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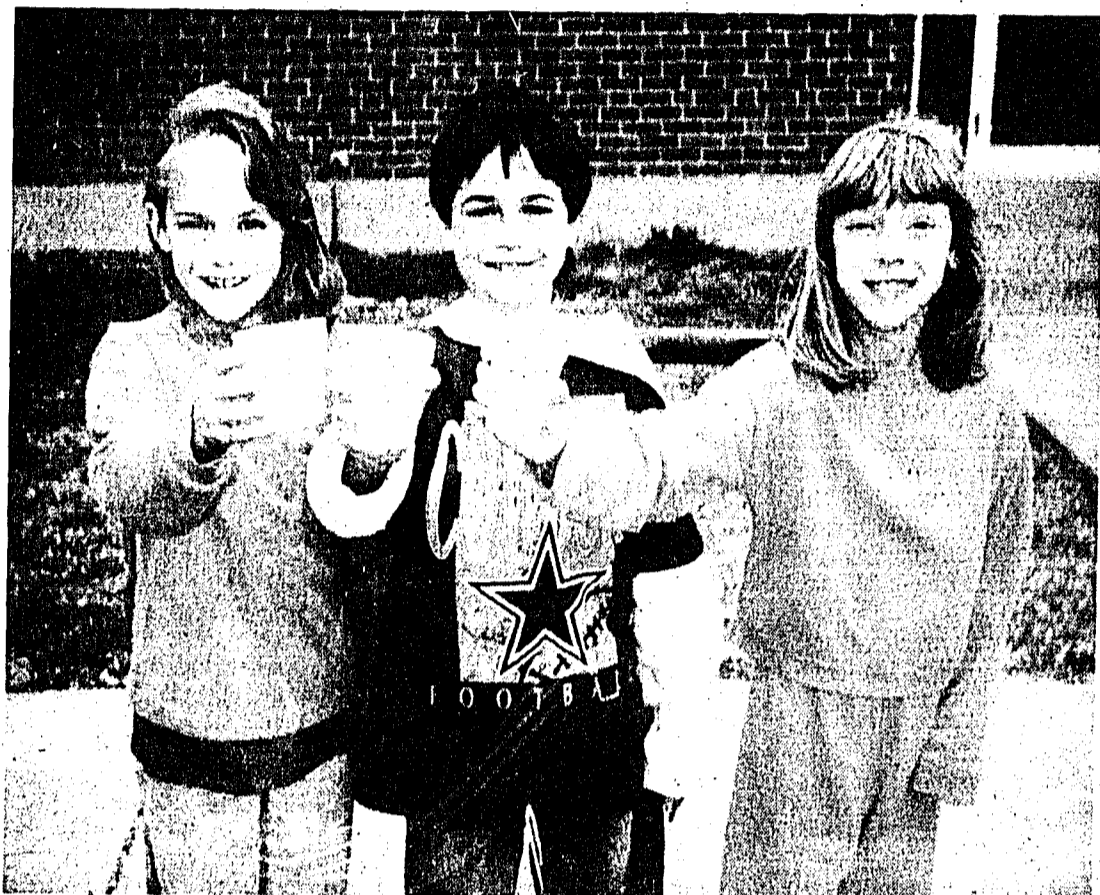
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'Here's To Texas!'

Three Santa Anna Elementary students posed for the camera on Tuesday by engaging in the time honored tradition of toasting Texas in anticipation of the March 2 observance of Texas Independence Day. Fourth graders pictured are Kelly Voss daughter of Eddie Paul and Susie Voss, Nathan Nicholas, son of Roland and Susan Nicholas and Alicia Ellis, daughter of Jerry and Cathy Ellis.

Photo by Carol Herring

Funtier Planning Session Monday

The Santa Anna Chamber of Commerce will be having a Funtier Day planning session at 7:00 p.m. Monday at Coleman County Telephone Cooperative's meeting room.

The public is invited to participate in this meeting to gather

input on how to come up with another successful Funtier Days, scheduled for May 20-21. Volunteers are needed in every work area concerning Funtier Day and any suggestions for new and interesting things to do are always appreciated.

We can have the best ever event this year if the community as a whole will get involved. Make every effort to be present for the planning meeting at 7:00 p.m. Monday at the Telephone Cooperative building.

State Capital



HIGHLIGHTS

By Lyndell Williams & Ed Sterling
TEXAS PRESS ASSOCIATION

AUSTIN — Sen. Bill Ratliff's ambitious 1,088-page school reform bill would strip much of the Texas Education Agency's authority over local schools and shorten the school year from 180 days to 175.

Ratliff's bill would place local school districts under an operating charter and cede more control of education to parents, teachers and school boards.

The bill has already drawn opposition over proposals it contains that would allow private school vouchers, charter schools, textbook selection by school boards and recall elections of school board members.

Lt. Gov. Bob Bullock, who has endorsed Ratliff's bill and wields considerable power in presiding over the Senate, has acknowledged that special interest groups are working against the bill.

Ratliff, R-Mount Pleasant, chairman of the Senate Education Committee, has been described by Bullock as "the most knowledgeable person about education in the Sen-

ate" and "the best appointment I have ever made."

House Approach Cautious

In contrast to Ratliff's sweeping package of education reforms, Rep. Paul Sadler, chairman of the House Education Committee, is leading a more cautious effort that allows limited experimentation with innovative methods of education.

Last week, Sadler, D-Henderson, said his committee was working on a bill that would limit charter schools to a few pilot projects and may not propose the implementation of private-school vouchers.

"I think we will structure a school system that looks very traditional," Sadler told the *Houston Chronicle*, adding that he anticipates "great reluctance" among lawmakers to alter the school finance system recently approved after bouncing in and out of state district court for years.

Sadler also pointed out that Ratliff's proposal to cut supplemental funding to the smallest school districts could force many of them (400 to 500) to consolidate.

Regarding Ratliff's proposal to reduce the minimum number of days children must attend school, Sadler said, "We need to add days to our school year, as many as money will allow us."

Lawsuit Liability Compromise

The House and Senate sponsors of lawsuit liability reform bills announced last week that they had reached a compromise that would free companies that aren't responsible for most of the blame in a lawsuit from being forced to pay all of the damages.

"Joint and several liability" is one of many tort reform measures under consideration in the Legisla-

ture, though business lawyers and trial lawyers on opposite sides of the debate agree that the liability issue is the corner stone of tort reform.

Rep. Rob Junell, D-San Angelo, and Sen. David Sibley, R-Waco, jointly announced that in most cases, companies would only be liable for 100 percent of the damages if they are found at least 51 percent responsible for the injuries.

Under current law, companies could be forced to pay 100 percent of damages if they are found as little as 11 percent responsible.

Sex Education Poll

Most Texans say the state should require grade schools to educate children about sex, sexually transmitted diseases and the use of condoms, according to the winter Texas Poll.

The telephone survey of 1,011 adults, conducted Feb. 2-11 by the University of Texas for Harte-Hanks Communications Inc., showed that 56 percent of Texans favor mandatory sex education in schools.

However, 32 percent of respondents said sex education in schools has done more harm than good, the poll indicated.

Support for condom education was higher among respondents under age 30 (73 percent) and Democrats (69 percent) than Independents (68 percent) and Republicans (52 percent). Fifty percent of respondents 60 and older favored condom education.

