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'Miss Tyler County' Pageant To Be Staged Saturday, Feb. 3

Miss Tyler County 1989, Dusty Swafford will crown a new Miss Tyler County 1990, February 3, at the Kirby Auditorium. Miss Swafford will also entertain the audience with her fiddle during the evening. Miss Dusty Jo Swafford is the 1989 Miss Tyler County. Dusty is the daughter of Johnny and

Mary Kay Swafford of Hillister. She graduated from Warren High School in 1989 with advanced honors. She is presently attending Stephen F. Austin University where she is majoring in Art. She has continued to share her talents in church and for many civic organizations throughout Tyler County.

She recently participated in a video "Pioneer Days in Tyler County" which is available at the Heritage Village for promotion of Tyler County. She will be the entertainment for the annual FFA Convention to be held at Stephen F. Austin University in Nacogdoches on Feb. 21st. Dusty will be performing.

Crowning the New Miss Tyler County of 1990 on Feb. 3rd in the Kirby Auditorium. The Pageant starts at 7:30 pm and tickets are now on sale at Jarrott's Pharmacy, Chamber of Commerce or from members Izens Sheffield or Missy Ogden. Advance tickets are \$3.00 and \$3.50.



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Dusty Swafford
1989 Miss Tyler County

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Heritage Village Museum
New Children's Books
New Quilts, New Wooden Bowls
Beautiful Hand Painted Bookmarks
Pioneer Life in Texas 1820-1860
THURSDAY February 1, 1990
Woodville, Texas 75799



Chamber Banquet Draws Huge Crowd

The Annual Tyler County Chamber of Commerce Banquet on Thursday with background photographs of the Keller Industries adorning the ballroom of the Woodville Inn when Keller Industries was honored for its 30 years in Tyler County's Industrial Park. The presentation was made by Don Forse, president of the Chamber of Commerce to John Craine, supervisor for the Woodville plant.

Forse, as MC, introduced special guests, including: Bobby Fillyaw, representing Senator Bill Haley; Roger Wiegaffe, representing Sam Houston Electric Co-operative; Ken Wood, representing Southwestern Bell Telephone Company; Judge and Mrs. Monte Lawless, District Judge; former Judge Josiah Wheat; Walt Davis, Woodville city secretary; Mayor Thomas Knapp and councilmen, Ken Weaver, Billy Rose, Doug Tolbert; Tyler County officers, Judge Jerome Owens, Sheriff Gary Hennigan, County Clerk, Donece Gregory, District Clerk, Patricia Brown and President of the Woodville School Board George Jarrott.

nate the land for the site of the Gib Lewis Correction Facility.

It was a special to have Archer honored when Keller Industries received the first Chamber Business of the Year award. He was accompanied by wife, Julie.

Dr. Eugene Finkin was guest speaker for the 43rd annual event.



Dr. Eugene Finkin



OUTSTANDING CITIZEN OF THE YEAR. Sergio Ramos, who has plaqued Ramos has served as tennis coach and Spanish teacher at Woodville since 1967.

KELLER RECEIVES FIRST Business of the Year Award (photo top) from the Tyler County Chamber of Commerce. Dr. Eugene Finkin, president of Keller (l) John Craine, of Woodville Keller plant receives the award from Woodville Mayor Tom Knapp, while Judge Jerome Owens looks on. (Photo bottom) New Chamber president, Larry Phillips, (r) presents the president's plaque to out-going president, Don Forse.

Dr. Larry Phillips In Chamber Drivers Seat

The gavel of the president was handed to Dr. Larry Phillips, president for 1990 by Forse. Phillips then introduced the new officers and directors. Bob Belt will serve as vice-president, and Jeanne Buck is the Chamber secretary. Directors whose terms end in 1990 included: Earlene Allison, Don Forse, Anne Tolbert and Gil Tubb. Directors whose terms end in 1991 included: Robbie Barnett, Catherine Bold-

ing, Morris King, Russ Nalley and Marcus Payne. Directors who will serve until 1992 are Bob Aldridge, Webb Ashworth, Bob Belt, Gene Koci and Billy Rose. Standing committee chairmen include: Bob Belt, Membership and dues; Bob Aldridge, Chairman of the Welcome committee; Industrial Development, Chairman Gene Koci; Hospitality and Beautification, chairman

Morris King, Tourism, Cathie Smith, chairman; Publicity and Public relations, Bill Rose, Chairman and Larry Phillips; DVM will serve as chairman of the Plannings and Goals Committee. The flowers and decorations were furnished by Connie's Flower Shop and entertainment by Charlie Pruitt and the County Pride Band. The benediction was given by Don Stevenson.

Guard Armory Activates

U.S. Congressman Charles D. Wilson of Lufkin will be the main speaker at the ceremony commemorating the activation in Jasper, Texas, of Battery A, 1st Battalion,

133d Field Artillery, Texas Army National Guard. The ceremony was held at 11 a.m. Tuesday, Jan. 30, 1990, at the old Owens Illinois maintenance facility located at the intersec-

tion of FM 777 and Highway 63 in Jasper. Other speakers at the ceremony making the move of a Guard unit into Jasper include: Maj. Gen. (To Page 8A)

Finkin Coins 'Woodville Quality'

Keller Industries in Woodville is the largest of the five major plants of the Keller chain according to Dr. Eugene Finkin, president of Keller Industries. Finkin addressed the Tyler County Chamber of Commerce Annual Banquet and awards program on Thursday at the Woodville Inn which honored Keller for its 30 years in Woodville. More than 35 Keller employees joined in the tribute to their company. The Woodville plant, according to Finkin, employs nearly 500 persons and is an investor owned and professionally managed corporation which has major plants in Virginia, Florida, Texas and California. "Woodville may be our best... no, is undoubtedly our best," Finkin emphasized. Coining the term "Woodville Quality" in his speech, "It's a crying shame more of our Texas Brethren don't know about our products," Finkin said. The company which be-

gan as a family owned organization flow has annual sales of \$250 to \$300 million from its three product-

areas including, ladders, bath and shower items, lawn furniture, building products; (windows, patio doors, storm doors, and

Dr. Parker To Retire After 27 Years; Reception Set Sunday, Feb. 4, 8 p.m.

Dr. Raymond A. Parker, pastor of the First Baptist Church of Woodville, who retires after some 27 years of service to his church and the Woodville Community, will be feted, along with his wife Bobbie, this Sunday evening, Feb. 4, after preaching at his last regular worship service which begins at 7 p.m. in the reception hall of the Lions Fish Fry.

church which many say ne first... his people helped guide into the modern age of radio, TV, and Day Care centers. But he was a people man.

The Woodville Lions Club Fish Fry and Silent Auction is to be Friday, February 2, 1990 from 4-7 p.m. at the Lions Den. Seated service or take-out \$5.00. All Lions club members have tickets for sale.



Dr. & Mrs. Raymond A. Parker



WOODVILLE KELLNER CHIEF Executive John Craine (l) Wife, Nancy (center) Dr. Eugene Fink on right.



DON FORSE, (l) PRESIDENT OF THE CHAMBER, presents "Polly" Archer (r) the Honorary Outstanding award plaque.



RUPERT AND MONA PHILLIPS (l) of Dallas attended the chamber ceremony when son, Larry Phillips, was installed as president of the Tyler County Chamber of Commerce. Accompanying Phillips (second from l) was wife, Carol Ann, (r) and son, Bryan.

