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Gina Parker, candidate for the Republician 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

State GOP Women Visit Quitaque

Recently making a stop-over in Quitaque were Senate District 28 Republican Committeewoman, Jane Cansino, of Lubof 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

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.

ger, Lubbock, Those out fo bock and candidate for State Chairman of the Republican Party 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 ofa 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,

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May 7
* Quitaque Senior Citizens meeting @ 5 p.m.

May 8
* Psalms IV Concert at the Gem Theatre in Turkey @

* Mother's Day May 10

* Turkey Lions Club meeting @ 7 p.m.

* Valley School Board of
Trustees meeting

p.m. Weigh-In @ 5:15 p.m. * Briscoe County Commissioner Court @ 10 a.m. Hall County Commis-

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May 11 * We the Women meeting elms. @ 12 noon

* Turkey Senior Citizens meeting@6p.m

* Turkey City Council meeting @ 7 p.m. We Wolld Love To Hear From You vtaylor@caprock-spur.com

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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

19 Elm trees were bull dozed * Quitaque City Council meeting @ 5 p.m.

* Quitaque Volunteer Fire Department meeting * Quitaque's Weight City spokesperson the trees Watchers meeting @ 5:45 replacement cost has been estimated at \$1,000 per tree. This cost is estimated for trees of comparable size. This does not include the cost of * Motley County Commis- installing the new trees or distruction of the downed Muddy Creek from 9:00 p.m. to 1:00 a.m.

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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 approches 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 Commerce replacing the lost trees with promises to be great fun, with a lot of interesting and exciting trees of comparable size. This thing to do for every member of the family.

In addition to the Poker Run, there will be bike games, food venders of all types, art and craft booths and to finish it all off, removing the debris from the there will be a dance at the Paducah VFW Building by the group

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

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.

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 sillouetted 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.



MEMBER

Nielsen & Darsey to Wed May 15

Stephanie LeighAnne Nielsen and Robert Thomas Darsey, III will e 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 Quita-

Southwest Airlines Gets Soldier Home To See Ailing Son

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

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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
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The did not have a clue that just being away from her nusband 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

She is survived by her daughter & son-in-law, Sandra and at University Medical Center in Lubbock, he was immediately taken form his mother to the Neonatal Intensive Care Unit and put on a ven-

T.J., whose maternal great-grandparents are Glen Dale and Laverne Tiffin of Flomot, had inhaled Meconoium 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

Luckily, Anthony had a whole ship's crew behind him and sup-porting him as the Navy made arrangements to send him back to Nor-

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

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

"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,"

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

The weather has

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.

Senior Class of 1964 Reunite

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 occured throughout the day and evening, as the former classmates, coach and their wives relived old times that occured forty

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

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!.

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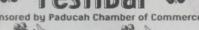
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Obituaries

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

children; fourteen great-grand-children; sister, Imogene Price, Canvon, Texas; sister-in-laws Belle & Nadine Davis of Turkey, Texas and several nieces and nephews.



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

But the really good news is that we received the go-ahead to open ourshowers! 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 showersare open (or will be in the next day) and the fire ban has been Come visit soon and enjoy

our seasonal park programs.

Deanna Oberheu 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 Mae Woods, Sylvia Ortiz May 7

ey Clay, Cindy Lane

May 8

Linda Stark, Wanda McKay, Paige Hughes, Jessi Messer, Guyretta Clinton, Del Ray House, Harold Ham, Bodey

Judy Barrett, Coy McKay, Bar-bara Mullin

Jaden Pigg, Dusty Rice, Joy Turner, Arnold Johson, Ofelila

Whitney Saul, Charmaine n, Lisa Beck May 12

Burson, Sandy Fuston

Tina Bearden, Cathy Purcell



May 7 Mr & Mrs James Cathey May 10 Mr & Mrs Jimmy Ross

May 11

May 12 Mr & Mrs G.P. Driskill

With 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)

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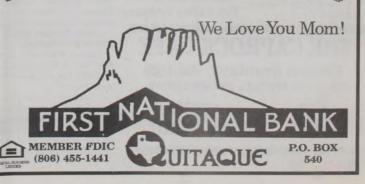
Humor is a great thing, the saving thing. The minute it crops up, all our irritations and resentments slip away and a sunny spirit takes their place.

-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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MOT NEWS

By Earlyne Jameson OVERHEARD

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Is there anything on earth more powerful and loving than a Mother's hug? Frankly, if anyone were to write a true job description for a Mother, no one would be brave enough to apply! No matter how you look at it, all Mothers are working Mothers.

