

Texoma Enterprise

Howe, Texas
75459

June 9, 2011

Howe Graduating Class 2011



Towner James Bailey, Ariel Lynn Barnett, Tiffani DeLynn Batchelor, Jordan Renee' Baugher, Justin Tyler Bilbey, Jami Elizabeth Blevins, Brittany Kay Blum, Bradley Reed Brunk, Jaycee Marietta Bryant, Jenae' Nikol Bryant, John Ryan Burchfield, Timothy Lee Butler, Casey Aaron David, Gretchen Elizabeth Debner, John Adam Eugene Dennis, Davalyn Michelle Ervin, Ari Benjamin Falk, Brooke Michelle Farris, Chase Aaron Fountaine, Jesseca Lynn Franks, Emily Ann Grisolia, Kasy Dewayne Havens, Reed Taylor Hawkins, Wesley Dillon Hayes, Clinton James Henderson, Karla Jessica Hernandez, Zachery Dillon Hix, Travis Wayne Hunt, Krista Ann Huske, Megan Jene Ing, Ashton Rhea James, Scott Robert Kannenberg, Michael Christopher Karry, Ciarra Cheyenne King, Ashley Paige Krueger, Christopher James Lambright, Collin Ryan Lankford, Clay Alan Marable, Kailea Breann Marshall, Michael Ross McDonald, Thomas Garnet McGraw, Kallie Marie McLain, Irvin Adam Menjivar, Cody Austin Mercer, Sara Latane Moffett, Brice Wade Nelms, Marlee Nicole, O'Dowd, Corey Austin Pelt, Zachary Dylan Pelt, Katelyn Jeanette Pike, Adrian Deane Poe, Jessica Leigh Price, Logan Hunter Price, Jonathan Albert Reid, Amber Nicole Roe, *Verna Schobesberger, Gage Jeffrey Shearer, Brittanni Nikole Smith, Claudia Nicole Smithart, Jose Alfredo Tapia Jr, Amber Nicole Thurston, Par Tial, Victoria Carol Trevino, Christopher Marcos Vera, Ashley Elizabeth White, Victoria Nicole Wiggins, Jacob Andrew Zang



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GCC Awards Degrees and Certificates

Students earning honors are identified during the presentation of diplomas. GCC recognizes students receiving Associate of Applied Science and Associate of Science degrees with a grade point average of 3.70-3.84 as cum laude (C), gpa of 3.85-3.99 as magna cum laude (M) and 4.0 as summa cum laude (S). Students earning certificates of completion with A's in all certificate classes are listed with "honors:" (H). Students completing the requirements of the Honors College program are designated with (HC).



The college awards degrees in Associate of Applied Science (AAS), Associate of Science (AS), Associate of Arts in Teaching (AAT) and Certificates of Completion (CERT).

Candidates for graduation, listed by hometowns, for 2010-11 include:

BELLS: Alan Jonathan Atkinson (AAS), Jessica Ann Bass (CERT), Rachelle Denise Bradley (CERT), William Clay Bradley (CERT), Joshua Thomas Brown (2 CERT, AAS), Brandie Dawn Dupuis (AS), Crystal Nicole Faison (CERT), Marcelo Fulgencio Flores (CERT-H), Derrick Riley Goracke (AS), Stefan Martin Kells (AAT), Dakota Lane Lattimore (AS), Kelly Tupper Lewis (AAS), Megan Little (AAS), Atiya B McCain (AS), David Wayne McPherson (CERT), Jamie Ann Morris (2 CERT), Jeremy A Scheidt (AS), Kemal Shea Tongate (AAS), Dusty Wayne Watson (AS)



COLLINSVILLE: Alfred James Bowman (CERT), Kaila Elizabeth Delka (AS), Dusty Lee Harrell (CERT), Erica Nicole Harrell (CERT), Bradley Allen Stone (AS-C), Cote Travis Sutton (CERT), Aaron Craig Vannoy (AAS)

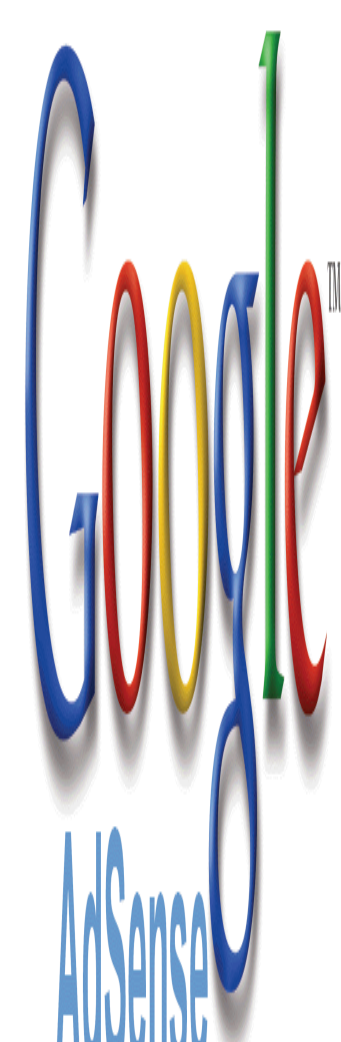
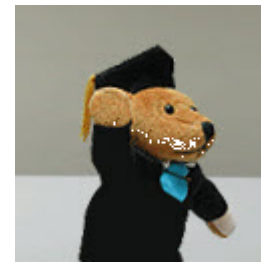
GUNTER: Ronald Ray Baker (CERT-H), Bradley Thomas Cross (CERT), Heather Elizabeth Gibson (AAS), Collin Lee Goodrum (AS), Thomas Franklin Horn (HC; AS-S), Dana Lynn Howell (CERT), Kelsey Erin Hunter (CERT), Adam Glenn Jennings (2 CERT), Brett Michael Knapp (AS), Danielle Annette Logan (2 AS), Laci Ann Miller (CERT), Jacob Andrew Newman (2 CERT), Sergio Adalberto Ortiz (AAS), Amanda Gail Phillips (CERT), Courtney Danielle Tolbert (AS), Nikki Thomas (AAS), Rebecca Bell Thornhill (AS)

HOWE: Pamela Denise Barnett (AS-C), Britnee Elizabeth Brockman (AS), Robert Lee Cate (CERT), Dallas Merlyn Cloud (2 CERT), Sean Mikel Douglas (2 CERT), Joshua Stuart Falk (AS), Cory Alan Fesperman (2 CERT-H), Krystal Valynn Freeman (AAT), John James Grant (2 CERT), Bradleigh Kristen Herbert (AAS), James Paul Holland (2 CERT), Justin Andrew Howerton (CERT), April Chréé Allison Key (AS), Alicia Kathleen McCarley (CERT), Rachel Rebecca Sue Miller (AS), Michael W Orr (AAS), Julie Anne Roberson (AAS), Alejandro Rodriguez (AS), Kyle Brodie Sarlls (AAS), David Allen Smith (CERT), James Richard Underwood (CERT), Patricia Leigh Warren (AS), Justin Chad Williams (CERT), Joseph S Zolfaghari (CERT)

POTISBORO: Stacey Kristine Adams (AAS), Derek C Allen (2 CERT-H, AAS-M), Mohammed Arif Alsabbagh (CERT, AAS-C), Brian Patrick Andrews (CERT), Austin H Ashley (AS), Shanna L Baldwin (AAS), Aaron Keith Bates (AS), Rebecca S Betts (CERT), David Anthony Bomsburger (2 CERT-H), Taylor Austin Bradford (AS), Guy M Brandon (CERT-H), John Isaac Bush (AAS), Audree Shea Carter (AAS), Jacob Allen Chambers (AS), Kayla Ann Chambers (AS), Brittani Ashton Choate (AS), Donnese L Clark (AAS), Kent Richard Combs (CERT), Ashley Frances Crow (AS), Sherrie Lynn Deskin (AS-M), Brandi Rochelle Dillinger (CERT), Dannette Donihoo (AAS), James Jeremy Duckworth (CERT), Johnathan Levi Evans (AS), Heather Nicole Haddock (CERT), Jason Burrell Harris-Murphy (AS), Misty Dawn Henson-Johnson (AAT), Crystal Hicks (AAS), Joshua Keith Johnson (2 CERT-H), Kandy Jane Keel (CERT), Arian Hayes Krasniqi (AAS), Zachary Lynn Langford (2 CERT, AAS), Rory Neal Larkins (AS), Phillip Ray Laxton (CERT), Scott A Leeswood-Jones (CERT-H), Phillip Douglas Lefas (CERT), Thomas Edward Lively (2 CERT, AAS), Phyllis Lynn Loe (CERT), Raymond Alexander Makuch Jr (CERT), Dennis Ray Marshall Jr (CERT-H), Nicholas Winston Marsico (AS), Camellia S Morris (AAS), Laura Massey Neal (AS), Mbandou Ngangta (AS), Jessica Payne (AAS), Sachio Ikard Petit (AS), Ashley Nerae Phillips (3 CERT, AAS), Reana K Phillips (CERT), Bridgette Ann Presson (AS), Fierry Lee Reifel (2 CERT), Beverly Diane Robinson (AAT), Codi Michelle Robinson (3 CERT), Tayler Paige Ruffin (AS), Karen Renee Bardwell Salazar (AS), Angela Marie Sampson (CERT), Robert Eric Trissell (AS-M), Jenna Leigh Weger (AAS), Sherry A Wolf (AAS), Owen Marshall Woody (AS)

SADLER: Justin Matthew Blakley (AS), Mallory Nicole Freeman (AAS), Jennifer Lynn Pruiett (AS), Shauna Yvette Sellers (AS-M)

