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October Area Sales Tax Rebates Show Improvement In Economy

City	Current Rate	Net Pymt This Period	Comp Pymt Prior Year	% Change	2003 Pymts To Date	2002 Pymts To Date	% Change
Quitaque	2.00%	\$3,908.84	\$2,598.99	50.39%	\$29,608.79	\$24,782.57	19.47%
Silverton	1.00%	\$1,790.73	\$1,414.06	26.63%	\$16,047.76	\$16,433.78	-2.34%
Turkey	2.00%	\$2,996.87	\$2,170.99	38.04%	\$26,126.20	\$22,640.43	15.39%
Memphis	2.00%	\$19,059.30	\$21,009.45	-9.28%	\$199,937.80	\$206,724.08	-3.28%
Lakeview	1.00%	\$92.63	\$103.31	-10.33%	\$1,974.44	\$1,555.06	26.96%
Estelline	1.00%	\$1,344.69	\$1,121.87	19.86%	\$13,409.46	\$12,027.09	11.49%
Matador	2.00%	\$5,708.58	\$2,446.81	133.30%	\$37,830.74	\$26,805.53	41.13%
Roaring Springs	2.00%	\$2,813.77	\$2,572.79	9.36%	\$32,524.68	\$26,677.23	21.91%

Strayhorn Sees Encouraging Growth in Sales Tax Collections

Texas Comptroller Carole Keeton Strayhorn said today that state sales tax collections rose in October by 3.6 percent compared to October 2002—the biggest year-over-year growth since August 2001, just prior to the 9/11 terrorist attacks. The state's October sales tax revenue was \$1.19 billion.

Local sales tax collections are up also. Strayhorn today sent \$393.5 million in November sales tax rebates to cities, counties, transit systems and special purpose taxing districts, up 6.7 percent compared to November 2002. The last time local taxing units saw their monthly sales tax allocations increase in the six percent range was June 2001, when allocations were up 5.8 percent compared to June 2000.

"This growth in sales tax collections is consistent with other recent positive signs in the Texas and national economies," Strayhorn said. "These sales tax numbers are very encouraging as our Texas businesses enter the crucial fourth quarter and the holiday shopping season."

Comptroller Strayhorn sent sales tax rebates of \$271.3 million to Texas cities, up 7.5 percent compared to November 2002. Texas counties received November sales tax rebates of \$21.9 million, up 8.6 percent compared to one year ago.

Eighty special purpose taxing districts around the state received \$10.4 million in sales tax, up 6.6 percent compared to last November. Texas' six metropolitan transit authorities and two city transit systems received \$89.8 million in November sales tax rebates, up 3.7 percent compared to a year ago.

November sales tax rebates represent September sales reported to the Comptroller in October by monthly sales tax filers and July, August and September sales reported to the Comptroller in October by quarterly sales tax filers.

TriCounty Meals To Soon Be Reality For Area Seniors

Tri County Meals is quickly becoming a reality for area residents. This valuable addition to the area will soon be bringing home delivered meals to the homebound Senior Citizens in the area, including portions of Briscoe, Hall, Motley and Floyd Counties. This service will allow homebound residents to obtain three hot lunches per week. It will also provide much needed social interaction for those who are homebound and/or live alone. With the median age quickly rising as Baby Boomers reach retirement this multi-community endeavor will provide for the future of our growing senior population. This is especially important in a rural setting, such as ours.

With a Mission Statement "to promote and supervise various programs designed for the purpose of developing the physical, educational and mental welfare of senior citizens in the area to be served, without regard to race, color, sex or national origin" TriCounty Meals will quickly provide a long needed service for area residents. "Anyone wishing to help with this worthwhile multi-community project for our seniors please let me know. We can always use another volunteer," said Kay Calvert, spokesperson for the project.

Calvert went on to say, "The target start date for home delivered meals to begin will be late Summer 2004. There are still many details to be taken care of to ensure the project gets off to a great start."

In the beginning meals will be cooked and delivered from the Quitaque Senior Citizens Center.

If you know of someone who you think might be eligible for this service or if you are interested in service for your community, please contact any of the board members listed below.

Turkey: Don Turner or Sis Stephens (423-1220)
 Flomot: Susie Shannon (469-5357)
 Quitaque: Delene Tyler(455-1109), Kathy Taylor, Bob Ham, or Kay Calvert(455-1441)

Candy Tasting To Be Part Of Caprock Country Christmas

Do you love to make candy, good o' sweet chocolate fudge, peanut patties or some other wonderful confection? Saturday, December 6 there will be Candy Tasting at the Senior Citizens Center during Caprock Country Christmas.

Entry fee is \$2 and must be at the Center by 12:30 p.m. Judging, by three gourmet judges, will begin at 1:30 p.m. People's Choice judging/tasting will be at 2 p.m. Prizes will be given.

Come on down and show off those great cooking skills and enter the Candy Tasting.

Arts & Crafts Galore At Caprock Country Christmas

Caprock Country Christmas is synonymous with an Arts/Crafts Sale and this year it will be even bigger and better than in years past. Two Centers will be open for arts & crafts vendors.

The Quitaque Catholic Center will be open to crafters and the Catholic ladies will also be serving Mexican food. The Quitaque Community Center will also be open to crafters. Approximately 25-30 vendors are expected to be present. There will be a verity of goods available for your Christmas shopping.

Saturday, December 6th is the date and Quitaque is the place.

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Valley Calendar of Events

November 21
 * Valley Patriots vs Meadow for Six-Man Regional Championship at Lubbock Roosevelt High School @ 7:30 p.m.

November 22
 * Iglesia La Trinidad Bautista Community Thanksgiving Service at the Quitaque Community Center @ 4 p.m.

* Caprock Canyons State Park - "Fall Waterfowl" @ 9 a.m.

* Caprock Canyons State Park - "History of Caprock Canyons State Park" @ 6 p.m.

November 23
 * Turkey Community Thanksgiving Dinner at the Bob Will Center Cafeteria @ 11:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.

* Annual Community Thanksgiving Service & Meal at the First Baptist Church in Quitaque @ 5 p.m.

November 24
 * Quitaque Fire Department meeting
 * Turkey Lions Club meeting @ 7 p.m.

* Quitaque's Weight Watchers meeting @ 5:45 p.m. Weigh-In @ 5:15 p.m.
 * Basketball - Valley Jr High vs Hedley here @ 4 p.m.

* Basketball - Valley JVG, JVB, VG vs Petersburg there @ 4 p.m.
 * Caprock Partners meeting @ 5:30 p.m.

November 25
 * Basketball - Valley VG, VB here @ 6:30 p.m.

November 26
 * Valley School out for Thanksgiving Holiday beginning today!



Photo By Jonathan Farley

The Valley Patriot defense comes together to stop a Miami Warrior for a short gain.

Patriots Claim Bi-District Crown

Clif Yeary started the 2003 playoffs off with a bang last Friday rushing for 194 yards and five touchdowns in the Patriots 56-26 win over the Miami Warriors. Fidel Valdes pitched in 128 yards while Charlie Walden racked up 18 tackles.

The Patriots punished the Warriors for 444 rushing yards and forced Miami to throw 31 passes in an attempt to move the ball.

The Warriors took the early lead on a one yard Chris Roach touchdown. Valley answered less than a minute later when Fidel Valdes busted loose for a 32 yard scoring scamper. Alex Espinoza raced 53 yards with a little over a minute left in the first quarter to give that Patriots a 14-8 first quarter lead.

The Patriots began to pull away in the second quarter as Yeary scored three times. Yeary's runs of 34, 4, and 7 yards were answered by only one Miami touchdown and Valley lead 36-12 at the half.

Albert Espinoza busted through the Miami defense for a two yard touchdown early in the third quarter before Yeary added touchdown number four, this one from 4 yards out. Miami's Chris Brewer scored his second touchdown of the game, this one on a 71 yard kickoff return to make the third quarter score 49-20.

Yeary scored his fifth touchdown of the night on a 10 yard run and Miami's Kyler Roach scored with 3 seconds left in the game to make the final score 56-26. Valdes connected on three extra point kicks, and Cody Barrett threw for two extra points.

Barrett and Chase Maynard combined for only four completions but had 100 yards and several big plays. Adam Ortiz caught two passes for 63 yards, while Douglas Payne and Francisco Rodriguez each had one catch.

