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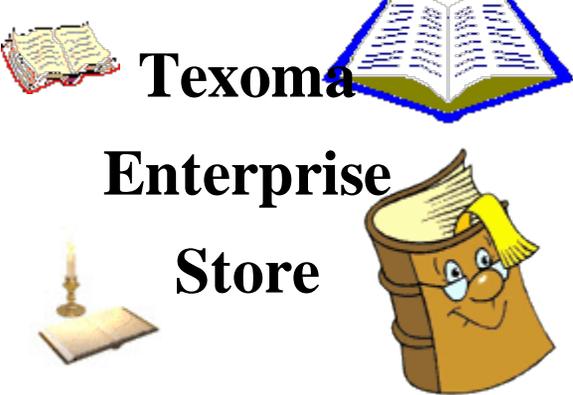
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## Area Students Invited to GCC Welding Rodeo Preparatory Event

Grayson County College's first Welding Rodeo - presented in March 2011 with community support from area industries - garnered the attention of the National Endowment for the Arts. The federal agency invited GCC to apply for a \$10,000 matching grant, which was awarded in September. Funds will be used to support the 2012 Welding Rodeo in April as well as a preparatory event in December.

Teams from area high schools are invited to participate. Targeting career tech welding students, ages 16-18, the GCC Welding Rodeo affords students the opportunity to showcase their unique welding skills and encourages them to seek post-secondary skills development.

"There is a significant need for trained and employable welders in the Texoma region," said Greg Beckley, director of welding technology at GCC. "Area industries have expressed an enthusiastic desire to sponsor and participate in this event to promote awareness of these opportunities."

The 2012 Welding Rodeo's theme will be announced during the Pre-Rodeo Design Workshop, a special preparatory event on Dec. 7 that includes art and welding instruction as well as an artists' exhibition. Teams must register to participate in the free workshop. All events will take place on GCC's Main Campus in Denison.

The workshop features four seminars: thumbnail sketch design; 3-D drawing, including the creation of a maquette (sculpted cardboard art piece); refined drawing; and welding safety. The art courses are taught by Steve Black, a professor of fine arts and humanities at GCC; welding safety instruction is taught by Beckley. The NEA grant provides students with art supply kits to plan their competition designs for the Welding Rodeo. Following the seminars, area artists will present an exhibition of metal sculptures. The exhibition includes a general session in which each artist describes their unique sculpting techniques.

"The artistic educational components were not offered to students or instructors during the first welding rodeo," Black said. "By incorporating instruction and discussion on design, we expect students will gain greater knowledge and appreciation regarding the artistic concepts of the Welding Rodeo."

After completing the preparatory workshop in December, students will have several months to work on their designs for the 2012 Welding Rodeo, set for April 27. The one-day competition will focus on both team and individual creations. Scholarship awards are presented to the first-second- and third-place winners. Proceeds from the event's auction of final designs will benefit the welding scholarship fund for future events.

"Input from a planning committee of college faculty, industrial sponsors, high school instructors, and students contributed to the event's achievements last year and is essential to the success of the 2012 event," Beckley said.

Several 2011 industrial sponsors including Lloyd Plyler Construction, Caterpillar (formerly Bucyrus), Airgas, and Vector Systems Inc. are interested in participating again, but more are needed. Specific sponsor contributions can be cash donations and/or in-kind support such as donated metal, generators, tents, refreshments, meals, supplies, and professional donated time.

To register for the free preparatory event, or for more information about sponsorship or the 2012 Welding Rodeo, visit the GCC website at <<http://www.grayson.edu>> [www.grayson.edu](http://www.grayson.edu) or contact Janis Thompson, GCC's grant coordinator, at 903-463-8766 or <<mailto:thompsonj@grayson.edu>> [thompsonj@grayson.edu](mailto:thompsonj@grayson.edu).

## "It's Nothing Like CSI"

*Forensic Analyst Lectures at Austin College*

SHERMAN, TEXAS -Televised crime dramas make it seem like lab technicians work in trendy darkened rooms, often are called to crime scenes, and can find the DNA evidence to put any criminal away for good-but forensic analyst Amy Smuts '95 said her job isn't much like that.

"We don't do things like they do on TV," she said. "I don't watch the show [CSI] because it makes me angry. That's not what my life is like!"

Smuts gave her lecture, "The Many Trials of a Forensic Analyst," to a full room at Austin College on October 27. The lecture is part of a series in the College's "Century of Science" celebration of the past 100 years of science education at the College.

Just because her job isn't the same as television dramas, doesn't mean it is dull. Smuts, who works at the Center for Human Identification at the UNT Health Science Center in Fort Worth, processed evidence and testified in six cases in the infamous "Yearning for Zion" trials. She processed the paternity test that proved Yearning For Zion leader Warren Jeffs was the father of a child of a 15-year-old girl.

"We had to be escorted by armed Rangers in and out of the courthouse," Smuts said of the trial. Jeffs "didn't ask me any questions, but objected quite a bit, mostly on religious grounds that didn't make much sense."

Jeffs was convicted of sexual assault and aggravated sexual assault, with a sentence of life in prison.

This month, the missing persons unit in her office began testing the remains of eight victims of serial killer John Wayne Gacy, trying to identify the last few unknown victims. She said testing is in process and will continue for several weeks.

Smuts earned her bachelor's degree in biology from Austin College. Her mentor, professor of biology Peggy Redshaw, welcomed Smuts back to the College, and said she was happy to see her former student thriving in the field.

Austin College is a leading national independent liberal arts college located north of Dallas in Sherman, Texas. Founded in 1849, making it the oldest institution of higher education in Texas operating under original charter and name, the college is related by covenant to the Presbyterian Church (USA).

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## Howe's That

by Lana Rideout

Big news this week in Howe is another trip to the State Class 2A Marching Band contest in San Antonio.

Howe's band has long been excellent, winning many trophies and honors ... both for individual student and the band as a whole.

When my children were in the band, my husband and I went to just about every band competition.

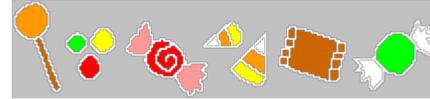
Some of our grandchildren have also already participated in winning band performances.

On Monday, two of our grandchildren -- Dominique and Brianna Rideout -- will take the field with the 2011 Marching Band.

Good luck to the HHS Band. We know you will do your very best. You are always winners with the citizens of Howe!



## Recipe



### Applesauce Gingerbread

We topped this with whipped cream and dusted it with cinnamon. You can also serve this with delicious brandy sauce poured over it.

- 1 cup melted butter
- 1 cup firmly packed brown sugar
- 1/2 cup molasses
- 2 large eggs
- 1 cup applesauce
- 2 cups all-purpose flour
- 2 teaspoons baking soda
- 2 teaspoons ground ginger
- 1 teaspoon ground cinnamon

Preheat oven to 350°F. Grease and flour a 9x13-inch baking dish.

Combine melted butter, brown sugar and molasses in bowl. Add eggs, one at a time. Stir in applesauce and beat well.

Sift the flour, baking soda, ginger and cinnamon into the batter. Mix thoroughly.

Pour into the prepared baking dish, and bake for 35 minutes, or until a toothpick inserted in center comes out clean. Remove from oven and allow to cool for 5 minutes. Turn out onto a wire rack and cool completely.

Makes 15 servings.

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## Teacher and Students of the Month

Howe High School recently selected a teacher and students of the month for October. Receiving the teacher award was three-year Howe High School veteran and World Geography instructor and coach **Debbie Venteicher**. Originally from Richardson, Texas, Mrs. Venteicher attended Briar Cliff University in Sioux City, Iowa, and played volleyball on the college team. She and her husband, Cole, met at Briar Cliff where he played soccer. In their spare time, the Venteichers participate together on an indoor soccer team.

Representing the freshmen and sophomores is sophomore **Emily Dawsey**. The daughter of Bruce and Jackie Dawsey, Emily has attended Howe schools for eleven years and currently plays clarinet for the Howe High School marching band. In her spare time, Emily enjoys reading, listening to music, playing board games, and camping. The junior-senior representative is senior **Madison Wilson**. The daughter of Stacey and Kevin Wilson, Madison has attended HISD for twelve years and participates in volleyball, basketball, golf, FFA, and band. In her spare time, Madison enjoys hanging out with friends and watching movies. Madison plans to attend college and major in elementary education.



Howe Elementary "Top Dogs" for the week ending October 28th are: Taylor Hinkle, Caiden Harmon, Madison Kenney, Jason Hunnel, Karrah Gardner, Ethen Grant, Aiden Roulette, Jaryn Grisham, Zak DeFrange, Luke Catching, Morghan Lamb, Edith Hernandez, Nicole Garcia, Matalee Stewart, and Morgan Pitt.



HHS teacher and students of the month. Picture from left to right is students Emily Dawsey and Madison Wilson, with teacher Debbie Venteicher.

