

DAGGETT COUNTY NEWS

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COUNTY AND TOWN NEWS

Sale of Dutch John Land & Storage Buildings

Daggett County has put up for bid: 5 acres of land at the East end of the old landfill and the existing storage buildings located in Dutch John.

The successful bidder will be required to provide storage units at the new site and remove the storage garages from around Dutch John. The storage garage removal will need to be done in a systematic way so that those currently renting storage garages will have the opportunity to move their storage items into another storage facility.

The auction will be held at 1:00 pm on Friday, May 21, 2004 and written bids must be submitted by 5:00 pm on Wednesday, May 19, 2004. Information packets are now available by contacting the County at (435) 784-3154 or by visiting <http://www.daggettcounty.org/sale.htm> after April 6th.

County Positions

Daggett County is accepting application for two positions for part time, Summer Road Crew.

Daggett County is also accepting applications for a part-time, summer lawn mowing/maintenance position in Dutch John.

Applications are available at the County Courthouse and are due by 5:00 p.m. on April 9th. Full notice can be found at www.daggettcounty.org/jobs.htm.

Town Position

The Town of Manila is accepting applications for a Public Works employee. Applications may be obtained from the Town Office Monday-Friday 9:00 to 5:00 pm. Applications are due no later than 5:00 pm on April 24th, 2004. Call (435) 784-3143 for more information.

Landfill Summer Hours

The Manila Landfill will be on summer hours starting Saturday, April 3rd. The site will be open for your convenience Mondays 9-12 noon and each Saturday from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Manila Senior Center

Quilting every Monday at 10 a.m. is for anyone interested. Lunches and Dinners continue as before, while the games are back on Tuesdays at 1 p.m. April 19th is trip a to Vernal.

UBAOG BRANCH OFFICE GRAND OPENING

Join us for the Open House of the Manila Branch Office of the Uintah Basin Association of Governments' (UBAOG) on Wednesday April 14th, 2004. The Office is in the old Road Shed next to the County Courthouse and the Open House hours will be 10 am to 1:00 pm. Come in and see what services are available besides the Food Pantry.

Rena Pallesen is on hand to answer your questions and help you apply for a variety of UBAOG programs. She will be out of the office April 2nd, and 5th-8th.

You can always leave a message at 784-3993 and she will get back with you as soon as possible. UBAOG programs are for all ages, including Seniors. There is something for everyone even though many programs have income qualification guidelines.

One of Rena's responsibilities is to coordinate Volunteers for the many Town and County projects planned for the future. If you are interested in getting volunteers for your project or in helping out, please stop by or give her a call.



The Food Pantry hands out one box of food to those who qualify each month. This month's commodity distribution will take place on Friday, April 16th from 1:00 to 5:00 pm. If needed, recipients may also receive emergency food two (2) times a year. The Food Pantry is also available to help those in need who may be passing through our area.

Donations of cash, and commercially canned and packaged goods to our local Food Pantry are appreciated and will be matched by UBAOG.

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DAGGETT COUNTY JUSTICE COURT

Manila Precinct - New Justice Court Clerk hired!

We are spotlighting our new clerk, Karen Jenkins. She and her husband Ken have been living in the county permanently for about a year. Karen retired from Hill Air Force Base after 30 years of service there. They have 4 daughters and 12 grandchildren. Two daughters are twins and six grandchildren are twins. One daughter lives in Idaho and the rest live on the Wasatch Front.



Karen misses shopping at the malls, but visits her family often on weekends. She has a variety of interests including: horseback riding, going on long walks with her dog, enjoying the great outdoors and racing chariots (she and her husband are part owner of a team). She also enjoys counted cross stitch, which takes a lot of patience. Karen and Ken also belong to Daggett County Search and Rescue.

Karen is very soft spoken and pleasant to be around, and is trying hard to remember all the intricacies of being a clerk of the court. She will be attending three days of training in Salt Lake City during the first part of April, as she wants to be ready for the busy summer season.

Welcome Karen, and may your experience as Justice Court Clerk be enjoyable!

Judge Claire Reed

Dutch John Precinct - Nocturnal Watchable Wildlife

A question which often arises is, "Is it legal to spotlight? I'd love to look at the animals that come out in the night, and show my children, but I don't know what the rules are."

