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Elects Officers

Turkey Fire Dept. Plans Christmas Fun

The Turkey Volunteer Fire Department met Tuesday night in a regular meeting. Election of new officers was one item of business and the following officers were elected:
Fire chief, Rex Fuston; resist chief, Lowell Proctor; president, Russell Yates; vice-president, Gary Clinton; secretary-treasurer and fire marshal, Jerry Landry; hose captains, Danny Stewart and Tommy Beck; Fire police, Billy Farley and Albert Green; tailtwister, Melvin Clinton; reporter, Jerry Smith.
The department finalized their Christmas plans and Santa will be available for children to have their pictures made with him. He will be at Lacy's Dry Goods on December 16 from 11 a.m. until 3 p.m. All parents are encouraged to bring their children and have their pictures made with Santa.
Santa Claus will visit the young boys and girls on the

night of Christmas Eve. Persons that are interested in Santa stopping at your house please contact a member of the fire department and give the number of boys and girls and the ages of these children.
The fire department is still accepting donations for this Christmas project. Your donations may be left at the City Hall, Turkey Branch of the Memphis State Bank or any member of the fire department.

Love Fund Set For Ruth McKay

A Love Fund has been established at the Turkey Branch of the Memphis State Bank of Turkey for Mrs. Ruth McKay, longtime resident of Turkey.
Mrs. McKay is a stroke victim patient at Parkland Hospital in Dallas. She is in room 833.

Disaster Loans For Farmers

The Division of Emergency Management, of the Texas Department of Public Safety has notified the office of Briscoe County Judge Jimmy Burson that Briscoe County has been designated eligible for emergency disaster loans by the Secretary of Agriculture.
The Secretary of Agriculture has also notified the Administrator of the Farmers Home Administration to immediately make emergency loans available to eligible applicants in Briscoe County.

Those producers suffering losses from excessive rainfall, flooding, high winds, and/or hail between April 29 and May 17, 1989 and/or from May 29 through June 15, 1989 could be eligible.
For more information or details on this program, contact the local Farmers Home Administration office.



Tina Clay



Chad Isbell



Andrea Hinojosa

Three Valley Students Listed In Who's Who

Three students from Valley High School have been included in the 23rd Annual Edition of Who's Who Among American High School Students, 1988-89.

Tina Clay, daughter of Joe Ike and Anna Beth Clay; Andrea Hinojosa, daughter of Tomas and Sara Hinojosa; and Chad Isbell, son of Lavon and Thelma Gafford are the three Valley students listed in the 12 regional volume publication, which features 584,000, or 5 percent of the nation's 12,000,000 high school students.

Who's Who, published by Educational Communications, Inc., Lake Forest Illinois, is the largest high school recognition publication in the country. Students are nominated by high school principals and guidance counselors, national youth groups, churches or by the publishing company based upon students' performance in scholarship award contests or extracurricular activities.

Students are selected for this honor by their college deans or registrars and must be in the upper 10 percent of their class, on their school's Dean List, or have earned a comparable honor.
Listed students are eligible to compete for \$25,000 in scholarship awards funded by the publisher and may be also used as a referral service for future employment opportunities. More than 2,500 colleges and universities nationwide use the publication to recognize their academically qualified students.

Booster Club Shares Story Of Spirit, Love, And Pride

The following story was written by Kerry Cole and mailed the the Valley Booster Club after receiving a donation from our local boosters to help with Stacy's expenses.

broken vertebra in his neck, an injury that occurred during the Bulldog's first game of the season.
He had a one-day pass from the Dallas Rehabilitation Institute Friday and felt no indecision as to how to use it. He wanted to be on the sidelines of a Wylie football game.

motivating me to work harder," Stacy said between visits with classmates he hasn't seen in weeks. "I'm just glad I got to come."
Wylie Coach Hugh Sandifer said Stacy's presence made his team complete.
"It means a great deal to

Valley FFA To Have Turkey Shoot

The Valley FFA will host a Turkey Shoot Sunday, December 17, 1989 beginning at 1 p.m. The Shoot will be held at the Memphis Compress in Turkey.
Turkeys and spare ribs will be awarded as prizes.
All area shooters are welcomed to participate.

