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An abundance of sunflowers around the area have contributed to a banner year for quail, according to the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department. See related story on page 7 in this issue.

Turkey City Council Sets 2003 Tax Rate

The Turkey City Council met in regular session on Thursday, September 11. Present were Homer Hawkins, Mayor Pro-Tiem, council members Doyle Dean Proctor, Bryan Wheeler, Mary Fierro, Brenda Seymour, along with city employees, Gail Hanna and Jerry Landry.

Gordon Maddox was present and presented the City Audit and the Turkey Economic Development Corporation Audit for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2003. The reports were accepted. Marlin Felts, Hall County Tax Assessor/Collector was also present and gave the council an up to date report on taxes that had been collected. The council voted to adopt the City Tax Rate at 0.51252 for 2003.

The City received only one bid on the 1967 Jeep 4x4 ambulance for \$300, it was accepted. The meeting was adjourned.

Midway At Hall County Fair Draws Huge Crowd



Quitaque Continues With Plans For City Improvements

The Quitaque City council met in regular session on Monday, September 8. Mayor Roland Hamilton called the meeting to order. Council members present were Arnold Castillo, Janice Henson, Phil Barefield also present Maria Cruz, and Walter Skinner Council members absent were Randy Stark and Rhonda Farnar.

During public comment the council discussed the signs that had been stolen from the city and the progress on that situation. Next under public comment council member Phil Barefield reported that he, Mayor Hamilton, County Attorney Bill Smith and County Judge Wayne Nance would be in Austin to discuss the Visitors Center for Caprock Canyons State Park with State officials.

He also reported to the council that Kay Calvert had delivered the grant packet for the new community center to the Area Foundation. The council then discussed the Economic Development class attended by Maria; the board will have to be revamped. This will be done at a later date.

In regular business the minutes of the previous meeting were approved as presented. The Library report was not available. Ambulance report: two runs were reported since the last regular meeting. The service has also completed all requirements to be in compliance with the state. In the Fire Department report Skinner reported four fires since last meeting. He also reported a grant for communications equipment had been received. This grant will require a 10% match by the city.

The budget for FY03-04 was reviewed and discussed at length by the council. The council discussed equipment purchases for the coming year.

Next Maria informed the council of the upgrades to be made to city water well number 2 and the possibility of converting the test hole located at the well site into a third well. Also discussed was testing of various water wells around the area. The cost of this work to be included in this year's budget. This was unanimously adopted by the council.

The council discussed the property tax rate for 2003. After discussion the council then unanimously passed the adoption of this year's tax rate of 0.5246, the same as last year.

After the completion of regular monthly business the council went into executive session for discussion of employees salaries.

Valley 9 Day Extended Forecast

DATE	FORECAST	HIGH/LO	PRECIP.
Thur. Oct. 2	Partly Cloudy	77°/58°	10%
Fri. Oct. 3	Partly Cloudy	82°/61°	20%
Sat. Oct. 4	Iso. T-Storms	81°/55°	30%
Sun. Oct. 5	Cloudy	64°/53°	20%
Mon. Oct. 6	Partly Cloudy	64°/55°	20%
Tue. Oct. 7	Partly Cloudy	70°/56°	20%
Wed. Oct. 8	Partly Cloudy	78°/55°	10%
Thur. Oct. 9	Partly Cloudy	78°/54°	10%
Fri. Oct. 10	Mostly Sunny	78°/53°	0%

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Country Music's Grand Ole Opry Stars Coming To Turkey

Helen Cornelius was born in Hannibal, Missouri and began performing as a child with her sisters and winning a number of local talent contests including on the national scale a trio of wins on the "Ted Mack Amateur Hour" in the 1970's. But it was her songwriting that initially opened the doors to Nashville's Music Row for her. Several of her songs had been recorded by major artists including the Oak Ridge Boys, Reba McEntire, Jeanne C. Riley, Connie Smith and others. But when RCA Record executives heard her sing, she won her first major recording contract in 1975.

Jim Ed Brown was born in Sparkman, Arkansas and some of his earliest childhood memories are of close family times when all the members of the household would gather on Saturday nights to listen to the Grand Ole Opry (which he was later to become a member of), on a battery powered radio. Jim and his sister, Maxine, were fascinated by what they heard and began harmonizing together. Then they began to perform occasionally on local radio shows. By Jim Ed's second year in college he and Maxine were regular members of the "Barnyard Frolics" in Little Rock and they penned their first hit record, "Looking Back To See". They became members of the Louisiana Hayride. Their sister, Bonnie, joined them and together they had many hits such as "The Three Bells", "Scarlett Ribbons", and others.

In 1976 Jim Ed teamed up with Helen Cornelius to form one of the most successful recording duos of all time. They have won many awards for their songs. Some of their hits are "Have I Told You Lately That I Love You", "You Don't Bring Me Flowers", "Here Today and Gone Tomorrow".

This talented duo will be in concert on Saturday, Oct. 11, 2003 at the Bob Wills Center Gymnasium in Turkey, Texas. Showtime will be at 7:00 p.m. Admission is \$20 per person. There will be a Mexican Stack Supper beginning at 4:00 p.m. in the Bob Wills Cafeteria and admission will be \$6.

BROOM SALE

Turkey Lions Club will be having their Broom Sale October, 14th in front of Turkey Automotive. If you need brooms, mops, pot holders, dish cloths and brushes. We have them and more, come by and see if we have what you need.

It's Not To Late To Order Pizza!

It's not to late to get your order in for Pizzza Hut pizza being sold by the Valley Jr. Class. Orders will be taken until 12 noon on Friday, October 3. Call Valley School at 455-1411 to place your orders.

The Pizza Hut pizzas will be delivered to the Valley School Cafeteria next Wednesday, October 8. Come to the Cafeteria at 6:00pm to pick up the pizzas you ordered. You will pay for the pizza at that time.

The Junior Class would like to thank everyone in advance for their support!

Help Needed For Quitaque Community Clean-Up

Willing workers are needed to help make plans for a Community Clean-Up in Quitaque. All interested business owners and citizens are encouraged to attend a planning session to be held Thursday, October 2 at 5 p.m. in the Bank Room at the First National Bank.

For further information contact Rhonda Farnar at 455-1308 or Jacquelyn Ham at 455-1315.

Everyone's help is needed to make this project a success, so please make plans to attend this planning session and bring a friend!

Valley Calendar of Events

- October 2**
 - * Highway 70 Association meeting @ 7 p.m.
- October 3**
 - * Valley Varsity - OPEN
 - * Valley Jr High vs Conno Center here @ 5 p.m.
 - * Valley JV vs Cotton center (Varsity), here @ 7:30 p.m.
 - * Quitaque Senior Citizens meeting @ 5 p.m.
- October 4**
 - * Turkey Jamboree @ 7 p.m. Before Show Supper starts @ 6 p.m.
 - * Quitaque Class of 1953 Reunion in Amarillo
 - * Caprock Canyons State Park: Volunteer Day @ 9 a.m.
 - Caprock Canyons State Park: Bats Of Clarity Tunnel * (Last tour of season/ reservations required)
- October 5**
 - * Nationa 4-H Week begins
- October 6**
 - * Yom Kippur
 - * Quitaque Lions Club meeting
 - * Weight Watchers at FBC-Quitaque, Weigh In @ 5:15 p.m. & meeting @ 5:45 p.m.
- October 7**
 - * Turkey Fire Department meeting @ 7:30 p.m.
 - * Quitaque Masonic meeting @ 7 p.m.
 - * Quitaque Chamber of Commerce meeting @ 6:15 p.m.
 - * Silverton Chamber of Commerce meeting @ 7 p.m.
 - * Turkey Senior Citizens meeting @ 6 p.m.
- October 9**
 - * Turkey City Council meeting @ 7 p.m.

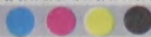
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The Original TEXAS CROSSWORD



Obituaries

Tommy Roosevelt Williams Sr.

(Tom) was born March 14, 1934 in St. Augustine, Texas. He was the son of Levi and Eunice Williams. He received Christ in his heart at a young age. He was a member of the Baptist faith.