Charter No. 411

City Woodville

Assn. Name Southeast Texas Savings and Loan Association Charter Date June 26, 1961
 Street Address 400 West Bluff St. ZIP 75979 Date Insured October 16, 1966
 County Tyler Phone No. (409) 283-3615 No. Authorized Branches 2
 Mailing Address 400 West Bluff St. ZIP 75979 No. Operating Branches 2
 City Woodville State Texas No. Operating Agencies 2
 President Richard F. Davis *Managing Agent RYC Salvatore Cirone
 *President Keith L. Reese Secretary Gay Nell Abbott
 (Managing Officer designated by asterisk)

STATEMENT OF CONDITION - DECEMBER 31, 1989

ASSETS	
Cash on Hand and Demand Deposits	01 \$ 1,318,095.
Securities and Investments	02 7,035,034.
Stock in Federal Home Loan Bank	03 932,000.
Mortgage Loans	04 15,866,200.
Other Loans	05 1,374,320.
Real Estate Owned	06 461,684.
Investment in Real Estate (other than REO)	07 -0-
Office Bldg. (net of depr.) and Land	08 695,123.
Furniture, Fixtures, Equip. and Leasehold Imp. (net)	09 59,981.
Investment in Subsidiary Corporations	10 -0-
Deferred Charges and Other Assets	11 811,010.
TOTAL ASSETS	12 \$ 28,553,447.

LIABILITIES	
Deposit Accounts	13 30,666,706.
Advances from FHLB of Dallas	14 -0-
Other Borrowed Money	15 -0-
Other Liabilities	16 409,966.
TOTAL LIABILITIES	17 \$ 30,776,672.

EQUITY CAPITAL	
Preferred Stock	18 5,000.
Common Stock	19 -0-
Paid-in Surplus	20 288,750.
Other Capital Accounts	21 551,616.
Retained Earnings	22 (3,068,591.)
TOTAL EQUITY CAPITAL	23 \$ (2,223,225.)
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND EQUITY CAPITAL	24 \$ 28,553,447.

Board of Directors (Chairman-designated by asterisk).

*Salvatore Cirone	Ernest Reuter
Sam Bethea	Richard F. Davis
John Blair	
Tommy Weaver	
Dr. James M. Brown	

Certified to be true and correct by Salvatore Cirone
 Title Managing Officer

STATE OF TEXAS
 COUNTY OF TYLER
 We, Richard F. Davis, as President and Gay Nell Abbott, as Treasurer of the Southeast Texas Savings and Loan Association, located at 400 W. Bluff St., Woodville, Texas, each of us do solemnly swear that the statement of condition as of December 31, 1989, submitted herewith is true to the best of our knowledge and belief.

CORRECT-ATTEST
Richard F. Davis President Gay Nell Abbott Treasurer
 Subscribed and sworn to before me this 25th day of January 19 90
Ruby Nell Tillerson Notary Public, Tyler County, Texas
 Ruby Nell Tillerson
 Commission Expires - 7-20-91

Garage Sale
 GARAGE SALE-Friday, Feb. 2, 205 E. Wheat St. One block east of the Sears store. Baby and children's clothes, household items and much more. (5-1-TP)
Garage Sale-Camper w/AC, Ice Box, Stove, table-sleeps 2, well pump w/Motor; landscape material, windows, Coleman camp stove, refer, range, port dish washer, furniture, 4 chests of drawers, gym sets weights and benches, 6 HP Craftsman tiller w/attachments. Trade City, 1/2 miles North of Woodville, Hwy 69: (60-TFN-TC)

Antiques
 DOGWOOD ANTIQUES & GIFTS-New Arrivals: Round Pine Table \$349.00, Pine Drop Leaf Table \$149.00, Victorian Slipper Rocker with Cane Back \$165.00. Lots of smalls. 106 S. Charlton, 283-7842. (2-TFN-NC)

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XLT PKG, V-6 Engine, 5 Speed, P 215 Raised Letter Tires, Rear Jump Seats, 2-Tone, Air Conditioner, Chrome Rear Bumper, AM-FM Stereo Cassette, Tachometer, Cast Aluminum Wheels, Clearcoat paint, Interval Wipers

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1989 DODGE SPIRIT-4 Dr., blue, auto, loaded, \$8,595
 1989 DODGE SPIRIT-4 Dr., white, auto, loaded, \$8,795
 1989 PLYMOUTH ACCLAIM-4 Dr., gray, loaded, \$7,995
 1989 DODGE SPIRIT- Light blue, 4 Dr., auto, music, rear defrost, \$8,895
 1989 PLYMOUTH ACCLAIM- Blue, 8,000 miles, 4-Dr., loaded, \$8,895
 1989 PLYMOUTH VOYAGER SE-white, custom stripes, tilt, cruise, music, PW, PD, 7 passenger, All makes cars, completely loaded, \$12,995
USED CARS
 1989 PLYMOUTH SUNDANCE-Auto, PSPB, AM/FM, rear defrost, low miles, \$7,495
 1988 DODGE DYNASTY LE-one owner car, tilt, cruise, cassette, loaded, \$7,495
 1988 DODGE B-50 PICKUP-one owner, low miles, tilt, cassette, custom stripes, \$5,995
 1986 PONTIAC FIREBIRD-One owner V-6, tilt, cruise, cassette, rally wheels, like new, \$5,695
 1986 FORD LTD-4 Dr., auto, tilt, cruise, cassette, V-6, \$4,395
 1988 PONTIAC GRAND AM-loaded, nice car, low miles, cruise, cassette, loaded, \$7,495
 1988 CHEVY CELEBRITY-tilt, cruise, cassette, PW, auto, low miles, reduced to, \$6,995
 1983 CHEVY BERETTA-like new, 12,000 miles, reduced to, \$7,995

Hwy 69 SOUTH WOODVILLE
 283-8151 283-8152

For Sale
 FOR SALE-Garden Tiller, 2 Wards 5 HP; 1 White 5 HP; 1 Western Auto 5 HP; 1 Hustler 5 HP; 1 Sears 3 HP; 1 White's 3 HP; and 1 Western Auto 5 HP. Rear Tine Tiller, 283-7401. (5-1-TP)
FOR SALE-Sears Kenmore Gas Dryer \$35.00. 837-5683. (5-1-TP)
FOR SALE-Singer Zig Zag, 3 mos. old, overcasts, button holes, monograms, embroiders, open arm for cuffs, mends, top stitches, blind hems, designs, appliques. \$77.61 cash or payments. For free home trial, call 833-5405. (5-1-TP)
FOR SALE-Early American Oak China Cabinet oval shaped, curved glass around front. \$250-\$300. Call 283-7642. (4-2-TP)
FOR SALE-Peanut Full Size Dining Room Suite, chairs & cabinet \$750. Call 283-7642. (4-2-TP)
PIANO FOR SALE. Wanted: Responsible party take on small monthly payments on piano. See locally, Call Manager at 800-635-7611 anytime. (2-3-TC)
FOR SALE-One long wheel base camper, ice box, air conditioner, stove, sleeps two. (57-TFN-TC)

