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Commentary Corner

I would like to encourage readers of the Callahan County "Baird Star" to send any comments as to how our Newspaper could better service the town of Baird

Letting a minor drink could temporarily cost you your driver's license (Story Inside)

Loan Increases for Veterans (Front Page)

by
Gary Grady

BAIRD BEARS Sports, Events and News Spring 2005

Baird Varsity Baseball

April 22 - Baird VS Ranger 5:00 There
April 26 - Baird VS Albany 5:00 Home
April 29 - Baird VS Tolar 5:00 Home
May 3 - Baird VS Gorman 5:00 There

Bear Golf

April 25 - 26 - Regional Tournament Boys/Girls
Maxwell - Abilene
May 9 - 10 - State Tournament Boys/Girls
Morris Williams

Baird HS Track & Field

April 18 - 22 - Regionals
Upcoming Tests
April 21 - 22 - TAKS Test

Baird Elementary School Honor Roll

A Honor Roll

Grades - 4th: Esperanza Portillo, Kody Bryant - 5th: None
- 6th: Alexis Almanzar, Cody Hunter, Elisha Pritchett, Michelle Robbins

A-B Honor Roll

Grades - 4th: Hannah Owens, Kallie Pruet, Alex Villarreal, Rachel Butcher, Brenna Coffman, Sofia Dominguez, Candis Gilley, Diehlan Key, Rachel Villarreal - 5th: Melanie Cooper, Russell Hess, Katelynn Mitchell, Courtney Ringhoffer, Tyler White, Britany Cook, Danielle Farley, Ty Rhoads - 6th: Eric Ebeling, Sara Kunick, Jessica Nash, Alex Neal, Colton Fox, Lauren Hare, Aldolfo Portillo, Jameson Rountree, Mackenzie Keller

Baird Junior High School Honor Roll

A Honor Roll

Grades - 7th: Mitzy McDowell, Cassidy Miller, Holley Owens, Shelby Strickland - 8th: Patsy Dugan, Darryl Fox, Emalie Green, Ashlen Murff

A-B Honor Roll

Grades - 7th: Rainy Burks, Kristen Burns, Amber Clark, Fallon Donlan, Alysia Isenhower, Taylor Marks, Courtney Nail Brittny Russo, Rose Wamsley, Cody Isenhower - 8th: Ariel Banks, Jessica Bowen, Tara Davis, Logan Donlan, Garrett Jennings, Jesse Mendez, Billy Nail, Breanna Patterson, Stephanie Rollins, Emily Tumbusch, Morgan White

Baird Bears, Making The Grades

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The Baird Bears Stomp Cross Plains



Photos by Gary Grady

Baird Bears played an impressive game beating out Cross Plains 7 to 2 April 18th, 2005

Innings of Game

C. P. - 0 - 1 - 0 - 0 - 0 - 1 - 0

Baird - 1 - 3 - 0 - 1 - 2 - 0 - 0

!Way To Go! BHS

Neighboring News

We invite all our neighbors in Putnam, Moran, Cross Plains, Gorman, Desdemona, Morton Valley, Carbon, Olden, Strawn, Mingus, Santo, and Gordon to submit your local news and events to our newspapers: The Callahan County Baird Star, Cisco Press, The Rising Star, Eastland Telegram, and Ranger Times. We welcome your community news!

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Baird Elementary & Junior High

Starting on Tuesday, April 19th we will dismiss at 3:15 P.M. Buses will run at 3:20 P.M. This will be the daily release time until the end of the school year

Baird Elementary Walk For Diabetes

The fourth, fifth, and sixth grade classes participated in the Walk For Diabetes Friday April 15th. This is Baird's fourth year to participate. The money raised goes to the Diabetes Association to help find a cure. Thanks to Mrs. Strickland for all she did to help make the walk a success at Baird.

Teacher of the Week

This weeks teacher of the week is Jr. High Math teacher Dana Voigts. Mrs. Voigts has been a teacher at Baird for 28 years. Her favorite color is blue and her favorite food is Mexican food. in her free time she likes to travel. When asked what she enjoyed most about teaching she replied, "I enjoy the challenge of trying to make math interesting to 7th and 8th graders, who generally find math about as fascinating as watching grass grow. The teachers I had in Baird school have been some of the most wonderful and caring people that I have known. They encouraged and inspired me. I teach for the chance to do the same things my teachers did for me.

Student of the Week

This weeks student of the week is Jesse Mendez. Jesse's favorite food is pizza and his favorite color is black. When asked what he liked mostly about his teacher, Mrs. Voigts, he replied that she is a great Math teacher. His favorite subject in school is athletics. For fun Jesse likes to play sports.

Veterans News

Word has just been received from the Texas Veterans Land Board regarding an increase in the loan amount available for land purchases. The previous loan of \$40,000.00 has been increased to \$60,000.00. This is the first increase since 1994 on land loans. Another recent change lowered the minimum land purchase from five acres to one acre. The Department of Veterans Affairs has recently increased the loan amount for a home purchase to \$359,000.00 with no down payment required. It is expected that the Texas Veterans Land Board will also increase their home loan amount from \$240,000.00.

These figures are a far cry from \$10 - 15,000.00 V A Homes following WW II and the Korean War!! But gasoline was not \$2.15 a gallon then either...

Tom Ivey

4-H Horse Project Certification

To assure all 4-H members and horses are legal and signed up by May 1 of the 4-H year, 4-H members are encouraged to follow this procedure. Fill out a "4-H Member & Project Horse(s) Eligibility Certificate Form", listing any/all horses to be certified as projects and return form to the Extension Office. By having and maintaining a yearly file we hope to avoid questions/concerns about horse project ownership. Grade horse identification forms are also available for "grade" or unregistered horses.

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County 4-H Camp June 14-16

This year Callahan County 4-H is once again teaming up with McCullough, Coleman, Brown and Concho Counties 4-H to have a multi-county camp. This promises to be an enjoyable experience for all youth. The camp will be three days and two nights at the Brady Bible Camp in Brady, Texas. The dates will be June 14 - June 16. Cost will be \$40. If you are interested in attending, you need to let me know by June 1st.

Hope you can go - it's going to be a lot of fun.

Submitted by,
Robert Pritz, Callahan County Extension Agent

!Baird Star!

Callahan County (Baird) Star Classifieds

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FOR SALE: Nice 2 Bedroom, 2 Bath House in Rising Star city limits. Good location. \$45,000. Call after 5 p.m. (325) 660-9009 B52

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MOVED & NEED SPACE!! King pedestal waveless waterbed \$200; 7' inlaid wood dining table on two pedestals \$150; 90" earth tones sofa \$50; 10 pc. blue sectional \$100; 7' 9-drawer dresser w/mirror \$75; Pool Table 8' x 4' regulation, commercial style, 1" slate, balls, cues \$750. Dora (Smith) Warlick 254-725-6489. B17

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School Board Elections

For two seats: Allen Wilson, Kathy Byram, and incumbent Jim Dyer Windham
Early voting - will be held at superintendent office 600 W 7th from 7:30 am to 4:00 pm
Regular voting: will be at the Baird Superintendant office as well.

I never saw an ugly thing in my life: for let the form of an object be what it may, light, shade, and perspective will always make it beautiful.
—John Constable

Obituaries

Emily Virgie Haley Rushing

Emily Virgie Haley Rushing, 92, died Saturday, April 16, 2005 at her home in Eula, Texas.

Services were held Tuesday, April 1, 2005 at 10:30 a.m. at North's Memorial Chapel, Robert Chandler officiated. Burial was at Elmwood Cemetery under the direction of North's Funeral Home.

Ms. Rushing was born February 5, 1913 in Red River County, Texas to Robert and Mary Haley. She married Joe Bailey Rushing in 1930 in Texarkana, Arkansas and moved to Abilene in 1942. She was a member of Trinity Church of the Nazarene. She worked for Osborn's Cleaners for 21 years retiring in 1977. She moved in with her daughter and son-in-law in 1999 where she lived until her death.

She was preceded in death by her husband, a son, J.B. Rushing, Jr. Four grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

Survivors include five daughters, Bobbie McGuire of Montville, Conn., Shirley McCoy of Eula, Nancy Hunter of Hamby, Dodie Lundrum of Baird, and Lavone Gowen and husband of Dickinson, TX; one brother, Garvis Haley of Avery; 14 grandchildren; 22 great-grandchildren; and 3 great-great-grandchildren.

She would like to thank her son-in-law, Warren McCoy for helping care for her the past six years. Also Dr. Thomas Woodward, Dr. Melnyk, and Dr. Blackwood for the tenderness and care they gave her.

Susie Mae Burks

Susie Mae Burks, 96, of Abilene, died Saturday, April 16, 2005 at Windcrest Alzheimer's Care Center.

Funeral services were held at 2 p.m. Tuesday, April 19, 2005 at the North 5th and Grape St. Church of Christ directed by Parker Funeral Home of Baird. Benny Whitehead officiated, assisted by Kerry Clark. Burial followed in the Ross Cemetery in Baird.

Mrs. Burks was born in Callahan County on January 25, 1909, to William Holland Parks and Katie Lee (Smith) Parks. She was a lifelong resident of Abilene and attended school at Enterprise. She married Thomas Earl Burks on August 4, 1932, and was a rancher's wife. She was a member of the 5th and Grape Street Church of Christ in Abilene.

She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband, Earl; and a brother, Robert Lee Parks.

Survivors include two foster children, Robert Allen Burks of Baird and Vanessa Riley of Killeen; two brothers, Bruce Parks of Abilene and Jesse Parks of Abilene; a sister, Sarah (Parks) Gushall of Abilene; and several nieces and nephews.

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PETS & PEOPLE

Aussie Method Trains Any Dog in Hours, Not Weeks

(NAPS)—While pet owners would prefer their dog's bark be worse than its bite, constant barking can be particularly biting to the ears—and patience. A dog that jumps up on people, is too aggressive, or does not come when called can be difficult to live with as well. That's why experts say behavioral training is so important—and that lasting training isn't about treats and physical punishment. It's about understanding the way Fido thinks and communicating in a way that establishes the owner as top dog.

"Dogs are pack animals. They have a specific way of interacting, which includes an instinctual manner of communication. Learning how to communicate effectively with your dog in a language it understands is the first step toward establishing leadership and control," says Andrew Brooke, CEO of Bark Busters USA.

Bark Busters, founded in Australia in 1989, has trained more than 250,000 dogs worldwide and now has franchised offices in 30+ states. The Australian founders of Bark Busters, pioneers in animal behavior, developed a natural training technique that uses the same communication methods—body language and voice control—that dogs follow as part of their instinctual pack mentality. According to Brooke, the method can effectively train any dog—even puppies—in about two hours, with a dog owner's commitment to reinforce the training 10 minutes per day for a few weeks to ensure the learning becomes permanent.

He offers these pointers for dealing with misbehaving dogs:

- Dogs crave good leadership. If they don't get it from their owner, they'll take charge. That leads to bad behavior such as barking,



Canine Communications: One key to training a dog is to "speak" a language it understands.

jumping, aggression and pulling on the leash—each examples of the dog taking charge. Dogs will challenge for leadership in the home, just as a wolf will in the wild. The owner needs to win all challenges to demonstrate good leadership.

