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"WHERE THE ANTELOPE PLAY" CAPROCK CANYONS STATE PARK

Park of the Month--Feature Story

Feel Of Wild West Pervades Caprock Canyons State Park

by Rob McCorle

Beneath a metal shade shelter on the edge of Lake Theo, a spider slowly steals across his web toward a fluttering victim, while in a nearby juniper a songbird serenades the setting West Texas sun. Less than a football field away, a carrot-topped youngster springs from a van, sprints to the edge of a lakeside bluff overlooking the olive-green waters, throws out his arms as to embrace a loved one, and exclaims, "Wow, mom, look at this!"

Caprock Canyons State Park evokes just that kind of unbridled, childlike enthusiasm among most first-time visitors to Caprock Canyons State Park, a 14,000-acre wonderland of rugged, redrock canyonlands carved by tributaries of the Red River at the doorstep of the Texas Panhandle's High Plains. Humans have been drawn for more than 10,000 years to this magical land of brilliantly-colored canyons, serpentine creeks and breaks framed by majestic escarpments rising along the western boundary of park where the rolling plains meet the white caprock of the table-top flat Llano Estacado above.

Just past park headquarters, a sign points the way to a state historical marker on the western plateau bordering Lake Theo. The plaque pays homage to the "Lake Theo Folsom Bison Kill Site," an ancient bison butchering site discovered in archeological digs in 1965 and 1972 that revealed hundreds of buffalo bones, projectile points and scraping tools characteristic of nomadic tribes of the Folsom culture. It takes little imagination to picture ancient people driving the hairy beast across the grassy plains and over the sandy bluffs to their death.

Later, the caprock canyon lands would see the arrival of Native American farming cultures, the initial incursion of Europeans in the 1500s, the southward march centuries later of the horse tribes of the Southern Plains--Cheyennes, Kiowas and Comanches, and settling of the land by mostly anglo pioneers who today still farm and

ranch the area. Historians believe it is the place where Comanches brought kidnapped Cynthia Ann Parker, who later gave birth to one of the tribe's most famous chiefs, Quanah Parker.

Caprock Canyons State Park was carved out of the vast 1.25 million-acre JA Ranch from land once belonging to legendary Texas rancher Charles Goodnight. The park sits three miles north of Quitaque, a railroad town given the name by the Comanches who frequented the Quitaque Valley to trade with the comancheros, traders who camped in the surrounding valleys and hills. Located 100 miles equidistant from Amarillo and Lubbock, the park is less well-known than its older sister park to the north, Palo Duro Canyon State Park, but the two parks share much of the same topography and history.

Much of that history revolves around the buffalo which once roamed the Great Plains by the millions, but were almost hunted to extinction in the 19th century. Caprock Canyons State Park maintains a small herd of buffalo as part of Texas' western heritage.

"Everyone who comes to our park wants to see the buffalo," said park manager Geoffrey Hulse, who leads occasional buffalo tours in an open air vehicle. "Few know that grazing bison, like fire, play a significant role in maintaining the health of the ecosystem, helping to plant seeds with their hooves and keep grasses sufficiently grazed to allow other plant and animal communities to thrive."

Hulse believes that the higher-than-normal mid-grass prairies have led to a decline in pronghorn antelope, whose fawns are easy prey for coyotes and bobcats. Once populated with as many as 17 of the graceful animals, the park currently has only three remaining pronghorns, which can sometimes be spotted by sharp-eyed visitors among the little bluestem, buffalo grass, sideoats grama and other grasses of the restored mixed-grass prairie.

While the small buffalo herd is one of the park's draws, a number of other offerings appeal to visitors who find their way to one of the best kept secrets in the state park system.

Topophiles, those who love landscape, find a little bit of heaven at Caprock Canyons. Scenic overlooks provide awesome 180 degree views of a land of stark limestone outcroppings, blood-red escarpments, 1,000 foot canyon walls, dry-wash arroyos dotted with blooming desert plants, and erosion-sculpted sandstone spires--reminiscent of eastern New Mexico and southeast Colorado.

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Fourth of July Fishing Results

The Caprock Canyons State Park sponsored a fishing tournament on the Fourth of July with six children entering.

Chris Chandler, 10, of Plainview was the first place winner with his twin sister, Amanda Chandler placing second. Coming in with a third place was Jake Gass of Amarillo.

Other children who entered were Brady Stark, 6, of Canyon, Kimberly Garza, 8, of Floydada and Junior Garza, 7, of Floydada.

"Bottom Line Farming" Offered At Silverton

Clarendon College will offer the "Bottom Line Farming" curriculum on financial management in agriculture in Silverton during August. The class will be taught at the Silverton High School. The class will start on Tuesday, August 5, 1997 at 6 p.m. and finish at 10:30 p.m. The balance of the class will be taught on the same schedule for every Tuesday and Thursday in August.

Registration for this class will be conducted the first class meeting. Spouses are encouraged to attend. This class meets the requirements for financial training of the FSA. If you have any questions, please call Dr. Don Williams at 806/874-2313 or your local FSA office.

