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Sports Awards



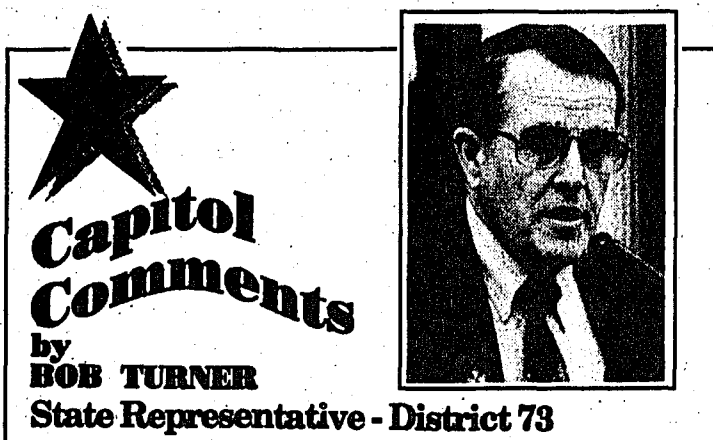
Girls receiving honors for individual sports during the recent All-Sports Banquet were, from the left: Brandi Martin, track; Briana Horner, volleyball and tennis; and Bertha Frausto, basketball. Not pictured is Ami Beal, who also received a tennis award.

News staff photo



Boys receiving honors for individual sports during the banquet were, from the left: Chris Cheaney, golf; Clifton Blaine, football; Otis Woods, track; Tim Abernathy, basketball, William Loyd, tennis and Josh Daniel, tennis.

News staff photo



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

EDITOR'S NOTE: Although this column arrived too late to use prior to the Memorial Day observance, it is still very meaningful and in keeping with the actual Memorial Day of May 31st.

We live in a country where we have the freedom to express ourselves—even to criticize our elected officials without fear of retribution. We can travel freely from place to place. If we have the initiative and the drive to earn it, we have the right to own property and to manage it for personal gain. We can own personal firearms if we choose. We even have the freedom to take risks, to fail and when everything is

right, to enjoy success. Ask any small business owner.

America is still the land of opportunity, which is why immigrants risk their lives to come here. They are driven by the same desire for freedom that drove our forefathers to cross the ocean and form this nation. The love of freedom and the appreciation for those who came before us has inspired many a soldier to put his life on the line.

Yet I fear many of us take too much for granted. I fear that too many of us see America not as a land of opportunity but as a land of guarantees when nothing could be

Roddy Dean To Serve As School Board President

The Santa Anna I.S.D. Board of Trustees met in their regular monthly meeting on Tuesday, May 14, 1996.

Minutes of the previous meetings of April 9 and May 7 were approved as written.

The payment for the bills for May 1996 was approved.
Business Manager Judy Hartman

further from the truth. There are no guarantees and freedom is not free. So long as remain free, however, there is always opportunity and hope.

Sadly, too few Americans understand the responsibility which comes with freedom. What seems to be missing is any sense of personal obligation to help keep our precious freedoms intact. The role of the military is critical, but sol-

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Council Addresses Operating Guidelines; No Smoking In City Offices

The Santa Anna City Council met in a called meeting on Wednesday, May 22. Present were Mayor Danny Kellar and council members Bobby Morgan, Jim Spillman, Robert Noriega and Karen Morris. City employees attending the meeting were Carlos Torres, Tommy Jackson, Alys Pelton, Tommy Davis, Thomas Watson, Thelma Beloat, Barbara Kingsbery, Dan Benton, Doug Watson, Randy DeLeon and Rusty Wells.

The meeting was an informal meeting with open discussions between the council and employees. Councilman Noriega addressed spending, attitudes, office procedures, cooperation and confidentiality. Other topics discussed and to be implemented as soon as possible

were work orders, time sheets, monthly reports, vehicle reports, basic print out of work orders and expenditures, inventory of parts in stock, issuance of tools, employment procedures, bank signatories and no smoking in city hall and adjoining offices.

Municipal Court Moves Into City Hall Office

Santa Anna Municipal Court has been moved to a new location. It is now located in City Hall directly behind the office of Police Chief Carlos Torres.

In order to consolidate the City agencies, the site was changed from

the front office in the City Warehouse building on Wallis Avenue where it was located for a number of years.

The Court hours continue to be from 8:30 to 12 noon each Tuesday and Thursday.



Briana Horner Receives John Philip Sousa Band Award

Santa Anna High School Junior Briana Horner received the John Philip Sousa Band Award during the recent band concert.

Horner is the daughter of Dickie and Gail Horner.

Other awards presented were:
Outstanding Musician Award: Melonie Smith Lemond, 12th; Briana Horner, 11th; Rene Guerrero and Beth Eisenhower, 10th; Marie Ellebe and Chris Powell, 9th; and Samantha Ramirez, junior high.

Most Improved Musician: Samantha Ramirez.
Service/Appreciation Awards: Bennie Bible, Rachael Guerrero, Juliette van der Velde and Kate White.

Elementary band awards were presented to:
Mountaineer Pride Award: Jenna Hensley, 6th; Sabrina Martin, 6th; Heather Sims, 5th; Alicia Ellis, 5th; and Jamie Ellebe, 5th.

Most Improve Musician: Sabrina Martin, 6th; and Jon Turney, 5th.

Section of the Year: 5th grade band: Saxophones: Sarah Frausto, Willie Gilbreath, Seth Salazar and Kelly Voss.

Softball Tourney Here Fri - Sat

Santa Anna Community Services (baseball program) is sponsoring a men's softball tournament here starting about 8:00 p.m. Friday evening. Games will be scheduled throughout the day on Saturday, concluding late that evening. Approximately 15 teams are expected to participate in the

tournament. The concession stand will be open providing soft drinks and snacks.

Everyone is encouraged to come out and support this effort by the local group to raise funds for the Little League program in Santa Anna.

Plans Proceeding For City-Wide Garage Sale

Plans are proceeding for the City-Wide Garage Sale on Saturday, June 8, sponsored by the Santa Anna Chamber of Commerce.

The Santa Anna Chamber of Commerce will sponsor a City-Wide Garage Sale on June 8.

The Chamber will list any garage sale in town or the immediate area for a set fee of \$3.00. These sales will be advertised in several local and area papers, on area radio stations and television stations.

Your garage sale location can have area wide publicity for about

what you would pay for one personal ad.

The Chamber will hand out lists and city maps to people who stop by the office on Saturday morning. It is hoped that this garage sale will attract people from the area to Santa Anna.

Take advantage of this chance to sell off all your odds and ends that you can't seem to find a place to store.

To get your name and address on the listing, come by the Chamber Office before May 31 or call 915-348-3535 for more information.



Boosters of the Year

Donald and Janet Strickland were presented a plaque of appreciation by Coach Debbie Bacon at the recent All-Sports Banquet after being named "Boosters of the Year".

Staff Photo

vice center could come here and conduct the necessary training.

The revised school calendar for the 1996-1997 school year was approved.

The policy manual was updated pertaining to promotions, gradua-

tions, end of course tests and number of credits required for graduations.

Bass reported that the district has received \$2,766.86 from the permanent school fund; enrollment re-

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Santa Anna — A Town Of Friendly People

Saying "Hello" to
Mr. & Mrs. Wayne Horton of Houston

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Trickham Tidbits

By Anna York

Mr. and Mrs. Cory Hodges of Flower Mound and Mr. and Mrs. Frank Hodges visited on Thursday with Royce and Wanda McIver, and the past weekend Britt McIver and family of Buffalo Gap were visitors with his parents.

Novella Stearns was a Sunday afternoon visitor with Mrs. Winnie Haynes.

Candice Henderson of Coleman spent Saturday afternoon visiting her grandmother Leona Henderson.

Mrs. Florence Stearns visited on Monday night with her daughter Alice Wells in Coleman and attended the band concert at the Coleman High School.

Robert and Linda Meckfessel and Sara of Garfield, Kansas arrived at the home of Linda's parents Mr. and Mrs. Talmadge McClatchy on Saturday, and will be spending a few days with them and other relatives. Sunday dinner guests with the McClatchy and Meckfessels were Merrilee McClatchy, Bob Anderson, Lara Meckfessel and Mrs. Gertrude Martin. Sara took Mrs. Martin back to her home later and visited a while.