Kids' Lotto Temptation

Rep. Dan Kubiak, R-Rockdale, says he is skeptical about the new vending machines that will be

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Santa Anna Makes Regional Cut For Grant

Santa Anna is one of several communities in this area selected at the regional level for Community Development Block grants for water or sewer system improvements.

City Superintendent Tommy Jackson received word recently that Santa Anna had passed the preliminary step and was among those selected at the regional level.

However, the grants won't be official until approval at the state level next month, according to Jim Compton of the West Central Texas Council of Governments, which judged the applications on the regional level.

In a telephone interview Tuesday morning, Compton explained that the applications are scored at the regional level and the state level. When the scores are combined, the rankings determine the winners.

Winners at the regional level for 1994 funding were Rochester, \$245,800; Colorado City, \$249,300; Stamford, \$250,000; Rule, \$160,909; O'Brien, \$177,100; Lawn, \$250,000; Knox City, \$250,000; and Winters, \$250,000.

Goree was selected for \$63,398 in 1994 funding and an additional \$178,982 in 1995.

Santa Anna was recommended for 1995 funding in the amount of \$250,000. Throckmorton, \$250,000; Lorraine, \$165,833; Comanche, \$250,000; Merkel, \$177,390; Bangs, \$186,000; and Clyde, \$150,000.

Compton said that the 1994 funded grants will be processed within a month or six weeks after state level approval and those receiving 1995 funding will take probably 4 to 6 months to be processed after approval at the state level.

He added, "Chances are good the applications will be approved, but I always caution applicants to wait until they have the written approval 'in their hot little hands' before making too many plans. There are always things that can go awry. We see no problem at the state level, but we are hearing rumblings of some federal cuts which could have a bearing on the release of funds."

Tommy Jackson said the City of Santa Anna plans to use its grant on a sewer project which would eliminate the west lift station and lay a new sewer line in the southwest part of town to add additional residences to the sewer system.

One School Board Candidate, No Takers Yet For City Council

With the office of mayor and two council seats up for election this year, as of Tuesday afternoon no one had signed up as a candidate for any of the positions. Councilmen Danny Kellar and Jim Spillman's places will be open on the council this year along with that of Mayor Gate Brock.

Incumbent school board president Marty Donham is the only person official announce his candidacy. Other school board members with terms expiring are Edwin Hipsher and Clint Day.

Deadline for filing in the city or school election is March 22. Early voting will run from Monday, April 17 through Tuesday, May 2 with the election set for May 6.

Bangs "Q" team, Winters "I" team and Coleman's "T" team.

Other schools with teams participating were Ballinger, Brookesmith, Graham, Mason, Santa Anna and Woodson.

WTU Files Rate Review

West Texas Utilities Company (WTU) will file a rate review with the Public Utility Commission of Texas in Austin, as previously announced by the company last August. A similar filing will also be made with several of the cities WTU serves.

After performing a study on the cost of providing service, WTU determined that a \$14.6 million increase was fully justified. If approved, such an increase would be spread over WTU's 52,000 square-mile service territory. The average bill for a typical residential customer could increase by \$7, based on the average usage of 1,000 kwh per month.

In a separate action, WTU announced a settlement offer to parties in the proceeding that could continue a base rate revenue reduction of \$5.9 million. Under the settlement proposal, the bill for a typical residential customer could be \$1 or \$2 less per month than their bill under the current permanent rates. The company established a period until April 17, 1995, to consider this settlement.

"As part of the proposal that would position WTU for the future, we are introducing new pricing structures to help us attract and retain business in West Texas," said Robert Noriega, area manager.

Under WTU's proposal, new pricing structures would result in some customers experiencing an overall rate decrease greater than the current interim reduction of 3.25 percent. At the same time, some customers would experience an overall rate decrease of less than 3.25 percent. But, with the exception of standby customers, no customer would see their overall rates increase above rates in effect prior to Oct. 1.

However, WTU said it won't know what the final outcome will be until after the conclusion of either a settlement or hearings in Austin.

WTU's base rates have not been increased since 1987. Since that time, the Consumer Price Index has increased 34.2 percent, while consumer goods such as automobiles have increased 62.6 percent and postage stamps have gone up 44.5 percent.

"WTU has a mutual interest with our cities in seeing West Texas grow and prosper. Because of our continuing competitive initiative, we have presented a proposal to maintain the overall base rate revenue at the reduced level of 3.25 percent," said Noriega.

"We believe this proposal will ensure continuing economic growth and prosperity in West Texas," Noriega added.

SA Students Compete Well In Academic Event, Finish Almost In The Money

Santa Anna High school students Jamie Ellis, Laura Howze, Danna Jones, Arty Michon, Tom Guthrie and Chanda Simmons made up the two teams from SAHS who compete in the Small Schools Area VIII Academic Competition held last Sunday in Coleman.

Although the local teams did not place, according to one spectator they really did well and were in the top three for a time. The students gained valuable experience by participating.

The top five teams split the

\$10,000 prize money in the form of scholarship funds. The top five teams also advance to the next level of competition with a chance to win more funds.

Hondo's "Q" team placed first followed by Coleman's "U" team,

Well Said

One reason why a dog is such a lovable creature is that his tail wags instead of his tongue.

Downtown Historical Marker Isn't New One

We at the NEWS office have been asked by any number of people about the new historical marker at the City Hall. There is no new marker. The marker placed east of town in the 60's giving historical facts about Santa Anna and our mountain has been relocated to a place in front of City Hall. According to information given us officials felt it would be better noticed in that location than on the highway entering town.



Traffic Count Taking Place Here

The Texas Department of Transportation was setting up traffic count cables on Wallis Avenue Tuesday and on 1st and 8th streets approaching Wallis to determine the possible need for additional traffic lights at those intersections. The City had put in a request some time ago for lights at those intersections. It is our understanding if the study shows lights are warranted, the State will furnish them.

Staff photo

Santa Anna — A Town Of Friendly People

Including
Mr. and Mrs. Tom Kingsbery

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Emergency Number For City Utility Problems

To report a city utility emergency call City Hall at 348-3403 24 hours a day. The city crew member on call may also be reached by calling the mobile phone 348-7950.

Birthdays & Anniversaries

MARCH 2
Veronica Frausto
Teresa Carter
Bessie McDonald
Phillip James Wristen

MARCH 3
Richard Cupps
Helen Williams
Mr&Mrs Rick Watson*

MARCH 4
Wanda Daniel
Mr. and Mrs. Bob Barstow

MARCH 5
Alan Hamilton
Mr&Mrs Edwin Hipsher*
Eddie Jones
Virgie Morgan
Mike Hosch
Mr&Mrs Steve Cullins*

MARCH 6
Monty Bouldin
Doris Griffin
Johnny Herrod
Mr&Mrs John T. Williams*
Amy Wristen

MARCH 7
Doris Cupps
Tommy DeLeon Sr.
Johnny Vasquez

MARCH 8

MARCH 9
Marsha Turney
Emilee Dee Miller
Bettie Dues
Ray Jones



Roger and Katrina Guerrero are proud to announce the arrival of their daughter, Courtney Kaylyn, born Feb. 22, 1995 at Brownwood Regional Medical Center. She weighed 5 lb. 14-1/2 oz and was 19-3/4 inches long. Proud grandparents are Tex and Roberta Tomlinson and Mr. and Mrs. Roger Guerrero, Sr., all of Santa Anna. Virgie Morgan of Santa Anna is great-grandmother.