SHERMAN: Philip Joseph Alexander (CERT), Alyssa Cheyenne Allen (CERT), Joshua Craig Allen (CERT), Rebecca Allen (CERT, AAS), Eloy Alvarado (CERT), Donna Maria Alvarez (AAS), Francisco David Alvarez (AAS), Paola Verdiane Ambendt (AS), Yancy Gustavo Angeles Gonzalez (AAS), Katie Kristell Arfman (AAT), Amanda Raye Armstrong (2 CERT), Russell Ted Baca (AS), Nicole Angela Barker (CERT), Elhadj Barry (3 AS), Gary Dwight Baxter Jr (CERT), Christina Michelle Beene (AAT), Jamie Dawn Betts (AAS), Stephanie Dove Blake (AS-S), Binta Bocoum (AS), Kristen Roschelle Bollier (AAS), Elizabeth Theresa Bolson (2 AS-M), Lisett Bond (2 CERT-H), Jessica Jo Booker (AS), Rejoice Gloria Booker (AAS), Steev Ghislain Boundzanga (2 AS), Alyssa Marie Bragg (AAS-C), Terry George Brewster (AAS), Guadalupe Palafox Bridges (AS), Ramonda Lashon Brooks (CERT), Anita S Brown (CERT), Joshua Ryan Brown (AS), Kristen Danielle Brown (AS), Lonni Elizabeth McClara Bryant (3 AS), Aaron Jason Bucy (2 CERT-H), Keira Marcel Burks (AS), Holly Michelle Burton (AS-C), Karmen Michelle Burton (2 AS-C), Travis Taylor Byrd (CERT-H, AAS-M), Wesley Wayne Campbell (CERT), Liza Christina Campoblanco Bonfim (2 AS), Guillermo Jose Carrasco (CERT), Seunghan Cha (AS), Clinton R Chandler (CERT, AAS), Caylon Dion Chase (AAS), Nicole Danielle Cobel (AAS), Joseph Colston Coffey (2 CERT), Aaron James Cole (CERT), Joshua Thomas Cole (HC; CERT, AS, AAS), Jill Susanne Collum (AAS), Deanna Elaine Compton (AS), Dustin James Conner (AS), Johnny Robert Cortez (AAS), Ryan La Vance Crawford (AAS), Joshua David Crews (AAS), Darian E Curry (AS), Katlyn Marissa Derleth (2 AS), Bethany Denise Dick (CERT), Joshua C Dodson (CERT), Gary DeWayne Doss (CERT), Blake Nicole Doty (2 CERT), Clemente Anthony Edgcombe (CERT, AAS), Koffi Bepe Esselasse Eklou (AS), Justin Wade Ellis (CERT-H), John Paxton Emerson (2 CERT-H), Olivier Micky Etomba Sadjo (3 AS), Brandon M Evans (CERT-H), Stephanie Ann Evans (CERT), Lamonica Shantell Finley (2 CERT), Angela Gayle Fitzsimmons (AAS), Eugenia Ophelia Fleming (AAS), Chelsea Jo Flinn (AAS), Darrell Blake Foard (CERT-H), Rachelle Lynne Atnip (AAS), Darrelle Fopa Djitta (AAS), Belinda Ann Franklin (CERT), Maisa Lynn Free (CERT), Leslie Alese Fulton (AS), Laneche Marjory Garcia-Mvouti (AS), Fancy Nicole George (AS), Diana Joyce Gillum (AAT -S), Jessica Marie Gonzalez (CERT), Benjamin Len Green (AS), John Franklin Green (CERT-H, AAS-S), Melissa Renee Green (CERT), Jackie Renee Griffin (AS), Peggy Sue Gross (AS), Samba Binê Anadou Guindo (AS), Bijay Gurung (AS), Sunil Gurung (AS), Homer Arturo Gutierrez (2 CERT, AAS), Ibeth G Gutierrez (CERT), John Edward Haigis (CERT-H), Andrew Scott Hamill (3 CERT-H, AAS), Debra Ann Hamm (AAS), Crystal Lanette Helton (AAS), Samuel Harding Henga Batomen (AS), Kathryn Marie Hess (AAS), Dennis Earl Hester (AS), Ashley LeAnn Hinds (AS-S), Jessica Danielle Hines (AAS), Kimberly Colleen Hobbs (2 CERT-H), Andrew Jarrett Hodge (CERT), Brenda Joyce Hoffman (AAS), Teresa M Holland (AAS), Harley David Horman (CERT), Robert Donald Hornsey (AS), Laurie Ann Hoskins (CERT), Brandi Hughes (2 AS), Jacquelyn Marie Hunt (AS) and Pricila L Itonet Mba (2 AS), Leslie Jackson (AAS), Tasha Renae Jackson (CERT), Jessica LeAnn Jeffrey (AAS), Amanda Lynn Jimenez (CERT), Christine Marie Johnson (CERT), Daniel Patrick Johnson (AS), Jessica Jean Johnson (2 CERT-H), Phyllis Marie Johnson (2 CERT, AAS), Brandee Nadine Benner Jones (AS), Jada Renee Jones (AAS), Mary Katherine Kaminski (CERT), Christopher Joel Kennedy (AS), Yayragan Eberechi Keoula (HC; 2 AS), Ahamadou Lamine Koutoure (CERT, AAS), Omaidra Zafar Khan (AS), Amanda Elizabeth Kincaid (AS), Halley Michelle Knight (AS), Abike Reine Kouchade (AS), Bissilola Francine Kouchade (AS-M), Lauryn Elizabeth Krauss (AS), Geoffrey Lee Kring (AS), Honan Yanick Hughe Lantonkpede (AS), Jose Alfredo Lara (CERT), Kelsey Michelle Leak (AAT), William Brad Ledane (AS), Mary Theresa Lesnick (AS), Margie Joann Lilly (CERT), Jennifer Michelle Little (CERT), Bienvenue Loubaki Kouanga (AS), Michael Roth Loveland (AS), Abdel Mabouaki Adebo (2 AS), AnneLise Mangombi (AS), Shannon Kathleen Manton (CERT), Paul Michael McBee (2 CERT-H), Megan Michele McKinstry (2 AS), Stephanie Lynn McNutt (AAS), Courtney Ruth Meek (CERT), Norma Araselis Menjivar (CERT), Lydia Grace Mercer (AAS), Jessica Mikidou (AS), Rachel Michelle Miller (CERT), Sherry Ann Monday (AAS), Brennan Wayne Moore (AS-C), Donny Shane Moorefield (CERT, CERT-H, AS), Marcel Mowangue (2 AS), Sharon E Munoz (AS, AAT), Pascalle Erika Mvoulamouyi Ebbah (AS), Ethel C Mwaungulu (AS), Nicholas W Myatt (CERT), Teskiratou Nachirou (AS), Karen Renee Naylor (AAS-M), Sima Igor Mba Ndong (AS), Alec Joseph Newtown (AAS), Padreck Ralph Nguema Mezui (AS), Nicole Christine Nicholas (AS-M, AAS-M), Jason Hunter Nichols (CERT), Nathan Alan Noel (CERT), Leslie Ann Northcott (AAS), Casandra Ashli Norton (AAS), Amanda Dean Oates (AS-C), Javier Eduardo Ochoa (AS), Alison DeAnn Offutt (AAS), Tamara Sheree Okojie (AAS), Jeff Allen Oliver (2 CERT), Darcy Herman Onanga (AS), Chimezie Bartholomew Onwu (CERT), Alberto Adolfo Orellana-Reyes (CERT-H), Matthew David Orr (2 CERT-H), Trenton Paul Oswald (AS), Ashley Danielle Owen (AAS), Agnes Salamatou Oyowu Barro A (AS), Amber Nicole Paliani (AAS), Tonya Johnson Palmer (CERT), Olivia Dovenia Palomares (AS), Suraj Paudel (AS), Delosha D Payne (AS), Christine Elaine Peake (AS), Kyle Alexander Peck (CERT-H), Chantera Renea Perry (CERT), Valerie Peterson (CERT), Shauna Marie Pine (CERT), Christopher Ping (2 AS), Kimberly Kay Platt (AAS), Tracie Lynn Polk (CERT), James Randall Poppellwell (CERT, CERT-H, AAS-C), Denisha Pradhan (AS), Michele Renee Price (AS), Andrea Beatriz Ramos (2 AS), Melissa S Randall (CERT), John Joseph Raner (2 AS), Tyler Jacob Rattan (CERT), Celena Nicole Reed (CERT), Jetzain Abraham Reynoso (CERT, AAS), Kristal R Rios (AAS), Emily Ann Roberts (AAS), Laquitta Marie Gatewood-Roberts (AS), Roy Rodriguez (2 AS), Yencys Carolina Rodriguez (AS), Sherry Ann Rose (CERT), Christopher Ryan Sandmann (AAS), Nicolas Eugene Shaw (CERT, AAS), Sweata Sherestha (AS), Monte Wayne Shores (AS), Bethany Lois Smith (CERT-H), Brittany Elise Smith (AAS), Curtis Reid Smith (CERT), Misty Lynn Smith (CERT-H, AAS), Deedra Dyanne Daniella Spencer (AAT), Angela Nicole Spore-Allen (AAS), Jamie Catherine Stephens (AAS), Sara Elizabeth Steward (CERT-H), Anthony James Stewart (AS), Tiffany Lee Ann Adams Stodghill (CERT), Craig Wesley Stone (CERT), Stevi Briel Stowers (CERT), Ann Ellen Sullivan (CERT-H, AAS-S), Lauren Olivia Thompson (AS), Melissa Louise Thompson (AAS), Michael Shane Thompson (AAS-M), Shanna Nicole Thompson (AS), Missi D Thrasher (CERT), Shaun Christopher Thrasher (CERT), David B Tollison (AS), Cynthia Fay Troxtell (AS), Jon Ellis Upton (CERT-H), Seth Andrew Waldrep (CERT), Ryan Matthew Ward (CERT), Britta Deloris Welsh (AS), Jeremy Eugene West (AAS), Lindsay Ann Willeford (CERT-H), Lindsay Ann Willeford (CERT-H), Chelsea Williams (CERT-H), Frank Andrew Williams (AAS), Michael Craig Willinger (AS), Dillon Cole Winchester (CERT), Aaron Bradley Withrow (CERT), Aaron Howard Wood (CERT-H), Laurie L Wood (CERT), Terry Joe Woods (2 CERT-H), Garren Randel Wright (AS), Rashanah Mahjah Ziyad (AS)



TIOGA: Deborah D Hale (AS)


TOM BEAN: Chris L Armstrong (CERT), Deanna Rose Bertholf (AAS-C), Jessica Marie Brown (CERT), Joseph A Goss III (CERT-H), Rebecca Faith Reynolds (CERT), Shelley Rowe (CERT), Billy G Skinner (AS), Jacob Russell Smith (CERT), April Heather Snodgrass (AS)

VAN ALSTYNE: Turner James Ball (AS-C), Rebecca Nicole Bass (AAT), Rachel Ray Buchanan (AAT), Samantha Renee Clemens (AAS-C), Allison Leigh Davis-Burk (AAS), Glenna June Elmore (CERT), Kelly Lynn Fletcher (CERT), Jessica Dawn Gober (CERT), Valerie Lynne Hobbs (AS), Ashton Leigh Hunter (AAS), Angel Adan Jaramillo (CERT-H), Christina Frances Maloy-Hall (AAS), Nicole Marie Ottwell (AAS), Ashley Elizabeth Sue Ramon (AS), Misty Kay Russell (CERT), Michael Joseph Tarlton (AS), Krystal Lauren Tyler (AAT), Jennifer Renee Whicker (AAS)

WHITESBORO: Stacey Lenore Bartlett (AAS-S), Christopher Jacob Bockman Sr (2 CERT), Jessica Dawn Broyles Howard (AS), Tracey Brill Clark (AS), Erika Helen Crouch (CERT), Charlotte Lynn Flanagan (AAS), Michael Lynn Green (2 CERT), Donna Elaine Guthrie (2 CERT, AAS), Casey Nichole Jackson (AS), Ryan Michael Kyle (2 CERT, AAS), Jessica Carol Lucas (AS), Larry Jon Ludlam (CERT), Vada Donnette Ludlam (AS), Cynthia Renae Maloney (AAT), Gabriel Lee Mason (AAS), Tammy L McCauley (CERT), Ann Renee McElyea (AS), Mayra B Munoz (CERT), Karen Guadalupe Pantoja (AS), Jessica Nacole Pruett (AS), Wesley Randall Reed (AAS), Ashley Elizabeth Ruffin (AS), Shine Tamaoki (AS), Aubrie Dechelle Tuckness (AAT)

WHIEWRIGHT: Christopher Dwayne Bassham (CERT), Christopher Ames Benoist (AS), Charles Eugene Christian (CERT), Calie Nichole Dawson (CERT), Katie Lynn Dawson (CERT), Jarred Charles Dixon (CERT), Christina Marie Harper (CERT), Rachel Rachelle Hendrix (CERT), Steven Patrick Hill (CERT-H), Sarah Elizabeth Hopkins (CERT), Chasity Shadawn Hughes (CERT), Cindy Marie Jester (CERT, CERT-H, AAS-C), Laura Anne Lashley (2 CERT, AAS), Matthew R Lowing (AS), Christopher Dale Luster (AS), Staci Renee Pettie (CERT), Dustin Ray Owens (2 CERT-H), John Derek Rogers (CERT-H), Trent E Stanford (AAS), Tye Preston Stanford (AAS), Kristina Marie Stewart (AAS), April Leigh Story (AAS)

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LATE BREAKING NEWS



Howe Dramatic Theatre Workshop

The Howe Dramatic Theatre and International Thespian Society Troupe #7140 are offering a workshop for aspiring actors entering 2nd-6th grade (approximately ages 7-11) during the week of June 20-24 from 9-11am. The workshop will include games, acting exercises, and other activities designed to put young actors on the path to stardom. Participants will learn about all aspects of producing a show (acting, dancing, set design, and costume design). They will also perform a short production for family members at the conclusion of the camp. Cost for the workshop is \$50. Sign-up forms for preregistration are available at the Howe Community Library. Attendees can also register on the first day of class. For additional information, contact Saul Wright at Wright.Saul@howeisd.net<mailto:Wright.Saul@howeisd.net>.