Earlene Dockery babysat with her little grandson Mason Guthrie at Bangs on Friday. Sunday evening visitors in the Dockery home were Tonya Anderson and girls, Catrina, Lexie and Harlie of Santa Anna.

Mrs. Edna Laughlin spent Sunday in Brownwood visiting with Billy Roy and Mildred Laughlin. Other guests were Tessica Martin, Billy Lee and children Susan and Clifton, Charlotte Laughlin, Brian and Tracy

Campbell and Laylum and Darla Kay Barnum and family.

William Lowry of Bangs spent Sunday visiting with Windham Dean in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ray Dean.

Natalie McIver and Marilyn Kerr attended a Woman's Club meeting at the Brownwood Country Club on Tuesday. Sherrie Blake and Megan visited in the McIver home on Thursday. Helen and Terry McIver and Ben visited Saturday evening. Sunday evening Jim and Sherrie Blake and Megan and Natalie and Rankin McIver ate dinner at a Brownwood restaurant, Rankin was celebrating a birthday.

There were five ladies that met on Monday at the community center and started on a quilt for Sherrie Blake. Present were Novella Stearns, Helen McIver, Annie Lou Vaughn, Leona Henderson and Tony Watson.

There were eighteen that attended the eighty-four club party on Thursday night.

Mary Lea Mitchell on Tuesday with Mrs. Annie Lou Vaughn, and John and Earlene Dockery were dinner guests with her on Sunday.

A Good Time Had By All At Supper

Contributed

Lots of good food, visiting, eating and bingo was had at Rockwood Community Center last Saturday night. Although there were just 21 present, a good time was had by all. Our cooks are some of the best you will find anywhere, and you miss something by not coming.

Out of town folks were Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Rutherford of Whon; Mr. and Mrs. Arlen Allen; Mr. and Mrs. Gil Gregory, Justin and Jordan, all of Temple.

Homefolks were Mr. and Mrs. Jack Cooper; Mr. and Mrs. Bill Bryan; Mr. and Mrs. Roland Duus and Robert; Blake Williams; Vivian Steward; Minnie Bray; Johnnie Steward; and Mr. and Mrs. Jr. Brusenhan.

Our family night next month will be on the 15th of June, so mark it on your calendar. Hope to see you there.

Social Security Representative To Be In Coleman

A representative of the Brownwood Social Security office will be at the courthouse in Coleman on Wednesday, June 5 beginning at 9 a.m.

Baird Trade Days Set For June 1

Baird's 23rd annual Trade's Festival will be held on Saturday, June 1.

A full day of activities and entertainment have been planned by the Chamber of Commerce.

Highlights of the day will be arts and crafts, quilt show, antiques, live entertainment, bar-b-q lunch, kids corner, children's train rides, ranch rodeo and street dance.

Activities will begin at 10 a.m.

Santa Anna Nutrition Center Menu

FRIDAY, MAY 31

Beef enchiladas, refried beans, tossed salad, spanish rice and fruit cobbler

'Round & About

Pete and Winnie Rutherford visited part of last week at Grape Creek with Joe and Ann Rutherford, and girls. They attended granddaughter Shanna's graduation from Lake View High School.

David and Betty Key spent Mother's Day weekend in Snyder with their daughter and her family, Gary and Linda Miller, Alesha, Jeremy and Michelle. On Saturday, Gary's parents and brother joined them for a cookout in honor of Linda's birthday (May 3); Mother's Day (May 12); David's birthday (May 19); and Gary's birthday (May 25).

They returned home on Tuesday. On Friday David's sister Irene McMillin from Lake Dallas arrived for a week's visit.

Visiting during the Memorial Day weekend with Dale and Carol Herring and Casey Wade were Derek Little of Brownwood.

Saturday afternoon visitors with the Tom Kingsberys were Ann Priddy Vercher and a friend, Art Tave, from Fort Worth, and Ann's granddaughter, Amy Vercher of Cedar Park. The three were with her sons and family for a holiday outing at the Vercher farm in the Shields community. Also with the group were Ed and Martha (Priddy) Floyd and grandson of Snyder.

Check It Out

By Alice Anna Spillman

Some of the programs on TV and one radio show I heard were real reminders of the reason for the past holiday. Jim and I always remember my Uncle John Guthrie and the one and only Yankee Civil War Soldier in the Santa Anna Cemetery. There are so many veterans who never receive a flag. Their folks are long gone from here. We all need to plan a way so that will not happen next year.

The library has a good selection of books about the wars that America has fought. Reading just one might be a good way to honor our veterans.

Books arrived from Abilene. Some of the most interesting were these: *The Killing of Katie Steelstock* Michael Gilbert. An English girl from a small village made it big on TV. She came home for a visit and was killed.

Investigation finds corruption at home and in the TV industry. *Straight Dick* Frances. Someone checked this out before I got the story. This is one of the horse racing mysteries you like. *The New Frontier* Joe R. Lansdale. The best of today's writers not the old favorites except a "last" piece by Max Brand. 19 short western stories. *Sundown* Jim Ernest Haycox. Marshal Jim Majors come to cleanup. That means draw first and keep shooting. *The French Key* Frank Gruber. A soft key broken off in a hotel room door keeps overdue guests from entering but who murdered the man in the bed? *Skinney Island* Louis Auchincloss. Here are 12 tales

about the lives of people who live, work, and die in New York. *Making Wreaths* Barbara R. Rodgers. This book was published in 1991 and gives current information. Instructions are given for each wreath pictured. Have you ever seen a living, growing wreath for the door? *Small Blessings* Celestine Sibley. On the order of the *Chic'n Soup* books. This book gives stories of ways to be thankful even for weeds.

If your child was 4 years old through 5th grade, they are invited to the Summer Reading Club. Even 6th grade boys and girls could come. Drop by the library for more information. Watch this newspaper and listen to the radio for more.

Trickham Cemetery Memorials

The Trickham Cemetery Association has received the following memorials:

In memory of Goldie Haynes from Wallace and Jeanette Perment;

In memory of the E. S. Haynes family from Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Haynes;

In memory of Tavy Ford from Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Haynes;

In memory of Bob Row from Elvis and Reba Cozart; and

In memory of Vince Calcote from Elvis and Reba Cozart and Louise Goethals.

The Santa Anna Cemetery Association has received a memorial in memory of William Lee and Merle Kingsbery from Claride Mayo.

Santa Anna Cemetery Memorial

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Obituaries

James L. McMillian

COMANCHE--Services for James "Jack" L. McMillian, 64, of Comanche were held at 10 a.m. Saturday, May 25, 1996, at Hall & Sons Funeral Home. Burial followed in the Sardis Cemetery in Hasse.

He died at 12:30 p.m. Wednesday, May 22, 1996 in the VA Hospital in Temple.

Born April 19, 1932, in Dublin, he was the son of Inez Little McMillian and the late Ed McMillian. He had lived in the Comanche area for most of his life and moved to Comanche in 1978. He was a pecan processor and was employed by Pecan Valley Nut Company for 15 years and Swift Company in Brownwood for 13 years. He was a Korean War Army veteran, a Baptist and attended the Hasse Baptist Church.

He married Anita Jo Stark Stratton on April 22, 1983.

Survivors include his wife; his mother; two sons, Ed McMillian and Dwight McMillian, both of Brownwood; four stepsons, Gary Stratton of Blanco, Kenneth Stratton and Harold Stratton, both of Moody, and Ricky Stratton of Comanche; two daughters, Sue Slaughter and Donna Tomme, both of Santa Anna; one stepdaughter, Lisa Lively of Hamilton; one sister, Faye Fletcher of Brownwood; 19 grandchildren.

Duane Griffin

N. D. (Duane) Griffin, 73, of San Angelo (formerly of Santa Anna) died Saturday, May 18, 1996 at his home.

Services were held at 2 p.m. Tuesday, May 21, 1996 in Johnson's Funeral Home Chapel with Dr. Chris Seidlitz of Belmore Baptist Church officiating. Burial, with military honors, followed in Lawnhaven Memorial Gardens.

He was born April 14, 1923, in Santa Anna. He married Betty Jo Johnson on April 13, 1945 in San Angelo.

