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Gina Parker, candidate for the Republican Party State Chair, along with Jane Cancino, Senate District 28 Republican Committeewoman, and her son, Michael visited with JoAnn Reagan, one of the Briscoe County Republican Party Delegates on a recent visit to Quitaque.

State GOP Women Visit Quitaque

Recently making a stop-over in Quitaque were Senate District 28 Republican Committeewoman, Jane Cancino, of Lubbock and candidate for State Chairman of the Republican Party of Texas, Gina Parker of Waco. Briscoe County Republican Delegates Joann Reagan and Donna Hamilton met with the women during their brief visit. Both Reagan and Hamilton will serve as Briscoe County Republican Delegates to the State Convention in San Antonio, June 3-5.

Psalms IV To Perform At The Gem Theatre

The Psalms IV of Amarillo will be in Turkey May 8th for a concert to benefit the Turkey Roost Museum. The concert will begin at 7 p.m. at the Gem Theatre.

We would love to fill the Theatre to capacity and invite everyone to come help us do this. The theatre has comfortable seating and the new restroom facilities have been completed.

The Psalms IV is acappella quartet made of a group of Ron Loe, Lyndon Latham, Pete Talley and Tim Forrest, gentlemen from the Amarillo and Canyon area.

The first half of the concert will be dedicated to mothers and will include some old gospel songs requested from some of the local Sr. Citizens.

Vendors Report Good Turnout For Highway 70 Garage Sale

By Margie Pinkerton

The weather was just a little too cool and brisk for the Highway 70 Garage Sale Day. Despite the weather Turkey had a good turnout and even though the crowd didn't seem as large as last year's everyone reported that they did pretty well.

Those out for the sale included Lubbock, Littlefield, Hurst, Vernon, Letors, Snyder and all the other towns around our area.

It is really interesting to visit with the people who come for our events. Most of them come because they love the area and like to get away from the hussle of the larger towns.



The Used Book Sale continues at the Turkey Public Library. Featured this month are Romance Novels, a perfect gift for Mother's Day.

First Baptist Revival To Begin This Sunday

Evangelist Jonathan Hewett will be speaking at First Baptist Church during a special time of spiritual renewal May 9th - 11th. Pastor Jeff Addison is encouraging church members to attend and the community is welcome, also.

The services will be held at First Baptist Church - Sunday 10:30 am and Sunday evening 6 pm, Monday and Tuesday at 7 pm and at the Valley School Wednesday Evening at 7:00 pm. "Given the events of recent days in our country," said Hewett, "I believe that now, more than ever, all of us need to return to our spiritual foundations and seek the Lord for His help."

Hewett has been traveling and speaking since 1997. He is based in Celina, Texas, north of Dallas. He conducts mission work yearly in South Africa and preaches in camps, churches and retreat settings in many states in the U.S. Making use of a computer and projector, Hewett uses pictures and stories to enhance his sermons. "Everyone listens better when there's a picture," said Hewett. "I enjoy using the projector and adding that dimension to the sermon."

In this media driven culture, according to Hewett, all ages are accustomed to receiving information visually. Hewett was a youth minister for 15 years and still conducts many events for teenagers. He will be speaking to our local teenagers on Wednesday night at the Valley School all are welcome to come. "Teenagers need to hear the concrete moral truths of the Bible," said Hewett, "because they are asked daily to make serious decisions that impact their future and eternity."

During the meetings at the church, a nursery will be provided for ages infant - 3 years. The church is located on the corner of North 2nd and Morris Street. For more information, call 806-455-1286

Ozark Trail Christmas Lighting Project Taking Shape

By Margie Pinkerton

Marjorie Bell, Marie Cruse and Margie Pinkerton attended the recent Ozark Trail meeting held at Ranch Country, south of Quitaque on Monday, May 3. The plan is for everyone along the Ozark Trail, from Estelline to Tulia, to have Christmas lighting this December. The theme for this years event will be Holiday Lights on the Ozark Trail. The next meeting will be in Turkey on June 7th, everyone who is interested in increasing tourism in our area is encouraged to attend.

The Ozark Trail Organization has been formed to promote tourism in our area through various projects and events.

The hostess for the May meeting was Delored Pigg. The view from her ranch silhouetted Grey Mule Cemetery against the backdrop of the Caprock escarpment. Lunch for the group was served outside to take advantage of the beautiful view. After a very productive meeting the group toured the Grey Mule area.