Circus Clown come to the Howe Community Library

Circus Clown Kelly, will be coming to the Howe Community Library on Tuesday, June 14, at 4 pm. He is AWESOME. Come see Kelly, pick up a reading log, and start earning a free circus ticket to a performance July 27-Aug. 7 in Dallas or Aug. 10-14 in Fort Worth.

Summer Food Programs in Denison & Sherman for Kids

What: Summer Food Programs in Sherman and Denison for Kids 18 & Younger

When: June throughout July

Where:

- Sherman: Sherman High School, Piner Middle School, Sory Elementary, Fred Douglass, Western Heights Church of Christ, Neblett Elementary
- Mayes Elementary, Golden Rule Elementary, Lamar Elementary, Terrell Elementary, Boys & Girls Club of Denison

Who: Sherman Independent School District, Denison Independent School District, Western Heights Church of Christ

Why: Providing Nutrious Meals for Kids

For Details on Times and Questions Contact the United Way of Grayson County Office



Howe 8th grade Bash Photos

for more information look at the website viewing link on the district's website at www.howeisd.net or at

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What's Cooking?

by Lana Rideout

Below is a copy of a letter written by Gunsmoke star and Hollywood legend James Arness, better known to millions of us as Marshal Matt Dillon. Arness passed away in his sleep June 3, 2011. He was 88. I think we all probably expected Marshal Dillon to go out in a hail of gunfire. Instead, he chose to ride off peacefully into the sunset.

It is a fitting exit for this gentle giant of a man. We lost one of the last truly great actors and role models today. James Arness was a class act. (Letter passed on to the Enterprise by Jim Chitty.)

Hi friends,

I decided to write a letter to you for Janet to post on our website in the event I was no longer here.

I had a wonderful life and was blessed with some many loving people and great friends. The best part of my life was my family, especially my wife Janet. Many of you met her at Dodge City so you understand what a special person she is.

*I wanted to take this time to thank all of you for the many years of being a fan of **Gunsmoke**, **The Thing**, **How the West Was Won** and all the other fun projects I was lucky enough to have been allowed to be a part of. I had the privilege of working with so many great actors over the years.*

I was honored to have served in the army for my country. I was at Anzio during WWII and it makes you realize how very precious life is.

Thank you again for all the many letters, cards, emails and gifts we received from you over the years. You are and always have been truly appreciated.

Sincerely, Jim Arness

Goodbye to a true hero from WWII through the movie roles he played and the life he lived.

Chicken Enchiladas

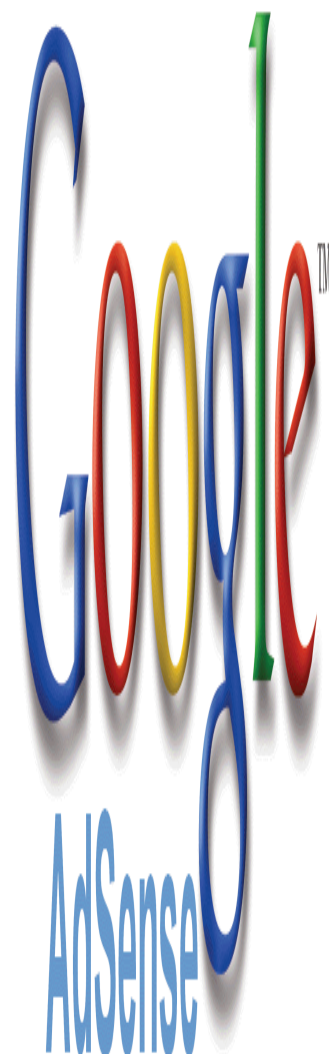
1/2 cup chopped onion
1/4 cup (1/2 stick) butter or margarine
1 (8-ounce) can diced green chiles, drained
6 ounces cream cheese, softened
2 Tablespoons milk
1/2 teaspoon cumin
4 cups chopped cooked chicken
12 (7-inch) flour tortillas
1 (10-ounce) can cream of chicken soup
1 cup sour cream
1 cup milk
3/4 cup shredded Monterey Jack cheese or Cheddar cheese

Saute the onion in the butter in a skillet over medium heat until browned. Remove from heat. Stir in 1 tablespoon of the green chiles. Combine the cream cheese, 2 tablespoons milk and cumin in a bowl and mix well. Stir in the chicken and onion mixture.

Spoon about 3 tablespoons of the chicken mixture near the edge of each tortilla and roll to enclose the filling. Place the tortillas seam side down in a greased 3-quart baking dish.

Combine the remaining green chiles, soup, sour cream and 1 cup milk in a bowl and mix well. Spoon the soup mixture evenly over the tortillas. Bake, covered with foil, at 350 degrees for 35 minutes or until heated through. Remove the foil and sprinkle with the cheese. Bake just until the cheese melts.

Yields 12 enchiladas



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Howe City Council Met May 31

Mayor Jeff Stanley called a special meeting of the Howe City Council to order at 6:47 pm. Members present were Joey McMillion, Georgia Richardson, Jack Leavenworth and Sam Haigis.

Jack Leavenworth gave the invocation.

Mayor Stanley led the pledges to the United States of American and the Texas flags.

Mayor Stanley administered the oath of office to Dale Rideout and he took his seat on the podium. Out-going Council Member Joey McMillion vacated his seat on the council. Mayor Stanley administered the oath of office to Jack Leavenworth and City Secretary Barbara Alavarado administered the oath of office to Mayor Jeffrey Stanley.

Carolyn Cherry presented a report on the project at Memorial Park that Cub Scout Troop 45 is planning to finish by July 4th weekend. She presented information on the funds received and asked the city to give the remaining money needed to finish the project.

Sam Haigis motioned to approve the funds in the amount of \$594 to finish the Memorial Park project. Dale Rideout seconded the motion and motion carried 4 Yes 0 No.

Jack Leavenworth made the motion and Sam Haigis seconded to approve expenditures for engineering fee and building inspection fees for the Howe Volunteer Fire Department. Motion carried 4 Yes 0 No.

Haigis made the motion and Leavenworth gave the second to award bid for expansion of Fire Department Building(s) to Eddie Langford. Motion carried 4 Yes 0 No.

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Howe Elementary Students of the month for May are: Faith Stallings and Yair Ayala (kindergarten), Emma Harvey and Eli Wilson (1st), Leah Butcher and Jackson Adkins (2nd), Cindy Torres and Lance Tumey (3rd), Zoe Watson and Levi Cavender (4th).

AR Goals 6th Six Weeks

Kindergarten: Paige Benum, Korie Bouse, Kai Brown, Jordan Brunner, Jentrie Doty, Connor Gauntt, Luke Hardy, Audie Martin, Brody McCollum, Eduardo Menjivar, Kolton Mitchell, Janna Nitchman, Zackery Petrea, Teagan Stubblefield, Antonio Tapia, Nathan Wooten, Yair Ayala, Breana Cole, Bryan Crees, Carson Daniels, Zachary Dorley, Tate Harvey, Alexander Huerta, Dalton Laisy, Trey Phillips, Cody Richards, Keira Robertson, Ariana Ross, DeMarcus Smith, Faith Stallings, Ethan Strunc, Dakota Tinker, Gabrielle Vera, Zoey Bolen, Jazmine Bookout, Chelsea Caughlan, Ethan Duer, Jesus Garcia, Daniel Gonzalez, Matthew Hayes, Hayley McEwin, Xavier Rangel, Tinley Sisemore, Stone Trevino, Madison Troxtell, Alexia Wakefield

First Grade: Sabian Acevedo, Jared Brussow, Michelle Caballero, Will Fleming, Kaitlyn Fuhr, Luke Lopez, Zoey Moore, David Rocha, Caleb Searcey, Alyssa Sharp, Avery Snapp, Kaleb Strong, Lilly Tumey, Trinity Williams, Harley Brockelman, Luke catching, Zak DeFrang, Payton Garrison, John Griffin, Emma Harvey, Kailyn Ireland, Ethan Lopez, Brooke Potter, Conner Record, Faith Risinger, Aiden Roulette, Linda Segura, Jaicob Husband, Jacob Adams, Jessica Bastida, Jaden Bryant, Luis Gonzalez, Jordan Troxtell, Ethan Turner, Caleb Wahrmund, Caytie Coco, Riley Griffith, Cierra Brussow, Alexis Gruszka, Ben Speed, Ricky Ramirez, Ashlyn Beck, Katie Parker, Eli Wilson, Jennifer Torres, Lindsey Hymel, Colby Hopper, Fenix Lugo, Ethan Conrad, Shelby Warren

Second Grade: Leah Butcher, Kiki Harvey-Toney, David Huerta, Jonathan Meneses, Camryn Adams, Erin Catching, Ashley Crees, Kamryn Gardner, Ethen Grant, Alex Hernandez, Sean Husband, Seth Key, Grace Lankford, Hunter Robertson, Kaytee Roper, Dylan Savage, Pablo Segura, A.J. Shue, Gage Streetman, Leah Trevino, Korbyn Thompson, Braeden Wise, Jackson Adkins, Alex Blount, Grace Brennan, Kayle Chapman, Ruvy Enriquez, Gabriel Hariman, Kriston Harris, Spencer Heft, Austin Jones, Cameron Lankford, Lizzy Robertson, Ethan Sanders, Reagan Troxtell, Kobi Zolfaghari, Mason Bearden, Mikal Ann Beck, Brett Burnett, Holly Cavender, Sierra Copeland, Abby Fesperman, Karrah Gardner, Katie Grogan, Tatum Hartsfield, Raul Hernandez, Luke Jackson, Remington Lowe, Brooke Robinson, Brennan Speed, Austin Thurman

Third Grade: Cassidy Anderson, Kaden Bateman, Dylan Cernero, Taylor Hinkle, Jenna Honore, Zane Hughes, Sarah Martin, Ty Trevino, Brian Timmons, Riley Underwood, Hunter Brussow, Jade Cox, Zoie DeFrang, Karsyn Fleming, Paetyn Ford, Ally Harvey, Braden Monroe, Lukas Peacock, Seth Smith, Caden Stewart, Cindy Torres, Molly Wilson, Kolby Windon, Destiny Wood, Nayely Ayala, Valerie Langford, Kacie Morgan, Waylon Musgrove, Raina Ross, Catherine Switzer, Colton Thurman, Ashlyn Wahrmund, Jackson Wilson, Bailey Bond, Ireland Bryant, Lane Griffin, Jarron Ing, Jodee Newland, Matthew Robison, Jacob Roper, Jade Travis, Eli Turner, Kaden Turner, Kirstyn Wheeler

Fourth Grade: Makayla Doty, Nathan Duffee, Gage Hendrickson, Quintan Allen, Dylan Foster, Bethany Masters, Colton Lowe, Mason Riggs, Zoe Watson, Kaysie Hall, Lane Stracener, Clayton Haynes, Kaylin Bouse, Joseph Brennan, Kindle Catching, T.J. Knight, Caleb Lankford, Taylee Moss, Kelsey Pierce, Spencer Akins, Kelsey Pierce, Taylee Moss, Levi Cavender



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May 3, 2011

Dear Community Partner:

In June 2010, Pack 45 Cub Scouts in Howe made a commitment to care for the Howe Memorial Park as a community service project. New flowers and plants have been planted and each month a different den has been taking care of the grounds. In addition, the boys have been working hard to raise funds to build a playground for the community to enjoy. The Cub Scouts have partnered with Pack 45 Charter Organization, Howe Volunteer Fire Department, and Boy Scout Tyler Olin. Tyler has graciously taken on the oversight of building the playground as part of his Eagle Project. He has already enlisted the help of several community members to construct the playground, once work is completed.