## Howe ES/MS Menus

Nov 7-11

### Breakfast

**Monday** – Cinnamon roll, cereal/toast, graham crackers w/yogurt, pineapple, apple juice

**Tuesday** – Waffles/sausage, cereal/toast, fresh apple, orange juice

**Wednesday** – Oatmeal w/cinnamon toast, cereal/toast, graham crackers w/yogurt, Shamrock applesauce, grape juice

**Thursday** – Breakfast pizza, cereal/toast, fresh grapes, orange juice

**Friday** – French toast, cereal/toast, graham crackers w/yogurt, diced peaches, orange juice

### Lunch

**Monday** – Cheeseburger or stuffed potato/ham boat, burger fixins, potato chips, ranch beans, pineapple, chocolate pudding

**Tuesday** – Beef fingers or crispy chicken salad, mashed potatoes/gravy, green beans, fresh apple, hot roll, gelatin jewels

**Wednesday** – BBQ rib sandwich or hot ham cheese sandwich, burger fixins, raw cauliflower, pinto beans, Shamrock applesauce, sugar cookie

**Thursday** – Sausage pizza or laid back lasagna/toast, tossed salad, corn cobbette, fresh grapes, frozen fruit bar

**Friday** – Soft beef tacos or chicken enchiladas, garden salad, refried beans, diced peaches, Spanish rice, Veterans Day cups

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## Math Blast -First 6 Weeks

**Kindergarten:** Clayton Duree, Dakota Fetzer, Caden Garner, Zarrion Johnson, Cooper Jones, Kayley Laubhan, Ryleigh Jenkins, Jace Martin, Cheyenne Mathews, Gracie Max, Brooklyn McCaleb, Paris Menjivar, Lucas Mitchell, Rilyn Murphy, Jenna Roper, Jonathan Smith, Gage Troxtell, Riley Troxtell, Courtney White, Mia Wilson, Cassie Morrison, Shianne Freeman-Williams, Jesse Portman, Haley Richardson, Nathan Wooten, Charlie Vera, Kenneth York, Kade Murphy, Emry Woods, Dax Foster, Sandra Nitchman, Ashton Trevino, Matalee Stewart, Kolin Murphy, Emma Hitesman, Cody Adams, Zoey Bolen, Morigan Booth, Ryleigh Craven, Ainsley Denham, Kendall Griffin, Willie Husband, Mikaylah Komoroski, Thomas Roberson, Zadrion Morris, Casie Adams, Catelyn Armstrong, Jayden Bookout, Ebenezer Chawn, Keyshun Toney, Anthony Gardner, Garrett Gibbs, Jaycie Grisham, Jaeden Howard, Kelcey Ireland, Alex Jones, Kolton Mitchell, Zeb Montgomery, Jacob Ortega, Autumn Owens, Emery Snapp, Payton Stapleton, Mahlon Walker

**First Grade:** Caleb Fetzer, Jaggar Courtney, Kristopher Craig, Bryan Crees, Bettye Delavan, Daniel Gonzalez, Danielle Hargrove, Matthew Hayes, Korben Kemp, Dalton Laisy, Morghan Gifford Lamb, Jacob McGill, Donna Mendoza, Madison Morrow, Zackery Petrea, Kolby Smith, Faith Stallings, Teagan Stubblefield, Yair Ayala, Matthew Bearden, Mackenzie Bryant, Britton Burt, Vel Chin, Jentrie Doty, Hunter Hance, Tate Harvey, Ryan Hough, Kaylee Jones, Eli Lewis, Colton Little, Samantha Lowder, Cody McGill, Janna Nitchman, Keira Robertson, Ethan Strunc, Zander Toner, Jacob Upchurch, Korie Bouse, Jordan Brunner, Carson Daniels, Ethan Duer, Connor Gauntt, Christina Harper, Edith Hernandez, Jalie Hill, Audie Martin, Connor Martin, Landon Oswald, Taylor Reynolds, James Richardson, Sergio Rico, Emma Sutherland, Antonio Tapia, Kaiden Martin, Ariana Ross, Leo Becerra, Paige Benum, Jazmine Bookout, Kaylyn Bryant, Kelly Caballero, Breana Cole, Jesus Garcia, Andrew Harper, Renee Howard, Alexander Huerta, Kaylee Hunnel, Chesnee Lawson, Trey Phillips, Cody Richards, Dakota Tinker, Stone Trevino

**Second Grade:** Kevin Bateman, Cierra Brussow, Luke Catching, Louis Gonzalez, Emma Harvey, Austin Jones, Luke Lopez, Zoey Moore, Ryan Murphy, Alyssa Sharp, Gavin Richardson, Caleb Searcey, Talen Miller, Jaicob Husband, Jaden Bryant, Jaryn Grisham, Trinity Williams, Ramie Mosse, Michelle Caballero, Stanley Bik, Ethan Conrad, Jessica Bastida, Jared Brussow, Zak DeFrange, Will Fleming, John Griffin, Ethan Lopez, Katie Parker, Parker Pecina, Avery Snapp, Ban Speed, Caleb Wahrmond, Eli Wilson, Paige Gifford, Alexis Gruszka, Ethan Turner, Riley Griffith, Kailyn Ireland, Caytie Coco, Kaleb Strong, Aiden Roulette, David Rocha, Kaitlyn Fuhr

**Third Grade:** Jackson Adkins, Alexandra Blount, Mariana Cano, Erin Catching, Sierra Copeland, Tatum Hartsfield, Alex Hernandez, Cameron Lankford, Jonathan Meneses, Lizzy Robertson, Braeden Wise, Kriston Harris, David Huerta, Mason Moreau, Austin Thurman, Grace Brennan, Leah Butcher, Holly Cavender, Hannah Dwyer, Kamryn Gardner, Ethen Grant, Izaiah Lee, Remington Lowe, Kendell Posey, Ethan Sanders, Gage Streetman, Destiny Wood, Katie Grogan, Courtney Hopper, Grace Lankford, Brennan Speed, Laine Watson

**Fourth Grade:** Kira Allen, Cassidy Anderson, Nayely Ayala, Kaden Bateman, Hally Bollier, Bailey Bond, Ireland Bryant, Ethan Chambers, Jade Cox, Robin Cung, Zoie DeFrange, Ivonne Delgado, Layton Elvington, Logan Farrell, Karsyn Fleming, Paetyn Ford, Alli Gleason, Corbin Gleason, Lane Griffin, Caiden Harmon, Ally Harvey, Mary Henson, Taylor Hinkle, Jenna Honore, Kylie Hopper, Zane Hughes, Jason Hunnel, Jarron Ing, Madison Kenney, Valerie Langford, Kolbe Lappin, Arturo Lowder, Sarah Martin, Braden Monroe, Kacie Morgan, Jodee Newland, Lucas Peacock, Matthew Robison, Jacob Roper, Raina Ross, Ethan Sloat, Kaleigh Smith, Catherine Switzer, Jamie Taylor, Colton Thurman, Brian Timmons, Danaeja Toney, Kadie Toney, Ty Trevino, Kaden Turner, Hailey Upchurch, Bethany Van Deren, Ashlyn Wahrmond, Maci Watson, Magi Watson, Kirstyn Wheeler, Jackson Wilson, Molly Wilson, Kolby Windon



## Howe Elementary October Students of the Month

Pictured are: Kindergarten students, AinsleyDenham and Dakota Fetzer; 1st Grade students, Kori Bouse and Dakota Tinker; 2nd Grade Students, Emma Harvey and Colby Hopper; 3rd Grade Students, Laine Watson and Cameron Lankford; 4th Grade Students, Hally Bollier and Jacob Roper

## Howe Band Going To State

The Howe High School Marching Band has done it again. They are going to the State finals and will compete among Monday, Nov. 7, at San Antonio.

The Howe Band has a tradition of winning big. They won the contest in 1995 and 1997. They took second place in 1999 and 2001.

Band Director Angie Cavender participated as a student in the HHS Band back several years ago and now leads the efforts of the Howe Band in keeping with their quest for another State win.

Juniors and seniors in the band are eager for the win and the freshmen and sophomores are also looking forward to that victory.

Led by Drum Major Travis Fulton, the band will take the field with 71 band members. Ten of those band members are seniors. Including Fulton, who remember the thrill of standing in the tunnel at the Alamodome two years ago when they competed at the state competition.

The program, which was to be performed Friday night, Nov. 4, during halftime, includes some of Kikolai Rimsky Korsakov's "Flight of the Bumblebee" and "Scheherazade" along with several other Russian pieces.

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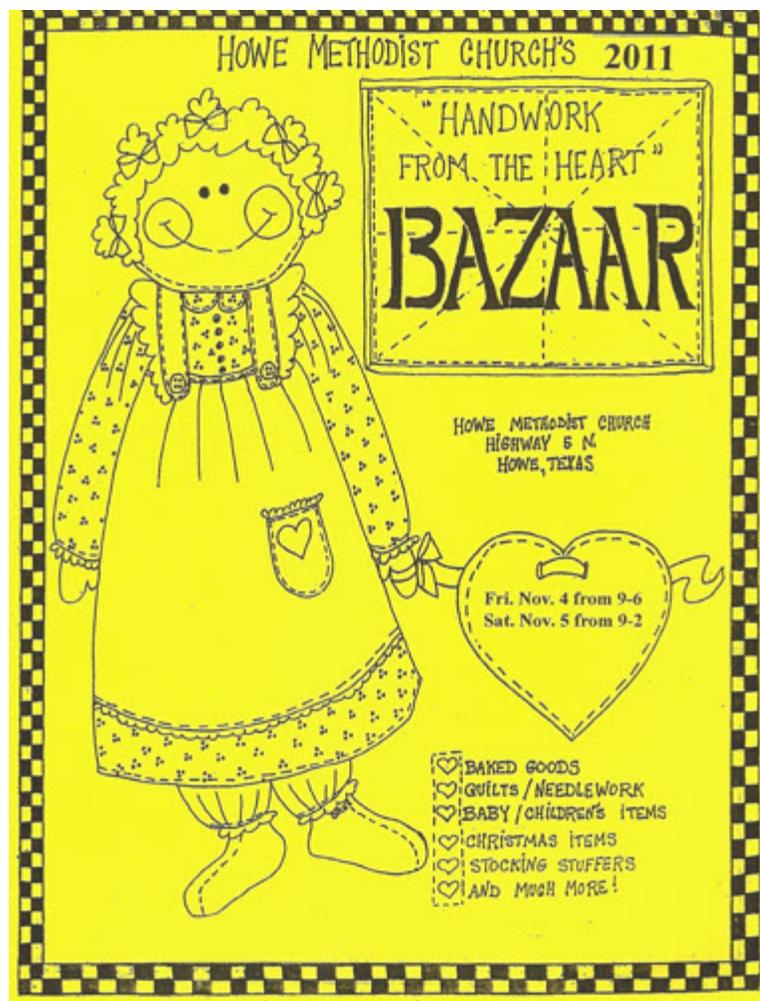
## Howe Library

### Libri Grant received by the Howe Library

The Howe library recently received \$1400 worth of new books from a matching grant provided by the Friends of the Howe Library and the Libri Foundation. The collection included a variety of children's books including math and science titles. The grant also included a number of children's books in Spanish. These books have been paired with matching English titles to create book kits. The kits will be available for parents in the library's ESL class to carry home. This will allow the parents to practice reading the English titles to their children and use the Spanish versions for support/reference. In addition, the library received a bonus of \$350 worth of math and science books donated by Hal Berenson and Laura Ackerman.

