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Howe, Texas
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June 19, 2013

HHS
Valedictorian
Salutatorian



Tom Bean
Scholarship
Winner





Grayson College hosts Viking Camp

Two days of fun and interactive sessions in the Grayson College Viking Camp will help area high school students explore and plan their academic futures. Focusing on leadership, careers and community service, the free summer day camp meets June 18-19 from 8:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. on the college's Main Campus in Denison.

"Road Map to the Future" is the theme for the free camp, which is open to students entering grades 9 through 12. Sessions focus on helping participants map out their futures, develop leadership skills and make connections with a diverse group of peers.

Camp activities are led by a dynamic group of GC staff and students as well as outstanding community leaders, all of whom provide support and mentoring as positive role models. The camp includes team-building activities, challenging workshops, and educational and professional skills development.

"Viking Camp participants are exposed to a broad range of information in education, career fields, leadership opportunities, community service and life skills," said Sandra Sibrian, Viking Camp director. "Through creative, challenging and interactive activities, the students will explore and plan their academic futures."

The event is free to participants and includes a T-shirt, breakfast and lunch both days. Registration is limited to 75 students. Registration deadline is June 14. For more information or to register online, interested students should visit www.grayson.edu and click on Grayson College Viking Camp, call 903-463-8743, email sibrians@grayson.edu, or visit www.facebook.com/grayson.recruiting.



Dot's

D-A-S-H-E-S



By Dorothy N. Fowler

My eight-year-old, second grade great grandson got put into detention at his school earlier this week for singing an "inappropriate song." Some girls in his class turned him in for singing one of the songs -- and there are several -- that go with a line dance that seems to be the rage in Southeast Asia and the United States. The dance is called "Gangnam Stomp," and it looks a lot like exercise routines set to music with a heavy beat.

Google is a wonderful tool. Typing in gangnam stomp instantly brought up not only text about the dance, but also a plethora of YouTube episodes and still later, a plethora of song lyrics, some with performances by singers accompanied by rock bands of various abilities.

Because my research time was limited, I didn't find the song that contained the words that got my great grandson busted. However, my daughter tells me that the original is sung by "a little fat Korean man that you would never think would be a superstar, but is," and that the dance is so popular that Bible study groups are dancing it, set to churchy words.

My understanding is that the objectionable words are (drum roll, please) "sexy lady." I suppose that "lady" is all right, but "sexy" is not.

I am reminded of the time when my daughter was about the same age as her grandson -- my great grandson -- when the neighbors forbade their children to play with her because she told them her dog, a Dachsund named Mickey, was "pregnant." Their mother told my daughter that she should always say, "PG" instead of "pregnant." Or "expecting" instead of "pregnant" or "in a family way" instead of "pregnant."

If the neighbor had been present when my daughter delivered this information to me, she might have tried to have me arrested for using any number of four letter Anglo Saxon words describing the general state of her intelligence.

As far as my great grandson is concerned, after I got through laughing, I told him that he must learn to play the school game. He may have some difficulty doing that because just last week he read an article in Smithsonian magazine about the difficulty of feeding zoo animals and when he finished that article started on another. The problem is that he is so sincerely interested in animals, music, Pokemon, politics, and a host of other things that he may not recognize times when playing the school game is necessary.

After all, he has already been reprimanded this year for "thinking." That reprimand came when his teacher thought he was cheating because he was trying to decide how best to show his work on a math problem. "But I wasn't cheating. I was just thinking," he protested. "But she thought I was cheating."

"What lesson did you learn from this episode?" I asked him.

"To stop thinking so much," he answered.

After I got through laughing, I told him not to be so obvious about "thinking," to try to keep it secret.

But I don't think he can. He can describe symbiosis and give examples, talk about alternative measures to save endangered species, discuss the pros and cons of cloning long extinct species, differentiating between the value of recreating prairie chickens and the dangers of recreating Tyrannosaurus rex. He can create a power point presentation and explain it, is learning to play the piano, and has a well developed social conscience.

It is not likely that he will be the valedictorian of his graduating class. It is also not likely that he will care, because, like me, he is a basic non-competitor. He already hears and is marching to a different drummer and I hope his school experience does not drown out the beat he hears.



Howe's That Recipe



by Lana Rideout

You may say: but God says:

It's impossible, All things are possible. (Luke 18:27)

I'm too tired, I will give you rest. (Matthew 11:28-30)

Nobody really loves me, I love you. (John 3:16 & John 3:34)

I can't go on, My grace is sufficient. (2 Corinthians 12:9 & Psalms 91:15)

I can't figure things out, I will direct your steps. (Proverbs 3:5-6)

I can't do it, You can do all things. (Philippians 4:13)

I'm not able, I am able. (2 Corinthians 9:8)

It's not worth it, It will be worth it. (Romans 8:28)

I can't forgive myself, I forgive you. (1 John 1:9)

I can't manage, I will supply all your need. (Philippians 4:19)

I'm afraid, I have not given you a spirit of fear. (2 Timothy 1:7)

I'm always worried and frustrated, Cast all your cares on ME. (1 Peter 5:7)

I'm not smart enough, I will give you wisdom. (1 Corinthians 1:30)

I feel all alone, I will never leave you or forsake you. (Hebrews 13:5)

because I care.

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Baked Creamed Spinach

1/4 cup butter or margarine
3/4 cup chopped onion
1/4 cup flour
Salt to taste
1/8 teaspoon pepper
2 cups milk
3 eggs
Tabasco
4 (10-ounce) packages frozen chopped spinach, thawed and drained

In a saucepan over medium heat, cook onion in butter until tender (about 5 minutes). Stir in flour, salt and pepper until blended. Gradually stir in milk. Cook, stirring constantly, until sauce is thickened. In a small bowl, beat eggs slightly with fork.

Add Tabasco to taste. Slowly pour egg mixture into cream sauce, stirring rapidly to prevent lumping. Cook, stirring constantly, until mixture is thickened. Do not boil. Add spinach. Stir until blended. Pour mixture into a 9 x 13 pan. Bake at 350 degrees for 40 minutes or until firm in the center. Cut into servings.

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HHS Valedictorian Salutatorian

Howe High School held its senior awards assembly on Wednesday, May 22. Kristen Ross was named Valedictorian and Hannah Debner Salutatorian. Kristen is the daughter of Michael and Cristina Ross. During high school she participated in band, Student Council, National Honor Society, UIL academics, track, cross country and tennis. She plans to attend the University of Texas and major in biology.

Debner is the daughter of Tom and Heidi Debner. Hannah participated in Student Council, National Honor Society, Spanish Club, Howe FFA, District 6 FFA, Fellowship of Christian Athletes, and UIL Academics. She also was involved in basketball, volleyball and tennis, Howe 4-H, 4-H Hoppers Club, 4-H Shooting Sports Club and the Grayson County Plant Identification Team. Outside the school, Hannah is a St. Stephens' Episcopal Church member and participates in the First United Methodist Church of Van Alstyne youth group. She plans to attend Texas A&M University and major in Nutritional Sciences and become a clinical nutritionist.

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First Grade: Brayden Bahr, Jacob Campbell, Caden Garner, Carter Layton, Lucas Mitchell, Zeb Montgomery, Sandra Nitchman, Autumn Owens, Jake Snodgrass, Gage Troxtell, Riley Troxtell, Ryleigh Craven, Madilynn Douglas, Clayton Duree, Dax Foster, Jaycie Grisham, Emma Hitesman, Morghan Lamb, Zadrrian Morris, Jonathan Smith, Isaac Vidales, Cody Adams, Kelcey Ireland, Jacob Ortega, Haley Richardson, Noah Riley, Jonathan Sanderson, Payton Stapleton, Courtney White, Jace Martin, Kendall Griffin, Alex Jones, Mikaylah Komorowski, Brooklyn McCaleb, Kolin Murphy, Jenna Roper, Emery Snapp, Mahlon Walker

Second Grade: Kaylyn Bryant, Mackenzie Bryant, Abby Earnhart, Henry Gill, Matthew Hayes, Trey Phillips, Keira Robertson, Jordan Brunner, Bryan Crees, Danielle Hargrove, Tate Harvey, Korben Kemp, Jacob McGill, Jana Nitchman, Taylor Reynolds, Teagan Stubblefield, Grace Morrison, Yair Ayala, Ayden Burris, Carson Daniels, Jentrie Doty, Ryan Hough, Audie Martin, Noah Miller, Ethan Strunc, Stone Trevino, Korie Bouse, Jagggar Courtney, Ethan Duer, Austin Haley, Jalie Hill, Donna Mendoza, Emma Sutherland, Dakota Tinker

Third Grade: Luke Catching, Niko Longoria, Avery Snapp, Kailyn Ireland, Jordan Sanderson, Ben Speed, Trinity Williams

Fourth Grade: Grace Brennan, Sierra Copeland, Kriston Harris, Reese Smiley, Austin Thurman, Holly Cavender, Seth Key, Grace Lankford, Mason Moreau, Brooke Robinson, Camryn Adams, Hannah Dwyer, Jake Fabacher, Tatum Hartsfield, Courtney Hopper, David Huerta, Jackson Adkins, Alex Blount, Leah Butcher, Katie Grogan, Lizzy Robertson

