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This rattlesnake was spotted by Bill Carthel of Silver Cloud Ranch, just off the Caprock on FM 256 in Briscoe County. He appears to be enjoying a rabbit



After being interrupted during his lunch this rattlesnake was not very happy about having his picture taken. Care should be taken when outside, rattlesnakes are quite prevalent this time of year.

Lanes Injured In Wreck **Near Estelline**

According to The Childress a three vehicle accident last Friday morning in Estelline injured Iona and Boyd Lane, of Turkey. Also involved was Ted Bruce of Childress and an unidentified woman in a Ford

Areostar from Memphis.
According to Estelline Police Chief, Marcelino Munoz, in a phone interview with the Childress Index the accident happened at the intersection of the southbound lane of U.S. 187 and State Hwy. 86.

Bruce, was already at the intersection, apparently about to turn onto the southbound lane when the southbound van trav-eling on U.S. 287 hit the Lanes' pickup, involving Bruce in the crash, Munoz reported. The Lanes were headed home to Turkey from Childress, a familv member said. An investigation is currently in progress

Iona Lane suffered a broken leg in the crash was reportedly taken by air to Amarillo. Her husband, Boyd Lane and Ted Bruce, escaped serious injury, the unidentified woman from Memphis was transported by



Back: L-R Coach Ramsey, Rachael Eubank - Spur, Katherine Pigg - Valley, Lauren Weid - New Home, Erin Ashley - Meadow, Coach Smith. Middle: Ben Seth Ramsey. Front: L-R Jennifer Hutchison - Miami, Katy Donaldson - Fort Elliot, Brittany Spradling - Happy, Shawnde Nichols -Lazbuddie, Carrie LaRue - Wellman, Haley Bennett - Hedley.

Lady Patriots Well Represented At Six-Man All Star Spectacular

The annual 'Six-Man Coaches Clinic and All Star Basketball and Football' spectacular was held in Lubbock last week. The week featured speakers from top six-man programs from across the state and culminated with a set of All Star football and basketball games that featured the top players and coaches from six-man programs from all regions of the state.

The North girls squad had a distinct Lady Patriot flavor, with coaches Greg Ramsey and Stuart Smith honored with the coaching assignment and Valley's own Katherine Pigg nominated to play on the elite squad. Other players on the North team were Rachael Eubank - Spur, Lauren Wied - New Home, Erin Ashley - Meadow, Jennifer Hutchison - Miami, Katy Donaldson - Fort Elliot, Brittany Spradling - Happy, Shawnde Nichols - Lazbuddie, Carrie LaRue - Wellman, and Haley Bennett from Hedley.

The game that featured the North vs. East squad was played at 1 p.m. Saturday in the Rip Griffin Center on the Lubbock Christian College campus. The game saw the North squad completely dominating the action from the opening tip-off until the final buzzer.

The North team scored 16 of the games first 18 points, and applied intense defensive pressure which didn't allow the East team a field goal until the third quarter. On offense, the North featured an inside out game with the 6'2" Pigg inside and sharpshooters outside such as Spradling and Bennett. The North squad hit 14 3-point shots and dominated the offensive and defensive boards.

The final score was the North wining by an unbelievable 77-18 score. Brittany Spradling of Happy was named the games MVP with 24 points. Haley Bennett of Hedley added 13 points. Katherine Pigg made the Valley fans on hand very proud by scoring 11 points, pulling down a game high 12 rebounds and blocking 5 shots. This was the final game of an outstanding career for Katherine and she made the Valley folks proud.

Jimmy Ross Elected VP Of The **International Lions Club Association**

Quitaque resident Jimmy Ross was elected second vice president of the International Association of Lions Clubs during the international convention held earlier this month in Detroit Ross will be in charge of the SightFirst program, a \$143.5 million effort to eliminate preventable and reversible blindness.

Jimmy is a retired judge and businessman and is involved in several community and professional organizations in Quitaque and in Texas. He has been a member of the Lions Club since 1969 and has served as chapter president, lieutenant district governor, multiple district secretary, state membership and extension chairperson, multiple district council chairperson and international director. He has chartered more than 200 clubs. Jimmy and his wife, Velda, have three children.

Calendar **Events**

* Turkey Economic Development Board meeting @ 7 p.m. * Drivers License Office Open at Briscoe County Courthouse 9:30 a.m. - 3 p.m

July 26

* Quitaque's Weight Watchers meeting @ 5:45 p.m. Weigh-In @ 5:15 p.m

* Caprock Partners meeting @

meeting

Farmers Market To Open In Memphis

Mayor Joe Rollo of Memphis announced the opening of Memphis Farmers Market and Flea Market to be held on the corner of 8th Street and U.S. 287 this Saturday, July

The farmers market venue cluding sellers of vegetables, crafts and other Flea market items. To make arrangements please call the Memphis City Office at 1-806-259-3001.