The Libri Foundation is a nationwide nonprofit group that provides new and highly recommended children's books for rural libraries through its program "Books for Children." The Foundation holds the belief that if children are encouraged to enjoy reading at a young age they will become life-long readers. But to achieve this goal, they must have access to quality books. The foundation's grant allows local organizations to donate up to \$350 and then matches these funds at a 2-to-1 ration. The Libri Foundation has donated almost 4 million dollars worth of new books to rural libraries during the past 18 years.

The photo above is of Mrs. Snider's third grade class posing with some of the new books.



**Howe Methodist Church**  
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**Friday, Nov. 4, 9am-6pm**  
**and Saturday, Nov. 5, 9am-2pm**  
**Baked goods, quilts & needlework,**  
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## Wyoming's Welcomes New Additions

For some time now we have been enjoying the pleasures afforded by Wyoming's Restaurant. How many small towns can brag that they have a restaurant with a fully trained chef as well as beer and wine available for their meals. Those of you who have enjoyed these pleasures know of the delicious choice of meals and the offering of some items not found anywhere else. I have enjoyed shark steak as well as bison burgers here in Howe, Texas.

Now we are bragging about some changes that should improve what was a tremendous restaurant to begin with.

We begin with a new owner and general manager, John Leavenworth. John lives in Dallas, but has close ties here in Howe. His parents live here, and until recently his sister lived here, too. John graduated from Southeastern Oklahoma State University in 1991 with a degree in math and computers. He has worked in Dallas for PricewaterhouseCoopers, LLP and for IBM. He also has experience in a major games, bar, and fast food restaurant. John continues to work in Dallas with contract work in IT while spending some time here in Howe during the week and on weekends with his restaurant.

At the same time, a new Executive Chef has been hired for Wyoming's. Andrew Shaffer was born in Keokuk, Iowa but moved to the Howe area while still only about 4 months old. His grandparents are Bob and Dorothy Young who owned and operated Dorothy Bobs Bakery in Sherman from about 1993 until 2000. Andrew grew up in their restaurant and learned to love the business. He graduated from Howe High School in 2005.

Continuing his education, Andrew graduated in February, 2011 from Le Cordon Bleu College of Culinary Arts in Dallas. He has worked in the Old Hickory Steak House at the Gaylord Texas Hotel in Grapevine. Andrew has over 12 years experience cooking. Eight of those years are professional cooking. He recently accepted his position in Howe with Wyoming's.

Wyoming's is open Tuesday through Saturday from 11am to 2pm for lunch and 5:30pm to 10pm for dinner. They will also stay open on Fridays after home football games for your enjoyment.

They are now open on Monday nights for Monday Night Football. Doors open at 6:30pm and remain open until the game is over. You can watch the game on either of two large screen TVs and enjoy your dinner, or hors d'oeuvres and drink specials. When football season is over there will be other special occasions celebrated.

Menus will be changed quarterly. Being a seasonal restaurant, some of your favorites will continue to be on the menu but seasonal dishes will be featured as they become available.

Your waiters and waitresses will be spruced up with new uniforms. They will be wearing black slacks with wine colored shirts and "Wyoming's" embroidered on them.

John also wants to recognize area artists of all kinds. Perhaps an artist's works will be featured for a month, with a new artist the next month. Perhaps the works will be both on display and/or for sale. Perhaps your art work is painting, or wood work, or jewelry, or whatever. You can have a place to show off your talent.

Stop by and try the local delights you have right here in Howe, Texas. Wyoming's is located at 110 E. Haning Ave, downtown Howe.



Order your favorite beer or wine at the bar



Sit with your family in the dining room.



Myka Reeder, John Leavenworth, Justin Bailey, and Mechele Carver



Scan the menu to choose your favorite entree



Andrew passes through a fresh from the stove order.



Come in with a grin to join the fun.



Treat yourself to delicious appetizers.



Mechele Carver, John Leavenworth, Andrew Shaffer, and Myka Reeder

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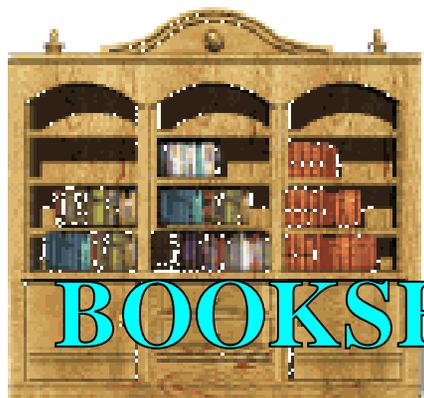


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## BOOKSHELF

*By Tracy Luscombe*

Thanks to all the volunteers of Great Days of Service in Van Alstyne. We have a freshly painted hallway, fresh ceiling tiles replace the ones stained from our roof leak early this year, and all our light fixtures work again.

Last week's preschoolers came in their Halloween costumes. We had some beautiful princesses, rough tough cowboys, and a variety of other clever disguises. But no one let their costume get in the way of playing Halloween Freeze Dance.

Teen Council held its annual Halloween party on Friday night. With more than 30 in attendance all had a good time eating pizza and cupcakes and competing in a variety of ways: face painting, costume contest, and a dance contest.

This Saturday is a great day to come to Van Alstyne. The monthly Friends of the Library breakfast will be at the community center 7am-10am. Then pop over to the library's east parking lot for the Teen Council rummage sale. (8am-1pm).

Wind up by coming into the library to check out one of these newest titles in our collection.

- Prince of Thorns* by Mark Lawrence
- Buried Secrets* by Joseph Finder
- Seven Days to Die* by J.A. Johnstone
- Dandelion Summer* by Lisa Wingate
- Julius Caesar* (a biography) by Philip Freeman

Hope to see you around the Van Alstyne Public Library.





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## Charles Knox Sprowl (1941-2011)

Charles Knox Sprowl, 70 of Howe, passed away on Saturday, Oct 29, 2011 at Presbyterian Hospital in Plano.

Mr. Sprowl was born Jan 21, 1941 in Howe to Knox and Eula Sprowl. He married Marsha D. Emerson on Sept 26, 1970. Mr. Sprowl was a Howe High School graduate and served his country in the Air Force. He retired from Texas Instruments after 33 years of service, and from Raytheon with 7 years.

He is survived by his wife, Marsha and children, Shannon Powell of Oklahoma City, Belinda Sweet of Tom Bean, Crista Green and Jory Sprowl both of Van Alstyne; 11 grandchildren; two sisters, Sondra Williams and Linda Roane both of Howe; many nieces, nephews, and a host of friends.

He was preceded in death by his parents, one sister, Janice Canada and one brother, Jimmy Sprowl.

A Celebration of Life was held at the Sprowl Home from on Wednesday, Nov 2, 2011.

In lieu of flowers, the family would appreciate a written memory of Mr. Sprowl and any donations be made in Charles' honor to the American Cancer Society.



## DISTRICT CHAMPS OF 1945



Bottom row left to right: Jack White, Edwin Hopper, James Martin, Roy Hogge, John Ball.

Second row left to right: Harold Ball, James Miller, Dan Pannell, James Hall Jones, Bill Tom Gant.

Third row left to right: Harley Elliott, Bobbie Gene Guthrie, Coach Rufus Scott, Charles Nash, James Gaston.

## TOM BEAN RECOGNIZES “District Champions of 1944-45”

Tom Bean High School will recognize the District Champions of 1944-45 prior to the home football game between Tom Bean and Leonard on Friday, November 4, 2011. A reception will be held at the Tom Bean High School library at 6 pm followed by a recognition presentation beginning at 6:45 pm on the field.

Those honored include:

**Cecilia Walker Moore** – Cheerleader – Mrs. Moore has 3 children, 15 grandchildren and 3 great grandchildren. She lives in Sherman, TX. Her best memories are Coach Rufus Scott, friends, and basketball.

**John Ball** – Mr. Ball played as Right Halfback in 1944 and 1945 then became the Quarterback in 1946. He has 2 children, 5 grandchildren, and 11 great grandchildren. He resides in Sherman, TX. His best memories are playing football and playing lots of pranks, including locking Coach Rufus Scott in the outdoor toilet.

**Roy Hogge** – Mr. Hogge played Right Guard in 1945. He has 2 children, 4 grandchildren and lives in Greenville, TX. His best memories are playing football and basketball and being with his friends.

**Paul Wortham** – Mr. Wortham first substituted in the game of fourteen players in 1945. He has 3 children, 5 grandchildren and resides in Sherman, TX. His best memory is that he came from a share cropper’s family that was so poor that when the wolf came to their door, the wolf brought a sack lunch.

**Harley Elliott** – Mr. Elliot substituted in the football games. He currently lives in Arlington, TX and has 4 children, 4 step-children and 19 grandchildren. His fondest memory is winning all those football games except one.

**Bub Hill** – Mr. Hill played Right End. He has 1 child, 8 grandchildren and has been a life- long resident of Tom Bean, TX. His best memory is playing football for Rufus Scott.

**John Hall Jones** – Mr. Jones played Offensive Tackle and Defensive End. He resides in Tom Bean, TX and is the father of 2 children, 6 grand children and 7 great grand children. His best memories were his good friends, riding the bus down the muddy roads, coal stoves that would explode and fill the room with smoke, and even getting disciplined over a science table by Coach Rufus Scott.

