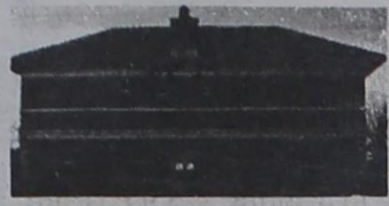


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## Clyde School Board Joined by New Members, Including Elliott Park

A 1987 GRADUATE OF Clyde High School, the son of Ernie and June Park is now on the Clyde School Board, to fill the unexpired term of John Connel.

Park was voted in by the Clyde School Board on Thursday, May 18 in the Clyde High School Library. Park is a teacher/coach at Clyde Junior High School and was voted in, in an executive session at 7:06 p.m.

### Physicals for Baird Athletes

Physicals for Baird athletes, 6-12 grade boys and girls planning on playing sports for the 2006-07 school year must have a physical. Physicals will be offered on June 8th at 1:00 at the B.H.S. gym by Dr. Calvo.

The price is \$15.00 for the physical. If students do not physicals at this time they may make their appointment at a later date. UIL and B.I.S.D. policy requires that all athletes have physicals each year.

### Order Prohibiting Outdoor Burning

Whereas, in accordance with Section 240.906 of the Local Government Code, the Callahan County Commissioners Court had found that dry conditions in the unincorporated areas of Callahan County create a public safety hazard that would be exacerbated by outdoor burning, and whereas, such a finding authorizes the issuance of an order which prohibits or restricts outdoor burning:

Now Therefore be it Ordered that the following regulations are hereby established for all unincorporated areas of Callahan County, Texas.

in a meeting which was to discuss some names for appointing someone to fill the place vacated by John Connel, who resigned at Thursday, May 81's school board meeting.

The school board President Greg Welch said that school board members discussed several individuals in addition to Park, to replace Connel, which were nameless.

After executive session the school board went back into open session, at 7:28 p.m. and returned with board member Endgate Hawk making a motion to appoint Elliott Park to fill the seat of Connel on the school board. Board member Tina Sartor made a second which made the motion carry by 5-0.

Voting aye were Sartor, Hawk, Welch, Larry Pittman and Kenneth Kniffen. Not able to attend the meeting was school board member Gary Don Barr.

Park graduated from C.H.S. in 1987 and attended McMurry graduating in 1992 with a Bachelor of Arts degree in graphics and graphics illustration. Park stated that he is employed as a commercial graphics illustrator with clients in Dallas area, as well as nationwide.

Elliott met Pamela his wife while in Arlington for eight years. They moved back to Clyde in 2000. Elliott and Pamela have been married for 11 years. The couple have John, age seven, a first grader at Clyde Elementary School as well as three other children. Park said Anna, age four, is on a waiting list to enroll in the Clyde Pre-Kindergarten program with another child, Autumn, age two and one-half years and another one-month old child, April who Elliott said is the latest and the last.

After a busy life preoccupied with his children and working, Elliott said that he has been thinking about running for the school board for a couple of years now.

Park said the appointment and he knows he has a lot to learn. Park said that he hopes

to offer a fresh start for items brought before the board.

Two other names were brought to the attention of Board President Greg Welch about filling the term of Connel.

He stated that the school board did not consider appointing any of the three former school board members who lost in the most recent election, after the question of who would be appointed to fill the vacancy left by Connel.

Park was given his oath of office at the Monday, May 22 school board meeting, along with the newly elected board members Nathan Tinkle, Natalie Hermes and Christina Lacey.

Welch said that appoint-

ing the incumbent board members who ran and were not elected were in fact still on the school board when the appoint of Park was made and that their appointment would have actually been illegal.

When asked, Welch said that new school board members must complete 15 hours of board training in their first year in office. He said existing board members need 10 hours annually. He also said the new school board members will be invited to attend the Summer Leadership Institute in San Antonio, where they can accumulate up to 14-1/2 hours of board training. He said additional school board members must also complete training on the Open Meeting Act sometime within the next 90 days.

Other agenda items brought before the school board's attention Thursday, May 16, 2006 were.

Board members voted 5-0 to accept the resignation of school board member John Connel on a motion by Kniffen and seconded by Pittman, effective May 18. After the school board approved Connel's resignation, he stated that he hates to deny his daughter-in-law of working for the best school district in the state, but he also thanked everyone for giving him the opportunity to serve Clyde C.I.S.D. Connel will be missed by everyone on the School Board of Clyde for his years of service.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:29 p.m. by a motion by Pittman and seconded by Sartor with a 5-0 vote of adjournment.

