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# **Special Musical Tribute At Gem Theatre For Local Widows**

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On Saturday, April 16 Gary Johnson of Turkey will present "An Evening With Gary & His Keyboard" at the Gem Theatre on Main Street in Turkey, Tx. be-ginning at 7 p.m. This free concert, open to the general public, will pay special honor all of the

will pay special nonor an or an widows in the community. Gary will entertain guests with a mix of country, gospel and western swing music. Make western swing music. Make plans now to join him as he presents this special tribute. There is also a rumor floating around a special guest appearance that evening

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# **Caprock Volunteers Will Be** Treated To 'Dutch Oven' Meal

Quitaque, Texas 79255

Saturday, April 15, from 9am to 12 noon, Caprock Canyons State Park will be hosting a Volunteer Work Day to help do a little 'Spring Cleaning' around the park. Local residents do a little 'Spring Cleaning' around the park. Local residents and park supporters are encouraged to come out to the Park this Saturday and participate as everyone works together on the Los Lingos Bridge on the Caprock Canyons Trailway. "We will have a fun-filled morning of work followed by a dutch-oven treat! Bring your gloves, as we will be working. Please call ahead to let us know you are coming (806/455-1492)." said Deanna Oberheu, Park spokesperson. Volunteers, who have worked all morning will be treated as guests of the Pan-Handlers for their efforts. The Pan-Han-dlers DOG will be presenting a Dutch Oven cooking exhibi-tion followed by a delicious meal cooked over a campfire, just like the pioneers did. The group will be preparing such items as Jalapeno Cornbread, Acapulco Chicken, Southwest Hominy Casserole, along with many other speciality dishes. If you have not ever eaten a meal prepared on an open

If you have not ever eaten a meal prepared on an open fire in a Dutch Oven then folks come on out to the Park on Saturday, to help with Volunteer Work Day, and work up an appetite, cause it's going to be some really great grub!

Turkey Exes Homecoming **Start Making Plans Now To Attend** October 8, 2005 at the Old Turkey High School For More Information Call: 423-1174 ~ 423-1315 ~ 423-1113



The Hope Center, Quitaque's new Community Center, marks a new chapter for growth in the community. Grand Opening festivities are planned for June 7.

### **Quitaque Council Picks 'The Hope Center'** As New Community Center Name Grand Opening Will Be June 7

On Monday, April 11 the Quitaque City council met in regular session. Present for the meeting were Mayor Clyde Dudley, Council members Phil Barefield, Randy Stark, Janice Henson, Arnold Castillo, Tena Bearden, City Manager Maria Merrell and Water Superintendent Walter Skinner. After attending to regular monthly council business the following items were discussed

\* Under public comment City Manager Merrell presented and discussed the following items with the council. (A.) Property in Quitaque deeded to the school from delinquent taxes will be deeded back to the city for sale by sealed bids. (B.) The council was provided with information dealing with major water legislation filed, which would enact new previsions relating to the development and management of the state's water resources. (C.) Merrell informed the council that 85.7% of city taxes had been collected to date as opposed to 82.7% at this time last year. (D). Council member Castillo requested a total of water used by the State Park, total was reported at 575,000 gal. (E) Council member Barefield informed the council of the award presented to the city by the Texas Department of Agriculture for one of the top ten hard working Rural Communities in Texas

\* Merrell informed the council of a Weather Spotters class held Thursday, April 7th at the community center presented by the Lubbock National Weather Service. Thirty-three were in attendance from Turkey, Flomot, Quitaque and Silverton. Merrell also reported that all EMS personnel are now registered with eGenesis as required by PEMSS Medical Control. All personnel are now required to do continuing education hours and testing on this program and Medical Control will track all progress. There had been one ambulance run since the last meet

\* Water Superintendent Skinner reported the fire department had three false alarms since



### Spring at Caprock Canyons State Park is breathtaking adventure at every turn! Enjoy Caprock Canyons State Park All Year Long **Texas State Parks Pass' Popularity Grows**

Campers, anglers, cyclists, hikers and other state park users are snapping up the new \$60 Texas State Parks Pass in growing numbers as the busy spring and early summer seasons beckon folks to the great outdoors.

According to Dee Dee Payne, spokesperson for Caprock Canyons State Park, "The Texas State Parks Pass replaced the old Texas Conservation Passport window decal with the new credit card-style parks pass that provides greater access to state parks and historic sites, as well as camping and park store merchandise discounts and other benefits. More importantly, the pass provides free entry to all 120 state parks and historic sites for members and their guests travel-ing with them in their vehicle. With park entries ranging from \$2-5 a person, frequent park users are finding the parks pass a bargain. Pass monies collected by the state parks go to fund park maintenance that helps keep them safe and ensure that the visitor has a quality experience Also for everyone that purchases a pass here at Caprock Canyons, we will give you a beautiful Ruffalo' lapel pin.

Wilburn Leeper of Quitaque didn't hesitate to purchase the new park pass when it became available. "It's certainly economical. We have a state park that we frequent that's close by," Leeper said. "I love to bike on the many trails. I go there often so it pays to have the pass, because you used to have to pay a per-person fee to go in. Another reason I bought the pass is because it helps support our state park system."

The revamped annual pass is good for a year from the time of purchase. Families who often visit state parks and arrive at different times or in more than one vehicle may opt to make a same-day purchase of a two-card pass package for \$75.

The Texas State Parks Pass can be purchased at Caprock Canyons State Park or any of the other 119 Texas state parks and historic sites and through TPWD's Customer Contact Center at (512) 389-8900

### **Briscoe County Stockshow** Meeting April 18th

A Briscoe County Stockshow Board meeting will be held Monday, April 18 at 7 p.m. in the Pioneer Room of City Bank-Silverton.

Everyone who has an interest in the Stockshow is welcome to attend and all who are present will be eligible to vote. Officers will be elected, judges for the 2006 show will be chose, and various stockshow rules will be discussed.

Please take advantage of this opportunity to be a part of a county wide effort for our kids!

### Maddie Ramsey Advances To State **UIL Instrumental Solo Contest**



Maddie Ramsey, 16 year old daughter of Greg and meeting @ 5 p.m. Susan Ramsey of Quita-Susan Ramsey of Quita-que, recently represented \* Rabies Clinic at teh Silver-

best instrumentalists from



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Thursday, April 14, 2005

ing @ 7p.m. \* Matador Masonic Lodge

meeting \* PAC meeting at Valley

School @ 2 p.m. <u>April 15</u> \* Quitaque Senior Citizens

Valley High School in her ton Fire House 9 a.m. - 12 performance of a Mozart noon ( a small fee will be

\* The council approved a motion to name Billy Jean Griffin as Election Judge for the May 7th city council election.

\* The council reviewed the name submissions by the citizens of Quitaque for the new community center, The Hope Center and The Hope Civic Center were the names the selection was narrowed to. The Hope Center was chosen by a vote of 3 for and 2 against

\* The council approved a motion to set the grand opening of The Hope Center on June 7 from 2-4 p.m.

\* The council approved Tri-County Meals proposal to move into The Hope Center the weekend of April 23

\* Mayor Dudley discussed his presentation for the water tower grant. He received good reviews from some of those in attendance for his presentation. Results from his presentation will be presented sometime at the end of May or first of June. Skinner then discussed problems with the rotating assembly of one of the pumps at the water tower. Merrell informed the council that cost of replacing the part would run around \$5084.00

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Region 16 Instrumental Solo and Ensemble Contest in Lubbock. Maddie received the highest rating awarded to contestants and will advance to the UIL State Competition in San Marcos in late May which spotlights only the very

across the state

Maddie is a sophomore at Valley and the piano student of Robin Boedeker of Quitaque.