Ortiz also came up big on defense, recording nine tackles and coming up with two interceptions. Juan Regalado had a beautiful diving one-handed interception to go along with his eight tackles.

Yeary finished the game with 15 tackles, Douglas Payne had 14 tackles, and Fidel Valdes had 12 tackles.

The Patriots will play the Meadow Broncos tomorrow night at Lubbock Roosevelt. Game time is set at 7:30pm.

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NOV. 13	63	41	.10
NOV. 14	44	39	.25
NOV. 15	58	40	.10
NOV. 16	71	36
NOV. 17	77	37
NOV. 18	73	49
NOV. 19	62	33

Send Us Your Favorite Christmas Recipe

We would like you to submit your favorite holiday recipe or a special holiday memory. Please sent it to us at The Valley Tribune by December 12.

Santa Will Be In Quitaque December 6th

Santa Claus is coming for Caprock Country Christmas! He will arrive by fire truck at the Senior Citizens Center in Quitaque about 9 a.m. and will visit with the children while they eat homemade cinnamon rolls, milk, orange juice and coffee. Breakfast will be \$2 per person.

Photos will be available for purchase and maybe picked up in the afternoon. Get a head start on your gift giving and have a photo made with Santa for your favorite grandparent.

Santa will be visiting on Saturday, December 6 from 9-11 a.m. at the Senior Citizens Center.



A piece of American history is now for sale at the Turkey Post Office.

New Mail Boxes Now Installed At The Turkey Post Office, Old Box Fronts For Sale

Lori Wallendorff, Postmaster of the Turkey Post Office, informed the Tribune Tuesday that the new boxes at the Turkey Post Office have now been installed. Keys for the new boxes are available for \$1.00 deposit per key.

Lori also stated that the old post office box fronts will be for sale to the public on a first come basis. Small Box Fronts are \$5.00 a piece, Medium Box Fronts are \$10.00 a piece and Large Box Fronts are \$15.00 a piece.

If you would like to buy your old post office box front please let Lori at the Turkey Post Office know, these fronts are real collectors items and won't last long!

TURKEY TALK

By Martha Bradshaw

Nadine Davis went to Amarillo for a Thyroid Biopsy and had an unexpected overnight stay. She also had an Electrocardiogram at the Heart Group at the North West Texas Hospital. She is still waiting for the test results.

GP and Betty Driskill took Belle Davis to her doctor in Plainview Monday for tests to monitor her heart medicine. She should know the results in a few days.

James Brunson's wife, Ruth recently broke her arm by the elbow and a couple of ribs. She was in the Lockney Hospital. She is back in the Lockney Nursing Home. We wish her well.

Please remember the Thanksgiving Dinner Sunday, November 23rd at the Bob Wills Cafeteria from 11:30AM to 1:30PM. The Methodist will bring Desserts, Baptist - Vegetable Casseroles, and the Church of Christ bring salads (of their choice).

Everyone is asked to have their dish at the Cafeteria by 11:00AM in order for the ladies to prepare the takeout plates. The meals are \$5.00 for adults and \$3.00 for children. Everyone is invited to attend.

Colvin Children Gather For Reunion

The children of George Ray and Ella Colvin gathered recently at the family farm west of Turkey. They try to get together this time each fall. Those gathering for the time of fun, fellowship and food were Etwoile and Verlon Hamilton of Westlake, Judy and Murry Wayne Morrison of Lubbock, Rae and Jack Logan of Ingram and Bud and Veta Colvin of Turkey. They were joined by Care, Danetta and Gary McCullough of Lubbock, Regan Whitley of Wichita Falls, Julia, Rachel, Laura and Erika Morrison of Turkey.

The sisters and their husbands were treated to Sunday evening dinner by their brother George and wife Veta at their home in Turkey before the group adjourned for the weekend.

Jack and Rae had arrived on Monday to spend three glorious Indian Summer days at Caprock Canyon State Park, where they joined long time friends, Frankie and Dorothy Howard of Wolfworth and Melvin and Edna Newman of Lubbock. Jack and Rae enjoyed showing them around Turkey, Quitaque and Fairmont, where the two of them grew up. The three couples also enjoyed attending, on Tuesday night, the Turkey Senior citizens gathering where they were guests of Frances and Harold Wheeler and Betty and G.P. Driskill

Bob Wills' Texas Playboys To Perform At 3rd Annual Cowboy Christmas Ball In Crowell

Legenday Leon Rausch and Grammy Award winner Tommy Allsup, fiddler players Bob Boatright and Jimmy Young with Curly Hollingsworth at keyboard along with the other members of the Bob Wills band will be in Crowell, Texas, on Saturday evening December 20, 2003 to play at Crowell's third annual Cowboy Christmas Ball. The music and dancing will begin at 8:00 PM in the Crowell Activity Center on Main Street in downtown Crowell. Period dress is suggested but not required.

Special guest performers to begin the evening entertainment with fast moving, toe tapping, Cajun, and western music will include Ginny Mac, George Uptmor, Ronny Schultz, Wendell Sollis, and Barry Branch. For the kick-off of this year's Christmas Ball at 8:00 PM, join this special musical talented musicians play Wbway tunes.

Tickets are now on sale, and can be purchased by calling J. W. Souls at the Crowell Chamber of Commerce, 1.940.684.1670. Seating is limited. Motel space is limited, full hook-up RV parking space is available.

Bob Wills' Texas Playboys To perform at Crowell, Texas Third Annual COWBOY CHRISTMAS BALL

Saturday, December 20, 2003

8:00 p.m. at the Crowell Activity Center

Dance to the Music of the Texas Playboys
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There's Still Time To Enter Quitaque's Christmas Lighting Contest

Quitaque's Christmas Lighting Contest will be held during the week of December 9-16. Out of town judges will make the determination and awards of Grand Prize, 1st, 2nd, 3rd places will be given. Live in the country and still want to enter? No problem...call Arlene at 455-1225 and get on the list. If you live inside the city limits, there is no need to call.

The judges will be driving all over town looking for the best decorated home. Just a few weeks left to get all those lights in place and there are already some how decorated. It's beginning to look a lot like Christmas, everywhere you go!

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!



- November 20**
Betty Hurtt, Colby Ryan Townsley, Dustin Wilson, Laquinta Williams, Tony Hinojosa
November 21
Maurice Fuston, Garrett Mills, Christy Clardy, Dusty Hill, Linda Morrison, Rene Martinez, Vinnie Kimbell, Chaney Dowd
November 22
Denver Anderson, Glen De Pigg, Deacon Burleson, Keith Lane, Christa Williams
November 23
Mary Weeks, Marjorie Bell, Kayla Breane Beavers, Gaby Fierro, Renee Dudley
November 24
Jeremy Hughes, Michelle Turner, Verla Barrett, Natasha Kimbell, Linda Hamilton, Brenda Coker, Therma Farley
November 25
Marion Kalafus
November 26
Kenneth Helms, Paige Mills, Jamie Butler
November 27
Trent McKay, Brenda Seymour, Ryan Trent Scott



- November 24**
Mr & Mrs Roland Hamilton
November 26
Mr & Mrs Lowell Proctor
Mr & Mrs Bud Ham

Obituaries

Leslie L. Bond

Leslie L. Bond, was born on August 3, 1917, in Gasoline (Briscoe County) Texas, to Thomas Jefferson & Hattie Lee Bond. On October 17, 2003 after a courageous battle with cancer Les was called home to be with his Lord & Savior Jesus Christ, whom he loved & served with all his heart. Funeral services were held Monday, October 20, 2003, at Whitney & Murphy Arcadia Funeral Home. Interment followed at Greenwood Memory Lawn Cemetery in Phoenix, AZ.

Les moved to Ft. Thomas, AZ in 1936 where he graduated from High School & went on to play basketball at Eastern Jr. College & NM State College. After college he worked in the mines in Morenci, AZ. He made Hazel Lee Bratt his bride on August 31, 1941 in Safford, AZ. At the end of WWII Les & Hazel moved to Phoenix where he worked at Bratt's Ice Cream, later for Osborn School District as a painter & retired in the early 80's. After retirement Les & Hazel spent the summer months in Walker, outside of Prescott, in the cabin they had built together in the 50's. He loved to square dance & they traveled around the country to attend festivals. He loved being a husband, brother, father, uncle, grandfather, great grandfather & friend.

