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Burn Ban Is On In Callahan County Commissioners Sign Order July 26

During an open meeting on July 26, Callahan County Commissioners voted unanimously to order the Burn Ban in place in all unincorporated areas of Callahan County.

The motion was made by Commissioner Holland and seconded by Commissioner Farmer.

Burn Ban regulations are effective as of July 26, 2004 until further notice.

The order is violated if a person "burns any combustible material outside of an enclosure which serves to contain all flames and/or sparks, or orders such burning by others."

A person also violates the order by engaging "in any activity outdoors which could allow flames or sparks that could result in a fire, or orders such activities by others."

Not in violation of the Burn Ban order is the setting of any outdoor fire if, prior to the setting, permission to stage a Prescribed Burn from the Natural Resources Conservation Services has been obtained.

The setting of any outdoor fire is not in violation if, prior to the setting, permission has been obtained "of the appropriate volunteer Fire Chief or the Callahan County Sheriff. In this instance, the Fire Chief or Sheriff will have the authority to set the conditions, restrictions, and or precautions which must be observed."

The burning of prickly pears as a food supplement for livestock is not a violation, if a person "first obtains the permission of the appropriate volunteer Fire Chief or the Callahan County Sheriff. The Fire Chief or Sheriff will have the authority to set the conditions, restrictions, and or precautions which must be observed."

Violations of the Burn Ban Order "may be prosecuted in accordance with the statutes and procedures governing misdemeanors, punishable by a fine not to exceed \$1,000 and/or up to 180 days in jail."

Further, the order "may be enforced by any duly commissioned peace officer, and that the venue for prosecution of violation of this order will be the County Courts at Law of Callahan County, Texas."

Also on the agenda of the July 26 meeting was the discussion and appointment of a MHMR Board Trustee for Callahan County.

Doug Ford, who has served the county as a trustee for four years, said he would have to decline a reappoint-

ment.

He said that he appreciated the opportunity to serve Callahan County, that it had been an "eye opening experience", but that he had too many obligations at the moment.

Ford recommended Vicky Hicks be appointed for the position.

He commented that Ms. Hicks works for MHMR and has lots of inside knowledge.

"We [the court] appreciate you serving and representing the county," Judge Roger Corn said.

Judge Corn added that the court understood Trustee Ford's situation completely.

Commissioner Holland made a motion to appointed the recommended person to the position of MHMR Board Trustee for Callahan County.

Commissioner Farmer seconded the motion. The motion carried with a 3-1 vote.

As renewal time was approaching for the County Health Insurance Plan, Don Morris of Blue Cross presented several option plans to the Commissioners' Court.

Giving a little background, Morris said that in the past, a HMO plan was more cost effective; a PPO plan less restrictive, but more expensive.

Due to changes, however, he continued that HMO is no longer cheaper.

Currently the County is paying \$440 per month, Morris said. With an average 16.1 increase, this amount would increase to \$513 he added.

Under a PPO plan, Morris continued, employees would co-pay for doctor office visits and drugs. The deductible for a calendar year is \$100, after which the PPO plan would pay 90% of claims. Should costs for medical care go over \$1,100 in a calendar year, the PPO plan would pay 100%, he said.

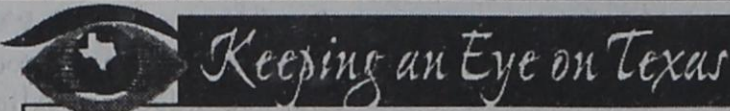
Judge Corn mentioned that sometimes employees had been referred to other doctors, who would not accept the HMO plan. "I personally like having options," he said.

Morris told the Court that employee meetings would be held to give information about the PPO plan, which would start September 1, 2004.

Commissioner Farmer made a motion to accept the PPO plan. Commissioner Holland seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous.

Further on the July 26, 2004 agenda: The polling place for the Cross Plains Election Precinct #4 was

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Get Ready To Save

Texas shoppers get a break from state and local sales taxes on August 6, 7, and 8—the state's sixth annual tax holiday. Lay-away plans can be used again this year to take advantage of the sales tax holiday.

The law exempts most clothing and footwear priced under \$100 from sales and use taxes, which could save shoppers about \$8 on every \$100 they spend.

For more information, go to:
http://www.window.state.tx.us/taxinfo/taxpubs/tx98_490/tx98_490.html

SOURCES: Texas Comptroller Carole Keeton Strayhorn.



SBA Economic Injury Disaster Loans Available For Disaster Victims

Business in some Texas counties can now apply for low interest Economic Injury Disaster Loans from the U. S. Small Business Administration (SBA).

These loans are available to help businesses meet normal operating expenses that cannot be met due to the effects of a disaster.

Drought and high winds that occurred January 1 - November 25, 2003, caused many farmers and ranchers to experience reduced incomes which may have had an adverse economic effect on businesses depending upon these producers.

Farmers and ranchers are not eligible for this loan program but may be eligible for disaster assistance through other Federal agencies.

However, nurseries that are victims of drought disasters can apply. Businesses in the following counties are eligible to apply: Archer, Baylor, Callahan, Eastland, Haskell, Jones, Know Shackelford, Stephens,

Throckmorton, Young.

To obtain an application or receive additional information, interested business owners may call the SBA too-free at 1-800-366-6303 or TDD 817-267-4688 for the hearing impaired. The deadline for filing an application is December 28, 2004.

Due to the weather, many producers experienced crop losses and were not able to purchase goods and services at normal levels. Businesses that are dependent upon these producers may have experienced decreased sales, reduced gross profit margins, increased accounts receivable or difficulty in moving inventories at normal levels.

The loan can help a business meet installments on long-term debt, accounts payable and overhead expenses that would have been met had the disaster not occurred.

Refinancing of long-term

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Family Land Heritage Program Seeks Historic Farms and Ranches For Recognition

Austin - Agriculture Commissioner Susan Combs announced that the Texas Department of Agriculture's Family Land Heritage Program is seeking farms and ranches for recognition by the Family Land Heritage Program, which marks its 30th anniversary this year. Since the first ceremony on Oct. 14, 1974, the program has honored almost 3,900 farms and ranches in 222 counties for being kept in continuous agricultural production by the same family.

"These families have nurtured life from the land to make a future for their children, all the while making their mark in Texas history," Combs said. "The Family Land Heritage Program honors their contributions to the

settlement of the Lone Star State. It also chronicles the unique history of Texas agriculture, a proud record that otherwise might be lost forever."

To be eligible for the program, the farm or ranch must meet these qualifications:

* The farm/ranch has to have been agriculturally productive for 100 years or more and the line of ownership traced from the first family member to the present, either through direct relatives, marriage or adoption.

* The land must fit the old U. S. Census definition of a farm: 10 acres or more with agricultural sales of \$50 or more a year; or if less than

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!!Attention!!

**A Burn Ban Is In Effect
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School Board Agenda Includes:

Insurance Bids, Hiring Of Personnel

The Baird Independent School District Board of Education met in Regular Session on July 20, 2004 with the following members present: Kenneth Brock, Jim Dyer Windham, Jr., Joe Clark, Allen Wilson, Gerry McDowell, and Matt Rogers. Burke Robinson was absent. Other school personnel present were Cliff Gardner, Al Hunter, Martha Lynn, Lana Walls, and Sandra Carter. Others present: Troy "Butch Smith and Al Pickett.

Kenneth Brock called the meeting to order at 7:31 P.M. Gerry McDowell gave the invocation.

Mr. Smith spoke to the board about the upkeep of the baseball field. He is requesting that he be able to use the schools lawn equipment and he will donate his time to help keep the field maintained.

Superintendent Report - Mr. Gardner reminded the board of the TASA/TASB school board convention in Dallas on Sept. 17-20, 2004. The IFA money was not allocated to Baird ISD, so there will be no bond sales for a new elementary school. Mr. Gardner would like to consider moving the seventh and eighth grades back into the Junior High wing and be separate from the High School. August 13, 2004 is the cookout for all employees and their spouses

and children at Shady Oaks at 6:30 P.M.