Two Students Added To National Dean's List

Two students from this area are among the 116,000 students included in the 12th Annual Edition of the National Dean's List just published

Toys For Tots Turkey Fire Department

Illustration of a child with a toy

Stacy Kirk felt the apprehension that accompanies any football player on a Friday night in autumn.
He had trouble sleeping Thursday night, and by about 6 p.m. Friday, he and his teammates began to get excited.
But Stacy wasn't gearing up to play football.
Stacy, a Wylie High School junior, is recovering from a

Stacy was in high spirits as he sat in the passenger's seat of his own pickup truck on the sideline of the Clyde High School football stadium, talking to a host of well-wishers and cheering on his teammates.
"It feels great to get out of the hospital, and this is

Love Fund Set For E. L. Hill

A Love Fund has been established at the Turkey Branch of the Memphis State Bank in Turkey for E. L. Hill, long time resident of Turkey.
Mr. Hill has been recently re-diagnosed and will be admitted to M. D. Anderson Hospital in Houston.
Donations may be made at the bank or mailed to P.O. box 158, Turkey, Texas 79261.

Love Fund Set For Wilson Boys

A Love Fund has been established for the sons of the late Don and Anna Wilson. Brad Wilson is a sophomore at Motley High School and J.D. lives in Lubbock.
Donations may be made at the First State Bank in Matador or at City Grocery in Roaring Springs.
Mr. and Mrs. Wilson died recently at their home in Roaring Springs of gunshot wounds, of which has been ruled a murder-suicide.

Area Happenings

Methodists Plan Christmas Musical

The Valley United Methodist Youth Fellowship will be presenting a Christmas musical, "A Long Time Ago" by Carmen, Sunday night, December 17, 6 p.m. at First United Methodist Church in Turkey.
Refreshments will be served after the program in Fellowship Hall. The public is welcome to attend.

David Brunson Seeking Re-Election

Briscoe County Justice of the Peace David Brunson has announced his bid for reelection to the office of Justice of the Peace during the Democratic Party Primary to be held March 13, 1990.
Brunson of Quitaque has served in his current position for the past three years.

Bess McWilliams Announces Candidacy

Bess McWilliams has announced her candidacy for reelection for the offices of County and District Clerk for Briscoe County.
Phyllis Becker and Janice Hill made their announcements for the upcoming election last week.

Coker Bids Re-Election

U. F. Coker, of Turkey, has announced his bid for reelection for Hall County Commissioner Precinct 4.
He has served in that office for the past three years.

Judge Burson Tosses Hat In Political Ring

Briscoe County Judge Jimmy Burson has announced his candidacy in the upcoming Democratic Primaries. Burson was appointed to the position of County Judge of Briscoe County by the County Commissioners following the recognition of Judge Jimmy Ross, and is bidding for election to the office.

Christmas Program To Be December 17

Combined adult choirs of the Quitaque and Turkey United Methodist Churches will present a Christmas Cantata, "Celebrate the Child," in the morning worship services Sunday, December 17, 9:30 a.m. in Turkey; 11 a.m. in Quitaque.
The Public is welcome to attend.

As I See It!

By Thelma Gafford

The sights and sounds of Christmas were everywhere to be found in Quitaque last Saturday as the 1st Annual Country Christmas got underway. The mood was perfect, as was the weather, not to mention the tremendous crowd of participants and shoppers. I was asked by several visitors if this was going to be an annual thing YES, it most certainly will! Businesses received a boost in sales, and I think a lot of locals were really surprised to see just what could be found and purchased right here at home. So whoever thought this idea up, hats off to you and the many people who pulled together to make it such a huge success.

Does anyone in the area have a bare Christmas tree? I don't mean the decorations, I'm talking presents! My family is wondering if we're the only ones.

The Kindergarten class at Valley will be performing their annual Christmas play next Wednesday afternoon. This is really quite a project for those little people, not to mention Mrs. Lemons. The public is invited.

Valley School will dismiss classes at 1 p.m. Thursday, December 21 for the Christmas holidays. They will remain on vacation until Tuesday, January 2, 1990. Now, before you ask, school personnel cannot be fired because of this! It's just one of those things we parents have to learn to live with.
See ya, happy shopping.

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Vailey FHA Has Annual Party

The Valley FHA is getting into the Christmas Spirit by having their annual Christmas party. The evening began with appetizers at the Stephens home, where chips, dips, and vegetables were served. Next the Seniors and Juniors went to the Connors home to dine on lasagna while the

Sophomore and Freshmans headed for the Clay's residence to feast on sour cream enchiladas. Then all met in the Home-Ec room for dessert and to have Christmas. Even though some didn't come out with what they really wanted and others did, we all had a great time.