NOTICE TURKEY RESIDENTS Saturday, April 23 Is Slated For Clean-Up Day In Turkey Everyone, Young & Old Alike, Is Encouraged To Help Clean-Up The Roadside Right-of-Way Meet at 9 a.m. At The Bob Wills Monument Safety Vests & Trash Bags Will Be Provided. (SPONSORED BY THE TURKEY LIONS CLUB)

charged) Piano Sonata at the UIL

\* Gary Johnson & "His Twin Sister" will present a special musical tribute at The Gem Theatre in Turkey @ Everyone is invited, FREE April 18

Turkey Extension Club meeting

Quitaque Lions Club meet-

ing @ 7 p.m. \* Briscoe County Stockshow meeting @ 7 p.m. Pioneer Room/City Bank-Silverton April 19

\* Turkey Fire Department meeting @ 7:30 p.m. Brownie /Girl Scout meeting @ the Quitaque Community Center 4 - 5 p.m. Motivational Weight Loss Group meeting @ 5 p.m. \* Turkey Senior Citizens @ 6 pm. Come at 5:30 pm for blood pressure checks.



### Mr & Mrs Cory Varnell Ross~Varnell Exchange Vows

Sammie-Dee Ross and Cory Varnell were married November 27, 2004 at the First United Methodist Church in Turkey, Texas. Sammie-Dee's parents are Jimmy and Velda Ross. Cory's parents are Charlie Varnell and Verla Barrett.

Janet Brooks, sister of the bride, was the matron of honor. Julie Ross, sister of the bride, Elizabeth Browning, Amanda Roys and Cydni Walden, friends of the bride, were the bridesmaids.

Charlie Varnell, father of the groom, was the best man, Cody Varnell, brother of the groom, Darren Miner, uncle of the groom, Roy Varnell Jr., cousin of the groom, and Jerry Varnell, uncle of the groom, were the groomsmer

The bride's dress was a silk satin, strapless, ivory A-line gown featuring hand tucked bodice with a chapel train. The bride carried a bouquet of Lenadio Roses

Sammie-Dee is a student at S.W.O.S.U. in Sayre, OK. Cory is employed by Varnell Power Line

The couple honeymooned on a cruse in the Bahamas. The newlyweds reside in Sayre, OK.



### Rabecca Morris & Rowdy Mullin Morris & Mullin To Wed In June Ceremony

Mr & Mrs. Billy Morris of Flomot along with Mr & Mrs Johnny D. Mullin of Turkey and Ronda Love Mullin of Tulia would like to announce the engagement and approaching wedding of their children, Rabecca Kay Morris to J. Rowdy Mullin.

The bride-elect is a 2001 graduate of Motley County High School 🌘 and 2004 graduate of APC Dental Assistant. The future groom is a 2001 graduate of Valley High School.

A June 10, 2005 wedding is planned in Canyon. The couple will make their home in Amarillo.

Grandparents of the bride-elect are Mr & Mrs Glen Martin of Spur the late Charles Edwards of Afton and the late Wendell & Nelva Morris

of Flomot Grandparents of the future groom are Mrs. Lavonia Mullin and the late Woodrow Mullin of Turkey and the late Joe & Dell Love of Tulia.

**Relay For Life** Homemakers Sunday School Class Team's "Stuffed" Baked Potato Dinner Drink & Dessert Included Sunday, April 24 RELAY FOR LIF 12 noon - 2 p.m. **Quitaque Community Center** Please Come Out & Help Support Our Fundraising Efforts

The Valley Tribune, Quitaque, Texas

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#### Ina Mae Blansit

Ina Mae Blansit, 75, Childress passed away on Friday, April 8, 2005. Graveside services were held on Monday, April 11, 2005 in Dreamland Cemetery in Turkey with the Rev. Roger Simmons officiating. Ina Mae was born on March

22, 1930 in Turkey, Texas the youngest of three children born to Orches and Letta Gatlin Beck. She attended school in Turkey before employment at a newspaper in Quitaque, TX. She gained experi-ence in different areas of publishing including reporting and set-ting type. Other jobs included reporting for several newspapers as well as waiting tables and it was

in this capacity that she met her husband, Buster Blansit, of Carey. Ina Mae was never able to have children of her own, but con-vinced that she had more than enough love to give, she adopted her daughter, Letta Blansit, when she was three days old. From that point , Ina Mae devoted herself totally to her family, and made many sacrifices over the years to care for her loved ones. Her abid-ing legacy will be her unconditional love for her family and friends for which she will be re-

membered and sorely missed. She was preceded in death by her parents, two brothers O.W. and Junior Beck, and her husband, Buster.

Ina Mae is survived by a daughter Letta Hinton, and hus-band Billy Don, Jr. of Childress, one grandson, Lane Thomas and friend and caretaker, Earnestine Ainsworth of Childress

### **Turkey Senior Citizens News**

elected new officers for 2004: J. R. Bradshaw, President; Jan

and hope they will relax and en-joy attending the meetings.

19th. So come on out and enjoy the Food! Fun! And Fellowship! Come early for blood pressure

HAPPY

BIRTHDAY

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Rucker

William Rucker, 82, died Thursday, April 7, 2005. Ser-vices were at 2 p.m. Sunday, April 10 in the First Baptist church with Rev. Jeff Addison officiating. Burial was in Bacthaure Compten:

Mr. Rucker was born July 31, 1922 in Denton, Texas. He married his wife of 40 years Patsy Jean Carpenter in 1965. He was a veteran of the Navy, serving in World War II. He retired from Santa Fe Rail-road in 1987. He was preceded in death by a daughter Kena Andrews and a son Jerry Wayne Martin. Survivors include his wife, two daughters, Ann Rucker Smith of Amarillo and Donna Martin Rucker of Quitaque. VALLEV WEATHED

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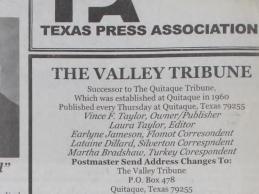
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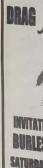
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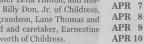
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We had 22 members at our last meeting. Harold Wheeler said the Prayer. Margie Pinkerton did the Blood Pressure Checks. After a delicious meal, we

Turner, Vice President. We thank Louis and Oleta for

their time served as President and Mrs. President of Senior Citizens

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# April 14, 2005 MEMBER

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officiating. Burial was in Resthaven Cemetery. Mr. Rucker was born July 31,



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**FLOMOT NEWS** 

By Earlyne Jameson

#### **OVERHEARD**

During his first session with a woman who was obviously suffering from depression, the psychiatrist asked, "Now, when you wake up first thing in the morning do you usually wake up grumpy" The patient quickly replied, "Oh, no, I usually let him sleep in!" Quilting Story of Needle and Thread At Do Gooders' Club Monthly Macting

**Club Monthly Meeting** 

Quilts can express a story written with needle and thread instead of words and punctuated by creatively intricate designs. Quilts represent tremendous investments of time and effort whether they are spe-cifically artistic or utilitarian was expressed at the Do Gooders' Club meeting at the Community Center in Flomot, Tuesday afternoon, April

The club is quilting 3 1/2 inch blocks of a variety of colors for their homecoming quilt. Mrs. Trula Martin donated the lining and batting for the quilt. Linda Fisher who conducts quilting classes in Lubbock said, "Quilting is something concrete. You can cook and it is gone within 30 minutes. You can garden and at the end of the season it all the public methics concerning that is truly yours from dies, but a quilt is something you can make that is truly yours, from the color to the design. It will last for generations." When the club members arrived at the Community Center they started quilting and continued through the short business session con-

ducted by Mrs. Mary Jo Calvert. Mrs. Alma Shorter read the minutes that were approved. They voted to meet two afternoons a week at the Community Center until the quilt is completed. Hostesses, Mrs. Tommie Jo Cruse and Mrs.. Waydetta Clay pre-

Hostesses, Mrs. Tommie Jo Cruse and Mrs. Waydetta Clay pre-sided at a springtime pink and green service. The table was laid with a lace cloth over a colorful flower designed cloth. The centerpiece was a large old fashioned pitcher in a bowl featuring artistic painted pink flowers. They served chips and dips with pink fruit punch. Those attending were Mesdames Leona Degan, B. Rogers, Suzie Shannon, Barbara Payne, Kathy Shorter, Geneva Martin, Alma Shorter, Tommie Jo Cruse, Waydetta Clay and Mary Jo Calvert.