He is survived by many family & friends including his wife, Hazel of 62 years, daughter Susie Radcliffe, and son Tom Bond, sisters, Leola Bond Kerr of Safford/ Mesa, & Avis Bond Grunstra of Clearwater, FL, grandchildren, and great grandchildren.

Turkey To Hold Annual Community Thanksgiving Dinner

Turkey will be holding it's Annual Community Thanksgiving Dinner for Turkey and the surrounding communities Sunday, November 23 from 11:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. in the Bob Wills Cafeteria.

Carry out orders will be available.

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FLOMOT NEWS

BY EARLENE JAMESON

OVERHEARD

On the first night of his Grandma's Christmas visit, a small boy was saying his prayers. "Please God," he shouted, "Sent me a bicycle, a tool chest."

His brother interrupted saying, "Why are you praying so loud? God isn't deaf."

"I know He isn't," the boy said, "but Grandma is."

Congratulations Supper Given For Cara & Chase Carson

Cara and Chase Carson, who were recently married, were honored with a congratulations supper Saturday night, November 15 at the Community Center in Flomot hosted by her parents, Connie and Coy Franks.

The table was laid with a white lace cloth and centered with the bride's bouquet, Chase's military cap and Cara's wedding tiara. Brisket and all the trimmings and a beautiful wedding cake decorated with double hearts and a garland of roses was served with fruit punch.

Guests enjoying the evening of entertainment were Cara's great grandmother, Mrs. Edith Washington and grandparents, Erma and Bill D. Washington of Flomot; Tim and Deana Washington, Matt, Ashley and Brazos Washington of Roaring Springs; Cory, Amy, and Madison Franks, Cary Franks, and Leah Cruse of Lubbock; Cole Grundy, Lacy, Caleb, Mickey and Kenzie Clary of Matador; Dr. Robbie and Romona Ballinger of Canyon; Mike Pigg and Barbara Mayfield of Silverton; Delores Pigg of Quitaque; Sherryl, Colton and Kayla Barclay of Jacksonville and Barry Pickett and daughter, Chase of Garland.

Wins First At Motorsports Races

Coy Franks and Billy Morris returned home Sunday, November 16 with first place trophies after their Caprock team won the Motorsports Town Races held in Idalou. Entries were from throughout Texas in the Town and Country Races.

Visitors of Mr. and Mrs. L.E. Shorter, Saturday was son, Louis Shorter of Mansfield and daughter and children, Mrs. Jennifer Moncreif, Allison, Matthew and Braden of Roaring Springs.

Cara and Chase Carson are visiting in Borger with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Terry Carson.

Mrs. Lance Barclay, Kayla and Colton of Jacksonville visited the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Barclay. Ty Barclay of Matador visited Sunday.

Anna Beth and Joe Ike clay and granddaughter, Rleigh Carson of Turkey visited in Clifton from Friday until Sunday with daughter and family, Lori and Kevon Kleibrink, Karlee and Kyler. Karlee celebrated her sixth birthday Saturday with a Fairy Princess Party. Her cake was decorated with a Barbie Doll dressed in a colorful princess costume. Joe Ike and Kevon attended Kyler's soccer games, Saturday.

Trula and Wilburn Martin were in Lubbock, Thursday where she has medical surgery on her nose. Their daughter, Mrs. Marilee Cooper of Borger visited them Friday.

Nada Starkey had out patient surgery Tuesday, November 11 in Amarillo.

Lunchon guest of Mr. and Mrs. Orville Lee, Sunday was grandson, Brandon Lee of Plainview.

Leah Cruse of Lubbock visited Saturday and Sunday with her parent, Mr. and Mrs. Darrell Cruse. Their son, Keane Cruse of Turkey visited Sunday.

Johnie Starkey accompanied his mother, Mrs. C.W. Starkey to Warner, Oklahoma Wednesday, November 12 to visit daughter and family, Bobbie and Roy Hanna. He continued to Lebanon, Missouri to winterize his property. They returned home, Tuesday, November 18.

Attending the funeral services of Joe Long, 71, of Winnewood, Oklahoma, husband of Nolla Mary Starkey Long, Saturday held in Pauls Valley, Oklahoma were Nada and Jack Starkey, his sister, Mrs. Ersie VaCleeve of Daugherty, daughters, Mrs. Bessie Reid of Amarillo and Mrs. Jackie Davis of Fritch. Joining them there for the services were Mrs. C.W. Starkey and Johnie Starkey.

Kathy and Clois Shorter and houseguest, daughter, Mrs. Cindy Calvert of Warrenton, Virginia attended a party Saturday night honoring Frank Sehon on his 60th birthday held in his home in Wolforth. Joining them there were daughter and family, Keri and Kevin Sehon and son, Brian of Ropesville.

Weekend visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Doyle Calvert and Glen Calvert were Alvia Joe Calvert of Dumas and Justin Calvert and Grace Davis of Amarillo.

Tom and Aleda Ross were in Lockney, Wednesday for Tom a medical appointment and tests. He is being treated for congestion of the heart.



Cooks Corner

By Virginia Sailsbury

Only one week until Thanksgiving, so I have some delicious side dishes to serve with the big bird. Festive Cranberry Salad is a great do-ahead because it is frozen and ready with no last-minute fuss. You are probably going to make some kind of hot rolls, so let me suggest Sweet Potato Crescents to fill your bread basket. Better make extra for turkey on a roll during the football game! Pumpkin Pie Squares are a new twist on the old favorite, and I recipe serves a lot more people than a pie.

FESTIVE CRANBERRY SALAD

1 can (14 oz.) Eagle Brand milk
 1/4 cup lemon juice
 1 can (20 oz.) crushed pineapple, drained
 1 can (16 oz.) whole-berry cranberry sauce
 2 cups miniature marshmallows
 1/2 cup chopped pecans
 1 carton (8 oz.) Cool Whip, thawed

In a bowl, combine milk and lemon juice; mix well. Stir in the pineapple, cranberry sauce, marshmallows and pecans. Fold in Cool Whip. Spoon into a 13x9x2 inch baking dish. Freeze until firm, 4 hours or overnight. Cut into squares. Serves 12-16.

SWEET POTATO CRESCENTS

2 packages (1/4 oz. each) active dry yeast
 1 cup warm water
 1 can (15 oz.) cut sweet potatoes, drained and mashed
 1/2 cup sugar
 1/2 cup shortening
 1 egg
 1-1/2 teaspoons salt
 5 to 5-1/2 cups flour
 1/4 cup butter or margarine, melted

In a large mixing bowl, dissolve yeast in water; let stand for 5 minutes. Beat in the sweet potatoes, sugar, shortening, egg, salt, and 3 cups flour. Add enough remaining flour to form a stiff dough. Turn onto a floured surface; knead until smooth and elastic, about 6-8 minutes. Place in a greased bowl, turning once to grease top. Cover and let rise in a warm place until doubled, about 1 hour. Punch dough down; divide into thirds. Roll each portion into a 12-inch circle; cut each into 12 wedges. Brush with butter. Roll up from the wide end and place, pointed end down, 2 inches apart on greased baking sheets. Cover and let rise until doubled, about 45 minutes. Bake at 375 for 13-15 minutes until golden brown. Remove from pans and cool on a wire rack. Serve warm. Makes 36.

PUMPKIN PIE SQUARES

1 cup flour
 1/2 cup quick-cooking oats
 1/2 cup packed brown sugar
 1/2 cup butter or margarine
FILLING:
 2 cans (15 oz. each) pumpkin
 2 cans (12 oz. each) evaporated milk
 4 eggs
 1-1/2 cups sugar
 2 teaspoon cinnamon
 1 teaspoon ground ginger
 1/2 teaspoon ground cloves
 1 teaspoon salt
TOPPING:
 1/2 cup packed brown sugar
 1/2 cup chopped pecans
 2 tablespoons butter or margarine, softened

Combine the first four ingredients until crumbly; press into a greased 13x9x2 inch baking pan. Bake at 350 for 20 minutes until golden brown. Meanwhile, beat the filling ingredients in a mixing bowl until smooth; pour over crust. Bake for 45 minutes. Combine topping ingredients; sprinkle over top. Bake 15-20 minutes longer or until a knife inserted near the center comes out clean. Cool. Store in the refrigerator. Serves 16-20. Happy cooking!