He was a U. S. Army veteran of World War II and the Korean War. He was a member of the Belmore Baptist Church and was a retired automotive machinist.

Survivors include his wife; one daughter, Donna Jeanne Griffin of San Angelo; one son, Jerry Wayne Griffin and friend, Debbie Fenley of San Angelo; six sisters, Margie Duncan of Coleman, Genevieve Miller, Edna Ruth Skinner and Lois Ferrell, all of Killeen, Wanda Franklin of Austin, and Dixie Griffin of Riverside, Calif; one brother, Gene Ray Griffin of Killeen; one grandson; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Dolores Sanchez

COLEMAN--Funeral mass for Dolores Sanchez, 89, of Coleman were held at 10 a.m., Monday, May 27, 1996 at Sacred Heart Catholic Church with Father Lawrence Cyr officiating. Burial followed at Coleman Cemetery under the direction of Stevens Funeral Home.

She died Saturday, May 25, 1996 at Holiday Hill Nursing Home.

She was born June 21, 1915, in New Berlin, Texas, the daughter of the late Ignacio Torres and Francisca Urias Torres. She was a longtime resident of Coleman. She was married to Dionicio Sanchez of March 12, 1932 in Coleman; he preceded her in death on June 24, 1982. She was a homemaker and a member of Sacred Heart Catholic Church, the Guadalupe Society and Crusillista.

Survivors include four daughters, Mary DeLeon of Santa Anna, Aurelia Rosales, Linda Nunez and Dolores Mendoza, all of Coleman; three sons, Victor Sanchez, Alfonso Sanchez and Rudy Sanchez, all of Coleman; one brother, Arturo Torres of San Angelo; 25 grandchildren; and 17 great-grandchildren.

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COW POKES

By Ace Reid



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405 South 1st Mike Efrid - Pastor Sunday School - 10:00 Worship Service - 11:00 Youth Group - Wed. 3:30 (program 5:00)

FIRST BAPTIST

106 S. Lee Raymond Jones - Interim Pastor Sunday School - 9:30 Worship Service - 10:45 Sunday Evening - 6:00 Mission Organizations - 6:00 Wed. All Age Groups Bible Study 6:00 Wed.

NORTHSIDE BAPTIST

708 AVE. B Marvin Hale - Pastor Sunday School - 9:45 Worship Service - 10:50 Sunday Evening - 6:00 Wed. Prayer Service - 6:30

CORDERO BAPTIST

Ave. C & South 6th Joe M. Frausto - Pastor Sunday School - 9:45 Worship Service - 11:00 Sun. Evening Worship - 5:00 Wednesday Bible Study - 6:30

ST WILLOW BAPTIST

Brady Hwy. R.L. Brown - Pastor Sunday Worship - 11:00

NEW HOPE COMMUNITY

Brady Hwy. D.C. Neal - Pastor (Contact Mrs. Joe (Pearl) Wilson)

FIRST CHRISTIAN

Ave C & 1st Street Clyde Majors - Pastor Sunday School - 9:45 every Sun. Worship Services - 3rd. Sun.

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN

1001 Willis Dr. Richard Wood - Pastor Sunday School - 9:45 Worship Service - 11:00 Family Night Dinner - 3rd Wed. Fellowship Dinner Each 5th Sun.

CHURCH OF CHRIST

310 Ave. B Aaron Lemond - Minister Sunday Bible Classes - 9:30 Worship Service - 10:30 Sunday Evening - 6:00 Wednesday Evening 6:30

SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTIST

Ranger Park Robert L. Stumph - Pastor Sat. Sabbath School - 9:30 Sabbath Worship Service - 11:00 Vespers - SDA School - 4:00 Prayer Meeting - Tues. at School

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Santa Anna News

Brandi Martin Recipient Of FCE Scholarship

By Carol Katzer
County Extension Agent
Family & Consumer Sciences
On behalf of the Coleman County Family & Community Education Scholarship Committee—Retamy Gaines, chairperson, is please to announce the recipient of the 1996 FCE Scholarship is to be awarded to Brandi Martin.
She is the daughter of Bill and Becky Martin and a graduate of the Class of 1996 at Santa Anna High School.

Starrs To Observe 30th Anniversary With Reception Sun.

Nathan and Patsy Starr will be observing their 30th wedding anniversary with a reception held in their honor on Sunday, June 2.
All friends and relatives are invited to share in the celebration from 2:00 to 4 p.m. at the Mountain City Community Center. Hosts will be the couple's children, Stephanie Starr of Santa Anna and Tammi and Robert Gutierrez Jr. of

Cleburne, and parents, Mr. and Mrs. Melvin D. Starr of Santa Anna and Mr. and Mrs. O.M. Young of Quemado.
In lieu of gifts please record on a card or piece of paper a tribute or memories of an occasion, event, etc. regarding Nathan and/or Patsy. These will be placed in a scrapbook.

Annual Bass Tourney Slated June 8 At O. H. Ivie Reservoir

The Coleman County Chamber of Commerce and Agriculture Annual Bass Tournament is set for Saturday, June 8 at O. H. Ivie Reservoir.
Those interested in fishing in the tournament are asked to contact the Chamber Office for an entry form and more information.

Jones Baby Shower Set For Saturday

A baby shower for Ray and Betsy Jones will be held Saturday, June 1st at the Methodist Church annex from 4:00 to 6:00 p.m. Ladies of the church will host the party. All friends and relatives are invited.

For more information contact Cathy Ellis.

Kerrville Site Of 50th Anniversary Celebration For Former Resident

Mr. and Mrs. Max O. Reinbach of Kerrville will be celebrating their 50th wedding anniversary on Sunday, June 9, at First Presbyterian Church in Kerrville from 2:00 to 4:00 p.m.
The party will be hosted by their family, Max and Susan Reinbach Jr., Elise and Max III and Mary Aline Reinbach. All friends and relatives are invited to attend the

reception. The church is located at 800 Jefferson Street.

Cards may be sent to 135 Plaza Drive, Apt. #1117, Kerrville, Tx 78028. (No gifts, please).

Mrs. Reinbach is remembered here as the former Aline Harper who grew up in Santa Anna and graduated from Santa Anna High School.



Scarborough To Wed Parker

Glen and Betty Scarborough of Gouldbusk and John and Karen Parker of Fisk wish to announce the engagement of their children, Amy and Hank.

Amy's grandparents are Julia Jamison of Leady and C. A. Scarborough of Gouldbusk. Mozelle Parker of Waco is Hank's grandmother.

Both are graduates of Panther Creek High School, she is 1994 and he is 1992. Amy will attend UT College of Pharmacy at Austin this fall and Hank is employed by Neal Electric in Austin.

All friends and relatives of the couple are invited to the wedding June 22, 1996, beginning 7 p.m. in the Gouldbusk Baptist Church.

John Pearce Selected County Republican Party Chairman

John Pearce of Santa Anna began serving a two-year term in late April as the new Coleman County Republican Party Chairman. Pearce, a 1965 graduate of Coleman

High School, holds a Bachelor of Science of Agriculture Education from Tarleton State University and a Masters in Agriculture Economics from Texas A&M University. He is a military veteran who served in the Operation Just Cause Panama Invasion and Operation Desert Storm.

Pearce is co-owner of Pearce Veterinary Clinic and a member of the First United Methodist Church in Santa Anna. He and his wife, Kathy, have three children. He has also been active in humanitarian projects, including establishing a school for Cuban refugees at Guantanamo Bay, Cuba in 1995. He is currently a member of the Army Reserve.

"The Texas Republican Party has grown in Texas at a record pace over the last few years because it stands tall for Texas values of limited government, greater individual freedom, and strong families. I look forward to serving Coleman County Republicans as their county chairman as we continue the effort to make the Republican Party the majority party in Texas," said Pearce.

Dear Editor

Enclosed please find my check for another year of the NEWS.

I still look forward to getting the Santa Anna News each week. Even though I have been gone so long, almost 50 years now, I enjoy reading the happenings of Santa Anna, its residents and the people of Coleman County. I love that place.

We are looking forward to returning for Homecoming this year, it will be our 50th year reunion. Most of the people, I have not seen since that eventful day in 1946.

