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Caprock Canyons State Park To Unveil New Visitor Center

QUITAQUE, Texas - Caprock Canyons State Park will celebrate its 25th anniversary and the grand opening of its new \$1 million visitor center with a host of activities Oct. 19-20 at the park.

The public is invited to Saturday's celebration that starts at 9 a.m. with a Dutch oven cooking demonstration, driving tours of the park, children's activities and a buffalo hunter living history program. There will be a 2 p.m. ribbon cutting for the visitors center, followed by tours of the new facilities. Planning on the project began in 1999.

Drinks and food, including buffalo burgers, will be available at Saturday's daylong event. On Friday night, the park's friends group, Caprock Partners, is hosting a reception and live auction, starting at 7 p.m. Tickets are \$25 and are available at the park or the First National Bank of Quitaque.

The 4,400-square-foot Visitor Center is part of a major park project that also includes a new group meeting pavilion, adjacent bison viewing platform overlooking the Texas State Bison Herd pasture, wayside signage, a parking lot and 24-hour restrooms. Exhibits to be installed later inside and outside the Visitors Center will interpret outstanding park features.

The visitor center also includes a State Park Store, storage space, lobby and registration area and park administrative offices. In addition, the project includes a park map, interpretive panels on bison conservation at the overlook and panels offering in-depth interpretation of park geology, selected park areas and various trails.

"The informative exhibits are being designed to create a concise and cohesive interpretive narrative about the cultural and natural resources of the state park, the Southern Plains Bison Herd and Caprock Canyons Trailway," said park superintendent Deanna Oberheu. "A new sidewalk connects the center to the bison overlook, where we've installed telescopes to spot the Texas State Bison Herd in its native habitat."

Caprock Canyons State Park features more than 14,000 acres of rugged but picturesque redrock canyonlands carved by tributaries of the Red River at the doorstep of the Texas Panhandle's High Plains. Highlights include Lake Theo, 29 miles of trails, scenic campgrounds, a 64-mile trailway along an old railroad right of way that runs from Estelline to South Plains and surviving remnants of the only genetically pure herd of the Southern Plains bison descended from stock once owned by legendary Panhandle ranchers Charles and Mary Ann Goodnight.

Funding for the Visitor Center came from a variety of sources. This includes a significant donation from Buffalo Funds, a mutual fund family managed by Kornitzer Capital Management of Kansas, in partnership with the Texas Parks and Wildlife Foundation. Other monies came from Connolly Development Bonds, plus a federal highway grant from the Texas Department of Transportation.

For more information about the celebration, call the park at (806) 455-1492.

Turkey Jamboree Coming Next Saturday

By RJ Kalafus

The fall season of the Turkey Jamboree will begin on Saturday, October 6th, with a tremendous trio of entertainers coming to the historic Gem Theater in beautiful downtown Turkey.

Leading off the show will be the mother and daughter fiddle-and-vocal team of Jamie and Kelsey Timmons of Guthrie. They will be accompanied by Joel Brownlee, also of Guthrie. Jamie and Kelsey are previous Jamboree winners.

Following them will be the Country Road 240 Band, from Paducah. A group of teenagers, they are pure country, and come highly recommended.

Closing the competition will be Bob Parker and Young at Heart, from Amarillo. They are a talented group who have played the Jamboree before, and will be sure to please the fans.

Last month's Jamboree was the best attended yet, and all left satisfied and well fed. The talent winners were Jimmy and Les Adams. The \$100 cash prize was donated by Billy Ray Hardcastle, and the Turkey Womens Club. A door prize of \$25 was donated by the Caprock-Spur Telephone Co-op.

This month, there will be another great meal, to start the night. A brisket and fixings dinner and dessert will benefit the Hall County Historical Committee. The dinner will be \$5, and serving begins at 6PM.

Come early and stay late. There will be a talent showcase, open to all who want to show their talent before an audience. If you are interested, contact Marie Cruse or Tommy Jo Cruse at the show and they will accommodate you. This show is always family friendly, so bring everyone along for 3 hours of great country music. The music starts at 7 PM. See you there!

Be Ready! September Is National Preparedness Month

Would you be ready if there were an emergency? Be prepared: assemble an emergency supply kit, make your emergency plans, stay informed, and be involved in helping your family, your business, and your community to be ready.

Throughout September there has been activities across the country to promote emergency preparedness. Over 1,300 organizations, national, regional, and local public and private organizations, including the Quitaque, Turkey, and Flomot Emergency Services, are supporting emergency preparedness efforts and encouraging all Americans to take action.

You can join the effort by following 3 steps:

- Get an Emergency Kit - An emergency kit includes the basics for survival: fresh water, food, clean air, and warmth. You should have enough supplies to survive for at least three days.

- Make an Emergency Plan - Make plans with your family and friends in case you're not together during an emergency. Discuss how you'll contact each other, where you'll meet, and what you'll do in different situations.

- Be Informed-Being prepared means staying informed. Check all types of media - Web sites, newspapers, radio, tv, mobile and land phones - for global, national and local information. During an emergency, your local Emergency Management or Emergency Services office will give you information on such things as open shelters and evacuation orders.

September 2007 marks the fourth annual National Preparedness Month, sponsored by the US Department of Homeland Security. One goal of Homeland Security is to educate the public about how to prepare for emergencies, including natural disasters, mass casualties, biological and chemical threats, radiation emergencies, and terrorist attacks.

What Would You Include In Your Basic Emergency Supply Kit?

When preparing for a possible emergency situation, it's best to think first about the basics of survival: fresh water, food, clean air and warmth.

Recommended Items to Include in a Basic Emergency Supply Kit:

- * Water, one gallon of water per person per day for at least three days, for drinking and sanitation

- * Food, at least a three-day supply of non-perishable food
- * Battery-powered or hand crank radio and a NOAA Weather Radio with tone alert and extra batteries for both

- * Flashlight and extra batteries

- * First aid kit

- * Whistle to signal for help

- * Dust mask, to help filter contaminated air and plastic sheeting and duct tape to shelter-in-place

- * Moist towelettes, garbage bags and plastic ties for personal sanitation

- * Wrench or pliers to turn off utilities

- * Can opener for food (if kit contains canned food)

- * Local maps

Additional Items to Consider Adding to an Emergency Supply Kit:

- * Prescription medications and glasses

- * Infant formula and diapers

- * Pet food and extra water for your pet

- * Important family documents such as copies of insurance policies, identification and bank account records in a waterproof, portable container

- * Cash or traveler's checks and change

- * Sleeping bag or warm blanket for each person. Consider additional bedding if you live in a cold-weather climate.

- * Complete change of clothing including a long sleeved shirt, long pants and sturdy shoes. Consider additional clothing if you live in a cold-weather climate.

- * Household chlorine bleach and medicine dropper - When diluted nine parts water to one part bleach, bleach can be used as a disinfectant. Or in an emergency, you can use it to treat water by using 16 drops of regular household liquid bleach per gallon of water. Do not use scented, color safe or bleaches with added cleaners.

- * Fire Extinguisher

- * Matches in a waterproof container

- * Mess kits, paper cups, plates and plastic utensils, paper towels

- * Paper and pencil

- * Books, games, puzzles or other activities for children

Information Provided By Quitaque, Silverton Turkey & Flomot Emergency Services

What's Happening In The Valley Area This Week?

