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Pesticide Collection Program Offers Assistance To Farmers

Farmers and ranchers on the South Plains will have a solution March 5 to their quandary of how to dispose of unusable and unwanted agricultural pesticides, and do so safely, legally and without penalty.

March 5 is the date for this area's Waste Pesticide Collection Program, the last of four being conducted across the state in February and March, explained Yoakum County Extension Agent - AG, Terry J. Millican. The collection is being conducted by the Texas Water Commission, Texas Department of Agriculture and Texas Agricultural Extension Service.

"There will be no charge and no questions asked for pesticides and certain other chemicals turned in at the Farmers Cooperative Gin at O'Donnell," Millican said. The gin is on South Loop 76 half a mile east of U.S. Hwy. 87. Chemicals will be accepted from 8 a.m. until 3 p.m.

Clean, properly rinsed metal and plastic pesticide containers also will be accepted.

This collection is targeted for the counties of Crosby, Dawson, Gaines, Garza, Hockley, Lubbock, Lynn, Scurry and Terry.

Pesticides that will be accepted are insecticides, fungicides, rodenticides, nematocides, bactericides, growth regulators, harvest-aid chemicals, livestock pesticides and other miscellaneous pesticides and herbicides.

Not acceptable are waste oils, solvents, paints, explosive materials, pesticides (herbicides) containing 2, 4, 5-T and Silvex, fertilizers or nutrient materials that are neither hazardous or contain pesticide mixtures.

"The goal of this program," the county extension agent said, "is to help private producers remove from the environment chemicals that they can't use and which may pose a threat to residents and their water supplies in farming and ranching communities.

"All private applicators in these counties should take advantage of this opportunity to dispose of these unwanted chemicals at absolutely no expense."

New laws and regulations sharply limit the options many producers have for disposing of unwanted chemicals

and used containers, Dr. Zerle Carpenter, director of the Extension Service, said. "These collection days provide an opportunity for producers to catch up with these new requirements, plus get accurate information and advice on how to dispose of these materials in the future," he said.

Before taking chemicals to the collection site in O'Donnell, producers can obtain from the county extension office a list of safety measures for transporting and the type of information about the materials which the collection point will need, the county agent said.

Other collections are being held Feb. 24 at Edna; Feb. 27 at Elsa; and March 2 at Munday.

-Rules for the Road-

1. Inspect containers. If you suspect that the container will tear or rupture when moved, do not attempt to move it. Notify collection site personnel for assistance.

2. When handling pesticides, wear the protective clothing and equipment - goggles, gloves, respirator - described on product labels.

3. Make sure all pesticides are securely packaged. Transport only containers that are securely closed. Pac' containers that won't close securely inside others that will.

4. Line the storage area of the transport vehicle with plastic sheeting

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GIRL SCOUTS AT FAIR - Troop 74 attended the Girl Scout Fair Saturday in Lubbock. Shown left to right, Leader Jerri Lollar, Jennifer Lollar and Cassandra Dearing.

In Lubbock

Girl Scouts Attend Fair

Members of Girl Scout Troop 74 participated in the annual Girl Scout Fair Saturday in Lubbock and manned a booth, "How to Conduct an Interview".

A video of an interview with Linda Wall was used in the booth. Pat Green loaned a portable television set for use at the booth. The troop expresses appreciation to these women.

The girls also contributed to the Juliette Low World Friendship Fund and participated in the parade by carrying their troop flag.

After the fair, all had supper at the 50 Yard Line Restaurant in Lubbock. Attending were Jennifer Lollar and Cassandra Dearing and their leader, Jerri Lollar.

Bulldogs 'Sweat It Out' With Cowgirls

For a while it looked like Anton, the number 6th ranked team in the state, might be headed for an upset loss. After jumping out to a 4-1 lead at the start of the game, Plains saw Anton come back to take an 18-9 first quarter lead.

The Cowgirls put on an 18-5 run and had the Lady Bulldogs sweating as Anton trailed 27-23 near the end of the first half. Costly turnovers and key baskets by Anton gave the hosts a five point halftime lead, 32-27. In the 18-14 edge Plains had in the quarter, most of the damage was done to the Lady Bulldogs at the line, where the Cowgirls hit 10 of 13 free throws.

Anton came out strong and physical in the third quarter, outscoring Plains 19-9 before Plains made one final run in the last stanza before coming up short. Foul trouble hampered the Cowgirls as starting post players Rena McElroy and Daphne Lowe each picked up three quick fouls. Rena eventually fouled out but reserve post Amy Crutcher came in and held her own, leading in rebounds and scoring in double figures.

Daphne and Ogla Ramirez led in scoring with 12 points each, followed by Amy Crutcher with 10; Rhonda Cowart, 6; and Rena and Ashlee Winn, 5 each. Daphne led in field goal per-

centage with 60% followed by Amy with 56%. Daphne also led in free

throw percentage with 86% followed by Ogla with 67% and Ashlee with 63%. Amy led in rebounds with 11

followed by Daphne with 8 and Ogla with 6. Rhonda led in assists with 3; Ashlee led in steals with 5.

The JV pulled out a big win as they turned the tables on the Lady Bulldogs. Anton, one of the stronger JV teams in the area, had defeated the Cowgirls in an earlier game at Plains, but this time was not the case as they claimed a 33-32 win.



Plains Independent School District

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CONFERENCE GUIDELINES

Naturally, all parents are interested in what their children do in school. The more parents can know about what goes on in the school life of their child, the better they can understand the feelings, the successes, and the problems that might arise during the school year.

Teachers, as well, are interested in the students they teach. The more teachers can know about their students - what they are like at home, how they relate to peers outside the school environment, what stressful situations they might have in their lives - the better a teacher can understand the behaviors and attitudes of their students.