VALLEY WEATHER

DATE	HI	LO	PREC
APR. 29	77	53
APR. 30	83	50	.12
MAY 1	58	44
MAY 2	65	39
MAY 3	81	43
MAY 4	87	43
MAY 5	92	60

Valley Calendar of Events

- May 7**
* Quitaque Senior Citizens meeting @ 5 p.m.
- May 8**
* Psalms IV Concert at the Gem Theatre in Turkey @ 7 p.m.
- May 9**
* Mother's Day
- May 10**
* Turkey Lions Club meeting @ 7 p.m.
* Valley School Board of Trustees meeting
* Quitaque City Council meeting @ 5 p.m.
* Quitaque Volunteer Fire Department meeting
* Quitaque's Weight Watchers meeting @ 5:45 p.m. Weigh-In @ 5:15 p.m.
* Briscoe County Commissioner Court @ 10 a.m.
* Hall County Commissioner Court @ 10 a.m.
* Motley County Commissioners Court @ 10 a.m.
- May 11**
* We the Women meeting @ 12 noon
* Turkey Senior Citizens meeting @ 6 p.m.
- May 13**
* Turkey City Council meeting @ 7 p.m.



19 trees were destroyed recently at the site of the new Quitaque Community Center by a vandal on a bulldozer.

Vandal Destroys 19 Trees At Site Of Quitaque's New Community Center

19 Elm trees were bulldozed down at the site of the new Quitaque Community Center recently. The incident is currently under investigation by the Briscoe County Sheriff's Department. According to a City spokesperson the trees replacement cost has been estimated at \$1,000 per tree. This cost is estimated for replacing the lost trees with trees of comparable size. This does not include the cost of installing the new trees or removing the debris from the destruction of the downed elms.

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Relay For Life Baked Potato Dinner

The Homemakers Sunday School Class will be having a Baked Potato Dinner on Sunday, May 16 from 11:45 a.m. until 1:30 p.m. at the Quitaque Community Center. The cost of your meal is a donation to the upcoming Valley Area 2004 Relay For Life to be held June 4th at the Valley School.

The group will be serving baked potatoes with chili and all the toppings, a crips green salad, dessert and iced tea.

Your support will be appreciated.

Paducah to Host Arts & Crafts Festival / Poker Run

As May 15th approaches Paducah is gearing up for 1st Annual 4-H poker Run/Arts & Crafts Festival. The event is co-sponsored by the Texas Cooperative Extension Service of Cottle County and The Paducah Chamber of Commerce, the festival promises to be great fun, with a lot of interesting and exciting things to do for every member of the family.

In addition to the Poker Run, there will be bike games, food vendors of all types, art and craft booths and to finish it all off, there will be a dance at the Paducah VFW Building by the group *Muddy Creek* from 9:00 p.m. to 1:00 a.m.

Some of the attractions already signed up are;

Food Booths of Funnel Cakes, Blooming Onions, Curly Fries, Indian Tacos, Homemade Ice Cream, Hamburgers, Shaved Ice, Cornbread & Beans.

Crafts & Sales Booths: Fabric-covered Lightswitch Plates, Microwave Heating Pads, Baby Blankets, Books, TV Throws, Toys, Woodcrafts, Hairbows, Purses, Clothing, Premier Jewelry, Tupperware, Old Coins, Iron baskets & Jalapeno Jelly.

Arts Booths: Indian Art, Western Art in Barnwood Frames, Face Painting.

Games & Rides: Cyber Spin, Inflatable Slide, Moonwalk, Pony Rides & Kiddie Train Rides.

FREE Tee-Shirts will be given to the first 100 Motorcycles in the Poker Run.

To sign up for the Poker Run, call Terry Sexton at (806) 492-2286 or Justin Nash at (806) 492-3151.

Texas Cooperative Extension Service of Cottle County and the Paducah Chamber of Commerce invite you and your family to come on down and enjoy a day of family fun and entertainment May 15, 2004, Downtown Paducah.

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The Original TEXAS CROSSWORD

THANKS MOM!

Happy Mother's Day

Best friends forever, Mom and me
picking flowers and climbing trees.
A shoulder to cry on, secrets to share,
warm hearts and hands that really care.

-Author Unknown-

Enjoy this special
day with Mom
and remember all
she does for you.

Nielsen & Darsey to Wed May 15

Stephanie LeighAnne Nielsen and Robert Thomas Darsey, III will be married Saturday, May 15, 2004 in the Quitaque home of Mr. and Mrs. Scotty Stark.

LeighAnne is the daughter of Jerry Allen and Kellye Payne of Quitaque.

Southwest Airlines Gets Soldier Home To See Ailing Son

Story taken from the Plainview Daily Herald 05-02-2004

With the war taking place in Iraq, most people at home are doing what they can to help support the families of U.S. soldiers as well as helping each other get through the hard times.

That's what a Plainview family found out last week.

