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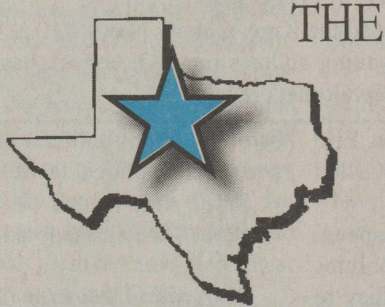
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## Munday Chief of Police Solves B & E Case on Labor Day

By Tamara Smart

The Munday Police Department was one of the many local venues that could be found hard at work on Labor Day, which was last Monday, September 7.

On said day, a Windstream worker flagged down Munday Chief of Police, David Petrusaitis, and informed him that the back door of the house located at 240 N. 5th Street looked as though it had been kicked in. This house is the residence of Ronald Bruce, an over-the-road trucker who was currently mid-job. Officer Petrusaitis called Mr. Bruce and proceeded to investigate.

Although the house was not extremely ransacked, there were

a few things out of place. Mr. Bruce, who was on the phone with the officer, told him the whereabouts of his hidden gun and knife. Officer Petrusaitis went to see if they were missing, and found the Rugar 357 magnum and buck-knife absent from their proper place.

It was at this time, a concerned neighbor from across the street came to see what was going on. She told the officer that she was already in distress as her husband had just been arrested in Wilbarger County after being stopped for speeding, and when the car was searched and was found as a felon in possession of a firearm. The concerned neighbor's wife did not know where her husband had acquired the weapon.

Officer Petrusaitis got the serial number of the missing gun from Mr. Bruce, called Wilbarger County and quickly identified the weapon that Gary B. Hull was caught with as the stolen property in question. The buck-knife was then found in the residence and returned to the authorities for Mr. Bruce to reclaim upon his return home.

Gary B. Hull is now awaiting trial in Wilbarger County for felon in possession of a firearm, and has charges pressed against him by Knox County for Breaking and Entering. Mr. Hull is also a previously registered sex offender. He will probably spend his 30th birthday later this month behind bars.

## Knox County "Yes! You Can!" Program Granted \$152,400 by TDA

By Tamara Smart

On September 10, Agriculture Commissioner Todd

Staples announced the Texas Department of Agriculture had approved \$552,400 for the "Parallel Pathways to Success Pilot Grant Program."

The three districts located in Knox County; Munday CISD, Benjamin ISD and Knox City/O'Brien CISD will share the \$152,400 of that money which has been delegated into the Knox County "Yes! You Can! Program".

Yes! You Can! is a program, that was implemented last year during the 2008-2009 school year.

Yes! You Can! is a year-round program of career exploration and job skills development available for students attending the local high schools.

In working with the Knox County Visioning Team,

Workforce Solutions, the Area Health Education Center, local employers, Vernon College, TSTC and Western Texas College, Yes! You Can! was intended to make college more of an option for youths who grow up in rural communities like the ones in Knox County, and rather than take the knowledge elsewhere, return to their hometowns and replant their experiences in hometown communities, helping them flourish economically rather than "slowly whither away for lack of a skilled workforce".

In realizing that Knox County doesn't have a shortage of jobs, but rather a shortage of qualified workers; the partners of the Yes! You Can! program, people with vested interest in personal and career opportunities in the current economy, took

into consideration statistical needs as of NOW, as well as the emerging needs over the next "x" amount of years.

With this information, the Program sets out to re-define the focus of local Distance Learning and Dual Credit Programs, investing in local needs... in essence "home growing the workforce employers cannot import."

This program blends needed work skills with the skills necessary to be successful in achieving a higher education as well as maintaining the traditional standards set by TEA.

As previously reported in the Knox County News, Kinder Morgan has recently kicked off a four and a half year project, which will bring a predicted 250 jobs to Knox's oil-field economy (not to mention the jobs outside

of the oil field that will be required to support such a boost in population). Many predict the debut of Wind Turbine farms onto the Knox landscape.

Through these industries, there will be many opportunities for youth who grew up in Knox to flourish financially and create a successful & abundant life for themselves and their families.

Rick Moeller, who will serve as the Director of the Yes! You Can! program, had this to say on the Texas Department of Ag. Press Release concerning the grant money being disbursed into Knox County Schools: "[We are] very grateful to have been awarded the Parallel Pathways grant."

Even though we are 80 miles from the nearest college, the use of technology and the

Parallel Pathways grant will allow willing students to take college classes and receive necessary training for their future.

Our goal is to make higher learning and skills training available for every student in Knox County."

According to Remelle Farrar of the Knox County Visioning Team, the \$152,400 is just the beginning.

"Multiple other partners are contributing matching funds and volunteer hours to make [this] program as successful as possible," says Ms. Farrar.

For more information about the Yes! You Can! program, please contact Rick Moeller at Knox City High School, any Visioning Committee partner, or any Knox County school district administrative office.

### LOOKING AHEAD

Mark your calendar for the annual Wichita Brazos Garage Sale on September 19 at the Perry Payton Center in Munday. All proceeds go to the Museum and any supplies that maybe needed throughout the year.

Knox City Chamber of Commerce Golf Tournament is scheduled to be held on September 26, 2009 at the Knox City Country Club. Registration, 12:00 noon; Tournament begins at 1:30 pm. Entry costs for the 3 Person Scramble-\$120.00 per team or \$40.00 per person. For more information, contact Chamber 940-658-3442 or Sammie Offield 940-657-5001.

The first meeting for 2009-2010 of Knox County Retired School Personnel will be at 2:30 on Tuesday, September 29, in the Fellowship Hall of the Munday First United Methodist Church. Members should bring their handbooks for receive updates. Guests and new school retirees are invited to attend the meeting.

Members who would like to attend the District IX October 5 meeting of Texas Retired Teacher's Association in Wichita Falls should contact Joanna Delgado, local president, prior to September 28th.

Al-Anon support group meets at 8 p.m. at Avenue C & 4th in Haskell, Texas. For more information call 658-3926.

