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## BAIRD: Officially Designated Antique Capital Of West Texas - Texas Legislature June 22, 1993

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Thursday, October 21, 1999



Another building with a very beautiful historic look will soon be completed on Market Street. What the building will house is reportedly yet to be determined, but it will be an asset to Baird.

### TexDoT District Maintenance, Construction Directors Named

Abilene, Texas-- Brian Crawford, P.E. and Paul Hoelscher, P.E. were recently named director of maintenance and director of construction respectively for the Abilene district.

Abilene District Engineer Bill Hale made the announcement. Crawford is responsible for the maintenance of the district's highways and facilities while Hoelscher is responsible for the administration of all construction contracts within the district from the time of letting through final payment to the contractors.

Crawford's duties include but are not limited to the development, preparation and letting of maintenance contracts, recommending major maintenance and betterment programs to the director of transportation planning and development, developing and monitoring the maintenance budget, and overseeing the district maintenance operation and coordinating maintenance matters with area engineers.

On the other hand, Hoelscher's section oversees contracts, issuance of work orders, construction schedules and job progress on construction projects. His office is also responsible for monitoring the material testing requirements for construction projects.

### Make A Difference In Baird

You can "Make A Difference" on your hometown of Baird.

The Callahan County Nutrition Project will serve approximately 1500 meals this month in Baird to Homebound individuals.

We must depend on volunteers to deliver the hot meals to those who can not do for themselves. This is very rewarding to those precious people who will take approximately 30 minutes a day to give to our neighbors. If you would like to make a difference in Baird, please call the Baird Senior citizens Center at 854-1937 or the Callahan county Nutrition Project at 854-1277. You help is needed!

### Professional Biblical Drama Oct. 24-26, Cisco Jr. College

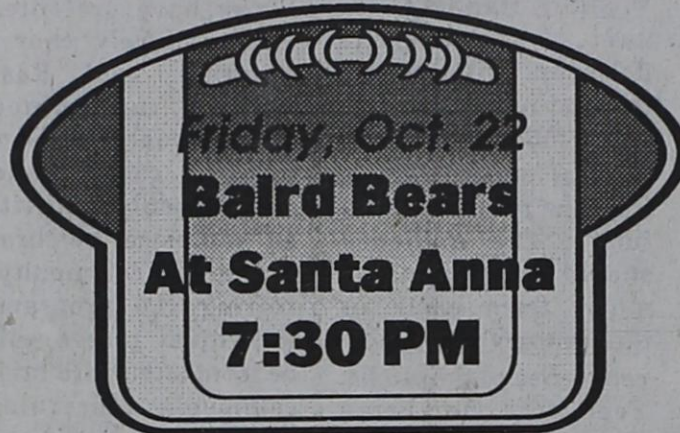
People of the Cisco area will have a rare opportunity to see a very unique drama presentation in Cisco at the Cisco Junior College Auditorium. The presentations will be Sunday through Tuesday, October 25 to 26, at 7:00 each night, and there is no admission charge.

The live drama will use local people, who will be rehearsing in advance, as actors under the direction of a professional company from Canada. It will be elaborate, with the company providing costumes, props and scenery, and lighting effects.

The company is international in nature, presenting this drama at locations all over the World. The drama has people from all walks of life portrayed in it, and it is a Biblical presentation based on a passage from the Book of Revelation. It is reported to be a very moving presentation which has had a positive effect on the lives of many viewers, as it causes people to stop and think.

Non-denominational in nature, the presentation is being sponsored by five local churches of various denominations. Child care for children ages 7 years and under will be furnished each night at the Calvary Baptist Church to better enable parents to see this drama, which has drawn large crowds in other cities.

The title of the drama is thought provoking in itself, it is "Heaven's Gates, Hell's Flames." The college is on the hill at the north edge of Cisco on Hwy 6, and the child care is at 1801 Conrad Hilton, a few blocks north of the I-20 and Hwy. 183 overpass and intersection in Cisco. For more information, you may call 442-1160 or the child care at 442-2183.



### No. 4 Ranked Bears Thump Bulldogs 42-7

By Mo Gonzales  
The Baird Bears played host to the Eden Bulldogs Friday night in the Bears' Den.

The Bears' offense put on a show of offensive explosion by rushing and passing its way to a 42-7 win. The defense, consisting of Jason Gomez, Jr. Gomez, Mike Rudder, Curtis Lehew, Bucky Rivera, Josh Curtis, Clay Smith, Todd Vestal, Derek Floyd, Franklin Gomez, and Ronnie Rivers, got really stingy after allowing Eden to even the score at 7-7 early in the 2nd quarter, and held the Bulldogs in check after that with QB sacks, pass deflections, forced fumbles and good team tackling. By the defense doing its job well, the Bears' offense was allowed to take complete control of the game. Great holes have been opened up and opportunities created by the Big Red offense, and many plays have been helped along by the downfield blocking provided by Logan Russell, Jeremy Gonzales, and Kelby Robinson. The Red line-men doing a fine job are Ty Wilson, J.J. Carrillo, Dustin Watson, Jonathan Parr, Coleman Vestal, and Brandon Frank-ens.

The Bears received the opening kick-off, and Justin Rivera returned it to the Eden 28-yd line. It took the Bears only 3 plays to hit paydirt, as Lee Harle connected with Kyle Hogue for the Bears' first touchdown. P.A.T. by Russell was good. 7-0 Baird

Eden evened the score on a QB keeper by Shalan Rogers. The P.A.T. was good. 7-7 After the Eden score, it took the Bears only 1 play to respond on a 61-yd TD run by Justin Rivera. The PAT was good. 14-7 Baird 8:30 left in the 2nd quarter.

Excellent Bears defensive play held the Eden Bulldogs on several 3rd down plays. The Bears struck again with 2:47 to go in the 2nd quarter on a Justin Rivera 67-yd romp. PAT by Russell was good. 21-7 Baird

Again the Bear defense held, the Baird marched downfield on short runs by Jack Pruet, and pass completions to Russell, Hogue, and Jeremy Gonzales. With 12 seconds remaining in the 1st half, QB Harle scored on a 1-yd run. PAT by Russell was good. 28-7 Baird

The 2nd half saw the defense of the Bears keep the Bulldogs out of the endzone, and saw the Baird offense score on a 63-yd run by Rivera. PAT by Russell was good. 35-7 Baird

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### Baird Drinking Water Meets Natl. Standards

City of Baird Special Notice for the Elderly, Infants, Cancer Patients, people with HIV/Aids or other immune problems:

Some people may be more vulnerable to contaminants in drinking water than the general population. Immuno-compromised persons such as persons with cancer undergoing chemotherapy, persons who have undergone organ transplants, people with HIV/AIDS or other immune system disorders, some elderly, and infants can be particularly at risk from infections. These people should seek advice about drinking water from their health care providers. EPA/Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

(CDC) guidelines on appropriate means to lessen the risk of infection by *Cryptosporidium* and other micro-

### Book Fair Nov. 1-5

The Baird Mothers, Fathers, and Teachers association will hold its annual Fall Book Fair on November 1st through 5th in the Baird School Library. The hours for the fair will be from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday. The fair will be open from 8:30 a.m. to 7 p.m. on Thursday. This will be family night at the fair and it will be open to the public. We invite each of you to attend and we appreciate your support.

bial contaminants are available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline (800-426-4791).

### Our Drinking Water Is Safe

The Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission (TNRCC) has assessed our system and determined that our water is safe to drink. The analysis was made by using the data in the attached tables. If your water meets federal standards there may not be any health based benefits to purchasing bottled water or point of use devices.

En Espanol  
Este report incluye la informacion importante sobre su agua beber. A obtener una copia de esta informacion (Continued On Back)

### Help MFT With Haunted House

Baird MFT (Mother Father Teacher) Association is asking for volunteers to help with the haunted house benefiting Baird Elementary School. If you are interested in volunteering your time for a really fun evening for the kids, then meet with us for a planning session Thursday, October 21,

at the Arches on Market Street in downtown Baird at 7 p.m. Come with ideas to help decorate, or plan to be a participant in a costume. If you decided to help, bring your favorite spooky costume ideas or props the night of the meeting. We would like to get as many adults as possible involved.