September 27

- * Turkey EDC meeting @ 7 p.m.
- * Drivers License office open at Briscoe Co Courthouse today 9:30 a.m. - 3 p.m.
- * Valley Patriots Jv vs Meadow, there @ 6:30 p.m.
- * Valley Jr High vs Meadow, there @ 5 p.m.

September 28

- * Valley Patriots vs Meadow, here @ 7:30 p.m.

October 1

- * Quitaque Lions Club meeting @ 7 p.m.

October 2

- * Quitaque Masonic Lodge meeting @ 7 p.m.
- * Turkey Volunteer Fire Department meeting @ 7:30 p.m.
- * Do Gooders Club meeting

October 4

- * Highway 70 Association meeting @ 7 p.m.
- It Is FREE To Add Your Events To This Calendar
Deadline Is Noon Tuesdays
To Add Your Event Call: 806-455-1101 or email:vtaylor@caprock-spur.com

Lady, Hall County K-9, Finds 163 Lbs Of Marijuana In Truck On Hwy 287

On Friday, at 7:15 p.m., DPS troopers stopped a semi-trailer for a traffic violation west of Childress on U.S. 287.

After observing multiple indicators of criminal activity, troopers became suspicious of the driver and asked him for consent to search his vehicle.

The driver, Robert J Lockhart, 34, of Jackson, Miss., refused to consent to a search of his trailer. Troopers then contacted Tom Heck, Hall County Chief Deputy and requested that he bring his K-9 to do a free air search of the truck.

Heck conducted a search with Lady, the Hall County K-9. Lady indicated that there were narcotics in the trailer of the truck.

Upon searching the trailer, eight bundles of marijuana were found weighing approximately 163 pounds. The marijuana has an estimated street value of \$84,200. The marijuana was believed to have originated in California and was headed to Alabama.

Lockhart was booked into the Childress County Jail.



Make A Family Emergency Plan

Your family may not be together when disaster strikes, so it is important to plan in advance: how you will contact one another; how you will get back together; and what you will do in different situations.

Family Emergency Plan:

- * It may be easier to make a long-distance phone call than to call across town, so an out-of-town contact may be in a better position to communicate among separated family members.

- * Be sure every member of your family knows the phone number and has coins or a prepaid phone card to call the emergency contact.

- * You may have trouble getting through, or the telephone system may be down altogether, but be patient.

Emergency Information:

Find out what kinds of disasters, both natural and man-made, are most likely to occur in your area and how you will be notified. Methods of getting your attention vary from community to community. One common method is to broadcast via emergency radio and TV broadcasts. You might hear a special siren, or get a telephone call, or emergency workers may go door-to-door.

Emergency Plans:

You may also want to inquire about emergency plans at places where your family spends time: work, daycare and school. If no plans exist, consider volunteering to help create one. Talk to your neighbors about how you can work together in the event of an emergency. You will be better prepared to safely reunite your family and loved ones during an emergency if you think ahead and communicate with others in advance.

Reunion of Turkey High School Class of 1957

By Jo Beth Smith

The old Lumber Yard Lodge was the setting for the 1957 reunion of class members, spouses, and friends, who met on Saturday, September 22, 2007 for a very enjoyable day.

Everyone shared lunch of Mexican Stack and the afternoon was filled with lots of stories, laughter, teasing and jokes, recalling memories of Turkey High School.

Classmates attending were: Keith Green and wife, Bettie of Turkey, TX; Claudia (Lane) Hawkins and husband Homer of Turkey, TX; Ruby Jo (Smith) Lacy and husband J.W. of Slaton, TX; Donna (Lane) Proctor and husband, William of Amarillo, TX; Phyllis (King) Geissler of Earth, TX; Ruth (Chadwick) Perser and husband, Weldon of Lubbock, TX; Betty (Chandler) Hawkins and husband Jimmy of Forney, TX; Peggy (Smith) Orsak and husband, Joe of Bridgeport, TX; Lavon Gafford of Amarillo, TX; Mary Ann (Couch) Carlisle and husband Marv of Silverton, TX; Van Allen Collins and wife, Barbara of Canyon, TX; Jo Beth (Lusk) Smith of Lubbock, TX; also attending, Paulette (Meacham) Lipscomb, of Turkey, TX, wife of deceased classmate James Lipscomb.

Friends who came by were one of our special parents, Iona Lane of Turkey, TX. Others were Sandy Fuston, Dewayne Proctor, Betty Jean Williams, Gelene Proctor, Vivian and Chloe Smith, all from Turkey, TX and Vivian's nieces, Courtney and Ashley Ketchersid (cousins) from Abilene Christian University.

An ivy plant was placed on the serving table in memory of Ann (Mullin) Powell, Jay Mullin, bobby Phillips, Navarre Bain, Jimmy Brice, Jo Beth (Joby Smith) Chandler, Jimmy Doyle Dunn, Sharon (McGee) Grout and James Lipscomb.

We enjoyed being in Turkey, Texas again. It is a wonderful place to be with great people of this community.

Thank you to our parents, teachers and others who are good examples for us.

Turkey Senior Citizens News

The Turkey Sr. Citizens met Tuesday evening with 14 members present and two nurses from Accolade Home Care who did blood pressure checks, cholesterol, and blood sugar tests. A representative will be back in 4 weeks. G. P. Driskill 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 October 2nd 7th. If you are a senior, come and join us for some food! fun! and fellowship!

Always be nice to those younger than you, because they are the ones who will be writing about you.

- Cyril Connolly

Monk Elected Second Vice Chairman of ASTA

Congratulations to Jerry Monk, who was recently elected Second Vice Chairman of the American Seed Trade Association on June 26, 2007, at ASTA's Annual Convention in Broomfield, Colorado.

Jerry is a 35-year veteran of the seed industry and has guided operations domestically and internationally with wideranging experience that reaches from production to management.

Currently the president of the Texas-based Warner Seeds and Kelly Green Seeds, Monk also heads Kelly Green Mexicana and the U.S. operations for Semillas Conlee Mexicana, based in Guadalajara, Mexico, as well as Warner S. de RL in Matamoros, Mexico.

Monk began his Kelly Green Seeds career at age 17 and later moved into a managerial position. After buying the Company in 1982, he began exploring in the Mexican agricultural market, and in 1994, as a result of these efforts, he acquired an ownership interest in Semillas Conlee Mexicana.

Monk deepened his participation in Hybrid Corn and Hybrid Grain Sorghum business with the acquisition of George Warner Seed Company in 1999. Two years later, he expanded into Northern Mexico with Matamoros-based Semillas W.A.C.

Monk has served as President of the TSTA, the Southern Seed Association. Jerry and his wife Pam reside in Farwell, Texas. They have three grown children, and three grand daughters.

2007 Texas Pumpkins On Their Way to Market

Growers in Texas' largest pumpkin patch haven't yet sited the Great Pumpkin, but they haven't had much time to look for him. They are busy harvesting, processing and shipping a bountiful crop of decorative squash to wholesale and retail outlets.

"The 2007 crop is ample - yields are up and quality is good," said J.D. Ragland, Texas Cooperative Extension agriculture agent in Floyd County, the state's No. 1 pumpkin-producing county. "We're harvesting from about 900 acres this year. Timely rains and a cooler-than-normal growing season have pushed yields to 25,000 to 27,000 pounds per acre, up a bit from the 20,000-pound average we normally see.