Rainfall In April Keeps Motley County Above Average Precipitation For 2004

Spring rains have set the stage for a successful crop year, and farmers are now awaiting warmer temperatures before planting. With the preseason moisture we have, we are off to a very good start.

Although the mercury dipped below the freezing point Monday night into Tuesday morning April 12-13 most vegetation was spared damage. Basically, it was because of all the rains that we have had. Some of the Motley County National Weather Service Volunteers double checked April's rainfall, because the total registered for the month was surprising to them.

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Buzz Thacker, Roaring Springs- 4.87 inches, 2004 total-11.87; Betty Simpson, Northfield-4.95 inches, 2004 total-12.51; Kelly Meyer, Matador-3.56 inches, 2004 total-11.14; Jim Stockton, Whiteflat-2.95 inches, 2004 total-11.14; Jim Stockton, Whiteflat-2.95 inches, 2004

Attends Meeting
Mr. and Mrs. Furman Vinson attended the Red Cross of Constantine meeting held in Amarillo, Saturday. Only 700 members belong to this elite group. Furman has the honor of serving as second in seniority of the Crusader conclave. They returned home Sunday.

Mrs. C.W. Starkey returned home Sunday.

Home From Hospital

Mrs. C.W. Starkey returned home Wednesday from Mangold Hospital in Lockney. Her daughter, Mrs. Nola Long of Winnewood, Oklahoma is visiting her during her recuperation. Visiting them Thursday was her son, L.T. Starkey of Ralls.

Grandson Celebrates Birthday

Visiting in Midland Friday and Saturday with Mr. and Mrs. Cory Kendall and children, Chancey and Connor were his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Travis Kendall, brother and family, Mr. and Mrs. Tim Kendall, Jere and Jacob.

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The birthday of Connor was celebrated Saturday with a bowling arty and he and his friends had fun rolling balls down the bowling ley. He blew out his four candles on a Power Ranger decorated cake after opening his gifts.

Mr. and Mrs. J.W. Eubank of Farwell visited from Thursday until Saturday with daughter and family, Gina and Tim Shannon and Nellie Bly. They attended to business in Eastland Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Barclay visited in Lockney, Sunday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. S.D. Barclay and at Mangold Hospital with her grandmother, Mrs. Edith Washington.

Frances and Roger Lang of Endicott, New York arrived Saturday to visit her daughter and husband, Linda and Travis Kendall.

Louis Shorter of Mansfield, Mr. and Mrs. Everett Shorter and Mr. and Mrs. Clois Shorter attended Mrs. Salina Elliott's graduation when she was awarded her BA degree at Wayland Baptist University held at the Harral Auditorium in Plainview Saturday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Rogers and son, Donnie Rogers visited in Lubbock, Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Ronnie Rogers. En route home, they visited at Lockney Mangold Hospital with Mrs. Edith Washington.

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Coy Franks visited during the week in Dallas with ex-college roommate, Barry Pickett and attended to business.

Mr. and Mrs. Doyle Calvert and Glen Calvert visited in Dumas, Sunday with son and family, Alvia Joe Calvert. Other guests were Mr. and

Mrs. Justin Calvert of Amarillo. En route home, they visited in Quitaque with Mr. and Mrs. Dickie Cloyd of Memphis.
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Mr. and Mrs. Wilburn Martin, Mary Ellen "Dude" Barton and Mr. and Mrs. M.C. Jones enjoyed visiting relatives including Mrs. Judy Renfro and Mrs. Eugenia Barton at 70 Mile Garage Sale in Matador,



Well, it looks like winter has finally gone away...well, maybe. I really do enjoy the warm weather. I hope you are having a wonderful

Don't forget the National Day of Prayer at noon on Thursday. It will be a time of giving thanks and praying for our nation, our families

It was fun to meet the Power Parachuters. They are a nice bunch. We are sorry the weather did not cooperate though. They could not fly on Friday or Saturday. We think we might have heard then flying on

on Friday of Sautragy. We think we might have heard titlen lying on Sunday afternoon so we hope they got to fly some. Folks came from as far away as Iowa and Kansas and as close as Muleshoe. The Chamber did get to feed them cookies and ice cream.