Quitaque City Council Has July Meeting On Monday, 14th

The Council for the City of Quitaque met in regular session Monday, July 14, 1997. Members present were Randy Stark, Janice Henson, Rhonda Rogers, Mayor Wilburn Leeper, City Manager Clyde Dudley and City Secretary Maria Cruz. Visitors were Lee and Pearl Tapp and Dale Ramsey.

The use of the 6% Hotel and Motel tax was discussed. It is kept in a separate fund which is used for promoting Quitaque.

The Council received a report concerning the selection of a new Briscoe County Sheriff. Concern was expressed that this appointment follow correct procedural process.

The Council also discussed trash pick-up problems and possible solutions.

Dudley informed the Council of the cost of a tranquilizer gun for help with the stray dog problems in the city. Clyde was given to go ahead to purchase the tranquilizer gun.

Council was informed that Jerry Beck would be interested in an unpaid City Marshall job. This would help him to retain his certification and help the City with their ordinance enforcement.

Discussion and consideration of a Resolution to change the budget year from June/July to October/September was presented to the Council. Members voted for the change. The City's fiscal year will now be from October 1 to September 30 instead of July 1 to June 30.

Constitutional Amendment To Be Voted August 9

Early voting on the Constitutional Amendment election begins Monday, July 21, in county clerks' offices in Texas. It will end Tuesday, August 5.

The election will be on Saturday, August 9.

The 75th Texas Legislature approved the use of \$1 billion in state funds this year to raise the amount of residential homestead property exempt from school district taxation next year, from a minimum of \$5,000 to a minimum of \$15,000. The August 9th amendment would make that change a part of the Texas Constitution.

The proposed amendment would also allow senior citizens to transfer their homestead exemption to a new residence.

Voters will vote in their regular polling places on August 9.

Voting by mail will be until August 9, also.

Certified Nurse Aide Training Class

RNR, Rural Nurse Resource, Inc., a nonprofit organization that provides health and safety education, will sponsor two Certified Nurse Aide Classes.

These classes will train individuals to care for patients in the Nursing Home, Hospice, Home Health and private care setting. The evening course will begin on Monday, July 28, 1997. The day course will begin on Monday August 4, 1997.

To receive an application packet or for more information call RNR's office at (806) 983-8096.

Calendar of Events

July 17

EMS Roll Out Class

July 20

Attend Church of Choice

July 21

Quitaque Lions Club

TAFCE Club @ 6:30 p.m.

July 22

Drivers Testing @ Silverton

Turkey Senior Citizens @ 6 p.m.

Farmers to Get Ballots To Vote On Weevil Eradication

Cotton farmers and landowners with cotton production are eligible to vote in an August 1 referendum that will determine whether a boll weevil suppression program should be initiated in the 19-county Southern High Plains - Caprock Boll Weevil Eradication Zone.

Other issues in the August 1 election include approving a maximum assessment level, and other items.

Eligible voters should receive an official ballot by mail the week of July 21. Completed ballots must be postmarked before midnight, August 1 to be counted. Producers who planted cotton in 1996, but do not receive a ballot should contact the Texas Department of Agriculture at (512)463-7593.

Counties in the Eradication Zone include Motley county.

Burlison Roping Set July 19 - 20

Don't forget the Burlison Roping this weekend, July 19 and 20.

This will be the 13th annual Roping in the Memorial Arena at Flomot.

Two days of events will include youth horse events, team ropings, barrel racing, team sorting and penning, and barbecue as well as a concession stand.

THEN & NOW!

by Eunice McFall

It is hard to keep everyone happy. Well, I guess it is an impossibility to even try to keep everyone happy because when you make one person or group happy, you probably are in the process of making someone else unhappy or at least dissatisfied with what you are saying or doing.

We often get letters from our readers who would like for more local news to be in the paper. We, too would like to have more of the happenings of the area, whether it be Turkey, Flomot or Quitaque but unless someone lets us know what is happening or has happened we can only rely on chance to acquire the news! Not a good set up is it? But we do have some wonderful people in our communities that try very hard to keep the newspaper apprised of what is happening in their world.

We would like to ask your help in the matter of getting more of the local happenings out to the people. If you are involved in an event, do not take it for granted that someone else will be giving the information to the newspaper, let us know yourself and then we can let the rest of our readers become aware of the events.

Especially those who live many miles from our area are quite interested in what is going on in the "old home town!" In fact this is the reason why they subscribe to the "Home Town Newspaper", to keep up with what "Uncle Sam and Aunt Sallie are doing, who is on the sick list, where Joe and Joyce have moved to and perhaps even to find some long lost friend whom they remember with fondness. If our small town weekly newspapers can help keep people in contact with those that they care about, I think we are doing a great service for the world at large.

