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## PAWA TRADE DAYS THIS SATURDAY IN QUITAUQUE

The first PAWA Trade Days will take place at the old Paymaster Gin yard in Quitaque this Friday, Saturday and Sunday, October 26, 27 and 28. The gin is located on FM 1065 on the south edge of town.

Vendors will set up their wares under the covered module shed on the gin grounds. Various vendors will be setting up Friday afternoon,

Saturday morning at 10:00 a.m. and again Sunday morning at 10:00 a.m. Vendors who have reserved spaces will be selling a wide variety of merchandise. Food, cookbooks, caps, jewelry, knives, guns, kitchen items, wooden coolers, Christmas decorations, and furniture are just a few items that are expected to be for sale. Other vendors will be on the grounds with farm equipment, goats, and tack.

Entertainment is planned in addition to the great items for sale or trade. Pecos Valley Bluegrass and Triple L Bluegrass will perform during the day Saturday. Other bands and family oriented acts are invited to sign up to perform during the day. You are welcome to bring a lawn chair and just enjoy the music.

Everyone is invited to come browse the merchandise, eat, and enjoy the entertainment. Vendors are invited to join the excitement by reserving a booth and coming for one or more days during the weekend. There will not be a fee this year to participate in this event for either the shoppers or vendors. For more information contact Seab Washington at 806-469-5278 or 269-1578 or e-mail flomot@caprock-spur.com.



## Crosses To Be Placed On Hall County Veterans Graves By Historical Commission

The Hall County Historical Commission is planning to put crosses on the graves of all veterans in the Turkey and Lakeview cemeteries. This has already been done in the Memphis cemetery and others. The crosses will be metal with holders for flags. Those who died while on active duty will have gold crosses and others will be white. Kevin Kelly and the agriculture students at Valley High School will help with the construction of the crosses.

Each cross will cost about \$5 and there are approximately 200 veterans in the two cemeteries. Anyone who wishes to help with this project should contact Tommie Jo Cruse, 150 County Road, Flomot, TX 79234 or call 806 348 7221. Photo by Sarah Cook

## More New Musical Acts On Tap For The Turkey Jamboree Saturday, November 3

By RJ Kalafus

Make no plans for Saturday, November 3, as the November Jamboree will be held at the Gem Theatre in beautiful downtown Turkey, Texas. This show promises to be another night of first class talent.

Those who will be competing for the \$100 cash prize will be:

The Shannons from Northfield, will be the first performers and if you like traditional country and great fiddling this will be for you. Next up will be Linda Gooch of Childress, who has performed at the Gem before and has pleased the crowd with her fine voice and delivery. The last to compete will be a new group from Plainview, who call themselves "Surrendered" They are making their first appearance at the Jamboree and they do both modern and traditional country.

Following the competition the Turkey Gems will take the stage and for the people who have never heard them they are in for a country sound by the best band in West Texas. They are the finest 8 musicians and vocalists, not making a living out of music. The show will move along with the help and humor of Dewayne and Melody Pettiet, our masters of ceremonies.

This month's meal will benefit the good works of the Turkey Lions Club and will be a hamburger dinner with fixins with dessert and drink for \$5 a plate. The meal will begin at 6 p.m. and the show at 7 p.m. There will be a \$25 door prize donated by the Caprock Telephone Co-op. There will be prizes drawn for between acts with everything from baked goods to electronics to be given away. The \$100 "Crowd Favorite" prize was donated by Billy Ray Hardcastle and the Motley Mill & Cube-Roaring Springs.

Do not forget that the show is free and there is plenty of free parking in our beautiful downtown Turkey, Texas. See ya there!

## Briscoe County Health Fair Saturday, October 27 At Hope Center In Quitaque

Briscoe County Health Fair will be on Saturday, October 27 at the Hope Center in Quitaque, Texas. Vendors available this year include: Covenant Hospital (flu shots available), Briscoe County Clinic (cholesterol checking-must fast for 12 hours prior to the screening); Panhandle Council for Deaf (amplified telephones); Lions Club (glaucoma checks); Hospice Hands of West Texas, American Cancer Society, Mangold Clinic (laser surgery); James Hart (safety); Advanced Hearing Technology, and Texas Cooperative Extension (emergency awareness and Better Living for Texas).

For more information about the Briscoe County Health Fair contact Missy Reynolds at 806-823-2521. All Extension programming is open to all people without regard to race, color, sex, disability, religion, age or national origin. This is an event you won't want to miss!

## 1st Annual Halloween Party At Church of Western Swing

It's time once again for the annual Halloween Party at the Church of Western Swing in Turkey, Tx on Saturday, October 27 beginning at 8 p.m.. Everyone is invited to come on over and enjoy some of the best Western Swing/Country music around. Local entertainers Jimmy Burson, Bobby Winn, Lucy Dean Record, Henry Baker and Bobby Baker along with many others will play till the witching hour. The party is free, although donations are appreciated. Bring a snack, grab a few friends, throw on your scariest Halloween costume or not and come on over to Turkey and join us for one of the best Western Swing Halloween parties in these parts!



Trick or Treat... This scarecrow looks like he is ready for Halloween, Wednesday, October 31. This creative yard display is in the yard of Will and Cally Sperry of Flomot.

## OLD FASHIONED HALLOWEEN CARNIVAL SATURDAY, OCTOBER 27

The Turkey Volunteer Fire Department will be hosting their annual Halloween Spook House Saturday, October 27 beginning at dark-thirty in the Bob Wills gymnasium. The annual Halloween Carnival will begin at 6 p.m. There will be booths set up with food and games, there will be a bail & jail, along with other activities for the young and the young at heart. A haunted hayride will be held in the City Park at the west end of Main street.

Make plans now to bring your little goblins to Turkey for an old fashioned Halloween Carnival, it will be SPOOK-TACULAR!



October is Breast Cancer Awareness Month. Students and staff at Valley Schools are participating in "Tickled Pink For The Cure".

## What's Happening In The Valley Area This Week?

### October 25

- \* Drivers License Office open at Briscoe County Courthouse today 9:30 a.m. - 3 p.m. Closed for lunch
- \* Turkey Economic Development Corp. meeting @ 7 p.m.
- \* Valley PatriotsJV vs Samnorwood, here @ 6:30 p.m.
- \* Valley Jr High vs Motley County, there @ 5 p.m.

### October 26

- \* Valley Patriots - OPEN DAT
- \* SHILOH in concert at the Hope Center in Quitaque @ 7 p.m. Sponsored by First Baptist Church~Quitaque
- \* PAWA Trade Days kicks off in Quitaque today

### October 27

- \* Turkey VFD Spookhouse tonite at dark - Bob Wills Gym
- \* Turkey Halloween Carnival @ 6:30 p.m. - Bob Wills Center
- \* 1st annual Halloween Party at Church of Western Swing @ 8 p.m. Just off Hwy 70 in Turkey
- \* Briscoe County Health Fair 10 am - 3 pm at Hope Center in Quitaque
- \* PAWA Trade Days in Quitaque, old Paymaster Gin site. All day long

### October 28

- \* PAWA Trade Days in Quitaque, old Paymaster Gin site. Final day

### October 29

- \* Caprock Partners meeting @ 5:30 p.m.

### October 30

- \* Turkey Senior Citizens meeting @ 6 p.m. Blood Pressure Checks @ 5:30 p.m.

### October 31

- \* Trick or Treat! It's Halloween

It Is FREE To Add Your Events To This Calendar  
Deadline Is Noon Tuesdays

To Add Your Event Call: 806-455-1101 or email:vtaylor@caprock-spur.com



# ON THE QT

By Patsy Herrington

The Grand Opening of the Visitor Center at Caprock Canyons State Park and Trailway Friday night proved to be a fantastic success with over 200 guests in attendance. Entertainment was by Kenny Maines. There were heavy hors d'oeuvres beautifully prepared by Sherry McKay and a love auction following. The weather was absolutely perfect. A tribute to O.R. Stark was made by a speaker from Austin State parks and Wildlife and also Bill Smith, District Judge. A plaque and picture of O.R. was placed in the entrance featuring his tremendous part and continuous dedication for a State Park in this area. My son, Lex Herrington, Floydada, accompanied me to this momentous occasion.

