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# Honoring Those Who Served

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#### James Reddell Irby

James Irby entered the Armed Forces on December 14, 1941. He served in the U.S. Army Air Corps. He trained at Ephrata, Washington, and Sioux City, Iowa in Heavy Bomber Training. James went overseas on October 28, 1942. He served in the Theatre of Operations in the Central Pacific Glibert and Marshall Islands. He was decorated with the Air Medal and four Clusters.

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By Earlyne Jameson



G.P. Driskill, Jr.

G.P. Driskill, Jr. entered the Armed Forces on November 27, 1942. He served in the U.S. Navy Seabees. He trained at Camp Bradford, Virginia, and Oxnard, California. G. P. went overseas in March of 1943. He served in the Theatre of Operations in the Pacific and participated in the capture and occuand also in Engagements at pation of Guam. He was decorated with a Bronze Star on Asiatic-Pacific Campaign Ribbon.

ledal and four Clusters. He returned to the U.S. in James returned to the U.S. October of 1945 and was discharged on December 15, 1945 charged on February 28, 1947 at at Camp Wallace, Texas. He Fort Dix, New Jersey. He served served a total of thirty six and a total of seventy four months one-half months and achieved the rank of Electrician's Mate

Cody Barclay Injured In Electrical Accident

Cody Barclay of Borger, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Barclay, suf-

fered second degree burns Tuesday morning, April 30th when work-

ing on high voltage electrical equipment that exploded at a plat in

Guymon, Oklahoma. He was conveyed by an emergency flight to

ries. He returned home, Friday but will be under medical care

and treatment at the University Medical Center Burn Unit in Lubbock. He is employed by D.D. Rice Construction Company

Local Racers Exhibit

Cars At Benefit Show

The Plainview Roadrunner Car Club hosted their annual Meals

on Wheels Car Show May 4th and 5th. Over 150 cars were on

display inside the Ollie Liner Center in Plainview Three local

drag racers took this opportunity to show off their cars to a crowd

Car show attendees were delighted early by the first car on dis-

play. Dale Ramsey's 1982 Super Pro Camaro with new custom

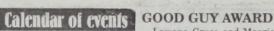
graphic paint was the center stage car. The customized racer

Coy Franks of Flomot also placed in the competition class with

Barbara Mayfield of Silverton also displayed her 1987 Camaro.

Her custom Shannon Jackson paint was awarded a first place tro-

a runner up trophy. His solid black 1982 Pontiac Firebird was a





He was wearing goggles, protective suit, gloves and a helmet, but because of intense heat he suffered facial, hand and arm inju-May 9 -Turkey City Council meeting @

May 10 Washington Bluegrass Festival in Flomot begins today

May 11 Terry Smith in concert at the Gem Theatre @ 7 p.m.

May 12 -Mothers Day May 13

-Turkey Lions Club meeting @

Valley Board of Trustees -Quitaque City Council @ 5 p.m. Quitaque Firemen's meeting

-We the Women meeting @ 12

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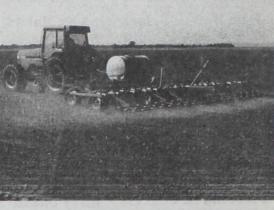
Lawana Cruse and Margie Pinkerton would like to recommend Tommy Pinkerton and Ed Hammock for the "Good Guy Award". These boys drove from Talahenia, OK, which is down southeast of Oklahoma City, to help the Turkey Roost Museum move tables for the Highway 70 Garage Sale and they moved several large hospital items from the clinic to the museum. They also took Ying Lyles' washpot down and brought it to the museum for these ladies. The pot was donated by Austene and belonged to her grand-mother Nell Lyles. Way to Go "Good Guys", keep up the good

### Christopher Taylor Among **FCCLA Members Receiving** HoustonLivestock Show & Rodeo Scholarship

Houston Livestock Show & Rodeo officials presented \$100,000 in scholarships to Family, Career and Community Leaders of America members during the Texas FCCLA State Leadership Conference on April 27 in Corpus Christi, Texas.

Among the 10 scholarship recipients was Christopher Glen Taylor of Quitaque, a student at Valley High School. With his \$10,000 scholarship, Christopher plans to study mechanical engineering at Texas Tech University. He is the son of Kathryn and Walter Taylor.

The show has presented more than 18,000 educational awards since its first scholarship in In addition to FCCLA scholarships, the show awards 4-H, FFA, Area Go Texan, Metropolitan, Opportunity and School Art scholarships as part of its current educational commitment of more than \$8.5 million. Since the show's educational program began in 1957, more that \$85 million has been committed to the youth of Texas through scholarships and educational programs.



Local Farmers Get Ready For Planting Season With recent rains and the promise of a new improved Farm Bill local farmers prepare their fields for the season. This farmer

in the Gasoline area applies Treflan in preparation for planting. 

# Is Our Groundwater Source In Jeopardy?

Coalition Files Suit To Stop Shiner Designation

A coalition of ag groups including the Texas Cattle Feeders Association (TCFA) filed a lawsuit on April 25, 2002 in Federal District Court in Albuquerque, N.M. that challenges the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service's designation of critical habitat for the Arkansas River Shiner.

"We believe the Fish and Wildlife Service has violated the Endangered Species Act by failing to conduct a proper economic analysis of their designation of critical habitat for the shine;" said Ross Wilson, TCFA vice president. "The Service is saying basically that there will be no economic impact from designating critical habitat. We believe the opposite is true.

About 98% of the total critical habitat area is held in private ownership and habitat designation could restrict land use and groundwater pumping in the listed areas. "We have maintained all along and continue to maintain that designating critical habitat isn't necessary," Wilson said. "We have also repeatedly said that the government failed to follow its own definition for critical habitat and has failed to use adequate scientific and economic evi-

The Arkansas River Shiner is a small minnow found in portions of the Canadian and south Canadian Rivers in New Mexico, Texas and Oklahoma, the Arkansas River in Kansas, and the Cimarron River in Kansas and Oklahoma.

The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service listed the shiner as threatened in November 1998. At that time, the service determined that critical habitat designation would not provide any additional benefit. The Service later declared the critical habitat designation due to a court ordered settlement with the Center for Biological Diver sity, an environmental group.

Critical habitat is defined as specific geographic areas that are essential for the conservation and recovery of a threatened or endangered species and that may require special management con-

Included as defendants in the lawsuit are Gale Norton, U.S. Secretary of the Interior, and Steve Williams, Director of the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service. Lawyers for the coalition are Michael Kleina and Craig Douglas of Smith, Robertson, Elliot & Glen, L.L.P

The coalition consists of Texas Cattle Feeders Association, Nev Mexico Cattle Growers Association, Texas & Southwestern Cattle Raisers Association, Oklahoma Cattlemen's Association, Kansas Livestock Association, Oklahoma Farm Bureau, Kansas Farm Bureau, Canadian River Municipal Water Authority, High Plains Underground Water Conservation District #1, Environmental Federation of Oklahoma, ProAg of Oklahoma, Settlers Ditch Co., Oklahoma Farmers Union, Hitch Enterprises, Panhandle Groundwater Conservation District, North Plains Underground Water Conservation District, and Oklahoma Panhandled Irrigation and Agriculture Association. The coalition efforts are being coordinated through the Oklahoma Agricultural Legal Foundation at (405) 523-

# PUBLIC INVITED TO TEXAS PLAINS TRAIL MEETING IN TULIA MAY 14

The Texas Historical Commission, (THC) will host an organizational meeting onn May 14 to assist the Texas Plains Trail Region in preparing an application for designation as a Texas Heritage Trail. The meeting will be held in the Tulia Chamber of Commerce in the Swisher Memorial Building, 127 SW Second St., Tulia, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Registration is requested and lunch will be provided.