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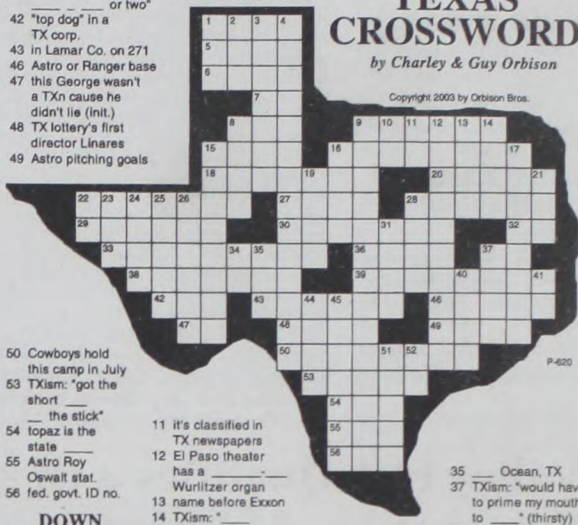
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- 6 early Fort Worth lawless area: "Hell's Half _____"
- 6 TX Roger Miller's "Dang Me" was '64 Song of the _____
- 7 TXism: "pay him _____ never mind" (long time)
- 8 TXism: "in a coon's _____" (long time)
- 9 TXism: "porch alter"
- 15 high cards
- 16 TXism: "packed like _____ in a can"
- 18 TX Willie concert series (2 wds.)
- 20 TX Tommy Lee was Woodrow _____ in "Lonesome Dove"
- 22 TXism: "a _____ the pan"
- 27 TX Roy Orbison's _____ "The Lonely"
- 28 rustled cattle
- 29 A&M's color, with white
- 30 with "sodium," it's fertilizer
- 32 _____ Pepper
- 33 _____ as lightning striking your zipper"
- 36 Gen. Robt. _____
- 37 TX ABC reporter Donaldson (init.)
- 38 San Antonio's King William Street is named after King _____ of Prussia

The Original

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- 39 TXism: "got knocked _____ or two"
- 42 "top dog" in a TX corp.
- 43 in Lamar Co. on 271
- 46 Astro or Ranger base
- 47 this George wasn't a TXn cause he didn't lie (init.)
- 48 TX lottery's first director Linares
- 49 Astro pitching goals

DOWN

- 1 horse morsels
- 2 TX Blue Bell product: "_____ cream
- 3 ex-mayor of Fort Worth Kay _____
- 4 TX war memorial: "Texas _____"
- 8 TXism: "opened up _____ of worms"
- 9 TX Tech women
- 10 TXism: "put up _____ shut up"
- 11 it's classified in TX newspapers
- 12 El Paso theater has a _____
- 13 name before Exxon
- 14 TXism: "_____ McCoy"
- 15 TXism: "that's _____ do _____ you do"
- 16 Rio Grande sediment
- 17 tobogganers
- 19 rare birds seen at Bentsen State Park
- 21 TX pitching legend Ryan (init.)
- 22 not an AM station
- 23 TX boy
- 24 TXism: "got _____ deal" (cheated)
- 25 TX drive-in eatery
- 26 TXism for "pistol"
- 28 TXism: "_____ in his own juice"
- 31 TXism: "got _____ of arrows in his quiver" (capable)
- 34 "Streets of Laredo" was _____ make of "Texas Rangers"
- 35 _____ Ocean, TX
- 37 TXism: "would have to prime my mouth to _____" (thirsty)
- 40 embrace (2 wds.)
- 41 Dallas Co. named for this George (init.)
- 44 sweat outlet
- 45 fruit grown in the Rio Grande Valley
- 51 TX Roddenberry line: "where _____ has gone _____ before"
- 52 TXism: "_____ he's a rooster, he'll crow" (inevitable)

Good Guy Eddleman Known Award For Ornaments

Recently Sam Ortiz, Donny Ray Rogers, Scotty and Sandra Stark, Larry Payne and Trent McKay donated their time and expertise as they worked long, hard and late hours to weld two ten foot metal crosses for Quitaque to use during Christmas time.

The crosses will be decorated with white wire lights courtesy of We the Women and will be placed at the east & west ends of town, welcoming holiday visitors.

Kudos goes to this group of community minded citizens for volunteering their time and materials to help make Quitaque a nicer place for everyone!

(Taken in part from the Plainview Daily Herald Story By Esther Gonzalez)

Bryant Eddleman of Silverton is famous for his craftsmanship at Prairie House in Plainview.

Eddleman, 86, graduated from Quitaque High School and made his home in Silverton with his late wife, Ruby Lee, before moving to Prairie House after suffering a stroke.

He had become known for his Christmas ornaments, too large to be hung on a tree. The ornaments are comprised of 50 clear plastic cups and a 100 bulb set of christmashn oight. He uses clothes pins and a soldering iron to piece the cotraptions together, which creates a globe light display.

"My sister had a smaller one made of shot glasses and i thought, I can make that" Eddleman said.

He and his wife both found a lot of joy working to make these ornaments. "She was figted and helped me on this stuff. If you make soeone happy, it makes you ahppy," said Edleman, wh almost never charges for the Christmas creations.

Ms. Devin, recreational coordinator, said, "He is a brilliant man and we are honored with his presence."

THINGS THAT MAKE YOU GO HMMM...

BY: LAURA TAYLOR

Too many people put off something that brings them joy just because they haven't thought about it, don't have it on their schedule, didn't know it was coming or are too rigid to depart from their routine.

A friend told me, "I cannot count the times I called my sister and said, 'How about going to lunch in a half hour?' She would gasp and stammer, 'I can't. I have clothes on the line. My hair is dirty. I wish I had known yesterday. I had a late breakfast. or It looks like rain.' She died a few years ago. We never did have lunch together."

Because Americans cram so much into their lives, we tend to schedule our headaches.

We live on a sparse diet of promises we make to ourselves when all the conditions are perfect!

We'll go back and visit the grandparents when we get Stevie toilet-trained.

We'll entertain when we replace the living-room carpet.

We'll go on a second honeymoon when we get two more kids out of college.

Life has a way of accelerating as we get older.

The days get shorter, and the list of promises to ourselves gets longer.

One morning, we awaken, and all we have to show for our lives is a litany of "I'm going to", "I plan on", and "Someday, when things are settled down a bit."

If you were going to die soon and had only one phone call you could make, who would you call and what would you say? And why are you waiting?

Have you ever watched kids playing on a merry go round or listened to the rain lapping on the ground?

Ever followed a butterfly's erratic flight or gazed at the sun into the fading night?

Do you run through each day on the fly?

When you ask "How are you?" Do you hear the reply?

When the day is done, do you lie in your bed with the next hundred chores running through your head?

Ever told your child, "We'll do it tomorrow." And in your haste, not see his sorrow?

Ever lost touch? Let a good friendship die? Just call to say "Hi"?

When you worry and hurry through your day, It is like an unopened gift....Thrown away...

Life is not a race. Take it slower.

Hear the music before the song is over.

Now...go on and have a nice day.

Do something on your WANT TO list.....not something on your SHOULD DO list.

HMMM.....

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THE PATRIOT

Valley School News

SCHOOL LUNCH MENU

Menu Subject To Change

Monday, November 24

Breakfast: Cinnamon Toast, Apple Sauce, OJ/Milk

Lunch: Hamburgers, Lettuce, Tomatoes, Cheese, French Fries, Fruit, Milk

Tuesday, November 25

Breakfast: Breakfast Pizza, OJ/Milk

Lunch: Ham & Cheese Sandwiches, Lettuce, Tomatoes, Chips, Kosher Dills, Cookies, Milk

Have A Safe & Happy Thanksgiving Holiday!

THE LUNCHROOM LADIES

Valley Students Meet Famous Author

On Wednesday, October 12, several Valley seventh graders and eighth graders traveled to Motley County. There they experienced the chance of a lifetime. They met and visited with Herma Silverstein, an author of more than 20 books for young readers.

Ms. Silverstein walked them through the entire process of writing a book: from staring at a blank sheet of paper, to viewing the galley proofs, to being rejected by publishers, to finally becoming a published author. The students got a real feel for writing. While there they participated in some fun writing exercises.

Herma Silverstein is the author of a wide range of children's books, including: *Scream Machines: Roller Coasters Past, Present, & Future*; *Spies Among Us: The Truth About Modern Espionage*; *Teens And Tobacco: A Fatal Attraction*; *Teenage Depression*; *The Alamo*; *Mad, Mad Monday* and *Threads of Evidence*.