"The quality of this year's crop is good across the board, from pie/baking pumpkins to jack-o-lanterns to miniature ornamentals to the huge Big Mac varieties. We'll be harvesting and shipping pumpkins into October, to wholesale and retail outlets across the country and statewide. Most of our crop goes east to the larger metropolitan areas in Texas, but we have one grower whose sales have reached as far as Japan."

Ragland reminds consumers to remember these qualities when selecting their 2007 harvest season pumpkins: look for uniform shape and bright color, and a long, fat stem.

"We're also gearing up for our annual Punkin Day on Oct. 13 - the second Saturday in October," Ragland said. "We celebrate the crop with a community harvest fair that features a parade, contests and other fun events."

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Turkey Lions Club's Annual Mop & Broom Sale

Tuesday, October 2

In Front of Turkey Automotive

Letters To The Editor



To The Editor,
Mrs. Taylor, enclosed in my check for renewal of Tribune. I really enjoy reading the paper. Even though I have been gone from Quitaque since 1958. I still remember lots of people I read about, even in Turkey, Flomot and Matador and Silverton. I have been reading about the new streets and sidewalks. Looking forward to my next trip (home).
When I moved to Weatherford it was about 12,000 pop. Now it has grown to 30,000. Its a good thing I live out in country or I would be looking for another place to live. There is a lot to be said about small towns so hang in there and enjoy what you have.
Regards,
Kenneth "Boss" Hamilton
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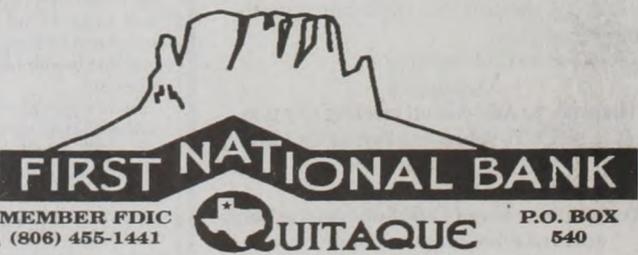
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FLOMOT NEWS

By Earlyne Jameson

OVERHEARD

The trouble being a good sport is that you have to lose to prove it!

Attend Navy Reunion

Mrs. Tommie Jo Cruse attended the annual reunion of Veterans who served in the U.S. Navy, Standing Landing Craft Unit 36 of Boat Pool Baker during Worked War II, September 20-23.

Her husband, the late Ray Cruse served with this unit in the U.S. Navy. She joined friends from throughout the Untied States at the Best Western Hotel in Siloam Springs, Arkansas for a weekend of entertainment and renewing friendships. They toured attractions in Arkansas and Oklahoma.

Mrs. Cally Sperry, Savannah, Blayne, Gage and Cash visited in Lubbock Saturday with her grandmother, Mrs. Sue Pool. Other visitors were her father, Ken Pool of Dougherty and brother, Kip Pool of Lubbock.

Lance Barclay of Lubbock is visiting this week with his parents, Sandra and Jerry Barclay.

Mrs. Kellye Payne of Quitaque and Mrs. Janice Hughes attended a business meeting in Amarillo, Thursday.

Jack and Nada Starkey were in Amarillo Wednesday and Thursday for Nada medical appointments. They visited overnight Wednesday in Canyon with son and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Michael Starkey.

Mrs. Christi Milam, Emily and Haley of Petersburg attended the Flomot Baptist Church services Sunday morning and were luncheon guests of her parents, Kathy and Clois Shorter. Other guests were Mrs. Geneva Martin and Everett Shorter of Flomot.

Visiting during the weekend with Mrs. Erma Washington and helping brand cows and calves were Tim and Dena Washington of Roaring Springs, Cara Franks, Connie and Coy Franks of Flomot and their houseguests, Amy, Cory, Madison and Hudson Franks and Anissa Huckert of Lubbock and Cary Franks of Idalou.

Mrs. Anna Beth Clay visited in Panhandle Wednesday and was a luncheon guests of her granddaughter, Sara Clay, a 5th grade student at the observance of Grandparents Day at the Panhandle elementary school.

Gwen and Tim Mandrell and daughter, Peyton of Lubbock were weekend visitors of her parents, Mary Jo and Doyle Calvert and brother, Glen Calvert.

ON THE QT

By Patsy Herrington

Walter and Kay Skinner and daughter, Alexandra, went on a recent trip to Carlsbad, New Mexico to visit daughter Lacy and Rusty Herrell. They met their cousins Earl and Shannon Jones of Hagerman New Mexico, and went on to Lincoln where they saw Billy the Kid's grave and mementos, beautiful old churches and missions, and did a lot of shopping. They report a very good time.

The Support Group for the terminally ill and also caregivers support group has Kay Skinner going for training representing the American Cancer Society. Only an RN or certified social worker is qualified to take this training and teach in the spring. Kay hopes to come back and teach in our community.

The Brummett reunion will be held October 6 at Nolan and Sharon Kell's home. There will be a big family meal and a big auction of homemade goodies. People from all parts of Texas, Oklahoma and even Arizona plan to attend this big event!

Jan Brummett and her Aunt Mary Edwards of Turkey have been attending the American Institute for oil painting classes in Amarillo.

Eunice McFall goes to see her husband, Sid, at the Childress Health Care Center each Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday. She says he is doing well.

Jill Johnson is back from 10 days at Cripple Creek, Colorado where she has been visiting her brother John Lynn Johnson and wife, Janet. She reports a good time visiting, eating at unique places, and shopping.

Old neighbors of Sammie and Delos Johnson of twenty-seven years ago, Jim and Betty Jaynes, visited them recently. They were neighbors in Arlington, Texas.

Quail hunters from Austin, Texas recently phoned Patsy Herrington about a trip here in November. Bill Wilson also phoned about a quail hunting trip in December. He has been coming to Quitaque hunting from Covington, Virginia for sixteen years. He usually brings his dogs and several guys with him.

Randy and Linda Stark were recent hosts to a "42 Party" held in their home. Among those present were Duke and Mary Woods (bringing a guest couple from out of town), Sammie Johnson, Linda Whittington, Buster and Ann Chadwick, Walt and Ann Irwin, Ruby Mae Woods, and Ruby King. Ruby will soon be 97 years young, and has a sharp mind and agile body.

Karol Pigg and crew have been quite busy lately preparing corsages for Homecoming last weekend and what delectable corsages they were! I have never seen such gorgeous creations that they put out this year. I do believe that they get more outstanding and prettier every year! They are simply works of art.

Autumn is my favorite time of the year. Sometime take a walking or riding tour of our area. Take in the sights of the beautiful, luscious cotton fields, the hay bales and sunflowers with the magnificent view of the caprock in the background. The views have never been better.

The most aggravating thing about the younger generation is that I no longer belong to it.

- Albert Einstein

Youth is the best time to be rich, and the best time to be poor.

