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Summer Band Practice Scheduled For August 4-8

All band students who will be in grades 7-12 for the coming school year should make arrangements to attend band rehearsals during the week of August 4-8. Morning rehearsals will begin at 8 a.m. on Monday and continue through the week at that time. There are also going to be section rehearsals in the afternoons and possibly two evening rehearsals. Because of conflicting schedules with other activities, no rehearsals will be scheduled for the week of August 11, but the band hall will be open each day for students who need to practice or get extra help.

"We are really going to have to work hard this year to show some

improvement," says David Powell, band director. "We are still going to have a young band, mostly grades 7-9, but there is no reason to expect any less from them. We can and will do what has to be done to make the band successful."

Students will be expected to memorize all music required on the field for halftime shows, but no one should be afraid of this requirement. Students can even come by the band hall and get music and horns on July 31 and August 1 so they can be better prepared for the first day. Just be prepared to work hard and have fun!!! Remember, the best way to get something started is to begin!

Coach Robinett Announces Two-A-Day Football Workout

Traditional two-a-day football practice will begin on Wednesday, August 6 at 7:30 a.m. when the players will meet at Perry Gym to receive equipment followed by a workout. The work-out that day will continue until 12:30 or 1 p.m. Practice will continue on Thursday and Friday, August 7-8 and the Monday through Friday of the next week beginning at 7:30 a.m. and ending about 12 noon.

All players and parents are asked to stop by Perry Gym on Tuesday evening, August 5 from 6 to 9 p.m. to meet the coaches and pick up the Athletic Information Packet. The packet will include information on school insurance, games sched-

ules for varsity, junior varsity and junior high, information travel to and from games, an acknowledgment of rules form to be signed by parents along with other general information.

The team will continue their traditional Tuesday evening workouts on Tuesday, August 12 at 6 p.m. The workouts take place at 7 p.m. on Tuesday evening during the school year. This allows working parents to come out and watch the team practice.

The first scrimmage of the year will be Thursday, August 21 at Robert Lee. On Friday, August 29 the Mountaineers will scrimmage Roby at Mountaineer Stadium.

Children To Take A Journey In The Wilderness With Moses At August 2, One-Day VBS

The First Methodist and First Presbyterian Churches of Santa Anna have again joined forces to present their 1997 Vacation Bible School.

VBS will be held on Saturday, August 2 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., beginning with an opening assembly (following registration) at the Methodist Church and proceeding to the City Park for a full day of fun and fellowship based on the life of Moses and the Israelite people as they journeyed through wilderness of their way to the Promised Land.

There will be crafts, games, music, stories and food through the day, all for the sole purpose of teaching our children about the life and times in which Moses lived and how he followed God's direction to free the Hebrew people from slavery in Egypt and lead them to the Promised Land. The Exodus story will come alive as all children of Santa Anna (ages 3 years through sixth grade) take part in this

Biblical journey. Older youth are invited to participate as helpers through the day.

The day's journey will end where it began, at the Methodist Church for a worship celebration and children may be picked up by parents at 4 p.m.

VBS will conclude with a closing program entitled "The Promised Land" to be held at 7 p.m. Sunday, August 3 at the Methodist Church. The community is invited to participate as the children and their teachers share some of the experiences of their day's journey. The program will conclude with the serving of homemade ice cream and cookies.

Any adult or youth who would like to help with the VBS program should contact Cathy Ellis, 348-3016 or Mike Efrid, 348-3776. Pre-registration of children would be greatly appreciated.

CCMC Obstetrics Unit Welcomes First Baby To Be Born There

Contributed

A two and one-half year dream of Dr. Paul Reynolds, Coleman County Medical Center Director of Nurses Janina Mains, staff and administration of CCMC became a reality last Saturday morning at 12:30 a.m. when a baby boy became the first to be born in the new obstetrics unit. The last baby born in the hospital was in 1994.

The baby boy, whose name is longer than he is, Apache July Coleman Dee Phillips, was born to Charley and Stephanie Phillips of

Coleman, weighing 8 pounds, 11 ounces.

"My family are all Apache Indians and we just decided to carry it on," Phillips said. July was added for the month, and Coleman for the place.

This is the seventh child in the family. Little Apache has a brother, a sister and two step-brothers and two step-sisters.

The family and Apache were presented with a variety of gifts and certificates from Coleman businesses.



Local History Revisited

Pictured in this photo sent to us by Garland Close of Austin and taken in August 1897 is HOTEL de MELTON in Santa Anna. The early landmark was located where the downtown apartment complex now stands. The Melton family is pictured in the old photo. The building was moved a block north in 1917 and is now the Rex Turney residence.

Duo From Bangs To Appear At Youth Crusade In August

The 1997 Radical Truth Crusade will be held at the Santa Anna Football Stadium on the nights of August 13-15 at 8 p.m. each evening. This event is geared to share the Radical Truth of Jesus Christ to this area's young families and to the students of the area schools. Our hope is that the new school year will begin on a positive note as the students hear and respond to the plain truth of Christ.

2 Days Later will begin on a positive note as the students hear and respond to the plain truth of Christ.

2 Days Later of Bangs will be providing the music each night of the crusade. *2 Days Later* is Leesa Stephens and Stacy Walker from Bangs, Texas. These musicians are school teachers by necessity, but musicians by choice. Stephens and Walker feel that God has called them to use their talents to encourage, edify and entertain in church and secular settings.

2 Days Later is well-known in this area because of their numerous appearances and honors at the Cross Timbers Country Opry. They have been recognized for their songwriting abilities by being selected as a national and a regional finalist for the Gospel Music Association (GMA). They have opened shows for Jerry Clower, The Texans from Branson and Christian Country Music Association Male Vocalist of the Year, Bruce Haynes. They continue to lead area churches in worship and revivals. They just completed two weeks of GA Camp at the Heart of Texas Baptist Encampment. Last year, they led the music for the RA Camp. *2 Days Later* has recently signed with the Higgins Music Group of Nashville, Tennessee for radio promotions. A future endeavor includes a weekly radio program called *Sunday Country* which will feature Christian Country Music.

