

(by Anna Bur
Childress Index)
The Texas De The Texas Department of
Health's closure of several rural health clincis and contract awards with Texas Tech and University of Texas Medical Branch, Galveston, to provide
services in those servicesin those clinics - includ-
ing Childress - could be devastating for rural health provid-
ers. and Community Hospitals is re-
questing an explanation from questing an explanation from
the Texas Department of Health.
Childress County judge Dean
Decker has written to Gov Decker has written to Gov,
George Bush, saying, in part: ...The Childress Regional Medical Center is an asset to our
county. We have doctors and medical services very few rural communities have. I would hate
to see any action by the TDH that results in a reduction of that results in a reduction of
medical services for our area." Providers have been assured
through TDH in Lubbock that only those services local hospitals cannot provide will be of-
fered by Texas Tech. However, offered by Texas Tech in direct
competition for Medicaid dollars competition for Medicaid dollars with loc
noted.
An ar An article in the December
issue of "frontline," a newslette published exclusine, a newsletter rural and community hospitals says that rural and community
hospitals have the expertise t provide each and every service conducted by TDH clinics, and and economic benefits to the community.
 says he fears the state will end up with a monopoly on health
care care.
State Rep. Warren Chisum in response to Decker's letter to
Gov. Bush, assured the Gov. Bush, assured the judge h
is watching the situation of "our rural clinics."
The first practical battery was probably developed by CCun
Alessandro Volta, an Italian sc Alessandro Voita, an
entist, in the late $1790 s$.
Historians say the ancient Sumerians created the
during the 2300's BC.




The Valley Tribune, Quitaque, Texas, Thursday, Mar. 14, 1996


Crystal Price
CodyWhittington Best Physical Characteristic:
My Eyes.
Favorite Pastime Sunday with Favorite Pastime:
the Burson's.

Style of Dress: Casual. | Hobby: Working with animals. |
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| Pet Peeve: Dirty fingernails. |
| Favorite Food: Barbarque |



Favorite Sport: G
Favorite Movie: Lonesome Dove.
Last Good Book Read: Hank the
Cowdog.
My Hero: John Wayne. Someday I Want To
A Great Night Out:
IfiWere President:
$\frac{\text { My Favorite Memory: The time }}{\text { Russ fell threw the living room wall }}$ My Worst Habit:
speed limit by a bunc
Nickname: Louise.
My Most Valued Possess
If ICould Change Something: IfI Could Do anything I Wante Would: Have my own fishing show. Advice: Shoot low sher
Best An're riding shetland ponies.
they' Worst Advice: They will ne $\frac{\text { Greatest Fear: }}{\text { Wheing Alone. }}$ What ILike Most In High School: What Makes Me Mad: Being lied
$\frac{\text { My Future Plans Are: Workin }}{\text { with animals and having a nice }}$


ATTENTION
TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN
WE (THE PAPER CARRIERS ) ARE NOT RESPONSIBLE FOR THE PAPERS THAT THE STRAY DOGS ARE GETTING IN TURKEY \& QUITAQUE

THANK YOU, AUTHORBECK

Statewide Screening Slated

The Legislature passed a law in
1985 that requires all sixth- and 1985 that requires all sixth- and
ninth-grade students to be screened or spinal deformities. Early
detection of abnormal spinal curvature can prevent serious
health problems. This is a problem that may begin during the early
adolescent years (from 10-14 years of age) with an estimated 1 in 10
adolescents having some degree of abnormal curvature. Curves that
are detected early may only require periodic observation by a specialist. Moderate curves may require the wearing of a brace, which is usually
super-vised by an orthopedic super-vised by an orthopedic
specialist. In most cases, the need specialist. In most cases, the need
for major surgery for this deformity can be eliminated through early
detection. detection.
Spinal
Spinal screening for Valley
School children has been scheduled for Wednesday and Thursday March 20 and 21.
Children will be screened for two
types of spinal deformities: Scoliosis types of spinal deformities: Scoliosis
and kyphosis. Scoliosis is a condition in which the spine is twisted, causing misalignment of the upper body or lower back. This
condition can worsen and lead to condition can worsen and lead to
much pain, as well as complications of the heart and lungs. Kyphosis is an exaggerated rounding of the spine. Progression of these two
conditions can often be arrested if conditions can
detected early.