The haunted house will be held Saturday, October 30 from 7-10 p.m. Please call Elana White at 854-1970 or Brenda Lewis at 854-5994 for more information, or better yet... just show up at the meeting! Your help is appreciated.



A new and larger Post Office building (above) is being built west of Market Street to replace the present one east of Market Street.



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Brian Crawford (L) and Paul Hoelscher (R)

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**BIG DUMPSTERS FOR CLEANUP**  
The "Big Dumpster for Cleanup" will be at the City Barn 233 East 2nd OCTOBER 18th-23rd, 1999.  
HOURS: Monday-Friday 8 a.m. to 6 p.m.  
Saturday- 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.  
The City of Baird will have the dumpster four times a year for a WEEK each time. We will announce the date in the paper. The dumpster is for City of Baird residents ONLY!!!!  
A CURRENT WATER BILL RECEIPT IS REQUIRED!!!!

## Chamber News

by Tommie Jones

Tickets are now on sale for a Remington 270 rifle that will be awarded Nov. 6 at the annual Hunters Supper sponsored by Baird Chamber of Commerce. Tickets are available for \$2 each or six for \$10.

Everyone is invited to participate in the Chamber Adopt-A-

Highway project scheduled Sunday, Oct. 24 at 2 p.m. Participants will gather at the intersection of Highway 283 and Business 20 where bags, gloves and vests will be issued. The Chamber Cleanup project will cover two miles from the intersection going north on 283.

## Veterans' News

By Tom Ivey  
Veterans Service Officer  
Callahan County, Texas

**FREE FLU SHOTS-** The VA Out Patient Clinic in Abilene will be giving free flu shots on October 27 from 8:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. You do not have to be registered with the Clinic to receive the free shots. Take along a copy of your DD-214 or your Service Record to prove

that you are a Veteran. The Clinic is located just to the westside of the Abilene Regional Medical Center (Humana), 6250 Hwy 83-84 at Antilley Road. The clinic is in Suite 1200, 6200 Regional Plaza, Phone 695-3252.

**LOANS, LOANS, LOANS---** Please remember the Free Seminar to be presented by the Texas Veterans Land Board on Thursday, Oct. 28. The program will begin at 6:30 p.m. in the Abilene Civic Center, 1100 N. 6th St. Registration will begin at 6 p.m. if you want to come early. Discussions will be held on all types of loans available for Texas Veterans and there will be news concerning the increase to \$150,000 for housing loans. Hope to see you there.

**AGENT ORANGE--** That old devil in the orange suit has jumped up again! Word is beginning to come out now that Agent Orange was heavily used in the Panama Canal Zone during the late 1960s and early 1970s. One area in particular was repeatedly sprayed. This was near the Gatun Locks where the canal meets the Atlantic Ocean and was heavily used by the Army's 8th Special Forces for parachute training during the Vietnam War.

Quoting the October 11, 1999 Dallas Morning News, "Two men who commanded the 8th Special Forces during that period and regularly parachuted into the drop zone, Majors William Patton and Dick Meadows, were diagnosed with leukemia and died within six months of each other in 1996, according to Mr. Patton's widow, Barbara Patton. Army Spec. Donald Jones regularly rode his motorcycle around the drop zone while serving in Panama from 1971 to 1974, according to his widow, Pamela Jones of Pleasanton, TX. He died in 1997 of non-Hodgkin's lymphoma, a cancerous disease that also caused the death of police officer Robert William Lavallee. He died at age 34 in 1978. Mr. Lavallee was known to regularly visit with military policemen at the area known as the "drop zone."

The government of Panama is insisting that the United States clean up the Canal Zone before we turn the area over to Panama on December 31 of this year. The U.S. has acknowledged that it will be leaving some dangerous materials be-

## Men In Service

Jacob F. Bailey recently completed the cadet basic training program at the U.S. Military Academy, West Point, N.Y. The training is designed to form new academy cadets into disciplined soldier-officers possessing personal pride, confidence, obedience to command orders, and dedication to duty.

During the six-week rigorous program, the cadet was trained in basic military skills, rifle marksmanship, field tactical maneuvers, physical fitness and endurance, military courtesy, drill and ceremonies, and academic instruction.

After completing the basic training program, the cadet is accepted into the U.S. Corps of Cadets at the academy. Consequently, upon graduating from the academy, the cadet receives a bachelor's degree and is commissioned as a second lieutenant in the Army.

Bailey is the son of Frank T. and Shelby W. Bailey of Clyde, Texas.

He is a 1999 graduate of Clyde High School.

Army Maj. Melvin S. Hogan has graduated from the College of Naval Command and Staff at the Naval War College in Newport, R.I.

At the college, the student's professional capabilities are enhanced to make sound decisions in command and staff and managerial positions, and to conduct research leading to the development of advanced strategic and tactical concepts for the future of employment of naval forces.

War College students are mid-grade and senior officers from all U.S. military services and senior level government agency representatives, as well as international officers from other nations.

Qualified students receive a master of arts degree in national security and strategic studies.

Hogan is the son of Winford and Patsy L. Hogan of Clyde, Texas.

The major graduated in 1980 from Clyde High School, and received a bachelor's degree in 1984 from the U.S. Military Academy, West Point, N.Y. He earned his master's degree in 1996 from Florida Institute of Technology, Melbourne.

hind, largely consisting of unexploded ordnance used in training exercises. It appears that there is also lead contamination, asbestos in buildings, PCBs and 2,4D and 2,4,5-T, commonly known as Agent Orange.

To wrap it up--any persons who have served in the Panama Canal Zone since the mid 1960s are urged to contact the Veterans Administration and arrange for an Agent Orange examination. It will be of advantage to you for the exam to be in your records in case health problems arise in the future.

## Millenium Concert At Cisco JC November 11

"Choral Music From Y1K to Y2K" will be the exciting theme of Cisco Junior College's Millenium Concert, to be held in the CJC Auditorium on Nov. 11 at 7 p.m. In a celebration of the new millenium, director Tenesa Rasmussen and accompanist Steven Zell will lead the CJC Singers through a musical history tour that samples music from Gregorian Chant to popular Broadway songs. Choral music by Bach, Vivaldi, Handel, Mozart, and Mendelssohn will occupy the first half of the program, followed by a variety of musical styles from the twentieth century. The audience should enjoy familiar music from early in this century in barbershop style, as well as choral arrangements of folk songs, Broadway songs, an movie music from popular shows. Mr. Zell will accompany with either piano or organ, and various percussion and electronic instruments will add to the fun. A slide show illustrating historical time periods will make the Millenium Concert a multi-media tribute.

It has been many years since the CJC choirs have presented an exclusively choral program, and Rasmussen determined that the dual occasion of the new century and new millenium merited a musical celebration in our community. During the program, individual pieces will be introduced with brief comments concerning their importance in our social history and interesting facts about the composers who wrote them. Thus, the program promises to be educational as well as entertaining.

## Record Family Histories In Star Millennium Issue

This is who we were as the new Millennium came in!"

That's what a Special Edition will proclaim in this newspaper for a permanent record. In it will be life stories, family histories, photographs (old and new), business and organization biographies and memberships as well as all the other details that make us uniquely us as 1999 comes to an end and 2000 comes in.

The edition will be included in the Callahan County Star and the most economical combination rate will prevail with a small minimum available. Deadline for inclusion will be Dec. 1st.

Individuals, families, businesses and organizations are invited

## Agriculture Marketing Seminar October 28

Futures trading has a long history, both in the U.S. and around the world. Options give the agricultural industry a flexible pricing tool to assist in price risk management. These and many other price risk management strategies will be topics addressed at an upcoming Marketing Seminar on Thursday, October 28. The seminar will start at 9 a.m. at the Callahan County Extension Office. We will break for lunch and finish the training at around 2:30 p.m. The seminar is targeted to all producers regardless of their current level of experience. The goal of this seminar is to acquaint producers with and help them learn about the fu-

ture markets and the role they play in the marketing of agricultural commodities. This seminar will also help producers understand how the use of futures contracts and options can be used to manage price risk.

