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LOOKING AHEAD

The Brazos West Art Association is showing their artwork in the Knox City Chamber of Commerce Office. The beautiful paintings and Irish Potato Jewelry of local artists have been on display since last week and will remain for a limited time. To find out more about the Brazos Art Association or the artwork on display please contact the Knox City Chamber of Commerce office at (940) 658-3442 or visit 123 N. Central Ave. in Knox City.

Recovery Act Allocates Millions For Farmers

Tonya R. Watson, Farm Loan Manager for USDA's Farm Service Agency in Texas announced today that FSA has obligated all of the \$173 million provided in the Recovery Act for its Direct Operating Farm Loan Program, which gave 2,636 producers direct loans from the agency of which almost 50% were beginning farmers and 10% socially disadvantaged producers. There were \$12.3 million in loans made to 163 borrowers in Texas.

"These loans were used to purchase items such as farm equipment, feed, seed, fuel and other operating expenses and will stimulate rural economies by providing American farmers funds to operate," said Watson.

Applications were considered on a first come, first served basis with special emphasis placed on beginning and socially disadvantaged applicants. The maximum loan amount was \$300,000.

In keeping with the president's goal for the Recovery Act, this loan funding was intended for proper investment into the agricultural sector, to benefit both family farmers and rural economies. The Recovery Act was designed to preserve or create millions of jobs throughout the country and these loans help ensure that recipients remain financially viable and local agri-businesses benefit from direct purchases.

Here is a hypothetical example of purchases made with a \$100,000 direct operating loan:

- Used Farm Tractor: \$45,000
 - Livestock: \$18,000
 - Seed: \$15,000
 - Fertilizer: \$10,000 • Fuel: \$12,000

The effect of this loan reaches the local implement dealership, sale barn, the grain seed distributor, the fertilizer distributor and a

local fuel dealership. For specific information on direct operating loans and other FSA farm loan programs, please contact Tonya R. Watson Farm Loan Manager at 940-937-8624. You can also obtain information from the FSA website at http:// www.fsa.usda.gov.

Sequoyah Reynolds wins 2009 "Most Appreciated Citizen Award" By Tamara Smart

Chamber of Commerce has been ings-on around the city. awarding one citizen of Knox City the "Most Appreciated the evening, the honor of the to outsiders as well. Her house Citizen" award. 2009 "most appreciated citizen" was awarded during the 43rd speaking about this amazing citi-

Wooden Nickel. and invocation from Chamber the world." Director, Dale Turner, a few ofone of Steve Pepper's famous better half of a century and seen steak meals, it was down to busi- the likes of tornados, a slippery ness at the banquet.

Barbara Rector who took guests cal department store, at Smith

annual Chamber banquet at the zen, Mr. Pepper referenced one After a musical inter- has made "the difference in the Memorial Most Appreciated lude from Abilene band "The lives of so many people you can't Citizen that was accused of being Swindlers" featuring local Ryan even count them, not only here in a known "street walker" in her in-Harrington, a warm welcome Knox City, but literally around troduction, as she's been known

economy and almost all the lofollowed by City Administrator, the local drug store, in the lo-

on a verbal "city tour", enlight- Funeral Home, The Stamp Store, Since 1970, the Knox City ening those listening of the go- and most recently at the Knox City Florist. She has opened And for the highlight of her home to not only family but "E. Hobb Smith Memorial Most has had a rotating door for for-On Saturday, April 4, the Appreciated Award" was in- eign exchange students and other troduced by Steve Pepper. In youth who just needed a safe place to call home.

> This is probably the first local volunteer whose influence recipient of the E Hobb Smith to walk the streets of Knox City This appreciated woman has and stop in front of houses and people inside.

Saquoyah Reynolds might be the most appreciated citizen Marla Hawkins took the cal children as they've grown in Knox County, much less Knox stage and gave the Chamber of up. This lady has been a proud City, but most people never real-Commerce's President Report wife and mother, has worked at ized how much they loved her

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(Photo by Jason Smart)

fers of "double dog daring" and been known in Knox City for the businesses alike and pray for the After the Annual Chamber of Commerce Dinner where Sequoyah Reynolds received this years' "E. Hobb Smith Memorial Most Appreciated Citizen" award, people who love her and appreciate her surround her. Pictured: (from top left) Steve Pepper, Cindy Reynolds (daughter-in-law), Bud Reynolds (husband), Billy Bob Reynolds (son), Marla Hawkins (President of the Knox City Chamber of Commerce); (front row) Kay Pepper (Peppers Dry Goods), Barbara Barnard (Knox City Florist) and Sequoyah Reynolds.



Knox County News Photo

Jim Everitt cuts the ribbon for the Stonewall Memorial Hospital Alternatives Program Open House March 31.

Stonewall Memorial Hospital's Alternatives Program Celebrates Open House

their newest department, Thest The journey to emotional well Alternatives Program, with an being does not need to be alone. Open House. Mayor Billie Carter Alternatives believes in providand Hospital Board of Directors, ing a safe, warm, compassion-Jim Everitt, cut the ribbon to be- ate, and therapeutic environment munity resources available to gin the celebration.

The staff provided a tour Pauline Velez, LCSW, Director.

encing emotional distress. This symptoms. program is devoted to providing and find healthy alternatives in family, and group coping with life stressors. The counseling under the direction phy is helping individuals identi-

On March 31, Stonewall fy emotional barriers to facilitate Psychiatrist/Licensed needed to create change.

the staff are; Sherry Nixon, der treated, with serious conse-RN, Program Manager, Kay quences to the individual and Spears, LPC, Program Therapist/ family. Some common signs of Counselor, Tiffany Brannon, emotional distress in the elderly Mental Health Technician, are weight loss, weight gain, agi-Dannette Hall, Marketing, and tation, crying spells, unresolved is an outpatient program for poor concentration, fear, so-

opportunities to explore, address, Counselors, provide individual, population in Stonewall and sur-

Alternatives Program's philoso- of a Licensed Board Certified call (940) 989-3551ext 264.

Memorial Hospital recognized positive and healthy life changes. Physician. In addition to the above services, we also provide case-management and discharge planning services to assist all of patients in accessing the comthem. Some of the areas of ex-Depression and anxiety are pertise include; grief and loss of their department. Currently, often under recognized and un- issues, depression, anxiety, coping skills, cognitive stimulation, stress management, anger management, health and well-ness the picture is Malcom X, an ac-

education. plimentary snacks, lunch, and grief, anger/irritability, isolation, handicap transportation can be The Alternatives Program loneliness, hopelessness, fatigue, arranged. Medicare and most commercial insurances will pay Senior Adults who are expericial withdrawal and many other for our services. It is our goal to the power to do anything in the provide access to mental health Our Licensed Master's level services to the Senior Adult rounding counties.



Photo by Tamara Smart

Knox City HS Senior, Andrew Aguayo is seen holding his award winning drawing and the certificate he received as the winner of the TeenBiz3000 African American Art contest.

By Tamara Smart

"OK, now the fist breaking chain represents the breakthrough for all African Americans out all the things they been through. Slavery: being trade, being sold. The biggest face on the picture Dr. Martin Luther King Junior, the presidential leader if Boycott Back Selma, Alabama; & female face on the picture Rosa Parks, the boycott began with her because she satin front of the bus and refused to give her seat to a white person; and the last face on tivist who believed that all races Alternatives also offer com- should live in peace. The black panther represents the black panther group & Africa and the fist means to never forget where really from and believe in that flags represent Africa. So you're -Andrew never truly alone." Aguayo, KCHS Senior

This is the explanation that For more information, please accompanied the pencil drawing that won the TeenBiz3000 Art contest. The contest rules asked

students to think of an event in African American history and create a piece of art depicting that event.