Leesa Stephens, a Waco native, graduated from Howard Payne University. She teaches middle school English and Gifted and Talented. She also serves as the

Singing Duo
"Two Days
Later"
will appear at
youth
crusade in
August



campus academic coordinator. She is married to Mike Stephens and they have two sons, Matthew and Scott.

Stacy Walker is a graduate of Bangs High School and Tarleton State University. He teaches physics and physical science. He also serves as the student council

Woman Hospitalized After One Vehicle Wreck Here Early Sat.

Contributed

According to Santa Anna Police Chief Carlos Torres, an early Saturday morning accident in downtown Santa Anna sent a Coleman woman to an Abilene hospital.

In his report Torres states the accident, which is still under investigation, occurred at 1:30 a.m. when Brenda Sue Summers, 44, was traveling west, through Santa Anna, on Wallis Avenue. Summers appar-

ently lost control at the signal light of her 1990 Chevrolet Beretta, crossing the intersection, hitting the curb near the Masonic Lodge coming to a stop against the utility pole. Torres advised there appeared to be no other cars or individuals involved.

However, because of Summers' injuries, Torres has been unable to discuss the accident with Summers and details are sketchy at this time.

The Coleman Fire Department Jaws of Life were called to the scene to help free Summers from the vehicle.

Summers was wearing her seat belt. She was transported by Coleman County Medical Center by CCMC-EMS where she was stabilized and then transported to Hendrick Hospital in Abilene.

The hospital reported on Monday that Summers has been moved from ICU into a private room.

New Students Need To Register

Students who will be attending class in the Santa Anna ISD in the 1997-98 school year need to go by the school after August 1 to register.

Also kindergarten students who have not registered yet need to do so as soon as possible after August 1.

Community Calendars Available

The Delta Omicron Sorority Community Birthday Calendar is now in and for those wishing to obtain one may stop by the Hensley Family Health Care Clinic or Coleman County Telephone Cooperative.

The calendar contains birthdays and anniversaries along with events and school happenings during the year. The calendar begins in August and ends in July.

SAHS Class Of 1982 Seeking Addresses

Santa Anna High School Class of 1982 is looking for the current names, addresses and phone numbers for those who graduated that year. Information is also needed for the teachers.

Information may be turned in to Lesa Rolfe Edwards, 817-267-0562 or Teresa Rolfe, 7029 Strawberry Way, Fort Worth, Texas 76137, 817-847-8654.

Information will be used to contact class members of plans for the 15 year class reunion.

Band Says Look For Its Fall Fund Raiser

The Mountaineer Band will be having their annual fundraiser early this year. The band will be selling quality beach towels with logos of many professional sports teams and some favorite Looney Tunes characters.

The selection also includes an exclusive Mountaineer towel designed especially for this sale. By purchasing a Mountaineer towel, you will be supporting the band and the Mountaineers.

"I realize that this is an unusual sale item, but we want to sell something you can't get in stores and give our supporters value for their money. These items will cost \$10.00 each, and are of quality that you won't find for the price anywhere. The Mountaineer logo will

be designed especially for us and will be in school colors on a white towel. Imagine what effect we could have on the opposition at games with all the Mountaineer fans waving towels and urging on their team," said band director David Powell. "You may be able to buy towels in stores, but not towels such as this and not at this price."

Support the Mountaineer Band by purchasing a towel or several towels from any high school band member in September.

Santa Anna — A Town Of Friendly People

Saying "Hello" to
Myra Haynes of Brownwood

Obituaries

Jack Bain

LUBBOCK—Graveside services for Jack Bain, 67, of Brownwood, formerly of Garden Grove, Calif., were held at 1 p.m. Wednesday, July 23, 1997, at Lubbock City Cemetery with the Rev. Jimmy McGuire officiating. Arrangements were by Heartland Funeral Home.

He died Friday, July 18, 1997. He was born Dec. 4, 1929, in Poncha City, Okla., to the late Charlie and Susie Myrtle Bain. In 1950, he married Una Blanche Anderson in Lubbock. A U. S. Army Air Force veteran, he was a retired maintenance mechanic and a Baptist.

Survivors include his wife; two sons, Alan Bain of Glendale, Calif. and Mark Bain of Buena Park, Calif.; two daughters, Theresa Elliot of Santa Anna and Debra Jennings of Brownwood; three brothers, Lloyd Bain, Orville Bain and Johnny Bain, all of Missouri; two sisters, Rosie Smirell of Nebraska and Nellie Flack of Garden Grove, Calif.; and five grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents and a grandson.

Santa Anna Nutrition Center Menu

FRIDAY, JULY 25
Chicken fried steak, golden potatoes, herbed green beans, spice cake and applesauce

MONDAY, JULY 28
Oven fried fish, coleslaw, tator tots and pudding

Meals On Wheels Receives Donation

The Santa Anna Meals on Wheels program has received a donation from Ovella Williams.

Santa Anna Cemetery Memorials

The Santa Anna Cemetery Association has received the following memorials:

In memory of Tom Kingsbery from Lucille and R. W. Balke; and
In memory of D. L. Wallace, Jr. from Joe Wallace.

Check It Out

By Alice Anna Spillman

Beebo the Clown came to visit the library last week. Boys and girls of the Reading Club laughed, clapped hands, talked and sang. Happiness was everywhere from young to old. How good was she? Her own son completely forgot it was his mother. He had never seen her act. He enjoyed it as much as all of us.

Beebo told stories, sang, did magic tricks and made animals from balloons. She was Mrs. Springer from Snyder, Texas. Cynthia Philpot, her sister and one of our adult leaders brought her to visit. Charlotte taught us that making others laugh is a worthwhile goal. It could be the dream of clowns, actors and writers. Perhaps some of our children will choose to do that.

Patsy Starr helped her members make gifts to give to a friend or shut-in who needs a smile. With a spray can lid, plaster of paris, plastic fork, a card and some artificial flowers. They made a pretty gift.