TxDOT Works To Eliminate Illegal Roadside Advertising

The Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) is seeking help from area churches to bring local highways into compliance with the Texas Litter Abatement Act by eliminating illegal roadside advertising.

Currently, service club signs and religious notice signs located on land adjacent to the state's highway system are exempt from the regulations of the Act, passed by the Texas Legislature in 1972 and again in 1982, as long as the signs are not larger than eight square feet in area. For signs that exceed the eight square foot limit, a permit must be obtained from TxDOT, or the sign removed, said Bill Crumbley, director of transportation planning and development of the Brownwood District.

Though the Texas Litter Abatement Act is a Texas statute, it is tied to the Highway Beautification Act, a federal act passed by the U. S. Congress in 1965. If not enforced, Texas risks losing federal funds used for construction of the state's highways.

For further clarification or information on obtaining a sign permit, please call the Brownwood District's right-of-way office at 915-646-2591.

Big Country Cancer Coalition To Meet March 9

The next meeting of the Sub-Region 9 of the Big Country Cancer Coalition will be Thursday, March 9 at 11:30 a.m.

The meeting will take place in the Administrative Conference Room at Brownwood Regional Medical Center in Brownwood.

Interested persons are encouraged to bring their own lunch and join the group for an update on the Travel and Lodging project and the Speakers Bureau.

Santa Anna Nutrition Center Menu

FRIDAY, MARCH 3
Hamburgers, tater tots, fried jello and lettuce/tomato/pickles

MONDAY, MARCH 6
Oven prepared chicken, cream gravy, mashed potatoes, green beans, chocolate pudding

FRIDAY, MARCH 10
Chicken ala king, sweet potatoes, broccoli, biscuits and jello w/pears

Obituaries

Georgia Irion

Services for Georgia Irion, 93, of New Braunfels, were held at 2:30 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 26, 1995, at Henderson Funeral Home. Burial followed Santa Anna Cemetery.

She died Friday, Feb. 24, 1995 at Kirkwood Manor Nursing Home in New Braunfels.

Born Jan. 25, 1902 in Tow, she was a retired beautician and a Baptist.

She married Alfred B. Irion in 1935 in Gladewater; he died in 1979.

Survivors include two sisters, Eula Henderson of Winnsboro and Ruby Cass of New Braunfels; one brother, J. W. Davis of Dallas; and several nieces and nephews.

Jim Lacy Ingram

Jim Lacy Ingram, 76, died Saturday, Feb. 4, 1995 at the Bossier Medical Center in Bossier City, LA following a brief illness.

Services were held at the John Knox Presbyterian Church in Bossier City, La., Tuesday, Feb. 7, 1995 with Rev. Lee Grisso, pastor of John Knox Presbyterian Church in Bossier City assisted by Rev. Kenneth Christy, a former pastor of the church. Burial followed in Hill Crest Memorial Park with military services.

He was born May 20, 1918 to Palestine to the late James Lee and Dollie James Ingram and was the stepson of the late Lena Ingram. He attended Buffalo and Santa Anna schools, graduating from Santa Anna High School in 1934.

He was an elder of the John Knox Presbyterian Church, was a member of the V.F.W. Post #4588 and served in the U. S. Army and the U. S. Army Air Corp. He was a veteran of World War II. He joined the Army with the 36th division from Santa Anna at the beginning of World War II and retired from civil service work at Barksdale Air Force Base in Shreveport, La.

Survivors include his wife, Emma Ingram of Bossier City, La.; two sons, Michael Ingram of Idaho Falls, Idaho and Barry Ingram of Baton Rouge, La.; three sisters, May Jones of Bangs; Era Lee Hanke of Cross Plains and Imogene Powers of Santa Anna; one grandson, Bear Remjen of Idaho Falls, Idaho and a number of nieces and nephews.

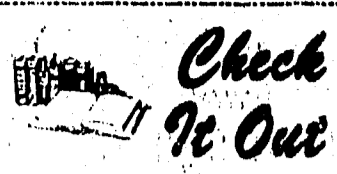
Speaker Appoints Turner Vice-Chair Of Committee On Military And Veterans Affairs

AUSTIN—Texas House Speaker Pete Lancy has announced the appointment of Representative Bob Turner, D-Voss, to serve as vice-chair of the House Select Committee on Military and Veterans Affairs.

Speaker Lancy created the committee Thursday by proclamation. The seven-member committee with study and report to the full House on the impact of national military and defense policies on Texas. It also will look at issues affecting Texas veterans that may be addressed by state law.

"The State of Texas has a long and proud history of concern for its military veterans and their families," Speaker Lancy said. "It is appropriate that the Legislature devote special attention to matters affecting those who have sacrificed so much for their country."

Speaker Lancy said he believes Representative Turner will serve the House well as vice-chair of this special committee. "Representative Turner is a devoted veteran. I believe he will make a thorough and complete study of these issues that are important to us all," Speaker Lancy said.



Another person is searching for ancestors—I remember hearing about Dr. W. F. Holland. His wife was Cora Parrott from Georgia. She died and was buried here in 1932. Do any of you have an obituary? or other information about the family? Call me or the library.

We have heard nothing about John Asa and Elizabeth Moore Brady. Does anyone have information about them?

God's Joyful Surprise, Finding Yourself Loved written by Sue Monk Kidd may be the answer you have been looking for. She had a heart attack to find out; maybe you can read her book before that happens. If you are meeting yourself coming around every corner—you may be looking for approval (love). Mrs. Kidd found that God loved her. The bibliography would be an excellent reading guide for any of us. This book was donated to the library in memory of Mrs. Earl (Myrtle) Chapman.

Carol Voss donated some new books including two by Lavyrlie Spencer—**Forgiving and The Endearment Jewels** by Danielle Steele and **Slow Waltz in Cedar Bend** by J. Waller. This and the **Bridges of Madison County** have been on the best seller lists for months. The library now has both. You should read them. Several do not agree with their high rating do you? The latest **White Indian** book, **Red Stick** by Donald C. Porter is now on the shelves as is Tom Clancy's **Without Remorse**. We have a promise of his latest—the one of TV this week. I'm told the books is another story altogether!

Mrs. Shirley Isbell gave 24 books from a series for boys and girls. Each book is the story of a person's life and it illustrates an important human value. For example **The Story of Will Rogers** illustrates the value of humor. **The Story of Albert Schweitzer** illustrates dedication. **The Story of Harriet Tubman** give meaning to the value of helping. **The Story of Beethoven** shows the value of giving. These books have good illustrations with humor. I think boys and girls will enjoy each one.

Mr. and Mrs. Thompson were driving through from San Angelo and bought several books. The library continues to sell a few each week.

Our sincere thanks to all of you who faithfully support the library with gifts, books and by purchasing books. You keep us going.

You may like to know that Mr. Dummer has moved his book store in Brownwood. Those who have seen it think it is really nice. Remember that he has been most generous giving the library books. The library has received copies of the list of unclaimed property from Texas State Treasurer. If you want to check for your name, come in and look. Good luck! There are 17 names from Santa Anna! We even have a magnifying glass to read the small print.

'Round & About

John and Billie Gregg met Tracy Farris of San Angelo, Dorothy Chance of San Angelo, Kayron Chance of Phoenix, Ariz., and Kelly and Gary Paulson and son Layne of Irving in Ballinger last week for lunch and visiting.

Thoughts From Our Pastors

James Ford Assembly of God

Be Strong In The Lord

We have seen many changes in the world in my lifetime, but we have one thing that has not changed. That is the word of God. It will never happen. So we need to look at it and live by it.

