

# Texoma Enterprise

Howe, Texas  
75459

November 7, 2013



*Girls are Veterans too!*



## *Come meet some heroes on Veterans Day*

### *Clyde W. Coper Texas State Veterans Home hosts Veterans Day Ceremony*

**AUSTIN** — Residents at the Clyde W. Coper Texas State Veterans Home in Bonham invite the public to visit for a special Veterans Day Ceremony at 1:30 p.m. Monday, Nov. 11.

United States Marine Corps Master Gunnery Sergeant Timothy Cortes will serve as the guest speaker. Cortes served for more than 30 years in the Marine Corps in roles ranging from consultant to the People's Republic of China Marine Corps, overseeing the counter improvised explosive device integration center in Iraq and training the Afghan National Army.

The veterans living at the Clyde W. Coper Texas State Veterans Home will be recognized during the ceremony. The public is invited and encouraged to come and spend the day with these real American heroes.

Texas State Veterans Homes provide affordable, long-term nursing care for Texas veterans, their spouses and Gold Star parents. Eight homes are conveniently located across Texas and each first-class facility is designed to enhance quality of life with a clean, caring and dignified setting appropriate to those men and women who have served our country with honor. If you are interested in learning more about our State Veterans homes, visit [www.texasveterans.org](http://www.texasveterans.org) call 1-800-252-VETS.

**WHO:** *Everyone who supports Texas Veterans*

**WHAT:** *Veterans Day Ceremony*

**WHEN:** *1:30 p.m. Monday, Nov. 11*

**WHERE:** *Clyde W. Coper Texas State Veterans Home, 1300 Seven Oaks Road, Bonham*

## *Texas State Historian and Author at Van Alstyne Public Library*

November 23, 2013 2:00 pm - November 23, 2013 4:00 pm

### **Event Venue**

Van Alstyne Public Library

### **Description**

Bill O'Neal, Texas State Historian, and author of the new book on Van Alstyne will speak and sign copies of his book at the Van Alstyne Public Library on November 23 at 2:00 pm. Some of the proceeds from the sale of the books at this event will benefit the Friends of the Library.

## **Area Employers Plan Job Fair**

Area veterans, spouses and other job seekers will have the opportunity to meet with 20-plus employers in one setting on Thursday, Nov. 14, as the Texas Workforce Commission, Workforce Solutions Texoma and partners hold a job fair at Grayson College.

"Hiring Red, White and You!" is an event designed to connect Texas veterans and spouses, as well as others looking for employment, with area employers who are looking for qualified candidates for a variety of positions. The 9:00 am- 3:00 pm event will be held in the GC Main Campus Sports and Recreation Center gym.

More than 20 area businesses and industries have registered to attend the job fair. Employers looking for qualified candidates include: Lowe's Home Center, Capio Partners, NOVO 1, Tyson Foods, Denison Industries, Choctaw Casino Resort, Champion Cooler, Emerson Process Management/Fisher Controls, CVS/Caremark, Crossmark, Mays Home Health, Home Depot, Cardinal Glass of Durant, Voluntary Purchasing Groups, Texas Health-WNJ, Kelly Services, Mediastream, Consolidated Container, Durant Big Lots Distributing, Texas Dept of Criminal Justice, Volt Workforce Solutions, Ruiz Foods and Alorica.

Those planning to visit the job fair should be prepared to complete applications, drop off resumes and conduct quick introductory interviews onsite. Contact Workforce Solutions Texoma at 903-957-7408 for more information on how to participate.

### **Fall Grazing Tour**

#### **Profitable Grazing Management with Stockers**

**Tuesday, November 19, 2013**

**9 am to Noon**

Watson Farms, 3921 Elliott Road, Sherman, TX 75092

GLCI (Grazing Land Conservation Initiative) is hosting a Fall Grazing Tour. This farm tour will be at Watson Farms, an ecological and economical sustainable stocker operation, in Grayson County that grazes approximately 200-300 stockers. This is an in the field program where you will see and learn about profitable stocker management that does not negatively impact the range. Topics to be addressed will include electric fencing, rotational grazing, forage management and options, soil fertility, and cover crops.

Also learn about utilizing annual no till cover crops to create high quality and quantity forage. Learn how multiple species cover crops are being utilized to rebuild the soil by increasing soil tilth, organic matter, microbe populations, and fertility.

Event is Tuesday, November 19, 2013 from 9:00 a.m. to noon at Watson Farms, 3921 Elliott Road, Sherman, TX 75092. No RSVP required. No ceus offered. No program fees. For questions contact Matt Machacek at 903-257-6633 or Kevin Derzapf at 817-901-4944

Educational programs of the Texas AgriLIFE Extension Service are open to all people without regard to race, color, sex, disability, religion, age, or national origin.

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## GC Plans Week of Celebration for Area Veterans

Yellow ribbons are popping up around the Grayson College Main Campus as the Veterans Affairs office prepares for a series of activities for Veterans next week, starting on Monday, Veterans Day, with a 7:45 a.m. flag raising at the Administrative Services Building.

"It is our goal to honor all of our Veterans whether students or staff," said Cindy Powell of the Veterans Affairs office. "This week of celebration will highlight the on-going programs that the College has to support our students who have served in the military."

The following activities are planned:

### All week

The Veterans Affairs Student Navigators will have a banner available to give everybody a chance to write a brief "Thank A Veteran!" message.

### Monday, Nov. 11, 2013 (Veterans Day)

7:45 AM - Honoring our Flag - in front of the Administrative Services Building - Campus police officers, military veterans themselves, will raise the American Flag while the GC Music Department provides the 'wake' up music.