He had a zest for life, loved sports, having a good time, but most of all he had a deep love for his family and friends. He also made everyone he met "his family" so indeed he loved everyone.

And the love was definitely returned to him. Tom was known to some as daddy, somepaw-paw, brother and friend, but to all he was known as a "man with a heart of gold" Tom met and married Verna M. Harper and were blessed with 3 boys and 4 girls, Bill, T.W., Tommy Jr., Verna J., Verna Little Sis, Janis M., and Kathie Williams.

Although Tommy Sr. and Verna divorced they maintained a special relationship. Tommy Sr. was also blessed with a son, Jerry Williams.

In 1962 he met Cora Jean Latham. They were married and blessed with 4 boys and 2 girls. Ronnie, Will, Johnnie, Bobby, Hattie, and Robin Williams.

He took on the responsibility and rearing of Elvin Tatom and Tony Ray Bockley-Williams.

Survivors include his wife Cora J. Williams, Robin Williams, Hattie Williams-Belmares and Johnnie Williams all of Turkey, Tx, Tommy Williams Jr., Verna J. Williams, Bill Williams, T.W. Williams, Verna (Little Sis) Williams, Jerry Williams, Kathy Williams, and Will Williams, all of Dallas, Tx. Ronnie Williams, Bobbie Williams, and Elvin Tatom, of Amarillo, Tx. Janie M. Williams of Houston, Tx., Tony Ray Williams of Atlanta, Georgia, Dick R. Williams of Plainview, Tx., Virgil, Mattie, and Sis Williams, all of Houston, and 35 grandchildren and 7 great grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents and 3 brothers Bud Williams, C. Jenkins Williams, Johnny Ray Williams, Beal Williams.

Services were Saturday, September 27, 2003, Jackie G. Riles officiated.

This obituary was provided in its entirety by Myers-Long Funeral Home, Turkey, TX. Any comments should be made directly to them 806-423-1313.

Ruth Taylor Boswell

Ruth Taylor Boswell passed away at the age of 83 on September 26, 2003 at Littleton, Colorado. She was born in Briscoe County on June 25, 1920 to John and Eunice Taylor. She was the youngest of six children. Ruth graduated from Quitaque

High School in 1937 and from what is now WTAMU in Canyon in 1941. Ruth taught and coached the girls basketball team at Muleshoe High School for several years. She married Darwin L. Boswell on December 20, 1946. They lived in the Denver area and had three children; Lane, Cary and Renee. Ruth taught school for 26 years in the Ft. Logan and Sheridan school systems in the Denver area.

Ruth was preceded in death by her parents; 4 brothers, Webb, Dick, Preston, and Joe; and 1 sister, Eula Merrell. In addition to her children, Ruth is survived by numerous grandchildren, great-grandchildren, nieces, nephews and other family members.

Memphis Preservation Society To Host Salad Luncheon

The Preservation Foundation of Memphis, Texas will be hosting a salad luncheon and style show at the Presbyterian Building at 12:00 PM on October 4th 2003. Tickets will be \$10.00.

BEST FRIENDS of Canyon will furnish the clothing. Owner, Connie Kesler, will also be bringing other clothing and accessories that will be for sale. Theme for the luncheon will be The Red Hat Society. Local and area Red Hat Society chapters will be attending. Come see what fun you are missing by not being a Red Hatter. Join us for lunch and shopping and help the stained glass window repair fund.

For information or tickets call Marjorie Howard 806-259-2112 or Shirley Riley 806-259-2200.


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Charlie Bailey
 A Long-time Quitaque Resident, Now of Amarillo, is celebrating her 90th birthday at her home in Quitaque. Sunday, October 5, 2003 2:00 to 4:00 p.m.
 The come and go event is hosted by children Sharon Wasson & Janet Bailey of Amarillo, Charlene & Gordon Rothwell of Plainview. You are invited to join Charlie in celebrating this special milestone in her life. The gift of your presence will be cherished! No other gifts are necessary.

Silverton's Bits & Spurs

By Lataine Dillard

Exscentrics - Candles your way!
 "I got tired of paying a lot of money for candles that wouldn't burn right and didn't have a good fragrance that lasted. I wanted a good candle that did not sink in the middle and that you didn't have to be a millionaire to buy." That's why Tonnette Perkins decided to make her own. Her shop is called Exscentrics. She is located next door to the Briscoe County News office.
 Tonnette was born and raised here in Silverton. She is married to Scott Perkins. They have three children, Zakary is 14 and in the ninth grade. Johnathan is 11 and in the sixth grade. Whitney is nine and in the fourth grade.
 The candles are made at her home. She has lots of fragrances like vanilla, the florals and other summer fragrances. She is getting ready to make fall fragrances like candy corn and pumpkin. For Christmas she will have mulberry, cinnamon and the Christmas tree fragrance. There are many others Tonnette has made.
 And that's not all she has in her shop. She also makes pies!! No, they aren't edible, they are potpourri pies! You just place them in the oven, heat for a few minutes and your house smells like apple pie!! Or whatever fruit you choose. And Tonnette makes lovely bracelets and necklaces. She is teaching Whitney how to make them too. Her husband makes wooden holders for them and they are for sale too. He also makes shadow boxes that are displayed in the shop.
 Exscentrics is open only on Saturday from 9 - 4. at 514 Main Street, Silverton.
 Sniff her fragrant candles and choose one for yourself. You will come back for more. If you need candles in between Saturdays, just call the house and Tonnette will come down to the shop to help you. (I burned one of the candles for six hours and it still has a lovely fragrance and still looked nice!!)

A Story That Warms The Heart Out of an Old Horse's Mouth:

Hello, My name is Blue Angel. I'm part quarter and mustang. They say I might be the oldest horse that is still alive. I am forty-one years young. I've had my ups and downs like anyone my age.
 I started my life in Dalhart, Texas in 1962. I did belong to a nice lady for my first 6 years. She trained me to barrel race, pole bend, and run real good. I worked on a ranch awhile. Then she sold me to a lady in Phillips, Texas. She had a ten-year-old daughter. They didn't know when they bought me that I was bred. I had a little grey filly. I bet when she grew up, she looked like me. I was pretty snappy looking when I was young. A grey with pretty black legs and big dapples. Now I'm all white, like everyone that gets old. I still look good though. My friend Tina and I had a great time for many years. We went to play days every weekend. Sometimes I went by trailer and sometimes we rode the two miles to Borger. I had pretty blue boots and a blanket to wear home in the trailer, after the games were over.
 After Tina got me, her friends all got horses too. It was a great time; we rode in parades, trail rides. Tina was queen of the Ponyhaws riding club in Phillips, Texas. She carried the American Flag sometimes too. We had lots of fun. Some people in Borger, Texas will remember me. I ran the key-hole in less than four seconds. They all tried to beat me in barrels, poles, rings, ribbon races and key-hole. I was good and Tina was good too. We won most of the time.
 She had lots of ribbons and belt buckles all over her room. Her mom had two other horses a little Pinto named Apache, and a big ex-race horse mare we called Roper, boy could she run and turn on a dime. Later Tina got married; we lived in Fritch, Texas. They had a ranch outside of Kendalia, Texas. They took my friends Apache and Roper with them. Later Tina, her two children Billy and Christi moved down there. They took me to the ranch where my friends were.
 I helped give them rides on weekends and help keep the cattle in line, for the ranch, and the neighbors used me once in awhile. I've been here the rest of my life. I get good feed and a warm blanket when I need one, which Tina bought for me. She and Christa came in a week ago from Arizona. I got a bath and haircut, sure good to see them again. I remembered them. My memory is still good, and feet and eyes are too, don't hear to good anymore. I keep their big quarter horse stallion company. He's 20 years old now; he was 2 years old when he came here. He's out with the other mares now. I miss him, but he'll be back soon.
 Apache and Roper are gone, but lots of company and babies every year. I guess old Dime and I will just grow older together, and dream about our younger days. Like everyone does. The ribbons are all faded and packed away with the belt buckles and memories.
 By Joan Bindsell owner of Carousel Antiques in Blanco Texas. Angel has been my friend for 35 years now. We love her.

