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Turkey has a brand new ambulance, thanks to the Hall County Hospital District, the Martha Cogdell Trust, local fundraising events and a partial grant that they received. Mayor Pat Carson wished to thank everyone that helped raise money for the new equipment. The new ambulance was not equipped with necessary equipment and fund raisers will continue to help purchase needed items. A new Stryker power cot has already been purchased for the ambulance and more items will be purchased as funds allow. The old ambulance will be used for a back-up.

Briscoe County Commissioners Court Opposes Weather Modification

The Briscoe County Commissioners Court met in regular session on Monday, February 11, 2008. Present for the meeting were County Judge Wayne Nance, Commissioners Terry Grimland, Pct 1; Dale Smith, Pct 2; Larry Comer, Pct 3; John Burson, Pct 4; County Clerk Bena Hester; County Treasurer Mary Jo Brannon and Connie Smith. After attending to regular monthly court business the following items were addressed:

* Rank Cogdell led a discussion about Weather Modification and presented the court with a resolution to oppose this practice in Briscoe County. A motion passed to approve the resolution #08-001 - Opposing Weather Modification in Briscoe County.

* A motion passed to award a contract to Ruben Ramirez and Son to repair and paint the interior of the courthouse for \$20,000 with the county purchasing all of the supplies. The motion included allowance for the County Judge to approve partial payments to Mr. Ramirez without court convening.

* A motion passed to approve the 2006-07 audit report as presented by Dianne Washington, CPA.

With no further business the meeting was adjourned.

Summer 2008 Student Internship At Caprock Canyons State Park

Applications are now being accepted for The Texas Parks and Wildlife Department's Student 2008 Internship Program at Caprock Canyons State Park and Trailway. The program is designed for CURRENT college students. The internship is a paid internship and the hourly wage is based on the number of completed college credit hours. The program objective is to introduce interested college students to career opportunities in positions located statewide and job settings in which to gain practical experience and training in natural and cultural resource fields.

The Caprock Canyons Intern will develop hiking-trail guides for designated park trails and create audio podcasts of virtual trail hikes. It is mandatory that the intern be physically fit enough to safely traverse all of the park's trails during the hot summer months. The intern must also possess good writing and computer skills.

The summer internship program employment period begins in May and ends in August. A minimally furnished bunkhouse is available for housing at Caprock Canyons State Park, if needed.

For more information contact Caprock Canyons State Park at 806-455-1492. Information about the Texas Parks and Wildlife Internship Program may be found on the internet at: http://www.tpwd.state.tx.us/business/jobs/summer_internships/index.phtml.

Stew & Cornbread For A Good Cause This Sunday

The Lions are extending an invitation to everyone in the Valley School District to come out and enjoy a simple meal for a good cause.

The Quitaque Lions Club will host a Stew & Cornbread meal after church on Sunday, March 16 at the Hope Center in Quitaque. Donations will be accepted to help fund the scholarship given to a Valley High School student.

Lunch will begin about 11:30 a.m. and continue until 1:30 p.m. or sold out. Tea or coffee and dessert will complete the menu.

**SHOP AT
HOME
FIRST**

Call Goes Out for CCC Veterans To Attend Celebration Of Federal Work Program's 75th Anniversary

BASTROP, Texas - Most of the men whose skilled hands during the 1930s and early 1940s helped build the structures that form the backbone of the Texas State Park system have passed on as the 75th anniversary of the Civilian Conservation Corps approaches. Those CCC workers who are still alive today are in their 80s and 90s.

The Texas Parks & Wildlife Department is trying to track down as many surviving CCC workers as possible to invite them to a special event on March 28-29 at Bastrop State Park. The event coincides with the 75th anniversary of the CCC's creation in 1933, when President Franklin D. Roosevelt signed the executive order to put the Depression-era's young men back to work conserving the nation's natural resources by planting forests, building parks and other means.

Former CCC workers are invited to contact Janelle Taylor (512-389-4665), so she can extend an invitation to the March 28-29 celebration. Bastrop State Park is one of only six state parks in the United States built by the CCC designated a National Historic Landmark.

"We really need to find these guys and honor them," Taylor said. "We need the public's help." This group is so humble that unless someone tells them they need to contact me, they probably won't call."

About 100 former CCC workers attended a celebration at Bastrop State Park in 2003 for the 70th anniversary. During previous CCC reunions, Taylor and others have been collecting oral histories that provide a rich archive chronicling the CCC veterans' significant achievements so that future park visitors and others can learn about these remarkable men's achievements.

Thirty Texas state parks operated by TPWD bear the distinct mark of the young CCC laborers who erected permanent structures that reflect the National Park Service's trademark "rustic style." By 1935, 27 CCC companies were working in Texas state parks, building roads, bridges, swimming pools, dams and hundreds of sturdy, handsome rock-and-timber structures, such as Indian Lodge in Fort Davis. The 101 companies of young men at 130 CCC camp locations throughout the state developed 56 parks in Texas between 1933 and 1942 before many of them headed off to World War II.

For more information about the celebration, call (512) 389-4665.

On the net: http://www.tpwd.state.tx.us/spdest/findadest/historic_sites/ccc/

Pancake Supper This Friday In Silverton

There will be a Pancake Supper, hosted by the Silverton Fire Department on Friday, March 21 beginning at 6 p.m. in the Silverton Show Barn. Proceeds from the fund raiser will go to Tri-County Meals. The cost will be \$5 per person. Come out and help support Tri-County Meals, which provides free hot meals, three times a week for homebound senior citizens in the Silverton, Quitaque, Turkey and Flomot areas.

Only Incumbents File For Place On Silverton City Council

The Silverton City Council met in regular session on Monday, March 10, 2008. Present for the meeting were Mayor Garvin, Council members Kyle Fuston, Wayne Reed, LaQuetta Schott, Delane Smith and Secretary Jerry Patton. After attending to regular monthly council business the following items were addressed.

* Secretary Patton reported that 5 p.m. March 10 was the deadline for candidate to file for inclusion on the May 10 general election ballot. The three incumbents Kyle Fuston, LaQuetta Schott and Delane Smith were the only ones to file for the three positions.

* The secretary presented information and a proposed resolution as approved by the Alliance of Xcel Municipalities recommending approval of SPS application. A motion to adopt Resolution #3A-2008 approving SPS application with an effective date of April 2, 2008 for the proposed tariff changes passed by unanimous vote.