Help Wanted
TEXAS REFINERY CORP. needs mature person now in Woodville area. Regardless of experience. Write: W.K. Hopkins Box 711, Ft. Worth, TX 76101. (5-1-TC)
EAST WORKS EKCEL-ENT PAVI. Assemble products at home. Call for information 504/641-8003 Ext. 7271. (Open 7 Days). (5 & 7-TC)
GENERAL CLEAN UP of machine shop and fork lift operator. References required. Apply by mail: P.O. Box 429, Woodville. (5-1-TC)
WANTED-Buildings to be torn down or moved. Trade City Salvage. 283-2833. (59-TFN-TC)
F A B M F R S INSURANCE Group is looking for top-notch individual to develop an Insurance Agency in Woodville. Earn full commission while you lead, for a future with unlimited income potential. College Degree preferred. For confidential interview, call collect 409-835-1453. (51-TFN)
WANTED-Volunteers needed at Caring Is Sharing. Call 283-5800 MWF. For more information, call information.(TFN) for

Misc
WILL TRADE-A night of television for a good Bible study-Interested? Call 283-8328. (4-TFN-TC)
SALVAGE-Kitchen Cabinets, drain board/wsink, bathroom fixtures, windows, doors, used lumber. Trade City Salvage. 283-2833. (59-TFN-TC)
ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS meet at St. Paul's Episcopal Church on Monday at 8:00 P.M., Thursday at 8:00 P.M., Saturday at 8:00 P.M. For more information call 283-5651 (TFN-NC) WE ARE LOOKING for those who are interested in worshipping with a group of Christians after the New Testament pattern. Call 283-8328. (4-TFN-TC)

Autos
FOR SALE-1984 Pontiac Sunbird Station Wagon; automatic, power air, excellent condition inside and out \$2450. 283-5301 or 283-2164. (5-1-TC)
FOR SALE-1987 Nissan Sentra XE. 4 door, locks and runs like new \$4500. 283-5301 or 283-2164. (5-1-TC)
FOR SALE-79 LTD, 2 Dr. runs good, good rubber \$700 or will negotiate. J.C. Walker 547-3603. (5-1-TC)

House For Sale
FOR SALE-4 Bd, 2 1/2 Ba, large kitchen/den, dining room, 1 car garage, car port, covered patio. Large fenced yard with trees. Close to schools. Special terms on financing available. Call 283-2209 for further details. (5-2-TP)
FOR SALE-3 Bd, 1 1/2 Ba, Frame house, small barn, fenced, 4 cross-fenced, 5+ acres, Hwy 287 North, 1 1/2 miles from Woodville. \$25,000. 283-2171. (5-2-TP)
TO BE MOVED-1 bed- room-house, Dam B area. 429-5674. (5-4-TP)
FOR SALE-2 homes in Dam B, owner finance, \$28,000, 10% down, 9% interest. (4-2-TC)
TAKEUP NOTES-\$1000 equity on customer ordered 18x80, 1376 sq. ft. home or home with 1 acre. \$28,000. 409/547-3374. (4-4-TC)
FOR SALE-Lovely 3 BR, 2Ba, brick home on 4 acres 1 mile from town. Central HVAC, fireplace, all extra shop, barn, reduced to \$85,000. Call for apprt. 283-7720. (52nck)
REDUCED prices drastically reduced for inventory clearance. 3 and 4 bedroom homes in the following areas: Woodville, Warren, Livingston, (low down payment, 20 days, call collect 713-593-1170. (42-TFN-C)

Profess. Svcs.
AEROBIC CLASSES Monday & Thursday, 7:00-8:00pm at L&L Studio. For more information call 283-7989 day of 283-3865 after 6pm. (54-TFN-C)
SEPTIC TANKS. Cleaned & installed, call day or night, Dan B Sewer Co. 429-3095, registered with St. Dept. of Health. (51-TFN-C)
HENSARLING CONSTRUCTION & Remodeling-Cabinets, mobile home covers & porches; fishing piers, add-ons or new construction. Call 283-7720 (43-TFNK)
ELECTROLUX-All appliances your warranty, \$249 Jimco Sales 327-3196 (42-tn)
FURNITURE Reasonably priced, done with expert care, and attention. Call Dan McKee 283-7790, Woodville, Texas. (30-TFN-C)
ALUMINUM CAR- PORT and Patio Covers. 384-7691. (40-TFN-C)
SATELLITE TV Service. If you need service on your satellite system, call Guy Yates. 283-3478. (36-TFN-C)

Mobile Homes
MOBILE HOME FOR RENT-1 bd, partially furnished, central air, West 283-2937. (4-2-TC)
MOBILE HOME FOR SALE-1981 Hilton, 14 x 80, on 1.7 acres, excellent area. 837-2969. (2-4-TP)
FOR RENT-1 building West Bluff, Commercial. For more information, call 283-7331. (39-TFN-C)
FOR RENT-Appartments, one and two bedrooms, available, 709 and 711 N. Beech. 15-tn.
FOR RENT-Building on South Magnolia; formerly Kaitans Beauty Shop. Call 283-7331. (47-NC-C)
HOUSE FOR RENT-in Spurger, 3Bd, 2Ba, CHVA, New carpet, mini blinds, 1 acre, \$500 month, \$150 security deposit. 283-7569. (51-TFN)

Work Wanted
HOUSE CLEANING SERVICE in the Woodville, Houston, and Warren areas. References available. Call 283-2348. (5-2-TC)
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Pirates Prowl

By Renee Bump
Spurger's superintendent, Mr. Gerald Lancaster, resigned after two and a half years at SHS. His resignation became effective after December 20, and he went on to West Rusk Consolidated I.S.D., January 2.

Warrior Whoop

By Jenny Snow
Five of the Warren football players were among the Academic All-District Players. This great honor went to Casey Harris, Cody Swafford, Rudis Swafford, Dale McNeely, and Chris Flocke.

Bulldog Grows

By Larissa Porter
Well, its back to a new start for students at Colmesneil. A new semester has come, and a close teacher, Walter McAlpin, is left.

Eagles Nest

Students are glad that semester exams are finally over. During all of the hustle and bustle last week, Senior-Tiberia Rigby was awarded Student of the Week at WHS. Congratulations-Tiberia. Thursday, January 25, the Science Department is sponsoring a Blood Drive from 8 a.m. - 6 p.m. Don't be a turnip, give blood.

Sunny Dell News

By A. T. Sturrock
I just read in the paper where the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department estimated that six and 7 tenths million fish were killed by the last freeze we had. That is state wide and not national. They died when the water got so cold that they could not extract oxygen from the water and the fish suffocated. Others died from frostbite tissues killing effects. Coonwise Texas lost 62,000 redfish compared to 90,000 in 1983 and 47,100 killed this past February. The article goes on and breaks down the kind and number of fish the past year. I just wonder if any fish were frozen from our local creeks and ponds. If any were found they would be good to eat as it would be like taking them from the deep freeze. You know over 6 million fish are a lot of fish and they won't miss the amount very much. This is just a filler this week. Not much to talk about but the weather and you can't do nothing about that. They say if you predict the weather in East Texas you are a new comer or a fool.

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Alan Shivers Library Accredited As Member of Texas Library System

The Allan Shivers Library and Museum was recently accredited as a member of the Texas Library System, according to William D. Gooch, Director and Librarian of the Texas State Library.

"We are pleased to award a certificate of system membership in recognition of the efforts this community has made in providing public library services," said Gooch. "It is a symbol of having

achieved a level of excellence."

The Allan Shivers Library and Museum is a member of the Houston Area Library System and serves the citizens of Tyler County. Allan Shivers

Library had to meet strict criteria, according to Director Anne K. Overstreet, such as hours of access, professional staffing requirements; number of library materials; and local per capita support to be

come an accredited member. Public libraries must apply and qualify for system membership annually.