The Munday Police Department will host a "National Night Out" in the streets of Munday on October 6. This is an opportunity to let go of a "fear of the dark" and see that the streets are safe after the sun sets. For more information call the Munday Police Department.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!!! The annual Sausage Dinner in Rhineland is scheduled for Sunday, October 11 at the Catholic Church in Rhineland.



Knox City Houndette Lacey Peirce (23) goes to score during the tournament this weekend in Childress. The Lady Hounds played in the consolation game. Photo courtesy of Daveine Clark



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# OPINION

## Overreacting to Obama

By Gene Lyons

"Men, it has been well said, think in herds; it will be seen that they go mad in herds, while they only recover their senses slowly, and one by one." -- Charles MacKay, "Extraordinary Popular Delusions and the Madness of Crowds," 1841

Is there anybody who's forgotten exactly what President George W. Bush was doing on the morning of Sept. 11, 2001? He was in a Florida classroom, reading to schoolchildren. Because it was televised, almost everybody witnessed Bush's stunned reaction to the Al Qaeda terrorist atrocity. It would be years before we learned that one reason for the president's deer-in-the-headlights look was: OMG, what if anybody finds out I blew off that CIA briefing?

But that's not the point. Bush had received a minority of the votes in the 2000 election. He was made president by a Supreme Court decision many regarded as farcical. Yet nobody seriously protested his reading to schoolchildren. Urging kids to stay in school and improve their prospects in life is one of those ceremonial presidential tasks like pardoning the Thanksgiving turkey or greeting the World Series champions.

Making a stink about it would be as petty and ridiculous, as Florida (yes, Florida) Republican chairman Jim Greer's hissy fit about President Obama's al-

leged attempt to "indoctrinate America's children to his socialist agenda" by urging them to do their homework and earn their diplomas.

On cue, the GOP's influential Henny Penny faction took up the cry. During a slow week, cable news networks featured pundits bickering about Obama's speech. (They'd call tapioca "controversial" if some wing nut did.) On Fox News, one commentator denounced the president's sinister motives. "They do this type of thing in North Korea and the former Soviet Union."

As Josh Marshall pointed out, Obama had to be the first black man since Bill Cosby was a pup criticized for urging kids to study. Even so, school boards in such benighted precincts as Fayetteville, Ark. -- a university town, for heaven's sake -- caved to the pressure. No mandatory exposure to the Antichrist's glowing, hypnotic eyes: "Forsake your families, children, and follow ME!"

So has the GOP actually degenerated into a cult? Well, it's impolite to say so. Also, not every prominent Republican endorsed the latest crackpot enthusiasm. Former Florida congressman Joe Scarborough wondered aloud, "Where are all the GOP leaders speaking out against this kind of hysteria?" On CNN, Laura Bush praised Obama's message and added that she thinks "it's also really important for everyone to respect the presi-

dent of the United States."

Even Newt Gingrich said something relatively sensible. So you know the Henny Penny bunch went too far. More symptomatic was a Survey USA poll taken in the Missouri heartland showing that 70 percent of parents would urge their children to pay close attention to Obama's address, versus 21 percent who'd prefer to keep their kids home from school -- foolish, but definitely their right.

A poll in Fayetteville, near the Missouri border, would likely show similar results. In Arkansas generally, the fundamentalist right traditionally makes all the noise but loses most elections to moderate Democrats. So why did school boards cower? Maybe because they know that while Obama supporters might grumble, they won't show up with guns.

A more significant mystery is why Democrats nationally don't make better use of the GOP's periodic episodes of paranoia. While it's impossible to anticipate the exact content of its delusions -- comparing Obama to Hitler and Korean strongman Kim Jong Il, "birthers" denying his citizenship, "death panels," White House "czars," etc. -- their appearance should come as no surprise.

After all, millions of Americans are attracted to "End Times" narratives as theology and popular entertainment. Not for nothing did Tim LaHaye's

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ponderously bad "Left Behind" sell millions of copies. How thrilling to imagine that one's humdrum existence has cosmic meaning. Of course, it's questionable how deeply people investing in life insurance policies and 30-year mortgages actually believe that stuff.

It's much the same with the far-right's political delusions. How many seriously believe that Democrats favor euthanasia? Relatively few.

But you can't beat something with nothing. Which is why the Democrats' collective failure to develop a strong counter-narrative remains so bewildering.

Are they waiting for what Eric Alterman calls the So Called Liberal Media to step up?

That's never going to happen. To cable TV in particular, politics is a carnival sideshow; they're peddling tickets. Countering one falsehood at a time keeps Democrats constantly on the defensive. People need to be told a competing story: who's deceiving them, and why. Take "death panels." Who first concocted the lie? Who pays her? Where does the money come from?

Describing the machinations of the right-wing noise machine shouldn't simply be left to Internet media critics. It should

be an out-front political issue at a national and local level.

Sure, they'll call it "class warfare." They already do.

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## The Paperboy

By Christopher Blackburn

### Time To Be Fair AND Balanced is Now

Fox News says they are "fair and balanced." They are not. They cater to conservatives and are center-right on the political landscape.

NBC, CBS, ABC, CNN and MSNBC are center to far left. They are neither fair or balanced.

The vast majority of major daily newspapers in the U.S. are center-left. Many are liberal. For the better part of the last six years, the tone in this country has been bitter. During the Bush years, Americans on the left were finished with that administration. They were galvanized to the point where anti-Bush movies hit theaters.

Though you may not know by following the mainstream media, the last couple of months, those on the right - joined by Independents, Libertarians and some conservative Democrats - are letting their voices be heard. In fact, they are screaming at the top of their lungs.

I share these observations with you because I have a confession: As most of you know, my views are conservative to moderate. The feedback I get from conservatives is very positive. The feedback I receive from liberals is not nearly as positive. In fact, most liberal readers like my columns on family and friends and really dislike my columns on politics.

I've thought about my views and the perceived views of this newspaper all Sunday. Yes, the towns represented are conservative by overwhelming numbers. The votes in elections over the past two decades prove this point.

These communities, which have always been conservative, but were mostly Democrat (and still are at the local level) until the past 20 years, share many of the same views I do. But am I doing a disservice to readers?