Thank you.
Sincerely,
Thomas Wayne Horton
11014 Braewick Drive
Houston, Texas 77096

Recently President Clinton signed the bill that allows the line-item veto. Let us all offer thanksgiving as this has a possibility of saving millions of "pork barrel" dollars.

Unfortunately, a short time later Mr. Clinton vetoed the bill to ban partial-birth abortions. What irony! He made trips to Oklahoma City last year and again this year to "mourn" the loss of life in the Federal Building bombing and especially the children. However, is we can believe the statisticians, more children were killed by abortion while he was speaking, than all the people killed in the bombing in that city. Perhaps Americans do not realize just how grotesque the procedure is when this method is selected. The baby is actually in the birth canal when an instrument is inserted in the base of the brain and a powerful vacuum literally sucks the brains out of the live child. What pain! What Violence! What a horrible death! Were we to attempt to do the same on some endangered species animal we would no doubt be charge with "cruelty to animals" and at the very least be fined.

According to the Rev. Dr. Elizabeth Achtemeier, Professor at Union Theological Seminary (Presbyterian) in Richmond, Va. there have been over 34 million children forcefully removed from their mother's womb since the Roe vs Wade decision in 1973 to 1995. According to her, such noted theologians as "Luther, Calvin, Bonhoeffer, Barth and Thielicke all spoke against it." Still, Mr. Clinton supports such "choices".

Let us all be called to prayer for our president. Pray that God would remake him or remove him for the common good of all humankind, born and unborn and for the honor and glory of Christ the King!

—Jasper McClellan
Haskell, TX.

Benito Vasquez Diaz Earns Degree From Lee College

Benito Vasquez Diaz, of Santa Anna, graduated from Lee College in Huntsville, Texas, where he earned an AA in Liberal Arts.

Commencement exercises were conducted at 9:00 A.M. on Saturday, May 18, 1996.

Currently, Benito is enrolled in Sam Houston State University where he is working towards a Bachelor of Science Degree in Psychology.

Benito is the son of Victorino and Juanita Diaz of Santa Anna.

Birthdays & Anniversaries

MAY 30
Faye Mobley

MAY 31
Larry Steele
Mr&Mrs Nathan Starr*
Mr. and Mrs. Murlin Morris

JUNE 1
Jerry Cupps
Cory Halmon
Lana Harvey
Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Cupps*

JUNE 2
Thomas Hays
LaRue Morgan
Maria Castillo
Catrina DeLeon

JUNE 3
Jason Wagner
Murlin Morris
Mr&Mrs Charles Greenlee*

JUNE 4
Chris DeLeon
Glenda Taylor
Rollin Gunter
Chad Peacock
David B. Strickland

JUNE 5
Bennie Bible
Mr&Mrs Paul Martin*
James Balderas

JUNE 6
Donnie Neff
Mr. and Mrs. Ted Wristen*
Laverne Evans

Ranger Park Inn

By Dorothy York



Residents were proud to have an appreciation party for the students of the Santa Anna Seventh Day Adventist School youngsters for their outstanding participation in our Sixth Annual Senior Olympics. Robert Pearce, Mrs. Patsy Starr, teacher, Auralee Horne, Silas Horne and Asenath Horne spent the entire day assisting the residents with the competition.

This is the second year these youngsters have given their all to make all residents enjoy the day. They not only interact with the residents, they work hard seeing that the games proceed without interruption. They come early, work all during the day, and stay and help clean up. During all of this they are talking with the residents and laugh and bring joy to all.

These youngsters are a fine ex-

ample of respect for their elders, and taking hold doing what needs to be done without being told each step. We at Ranger Park want to thank Mrs. Starr, and her students for all their efforts on behalf of our residents and those visiting from other nursing homes.

This month's birthday people at Ranger Park are Elwin Jerger, Jimmie McGregor, Mae Blue and Fred Dodgen. The party was sponsored by the Presbyterian Church and the ladies helping with the party were Billie Guthrie, Cam Slagle, Lera Guthrie, Joann Allen and Novelle Boylston. Thank you all for the lovely cakes and all your help with the party. Mr. Dalton Thomas entertained the residents with his outstanding country western music. We all look forward each month to his fine music.

CDL Must Pass Pre-Trip Vehicle Inspection Test

AUSTIN--Beginning June 3, applicants for Class A or B Texas Commercial Driver Licenses will be required to pass pre-trip vehicle inspection tests.

"This is really just some fine-tuning of our CDL program," said DPS Inspector John Hall. "New applicants will be required to pass a test to make sure they can determine whether a commercial vehicle is safe to operate on the highway. It should only take about 10 min-

utes." Looking forward to being with them.

Reporting on my son Thomas and wife, Trudi's new home is come along fine. In hopes won't be too long until will be finished. They are looking forward to being in their new home. Just taking time "A Big House". We are happy for them.

What's Happening In Whon

By Mrs. Tom Rutherford

We are in hopes all have had a nice time and all doing well. Apparently all are not so happy, we have not received any rain which is needed.

Very thankful to report Mr. Rex Turney is thankful to be home and reports he is doing just pretty good. Rex was in the Abilene hospital a few days last week having surgery on neck glands. I talked with him this afternoon and he reports he is feeling pretty good. I really think his wife Tincy brought him home the past Thursday.

Neil Fitzpatrick of Lubbock and also a friend Cathy, all of Lubbock, were visiting his brother Mr. and Mrs. Don Fitzpatrick and children over the weekend.

Mr. Floyd Morris was in the Fort Worth area last week visiting his sons Joe Floyd and Jamie Lee and

family. Son Joe Floyd came home with him and was here over the weekend. He will return home Tuesday.

Mrs. Ruth Radle's son Bob Stewart of Arlington visited with her by telephone. Her daughter Mrs. Ruth Poldrack was with her on Thursday.

My daughter Patsy and her husband Mr. Bob Smith of Abilene were with me and my boys Friday and Saturday. They were assisting with some much need work around the place. Loyd and Hilary were with us during the week, also working.

Mrs. Ethel Radle is happy to be with her granddaughter Brandi and Gordon Balta of Garland. They are Mrs. Radle's daughter Ruth Poldrack and Mr. Poldrack's granddaughters. Mrs. Radle will enter-

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Santa Anna Elementary School Recognizes Students In End Of Year Awards Assembly

Santa Anna Elementary School Principal recognized students with a number of awards last Friday during the end of school awards assembly.

Awards presented were:

SIX WEEKS:

A HONOR ROLL:
First grade: Priscilla Guerrero, Trey Holt, Justin Johnson, Joshua Rivera, Jesse Roer and Michelle Wetsel

Second grade: Zane Fikes, Jessica Hensley, Harmony Herring, Daniel Hull, Logan Lacy, Jessica Pelton and Durinda Puckett

Third grade: Kayla Cloer, Amy Gibson, Jeffery Hale and Collin Stemberge

Fourth grade: Kindi Cloer and Juan Frausto

Fifth grade: Claire Gibson

Sixth grade: Jenna Hensley

B HONOR ROLL:

First grade: Crystal Camacho, Dustin DeLeon, Anuhar Garcia, Tracy Hale, Jeffery Wainscott, Dwight Hoedebeck, Audra Hubbard, Jelisa Kirven, Kimberly Lawhon and Emmanuel McCloud

Second grade: Rainey Bacon, Colt Martin, Carl Sims, Stevie Stemberge, Bianca Torres, Mayra Torres and Kathy Wheeler

Third grade: Julio Bernal, Angel DeLeon, Bryan Fellers, Ramiro Guerrero, Charles Hull, Laron McCloud, Michele Noriega, Felipe Patino, Austin Sanders, Katherine Simmons and Crystal Wetsel

Fourth grade: Mandy Boyet, Tyler Morgan and Jaryd Salazar

Fifth grade: Heather Bradley, Daena Castillo, Shawna Graves, Shala Guthrie, Crystal Isbell, Sabrina Martin, Sarah Powell and Tristan Tomme

Sixth grade: Alicia Ellis, Sarah Frausto, Jennifer Pelton, Shante Shepard, Kisha Stemberge, Johnny Stout, Jon Turney and Kelly Voss.