When Anthony and Debra Court were moved with the Navy to Norfolk, Va., and Anthony was assigned to the Persian Gulf, Debra decided to come home to Plainview to give birth to their first child and to be around her family - including her mother, Sue Tiffin - during a stressful time.

"She did not have a clue that just being away from her husband for this happy occasion would end up being an even more stressful and potentially tragic time," said her aunt, Karen Tiffin of Plainview.

When Anthony Allen Court Jr. - called "T.J." - was born on April 18 at University Medical Center in Lubbock, he was immediately taken from his mother to the Neonatal Intensive Care Unit and put on a ventilator.

T.J., whose maternal great-grandparents are Glen Dale and Laverne Tiffin of Flomot, had inhaled Meconium into his lungs during birth and was having trouble breathing. He was listed in critical condition, said Ms. Tiffin.

The Red Cross was notified of T.J.'s condition and a message was sent to his father who had been waiting anxiously for the birth of his son.

Luckily, Anthony had a whole ship's crew behind him and supporting him as the Navy made arrangements to send him back to Norfolk.

"That's when Southwest Airlines stepped up to help," said Ms. Tiffin.

Hearing about the urgency of the situation from Ms. Tiffin, Southwest Airlines employees, Donna Blackford and Christine, started to work on a way for Southwest to help the family. Shortly after Anthony landed in Norfolk, Laura Jackson from Southwest called to confirm Anthony's round-trip reservations to get him to Lubbock and back to Norfolk on May 5. The cost to the family would have been about \$900, said Ms. Tiffin.

"Debra and Anthony and our family are very grateful to Southwest for their help in getting Anthony home to see his new son. It seems that having Daddy home has made a big difference in T.J.'s recovery," said Ms. Tiffin.

"He is improving and hopefully will be ready to come home from the hospital before his dad has to go back to the Persian Gulf." Posted to MyPlainview: MAY 01, 2004 23:50 CST

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Senior Class of 1964 Reunite

by Rob Brown

Last Saturday the senior class of 1964 met for an exciting afternoon in the state park with an evening meal at Jack and Edwina Johnson's. Prior to the meal the athlete's of the group were surprised and delighted that one of Quitaque's most favorite coaches, Gene King and his wife Mary Nell could be present. Much reminiscing and laughter occurred throughout the day and evening, as the former classmates, coach and their wives relived old times that occurred forty years ago.

At dusk, as a special treat Clyde Dudley did a very nice job of portraying a nineteenth-century buffalo hunter by his campfire. His one-sided conversation with a phantom newspaper reporter was quite historical and gave all present a better understanding of our areas history.

Jack's & Edwina's restored home was a perfect setting for the supper, play and reminiscing that lasted till almost midnight. After forty years, the following long-time classmates were reunited: Jim Saul, Jack Johnson, Clyde Dudley, Terry Woods, Phil Barefield, Joe Hamilton, and Robin Brown. At this reunion one interesting fact emerged, five of the seven present attended all twelve grades of school at Quitaque, while noone present attended less than six!

Obituaries

Nerene Crump

Sybil Nerene Crump was born March 27, 1919, and passed away April 30th, 2004 in Rowlett, Texas. She was a long time member of Calvary Hill Baptist Church in Mesquite, Texas.

Nerene grew up in Turkey, Texas and will be remembered as a precious mother & loving grandmother.

Nerene was preceded in death by her husband of almost sixty years, Francis Millard Crump; two sons, Ronald & Derrell Jan Crump; grandson, Derrell Crump, Jr.; four brothers and six sisters.

She is survived by her daughter & son-in-law, Sandra and Jimmie Martin; son, Benny Jack Crump of Garland; nine grandchildren; fourteen great-grandchildren; sister, Imogene Price, Canyon, Texas; sister-in-laws Belle & Nadine Davis of Turkey, Texas and several nieces and nephews.

Sleeping With The Angels

An angel's face stares up at me from a newspaper. His smile is proof of the baby he once was but not quite grown out of just yet.

A happy child he must have been, with eyes that sparkled and a face that glowed. Now he rests in Jesus' fold.

How his parents must have cried on that Spring night. They must have thought that this world is cold and not right to take away such an innocent soul.

The Father above must have whispered in the little one's ear. "It's time to come home to sleep in the bed that I have made for you here in Heaven." The little boy did not protest, but went to sleep with the angels instead.

- Dawn DeShea
In Loving Memory of
Lane Cole Langdon
(Great-grandson of the Late
Mr. & Mrs R.J. Harmon)

Letters To The Editor



Dear Park Supporters,

The weather has turned warmer and the plants are really greening up around here. We have had some nice, slow, soaking rains to get the flowers off to a good start, too. The roadsides into the park are lined with Engleman's daisies.