Ms. Silverstein is also a regular contributor to *Highlights for Children* magazine and teaches a course in children's book writing. She was raised in Fort Worth, Texas. Besides writing, Ms. Silverstein loves reading, jogging, and dogs. The mother of two sons, she resides in southern California with her 4 Tibetan terriers.

The students were grateful for the opportunity to meet such an accomplished author. We extend an open invitation for Herma Silverstein to visit West Texas anytime.

Pictured: front row: Jordan Jenkins, Herma Silverstein and Dalton Allen. middle row: Chancy Campbell, Lauren Young, Lacie Pointer, Mary Kate Davidson and Cole Brown. back row: Callie Helms, Brady Ramsey and Alexandra Skinner.



2003-2004 VHS Cheerleaders! Top Row: Macy Davidson, Katherine Pigg, and Molly Davidson. Middle Row: Chelsea Wheeler, Paige Hughes, and Alicia Roys. Bottom: Larrisa Payne—Mascot!

The Valley Cheerleaders have done a great job this year. They would like to send out special thanks to the Patriot Fans, Danny and Judy Barrett for supplying them with fun things to throw at the ballgames, the Booster club for helping them out, their moms and dads for the endless support! Also, they would like to thank Stuart Smith and Johnathan Farley for setting up the music each week, Coach Clay and his class for taking down the tables in the cafeteria for the pep rallies, and our administration for letting us have fun and make lots of great memories!

Please continue to come and support the Patriots in all the activities that they are involved in!

3RD Six Weeks Honor Roll

1st Grade - Mrs. Hill

All A's: Barrett Bland, Tyler Campbell, Walker Carson, Esmaralda Cruz, Annah Gonce, Baylie Pointer, Brandon Pointer, Haley Wheeler, Blayne Young
A's & B's: Biren Clarady, Shelby Shannon, Shawn Williams, Katelyn Young

2nd Grade - Mrs. Ramsey

All A's: Christian Chavira, Macy Maynard, Ketch Smith, Dalton Valdez, Kelby Williams
A's & B's: Kaylee Addison, Jericca Galvan, David Greene, Gustavo Santos

2nd Grade - Mrs. Cruse

All A's: Cory Williams, April Villareal, Jessi Messer, Morgan Hawkins

A's & B's: Mandy Purcell, Laura Mora, Caleb Bernal

3rd Grade - Mrs. Pigg

All A's: Brenna Allen, Kameron Buchanan, Andrew Gonce, Colleen Hancock, Sunny Helms, Abby Hill, Blake Pigg, Ben Seth Ramsey, Macy Valdez

A's & B's: Sarah Clay, Jose Mendoza, Hayden Meyer, Dodie Payne, John Pigg, Carson Proctor, Pecos Williams, Ian Farley

4th Grade - Mrs. Proctor

All A's: Caitlyn Brown, Alyssa Pointer, Jayson Pigg

A's & B's: Kortni Carnes, Natalie Fierro, Chambray Smith, Pablo Martinez

4th Grade - Mrs. Hancock

All A's: Ezekiel Clay, Kristen Jenkins, Madison Meyer, Jacob Pigg, Jessie Price

A's & B's: Courtney Galvan, Danielle Gwinn

The Honor Roll for the 3rd Six Weeks at Valley School is continued on page 8.



GreenBelt District Champs in Chapter Conducting; (left to right) Randy Farley, Matt Whittington, Cody Barret, Jessica Wellman, Kathrine Pigg, Paige Hughes, Chase Maynard, Zack Ramsey.



Valley FFA-District Leadership Contestants; (L-R) Molly Davidson, Zack Ramsey, Matt Whittington, Elisa Cagle, Paige Hughes, Jennifer Carnes, Randy Farley, Jessica Wellman, Larrisa Payne, Maddie Ramsey, Cody Barrett, Seth Fuston, Katherine Pigg, Macy Davidson, Chase Maynard.

Step Up To Success

Rosa Villarreal and Sarah Hinojosa took Migrant High School Students to Amarillo for an Annual "Step Up To Success" on Thursday, November 13, 2003 at the San Jacinto Baptist Church.

The program for High School consists of providing information on college and possible careers. The main objective of "Step Up To Success" is to influence students to continue their education and choose a career that they are comfortable with.

GO! WIN! VALLEY!

ANNUAL COMMUNITY THANKSGIVING SERVICE AND MEAL
November 23rd, 2003
at
The First Baptist Church of Quitaque
Service Starts at 5:00 p.m.
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MEAL IS FREE

All are welcome to attend this time of giving
Thanks to God for all the Blessings
He has given unto us all.

For more details contact the
First Baptist Church at 455-1286

Valley FFA Qualifies 4 Of 5 Teams For Area Leadership Competition

The Valley FFA chapter was well represented at the 2003 Greenbelt District Leadership contests held Saturday, Nov. 15 at Clarendon College. Four of the five teams competing qualified for Area competition.

The Senior Chapter Conducting team placed first. Team members include; President - Matt Whittington, Vice Pres. - Zack Ramsey, Secretary - Katherine Pigg, Treasurer - Randy Farley, Reporter - Paige Hughes, Sentinel - Cody Barrett, Voting Delegate - Chase Maynard and Student Advisor - Jessica Wellman.

The Jr. FFA Quiz team of Maddie Ramsey, Seth Fuston and Molly Davidson also won their contest.

Katherine Pigg and Macy Davidson both placed second in the Sr. Creed Speaking and Jr. FFA Creed Speaking respectively. Only the first and second place finishers in each contest advance to the next level.

The FFA Radio team of Jennifer Carnes, Larrisa Payne and Elisa Cagle placed 4th out of ten teams competing.

Those teams advancing will compete at the Area 1 contest to be held on the West Texas A&M Campus in Canyon Sat. Nov. 22. Teams placing first will advance to the State Contest held in early December at Sam Houston State University in Huntsville.

Major Stock Show Entry Sign-up Nights

All Valley ISD students that plan to exhibit an animal at major livestock shows through the Valley FFA program will need to fill out entries during one of the two swine validation days. This will be held at the Vance Price Showbarn.

The first meeting will be held on Thursday, November 20 from 4:00pm to 8:00pm. The final validation and sign-up will be held on Sunday, November 23 from 2:00pm to 6:00pm.

All entries and associated fees must be filled out and turned in at one of these two meetings.

For more information contact the Valley Agri-Science Teacher, Robert Herrington at 806-455-1411.

Swine Validation 2003

Thursday, November 20 - 4 p.m.

Vance Price Show Barn, Valley I.S.D.

Sunday, November 23 - 2 p.m.

Vance Price Show Barn, Valley I.S.D.

Monday, November 24 - 4 p.m.

Silverton Show Barn, Silverton, TX

All Major Livestock Show Entries for Valley FFA Jr. and Sr. members can be done during Swine Validation

We ask that parents and exhibitors please be present to get all necessary signatures and information required for validation documents.

Remember To Bring:

* Social Security Number - All Exhibitors

* Payment: Validation Fees will be \$8 per animal.

All fees will be due at the time of validation

If you have any questions about this years validation procedures contact any one of the following:

Robert Herrington AST Valley I.S.D. - 806-455-1411

Mike Williams AST Silverton I.S.D. - 806-823-2476

Brandon McGinty CEA-Ag Briscoe Co. - 806-823-2521

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Tulia Merchants

**Sunday, November 23, 2003
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**2003
BI-DISTRICT
CHAMPIONS**

**2003
VALLEY PATRIOT
HIGH SCHOOL
FOOTBALL ROSTER**

Player	Ht.	Wt.	Cl.	Pos
Rodney Fuston	5-8	210	Sr	C-DE
Chase Manard	6-0	170	Sr	QB-LB
Adam Ortiz	5-9	180	Sr	OE-DE
Douglas Payne	5-11	170	Sr	OE-DB
Ramiro Ramos	6-0	220	Sr	OE-DE
Juan Regalado	6-1	175	Sr	OE-DB
Kellan Roberts	5-8	165	Sr	RB-LB
Frankie Rodriguez	5-7	190	Sr	RB-DE
Cliff Yeary	5-9	195	Sr	RB-LB
Anthony Ortiz	6-2	175	Sr	OE-DE
Jorge Alanis	5-8	160	Jr	OE-DE
Albert Espinoza	5-9	185	Jr	RB-LB
Jake Maupin	5-6	150	Jr	OE-DE
Zack Ramsey	5-8	165	Jr	QB-LB
Fidel Valdes	5-9	175	Jr	RB-LB
Man Whittington	5-7	155	Jr	OE-DE
Cody Barrett	5-10	165	So	QB-DB
Alex Espinoza	5-11	165	So	RB-DE
Randy Farley	5-10	250	So	C-DE
Chance Maynard	5-6	135	So	OE-DE
Ruben Ramos	5-10	210	So	OE-DE
Fernando Regalado	5-8	155	So	RB-LB
Derek Roys	5-8	160	So	RB-BD
Charlie Walden	6-1	175	So	OE-DE
Fannin Gwynn	5-8	175	Fr	C-E
Matt Dozer	5-6	210	Fr	RB-E
Maguel Santes	5-10	160	Fr	OE-DE
Jake Glass	5-5	130	Fr	E-CB