With no further business the meeting was adjourned.



The City of Turkey recently received a grant from the Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs - HOME Program to build 6 homes in Turkey for qualified persons. Mr. & Mrs. Z.P. Polley were the recipients of one of these energy efficient homes.



C.C.C. camps such as this one at Meridian State Park made a priceless contribution to the Texas State Park System. Texas had 2,620 men at work in the parks out of 18,000 nationally.

Photo: Texas Parks & Wildlife Department



Julia Morrison & Mark Franklin

**Morrison & Franklin
Announce Engagement**

Colvin and Tish Morrison are pleased to announce the engagement of their daughter Julia Morrison to Mark Franklin.

Julia is currently attending Wayland Baptist University and teaches piano through the Academy of Fine Arts. She is the granddaughter of Carol Killingsworth and Murry Wayne and Judy Morrison of Lubbock and Mike Underwood of Spanaway, Wa. Great grandparents are Lucille Taylor of Lubbock and the late Earl Taylor and Johnnie Morrison of Amarillo and the late Murry Morrison also Beryl and Joan Underwood formally of the Rock Creek community.

Mark is the son of Larry and Chrystal Holley of Slaton and W. Clifford and Edith Franklin of Lubbock. He is the grandson of Leila LaPin of Plainview and Alfred and Peggy Franklin. He graduated from Wayland Baptist University in 2007 and is currently employed by Plainview Independent School District as an assistant band director.

The couple plan to wed on June 7, 2008 at St. Mark's Episcopal Church in Plainview.

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**Look
Who's
New**



**Destini
Kaeann
Greene**

Chris and Melissa Greene of Vernon, TX are proud to announce the birth of their daughter Destini Kaeann Greene on Monday, February 25, 2008. Destini weighed 7 lbs, 5 ozs and was 19 1/2 inches at birth.

She has two brothers, Christina and Jayden Greene. Grandparents are Bill and Irene Greene of Turkey and Alfred and Molly Castor of Wellington. Great-grandparents are Elicia Martinez of Wellington, Barbara Galvan of Turkey and Watler and Delfine Castor of Childress.

**H.E. Martin
Celebrates
75th Birthday**

H.E. Martin celebrated his 75th birthday March 7th. Wife, Juanita and daughter, Terri Castillo were with him and phone calls from Dalton Reynolds of Crested Butte, Co.; Jeremy and Nicholas Castillo of Monte Vista, Co.; Linda and Ethan Reynolds of Monte Vista, Co. and Sky Castillo from somewhere out on the road.

**Hall County
Historical
Commission**

The Hall County Historical Commission, met March 5th. Tommie Jo Cruse, President, presided. The opening prayer was given by Jim Mills. The minutes were read by secretary Mike Hughes, and they were approved. Lera Kate Powell, read the treasurer's report, then they were approved.

For old business, Lera Kate told the guests, about the veteran's crosses & veteran's bricks. Roberta Carson, was given some new veterans buried at Turkey.

For new business, Karen Crisman gave a report about getting a letter, from the Texas Historical Commission. They voted to recommend the Hall Courthouse to be listed on the National Register of Historic Places.

Tommie Jo Cruse asked the members, about sending a thank you to TxDOT for putting up the sign at Tampico. The members decided to do this.

The next meeting will be April 7th.

The president wanted to ask the members if they wanted at the next commissioners court meeting, to put up 2 of the guests, to see about getting them as new members. The members stated yes. Guests were Debbie & J.R. Helm, & Bobby Barbee.

Members present were Lera Kate Powell, Betty Farley, Karen Crisman, Tommie Jo Cruse, Mike Hughes, Jim Mills, Dixie Barbee, Roberta Carson.

**Look Who's
New**



**Brody
Wayne
Hughes**

Tara and Reagan Hughes are proud to announce the arrival of their new baby brother, Brody Wayne Hughes. Brody was born Friday, March 7, 2008 at Covenant Hospital in Plainview, TX. He was 19 1/2 inches long and weighed 8 lbs and 3 oz at birth.

He is also welcomed by his parents Roger and Tiffany Hughes of Floydada. Proud grandparents are Butch and Janice Hughes of Flomot and Gary and Pam Bennett of Floydada. Great-grandparents are Harold and Geneva Bennett of Floydada.

**Turkey
Senior
Citizens
News**

The Turkey Sr. Citizens met Tuesday evening with 13 present. Crystal from Accolade Home Care was there to do the blood pressure checks, cholesterol, and blood sugar tests. G. P. Driskill said the said the prayer before the meal. A table of Mexican train and Spinner were played after the delicious pot luck meal.

Our next meeting will be March 18th. If you are a senior and want your blood pressure, etc. checked, we encourage you to be there by 5:30 pm. Come and join us for some food! fun! and fellowship!

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FLOMOT NEWS

By Earlyne Jameson

OVERHEARD

A ONCE IN YOUR LIFETIME EASTER: Easter is early this year. Easter is always the 1st Sunday after full moon after the Spring Equinox, which is March 20. This dating of Easter is based on the lunar calendar that Hebrew people used to identify Passover, which is why it moves around on our Roman Calendar.

Based on the above information, Easter can actually be one day earlier, March 22 that is rare.

Here's the interesting information. This year is the earliest Easter any of us will ever see the rest of our lives! Only the most elderly of our population have ever seen it this early, 95 years old or above. None of us have ever or will ever see it a day earlier! Here are the facts:

The next time Easter will be this early, March 23 will be the year 2228, 220 years from now. The last time it was this early was 1913, so if you are 94 or older, you are the only ones that were around for that!

The next time Easter will be a day earlier, March 22, will be in the year 2285, 277 years from now. The last time it was on March 22 was 1818.

No one alive today has or will ever see it any earlier than this year!

Mrs. Brenda Cruse accompanied her mother, Mrs. Marihelen Wason of Matador to the Mangold Hospital in Lockney, Sunday, March 2. She was hospitalized with treatment for pneumonia and returned home Thursday, March 6. With her during hospitalization beside Brenda were daughter and husband, Charla and Bennie Marracle of Snyder and son, Mark Wason of Lubbock.