To date our boys have completed several projects. We are proud of our contribution to the park. Our playground equipment is being installed.

Update as of
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Thanks

We are asking
and would greatly
provide.

All checks should be made payable to Howe Pack 45, PO Box 671, Howe, Texas 75459.

Thank you in advance for your support.

Yours truly,

Carolyn Cherry
Committee Chair
Howe Pack 45 Cub Scouts
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Howe Scout Troop Pack 45 Howe Memorial Park Project

Howe Scout Tyler Olin has reached the monetary amount needed for his Eagle Scout project. On Tuesday, May 31, the Howe City Council voted to approve \$594 to pay for the gravel needed for the project.

Olin worked with Cub Scouts and Boy Scouts in Troop 45 to raise a total of \$4,000.

Fundraisers garnered \$1,236 while private donations amounted to \$770. Company donations added another \$1400.

Scouts offer a special thank you to all contributors. Business contributors were Independent Bank, M.E. Curtis, Magni-Fab, Pelley Law Office, Perot Foundation and Allison Insurance.

The project should be completed in the next month or so.



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Jessica Boren

Outstanding Soloist

Jessica Boren has been awarded an Outstanding Soloist medal for her performance last weekend at the UIL State Solo and Ensemble Contest. To put into perspective this enormous achievement; for Jessica's instrument, the trumpet, about 10 students will be receive the award this year for ALL schools in the state 1A-5A. Jason Matherly, Director of Bands, Tom Bean ISD, said "We are extremely proud to have a student of Jessica's immense talent in our program and hope you will join us in congratulating her on this great honor."



City Wide Garage Sale

City of Tom Bean will hold a city wide garage sale on Saturday, June 11, 2011.

The sales will run from 8 am to 5 pm. All residents, businesses, churches, and other fundraising groups are welcome.

June 6 the Map/Sale list will be ready and can be picked up at City Hall and KC Foods.

All fees/donations will be given to the Tom Bean Police Department for their yearly "National Night Out" in October.

For more information, contact Tammy Phillips, City Wide Coordinator, at City Hall, 903-546-6321 or cell, 903-818-9641

Tom Bean Friends of Library Corner

Book Sale

The Tom Bean Friends of Library are hosting a Book Sale, Saturday, June 11, 9 to 5 in the Community Room at the Tom Bean City Hall. They have a good selection of mystery authors including Patricia Cornwell, Sandra Brown, and James Patterson.

They will also have children's books available

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Van Alstyne Library News

By Tracy Luscombe

I'm overwhelmed at the welcome I have received from so many in the community as I begin my position as library director with the Van Alstyne Public Library. Juanita Hazelton will be sorely missed and I know I have big shoes to fill. Thank you for your patience as I learn all the new faces and names and procedures of this successful library.

This week we will welcome a new Children's Library Assistant. Her name is Emily Kendrick and she has experience in working with children in public libraries and local school systems. She'll be jumping in with both feet since our children are already out of school for the summer. Watch for more information on her in a future article.

Start your summer off right with a visit to the library this week. Tuesday we have crafts for children ages 6-13 from 11am – noon. Tuesday from 4-5 pm is bilingual storytime for ages 6-9. Meet the fire department on Wednesday from 10:15 to 11:15 am. Our children's movie will be shown Thursday 4-5 pm. If you're hitting the road for vacation, be sure to take a few books along with you.

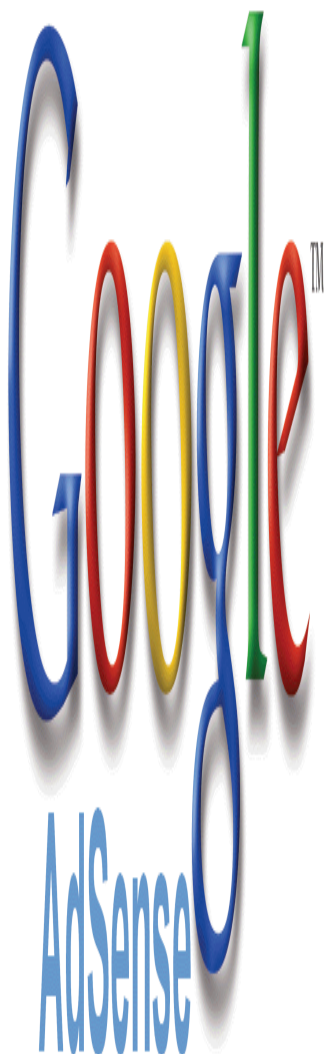
"Dig Up a Good Book" is this summer's reading program theme. It's time to register your child for the program. Read 5 books for your first prize. Complete Reader's Bingo for another prize. Read 25 books by July 9 for another prize. You don't want to miss out.

Van Alstyne Voices Toastmasters

(June 6) The regular meeting of the Van Alstyne Voices Toastmasters was called to order by M.J. Presley, Sergeant-at-Arms. Toastmaster of the Day was Juanita Hazelton. Merrill Hazelton spoke on "The Headless Horseman of the Mustangs," from the advanced manual, Storytelling. Table Topics Master Allison Presley called on Chuck Bardroff, M.J. Presley, Juanita Hazelton, and Merrill Hazelton to speak extemporaneously for two minutes on topics of her choosing. Merrill Hazelton was chosen as best table topics speaker. M.J. Presley was General Evaluator and also evaluator for Merrill Hazelton's speech.

A short business meeting followed. Members signed up for duty assignments for the rest of the month. Members are asked to consider running for new officer positions. New officer election will be on June 27. Area Governor M.J. Presley announced dates for officer training: Saturday July 9 at Presbyterian Hospital in Dallas, July 14 at the Bill Parrish Center in Dallas, July 21 at Collin College, and August 6, place to be determined. Van Alstyne Voices needs a meeting place for the next few meetings. Call Juanita Hazelton at 903-433-3093 for location of meeting on June 13.

Toastmasters International is a not-for-profit educational organization whose mission is to help people develop their communication skills. Toastmasters can help people build their self-confidence and develop speaking skills in a friendly, positive environment. Call Public Relations Officer Juanita Hazelton at 903-482-5991 for more information.



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Recycling Fund-raiser

Benefiting Mental Health Mental Retardation Services of Texoma
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Saturday, June 18, 2011
10:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.
510 South Mirick, Denison

**Recycle your old stuff and help MHMR Services of
Texoma.**

You do not have to live in Denison to donate. Everyone can recycle at this event. No matter where you live.

Items will be taken only on June 18. No pick-ups are available for individuals. Pick-ups can be scheduled for businesses with a large number of items. For pick-up scheduling and more information, call: 903-957-4865.

Items may be in any condition-damaged, non-working or fully operational.
Your donations help ensure proper recycling of e-waste and save valuable landfill space.
For your peace of mind, delete personal information from your computers and cell phones.

**Television sets, refrigerators, ranges, and microwaves
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COMPUTERS-Desktops, laptops, servers, monitors, keyboards, mice, speakers & all other computer components

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ENTERTAINMENT ELECTRONICS-Car & home audio equipment, satellite & cable boxes, VCRs, DVD players & recorders, headphones, & multimedia projectors

VEHICLES-Cars, trucks, boats, motorcycles, trailers, and RVs (**Must register on-line with www.BubbFund-raising.com before donating.)

ATV'S-Dirt Bikes, go-karts, 4 wheelers, 3 wheelers, & jet ski

PORTABLE ELECTRONICS-Cell phones, GPS devices, calculators, CD & DVD players, PDAs & MP3 players

VIDEO GAMES-Video games, systems, & accessories

SPORTING GOODS-Golf clubs & bags, athletic helmets & pads, baseball bats & gloves, basketball shoes, cleats, hockey sticks, ice skates, & roller blades

MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS-Guitars, percussion, strings, woodwinds, brass, & electric keyboards

HOME & GARDEN-Air purifiers, baby monitors, vacuum cleaners, power tools, electric razors, sewing machines, & medical equipment

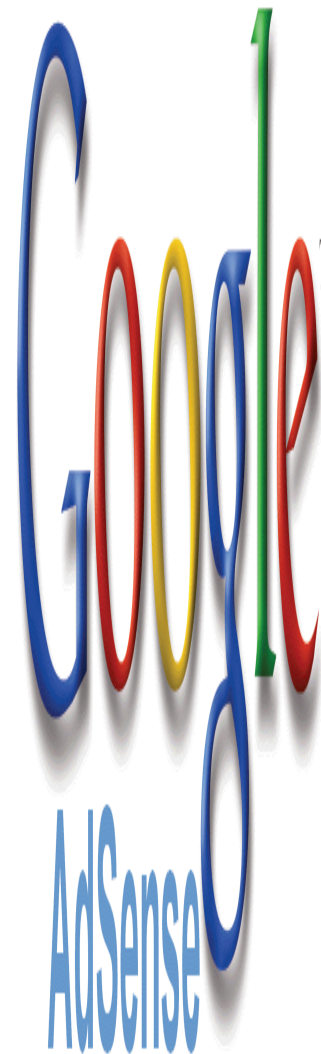
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COLLECTIBLES-Comics, figurines, trading cards, etc.

POTTERY, COOKWARE, GLASS, DINNERWARE-China, porcelain, art pottery, stoneware, etc.

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The Sound Of Music Closes SCP's Season

On Friday evening, June 3, the Sherman Community Players will be opening **The Sound of Music**, the final show in the theatre's 2010-2011 Season. Written and composed by Richard Rodgers and Oscar Hammerstein II, this uplifting musical comedy is based on the memoirs of Maria von Trapp. It tells the story of a widowed naval captain who falls in love and weds a postulant from a nearby abbey, sent to be the governess of his seven children. Set against the beautiful mountains of Austria on the eve of World War II, the family escapes the German invasion, flees to America and later becomes a world-famous singing family.

The show was written for Texas-born Mary Martin and originally conceived as a non-musical that would feature songs from the Von Trapp Family Singers. The producers decided to add an original song or two by Rodgers and Hammerstein, but soon realized the show should feature all new songs and be a musical rather than a play.