Here is a quick course in spotlight do's and don't's.

First of all, what is spotlighting? Under Wildlife Resources code 23-12-2 (definitions) (41) "spotlighting" means throwing or casting the rays of any spotlight, headlight or other artificial light on any highway or in any field, woodland, or forest while having in possession a weapon by which protected wildlife may be killed.

First we'll address the hunting aspect of this statute.

There is an entire section 23-13-17 regarding the spotlighting of coyote, red fox, striped skunk or raccoon-County Ordinances and Permits. In section (1) it states that spotlighting may be used to hunt coyote, red fox, striped skunk or raccoon where allowed by a *county ordinance* enacted pursuant to this section. The spotlight *cannot* be a motor vehicle headlight or a light attached to a motor vehicle-it must be carried by the hunter.

The initial purpose of this ordinance was designed several years ago to reduce the numbers of predators that prey on game bird nests (pheasants in particular). The statute is rather long, and should be read by anyone who intends to hunt in this manner. It has very specific rules and it is noteworthy that section (5) (a) states: "A county may restrict the number of hunters engaging in spotlighting by requiring a permit to spotlight and issuing a limited number of permits."

(b) (I) A fee may be charged for a spotlighting permit; and

(6) A county may require hunters to notify the county sheriff of the time and place they will be engaged in spotlighting.

There are some exceptions listed under section seven which need careful perusal, and may require permission from the Wildlife Resources Agency. One needs to read the entire statute, which is too lengthy for the purposes of this article.

But, what if someone just wants to *look* at wildlife?

The "having a weapon in possession by which protected wildlife can be killed" is the warning phrase that should immediately catch one's attention. This means no guns or archery equipment, and should set off warning bells for those individuals with concealed weapon permits not to have their firearm in possession if they wish to indulge in this activity.

According to Officer Dan Barnhurst with Wildlife Resources in Vernal, Utah, anyone may stop and watch nocturnal wildlife from their vehicle with a spotlight *provided they do not have a weapon in the car.*

Since many of the animals that live at Flaming Gorge become brisk and busy in the evening, this can be a perfect night's activity to introduce your children to the joys of "Watchable Wildlife." With a little luck you may see not only deer and elk, but moose, ringtail cats, striped skunks, mink (along the Green River), jackrabbits and owls.

Have a wonderful spring!

Judge Anne Schneidervin

ADULT VOLLEYBALL

Adult Volleyball continues in the gym at the Old High School from 6:30 to 9:00 pm on

Friday nights. Bring a team or group with you or join in when you arrive. For more information contact Lynette at 784-3458, Deb at 874-6194 or Fay at 784-3176.



Flaming Gorge Area Chamber of Commerce by Deloy Adams

Spring is here and it appears that March is setting the pace for what appears is going to be an absolutely wonderful season, with recreation and tourism returning to pre-9-11 numbers.

In our latest meeting held March 22 at Flaming Gorge Café in Manila, we reviewed several of the proposals for the new Flaming Gorge Country website. Mark Wilson is working with those submitting proposals so we can compare apples to apples, and get the website we are looking for. But from the proposals received to date, the end product will be very impressive and a major asset to our area. The new brochure is in the planning stages, with printing and distribution in November of 2004, for the 2005 season.

Deborah Wilkins, the acting Ranger for the Flaming Gorge Ranger District, attended our meeting and extended the Forest Services' support to the Chamber. Also, new members Maureen Hanlon and Gilbert Birdsall, plus Jerilyn and Bryan Smith were in attendance. Maureen Hanlon is spearheading a drive to create interest in bringing a Credit Union or other banking operation to Daggett County.

At the Dutch John Advisory meeting held March 30th, the 4th

of July fireworks was the "HOT" discussion for the evening and preliminary plans are in place to hold the event on Saturday, July 3rd, possibly shooting the fireworks from the old location just East of the Dam, with the possibility of a combination of shells shot from both the water and land. Bob Linville from Cedar Springs Marina will be directing the Parade of Lights just prior to the fireworks, and the Advisory Committee is planning other activities in Dutch John. It promises to be another spectacular and memorable 4th of July in Flaming Gorge Country.

