

## Boll Weevil Assessments Mailed Recently

Boll weevil eradication assessment notices were recently mailed to cotton producers in the Upper Coastal Bend eradication zone.

The assessments are based on information cotton producers provide the Farm Service Agency when they certify their crops.

If growers find an error in the information on their billing, they will need to correct the information at their local FSA office and forward the corrected information to the Foundation.

A two percent discount is available to growers who pay the full assessment by July 31.

Assessments must be paid by

August 15 to avoid late payment fees.

Growers with failed acres are eligible to receive a refund of 50 percent of their assessment on those acres completely destroyed before the final certification date.

The fields must remain free of hostable cotton through December 31 to qualify for this refund.

TBWEF employees will monitor fields and certify they remained free of cotton.

Growers must also provide season-long access to all their fields and not be delinquent on any TBWEF assessments.

If all conditions are met the refund will be paid in early 2007.

To aid UCB growers who have been affected by adverse weather conditions, the TBWEF is offering payment extension agreements for producers whose accounts are current.

"For those having difficulty paying their assessment, help is available by contacting the assessments department and arranging an extension agreement," said Chief Financial Officer Tina Ballard.

Producers entering into an

extension agreement must make a 10 percent down payment, and they will be charged a late fee of one percent per month until their accounts are paid.

This late fee begins on the date the signed agreement and down payment are received by the Assessments Department.

Producers who are delinquent in payment and who do not have an extension agreement are subject to a late fee of 1.5 percent per month.

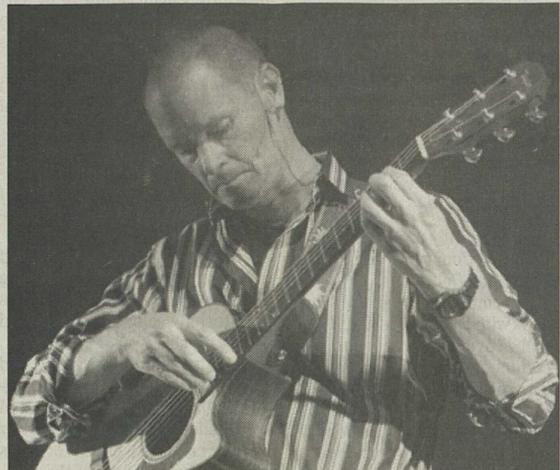
Producers with extension agreements have 150 days to pay their accounts.

For more information contact the Assessments Department in Abilene at (866) 672-2800.

The Texas Boll Weevil Eradication Foundation is a nonprofit, grower-initiated and funded organization dedicated to eliminating the cotton boll weevil from the state in the most cost effective and environmentally responsible manner possible.

**Lake Lumber Will Be Closed on Saturday, July 29 For Inventory**

**Sheridan 4-H Bar-B-Que**  
**Saturday, August 5**  
 4:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.  
 Brisket, Sausage, German Potatoes, Green Beans, Dessert and Tea  
 Drawing • Silent Auction  
 Plant & Prize Drawing • Cake Walk  
 Proceeds To Benefit 4-H members showing animals at the County Fair  
 Info: Darnell Varley-979.234.2426 or Carmen Jackson-979.234.3739



Performer Mike Rayburn entertained close to 300 guests at The Wharton County Junior College Foundation recent gala held at the Wharton Civic Center. The evening included a reception, silent auction, dinner, and performance by the classical guitar/comedian/singer. Proceeds from the event benefit the foundation's endowment, which supports student scholarships, faculty development and academic programs.

## WCJC Fall Web Sign-Ups End August 30

Wharton County Junior College (WCJC) is currently registering for the Fall 2006 semester. Students may register now through August 30 on the web. Walk-in registration may be completed at the Wharton campus, Sugar Land campus, or the Fort Bend Technical Center July 17 through August 30. Registration appointments are not required.

Fall classes begin August 28, 2006.

Wharton County Junior College offers an associate of arts

degree for those intending to transfer to a four-year institution, an associate of arts in teaching degree, associate of applied science degrees, and certificate programs. Distance education courses are available through the web, interactive television, and videocassettes.

For more information about programs or registration, call 800.561.9252 or visit www.wcjc.edu.

## Goat, Lamb Tag Deadline Aug. 14

Time is fast approaching for 4-Her's and FFA students to make decisions on how many ear tags they will need for the 2007 Texas 4-H/FFA Lamb Validation and Texas 4-H/FFA Goat Validation Programs for the major livestock shows.

The tags will cost \$9.00 each. In order to get our orders in on time we ask that you please turn in your orders to the Extension Office by August 14, 2006.

Tags must be paid for at the time of order.

Educational programs conducted by the Texas Cooperative Extension Service serve people of all ages regardless of socioeconomic level, race, color, sex, religion, handicap, or national origin.



Mr. and Mrs. Christopher Dwight Wager, Jr.