During that time, Tom Bean was a class B 11-man football team. The team was made up of 14 hard core players that played both sides of the ball. They were very proud of their season which was almost perfect except for one game. They lost the last season game to Howe 7 – 6. Howe punted the ball and when it landed, no one picked it up. Howe and Tom Bean just stood and looked at the ball. Tom Bean’s center grabbed it and ran it in for a touchdown. Tom Bean missed the extra-point. The scores for the season were:

Tom Bean 30 Bells 0  
Tom Bean 55 Celina 0  
Tom Bean 12 Pilot Point 6  
Tom Bean 39 Tioga 0  
Tom Bean 2 Anna 0 (forfeited)  
Tom Bean 34 Gunter 0  
Tom Bean 6 Howe 7

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## Tom Bean FCCLA sponsors “Your Home is Your Castle...Protect Your Family From Fire!” project

Recently, Tom Bean High School Family, Career, and Community Leaders of America conducted a Fire Safety education outreach with Tom Bean’s elementary school students. Using the theme “Your Home is Your Castle...Protect Your Family from Fire!” the high schoolers taught the younger children through skits, games and learning activities. High School FCCLA members wore fairy tale character costumes and had special appearances from Loo the Tomcat, Sparky the Fire Dog and Ready the Fox. Tom Bean Volunteer Firefighter Jason Lankford brought a fire truck for the children to explore.

Pre-K children were excited by a visit from Sparky, who presented them with plastic fire hats.

All children were given “Your Home is Your Castle...Protect Your Family From Fire!” coloring and activity books, crayons, pencils, and Jr. Firefighter badges.

Fourth and Fifth Graders were encouraged to complete a Home Fire Safety Inspection Checklist with their parents and to return it for a special “Sparky Junior Firefighter” certificate.

In addition to this project, FCCLA members took the time to write personal letters of appreciation to Tom Bean Volunteer firefighters and to participate in a “send an e-card to an area firefighter” campaign sponsored by Collin College.

-information submitted by Sharon Stephens, Tom Bean HS FCCLA advisor



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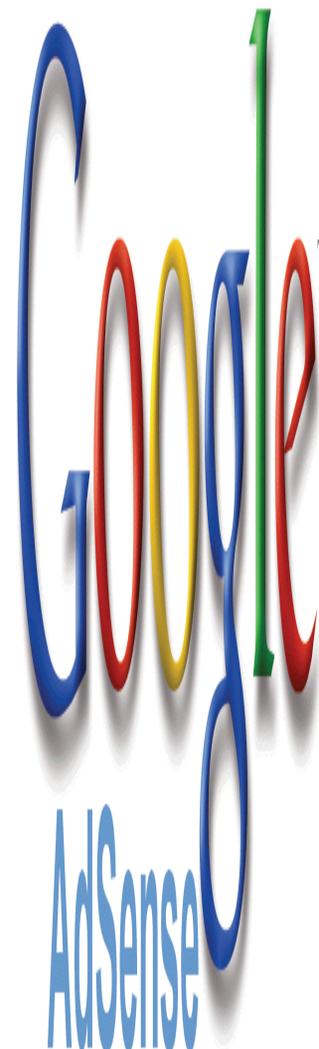
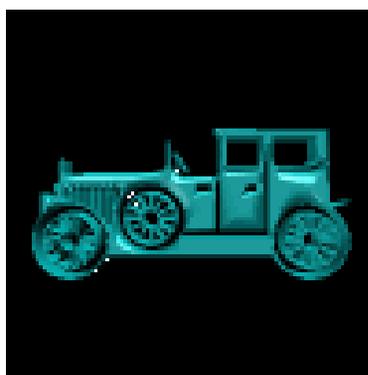
## Tom Bean MS SADD members host car/bike show!

Members of the Tom Bean Middle School SADD Club are once again hosting the car/bike show held at the Whitewright Grand Street Festival this Fall. Held in conjunction with the festival, students invite classic car owners and motorcycle enthusiasts to bring their rides out to the country on Sat, Nov 5. Showing begins at 9 am with judging at 2 pm and awards presentations at 3 pm.

Students in SADD host a variety of activities at the middle school. So far this year, they have painted paws on the driveway leading to their school, planted flowers at the front of the building, hosted an anti-bullying program called RADIOS, joined in efforts to create Rachel's Challenge at their school, made a friendship chain of students' names, and enjoyed Red Ribbon Week dress up days.

They have also helped their city by planting bluebonnet seeds along the highway and made posters to help thank the volunteer firefighters that serve their community. A visit to the animal shelter was great fun, and they are looking forward to helping with a food drive before Thanksgiving and a Christmas dance in December.

Students are learning to make positive changes in their school and their community. If interested, donations may be made to the SADD Club at Tom Bean Middle School. But they would really like to see you at the Car and Bike Show in Whitewright. There's plenty to do at the festival and you can see some really cool cars/bikes! A special thanks goes to Ms. Yates, SADD sponsor, for working to coordinate the Carr/Bike show.



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## Chrystal Opry House Bluegrass Events

Our regular Bluegrass jam will be Thursday night, Nov. 3, at 7 pm. Doors will open at 6 as usual. Donations will be accepted at the door to defray expenses. On November 5 we welcome Full Quiver and Grass Notes to our stage. You won't want to miss this opportunity to hear some wonderful bluegrass music! Members of Full Quiver are John, who plays the banjo, mandolin, guitar and bass, and Shaun Grubb, who plays rhythm guitar, and their seven children all of whom play instruments and sing. They are Christina, autoharp, Melody, fiddle, Faith, mandolin, John, lead guitar and bass, James, bass, Abigail, mandolin, and Joshi, guitar.

Members of Grass Notes are Larry and Jerry Shoemaker. Larry plays the banjo and Jerry plays bass. Johnnie Lucky plays the fiddle. Walter McElheney plays mandolin and sings and Christie

McElheney plays the guitar and does much of the lead singing. Their daughter, Rebecca joins them on some songs.

Doors open at 6 pm for a 7 pm performance. Admission to this event is \$6 for adults with children under 12 admitted free. The concession area has brisket sandwiches and hot dogs as well as coffee, soda, water, popcorn, and candy.

The Chrystal Opry House is located 1.5 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 there is no smoking inside the building.

Individuals or bands interested in performing at the Chrystal Opry House should contact Bill Hayes at 903-546-6893 or <http://www.chrystalopryhouse.com>



## Texas Quilt Museum to open Nov. 13

The city of La Grange is a low-key and relaxing small Texas town, but it soon will welcome visitors from all over the world as quilt artists and aficionados come to see the years-in-the-planning Texas Quilt Museum.

Nestled in the scenic hills of central Texas in Fayette County, the Museum is the culmination of a lifelong dream of fifth-generation Texas quilters and cousins Karey Bresenhan and Nancy O'Bryant Puentes, also the President and Executive Vice-President, respectively, of Quilts, Inc., producers of trade and consumer quilt shows around the country.

The Grand Opening of the Museum, located at 140 W. Colorado in La Grange, will take place on November 13 at 1 pm, and admission will be free all day.

Featuring 10,000 square feet of exhibition space and including a museum store, and the Pearce Memorial Library and Material Cultures Center, named for the pair's grandmother, the Museum also contains workspace for exhibition preparation.

The inaugural exhibit will showcase more than 60 quilts featured in the book Lone Stars III: A Legacy of Texas Quilts 1986-2011 (UT Press). It's the third volume in a trilogy documenting the state's quilt history.

"With this being the 175th anniversary of the establishment of the Republic of Texas, we definitely wanted the first quilts that the public will see in the Museum to be from the Lone Star State,"

Bresenhan says. "But future exhibits will feature incredible quilts from all over the world."

The Texas Quilt Museum is housed in two buildings that date back to the 1890's in the heart of La Grange's downtown historic district. And while much has been renovated and restored in the buildings, they definitely maintain the flavor of past times.

"We fell in love with these structures as soon as we saw them, and felt immediately that they would make a wonderful home for the Museum," Puentes says. "What could be better than viewing great quilts in a historic building?"

In addition, the side of the building will feature a specially commissioned mural, Quilt.History in the Making, that will overlook a planned period garden called "Grandmother's Flower Garden" after the well-known traditional quilt pattern.

"We just can't wait to cut the ribbon and invite people in the front doors for the first time," Bresenhan sums up. "And we're very happy that people from all walks of life-not just quilters-will be able to appreciate the artistry and history of quilting at this Museum."

Quilts, Inc. produces trade and consumer quilt shows all across the country, including the largest in the U.S., the International Quilt Festival/Houston, which in 2010 attracted more than 60,000 attendees from over 35 countries.

For more information about the Texas Quilt Museum, visit [www.TexasQuiltMuseum.org](http://www.TexasQuiltMuseum.org) or e-mail [projects@TexasQuiltMuseum.org](mailto:projects@TexasQuiltMuseum.org)

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## Bad to the bone

In the late 1800s and early 1900s, East Texas was widely known for its outlaws -- men and women) who did much as they pleased. Law enforcement was still handicapped by a lack of resources and, public support.

As an early sheriff observed, most of the early outlaws were "bad to the bone" and deserved shooting on sight.

Bob and Doris Bowman of Lufkin have put together a unique collection of outlaws who rode rampant across East Texas, leaving behind legacies of malice and mayhem. The best known of the outlaws was John Wesley Hardin, who killed his first man as a teenager near the small community of Moscow in Polk County. When he was gunned down in El Paso, he had killed between 30 and 50 men.

Bob and Doris Bowman are among the most prolific writers in East Texas and Mr. Bowman authors a weekly history and folklore column for about 90 newspapers in the region. "Bad to the Bone" is the Bowmans' 51st book.

The Bowmans' books reflect the past and contemporary life of East Texas, touching on such diverse subjects as ghost towns, the

Alamo, historic murders, ghosts of the pineywoods, Indian atrocities, and famous hangings.

Bob and Doris are the only husband and wife to serve as presidents of the Texas Council for the Humanities, and Bob has served on the Texas Historical Commission, the Texas Sesquicentennial Commission, and the Texas Capitol Centennial Commission.

He is also a past president of the East Texas Historical Association and Doris is a past president of the Texas School Public Relations Association.

