

BOB WILLS: KING OF WESTERN SWING

Way down in Turkey, Texas, in the early part of spring, We have a special day to honor "King of Western Swing" Bob Wills is who I'm speaking of, as everybody knows; He thrilled the world with his ah haa and his swinging do si dos.

Now one way that we might describe the term 'western swing' Is a jazzy sentimental song that makes the rafters ring. From Cotton fields and barber shops and old-time radio, Bob created that special sound that everyone loves so.

Bob's songs could either bring a tear or make you tap your toes, From White Cross on Okinawa to the San Antonio Ros His band was just the greatest you could ever hope to hear; They played with all their heart and soul: Their love for it was clear.

From lean years to the very top, some years were pretty rough; But that great sound lives on and on: folks just can't get enough. So come enjoy the arts and crafts, old friends and western swing, For here in Turkey, Texas, Bob Wills is still the King.

Calendar Of Events

April 23 Bob Wills Autograph Party/Jam

April 24 Texas Playboys Dance April 25 Bob Wills Day April 26

Attend Church of Choice April 27 Quitaque Firemen

Regional Tennis @ Levelland April 28 Turkey Senior Citizens @ 6 p.m. Driver's License in Silverton TAAS 3-8 Math, Writing Exit

Regional Tennis @ Levelland April 29 TAAS 3-8 Reading, Math Exit

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Cowboy Symposium Volunteers To Assist Turkey Hall of Fame

by Barry Doss

The prestigious Cowboy symposium of Glencove, New Mexico has sent over three of their most prominent volunteer staff people to assist the Turkey Heritage Foundation in getting their brand new Hall of Fame, to be located in the old Gem Theatre started up and going at full speed ahead.

In this case the symposium didn't have to send their staff very far, for these folks are already part time Turkey, Texas residents, themselves, who have been a part of the Cowboy Symposium for over nine years.

Glen Madren and sons, Larry Parks and Charles Paul are the lucky people and lucky for the Hertiage Foundation they are very well qualified. Glen, himself, has received the prized Promotional Award from the State of Wyoming for his promotion of Western Swing; the Gold Valley News Award for his help in promotion of Western Swing in Arizona; an Appreciation Award for his work with the Prescott Western Swing group; plus his latest Breakfast At award from the Cowboy Sympoaward was ever given to anyone besides an entertainer.

Contest For Old Time Fiddlers

gin at 12 noon at the Auditorium Center and Gym in the Bob Wills

Center on Saturday during the Friday Night Dance listen to the former Texas Playannual Bob Wills Celebration.

all areas of the United States will playing for a dance on Friday be entering this event. Be sure night, April 24th at the Bob Wills to come out and hear the great Center. Come and enjoy an music by some of the world evening with some of the origi-

Larry and Charles are always on hand to help their dad with April 25, 1998 the Turkey bases and took on many jobs.

enjoyed the many friends they you desire. have made over the years and Bar-B-Q Lunch their primary goal to keep the wonderful music of Western Served At 11 Swing going on forever.

Texas Playboys At Football Field

Former Texas Playboys will great barbecue lunch give a concert for anyone who Bob WIIIS Day cares to come out to the Football Field at 2:30 Saturday afternoon. Parade 10:00 Dr. Charles R. Townsend will be

All former Texas Playboys in attendance will be entertaining from the bandstand for the after-

Bring you lawn chair and join in the festivites with your friends and neighbors.

sium itself. The first time an Midnight in Turkey

At 11 p.m. Saturday evening, the Bob Wills Cafeteria will be the site for breakfast.

It should be pleasant to sit a spell after attending the dance and enjoy a midnight breakfast A contest for fiddlers will be- before heading home for the

At 9 p.m. to 12 midnight the Fiddlers of all ages and from Former Texas Playboys will be nal Texas Playboys.

Machine Cranks Up For Bob Wills

A steady hum of activity has been going on for the last week in the little town of Turkey. If you listen closely, you can hear road maintainers, saws lopping off branches, backhoes picking up dirt, trucks loading branches and other debris, lawn mowers going, and people cleaning their yards. There are all kinds of buzz and strategic planning sessions taking place. This giant machine has been cranking up, getting ready for the 27th year of Bob Wills Day.

Monday Don Turner was in charge of a group of people --young, middle-aged, you name it. One young man, Larry, from Dallas, came down a week too early, so decided to "pitch in" before he rode his bike in Caprock Canyon and attends the celebration. Assignments were made to cover all parts of the town for trash pickup. Some people drove pickups, ran errands, some carted cold drinks around, others noted areas that needed special treatment. At one time, this place sounded like "buzz-saw, weed-eating city." But what a wonderful sound when it means citizens have enough pride to improve their town

Arts and Crafts

Early Saturday morning many artisans will be exhibiting their wares at the Bob Wills Center and under the large tents for everyone to view. There will be crafts which will please everyone. As they say "Something for ev-

Lions To Sponsor Pancake Breakfast

Starting at 6 a.m. on Saturday, whatever they assign to him and Quitaque Lions Clubs will be in the many years that they have serving pancakes to one and all worked with the Cowboy Sympo- at the Bob Wills Cafeteria. This sium, they have touched many event will kick off the beginning of the 27th annual Bob Wills Day They love Western Swing, love Celebration. Come out join the working with people and have Lions and eat all the pancakes

Starting at 11 a.m. a barbecue lunch will be served to the public at the Bob Wills Center. Come out and join your friends for a

Floats, riding clubs, antique morning for the Bob Wills Day

Dusty Hill at 806/423/1424.

At 10 a.m. the parade will begin its trek down main street in Turkey. If you can't enter the parade come on out and enjoy eeing the many floats and riding clubs entered.

Autograph Party Jam Session

On Thursday evening, April 23, at 8 p.m. come to the old high Saurday Night school gym in Turkey to meet and boys. Music will continue until

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Good Guy Award

The Good Guy Award should go to all the volunteers who showed up to help with the clean POST OFFICE AND BANKS up at Turkey for Bob Wills Day

At one time, downtown Tur-

Not only did the young, the old, and the in-between citizens be piled into the cracker box to be show up to help but one traveler picked up by any patrons when they stopped at Allsups, and joined in rode by. The tin cup was for all cash the clean up.

All these many volunteers are greatly appreciated. Turkey is looking great -- Let's keep it that distance from the present Hall

McLean of Scotland **Book Available**

Mr. Duncan McLean of A cracker box was set in the liv-Orkney, Scotland has competed ing room. It held both the incoming his book "Lone Star Swing, On and outging mail. A cigar box held the Trail fo Bob Wills and his stamps and cowboys passing that Texas Playboys.

the prestigious Somerset tin cup. Maugham Award in 1993. He is also a script writer for stage and television.