## Commissioners Meet in Regular Session On June 12

The Commissioners' Ct. of Callahan County met in regular session with the following officers present to wit: Roger Corn, Judge Presiding; Harold Hicks, Commissioner Pct. No. 1; Bryan Farmer, Commissioner Pct. No. 2; Bryan Farmer, Commis. Pct. #2; Tommy Holland, Commi. Pct. No. 3; Doris Grider, Comm. Pct. No. 4; Dianne Alexander, County Treasurer; and Jeanie Bohannon, County Clerk, and ex-Officio Clerk of the Com-

missioners' Ct. at June 12, 2006 with the meeting called to order at 9:31 a.m. by Judge Corn.

The minutes of May 22, were approved as presented with no public comments.

Commissioner Farmer made a motion to accept a Resolution with Texas Grant Works Progra. This is to help homeowners directly affected by the wild-

fires occurring on December 28, 2005. Commissioner seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner Holland made a motion to approve a two year Contract with Indigent Healthcare Solutions. The Contract covers June 1, 2006 through June 1, 2008. With a second from Commis. Farmer the motion carried 5-0.

The motions to appropriate pay bills was made by Commissioner Grider with Comm. Hicks seconding and the motion carried by all present.

Commissioner Hicks made a motion to approve an Order Prohibiting certain Fireworks in Unincorporated Areas of Callahan County. A second was made by Commissioner Grider and the motion carried 5-0.

No action was made at this meeting on the burn ban but see attached addendum.

Commissioner Farmer made a motion to adjourn at 11:05 a.m. Commissioner Holland seconded and the motion carried

## Baird Coyotes Finish 2006 Minor League Tournament Campaign

The 2006 Baird Coyotes finished their season last Wednesday falling to the Key City (Abilene) Cardinals 14-1 in the second round of the District 5 Minor League Tournament. The previous night the Coyotes had beaten the Southern (Abilene) Bulldogs 12-9 in their biggest victory of the season. The Baird boys took it to the Abilene team early, scoring 9 runs in the first inning as every member of the Coyote starting lineup crossed the plate one time. The big blows came on Nickolas Darnell's three run homer and later in the

inning on Preston Clark's three run double. Garrett Deel chipped in two hits for the game, as the Coyotes added three more runs.

Jake Green started on the mound for Baird and went 4 plus innings to get the win. With Abilene Southern mounting a late rally in the bottom of the 5th inning, Anthony Urdialez came in to pitch with no outs and two runners on base. Urdialez proceeded to retire the next three batters on two

strikeouts and a soft liner back to the mound to notch the save and preserve the Coyotes three run victory. The Coyotes played perhaps their best game of the year, as Green and Urdialez were both sharp on the mound, and solid defense was provided by Ezekiel Fabela in left field, Sam Green at catcher, Rode Hargrove in centerfield, Shane Thackerson and Coby McGonagil at third base, and Dooley Boyd and Tyler Meyer in right field. These boys have a world of talent, and represented the town of Baird well during this tournament and during the regular season playing against the Clyde league. You can expect very big things from this group as they grow up in our community.

For the season (14 games), Deel led the team in hitting, with a .548 batting average, also scoring 21 runs with 2 home runs and 20 stolen

bases. Darnell followed with .429 average, with 3 home runs (including a mammoth blast over the Clyde centerfield fence) and 20 RBIs. Jake Green batted .368 with one homer and two triples. Clark batted .355 clip in the leadoff position and Urdialez batted .296 with a home run and 19 stolen bases. Also posting hits for the Coyotes were Fabela, McGonagil, Meyer, and Boyd. Sam Green led the team in walks with 20, while Hargrove added nine runs and five stolen bases, and Thackerson posted six stolen bases. Pitching for the Coyotes were Jake Green, Urdialez, Deel, Clark, Thackerson and Sam Green. Manager for the Coyotes was Shane Deel, and coaches were Ronald Green and Jeff Clark. Tee Barton was the scorekeeper for the team and also served as League President. The Coyotes sponsor was Burke Robinson.