In Ephesians chapter 6 verse 10 we read: Finally, my brethren, be strong in the Lord, and the power of his might. To do so we must realize that it takes His help. We can not do it alone.

In verse 11 we read: Put on the whole armour of God, that we may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil. We should always the best we have when we are at war with the enemy. In verse 12 we find that the enemy is not flesh and blood. But against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this world, against spiritual wickedness in high places. In this type of battle we need the whole armour of God, that we will be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all to stand. When we make the preparations to stand then verse 14 tells us to stand, having our loins girt about with truth, and having on the breast plate of righteousness. There is one thing that has always stood out to me. That is truth. Without it we have nothing to stand on. Verse 15 says, And your feet shod with the preparation of the gospel of peace. What a wonderful feeling it is to have peace in your heart. We can lay down at night and go to sleep. Many people do not know this peace. Verse 16 says, Above all, taking the shield of faith, wherewith ye shall be able to quench all the fiery darts of the wicked. The wicked throws many darts at us but if we have on God's armour we have nothing to worry about. Verse 17 tells us about taking the helmet of salvation that gives us knowledge that we can be overcomers. Then we are to take the sword of the spirit which is the Word of God that gives us the power to take the battle to the enemy. Then do not forget prayer for it will strengthen us always. WE can be strong in the Lord.

General Lee Visits County Historical Commission Meeting

Contributed

The February meeting of the Coleman County Historical Commission was held in the First Coleman National Bank Hospitality Room at 7 p.m. on Feb. 23, 1995. Chairman Ron Owens called the meeting to order and minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Joe Watson gave a brief report on the success of "Rendezvous 1995" followed by comments and suggestions for improvements or changes for next year.

Danny Ray presented an update on plans for the upcoming Camp Colorado Celebration. A discussion followed regarding other ideas for the August event.

Joe Watson shared what the historical marker committee had learned about cost and placement of historical markers. The topic of cemetery markers was tabled awaiting receipt of further information.

After the business meeting, Chairman Ron Owens introduced the renowned General Robert E. Lee as speaker for the evening. The members and guests were then given the honor of experiencing a journey into the past while General Lee, as portrayed by Dr. Travis L. Summerlin, related those post-civil war years experiences. Dr. Summerlin serves as pastor to the First United Methodist Church of Cross Plains. The character of General Robert E. Lee was literally brought to life, along with other characters Lee encountered, by Dr. Summerlin's warm and moving portrayal of the times.

Members present were Ron and Diane Owens, Danny Ray, Tex and Patsy Wright, Felton and Betty Martin, Billie Guthrie, Joyce Jones and Joe Watson.

Visitors attending were Lyda and Hollis Shultz of Cross Plains, accompanying guest speaker Travis Summerlin; Bob Runyan and Montie Guthrie, III of Santa Anna; Juanita Shields of Novice; and Thelbert Elkins, Charlyne Mills Griffith and Jane Jennings Kraker of Coleman.

Increased Tax On Social Security Benefits For Some In 1995

Beginning with tax returns due for the taxable year 1994, a new two-tiered method of computing taxes due on Social Security benefits will be used that may mean more tax for higher earners.

You include 85 percent of your Social Security benefits in your taxable income if you are a married couple earning over \$44,000 a year or a single person (or married person separated from their spouse the entire year) earning \$34,000. You include the current rate of 50 percent of benefits in figuring your taxable income on earnings between \$32,000 and \$44,000 for couples and \$25,000 and \$34,000 for singles.

You should have received a statement from Social Security during January, an SSA-1099 that includes IRS Notice 703. After you complete the five steps on the notice, you'll know whether you need to pay taxes on your benefits.

For an explanation of taxable benefits, call IRS for Publication 915, Tax Information of Social Security Benefits (and Tier I Railroad Retirement Benefits); IRS Publication 553, Highlights of the 1993 Tax Changes (that affect your 1994 tax return); and IRS Publication 554, Tax Information for Older Americans. The IRS number is 1-800-829-3676.



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Spotlight On Our Neighbors



John & Billie Gregg

Since John Gregg retired from his position as Santa Anna Postmaster about ten years ago, he has enjoyed spending time in his garden, doing yard work, fishing and having time to spend with family. His wife Billie enjoys embroidering, reading and cross work puzzles. Both find great pleasure in watching the many species of birds that spend time around their place each year, especially the "didos" of the purple martins. "Although," John says, "whoever told me they would eat all the mosquitoes around close, didn't know what they were talking about, 'cause I still get bit."

Though their lives are a little slower pace now, times were when the couple was plenty busy.

They were married January 4, 1947. John was editor of the family owned Santa Anna News at the time. Unknown to them, Billy Joe Harvey was taking Doris Bible as his bride on the same day. Billy Joe worked for the paper, but neither couple knew the other's plans. Before their marriage, Billie was a resident of Coleman. She was reared in Joaquin, in east Texas, and grew up vowing she would some day live where it didn't rain all the time. She found that spot here in Coleman County.

For the first few years of their marriage, Billie was home taking care of children, but after a while became advertising sales representative for the Santa Anna News, a job she enjoyed even past the time the Gregg family got out of the newspaper business in 1963

and John was appointed acting postmaster and then postmaster, taking the oath of office on his mother's birthday in April of 1963.

John had been associated with the Santa Anna News all his life. until his postmaster job. His father bought the Santa Anna News in 1920 while owning and publishing the Rising Star newspaper. John worked with his father from the time he was old enough to take on some chores and took over the operation of the newspaper when returning from service in 1945.

John served in the Army Air Corps during WWII. He was a radio operator on a C47 which flew supply missions in the South Pacific.

John and Billie enjoyed working together at the Santa Anna News where she said her only job was selling advertising. She worked a couple of days a week and the rest of the time she was taking care of three children, daughters Darlene Pirillo now an ICU supervisor at Kaiser Hospital in Carson, California and Juanell Stiles of Coleman, a lab nurse at Brownwood Regional Hospital, and son John, also a Coleman resident, who is a landman for Ensearch.

Both say what they miss most about the newspaper business and John's stint as Postmaster is the contact with people of the community. They said it was hard getting used to not knowing everybody in town, but none the less the Greggs are enjoying their retirement, and life in general in Santa Anna.

Courtesy Of
Santa Anna National Bank

Trickham News

By Anna York

The rain that fell over the weekend was wonderful with measurements being from one inch and three tenths up to over three inches, everyone is thankful as the grain needed the moisture and our tanks are full of water again, it was great.

Joel and Diane McClatchy of Rockwall visited on Thursday afternoon with Talmadge and Laverne McClatchy.

Annie Lou Vaughn visited Friday afternoon with Mrs. Gertrude Martin.

Gayla and J. W. Sellers and family of Weatherford and the Doyné McIver family of San Angelo visited on Saturday with Terry and Helen McIver and Ben. Jorge Wert Sellers of Abilene stayed over the night. Sunday dinner guests were Betsy and Ray Jones. Reece McIver of Austin visited in the afternoon.

Novella Stearns visited on Wednesday in Brownwood with a sister-in-law Mrs. Myra Haynes.

There were four ladies that quilted on Monday afternoon at the community center, they were Mrs. Edna

Laughlin, Novella Stearns, Annie Lou Vaughn and Mrs. Tony Watson. On Thursday night there were fourteen present for the eighty-four party.