His new book will be available this year at Bob Wills Day. Come by and get his autogrpah on this brand new book about the life

HONESTY ABOUNDS IN EARLY

Back in the early days of the pan-At one time, downtown Tur-key reportedly looked like a chain-saw feed frenzy was going post offices might be no more than a cracker box and a tin cup. Mail only arrived once or twice a week by hack from the nearest rail point. It would

> receipts The first post office designated for Turkey was on Turkey Creek, some County town of Turkey. Alfred P. Hall was named the first Postmas-ter. Uncle Johnny Gist succeeded him as postmaster and later Mrs. R. W. Officer, Mr. Gist's sister held the

way helped themselves, dropping McLean has been presented money to pay for the stamps into the

> --------**Bob Wills Day** April 25, 1998 Turkey, Texas

If the postmaster was not at home the cowboys just helped themselves. If they were hungry, they prepared a meal, washed the dishes and went

on their way.

No need to worry about bookkeeping in the post office, the money and stamps always balanced. How about

that for honesty!

Many a fruit jar buried in the back yard or an old trunk for the silver dollars was how many "banked" their money in the early days. Not that it was all that safe. In 1928, the Farmers and Merchants State Bank was started in Turkey, under the management of L. C. Edwards. Mr. Edwards was from Terrell, Oklahoma. His daughter, Miss Geraldine Edwards assisted him in the bank. She later became Mrs. Elmer Lacy. Later R. V. Payne headed the bank with cashier Frank Smith's help.

Kindergarten Registration

Kindergarten registration for the 1998-99 school year will be Friday, May 1, 1998, from 9:00 a.m. to 1 1:00 Please bring birth certificate, shot record and social security num-

Twenty Seven Years of Western Swing

eleprated in Turkey This Weekend.

Twenty seven years ago a new tra-The Bob Wills Foundation was organized and began to honor a "home town boy", Bob Wills. Saturday, April 29, 1971 was the first parade in downtown Turkey for the Bob Wills Day. This was the beginning of the event which is now know world wide. Crowds have been estimateed as high as 16,000 in 1989. The crowds have come to the festival in rain, cold or high winds. They came with the intention of enjoying once again the western swing music of the King of Western Swing, Bob Wills.

A barbecue meal has been prered at noon each year to serve the hordes who come to the celebration In 1972 they not only had beef but had some buffalo barbecue to serve to 2,000 people. It was estimated that they served 5,000 in 1978. In 193 the noon barbecue served 2,500 whle only 700 were served at an

Wills who was born in Limestone Conty, Texas on March 3, 1905 moed to Turkey in 1914 with his paints, John and Emmaline Foley Wis. At the age of 10 he played for hisirst dance and for the next four teelyears he spent many an evening plaing for ranch dances.

star another band and from there For entry information call he ant to Oklahoma where his band beche known as the Texas Playnny Lee and Billy Jack Wills for Turkey and the Bob Wills Celebration.

andeveral members of the band Bob honor in 1971. By this time he vs confined to a wheelchair.

four n entered the old fiddlers contest State Representative Phil Cateof Lefors, led the invocation and die J. Leary of Childress led

Dace--7 p.m.

TISaturday night dance featurii Jody Nix and the Texas Cowys will start at 7 p.m.

on out and join the rest of thBob Wills fans and have an itresting evening of Western ang music.

the pledge to the flag. Giving honor old John Wills home. Bob Wills unern music by orginating this type of music in the 1930s were State Representatiave Tom Chrisitan who represented Governor Preston Smith. Bill Buxton represented Gov-ernor David Hall of Oklahoma, cited Bob Wills for this contribution to

Western Swing Music. The Turkey Square Dance Club gave a dance exhibition in 1972 before the western swing dance began

In 1973 the group added the queens contest. Kim Ham reigned as the first queen of Bob Wills Day coming in first from a field of about 30 young ladies. It was later recalled that when Bob Wills came back to Turkey to barber, he worked with Clayton Ham. Clayton was Kim Ham's grandfather.

A marker was dedicated to be placed 14 miles north east of Turkey on FM 657, one mile west of the

veiled the memorial for his old home.

Only 20 floats and riding clubs ere entered in the parade in 1973. In 1976, 50 entries were in the parade. In 1989 15 to 20 wagon from the wagon train participated in the parade. In 1974 Nags and Hags Riding Club won the riding club award while in 1978 the winning float was the Valley FFA. "Down Home Between the Rivers." The dance committe float won first place out of 35 entries in 1980. "San Antonio Rose" float won the honors in 1986. In 1989 the Turkey Lions won first with their float while an esti-Miss April Stephens, of Quitaque, was queen that year.

Each year they have had an old fiddlers contest. In 1973 twenty-two entered. In 1997 twenty-two entered from Texas, California, New Mexico, Oklahoma and Arkansas with ages

MARKA

By Eunice McFall

Not only is Bob Wills Day Fast approaching but it is just about here! Many trailers and fans have already arrived in Turkey to begin enjoying the fun and nortly after he reached his six- festivities of the coming big day. Much hard work has been accomplished teeth year he attended barber before hand so that all can come into town and see the beauty of the town and schol and came back to Turkey to the grace of a small community that wants to put their best foot forward. There wor as a barber. In 1929 he left is no way to acknowledge all the many hands that have made it possible to turky with a medicine show. He have the Bob Wills Celebration on Saturday. All year long behind the scenes begin gathering at the west edge of Turkey at 9 a.m. Saturday Cru Doughboys of Ft. Worth.

He have the Bob Wills Celebration on Saturday. All year long behind the scenes there is work going on to make this one day a year a success for Turkey, Texas.

Much of the work is taken for granted that it will get done, too. Many want b traveled to Waco in 1933 to to enjoy the celebration but do no lift a finger to make it happen. We really need to show our appreciation to those that work so hard without any recognition for their many hours of labor. If you see one of them on the street be sure to tell them that you really do appreciate all the things that they accomplish

This last week there have been many many hands busy trying to put the atteled the Turkey celebration in finishing touches on the celebration. Everyone is trying to catch up on their own personal business so that they can help make this 27th BobWills Celebration a success. If you have not put you "hand to the plow". It is time to The first April celebration only give it some thought and give of your best to those that may need a bit of rest

I would like to say that the turnout for the Senior class on Sunday at the Bob Wills Center was great. The food was wonderful and the people of the area turned out to give the senior class a big boost with the project that they are trying to get off the ground. They deserve a big hand for all the hard work that they put into pulling off the feast. Of course their parents deserve some of the credit too!

We, here at the paper would like to welcome Joyce Guest to the staf and hope that you will give your Turkey news to her so that Turkey Happenings can be put in place in the paper. If you have news, please let Joyce know by Monday evening so she can make the deadline. Welcome aboard Joyce. We are happy to have you with us!