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Mr. and Mrs. Wilburn Martin visited in Granbury from Sunday until Tuesday with Mr. and Mrs. Ervin Merritt. En route home, they visited

Iuesday with Mr. and Mrs. Ervin Merritt. En route home, they visited in Anson with Mr. and Mrs. J.C. Moss. Mrs. Kathy Shorter visited in Worlfforth Saturday with daughter and family, Keri and Kevin Sehon and son, Brian. She enjoyed attend-ing 5-6 year old Coach Pitch baseball game in which Brian played. Mrs. Geneva Martin was in Plainview, Wednesday for a medical appointment. She is undergoing therapy back treatments at the Re-habilitation Center in Lockney.

Mrs. Anna Beth Clay visited from Wednesday until Sunday in Clif-ton with her grandchildren, Karlee and Kyler Kleibrink. Their mother, Mrs. Kevon (Lori) Kleibrink attended a Texas Bluebonnet Library con-vention in Austin. She accompanied them to many school activities

Mary Ellen "Dude" Barton, Trula and Wilburn Martin attended the entertaining presentation of Lou Burleson of Floydada held Sunday afternoon at the Motley County Library. Mr. and Mrs. Orville Lee attended the Cotton Ginners' Association

Trade Show, Friday held at the Lubbock Memorial Civic Center. Mrs. Darla Gwinn accompanied her daughter, Danielle and friends,

Kortin Carnes, Kasey McGraw, Kourtney Galvan, Jordon Espinoza and Kortney Selby of Turkey to Memphis, Friday where they played and had fun in the Little Dribblers basketball tournament.

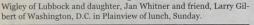
Mr. and Mrs., J.C. Moss of Anson visited Mr. and Mrs. Wilburn Martin, Friday. Mrs. Connie Franks accompanied her parents, Erma and Bill D.

Washington to Lubbock Tuesday for Bill D. an optical and dematologist medical treatment appointments. Janice and Butch Hughes visited in Lubbock, Sunday with son and family, Billy Don and Bech Hughes and daughter, Bailey. Before re-turning home, they visited in New Deal with his sister and husband,

Thelma and J.C. Pierce. Mrs. Tommie Jo Cruse, Mrs. B. Rogers and Donnie Rogers attended the funeral services of Bill Rucker held Sunday afternoon at the First Baptist Church in Quitaque.

Baptist Church in Quitaque. Arnold Johnson had recent laser kidney stone removal surgery at the Covenant Medical Center in Plainview. He is reported to be doing fine. His wife, Carolyn was with him during surgery. Jack and Nada Starkey were in Amarillo, Tuesday for Jack a medi-cal appointment at the Veteran's Hospital and Nada cardiac tests on Wednesday. Nada did not receive a good report and will return at a later date for options of surgery. Their daughter, Mrs. Bessie Reid of Amarillo accompanied them to their appointments. Mrs. Geneva Martin and Mrs. Waydetta Clay visited in Granbury from Friday until Monday with Mr. and Mrs. Ervin Merritt.

from Friday until Monday with Mr. and Mrs. Ervin Merritt. Mr. and Mrs. Tom Ross met daughter and husband, Elsia and Stan







ets and liabilities. I have to put the warmer weather in the asset column, but the wind and tons of pollen in the liability column. I have been gathering up some new recipes to share with you. Enjoy! Here is a great way to use

the Easter ham bone

**Red Beans and Rice** First part:

2 cups pinto beans, rinsed and soaked overnight

2 cups chopped onions

1 cup chopped celery . 1/2 cup chopped bell pepper

2 tablespoons minced garlic 1 jalapeno pepper, seeded and

3 tablespoons minced parsley 8 slices bacon

1 tablespoon flour

After soaking overnight, drain beans. Fry bacon until crisp.

Remove bacon and add above ingredients. Saute until onions are clear. Add the flour while

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1 large ham bone with meat on

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1/4 teaspoon cayenne pepper

1/2 teaspoon sweet basil 1/2 teaspoon thyme

When the first part is good and brown, add the above ingredients and cook 4 to 5 hours, stirring often so beans will not stick. After 3 hours, add another cup of water if needed. Serve over long grain

rice with garlic bread. No garden fresh zucchinin yet, but some nice ones at the stores. Save this recipe for when your garden overpro-

Zucchini Squares 3 cups thinly sliced zucchini 1 cup Bisquick

1/2 cup finely chopped onion 1/2 cup grated Parmesan cheese

- 2 tablespoons chopped parsley
- 1/2 teaspoon salt 1/2 teaspoon seasoned salt
- 1/2 teaspoon oregano
- 1/4 teaspoon pepper 2 garlic cloves, minced
- 1/2 cup Wesson oil 4 eggs, slightly beaten

Preheat oven to 350°

Grease the bottom and sides of a 13x9x2 inch baking pan. Stir all the ingredients together; spread into pan evenly.. Bake for 30-35 minutes or until golden brown. Cut into squares. Serve hot. Serves 6-

Next week I'll have some more good recipes that you can fix for your Bob Wills com-**God Bless America!** 

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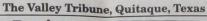
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Valley 4th graders entered the Panhandle Tourna-ment and ended up 4th out of 16 teams. They won against Panhandle 4th grade, Booker 4th grade and Perryton 4th grade. They lost by one point against Claude 4th grade and lost by one point against Booker Storm 4th grade. They did great and we are very proud of these boys! They can definitely play with the big school boys!Back Row: Coach Greg Ramsey, Ben Seth Ramsey, Blake Pigg, Car-son Proctor, and John Pigg Front Row: Hayden Meyer, Ketch Smith, Meyer, Ketch Smith, Brennan Allen, and and Kameron Buchanan.