8:00 AM - All veterans are invited to stop by the Veterans Affairs office in the Bridge for a muffin to go on their way to class. The muffins will be prepared by our Culinary Arts Department and are free to veterans while supplies last.

10:40 - 11:00 AM - The public is invited to join the students, faculty and staff under the Bridge as the GC Music Department will once again provide some very patriotic entertainment; College President Dr. Jeremy McMillen will address our veterans. The Veterans Affairs office will give out a free lunch coupon provided by Great Western Dining for all Veterans present.

### Tuesday, Nov. 12

11:30 AM-12:30 PM - The Student Veterans Association will host an Education Benefit Information Lunch in the HUB (in the Bridge). Email [veterans@grayson.edu](mailto:veterans@grayson.edu) to reserve a seat.

### Wednesday, Nov. 13

11:30 AM-12:30 PM - Veteran students are invited to participate in Campus Emergency Management planning during lunch in the HUB (in the Bridge). Email [veterans@grayson.edu](mailto:veterans@grayson.edu) to reserve a seat.

### Thursday, Nov. 14

9:00 AM-3:00 PM - Area veterans, spouses and other job seekers are invited to a Job Fair. The Texas Workforce Commission, Workforce Solutions Texoma and partners for the statewide job fair have employers who are looking for good employees. More than 20 area businesses and industries have registered to attend. Event will be held in the Main Campus Sports and Recreation Center.

## Veterans Invited for Free Lunch

Texas-size Thank You For Serving Our Country

Who: **Sherman's Texas Roadhouse invites veterans and active members of U.S. military to enjoy FREE lunch on Monday, November 11. Every Texas Roadhouse location across the country will participate in the free lunch event to honor the men and women of our armed forces.**

**In celebration of Veterans Day, the public is invited to enjoy a free download of the song "Pride of America" by Nashville recording artist, Ayla Brown. Beginning Monday, November, 11, the song will be available for download at [www.texasroadhouse.com](http://www.texasroadhouse.com).**

What: All veterans - including all active, retired or former U.S. military - can choose one of 10 entrees, including a 6-ounce sirloin and two made-from-scratch sides plus a choice of any Coca-Cola product, sweet tea/ice tea or coffee during lunch. Proof of service includes military or VA card, or discharge papers.

Texas Roadhouse appreciates the men and women of our armed forces. This is our way of honoring them for their service to our country.

When: Monday, November 11, 2013 at 11:00 am - 2:00 pm

Where: Texas Roadhouse

2773 US Hwy 75 North

Sherman, TX

## What Do Republicans and Democrats Look Like?

By Glenn Mollette

*I've heard a lot of discussion about political profiles in recent days.*

*The Republicans supposedly are the corporate greedy CEOs and the Democrats supposedly are all those standing in the government entitlement lines. Not true.*

*My father was a republican. For thirty years of his life he drove an older model truck*

*Almost two hours one-way to Holden, W.Va. where he worked in an underground coal mine. He worked eight to ten hours a day and then came home to farm two to three hours before crashing into bed. We worked a small garden, cared for ten to twenty cows, had some hogs, raised a large corn patch and you get the idea. My father was always exhausted during the workweek.*

*My mother was a democrat. For several years she worked in the school system. She raised five children, washed clothes with a ringer washer in the early years and when there was not enough rainwater we carried water from the creek. She made breakfast and had supper on the table every evening and kept the house immaculately clean. She worked with my dad in the garden, milked cows, tended her flowers and like my dad was usually exhausted.*

*On Sundays they got dressed up and went to church. They sang in the church choir and often sang in a quartet in other churches. Life was not always easy and as with many families there were those times when we wondered if we would make it.*

*Looking back I can say my father was a hard working Christian Republican. My mother was a hard working Christian Democrat. Together, they built a house, raised five kids, entertained family and friends and both lived to be 85. They were not wealthy in retirement but with a thirty-year miner's pension, Social Security and a balanced lifestyle they did fine.*

*If only all Republicans and Democrats today could be as blessed. Imagine what our states and nation might accomplish if we worked together? These are tough times. We have to make some unpopular decisions in this country. People are hurting, stressed to the max and even in the streets hungry.*

*We cannot go on with the "Us against them" syndrome. If we do we are only going to lose more jobs, incur more national debt, lose more corporations to other countries, increase taxes and watch our communities drown in drugs, violence and poverty.*

*Abraham Lincoln was quoting the Bible when he said, "A house divided against itself cannot stand."*

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**NATIONAL RED RIBBON WEEK® CONTEST VOTING IS NOW LIVE AT [redribbon.org/](http://redribbon.org/)**

**YOUTH DRUG PREVENTION CAMPAIGN: "A HEALTHY ME IS DRUG FREE™"**

**- Ten schools from across the U.S. will each win \$1,000 grant for drug prevention -**

**- Ten families will each win an iPad for their home -**

**Online voting ends on Tuesday, November 19th, at 11:59 p.m.**

**(EST) There will be one winning family from each of the ten regions nationwide.**

The National Family Partnership® (NFP) announces that online voting is now live for the national contest for its 28<sup>th</sup> annual Red Ribbon Week®, until 11:59 p.m. (EST) Tuesday, November 19th. This year, families across America can vote online and help promote awareness in their communities.

Here's how families entered the national contest by decorating the front of their homes with this year's message: "A Healthy Me Is Drug Free."

1. Students brought the Red Ribbon Week® message home by working alongside parents to decorate their front door, mailbox, fence, etc. with this year's theme "A Healthy Me Is Drug Free™."
2. They took a photo with their family and their Red Ribbon Week® decoration, then uploaded it to [www.redribbon.org/contestor](http://www.redribbon.org/contestor) to (only parents or those aged 18+ could upload photos).