Visiting Friday night and Saturday with Kathy and Clois Shorter were daughter and family, Mrs. Christi Milam, Emily and Haley of Petersburg and grandson, Brian Sehon of Ropesville.

Mrs. Nola Long of Winnewood, Oklahoma accompanied her brother, Johnie Starkey to Big Spring Tuesday where he had cataract eye surgery at Veterans' Hospital. They returned to Flomot Friday. Visiting them Sunday was Sister, Mrs. Margie Cypert of Lockney and son, James Cypert of Clyde. Mrs. Long returned to her home, Tuesday.

Cally and will Sperry, Savannah, Blayne, Gage and Cash were in Memphis during the weekend and enjoyed the Little Dribblers basketball tournament. Savannah's and Blayne's teams won second place in the tournament and they returned home with their silver medals.

Mrs. Aleda Ross visited from Friday until Sunday in Lubbock with her daughter, Mrs. Elisa Wigley. Aleda had an audiometer medical appointment. She was pleased with the help for her hearing. They attended the Lubbock Green Lawn church of Christ services Sunday morning.

Wilburn Martin is on the sick list and received medical treatment in Lockney.

Alvia Joe Calvert of Dumas visited Sunday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Doyle Calvert and brother, Glen Calvert.

Megan Shorter of Fort Worth, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Louis Shorter, visited Sunday with her grandfather, L.E. Shorter and uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Clois Shorter. She attended the Flomot Baptist Church services with them Sunday morning.

Facts are stubborn things; and whatever may be our wishes, our inclinations, or the dictates of our passions, they cannot alter the state of facts and evidence.

~ John Adams

The first duty of love is to listen.

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COOK'S CORNER

BY LAURA TAYLOR

With St Patrick's Day right around the corner, I thought you might like a little luck of the Irish for Sunday dinner.

Irish Loins of Pork with Lemon and Herbs

6 lb Boneless pork loin
 1/4 c Minced onion
 1 tbs Basil
 3/4 c Olive oil
 1/2 c Chopped parsley
 1/4 c Finely grated lemon peel

3 each Garlic cloves crushed

Pat pork dry. Score well with sharp knife. Combine parsley, onion, peel, basil, and garlic in a small bowl. Whisk in 2/3 of oil. Rub into pork. Wrap in foil and refrigerate overnight. Let pork stand at room temperature 1 hour before roasting. Preheat oven to 350 degrees F. Brush pork with remaining olive oil. Set on rack in shallow pan. Roast until meat thermometer inserted in thickest part of meat registers 170 degrees F, about 2 1/2 hours. Set meat aside. Degrease pan juices. Cover and cook over low heat 2 minutes. Pour into sauceboat. Garnish with fresh parsley and lemon slices. Serve sauce separately.

Bubble and Squeak

5 medium Potatoes; boil, peel and diced
 1/2 pound Bacon - 1" pcs
 1 Head cabbage - cut 1/4" slice

1/2 c Water
 Salt to taste
 Extra water
 In large iron skillet brown bacon. remove bacon. Pour off all grease except 2-3 tb. Add cabbage and 1/2 c water. Cover and cook over low heat about 20 minutes.

Add potatoes to cabbage along with the bacon. Salt to taste. Cook another 10 minutes. Extra water may be added while cabbage is cooking, but during last few minutes let mixture brown.

Irish Soda Bread

4 c All-purpose flour
 1/4 c Granulated sugar
 1 tsp Salt - or less
 2 tbs Caraway seeds
 1/4 c Butter
 1 tsp Baking powder
 1/4 c Raisins
 1 1/3 c Buttermilk OR Sour milk

1 Egg - unbeaten
 1 tsp Baking soda
 1 Egg yolk
 Make in 2 qt. round casserole (or 1 1/2 qt.) Preheat oven to 375. Grease casserole. Sift flour, sugar, salt, and baking powder into mixing bowl; stir in caraway seed. With fingers, cut in butter until coarse like corn meal. Stir in raisins. Combine buttermilk, egg, baking soda and stir into flour mixture, until just moistened. Turn dough onto slightly floured surface; knead lightly until smooth, shape into ball. Place in casserole. With sharp knife make a 4 inch cross 1/4 inch deep in center. Brush with egg yolk beaten with fork. Bake 1 hour 10 minutes or until done.

Bailey's Chocolate Mousse Pie

6 ounces Ready Crust (graham/choc)
 1 package Unflavored gelatine (env)
 1 tsp Vanilla
 3/4 c Milk
 3/4 c Bailey's Irish Cream
 6 ounces Semisweet choc chips
 2 c Frozen whipped topping
 Choc-dipped strawberries as garnish, if desired.

In saucepan, sprinkle unflavored gelatine over milk. Let stand about 1 minute. Stir over low heat until gelatine is dissolved, about 5 minutes. Add chocolate and continue cooking, stirring constantly until chocolate is melted; stir in vanilla. Remove from heat and stir occasionally, adding Bailey's about five minutes after removal from heat. When mixture forms mounds when dropped from spoon, fold in whipped topping. Turn into crust. Garnish with more whipped topping and strawberries (if desired). Chill at least 4 hours before serving.

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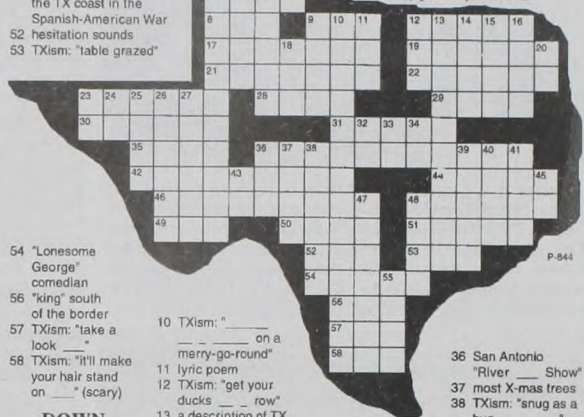
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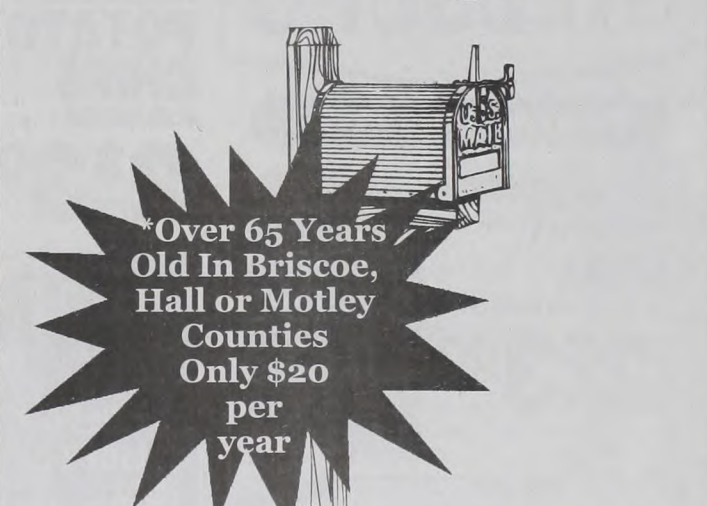
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- 1st female gov. ... " Ferguson
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Laughter is wine for the soul - laughter soft, or loud and deep, tinged through with seriousness...the hilarious declaration made by man that life is worth living.
 ~ Sean O'Casey