Between 300-400 guests came Saturday for the scheduled events which included Dutch Oven cooking demonstrations, Rumbblings of a Buffalo Hunter living history program, buffalo burgers (free) for lunch with all the trimmings (I had never tasted buffalo before, but it tasted just like beef to me, only leaner). They prepared 300, but ran out. The ribbon cutting ceremony at 2 p.m. featured short talks by Sen. Mark Bivins and Warren Chissum, who spoke of the great strides to tourism this Bison Center should bring to this area. The ribbon cutting ceremony was announced by members of the U.S. Calvary and was impressive.

Driving tours of Caprock Canyons State Park were all day. A van would pick you up and a lot of history of the park was included. I go out to the State Park sometimes several times a week, but friends persuaded me to with them, and I learned much that I didn't know. My uncle, John T. Haynes, (once married to Mother's older sister) lived on the edge of the State Park in a dugout for many years. Sometimes we visited him and it was unique and great fun. The day ended with a slide show of 25 years of Caprock Canyons at the Visitor Center. All in all, it was a memorable day.

Odin and Jessie Reagan have left on a trip to Branson, Missouri. They were accompanied by their daughter Eva Jonett of Amarillo.

Clara Mae Smith Bradshaw of Floydada (formerly of Quitaque) visited Patsy Rucker over the weekend.

Mary Stark Henry and Durward Henry of Nacogdoches were here over the weekend for the Park celebration, and stayed with son, Scotty and Sandra Stark. Mary commented on how nice the town looked and especially the cleared lots with housing demolition, all of the nice cleaned mowed lots and lawns and the beautiful new streets and sidewalks. She assisted with the ribbon cutting at the State Park.

Patsy Davidson from Arlington came for the Park Dedication. Her husband, Roy, was pastor of the 1st Baptist Church here in the 1960's. She visited with many of her friends and spent the night with Glenn and Lila Ramsey.

Bob and Jacquelyn Ham have returned from a two week trip to Europe where they visited 5 countries, England, France, Switzerland, Italy and Holland. They report a marvelous time.

Johnny Rogers of Lubbock visited in the Ham home last weekend. Johnny also visited with Mary Stark, Patsy Herrington, Lila Ramsey, Patsy Davidson and others.

Ruth and Bob Hayes from San Angelo were here over the weekend visiting family. They attended 1st Baptist Church together on Sunday. Also Sherry Stark and Rick Braden were in town visiting.

Jimmy Davidson gave everyone a bad scare when the ambulance picked him up last week. Thankfully, it was nothing serious and he is home and doing much better.

This crisp fall weather with crunchy leaves underfoot gives us an opportune time to enjoy nature's showcase all around us!

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## Shiloh In Concert This Friday Night At Hope Center

On Friday, October 26 the First Baptist Church of Quitaque will host an incredible evening of inspiring Christian music by "Shiloh" at the Hope Center in Quitaque beginning at 7 p.m.

Celebrating 10 years of ministry and considered by many as the premier male quartet from the State of Texas, Shiloh is a group who is definitely "on the rise" in Christian music today.

Make plans to come and worship with the members us and enjoy an evening of entertainment provided by Shiloh on Friday, October 26 at the Hope Center in Quitaque at 7 p.m. For more information regarding this exciting concert event, please contact First Baptist Church of Quitaque at 806-455-1286 or at fbcquitaque.org.

## Palo Duro Basin Oil & Gas Report

By Tom Musser

**Floyd County:** PetroGlobe Energy - On Friday October 19 PetroGlobe issued a 2007 Exploration and Production Operational Update including information on their Texas operations. They stated they were currently testing the McIntosh lease well #176 to determine sustained deliverability rate. PetroGlobe also stated they were planning an extended flow test of the McIntosh lease well #1077. After these tests on the wells #1077 and #176 are completed, PetroGlobe stated they will finalize they design and specification of the McIntosh lease gas processing plant.

**Motley County:** Bankers Petroleum Black 4 lease well #1 is currently shut-in after the recent initial completion work on this well.

**Motley County:** The Bankers Petroleum Burselon Ranch #60 lease well #1 continues to be test pumped.

**Motley County:** The horizontal recompletion which started the first of September 2007 continues on the Bankers Petroleum Cogdell "64" lease well #1.

## Turkey Senior Citizens News

The Turkey Sr. Citizens met Tuesday evening with 18 present. Visitors were Linda Tellez from Texarkana, TX, Mitchie Fuston, Mabel Morse, and Del Ray House of Turkey. The nurses from Accolade Home Care were there to do the blood pressure checks, cholesterol, and blood sugar tests; Don Turner gave Flu shots. A representative will be back in 4 weeks. Tom Eudy 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 October 30th. If you are a senior, come and join us for some food! fun! and fellowship!

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October 25, 2007  
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# FLOMOT NEWS

By Earlyne Jameson

## OVERHEARD

I have three siblings, two sisters and a younger brother. This weekend I was chatting with my mom about how she had changed as a mother from the first child to the last. She told me she had mellowed a lot over the years. "When your oldest sister coughed or sneezed, I called for an ambulance. When your brother swallowed a dime, I just told him it was coming out of his allowance."

### Do Gooders Club Selling Chances On A Bazaar Quilt

Members of the Do Gooders' Club are selling chances, a \$1 each or six chances for \$5 for their queen sized colorful floral designed Bazaar quilt. It is hand stitched with the name of each flower embroidered underneath its block.

The winning name will be drawn for this artistic quilt at 3:30 p.m., the day of the club's Bazaar, Saturday, November 17 at the Flomot Community Center and does not have to be present to win.

Booths are available for \$10 and you may contact Mrs. Kathy Shorter 806-469-5279 or Mrs. Mary Jo Calvert 806-469-5212.

### Lyles Family Reunion

Descendants of W.E. and Nettie Lyles held their annual family reunion Saturday, October 20 at the Lumberyard Lodge in Turkey. Following a delicious buffet luncheon, family members drew numbers for the wide assortment of gifts brought for the occasion. Adding to the visiting and renewing memories, a name was drawn for a framed crocheted plaque with the Lyles family name that Chris Lyles won.

Over fifty attended including six of the original nine children of Mr. and Mrs. Lyles. They were Iona Lane, Leota Johnson and Billy Lyles of Turkey; Eldon Lyles of Childress; Travis Lyles of Lubbock and Mary Jo Calvert of Flomot. The deceased are Bernard "Muggs" Lyles, Donald Ray Lyles and Euman Lyles.

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Brenda and Darrell Cruse, her mother, Mrs. Marihelen Watson of Matador, daughter, Leah Cruse of Canyon and son and family, Keane, Lacy and Reese Cruse of Turkey enjoyed tourist attractions and falling snow in Vail, Colorado, Thursday and Friday.

Tylee, Trent and Trevor Barclay of Matador visited overnight Saturday with their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Barclay. Their father, Ty Barclay visited Sunday and accompanied them home.

Mrs. B. Rogers and son, Donnie Rogers visited overnight Wednesday in Lubbock with Ronnie and Lou Rogers, Thursday morning they continued to Artesia, N.M. and attended the graveside rites of Darlene Rogers, 71, held at the Twin Oaks Cemetery.

Mrs. Janice Hughes was in Floydada Thursday and Friday to be with her granddaughter, Kendal Hughes. Her parents, Rickey and Tasha Hughes were in Lubbock at the Covenant Medical center with their son, Kason, who was under medical treatment for asthma and congestion of the lungs.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Gray of Fort Worth visited Saturday and Sunday with their daughter and family, Melissa and Tim Kendall and sons, Jere and Jacob.

B. Rogers and Donnie Rogers attended the ribbon cutting ceremony of the new visitor center facility at the Caprock Canyons State Park, Saturday. En route home they visited in Quitaque with Sherri and Trent McKay.

Jack and Nada Starkey visited last Thursday and Friday in Sayer, Oklahoma and enjoyed the Bluegrass Festival. Saturday they visited in Elk City, Oklahoma with Mrs. Mellie Compton. They continued to Higgins and visited from Saturday night until Monday with Twana and Jay Kennedy and Jackie and Tonya Starkey.

Orville and Ruth Lee were in Lubbock Friday for Orville and optical appointment.

Connie and Coy Franks and daughter, Cara Franks attended the funeral of Erma A. Cornell Franks, 99, of Tulia held Thursday.

Guests of Mr. and Mrs. Doyle Calvert and Glenn Calvert and attending the Lyles family reunion in Turkey, Saturday were Dan and Sherrilyn Foster of Lubbock, Alvia Joe Calvert of Dumas, Ashley Calvert, Mr. and Mrs. Justin Calvert and new baby daughter, Betty of Amarillo.