3. The voting is now live! Contestants are asking family and friends in their communities and local schools to vote for their entries at [www.redribbon.org/vote](http://www.redribbon.org/vote) Ten lucky winners from regions across the U.S. will win. Winners will be announced on December 6<sup>th</sup> on the [www.redribbon.org](http://www.redribbon.org) website and at events at the winning schools in December.

"Year after year, students have taken Red Ribbon Week's® message of prevention home to their neighborhoods with this national contest," said the NFP's Volunteer President Peggy Sapp. "By decorating their homes together with this year's Red Ribbon theme, families carried the message to their communities. Now during the online voting period, families can come together to discuss prevention and awareness while choosing their favorite entries and the Red Ribbon message can continue to be shared with their network of supporters online."

The nation's oldest and largest drug prevention campaign reaches more than 80 million people nationwide.

The DEA is co-sponsoring this year's national contest. "The DEA is proud to partner with the National Family Partnership on this contest and other initiatives that spreading the drug prevention message throughout our local communities," said DEA Administrator Michele M. Leonhart. "Wearing red ribbons in October represents our pledge to be drug free, and the sacrifice of DEA Special Agent Enrique "Kiki" Camarena and all who have lost their lives in the fight against drugs." Adds the NFP's Peggy Sapp: "Take the Red Ribbon Week® pledge across America to help children grow up safe, healthy and drug free." Visit [www.redribbon.org/pledge](http://www.redribbon.org/pledge) to take the pledge.

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## What's Happening?

November 2013						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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3	4	5	6	7	8	9
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**This calendar is new to the Texoma Enterprise. It is our intent to include National Holidays, local events, and birthdays/anniversaries. If you wish to include an event please let us know. Email [lanarideout@cableone.net](mailto:lanarideout@cableone.net) with your information.**





## Capitol Watch

By Larry Phillips, State Representative



### *Turn Around, Don't Drown*

For the past several years, Texas has been under a record drought. The drought has been so severe, that it is easy to forget how flood-prone many areas of the state are. Recently, parts of the state experienced heavy rainfall which, while greatly needed, resulted in flooding. Each year, more deaths occur due to flooding than from any other severe weather related hazard.

According to the National Weather Service (NWS), over half of all flood-related deaths occur when a vehicle is driven into hazardous flood water. The second greatest cause of drowning during a flood are the result of persons walking into or near flood waters. People frequently underestimate the depth and force of flood water, or do not heed warnings that a road is flooded. Only six inches of fast-moving flood water can knock over an adult, and two feet of rushing water can carry away most vehicles, including pickups and SUVs.

In order to make the public aware of the dangers associated with driving during flood conditions, the NWS in conjunction with state and local governments developed the "Turn Around, Don't Drown" public service announcements. These safety rules are listed on the NWS website:

- Monitor the NOAA Weather Radio, or other news source for vital weather related information.
- If flooding occurs, get to higher ground. Get out of areas subject to flooding. This includes dips, low spots, canyons, etc.
- Avoid areas already flooded, especially if the water is flowing fast. Do not attempt to cross flowing streams.
- Road beds may be washed out under flood waters. NEVER drive through flooded roadways.
- Do not camp or park your vehicle along streams and washes, particularly during threatening conditions.
- Be especially cautious at night when it is harder to recognize flood dangers.

For more information on flood safety, visit the NWS website at <http://www.nws.noaa.gov/om/water/tadd/tadd-intro.shtml>. You can contact me by writing to P.O. Box 2910, Austin, TX 78768-2910 or by e-mailing me at [larry.phillips@house.state.tx.us](mailto:larry.phillips@house.state.tx.us).



## Psalm 39:1-13 (KJV)

- <sup>1</sup> I said, I will take heed to my ways, that I sin not with my tongue: I will keep my mouth with a bridle, while the wicked is before me.
- <sup>2</sup> I was dumb with silence, I held my peace, *even* from good; and my sorrow was stirred.
- <sup>3</sup> My heart was hot within me, while I was musing the fire burned: *then* spake I with my tongue,
- <sup>4</sup> LORD, make me to know mine end, and the measure of my days, what it *is; that* I may know how frail I *am*.
- <sup>5</sup> Behold, thou hast made my days *as* an handbreadth; and mine age *is* as nothing before thee: verily every man at his best state *is* altogether vanity. Selah.
- <sup>6</sup> Surely every man walketh in a vain shew: surely they are disquieted in vain: he heapeth up *riches*, and knoweth not who shall gather them.
- <sup>7</sup> And now, Lord, what wait I for? my hope *is* in thee.
- <sup>8</sup> Deliver me from all my transgressions: make me not the reproach of the foolish.
- <sup>9</sup> I was dumb, I opened not my mouth; because thou didst *it*.
- <sup>10</sup> Remove thy stroke away from me: I am consumed by the blow of thine hand.
- <sup>11</sup> When thou with rebukes dost correct man for iniquity, thou makest his beauty to consume away like a moth: surely every man *is* vanity. Selah.
- <sup>12</sup> Hear my prayer, O LORD, and give ear unto my cry; hold not thy peace at my tears: for I *am* a stranger with thee, *and* a sojourner, as all my fathers *were*.
- <sup>13</sup> O spare me, that I may recover strength, before I go hence, and be no more.



## Christian Fellowship

Palmer Miller will be leading worship service this week at A Christian Fellowship Church in Luella. Come join them each Sunday morning at 9 am for coffee and doughnut fellowship, followed by classes for all ages at 9:30, worship service at 10:30.

David Ellis leads the church in praise and worship and it is a contemporary style service. Dress is casual.