Natalie McIver attended a ladies club meeting in Brownwood on Thursday with her sister Jane Young, and Saturday visited in Santa Anna with her daughter Darla McIver and children.

Lea and Loyd Mock of Post and Betty and Damon Miller and two little granddaughters Rebecca Swan and Leslie Garrett, all of Austin spent the weekend with Mrs. Mary Lea Mitchell.

Royce and Wanda McIver attended a soccer game in San Angelo on Saturday where two of their grandsons were playing. Kyle and Phillip Smith were playing for Midland Lee School in Midland. Their parents Sabrina and Artie Smith were also there and got to visit with her parents. Later Royce and Wanda visited with her uncle and aunt Bill and Vada-Hodges then Sunday afternoon they visited Mr. and Mrs. Bill Bryan at Rockwood.

HOME VIDEO OUTLET # 2

615 Wallis Ave. Santa Anna 348-3192
Latest Movie Releases

The Lion King

Princess Caraboo

Sarah Pelton Honored On First Birthday

Sarah Pelton, daughter of Alys Pelton, celebrated her first birthday with a party at First Baptist Church on Feb. 4, 1995. The theme of the party was Garfield. Teal, white and orange streamers decorated the outside and inside of the building along with balloons. Decorating was done by Shamey Brand, Karen Morris and Alys Pelton.

Friends and relatives attending were Memaw and Pawpaw (Pat and Tex) Wright, Uncle James and Aunt Cindy and Chrystal, Jennifer and Jessica Pelton, Grannie Audrey Mae Wright, Michelle Morgan, Karen and Molly Mosqueda, Tommy Jackson, Thomas Watson, Tuy and Bobby Chamberlin and Tanner, Barbara Williams, Karen Morris, Shamey Brand and Sarah's mom.

Games were played by the children and everyone enjoyed cake and ice cream.

Whon News

By Mrs. Tom Rutherford

We are all very thankful for the nice rain our community received over the weekend. Our community received 2 inches of rain Saturday and Sunday morning for the nice moisture. We are thankful.

Mr. and Mrs. Don Fitzpatrick and girls spent the weekend with Mrs. Julie Fitzpatrick's parents Mr. and Mrs. Vincent and Harriet Halsmann at Rowena. Reported a very nice weekend.

I am sorry to report the death of my cousin Mr. Cap Holder in the San Angelo Hospital Thursday morning following very serious surgery. Memorial services were held elsewhere. Burial services were in the Kermit Cemetery Saturday afternoon by the side of his wife. Cap Mather was my father's sister and has quite a few relatives in this area. He has a brother and two sisters living in Brownwood. Not sure but my thoughts are the father of two children, a son and a daughter.

Thankful to have my three sons Thomas, Hilary and Loyd with me during the week.

Thomas and I really enjoyed Mr. and Mrs. Jack and Skeeta Cooper of Rockwood to drive down over and visit with us a while Sunday afternoon. They like us are very thankful for the good little rain. We have recently received.

Mrs. Ethel Radle daughter Ruth Poldrack of Coleman visited with her in Santa Anna on Tuesday then on Sunday.

Mr. Douglas Avant of Brady was with his mother Mrs. Pearl Avant in Santa Anna on Tuesday and also drove to Coleman and visited his brother James Avant. We are thankful James is feeling better even though not very much just yet. We are rootin' for you James.

Thomas talked with his wife in New Hampshire Sunday afternoon. She reported was 12 degrees there Sunday morning.

Mr. Leon Carter visited with his sister Lorene Black in Brownwood Sunday.

Stripers In Lake Ivie???

A Fish Record Application for a new lake record striped bass weighing 13 pounds 4 ounces by Sam Keel of San Angelo at Lake O. H. Ivie was submitted to the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department (TPWD) for verification. The big question is: Where did it come from? Well, TPWD Fisheries Biologists have NOT stocked stripers into the lake, so that fish had to come from somewhere else. There are three possible ways that striped bass got into Ivie.

First, someone could have caught it somewhere else and transported it to Ivie, and then released it. This is not very likely since stripers do not usually survive being hooked, played, stuck in a live-well, and then transported. Second, the striper could have swum up the Colorado River from Lake Buchanan before Ivie was impounded, and then stayed in the reservoir when it was flooded. This is also unlikely due to the long distance and numerous obstacles (dams, water-falls, low water flow).

Third, and most likely, the striper came out of Lake Spence during a water discharge period and made its way down to Lake Ivie, where it remained until caught a few weeks ago. And yes, there are probably more of them out there, but not enough to get excited about going to Lake Ivie to fish for them. Since it is almost impossible for stripers to reproduce in this area, there should never be a significant population of them in Lake Ivie; only the few that escape from Lake Spence. There will occasionally be reports or rumors of anglers catching a big striper, or hooking a fish that smoked their drag and broke them off, but that is the stuff good stories are made of. And, if anglers couldn't tell stories, most of us wouldn't go fishing.

Creative And Sewing Fair Planned For Thurs., March 2

Everyone is invited to attend the Creative and Sewing Fair on Thursday, March 2, 1995 in the Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Coleman. Session I will be held from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. and Session II will take place from 6:30 p.m. to 9 p.m.

Everyone is invited to attend this springtime creative event. Turn your creative talents into individual accomplishments. Come and go at your convenience; see everything or check out your favorites. See demonstrations using the newest computerized and embroidering sewing machines, sergers and quilting equipment; collect the latest in supplies and notions; and gather ideas for springtime decorative wearable and home decor. Some patterns and small notions will be available. No pre-registration is required.

This fair is sponsored by the Coleman County Family & Consumer Sciences Council and the Texas Agricultural Extension Service.

dispensing scratch-off tickets from the Texas Lottery.

"I don't want them near schools. It makes it too easy for youngsters to play," he told the *Houston Chronicle*.

Texas Lottery Commission Director Nora Linares said store personnel will be able to turn off the vending machines by remote control if children attempt to use them.

County Baptist Assn. To Meet In Santa Anna Sun.

The regular meeting of the Coleman County Baptist Association will be held Sunday, March 5 at First Baptist Church in Santa Anna.

The program is to be a music festival. The festival will begin at 3:30 p.m. The festival will consist of special music, presentation by church choirs, groups and individuals. Berry Phillips, association music director, is in charge of the program.

The W.M.U. will not meet, nor the executive board. No meal will be served.

The public is invited to attend.

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— but only 10 percent of the machines have the remote control feature.

Other Highlights

- In response to the announcement by Kelly Air Force Base that 258 employees will be terminated, Gov. Bush last week dispatched the state Rapid Response Team to San Antonio and instructed the Texas Department of Commerce to assist

the impacted workers.

- The 15-member State Board of Education would no longer be elected under a bill being considered by the House Committee on Public Education. The measure by Rep. Curtis Seidits, D-Sherman, would reduce the panel to a seven-member board appointed by the governor.