Mrs. Marilee Cooper of Borger visited Saturday and Sunday with her father, Wilburn Martin. She helped him together pecans.

Visiting the weekend with Connie and Coy Franks were Cary Franks of Idalou and Anissa Huckert of Lubbock.

Clois Shorter and his father, Everett Shorter visited from Tuesday until Thursday in Wister, Oklahoma with Roy Loggins and Jack Wan and in Pacola, Oklahoma with Josh Smith. These men and Everett served together in the anti-aircraft guns in the Philippines in World War II. En route, Clois and Everett visited in Grannis, Arkansas at the Shorter family homestead.

From the Desk of Missy Reynolds, FCS

## Parental Involvement Contributes to Children's Academic Success

Stephen Green, Ph.D.

Caregivers, teachers, peers, extended family, media, heredity, and the environment all contribute to a child's development; however, parents (if present) are the most powerful influence in the lives of their children. Parental involvement not only shapes development during the initial years of life, but also during the adolescent and adult years.

Given this important role, to what extent should parents be involved in their children's development? According to the National PTA, "Parental involvement is the participation of parents in every facet of the education and development of children from birth to adulthood, recognizing that parents are the primary influence in their children's lives." Parents have a tremendous responsibility to be involved with their children both inside and outside the home.

Decades of research have demonstrated that the more involved parents are in their children's development, the greater chance children have to succeed, particularly in their academic performance. Consistently, researchers have discovered that greater parental involvement in a child's education is associated with:

- \* higher student grades and test scores,
- \* better attendance,
- \* higher rates of homework completion,
- \* more positive student attitudes and behavior,
- \* higher graduation rates, and
- \* greater enrollment rates in post-secondary education.

When parents are involved, children achieve more regardless of their socioeconomic level, ethnic/racial background, or the parents' educational level (Henderson & Mapp, 2002).

As recent research on early brain development has shown, positive parental involvement needs to begin long before children enter into formal schooling arrangements. The early years of a child's life are critically important for healthy brain development, attachment formation, and language acquisition. When parents become actively involved with their children at an early age, they lay a foundation for learning that will benefit children for the rest of their lives.

## Early Voting Underway For November 6 Election

Early voting for the November 6 Amendment election began Monday, October 22, in County Clerk's offices in Briscoe, Hall and Motley Counties. Early voting will continue through November 2.

Sixteen amendments to the Texas Constitution are to be decided upon in the November 6th vote.

## Filing Deadline For 2008 March Primary

The first day to file for a place on the ballot for the March Primary is December 3, 2007. Deadline for filing is January 2, 2008. In Briscoe, Hall and Motley Counties the following positions are up for re-election: Sheriff, Tax-Assessor/Collector, County Attorney, Commissioners for Precinct 1 & 3.

Last day to register to vote in the March Primary is February 4, 2008.

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**ACROSS**

- 1 TXism: "will miss \_\_\_ you blink" (small town)
- 5 Mule \_\_\_ TX
- 6 where croquet is played
- 7 TXism: "fits like ugly \_\_\_ ape"
- 8 TXism: "siesta"
- 9 across the Rio Grande from Presidio
- 16 flying pest
- 18 bridge connecting El Paso to Mexico
- 20 concerning
- 21 this Catherine was 6th wife of Henry VIII
- 22 TX outlaw Bass (init.)
- 24 Sierra \_\_\_ TX
- 30 Hereford's in Topeka? (2 wds.)
- 35 co. below Concho
- 36 TXism: "put on tallow" (\_\_\_ weight)
- 37 bed cloth
- 38 autobiography of TX-born King Vidor
- 42 "Battle of the \_\_\_" was '73
- 43 Astrodome event
- 44 Fort Worth Zoo aviary: \_\_\_ Canyon
- 44 George H. to George W. (abbr.)
- 45 five-star general
- 46 Spanish bear
- 47 president born in Denison (init.)
- 49 TXism: "plain as the \_\_\_ mule"
- 52 TXism: "been ridden hard and put up \_\_\_"
- 53 \_\_\_ Campo, TX
- 54 TX Audie Murphy film: "\_\_\_ Silver Creek"
- 55 woman's "nighties"
- 58 TX sportscaster Nadel & SMU runner Dickerson
- 59 TXism: "\_\_\_ hog had wings he'd be an eagle"
- 60 TXism: "\_\_\_ sleeping dogs lie"
- 61 tell a "windy"

**DOWN**

- 1 TXism: "honest as the day \_\_\_"
- 2 TXism: "wound tighter \_\_\_ 8-day clock" (tense)
- 3 Wichita Co. town
- 4 Sherilyn of film "Ruby" about Dallas nightclub owner
- 9 Wizard's realm
- 10 in '45 TX Nimitz signed \_\_\_ surrender paper
- 11 TX Willie's lather & songster Gershwin
- 12 drug officer
- 13 TXism: "knee high to \_\_\_ hopper"
- 14 TXism: "don't \_\_\_ off half cocked"
- 15 TXism: "cautious \_\_\_ a small dog with a big bone"
- 17 jazz great Jack who was born in Vernon
- 19 TX band: "\_\_\_ the Wheel"
- 23 these are made at TX horse tracks
- 24 TX-born Moyers of PBS (init.)
- 25 Houston's last wife Margaret \_\_\_ (reserve)
- 26 TX pest: fire \_\_\_
- 27 TXism: "walking the straight & \_\_\_"
- 28 it's on top of a cowboy hat
- 29 TXism: "hot as \_\_\_ stove"
- 31 TX singer Stuckey
- 32 "Yes \_\_\_"
- 33 TXism: "ace in \_\_\_ (reserve)"
- 34 TX things
- 39 TXism: "put a pencil to \_\_\_"
- 40 TXism: "\_\_\_ buster" (farmer)
- 41 tear up by the roots
- 48 Robert \_\_\_ was stationed in TX when Civil War broke out
- 50 wigs
- 51 TXism: "couldn't \_\_\_ through a barbed wire fence"
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### Valley School Lunch Menu

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**Monday, October 29**

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**Lunch:** Pizza, Salad, Carrot Sticks, Peaches, Milk

**Tuesday, October 30**

**Breakfast:** Breakfast Hot Pocket, OJ/Milk

**Lunch:** Chicken Nuggets, Gravy, Mashed Potatoes, Corn, Biscuits, Honey, Milk

**Wednesday, October 31**

**Breakfast:** Biscuits, Jelly, Sausage, OJ/Milk

**Lunch:** Soft Tacos, Salad, Pinto Beans, Chips, Hot Sauce, Apricots, Milk

**Thursday, November 1**

**Breakfast:** Toast, Jelly, OJ/Milk

**Lunch:** BBQ on Bun, Pickles, Apples, Chips, Milk

**Friday, November 2**

**Breakfast:** Breakfast Pizza, OJ/Milk

**Lunch:** Turkey & Cheese Sandwich, Salad, Chips, Banana Pudding, Milk



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# THE PATRIOT

Valley School News

## Junior High Defeats Chillicothe

By Susan Ramsey

The Junior High traveled to Chillicothe last Thursday and came away with a 48-18 victory. Adan Alanis led the way with four touchdowns. Daniel Valdez, Steve Hernandez, and Jose Valdez also had one touchdown a piece. Way to go, guys!

The Junior High will take on Motley County this Thursday in Matador. Game time is 5:30, with the Junior Varsity taking on the Rule J.V. immediately following. Get 'em Blue!



Valley Varsity Cross Country girls who participated in the District Cross Country meet: Top row-Manager Jasmin Ivory, Monica Mendoza, Ana Karen Valdez, Jordan Jenkins and Trainer Savannah Smith. Bottom row- Leslie Payne, Lacie Pointer, Mary Kate Davidson and Mariela Mendoza



Valley Jr High Cross Country girls who participated in the District Cross Country meet: Top Row-Dodie Payne, Chambray Smith, Jessie Price, Caitlyn Brown, Courtney Galvan and Whitney Perkins. Middle row-Colleen Hancock, Kristen Jenkins, Tori Addison and Madison Meyer. Bottom row-Macy Valdez, Kammi Warr, Kodie Saul and Abby Hill

## Patriots Soar Over Eagles

By Susan Ramsey

Valley scored on all eight of its first half possessions to claim a 60-14 district win over Chillicothe last Friday night. The victory gives Valley a 7-1 record for the year, and more importantly, a 2-0 mark in district.