Purpose of the meeting is to help those interested in developing the region as a heritage tourism attraction to prepare their application for official designation, according to Janie Headrick, director of the Texas Heritage Trails Program.

Anyone interested in promoting their historic and cultural resources to tourists, particularly museum directors, heritage society members, Main Street managers, chamber of commerce directors convention and visitor bureau directors, city managers, economic development directors, historic site operators, county judges, county historical commission members and county extension agents in the

region are urged to try to attend this meeting. Texas Plains Trail Region covers 51 North Central Texas counties, and includes Cottle, Childress, Collingsworth, Dickens, Hardeman, King, Motley, Briscoe, Floyd, and Foard counties.

The Texas Heritage Trails Program is a regional tourism initiative of the THC. The program helps Texas communities promote tourism, revitalize local economies and foster community leadership through historic preservation.

For more information on the meetings or the Program, contact Janie Headrick, director, at 512/ 463-5754. To register for the meeting, contact Lana Barnett at the Tulia Chamber of Commerce, 806



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### **Turkey Roost Museum News**

A beautiful day greeted those coming to Turkey on Saturday for the Highway 70 Garage Sale Day. We had no idea how this activity would be received, but people came all day in large numbers. What was more surprising was the distance they came from, but one lady said "if you build, we will come." They did come from as far west and south as Odessa, Lubbock, Levelland, then on up north to Amarillo and all across the Panhandle over to Childress, Wichita Falls, Ft. Worth and back across the South Plains. One of the ladies from Lubbock said she was having a wonderful time. She said "You small town people have all the fun, in the city all we have is rudeness, disrespect, and no love of your neighbor"

The goal for the museum was to make enough money to buy a metal welcome sign that we've had our eyes on at Memphis. We reached our goal and the next time one of us is in Memphis we will

Billy Pinkerton drove to Loraine before Bob Wills Day and picked up two large antique metal plow wheels which were given to us by my cousin. Doug Roberts has placed one of the wheels in a frame

and it will be used in the east window as a security guard.

We appreciate all the ladies who donated their baked goods. They went quickly and helped us reach our goal. At this time we are planning to keep the museum open on Saturdays and hope you will drop by and we welcome your comments and suggestions.

#### John Walker & Jack Greubel Make CD

On Feb. 16 at the Gem Theatre John Walker, the Floyd Cramer sound alike piano player and Jack Greubel, the drummer who was Floyd Cramer's drummer for fourteen years, did a concert and it was really great. They have now made a CD and John says they are very pleased with it. It is called "Warm Country Heart". This is also the title of one of the songs on it that was written by John. The CD includes songs of John Connally, Dolly Parton, Bob Wills, Willie Nelson and of course, Floyd Cramer, including Last Date. On May 11 Jack Greubel will again be appearing at the Gem Theatre as drummer in the band that plays for the T erry Mmith concert. He will have some of these CD's for sale at that time. John and Jack have high hopes for this CD and we wish them much success

# The Turkey Heritage Foundation Presents In Concert ~ Terry Smith "A Songwriter With A Different Touch"

From Nashville, Tennessee Terry was voted by the Traditional Music Association as its songwriter of the Year in both 1995 and 1996. He wrote the song "Far Side Banks of Jordan" which is featured twice in Robert Duvall's movie, The Apostle. It has been recorded by more than fifty artists including Johnny and June Carter Cash, and Allison Kraus and has won three Grammys. Terry has written about 2000 songs and some of them have been recorded by such greats as Kitty Wells, The Oak Ridge Boys, Chris LeDoux, Roy Acuff and others.

A traditional singer in his own right Terry has released five albums of original material to date. He writes gospel, ballads, novelty, story songs, honky-tonk, and western swing. You need to listen closely to every word because he has such a unique way with words. He is indeed a "Songwriter With A Different Touch" His novelty songs will certainly make you laugh and his ballads, story songs and love songs touch not just your heart, but your soul as well. Terry was raised in Denton, Texas and says his roots are still in Texas. He taught English and coached baseball in schools in Texas and Tennessee before he gave it up to become a full time singer and songwriter. He has steadily built a following over the years in Europe, Australia, New Zealand, and the U.S. Terry will be backed by some of the Turkey Gems with special guest drum-mer, Jack Greubel. Jack played drums for Floyd Cramer for 14 years as well as for ChetAtkins, Boots Randolph, and other greats.

Opening Act will feature Pat Seigler from Matador This exciting event will take place on Saturday, May 11, 2002 at 7:00 p.m. at the Gem Theatre in Turkey, Texas. Admission is \$8.00. For more information call (806) 423-1273.

#### **Onion Pests Resist Insecticides**

USDA scientists are studying how onion pests develop resistance to synthetic pyrethroids. Synthetic pyrethroids are a class of widely used insecticides. Growers are reporting a decline in mortality rates of onion thrips treated with Warrior and Ammo, which are two commonly used synthetic pyrethroids. Onion thrips and western flower onion thrips are the main onion pests. The tiny insects feed on onion leaves, and reduce the size and value of onion bulbs. Synthetic pyrethroids disrupt en insect's central nervous system and cause muscular paralysis. Recent tests on thrips treated with pyrethroids showed only a 20 percent mortality rate. Last year the insecticides provided 50 to 70 percent mortality rate.

# 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Washington Cattle Co. Bluegrass Festival To Be Held May 10,11 & 12 In Flomot

Once again Flomot, Texas will be alive with the sound of "Bluegrass Music" on May 10, 11 and 12, 2002. The ThirdAnnual Washington Cattle Co. Bluegrass Festival will begin at 6:00 p.m. on Friday, May 10 and the stage music will play until 11:00 p.m. Friday night. On Saturday, the music begins at 11:00 a.m. and goes until 11:00 p.m. The Sunday morning devotional will start at 9:30 a.m. followed by gospel music until 12:00 noon. The Festival will take place on the grounds of the Flomot Community Center In the event of bad weather, the Festival will move into the gym. Spectators are asked to bring their lawn chairs for the most com-

Bands from Oklahoma, Texas, and New Mexico will be on hand May 15 to entertain the crowd. Eight bands will play during the Festival. But, the official bands are just half of the fun. All over the festival grounds will be groups playing and jamming at all hours. Everyone that plays an instrument is welcome to come and join in the music. If you don't play you are welcome to wander the grounds and listen to the various groups.