The Memphis Farmers Market will give local farmers 5:30 p.m.
* Turkey Lions Club meeting Market will give local farmers and vendors the opportunity to display there wares at a * Quitaque Fire Department busy central location and plans now are to have the Briscoe County Historical Memphis Farmers Market ev-

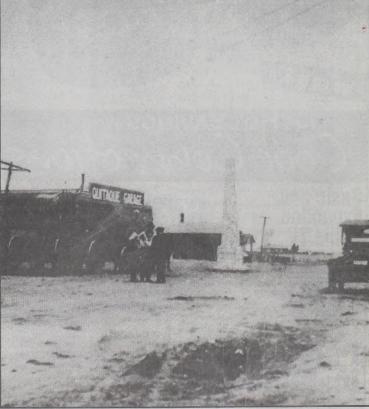
One Man Arrested In Quitaque Theft, **Another Sought For Questioning**

According to Briscoe County Sheriff, Jeff Fuston, in a phone interview conducted Wednesday, July 14, two juveniles have been questioned and one adult has been arrested and released on bond in connection with the vandalism and robbery in will be FREE to all sellers, in- Quitaque on June 28. After admitting to the crime the trio implicated another adult, who remained at large at the time of the interview and is wanted for questioning. The names of the trio were not released by the Sheriff's office.

After statements by the two juveniles and one adult, a search was made on June 30 at Co. Rd. 29 and Co. Rd. PP to a spot where the tools had reportedly been dumped. The items had been removed by an unknown person, but tire tracks and foot prints from the area were taken and are currently being analyzed by the Texas Rangers, who are assisting in the investigation.

According to the police report tools amounting to about \$500 were taken in the incident and have not been recovered. The tools, approximately 30 of them mostly Craftsman, were sizes from 3/8" to 1 1/4" The passenger window of the pickup was also broken and the vehicle was entered, a GPS unit antenna, valued at \$50 was also

Anyone having any information concerning this crime is encouraged to contact Sheriff Fuston at 806-823-2135



This picture of the Quitaque Ozark Trail monument, cira. early 1920's, was sent by S.T. Bogan, Jr. of Norman, OK. According to Mr. Bogan, who lived in Quitaque from 1924 until he left for the Army in 1941, said the monument contained mileages to various other towns and the slogan "Follow the Ozark Trail Through The Scenic Wonderland of The Southwest"

Jane Merrell Pigg of Plainview called to say that the Trail Marker in Estelline is supposedly located north of Estelline on the east side of the Mill Iron Headquarters. It is located in a wash behind the home of Author and Elizabeth Eddleman, according to a story Mrs. Eddleman told Mrs. Pigg several years ago. She sai as used to fill a wash between their home and the railroad right-of-way many

Remember the "Holiday Lights on the Ozark Trail" meeting to be held August 9th at noon in the Swisher Memorial Museum in Tulia. Silverton, Quitaque, Turkey, Lakeview, Memphis and Estelline are encouraged to attend & help decorate our



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The Original TEXAS CROSSWORD



will make their home in Turkey (Fustonville).
Paul Robertson was here Sunday visiting Dessie Robertson

Billy and Margie Pinkerton enjoyed their visit to Lewisville to visit
Vera and her family. They returned on Tuesday.
Oleta Randell and Nadine Davis went to Childress Saturday.
Marie Cruse went to Red River to a Timmons reunion. Her son
Shannon Cruse and his family and J. M. Dickson also attended. Louis and Oleta Randell went to Lubbock Wednesday for Oleta's

arner goes for X-rays Wednesday eye Dr. appointment.

This Week's Movies In Review **Two Brothers**

Action/Adventure and Drama

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1 hr. 49 min.

From Jean-Jacques Annaud, the acclaimed director of The Bear, comes a motion picture event for the whole family. Set not so long ago in a distant land, Two Brothers is the story of twin tiger cubs - one shy and gentle, the other, bold and fierce - who are born among the temple ruins of an exotic jungle, but are one day separated by fate. The bold brother is sold off to a circus, where homesickness and living in a cage rob him of his spirit. The shy cub becomes the beloved companion for the governor's lonely young son, until an accident forces the family to give him away to a man who resolves to break his gentle nature and turn him into a fighter for sport. When they are fully grown, the brothers find themselves reunited - but as forced enemies pitted against each other. An epic adventure story about the power of friendship, the bond between brothers and the spirit that connects us all, Two Brothers stars Guy Pearce (Memento, L.A. Confidential) as the adventurer whose tragic intervention into the idyllic lives of the twin cubs forever intertwines their fates. Two Brothers was filmed on location in Cambodia and Thailand. The screenplay was written by Jean-Jacques Annaud and Alain Godard (The Name of the Rose, Enemy at the Gates) from an original story by Annaud.