- There are several ways to establish leadership. First, ignore all requests from the dog, such as nudges to be petted, or played with. To do so, break eye contact. Then, when the dog has "given up," call him back to you to be petted or to play. When he responds to you, versus you to him, he sees you as the leader. If he misbehaves, such as chewing on a child's toy, correct his behavior with a forceful, low-toned growl ("BAH"). As soon as he stops, offer pleasant, high-toned praise. He will understand his mistake and respect you as his leader.

- In the wild the leader always leads the pack—physically. Establish your leadership by always leading your dog—up and down stairs, through doorways, and especially on walks. Remember, the leader always leads.

"This training method works with any dog, regardless of problem, age or breed," adds Brooke. The method is so successful, his company guarantees it for the life of the dog. Bark Busters has developed a Dog Behavior Quiz and dozens of dog training articles. For more information, visit www.barkbusters.com.

The precise geographic center of the continent of North America is in Rugby, North Dakota.

Send News to the Callahan County "Baird Star"

Ann Williams Real Estate

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- 50 acres wooded with oak trees, pond, 2 hills with 1 very large hill overlooking Lake Cisco, excellent home site or weekend property, deer, turkey, dove, quail. Possible owner financing, \$60,000.
- 60 acres by Lake Cisco, over half a mile or road frontage that is within 200 yds of Lake Cisco shoreline, mostly wooded with oak trees, hill overlooking Lake Cisco, canyons, deer, hogs, turkey, dove, quail, \$72,000.
- 77 acres completely wooded with oak trees, older mobile home, water well, wildlife includes deer, turkey, hogs & dove. \$115,500. An additional 16 ac. will be deeded without a title policy at no extra charge totaling the entire property to 83 ac. Eastland Co.
- 78 acres with nice camper & shed, thickly wooded with oak timber, 2 good size ponds, big hills, lots of wild life, hogs, dove, duck, quail, \$105,624.
- 81 acres completely wooded with oak and mesquite trees, 1 pond, 1 very large hill down to a creek bottom below, surrounded by large ranches, Stephens County, wildlife includes deer, turkey, hogs, dove, duck & quail. \$87,075.
- 83 acres mostly wooded with oak trees, easy access, good hunting/recreation property, deer, hogs, turkey, dove, quail. \$82,585.
- 90 acres wooded and open fields, trees include live oak, post oak & mesquites, 1 pond, seasonal creek, water well, turkey, hogs, dove, quail, \$120,000.
- 110 acres mostly wooded w/large mesquite timber, Eubank Creek runs through the property, 3 ponds, 2 hills, wildlife, minerals, deer, turkey, hogs, dove, duck, quail. \$995/ac.
- 117 acres mostly wooded with oak & mesquites, 3 fields, 3 ponds, pens, buildings, hilltop view, deer, turkey, hogs, dove, quail, duck, \$995/ac.
- 160 acres wooded with live oak, post oak & mesquite trees, 2 ponds & a creek, hills with views, waterline, electric, turkey, hogs, dove, duck & quail. \$895/ac.
- 169 acres, mostly wooded with oak timber, large hills, creeks, ponds, canyons, Eastland Co. deer, turkey, hogs, dove, duck, quail, \$1,500 per acre.
- 172 acres w/3BR home, barns, livestock pens, 2 ponds, headwaters of Leon River, water well, 40% wood, pastureland & fields, deer, turkey, dove, quail. \$189,200.
- 210 acres on Battle Creek, wooded with oak & mesquite, 1 small lake, Battle Creek is a large creek/small river size, lots of wildlife including deer, turkey, hogs, dove, duck, and quail. \$950 per acre. An additional 137 acres that joins the 210 acres can be purchased at \$600 per acre. Stephens Co.
- 217 acres, 80% fields and grassland, ponds, creek, hill, 20% oak and mesquite timber, Stephens Co. deer, turkey, hogs, dove, duck, quail, \$1,350 per acre.

- 2 BR, 1 bath home, carpet, attached storage, reduced to \$9,800.
- 3 BR, 1 bath home, separate outbuildings, reduced to \$16,500.
- 2 BR, 1 bath home, CH/A, fenced backyard, corner property, \$23,000.
- 2 BR, 1 3/4 bath home, vinyl siding, double carport with attached storage, fenced backyard, reduced to \$25,000.
- 3 BR, 1 bath home, large rooms, separate dining room plus space in kitchen for table, some wood floors, WBFP, carport, 2 storage bldgs, \$27,000.
- 3 BR, 1 bath home, separate big kitchen, woodburning heater in LR, large pecan trees, \$33,000.
- 2 BR, 1 bath home, could be converted into a 2BR home, 6 ceiling fans, inside and outside recently repainted and carpet replaced, oversized yard, \$35,000.
- 3 BR, 1 bath home inside has been recently repainted & floor covering replaced, also has CH/a, 5 ceiling fans, carport with storage, fenced back yard, \$36,000.
- 2 BR, 1 bath home, separate office or den, CH/A, carport, corner property, reduced to \$36,000.
- 3 BR, 1 bath older brick veneer home, separate dining room and breakfast nook with built in cabinets, storm windows, detached garage/storage, corner property, \$39,500.
- 2 BR, 1 3/4 bath home, brick, attached garage, covered patio, detached guest room with full bath, shop, fenced back yard, \$49,500.
- 3 BR, 1 1/2 bath brick veneer home, CH/A, storm windows, attached garage, large covered patio, carport/RV storage, 2 metal bldgs., fenced backyard, city water plus water well.
- 5 BR, 2 bath, 2 story home, lots of character, formal DR, office, large rooms, mostly wooden floors, 2 CH/A units, surrounded by large oak and pecan trees, large corner property. Reduced to \$79,500.

2 BR Home, deck, boat dock, large oak trees, reduced to \$25,000.
2 BR, CH/A, partially furnished, lots of parking space, storage building, boat dock, \$59,000.
Large 4 BR, 1 3/4 bath 2 story home, 2 CH/A units, woodburning heater, several extra closets, balcony off master BR, shop, 4 vehicle carport, covered boat dock with boat lift, septic system recently replaced.
Beautiful 2 BR, 1 3/4 bath home, CH/A, WBFP, shop, storage bldg., large landscaped yard, tall oak trees, boat dock, great view of lake from DR, LR, den and master BR, many extras.
Must see - Lovely 4 BR, 2 bath home, CH/A, large detached metal building has racquetball court and large gameroom. Many extras including inground pool.

Restaurant with large dining room, eqpt. and furniture, \$38,500. C.wner would sell bldg. without eqpt. & furniture for less. Call for details.
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2005 Cisco Folklife Festival 2005



April 23—24
Cisco Junior College

Festival Hours:

Saturday 10:30AM—6:00PM

Sunday 11:00AM—4:00PM

Admission:

ADULTS \$2.00

CHILDREN \$1.00

Get your hand stamped on Saturday and
get in free on Sunday!

FRIDAY NITE - April 22

Lions Club Barbecue Dinner

5:00PM—7:00PM

Musical entertainment by *Tim Turnbeaugh*

Pre-tickets \$5.50, child \$3.50 At the door \$6.00, child \$4.00

Located in the Food Tent on the grounds of CJC

CJC Fine Arts Dept. proudly presents **“Sounds of Spring”**

Directed by *Manuel Martinez*, featuring the *Wrangler Brass, Jazz Ensemble and the CJC Concert Band*

With Guest Saxophone Soloist, *William Owens*

7:30PM at the Harrell Fine Arts Building Auditorium - Admission is Free

SATURDAY SCHEDULE - April 23

PARADE - 10:00AM

Sponsored by the Cisco Chamber of Commerce

FOLKLIFE FESTIVAL OPENS - 10:30AM

Entertainment, Arts and Crafts Sales Booths, Food Vendors,

Bread & Cinnamon Rolls & Demonstrations

All Open From 10:30AM—6:00PM

Sunday hours are 11:00 AM—4:00 PM

Sidewalk Art Contest Begins -

10:30AM—12:00 NOON



presents :

“Stars Over Cisco” Variety Show

at the Hilton Community Center

7:00PM—9:00PM \$5 per person

Cisco Folklife Festival Is April 23 & 24

Signs of a beautiful spring are starting to unfold with blossoms of plums, pears, Forsythia starting to show. Robins are bobbin' along and whispers of another Cisco Folklife Festival, like bees a-buzzin', are getting louder, as the powers of nature unfold. This year's festival will be on Saturday, April 23 and Sunday, April 24, 2005.

The ladies of Cisco Civic League have been thinking about the festival for several months now and various committees have been meeting to make sure that the event is a well-organized success again this year.

President Emma Watts opens the regularly scheduled meetings on the second Thursdays of each month from September through May. Excitement is in the air as committee chairpersons give progress reports. The members feel it is time to start letting everyone know what is coming up for the 32nd

Annual Cisco Folklife Festival this spring, so here goes.

Many of the favorite attractions, including the Lion's Barbecue on the Friday Night before the festival, downtown parade on Saturday morning, food booths, vendors, live entertainment, children's games, and demonstrations of pioneer skills on the Cisco Junior College Campus in Cisco will be much the same. There are a few changes, however, including a "Stars over Texas" Music Variety Show, sponsored by FM 105 KCER, Cisco's Community Radio Station, on Saturday night at the Hilton Community Center. Another change is that there will not be a breakfast and trail ride and from the Lake Cisco Park this year, nor will there be a golf scramble.

So, mark your calendars for April 23 & 24th and have fun at the 32nd Annual Cisco Folklife Festival.



Band members include (l-r) Frank Spangler, David Randall, Bob (Javier) Sitton and Chris Spangler

Javier And The Wingnutz To Entertain At Cisco Folklife Festival April 23

"Javier and the Wingnutz" will appear April 23 at the Cisco Folklife Festival. "Javier and the Wingnutz" are an oldies band with members who live locally. They play hits from the 50's, 60's and 70's. Frank Spangler has been playing music for many years and plays lead guitar and vocalist. Some of the locals may remember him from a local band called "Southbound."

Spangler plays rhythm guitar and also has had experiences playing with area talent.

David Randall plays a five string electric bass guitar and is the only member who lives "out in the country" near Morton Valley.

On percussion is Bob (Javier) Sitton, who when asked about where the band's name came from, will cheerfully reply, "Wingnutz was the silliest one I could think of."

Frank's son, Chris



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Welcome you to the
2005 Folk Life Festival!!

First United Methodist Church of Cisco
invites you to join with us for
early service on Sunday, the 24th of
April, at 8:30AM, on your way to
way to Folk Life Festival, of course!!

Have fun at the 32nd
Folklife Festival!

Ruth Schaefer Stewart, L.P.C.