It seems that there is such a feeling of loneliness in our world today. Families are so scattered that not many have the luxury of being able to run down the street to visit with great aunt Mary or see their grandchildren grow up. Most families today are quite far apart by miles as well as life styles. I feel that our little contribution to the human race is worth the rush, rush to get to the printer on time each week if we can bring people closer together, put a smile on your face as well as bring you up to date on what is happening in our world.

So please remember to get you news to us so that we can print it for all the world to see!

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Obituaries

Mary Ellen Gowin

Graveside services for Mary Ellen Gowin were at Tulia Rose Hill Cemetery, Thursday, July 10, 1997 with Rev. Robert Fields, pastor of Parkview Baptist Church in Amarillo officiating.

Iva Dean Martin

Iva Dean Martin, 81, passed away in Sebastopol, California on July 3, 1997. She was a native of Turkey, Texas and a resident of Forestville, California for 36 years.

Clayton Bond

Services for Clayton Ward Bond, 87, of Flomot were at 2 p.m. Tuesday, July 15, 1997 in First Baptist Church in Flomot with the Rev. Nathan Mulder, pastor, officiating.

TA&MU Offers Beef Cattle Short Course In August

by Pammy Millican, CEA-Ag
The forty-third annual Short Course will be held again this year on the Campus of Texas A&M University on August 11-13, 1997.

Happy Birthday

- July 17 Sara Fierro, Sam Pierce, Kimberly F. Leal, Delene Tyler
July 18 Christine Brummett
July 19 Alma Fierro, Lavonia Mullin, Terry Bomar, Billye Loudermilk...

Turkey Senior Citizens News

The last meeting was July 8th with 15 members present. The next meeting will be July 22nd at 6 o'clock.



Look Who's New

Ty Wade Williams

Ty Wade Williams was born Friday, July 11th, 1997 at 10:30. The new baby boy weighed seven pounds and seven ounces.

Burl Robison

Graveside services for Burl Robison, 70, of Pecos were at 10 a.m. Saturday, July 12, 1997 in Dreamland Cemetery at Turkey with Delos Johnson, minister of the Church of Christ in Quitaque, officiating.

Majors Reunion Well Attended At Clarendon

Jim and Willie Grace Majors and Arlie Williams attended the Majors Reunion at Greenbelt Lake last week-end. The headquarters for the reunion was the cabin of the Jim Majors on the Lake.

Ronda Leeper Purcell Earns Degree

Ronda Leeper Purcell recently received her college degree from Troy State University in Montgomery, Alabama. She received a B.S. in Criminal Justice, Sociology and Psychology.



The verse, "Twinkle, Twinkle Little Star," was written by two English sisters Ann and Jane Taylor in 1804.

Prevent Drowning

(NAPS)—A little bit of water can get you in a lot of trouble. In the U.S. this year approximately 4,000 people will drown, making drowning the fourth leading cause of accidental death.

FUTURE OPENINGS

Table with 3 columns: Commodity, Month, Price. LEAN HOGS JUL. 8370, LIVE CATTLE AUG. 6550, COTTON OCT. 7336, K.C. WHEAT JUL. 3420

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Turkey News

THINGS SEEN OR HEARD
by Ann Coker

New subscribers to the Valley Tribune are the Rex Morgan family who have recently moved to Lindsborg, Kansas.

Estelle and Tink Lane returned home last Thursday from a trip to Greeley, Colorado. They visited in the home of Keith and Jan Lane. Keith returned to Turkey with his parents.

Visitors in the home of Bonnie Hill last week-end were Sheri McClenny and Lori Wooten of Baytown; Rod, Diana, Bobby and Chris Hill of Claude; Carol Weatherly of Memphis and her granddaughter Madison of Amarillo.

Also visiting were Wiley, Lynn, Hunter and Sheridan Davis and Curt Phillips and David Tarrier all of Memphis.

Visiting in the home of Hazel Fuston and Redell and Dollie Mae Irby recently were Dennis and Peggy Irby and their daughter, Alana, from Rockwall, Texas.

Grandchildren visiting with Keith and Bettie Green last week were Jamie Green and Zach Green.

On weekends we usually talk to our three children. Kim, Lisa and Makenzie are still sweltering in the humid heat in Brenham. Kim recently enjoyed a fishing trip in Canada. Lisa stays busy with Makenzie's activities. She is taking gymnastics this week. She has already conquered swimming. She informed us she could float!

Brenda Coker is thinking about becoming a home owner in Sabinal. She is having to move from her present residence. She just returned last weekend from coaching school in Austin. She has also been to the Big Bend Country on vacation.

Linda and Mark Hamilton have sold their home in Stephenville and will be moving to Ruidosa, New Mexico the last of this month. Mark has already gone to work in Ruidosa. Linda has already taken a job starting in August at the Methodist Church. The church asked for character witness in Ruidosa--so of course she gave them Jarrell and Jean Rice's names.

Don and Thelma Buchanan of Sweeney, Texas visited awhile recently with Louis and Oleta Randell. Don is Oleta's second cousin, and is the son of Carolyn Buchanan and the late Henry Buchanan.