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- October 2**
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- October 3**
Isaac Stuart Smith, Jonda Lane, Tyler Kiebrink, Alexia Jimenez, Gail Hanna, Lindsey Henson
- October 4**
Alyssa Pointer, Sheila Kay House, Ashley Hearn, Cody Farley, Irene Green
- October 5**
Billy Hughes, Danny House, Shane House, Hattie Belmares
- October 6**
W.C. Carson, Justin Davis, Pam Fileds, Charlie Bailey, Cloie Hamilton,
- October 7**
Cooky Dowd, Brandon Smith, Mary Beth Adamson, Bobby Edwards, Jacy McK Proctor
- October 8**
Will Williams
- October 9**
Rick Marcum, Shawn Williams

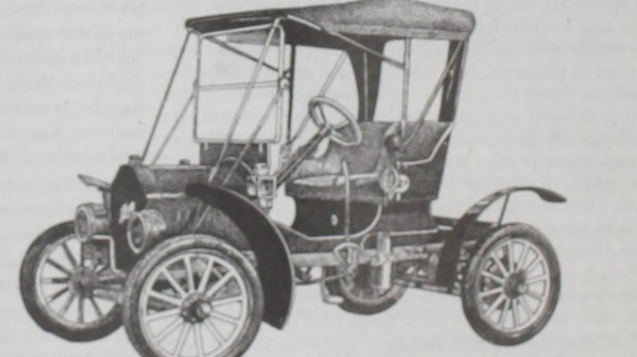
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- October 2**
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Mr & Mrs Ed Hammock
- October 3**
Mr & Mrs Brent Brown

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FLOMOT NEWS

BY: EARLYNE JAMESON

OVERHEARD

An elderly gentleman stopped at a dude ranch and asked for the rates. "For people your age who can't handle a horse, it is \$450 a day," the owner said.

Incredulous, the man replied, "\$450 a day? You're putting me on!" "It's \$50 more if we have to do that," the owner said.

Birthday Party

Emily Milam, daughter of Christi and Dwain Milam of Petrolia, had a fun filled birthday party Saturday afternoon in her home. She blew out her four candles on a colorful decorated cake and entertained everyone when opening her gifts.

Among those enjoying the occasion beside her parents and sister, Haley were her grandparents, Kathy and Clois Shorter, great grandparents, Alma and Everett Shorter and Mrs. Geneva Martin of Flomot and her aunt and cousin, Mrs. Ken Sehon and son, Brian of Ropesville.

Visiting last Wednesday night and Thursday with Mr. and Mrs. Wilburn Martin were Mr. and Mrs. J.C. Moss of Anson. Visiting in their home Thursday were Keith Gilbert, Mrs. LaRay Gilbert and Mrs. Nona Anglin of Anson. The families attended the graveside rites of D.M. "Ikie" Gilbert held at the Flomot Memorial Cemetery.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Starkey attended the annual Three Day Singing on Sandy Beach at Greenbelt Lake last Friday. Her brother, Jack Moon of Fritch was one of the featured musicians with his violin and mandolin. They spent overnight in Clarendon and visited from Saturday until Monday in Fritch with Mr. and Mrs. Moon.

Donna Sue and Stanley Degan of Kalgary visited overnight Saturday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Rogers.

Mrs. Fred (Marilee) Cooper of Berger visited last Wednesday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wilburn Martin. They visited in Quitaque with the D.M. "Ikie" Gilbert family.

Tom Ross visited in Olton Saturday with the Herschell Carson family. Mrs. Lucille Garson, 91, died Friday, Sept. 26 and funeral services were held Sunday, Sept. 28.

Mrs. Tommie Jo Cruse visited in Rising Star from Tuesday until Thursday with her mother, Mrs. Dona Browning and brother and wife, Mr. and Mrs. E.J. Browning.

Mrs. Anna Beth Clay visited in Panhandle Tuesday with son and family, Mr. and Mrs. Larry Clay. She was a guest of her granddaughter, Sarah at Grandparents Day held at the Panhandle School. Sarah is a student in the first grade and was happy her paternal grandmother attended with her.

Brenda and Darrell Cruse were in Canyon, Sunday and their luncheon guests were son, Derrick and friend, Natalie Wheeler, students at West Texas A&M University.

Mary Ellen and "Dude" Barton enjoyed visiting and lunch with Mrs. Lou Burlison in Floydada, Saturday.

Deidra and Larry Clifton of Cisco visited overnight Saturday with her mother, Mrs. Tommie Jo Cruse. Before returning home Sunday, they visited in Floydada with daughter and family, Monica and Tanner Smith and son, Cutter.

Aleda and Tom Ross visited in Lubbock, Tuesday with daughter and husband, Elisa and Stan Wigley, Mrs. Ruth Williams and Mrs. Elizabeth Andestad.

Michael Starkey of Canyon accompanied his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Starkey to Amarillo, Thursday for her a medical appointment. Their daughter and husband, Bessie and Clifton Reid of Amarillo are vacationing for a month at Port Aransas.

Anna Beth and Joe Ike Clay were in Childress from Thursday until Sunday with the Prison Ministry held at the Texas Correctional Unit.

Several residents in Flomot have killed rattlesnakes this past week. Snakes are on the move looking for a winter home, so when outside you are advised to use caution.



Cooks Corner

By Virginia Sailsbury

We all have plenty to do this time of year, don't we? The fall yard chores need to be done, there are all those football games, school activities and if you look a little ahead, Thanksgiving and Christmas will be here soon. This week's 30-Minute Meal will give you a little extra time to get some of those chores done. For Italian food lovers, this dish could be called an Italian Hamburger, but it's really spaghetti with one big flat meatball. Pepper Parmesan Beans and Cocoa Mousse Pie complete this speedy but satisfying dinner.

ITALIAN HAMBURGERS
6 tablespoons dry bread crumbs
1/3 cup chopped onion
1/3 cup chopped bell pepper
1 garlic clove, minced
1/4 teaspoon dried oregano
1/2 teaspoon salt
1/2 teaspoon pepper
1 pound ground beef
6 tablespoons grated Parmesan cheese, divided
1 can (15 oz.) tomato sauce
3/4 teaspoon Italian seasoning
6 servings hot cooked spaghetti
Combine the first seven ingredients. Add beef and 3tablespoons of Parmesan cheese; mix well. Shape into six patties. In a skillet, brown patties for 2 minutes on each side. Combine the tomato sauce and Italian seasoning; pour over patties. Reduce heat; cover and simmer for 10-15 minutes until meat is no longer pink. Sprinkle with remaining Parmesan cheese. Serve patties and sauce over hot cooked spaghetti. Serves 6.

PEPPER PARMESAN BEANS

1 large sweet red pepper, diced
1 small green bell pepper, diced
1/4 cup chopped onion
1 garlic clove, minced
1/4 cup olive or vegetable oil
1 teaspoon dried basil
1 teaspoon salt
1/2 cup grated Parmesan cheese
2 cans (16 oz. each) cut green beans
In a large skillet, saute peppers, onion, and garlic in oil until the vegetables are tender, about 3 minutes. Add beans, basil and salt; toss to coat. Cover and cook a few minutes until heated through. Stir in Parmesan cheese; serve immediately. Serves 6-8.

COCOA MOUSSE PIE

3 ounces cream cheese, softened
2/3 cup sugar
1/3 cup baking cocoa
1/4 cup milk
1 teaspoon vanilla
1 carton (8 oz.) Cool Whip, thawed
1 graham cracker crust (9 in.)
Additional Cool Whip for topping
In mixing bowl, beat cream cheese, sugar and cocoa. Beat in the milk and vanilla until smooth. Fold in Cool Whip. Spoon into the crust. Cover and freeze for 20 minutes. Garnish with additional Cool Whip when serving. Serves 8.
Even better than a meal ready in 30 minutes is a Crock-Pot meal that is ready when you get home. I've collected some really good ones, and for the next two weeks, I'll give you some from which to choose. GOD BLESS AMERICA!