Offensively, Cole Brown was five for five passing for 97 yards and two touchdowns. Jacob Hancock had two carries for 62 yards and two touchdowns. Justin Rucker had one rushing touchdown and one receiving touchdown. Armando Mendoza, Mitchell Farley, and Cole Brown also all had one receiving touchdown.

Defensively for the Patriots, Roger Ramos, Jacob Hancock, Cole Brown, and Brady Ramsey each had eight tackles. Luke Shannon also had a nice game with seven stops.

Valley will be open this Friday night before wrapping up district with games against Hedley and Paducah. Keep on rolling, Patriots!!!



Valley Jr Varsity Cross Country girls who participated in the District Cross Country Meet Courtney Thibodeaux, Cynthia Celis, Yessenia Valdes, Sadie Valdez and Khaki Scrivner.



Valley Varsity Cross Country boy who participated in the District Cross Country Meet Gavin Luckett.



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## Valley Patriot Football 2007



THE 2007 VALLEY PATRIOT FOOTBALL TEAM & VALLEY CHEERLEADERS

Valley Superintendent: Jerry Smith, Valley Principal: Jon Davidson  
Valley Head Coach: Bret Tyler, Valley Asst. Coaches: Craig Hamilton, Greg Ramsey, Stuart Smith

### Valley Patriot Varsity Schedule

Date	Opponent	Place	Time
Oct 26	OPEN		
Nov 2	*Hedley	Away	7:30
Nov 9	*Paducah	Home	7:30

\* District Games  
\* Homecoming Game

### Valley Patriot JV Schedule

Date	Opponent	Place	Time
Oct 25	Samnorwood	Home	6:30
Nov 1	Hedley	Home	6:30
Nov 8	Paducah	Away	6:30

### Valley Patriot JR. High Schedule

Date	Opponent	Place	Time
Oct 25	Motley Co.	Away	5:00
Nov 1	Hedley	Home	5:00
Nov 8	Paducah	Away	5:00

Coaches: Greg Ramsey, Stuart Smith

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## Valley's 1<sup>st</sup> Six Weeks Honor Roll

### 1st Grade

**All A's:** Issiah Castillo, Branson Cruse, Kelsey Flowers, Joshua Galvan, Kara Luckett, Iracema Mendoza, Rebecca Santos, Suzanna Santos, Kaytlin Shipley, Ismael Valdes, Angel Zamora

### 2nd Grade

**All A's:** None  
**A's & B's:** Daxon Allen, Jacob Kendall, Jace Bland, Kylie Brown, Jessie Browning, Juan Villarreal

### 3rd Grade

**All A's:** None  
**A's & B's:** Ryleigh Carson, Adrian Espinoza, Will Farley, Icela Mendoza, Jolee Hill, Trey Smith, Sydnee Meyer, Alyssa Mott, Jack Price, Janet Salgado, Micah Willey, Savannah Young

### 4th Grade

**All A's:** None  
**A's & B's:** Kennadee Buchanan, Francisca Alanis, Rachel Hancock, Emily Barrett, Germain Mendoza, Jere Kendall, J.D. Schnitker

### 5th Grade

**All A's:** None  
**A's & B's:** Barrett Bland, Colton Bowman, Haley Wheeler, Shelby Shannon, Tyler Campbell, Nick Farino, Brandon Pointer, Esmarelda Cruz, Walker Carson, Baylie Pointer, Blayne Young

### 6th Grade

**All A's:** Monica Alanis, Caleb Bernal, Morgan Hawkins  
**A's & B's:** Kaylee Addison, Allen Espinoza, Jerrica Galvan, Gunnar Luckett, Macy Maynard, Jessie Messer, Ketch Smith, April Villarreal, Cory Williams

### 7th Grade

**All A's:** Brennan Allen, Kameron Buchanan, Sunny Helms, Abby Hill, Ben Seth Ramsey, Kodie Saul  
**A's & B's:** Ian Farley, Colleen Hancock, Cody Heck, Jose Mendoza, Blake Pigg, Carson Proctor, Noe Valdes

### 8th Grade

**All A's:** Caitlyn Brown, Courtney Galvan, Kristen Jenkins, Madison Meyer, Alyssa Pointer, Jessie Price  
**A's & B's:** Danielle Gwinn, Casen Hawkins, Chambray Smith

### Freshmen

**All A's:** Landon Allen, Autumn Phillips, Khaki Scrivner  
**A's & B's:** Kelsey Kelley

### Sophomores

**All A's:** Mariela Mendoza, Lacie Pointer, Payton Price, Jacy Proctor, Courtney Thibodeaux, Lauren Young  
**A's & B's:** Jacob Hancock, Gavin Luckett, Monica Mendoza, Johnathan Perkins, Isaac Smith

### Juniors

**All A's:** Dalton Allen, Dulce Chavez, Mitchell Farley, Callie Helms, Jordan Jenkins, Cade Luckett, Laura Martinez, Brady Ramsey, Justin Todd, Yessenia Valdes, Ana Karen Valdez, Townlii Ziegler  
**A's & B's:** Chancy Campbell, Angelica Cruz, Cesar Mendoza, Leslie Payne, Alexandra Skinner, Maria Valdez

### Seniors

**All A's:** Cole Brown, Mary Kate Davidson, Justin Rucker, Savannah Smith, Ana Iris Valdes  
**A's & B's:** Justin Billegas, Juan Haro, Jasmin Ivory, Armando Mendoza



Jacob Hancock scores a TD against Chillicothe last Friday night as Valley beats the Eagles 60-14 for another district win. Photo by Albert Castillo

## Annual Essay Competition; Students and Teachers Will Share More Than \$60,000 in Prize Money

Area high-school students interested in the rights and responsibilities of American citizenship have an opportunity to add up to \$5,000 to their savings accounts. But the deadline for entering the annual "Being an American" essay contest is rapidly approaching, officials of the Arlington, VA-based Bill of Rights Institute reminded them.

Nationally, cash prizes totaling more than \$60,000 will be awarded to students and sponsoring teachers. The teachers can submit essays online at [www.BeingAnAmerican.org](http://www.BeingAnAmerican.org). Entries must be submitted by December 3.

The essay contest, sponsored by the nonprofit Bill of Rights Institute and supported by a grant from the John Templeton Foundation, is open to high-school students in 19 states and the District of Columbia. Winning essays will be announced next spring and will earn winning students and teachers in each of three regions cash prizes of up to \$5,000 each.

"This contest provides a tremendous opportunity for students to reflect upon American citizenship," said Bill of Rights Institute President Victoria Hughes. "It provides an equally tremendous opportunity, we believe, for social studies, government, history, civics and other teachers to incorporate this material into their coursework."

"With all of the issues that seemingly divide us these days, it's good to remind ourselves of the core values and the common experiences that unite us," she added.

The contest asks participating students to answer the following question: "What civic value(s) do you believe are most essential to being an American, and how can you personally put those values into practice?" To encourage teachers to integrate the contest into their classroom work, the Bill of Rights Institute has created a lesson plan and supplemental materials on the contest topic, constructed a web site so teachers can submit student essays for consideration, and included equal cash prizes for teachers as well as students.

More details on the "Being an American" essay contest, including contest rules, submission details, lesson plans and background information on the U.S. Constitution, Bill of Rights, the Founding Fathers and other Americans who have contributed to America's shared civic values are available at [www.BeingAnAmerican.org](http://www.BeingAnAmerican.org).

## Area Schools Proactive In Preventing Staph Infections

With daily reports of Methicillin Resistant Staphylococcal infections reported across the nation in the past few weeks the Texas Department of State Health Services has released new guidelines to help prevent the spread of staphylococcal infections.

According to Jon Davidson, Principal at Valley School and Sheryl Weaver, Principal at Silverton School there have been no reports of staph infections at either school this year. They both stated that all teachers and staff have had training and are aware of the signs and symptoms to observe for in students. If any staph infections should turn up in the student population the appropriate steps would be taken at that time to inform all parents and to prevent the spread of the disease to other students. Randy Brown, Superintendent of Motley County School stated that only one case has been seen in his school earlier this year, and it was not the methicillin resistant strain. "We have our custodians cleaning desks, doorknobs and other items that come in frequent contact with students and staff. Sanitizing gel dispensers have been placed in the cafeteria, so everyone can wash their hands before eating. As well as having teachers and coaches observing students for tale-tale signs of possible infection. Information has also been dispersed to all personnel on prevention and detection. If anyone has any questions or concerns please contact your school principal or your local health care provider.