Welcome to Bob Wills Day

WIDE OPEN

By Vince Taylor



"You will never live to see 21" that's what they used to tell me. They being my parents, friends, and enemies, and believe me it wasn't for a lack of trying that I've made it 20 years longer than they thought.

My dad always says I was a pretty good kid till I got my first car, and to tell the truth I don't remember ever getting into much truble until then. It was not new by any means but better than I deserved. After the two week

break in period, meaning breaking mom and dad into the idea of letting me take it out on the town at night, several of my friends and I thought it would be a good night to have a party at the old bridge outside of town. Off we head, drinking and riding in my new car. Bad move huh? Well it didn't take long before I was nearly an expert at driving and drinking or so I was explaining to my friends about the time we left the road. Flying high in the air over a new five-strand barbwire fence into the waiting arms of a lowly mesquite tree. Boy is dad going to be mad now. As I remember the last thing he said before me leaving the house was "Don't be drinking and driving that car around like a wild Indian, son, or I will know He was going to know alright, how could he keep from it? Well, I figured the best thing for me to do is push the car out of the tree, drive back through the fence (jumped over it going in) no gate, no cutters. You ever see what a new fence does to a paint job? Not a pretty sight. When I get back in the road I notice the car is setting kind of funny (frame bent in 16 different places). The muffler and tailpipe bent up backwards under the car made it sound about as rough as it looked with its new scratches all the way over the top. I lived through it, and learned a lesson. Lesson number one, living life wide open can be hazardous to your wallet and your car.

Musuem Open For Turkey Visitors

The Bob Wills Museum will be open during the Bob Wills Celebration for the public to come and see all the many clippings, programs, personal items, books and pictures that have been collected and put on view here at the

Yesteryear

Taken From The Quitaque Post Thursday, April 22, 1948

This and That About One Thing and Another

Just give a fellow a pat on the back and there's no telling how far he'll go. Several weeks ago there was a writeup in the Post from the SCS office, naming Pierce White as the "outstanding farmer" in the county, and Pierce has been scheming ever since to keep that status. Now he has cows which give orange juice. That delicious "Green Spot" orangeade for sale in milk bottles at your grocers, is a White Dairy product.

Try a quart.
Son McCracken has a new carnot quite as modern as his well equipped motorcycle but as slick and smooth as a new one. It is a gift from his grandmother, a 1934 Studebaker. which has been run only 7,000 miles. The car had not been registered since 1940. Bought back in 1934, it was used for a few years, then blocked up and stored away, it simply sat encased in dust until Son and his dad towed it to town Wednesday for a cleaning and tune up. Only two long trips had been made in the car both to see the circus, to Amarillo in 1934 and to Wichita Falls in 1935

Miss Minnie Mae Roberson moved this week into the rear apart-ment in the Womack building which Mr. Womack has just compled re-

decorating.
Morris Wilson returned home this week from a two weeks visit in Mississippi, leaving Mrs. Wilson there

for a longer visit with relatives.
Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Freeman and baby returned Sunday evening from a visit in Odessa. They were accompanied by Mrs. W. C. Everhart who visited here until Tuesday when she left for Lefors.

Mrs. H. B. Settle returned home last Thursday from Dallas where she attended the wedding of a niece, and visit with her daughter and family Mr. and Mrs. Gene Youree at

J. W. Mayfield who had been in the Plainview hospital for several weeks has been moved to the home of his son Buddy Mayfield at Lubbock, and his condidtion is reported



The Valley Tribune, Quitaque, Texas, Thursday, April 23, 1998

OBITUARIES

Texas Irene Miller

Texas Irene Miller, age 90, former Wellington resident, died Monday, April 13, 1998 in Claude.

Graveside services were held at 11 a.m. on Wednesday, April 15, 1998 with the Rev. Derwin Comer, minister of music and youth of the First Baptist Church, officiating. Burial was in Fairview Cemetery,

Wellington, under the direction of Adams Funeral Home

Born July 13, 1907 to Alfred P. and Mae Haley Ann Watson, she married Bill Miller August 29, 1924 at Bonita. He preceded her in death in 1948. She was also preceded in death by one brother, Lucky Watson. She moved to Amarillo in 1960 and had resided there for the last 38

years. She was a homemaker. Survivors include three sons Survivors include three sons, Eddie Miller, Wendol Miller and Donnie Miller, all of Amarillo; five daughters, Jewell Waters of Albuquerque, New Mexico; Laverne Benton of Quitaque; Odell Hunt of Memphis; Gene Mills and Byrel Locklear, both of Claude; one sister of the Memphis of the Provider Wester of the Province of the Provin and a brother, Brendel Watson of Nocona; 23 grandchildren; many great grandchildren and several reat great grandchildren.

Navarre Bain

Service for Navarre Bain, 59, of Amarillo were at 11 a.m. Saturday April 18, 1998 in the First United Methodist Church in Turkey with the Rev. Julius Early, pastor, offici-

Burial was in Dreamland Cemetrery under direction of Myersong Funeral Directors of Turkey.
Bain died Thursday, April 16,

1998 in Amarillo. He was born October 20, 1938 in Lubbock. He graduated from Tur-key High School. He was an owner

operator in the trucking industry.
Survivors include a sister, Jinna Sue Turner of Lockney.

The family suggest memorials to the American Cancer Society, to First United Methodist Church in Turkey or to Crown of Texas Hospice, 100 S. Jefferson, Amarillo 79101.

Bernice Thurman

Word has been received of the death of Mrs. Bernice Thurman of Denton, Texas.

Mrs. Thurman died early Tuesday morning in Denton, Texa

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Graveside services will be at 9:30 in Gainsville, Texas, Wednesday, April 22, 1998. A memorial service will follow at 11 a.m.

Arrangements are by George C. Carrol and Son Funeral Home Mrs. Thurman was an aunt of Billie Jeane Griffin.



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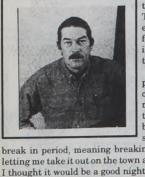
> by Amy Butler On Monday, April 2 Pep Squad held a mee officers for the 1998 There are five officers: President, Elena I president Kristen Ram urer, Amy Stark; re Butler, yell leader, Pai A total of twenty peo cided to participate in p

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What Makes Me Mad:

Pep Squad Officers **Elected at Valley**

on April 16, 1998. New officers

named were Scarlett Sperry, president; Mindy Leal, vice president; Sara Fierro, sec / treasurer, Jessica

and becoming a vet.

Favorite Sport: Football.

Jamie Wellman Alex Hinojosa Parents: Jack and Deborah Best Physical Characteristic:

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Style Of Dress: Casual.

Hobby: Playing the piano.
Pet Peeve: People who smack their Favorite Food: Italian food

Best Subject: Algebra II. Favorite Sport: Track. Favorite Movie: Titanic.