The speaker for the seminar will be Dr. Jason Johnson, Extension Economist from San Angelo. Space is limited and only the first 20 to call and sign up will be eligible. If you want to attend call the Callahan County Extension Office at (915) 854-1518 by October 22. Remember it's limited to the first 20 producers.

Sincerely,  
Robert Pritz  
Callahan County Extension Agent-Ag

This semester's choir has doubled in number since the spring of '99 and currently totals 27 members. Many of the singers also participate in other activities, such as band, Belles, football, and cheerleaders. Eugene Reed is president of the CJC Singers, Shawna Grady is historian, and Scott Rasco serves as Chaplain.

## Haunted Hotel Tour In Stamford

Stamford E.M.S. presents the Haunted Hotel. Take a guided tour of a 12 room boarding house that is filled with ghouls, goblins and other supernatural beings. Witness the re-creation of Frankenstein's Monster, see the Mummy take revenge on the raiders of his tomb, and see the famous Count from Transylvania in his lair. All this horror and more awaits you at the first annual Stamford EMS Haunted Hotel.

The Haunted Hotel will be at 111 N. Swenson in Stamford (3 doors down from the Police Station). There will be ample parking on the square. It will be October 22, 23, 24 and 30th from 7:30 p.m. till 10:00 p.m. Admission is \$3.00. Children under 10 must be accompanied by a parent or older sibling. All proceeds benefit the Stamford Child Safety Fund.

## MEN IN SERVICE

Air Force Tech. Sgt. Henry C. Rak has graduated from the Air Force Noncommissioned Officer (NCO) Academy at Goodfellow Air Force Base, San Angelo, Texas.

The graduate received instruction in advanced military leadership and management theories and responsibilities; physical fitness and conditioning; oral and written communications skills; supervisory roles relative to the Air Force mission and organization; human behavior concepts and problem solving, including counseling techniques and orienting new personnel in the principles, practices and tools necessary to operate in the Air Force.

Rak is a career development course writer with the 366th Training Squadron, Sheppard Air Force Base, Wichita Falls, Texas.

He is the son of Natalie L. Rak of New Britain, Conn.

His wife, Mary, is the daughter of Bobbie F. Carter of Clyde, Texas.

The sergeant graduated in 1983 from New Britain Senior High School, and received an associate degree in 1995 from the Community College of the Air Force.

Thursday, October 21, 1999

Section leaders are Apri West, Lori Richardson, Devin Buse.

and Jess McDowell. In the spirit of community service, the con-

## CJC To Offer Computer Courses In November

Cisco Junior College will offer a nine-hour continuing education computer course at the Cisco campus in November. EXCEL will be offered on Tuesday nights, November 9, 16, and 23 from 6-9 p.m. each evening. EXCEL is a spreadsheet application that allows the user to create a grid of rows and columns containing text and formulas. The program covers building a simple worksheet, analyzing information, extracting information from a

list, visually presenting data, multiple worksheets, and time-saving techniques.

The class will meet in the Technical I Building. Cost for the course is \$43 and includes all instructional materials. Early registration is very important due to the class limit of 20 students. Registration is complete only upon receipt of form and fees. For more information or to register contact Charlotte Nix Speegle at (254) 442-2567, ext 115.

## Dinner Theatre At Cisco JC Oct. 26-30

The Cisco Junior College drama department will present "Farewell, Farewell Eugene" by John Vari and Rodney Ackland as the first dinner theatre offering of the 1999-2000 school year. Written in 1953 especially to fit the talents of Margaret Rutherford and Mildred Dunnock, the play is a sentimental comedy suffused with a gentle affection for its characters.

Set in the New York City of 1915, the story concerns Gertrude Povis and Minerva Povis Goody, spinster sisters who occupy a basement apartment, scrimping and saving to eke out a living while sending every spare penny to support their brother Eugene, living in South Africa and supposedly laying the groundwork for a better life for all of them by mining for diamonds.

While working toward his piece of "pie in the sky", the two are continually beset by people who need them in the here and now. The sisters Povis provide many a rueful smile as they grope their way toward the realization that you must "brighten the corner where you are."

The production features Carolyn Ainsworth as Gertrude and Kira Hollywood as Minerva; with Malee Winters as their cousin Peonie and Joe McCollum as Peonie's boyfriend Chuck Bailey. Also featured are Joe Denham, Tifanee Spencer and Mary Jane Kisner as the rambunctious Reardon family that lives upstairs, and Matt Westbrook and Amber Miller as Mr. Davies and Miss Harmon of the New York Welfare agency.

"Farewell, Farewell Eugene" will be performed Tuesday through Saturday, October 26-30, at the Conrad Hilton Community Center in downtown Cisco. The first two performances are \$1.00 admission nights. Thursday through Saturday are dinner theatre nights with ticket prices at \$10.00. Dinner service begins at 7 p.m. with curtain time at 8 p.m. throughout the week. Reserve your tickets today by phoning (254) 442-2589, Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.



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**Elementary Honor Roll**

The Baird Elementary School is proud to announce the Honor Rolls for the 1st six weeks grading period of 1999-2000. To qualify for the all A honor roll a student must have a 90 or above in every subject. To qualify for the A-B honor roll a student must have at least two A's in academic subjects and nothing below an 80.

**All A's**  
 Jones 4th grade  
 Katelyn Johnson,  
 Rustin Williams  
**Menzies 4th**  
 Kate Dannheim  
**Diller-5th**  
 Jud Clark, Angela  
 Ellis, James Gettys,  
 Clinton Morgan  
**S. Williams-5th**  
 Megan Betcher,  
 Stephanie Burns,  
 Justin Roberts, Jacob  
 West

**Burns-6th**  
 Kayla Windham,  
 Justin Armstrong,  
 Chancey Pierce  
**T. Williams-6th**  
 Suzanne Ellis, Josh  
 Glaze, Blake Man-  
 ning, Chance Rodrigue

**A-B**  
 Jones-4th  
 Amanda Aguirre,  
 Nicole Darnell, Victoria  
 Suarez, Lauren  
 Thackerson

**Menzies-4th**  
 Nycole Ames, Loren  
 Diaz, Dillon Fox,  
 Cameron McIntire,  
 Clarice Miller, Travis  
 Warren  
**Diller-5th**  
 Cassie Burns, Kayla  
 Cardenas, Adam Clay-  
 ton, Haley Gray,  
 Amanda Jobe, Chance  
 White

**S. Williams-5th**  
 Jenna Garnett, Sum-  
 mer Hargrove, Candy  
 Jobe, Kerry Mendez,  
 Justin Patterson, Fab-  
 ian Portillo, Paige Rob-  
 inson

**Burns-6th**  
 Adriana Diaz,  
 Kaitlyn Walker, Colby  
 Rasbury, Cody Shouse,  
 Jordan Glaze, Roger  
 Wamsley, Roman  
 Castillo

**T. Williams-6th**  
 Kelby Cauthen, Cissy  
 Chavarria, Spencer  
 Goldsmith, Blane Scott,  
 Rebecca Tollett

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**Bears**

was good. 35-7 Baird. 1:25 remaining in the 3rd quarter. With 7:25 to go in the 4th quarter, Pruet scored on a 2-yd run. PAT by Russell was good. 42-7 Baird. The Bulldogs never again threatened, and gave the Bears district win #2.

The Bears will travel to Santa Anna Friday the 22nd. Come support these young athletes!

**Baird 42, Eden 7**

Justin Rivera rumbled for 244 of Baird's 277 yds rushing and led the Bears to a 42-7 win over the Eden Bulldogs in District 13-A action in Baird Friday.

Rivera had three TD's of more than 60 yds. They covered 61, 63 and 67 yds.

Starring defensively for the Bears was Mike Rudder, who had 12 tackles, four assists and a fumble recovery.

Baird is now 7-0 for the year, while Eden is 5-2.

Eden 0 7 0 0-7  
 Baird 7 2 7 7-42  
 Eden, Baird  
 First downs 15, 12  
 Rushes-yds 233, 277  
 Passing-yds 80, 101

**Go Bears!**

**DPS Report**

10-10-99 to 10-16-99  
 Cases Investigated  
 Warnings 84  
 Complaints 96  
 DWI 1

Accidents  
 There were 4 acci-  
 dents investigated dur-  
 ing this time span.