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MONDAY, MARCH 6
Breakfast: Cinnamon roll, orange or apple juice, raisins and milk

Lunch: Steakfingers, baked potato wedge, pea salad, fresh pears, orange or apple juice, whole wheat rolls, milk, gravy and honey

TUESDAY, MARCH 7
Breakfast: French toast or waffle, sausage, orange or apple juice, raisins, milk and syrup

Lunch: Fish burger w/cheese, shredded lettuce, fruit, tator tots, orange or apple juice, milk, tartar sauce, mayo and catsup

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 8
Breakfast: Biscuits, apple or orange juice, raisins, milk, sausage gravy and jelly

Lunch: Chicken nuggets, whipped potatoes, green beans, fresh apple wedge, orange or apple juice, hot rolls, milk, gravy, catsup and honey

THURSDAY, MARCH 9
Breakfast: Blueberry muffins, toast, orange or apple juice, raisins, milk and jelly

Lunch: Taco bowl w/meat, lettuce, tomatoes w/cheese, refried beans, spanish rice, fresh orange halves, orange or apple juice, milk, peppers and picante sauce

FRIDAY, MARCH 10
Breakfast: Cream of wheat, cinnamon toast, orange or apple juice, raisins and milk

Lunch: Hamburger w/bun, burger salad w/pickles, french fries, orange or apple juice, milk, cookie, catsup and mayo or mustard

SAHS Track Schedule

- March 4: Eagle Relays Goldthwaite
- March 11: Hornet Relays Merton
- March 18: Hill Country Relays Mason
- March 25: Baird Relays Baird
- April 1: Panther Relays Gorman
- April 8: Bulldog Relays Eden
- April 13: District 10A Meet Stephenville
- April 22: Regional Qualifiers TBA
- April 28-29: Regional Meet Abilene
- May 5-6: State Qualifiers TBA
- May 12-13: State Meet Austin

Santa Anna Junior High Track Schedule

- Mar. 10 Jim Ned Relays Lawn
- Mar. 17 Rising Star Relays Rising Star
- Mar. 25 Baird Relays Baird
- Mar. 31 Panther Relays Gorman
- Apr. 7 District 10A Zone Gorman

Scholastic Book Fair To Begin At SA Elementary Friday, March 3

Santa Anna Elementary school library will be having a Scholastic Book Fair beginning Friday, March 3. The Book Fair will continue the following Monday, March 6 through Friday, March 10. Hours will be 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

SAHS Writes

By Cesar Patino
Mrs. Guthrie's English II-A
This is writing in preparation for the TAAS test.

Dear Senator:
I have heard that you have suggested that all eighteen-year-olds in the United States be required to perform two years of community service. This policy would be a good way to get teenagers involved in their own communities. I myself would like this policy to go into effect. Here are some of the reasons why I feel this way about it.

One of my first reasons is that high school students would be guaranteed a paying job for a while after high school. This would help in a big way some students who don't have a job. Those students who don't have a job wouldn't have to go through the trouble of looking for a job. This policy would have a job waiting for them already, and they would not have to worry about finding one. This would make it easier on students, because finding a job is not always easy to do. Also this job would be a good way to get some money saved to pay a little for college.

Another one of my reasons is that this policy would help teenagers learn some about the responsibilities of life and mature at the same time. I think that having a job is probably the best way to learn responsibility, because you have to keep up with what you are doing. This community service would also help teenagers mature before they head on to college or to another job. Teenagers must learn responsibility and mature, and I think this is the best way—by making them do something in their community.

Finally, teenagers can help the community by contributing themselves for two years. They can help people as individuals as well as the

community as a whole. This policy is the best way to get teenagers to help the community. Many teenagers would most likely just head on to college and never help their communities, but this is the best way to keep them around for a little longer before parents let them go to college. The teenagers can help the community by helping clean-up. They can also help people as well. This is the best way to get teenagers to teach them to work with people. Later, after they are out of college, they will have to find a job, and they will already know something about communicating with people.

In conclusion, these are just some reasons why I agree with you, Mr. Gramm. I hope this is enough to convince you to pass this policy about teenagers performing two years of community service. Thank you for taking the time to read what I had to say.

Sincerely,
Cesar Patino

SAHS Announces Gold, Silver Card Recognition

Sam Huffman, principal of Santa Anna High School has announced the names of students receiving gold and silver card recognition for the fourth six weeks:

- Gold Cards:**
8th: Bonnie Britton
9th: Hector Patino, Amanda Lishka, Rene Guerrero, Elizabeth Taylor, Shane Watson and Beth Eisenhower
10th: Ami Beal, Cesar Patino and Briana Homer
11th: Brandi Martin and Melonie Smith
12th: Shamey Brand, Kasinee Bourpair, Amy Miller, Manuel Frausto, James Balderas, Danna Jones, Jamie Ellis and Laura Howze
- Silver Cards**
7th: Kristi Wade and Jesse Castillo
8th: Maria Ellerbe, Jeremy Tomme and Randa Wats
9th: Kayce Strength, Yolando Guerrero, Josh Daniel, Chris Johnson and Aaron Guthrie
10th: Rachael Guerrero, Tim Abernathy, Stacey Smart and Chris Cheaney
11th: Patricia Scott
12th: Misty Bradley, Chanda Simmons, Fredienna Harrell, Becky Zabel and Cynthia Patterson

SAHS Tennis Team To Cross Plans Tourney

The Santa Anna High School tennis team will travel to Cross Plains on Friday and Saturday to compete in their first tournament of the season.

A complete schedule of tournaments will be published next week.

Students With Perfect Attendance Honored At Santa Anna Elementary

Students at Santa Anna Elementary who had Perfect Attendance for the fourth six weeks of the school year were recently recognized.

Dena Fortune's second class received the Perfect Attendance Trophy for the second consecutive six weeks. The class had an average attendance of 98.88%. The state standard is 97%.

Students receiving the recognition were:

Kindergarten Mrs. Nixon: Christopher Brooks, Jimmy Grissom, Audra Hubbard, Justin Johnson, Amber King and Joshua River

First Grade: Abraham Dancy, Rudy Enriquez, Zane Fikes, Ryan Guerrero, Tracy Hale, Jessica Hensley, Harmony Herring, Vanessa Hull, Colt Martin, Jessica Pelton, Martin Rodriguez, Carl Sims, Stevie Stemberge, Gregory Strength, Bianca Torres, Mayra Torres and Raelee Watson

Second Grade Mrs. Fortune: Julio Bernal, Ramiro Guerrero, Jeffery Hale, LaShawn McDowell, Richard Rankin, Austin Sanders, Kathy Simmons, Collin Stemberge and Crystal Wetsel

Second Grade Mrs. Cheaney: Kayla Cloer, Hannah Collins, Bryan Fellers, Robby Hale, Laron

McCloud, Micah Pritchard and Matthew Vasquez

Third Grade: Steven Blanton, Mandy Boyet, Kindi Cloer, Christina Enriquez, John Frausto, Tyler Morgan, Brian Spivey, Stacie Rankin, Amber Squyres and Michael Way

Fourth Grade: Nathan Blaine, Jamie Ellerbe, Alicia Ellis, Sarah Frausto, Gary Hale, Lisa Hornback, Nathan Nicholas, Oscar Patino, Jennifer Pelton, Jacob Pritchard, Seth Salazar, Shante Shepard, Brandy Sims, Kisha Stemberge, Jodie Strength, Jon Turney, Kelly Voss, Christyal Weverka and Michael Guthrie

Fifth Grade: Heather Bradley, Stephen Donham, Jenna Hensley, Crystal Isbell, Chris Kershner, Bo Morgan, Sarah Powell, Billy Spiers, Tristan Tomme, Jamie Wade, Jala Rankin, Erwin Loyd, Shala Guthrie, Shyler Farley and Logan Brown

Sixth Grade Mrs. Jones: Ignacio Guerrero, Michael Padilla and Konnie Weaver

Sixth Grade Mrs. Neff: Mary Christian, Brian Coyle, Tabatha Franke, Bobby Hale,

Michael Holbrook, Latashua Lewis, Christyal Pelton, Jessica Powell, Buffy Martin, Bennie Bible and Davia Rankin.