Last Good Book Read: The Firm. My Hero: My mother.

I Always Fall For: Stupid jokes.

Someday I Want To: To become an A Great Night Out: Going to the

If I Were President: I would do

My Favorite Memory: Mission trip to Beeville my sophmore year My Worst Habit: Biting my nails.

My Most Valued Possession: My

If I Could Change Something: I

If I Could Do Anything I Wanted I Would: Go to Texas Tech and get

gree in nursing. Best Advice: You can accomplish

anything as long as you set your Worst Advice: The first drink is always the worst, then after that

Greatest Fear: Losing my family. What I Like Most In High School:

My Future Plans: To go to college and become a registered nurse.

New Year Begins For 1998-99 Pep Squad

by Amy Butler On Monday, April 20, the Valley Pep Squad held a meeting to elect officers for the 1998-99 season. There are five officers; President, Elena Fierro, vice

president Kristen Ramsey, sec/trea-surer, Amy Stark; reporter Amy Butler, yell leader, Paige Nielsen.

A total of twenty people have de-

cided to participate in pep squad. A bright and spirited upcoming year

School Menu

Monday Chicken Strips Potatoes Biscuits Gravy Milk Tuesday Corn Dog Pickles French Fries Milk

Wednesday Brisket Potato Salad Hot Rolls Beans Apricots Milk

Thursday Hamburger Steak Salad Brown Gravy Hot Rolls Milk Friday

Barbecue on Bun Lettuce Pickles Chips Orange Milk

District Tennis Results By Coach Saul

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The doubles team of Jeremy
Taylor and Coy McKay won 3rd
Place at the District Tennis
Meet in Abilene. To qualify for
the District Meet, you had to
win either first or second at the
zone meet. Taylor/McKay
defeated Gibson/Hale
(Aspermont) in their first match
by the score of 7-6, 9-7, 6-0.

In the Championship Match,
Halsell/Owenby (Crowell)
defeated Taylor/McKay by the
score of 6-4, 6-4. In the Playback
Match for second place,
Ellison/Kolb (Aspermont)
defeated Taylor/McKay by the

defeated Taylor/McKay by the score of 6-0, 4-6, 6-4.

ZoneTennis Results Parents: Tomas and Sarah

Best Physical Characteristic: Favorite Pastime: Spending time Pet Peeve: People popping their

Favorite Food: Chicken fried

Favorite Movie: I Know What You Did Last Summer. Last Good Book Read: MacBeth.

I Always Fall For: Good-looking Someday I Want To: Own a big A Great Night Out: Going to

If I Were President: I wouldn't My Favorite Memory: Winning the karate tournament in Amarillo when I was 5 years old.

My Worst Habit: Dipping snuff. Nickname: Ajax. My Most Valued Possession: My If I Could Change Something: I

would have made better grades since my freshman year. If I Could Do Anything I Wanted
I Would: Become a pro football

6, 6-3.

Morgan Payne/Stephen Ortiz
(Valley) def Hinojosa/Smith
(Paducah) 6-1, 6-0.

Halsell/Owenby (Crowell) def.
Payne/Ortiz (Valley) 7-5, 6-4.

3rd Place Match:
Green/Marvel (Motley Co.) def.
Payne/Ortiz (Valley) 7-6, 7-4, 7-5.

Girls Doubles: Best Advice: Don't drink and drive. Worst Advice: Just do it. Greatest Fear: Losing a loved one. What I Like Most In High School:

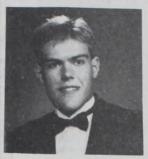
Payne/Ortiz (Valley) 7-6, 7-4, 7-5.
Girls Doubles:
Canales/Timmons (Paducah) def.
Mandy Pigg/Hollie McKay
(Valley) 6-2, 6-3.
Williams/McLaughlin
(Chillicothe) def. Monica Ortiz/
Jessica Ortis (Valley) 7-6, 8-6, 5-7, 6-4. My Future Plans: Going to college McKay

Valley Jr. High Pep Squad elected officers for the 1998-99 season,

Swing to the music of **BOB WILLS** PLAYBOYS



SAM McCLELLAN



JEREMY TAYLOR

Valley Students Take Top Honors In UIL Contests

Four Valley High School stu-By Coach Saul
The Valley Tennis Team competed in the Zone Tournament at Vernon last Tuesday. Teams competing at zone were Chillicothe, Crowell, Paducah, Motley Co., and Valley. Results were;
Boys Singles:
Alex Hinojosa (Valley) def Horn(Chillicothe) 6-0, 6-0.
Van Reenan (Crowell) def. Hinojosa (Valley) 6-1, 6-1.
3rd Place Match:

dents took top honors when they traveled to Munday March 31 and April 3, to compete in the UIL academic contests. Competing with students from ten area schools, the following students will advance to Regional competition held in Levelland April 23 and 24.

Jeremy Taylor placed 2nd in calculators, coached by Jackie Jerkins: Sam McClellan placed dents took top honors when they

Josa (Valley) 6-1, 6-1.

Jones (Crowell) def. Hinojosa (Valley) 5-7, 6-3, 6-0.

Maldonado (Paducah) def. Vance

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Davis.

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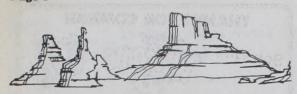
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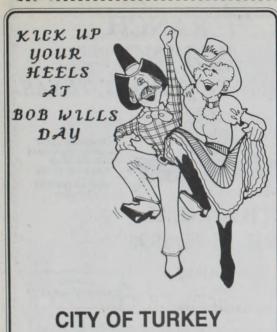
Speaker will be David Freed, PhD, Director of the Alzheimer's Disease Education Program, Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center.

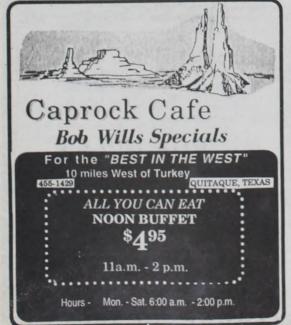
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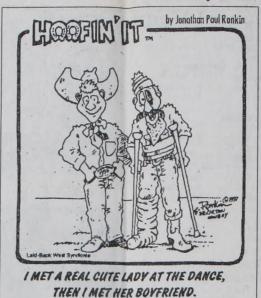












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Nominations Set for Friday At Turkey's Hall Of Fame

by Barry Doss Friday, April, 24th, 1998 at 10 and danning placeure these o'clock, promises to be a big day for the Turkey, Texas Heritage Foundation. That's the day that the nominations are announced for their brand new All Arts Hall of Fame located in their not so new famed historical Gem Theatre in the downtown area.