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**Valley Quailfies For** 

Area Track Meet

the Shot Put and Jorge Alanis placed third in the 1600 meter run

finishers in each event will qualify

for the Regional Track Meet in

**Heads** To

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**Spread Game** 

been selected to play in the annual Golden Spread All-Star Tourna-

ment held this weekend at the West Texas Events Center in Can-

yon. Ramsey is a two time All-Dis-trict selection and averaged 12

points and seven rebounds a game

and follows some other recent Pa-triots in this game," Coach Tho-mas Clay said. "Zack has been one of the main players for us for the

past two years and has worked extremely hard the past four

years. All-Star games are made for his caliber of talent and char-

Aside from his All-District honors, Ramsey was also selected All-Tournament at the Meadow

Tournament, Second team TABC

All-Region, First team TSMCA All-

Region, and as a member of the

TSMCA All-Star team. "I'm very proud of Zack and

the effort he put into getting bet-ter," Clay said. "Nobody works harder than Zack and I am happy to see those efforts rewarded with not only recognition but by an out-

standing Senior year." Ramsey will play Friday night

at 8pm and then at 3pm or 8pm on Saturday. Everyone is invited

to attend this event and support

This is a great honor for Zack

Valley Senior Zack Ramsey has

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this year.

to advance to the Area Meet. The Area Meet will be held tomorrow at Friendship High School in Wolfforth. The top four

Ruben Ramos finished third in

Patriots **Qualify Nine** for Area Meet

Charlie Walden and Alex Espinoza led the Valley Area Quali-fiers as each made it out of district in three running events. Walden and Espinoza were were joined by Fidel Valdez and Cody Barret as members of a 400 meter relay team that finished with the second

best time. Walden also won the 400 meter dash and was a leg of the 1600 meter relay team that finished third. Other relay near marking were Jimmy McGuire, Kye Fuston, and Daniel Alanis. Fuston also finished second in the 400 meter dash.

Espinoza qualified in three other events besides the 400 meter relay. Espinoza finished second in both the 100 meter dash and the 200 meter dash, and fin-ished fourth in the High Jump.

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### NOTICE OF PROPOSED INCREASE IN ENVIRONS GAS RATES

On February 25, 2005, Atmos Energy Corporation ("Atmos" or the "Company") filed a Statement of Intent with the Railroad Commission of Texas (the "Commission") to increase its gas rates in the unincorporated area ("Environs") surrounding the Cities of West Texas Service Area (the "Cities"). This proposed increase in gas rates willing to apply to customers residing inside the city limits of the West Texas

In its filing, the Company proposes to change its Environs base rates and service charge tariffs to the same level as those current rates previously approved by the Cities for customers inside the city limits. The service charge rates have been in effect inside the city limits since April 10, 2003 and the base rates have been in effect inside the city limits since May 1, 2004. The Company proposes to change the Environs rates are affect in the forum of 150 days. effective April 1, 2005. The Commission may suspend the proposed effective date for up to 150 days

The proposed changes will affect all classes of Environs tariff customers, including Residential, The proposed changes will affect all classes of Environs fariff customers, including Residential, Commercial, Industrial, State Institution, and Public Authority customers. The Company's Air Conditioning Customers, who currently take service under a separate tariff, will instead be served under the Residential tariff. There are approximately 17,306 Atmos Environs tariff customers (15,071 Residential, 1,916 Commercial, 182 Small Industrial, 16 State Institution, and 121 Public Authority). The proposed changes in Environs base rates are expected to increase the Company's annual revenues by approximately \$440,274. The Company also proposes to implement and apply a new Weather Normalization Adjustment clause to bills of customers in weather-sensitive classes (Residential, Commercial, State Institution, and Public Authority)

The typical monthly residential customer bill (assuming consumption of 6 Mcf) and the typical monthly mmercial customer bill (assuming consumption of 30 Mcf) will be affected as follows by these changes:

	Current	Proposed	
	Bill (1)	Bill (1)	Difference
Residential Customer using 6 Mcf:	\$13.99	\$15.12	\$1.13
Commercial Customer using 30 Mcf:	\$43.05	\$43.10	\$0.05

(1) (a) Includes average PGA of \$4.96 per Mcf as of December 31, 2003

Atmos estimates that the proposed changes to its nonrecurring charges will increase it s Other Revenues in the Environs by approximately \$30,377 annually. The proposed changes are as follows:

Description	Current Charge	Proposed Charge	Increase
DURING BUSINESS HOURS:			
Turn on new service (with meter set)	\$23.50	\$32.00	\$8.50
Turn on service	\$19.00	\$23.50	\$4.50
(shut-in test required)			
Description	Current Charge	Proposed Charge	Increase
DURING BUSINESS HOURS (cont'd):			
Turn on service	\$10.50	\$15.00	\$4.50
(meter read only required)			
Miscellaneous service calls	\$10.50	\$11.25	\$0.75
Reconnect delinquent service or	\$29.50	\$37.50	\$8.00
Service temporarily off at customer's requ	uest		
Dishonored Check Charge	\$25.00	\$25.00	\$0.00
AFTER BUSINESS HOURS:			
Turn on new service	\$35.25	\$48.00	\$12.75
(with meter set)			
Turn on service	\$28.50	\$35.25	\$6.75
(shut-in test required)			
Turn on service	\$15.75	\$22.50	\$6.75
(meter read only required)			
Miscellaneous service calls	\$15.75	\$16.88	\$1.13
Reconnect delinquent service or	\$39.00	\$56.25	\$17.25
Service temporarily off at customer's req	uest		

Valley School News School photos taken by the Valley Annual Staff

## Senior Spotlight

: Matthew Schied Whittington Age: 17 Birthdate: May 26, 1987 Parents Name: Dee Whittington, Clay & Patti Lowrance My Pet Peeve: Smacking My Role Model: My granddad Don-

My Best Characteristic: My personality

Favorite Pastime: hanging out with Molly

Favorite Style of Dress: Casual Favorite Food: Mealloaf Favorite Movie: "Dumb & Dumber" My Favorite Sport: Football Hobbies: hunting and trapping

Hobbies: hunting and trapping hogs if I could travel anywhere, I would go...To Italy The best advice I ever received was...YLue allittle" The worst advice I ever received was...YLue allittle" My worst habit is...not listening I'm Ihankjul for...My family and friends I remember in Elementary School when...Ms. Johnson drew the clock on the wall. If I could change something it would be...the speed limit Most frightlening moment: When I wrecked my pickup Best memory: Kindergarten Christmas pla I always fall for...Zack's lokes My greatest fear is...clowns Someday I want Io...be rich and retired My most valued posession...My pickup If I had only one day to live, I would...be real sad After Graduation I plan to...go to Clarendon College In ten years I see mysetf...with a wife and kids





to destroy records of students who received special education services prior to 1998. These records include only those located in the Rolling Plains SSA office at 1405 Scotch Street, Matador, Texas. Records herein described include students receiving special education services in the fol-lowing school districts: Motley County ISD, Turkey-Quitaque ISD, Paducah ISD, Patton Springs ISD, Spur ISD, Guthrie CSD, and Jayton ISD. Legal parent/guardian or adult student with disabilities may request copies of these records by contact in Beverly mars, Director of Special Education, of the Rolling Plains SSA office at 1405 Scotch Street, Matador, Texas 79244, phone number (806) 347-2663 by June 1, 2005.



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Menu Subject To Change Monday, April 18 Breakfast: Cereal, Toast, Jelly, OJ/Milk

Lunch: Lasagne, Salad, Garlic Bread, Pears, Milk Tuesday, April 19 Breakfast: French Toast, sage, OJ/Milk syrup, Lunch: Polish Sausage, Pork & Beans, Corn on the Cob, Biscuits, Honey, Milk

Wednesday, April 20 Breakfast: Cinnamon Toast,

The various changes in base rates and nonrecurring charges proposed by Atmos would increase the Company's total revenues in the Environs by approximately \$470,651 on an annual basis, or 9.7%. The proposed change in revenues is a "major change" under state law. The new Environs rates will not exceed 115% of the average of all rates for similar services in all municipalities served by Atmos Energy within the time course. ne county.