The guidelines, "Prevention and Containment of Staphylococcal Infections in Communities," include checklists for athletic departments, schools, child care settings, dormitories, group homes, gyms and spas, homes, salons, workplaces and youth camps.

Staphylococcus aureus, often referred to as "staph," are bacteria that can cause skin infections that are often initially mistaken for insect or spider bites. Staph bacteria are spread through person-to-person contact or contact with contaminated surfaces.

Symptoms of serious infection include fever or persistent draining, bleeding or red streaks at the infected site. The bacteria also can cause life-threatening conditions such as pneumonia and bloodstream infections. Some staph bacteria called methicillin-resistant Staphylococcus aureus, or MRSA, are resistant to commonly used antibiotics.

"Regular hand washing is the best way to prevent staph transmission," said Marilyn Felkner, a DSHS epidemiologist. "Getting back to the basics - using soap and water, or hand sanitizer - is essential in facilities where people work, live and play close together."

DSHS recommends the following guidelines to avoid infection:

- Practice good hygiene, especially regular hand washing.
- Do not share personal items such as towels or razors.
- Thoroughly clean shared items - toys, telephones, keyboards - using a 1:100 bleach-water solution.
- Cover open wounds or cuts with a clean, dry bandage.
- Seek medical attention if symptoms occur.
- Schools and employers in close-contact settings should create infection containment policies and provide prevention information to employees.

The complete set of guidelines is available at [www.mrsaTexas.org](http://www.mrsaTexas.org).

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A friend is a present you give to yourself.

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- Ralph Waldo Emerson

Friendship is a word the very sight of which in print makes the heart warm.

- Augustine Birrell

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### NRCS Sets Sign-Up Deadline for 2008 Environmental Quality Incentives Program

Matador, Tx. Oct. 18, 2007— The USDA-Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) in Matador has set a Nov. 16, 2007, sign-up deadline for the 2008 Environmental Quality Incentives Program (EQIP).

According to James Gillespie, Resource Team Leader, "The program provides incentive payments to producers applying approved conservation measures that help solve natural resource problems."

Natural resource concerns are established in each county by local work groups, who identify the most important natural resource issues in the area. Through EQIP, NRCS also funds projects that address special statewide resource concerns recommended by the Texas State Technical Committee. The 2008 statewide resource concerns identified for Motley County are for the improvement of Bobwhite quail habitat.

Immediately following the end of the sign-up period, all applications will be ranked. Producers with an approved application will work with an NRCS conservation planner to develop a contract and a plan and will begin implementing conservation practices as soon as feasible.

The Matador NRCS field office has complete details, including ranking criteria, eligible practices, and payment rates for all programs. This information can also be found on the Texas NRCS Web Site at [www.tx.nrcs.usda.gov/programs/](http://www.tx.nrcs.usda.gov/programs/). Contact the Matador office at 347-2263 extension 3 or come by the Matador Service Center.

### Last Chance To Sign Up For PLANTing Seeds Of Choice

With all the talk about global warming and carbon sequestering, people are wondering what they can do to reduce carbon emissions and assure clean air and water for their family. Holistic Resource Management, a Texas nonprofit educating folks in land stewardship techniques that will assure a sustainable future, is putting on an event for the public to transform their relationship to the land through awareness of its impact on every aspect of their lives.

The event is called PLANTing Seeds of Choice and is hosted by Bear Creek Ranch, Aledo, TX (between Weatherford and Ft. Worth). Folks can attend any or all of the following dates.

October 25-26 (Thursday - Friday) - For ranchers, learning methods of low-stress stockmanship to create happier, healthier and tastier beef, sheep, goats, etc. OR for horse people there is the Aaron England trail ride clinic on this beautiful 22,000 acre ranch.

There is camping on the ranch and a campfire gathering Thursday and Friday nights. Friday night we have cowboy poet and singer Andy Hedges to entertain.

October 26 - Friday - offers half-day workshops in Raniwaver Harvesting, Water-Wise landscaping, Getting back to the Land and Holistic Management in your home and business.

October 27 - Saturday is the main event with ceremony to honor the land and speakers on a variety of topics about land, water and sustainable practices for urban, suburban and rural participants. Plus a fabulous lunch of organic lamb!

Full details on our website [www.hrm-texas.org](http://www.hrm-texas.org).

*We challenge one another to be funnier and smarter...It's the way friends make love to one another.*

- Annie Gottlieb

*Silence make the real conversations between friends.*

- Margaret Runbeck

*He that walketh with wise men shall be wise.*

- Solomon

### Producers Encouraged To Consider Benefits Of Cotton Module Averaging Program

The USDA's Agricultural Marketing Service Cotton Program is justifiably proud of the quality of service they provide to the U.S. cotton producer.

Having perfected both the science and the art of producing fast and accurate quality measurements for an inherently variable commodity, the folks responsible for insuring the reliability of the cotton classification process are always looking for ways to improve the quality of the information they provide.

For the U.S. cotton producer a quality product from the cotton classification system means receiving an accurate measure of their crop's quality parameters, ensuring they get the best price possible for their cotton.

As the U.S. cotton producer's ultimate customer, the textile mill buyer counts on the accuracy of the USDA measurements. Equally important, though, for the textile mill operator is the repeatability of the quality measurements provided by the USDA classification process.

Because of cotton's inherent variability the goal of the textile mill is to identify the right blend of fiber characteristics that allows them to create quality yarn and fabric. That variability is also what makes quantifying the quality of the fiber in a cotton bale such a challenge.

The Cotton Division has an unparalleled track record in the realm of cotton fiber quality measurement and boasts impressive reproducibility statistics using High Volume Instrument (HVI) classification equipment. Improving the repeatability of their results is an ongoing process within the Cotton Division.

One of the ways they can improve the repeatability of fiber measurements after retesting, which is now a common practice among textile mill worldwide prior to spinning, is the Cotton Division's Module Averaging Program.

Since 1991, the Cotton Program has offered a voluntary Module Averaging program to growers interested in improving the accuracy of the cotton classification results they receive.

The Module Averaging program is typically opted for by growers on 20-25 percent of the cotton produced in the U.S. The program utilizes information provided by the gin to group bales ginned from the same module.

Module Averaged bales are tested just like non-participating bales, and receive individually-based Color, Leaf and Extraneous Matter grades. Once measured only the individual HVI values for Length, Strength, Length Uniformity and Micronaire are utilized in the Module Average procedures.

The calculated averages are then cross-checked and will only be assigned to each bale in the group after USDA verifies that no individual bale reading falls outside a narrow range above and below the averages calculated for each parameter.

Bales that fall outside of a predetermined range above or below the calculated averages are called "outliers" and are assigned their individual HVI fiber measurements.

According to Cotton Program officials Module averaging improves the repeatability of the 4 HVI measurements by 5 percent for Micronaire, 11 percent for Length, 13 percent for Strength and 10 percent for Length Uniformity.

Cotton Program officials note that even though data collected in recent years indicates a slight positive economic return to the producer by module averaging, the main benefit lies in the increased reproducibility of the HVI data involved and the increased reliability of the measurements when used by textile customers.

With over 16 years and millions of bales worth of data to verify the results, Cotton Program official note that Module Averaging is simply a more accurate means of assigning classing data for Length, Strength, Length Uniformity and Micronaire.

Cotton Program officials add that producers can participate on as much or as little of their crop as they wish and that there is no requirement that all of a producers production be enrolled in the program. All that a producer needs to do to participate in the Module Averaging program is to contact their cotton gin and let them know which cotton they want module averaged.

The Cotton Program will then work with the cotton gin to retrieve the module numbers and bale ranges necessary to perform the averaging process on identified modules.

For more information about the Module Averaging program and the benefits that can be obtained producers are encouraged to contact the Cotton Program office nearest them. High Plains cotton producers can contact either the Lubbock Cotton Classing office at 806-472-7621 or the Lamesa Cotton Classing office at 806-872-8870.

**Cotton**  **News**  
By **Shawn Wade** from Plains Cotton Growers, Inc.

### Chairman Rolling Out New Ideas As Senate Ag Heads Toward Planned Oct. 23 Mark-up

With the on-again, off-again Senate Farm Bill mark-up process set to possibly be on again some time next week, a flurry of new information about what might actually be on the table for discussion has erupted from Washington over the past few days.

