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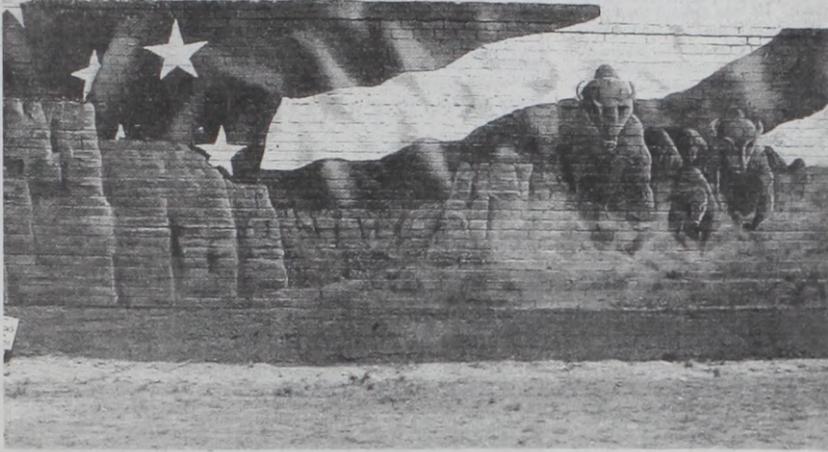
# THE VALLEY TRIBUNE

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We The Women commissioned Ryan Richey, an art major at Wayland Baptist University, to paint this mural in downtown Quitaque as part of their ongoing efforts to beautify our town!

## It's Official~Texas Loses Cattle Tuberculosis "Free" Status

Texas ranchers will need more than a truck and trailer to move breeding cattle and bison out of state for the foreseeable future. One June 6, the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) published its "interim rule" that officially downgraded Texas' cattle tuberculosis (TB) status from Accredited-Free to Modified Accredited-Advanced. Texas' status was lowered because TB infection was confirmed in two Texas cattle herds in 2001. Now, unless they are moving directly to slaughter, Texas breeding cattle and bison must be officially identified and be tested for cattle TB within 60 days prior to being transported across state lines (interstate movement). Untested Texas cattle and bison still can move freely within the state.

"Stock covered by the breeding cattle testing and identification requirement include weaned heifers, bred heifers, cows and bulls intended for breeding purposes," explained Dr Max Coats, assistant executive director of the Texas Animal Health Commission, the state's livestock health regulatory agency. "The USDA has delayed until January 1, 2003, additional restrictions on moving feeder cattle out of the state. Fedded animals include steers, bull calves and heifers destined for grazing and feeding for slaughter."

"This new federal regulation will require ranchers to plan ahead before selling or moving their breeding cattle out of state," he said. "Ranchers may find their breeding cattle to be more marketable if the animals are tested prior to arrival at the livestock market. Untested breeding cattle and bison will be restricted to movement only within the state or directly to a slaughter plant, unless a buyer makes arrangement to have the animals held and tested after the sale. Ranchers will be responsible for paying their USDA accredited, private veterinary practitioners for testing."

To Conduct a TB skin test, an accredited veterinarian injects a tiny amount of tuberculin into the animal's skin near its tail, in an area called the "caudal fold." After a 72 hour waiting period, Dr Coats said the veterinarian examines the site for swelling that might indicate the animal has been exposed to cattle TB. If there is no response, the accredited veterinarian can issue a document as proof of testing, recording on it the test results and the animal's official identification—either a brucellosis ear tag, or for purebred cattle, a firebrand or tattoo registered with the breed.

"About one percent of the 'caudal fold' tests will be positive, and this is expected, as there can be false positive test results," noted Dr Coats. "If this occurs, a state or federal veterinarian must run a second test within 10 days. This 'comparative cervical' test, run on the animal's neck, also requires a 72-hour waiting period, and if it is negative, the animal can move freely. A positive test, however, is strong indication the animal may have cattle TB lesions. Tissue samples will be collected and forwarded to the National Veterinary Services Laboratory in Ames, Iowa, for laboratory confirmation."

There are three exceptions to the TB testing requirements for breeding cattle moving across state lines," said Dr Coats. "Nursing calves can move without a test, if they accompany their TB-tested dam. Cattle going directly to a slaughter plant from a farm or livestock market don't need a test. Ranchers also can move animals freely from a TB accredited free herd, a status gained through annual herd testing." (Dr Coats advised producers to call the TAHC at 1-800-550-8242 for information about the TB accreditation program.)

The USDA is accepting public comments on the Us cattle TB regulations until August 5. A copy of the regulation downgrading Texas' cattle TB status and instructions for submitting comments may be obtained on the internet at <http://aphis.usda.gov/ppd/rad/webrepor/htmlor> by calling the USDA's Regulatory Analysis and Development at 301-734-8682.

### Calendar Of Events

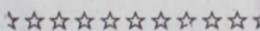
- June 13**  
-Turkey City Council @ 7 p.m.
- June 14**  
-FLAG DAY
- June 15**  
-Caprock Canyons State Park Wildflower Trailway Tour @ 10 a.m. (Call 455-1492 for reservations)
- Crystal River at the Gem Theatre @ 8 p.m.
- June 16**  
-FATHERS DAY
- June 17**  
-TEC meeting  
-Quitaque Lions Club
- June 18**  
-Turkey Fire Department @ 7:30 p.m.
- June 19**  
-Caprock Partners @ 5:30 p.m.

### Crystal River To Perform At Gem Theatre

On Saturday, June 15, 2002, the Spanish group, Crystal River, from Lubbock, will be in concert at the Gem Theatre in Turkey. This very talented group sings gospel and country and western music and will also perform a Father's Day Tribute, since the next day is Father's Day. The time is 8:00 p.m. and the admission is FREE! A love offering will be taken. Everyone is invited to come and hear this wonderful group. For information call 806-423-1273.