MPAA Rating: PG for mild violence.

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Action/Adventure and Science Fiction/Fantasy

1 hr. 55 min.
Will Smith stars in this action thriller inspired by the classic short story collection by Isaac Asimov and brought to the big screen by director Alex Proyas (Dark City, The Crow). In the year 2035, robots are an everyday household item and everyone trusts them, except one slightly paranoid detective (Smith) investigating what he alone believes is a crime perpetrated by a robot. The case leads him to discover a far more frightening threat to the human race. Release Date: July 16th, 2004.

MPAA Rating: PG-13 for intense stylized action, and Mr & Mrs Doyle D. Proctor some brief partial nudity.

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There is nothing inherently Mr & Mrs Curtis Scrivner wrong with a brain in your July 27 90's. If you keep it fed and Mr & Mrs Rick Macrum interested, it weill last you Mr & Mrs Billy Wheeler very well.

~ Mary Douglas July 29



July 22

Sarah Clay, Faye Cawley, Daniel G. Galvan, Mykenna Cranmer, Warren Lee Merrell, Christopher Yorston, Kaitlyn Leeper, Domingo Castillo July 23

Marie Cruse, Gilbert Ortiz July 24

Mitchell Farley, Betty Price, Becky Ferguson, Tyler Messer July 25

Mary Kate Davidson, Jack Pigg July 26

Jeffrey Butler, Karen Leeper, Leonor Silva

Braydon Wade Smith, Jayson Wes Shivers Pigg, Douglas Payne, Clara Ruth Davidson, Jacob Pigg July 28 Brent Campbell

July 29 Brenda Ortiz



July 22

July 23 Mr & Mrs Jon Davidson July 26

Mr & Mrs Ronald L. Mullin

Mr & Mrs Dean Mullin

Obituaries

Richard D. March

76, of Quitaque, Texas were held Wednesday, July 21, 2004 at the First United Methodist Church in Quitaque with Rev. Glenda Johnson officiating. Interment followed in the Quitaque Cemetery under the direction of Seigler Funeral Home of Matador. Mr. March passed away Thursday,

July 15, 2004 at Amarillo. Mr. March was a resident of California before moving to Quita-que about a year and a half ago. Mr. March and his son owned and operated D & D Machine Shop for many years. He was a member of the First Baptist Church, but re-cently had been attending the First United Methodist Church in

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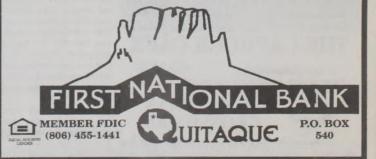
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FLOMOT NEWS

By Earlyne Jameson

OVERHEARD

The fleeting nature of time also bequeaths us an appreciation of every ticking moment. Each morning is a promise, each sunset not to be missed. Wisdom teaches us to embrace our mixed blessing without mixed feelings, to savor both the pleasure and the pain.

Hospital Patients
Furman Vinson is a patient at the Covenant Medical Center is Lubbock. He is having therapy treatments following recent hip replacement surgery. His wife, Beverly is staying with him. Also visiting during his hospitalizing are son and family, Mr. and Mrs. Roger Vinson of Lubbock.

Kylie Green, 19 year old twin daughter of Steve Green of Pampa, former Flomot resident, had cardiac surgery Monday, July 19 at the Covenant Medical Center in Lubbock. With them during surgery were Steve's sister. Mrs. Kellie Martin and

############## Mr. and Mrs. Lance Barclay, Kayla and Colton of Lubbock visited the weekend with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jerry

Mr. and Mrs. Wilburn Martin and her sister, Mrs. Wanda Lane of Lockney visited in Canyon, Saturday with their cousin, Claude Currie. Also visiting was his sister, Mrs. Betty Burns of

Weekend visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Coy Franks were son and family, Mr. and Mr. Cory Franks, Madison and Hudson of Lubbock. Visiting them Saturday night were Mr. and Mrs. Bill D. Washington of Flomot.

Mr. and Mrs. Orville Lee met her niece, Mrs. Shannon Jones of Carlsbad, N.M. in Lubbock Sunday to visit and enjoyed entertainment.

tertainment.

Mr. and Mrs. James Gwinn, Danielle, Fannin and Mrs. Tommie Jo Cruse visited during the weekend at the Gwinn home in Matador with Mrs. Michelle Jeffers of Austin and Aly Gwinn of Lubbock. Those of Matador visiting were Polly and Charles "Chig" Gwinn and Josie and Bill Raetz.