The Festival is an event that the entire family can enjoy Several of the bands feature young people. The Dyson Family Band is a couple and their children; Triple L is three boys accompanied by

Food booths will be setup on the grounds. Everyone is invited to come to Flomot and listen to great music and eat with one of the

A large group of RV ers is expected to start arriving on Wednesday, May 8. RV paring is \$8.00 per night and hookups are still available with Festival ticket purchase. Festival tickets are \$6.00 for Friday, \$10.00 for Saturday, and Sunday is free with children under 12 admitted free at all times

For more information please call 806-469-5278.

# OBITUARIE

Billy Cecil Roys, 63, of Amarillo died Friday, April 19, 2002.

Services were held in Cornerstone Baptist Church with the Rev. James Burns, of San Jacinto Full Gospel, and the Rev Coy Wylie, of Cornerstone Baptist Church, officiated. Burial was in Memory Gar dens Cemetery.

Mr. Roys was born in Stith. He farmed and ranched in Flomot before moving to Amarillo in 1988. He played the guitar and sang gospel usic at various church organizations and nursing homes

He was a member of San Jacinto Full Gospel Church where he led and directed the music. He married Sandra Ann Haskins in 1994 at

He was preceded in death by his father, Cecil George Roys, in 1975; and a brother, Sonny Roys, in 1992. Survivors include his wife; four

sons, Billy Joe Roys of Lubbock, Johnny Roys of Amarillo, Eddie Roys of Quitaque and Mark Roys of Abernathy; five daughters, Dee Dee Payne of Quitaque, Prissy Clayton of Abernathy, Terri Robertson and Vickie Andreu, both of Amarillo, and Carla Balha of Mart; his mother Maddin Roys of Amarillo; five brothers, Rudolph Roys of Kingsland, Charley Roys of Dumas, Delbert Roys and Joe David Thomas, both of Amarillo, and Richard Roys of Lubbock; three sisters, Allene Townsend of Ozona, Betty Gonzales of Amarillo and Pearl Hill of Hawley;

and 28 grandchildren.

The family suggests memorial be to BSA Hospice

#### Nola Anderson

Services for Nola Moseley Ander son, 74, of Tulia, former resident o Flomot, were held Wednesday, May 1, 2002 at the First Baptist Church in Tulia with the Rev. Charles Dav enport officiating. Burial was in the Rose Hill Cemetery.

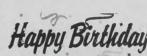
She died Sunday, April 28, 2002 Mrs. Anderson was born Novem ber 6, 1927 in Flomot where she at tended school. She married Alto Anderson January 19, 1946 in Flo not. They were owners of the John Deere Implement on Flomot until they moved to Tulia in 1962. He died June 7, 1984. She was a member of the First Baptist Church.

Survivors include a daughter Linda Dold of Overland Park, Kansas; two sons, Tommy of Tulia and Gary of Castro Valley, California; 11 grandchildren and five great grand-

The family suggests memorials to the First Baptist Church Scholarship Fund or BSA Hospice.

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Throw your dreams into space like a kite, and you do not know what it will bring back, a nev life, a new friend, a new love, a new country.



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May 10 Mr & Mrs Jimmy Ross Mr & Mrs Wes Musgrave Mr & Mrs G.P. Driskill May 15 Mr & Mrs Ron Yorston May 16 May 17

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#### Leonard L. Lusk

Graveside services for Leonard L. Lusk, 89, of Lubbock were held Ionday, May 6, 2002 at Resthaven Memorial Park with Ellmore Johnson officiating.

Mr. Lusk died Saturday May 4, 2002 at his residence. He was born august 4, 1912 in Graham, Texas to Johnny Reagan and Dicie Elizabeth Lusk. He finished school in Quitaque and married Vaudene Arnold on December 15, 1935. He later moved to Turkey and then to Memphis where he owned and operated Lusk Dry Cleaners. He was well known in the community for picking up hitchhikers and bringing them home for dinner. He was a member of Lions Clubs in Turkey and Memphis. He moved to Lubbock in 1984. He was a volunteer for South Plains Food Bank, Carillon, and Lubbock Hospitality House. He was a mem-ber of Quaker Avenue Church of

Christ.

He spent his life serving and giv ing to others. He is survived by his wife of the home; two daughters Jo Beth Smith of Lubbock and Sue Guest of Arlington; one sister, Gladys Wilson of Olton, five grand children and nine great great grandchildren. He is preceded in death by one sister, Arlene Clark in 2002 and one brother J.R. Lusk in

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#### Larissa Skinner Receives Award At **South Plains College**

at South Plains College in Levelland vas honored with a General Psychology Award on May 2, 2002 at the South Plains College Awards Ceremony. She is a member of Phi Thetta Kappa, is on the Presidents Honor Roll and is a scholarship recipient in Broadcast Journalism. She is a 2001 graduate of Valley High

Lacey is the daughter of Walter and Kay Skinner of Quitaque and she is the sister of Alexandra. She is the granddaughter of Ellen Skinner and the late Ruel Skinner of Quitaque and Grady and Jean Phillips of Gainsville.

In old Anglo-Saxon, the word æppel meant both the eye's pupil and the apple. Hence the expression "the apple of his eye."

It is very useful to struggle with the habit of giving immediate expression to all of one's

#### Wendell Farley **Awarded WTAMU** Scholarship

Wendell Farley, a freshman computer information system major, re cently was awarded the C.C. Callerman Scholarship. This scholarship was awarded by the WTAMU T. Boone Pickens College of Business at its annual convocation on April 25, 2002.

#### Mindy Proctor Is Recipient Of WTAMU Scholarship

The College of Education and Social Sciences at West Texas A&M University awarded Mindy Proctor, a sophomore social work major, the Mahatma Gandhi Memorial Scholarship. She received this award during iWTAMU's sixth annual honor banquet "Foundations for Success: The Future Starts Here" on Saturday, April 20.

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# Happy Mother's Day Sunday May 12, 2002

A mother can be young or old; They come in any state. They can be reticent or bold, And often up-to-date; With some enjoying a career Which helps them to progress, While taking care of loved ones dear Who welcome their success. In business or in apron strings. Pour mother showed the way To cope with what the future brings And how to live each day. So children, call her bless'd; Whatever may have been her ways. Your Mother Did Her West. - Gloria Rowak

Remember pour Mother this Mother's Day.



Do you ever feel that life on a bicycle?
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#### **OVERHEARD**

Do you ever feel that life is like a car wash and you are going through

April Showers Bring Optimism to M.C. Farmers and Ranchers

April showers allowed Mother Nature to show off her spring ensemble and allowed us to take a breath of clean air. Green now dominates the country side and wheatland with a promise of hope for continued mois-

ture. My husband wonders if he didn't have an interest in agricultural operations if he would enjoy rain as much as he does now.

Total moisture for the month of April reported by Motley County National Weather Service Volunteers: Buzz Thacker, Roaring Springs 2.19 inches; Kelly Meyer, Matador 1.45 inches; Betty Simpson, Northfield 1.44 inches; Jim Stockton, Whiteflat 1.80 inches; and Tommie Jo Cruse, Flo

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Mrs. Dusty (Julie) Whitaker, her mother, Mrs. Mackey McEntire of Sterling City and sister, Monica McEntire of Lubbock enjoyed the performance of "Les Miserables" last Saturday night at the Lubbock Coliseum

At the bedside of Cody Barclay in Wichita, Kansas from Tuesday until Friday was his wife, Amanda of Borger, parents, Sandra and Jerry Barclay and aunt, Mrs. Connie Franks of Flomot, brother and wife, Mr . and Mrs. Lance Barclay of Lubbock. They were very appreciative of the good medical treatment and attention Cody received and the courtesy of the medical staff for the family.