Other Activities to watch for:

- The Wildlife and River Festival June 11, 12, & 13
- Daggett Daze on Labor Day,
- Labor Day Fireworks and Parade of Lights at Lucerne

Remember, we are YOUR Chamber of Commerce, please join and become involved !

Recreation Tip: Fishing is excellent right now on the Green with some excellent midge hatches coming off and some Blue Wing activity providing for some excellent Dry Fly Fishing.

THE DAGGETT COUNTY JAIL

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ADVERTISING SPACE AVAILABLE

Business ads are a way for local businesses to inform local residents and land owners about their businesses. The first ad is available at no cost, while future ads will cost \$15 or \$25 dollars (see the ad below and on page 2 for sizes)

Classified ads are now available for businesses and individuals. Cost will be \$5 for 40 words or less including the heading or \$10 for ads over 40 words or three lines. In April we will be sending this newsletter to all County property owners. For more information and a registration form contact Brian Raymond at 784-3218.

All requests for advertising must be received and paid for by Monday, April 26th.



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TriCounty Health has a Dentist available to serve our area as needed. Schedule an appointment by calling Dr. Giauque (Juke) at 1 (800) 400-1456. The TriCounty Health Nurse will be in the Clinic again on Wednesday April 7th from 10-11:30am & 1-3pm.

Mosquitoes and West Nile Virus: The Plague of 2004?

by **Boyd Kitchen, USU Extension**

The insects most likely to plague Daggett and Uintah Counties this year probably won't be cutworms, moths, grasshoppers, or crickets - they will probably be mosquitoes. And the pain inflicted won't be limited to their bite but will also include the symptoms of the serious disease they transmit - West Nile Virus.



The West Nile Virus (WNV) invasion is moving across the United States. In this country, the most serious outbreak of WNV has followed close behind the first reported cases. For example, Colorado was the state hardest hit last year. WNV arrived in Utah last August. Uintah County was the hot spot in Utah for the disease with the only human case and the most horse cases. Therefore we anticipate a serious outbreak this summer.

Utah is expecting to have up to 5,000 human cases of WNV. As many as 1,500 cases could result in encephalitis, meningitis, seizure, coma, and paralysis. Between 30 and 60 cases will result in death. WNV is most serious in people over age 55. For that age group it is NOT a mild, flu like illness but a very serious disease. Horses are also at risk. One in three horses infected with WNV will die or have to be put down. We need to protect ourselves, our families, and our animals.

Two important actions everyone should take to guard against WNV are to protect against mosquito bites and to help control mosquito populations. The mosquitoes which transmit WNV bite from dusk to dawn, so avoiding outdoor areas with mosquitoes during that time is advisable. When you are outdoors, wear protective clothing and insect repellent containing DEET. Make sure your window screens are in good repair to keep mosquitoes out of the home.

Mosquitoes need water in which to lay eggs and develop but they don't need very much. Any source of stagnant water can breed the WNV vectors. For this reason, it's important to eliminate all sources of standing water. Old tires, buckets, cans, puddles, etc. are all potential breeding grounds. In addition, flood-irrigated fields where water stands for four days or more will be a source for WNV mosquitoes. Do everything you can to make sure such sources are dried up within four days. For ponds or other locations that can't be dried up, consider applying methoprene granules or a BT preparation labeled for mosquito control. Remember to always follow the label.

Horse owners should make sure their horses are vaccinated.

It takes two doses the first year to establish immunity. There are two products available through veterinarians. You should consult with your vet about vaccinating young animals or pregnant mares. Remember if your horse had the required two doses of vaccine last year, it should have a booster this year.

The good news is that last year's prevalent pests are predicted to be much less of a threat in 2004. The army cutworm invasion seldom occurs two years in a row. The grasshoppers are predicted to be fewer in number this year, especially if weather during the hatch (late May to early June) is cool and wet. Mormon Crickets are not expected to reach excessive numbers although they are likely to be seen on Blue Mountain and Diamond Mountain. The alfalfa weevil problem should be reduced this year with improved soil moisture.