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Obituaries

Jimmy Stockton

Jimmy Sherrell Stockton, 31, died Saturday, December 9, 1989. Services were held at 10 a.m. Monday, December 12 in First Baptist Church with the Rev. Jess Little, pastor, officiating. Burial was in Resthaven Cemetery. Arrangements were conducted by Schooler-Gordon Funeral Home.

Mr. Stockton, born in Matador, was a resident of Stafford. He was a former resident of Quitaque. He graduated from Texas Tech University and was a geologist with Ensearch Oil Company at Houston.

He was preceded in death by his mother, Patsy Eddleman Stockton who died March 21, 1977.

Survivors include his father, Freddy Stockton of Childress; grandmother, Mattie Olivia Stockton of Quitaque and Lucille Eddleman of Silverton; two sisters, Paula Miller of Littlefield and Freda Hughes of Childress; two nieces and nephews.

Memorials may be made to the American Cancer Society.

Calendar Events

December 14
 EMT Meeting
 Caprock Camera Club
 Sr. Citizens Luncheon

December 15
 Breakfast CANCELLED

December 18
 Quitaque Lions Club

December 19
 Valley Ext. Homemakers
 Turkey Fire Department
 Turkey Senior Citizens

December 21
 Triple L Club
 First Day of Winter
 School dismissed at 1 p.m. for Christmas Holidays.

Silverton Resident Receives \$1,000 Scholar

Silverton resident Kristy Fogerson, 21, has received a \$1,000 animal science educational scholarship for her work in the collegiate 4-H program.

Fogerson was one of four 4-Hers to receive national 4-H animal science scholarships, courtesy of Continental Grain Company. The winners were selected by the Cooperative Extension System.

As part of her 4-H work, she directed modeling practice and coordinated county fashion shows, organized clown workshops for pre-school children and conducted a rabies clinic.

Fogerson is a senior at Texas A&M University majoring in animal science.

Reward Offered In Murder Case

Crosbyton-The Crosby County Crime Line and Ince Oil Co. officials in Lubbock are offering a \$1,000 reward for information leading to the arrest and indictment of whoever is responsible for the Friday shooting death of Mary Sinor, 57.

Law officials were continuing to search for clues in the death of Mrs. Sinor, who was found shot to death at about 2 p.m. Friday at a convenience store on U. S. 82 about three blocks east of the town

square. Mrs. Sinor, who managed the convenience store and was a resident of the Baker community, was shot one time between the eyes.

Crosby County Sheriff Red Riley said Monday afternoon that his staff, Crosbyton Police Chief Norman Luker and Texas Ranger Joe Hunt are continuing to seek and talk with anyone who was in or near the store before the shooting.

Remember the toy and cash donations needed for the Turkey Volunteer Fire Department

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

December 14: Jamie Taylor, Valerie Cantu, Gelene Proctor, Gloria Majors

December 15: Vera Woods, Micah Stark, Amy Stark, Julie Cruz, Audra House, Linda Ferguson, Jan Turner

December 16: Norris McCoy, Wilma Eudy, Randy Lacy, Brent Wade Ferguson

December 17: Ruth Ann Scrivner, Chlorene Melton, Jerry Beck, Joe Wayne Fuston, Beatrice Mullin, Mary Loury

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December 14: Mr. and Mrs. Allen Brummett, Mr. and Mrs. Rufus Butler, Mr. and Mrs. Warren Payne

December 15: Mr. and Mrs. Terry Bomar

December 17: Mr. and Mrs. Bob Dvoak

December 18: Mr. and Mrs. Ike Ferguson

December 19: Mr. and Mrs. Jack Figg, Mr. and Mrs. Dick Taylor

December 20: Mr. and Mrs. Manuel Cruz

December 21: Mr. and Mrs. Monte Stephens, Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Pointer, Mr. and Mrs. Weldon Purcell

School-Community S.A.F.E. Committee Report

There are an estimated 10-12 million alcoholics in the United States today. Out of that number 3.3 million of those are under the age of 17. Almost 1/3 of this nation's alcoholics are our children-our future. This information is given to you by our local S.A.F.E. Committee. (Substance Abuse Free Environment).

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CARD OF THANKS

We want to thank all of the women who contributed their time and baked goods for the Caprock Country Christmas. The spirit of the season was wonderful because of the united efforts made for the big day. We the Women

A new leadership lodge opened recently at the Texas Agricultural Extension Service's 4-H Center near Brownwood.