Mr. and Mrs. Travis Kendall, houseguest, her father, Richard March of Garden Grove, California, Mr. and Mrs. Tim Kendall, Jere and Jacob visited during the weekend in Midland with Mr. and Mrs. Cory Kendall, Chancey and Connor. They celebrated Connor's second birthday with all the trimmings, Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Michael Starkey of Canyon visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Starkey, Saturday. They completed a new car port for them.

Emily and Haley Milam of Petersburg visited from Friday until T uesday with their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Clois Shorter. Their parents, Christi and Dwain Milam were sponsors of Petersburg High School senior trip to Disney World in Florida.

Mary Ellen Barton enjoyed the Cowboy Camp Meeting at the Mott

Mr. and Mrs. Coy Franks visited in Lubbock, Sunday with Cary Franks and Sorrel Schmidt. Also visiting was Cara Franks of Canyon.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Starkey received a telephone call Sunday from daughter and husband, Bessie and Clifton Reid of Amarillo, who are in Paris, France on a vacation tour. Mr. and Mrs. Starkey were in Plainview, Monday for her a dental appointment.

Tom Ross attended the Ross Cousins family reunion Friday night held in the home of Lesley Hopkins in Crowell. Mrs. Tom Ross and Aleda Elaine enjoyed entertainment in Plainview Sunday afternoon.

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The Motley County Youth Organization Mini Olympics Fundraiser May 18th, 2002

At the Motley Co. Football Field Starting at 10:00 a.m. All children ages 2 years thru 6th Grade are invited to attend! Each child needs to fill out a registration form and there will be a \$ 5:00 entry fee to enter one or all of the events.

For Registration forms or for more information please call; Tammy Simpson at 347-2663 (8 a.m. - 4 p.m.)

or Kim Woolsey at 348-7011 or

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# COOK'S CORNER

What great people read the Val-ley Tribune! Last week was the first time for the Reader's Recipe Exchange and so many nice people sent in recipes and questions already. This means that YOU are in luck if you are looking for a long lost recipe, to recreate a dish you have only eaten in a restaurant or elsewhere, or have a cooking ques-tion. There are good cooks out there who will take the time to Email, fax or mail an answer to your question, so get yours in this week! In response to a request for Cho-

In response to a request for Cho-colate Mayonnaise Cake, two read-ers sent in different versions, so I'll print them both since each sounds delicious.B.J. Griffin sent this one: CHOCOLATE MAYONNAISE CAKE 1 Super Moist chocolate cake mix

1 cup mayonnaise(NOT salad dressing) 1 cup water

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Mix all ingredients together and bake according to package direc-tions. May be baked in a 13x9x2 pan or a bundt pan. Frost with your favorite chocolate icing or per-haps 7-Minute icing would be good. Evelyn Tucker sent this \$1,000,000 Cake recipe. It sounds

\$1,000,000 CAKE 2 cups flour

1/4 cup cocoa 1 1/2 teaspoons baking powder 1 1/2 teaspoons soda

Mix well. Add: 1 cup Miracle Whip Salad Dressing 1 cup cold water

1 cup cold water 2 teaspoons vanilla Pour into pan and bake for 30 minutes at 375 degrees. Frost cooled cake with this icing: CHOCOLATE ICING

1 whole egg 2 squares baking chocolate 3 tablespoons milk

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Stir all together in sauce pan and
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until soft ball stage. Boil about a
minute or two. Remove from fire,
add 1 teaspoon vanilla; cool. Beat
until creamy and spread on cake.
June of Richland Hills is still

looking for a Spry Shortening Cookbook. She really wants to make those Oatmeal Cookies

again.

If anyone has a recipe for CAR-ROT JAM, an anonymous reader intends to put it to good use with her garden carrots.

Linda S. would like some cold soup recipes to beat the summer heat. Send in your favorite!

M.L. likes to use fresh parsley, but finds it wilts and gets mushy quickly in the refrigerator, and wants to know how to store it longer. To keep parsley fresh for several weeks, wash the entire bunch in warm water, shake off all excess moisture, wrap in paper towels and warm water, snake off all excess moisture, wrap in paper towels and seal in a plastic bag. If you need to store it longer, remove paper towels and place the sealed bag in the freezer. Then simply break off and crumble the amount you need for soups, stews and other cooked dishard. This is a group way to preserve

es. This is a good way to preserve the garden paraley to use later. Now a housekeeping item-several of you have wondered if I have quit printing my ideas for cheap, fast,and delicious food. Absolutely not! I just laid back for a couple weeks to get this new Exchange going, then I'll give you recipe and menu ideas along with the reader

questions and answers. Thanks for your interest. Thank you to all who sent recipes and questions this week. I'll look foreward to hearing from more of you great cooks in the future. Send your contribution to The Valley Tribune by E-Mail to vtaylor@caprock-spur.com., by FAX to (806) 455-1101, or by mail to Box 478, Quitaque, TX 79255. GOD BLESS AMERICA!

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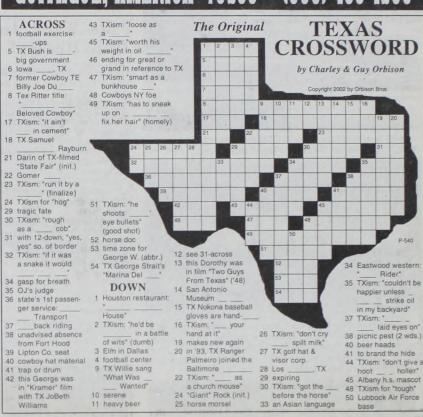
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Paducah Little Dribblers Tournament 1st Place Winners. Bottom Row L to R: Frankie Pozos, Dalton Allen, Armando Santos, Cesar Mendoza, Brady Ramsey Top Row L to R: Coach Philip Hancock, Jose Galvan, Mitchell Farley John Luke Shannon, Jacob Hancock, Isaac Smith, Coach Mark

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# PRE-K REGISTRATION FOR **SCHOOL YEAR 2002-2003**

PRE-K REGISTRATION FOR THE 2002-2003 SCHOOL YEAR WILL BE TUESDAY MAY 14, 2002 FROM 1:00-3:00 P.M. PLEASE BRING BIRTH CERTIFICATE, SHOT RECORD AND SOCIAL SECURTIY NUMBER. NEEDS TO BE 4 YEARS OLD BY SEPTEMBER 1, 2002

## REGISTRACION PARA PRE-K ESCUELA EL ANO 2002-2003

LA REGISTRACION DE LOS NINOS DE PRE-KINDER PARA EL ANO 2002-2003 SERA EN LA ESCUELA DE VALLEY EL MARTES 14, DE MAYO 2002. SERA A LAS 1:00-3:00 P.M. POR FAVOR DE TRAER PAPEL DE NACIEMIENTO, DE VACUNAS Y SEGURO SOCIAL. NECESITA TENER 4 ANOS PARA EL PRIMER DIA DE SEPTIEMBRE 2002