People Arrested on  
 Outstanding  
 Warrants:  
 6 for a total of  
 \$2,180.00 collected

**Jr. High Cross Country**

Saturday, Oct. 12th  
 1 mile run 7th grade  
 girls- 154 participants  
 \*BraAnna Tollett 9th  
 7:08

\*Lea Sweeney 15th  
 7:15  
 Misty McDowell  
 22nd 7:30

Kelsie West 47th 7:49  
 Jodi Neal 57th 7:55  
 Whitney Windham  
 114th 8:50

Team results  
 17 teams entered  
 1st Lincoln MS 67  
 points

2nd Eula 75 points  
 3rd Ballinger 77  
 points

4th Baird 114 points  
 5th Franklin 119  
 points

6th Hawley 168 points  
 7th Hamlin 178  
 points

8th Cross Plains 196  
 points  
 8th grade girls 142  
 participants

Traci Windham 21st  
 7:00  
 Shayne Cerda 38th  
 7:15

Belinda Harris 43rd  
 7:19  
 Amelia Carroll 48th  
 7:23

Holli Moore 75th 7:45  
 Team results  
 16 teams entered  
 1st Ballinger 22  
 points

2nd Hamlin 98  
 points  
 3rd Wylie JH 159  
 points

4th Miles 159 points  
 5th Baird 169 points  
 6th Madison 178  
 points

7th Franklin 194  
 points  
 8th Eastland 200  
 points

2 mile run Jr. High  
 boys  
 128 participants  
 \*Ben Warren 7th  
 13:04

Casey Burford, Josh  
 Rudder, Jeremy Sims  
 and Carter Burford  
 participated in the  
 meet.  
 \*Medalists

Comp-Att-Int 25-7-2,  
 13-7-0  
 Punts 5-32.2, 5-40  
 Fumbles-lost 4, 1  
 Penalties-yds 6-55, 5-  
 25

**Clyde 28, Brady 23**  
 A three yard TD pass from Grady Watts to Cody Brown with only eight seconds remain- ing in the game lifted Clyde to a 28-23 victory over Brady in a District 6-3A battle of Bulldogs in Clyde Friday.

Brady had knotted the score, 20-20 on a seven yard TD run by Ben Conrad with 6:14 left in the game, then scored the apparent winning points on a 22- yard field goal by Patrick Ledezma with only 1:37 left.

Clyde was n't through. Watts passed the hosts down the field quickly with comple- tions to Brown and John Kniffen, then hit the game-winner.

Clint Smith ran for the bonus points.

Brad led, 13-7, at in-  
 termission, thanks to a  
 49-yard run by Johnny  
 Menefield in the first  
 period and a one-  
 yarder by Rhett Boeh-  
 lers in the second.

Clyde's score came  
 on another Watts-to-  
 Brown aerial, this one  
 covering 15 yards.

Clyde dominated the  
 third period to go up, 20-  
 13 on a seven-yard run  
 by Brown and a 35-yard  
 return of a fumble re-  
 covery by Matt  
 Harmon.

Kniffen was Clyde's  
 leading receiver with  
 98 yards on four catch-

es.  
 Clyde is now 4-3 for  
 the year, while Brady  
 drops to 3-4. Both are 1-1  
 in district.

Brady 7 6 0 10-23  
 Clyde 0 7 13 8-28  
 Scoring Summary  
 B-Johnny Menefield,  
 49 run (Patrick  
 Ledezma kick)  
 B-Rhett Boehlers, 1  
 run (kick failed)

C-Cody Brown, 15  
 pass from Grady Watts  
 (Watts kick)  
 C-Brown, 7 run  
 (Watts kick)

B-Ben Conrad, 7 run  
 (Ledezma kick)  
 B-Ledezma, 22 FG  
 C-Brown, 3 pass from  
 Watts (Clint Smith  
 run)

Brady, Clyde  
 First downs 14, 14  
 Rushes-yds 45-197,  
 33-104

Passing-yds 80, 121  
 Comp-Att-Int 4-9-0,  
 10-21-1

Punts 2-36, 3-34  
 Fumbles-lost 2, 2  
 Penalties-yds 4-28, 7-  
 50

**Brone 38, Cross  
 Plains 0**

Steve Eldred rushed  
 for 125 yards and three  
 touchdowns Friday  
 night in Bronte to lead  
 Bronte to a 38-0 blasting  
 of Cross Plains.

Jerrod McClure, in  
 his first game back  
 since being injured  
 earlier in the season,  
 had eight carries for 118  
 yards, and one score.

With the win, Bronte  
 moves to 2-0 in district  
 play, and 6-1 overall.

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 School Menu**

**Mon., Oct. 25**  
 Breakfast: Cheese  
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 Lunch: Beef soup,  
 cheese sticks, corn  
 bread, tropical apples,  
 milk

**Tues., Oct. 26**  
 Breakfast:  
 Cinnamon rolls, juice,  
 milk  
 Lunch: Meat and  
 bean Chalupa/cheese,  
 lettuce, tomato, fruit  
 cobbler, milk

**Wed., Oct. 27**  
 Breakfast: Waffles,  
 juice, milk  
 Lunch: Chicken  
 spaghetti, peas and car-  
 rots, fruit, crackers,  
 milk

**Thurs., Oct. 28**  
 Breakfast: Toast,  
 jelly, juice, milk  
 Lunch: Pizza, corn  
 on the cob, tossed salad,  
 cake, milk

**Fri., Oct. 29**  
 Breakfast:  
 Cereal/toast, juice,  
 milk  
 Lunch: Bear Dogs/  
 chili, tator tots, pork-n-  
 beans, cookies, milk.

Cross Plains falls to 0-2  
 and 1-6.  
 McClure capped off  
 the win with a 69-yard  
 touchdown run.

Cross Plains 0 0 0 0-0  
 Bronte 14 7 10 7-38  
 Scoring Summary  
 B-Steve Eldrid 8 run  
 (Blake McKee kick  
 failed)

B-Eldred 3 run (pass  
 from Brandon Gibbs to  
 Zeb Speary)  
 B-Tim Green 19 re-  
 ception from Gibbs  
 (McKee kick)

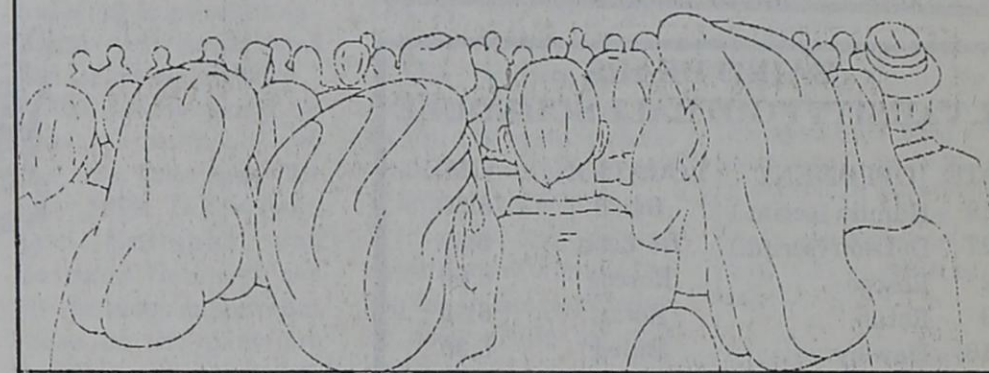
B-Eldred 5 run  
 (McKee kick)  
 B-McKee 35 field  
 goal  
 B-Jerrod McClure 69  
 run (McKee kick)

Cross Plains, Bronte  
 First downs 6, 14  
 Rushes-yds 28-78, 43-  
 309

Passing-yds 43, 19  
 Comp-Att-Int 4-14-0,  
 1-9-0

Punts 8-33.6, 4-30  
 Fumbles-lost 3-1, 2-0  
 Penalties-yds 10-56,  
 4-35

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**BAIRD BEARS VARSITY FOOTBALL SCHEDULE**