There is a program for the children ranging in ages 2-11 called Kidz in Da Zone for Jesus. The children learn Bible stories, have puppet shows and have fun learning all about the Bible. This takes place during morning worship service.

The church celebrates "The Lords Supper" each Sunday morning during worship service.

Wednesday nights begin at 6:30 pm 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 David Ellis @ 903-815-1333 or Mike Ball @ 903-271-1870.

## Tom Bean Church of Christ

The Tom Bean Church of Christ invites everyone to come and worship with us. Our services begin each Sunday with Bible class for all ages at 9:00 am and worship at 10:00 am with congregational singing. The evening worship service begins at 6:00 pm. The Lord Supper is given each Sunday. Wednesday, we have Bible classes for all ages beginning at 7:00 pm. The church is located at the corner of FM902 and FM2729 South in Tom Bean, TX..

We have radio programs each Sunday at 7:30 am on KFYN 1420AM and KFYZ 93.5FM. The lessons are brought by A.C. Quinn. Also there are two other programs; the North Side church of Christ is on at 8:00 am, and Leonard church of Christ is on at 8:30 am both on KFYN 1420 AM.

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

"A Woman's Choice" a WEB video concerning a woman's pregnancy can be seen on [www.PregnancyDecisions.org](http://www.PregnancyDecisions.org).

## Area 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  
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](http://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  
**FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH**  
903/546-6231  
**FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**  
903/546-6898  
**INSPIRATION POINT COWBOY CHURCH**  
FM 2729, 2.5 miles  
South of Tom Bean  
Duane Peters,  
903-815-2278

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## LIVING WATER

Deleted!

My e-mail server has a new feature in the "Trash" folder: "Recover Deleted Items."

I understand the value of this feature. If I accidentally delete a message that I intended to keep (I'm sure that has happened in the past!), I can click on this button and retrieve it.

On the other hand, when I saw this new feature, I thought, "Why would anyone want to recover items that they have deleted?" The things that I delete are spam messages, ads in which I have no interest (and didn't want in the first place!), old news, junk mail (how did I get on their mailing list?), and messages that I don't want on my computer or in my mind. I've also deleted messages that after I've thought about them, decided not to send them out. I don't want to recover any of the messages that I've intentionally deleted!

Do you think God has a "feature" that "recovers deleted items"? Some fear that the sins that God has forgiven will be brought up again at judgment. Such people live in constant fear that the mistakes of their past will haunt them throughout eternity.

That's NOT what God wants for you and for me!

Consider a few of the passages of Scripture that inform us about how God forgives:

"For as the heavens are high above the earth, So great is His mercy toward those who fear Him; As far as the east is from the west, So far has He removed our transgressions from us." – Psalm 103:11-12

Micah the prophet praised God for His mercy and compassion: "You will again have compassion on us; you will tread our sins underfoot and hurl all our iniquities into the depths of the sea." – Micah 7:19

The writer of the book of Hebrews extolled the blessings of the New Covenant in which there is complete forgiveness: "For I will be merciful to their unrighteousness, and their sins and their lawless deeds I will remember no more." – Hebrews 8:12

Did you catch that? "Their sins and their lawless deeds I will remember no more."

He will NOT recover deleted items!

"God demonstrates His own love toward us, in that while we were STILL sinners, Christ died for us." – Romans 5:8

God sent His Son Jesus to die on the cross for our sins. Through Jesus, we can have forgiveness for our sins and receive the gift of eternal life: "For the wages of sin is DEATH, but the gift of God is eternal LIFE in Christ Jesus our Lord" (Romans 6:23).

God will forgive those who place their faith and trust in Jesus (Acts 16:30-31), turn from their sins in repentance (Acts 17:30-31), confess Jesus before men (Romans 10:9-10), and are confess (immersed) into Christ (Acts 2:38). Then, as one continues to walk in the light of His Word, the blood of Jesus will continue to cleanse that one of sin (1 John 1:7).

Through Christ, our sins are "washed away" (Acts 22:16), "forgiven" (Acts 2:38), "covered" (Romans 4:7)..... DELETED!! And God won't recover any deleted items!

Won't YOU accept His offer of forgiveness and life on His terms?

David Sargent, Minister  
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Church of Christ at Creekwood  
<http://www.creekwoodcc.org>

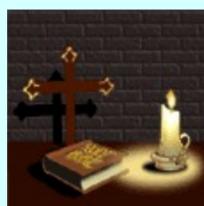
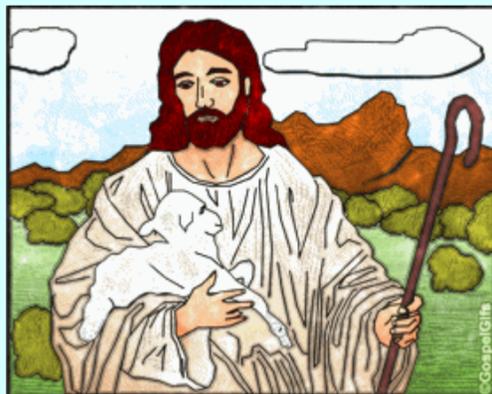
\* Keith Wishum, "What People Say About You," in A Word from Williams Road, provided by the Williams Road Church of Christ, Americus, GA. See <http://www.williamsroadcoc.org/>

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**PILOT GROVE  
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



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This image of JFK was published in my school yearbook (the *Quadrangle*) and thousands of other annuals across the nation.