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Kindergarten: Aviana Acevedo, William Bik, Hali Howard, Luke Miller, Dallas Neyland, Presley Quintero, Fernando Rangel, Wyatt Renfro, Beau Stephens, Triston Williams, Isaiah Jaresh, Andrew Crane, Shelby Gard, Logan Reese, Gavin Rodgers, Travis Watson, Hayden Adkins, Tristan Chaney, Nathan Hernandez, Presley Shockey, Braden Ulmer, Alizabeth Banda, Ava Hodge, McKinzy McCollum

First Grade: Camryn Boatman, Ainsley Denham, Shianne Freeman-Williams, Anthony Gardner, Kayley Laubhan, Jesse Portman, Matalee Stewart, Ethan Thompson, Mary Burris, Kimberly Gonzalez, Jaeden Howard, Cooper Jones, Gracie Max, Jade Neyland, Nita Olivarez, Makayla Smith, Ashton Trevino, Casie Adams, Dakota Fetzer, Jayde Harris, Ryleigh Jenkins, Cheyenne Matthews, Kolton Mitchell, Logan Smith, Catelyn Armstrong, Britton Burt, Garrett Gibbs, Lacy Hymel, Lexi Kall, Cassie Morrison, Kade Murphy, Railyn Murphy, Cameron Pugh

Second Grade: Caleb Fetzer, Daniel Gonzalez, James Richardson, DeMarcus Smith, Antonio Tapia, Jeslie Toral, Christina Harper, Edith Hernandez, Christian Moody, Madison Morrow, Haley Spinks, Matthew Bearden, Kelly Caballero, Jesus Garcia, Alex Huerta, Landon Money, Landon Oswalt, Kolby Smith, Bettye Delavan, Andra Jones, Colton Little, Samantha Lowder, Sergio Rico, Linda Segura, Faith Stallings, Stone Trevino

Third Grade: Caytie Coco, John Griffin, Ricky Ramirez, Eli Wilson, Jessica Bastida, Kevin Bateman, Stanley Bik, Luis Gonzalez, Emma Harvey, Zoey Moore, Ramie Mosse, Brooke Potter, Kaleb Strong, Clayton White, Trinity Williams, Harley Brockelman, Drew Cowin, Kaitlyn Fuhr, Paige Gifford, Katie Parker, Caleb Wahrmond, Abby Alvarez, Cierra Brussow, Ethan Conrad, Zak DeFrange, Will Fleming, Alyssa Sharp, Shalimar Terry, Ethan Tindell

Fourth Grade: Ava Bader, Brett Burnett, Kayle Chapman, Cameron Lankford, Korbyn Thompson, Kamryn Gardner, Kameron Hopper, Rebecca Reinecke, Rene Spinks, Karrah Gardner, Luke Jackson, Kaden Raborn, Ethan Sanders, Reagan Troxtell, Noah Campbell, Erin Catching, Alex Hernandez, Kaytee Roper, Gage Streetman

Accelerated Reader, 6th Six Weeks

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Fourth Grade: Jackson Adkins, Lizzy Robertson, Bianca Rodriguez, Korbyn Thompson, Grace Brennan, Sierra Copeland, Kamryn Gardner, Kriston Harris, Rebecca Reinecke, Reese Smiley, Holly Cavender, Karrah Gardner, Noah Campbell, Jake Fabacher, Alex Hernandez, David Huerta



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Scholarship Recipient

Devin Lutringer is the son of Daniel and Stacy Lutringer. He has been awarded the Fred and Mae Guilloud Scholarship through Grayson College Foundation in the amount of \$2295.

Devin has been a member of the National Honor Society for one year; he received the English III award his junior year. He was a member of the Tomcat Football Team for four years and his senior year received recognition for All District Honorable Mention for Corner Back. Devin also played basketball and ran track for Tom Bean. He played baseball for four years. Devin received the Heart Award and was awarded All District Utility Player of the year for baseball his senior year.

Outside of school, Devin volunteers his time to help brain injury survivors at the Circle of Friends camp sponsored by the Texas District Pilot Club. After graduation, Devin plans to attend Grayson College and transfer to a university to pursue a degree in computer engineering.



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(In Acrostic poems, the first letters of each line are aligned vertically to form a word.)

Fathers Day Acrostic

Fathers are fun - and serious too!
And you learn more from them than you do at school.
Think of all the good times you've had.
How would it be without your dad?
Everything would be harder with no mentor for growth.
Reflect on the man who loves you the most.
Soon will come the day for you to fill his shoes.

Do you think your dad would accept an excuse?
Always try your best, that's what he would say.
Yes, think of your dad on this Fathers Day!

By Don Mathis

'Sleep with my Fathers'

By Robert Morrison

On turning 60, George Washington wrote in letters to friends: "The time is not far distant when I must sleep with my Fathers." I was a history student reading those words. My professors told me that Washington lacked Thomas Jefferson's "peculiar felicity of expression." Even though I was studying at Mr. Jefferson's university, I found it hard not to feel the beauty of Washington's words.

"Sleeping with my Fathers" was Washington's poetic way of describing his own impending death. I read them rather more literally. They reminded me of my own father coming home day after day from his carpenter's job. He would sit with me in our family's TV room and tell me wonderful stories of his seagoing days. He had sailed to 47 countries before, during, and after World War II and he was a fount of knowledge about the wider world.

Sometimes, our story hour would turn into wrestling on the TV room floor. Pop would then tell me about the need to defend myself from neighborhood bullies and teach me some self-defense moves.

Not infrequently, we would fall asleep on that floor. We would only awaken when my mother would come in and yell, "Les, take a bath and come to supper." My father always smelled of sweat and sawdust. It was an honest, sweet scent.

Pop was proud of his work. He could drive nails faster and more accurately than any man I've ever known. And he often worked high atop construction sites, as sure-footed as a Mohawk. His hammer would tap out a steady rhythm: "pop, POP, pop." It was rare that a nail required more than three swings of his hammer.

Pop would only intervene in coming-of-age fights if the toughs ganged up on me, or if one of them threatened me with a knife. Then, he would march over to the gang leader's house and tell his old man to come out. Pop would tell that father that if his son used a weapon or ganged up, he would "knock his block off." He never had to back up his words with his fists. In those happy days, even the toughs had fathers in the home.

It's painful for me to read every weekend the reports of murders in our inner cities. Emergency Rooms in our major cities see too much of the "rod and gun club" casualties. More than two-thirds of the teen murderers in our prisons are fatherless young men.

Liberal politicians and press lords focus on race, poverty, education, or other indicators, the so-called "root causes" of urban homicides. They want to target more federal programs to those mean streets. As if those streets don't have targets enough.

Rarely do the pols and pundits acknowledge fatherlessness. My blue-collar neighborhood was no garden. I often had to fight. But there was a limit to the violence. Fathers like mine enforced that limit.

There's another factor to consider when dealing with the sources of violence: religion. In their now classic study, (<http://www.nber.org/papers/w1656>) "Who Escapes? The Relation of Church-Going and Other Background Factors to the Socio-Economic Performance of Black Male Youths from Inner-City Poverty Tracts," Richard B. Freeman and Harry J. Holzer showed how some young men avoided entrapment in a host of destructive behaviors and attitudes. Church-going was then seen (1985) as a protection for vulnerable youth. The work of Family Research Council's Marriage and Religion Research Institute (marri.org) powerfully reinforces the Freeman and Holzer's conclusions.

When I first read those words of George Washington, that sweet reference to sleeping with his Fathers, my professors did not point out that those words were taken straight from Scripture. "So David slept with his Fathers and was buried in the City of David" (1 Kings 2:10, KJV). Washington's readers would instantly have recognized the reference. For some years, it eluded me. Did that Bible reference also escape my learned teachers?

We are coming to the point - and may already have passed it - when Americans will no longer recognize what it means to sleep, or to wake, with our fathers. As Washington Post columnist Kathleen Parker acerbically writes, Father may be the new F-word. (http://articles.washingtonpost.com/2013-05-31/opinions/39653946_1_men-single-mother-households)

The French understand what is at issue in the new laws abolishing mother and father in their legal code. "Everyone needs the love of a mother and a father," said a 10-year-old marcher in one of their recent, massive Paris street demonstrations. As if he had uttered an obscenity, the YouTube video of the boy's comments has since been removed.

Now that I have passed that meridian that George Washington called "the grand climacteric," 60 years, I can affirm his words. I can appreciate what it means to sleep with our Fathers. I'm grateful for my own father, and for our country's Founding Father. In speaking thus from Scripture, Washington was a model father and protector, a good and wise Grounding Father.

Robert Morrison is a senior fellow at the Family Research Council.