Annual Gwinn Family Reunion ~
Fullingim 5 oth Anniversary

Descendants of the C.H. Gwinn family held their annual reunion and celebrated the 5 oth wedding anniversary of Bob and Bonnie Fullingim of Harlingen Saturday, July 17 at the Community Center in Roaring Springs.

munity Center in Roaring Springs.

Hosting the Fullingim's anniversary were their children and families, Mr. and Mrs. Mike Ebrom of Bulverdi, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Fullingim of Argile and Mr. and Mrs. Tim Ayers of Austin. Their granddaughter, Jessica Ebrom of Jacksonville, Alabama was recognized at traveling the farthest to attend the fes-

tivities.

The name of Belinda Bailey of Lockney was drawn for the treasured block family quilt that is made each year for the reunion. Mrs. Maxine Gwinn of Nacogdoches pieced the quilt and Mrs. Josie Raetz of Matador quilted it.

Eighty two registered at the entertaining activities from Houston, Flomot, Wolfforth, Lockney, Nacogdoches, Harlingen, Spur, San Angelo, Lubbock, Matador, Austin, Floydada, Childress, Taylor, Roaring Springs, Broken Arrow, Oklahoma and Lacksonyilla, Albama.

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Cooks Corner

By Virginia Sailsbury

week I have some to try. Summer Squash Orange Cake can be made with either summer squash or zucchini, and is different and moist. If you're inundated with tomatoes, try one of the following recipes after you've eaten all the sliced ones you can.

Summer Squash Orange Cake

3 cups flour 3 teaspoons baking powder

1 teaspoon salt I teaspoon cinnamon teaspoon nutmeg

1/4 teaspoon ground cloves 1 cup butter or margarine,

1-3/4 cups brown sugar teaspoons grated orange

4 eggs

1/3 cup orange juice -1/2 cups grated squash

Sift the dry ingredients together. Cream the butter, sugar, and orange rind. Beat in the eggs. Slowly beat in the dry ingredients alternately with the orange juice, Stir in the squash. Pour into a greased and floured 10-inch tube pan. Bake in a preheated 350° oven for 50-60 minutes. Makes 10-inch tube cake.

Gazpacho, a cold, tomatobased soup is a treat in hot Texas summers. Please take time to hand chop the vegetables, because the texture is worth the time it takes. Double or triple the recipe if you like.

Gazpacho 4 large ripe tomatoes 3 cucumbers

l large bell pepper 12 green onions

2 cloves garlic Salt

1/4 cup red wine vinegar 1/3 cup olive oil

3 cups tomato juice 1 cup beef broth or water Tabasco sauce

Worcestershire sauce Pepper Croutons

Peel, seed and chop in 1/4 inch dice the tomatoes and the cucumbers. Trim bell pepper and green onions and chop in ¼ inch dice, also. Mash garlic and add salt. Beat in the vinegar and oil. Combine this dressing with the chopped vegetables and stir in tomato juice. Add broth or water. Season with a dash of Tabasco, Worcestershire, salt and pepper. Chill. Serve with thinly sliced cucumbers and croutons on top. Serves 4-6.

Grilled Tomatoes

Quarter regular tomatoes or use whole plum tomatoes. (While it would seem that cherry tomatoes would grill nicely, their small amount of pulp and high seed and juice content cause them to disintegrate rapidly.) Thread on skewers, place on hot grill, and cook, turning often, just until tomatoes are heated

through.
Piccalilli I quart green tomatoes l red pepper green pepper Kosher of pickling slat 2 cups chopped onions

2 cups vinegar l cup sugar 1-3/4 oz. box pickling spices Wash, core, and chop the tomatoes and peppers. Make a brine of ½ cup salt to 1 quart water and cover the chopped vegetables. Let sit overnight. Drain off the water. Heat the vinegar and sugar in an enameled or stainless steel saucepan until the sugar dissolves. Pour over the vegetables; bring to a boil. Add pickling spices tied in a cheesecloth bag and boil gently for 30 minutes. Remove spice bag and ladle into hot jars, leaving 1/4-inch head room. Adjust caps and process 10 minutes in boiling

water bath. Makes 4 pints. God Bless America!