This weekend it occurred to me as to why I've slanted these publications to the right. I've leaned them that way to counter the left-leaning mainstream media. I have not consciously done it, but I have. Now I'm not discussing this column, but the other opinion pieces which appear from time-to-time. This column is my opinion and you already know where I stand.

So I'm left with this question: should I see to it that opinions from the left are run as well? Would that not make these newspapers more objective? Would that not make them more fair?

It's not my job to worry about what the mainstream media is feeding you. It is not my job to try and counter anyone.

As much as I think there is a market for Fox News and as much as it frustrates me to see a lack of fair coverage from the leftist networks and major dailies, it's not my problem. I need to let it go and serve the public reading these publications as they should be - fair.

I guess I'm saying it's time to lead by example. I must present dissenting opinions from my own or else I'm as guilty as the other news organizations I've mentioned. A news organization is either fair, or unfair.

I believe a newspaper's opinion page should present differing opinions. I think it's healthy and I think it's honest. Heck, it might actually make me seem bright every once in awhile.

From now on I am going to even the opinions out on this page. I think the country can use some objective journalism for a change and it might as well start here.

Stay tuned ....

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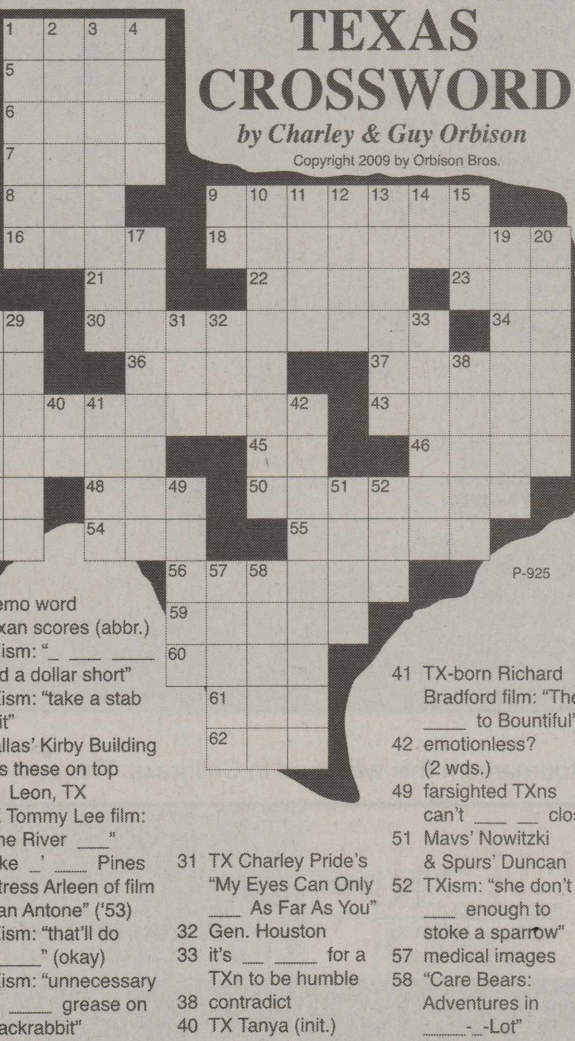
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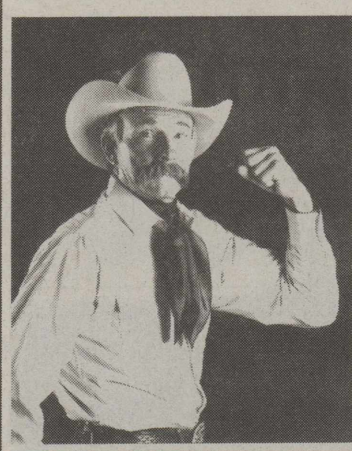
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## ON THE EDGE OF COMMON SENSE

by Baxter Black, DVM

### NOT ONE MORE ACRE

How do you put your mind around oppression for the common good and eminent domain? The explanation most times is "follow the money."

I lived in Colorado for many years. I have watched it grow from 2.9 million to 5.1 million, most of it on the suburban front range. Colorado has unparalleled beauty, an eco-sensitive majority and an under-the-radar abundant productive agricultural industry.

The clash between country vs city grows with each new tourist who comes to visit and stays. What used to be a principled debate between "conservationists" and ranchers and farmers has become a crass, closed-door battle between The Government-Conservation-Realtor-Construction Complex and isolated bands of native defenders of private property rights. To wit, southeastern Colorado ranching communities vow to allow "Not One More Acre!" to be condemned, co-opted, coerced, seized or bamboozled by the government to expand Ft. Carson Military base's Piñon Canyon Maneuver Site at the expense of their homes and livelihood.

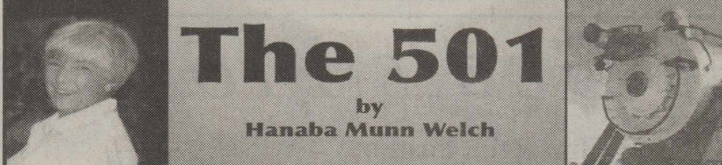
We've all watched family residences condemned to allow shopping malls to be built. We've seen towns nationwide moved wholesale by dam construction or highways. Not to mention feedlots or dairies sued by cities that grew out around them. Colorado, our grand Colorado, has become the poster child for blatant efforts to beg, buy or steal water rights and land to supply the Front Range's voracious growth.

What are these Not-One-More-Acre ranchers' chances of succeeding? If they were Eskimos or baby seals being routed from their habitat, I'd say a good chance. If they were Snail Darters, Spotted Owls, or Dolphins there would be a hue and cry in their defense. It is ironic that there are probably fewer ranchers than there are Blue Whales. Why not "SAVE the RANCHERS!" They are the truly endangered species. But to understand what is at stake you must put yourself in their position. Imagine you are a painter and the government decrees you must offer up all your life's work to be destroyed.

"Don't worry, Mr. Russell," they say, "Here's some money, you can paint more."

How can they do that, you ask? "I'm sorry," says the general, the politician, the real estate developer, the dozer driver, the lawyer, the wheeler dealer and the executioner, "It's the way it is. It's not personal." IT'S NOT PERSONAL. Somehow they must think that absolves their conscience for taking their Judas 10%.