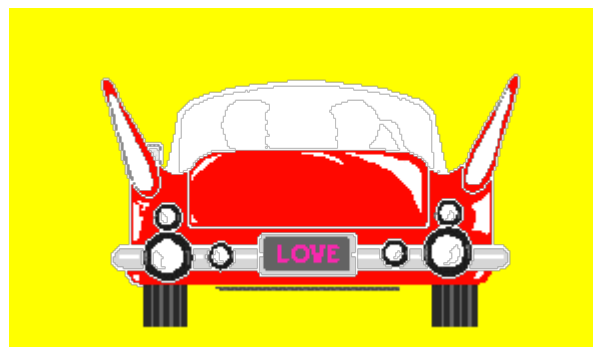
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Van Alstyne Car Show

Annual Benefit Van Alstyne Library Car Show, Saturday, July 6, 2013.
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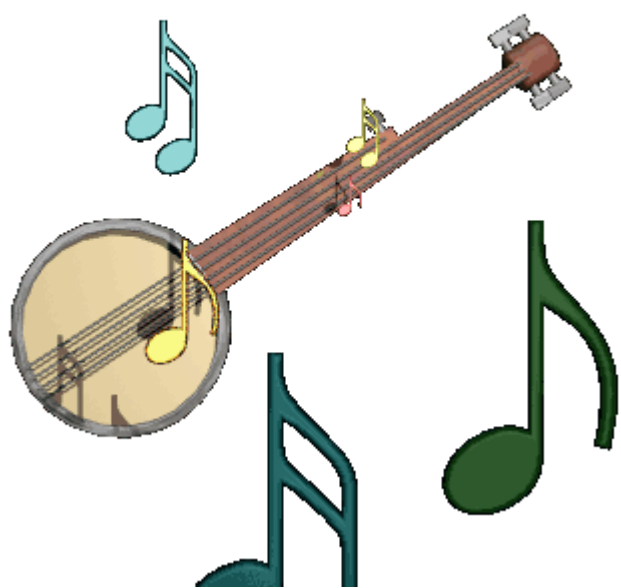


Chrystal Opry House Gospel Event

On Saturday night, June 15th, the Melody Ranch Gospel Band will perform. Members of the band are Al Guinn, guitar and vocals, Tom Hackney, guitar and vocals, George Kirby, fiddle, Judy Ziola, piano and vocals, Dale Anderson, bass and vocals, Archie Shearer, lead guitar and vocals, Pat Shearer, vocals, and Bill Hayes, guitar and vocals.

Doors open at 6 pm and the program will begin at 7 pm. Admission for this program is \$7. Children under 12 are admitted free with an adult. A concession area with brisket sandwiches, hot dogs, soda, coffee, water, candy and popcorn is available.

The Chrystal Opry House is located one and a half miles west of Tom Bean (or 6 miles east of Howe) on FM 902 and a half mile south on White Mound Road. No alcohol is permitted and no smoking is allowed inside the building. Contact Bill Hayes (903-546-6893) for more information.



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**From Top to
Botton:
Darrah Dunn as
“Man in Chair”,
Harris Tooley as
“Adolpho”,
and Lynda Lewis as
“The Chaperone”.**

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What: “Come back in time to the decadent roaring twenties, where the champagne flowed and all the world was a party, for the wealthy anyway” quips the narrator and main character, also known as “Man in Chair” of “The Drowsy Chaperone”; opening June 7th at the Historic Finley Theater in Sherman.

The play follows the story of a musical theatre aficionado who is held up in his NYC loft apartment; on this certain day, he feels ‘blue’ and gets the urge to play his favorite musical theater record from the twenties for the live captive audience, “The Drowsy Chaperone”. Magically, the play comes to life in the man’s apartment; and audience gets front row seats to the story of the famous Janet Van De Graff, and her inner struggle to end a successful theater career for true love. Filled with humor, tap dancing, and spectacular singing, the Sherman Community Players’ annual summer musical is promising to be a very hilarious romp through the history of Broadway.

When: Opening June 7th, 2013 at 8pm.

Playing: June 7, 8, 9, 13, 14, 15, 16, 20, 21, 22, 23, 27, 28, 29, 30

Times: Evening Performances begin at 8pm, Sunday Matinees at 2pm.

Where: The Historic Finley Theater in Sherman, TX; 500 N. Elm Street.

Box Office: Opens June 7th and 8th for Main stage Season Members at 9am. Tickets for the General Public go on sale beginning June 9th at 10am. The Box office is located at 313 W. Mulberry St, Sherman TX, 75090. Box office phone: 903-892-8818. Visit scptheater.org for more details.

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“Surviving the Summer with the Kids”

Joyce White, Family and Consumer Sciences agent for the Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service in Grayson County, will share ideas for activities you can do this summer with the kids and grandkids.

This program is about doing things with the youth not for the youth, helping them to learn about healthy snacks and activities and helping you at the same time. This is the monthly Partners in Education, P.I.E. program on Tuesday, June 18th in the Texoma Council of Governments building, Eisenhower Room. Joyce has been in Grayson County for 13 years serving first as the 4-H Agent and now as both the Family and Consumer Sciences agent and the 4-H Coordinator. She was also a county extension agent in Oklahoma for five years before moving to Texas.

Internal Medicine - Internal medicine is the branch of medicine that deals with treating the whole patient. An internal medicine physician, also called an internist, can treat many illnesses and conditions, and is skilled in treating a patient who has several illnesses or disorders at the same time. This internist, who can be a primary care physician, emphasizes disease prevention and wellness, but can treat problems of the eyes, ears, skin, nervous system and reproductive organs, along with mental health or substance abuse issues.

The internal medicine physician can also treat cancer or diseases of the heart, blood, kidneys, joints, and digestive, respiratory and vascular systems, while concentrating on the wellness of the patient as a whole.

“Surviving the Summer with the Kids” will be Tuesday June 18 at 12 noon and will end by 1 pm. It will be held in the Eisenhower room on the first floor of the Texoma Council of Governments building at 1117 Gallagher Road in Sherman.

Complimentary pie and coffee will be served at the seminar and you are welcome to bring a “brown bag” lunch. P.I.E. programs are held the 3rd Tuesday of each month. The series is free and offered as a public service to anyone interested. For more information call either Joyce White from the Texas A&M AgriLIFE Extension Service at 903-813-4203, Karissa or Sherry from Home Hospice of Grayson County, 903-868-9315, Judy Conner from TCOG at 903-813-3506 or Cheryl Brandon of Texas Health Presbyterian Hospital - WNJ at 903-813-8747 if you have questions.

The Area Agency on Aging - Texoma Council of Governments, Home Hospice of Grayson County, Texas Health Presbyterian Hospital - WNJ, and the Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service are delighted to provide this series free to the public. This collaborative effort was designed to bring health and wellness educational programs to our community. If you require transportation, remember that TAPS is only a telephone call away, but you do have to call at least the day before the program.

Keep Your Kids Busy Learning this Summer with Kids.gov

It's been happening for generations. Within days of the start of summer break, kids begin complaining “I'm bored!” But this generation of kids has something the others didn't: the free, safe and fun online world of Kids.gov [<http://kids.gov>].

Kids.gov is the government's official web portal for kids, full of activities for kindergarteners through 8th graders and resources for parents and teachers. It's a great way to keep kids engaged and learning between school years. Check out these ideas to battle boredom this summer:

“Just one more game!” You won't mind your kids spending time playing games online when they're learning about math, science, history and more. In Kids.gov's Play Games section [<http://kids.usa.gov/play-games/index.shtml>], they can enjoy adventures like solving secret codes from the National Security Agency, working on word puzzles about the earth from NASA, and experiencing the challenges of being a Peace Corps volunteer.

“Can I watch a video?” They may have memorized the plots of all of the videos they own, but Kids.gov's Videos section [<http://kids.usa.gov/teens-home/watch-videos/index.shtml>] has lots of new things for your kids to watch. They can learn about the mysteries of tornadoes with a storm chaser or find out how to handle bullies from StopBullying.gov. And in the series of cool career videos produced by Kids.gov, they can learn about archaeology, meet an albino alligator and her keeper at the National Aquarium, and see how money is made.

“Sorry about getting magic marker on the wall.” Sometimes a kid's urge to be creative can be overwhelming. Give it a little direction with art projects from Kids.gov [<http://kids.usa.gov/play-games/art/index.shtml>], including coloring pages, digital photography projects, and a special collection of interactive painting, collage making and animation projects from the National Gallery of Art's NGAkids Art Zone.

“Go out and play!” When your kids are ready for a break from the computer, go with them. Kids.gov's Exercise, Fitness and Nutrition section [<http://kids.usa.gov/grown-ups/for-parents/exercise-fitness-nutrition/index.shtml>] for parents is full of ideas to keep your family in shape, like LetsMove.gov's suggestions for working activity into your kids' daily routine, and Recreation.gov's collection of family friendly ideas for exploring America's beaches, mountains, cities and everything in between.