Hopes are riding on the shoulders of that old structure. Hopes that this old community entertainment center will once again retake its place of glory in the pages of history to become the mecca for the people of the surrounding communities that it as before

First of all nominations will be a blanket nomination of all those wonderful people who donated their time, energy and love to keep the Bob Wills name and Western Swing Music going for twenty seven long golden glorious years. They are the members of the Bob Wills Foundation of Turkey, Texas who originated this program and keep it work

Hall Of Honor Proposed for City of Turkey

Many overviews are being studied concerning the Heritage Hall of Honor in Turkey. How it will work, and what is its purpose is the question. It is the hope of Turkey Heritage Foundation to answer some of these

Most folks have heard that the purpose of the Hall of Honor would be to honor folks who have made contributions to the prestry music. The Heritage Hall will also honor those folks who are interested in the preservation of Country Music -- swing music being the central interest. This of course reflects the heritage of

Members of the Foundation realize this can be a problem. It is hard for folks to separate their against the character of persons who write, sing, and produce the music. There are endless questions as to who should be honored in and among those who enjoy the music, but the main purpose of the Heritage Hall is to preserve the music itself.

Artists who are chosen to be represented here will be encouraged by having their work made mention of or presented.

With this in mind, such stan-

dards would serve those in the future as well as the past. The Hall would also promote interest in the local working artists such as poets, fine arts, craftsmen, and writers.

We encourage all who are interested to write or call the Turkey Heritage Foundation, with suggestions or questions. We invite you to participate in the upcoming presentation of Hank Thompson, sponsored by the Foundation.



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Welcome to the 27th Anniversary of **BOB WILLS DAY** TURKEY, TEXAS Saturday, April 25, 1998 Many of the former Texas Playboys will be featured.

SPECIAL EVENTS

Autograph Party/Jam Session - 8:00 PM to 11:00 PM-meet some of the former Texas Autograph Party/Jam Session
Playboys. \$5.00 per person-old high school gym. Friday, April 24th

Dance - 9 P.M. to 12 midnight at the Bob Wills Center, former Texas Playboys will be featured. \$10.00 per person Saturday, April 25th

Pancake Breakfast - 6:00 AM - ? Turkey/Quitaque Lions Club, all you can eat. Bob Wills Center Cafeteria

Parade - Saturday morning 10:00 A.M. downtown main street Turkey BBQ - Saturday 11:00 A.M. at the Bob Wills Center.

Old Fiddlers Contest - Saturday 12:00 Noon at the Auditorium Center and Gym.

Afternoon Program - FREE! Saturday 2:30 P.M. at the old football field east of Bob Wills Center. The program consists of all the former Texas Playboys present. This will be one of the largest groups ever assembled in one place!! Master of Ceremonies - Dr. Charles R. Townsend Grammy Award winning author.

Saturday Night Dance - 7:00 P.M. featuring Jody Nix and the Texas Cowboys.

Midnight Breakfast - 11:00 P.M. at the Bob Wills Cafeteria

Bob Wills Community Worship Service - 8:30 A.M. at the old football field

ALSO

The Bob Wills Museum - at the Bob Wills Center Mon. - Fri. (year round). Also visit the Bob Wills monument at the West end of Main St.

Bob Wills Foundation Souvenirs - at the Bob Wills Center. Tapes - Records - Caps - T-Shirts - Bob Wills Stamp Cachets

Arts & Crafts - Saturday, many artisans exhibit their wares.

Bob Wills Concessions - East end of Bob Wills Center. BBQ and soft drinks.

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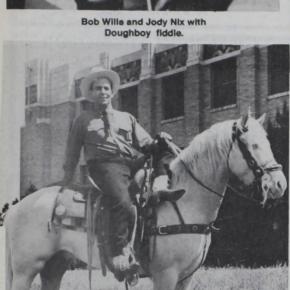
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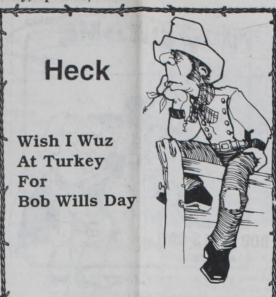


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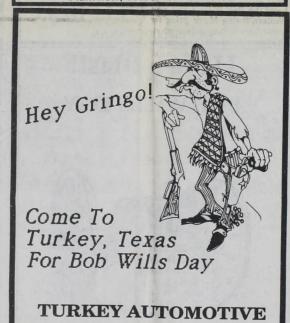
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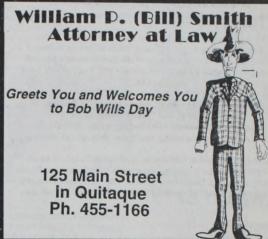


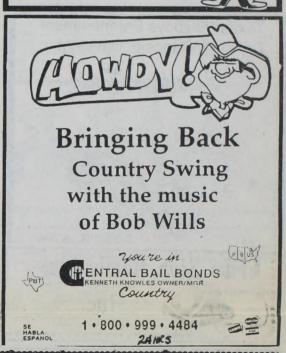
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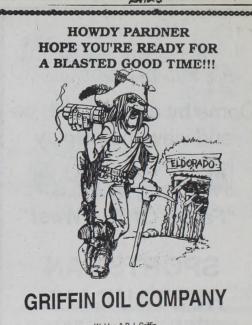
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by Lawana Cruse

I saw the fiddle lying there so silent and so still And the card that pointed out, "This belonged to Bob Wills."
 Then I felt such a sadness, and a tear came to my eye.
 With Bob no longer with us, would his music have to die?

This music that the whole world loves is such a special thing. It sets your heart to singing; we call it Western Swing. His fiddle is now silent, and Bob has gone away But in my heart I know that western swing is here to stay

Last night I had a dream like I have never had before. I had a chance to get a glance inside of heaven's door The angels were all singing, and the music sounded grand. The golden harps and trumpets made you want to clap your hands.

Then all of a sudden, I heard a familiar tone: a fiddle playing,.
an "ahh haa" and "Take it away, Leon."

Next morning when I woke feeling happy as could be,
I knew that western swing would live throughout eternity

Bob plays a golden fiddle now up there in heaven's band. He's got them all a swinging, tapping toes and clapping hands. The music rings from cloud to cloud way up there in the sky And now I know for certain, Western Swing will never die.