The Bowmans live in Lufkin where they own Bob Bowman & Associates, a successful marketing, advertising and public relations company, and Best of East Texas Publishers, which has published more than 100 books for authors throughout East Texas.

"Bad To The Bone" may be ordered from Best of East Texas Publishers, 515 South First Street, Lufkin, Texas 75901, or by calling 936-634-7444.

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## *Dia de los Muertos (Day of the Dead)*

*A tribute to the victims and rescuers of the 2008 Sherman bus tragedy will be part of 34th Annual Dia de los Muertos (Day of the Dead) Exhibition at Centro Cultural Aztlan in San Antonio. Inscribed on the sides of the homage crafted by former Texoma resident Don Mathis is his original poem, **Unscheduled Stop**.*

More than a dozen of San Antonio's most talented and credentialed artists will create a Dia de los Muertos experience unlike any before. The scent of zempasuchil (marigolds) will guide visitors into Galeria Expression, where altares y ofrendas (altars and offerings) created by local artists recall and celebrate the past. This event illustrates the artistic, cultural and religious facets of this popular pre-Columbian/Mexican tradition where death is seen as a natural part of life.

Pan de muerto (bread of the dead), ponche de frutas (fruit punch), and other treats will be offered to visitors at a reception for the artists on Wednesday, November 2, 2011. See [http://www.centroculturalaztlan.50megs.com/index\\_2.html](http://www.centroculturalaztlan.50megs.com/index_2.html) for more information.

### *Unscheduled Stop*

Bus at night, gathering speed.  
Distant ride, travelers read.  
Restless sleep on the road,  
try to keep your eyes closed.  
Vietnamese on pilgrimage  
dream of peace near a bridge.  
Journey to be near to God  
was not due to end this hard.  
Retreaded tire on the front  
led to fiery accident.  
Bus careens against guard rail.  
Good-bye dream. Hello Hell.  
Twisted steel, busted glass,  
down a hill, burning grass.  
Driver thrown from the wheel.  
Broken bones, bloody spill.  
People cry in the night.  
Those that die spared the fright.  
Help arrives in total dark.  
Each one tries to do his part.  
Dark obscures the tragedy  
but rescuers bring lights to see.  
Confusion adds to melee,  
foreign tongues cry for relief.  
Airlifts begin to move the dying;  
again, again, transport the crying.  
Finally, at break of day,  
all the dead are hauled away.  
There is still work to be done.  
But time to heal. Here comes the sun.  
This poem's for those on the bus,  
and also for the rescuers.

Don Mathis, San Antonio

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October 8, 2011, 10 am  
Dr. Connie Taylor  
Grasses & Fall Wildflowers

November 12, 2011, 10 am  
Ross Anderson, SOSU  
Swallows

December 10, 2011, 10am  
Dr. Wayne Meyer  
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Second Saturday for Youth  
Hands on nature activities and crafts for ages 4-10, 10-11:30am

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Music by Kevin McCloud

## THE TEXAS TEN HORN'S NEW SHOOTER'S CLINIC

The Texas Ten Horns is a Cowboy Action shooting club located in Hunt County, Texas a few miles north of Greenville. Our old western town is located on Jacob's Plain Gun Range. We shoot single action revolvers, lever action rifles and old west style shotguns three times a month, defending our town against the outlaws who roam these Texas woodlands. We are affiliated with the Single Action Shooting Society, referred to as SASS®. We are putting on a new shooter's clinic on Saturday, November 12th and we welcome anyone who is interested in learning more about this fun, family oriented shooting sport. This clinic is from 9:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. The men and women who conduct this clinic are all experienced Cowboy Action Shooters who can answer your questions about the guns we shoot, the old western clothing we wear, and how this sport is played. Whether you are a man or a woman, boy or girl 12 or older, or a senior over 75 or anywhere in between we have a category for you. Shooters in this sport can shoot with a revolver in one hand, with both hands on a revolver, or even with a gun in each hand. You can shoot modern smokeless powder or shoot the old timey black powder and enjoy the smoke, flames and roar of a double barrel coachgun blasting the steel targets down! The cost of this clinic is only \$25. This fee included some ammunition to shoot in a revolver, rifle and shotgun as you shoot one of our "stages" under the watchful eye of one of our trained range officers who will safely guide you through the stage.

Cowboy Action Shooting involves shooting lead bullets at metal targets. Each shooter is timed to see how fast they can shoot the targets. A miss adds 5 seconds to their time. The faster the shooter shoots all the targets with the fewest misses the higher he or she scores. Some of our cowpokes really enjoy seeing how fast they can shoot a stage (usually about 20 to 24 rounds). Some of our shooters just enjoy getting dressed in their hats, boots, and clothing from the 1800's and enjoying fellowship with like-minded folk. If you have been looking for a family oriented activity that you can enjoy with your spouse, children, parents, grandparents, or a friend then you should give this sport a try. We will provide the revolvers, rifles and shotguns for participants in the clinic. We will have a good variety for you to hold and see what you like the best. Firearms safety is covered and safety rules will be gone over before any shooting takes place. We will be shooting .38 Special, .357 Magnum, and .45 Colt caliber guns. Mild loads will be used. All people must wear eye and ear protection while on the firing line. Walk ups are welcome, but if you think you may attend please let us know so we can anticipate the number of shootists to expect.

Phone #'s are: Lethal Larry (903) 271-9726, Mustang Sherry (903) 815-8162, Diablo Slim (214) 695-1946. Our club can also be found on Facebook by searching for Texas Ten Horns SASS Club for photos and videos. A new website will soon be up too. The range is located at 6374 FM 118 Greenville, TX 75401

Directions to the range and a map can be found by going to the Jacob's Plain Website at [www.jacob-splain.com](http://www.jacob-splain.com).

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## Storm Cellars

By Bob Bowman

In the midst of a recent tornado outbreak, an oldtimer called and asked if I remembered storm cellars.

“Yep,” I said, “I not only remember them, my grandfather had one and put it to good use when he felt a tornado was coming his way.”

However my granddad, Gus Milligan, who owned a farm south of Slocum in Anderson County, didn’t call them tornadoes, but “cyclones.”

Storm cellars were cave-like resting places which were usually built on the side of a hill or in an embankment near a road. They were usually found in rural areas, mostly around farms. People who lived in communities or cities escaped to sturdy buildings when a cyclone approached.

Some storm cellars are still being used. If you drive across northern Texas, particularly in the counties south of Oklahoma, you’ll likely find storm cellars in dozens of small communities. Some are big enough to house several families

While driving around East Texas a few months ago, we passed a storm cellar that had been reinforced with concrete and had a heavy door with a lock. I suppose the cellar was kept locked to keep children from playing inside.

During the seasons when cyclones were less likely, farm mothers often stored their jams and jellies in the storm cellars, presumably because they were cool inside and offered more protection than a kitchen cabinet. Remember, this was before refrigerators became available in home kitchens.



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By Dorothy N. Fowler

One of my favorite mottoes is, “If it ain’t broke, don’t fix it.” Another is, “If it is broke and can be fixed without messing it up worse, work on fixin’ it.”

My experience has been, both at work and at school, that too many people ignore the first rule, break what was working and then don’t have a clue about how to work on fixing it. Most of the time, the rule is broken by some young fool who has been told at college that all the “old” teachers resist change or that all the “old” church members won’t cooperate and that at both school and at church, the “old” people just don’t understand.

The latter reminds me of men -- and an occasional woman -- who justifies an extramarital affair by claiming that his/her spouse “just doesn’t understand,” when what the real trouble is that the spouse understands all too well.

One of my definitions of intelligence is the ability to listen and learn from the experience of other people. Thus, when a young and bitterly inexperienced principal appeared at Permian High School announced that he had “come to bring you educational success,” I and other “old” teachers were appalled. When he went to English office and began to throw the paperback books the school provided for students to study classical literature and announced that “the trouble with Permian is that you read too much,” all of us “old” teachers were confounded.

We had graduates at Harvard, Yale, Princeton, the military academies, Rice, Texas A&M, Texas University, Baylor -- the list goes on and on.

“What do you mean, bring us educational success?” I asked him.

“You aren’t doing as well as you should on the TAKS tests,” he announced. Texas Assessment of Knowledge and Skills was the test being given at that time and then, as now, the testing was a total and complete waste of taxpayer money and student time. There was then, and is now, little hope of the situation changing because testing has become a billions of dollars a year stand alone industry, complete with lobbyists in the state capitols and in Washington, D.C.

This year in Texas, about one quarter of instructional days will be given over to administering the state mandated tests and the other three quarters will be given over to teaching kids the test. If what I am hearing from teachers in other states, the situation is no different there.

Perhaps that’s the reason why a curriculum called C-Scope has swept the country. It comes with a script and with a time frame for each core subject and in some cases with a little “clicker” that signals a correct answer has been given.



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## BOB BOWMAN'S EAST TEXAS, continued

There was one disadvantage to storm cellars. They were often occupied by spiders, snakes and an occasional raccoon. If Gus Milligan saw black clouds approaching the Slocum area, he went down into the cellar, armed with a big wooden stick and sometimes a gun, and chased out the unwanted occupants.

On sunny days, if he approached his storm cellar and saw kids playing inside, he would slam the doors closed and wait for the kids to start hollering.

A cousin and I were playing inside his cellar one afternoon when he slammed the doors, trapping us with the spiders and a rabbit who had taken up residence in the dirt hole. After that, we had deep reservations about entering the storm cellar, even when the storm clouds rolled our way.

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




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## Dot's Dashes, continued

One school administrator told me that they already know it doesn't work, but that it will be awhile before they can get rid of it. "In the meantime, the people who are selling that curriculum are making a boatload of money."

This is one of the times when I really miss the John Birch Society. It is true that its members nearly drove me crazy when I was teaching government and economics because I could never get it far enough to the right for them, but I could always count on them to be vigilant in looking for curriculum designed to produce automatons and rote answers.