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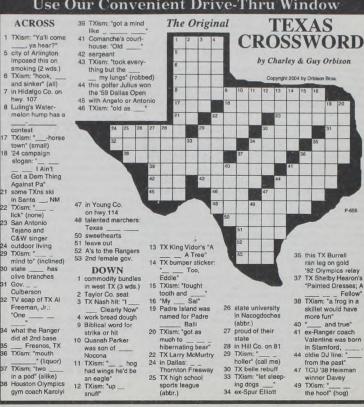
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The Hall County Commissioner Court met in regular session on July 12 with following members present, County Judge Jack Martin, Commissioners Milton Beasley, Jr. Pct #3, Terry Lindsey Pct #2, Buddy Logsdon Pct #3, James Fuston Pct #4 and Raye Bailey County Clerk. After attending to regular monthly court business the Court attended to the following new business:

* The court tabled Item #5, regarding access to the Joe Burnett farm, until the next monthly meeting or a called meeting if necessary.

* Bids were accepted from Melba Williams in the amount of \$900 on lots 10, 11, 12 in block 9, Original Town of Lakeview, Texas.

* It was agreed by the Court to have a standard form for logging of fuel use by Commissioners' Precincts.

* A Resolution was unamiously passed creating a capitalization

Capital Assets In Hall County

fuel use by Commissioners' Precincts.

* A Resolution was unamiously passed creating a capitalization policy for the capital assets of Hall County as follows:

* Section 1: Capital assets categories and thresholds will be:

* Land land improvements - Any amounts

* Buildings/building improvements - \$25,000.00

* Facilities and other improvements - \$25,000.00

* Infrastructure - \$50,000.00

* Personal property/equipment - \$5,000.00

* Leasehold improvements - \$25,000.00

Section 2: For clarification purposes of the policy the above items are generally defied as but not expressly limited to the following definitions:

Land/land improvements is the purchase price or fair market value.

are generally defied as but not expressly limited to the following definitions:

Land/land improvements is the purchase price or fair market vale at time of gift, any commissions, professional fees, land excavation, fill, grading, drainage, demolition of existing building (less salvage), property removal (relocation or reconstruction) of other (railroad, telephone, and power lines), date of purchase accrued mortgage interest and any unpaid taxes and right of way cost.

A building is a structure that is permanently attached to the land, has a rood and is partially or completely enclosed by walls. A building improvement must extent the life of the building or increase the value of the building. Examples of capitalized building improvements are structural changes and installation or upgrade of roofing, heating and cooling systems, electrical, etc.

Facilities are considered to be assets built, installed or established to enhance the quality or facilitate the use of land of a specific purpose. Facility improvements are considered to be fencing, landscaping, parking lots, recreation areas, septic systems, and pavilions. Infrastructure is usually considered stationary and can be preserved for significantly greater number of years than most capital assets. They are often linear and continuous in nature. Infrastructure improvements should extend the useful life and/or increase the value by 25% of the original cost or life period. Examples of infrastructure are streets, curbs, gutter, sidewalks, fire hydrants, bridges, dams, drainage facilities, radio towers, water mains, and distribution lines, light systems, and signage.

Personal property are vehicles, other motor vehicles, furnishings, and equipment.

Leasehold improvements are the construction of new buildings or improvements made to existing structures by the lessee, who has the

operations that the life of extends beyond one year. Examples of personal property are vehicles, other motor vehicles, furnishings, and equipment.

Leasehold improvements are the construction of new buildings or improvements made to existing structures by the lessee, who has the right to use these leasehold improvement over the term of the lease.

* A Resolution was adopted authorizing the submission of a grant application to the Governor's Criminal Justice Division (CJD) under the Local Law Enforcement Block Grant Program and designating the County Judge to act as the County's authorized official, with the power to apply for , accept, reject, alter or terminate this grant on behalf of Hall County.

* A Resolution urging State leaders to delay the closure of local Department of Health offices was unamiously passed by the Court.

* The Court nominated Billie Mills as a member of the Hall County Historical Commission.

* Election Judges and alternate Election Judges for the next two years were appointed as follows at \$6.00 per hour:

* Precinct *201 - Ava Dell Clark - Judge / Bobie Ariola - Alternate Judge Precinct *202 - Lisa Koepke - Judge / Bobie Ariola - Alternate Judge Precinct *301 - Fran Ferrel - Judge / Bobie Fotts - Alternate Judge Precinct *301 - Fran Ferrel - Judge / Bobie Fotts - Alternate Judge Precinct *301 - Fran Ferrel - Judge / Mary Loury - Alternate Judge Precinct *401 - Fredia Fuston - Judge / Bob Fowler - Alternate Judge Precinct *402 - Hoot Jones - Judge / Yeive Miller - Alternate Judge Early Voting - Adam DeLeon - Judge / Bob Fowler - Alternate Judge Early Voting - Adam DeLeon - Judge / Bob Fowler - Alternate Judge The meeting was then adjourned.

Haying and Grazing In Hall County

Cutting hay and grazing livestock on land enrolled in the Conserva-tion Reserve Program, in the absence of a weather-related emergency, is now an option for Texas producers.