Valley Girls Track By; Coach Jeffcoat Friday and Saturday, March 8th

Junior High - Kim woods-4th - 400 meter dash, 5 th- 100 meter dash.
p High School - 400 meter relay - 4th
place - Briana Sperry, Rosario Mendoza, Latika Clardy, Chancy Dowd.
800 meter relay -5 th place - Rosario 800 meter relay - 5 th place - Rosario
Mendoza, Nancy Pozos, Cara Powell, Rosie Mendoza.
160 meter relay - 1st place - Cara Powell, Briana Sperry, Nancy Pozos, Rosario Mendoza. Briana Sperry- 2 nd high jump, 2nd
100 meter hurdles, 6 th long jump. Latika Clardy - 3rd long jump, 5th 100 meter dash, 5 th 200 meter dash Cara Powell - 4th high jump
Amy Butler - 3rd shot put Amy Butler - 3rd shot put
Rosario Mendoza - 6 th triple jump JH Track
The Valley JH boys and girls
have done weli through two track have done weli through two track
meets. They have competedin meet at Motley County and Groom. County meet were:
Boys:
800 m - Morgan Payne 3rd, Richar Wellman 4th
110 m high hurdles - B.J. Price 2 n
400 m - Billy Roy Fuston 6th 400 m - Billy Roy Fuston 6 th ard Wellman 2nd 1600 m relay - Nathan Wheeler Donny Cagle, Morgan Payne, Rowdy Mullin 2nd.
High jump
High jump - Rowdy Mullin 3rd Shot put - Brody Davis
Long jump - Nathan wheeler 4th
Doscus - Brody Davis 1st, Morgan Doscus - Brody Davis 1st, Morga Payne 3rd.
Girls
Girls
400 m - Kim Woods 1st Shot put - Paige Nielsen 6th
Long jump - Kim Woods 2nd Groom Track Meet
Groom Track Meet
Boys:
Boys: - Nathan Wheeler - 3rd
400 m -
1600 m relay - Rowdy Mullin, Mo gan Payne, Hector Mendoza Nathan wheeeler sth
Long jump - Nathan Wheel 1200 m - Richard Wellman
Girls
100 m - Kim Woods 5th $400 \mathrm{~m}-\mathrm{Kim}$ Woods 4 th Shot put - Paige Nielsen 5th
Discus - Paige Nielsen 2nd The next meet for these two
teams will be March 21 at Asper

## Respondek Light

 Golden Glove Champion Thomas Lewis Respondekveighing 178 lbs of Dallas won th Texas State Golden Gloves in th
Light Heavy Weight division on Mar Light Heavy Weight division on Mar
9, 1996. Respondek also won the
championship title for Light Heavy Weight in Bermuda in 1992. He wi fight again within the next 30 day
in Cleveland, Ohio in the National in Cleveland, Ohio in the National
Finals. Beth Van Meter Respondek and Tommy Respondek of Lubbock. He


Briscoe County 4-H'ers Fair Well At Houston

 you figure then were upagainst 4900 other show pigs, then you know how
well their proiects really In the heifer shows Molly Brooks placed 1st in the scramble show and
5th in the junior. Leland Wood's Charlois was 2nd in the scramble show
while Kenda and Monty's heifers both while Kenda and Monty's heifers both placed in the junior. Winter Smith's
Angus placed 2nd in her class. Tara Smith exhibited an Angus heifer.
Tougher luck was had in the Tougher luck was had in the steer show, with Leland Woods sixth
Chianina being the only placing steer from Briscoe Co. 4-H. Other
exhibitors at Houst exhibitors at Houston were: Trey Ziegler, Jack Cherry, Chelsea Cherry,
Terri CCitwood, Kenzie Burson, Christina Stephens, Beau Brock, Bryn These Eids were very, good ambassadors for our county along with Kids
from both county FFA Chapters. They from both county FFA Chapters. They gained valuable knowledge and
skills from competing with exhibitors from across the stat of Texas the residents of the members of Briscoe County 4-H, I would like to thank The Kids could not make it without your support.
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Happiness in good health and
a bad memory.
-Ingrid Bergman

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WTA\&M Offers Defensive Driving The Continuing Education versity will offer a Defensive Driving Course from 9 a.m. to 4 The course is approved by the Texas Department of Public Sarety. The course can be used f approved by the judge. The ourse can also be used for the
-eduction of automobile liability For cost of the course and preregistration call 806/656.