SEMESTER HONOR ROLL:

A HONOR ROLL:

First grade: Crystal Camacho, Priscilla Guerrero, Tracy Hale, Trey Holt, Audra Hubbard, Justin Johnson, Joshua Rivera, Jesse Roper and Michelle Wetsel

Second grade: Rainey Bacon, Jessica Hensley, Harmony Herring, Logan Lacy, Jessica Pelton, Durinda Puckett and Kathy Wheeler

Third grade: Amy Gibson, Jeffery Hale, Katherine Simmons and Collin Stemberge

Fourth grade: Juan Frausto

Fifth grade: Claire Gibson

Sixth grade: Jenna Hensley

B HONOR ROLL:

First grade: Dustin DeLeon, Anuhar Garcia, Jeffrey Helmut, Dwight Hoedebeck, Troy Johnson, Jelisa Kirven, Kimberly Lawhon, Emmanuel McCloud and Christopher Silva

Second grade: Rudy Enriquez, Zane Fikes, Daniel Hull, Vanesa Hull, Colt Martin, Martin Rodriguez, Carl Sims, Gregory Strength, Bianca Torres and Mayra Torres

Third grade: Kayla Cloer, Alexis DeLeon, Angelica DeLeon, Kayla Dombrowski, Bryan Fellers, Ramiro Guerrero, Charles Hull, Laron McCloud, Michele Noriega, Felipe Patino, James Sanders and Crystal Wetsel

Fourth grade: Mandy Boyet,

Kindi Cloer and Tyler Morgan

Fifth grade: Alicia Ellis, Jennifer Pelton, Brandy Sims, Heather Sims, Lakisha Stemberge, Johnny Stout and Jon Turney

Sixth grade: Heather Bradley, Daena Castillo, Stephen Donham, Shawna Graves, Crystal Isbell, Christopher Kershner, Sabriña Martin, Sarah Powell and Tristan Tomme

PERFECT ATTENDANCE:

SIX WEEKS:

Kindergarten: Kayla Blisard, Tyler Chamberlain, Kendra Coleman, Jonathan Evans, Becca Fellers, Austen Henson, Sierra Herrod, Terrence Jackson, Desirah Kile, Demitrus Reese, Dani Stegar and Marika Whaley

First grade: Christopher Brooks, Christine Dorris, Jimmy Grissam, Tracy Hale, Trey Holt, Audra Hubbard, Justin Johnson, Troy Johnson, Jelisa Kirven, Josh Rivera, Jesse Roper and Michelle Wetsel

Second grade: Abraham Dancy, Zane Fikes, Robby Hale, Jessica Hensley, Harmony Herring, Daniel Hull, Vanesa Hull, Marcus Lacy, Jessica Pelton, Martin Rodriguez, Carl Sims, Stevie Stemberge, Gregory Strength, Bianca Torres and Mayra Torres.

Third grade: Hannah Collins, Bryan Fellers, Amy Gibson, Ramiro Guerrero, Jeffery Hale, Laron McCloud, LaShawn McDowell, Jeramy McGee, Michele Noriega, Felipe Patino, Micah Pritchard, Richard Rankin, Katherine Simmons, Collin Stemberge, Matthew Vasquez and Crystal Wetsel

Fourth grade: Mandy Boyet, Zackery Carter, Kindi Cloer, Juan Frausto, Krystle Henson, Tyler Morgan and Stacie Rankin

Fifth grade: Jamie Ellerbe, Alicia Ellis, Sarah Frausto, Julie Garza, Claire Gibson, Michael Guthrie, Gary Hale, Nathan Nicholas, Oscar Patino, Jennifer Pelton, Jacob Pritchard, Seth Salazar, Shante Shepard, Brandy Sims, Billy Spire, Kisha Stemberge, Johnny Stout, Jodie Strength, Jon Turney and Kelly Voss

Sixth grade: Shyler Farley, Shala Guthrie, Jenna Hensley, Thomas Hopson, Bobby Hull, Crystal Isbell, Erwin Loyd, Bo Morgan, Tina Morris, Sarah Powell, Jala Rankin, Tristan Tomme and Jamie Wade

Pre-K: Edmundo Dancy, Shelly Kile, Jeffery Rivera, Michael Robertson, Anthony Shepard and Jordon Whaley

Sharon Cheaney's fifth grade class received the attendance trophy for the six weeks.

SEMESTER:

Kindergarten: Danyce Stegar
First grade: Robby Hale, Harmony Herring, Jessica Pelton, Stevie Stemberge, Bianca Torres and Mayra Torres

Second grade: Kayla Cloer, Ramiro Guerrero, Jeffery Hale, Felipe Patino, Katherine Simmons and Collin Stemberge

Fifth grade: Thomas Beloit, Jamie Ellerbe, Michael Guthrie, Oscar Patino, Billy Spire, Jon Turney and Kelly Voss

Sixth grade: Shyler Farley,

Jenna Hensley, Crystal Isbell, Erwin Loyd, Justina Morris, Sarah Powell and Tristan Tomme, Bo Morgan and Jamie Wade

Pre-K: Jordan Whaley

MOUNTAINEER MOVERS AWARD:

Pre-K: Shelly Kile
Kindergarten: Becca Fellers, Jordan Smiley and Dani Stegar

First grade: Chris Warrick, Priscilla Guerrero, Trey Holt, Michele Wetsel, Christine Dorris, Dwight Hoedebeck and Anuhar Garcia

Second grade: Rainey Bacon, Zane Fikes, Vanesa Hull, Jessica Pelton, Raelce Watson, Jessica Hensley, Daniel Hull, Durinda Puckett and Logan Lacy

Third grade: Hannah Collins, Jeffery Hale, Michelle Noriega, Amy Gibson, Tana Salazar, Angel DeLeon and Phillip Patino

Fourth grade: Christina Enriquez, John Frausto, Rosemary Gonzalez and Krystle Henson

Fifth grade: Jamie Ellerbe, Alicia Ellis, Sarah Frausto, Claire Gibson, Oscar Patino, Johnny Stout, Lupe Frausto, Frankie Hull, Jacob Pritchard, Jennifer Pelton, and Kelly Voss.

Sixth grade: Daena Castillo, Shala Guthrie, Jenna Hensley, Chrystal Isbell, Chris Kershner, Sabrina Martin, Erwin Loyd, Sarah Powell and Tristan Tomme.

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High School And Junior High End Of School Awards Presented

Santa Anna High School principal Sam Huffman presented a number of awards to students during the end of school assembly held on Monday afternoon, May 20. The following awards were presented:

Perfect Attendance:

9th: Maria Ellerbe and Jeremy Tomme;
10th: Aaron Guthrie and Marty Siller

11th: Chris Cheaney and Rachael Guerrero;

12th: Cecil Ramirez

Gold Card, Honor Roll (Entire Year):

7th: Jaci Kuykendall and Chrystal Pelton

9th: Maria Ellerbe, Jennifer Johnson, Delisa Nicholas, Randa Watts and Rhonda Williamson

10th: Beth Eisenhower

11th: Ami Beal and Briana Homer

12th: Melonie Smith Lemond and Brandi Martin

Departmental Awards:

English: Melonie Smith Lemond
Mathematics: Melonie Smith Lemond
Science: Brandi Martin
Social Studies: Melonie Smith Lemond

Spanish: Briana Horner
Computer Science: Cecil Ramirez
Agriculture Science: Brandi Martin

Outstanding Student of the Year in Resource: Cecil Ramirez

Elementary Library Receives Accelerated Reading Funds

The Santa Anna Elementary Library has received \$250.00 from the 3M Company to be used during the 1996-97 school year for the Accelerated Reading Program according to Librarian Margaret Mobley.