Cynthia's group made fancy face masks of a paper plate, paint, string and feathers.

Betty Key's younger members drew happy faces.

Everyone had a story about people who made others happy. Book sacks contained balloons, bubble gum, a clown puppet to color and make and a funny picture of Beebo.

Beebo donated the balloon animals and they were among the items in the drawing. Winners were Becca Fellers, Tywana Jamison, Shante' Shepard, Cheri Singleton, Chris Silva, Kisha Wirts, Tanner Chamberlin, Chad Wristen, Megan Silva, Jon Turney, Jessica Reece, Aaron Huffman, Caleb Absher, Kathy Simmons, Jessica Ramirez, Kimberly Lawhon, Haydon Fenton, Michael Andrade, Brian Fellers, Sarah Pelton and Anthony Shepard.

All left with a cold bottle of kool-aid.

Special thanks to Kathy Simmons, Michael Andrade, Chad Wristen, Zackery Carter, Cheri Singleton, Bryan Fellers, Jon Turney and Shante' Shepard. Several even helped get ready and clean up after. Oma Dean McDonald, Pat Bell, Nikki Donham and Mrs. Hipp didn't have a spare minute. This couldn't happen without helpers. Thank them when you pass along the way.

Magazines that came in this week were *Parenting* from Thelma Bobskill; *Collector Magazine* and *Popular Mechanics* from Joe Green; *Wall Street Journal* from a friend. Dorothea Whisenant brought three boxes of paper backs. Not out yet, but she just about finished the Janet Dailey stories based on the states of the U.S.!

The lady from Oklahoma who visited was Mrs. Justice.

Mrs. Nita Rodriguez of San Angelo is the Green Thumb director of this region. She paid us a visit this week. We found that the cookbook is checked out and overdue. We know it's really good but please return it so others can cook good things. Mr. Joe Ed Wise and the Santa Anna National Bank gave copies to the Green Thumb workers who treasure their copies.

By the way if you need to discuss the type of books for your child, we will be happy to try and cooperate.

Oh! Our photographer this week was Chad Wristen.



Beebo The Clown Visits Reading Program

Beebo the Clown visited with the children at the Santa Anna City Library Summer Reading Program last Wednesday. The clown did magic trick, made animal balloons and many other clown things to the delight of the youngsters. Beebo was portrayed by Charlotte Garrett Springer of Snyder and is a former Santa Anna resident and SAHS graduate.

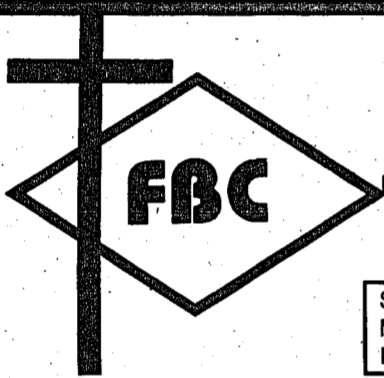
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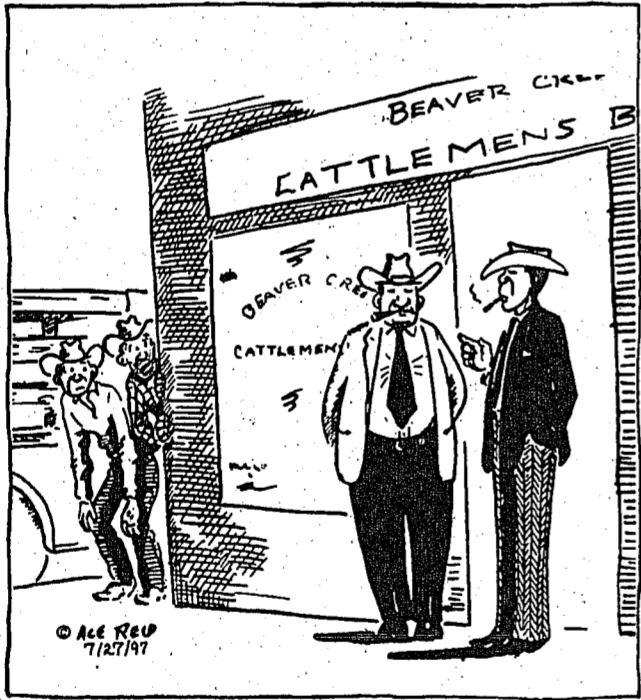
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By Ace Reid



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Chuck Brown
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JULY 27
Wallace Collins III
Kimberly Lawhon
Hillary Stewardson

JULY 28
Ryne Charles Smith
Trey Watts
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Capitol Comments
by **BOB TURNER**
State Representative - District 73



The American Heritage Rivers Initiative Makes No Sense

by Rep. Bob Turner

On May 19, 1997, the White House Council on Environmental Quality (CEQ) published a notice in the *Federal Register* announcing the American Heritage Rivers Initiative (AHRI), following up on a promise by the President in his State of the Union address to designate 10 rivers as American Heritage Rivers in 1997. The CEQ had allowed a scant 21 days for public comments, after which the President could issue an executive order making the new federal program official. Since then, citizens and elected officials from the county level to the U.S. Senate have been scrambling to make sense of the initiative, in order to submit meaningful comments by the deadline.

Toward that end, my office called the CEQ on May 22 to learn more what problem does the AHRI seek to solve? What are its goals and purposes? These questions are relevant to Texas, because Land Commissioner Garry Mauro is working with the White House to have the entire Rio Grande designated as one of the first 10 American Heritage Rivers. So far, neither the phone call to the CEQ, my June 10 letter to Garry Mauro, nor a July 9 briefing by the CEQ's Ray Clark and Assistant Land Commissioner Ty Fain have yielded many, if any, specifics about the initiative. No one can explain what will be possible with a federal designation that is not possible now.

According to the CEQ, the problem is poor performance by federal agencies. The AHRI will reinvent government and thereby improve the delivery of services by 13 federal agencies using existing budgets and no new regulations. Apparently, there is money enough for local projects such as water and waste water treatment plants and economic development, but federal agencies are doing a poor job of getting the money back to the communities.