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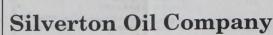
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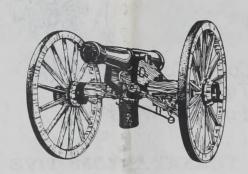
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The Valley

Jon Earl Pigg and 14, 1998, at 6:00 o'clo in Childress. Dr. Jefl The bride is the da Smith and the the lat Scroggins of Amarillo Louise Chandler and O.E. "Babe" Chandler Annginette Beisch dants were D'Ann Bri law of the bride, Tash Mark Huffhines of Kirk Martin of Friend lia, and Cody Gruhlke girls were Raven Jones (cousin of the bride) an ta Martin of Friendswo Kayla is a graduate of degree in Agriculture E

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Good Music Great Time BOB WILL DAY

The Valley Tribune, Quitaque, Texas, Thursday, April 23, 1998

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Mrs. Jon Earl Pigg nee Kayla Meyer

Kayla Meyer - Jon Figg Vows Said In Childress March 14

Jon Earl Pigg and Kayla Jo Meyer were united in marriage on March 14, 1998, at 6:00 o'clock in the evening at First United Methodist Church in Childress. Dr. Jeff Smith, cousin of the bride, of Waco, officiated.

The bride is the daughter of Edwin and JoAnn Meyer of Childress. She is the granddaughter of race Smith of Canadian, T exas, and the late Jim Smith and the the late Bill and Selma Meyer. Pigg is the son of Barbara Scroggins of Amarillo and Mike Pigg of Silverton. He is the grandson of Louise Chandler and John and Delores Pigg, all of Quitaque, and the late O.E. "Babe" Chandler

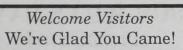
Annginette Beisch of Lubbock served as maid of honor . Bridal atten-Annual control of Libbock served as maid of honor. Bridal attendants were D'Ann Bragg of Galveston; Jeni Meyer of El Paso, sister -in-law of the bride, Tasha Rochelle of Waco, and Calley Payne of Silverton. Mark Huffhines of Hale Center, served as best man. Groomsmen were Kirk Martin of Friendswood, Joe Ramirez of Silverton, Denny Hill of T u-

lia, and Cody Gruhlkey of Kress. Russell Meyer of El Paso and Jimmy Meyer of College Station, (brothers of the bride) served as ushers. Flower girls were Raven Jones of Tulia, (cousin of groom) Kristen Alewine of Ennis, (cousin of the bride) and Layne Smith of Waco, (cousin of the bride. Dakota Martin of Friendswood served as the ring bearer.

Kayla is a graduate of Texas Tech University with a bachelor of science

degree in Agriculture Economics and a bachelor of business administra-tion degreee in General Business. She is employed with W indham School District and TDCJ in Plainview and Tulia. Jon is engaged in farming in

Welcome Visitors & Come Back!





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April 25 Laura Stewart, Carol Ramsey, Bran-

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April 27

Brody Lynn Davis, Rochelle Carnes, Jesse Ferguson, Lori Sisemore Jim Barefield, Tim Kendall, Lewis

Cory Ferguson April 29 Shorty Woods, Don Monk

April 30 Suzie Meyer, Dale Wilks, Zachary John Burson, Byron Young, Prof Patrick, Louise Chandler

Happy Anniversary

April 24 Mr. and Mrs. Hubert Price April 26 Mr. and Mrs. Randy Powell

Mr. and Mrs. Guy Young Mr. and Mrs. Revis Farley

Foundation To Offer Souvenirs

At the Bob Wills Center the At the Bob Wills Center the Bob Wills Foundation will have beyond their boundaries by partici-

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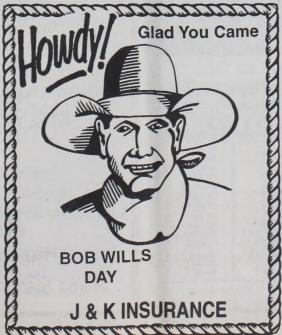
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FHA Members Attend State Conference



JAMIE TAYLOR

Representatives for the alley Chapter of Future Homemakers of America attended the 1998 State Leadership conference along with 4,000 members and advisors form

"FHA/HERO: Out of this World!" vas the theme of the 1998 meeting held April 16-18.

Attending from alley were Jamie Taylor, state officer candidate; Amy Stark, Japanese Exchange representative and STAR event contes-tant; Elena Fierro, Mindy Proctor, and Kristie Leal, STAR award con-testants; Tiffany Woods, voting delegate; and Kathy Taylor, FHA advi-

a booth with tapes, records, caps, pating in FHA/HERO programs and t-shirts, etc available to the pubprojects that develop creative and critical thinking skilss, family com-munication skills, practical knowl-

Bob Wills Center with barbecue and soft drinks available during mittee Friday morning being interviewed and questioned about the officer duties. Friday evening. It was announced Jamie will be the State Vice-president of STAR events responsible for organizing the state contests next spring.

Two teams represented Valley at the STAR event contests this year.

Buy Your Bob Wills Souvenirs At The Bob Wills Center

Mindy, and Kristie competed in the Skills for Life contest. They had completed an FHA Project, Youth Exchanging with Seniors, and described how this project helped them develop organization and communication skills they could use during their lifetime. The competition wa tough and neither team placed in

All Valley FHA memebers heard dynamic keynote speakers and en-joyed the two day conference. It was



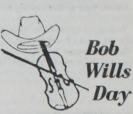
Great-granddaughter Of Local Woman is Winner

Sarah Marie Bentley, daughter of Sherri Jenkins and Wayne Bentley, and granddaughter of Nyoka McGee, all of Odessa, and great-granddaughter of Lavern Benton, of Quitaque, won first place in a baby beauty contest in Odessa recently.

Amy Stark competed in the Illustrated Talk contest, giving a speech about Japanese culture. Elena, the delegates about her experiences in Japan.

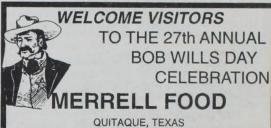


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PMOT NEWS

Brittany has returned home and is reported to be doing fine.

Mrs. Brenda Cruse and daughter, Leah, her mother, Mrs. Marihelen

Wason of Matador and sister and

daughter, Mrs. Charla Marricle and

Shahala of Snyder enjoyed a pre-Easter visit and entertainment in

Lubbock, Friday, April 10. Luncheon guests, Sunday of Mrs. Tommie Jo Cruse were Mr. and Mrs.

J. D. Nance of Silverton, Mrs. Dona Browning of Rising star and Mrs.

Browning of Kising star and Mrs. Sylvia Lee Martin of flomot. Larry Clay returned home Wednesday from Methodist Hospital in Lubbock and is having out patient

medical treatment on his injured ankle. He visited in Panhandle, Fri-

day with Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Metcalf and accompanied home his children,

Kelsey, Tanner and Sarah who visited there the past week.

Sunday with his grandparents, Mr.

and Mrs. Howard Rogers.
Art Green visited in Plainview,

Sunday with his daughter, Mrs. Alta

Mr. and Mrs. Wendell Morris vis-

ited during the week in Breckenridge with son and family, Mr. and Mrs.