SCHOOL LUNCH MENU

Monday, May 13

Breakfast: Sausage, Biscuits,

Lunch:, Corn Dogs, French Fries, Salad, Banana Pudding, Milk Tuesday, May 14

Breakfast: Toast, Apple Sauce,

Lunch: Frito Chili Pie, Pork & Beans, Onions, Cheese, Peaches, Milk

Wednesday, May 15 Breakfast: Cereal, OJ/Milk

Lunch: BBQ Chicken, Potato Salad, Green Beans, Garlic Bread, Thursday, May 16

This Week In

Presidio and Villa de Bejar

founded by Governor Martin de

First contingent of Rough Riders

arrived in San Antonio to begin

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Breakfast: French Toast Sticks, Syrup, Applesauce, OJ/Milk Lunch: Ham & Cheese Sandwiches, Lettuce, Tomatoes, Chips,

Friday, May 17 Breakfast: Donuts, OJ/Milk

Lunch: Pizza, Salad, Milk **ት ሴ ሴ ሴ ሴ ሴ ሴ ሴ ሴ ሴ ሴ** 

# SENIOR SPOTLIGHT

**Robert Valdes BIRTHDAY: 12-8-83** AGE: 18

PARENTS: Serafin & Seferina

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#### Valley FFA Attend Area I Convention

Valley FFA members will be attending the Area I Convention in Amarillo on May 10th and 11th. Valley will be represented by over ten members who will be competing for scholarships and awards. Matt Whittington will serve on the Courtesy Corp and Zack Ramsey is representing the Greenbelt District for Star Greenhand in Ag. Production. Katherine Pigg was elected Greenbelt District Reporter and will help run the convention.
Valley will send for applications to the state degree check in Stephenville for Lone Star Degrees. Those applying are JC Pigg, Scarlett Sperry, Leigh Anne Nielsen, and Tessa Kelley. Hannah Boedeker is running for Area I State Officer Candidate. She is also competing for the R yan Mott Scholarship and the John Justin "Standard of the West" Scholarship. Hannah is a finalist for the Houston Livestock Show Scholarship. V alley FFA will be having their annual chapter banquet May 16th at 6:30 p.m. Everyone is invited to attend and RSVP's would be appreciated.

The term skyscraper was first applied to The Auditorium build-ing. Built in Chicago, it was completed in 1889. It was ten stories

Author Mark Twain held three one for a scrap book with adhesive-coated pages, and one for a game to help children remember



Levi Franklin Curry BIRTHDAY: October 8, 1983

PARENTS: Larry & Amanda

FAVORITE QUOTE: "Success is the result of backbone not wishbone." Abraham Lincoln
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FAVORITE HIGH SCHOOL MEMORY: My first high school

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Opening act will be PAT SEIGLER of Matador.

WHERE: Gem Theatre in Turkey, Texas WHEN: Saturday, May 11, 2002 TIME: 7:00 p.m. ADMISSION: \$8:00 Call (806) 423-1273 for Ticket Information The Valley Tribune, 6

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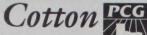
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How To Figure Out The Farm Bill

With the Farm Security and Rural Investment Act of 2002 (FSRI) approaching the finish line, figuring out how and where the new legislation will impact growers has become the number one topic of conversation.

The most important aspect of the new bill for growers to understand is that while it is a significant improvement in the level and certainty of support that will be available for program crops, it is also a different animal in terms of how that support is structured and delivered.

With the reintroduction of target prices and counter -cyclical payments (on a decoupled basis); the continuation of direct, decoupled payments; and the continuation of the marketing loan there are lots of ways that the program can be misunderstood in terms of how much support is provided

compared to year to year production of a given commodity.

First and foremost for growers to keep in mind is that support provided through the direct and the counter cyclical payments are not dependent on what crop a grower chooses to plant in any given yeer.

In fact, the only portion of the current bill that is tied directly to production are those associated with the Loan Program and the ability of the

grower to receive loan level support on actual production amounts.

One important aspect of the final agreement was the inclusion of rules allowing 2001 crops grown on non-AMT A farms to be able to receive loan deficiency payments (LDP's) with beneficial interest requirements waived for the 2001 crops. for the 2001 crop.

With that basic understating the task of sorting out just how each of these phases will be implemented and carried out can be attempted. The following is based on current understanding of the legislation PAYMENT LIMITATIONS

For purpose of the FSRI, payment limitations have been imposed which limit the amount of support a single producer ids eligible to receive through each phase of the program.

The other new limitation, set for implementation in 2003, is a Means test that will exclude any person/entity from receiving farm program pay ments whose three year average Adjusted Gross Income is greater than \$2.5 million dollars. A persons/ entity whose AGI is greater than \$2.5 million can retain program eligibility if they receive 75 percent of the average AGI from farming and ranching.

Of key importance to cotton is the fact that the current rules regarding spouses, actively engaged in farming and the 3 entity rule have been with no changes

LOAN: Individual producers will maintain 100 percent access to the benefits provided through the marketing loan program. The FSRI  $\,$  Act renews the \$75,000 per person limit on benefits received through loan deficiency payments and marketing loan gains included in the 1996 Farm bill and adds the ability to redeem cotton entered in the loan with non-

transferable generic marketing certificates.

DIRECT: The FSRI Act limits the amount a single producer can re-

counter cyclical program payments to \$40,000.

COUNTER-CYCLICAL: The FSRI payment limit on new decoupled counter cyclical program payments is set at \$65,000 per person.

MARKETING LOAN PROGRAM: Marketing loan provisions are essentially unchanged under the FSRI Act. The only real differences are in the levels at which base commodity loan rates are set and the change to a

9 month loan repayment periods.

The following chart shows the applicable base loan rates for loan eligible commodities, excluding graded and nongraded wool and mohair

Commodity	Loan Rate 2002-2003	Loan Rate 2004-2007
Upland Cotton (lb)	\$0.52	50.52
ELS Cotton (lb)	50.7977	\$0.7977
Corn (bu)	\$1.98	\$1.95
Sorghum (bu)	- \$1.98	51.95
Wheat (bu)	\$2.80	52.75
Soybeans (bu)	\$5.00	\$5.00
Rice (cwt)	\$6.50	\$6.50
Barley (bu)	\$1.88	\$1.85
tain (hu)	\$1.35	51.33
Peanuts (\$/ton)	\$355.00	\$355.00
Min. Oilsoods (lb)	50.0960	\$0.0930
Dry Peas (cwt)	\$6.33	56.22
Lenfils (cwt)	\$1.04	\$11.72
Sinail Chickpeas (cwt)	57.56	\$7.43

	Direct	Target Prices		
	Payment Rate 2002-2007	2002-2003	2004-2007	
	50.28	\$2.60	52,63	
Sorghum(bu)	\$0.35	\$2.54	\$2.57	
Barley (bu)	50.24	52.21	52.24	
Oats(bu)	\$0.024	\$1.40	51.44	
Wheat (bu)	\$0.52	53.86	53.92	
Sovbeam (bu)	\$0.44	55.80	\$5.80	
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Rice (cwt)	\$2.35	\$10,50	\$10.50	

DIRECT, DECOUPLED PAYMENTS

PAYMENT FORMULA: Direct, decoupled payment rates have been established for individual program crops under the FSRI Act as shown in the table above. Direct payments will be made using the following for mula: (Direct Payment Rate) X (Current AMTA Yield) X (Established Base

BASES: Growers will have the option to retain either their current AMTA Base acres plus any additional oilseed base they qualify for; OR, update the AMTA base acres using their 1998 - 2001 planted and prevented planted acres to all covered commodities.