### Caprock Public Library's Summer Reading Program Begins In July

By Arlene Hinkle  
 Hello readers! Once again Caprock Public Library will be having a Summer Reading Program beginning on July 2 and ending on July 26. The awards will be given on July 31. Children, from 3 to 12 may participate in the ~ Reading On Your Own~ program. A record of the number of books read must be kept for count purposes. A winner from 7 groups will be chosen. 3 & 4 year olds; Kindergarten; 1st grade; 2nd grade; 3rd grade; 4th grade; and 5th grade and up.  
 Registration sheets will be available the last week in June at the Library, so encourage your children to enter and learn to love reading. T-shirts will be given to the reader from each group.  
 BEAT THE HEAT...READ!



### Valley 3 On 3 Challenge To Be Held July 5-6

The Valley 3 on 3 Challenge will be held Friday and Saturday, July 5-6 at the Valley Gym. The cost to enter this tournament is \$15 per player. Teams may have up to four players. Participants will be provided t-shirts, with the winning team members receiving championship t-shirts.  
 Participant divisions are 1&2 grade boys; 1&2 grade girls; 3&4 grade boys; 3&4 grade girls; 5&6 grade boys; 5&6 grade girls; Jr. High boys; Junior High girls; High School boys and High School girls.  
 Deadline for registration is Friday, June 28, 2002. When registering please include name, grade and t-shirt size. Send registration form and payment to Coach Clay, P.O. Box 392, Quitaque, TX 79255.  
 Come on out and have some Summer Fun with us!

### Roaring Springs To Hold Day Long Old Fashioned July 4th Celebration

The Roaring Springs Community Volunteers are finalizing plans for the 2nd Annual July 4th Celebration. The event will be held on Thursday, July 4, with activities beginning at 7 a.m. with breakfast at the Roaring Springs Volunteer Community Center. Dedication of the Veterans Memorial will be held at 8:30 a.m. State Representative David Counts will be the guest speaker at the dedication.  
 At 10 a.m., the unique and interesting Lawnmower Parade will begin in downtown Roaring Springs. Games and visiting will be enjoyed at the Community Center after lunch. Some of the games planned are Horseshoes, Volleyball, Washer Pitching, and Dominoes.  
 A very special event will be held for the kids. A Stick Horse Race for kids 7 and under is sure to be a most exciting event. Kids are urged to get their horses ready for the big day.  
 Activities will continue with a Patriotic Sing-Along at 3 p.m. A BBQ supper will be served beginning at 6 p.m. at the Community Center. Cost will be \$5 for adults and \$3 for children. At 7:30 p.m. Homemade Ice Cream will be served. The day will wind down with the beautiful Fireworks Display which will begin at about 9:30 p.m. or when it gets dark. The Ice Cream Social and the Fireworks Display are courtesy of Roaring Springs Friends.  
 On display throughout the day at the Community Center will be service uniforms and other memorabilia.  
 To be a part of the Parade or for more information call Alex Crowder at 348-7336 or Corky Marshall at 348-7000.  
 Come on down to Roaring Springs and join us for some good old fashioned 4th of July fun!

### Turkey Homecoming Planning Meeting Tuesday, June 18

By J. Young  
 A meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, June 18 at 4 p.m. at the Turkey Senior Citizens building to finalize plans for the Turkey Homecoming slated for October 12, 2002. Decisions need to be made regarding decorations, name tags, set-up and clean-up, entertainment, photo album, procedures for the day, etc.  
 Also, please check the list at the Post Office showing a list of people whose addresses are in error. You may know or know someone who does know where these people live.  
 It is important that as many individuals as possible participate in this meeting.

### Honoring Those Who Served A Salute To Local WWII Veterans



**Ray Cruse**  
 Ray Cruse served in the Navy during World War II from October 25, 1943 until May 9, 1946. He trained at Camp Pendleton, San Diego and Oceanside California. He made the invasion of Okinawa, April 1, 1945. He was with Unit 36 Standard Landing Craft, Boat Pool Baker.  
 The battle lasted 84 days and nights. The island is 62 miles long and 10 miles wide in the widest place. There were 11,000 American men killed and 44,000 wounded. He stayed on Okinawa 1 year and 15 days.  
 He received ribbons for World War II Victory-Asiatic Pacific Campaign-American Campaign and Expert Rifleman. He was discharged as Coxswain 1st Class and was called "Turk" by his comrades because he was from Turkey, Texas.



**R.V. Johnson**  
 R.V. Johnson was called to serve in the U.S. Armed Forces in the Army on October 30, 1942. He served as a Pharmacist Technician. He trained at Camp Barkley, Abilene, Texas; Ft. Bliss, El Paso, Texas; and Camp Gruver in Muskogee, Oklahoma. From Muskogee, he was shipped to Australia, New Guinea and then to the Philippines. After the War was over it took 32 days to cross the Pacific Ocean on his trip home. He was discharged January 1, 1946 in El Paso, traveling three days to reach Turkey. Ships, buses and trains were very slow compared to traveling today.

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# LETTERS to the Editor

Valley Tribune,  
What's this business about getting old about anyway? This wasn't supposed to happen to me, you maybe, but not me. I don't like it but the alternative isn't so great either. Places hurt that you didn't even know you had and some things don't work as well as they used to. Soreness lingers around and you don't even know why you are sore in the first place. I used to be able to run and jump like a god and now I can't run or jump at all. It's as if you sold the business to someone else and you were cheated out of the profits. Hair falls out of places where it used to be and grows in places its never been before. Hair sprouts on your ears like an old horse. Eyebrows get unruly hairs that look like antennas on a monster from a horror movie, I've been receiving an FM station on one of them.

Memory is another fleeting gift. I can't remember when I laid what and when I did it. Did the calendar miss the eighties and nineties? I think they happened but I'm not sure. It was the seventies and the next thing I remember, we were worried if the computers would all lock at the turn of the century. I went from being young to old. Nothing in between. Someone will say, "do you remember ole..." and I don't. Now the poser is, did I forget this person or did I ever know them in the first place?

Wrinkles were what women worried about on TV. Now, erosion has set in with lines and wrinkles that looks like your face was won as a prize in a prune box. Maybe I'm a Shar Pei? This isn't the face I brought with me. A turkey has a wattle, not humans! Your pants fall off the back because they are being pushed down from the front. If I had a face lift I would have enough left over for a new pair of boots and my eyebrows would meet in the back somewhere. The back of your neck looks like a rub board and what the heck are these brown spots anyway? If I'd known I would look like this I'd taken better care of myself.