Visiting recently with Louis and Oleta Randell were Mike and Ramona Smith, Derek, Tracie and Alicia of Houston; David Randell of Dallas; Steve and Phyllis Randell, Jacob and Bryan of Ft. Worth; Ronnie and Jo Ann Blythe of Amarillo; Cliff and Helen Master of Clovis New Mexico; Clarence and Ann Pierce and Jamie Sanderson of McLean and Chester Cunningham of Fritch.

Jeff Blythe of ACU spent Friday night with his grandparents, Louis and Oleta Randell.

Leepers Enjoy Their Summer Excursion

Wilburn and Zelda Leeper recently visited in Corinth, Texas and Ft. Rucker, Alabama. Accompanying them was Zelda's mom, Mrs. Nell Clark from Crystal City, Texas.

They visited Scott, Karen and Kaitlyn Leeper in Corinth, Texas and then went on to visit Ronda and Randy Purcell in Ft. Rucker, Alabama. While there, a cousin, Oscar Taylor and his wife, Kathleen from Summerdale, Alabama came over to visit cousins, second cousins and Auntie.

Zelda, Nell and Ronda went to Dothan, Alabama, one day and visited another cousin of Zelda's, Billie A. Prentiss. On their way back to Quitaque, the three stopped for several days in Jacksonville, Texas for a visit with Zelda's sister, Marilyn and husband Norvell Roberts and their son and his family—Randy, Betsy, Casie Lea, and Amber Roberts.

After returning home to Quitaque, two cousins of Zelda's Judy Bingham of Hobbs, New Mexico and her sister Christine Wester from L.A., California visited in Quitaque for three days, playing cards, visiting the park, which they thought was absolutely gorgeous, and also visiting the Sidewalk Museum.

A good time was had by everyone during the trip and the visits. None of these cousins and aunt had seen each other for many, many years, so their visits in Summerdale, Dothan and Quitaque were greatly enjoyed by everyone involved.

A properly beaten egg white will more than triple its volume.

Kelly and Cash Exchange Vows

Kelly Williams Kelly and Darryl Neil Cash exchanged vows on Saturday, June 21, 1997, at the JA Chapel in Canyon.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Williams of Clarendon. The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Dudley Cash of Portales, New Mexico. Officiating the double ring ceremony was the Rev. Mike Suiter. The bride was escorted to the altar and given in marriage by her father. The matron of honor was Elizabeth Lee Bollinger of Marble Falls. Serving her mother as flower girl was Brittany Kelly. The best man was Dennis Cash of Baseman, Montana.

Lynnette Barefield accompanied Scott and Patty Johnson Farwell as they sang *Somewhere in The World*.

A reception was held at the Church of Christ Family Life Center. Attending the bride's table was Krista Hughes and Tina Lacey. Attending the groom's table was Sue Thompson.

A seven day wedding trip was taken to Grand Lake, Oklahoma and to Branson, Missouri.

LETTER TO EDITOR

At the July 14, 1997 County Commissioner's Meeting the resignation of Sheriff Jerry Beck was read by County Judge Jimmy Burson. At the close of his letter he strongly recommended the appointment of his deputy, Max Whitworth.

Since taking office in January of this year Sheriff Beck has provided a marked improvement in the level of law enforcement in Briscoe County even as his office had to take on added responsibilities when Silverton's city marshal retired. This is a reflection on the commitment, professionalism and integrity of Sheriff Beck and also his deputy. There has also been a much better working relationship with the law enforcement agencies in the surrounding counties.

I would like to encourage all the citizens of Briscoe County to contact the County Judge and their Commissioner and ask that they honor the request of Sheriff Beck by appointing Max as the sheriff. This appointment should not be the Commissioner's Court personal preference, but of the citizens of Briscoe county that they represent. Again, Jerry, I appreciate all the hard work and long hours that you put in and wish both you and your family the best of luck in the future in what ever endeavor you undertake.

Anthony Kingery

LETTER TO EDITOR

"Quitaque Hotel" Now open! Also "Rails to Trails Lodges" 1/2 block south of the light. We'd appreciate the people of Quitaque for their support and consideration and appreciation of what we've worked so hard to restore.

We started from ground up--new plumbing, electrical, ceilings, floors, walls and on and on. No one thought we could do it and we haven't been able to do all we planned to, maybe later.

We're in the process of acquiring a Historical marker. I know that will please most of the people of this town. We realize some people will not be. And to those, we hope they will share with us what reasons they have for not wanting us to stay in business or even in this town. We'd appreciate your telling us how you feel. Phone 455-1344.

Sincerely,
Lee and Pearl

(Ed. Note: Letters to the Editor do not necessarily reflect the views of this newspaper.)



A large perfect ruby may be worth several times as much as a diamond of the same size.

Turkey Lions Meet

The Turkey Lions Club met Monday night, July 14th at the Bob Wills Center. There were six members present and seven guests and the sweetheart, Tiffany Woods.