**2003 VALLEY PATRIOT FOOTBALL TEAM
CHEELEDERS & MASCOT**



**VALLEY PATRIOTS
VS
MEADOW BRONCOS**

**at
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Hall County FSA Committee Elections To Be Held

Ballots to elect a Hall County Committee (COC) member for the Farm Service Agency (FSA) will be mailed soon. The election is being held in LAA 3, which is the Turkey area.

FSA County Committee Members:

- Make decisions on crop yields
- Make decisions on disaster programs
- Make decisions on conservation programs
- Make decisions on general program eligibility, and
- Hear appeals from producers who have received notice of adverse decisions

Please complete your election ballot and return it to the Hall County FSA Office no later than December 1, 2003. Remember to sign your name on the address label located on the outside of the return envelope or the vote will be invalid and will not be counted!

L.A.P. Sign-Up Ends November 21

The signup period for the Livestock Assistance Program (LAP) will end November 21, 2003. All producers who have qualifying livestock and who have not completed an application will need to do so before that date.

Producers must have owned livestock during the period from June 15 to November 18, 2001 and livestock must have been owned for at least 90 days. Payments received from the Livestock Compensation Program I or II will be deducted from any payment under this program. Actual payments will be calculated and a national factor will be applied, if necessary. A payment limitation of \$40,000.00 has been established for the LAP Program.

Come by the Hall County FSA Office to complete your application before the deadline.

Turkey Extension News

The Turkey Extension Club met Monday, November 17, 2003 at 6:30 p.m. in the Turkey Senior Citizens room with ten members present. The members enjoying the evening were Maurice Fuston, Marjorie Bell, Marie Cruse, Betty Driskill, Oleta Randell, Mabel Morse, Sis Stephens, Wilda Fuston, Sandy Fuston and Cory Edwards, our county agent.

Oleta Randell served as hostess with several helpers. The table was covered with a beautiful cloth carrying out the Thanksgiving motif. The table was laden with finger sandwiches, chips, salads, nuts, and desserts.

During the business meeting, it was reported the brisket dinner served November 8th preceding the Gene Watson Concert was a success, due in part to the expertise of Mike Fuston, Aaron Adamson, James Fuston and Rick Fuston, who gave a helping hand. The club agreed community support for our effort was fantastic! The Club voted to pay the Bob Wills Foundation \$100 for the use of their facility.

Sunday, November 16th the Turkey Extension Club served drinks to the guests at the Briscoe-Hall County 4-H Food Show, presented from 2-4 p.m. in the Turkey Senior Citizen Room. There were thirty two 4-H participants. The club was very impressed with the 4-H youth and their expertise in cooking and serving their prepared dishes, their presentation, and their excellent manners following a patriotic opening ceremony. The ladies of the club agreed on how confident they were for the future of our country. Congratulations to Cory Edwards and her 4-H'ers for an outstanding production.

Cory Edwards reminded the ladies of the club about the Panhandle District 1 Spring TEEA meeting to be held in Canyon, TX on April 13, 2004.

The club's next meeting will be in the Senior Citizen's Room on December 15th, which will be the Christmas Party. All members will serve as hostesses for this occasion.

Higher Beef Prices Expected to Continue

Gone are the concerns of cancer risks from eating too much beef. Even Canada's case of mad cow disease earlier this year caused a mere blip in trading on Wall Street.

With high-protein, low-carbohydrate diets fueling the demand for beef, and a fast-paced cattle favoring the convenience of heat-and-serve beef products, cattle producers are selling just about anything on the hoof to take advantage of record-high prices.

"The whole market trend right now or the psychology is 'let's rush them to market,'" said Dr. Ernie Davis, Texas Cooperative Extension livestock marketing economist.

Record-high cattle prices in 2003 continue as experts say this year will go down as the best ever. Average steer prices a week ago were at \$1.04 a pound, while finished steer prices hit a record \$115 per hundredweight during October.

To take advantage of the high prices, cow-calf producers have been opting to send lightweight calves to market sooner, further decreasing the nation's beef supply. Even packers are pulling feeder cattle "green" from the feedlots to meet supply demands.

"Our placements in feedlots [for this time of year] are expected to be 10 percent higher at least from a year ago," said Jim Robb, director of the Livestock Marketing Information Center in Denver. "Clearly, this is a very unique set of market circumstances."

The million-dollar question on the minds of those in the beef industry is how long will the high prices last? According to Davis and Robb, prices will remain historically high on into the first quarter of 2004, but not at the record levels seen in October.

Several key factors are fueling the current market:

- * All eyes are on Canada and when it will be allowed to resume trading of live cattle across its border. "That's at least four months down the line," Davis estimates. "As early as the market could open is in March."
- * Attention is being paid to feedlots. According to Robb, the feedlots "hold all of the cards." "They don't need to market animals until the packers come to them," he said. "That will go on for three or four more weeks. I suspect by the time we get to December, we're trading lower fed cattle prices still at historically high levels, but they are getting into the 90s mostly as opposed to the \$1 (per pound) range. That's still the highest prices we've ever posted during this year or this quarter."
- * The price of corn. Analysts say there has been a record U.S. corn crop this year. With prices hovering around \$2 a bushel, many feedlots aren't too worried about the price of corn. However, a poor corn crop in 2004 could change the price of cattle. "If you have a short corn crop, most of the adjustment will be on the cattle side, which means cow-calf prices have to adjust accordingly," Robb said.
- * Expect the nation's beef cow inventory to be tighter by Jan. 1. Davis and Robb expect fewer cows will be slaughtered in 2004 because they will be fewer more due to limited beef cow numbers.
- * "We have this changing story out there," Robb said. "From a rancher's perspective, these cow-calf cows could be worth far more than they were in 2003. I'm hearing purebred bulls are selling from \$300 on up to \$500 higher than a year ago." Davis said, "We're still trying to set the long-term stage for the cattle cycle. We've delayed this cycle another year."

While beef producers are enjoying the high prices, the liquidation of cattle across the United States continues, and will again cut into supplies heading into 2004. With the exception of Texas, which has been rebuilding cattle inventories the past three years, the Midwest has experienced drought conditions for the last two years, preventing rebuilding efforts.

"When we go through this year's liquidating numbers, that will be a 14-year cattle cycle," Davis noted. A normal cattle cycle is approximately a 10-year period in which the number of U.S. beef cattle is alternatively expanded and reduced over several consecutive years.

Generally, low prices occur when cattle numbers (or beef supplies) are high, precipitating several years of herd liquidation. As cattle numbers decline, prices gradually begin to rise, causing cattle producers to begin adding cattle to their herds. The cycle is relatively long due to the time lag between when a cow-calf operator decides to expand a herd, and when those additional animals reach slaughter weight.

"This is now the longest liquidation phase in the cattle cycle since we have had relevant records," Robb said. "It goes back to the late 1880s, but they didn't have good records then. The key to keeping us from rebuilding in 2004 is if we have drought in cattle country. Every year since 1996, we have had some cattle states affected by drought." With drought and fewer cattle numbers, beef producers are managing to still place cattle in feedlots.

"How are we doing that? Number one, we are still using a large percentage of heifers off each year's calf crop," Davis said. "In fact, heifer slaughter has made up nearly 40 percent of federally inspected steer and heifer slaughter for the past few years. The other thing is we are pulling cattle younger and lighter. Our slaughter ages have been pushed down."