Bill Sperry  
(Editor's Note) You got that right Bill!

Imagination grows by exercise, and contrary to common belief, is more powerful in the mature than in the young.  
—W. Somerset Maugham

Valley Tribune,  
Please start my paper again.  
Thanks,  
Ray Whitaker

Valley Tribune,  
Please renew our paper another year.

Thank you,  
Mr & Mrs Travis Lacy

Dear Editor,  
I am shocked at the behavior of Cotton Incorporated and the National Cotton Council. Each year these pseudo-governmental bodies take a share of American farm profits. 20 years and 1.2 billion dollars later we see no real improvement in cotton quality and no increase in profits for the farmers, yet, clothing costs continue to rage higher. A recent Farm Bill passed contained billions for farmer relief. How much good will it do while groups like Cotton Incorporated continue to take their cut?

The cotton logo is on everything from laundry detergent to cotton swabs for a fee. The company reputedly works for the American Upland Cotton Producer. The company operates a shadow plan that provides software, market research, textile technology and contact information to foreign companies. The result is hundreds of thousands of Americans thrown out of work and nearly nothing provided for farmers. Luxury parties are held for mall owners and international importers in places like the Museum of Modern Art in New York and the Peabody Hotel in Memphis.

They are creating a man-made disaster. Pressure was brought to include cottonseed oil in food. Cottonseed oil is fit to make shoe polish not cook food. Cottonseed oil contains complex fats and gossypol. Farmers know about cottonseed. Pigs that eat cottonseed die. Chickens produce mutated eggs. Bulls go sterile, calves die. Roasted cottonseed increases milk production, but it changes the milk and the butter becomes like plastic. This poison is being fed to schoolchildren because it is cheap.

Sincerely,  
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## Homemaker Cookbooks Are Back!

"Due to the overwhelming number of requests for the Valley Homemaker cookbook, **HOMEMADE WITH LOVE**, we have obtained a reprint," said Susan Young.

Copies of the cookbook will be kept at Lacy Dry Goods in Turkey and at Back to Basics and Karol's Kountry Korner in Quitaque. Copies may also be obtained by calling Susan Young at 455-1125.

The cost of the cookbook is \$15.00 and all proceeds will go toward projects that directly benefit our children. These cookbooks continue to get "Rave" reviews by all who have purchased one. They make great graduation, going away and wedding gifts, too! Pick yours up soon, before their all gone.

Quitaque, TX		Averages and Records	
Last Updated Wednesday, June 12, 2002, at 8:06 AM Central Daylight Time (Wednesday, 9:06 AM EDT)		Hi (°F)	Lo (°F)
Thu Jun 13	Partly Cloudy UV Index: 10 Very High	86°	65°
Fri Jun 14	T-Showers UV Index: 9 High	83°	62°
Sat Jun 15	Isolated T-Storms UV Index: 10 Very High	86°	65°
Sun Jun 16	Partly Cloudy UV Index: 10 Very High	91°	65°
Mon Jun 17	Partly Cloudy UV Index: 10 Very High	93°	66°
Tue Jun 18	Partly Cloudy UV Index: 10+ Extreme	95°	66°
Wed Jun 19	Partly Cloudy UV Index: 10+ Extreme	95°	66°
Thu Jun 20	Partly Cloudy UV Index: 10+ Extreme	96°	67°
Fri Jun 21	Partly Cloudy UV Index: 10+ Extreme	96°	67°



If you coat baked potatoes with vegetable oil before you pop them in the oven, they'll come out a beautiful golden brown.

The future is an opaque mirror. Anyone who tries to look into it sees nothing but the dim outlines of an old worried face.  
—Jim Bishop

## Happy Birthday

- June 13**  
Felix Ortiz, Stachia Washington
- June 14**  
Butch Hamilton, Novella Martin
- June 15**  
Christopher Revis Farley
- June 16**  
Colt Saul, Bart Owens, Arlene Hinkle
- June 17**  
Zachary Coker Hamilton
- June 18**  
Lacie Pointer, Ruth Brunson
- June 19**  
Daphyenne Lane, L.B. Monk, Debbie Wellman, Daniel Ortiz
- June 20**  
Anthony Ortiz, Ellen Skinner, Rod Adamson

## Happy Anniversary

- June 13**  
Mr & Mrs Butch McBee
- June 14**  
Mr & Mrs Sid McFall  
Mr & Mrs Jack Wellman
- June 16**  
Mr & Mrs Mark Zanardi  
Mr & Mrs Tom Eudy  
Mr & Mrs R.J. Kalafas
- June 17**  
Mr & Mrs Severino Ortiz  
Mr & Mrs Homer Hawkins
- June 18**  
Mr & Mrs Jan Turner  
Mr & Mrs Stuart Smith  
Mr & Mrs Jeffery Lane  
Mr & Mrs Todd Oberheu
- June 19**  
Mr & Mrs Billy Hughes  
Mr & Mrs Danny Stewart  
Mr & Mrs W.C. Carson  
Mr & Mrs Mack Seymour
- June 20**  
Mr & Mrs James Fuston  
Mr & Mrs Kevon Kleibrink  
Mr & Mrs Rex Adamson  
Mr & Mrs Tomas Hinojosa Sr.

## OBTUARIES

### Carl Dee Lewis

Services for Carl Dee Lewis, 70, of Cisco, TX were held Tuesday, June 11, 2002 at First United Methodist Church in Cisco. The Rev. Gary Turner officiated. Pallbearers were his nephews, honorary pallbearers were members of the Cisco Lions Club. Burial was in Resthaven Cemetery in Lubbock.

Mr. Lewis died Sunday, June 9, 2002. He was born on March 19, 1932 in Seven Shooter, Oklahoma. He married Millie Marshall on October 11, 1952 in Silverton, TX. He was preceded in death by a son, Blake Lewis and a brother, James Lewis.