PAYMENT YIELDS: Payment yield for the direct decoupled payment will remain at the current AMTA payment yield for all crops except soybeans which will have a yield calculated to reflect the average soybean payment yield for the comparable 81 - 85 time frame in which current rields were established.

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TIMING OF PAYMENTS: Direct payments under this section will be made as follows: An Advance payment equal to 50 percent of the direct payment rate will be available beginning December 1 of the year prior to the year the crop is harvested, and the balance of the payment will be made in October of the year in which the crop is harvested.

COUNTER-CYCLICAL PAYMENTS

PAYMENT FORMULA: Counter-Cylical Payments (CC) have been established for individual program crops under the FSRI Act using the target prices shown in the table above. CC payments rates will be figured using the Target Price established for the individual crop minus the dithe crop or the Average Price received by Farmers for the crop at the end of the 12 month marketing year (August 1 - July 31 for cotton). CC payment rates will be calculated using the following formula:

CC RATE= (Target Price ) - (Direct Payment Rate)- (Higher of Loan Rate or Average Price received by Growers)

If triggered, CC payments will be aid using the following formula: (CC Rate) X (CC Payment Yield) X (Established Base Acres) X (0.85).

PAYMENT YIELDS: Producers will have the option to update the

PAYMENT YIELDS: Producers will have the option to update the current AMTA payment yield for purposes of calculating CC payments or retaining their current AMTA payment yield.

Anyone opting to update AMTA payment yields for purposes of calculating their CC payment will be required to also update their AMTA base acres to reflect the average of 98 - 01 planted and prevented planted acres.

If elected, updated yields will be assigned at the higher of 70% of the

difference between current AMTA yields and a full yield update based on 98 - 01 yields on planted acreage OR 93.5% or 98 - 01 yields on planted acreage. The provision also provides a "plug" of 75% of the county average yield for years in which the actual farm yield is less than the county

TIMING OF PAYMENTS: Counter-Cylical payments under this sec tion will be made as follows: an Advance payment equal to 35 percent of the projected final CC payment rate will be available on October of the year in which the crop is harvested; An additional 35 percent of the projected payment beginning February of the following year; and the balance of the payment will be made at the end of the 12 month Marketing

COTTON COMPETITIVENESS PROVISIONS: Step 2 threshold

ents is eliminated through July 31, 2006.

# FARMING OUR GREAT STRENGTH Keeping an Eye on Texas

# **Taking Flight**

The Aircraft Pooling Board (APB) was created in 1979 by the 66th Legislature to establish and operate a pool for custody, control, operation and the maintenance of

aircraft owned or leased by the state. As of September 1, 2001, there were 36 aircraft state. This figure does not include 15 single-engine

aircraft operated by the Texas State Technical College (TSTC) for pilot instruction in Waco. The APB operates nine passenger aircraft for use by all state agencies. Through August of fiscal year 2001, APB aircraft had flown 2,581

flights with 8,652 passengers for a total of 609,160 miles and an average load of 3.62 passengers. Source: Carole Keeton Rylander, Texas Comptroller Aircraft Pooling Board. http://www.sapb.state.bc.us

#### New Regulation Intended To Protect Horses

Horse enthusiasts with limited area on which to keep their animals can now be assured that nearby horses have tested negative for Equine Infectious Anemia (EIA). EIA, also referred to as "Coggins" or "Swamp Fever", is an incurable disease that can be carried by biting flies from infected equines (horses, mules, donkeys or asses) to "clean" animals. While most infected animals appear healthy, some may die from the virus. Other equids will develop chronic, recurring health problems, such as debilitating weight loss, fever, depression, weakness and swelling of the legs. There is no cure or approved vaccine for EIA, and treatment is limited to providing comfort to the sick animal.

To combat the spread if EIA, the Texas Animal Health Commission (TAHC), the state's livestock health regulatory authority, in response to citizen petitions, enacted a new regulation that requires equids to have had a negative blood test for EIA within the previous 12 months, if the animals are boarded, stabled or pastured within 200 yards of equids owned

"Owners may call the TAHC headquarters or their TAHC area office to request assistance with this regulation," said Dr. Logan. "A TAHC representative will first ensure that the complainant's animals have up to date EIA test documents. Then TAHC staff will canvass neighboring premises to gain compliance with the testing requirements."

Current TAHC regulations require equids to be test-negative for EIA within the previous 12 months, if they are hauled to assemblies, such as

fairs, shows, exhibitions, rodeos or trail rides. The 12 month EIA test rule also applies to equidae undergoing a change of ownership or entering the state. EIA-positive equine are permanently identified with a "74A" on their left shoulder and must either be euthanized, sold to slaughter or provided to an approved research facility, or remain quarantined for life, at least 200 yards from other equidae.

#### TSSWCB Offers Learning Resources To Districts, Schools, **Public Organizations**

The Texas State Soil and Water Conservation Board (TSSWCB) offers a large selection of conservation related videos to the public for loan Over 150 videos are available at no charge to soil and water conserva-

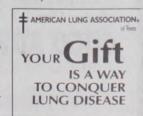
construction districts, public and private schools, and public organization.

"The video library is a resource that we want the public to take advantage of," said Kris Parker, Director of External Customer Relations. "These are great learning." tions. "These are great learning tools on most every subject in con-

In addition to the video library the TSSWCB offers two hands on educational models to loan. The Watershed Model shows students the effects of non-point source pol-lution and how it makes its way to lakes and streams. The Groundwa ter Flow Model shows a cross sec tion of soil layers and illustrates how pollutants can travel in

"Both educational models give the students a very clear picture of how pollution affects us and why it is important to take care of our

The videos and models are available for a two week long period. The resources can be ordered by contact ing your local soil and water con servation district or by contacting the TSSWCB Public Information and Education Department at 254-773-2250. A list of resources are available on line at http:// www.tsswcb.state.tx.us/infoed/ resources.html



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By: Brandon McGinty, CEA-Ag, Briscoe County How Does Age At Puberty Affect Performance And Economics?

Up to a point, not much, according to Montana researchers. They used a dynamic computer simulation and found little effect of increased age at puberty (AP) in heifers on either lifetime weaning weight per cow exposed or herd gross financial margin, as long as AP occurred by about 16 months. Beyond that performance and economics suffered. Later puberty required saving more heifers over time: at an AP of 14 months sustaining cow numbers required a heifer replacement rate of 14%, at 16 months AP the required replacement rate was 24%. Over 16 months AP, cownumbers could not be sustained. Why didn't earlier AP improve gross margin? Because higher income from having more calves to sell was essentially offset by lower income from having fewer open yearling heifers to sell; at 14 months AP, only 2% of gross margin came from sale of year-ling heifers; at 16 months AP, that figure was 23%. This study used a rotational crossing system with Angus and Hereford. Including Bos indicus genetics, as might be done in the south and southwest, would tend to increase AP. But cow longevity would also tend to increase, so required heifer replacement rates would tend to be lower. Just some of the many trade-offs in this business.