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- TXism: "your barn (unzipped fly)
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- "Texas Troubadour" Tubb
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- wet ride at "Six Flags Over Texas" (2 wds.)
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- TXism: " ... charge hell with a bucket of water" (fearless)
- Red River radio station?
- TXism: " ... abouts"
- relaxation tub
- TXism: "mad as ... eyed cow"
- destruction
- co. that TX Perot founded (abbr.)
- TXism: "old as ..."
- drunkard

DOWN

- Muleshoe National Wildlife Refuge has a large no. of this waterfowl (2 wds.)
- title for TXns
- Phyllis George & Shirley Cothran: "Miss ..."
- in Wichita Co. on hwy. 370
- this Cowboy Pearson caught the "Hall Mary"
- many TXns fought in Southeast ...
- major Dallas artery ending with "way"
- golf peg
- citrus dmk
- TXism: "hell bent (determined)"
- "The ... Ranger"
- Denton 940 code
- UT famed formation: " ... bone"
- seize a crook
- Dublin celebrates ... Patrick's Day
- TXism: "how ... doing?"
- Gov. ... Roberts (1878-82)
- San Antonio university (abbr.)
- TX X-mas tree farm "Pine- ..."
- NASA event
- TXism: "the rodeo ... over" (finished)
- TX singer Henley (init.)
- Pres. Bush's first two initials
- TXism: "take a look ... a snake's navel"
- TXism: "the ..."
- Billy the ...
- ex-Cowboy RB (init.)
- silent film? (2 wds.)
- TXism: "lower ..."
- TXism: "ain't"

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SCHOOL LUNCH MENU

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Monday, October 6

Breakfast: Blueberry Muffins, OJ/Milk

Lunch: Meat & Cheese Nachos, Pinto Beans, Salad, Orange Slices, Milk

Tuesday, October 7

Breakfast: Cereal, Toast, OJ/Milk

Lunch: Baked Chicken, Ranch Potatoes, Green Beans, Biscuits, Honey, Milk

Wednesday, October 8

Breakfast: Biscuits, Jelly, Sausage, OJ/Milk

Lunch: Spaghetti & Meat Sauce, Caesar Salad, Mixed Friut, Garlic Bread, Milk

Thursday, October 9

Breakfast: French Toast, Syrup, OJ/Milk

Lunch: Fish Sticks, Tartar Sauce, American Fries, Hush Puppies, Fruit, Milk

Friday, October 10

Breakfast: Cereal, Toast, OJ/Milk

Lunch: Ham & Cheese Hoagies, Lettuce, Tomatoes, Chips, Orange Slices, Milk

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Lupe, Enedina, & Monica at their workshop



Valley FCCLA at Pampa

FCCLA LEADERSHIP MEETING

The Valley Family, Career and Community Leaders of America members met at Pampa High School September 22 for a Panhandle region leadership meeting hosted by Region I officer, Jennifer Wiggins, from White Deer High School. Jennifer Wiggins had requested that the Valley Chapter present a workshop on the STAR

Event competitions for the other ten schools that would be attending. Valley set up previous display boards from competitions in the past and three members presented hints for a winning presentation.

Lupe Mendoza, Enedina Valdez, and Monica Hernandez presented the workshop about the STAR Event competitions and could relate personal experiences as they have competed at both the region and state levels. These members did so well with their workshop they were asked to repeat the workshop at the Amarillo leadership meeting the end of September for over 150 members.

Other Valley members attending were able to compete in the fall Leadership tests. Valley had nine members take the STEP 1 test over FCCLA facts and traditions. At this meeting, Rosalie Villarreal won a Gold rating and Jamie Butler and Alysa Leal placed on the silver level. Other members of the team placing with a bronze level certificate were Zena Mora, Aria Karen Mendoza, Maria Mora, Mancruz Pozos, Cathy Bernal, and Ascencion Pozos. Valley School

FCCLA was well represented by these team members.

It's Not To Late To Order Pizza!

It's not to late to get your order in for Pizzza Hut pizza being sold by the Valley Jr. Class. Orders will be taken until 12 noon on Friday, October 3. Call Valley School at 455-1411 to place your orders.

The Pizza Hut pizzas will be delivered to the Valley School Cafeteria next Wednesday, October 8. Come to the Cafeteria at 6:00pm to pick up the pizzas you ordered. You will pay for the pizza at that time.

The Junior Class would like to thank everyone in advance for their support!

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Seniors, Katherine Pigg escorted by Douglas Payne. They were elected Mr. & Miss Flame during Homecoming 2003. Douglas was also chosen as the Pep Squad Beau.



Molly Davidson was escorted by Matt Whittington before Homecoming 2003 as she was crowned Homecoming Sweetheart.

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Patriots Shine In Homecoming Game

The Valley Patriots treated the 2003 Homecoming fans to an old-fashioned rout last Friday night when they blistered the Spur Bulldogs 64-0. In a game called at halftime, the Patriots racked up 308 yards of offense while holding Spur to 86 total yards.

"We needed this to prove that we aren't dead," Coach Tyler said. "Our goals are still set high, and we are still good enough to meet them."

Anthony Ortiz had a big night as he caught 2 passes for 46 yards and a touchdown, recovered two Bulldog fumbles, returned an interception 23 yards for a touchdown, and recorded four tackles. "He was dominant," Tyler said. "But he's been doing it all year. He's having a very good senior year."

Clif Yeary rushed for 92 yards on five carries and scored the first two touchdowns of the game, one from 7 yards out and then next from 21 yards away. Chase Maynard then found Ortiz for a 46 yard touchdown. Cody Barrett hit Adam Ortiz on a 37 yard touchdown pass to end the first quarter 30-0.

Maynard threw his second touchdown pass in the second quarter, this one a 1 yard strike to Rodney Fuston. Ortiz's interception return made it 32-0 before Fidel Valdes scampered into the end zone from 34 yards away.

Albert Espinoza scored from one yard out, Matt Whittington closed out the scoring with an impressive 16 yard touchdown run. "We had eight different guys carry the ball, four different guys catch the ball, and two guys throw touchdown passes," Coach Tyler said. "Thirteen guys recorded a tackle. I say that's pretty good balance."

Juan Regalado led the team in tackles with eight, while Kellan Roberts finished with six. Clif Yeary, Douglas Payne, Matt Whittington, and Albert Espinoza all recorded five tackles. Adam Ortiz started his first game at linebacker and was one of four players finishing with four tackles. Anthony Ortiz, Charlie Walden, and Francisco Rodriguez also finished with four.

"This was a good win for us," Coach Tyler said. "Spur was confident and came in fired up. We responded in a very positive way." The Patriots will take this week off before opening district play next week at home against the Silverton Owls.

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2003 VALLEY PATRIOT FOOTBALL TEAM
CHEERLEADERS & MASCOT

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
Matt Whittington	5-7	155	Jr	OE-DE
Cody Barrett	5-10	165	So	QB-DB
Alex Espinoza	5-11	165	So	RB-LB
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-DB
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 Santos	5-10	160	Fr	OE-DE
Jake Glass	5-5	130	Fr	E-DB

2003 Valley Jr. High Football Schedule

Sept. 4 Aspermont	T - 5:00
Sept. 11 Meadow	H - 5:00
Sept. 18 OPEN	
Sept. 25 Spur	T - 5:00
Oct. 3 Cotton Center	H - 5:00
Oct. 9 Silverton	T - 5:00
Oct. 16 Patton Springs	T - 5:00
Oct. 23 Happy	H - 5:00
Oct. 30 Hedley	T - 5:00
Nov. 6 Motley Co.	H - 5:00

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2003 Valley J.V. Football Schedule

Aug. 29 Benjamin(V)	H - 7:30
Sept. 4 Aspermont	T - 6:30
Sept. 11 Meadow	H - 6:30
Sept. 18 OPEN	
Sept. 25 Spur	T - 6:30
Oct. 3 Cotton Center(V)	H - 7:30
Oct. 9 Silverton	T - 6:30
Oct. 16 Patton Springs	A - 6:30
Oct. 23 Happy	H - 6:30
Oct. 30 Silverton	H - 6:30
Nov. 8 Patton Springs	H - 6:30

2003 Valley Varsity Football Schedule

Aug. 30 Elum @Bryson	4:00
Sept. 5 Aspermont	H - 7:30
Sept. 12 Meadow	T - 7:30
Sept. 19 Follett	T - 7:30
Sept. 26 Spur (#)	H - 7:30
Oct. 3 OPEN	
Oct. 10 Silverton*	H - 7:30
Oct. 18 Patton Springs*	H - 7:30
Oct. 24 Happy*	T - 7:30
Oct. 31 Hedley*	H - 7:30
Nov. 7 Motley Co.*	T - 7:30

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**In-Season Nitrogen Sensing
Improves Fertilizer Efficiency**

LUBBOCK - Farmers in the western United States can reduce in-season nitrogen use in irrigated cotton without sacrificing yield potential by using commercially available nitrogen status sensing tools, says a Texas A&M University soil fertility scientist.

