



D-Backs

Coaches: Andrew Castaneda, Bruno Flores, David Llanos. Kneeling left to right: Steve Torrez, Jr., Jonathan Melendez, Joshua Torrez, William Lofland. Back row left to right: David Castaneda, Jason Rodriguez, Dallas Garza, Daniel Robles, David Llanos.



Pirates (Major Boys)

Coaches: Oscar Owen, Jr., Oscar Owen, Sr. Kneeling left to right: Christian Gonzalez, Luke Dishongh, Hunter Dishongh, Marc-Anthony Gonzales., Back row left to right: R.J. Gonzales, Ryan Almanza, Nathan Cranek, Troy Richardson, Luther Cole.

Eagle Lake Area Military News

Specialist Le'Teshia Banks has returned from her tour of duty in Iraq. Specialist Banks has a sister, Pvt. Ashley Banks stationed in Georgia and a brother Pvt. Anthony Banks stationed in Fort

Campbell Kentucky. Let's keep all of our military servants in our prayers. She is the daughter of Pamela

Banks Johnson, granddaughter of Joyce Banks and niece of Vivian Banks. Le'Teshia has re-enlisted and is now stationed at Ft. Hood.



Specialist Le'Teshia Banks



Airman Reannen R. Purser

Air Force Airman Reannen R. Purser graduated from basic military training at Lackland Air Force Base, San Antonio, Texas. The airman completed an intensive, eight-week program that included training in military discipline and studies, Air Force core values, physical fitness, and basic warfare principles and skills. Airmen who complete basic training earn four credits toward an associate in applied science degree through the Community College of the Air Force. Purser earned distinction as an honor graduate. She is the daughter of Kim Purser of Eagle Lake. The airman graduated in 2008 from Reagan High School in Houston.

State Play-Offs
Rice 7 On 7
Football
 CHICKEN SPAGHETTI, GREEN BEANS,
 GARLIC BREAD AND APPLE STREUSEL DESSERT
Thursday, June 25th, 2009 \$ 8.00 per Plate
 E.L. Jr. High School (Johnnie D. Hutchins Dr.) 5:00-6:30pm
 Drop-Off @ Garwood Elementary 5:30 - 6:30pm
 Drop-Off @ Sheridan Elementary 5:30-6:30pm
 THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT

Let us entertain you!
Saturday, July 4th
Family 4th Celebration
 4-10 PM @ Seabourne Creek Park - 3827 TX36 South
 Featuring Radio Disney, Doubleback and Let it Ride in Concert
 Inflatable KidZone - Horse Drawn Wagon Rides
 Railroad Museum Exhibit - Food & Refreshments
 And The Best Fireworks Show West of the Brazos -- and more!

Friday Night Concerts
 @ 7 PM - Third Street Park in the Historic Downtown District
 Bring your lawnchairs and friends for seven evenings
 of Great Music featuring old school country to
 MoTown to serious blues.
 Jul 10 - Rob Darien & The Outside Dogs
 Jul 17 - The Drywater Band
 Jul 24 - Level One Band & The Royal Tempts
 Jul 31 - Mark Smith & His Texas Blazing Pianos
 Aug 7 - KARAOKE NIGHT! By DJ's Unlimited
 Aug 14 - The MoFo Party Band
Sponsored by Bill Butler
 Aug 21- Sugarland Brass Company
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Rosenberg Convention & Visitors Bureau, 2110 4th Street, Rosenberg, TX 77471 Tel: 832-595-3520

Disking Helps Habitat Health

By Texas Parks and Wildlife

A general statement can be made that the most productive wildlife habitat is found on properties with diverse vegetation.

In the Coastal Prairie and Post Oak Savannah ecoregions of Texas, diverse plant communities result from properly managed habitat "disturbance" or manipulation.

The tools for proper habitat manipulation in South Central Texas are flash grazing or rotational grazing, prescribed burning, disking, and brush control.