John Philip Sousa Award: Briana Horner

English Class Awards:
English I (R): Emily Phillips
English I (A): Randa Watts
English II (R): Aaron Guthrie
English II (A): Beth Eisenhower
English III: Stacey Smart
English III (A): Briana Horner
English IV (R): Stacey Smart

Resource Language Arts: Otis Woods

Mathematics Class Awards:

Math of Money: Albert Dixon
Algebra I: Jennifer Johnson
Algebra I: Diana Porter
Algebra I: Kristen Keeney
Algebra II: Beth Eisenhower
Geometry: Briana Horner
Pre-Cal (H): Brandi Martin
TAAS Prep: Ebby Johnson
Applied Math: Zachary Lawhon

Computer Science Class Awards:

Micro Computer Applications: Randa Watts
Computer Applications I: Melonie Smith Lemond
Computer Applications II: Cesar Patino

Science Class Awards:

Physical Science: Hector Patino
Physical Science: Beth Eisenhower

Physical Science: Chris Johnson
Chemistry: Cesar Patino

Spanish Class Awards:

Spanish I: Jennifer Johnson
Spanish II: Cesar Patino, Beth Eisenhower

Spanish III: Chris Cheaney
Social Studies Class Awards:

U. S. History: Randa Watts
World History: Beth Eisenhower
Economics: Brandi Martin
Government: Melonie Smith Lemond

Texas History: Chris Cheaney
Health Class Awards:

Health: Briana Horner
Adv. Health: Tim Abernathy
Health Occupations: William Loyd

Band Awards:

Outstanding Musician 12: Melonie Smith Lemond
Outstanding Musician 11: Briana Homer

Outstanding Musician 10: Rene Guerrero/Beth Eisenhower
Outstanding Musician 9: Chris Powell/Maria Ellerbe

Most Improved Musician: Samantha Ramirez
Appreciation Awards: Rachael Guerrero, Kate White, Juliette van der Velde and Bennie Bible

Agricultural Science Class Awards:

Intro. Ag. Science: Randa Watts/Jennifer Johnson
Wildlife & Recreation Mgt: Shane Watson

Applied Ag. Science: Randa Watts/Jennifer Johnson
Food Technology: Aaron Guthrie

Ag Mechanics: Lee Keeney
Intro. Ag Mechanics: Chris Johnson

Animal Science: Brandi Martin
Home Maintenance: Aaron Guthrie

Equine Science: Johanna Svensson
Diversified Ag. Science: Stacey Smart

Home Economic Awards:
Food Science: Danny Deleon
Comprehensive: Rhonda Williamson

Individual and Family Living: Josh Lewis
Child Development: Lina Persson

Housing: Nancy McKissack
Interior Design: Devin Cook
Business Awards:
Personal Finance: Yolando Frausto

Accounting: Beth Eisenhower
Fine Arts Class Awards:
Speech: Juliette van der Velde
Theater Arts: Juliette van der Velde

Technology Awards:
Law Enforcement: Chris Cheaney, Briana Horner, Ami Beal



Members of the Spanish III Class at Santa Anna High School recently traveled to San Antonio and Mexico for the Cinco de Mayo weekend. Taking part in the trip and pictured above on the San Antonio River are Juha Aalto, Chris Cheaney, Brandi Martin, Patricia Scott, Ami Beal, Briana Horner and Rachael Guerrero.

SAHS Spanish III Class Goes South Of The Border

The Spanish III class at Santa Anna High School learned about Mexican culture first hand as they spent "Cinco de Mayo" weekend in Mexico and San Antonio.

Becky Greaves' class decided in January to "cook up" a trip to Mexico and cook they did. The students with the help of parents prepared an enchilada and tamale luncheon for the Santa Anna ISD staff and guests to earn money toward their trip. The meal was so well received the class made and sold burrito sack lunches to students in May.

On May 3, bus driver Angie Hernandez, Brandi Martin Patricia Scott, Chris Cheaney, Juha Aalto, Ami Beal, Briana Horner and Rachael Guerrero with sponsor Becky Greaves boarded the school

and Rachael Guerrero (A Average) 2 year requirement: Bertha Frausto

JUNIOR HIGH:

Language Arts Class Awards:

English 8: Stuart Gibson
English 8: Jesse Castillo
English 7: Konnie Weaver
English 7: Chrystal Pelton
English 7: Bobby Hale
English 7: Jaci Kuykendall
Resource Language Arts 7: Bennie Bible, Lisa Watson

Resource Language Arts 8: Christy Trichel
Speech 7: Jaci Kuykendall
Speech 8: Jesse Castillo

Mathematic Class Awards:

Algebra 1: Jesse Castillo
Algebra 1/2: Jaci Kuykendall
Math 7: Ignacio Guerrero

Resource Math 7: Casey Herring
Resource Math 8: Andrea Siller

Science Class Awards:

Earth Science: Stuart Gibson
Earth Science: Erica Tijerina
Life Science: Jaci Kuykendall
Life Science: Konnie Weaver

Social Studies Class Awards:

Texas History: Jaci Kuykendall
Texas History: Bobby Hale
U. S. History: Jesse Castillo
U. S. History: Olivia Frausto

Computer Class Awards:
Keyboarding: Moses Mata
Keyboarding: Jaci Kuykendall
Computer Literacy: Stuart Gibson

Computer Literary: Jesse Castillo

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Senior League Baseball News

On Tuesday, May 14, the Santa Anna Marlins (ages 13-15) won their home opener against the Coleman Blue Jays. In six innings of offense, the Marlins scored nine runs to the Blue Jays three runs in seven innings. Santa Anna sent three pitchers to the mound including Edgar Mullins, who pitched three innings and gave up two runs, Jesse Castillo, who pitched three innings and gave up one run; and Chris Boyet, closed the game three-up-three down. Scoring the runs for the Marlins were Edgar Mullins 1, Jesse Castillo 1, Junior Padilla 3, Bennie Diaz 2, J. J. Beloit 1, and Brian Coyle 1.

On Saturday, May 18 the Marlins won their second game of the season against the Coleman Red Sox by a score of 11-3. Santa Anna's pitchers include J. J. Beloit, 2 innings; Jesse Castillo, 2 innings and Chris Boyet, 3 innings. Great defensive plays were made by Tyson Johnson, Junior Padilla, Bennie Diaz, Brian Coyle and J. J. Beloit. Scoring runs for the Marlins were Edgar Mullins 1, Jesse Castillo 2, Bennie Diaz 1, Chris Boyet 1, Junior Padilla 1, Brian Coyle 3, J. J. Beloit 1 and Tyson Johnson 1.

Baseball fans were treated to the

most exciting home game of the early season Tuesday night, May 21. Santa Anna's senior league Marlins, behind by a score of 7 to 5 in the bottom of the seventh inning, scored three runs to win their third game of the season. The Coleman Rockies retired two of the Marlins before walking David Strickland who then stole second base and reached third on a passed ball. Next, with a count of 2 and 1, J. J. Beloit drove in the winning run with a deep line drive to right center field. In the area of pitching the Marlins are progressing according to schedule and doing very well. Tuesday, Edgar Mullins pitched four great innings to open the game and represented the younger Marlin pitchers in winning style. Jesse Castillo pitched the final three innings to exhibit the fine fifteen year old staff of the team. Scoring for the Marlins were Chris Powell 2, Bennie Diaz 2, Chris Boyet 1, Junior Padilla 2 and David Strickland 1.

On Saturday, May 25, the senior league Marlins traveled to Cross Plains to take on the Texans. With only eight players the Marlins faced huge odds because there was an automatic out everytime the lineup reached the ninth spot. It did not help

psychologically either. Nonetheless the Marlins showed the heart that makes managers and coaches proud no matter what the outcome of the game. In doing so, the Texans had Santa Anna down 502 going into the sixth inning. Tyson Johnson and Bennie Diaz both scored to bring the score to 5-4. At that point the automatic out became a big factor and the Marlins just could not score again.

Pitching continues to develop according to schedule. Jesse Castillo gave three innings of great effort while Chris Boyet finished the game working very well.

Homecoming at Burkett School On Sun., June 9

Homecoming is set for the Burkett School on Sunday, June 9th, at the Burkett Community Center.

All graduates, former students, teachers, school employees and trustees and area residents are urged to attend.

Families are asked to bring a basket lunch with tea, coffee and bread being

School Board

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mains at approximately 320; and Mike Marrs Company personnel have conducted soil sample tests and surveys in preparation for upcoming construction.

Board members present were Mary Donham, Edwin Hipsher, Roddy Dean, Dickie Horner, Barbara Simmons, Gay Abernathy and Sharon Guthrie.

School official attending the meeting were Superintendent of Schools Dean Bass, High School Principal Sam Huffman, School Secretary Carole Voss, Elementary School Principal Lee Coffman, and Business Manager Judy Hartman.

Others present were David Robinett, Sandra Guthrie, Lois Harper, Janet Neff, Shayna Markham, Montie Guthrie and Sharon Cheaney.