Welcome To The Cisco Folklife Festival
Cisco Press

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Cisco Folklife Festival Variety Of Entertainment

This year's Cisco Folklife Festival on April 23 & 24 will have many hours of wholesome entertainment for the family. Cisco's own Tim Turnbeaugh will be tuning up his guitar and will be the featured singer at the Lion's barbecue at Cisco Junior College on Friday night before the Festival begins. He will appear on the entertainment schedule during the Festival and will also be in the KCER "Star's over Texas" Concert at the Mobley Hilton on Saturday night April 23.

Tim was born in Eastland, Texas in 1982 and was raised in Cisco. He started taking guitar lessons from Carl Whitely of Cisco. Tim's teacher introduced him at some of the Country/Western musicals around the area. Later Tim started doing some shows on his own.

Tim says that he has been influenced by Garth Brooks, George Strait, and Gary Morris as well as Cisco Junior College music instructors Ms. Sandy Abel and Mr. Mark Best.

Tim started performing at the Cross Timbers Country

Opry in Stephenville. He has also been a participant in the Macy's Thanksgiving day Parade in 2002. Some of his other accomplishments include being a Colgate Country Showdown Contestant (2002-2004), Colgate Country Showdown Finalist (2004), and Cross Timbers Country Opry Male Vocalist Nominee (2003-2004).

Tim has performed with several groups including Brushy Creek, CJC Singers, Javier and the Wingnutz Carroll Parham and the Country Express, the Acousticatz, Jimmy Eaves and Pure Country, as well as with Mark Best and the Texas Fiddlers.

Tim has also had opportunities to perform with some celebrities such as Sons of the San Joaquin, Jan Howard, David Ball, Gary Morris, and Branson entertainers Wade and Tonyia Landry.

It is easy to see that Tim has a zest for living, and that he pours his heart into singing. This year's Folklife Festival fans are sure to enjoy hearing Tim Turnbeaugh sing again.



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2005 Folklife Festival Entertainment Schedule

FRIDAY, April 22nd

5:00PM - 7:00PM Cisco Lions Club Barbecue Dinner

With Tim Turnbeaugh—LIVE Country Music

SATURDAY, April 23rd

11:00AM-11:30AM 4-Seasons Fun & Fitness

11:30AM-12:00PM 4 Seasons—Karate

12:00PM-12:30PM Donna Parrigan Singers

12:35PM -1 :00PM "Slebert Singers"—Eastland Elementary

1:00PM "Starlight Twirlers"—Ashley Andrews & Cassidy Lane

1:25PM - 2:00PM "De Caradova Dancing Divas"

2:00PM - 2:30PM Kindergarten Singers—Cisco Elementary School

2:30PM - 3:00PM "GLORIFY"—Brenda Thomas & Deryl Hirst

SIDEWALK ART CONTEST WINNERS ANNOUNCED—Tabitha Jordan

3:00PM- 4:00PM "4 & MORE" - Al Anderson

4:00PM - 4:30PM Carl Whitely

4:30PM -5:30 PM "Javler and the Wing Nuts"

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SUNDAY, April 24th

12:30PM- 1:00PM Lone Star Cheer Empire Cheerleaders

1:00PM - 1:30PM Wrangler Belles

1:30PM- 2:00PM CJC Band

2:00PM - 3:00PM "PAPER CLIPS", the Tony Sanchez Band

3:00PM - 4:00PM Greg White, Chad Donoho, Frank Spangler

2005 Arts & Crafts Vendors

NAME	MERCHANDISE	LOCATION
Brenda Adams	Silver Jewelry	G15
Artistic Designs	Tilley Hats & Travel ware	S18
Begioni, Gail	Cell Phone Jewelry	Z8
Biggerstaff, Chris & Jerry	Western Metal & Collectibles	G32/33
Carr, Jacqueline	Tupperware	S11
Coyote Flats	Home décor, Yard Art, Wreaths	G27/28
Crafty Ladies	Arts, Crafts, Home made Jelly, Aprons/Frames	S67
Crofttt, Stephen	Diabetic Meters & Test Supplies	G29
Crutchfield, Linda	Afghans, Soap, Crazy Quilts	G30
Douangkeson, Novie	Hats, Purses, T-Shirts	O
Downing, Myrtle	Pocket Knives, Inflatables, etc.	S5
First Baptist Church Youth	Krispy Kreme Donuts	G40
Foster, Lynda	T-Shirts, Decals, Flags, Lobo Items	S19
4 Seasons Fun & Fitness	Sand Art, Beaded Animal Packs	O
Glitz Gift Shop	Sun Glasses, Purses, Gifts, etc.	G13/14
Gray, Cathy	Pottery	G5
Green, Glenna	Crafts & Jewelry	G18/19
Hamilton, Michelle	Night Lights, Suncatchers, etc.	G10/11
Helms, Glenda	Western Décor	G20/21
Hillside Quilters	Quilt Demonstration, Benefit Drawing	G48
Hise, Jo	Baby Bags, Blankets, Burp Cloths	G31
Hock, Velva	Jewelry, Purses, Wallets	G37
Ingraham, Bernice	Water Purifying Systems	G25
Keating, Sandy	Sterling and handmade Jewelry, Candy	S9
Koenig, Lucille	Watkins Products, Pro Adjustor demo	S20
Landscapes & More	Container Plants & Wood Crafts	O
Langford, Jeremy	Internet Service Provider	O
Lutheran Church Women	Designer Coffee	S16
Manning, Bob & Janice	Purses, Die Cast Collectible Cars	S1/2
McLaren, Bobbie	Sterling Jewelry, Magnetic Therapy Jewelry	G4
McBeth, Jerry	Crafts	S4
McFadden, Linn	Southwest style Sterling Silver Jewelry	G1
McGrath, Dorothy	Wood items, Yard Signs, T-Shirts, etc.	S13/14
McNeal Frances	Glass, Antiques, Uniques, eye catchers	O
M & M Clothing	T-Shirts, Caps, Purses, Wind Chimes, Sandals	G2/3
Mendoza, Eppy	Sport Plaques and Toys	O
Meyer, Shirley	Jewelry	S17
Pony Pal	Tree Swings	G39
Ramsaier, Tina	Hand beaded Jewelry, Silver Charms, Toys	G36
Reed, Elaine	Decorative Pillows	S12
Schaefer, Kerri	Painted Stools	G41
Sims, Jan	Jewelry	G24
Slaughter, Mary	Crafts	G35
Smith, Bruce	Custom Made Jewelry	G12
Sons of Confederate Veterans	Confederate Memorabilia, Books, Flags	O
T & T Video	Movies	G42
Tarter, John	Plaques, Jewelry, T-Shirts	G45
Wagner, Patsy	Small Wood Items, Jewelry	G50
Watkins Family Sales	Collectible Knives, Daggers, Western Décor	O
J. Wilks, Art	Photographer, Watercolor Paintings	G40
Williams, Chris	Candles & Pottery	G44
Young, Teddy	Painted Furniture, Signs, Wood & Tin Items	G26

G = Gym

S = Sub

O = Outside

Cisco Folklife Festival Foods

As the Cisco Folklife Festival, scheduled for April 23-24, nears Food Booth Chairman Brenda Harrison reports that there are some new additions to the all time favorite foods. This year Mountain Top Church will be featuring a new item: Onion Blossoms. There will also be funnel cakes, snow cones, Nachos, hot dogs, and Frito Pies.

The Knights of Columbus will have roasted corn-on-the-cob and fajitas. The Class of 2007 will have Chili and other items. The Senior Class will have their famous Taco Salad, hamburgers and cheese burgers.

Cooder's will have a barbecue plate and barbecue sandwiches. The Old Gospel Church will have Turkey legs and Sausage-on-a-stick.

The Strawberry Shortcake booth will feature luscious strawberries on shortbread, topped with whipped cream. Yummm! Peggy Ledbetter says that they ordered 45

flats of strawberries last year. She says that the local Brookshire's Grocery Store is very helpful in getting the best strawberries available. The food booths will be under the large tent on the Cisco Junior College Campus. There will also be a Booth for soft drinks.

Bread Booth cook Vernel Reich says that they will be ordering supplies for the Festival. Last year they ordered over 500 pounds of flour to make loaves of bread and cinnamon rolls. She says that the bread and rolls are sold as fast as they come out of the oven in the Student Union Cafe.

The Cisco Civic League members and vendors are looking forward to serving up some wonderful foods. Just follow your nose to find taste delights at the 35th Annual Cisco Folklife Festival April 23-24 on top of the hill at the Cisco Junior College Campus just north of Cisco.



Cisco Folklife Festival Demonstrations

We are looking forward to this year's Folklife Festival Demonstrations on April 23 & 24th at Cisco Junior College Campus in Cisco. Chairlady Diane Waggoner reports that in addition to the all-time favorite demonstrations there will be a new demonstration this year.

Cathy Gray from Caddo Texas will be bringing a potter's wheel to demonstrate the ancient art of throwing pottery. Seven years ago she decided to take a six weeks pottery class at a local community college. She had always loved pottery and had dreamed of having a set of pottery dishes. After taking the short course she realized that she not only loved seeing pottery, she loved creating it. Within a year she quit her good-pay-

ing job to become a full time pottery artist. Cathy lives at Caddo, Texas and operates a business from her studio at her residence. Cathy teaches pottery classes at the Breckenridge Fine Arts Center, with Cisco Civic League member Ruth Stewart presently enrolled in her classes.

Ruth Stewart says that she is mesmerized as she watches Cathy Gray create beautiful shapes with the pottery wheel. It is almost like poetry in action. Ruth thinks that people of all ages will be fascinated by the pottery-making process.

In addition to the pottery-making, there will be demonstrations of the cornhusk dolls, making rings, and other things. The young-at-heart will enjoy making some items and watching the demonstrations.

I'm looking forward to greeting YOU

at Folk Life Festival 2005!

Janice Ferguson

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Folklife Festival

Food Vendors

Civic League - Homemade Bread and Cinnamon Rolls
Civic League - Strawberry Shortcake
Mountain Top Church - Nachos, Snow Cones, Frito Pie, Hot Dogs & Chili Dogs
Cooder's BBQ - BBQ Plates & BBQ Sandwiches
Cotton Candy, Candied Apples
Mountain Top Church Youth - Funnel Cakes, Onion Blossoms
Project Graduation - Hamburgers, Taco Salad
Knights of Columbus - Fajitas, Corn on the Cob
Grace Sitton - Pancit Canton Plate, Wonton Soup w/dumplings, Cake
Class of 2007—Indian Bread with Chili
Old Gospel Assembly—Turkey Legs, Sausage on a Stick
David Gaines—Potato Crisps
Hickle's Concessions—Foot Long Corn Dogs
Phi Theta Kappa—Home-Made Ice Cream
Triple G Café—Catfish Sandwiches, Lemon Shake-Up
Bruce Bowen—Shrimp Kabobs, Cajun Battered Chicken



Cisco Folklife Festival Features Special Coffees

This year the Cisco Folklife Festival feature a new addition of special Coffees in the Student Union

Building. In years past visitors have been able to get a regular cup of joe from the bread booth. This year coffee-lovers are sure to be delighted with the many flavors offered by the local Lutheran Women.