A motion to approve the minutes from the previous meetings was made by Kenneth Brock and seconded by Joe Clark. Vote was unanimous.

A motion to approve the bills for July was made by Gerry McDowell and seconded by Allen Wilson. Vote was unanimous.

A motion to approve the opening and acceptance of the only Property/Casualty insurance bid for 2004-05 from TASB in the amount of \$16190.00 was made by Allen Wilson and seconded by Gerry McDowell. Vote was unanimous.

The bids for worker compensation were opened. There were two bids - one from Claims Administrative Services for \$7000.00 for one year or for a three-year service agreement the cost would be \$6300.00 for a partially self-funded insurance. The other bid was from TASB for \$9538.00 for a one-year

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Walter Williams, Baird I. S. D. instructor, history and travel writer, shares fascinating vacation experiences from the Petrified Forest in his article "It's The Land That Makes Us Special!"

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D.P.S. Report

07-18-04 to 07-24-04

Cases Investigated

Warnings - 99
Complaints - 148
DWI - 3
Public Intoxication - 1
Unlawful Carrying Weapon - 1
Possession of Drug Para-

phernalia - 1
Minor in Consumption of Alcoholic Beverage - 1

Accidents

There were 5 accidents investigated during this time span

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Commissioners

amended from City Hall to the Community Center, and the buying of a window unit for D. P. S. Intoxilizer Building was approved unanimously.

Minutes of previous meetings were reviewed and signed without additions or corrections, and approved bills were paid.

There was no public comment at the July 26 meeting.

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Disaster Loans

debt, however, is not eligible under this program.

The loan is designed for those businesses with substantial disaster-related needs and is intended to supplement monies the business owner can provide from other sources.

Loans may be approved for up to \$1,500,000 for actual disaster-related financial needs of the business. Interest rates are 3.324 percent and terms may extend to thirty (30) years, depending upon the repayment ability of the individual applicant.

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School Board

partially self-funded insurance.

A motion to accept the bid from TASB for worker compensation insurance for the 2004-05 school year contingent on clarification from both companies was made by Kenneth Brock and seconded by Matt Rogers. Vote was unanimous.

The student athletic insurance bids were opened. There were two bids - one from Stanley Walker Insurance for \$14000.00. The other bid is from Baker Insurance Co. for \$15000.00.

A motion to accept the Stanley Walker Insurance bid for student athletic insurance bid for 2004-05 contingent upon the clarification of its coverage to include all UIL sponsored events was made by Allen Wilson and seconded by Matt Rogers. Vote was unanimous.

The bids for milk and ice cream were opened. Gandy's Dairies and Borden Co. were the two companies.

A motion to accept milk and ice cream bid from Gandy's Dairies for the 2004-04 school year was made by Kenneth Brock and seconded by Allen Wilson. Vote was unanimous.

The only bid for bread was opened.

A motion to accept the bid for Mrs. Baird's Bread for the 2004-05 school year was made by Matt Rogers and seconded by Kenneth Brock. Vote was unanimous.

A motion to approve the breakfast and lunch prices for 2004-05 was made by Kenneth Brock and seconded by Gerry McDowell. Vote was unanimous.

A motion to approve the Student Handbook for 2004-05 as presented with changes was made by Kenneth Brock and seconded by Jim Dyer Windham, Jr. Vote was unanimous.

A motion to approve the Student code of Conduct for 2004-05 was made by Joe Clark and seconded by Jim Dyer Windham, Jr. Vote was unanimous.

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unanimous.

No action was taken of the Student Athlete Handbook.

There was a discussion of the sale of WADA for the 2004-05 school year.

A motion to approve a long-term disability group insurance for employees of Baird ISD, at \$4.50 per employee per month to be paid by the district was made by Kenneth Brock and seconded by Allen Wilson. Vote was unanimous.

A motion to adjourn to closed session at 9:43 P.M. was made by Kenneth Brock and seconded by Allen Wilson. Vote was unanimous.

A motion to adjourn from closed session at 10:44 P.M. was made by Allen Wilson and seconded by Matt Rogers. Vote was unanimous.

A motion to accept Becky Edington's resignation with regrets was made by Kenneth Brock and seconded by Allen Wilson. Vote was unanimous.

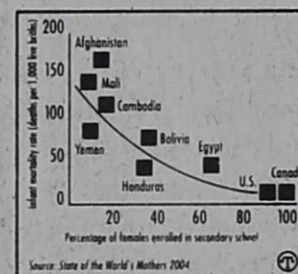
A motion to hire Christy Barnett as the secondary counselor was made by Allen Wilson and seconded by Gerry McDowell. Vote was unanimous.

A motion to hire Barbara Snapp as secondary teacher was made by Kenneth Brock and seconded by Jim Dyer Windham, Jr. Vote was unanimous.

A budget workshop was set for August 3, 2004 at 7:30 P.M.

The next regular meeting date was set for August 17, 2004 at 7:30 P.M.

A motion to adjourn at 10:48 P.M. was made by Kenneth Brock and seconded by Allen Wilson. Vote was unanimous.



A Save the Children study found countries with a higher percentage of girls in school have lower infant death rates.

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Kokomo News

By Zeld Jordan

The rain passed us by, but wasn't the cooler cloudy weather great?

The weatherman is still promising us rain through the next few days, so maybe the rain will come our way yet. Let us pray and hope so.

Bro. W. N. Shipman of Desdemona was the guest preacher at the Kokomo Baptist Church on Sunday morning, bringing a very challenging message to walk in the light and to let that light shine as a witness of Jesus Christ and his love. His wife Billie accompanied him to Kokomo. The choir, under the direction of Woodrow Browning with Glynda Bond at the piano, rendered the special music. Those in the choir were Crystal Snider, Kay Snider, Aletha Burgess, Norma Webb, Sylvia Buchanan, Ruby Lee Kinser, Helen Browning, Oren Webb, Jimmy Little and Joe Bond.

Bro. Clarence and Leona Wilson reported a real good time at the class reunion of the 1954 graduating class of Cross Plains High School that was held at the 4-H Center at Brownwood during the weekend.

Visitors with Delmon and Joyce Eaves were J. B. Neill of Lamesa, Wanda Hart of Oklahoma, Mrs. Hart of Eastland, Mark, Margaret and Preston Eaves of Charlotte, NC, Shirley Clement of Lake Leon, Maxine Huddleston of Lake Leon, David Martin of Ranger, Cliff and Doris Graham of Eastland and Nancy Hendricks.

Steve and Jennifer Klohn of Aubrey visited with Sylvia Buchanan.

Oren and Norma enjoyed a few days at Lake Brownwood.

Arl and Margie Lasater of Carbon, Shorty Treadway of Ranger, Nancy Hendricks and Norma Webb visited with Zeld Jordan.

We extend sincere sympathy to the family of Homer

Sanders of Eastland who passed away on Friday, July 23. His wife, Jannie and

daughters, Tinnia and Brenda were members of the Kokomo Baptist Church when they lived in the Gorman area several years ago.

Have a good week and PRAY for rain.

Men In Service

Air Force Cadet Andrew R. Gilbreath has completed his/her freshman year (first year) of study at the U.S. Air Force Academy, Colorado Springs, Colo.

Cadets attending the academy are offered a four-year program of instruction and experience designed to provide them the knowledge and character essential for leadership, and the motivation to serve as Air Force career officers. Each cadet graduates with a bachelor of science degree and a commission as a second lieutenant in the Air Force.

Gilbreath is pursuing a bachelor of science degree.

The cadet is the son of David and Judy Gilbreath of Sherwood Lane, Clyde, Texas. He is the grandson of Dan and Maudene Gilbreath of Wynrush Circle, Abilene, Texas, and Earle and Lorraine Junkins of Presque Isle, Maine.