The musical get-togethers have been really good at Faith Assembly. On Sunday, May 6, "Grammy & Pops" will be singing. That's our own John and Maebelle Francis. We are all in for a wonderful treat. Carolyn Stokes Chandler will also be there. On May 15, Fred Goldright will be entertaining. Come on out and enjoy the good Gospel. smith will be entertaining. Come on out and enjoy the good Gospel

It was a treat to drive out with Bud and Glenda Couch to the McWilliams Place on Sunday. You can see the magnificent hand of God as you look out over the beautiful canyon. The weather was perfect too. I don't know how anyone can complain when you see all the world God has given us.

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Did you know that 728,992 people got out to vote during the primary in Texas? There were 144,457 more Democrats who voted than Republicans. Looks like someone needs to get on the ball!!

Congratulations to Mr. & Mrs. Trevor Barker!! They tied the knot

Use Wheelchairs!

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Hospital regulations require a wheelchair for patients who are being discharged. However, while my friend was working as a student nurse, She found one elderly gentleman dressed and sitting on the bed with a suitcase at his feet who insisted he didn't need her help to leave the hospital. After a chat about rules being rules, he reluctantly let her wheel him to the elevator. On the way down, she asked if his wife was meeting him. "I don't know," he said. "She's still upstairs in the bathroom changing out of her hospital gown.



Something for every Mom on her very special day!

Happy Mothers Day!

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Corner

By Virginia Sailsbury

Warm, sunny days make it hard to drag yourself out of the garden and into the kitchen, and all of us eat later after daylight savings time, so here is a 30-Minute meal to satisfy hearty appetites without much kitchen time appetites Speaking of saving time, have you tried the new Reynold's Release Foil? I was skeptical about the advertising, but when I tried it-WOW! Nothing sticks to it-not caramel sticky buns, chicken, pork chops or anything I've ooked. Just remove it from the pan and toss. No messy pan to soak and clean. Try it!

Meat Loaf Hamburgers 1-1/2 pounds ground beef

cup sour cream 1-1/4 cups crushed cornflakes

tablespoon diced onion (How are you?) 8 TXism: "____ 1 teaspoon salt 4 teaspoon pepper

8 hamburger buns Tomato slices Lettuce leaves

In a large bowl, gently mix the first six ingredients; shape into eight patties. Grill, briol or pan-fry until the meat is no longer pink. Serve on buns with lettuce, tomato and your other favorite fixings. Makes 8 hamburgers.

Microwave German Potato Salad

2 pounds red potatoes, cooked and sliced 3 hard-cooked eggs, chopped

cup chopped onion

½ cup chopped celery 6 bacon strips, diced 2 tablespoons sugar 4 teaspoons flour

2 tablespoons vinegar 1/2 teaspoon salt

4 teaspoon pepper 3/4 cup milk

In a large bowl, combine potatoes, eggs, onion and celery; set aside. Place bacon in a microwave safe bowl; cover a with paper towel and microwave on high for 2 minutes. Stir. Microwave 3-4 minutes longer until the bacon is crisp, stirring after each minute. Remove bacon to paper towel to drain; reserve 2 tablespoons drippings. sugar, flour, vinegar, salt and pepper into the drippongs smooth; gradually milk. Microwave on high for 5-6 minutes, stirring every 2 minutes until thickened. Pour over potato mixture; toss. Top with bacon. Serve hot. Serves

Fruit-Topped Almond Cream 1 package(3.4 ounces) instant

vanilla pudding mix 1-1/2 cups cold milk l cup whipping cream 1/2teaspoon almond extract 3 cups assorted fruit (such as strawberries, grapes, berries, bananas or mandarin oranges) In a large mixing bowl, combine pudding mix and milk. Beat on low speed for 2 minutes; set aside. In a small mixing bowl, beat cream and extract until stiff peaks form. Fold into pudding, Spoon into a shallow 2 quart serving dish.

This recipe is fast to prepare, but needs to freeze at least 4 hours, so plan ahead.

Chill. Top with fresh fruit

mixture just before serving.

Spumoni Loaf l teaspoon vanilla ounces marshmallow

4 plain Hershey bars (1.55 oz. 1/2 cup chopped almonds 1/2 cup chopped maraschino

cherries 2 cups whipping cream, whipped

In a saucepan, combine milk and vanilla; stir marshmallow crème. Cook an stir over low heat until smooth. Cool. Stir in candy bars, almonds and cherries. Fold in whipped cream. Transfer to a ungreased 9x5x3 inch loaf pan. Freeze at least 4 hours. Remove from freezer 10 minutes before serving. Unmold and slice. Serves 10. God Bless America!