DAGGETT COUNTY RECEIVES OVER \$3.1 MILLION IN GRANTS

Over the past year Daggett county has received or will receive over \$3.1 million in grants. This is the result of over 25 different grant applications and many hours of work by County employees. Many projects in the County could not be completed without this assistance. Some of the areas affected include:

\$336,500	Sheriff's Office—Homeland Security
\$90,000	Emergency Management
\$2,301,500	Infrastructure: Roads, Airports, etc.
\$160,000	EMS— Ambulance Services
\$5,000	Library
\$200,000	Self Help Housing
<u>\$8,000</u>	Economic Development
\$3,101,000	Approximate Total

COMMUNITY CLEAN-UP/FIX-UP

The week of May 17th through May 22nd, 2004 will be the 11th Annual Community Clean-Up/Fix-Up Week. The Town of Manila and Daggett County encourage you to join in the effort and help beautify our area. Free Dumping at the Landfill (Monday, Friday and Saturday) plus Free large item pick-ups are other opportunities during this time. Large Trach bags will be available at the County Courthouse, Town of Manila Office and from Bill Rodgers in Dutch John. Help out and volunteer to help with Special Group projects on Saturday, May 22nd.

LEPC Tip of the Month

LEPC TIP OF THE MONTH – BE INFORMED- A chemical threat can happen anywhere!!! Do you know how many toxic chemicals are stored in your home and garage? Join us for our meetings on the third Thursday of each month to learn more.

1. A chemical attack is the deliberate release of a toxic gas, liquid or solid that can poison people and the environment.
2. Watch for signs such as many people suffering from watery eyes, twitching, choking, having trouble breathing or losing coordination.
3. Many sick or dead birds, fish or small animals are also cause for suspicion.
4. If you see signs of a chemical attack, quickly try to define the impacted area or where the chemical is coming from, if possible.
5. Take immediate action to get away from any sign of a chemical attack.
6. If the chemical is inside a building where you are, try to get out of the building without passing through the contaminated area, if possible.
7. Otherwise, it may be better to move as far away from where you suspect the chemical release is and "shelter-in-place."
8. If you are outside when you see signs of a chemical attack, you must quickly decide the fastest way to get away from the chemical threat.
9. Consider if you can get out of the area or if it would be better to go inside a building and follow your plan to "shelter-in-place."
10. If your eyes are watering, your skin is stinging, you are having trouble breathing or you simply think you may have been exposed to a chemical, immediately strip and wash. Look for a hose, fountain, or any source of water.
11. Wash with soap and water, if possible, but do not scrub the chemical into your skin.
12. Seek emergency medical attention.

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MUTUAL SELF HELP HOUSING

What is it and Why should I do it

WHAT IS SELF HELP HOUSING? Mutual Self Help Housing is a program designed to help a group of families build affordable housing for themselves and each other. No construction knowledge is necessary. There is a Construction Manager on the site during scheduled hours to instruct families on construction techniques and methods.



WHO CAN DO IT? Anyone can participate if their income falls within the income guidelines. Singles, Newlyweds, Families, residents of the County, or who wish to reside in Daggett County and who has a desire to work hard and own a home of their own. Income Limit means; household income cannot exceed the amount of occupants per house.

Example: Single Mom, two kids = \$36,200

WHO DO I CALL FOR MORE INFORMATION?

The Uintah Basin Association of Governments-UBAOG (the Agency) at 435-722-4518 is your contact for any questions that you may have about the project. They would like to begin construction in July 2004, but participants must be qualified and ready by June 1, 2004. To get an application and see if you can qualify, please call Nanette Landry or Lisa Nielsen. Applications are also available at Daggett County Courthouse, Manila Town Hall and at the UBAOG office next to the Daggett County Courthouse or visit our website at <http://www.daggettcounty.org/selfhelp.htm>.

The website also has answers to some common questions like: "What would be required of me?", "Can I build wherever I want to?", "How Much will it cost me to do this?", "Can I use my own floor plans?", "If I don't get paid a lot, can I afford the payment?", etc.



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Allen Campbell, Sheriff

DAGGETT COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

In an effort to better protect the children of Daggett County, the Daggett County Sheriff's Office will be giving away handgun vaults and trigger locks to secure your firearms from the curious minds of the children who live in our county. These handgun vaults and trigger locks will be given away to any citizens of Daggett County or close surrounding area (Washam, McKinnon), on the first come basis. Each household will be given one handgun vault and up to six trigger locks for as long as supplies last.