Affected individuals may review a copy of the proposed filing during normal business hours (9 am until 5 pm, Monday through Friday, excluding holidays) at 1) the local offices of Atmos in its West Texas Division. 2) Atmos' Lubbock office, located at 5110 80th Street; or 3) the Railroad Commission.

mers affected by the proposed Environs rate changes may file written comments or protests with

Docket Services Section Legal Division (Re: Docket No. 9573) Railroad Commission of Texas P.O. Box 12967 Austin, Texas 78711-2967

Apple Sauce, OJ/Milk

Lunch: American Stack, Lettuce, Tomatoes, Grated Cheese, Pinto Beans, Peaches, Milk

Thursday, April 21 Breakfast: Biscuits, Jelly, Sausage, OJ/Milk Lunch: Chicken Strips, Gravy, Mashed Potatoes, Peaches, Bis-

cuits, Milk Friday, April 22 Breakfast: Cereal, Toast, Jelly, OJ/Milk Lunch: Ham & Cheese

Hoagies, Lettuce, Tomatoes, Pick-les, Chips, Mixed Fruit, Milk

"Spring Is In The Air!" THE LUNCHROOM LADIES

In order to communicate effectively, one must know what is worth knowing and what is worth saying... and the difference between the two. -James Halloran

It is only possible to live happily ever after on a day-to-day basis. -Margaret Bonnano

#### AVISO

Aviso esta dado que Rolling Plains SSA tiene intencion de destruir documentos de estudiantes que recibieron servicio de Education Especial antes y durante el Ano 1998. Los unicos ducumentos que van estar destruidos son los que estan en la oficina de Rolling Plains SSA localizada en 1405 Scotch en Matador, Texas. Documentos en esto son de estudiantes que recibieron servicio de districto en seguida: Motley County ISD, Turkey-Quitaque ISD, Paducah ISD, Patton Springs ISD, Spur ISD, Guthrie CSD y Jayton ISD. Padres/guardian legal o estudiantes adultos con incapacidades fisica/mentales pueden pedir copias de sus documentos. Pueden llamar o escribir a Beverly Mars en la oficina de Rolling Plains SSA, 1405 Scotch Street, Matador, Texas 79244, Numero de telefono es (806) 347-2663 antes de junio 1, 2005.

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### The Valley Tribune, Quitaque, Texas



### Hall County Commissioners **Set Rules For Herbicide** Spraying Inside County

The Hall County Commissioners Court met in regular session on Monday, April 11. Present for the meeting were County Judge Jack Martin, Commissioners Milton Beasley, Jr.-Pct #1, Terry Lindsey-Pct #2, Buddy Logsdon-Pct #3, James Fuston-Pct #4. After attending to regular monthly court business the following items were addressed. \*Pat Floyd, Tax Assessor/Collector, reported that the State of Texas has replaced two printers and monitors in her office and has offered to allow Hall County to keep the used printers and monitors. The com-missioners passed a motion to allow the Tex Assessor/Collector to keep the used equipment.

the used equipment. \* Justice of the Peace Tippett asked that a request be made for re-surfacing of the road by the county jail, as the License and Weights Division of the Texas Department of Public Safety will be using the road on a continuing basis. He requested, in addition, that a small building be provided for their use in Memphis. The commissioners approved the purchase of a 10ft. x 12ft. building, or a 12ft. x 12ft. build-ing, complete with electrical wiring, to be placed on jail property in Memphis Memphi

Memphis. \* Marlin Felts, Chief Appraiser, reported that a check for the county's portion of the total amount left from last year's operating fund in the amount of \$3,611.10 was delivered to the Treasurer. \* Child Protective Services Committee in Hall County requested the appointment of two new members to their local board as follows: Appointment of Tammy Hargrove to replace Wendy Altman; and Jamie Robinson to replace Helen Crisman. This action was approved by the court

court.
\* Rules for herbicide spraying in Hall county were discussed with Josh Brooks, Extension Agent. The court approved the following mo-tion: "Dicamba may be applied by ground application equipment dur-ing the regulated period from May 10 through October 15 with a per-mit from the Texas Department of Agriculture; no permit is required for the application of regulated herbicides from October 16 through May 9 of each year. Damage to any crops is the responsibility of the person applying the herbicide." All members of the Commissioners' Court agreed to sign a letter to the Texas Denartment of Agriculture

person applying the herbicide." All members of the Commissioners' Court agreed to sign a letter to the Texas Department of Agriculture regarding this motion.
\* The court approved a motion to increase milage expense paid by Hall County from 35 cents per mile to 40 cents per mile to officials and employees traveling on county business.
\* After going into executive session pursuant to Texas Code Section 551.071, Consultation with attorney, and 551.071, Matters concerning real property, the court returned to regular session and approved a motion to purchase vacant lots in Lakeview adjoining the county property where the Precinct 2 barn is located, at a cost of \$2,500.00, upon delivery of good and merchantable title. The property is described as 0.321 acres out of Block 6, Original Town of Lakeview, Hall County, Texas. The County Attorney, John Deaver, will prepare a contract between the seller and Hall County, with the county to bear the cost of title insurance of \$2,540.0.

title insurance of \$254.00. \* The court approved a motion to employ Micah Karber as Family Consumer Science Agent for Hall County and Briscoe County to be employed half of the time for each county. Employment of Ms. Karber

employed half of the time for each county. Employment of Ms. Karber will begin on June 1, 2005. \* Brent Foard with Texas Department of Transportation appeared before the court to discuss road materials left from state projects to be given to Hall County. A request will be made by Judge Martin for one thousand cubic yards of RAP material to be delivered to county prop-erty for sharing by all precincts. With no further business the meeting was adjourned.



9 a.m. to 12 Noon for a



### **Texas Livestock Health Officials Resort To Random Herd Selection To Hit Cattle Tuberculosis Testing Target**

Cattlee TubberCutoSis Testing Target Texas livestock health officials will randomly select nearly 2,000 of the state's purebred or seed stock beef herds for cattle tuberculosis (TB) testing this summer, to fulfill disease surveillance obligations of the Texas Cattle TB plan. The blueprint for regaining Texas' TB-free status was developed in 2002 by cattle industry representatives, with a recommendation for the Texas Animal Health Commission (TAHC) to implement a TB testing effort. The plan calls for TB testing all of the state's 811 dairies and about 2,400 purebred or seed stock beef herds. Dairy herd testing has been completed, but only about 500 owners of purebred or seed stock beef herds have volunteered their herd for a test. Federal funds for herd testing 'expire' October 1, so the TAHC is tackling the problem with a high-tech version of drawing names from a hat.