Producers in the arid west currently base nitrogen fertilizer applications on the results of soil nitrate tests. But in-season monitoring of plant nitrogen status may lead to more accurate nitrogen fertilizer recommendations because these typical spring soil nitrate tests do not account for nitrate loss or gain between soil sampling and planting, noted Kevin Bronson, associate professor of soil fertility and nutrient management with the Texas Agricultural Experiment Station.

Bronson led an interdisciplinary team of scientists to test multi-spectral reflectance and chlorophyll meter measurements as in-season nitrogen decision aids at two irrigated west Texas cotton sites in 2000 and 2001.

"We made multi-spectral reflectance measurements using a CropScan MSR16R spectroradiometer at a height of 20 inches above the cotton canopy. We used a Minolta SPAD 502 chlorophyll meter to take readings on plant leaves," Bronson said.

Based on these readings, the team applied 30 lbs. per acre of nitrogen in-season to their reflectance and chlorophyll meter plots when the sufficiency index relative to well-fertilized plants was less than 0.95 at early squaring, early bloom and peak bloom.

"In 2000, we applied 30 to 90 lbs. per acre less nitrogen than a soil-test recommendation of 120 lbs. per acre. We achieved yields similar to plants receiving 120 lbs. per acre," Bronson said "In 2001 in Lubbock, our cotton yields reached our goal of 2.5 bales per acre. In three of our cases, our nitrogen applications based on in-season monitoring equaled 90 lbs. per acre soil test nitrogen applications." Even so, in-season nitrogen sensing won't replace spring soil nitrate tests, he said.

"It can, however, reduce in-season nitrogen fertilizer rates in low-yielding seasons and it can help match soil test recommendations for yield potential in high-yielding seasons," Bronson said. "But we still recommend pre-plant soil testing to accurately gauge early season nitrogen needs when plants are too small to use monitoring instruments, and for determining nutrient needs besides nitrogen."

In addition to helping producers save dollars by reducing nitrogen applications, these monitoring tools can help protect ground and surface waters from nitrate contamination by reducing the amount of residual nitrate nitrogen in the soil at harvest, Bronson added.

**Cattle Prices Hit All Time High In
September**

Prices for live cattle hit a 10-year high Sept. 3, when Panhandle buyers paid 85 cents a pound for benchmark 1,100- to 1,250-pound fed steers ready for slaughter.

Short supplies, particularly in Colorado and Nebraska, combined with drought in Australia and the four-month-long ban on Canadian cattle imports helped drive prices up, said Jim Gill, market director of the Amarillo-based Texas Cattle Feeders Association. Gill said it was one of the few times that all four main sectors of the industry - packers, feeders, producers and cow-calf operators' were making money.

Livestock Sign-Up Ends October 24th

Sign-up for the Livestock Assistance Program ends Oct. 24. The program makes \$250 million available to livestock producers for grazing losses that occurred in either 2001 or 2002.

The producer's grazing land must be located in a county that was declared a primary disaster area under a presidential or secretarial designation.

Payments are on a per head basis of eligible livestock, including beef and dairy cattle, buffalo, beefalo, sheep, goats, swine and certain equine animals.

During 2001 or 2002, a livestock producer must have suffered a 40 percent or greater loss of grazing production for three or more consecutive months due to drought, hot weather, disease, insect infestation, flood, fire, hurricane, earthquake, severe storm or other natural disasters.

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Each completed analysis involves two one-on-one meetings, typically held in the home or office of the participant where records are readily accessible. The collected information is entered into specialized decision support software, which generates financial projections based on the producer's unique production and financial risks. A bound report is presented and discussed at a third meeting.

TSCRA members will receive \$100 off the usual \$250 per ranch fee if they schedule an analysis by Nov. 30. The actual analysis may be set for a later date at the producer's convenience. For more information, call toll-free (877) 826-7475.

**This Weeks Texas Crop
& Weather Report**

September 30, 2003

COLLEGE STATION- Texas pumpkin producers aren't spooked by this year's crop, thanks to high yields and high quality, Texas Cooperative Extension reports.

"Texas is ranked fourth in state pumpkin production," said Dr. Dudley Smith, associate professor with the Texas Agricultural Experiment Station. "Pumpkins contribute about \$7.4 million to the Texas economy."

"The size and quality are excellent this year," said Hulon Carthel of Heptad Vegetables in Floyd County, one of the largest pumpkin growers in the state. "We had planted some varieties earlier in the season, and they suffered some damage due to rain and static electric storms, but other than that everything has been just fine," said Tim Assiter of Assiter Pumpkins, also in Floyd County.

His family has been in the pumpkin business for almost 40 years, and he couldn't be more pleased with this year's crop.

Because of the exceptional quality of this year's crop, Assiter said he is getting 10 to 12 cents a pound on some of the smaller ornamental varieties of pumpkins. Pumpkins used for jack-o-lanterns are receiving 7 cents a pound, which has been the typical price for years, he added.

"The yields look good," said Bailey County Extension Agent Curtis Preston. "Producers in our area had no real problems with insects or disease."

Disease and insects can cause major problems. Squash bugs are an insect that must be exterminated shortly after they have hatched. If they are allowed to mature, they can cause the pumpkin vines to wilt, thus reducing yields and eventually killing the plant.

The reason no insect problems were reported this year had to do with the drought in West Texas. "We had a very hot, dry summer, and that suppresses insects and disease," Assiter said.

However, the lack of rain caused an increased dependence on irrigation by producers. Many pumps in the High Plains rely on natural gas; steep natural gas prices made irrigation costly this summer. "A lot of our producers are moving to electric pumps because of the high natural gas prices," Preston said.

He said 95 percent of pumpkins are harvested for ornamental use. Types of pumpkins used for consumption, such as the traditional pumpkin pie, only account for 7 percent of the state's pumpkin production.

Carthel said most pumpkins are used for decoration throughout the fall, not just for Halloween. "To be real honest, the Halloween market is a small part of the total pumpkin market."

Meanwhile, ranges and pastures are showing improvement, with summer grasses responding well to recent rains, said Scott Durham, district Extension director in San Angelo.

According to Jose Pena, district Extension director in Uvalde, cotton harvest has been delayed again by rain. Oats and rye grass are being planted as fast as possible, in anticipation of good soil moisture and grazing.

The following specific livestock, crop and weather conditions were reported by district Extension directors:

PANHANDLE: soil moisture short to adequate. Corn harvest is under way. Sorghum is mostly headed. Cotton is rated very poor to fair. Irrigated peanuts are rated mostly fair; harvest has begun. Wheat is about 75 percent planted. Some grasshopper problems have been reported. Range condition is rated very poor to good depending on rainfall. Cattle condition is rated good.

SOUTH PLAINS: soil moisture short. Corn harvest continues with above-average yields. Cotton bolls continue to open with some producers applying harvest aid treatments; some bales have been ginned in Lubbock County. Peanuts are in good condition. Most seed production sunflowers have been harvested with average yields. Pumpkin harvest is in full swing with average yields. Winter wheat planting continues. Ranges and pastures are in poor condition. Supplemental feeding continues.