Andrew Aguayo, under the direction of KCHS art teacher Monica Fox, took this contest on full throttle. For two weeks, Andrew brainstormed, sketched and drew on his project. He used a little time in art class, but the majority of his work on this project was done at home on his own

After sending off the completed masterpiece to New Jersey in February, Ms. Fox received a letter Monday morning announcing that Andrew was the 12th grade winner of the National TeenBiz3000 contest. He won a certificate and an MP3

In discussing the contest with Knox County News, Andrew's comment was as follows:

"I'm just glad I get to participate in something- other kids get to do track and sports, but I get to do what I love to do.'

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OPINION



The Paperboy

By Christopher Blackburn

Play Ball!

A decade ago I coached 13-15 year-olds in baseball. Did it for three years with a friend. This week, my son Jackson, 5, will take the field in tee-ball. I am not coaching him, but stood ready had I been asked.

I coached all those years ago because the local league needed help and because I wasn't sure I'd ever have a family. Things sure change over time!

Here I am at 41 with my oldest boy getting ready for his first season in the sun. I think it's cool and I hope it's the beginning of many sports activities he will be involved in.

Will I encourage my boys to play sports? Sure. I will encourage them to try as many things as they can. Activities keep young minds busy and competition is healthy.

Will I live vicariously through them? No. I had my glory years and I don't plan on having any

more ... at least athletically. The demands we put on our children are easy: Be disciplined, try your best and make straight A's. I know for sure they are both intelligent so I'm confident they can make some terrific grades

once they get in school. Back to tee-ball. Jack and I discussed sports in general the other day and he now thinks he knows how to hustle. We all know how much difference hustling makes, but I don't recall him

Speaking of hustle ... My mother and father actually left a soccer game of mine in third grade for my lack of hustle.

"What happened to you!" I screamed at my parents when I got home (I had to find a ride

Mom calmly replied, "We are not going to waste our time watching you if you are not going to

do your best."

We never had to have that conversation again.

I can recall some tee-ball action from my younger days as well. It's a good thing too as I can remember being terrible. That's right - coach put me in right field to begin the season and I promptly took a fly ball off my forehead. Got a nice goose-egg.

By the end of the season, coach had moved me to center field. Most of what I remember about that season involved a lot of nose picking and ant stomping from my teammates.

I also remember several players running toward third base instead of first. I really emphasized this point with Jack.

Anyhow, it will be a lot of fun watching these kids take the field for the first time. They have no idea what they're setting us up for over the next 13 years.

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By Alex Epstein

recover from this financial crisis? Barack Obama rightly stresses that we first must understand how today's problems emerged. It is "only by understanding how we arrived at this moment that we'll be able to lift ourselves out of this predicament.'

Unfortunately, Obama (along with most of the Washington establishment) has created only misunderstanding. In calling for a massive increase in government control over the economy, he has evaded the mountain of evidence implicating the government.

For example, Obama's core explanation of all the destructive behavior leading up to today's crisis is that the market was too free. But the market that led to today's crisis was systematically manipulated by government. Fact: this decade saw drastic attempts by the government to control the housing and financial markets--via a Federal Reserve that cut interest rates to all-time lows, and via a gigantic increase in Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac's size and influence. Fact: through these entities, the government sought to "stimulate the economy" and promote homeownership (sound familiar?) by artificially extending cheap credit to homebuyers. Fact: most of the (very, few) economists who actually predicted the financial crisis blame Fed policy or housing policy for inflating a bubble that was bound to collapse.

How does all this evidence factor into Obama's understanding of "how we arrived at this moment"? It doesn't. Not once, during the solemn 52 minutes and 5,902 words of his speech to Congress

Misrepresenting "How We Arrived at This Moment"

What must be done to or Freddie. Not once did he suggest that government manipulation of markets could have any possible role in the present crisis. He just went full steam ahead and called for more spending, more intervention, and more government housing programs as the solution.

> But a genuine explanation of the financial crisis must take into account all the facts. What role did the Fed play? What about Fannie and Freddie? To be sure, some companies and CEOs seem to have made irrational business decisions. Was the primary cause "greed," as so many claim--and what does this even mean? Or was the primary cause government intervention like artificially low interest rates, which distorted economic decision-making and encouraged less competent and more reckless companies and CEOs while marginalizing and paralyzing the more competent

ones? Entertaining such questions would also mean considering the idea that the fundamental solution to our problems is to disentangle the government from the markets to prevent future manipulation. It would mean considering pro-freemarket remedies such as letting banks foreclose, letting prices reach market levels, letting bad banks fail, dismantling Fannie and Freddie, ending bailout promises, and getting rid of the Fed's power to manipulate interest rates.

But it is not genuine understanding the administration seeks. For them, the wisdom and necessity of previous government intervention is self-evident; no matter the contrary evidence, the crisis can only have been caused

did he mention the Fed, Fannie, by insufficient government intervention. Besides, they are too busy following Obama's chief of staff's dictum, "Never let a serious crisis go to waste," by proposing a virtual takeover of not only financial markets, but also the problem-riddled energy and health-care markets--which, they conveniently ignore, are also already among the most government-controlled in the economy.

While Obama has not sought a real explanation of today's economic problems, Americans should. Otherwise, we will simply swallow. "solutions" that dogmatically assume the free market got us here--namely, Obama's plans to swamp this country in an ocean of government debt, government controls, and government makework projects. But alternative, free-market explanations for the crisis do exist-ones that consider the inconvenient facts Washington ignores--and every American should seek to understand them.

Those who do will likely end up telling our leaders to stop saying "Yes, we can" to each new proposal for expanding government power, and start saying "Yes, you can" to Americans who seek to exercise their right to produce and trade on a free market.

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ON THE EDGE OF COMMON SENSE by Baxter Black,

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THE HOPPING HORSE

"How do I love thee? Let me count the ways." E.B. Browning,

"How can you get bucked off? Let me count the ways." B. Black, 2009

Over the years I have chronicled hundreds of horse wreck stories that have been told to me. I still marvel at the uniqueness of each one and how it stretches the imagination. One only need look through any rodeo photographer's scrapbook to see the spectacular displays of flying bodies, nose diving human projectiles and the continuous collection of cringing, crashing, crumpled cartwheeling cowboys caught catapulting on camera!

There is a fine line between getting on a horse that you hope will buck, and one that you hope won't! At least in the bucking chute you are forewarned. Ron is an outfitter in Washington state. Packers and outfitters, in my opinion, look at horses differently than cowboys. Cowboys expect a degree of cow savvy, quickness, refinement and good looks. They might even sacrifice a little 'usefulness' for a good head or pretty color. Packers put very little store in lookin' good. I don't mean personally, but in a horse they want a stout one with stamina and strength. Long hair, big feet, blemishes, Roman noses, bob tails or the disposition of the Unabomber is okay as long as he packs his share of the load. After all, packers never shave either!

Bill is a carpenter with a bad back who, at the time of this story, was wearing a body cast. He asked Ron if he could put a 'handle' on a new horse he had just purchased. Ron mounted the beast. From the start it was obvious the light colored, long headed, round withered, spooky-eyed devil had not spent much time in the Western Pleasure Class.

They started making circles in the round pen. Then Ron attempted a sliding stop. Hammerhead stopped abruptly and then backed up. Ron swiveled to the right, then to the left but Hammerhead kept backing. Then he reared up on his hind legs and began hopping backwards! Ron clung like a monkey on a flag pole until he bailed out and slid off the rump where he landed on his butt in the sitting position.

He was looking up at the crazed horse who was still hopping toward him! Ron scooted to the aft, crablike until he hit the solid uprights of the round pen. The horse crashed tail first into the posts and sat on Ron! Bill, who had watched this circus-like performance, hobbled over to his crushed companion.