Somehow, the CEQ reasons, a federal designation will cause the agencies to do better.

Since this is a "bottom-up" initiative, the goals and purposes of the AHRI will be left to the imagination of local communities, within specified parameters. A petition must be based upon some aspect of restoring the river. What does that mean? According to the CEQ, a petition might be based upon restoring stream flow which would be accomplished by removing impediments (dams, levees, impoundments) to natural flow of water. When asked how that might impact drinking water supplies, surface water permits for irrigation, hydroelectric power or flood control, the CEQ employee allowed that restoration of stream flow by actually removing obstructions might be going too far, but could not suggest other ways a river's original stream flow might be restored. From that, I took it that a petition for the purpose of restoring stream flow would not be looked upon favorably by the CEQ.

If a petition were based upon a goal of restoring water quality, we asked, how would that be accomplished? For example, we have a Clean Water Act which governs water quality.

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and the Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission (TNRCC) are charged with carrying out the mandates imposed by that federal act. Does the AHRI suggest these agencies are failing at their jobs as well? Furthermore, if the AHRI involves no new regulations, what more can be done under a federal designation that is not already possible under the Clean Water Act? In 1994, we rejected an effort to designate five Texas water bodies as Outstanding National Resource Waters. We understood

then that the federal designation would severely and unnecessarily restrict land use surrounding the designated water body. The fact that the water bodies contained such high quality water was testament enough that the state already was doing an excellent job managing our natural resources.

Also in 1994, we managed to fend off the federal designation of 33 central-Texas counties as critical habitat for the endangered golden-cheeked warbler. Again, Texans understood that the designation would deny them of the right to own, maintain and transfer their private property without federal involvement. And again, the fact that the creatures were thriving in these counties was testament to the fact that Texans do an excellent job of taking care of their land.

No one yet has explained how the federal designation of the Rio Grande River as an American Heritage River will be different from any other federal designation. Yes, water quality in the Rio Grande needs to be improved, but we need to be honest about the source of the pollution. Texas is doing its share. Mexico still dumps raw sewage into the river. And, yes, we need good clean economic development projects in communities along the Rio Grande. But we don't need a federal designation to make that happen, either.

In my humble view, the American Heritage Rivers Initiative makes no sense. Based upon everything we know about federal designations, I cannot imagine why anyone would offer up the Rio Grande as a federal American Heritage River for any reason, much less as an incentive for federal agencies to shape up.

The new deadline for public comments on the initiative has been extended to August 19. After that time, it is my understanding President Clinton will sign the executive order breathing life into the AHRI. We in Texas may not be able to change that, but we can and should adopt a wait and see approach before requesting the federal designation of Texas river.

In the meantime, I suggest we invite the heads of those 13 federal agencies to Texas and ask them to outline for us the array of federal programs which offer assistance to



Rockwood Ice Cream Supper A Big Success

Contributed
With 35 in attendance, we had a very enjoyable time last Saturday night at the Rockwood Community Center. The homemade ice cream, cakes, cookies, chips and dips were delicious, as all of our homemade goodies are. If you didn't come, you really missed a good time.

We were so glad to have all of our visitors and they were Mr. and Mrs. Mike Chance, Eddie their son and a niece and nephew Mandy and Brandon; Mr. and Mrs. Carroll Hodges of Santa Anna rural; Mr. Thomas Rutherford of Whon; Mrs. Patricia Greener and daughter Dee Dee McAllister of Richardson; Dustin Maedgen of Santa Anna; Colt Cooper of Gatesville; and homefolks were Mr. and Mrs. Jack Cooper; Mr. and Mrs. Alex Cooper; Mr. and Mrs. Pete Flynn; Mr. and Mrs. David Hartford and children, Matthew, Samuel, Jonathon, Emily, Peter and Rebekah; Sadie Bryan; Coleta Pearson; Claudia Rutherford; Minnie Bray; Vera Faye Wise; Mr. and Mrs. Jr. Brusenhan; Mrs. Roland Duus; and Robert Duus.

We come to Santa Anna often and look to the Sealy Hospital as old friend.
So please if there's a way to keep the hospital do so. I'm sure this will help keep Santa Anna on the map.
I do hope you get lots of mail. If the Sealy Hospital is torn down it will be a great loss.
I was born there in 1929.

Thank you,
Gladys Reese
907 E. Magnolia
Angleton, Texas 77515

Carmen Donham Hosts Birthday Party For Family And Friend

Carmen Donham hosted a birthday dinner party on Friday, July 18 for her sons, Larry of Andrews and Marty of Santa Anna and grandson Glen, who is on leave from the U. S. Navy and a long-time friend, Marie Cox Yeo of Coleman.

Glen is stationed aboard the U. S. Aircraft Carrier Independence, home port Japan.

The Donham families were joined by Michelle, Bobby and Tyler Morgan.

The trouble with life is that you're halfway through it before you realize it's a do-it-yourself project.

local communities. We need to have them tell us how much money is available for infrastructure and other projects and ask them why we can't have it - now.

Clara Cupps Honored On Birthday; Great-grandson Baptized In Cupps Tank

Contributed
Ryan and Kasha Bartholomew of Denver, Colorado hosted a birthday party for her grandmother, Clara Cupps on Sunday, July 20.

Attending were Carolyn and Ernie Covey of Georgetown; Jolinda, Russel, Blakely, Jacinda and Colton Carnes of Hawley; Renee Covey and Thomas Witt of Liberty Hill; Patsy, Brown and Jeff Brooke and Shayla, Glen and Chad McDonald, all of Comanche; and R. W. and Scooter Cupps.

A special highlight of the day was Blakely Carnes, great-grandson of R. W. and Clara Cupps being baptized in the Cupps tank by his grandfather Ernie Covey on Sunday afternoon.

Stewardson Reunion Here Sunday, 27th

The annual Stewardson reunion will be held in Santa Anna Sunday, July 27 at Tammy's Steakhouse. All friends and relatives are invited. Those planning to attend need to contact Gayle Stewardson at 915-785-4470.