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8th Grade
All A's: Caitlyn Brown, Courtney Galvan, Kristen Jenkins, Madison Meyer, Alyssa Pointer, Jessie Price
A's & B's: Mary Elizabeth Bowman, Danielle Gwinn, Pablo Martinez, Chambray Smith, Kammi Warr
Freshmen
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A's & B's: Grant Wheeler

Sophomores
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A's & B's: Ilsa Ortiz, Isaac Smith, Alejandro Valdez
Juniors
All A's: Dalton Allen, Chancy Campbell, Mitchell Farley, Callie Helms, Jordan Jenkins, Cade Luckett, Laura Martinez, Brady Ramsey, Justin Todd, Yessenia Valdes, Townlii Ziegler
A's & B's: Dulce Chavez, Leslie Payne, Alexandra Skinner, Ana Karen Valdez

Seniors
All A's: Cole Brown, Mary Kate Davidson, Jasmin Ivory, Justin Rucker, Savannah Smith, Ana Iris Valdes
A's & B's: Roger Ramos, Bryce Reagan



Valley 3-4 Grade Girls Little Dribblers placed 2nd in the Memphis Tournament last weekend. Back: Coach Phillip Hancock, Ryleigh Carson, Rachel Hancock, Lisette Mendoza, Kylie Brown, Sydnee Meyer, Jessie Browning, Coach Dusty Hill. front: Savannah Young, Kennadee Buchanan, Emily Barrett, Jolee Hill.



Valley 5th & 6th Boys Little Dribblers placed 2nd in the Memphis Tournament last weekend. Back: Coach Lisa Campbell, Ketch Smith, Barrett Bland, Tyler Campbell, Nick Farino, Blayne Young, Coach John Bland. Front: Cody Selby, Brandon Pointer, Colton Bowman, Walker Carson. Not Pictured: JD Schnitker.



THE PATRIOT

Valley School News

LADY RAIDER SUMMER BASKETBALL CAMPS ANNOUNCED

LUBBOCK, Texas - The 2008 Kristy Curry Lady Raider basketball summer camps will begin in June. Curry and her staff will hold six camps for all ages and abilities.

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- Team Camp - June 13-15 (Grades: Junior Varsity & Varsity Teams)
- Day Camp - June 18-20 (Grades: K-2 (9am-noon) & 3-6 (9am-4pm))
- Amarillo Day Camp - June 23-25 (Grades K-2 (9am-noon) & Grades 3-12 (9am-4pm))

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Valley FCCLA's Monica Mendoza and Mariela Mendoza won 2nd in Interpersonal Communication and will go to state in Galveston the first week of April.

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ON THE QT

By Patsy Herrington

The community of Quitaque has existed since early 1900's, but was officially incorporated in 1927. The trains brought travelling salesmen and many people to the area. I remember riding with my mother on the "Doodlebug" passenger train to Plainview to see my aunt who worked in a Men's Shop there when I was a small child. We went through the 742 foot-long Clarity tunnel, and also a smaller tunnel on the trip. Sometimes we ate in the dining car. Oh, it was such fun! Now we have the Rails to Trails over the same R.R. Land, which is bringing many tourists to the area.

Myra Brown is scheduled to have surgery soon, a new medical process which is hoped to bring progress to her Parkinson's. It has been a tremendous success to many cases!

The Church of Christ has had Tim Atcherson preaching for them. He is married to Delos Johnson's niece, Iris.

Sammie and Delos Johnson met their brother-in-law and wife, Tim Vaughn and Nova at Tulia Saturday for lunch. They love at Amarillo.

Clyde Dudley recently has a catscan and MRI, and his report was more promising than first thought. He fools much better about it.

Jimmy Martinez brought a man, Gary Cole, by here Saturday who crushes old cars and pays the owner \$75-\$100 for each one. He says that a title is not needed, because he just crushes them. He has over \$695,000 of equipment. He claims to have cleaned up the towns of Roaring Springs, Turkey, Matador, Paducah, Crowell, and others. It surely would be nice to have our town rid of them, too! He is from Crowell, and his phone numbers are cell: 479-243-7237 and home: 940-684-1969. I hope to have more about this next week.

The Methodists are glad to have their preacher, Rev. John Dorn, back from a two weeks' rest and vacation. He is a wonderful speaker, and well liked by everyone. He drives over here each week from Shamrock.

Janelle and Joe Ed Smith's beloved dog got bit by a rattlesnake and died not long ago. They have been so sad, but recently got a new, cute, black and white, Shitsu puppy, Kojo, which is the joy of their life.

Jill Johnson recently returned from Albuquerque, New Mexico, where she has been visiting her friend, Regina for a week. She had a great time and plans to return for the huge Hot Air Balloon Festival held each year there.

John David and Tonya Harmon and baby boy, Brannon of Lubbock visited with John David's parents, Elaine and Rex Harmon, Saturday, and also sister Dee Dee, nieces, Courtney and Jerrica Galvan. Brannon is two months old now, and looks just like his daddy.

Joyce Price, who works at Caprock Canyon State Park, reported that there have been people visiting there from Minnesota and also New York. They all liked it so well that they scheduled more days to stay. They thought it was simply beautiful here!

It's good to see Debbie Cagle up and around after being out of her shop last week with the flu.