DATE	OPPONENT	LOCATION	TIME
8/19	Hamlin (scrim.)	Baird	8:00
8/27	DeLeon (scrim.)	DeLeon	8:00
9/3	Roscoe	Baird	8:00
9/10	Rotan	Baird	8:00
9/17	Hawley	Hawley	8:00
9/24	Throckmorton	Throckmorton	8:00
10/1	Anson	Baird	8:00
10/8	Miles*	Miles	7:30
10/15	Eden*	Baird	7:30
10/22	Santa Anna*	Santa Anna	7:30
10/29	Bronte*	Baird	7:30
11/5	Cross Plains*	Cross Plains	7:30

\*District Games



**Thurs., Oct. 21**  
**Baird JV**  
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**7:30 PM**

**BAIRD BEARS JR. VARSITY FOOTBALL SCHEDULE**

DATE	OPPONENT	LOCATION	TIME
8/19	Hamlin (scrim.)	Baird	6:30
8/27	DeLeon (scrim.)	De Leon	6:30
9/2	Roscoe	Roscoe	6:00
9/9	Rotan	Rotan	6:30
9/16	Hawley	Baird	6:30
9/23	Throckmorton	Baird	7:30
9/30	Anson	Anson	7:00
10/7	Open		
10/14	Eden	Eden	7:30
10/21	Santa Anna	Baird	7:30
10/28	Bronte	Bronte	7:30
11/4	Cross Plains	Baird	7:30


**BAIRD BEARS JR. HIGH FOOTBALL SCHEDULE**

DATE	OPPONENT	LEVEL	LOCATION	TIME
9/9	Rotan	8th	Rotan	5:00
9/16	Hawley	7th/8th	Hawley	4:00
9/23	Throckmorton	7th/8th	Baird	5:00
9/30	Anson	7th/8th	Anson	4:30
10/7	Miles	8th	Baird	6:00
10/14	Eden	8th	Eden	6:00
10/21	Santa Anna	8th	Baird	6:00
10/28	Bronte	8th	Bronte	6:00
11/4	Cross Plains	8th	Baird	6:00

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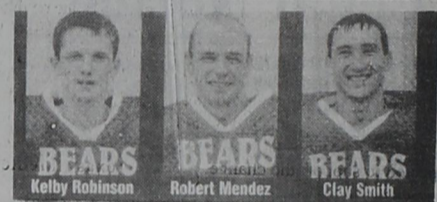
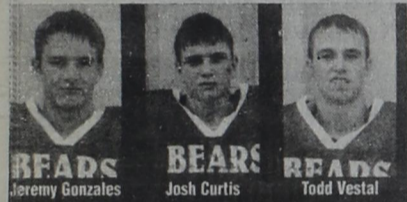
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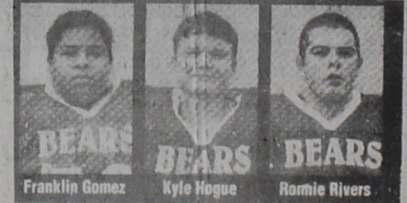
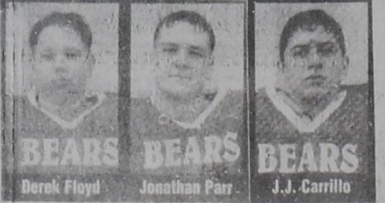
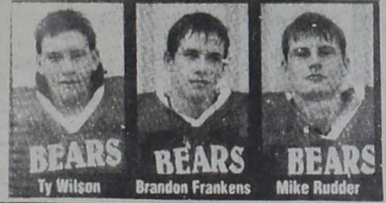
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## Annual Club Pig Sale For Rehab Held

The 9th Annual club Pig Sale for Rehab was held October 4, 1999, at the Wylie FFA Show

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(WTRC) with the high selling pig donated by Donald Love of Lamesa and purchased by Anderson Upton of Seminole for \$900. The \$18,650 is the highest single year amount raised in the nine years of the Pig sale with a grand total for all nine years of \$118,410. A record number of 116 buyers registered for the event.

General Chairman Don Richburg expressed his gratitude to all the volunteers for their hard work on this project, with special thanks to the students and parents of the Wylie FFA Chapter for preparing the animals and helping conduct the sale. The WTRC would also like to thank Chairman Don Richburg and all the volunteers who participated in making the Pig Sale such a big success every year.

stands to recover about \$700,000 from the settlement.

### Grants Aid Welfare-To-Work

Gov. Bush on Oct. 12 awarded the first of five "Innovation Grants" awarded to community- and faith-based organizations to assist people in getting off welfare and into employment.

The grants include stipulations that the grantees may not push religious beliefs, but all five went to faith-based organizations, raising concerns among some groups that the separation of church and state is becoming more and more blurred, the *Austin American-Statesman* reported.

Bush mentioned the grants during a stop at a South Austin church where he talked about how God and government can work together, the *American-Statesman* reported.

### Other Highlights

■ Agriculture Commissioner Susan Combs rode an 18-wheeler into the H-E-B grocery store's produce warehouse to deliver 5 million pounds of Texas-grown pinto beans. The \$1 million purchase was the first for the chain in more than a decade.

■ Schoolchildren are invited to a take a field trip without even leaving home. Texas Parks and Wildlife again this year will host a series of live Internet Web casts starting in November at [www.tpwd.state.tx.us/expltx/ef/](http://www.tpwd.state.tx.us/expltx/ef/).

■ Millions of monarch butterflies are migrating through the state en route to Mexico. The public can help track their path by calling Texas Parks & Wildlife, toll-free, at 1-877-818-1237.

■ The Texas Department of Health will receive \$400,000 in federal money as part of a national campaign to eliminate syphilis. Dallas County, with 126 cases, ranks ninth nationally.

### AG Seizes Illegal Slots

Attorney General John Cornyn last week announced the seizure of 73 eight-liner Las Vegas-style gambling machines and more than \$190,000 in illegal wagers and prizes in Collin County.

After an investigation, the machines and money were seized at Lucky Dog Game Rooms in Wylie and in Princeton and from the owners' bank accounts.

"The operation of eight-liner slot machines violates the law," Cornyn said.

"My office will work closely with local law enforcement to vigorously investigate and prosecute those who violate the law."

The owner of the businesses, James Hester, the owner of the "eight-liners," Michael Willis, and seven other persons were arrested for charges ranging from engaging in organized crime to promoting gambling to possessing gambling paraphernalia.

Search warrants also were served for the seizure of funds in their business accounts at Security Bank in Garland and at NationsBank in Plano. Seized accounts held \$155,000 in earnings from the operation of the eight-liners.

### AG Announces Settlement

Attorney General Cornyn last week announced a \$7.6 million settlement with Walgreen Co., the Illinois-based pharmacy chain.

Walgreen agreed to pay 25 state Medicaid programs and Puerto Rico to settle allegations the company submitted false claims to federal and state health-care programs from June 1986 to September 1996.

As part of the settlement, Walgreen agreed to modify its pharmacy billing operations to ensure compliance.

Texas' Medicare program



## HIGHLIGHTS

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TEXAS PRESS ASSOCIATION

AUSTIN — State Education Commissioner Jim Nelson last week told publishers they may have to rewrite first-grade textbooks to incorporate more phonics only a month before the books are set for approval.

The textbook publishers already have spent more than \$100 million developing the books and were concerned the State Board of Education may not approve them at the textbook-adoption hearing next month, *The Dallas Morning News* reported.

With backing from Gov. George W. Bush, the board members developed new curriculum standards two years ago requiring phonics to be used when teaching students to read.

State education officials told the publishers several months ago that a majority of the words in first-grade readers had to be phonics-based to meet requirements, *The News* reported. The publishers contend they met all state guidelines.

At least one board member opposes the "majority" rule and plans to propose an 80-percent standard. *The News* reported the board's six conservative members are expected to support the change.

## Drilling Permits In Texas Increasing

Higher prices have brought an upswing in permits to drill in Texas, according to data from September, 1999.

The Railroad Commission issued a total of 873 original drilling permits in September, compared to 638 in September 1998.

The September total included 623 permits to drill new oil and gas wells, 46 to re-enter existing well bores, and 204 for re-completions.