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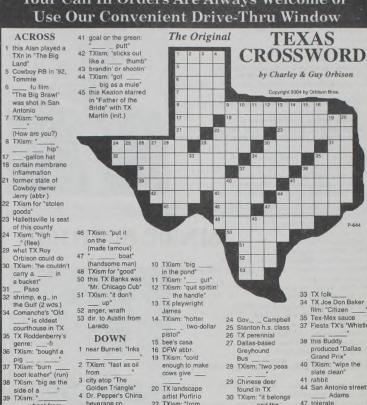
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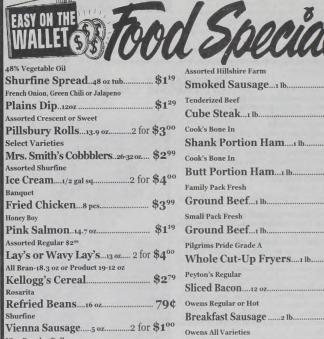


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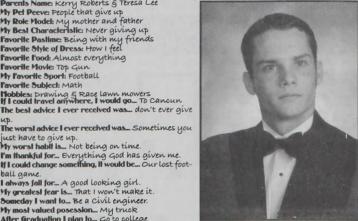
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Place of Birth: Lockney, TX
Parents Name: Kerry Roberts & Teresa Lee
My Pet Peeve: People that give up
My Robe Model: My mother and father
My Best Characteristic Never giving up
Favorite Pasiline: Being with my friends
Favorite Flyte of Dress: How I feel
Favorite Mode: Top Gun
My Favorite Sport: Football
Favorite Subject: Math
Itobbies: praving & Race Lawn mowers

Hobbles: 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

just have to give up. My worst habit is... Not being on time. I'm Hankful for... Everything God has given me.

If I could change something, Il would be... Our lost foot-

If I could change someming, it would be ball game.
I always fall for... A good looking girl.
My greatest fear is... That I won't make it.
Someday I want lo... Be a civit engineer.
My most valued posession... My truck
After Graduation I plan lo... Go to college



SENIOR SPOTLIGHT

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ne: Ramiro Ramos, Jr

Age: 19 Birthdate: 02-24-85

Place of Birth: Uvalde, TX Parents Name: Ramira & Maria Ramos My Pel Peeve: People who wear baseball hats with no

my per perceive repute who wear cased orease on the bill.

My Role Model: My parents
My Best Characteristic ~
Favorite Pastime: Playing baseball
Favorite Byte of Dress: Casual
Favorite Food: Carne Guisada
Favorite Movel: Scarface
My Envorte Ropel: Raceball

My Favorile Sport: Baseball
Favorile Spubject: Baseball
Favorile Subject: Baseball
Hobbles: Collecting cards
Il could fravel anywhere, I would go... To the Taj ma

The best advice I ever received was... Dow'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 hun-

ger
I always fall for... A pretty smile 5 pretty eyes.
My greatest fear is... being a failure.
Someday I want io... To be a happy family man.
My most valued posession... My family.
After Graduation I plan io...Go to school and get a great job.



Name: Juan Regalado Age: 17 Birthdale: 07-11-1986

SENIOR SPOTLIGHT

Birthdate 07-11-1986
Place of Birth: Guanajuato, Mexico
Parents Name: Leo & Vicky Regalado
My Pel Peeve: Stupid people
My Role Models My parents
My Best Characteristic: I talk to everyone.
Favorile Paslime: Chill with friends (girtfriends)
Favorile Style of Dress: Dow't have one
Favorile Food: Caw't decide, I love food.
Favorile Movie: X-Men
My Favorile Sport: Football
Favorile Subject: Math
Hobbles: Talk on the phone, listen to music, tak.

Mobbles: Talk on the phone, listen to music, take

naps g eat. If I could travel anywhere, I would go... To Hawaii The best advice I ever received was... Don't ever give

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, II would be... My mistakes I always fall for... Beautiful, down-to-earth girls.
My greatest fear is... Heights
Someday I want lo... Have a big family, lots of friends and nice rides.

and nice rides.

My most valued posession... My intelligence, my

family 5 friends.

After Graduation I plan to... go to college, get a career,



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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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SCHOOL LUNCH MENU

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Tuesday, May 11 Breakfast: Waffles, Syrup, age, 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

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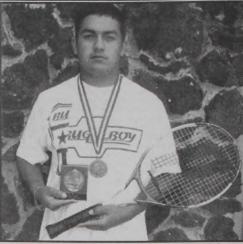
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Two Day Horsemanship **School For Area Youth**

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

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 de-pending on the total class size.