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Ranger Park Inn Residents With July Birthdays Honored With Party

By Dorothy York
This past Thursday was our monthly birthday party and those residents having birthdays this month are Martin Wallace, Maude Shields and Vera West. We wish you all a very happy birthday. While refreshments were being served to the residents, Mrs. Pat DeWitt favored the residents with several piano selections. After singing happy birthday, we all sang along with Mrs. DeWitt remembering some of our all-time favorites. Many thanks to the Delta Omicron Sorority for the angel food cake. We welcome Mrs. Frances Horton and Mr. Robert Thate back from the hospital.

Volunteer Hospice Training To Begin

ABILENE—Hospice of the Big Country will be conducting a Volunteer Training Program beginning on August 2 in Coleman. This course, comprising 30 hours of training for Hospice Volunteers will be at First Presbyterian Church in Coleman.
Volunteers will learn several specialized skills that will enable them to work with terminally ill patients and their families. Currently, Hospice of the Big Country, based in Abilene, serves families throughout 19 counties of the Big Country. There is a very real need for volunteers as Hospice of the Big

Country is currently serving patients in Coleman, Ballinger, Winters, Santa Anna, Brownwood, Cross Plains, Rising Star and at several ranches close by these communities. Hospice professionals and volunteers provide invaluable services to these families, offering nursing help for the patient as well as guidance for family members.
For more information call Mary Lois Duke, Executive Director of Development, Hospice of the Big Country, 915-677-1191 or 1-800-588-0300. Hospice of the Big Country is a nonprofit agency.

Seventh, Ninth Grade Student Physicals To Be Given August 1

Peggy Hensley, MSN, RNCS Family Nurse Practitioner of the Family Health Care Clinic will be giving physicals to boys and girls who will be entering the seventh and ninth grades in the Santa Anna school system this year.

Hensley will be assisted by Athletic Director and Head Coach David Robinett and other coaches.

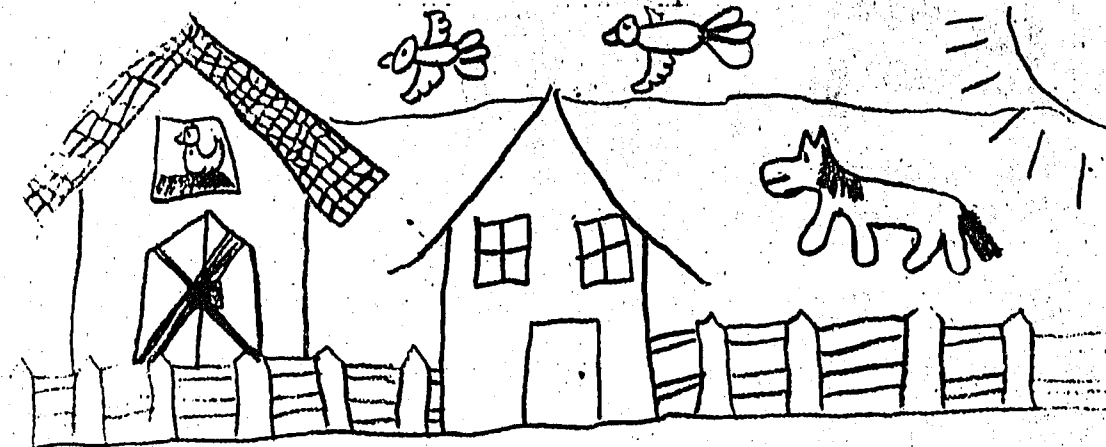
The physicals will be done in the gym from 9 a.m. to 12 noon on Friday, August 1. There will be no charge.

Parents are asked to stop by the school administration office and pick up the physical form in order to have it filled out in advance.

About Letters To The Editor

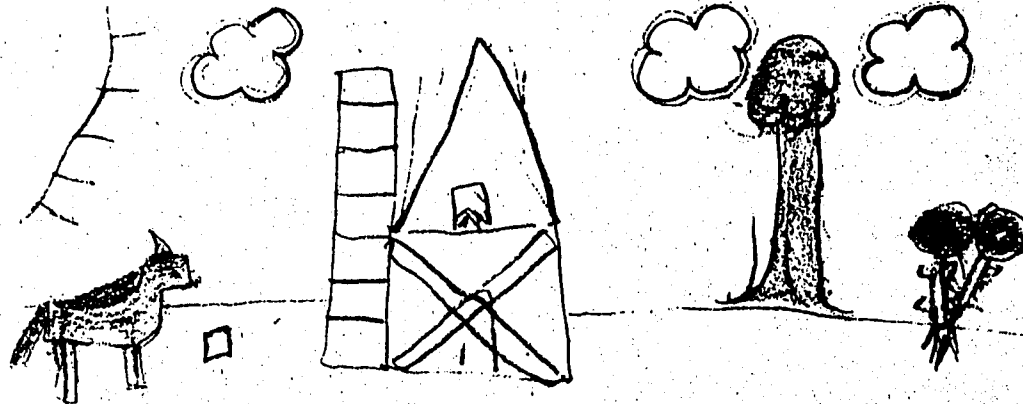
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Winners Of the Delta Omicron Sorority Calendar Contest