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Proper nutrition and hydration for student athletes will be discussed at the Sports Nutrition Conference July 18 in Corpus Christi. Shown is Tristyn Allen of Sealy in the triple jump event at a state track meet. (Photo courtesy of Ramona Ferguson)

Sports Nutrition Conference slated July 18 in Corpus Christi

Cowboys, Astros dieticians to speak

CORPUS CHRISTI -- Sports dieticians for the Dallas Cowboys and Houston Astros will be among the lineup of speakers addressing coaches and other professionals who influence student athletes at the Sports Nutrition Conference July 18 in Corpus Christi.

The conference, presented by the Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service, will be held from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Holiday Inn Corpus Christi - Emerald Beach, 1102 South Shoreline Drive.

The speakers include Roberta Anding, sports dietician for the Houston Texans, Houston Astros and the Rice Owls, and Amy Goodson, sports dietician for the Dallas Cowboys, Texas Rangers and the Ben Hogan Sports Medicine Center.

“With so many of our youth participating in a variety of competitive sports activities, it’s important to make sure they are able to make sound nutrition and hydration decisions that will affect not only their performance, but their overall health and well-being,” said Dr. Elaine Fries, AgriLife Extension regional program director for family and consumer sciences in Corpus Christi.

Anding’s talk is titled, “Dietary supplements: Keeping your athletes clean, safe and legal; Pre- and post-game day nutrition.” Goodson’s talk is “Sports nutrition and the competitive edge.”

Other speakers and their topics include:

*Gloria Fernandez-VanZante, registered dietician, the relevance of nutrition in sports today.

*Dr. Jay Dawes, assistant professor, Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi department of kinesiology, sports nutrition: the coaches’ role.

*Dr. Don Melrose, assistant professor, Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi’s department of kinesiology, steroids and the Internet.

*Shelby Killion, registered dietician, eating out and shopping for nutrition.

A closing panel of speakers will include Darrell Andrus, athletic director and head coach at Flour Bluff High School.

The conference is sponsored by Prairie View A&M University’s Cooperative Extension Program, Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi’s department of kinesiology and the Gatorade Sports Science Institute.

The fee prior to the early registration deadline June 17 is \$60 for educators and \$40 for students. Late registration is \$70 for educators and \$50 for students.

Registration and reservation information can be found at online at <http://agrilife.org/coastalbend/2013-sports-nutrition-conference/>

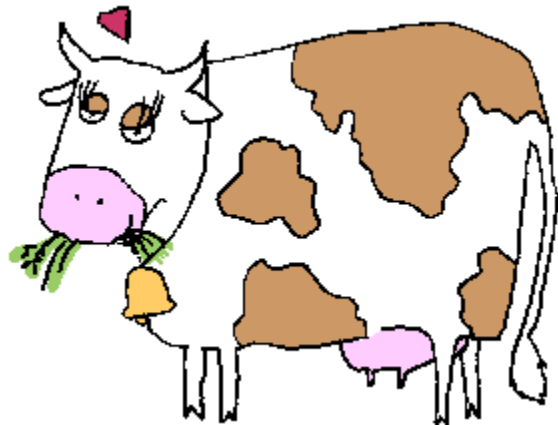
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Celebrating National Dairy Month

By Jessica Domel

Grab a glass of milk, a pint of Blue Bell or a wedge of cheese because it's time to celebrate National Dairy Month!

There are so many things to love that involve dairy products.

If it weren't for milk, we wouldn't have creamy macaroni and cheese, banana splits, cheesecakes or pizza. Imagine a world without pizza. Or ice cream.

I don't know how I would have survived college without them.

Milk helps to build strong bones and teeth, and it helps to reduce a person's risk of bone disease and fractures.

According to the Got Milk? campaign, a protein naturally occurring in milk can also improve your quality of sleep and can help you maintain healthy hair, skin and nails.

Who wouldn't love more restful sleep, sleek, shiny hair and strong bones?

And don't forget, there's always the added benefit of being able to drink chocolate milk or indulge in a cool vanilla shake on a hot summer day.

Where would with be without the dairy industry?

In a brittle-boned, dull-haired, ice cream-less place. And no one wants that. Right?

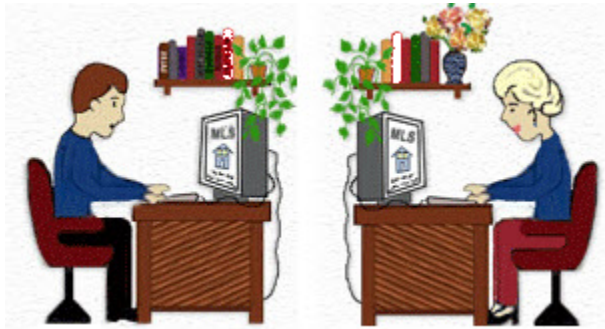
So let's celebrate National Dairy Month the best way we know how—with dairy! Enjoy!

Jessica Domel

Field Editor

Texas Farm Bureau

As a farmer's daughter and granddaughter, I believe life is best experienced on the farm. I believe Texas agriculture is the backbone of our economy, and we should be proud to show our Texas roots.



Grayson College's SBDC offers free social media assistance

Well-designed websites and Facebook business pages often result in dramatic increases in sales for small businesses. Launching those pages can seem daunting, however. The Small Business Development Center (SBDC) at Grayson College is offering free assistance to entrepreneurs and small business owners who need help with a business website or a Facebook business page.

"SBDC assistance is customized to meet the needs of each individual client," said Dr. Karen Stidham, director of the GC center. "Our staff of certified business advisors, in addition to well-qualified consultants, can assist our clients with social media marketing and the benefit to their businesses can be substantial."

Social media marketing isn't the only help the Small Business Development Center can offer, however. Assistance is available in the areas of accounting, securing business financing, exploring contracting opportunities and protecting intellectual property. SBDC also can arrange for clients to work with a Quickbooks Pro Advisor to set up and maintain a business recordkeeping system.

Funded by the Small Business Administration, the State of Texas and Grayson College, the Small Business Development Center at GC is part of America's SBDC network that helps entrepreneurs establish businesses, create jobs and increase sales. For more information about the free services offered by the Grayson center, contact the office at 903-463-8787, email jeffcoatsh@grayson.edu to arrange an appointment, or visit the SBDC website at www.GraysonSBDC.org.

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Immigration reform critical for Texas and the nation

By Kenneth Dierschke

Texas Farm Bureau President

Immigration is the poster case for the dysfunction that grips our federal government. A former Texas governor said not long ago that “family values don’t stop at the Rio Grande,” and that as long as “moms and dads in Mexico couldn’t feed their children in their own country,” they would come to the U.S. It will take decisive action to stop the flow of illegal immigration and decisive action is something that we can’t seem to manage.

Here in Texas we have more at stake than a lot of other places. It’s true that we have a lot of labor-intensive agriculture and we need workers. It’s also true that Texas shares more than 1,200 miles of international border with Mexico. We have a lot of incentive to control our southern border.

It is critical that we devise a legal status for the 12 million or so undocumented workers that are presently in the United States and working. In my opinion, the combination of a legal status for those here, an electronic verification system, and a worker visa program for the future will relieve the pressure that causes our current porous border. That’s why I like the proposals in the U.S. Senate. The bill they are writing recognizes that it will be impossible to stem the flow of undocumented workers unless we deal with the incentives that lure them here. That’s border security.

Part of agriculture needs labor. We are price takers, meaning that we must take the market’s prevailing price. We cannot raise our prices to compete with construction, food service or other industries. We seek good, hard-working and reliable labor, a relationship with willing employers and willing workers. The Senate immigration reform plan is a start to getting us there.



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Psalm 11:1-7 (KJV)

1 In the LORD put I my trust: how say ye to my soul, Flee as a bird to your mountain?

2 For, lo, the wicked bend *their* bow, they make ready their arrow upon the string, that they may privily shoot at the upright in heart.

3 If the foundations be destroyed, what can the righteous do?

4 The LORD *is* in his holy temple, the LORD'S throne *is* in heaven: his eyes behold, his eyelids try, the children of men.

5 The LORD trieth the righteous: but the wicked and him that loveth violence his soul hateth.

6 Upon the wicked he shall rain snares, fire and brimstone, and an horrible tempest: *this shall be* the portion of their cup.

7 For the righteous LORD loveth righteousness; his countenance doth behold the upright.

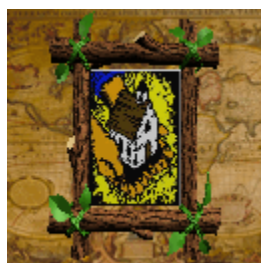
Tom Bean Church of Christ

The Tom Bean Church of Christ invites everyone to come and worship with us. Services begin each Sunday with Bible class for all ages at 9 am and worship at 10 am with congregational singing. The evening worship service begins at 6 pm. The Lord's Supper is given each Sunday. Wednesday, we have Bible classes for all ages beginning at 7 pm. The church is located at the corner of FM902 and FM2729 South in Tom Bean, TX.

We have radio programs each Sunday at 7:30 am on KFYN 1420AM and KFYZ 93.5FM. The lessons are brought by A.C. Quinn. Also there are two other programs; the North Side church of Christ is on at 8 am, and Leonard church of Christ is on at 8:30am both on KFYN 1420 AM.