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

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

Francisco Rodriquez, 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 run-

ner-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 fro 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

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.

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PRE-K REGISTRATION FOR THE 2004-2005 SCHOOL YEAR WILL BE WEDNESDAY MAY 12, 2004. FROM 1:00-3:00 P.M. PLEASE BRING BIRTH CERTIFICATE, SHOT RECORD AND SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER. NEEDS TO BE 4 YRS. OLD BY SEPTEMBER 1, 2004.

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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 Rodriquez 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

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

Teams competing this year included; Dairy Products

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 $1^{\rm st}$ in District and $2^{\rm nd}$ in Area 1.

The Agricultural Mechanics team of Juan Regalado, Frankie Rodriquez, 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 Bryant Ortiz, Hector Cruz and Jake Gass made up the Cotton

Bryant Ortiz, Hector Cruz and Jake Gass made up the Cotton Grading team that finished 1th in District and 3th in the Area. Dairy Cattle judgers 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 Larrissa 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 3nd individually out of 282 contestants. In the Poultry contest Whittington placed 15th and Varnell 29th out of 454.

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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 3th 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 2th Regalado lead the team with a 4th place individual effort while Rodriquez placed 7th and Mendoza 8th. The Dairy Products bunch placed 2th lead by K. Pigg in 2th and M. Ramsey in 6th. The Poultry team placed 3th and selad by Whittington who placed 8th. The Dairy Products team placed 2th 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

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



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

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 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 had

tion. 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 be-

Juannah Jennings Cancer Survivor Silverton, Texas

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Preliminary WTO Report Sparks Industry Outcry

U.S. farmers have reacted with an expected level of outrage and frustration to press reports generated from recently leaked highlights of a World Trade Organization (WTO) panel's preliminary ruling in a case brought against the U.S. cotton program by Brazil.

The panel, which is apparently set to decide that a large part of the

U.S. cotton program oversteps the levels of support allowed by the current WTO agreement, released it preliminary report to both U.S. and Brazilian officials on April 26.

The preliminary report is supposed to be kept confidential so that

both parties have an opportunity to review the panel's findings, submit comments and request changes to the final document.

Initial reaction in the U.S. has been both forceful and to the point.

The cotton industry and the Bush Administration have been quick to point out that current U.S. farm policy is written to specifically fit within the WTO rules and limits agreed to during the negotiation process.

Administration officials have also said it is their intention to seek

changes to the panel's findings, and if necessary, appeal the decision to the fullest extent possible.

In Congress, and elsewhere, observers are also coming to the un-comfortable realization that the WTO decision, if allowed to dictate

U.S. policy, amounts to the giving away of at least a portion of this nations sovereignty and ability to carry out internal policy to others.

The big question on the minds of U.S. cotton growers, as well as growers of other program crops, is what effect will the WTO panel's decision between the control of the program crops. decision have on them. The answer is not an easy one to figure out.

Short term, U.S. growers will likely see very little, if any, effect on the way they do business or in the way U.S. farm programs are administered and delivered.

Longer term, the potential effects are simply too diverse, and the

mechanics that will determine them to numerous, to even begin sp

The key thing to remember is that, whatever the WTO report says, the timetable for any impact to U.S. farm programs or future trade deals will most likely be measured in years not months.

2003-Crop Upland Cotton Weighted Average Farm Price Through March 2004

The 2003 counter-cyclical payment rate authorized under the 2002 Farm Bill will be based on the 12-month Weighted Average Price Received by growers. For cotton the 12-month Weighted Average Price will reflect price and bales marketed for the 2003 marketing year. The 2003 cotton marketing year began in August 1, 2003 and ends July 31,

The following table shows the average price received each month by farmers and the associated weighted average price based on cumulative bales marketed through March 2004.

Average Price Received Through March 2004 For 2003-crop Upland Cotton (Weighted by bale Bales Marketed

	(000's of Running bales)		(cents/Lb.)	
	Monthly	Cum.	Monthly	Weighted
August	420	420	46.30	46.30
September	769	1,189	55.70	52.38
October	1,783	2,972	68.00	61.75
November	1,912	4,884	63.40	62.40
December	1,938	6,822	64.10	62.88
January	1,546	8,368	62.50	62.81
February	1,422	9,790	62.70	62.79
March	167	9,957	59.40	62.74
April	na	na	59.50*	na
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High Plains Planting Season Set To Begin; Producers Look For good

Excellent subsoil moisture and warming soil temperatures are add-ing fuel to the normal calendar induced anticipation felt by cotton pro-

ducers across the High Plains.