Lion Louis Randell gave the invocation. Lion Don Turner led the group in the Pledge to the Flag. Lion Buddy Colvin presented a very interesting program on Tourism in Texas.

Lion Keith Green installed the new officers, President Don Turner; First Vice President, Buddy Colvin; Second Vice President, Louis Randell; Lion Tamer, Marjorie Bell; Tail Twister, Melvin Clinton; Secretary-Treasurer, Bettie Green; Sweetheart, Tiffany Woods.

The new directors are Lions, Louis Randell, Stuart Smith, Keith Green and Melvin Clinton.

Lions who will serve on the membership committee are Keith Green, Marjorie Bell and Melvin Clinton.

A delicious dinner was served by Bettie Green.

Herringtons Enjoy Trip To Houston

Ross and Patsy Herrington recently had a delightful trip planned for them by their son and wife, Lex and Dana Herrington of Lubbock. The four of them flew to Houston early on July 4th.

When they arrived at their hotel, they had a big surprise. Lex's twin sister of Austin, Lisa Welborn was there with her husband, Bud and one year old Blake Sterling! They all had a glorious time.

Among the things they did was visit and tour the furnished "Idea House" in the Kingwood community as featured in *Southern Living*. They also visited the Museum of Natural Science and saw the Butterfly Exhibit with thousands of butterflies in their natural habitat, the Galleria and fantastic places to eat.

They had a great time visiting. All returned home Sunday—a short but wonderful trip!



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To the registered voters of the County of HALL, Texas:
(a las votantes registrados del Condado de HALL, Texas.)

Notice is hereby given that the polling places listed below will be open from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m., on AUGUST 9
19 97, for voting in a special election to "ADOPT OR REJECT THE PROPOSED CONSTITUTIONAL

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(Notifíquese, por las presente, que las casillas electorales citadas abajo se abrirán desde las 7:00 a.m. hasta las 7:00 p.m. el AUG. de 19 97 para votar en la Elección Especial para PARA ADOPTAR O RECHAZAR LA ENMIENDA PROPUESTA CONSTITUCIONAL ASI COMO FUERON SOMETIDAS POR LA 75A LEGISLATURA SESION REULAR, DE LA ESTADO DE TEXAS."

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Caprock Canyons Park

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Seeing this technicolor world of reds and greens, one can easily relate to the observations of Spanish explorer Jose Mares, who in 1786, dubbed the maze of canyons and mesas, Sangre de Christo (Blood of Christ).

"There's a mystique about the canyons," Hulse mused. "And when things get stressful in the office, I can drive out into the solitude of the park for a few minutes and I'm okay. I think it's that peacefulness that is one of the main things people like about it here."

Though not crowded by state park standards, Caprock Canyons State Park still draws each year more than 100,000 visitors attracted by a variety of recreational opportunities, ranging from backpacking and mountain biking to horseback riding and swimming. Heaviest visitation occurs in April, May, September and October.

Campers can hike to primitive backpacking sites in the South Prong and North Prong canyons carved by the Little Red River, then camp on the edge of a picturesque canyons, or hook up their campers and RVs to electrical and water outlets at the well-manicured Honey Flat Camping Area. An old windmill marks the entrance to the equestrian camping area that features individual corrals and a community water tank for mounts. There's also a primitive equestrian camping area near the Little Red River.

Twenty-nine miles of trails wind through the unspoiled gypsum-marbled redrock canyon country, offering excellent hiking, horseback riding and mountain biking for all levels of expertise. A bird's eye view of the park awaits hardy hikers who traverse the uphill trail to Haynes Ridge. Along the way, watch for gray fox, ringtail cats, mule deer, skunks, aoudad sheep, white-throated woodrats, raccoons, bob white quail and

other critters that inhabit this semi-arid land of redberry junipers, sage, cottonwood, Mohr's oak, catclaw, mesquite, yuccas and shortgrasses. In the spring, flocks of neotropical migrant birds make the park shimmer.

In late October, the park hosts some of the nation's top competitors in the Quitaque Quest, a nationally sanctioned cycling event. The bike race is preceded a week earlier by Quitaque's Fall Foliage Festival, which features arts and crafts and motorized tours of the Caprock Canyons State Park Trailway. Texas Parks and Wildlife operates the 64 mile trail along a converted railroad corridor between the towns of Estelline and South Plains. The multi-use trailway features the famous Clarity Railroad Tunnel (home to 20,000-plus Mexican free-tail bats) and a number of elevated trestles. The trailway also serves as the focal point of the town's annual National Trails Day Celebration each June.

Parched flatlanders looking to cool off and anglers hoping to hook a catfish or bass find the park's Lake Theo appealing for day use. The 120-acre, no-wake lake has fishing piers, a group shelter, shaded picnic tables, playground and concession stand, which rents canoes and paddleboats on summer weekends and holidays.

Caprock Canyons State park is one of 124 parks that comprise the Texas State park system. To reserve a campsite at Caprock Canyons or any other state park, call 512/389-8900. For information about Texas state parks, call 1/800-792-1112 or access the TPWD web page: www.tpwd.state.tx.us.