The Gospel of Christ news letter can be found at <http://www.thegospelofchrist.com/newsletter>. Their television program comes on CBS at 7:30am.

"A Woman's Choice" a WEB video concerning a woman's pregnancy can be seen on www.PregnancyDecisions.org.



VBS information:

Church name: A Christian Fellowship
VBS Theme: You Gotta Move
Date and Time: July 22-26 @ 6:30-8:30 pm
Ages: kindergarten-5th grade
Address of church: 150 Fellowship Lane, Hwy 11 Luella
(I believe it's a Sherman address though)
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Shannon Jackson, minister,
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Arnold Baker, pastor

The Most Important Book

Toward the end of 2008 what was billed as the world's most expensive new book went on display at the New York Public Library. There are more expensive old books, but this is a new book produced by the Italian publisher Marilena Ferrari. It's cost: over \$100,000!

The book depicts the life and work of Michelangelo, including photographs of his drawings and sculptures, creations from the Sistine Chapel, and his personal poetry. It weighs 62 lbs, has a front cover of white marble, and is covered with red silk velvet. Its paper is from one of Italy's oldest paper mills – the mill where Picasso bought his art paper. Each book takes six months to make and comes with a 500-year warranty! As of December 2008, more than 20 of the books had been sold to buyers around the world.

These books are valuable because of the craft, quality of materials, and time that goes into their production. After all, the books don't contain Michelangelo's actual art, just photos of it! *

But there is ANOTHER book that is much more valuable...

The most important book ever printed – and the most valuable book – is the BIBLE, God's Word. What makes the Bible so valuable is the content of its message: the very words of God. It is a priceless treasure!

Christians at Thessalonica understood the value of this Book. Paul commended them, saying: "And we also thank God continually because, when you received the word of God, which you heard from us, you accepted it not as the word of men, but as it actually is, the word of God, which is at work in you who believe." – 1 Thess 2:13

Consider the words of an unknown author as he gave tribute to the Word of God:

This Book contains the mind of God, the state of man, the way of salvation, the doom of sinners, and the happiness of believers.

Its doctrines are holy, its precepts are binding, its histories are true, and its decisions immutable.

READ it to be wise, BELIEVE it to be safe, and PRACTICE it to be holy!

The Word of God reveals the state of man: we are sinners, and unless our situation is remedied, we are doomed to destruction (Rom 3:23; 6:23; Matt 7:13-14).

The Word of God reveals the Way of salvation: "For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life" (John 3:16). Jesus is the Way of salvation (John 14:6), for He paid the price for our sins by dying on the cross on our behalf (Eph 1:7; 1 Peter 1:18-19).

To access the Way of Salvation... the Word of God teaches us that we must place our faith and trust in Jesus (Acts 16:30-31), turn from our sins in repentance (Acts 17:30-31), confess Jesus before men (Romans 10:9-10), and be baptized (immersed) into Christ for the forgiveness of our sins (Acts 2:38). Then, as we walk in the light as He is in the light, then the blood of Jesus continues to cleanse us from all sin (1 John 1:7).

God's Word is THE most important Book! Read it to be wise, believe and obey it to be saved, and practice it to be holy.

Won't YOU?

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Texoma Enterprise is owned and operated by Dale and Lana Rideout. They have been doing this since 1978. The picture on the left is about 5 years old, with Dale shown as "Santa" Rideout at Christmas, 2009. The family shot on the right includes all our grandchildren, plus a couple of Step-grandchildren. It was taken at Elves Christmas Tree Farm. This farm opened to the public in 1990 when Jordan was only 2 months old and he went there with us. Every year since we have taken every grandchild with us. This year was our 20 year to take all our grandchildren to the farm.



Dale & Lana Rideout



Lana, Dominique, Rachel, Briana, Amber, "Santa" Jordan, Caleb, Chris



"Santa" Rideout



Grandkids singing at the Christmas Tree Farm 2007

Cornyn Introduces Amendment to Achieve Immigration Reform with RESULTS

Amendment Would Offer Real Triggers, Border Security, National Security and Criminal Justice

WASHINGTON - U.S. Senator John Cornyn (R-TX) unveiled the Requiring Enforcement, Security and safety while Upgrading Lawful Trade and travel Simultaneously (RESULTS) Amendment<<http://www.cornyn.senate.gov/public/index.cfm?p=ImmigrationReformBorderSecurity>> to the immigration bill today, and authored an Op-Ed<<http://www.dallasnews.com/opinion/latest-columns/20130604-john-cornyn-immigration-reform-with-results.ece>> on the amendment in the Dallas Morning News. A summary of the amendment is attached.

Immigration Reform with RESULTS

U.S. Sen. John Cornyn

The Dallas Morning News

June 5, 2013

<http://www.dallasnews.com/opinion/latest-columns/20130604-john-cornyn-immigration-reform-with-results.ece>

The perennial debate over our U.S. immigration policy is underway once again in Washington. Everyone agrees that our current system is broken, and yet many refuse to say what they would do to fix the problem. This is one of the reasons I applaud the so-called Gang of Eight for embracing the challenge and doing the hard work necessary to craft bipartisan legislation.

Their bill certainly does have some positives. For example, it would help America retain more immigrants with advanced STEM degrees, and it would also help unify families. On the enforcement side, it would establish mandatory E-Verify and increase penalties for hiring illegal immigrants. All of these reforms enjoy broad bipartisan support.

Unfortunately, the bill falls short of fixing our immigration system and protecting the interests of Texas. The biggest problem with the legislation is its failure to improve public safety and guarantee results on border security and national security.

For starters, its border-security triggers are talking points disguised as policy: Legalization of the estimated 11 million illegal immigrants in the United States would be activated by meaningless promises rather than concrete results. Haven't we heard enough of that from Washington?

Meanwhile, the bill would actually make it harder for us to prevent visa overstays, even though such overstays account for nearly half of all illegal immigrants living in the United States. It would also allow violent criminals to gain immediate legal status; it would prevent law enforcement from sharing information; and it would do absolutely nothing to bolster infrastructure and personnel at U.S. ports of entry along the southern border.

Unless these flaws are corrected, I will not be able to support the legislation. Therefore, I will introduce my RESULTS amendment that addresses the full range of concerns listed above. RESULTS stands for Requiring Enforcement Security (and safety while) Upgrading Lawful Trade (and travel) Simultaneously.

More specifically, the RESULTS amendment would require the Department of Homeland Security to achieve (1) full situational awareness of the entire U.S.-Mexico border and (2) complete operational control of every single border sector. It would define "operational control" as apprehension of at least 90 percent of all illegal border crossers.

It's been nearly three years since the Obama administration last had a credible and objective way to measure border security. In 2011, the Government Accountability Office reported that DHS had achieved operational control of less than 45 percent of the southern border. More recently, radar surveillance of a border sector in Arizona showed that, between October 2012 and January 2013, DHS failed to apprehend more than half of all illegal border crossers. A recent Council on Foreign Relations report showed similar security failures.

To mitigate the problem of visa overstays, the RESULTS amendment would strengthen biometric requirements rather than weaken them. It would also prevent violent criminals from acquiring legal status, and it would give law enforcement access to critical national-security and public-safety information. To expand commerce with our third-largest trading partner, it would provide the resources necessary to significantly reduce wait times at U.S.-Mexico border crossings. Finally, it would stiffen penalties on abusive human smugglers and transnational criminal organizations.

Strengthening border security, enhancing interior enforcement, speeding up legitimate trade and travel at our land ports of entry, and preventing rape and other human-rights abuses along the southern border: These are not alternatives to fixing our broken immigration system; they are complements to the kinds of sensible reforms that members of both parties have endorsed. Even as we debate the most controversial issues, we should be doing everything possible to promote the type of legal immigration that benefits our economy and our broader society.

Senator Cornyn serves on the Finance and Judiciary Committees. He serves as the top Republican on the Judiciary Committee's Immigration, Refugees and Border Security subcommittee. He served previously as Texas Attorney General, Texas Supreme Court Justice, and Bexar County District Judge.

Cornyn Responds to Senate Democrats' Rejection of Real Border Security Plan Before Seeing It

'If they oppose my plan, their claims of securing the border are nothing but lip service designed to manipulate the American people into supporting this flawed bill.'

WASHINGTON – U.S. Senator John Cornyn (R-TX) issued the following statement after Senate Democrats rejected<<http://washingtonexaminer.com/key-democrats-reject-gop-immigration-amendment/article/2531256>> his amendment that offers a chance for real results on border security before seeing it:

"It took less than 12 hours for Senate Democrats to reject a real border security plan. The American people don't believe that the so-called Gang of Eight's bill will ever deliver real results when it comes to border security and enforcement.

"The choice for Senate Democrats when I offer my amendment is very simple: if they are sincere about securing the border, here is their chance. If they oppose my plan, their claims of securing the border are nothing but lip service designed to manipulate the American people into supporting this flawed bill."