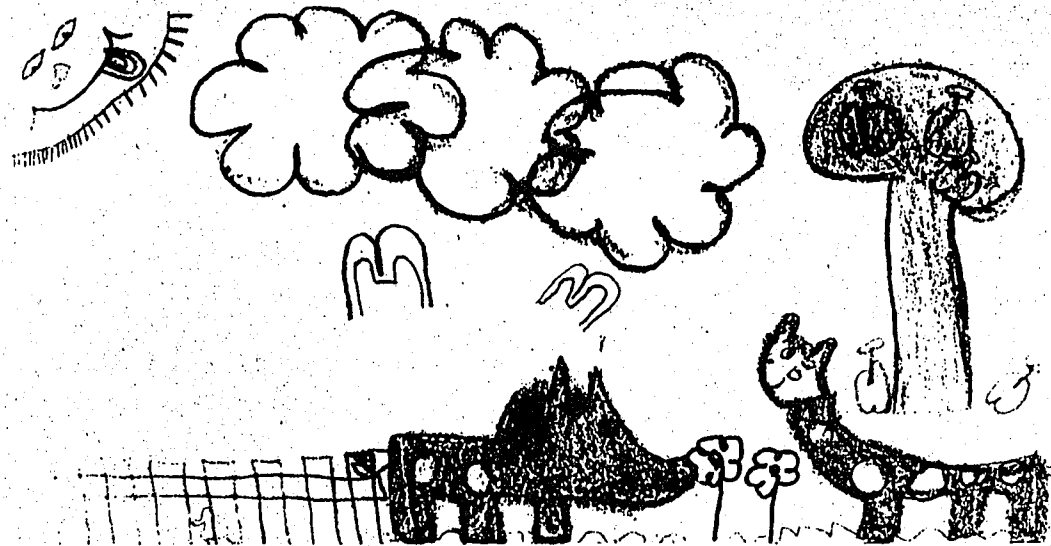


Rainey Bacon, 1st place

(This drawing is featured on the new Delta Omicron Community Calendar)



Vanessa Hull, 2nd place



Brigitte Gonzales, 3rd place



1997 Coleman County Little League All-Stars

The Coleman Little League All-Stars won one of the three games played in post-season. All-Stars for 1997 are bottom row, Tyler Garrett, Arturo Reyna, Matt Cox, C. J. Villegas, Seth Salazar, and Willie Gilbreath; and back row, Rudy Perez, manager, Eddie Galvan, Steven Miller, Jacob Pritchard, Justin Jauregui, Travis Dawson, Jeremy Monroe, Luke Villarreal, Trent Farmer and coach Eddie Galvan.

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All Heads Need Helmets

By Carol Katzer
County Extension Agent
Family & Consumer Sciences
Bicycle crashes are one of the most common cause of sports and recreational injuries.

Summer Grill Out Food Safety

By Carol Katzer
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Cookouts on a grill are a favorite activity during the warm or hot weather activity of the summer season.

'Round & About

Helping Mrs. Blanche Harris to celebrate her 98th birthday were her children, Mr. and Mrs. Glen McNeil from Mesquite; Don McNeil and daughter Diane from El Paso; Mr. and Mrs. Larry Dahlberg from Austin; Marsha Russell from San Antonio; and Mr. and Mrs. Elgean Harris from Santa Anna.

visit with a daughter, granddaughter, two grandsons and families. They attended a family reunion with her sister, other family and friends. On the way home they visited in El Paso with two other grandchildren and other family.

Visitors this week-end with Oma Dean Horner to attend the Horner-McIver wedding were Pete and Linda Simmons, James Stacey and Dalton Simmons, Jeff Simmons of McKinney and Candi Estep and Devin of Waterford, Oklahoma.

Marie Wristen is at home after recent shoulder surgery in Fort Worth. She and Dink are happy to report son and family, Ted and Suzette Wristen and children are all settled in their new home. They were displaced by a tornado in Mt. Pleasant a few weeks ago.

Good Deed Turns Into Disaster For Local Woman

Mildred Galloway is paying a price for trying to be kind to a white with yellow kitten which was apparently dumped near her home on the highway approximately two weeks ago.

She listened to the kitten, which wore a white plastic collar, cry at her door for some time and feeling sorry for it decided to feed it some milk. The hungry kitten ran between her feet, tripping her, and she fell backward on a concrete porch.

As a result she spent nine days in the hospital with bumps and bruises and a jolted pacemaker. She is at home now, but requires care givers.

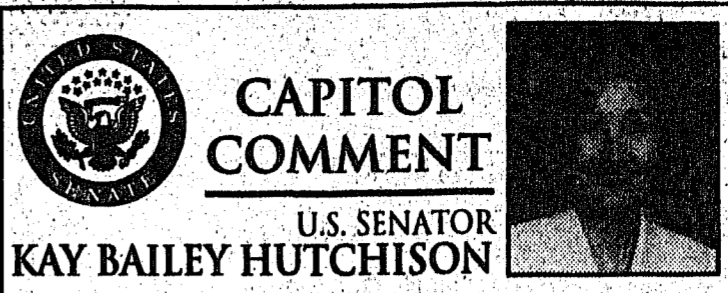
Mildred says she knows people feel sorry for animals that are just dumped out, but cautions them to please be careful and not let something happen like happened to her.

In the first place, she says, "those who just dump their animals should be ashamed of themselves". There are proper ways of getting rid of an unwanted pet.

Matthews Reunion

Contributed
The 41st annual Matthews Reunion met July 18-20, 1997 on Lake Brownwood with 45 members and guests attending. The children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren of Roger William and Ethel Rose Matthews have met each summer since 1957 in various places in Texas and New Mexico.

Friday night cookout and gab-fest was hosted by Truman and Bess Matthews of Santa Anna and Dwight, Bobby and Tim Matthews of Burkett. Early Saturday morning coffee and snacks were hosted by Jeanette Brock of Santa Anna. Activities for Saturday included visitation, noon meal, an auction and business meeting along with children's games and contests, swimming, boating and a big evening meal. Sunday was a quiet time for meditation, prayer and much remembering and looking forward to



MEDICARE REPAIR

Medicare is on the financial critical list. The Congressional Budget Office says that the Medicare trust fund will be broke in the year 2001. It ran a deficit for the first time last year and will run a \$12 billion deficit this year.

On June 24, the Senate approved a prescription that will help save the Medicare system so it will be there for current and future generations of Americans.

The medicine includes a provision to slowly raise the eligibility age for future recipients from age 65 to age 67. This will take place by increasing the eligibility age one month each year for 24 years beginning in the year 2003.

In 1983, facing a Social Security system on the verge of bankruptcy, Congress and President Reagan changed the age provision in Social Security, raising the eligibility age gradually from 65 to 67 by the year 2027.