But that may be the reason the ranchers will win. Because for them IT'S ALL PERSONAL. Their lives and livelihood and those of their children, their neighbors and their communities are in unexaggerated grave danger. Their determination should not be taken lightly. Someone once learned the hard way that if you back a mama bear in the corner, you better have your ducks in a row. And I don't hear a lot of quacking. ja@not1moreacre.net



Named for the historic FW&D Engine 501, The 501 is always exactly 501 words and dashes long, whatever the topic. Welch, a freelance writer for Blackburn Media Group, divides her time mostly between Abilene and the family farm north of Vernon.

My friend Beverly is a good driver. Blame me we missed that curve.

Advice: If you're negotiating a curve on a rain-slick road in the Ozarks, don't count on help from your brakes, and don't listen to last-second advice from anybody who's not driving.

Beverly's sporty little red car is (was) a lovely 1985 shiny Mazda RX-7. She's had it 30 years. We were traveling Northwest Arkansas between Hasty and Mt. Judea (pronounced Judy). In retrospect, I'd call it a logging road. Hasty isn't how to drive it.

We weren't going fast, but as we neared a curve at the bottom of a mountain, I suggested we should slow down. Isn't that just like a passenger?

Beverly braked. The car took off, and we smack-dab took out one of those cautionary severe curve signs you seldom see in West Texas except in the sign section of the Texas Driver's Handbook. Whoosh! We were out of the chute hanging on tight, down an embankment, over a little road, through tall vegetation (if memory serves) and then right through Arkansas fence vegetation (not tumbleweeds) and between two metal T-posts, snapping several strands of barbed wire and rolling to a stop in a glistening vacant rain-soaked meadow.

Beverly killed the engine and set the emergency brake.

Cows on the other side of a cross fence stood watching wide-eyed, our only witnesses.

Once we decided we were alive, Beverly started her somewhat-the-worse-for-having-gone-through-a-fence

car and circled around as I held up the remaining top strand of barbed wire so she could drive under it, wheels spinning on wet grass, to get us out of there. Squeezing back between those two posts wasn't easy, but she did it. I should have gotten my foot out of the way. Maybe next time.

For some reason, leaving the scene of the accident seemed like the thing to do.

We reported the fence damage to a man who lived nearby. He said the cows belonged to his brother and that a hundred people before us had missed the curve and that his brother is used to fixing the fence.

Next we called 9-1-1. The dispatcher said we should have stayed put. Oops. We soon lost contact with the law. They didn't call back. Meanwhile, if you're worried about that uprooted sign, I'd managed to prop it up sideways, making it a real attention-getter.

We drove on as rain and darkness fell. Our remaining working headlight shone into the forest cockeyed. Beverly's windshield wiper hung askew over her side mirror. My wiper worked. So did the low-on-fuel light. It came on.

We kept driving. Deer missed us. It got darker. The no-shoulder road kept climbing and curving and descending and curving. Our phones didn't work. No signals. I feared we'd run out of gas and spend all night in the right-hand lane.

When we somehow finally miraculously made it out of the woods to Beverly's parents' house, her dad said he'd heard you shouldn't brake on a rain-slick curve.

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# Obituary



## Aleene McBeath Waldrip

Aleene McBeath Waldrip, age 98, died Saturday, September 12, 2009 at the Crowell Nursing Center in Crowell, Texas.

She was born on September

24, 1910 in Fisher County, Texas, daughter of the late A.W. "Bill" and Ellis McBeath.

She married Lloyd Waldrip of Knox City on October 16, 1932 at the Methodist Parsonage in Knox City, Texas. They were married 64 years, before Lloyd passed away in 1997.

Funeral services: 2:00 p.m. - Tuesday September 15, 2009, at the First United Methodist Church in Knox City, Texas.

Officiating: Dr. Charles Hundley of Crowell, Texas

Viewing at the Church: 11:00 a.m. until service time

Burial: Knox City Cemetery - Knox City, Texas

Under the direction of : Womack-Manard Funeral Home - Crowell, Texas

# God's Promises

By Jim Reid, Pastor  
O'Brien Baptist Church

God puts so many opportunities before us each and every day. Do you wonder why? Or do you not see these opportunities? Many people miss so many blessings each and every day simply because they are not expecting to be blessed of God. He so desires to bless us when we follow His leadership in all things.

Too many people believe God expects too much of them. They believe He makes demands upon them, they couldn't begin to perform or complete. Therefore, they choose to ignore God's activity. His presence is all around us all the time.

Perhaps the reason you fear God's presence or even His blessings is that you fear Him. But fear can become a justified excuse to reject many new opportunities. Fear is not a blessing, but if you step into the disciplines of God you will experience blessings that you never could have imagined before.

Some people refuse to step into God's presence because they believe God will make them more than they have ever been before. Of course He will, or He wouldn't be God would He? He will always make you more than you are and more than you could ever be without Him. Would you like to be more than you know of yourself, your talents, your abilities even your personality? God is ready to equip you to be more than you have ever dreamed you could be and He will prove it to you, your family, your boss and your friends. If you're ready, all you have to do is to ask Him to show His person to you and to equip you to represent Him to a lost world. Really, it's that easy. Read and believe His word: John 5: 19-21 (NASB)

19 Therefore Jesus answered and was saying to them, "Truly, truly, I say to you the Son can do nothing of Himself, unless it is something He sees the Father doing; for whatever the Father does, these things the Son also does in like manner.

20 For the Father loves the Son, and shows Him all things that He Himself is doing; and the Father will show Him greater works than these, so that you will marvel.