"Are you alright?" he asked.

"No," said Ron.

"Are you sure?" asked Bill.

"Yes," said Ron, "My leg's broke!"

Realizing he could not lift his friend by himself, Bill ran to the barn and came back with his stall mucking wheelbarrow.

"Are you sure you can carry me in that?" asked Ron, thinking of his friend's back.

"Yeah," said Bill reassuringly, "I've hauled bigger loads of manure than you in this rig!"

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Gourmet home cooking. I can remember when that would have been an oxymoron except back then we didn't know what an oxymoron was. Now "oxymoron" is a household word that neatly describes our contradictory times.

Nothing against oxymorons. It's fun to tell ourselves it's OK to stimulate the economy by spending money on fancy cooking lessons so we can fix all the finest fare at home instead of dining out to support a gourmet food habit. I'm not sure where that leaves restaurants that advertise their offerings as "home cooking." But, come to think of it, I haven't seen one of those places lately. Fast-food franchises must have squeezed them out. Good old home cooking should eventually make a comeback. But for now, the pendulum is swinging the other way, and food-oriented television programming is pouring gasoline on the fire or maybe it's brandy.

What to do? How about a scaled-down version of gourmet cooking for home chefs who don't have time or money for lessons and who don't have brandy to burn?

Enter Fritz the cook.

I never met Fritz, but he's as real to me as any big-name television chef. He was the cook at the stockyard café in Vernon way back when my folks ran the place. It was so long ago that the sale barn had sales twice a week one day for horses and mules and the other for cows, like maybe Tuesday and Thursday, or vice-versa.

The menu was standard Texas. Fritz was the stereotypical temperamental

chef. In my mind's ear, his German accent is strong. He often bragged about the jobs he'd quit, and he said his bosses would always come looking for him "next day."

Mother smiled to herself, knowing my father wouldn't be hiring Fritz back if he ever walked out in a huff in the middle of a lunch run.

That's almost what happened. Waitress seriously mixed up some orders, and Fritz said dramatically, "Mr. John (substitute "Y" for "J"), after today, this be my last day."

That's when Daddy learned to cook in a hurry, like in the oneday interval between horses and mules and cows, or viceversa. Mother had to man the cash register.

Despite his quick exit, the memorable Fritz left a legacy: appearance first, taste second.

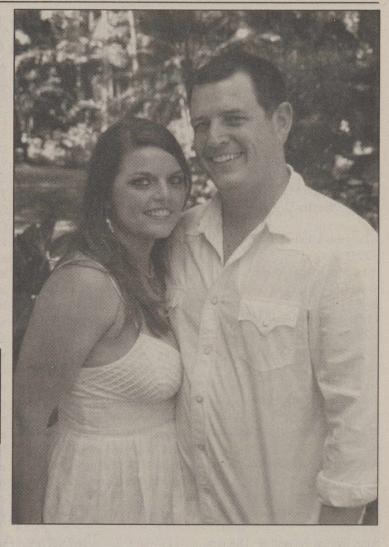
Fritz had expressed his food philosophy simply but with flair, almost poking one of his eyes with his forefinger and saying, "First." Then, with a flourish, he would put the same finger to his mouth and say, "Then." You can try it.

In German, that would be "Zuerst" und "Dann." Not much difference.

For Mother or Daddy, the lesson stuck. The rest of their lives, they occasionally quoted Fritz, complete with gestures. (Doesn't work without gestures.)

So that's it. Whatever you cook, be sure it looks special. Drop a nifty carrot curl on top of those green peas. Line up some celery leaves next to that chicken-fried steak. Careful where you slop that gravy.

Voila. Gourmet home cooking. Vive Fritz!



Angela Roberts to marry Casey Patterson rasolo as

Donnie and Diane Roberts of O'Brien are pleased to announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Angela, of Plano, to Casey Patterson, also of Plano.

Casey is the son of George and Linda Patterson of Fort Worth.

Angela is a 2002 graduate of Knox City High School and a 2005 graduate of Texas Tech University. Casey graduated from The Oak Ridge School in Arlington and graduated from Texas A&M University in 2000.

Angela is the granddaughter of Jean Barnard and the late Claudale Barnard of Knox City and Kenneth and Jessie Roberts of Benjamin. Casey's grandparents are Myrlin Jones and the late Case Jones of Albuquerque, New Mexico and Virginia Patterson and the late Norman Patterson of Fort Worth.

A May wedding is planned at Erinshire Gardens in Abilene.

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By Ace Reid



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This is always a good community and regional event where a lot of visiting and general information takes place and an abundance of door prozes are given more government involvement "international deforestation." away. Because if the support in the energy business. for the event, each year a \$500 scholarship is awarded in May to a senior student from Seymour Independent School District.

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God's

Promises By Jim Reid, Pastor

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say His name to express many different meanings. Often it has nothing to do with who He is. So I can't help but wonder why they use His name? I also know those who express His name in a profane way can't possibly understand of whom their speaking. If they did that would really be a serious indictment against them.

This is the time of year that the name Jesus Christ is proclaimed louder perhaps than any other time, because of who He is!

chapter 3, verse 16; God speaks through His Son teaching us the very foundation of God's

Jesus Christ! I hear people love for all people. "For God so loved the world, that He gave His only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth on him should not perish, but have eternal life."

> The Amplified Bible says it so clearly, " For God so greatly loved and dearly prized the world that He [even] gave up His only begotten (unique) Son, so that whoever believes in (trusts in, clings to, relies on) Him shall not perish (come to destruction, be lost) but have eternal (everlasting) life."

This Sunday is Easter and In the gospel of John, I pray that you will attend the church of your choice. If you've been out of church this is a great time to begin



attending on a regular basis.

This is also a great Sunday to realize why life is so much greater with faith in Jesus Eternal life is the Christ. opportunity to live the abundant

God offers each and every person the opportunity to have eternal life, if there is any part of the verse above that interest to you, that you don't understand, ask any Christian and they will explain the joy of knowing this

Attend the church of your choice this week and let the love of God truly touch your

By Alex Mills

Commerce Committee last week started to make a witches brew companies and large industrial that will send the U.S. economy into a deeper recession.

The potion is called the American Clean Energy and Security Act of 2009. The discussion draft exposes a bunch of voodoo policies for fossil fuels, while dispersing mammoths amount of Americans' tax dollars in hopes that "green" technology can provide more energy in the

Some have called the bill being drafted by Rep. Henry Waxman (D-Ca.), chairman Committee, and Ed Markey (D-Mass.), chairman of the Select Committee on Energy Independence and Global Warming, a "cap-and-trade" bill and others call it a "cap-and-tax" bill. No doubt that the end result will be higher energy costs, more

Some of highlights of last week's deliberation are:

1. The renewable electricity 2012 and rises to 25% in 2025.

emission standards promulgated by the Environmental Protection

The U.S. House Energy and efficiency standards established.

4. Utilities, oil and gas must "allowances" from the federal Department (training people in government based on the amount of carbon dioxide emitted into the atmosphere.

in any year cannot exceed 2 are unavoidable.

allowance for future use.

7. The Federal Energy Regulatory Commission will of the allowances.

volatility in energy pricing, and with foreign entities to prevent carbon allowance trading a profit

foreign competitors because of make up the difference. the increased cost of purchasing

Tax dollars will be

3. New industrial energy Environment Development Funds (for clean energy and efficiency projects), to universities and colleges (develop curriculum and purchase training programs), and Labor

So far, Waxman and Markey have patterned their bill closely 5. The draft allows covered to the Lieberman-Warner bill entities to increase their emissions that the Senate heard last year. above their allowance if they can Lieberman-Warner ran into obtain offsetting reduction at many problems that they could lower cost from other sources. not answer. For example, the Total quantity of offsets allowed increased costs to the economy billion tons. Covered entities predicted that the gross domestic using offsets must submit five product would decline by \$1 tons of offset credits for every trillion to \$2.9 trillion by 2050. of the Energy and Commerce four tons of emissions being Why? American businesses must compete in a global marketplace. 6. Entities can bank their Adding cost and volatility to energy makes American businesses less competitive.