For example, if you were born in 1942, Social Security benefits and Medicare coverage will begin for you when you are 65 years and 10 months of age.

This measure will help to stabilize Medicare until badly needed structural reforms can be implemented to restore Medicare to sound financial health. It seems a reasonable step to take to ensure that Medicare still exists when Baby Boomers and Generation-Xers retire.

The alternative would be eventually to raise payroll taxes a whopping 250 percent on working families least able to afford it, or drastically reduce the coverage provided all beneficiaries.

To do nothing would be totally reckless. We had to make some tough decisions here. When Medicare was enacted, the average life expectancy for men at age 65 was about 13 more years, for women, about 16. In 2030, when the age provision is fully phased in, the average life expectancy for men at age 65 will have risen to 17 years, for women, to 20.5 years.

The Senate bill also includes a provision that increases the premium for Part B Medicare services for seniors making over \$50,000 a year and couples making over \$75,000 a year. (Part B is a voluntary program that includes all physician services after retirement.)

Congress and the President have the responsibility to meet this crisis, and 38 million Medicare beneficiaries have the right to expect decisive leadership rather than gimmicks.

This bill now goes to conference between the House and Senate and must be signed by the President. I would be interested in your views on this solution, and if you disagree with it, what thoughts you may have on how we can ensure Medicare will be there for every senior citizen now and in the future. 7.3.97

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Overheard - One woman to another: "The nicest thing I can say about her is that all her tattoos are spelled correctly."

Truman and Bess Matthews were elected president and vice president with Evelyn and Jack Dillingham as secretary for the 1998 reunion.

Guests attending were Billie Gregg of Santa Anna and Annie Mae Brimer of Valera. Family members from Santa Anna were Truman and Bess Matthews, Jeanette Brock, Tony and Geraldine Tucker, Bill and Betty Tucker, Virgil and Marie Lancaster, Jeannie and Rick Grissam and family, and Jack and Evelyn Dillingham.

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White bass are fair to good on slabs and spoons. David Chrz of Abilene recently caught an 11.22 pound largemouth bass.

Crappie are fair to good, being caught on shiners and jigs fished in about 20 to 30 feet of water.

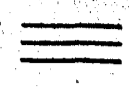
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TRICKHAM TIDBITS
 By Anna York

The July heat is taking its toll on everything now, it makes anyone think where did all the nice rains go back in the spring, we sure could use some, again and it would take a lot to fill the large cracks in my yard in the ground here. Hopefully it won't be too long before we have another good one.

Owen Tom and Sue Stacy of Abilene, Bill and Tavy Heidbrier of Fort Worth, Carolyn and Steve Sells and children, Colton, Carter and Shevawn of Bandera came to Marjorie Sullivan's home to be with her and attend the Trickham School Reunion on Saturday. Friday evening Marjorie and Carolyn and two sons, Carter and Colton attended the Coleman County Electric Cooperative. Marjorie won an ice box carry-all and the boys won a prize each and were real happy that they were present. Late Saturday evening Reba and Elvis Cozart visited with Marjorie.

Gayla and J. W. Sellers of Joshua spent three days the past week visiting with Royce and Wanda McIver. Their weekend guests were Sabrina and Artie Smith, Tiana and Daniel of Midland. They all attended the wedding of Grady Clay McIver and Brandi Horner in Santa Anna Saturday evening. James Hodges and son Cody of Clyde visited on Sunday with Royce and Wanda.

Word was received here last week of the death of Robert Jongemia of Corpus Christi, the husband of the former Reba Goodgion who was raised here in this community. We send our sympathy out to his family.

Rankin and Natalie McIver were at Eastland on Friday and picked up his sister Ethel Johnson to have visit them a few days. Sherrie Blake and Megan visited with them Sunday afternoon.

Bettie Martin visited in Brownwood on Tuesday with her mother Mrs. Mary Crawford. Paul Martin and son Colt of Santa Anna ate lunch Sunday with Bettie and Felton. Colt was celebrating his tenth birthday so in the evening Bettie and Felton went to Colt's house to have ice cream with him and his family.

Ted Nicholas and friend Bert Marks, students from Texas Tech at Lubbock spent the weekend with Ted's grandmother Mrs. Leona Henderson.

Lara Meckfessel of Brenham spent the weekend with her grandparents Mr. and Mrs. Talmadge McClatchy and cousin Nicholas Drienhofer. They helped Nicholas celebrate his 20th birthday.

Marjorie Sullivan visited on Wednesday afternoon with Verna and Arvil Bolton and later with Florence Stearns. Alice Wells of Coleman visited on Thursday with her mother and did some work for her. Friday evening Verna and Florence attended the electric coop meeting in Coleman and Saturday Verna attended the McIver-Horner wedding in Santa Anna. Alice Wells and grandchildren Amber Kirkpatrick and John Wells of Coleman visited Sunday afternoon with Florence.

Lea Mock and two grandchildren Lindsey and Ryan of Post and Bettie Miller of Austin spent the weekend with Mary Lea Mitchell. Peggy Miller of Eden spent Friday night with them and she and Judy Straughan of San Marcos spent Saturday night. Saturday evening Mary Kathryn Watts and Ollie Elva Peacock of Everman and Burl Fellers of Fort Worth and James Curtis visited with them. Sunday Loyd Mock of Post came to the Mitchell home.

Tim and Amy Kirk and Alexis of Brownwood were Sunday dinner guests of Shane and Tona Holland and children Jonathon and Charity.

Clara Cupps visited on Friday afternoon with Mrs. Winnie Haynes

Cheer Clinic To Be Held July 30 Through Aug. 1

The Santa Anna Varsity Cheerleaders will be holding a cheer clinic July 30 through August 1.

Girls in grade 2 through 6 will attend from 9 to 11 a.m. with the junior high session being held from 1 to 3 p.m.

Cost will be \$25 per child and \$15 for each additional family member attending.

Those attending are asked to wear short sets and tennis shoes. Parents or guardians must sign the release form for those attending.

Terri Jones is the cheerleader sponsor.

and Novella Stearns visited Sunday afternoon.