Carl served in the U.S. Army during the Korean War. He was a member of the Disabled American Veterans and the Telephone Pioneers. He was a board member of the Cisco Lions Club and the Lubbock Tele-Credit Union and a former board member of the United Way at Lubbock. He was also on the finance committee of the First United Methodist Church in Cisco.

Survivors include his wife, Millie (Marshall) Lewis of Cisco; a son, Carl Wayne Lewis and wife Jane of Alpine, TX; two daughters, Debra Westbrook of Paris, TX and Christy Johnston and husband Lance of Parker, CO.; three sisters, Geneva Smith and Mae Baird of Lubbock and Suzie Shannon of Quitaque; and two brothers, Clarence Lewis of Cisco and Raymond Lewis of Oklahoma City, OK; and four grandchildren.

The family suggests memorials to the First United Methodist Church Building Fund at Cisco, TX.

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- 9:00 A.M. - DEDICATION of the Roaring Springs VETERANS MEMORIAL PARK
- 10:30 A.M. - Riding Lawnmower Parade in downtown Roaring Springs
- 2:00 Noon - Fried Chicken Buffet at Hitching Post Cafe or bring a picnic lunch
- 1:30 P.M. - Washer Pitching for Worlds Championship at Roaring Springs Community Center
- 1:30 P.M. - 3-Legged Race at R.S. Community Center
- 3:30 P.M. - Patriotic Sing-Song at R.S. Community Center
- 6:00 P.M. - Bar-B-Q Supper (\$5.00 Adults, \$3.00 Children) or have a picnic in the Roaring Springs City Park
- 8:00 P.M. - Homemade Ice Cream for all at Community Center
- 8:45 P.M. - 1st Annual Stick Horse Derby run in age groups of 2-3, 4-5, and 6-7
- 9:00 P.M. - 1st Annual Roaring Springs Steeplechase run in age groups of 2-3, 4-5, and 6-7

9:45 or DARK - FIREWORKS DISPLAY

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## Sunday, June 16th

# FATHER'S DAY

### Happy Father's Day, Dad!

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### Do Gooders' Club

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Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Georg cal appointment.

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Attending the Farewell P who moved from Turkey to Hotel Turkey were Mrs. Bre Cruse and her houseguests, M of Silverton.

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# FLOMOT NEWS

BY EARLYNE JAMESON

## OVERHEARD

*My heart holds a special place  
that only my Dad can fill,  
no matter how many years roll by  
When the world slows down and time gets still  
my thoughts go back to when I was a kid  
and I think about all the things we did:  
driving the tractor, stacking hay  
and checking on cattle at the close of day.  
A warm smile, a touch of his hand on mine,  
leaving there a nickel or dime  
I thought I was rich, but little did I know  
that the love he planted would grow and grow  
And today I am a millionaire  
because I had a Dad to care.  
I can still hear him say, just do your best.  
Dad, I just want to say, I'll always love you.*

## Do Gooders' Club Quilt On Display In Quitaque

The Do Gooders' Club met Tuesday afternoon, June 4 at the Community Center in Flomot. Mrs. Waydette Clay conducted the business session. Mrs. Alma Shorter read the minutes of the previous meeting that were approved. The solar window screens have been installed, new window blinds inside building have been completed and plumbing repairs done at the Community Center. Mrs. Kathy Shorter reported she had purchased a new vacuum cleaner for the center.

In other business, a Community Work Day will be Friday, July 5 in preparation for the Flomot Tri Annual Homecoming, Saturday, July 6. The Club's "Ragtime" quilt with patriotic colors, in response to the tragic events last September, is on display at Just Because, floral and gift shop, in Quitaque. The winner's name will be drawn at the Flomot Homecoming.

Mesdames Leona Degan and Waydette Clay presided at a pink service. They served refreshments of assorted cookies with pink fruit punch. The table was laid with a pink cloth trimmed in lace and centered with an overflowing garden of flowers in a basket. Mrs. Degan won the raffle ticket drawing for a coffee mug, filled with a bouquet of colorful suckers. Those attending were Mesdames Erma Washington, Connie Franks, Mary Jo Calvert, Waydette Clay, Leona Degan, Alma Shorter, Nada Starkey, Kathy Shorter, Anna Beth Clay and B. Rogers.

## Has Surgery

Mrs. Barbara Payne had surgery Monday, June 3 at the Covenant Medical Center in Lubbock. She had complications following previous surgery.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilburn Martin were in Lubbock, Tuesday, June 4th for cardiac medical tests. Mrs. Martin had pacemaker heart surgery at Covenant Medical Center, Friday, June 7th. Their daughter, Mrs. Marilee Cooper of Borger was with her during surgery and returned home Saturday.

Junior Payne had recent knee replacement surgery at Covenant Medical Center in Plainview.

## Great-Grandson

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Starkey announce the birth of a great grandson, Wyatt Lee Stalling, who arrived Saturday, June 1, 2002 at the Northwest Texas Hospital in Amarillo. He weighed five pounds.

Welcoming the new arrival are his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ted Stalling and sisters, Taylor and Robin and grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Michael Starkey of Canyon.

Mr. and Mrs. Virgil George were in Lubbock, Thursday for him a medical appointment.

Mrs. C.W. Starkey, Johnnie Starkey, Jack and Nada Starkey attended a Starkey Cousins Reunion held in Plainview, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Coy Franks visited in Lubbock, Saturday with son, Cary Franks and Sorrel Schmidt. Their daughter, Cara Franks of Canyon visited them Sunday.

Mrs. Tommie Jo Cruse has been in Abilene during the week with her mother, Mrs. Dona Browning of Rising Star, a patient in the Rehabilitation Unit at Hendricks Hospital following knee replacement surgery.

Visiting Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Clois Shorter were Mrs. Keri Sehon and son, Brian of Ropesville and Mrs. Christi Milam and daughters, Emily and Haley of Petersburg. Mrs. Milam and daughters remained to visit overnight Sunday.