- Euripides

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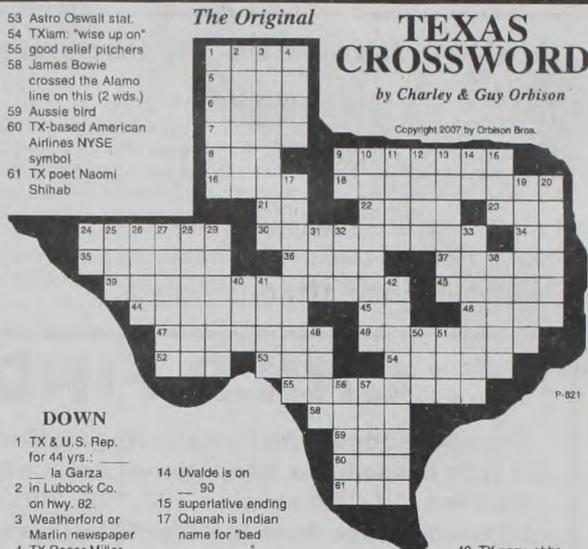
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- Wichita Falls rock band "Brothers"
- European currency
- UT teacher rank
- Lucas drilled "Spindletop" well
- boot smell
- "horned frog" unlv.
- freezes
- Jimmie Rodgers TX song (3 wds.)
- TXism: "dot the i's and cross the"
- TXism: "I can dance luna"
- ear piercing place
- Rio Grande birds: chacha
- ex-Mav Tarpley played for this USBL team (2 wds.)
- song of grief
- TXism: "light as a feather"
- best little puzzle in Texas (abbr.)
- illegal money
- TXism: "he couldn't get fiddler general of Texas"
- TXism for "nightfall"
- TX Janis Joplin's "I Got Ol' Kozmic Blues Again, Mama"

The Original

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- In Lubbock Co. on hwy. 82
- Weatherford or Marlin newspaper
- TX Roger Miller sang "Trailer for ___ or rent ..."
- TX actress Suzy (init.)
- The Cowboy line on pass plays Romo
- TX-filmed "Two Together"
- TXism: "active as ___ in a hen house"
- this TX Hines built TX Gallerias
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- superlative ending
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- TX rancher Chuck Norris '80 film, with "The"
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Blue Bunny Assorted 10-12 Count

Ice Cream Sandwichs.....\$3⁹⁹

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Corn on Cob.....4 ears.....2 for \$4⁰⁰

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Cottage Cheese...12 oz.....2 for \$4⁰⁰

Assorted Golden Layers or Homestyle

Pillsbury Biscuits...12 oz.....\$1²⁵

Homestyle Spread

Blue Bonnet...48 oz.....2 for \$4⁰⁰

Shurfine 6 Roll Package

Paper Towels.....\$2⁹⁹

Foca or Roma 70.5 oz

Laundry Detergent.....2 for \$4⁰⁰

Western Family Extra Strength

Acetaminophen...100 Caplets.....\$2⁴⁹

Western Family Loratadine

Allergy Relief...10 Ct.....\$2⁹⁹

Western Family Antibiotic Plus Pain Relief 0.5 oz

Clotrimazole Cream.....2 for \$6⁰⁰

Western Family 100 Ct Chlor Tabs or

Complete Allergy.. 24 ct.....2 for \$4⁰⁰

Western Family Cool Ice

Cold Relief PE...24 ct.....2 for \$6⁰⁰

Western Family

Epsom Salt...4 lbs.....2 for \$4⁰⁰

Western Family Super Angle

Toothbrush...each.....59¢

Western Family Assorted

Toothpaste...6.4-8.2 oz.....2 for \$3⁰⁰

Just Lettuce, Classic, Romaine or Classic Greener Selection

Dole Salad...10-12 oz.....99¢

Salad Size

Cucumbers.....3 for \$1⁰⁰

Peeled

Baby Carrots...1 lb.....99¢

Fresh Bunch

Green Onions.....2 for \$1⁰⁰

Spicy

Jalapeno Peppers...1 lb.....89¢

White Whole

Mushrooms...8 oz.....2 for \$3⁰⁰

New Crop Northwest

Green Pears...1 lb.....99¢

Pilgrim's Pride Small Pack

Leg Quarters...1 lb.....79¢

Fresh Boston Butt

Pork Roast...1 lb.....\$1¹⁹

Family Pack Meaty Shoulder Country Style

Pork Ribs...1 lb.....\$1²⁹

Fresh

Pork Steak...1 lb.....\$1⁴⁹

SeaBest Breaded Butterfly

Jumbo Shrimp...10 oz.....\$2⁶⁹

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Sliced Bacon...12 oz.....2 for \$4⁰⁰

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Valley School Lunch Menu

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Monday, October 1

Breakfast: Cereal, Toast, Jelly, OJ/Milk
Lunch: Lasagne, Salad, Pears, Garlic Bread, Milk

Tuesday, October 2

Breakfast: Breakfast Hot Pocket, OJ/Milk
Lunch: Chicken Noodle Soup, Cheese Toast, Peaches, Hot Rolls, Milk

Wednesday, October 3

Breakfast: Breakfast on a Stick, OJ/Milk
Lunch: Hamburger Steak & Brown Gravy, Mashed Potatoes, Green Beans, Biscuits, Milk

Thursday, October 4

Breakfast: Biscuits, Sausage, Jelly, OJ/Milk
Lunch: Frito Chili Pie, Kosher Dills, Apricots, Milk

Friday, October 5

Breakfast: Donuts, OJ/Milk
Lunch: Pig in a Blankets, Tator Tots, Pineapple & Mandarin Oranges, Milk



"Have a Great Week!"
 THE LUNCHROOM LADIES
 Menu Subject To Change



Patriots Overwhelm the Owls

By Susan Ramsey

The 2007 Homecoming game this year also featured the annual Briscoe County Showdown: The Valley/Silverton game. This year's contest turned out to be somewhat one-sided, as the game ended early in the third quarter with the Patriots claiming a 49-0 victory.

Valley was led by the rushing performance of Jacob Hancock. Jacob had 13 rushes for 148 yards and five touchdowns. Justin Rucker also had a nice game for Valley with six carries for 50 yards and two touchdowns. Cole Brown had the passing game going too, as he connected on four of seven passes for 105 yards and one touchdown.

Defensively, Valley had one of its best games of the year by shutting out the Owls and holding them to just two first downs on the night. Roger Ramos led all tacklers with nine stops. Jacob Hancock and Armando Mendoza were right behind him with seven tackles a piece. Luke Shannon and Justin Rucker had six tackles each, and both of these guys each had an interception, too. Others notching tackles for the defense were Brady Ramsey with five and Cole Brown with four tackles. Way to go, guys!

Valley will take on the Meadow Broncos this Friday night at home. Meadow comes in ranked #5 in the state and will be a tough test for the Patriots. Everyone come out and cheer our team on to victory.

Valley J.H. Defeats Silverton

By Susan Ramsey

The Junior High traveled to Silverton last Thursday and came away with a big 38-6 win. Valley was led by Adan Alanis, who had three rushing touchdowns for the game. Valley also had one touchdown through the air, which came on the last play of the first half, when Ricky Mendoza connected with Jose Valdez for the score.

The fourth quarter saw the seventh graders get in on the action, and they added two touchdowns of their own. Carson Proctor and Kameron Buchanan each had a rushing touchdown to close out the scoring for the Patriots. Great job, Patriots!

The Valley Junior High will next be in action this Thursday at Meadow. Game time is 5:30.