Caprock Public Library News


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Embracing and Transorming De:
pression edited by John Nelson, M

Celebrate Texas Agriculture on Ag Day March 20, 1996


Preview will be held from $2: 30$ to The day-long event begins at
3 p.m. with information about admissions, financialal aid and WTAMM S student Foundata on
TTward Toward the end of this session,
instructors will be available to talk about specific majors.
tours will be given. Stu
Foundation has added a sonal touch to the routine tou
Speakers will be located
various points on campus to of
fer insight about the WTAMU
 Admissions will plan and host
the event. Many members of Student Foundation attended
Junior/Senior Preview when they were in high school. "Junior/Senior Preview was
a definite advantage for me as a senior. I met a lot of neat people
that I still know today," said Marsha Hamilton, a junior reading major from Clovis, NM,
and a student foundation memand a student foundation mem-
ber. "It was an all-around great ber. "It was an all-around great
time!" time!
Registration forJunior/Senior ROBERT HALL
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ROBERT HALL CHEVROLET/OLDS, INC. said the purpose of Junior /Senior Preview is to offer students WTAMU. This traditional event is expected to draw more than 250

| by Dr. Zerle L. Carpenter <br> Texans have always been proud of being self-sufficient and leaders in agriculture. The state's agricultural industry should be a cause of pride and celebration, and National Agriculture Day on March 20 seems like a good time to pause and salute our tremendous system of food and fiber production in Texas. <br> For openers, the sales of farm and ranch products totaled some $\$ 14$ billion in Texas in 1995. Add to that the multiplier effect of agriculture's impact and you come up with a statewide contribution of about $\$ 45$ billion. That's a big part of the Texas economy and one of which we should all be proud. <br> The Texas Agricultural Extension Service of The Texas A\&M University System has for more than 80 years provided farmers, ranchers and consumers with the latest technological and educational programs to provide vitality to the magnificent food and fiber system in the state. <br> Texas is the number two state in agricultural receipts behind California, but is is the leading state in the production of a number of commodities, including cotton, cattle, sheep, goats, wool and mohair. Texas also is first in value of farm real estate, the number of farms and ranches ( 185,000 ), and the amount of farm and ranch land. <br> In addition, Texas' food and fiber industry has a huge impact on the state's workforce, accounting for about 20 percent of all jobs. <br> The vast majority of American adults read the newspaper. On an average weekday, over 62 percent read the paper and over five week- days, nearly 90 percent say they do so. | Perhaps more important than the economic impact of the state's agricultural industry is the fact that Texas farmers and ranchers produce a wide variety of high quality food products for our dining tables. One only has to make a quick visit to a local market to see the many high quality fruits and vegetables and other products that grace the counters and shelves to appreciate the tremendous job done by today's farmers and ranchers. <br> Producers are continuing to reduce pesticide use as we become more sophisticated in using new technologies and management systems to control insect pests and plant and animal diseases. For example, our efforts in integrated pest managementhave enabled producers to reduce pesticide use on some crops by as much as 60 percent. All this means a higher quality food product for consumers. After all, farmers and ranchers are also consumers and desire nutritious, safe food for themselves and their families just like the rest of us. <br> Agriculture has come a long way in Texas as well as across the nation, and we should be proud of what has been achieved. Consumers have access to wholesome food products at a fraction of the cost that folks in other countries have to pay. In the U. S. folks spend about 10 percent of their disposable income for food---a bargain in every sense of the word. And it's food that is readily available. Can you recall the last time there was a scarcity of your favorite food item? I believe we should be thankful that the United States has the most abundant, safest and most affordable food supply in the world. <br> The first adhesive postage stamps went on sale July 1, 1847. | Texas' system of food and fiber production exudes excellence and is a tribute to the hardworking men and women who make it go--from those who raise the crops and livestock to those engaged in processing, distribution and marketing. It works like a well-oiled machine, and we are all better off because of it. <br> Let's be proud of our food and fiber system! It's helped make Texas great and has contributed immensely to our independence and our quality of life. March 20 is Agriculture Day. Let us all stand up and salute Texas agriculture and celebrate the lifeblood of this state. Please join me in a hearty "pat on the back" to those who work so hard daily to give us sustenance. <br> Dr. Charles Townsend, retired professor of history, will speak on Old Main on "Why You Should Be a BUFF." Dr. Peter Walters, director of LifeServices, will speak at the Classroom Center on "How to Cope. With College Stress. <br> The day will wrap up with games from 6 to 6:30 p.m. and dinner with WTAMU students, staff and faculty will be served from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. in the South Dining Hall. <br> The evening will include a comedy club by Buzz Sutherland from 8 to 9 p.m. and a dance along with casino games from 9 p.m. to midnight in the Jack B. Kelly Student Center. The Regulators, a country music band, will play for the dance. <br> There will be no charge to attend; however, reservations are required. The deadline to register for Junior/Senior Preview is Thursday, March 21. <br> For more information or to register for the event, contact the office of Admissions in Room 124 of Old Main or call 806/6562020 or 1-800-99-WTAMU. <br> What is lovely never dies but passes into other loveliness, star-dust, or sea foam, flower or winged air. |
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themselves struggled with and The Guiness Book of Records,
1996. All trivia buffs, this is the