Attending the Farewell Party, a courtesy for Larry and Deidra Clifton who moved from Turkey to Cisco, held Saturday night on the patio of Hotel Turkey were Mrs. Brenda Cruse and son, Derrick, Mrs. Tommie Jo Cruse and her houseguests, Mark and Derinda Patton and daughter, Tally of Silverton.

# COOK'S CORNER

BY VIRGINIA SAILSBURY

Last week, I told you that I was cooking for the Woodstock Benefit held at Lake Mackenzie June 7-9. The Benefit and the meals were all big successes! Over \$4,000 in cash and merchandise was raised for young burn victim Levi Cantrell, including a fabulous swing set to be installed in his own backyard. Levi and his brothers and sister will certainly enjoy it for years to come. He even told me that I could come over and play. What a great family Lori Cantrell has adopted!

From Thursday night to Sunday breakfast, I cooked nine meals for the bands and support people running the benefit. There were from 19 to 80 hungry people lined up for each meal, depending on the day and the time of day. It's a big production-I take everything including the kitchen sink and set up an entire kitchen and dining room in the pavilion. The musicians and the workers really appreciate having their meals ready for them since there is little time to do your own cooking.

One of the dishes I fixed is a long misplaced one that I recently found and fixed for Saturday lunch. It's from Atlanta, GA, a super Southern dish I think you'll enjoy. Try it!

## DORIS ELROD'S BBQ CHICKEN

4 pounds cooked chicken  
2 onions, sliced  
2 Tablespoons vinegar  
2 Tablespoons worcestershire  
1 Tablespoon salt  
1 teaspoon paprika  
1 teaspoon chili powder  
1/2 teaspoon red pepper  
1/2 teaspoon black pepper  
3/4 cup ketchup  
3/4 cup chicken broth

Cook onion in broth until soft. Add other ingredients and meat. Bake covered 1 hour at 350. Serve on hamburger buns or over rice.

For the next three issues of the Valley Tribune, the cook will be missing. I'll be vacationing in the north of America, in Michigan. I'll keep a lookout for some tasty regional dishes to share with you when I get back. Those Yankees don't eat the same as we do here in Texas, but they may have something we would like.

Don't forget the Reader's Recipe Exchange while I'm gone. If you want to ask for a recipe you would like to have, or to share a recipe

with the readers, there are three ways to do it:

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I'll look forward to hearing from you. Again this week, let us be thankful that we are Americans and that God has BLESSED AMERICA!

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No one appreciates the very special genius of your conversation as a dog does.

—Christopher Morley

Grow old along with me! The best is yet to be. The last of life, for which the first was made.

—Robert Browning

The world is always ready to receive talent with open arms. Very often it does not know what to do with genius.

—Oliver Wendell Holmes



## This Week In Texas History!

- June 7, 1857**  
Camp Hudson established on the Devil's River about 80 miles from Fort Clark; abandoned on March 17, 1861; reoccupied after the Civil War; finally abandoned April 1868.
- June 8, 1911**  
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- June 9, 1894**  
First major oil discovery in Texas at Corsicana.
- June 10, 1821**  
Moses Austin died leaving work of establishing his Texas Colony to son, Stephen F. Austin.
- June 11, 1865**  
State Treasury robbed of \$17,000 before outraged citizens drove off bandits.
- June 12, 1944**  
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- events affecting TX weather: "El Nino" and "La ..."
- early TX Orbison band: "Kings"
- birth month for TX Jaclyn Smith & TX Dan Rather (abbr.)
- result of 27-down: "dawn"
- TXism: "I ... that like a chicken coop needs a fox"
- TXism: "let 'em rip"
- Santa ... TX
- TXism: "that's a horse of a different color"
- Fort Hood greeting
- when Marty Robbins found himself in Rosa's Cantina
- 37-across was "Chicago Cub"
- TXism: "two peas ..."
- retriever dogs
- TX Banks
- TXism: "big fish"
- TX "First Lady"
- TXism: "if it was any better, the sheriff wouldn't ..."
- boot width

- big Astro or Ranger event: "grand ..."
- this Tinkle wrote Alamo book "13 Days to Glory"
- TXism: "gave ... song and dance"
- great TX lefty Rube
- 3-term gov. Daniel (init.)
- objective on a golf hole
- TXism: "nail his hide to the barn ..."
- TCU All-American "Rags"

## The Original

# TEXAS CROSSWORD

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- Wharton AM radio
- TXism: "would melt the ... off your molars" (hot chili)
- John Cornyn's title in TX gov. (abbr.)
- boxing victory (abbr.)
- Friday night kickin' group (2 wds.)
- TX Chester Nimitz
- TX Hagman TV series: " ..."
- of Jeannie
- "yes" south of the border
- Bentsen State Park groove-billed bird
- actress Turner of "Peyton Place"
- " ... night"
- TXism: "attracted like a pig ..."
- actor O'Brien of TX-based "Cow Country"
- Buffalo ... TX
- cable movie chan.
- blackboard cleaners
- " ... and void"
- root beer letters
- TXism: " ... as a dish rag"
- TXism: "buying oats for a ... (wasted effort)"
- horse breed
- TXism: " ... a bull give milk?" (no)
- chemical co.
- TXism: "gone ... dogs"
- TX Sam Bass was a ... robber

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# Space Shuttle Carries Texas Ranger Badge To Mark 180th Anniversary

NASA mission STS-111 to the International Space Station carried along a piece of history--the world famous Texas Ranger badge. Lt. Col. Paul Lockhart, pilot of STS-111 and a native of Amarillo, is a fan of Texas history and the legendary law enforcement agency. In January, Col. Lockhart called the Texas Ranger Hall of Fame and Museum in Waco, Official Museum of the Texas Rangers, with an offer to fly a symbol of the Rangers to the International Space Station to celebrate their 180th anniversary.

"The Texas Ranger badge immediately came to mind," said Byron Johnson, director of the Hall of Fame and Museum. "It is a universally recognized symbol of Texas and American law enforcement. Col. Lockhart's tribute recognizes the contribution the Texas Rangers have made to the People and the State of Texas."