Bob Turner

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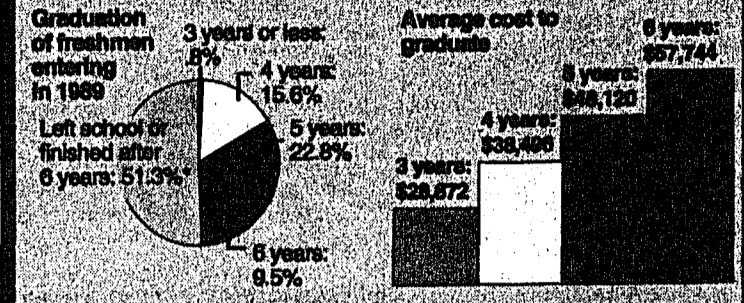
diers aren't the only ones with a duty. Each of us has a duty to stay informed and to participate in the political process our founding fathers crafted so brilliantly. Unfortunately, statistics on voter participation show that citizens are shirking that duty in droves.

On this Memorial Day I wish to remember and to express my appreciation for the many brave souls who came before us. I want to recognize those not-so-ordinary citizens, both military and civilian, whose contributions have enabled us

Keeping an eye on Texas

Most students don't finish, others pay close to \$50,000 in college costs

Less than half of the freshmen entering a Texas public university in 1989 graduated from that school after six years. At an average of \$8,624 per year for tuition, room and board, books, fees and other expenses, students who took five years to graduate, 22.8 percent of the class, incurred about \$48,120 in college costs.



*The survey of freshmen entering a Texas public university in 1989 does not track students who left that school, whether they dropped out of college altogether or pursued an education elsewhere. A survey of the 1985 freshmen class estimates seven percent graduated after six years. SOURCES: John Sharp, Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts and Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board.

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On An African Safari

By David and Margaret Karthaus

The plane quickly rolled to a stop and we descended with our hand luggage. We were met at the door by Jonathan and Kefa, our drivers and guides for our stay at the Mara Safari Club. Our luggage was quickly unloaded and transferred to the Land Rovers. Traveling with Jeanie is a lot of fun. She and Jonathan were good friends and we were warmly welcomed by Jonathan and by Lucy, the entertainment director of the Safari Club. It was Lucy's job to make sure we enjoyed our stay at the Club. Lucy and the rest of the staff excelled at their jobs. Jeanie had said we would receive a large amount of pampering here and as usual Jeanie understated the amount of pampering.

Jeanie's favorite driver at the Mara Safari Club was Jonathan. Jonathan stood about 6'3" and had a very lean muscular body. His appearance was not quite so noticeable when he wore his guide's uniform complete with leather vest, but when he wore his Masai warrior clothes he was very striking looking. After a long conversation with Jonathan we found out that he worked three

weeks (twenty one days in a row) then was off for seven days. Jonathan would leave the drivers' quarter and walk for over forty miles which would take him about half day to get to his home. We found this very difficult to believe but we did know he could move fast. Even though he was well acquainted with the two cultures, he insisted that his family live in the Masai village so they would learn and understand their culture.

After a short drive, we came to the steel gates that guarded the entrance to the Club. An armed guard greeted us and opened the gates so we could pass through. The short trip was filled with Jeanie, Lucy and Jonathan catching up on one another's lives since last year. It really was a delightful ride and a fitting prelude to our stay. As usual we arrived in time for lunch. We were escorted through the entrance to the club and proceeded to a table complete with table cloth and silver next to the swimming pool. Large trees shaded much of the pool and our table. After another meal fit for a king, we were given our tent numbers. Our

heavier luggage had already been placed in our tents. "Now we are ready to be pampered," said Jeanie.

Pampered in tents? Well, you should see the tents. The front porch of our tent was a few feet from the Mara River. We would stand on our porch and see the hipopotamus basking in the sun while mostly submerged in the river. We were in tent #20 and the hippos were in front of tent #16. We had a very good view of the hippos and probably better than people in tent #16 in that we had no trees in our way. As we unzipped the mosquito netting and entered into the tent, it was if we entered another world. All of the windows were rolled open and a nice breeze kept the interior very cool. The large canopied beds on either side of the tent had mosquito netting all around them. There was an oriental rug separating the two beds. Our luggage was sitting on luggage stands in the foyer of the tent ready for us to unzip. Farther in past the bed at the head of one of the beds there was a chifforobe complete with coat hangers waiting for our clothes to be hung up. On the opposite side was a complete vanity with a comfortable padded stool. At the end of the tent was the bathroom, complete with marble fixtures and vanity type wash basin. We were somewhat disappointed about not having a bathtub but the well appointed large shower was much more practical. We had only a few minutes to arrange our luggage and it was time to do our first game run in the Mara. With hippos at your front door all day we were looking forward to this new experience.

We met our drivers and the rest of the crew along with most of the guests of the Safari Club at the main entrance. We quickly found our vans and divided ourselves among the two drivers. Since there were two couples and Jeanie almost

always rode with Jonathan, the two couples swapped between the two vehicles to give everyone a chance to visit with both of the drivers. Kefa was now to Jeanie, so we did not know too much about him. He proved to have excellent animal senses and many times while we were at the Mara he maneuvered our land rover in perfect position before any of us saw the game. Usually our two vans stayed fairly close together, but sometimes we were not within eyesight of one another.

Our first game run was exceedingly profitable. We saw countless varieties and large numbers of each species. One of the highlights of the first evening was seeing a mother cheetah hunting dinner with her four cubs. These cubs were almost full grown, but not quite as mature as the family we had seen at Samburu. We were parked in a good position where we were able to watch the entire stalk and attempted kill. While the mother was stalking some gazelles, an impala almost walked over her. While the mother obviously welcomed dinner dropping in, she was unprepared and made a poor attempt at the kill. After the initial miss, the chase was fruitless. This was our first time we were aware of Kefa's knack for reading animals. He started the Land Rover and drove about a quarter mile and came to a stop in a small open field surrounded by trees.

We had no sooner come to a stop, when the mother cheetah, completely out of breath and with a huge green grass stain on her left cheek, staggered out of the bushes. Cheetahs are very fast and can run up to 70 mph but only for a short distance. (around a quarter mile or less) They get so exhausted that it takes about two hours from them to recuperate. The cheetah slowly made her way to a mound of dirt right next to our Land Rover. She climbed up and plopped down. She lay there for over ten minutes breathing very deep and rapidly. She was completely tucked out. The cameras were clicking and the camcorders were recording almost every movement. It almost seemed as if she was posing for the cameras. After about ten to fifteen minutes she raised her head and mewed much like a house cat. About thirty seconds she repeated the sound. Soon all four of her offspring came silently out of the bush and gathered around her. After a few moments, the mother got up and led her four young to another site where she would try one more time to get dinner. It was fairly late and she might have missed her chance for the day.

Every evening at the Mara Safari Club there was some kind of entertainment for the guests. On our second night the entertainment was Jonathan, dressed in a Masai warrior's attire complete with spear. Jonathan seemed twice as big standing as he had previously sitting behind the wheel of the van. Jonathan gave a very polished slide presentation explaining life in a Masai village. Jonathan spoke perfectly in the King's English. He used Swahili only when it was appropriate. The setting for the slides was his village. Some of the photos were of him and his family. The next day back in uniform, we could hardly believe it was the same person. Their customs are centered around cattle, sheep and goats. They are shepherds that build semi-permanent villages to live in while they graze their livestock in a particular area. Their houses are built of a stick frame work covered with cow dung. If the roof were to leak, they would just plaster fresh cow dung in the vicinity of the leak. Their villages consist of houses built in a circle enclosing a corral for the livestock. The cattle are kept inside of the houses to protect them from large members of the cat family. Needless to say, we would think their dusty, dirty accommodations lacked a lot. Modern conveniences there usually consisted of a single flash light per family. A man can have more than one wife. Each wife much build a house for herself and her children. Each house has a separate room for the husband. Between each man's houses was a gate so if you see three houses and a gate followed by two more houses and a gate, the first man had three wives and the second man had two wives. Most of their food and livelihood are derived from the livestock. From the dung houses to their meals, no part of the animal was wasted. Milk was also a main staple.