#### By Cory Edwards, Briscoe County ExtensionAgent, FCS **Tanning Health Issues**

Summer's almost here and the dangers of tanning are a major concern. Sunshine, the natural source of tanning radiation, has long been known to cause skin damage. But, overexposure to ultraviolet, or UV rays from the sun and tanning bed lamps have been linked to skin cancer. UV rays are just as damaging to the skin, whether they come from natural or man-made sources. According to the American Cancer Society, melanomas and non-melanomas are the most common forms of skin cancer caused by the UV rays. Figures show melanomas accounts for only 4 percent of skin cancer cases, but about 79 nercent of skin cancer deaths. percent of skin cancer cases, but about 79 percent of skin cancer deaths. An estimated 2,200 people will die of non-melanoma skin cancer this year and 7,400 will die of melanoma. To protect the skin from damage caused by UV rays, stay indoors during the middle of the day - 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. If staying indoors isn't possible, keep in the shade. We ar clothing that covers the body and protects the eyes, use sunscreen with a SPF of at least 15, and don't use tanning heds or tenning larms. least 15, and don't use tanning beds or tanning lamps

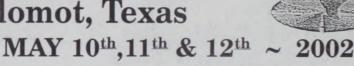
The melody of The Star Spangled Banner was originally known as Anacreon In Heaven

#### GOOD TEXICAN COOKIN'!

Anita Hunter & husband, Brad Carter, will open the Flomot Café during the Bluegrass Festival in Flomot on May 10, 11 & 12 Fajitas, Enchiladas, & all the trimmings for Lunch Sat. and for Supper Fri. & Sat. Hearty Breakfasts -7:00 to 10:00 a.m. Saturday & Sunday

East entrance of former cotton gin office by RV Park in Flomot For mor info, Call Brad or Anita (806) 778-8377 or (806) 781-4592

# Washington Cattle Co. **Bluegrass Festival** Flomot, Texas



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#### **Promoting Trade**

America has the most productive, creative work force in the world. Our industries are diverse and our products are second to none. Now it is time we expand our reach to bring more of these goods and services to the global

Ninety-six percent of the world's consumers live outside the United States, representing a vast market for American exports. Unfortunately, other countries are moving forward and promoting trade while we are standing on

For America to increase trade opportunities around the world, Congress needs to pass the Trade Promotion Authority (TPA) bill. TPA gives the president the ability to negotiate trade agreements with the knowledge that while Congress retains its right to approve or reject a treaty, it will not try to amend or delay it. Without TPA, foreign governments have not been willing to sit at the negotiation table with the United States—they do not want to waste

time crafting a complex agreement, only to see it changed.

While we delay, other countries are entering into agreements that exclude us. Our competitors in Europe, Asia and Latin America have sealed more than 130 free-trade compacts, yet we are party to only three – with Jordan, Israel, and with Canada and Mexico through the North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA).

Lack of free-trade agreements puts American exporters at a disadvantage. For example, a \$187,000 tractor made in America and shipped to Chile incurs \$13,090 in tariffs and duties upon arrival. The same tractor would face \$3,740 in tariffs if it were made in Brazil – and none if it were made in Canada. American businesses, farmers and ranchers cannot compete effectively with

Our inability to negotiate agreements with foreign countries is hurting U.S. industry and limiting economic growth and prosperity. TPA offers the United States the chance to reclaim momentum in the global economy by opening additional foreign markets and expanding opportunities for American producers and workers. For some 60 years, presidents and members of both parties in Congress have worked together to open markets around the world. Now, as we work to launch a new round of global trade negotiations,

close cooperation is more critical than ever.

In Texas, we have experienced the benefits of NAFTA. Since the agreement was implemented in January 1994, Texas exports have grown much faster than the overall U.S. export of goods. Texas merchandise exports in 2000 totaled \$69 billion, up more than 22 percent from 1997 and nearly double the 1002 cent of \$26 billion.

double the 1993 total of \$36 billion.

On the agricultural front, Texas ranks third among all 50 states in exports, with an estimated \$3.3 billion in sales to foreign markets in 2000. We are leading exporters of beef, poultry, feed grains and wheats. NAFTA has helped secure Texas' position as the No. 1 cotton exporting state. Since the agreement took effect, we have increased cotton exports to Mexico from \$58.00\text{heavising 1005 to 1.5 million belong 2000. But for former to make the agreement to the state of the stat 558,00 bales in 1995 to 1.5 million bales in 2000. But for farmers and ranchers in our state to continue to expand their exports, the United States must enter into trade agreements that will create opportunities for that growth.

TPA has been used since President Ford's Administration to implement

trade agreements, but unfortunately that authority lapsed in 1994 and it has not been renewed.

At a time of increased tension in many parts of the world, American leadership on trade is more important than ever. Giving the president a strong hand to negotiate will ensure the continued growth of our economy and allow us to keep exporting three of our greatest ideals - freedom, free enterprise, and

#### **Property Tax Protest and Appeal Procedures**

The law gives property owners the right to protest actions co their property tax appraisals. You may follow these appeal procedures

- \* the market or special value place on you property
- \* the unequal appraisal of your property
- \* the inclusion of your property on the appraisal roll
- \* any exemptions that may apply to you
- \* the qualification for an agricultural or timber
- \* the taxable status of your property
- \* the local governments which should be taxing you property
- \* the ownership of property
- \* the change of use of land receiving special appraisal
- \* any action taken by the Chief Appraiser, appraisal district or appraisal review board that applies to and adversely affected you.

Information Review: A copy of the APPRAISAL REVIEW BOARD HEARING PROCEDURES, are available at the HALL COUNTY APPRAISAL DISTRICT. Contact any employee of the HALL COUNTY APPRAISAL DISTRICT.

Review by the Appraisal Review Board

If you can't resolve your problem informally with the county appraisal district (CAD) staff, you may have your case heard by the appraisal review board (ARB).

The ARB is an independent board of citizens that reviews problems with appraisals or other concerns listed above. It has the power to order the CAD to make the necessary changes to solve problems.

If you file a written request for an ARB hearing (called a notice of protest) before the deadline, the ARB will set your case for a hearing You'll recieve written notice of the time, date and place of the hearing If necessary, you may request a hearing in the evening, Saturday or Sunday. Prior to your hearing, you may ask to review the evidence the CAD will use to uphold their determination. The CAD may ask you for a copy of the evidence you plan to present. The hearing will be informal. You or a designated agent may appear in person to present evidence or you may send a notarized evidence for the ARB to review at your hearing. The CAD representative. The ARB will make its decision based on the evidence presented. The CAD has the burden of establishing the property's value by a preponderance of the evidence presented. You can get a copy of a protest form from the appraisal district office at 512 main, Hall County Courthouse, Second Floor, Memphis Texas 79245.