He is a 2003 graduate of Clyde High School.

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Volunteering at the Majestic Theatre were the "Frigorous Feisty Females of the Red Hat Society." Pictured from left to right is Kitty Smalley, Addie Walker, Sharon Arther, Gayle Settles, Linda Sadler and Colleen Lamb. Also pictured with the Red Hatters is Ed Allcorn, Manager of the theatre.

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'It's The Land That Makes Us Special'

By Walter Williams

I couldn't immediately understand what made John Chisum, the great cattle baron credited with starting the Chisum Trail fall in love with the seemingly featureless and isolated landscape around Roswell, New Mexico. As a lazy sun slowly warmed the High Plains desert it began to dawn on me. No single thing overtly appealed to the senses. Rather, the combination of pungent air, secluded arroyos, and the hint of the majesty of the Rockies just within sight, all collectively made the land spectacular and impressive.

A life-sized bronze of Chisum in Pioneer Plaza downtown Roswell is a tribute to the man that brought cattle to New Mexico and started a lasting industry. The land was tough in 1867 when Chisum first arrived. An article in the Cattleman in the 1940's portrays one of Chisum's trail drivers commenting on a three day trek without water: "They (the cattle) won't ever make it to Sumner, said one of the cowboys. We'll make it replied the dauntless Chisum with a grim tightening of the tired lines of his mouth and jaw, which in every crisis of his life characterized his refusal to accept defeat." Certainly, John Chisum epitomizes the early settlers in southern New Mexico. According to a local vendor I found selling piñon nuts just outside of Roswell. "It's the land that makes us special. We are tough because the land makes us that way." The land is still tough today, but the abundant natural wonders have made Roswell and the surrounding area a stellar attraction for the traveler.

While in the area, be sure to visit The Bottomless Lakes State Park just 12 miles outside of Roswell on U.S. Highway 380. Gently rolling plains abundant with roadrunners, coyotes and pronghorn come to an abrupt end and drops the traveler from eroded red bluffs down to a series of seven small lakes on the floodplains of the Pecos river. The lakes are actually sinkholes, some as deep as 90 feet. Created when salt and gypsum deposits dissolved forming underground caverns. The ceiling of several of the



Pool above Sitting Bull

caverns collapsed and filled with water. These lakes became the first state park for New Mexico and in 1934 the Civilian Conservation Corp built a structure on Lea Lake. Today several of the lakes are stocked with trout and fishing and camping are permitted. Guests can also swim and scuba dive although some of these activities are limited to Lea Lake. Limited hiking is available, but according to Steve Patterson, the park manager, "We are working on extending our interpretive hiking trails and hope to have it completed soon." Quartz crystals formed inside of gypsum are locally known as "Pecos Diamonds" They are plentiful in the park, but guests are not allowed to remove them. Modern restrooms and full hookups are available. For additional information see <http://www.emnrd.state.nm.us/nmparks>.

Of course, any overnight guest in Roswell must visit the UFO museum on 114 North Main. What happened about 11:50 pm on July 4, 1947 is anybody's guess. Conjectures of government cover-ups, alien invaders as well as extraterrestrial body snatchers are rampant. The museum is free and a narrated cassette tape and player are provided to better understand the exhibits. The final exhibit features one of the original aliens used in the Movie "Roswell". The museum does an outstanding job of creating a timeline of the events that have become known as the "Roswell Incident." For the truly intrigued or Ufologist, an extensive and comprehensive research facility is available with a librarian on duty

during hours of operation. Several gift shops that cater to the curious are within walking distance of the museum.

Take 285 south to NM 137 for a true desert oasis at the foot of the Guadalupe in Lincoln National Forest. Called Sitting Bull Falls, a spring bubbles from the ground forming several open cenotes (pools) absolutely transparent and delightfully cool. The 130 foot waterfall gently cascades over a limestone cliff in several streams but all join at the bottom amid a variety of cattails and native plants forming a unique desert biosphere. The hike to the top of the falls is arduous and not for the faint of heart, but the persistent will be rewarded with a tremendous view of the surrounding peaks. The sinuous stream is visible working its way through the shadowed canyon. In addition, because few people actually hazard the climb, the pools are seldom occupied and a summer dip in the crystal

waters is sure to invigorate the climber. A large sheltered cave is hidden at the bottom of the cliff face. The story is told that one cenote in the cave has an underwater corridor to an adjoining chamber inside the

Top Movies

1. Spider-Man 2 starring Tobey Maguire *Rated: PG-13*
2. Anchorman Will Ferrell *PG-13*
3. Fahrenheit 9/11 Michael Moore *R*
4. King Arthur Clive Owen *PG-13*
5. Dodgeball Ben Stiller *PG-13*
6. Harry Potter and the Prisoner of Azkaban Daniel Radcliffe *PG*
7. White Chicks Marlon Wayans *PG-13*
8. The Terminal Tom Hanks *PG-13*
9. Shrek 2 Mike Myers *PG*
10. The Stepford Wives Nicole Kidman *PG-13*

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TOP VIDEO RENTALS

1. The Butterfly Effect starring Ashton Kutcher (Warner) *Rated: R*
2. Cold Mountain Jude Law (Miramax) *R*
3. Mystic River Sean Penn (Warner) *R*
4. 50 First Dates Drew Barrymore (Columbia TriStar) *PG-13*
5. Monster Charlize Theron (Columbia TriStar) *R*
6. Along Came Polly Jennifer Aniston (Universal) *PG-13*
7. Bad Santa Billy Bob Thornton (Dimension) *R*
8. Barbershop 2 Cedric the Entertainer (MGM) *PG-13*
9. Secret Window Johnny Depp (Columbia TriStar) *PG-13*
10. Paycheck Ben Affleck (Paramount) *PG-13*

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mountain. At some point in the past a nameless Apache warrior, so enchanted with the nirvanic beauty of the canyon, left his weapons on a shelf inside the chamber planning to return at some point in the future. He never returned. I was reminded while at the falls how all travelers are bound together by the places we have seen, the wind gently whistling,

the sun warm upon our faces. Vicariously we can experience and feel the same exaltation experienced by this forgotten warrior or the cowboys from the past. And like them, we can say, "I'll ride the trail till the stars turn pale and camp at the break of dawn. No one will know which way I go, they'll only know I'm gone."



UFO Museum in Roswell, New Mexico

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Consumer: Beware

By Gordon S. Clark

The Latin phrase "Caveat Emptor" is still the law of the market in spite of laws against deceptive advertising and government agencies like the Security and Exchange Commission.

From Wall Street to the grocery store there are sharp practices and people who devise ways to deceive the buyer and circumvent the laws.

Some reason that if the take is far bigger than the fine or short sentence it is worth the cost others simply think they will not be called to account. Some buy fantastic items at company expense while actually believing their position entitles them to live like royalty. I don't know how they separate personal from company property on income tax reports.

But at the grocery? Yes and many are shocked at how they may be deceived.

For instance most folks hear that wheat bread is better for you than white bread. But is it?

To being with almost all bread is "wheat" bread as Americans eat very little rye bread and corn bread is not from the bakery. So what is desired is whole wheat but it is priced a bit higher. Then

comes deception. Some bread looks a bit brown because some graham flour is mixed with the white but it is far from the nutritional value of cracked wheat or whole wheat bread though you still pay a little extra for it.

Some health experts claim a couple table spoons of apple cider vinegar each day is a great health aid. This old variation on, "An apple a day keeps the doctor away" may be valid but buyer beware! Artificial vinegar can be produced in a chemical laboratory by producing acetic acid and adding water. This can be sold to the unwary as you may note two kinds of vinegar with almost identical labels. Big letters proclaim APPLE CIDER at the top and VINEGAR below but on the cheaper bottle the word flavored in the middle in print hardly bigger than you now read.