Jean Strobel reports that there will be organic coffees including a Breakfast Blend, French Roast, and Mind, Body & Soul. Flavored coffees will include French Vanilla and Hazelnut Creme.

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Folklife Demonstrations

All demonstrations are ongoing throughout the Festival.

Stained "glass" paper Heart Ornament
Making a Corn Husk Doll
Making a Friendship Bracelet
Making a Noodle Necklace
Face Painting
Rock Tumbling
Corn Grinding
Silver Smithing—Make a silver ring
Pottery "Throwing" Demonstration

Children's Sidewalk Art Contest - Sat 10:30A-12NOON
Sidewalk Art Winners announced at 3:00PM Saturday
(in the Entertainment Tent)

Folk Life Festival is proud and happy to present the talented pottery artist, Cathy Gray, Caddo, TX, as a part of the 2005 Folk Life Demonstrations.



some of the above demonstrations offer a take home item

Thunderstorms...

Thunderstorms affect relatively small areas when compared with hurricanes and winter storms. Despite their small size, ALL thunderstorms are dangerous! The typical thunderstorm is 15 miles in diameter and

lasts an average of 30 minutes. Of the estimated 100,000 thunderstorms that occur each year in the United States, about 10 percent are classified as severe.

1,800 thunderstorms occur at any moment around the world. That's 16 million a year!

What Are Thunderstorms? What Causes Them?

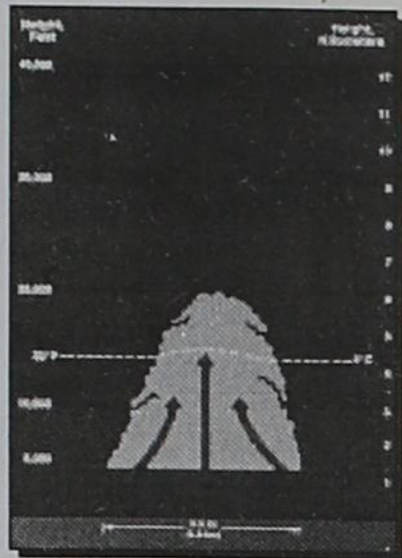
- The National Weather Service considers a thunderstorm severe if it produces hail at least 3/4-inch in diameter, winds of 58 mph or stronger, or a tornado.
- Every Thunderstorm Needs:

Moisture – to form clouds and rain.

Unstable air – warm air that can rise rapidly.

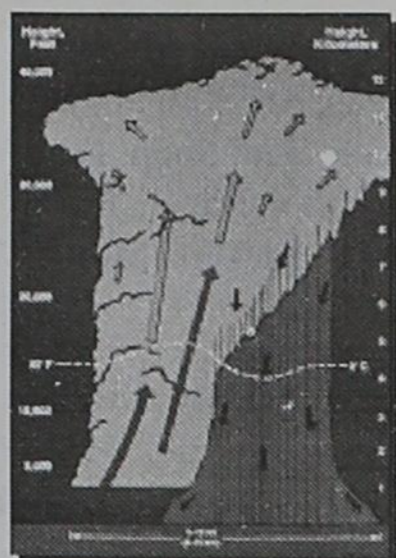
Lift – cold or warm fronts, sea breezes, mountains, or the sun's heat are capable of lifting air to help form thunderstorms.

Life Cycle of a Thunderstorm



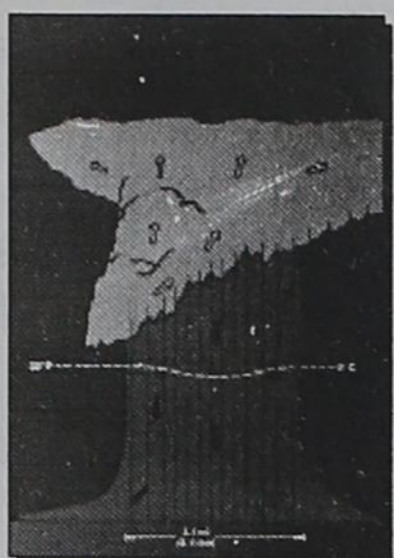
Developing Stage

- Towering cumulus cloud indicates rising air.
- Usually little if any rain during this stage.
- Lasts about 10 minutes.
- Occasional lightning.



Mature Stage

- Most likely time for hail, heavy rain, frequent lightning, strong winds, and tornadoes.
- Storm occasionally has a black or dark green appearance.
- Lasts an average of 10 to 20 minutes but may last much longer in some storms.



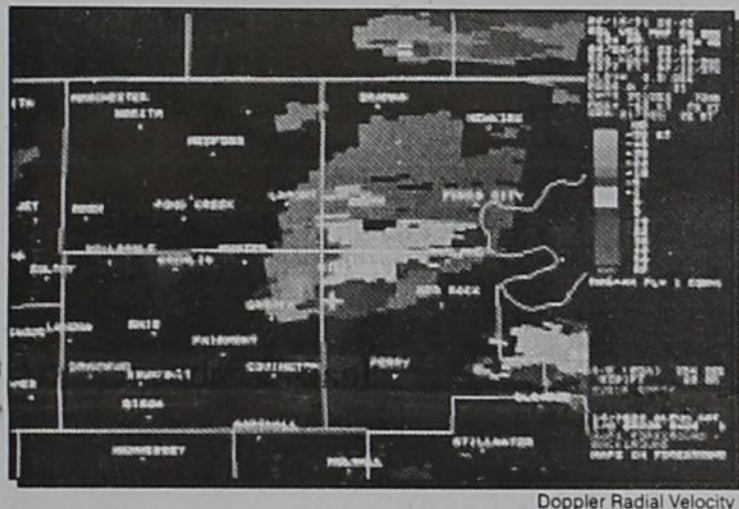
Dissipating Stage

- Rainfall decreases in intensity.
- Can still produce a burst of strong winds.
- Lightning remains a danger.

Weather Radar Watches the Sky

The National Weather Service has strategically located Doppler radars across the country that can detect air movement toward or away from a radar. Early detection of increasing rotation aloft within a thunderstorm can allow life-saving warnings to be issued before the tornado forms. In the figure below left, Weather Service Doppler radar detected strong

rotation within the storm where red colors (winds blowing away from the radar) and green (winds blowing toward the radar) are close together. The photograph at below right shows a violent tornado in northern Oklahoma at the same time the radar image was taken.



Doppler Radial Velocity



Jim Ladue

Tornado Myths and Truths

MYTH: Areas near lakes, rivers, and mountains are safe from tornadoes.

TRUTH: No place is safe from tornadoes. A tornado near Yellowstone National Park left a path of destruction up and down a 10,000 foot mountain.

MYTH: The low pressure with a tornado causes buildings to "explode" as the tornado passes overhead.

TRUTH: Violent winds and debris slamming into buildings cause most structural damage.

MYTH: Windows should be opened before a tornado approaches to equalize pressure and minimize damage.

TRUTH: Leave the windows alone. The most important action is to immediately go to a safe shelter.

MYTH: If you are driving and a tornado is sighted, you should turn and drive at right angles to the storm.

TRUTH: The best thing to do is to seek the best available shelter. Many people are injured or killed when remaining in their vehicles.

MYTH: People caught in the open should seek shelter under highway overpasses.

TRUTH: Take shelter in a sturdy reinforced building if at all possible. Overpasses, ditches, and culverts may provide limited protection from a tornado, but your risk will be greatly reduced by moving inside a strong building.

Frequently asked questions about tornadoes can be found on the Internet at www.sp.noaa.gov/faq/tornado/index.html.

Tornadoes...

Although tornadoes occur in many parts of the world, they are found most frequently in the United States. In an average year, 1,200 tornadoes cause 70 fatalities and 1,500 injuries nationwide. You can find statistical information on tornadoes at www.sp.noaa.gov.

Tornado Facts

- A tornado is a violently rotating column of air extending from a thunderstorm to the ground.
- Tornadoes may appear nearly transparent until dust and debris are picked up or a cloud forms within the funnel. The average tornado moves from southwest to northeast, but tornadoes have been known to move in any direction.
- The average forward speed is 30 mph but may vary from nearly stationary to 70 mph.
- The strongest tornadoes have rotating winds of more than 250 mph.
- Tornadoes can accompany tropical storms and hurricanes as they move onto land.
- Waterspouts are tornadoes which form over warm water. They can move onshore and cause damage to coastal areas.

When and Where Tornadoes Occur

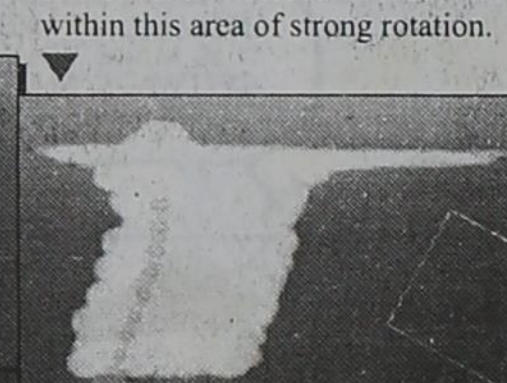
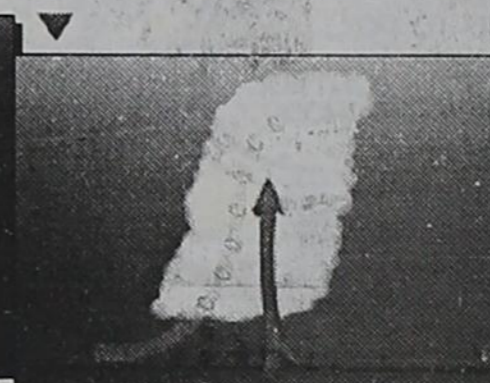
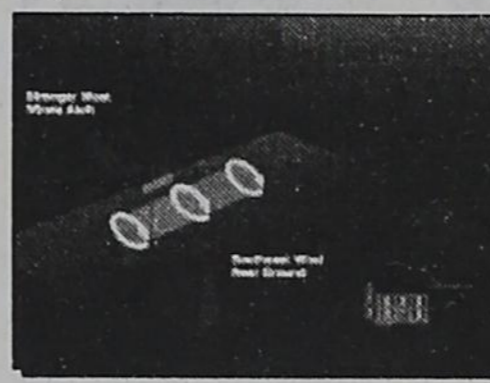
- Tornadoes can occur at any time of the year.
- Tornadoes have occurred in every state, but they are most frequent east of the Rocky Mountains during the spring and summer months.
- In the southern states, peak tornado occurrence is March through May, while peak months in the northern states are during the late spring and summer.
- Tornadoes are most likely to occur between 3 and 9 p.m. but can happen at any time.

How Tornadoes Form

Before thunderstorms develop, a change in wind direction and an increase in wind speed with increasing height creates an invisible, horizontal spinning effect in the lower atmosphere.

Rising air within the thunderstorm updraft tilts the rotating air from horizontal to vertical.

An area of rotation, 2-6 miles wide, now extends through much of the storm. Most tornadoes form within this area of strong rotation.