There's never a dull moment weather wise if you live in the Texas Panhandle. Last Thursday we had an almost blizzard snow storm for awhile. The it went from high winds to sleet, to mist, to light rains and last ended up being the most perfect, serene, sunny day. It was still, no wind at all, almost 55° and beautiful. Yes, that's the Texas Panhandle for you!

2007 TOP TEN TEXAS STOLEN VEHICLES

Pickups are not only popular among Texas drivers, they are also top targets for Texas vehicle thieves! The Texas Department of Public Safety (DPS) has released its final MVT19 report on the top vehicles reported stolen in Texas during 2007. The MVT19 report is compiled monthly by DPS and represents vehicle theft data entered into the Texas Crime Information Center (TCIC) by all Texas law enforcement agencies. An error margin of + or - 5% is assumed for incorrect entries by agencies. Based on the reports, as has been the case for many years, pickup trucks top the list of thieves' most common targets for the year. Coming in at No. 1 was the Ford Pickup followed closely by the Chevrolet Pickup at No. 2. In the No. 3 position, the Dodge Pickup also remains a popular target for Texas thieves. The Honda Accord and the Honda Civic round out the top five stolen vehicles. Please note that if motorcycle theft totals were included, the Honda and Yamaha motorcycles would rank No. 9 and No. 10 respectively in the overall list.

The complete top ten list of most stolen passenger vehicles includes: 1.- Ford Pickup 2.- Chevrolet Pickup 3.- Dodge Pickup 4.- Honda Accord 5.- Honda Civic 6.- Chevrolet Tahoe 7.- GMC Pickup 8.- Ford Taurus 9.- Toyota Camry 10.- Ford Mustang.

Vehicles are stolen for a variety of reasons, and contrary to popular belief, the most stolen vehicles are several years old. Some are stolen and stripped for parts. Others are stolen and resold by thieves to unsuspecting buyers. Many vehicles are stolen for joyriding, for use in committing other crimes, to perpetrate insurance fraud, or for other illegitimate purposes. And vehicle theft costs Texans more money than any other crime - over \$900 million in 2006.

Texas Auto Burglary and Theft Prevention Authority (ABTPA) personnel strongly encourage Texas drivers to practice vehicle crimes prevention. According to ABTPA Director Susan Sampson, "Auto thieves are looking for 'the easy take.' So it is more important than ever that drivers practice common sense and utilize practical prevention methods such as locking doors, taking keys, and hiding all items that may be desirable to a thief."

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How often we fail to realize our good fortune in living in a country where happiness is more than a lack of tragedy.

- Paul Sweeney

Things That Make You Go Hmmm... By Laura Taylor

25 Ways To Tell You're all Grown Up

- * Your house plants are alive, and you can't smoke any of them.
- * Having sex in a twin bed is out of the question.
- * You keep more food than beer in the fridge.
- * 6:00 a.m. is when you get up, not when you go to bed.
- * You hear your favorite song in an elevator.
- * You watch the weather channel.
- * Your friends marry and divorce instead of "Hook Up" and "Break Up".
- * You go from 130 day of vacation time to 14.
- * Jeans and a sweater no longer qualify as "Dressed Up".
- * You're the one calling the police because those %&@# kids next door won't turn down the stereo.
- * Older relatives feel comfortable telling sex jokes around you.
- * You don't know what time Taco Bell closes anymore.
- * Your car insurance goes down and your car payments go up.
- * You feed your dog Science Diet instead of McDonald's leftovers.
- * Sleeping on the couch makes your back hurt.
- * You take naps
- * Dinner and a movie is the whole date instead of the beginning of one.
- * Eating a basket of chicken wings at 3 a.m. would severely upset, rather than settle, your stomach.
- * You go to the drug store for ibuprofen and antacid, not condoms and pregnancy tests.
- * A \$4 bottle of wine is no longer "Pretty Good Stuff!".
- * You actually eat breakfast food at breakfast time.
- * "I just can't drink the way I used to" replaces "I'm never going to drink that much again."
- * 90% of the time you spend in front of a computer is for real work.
- * You drink at home to save money before going to a bar.
- * When you find out your friend is pregnant you congratulate them instead of asking "Oh crap, what the hell happened?"

HHHMMM.....

I distrust those people who know so well what God wants them to do, because I notice it always coincides with their own desires.

- Susan B. Anthony

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Green Onions.....2 for \$1 ⁰⁰	Ibuprofen Drops.....0.5 oz.....\$3 ⁹⁹
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FSA Announces Deadlines For Certification of Small Grains and Price Support Loans and LDPS

The deadline to submit small grain (wheat, oats, barley, triticale, etc.) acreage reports in Hall County is May 15th. If you haven't already done so, please come in and take care of this now. This deadline includes all planted acreage of applicable crops whether carried to harvest for grain, grazed out, baled or plowed under. Failed acreage must also be reported as failed. If the failed acreage is insured, you must submit a copy of the appraisal worksheet from your adjustor/agent when you fail those acres in our office. March 15th is the deadline for grazing of wheat that is intended to be carried to harvest for grain. Spring seeded crops such as cotton, grain sorghum, hay, peanuts and fruits and vegetables must be reported by July 15th. Total farm acreage reports are a requirement for maintaining eligibility in the Direct and Counter-cyclical Program, and Price Support programs.

The last day to apply for a Cotton Loan or LDP for the 2007 crop year is May 31, 2008. All eligible producers wishing to apply for a cotton loan or LDP should come into the office and apply before May 31, 2008.

Perennial Peanut for Quality Pastures and Hay

After more than a half century of research, the rhizoma perennial peanut is now considered by many growers to be the best perennial warm-weather legume for southeastern states—the "alfalfa of the South."

Developed cooperatively by the Agricultural Research Service (ARS) and other state and federal agencies, the perennial peanut, *Arachis glabrata*, is well adapted to the lower South, where its nutritional quality, persistence and broad use are making it a staple pasturage and hay crop at a fraction of alfalfa's cost. Today, rhizoma perennial peanut has become the premium forage for the Gulf Coast.

State and federal cooperators involved in developing *A. glabrata* included the ARS Subtropical Agricultural Research Station (STARS), Brooksville, Fla.; the Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) Brooksville Plant Materials Center; and the University of Florida Institute of Food and Agricultural Sciences. The collaboration got under way when a collection of *A. glabrata* accessions from South America was introduced to Florida in the 1930s.