But the really good news is that we received the go-ahead to open our showers! As of yet, we still don't have a pipeline to Quitaque, but it looks like it will become reality soon. So pass the word on! The showers are open (or will be in the next day) and the fire ban has been lifted!

Come visit soon and enjoy our seasonal park programs.

Deanna Oberheue
Asst. Park Manager
Caprock Canyons State Park & Trailway

Progress always involves risk; you can't steal second base and keep your foot on first base.

-Frederick Wilco

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!



- May 6
Ruby Mae Woods, Sylvia Ortiz
- May 7
Kelsey Clay, Cindy Lane
- May 8
Linda Stark, Wanda McKay, Paige Hughes, Jessi Messer, Guyretta Clinton, Del Ray House, Harold Ham, Bodey Lange
- May 9
Judy Barrett, Coy McKay, Barbara Mullin
- May 10
Jaden Pigg, Dusty Rice, Joy Turner, Arnold Johnson, Ofelila Ortiz
- May 11
Whitney Saul, Charmaine Adamson, Lisa Beck
- May 12
Wade Proctor, Taylee Rice, Bryan Burson, Sandy Fuston
- May 13
Tina Bearden, Cathy Purcell



- May 7
Mr & Mrs James Cathey
- May 10
Mr & Mrs Jimmy Ross
- May 11
Mr & Mrs Wes Musgrave
- May 12
Mr & Mrs G.P. Driskill

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Turkey Senior Citizens News

By Oleta Randell

We had 26 members at our last meeting. We had 3 visitors who came in and visited while we were playing games. They were Oltis Lee Mullin, from Graham, TX; Etoile Hamilton of Ft. Worth, TX and Rae Logan of Kerrville, TX. We enjoyed having our visitors and hope they will come again.

Margie Pinkerton and Don Turner administered blood pressure checks. Bob Warner led the prayer for the food.

The next meeting will be Tuesday, May 11th beginning at 6 p.m.. Come on out and enjoy the Fun! Food! & Fellowship!

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Humor is a great thing, the saving thing. The minute it crops up, all our irritations and resentments slip away and a sunny spirit takes their place. -Mark Twain



Mother's Day Sunday, May 9

She's a special lady. After all of those years of hard work and putting your needs first, isn't it time to give her something extra special? How about a trip? Or a new TV or stereo something she would never buy for herself. Or maybe an investment for her future security, such as a CD, or a savings account in her name. There are so many ways to help that very important person. Come in and find out about our investment plans and our loan programs.

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4-H Poker Run & Festival
May 15, 2004 - Around The Courthouse Square
Paducah, Texas
Festival
Sponsored by Paducah Chamber of Commerce

Poker Run
Sponsored by Cottle Co. Texas Cooperative Extension
All proceeds go toward Cottle County 4-H and its programs
Dance to Muddy Creek
9 p.m. - 1 a.m. - North of Square, 1 block / VFW building

Garage Sale
Spaces Available \$5
Hourly Drawings on the Square
Grand Prize Drawing @ 5:30 p.m. (Must be present to win)
For more information contact: Justin Nash (806) 492-3151; Terry Sexton (806) 492-2286 or Lisa Wood (806) 492-2713
Festival sponsored by Cottle County Texas Cooperative Extension & Paducah Chamber of Commerce