Tornadoes Take Many Shapes and Sizes

Weak Tornadoes

- 88% of all tornadoes
- Less than 5% of tornado deaths
- Lifetime 1 - 10+ minutes
- Winds less than 110 mph



Charles Dowell III

Strong Tornadoes

- 11% of all tornadoes
- Nearly 30% of all tornado deaths
- May last 20 minutes or longer
- Winds 110-205 mph



Mary Hurley

Violent Tornadoes

- Less than 1% of all tornadoes
- 70% of all tornado deaths
- Lifetime can exceed 1 hour
- Winds greater than 205 mph



Peter Willing

In recent years, people have been killed by lightning while:

- ✓ boating
- ✓ standing under a tree
- ✓ riding a horse
- ✓ swimming
- ✓ riding on a lawnmower
- ✓ playing soccer
- ✓ golfing
- ✓ talking on the telephone
- ✓ fishing in a boat
- ✓ bike riding
- ✓ loading a truck
- ✓ mountain climbing

Lightning Myths and Truths

MYTH: If it is not raining, then there is no danger from lightning.

TRUTH: Lightning often strikes outside of heavy rain and may occur as far as 10 miles away from any rainfall. This is especially true in the western United States where thunderstorms sometimes produce very little rain.

MYTH: The rubber soles of shoes or rubber tires on a car will protect you from being struck by lightning.

TRUTH: Rubber-soled shoes and rubber tires provide NO protection from lightning. The steel frame of a hard-topped vehicle provides increased protection if you are not touching metal. Although you may be injured if lightning strikes your car, you are much safer inside a vehicle than outside.

MYTH: People struck by lightning carry an electrical charge and should not be touched.

TRUTH: Lightning-strike victims carry no electrical charge and should be attended to immediately. Contact your local American Red Cross chapter for information on CPR and first aid classes.

MYTH: "Heat lightning" occurs after very hot summer days and poses no threat.

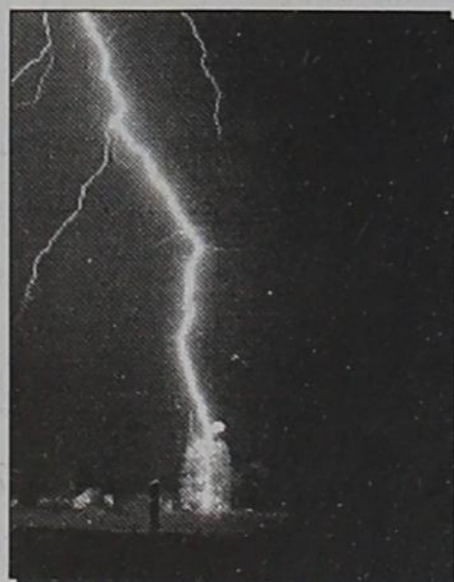
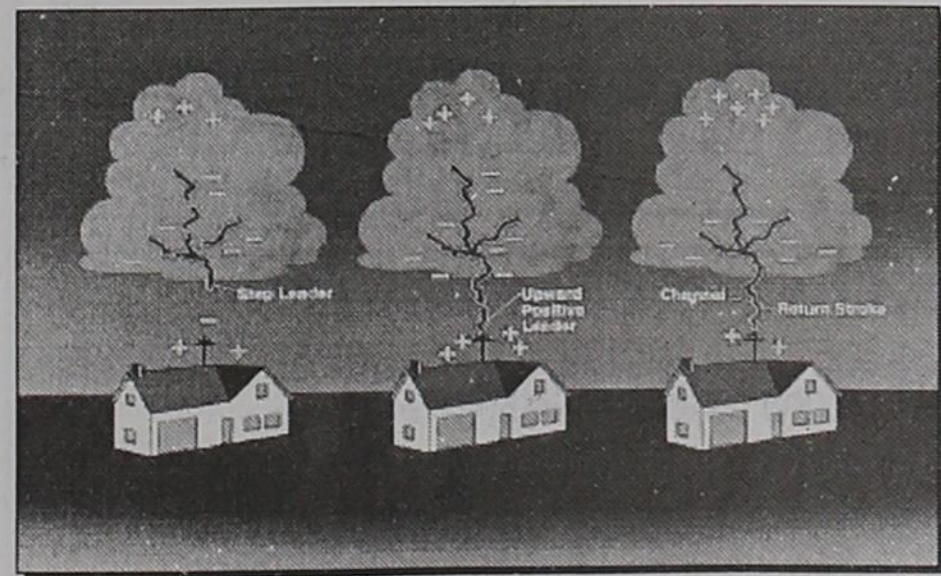
TRUTH: "Heat lightning" is a term used to describe lightning from a thunderstorm too far away for thunder to be heard.

Lightning...

How Lightning Forms

Lightning results from the buildup and discharge of electrical energy between positively and negatively charged areas. Rising and descending air within a thunderstorm separates these positive and negative charges. Water and ice particles also affect charge distribution.

A cloud-to-ground lightning strike begins as an invisible channel of electrically charged air moving from the cloud toward the ground. When one channel nears an object on the ground, a powerful surge of electricity from the ground moves upward to the clouds and produces the visible lightning strike.



Johnny Autery

Lightning Facts

- Lightning causes an average of 80 fatalities and 300 injuries each year.
- Lightning occurs in all thunderstorms; each year lightning strikes the Earth 20 million times.
- The energy from one lightning flash could light a 100-watt light bulb for more than 3 months.
- Most lightning fatalities and injuries occur when people are caught outdoors in the summer months during the afternoon and evening.
- Lightning can occur from cloud-to-cloud, within a cloud, cloud-to-ground, or cloud-to-air.
- Many fires in the western United States and Alaska are started by lightning.

■ The air near a lightning strike is heated to 50,000°F—hotter than the surface of the sun! The rapid heating and cooling of the air near the lightning channel causes a shock wave that results in **thunder**.

How far away is the Thunderstorm?

- Count the number of seconds between a flash of lightning and the next clap of thunder.
- Divide this number by 5 to determine the distance to the lightning in miles.



Robert Prentiss

30/30 Lightning Safety Rule

Go indoors if, after seeing lightning, you cannot count to 30 before hearing thunder. Stay indoors for 30 minutes after hearing the last clap of thunder.

Texas Department of State Health Services

Will hold the following Immunization clinics in Callahan County

Monday, May 9th
Baird Cafetorium 400 W. 7th
Time 10:00am-12:00pm

Wednesday May 4th
Clyde First Baptist Church 216 Austin
Times 10:00am-12:00pm & 1:30pm-3:00pm

Please bring child's Immunization Records
For more information call 325/754-4945

Callahan County Photography Project

We are in the process of starting this year's county-wide Photography Project. Kamie Pruet has offered to serve as Project Leader. We will have our first outing of the year on April 30. We will be taking a tour of some of our local ranches hoping to be able to "Catch the Colors of Spring". We will meet at the County Courthouse at 1:00 pm and then travel to selected locations in the Baird vicinity. Mark your calendars for April 30th if you want to be part of the photography project.

Submitted by, Robert Pritz,
Callahan County Extension Agent

Baird I.S.D. Lunch Menu

April '05'

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| Thursday, April 21
Fish Strips/Tartar Sauce,
Tossed Salad, Fresh Fruit,
Macaroni & Cheese, Hot
Roll, Milk | Tuesday, April 26
Tacos/Grated Cheese,
Spanish Rice, Pinto Beans,
Lettuce & Tomatoes,
Assorted Fresh Fruit Milk |
| Friday, April 22
Hamburger, Lettuce, Tom. &
Pickle, Baked French Fries,
Carrot Sticks, Pudding,
Milk | Wednesday, April 27
Chicken Fried Steak,
Augratin Potatoes, Mixed
Vegetables, Hot Roll, Fancy
Gelatin, Milk |
| Monday, April 25
Grilled Cheese Sandwich,
Vegetable Beef Soup, Fresh
Broccoli w/Ranch, Fruit
Cup, Crackers, Milk | Thursday, April 28
Spaghetti w/Meat Sauce,
Corn, Tossed Salad, Garlic
Bread, Fruit Cobbler, Milk |

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The rail corridors in question are:

- Dallas to Ft. Worth
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- Adams to Irving (Lewisville) (Dallas-Fort Worth Railtran Systems)
- Katy to Seguin
- Fort Worth to Waco
- Waco to Temple
- Temple to Austin
- Austin to San Antonio
- Sweetwater to Maryneal
- Maryneal to San Angelo

AT&T, which owns telecommunications cable on the properties,

has agreed to pay net compensation benefits of up to approximately \$1.60 per linear foot to qualifying claimants.

If you, or an estate or entity you represent, own or have owned land along these corridors, your rights may be affected by the proposed legal settlement.

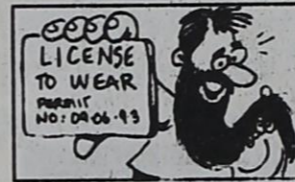
For more information or forms, contact The Texas Case TeleCable Settlement Center by calling 1-800-436-6136, writing P.O. Box 131110, Dallas, TX 75313-1110, or e-mailing TeleCableCenter@ecg.com. The settlement home page is <http://att.fsiwebs.net/rccorridors>.

The deadline to comment on, object to or opt out of the settlement is May 14, 2005. A fairness hearing is scheduled in Dallas on July 7, 2005, and the deadline for filing a claim is August 15, 2005.

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By Wes Alexander



Beards were once placed under government control in Rumania. Whiskers could be worn only if the owner secured an official permit, and paid the appropriate fee.

LEGISLATION BY REPRESENTATIVE FLORES HOLDS ADULTS ACCOUNTABLE FOR GIVING KIDS ACCESS TO ALCOHOL

Automatic Drivers License Suspension for Adults who Provide Alcohol to Minors

(Austin) - In an effort to stem underage drinking, Rep. Kino Flores (D-Mission) and advocates of a measure to keep alcohol out of the hands of young people announced legislation that establishes automatic driver's license suspension (ALS) for six months for any adult who is convicted of purchasing or knowingly furnishing alcohol to a minor. It also strengthens the ALS penalty for any minor convicted under this code.

"It is the responsibility of us all to protect our young people from the dangers associated with underage drinking. It is time we rally around the protection of our children, and we are announcing a zero tolerance policy for underage drinking," said Rep. Flores. "In Texas, we have tough laws on the books for minors attempting to purchase or consume alcohol. What we are missing is the same standard for adults who knowingly provide access to alcohol for minors.

Rep. Flores was joined by Partners for Zero Tolerance for Underage Access, a coalition which includes CLEAT, the Combined Law Enforcement Associations of Texas; Diageo, the world's leading spirits, beer, and wine company; Texas Safety Network, an Austin-based education forum and informational exchange bringing Texans together to discuss key alcohol-related issues and promote

alcohol responsibility; and the Texas Package Store Association, whose members range from small "mom-and-pop" single store operators to the largest chains in Texas, and the Texas Alcoholic Beverage Commission Agents Association, whose members are charged with enforcing the Alcoholic Beverage Code.