A major breakthrough in perennial peanut research came in the 1980s with the release of Florigrade and Arbrook, which produced much more forage than earlier releases. STARS research leader Sam Coleman and colleagues in Brooksville in the 1980s and 1990s—with former STARS forage agronomist Mimi Williams, now with NRCS in Gainesville, Fla.—demonstrated the nutritional value of *A. glabrata* to livestock and are widely responsible for its high demand as a hay crop.

Today, perennial peanut's net profit exceeds \$500 per acre annually, with demand for hay exceeding production. Current annual sales—predominantly as hay, but also as planting material and ornamentals—exceed \$7 million.

ARS is the U.S. Department of Agriculture's chief scientific research agency.

High Commodity Prices Boost U.S. Ag Exports Forecast To Record \$101 Billion

U.S. agricultural exports are projected to surpass \$101 billion in 2008, with more than two-thirds of the total value attributed to high commodity prices, according to a Texas AgriLife Extension Service economist.

The projected amount is a significant increase over 2007 when U.S. exports came in at a record \$82 billion, said Dr. Parr Rosson.

"That's a very substantial increase, almost about 25 percent," he said. "About one-third of that predicted amount for 2008 is also coming from (higher) tonnage to go along with the high commodity prices."

Corn tonnage is predicted to be up 8 million tons due to increasing ethanol demand, while wheat is projected to increase 2.3 million tons and rice more than half a million tons, he said. "Corn accounts for 72 percent of that increased tonnage," Rosson said.

Canada and Mexico are the top export markets for U.S. agricultural products, Rosson said, followed by Japan and the European Union.

"What I think is significant is the stronger growth out of the Asian markets," he said. "The last several years, there has been growth in exports to China, and that growth is expected to continue at double-digit levels for this current year, then projected to level off at about 8 percent a year over the next three years."

The substantial increase in U.S. agricultural exports won't be all profit for farmers, Rosson said. Rising fuel, fertilizer and other input costs will lower profit potential.

"But it certainly helps to have these projections (record exports) during times of high input costs," he said. "What we hope to see is some leveling off of high fuel costs once we get through the winter period and see natural gas prices level off, to mitigate the rise in fertilizer costs. Even so, natural gas prices are forecast to increase about 3 percent in 2009."

"With regards to fuel, we will have to get through this spring and even then, we won't see a huge reduction. We'll likely see a 5 percent to 7 percent decline moving into the summer and fall period."

Diesel prices are forecast to fall 4 percent in 2009.

Another positive is the depreciation and value of the dollar, Rosson said, which is the lowest since 1973. The cost of products to foreign consumers is not as high as it would be, he said.

"As long as the U.S. dollar remains at a relatively low value, we'll see exports strong because that low-valued dollar will offset rising commodity prices," Rosson said. "Particularly if we have a short crop in the Midwest, that will put upward pressure on corn and soybean prices. If the dollar continues to stay where it is or declines further, it will mitigate the effects of higher prices."

Asia's demand for U.S. agricultural exports has been a positive for the economy, Rosson said. Japan was the top market until a few years ago when Canada and Mexico surpassed it.

"Japan is still the No. 3 market and still a very good market for commodity exports," he said. "We hope the beef exports will continue to recover, but they are not nearly back to the levels of the BSE (mad cow disease) outbreak in 2003. We hope to begin to see that recovery in the near term."

China has emerged as an important market for cotton, Rosson noted.

"We're very dependent on the Chinese for the cotton market," he said. "The volume of cotton that moves out of that part of the world as well as the price support for increased demand for our products have been strong factors."

Japan, China and South Korea also provide capital for the U.S. market, Rosson said.

"If we look at who purchases government securities, stocks and bonds, those three countries play a significant role along with some European countries," Rosson said. "As a result, we have a symbiotic relationship with Asia in terms of markets for our products, and they supply capital to the U.S. market that keeps our interest rates low, much lower than they otherwise would be."

"That's important because it provides capital for farmers during times of expansion and other expenditures. So, that relationship is vitally important to our capital-intensive agricultural economy."



By Shawn Wade

Farm Bill Progress Is Being Made; Bill Unlikely To Be Completed Before March 15

Opinions on where the farm bill negotiation process is heading vary almost as widely as the range of interests that are keenly interested in seeing the farm bill completed.

According to Plains Cotton Growers Executive Vice President Steve Verett, the feeling that comes across when discussing the bill's status with people familiar with the negotiations is still overwhelmingly positive, albeit restrained.

He notes that the recent lull in new information about the bill is more a result of the methodical approach that is being taken to nailing down the budgetary aspects of the bill than it is a sign that the bill is in danger of stalling altogether.

Reinforcing this viewpoint is a new report that Senate Finance Committee members, who are also members of the Senate Agriculture Committee, have pulled together a package of budget cuts and revenue enhancers totaling some \$12 billion that will be sent to the House and the Bush administration for their consideration.

Verett notes that Congressional leaders and staff in the House and Senate have actually been very busy laying the groundwork for the final stages of the process to proceed.

With only one week left until the current farm bill funding extension expires March 15, it appears likely that a short-term funding extension will be considered to allow additional time for to complete the farm bill conference, secure final approval in the House and Senate and then send the bill to the President.

House Agriculture Committee Chairman Collin Peterson has noted that despite the significant level of behind the scenes work that continues to get done and the progress that is being made on the funding issues, it appears unlikely that a final bill can be completed before the March 15 deadline.

According to Peterson an extension, if approved, would only provide an additional 30 days of funding authority to get things wrapped up.

Reinforcing the importance of maintaining a viable safety net that can work for all of U.S. agriculture and ultimately supporting the final legislation once all the details are agreed upon was Verett's primary purpose for traveling to Washington.

While there Verett participated in meetings and visited the offices of each member of the Texas Congressional delegation as well as meeting with staff representatives from both the House and Senate Agriculture Committees.

During his meetings Verett said his message to legislators was simple — continue to support the effort to nail down revenue options and complete the bill, and to encourage them to support the bill when voting for final passage of the conference report.

Verett noted that he has been gratified by the support that virtually every member of the Texas delegation displayed for the underlying bill and the additional investments that it would make in key program areas.