"We were slaughtering cattle at 16 months to 17 months, now we're looking at 13 months to 14 months on these cattle. The feedlots are trying to keep up their numbers. That's been the trend the whole year."

Cotton **News**

By Shawn Wade

www.plainscotton.org

from Plains Cotton Growers, Inc.

3rd Annual Texas Commodity Symposium Scheduled For December 3 In Amarillo

High Plains cotton producers should mark December 3 on their calendars and plan on a trip to Amarillo to take in the 3rd Annual Texas Commodity Symposium.

The Symposium is sponsored by the Corn Producers of Texas, Texas Grain Sorghum Association, Texas Wheat Producers Association and for the first time in 2003 Lubbock-based Plains Cotton Growers, Inc. The event is being held in conjunction with the Amarillo Farm and Ranch Show, December 2-4 at the Amarillo Civic Center.

Scheduled speakers for the Texas Commodity Symposium and the topics they are expected to address are: Trade Issues - Floyd Gaibler, USDA Deputy Under Secretary for Farm and Foreign Agricultural Services; Federal Crop Insurance - Ross Davidson, Administrator USDA Risk Management Agency; Farm Service Agency Update - John Fuston, Executive Director Texas FSA; School Finance Reform - Billy Hamilton, Texas Comptrollers Office; and USDA Pay Limit Commission Report - Dr. Ed Smith, Texas A&M University.

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High Quality Defines 2003 High Plains Crop

As High Plains cotton producers wait for a break in the weather so they can renew their 2003 harvest efforts, maintaining quality continues to be an important focus for growers eager to take advantage of higher cotton prices. So far those efforts appear to be paying off.

Overall the High Plains crop will exceed most expectations if it meets the 2.105 million bale production estimate issued by Texas Ag Statistics Service on November 12. TASS estimates are issued by crop reporting districts with the High Plains region closely mirroring the boundaries of Districts 1-N and 1-S.

Typically the sum of the estimates for these two Districts are used to represent the region's production potential.

Through November 13, the Lubbock and Lamesa USDA Cotton Classing offices have processed a total of 600,267 running bales from the 2003 crop. This is approximately 28.5 percent of the 2.105 million bales TASS has estimated.

As expected, the downside for the 2003 crop remains the significant acreage loss and associated production decrease due to widespread hail events early in the season and a record-setting dry spell in July and August that sapped much of the potential from a promising dry-land crop.

The November TASS report left harvested acreage constant from the agency's October estimate, although increases in projected yields in 1-N and 1-S caused an increase in the production forecast by 65,000 bales.

Despite the delayed start to the harvest season, the crop continues to record high marks for quality across the board.

The only quality factor that could be considered less than ideal to date is Micronaire. Mike readings have tended to be on the high side throughout the season, evidenced by the fact that 22.8 percent of the cotton classed at Lubbock and 19.7 percent of the cotton reviewed at Lamesa recorded readings of 50 or greater.

Fortunately, the Mike average appears to be moderating somewhat as the main body of the crop makes its way from field to gin.

Part of the reason for higher than expected Mike readings early on is attributed to the idea that most of the early season crop was from dryland areas that received less than optimal growing conditions.

The following table illustrates a breakdown of the key quality factors for the 2003 crop through November 13.

Bales classed:	Lubbock		Lamesa	
	Week	Season	Week	Season
104,284	407,978	44,924	192,289	
Staple				
32 & shorter	15.7%	23.1%	6.9%	16.0%
33	14.6%	18.0%	15.6%	19.9%
34	22.7%	22.9%	25.8%	26.1%
35	23.9%	20.7%	24.3%	22.2%
36 & longer	23.1%	15.4%	27.3%	15.8%
Average	34.25	33.77	34.58	33.99
Color				
11 & 21	87.3%	84.2%	78.3%	75.2%
31	4.9%	6.5%	9.8%	13.1%
41	0.1%	0.2%	1.1%	1.0%
12 & 22	5.7%	6.8%	6.8%	6.6%
32	0.8%	1.4%	1.6%	2.4%
Micronaire				
34 & below	3.5%	2.8%	4.9%	3.6%
35-36	3.6%	2.6%	4.5%	3.2%
37-42	25.7%	20.0%	23.3%	22.0%
43-49	47.5%	51.8%	46.5%	51.6%
50-52	15.2%	18.3%	16.5%	16.4%
53 & above	4.6%	4.5%	4.5%	3.3%
Average	4.47	4.55	4.46	4.50
Strength				
< 27 g/tex	13.0%	14.3%	11.9%	16.8%
28 g/tex	19.1%	18.7%	12.9%	15.7%
29 g/tex	24.1%	24.2%	16.4%	19.4%
30 g/tex	20.1%	21.3%	20.4%	19.4%
> 31 g/tex	23.6%	21.4%	38.5%	28.5%
Average	29.32	29.22	29.90	29.40

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Nov. 14, 1867
Col. Charles Goodnight drove the first Texas Longhorns into the Palo Duro Canyon.

Nov. 14, 1851
Soldiers of the Fifth Infantry began construction of an Army garrison at the junction of Elm Creek and the Clear Fork of the Brazos River in Jones County. The garrison was never officially named but was called "Fort Phantom Hill" by the soldiers.

Nov. 14, 1835
Before adjourning, the "Consultation" reapproved Sam Houston as commander-in-chief of the Texas Army and commissioned Stephen F. Austin, Branch T. Archer, and William H. Wharton, to go to the United States and appeal for aid in the Texas Revolution.

Nov. 15, 1836
Lorenzo de Zavala, the former provisional vice president of the Republic of Texas, died of pneumonia, less than a month after resigning his office.

Nov. 16, 1840
With the signing of treaties regarding trade and navigation, the United Kingdom recognized the Republic of Texas.

Nov. 17, 1875
The Texas Constitutional Convention approved a resolution setting aside 3 million acres of land in the Panhandle for the construction of a state capital. The land later became known as the XIT Ranch.

Nov. 18, 1847
11 years after her capture by Indians, Cynthia Ann Parker was seen by U.S. soldiers.

"TEXUN TAWK"

Observations On Life From A Fellow Texan
By Bill Sperry

Swim Where Ever You Can

Since water wasn't all that plentiful in West Texas, my friends and I swam in every water hole, mud hole, and earth tank we could find.

We were swimming in an earth tank, a mud hole really, and were having a tremendous time. One of the guys had driven his father's Ford tractor down to that tank to join us. He left it parked up on the dam and lo and behold, it jumped out of gear. Here it came and that guy could have gone on to the Olympics as fast as he swam after that tractor. Fortunately it didn't get in that far but it was quite a sight to see that feller get on that hot tractor without any clothes on. Right after that we noticed that a cow was lying dead next to the water so we put on our clothes and went home.

We swam a lot at Ike Reed's tank and ate a lot of the fruit off those trees. One of my friends considered himself quite a diver and made a big plunge off the board. He could hold his breath for quite a while and swim quite a distance underwater. Some other guys were skimming stones on the top of the water and that friend's coming up put his head in the line of fire. He caught a rock right between the eyes and we had to go in after him.

We would go to Roaring Springs to that pool when we could and went once with a fellow that had a fifty-model Ford with the top cut out of it. He called it his convertible but it didn't convert in to anything, the top was just gone. Anyway, there were eight or nine boys and girls in that thing, kids hanging everywhere. We got in a race with a little sports car and the 'ole Ford was so loaded neither could out run the other. When we got there we had to pour three or four quarts of my dad's forty-weight tractor oil in it. That pool down there was the coldest water I ever jumped in. The only way it felt warm was to stand under the falls, then jump in the pool. All of us boys looked like zebras as we had been plowing all summer and was brown in some places and fish belly white in others.

The worst place we ever went swimming was a place at Turkey. We were jumping off a bank, just right for diving, and couldn't understand why someone hadn't told us about this place. I noticed a young kid watching us, sitting on the bank with a big smile on his face. I ask him about this pool of water and that's when he explained that it was the Turkey sewer system. We lit out of there like a duck with his tail on fire. Every place between there and home we stopped and washed off. It's a wonder we didn't come down with some sort of fungus or something. We were really careful not to tell anyone about this episode. Like I said, we swam everywhere.

Someone told me of the passing of Johnnie Spears and I was saddened when I heard the news.

When Johnnie was carrying the mail, I always enjoyed seeing him as he came with a smile. I'm sure he had problems like the rest of us but he always had time to talk to you, even if you were just a kid.