The award-winning production opened on Broadway in 1959 and was later adapted as a popular and beloved film starring Julie Andrews and won five Academy Awards. The show has had numerous revivals on Broadway and is one of the most widely produced musicals in the world. Songs from the

production include *My Favorite Things*, *Do-Re-Mi*, *Sixteen Going On Seventeen*, *Climb Every Mountain* and many more.

Heading the 36-member cast of the SCP production is local music teacher Laura Dominick as Maria, Sherman optometrist Jerry Gundersheimer as Captain von Trapp and Grayson College librarian Lisa Hebert as the Mother Abbess. The seven children are played by Lauren Fanning, Trey Alexander, McKenzie Baca, Rafe McConnell, Sarah McGinn, Lindsey Fanning and Zoey Griffith.

The production is directed by SCP artistic director Ron Cassady, assisted by musical director Fred Freeman who will also conduct the 17 member orchestra.

The Sound Of Music has performances on Thursday, Friday and Saturday evenings at 8 pm and Sunday afternoons at 2 pm through June 26. There will be a preview performance on Thursday evening, June 2 with all seats priced at \$5. Performances are held in the Finley Theatre at 500 N. Elm.

The box office opens for season members only on Monday and Tuesday, May 30 and 31 at 9 a.m. Tickets go on sale to the general public on Wednesday, June 1 at 10 am. The box office telephone number is 903-892-8818, and it is located in the Honey McGee Playhouse, located directly behind the Finley Theatre.

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Why I Fight Against Gun Control

Suzanna Hupp, former Texas State Rep and author of the book *From Luby's to the Legislature*, will be speaking on June 24 that Images of Dance, 519 W. Main Street, #102, Denison. Her talk about gun control and 2nd Amendment rights starts at 7 pm. A C&W dance follows the talk.

"I made the most stupid decision of my life when I decided, several months before the Luby's shooting, to stop carrying a revolver in my purse in the event that I would be caught and lose my chiropractor's license. That decision left me unarmed at the time when I most needed a gun. I'm not mad at the guy that killed 23 people that day. How can I be mad at a rabid dog? I don't blame guns. I blame politicians that legislated away my right to carry a gun to protect myself and my family."

This is Suzanna's story. It is the story of someone who experienced the tragedy of state mandated personal disarmament, and her decades-long fight against the elitist arrogance of those who would perpetuate by law a society in which the use of arms for personal defense is not allowed.

Suzanna helped author and pass Texas' concealed handgun law. She testified before the US Congress:
<http://video.google.com/videoplay?docid=-4069761537893819675>

She will sell and, of course, personalize a copy of her book for you. There will also be a silent auction and raffle. Look forward to an inspiring evening followed by fun and dancing.

This event is sponsored by the Texoma Patriots, a tea party organization serving Grayson and Fannin counties. For additional information, contact kaarent@verizon.net. Please join us.



55 and Counting: Exercising to Live

Come and join us on Tuesday, June 14 at noon as Heidi Howard, PT, DPT shows us ways to stay young and keep or get in shape. Research has demonstrated over and over the importance of taking the time to exercise no matter our age or the shape we are in. Dr. Howard will share with us ideas and show us how we can improve our lives and the quality of our lives by exercising.

Dr. Heidi Howard is the Texas Health Presbyterian -- WNJ's Clinical Supervisor of Therapy Services. She is a graduate of the University at Buffalo and Des Moines Osteopathic Medical Center. With over 13 years of diversified experience, Dr. Howard specializes in osteoporosis rehabilitation, is NDT certified and is also qualified to teach yoga.

P.I.E. (Partners in Education) programs are held each month on the 2nd Tuesday of each month and are free for any member of the community to attend.

This free program is Tuesday, June 14, from noon until 1 pm at the LIFE Center Specialty Hospital, 1111 Gallagher Road, Sherman.

Complimentary pie and coffee will be served at the seminar. The series is free and offered as a public service to anyone interested. Call Nancy Russell, from Home Hospice of Grayson County, 903-868-9315, Nora Habal from TCOG at 903-813-3506, Cheryl Brandon of Texas Health Presbyterian Hospital - WNJ at 903-813-8747 or Joyce White from the Texas AgriLife Extension Service at 903-813-4203 if you have questions.

The Area Agency on Aging, Home Hospice of Grayson County, LIFE Center Specialty Hospital, Texoma Council of Government, Texas Health Presbyterian Hospital - WNJ, and the Texas AgriLIFE Extension Service are delighted to provide this series free to the public.

This collaborative effort was designed to bring educational programs to our community free of charge. 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.



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McMahan Chapel
By Bob Bowman

The news that San Augustine businessman Jack Maund has contributed \$100,000 for a museum and events center at McMahan Chapel Methodist Church has focused new attention on one of East Texas' most historic churches.

Standing in a rural setting eleven miles east of Texas Highway 21 in Sabine County, McMahan Chapel is Texas' oldest Protestant church--160 years old.

When Texas was under Mexican rule and only Catholic churches were allowed, McMahan's Chapel was organized in 1833 as a Methodist Society by Rev. James Stevenson and met in the home of Colonel Samuel Doak McMahan. A year later the group became a Methodist church under the leadership of Stevenson.



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By Dorothy N. Fowler

The current education funding crisis is the result of poor tax policy promulgated by people who want first class roads, first class medical care, first class police and fire departments, and clean water but who don't want to pay for them. In Texas, any mention of taxes drives some people berserk.

The result of that attitude is that the legislature (that's the Texas state legislature), several years ago, made it impossible for local school districts to increase their revenue. Good sense would tell you that if new businesses come into the community or a new housing development is built, they would become part of an expanded tax base. Good sense would be wrong. Indeed, new businesses and new housing developments do increase property values, but when they do, the State of Texas reduces its contribution to the local school district in direct proportion to the tax value of the new business or housing development. There is no increase in revenue to the school district.

Reappraising and increasing the value of already existing property has exactly the same effect for a school district. And the tax rate for Texas school districts is capped at \$1.50 per \$100 of appraised value. Nearly all school districts in Texas long ago reached that cap.

In all honesty, I don't know why I'm writing this. Most people's eyes glaze over when they read or hear the facts because their minds have been clouded with what they want to believe is true. Their attitude is, "Don't confuse me with the facts. My mind is made up."

I am reminded of my teaching colleague who worked for 30 years as a radio sports broadcaster "so that he would be eligible for Social Security." No matter how often I told him that it was true that his outside work would make him eligible for Social Security and Medicare, he would probably not be able to draw more than 40 percent of what he would have earned in Social Security benefits had he worked at the petro-chemical complex instead of at Permian High School. That's because Texas and 13 other states don't pay Social Security taxes for teachers and other state employees.

Obviously no one should expect to get a Social Security check if s/he didn't make the required payments, but if s/he did, s/he should get the full amount. That's what any normal person would think, but as Molly used to say, "Just tain't so, McGee."

Point is this: no matter how many times I told my colleague about this, his eyes glazed over and he said, "That doesn't make sense. You are wrong!"

When he retired, several years before I did, he did have the grace to come by my classroom and say, "You were right. How come you aren't getting the word out?"



BOB BOWMAN'S

EAST TEXAS, continued

While Stevenson is credited with founding the church, it was Littleton Fowler, a Kentucky-born circuit rider whose missionary zeal brought fame to the birthplace of Texas Methodism.

Fowler was a circuit rider, a missions superintendent, chaplain of the Texas Senate, and a brilliant pulpiteer.

And, almost if he looked upon these as petty exploits, he rode and walked thousands of miles between the Sabine River and Texas to found new churches.

Licensed to preach the gospel in 1826, Fowler volunteered for service as a missionary to the Republic of Texas in 1836, but illness delayed his departure until 1837.

He arrived in time to help build the first church building at McMahan's Chapel. It became his headquarters for carrying the faith throughout the Republic, "even into pagan Houston."

At San Augustine in 1838, he stood on a cornerstone with Texas hero Sam Houston to dedicate the town's First Methodist Church. He wrote in his diary: "Since the birth of time, no cornerstone of a Protestant church has been laid between this and the Isthmus of Panama, the Pacific Ocean, and the southern extremity of the continent of South America."

That same year Fowler's evangelistic zeal dimmed when, as chaplain of the Texas Senate, he accompanied a band of politicians on a steamboat trip from Houston to Galveston.

In his journal, he wrote: "I saw men in high life...if what I saw and heard were a fair representation, my God keep me from such scenes in the future. On our return on Sunday afternoon, about half on board got wildly drunk and stripped to their linens and pantaloons...their bacchanalian revels and blood-curdling profanity made the pleasure boat a floating hell. I was relapsed from the trip and brought near the valley of death."

In 1846, after nine years in Texas, Fowler became ill while preaching at Douglass in Nacogdoches County. He was carried to his home at McMahan's Chapel and died on January 29 at the age of 43.

But he retained his fervency for the faith to the end.

As his wife leaned over his deathbed, he asked: "Who's there?" She replied, "Your unhappy wife."

"Ah," he said, just before he died. "I thought it was an angel."

Complying with his last wish, his followers buried his body under the pulpit of McMahan's Chapel and carved on his headstone these words:

"His native land, Kentucky. His adopted, Texas. His final home, Heaven."

(Bob Bowman of Lufkin is the author of almost 50 books about East Texas history and folklore. He can be reached at bob-bowman.com)

Dot's Dashes, continued

I am trying to get the word out and I am going to run this by you at least one more time.

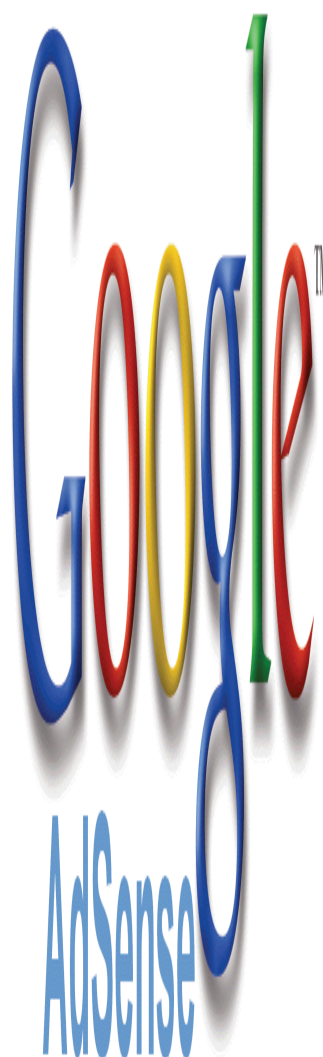
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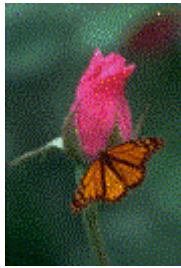
As we contemplate what may well happen to the Texas economy and to local economies as 75,000 to 100,000 teachers lose their jobs, please refrain from saying that teachers are getting paid too much because they get their summers off.

At least, if you are going to say it, don't say it to me.



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Comments Solicited on Refuge Feral Hog Control Program

Hagerman National Wildlife Refuge (Refuge) in north central Texas is proposing to expand feral hog control efforts on Refuge lands. As part of this process the public is being invited to provide early comments on potential issues or concerns that should be considered.