May 6, 2004
FLOMOT
Is there anything on earth hug? Frankly, if anyone Mother, no one would be look at it, all Mothers are Rainfall In April K Prec
Spring rains have set the ers are now awaiting warm pre-season moisture we have Although the mercury dips into Tuesday morning Apr age. Basically, it was because Some of the Motley crew double checked April's month was surprising to Buzz Thacker, Roaring Springs, Northfield-4.95 in Simpson, Northfield-4.95 in dor-3.56 inches, 2004 total inches, 2004 total-11.14; Jim total-9.85 inches.
Mr. and Mrs. Furman Vin meeting held in Amarillo, Sat elite group. Furman has the the Crusader conclave. They
Mrs. C.W. Starkey returne pital in Lockney. Her daughter homa is visiting her during he was her son, L.T. Starkey of Grandson
Visiting in Midland Friday Kendall and children, Chance Mrs. Travis Kendall, brother Jere and Jacob.
The birthday of Connor w party and he and his friends alley. He blew out his four candles after opening his gifts.
Mr. and Mrs. J.W. Eubank Saturday with daughter and fa Bly. They attended to business Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Barclay ents, Mr. and Mrs. S.D. Barcl grandmother, Mrs. Edith Wash Frances and Roger Lang of visit her daughter and husband Louis Shorter of Mansfield, and Mrs. Clois Shorter attende she was awarded her BA degree the Harral Auditorium in Plain Mr. and Mrs. Howard Roge Lubbock, Sunday with Mr. and they visited at Lockney Mangol ton.
Coy Franks visited during the mate, Barry Pickett and attende Mr. and Mrs. Doyle Calvert an day with son and family, Alvia J Mrs. Justin Calvert of Amarillo. que with Mr. and Mrs. Dickie Cl Amy and Cory Franks and chi bock visited the weekend with M Mrs. Bill D. Washington.
Mr. and Mrs. Wilburn Martin and Mrs. M.C. Jones enjoyed vi Renfro and Mrs. Eugenia Barton Saturday.
Well, it looks like winter has finally do enjoy the warm weather. week.
Don't forget the National Day will be a time of giving thanks and others.
It was fun to meet the Power Pa We are sorry the weather did not co on Friday or Saturday. We think w Sunday afternoon so we hope they far away as Iowa and Kansas and did get to feed them cookies and ice The musical get-togethers have bly. On Sunday, May 6, "Grammy & own John and Maebelle Francis. W Carolyn Stokes Chandler will also smith will be entertaining. Come o music!!
It was a treat to drive out with McWilliams Place on Sunday. You God as you look out over the beauti feet too. I don't know how anyone c world God has given us.
Did you know that 728,992 peop mary in Texas? There were 144,457 Republicans. Looks like someone ne Congratulations to Mr. & Mrs. Tr on Saturday.
Use Whee Hospital regulations require a whe ing discharged. However, while my nurse, she found one elderly gentlem with a suitcase at his feet who insiste the hospital. After a chat about rules b wheel him to the elevator. On the way meeting him. "I don't know," he said. room changing out of her hospital gov
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Mothers Day
We have a nice sele
Corsages, Cut F
Pot Plants, Card
Something for every Mom on he
Happy Mothe



THE PATRIOT

Valley School News

SCHOOL LUNCH MENU

Menu Subject To Change
Monday, May 10

Breakfast: Cereal, Toast, OJ/Milk
Lunch: Pizza, Salad, Carrot Sticks, Peaches, Milk

Tuesday, May 11

Breakfast: Waffles, Syrup, Sausage, OJ/Milk
Lunch: Chicken Strips, Gravy, Peas & Carrots, Mashed Potatoes, Biscuits, Honey, Milk

Wednesday, May 12

Breakfast: Cinnamon Toast, Applesauce, OJ/Milk
Lunch: Chili Cheese Burritos, Pinto Beans, Mexican Cobbler, Milk

Thursday, May 13

Breakfast: Donuts, OJ/Milk
Lunch: Pigs in a Blanket, American Fries, Corn, Chocolate Pudding, Milk

Friday, May 14

NO SCHOOL TODAY

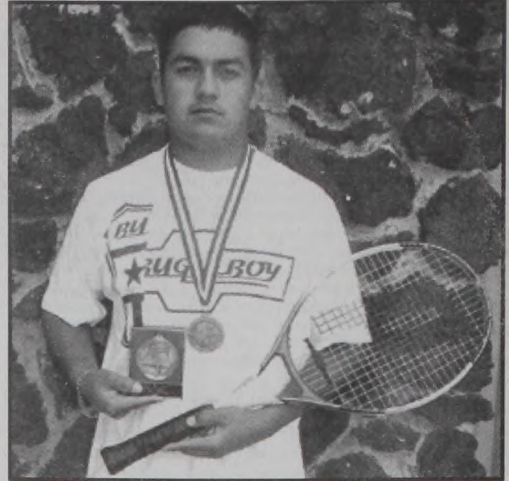
THE LUNCHROOM LADIES

Two Day Horsemanship School For Area Youth

There will be a two day A&M Horsemanship School on Monday, May 31 and Tuesday, June 1 at Jim Coucette's farm, located just east of the Floyd County friends Unity Center in Muncy. It will be from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. both days lunch and snacks for kids will be furnished both days.

The class size is limited to 25 and there are currently 13 signed up. If you would like to attend please let J.D. Ragland, Floyd Co. CEA-Ag know by May 10.

Each attendant will need to bring their own horse, as all skills will be taught on horse back. The cost of the school will be \$40-60 per student depending on the total class size.



Frankie Rodriguez show here with his medals won in District & Regionals

Rodriguez Wins District Championship In Boys Singles Places 3rd At Regional Meet

Francisco Rodriguez, a senior at Valley, won 1st place in boys singles at the District meet held on campus at WTAMU. Francisco defeated players from Groom, McLean, Cotton Center and Nazareth on his way to the District title. This qualified him for the regional tournament in Levelland. This will be his 3rd trip to regionals.