Allen Jones of Holiday spent Friday night with his parents Mr. and Mrs. Billy Jones, he brought his daughter Whitney Gunter back to return to her home at Glen Cove. Saturday Sherry Copley, Mrs. Tressa Gunter and two grandchildren Kallie and Brandon came and picked up Whitney and visited briefly.

Joda Fay and Seth Jenkins of Bangs visited on Saturday with Nikki and I, and Reba Cozart visited a while on Sunday.

Chase McShan and friend Jon Permenter of Brownwood visited on Monday with Annie Lou Vaughn and Mary Lou Jones visited on Wednesday.

Kit Dean spent the weekend with his parents Ray and Bobbie Dean.

The eighty-four club met Thursday night at the community center with fifteen present.

Mrs. Edna Laughlin spent the day Sunday in Brownwood with Billy Roy and Mildred Laughlin and attended a birthday party for her little great-grandson Kaylum Campbell who was celebrating his third birthday.

Rockwood Report

By Sandra Wilson

It clouded up Monday but as news times, no sign of rain. Guess we all need to get together and have an old fashioned rain dance.

Dorothea Whisenant her her ceramic class Sunday with Nell Hipp, Nell Gordon, Neva Arradonda and her daughter-in-law Loy, Daniel Wristen visited with Guy and Dorothea Sunday. Jim Fraser has been reported in about Cathy who is in the hospital at San Antonio.

Claudia Rutherford, Vivian Steward and Faye Wise went with Coleta Pearson to the REA annual meeting in Coleman Friday night. Jennifer Rutherford visited with her mother over the weekend. Sunday night the Spinner Club was at Claudia's including Jack and Skeeta Cooper, Minnie Bray and Sadie Bryan. Monday she was at Wanda Hagan's home, she hosted the Gouldbusk Forty-two Club.

Wednesday Minnie Bray and Sadie Bryan were in Brownwood. Pat Greener and Dee Dee McAlister arrived Friday night and spent the weekend with Sadie.

Visiting with Cecil and Pat Vance this past week were Pat's sister Bernice Sartaiamacchia of Los Angeles, CA and a niece Pat Doby of San Antonio. Cecil and Pat went to Thorndale for a family reunion Saturday.

Minnie Bray and Sadie Bryan were at the REA annual meeting Friday night in Coleman.

Jack and Skeeta Cooper were in Coleman for the REA annual meeting Friday night.

Wednesday evening Jr. and Nell Brusenhan and Minnie Bray were in Coleman at Bro. Jeff, Loma and Sara Dean's for Bible study. Sunday after church Bro. Jeff Dean had lunch with them. Monday they were at Simpson Lake visiting with Mr. and Mrs. Bailey Hull and their guests Mr. and Mrs. Harold Underwood.

Friday night Elec, Rose and Colt Cooper attended the Coleman County Electric Cooperative meeting in Coleman. Sunday they met Ronnie, Nola and Cade at Goldthwaite so that Colt could return home with his parents.

I spent Monday evening through Thursday afternoon at Hords Creek Lake. Saturday Bo and I were in

First Day Of School Unsettling For Aging Boomers...

By Mike Estes

(A re-print of an Aug. 4, 1996 article in the Lubbock Avalanche-Journal)

My five- and ten-year-old daughters married last night dressed in vanilla white gowns that bunched up on their childish frames like layers on ice cream cones.

A grinning Willie Nelson sang two solos in the West Texas country church where I was baptized (Rockwood). Hot church mice stole peeks. Two hundred hand fans waved in unison that said "Praise Jesus" on one side and "Eat More Beef" on the other.

I stood next to two bridegrooms I didn't know. Although I tried repeatedly, I couldn't make out their faces.

As my wedding dream faded out after the "I Do's" I was still squeezing the winning million dollar lottery ticket I had just purchased....

Last night I fell asleep with the sobering realization that my last daughter, who so recently posed on her mother's ultra-sound photo, would soon enter kindergarten.

This shock, along with three

chili dogs and a double malted milkshake, probably generated the evening's premature nuptials.

I never figured on all this. Cruising down Bachelor Boulevard in my mid-thirties, I crashed into Nancy with a dislocation unknown since I wrecked my 1968 Dodge Charger.

Willie regrettably could not sing at our wedding.

The now seemingly insignificant concerns about pregnancy, birth, potty training and chicken pox are past.

I worry whether my daughters live in the right neighborhood, have the right friends, attend good schools and churches.

Plus, it's no comfort that we range afar like prairie chickens to find even overpriced sno cones.

Until now, baseball's designed hitter rules excited me more than women's fight for equality.

But if anyone tells my girls to go to the back of the bus, well, I'll get my mother-in-law after them.

Buy Amy's first school bus ride is coming up.

Kids are not responsible for any scenes made by their parents the first school day.

Angie already has things happening to her ten-year-old body that I hoped would wait awhile. She is also already holding grudges. Children grow up early these days.

But, the pleasant surprises make it worthwhile.

Five-year-old Amy recently informed her playmates that as both a Fort Worth Museum School and Fort Worth Botanic Garden School graduate, she knows the names of all the plants and animals in the forest.

I'm reassured that she is a braggart like her daddy.

No one forced us aging baby boomers to produce children late in life.

We'll have to use electric cattle prods on ourselves to chase the rascals on middle-aged legs.

I'll likely view my younger daughter's wedding on the nursing home's closed circuit monitor.

I hope that when my daughters marry, they avoid the men-children that our society seems to increasingly produce, for whatever reason.

Some are my friends. They still don't know what jobs they want or who they are.

They seldom make commitments. Often they break the ones they do make.

Everyone else causes their problems.

I'd rather Amy and Angie marry liberal vegetarians who hate sports, if necessary, to find men who will consistently do a day's work.

Most of all, I want for them men who will keep promises when they say they will love and honor.

I already know who I want for in-laws.

They are the ones of last night's dream. Both sets paid for the weddings, own liquor stores, and sold me the winning lottery ticket.

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