The leadership lodge will be used primarily to house adult leaders who come to the center for training, workshops, recreation and other educational programs to develop and enhance leadership skills, according to Curtis Preston, 4-H coordinator for the Texas Agricultural Extension Service.

"We will be able to accommodate a larger clientele with a facility that offers more privacy," said Lynn Copeland, director of the Texas 4-H Center.

The lodge has 24 rooms, four of which are designed for people with disabilities, for overnight accommodation, Preston said. It also contains a commons area where refreshments are located and group activities can be held.

Other groups besides the Texas Agricultural Extension Service can use the center. The center has 10 dormitories, a main complex, a pavilion on the lake and other units, according to Preston.

Among those participating in the grand opening ceremony included former Texas Governor Dolph Briscoe, Dr. Zerle Carpenter, director of the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, Dr. Robert Jones, president of the Texas 4-H Youth Development Foundation and Copeland.

Progress in Plastics

A plastic film about four times thicker than a heavy-duty garbage bag provided months of temporary space and shelter for earthquake relief workers and victims in the frozen mountains of Armenia. The news-making rescue work hinged in part on a Union Carbide technology for making *flexomers*.

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 Your vote and support in the coming election will be greatly appreciated.
 Jimmy Burson
PD, Pol. Adv. PD. For By Jimmy Burson

Walter Taylor Honored With 70th Birthday Party

Walter Taylor was honored with a surprise birthday party attended by friends and family. His children, Walter Wayne Taylor, Lynette Barefield, Glen Roger Taylor and Anna Jean Taylor planned and hosted the surprise party held Wednesday, November 29, 1989, at the Community Center.

Following a delicious catered barbecue dinner, well-wishers sang Happy Birthday and enjoyed reading the many cards Walter had received. One special gift was a copy of his father's diary dated around 1910.

Friends and family in attendance were Coleen Taylor, Walter and Kathy Taylor, Jeremy, Jamie and Christopher, Glen and Cissy Taylor, Sandy, Angela and Misty; Fish Wilson; Dick and Opal Taylor; Rhonda Cochran, Justin and Mandy; Gary and Lorna Powell, and Randi Brooke; Sid and

Eunice McFall; and Buck and Ann Chadwick.

Out of town guests included Phil and Lynette Barefield, Mark and Debra; Booger and Garnie Taylor; Lenora Karnes; Eula Merrell; Joe and Virginia Taylor; J. T. and Johnnie Rogers; John Preston and Joyce Taylor.



The first Christmas ornaments were made in the storybook village of Lauscha, Germany.



William Bradley Cheatham

Dane and Lynn Cheatham of Pilot Point, Texas are proud to announce the birth of their son, William Bradley Cheatham, born November 15, 1989 at 1 p.m. in Denton, Texas. He weighed seven pounds, four ounces and was 20 inches long. He joins his big sister, Amanda Rene.

Grandparents are Gabrielle Roland of Dimmitt and Phyllis Cheatham of Quitaque.

Stacy Kirk

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our team for the simple reason that it's the first time since September 8 that we've had our whole team intact," he said. "A lot of people probably never thought he would come back to a game like this."

"It means a lot to our kids, after all he's been through and the dedication and drive he's shown. We don't have it as hard as we think we do sometimes."

Wylie Principal Nick Pruitt said Stacy's attitude has inspired the school and all those associated with it.

"When somebody goes up against adversity and fights the exercising."

"I'm getting letters and cards from people every day, and sometimes people just call and we get to talk a little while, and it sure feels good," he said.

Watching, instead of playing, the game didn't seem to bother him, and he said it encouraged him to work even harder.

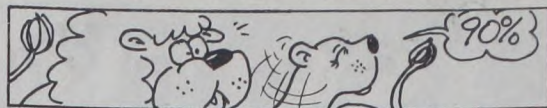
"I miss football," he said as he sat on the sideline. "I'm ready to get back out there. I don't know if I will, but I'd like to. If I have a full recovery, I'd love to play. At least I want to play street football."

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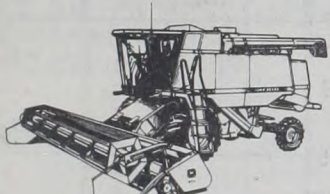
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Turkey Featured In Houston

For a time before World War II, Turkey was a trotting town.