TAHC is tackling the problem with a high-tech version of drawing names from a hat. "In early March, we reconvened the Texas TB Task Force, which included leaders from the purebred cattle industry, to determine how to get herds tested and meet the agreement made with the U.S. Department of Agriculture, which has funded the plan," said Dr. Bob Hillman, Texas' state veterinarian and executive director of the TAHC, the state's livestock and poultry health regulatory agency. "Random selection of herds was seen as the most equitable way to complete a statistically valid disease surveillance of purebred and seed stock cattle herds. By mid-April, a computer program will pick names from a database listing purebred and seed stock producers. We then will contact the ranchers to line up the test that will be conducted by private veterinarians at no cost to the herd owner." "We will try to accommodate ranchers' schedules, and if an owner wants to volunteer their cattle for TB testing, we welcome their par-

We will try to accommodate ranchers schedules, and if an owner wants to volunteer their cattle for TB testing, we welcome their par-ticipation," he said. "No herd is too small for testing." Dr. Hillman said more than 500 private veterinary practitioners in Texas have com-pleted additional TB training and are on contract with the TAHC to conduct herd tests. To volunteer herds for a test, locate a contract vet-erinarian, or obtain information, ranchers should contact their local TAHC area office or the TAHC headquarters in Austin at 1-800-550-8242. 8242

8242. Dr. Hillman explained that dairies, purebred and seed stock beef herds were targeted for testing, because, during the past 22 years, TB has been detected in 15 Texas dairies and six purebred cattle herds in nine counties, including El Paso, Karnes, Comanche, Pecos, Uvalde, Fayette, Culberson, Grayson, Zavala and Hamilton counties. Dr. Hillman stressed that dairy and purebred beef cattle are no more sus-ceptible to TB than commercial cattle, but they usually are maintained in more confined conditions, which are conducive to TB transmission in more confined conditions, which are conducive to TB transmission. He pointed out that milk from the dairies is safe, as pasteurization, or heat treatment, kills the bacteria. Meat also is safe, as carcasses are inspected for wholesomeness at slaughter, and cooking meat also kills

bacteria. "Completing the disease surveillance of the purebred and seed stock beef herds is extremely important," stressed Dr. Hillman. "It will al-low Texas to fulfill its agreement with the USDA and states that re-ceive Texas cattle. We can then move forward to regain TB-free status and avoid interstate movement restrictions on Texas cattle. Secondly, it will provide Texas ranchers the assurance that there is no undetec-ted infection in these valuable herds." "Cattle TB is not a disease we can learn to live with," stressed Dr. Hillman. "The contagious TB bacteria can cause cattle to develop in-ternal lesions, and in rare instances, can cause human illness. Regain-ing cattle TB-free status must be a priority. In Texas, 2,000 ranchers will make a profound difference by completing this disease surveil-lance effort."

### **Motley County Commissioners Hold Short April Meeting**

The Motley County Commissioners Court met in regular session on Monday, April 11. Present for the meeting were County Judge Ed D. Smith, Commissioners Ronnie Davis-Pet #1, Donnie Turner-Pet #2, Franklin Jameson-Pet #3, Russell Alexander-Pet #4, County Clerk-Kate Hurt, County Attorney-Tom Edwards and Sheriff Jim Meador. After attending to regular monthly court business the following items were addressed:



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### **Analyzing 2005 Planting Options** Easier With PCG Seed Cost Calculator

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### May 4 Cow-Calf Financial Workshop Examines Costs, Profits

WORKSHOP EXAMINES COSTS, Profits Cow-calf producers were blessed with another round of high calf prices in 2004, and industry analysts are predicting good prices for the next couple of years. Even so, a Texas Cooperative Extension econo-mist says now is the time to review the cost side of beef producers. "Our figures for the Texas Rolling Plains indicate most producers spend about \$392 per year to maintain one mother cow," said Stan Bevers, Extension economist based at Vernon. "This amounts to \$88 pen lundredweight of weaned calves. Cow-calf producers can learn how to gauge their operation's eco-nomic health at a May 4 Standardized Performance Analysis work-shop at the Texas A&M University System Agricultural Research and Extension Center here. "This workshop will enable ranchers to complete an analysis for their 2004 calf crop," Bevers said. "This is a hands-on event. We will help participants generate and complete their own performance analy-sis."

The workshop begins at 9 a.m. Registration costs \$100 per ranch or operation, and includes educational materials, software, lunch and refreshments.

"A standardized performance analysis lets ranchers compare their operation's performance between years, to that of other operations, by production region and across production systems," Bevers added. 'Our goal is to help cow-calf operators determine their current finan-

cial and production benchmarks," Those who register will receive all the forms they need to organize their production and financial data before the workshop. All of this data remains confidential.

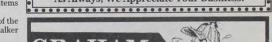
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# Silverton's Chamber of **Commerce Is Determined**

**By Lataine Dillard** 

"What can we do to build up our town? What can we do to pro-mote our businesses? We need to help our our people here." Those were the wishes of all the Chamber members present at their regular meeting on Tuesday, April 5, 2005. The Chamber has received three meeting on Tuesday, April 5, 2005. The Chamber has received three new members, Rance and Nancy Young, Cindy and Larry Comer and the River of God Fellowship. You are needed to help out here too. If you are not satisfied to leave Silverton as it is, come to the meeting on the first Tuesday, May 3, 2005. You are needed to make our city more beneficial to all. You have new and good ideas that work and your input is needed. Don't think you are too young, for you are the future of Silverton. It is going to be the young people now, that need to be the backbone of Silverton. Why not be that now? Following a lengthy discussion on the ideas that Penni Bentley brought to us on Saturdav night at the banuet. other business was

brought to us on Saturday night at the baquet, other business was taken care of. A report on the baquet was given with several saying they had been told it was a great baquet. All agreed that Mrs. Bentley did a great job with her presentation. The Chamber will follow through

The Chamber will be participating in the Briscoe County Celebration on the first weekend in August. Come and join us on Tuesday, May 3 at 7:00 p.m. and let us know what good ideas you have. Then stay and help to make Silverton a great place to live. "Live the Dream", that of living in a small town with a great school, friendly people and a low crime rate, making it a safe place to raise your precious family.

a low crime rate, making it a safe place to raise your precious family. Don't let them or your friends down!! Members present were John Burson, Kyle Fuston, Deb Burson, James Mayfield, John T. Burson, Treena Burson, Carol Sheelar, Kay Hartfelder and Lataine Dillard. Other members of the chamber are Gary and Cathey Weaks, Briscoe County News, Tom Burson, Wayne K Tina Nance, Silvercot Gin - Ken Richardson, Mayor Lane and Paula Garvin, City Bank, Richard & Vinita Howell, Jack Dillard, Silverton Ol Gue Le End and Wund & Stmears and Silver City Moreartile, New

Garvin, City Bank, Richard & Vinita Howell, Jack Dillard, Silverton Oil Co. Inc, Fred and Wanda Strange and Silver City Mercantile. New officers will be elected at this meeting. Please come!! Contributors of door prizes for the Chamber banquet: Myers-Chan-cellor Funeral Home, Brown- McMurtry, Lavy's Pump Service, War-ren Caterpillar - Lubbock, Long's Pecans, Kenneth Wyatt Galleries, Goen & Goen Insurance - George Reed, Cut & Curl, H&H Fertilizer, Cynthia's Malt Shop, Mid Plains Telephone, John & Treen Burson, Main Street Dollar, Silverton Oil, Johnson Gin, Wal Mart-Plainview, Reesinger Bookkeening, Silverton Chamber of Commerce. Burson Beesinger Bookkeeping, Silverton Chamber of Commerce, Burson Cattle, The Handyman, Lake Mackenzie, Silver City Mercantile, Attebury Grain, City Bank Slverton, D&K Manufacturing, Atmos En-ergy - Dwight Ramsey, Rhoderick Irrigation, Xcel Energy - Doug Cherry, Silvercot Gin, Sara Martin - Braidfoot Boutique, Gary Weaks, Cherry, Silvercot Gin, Sara Martin - Brainfoot Bourique, Gary weaks, Amy's Beauty Shop, O'Reiley's Parts, -Plainview, Red Bull Distribu-tor, Graphic Zone, AAA Fire Equipment-Richard Howell, The Altman Group-Byron Brock, Richard & Vinita Howell, Brown Hardware, James Mayfield. There were 86 door prizes total given away. You are appreciated!!!



We have postponed until summer the installation of the heating

Pat Carnes is now keeping the museum open and anyone wishing to see it during times it is closed can call her at 423-1389. The Highway 70 Garage Sale day is planned for the first Saturday

of May and that will also be Turkey Jamboree Day, the museum is hosting the jamboree supper, hope to see you there



Dear Editor,

Do you feel there's too much emphasis placed on the state mandated TAKS test in Texas public schools?