At the regional tournament, Francisco first took on the district runner-up from Lefors, and cruised to a 6-2, 6-1 count. This placed Francisco in the semifinals, where he played the 3 time state champion Rotan. Francisco lost this match and this placed him in the 3rd place match where he met the #2 seeded player in the tournament from Miami. This kid had lost only one match all year, but Francisco won by a 6-2, 6-3 count. This would give him a playback match for 2nd place and a trip to Austin and a chance at the state tournament and a win.

Francisco played well in this match, splitting sets with the Clarendon player, but eventually lost 2-6, 6-4, 3-6. This capped off a great year and career for Francisco and was the best showing for a Valley tennis player in some time. Great job Frankie!

Brett Schneider's SWEAT WITH SUCCESS Basketball Camp
Dates: July 5-7, 2004
Site: Valley High School
For: Boys and Girls (ages 7-18)

Early Registration: \$75 per camper
 Payment must be received by June 20, 2004.

On-Site Registration: \$85 per camper
 Camp Director: **Brett Schneider**, Associate Head Coach at West Texas A&M

For more information, contact **Brett Schneider at 806-651-2918** or E-mail at sweatwithsuccess@yahoo.com
 Contact Coach **Greg Ramsey** at Valley High School for an application.

SENIOR SPOTLIGHT

Name: Kellan Roberts

Age: 19

Birthdate: 01-18-85

Place of Birth: Lookney, Tx

Parents Name: Kerry Roberts & Teresa Lee

My Pet Peeve: People that give up

My Role Model: My mother and father

My Best Characteristic: Never giving up

Favorite Pastime: Being with my friends

Favorite Style of Dress: How I feel

Favorite Food: Almost everything

Favorite Movie: Top Gun

My Favorite Sport: Football

Favorite Subject: Math

Hobbies: Drawing & Race lawn mowers

If I could travel anywhere, I would go... To Cancun

The best advice I ever received was... don't ever give up.

The worst advice I ever received was... Sometimes you just have to give up.

My worst habit is... Not being on time.

I'm thankful for... Everything God has given me.

If I could change something, it would be... Our lost football game.

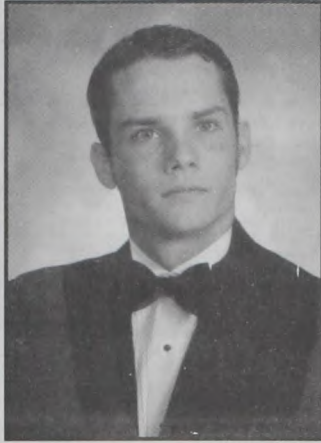
I always fall for... A good looking girl.

My greatest fear is... That I won't make it.

Someday I want to... Be a Civil engineer.

My most valued possession... My truck

After Graduation I plan to... Go to college



SENIOR SPOTLIGHT

Name: Ramiro Ramos, Jr.

Age: 19

Birthdate: 02-24-85

Place of Birth: Uvalde, TX

Parents Name: Ramira & Maria Ramos

My Pet Peeve: People who wear baseball hats with no crease on the bill.

My Role Model: My parents

My Best Characteristic: ~

Favorite Pastime: Playing baseball

Favorite Style of Dress: Casual

Favorite Food: Carne Guisada

Favorite Movie: Scarface

My Favorite Sport: Baseball

Favorite Subject: English

Hobbies: Collecting cards

If I could travel anywhere, I would go... To the Taj mahal

The best advice I ever received was... Don't ever let anyone say you can't.

The worst advice I ever received was... We won't get caught.

My worst habit is... Committing to do to many things

I'm thankful for... My friends & family.

If I could change something, it would be... world hunger

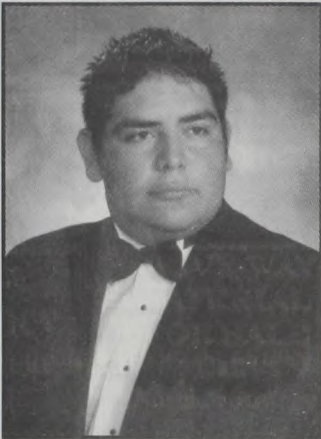
I always fall for... A pretty smile & pretty eyes.

My greatest fear is... being a failure.

Someday I want to... To be a happy family man.

My most valued possession... My family.

After Graduation I plan to... Go to school and get a great job.



SENIOR SPOTLIGHT

Name: Juan Regalado

Age: 17

Birthdate: 07-11-1986

Place of Birth: Guanajuato, Mexico

Parents Name: Leo & Vicky Regalado

My Pet Peeve: Stupid people

My Role Model: My parents

My Best Characteristic: I talk to everyone.