Among the concepts that have been included in a recently announced policy and budget framework agreement, is yet another iteration of an optional Revenue Counter-cyclical program that has most major commodity groups, and quite a few legislators, concerned about long-term policy ramifications that might come into play.

While little is actually understood about how this latest variation is designed to work, the little that is known has quickly prompted a flurry of red flags to be raised by a broad cross-section of the agriculture industry.

As has been the case since the start of this farm bill cycle budget considerations and a tight baseline have forced some creative thinking to occur on Capitol Hill and not all of the ideas that have emerged would be considered wise policy alternatives under a more favorable budget baseline.

With so many of the policy alternatives likely to be discussed in the Senate Ag Committee deliberation having made their public debut in just the last few days, there is still a lot that isn't known about how many of them are expected to work.

That concern, however, isn't enough to cause postponement of Senate deliberations according to a recent communication from industry groups to Senate Ag Committee leaders.

In an effort to keep the process moving forward the cotton industry, through the National Cotton Council, has joined other commodity groups signing a letter to Senate Agriculture Committee Chairman Tom Harkin (D-IA) and Ranking Member Saxby Chambliss (R-GA) encouraging them to keep the process moving forward and proceed with a previously discussed mark-up session the week of October 22.

The primary message communicated in the letter signed by organizations representing cotton, rice, wheat, peanuts, grain sorghum, soybeans, minor oilseeds, dairy and sugar was that it was important to each of the organizations that the process move forward. The American Farm Bureau Federation, National Farmers Union, and the National Association of State Departments of Agriculture also signed the letter.

"While each of our organizations may have concerns and questions about details of the framework agreement, particularly the relatively new version of a revenue option ... we believe it is imperative that the Senate complete work on its version of new farm legislation so a conference committee can be appointed," the letter stated.

The letter also noted that important provisions of current farm law have recently expired - and farmers and ranchers need to have policy in place in order to make well-informed financing, cropping and marketing decisions.

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### Neugebauer Discusses Cotton; Delivers House WTO Letter To USTR Susan Schwab

Thirty-three members of the U.S. House of Representatives signed a letter to U.S. Trade Representative Susan Schwab encouraging her to pursue strong efforts on U.S. agriculture's behalf during the WTO Doha Agriculture negotiation process and put an exclamation point on the significant concerns they have with the proposed cotton text submitted by WTO Ambassador Crawford Falconer.

Delivering the letter to Schwab was Texas Congressman Randy Neugebauer (R-Lubbock), who sat down with the U.S. Trade Representative in his Washington offices to discuss the status and direction of the WTO Doha Agriculture negotiation.

During the meeting Neugebauer said he reinforced the positions outlined in the Houseletter regarding the importance of the negotiations to American agriculture and that the currently proposed cotton language was unacceptable.

"Simply stated, the draft cotton language is unacceptable because it singles out cotton for different treatment than the rest of agriculture," Neugebauer explained. "My message to Ambassador Schwab was that our U.S. negotiators need to work to get this language removed or changed significantly, and I asked her to work closely with representatives for U.S. cotton producers to this end."

Neugebauer noted that as Schwab continues to work on the WTO agriculture agreement, his over-riding concern is that she work for a balanced agreement that doesn't include unfair treatment of any single commodity such as cotton.

Neugebauer closed his discussion with Schwab with a request that the USTR appeal the recent WTO panel decision in the case brought by Brazil claiming the U.S. not fully complied with the 2005 ruling regarding cotton subsidies.

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Area Wide October Sales Tax Allocations

Table with 8 columns: City, Current Sales Tax Rate, Net Tax Payment This Period, Comp. Tax Payment Prior Year, % Of Change, 2007 Tax Payments To Date, 2006 Tax Payments To Date, % Of Change. Rows include Quitaque, Silverton, Turkey, Memphis, Lakeview, Estelline, Matador, and Roaring Spgs.

State Sales Tax Collections Increase 7 Percent; Comptroller Susan Combs Delivers \$443 Million to Local Governments

Texas Comptroller Susan Combs reports the state took in \$1.62 billion dollars in sales tax in September, a 7 percent increase over September 2006. Combs sent \$443.7 million in monthly sales tax payments to Texas cities, counties, transit systems and special purpose taxing districts, up 6.8 percent compared to last October.

THORNBERRY ANNOUNCES HOMELAND SECURITY GRANTS AVAILABLE

Fire Prevention & Safety Grants Program Accepting Applications Until November 30

Washington, DC - Congressman Mac Thornberry today announced that the application period for awards under the U.S. Department of Homeland Security's (DHS) Fiscal Year (FY) 2007 Fire Prevention & Safety (FP&S) Grants Program opened October 22, 2007 and closes on November 30, 2007.



Pictures left to right: Javier Gamez, Brewster Garcia, Enrique Gamez, Nikki Gamble, Brittany Deckard, Baylee Deckard, and Emily Garcia. Not pictures Sarah Branham.

Briscoe County District Food Show

Missy Reynolds, Briscoe Co Extension Agency. These kids are incredible! On October 20, 2007 Briscoe County 4-Her's participated in the District Food Show and made tasty creative dishes to present to judges who asked the 4-Her's questions about their recipes and food knowledge.

Keep Your Cats Indoors to Help Prevent Rabies

Keeping cats indoors has multiple benefits to cats, birds and human health, including rabies prevention, says American Bird Conservancy (ABC). ABC raises public awareness about the impacts of free-roaming and feral cats through its Cats Indoors! campaign. "Cat owners can reduce the chance their pet will be exposed to rabies by keeping it indoors," said George Wallace, ABC's Chief Conservation Officer.

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Singing.....5:00 p.m.
Training Union.....6:00 p.m.
Evening Worship.....6:00 p.m.
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Women's Missionary Society.....4:00 p.m.
WEDNESDAY
Prayer Meeting.....8:00 p.m.

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SUNDAY
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Deacon Pedro Juarez
SUNDAY
Mass.....11:00 a.m.
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Minister: Delos Johnson
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Evening Worship.....5:00 p.m.
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## Outlook Bright For Upcoming Deer Season

AUSTIN, Texas — Last year's Texas deer hunting season was considered text book by state wildlife biologists. This season, hunters may have to throw out the book.

Indicators leading into the Nov. 3 season opener point to potentially great hunting across much of the state, according to Texas Parks and Wildlife Department biologists. But, as they say in advertising disclaimers, individual results may vary.

"Generally speaking, it's a banner year for (fawn) production," said Mitch Lockwood, TPWD deer program leader. "As far as the quality of the animals, the deer we're seeing are in pretty good condition and I expect antler quality and body weights to be above average. Not only do we expect this year's crop to be better, but there are more mature bucks out there simply because harvest was down in 2006."

Whitetails have responded well from last year's extended dry spell, thanks to an unseasonably wet spring and summer, and have taken advantage of resurgent plant growth, Lockwood noted. That bodes well for the deer, but could pose a challenge for hunters hoping to find success from a blind over supplemental feed.

Biologists point to 2004, when timely spring rains created ideal range conditions, healthy deer and high expectations from hunters. Due to the abundance of vegetation available to deer that year, hunters observed fewer animals during the season and overall harvest numbers were down.

When conditions became relatively dry in 2005, deer harvest jumped considerably and, in particular, more mature bucks were killed that season.

"That's what makes this year tough to predict," Lockwood noted. "There will be more deer on the ground this fall, but hunting could be tough early in the season."

Because some parts of the state are drying up as rainfall slackened off in September and October, deer movements and hunting conditions could change. "Deer were seeing so much good native groceries all year, corn was something new to them," he said. "In the Edwards Plateau, we're loaded with acorns. Once those food sources run out, deer should return to feeders."

With the expected high percentage of recruitment into the deer population this year, biologists are urging hunters and landowners to actively manage whitetail numbers.

"It's important for hunters to use those antlerless tags this season and get those excess animals off the range before winter sets in to ensure there's enough food to go around," Lockwood said. "If folks want help determining how many deer to remove from their property they are welcome to contact their local TPWD biologist for assistance."

TPWD provides wildlife management consultation at no cost to landowners. The agency offers a variety of conservation planning assistance, from habitat enhancement incentives to wildlife resource management. Details about these programs are available on the TPWD Web site or from your local wildlife biologist.

While there are no major changes to deer regulations this year, hunters in eastern and central Texas are reminded that special buck antler restrictions are in effect in 61 counties. Under the regulation, a lawful buck in the designated counties is defined as any buck having at least one unbranched antler OR an inside antler spread of at least 13 inches. The bag limit in the affected counties is two lawful bucks, no more than one of which may have an inside spread of greater than 13 inches.