Tommy Morris and Lane. Mrs. Chad (Cindy) Calvert of Lub-

bock visited overnight Sunday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Clois

Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Hunter were

in Lubbock, Tuesday for medical appointments and had lunch with Anita and Brad Carter. They at-

tended the Wild Flower presentation at the M. C. Library in Matador Sun-

day afternoon.
Mr. and Mrs. Wilburn Martin vis-

ited in Floydada, Tuesday with Mrs. Bessie Martin.

Clifton Reid and Christina and in Canyon with Mr. and Mrs Michael

for Aleda a dental appointment. vis-

iting the Ross family, Sunday were

Patsy Herrington flew to Austin

Thursday, April 9, to help welcome

and care for her new granddaugh-ter, Betsy Claire Welborn. She was

joined Saturday evening by her hus-band, Ross. After Easter servicesd,

the family had Easter dinner at the home of Ron and Kim Eudy. Mar-

Ross and Patsy returned home

If Your Vehicle is Worth

Elisa and Stan Wigley of Lubbock.

Visitors in home

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Ross and Aleda

were in Lubbock, Wednesday

Mae Rice.

Paul Roberts of Lubbock visited

OVERHEARD

Paul Harvey: "Golfers who are buried on Tuesday, Thursday or Sunday have very few friends attending

Attend Texas Cotton **Ginner's Convention**

the 91st annual Texas Cotton Ginner's Association convention held from Wednesday until Saturday at the Memorial Civic Center in Lub-

It was estimated 6000 ginners, growers and industry representatives saw almost 200 exhibits. Theme for the event was "Ginning Toward the Millennium". It was held in conjunction with 41st annual

Leah Cruse Presented Chi **Omega Sorority Award**

Leah Cruse of Flomot, student at West Texas A&M University in Cann, was presented the Chi Omega Outstanding Freshman Award at the Chi Omega Founders Day Luncheon, Saturday, April 4, 1998. She is vice president of the Sorority.

It was held at the Ambassador Hotel in Amarillo. Her mother, Mrs. Darrell (Brenda) Cruse of Flomot and her maternal grandmother, Mrs. Marihelen Wason of Matador at-tended the luncheon and presenta-

Celebrates Birthday

Mrs. Mollie Burleson of Floydada red on her birthday, Thursday, April 16 with a luncheon and all the trimmings at the Stickland's Cafe in Lockney.

Those sharing the happy occasion were Mary Ellen Barton, Viola Stinson and Mrs. and Mrs. Ronald Clay of Flomot and Mrs. Marisue Potts, Mrs. Lou Burleson and neighborhood friends of Floydada.

Has Surgery

Brittany, daughter of Lucretia and Breck Dockery of Vernon, had ureter surgery Wednesday, April 15 at United Regional Hospital in Wichita Falls. Her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Johnson were with the family from Tuesday until Thursday. Kala Johnson of Floydada



Betry Claire Welborn

Bud and Lisa (Herrington) Welborn are the proud parents of a baby girl, Betsy Claire, born Wednesday, April 8, and weighing 8 lbs. 7 oz. She

Angela Eudy, and Gunner also enjoyed the dinner with them. Grandparents are Doris Mimms and Johnnie Welborn, Vernon; and Ross and Patsy Herrington, Quitaque. Also a great-grandmother, Nan

Turkeu Happenings and Mrs. James May of Quitaque were with the family on Thursday.

by Joyce Guest Accolades have to go to Ann Coker- a retired teacher volunteer who has done a superb job of writing and submitting news for the town of Turkey for a number of years. It takes a special person to assume that responsibility for 52 weeks, year af-ter year. THANKS, ANN!!!

Most of you know me, Joyce Guest (Alpha Joyce Mullin), from years ago. I was born and reared here by Horace and Lillian Mullin. After an absence of 45 years, I moved back in July of 1995 to be with my parents, and to live in a laid-back community. It only stays laid-back for a short period of time. It's not long until you find out that there are many, many jobs to do. Submitting the news is one that I've agreed to try - so get your news to me. Our news column will only be as good as what you let me know about. Continue to leave news at the City Hall, my house at 500 Lyles or call 1-806-423-1128.

Mable Morse, Rita Guest, Betty House and Beth Mills are enjoying some bridge playing fishing and R&R at Betty's cabin in Llano. They left Friday for a few days.

Harvey Mullin of Gunbarrel was ere for the funeral of Navarre Bain. He also enjoyed spending time with his parents Hoss and Lillian. Hoss had not felt well the last few days but recuperated enough to beat his sons, Dean and Harvey, playing "Hand and Foot." another day, an-

other time, you guys.

The U. F. Cokers recently returned from a trip to Ruidoso where they visited with their daughter and family, Linda and Mark Hamilton and sons, Zach and Josh. They enjoyed watching their grandsons play soccer and baseball and seeing the Hamilton's new home

Jack and Nada Starkey were in Amerillo, Monday, April 13 and again, Tuesday, April 21 for medical appointments. They visited Mrs. While there they met the Ruidoso basketball coach who used to be at Lazbuddie. He definitely remem-bered one Valley football player, Kirk Saul, and asked about him. Coach Saul had certainly impressed him.

On their way home they stopped at Allsups in Elida for cokes and met Gerald and Beck Lane there. They were on their way home from visiting with their daughter, Oleta, and family. Gerald and Becky live in

Also inside Allsups they met Alvin Ivory, a former Quitaque resident. Alvin was driving a WalMart truck and lives in Amarillo. The five had

a great reunion in Elida, N.M.
Dona Browning of Rising Star has been in town for a few days visiting with Foye Lane, Hoss and Lillian, Bea Mullin, Leo Bert (all of whom have been sick) and other relatives and friends. She's staying with her daughter, Tommie Cruse of Flomot.

Virginia Degan had several visi-tors in her home during the time of Navarre's memorial. Susie Dunlap, friend of Navarre's from Amarillo visited. Other visitors were her niece, Tommie Lard, formerly of The Valley Tribune, Quitaque, Texas, Thursday, April 23, 1998

ily of Amarillo, Mr. and Mrs. Mike Prather and family of Amarillo, Mr. and Mrs. Mark McKnight and family of Amarillo, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Turner from Washington state, Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Turner from Amarillo, Billy Joe and Jena Sue Turner and family from Lockney, Tim Parker and families from Canyon and a son, Kevin Turner from Dal-

Kim Coker Receives Honor

The Texas Ag Industries Association gave awards to a number of its members for outstanding accom-plishments recently.

Kim Coker, President of Texas Liquid Fertilizer, was awarded the Harry P. Whitworth Political Activ-ity Award. Mr. Coker lives in

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Vinita and Guss Hrneir returned home Sunday night from Rosenberg, Texas where they had attended the funeral of Guss' sister, Janie Jakubik

Jimmy and Clara Ruth Davidson spent the weekend with their son and children, Jimmy Don, Jena and Willie Davidson at Sterling City.