Authorized by the library systems act of 1969, the Texas Library System was developed to improve library service in the state through cooperative efforts. Comprised of ten regions, the statewide sys-

tem provides an opportunity for local libraries to make the best possible use of both their own resources and those available else-

where in the system. These cooperative efforts are made possible through state and federal funds appropriated to the library

development program of the Texas State Library. This year the Texas State Library will distribute about \$8 million to the Ten Library Systems.

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The Gospel Center, Non-Denominational, a new work for the Lord has been started. Everyone

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Black History Is Celebrated By Village This Month

Heritage Village Museum will salute Black History Month in Tyler County with a month-long exhibit featuring photographs, artifacts and other memorabilia of the Arline family, who migrated to the Spurger area in 1870.

Mrs. Mayme R. Brown will be hostess for the opening of the exhibit on Saturday, February 3, from 2 to 4 p.m. Music and refreshments will be included during the afternoon opening.

Since 1979, Tyler County's black community has staged an annual Black History Program in one of the area churches to keep alive the history of their

people, stressing the many contributions they have made to education and other professions.

It was eleven years ago that a group of concerned Woodville High School students, who wanted to observe this month in unison with National Black History Month, asked Mrs. Brown, a home economics teacher at the school, to help them organize a program and be their sponsor. She accepted the challenge, and today still serves in that role, moving the program from year to year to various churches throughout the

county. And while those original students have mostly moved to other areas to seek their fortunes, many return each year to lend their support and act as role models for today's youngsters.

The theme of this year's program, which will take place at 3 p.m. on Sunday, February 11, at the Zion Hill Baptist Church in Colmesneil will be "The Dreamer's Dream Marches On." Among the participants will be Mrs. Billie Coleman, music director, and Jackie Pickett, organist from Pilgrim's Rest Baptist Church, and George Rawls,

organist at the New Shady Grove Church, who will lead a mass choir from the schools and churches throughout the county.

The public is invited to come to the Village to see the exhibit which Mrs. Brown has assembled with the help of her husband's family, descendants of Charlie Turner Arline, who came to Tyler County with his parents and siblings when he was 10 years old. School groups are welcome when accompanied by teachers and other adults. There will be no charge, of course.

Spurger Pioneer

EDITOR'S NOTE: Mrs. Brown taught Home Economics in the Woodville School District from 1949 until 1983, when she retired. She is the wife of Isaac Brown, one of the five remaining grandchildren of Charlie Turner and Alice Booker Arline, who purchased a 71 acre farm near Spurger 102 years ago. Mrs. Brown is currently serving on the Board of Directors of the Tyler County Heritage Society.

Many years have passed since Charlie Turner Arline came to this area of Texas with his parents, Jake (Jacob) and Mary, and his many sisters and brothers.

Over the years, the family had travelled from Maryland, where Jake's father was born, through North Carolina, where Jake was born, South Carolina, Georgia, Alabama, Mississippi and Louisiana, finally reaching the Neches River at Town Bluff in 1870. Here they entered Tyler County and travelled south to the Spurger area, where they made their settlement.

Charlie Turner was born in Georgia in December, 1859, and came with his family seeking new and better oppor-

tunities for work and a comfortable home for wholesome and healthy family living. According to his niece, Mrs. Catherine (Callie) Arline Phillips, who still lives in the Spurger area, the family had been slaves and travelled to Texas with their old master Arline, who offered them a place in which to make the most of their freedom.

Stories as told by Mrs. Phillips and Grampa Turner's nieces, Mrs. Ella Mills Adams of Silsbee and Mrs. Willie Bean Porter of Hillister, tell of a journey that was long and hard.

Travelling with young children created many hardships. Augustus (Guss) and Charlie Turner, being the oldest sons, helped with the younger children as they travelled this great distance.

Young Charlie was about 10 years old, when they reached Texas. He was an asset to the family because he always suggested and found needed tasks to do and saw to it that these tasks were done well, showing his aggressiveness toward achievement. Yet he was a very congenial youngster.

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TYLER COUNTY PIONEERS—Charlie Turner and Alice Booker Arline will be the focus of the month-long exhibit at Heritage Village Museum celebrating Black History Month in Tyler County.

Shivers Library And Museum Earns Accreditation

WOODVILLE—The Allan Shivers Library and Museum has been accredited as a member of the Texas Library System, according to William D. Cooch, Director and Librarian of the Texas State Library.

"We are pleased to award a certificate of system membership to the Shivers Library. The efforts this community has made in providing public library services," said Cooch. "It is a symbol of having achieved a level of excellence."

The Allan Shivers Library and Museum is a member of the Houston Area Library System and serves the citizens of Tyler County.

Allan Shivers Library had to meet strict criteria, according to Director Anne K. Overstreet, such as hours of access, professional staffing requirements, number of library materials and local per

capita support to become an accredited member.

Public libraries must apply and qualify for system membership annually.

Authorized by the Library Systems Act of 1969, The Texas Library System was developed to improve library service in the state through cooperative efforts. Comprised of ten regions, the statewide system provides an opportunity for local libraries to make the best possible use of both their own resources and those available elsewhere in the system. These cooperative efforts are made possible through state and federal funds appropriated to the Library Development Program of The Texas State Library.

This year the Texas State Library will distribute about \$8 million to the library systems.

Look For Jessamine During February

By Carl Nichols
Big Thicket Naturalist

The Carolina Jessamine is one of the more attractive plants blooming in the East Texas Big Thicket during February and early March.

The yellow Jessamine, as it is sometimes called, is a slender evergreen vine often seen growing on roadside fences and climbing tall trees in pine and hardwood thickets. The vine sometimes attains unbelievable lengths in reaching for sunlight in the tops of the taller trees where the bloom is most prolific. Each bloom is funnel shaped, about one and one half inches long, bright yellow and with a delicate, long remembered fragrance.

The genus name of the Carolina Jessamine, GELSEMIUM, refers to

the Italian name for Jessamine, "gelsomino", and the species name, sempervirens, refers to its evergreen habit. Some vernacular names in use are Yellow Jessamine, Jasmine, Carolina Woodvine and Evening Trumpet Flower. This native vine should not be confused with the cultivated Jessamines and jasmines which are of the Olive and Nightshade families.

The dried root of the Carolina Jessamine contains the toxic alkaloid gelsemine, which was once used medicinally in the form of a tincture in the treatment of neuralgia and rheumatism. Improper usage may result in extreme vertigo (dizziness) and even death. This plant is known to be poisonous to livestock, and to bees sipping nectar.

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Tyler County Community Calendar

FEBRUARY 1990

FEBRUARY 2, 1990
WOODVILLE LIONS CLUB ANNUAL FISH FRY, 4-7 p.m. at the Lions Den, Hwy. 190 West. \$5. Silent Auction during evening.

FEBRUARY 3, 1990
HERITAGE VILLAGE MUSEUM. Opening of month long Black History Month Exhibit, featuring memorabilia of Tyler County's Arline Family.

MISS TYLER COUNTY PAGEANT. Kirby Auditorium 7:30 p.m. Sponsored by the American Business Womens Association.

CHURCHES COUNCIL MEETING. Ballroom at the Woodville Inn. For more information contact Troy Holliman at 283-2452.

FEBRUARY 10-11, 1990
SOUTHERN LADY ARTS & CRAFTS SHOW, Beaumont Civic Center.