ROLLING PLAINS: soil moisture adequate. Wheat farmers are busy preparing seedbeds, applying fertilizers and sowing wheat. Some of the early irrigated cotton will be ready to defoliate soon. Range and pasture conditions are fair with some help from scattered rains. Livestock conditions are good

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

**PCO & Monsanto Discuss
Technology Issues**

Representatives from St. Louis-based Monsanto Company sat down with members of Plains Cotton Growers this week to talk issues and to develop ideas for adding even more value to the customer loyalty programs currently offered to Monsanto customers.

The meeting, which has become almost a yearly ritual, provides PCG the opportunity to discuss evolving Monsanto programs and products with the decision-makers responsible for their development and implementation.

Issues discussed with the Monsanto contingent included: technology pricing strategies, specifically the concept of switching to a regional pricing structure; discussion of proposed changes to current Monsanto crop destruct and replant programs; and, also discussion about the development of new programs Monsanto hopes will provide additional value and encourage growers to utilize Monsanto branded products.

Throughout the discussion the main points put forth by the PCG contingent were that the programs needed to be easily understood and allow Monsanto's investment to stand on its own, without the added confusion of how other companies participation in the programs is manifest.

Monsanto officials noted that one of the most popular programs with growers has been the Replant program through which growers were reimbursed a portion of their seed costs on crops destroyed early in the season.

The 2004 Monsanto Replant program will look considerably different, but maintain Monsanto's financial contribution at the same level of \$17 per bag. Monsanto's 2004 changes are being prompted by the seed industries pending switch from marketing seed in 50 pound bags to selling seed based on the total number of seed per bag.

Monsanto officials note that one of the benefits to growers that comes from the change is a clearer picture of seed and technology costs.

**Texas Redistricting Battle Heads
To Conference Committee**

by Roger Haldenby

The 3rd special session of the 78th Texas Legislature, called to redraw congressional districts, continues in Austin.

The history of the past few days shows a wide difference between House Bill 3 as approved by the House on September 17, and Substitute House Bill 3 as amended by the Senate passed on September 25. The House refused to concur in the Senate amendments and so the issue now is referred to a House/Senate conference committee.

The Senate Conferees appointed are: Senator Staples, (Chair) and Senators Duncan, Hinojosa, Lindsay and Nelson.

The House Conferees appointed are: Representative King, (Chair) and representatives Crabb, Hamric, Grusendorf and Wilson.

The conference committee is expected to meet sometime the week starting September 29.

The latest maps, along with a map of the existing congressional districts can be viewed on PCGs web site at: <http://www.plainscotton.org> click on "Latest Congressional Redistricting" or go direct to the page at: <http://www.plainscotton.org/rkh/redistrict.html>

PCG is interested in preserving the representation of rural Texas in Congress. The organization does not want West Texas to lose a representative in Congress and does not want to see an erosion of influence of our congressmen who represent the interests of agriculture and petroleum.

At PCG's most recent quarterly board meeting held July 16 in Lubbock, the board voted unanimously AGAINST any plans for revising of Congressional districts at this time.

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Hunters Urged To Take Advantage Of Banner Quail Year Especially In The Rolling Plains

AUSTIN, Texas - It happens in the blink of an eye, but seems like slow motion as a handful of bobwhite quail erupt in thunderous unison from a nearby bush. By the time you catch your breath and check your extremities, all that remains are pin feathers and a fading whistling sound. If you've never experienced the adrenaline rush generated by a covey flush, or want to refresh your memory, make plans to hunt quail in Texas this season. State wildlife officials are predicting a banner year based upon field reports and recently completed annual census survey results.

"If you ever were going to try quail hunting, I would encourage you to do so this year," urged Robert Perez, quail program leader with the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department. "We don't get these kinds of conditions very often in Texas, but it looks like it's going to be a fantastic quail season." Perez points to textbook-perfect conditions for quail reproduction throughout South Texas and above-average conditions across the Rolling Plains. In a nutshell, he said, "It rained." South Texas received moisture in the spring and into the summer and temperatures rarely exceeded 100 degrees. From what we know about quail ecology, the best conditions for bobwhite reproduction are cool, moist summers. These kinds of conditions and alignments don't happen often, maybe once every 5-7 years in South Texas, but it's happening this year," he said.

The two factors that are most important for good quail production, according to Perez, are habitat and weather. Weather can account for between 65-90 percent of annual variation in quail populations. Weather is responsible for a big chunk in the change from year to year in bobwhite numbers, but habitat accounts for the rest. "You have to have habitat and we have habitat," said Perez. "The last strongholds for bobwhite quail in the world are South Texas, the Rolling Plains and southwestern Oklahoma and the reason is habitat."

"Annual quail population changes can be dramatic and our surveys indicate you may have to wait 5-7 years for another great year," he added. "This is even more dramatic in Texas because we're at the western edge of where bobwhites occur in North America and we see more dramatic changes from year to year. We're prone to drought or adverse conditions, which make the highs and lows that much more pronounced. For that reason, it's not realistic to expect a banner year every year. But hunters should take advantage of them when they come along."

TPWD has documented quail population estimates from roadside surveys since 1978 and long-term patterns reflect a history of 'boom and bust' cycles for Texas quail populations. Each quail count survey 'line' is a 20-mile route where biologists record all quail observed by mile and species. The same routes are counted each year.

"Our survey counts for South Texas nearly doubled from last year, with 13 birds observed on average per roadside count," said Perez. "Because of the numerous field reports we've been receiving, we don't have any doubts that conditions are above average."

Seasoned quail hunters and most landowners in quail country have heard of quail reproducing several times during good years, referring to them as second and third hatches. This year, Perez noted, the birds have been reproducing continuously.

"Folks always ask me 'do we have a second or third hatch,' " he explained. "There are actually environmental factors that trigger reproduction, that tell a hen there's a good chance she will produce a successful hatch. This year there hasn't been an environmental cue that says you won't be successful. So, what we have is hens re-nesting after failed attempts. Radio-collared hens have been recorded laying up to 4 clutches until chicks are successfully hatched. This year's extended breeding season provides the time needed for success. Add in the so-called gypsy hens, who leave their brood with a rooster and then finding another mate and we have the ingredients for exponential reproduction," Perez said. While not as dramatic as in South Texas, the Rolling Plains region is also experiencing a banner quail production year. Perez points to an above-average carryover of birds from last year as the key in that area of the state. "There were a lot of adult birds in place waiting for that trigger. After rain in June, those quail began calling actively and although the reproductive effort didn't last as long as in South Texas, it did continue into July," he said. "There's good ground cover and plenty of insects so under proper range management, things look good."

The quail counts for the Rolling Plains support Perez's assessment. Biologists observed 24 birds per route this year, compared with 16 last year. This year's estimate is above the long-term average of 22 birds. "We're experiencing above-average conditions. The last time we observed that many birds was in 1997," Perez said. "There were some areas that missed the boat on the rainfall so there are pockets up there that may not reflect these increases, so my advice is to look for places with adequate ground cover and you should be okay."

While overall population estimates have increased, survey results don't equate with hunting success in specific locations. Perez recommends drawing from past success in the field to determine likely quail haunts this year. "I'd suggest going back to the same areas that held birds last year, because that's where you're likely to find them this year, only in bigger numbers" said Perez. "Things to avoid when looking for a place to hunt are areas devoid of cover, which means cattle stocking rates have been high during the summer," he added. "Look for areas with a lot of ground cover, it may make it difficult finding wounded birds early in the season, but it means there is likely a good distribution of birds"

The statewide quail season runs from Oct. 25-Feb. 29. The daily bag limit is 15, 45 in possession. Legal shooting hours for all non-migratory game birds are 30 minutes before sunrise to 30 minutes after sunset. The bag limit is the maximum number that may be killed during the legal shooting hours in one day.

For more information, visit (http://www.tpwd.state.tx.us/huntregs/2004/animal_listing/#quail) or call (512) 389-4505.



Guests at the Quitaque Lions Club Fish Fry were well entertained by some very talented local musicians.



Folks from all around the area enjoyed some GREAT catfish last Saturday night while supporting the new Quitaque Community Center fundraiser sponsored by the Quitaque Lions Club.