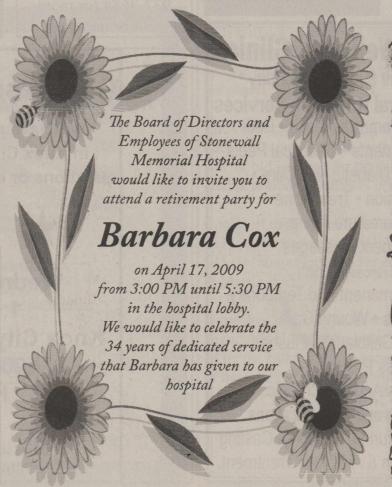
> Also, big businesses like regulate and oversee the trading Shell want a "cap-and-trade" system, because Shell can hire 8. EPA is directed to negotiate specialized traders and make center. Of course, when someone 9. To help U.S. manufacturers makes a profit, someone else that are put at a disadvantage with usually small business - must

The bottom line is that the requirement begins at 6% in the allowances and complying American Clean Energy and with the regulations, companies Security Act of 2009 is nothing 2. Fuel economy standards can apply for "rebates" to more than additional economic must be coordinated with compensate for their additional pain without environmental

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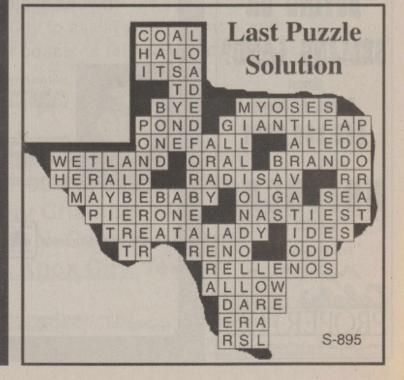
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Prolonged Texas Drought Impacts Wildlife

welcome rains in late March, much of Texas remains parched by prolonged drought of historic proportions, and wildlife die-offs of whooping cranes and deer have been reported. However, experts say native wildlife evolved to bounce back from drought, and a bigger issue is how human water use is changing the equation, and how drought underscores the need for water planning and conservation.

"The current drought affecting all of Texas has reached historic proportions, with the

Preparedness Council.

main parched, particularly the last fall. The council report said last south, experts say Rio Grande the east, south central, and upper or nonexistent. Rio Grande spring coast regions. It also noted the turkey hunting season runs April entire state was classified as at 4-May 17 in the North Zone, with least "Abnormally Dry" accord- special youth-only weekends March 14-15 and May 9-10.

At TPWD's J.D. Murphree Ike last September.

usual for this time of year, suffer- continues. ing the same stresses as freshwa-

of Wichita Falls were here for a Mottled ducks are the only Texas 2007 to June 2008. year-round resident duck, and are

He also said alligators and amservice Sunday morning at the areas inhabited before Hurricane Methodist Church beginning Ike because of the salt water, and promptly at 7am. Breakfast will populations of these animals will

Down the coast at the Arar And I hope everyone has a National Wildlife Refuge, drought pleasant Easter. If you travel, may have contributed to the worst please be careful. The highways winter on record for the world's only wild flock of endangered whooping cranes. After an en-

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est since the long-term drought pact on wild turkey production in which flock numbers grew each country to work out complex of the 1950's and 1917, the dri- and hunting prospects for spring year, this is the first decline since water use and endangered spe- individual citizens can do a lot est year on record." That sentence turkey season, according to Texas 2001. Only 249 birds will return cies issues. The EA RIP was cre- to help manage problems caused begins the March 11 situation re- Parks and Wildlife Department north to Canada this spring, down ated by the same 2007 legislation by drought, including using port from the governor's Drought biologists. If parts of Texas refrom 270 who arrived in Texas

Refuge expert Tom Stehn December through February was turkey breeding activity and nest- attributes whooping crane losses the driest period on record for ing effort will be greatly reduced to poor habitat conditions on the middle Texas coast. He said low rainfall in 2008 resulted in saltier bays and fewer blue crabs, the primary food source for wintering ing to the United States Drought March 28-29 and May 23-24. The whoopers. In addition, whoopers South Zone season runs March are further stressed when cranes Continued dry range condi- 21-May 3, with youth weekends must leave the bays to fly inland seeking fresh water.

> In the Edwards Plateau Wildlife Management Area near of Central Texas, at spots like Port Arthur, drought has deliv- Garner State Park, there were reered the second half of a one-two ports of non-native axis deer dypunch that started with Hurricane ing from starvation coupled with cold weather earlier this year. The lack of rainfall means TPWD wildlife biologists refreshwater marshes at Murphree port range conditions are in poor WMA that were inundated by shape, prickly pear is thin because Hurricane Ike are not being of the lack of water and feral hogs flushed of salt water. That lack of are looking very thin and drawn flushing is killing plants and dam- down. Native whitetail deer still aging soil chemistry. The area's appear in decent condition but brackish marshes are saltier than may not last long if the situation

In the Trans-Pecos region of West Texas, last summer TPWD "Brackish marshes on the wildlife biologists observed a con-& everyone will be able to attend gratulate both these young folks. WMA and neighboring private siderable drop in the pronghorn ranch land which would normally antelope population in portions of be at or below 10 parts per thou- Jeff Davis and Presidio Counties, Talked to Mindy Hutchen sand salinity are still up in the although overall Trans-Pecos teens," said Michael Rezsutek, pronghorn populations remain the Munday Nursing Center for Chance is still doing o.k. since Ph.D, a TPWD wildlife biologist only slightly below the 30-year average. The specific causes are Rezsutek said little fresh wa- not known, but biologists believe surgery a couple of weeks ago & week to be checked out again & ter is available for use by mottled there were several compounding is doing o.k. but just isn't quite she think she's gonna get a good duck broods, and that will likely factors, including how much of lead to a very low production the affected area received no mea-Anthony and Jessica Lamb of mottled ducks this season. surable rainfall from November

Meanwhile, this year a team Jane Gideon was in Seymour prized by hunters and wildlife bi- of scientists is continuing work March in Dallas. She's also pro- Sunday night for a presentation ologists. They've been declining that will eventually guide deciof the Easter story. Her grand- for the past 30 years due to habitat sions about how water pumpson, Colton Caldwell, portrayed loss and other factors, so drought ing from the Edwards Aquifer the role of Jesus Christ on the effects are adding stress to an al- in Central Texas should be restricted during critical drought periods. The science team is part Be sure to attend sunrise phibians are unable to recolonize of the Edwards Aquifer Recovery Implementation Program or RIP, a coalition of organizations working with the U.S. Fish and High School were honored with follow immediately. In the event likely remain depressed for the Wildlife Service to recover endangered species threatened by low spring and river flows. The RIP approach has been success-

past six months among the dri- tions could have a negative im- couraging multi-year comeback fully used in other parts of the San Antonio Bay. plants from Comal Springs all the maintenance and use less water. way down the Guadalupe River to

Finally, wildlife experts say that raised the aquifer pumping drought-tolerant native plants for cap during normal times, and as spring gardening. TPWD's Texas part of that agreement to increase Wildscapes habitat program for the cap lawmakers required the homeowners, businesses and RIP to be completed by the end small-acreage landowners has of 2012. TPWD has four scien- a wealth of information online tists on the team, examining flow about landscaping approaches needs of aquatic creatures and that can save money, require less



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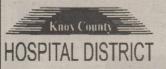
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The Contract Documents, consisting of Advertisement for Bids, Information for Bidders, Bid Proposal, Bid Bond, Contract, Performance and Payment Bonds, General Conditions, Notice of Award, Notice to Proceed, Plans, Specifications, and Addenda (if any) and Project Contracting and Compliance Provisions may be examined at the following location:

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CITY OF KNOX CITY

Jeff Stanfield, Mayor

By Gladene Green Reckon this past weekend Aspermont play who is still comcool "snap" was our Easter spell? peting & advanced again as did Sure got cool on Sat. nite & Sun Guthrie. Chelsea 'was named & a freeze is forecast for tonite to the All Star Cast & Gage (Mon). Just maybe by Easter Moorhouse, son of Tom & Becky

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pressive program.

will likely be very crowded.