This aerial view of Cole Junior/Senior High School is similar to what Kennedy must have seen as Air Force One buzzed Fort Sam Houston (from the *Quadrangle*, 1964)



**Reflections on John F Kennedy by Don Mathis. [Click](#) on this box to read his article that goes with these photos.**

*Countdown to Eternity: JFK's Last Brooks AFB Visit on Space Exploration* will be a lecture by Air Force historian on Saturday, November 9, 2013, 10 am at the San Antonio Central Library. This image is from <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=cShkfejrlUs>, which contains an audio recording of Kennedy's San Antonio speech.



Don Mathis stands in front of the Sixth Floor Museum, 2003.



Dealey Plaza as it appeared in November 2003.

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## Close to Kennedy – by Don Mathis

Every time I drive to or through Dallas, I glance over at Dealey Plaza. My eyes unconsciously drift towards the Book Depository, specifically the sixth floor window. And I think of what might have been.

My path has often crossed the streets and avenues that John F. Kennedy traveled on. I was a kid of 14 when my family moved to the suburbs of Washington, D.C. We visited Arlington, Virginia, in 1964 and I was astonished at the scene of Kennedy's grave. The mound of earth, covered with greenery, was as raw as the collective wound that still pained the nation.

Caps, faded and weather-beaten, of service members who attended his funeral, surrounded a small flame. I remember the caps; it just didn't seem fitting for a president's grave. But Jacqueline Kennedy made the right decision. She selected architect John Carl Warnecke to design a marble memorial for her husband and children. The caps are gone but the [eternal flame](#) is still a feature.

In the 1970s, I visited JFK's grave again to find his brother Robert buried nearby. And in the 1990s, I found the inscription for Jackie. Though the long lines of people paying respects have shortened, the Kennedy portion of Arlington National Cemetery is still one of the area's most visited sites.

Every visit to Washington, D.C., or Boston conjures memories of JFK for me. As does many parts of Dallas.

[Parkland Hospital](#) has a display commemorating the dark days of November, 1963. The leadership of the country was passed to LBJ when Kennedy was pronounced dead. Governor John Connally was treated there as well. The autopsy of Officer [J.D. Tippit](#), who was allegedly shot by Lee H. Oswald, was performed here. Two days later, Oswald himself was rolled into the emergency room.

I visited Dallas during the 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the assassination. [The Sixth Floor Museum at Dealey Plaza](#) is visible from IH35 but it merits a closer look. Conspiracy theorists hawk their books and pamphlets up and down Elm Street. Although their make-shift tables and megaphones appear a bit tacky, there is nothing disrespectful about the museum itself.

The Sixth Floor Museum chronicles the life and death of the late president. Although it explores the facets of alternate shooters, the focus of its 40,000 items is on facts and history. This month would be a powerful time to visit the site, to learn more, to leave a flower, to release an emotion.

But the memory of the first time my path crossed with that of Kennedy is the strongest.

Fifty years ago, a plane flew low over my seventh-grade classroom at Cole Junior/Senior High School at Fort Sam Houston near San Antonio, Texas. The principal came on the public address system. "That was the president," he exclaimed. The kids in my class felt elated that we had been so close to the most famous person on Earth.

Twenty-four hours later, the principal came on the PA system again. And a shock set in, comparable to that of 9-11.

Kennedy gave his last speech at Brooks AFB on Nov. 21, 1963 (audio <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=cShkfejrIU8>, text <http://kennedyatbrooks.blogspot.com/>), the day before he was assassinated. He spoke of a story from Frank O'Connor, the Irish writer.

As a boy, O'Connor and his friends would make their way across the countryside, and when they came to an orchard wall that seemed too high and too difficult to permit their voyage to continue, they took off their hats and tossed them over the wall – and then had no choice but to follow them.

"This nation has tossed its cap over the wall of space," Kennedy said to the audience in San Antonio, "and we have no choice but to follow it." Though he meant his metaphor to apply for aerospace exploration, the image serves to inspire other ideas.

As my path continues, I am reminded of Kennedy when I pass by memorials, high schools, and other buildings that bear his name. I am reminded of his youth and his vision of the future. I have hopes that such optimism will never die.



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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 23rd year to take all our grandchildren to the farm.



Grandkids singing at the Elves  
Christmas Tree Farm, 2007

## America's Commitment to Missile Defense

By Rick Nelson

Earlier this summer, Panamanian authorities seized missile radar systems from a North Korean freighter traveling from Cuba - clear evidence that Pyongyang is continuing its aggressive pursuit of a nuclear missile program. Meanwhile, Iran's extremist government shows no signs of slowing the development of its nuclear program and could have a weapon within a year.

These dual developments highlight the chief threat to American security in the 21st Century. With unparalleled military might, America has little to fear from conventional warfare with sovereign states. However, we remain shockingly vulnerable to attacks from rogue states that have acquired a nuclear weapon capability and the systems to deliver it.

The cost of failing to stop such an attack is unfathomable. It necessitates that protecting our nation from such a catastrophe be our chief security challenge. As such it's crucial that America continue to invest in robust missile defense capabilities. A technologically advanced shield provides invaluable protection from long-range missiles launched by rogue actors.

When Ronald Reagan first proposed building a missile defense system in 1983, the effort was derided by critics as "Star Wars." Naysayers insisted that the technology for missile defense only existed in the realm of science fiction. Today, missile defense is a proven, real-world technology.

America's political leaders from both parties have recognized the importance of missile defense technology to our national security infrastructure. Earlier this year, the Obama administration pledged \$1 billion for new missile interceptors along the West Coast, Alaska and Guam -- primarily in response to North Korean saber-rattling.

NATO intelligence suggests that all of Europe could be vulnerable to missile attack from the Middle East by 2018. News reports earlier this month revealed that the Pentagon is moving to build a missile-defense system in Romania to protect our allies in Southern Europe.