Feral hogs pose a serious threat to native wildlife and all refuge habitats. The goal of feral hog management on Hagerman NWR is to control the expanding population of feral hogs (*Sus scrofa*) by reducing their numbers to the extent possible. Successfully accomplishing this goal will result in less competition for food, water and space between feral hogs and native wildlife; reduce habitat disturbance; reduce destruction of nests of ground nesting species such as dickcissel, turkey, mallard, quail, reptiles and amphibians; and reduce damage to refuge roads, impoundments, streams, and farm fields through excessive rooting behavior feral hogs engage in while foraging for food.

This comment period is known as 'Scoping' under the National Environmental Policy Act. During scoping the Refuge is looking for general comments on the proposed feral hog control program. These comments will assist in determining the next course of action. Comments will be accepted until June 17, 2011. Comments should be sent to Kathy_Whaley@fws.gov or mailed to; Refuge Manager, Hagerman National Wildlife Refuge, 6465 Refuge Road, Sherman, Texas 75092

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Comments Solicited on Refuge Hunt Program

Hagerman National Wildlife Refuge (Refuge) in north central Texas is proposing to add quota permit feral hog and wild turkey hunting opportunities on Refuge lands. As part of this process the public is being invited to provide early comments on potential issues or concerns that should be considered.

The objectives of implementing feral hog and wild turkey hunting programs on Hagerman NWR are to provide the general public an opportunity to participate in priority, wildlife-dependent recreation. In addition, implementing a feral hog hunt will aid in reducing the population of this invasive and destructive species which will benefit refuge habitat and native wildlife. The proposed hunts will provide a high quality wildlife-dependent (hunting) experience in north Texas by offering an uncrowded, highly individualistic experience.

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How to Ensure Your Last Wishes Are Carried Out

By Philip Moeller

Retaining control over life decisions and maintaining dignity as the end of life approaches are top priorities for nearly everyone. These objectives can be achieved by good planning and the preparation of the proper directives under your state's laws. These safeguards have been greatly improved in many states in recent years. Still, experts say, few seniors have the right tools to make sure their end-of-life wishes are followed by family members and caregivers.

"There is some research out there that indicates that 90 to 95 percent of people think advance directives are a great idea," says Karen B. Hirschman, a research assistant professor who specializes in aging at the University of Pennsylvania. However, she adds, at most, 30 to 35 percent of people have actually developed such directives, and the total may well be less.

"Part of that is that in our society, we don't want to have these conversations," Hirschman says. "We don't want to talk about death and dying. Putting together a plan to some people seems very morbid."

People often think of such matters only when they or a family member are seriously ill. But if a stroke, dementia, or another incapacitating event occurs, it may be too late. If people cannot make decisions for themselves and do not have directives or a power of attorney in place, decisions may be made for them that they would never have agreed with if they had been able to decide.

Michael A. Kirtland, an elder care attorney in Colorado Springs, Colo., says there are two ways to make sure your final wishes are followed: One is through legal documents, and the second is by communicating your wishes to anyone who might be involved in carrying out those wishes should you become incapacitated.

"Everybody ought to have either a will or revocable living trust," he says, with the preferred document depending largely on applicable state law. "Everybody ought to have a medical power of attorney ... and everybody should have a living will." Several elder care lawyers in other states interviewed by U.S. News were not always in favor of living wills. But they all advocated a power of attorney for healthcare reasons, also called a healthcare proxy in some states. And some attorneys said they also recommended a separate power of attorney for property matters in addition to a healthcare proxy.

"The most important document they can have is the power of attorney for healthcare," says Kristi Vetri, who practices in O'Fallon in downstate Illinois and also in South Dakota. In creating this directive, "you have to rationalize in your own mind, if you can't make these decisions, what is the quality of life that you expect when you wake up? Once you get that quality-of-life decision made, that goes into the quality of care you want."

"Then I tell them, now I want you to put down what you want your loved ones to know," she says. Vetri recommends that people record their final wishes, on video if they're comfortable. Other attorneys stressed that people should communicate their wishes broadly. "It does no good to do these legal documents if you then hide them in a safety deposit box or put them on a shelf," Kirtland says. "By telling your loved ones your feeling on the subject," he explains, "you are more likely to get the kind of medical treatment you would prefer if you were making the decision."

"A lot of these documents have different names in different states," says Wendy Sheinberg, who practices on Long Island. In New York, the power of attorney cannot be used to make medical choices, she says, so a healthcare proxy is needed. "The healthcare proxy becomes effective at the time when you are unable to make medical decisions for yourself." However, the proxy is not limited to end-of-life situations. A living will, by contrast, does speak to end of life decisions, she explains. As such, it may include very specific wishes in the event a patient's condition is terminal and they are unable to speak for themselves.

The healthcare proxy, or power of attorney, leaves more specific decisions in the hands of the healthcare agent or advocate who you designate as your proxy. For this reason,

attorneys say, you should find someone (usually a family member) you trust who either agrees with your wishes, or at least promises to carry them out. Often, the agent is required to sign the healthcare proxy as well, to acknowledge an understanding and acceptance of his or her role.

"People have kind of an alarming tendency to believe after they've had a discussion with the spouse about their end-of-life preferences that their spouse understands what their end-of-life preferences is," says Sara M. Moorman, an assistant professor at Boston College's Department of Sociology and Institute on Aging. "It remains to be seen whether that is the case, and it probably isn't."

Moorman says seniors who confront end-of-life issues often discover that their wishes turn on whether their death is more about them or the loved ones they leave behind. "Do you care more about what happens to you?" she asks. "Or do you care more about what happens to your loved ones when you're about to die in a few days? It turns out that a lot of people's preferences for end of life have to do with not wanting to be a burden to somebody else."

The first, and often hardest, step toward creating final directives, experts agree, is having an extended conversation about how you want to be treated at the end of your life. Elder law attorneys say they may devote many hours to helping people not only select the right healthcare advocate but open up and seriously think about how they want to end their life. The discussion usually begins between spouses and spreads to other family members. But in the case of an older parent whose spouse has died, an adult child often triggers the discussion.

"They are very hard conversations to have, and they are important to have," Sheinberg says. "This can't be over the phone. You have to sit down with these people and say, 'I trust you, I love you, and I'd like you to be the person to make medical choices for me.' You have to really sit there and have that conversation." Family dynamics often make choosing the best advocate difficult, and a spouse or child simply may not agree with a person's final wishes or be able to carry them out when the time comes.

"Clients have weird thought processes," says Will Lucius, an elder law attorney who works at Paul A. Sturgul Law Offices in Hurley, Wisc. "Sometimes they will think child 'A' is too compassionate to make the tough health issues. Sometimes they go in order of age. Sometimes they try to balance them out."

Gregory S. French, an elder law attorney in Cincinnati, says he favors separate powers of attorney documents for healthcare and property because they require different attributes in an effective agent. "I often find the best advocate for care and wellbeing may not be the best person to manage finances, and vice versa," he says.

"The sad cases I see are people with debilitating conditions, and they wait and wait and wait," says Kirtland. "If people would come to me as their health issues are first discovered by their physicians ... then I can provide some help." If they wait until their decision-making abilities are compromised, however, they may not even be able to execute advance directives, and key decisions will be taken out of their hands.

"When their spouse is suffering from advanced dementia and they're looking at the door of a nursing home," Lucius notes, "they're not terribly interested in having a will or doing estate planning. They're trying to figure out how to come up with \$7,000 a month to afford the nursing home."

"I don't think you can ironclad final-care wishes," sums up Howard Krooks, who practices elder law in Boca Raton, Fla. "I think you can state what you want but then [you have to] cross your fingers. It's a question of whether the healthcare providers are on board with what you say you want done." The medical profession's goal to preserve and extend life may still be in conflict with end-of-life wishes.

"I think that that is starting to get stripped away, and the concept of dying with dignity is starting to take hold," Krooks says. "But it's going to take some time."



LETTER TO EDITOR

Presidential candidate's thoughts on family courts

I read that a contingent of Fathers and Families' Election Campaign 2012 activists recently attended the Portsmouth, New Hampshire Seacoast Republican Women's Breakfast with Newt Gingrich (see <http://www.fathersandfamilies.org/?p=16087>).

The presidential candidate was reminded that custody courts order most fit and loving fathers to live apart from their children. This is harmful to the kids and discriminatory to the dads.

Gingrich was asked for his thoughts on family court reform. In response, he criticized the family law system for its "extreme anti-male bias."

Gingrich was quoted as saying, "We live in an age that is very different than 50 years ago and I think that it is very often very important ... that we have a much greater sensitivity that both sides, both parents, both have rights and have responsibilities..."

Although family law is usually a State matter, Federal policy shapes local law by issuing (or withholding) reimbursement funds. For example, Washington gives millions of tax-payers' dollars to the Texas Attorney General for recording child support collections and disbursements. By law, if our AG accepts this hand-out for child support, he is forbidden to enforce the other part of every custody order, the child's right to see his dad.

If the Government's hand-out was tied to encouraging shared parenting arrangements and enforcing the noncustodial parent's period of possession, our children would benefit.

I would like to see other presidential candidates address the discrimination that dads face in custody courts. Our children are worth it!

Don Mathis, Sherman, Texas

Capitol Watch

By Larry Phillips, State Representative



Governor Calls for a Special Session

This past week, the governor issued a proclamation calling the Legislature back for a special session. May 31st was the opening day of the first called special session of the 82nd Legislature.

The Texas Constitution limits special sessions to a maximum of thirty days but does not limit the number of special sessions the governor can call. Although legislation considered during the special session is confined to the topics listed in the proclamation, the governor may expand the call to include additional topics at any time. There is no minimum amount of time that the Legislature must meet during a special session.

Items eligible for consideration are referred to as "the call." The call for this special session lists two items that the legislature may consider: legislation relating to fiscal matters necessary for the implementation of the budget, including measures that will allow school districts to operate more efficiently; and legislation relating to healthcare cost containment, access to services through managed care, and the creation of economic and structural incentives to improve the quality of Medicaid services. The governor can at any add items for consideration to the call at anytime. The governor recently added congressional redistricting to the call, and may add more.

The first special session ever called in Texas occurred following the 3rd regular session and lasted 26 days, beginning August 12, 1850 and ending September 6 of the same year. It was followed 73 days later by a second called special session. Following the 71st Legislature in 1989, there were six special sessions. Most recently, there was one special session following the 81st Legislative Session. Legislation was allowed on 153 topics during the 1st called special session of the 43rd Legislature and 72 topics during the 2nd Called Session of the 72nd Legislature. The 1st called session of the 38th Legislature met for only one hour and no legislation was enacted.

To view the governor's proclamation, please visit the website www.governor.state.tx.us/news/proclamation/12758 . You can 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.



TCOG Encourages Water Conservation

Texoma Council of Governments (TCOG) reminds citizens that water is a precious resource and offers some suggestions for water conservation this summer.

Water has been plentiful this spring but the time will come, as most Texans know, when we will be looking frantically for those few drops of water in July and August to refresh lawns and gardens. Each time we neglect that dripping faucet or forget about turning the sprinkler off, we waste one of the most precious resources we have. It's time to review our conservation habits and get a head start on preserving that precious resource before underground water and above ground impoundment levels begin to drop.

Water Conservation Suggestions:

*When washing dishes by hand, don't let the water run while rinsing. Fill one sink with wash water and the other with rinse water.

*Adjust sprinklers so only your lawn is watered and not the house, sidewalk, or street.

*Run your clothes washer and dishwasher only when they are full. You can save up to 1,000 gallons a month.