In my opinion this is deceptive advertising though no court would rule it false. My friend said, "All my life I learned to trust that brand name. I never thought they would cheat me like this."

People who establish dependable products may retire or sell out and new executives cash in on the reputation.

There are laws requiring listing contents of produces.

Eddy blistered his fingers when he touched the trap in the sink drain he was trying to unstop. He knew from high school and college chemistry classes that acids can damage plumbing but he asked, "What is oil of vitriol?" That is what the label of his drain opener said it contained.

Oil of vitriol is the archaic name for concentrated sulfuric acid. He said he had known he would never have used it then asked why they used a word people did not

understand? "Man, you already answered your own question. Had you known you would never have bought it."

What if a product contains spirits in hart's horn? Most of you have used it. Spirits of ammonia is good as a window cleaner but the older chemical names are still valid under the law.

Businesses are only as

honest as they feel they have to be and morality is a scarce item in the market.

Laws are designed to protect the public but they cannot compensate for all youth, inexperience, nor lack of knowledge. It seems that sooner or later to some degree of regret almost everybody meets Mr. U.R. Hooked.

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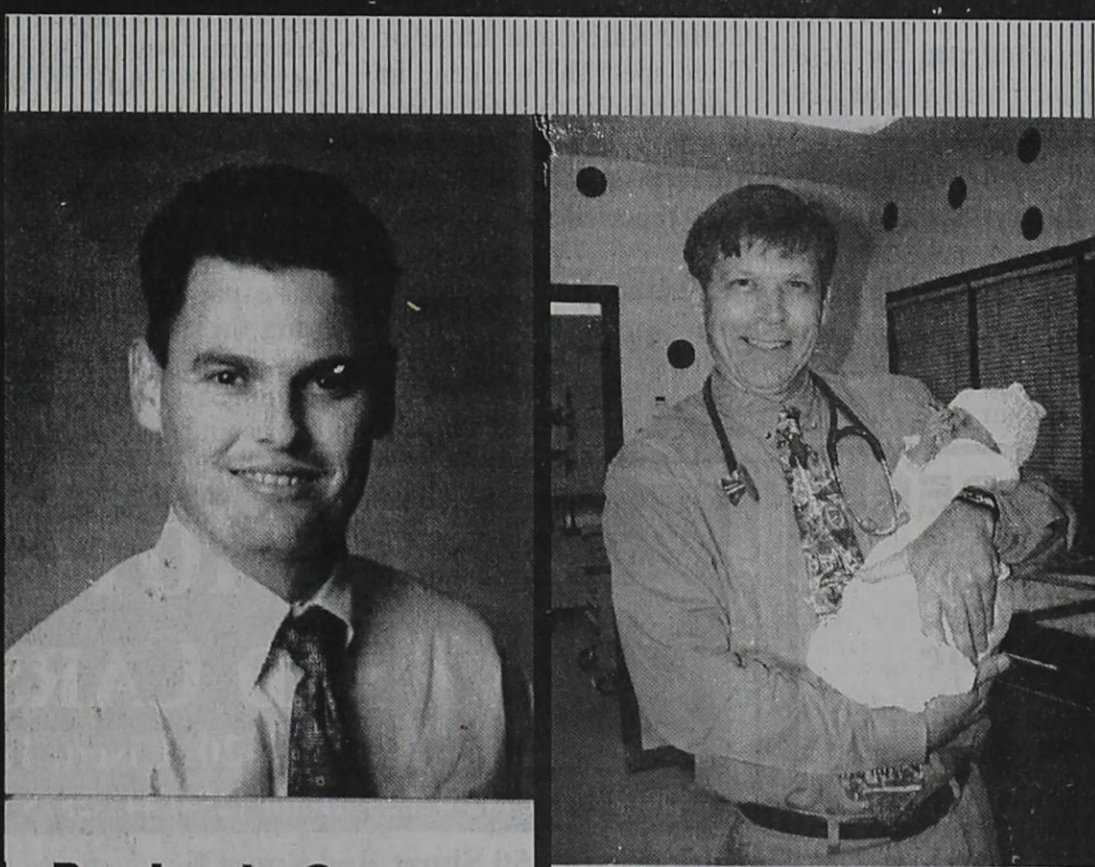
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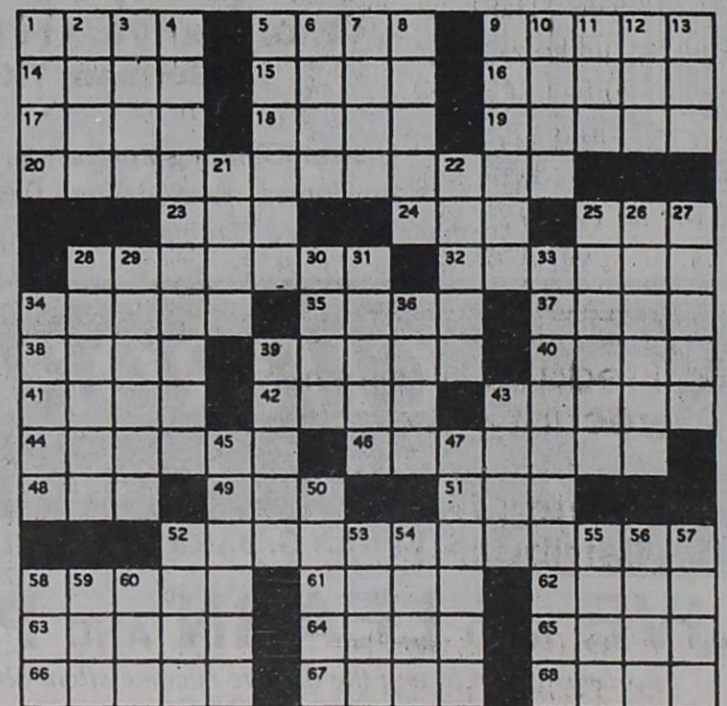
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Dr. Bob Matthews is a 1983 graduate of the University of Texas at Galveston. He is a member of the Texas & American Association of Family Practice. Since 1986, Dr. Matthews has been Board Certified in Family Practice and in practice at the B & W Clinic. His practice includes maternity & child-care. For more information on our Labor & Delivery Department go to: www.eastlandmemorial.com

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Just Remembering

By Jasper Cook

We were building a Liquefied Natural Gas (LNG) plant in Algeria. Our location was on the shore of the Mediterranean Sea, within sight of Arzew Bay where the British and American troops landed during World War II, in their pursuit of the German Officer, Rommel.

Natural gas was received from the Sahara Desert, all the hydrocarbons removed, and the result was pure methane in liquid form. The liquid was approximately 276 degrees below zero. (Fahrenheit)

Our contract called for us to build six units, six individual operations to manufacture the LNG. Each unit was a refinery in itself.

As soon as we completed the first unit, I was chosen to operate the huge control room. There I pushed buttons, flipped switches, and kept check on temperatures and pressures throughout the unit. By pushing buttons I also loaded the LNG on specially built ships.

On one occasion the day shift had started loading one of our ships. The Captain was extremely careless and did not follow proper safety precautions. He failed to slowly

cool the empty tanks on the ship before opening the loading valve. When my evening crew and I arrived at the control room, all the big bosses were there, along with the day crew. They were pulling their hair, cringing with fear, and screaming, "We're all going to die! The tanks are about to explode!"

The ship's hot tanks had caused a pressure backlash and the relief valves on two of our three storage tanks were spewing LNG into the air, and that highly explosive gas slowly dropped down to the ground like a heavy fog. If a vehicle should drive by, or if anything should make a spark, we would all be blown to pieces.

I conducted a brief prayer meeting and suggested we simply shut everything down until the pressures were back to normal. This caused the ship to be late in leaving, but at least we were still around to tell about it.