These Vaults have been furnished by donations from *QUESTAR, DAGGETT COUNTY LIONS CLUB, FLAMING GORGE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE, TOWN OF MANILA, DAGGETT COUNTY AND SPORTSMAN'S WAREHOUSE (RIVERDALE)*.

The trigger locks were furnished by a grant from the Department of Justice called **Project Child Safe**.

When you are given the vault and trigger locks you become the owner of this safety equipment and the only thing we ask is that you use it to help protect your children.

These vaults and trigger locks may be picked up at the Daggett County Sheriff's Office Monday thru Friday between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. beginning April 12th 2004. For any questions please call 435-784-3255.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Allen Campbell'.

Sheriff Allen Campbell

Commissioners' Corner

By Commissioner Craig Collett

Every once in a while I am asked a question that goes something like this: "What do you do as Commissioner? There can't be that much going on in such a small county like Daggett County." Usually, I stammer for a minute not knowing where to start with my reply.

It's an interesting question, because we have most of the same things to deal with as larger counties. The difference is we have fewer staff and fewer financial resources to accomplish the needed projects.

What I would like to do in this article is try and give a brief summary of a few things that are going on in the County and talk about what Daggett County Commissioners do.

The Commissioners divide up the responsibilities for various departments and projects in the County. Examples are roads, Emergency Medical Services, Public Lands, etc. Each Commissioner has between 8 and 12 of these responsibilities. Many of the things we do in this County are involved with other counties, plus State, and Federal agencies. Because of this, many of our meetings are with people and agencies outside of Daggett County.

Each of the Commissioners attends 15-30 meetings per month. Many times we do not attend the same meetings, but we attend those that are part of our responsibilities.

Last year, we hired Brian Raymond as our Executive Assistant. He is on many Boards and represents the Commissioners at many meetings that we cannot attend. Brian also writes grants, is our Economic Development Director, newsletter editor, website developer and staff person assigned to assist with some of the many County boards and committees.

In addition to Brian and the other dedicated County staff, we depend heavily on and appreciate the many who volunteer their time and expertise to make the area a better place to live. Here is a list of some of the boards and committees within the County which are mostly run by volunteers:

- Planning and Zoning Commission (7)
- Economic Development Board (7-9)
- Road Special Service District (3)
- Mosquito Abatement District (3)
- Northeast Counseling Center Board (4)

- Dutch John Advisory Committee (16)
- Museum Board (3)
- Cemetery Boards (3, 3)
- Public Lands Committee (7)
- Local Emergency Planning Committee (LEPC) (20)
- Tourism Tax Advisory Board (7)
- Library Board (3)
- and Scenic Byway Committee (3)

A lot of things would not happen if we did not have volunteers.

Here are a few projects that we are currently working on:

- Emergency Services Building
- Browns Park Road
- Community Action Plan
- Supporting role for combination of water and sewer on the west side of Daggett County
- Working to bring Dutch John's water and sewer up to State Standards
- Birch Creek Road overlay
- Chip and seal Browns Park Road
- Park for Dutch John
- Medical Services for the West Side of Daggett County
- Food Pantry
- County and Dutch John Zoning updated, and etc.

Can there really be this many things going on in little Daggett County? Yes, and if the resources were available there would be even more projects pursued.

It is a pleasure to work with the employees and volunteers of Daggett County. They are dedicated and hard working and are doing many good things. We appreciate your support and are willing to answer your questions and discuss any concerns you may have. We really do live in a great place with the variety of outstanding natural resources to enjoy.

Library Donation Received

The Daggett County Library recently received a large donation of a wide variety of hardback books from Buz and Renee Buzarde of Dutch John. Some of the authors and titles include:

By Sorrow's River by Larry McMurtry, author of *Lonesome Dove*,

Partners in Power, The Clintons and Their America, by Roger Morris,

Her Father's House, by Belva Plain,

My Gal Sunday, by Mary Higgins Clark

Mr. Buzarde is the author of a novel entitled "Oil Patch", which he wrote in 2002. The Daggett County Library is proud to be the recipient of two hardback copies of this novel which Mr. Buzarde has signed himself. The County wishes to thank Mr. & Mrs. Buzarde for their generous donation of these wonderful books! They will serve our library patrons well for many years to come.