Favorite Pastime: Chill with friends (girlfriends)

Favorite Style of Dress: Don't have one

Favorite Food: Can't decide, I love food.

Favorite Movie: X-Men

My Favorite Sport: Football

Favorite Subject: Math

Hobbies: Talk on the phone, listen to music, take naps & eat.

If I could travel anywhere, I would go... To Hawaii

The best advice I ever received was... Don't ever give up.

The worst advice I ever received was... if you work hard, you will always achieve.

My worst habit is... Sometimes, hardly ever, I use foul language and being tardy, once or twice.

I'm thankful for... Family, friends, health, my religion and my belief in God.

If I could change something, it would be... My mistakes

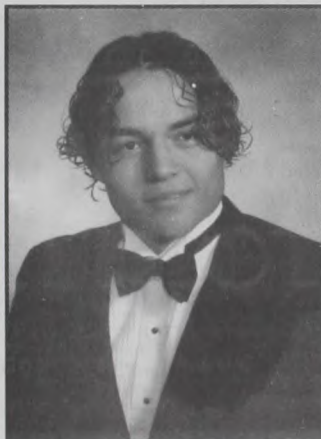
I always fall for... Beautiful, down-to-earth girls.

My greatest fear is... Heights

Someday I want to... Have a big family, lots of friends and nice rides.

My most valued possession... My intelligence, my family & friends.

After Graduation I plan to... go to college, get a career, and just enjoy life.



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Valley Teachers Attend Migrant Conference
 Rosa Villarreal and Sarah Hinojosa attended a Migrant Parent Conference at West Texas A&M University on April 22, 2004. They reported the sessions were great and the food even better. Counselors from Region 16 of Amarillo, Zeke Castro and Julia Clay, also attended.

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Valley FFA Racks Up 36 Awards In Spring Judging Contests

Thirty-three Valley FFA Chapter members have just finished up the 2004 judging season that saw the group win 36 different team and individual awards in 9 different Career Development Events.

Teams competing this year included; Dairy Products Evaluation, Poultry Evaluation, Horse Evaluation, Dairy Cattle Evaluation, Agricultural Mechanics, Cotton Grading, Wildlife Management, Agricultural Communications and Meats Evaluation.

The Greenbelt District is made up of 16 schools. The Area 1 Association includes 97 schools and there are 989 eligible FFA chapters competing in Texas. Area and District contests were held simultaneously at Texas Tech University.

As printed recently the Dairy Products team of Katherine Pigg, Chase Maynard, Maddie Ramsey, Macy and Molly Davidson, Alicia Roys and Elizabeth Carroll placed 1st in District, 1st in the Area and finished the year as State Champions. Individually Maynard placed 7th, Pigg 8th and M. Ramsey 9th.

The Poultry team of Matt Whittington, Zach Ramsey, Paige Hughes, Cody Varnell and Chelsea Wheeler placed 1st in District and 2nd in Area 1.

The Agricultural Mechanics team of Juan Regalado, Frankie Rodriguez, Robert Mendoza and Ramiro Ramos placed 3rd in District and 5th in the Area.

Horse Evaluation team members including Clif Yeary, Charlie Walden, Douglas Payne and Cody Barrett placed 5th in District.

Bryant Ortiz, Hector Cruz and Jake Gass made up the Cotton Grading team that finished 1st in District and 3rd in the Area.

Dairy Cattle judges Fannin Gwinn, Jennifer Carnes and Randy Farley placed 6th in the district. Farley also competed in Meats Evaluation at Clarendon College as an individual.

The Wildlife Management team of Rodney Fuston, Kellan Roberts, Jessica Wellman and Larissa Payne competed in two invitational contests but were unable to compete at district due to an unavoidable conflict with other school activities.

The Agricultural Communications team of Jonathan Farley, Jennifer Carnes and Alicia Roys were also unable to compete due to conflicts, but were very diligent in preparing for their contest.

The season started off at the Tarleton State University Invitational Contest on March 25th where over 5500 students from across Texas competed in 12 different events. The Dairy Products team placed first out of some 86 teams with Maynard placing 2nd and Pigg 3rd individually out of 282 contestants. In the Poultry contest Whittington placed 15th and Varnell 29th out of 454.

On the following day at the West Texas A&M Invitational the Dairy Products team placed 4th with Macy and Molly Davidson placing 6th and 8th respectively. The Poultry team placed 3rd out of 35 teams with Paige Hughes leading the way with a 7th place individual effort and Zach Ramsey 11th.