Apple Juice Lower Wheezing & Asthma Risk in Children

Newswise - The latest study finds that when women ate apples during pregnancy, researchers found a significant decrease in asthma and wheezing among their children when the children were followed over five years and reached five years of age.

A similar but different study published June 2007 also showed a link between apple juice consumption and a reduction in wheezing among children. That study was published in June's European Respiratory Journal.

Among children who experienced what was characterized as "current wheeze" (where the child had wheezing or whistling in the chest in the last 12 months), there was a significant, dose response association between consumption of apple juice and a reduced incidence of the wheezing. The researchers found that drinking apple juice made from concentrate and consumption of bananas one or more times a day (compared to drinking apple juice or eating bananas less than once a month) was directly associated with improvement of wheezing occurrences.

Valley J.V. Falls To Patton Springs

By Susan Ramsey

The J.V. took on the Patton Springs varsity last Thursday, and ended up on the short end of a 44-26 final. The boys hung tough for most of the game, at one point pulling within six points of the Ranger. However, the bigger Patton Springs team wore them down in the end.

Grant Wheeler led the way for Valley with two touchdowns. One on a 23 yard run and the other on a nice pass form Landon Allen. Chisum Shannon also notched one touchdown on a long run just after half. Valley's other touchdown came on a Grant Wheeler to Landon Allen pass play.

While the Patriots did come out on the losing end, they gave the Rangers all they wanted for four quarters. These guys will next be in action this Thursday in Meadow, where they will play immediately following the junior high game, which begins at 5:30. Good luck, guys!

CHILD FIND

In accordance with Federal Regulations, Individuals with Disabilities Educational Act, Child Find Identification (34 CFR section 300.125, 300.451), this is notification that there is a Child Find system for identifying, locating and evaluating all children with disabilities (from birth through age 21) residing in the district, including children with disabilities attending private schools, regardless of the severity of their disabilities, and who are in need of special education and related services.

For more information, contact your school district.

Valley Patriot Football 2007



Valley Patriot Varsity Schedule

Date	Opponent	Place	Time
Sep 28	Meadow	Home	7:30
Oct 5	Happy	Away	7:30
Oct 12	*Crowell	Away	7:30
Oct 19	*Chillicothe	Home	7:30
Oct 26	OPEN		
Nov 2	*Hedley	Away	7:30
Nov 9	*Paducah	Home	7:30

* District Games
 * Homecoming Game

Valley School Superintendent:

Jerry Smith

Valley School Principal:

Jon Davidson

Valley Head Coach:

Bret Tyler

Valley Asst. Coaches:

Craig Hamilton, Greg Ramsey, Stuart Smith



Valley Patriot JV Schedule

Date	Opponent	Place	Time
Sep 27	Meadow	Away	6:30
Oct 4	Happy	Home	6:30
Oct 11	Crowell	Home	6:30
Oct 18	Petersburg	Away	6:30
Oct 25	Samnorwood	Home	6:30
Nov 1	Hedley	Home	6:30
Nov 8	Paducah	Away	6:30

Valley Patriot JR. High Schedule

Date	Opponent	Place	Time
Sep 27	Meadow	Away	5:00
Oct 4	Happy	Home	5:00
Oct 11	Crowell	Home	5:00
Oct 18	Chillicothe	Away	5:00
Oct 25	Motley Co.	Away	5:00
Nov 1	Hedley	Home	5:00
Nov 8	Paducah	Away	5:00

Coaches: Greg Ramsey, Stuart Smith

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 271-3344

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 455-1105

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 423-1155

Valley Peanut
 Growers, Inc.
 423-1484

Lavy Pumps
 823-2061

Thacker Jewelry
 348-7546

Silverton Oil
 Company, Inc.
 823-2451

Merrell Food
 455-1282

Galvan's Restaurant
 423-1320

Jack's Automotive
 455-1243 &
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 423-1366

Turkey Branch
 Memphis State Bank
 Member FDIC
 423-1321

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 & Service
 348-7958

Thayer & Washington
 CPA's
 455-1087 or 347-2636

Griffin Oil
 Company
 455-1250

Lighthouse Electric
 Cooperative Inc.
 1-800-657-7192

City of Quitaque
 455-1456

Lacy Dry Goods
 423-1155

Karol's Kountry
 Korner
 455-1174

Caprock Telephone
 Cooperative, Inc.
 1-800-692-4242

Laura's Shop
 423-1222

Caprock Cafe
 455-1429

Lee's Insurance
 423-1020

City of Turkey
 423-1033

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 806-983-4924

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 455-1441

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 1-800-783-3607

Caprock Home
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 455-1193

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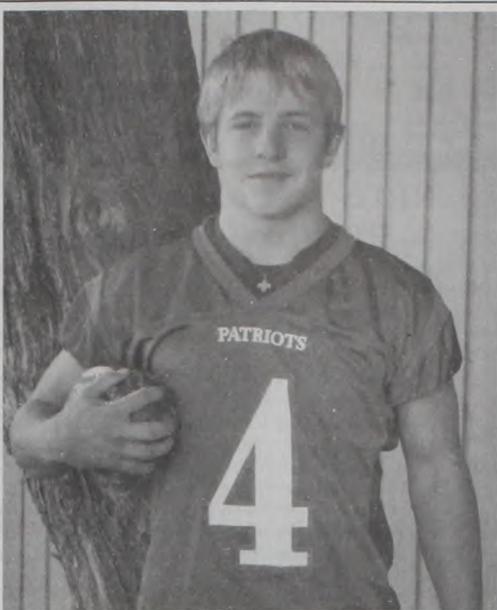
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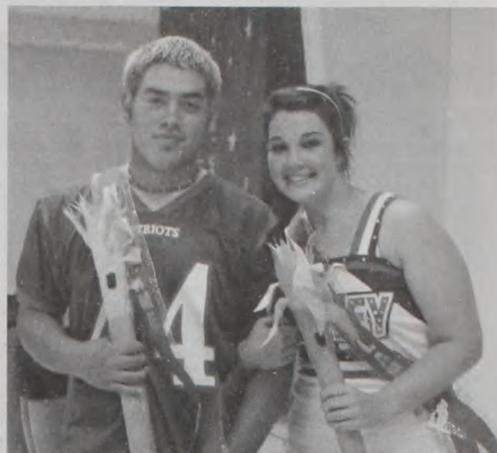
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Valley 2007 Homecoming Queen Savannah Smith



Valley 2007 Pep Squad Hero Justin Rucker



Valley 2007 Mr & Miss Flame Roger Ramos & Savannah Smith

"Let's Murder Marsha" to be performed at Clarendon College

The Clarendon College Theatre Department is please to announce the opening of "Let's Murder Marsha."

Performances dates are set for Friday, November 16, and Saturday, November 17, at 8 p.m. and a matinee on Sunday, November 18, at 2:30 p.m. in the Harned Sister Fine Arts Center Auditorium.

The cast includes Montana Riley of Wellington, Jaci Copelin of Hedley, Jacob Thornton of Clarendon, Carrie Thompson of McLean, Mark Edgerton of Childress, Tamara Loya of McLean, and Harrell Conners of McLean. Understudies are Katrina Richards of Hedley and Rodrick Johnson of Galveston.

Admission is \$5 for adults, \$3 for students, and free to all Clarendon College Board of Regents, administration, faculty, staff, students and high school theatre groups.