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On a normal day today, downtown Turkey remains mostly quiet. The town has fallen on hard times; its population has dwindled for decades.

"I hope we won't go the way of some other little towns that don't have anything and are barely existing," said City Councilman Arlowene Williams. "We'll have a new restaurant opening up before long and we still have a lot of wild turkeys around here."

Williams, 72, considers herself a newcomer in a community where people measure residency status in generations instead of years.

"I'm really not a native," she said. "I've only been here 51 years."

Farm mechanization and the economic downturn in agriculture are sapping the life from Turkey,

some townsfolk believe.

"There is not enough work here to keep our youth here," Williams said. "As soon as they finish school, they leave."

There are indications, though, that the community may be on its way back, thanks in part to the turkey.

"We're cleaning up the empty buildings, there is a lot of potential if everybody works together," said Wilda Fuston, manager of the Memphis State Bank's Turkey branch.

The name 'turkey' is often looked on as something derogatory, but I never looked at it that way. I never felt that it was

bad to be a turkey or be from Turkey," she said.

Don Turner was born and reared here. He left, but came back. To Turner, who lived in Tarzan before returning to his home town, Turkey seemed like the big city.

"If you think Turkey is small, you ought to see Tarzan. It has a

post office and grocery store," he said.

Turner is a western artist who is tying his future to Turkey's ability to attract investment and tourists.

"This town has a lot of possibilities. It's already famous for Bob Wills," he said.

Another western artist, Otho Stubbs, 84, recalls when Turkey got its name.

The town was going to be named Turkey Roost in the 1920's to reflect the roosting fowl by Turkey Creek, a short distance from here, he said.

"For some reason they dropped when the town's official application to be named Turkey Roost was returned from Austin with a clerical mistake, Jane Johnson said.

Stubbs came to Turkey in 1910 and has grown to admire the town's namesake.

"The wild turkey is a remarkable bird. It has a well-balanced diet. There is a lot of wild grass around here. They catch it in their mouths and strip it up to get all the seeds out," he said.

Grady Tyler has ranched near here all his life, and at the age of 69 still takes care of more than a 3,000-acre spread. Wild turkeys still flourish in the area, he said.

"I've got one in the deep freeze, ready for Thanksgiving," he said.

"I've always tried to harvest the game. I have a lot of respect for the land, nature."

Turkey residents, like the most everyone else, spend Thanksgiving with their families, but the town comes together for a community holiday dinner a few days earlier. This year's dinner was held Sunday night.

Johnson said if his plans work out, next year's Thanksgiving may be celebrated at Hotel Turkey, perhaps even combined with the celebration of the town's new general store.

Johnson hopes to restore Turkey's vacant drug store and turn it into an old-fashioned general store complete with an antique-soda fountain.

The drug store closed several years ago, said Williams, when the pharmacist decided to retire.

Briscoe County Extension News

Ranchers who used insecticide ear tags for horn fly and ear tick control this past spring and summer should remove the old tags this fall.

Tags that have been used four to five months on an animal will not emit sufficient insecticide to adequately control fly population, according to Curtis Preston, Briscoe County Extension Agent.

During the past three fly seasons, use of pyrethroid impregnated ear tags has created a statewide problem with horn fly resistance to the insecticide.

As ranchers work with their cattle this winter, they should remove the old tags.

Preston said the ear tag system for fly control exerts a constant selection pressure on the pest population and results in killing the weakest and most susceptible pests. Other pests that have the genetic ability to survive a sub-lethal dose of insecticide become parents for the next pest generation. Within a two-year period, this selection process can develop a pest population highly resistant to all labeled chemicals of the pyrethroid type.

The producers may get a false impression that the old ear tags are still killing flies, since populations naturally decrease in the fall as flies enter overwintering quarters.

The old tag is not helping with control but is silently adding to selection pressure, thus making the surviving population more

resistant to the target insecticide.

Fewer hours of daylight in the fall and cooler weather are environmental factors that induce pest diapause. Horn flies spend the winter months in the soil as a diapaused pupa.

Fall fly tag removal is just a good management practice to reduce additional resistance to the list of insecticides.

When insect pests become resistant to an insecticide class, the economic incentive for future use of that compound is greatly reduced according to Preston.

The Texas Agricultural Extension Service is sponsoring a one day intermediate level futures and options workshop for agriculture producers December 15. The purpose of the workshop is to acquaint producers with pricing strategies for marketing wheat, feed grains and cattle. In addition, market outlooks, basis update, developing a marketing plan and the development of the 1990 farm bill will be addressed.