## FLOMOT NEWS

Mr.
OVERHEARD

Its hamburger surprise," the Mrs Clayton Bond a | wits hamburger surprise," the | $\begin{array}{l}\text { Wayne Huntre ciainaton the Revevand and } \\ \text { "ife told her husband as she served } \\ \text { Mrs. J.E. Lee of Plainview at the }\end{array}$ |
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 Mrs. Nelva Morris returned Mrs. Nelva Morris returned
home from Lubbock Monday
following hospitaization in
Methodist Hospital the past two
 arclay and
Mrs. Lance Barclay and Colby, of
Lubbock, and Mr. and Mrs. Cody Lubbock, and Mr. and Mrs. Cody
Barclay and Lane of Plainview, Michael and Warren Davis of
Fritcharived Friday tospend their
spring-break holidays
with spring-break holidays with
grand
granethe Mr. and Mrs. Jack Starke. Their mother Mrs. Jackie
Lynn Davis of Fritch visited from Sunday until Tuesday. Other
visitors Saturday were Mr. and Mrs. Mike Starkey of Canyon.
Visiting in the Visiting in the home of Mr. and
Mrs. Howar Rogers during the
Neek were Mr Degan of Kal anary and Stanley
Washington of Childress. Washington of Childress.
Lillie Tanner a apatient Lillie Tanner, apatient last week
in St . Mary's Hospitat in Lubbock, was accompanied to Flomot Friday
trecuperate in the home of her daughter and husband, Mr. and
Mrs. Joe Ine Clay. Out of town Miss. Joe ike Cliay. out of town
vistors in their home during the
veekend were Mr and Mrs. Charles Teekend were Mr. Mrd Mrs. Charies
Tanne and Mrs. Marzella Amold
and Mrs. Carolyn Ewing of Matador; Mr. and Mr. Sess LiLtteo Ma Silaveron Herb Martin. Max Washington of Anton visited Edith Washington. Mrs. Melba Jo Shelton is
welcomed to the Flomot community. Wednesday Sheckley to Flomot Johnny Spere of Floydada and M.G. guests of Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Mrs. Teresa McGraw and children Kellan and Kacee of
Kerrville arevisiting durig the
Spring break holidays with her spring-break hoirdays with her
parents, Mr. and Mrs. Owill Lee.
Nis.t. Visiting Mrs. C. W. St Starkey
Sunday were daughter and Sunday were daughter and

husband, Mr. and Mrs. Homer | Cypert of Lockney. |
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| Mr and Mre Joe | Silverton visited Saturrday with Mr. and Mrs. Johnney Turner and