Even though the job was dangerous, there were things that amused us. One of those things was the fact that the natives had not seen a bathroom shower before.

We had six native young men assigned to us and were

Desdemona News

By Vonnie Guthery

Desdemona Homecoming and School Reunion will be held on Saturday, August 14th at the Community Center (former school building). Morning program will begin at 10 a.m. Noon meal will be catered. Mark your calendar and make plans to attend for an enjoyable day visiting with your former classmates and friends.

Ima Brown visited last Saturday with a friend, Agatha (Genoway) Nance at the Good Tree Apartments in Stephenville. Recent visitors with Agatha were her children, Agatha Lee Hendricksen of Wilmington, North Carolina; Steve Nance of Temple and Don Nance of Stephenville. Agatha is a former resident of Desdemona where she attended school and graduated with the Class of 1934.

"Congratulations" to Ray and Judy Brazell as they will celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary on Saturday, July 31st. They live in the Jakehamon Community near

supposed to teach them to operate the control room, a task that was impossible, because they did not want to learn. They had discovered the shower and each of them took a bath at least five or six times each day. As the water sprayed over them, they would laugh and squeal like little children playing with a

new toy. We had an elderly, native woman for a janitor. She would scream at us if we didn't lift our feet as she swept or mopped the floor. She sometimes had a reddish brown substance on her head. The native men told us she was giving herself a henna treatment to make her hair auburn. She reminded me of some of the grandmas I know in America, trying to look sixteen again.

the Brazell Family Homeplace. Ray started to school in Jakehamon - then transferred to the Desdemona School where he attended and graduated with the Class of 1949.

Travis Walston spent the past week in Houston on a contract welding job. He reported very hot and humid weather in that area.

Roy and Angela Powledge of Cisco hosted a birthday party on Wednesday, July 28 for their son, Lane who will celebrate his 2nd birthday on July 31st. Those attending were Colin and Kaley Powledge, Dean and Judy Powledge all of Cisco; Karen Eaves and Lorin, Vonnie Guthery, Belinda Guthery, Holly Guthery, Kandice Cogburn and son, Dylan all of Desdemona. Birthday cake and ice cream was served to everyone.

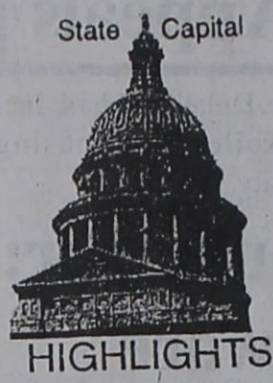
Theron Perrin of DeLeon visited recently in Arizona with his sister, Evelyn McBroom then on to Alaska to spend two weeks with his children and their families. Theron attended school in Desdemona.

Ada Koonce, 83, of Dallas was buried last week in the Desdemona Cemetery. Survived by her son, Norman Koonce and wife of Dallas. Preceded in death by her husband, W.D. "Skeeter" Koonce. Our sincere sympathy goes out to this family.

Karen Eaves and Lorin, Belinda Guthery of Desdemona, Angela Powledge and children, Colin, Kaley and Lane of Cisco spent the weekend in San Antonio to attend Sea World, visit the Alamo and other points of interests. They reported a good trip.

Please contact this reporter with your weekly news. Thanks and have a nice day, Vonnie.

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HIGHLIGHTS

By Mike Cox

Texas to house 8,800 additional troops

AUSTIN - Texas still has to go through what the military calls the BRAC (Base Realignment and Closure) process next year, but the Pentagon has announced that the state will receive 8,800 additional soldiers by 2006. In Killeen, 5,000 of those troops will go to Fort Hood as the Army adds the 4th Brigade to the 4th Infantry Division in 2005. An additional 3,800 troops will go to Fort Bliss at El Paso to create the 4th Brigade of the 1st Cavalry Division in 2006. To accommodate expected increases in vehicle traffic at Fort Hood in Central Texas, the Texas Transportation Commission will hold hearings in August on \$20.5 million in roadway and infrastructure projects in the Killeen area. In announcing the military's plans last week, Gov. Rick Perry said the state also was open to proposals from El Paso community leaders on transportation needs connected to the now-scheduled enlargement of Fort Bliss.

Happy Sales Tax Holiday...

The sixth annual state sales tax holiday is coming up Aug. 6-8. Under the law, these items - clothing, shoes, clothing items and footwear - are exempt from sales tax. That can save about \$8 for every \$100 in purchases. The grace period begins at 12:01 a.m. Friday, Aug. 6 and continues to midnight on Sunday, Aug. 8. Like most tax laws, the provision has no shortage of eccentricities. Cowboy and hiking boots can be purchased tax free during the holiday, but not boots intended for climbing or fishing. You can, however, buy a fishing hat tax free. For

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more details on what can and can not be purchased tax free, check the comptroller's Web site at www.cpa.state.tx.us or call 1-800-252-5555.

\$5 million wireless settlement Texas and 31 other states filed an agreement settling a deceptive practices investigation against three top telecommunications companies over misleading advertising and service charges, Attorney General Greg Abbott said. Under the terms of the agreement, Cingular Wireless, Sprint PCS and Verizon Wireless must provide customers with coverage-area maps that are as accurate as current technology allows; give consumers at least two weeks to terminate service contracts without incurring penalties; and change the way they advertise and sell services and coverage.

Dove hunt looks good, but...

Biologists with the Texas Department of Parks and Wildlife predict a good dove season this fall, but "good" is a relative term. While dove numbers look OK, biologists say recent counts show a long-term decrease in bird numbers is continuing. While the number of mourning dove has declined about 15 percent in the last 20 years, millions of dove still manage to outfly Texas hunters. "I think we'll see good dove production this year despite the heavy rains in some areas," said Jay Roberson, TPWD dove program leader. "Hunting success should be good, provided feed conditions remain good." The season in the Central and North Zones begins Sept. 1, followed by the South Zone opening day on Sept. 24. Bag limits are 10 in the North Zone, 12 in the Central Zone and 15 in the South Zone. In an effort to get to the bottom of the population decline, TPWD is working with 27 other states in a bird-banding study. Hunters bagging banded birds are urged to call 800-327-2263 to report the bird. Those who do will receive a certificate of appreciation and will have helped provide data that can be used to improve hunting conditions, TPWD says.

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Senator Fraser Involved With Groundwater Meetings

Our State Senator, Republican Troy Fraser of District 24, does not have to spend as much time on the 2004 campaign as some others. The reason is simple - he has no major opponent.

In the meanwhile he continues to be busy on some important issues, many involved with his work as a member of the Select Committee on Water Policy.

Fraser was appointed to this Committee in November of 2003, and the Committee

is examining numerous water issues in preparation for the Legislative Session in 2005.

In Eastland several months ago Fraser remarked that water is going to be a major concern of this upcoming Session.

The growth of population in Texas, periodic droughts, contamination of water - and the plans of some to buy up water rights and move water have all contributed to a serious situation.



Senator Troy Fraser

A call to Senator Fraser's office Friday brought the latest information from Daniel Womack, Legislative Assistant.

Womack said that the Select Committee on Water Policy had to cancel out some meetings during the Special Legislative Session on School Financing. But now they have rescheduled

meetings, and they will be held soon.

The first will be held on Wednesday, Aug. 4 in Waco, Womack said. He added that the agenda had not been decided on this meeting, but it would "probably" include the current lawsuit by Waco against dairies in the Bosque River watershed.

Another meeting of the Select Committee will be held in Lubbock on Aug. 25.

Then the Committee will go to the Texas Coast for a meeting on Sept. 8. The place has not been finalized on that.

Also, in addition to the State Select Committee meetings, Fraser has called for a Town Hall Meeting on the Burnet County groundwater issue.

This is scheduled for 7 p.m. on Aug. 4 at the Burnet Community Center.