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Team Rodeo In Dimmitt Soon

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Call Suanne Bagley at 806/647-4780 or Janet McDaniel at 806/647-3764 to enter or for additional information.

Some quadruplet sets have identical and fraternal members.

Cedars Can Be Managed

by Pammy L. Millican, CEA-Ag.

On the hillside and creeks that cut across the Texas landscape grows an evergreen that is depleting the state's water supply. Experiment Station rangeland ecologist, Dr. Charles Taylor says juniper is a native evergreen that its numbers have exploded through the Texas Hill country and much of the West.

The more trees there are, the more water they soak up and the quicker water shortages occur. Taylor says a mature juniper will use more than 30 gallons of water per day and because of its dense canopy, rainfall may not even reach the ground. Taylor says the solution is range management.

Control cutting is effective for small or environmentally sensitive areas. He says chemical controls are more cost effective over large acreage. Taylor explains that controlling cedar does more than provide greater aquifer recharge for agriculture and urban needs. It actually improves the habitat for livestock and wildlife and reduces the danger of uncontrolled wildfires.

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FLOMOT NEWS



1997 Silverton Graduate, Brandon Sarchet Honored

Brandon Sarchet was named valedictorian of the 1997 graduating class of Silverton High School with an average grade of 95.385. He attended the Farm Bureau Leadership seminar in San Angelo last summer and has served as a member of the junior board of First State Bank in Silverton his senior year. He is a scholar athlete and has completed courses for college credit while in high school. He has attended state conventions of the Future Business Leaders of America in Fort Worth and Houston, and has participated in basketball camps at Wayland Baptist University and Texas Tech University. He played in the summer basketball league, as well as playing tennis, basketball and golf. He was a regional qualifier in math and tennis this year. He served as editor of the school year book and was chosen as the Student Most Likely To Succeed and Most Outstanding Student this year. Brandon has also received a scholarship from Texas Tech University.

Brandon was a member of the North All-Stars who defeated the South in a special attraction held during the Texas Six-Man Coaches Association Clinic held in Lubbock last Friday night. He scored 13 for the North in a game in which he was playing with boys he had played against during his high school basketball career. "I think one reason our team played so well was that we did everything together all week," Sarchet said. "Coach Dutton drove us everywhere together in the van, and we had a good time all week."

Sarchet is the son of Ken Sarchet of Tahoka and Jonann Sandvig of Dallas. Grandparents are Mary Ann and Charlie Sarchet of Silverton and Johnnie Rogers of Quitaque and the late J. T. Rogers.

On The QT

Olivia Stockton sustained another broken hip Monday morning due to a fall. She was taken to Lubbock Methodist for surgery on the hip.

Olene Edwards has returned to Prairie House in Plainview following surgery recently in Lubbock.

Annetta Helms is now recuperating at the Heritage Home, Room 232, in Plainview following a fall at her home in Quitaque which resulted in a hip fracture.

Yoland Robinson has returned to her home following her hip surgery and a stay at Lockney Care Center.

Joy Lacy of Amarillo spent the Fourth of July weekend at the Quitaque Quail Lodge with her sister and husband, Vinita, and Guss Hrcnr. She attended church Sunday at the Quitaque Church of Christ. They had an enjoyable time, cooking out and relaxing.

They visited with Erma and Bill Dean Washington at their home southwest of Flomot, drove through Cottonwood Lake area and the State Park.

John Whitener of Paducah came home with his grandmother, Eunice McFall last Wednesday to spend a week visiting with her and his grandfather, Sid McFall while his mother, Beth Whitener and sister, Paula are at 4-H electric camp in New Mexico. John returned to his home on Wednesday of this week.

Estelle Davidson spent the weekend in Tulia with her daughter and husband, Lavada and Stewart McCracken.

According to City Hall, the City of Quitaque has received 26.80 inches of rain this year so far. James Brunson measures the rainfall for the city.

Luke Carpenter of Farwell spent last week visiting with his grandparents, Jackie and Ronnie Carpenter.

Contrary to what you may have heard on the street, Lee and Pearl Tapp, owners of the *Quitaque Hotel and the Rails to Trails Lodges* are not moving. Their plans are to remain in Quitaque with the doors of their establishments open for business.



Prices for the wild ginseng root have been reported to be as high as \$23,000 per ounce.



"PICKING AND GRINNING" AT OLD MOBEETIE

Old Mobeetie Bluegrass Festival Set For July 25th-27th

Once again, the sounds of banjos, fiddles, guitars and mandolins will flow across the grounds where Bat Masterson, Temple Houston and other Old West characters once lived and died many years ago: the seventeenth annual Old Mobeetie Bluegrass Festival promises to be the best yet. Sponsored by the Panhandle Bluegrass and Old-Tyme Music Association, this year's festival will take place Friday July 25th through Sunday July 27th on the grounds of the Old Mobeetie Courthouse and museum at Old Mobeetie, Texas. Mobeetie is 30 miles east of Pampa in the NE part of the Texas panhandle.