The latest totals on sales of crude oil and gas are tabulated for July, 1999. Totals from both Callahan and Eastland Counties are up in most cases from those of the previous month.

They are as follows:

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JULY - 115,645 Mcf of gas

JUNE - 111,587 Mcf of gas

JULY - 23,231 barrels of oil

JUNE - 23,322 barrels of oil

EASTLAND COUNTY:  
JULY - 449,203 Mcf of gas

JUNE - 418,449 Mcf of gas

JULY - 29,353 barrels of oil

JUNE - 25,371 barrels of oil

The Midland area, Deep South Texas and Southeast Texas continue to be the most active regions for oil drilling in the state. Drillings have picked up some, however, in West Central Texas, North Texas, and the San Angelo area.

The leading petroleum producing counties in the state include Gaines (crude oil) and Webb (natural gas). Midland and Pecos counties are among the top ten in the production of both crude oil and gas.

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## Charlie's Weekly Roundup

By Congressman Charlie Stenholm

### Emergency Care for Rural Hospitals

No one ever said balancing the federal checkbook would be easy but the consequences of the Balanced Budget Act of 1997 (BBA) have been a lot harder on rural hospitals than anyone, including Congress, anticipated.

During the '80's health care costs escalated at a pace which was rapidly approaching an unsustainable level. "Managed care" developed into a major mechanism for controlling the growth of costs by pulling in the reins on what, when and where medical procedures would be covered by insurance. Wanting to capitalize on that cost containment, the federal government began creating incentives for Medicare beneficiaries to choose managed care insurance plans, especially when compared to traditional fee-for-service insurance.

Here's the Catch-22 situation in which rural areas find ourselves as a result:

On the one hand, the government has sought to capitalize on managed care's lower costs, both by enhancing managed care and by tightening payments to

traditional fee-for-service providers. At the same time, the smaller populations and Medicare reimbursement rates in rural areas have failed to attract manage care to bring its business to town.

Thus, the government-promoted and financially beneficial managed care option remains unavailable to most rural residents while fee-for-service providers and consumers face tremendous Medicare cutbacks which threaten the availability of all health care to rural residents.

Operating in the black has always been a challenge for rural hospitals, both because of the smaller patient base from which to draw "customers" and because of the ever-increasing complexity of keeping pace with insurance company and

government paperwork and regulations.

Now, the new BBA restrictions on Medicare payments have brought the multiple pressures on rural hospitals to what many would call a breaking point.

Fortunately, the House Rural Health Care Coalition has heard the distress signals sent out by rural hospitals. Both Democrat and Republican, we have taken our case to all of the relevant House leaders, and there is reason now for cautious optimism that help is on its way.

This week, the chairman of the health subcommittee put forward a proposal that is a step in the right direction, although more help will be needed. He still has not dealt with the central issue of the Hospital Outpatient Pro-

spective Payment System for rural hospitals.

"Prospective payment" creates a pre-defined payment rate, based on the average costs for any given treatment. Rural hospitals are more reliant on outpatient services than urban hospitals and, therefore, are more vulnerable to Medicare payment cuts for these services. Also, since rural hospitals historically have tended to do more with less, most

had less of that "fat" which prospective payment is intended to cut.

Meanwhile, two influential members of the Senate have been moving on a parallel track in finding remedies for some of the harmful BBA cuts. Among other things, their proposal does include relief on the matter of prospective payment for rural hospitals.

The bottom line of all of this is that we're not

out of the woods yet but it does appear Congress is likely to deliver some relief to rural hospitals before the end of the year.

Just as government policies aren't the sole source of hospitals' financial challenges, neither will these remedies be the sole solution. Still, the government needs to do its part in keeping health services available to rural residents.

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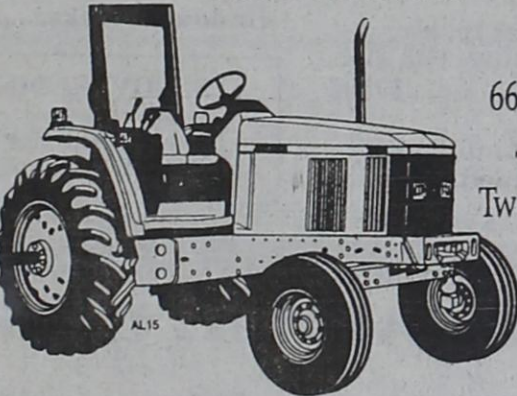
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# News Briefs

## TEXAS - ISRAEL AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH PROJECTS FUNDED

Agricultural Commissioner Susan Combs has announced that grant research projects - ranging from producing commercial medicinal plants from the desert to using a beetle to control salt cedar - have been approved for funding by the Texas-Israel Exchange Fund Board.

Combs said, "During my visit to Israel in June, I saw firsthand how similar much of our Texas landscape and climate is to Israel. We resemble each other in many ways."

"We can capitalize on these similarities through the Texas-Israel Exchange Research and Development Program, which was established to support agricultural research as well as enhance trade and business relations between Texas and Israel."

The board approved of \$250,000 in grants recommended by a five-member review team made up of researchers and producers.

Combs says she is interested in expanding the TIE program to include sending agricultural teams to Israel to allow Texas

farmers and ranchers to see some of the advances the Israelis are making on desert agricultural production.

In addition to receiving funding from the TIE board, most of the following grants also received separate funding from research institutions and universities in Israel where work will be ongoing.

The grants approved were:

### COMMERCIALIZATION OF NATIVE TEXAS AND ISRAELI MEDICINAL PLANTS.

This project will examine genetic enhancement of echinacea, primrose and matthiola. Extracts from matthiola and primrose have been shown to significantly reduce the risk of cardiovascular disease. Echinacea products are used to treat colds, flu, sore throats and to stimulate the immune system.

Production of improved varieties of these three plants could allow Texas and Israeli farmers to participate in an herbal market worth \$4 billion in the United States and \$7.5 billion in Europe.

The project received a TIE grant of \$48,569 and is based at Texas Tech University in Lubbock.

### USING AN ISRAELI LEAF BEETLE TO

## CONTROL SALT CEDAR IN TEXAS.

Insects from Israel will be used to control salt cedar, which consumes large amounts of groundwater, lowers water tables, causes springs to dry up, and damages native plants and animal communities. The project will be based at a quarantine facility in Temple to ensure the beetles will not feed or reproduce on non-target plants. The project received a TIE grant of \$32,069.

### THE SUITABILITY OF BEEFMASTER AS A BREED IN THE MIDDLE EAST.

This project will monitor the adaptability of Beefmaster cattle, a breed developed in Texas, to Israeli grazing conditions. If the Beefmaster breed can thrive in Israel, and beef markets are developed in neighboring Middle Eastern countries, Texas and Israel are each estimated to gain \$5 million from cattle genetic and beef sales. The project received a \$24,294 TIE grant. A herd of Beefmaster cattle has been established at the Texas A&M University Research Center in San Angelo to serve as a permanent donor base for embryo transfers.

### SUBSURFACE DRIP IRRIGATION STRATEGIES.

This project's objective is to save water, improve quality and increase yields of Texas vegetable crops, especially watermelons and onions grown in Texas's Winter Gar-

den region. The project received a \$47,458 TIE grant and is based at the Texas Agricultural Extension Service at Uvalde and Texas A&M University in College Station.

IMPROVING IRRIGATION BY CONTROLLING SOIL CRUSTING. Many soils in arid and semi-arid regions are structurally unstable and tend to form a seal or hard barrier resulting in water runoff and erosion. Preliminary research has shown that adding small amounts of synthetic polymer may prevent seal formation. A better understanding of how to apply polymers to soil could increase irrigation water management for Texas and Israeli farmers. The project received a \$27,681 TIE grant and is based at Texas Tech University in Lubbock.

### ECONOMICAL ANALYSIS OF USING RECYCLED WASTEWATER FOR IRRIGATION.

The project will analyze the most economical ways to reuse waste water to irrigate crops. The project received a \$21,348 TIE grant and is based at the Lower Colorado River Authority in Austin.