Just as important to the final disposition of the legislation according to Verett was the equally strong support members of the Texas delegation showed for the identification and use of revenue enhancers to provide the \$10 billion in additional funding that will increase support levels for nutrition, specialty crop and conservation programs.

2007 Systems Agronomic and Economic Evaluation Program Report Now Available

Texas AgriLife Extension Service Cotton Specialist Dr. Randy Boman has completed his 2007 report detailing the results of the highly popular "Systems Agronomic and Economic Evaluation of Cotton Varieties in the Texas High Plains."

A complete portable document format (PDF) version of the report can be downloaded from the Lubbock Texas AgriLife Extension website at: <http://lubbock.tamu.edu/cotton/pdf/2007pcipreport.pdf>

This year's report features final agronomic and economic analysis for selected cotton varieties planted in the program's three large-scale variety trials conducted by Dr. Boman and supported through the Plains Cotton Growers, Inc. Plains Cotton Improvement Program (PCIP).

In addition to the agronomic and economic analysis comparing cotton seed varieties planted at the three "Systems" test locations in 2007, information from a variety of High Plains variety trials conducted in both irrigated and dryland conditions are included in the 2007 report.

"The 'Systems Agronomic and Economic Evaluation' program report is a document cotton growers on the High Plains have come to rely on when they sit down to make planting decisions," says PCIP Chairman Dale Swinburn of Tulia. "Combined with the PCG Seed Cost Calculator this report is a valuable resource for growers trying to weigh the many choices that are available in the marketplace today."

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The Valley Tribune is authorized to make the following announcements of candidates for off ice subject to the March 2008 primaries and the November, 2008 general elections.

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Public Notice

Notice of Drinking Water, Nitrate Violation

The Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) has notified the City of Turkey Water System that the drinking water being supplied to customers has exceeded the Maximum Contaminant Level (MCL) for NITRATE. The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency has established the MCL for NITRATE at 10 mg/L, and has determined that it is a health concern at levels above the MCL. Analysis of drinking water in the Turkey community for NITRATE indicated a level of 17.6 mg/L.

Infants below the age of 6 months who drink water containing nitrate in excess of the MCL could become seriously ill and if untreated, could die. Symptoms include shortness of breath and blue baby syndrome. If your child is under the age of six months, the child must be given an alternative water supply for any consumption. Boiling the affected water is not an effective treatment for nitrate removal.

Most consumers do not need to use an alternative water supply. However, if you have health concerns, you may want to talk to your doctor to get more information about how this may affect you. At this time, the health effects to fetuses of pregnant women is unclear. If you are pregnant, you may also choose to use an alternative source of water for drinking and cooking purposes.

Bottled water is available at City Hall located at 602 Lyles Street at no cost to pregnant women, nursing mothers, and infants up to 6 months of age.

We are working to correct the problem by checking different water sources.

Please share this information with all other people who drink this water, especially those who may not have received this notice.

For further information contact Gail Hanna or Jerry Landry, P.O. Box 415, Turkey, TX 79261 or call (806) 423-1033.

Public Water System ID# 0960003.



This Week In Texas History!

Mar 17, 1938
The first St. Patrick's Day Celebration was held in Shamrock.

Mar 17, 1864
Col. John S. "Rip" Ford and his Cavalry of the West left San Antonio on a mission to protect South Texas from Union troops.

Mar 17, 1836
Gen. Sam Houston's army reached the Colorado River near present-day La Grange. Because of high water they were unable to cross the river.

Mar 18, 1959
Native Texan President Dwight D. Eisenhower sign legislation making Hawaii the 49th state.

Mar 18, 1949
Horse racing great Willie Shoemaker made his first ride.

Mar 18, 1878
A.H. Belo had a private telephone line installed between his home and office of the Galveston News. It was the first telephone connection in Texas.

Mar 19, 1840
Led by 12 chiefs, 65 Comanche Indians rode into San Antonio and brought two Anglo prisoners with them, not the 200 they had promised. An attempt to negotiate with the Indians in the Council House failed and resulted in 35 Indians and six Texans dying in a shootout. Ten of the Indians were wounded and thirty were captured.

Mar 19, 1836
Col. James Fannin decided to retreat to Victoria from Goliad. Nine miles from Goliad he and his 300 men were surrounded and attacked by over 1,000 Mexican soldiers under the command of Gen. Jose Urrea. This was the Battle of Coleta Creek.

Mar 20, 1961
The first T-38 trainer jet was delivered to the U.S. Air Force at Randolph Air Force Base in San Antonio.

Mar 20, 1836
Outnumbered, Col. James Fannin surrendered and the Battle of Coleta Creek was over. Most of the Texans were taken prisoner and marched to Goliad where they were locked up in a church.

Mar 20, 1687
The French explorer La Salle was shot and killed by members of his own exploration party in East Texas.

Mar 20, 1721
The Marquis of Aguayo and his men crossed the Rio Grande River. he established East Texas missions and a new presidio at Los Adas.

Mar 21, 1986
The world's largest mobile home rolled off the production line at Childress' Lancer Homes. It was 32 feet wide and 86 feet long.

Mar 21, 1943
Sunday passenger train service between Childress, Plainview and Lubbock began on the Fort Worth and Denver Railroad.

Mar 21, 1886
A gunfight erupted at Old Tascosa. When it was over, four persons were dead and two were wounded.

Mar 22, 1864
The Battle of Corpus Christi began between Union and Confederate soldiers.

Mar 22, 1836
Mexican Gen. Jose Urrea's soldiers continued to find and capture Texas volunteers who escaped capture at the one-sided Battle of Coleta Creek.

Mar 23, 1859
Camp Stockton was established to protect mail routes between San Antonio and El Paso.

Thank You

We would like to thank everyone that helped us in our need Saturday night. You are truly a bunch of good guys and we are blessed to have a wonderful EMS team and thank you to Tom, and Craig also.

The Harlon Martin family

Thank you for your prayers, flowers, cards, food, phone calls and memorials. Each one helped with the loss of our loved one. You are always there for us. God bless all of you.