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Torture is Torture - It's Illegal and Wrong

By David P. Gushee and William S. Sessions

Twenty-five years ago, President Ronald Reagan vigorously championed U.S. ratification of the international Convention Against Torture, which he signed on April 18, 1988. Reagan acclaimed it as having marked a significant step in the development of international measures against torture and other inhuman treatment.

“Ratification of the Convention by the United States,” Reagan wrote, “will clearly express United States opposition to torture, an abhorrent practice unfortunately prevalent in the world today.” Little could he have known that the United States would itself soon engage in this “abhorrent practice.”

That our government authorized and permitted the torture of a number of suspected terrorists and other detainees in its custody is one of the key conclusions reached in a comprehensive report released earlier this month by The Constitution Project’s Task Force on Detainee Treatment, an independent bipartisan group charged with examining the treatment of people captured in response to the global terrorist threat during the last three administrations.

Without a doubt, the terrorist attacks of September 11 were among the most heinous acts ever visited upon this nation, a clear violation of the laws of war and any kind of civilized moral code. Nevertheless, the torture of suspected terrorists, no matter how monstrous their alleged crimes or connections, is expressly proscribed by American and international law. The legal prohibition against torture is rooted in our Bill of Rights; the explicit rejection of torture, even in the middle of national emergencies, dates back at least to Abraham Lincoln and the American Civil War.

Torture is not a concept whose definition exists in the eye of the beholder. The U.S. government has historically condemned many of the same interrogation practices used by U.S. personnel against terror suspects in the wake of 9/11. Waterboarding, stress positions, extended sleep deprivation, nudity and prolonged solitary confinement have all been deplored by the U.S. State Department when practiced by other countries, by U.S. civilian courts in cases other than those dealing with terrorism, and by respected global humanitarian organizations such as the International Committee for the Red Cross. If these techniques are torture when others in engage in them, how can they be anything less when we use them ourselves?

We are troubled that so many high-ranking former political and military leaders continue to suggest that there is a legal or moral justification for torture. They argue that lawyers in the Office of Legal Counsel approved the use of certain interrogation techniques because they defined them as not being torture. Those opinions, since repudiated by legal experts and the OLC itself, relied not only on a very narrow legal definition of torture but also on factual representations about how the techniques would be implemented that later proved inaccurate.

Those who sincerely believe that the ends justify the means when it comes to coercive interrogations are free to try to change national and international laws. But they are not free to ignore those laws.

Much of the torture that occurred in Iraq and Afghanistan was never explicitly authorized. However, once the Bush administration declared that the Geneva Conventions, a venerable instrument for ensuring humane treatment of prisoners in time of war, did not apply to captives in Afghanistan or Guantanamo, many lower-level troops said they believed that “the gloves were off” regarding treatment of prisoners.

Loosening restrictions on physical and mental cruelty dehumanizes not just detainees but also their captors. In the heat of military conflict, amidst a climate of fear and loathing of the enemy, what may be intended as carefully calibrated interrogation techniques to be used on a few “high-value” detainees can quickly devolve into the infliction of pain for the sheer fun of it. The attitude among the higher-ups that allowed the setting aside of traditional legal rules that protected captives in a few instances quickly dropped down the chain of command, and led directly to the abuses at Abu Ghraib and elsewhere.

Regardless of political party, the leaders of this country should acknowledge that the authorization and practice of torture and cruelty after September 11 was a grave error and take the steps necessary to ensure that it cannot be repeated. As a nation, we must recognize that our government is not exempt from the rule of law. Only then can we reclaim a role of moral leadership in the world.

Dr. David P. Gushee is Distinguished University Professor at Mercer University and Director of the Center for Theology and Public Life. William S. Sessions served three U.S. presidents as Director of the FBI.



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Cornyn Responds to White House Patent Reform Proposal

WASHINGTON - U.S. Senator John Cornyn (R-TX), who recently introduced The Patent Abuse Reduction Act<http://www.cornyn.senate.gov/public/index.cfm?p=InNews&ContentRecord_id=082eaecc-1983-41a7-b656-156c1b4b77cb&ContentType_id=b94acc28-404a-4fc6-b143-a9e15bf92da4&f6c645c7-9e4a-4947-8464-a94cacb4ca65&Group_id=bf378025-1557-49c1-8f08-c5df1c4313a4>, responded to

President Obama's patent reform proposals recently:

"I've heard from entrepreneurs and businesses across Texas that the reforms in my bill are desperately needed to foster innovation and growth.

"I am pleased that President Obama is joining this important conversation, and I look forward to working on solutions that allow Texans to overcome the burdens they face from patent litigation abuse."

Background on the Patent Abuse Reduction Act

Abusive patent litigation, exemplified by a growing number of "patent trolls," threatens the innovation patents were created to protect. Patent litigation abuse saddles American innovators and job-creators, from start-ups to our nation's largest employers, with expensive litigation. It directs resources away from research, development, wages and economic growth.

The Patent Abuse Reduction Act will modernize patent litigation and protect innovators unfairly targeted by abusive patent litigation. The bill would require plaintiffs to disclose the substance of their claims and reveal their identities when they file their lawsuit; allow defendants to hale into court interested parties; bring fairness to the discovery process; and shift responsibility for the cost of litigation to the losing party. These reforms will deter patent litigation abusers without prejudicing the rights of responsible intellectual property holders.

Senator Cornyn serves on the Finance and Judiciary Committees. He serves as the top Republican on the Judiciary Committee's Immigration, Refugees and Border Security subcommittee. He served previously as Texas Attorney General, Texas Supreme Court Justice, and Bexar County District Judge.

Dear editor,

The baseball writers have had their say when both alleged and confirmed steroid users were eligible for the Hall of Fame. Such players, of course, have been denied induction. These writers will have their say again in the future when the likes of Ryan Braun, Alex Rodriguez, and a number of other players linked to steroids will themselves be eligible.

A.J. Chilson, Princeton, TX

Hall Supports Strong National Security Appropriations Bill

WASHINGTON, DC . . . This week, Rep. Ralph Hall (TX-04) voted in support of H.R. 221, the Department of Homeland Security Appropriations Act, which passed the House 245-182.

"Ensuring America's national security and the safety of our citizens is our greatest responsibility," said Hall. "In this past year alone, Americans have faced terrorist attacks both at home and abroad. On April 15, the Boston Marathon bombing by brothers Dzhokhar and Tamerlan Tsarnaev killed three people and injured 264. On the eleventh anniversary of 9/11, an attack on the American Embassy in Benghazi, Libya took place. Four Americans were murdered, including Ambassador Christopher Stevens, and 10 were injured.

"America is also increasingly exposed to cyber attacks as our country becomes more and more dependent on digital communication technology," Hall continued. "And we have not yet adequately secured our Nation's borders."

"Keeping in mind our need to rein in wasteful government spending, today's bill provides responsible funding for the Homeland Security Department for Fiscal Year 2014 by prioritizing funding for frontline operations, threat-targeting and intelligence, and essential tactical equipment, while cutting less effective programs."

Specifically, H.R. 2217 would:

- * Address the weaknesses identified after the Boston Marathon attacks and boost funding for key readiness programs such as 1) Visa security and enforcement programs to prevent foreigners from overstaying their visit to the U.S., 2) Bombing Prevention to battle Improvised Explosive Devices and reduce threats, and 3) enhancing the identification of known and suspected terrorists;
- * Improve cybersecurity operations to blunt cyber-attacks and foreign espionage;
- * Secure the border by 1) providing the largest totals of Border Patrol agents and Customs and Border Protection officers in history, and 2) fully funding E-Verify to assist businesses in verifying workers' citizenship; and
- * Provide full funding for FEMA's stated requirement for disaster relief to assist with natural disasters such as the recent tornados in Texas and Oklahoma.

Oversight and Spending Cuts include:

- * Prohibiting funds for the transfer or release of detainees from Guantanamo Bay;
- * Restricting funds for another "Fast and Furious" gun-tracking program by the Administration;
- * Requiring reporting on procurement and usage of ammunition by Federal agencies;
- * Limiting the spending for conferences and ceremonies; and
- * Denying funding for creation of three proposed Department Headquarter offices.

"Our best defense is a strong offense, and I will continue to support strong, responsible national security policies that will keep our citizens safe."

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Hall Supports Responsible Veterans Appropriations Bill

WASHINGTON, DC . . . Last evening, Rep. Ralph Hall (TX-04) voted in favor of H.R. 2216, the Military Construction and Veterans Affairs, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act of 2014, which passed the House 421-4.

“I am a longtime supporter of our servicemen, both past and present, and believe it is imperative that we provide these brave individuals and their families with the care and support they need, deserve, and have earned through their sacrifices on behalf of our great Nation,” said Hall. “With Texas representing one of the largest veteran populations in the country – over 1.6 million veterans – supporting our troops and veterans is also of great personal concern for the 4th District and our State.”

“Providing adequate support for our veterans and reining in spending is not exclusive, as this bill shows,” Hall continued. “This bill works to adequately and thoughtfully fund our veterans’ quality of life through family housing, medical facilities, guard and reserve facilities, and education facilities, while at the same time conducting oversight and reducing excess funds where possible.”

