

Deaths



Mrs. Glenn

Olene Paxton Glenn of North Wales, Pa., formerly of Lampasas, died March 10, 2010, of complications from a surgical procedure. No service is planned, but family members request that donations be made to the charity of one's choice in Mrs. Glenn's name. Mrs. Glenn was a member of First Presbyterian Church in Lampasas. She worked as a secretary at the high school for 18 years before retiring and moving back to Nashua, Mont. Survivors include a son, Kevin Paxton and wife, Becky, of Lansdale, Pa.; a daughter, Jimisu Stuckey of San Antonio; two grandsons, Cody Paxton of Lansdale, and Bryan Stuckey Jr. and wife, Laurel, of San Antonio; two granddaughters, Sydney and Nealy Stuckey of College Station; and a great-grandson, Charles, of San Antonio. She was preceded in death by husbands, D.W. Paxton and Eugene Glenn, and by a grandson, Bret Wayne Stuckey.

Cattle Auction

The report from the March 10 sale at Lampasas Cattle Auction is as follows.

**Cattle and calves:** Estimated receipts 629 compared to 909 last week and 463 a year ago.

Compared to last week, feeder steers and heifers under 500 lb., \$4-\$8 higher, over 500 lb., steady to firm, instances \$2-\$3 higher. Slaughter cows steady to firm. Slaughter \$2 lower.

Bulk supply medium and large 1-2 300-700 lb. feeder steers and heifers. Slaughter cows made up 14 percent of the offering, slaughter bulls 1 percent and feeders 85 percent.

**Feeder steers:** medium and large 1: 300-400 lb., \$124-\$128; 400-500 lb., \$119-\$126; 500-600 lb., \$109-\$118, few \$120-\$121; 600-700 lb., \$104.50-\$114; 700-800 lb., \$96-\$105.

Medium and large 2: 300-400 lb., \$116-\$126; 400-500 lb., \$112-\$120; 500-600 lb., \$100-\$107, few \$112; 600-700 lb., \$94-\$102.

Medium and large 3: 300-400 lb., \$85-\$90; 400-500 lb., \$83-\$90; 600-700 lb., \$85-\$89; 700-800 lb., \$83-\$88.

Heifers: medium and large 1: 300-400 lb., \$115; 400-500 lb., \$108-\$115; 500-600 lb., \$101-\$106.50; 600-700 lb., \$98-\$103.

Medium and large 2: 300-400 lb., \$108-\$110; 400-500 lb., \$96-\$103.50; 500-600 lb., \$93-\$100; 600-700 lb., \$90-\$92.

Medium and large 3: 400-500 lb., \$85-\$92; 500-600 lb., \$85-\$89.

**Slaughter cows:** boners, 80-85 percent lean, 1,200-1,600 lb., average dressing, \$51-\$56, high dressing, \$58.50; boners, 80-85 percent lean, 1,000-1,200 lb., average dressing, \$42; lean, 85-90 percent lean, 1,000-1,200 lb., average dressing, \$46.50-\$50.50, low dressing, \$30; lean, 85-90 percent lean, 800-1,000 lb., average dressing, \$43.50-\$47; lean, 85-90 percent lean, under 800 lb., low dressing, \$25-\$35.

**Slaughter bulls:** yield grade 1-2, 1,165-1,455 lb., \$53-\$59; high dressing, 1,410-1,600 lb., \$64-\$69.

**Replacement cows:** medium and large 1-2: young to middle aged 960-1,305 lb. cows, 4-8 months bred, \$565-\$800 per hd.

**Cow/calf pairs:** medium and large 1-2 young to middle aged 1,000-1,195 lb. cows w/100-250 lb. calves, \$625-\$1,010 per pair; aged 915-1,255 lb. cows with 100-200 lb. calves, \$530-\$900 per pair.

Repairs to flood control dams set

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 planning, the maps will show in detail what areas would flood if high water breached any of the nine WCID No. 1 dams. The goal of WCID No. 1 actions, McLean said, is to keep the dams — many of which are about 50 years old — in good condition to prevent flooding. By controlling the flow of water into the creek, the structures also help maintain steady levels of water in Sulphur Creek, he said.

“For 50 years, they have been doing the work they were designed to do,” McLean said.

Dollar General work continues

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 council that anyone who wants to purchase a stone to honor a veteran on the wall of honor at the memorial should contact Kempner City Hall. Isenhour said a wreath-laying ceremony at the Veterans Memorial is scheduled on Memorial Day. In final business, it was noted that filings for city elections have closed. Two council seats and the mayor's office are up for election. Incumbent mayor Isenhour, Place 1 Councilman Paul Cook and Place 5 Councilwoman Melba Vandever filed for re-election with no challengers. Therefore, the council will consider canceling the election. If no election is held, the city will save about \$3,500, Isenhour said.



COURTESY PHOTO

Rodeo winner

Lampasas High School FFA member Blayne Bierschwale successfully caught a calf during the Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo calf scramble. Also shown are calf donors Michael Wollam and Chris Taylor. Bierschwale must keep records over the next year while he raises the calf, and then he is required to bring it back to exhibit in the 2011 Houston show.