I worked for Johnnie quite a bit as his place was just across the turn row from our place. I worked for money for my school clothes and Johnnie never turned me down when I needed a job.

Johnnie had a Chinese goose that was mean as a snake. He was alright unless you took your eye off of him as he would sneak up behind you and wring a plug out of your leg. Needless to say, that goose and I weren't buddies but Johnnie liked him.

Johnnie was a staunch supporter of athletics at Flomot when I was playing. You could always count on him being there. I could hear him in the stands yelling words of encouragement when we played. My dad wasn't much for sports but Johnnie talked him into coming to a couple basketball games and to one football game. I can still hear Johnnie hollering at the basketball games, "Stay after him Billy." It didn't matter if I was bone tired, I wasn't about to let him down. It didn't matter if we were winning or losing, he hung in there with us.

I consider it a privilege to have known Johnnie Spears and to call him my friend. This old world is diminished from his passing.

SILVERTON'S BITS & SPURS

By Lataine Dillard

Silverton Chamber Of Commerce Members Attending Last Meeting
These folks were at the last Chamber meeting. It was inadvertently left out of the article. John and Treva Burson, Rick Hutsell, Rick and Jana Beesinger, Lane B. Garvin, Kathy Kingery, Kay Hart elder, Sandi and Emmett E. Tomlin, Kyle Fuston and Deb Burson. Come and join these folks who are striving to make Silverton a better place to live.

Bits
Patricia McJimsey, Rosemary Perkins, Eudean Crow, Betty Ruth Williams and Peggy Garvin went to a gospel concert on Saturday night. They went to Plainview where they ate dinner, shopped some and then attended the concert. They said it was very good, especially the group from Lubbock.

It happened at Main Street Dollar Store in Silverton!!! Yes, it really did!!! I was checking out and heard a baby cry. It did not stop, so, being a mother, I turned to see if I could help. And then I saw it! Dusty Burson, a freshman at Silverton High, was trying to dig a baby out of the basket!!! It had paper goods piled on top of it and I was ready to help him rescue it!

By then Dusty had reached the baby's back and it quit crying. I took a closer look and then saw it was not a real baby! Dusty's mother, Lana Burson told Dusty to tell me about the "baby". It seems that during everyone's freshman year, they must take one of these "babies" around with them for two days and care for it as if it was their real baby. At the back of each baby was a series of keyholes. There are different colored keys labeled feed, change, cold, hold and maybe other things. The "parent" must go to the baby and use certain keys to figure out what is wrong with the baby. When the right key works, the baby stops crying! Lana said that one had cried eight different times the night before. Patsy Towe, Homemaking teacher sponsors these parenting projects from her Homemaking Department. All freshman must take a turn with a baby. Could this make youth think about taking on such a responsibility before they are really ready? It just might!!!

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Father came home after the snow melted off to some extent. He said there was no need in trying to find his cattle, as cattle thieves were waiting on the south side of the plains to gather them and drive them to Abilene and sell them.

In the meantime we had started to school in a one room school house. We walked about two miles to school. After Father lost most of his cattle, he decided he would make another move. He sold his land to Jeff Harkey. Mr. Harkey told him of a place down on Quitaque for sale. It was the Dire summer home. We came to Quitaque and purchased the Lee Dire home. We loaded up the wagons and rounded the stock up. Once more we had to say good-bye to the friends we had made. We never saw many of them again.

After we left Hale Center we never saw another house til we came to Plainview. There was a store and post office combined, a blacksmith shop, a four room frame building that was the hotel, and I believe there were some low sheds and a fence around it that was the livery stable. There were several sod houses and dugouts.

After leaving Plainview we never saw a human being or a house until we reached our new home. The new home consisted of six big rooms, a long porch across the east side of the house, another two room house in the back of the yard, and a log house they called the coal house. The saddle house had a cellar underneath of it and had a well with two buckets to draw water. It was good cold water. They also had a hen house with very few chickens. The house at that time was a nice one. It has been torn down and another house stands where that one stood.

Warren Merrell, the youngest of the Merrells, lives there now. It is still a beautiful place. This new home was such an improvement to the old dugouts which let in the snakes, mice, water dogs, lizards, frogs, and every insect. We will never forget the pest fleas and flies made. It was an enjoyment to live in it and to have wood to burn after gathering cow chips to cook by for so long.

Again as we had done before, we had to double the teams to go up and down the rough places in what they called roads. The road was what they called the Childress and Quitaque Caprock. The road came in from the west of our home and then went north of the house down the creek, past the F Ranch. From there I do not know. I only remember us getting to the Caprock. We children walked over the roughest places. Mother and the little ones stayed in the wagons. Ernest was a little fellow and was tired. He had been in the back all day. He asked Mother if when they got to their new home if they were ever going to move again.

Mother said, "This is our last move." They both made their word good. They both lived there until they passed away. Mother said the next move she made was going to be to heaven.

Vallye School's 3rd Six Week Honor Roll

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5th Grade - Mrs. Davidson
All A's: Landon Allen, Autumn Phillips, Khaki Scrivner, Grant Wheeler
A's & B's: Desiree Casillas, Kati Fuston, Kimberly Leal, Jarett Valdez

6th Grade
All A's: Jacob Hancock, Lacie Pointer, Payton Price, Jacy Proctor, Sadie Valdez, Lauren Young
A's & B's: Mariela Mendoza, Isaac Smith, Courtney Thibodeaux

7th Grade
All A's: Dalton Allen, Chancy Campbell, Mitchell Farley, Callie Helms, Jordan Jenkins, Brady Ramsey
A's & B's: Jeffery Addison, Dulce Chavez, Leslie Payne, Francisco Pozos, Alexandra Skinner

8th Grade
All A's: Cole Brown, Mary Kate Davidson
A's & B's: Justin Billegas, Danny Carnes, Justin Rucker, Savannah Smith, Ana Iris Valdes

Freshmen
All A's: Maddie Ramsey
A's & B's: Macy Davidson, Molly Davidson, Ana Karen Mendoza, Maricruz Pozos

Sophomores
All A's: Randy Farley, Ana Rosa Pozos
A's & B's: Jennifer Carnes

Juniors
All A's: Paige Hughes
A's & B's: Daniel Alanis, Maria Martinez, Guadalupe Mendoza, Juan Mendoza, Zack Ramsey, Enequina Valdez, Matt Whittington

Seniors
All A's: Katherine Pigg
A's & B's: Cathy Bernal, Rodney Fuston, Chase Maynard, Juan Regalado

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TDH Issues Flu Advisory, Urges Shots

The Texas Department of Health (TDH) has issued a statewide health advisory reporting heavier-than-usual influenza activity in the state and urging people to get a flu shot.

"It's not unusual to have flu occur this early in the season. What's unusual is to have this much of it this early," said Texas Commissioner of Health Eduardo Sanchez. Influenza, or flu, has been reported in several Texas counties.

"Get a flu shot," Sanchez advised. "That's the first line of defense." Authorities report that the flu vaccine is in plentiful supply this year. People wanting to get a flu shot should contact their doctors, employers or local public health departments or watch for announcements from supermarkets and other businesses offering the shot to the public.

Flu season officially begins in October and runs through May, usually reaching its peak in Texas in January and February. This season's vaccine protects against the A/Panama, A/New Caledonia and B/Hong Kong strains of the influenza virus and against other similar strains.

Most people six months or older can receive the flu vaccine, but it is especially encouraged for children 6 months to 23 months, people 50 and older, residents of nursing homes and other long-term care facilities, diabetics, women who will be in their second or third trimester of pregnancy during flu season, people with weakened immune systems and people who have asthma or other chronic respiratory, heart or kidney conditions. It takes about two weeks for the vaccine to be effective.

Influenza is a viral respiratory illness marked by the sudden onset of fever, headache, extreme tiredness, dry cough, sore throat, runny or stuffy nose and muscle aches. The illness is spread when an infected person coughs, sneezes or talks, sending the highly contagious virus into the air. As a flu control measure, Sanchez stressed that people with flu symptoms should stay home to avoid infecting classmates or colleagues.

Influenza is not a reportable illness in Texas, so exact flu case numbers are not known. Instead, TDH relies on a surveillance network of reporting sites around the state to track influenza levels and identify circulating strains of the virus.

More information about the flu is available online at: www.tdh.state.tx.us

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