Note: You shouldn't try to contact ARB members outside of the hearing. The law requires ARB members to sign an affidavit saying that they haven't talked about your case before the ARB hears it.

Review By the District Court

After it decides your case, the ARB must send you a copy of its order by certified mail. If you're not satisfied with the decision, you have the right to appeal to district court. If you choose to go to court, you must start the process by filing a petition within 45 days of the date you recieve the ARB's order.

Tax Payment

If you appeal and your case is pending, you must pay the lesser of the amount of taxes due on the portion of the taxable value not in dispute or the amount of taxes due on the property under the order from which

You can get more information by contacting your appraisal district at Hall County Courthouse-Memphis Texas 79245 (806) 259-2393 you can also get a pamphlet describing how to prepare a protest from the appraisal district or from the State Comptroller's Property Tax Division at P.O. Box 13528, Austin Texas 78711-3528.

#### Deadline for Filing Protest with the ARB\*

Usual Deadline

On or before May 31 (or 30 days after a notice of appraised value was mailed to you, whichever is later).

Late protests are allowed if you miss the usual deadline for good cause. Good cause is some reason beyond your control, like a medical emergency. The ARB decides whether you have good cause.

Late protests are due the day before the appraisal review board approves records for the year. Contact your appraisal district for more

For change of use (the appraisal district informed you that you are losing agricultural appraisal because you changed the use of your land), the deadline is before the 30th day after the notice of the determination was mailed to you.

For the ARB changes (the ARB has informed you of a change that increases your tax liability and the change didn't result from a protest your filed), the deadline is before the 30th day after the notice of the determination was mailed to you.

If you believe the appraisal district or ARB should have sent you a notice and did not, you may file a protest until the day before taxes become delinquent (usually February 1). The ARB decides whether it will hear your case based on evidence about whether a required notice was mailed to you.



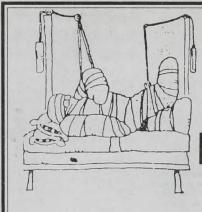
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#### New Medical School Admission Program Assists **Economically Disadvantaged Students In Texas**

Texas universities and medical schools have formed a new partnership to help economically disadvantaged students prepare for a medical edu-

Students who graduate from high school this spring and enter a T exas public or participating private university by next fall will be the first group eligible for the Joint Admission Medical Program, known as JAMP, which includes mentoring and other personal assistance, university scholarships,

and paid summer internships.

Students who fulfill all the requirements of the program will be guar anteed admission to a Texas medical school and will receive additional scholarships for that part of their education.

The program was approved and funded by the last session of the T exas Legislature to help students who are highly qualified academically but are economically disadvantaged. Students will receive a \$2,000 scholar ship per semester at a university beginning in the sophomore year , as well as a \$4,000 stipend to attend summer medical school internships at

the end of the freshman, sophomore, and junior years.

Each of the eight medical schools in Texas, as well as 31 public univer sities and many of the state's private universities, are participating. The program is administered by the Joint Admission Medical Program Council and the Texas Medical and Dental Schools Application Service operated through the University of Texas System.

Detailed information on the program and the application process is available at http://www.utsystem.edu/jamp.

#### NEW LAW MAKES UNDERSTANDING THE COMPLEX MORTGAGE-APPROVAL PROCESS EASIER

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However, the new law does not apply to banks, credit unions, mort-

gage bankers and savings and loans. The new year also brings other new advantages for Texans looking

to purchase a home

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Electronic signatures. Passage of the Texas Uniform Electronic Transactions Act (UETA) paves the way for legally valid electronic sig natures. Once the remaining few technological and practical hurdles have been cleared, Texas Realtors and their clients will be able to conduct real estate transactions almost entirely via the Internet, saving

consumers time and headaches. "It's amazing what happens in such a short period of time in the and other issues, visit the Texas Legislature, but lawmakers Association of Realtors' Web site at this past session made significant www.texasrealestate.com.



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# Hall County Hospital Reports On 6 Months Of Chapter 9 Activities

On October 31, Hall County Hospital filed Chapter 9 Municipal Reorganization Bankruptcy following three successive years of \$300,000 operating losses. A major fund raising campaign had been supported by the Mem phis and Hall County communities resulting in \$300,000 of Certificates of Deposit that were cashed and used to

support the operation during the three years ending in June of 2001. The filing allowed Hall County Hospital and its leadership to focus on regaining profitability and better managing its resources.

Since the filing of the Chapter 9 petition, Hall County Hospital has begun and completed several steps critical to the return to profitability and positive cash flow. It has completely revised its charging processes to both increase selected prices and make the charging process more accurate. Staffing in Home Health and other areas has been significantly reduced. After many months of attempting to correct long standing billing issues, the board of Hall County Hospital elected in March to authorize interim Administrator Wayne Ogburn to engage a firm to preform all billing on behalf of the hospital, Home Health, and both clinics. Only two individuals, who register and admit patients, accept payments and perform the necessary data entry into the financial records, now staff the business office.

On March 1, Hall County Hospital became a Critical Access Hospital. This means that its bed complement was reduced to 15 acute beds and 5 swing or skilled nursing beds and its average length of stay over a year is required to be four days or less. In return for these minor restrictions, Hall County Hospital will be reimbursed

its full costs under the Medicare program rather than the fixed payment per diagnosis used in other facilities.

The contract with the provider of personnel for the hospital's Outpatient Rehabilitation Program was renegotiated and now has terms that will allow the hospital to cover the costs of care provided by that program. The program has been extremely successful and will continue to be a part of the hospital's service complement for ears to come. A Wellness Program has been included in the early evening hours and is available to individuals without a physician order. Unfortunately, the outpatient program primarily used by local nursing home residents program was discontinued in the fall prior to the filing of the Chapter 9 petition. This is the only program to close due to the hospital's financial difficulties.

Hall County Hospital has acquired, through a grant, the capability of performing endoscopies in the facility Dr. Robert Clark, III has been trained in these procedures and can now do them at the hospital rather than sending patients to Amarillo. The hospital's emergency room has also received Level IV T rauma facility designation meaning it has been recognized as a Basic Emergency Facility by the T exas Department of Health and meets the requirements of the American College of Surgeons for this type of facility. Although the hospital is still short of cash, there is some progress being experienced. Recent deposits have been larger than those prior to the Chapter 9 filing and are expected to increase because of the improvements to be experienced by the changes in business office performance. The hospital's Save The Hospital Fund is still receiving contributions and these have increased moderately since the hospital's plight became widely known. T axes remain unchanged though some in the community have suggested that an increase would be appropriate. Hall County Hospital receives a significantly smaller portion of its operating funds through taxes than most other public facilities in

the Panhandle.

The Board of Hall County Hospital has provided strong leadership in these difficult times. Both Gaylen Ariola and Sue Garderhire acted on a volunteer basis as interim administrators prior to the arrival of the current interim administrator. Both of these committed individuals are now no longer a part of the board. Ms. Gardehire resigned in March and Mr. Ariola passed away April, leaving large, difficult to fill vacancies. Mr. Gayle Morrison was selected by the board to replace Ms. Gardenhire and Mr. Hubert Jones has now replaced Mr. Ariola. Both are already making significant leadership contributions.

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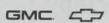
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