EXAMINING SEA URCHIN AQUACULTURE PRODUCTION. Due to high demand, sea urchin fisheries have been overharvested and natural production is declining worldwide. This project will look at farm fishing sea urchin roe, one of the world's most

## THC To Accept Book Award Nominations

AUSTIN-The Texas Historical Commission (THC) is accepting for its annual T.R. Fehrenbach Book Award. THC will award up to three \$1,000 cash prizes to authors of Texas history books published in 1999.

The book award encourages original research of Texas History. The award is named for historian and THC commission member T.R. Fehrenbach of San Antonio, one of the states leading authorities on Texas History and the author of 18 books.

costly seafood, as a new aquaculture crop for Texas. The project received a \$48,581 TIE grant and is based at the Texas Agricultural Experiment Station in Port Arkansas.

Thursday, October 21, 1999  
and a nomination form, visit the THC web site at www.the.state.tx.us, contact Marty Moulthrop at 512-463-6255, or write Texas Historical Commission, Marketing Communications Division, P.O. Box 12276 Austin, Tx 78711-2276.



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# Obituaries

## Addie Hughes

BAIRD- Addie Hughes, 91, died Thursday, October 14, 1999 at a local nursing center.

Services were held at 2 p.m. Sunday, October 17, 1999 at Parker Funeral Home Chapel. Gary Williams officiated. Burial was in the Ross Cemetery Annex.

Mrs. Hughes was born in 1908 in Elf City, Oklahoma. She was a homemaker and had

lived in Baird since 1970. She was a member of the Baird Church of Christ. She married Arthur Elmer Hughes in Seymour in 1924.

Survivors are three sons, Elmer Hughes of Dallas, Jimmy Hughes of Beggs, OK, and Bill Hughes of Baird; 12 grandchildren; 19 great-grandchildren; and four great-great-grandchildren.

## Sharon McKelvy

EULA- Sharon Ann McKelvy Hutcherson, 53, died Saturday, October 16, 1999 at her home.

Services were held at 2 p.m. Sunday, October 17, 1999 at the Clyde Cemetery, Rev. Riley Fugitt officiated, directed by Bailey Funeral Home.

Mrs. Hutcherson was born in 1946 in Decatur. She married J.L. Hutcherson in 1972 in Virginia. They moved to Abilene in

1972 and to Eula in 1991. She was a housewife.

Survivors are her husband, J.L. Hutcherson; three sons, Shane Hutcherson, Warren Hutcherson both of Eula, and Russell Hutcherson of Abilene; a daughter, Christy Vasquez of Abilene; a brother, R.L. "Bob" McKelvy of Clyde; a sister, Marilyn Gibbs of Abilene; and four grandchildren.

## C.M. Wheeler

Clifford Mack "C.M." Wheeler, 80, died Friday, October 15,

1999 at a local hospital. Services were held at 2 p.m. in Rose Hill

Cemetery in Merkel, Tommy Shaver officiated, directed by Starbuck Funeral Home.

Mr. Wheeler was born in 1919 in McLain County in Oklahoma. He was a self-employed truck driver for 35 years. After retiring he was a security guard for several years. He was a member of the Church of Christ.

Survivors are three

sons, Don Wheeler of Whitehall, N.Y., Robert Wheeler of Abilene and Royce "Buzz" Wheeler of Baird; three daughters, Charlene Burditt of New Mexico, Nelda Keith of Baird and Jody Rogers of Denton Valley; and a special friend, Frances Middleton.

Memorials may be made to a favorite charity.

## Jr. Livestock Committee Holds Golf Tournament

On Saturday, October 9, the Baird Jr. Livestock committee held their 2nd annual golf tournament at Shady Oaks Golf Course. Our 1st place team was Doug Thompson, Kyla Neal, Mindy McDowell, and Terry Neal. The 2nd place team was Danny Lewis, Benny Nichols, Kim Holland, and Jim Clark. The 3rd place team consisted of Ty Barton, Sage Diller, Kim Vestal, and Susan McCool. We would like to thank everyone who helped make this golf tournament possible. A special thanks goes to all the hole sponsors which were Dr.

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Baird FFA Reporter Teri Windham

## Callahan Recognition Honors Volunteers

The Callahan County Recognition was held at the Clyde Senior Center on Tuesday, September 21, 1999. It was a covered dish supper and as usual the good cooks of Callahan County rose to the occasion! Our entertainment was provided by the Clyde Senior Citizen Band. We all enjoyed the wonderful country music, the old tunes brought back many memories.

Then it was time to give recognition to our Callahan County Volunteers. Receiving 600 hour awards were, Priscilla Alldredge, Billie Unrein, Susie Wylie, Sara McDougal, Helen Akens, Jeannie

Elkins, Brownie Hanner, Nila Towler, Dorothy Peart, George Peart, Velma Young, Pauline Parsons. Clyde volunteer of the year is Vonnah Hawkins, she was honored for her work as volunteer service with Clyde Jr. High where she has been working in the reading program. Baird's volunteer of the year is Lucibel Manion, honored for her community volunteer service in nursing homes.

Our thanks to our Callahan County Coordinators, Helen Akens of Clyde and Velma Young of Baird for all their hard work making arrangements for the event.

## Senior Citizens' News

The Baird Senior Citizens center is at the Baird Power Plant while their home is being repaired. The Center is open from Monday to Friday, 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM.

We enjoy visitation, card games, dominoes, and other activities. On Wednesday the 20th, we will go into Abilene to shop. We will leave at the center at 1:00 PM. anyone who wants to go into Abilene, be at the center or call the center.

On Thursday the 21st we will have a special guest to share a program with us on preparing for those special occasions. We will start preparing for our Annual Garage sale and Bake sale to be held on Saturday, October 30th. If you have anything you would like to donate, please call to let us know we will be glad to pick up things. If you are interested in donating baked items it would be greatly appreciated.

On Fridays we play Bingo. There is a cash

reward for the grand winner. We have a great deal of fun and would enjoy all of the Senior citizens to join us at the Center.

Flu Shots will be given here at the center 200 Walnut on Friday the 29th of October from 10 to 11 a.m. Bring your medicare card!

The plans for a Halloween Party will be announced later. There are other plans in the making that you may want to participate in, so we encourage all Senior citizens to support their local Center.

Submitted by: Delores Stewart.

## Prayer At Texas High School Football Games

By Duane K. Hale, Ph.D.



The introduction is written by someone who spent 19 years in Texas football, 11 years as a player and another eight years as a coach. I left coaching to go to graduate school and study to receive my Ph.D. in history. I taught at Navajo Community College in Arizona, at the University of Minnesota, the University of Oklahoma, and am now a history teacher at Cisco Junior College in Abilene. Prayer was taken out of the classrooms in 1962 and Bible reading in 1963, now there is no prayer in high school football games. My aunt, Ida Hazlewood, who lives west of Cisco called this to my attention, "Why not sing the 2nd, 3rd, and 4th stanzas of the Star-Spangled Banner at games?" Francis Scott Key's words written in 1814 during the bombardment of Fort McHenry were revised in 1914 by Oscar Sonneck and sung to the music published by Benjamin Carr of Baltimore. As the song grew in popularity, it was adopted as the national anthem by an Act of Congress in 1931. I believe that only three stanzas were actually adopted, leaving out stanza number three which has been preserved in F. Scott Key's own handwriting (see *Annals of America*, Chicago: Encyclopedia Britannica, 1976, volume 4, page 353-354):

Oh! Say, can ye see by the dawn's early light  
What so proudly we hail'd by the twilight's last gleaming,  
Whose broad stripes and bright stars, through the perilous fight,  
O'er the ramparts we watch'd, were so gallantly streaming?  
And the rocket's red glare, the bombs bursting in air,  
Gave proof thro' the night that our flag was still there,  
Oh, say, does that Star-Spangled Banner yet wave  
O'er the land of the free and the home of the brave?