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weekend, it will be pleasant & & who attends Guthrie school the kids can enjoy their egg hunts was named best actor. We consunrise services & not be too The next competition is Wed. in cold! Let's hope so.

Regarding Our Ill

Kenneth Roberts is now at Sat. & she said her husband, a few days before returning to his accident several weeks ago. at Murphree WMA. his home in Benjamin. He had He goes back to his Drs. this ready to come back home yet. report. Hopefully, his stay over there won't be too long.

Jan Carver came home Tues. nite weekend visit with home-folks. after knee surgery on the 26th of gressing nicely. Has to go back to Dallas Thurs, to see her dr. to make sure everything is doing as it's supposed to. Their daughter cross. She said it was a most im- ready stressed population. Stacia Antilley of Wingate has been with them since her return home.

The 2009 Seniors of Benjamin a steak dinner at Bud's café in of bad weather, the service will next several years. Knox city by the Benjamin First be inside. Baptist church on Mon. April 6. After the main meal, the graduates treated themselves to banana splits which they made exactly the way they liked them.

A short devotional by Troy Culpepper, pastor, and presentation of gift from the church concluded the evening.

Srs. present were Leah Vanderpool, Brittany Coop, Tabby Golden, Devon Jones, Daniella Rivera, Dillon Loftis & Gilbert Neverez.

The class sponsor, Sue Spake & her husband, Jim, School Supt, Alivia Gloria& her husband Gene & Rev. Culpepper were also in attendance as were several other church members.

Here N There

Lexie Taylor of Amarillo has been here several days visiting her grandparents, Mike and Debbie Moorhouse. She will return home Sun. with her parents, Cody & Kyla who will be here for Easter.

Lorene Powers & Gloria West were in Guthrie Sat. for the second round of One Act Play Competition. Gloria's granddaughter & Lorene's niece, Chelsea Parker is in the

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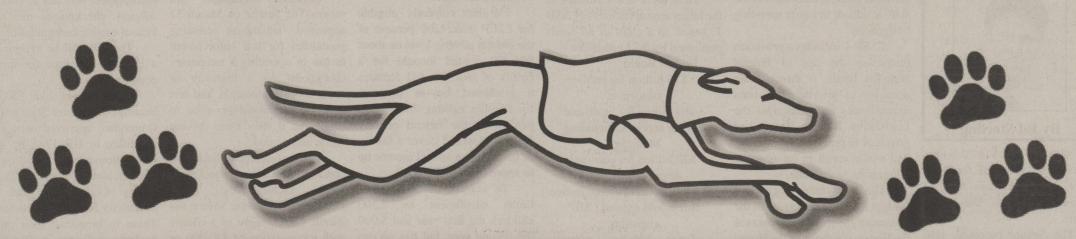


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Greyhound Baseball Bounces Back

After losing to Stamford with a score of 23-17. 24-2 on Tuesday of last week, header that started at high noon. fourth was where the momentum would swing and so did the Greyhounds. The Hounds ralto 17-16 in favor of Rotan. The Hammers held on for the victory

the Greyhounds traveled to with the Hounds scoring 4 runs in Rotan Saturday for a double the first inning to take their first lead of the day. Rotan answered Six and a half hours later, the back with 4 runs of their own on Hounds had split the games 3 Hound errors in the bottom of with the Yellowhammers. In the first. From this point on, the the first game, the Hounds found Greyhounds never looked back themselves behind 17-4 after scoring 22 runs over the next 4 three innings. The top of the innings to win the game 26-13 over the Hammers.

Outstanding defensive players for the games were TJ lied for 12 runs to bring the score Moore, Bandy Moeller, MJ Abila, Zakery York, Brandon York and Jarek Wilde.

Outstanding offensive play-The second game started off ers were Zach Shaver, Brandon Bradley, Jordan Carter, Kyle against Rotan.

> was tired but they kept fighting for the meet are as follows: and took care of business. This could be a turning point for us. Our younger guys are starting to they are gaining more confidence every game.

Greyhounds perform well at the Double Mountain Relays

The Knox City Boys Track team had another great outing last Harrington and Ryan Ledesma. Friday night, taking second place as a team in the Double Mountain Coach Steele said, "I am very Relays in Aspermont, Texas. "There were 30 teams participating in proud of the guys for their effort the track meet, which makes this second place trophy very impressive." Coach Howeth said. The boys won the sprint relay and the It was hot and everyone mile relay; at a meet of this size this is an impressive feat. Results

Triple Jump - 3rd Place Derrick Coleman, 39'6.5"

High Jump - 3rd Place Jordan Carter, 5'6" 400M Relay - 1st Place Marcell Lewis, Derrick Coleman, Zack

step up and produce for us and Shaver, Lannie Coleman, Jordan Carter, 45.37 seconds

110Hurdles- 5th Clay Clark, 17.83

100M Dash- 4th Lannie Coleman, 11.73 400M Dash- 1st Derrick Coleman, 50.59

200M Dash- 5th Marcell Lewis, 23.48

1600M Relay- 1st Lannie Coleman, Derrick Coleman, Bandy Moeller, Jordan Carter 3.39.92

The Greyhounds will run this Friday in Jayton at the district

Track Meet to see who will advance to the next round. KC Golfers participate in the

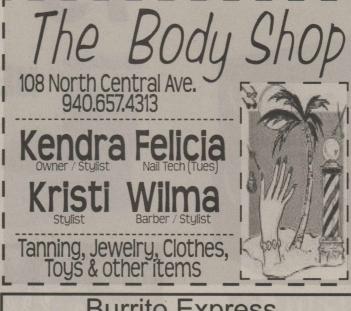
District Golf Meet In terribly cold temperatures the Hounds and Houndettes left Knox City to participate in the District Golf Meet at Maxwell Golf

Course in Abilene, Texas. The Boys entered two separate teams, one team consisting of Jordan Carter, Bandy Moeller, MJ Abila, Skyler Eades, and Ryan Ledesma, and another team consisting of Kyle Harrington, Landon Lynn, Shane Strickland, Ryan Casillas, and Brandon York. The first greyhound team placed 3rd overall with Bandy Moeller and Mj Abila advancing to Regionals as medalist individuals.

The Knox City Girls also entered a team in the meet. That team was made up of Toni Brown, Cassidy Carter, Laura Vasquez, Regan Clark, and Brittany Gonzales. Reagan Clark did not get to participate due to injuries sustained in the track meet on Friday night. Advancing to Regionals for the girls was Brittany Gonzales as a medalist individual.

All three of the teams represented Knox City extremely well, despite the cold temperatures and windy conditions. The Regional meet will be on April 21-22.