With those hardy few that always seem to get a little bit of seed in the ground before May 1 getting started, the bulk of the producers on the High Plains are quickly wrapping up last minute preparations and getting ready to kick off the 2004 growing season. It is estimated that the High Plains will plant 3.5-3.75 million acres in 2004. It appears that an estimated 100,000 acre increase projected

early in the year for the northern panhandle will not materialize. Cotton acreage is still expected to increase and total 50,000-60,000 acres.

The decision to plant fewer cotton acres in this newly developing production area is being influenced by stronger grain prices and a downturn in cotton prices over the past couple of months.

For growers in the res of the High Plains, cotton will continue to be the crop of choice. Higher than normal winter rainfall puts the area in an excellent subsoil moisture situation going in.

As is always the case, however, warm days and steady spring winds are mightly draine that too layer of soil and most producers agree they.

are quickly drying the top layer of soil and most producers agree they will need another rain to get the 2004 crop started off right.

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Barton Place at the Family Land Heritage ceremony in Austin. Barton Place in Motley County was being honored for their acceptance into the Family Land Heritage Program. Barton Place has been in continuous agricultural production since 1903 by the same

BARTON PLACE

Motley County

Seventeen miles north of Matador.

A.L. Barton was born in South Carolina, but in 1854 he moved with his family to Texas in search of a better life. His wife's name was Mollie Moreland Barton, and the couple had three children - Clayton, Wilburn Burr and Sam. On July 9, 1903, A.L. purchased 640 acres from John A. Thatcher. The family raised cattle and readily supported local churches and other community activities. A.L. also served as foreman of the F Ranch for Charles Goodnight and others for over 30 years.

In 1904, Wilburn Burr acquired the land from his father. In the early years he raised cattle, but by 1918 much of the grass was plowed up and crops were planted to aid in the World War I effort. Wilburn Burr and his wife, Ella Etta Orr Barton, were active in the local community. The couple had eight children – Opal, Millard, Eliza, Allie, Clayton, Mollie, France and Mary Ellen.
In 1956, Opal acquired 320 acres of the original plot. Opal along with

her husband, Wade A. Martin Jr., raised cotton, maize, cattle and wheat. They upgraded the land with terraces and practiced crop rotation and onservation measures to keep the land viable. The couple had four children Wilburn Zearl, Herbert, Allie Onita and Waydetta. In later years, they rented the land to Waydetta and her husband, Ronald Clay.

Waydetta and Ronald own the family place today. They have built terraces, cross-fenced and planted grass to conserve the productivity of the land. They have also built corrals and dug four water wells for cattle and are actively

engaged in running the property.

Acres in original parcel: 640. Original acres held today: 320. Crops or livestock raised: 1903 – Cattle; 2003 – Cattle, wheat and hay.

Memory of "Fish" Wilson **Honored At Drag Roping**

Burleson Arena in Flomot, Texas was the scene of the 18th Drag Steer Roping, Saturday and Sunday, April 24 and 25. Long time fan for all the ropers Maynard "Fish" Wilson was honored with a Memoart and the ropers Mayhard Fish Wilson was nonored with a Memorial Wreath and a moment of silence in tribute for the many years he attended and supported the "Ropers". "Fish" passed away in January and would have been 96 years old in February.

Members of the I.S.R.A. were present to compete for prizes along with spurs & bits, made by Tom Whitacre of Canyon. Winners also

received a saddle pad from the saddle pad factory in Quitaque, Texas. The I.S.R.A. divides the membership into two categories. Group

"A" are ropers who have won more money through the season and low money winners fall into Group "B".

On Saturday 14 ropers competed in Group "A" for high money, a pair of horse bits and a saddle blanket. This went to the top competitor of the day, Trey Quinn of Weatherford, Texas. In Group "B" competition, Tim Mansfield, Groom, Texas, received high m saddle blanket.

saddle blanket.

On Sunday morning the Senior I.S.R.A. members always compete first. This group of "Seniors" have alot of fun competing with each other for "Bragging Rights!" Sunday's Senior winners were Rocky Garnett of McAlester, Oklahoma and Tony Yoakum of Vernon, Texas. Their prizes were bits and spurs made by Tom Whitacre.