Twice on our trips in the Mara, we came across a large herd of elephants. What we finally decided was that we had seen two different groups, the first group had more than thirty members. The second was much larger. The first time we saw elephants at the Mara was on a section of rolling hills. Everywhere we would look, we would see elephants grazing. It was close to lunch time for us and the elephants flowed around us eating as they went. We saw this group or another one or more other times. The last times we saw the elephants was in an open field and the two groups were joining together greeting one another as they passed. We learned a lot of patience on our safari and this was one of our better examples. We sat for almost one hour watching the young frolic together, occasionally taking breaks to nurse, while the older ones caught one another up on the happenings since the last time they met.

We may be imagining things by watching them, but their behavior gave a strong case that they were really greeting one another. A similar occurrence happened the first morning we saw lions. Two small half grown lions were slowly making their way across an open field. They met up with an almost grown male lion but who had not grown his mane yet, being about one year old. They were evidently from the same pride because they playfully greeted one another. We saw the same type of behavior in Tanzania when two full grown male lions danced a little jig and rolled around in the grass when they first met. Our Masai warrior drivers pointed out these animal interactions when we questioned them. We never did see two sets of unfriendly animals except for cats looking for something to eat.

On one of our final game runs at the Mara we drove half way up one of the nearby foothills to see our first white rhinos. All of the rhinos in Kenya have been killed by poachers for their valuable horns. People in the far east believe that the horn has great medicinal powers. Whether it does or not is debatable but it seems such a waste to kill such a large animal for just the horn leaving the rest of the body to rot. Kenya has acquired eight white rhinos from South Africa. They have built large wooden stockades that are electrified. During the day, the Masai warriors accompanied by soldiers with Uzis take the rhinos out of the stockade and let them graze among the lush grass nearby. In the evening they are brought back into the stockade with the guards patrolling all night. At the stockade we saw a mother with the latest addition to the Kenya herd, a two week old male was running around the stockade under the watchful eyes of his mother and other armed guards. The little rhino had not yet formed much of a horn, but they were keeping a close eye on both he and his mother.

Weight-Lifting Builds More Than Muscles In Older Women

By Carol Katzer
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Strength training has traditionally been associated with young men, but now it also is being recommended for older women. Research reported in the Spring 1995 issue of Nutrition Updates on strength training in women (ages 50-70) shows benefits in increasing hip bone density, increasing muscle mass and strength, decreasing fat and improving balance. These improvements help prevent falls and broken bones, a debilitating problem for older women.

Once women are over 40, they can get estrogen replacement therapy, but they can't replace bone mass already lost. Weight training leads to increased muscle mass, resulting in greater muscle stamina, greater ability to retain oxygen levels in the muscle tissues, and a decreased risk of bone fracture. Aerobic exercise also is beneficial for the cardiovascular system. It keeps the muscles strong and deters the weight gain common in aging individuals. Walking, climbing stairs and gardening are examples of aerobic exercise that benefit older adults. Check with your doctor before starting a new exercise program. Begin slowly and increase your time and activity level.

Recommendations for strength training for older adults:

*Try to exercise three or four times per week.

*Choose a weight that you can lift 8 to 12 repetitions.

*Make sure the weight you choose is 80 percent of the heaviest weight you can lift one time. For example, if you can lift 30 pounds one time, then 80 percent of that would be (30 x .80) - 24 pounds.

*Keep retrying your strength on the heaviest weight that you can lift as time passes.

*Warm up and stretch for at least 10 minutes to prevent injury.

*In the beginning concentrate on muscles in the shoulder, arms and thighs.

*Alternate the muscle groups that you exercise. Exercise the upper-body muscles during one session and lower-body muscles the next.

*Perform strength building movements slowly. Take 6 to 9 seconds per each repetition. Rest for a few seconds between each lift.

*Inhale before you lift, exhale as you lift, and then inhale again as you lower the weight.

The potential for healthy longevity is within each person—but each person must accept the challenge of making it work for them.



David and Margaret Karthaus with children at a Masai village

Our most interesting viewing at the Mara centered around the lions. You might ask after seeing a herd of one hundred elephants what was so special about the lions. Early one morning we drove to a distant area. As we drove out of the small trees, we saw hundreds of zebras standing in a straight line all facing a point in the brush near where we had emerged. We were too fascinated to take pictures let alone try to count the zebras. Our driver made a small circle and pulled into the brush just beyond the point where the zebras seemed to be looking. We found four male lions sitting in the tall grass watching the zebras watch them. Farther out in the field we saw a large number of wildebeests who seemed to be obvious of the young lions. Most of the lions we saw in the Mara, however, were adult males and female pairs seriously engaged in the mating season. We saw very many couples at various points on our travels. We would love to go back in September or October to see the hundreds of lion cubs. Maybe our vans were invisible, but it did not appear that our presence slowed the couples at all. The drivers told us repeatedly that the animals were used to the vans and didn't pay any attention to them. However, if a person were to leave the van, they would really be noticed. All the people in our crews had been told to be very still and quiet while we were in the vans taking pictures of the animals. The animals were sometimes bothered by movement in the vans but not by the vans themselves.

When you think of hippos you normally think of them wallowing around in the water

TSTC Artfest '96 Set For June 8 In Brownwood

Texas State Technical College in Brownwood will be sponsoring Artfest '96 on Saturday, June 8, 1996. The show will be from 12:30 p.m. to 2:30 p.m., but paintings will be displayed through June 21.

Artists should submit their paintings by 4 p.m., Friday June 7 to TSTC, 305 Booker, Bldg. 2, Brownwood, Texas. Paintings must be ready to hang, no saw-tooth hangers and a limit of two paintings per artist.

Media used may be oils, pen and ink, watercolors, pastels and mixed media.

Categories for the paintings will be Western Art, Pastoral Scenes, Landscapes, Folk Art, Wild Life and/or Still Life.

The show will be judged by Gisela Johnson of Sweetwater and she will be selecting the top paintings for which awards will be presented. TSTC Student Council, staff and the general public will also vote on the paintings and will purchase two at \$500 each.

For more information contact Michelle Owings at 915-643-1552.

or the mud. But what do hippos eat and when? Every evening near dusk, the hippos at the Mara climbed the steep banks of the river and begin grazing in the lush pastures. The hippos may wander as much as ten miles from the river getting their daily supply of grasses. Since there are many evening predators, how do the hippos protect themselves from the lions and leopards? Being as being as they are, the adults have little or no trouble. Only the young ones are susceptible to the predators. The larger animals form a circle around the smaller ones while they are grazing and move very close to the young ones in case of an attack. From the number of lions and hippos we saw, it appeared that the lions found easier game than young hippos. While we were at the Mara, we were delighted to wake up between four and five in the morning to the sound of hippos coming back to the river after a night of grazing, that is if you didn't mind missing your sleep.

To Be Continued

Fishing Lake Ivie

By Durwood Strickland

I fished with Alan Yaw and Jerry O'Bryant of the Abilene Reporter News last week. We had some real good outings, netting some nice sized fish.

They caught two largemouth bass over 8 pounds each early in the day and kept bringing in nice fish throughout the outing. Sam Ray of Austin took an 11.82 lb. bass in the same area of the lake we were fishing. The lake record is 12.90 lbs., so that was getting pretty close.

The fish we caught Wednesday were holding in 12 to 20 feet of water and all the better fish would take the plastic lizards on Carolina rigs.

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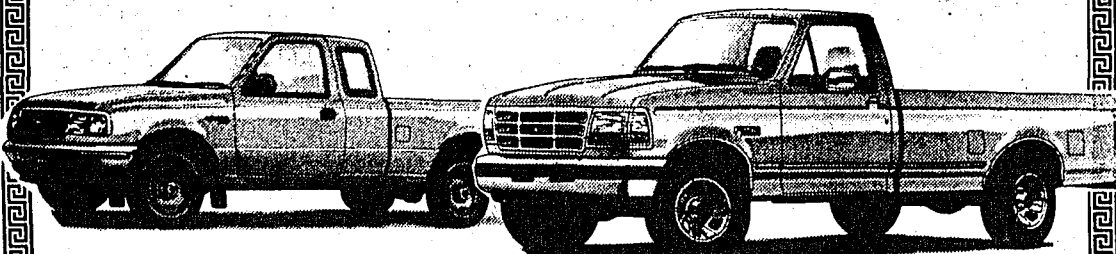
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