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In the name and by the authority of the State of Texas, notice is hereby given as follows: TO

Madelyn Goode Honea, Fleta Mayo, Dixie Bradley, Ettamae Frazier, Everett Barger, Dorothy Williams, Norris Barger, Jack Barger, Barbara Coffman and Dale Redding, if living, and if any or all of the above named defendants be dead, the unknown heirs of each or all of said above named persons who may be dead, and the unknown heirs of the unknown heirs of said above named persons, and the unknown owner or owners of the hereinafter described land, and the executors, administrators, guardians, legal representatives, legatees and devisees of the above named persons, and any and all other persons, including adverse claimants, the unknown stockholders of any defunct corporations, their successors, heirs and assigns, owning or having or claiming any legal or equitable interest in or lien upon the following described property, delinquent to Plaintiff herein, for taxes, all of said property being located in said County and State, to-wit: Lots 7 and 8, Block 1, Original Townsite of the Town of Goree, Knox County, Texas being that property more particularly described in Vol. 257, Page 525 of the Deed Records, Knox County, Texas; the North 77-1/2' of Lots 20, 21, 22, 23 and 24, Block 1, Original Townsite of the Town of Goree, Knox County, Texas being that property more particularly described in Vol. 199, Page 443 of the Deed Records, Knox County, Texas; Lots 9-11, Block 1, Original Townsite of the Town of Goree, Knox County, Texas being that property more particularly described in Vol. 257, Page 525 of the Official Public Records, Knox County, Texas; Lots 20 thru 23, Block 1, SAVE & EXCEPT the North 77-1/2', Original Townsite of the Town of Goree, Knox County, Texas being that property more particularly described in Vol. 257, Page 525 of the Official Public Records, Knox County, Texas; and Lot 6-1/2, Block 21, Elandel Addition, Town of Truscott, Knox County, Texas being that property more particularly described in Vol. 235, Page 395 of the Deed Records, Knox County, Texas.

Which said property is delinquent to Plaintiff for taxes in the following amount: \$740.06, exclusive of interest, penalties and costs, and there is included in this suit in addition to the taxes, all said interest, penalties and costs therein allowed by law up to and including the day of judgment herein.

You are hereby notified that suit has been brought by the Knox County Appraisal District, Plaintiff, against the above named persons, as Defendants, by petition filed on November 10, 2008, in a certain suit styled the Knox County Appraisal District et al vs. Madelyn Goode Honea et al, for collection of the taxes on said property and that said suit is now pending in the District Court of Knox County, Texas, 50th Judicial District, and the file number of said suit is 9201, that the names of all taxing units which assess and collect taxes on the property hereinabove described, not made parties to this suit are NONE.

Plaintiff and all other taxing units who may set up their tax claims herein seek recovery of delinquent ad valorem taxes on the property hereinabove described, and in addition to the taxes all interest, penalties, and costs allowed by law thereon up to and including the day of judgment herein, and the establishment and foreclosure of liens, if any, securing the payment of same, as provided by law.

All parties to this suit, including Plaintiff, Defendants, and Intervenors, shall take notice that claims not only for any taxes which were delinquent on said property at the time this suit was filed but all taxes becoming delinquent thereon at any time thereafter up to the day of judgment, including all interest, penalties and costs allowed by law thereon, may, upon request therefor, be recovered herein without further citation or notice to any parties herein, and all said parties shall take notice of and plead and answer to all claims and pleadings now on file and which may hereafter be filed in said cause by all other parties herein, and all of those taxing units above named who may intervene herein and set up their respective tax claims against said property.

You are hereby commanded to appear and defend such suit on the first Monday after the expiration of forty-two (42) days from and after the date of issuance of this citation as set out below, said appearance and answer date being the 4th day of May, A.D., 2009, (which is the return day of such citation), before the honorable District Court of Knox County, Texas, to be held at the courthouse thereof, then to show cause why judgment shall not be rendered for such taxes, penalties, interest and costs, and condemning said property and ordering foreclosure of the constitutional and statutory tax liens thereon for taxes due the Plaintiff and the taxing units parties hereto, and those who may intervene herein, together with all interest, penalties, and costs allowed by law up to and including the day of judgment herein, and all costs of this suit.

This citation is issued and given under my hand and seal of said Court in the City of Benjamin, Knox County, Texas, this the 26th day of March, A.D., 2009.

> Clerk of the District Court, Knox County, Texas, 50th Judicial District

TEXAS PRESS ASSOCIATION **State Capital** HIGHLIGHTS



By Ed Sterling

AUSTIN - A \$182.2 billion state budget proposal for fiscal years 2010-2011 on April 1 earned passage in the Texas

The Senate proposal, now called Committee Substitute SB 1, includes \$11 billion in federal stimulus money. CSSB1 must be reconciled with HB 1, the House version to be rolled out later this

Lawmakers will have until

finished product to Gov. Rick lieutenant governor. Perry, who may sign or veto it. proposal if it includes federal stimulus funding that requires the obligations.

CSSB 1 includes a provision restricting the use of federal stimulus funds. It directs state agencies to prioritize one-time expenditures and authorizes the Legislative Budget Board and governor to prevent expenditures that would result in future fiscal obligations to the state.

Budget Board is composed of the lieutenant governor, the speaker of the House, the chairs of the House the speaker, and three Senate Health and Human Services

the end of May to deliver the members appointed by the

the current state budget.

Here are a few estimates of uninsured children. state to adhere to future spending the larger appropriations in CSSB published by the Legislative

Budget Board: • \$75 billion for public

- education; • \$60 billion for heath and human services, including
- Medicaid; • \$20 billion for economic development; and
- The 10-member Legislative \$11 billion for criminal justice. Bill would expand CHIP eligibility

Texas families currently Committee on Appropriations, ineligible for children's health the House Committee on Ways insurance sponsored by the and Means, and the Senate state could buy into the program Finance Committee, plus two under SB 841, a bill now under House members appointed by consideration by the Senate

Committee.

The Texas still leads the nation in Woodlands.

1, based on a chart of all funds for CHIP make 200 percent of approved legislation creating lack of established guidelines. level, and would cover a family while intoxicated. of four with an annual income up to approximately \$66,000.

> the second year, but has no cap in the third year and beyond.

Averitt, R-Waco, and coauthors, of 500,000 or more.

Sens. Wendy Davis, D-Fort

the federal poverty level or about guidelines for law enforcement \$44,000 annual income for a to use in operating a temporary a House committee for further family of four. SB 841 features checkpoint on a highway or consideration. a graduated buy-in program street to stop motorists and test for families earning 200 to 300 their breath, blood or urine to hearings The House State Affairs percent of the federal poverty determine if they were driving Committee approved committee

conduct a sobriety checkpoint The bill would require the Public with a population of 250,000 or hearings and open meetings via more and the police department of SB 841 author is Sen. Kip a municipality with a population

Deadline for news and advertising

Sen. John Carona, R-Dallas, Children's Health Worth, Kevin Eltife, R-Tyler, author of SB 298, said his bill Not counting the federal Insurance Program now covers Leticia Van de Putte, D-San addresses that fact that Texas The governor repeatedly has said stimulus money, the Senate almost half a million children Antonio, Royce West, D-Dallas, leads the nation in alcohol-related that he will reject a state budget version is a modest increase over from low-income families, but and Tommy Williams, R-The traffic fatalities and is one of only 11 states that does not allow law Sobriety checkpoint bill enforcement officials to conduct Families currently eligible moves The Senate on March 31 sobriety checkpoints due to a

The bill will be assigned to

Bill requires live ERCOT substitute to HB 1783 by Rep. Law enforcement that could Burt Solomons, R-Carrollton. To control costs, SB 841 would include the Texas Utility Commission and the limits enrollment to 2,500 Department of Public Safety, the Electricity Reliability Council of children the first year and 5,000 sheriff's department of a county Texas to broadcast their public live Internet video.

The bill now moves to the full House for further consideration.