Cobey. They attended show in Matador.
 stand three feet high and of


SHIRLEY HAWKINS
INCOME TAX SERVICE

Hawkins Insurance Quitaque, Texas

University of Texas at Austin
School of Nursing
Do Gooders Club Hears
Guest Gerry Jones Tesday atternoon, March 5, at the paker was Gerry Jones is supervisor of the Motley County linic in Matador
Mrs. Jones Mrs. Jones gave a very
formative talk on Emergency kecord guides. She handed out guidelines for Power of Attorney, Mary Jo Calvert presided at the
business meeting. Members are to bring dessert for the catered lunch
at the Cotton Producers Meting to at the Cotton Producers Meeting to
be held Monday March 18, at the the Center will be Wednesday, Marcy 27, and those attending are
requested to bring paper product In other business, it wa Care Clinic will be Tuesday, April the Center. More details later Edith Washing featured St.
Patrick's Day colors and coffee and punch were served. Irish" was smiling on the club as Floyd, NM gavis Nall Dobbs vacuum cleaner, the club's laying of new carpet and window blinds for which chances will be sold. Attending the meeting wer Wadey Clay, Trula Martin, Barbara
Payne, Judy True, Bernice Bond,

## NDMDUALS

If you have a diagnosis
of multiple sclerosis and are interested in filling out a research survey about your experiences

Alexa Stuifbergen
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Monday trough firion book for you!
For juveniles: The Fear Place by
Phyllis Naylor. When twelve year Phyllis Naylor. When twelve year
old Doug and his older brother are left camping alone in the mountains,
Doug faces his fear of heights and Doug faces his fear or heig
his feelings about Gordon.
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Another Feat Street thriller by Mr. Caprock Public Library will now be open 30 hours a week for your
convenience. The new hours are Tuesday-8:30-5:30, Wednes
day- $8: 30-5: 30$, Thursday $-8: 30$

Pampered Presents Program For We The Women

Beth Motsenbocker from the
Pampered Chef in Wellington pre Pampered Chef in Wellington pre-
sented a program on kitchen gadgets to We The Women Tuusday,
March 12 at noon. All kinds of gadgets from paring knives and
vegetable peelers to apple parers and pizza stones were on display. Beth, also, had some great ideas on
garnishes and other nifty, yet easy, ideas for the hurried cook. Door prizes were won by Ruth
Anderson, Marj Boyles, and Arlene Anderson,
Hinkle.
The quit
which several ladies from the community have quilted, was on display
during the meeting. It will be on display at different businesses be purchased from any member of

WTAMU's 14th
Annual Junior \& Senior Preview
is hosting their 14th annua Junior/Senior Preview on Sat
urday, March 23. All area high school juniors and seniors are welcome to spend the day on the
WTAMU campus. Penny Pollart, a graduat
cone nand but usumip rou