Without disturbance, prairies evolve into dense grass stands and experience brush encroachment, brush stands become thick and impenetrable, and oak timber loses its understory vegetative structure.

Many seed producing plants beneficial to wildlife tend to be annual forbs or weeds.

These plants tend to be early successional plants.

However, it is not just the

seeds of plants that are important.

A large part of a deer's diet consists of forbs, particularly when they are young and highly palatable.

Because the seeds of these types of plants lay dormant in soil for years, disking can be a very effective tool to germinate seeds.

A properly implemented disking program will create "food plots" consisting of native vegetation without buying, planting, or fertilizing any seed.

Habitat manipulation practices should be conducted in stages over time and space.

A good rule of thumb for this area is scheduling practices on a three year rotation.

In other words, the most a landowner should disturb in any year is one third of the acreage. Remember this includes all the management practices you may be incorporating (prescribed burning, planting commercial food plots, grazing, etc.) since this would further reduce the amount of disking in a year.

Additionally, practices such as burning need to be on a three year rotation.

Further, to keep with the diversity theme, it is recommended that you disk strips rather than large areas.

In fact, a landowner can easily merge a disking plan with a burning plan, allowing the disked strips to serve as fire breaks.

Finally, it is recommended that the disking of strips be staggered within the year.

Disking can be conducted in the late summer/early fall to promote cool season forbs and throughout the winter into early spring to promote warm season forbs.

For example, once a landowner has determined how many acres to disc a year, divide the acreage into cool season and warm season disking projects, and further divide those over a 2 or 3 month period.

A landowner could end up with multiple strips, some disked in late August, some in October, some in late January, some in February, and some in March.

It is impossible to get too diverse, so the amount of variation created by disking is basically up to the landowner, time, money, equipment, and to a certain extent, weather.

Some things to keep in mind when implementing a disking plan:

-Do not disk sloping areas that may cause erosion problems.

-Be ready to disk—have all your equipment in good working order—and start disking when your plan calls for it.

-Disking depth can vary. This creates plant diversity by varying the depth and intensity of disking.

-Do not disk if it is too wet. -You can lightly fertilize your disked strip.

Disking is just one of the valuable habitat management tools available to landowners.

Your local Texas Parks and Wildlife biologist can provide comprehensive technical assistance and management planning tailored to your individual property.

If you would like to contact your local biologist, see our website at: <http://www.tpwd.state.tx.us/wildlifebiologist>.

Hurricane Season Began On June 1

June 1 marked the beginning of hurricane season in the United States. This season, which will last until November 30, is predicted to be "near normal," which means that we can anticipate some hurricanes to affect various regions of the United States.

The Administration on Aging (AoA) wants to take this opportunity to remind everyone that the best way to prepare for the potential threats that hurricanes or other disasters can bring is to have a personal or family readiness plan.


Everyone, even, those living outside of hurricane-risk areas, should check personal preparations such as emergency kit supplies (enough to last at least 72 hours), note messages from local emergency officials, and rehearse emergency evacuation routes and family disaster plans. There is no better time to plan than now.

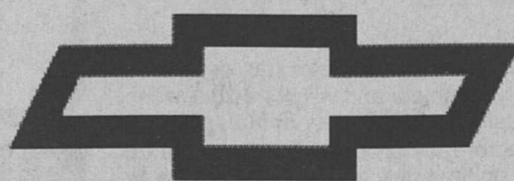
Throughout this past year, AoA has been working with its

federal, state and local partners to increase preparedness and response throughout the national aging services network in order to best care for those we serve. These conversations have been an opportunity to share important information about what has worked in past disasters and identify areas that are still in need of improvement. When a disaster hits, AoA's network serves as trusted and courageous first responders, working in their states and communities to assist older adults who are impacted or who may be impacted. We encourage everyone to contact their state, tribal and local offices on aging now to learn what their plans are for addressing the challenges that disasters can bring and how you can help to protect the lives of those you love.

For more preparedness information, please visit <http://www.hhs.gov/disasters/> or www.fema.gov and www.ready.gov.

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