NOTICE TO ALL PERSONS HAVING CLAIMS AGAINST THE ESTATE OF BOBBY F. HUDSON, DECEASED

Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary for the Estate of BOBBY F. HUDSON were issued on March 2, in Cause No. 2485, pending in the County Court of Knox County, Texas, to: DANIEL L. RAINS HUDSON.

The address of the Independent Executor is:

DANIEL L. RAINS HUDSON P.O. BOX 182 Benjamin, TX 79505.

All persons having claims against this Estate, which is currently being administered, are required to present them within the time and in the manner prescribed by law.

DATED the 1st day of April, 2009.

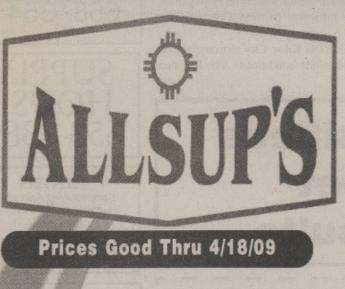
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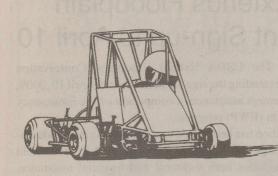
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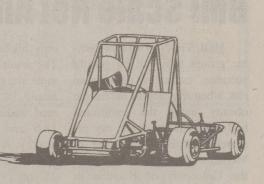
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WINNERS OF BRIGGS INTEK DIVSION - Pictured I to r: First Place, #88 - Dalton Gann of Seymour, Texas; Second Place, #41 - Rowdy Bradley of Seymour, Texas; and Third Place, #74 - Maddison Jones of Graham, Texas.



WINNERS OF RED PLATE ANIMAL DIVISION - Pictured Itor: First Place, #01 - Ranger Donnell of Seymour, Texas; Second Place, #1 - Collin Gann of Seymour, Texas; and Third Place, #6 - Matt Niell of Seymour, Texas.



WINNERS OF THE GOLD PLATE ANIMAL DIVISION - Pictured I to r: First Place, #77 - Jayce Hudson of Seymour, Texas; Second Place, #15 - Cade Holden of Seymour, Texas; and Third Place, #4 - Garrett Field of Wichita Falls, Texas (not pictured).



MINIMENS OF STOCK WIMINIAL DIVISION Texas; Second Place, #74 - Landon Haney of Graham, Texas; and Third Place, #k11 - Kassadi Witter of Altus, Oklahoma.

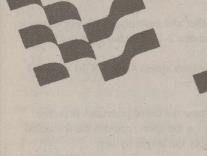


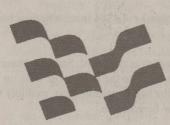
AAIIAIAEU2 OL FIIMI I ED WIAIIAWE DI A 12101A I to r: First Place, #17 - Patrick Knight of Wichita Falls, r: First Place, #98 - Leighton Pepper of Knox City, Texas; and Second Place, #25 - Mike Clark of Olney, Texas.





WINNERS OF MODIFIED MOWER DIVISION - Pictured I to r: Second Place, #5 - Terry Carnahan of Seymour, Texas; and First Place, #9 - Cliff Kincheloe of Abilene, Texas.





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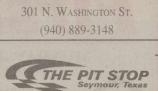
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Scale Not An Accurate Measure For Obesity

HOUSTON - Certain ethnic groups may not be getting accurate estimates of disease risk when they try to determine obesity using the traditional body mass index scale, say researchers at Baylor College of Medicine (www.bcm.edu) and the University of Houston in a study recently published online in the British Journal of Nutrition

"Our research shows that the number used to indicate weight category does not reflect the same amount of body fat for some races compared to others," said Dr. Molly Bray, associate professor of pediatrics - nutrition at the USDA/ARS Children's Research Center Nutrition (www.bcm.edu/cnrc) at BCM and Texas Children's Hospital. "The results are consistent with other studies that say BMI is inexact and should be tailored to help target those at risk."

BMI is a formula that estimates a person's body fat using

plest things are the best.

1 french loaf

BY RYAN MILLS

sandwiches, I request them and eat them frequently.

sandwich and rekindled my love affair with it.

1 pound of ham (thin sliced)

1/2 of medium sized red onion

1/2 head of lettuce (chopped)

8 slices of provolone

red wine vinegar

parmesean cheese

pepper

1 medium sized tomato

I'm probably unlike most people in that I love sandwiches. I

The following recipe is another of my wife's specialties that she

love sandwiches in all shapes and sizes. Most people complain about

invented back in her restaurant days. She made it for me the first time

way back when we were only beginning to date and I was impressed.

Of course as I mentioned earlier I love sandwiches so I was easily

impressed. If you try it, I think you will be too. Sometimes the sim-

dinner Sunday night. The light bulb went off and I requested this

that, or my son Tanner and I present, you should probably make

Ingredients

Directions

the middle of both halves and discard. Roll ham into tubes and place

side by side down the length of the bread. Once bread is covered with

ham, place 4 slices of provolone cheese on top of ham and 4 slices

of cheese on the other half of the bread. Broil in oven on low until

cheese starts to brown. Pull out of oven and top with lettuce, tomato,

and onion. Sprinkle red wine vinegar, parmesean cheese and pepper

to taste. Put the top on and cut the loaf into serving size sandwiches

Cut french loaf in half length wise. Pull out some of the bread in

The recipe is simple and a quick fix on a summer day.

She had not made them in a while and asked what I wanted for

The following recipe serves 4-5 so if you have any more than

only his/her weight and height. lean mass and fat mass. The result is then used to deterample, 18.5 and below is considered underweight and between 18.6 and 24.9 is considered healthy. A person is overweight 25 and 29. Thirty and above is considered obese.

Caucasian men and women," said Bray, who is also senior author of the study, "It doesn't take into account differences in body the lifespan.'

be used to estimate bone density,

"It's important to break said. "Just because you weigh a certain amount doesn't necessarily mean you are overweight. when their number falls between who is very muscular and still weighs up to 300 pounds."

"This scale was creat- compared, researchers found that ed years ago and is based on the DXA estimate of percent fat of African American women was 1.76 percent lower for the same BMI compared to non-Hispanic white women. Since BMI is ascomposition between genders, sumed to represent body fatness, race/ethnicity groups, and across an African American woman part in the study include Drs. would not be considered over-In the current study, rather weight or obese until she reached than using other potentially bi- a higher number than what is both of the Department of Health ased methods employed in the indicated by the current BMI past as "gold standards" to ex- standards. The opposite is the amine body composition, re- case for Hispanic, Asian and hhp.uh.edu); Drs. Kenneth J. searchers used dual-energy x-ray Asian-Indian woman. Their per- Ellis and Mary H. Sailors, both absorptiometry, which is a low cent fat is higher by 1.65 percent, of the USDA/ARS Children's dose x-ray known as DXA, to 2.65 percent and 5.98 percent, Nutrition Research Center at determine percent fat. DXA can respectively. So they would be BCM and TCH; Dr. John Foreyt, considered overweight or obese professor of medicine, psychiatry at amounts lower than what the and behavioral sciences at BCM. BMI standards indicates. The results for men were similar.

'Right now non-Hispanic Health white women are not considered obese until they have a BMI of 30 or above. Based on our data in young adults, for Hispanic women the number would be around 28," said Bray. "For African American women the number to cross is around 32."

Bone mineral content, hydration state, and the density of lean mass found in different ethnic groups are some factors that



and needed her until she fell ill last fall. It was when Christmas came around and Kay Pepper and Barbara Barnard felt as though they had been amputated without their dear friend to help prepare for the holidays that they realized. It was the empty spot in the bleachers at the local high school games that the kids noticed.

spot in the pew at church on Sunday that made others aware. In the case of Sequoyah, though, Knox City did get its chance to say "thank you" and "we love you". That was the whole purpose of the packed building on Saturday night and the applause until hands went numb, to say all the things about this amazing woman that had been taken for

The night concluded with a round of door prizes and a parting hug from all who attended.

account for the differences.