If you remember the movie, *The Stepford Wives*, or the term "group think" from the days of the Cold War, this is what you ought to be worried about now. Creativity among teachers is almost absolutely prohibited and individual thought is definitely discouraged by the C-Scope curriculum, at least as it is being interpreted in many school districts.

There is only one way to work a math problem and get the right answer, only one way to interpret *The Scarlet Letter* or *Huckleberry Finn*, only one interpretation of historical events and only one correct prediction about what may happen in the future even though at this point, research indicates that many, if not most predictions prove to be incorrect.

Parents, you ought to be having a fit, but you probably won't because you've been hearing since the early 1980's that our schools are failing and are producing a bunch of illiterate graduates and that's the reason why American corporations are sending manufacturing jobs overseas, to places like India, Mexico and Guatemala, where teachers and students are superior.

The real reason is that American workers expected to make a living wage that would enable them to buy a house, a car, give their kids piano lessons, put braces on their teeth and send them to college and American corporations didn't want to pay what it took to do those things no matter how productive the workers.

Now I am not attacking capitalism. I may be the last capitalist around. What I want, and what I think those Occupy Wall Street folks want, is a level playing field for capital and labor. I can guarantee that capital doesn't want that because right now the laws of the land are stacked way in its favor.

Ask yourself: Do I see any Republican governors and state legislatures trying to curb the power of corporations in their states? Do I see any Republican governors and state legislators trying to curb the power of organized labor in their states?

Now, think about your answer.



**Capitol Watch**  
By Larry Phillips, State Representative



## High School Aerospace Scholars Program

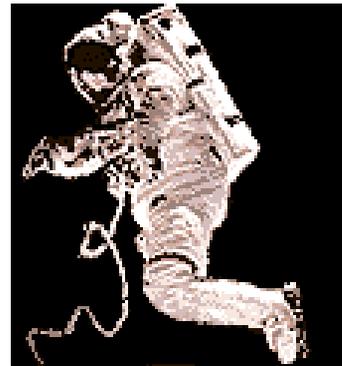
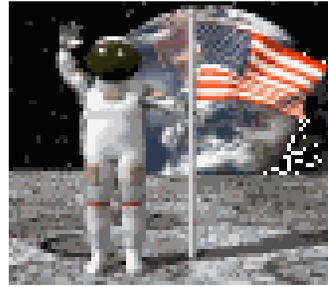
The National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA) has just announced the launch of its 2011-2012 High School Aerospace Scholars Program, and is encouraging high school students across Texas to apply.

The Aerospace Scholars Program (Program) was started in 1999, to encourage students to explore career possibilities in science, technology, engineering, and mathematics, with space exploration as the central theme. Since the Program began, over 6000 students have participated. Those who do participate are eligible to receive a credit for a one-year science elective.

Students selected for the program this year will learn about NASA's plan for space exploration. Those selected will complete web-based assignments during the school year and then travel to the Johnson Space Center in Houston during the summer to apply the skills they have learned. While at the Space Center, students will work alongside NASA scientists and engineers on a unique design project.

To be eligible for the program, a student must be a U.S. citizen; Texas resident; current high school junior; interested in math, science, or engineering; willing to commit to the program; and have access to the internet and email. Students interested in participating will need to submit an application directly to the Johnson Space Center no later than December 9, 2011. If you are interested in being nominated for the program, please contact my office before November 18.

For more information on the program or to apply to the program, please visit the website at <http://TAS.aerospacescholars.org>. 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](mailto:larry.phillips@house.state.tx.us). My district office phone number is (903) 891-7297.



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## Letter to Editor

*Regarding: City officials, residents fed up with protesters*

I read that New York police and neighbors are fed up with the petty crimes, the all-night racket of beating drums, the smell of human waste and the sight of trampled flowers caused by Occupy Wall Street protestors.

Well, I am fed up with the white-collar crimes, the smell of corporate welfare, and the trampled dreams of millions of regular citizens. The physical mess caused by the protestors can be cleaned up in a matter of days. The financial mess caused by the fat cats on Wall Street will take years to clean up.

I saw a t-shirt last night that read, "Mr. Obama, Tear down that Wall Street." It is time the government stops rewarding millionaires who have brought our economy to chaos. It is time to hold them accountable.

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We believe that your local news provided should provide you with news, information, facts, and sources to further study that information. Here are some websites that are providing those facts, at least at the time of their listing on our page. If you know of others that our readers would enjoy send them to us. Or if some of these are no longer working let us know.

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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.

## Local Churches

### Cannon

CANNON BAPTIST CHURCH  
RFD 1, Rev. John Wade, pastor,  
903/482-6761

SOVEREIGN GRACE  
BAPTIST CHURCH  
George Seevers, 903/364-2942

### Cherry Mound

BAPTIST CHURCH, 6335 FM 1753, Denison  
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

GRACE BIBLE

FELLOWSHIP

Pastor Bruce Stinson

Brooks Plaza

Sundays - 9:30 AM Worship

www.thegbf.com

VALLEY

CHURCH OF CHRIST

### Howe

APOSTOLIC LIFE UPC

405 S. Collins Frwy,

Jerry Pentecost, 903/821-9166; Sun. 10am & 6pm

NEW BEGINNING FELLOWSHIP/AG,

912 S Denny St.

903/532-6828; Roger Roper,

S-school, 9:30, worship 10:45

BETHEL BAPTIST

Hwy. 902 E & Ponderosa Rd, Weldon Hutson, pastor,

903/532-6032

SUMMIT CHURCH

Howe Middle School Cafeteria,

903/815-1472 ; Kcvin Bouse

CHURCH OF CHRIST

N. Collins Frwy,

903/532-6441;

Toby Socheting

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

100 E. Davis,903/532-5504;

Roger Tidwell, pastor

FIRST UNITED METHODIST

CHURCH 810 N. Denny,

903/532-6718;

Tom Medley, minister

### Ida

IDA BAPTIST CHURCH,

903/813- 3263. S- School

10 am, Worship 11 am

Charles Morris, pastor

### Luella

LUELLA FIRST

BAPTIST CHURCH

3162 St. Hwy. 11,

Harvey Patterson,

903/893-2252

A CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP, 150 Fellowship Ln,

Luella

Mike Ball, 903/870-0219

### Tom Bean

CHURCH OF CHRIST

903/546-6620

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903/546-6231

FIRST UNITED METHODIST

CHURCH 903/546-6898

INSPIRATION POINT

COWBOY CHURCH

FM 2729, 2.5 miles

South of Tom Bean

*16 And Ruth said, Entreat me not to leave thee, and to return from following after thee, for whither thou goest, I will go; and where thou lodgest, I will lodge; thy people shall be my people, and thy God my God; 17 where thou diest, will I die, and there will I be buried: Jehovah do so to me, and more also, if aught but death part thee and me.*

*Ruth 1:16-17 (ASV)*



## Christian Fellowship

A Christian Fellowship in Luella begins each Sunday morning with coffee and doughnut fellowship at 9 am followed by classes for all ages, from the cradle to the adults beginning at 9:30. Worship service begins at 10:30. This week's service will be led by Mike Ball so come on out and join them.

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

C R Men's Step Study classes meet every Saturday night from 6-8pm at the church building.

Wednesday night service begins at 6:30pm with a pot luck dinner followed by praise and worship and a devotional.

The church is located on the West side of 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

## Faith makes a difference!

I John 5:4 "Each one who is born of God is a victor, a winner and a world conqueror, in overcoming the ways of the world. Jesus Christ won the victory over sin for those who will believe in Him through faith. Faith believes that His victorious death on the cross at Mount Calvary is God's answer to their spiritual need!" (Cowboy and Stockyard - Practical Teaching Version - LCH)

Am I making a difference? This should be the question of the day and of the hour for

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

everyone who reads this. So, what kind of difference are you making anyway? What is the legacy you are leaving? How will you be remembered? What is the mark you leave for others to follow as you pass this way?

Does being a child of God make a difference in your life? Do you live with an eye toward heaven, toward being and doing that which will honor the Lord? A child will evidence the genetic characteristics of a parent and will observe the parent for clues about how to live. Have you been influenced by the Father in heaven and do you bear resemblance to Him and His ways?

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BAPTIST CHURCH  
1271 Pilot Grove St.  
903/450-3708  
**Sherman/Denison**  
THE CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST OF LATTER  
DAY SAINTS  
1900 Lamberth Rd, Sherman.  
FRIENDSHIP UNITED  
METHODIST CHURCH  
RFD 2 off Hwy. 56; 903/892-8450  
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  
PO Box 141, Larry Shead,  
minister; worship 11am  
ELMONT BAPTIST CHURCH  
FM 121 W, Elmont;  
Jim Poole, pastor,  
903/482-6356  
FAITH TEMPLE CHURCH, corner of Pearl & Nash,  
Pastor Kenneth L. Price,  
972/547-0243,  
LIFE CHURCH,  
201 W. Marshall,  
Pastors – Lance/ Mary Baker  
903/433-8089  
FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH  
102 E. Marshall, 903/482-6334,  
Jimmy Tarrant, pastor  
FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH  
206 Waco, 903/482-5515,  
Gary Gibbs, pastor  
FIRST PENTECOSTAL CHURCH  
903/482-6646,  
Rev. J.R. Thornhill, pastor  
FIRST UNITED METHODIST  
CHURCH 301 S. Preston,  
Rev. Jack Wallace, minister  
GREYWOOD HEIGHTS WORSHIP CENTER  
On Hwy. 75 just north of Dairy Queen, 903/482-6700;  
Chris Jones, pastor  
HOLY FAMILY  
CATHOLIC CHURCH  
Father Stephen W. Bierschenk, 972/562-0752  
MORNING CHAPEL CHRISTIAN METHODIST  
EPISCOPAL  
103 Bowen, 902/482-5431  
SAMARIA BAPTIST CHURCH  
702 E. Fulton, 903/482-5664, Rev. Arnold Baker, pastor

Life is worth living! Life is a gift from God. Even when faced with great difficulties, most people go on living the joy of the hour and experiencing life in the moment. More than longevity, life is about quality. Living is about finding purpose and meaning and translating that into meaningful existence.