*Choose shrubs and groundcovers instead of turf for hard-to-water areas such as steep slopes and isolated strips

*Use the garbage disposal sparingly. Compost vegetable food waste instead and save gallons every time.

*Monitor your water bill for unusually high use. Your bill and water meter are tools that can help you discover leaks.

*Water your lawn and garden in the morning or evening when temperatures are cooler to minimize evaporation.

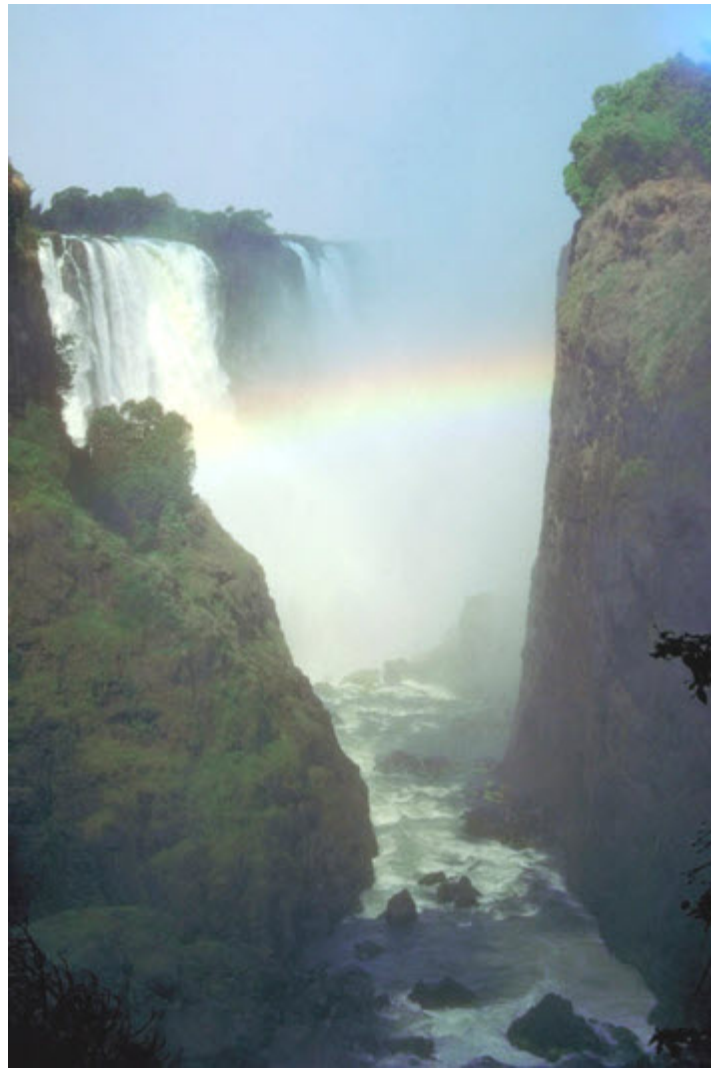
*Spreading a layer of organic mulch around plants retains moisture and saves water, time and money.

*If your shower fills a one-gallon bucket in less than 20 seconds, replace the showerhead with a water-efficient model.

*We're more likely to notice leaks indoors, but don't forget to check outdoor faucets, sprinklers and hoses for leaks.

*Don't overwater. A general rule is one inch, once a week, when needed.

The Texoma Council of Governments is a voluntary association of the local governments in Cooke, Fannin, and Grayson Counties. Established in 1968, the Texoma Council of Governments promotes economy and efficiency in the coordinated planning and development of the tri-county region through its community and economic development activities. Either directly, or through contractors, the Council provides housing, utility assistance, and weatherization services for low-income citizens in the region and assists the elderly through a variety of Area Agency on Aging programs. The Council also facilitates the delivery of grant funding for homeland security, criminal justice, and transportation needs.



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Selected Sites

[Texas Records and Information Locator \(TRAIL\)](#) searches and locates information from over 180 Texas state agency web services.

[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.

Christian Fellowship

A Christian Fellowship starts each Sunday morning at 9 am with coffee and doughnut fellowship, followed by classes for all ages at 9:30, worship service begins at 10:30. This week's service will be led by Mike Ball. So come join them for an inspiration service, dress is casual.

The church celebrates the Lord's Supper each Sunday morning during worship service. Praise and worship is led by David Ellis and is a contemporary style service.

The youth group will be having a garage sale at the church on June 18th from 8 to whenever. The sale will be held at the church at 150 Fellowship Road in Luella, lots of clothes and many different item, remember one man's junk is another man's treasure, so come on out and see what kind of treasure you can find.

The church offers home study groups throughout the week. Wednesday night begins with a pot luck dinner followed by praise and worship and a devotional.

The church is located on Hwy 11 in Luella, look for the red brick building with the green metal roof on the hill, the cross will light the way for you. For more information contact Mike Ball at 903-870-0219



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. The evening worship service begins at 6 pm. The Lord's Supper is given each Sunday.

The morning and evening lessons are brought by Kerry King with congregational singing lead by Charles Counts. 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 two radio programs each Sunday at 7:30am on KFYN 1420AM and KFYZ 93.5FM. The lessons are brought by A.C. Quinn.

The next Texomaland Summer Youth Series will be Tuesday June 14 at the Tom Bean church of Christ in Tom Bean, Texas. The theme this year is "Faithbook" with services beginning at 7:30 pm. Butch Balzen will bring a lesson on "Check-in: Where Are You?"

The Gospel of Christ news letter can be found at <http://www.thegospelofchrist.com/newsletter>.

Believers Recall Believers

By Dr. Lowell C. Howard

Romans 16:3-15 "Tell everyone with whom I have a witness that I remember them fondly. Priscilla and Aquilla work for Christ Jesus along with me. (4) These two actually put their lives on the line for me. In fact, they put their lives on the line for all of the Gentile believers who are also so grateful for them. Remember me to the church that meets at their house." (Cowboy and Stockyard - Practical Teaching Version - LCH)

There follows in this letter of Paul to the believers at Rome a list of several persons, both known to them and not known by them, who are significant to them and to the apostle Paul! How can anyone hope to list all of the important people to themselves in ministry let alone list all of those important to the ministry as a whole? Paul apparently lists people very important to him but people who have had a role in benefiting the work of God at Rome. With this in mind, Paul launched upon making a list of people to be remembered by the believers at Rome.

First, Paul made a general remark about desiring that God's people know that he remembers them fondly! Paul means to say that no one is beneath notice either to God or to him. He is, however, about to list all of these names, the names of people who have slipped into eternity but who still are remembered for the work of which they were a part. This is to say that every person is important in the work of the Lord! You may even add your name to this list because you are important to the Lord and His people today! Be found faithful to the Lord!

Local Churches

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BAPTIST CHURCH
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Dennis Stewart, pastor,
Sun School 9:45; worship, 11, evening 6; Wednesday,
7pm

Dorchester
DORCHESTER BAPTIST
CHURCH Hwy. 902W,
903/476-5525

Gunter
COLLEGE HILL
CHURCH OF CHRIST
304 E. College, 903/433-4835
FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
300 Pecan, 903/433-3335
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FELLOWSHIP
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903/532-6828; Roger Roper,
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903/532-6032
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903/532-6718;
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10 am, Worship 11 am
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Harvey Patterson,
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Luella
Mike Ball, 903/870-0219

Tom Bean

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903/546-6231
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CHURCH 903/546-6898
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PILOT GROVE



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Believers Recall Believers, continued

When Paul had first gone to Corinth he came across Priscilla and Aquilla, a married couple who plied the same trade of tent making as did Paul himself! Paul must have even stayed in their home as he worked with them. We learn that they had risked their lives for Paul, a fact apparently widely known to the believers in the churches. We find this couple listed six times in the New Testament. It is interesting that, out of the customary way of speaking of them, Paul places the name of Priscilla first in four of the six listings. Priscilla must have been an outstanding woman and an above the ordinary believer as well.

It is know that this couple was significant to the church at Rome! Paul remembers the 'church' which met at the home of Pricilla and Aquilla as having a great influence for the Lord. To host a 'church' says much about these early believers and about their commitment to the Lord. Paul lists five such 'groups' of believers who were meeting but this group who met with this couple is the only one he called a 'church.'

From verse 5 to verse 15 of this chapter, Paul lists 14 people and four 'groups' (some by names) of people to whom this letter was being addressed! The believers are listed because of being first in faith (believing the message of Paul early on and remaining a friend to the Gospel and to Paul to the moment of writing this letter), because of conspicuous service to the Lord, for enduring imprisonment for their faith and remaining faithful to God through

it all, and for being true to the Lord in spite of being slaves, owned by other human beings (but men who were free in their heart through faith in Jesus Christ).

Listed are poor people, important people, relatives of Paul, Hebrew believers, Gentile believers, freed slaves and those called 'hard workers for the Lord!' Individuals and whole households of people are referenced, something that would be out of character to say in any other time, because believers who were head of the house were just that, even in spiritual things.

Your name is important! For what will your be remembered? Are you a person of faith and works who would 'make the cut' to be remembered gratefully by a former pastor as a friend to God and to them? Are you investing in a heavenly legacy even as you labor in spiritual anonymity? Lay by a good and faithful service and know that you will be long remembered with joy!

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DAY SAINTS

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FRIENDSHIP UNITED

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WESTERN HEIGHTS CHURCH OF CHRIST

800 Baker Park Dr.,

903/892-9635, Sun. 10

CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE,

601 Hwy. 1417, Pastor,

Rev. Mack Rogers

RED RIVER

COWBOY CHURCH

3800 Hwy. 691 (w of Hwy. 75); Novice Northington,

903/463-5840

Van Alstyne

COMMUNITY BIBLE CHURCH

Northwest corner Hwy 5 & County Line Rd.

CHURCH OF CHRIST

105 Hopson,

Shannon Jackson, minister,

903/482-6033

EAST SIDE

CHURCH OF CHRIST

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minister; worship 11am

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903/482-6356

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CATHOLIC CHURCH

Father Stephen W. Bierschenk, 972/562-0752

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EPISCOPAL

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Neighborhood Genealogist - How to Preserve Records

by Dale Rideout

By now you have started to gather a fair bit of information. You have many names with their relationship to you along with birth and death dates and places. You have marriages and children and with some luck you are beginning to gather family stories. This is all your history and important to you and your family. How do we keep it all in order.

The most obvious choice is with a computer. There are many computer programs that are designed specifically for genealogy. Most of them range from about \$30 to over \$100. They all do about the same thing, but each one will have its own bells and whistles. Let me suggest that you not buy any one until you know which would suit your needs best. Do a lot of study about each one and just what you want your computer program to do for you. Check the bells and whistles so that you learn just what you want most in your program before purchasing any of them.

In the meantime, you can download Personal Ancestry File from FamilySearch.org. Got to the website. Click on "Go to Previous version." on the right-hand side about 1/2 way down the screen. When the new page opens, look on the right hand side for "Free PAF Family History Software." Near the bottom of the paragraph click on the words, "download PAF." Answer the questions and register for FamilySearch.org. You will download the software free and can begin your lifelong quest.

You should also keep a paper copy of everything you collect. I suggest using a simple three ring notebook with dividers. All of your Family Group Sheets, and Ancestry Sheets can be punched with a three hole punch and saved in that notebook. You will also have a minimum of eight sections for family names (surnames.) I suggest eight because that will take you back through your great-grandparents. As you have

success with your research, you can add more dividers for more surnames.