Visitors in the home of Joe Edd and Janelle Smith for Easter were Carter, Jana, Megan and Barbee Trew from Lubbock; Joe Kirk, Angie and Dakota Smith of Shallowater; Jeana, Micah, Jordon and Tyler Simmons from Shallowater and Ike and Thelma Smith of Amarillo.

Turkey Senior Citizens News

by Oleta Randell
At their last meeting the Turkey Senior Citizens had 21 members and two guests, Max and Nellie Temple of Oklahoma present. (See, I've been telling you local people that people come from out-of-state just to attend our meetings and eat some delicious

Several of the members were absent, but we are hoping everyone can be at the next one which will be April 28th at 6 o'clock. Everyone is invited to join the group then for an evening of fun and fellowship. See you there.

Hardwick Turns 100 Ruby Hardwick will turn 100

years old the 23rd of april. She now lives in Sacramento, California in a nvalescent center. She lived in Turkey for many years

She has two daughters that live Sacramento

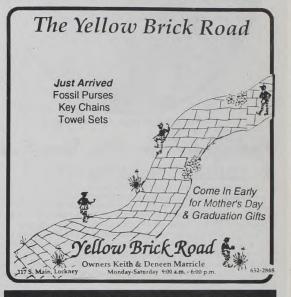
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Six hundred residents, alongside neighbors from the nearby town of Quitaque, wash storefront windows, sweep streets and plant flowers to spruce up for the special event.

It's a small town, but arms open wide to welcome 6,000 to 10,000

guests each year.
People start to arrive about mid-April to find hookups for their vans and motor homes and visit with other fans. They come to hear the music of the Texas Playboys, four of whom played with the original group Bob Wills formed in the '30s.

One night during Dust Bowl times, so the story goes, Bob Wills was driving a friend home in his open roadster from a dance. The blowing dust was suffocating. "I'm leaving this country, and I'm gonna

make it good," Wills supposedly said.

True to his word, the musician left and made it good, becoming known in ensuing years as the King of Western Swing.

Wills was inducted into the Country Music Hall of Fame in Nashville Tennessee, and into the National Cowboy Hall of Fame in Oklahoma City. He played his fiddle in 12 cow-boy movies and with his Texas Play-

boys, made 500 recordings.

But Wills never forgot Turkey, Texas, nor did Turkey ever forget him. Wills returned to visit when he was in the area, sometimes giving concerts. And dancers in Turkey often put nickels in jukeboxes, also called nickelodeons, to play his

His parents were too poor to pay for music lessons, but his family exposed Wills to music from the start. His father and uncle were fiddlers, and they taught Wills to play traditional breakdown music

For years, the family picked cotton to survive. It was a hard life. As Wills worked, he listened to black cotton pickers sing mournful blues songs they seemed to compose as they went. At night, they played blues and jazz on instruments while everyone in the cotton camps gath-

everyone in the cotton camps gaun-ered to listen and take part.

"The Wills family settled in a fringe area that lay between farm-ing lands and ranching lands," wrote Dr. Charles R. Townsend, in his book San Antonio Rose: The Life and Mu-

In a scenic little town on the wellern plains of Texas, folks spend many
hours preparing for the last Saturwhere horses, cattle and cowboys
were a way of life. That area and famous ranching areas in the world, thousands of people come each year It's Bob Wills Day in Turkey, lifestyle would affect his (Bob Wills) own and deeply mark his musical

> Years later, the young man who played second fiddle took that basic frontier folk music, embellished it with jazz and popular music idioms, and gave Texas, the Southwest, and finally the world a new kind of mu-

During last year's Bob Wills Day in Turkey, Townsend served as Mas-

"Bob Wills' music is making more money than ever," Townsend told the festival crowd. "More people listen before. Garth Brooks, Reba McEntire and George Strait are some of the people who play his mu-

"It is being played in Belgium, Scotland and England, and people from those countries visit Turkey on

Turkey is a place where horses, cattle and bandy-legged cowboys are a part of life. Naturally, the festival reflects this Western style.

A Friday night dance starts the celebration, with music played by the Texas Playboys. Dancers wear cow-boy boots, blue jeans, bandannas, denim dresses and cowboy hats.

Saturday morning there's a parade with horses, riding clubs, cowboys and musicians. They pay tribute to Bob Wills, his music, the Old West and today's ranching industry. It's a taste of both the past and the

A hearty catered lunch always features favorite regional dishes such as barbecued beef, pinto beans,

potato salad, corn bread and iced tea. After the meal, there's an Old Fiddler's Contest. But contestants needn't be old. Entrants represent a wide range of ages. They come from all over Texas, and other states, too. The most popular fiddling tune judging from years past, is Faded

The Texas Playboys perform a concert in late afternoon on the town's football field. The concert's free, and the people bring their own chairs. Children, middle-aged folks and seniors all tap their toes, scoot their boots in the grass and sing along as the band plays San Anto-nio Rose, Faded Love, Ida Red and

Bob Wills Day began in 1972, and to Turkey to enjoy this festival. Why does his music go on and on? And, in a larger sense, why is a new gen-

country western style? Maybe there's a longing in each of us for a bit of the Old West's drama. Maybe people keep coming back to Turkey because Bob Wills though he died in 1975 - is still the King of Western Swing. And no one's

eration of listeners embracing his

usic has replaced his. After the last note is played, the festival over and the guests gone home, Turkey returns to a quiet town where life is simple, and folks say "Howdy" to you on the street, whether they know you or not.

Turkey welcomes guests year round, but the last Saturday in April is the town's special day, when Bob Wills' music plays on and on.

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another stroke and could not attend the Bob Wills Celebration at Turkey, Texas held in honor of him

Jack Bell and Gus Timmons carried the flags for the parade that year. Bill Mack, of WBAP fame announced the parade while Susie Parker of Silverton reigned as queen. Hoyle Nix and his band of Big Spring were the band for the dance that

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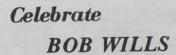
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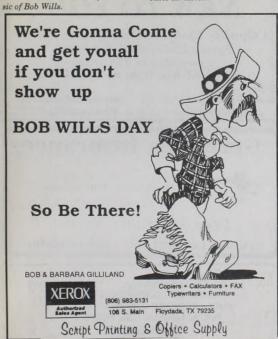
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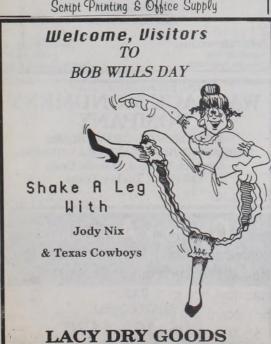
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I would like to take this time to thank everyone for the food, cards, gifts and all the prayers during my surgery, each and everyone touched a place in my heart. I am truly blessed and proud to live in a community where people care.

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