FEBRUARY 11, 1990
TYLER COUNTY BLACK HISTORY PROGRAM, 3 p.m. Zion Hill Baptist Church, Hwy. 69 N. Colmesneil.

FEBRUARY 16, 1990
SPURGER LIONS CLUB 6th ANNUAL CHILI SUPPER, Spurger School Auditorium. Entertainment, door prizes, cake auction. 5:30-9 p.m. Adults \$5, Children 12 and under \$1.50.

FEBRUARY 24, 1990
WOODVILLE ROTARY CLUB ANNUAL SHRIMP BANQUET. 4-7 p.m. in the Fire Hall. Shrimp plate and all the fixings, \$7.50, Hamburger plate, \$4.50.

FEBRUARY 25, 1990
TYLER COUNTY DAY, 1 p.m. HOUSTON LIVESTOCK SHOW & RODEO.

MARCH 2, 1990
TOAST TO TEXAS. Worldwide gathering of Texans on the 154th anniversary of Texas' Declaration of Independence from Mexico at Washington-on-the-Brazos.

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Sullivan Is Elected President At Society's Annual Meeting

WOODVILLE—The annual meeting of the Tyler County Heritage Society Monday night, Jan. 29, saw the passing of the gavel from Christine Sanders to Fred Sullivan and a new slate of officers coming onboard to take the helm.

The meeting also reviewed the many accomplishments of the Society during 1989, including the success of the Heritage Village Museum and Museum Store.

Total assets for the Society at Heritage Village are now \$213,000 and generate more than \$400,000 in sales and revenues annually, including the sales from all businesses in the Heritage Village complex: the Museum Store, Jewelry by John Killam, the Cornhusk Corner, and the Pickett House.

Marjorie Schultz pointed out that Village sales alone had grown from \$2,544.35 in 1987 to \$41,935.06 in 1988 to \$66,191.08 in 1989. And she observed that the best month for the Village Museum was during October with the Harvest Festival.

The annual meeting convened at the Pickett House for a fried chicken and chicken and dumplings dinner at 6 p.m. and was followed at 7 p.m. by the election of officers and annual reports.

Elected as president was Fred Sullivan. Bob Bender was elected Vice President, Aloha Freeland was elected secretary, and Robbie Barnett was elected treasurer. New directors are Mamey Brown, Mildred White, Donece Gregory, Stephen Pocar, and Malcolm Rafferty. They join continuing directors Janie Ashworth, Rozanne Babin, Dottie

Johnson, Keelin Parker, Iris Weidenfeld, Ewell Wood, Christine Sanders, Joella Knapp, Jack Whitmeyer, and Manie Whitmeyer.

During the annual reports, Dottie Johnson reported that the East Texas Echo reaches at least 10,000 people each month. "The publicity Woodville and Heritage Village have received from the Echo has been tremendous," she said. She observed that numerous newspaper and magazine articles and television programs have been centered on Village themes and activities, largely because of the publicity generated by the Echo. In addition, the Echo's impact is felt in tourism through the distribution of the monthly Woodsman-published section to parts of Beaumont, the State Capitol in Austin, and to every port of entry into the State of Texas.

New construction and renovations were discussed by Jack Whitmeyer, who observed that half of the Village's main street was under repair.

The active Junior Historian program at the Village, along with the ongoing Oral History taping by Iris Weidenfeld and the historical dramas of Aloha Freeland, were much praised during the meeting.

Sanders reported in her overview for the year that the Village had won numerous awards during the year, including a media publication award from the Texas Association of Museums for the East Texas Echo, an award for overall excellence from the Texas Historical Foundation, and the Outstanding Junior Historians New Chapter



NEW HERITAGE SOCIETY OFFICERS—Include, left to right, Secretary Aloha Freeland, President Fred Sullivan, Vice President Bob Bender, and Treasurer Robbie Barnett.

Award from the Texas State Historical Association.

"If we use our museum wisely," she said, "we will have the ability to bind the generations together and involve all the ethnic groups who make up the history of Tyler County in a way that shows us our roots and builds a healthy pride in our community. Under the leadership of our manager, Marjorie Schultz, the Tyler County Heritage Society excels in involving the public to entertain and thereby educate."

Incoming president Fred Sullivan congratulated Sanders on her strong leadership and the role she played in saving Heritage Village from extinction by raising funds to purchase it from Clyde and

Bill Gray in 1987. "I don't think that under the leadership of any other person this could have been done," Sullivan said, "without her pushing, her kicking us in the you-know-what, we would never have gotten where we are today."

His goals for 1990 include removing the concrete slab that was the foundation for the old "mantel" clock; continuing the reconstruction and renovations of the Village street; improving the appearance and increasing the size of the Museum Store; encouraging greater participation in Society activities by members and the public, and promoting the Harvest Festival; and reaching more people with more information about Tyler County heritage.

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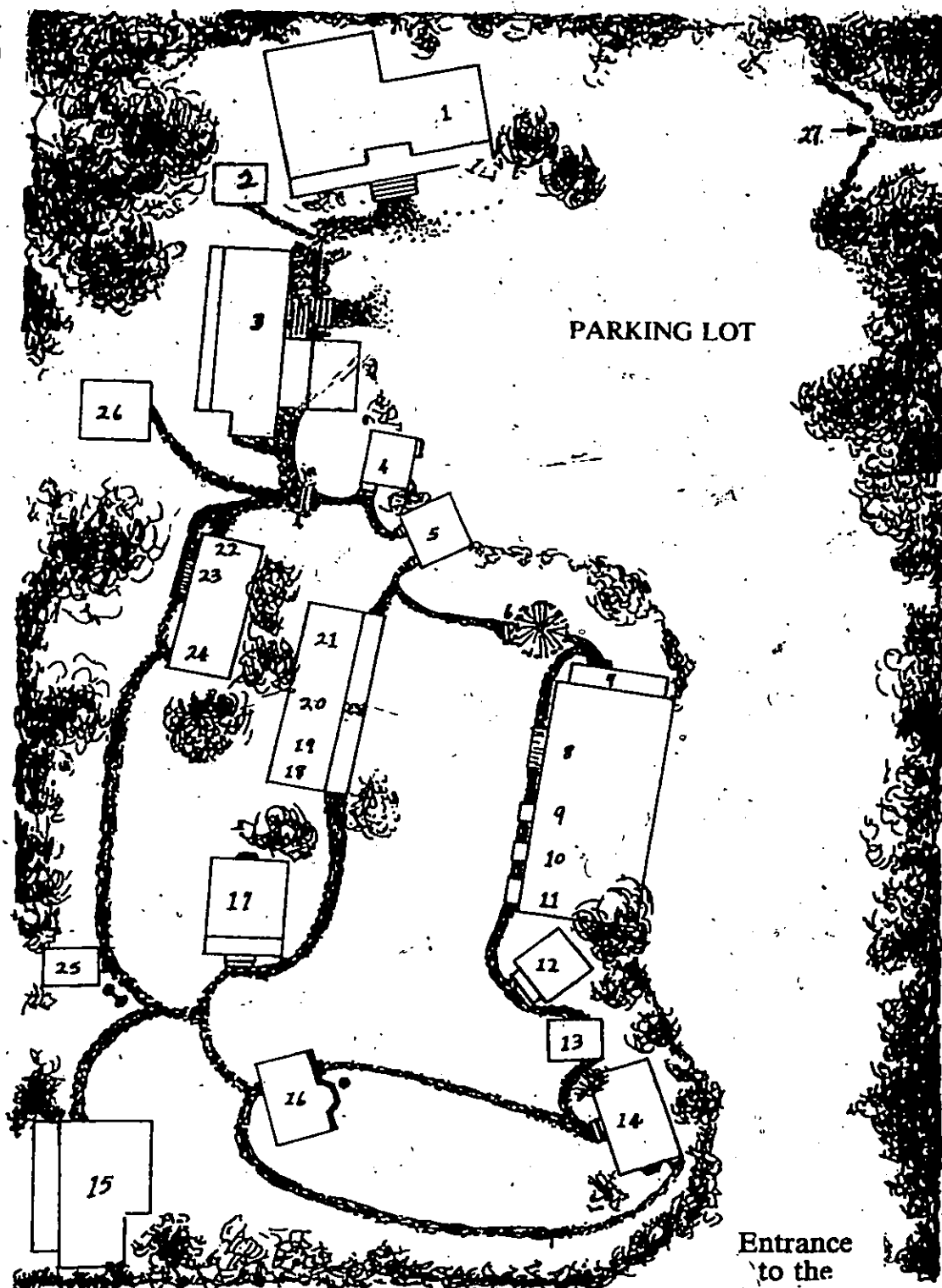
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Heritage Village Museum: A Unique Collection Of Early Tyler County Artifacts