Billy Foster, county executive Director for Hall County Farm Ser-

vice Agency, reminds producers that managed haying and grazing is allowed on CRP land. Haying is approved in Texas through September 29 and grazing is approved through October 29, 2004. Prior to the 2002 farm Bill, commercial use of CRP land was generally prohibited except for weather-related emergencies such as drought.

To take advantage of the haying and grazing options, producers must

modify existing conservation plans for the CRP acreage to include managed having and grazing practices. The plans must be developed in conjunction with USDA's Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) or one of its technical service providers.

Producers must also agree to certain terms and conditions, includ-ing signing an agreement to reestablish, at the owners own cost, any cover destroyed or damaged as a result of haying or grazing and to remove all hay within 10 days of being notified that the managed haying and grazing season has ended.

Foster emphasized that for acreage that is hayed or grazed, annual rental payments producers receive for enrolling land into CRP will be reduced by 25 percent.

For additional eligibility criteria and information regarding CRP Managed Haying and Grazing, contact the Hall County FSA office at 806-259-3579 or visit the USDA Web site at http://www.fsa.usda.gov.

Assistance Available To Preserve Texas Grasslands

Landowners have until tomorrow, July 23, to file applications for the Grassland Reserve Program (GRP) administered by the USDA Farm Service Agency. This is the final date to submit an offer and have considered for 2004 fiscal year funding.

"The voluntary Grassland Reserve Program helps preserve and con-serve our nation's grassland by providing financial and technical assistance to the landowners" said Billy Foster, County Executive Director for the Hall County FSA Office.

Grasslands eligible for enrollment in this program may be native grassland, improved rangeland or improved pastureland. Other acreage which may qualify for enrollment includes land containing forbs or shrubs, or land located in an area historically dominated by grassland. Offers for participation in GRP will receive assistance to support grazing operations, to increase and maintain plant and animal biodiversity. and to protect grass and range lands under the greatest threat of con-

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PCG Officers Discuss Insurance Issues; TCP **Contingent Make Washington Rounds**

PCG President Rickey Bearden and Vice President Mike Hughes traveled to Washington, DC July 12-14 with cotton producers from across Texas to discuss cotton issues and reinforce the importance of the current Farm Bill to USDA officials and members of Congress. Bearden and Hughes were in Washington as part of a Texas Cotton

Producers group seeking to discuss current cotton related issues and to reinforce the strong working relationship the cotton industry has with USDA personnel and Texas congressional representatives.
During the trip Bearden and Hughes joined the TCP group to visit

congressional staff and hear reports from key USDA agency representation

The TCP group met with several members of the Texas Congressional delegation including: Representatives Max Sandlin (District 1), Chet Edwards (District 11), Mac Thornberry (District 13), Ron Paul (District 14), Charles Stenholm (District 17), Randy Neugebauer (District 19), Henry Bonilla (District 23), Solomon Ortiz (District 27), and Senator John Cornyn. Representatives from the House and Senate Agriculture Committees also briefed the TCP group.

Jim Butler, USDA Deputy Under Secretary for Farm and Foreign Agricultural Services; David Hatch, Associate Administrator of the Risk Management Agency; Al Jennings, Director, Office of Pest Management Policy; Scott Sanford, Farm Service Agency Fibers Analysis

Group, and Carol Skelly, USDA World Outlook Board, provided USDA updates on cotton related programs and issues.

The TCP group concluded their trip with a luncheon at the National Cotton Council's Washington office attended by Special Assistant to the President Christopher Smith.

In addition to their TCP schedule, PCG's officers also met with representatives of the Risk Management Agency to discuss the current deferred appraisal period for non-emerged seed and find a solution that meets the needs of the producer in the field and the Federal Crop Insurance program.

During the meeting several options were discussed and progress

made toward development of an equitable solution. The ultimate goal is to develop a solution that can be initiated in 2005 crop year.

PIE Tour Provides CA/AZ Producers Up Close View of Plains Production Practices

Eight California, Arizona and New Mexico cotton producers arrived

en the Texas High Plains July 10 as part of the 2004 Producer Information Exchange Programs' Southwest Tour.

By the time they were through they made new friends, learned about production techniques unique to the High Plains and gathered new ideas to take back tot their own operations.

The group leaves the area with a better understanding of how their High Plains couterparts go about the business of growing a crop they are familiar with but wing in means a company of the part of the second of the sec

are familiar with but using, in many cases, completely unfamiliar tech-

The group interacted with High Plains cotton producers and past PIE Tour participants and toured farms in the Lubbock area to observe irrigation and production practices common to the High Plains

PCG Executive Vice President Steve Verett officially welcomed the proup to the area during a dinner and reception with the leadership of Plains Cotton Growers, Inc. July 10. During his presentation Verett went over the role that PCG and other regional producer organizations serve within the industry as well as background information about

the region's cotton industry.