For additional deer hunting regulations refer to the 2007-08 Outdoor Annual available wherever licenses are sold and on the TPWD Web site.

Following is a snapshot of conditions and observations for the upcoming season in our region.

**South Texas Plains:** Deer should be fat this year and fawn crops should be 50 percent or better, even on marginal ranges, according to TPWD district biologist Joe Herrera in Pleasanton. He reported antler quality should also be excellent this fall.

"The deer are not moving much due to the good habitat conditions, and are eating very little supplemental feed," said Herrera. "With the great range conditions consisting of tall grasses and green brush it may be difficult to hunt this season."

With the high fawn survival biologists are expecting this fall, managers will have their work cut out for them trying to keep the deer population at healthy levels before the next drought hits.

**Panhandle:** "We're anticipating excellent body weights and horn development, and even though it has gotten dry whitetails should go into the winter in good shape," noted Danny Swepston, TPWD district biologist in Canyon.

"Having too much cover may be a problem during the early part of the season," Swepston added. "In areas where winter wheat is coming up, deer may be moving on that pretty quick. They may be slow coming to feeders in some places."

Swepston recommended in some of the eastern counties of the Panhandle having high deer populations, hunters are encouraged to take does.

## Too Much TV Time Increases Obesity Risk In Young Children

Children who exceed guidelines on watching too much television are more likely to be overweight and have more body fat, according to a Baylor College of Medicine-led study published today in the International Journal of Behavioral Nutrition and Physical Activity.

"It's important for preschoolers to watch less than two hours of television each day, and what they are watching should ideally have an educational aspect. Parents should try to turn the TV off as often as possible and do other activities such as play and read," said Dr. Jason Mendoza, assistant professor of pediatrics at BCM and a researcher at the USDA/ARS Children's Nutrition Research Center.]

The study shows that while the American Academy of Pediatrics recommends children ages 2 and over limit media time to two hours or less per day, nearly 31 percent of U.S. pre-school children exceed this limit. The cross-sectional study was conducted using nationally representative data on children aged 2 to 5 years from the National Health and Nutrition Examination Survey, 1999-2002.

The study also reports that pre-school children who use a computer are likely to have more body fat than those who do not.

According to Mendoza, research has shown that children start to develop life-long habits for nutrition and physical activity at a young age. If they are healthier at a young age, they are more likely to keep these habits and have an easier time leading a healthy life as they get older. It is difficult to change habits once they are ingrained, he said.



## Protecting Our National Sovereignty

By U.S. Senator John Cornyn

Our state, and our country, are struggling to keep up with the effects of globalization—the increasingly free flow of ideas, information, goods and capital across borders and around the world.

One major challenge is making certain that our national sovereignty is protected, even as international commerce increases. This is no small matter. Our sovereignty is the foundation for our freedom.

Sovereignty should rest strictly with the American people. We cannot allow a foreign country or an international organization to make decisions that should be our own exclusive province, based on our own national interests.

The U.S. Senate is currently debating the Law of the Sea Treaty (LOST), a document that I believe poses a threat to these concepts. The treaty has been signed by 155 countries. But President Reagan rejected it in 1982, and the Senate refused to ratify a different version approved by President Clinton in 1994. Now it's back.

LOST sets up an international bureaucracy under the United Nations that would control the world's oceans and everything in them as "the common heritage of mankind." Any revenues produced by exploiting resources, such as oil discovered in international waters, would be allocated and divided by international tribunals.

LOST agencies would have authority to levy royalties and fees—effectively the first international tax. Some critics believe the treaty would lead to decisions by an international tribunal regulating the environment, not only in the ocean but all over the globe.

The Bush Administration is pushing the Senate to ratify the treaty this time. It's needed to ensure that our Navy can navigate anywhere, it says, and to protect our ability to share in undersea resources, such as petroleum that might be found under the Arctic Circle.

In my view, our historical experience with international organizations has not been satisfactory. We are often outvoted, without good cause. The United Nations has earned a dismal and deteriorating record for corruption, highlighted by complicity in the largest fraud in history, the Iraq oil-for-food scandal. More recently, the U.N. has been accused of tolerating bribes and kickbacks in dispensing aid to tsunami victims in Southeast Asia.

U.N. efforts have been particularly ineffectual in resolving real conflicts. I believe the best insurance for orderly management of the high seas—and effective protection of U.S. sovereign interests—is a strong U.S. Navy. This concept has served us well for 200 years.

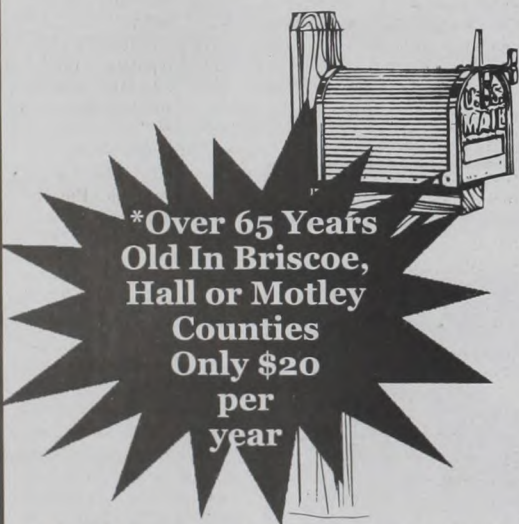
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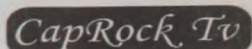
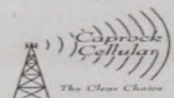
**Justin Todd**

Justin Todd is a 16 year old Junior at Valley High School. Justin is the son of D'vona and Ben Grundy of Matador. As an active Patriot, Justin has excelled in many extra-curricular activities. Justin has participated in Football, Basketball, Track and Tennis, as well as the FFA. Justin is a Valley FFA Chapter Officer and Greenbelt District Officer. Justin has been the member of the State qualifying Sr. Quiz Team and the Sr. Creed Speaking and a member of the Ag. Communications Judging Team.

Justin is a member of the National Honor Society and is a consistent name on the Valley High School "A" Honor Roll. Justin is a reliable leader in our school and a positive role model. Justin was chosen for this recognition because of his leadership, excellent work ethic and positive attitude. He is an "All Around Great Guy" and we are very proud that he is a Valley Patriot.

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## Texun Tawk

By Bill Sperry

### IMPUS ESTREMUS

All of the kids in our family were relativity normal, all with the same disposition, pretty much the same. The one that stuck out like a sore thumb, really different, was the imp. That one made up for the difference.

It's said that the best is saved for last. Don't know about the best but definitely different was this guy. Pop always said that he was part raccoon, what he could tear up he would make a mess of.

Being the baby of the family he enjoyed special privileges, not working, and going to town when everyone else was working. That kid drank more Coca-Cola and ate more ice cream and candy than any two people ever known. Long before seat belts came into vogue he rode standing up in the seat like a white chimpanzee until he was at least fifteen years old the best I remember.

Since he took over my place as the baby of the family he arrived not being my favorite person. When he was about two or three, he came down with appendicitis. He had to have surgery for it and being young myself I thought my folks had seen the error of their ways and had sent him back from where he had come from. Nope, here in a few days they came wagging him back like a little brown rat, wrapped up like a present in blankets and full of beans as ever.

Being a well-mannered kid such as myself, I took a lot of beatings for this guy, as I had to bail him out of lots of things he would get into.

He shot a chicken with a bow and arrow once and as I caught it, Pop showed up and I became the recipient of one of those thrashings where you are held by the arm with your toes just touching the ground and on each stroke you get that pendulum effect. Shooting the horses in the rear with a b-b-gun was a favorite of his and yours truly got the brunt of that. Pop didn't want you riding the livestock but I had to so I could take care of the little fellow, just to see he didn't get hurt. When Pop came in from the field the little devil would rat me out and here it came again. Most kids wore out the knees of their Levis first but it was the seat end of mine that suffered the most wear, just taking care of that little darling brother of mine.

I grew up and left home, not knowing how the little brother would fare without me to keep him from harms way. He went to Vietnam and I really worried as I wasn't there to, so to speak, take his whipping for him, but he made 'er back. I should have known that any guy named Charlie couldn't hold a candle to the mischief that guy could get into. The older brother and I had to stop flying over the house so close right after he got back as the Imp would think that he was getting hit by mortars and rockets Charlie liked to use.