Worldwide, our allies depend on this technology. Israel has successfully used missile defenses against real attacks. The technology is a key part of the national defense strategies of Japan, South Korea and the United Arab Emirates. And Poland and Turkey are seriously considering adopting their own missile defense programs.

But while missile defense technology, contrary to the expectations of its detractors, has already demonstrated its worth, it is still a work in progress toward full effectiveness. In a July 5 test, a missile-defense interceptor missed its target over the Pacific Ocean. It was the Pentagon's third test failure in a row for long-range interceptors.

Yet these long-range interceptors have hit their targets in eight of 16 tests -- a significant accomplishment. And when it comes to intercepting short-range targets, the Missile Defense Agency has compiled an impressive 14-2 record.

The evidence suggests that our missile-defense capability is already effective and rapidly improving. If America keeps investing in this technology, there's little doubt we'll soon have a formidable layer of protection against attacks from rogue regimes.

The Pentagon is currently developing four complementary systems: the Ground-based Midcourse Defense System; its naval counterpart, the Aegis Ballistic Missile Defense; the Terminal High Altitude Area Defense system (THAAD); and the Patriot Air Defense Missile System, which is significantly more advanced since it gained fame during the first Iraq war.

Deploying and perfecting these missile systems is going to require an ongoing American commitment. It will require skillful coordination of many different assets on land, sea and air all over the world.

Fortunately, there is a global consensus regarding the necessity of missile defense. The NATO alliance has made territorial missile defense an operational priority. This means America and our allies are now pooling resources and expertise to bring missile defense systems online in a more timely and cost-effective manner. And we can extend protection to smaller nations that may not have the capability to set up a missile defense system on their own.

This kind of cooperation promises to usher in a new era for international security.

Rogue state actors cannot compete militarily with America and our friends and allies. Their only glimmer of power lies in their pursuit of asymmetric capabilities such as weapons of mass destruction. Accordingly, these countries will continue to pursue nuclear weapon and long-range missile capabilities with the intention of deploying them against America and its allies. These elements aren't rational. They aren't deterred by mutually assured destruction.

We can most effectively combat this threat by continuing to invest in missile defense technology. Protection for America and its allies will only come through hard work and unwavering commitment in the years ahead.

Rick Nelson, a vice president at Cross Match Technologies, is a senior associate at the Center for Strategic and International Studies, where he directed the Homeland Security and Counterterrorism Program from 2009 through 2012.

## Cornyn Calls On Sebelius To Resign

**WASHINGTON** – U.S. Senator John Cornyn (R-TX) joined Republican senators in sending a letter today to President Obama calling for the resignation of Health and Human Services Secretary Kathleen Sebelius.

*"We write today to formally request that you call for the resignation of Health and Human Services Secretary Kathleen Sebelius.*

*"After the failed October 1 launch of the federally-run Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act (PPACA) exchanges, HealthCare.gov, it must be acknowledged that the problems are profound, systemic and undeniable.*

*"In the days immediately following the launch, when it was apparent that problems were deep-seeded, Secretary Sebelius misled the public by claiming the issues were the result of high volume. According to her statements to the press, she even failed to inform you, the President under whom she serves, until days after the website launch that there were systemic problems needing millions more dollars and man hours to fix.*

*"We believe that action must be taken swiftly to protect the American people from further fallout."*

Senator Cornyn serves on the Finance and Judiciary Committees. He serves as the top Republican on the Judiciary Committee's Immigration, Refugees and Border Security subcommittee.

## Consider a Rebuilt Engine before Winter Hits

Dear Editor,

Before severe winter weather arrives, it's a good idea to make sure your vehicle's engine is running effectively and efficiently. If you find that your car or truck is experiencing major engine damage, but is in relatively good shape otherwise, consider repowering it with a rebuilt engine so you know you can count on it when the temperatures drop.

With rebuilding, a vehicle's engine or an identical one from another like-vehicle is completely disassembled, cleaned, machined and remanufactured/rebuilt. Unlike used or junk yard engines with an unknown performance and maintenance history, remanufactured/rebuilt engines are dependable, reliable and backed by excellent warranty programs.

In addition to making your vehicle more dependable, a rebuilt engine gets better gas mileage and emits fewer pollutants than a worn out engine. It's a sensible solution and much more cost effective than purchasing a new or used car. To learn more, visit the Engine Rebuilders Council website at [www.enginebuilder.org](http://www.enginebuilder.org) or follow us on [Facebook](#) and [Twitter](#).

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## Cornyn: Texans Suffer from Obamacare Broken Promises

*'At the same time the president was making the promise, his own administration acknowledged that the regulations they were passing would make it impossible to keep it'*

WASHINGTON – U.S. Senator John Cornyn (R-TX) criticized President Obama on the Senate floor today for misleading the American people about how Obamacare would affect their health insurance.

“When President Obama campaigned for re-election in 2012, he reiterated his promise from 2009 and 2010, again, a remarkably consistent message from the president. He said, if you like your existing plan and you wanted to keep it, you had nothing to worry about.

“We now learn that the Obama Administration itself issued the very regulations which have made this - keeping this promise - impossible.

“In other words, at the same time the president was making the promise, his own administration acknowledged that the regulations they were passing would make it impossible to keep it. Well, as you can imagine, people are increasingly frustrated by these broken promises.

“I recently set up a website in my office where my constituents can let me know how their personal health care coverage has been affected by the implementation of Obamacare. And I hope others who perhaps may hear my comments on the floor this morning, if they have stories that they would like for us to be able to tell, to explain how these broken promises have resulted in their inability to keep what they have, I hope they will let us know on our website. It's [cornyn.senate.gov](http://cornyn.senate.gov).