From Lubbock the group traveled to Lamesa to tour the AG-Cares research facility and on to the Rolling Plains region where they met with current National Cotton Council Chairman Woody Anderson and growers from the Abilene and San Angelo area.





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There Are Stories I Love To Tell

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Flomot High. Now in this school there were great wise men and women called teachers and therein resided younger people called students. Now the more mature of these

students were referred to as seniors or sometimes as upper

classmen. Now the next rung down on the ladder were

classmen. I'm sure they were good natured as they all laughed

and had a great time and I never remember, even once, of

them hurting their foot or breaking any of those needle nosed

One day, while hanging out at the boy's restroom, I was

privileged to see an incident that warmed the cockles of my heart. At this time I was a sophomore and wasn't due anymore

hazing. A freshman was doing penance to one of the porcelain

gods mounted on the wall and now entered an upperclassman.

This good 'ole boy thought it to be a grand idea if the freshman had a wet back which he dashed over to do.

picture right there in that wet floor. I'm sure that hurt, landing flat of his back that way but to show that he had a cavalier attitude about it all, he added more liquid to that already wet

floor, looking something like one of those fountains you see

in books about Rome. I was impressed and quite amused with this whole event and wondered how anyone could ever

top it. Everyone there seemed to enjoy this display of

acrobatics and for those not there, shoot, I really enjoyed

telling each and everyone of 'um.

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Last Week In Texas History!

July 14, 1881

referred to as Juniors and then next were Sophomores and the lowest, next to a dead skunk, was a Freshman. This followed the Indian caste system with the freshman being the

July 14, 1881
William H. Bonney, (aka Billy the Kid) was buried at Fort Sumner, N.M. He was shot and killed by Sheriff Pat Garrett. The Kid and Garrett were both employed by the same rancher as hired guns at Tascosa years earlier.
July 14, 1843
Commodore Edwin Moore sailed without authorization and began attacking Mexican ships in the Gulf of Mexico. Sam Houston declared Moore a pirate, but when he returned to Galveston he was welcomed as a hero by island residents. Having endured the eternity of a year as a Freshman and still alive, I felt blessed by the Good Lord, having survived the hazing and good natured back- side kicking by the upper

dents.
July 15, 1874
Gen. William Sherman wired Gen.
Phil Sheridan and ordered the U.S.
Calvary be sent to the Panhandle
to fight the Indians.

July 15, 1862

Texans were subject to compulsory military service by Confederate President Jefferson Davis.

in a boy's restroom to be wet, especially near the drain from where the upperclassman launched himself at the freshman? Those needle nose boots didn't get much traction on slick concrete and as my dear 'ole dad used to say, he drew his

ate President Jefferson Davis.

July 15, 1839

The Battle of Neches River between Texans and Cherokee Indians began near Tyler.

July 16, 1839

The Battle of the Neches River in Van Zandt County ended. Chief Bowles, Sam Houston's friend, was killed in cold blood. After the Cherokees lost the battle they were moved from east Texas to Arkansas.

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July 17, 1945

Clara Driscoll died in San Antonio. She purchased the Alamo and surrounding property for \$75,000 in 1903, and was credited for saving it from commercial use.

July 17, 1917

Construction began on Camp Bowie in Fort Worth. The training camp was named in honor of Alamo hero, Jim Bowie.

July 17, 1847

President James Polk ordered Texas Ranger Capt. Jack Hays and his company of Rangers to guard the line of communications between Gen. Zachary Taylor and the U.S. border during the Mexican-American War.

July 17, 1804

The first immunization program in Texas began by the Spanish using cowpox vaccine brought from Spain.

July 18, 1917

Only one day after construction of Camp Bowie began, the 36th Texas' Division was organized. The unit was composed of 95 percent Texans and was the first U.S. Army unit to invade Europe during WWII.

July 18, 1865

Col. John "Rip" Ford of The Cavalry of the West returned to Brownsville from his exile in Mexico after the Civil War. Upon arrival he was warmly greated by Gen. William Sheridan.

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The construction of an "all-weather" road into Palo Duro Can-yon by about 600 CCC workers be-

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July 19, 1878
Bandit Sam Bass and his gang of outlaws were engaged in a shootout with Texas Rangers. Bass was wounded in the battle and carried off by the surviving members of his gang.

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July 20, 1874

The Secretary of War approved the "final campaign" plan against the Plains Indians.

July 20, 1867

Congress created the Indian Peace Commission in an effort to stop the fighting in the Plains area.