"Let's Murder Marsha" is being performed in an arena format, therefore seating is limited to 90 people per performance. If you are coming in a group of more than 7, please call 874-4838 for reserved seating. Walk-ins will be seated on a first-come-first-served basis. No one will be seated after opening curtain until intermission.

"Let's Murder Marsha" is a comedy in three acts written by Monk Ferris, produced with special arrangement with Samuel French.

Cell Phone Users Experience Phantom Ringing; Suffer From Ringxiety

Newswise — A new study found that two thirds of the people surveyed, reported hearing their phone ring or feeling it vibrate when it had not actually rung. The phenomenon has been termed "ringxiety."

The more frequently a person uses their phone, the more often they reported hearing a phantom ring, the study found. These participants (67% of the people surveyed) had higher monthly charges, used more minutes, sent more text messages, and showed higher levels of impulsivity. They were also younger. (participants ranged in age from 18 to 86).

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING TO DISCUSS TURKEY-QUITAQUE CISD'S STATE FINANCIAL ACCOUNTABILITY RATING

TURKEY-QUITAQUE CISD will hold a public meeting Monday, October 8, 2007 at 8:00 p.m. at Valley School.

The purpose of this meeting is to discuss Turkey-Quitaque CISD's rating on the state's financial accountability system

1/2 Beef Give-A-Way VALLEY BOOSTER CLUB

Drawing November 9th

Tickets: \$5 each or 5 for \$20
Get yours at the First National Bank of Quitaque, any Valley Patriot Football game or from any Booster Club member

Tom, Teresa and family would like to congratulate Kellan Roberts on being accepted into the Texas Department of Public Safety Law Enforcement Training Academy. Kellan attended and graduated from Valley School in 2004. He then attended and graduated from Texas State Technical College with Deans and Presidents list honors in April of 2007. Kellan will start his training in the D.P.S. Academy on October 1, 2007 and will be in Austin Texas for the next six months. We are all very proud of Kellan and of everything he has accomplished in his life. We know he will put forth every effort to do his best in this endeavor and continue to make us proud.

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GOD'S LOVE LIGHTS THE FIRE IN THE COLORS OF AUTUMN

By light of the departing sun we find
The heat of summer days is left behind,
And frosty nights allow us to behold
The leaves arrayed in flaming red and gold
Before their brilliant colors turn to brown,
And then, detached by wind come drifting down;
Till every branch is stripped completely bare,
And pungent smoke of bonfires fills the air.
It's harvest time in every farmer's field,
When crops that feed our nation with their yield
Are gathered from the ground and off the vine,
According to the heavenly design.
Whatever House of Worship you attend,
The lessons there will help you comprehend
This season that the love of God has planned,
When autumn's blazing colors paint the land.
— Gloria Nowak



MT. OLIVE BAPTIST CHURCH
Turkey, Texas
Pastor: Samuel Holloway,
Plainview, Texas
Pastoral Days: 1st & 3rd Sundays
MONDAY
Mission.....4:00 a.m.
WEDNESDAY
Prayer Meeting.....8:00 p.m.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
Turkey, Texas
Pastor: Melvin Clinton
SUNDAY
Sunday School.....9:45 a.m.
Morning Worship.....11:00 a.m.
Singing.....5:00 p.m.
Training Union.....6:00 p.m.
Evening Worship.....6:00 p.m.
MONDAY
Women's Missionary Society.....4:00 p.m.
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Prayer Meeting.....8:00 p.m.

River of God Fellowship
Silverton, Texas
SUNDAY
Worship & Praise.....10:00 a.m.
Bible Study.....9 a.m.

CHURCH OF CHRIST
Turkey, Texas
Minister: Stuart Smith
SUNDAY
Morning Worship.....10:30 a.m.
Evening Worship.....5:00 p.m.
WEDNESDAY
Evening Service.....7:00 p.m.

Juan Diego Catholic Center
Quitaque, Texas
Deacon Pedro Juarez
SUNDAY
Mass.....11:00 a.m.
MONDAY
Holy Hour.....6:00 p.m.
Bible Study.....7:00 p.m.

MACEDONIA BAPTIST CHURCH
Quitaque, Texas
Pastor: Willie J. Windom
SUNDAY
Sunday School.....10:00 a.m.
Morning Worship.....11:00 a.m.

Gospel Lighthouse Church
Silverton, Texas
Rev. Joyce Greer Cooper
SATURDAY
Worship.....10:00 a.m.

FAIRMONT MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH
Fairmont, Texas
Pastor: Arnie Smith
SUNDAY
Worship.....11:00 a.m.

CHURCH OF CHRIST
Flomot, Texas
SUNDAY
Worship.....10:30 a.m.

CHURCH OF CHRIST
Quitaque, Texas
Minister: Delos Johnson
SUNDAY
Morning Worship.....10:30 a.m.
Evening Worship.....5:00 p.m.
WEDNESDAY
Bible Study.....7:00 p.m.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
Quitaque, Texas
Pastor: John Dorn
SUNDAY
Morning Worship.....10:00 a.m.
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Agriculture News

Hello, Briscoe County. Texas Cooperative Extension has produced the "Cotton Harvest Aid Guide". This resource should be helpful to cotton producers as it details different chemicals and amounts for harvest aids. With most cotton running late this year, this publication should really be helpful. Copies of this publication are available in my office, in the basement of the courthouse.

A look ahead: Briscoe Agriculture Committee will be hosting series of Cow/Calf Producer Meetings. This series will be a combination of 3 meetings scheduled for Nov. 6-12 pm through 3 pm, Dec. 4-12 pm through 3 pm, and Jan. 8-12 pm through 3 pm. All of these dates are on a Tuesday. This series will be in depth education for the cow/calf producer dealing with nutrition/health, marketing, recordkeeping, and genetics. Dr. Ted McCollum, Texas Cooperative Extension Beef Cattle Specialists, will be the main speaker at each meeting. There will be a cost of \$30 for the entire series which will pay for lunch and cost associated with the meeting. Please RSVP before Nov. 1 to attend the series by calling the extension office or coming by the office.

4-H Happenings

Briscoe 4-H members have recently competed at the Tri-State Fair in Amarillo. On Sept. 19, Tanner Schott, Curtis Reed, and Matthew Maciel, Gunner Luckett, J. D. Schnitker, Walker Carson, Ryli Carson, and Tyler Cambell all competed in the 4-H Livestock Judging Contest at the Tri-State Fair. The junior team composed of Tyler, Walker, Gunner, and J.D. were awarded 2nd Place Team Overall. Curtis, Matthew, and Ryli placed 6th overall. Tanner competed in the senior division.

Bryce and Blaine Patton represented Briscoe 4-H in the Lamb Barn at Tri-State Fair. Blaine had a 4th place and an 8th place in the Fine Wool Cross category. Bryce exhibited one of the lambs for his younger brother. Blaine also had the Reserve Champion Southdown Lamb.

Brittany and Baylee Deckard exhibited goats at the South Plains Fair in Lubbock on Sept. 22. Brittany placed 11th with her Boer Goat in a class of 28.

Congratulations to all of the 4-H'ers who have represented Briscoe 4-H so well! We will have our first regular monthly meeting for the 2007-2008 4-H year on Oct. 8 beginning at 6 pm. We invite all youth and parents to come join the fun.