In the I.S.R.A. Sunday "A" Roping Mike Chase of Beloit, Kansas garnered the fastest time in the average. Jody Duggan of Snyder, Texas had the fastest time in the average for the I.S.R.A. "B" Roping.

Larry Dugan, saddle maker from Canyon, donated a horse breast collar that was given to Mike chase, high money winner of the week-

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Salty Jones was the barrier judge for the ropings and Rocky Garnet furnished the stock for all six ropings.

Combs Cautions Producers About Pesticide Phone Sales

Agriculture Commissioner Susan Combs recently advised farmers and ranchers to be cautious when dealing with solicitors peddling pesticide products over the phone. The Texas Department of Agriculture has already heard from producers who have been contacted at their homes by telephone marketers offering products for the start of the

"Legitimate pesticide dealers may call to see what you're going to need this year, but most don't initiate sales through telemarketing," combs said. "Products that are pushed over the phone are usually touted as more concentrated, more effective or just cheaper. In many cases, producers who take up the offer end up very disappointed."

Combs noted that TDA frequently gets calls from pesticide applications who are upharmed to the production of the prod

s who are unhappy after purchasing products over the p some instances, the product is not registered for use in Texas. Taking extra time to know what you are buying can prevent headaches and possible violations of state pesticide laws.
"The best advice is to buy pesticide products from your local licensed

dealer." Combs said. "These are folks who can answer all your questions regarding a product's safe use, its effectiveness and its success in your particular area.

Combs advised applicators to follow some precautionary steps if they choose to deal with telephone marketers:

* Ask if the product is registered with TDA
* Ask if the product label requires the applicator to be licensed be-

fore purchasing or using the product.

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Final Reporting Date For Fall Seeded Crops

May 17, 2004 is the final reporting date for fall seeded crops. The farm owner, operator or person authorized by power of attorney is required to file an accurate crop and acreage report for all cropland on the farm for DCP, market assistance loan, NAP, CRP, and LDP benefits. Correctly and timely reporting crop acreage is not only required, but it is to your benefit as seen in the last farm program that allowed for updated crop bases. If you are not sure of your acreages, you may request a measurement service for your acres. Please call the Hall County Farm Service Agency for an appointment.

Final Date For Cotton Loans

CCC cotton loans and LDP's are available from the date loan rates are annnounced through May 31 after the calendar year in which the crop is planted. Producers are reminded that May 31 is the final date for 2003 cotton loans. CCC loans can be obtained for a nine month period, which gives producers flexibility on the disposition of their crop. If May 31 falls on a nonworkday, the fianl date shall be the next work-

Is The U.S. Cotton Trade Distorting The Global Cotton Trade?

The president of the Texas Farm Bureau said today that the World Trade Organization's preliminary ruling for Brazil and against the U.S. in a cotton trade dispute was "disappointing." The WTO's ruling is the first step in what could be a long process to determine if payments to U.S. cotton farmers violate international trade rules.

Kenneth Dierschke, a cotton farmer from San Angelo and head of the state's largest farm organization said, "We support the U.S. position that payments to farmers are not linked directly to production and therefore do not distort the global cotton trade."

If a nation is found in violation of WTO rules and does not take corrective action, other nations may impose tariffs on all goods im-

ported from the country in violation.

"Farm Bureau is concerned that an adverse ruling could jeopardize the U.S. farm program and its role in protecting America's supply of food and fiber," Dierschke said.

Dierschke noted that members of the U.S. Congress and the Bush

administration have issued strong statements in favor of current U.S

"All that farmers ask for is a level playing field," Dierschke said.
"Brazil has status as a developing nation under WTO, and yet is becoming an agricultural superpower. We are concerned that Brazil has

The documents submitted by the U.S. said, "U.S. farm programs were designed to be and are fully consistent with the nation's WTO obligations." The U.S. will appeal if the ruling, set for June, goes against

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May 1, 1718 The mission San Antonio de

Valero was founded. It later became known as the Alamo.

May 2, 1849

The first trail was established between Waco and El Paso. This

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The newspaper "Gaceta de Texas" was published in Nacogdoches. Although there was only one issue printed, it was the first newspaper in Texas.

May 3, 1997
Five of the separatist "Republic of Texas" members, including the

leader, surrendered to state au-thorities in the Davis Mountains,

ending a seige that had began

May 3, 1863
The Union Navy attempted another raid on Confederate soldiers

at the Sabine Pass and were unsuccessful.