Life is life a symphony well played! The internal body of a person of faith functions in a symphony with the external forces. This gives rhyme and reason to life. This provides the lyrical background, the ‘musical accompaniment,’ which completes a day, lies behind life as a purpose for living well and the sounds of life at its best. Is your life a symphony or is it more like ‘hard rock,’ ‘jazz’ with discordant sounds and beats or is it different ‘music’ every day. Life can be a joy for a person and for all of those who are around them while life is lived at its fullest.

There is a group of people who are world conquerors though they may seldom get out of the county! These are people who love God with an unending love. They follow His plan and will as carefully as they can. They love the people of faith as they love the Lord and they share in the work of the Lord as a good family member would support the work of their family. They have conquered the meaninglessness of rebellion and they have captured the mind of the Lord for their life. These people are winners, victors, people with peace and joy, people with a reason to rise each morning and to be thankful all through life.

The people of the Lord overcome the world which would, if it could, overcome them! God’s people have one Head, the Lord in heaven. They seek to know Him and to be like Him. They look at every decision with a view to discovering what the Lord

would have them to do. It is in their gentle conformity to God that they form a strong defense against the enemy of God.

God’s people win through love! Their love is never a sappy and meaningless affection but it is a powerful persuasion to invest self in the things and the ways of the Lord. They are full of service to the Lord and they are redemptive as was Jesus. They restore those who are believers to fellowship and they reach out to outsiders to offer them resources and renewal in their Lord.

People of faith believe God implicitly! They place their trust in the Lord for things present and for things eternal. They believe God and accept His Son as Lord and Savior. They receive the Gift of God sacrificed on the cross to remove any barrier that may have existed between them and God. The people of the Lord win forever. Do you have faith that will win forever? Believe it!

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## Neighborhood Genealogist - In The Cemeteries

By Dale Rideout

In an earlier article I suggested that you should always be ready to do research. This means to have your list of names, places, etc. always with you in some form. You never know when the perfect opportunity will arise to do research.

This past weekend my wife and I took a short vacation. We stayed in a motel in Mt. Pleasant, Texas. Our visit was not primarily to Mt. Pleasant, but that was just where we stopped. One morning we were "sight seeing" and stopped in the Mt. Pleasant library. They had an historical museum in their basement along with genealogy books.

As we finished looking through the museum, I sat down at a table with an open book on it. This book was an index to the cemeteries of Titus County, Texas. My wife's great-grandparents had lived in Titus county, so we took time to research the book.

We found the family name and began to take notes on various family members and the cemeteries they were buried in. This is where we were not totally prepared. My wife's grandmother had many brothers and sisters. Of course the brothers last names were the same as the great-grand parents, but we could not remember the married names of all the sisters. Because of that we were limited in our research.

After making notes of all the "Landrums", we looked at the individual cemeteries for each name we found.

Now, let me explain something. These books were one of a kind. They were hand made and likely there was only one copy available anywhere. Books like this are difficult to find. Sometimes there will be handmade copies of these book in other libraries but there will not be hundreds of copies available in many different location. The main index told us the name of the individual, and the cemetery he was buried in. The second group of books gave an index by cemetery of the individual buried there, along with the birth and death dates from their marker, and name of spouse if both were buried in the same cemetery.

As I said, when we finished in the first book, we looked up all the other cemeteries to get the birth and death dates and spouse names and dates. This filled in a lot of information we did not have for those family members.

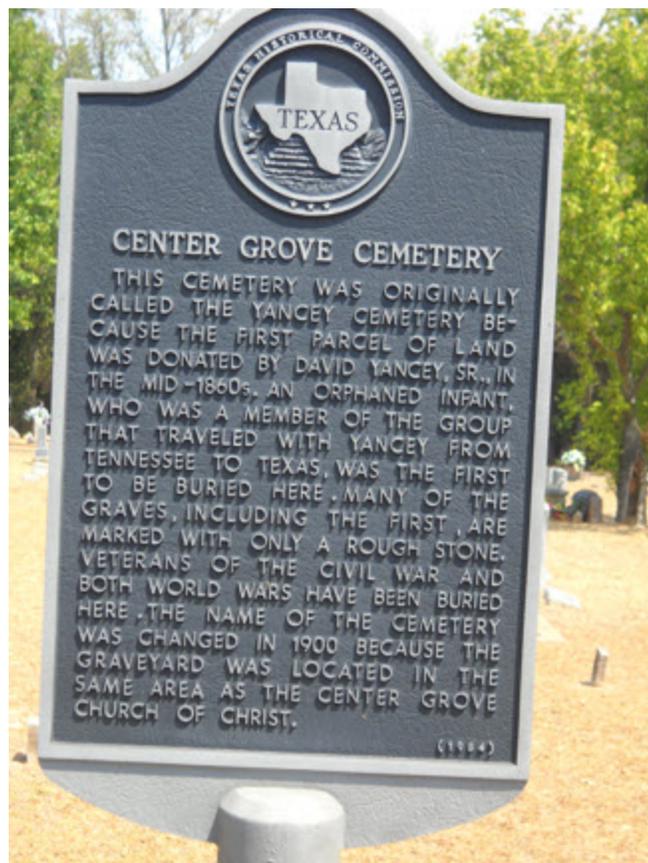
Now came the fun part. We chose the closest cemetery with the most family members buried there and visited that cemetery. The temperature was about 104 degrees. My wife took her umbrella for shade, and we began walking that cemetery looking for the markers, and photographing those of her family members. This gave us a good record of information necessary in completing your genealogy.

We had three extra surprises that we enjoyed. First, as we were walking, my wife saw a familiar name. It was the married name of the youngest sister. So we now had her information along with her husbands information, and a photo of the tombstone.

While back in the library reading about the cemeteries, I had read the name of the man who gave the land for a cemetery and church. Our second pleasant surprise was to find his family plot in this cemetery. We photographed that as well to add to our records.

Our third surprise was the church building we found. My wife's family history shows that many of her family were members of the Church of Christ. The cemetery was the Centergrove Cemetery. Across the street from the cemetery was the Centergrove Church of Christ. This was an old building with only the church name on it. There were no other signs. It was difficult to tell whether it was still in use. It was new enough to have air conditioning, and the yard area was mowed. The front door was locked with a chain and pad lock which is unusual for a building that is being used. The electric power lines were still connected, but we could not tell whether they were being used.

We feel that we found a real treasure of information. We also probably missed a lot because we did not know the married names of some of the women. We will have to make a trip back sometime after preparing better with a complete list of family names to look for.



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## The Difference Between Alzheimer's Disease and Dementia

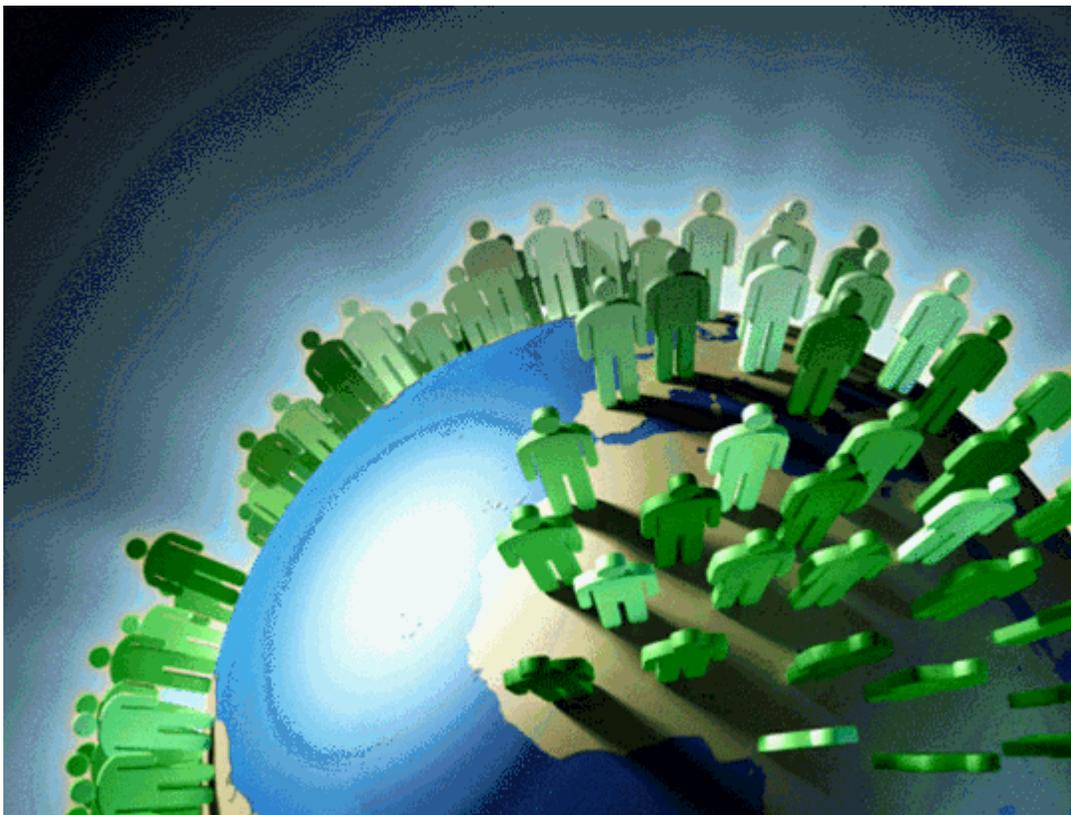
Many people use the terms Alzheimer's disease and dementia interchangeably, but they have very different meanings. Although dementia is a group of symptoms that include memory loss, the term itself doesn't explain what is causing the symptoms. Alzheimer's disease is the leading cause of dementia, but here are many other causes.