NRCS To Hold 2008 EQIP PDG/LWG Meetings

Texas Soil and Water Conservation Districts invite the public, and any agencies with interest, to participate in the agency's 2008 Program Development Group (PDG) meetings.

The purpose of the PDG's is to provide members of the community a forum for submitting recommendations on local issues and county based funding that can be addressed through the Environmental Quality Incentives Program (EQIP).

Local Soil and Water Conservation Districts (SWCD) conduct PDG meetings in partnership with USDA-Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS).

Each county in Texas holds the public meetings annually and meeting information will soon be posted on the Texas NRCS website (www.tx.nrcs.usda.gov). A partial list of PDG meetings already scheduled for the High Plains and South Plains regions is included in the table below.

2008 EQIP PDG Meeting Dates & Locations:

- Motley County - 10/9/07 at 8:00 AM in the USDA Service Center, Matador
- Cottle County - 10/11/07 at 9:00 AM in the USDA Service Center, Paducah
- Hall County - 10/9/07 at 9:00 AM in the 1st B&T Bronze Room, Memphis
- Floyd County - 10/9/07 at 9:00 AM in the USDA Service Center, Floydada
- Dickens County - 10/10/07 at 7:00 PM in the USDA Service Center, Spur
- Swisher County - 10/4/07 at 9:00 AM in the Swisher County Annex, Tulia
- Briscoe County - 10/11/07 at 5:00 PM in the City Bank (Pioneer Room), Silverton

**TDA Market Recap
September 24, 2007**

AUSTIN -The Texas Department of Agriculture market recap for the week ending September 22, 2007, shows that cash feeder cattle markets were steady to mostly lower with higher volumes of cattle coming off pastures. Finished cattle prices were higher as packers replenished inventories following two weeks of light purchases.

Cash grain and cotton markets finished the week higher with good demand and prospects for expanded exports driving the increases. As the dollar declined in value compared with other currencies, U.S. exports became cheaper and more attractive for foreign buyers. As for futures markets, feeder cattle futures closed the week lower while finished cattle, cotton, wheat, and corn were higher. Most of the state experienced warmer temperatures and scattered showers during the week. Corn harvest neared completion in the Blacklands and South Central Texas. Cotton harvest is underway in South Texas while additional warm days are needed to finish the crop on the High Plains. Pastures and livestock remain in good condition in most areas of the state.

	Week Ending		
Cash Markets:	09/22/2007	09/15/2007	09/23/2006
Feeder Steers(\$/cwt)	114.63	116.83	120.05
Finished Cattle(\$/cwt)	94.00	93.12	88.72
Slaughter Lambs (\$/cwt)	103.00	109.75	103.25
Slaughter Goats(\$/cwt)	107.50	118.50	104.25
Cotton (¢/lb)	59.25	56.75	49.50
Wheat (\$/bu)	7.82	7.53	4.34
Corn (\$/bu)	3.94	3.67	2.75
Grain Sorghum (\$/bu)	6.44	5.79	4.05
Watermelons(¢/lb)	18.0	17.0	14.0
Futures Markets:			
Feeder Cattle (\$/cwt)	116.40	116.83	
Finished Cattle (\$/cwt)	96.70	95.25	
Cotton (¢/lb)	63.48	60.92	
Wheat (\$/bu)	8.58	8.07	
Corn (\$/bu)	3.77	3.37	

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.

Talent is God given. Be humble. Fame is man-given. Be grateful. Conceit is self-given. Be careful.
- John Wooden

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

Senate Letter Notes Concern About Cotton Provisions Discussed By WTO Ag Negotiators

Significant concern about the proposed treatment of cotton, and specifically the singling out of the U.S. cotton industry for unique and differential treatment, in a WTO draft text released by Ambassador Crawford Falconer of New Zealand has spurred Republican Senator Saxby Chambliss of Georgia, ranking member of the Senate Agriculture Committee, to send a letter to the U.S. Trade Representative.

Chambliss' letter, addressed directly to USTR Ambassador Susan Schwab, was quickly endorsed by nine fellow Cotton State Senators and asked that the Bush Administration official work to prevent cotton from being unfairly targeted for treatment outside of the parameters being negotiated for other commodities within the Doha Round agricultural negotiation.

Joining Senator Chambliss on the letter were Senators Johnny Isakson (R-GA), Blanche Lincoln (D-AR), Mark Pryor (D-AR), Lindsey Graham, (R-NC), Thad Cochran (R-MS), Richard Burr (R-NC), David Vitter (R-LA), and Mary Landrieu (D-LA).

Also contacted, but notably absent from the letter, were Texas Senators Kay Bailey Hutchison and John Cornyn who represent the largest cotton producing state in the U.S. and one of the largest cotton producing regions in the world.

The Texas cotton industry has repeatedly expressed its concern to Senators Cornyn and Hutchison about the treatment of cotton since the start of the WTO Doha negotiations. That fact makes their failure to join the highest-ranking Republican member of the Senate Agriculture Committee in expressing concern about the situation extremely troubling.

"Agriculture is the second largest industry in Texas and cotton is the number one row-crop produced in this State," says Plains Cotton Growers Executive Vice President Steve Verett. "The potential for Texas cotton producers and allied industries to be negatively impacted by the cotton proposal put forth by Ambassador Falconer should be a top priority for all of our Congressional leaders."

Johanns Resignation Expected To Have Little Impact On Farm Bill Development Process

Last Thursday's resignation of Secretary of Agriculture Mike Johanns was met with little fanfare in farm country. The departure is expected to have little to no effect on the 2007 Farm Bill development process since it is unlikely that the Bush Administration's farm policy positions will change.

Figuring predominantly in his decision to make the move is Johanns' planned run for the Nebraska Senate seat currently held by Senator Chuck Hagel. Senator Hagel has announced that he will not seek re-election in 2008.

One of the primary reasons that little impact is expected to be felt in the farm bill development process was the simultaneous announcement by President George Bush that USDA Deputy Secretary Charles Conner was being named acting Secretary of Agriculture.

Prior to moving to his current post, Conner was a key developer of Bush Administration farm policy positions. Since moving to USDA, Conner has continued to be a primary force in the development and articulation of Bush Administration farm policy positions. Conner was the main Administration representative during the House farm bill debate.

Plains Cotton Growers Executive Vice President Steve Verett echoed that sentiment when asked for comment on Johanns' announcement.

"I see it as a total non-event," concluded Verett. He explained that since the House of Representatives has already passed its version of the 2007 Farm Bill and the Senate Agriculture Committee is expected to begin formal work on their own version within the next few weeks, there is little time for the Administration position on farm policy to change.

He notes that the favorable view a majority of agriculture holds regarding current U.S. farm programs was clearly demonstrated when the House Ag Committee voted unanimously to extend the safety net provisions of the current program. By focusing more effort into improving an already popular set of farm policy mechanisms, the HAC was able to agree on a broad set of improvements in other program areas such as conservation and improving support for the fruit and vegetable industry.

While Senate Ag Committee Chairman Tom Harkin floats new ideas almost daily, he has so far provided little concrete evidence of what his final recommendations might be heading into Committee mark-up. Despite the meandering course it is taking, however, the farm bill is inching closer to consideration in the Senate.