"Spring is a time of celebration for families with spring break, the proms and graduation. Unfortunately, it is also a season of dread for parents, because too often these celebrations turn into a time of personal tragedy as a result of underage drinking," said Virginia Sanchez, Vice President of Communications & External Affairs for Diageo North America. "As a company of families - of brothers, sisters, mothers and fathers - we believe protecting our children from the dangers associated with underage drinking is the responsibility of us all. That's why we are actively supporting initiatives across the country to keep our kids safe by keeping alcohol out of their hands." Diageo is supporting Zero Tolerance coalitions to back similar legislation being introduced in almost 20 states, including Arizona, Colorado, Connecticut, Maine, Oregon, Pennsylvania, and Virginia.

The bill, H.B.1357, amends the Texas Alcoholic Beverage Code in an effort to reduce the incidence of

underage drinking by targeting the number one source of providing alcohol for teen consumption - adults themselves. According to research from The Century Council, a not-for-profit educational organization aimed at fighting drunk driving and preventing underage drinking, 65% of underage drinkers get their alcohol from family and friends.

Although progress has been made over the last 20 years, underage drinking remains a serious problem, with more than 17 percent of 12 to 18-years-olds reporting drinking in the past month. Studies indicate that minors remain overrepresented in alcohol-related traffic fatalities.

These same studies have shown that suspension of a driver's license is an effective deterrent for adults and teens - even more so than the threat of jail time. No one wants to lose a license. This legislation encourages adults and kids to act responsibly when it comes to alcohol.

"We must hold adults more accountable for these illegal actions," Rep. Flores said. "Current penalties are not sufficient deterrent or so many kids wouldn't be getting alcohol from adults. Hopefully this additional penalty will make a difference."

Currently, the Texas Alcoholic Beverage Code makes supplying alcohol to minors

a Class A misdemeanor punishable by monetary fines and or jail time. H.B.1357 adds a new section to the law that suspends the convicted person's driver's license for 180 days or requires a 180 day waiting period after the person applies to the Department of Public Safety for reinstatement or issuance of a driver's license. If there was a previous offense, the suspension is for one year.

"When you limit underage access to alcohol, you make underage drinking a lot harder to accomplish," said Virginia Sanchez.

A majority of states already apply license suspension or revocation to underage alcohol-related offenses. This bill would provide license suspension for adults who knowingly provide alcohol to minors.

"Let's work together to keep alcohol out of the hands of our young people. Let's encourage them to make responsible choices before they are faced with tough situations. We can do this by stopping the problem where it starts: with adults illegally providing access," said Rep. Flores.

"You cannot do a kindness too soon because you never know how soon it will be too late."
-Ralph Waldo Emerson-

Polo On The Prairie Tradition Continues Through 19th Year

ALBANY, TX - Anticipation is building for the 19th annual Polo on the Prairie, which will be held April 30 at the Musselman Brothers Lazy 3 Ranch in Albany. Since 1987, the event has raised more than \$2.5 million for key programs at The University of Texas M. D. Anderson Cancer Center.

More than 1,000 guests from all over the country are expected to take part in the action-packed weekend complete with polo matches, barbecue, fireworks and a performance by Texas Music Hall of Fame member Alvin Crow and the Pleasant Valley Boys.

"The response from the people who come out to Polo on the Prairie is very heart-warming," says Mary Anne McCloud, M. D. Anderson Board of Visitors member and co-chair of the event. "People come from all over the world to enjoy the fun and sportsmanship, and leave feeling inspired by their contributions to cancer

care and research." Polo on the Prairie is a personal experience as well as a tradition for Henry Musselman, who also is a Board of Visitors member and co-chair of the event, along with his wife Melinda and mother-in-law McCloud. After losing his mother to cancer and seeing the effects of the disease on several friends and family members, he turned a portion of his family ranch into a regulation polo field for the sole purpose of holding the annual fund-raiser for M. D. Anderson.

Since it began, the number of teams competing has doubled from four to eight and includes amateurs as well as professional polo players. This year's tournament will include 32 players who donate their time and hard work to participate - some traveling from as far as Mexico - with equipment and four to six of their own horses.

"We are truly grateful for the sacrifice so many of the players make to take part,"

says Melinda Musselman. "Their selflessness and energy have made this tradition a success, and have improved the lives of countless people living with cancer."

This year also marks the beginning of a new tradition at Polo on the Prairie called the "Pony League," formed by Louisa, Luke and Molly Musselman, the children of Henry and Melinda. Geared towards college-aged guests, the Pony League was created to bring polo enthusiasm and cancer awareness to a new generation.

As part of Polo on the Prairie tradition since 1995, nearby Eastland sixth graders take a field trip out to the ranch to watch the opening game and meet some of the players after a special week-long curriculum about the rules and history of the game, as well as cancer patient care, research, education and prevention programs at M. D. Anderson. The students also raise funds for the event each year and present the contribution to M. D. Anderson during the field trip.

"Polo on the Prairie is an experience the children take with them the rest of their lives," says McCloud, a former teacher herself. "I've had former students approach me years later thanking me for inviting them. Of course, it is as much a pleasure for me to see them inspired as it is for them to enjoy the game."

Over the past 19 years, the event has supported various programs at M. D. Anderson. Key areas that this year's Polo on the Prairie will help fund include:

Science Park/Library - The

library links researchers at M. D. Anderson's Smithville campus to scientific literature and journals. It furthers the work at M. D. Anderson's Department of Carcinogenesis headquartered there, a facility that researches the causes of cancer.

The Anderson Network Hospitality Room - Proceeds will support this special "patient oasis" at M. D. Anderson where patients or family members may stop in for refreshment, comfort and assistance from volunteers who have had similar cancer experiences.

Chaplaincy and Clinical Pastoral Education - Money will be used to support chaplains who visit patients before surgery or other medical procedures, respond to patient and family requests for prayer or spiritual counseling, lead worship services and conduct support groups. Clinical Pastoral Education is an accredited program that offers education opportunities to individuals who wish to advance their faith and pastoral skills.

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Leo and Mary were married April 23, 1955, in Clovis, N.M.

Leo has been pastor of Trinity Baptist Church since 1985.

The couple has requested no gifts.

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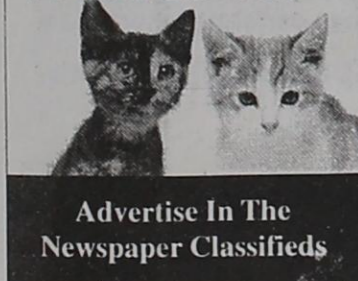
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Pioneer News

By Pioneer Quilting Club

We had a very good group meet on Tuesday. Nearly all our members were there at some time. We are getting along well on Olena's "Log Cabin". We have the "Flower Garden" in the frame. There will be one more put in soon.

Our own Angie Ames has her hair shop "Snippets" open. She is on Main Street down close to the school. (Very easy to find) I have seen and heard good things that she has done. She has really fixed her shop up. It is very cute.

I'm sure she would welcome all.

Speaking of the Aimes', Delaney Ames, one of the Pioneer girls, has been selected to be one of our Junior High Cheerleaders. Congratulations, Delaney!

Don't forget this is the week for the domino party. Come on out for food and fun. The community center at Pioneer is the place to be!

Frankie Smith had for her visitors last Tuesday, Mr. and Mrs. Rodney Smith from Lovington, NM. They all enjoyed the visit very much. Frankie traveled to Eastland Thursday on business, then, she went to visit her sister Dorthy Rogers and children. Then, she visited with David Martin also of Ranger. Frankie has also been working on her yard. She trying to get the ditch back in shape after the road crew left all the rocks there.

The Chesht's are ready for it to rain again! We had some grass sprigged on Monday and it really needs rain. Maybe this week, Charlene!

Laverne Hutton came by the Quilting Club for a little while Tuesday. J.D. and Sandy brought them from Baylor Hospital in Dallas Sunday. Cowan did real well after his knee surgery, and they were glad to be home. Keep on working on that knee, Cowan!

Earlene Burge and Jessica are seeing the men cut all the beautiful oak trees in front of their house. It took a hundred years for the trees to grow and look beautiful and now they are so butchered, they are grotesque! Earlene guesses that is progress! Jessica's daughter, Dee Ann, had a ruptured disk and had to have surgery at Scott and White. She is doing great now. Earlene would like to see a little rain. Guess she and, Charlene and the rest of us feel the same way!

Glenda went to watch the Junior High district track meet at Cross Plains. They all did great. This is Krista's last year for Jr. Hi. Krista, Logan, and Logan's little friend, Megan Wilson, came down to see Glenda Sunday afternoon. Krista and Logan rode their bicycles and Megan ran.

Of course, they all needed a snack which Glenda is always glad to furnish when they left, Megan started out on Logan's tricycle but she thought they pushed it most of the way. It is good to hear from Logan. He has been pretty quite this winter and spring!

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Word of Wisdom: The great tragedy of life is not unanswered prayer, but unoffered prayer. Philip Melanchthon

Cruisin & Groovin Festival

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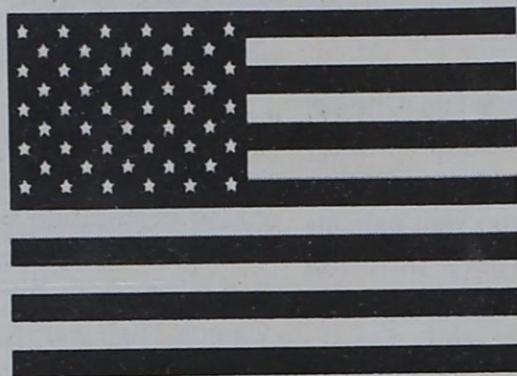
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Making A Difference

By Rex M. Rogers

What Have We Learned From Terri Schaivo?

Anyone who is not moved by the tragedy that is Terri Schiavo's end-of-life story I don't want for a neighbor. Terri was a person and her fate could easily be our own. Clearly, none of us would want to pass from this life as a public spectacle, the object of public vitriol by our family. But Terri is gone, so the only thing we can do now to dignify her life is to ask ourselves, "What can we learn from her experience?"

First, we're reminded that Terri lived and died because God created her. No amount of human travesty can change that. As "Purpose Driven Life" book author and pastor, Rick Warren of Mission Viejo, Calif., would say, Terri had a purpose. So do each of us.

Second, if we don't like a law, we need to change it. Pro-life supporters castigated judges as tools of the devil because they did not overrule Terri's husband's decision to remove her feeding tube. While I most decidedly share pro-life sentiments, I cannot condemn judges for strict interpretations of the law, particularly law that was developed to protect the sanctity of the family.

Terri's husband may be a cad, but he was still legally her husband to the end of her life. If courts could set aside his familial decisions, ignoring custody law, then they can set aside yours. They could order your

spouse's feeding tube removed even if you determined it should remain. This case created a collision of pro-life principles and family values the law was unprepared to handle.

Third, technology is now a major player in end-of-life considerations. Less than a generation ago, Terri would likely have died naturally and earlier absent the technology capability to sustain her life. This part of Terri's story is not rare. Medical and ministry professionals and families face Terri-type questions. Are we using artificial means to prolong life or prolong suffering? Are we allowing death or instigating killing? When does technology dehumanize? Our moral obligation is to develop our philosophy before persons are caught in the vortex of what we can do and what we should do.