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TURKEY NEWS TURKEY
Ann Coker
All are invited to attend the
Spring Revival at Turkey-Quitaque
Methodist Church. The revival Spring Revival at Turkey -Quitaque
Methodist Church. The revival
begins Sunday morning, March 17 at Turkey at $9: 30$ a.m. Speaker will
be James Willburn, a former Turkey be James Willburn, a former Turkey
pastor. He will speak at Quitaque pastor. He will speak at Quitaque
at $11: 00$ at the Methodist Church. Rev. Wilburn will speak at
Turkey Methodist at 6:00 p.m. on Sunday, and Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday night services will Sunday, at the Turkey church. A sandwich supper will be held at the
Turkey church Sunday following services. On Tuesday, March 19, the Turkey church will
have a ladies lunchon.
At $6: 30$ a.m., Wednesday, there
THINGS SEEN \& HEARD Visiting with Dot Arnold last
weekend, was her daughter and
husband, Karen and Wes McDougal
of Amarillo. The McDougals will of Amarillo. The McDougals will
soon be moving to Dumas.
Mary Laury returned last Friday from several days visit to Hamli Allen Bolts.
Enjoyed visiting with Harvey and Betty Willams last weekend.
They live in Clarendon and were They live in Clarendon and were
visiting with Harve's mother, Arlie williams.
Visiting in Memphis last Sunday
was Bonnie Hill. She visited with her daughter, Carol Weatherly.
Enjoyed visiting with all the people who attended the turkey and
dressing dinner at the Methodist Church last Sunday. Delores and Hubert Price were
in Austin last week in the in Austin last week in the home of and Kevin Bench and Kilby.
Stuart and Vivian Smith attended the State High School boys
tournament in Austin last weekend. tournament in Austin last weekend.
They reported that while there restaurant. Scotty was also there to attend the tournament.
While we were in Amarillo last Friday, and Coker was in meetings,
I visited with Myra Brown at the Mall. She said she and her family are all doing fine. Then I drove to
the Santa Fe restaurant where I was most graciously welcomed by always a delight to visit with Kevin.

 church, and dinner at Caprock
Cafe.
They were taken on a drive
through every lane and road in through every lane and road in
Caprock State Park, and followed Caprock State Park, and followed
all the backroads from Quitaque to the north part of Turkey. Lillian said, "If we make it until
our 70th, well have a celebration.
We'll put the big We'll put the big pot in the little
one."
Vida Mae Pierce Honored On 80th Birthday

## hida Mae Pierce was honored on



Saturday, February 17, 1996.
Vida had been told about the
dinner for her immediate family,
but was deligh fully surprised when
but was delightfully surprised when
nieces and nephews came in from
out of town. When the party arrived out of town. When the party arrived
at the restaurant, Gay McClendon,
El Caminin's proprietor, added to
the festive occasion by decorating the festive occasion by decorating
the tables in the dining room with the tables in the dining room with
birthday balloons and a potted ivy
with an angel cherub which was a gift to the honoree.
Everyone enjoyed the delicious Everyone enjoyed the delicious
meal while visiting and sharing about the family. The grand finale
was a large italian cream cake (baked by Margie Pinkerton) with
the inscription "Happy Birthday Grannie Bide, Mother and Vida
blazing with all 80 candles. This was Vida's second birthday
cake as Kay and Ronnie had come from Austin on Thursday, February 15 , her actual birthday, and cele-
brated that evening with a sour brated that evening with a sour
cream cake that Kay had baked for Ver Mother.
Vida asid she truly enjoyed her
birthday, even blowing out all those birthday, even blowing out all those
candles. She summed it up how she candles. She summed it up how she
felt by saying "You have made my
8oth birthday a whiz". Those attending were: the hon-
oree, Vida and Burl Pierce of Turoree, Vida and Burl Pierce of Tur-
key, B.G. and Juyd Pierce of Cedar Creek, Texas, Kay and Ronald Eudy
of Austin, Texas, Angela, Randy and Gunner Linhart also of Austin, Mary and Sharladae Pierce of Wichita
Falls, Texas, Kenneth and Ann Falls, Texas, Kenneth and Ann
Husband of Childress, Texas, Velda
Hurstof Hurst of Marietta, Oklahoma, Kathy

## Can You Find The Drug Dealer In This Picture?



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hood. You don't see drug dealers on the cor- them drugs is not a friend. Next, be an ner. Your kids are only in grade school. Why informed parent. Call 1-800-269-4237 and ask worry? Because drug dealers don' neces- for a free booklet called torew like the ones on television. In Free-A Parent's Guide to Prevention. Then
sarill fact, studies show that your kids are more and this is really important-get to know your
likely to be pushed into using drugs by kids friends. And their parents. Because someone their meone they think