21 For just as the Father raises the dead and gives them life, even so the Son also gives life to whom He wishes.

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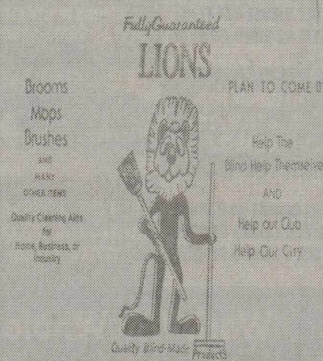
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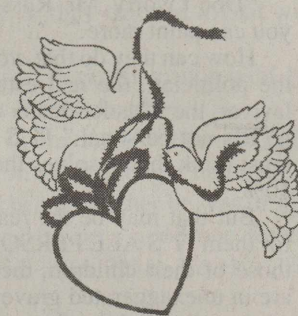


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Allen and Peggy McGaughey recently celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary at the Wooden Nickel in Knox City. The dinner, hosted by their children, was attended by over 40 members of their extended family. A power point presentation documenting their lives was enjoyed by all. Fresh flowers and wedding pictures of the couple accented each table. The McGaughey's were married August 27, 1949 in Seymour, Texas. Peggy, the former Peggy Lou Milligan of Seymour, worked many years for the local Clonts Hardware. She was a founding member of the Pink Ladies Auxiliary, serving as President for many years. Peggy was also a member of the Knox County Hospital Board. Allen, still farming in Knox County, served on the Knox-O'Brien Independent School Board for thirteen years, serving as president for several of those years. Both Allen and Peggy have actively served their church, the First United Methodist Church of Knox City, for many years. Allen and Peggy still reside in Knox City.



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09/09	68/91	
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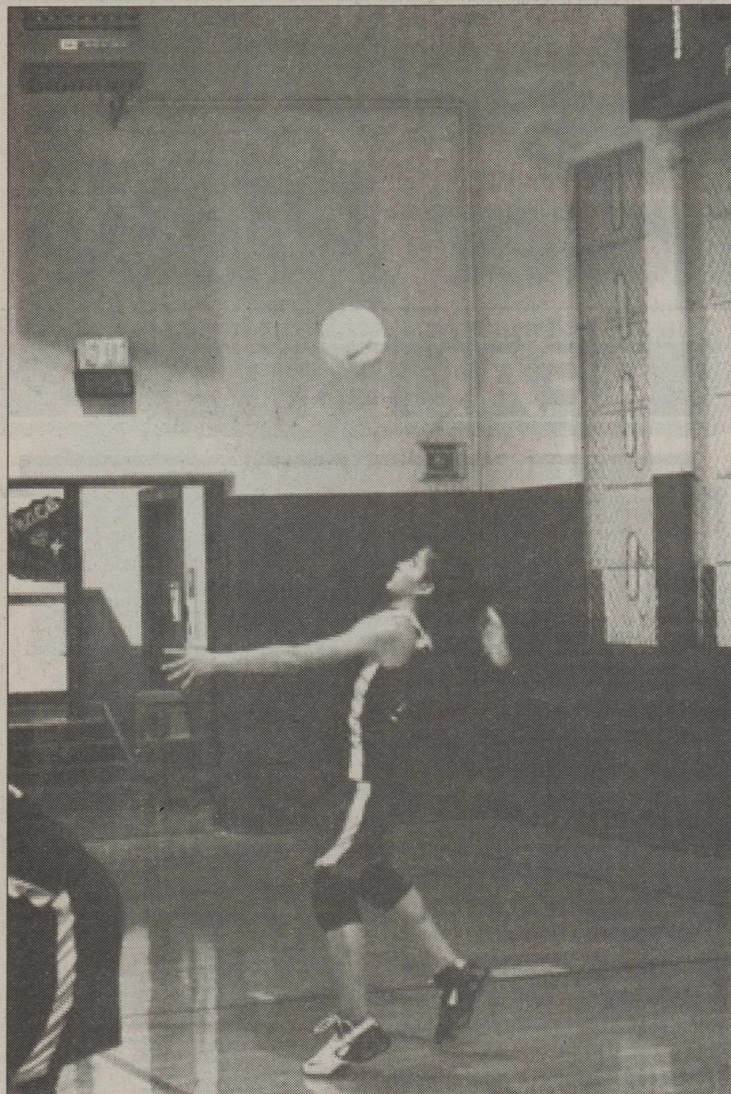


Photo by Tamara Smart

Lady Stang, Terri Miller, shoots a fast one at the Knox City JV girls Saturday morning. This was one of the many points scored on the Houndettes.

**Lady Stangs crush KC JV Houndettes**

By Tamara Smart

It was quick. In only 45 minutes, the Benjamin Lady Stangs squashed the JV Houndettes Saturday morning. Only three games were required for this win-the-series final scores being 25-11, 25-2, & 25-14. The Lady Stangs showed off the talents that all Benjamin fans have come to know, and showed that they are still a force to be reckoned with on the court. The Lady Stangs jumped higher with every block, sped up every spike and served up some devastatingly powerful and "ace-like" serves as the score crept to the "25 point" mark of victory. This next week will begin the Lady Stang's journey to defend their district title as they take on Aspermont, Saturday at 2:00 pm in the Benjamin gym.

**Toyota ShareLunker Season Begins October 1**

ATHENS, Texas—Texas Parks and Wildlife Department will begin accepting entries into the Toyota ShareLunker program October 1, 2009.

Anyone legally catching a 13-pound or bigger largemouth bass from Texas waters, public or private, between October 1 and April 30 may submit the fish to the Toyota ShareLunker program by calling program manager David Campbell at (903) 681-0550 or paging him at (888) 784-0600 and leaving a phone number including area code. Fish will be picked up by TPWD personnel within 12 hours.

Toyota became the new program sponsor effective September 1. The current season marks the 24th year of the program. To date 471 fish have been entered into the program. Those fish have come from 57 different public reservoirs and more than a dozen private lakes.

ShareLunker entries are used in a selective breeding program at the Texas Freshwater Fisheries Center (TFFC) in Athens. Some of the offspring from these fish are stocked back into the water body from which they were caught. Other ShareLunker offspring are stocked in public waters around the state in an attempt to increase the overall size and growth rate of largemouth bass in Texas.

Anglers entering fish into the Toyota ShareLunker program will receive a free replica of their fish, a certificate and ShareLunker clothing and be recognized at a banquet at the Texas Freshwater Fisheries Center in Athens on June 5, 2010. In addition, if a Texas angler catches the largest entry of the year, that person will receive a lifetime fishing license.