SA Elementary Honor Roll And Ribbon Awards Released

Dean Bass, principal of Santa Anna Elementary has released the fourth six weeks honor roll. Students on the list were:

- A Honor Roll:**
Fifth Grade: Jenna Hensley
Sixth Grade: Jessica Powell and Jaci Kuykendall
- B Honor Roll:**
Fourth Grade: Alicia Ellis, Nathan Nicholas, Oscar Patino, Heather Sims, Kisha Stemberge and Jon Turney
Fifth Grade: Heather Bradley, Logan Brown, Daena Castillo, Stephen Donham, Crystal Isbell, Chris Kershner, Sabrina Martin, Sarah Powell and Tristan Tomme
Sixth Grade: Jaci Kuykendall, Tosha Lewis, Buffy Martin, Matthew Messer and Chrystal Pelton

The following students received ribbons in the designated colors for passing the six weeks:

- Blue:**
Fifth Grade: Jenna Hensley
Sixth Grade: Jessica Powell and Jaci Kuykendall
- Red:**
Fourth Grade: Alicia Ellis, Nathan Nicholas, Oscar Patino, Heather Sims, Kisha Stemberge and Jon Turney
Fifth Grade: Heather Bradley, Logan Brown, Daena Castillo, Stephen Donham, Crystal Isbell, Chris Kershner, Sabrina Martin, Sarah Powell and Tristan Tomme
Sixth Grade: Jaci Kuykendall, Tosha Lewis, Buffy Martin, Matthew Messer and Chrystal Pelton
- White:**
Fourth Grade: Lupe Frausto, Julie Garza, Willie Gilbreath, Michael Guthrie, Gary Hale, Lisa Hornback, Thomas Malaer, Billie McKenzie, Jennifer Pelton, Jacob Pritchard, Seth Salazar, Shante Shepard, Brandy Sims, Kelly Voss and Christyal Weverka

Little Dribblers Fifth-Sixth Grade Tournament Underway

The fifth and sixth grade divisions of the Coleman County Little Dribblers Association are ending their season with a tournament being held this week. The tournament will decide first, second and third and consolation in each division. Tournament play began on Monday, February 27 and ends of Saturday, March 11.

Also on March 11, a drawing for \$100 worth of groceries will be held. Home Video Outlet has donated two-\$10 gift certificates to be awarded to the two Little Dribblers collecting the most donations for the groceries.

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Fishing Lake Ivie

By Durwood Strickland

Bass fishing continues to be mostly fair, but some good catches reported, a few limits now and then. Most keeper black bass are being taken in main lake deeper water (20-30 feet) on worms and jigging spoons. Smaller blacks are being caught along shorelines, using crank baits and spinner baits.

Smallmouth bass are being located in the rocky areas, ridges and main lake about 20-30 feet deep. Best bait there seems to be plastic worms, spoons and jigs.

We can say about the same for crappie with fishing fair, some days pretty good. Look for them in the main lake, brushy areas, upper end and Colorado River. Minnows and jigs fished along the shorelines up river have produced some fair to good stringers. Night fishing under lights has been pretty fair.

Both yellow cat and blues have been a little slow but a few good ones being caught on trotlines in the rivers!

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Sixth Grade: Elena Balderas, Bennie Bible, Erica Comancho, Melissa Daniel, Tabatha Franke, Ignacio Guerrero, Bobby Hale, Laniece Hastings, Casey Herring, Tyson Johnson, Maegan Lishka, Moses Mata, Davia Rankin, Eliza Sikes, Lisa Watson, Konnie Weaver and Austin Voss.

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Rockwood News

By Sandra Wilson

We had some very nice rain this past week. There were reports of from one and half inch to as much as three inches. Everyone seems well pleased with their showers.

Mr. and Mrs. Larry Rutherford, Bob Rutherford, Gay Abernathy, Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Hafner, Jennifer Rutherford, grandchildren and great-grandchildren hosted Claudia Rutherford a seventy-fifth birthday party at the Rockwood Community Center, Feb. 25, 1994. A gathering of over fifty family and friends helped Claudia to celebrate. "Happy Birthday, Claudia, we hope you celebrate many more."

Minnie Bray was in Coleman Saturday for a birthday lunch for her granddaughter Lucy Gregg. Others joining John, Frankie and Lucy for lunch were Lucy's other grandparents, John and Billie Gregg. Saturday afternoon Minnie attended Claudia's birthday party. Monday Minnie, Lois Bryan and Skeeta Cooper finished the quilt at the community center. "I think they give a little rebel rouse when they finish one."

Jr. and Nell Brusenhan hosted Bible study Wednesday night. Bro. Jeff, Loma and Sara Dean, Minnie Bray and Blake Williams attended. Thursday afternoon Nell quilted a little while at the community center. Sunday they were in Brady at Simpson Lake visiting with Mr. and Mrs. Bailey Hull, Gretta Parris and Freddie Poik and their guest, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Underwood of Navasota and Mrs. Underwood's daughter and granddaughter of Dallas.

Visiting with Elec and Rose Cooper Sunday were Denny and Louise Densman.

Last Monday Darla and Hunter Wise and Hettie Scarbrough were in

San Angelo for a doctors appointment. Thursday and Friday Darla substituted at Panther Creek. Friday evening Hank, Darla, Hunter and Hayden and Faye Wise were in Brownwood. They ate out and took in the carnival. Saturday evening Hank, Darla, Hunter and Hayden visited in Coleman at Janet Barker's. They visited with Darla's brothers and their families.

Blake Williams was in Coleman on Friday for business and some shopping. Saturday afternoon he attended Claudia's birthday party.

Mike and Jennifer Short of Doyle, Bill and Lois Bryan, Coleta Pearson, Vivian Steward, Joyce Mueller and Ashley Clyde visited one day during the week. Korky Wise arrived Friday and stayed until Sunday. Faye attended Claudia's birthday party. Monday Faye visited with Doug and Billie Mac Scader.

Billie Eckles has been in Santa Anna this past week and she and Claudia Rutherford have visited back and forth. Jennifer Rutherford, Denise Rutherford, Bob, Margot and Megan Rutherford spent the weekend with Claudia. Drop-in visitor was Gay Abernathy. They all helped Claudia celebrate her birthday Saturday afternoon.

Thursday Burgess and Gayle Stewardson visited with Raymond Ellis at the nursing home in San Saba. Gayle said he is doing a little better.

Aubrey French of Abilene visited Tuesday with Dick and Johnnie Deal. Wednesday Dick and Johnnie visited with Norene Winstead. Thursday afternoon and Saturday afternoon John Richard Deal visited with his parents. Alene Rutherford visited with them Monday after-

noon. Ralph and Betty Langston of Odessa visited with Johnnie Steward Wednesday morning. Visitors during the weekend with Johnnie were Olin and Ethel Horton, Emily Rose, Mike, Jamie, Casey and Lauren Ray. Drop-in visitors during the week were Bo Wilson, Tony Rehm and Curtis Bryan.

Tuesday night Ralph and Betty Langston, Jack and Skeeta Cooper played dominoes with Bill and Lois Bryan. Thursday Royce and Wanda McIver visited with Bill and Lois. Bill and Lois attended Claudia's birthday party Saturday afternoon.