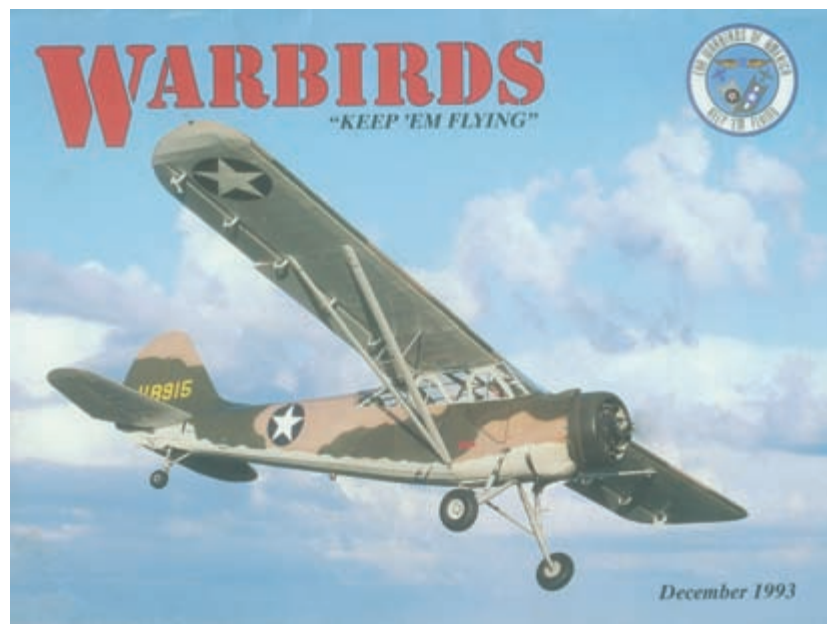


PHOTO BY CARL SCHUPPEL, COURTESY OF EAA WARBIRDS OF AMERICA  
 Dave Smith of Lometa flies in a Stinson-Vultee L-1, a restored World War II-era airplane that received the “Most Rare Warbird” designation at the 1993 Experimental Aircraft Association Fly-In Convention (now known as EAA AirVenture Oshkosh) in Oshkosh, Wis.

Pilot preserves legacies of WWII-era airplanes

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 duo had criss-crossed the United States for an appearance at the University of the South in Seawane, Tenn. “I think we got there at 5:30, and he had about 30 minutes of sleep before he spoke,” Smith said. Along with the many memories he made behind the controls of his Navajo and his L-1, Smith also delighted in flying his North American T-6. For years, he flew the T-6 in Confederate Air Force events, providing onlookers with glimpses of the World War II-era Army training plane's capabilities. From civilians to family members — two of Smith's daughters received private pilot licenses — to high-ranking military officials, Smith's passengers received more than just transportation. They enjoyed opportunities to fly in pieces of living history. “It gave me a lot of satisfaction in exposing these highly rated pilots to planes they had never seen before, had never experienced before,” Smith said of military officers he flew when volunteering for the Confederate Air Force. “I can't tell you how many people I took up for their first flight in a light-wheel plane.” Retired and at home in Lometa since 1992, Smith has sold the last of his airplanes. Now he rents aircraft when he wants to fly. “That's real hard to do when you've owned your own plane and gone 250 miles per hour and then you go to a little single-engine plane putting along at 110 miles per hour,” he said. Fortunately for Smith, he does not always measure the joy of a flight in terms of miles traveled or the top speed attained. Throughout his many decades as a pilot, he learned a simple formula for transporting his passengers back in time and helping them love historic aircraft. “You teach people the joy of flying,” Smith said.

PEC board puts member bill of rights up for vote

Pedernales Electric's Board of Directors unanimously voted to place a member bill of rights on the 2010 ballot, giving PEC's 196,000 members the power to ratify the document at the cooperative's June 19 annual meeting in Johnson City. If ratified, the bill of rights would establish core rights, such as election safeguards, that could be changed only by member vote. If a majority of members vote for the bill of rights, it will become part of PEC's articles of incorporation. The board voted to place several other proposed amendments to the articles of incorporation on this year's PEC ballot, and these proposals would change how board vacancies are filled and what constitutes a quorum of members. Board members also considered proposed revisions to the cooperative's bylaws, however the revisions did not garner the necessary two-thirds support. In November 2009, the board passed a resolution creating a policy that allows members to have access to a complete PEC membership list for a limited number of reasons, including campaigning for the board. The board has amended that policy to allow any member to remove his or her information from the list available to other members. Directors also heard a report from System Engineering Manager Robert Peterson about recent developments in the field, and he praised PEC employees for their swift response to an outage on Jan. 28. The outage occurred at the Henley substation west of Dripping Springs, and PEC restored power to all affected members in 70 minutes. District 1 Director and Board Vice President Cristi Clement -- who chairs the Financial Strategies, Contracts, and Budget Committee -- spoke about the progress PEC is making in submitting a 2010 budget for the board's approval. The regular monthly meeting in June will be one week early on June 14, and after the June 19 annual meeting, the board will hold an organizational meeting on June 21 to formally seat the newly elected directors.

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