For complete information and rules of the ShareLunker program, tips on caring for big bass and a recap of last year's season, see [www.tpwd.state.tx.us/sharelunker](http://www.tpwd.state.tx.us/sharelunker). The site also includes a searchable database of all fish entered into the program along with pictures where available.

The Toyota ShareLunker Program is made possible by a grant to the Texas Parks & Wildlife Foundation from Gulf States Toyota. Toyota is a long-time supporter of the Foundation and Texas Parks and Wildlife Department, providing major funding for a wide variety of education, fish, parks and wildlife projects.

**BENJAMIN NEWS** By Gladene Green

And the Rain came! Hasn't it been a wonderful, pleasant past few days? The world around us is greener & "fresher looking"- and everyone is in a better mood. I love it. Today (Mon) is only partly cloudy with the sun peeping through from time to time so we may begin to dry out a little. But, hopefully, our extremely hot days are over.

Sympathy to the family of Alene Waldrip today. Mrs. Waldrip passed away on Sat in Crowell where she had resided in the nursing center for a while. Her funeral will be Tuesday in Knox City. She was a lovely person & had many friends who with her family will miss her greatly.

Good to report no serious illnesses in Benjamin this week. There's lots of "us" with our on-going aches and pains & don't "suffer in silence", really we do pretty well most of the time & are very thankful.

**Class Gets Together**

On Labor Day weekend, the class of 1983 of BHS met in Ft. Worth for their first- ever class reunion since their graduation. Meeting at the OMNI Hotel, the group spent three days re-living their school days, sharing memories & bringing everyone up on what's happening in their lives now.

Attending were Doug Brown of Teague, Alan Baty (& Lisa) of Duvall, Okla., Alan Heard (& Twana) of Quanah, Lewis Estrada of Laredo, Twyla Peirce Price of Wichita Falls, Lauren Reed Dowless (& Gary) of Seymour, Randy Engbrock (& CJ & son, Dylan) of Wichita Falls, Ancil Redder (& Tina) of Decatur, Tami Bates Lowy (& Kirk) of Seattle, WA, Wendy Pollack of Fort Worth & Kim Conner Moore of Benjamin. Dick & Carol Dickson also joined them for part of the weekend.

Mr. "D" was their sponsor. James Propps of Benjamin & Toni Benson of Iowa Park were the only 2 of the class who were unable to be there due to unforeseen conflicts. Reports are that everyone had a great time & look forward to another get together one of these days. Here 'N There

Lorene Powers & Gloria West visited Gloria's daughter & family (Lorene's niece). Betty Parker in Aspermont on Sunday. The Parker's daughter, Sabra Turner & her husband, Sam, who lives in Kansas were home for the weekend & they enjoyed a visit with them.

Joy Yancey of Wichita Falls was a weekend visitor with her sisters, Imagean Young & Jane Gideon & their families.

Mark Brown has been a patient in Baylor Hospital in Dallas the past few days. Was feeling better on Fri & thought he might be released during the weekend. Haven't heard whether he was or not.

The football game Fri. nite proved to be a good one for the Mustangs who came out winners-40-8 over Paint Creek. The Mustangs have an open date this week.

The Volleyball girls traveled to Bryson Tuesday nite & were defeated in the first 3 games. On Sat. they played KC JV over here, playing with much more confidence. They go to Childress Tues for a game with the Lady Bobcat.

My Sunday guest were my granddaughter, Beckie Keys & children Dillon & Randi & Dillon's friend, Chance Galyon of Childress who visited Beckie's parents, Mike & Debbie Moorhouse.

Don't forget the garage sale Sat. in Munday to benefit the museum- Go by- (and buy) remember other trash. Remember others trash maybe your treasure.



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# Hounds Win 55-8 For Third Week Straight

By Tamiara Smart

Some worried about the weather. Yet, the looming rain clouds, a damp field, very un-Texas-like conditions coupled with the Chillicothe Eagles were completely ineffective at stopping the Knox City Greyhounds in their winning streak as they, yet again, "45ed" the brave team daring to take them on. This week, the Chillicothe Eagle football team became their latest victim as of last Friday.

This is the third straight game that has ended before the clock wound down (this game ending at half time), and the third straight game where the fi-

nal score has been 55-8. Stats Courtesy of the KC Coaching Staff:  
 Team Totals  
 KC offense-265 yards(79 passing, 186 rushing)  
 Chillicothe Offense-104 yards(35 passing, 69 rushing)  
 Rushing  
 Ryan Ledesma-85 yards, 2 TD's  
 Zach Shaver-45 yards  
 MJ Abila-35 yards, 1 TD  
 Marcell Lewis-21 yards, 1 TD  
 Passing  
 MJ Abila-3-7-79 yards, 2 TD's  
 Receiving

Blake Jones-1 catch 60 yards, 1 TD  
 Brandon Bradley-1 catch 11 yards  
 Bandy Moeller-1 catch 8 yards, 1 TD  
 Defense  
 Zach Shaver-7 tackles  
 MJ Abila-6 tackles, 1 interception for a TD  
 Ryan Ledesma-6 tackles, 1 fumble recovery  
 Marcell Lewis-5 tackles and 1 sack  
 Players of the game  
 Defensive Players-Marcell Lewis and Zach Shaver  
 Offensive Players-Ryan Ledesma and Austin Valimont

Big Play of the game-MJ Abila  
 Scout Team Player-TJ Moore and Brandon York  
 Coaches Quotes  
 "I was a little worried about the weather. It caused a few problems early but we over came it and took care of business. I am proud of the guys for putting all the weather distractions aside and finishing the game at half-time. If we are going to compete at a high level, we are going to have to overcome bad things happening. We did that Friday night."  
 "We stepped up on defense and put a lot of pressure on their

quarterback. We forced them to do things that they are not use to doing. Holding teams to eight points in a six-man football game is something to be proud of. We have scored a defensive touchdown in every game."  
 "We put up 55 points for the third time in a row. I will take that right now in every game we play. We have so many weapons on offense. You can't just stop one guy and shut us down. We are successful because it is a team effort."  
 This next week, on Friday, the Hounds will travel to Bryson and try and continue their winning streak- maybe even their "45" streak over the

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## Knox City Varsity Houndettes Leave Childress Tourney As Consolation Semi-finalists

By Tamara Smart

The Knox City Houndettes have had an eventful week on the court, ending the week with a season record of 11 & 8; wins outnumbering losses.