Wednesday Vivian Steward, Faye Wise, Coleta Pearson and Joyce Mueller were in Abilene for a shopping trip. Vivian and Coleta attended Claudia's birthday party Saturday afternoon.

Visiting with Frankie, Becky and I Wednesday night were Darlene McElrath, Charlie Smith and Frances McAlister. Bo got in early Friday morning. Overnight guests with us Friday night were Delores and Sonya Fenton, Emily Taylor and Darlene McElrath. Fredna Horton stopped by for a minute Saturday afternoon. Delores, Sonya, Emily and I were in Coleman Saturday afternoon for a baby shower honoring Miranda Daniell Siller. Saturday Frankie and Becky were in San Angelo. Sunday Frankie, Becky, Emily and I were in Coleman for a wedding shower honoring Sonya Fenton, bride-elect of Tom Eppler. Delores, Sonya and Emily returned home Sunday afternoon following the shower.

The best way to start a day is to think on awakening of at least one person to give pleasure to.
—Friedrich Nietzsche

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Capitol Comments
by **BOB TURNER**
State Representative - District 73



I am also working on legislation that will enable rural volunteer fire departments to purchase affordable liability insurance and provide certain exemptions from liability claims, such as incorporated cities currently have. I am also filing leg-

islation for the Texas Department of Agriculture, concerning revision of their pesticide/herbicide regulations that would bring them up to date and in compliance with Federal laws and rules.

We either have Senate sponsors for our bills or have assisted the participating Senator to file a companion Bill I (which is identical to our own in the House) to be sure the issue doesn't become lost in the committee functions, either in the House or Senate.

Each of these bills first have to be drafted by the Legislative Council attorneys, then filed by myself with the Chief Clerk, then they are referred to the appropriate House Committee. We then have to request a hearing on each individual bill and sell the committee on the merits of each bill, where they decide either to kill the bill, or pass it on to the Calendar Committee, to enable it to be heard by the full House of Representatives. This seems difficult enough, however, it's only half of the story. The bill then is sent to the Senate Committee, where the same repeat action to those in the House occur. If the full Senate ultimately approves the bill, it then must be signed by the Governor to become law. The major problems can arise when the Senate changes the bill, such as amendments, after which it then has to be re-approved by the House, or a joint committee of both House and Senate members.

This should make it clear that the best idea in the world is only campaign rhetoric unless you are personally capable of selling a majority of both House and Senate members on your idea to the extent they will vote for the bill, and even then, the Governor's got to sign it so his approval is vital. Please come to Austin, we will arrange a tour for you or you can call the Visitors Center on your own. This is a tour well worth doing. Come see us. We can be reached in Austin at (512) 463-0644 and in Coleman at (915) 625-3596.

As you can see the list is quite lengthy, and these are only some of the bills I have filed. There are a number of bills that deal with local issues, such as Water Districts, Hotel Occupancy Tax Authority and such issues.

It is at least something to know that one is thrown on one's own resources. One learns then to use them properly.

—Sigmund Freud

Ranger Park News

By Dorothy York



On February 1, Stephanie Starr became the administrator at Ranger Park Inn. Her primary goal is to continue the finest quality of care for our residents.

Stephanie, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Nathan Starr of Santa Anna, is well known by our residents and also the people of our community.

She is very active in her church and in the past was a volunteer at Ranger Park. She is also very active in the community and is going to assist with Meals on Wheels.

Stephanie is working very closely with our owner on some new long range plans for the facility.

All of our residents know her, and look forward to her daily visits with them. She also talks with staff to get their suggestions and comments on the daily happenings at our facility.

Stephanie follows the rule that it takes team work to accomplish the goals she has in mind and to give the best quality individual care to each resident.

We all look forward to working very closely with her.

Many thanks to Mrs. Frank Gray for the television donated to our facility. It will certainly be enjoyed by our residents.

Several Santa Anna Names On Unclaimed Property List

Several Santa Anna names are listed in the 1993 Unclaimed Property List. To be included in the list a person must have at least \$50.00 which has not been claimed as a security deposit, checking or savings account or oil royalty or such.

If you name is listed on this list or the name of someone you know, the number to call is 1-800-654-3463 to learn more about your unclaimed property.

Persons from Santa Anna listed are Gary Arp, Rocanna Barton, Ronald Beres, Thomas Brown, Thomas Brown, W. H. Carlton, Jesse Cozart, S. D. Fellers, Jim Fryer, Ed Hargrove, Henderson Texaco Station, Lee Leatherman, Pilar Macanes, Velma Lee Mosley, Bob Rogers, Loyd Shelton, Elmer B. Thomas and Linda Wilson.

Special Olympics To Practice At Hufford Field

Area 14 of Special Olympics has been set for April 1 at Gordon Wood Stadium in Brownwood. Coleman County participants will practice at Hufford Field in Coleman beginning at 1:30 this Saturday, March 3rd and succeeding Saturdays.

Those having questions many contact Sharon Roberts at A&S Small Engine Repair, 511 E. Walnut, Coleman. Mrs. Roberts can also use some volunteer help. If you can help, just show up at the field at 1:30 Saturday.

It is often said that among the last things citizens need are more laws by either State or Federal Government. I think in most instances that this is the case. However, from time to time we discover areas of state government and supervision of state agencies that require change or clarification. I would like to provide a list of the different bills and pieces of legislation that I am sponsoring during this 74th session of the Texas Legislature. I want you to know what I am doing in the way of representing you and your concerns in state government. It is amazing how little communication there usually is about what is really going on in government at all levels.

I will first list and briefly identify the bills that I am the sole author on, followed by a list that I have co-authored with other members who share my philosophy, as well as yours, I believe.

House Concurrent Resolution #65 - This resolution asks the US Congress to revamp the Endangered Species Act using input from the states to provide the cost effectiveness, intent of the law and to protect private property ownership rights.

House Bill 144 - This will provide a method of road tax refunds for persons who purchase an annual Tax Permit Decal and operate vehicles on LP Gas, but also use gasoline as a portion of their mileage, for which they must pay road tax at the pump (which constitutes paying the tax for that portion of their miles traveled twice).

House Bill 145 - This doubles penalties for those who commit theft against the elderly (A change to the Penal Code to allow this).

House Bill 183 - This provides a method of dealing with the problem of calling ineligible jurors since we now use the list of licensed drivers - not voter registration - to get jurors

(Counties are paying for a number of persons to report for each jury call who are really ineligible).

House Bill 723 - Creates a mechanism to allow your elected legislators and the Governor to review proposed regulations by state agencies, and when necessary prohibit those rules from taking effect when they are found to be against the Legislature's intent and the public's best interests.

House Bill 957 - This would provide a mechanism of holding persons or media accountable to agriculture producers if false claims or accusations are made as to food safety, without scientific proof. (The Washington State apple scare several years bankrupted a number of apple producers, when there was no scientific evidence).

House Bill 396 - This provides a means of prohibiting government agencies from the use of condemnation for the sole purpose of mitigation - this is primarily of concern in enforcement of Endangered Species habitat and Wetland area concerns.

House Bill 390 - Places a moratorium on land acquisition by Texas Parks and Wildlife Department - until certain operational levels and requirements are met on their already existing parks and historic site locations.

House Bill 560 - Removes the special property tax exemption that the Nature Conservancy has - would place Nature Conservancy in the same tax exemption status as all other Non Profit (501C3) groups or organizations. (I am joint author with Rep. Susan Combs, Rep. Jerry Yost and Rep. Warren Chisum).

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