Somewhere along the way I found out that I loved the little Imp. Go figure.



## This Week In Texas History!

### Oct 28, 1835

Gen. Stephen F. Austin sent 90 men under the command of Colonels James Fannin and Jim Bowie to scout the Mexican Army's positions around San Antonio. When they reached Mission Concepcion, the scouts were attacked by 400 Mexican troops. Although badly outnumbered, Bowie and Fannin stood off the attack and lost one man. The Mexicans lost 60 men.

### Oct 29, 1929

Gov. Dan Moody ended Martial Law in Berger and recalled the Texas Rangers.

### Oct 29, 1892

Construction began on the first building in Pampa.

### Oct 29, 1862

Confederate troops attacked a Union ship near Sabine City.

### Oct 29, 1835

Stephen F. Austin camped his army at Mission Concepcion and prepared to lay siege to San Antonio. Gen. Martin Perfecto de Cos was in command of the Mexican troops that were garrisoned in and around the town and they were preparing to withstand the siege. Austin's army had grown to 600 volunteers but he was still outnumbered and it was weeks before he could attempt to capture the community.

### Oct 30, 1947

Five employees of the Fort Worth and Denver Railroad shop reported that they had seen "flying discs" over the city of Childress. They reported that the "discs" were flying west at about 1,000 feet and at speeds of 200 to 300 miles per hour.

### Oct 31, 1912

Frances Octavia Smith, better known as Dale Evans, the "Queen of the West" with Roy Rogers, was born in Uvalde.

### Oct 31, 1887

The Fort Worth and Denver rails had reached Clarendon.

### Oct 31, 1863

The bandit Thomas Edward "Black Jack" Ketchum was born in San Saba County.

### Nov 1, 1935

Texas motorists were required to possess a driver's license. A 45 MPH speed limit also became state law on Texas highways.

### Nov 1, 1912

The last cattle of the XIT Ranch were sold. The sale involved 21,560 head of cattle.

### Nov 1, 1893

Sam McCulloch, a free black, died on his farm at Von Orinyu. He was the first Texan wounded in the revolution. He was shot in the shoulder at Goliad on Oct 9, 1835.

### Nov 1, 1868

Gen. Philip H. Sheridan began his winter offensive against the Panhandle Indians.

### Nov 2, 1929

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## Things That Make You Go Hmmm...

By Laura Taylor

Here is a little funny to get you in the spirit of Halloween. A man was walking home alone late one foggy night, when behind him he hears:

BUMP...BUMP...BUMP...  
Walking faster, he looks back and through the fog he makes out the image of an upright casket banging its way down the middle of the street toward him.

BUMP...BUMP...BUMP...  
Terrified, the man begins to run toward his home, the casket bouncing quickly behind him.

FASTER...FASTER...BUMP...BUMP... BUMP...  
He runs up to his door, fumbles with his keys, opens the door, rushes in, slams and locks the door behind him.

However, the casket crashes through his door, with the lid of the casket clapping  
clappity-BUMP...clappity-BUMP...clappity-BUMP...  
With the casket hot on his heels, the terrified man runs.

Rushing upstairs to the bathroom, the man locks himself in. His heart is pounding; his head is reeling; his breath is coming in sobbing gasps.

With a loud CRASH the casket breaks down the door.  
Bumping and clapping toward him.

The man screams and reaches for something, anything, but all he can find is a bottle of COUGH SYRUP!

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Left to right at the ribbon cutting of the new Caprock Canyons Visitor Center are Deanna Oberheu, park superintendent; Clyde Dudley, Mayor of Quitaque and park interpreter, Mary Stark Henry, Hon. William P. Smith 110th District Judge; Warren Chisum State Representative, Mark Bivins Texas Parks and Wildlife commissioner. Photo by Bryan Frazier, TPWD.

### Caprock Canyons State Park Celebrates 25 Years, New Visitor Center

By Bryan Frazier, Texas State Parks, TPWD  
 QUITAQUE, TX—Hundreds of patrons gathered under a bright sun and endured gusty winds to celebrate the grand opening of the long-awaited visitor center and 25th anniversary of Caprock Canyons State Park on Saturday.

Visitors enjoyed a full day of events in honor of the new center, including park tours, children's activities, Dutch oven cooking demonstrations, a bison burger lunch and more. The day's highlight featured a ceremonial ribbon cutting to officially open the 4,400-square-foot facility located just inside the park's entrance.

"You know this is one of the largest parks that we have in the state, and it has never really gotten the publicity it deserves. But to now have this new visitor center, to go along with all of the camping, hiking trails and other things to do here, we think folks will start to see all of what we have to offer," said State Representative Warren Chisum. "This is a park that's been underutilized in the past, and that's a shame because there are more stars in the sky here than just about anywhere else. This visitor center will go a long way in helping us make people more aware of this great park."

The new visitor center complex houses a registration area for park visitors, a state park store, offices for staff, a pavilion, 24-hour restrooms and will eventually display interpretive exhibits which tell the park's unique and historic story.

In the foyer of the center, a plaque and large photo are also dedicated to O.R. Stark, Jr., who was instrumental in establishing this land north of Quitaque, TX, as a state park. He founded the park's friend's group, Caprock Partners Foundation, and served as its president until his death in 2000.

"I just think the visitor center was a long time in coming, and now absolutely worth the wait," said State Parks Director Walt Dabney. "It will be a focal place to explain the story of the Southern Plains Bison, and the history of the Caprock country. The new center is bringing this park forward from a park that was partially online, to an up-to-date park ready to accommodate a lot of visitors as a first-class destination."

"It is very satisfying for me, personally, to see this center built because it's been in the works since I've been at the park," said Caprock Canyons State Park Superintendent Deanna Oberheu. "The new center is very significant, especially to our local community; it's a small, rural community and it receives a lot of its income from tourism. And this park is the most significant destination in the area."



Members of the Frontier Regiment of the 4th Cavalry made a special presentation salute during the ribbon cutting ceremonies.

### Potential For Wildfires Increases Throughout Area

AMARILLO – The grass is high and drying down, the winds are blowing, and unusual lightning storms are taking place – conditions are right and all it will take is a spark to set off a repeat of the 2006 wildfire season, Texas Cooperative Extension officials say.

"It's setting up to be that kind of year again," said Dr. Wayne Hanselka, professor and Extension range specialist in Corpus Christi. "We've had so much rain, a lot of moisture, and have grown a lot of grass."

He said due to drought conditions, some areas don't have that many cows grazing, which has left a lot of dry grass or fuel standing in pastures.

"If it turns off dry or with an early frost, it is setting us up to have another fire season like we had in 2006 and 2007," Hanselka said.

Dr. Ted McCollum, Extension beef cattle specialist in Amarillo, agreed.

"It might be time for ranchers to make sure their fire-suppression equipment is working and the tanks are full of water," McCollum said.

Already, he said, the Panhandle and South Plains area have seen a number of fires touched off by lightning this fall, which is a little unusual. A fire on Oct. 18 burned more than 20,000 acres of grassland in Deaf Smith County.

Andy Vestal, Extension agriculture education specialist, said major fires were reported in Hall, McCulloch and Llano counties on Oct. 18 to the State Operation Center of the Governor's Division of Emergency Management. All were contained by local responders.

"I would say West Texas will be one of the earlier hot spots because of the wind velocity there," Vestal said. "The wind dries things out a lot faster."

"One of our big issues around here is CRP (Conservation Reserve Program) fields that aren't grazed," McCollum said. "They have a lot of biomass built up on them. Once one of them gets torched off, you have problems."

The National Weather Service has issued a fire weather watch for several areas of Texas on Oct. 20 because temperatures are expected to climb back into the upper 80s and afternoon humidity is expected to drop.

This combination of conditions has led to increased fire weather concerns across Oklahoma and portions of western North Texas, as well as eastern New Mexico and across the Texas Panhandle, according to weather service reports.

Both McCollum and Hanselka said prevention is the best measure for homeowners and ranchers to consider at this time.

The Texas Forest Service advises wildfires are not just a problem for rural homeowners and ranchers, adding that during the last two years, 85 percent of the wildfires in Texas have occurred within two miles of a community.



Area volunteer fire departments from Turkey, Quitaque, Silverton, Matador, Memphis and Estelline worked together last Thursday as they extinguished a grass fire north of Turkey that threatened Tink Lane's home. With high winds and dry conditions a very serious accident was diverted by these brave firefighters.

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