By tradition, Texas Ranger badges are made from Mexican silver five peso coins (sergeant and lieutenant) and fifty peso gold coins (captains). The custom began more than 120 years ago when Mexican coins were recognized as a worldwide standard for purity of metal and true weight. The oldest authenticated Ranger badge, made in the 1880's, is on display at the Texas Ranger Hall of Fame.

The Texas Rangers are an investigative and enforcement division of the Texas Department of Public Safety. Stephen F. Austin founded the Texas Rangers in 1823 as a home guard to protect against Indian raids and pursue criminals. Over the next 180 years they served as frontier lawmen, State Police officers and an elite investigative force. Since 1935 they have been a division of the Texas Department of Public Safety.

After mission debriefing, Col. Lockhart will present the badge(s) to the Texas Rangers at a ceremony at the Texas Ranger Hall of Fame and Museum.

## 2002 Farm Bill Update June 19

What are my options and what decisions have to be made? What is the new language in the legislation? Who can I get help from? What websites and software are available? If you have been asking yourself these questions this seminar is for you. The Texas Cooperative Extension offices of Hale, Swisher, Floyd and Lamb Counties along with the USDA-FSA office of Hale County will be hosting the 2002 Farm Bill Update on June 19 beginning at 9 a.m. at the Ollie Liner Center in Plainview.

Presenters will be Dr. Joe Outlaw, Associate Professor & Extension Economist; Dr. Jackie Smith, Professor & Extension Economist; Mr. Jack London, USDA-FSA; and Mr. Jay Yates, Extension Program Specialist-Risk Management.

### NEXT OF KIN



By Clint Harmon

### A Bit Of Turkey History

The town of Turkey, situated on the W.M. Cooper Section, was settled in 1891. The plat of the town was recorded September 20, 1907. It was once known as Turkey Roost. Stories are yet told of the hundreds of wild turkey that frequented the large grove of cottonwoods, surrounding the dugout of Alfred P. Hall, who acted as the first postmaster.

S.L. Johnson erected the first building which was 10 x 12 for a small store; the Turkey Mercantile Company, Wiley Tackett, manager, was established soon after. Miss Lura Lane, later Mrs. Joe Meacham was the first child born in the Turkey community.

The menu, shown below, was mailed to U.F. Coker from Jerry Gafford, of Idaho. It is from the 1935 Father-Son Banquet held in Turkey.

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- What A Father Should Do For His Son Byron Richburg
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Merely having an open mind is nothing; the object of opening the mind, as of opening the mouth, is to shut it again on something solid. —G.K. Chesterton

There once was a time of trains vastly different from today; a time of romance and adventure, of great locomotives...and steam whistles in the night...Then one could sit by the tracks and dream of other places, beyond the curve of sight. —David Plowden



Have you noticed the new pecan trees that were recently planted in the Quitaque Park? They were planted with grant money received by the City.

## The American Cancer Society Offers The Perfect Gift For Father's Day

The sport of golf has raised millions of dollars for charitable causes over the years and 289 Texas golf courses and their pros, have teamed up with the American Cancer Society's Texas Golf Pass to help raise money to fight cancer in Texas. And, it's the perfect gift for Father's Day!

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The Texas Golf Pass can be ordered by calling 1-800-ACS-2345. It's also available online at [www.texasgolfpass.com](http://www.texasgolfpass.com). The web site has a special search feature to help you find participating courses nearest you.

Thanks to the great support of so many Texas golf courses, golfers now have another way to participate in the fight against cancer, while enjoying the game they love. It also makes it possible to enjoy many different courses throughout the state when traveling for business or for fun.

The American Cancer Society is the nationwide, community-based, voluntary health organization dedicated to eliminating cancer as a major health problem by preventing cancer, saving lives and diminishing suffering from cancer, through research, education, advocacy, and service.

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### More Options for Public School Children

Private school parents have many options for their children's education, including all-boys or all-girls schools or classrooms. But due to bureaucratic barriers, parents whose children attend public schools have been denied this choice. But things are about to change.

In January, President Bush signed the "No Child Left Behind Act" into law. One of the landmark reforms in this legislation gives public school systems the flexibility to offer single-sex classes and schools. The Department of Education will issue guidelines on implementation of these programs and parents and other concerned Americans have until July 9 to give public comment on this important issue.

I was proud to sponsor the amendment to remove the obstacles preventing public schools from offering single-sex programs to parents and students who request them. We wanted to provide this as an option -- not a mandate -- for America's public schools.

Most of the time, co-educational classes are going to be the right answer for a child's learning needs. But studies conclude that in some circumstances students do better in a single-sex atmosphere. We want parents who might not be able to afford private school to be able to go to their school board and request, for example, an eighth-grade math class for boys, or a chemistry lab for girls.

Until recently, most public school systems have avoided the legal hassles that typically accompany any attempt to offer single-sex programs. Only 11 public schools in the country have dared to challenge the status quo and offer these innovative choices.

In 1972, legislation was passed to ensure equal educational opportunities for boys and girls. While some people have argued that single-sex schools go against this standard, it is in fact within the spirit of educational equality that we passed this legislation. Equality of opportunity means that all students here in Texas and across the country should have the options in a public school setting that they could choose in private education.

Numerous studies have shown that single-sex programs can reduce barriers to learning by providing a less intimidating and more productive classroom. Research shows that some girls have more confidence to express themselves in the classroom and they pursue more courses in mathematics and science in same-gender programs than they do in a co-educational school.

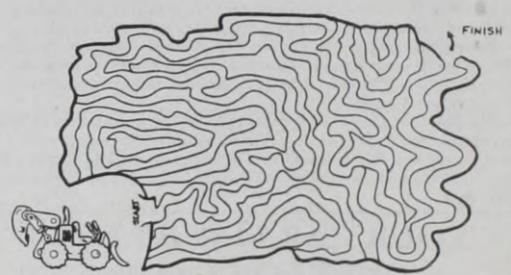
Public, all-boys programs in other states have successfully offered young men the tools they need to succeed by instilling in them discipline, self-respect and leadership. In one school, eighth-grade boys have outperformed their peers in state writing and mathematics benchmarks by nearly two-to-one.