The music starts at 6 p.m. on Friday and continues all day Saturday and concludes with a session of Gospel Music on Sunday morning. An all-star review of top area bluegrass bands from Texas, Oklahoma and Missouri will provide non-stop bluegrass music. These groups include the *Chapman Family, Star Canyon, Tri-state Bluegrass Express* and many others.

The Old Mobeetie Association and the Volunteer Fire Department will again provide their famous 47 flavors of home made ice cream for everyone. Also available will be hamburgers and other concessions. The Mobeetie Courthouse and Jail Museum will be open for tours.

Camping is free and a limited number of RV hookups may still be available. Arts and crafts booths are welcome: be sure to bring your own lawn chairs.

by Earlyne Jameson OVERHEARD

A mother confided that she really knew she had reached middle age one day when her children complained that she wasn't driving fast enough and her mother accused her of speeding!

RAIN BOOSTS YEARLY TOTAL

Northwest Motley County received another 0.23 inch of rain late Thursday and early Friday morning, July 3 - 4. Mrs. Tommie Jo Cruse, NWSV of Flomot, reported the year's total rainfall through Friday is 20.55 inches which is above normal. Other rain gauges in the area have registered even more rain.

Locations reporting rainfall July 3-5 in Whiteflat measured 0.25 to 1.00 inch of rain. Everyone is saying that 1997 has been an unusual year. However, Mrs. Cruse asked a pondering question, "Isn't every year unusual for a Motley County farmer?"

It is nothing uncommon to see coyotes, coons, snakes, wild hogs and bobcats in rural Motley County, but residents are now seeing black panthers and mountain lions on their land!

Donnie Rogers met his daughters, Natalie and Brooke of Athens, Georgia, at the Lubbock airport Monday. They visited overnight with Mr. and Mrs. Ronnie Rogers before coming to Flomot Tuesday. The girls will visit their summer holidays here. They and grandparents Mr. and Mrs. Howard Rogers were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Degan and Dane in Calgary Sunday. Other guests were Chad and Shawna Wideman of Anton and Shay Degan and Jimmy McDaniels of Lubbock.

Visiting the past week with Kinds of Mosquitos

provided by Pammy Millican, CEA-Ag.

Step outside in the evening and you're sure to be greeted by a blood-thirsty mosquito. You might be surprised to know there are more than 165 different kinds of mosquitos in the United States, and that Texas is home to half of them. Extension Entomologist Dr. Jim Olson keeps track of what's going on in other parts of the world so he knows how diseases like malaria and encephalitis are spread.

He says a less familiar mosquito-carried disease threatening the United States is dancy (DAYNG-EE). It is a flu-like illness that causes severe headaches, nausea, a rash and aching bones. It can even result in internal bleeding that can kill you. Olson says it hasn't been a problem here in about 50 years, but there are numerous cases reported in Mexico that could prompt transmission to the U. S.

Contact your local County Agriculture Extension Agent, Pammy Millican for further information.

Citronella is the buzz word when it comes to protecting yourself against mosquitos. Extension entomologist Dr. Jim Olson says the candles work pretty well in areas sheltered from wind.

He says some people don't know that citronella plants are only effective if the leaves are crushed. He says bug zappers do kill mosquitos, but they can also attract bugs.

Dr. Olson states that covering yourself in products that contain "deet" is still your best bet. "Deet" is the active ingredient in many of the sprays and lotions you apply to your skin and clothing.

Olson says you can also cut down on the number of mosquitos by eliminating standing water.

T-B/Bruceellosis Remain Problems In Texas Cattle

by Pammy L. Millican, CEA-Ag.

Texas is running out of time to eradicate bruceellosis. The federal government has set a 1998 deadline and it's questionable whether Texas can comply. The state is also having to deal with an increase in tuberculosis among its cattle herds. Texas is scrambling to meet the looming deadline to rid the state of bruceellosis. Texas is one of only a handful of states that are still battling the bovine disease. Twenty-five herds here are quarantined. That's more than any other state, but then again, Texas has more cattle than any other state. Texas A&M veterinarian Dr. Kerry Barling says Texas may have to dispose of infected herds to comply with the 1998 deadline set by federal Animal Health officials.

Tuberculosis is also a growing concern in Texas and other states. There's no vaccine for tuberculosis so eradication of that disease is farther off. As for bruceellosis, there is a vaccine. In fact there's a new and improved vaccine that is far more accurate than vaccines of the past. For more information, please contact your Briscoe County Agricultural Agent, Pammy Millican.

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Both Teachers and Children Deem Valley Summer School A Success

by Mary Pigg
The Valley School Summer School was a great success. Pre-K and kindergarten studied about "Me and My Family." First and second grade studied about dinosaurs. Third through fifth graders studied about water, using reading, science and math skills.

They all learned many things and thirty-one students had perfect attendance. In all, around 65 students were enrolled with chicken-pox causing the most absences. Incentives were given out on the last day for good attendance. Erika Cruz received top prize, an electronic computer.