Specifically, H.R. 2216 would:

- * Support medical treatment including funding for traumatic brain injury treatment, suicide prevention, mental health care, and rural health initiatives;
- * Coordinate an effort to jumpstart the Department of Defense and Veterans Affairs electronic health record system to help ensure troops and veterans have seamless, quality health care access;
- * Promote the transition of disability claims into a paperless system and the digital scanning of health records in order to combat backlog; and
- * Provide funding for military construction projects.

Spending cuts include:

- * Rescinding unused funding from previous years;
- * Implementing strict reporting requirements to track the performance of each regional office dealing with VA disability claims in order to guarantee progress is made and backlogged claims do not continue to increase;
- * Reducing North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO) Security Investment Program (NSIP) funding as NATO members contribute to the cost of construction needed to support the roles of the major NATO commands;
- * Reducing funding for military housing due to savings from the privatization of family housing; and
- * Reducing funding for some military construction projects.

“I thank our troops and veterans for their service to all Americans, and I will continue to support our servicemen and women while working for responsible spending and a balanced budget.”





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Finding the Best Possible Nursing Home Care for a Loved One

PROVIDENCE, R.I.— When their mother became a nursing home escapee, her helicopter daughters wondered what the sweet 93-year-old widow was thinking. With her daughters hovering anxiously, she was quick to answer. “I wanted to pick up a few things to cook for your father tonight.”

The woman’s daughters gave a collective deep sigh. Their mother remained young at heart, but the memory thief of dementia turned her mind into an intermingling of long-term remembrances, short-term forgetfulness and delusional thinking. She was stuck in her married past unable to comprehend why she had to live in a room with no kitchen to cook pasta for her husband, who had actually died.

Her daughters realized that they could neither stop their mother’s mental deterioration nor prevent behavior one would expect from an impetuous teenager. But, what they could do was to find a nursing home where their mother would be safer and maybe happier, too.

Despite their hovering and search for the perfect nursing facility, their mother’s worsening dementia limited their choices. Questions to ask about quality ratings, activities and atmosphere as well as cultural sensitivity, patient rights, and physician availability may seem obvious.

However, even with all the guides designed to help families, getting answers is a challenge.

In addition to general manuals, such as the comprehensive 72-page *Your Guide To Choosing A Nursing Home* — Medicare.gov, getting a sense and feel of a home by visiting more than once may make the difference between sleepless nights and peace of mind.

Questions to admission directors are important, but observation is often a better predictor of how well a person will adjust to the new environment. Answers from staff may dramatically clash with the reality of a nursing home’s ratings, atmosphere, activities, patient rights and physician availability.

Things to Look for Onsite

Often a nursing home placement is made hastily because of a hospital’s “time’s up” policy. Patricia L. McGinnis, executive director of California Advocates for Nursing Home Reform, [<http://www.canhr.org/>] said, “Contradictory to their role -- appropriate placement – discharge planners are often pressured to get patients out of the hospital because of billing issues.”

Atmosphere is important: With nursing homes, beautiful furniture and new curtains do not necessarily translate into good care. You may see a facility that has a four- or five-star rating, but the atmosphere or patient population may not be well suited for a potential resident.

Always look at dining rooms during lunchtime to see how many residents are there instead of eating alone in their rooms.

Ask to look at activity charts to determine how those requiring various levels of care may participate and benefit. While offering residents Wii Bowling sounds good on paper, residents with dementia will not be able to remember the steps involved for knocking down the pins. On the other hand, BINGO plays an important role in routine and socialization.

Music in nursing homes should be more than just recreation; it should be therapy, even for residents who are cognitively challenged. Some experts in aging say that making music can be a protective factor against the most difficult aspects of dementia.

For example, the documentary *Alive Inside*, explores how patients are transformed by listening to iPods. In a nursing home there can never be too much music.

Patient rights and physicians: From small issues to more substantive ones, patients’ rights versus the best interest of a patient is tricky. Be certain to ask about patient-choice issues. Important examples are:

Dining room seating -- Do new residents get assigned tables and is there flexibility to be able to move to another table? You want flexibility.

Room changes -- Residents may be shifted to different rooms merely for the convenience of the home. But sometimes roommates are not compatible. Ask how this is handled, and is the staff quick to make changes if problems arise?

Showers and changes of pull-ups or diapers -- To prevent urinary tract infections, or UTIs (a common health issue that can also worsen a senior’s mood), it is important that residents are changed and bathed frequently. Ask how often this takes place and how they handle a person who refuses. Hiding behind patient rights is not acceptable when a health issue is involved. Incontinent patients should be checked every few hours.

Make certain family caregivers are permitted to be involved with helping a person with dementia make appropriate choices.

Ask how a facility handles conflict. A well-trained staff can often coax even the most belligerent resident into complying with a health issue. Hydration and frequent diaper changes are key to preventing potentially debilitating UTIs.

In the elders, a UTI can create agitation and delirium that leads to preventable hospitalization. This is only one reason why having a full-time physician or nurse practitioners on staff makes good sense. Does the home have one?

Ombudsmen and Other Resources

Despite your best efforts, if nursing home issues concern you, contact the local long-term care ombudsman. These people, usually found through the state or local government department or commission on aging, are independent officials designated by the U.S. Older Americans Act, to monitor area nursing homes and assist residents. They usually can fill you on about a facility’s record.

However, keep in mind what Donna McCormick, managing attorney for the Elder, Health and Disability Unit at Greater Boston Legal Services—ombudsman programs are uneven around the country. She explained, “In theory all nursing homes should have ombudsmen, but the challenge takes place when they become so intertwined with management that they don’t always advocate effectively for residents.”

The other alternative is to find a different home. Physicians and researchers tell us that seniors can be more adaptable than we realize.

What is every family’s goal? Dr. James M. Ellison, a professor of psychiatry at Harvard Medical School, said, “Families need to know that their loved ones are being cared for by a kind staff in an atmosphere that stimulates them emotionally, socially and cognitively. It’s important to remember that even with a diagnosis of dementia people can find joy in the appropriate surroundings.”

As a result, families often find themselves in search of a different nursing home.

Here are some helpful resources keyed to quality of care, nursing staff, health inspections and safety issues.

* Medicare.gov - Nursing Home Overview;

* Nursing Home Compare - Medicare.gov directs one to state sites and phone numbers;

* America’s Best Nursing Homes - News - US News and World Report, is a star-rated overview;

* Nursing Home Inspect, makes nursing home inspection reports.

* California Advocates for Nursing Home Reform’s “Nursing Home Guide,” a national model for state searches.

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Capitol Watch

By Larry Phillips, State Representative



Bills Passed During the Regular Session

Of the 6061 bills filed by both the House and the Senate during the regular session of the 83rd Legislature, only 1437 were passed by both chambers and sent to the governor for approval. The governor has until June 16th to either sign a bill, let it pass into law without his signature, or veto it. This week, I will discuss a few of the bills that were passed by the legislature and have been sent to the governor.

House Bill 29 requires general academic teaching institutions, to offer a four-year fixed tuition price plan as an option for undergraduate students. Under the bill, the plan must provide that for the four academic years immediately following a student's initial enrollment the institution will not charge tuition in excess of the rate the student charged in the first academic year in which the student enrolled at the institution or the academic year immediately following the summer term in which the student enrolled. This bill does not apply to private institutions of higher education, and would apply to a student who enrolls in a public college on or after the Fall 2014 semester.

The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration issued a report in 2012 showing that automobile repair shops across the country have been using counterfeit airbags as replacement parts. In many cases, these airbags have been shown to malfunction and pose a risk of bodily harm or death to the occupants of the vehicle. House Bill 38 increases the existing misdemeanor penalty to a state jail felony for knowingly making, selling, or installing a counterfeit airbag, not installing an airbag as purported, or intentionally altering an airbag that is not counterfeit in a manner that causes the airbag to not meet all applicable federal safety regulations. The offense would also be enhanced to a felony of the first degree if it is shown on the trial of the offense that the offense resulted in the death of a person.

The leaves of the *Salvia divinorum* plant contain the compound Salvinorin A, which is believed to be the active ingredient responsible for inducing a hallucinogenic high experienced by individuals through inhalation or tincture. This substance is a potent naturally occurring hallucinogen and is readily and legally available in head shops across the nation and over the Internet. House Bill 124 amends current law relating to the addition of *Salvia divinorum* and its derivatives to Penalty Group 3 of the Texas Controlled Substances Act. This would increase the penalty for manufacturing or distributing salvia to a minimum of a state jail felony up to a first degree felony, depending on the amount of salvia.

For more information on these bills or any other state matter, please contact my office by writing to P.O. Box 2910, Austin, TX 78768-2910 or by emailing me at larry.phillips@house.state.tx.us. My district office phone number is (903) 891-7297.