The library is open from 9 a.m. to 12 noon and 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. on weekdays that the Courthouse is open. Books may be checked out for two weeks. The library also has a computer with Internet service that was donated by Workforce Services.



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Daggett County Roads

By Commissioner Chad Reed

Get in your automobile and go for a ride. Unless you're on a state highway, you will probably be on a county road. We have a total of 226.36 miles of roads that have some of the most scenic views and wide open spaces one could ever want. You would have to really hurry to get across all these miles in one day. If you were inclined to visit the four corners of this great county you would find 150 miles of gravel roads 17 miles of dirt, and 59 miles of paved roads. You would pass over 49 cattle guards and see over a hundred signs telling you the speed limits, and warning you of dangerous curves, steep grades, (like Jesse Ewing Canyon, which is 14% grade, so you had better go slow and hold on to the seat of your pants), bumps, rough roads, bridges, chain up areas and wildlife crossings.

Those of us who have lived in this county for any length of time, know that we live in a very unique place. We are the smallest county in Utah by population. This brings many challenges. One of these is dealing with adequate funding for our county roads. Some think their property taxes pay for road maintenance. This is not true. All funding comes from gas taxes. The formula used by the State of Utah to distribute these tax monies does not favor our small county due to the low population base.

In spite of our limited resources, we do meet many of our needs. For those who see the glass of water half full, we have and are making many road improvements. There are and will always be many wants concerning road improvements. We will be putting more information about our county roads on the County website at www.daggettcounty.org/roads.htm. Some examples might include: "Scheduled road improvements", "Current Road Work", "Road locations", and "How to get around the County", and etc.

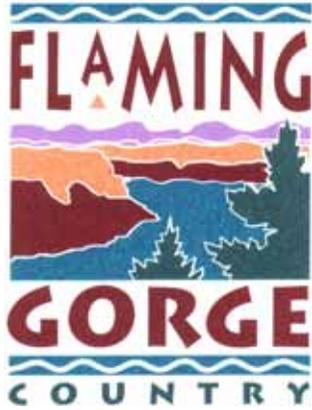
We encourage you to visit some of the remote areas of the county and see its beauty.

In addition to our County Roads we are lucky to have the Flaming Gorge Scenic Byway run through our County. The Byway Committee is preparing to apply for All American status in 2005. Currently there are only about 20 Byways in the U.S. with All American status.

County Classified Ads

For Sale - 10% off on all quilts for Mother's Day or graduation, purchased before May 31. Call 435 889-3769.

Space Available—Put your ad here for \$5 (40 words or less) by calling Brian Raymond at 435 784-3218.



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SCOUTS EARN EAGLE AWARDS



L to R: Jeff Catron, Jeremy Catron and Malcolm Rose

Congratulations go out to three members of Troop 26 in Manila, who received their Eagle Scout Awards on December 30, 2003. In order to earn this award, scouts have to complete over 20 Merit Badges that teach the scout how to be a good citizen, & how to take care of their bodies, their finances and the environment. They also get to choose to do some merit badges that will allow the scout to learn and develop skills and knowledge in an area of personal interest. Eagle Scouts must be active in their Troop and provide leadership within the troop, including a special "Eagle Project" that somehow benefits the community or some portion of it.

Jeremy Catron, son of Ross and Becky Catron in Manila re-

constructed the fence line along Hwy 43 near the Forest Service Office for his Eagle Project.

Malcolm Rose, son of Martin and Debbie Rose of Manila worked to increase the beauty of the Highway 43 area with the new fence. His project included planting trees and helping develop a way to water these trees.

Jeff Catron, son of Ross and Becky Catron developed a project to help the Henry's Fork Waterfowl Area. He and his crew removed old fencing, and landscaped the parking lot area.

MANILA HIGH SCHOOL BOYS WIN STATE 1A BASKETBALL CHAMPIONSHIP!

Saturday, March 6th, 2004 the Manila High School Boys Basketball Team made it into the record books as the 1A State Champions. After opening the season in the Delta Center with a disappointing loss to Mount Vernon, last year's Champions, they worked hard and won a majority of their games. They won their last 10 games including all of their games at Regions to win the Regional Championship and all of their games during the State Tournament to become the Champs. Zac Schofield was the Tournament MVP.