Third through fifth grade wrote about their thematic unit, water. Here are some of their letters:

FERNANDO REGALADO
What I learn in Summer School is that we are made up of 2/3 of water. I learn that we might be drinking some dinosaur spit.

I also learn that when we take a 15 minute shower we waste 60 gallons of water and when we take a five minute shower we waste 20 gallons of water.

We use water to wash our clothes, dishes, to take a shower, to wash our hands and to wash our cars.

RUBEN RAMOS
I like Summer School because it is fun. The teacher are nice in Summer School. I like Summer School cause it is a fun four weeks. Mrs. Pigg is my teacher in Summer School. I like Summer School. Summer School is smart. We have Summer School at our school. In Summer School it is a fun day. In Summer School we do work.

ERIKA CRUZ
I learn about the water. The water comes from rains. The water is nice. The plants need some water. The water comes from the rivers. The grass needs some water. All the plants need some water. If

we don't have some water they will die. All the animals drink some water. We need some so we can wash our hands. We need some water so we can clean the doors. We need some water so we can wash our clothes. We need some water so we can wash the cars. We need some water to clean the tables or wash the dishes or the cups. We need some water so we can take a bath.

JAKE MAUPIN
What I Learned In School I Learned about the water is 300 million years old. I have learned that the water from lakes and rivers evaporates and makes clouds and when it get too heavy it turns into droplets. I learned that the water tower holds 50,000 gallons of water for storage. Some water that we drink is made of dinosaur spit. I learned that it is very old.

JUAN MENDOZA
What I Learned In Summer School I learned that 2/3 of our body is made up of water. There is 50,000 gallons of water in a water tower. We use 90,000 gallons of water every day. 70% of the earth is covered with water. In Summer School I learned that some of the water we drink can be dinosaur spit. We learned that evaporation is when it rains and when it gets hot the water goes back in the air. The rain comes back as snow, hail, rain or sleet.

ANA ROSA POIZOS
I learned in Summer School that water evaporates. When you drink water you can be drinking dinosaur spit. 2/3 of your body has water. You need to drink water or you will die. Plants need water or they will die too. Animals need water too or they will die. On oceans there is salt because of the salty rocks. If there

wasn't any water the fish would die, animals would die and plants would die too. The earth is almost covered with water. 70 percent of the earth is covered with water. If you take a five minute shower you will take 20 gallons. If you take a thirty minute shower you will use 60 gallons. When water evaporates you can't see it but you can feel it. In rivers, ponds, lakes, streams there are not any salt. We need water to wash, cook and for a lot of other things too. We need water to survive. We need to drink water if you don't drink enough water you will die.

ASENCION POZOS
I learned in Summer School about water, reading and English.

I learning in Summer School reading and Computer. I learning in Summer School about multiplication. I learning in Summer School reading and English.

LETHA MARIE GREENE

I learned that your body is made up of 2/3 of water. I learned that there are different kinds of water. I learned that plants store water. I learned that you can not drink salt water. I learned that water can be used over and over again. I learned that you can't live without water for two or three days but you can live a long time without food. I learned that almost all of the earth is water and there's only a little bit of land on earth. I learned about the water you can drink. I learned that if you put a ice cube in water it will float but if you put it in rubbing alcohol it will sink to the bottom of the glass. I learned that the sea and the ocean has salt water. The pond and lake, the river and the stream does not have salt water in it. I learned that every little living thing has to have water like you and me.

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Candidate Speaking Draws Huge Crowd

The candidate speaking, pie and cake sale last Saturday night sponsored by the Turkey chapter of the Order of Eastern Star, brought to town one of the largest if not THE largest crowd that ever visited Turkey.

Lots of folks were in town all day but with sun-down they come trekking from all directions. Merchants had a very brisk trade, some of whom offered specials for the day.

With George Ray Colvin acting as auctioneer the cake and pie sale got under way about 8:30. The bidders moved a little slowly which delayed the speaking that was to follow but the folks had come to hear so they waited.

Most of the candidates spoke, but some were absent and others for minor offices, if they were present, declined the opportunity to speak.

The ladies of the OES realized \$129.50 from the sale of their ware and are very appreciative of the support given. Also they are grateful to Colvin for his good work as auctioneer, and to J. V. Mohon who handled the mikes and speaking program.

Some folks wonder what the money raised under various projects they sponsor. They have a number of charitable activities on their program. Nurse hire in indigent cases, flowers for the sick, hospitalization, help for the needy in a number of ways—all good and worthy causes, for which they seek no glory but for which they should and are commended.

But that crowd in Turkey Saturday night was amazing, and the ladies also should be commended for that fact. All the candidates were fully appreciative of the opportunity to talk to the voters and express themselves very cordially.★★

Mr. and Mrs. Odell Cunningham and daughter are visiting his parents in Turkey for an extended visit.★★

Denver Powell transacted business in Childress Saturday afternoon.★★

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