Some of the BEST Catfish in Texas was served up in Quitaque at the Lions Club Fish Fry. Here, Jake Merrell takes up another batch of fresh, hot fish!

Cap Rock Infrastructure Rebuild Project In Turkey/Quitaque Phone Line Rebuild and Replacement Underway

Cap Rock Telephone has started the major project of rebuilding and replacing phone infrastructure in the community of Turkey. This involves the replacing of aerial phone lines and drops in order to improve the existing service. Residents in the community will notice Cap Rock staff working in alleys. Cap Rock technicians will access exterior house protectors in order to replace aerial drops. Aerial drops provide service from the alley to each home.

Tree trimming will also take place during this time. All trees extending into aerial phone cable will be trimmed. The trimming of trees is required to avoid future problems that could cause disrupted service. Additionally trimming is required for ample room to rebuild or replace aerial cable. Cap Rock staff will be contacting those persons affected by the tree trimming project.

The community of Quitaque will have their infrastructure rebuilt and replaced upon the completion of the Turkey project. Residents in Quitaque should expect Cap Rock staff working in alleys when the project begins.

The public is advised to use caution when approaching designated work sites.

Goodlet Jubilee This Saturday

FORGIVEN, a traditional quartet, will headline the Goodlet Gospel Jubilee's October concert event. This outstanding group was the 2002 Grand Champion at the Branson Gospel Music Association's "Showdown 2002" competition.

The event will be the Jubilee's eighth southern gospel music concert since April, 2002, when the series made its debut. The CORINTH SINGERS will host the event and will open the doors at the old rock gymnasium in Goodlett, Texas at 6:30 p.m. on Saturday, October 4, 2003. The concert starts at 7:00 p.m., no ticket is required, and parking is free. Youngsters are always welcome.

Lead singer for FORGIVEN is Mark Green. Not only does Mark sing lead, his vocal range will find him singing both baritone and tenor harmonies as well.

Kris Johnson is the baritone voice, but his range includes lead as well as bass, and his gasp of harmony gives him a wonderful vocal style. Stan Johnson, a southern gospel music veteran, joined the group two years ago, and promises to rattle the bleachers at bass.

First-timers will wonder why it took them so long to join the fun.

SOUTH PLAINS HEALTH PROVIDER BRISCOE COUNTY COMMUNITY CLINIC

CLINIC NOTES:

FLU SHOTS are now available at the SPHPO Briscoe County Clinic!

We recommend them for EVERYONE, but those who are at high risk should be sure to get their flu shots early. This includes:

- Adults age 50 and over
- Children ages 6 months to 2 years
- Anyone with a chronic health condition (asthma, heart disease, diabetes, cancer)
- Women who will be more than 3 months pregnant during flu season (Nov-March)
- Household contacts of people at high risk

MOST children are eligible for a FREE flu shot. Medicare and Medicaid also cover this cost.

There will be a flu shot clinic at the Silverton School on October 16th from 1pm-4pm.


Cost of the shot is \$14.00.

Flu shots will also be available at the clinic any time during office hours. Please call or come by TODAY!!

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TURKEY JAMBOREE

By Marie Cruze

October 14th will be the next Turkey Jamboree at the Bob Wills Gym. Entertainers for October will be Marvin Goodalls Band from Amarillo, Terry Davis from Amarillo, Ron Burson from Plainview. We will also have the Talent Showcase and The Turkey Gems.

The entertainment is free and we always have great door prizes.

Jay and Martha Bradshaw will again provide the \$25.00 to be given away at the end of the show. They are the owners of Windmill Collectiques.

Before the show a supper will be available at 6:00 P.M. for \$4.00 per person you will get Barbeque on a Bun, dessert and a drink. Proceeds from the supper will go towards finishing the Welcome Monument across from Allsups in Turkey.

Show Time is at 7:00 P.M. so bring some friends and come to Turkey, Texas for some good old fashioned entertainment.

Turkey's Dreamland Cemetery Benefactor Of Trust

By Martha Bradshaw

The Dreamland Cemetery Association has recently become the benefactor of a Mohon Family Trust. This trust fund was activated through the Memphis State Bank by Vick Mohon of Whitney, Texas. He and his sister, Gay (Mohon) Chitty are children of J. V. and Olga (Meacham) Mohon, who were residents of Turkey for many years.

This tribute to the many ancestors of the family, who are buried at Dreamland is an unusually kind and thoughtful gesture.

The members of the association wishes to express their sincere appreciation to the Mohon family.

Texas Department of Health Immunization Clinic Schedule October 2003

- 10/01/03: Tulia, Texas - Texas Department of Health 219 SE 2nd 9:00 am - 11:30 am
- 10/14/03: Memphis, Texas - Travis Elementary School - 9:30 am - 12:00 pm & 1:00 pm - 4:00 pm
- 10/16/03: Quitaque/Turkey, Texas - Valley School - 10:00 am - 12:00 pm 1:00 pm - 3:30 pm
- 10/21/03: Clarendon, Texas - Department of Health #5 Medical Dr. - 9:00 am - 12:00 pm & 1:00 pm - 4:00 pm
- 10/22/03: Tulia - Texas Department of Health - 9:00 am - 11:30 am & 1:00 pm - 3:30 pm

*All times are subject to change or cancellation due to weather or scheduling conflicts

HEALTH ALERT

Due to the case of West Nile Virus in our immediate area, everyone is urged to cut weeds, make sure no water is standing, clean up any areas that might attract mosquitos, and put all trash in dumpsters or containers. Use mosquito repellent with DEET, especially at dusk and dawn.

JUNK VEHICLES? SCRAP METAL?

Do you have junk vehicles or scrap metal that you need to get rid of? Call City Hall in Quitaque at 455-1456. Arrangements will be made to get these items removed from your property. Hurry! This offer won't last long.

Sniff Away The Sniffles With Nasal Spray Flu Vaccine

For people who are a bit needle-shy, a new nasal-spray flu vaccine is available for the first time as an alternative to the traditional flu shot.

"The nasal spray vaccine increases the opportunity for more people to get the vaccine. At least 160 million people should get vaccinated each year because they are at high risk or in contact with high-risk persons" said Dr. William Glezen, professor of molecular virology and microbiology at Baylor College of Medicine in Houston. "Five million doses of a new nasal spray vaccine will be distributed in addition to the 85 million doses of the traditional flu shot."

In years past, flu vaccine was distributed on a two-tiered system. This program gave priority to those at highest risk of becoming seriously ill from the flu, groups that included those over 65 years of age and those with chronic health problems such as asthma and diabetes. Now, the vaccine is available to anyone as soon as they can get it.

Researchers completed a six-year study on the FluMist nasal spray vaccine in Temple, Texas, that involved immunizing 15,000 children. Glezen and Dr. Pedro Piedra of Baylor were principal investigators in the study.

FluMist, approved by the Food and Drug Administration in June, is available for healthy people ages 5 to 49 and costs about \$46 per dose. The vaccine will protect against the three influenza viruses that are expected to circulate this year.

The nasal-spray vaccine is sprayed once into each nostril and provides almost immediate protection against the flu. Flu shot immunity takes 10 to 14 days.

If a person shows signs of the flu, antiviral drugs for prevention and treatment are available, but should not be used as a substitute for the flu shot or FluMist, said Glezen. The drugs amantadine and rimantadine treat only Influenza A. Two newer medications, zanamivir and oseltamivir, treat both Influenza A and B.

Glezen recommends that health care workers, chronically ill people and those who are household contacts of high risk people get the flu vaccine as soon as they can. Traditionally, the flu season begins when it gets cool and lasts until April, although it can start earlier or last longer.

Letters To The Editor



Dear Caprock Canyons State Park Supporters,

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Thanks for supporting Caprock Canyons State Park & Trailway. And if you have time, this weekend is volunteer weekend. We will work from 9 to 12p.m. and then join in a pot-luck afterwards!

Sincerely,
Deanna Oberheu
Asst. Park Manager

TURKEY SENIOR CITIZENS

We had 27 members & 2 guests. Jay and Joy Turner were our guests. President Louis Randell called the meeting to order after Margie Pinkerton & Don Turner took blood pressures for everyone. Table games were played. The next meeting will be Oct. 7th, so come on out and enjoy the fun! food! and fellowship!