Last Tuesday, September 8, The Houndettes hosted Wichita Falls Christ Academy and proceeded to show them how Knox City Houndettes play the game, as they won in a series of three versus Christ Academy; 25-22, 25-7, 25-17. Destini Billington was the high scorer in the first game of this series with 4 points, Laura Vasquez was the lead scorer in the second game with 8 points, and Lacey Pierce led in scoring in the third game with 6 points.

Thursday saw the girls in the Pool Play of the Childress tournament, which was a series of games (each comprised of 2 games - first to the score of 15 being the winner) to decide their seed during the actual tourna-

ment on Saturday. During Pool Play, the Houndettes first faced off against Snyder, a Three "A" school, and was beat in both games (15-9 & 15-11). Next, the Houndettes faced Aspermont, winning the first game (15-9) and losing the second (13-15). During this game Brittany Baker and Destini Billington scored 5 points each. Finally, the Ladies faced off against Ft. Elliot, who are always Regional Contenders, and lost both games (7-15 as the final score in both games). After this day of Pool Play, the Houndettes were considered the "3 seed" of their pool, which was how their games on Saturday were scheduled.

Saturday morning in Childress started with the Houndettes playing the #1 Seed of another pool, Olton High School, and losing in a series of 2 (20-25 & 22-25).

The second game of the day brought was the "Consolation

Semi-Final Game" with Houndettes versus Chillicothe JV. The Houndettes won in only 2 matches; the first score finalized at 25-9 (both Brittany Gonzales and Lacey pierce bringing home 5 points each in that game), and 25-12 (Brittany Gonzales, Brittany Baker and Destini Billington all scoring 4 points each in that game).

The final game of the tournament for the Houndettes, the Consolation Championship

game, pitted the Ladies against Paducah, who they have faced several times already during this season of play. This time, it was a fight. The Houndettes took the first game 25-21 (Lacey Pierce with 7 points), but then lost the next two games with scores ending in 22-25 and 21-25.

The Houndettes will play Bryson on Tuesday, September 16 & then begin "district" play this weekend September 19 versus Rotan.

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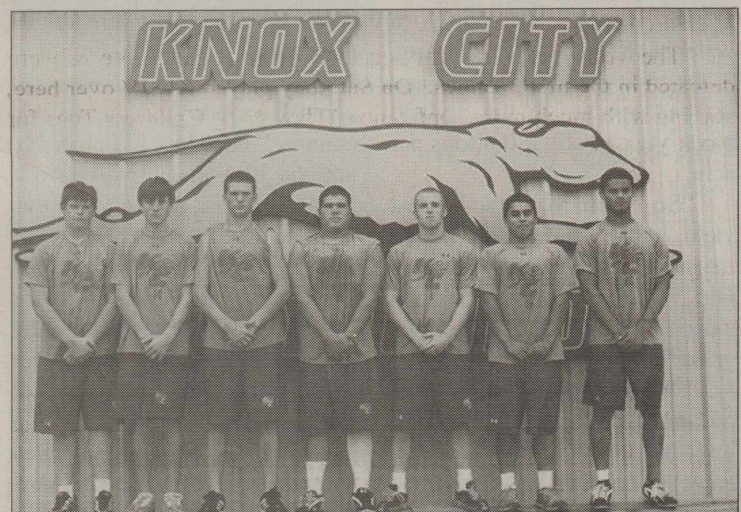
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Knox City Greyhounds "Players of the Week" Awarded Against the Chillicothe Eagles. Pictured are: Defensive Players-Marcell Lewis & Zach Shaver; Offensive Players-Ryan Ledesma & Austin Valimont; Big Play of the Game-MJ Abila; Scout Team Player-TJ Moore.



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The proposed amendment would appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment authorizing the financing, including through tax increment financing, of the acquisition by municipalities and counties of buffer areas or open spaces adjacent to a military installation for the prevention of encroachment or for the construction of roadways, utilities, or other infrastructure to protect or promote the mission of the military installation."

**PROPOSITION 2**  
HJR 36 would amend the constitution to authorize the legislature to provide for the taxation of a residence homestead solely on the basis of the property's value as a residence homestead, regardless of whether the property may have a higher value if it were used for other purposes.

The proposed amendment would appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment authorizing the legislature to provide for the ad valorem taxation of a residence homestead solely on the basis of the property's value as a residence homestead."

**PROPOSITION 3**  
HJR 36 would amend the constitution to require the legislature to provide for the administration and enforcement of uniform standards and procedures for appraisal of property for ad valorem tax purposes.

The proposed amendment would appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment providing for uniform standards and procedures for the appraisal of property for ad valorem tax purposes."

**PROPOSITION 4**  
HJR 14 would amend the constitution to establish the national research university fund to provide a source of funding that will enable emerging research universities in this state to develop into major research universities. The amendment would require the legislature to dedicate state revenue to the fund and to transfer the balance of the existing higher education fund to the national research university fund. This amendment would further require the legislature to establish the criteria by which a state university may become eligible to receive and use distributions from the fund.

The proposed amendment would appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment establishing the national research university fund to enable emerging research universities in this state to achieve national prominence as major research universities and transferring the balance of the higher education fund to the national research university fund."

**PROPOSITION 5**  
HJR 36 would amend the constitution to authorize the legislature to allow for a single appraisal review board for two or more adjoining appraisal entities that elect to provide for consolidated reviews of tax appraisals.

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tion to authorize the Veterans' Land Board to issue general obligation bonds, subject to certain constitutional limits, for the purpose of selling land and providing home or land mortgage loans to veterans of the state.

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**PROPOSITION 10**  
HJR 85 would amend the constitution to authorize the legislature to provide that members of the governing board of an emergency services district may serve terms not to exceed four years.