July 21, 1878

The bandit Sam Bass died of the gunshot wounds he had received in a shoot-out with Texas Rangers two days earlier. He died on his 27th birthday.

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King Family Reunion Held in Bowie, TX

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By Joy Turner

Ora Lee King, her children and grandchildren and others enjoyed a wonderful get together in Bowie this past weekend. Jerry and Evorie Jones hosted the event in their home and also in the Bible Baptist Churches fellowship hall. Jerry is pastor of this beautiful church.

There were over eighty in attendance for this special reunion, the oldest being 90-1/2 and the youngest 3 weeks. This reunion was special because all eleven of Ora Lee's children are still living and all experiencing fairly good health, which is reason enough for a celebration. Also a grandson Devin King just recently returned safely from an eleven-month tour of duty in Iraq. Ora Lee has 30 living grandchildren, 33 great-grands and 4 great-greats to spoil.

Some of the group met early Sat. morning in the Jones lovely home for visiting and getting reacquainted. Then they all journeyed to the fellowship hall where there was an even larger crowd gathered. After much more visiting and some very hard work by several of the ladies, a wonderful buffet meal which included brisket, chicken casseroles, and a little of everything else to eat was enjoyed by all.

Following the meal, token prizes were given to the oldest woman present – Aunt Evorie Graham and the oldest man present, Uncle Leland Christopher, the youngest girl, Ryna Taylor and the youngest boy, Cotton Martin. The newly weds were Devin and Lauren King. Bob and Marvis King were the couple married the longest (50 + years). Jon and Beth Jones from Missouri travelled the farthest; Evorie and Jerry have the most grandchildren and Connie and Iva Gafford had the most family members present.

A new event; an auction was held for the first time. A cousin Glen Graham honored us as the auctioneer and due to his experience with this, he made it so much fun! This turned out to be very successfull Mike King was the "King for the Day" winner for spending the most at the auction. He and wife Joyce got to go home with the quilt made and donated by Ora Lee. E

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Commissioners Appoint Election Judges

Election Judges

Briscoe County Commissioners Court met in regular session on July 12, 2004. Present were County Judge Wayne Nance, Commissioners Terry Grimland Pct #1, Larry Comer Pct #3, Gary Weaks Pct #4 and Bena Hester County Clerk, Commissioner Danny Manard Pct #2 was absent. After attending to regular monthly Court business the following new items were addressed:

* Election Judges and Alternate Election Judges were appointed for a one year term to begin August 1, 2004;

Pct 1 - Jana Beosinger - Election Judge, Tobe Riddell - Alternate Judge

Pct 2 - Donna Hamilton - Election Judge, Maria Merrell - Alternate Judge

Pct 3 - Dick Roehr - Election Judge, Joe Brannon - Alternate Judge

Pct 4 - Edwin Norris - Election Pct 4

Pct 4 - Edwin Norris - Election Judge, Jon Etta Ziegler - Alternate

Judge, Jon Etta Ziegler - Alternate Judge
Pct 5 - Bobby McCall - Election
Judge, Carolyn Luckenbach - Alternate Judge
Pct 6 - Ann Chadwick - Election Judge, Arnold Castillo - Alternate Judge
The Court passed a motion to contract with Lason company to begin microfilming records located in the county and District Clerk's office.
The Court appointed Fred Strange as the Briscoe County representative to MHMR.
The meeting was then adjourned.

Turkey Library News

Library News
The Turkey Library is still continuing to make progress on their library 'make-over' project. The painting is completed, thanks to the generous volunteer efforts of Ginger Morgan, Pauletta Lipscomb, Elwayne Self, Freida Fuston and Roberta Carson. New blinds have been recently installed on the windows. Former Valley Ag teacher Robert Herrington and four Valley Ag students completed modifications on two units of adjustable shelves and now have them in place as permanent built-in shelving. There are plans to have two more units finished in the near future, any one wishing to help with this project can contact Gail at Turkey City Hall.

The Library's Summer Read-

project can control City Hall. The Library's Summer Read-The Library's Summer Reading Program was a great success with a good attendance by area children. All the children are encouraged to continue coming to the Library to check out new books and return the ones they have already read. All adults are also encouraged to stop by and check out a book. They have a large assortment of fiction, non-fiction, periodicals, large print books, and FREE public internet access

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and Brenna of Arlington; Jon and
Beth Jones, Cameryn, Madisyn,
and Jaclyn of the Springfield, Missouri area and Ora Lee of Turkey.
Several have already started
making plans and suggestions for
the next reunion It had been 6
years since the last get-together.
Plans are to NOT wait that long
for the next one.

Loretta Zinsmeyer and her

for the next one.

Loretta Zinsmeyer and her family and Doyle and Ladell Ramsey and their family were the two that did not attend this year.

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