Choose you own method of organizing the records as you find out which information you most easily can acquire. You may want to file them by last name, alphabetically and then by year of birth with the newest records first and oldest ones last. This is all just a matter of choice and you may change it as you gain more information over the years.

When your binder gets full, then simply add another one, dividing the information between them. You can continue to add binders almost forever. One thing I would suggest is that you invest in some acid free paper, and pens designed for long lasting images. As you are doing your research you will find pages that have faded and the paper and ink have a lot to do with this fading.

Another thing to keep in mind is to "back-up" your work. I have my family history on four computers and several websites. I must admit that I have not made extra copies of my paper files. Do as I say not as I do. Keep a set of the files as well as your computer records at some location away from where you keep your research. I do not wish to scare folks, but a house fire could wipe out all your work. While some things can be replaced, your photos and records cannot, unless you have duplicates somewhere else.

As for your computer, let me tell you a little story. I have a friend who was working on her doctorate degree. She had all her information on her computer, including her dissertation. None of it was backed up and none of it was in paper form. One day a thief broke in and stole her computer. It was easy to get a new computer, but there was months of work in the research and writing of her dissertation. It all had to be done over. Back up your files. See you next month with more ideas about genealogy.



Animal welfare: Consumers accept no excuses for livestock abuse

By Mike Barnett

Some in agriculture continue to be bewildered by assaults on livestock operations by animal rights groups. I'm not sure why. The activists' goal of vegan lifestyles for everyone is no secret. As long as animals are mistreated, they're going to be on the lookout with video cameras.

A harsh reality for Texas livestock producers is recent documentation by animal activists of young calves being knocked in the head with hammers and pickaxes. This case of animal abuse has knocked another chunk out of farmer and rancher credibility.

Explanations have been offered for the incident which happened on a dairy calf feedlot in the Texas Panhandle. Extreme cold earlier this year had the owner hustling to feed and care for his calves. He had to immediately hire additional employees to help out.

Some of the calves suffered from extreme frostbite. They needed to be euthanized.

According to the owner, a rifle was available that day for a gunshot to the head -- an accepted euthanasia procedure for cattle. The unacceptable practice of pickaxes and hammers was used by the new employees instead.

All of it was captured on video that was released by the animal rights activist group Mercy for Animals. The images were horrifying.

The owner of the operation has stepped up and accepted full responsibility, as he should. He and his ranch manager were charged last week with a Class A misdemeanor for cruelty to livestock. Five employees -- long since gone -- have been charged with state felony for cruelty to livestock.

Extenuating circumstance? Does it matter?

Ignorance? Does it matter?

Bad decision? Does it matter?

Consumers accept no excuses.

The real loser is the industry. One brief moment on one Texas operation -- and other incidents across the nation -- cause considerable trouble for all livestock producers.

Examine your operation. What kind of decisions are you making? Are you aware of how your employees treat livestock? Do you follow established protocols? Are you taking shortcuts?

We as individuals, and as an industry, need to do better jobs of tending to business. Proper care and treatment of livestock is of huge interest to consumers, and should be our number one concern as well.

It's an individual responsibility, 24-7 -- not because a video camera might be watching -- but because it's the right thing to do.

Visit the Texas Farm Bureau website at www.txfb.org.

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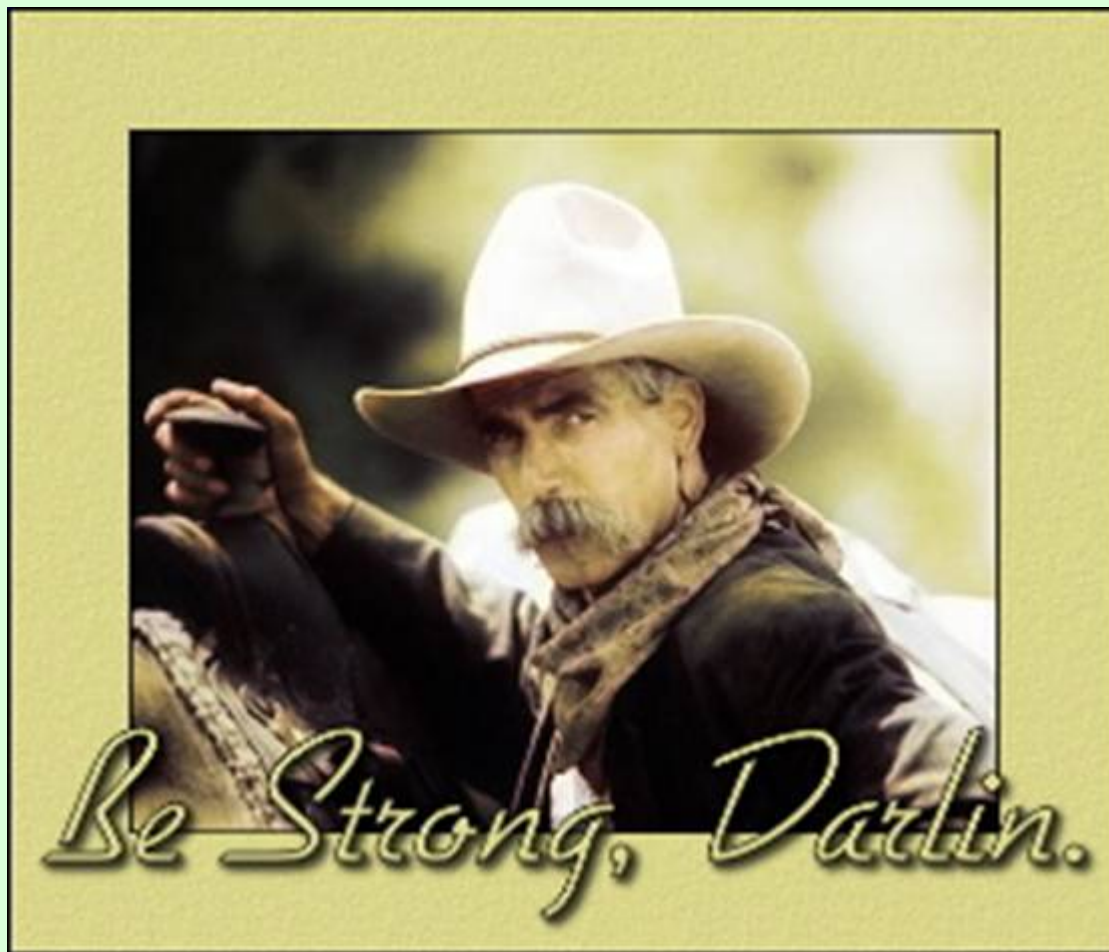
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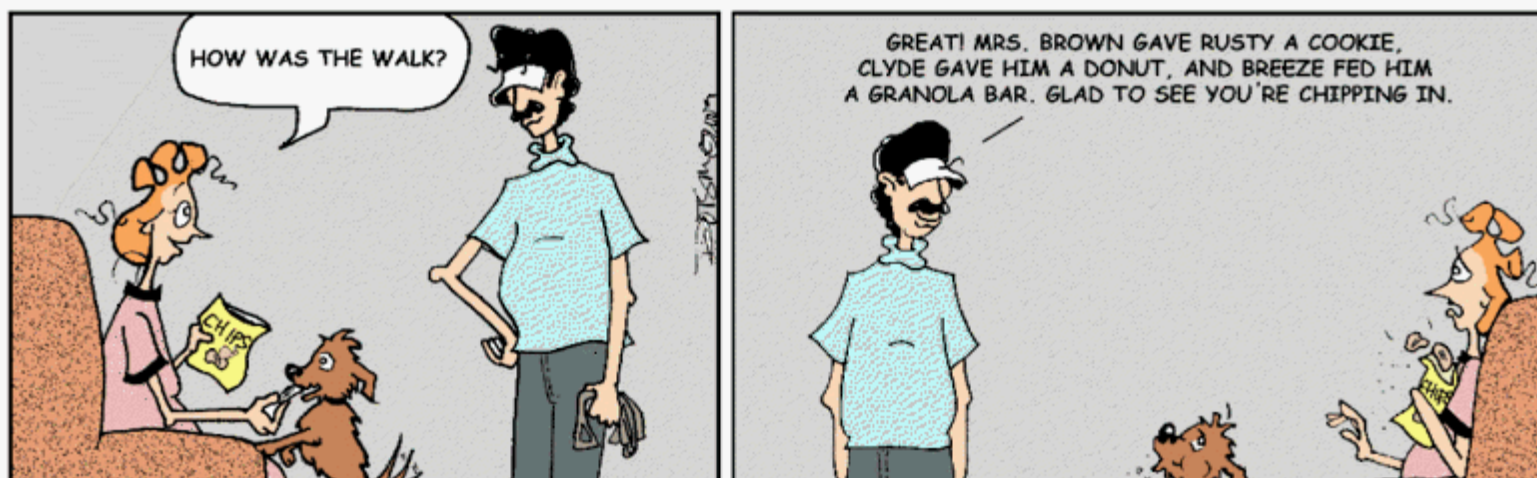
THE GRANDSON DID THIS RELIGIOUSLY TO THE AGE OF 103 WHEN HE DIED. HE LEFT BEHIND 14 CHILDREN, 30 GRANDCHILDREN, 45 GREAT-GRANDCHILDREN, 25 GREAT-GREAT-GRANDCHILDREN, AND A 15-FOOT HOLE WHERE THE CREMATORIUM USED TO BE.

Sorta brings a tear to your eye, don't it?

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Cat Chat



by C. Cat Jr.

We're Not So Stupid - Ad Men

Well Folk, I am going to take a little time to visit you. It has been a while since I set my pen to paper and gave you an epistle. You know by now that Old Man has been ill, and slowed down. He is beginning to do better, but still going quite slow. He claims he has never gotten so tired of watching TV.

Well, while Old Man watches TV, so do I. I have told you in past letters how stupid some of the TV commercials are. Some are intentionally stupid and that is fine because they catch your interest and do draw your attention to the product or service being advertised. What I declare as BAD are commercials that are stupid, while not intending to be stupid.

I am convinced that those who write many of our TV commercials think the average population is themselves stupid. Why else would they try such stupid stuff? Let me give you just one example. I do not know who wrote it, but it is for a local restaurant.

Ok. Now read closely. The commercial says, *"Why not do something different and skip the fast food for lunch today. Stop by for one of our Express Grill lunches."*

Now, are you ready to buy that? Just what does "Express" mean? It is usually tied in to the idea of a fast delivery, bypassing extra stops and making a direct line to its destination. In other words it is fast. Rewrite the commercial. *Why not do something different and skip the fast food for lunch today. Stop by for one of our fast food lunches.*

So now, how do you feel. That commercial writer thinks you are stupid and do not know that express means fast. You see the same thing over and over with the many commercials on television. Why can't those writers realize that we do have at least a modicum of intelligence?

We, I now have that little bug out of my system. I have been waiting for several weeks to pass it on to you and have seen that commercial many times. Now, I have not been to that restaurant. I do not know whether it is good or not. But that commercial will not take me there. I may go, but it will be with some other encouragement.

By the way, while Old Man has been sick, he has been doing a lot more research on his family tree. He keeps learning more and more interesting things. If you have not yet tried searching your tree, give it try. You will love it or hate it.

Well, I will let you go for now. Have a good week. See you later.



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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



"Santa", Amber, Dominique, Timothy, Jordan, Rachel, Caleb, Chris, Cassie, Brianna, Lana



"Santa" Rideout