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The proposed amendment would appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment to prohibit the taking, damaging, or destroying of private property for public use unless the action is for the ownership, use, and enjoyment of the property by the State, a political subdivision of the State, the public at large, or entities granted the power of eminent domain, or for the removal of urban blight. The amendment would prohibit the taking of private property for transfer to a private entity for the purpose of economic development or to increase tax revenues. The amendment would also limit the legislature's authority to grant the power of eminent domain in the future unless it is approved by a two-thirds vote of all the members elected to each house."

The proposed amendment would appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment to prohibit the taking, damaging, or destroying of private property for public use unless the action is for the ownership, use, and enjoyment of the property by the State, a political subdivision of the State, the public at large, or entities granted the power of eminent domain under law or for the elimination of urban blight on a particular parcel of property, but not for certain economic development or enhancement of tax revenue purposes, and to limit the legislature's authority to grant the power of eminent domain to an entity."

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Dated September 3, 2009, at Benjamin Texas  
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# Irrigated, dryland grasses studied for profitability in High Plains

LEDBETTER — Dr. Brent Bean, Texas AgriLife Extension Service agronomist in Amarillo, is trying to help answer a question about the profitability of warm-season grass production for hay or grazing under dryland and irrigation in the High Plains.

In a region known as cattle country, Bean said producers are looking for an alternative that would complement their row crop program. But not enough is known about the production of some of the improved native and introduced warm-season grass species and varieties.

In a project funded in part by the Ogallala Aquifer federal initiative and a state cropping systems initiative, he began the study in 2007 by establishing six warm-season grasses at the North Plains Research Field south of Etter.

The six grasses were: Hatchita blue grama, Texoka buffalograss, WW Spar Old World bluestem, Haskell sideoats grama, Wrangler Bermuda grass and Blackwell switchgrass. Each grass was planted in blocks under dryland, limited and full irrigation conditions.

The irrigation applications are based on data gathered from a weather station that is part of the North Plains Potential Evapotranspiration Network, which allows Bean and his crew to determine water use on a daily basis.

"The fully irrigated plots are irrigated weekly with the amount of water needed to replace the water used from the previous week," he said, adding the limited-irrigation plots receive half the amount of water and the dryland receives no supplemental irrigation.

In addition, both nitrogen and phosphorus have been applied each year based on soil test analyses to ensure that nutrients did not limit yield potential; Bean said.

"Since 2008 we have been collecting yield and nutrient data," he said.

Two papers on the results can be found at <http://amarillo.tamu.edu/programs/agronomy/publications/Other>.

Emalee Buttrey, AgriLife Extension assistant and West Texas A&M University graduate student, is working on the project from a cattle-management standpoint, particularly cattle nutrition.

There was no additional water applied to the dryland in 2008, the limited-irrigation plots received 7.33 inches and the fully

irrigated received 14.7 inches from June through September, Buttrey said.

Growing season rainfall in 2008 was 5.84 inches and so far in 2009 there's been 6.13 inches, she said. There was 0.72 inch of irrigation applied to the dryland plots after fertilizer this year to help get the fertilizer incorporated; and 6.81 inches and almost 14 inches were applied this year to the limited and irrigated plots, respectively.

"We made four harvests last year and, as we would expect, as irrigation levels increased, the yield increased," Buttrey said. "Some grass species responded differently to different amounts of water."

The Spar Old World bluestem has produced the most tonnage over the entire season, she said. When gathering nutritive value data, the energy value was highest with switchgrass under full irrigation.

"The highest level of crude protein was on dryland," Buttrey said. "With less yield, we can have higher protein since more of the nitrogen is available for conversion to crude protein."

During the June 1 harvest this year, there was a marked response to water, Buttrey said. Bermuda grass on dryland was pretty low yielding with 0.15 tons per acre compared to 0.73 tons per acre for switchgrass.

"As we increase water, we increase yield in all of the grasses," she said.

Because precipitation was almost nonexistent during May and June, very little forage was present in the dryland plots during the July 1 harvest, Bean said.

Under irrigation, the Old World bluestem in July was the highest yielder, but it was low in June, Buttrey said, showing the grasses respond differently to water at different times. On Aug. 3, the blue grama, bluestem and sideoats grasses in the dryland block yielded about 0.4 tons per acre.

"So far this year, the highest yield under full and limited irrigation has been with the Old World bluestem, (Haskell) sideoats grama and Bermuda grass," Bean said.

The grass plots will receive one more cutting in September, and a final nutritive value analyses for each harvest will be completed, Buttrey said.

Dr. Larry Redmon, AgriLife Extension forage specialist from College Station, said his primary interest is in the dryland grasses

to absolutely reduce the amount of water used in the production system.

"Getting some warm-season perennial grasses established was the goal," Redmon said. "I think there will be a lot of interest eventually in people going back to grass. One question we had was: How do introduced warm-season perennial grasses compare with the native species?"

He said while there are several native grass species found in the High Plains, three species -- buffalo grass, blue grama and side oats grama -- are the most dominant.

"But there's been interest in the past in putting Bermuda grass under a circle (of irrigation). Due to the demand for water and fertilizer and coupled with a short growing season in the High Plains, Bermuda grass has not proved economically viable for most producers," Redmon said.

He said some Conservation Reserve Program fields have Old World bluestems that haven't had a bit of care but have persisted for many years, and that a small amount of nitrogen fertilizer can go a long way with them.

Spar is a variety that has a reputation of having the highest level of drought tolerance among the Old World bluestems, Redmon said. In the Plains mixture of 30 different grass lines, Spar rose to the top for drought tolerance.

"There's others that probably have a higher nutritive value, but might not have the cold or drought tolerance of Spar," he said.


WW B Dahl is another Old World bluestem with promise, Redmon said, although its lack of cold tolerance is still up for discussion. It is late-maturing, produces more nutritive value, but it doesn't have quite the level of drought tolerance as does Spar.

"I'm a little concerned about Bermuda grass up in this country," he said. "It's probably not the best idea. Likely we'll have \$1,200-a-ton phosphorus again and \$700-a-ton urea again. As we look down the road at declining water resources for irrigated agriculture and the projected increases in fertilizer costs, my attention is drawn to these natives."

Even in the Brazos Valley and the Trinity River Basin, there's a tremendous interest in restoring these Bermuda grass fields to native prairie vegetation, Redmon said.

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