If so, your voice is needed in helping pass legislation that would reduce the pressure of the TAKS.

House Bill 1612 is scheduled for a House Public Education Committee hearing next Tuesday, April 19. This Bill calls for multiple criteria to be used in student evaluation instead of the current system of a single standardized test being the sole determining factor in promotion decisions in 3rd grade. For example, grades and teacher evaluation would be used in addition to the TAKS score.

Unfortunately, our lawmakers in Austin have received only a few concerns related to the TAKS method of evaluation. Therefore, they are going to continue to place more and more emphasis on he test in the future

It is very important that parents and educators flood or political leaders offices with phone calls, faxes and e-mails. We must let them know that children are worth a lot more than a single test score.

Time is very critical. If House Bill 1612 dies in committee nest week it will be two years before a similar bill can be introduced again.

For information contacting legislators go to www.opposetaks.org or call me legislators at 806-259-2662.

Thank You, KayDonna Wolfcale



The Valley High School Cheerleaders for the 2005-2006 year will be: Left to Right: Macy Davidson-Junior-Co Head Cheerleader, Savannah Smith-Soph., Mary Kate Davidson-Soph., Chancy Campbell-Fresh., Joanna Estes-Senior, Molly Davidson-Juniot-Co Head Cheerleader, Jordan Jenkins-Fresh.

The Cheerleaders will be making money for camp with some great fundraisers. Pizza Hut Delivery on Thursday, May 5——Krispy Kreme Donut Sales delivery on May 23. They will also be selling Top of Texas Ad—which is a football book that will show next years football team and their ratings. We ask all Valley Patriot supporters to buy an ad to show your support for the Valley Patriots in 2005-2006 year. We are hoping to go all the way again this year!

Valley Tribune

Valley Tribune, Stanley still loves to read your paper, he still recalls some of the people in Quitaque, Texas, where he lived some years ago. He will be 85 on June 26. He was born there in 1920 to Tony and Lula McLaughlin Pauline Lovell

Pauline Lovell Paterson, CA

Dear Park Supporters, I'm not sure when the last time was that I emailed you, but a lot has gone on since then! First, I want to introduce our new Park Inter-preter, Carolyn Rose. Carolyn is enthusiastic to be here and has hit the ground running. In the future, look for monthly emails from Caro-lyn. lyn

lyn. Next, I want to invite you to our Volunteer Day, April 16th. We will have a fun-filled morning of work (9a.m. - 12p.m.) followed by food, a dutch-oven treat! Bring your gloves, as we will be working on the Los Lingos Bridge on the Caprock Canyons Trailway. Please call ahead to let us know you are com-ing (806/455-1492) and then meet at the Headquarters at 9 a.m. on April 16th.

April 16th. Just a few nature-notes for you: I saw the first scissor-tailed fly-catcher of the season yesterday and the rangers noticed that the mes-quites in the canyon have begun to leaf-out. I guess spring has set in for the year. I hope you can come enjoy Caprock Canyons State Park & Trailway soon!

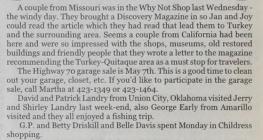
Sincerely, Deanna Oberheu



A couple from Missouri was in the Why Not Shop last Wednesday

biopping. Nadine Davis spent last Friday with her Aunt in Childress shopping. Nadine Davis spent last Friday with her Aunt in Childress helping her make a "Watson Family" quilt for their reunion in June. Louis and Oleta Randell were in Amarillo Thursday for Louis' Dr. Appointment. He recieved a good report. The Kalafus' Rich and Marion will be home this Friday. They are returning from a trip to New York. I think it snowed and rain almost every day they were there. They eat snow, we eat dirt. Seems most people stayed home this week, getting ready for Bob Wills Day.

Wills Day. Don't plan anything for Sat. night the 16th... except-attending the special tribute to the widow ladies, at the Gem Theatre, Main Street Turkey, Texas at 7pm. Gary Johnson is having a free concert. He's promised alot of fun, and its open to the general public. Its no longer a rumor that his twin sister will be here. She' already in town. If you don't go you won't know what everyone is talking about Sunday. Please join us, you will be glad you did! April the 26th. The Byron Berline Band will be at the Gem Theatre in Turkey. 7pm. \$10.00, but its worth it. We saw him at the Royal Theatre in Tulia. After Bob Wills day we will have a meeting for the Turkey Home-coming, we would love for everone interested to be there. Let you know.





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flowers, and prayed for us after Wayne Hunter's passnurse's desk at the hospital. Jeanette is scheduled to have ing. It helps to know that others share our loss. May God bless each of you.

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# **Quilt Raffle To**

Nurses at the Childress Re-

gional Medical Center are raffling off a king size quilt with two pillow shams as well as a matching trow pillow. All proceeds go tovard medical related expenses for leanette Hughes, a nurse at the hospital.

Drawing is to be held at 4 p.m on Saturday, April 30th. You do not have to be present to win. If the winner is located out of town, We are very grateful to friends and family who have it will be delivered or mailed to the winner. Tickets ar \$2.00 each, or 3 for \$5.00.

The quilt can be viewed at the

a shunt surgically placed in may, but must have spinal fluid drained weekly until the time of her sur-

tact Thelma Beasley, 806-259-



### Isn't It Too Bad You Can't Write A **Script For Life?**

Wouldn't it be nice if life went like in the movies and 'they lived happy ever after?' Seems happy doesn't stick around too long but dull or unhappiness just comes and stays for a long spell

I'd like to script life where the people that you love and really care about hang around and are always at your elbow. Sorta' like Chinese food, one hour after the ve left you need more of

I wish my children could have stayed small forever. I just can't get used to them being grown and with their own ideas. I miss seeing just their little eyeballs peeking over the side of the table wondering what's for dinner. Even today, when I see them, my mind's eye still sees their eyes, each different but the same, one set blue, one gold, and one set green.

I guess I'd scripted myself to stay a teenager and working in the fields and seeing after cattle with my dad. I'd drive that 'ole John Deere until I knew it was at least one o'clock and stop my dad coming the other way on his tractor and ask when we were going in to eat. He'd look at the sun and say, "Son, it can't be any later than ten thirty. You must have a hollow leg or something.

If we were working cattle he would always joke with me about a calf getting the best of me when I tried to throw it. Or if we were fixing fence, he would razz me about not stretching the wire tight enough. Being way past grown now I wonder how he took the time to listen to some of my problems, mundane I'm sure to him then, but he always did.

I guess what I'd really re-write, I would have taken more time during these years and made more memories like the best ones.



IMPORTANT THINGS YOU SHOULD KNOW Every day more money is printed for Monopoly than the U.S.

Treasury Men can read smaller print than women can; women can hear

better Coca-Cola was originally green.

 \* It is impossible to lick your elbow.
 \* The state with the highest percentage of people who walk to work: Alaska

\* The percentage of Africa that is wilderness: 28% ( now get this...) The percentage of North America that is wilderness: 38%

 \* The cost of raising a medium-size dog to the age of eleven: \$6,400
 \* The average number of people airborne over the US any given hour:61,000

Intelligent people have more zinc and copper in their hair. \* Each king in a deck of playing cards represents a great king from history: Spades - King David, Hearts - Charlemagne, Clubs -Alexander the Great, Diamonds - Julius Caesar.