Parents are encouraged to visit school and talk with teachers about their children. Because teachers are involved with an entire classroom of students, there are a few simple guidelines that might be of help in scheduling a conference time.

1. Begin to build a cooperative relationship with the teacher from the beginning of the school year.

2. Call the school office to set an appointment time that accommodates both you and the teacher's schedule. Please be understanding if the teacher is in class at the time you visit and do not expect to conference when children are in the room.

3. Schedule plenty of time for the conference.

4. Consider the purpose for the conference and decide whether the child should be present during the conference.

5. Be a participant as well as an active listener.

6. If the teacher shares concerns about the student's behavior, follow through. Be aware that you may naturally want to defend your child's behavior. Allow the teacher to give suggestions and give insights on the situation.

7. Take the initiative to bring up concerns you have that the teacher may not be aware of or may not be as concerned about as you are.

8. Please don't hesitate to share with the teacher positive notes or remarks that you have about your child's progress.

9. If you have numerous concerns, select one or two that are of utmost im-

portance to you and discuss these only.

10. If a plan of action has been worked out with the teacher during the conference, review the plan and set a definite date for the next conference or communication between you and the teacher before leaving.

Children are our "business". It is our privilege to care for and nurture them, filling their days with learning, excitement and fun. Your understanding, cooperation, and involvement as a parent will help your children reach greater heights of success.

Brenda Smith, Principal
Elementary School

SCHOOL MENU

BREAKFAST

MONDAY - Toast, oatmeal, grape juice and milk.

TUESDAY - Toast, cinnamon rolls, apple juice and milk.

WEDNESDAY - Toast, sausage, orange juice and milk.

THURSDAY - Pancakes, syrup, butter, tomato juice and milk.

FRIDAY - Toast, cereal, pineapple juice and milk.

LUNCH

MONDAY - Fish w/tartar sauce, mashed potatoes, green peas, hot rolls, peanut butter, honey and milk.

TUESDAY - Taco salad w/taco sauce, lettuce/tomato/cheese, pinto beans, cornbread, peach cobbler and milk.

WEDNESDAY - Hamburgers, lettuce, pickles, onions, Chee-tos, fruit, banana cake and milk.

THURSDAY - Pizza, tossed salad, corn, crackers, fresh pears and milk.

FRIDAY - Roast w/gravy, macaroni and tomatoes, green beans, hot rolls, peaches and milk.

SCHOOL CALENDAR

MONDAY - Jr. High Tennis - Whiteface - Sundown - Levelland - 4:00 p.m.

TUESDAY - High School Tennis - Denver City - There - 3:00 p.m.

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YOUR AIR CONDITIONER AND HEAT PUMP NEED ATTENTION

Your air conditioner and heat pump, like your automobile, require maintenance to perform well without costly breakdowns. Some maintenance has to be done by a qualified serviceman, but there are certain things you can do:

1. Always cut off power at the fuse or breaker box before you start to work.
2. Filters: Keep filters clean. Clogged filters reduce airflow, causing reduced efficiency and increased energy bills. Some filters may be washed, others must be replaced. You should change or clean the filters every six weeks, more often during heavy cooling season.
3. Fan motors: If fan motors are accessible and don't have permanently oiled bearings, you should oil them periodically. Oil strictly according to the manufacturer's or serviceman's instructions. A good 10 to 20 weight oil should be carefully applied.
4. Fan belts: If the fan belts are accessible, you should inspect them at regular intervals. If a belt is frayed, worn, or seems too loose, call your serviceman.
5. Outdoor units: Certain precautions should be taken to prevent damage to the outdoor unit.
 - a. Air passage through the outdoor unit should not be obstructed in any way. If the fan cannot pull air through the coils freely, the compressor could need service.
 - b. Cut all weeds and tall grass around the unit, and don't blow grass clippings toward the unit.
 - c. Don't plant shrubs close to the air intake and outlet.
 - d. Don't allow sticks or other objects to be poked into the fan or coil housing.

We also recommend that a serviceman inspect and service your units at least once a year. By doing so, he can make all the necessary routine adjustments and service the entire system. Often he can spot minor troubles which could lead to major repair and high electric bills if left uncorrected.

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Pesticides...

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5. If possible, arrange the pesticides by hazard class - flammable, corrosives, oxidizers, poisons - to prevent mixing of incompatible materials should spilling occur.

6. Make sure all labels are securely attached. Unlabeled containers must be tested before disposal. Your attention to this detail saves these expenses.

7. Brace containers in your vehicle to prevent shifting, which may cause leaks.

8. All containers should be kept dry during transport. If it rains, cover loads in such open vehicles as pickup trucks.

9. Be careful to keep fumes from pesticide wastes from entering vehicle.

10. Make two copies of a list of the pesticides that you are transporting. List the pesticide name, number of containers and hazard class (when known). Include the emergency phone numbers for fire and police assistance. In case of an accident, leave one copy of the list on the driver's seat and take the second with you to phone for help. The list on the seat will inform emergency units that may arrive while you are away.

11. Drive directly to the pesticide collection program site after you load your vehicle.

12. At the collection site, proceed where directed. If you observe spillage from your vehicle while waiting, get out of your vehicle and move upwind to the designated "safe zone".

13. DRIVE CAREFULLY. You are responsible for any spillage, damage, cleanup and restoration that might occur while you are transporting the wastes, whether the accident is your fault or others. The state and its contractor are not responsible for any spillage that occurs before the waste is accepted at the collection site.

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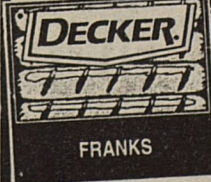
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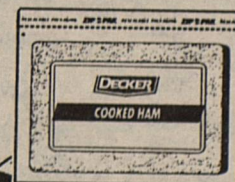


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