Under state law, the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality is given the authority to designate and recommend the formation of Priority Groundwater Management areas (PGMA)

The TCEQ is preparing a recommendation for a groundwater district designation that would include all of Burnet, all of Williamson and the northern part of Travis County.

Fraser said he decided to call the town hall meeting after the Burnet County Commissioner's Court voted unanimously to oppose the formation of a three-county groundwater district.

"I have a concern about a state-mandated water district where Burnet county would be smaller and subservient to the other counties in the

Help For Paul Green

Donations are being accepted for Paul Green at First American Bank in Cisco. Paul was involved in an accident July 16 around Odessa. He suffers from a broken collarbone, and his leg was shattered from hip to knee 12 times.

Paul is the son of Larry Paul Green. He and his wife Amy live in Rising Star, where they raise their 6-yr.-old twins. They don't have any kind of insurance and the accident is putting Paul out of work for awhile. Their friends and family are trying to raise money to help with finances.

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water district," Fraser said. "My role at the meeting will be to lay out the options, and help chart a course of action."

Fraser said, "Clearly, the clock is ticking. If we want to avoid the state imposing a groundwater district that Burnet County cannot control, then we need to look at our options."

"If asked by the citizens of Burnet County, I'm prepared to ask for legislation during the 2005 session to help us control our own destiny in terms of groundwater management."

Fraser lives at Horseshoe Bay, which is in that area. He was born in Abilene, but raised in Coahoma, Texas, just east of Big Spring.

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Eastland County Classifieds

Thursday, July 29, 2004

REAL ESTATE

New: 10 A, pavement frontage, seasonal creek, some timber \$1,250 acre.

New: 14.9 A Brown Co. 183 S. Rising Star, 3-2-2 brick 2000', CH/A, irrigated coastal, pond, barn. \$149,500.

New: 15 A. near Gorman, nice remodeled 2-2 brick, central H/A, carpeted, fireplace, large game room, 24 x 60 metal garage- cement floor, guest house, water well + city water and sewer, pecans, pavement. **REDUCED TO \$130,000.**

NEW: 17.64 A N/E DeLeon, 2160' x 300', fenced, some coastal, hilltop setting. \$90,000.

PENDING
37 A N/W of DeLeon, good sandy land, app. 5 A coastal, stock pond, 3 water wells, pavement access, great building spot. \$1,250 per A.

NEW: 40 A, m/l, western Comanche Co, sandy land, 10 A wooded, 30A cult, some fencing, one stock pond, old water well, great deer area. \$1,500.00.

47.65 A 4 miles west of Gorman, 25 A coastal, 20 A cult, 2 ponds, barn/pens, good deer area. \$1050 acre.

NEW: 105 A, Comanche Co, near DeLeon, 30 A coastal, 52 A cultivated, 23 A pasture, 3 stock ponds, 2 wells (previously used for irrigation), steel corrals, electricity, paved & CR frontage, deer/wildlife in area, combination stocker/wildlife property. \$1,900 per acre.

New: 160 A, western Comanche Co., 3-2-1 brick, 1700', CH/A, 2 tanks, creeks, wooded, hilly, lots of deer and birds. \$192,000.00.

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Please apply in person. Honest-Mature-Dependable. Help Wanted- Cook/Cashier at Blue Store-Hwy 6-Carbon. E69

Help Wanted: Experienced Hands needed for Well Servicing Unit in Eastland area 817-822-0856 or 325-762-9097. E50-104

The Eastland County Sheriffs Office will be accepting applications for Deputy Sheriff position. Applications will be accepted until the position is filled. Anyone interested can pick up an application at 201 West White Street in Eastland. Qualifications for a person interested in the position are must have a current peace officers license. E61

Help Wanted: Part-time Nursery Worker at Cisco First Baptist Church. Contact church office 442-1160. C61-104

Help Wanted: Triple/S Dynamics is now accepting applications for Welders & Sheet Metal Workers. Experienced and blue print reading a plus. Apply in person Triple/S Dynamics Hwy 180 E., Breckenridge. E64

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WANTED- Experienced Waitress-evening shift and Linecooks. Apply in person Smokestack Restaurant Thurber, TX. 254-672-5560. E67

Secretary Position Computer skills needed, Farm, Ranch and Garden knowledge. Inquire at Eastland Farm & Ranch, 301 N. Seaman, Eastland. E63

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GARAGE SALES

CISCO YARD/CARPORT SALE: 406 W. 7th, Cisco. Saturday, July 31, 8 a.m. - ? Children's clothes, toys and lots of misc. C62

BIG TWO FAMILY GARAGE SALE: Friday & Saturday, July 30 & 31, 1005 West 13th and corner of 13th and Ave. M. Furniture, antique couch and chair, appliances, baby bed, pool table, children and adult clothing, kitchen items, material, and many misc. items. C62

GARAGE SALE: Clothes, toys, computers, scanners, printers, household items, Barbies and clothes, other misc. 302 Ave. I, Cisco. Friday 8:00-5:00 & Sat. 8:00-12:00. C61

YARD SALE: 1010 East 16th, Cisco. Thur., Fri. & Sat. Portable TV/VCR 4" screen \$100, name brand boys clothes, women sizes 7 & 10, 13" TV - \$20, Satellite Dish and Receiver- it works, blue pool pump \$10. C62

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4 FAMILY GARAGE SALE: Saturday, July 31 from 8:00-3:00. Back to School clothes, furniture, household items. Off of Highway 6 out of Eastland, turn left on Flatwood Hwy (Hwy 2563) 2nd house on left. E62

3 FAMILY YARD SALE: 414 E. Pershing. Fri. 8 a.m. - ? & Sat. 8 a.m. - ? Baby toys, baby girl clothes, some women & men clothes, lots of misc. E62

GARAGE SALE: 408 Crestwood, Eastland. Friday and Saturday, July 30-31 5:00 to 8:00 p.m. **Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 12 noon Saturday,** Ladies clothes size 12 to 18, medium to XL, shoes size 9-10, boys clothes, men's clothing L to XL, Boys Toys, computer games, candles, knick knacks, baskets, jewelry, **Good Costume, owl jewelry (lots of Owls), Mary Kay Makeup, dishes, salt & pepper shakers, shelves-sconces- some tools and Guy Things, loads of treasures and much more!** E62

The Idle American

Commentary By Dr. Don Newbury

'Dog Sense' Wins Over Horse's

Medical authorities agree that some dogs may be able to anticipate children's seizures.

Dogcatchers are on "red alert." If they see canines wearing stethoscopes, pricing Mercedes, reading the New England Journal of Medicine or running an hour behind, the new policy is to let these "puppy prodigies" ride up front.

Martha Stewart, whose time behind bars may be better measured by an egg timer than a calendar, has vowed to make the best of it. The "best of it" may be spending time designing a new upscale license plate.

She'll have a tube of lipstick and tissue for last-ditch appeals for help. Don't be surprised if notes found between license plates, reeking of her favorite fragrance, read: "Help! I'm being held prisoner!"

Botox in this century may turn out to have the kind of lucrative run that medicine shows and Hadacol did in the last. Several liniments, potions and pills (they'd be called "placebos" today) carried lofty claims, with price tags ending in "98," i.e., \$1.98, \$2.98, etc. "If you drink it, rub it, sniff it, it'll cure it," the clever barkers bragged about whatever "it was" they were selling.

Botox is trumpeted, among other things, for ridding us of wrinkles, sags and

now, even sweat! Yes, armpit injections of Botox are claimed to greatly reduce perspiration.

I don't want less sweat; I want quicker sweat. My heart doctor advises "working up a sweat" in near-daily exercising. For me, that's 20 minutes or so. I want a Botox injection that makes me sweat so fast, I can get off the treadmill with one leg just as the other is getting on.

If others don't want me to see them sweat, that's fine, but I "want to see ME sweat." (A friend down the street who hates jogging claims he gets his exercise serving as pallbearer for his friends who jog..)