Fourth, what one spouse says to another about extraordinary medical care and end-of-life matters should be committed to print. This is not a matter of distrust of the spouse as much as it is a protection of the spouse when the stress comes. Living wills are moving from optional to essential.

Fifth, more is at stake than administering the clash of technology and the law. When phrases like "persistent vegetative state" are used to refer to human being what we are really talking about is how our culture defines

"personhood." When is a person's life no longer worth sustaining? When is a person's "quality of life" so unacceptable they'd be better off dead? What do our answers mean for Alzheimer's patients, people with severe mental defects, children suffering from spina bifida and other physically or mentally debilitating afflictions?

These questions do not suggest easy answers. Terri has helped us understand that, and she will be remembered as a transitional figure in the interplay of faith, reason, and technology.

Rex M. Rogers, Ph.D., book author and president of Cornerstone University, Grand Rapids, Mich., pens this column, which appears in 89 newspapers. alan@blanchardgroup.net ©2005, The Blanchard Group, LLC

Texas Shorthorn Assoc. State Sale Is Set Saturday

The Texas Shorthorn Association will hold its State Sale Saturday, April 23, at the Texas Cattle Exchange in Eastland. The sale facility is located at I-20 and FM 3363 (Olden Exit). Sale time is 12:30 p.m.

The sale will offer pairs, bred and open females, show heifer prospects and bulls. The sale is sponsored by the Texas Shorthorn Association.

A Dutch treat supper and gathering will be held at 7:00 p.m. Friday, April 22, at the Texas Cattle Exchange Steakhouse. The Texas Shorthorn Lassies will offer lunch on Saturday, April 23, at the sale site, beginning at 11 a.m.

11th Court of Appeals

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Proceedings (En Banc)
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Affirmed

Fabian Chavera v. State of Texas, Howard. (Opinion by Justice McCall) (Panel consists of: Chief Justice Arnot, Justice Wright, and Justice McCall)

Russell Lee Hadley v. State of Texas, Erath. (Per Curiam Opinion) (Panel consists of: Chief Justice Arnot, Justice Wright, and Justice McCall)

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Sherron Dewayne Scott v. State of Texas, Harris.

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William Lawrence Wint v. State of Texas, Ector. State's second motion for extension of time to file brief.

Juan Miguel Cortez v. State of Texas, Midland. State's second motion for extension of time to file brief.

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Appellant's unopposed motion for leave to respond to Appellee's sur-reply brief.

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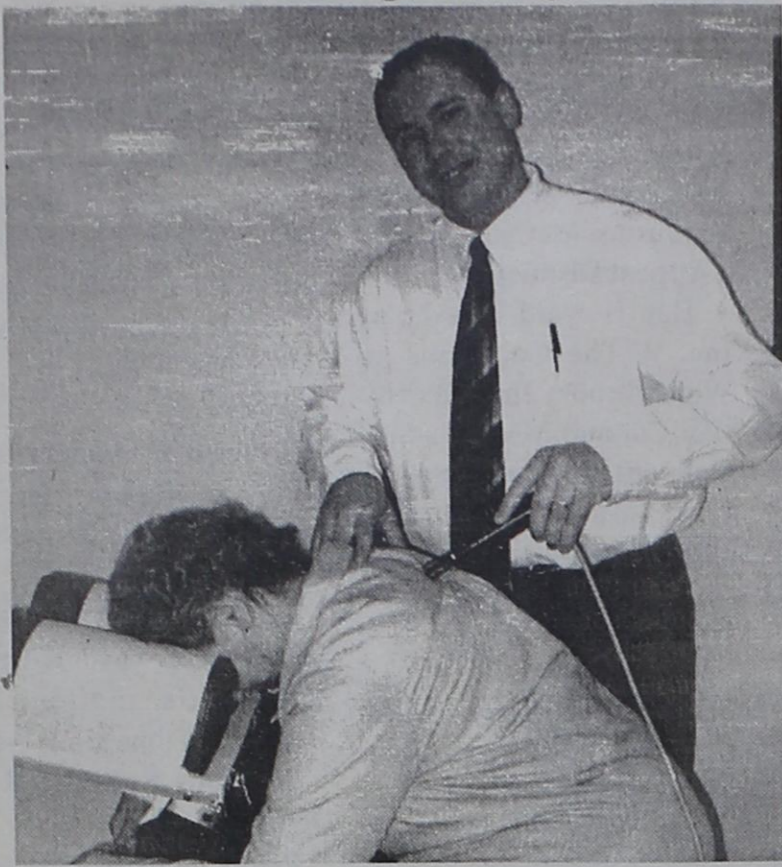
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'The Pacifier' Held Over At Majestic

Ed Allcorn, Manager of the Majestic, is holding over the Disney comedy "The Pacifier" for another week at the Eastland Theater. This popular new picture is rated PG, and has something interesting for the whole family. It will begin its next showing on Friday, April 22 at 7:30 p.m., and continue at the same time nightly through Monday, April 25.

Admission is \$4 at the box office, with balcony tickets \$5.50 for adults only.

And don't forget the fresh popcorn at the concession stand! There are also other snacks available, with an assortment of cold drinks.

In the movie, Vin Diesel has the role of Shane Wolfe, a S.E.A.L. hero who is suddenly entrusted with the job of protecting five Plummer children. With their father, a scientist, assassinated, and their mother called away for

a time, Wolfe has his job cut out for him.

He straps one toddler to his back, a baby to his front, and attempts to corral two rebellious teenagers and other child. There are many hilarious situations as Wolfe attempts to conquer the strange world of diaper changing, formulas, and various other aspects of family life.

The Plummer kids, of course almost steal the show. And Faith Ford is Julie, their mother, and Carole Keene as the Romanian nanny, Helga. Other Hollywood personalities have roles in the film, rounding out the cast. And the music is notable, some of it composed for the picture.

Adam Shankman is Director of "The Pacifier", and reportedly he hand-picked Vin Diesel for the role of tough man with a soft heart. The result is a comedy with even more.

Neugebauer To Host Academy Forums

Washington, DC -Congressman

Randy Neugebauer is encouraging students across the 19th district who are interested in applying to the country's military academies to attend educational forums he is hosting in Abilene and Lubbock on Saturday, April 30.

"These forums are an excellent opportunity for students and parents to learn more about the education and the experience that our service academies provide," Neugebauer said.

The Lubbock forum will be held at the Byron Martin Advanced Technology Center located at 3201 Avenue Q. Registration will begin at 8:30 a.m., with presentations starting at 9:00 a.m. The Abilene forum will be held in the ARBEC Room at Texas State Technical College located at 650 East Highway 80.

Registration for this forum will begin at 1:30 p.m., with presentations starting at 2:00 p.m. Students attending the

forums are encouraged to take advantage of the time between registration and formal presentations to visit with academy representatives.

Liaison officers from the Air Force Academy, U.S. Military Academy at West Point, U.S. Naval Academy, and the U.S. Merchant Marine Academy will be present to answer any questions regarding the academies or the application process. Information will also be available for university-level Reserved Officer Training Corps programs.

While the forums are targeted to high school upperclassmen, all students, including those currently in middle school are encouraged to attend.

Parents, counselors, and teachers are also invited.

Those who have questions or need further information on these forums should contact Mary Whistler in Neugebauer's office at 888-763-1611.

Early Voting Underway For May 7 Races

Early voting began Wednesday for May 7 local elections.

Residents of area towns will be electing city council, school board and hospital board members.

Many towns and school boards have cancelled elections because candidates were uncontested.

Early voting will continue through May 3.

Following is a list of contested races:

BAIRD

School board
For two seats--incumbent Jim Dyer Windham, Allen Wilson, Kathy Byram

Early voting- 7:30 a.m. to 4 p.m., Superintendent Office, 600 W. 7th St.

Regular voting-- Superintendent Office at Baird ISD, 600 w. 7th.

CARBON

City
Place 1-- incumbent Lee Hadaway, Calvin Griffin

Place 3--Burr Herron, Stephen Gryder
Place 5-- incumbent Shana Davis

Early voting--8 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Carbon City Hall, 302 N. Main

Regular voting--Carbon City Hall, 302 N. Main

CISCO

City
Place 5-- Jerry Sue Toland, Chris Johnson, Fran Justice, Odis Donoho

Place 6--incumbent Tom Sluder, Ginger Johnson, Richard Harrison, Willard Johnson

Early voting--8 a.m. to 5 p.m. at City Hall, 500 Conrad Hilton

Regular voting-- Hilton Center, 309 Conrad Hilton
Not having a school board election or a junior college board election

CLYDE

Not having a city council election

School
Place 1-- incumbent John Connel, Bobby Beard

Place 2-- Adrian Huddleston, Tina Sartor, Brenda Liles, Lola Waggoner

Early voting- 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Administration bldg, 526 Shalimar Dr.

Regular voting--Clyde precinct- Clyde Junior High Cafeteria, 211 S. 3rd St. West

Hamby precinct- Hamby Elementary Cafeteria
Oplin precinct- Oplin Community Center in Oplin

CROSS PLAINS

City
For three seats-- incumbent Gene Dillard, incumbent James Nichols, Gary Fulcher, Bob Harrell, Audrey Purvis, incumbent Edwin Weiss, Scarlett Harrell Koetell

Early voting--8 a.m. to 5 p.m. City Hall 201 S. Main

Regular voting-- Cross Plains Community Center, 108 N. Beech

School
For two three-year terms--Rickey Thomas, Dr. Scott Childress, incumbent Bryan Bennett, Tony Wyatt, Frankie W. Hyles, Bewel Neff, Kyle Foster

For one one-year unexpired term-- George Matthews, Burlie Taylor

Early voting-- 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., City Hall 201 S. Main

Regular voting- Cross Plains Community Center, 8th and Beech St.

EASTLAND

City
For three at-large city commission seats--Elaine Gosnell, Lee Roy Pearson, incumbent Norman Owen, Greg Norris, James M. Fullen, incumbent Mark Pipkin, Don Griffin, incumbent Jerry Mathews

Early voting--8 a.m. to 5 p.m., City Hall

Regular voting--City Hall Commissioners Chambers

School
Place 4--Mike Batteas

Place 5--Mike Orsagh, incumbent Gordon Woolam

Early voting--9 a.m. to 5 p.m. School District Tax Office

Regular voting - High School Cafeteria
Hospital Board

For four seats--incumbent Rebecca Thomason, incumbent Jackie Tucker, incumbent W.H. Hoffmann, Jr., Dr. T. Shawn Brewer, Don Nicholas

Early voting--8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. Administration Office 304 S. Daugherty

Regular voting-- Eastland High School, 900 W. Plummer

GORDON

School
For three seats- incumbent David Chamberlain, incumbent Jimmy Hunt, incumbent Jennifer Baker, Dale Witt, Ted Young, Kirby Wiginton, Eli Stockstill

Early voting-- 8 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Superintendent Office

Regular voting--Gordon ISD Library, Mingus City Hall

GORMAN

City
Place 1--Nathan Files

Place 3--Tony Carter, incumbent Durward Webb

Early voting--8 a.m. to 5 p.m. City Hall, 116 S. Kent

Regular voting-- Community Center 118 S. Kent

MAY

School
Early voting will be held from 8 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. at the May ISD Administration office 3400 County Road 411 East. Regular voting will be held at the May ISD library, 3400 CR 411 East.