Biblical Theme Songs

Noah: "Raindrops Keep Falling on My Head"

Adam and Eve: "Strangers in Paradise"

Lazarus: "The Second Time Around"

Esther: "I Feel Pretty"

Job: "I've Got a Right to Sing the Blues"

Moses: "The Wanderer"

Jezebel: "The Lady is a Tramp"

Samson: "Hair" Salome: "I Could Have Danced All Night"

Daniel: "The Lion Sleeps Tonight"

Esau: "Born To Be Wild"

Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego: "Great Balls of Fire!"

The Three Kings: "When You Wish Upon a Star"

Jonah: "Got a Whale of a Tale"

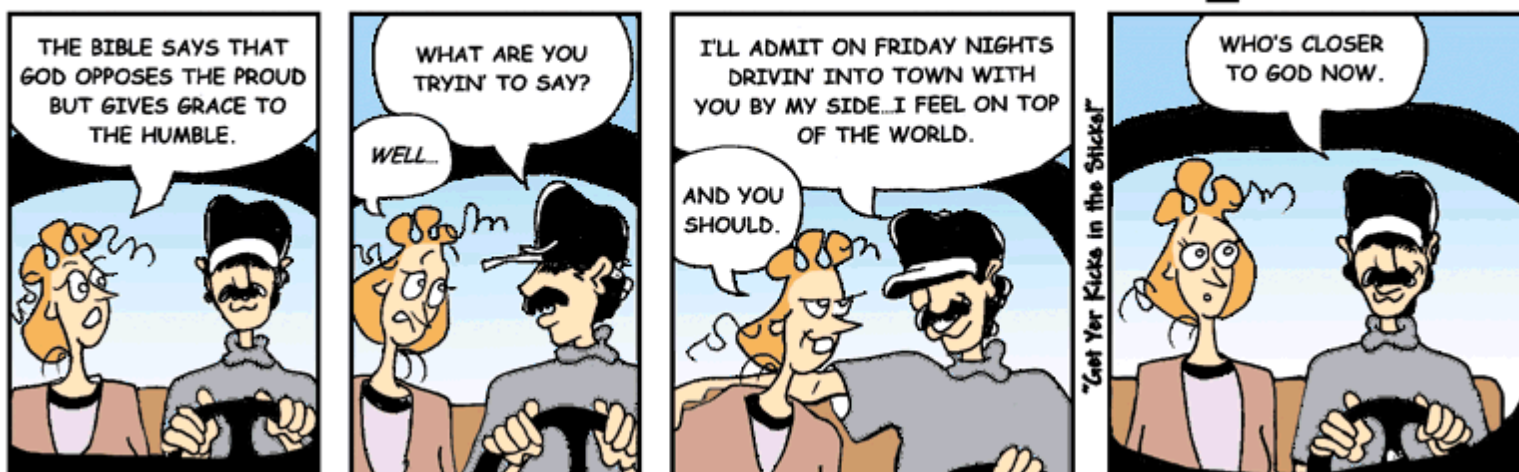
Elijah: "Up, Up, and Away"

Methuselah: "Stayin' Alive"

Nebuchadnezzar: "Crazy"

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[The Handbook of Texas Online](#) is a multidisciplinary encyclopedia of Texas history, geography, and culture sponsored by the Texas State Historical Association and the General Libraries at UT Austin.

[Texas Online](#): The official website for the Great State of Texas and provides instant access to almost 800 state and local government services.

[Library of Texas](#): Immediately start searching multiple Texas library catalogs and other knowledge collections in one sitting.



LET'S REMINISCE: Rodeo Bull-Riding Has Changed

By Jerry Lincecum

Summertime is rodeo season, and I saw a notice that in Kosse, Texas (not far from my old stompin' grounds), local folks were invited to compete in certain events. Bull-riding was not on the list, and a little internet research told me why. It's because most cowboys don't stand a chance against the new breed of bulls.

The past decade or so has seen a historic shift in the balance of power in the bull-riding ring. Eight seconds doesn't seem very long, unless you are trying to stay on the back of a bull named Bushwhacker. Tipping the scales at 1,750 pounds, he has thrown 40 cowboys in a row, and no man has stayed on him for eight seconds since 2009.

Back when bucking bulls were just run-of-the-mill ornery, mean critters, the skilled riders on the pro circuit could hang on for the required eight-second ride 85 percent of the time. Today's very best cowboy on the elite Professional Bull Riders tour, Shane Proctor, has a career success rate of just 39 percent. It's the owners of the bulls who rake in the prize money.

As a result, bucking bulls are treated like racehorses. They have personal trainers, a bloodline registry, artificial insemination, life insurance and a NFL-style draft. Rich city dwellers board their bulls with specialty ranchers and watch them compete on weekends.

Champion bulls are mated with cows that have produced great buckers in the past. Some breeders have even cloned their best animals; there are four clones of a bull named Panhandle Slim on the circuit today.

The cost of life insurance for a bull is about \$55 in annual premiums per \$1,000 in insured value. One bull valued at \$250,000 cost more than \$13,000 in premiums per year.

At the other end of the curve are the cowboys who compete in bull-riding. Most of them live hand-to-mouth and get paid only when they win. Top rider Shane Proctor has won \$1 million in nine years, at the cost of a broken jaw, a shattered left arm, a broken foot, broken legs and several broken ribs. Like a pro-footballer, his days of glory are numbered and his retirement years will be painful.

Before riding a bull named *Bring It's Pride*, Cayd Kluesner, a 22-year-old minor leaguer from Idaho, took out a well-thumbed "The Way for Cowboys Bible" and read Philippians 4:13: "I can do everything through Him who gives me strength."

A few hours later, *Bring It's Pride* bucked off Kluesner shy of the eight seconds. The cowboy landed safely on his feet. But the bull pivoted, lifted Kluesner on its horns and threw him into the air. This time, the cowboy crashed onto his back in the dirt.

Old-timers say the best bulls of the present are no better than the great bulls of the past. It's just that there aren't any duds in competition anymore; every bull is bred to buck savagely.

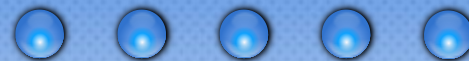
Most aficionados, however, believe *Bushwacker* is something special, perhaps the greatest ever. He remains calm as the rider climbs on in the chute, saving his energy for the moment the gate swings open. Then he might spring four feet in the air, changing direction in flight.

Bushwacker's owner, Julio Moreno, of Oakdale, Calif., has a freezer full of the bull's semen, and he says he turned down an offer for \$750,000 for the bull.

That's why the rodeo organizers in Kosse are not inviting local cowboys to enter the bull-riding competition.

-30- A retired English professor, Dr. Jerry Lincecum teaches classes for older adults who want to write their life stories. He welcomes your reminiscences on any topic: jlincecum@me.com





Ann Bowden

HOWE - Funeral services for Ann Bowden, 83, of Howe will be held at 2 p.m. Saturday, June 15, 2013 at the First Baptist Church in Howe with Rev. Roger Tidwell officiating. Burial will follow at Akers Cemetery in Sherman. Arrangements are under the direction of Waldo Funeral Home.

Ann passed away on Tuesday, June 11, 2013 in Van Alstyne.

She was born in Memphis, Texas on Dec. 1, 1929 the daughter of George Dewey and Esther Anderson Miller. Ann married Spike Bowden on Oct. 6, 1947 in Gainesville. He preceded her in death. She worked for many years and retired from Texas Instruments in Sherman. Ann loved the Lord, life, people and she never met a stranger. She was a member of the First Baptist Church in Howe.

She is survived by her two sons, Spike David Bowden and wife Mary of Sherman, and Robert Bowden and wife Teresa of Pottsboro; five grandchildren, Mary Ann Bowden, David Wayne Bowden, Vanessa Bowden, April Rose Bowden, Dawn Michelle Wormsbaker and husband Josh; and eight great-grandchildren. Ann is also survived by numerous nieces, nephews, cousins and friends.

She was preceded in death by her parents, husband, three brothers, Billy, Kenneth and Robert Miller.

Pallbearers will be David Beaty, Shawn Beaty, Ryan Trujillo, Josh Wormsbaker, David Bowden and Greg Tomlin.

The family night will be 6 -8 p.m. on Friday, June 14 from at Waldo Funeral Home in Sherman.



Diana Geer

HOWE - Diana Leigh Geer, 52, of Howe died Sunday, June 9, 2013 at her residence. Diana was cremated and a memorial service will be held at 1 p.m. Saturday, June 15, 2013 at Johnson-Moore Chapel in Denison, Texas with Leland Samuelson officiating. A visitation will be held after the service.

She was born on Aug. 15, 1960 in Dallas, Texas to Alber Lee and Willie Mae Wilder Geer. She attended Howe schools. Ms. Geer was a dietary aide for nursing homes and was a Baptist.

She is survived by son, Joseph Lee Geer of Pottsboro; daughter, Caria Marie Geer of Howe; brothers, Johnny Geer of Irving, and Larry Geer of Bonham; four grandchildren; and one great-grandchild.

Services are under the direction of Johnson-Moore Funeral Home in Denison. Condolences may be registered to www.johnsonmoorefuneralhome.net.


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