“One woman from Livingston, Texas, over in East Texas, writes, ‘My health insurance is being canceled due to the Affordable Care Act. My insurance company offered a plan that I can keep until 2014. Guess what? It's 19% more a month than my current plan and it drops coverage for laboratory and imaging studies.’ So not only is it more expensive, it actually reduces coverage.

“Going on, she said, ‘In December 2014, I'll have to change it again. Premiums for myself and my husband at that time will increase 100% each, which will equal just about half, 50%, of our gross monthly income. What exactly are we supposed to do?’

“Another woman from Pampa, Texas, up in the Texas Panhandle, writes that her monthly health insurance premiums have increased by 30% already over last year and now her policy is being canceled altogether because of Obamacare. So she's got to purchase a new health insurance policy that will cost, in her words, ‘much more’ than her existing coverage.

“After witnessing Obamacare's disastrous rollout and its long trail of broken promises, I think most Americans would agree it's time for something different.”

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

## Sebelius tells Cornyn: It's “Possible” Obamacare Navigators Could Be Convicted Felons

*Cornyn: ‘So a convicted felon could be a navigator and could acquire sensitive personal information from an individual unbeknownst to them?’*

WASHINGTON – While answering questions from U.S. Senator John Cornyn (R-TX) today during a Senate Finance Committee hearing, Health and Human Services Secretary Kathleen Sebelius said it was “possible” Obamacare navigators, who have access to Texans' personal information, are convicted criminals.

Cornyn: “The only thing I can conclude is it's impossible to do something in this Administration that gets you fired. It's impossible. You can lie to the American people, you can consistently misrepresent the facts but it's impossible to get fired.

“So I want to ask you about the navigators. The president's in Dallas, Texas, touting the navigator program, which as you know, are people who are hired to help people navigate the Affordable Care Act. But I would just like to ask you this question, if you would answer it. Isn't it true that there is no federal requirement for navigators to undergo a criminal background check, even though they will receive sensitive personal information from the individuals they help to sign-up for the Affordable Care Act?”

Sebelius: “That is true. States could add an additional background checks and other features, but it is not part of the federal requirement.”

Cornyn: “So a convicted felon could be a navigator and could acquire sensitive personal information from an individual unbeknownst to them?”

Sebelius: “That is possible.”

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## Should You Prepare a Medicaid Application Yourself?

Whether you should prepare and file a Medicaid application by yourself or should hire help depends on answers to the following questions:

How old is the applicant?

How complicated is the applicant's financial situation?

Is the individual applying for community or nursing home benefits?

How much time do you have available?

How organized are you?

Medicaid is the health care program for individuals who do not have another form of insurance or whose insurance does not cover what they need, such as long-term care. Many people rely on Medicaid for assistance in paying for care at home or in nursing homes.

For people under age 65 and not in need of long-term care, eligibility is based largely on income and the application process is not very complicated. Most people can apply on their own without assistance.

Matters get a bit more complicated for applicants age 65 and above and especially for those of any age who need nursing home or other long-term care coverage. In these cases, availing yourself of the services of an attorney is practically essential.

Medicaid applicants over age 65 are limited to \$2,000 in countable assets (in most states). It's possible to transfer assets over this amount in order to become eligible, but seniors need to be careful in doing so because they may need the funds in the future and if they move to a nursing home, the transfer could make them ineligible for benefits for five years. Professional advice is also crucial because there is a confusing array of different Medicaid programs that may be of assistance in providing home care, each with its own rules.

All of that said, the application process itself is not so complicated for community benefits (care that takes place outside of an institutional setting, such as in the beneficiary's home). In short, those over 65 in many cases will need to consult with an elder law attorney for planning purposes, but they or their families may be able to prepare and submit the Medicaid application themselves.

But submitting an application for nursing home benefits without an attorney's help is not a good idea. This is because Medicaid officials subject such applications to enhanced scrutiny, requiring up to five years of financial records and documentation of every fact. Any unexplained expense may be treated as a disqualifying transfer of assets, and many planning steps -- such as trusts, transfers to family members, and family care agreements -- are viewed as suspect unless properly explained. Finally, the process generally takes several months as Medicaid keeps asking questions and demanding further documentation for the answers provided.

Many elder law attorneys offer assistance with Medicaid applications as part of their services. This has several advantages, including expert advice on how best to qualify for benefits as early as possible, experience in dealing with the more difficult eligibility questions that often arise, and a high level of service through a long, grueling process. The one drawback of using an attorney rather than a lay service is that the fee is typically substantially higher. However, given the high cost of nursing homes, if the law firm's assistance can accelerate eligibility by even one month that will generally cover the fee. In addition, the payments to the attorney are generally with funds that would otherwise be paid to the nursing home -- in other words, the funds will have to be spent in any event, whether for nursing home or for legal fees.

## Howe High School Band Going to State Competition

The "Pride of Howe" High School Marching Band qualified to compete in the UIL State Marching Contest to be held in San Antonio November 4. Qualifying bands were selected from this Saturday's Area B contest in Denton. Five Grayson County band made the finals (Howe, Whitesboro, Van Alstyne, Gunter, and Tom Bean). However, finals were canceled due to bad weather. The top four marching bands from the first round of competition earned spots to attend the State competition (3 Grayson County bands - Howe, Van Alstyne, Whitesboro and Holliday).

The Howe Band members are looking forward to the State Competition. The band is part of a long tradition having taking State 2A titles in 1995 and 1997. This week's contest will be the 20<sup>th</sup> time for the Howe Bulldog Band to compete.

Howe Band Director, Angie Cavendar-Liss, looks forward to the competition. She marched on the field as a student and has been the band director for several years.