May 4, 1900 The Avalanche, a weekly newspaper, was started in Lubbock by at-

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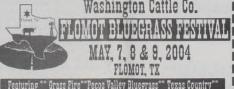
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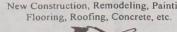


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TURKE Y TALK By Martha Bradshaw

Betty House and Rita Guest went to Junction last week for a few days. Beth Mills from Esteline met them there. They spent the day's playing cards and visiting. The drive was beautiful with all the wild

Jimmy Robertson visited Dessie Mae Robertson or the day this week. They went out to eat.

Tom Eudy went to the Dr. in Plainview last week and got a good

Gail Hanna and Izell Proctor went to Quitaque Saturday for Mindy Proctor's wedding shower (Lowell and Sue's granddaughter). Alvin and Georgia spent Saturday afternoon visiting Izell.

There were 157 people at the Jamboree Saturday night. Clifton Stodghill of Silverton introduced some good friends of his from Lockney, Joe and Dean Givens, 80 years young celebrating their 4th week of marriane at the Jamboree.

veek of marriage at the Jamboree. David Driskill from Canyon spent Monday with his parents, G.P.&

an army experiment to map the desert areas of Texas and pursue Betty Driskill.

Ben & Freddy Jo House of Vanderort, AR and Edith Cooper of Lockney visited with Gladys Hanna Monday. Gladys also got word Tuesday that her sister-in-law Jerry Hanna, Clifton Hanna's wife, Apr. 30, 1803
The Louisiana Territory was purchased from France. This allowed American Anglos to inch futher west toward Mexican Texas.

passed away Monday about 11:00 p.m. in Wichita,Kansas. Nadine drove Belle Davis to Plainview Monday for a doctors appointment.

Marie Cruse spent Wednesday to Friday in Justin,Texas visiting with her children and grandchildren.

Belle Davis & G.P. and Betty Driskill went to Plainview Tuesday.

Tommie Jo & Marie Cruse were in Rockcreek Sunday & Monday

Vickie Lindsey helped her grandson Bodey Lange celebrate his 4th birthday Saturday, May 1st at his home in Tulia. Bodey is the son of Samantha & Cade Lange. Spiderman was the theme and what a fun time Bodey had with his little friends. His other grandparents Scotty

& Sandia Stark also attended. & Sandia Stark also attended.

Gerald & Pat Carnes, and L.V.Thrasher of Turkey, Ray Thrasher from Lubbock, L.C. & Jane Thrasher from New Berlin, Wis., Kimber Carnes, Dan Sommus & new son Preston, (born April 19,2004) of Amarillo, Russ , Karen and Cody Yates of Turkey, Travis, Shell, Jennifer, Danny & Kortne Carnes were all together over the week-end for the first time in 2 years. The group also celebrated two birthdays with cake & gifts, Grandpa Travis' on May 2nd. and Jennifer's on May ard. Gerald & Pat took L.C. & Jane to the Turkey Jamboree Saturday night and they said they "we didn't know Turkey had anything like that-it was so good." When they come home for a visit, they always go back thru Branson and take in 3 or 4 shows. They were not aware that Turkey had this caliber of good entertainment & they were looking forward of coming back.

Jim Kalafus of Turkey was the keynote speaker at a gathering of the Titanic Society. Jim.s Book will be going to the printers in July.

Rich Kalafus made a quick trip to Spur on business Tuesday. Mona Borchardt & J.Larry Nelson of Tulia come by to see Nadine Davis on their way back from Garland. They attended funeral services for Nerene Crump on May 3,2004.

THINGS THAT MAKE YOU GO HMMM... BY: LAURA TAYLOR

* Can you cry under water? * If money doesn't grow on trees, then why do banks have branches?

* Since bread is square, then why is sandwich meat round?

* Why do you have to "put your two cents in"... but it's only a "penny" for your thoughts"? Where's that extra penny going to?

* Why does a round pizza come in a square box?

* What did cured ham actually have?

* How is it that we put man on the moon before we figured out it would be a good idea to put wheels on luggage?

* Why is it that people say they "slept like a baby" when babies wake up every two hours?

* If a deaf person has to go to court, is it still called a hearing? * If you drink Pepsi at work in the Coke factory, will they fire you?

* Why are you IN a movie, but your ON TV?

* Why do people pay to go up tall buildings and then put money in binoculars to look at things on the ground?

* How come we choose from just two people for President and fifty

for Miss America? * If a 911 operator has a heart attack, whom does he/she call? HMMM....

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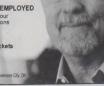
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