\* 111,111,111 x 111,111 = 12,345,678,987,654,321 \* If a statue in the park of a person on a horse has both front legs in the air, the person died in battle. If the horse has one front leg in the air, the person died as a result of wounds received in battle. If the horse As all four legs on the ground, the person died of natural causes.
 \* Only two people signed the Declaration of Independence on July

4th, John Hancock and Charles Thomson. Most of the rest signed on August 2, but the last signature wasn't added until 5 years later.

Conception occurs more often in December than any other month. \* Half of all Americans live within 50 miles of their birthpla

\* If you were to spell out numbers, you would have to spell until one thousand until you would use the letter "A".
 \* Bulletproof vests, fire escapes, windshield wipers and laser

pringers were all invented by women. \* Honey is the only food that will not spoil.

\* There are more collect calls made on Father's Day than any other day of the year. \* Mel Blanc, voice of Bugs Bunny was allergic to carrots.



# Last Week In Texas History!

Apr 7, 1860 Senior Texas Ranger Maj. John S. "Rip" Ford joined forces with U.S. Army Lt. Col. Robert E. Lee and the border fighting along the Rio Grande River between the Texas Rang-ers and Mexicans ends. Apr 7, 1826

ers and Mexicans ends. Apr 7, 1836 Capt. Mosely Baker's soilders kept the Mexican Army from crossing the river at San Felipe. Since they could not cross the river because of the deadly gunfire from the Texans, Gen. Santa Anna & Gen. Joaquin de Ramirez y Sesma, were forced south toward Fort Bend. Apr 8, 1864

Apr 8, 1864 Confederate Gen. Richard Taylor defeated the Union Army at Mansfield, La. The Union Army retreated and the threat of a "March through Texas" was over Texas" was over.

Apr 8, 1822 American filibuster Dr. James Long was murdered in Mexico City. In Spanish, a fili-buster referred to American insurgents against the Spanish crown crown

crown. Apr 8, 1817 Pirate Jean Lafitte set up a base of operation on Galveston Island. He was born a French-man, but was loyal to the United States and would only attack Spanish ships in the Gulf of Mexico.

Apr 9, 1888 The first regular service pas-senger train left Fort Worth for

senger train left Fort Worth for Denver on the Forth Worth and Denver Railroad. Apr 10, 1837 Texas President Sam Hous-ton moved the Republic capi-tal to Houston on a site now occupied by the former Rice Hotal Hote

Apr 10, 1836 Gen. Santa Anna gained con-trol of the Brazos River from the Texan sharpshooters. The Mexican Army crossed the river at Fort Bend and cap-tured the Texan's hidden sup-ply of corn and sugar. Apr 10, 1722 The Mission Nuestra Senora del Espirtu Santo de Zuniga was founded about two miles from the presido of Nuestra Senora de Loreto at Matagorda Bay. Four year later it was moved 25 miles inland to the Guadalupe River, in 1749 it movel to Goliad. Apr 11, 1926

Apr 11, 1926 Mary Ann Goodnight died. She was married to Col. Charles Goodnight for 56

years. **Apr 11, 1862** The Texas Military Board of-fered a \$5,000 contract to a group of Lancaster men to make revolvers for the Texas troops serving in the Confed-erate Army. **Apr 11, 1842** 



RELAY FOR LIFE



1992, came on the heels of one of the most joyous of human events - the birth of a child. "Mountain top" experiences

often decline into "valley" seasons of life. We had blended 2 families together seven years prior to my diagnosis and between us, already had four sons. In 1991, we were favored by the birth of a fifth son - who belonged to all of us. What a blessing this was to our family! Therefore the "C" diagnosis was double devastating.

Around 1990, I had had a "baseline" mammogram due to a high incidence of breast cancer cases on my father? mother' side of the family. I received a caution to follow up with another film in six months. Due to the hectic schedule I was living at that point, the doctor's advice was neglected. In the next year or so, we became parents again.

By the grace of God, the warning was finally heeded when our youngest son was 14 months old and I went to another location for a follow up film. I'll never forget the eerie feeling I got when the radiologist's office tracked me down, while shopping, to encourage me to return a call to them. Their urgency instigated a "wake up call" within me that impressed me to follow through this time.

My primary physician referred me to a surgeon in Lub bock, who amazingly, was very passive with his opinion He was "99%" convinced that this was merely a by-prod uct of the pregnancy. But that initial wake up alarm had sent me on a mission and I opted to not delay a biopsy Near the end of this procedure. I was very unsettled to hear the surgeon and nurses whispering in hushed tones.

Upon observing his solemn expression as he entered my room to discuss results, i knew the Lord was behind this urgency I was sensing. I knew the discussion that was about to take place and as he took my hand, he said, "We need to talk." He as very apologetic and thankful that I'd been led to take action rather than postpone things for awhile. He recommended an oncologist who came to finalize plans for chemo after the surgery. I was told that since there was 1 lymph node of involvement, that this was an early stage 2 cancer (out of 5 stages) and that the prognosis was good.

During the chemo, it was as if a comforting blanket of protection and peace was over me and it remained through out six "rounds" of treatment, which was a preventive mea-sure because of the spread to the 1 lymph node. There were side effects, such as a thyroid deficiency which developed and uncomfortable interference with hormones! Yet, thir teen years down the road as a cancer survivor. I can look up to Heaven and thank God that our (then) 14 month old toddler is now a 14 year old 8th grader. I can joyously relive all of the wonderful memories that we've been all lowed to experience as a family and as individuals.

I thank Him for the Victory over this fearful disease and all I've learned about Him, myself, our family, and human beings because of the strength I've gained as a result. The fear and dread I felt back then fades with each passing year of blessed life as I celebrate God's Faithfulness to perform each Promise He's given us in His Word. This Space Sponsored by The Valley Tribune

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Kenneth Wyatt Art Show Turkey Library Friday, April 29 1-5pm Saturday, April 30, 8am-5pm

### **Silent Auction At Turkey Library**

The Turkey Library is auction-ing the tables that have been used in the library in the past. They are displayed in the hall of the Bob Wills Community Center and are made for bidding. The ilent and ready for bidding. The silent auc-tion will continue until 5 pm on Thursday, April 21. Winners will be notified on Friday, April 22. There are some decorative

wicker tables, some heavy wooden tables suitable for worktables in your shop or garage, a forties style metal table and others.

(Continued in next column)

### **Thornberry Office To Host Academy Forum**

U.S. Representative Mac Thornberry's Amarillo office will host an Academy Forum in Amarillo to provide information to interested stu-

questions. Staff members from Thornberry's office will also be on hand explain the application process. The Forum is designed for potential nominees in their junior or senior year of high school, but all stu-dents, parents, and counselors are invited to attend. This is the sev-enth year Thornberry has hosted Academy Forums.

"Graduates of the service academies are essential to the continued strength of our Armed Services. As we fight terror at home and abroad, we must remember that the officers produced by the academies will be the future leaders of our troops. This is one of the reasons I consider nominating young people to service academies a very important part of my job," Thornberry said. As a member of Congress, Thornberry is allowed to nominate a lim-

ited number of students for each service academy. Applications for nomination must be submitted to Thornberry's office by December 1 of a student's senior year. After reviewing Congressional nominations final selections and offers of acceptance are made by the service academies. Nominees who are accepted by the academies receive their edu-cation for free. In return, they agree to serve in the military for a minimum of five years after graduation.

The schedule for the Forum is as follows:Saturday, April 16 from 10:00 a.m. to Noon, Amarillo Southwest Branch Library,6801 SW 45th Avenue