The Family of Clarence Lewis
Billy & Suzie Shannon
Billy Neal & Lacy Shannon & Family
Peggy & Stan Price & Family

Dear Friends,
Thank you so much for your visits, phone calls, prayers, food, memorial gifts and flowers that you have bestowed on us during our time of loss. We are humbled knowing that so many people from our community of friends have showered us with such a great number of various condolences. Thank you for the many kindnesses that you have given to our family at this time. You have truly blessed us in our time of loss.

The family of Coleen Taylor

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Letters To The Editor



03/07/08
Laura,

I try very hard to accommodate the Valley Tribune with all information requested from my office. As I said in the email that I sent yesterday. I have a very big workload when getting ready for an election and other aspects of my job sometimes get put on the back burner. You are welcome any-time to attend Commissioner's Court and take your own minutes or you may even look at the hand written notes that I make during the meeting and comprise your own minutes.

I did email you the minutes even though they were not in time to publish in this weeks edition. Since you felt compelled to inform the public that you were unable to obtain the minutes, I feel that I should have equal justification published as to why the February minutes were not obtainable.

As I've done in the past, I will continue to provide the Valley Tribune with the Commissioner's Court minutes as they are available, but please take into consideration that my job covers very many avenues and Commissioner's Court minutes is but one of them.

Sincerely,
Bena Hester

Valley Tribune,
Please renew my subscription for the year. We do enjoy the paper so much. Helps to keep up with folks we don't get to see very often. Keep up the good work.

Sincerely,
Ruth Clark & Weldon Puser

New Online Tool Celebrates Loved Ones Lost To Cancer

Commemorate a loved one, celebrate life, and share hope. The American Cancer Society has launched a new resource online.

Mosaic Of HopeSM is the American Cancer Society's innovative, online resource that enables individuals and families to create personal memorials to honor their loved ones lost to cancer. Or it serves as an inspiring tribute to your loved one winning the fight against cancer. By visiting www.cancer.org/mosaic, you can celebrate the memory of your loved one by sharing photographs, family stories, messages, and remembrances with others—across the country or around the world. You can also encourage family and friends to further the fight against cancer by making a memorial donation.

The American Cancer Society recognizes and understands that coping with the loss of a loved one takes time. The grieving process, the search for answers, and the need to remember are shared by family, friends, coworkers, and neighbors.

Each newly created mosaic joins other individual mosaics to form a larger mosaic of hope in support of a future where cancer is no longer a threatening disease. "It also enables friends and family to find comfort and a new sense of purpose by joining the fight against cancer and supporting the Society's mission to eliminate the disease," says Debbie Coppola, director of mass-market income initiatives for the American Cancer Society, High Plains Division.

Visit www.cancer.org/mosaic today to commemorate your loved one, celebrate life, and share hope—one mosaic at a time.

The American Cancer Society is dedicated to eliminating cancer as a major health problem by saving lives, diminishing suffering and preventing cancer through research, education, advocacy and service. For more information anytime, call toll free 1-800-ACS-2345 or visit www.cancer.org.

I would feel more optimistic about a bright future for man if he spent less time proving that he can outwit Nature and more time tasting her sweetness and respecting her seniority.

~ E.B. White

EXPERIENCE WORKS SEARCHES FOR TEXAS'S 2008 OUTSTANDING OLDER WORKER

Experience Works, the nation's largest training and employment organization for mature workers, is searching for Texas's outstanding older worker. Experience Works Prime Time Awards program is part of Experience Works' national effort to raise awareness of the contributions made by older individuals and to break down barriers associated with the hiring of all older workers. Outstanding older workers from every state, the District of Columbia, and Puerto Rico will be honored in Washington, D.C., and in their home states for their contributions to the workforce and local communities.

Nominees or applicants must be 65 years of age or older, a resident of Texas, currently employed, and working at least 20 hours each week for pay. The honoree must be willing and able to travel to Washington, D.C., the week of September 22-26 for the Prime Time Award events. The visit will include meetings with congressional representatives, a tour of the city's landmarks, and the awards banquet and ceremony. Honorees have an opportunity to meet, share their stories, and celebrate their accomplishments. Family, friends or colleagues can send in a nomination, or older workers can self nominate.

The search for America's Oldest Worker for 2008 is also under way, as is the search for outstanding employers of older workers. Last year, 101-year-old Ray Jenkins, maintenance coordinator from Colchester, Vermont, was named America's Oldest Worker. An online nomination form or a printed nomination form can be accessed at www.experienceworks.org. The deadline for nominations is June 1.

Experience Works is a national, nonprofit organization that provides training and employment services for mature workers. Established in 1965, Experience Works reaches more than 125,000 mature individuals in all 50 states and Puerto Rico each year. This year's search is being sponsored by Home Instead Senior Care, an outstanding employer of older workers in 2006. Home Instead Senior Care is the world's largest provider of comprehensive companionship and home care services for seniors. For more information about Home Instead's services visit www.homeinstead.com.

In the midst of this chopping sea of civilized life, such are the clouds and storms and quicksands and thousand-and-one items to be allowed for, that a man has to live, if he would not founder and go to the bottom and not make his port at all, by dead reckoning, and he must be a great calculator indeed who succeeds. Simplify, simplify.

~ Henry David Thoreau

Dear Citizens of Hall County
Thank you for having faith in my abilities to take on the job of Hall County Sheriff and voting for me in the primary election.

I am honored by the support and encouragement I have received from the good people of Hall County throughout the campaign and election on March 4th. I am also extremely grateful to my family and friends for their tireless help and support.

Earning and keeping the respect of the citizens is important to me as we work together to make our community an even better place to live.

I look forward to serving Hall County as your Sheriff and I am asking for your continued support in the general election in November 2008.

Thank you again.
Tim Wiginton

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A NOTE FROM EARNIE NEEL TO THE PEOPLE OF HALL COUNTY

Well, the primary is over, and you have selected your candidate for Hall County Sheriff. I congratulate Tim Wiginton on his victory, and wish him the best for the future. He will inherit an excellent staff in the Sheriff Department.

Both Debbie and I want to thank each of you who worked toward my campaign. We also wish to express our deep gratitude for those of you who voted for me, or indicated your support. You have made me feel like a winner, no matter the vote count!

You can rest assured that I will continue to do the Sheriff's job to the best of my ability until it's time for me to leave. The election loss does not reduce my commitment to providing the very best law enforcement possible. And my door will still be open if you wish to reach me.

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