Families In Training Recognition As a part of a joint national
effort to highlight rural develop- $\begin{gathered}\text { Participants receive indi } \\ \text { vidual career counseling }\end{gathered}$ effort to highlight rural developAssociation of Community Ac-
tion Agencies (NACAA), the National Association of Devel opment Organizations (NADO Research Foundation, and the USDA) recently recognized the Families in Training program for its outstanding contributions to rural Texas.
The key to successful employment is education. However, for low-income families, and espe cially single parents, it is difficult to manage the roles of par ent, caretaker, wage earner and
student. In addition, many of those in such households mus also struggle to overcome the burdens of broken homes, pov-
erty and abuse.
The Families in Training
The Families in Training program focuses on providing
rental assistance, case manage ment and other services to low-
income persons who are pursuing post-secondary education The program provides financial assistance, emotional support
and information to assist families in healing the scars of bro ken homes, poverty, and in many
cases, abuse. Applicants for the cases, abuse. Applicants for the
FIT program must be eligible ent of dependent child (ren) and be attending or preparing to at tend college or post secondary vocational education. Ninety percent of the program partici-
pants are female, single heads pants are female, single heads
of households. Seventy percent of households. Seventy percent
of the participants are AFDC recipients.
Upon eligibility determina
tion, each applicant must go
through an intensive assessment process to be accepted into the program. This process includes completion of an extensive application before being inter Force." This task force is com prised of community leaders and representatives from re
source agencies, and is responsible for determining admission to the Families in Training Pro sonal development seminars,
support from other Panhandle Community Services resource such as energy and transportation assistance, emergency food, information and referral, and training is completed. In return, participants must main or better and participate in the case management provided by FIT. Participants may remain in the program for two years, or
until their education is completed if all program require Success is evident when graduates enter into employ-
ment averaging $\$ 9.00$ an hour. The conceptof this program has been in existence since 1989 with over 300 families participating. Occupational range is broad, including careers such as occupational and physical therapy, dental hygiene, cour education, computer/information systems management

Trees To Be Given Away By Arbor Day Foundation
$\qquad$ tional Arbor Day Foundation during
The ten shade trees are Red Oak, Weeping Willow, Sugar Maple,
Green Ash, Thornless Honeylocust Pin Oak, River Birch Tuliptree Pin Oak, River Birch, Tuliptree
Silver Maple, and Red Maple. "These trees were selected to provide shade and beauty, and a
variety of forms, leaf shapes, variety of forms, Ieaf shapes, and
beautiful fall colors," John Rosenow, theFoundation's president, said.
The trees will be shipped postThe trees will be shipped postApril or May with enclosed planting
instructions. The six to twelve inch instructions. The six to twelve inch will be replaced free of charge. To become a member of the
Foundation and receive the free trees, sendaa $\$ 10$ contribution to FREE SHADE TREES, National
Arbor Day Foundation, 100 Arbor Avenue, Nebraska City, NE 68410 Avenue, Nebraska by March 31, 1996 . For Student Exchange
The American International
Youth Student Exchange Program is a non-profit high school foreign exchange program in the United tates, Europe, and other parts of
the world. AIYSEP believes the world. AlYSEP believes a
greater international understand-
ing is accomplished ing is accomplished among people
and countries through cultural and home stay programs. It offers quali-
fied students a chance to spend a fied students a chance to spend
summer, semester or school year with a host family in America or abroad.
At prese At present, American host fami-
lies are being sought for 25 student lies are being sought for 25 students
from high schools in Europe and from high schools in Europe an ing school year. Students will ar rive in the United States in late August, attend the local school and The students, all fluent in English have been screened by their school counselors in their home country
and will receive medical insurance and spending money. Children are welcome to participate in the program. All families hosting a student for the year can deduct poses. can High School Students, ages 15 19, who would like to spend a high school semester or year with a
European family or to participate in a 4 - or 6 -week family stay abroad in the summer. Students are screened
by AIYSEP school counselors and didates who have evidence of maknowledge of English and foreig language can be finalists and beInterested students.
Interested students and families AIYSEP International Headquar ters: Office of the Director, 200
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Hospice at Childress To Host Coffee For Clergymen of Area Clergy of the area are being Childress Regional Medical Center Hospice on March 21. Beginning at 10 a.m. in the the coffee will offer "Hospice Philosophy" as the topic of inerest and discussion.

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