Another example of the benefits of single-sex classrooms is the Young Women's Leadership School in New York City. The school opened its doors in 1996 to seventh-grade girls and in its first year, the students had the best attendance record in the district and they experienced academic success across the board. Last year the school produced its first graduates and all were accepted to four-year colleges. One student chose to serve her country in the U.S. Air Force.

These kinds of results demonstrate why we must open the door for more public schools to explore similar educational alternatives.

Congress, the President and Secretary of Education Rod Paige have encouraged innovation and creativity in our public schools. Our goal is to have the best education system in the world. One of the options that should be available if parents ask, is a single-sex educational opportunity in public schools. I encourage you to voice your opinion on this important issue.

To tell the Department of Education what you think, contact them regarding the "single-sex notice of intent to comment" via e-mail at [ocr@ed.gov](mailto:ocr@ed.gov) or via postal mail to Gerald A. Reynolds, Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights, U.S. Department of Education, 400 Maryland Ave., S.W., Room 5000, Mary E. Switzer Building, Washington, D.C. 20202-1100.



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By Shaw

**Final Planting Date**  
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# Cotton News

By Shawn Wade  
from Plains Cotton Growers, Inc.

## Final Planting Dates & Hail Are Hot Topics Across West Texas

The West Texas typical mix of "haves and have-nots" are once again trying to figure out just where the 2002 crop stands as the area approaches the end of its traditional planting period June 10.

June 10 marks the Federal Crop Insurance Corp. final planting date for cotton in most of the region's southern counties. Northern counties have final cotton planting dates of May 31 or June 5.

The "have-nots" are mostly non-irrigated producers in the southern most counties of the High Plains. It should be noted, however, that there are still some non-irrigated acres north of Lubbock, in the same boat as their brethren to the south.

As a group, they are wondering if they will have a chance to tap into relatively good subsoil moisture that could help establish a crop. So far the lack of timely "planting" rains to occur over a large part of the region during April and May continues to be a serious problem.

With weather forecasts not predicting an increased chance of rain fall over the near term, most of West Texas' non-irrigated crop is on the verge of being denied another chance at establishing a crop and utilizing the tantalizingly close subsoil moisture that lies underneath powdery dry seedbeds.

With no alternative but to take a chance on catching an isolated rain event adequate to germinate and sprout their seed, dryland cotton producers across the region have been busting beds and planing into dry dirt in an effort to give themselves the chance at a 2002 cotton crop and to meet requirements of Federal Crop Insurance policies that require seed to be in the ground by the final planting date for their county.

On the other side of the spectrum are the "haves" who have been on the receiving end of recently sparked thunderstorms that rumbled across the central section of the region in the past two weeks. These "haves" in some instances may not be much better off than the "have-nots" since the storms brought a pretty fair amount of hail, wind and flooding along with them.

Damage reports have been slow in coming, however. The first storm, which came shortly on the heels of the Memorial Day weekend may not have been quite as problematic as first thought due to a quick return of warm weather and no wind immediately afterward.

Also, a pretty large part of acreage that was lost was probably replanted to take advantage of the moisture and the fact that the calendar was still somewhat favorable to cotton.

This week's storm, however, maybe another story with damaged cotton less likely to get replanted due to the passage of the final planting date for crop insurance and the fact that producers probably will opt to switch to a shorter season crop like grain sorghum.

Estimates of crop damage from a variety of sources, including Texas Cooperative Extension and the Texas Boll Weevil Eradication Foundation, indicate somewhere between 100,000 and 125,000 acres of cotton were lost in the two storms.

Additional losses due to disease or other causes are not available at this time. Also, the potential loss of a significant number of dryland cotton acres still looms large for the region.

## UPDATE: Crop Insurance Rules For Appraisals

The bottom line for producers whose crops are emerged and growing is that the rules have not changed in regard to Federal Crop Insurance and the timing of appraisals after the crop has sustained damage.

For EMERGED crops the normal rules apply in regard to asking for and receiving an adjustment. Producers can begin receiving adjustments 7 days after crop damage occurs.

However, a good bit of confusion has been created due to a new Crop Insurance rule covering how NON-EMERGED crops are treated this year. This new rule adds a 15 day waiting period after the late planting period, which runs for 15 days after the final planting date.

Producers who plant into dry soil and do not receive enough moisture to achieve a stand by the end of the late planting period have to wait an additional 15 days before adjustments can be made.

In a nutshell, a producer whose dry planted crop has not achieved a stand by the end of the late planting period (15 days after the final planting date) WILL NOT be able to receive an adjustment at that time. For 2002 they will have to wait an additional 15 days before any adjustment will be made. Plains Cotton Growers, Inc. and the National Cotton Council are in the process of seeking the repeal of the additional waiting period.

# FARMING OUR GREAT STRENGTH

## 2002 Farm Bill Conservation Programs To Receive \$17.1 Billion To Benefit Landowners

President Bush has signed the Farm Security and Rural Investment Act into law and, according to the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department, the passage heralds unprecedented funding for conservation of Texas water, soil and wildlife.

Almost \$17.1 billion of the \$72 billion appropriation contained in the 2002 Farm Bill will fund conservation programs to benefit individual property owners.

For many states, including Texas, the 2002 Farm Bill provides much needed support for declining wildlife species through incentives which reward good land stewardship that benefits wildlife habitat, grassland restoration and soil and water conservation.

Here's how the individual Farm Bill programs can benefit Texas wildlife.

**Conservation Reserve Program (CRP)** removes highly erodible land from production and creates permanent ground cover. Planting native warm season grasses and seed producing forbs provides excellent nesting, feeding and brood rearing cover for grassland birds including quail. Currently Texas leads the nation in CRP participation with more than 4 million acres enrolled.

**Environmental Quality Incentives Program (EQIP)** can be used for improved grazing and removal of brush and reduction of nutrient runoff into waterways. EQIP provides cost-share money for interior fencing and watering structures to provide better grazing management.