The workshop will be held from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., Friday, December 15, at the Texas A&M Research and Extension Center, 6500 Amarillo Boulevard West, Amarillo. The cost of the workshop is \$25 per participant which covers the cost of materials and a luncheon. Preregistration is required by Friday, December 8. For registration forms or more information, contact the County Extension office at 823-2131.

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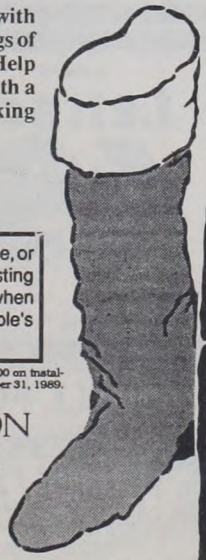
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Chronicle Featured City Of Turkey

Postmaster Janice Timmons doesn't have to look at the calendar to know that Thanksgiving is here.

Her daily mail is a dead giveaway.

People from all over the country have sent her letters just so she could stamp them and send them back.

"We've received about 100 letters so far," she said earlier this week. "We get them from as far as New York and New Jersey."

Some people included specific instructions that the letters be postmarked today, when the post office is closed.

To make sure no one is disappointed, Timmons put today's date on those letters just before closing time Wednesday.

The personal service is just one example of the hospitality of residents in this little town that has seen better days but is attempting a comeback.

Turkey, a town of about 600 people between Amarillo and Lubbock, prides itself on being named after the area's wild turkey flock.

At the turn of the century people in this area relied on the bird for food. Today, some residents hope that the town's association with the fowl can pull this community out of the economic doldrums.

"I'm thinking of even putting in a turkey farm. Who wouldn't want a smoked turkey from Turkey for Thanksgiving?" asked Scott Johnson, co-owner of the historic Hotel Turkey.

Johnson and his wife, Jane, are betting that the bird that put this town on the map more than 60 years ago can now garner enough attention to spark a rejuvenation process of Turkey's downtown, where many of the stores stand vacant.

Turkey is rich in tradition and history, but lacks some of the amenities of larger towns.

There is no cable television here and good television reception is nearly impossible with just rabbit-ear antennas.

The nearest nightclub is in Amarillo or Lubbock, about 100 miles away. All businesses with the exception of a convenience store close by 9 p.m.

The rurality might actually work to the town's advantage, the Johnsons believe, if people perceive the community as a quiet haven from the cares of modern life.

"We were booked solid every summer weekend," said Johnson, a former Dallas insurance salesman who returned to his hometown last year to run the hotel.

Visitors here can eat either in the hotel or at the Turkey Cafe and Drive-in, browse at the Turkey Variety or shop at Lacy's Dry Goods or the Turkey Automotive Supplies. They can even attend services at the Turkey Church of Christ.

Turkey Variety is a beauty parlor-variety store combination run by Johnson's aunt, Clema Johnson, 81, a 1926 graduate of Turkey High School.

"You tell people you're from Turkey, and they think you're joshing them," she said.

Clema Johnson moved here in 1915 after her family came by covered wagon from Oklahoma and decided to stay.

Zona Lane, 91, who also came to Turkey by covered wagon in 1907 and is better known around here as "Aunt Zona," likes the town's name.

When she moved here the abundant wild game helped feed some of the settlers, she said.

"They lived off the turkey, you could get a bird anytime," she said.

Lane is famous locally for her fried pies, which are on sale in Turkey Cafe and Drive-in. And, though she doesn't sign or number

them, she does keep count. As of Tuesday, she had made 33,931.

"I made 76 yesterday I keep a ledger," she said.

The pie-maker's alma mater, Turkey High School, no longer exists, as such. The schools here closed when Turkey and Quitaque, a small town just west of here, consolidated and built new schools between the two towns.

The school buildings here were then bought by the Bob Wills Foundation, an organization dedicated to perpetuating the art

and memory of the pioneer western swing band leader, a Turkey native.

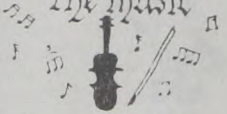
The elementary school houses a Wills museum - along with city hall and several other offices - that features assorted Wills memorabilia, including an amplifier used by his Tulsa, Okla.-based band, The Texas Playboys.

Wills - whose father also was a famed Turkey fiddler - is honored annually during an April festival.

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