Be not surprised if the Botox wonder list grows longer. A few drops may drive the West Nile Virus eastward, cause Niagra Falls to run backwards, make all tomatoes taste like home-grown and render hate obsolete.

Baptists may even start liking each other.

Texas' first 100-degree day already is being disputed. Democrats contend that it was around mid-July in most parts of the state.

Republicans swear their thermostats shot 'way past 100 degrees nearly a month earlier, when "Fahrenheit 9/11" hit movie screens.

One of Texas' finest, in the ongoing saga of cops and speeders, was ringing up an-

other one the other day. Dis-mounting his cycle to write the citation, he heard the squeal of brakes and saw a pick-up/trailer combo skidding sideways toward him. He leaped over the guardrail, hearing the crunch above him seconds later when his motorcycle was taken out. His hard landing tore up his shoulder, but the decision to jump was a no-brainer.

The pulled-over motorist gets quick-thinker points, too. He hit the gas pedal, successfully getting out of harm's way.

At his first opportunity, he made a U-turn to return to the scene. Sure, it was the right thing to do. Besides that, there's a good chance that his license plate number already had been jotted down.

Whatever, by the time he worked his way back through the traffic, other officers and were on the scene. One of the policemen asked the vic-tim what he'd like to do with

the speeder. Figuring the speeder might later be a witness, he said, "Tell him to slow down and have a nice day." (Remember, he landed on his shoulder, not his head.)

Another time, another place: This speeder, watching the officer approach his car, realized he didn't have his seat belt fastened, so he quickly snapped it into place just before the officer tapped on his window.

"I'm going to have to give you a ticket for doing 75 in a 65," he explained, "But I want to commend you for wearing your seat belt."

"Thank you, officer," the man whined, "I realize the importance of seat belts. I know they save lives and minimize injuries, so I always wear mine."

"Do you always run it through your steering wheel?" the officer asked.

Gift Basket Trade Show Set For July 29-August 1

The Basket Connection Convention and Trade Show will run from July 29 - August 1 at Gaylord Texan Resort in beautiful Grapevine, Texas.

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AG TALK

Concerns About WTO Draft Document

This week I contacted U.S. Agriculture Ambassador Allen Johnson to express my concerns about the draft World Trade Organization (WTO) framework released last week. I am concerned about the impact it would have on U.S. agriculture.

The draft document was prepared by the General Council of the WTO and was presented in Geneva in an effort to restart the Doha round of negotiations which have been stalled.

I believe that the draft document's market access provisions are not ambitious enough, and it unfairly singles out cotton.

An analysis of this language indicates that it could allow as much as 25 percent of the European Union's (EU) and 30 percent of Japanese tariff lines to be considered 'sensitive products' which are shielded from aggressive tariff cuts.

From the U.S. perspective, this approach would not produce the 'substantial improvements in market access' called for elsewhere in the draft.

The U.S. has correctly insisted that cotton only be considered in the context of the wider agriculture talks or as a part of an initiative involving all competitive products.

The fact that no other agricultural commodity is singled out in the draft highlights just how inappropriate it is that multiple references are made to cotton.

The draft framework also calls for disciplines to ensure that food aid is not used as a mechanism for surplus disposal.

It is widely accepted that food aid is surplus, since it is not counted as part of domestic or international commercial sales. This is why the Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO) has established "Principles of Surplus Disposal" that food aid countries must follow.

The goal should be to prevent the displacement of commercial sales by food aid, not to prevent food aid.

Ambassador Johnson is now well aware of my concerns with regards to the draft WTO framework, and I am confident these issues will be raised when revisions are made to the draft. In fact, I spoke to Ambassador Johnson while he was in Geneva this week.

I thoroughly believe that

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the programs Larry Combest and I developed in the 2002 Farm Bill meet our WTO obligations, and I expect that the U.S. will live up to its commitments in the international trade arena.

If programs must be adjusted in order to be in compliance, I expect that we will do so in the least disruptive manner, and you can be sure that I will never support gutting our farm programs for the benefit of a country that is one of our major competitors.

Voluntary COOL Legislation

The House Committee on

Agriculture this past week marked-up voluntary country-of-origin labeling (COOL) legislation introduced by Chairman Goodlatte and myself earlier this summer.

The bill was reported from the Committee with no amendments.

The legislation will amend the Agricultural Marketing Act of 1946 to direct the Secretary of Agriculture to establish the voluntary labeling of produce, meat (including beef, pork, veal and lamb) and seafood with country-of-origin information.

When we passed the 2002 Farm Bill, we provided two years to review the COOL provisions in order to fine tune them as necessary. Although the time period has slipped a bit, we now begin the legislative process of making COOL provisions

work, and I am confident we will end up with a better product.

I strongly agree with the basic concept of country-of-origin labeling: to allow U.S. producers to showcase their product, which is the safest and highest quality food supply in the world.

This voluntary approach to country-of-origin labeling is supported by numerous groups and organizations, and it will help by allowing producers to work hand-in-hand with processors and retail outlets to provide consumers with products that are consistently labeled.

And we should be clear on this point: country-of-origin labeling is a marketing program, not a food safety issue. We have separate programs run by agencies that specialize in food safety.

Condition of US

and Texas Cotton

Recently, a panel of cotton experts met to discuss the condition of cotton crops throughout the U.S. for the 2004 growing season.

According to some, we are on track to produce our largest crop in 23 years.

Our 1949 record of six million bales is close in sight and may even be broken depending on how the rest of the season goes.

Right now most of Texas' cotton is young, only a quarter of the crop has set bolls, leaving a lot of time from now until harvesting.

About 900,000 acres of dryland cotton cover Texas and where usually you can expect about half a bale of cotton per acre, this year it looks like we might be getting about two-thirds bale per acre.

About a third of Texas has irrigated cotton, with about

100,000 acres of it being drip irrigation, and we may get about three to four bales per acre in those parts.

The rest of the country is shaping up quite nicely as well. In the Southeast, they are looking at about a four-million-bale crop with a good growing season underway.

The Mid-South is doing well also, with 70 percent of their cotton rated good to excellent.

However, once again, this is why the market is heading south as rapidly as it is, with the anticipation of a record crop.

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Baird Elementary School Supply List

School starts August 16, 2004 at 8:00 A.M.

It's time to start putting together student's supplies for the upcoming year.

Baird Elementary has released a list of supplies for the 2004-2005 school year.

The list is as follows:

Kindergarten

Crayons --16 or 24 count, small size
10 pencils
2 glue sticks
2 small bottles of glue
scissors--Fiskars work best

1 pkg. Manila paper (9x12)
1 pkg. Colored construction paper (9x12)
2 large boxes Kleenex nap pad
markers, fat size
spiral notebook-journal (small 70 sheet size)
backpack

First Grade

**40 plain #2 pencils
2 boxes crayons, 24 count
**3 folders with brads
1 large box of Kleenex
**3 large bottles of glue
1 pair of scissors (Fiskars are best)
plastic dish pan (approx. 12 x 14)
1 set of wide crayola washable markers
watercolor paints
1 small school supply box
2 spiral notebooks
2 pkgs. 12 x 18 manila paper
2 pckgs. 9 x 12 colored construction paper
2 pkgs. of pencil top erasers
1 set of map colors

**Please do not label supplies marked with an asterisk

Second Grade

48 #2 pencils
small glue
scissors (sharp Fiskars)
3 boxes Kleenex
2 spiral notebooks
4 pocket folders with brads (blue, red, yellow, green)
2 sets map pencils
1 package pencil top erasers

1 large eraser
1 package 8 1/2 x 11 construction paper
1 package 8 1/2 x 11 manila paper
1 cloth zippered pencil pouch
supply box
1 box markers
1 small box crayons
Ear phones for computers