- 1. **PICKETT HOUSE:** Country cook-served Boarding House style. Open daily.
- 2. **CORN HUSK CORNER:** Judy Walls' exquisite corn husk creations, dolls and ornaments, are made, displayed and sold here. Each of her period dolls are carefully researched as to dress and culture to make them true and valuable collectibles.
- 3. **MUSEUM STORE:** Enter the Village proper through this store, which features a unique collection of fine hand made crafts, including dolls, quilts and a variety of wood work items. The Store also carries the best selection of books on Texas history in the area.
- 4. **JEWELRY SHOP:** Custom jewelry designer John Killam demonstrates his artistry for Village visitors.
- 5. **JUSTICE OF THE PEACE:** In the old days, the JP's duties included assaying minerals as well as performing marriage ceremonies and handing out punishment to criminals. Village Judge T. E. Phillips, former Woodville City Magistrate and Border Patrolman, offers interesting evidence of his colorful careers.
- 6. **BAND STAND:** Next to it is Woodville's first piece of fire-fighting equipment, donated by the Woodville Volunteer Fire Department.
- 7. **PAWN SHOP:** Old-time mechanical money banks in the window and other treasures.
- 8. **TEXAS DINNIE BILL FACTORY:** The traditional triangle, which rang across pioneer lands both as an alarm and a chow time "come 'n get it," is made here for sale at Heritage Village and around the world.
- 9. **POST OFFICE:** Willie Reinhardt was the last postmaster of the Pluck Post Office, once located near Corrigan. Of special interest is the Spencerian script on the wall, a common style in the old days.
- 10. **BARBER SHOP:** In this 100 year old Barber Shop, you had your choice of two chairs, which could be laid back and revolved, but not raised and lowered. And you could take a bath in the 1836 copper tub, which once belonged to a Jefferson, Texas, blacksmith.
- 11. **SHERIFF'S OFFICE AND JAIL:** Every town had one.
- 12. **BLACKSMITH SHOP:** In use in Colmesneil in the late 1800s, this shop is now the home of the East Texas Blacksmiths Alliance. Village Blacksmiths fire up the forge most weekends to delight visitors as they make decorative items to sell in the Museum Store.
- 13. **WAGON SHED, CANE GRINDER, SYRUP MILL:** Behind the shed, a cane grinder and syrup mill bring back sweet memories. Horses or mules were used to turn the grinders through which sugar cane was squeezed before the slow process of cooking the cane juice to produce a delectable syrup. In the shed, you'll see a wagon used for freight between Woodville and Beaumont, and a buggy, donated by late Gov. Allan Shivers, a famous Woodville son.
- 14. **TOLAR CABIN:** Built by Robert Tolar for his bride in 1866 and donated by his ancestors, the cabin, where family members prepared meals for all comers into the 1950s, was moved intact from



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- near Hillister. It was awarded a medallion of the Texas Historical Commission.
- 15. **BIG HOUSE:** Treasures galore were once displayed in this building, which housed the original Village entrance and shop. It is now used for storage, but plans are under way to replace it with a temperature controlled facility for delicate textiles and treasured old documents.
- 16. **RAILROAD STATION:** Materials for this depot came from the 1890 station in Hillister. The loop hanging on the wall held the Order Stick, which the station master would hold out to a passing train, so orders, information and outgoing mail could be picked up without the train slowing.
- 17. **Z.C. COLLIER STORE:** Much of the original materials and furnishings are included in the reconstruction of this general store, built in Town Bluff, 1863 by Zacharia Cowart Collier. No visit to the Village should miss this fine collection of interesting 19th century items.
- 18. **COTTON GIN:** This machinery was

- used to re-gin old mattresses, once an important local industry.
- 19. **APOTHECARY:** In an old time drug store, only prescriptions and home remedy materials were sold. The prescription counter is from a drug store in Rockland, which is now nearly a ghost town but was once the thriving terminus of the railroad from Beaumont.
- 20. **PHYSICIANS OFFICE:** This typical doctor's office of the late 19th century is a composite collection of many, including Dr. John Shivers of Woodville and Dr. N. E. Laidacker of China.
- 21. **CHAIR FACTORY:** Dallas Miller operated this chair factory in Burkeville until 1964. Miller, considered to be the best chair maker in this part of the country, was also a genius in fabricating the machinery he needed to make those chairs. To be noted are the lathe on which he turned the legs, the hole puncher for his hides and drying racks for his chair backs.
- 22. **MUSIC SHOP:** Musical history memorabilia from the collection of Bubba Voss of Orange has been increased to include old sheet music donated by Fred Bennett of Woodville. Don't miss the early phonograph display.
- 23. **SEAMSTRESS SHOP:** Recreation of an 1875-85 Shop, which was, in its day, a genteel way for a lady to earn a living. A delightful look into the past world of fashion, this shop has many original items used over 100 years ago, in addition to a variety of dresses and hats, created especially by Martha Stark and Joseph Gerriets after much research into the period.
- 24. **LEATHER SHOP:** Saddles, boots and shoes were made here.
- 25. **LITTLE RED SCHOOLHOUSE:** This typical one-room school house is where all grades were taught by one teacher. Older students were pressed into service to help the younger ones. The plantation bell outside was used to call the students to class.
- 26. **CANTILEVERED LOG BARN:** This 140 year old log barn once belonged to the family of famous East Texan John Henry Kirby at Peach Tree Village near Chester. It was moved log by log to Heritage Village, where it has been rebuilt by Village volunteers.
- 27. **THE BIG WOODS:** This 11.5 acres of woods and hiking trails, adjacent to the original Heritage Village properties, offers all the delights of the Big Thicket.

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This Month At Heritage Village

By Marjorie Schultz

It was the last board meeting of the fiscal year and everyone knew that Manie Whitmeyer was looking forward to turning over her Minutes Book after serving as secretary of the Tyler County Heritage Society for the past two years. We figured she'd go hide in the hills or at least in Colmesneil, but we should have known better.

True to the generous nature of this dear lady and her husband, Jack, who gets more press than she does, Manie knows there is no turning away from all the jobs that need to be done at Heritage Village. And there was one job Jack had been hoping someone would be motivated to do ever since the Society purchased the Village two years ago.