On Saturday, March 27 at the Clarendon College Invitational the Agricultural Mechanics team placed 2nd. Regalado lead the team with a 4th place individual effort while Rodriguez placed 7th and Mendoza 8th. The Dairy Products bunch placed 2nd lead by K. Pigg in 2nd and M. Ramsey in 6th. The Poultry team placed 3rd and was lead by Whittington who placed 8th.

The Dairy Products team placed 2nd at the Snyder Invitational with Molly Davidson finishing 8th individually and Maynard 9th.

Each of the contests these students have competed in represents an occupation in the field of agriculture. It is the goal of the FFA program to teach skills in evaluation, analysis and problem solving. The program continues to foster competitive opportunities for students to learn the value of teamwork while developing personal confidence and a sound work ethic.

We want to thank the Valley School System and the surrounding communities for their continuing support of Agricultural Education.



The 2004 Valley FFA Poultry team : Front row L-R: Zack Ramsey, Matt Whittington, Cody Varnell. Back row L-R: Paige Hughes, Chelsea Wheeler



The Valley Ag. Mechanics team: (left to right) Robert Mendoza, Juan Regalado, Frankie Rodriguez and Ramiro Ramos 2nd Dist, & in 5th Area 1



The 2004 horse team: L-R: Cody Barrett, Charlie Walden, Douglas Payne, and Clif Yeary. 5th in District.



The 2004 Valley FFA Cotton Evaluation Team: L-R: Jake Gass, Bryant Ortiz, Hector Cruz — 1st in Dist. and 3rd in Area 1.



The 2004 Dairy products team : Front Row L-R: Macy Davidson, Maddie Ramsey, Molly Davidson Back row; L-R: Katherine Pigg, Chase Maynard

Maynard Leaps to Fourth Place

Chase Maynard used a career high jump on 42' 7" to place fourth in the Triple Jump at the Class A Region I Track Meet last weekend. Maynard blasted his previous best of 40' 4" as he defeated all three jumpers that he lost to at the Area Meet.

Douglas Payne made his second appearance at the Regional Meet competing in the High Jump and the 110 High Hurdles. Rodney Fuston also competed for the second time in the Shot Put.

"We're proud of these boys," Coach Clay said. "All three of these seniors have had outstanding athletic careers at Valley and superb Senior years. It was a lot of fun to watch Chase put in his best effort at Regional."

Relay For Life, Helping Our Neighbors In Need

I was diagnosed with breast cancer in July, 1999 after having a biopsy in Amarillo. They did a CAT scan the same day and called me three day later and told me I had three spots on my liver and two on my lungs. I got an appointment at M.D. Anderson in Houston and they did another CAT scan and bone scan. My prayers were answered because the spots were not malignant on my lungs and liver. I had a lumpectomy and 18 lymph nodes removed and again, prayers were answered. It all came back clear. I had six rounds of chemo, one every 21 days.

They have made so much progress in the medications that they give for nausea that I was really only sick one day from he chemotherapy. After finishing the chemo I had seven weeks of radiation.

My grandson was born the sixth week of my radiation. Every time I see him I thank God that He has allowed me to live and be a part of Brayton's life.

Someone asked me once how I got through all of this by myself. I never felt alone once because of how my family and friends were there to help me. God gave me many signs to let me know He was right beside me.

Juannah Jennings
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To enter, send ONE photograph in ONLY ONE of the following categories: People, Travel, Pets, Children, Sports, Nature, Action, Humor, Portraiture, or Other. The photo must be a color or black-and-white print as the category and the title of the photo. Photographs should be sent to: The International Library of Photography, Suite 101-2619, 3600 Crandall Lane, Owings Mills, MD 21117. Entries must be post-marked by July 31, 2004. You may also submit your photo directly online at www.picture.com.

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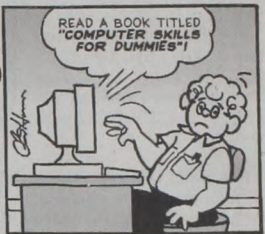
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A&M totalled \$1,595.69 a year ago. The equivalent will cost \$1,736, an increase of \$140.31 or 12.6 percent, for fall 2004. Priority registration, however, saves a student taking 15 semester credit hours \$60 and reduces the increase to a more palatable 8.8 percent. One of Johnson's challenges will be to persuade students to take advantage of priority registration.

"Historically, about 30 percent of our students wait until the last minute to register," Johnson said. "That makes it difficult to be efficient with such things as faculty appointments and course offerings, particularly when budgets are tight." Priority registration will enhance the University's planning process, and, I think, it will encourage students to plan better and to be more thoughtful and responsible when making class selections.

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