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#### **Bluebonnet Wars**

In 1901 the elected Texas leaders had on their agenda to choose a state flower. The cotton boll, the prickley pear and the bluebonnet were in competition. Most members had never even heard of the Bluebonnet. The women who originally proposed the Bluebonnet sent them a painting by Miss Mode Walker of Austin. Once displayed in the chamber, the bluebonnet was chosen as the state flower on March 7.

However, on that day a 70 year debate over which "species" began.

There were two bluebonnet species and most thought that the less attractive had been chosen. For about 70 years the legislature was encouraged to change the state flower. Finally, on March 8, 1971, the Legislature amended the statute to include both species known at the time, plus "any other variety of Bluebonnet not heretofore recorded" as the state flower of Texas.http://www.npsot.org/TrinityForks/

TrinityForksWeb/Newsletters/Bluebonnet Article.

### Around Town



Photo D McGlone 2011

I Never Make Mistakes, I Thought I Did Once, But I Was Mistaken. anonymous

# No matter how many mistakes you make or how slow your progress, you are still way ahead of everyone who isn't trying. unknown

#### **DON'T FORGET....**

It's time for all new homeowners to fill out and file their Homestead Exemption form.

They can be filed through April 30th. For forms and more info go to: www.traviscad.org/pdf/homesteadexemption.pdf

## Now that I'm older, here's what I've discovered:

- 1. I started out with nothing, and I still have most of it.
- 2. If walking is good for your health, the postman would be immortal.
- 3. If all is not lost, then where the heck is it?
- 4. It was a whole lot easier to get older than it was to get wiser.
- 5. Some days, you're the top dog, some days you're the hydrant.
- 6. I wish the buck really did stop here, I sure could use a few of them.
- 7. When I'm finally holding all the right cards, everyone wants to play chess.
- 8. It's not hard to meet expenses . . . They're everywhere.
- 9. These days, I spend a lot of time thinking about the hereafter . . . . I go somewhere to get something, and then wonder what I'm "here after".

#### So You're Not from Texas

A Lyle Lovett song says "That's right you're not from Texas but Texas wants you anyway". If that applies to you then you made need an interpretation of some of the language. For instance:

- Fixin to going to do something
- Howdy short for hello
- Over yonder over there
- Lit out took off for somewhere
- Gully washer heavy rain
- Tump spill or turn over
- I reckon I believe or suppose
- Plumb completely or totally
- Yup yes
  And if you aren't an Austinite, here are a few things that you need to know about :
- Burnet Rd—pronounced Burn-it not Bur-net'
- Koenig Lane—pronounced Kay-nig Lane
- Mueller—pronounced Miller
- Guadalupe—pronounced Gwada-loop Most Austin numbered streets were originally named for trees.

And MoPac (Loop1) named for the Missouri/Pacific railroad which runs parallel

#### Fun Facts About an Easter Favorite - Jelly Beans

The present day jelly bean made it's first appearance during the Civil War\*there are about 130 calories & 37 grams of sugar in an average serving (35 beans)\*they were the first candy to be sold by weight instead of by the piece. (From One Concierge @ Cherrywood Village)

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