Well, he must have motivated Manie because she's already deep into her new project, giving one day a week to sorting, identifying and labelling the boxes full of records, old newspaper clippings, photographs and more that have accumulated over the nearly three score years since Clyde Gray first started assembling this historic village. It was one of those jobs no one ever seemed to have the time to tackle.

Now, there are some key words in that last paragraph that we hope everyone interested in Tyler County history will catch. They are "giving" and "one day a week." Manie is giving her time, and she is giving it one day a week. This is the kind of commitment we need from all Heritage Society members, a commitment to give of one's self, one's time and

one's talent on a regularly scheduled basis.

But Manie isn't the only one sorting through old things around here. Bill Gray has caught the fancy of our new staffer, Mark Greer, who as an artist is delighted with some of the finds she has uncovered that belonged to her late artist husband, Clyde. One is a maul stick. Bill didn't know what it was, but Mark did. It is a stick an artist uses to support his wrist when doing detail work. As they go through her things, Bill is making many welcome donations to the Village. And we thank her.


Meanwhile, Mark, who carves those handsome walking sticks we have for sale in the Museum Store, is making tags for the Village artifacts, what they are, where they came from and what they are used for. If he doesn't know, he asks Bill and more often than not, she knows the answer. Again, something that has needed to be done for a long long time, just waiting for the right person with the talent and desire to do it.

Month by Month at the Village

Kicking off 1990 with two great month-long exhibits, Spindletop and the Oil Industry in January, Black History in February, inspired us to set down a schedule for the entire year, so we could plan ahead and so could you. Hopefully, one of these months will catch your fancy, and you'll offer your help.

March will be Women in Texas History Month. April, Archeology, and May will be Children's Month.

In June, we want to focus on Entertainment in Early Tyler County, in-



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Feb. 15, 6-7 p.m. Small Business Development Center John Gray Institute "Team Management" Speaker Lynn Godkin

Feb. 16, 2 p.m. St. Paul's School

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Return To The Farm

by Dottie Johnson

Moving to Tyler County is a little like moving back into history, and it's almost impossible not to get caught up in it. When we received title to our little piece of land north of Spurger in June of 1985, we knew almost nothing about the area. A few hours at the Court House told us that our property was part of the 71 acres Turner Arline bought from Mr. and Mrs. A. Freeman in June of 1888. This property in turn was part of the 113 James F. Seale Preemption Survey, which dated back to June of 1855 and was signed by Governor F.M. Pease.

Reading and re-reading Vivian Cruse Jordan's Spurger Area, 1859-1976, gave us a sense of the community into which we moved and the people who populated it, both past and present.

What a delight then to meet the descendants of Turner Arline, people who had been frequent visitors to their grandfather's farm and played as children under the huge pecan trees that now stand guard over our own house.

With this in mind, we'd like to share some of their memories and a few of our own.

The first time George Mae Gill, Turner's granddaughter, visited our farm, she was delighted that our log house was situated on almost the same spot as her grandparent's home. She found the old hand dug well a perfect reference point. Where our house faces west and a bit south, Turner's faced directly south. The well that is at the south end of our front porch was in their front yard, and she remembers that it gave lots of good clear water and never went dry.

We remember it as our only source of water when we planted our first pecan trees six years ago.

★ Spurger Pioneer (From Page 1)

It is not known how much schooling Charlie Turner received, but we believe it was very limited, considering the work load for the men in the family, clearing land and farming crops necessary for family maintenance.

Charlie Turner worked daily on the farm. He always kept in mind that schooling for his children-to-be would be one of his first priorities. He made plans early for their education.

As he grew into manhood, Charlie Turner found time to travel across the Neches River into Kirbyville and Magnolia Springs shopping for needed items. He also found time to meet and make friends with other young men. After several trips across the river he met the beautiful young lady who was to become his wife. She was Alice Booker from Magnolia Springs, whom he affectionately called "Allay." This name shows on the 1900 census. Our records show that 11 or 12 children were born to this union, three preceding them in death.

After Charlie Turner married and started raising a family, he saw the need for owning his own property. He arranged with Mr. A. Freeman and his wife, Sarah, to buy 71 acres out of the James F. Seale Survey for \$50. The deed was witnessed by E.B. Mayo and John Mayo on June 27, 1888.

Charlie Turner Arline came to this country a child who never lost the thought of becoming a landowner in this

The huge pecan tree that greets our visitors, the tree we call our granddaddy tree, was inside the Arline's house yard fence, offering them a shaded area for their wash tubs. Georgie Mae remembers it as a very large tree even in her childhood.

Born and raised just a half mile from the old farm place, Georgie Mae said never a day went by that she and her brothers and sisters didn't go down to Pawpaw and Mawmaw's. We had to be sick not to go, she says. She remembers the house as a large one with a porch across the front and an open area down the middle, a dog trot if you will. At the back was an uncovered walkway leading to the separate kitchen and dining areas. This walkway was one of the children's favorite spots under the protective branches of the very pecan tree that now stands just outside our chimney.

Turner's grandson, Isaac Brown, who was raised in Houston, spent many a summer at his grandparent's farm until he got a paper route at the age of 12. After that, he says, visits were less frequent. But Isaac never lost his love for Tyler County. After army service and marriage, he brought his own children up to the old home place, by now owned by his aunt, Pollie Arline Gill. On his retirement from the Post Office in 1977, Isaac Brown moved back to Spurger less than a mile from his grandfather's farm. In 1979, he married Mayme R. Canada, teacher of Home Economics in the Woodville Schools and a long time friend of the Arline families.

Isaac, too, remembers the location of the house in respect to that old well. He remembers as a small child being afraid to go out to the well after dark, as it was quite a way from the house. Conversely, he remembers crossing the

branch with his older brother, Lavern (they weren't supposed to because of the rattle snakes) to get to the watermelons their grandfather grew in the field beyond along with sweet potatoes.

And we remember that our watermelons have done pretty well, but our sweet potatoes, planted in a different area, were full of weevils. Isaac remembers his grandfather's peach orchard and the wild blackberries and his grandmother's wonderful cobbles.

Georgie Mae remembers her grandfather's plum trees, the same ones that Papa Charlie Gill, her aunt Pollie's husband, cut down to make more room for farming. They all loved Papa Charlie but they were really angry with him that day.

And everyone remembers the old walnut tree, the same one we thought would surely die. It keeps blossoming out, each year a little more than the last, testimony to its illustrious past. Bill Brown, whose father ran the turpentine still in Spurger, where some of the Arline men worked from time to time, remembers going to the Arline farm as a small boy of eight or so. Turner Arline had killed a steer that had been running with his daddy's cattle. Everything was open range then. They tied the steer up in that old walnut tree before dressing it out and cooking it. Then both families sat down in the Arline kitchen for a feast long remembered.

After Charlie Turner Arline, who had been born into slavery, and his wife, Alice Booker Arline, passed away in 1933, the land was divided up among the children with the 21.78 acres that comprise the home place going to their daughter, Pollie Arline Gill, a teacher in

the Dies Community. Pollie and her husband, Charlie, whom she married at Dies in 1937, returned home, tore down the old house and used the timbers to build a new one. After getting her master's degree at Prairie View, she joined the Beaumont School System, commuting back and forth each week, while husband Charlie ran the farm.

It was some time during the 60's, family members believe, that Pollie and Charlie had the house moved up on the highway. After Charlie died in 1972, Pollie moved the house further down the highway and built a new brick home on the property from which it has last been moved. It was there that Pollie lived until she passed away ten years later.