On the shore, dimly seen thro' the mists of the deep,  
Where the foe's haughty host in dread silence reposes,  
What is that which the breeze, o'er the towering steep,  
As it fitfully blows half conceals, half discloses?  
Now it catches the gleam of the morning's first beam,  
In full glory reflected now shines in the stream;  
O'er the land of the free and the home of the brave

And where is that host that so valiantly swore  
That the havoc of war and battle's confusion  
A home and a country should leave us no more?  
Their blood has wash'd out foul footsteps' pollution  
No refuge could give the hireling and slave  
From the terror of flight or the gloom of the grave  
And the star-spangled banner in triumph doth wave  
O'er the land of the free and home of the brave.

O' 't is be it ever when free men shall stand  
Between their loved homes and the war's desolation  
Blest with vict'ry and peace, may the heav'n rescued land  
Praise the Power that hath made and preserved us a nation  
Then conquer we must for our cause it is just  
And this be our motto: In God is our trust.  
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Evening Worship, 6:00 p.m.  
Wednesday: Ladies Bible Class,  
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7:00 p.m.

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Morning Worship, 11:00 a.m.;  
Youth Group 5:00 p.m.; Eve-  
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morning worship, 11:00 a.m.;  
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p.m.; Wednesday night, 7:00  
p.m.

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Dixie Robertson, Pastor  
Sunday Schedule: Worship 8:30  
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a.m.; Sunday School 9:45 a.m.;  
Worship 10:50 a.m. Youth Bible  
Studies and Activities 6:00 p.m.;  
Wednesday Schedule: Kid's  
Club 6:15-7:30 p.m.; Youth Fel-  
lowship 6:15-7:30 p.m. Adult  
Classes 6:30-7:30 p.m.

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Ronnie Timms, Pastor  
S. 604 California  
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Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.; Sun-  
day morning worship, 11:00  
a.m.; Sunday evening worship,  
6:00 p.m.; Wednesday night,  
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Worship 11:00 a.m.; Prayer and  
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Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.; Sun-  
day morning worship, 11:00  
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day evening, 6:30 p.m.; Wed-  
nesday Evening, 7:30 p.m.

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529-3768

Johnny Haines, Pastor  
Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.; Sun-  
day morning worship, 10:55  
a.m.; Discipleship Training, 5:00  
p.m.; Sunday evening worship,  
6:00 p.m.; Wednesday Prayer,  
7:15 p.m.

**CHERRY HEIGHTS BAPTIST CHURCH**

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Jimmy Davis, Pastor  
Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.; Sun-  
day morning worship, 11:00  
a.m.; Sunday evening worship,  
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7:00 p.m.

**HERITAGE BAPTIST CHURCH**

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893-2783

Sunday Morning service, 10:30  
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Sunday School, 10:00 a.m.;  
Sunday morning worship, 11:00  
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7:00 p.m.; Wednesday Bible  
Study, 7:00 p.m.

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893-4723

Bible Class, 10:00 a.m.; Sun-  
day worship, 10:55 a.m.; Sun-  
day evening worship, 6:00 p.m.;  
Wednesday evenings, 7:00 p.m.

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Sunday morning worship, 11:00  
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Wednesday evening, 6:00 p.m.

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pliance with specifications and oversees district lab operations. In addition, Hoelscher is also responsible for reviewing construction plans and specifications, change orders, supplemental agreements, memorandum agreements and final estimates prior to submittal.

Crawford is a familiar face in the Abilene district as he had served as the district construction engineer from August 1997 until taking over his new position on Sept. 1. He began his TxDOT career in June 1981 as a summer employee in Austin's General Service Division.

Immediately following his graduation from the University of Texas at Austin in 1985, Crawford went to work as an engineering assistant and assistant area engineer in the Houston Northwest area office. Prior to coming to the Abilene district, Crawford worked as a construction and maintenance field engineer for the construction and maintenance division in Austin.

Hoelscher began his career with the department in May 1984 as a

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co-op student in the Odessa district design section. He worked there for three semesters while pursuing a bachelor of science degree in civil engineering from Texas A&M University. Upon graduation in 1986, Hoelscher went to work as an engineering assistant and assistant area engineer in the Odessa area office.

In September 1994, he transferred to the Fort Stockton area office as the area engineer and remained there until taking over his new duties on Sept. 15.

A native of Austin, Crawford is married to the former Cammy Chedsey of Coalmont, Colorado. They have two children: a daughter, Sarah, and a son, Owen Scott. His hobbies include playing tennis and basketball, traveling, and playing with his children.

Hoelscher hails from San Angelo and the Lubbock area. He and his wife Ronda have two daughters, Lashara and Kayla, and a son, James. His hobbies include biking and camping out with his family.

Where do we get our drinking water? Our drinking water is obtained from Surface water sources. It comes from BAIRD LAKE. TNRCC will be reviewing all of Texas' drinking water sources. The source water assessment process will be completed in three years.

**ALL drinking water may contain contaminants**

Drinking water, including bottled water, may reasonably be expected to contain at least small amounts of some contaminants. The presence of contaminants does not necessarily indicate that water poses a health risk. More information about contaminants and potential health effects can be obtained by calling the Environmental Protection Agency's Safe Drinking Water Hotline (800-426-4791).

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**Receives**

**Grant**

The Callahan County Library has received a \$3000.00 unrestricted grant from the Inaugural Endowment Fund. The fund from which the grants have been awarded was established by the Legislature with money raised in excess of expenses for the 1999 Inauguration of Governor George W. Bush and Lieutenant Governor Rick Perry.

The committee, composed of The First Lady of Texas, Laura Bush, Mrs. Anita Perry, Mrs. Nelda Laney and Mr. John Nau, chair of the Texas Historical Commission reviewed the projects for funding. The legislation specifies that money from the fund may be used to support Texas public libraries. The Committee was able to make grants to fifty-three libraries across the state this year.

highest level of a containment in drinking water. MCLs are set as close to the MCLGs as feasible using the best available treatment technology.

Maximum Containment Level Goal (MCLG)- The level of a containment in drinking water below which there is not known or expected health risk. MCLGs allow for a margin of safety.

Treatment Technique- A required process intended to reduce the level of a containment in drinking water.

Action Level- The concentration of a containment which, if exceeded, triggers treatment or other requirements which a water system must follow.

Nephelometric Turbidity Units (NTU)

**Taylor Electric Youth Tour Contest Oct. 26**

Taylor Electric will be having it's annual Youth Tour Contest on Tuesday, October 26 at 7:00 p.m. at the Taylor Electric office in Merkel.

This is an oratorical contest and the winner receives an all expense paid trip to Washington

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The topic of the

speech is "You are a news reporter and have time travel capabilities."

Travel to any past event and give a report for the Taylor Electric News." If you would like to enter this contest please notify Linda Jones at Taylor Electric for an entry form.

The office numbers are 928-4715 or 800-992-0086.

**Baird, Clyde Move Up With Wins, Cross Plains Loses**

In district 13-A, Baird beat Eden, 42-7 but Cross Plains lost to Bronte, 38-0. In other 13-A action, Miles beat Santa Anna, 41-12.

Clyde beat Brady, 28-23 in District 6-3A and Ballinger beat grape Creek, 42-9, and Wylie

beat Merkel, 61-7 in that district.

Gordon and Strawn continue to dominate Six-Man District 12: Gordon beat Blum, 48-0; Strawn whipped Morgan, 72-12; and walnut Springs beat Iredell, 46-0.



**Inorganics**

Year	Constituent	Highest Level at Any Sampling Point	Range of Detected Levels	MCL	MCLG	Unit of Measure	Source of Constituent
1997	Barium	0.11	0.1100-0.1100	2	2	ppm	Discharge of drilling wastes; Discharge from metal refineries; Erosion of natural deposits.
1995	Gross beta emitters	6.1	6.1000-6.1000	50	0	pci/l	Decay of natural and man-made deposits.

**Turbidity**

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Year	Constituent	Highest Single Measurement	Lowest Monthly % of Samples Meeting Limits	Turbidity Limits	Unit of Measure	Source of Constituent
1998	Turbidity	0.42	100	0.5	NTU	Soil runoff.

**Lead and Copper**

Year	Constituent	The 90th Percentile	Number of Sites Exceeding Action Level	Action Level	Unit of Measure	Source of Constituent
1996	Copper	0.3400	0	1.3	ppm	Corrosion of household plumbing systems; Erosion of natural deposits; Leaching from wood preservatives.
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