May ISD three at-large seats: incumbent Joel Kelton, incumbent Ada Turner, Kevin Mote, Rayme Gregory, write-in

RANGER

City
Mayor--Joe Henry Oliver, Eric Edwards Perkins, Adam Lopez, Jr., Bobby R. Green

Place 1- Police Commissioner- James Michael Archer, Joy L. Oliver

Place 2- Street Commissioner- John Casey incumbent, Ronald Wade Pierce

Place 3- Finance Commissioner- Barbara Wheat incumbent, Janelle Wright-Truex, Nancy Burrow

Place 4- Water Commissioner- Michael Charles Hennech, Sr.

Early voting- 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Ranger City Hall, 400 W. Main

Regular voting- Ranger City Hall

School
Place 1- John Slaughter, incumbent

Place 2- Gloria Castro-Bowden, Joe Nash

Early voting- 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Ranger Tax Office 121 South Marston

Regular voting in old gym

Texas Farmers Supports Renewable Fuel Standards

Washington (April 13, 2005) -- The Texas Farmers Union (TFU) is supporting efforts by U.S. Representatives to increase production of domestic renewable fuels. TFU President Wes Sims said, "that though this legislation is a significant step in the right direction, more immediate relief is needed for farmers to help pay for fuel."

"I am really worried about what is going to happen to the producers," said Sims. "Farmers are facing a disastrous economic situation due to the cost of fuel" Texas Farmers Union is advocating additional assistance from the federal government in paying for natural gas, diesel and fertilizer, the price of which has skyrocketed in the last several months.

"If the cost of fueling farm vehicles and irrigation system stays this high, farmers will be in a crisis situation

located at 121 S. Marston

RISING STAR

City
Mayor- Earl B. Harris

For three council seats- Danee Clark, Buddy Cook, Betty Hickman, Bruce Rivers

Early voting- City Hall

STRAWN

City
General city council election full term-- Mattie Lou Copeland incumbent, Corrinne Hopkins incumbent, Terry Popham incumbent, Jack Craddock, Benny Brock, Richard Lee, Carl Frazier, Brad Nowak



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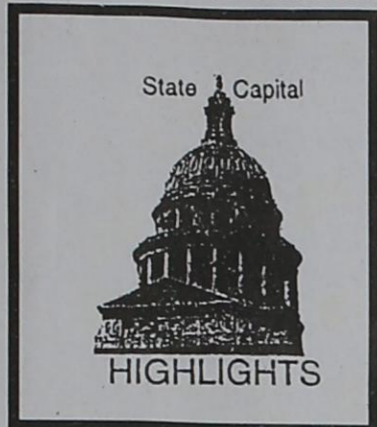
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Texas surf group makes waves over special beach bills

AUSTIN - A non-profit group dedicated to preserving Texas' beaches is making waves about House Bill 1603 and its companion Senate Bill 740, hoping the Legislature and all Texans interested in the state's long coastline will take a closer look at the measures. Introduced by Rep. Dennis Bonnen (R-Angleton), the House bill relates "to the authority of certain political subdivisions to erect or maintain shore protection structures and the location of the line of vegetation in relation to those structures." The measure would amend the Natural Resources Code to exempt the municipal utility district for the Treasure Island subdivision at San Luis Pass in Brazoria County from the Texas Open Beaches Act. The Texas chapter of the Surfrider Foundation says the measure, which reads like a

local bill aimed at a local problem dealing with beach erosion caused by the fast-moving waters of San Luis Pass, would privatize the public beach and create a legal precedent that could lead to further loss of public beaches. The House Land Management Committee voted 8-0 on April 7 to send the measure to the floor. Only two people testified on the bill - Land Commissioner Jerry Patterson and former Sen. A.R. "Babe" Schwartz of Galveston. To read Surfrider's position paper on the bill, check the foundation's Web site at www.surfrider.org/texas. The Legislature's analysis of the bill is available at www.capitol.state.tx.us/.

Young marriage targeted... True or false? A child in Texas can legally marry at 14 as long as he or she has parental permission. If you answered false, you'll probably be in favor of Rep. Harvey Hilderbran's (R-Kerrville) House Bill 3006. Hilderbran's bill would raise the minimum marrying-with-parental-permission age to 16 from the present 14. The bill also would make it illegal for stepparents to marry stepchildren. Patterned after similar legislation passed in Utah, the bill is aimed at preventing problems at the newly

constructed Yearning for Zion ranch in Schleicher County. The ranch is occupied by members of the Fundamental Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints who moved to the West Texas county from Utah and Arizona, reportedly seeking an easier environment to practice

polygamy. Large cheeseburger and fries, please...

A measure pending in the House Civil Practices Committee is aimed at fat folks who figure they can win a hefty settlement by filing suits against fast food firms for selling them foods high in calories. House Bill 107,

filed by Rep. Corbin Van Arsdale (R-Houston) would put Texas litigants on a lawsuit diet by protecting fast food companies, agricultural interests and

April 23rd."

Pre-registration forms will be at Frontier Texas! starting today through Thursday, May 12th and at the Taylor County Expo Center until Friday, May 13th. Parents will not be able to enter their children for the activities the day of the events.

Each event is \$5 to enter and each participant will receive a complimentary children's admission ticket to Frontier Texas! as well as discount coupons to Celebration Park and Frontier Texas! for their friends and family.

grocery stores from liability in "you made me fat by selling me cheeseburgers" suits.

Bump in the road for Willie...

The effort to name State Highway 130 in honor of Willie Nelson has hit a rough spot in the road with Republican Sens. Steve Ogden (R-College Station) and Jeff Wentworth (R-San Antonio) saying they don't want the stretch of highway that will pass through their districts named after Texas' internationally-known country western star. While Sen. Gonzalo Barrientos' (D-Austin) measure is still alive, one anonymous jokester has suggested that the Republicans might be happier naming the new Central Texas toll road the Delay Way.

Western Heritage Children's Activities Pre-Registration Is Set Saturday

The Western Heritage Classic will host pre-registration for the annual children's activities at Frontier Texas! on Saturday, April 23, from 2:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. Children are invited to come register and watch the Six White Stick Horse Riders demonstrate their routine as well as practice steer dummy roping.

The children's activities at the 2005 Western Heritage Classic will be held Saturday, May 14, at 10 a.m. at the Taylor County Expo Center. The children's activities, sponsored by WTU Retail Energy, include the Haney Canon Stick Horse Rodeo, Fine Fat Piglet Chase and

Steer Dummy Roping. Prizes will be awarded to 1st through 3rd place in each event and each age group. Winners of the Boot Scramble will receive a boot certificate and prizes will also be given to the best dressed little cowboy and cowgirl.

"These activities are a great way to get the children involved at the Western Heritage Classic. It allows everyone to have a little weekend fun," said Casee Jones Harwell, public relations/marketing manger of the non-profit tourist attraction. "Frontier Texas! invites everyone to come out and bring their family for the pre-registration event on

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Commentary By Dr. Don Newbury

Anchors Away, Few Others May Stay

Just five years into the new century, three network anchors have signed off, one of the best-known remaining newsmen has announced retirement plans, a fifth has lung cancer and if pronunciation challenges keep coming in bunches, look for thousands of others to toss in their microphones. Already on the sidelines are Bernard Shaw, Tom Brokaw and Dan Rather. Ted Koppel will pull down the shades on "Nightline" by year's end, and who knows how long Peter Jennings can keep cancer at bay?

Even the hail and hearty are ready to sign the "calf rope oath," what with the deaths of at least four highly-visible people within the span of a few days. The list includes Terri Shiavo, Karol Wojtyla, Rainier Grimaldi and Iakovos Hatzistavrou.

You say you recognize the Shiavo name, but are hazy on the rest? Join a few million others in the head-scratching mode. She, in that twilight between life and death, was in the target cross

hairs of news folks around the world as families, lawyers, judges and the mightiest government figures became involved in the life support dispute.

The other three? Wojtyla became Pope John Paul II. Grimaldi was Prince Rainier III of Monaco, and Hatzistavrou was actually Archbishop Iakovos Hatzistavrou. He headed two million members of the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of North and South America for 37 years until retirement in 1996.

Most electronic news people get A's for pronouncing "John Paul II" (although a few are reported to have called him John Paul Eleven), but pronunciations of the names in the remaining trio were all over the charts.

You got the feeling that some prominent broadcast personalities—those spending more time preening than checking on pronunciations—assumed their usual "there but by the Grace of God goes God" stances.

"Rainier," the shortest of the three tongue-tangling

names, perhaps was trickiest of all. Some called him "Ren-year," others thought it was "Ran-year." A few agreed on the first syllable, but swore the second one ended in "yay," where the accent goes.

A quick e-mail check with a Monaco resident confirms that the correct pronunciation is "Ren-yay," with no accent on either syllable. "The French don't accent syllables," he chuckled.

Archbishop Iakovos? Gimme a break, a mea culpa, or sumthin.' The unmistakable pressure of a column deadline looms, and my few Greek friends mumbled their respective differing pronunciations. So I dunno. One newsman on a graveyard shift through it all said, "The archbishop's name is being withheld pending notification of next of kin."

One suggested enunciating the name slowly, with confidence oozing. Then, even if off by a mile, most hearers would shrug, thinking, "Gee, I figured he pronounced his name such and such way."

Cream always comes to the top; it did again, from the welcome voice of Paul Harvey, the finest of them all. For days on end, he chronicled the Shiavo saga, each time referring to her as "Shy-vo," the pronunciation that seemed to earn consensus. One day, perhaps reading a line or two ahead, he called her "She-I-vo."

There was a long pause—the kind Dr. Harvey has made famous. He retreated to say, "I'm sorry. It's pronounced 'Shy-vo.'" How classy. (Personal aside: Addressing an audience last week in Tulsa, I mentioned a "favorite son," Paul Harvey. There was spontaneous applause of booming endorsement. I paused—not as well as he does—and nodded agreement. He's in a league of his own.)

A microcosm of explanations to children

across the land occurred in the Schumann household. Carla, the mom, was explaining to sons Logan, 10, and Carter, 7, about super-human qualifications needed by the new Pope. Her list was exhaustive.

"They ought to get Papaw to be Pope," Carter piped up. (Grandparents everywhere, take a bow!).

Finally this: The story goes that a Polish cardinal named "Zacola" was an odds-on favorite to be named Pope many conclaves ago. He was heartbroken when another was chosen. A fellow cardinal, trying to comfort, said, "'Pope Zacola' would sound too much like a soft drink."

Dr. Newbury is a speaker

Thursday, April 21, 2005 and author. His weekly column appears in 125 newspapers in several states. Check his website, www.speakerdoc.com He welcomes comments by phone, 817-447-3872, or by e-mail: newbury@speakerdoc.com

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