Third Grade

2 pkgs. Wide ruled notebook paper
#2 pencils
scissors with a point Frisk-ers
1 pkg. of 24 count crayons
glue
2 red pens
1 pkg. colored construction paper

1 pkg. manila paper
4 boxes of Kleenex
Eraser
2 sets of Map Pencils
4 pocket folders (red, blue, yellow, green)
scotch tape
sticky notes
1 set of Earphones for the computer

4th, 5th, 6th Grade

1 lg. 3 ring binder
1 zipper pencil pouch

20 #2 pencils (per semester)

2 pkgs. notebook paper (per semester)
4 red pens
map colors
felt tip markers (optional)
1 pkg. typing paper
2 boxes of Kleenex
1 roll of scotch tape
highlighters
1 pkg. of manila paper (12x18)

Science Supplies

4th - 6th Grade

3 ring binder
Map pencils
Dividers
Pencil pouch
Pencils
Optional: Kleenex
Resource Room Supply List
2 pkgs. wide ruled notebook paper
1 bottle glue
2 boxes Kleenex
1 pkg. of map colors or crayons
#2 pencils
markers

Registration For Kindergarten, New Students Is Aug. 4

Registration for kindergarten students and any new students will be August 4th and 5th in the Baird School Cafetorium from 8:30 A.M. till 11:30 A.M.

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Media, Stenholm Discuss Issues On Conference Call

by Margaret Hetrick

Congressman Charles Stenholm said he was looking at the Capitol of the United States, and getting ready to go to vote in the House at the beginning of a Media Conference Call on Tuesday, July 20th.

His participation in the conference was cut short due to the House voting schedule, but his time on the phone with Media from Mineral Wells, Lubbock, Eastland, Big Springs and other Texas cities and towns was long enough to cover several important issues.

Stenholm commented on the Marriage Protection Act, which he supports.

The Federal Marriage Amendment was defeated in a preliminary procedural vote in the Senate, and Stenholm said he did not expect the legislation to become law this year, but felt it would eventually.

His opinion was that the majority of people believed in the traditional institution of marriage between a man and woman.

(Two days later, the House passed legislation preventing federal courts from ordering states to recognize same-sex unions which took place in other states. The legislation is not expected to receive such support in the Senate.)

Stenholm also commented on an article in the Abilene Reporter News, which voiced concerns about his vote against an amend-

ment "suspending enforcement of the FBI's authority to obtain library records as part of a terrorism investigation."

He deferred with the editorial, he said, adding it had been confirmed that a terrorist had used the internet provided by a public library. He indicated he felt that law enforcement should not have their hands tied behind their backs [in the war on terrorism], and that -to this date- there was no record of any abuse [of authority], Stenholm said.

(Stenholm's answer to the editorial can be read in Thursday's, July 23, Reporter News - Opinion page.)

The Congressman also spoke of his support for a fiscally responsible middle-class tax relief, which would not increase the national budget deficit.

A "pay-as-you-go" policy would be "very helpful", Stenholm said, to extend tax provisions due to expire, such as the child tax credit, marriage penalty relief, and the expansion of the ten percent tax bracket.

When asked where he would be in the coming week [during the Democratic Convention in Boston], Stenholm answered that he would be attending an agriculture dinner on Tuesday in Boston, where he would be honored, and then return to his district.

This led to a short discussion of the Farm Bill, which is "reopened", Stenholm

Thursday, July 29, 2004 said.

The Hensarling Entitlement Cap - a proposal that would cap the growth in entitlement programs, which Stenholm said earlier would bring large cuts in farm commodity, crop insurance, and conservation programs - did not pass the House vote, Stenholm said.

However, limits set on Federal spending for FY 2005 will mean cuts in Farm Bill programs from the 2002 Farm Bill.

Stenholm said he wanted to start work, on the Farm Bill next year, and also bring some WTO (World Trade Organization) disputes in harmony. That was one of the reasons he wanted to return to Washington, he added.

Stenholm noted that he would be working on a debate schedule with his opponent in the November election for the 19th District, Congressman Randy Neugebauer.

***** Series Highlights Groundwater Leasing Options

The Texas Department of Agriculture is partnering with Texas A & M University, Texas Cooperative Extension and the U. S. Department of Agriculture Natural Resources Conservation Service to host a conference series on groundwater leasing options. A conference is scheduled for Sept. 14 at the College of Forestry Conference Center at Stephen F. Austin State University in Nacogdoches.

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Public Invited To Attend Transportation Commission Meeting In Childress

Childress - The Texas Transportation Commission will hold its regular monthly meeting in Childress on July 29, 2004 at the Childress Fair Park Auditorium, beginning at 9:00 a.m.

The commission periodically holds meetings in locations around the state to give all Texans an opportunity to participate in state transportation decision-making.

The Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) encourages the public to attend this meeting. At the conclusion of all agenda items, the commission will allow an open comment period, not to exceed one hour, to receive public comment on any matter that is under the jurisdiction of the commission. No action will be taken. Each

speaker will be allowed a maximum of three minutes. Anyone planning to make public comment must fill out a speakers comment card that will be available at the registration table, prior to the meeting.

The Texas Transportation Commission consists of five members appointed by the governor with the advice and consent of the senate to govern the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT). Members' six-year terms are staggered, so that an appointment is generally made every two years. The governor designates one member of the commission to serve as the chair.

The chair, referred to as the commissioner of transportation, is Ric Williamson

Owner, Police Seek Information Concerning Trailer Theft

On the July 4th, 2004 weekend, a 10X5 WW Steel Cargo Trailer was stole in the area of S. 7th and the Winters Freeway in Abilene, TX.

The name EagleSurplus & Survival was decaled on both sides in large 4 inch silver letters outlined in black, with the web address www.eaglesurplus.com in 2 inch black letters below that, along with Military Airborne decals on the right side by door and left rear corner.

The trailer is white with black stone guards.

Anyone seeing the above trailer, or having any information, please contact the Abilene Police Department at 325-673-8331, Case # 04-013822.

Apparently the thieves believed the cargo trailer to be full of USGI AR 15'S / M16 Rifles, 30 round magazines, Kavlar Flak Vests and Kavlar Helmets, a press release by owner Mary Atkins, stated.

A spokesperson from the Abilene Police Department also confirmed to this newspaper that the thieves probably thought they were stealing military equipment.

In reality, the trailer was full of vending merchandise which included Die Cast cars, porcelain dolls, framed pictures, festival vending needs, 3-10x10 EZ UP canopies - 1 red, 1 blue, 1 white, 4-6 ft. tables (white, from Sams), numerous three way electric cords, battery power pod (yellow and black from Sams), 2 hitch stingers w/ balls, several rope light sets and clamp lights, red and blue flashing lights, moving dolly, tools, chairs, table covers, and tarps - 3 white 10x10, 2 green 15x30, 3 silver 15x20.

Owner Mary Atkins may be reached at P.O. Box 84, Tye, TX 79563, or call 325-338-2819.

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From Page One ... Land Heritage

10 acres, sales of at least \$250 a year.

* Owner(s) must be actively managing the everyday operation of the property.

* If all the land has ever been rented to someone outside of the family, it will not qualify. If only a portion was leased, and as much as 10 acres retained in the family for agricultural production with sales of at least \$50 annually, it will qualify.

* Deadline to submit applications for properties established in 1904 or before is Nov. 15, 2004.

Farms and ranches that qualify will be honored during the ceremony in Austin in March 2005. The history of the farm or ranch will be chronicled in a registry and honorees can obtain historic farm or ranch signage for their property. Program applications are available through TDA, county judges and on TDA web site at www.agr.state.tx.us. For more information, contact Family Land Heritage Coordinator Melissa Blair, Texas Department of Agriculture, P.O. Box 12847, Austin, Texas 78711 or (512) 463-2631.

Baird First Baptist Church Schedule of Events

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