Photos from Howe Band Saturday, Oct. 27 contest in Denton.



**This video is from Rod Hawkins as posted on his Facebook page. Thank you Rod. This performance was the Area B contest in Denton.**



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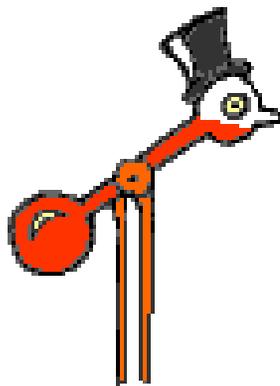
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With gently smiling jaws. – Lewis Carroll

A large income is the best recipe for happiness I heard of. – Jane Austen

Money is a singular thing. It ranks with love as man's greatest source of joy. And with his death as his greatest source of anxiety. – John Kenneth Galbraith

There are only two families in the world, my old grandmother used to say, the Haves and the Have-nots. Cervantes

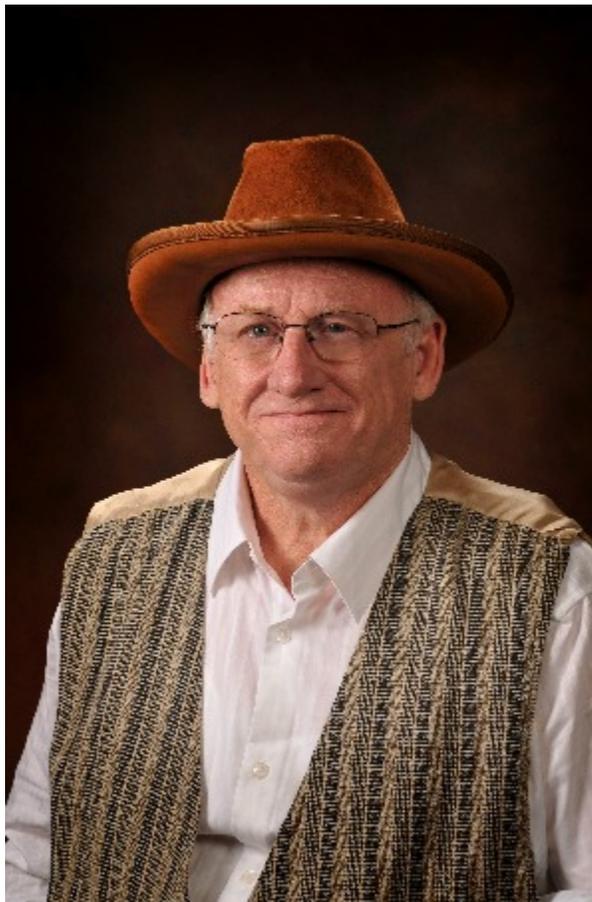
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## LET'S REMINISCE: VETERANS DAY STARTED AS ARMISTICE DAY

By Jerry Lincecum

One of my Elderwriters, the late Jack Frost McGraw, remembered the original Armistice Day, Nov. 11, 1918. She was a second grade student at Sherman's Jefferson School (then on Chaffin St.), and it was a bright November morning. The pupils were engaged in their opening exercises (the Lord's Prayer and Pledge of Allegiance), when Miss Evorie (the principal) rushed in to announce that the war was over. Students were told to go home to celebrate.

At seven years of age, this little girl knew what "celebrate" meant. It meant fried chicken and blackberry cobbler and all the aunts and cousins coming in to eat. It meant the dining room filled with grown-ups and the children waiting or being served at the kitchen table. It meant deviled eggs and pickles and, if it was a picnic, bread-and-butter sandwiches made from that delicious brown bread.

As she hurried home that morning, Jack disobeyed a standing rule: she cut through the park and walked by the Interstate Plant. Goodness! The whistles were stuck and they kept going off. They were awfully loud, and someone was shooting a gun! It kept going: Bang! Bang! Bang! Then the streetcar came down Grand Avenue and the bell was ringing.

She hurried on, thinking of the celebration to come. Upon reaching home, Jack stopped in her tracks. Her grandmother was dressed in her Sunday clothes, even wearing her hat. How could she fry chicken and make pies dressed like that? Then she said, "Put your things away and come with me; we're going to town to celebrate the end of the war."

There was nothing to do but follow instructions. Grandmother and I rode the streetcar with the clanging bell and where we got off at Travis and Lamar streets downtown, we could barely get through the crowds. The big red fire truck pulled by giant horses was coming down the street and Dad Hill was trying to hold the crowd back so they would not be trampled. We worked our way down to the bank, where Mother was waiting for us. She said, "We are really going to celebrate," but she took my hand and led me into a big restaurant. The man at the door took us to a table set with napkins and silver and glasses of water.

I wondered if he could fry chicken. He sure didn't look like he could bake pies. He wore a black suit and a white shirt and his tie was black too. He seemed like maybe he would preach or lead us in prayer. After he left, another man came with big cards. I thought surely this one was going to have a reading class; but Mother talked to him using words I didn't know, like oysters and a-la-mode.

I was anxious to get through with this visit so we could go celebrate with maybe a cake and candles to blow out. Pretty soon that last man returned and set some plates of food in front of us. It wasn't chicken or black-eyed peas, but Mother said I should taste it and see if I liked it.

It was oysters! That was the most delicious food I'd ever eaten. I ate all of mine and was about to ask for more when Mother said, "Wait a minute! You have a surprise coming." It was pie—cherry pie, my favorite—and on top of it was a big serving of ice cream.

Well, this was a celebration after all. I knew celebrate meant a big fancy meal. I just had never eaten fried oysters or pie-a-la-mode before. We really did celebrate Armistice Day, November 11, 1918.

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