**Grassland Reserve Program (GRP)** is a new program that will start in 2003. It protects and restores native grasslands through long term and permanent easements with private landowners. Native grasses provide valuable, high quality nesting and brood-rearing cover for lesser prairie chickens, prairie dogs and many other grassland dependent species.

**Wildlife Habitat Incentives Program (WHIP)** can be used to manage brush, restore native vegetation, improve grazing management, perform prescribed burning, build cross fencing and provide shallow water sources for wildlife. Fifteen percent of these funds are targeted at helping threatened and endangered species. All of these practices help restore native habitat and provide the food, water and cover that wildlife needs.

**Conservation Security Program (CSP)** is a new program starting in 2003 that provides up to 75 percent in cost share payments to private agricultural producers who address resource concerns and fish and wildlife conservation through landscape management on their properties.

Texas Parks and Wildlife looks forward to working with the Natural Resources Conservation Service and interested Texas landowners on implementing the wildlife benefits found in the 2002 Farm Bill," said TPWD Private Lands and Habitat Branch Chief Mike Berger.

Some of these programs have limited sign up windows. Interested landowners should contact their local Natural Resource Conservation Service or Farm Services Agency office for more information.



## By: Brandon McGinty, CEA-Ag, Briscoe County Mexican-Origin Roping Steers Must Be Tested Yearly For Cattle Tuberculosis

Texas livestock health officials are increasing disease surveillance for cattle tuberculosis (TB), and one of the targets is Mexican-origin roping steers.

"Texas is at a particular risk for cattle TB, because, each year, livestock brokers import nearly a million feeder cattle from Mexico, where cattle TB is still a serious problem. A number of these Mexican-origin steers are selected for roping practice, competitions or rodeos. Between events, these animals, which often have a four to five year life span, occasionally are commingled on pastures with local cattle herds, including calves that may later become Texas feeder cattle," said Dr. Linda Logan, Texas state veterinarian and executive director for the Texas Animal Health Commission (TAHC), the state's livestock health regulatory agency. Dr. Logan also pointed out that these Mexican-imported roping steers sometimes are in close proximity to dairies, breeding operations and other at risk animal populations.

"Although Mexican-origin cattle are tested for cattle TB prior to entering Texas, there's always a possibility that the animals were exposed to TB bacteria shortly before importation. In this scenario, the cattle would be incubating infection and not test positive for the disease," she explained. "To reduce this potential risk for disease introduction, we are strictly enforcing TAHC regulations that require Mexican-origin roping steers to undergo a retest for cattle TB prior to entering competition and annually thereafter."

Since summer 2001, two of Texas' 153,000 domestic cattle herds have been diagnosed with cattle TB, and the U.S. Department of Agriculture just cancelled the state's TB free status in early June. "We can get our 'free' status reinstated in two years, but only if we find the last of any infection and conduct tight disease surveillance," Dr. Logan pointed out. "We cannot provide 'zero risk' in a global trading environment, but by retesting and ensuring that imported animals are disease-free, we can reduce disease risks for Texas livestock producers."

## TDA Secures Emergency Specific Exemption To Use Tracer On Peanuts health hints Seven Tips To Eat Less And Move More

Agriculture Commissioner Susan Combs recently announced that the Texas Department of Agriculture has been granted approval by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency to issue a Section 18 emergency specific exemption to use sponosad (Tracer Insecticide) on peanuts to control lepidopteran larvae.

Use is authorized to begin June 15, 2002, and expires October 30, 2002. Tracer Insecticide, manufactured by Dow Agrosciences, may be applied following all directions, restrictions and precautions on the EPA registered product label, as well as restrictions within the exemption notice.

\* Applications should be made only by certified applicators, licensed applicators or persons under the direct supervision of licensed applicators. All applicators must have copy of the EPA approval notice in their possession prior to any applications.

\* A maximum of 335,000 acres may be treated in Texas.

\* Tracer Insecticide may be applied by ground or aerial equipment at the rate of 1.5 to 3.0 fluid ounces of product per acre (0.047 to 0.094 lbs. ai/acre). Total rate of Tracer Insecticide must not exceed 9.0 fluid ounces of product (0.282 lbs. ai) per acre per crop season.

\* This product is highly toxic to bees exposed to direct treatment on blooming crops or weeds. This product should not be applied or allowed to drift to blooming crops or weeds while bees are actively visiting the treatment area.

For more information, contact your county Texas Cooperative Extension office or TDA at (512) 463-7407. A copy of the approval notice is located on the TDA web site at [www.agr.state.tx.us/pesticide/exemptions/pes\\_tracer02.htm](http://www.agr.state.tx.us/pesticide/exemptions/pes_tracer02.htm).

(NAPS)—The Surgeon General's Call to Action to Prevent and Decrease Overweight and Obesity" recently reported that six out of every ten adults in the United States are now overweight or obese. As weight increases, so does the risk for heart disease. Here is some practical weight loss advice from the National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute (NHLBI).

- 1. Use smaller plates.** We eat most of what is on our plate, no matter what the size. Smaller plates mean smaller portions.
- 2. Share an entrée.** Portions are often super sized and enough for two or more people to share. More for your money is not always better for your health.
- 3. Drink up.** Eight glasses (8 oz. each) or more of water or other non-caloric beverages daily fills you up and keeps you refreshed.
- 4. Eat your fruits and vegetables.** Vegetables and fruits can help you feel fuller, especially when eaten raw.
- 5. Slow down.** It takes 15 minutes or more for the message that we're full to reach our brains.

- How to Move More**
- 6. Go thirty most days.** Get at least 30 minutes of moderate physical activity per day, most days of the week, to help burn up extra calories.
- 7. Think beyond the gym.** Give yourself credit for the activities that you're already doing. Common activities such as climbing stairs, pushing a stroller, gardening and walking for 30 minutes all count as physical activity. Just make sure you do enough of them.

Get more practical tips at NHLBI's "Aim for a Healthy Weight" Web site at [www.nhlbi.nih.gov/health/public/heart/obesity/lose\\_wt/index.htm](http://www.nhlbi.nih.gov/health/public/heart/obesity/lose_wt/index.htm), or call the NHLBI Health Information Center at (301) 592-8573.

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