## Leopold, Wager Wed July 1 In Nada

Chrissy Marie Leopold and Christopher Dwight Wager, Jr. were united in holy matrimony at 3 p.m. July 1, 2006 at St. Mary's Church in Nada. Father Martin Leopold of San Antonio, cousin of the bride, performed the sacrament of marriage.

The bride is the daughter of Arthur and Betty Leopold of Nada and the granddaughter of the late Willie J. and Mary Kacal of El Campo and the late A. C. and Mary Leopold of Nada.

Parents of the groom are Christopher and Linda Wager of Glenwood, IL. He is the grandson of Florence Wager of Country Club Hills, IL and the late Charles Wager and the late Maynard and Elmyra Carlson.

Church decorations on the main altar featured two arrangements of red carnations, white gladiolas, roses and daisies. Matching arrangements were placed in front of the statues of the Blessed Mother and St. Theresa in memory of deceased family members.

Two candelabras adorned each side of the main altar. Large ferns completed the décor.

Organist Kevin Shimek and soloist Samantha Labay provided music. Selections included "Canon in D Major," "Trumpet Voluntary," "Only and Shadow," "One Bread, One Body," and "Panis Angelicus." The dedication to the Blessed Mother was "Hail Mary, Gentle Woman" and was sung by the bride's sister, Debbie Leopold.

Her father escorted the bride. She wore a satin, A-line gown with fabric that formed an apron drape over the front.

Her two-layer, fingertip length veil was adorned with crystals along the hemline. Her bouquet consisted of three cymbidium orchids and white roses backed with lemon leaf and hand tied with a white satin ribbon.

A pink rosary with heart-shaped beads was weaved into the bouquet that was a gift from her mother. She also carried a white handkerchief with lace edges that belonged to her grandmother.

Bridal attendants were the maid of honor, Debbie Leopold of Chicago, sister of the bride, Cathy Fearing of Austin and Stephanie Sommerlatte of Eagle Lake, friends of the bride, and Laura Wager of Glenwood, IL, sister of the groom.

The attendants wore black chiffon, tea-length gowns with white accents. Their bouquets were two calla lilies and bean

grass tied with a translucent red ribbon.

The groom's attendants were Best Men, Peter Vander Hout of Winnipeg, Canada, Cory Vallow of Chicago Heights, IL, Donald Murphy of Alsip, IL, and Anthony Marino of Chicago Heights, IL, all friends of the groom since grade school.

Ushers were Keith Drlik of Garwood, nephew of the bride, Eric Scaccia and Naomi Kiernicki of Chicago, friends of the groom. Altar servers were Rebecca and Patrick Dota. Witnesses were Valerie and Charlie Drlik, sister and brother-in-law of the bride. The lector was Laura Wager, sister of the groom, and gift bearers were Cindy Kimmel and Cari Wager, cousins of the groom. The bride's father, Arthur Leopold, served as Eucharistic Minister.

The reception followed the ceremony at the Wharton Civic Center. The hall was decorated in red white and black. The wedding cake was a three tier square confection topped with a dancing bride and groom and strawberries were placed between each tier.

The groom's cake was a chocolate sheet cake with a guitar and the Chicago Cub's emblem on top. Members of the House Party were Valerie Drlik, Allison Herrera, Lori Rathburn and Marsha Faichinger, sisters of the bride, and Melissa, Audrey, Rachel Drlik, Julie Meisner, Margie Leopold and Tiffany Hairell. Barney Douglas of El Campo provided the music. Corky and Lori Rathburn, sister and brother-in-law of the bride, led the grand march.

The bride's & groom's parents hosted the rehearsal dinner at the Leopold's home Friday evening. Rev. Joe Verna, the new pastor of St. Mary's parish in Nada, was a special guest as were some of the out of town quests of the groom.

The bride is a 2000 graduate of Rice Consolidated High School and a 2004 graduate of Texas A & M University with a Bachelor's of Science in Biology. She is currently working as a food microbiologist for a lab in Crown Point, IN, and is pursuing a Master of Science in Biology at Illinois Institute of Technology.

The groom is a 2000 graduate of Bloom High School in Chicago Heights, IL and is currently finishing his Bachelor's of Arts in fiction writing at Columbia College Chicago.

After a honeymoon cruise to Jamaica, Grand Cayman, and Cozumel, the couple will reside in Glenwood, IL.



**Happy 30th Anniversary**  
 An anniversary is a time for looking back on happy memories... ..and looking ahead with joy and excitement!  
 May your joy in each other last a lifetime!!  
 Love-Vanessa, Stephanie, Haley, Alyssa and Dylan



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**Happy 50th Birthday Wesley!**

## Hassin Graduates Air Force Dental Program

Air Force Airman Jennifer M. Hassin has graduated from the Dental Assistant Apprentice Course at Sheppard Air Force Base, Wichita Falls, Texas.

The course is designed to train airmen to assist dentists in all dental treatment procedures, in-

cluding oral and instrument anatomy, sterilization of instruments, preventive dentistry procedures, and X-ray techniques.

She is the daughter of Beth S. Hassin of Eagle Lake.

Hassin is a 2004 graduate of Rice High School in Altair.

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