During the nearly 20 years before we purchased the farm, the land lay idle except for the brambles and weeds and vines that tried their best to choke out everything that was left of Turner and Charlie's plantings. Georgie Mae believes that Charlie and her father, C.W. Philips, who worked for Mayo's Pecan Orchard on FM 1013, planted the additional pecan trees that framed the area that was once the house yard and garden and now stand in our back yard.

But, besides the pecan trees, which give reassurance to the land's ability to sustain the pecan orchard we have planted, a huge old gnarled pear tree that gives us wonderful cooking pears in late October, the branch that now is a pond (except in August) and the old well, there is little to testify to the fact that this was once the home of Charlie Turner and Alice Booker Arline.

But it was, and we know it, because his grandchildren have shared their memories with us. And we are grateful.

the Woodville faculty from 1970 to 1974, when she retired. She was then 73 years old.

Through the years, Charlie Turner's family has been successful in many fields of education and specialization. Dr. A. J. Rogers, Jr., a grandson of daughter Minnie, is a heart specialist in California. Another of Minnie's grandchildren is Dr. Paulette Rogers, Ph.D. Dr. Jacqueline E. Brown, granddaughter of daughter Johnnie, is a gynecologist in Houston, while another of her granddaughters is a teacher and school administrator. Among daughter Josie's grandchildren are Freddie Lois Smith, a teacher, and Marguerete Sittemes Kelly, a registered nurse. Like their great and great great grandfathers, these young people are striving for success in everything they do and can do for the health and upbringing of humanity.

Still living are five of Charlie Turner and Alice Booker Arline's grandchildren. They are Mr. Isaac C. Brown and Mrs. Georgie Mae Gill of Spurger, Mr. Lavern Brown of Houston, Mr. Willie Hill of Chicago, Illinois, and Mrs. Angel J. Rogers of Los Angeles, California.

There are many other family members still living, too numerous to list here. Had all of them remained in the Spurger area, the population would have skyrocketed.

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Growing Pot In City Hall

by T.E. Phillips

EDITOR'S NOTE: T.E. Phillips has had a series of interesting and colorful careers during his lifetime: In the Border Patrol, as a farmer, in real estate, as Municipal Judge of Woodville, and currently as author and official Judge of Heritage Village Museum. Here he tells of two different incidents, many years apart, that occurred during two of these times.

I do not like marijuana or anything connected to it, but during my various careers, I found one marijuana plant that I did like and many that I did not. For many years I was Municipal Judge of Woodville and being Judge let me keep in contact with the regular officers. After working as an officer for 24 years, I liked being around officers.

Now, this was a long time ago. I believe it was during the time that Joe Willmon, Gary Hennigan, B.J. Vardeman and John Grammer were all working in or around Woodville. Someone heard of some marijuana plants being grown on South Magnolia. A man, who was retired, lived there, and he kept a beautiful garden. When the man's grandson and his wife came to live with him, they helped work the garden.

Now, all the officers thought some of the plants in that garden were marijuana, but no one could be sure, so they had to get someone in from Beaumont to identify them. Sure enough, they were marijuana.

Well, I figured that all officers should know what a marijuana plant looked like, so I got a seed and planted it in a flower pot and kept it in my office. Well, that seed came up and really started growing. All the officers watched the plant as it grew to about three feet high. My court clerk helped me care for it, and it was really very pretty as it started having small white blooms.

Every year the Woodville Garden Club has a flower show, usually at the Methodist Church, and it is really something to see. Well, one day, looking at my plant, I had a wild idea about entering it in the flower show. I found out that I could, and I took the plant to the show and won a blue ribbon. Was I ever proud of that plant. But it finally grew too big for me to keep, so I asked the Chief, John Grammer, to destroy it for me. But, I still have that blue ribbon.

Back To The Border Patrol

My next marijuana story, which happened many years earlier during my Border Patrol days, did not win a blue ribbon.

During prohibition, when smuggling was a way of life, I was stationed in Donna. The Military Highway runs about six or seven miles south of Donna and at some points the Rio Grande is about five or six miles south of that. The pumping station Casa Colorado was almost due south of Donna, then for about three miles there was nothing until you came to three houses built close together.

I think three brothers lived in those houses, which were about a half mile from the river and the river crossing and about four miles south of the Military Highway. All three men were big time smugglers.

All land south of the Military Highway was fenced, and although the brothers had a road to their houses and a gate at the highway, no one came to their houses for liquor. Instead the men would have liquor brought to a point on the highway about a mile west of the houses. There a car or truck could be driven north into the woods where it wouldn't be seen. The liquor could then be loaded without driving out on the road.

They had a pretty good deal worked out. One of the men would meet the car or truck and collect the money, one would search out the woods for officers, and the other would lead the men with the liquor to where the vehicle was parked.

Well, something happened to get one of these men mad at the other two, because he came and told me that a big truck load of liquor would be delivered at the regular place. We knew the truck driver and didn't like him, so we decided that we would really try to catch him with a load. My partner and I drove down close to Casa Colorado and hid our car, then walked the three miles to a point where we could hear any men or horses that came through the woods. We were probably a half mile from the houses. We stayed there, hidden, from about 9 a.m. until about 5 p.m. with no food or water, but we did want that truck, and we knew we were close enough to hear the truck if it started up.

I heard afterwards that the man who told me about the deal had gotten over his mad spell and told his brothers that some officers would be there, so they did not try to smuggle that day. My partner and I finally got tired and

decided that there would be no deal, so we started home. We figured something had gone wrong, and the truck driver would have someone laying for us, so we didn't walk close to the highway. It was just too dangerous. Rather, we walked long the river. We were tired and discouraged and did not stay alert as we usually did.

Suddenly there was a rifle shot just across a little clearing from us, about a hundred yards from the river. I was in the lead on the right side as usual, and when I looked up there was a man with a rifle running toward the river. There were two more men holding a rope and two burros. These two men didn't have a gun as far as I could see. In fact, I did not have a chance to see anything, as the two men turned and started running toward the river too.

We didn't run, but we did ease down to see what was going on, and we saw the man who shot at us run out on a sand bar and jump into the river and start swimming. A boat was coming back for him.

When the other two men got to the river, they jumped in too. I don't think either of them could swim, but the boat made no effort to pick them up.

My partner and I returned to where the burros were still standing, and we found each of them loaded with four bales of marijuana. Now, I had better tell you that a bale of marijuana looks

like a bale of cotton but much smaller. Packed in sacking and square in shape, a bale probably weighs about fifty pounds. Each burro had a homemade pack saddle, and the bales of marijuana were tied to the saddles. Burros were used because they were so much smaller than a mule or horse.

So we had two burros, eight bales of marijuana and two pack saddles. We were about three miles from our car, knowing that a bunch of armed Mexicans would be coming across the river for us as soon as they could get organized.

Thinking that some armed men were looking for us from where the truck was supposed to be parked and that at least three armed men, the three brothers, and maybe more, would be coming to investigate the shooting, what would you have done?

We split the bales and emptied the marijuana in a pile, putting some sacking under each corner. The eight bales made a large pile. We placed the pack saddles on top of the marijuana and set fire to each corner of the stack, staying only long enough to make sure that it would burn good. Then we headed back to Donna as fast as we could.

I didn't get a blue ribbon, but Bobbie sure had some good coffee waiting for me, when I got home.

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