Dementia is a general term for memory loss that is severe enough to interfere with daily life. The signs of dementia may include forgetfulness, difficulty making plans, thinking ahead, or using language, as well as changing character traits, among other symptoms. Alzheimer's disease accounts for 50 to 80 percent of dementia cases according to the Alzheimer's Association, but there are other causes, including vascular dementia, Lewy body dementia, frontotemporal dementia, and Wernicke-Korsakoff syndrome. Some causes of dementia are treatable, so it is important to understand the cause.

Alzheimer's disease is a partially hereditary disease that causes a loss of brain cells. The symptoms start out mild but grow progressively worse over time. There is no cure, but there are medications that can treat the symptoms and slow the disease's progress. An early symptom of Alzheimer's is difficulty learning new information. It can then progress to more severe symptoms such as forgetting names and places, disorientation, mood and behavior changes, and an inability to relate to others. Eventually, it can lead to the inability to talk, walk, or eat. For more information on Alzheimer's disease from the Alzheimer's Association, [click here](#).

Dementia, whether caused by Alzheimer's disease or some other underlying disease, is not a normal part of aging. If someone you love is exhibiting signs of dementia, they should get immediate medical attention to understand what is causing it.





## Seven billion count on agriculture to get it right

By Mike Barnett

Halloween marked the day the United Nations picked for the world population to hit 7 billion.

That's a scary thought -- especially when you consider the modern agricultural methods used to feed that horde is under frequent and steady attacks.

The latest is by the Barilla Center for Food Nutrition. You'd think the geniuses at a think tank would be smart enough to figure out that 7 billion people have to eat.

Apparently not. At a recent summit in Washington, D.C., called "Healthy Food, Healthy Planet," a spokesman for Barilla -- which sponsored the event -- directly linked modern agriculture production and farm policy to global malnourishment, domestic obesity, limited water resources because of livestock, climate change, limited food supplies because of biofuels and a partridge and a pear tree.

Okay, not a partridge and a pear tree. Sarcasm is shining this morning. But it's hard to be civil when activists shout with full mouths and bulging bellies.

I'm not particularly picking on the folks at the Barilla Center. There are many misguided groups out there whose good intentions and faulty assumptions override scientific facts and common sense.

Modern agriculture isn't perfect. But it's the best chance we have to keep pace with a booming world population.

Let me throw some numbers at you:

- 1 billion people in the year 1800.
- 2 billion in 1930.

- 3 billion in 1960.
- 4 billion in 1974.
- 5 billion in 1987.
- 6 billion in 1999.
- 7 billion today, Oct. 31, 2011.

Those figures aren't pulled out of thin air. That's a track of world population over time by the Population Reference Bureau. The numbers represent real people -- a huge number of real people -- who seek nourishment every day to survive.

The world population has grown to 7 billion only because agriculture evolved to meet their needs. It evolved from the agrarian society in 1800s and early 1900s to the modern production miracle of today -- composed of both small and large farms, 98 percent family owned, who share the common goal of making a few bucks and feeding the world.

Many activist groups would like to see agriculture return to the "good old days," the times of backyard gardens and 40 acres and a mule. That approach worked fine then. Subtract 5 billion people and it will probably work again. |

But two babies are born every second. The world population is forecast to grow to 8 billion by 2025 and 10 billion by the end of the century.

Agriculture has met the challenge in the past. I'm sure it will meet this new challenge, too, if given a chance. Checks and balances are fine. They have improved agriculture production methods and the safety and quantity of the food we eat.

But they can go too far. The vision of backyard gardens and 40 acre farms doesn't pencil out in the stark reality of a surging world population.

The stakes are high in this battle of idealism and modern production methods. Agriculture has to get it right. Seven billion people -- and their future sons and daughters and grandchildren - - are counting on us.

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## TELLING OUR STORIES

### TALES OF TWO BARN

By Jerry Lincecum

Something I share with Mae Knox Burton of Sherman is appreciation for growing up on a family farm, complete with an old-fashioned barn. When I was four or five years old, my grandfather built a big barn on the homeplace where I grew up in Robertson County. It still stands there today, roughly two hundred miles south of here. But every square inch of it can be visited in my memory, any time I choose to.

The barn which Mae Burton remembers, in contrast, is clearly visible to me from my front yard. That's because the Knox farm became a part of the city of Sherman, and my neighborhood. In fact, the Dillingham School campus was carved out of a portion of it, with the street in front of the school named Luther Knox Road.

Among my favorite barn memories is the smell of freshly baled hay, although getting hundreds of square bales from the meadow into the loft, year after year, was hard work. One summer I was paid a penny per bale for working as part of a crew that loaded a "bobtail" truck, which held maybe 70-80 bales per load. Many years I gained experience in stacking 18-20 bales in the bed of a standard size pickup, a balancing act that required some skill.

Mae recalls their loft was not fully floored; once her mother fell through the widely-spaced boards while seeking a hen's nest. For me, finding a hidden nest was fun: Mother appreciated any fresh eggs, whereas rotten ones became valuable ammunition (grenades) for warfare. Corncob fights were forbidden because of possible eye injury. Since my grandfather was one-eyed due to a riding accident, we were especially sensitive to that kind of danger.

When my brother and I were too young to help with hauling, the elaborate tunnels and forts we built in the loft provided many hours of entertainment. We also learned a hide-and-seek trick that worked without fail on city cousins. Make them wait downstairs until you have climbed into the barn rafters. Call them up but remain quiet and they would never think to look at the ceiling.

What about snakes? Chicken snakes were easily distinguished from poisonous species, and spotting one with a bulging belly meant he'd already found the hen nest or maybe swallowed a big rat. Copperheads were given a wide berth unless a pitchfork was handy. Hoes were good for disposing of snakes in the garden but ineffective in the hayloft.

Mae recalls the pleasure of watching her father milk the cows. For me, learning how to milk Old Jersey was a challenge. First her calf had to be allowed to suck for a brief period, so she'd "let down" her milk. Then getting the steady sound of milk squirting into a galvanized bucket required just the right fingering sequence.

The cow's tail sometimes collected grassburs, which became guided missiles if she slapped you hard with it. Worse, if you really upset her, a foot in the bucket meant having to rinse it out and start over. The "milk calf" was a good one to slaughter, yielding better beef than his less pampered comrades.

Barn cats were different from house pets: wary and rarely fed, they had to catch rats, mice and small snakes to survive. There was Nadene, inherited by my brother Joe when he returned to the farm in retirement. Nadene not only refused to socialize with the house tabbies; when Joe stopped using the barn and relocated to a lake house, she refused to move.

To this day I shake my head over the childhood surprise of discovering, under old towsacks in the darkest corner of a corncrib, a nest of baby mice, hairless and unable to see. Too tender-hearted to alert the cats, I covered them up again.

Like barn cats, the dogs we kept were more workers than pets, useful in rounding up cows. One of my most vivid childhood memories is of the time we tried to pen the horses at the barn and failed, even with help from the dogs. Granddaddy was a mild-mannered person who never used profanity or coarse language of any kind. However, when the mule Old Rhody led the charge which freed her and her horse mother Minnie, he lost control of his temper and his language. After hearing some new vocabulary words that day, I sneaked off by myself to practice cussing with great vehemence. Then I laughed so hard I choked.

Visiting the loft after my father stopped storing hay there was a sad experience. A magical storehouse of exciting memories had degenerated into a desolate attic: a dustbin for such shabby antiques as the wooden highchair used by Lincecum children and grandchildren.

When I walk into my yard here in Sherman, however, and look up the hill to catch sight of the old Knox barn, the magical images and stories flood my mind.



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## Who Said That?

A strained voice called out through the darkened theater, "Please, is there a doctor in the house?!"  
Several men stood up as the lights came on.

An older lady pulled her daughter to stand next to her, "Good, are any of you doctors single and interested in a date with a nice, Jewish girl?"

A Recently Spotted Bumper Sticker: "What if the Hokey Pokey really is what it's all about?"

Five Jewish men influenced the history of Western civilization.

Moses said the law is everything.  
Jesus said love is everything.  
Marx said capital is everything.  
Freud said sex is everything.  
Einstein said everything is relative.

The Senility Prayer - God, grant me the senility to forget the people I never liked anyway, the good fortune to run into the ones that I do like, and the eyesight to tell the difference.

If Cain and Able were Siamese twins, would they be Cable?

Blessed are those who hunger and thirst, for they are sticking to their diets.

The best vitamin for a Christian is B1.

"I've taken a vow of poverty. To annoy me, send money."

Warning notice at a seminary swimming pool: "First-year students are only allowed to walk on the shallow end."

"If absence makes the heart grow fonder," said a minister, "a lot of folks must love our church."

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## Cat Chat



by C. Cat Jr.

### ¿ Que es ¿

I have been very busy the past few weeks. Old Man is now volunteering three days a week at an elementary school. He works with 5 kindergarten classes.

Several days ago, old man was teaching Spanish to his hispanic kids. Yep, that's right. He has not yet learned Spanish and these kids all speak Spanish, but that's what he was doing. The kids are now into their fifth week and beginning to write. While Old Man has learned a lot of Spanish in the past year he still struggles. But in writing, the teacher gives them three words and then asks them to select a fourth to complete their sentence. For example they might have to write, "Yo soy un\_\_\_\_\_." Then they can fill in the blank with, "gato, perro, nino, or mono." This makes it simple for Old Man because he knows all these word.

Something else Old Man is learning in the Spanish is that rules for capitalization are different. Of course you capitalize a persons name, but you do not capitalize their title. For example in English we would capitalize Mister Smith. In Spanish it is mister Smith. Unless you choose to abbreviate to Mr., then in Spanish you would capitalize - not because of the name but because of the abbreviation. Same goes for the days of the week and the names of the months.

While you try to remember all that, you must remember that there is a different vocabulary and even punctuation. The period and comma remain the same. But if you use an exclamation or question mark, you turn it upside down and place it both at the beginning and the end of the sentence. Confused yet? Well, we do have fun. Will visit you again in a few days.

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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



Grandkids singing at the Christmas Tree Farm 2007

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