With a hodge-podge of possibilities for which way it will actually move, staying up to speed on the latest changes has been an exercise in diligence. The best information available right now indicates the most likely time frame for significant Senate action could be the third week of October. Things could move either before or after that time, but the September 30 expiration of the current bill seems to make this a likely target for Senate leaders.

An extension of spending authority for current programs beyond September 30 is planned to be included in a continuing resolution on the budget that will have to be done before the end of the current fiscal year.

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Margie Pinkerton

Texun Tawk

By Bill Sperry

Getting Older
Getting older, perhaps a little more grumpy, and maybe waxing philosophical some, I think of the long passage through the work-a-day world.

Starting out with big eyes, big hopes, and, perhaps lacking a better work, scared to death, as you know that you are at a big disadvantage being taught in a small school and coming from a small town. You have to sit down and have a long talk with yourself and explain to the inner being that if you are to compete in a larger city that you will have to work harder, stay at it longer, start probably closer to the bottom, and take some abuse from the better educated people vying for the same job.

If you get lucky and work like a dog, perhaps someone will notice you. You always go the extra mile because that's the way you were brought up and you think you're making a place for yourself. You look up one day and find yourself with gray hair, wrinkles, wondering what happened to all those years, they flew by and you really can't remember being forty or even fifty. The kids are gone, to the big city, working like dogs. Looks like what you taught they are following but you want to tell them that it's all false. They will be asked for more and more, they won't care what you did yesterday but what can you do for me today? You feel very foolish, not telling them to stop and smell the roses, look with wonder at an early morning sunrise, or the beauty of something just born. Carpe diem was an in vogue saying for a while but it is exactly right. We should seize the day, each day, and squeeze all the juice out of it. I always heard that no one on their death bed will ever say they wished they had spent more time at work. I heard this but never stopped to contemplate it.

Somehow it seems a bit of a shame that humans aren't pack animals. All for one and one for all. What's good for the collective and all that. The way we are in this country is we praise the winner but second place means nothing. This is wrong. You abuse your old body along the way and now it is about worn out, doesn't look anything that it did, nothing to be proud of anymore.

The people I know, in business and personally are nearer the end than the beginning of this trek through life and most of us hurried and abhorred the thought of passing. I never gave a thought to stop for death but eventually it will stop for me. I hope I have my coins ready for Charon to row me across the River Styxx. Maybe the Good Lord will let me look back to those years and see all I missed. Maybe so.



This Week In Texas History!

Sept 30, 1872
Comanche Indian Chief Quanah Parker was able to steal back the 3,000 horses that Col. Ranald MacKenzie and his troops had captured the day before at the Battle of McCellan Creek.

Oct 1, 1981
Dr. Ralph Erdmann opened a pathology laboratory in Childress.

Oct 1, 1910
Bonnie Parker was born in Rowena.

Oct 1, 1890
The army began the evacuation of Ft. Mobeetie.

Oct 1, 1849
The first prisoner arrived at the Texas State Penitentiary in Huntsville.

Oct 1, 1845
The Texas Rangers were discharged from Mexican War military service by Gen. Zachary Taylor, later this cost Gen. Taylor the lives of many of his soldiers.

Oct 1, 1835
Texas Army volunteers gathered in and around Gonzales where a Mexican armed force had arrived to remove a cannon from the Texans.

Oct 2, 1983
A nation wide search for Steven Jenkins, 18, and his father ended when James L. Jenkins committed suicide near a deserted farm house between Childress and Paducah while the younger Jenkins surrendered to Cottle County authorities. They were both wanted for the murders of two Minnesota bankers.

Oct 2, 1835
The Battle of Gonzales erupted in the first real fighting of the Texas Revolution. The Texan volunteers fought off the Mexican force that wanted to remove the town's canon. The Texan's battle flag was inscribed, "Come and Take It."

Oct 3, 1842
After three separate military raids by the Mexican Army, Republic President Sam Houston asked for volunteers to invade Mexico. These volunteers later became know as the Mier Expedition.

Oct 3, 1836
The first Congress of the Republic of Texas met.

Oct 4, 1876
Texas A&M opened with 50 students and five instructors. Tuition was \$20 a year.

Oct 4, 1862
A Union naval squadron under the command of William B. Renshaw entered Galveston harbor and demanded the city surrender. Col. Joseph Cook the Confederate commander in Galveston refused and a 2 1/2 month stand-off ensued.

Oct 5, 1862
Union military forces captured the Confederate port of Galveston.

Oct 5, 1835
Mexican Gen. Martin Perfecto de Cos began his march from Goliad to San Antonio. He left a small force behind to guard the supplies and munitions stored in Goliad.

Oct 6, 1928
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Things That Make You Go Hmmm...

By Laura Taylor

How To Get Out Of A Ticket

My sister gets pulled over for speeding...
My sister: Is there a problem, Officer?
Officer: Madam, you were speeding.
My sister: Oh, I see.
Officer: Can I see your license please?
My sister: I'd give it to you but I don't have one.
Officer: Don't have one?
My sister: Lost it, four years ago for drunk driving.
Officer: I see...Can I see your vehicle registration papers please.

My sister: I can't do that.
Officer: Why not?
My sister: I stole this car.
Officer: Stole it?
My sister: Yes, and I killed and hacked up the owner.
Officer: You what?
My sister: His body parts are in plastic bags in the trunk if you want to see.

The Officer looks at my sister and slowly backs away to his car and calls for back up. Within minutes five police cars circle the car. Armed officers train their weapons on her. A senior officer slowly approaches the car, clasping his half drawn gun.

Officer 2: Madam, could you step out of your vehicle please!
My sister steps out of her vehicle.

My sister: Is there a problem sir?
Officer 2: One of my officers told me that you have stolen this car and murdered the owner.

My sister: Murdered the owner?
Officer 2: Yes, could you open the trunk of your car, please.
My sister opens the trunk, revealing nothing but an empty trunk.

Officer 2: Is this your car, ma'am?
My sister: Yes, here are the registration papers. The officer is quite stunned.

Officer 2: One of my officers claims that you do not have a driving license. My sister digs into her handbag and pulls out a clutch purse and hands it to the officer. The officer examines the license. He looks quite puzzled.

Officer 2: Thank you madam, one of my officers told me you didn't have a license, that you stole this car, and that you murdered and hacked up the owner.

My sister: Bet the liar told you I was speeding, too!
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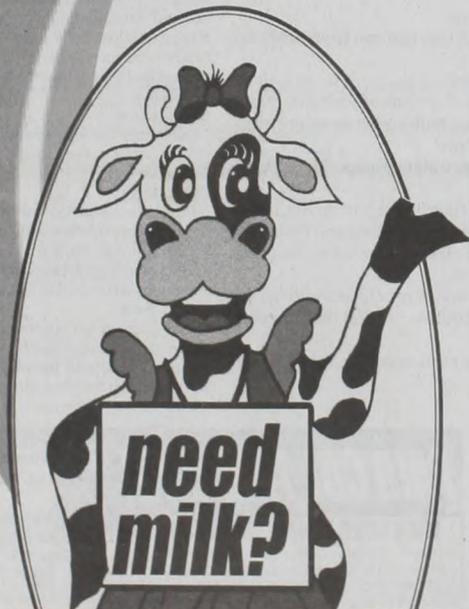
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