"These results demonstrate mine weight categories. For ex- down the BMI numbers," Bray that body composition measures obtained from DXA can be used to more accurately define risk factors and provide better recom-Take, for example, an athlete mendations for the treatment and care for patients," said Bray.

> study participants When the two results were were recruited from the TIGER (Training Intervention Genetics of Exercise Response) study. It is designed to investigate how variation in DNA sequence may influence levels of body fatness and fitness.

Other researchers who took Andrew S. Jackson, lead author of the study, and Brian K. McFarlin, and Human Performance at the University of Houston (www.

Funding came from a grant from the National Institute of

NRCS Extends Floodplain Easement Sign-up to April 10

TEMPLE - The USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) is extending the sign-up period - until April 10, 2009, - for floodplain easement assistance, a component of the Emergency Watershed Protection (EWP) program.

Up to \$145 million has been made available to eligible landowners nationwide through the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 and includes both technical and financial assistance. This funding will restore frequently flooded land to its natural state; create jobs in rural communities nationwide when landowners establish these floodplain easements; as well as restore and protect an estimated 60,000 acres of flood-prone lands nationwide.

"NRCS wants to ensure landowners have ample time to apply for the program," said Don Gohmert, NRCS state conservationist for Texas. "This program is part of USDA's plan to mitigate the impact of future flooding by restoring the landscape to its natural hydrology and native vegetation."

Floodplains generate many public benefits, such as increased flood protection, enhanced fish and wildlife habitat, improved water quality and a reduced need for future public disaster assistance. Other benefits include reduced energy consumption when certain agricultural activities and practices are eliminated and increased carbon sequestration as permanent native vegetative cover is reestablished.

All eligible landowners are encouraged to sign-up for the funding by visiting their local NRCS office. The sign-up, originally announced March 7, will close April 10, 2009. For eligibility requirements landowners should refer to the EWP floodplain easement at www.nrcs.usda.gov/programs/ewp/Floodplain/index.html.

More information about NRCS and other conservation programs is available on the NRCS Web site at www.tx.nrcs.usda.gov or at your nearest USDA Service Center.

Census Workers To Verify Addresses

The First Major 2010 Census Operation to Employ more than 15,000 in Texas, Louisiana & Mississippi and on April 6, 2009 the U.S. Census Bureau Dallas Regional Office will start its first major operation on the ground in preparation for the fast approaching 2010 Census.

During the next few months, census workers will be walking every street in Texas, Louisiana and Mississippi verifying and updating census address lists

"The census workers we hire are members of the community

and will be working in their own computer. neighborhoods," said Gabriel Sanchez, Regional Director for

Dallas Region.

The operation runs from April through mid July. In most areas, addresses will be updated without households being contacted by census workers.

However, in some instances where confirmation or clarification is needed, a census worker

will come to your door. These workers will be wearing official census identification

If anyone has questions or concerns about census workers, contact the regional office at 1-800-563-6499.

"A complete and accurate address list is the cornerstone of a successful census," said Sanchez."Building on the achievements of 2000 Census, we have been testing and preparing for the 2010 count all decade and we're ready to fulfill our Constitutional mandate to count everyone living in the United States."

badges and will carry a handheld It was the missing voice in Russell Graves Outdoors the congregation and the vacant

SCORING YOUR TURKEY

A scale, calculator and tape measure are all you need

By Russell A. Graves For as long as anyone can remember, deer hunters have judged their trophies

against one another by touting a buck's Boone & Crockett score. Did you know that turkey hunters can also get in on the game of keeping harvest records and do a little bragging along the way? That's right. With a few simple measurements, you can objectively evaluate a turkey and assign it a "score" by using a set of systematic measurements Correct gear

The tools needed for scoring a turkey are simple: a spring scale capable of weighing a hanging object; a flexible, 1/4-inch-wide tape measure for measuring the spur and beard length, and a calculator for completing the calculations. If you have Internet access, you can skip the calculations by logging on to the National Wild Turkey Federation's Web site at (www.nwtf.org) and use their online scoring calculator. First step

To get started, you'll need to weigh your turkey and convert the ounces to decimal form. The conversion formula is simple. All you need to do is divide the ounces by 16. For example, if your turkey weighs 22 pounds and 5 ounces, then to convert the five ounces to decimal form, you'll divide 5 by 16, which

gives you .3125. Then combine the decimalounce equivalent with the number of pounds. In this case, we'll have the weight of 22.3125

The next step is to measure the spurs and convert the fractional inch measurement to decimal form and measure to the nearest 1/16th-inch without reduction. In decimal form, 1/16-inch is equivalent to .0625. Using these numbers as a base, you can easily figure out the decimal equivalent to fractions. For example, to convert 3/16-inch, just multiply three times .0625.

Measure the spurs from where they

exit the leg and over the outside edge of the spur.

Once the spurs are measured, add the length of both spurs together and multiply by 10. For example, suppose the right spur measures 2-6/16 inches and the left spur measures 2-1/16 inches. The math will

2.3759 (right spur) + 2.0625 (left spur) = 4.4384 (total length of both spurs) 4.4384 X 10 = 44.384(spur score)

Don't forget the beard

The last thing to measure on the turkey is the beard. Starting where the beard protrudes from the breast, measure along the center of the beard to the longest tip. Like on the spurs, convert the fractional inch to decimal form. Once you have the beard measurement, multiply the length by two.

6.25 inch beard X 2 = 12.50 on the beard score.

Occasionally, a turkey will grow multiple beards and spurs. In that case, each extra beard and spur gets measured and added to the total score just like the typical beards and spurs. Birds with multiple beards and spurs are listed by the National Wild Turkey Federation as atypical. Adding it all up

The last step in finalizing your turkey's score is to add up the weight, spur score and beard score. In this

22.3125 weight score

+ 44.384 spur score

+ 12.50 beard score = 79.1965 total score

In Texas, the state records listed with the National Wild Turkey Federation show that the top typical Eastern wild turkey scores a tad over 80 points while the biggest Rio Grande turkey scores just over 88.

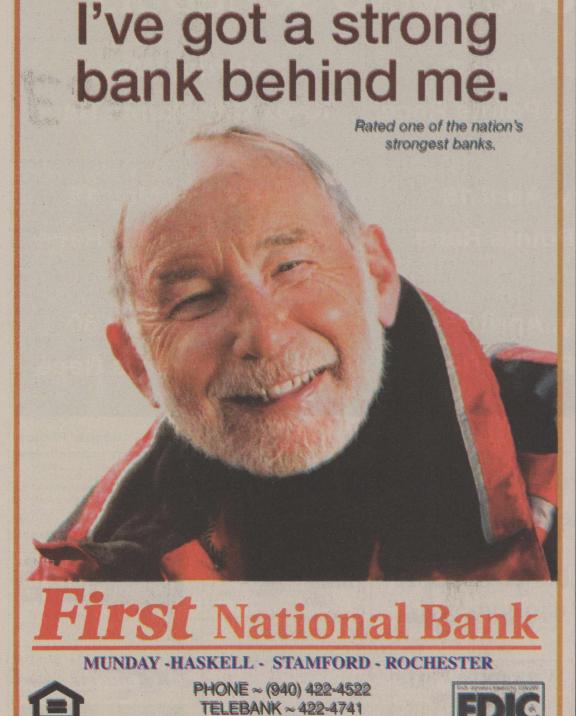
Of course, like deer, the trophy is in the eye of the beholder. So head afield ... bragging rights await you.

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