Marjorie Bell, Mabel Morse, & Oleta Randell were in Plainview Saturday night for the season opening of the Community Concert Season.

Louis Randell helped entertain at the Lions Club Fish Fry in Quitaque, Saturday night.



This new home currently being built just north of Quitaque is a good sign of things to come!

Cuts To Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP) Will Effect Health Care For Area Children

Austin, Texas - Over 169,000 children across Texas will no longer be eligible for health insurance coverage by 2005 as a result of changes to the Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP) made by the 78th Texas Legislature. These enrollment cuts will mean a loss of over \$760 million in state and federal funds. In addition, more than 500,000 Texas children enrolled in CHIP lost dental, vision, hospice and most mental health services as of September 1, 2003.

Local officials and health care providers are concerned about the impact of the cuts and that the cost of health care will be shifted to cities and counties already facing severe budget shortfalls.

Estimated cuts to the Children's Health Insurance Program by 2005 will effect health care for area children. Briscoe County with a case load of 22 clients will stand to lose \$100,881.00; Hall County with a case load of 35 will stand to lose \$156,591.00; and Motley County with a case load of 12 will stand to lose \$55,710.00 according to the Center for Public Policy Priorities (<http://www.cpppp.org/>).

Patti Everett, Executive Director of the Children's Defense Fund of Texas, stated that the changes are unprecedented. "One-third of the children currently enrolled in CHIP will lose their coverage by 2005. No other state has made such drastic changes to its CHIP program or provides such a limited benefit to children receiving CHIP," she said. "Removing 169,000 children from coverage and eliminating critical benefits will set Texas even further behind other states."

Timeline for Cuts:

Cuts are scheduled to take effect over the next several months, as follows:

- Effective August 31, dental, vision, hospice and most mental health benefits will be eliminated from the CHIP benefits package.
 - Effective September 1, CHIP coverage will be reduced from 12 to 6 months of eligibility.
 - Effective October 1, children will have to wait for 90 days after being declared eligible for CHIP in order to receive coverage.
 - Effective November 1, CHIP co-pays and premiums will increase.
 - Effective November 1, the following costs will no longer be considered in determining a child's eligibility for coverage: \$120 deduction for work-related expenses, childcare and disabled adult care expenses, child support and alimony payments.
 - A new CHIP assets test will also be implemented for individuals earning above 150% of poverty, preventing individuals with more than \$5,000 in assets in qualifying for CHIP, and a vehicle assets test that is more restrictive than that of Children's Medicaid.
 - As a result of these changes, an estimated 169,000 children & more than a third of the current caseload will no longer be eligible for CHIP coverage by 2005.
 - Health advocates point out that despite the cuts, CHIP coverage is still critical to thousands of Texas children and will continue to cover doctor visits, immunizations, prescriptions, hospital care and most needed medical services at an affordable rate.
- For more information, please visit the Children's Defense Fund of Texas website at www.cdtexas.org

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Evening Worship.....6:00 p.m.

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Women's Missionary Society.....4:00 p.m.
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Pastor: Arnie Smith
SUNDAY
Worship.....11:00 a.m.

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

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Turkey, Texas
Pastor: Glenda Johnson
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Morning Worship.....9:30 a.m.
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Sept. 27, 1874 At daylight, the 300 Kiowa Indians again attacked Col. Ranald MacKenzie's camp at Tule Canyon. MacKenzie ordered a counter-attack and the Indians retreated a mile away and then "melted into the land."

Sept. 28, 1874 Scouts told Col. Ranald MacKenzie they had located a large camp of Indians in the Palo Duro Canyon, about four miles north of where Mackenzie has camped. He moved his troops under cover of darkness and at first light reached the rim of the canyon.

Sept. 29, 1874 Col. MacKenzie and his troops along with the captured mules and horses arrived back at the wagons in Tule Canyon about 12:30 a.m. After eating a late breakfast, MacKenzie decided to kill the 1,274 horses and 150 mules.

Sept. 30, 1872 Chief Quannah Parker was able to steal back the 3,000 horses that MacKenzie had captured the day before at McClellan Creek.

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

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Thank You We want to express our heartfelt thanks for the many cards and phone calls we received during my short stay in the hospital and since I returned home.

The Family of Judy K. (Burson) Welch, wish to thank our community for the love and support given over the past 19 months.

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The Most Admired Person

Everyone admires great athletes, presidents of anything, and great leaders. Some of them deserve admiration and some don't. We've found that some of our leaders have feet of clay and lots of athletes can't handle the notoriety and more money than any ten people could use.

Preachers, pastors, priests, whatever your choice, should definitely be admired. The Good Lord calls on these people to lead people that, like myself, have a little mule in them. They have to be understanding, used to being lied to, and very forgiving.

There's a few great ones, lots of good ones, and a few that aren't any better at their job than me or you. They have to live their life beyond reproach as everyone is waiting for them to fall off their perch.

I call myself lucky to know one of the great ones, name of Nick Gates from Odessa, Texas. If he was in the business world he would be a wealthy man. I feel a bit humbled, calling him my friend but real glad he is.

God bless you Nick.

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The parade at the recent Hall County Picnic had a wide varieties of entries.



The Courthouse Square in Memphis was covered with people during the Hall County Fair.



One of the many vendors at the recent Hall County Fair in Memphis.

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Paducah To Host Fall Festival October 4, 2003

Paducah's Chamber of Commerce will host its second annual Fall Festival Saturday, October 4, 2003, in downtown Paducah. A variety of activities and foods await visitors to Paducah.

An area-wide Domino Tournament and a Chili-Cook-off sponsored by the Rodeo Association will start at 9:00 a.m. Saturday. Registration for both is at 8:00 a.m.

Vote for your favorite Hot Sauce, when some of the best makers in the state will enter their favorite recipes in the 'Mucho Caliente' Hot Sauce contest. Winners will be determined half by public vote, and half by judges.

Cash prizes will be awarded winners of all contests.

The Chamber will serve a Beans 'n' Cornbread meal, and sponsor an Auction. There will be a number of other food booths, as well as drinks, desserts, Arts & Crafts, games and other activities.

Come and join the fun and excitement at Paducah's Fall Festival. You'll be glad you came.

ONCE ISN'T ENOUGH Texans Should Recycle Every Day

(Austin, Texas) — Once just isn't enough in Texas. That's the message the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality and Keep Texas Beautiful are sending with this year's Texas Recycles Day theme: Texas Recycles Every Day.

Texas Recycles Day (TRD), the statewide, public awareness campaign to encourage Texans to start recycling, is held annually on November 15. The Texas Recycles

Every Day theme encourages Texans to make recycling a part of their daily lives with one or all of the Four Rs: Reduce, Reuse, Recycle, and Rebuy. Events will be held statewide from mid-October through November 17 to raise awareness about how easy and important it is to recycle.

Any individual, group, or company can participate in or hold a Texas Recycles Day event. Last year, more than 300,000 people participated in TRD events across the state of Texas.

To participate in reuse or recycling events, download publications, or learn more about recycling, go to www.texasrecyclesday.org.

The Texas Commission on Environmental Quality and Keep Texas Beautiful are co-sponsoring TRD in 2003.

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This Week's Movie In Review: Uptown Girl

Comedy : 1 hr. 34 min.

Molly Gunn (Murphy) is the free-wheeling daughter of a late rock legend and the toast of the Manhattan social scene, but when her inheritance is stolen, Molly is forced to do something she's never done before - get a job. She becomes nanny to precocious Ray Schleine (Fanning), an "eight-year-old going on forty." Emotionally distant from her A&R executive mother Roma (Locklear), Ray has grown up with a revolving door of nannies and too little stability. Molly and Ray both feel painfully alone in the world, but as they try to make their new arrangement work, each discovers in the other a true friend.

MPAA Rating: PG-13 for sexual content and language.

Starring: Brittany Murphy, Dakota Fanning, Heather Locklear, Jesse Spencer, Donald Faison.