## Baird High School Homecoming To Be Held September 16, 2006

The Baird High School Homecoming has been set for September 16, 2006. All the activities this year will be on Saturday, September 16th including the game. We are trying to update our address file and are needing addresses for the following people from the class of 1960-1966;

Joann Bryant, Jessie England, Silas Floyd, Lavonia Kerby, Anna Schaffrina Leslie, Larry Mosley, Eddy Patterson, Linda Shafer Pruitt, Darrel Strickland, Anita Strange Taylor, Richard Higgins, Brenda Hughes Smith, J.P. Stanley, George Westbrook, Paul Austin, Odie Gleghorn, Ruth Mauldin, Kitsy Ross, Charles Woods, Lula Mae Walker Corley, Jimmy Drennan, Ronnie Elliott, Basilio Garcia, Douglas Jaggars, Lee Nelson, Lawrence Westbrook, Carol Fox Cole, Jim Fitzgerald,

Vicky Norman Martin, Raymond O Bryant, Linda Patterson, Ronnie Price, Louise Meyers Davis, Judy Deason Jones, Carol Drennan Naegele, Sharon Young Seidemeyer.

We are putting a few names each week and will continue for the next several weeks. If you have any information about these former students, please let us know at P.O. Box 954, Baird, Texas 79504, or call 854-1497.

Thanks for your help. Baird Ex-Students Assn.

## First United Methodist Youth To Hold Garage Sale July 14th & 15th

Baird First United Methodist Youth are having a garage sale on Friday, July 14th from 8:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m. and Saturday, July 15th from 8:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m. They are in need of items for this fundraiser and are asking the community, as well as all our

church members, to donate their unused trash and treasures. Money raised will support a Discipleship Now weekend and trip to Six Flags. If you have items to donate, please call Brenda Lewis at 854-5994 or Catherine Brock at 854-2053.

## D.P.S. Report

6-4 -06 to 6-10 - -06

<b>Cases Investigated</b>	<b>Fugitive Arrest.....1</b>
<b>Warnings.....78</b>	<b>D.W.I.....2</b>
<b>Complaints.....112</b>	<b>There was 2 accident investigated during this time span.</b>
<b>Fail to Stop and Render Aide.....</b>	

Thanks for Reading the Star

## Help Keep Light Burning At Nutrition

Callahan County Nutrition Project would like to ask the general public to help us monitor the Clyde Center, and kitchen, making sure the outside porch lights remain burning during the week, and especially on weekends. We had a power outage past

weeks due to a squirrel, causing this problem inside the building. This is very important, due to freezers, milk boxes and refrigerators. If this had not been discovered, the project would have lost several hundred dollars of food. Please help us in reporting when the porch lights are not burning.

Numbers to call: Don Haley 893-5338, Katie Dunn 854-2403; Callahan County Sheriff's Dept. 854-1444; Vickie Burns 854-2042. Please keep trying until you reach someone. Your help will be appreciated. The seniors can also help. Anytime you are out, please call by the center to check.

**Obituary**

**Gregory Kilough**

Gregory Leon Kilough of Clyde went to be with his heavenly Father on Sunday, June 4, 2006 at 4:30 p.m. Funeral services will be at 4:30 p.m., Thursday at the First Baptist Church in Clyde with Dr. Toby Henson officiating. Burial will follow in the

Clyde Cemetery under the direction of Bailey Funeral Home.

Greg was born on November 5, 1958 to Jewel Franklin Kilough and Lily Dale Walters in Baird, TX. He was one of four children. He lived in Clyde most of

his life and attended school in Clyde. Greg was a member of the First Baptist Church.

Greg married Nancy Carolyn Smith on March 28, 1978. He served in the United States Marine Corps. Greg worked in the oilfield and as a drywall technician until his illness made it impossible.

Greg loved the outdoors, fishing and planting his garden. He really loved children

and had a wonderful sense of humor. Greg could always make us laugh. He was always ready to lend a helping hand and had many friends. We will all miss him.

He is survived by his wife Nancy; two daughters, Angela Marshall Wylie and husband, Mark of Baird and Amy Lee Ann Kilough of Clyde; three grandsons, Brandon Lee Hobbs of Eula, Matthew Xavier Coronel and Jacob Leon Coronel both of Abilene; one brother, Audie Kilough and wife, Vickey of Baird and their children, Julie Kilough, Jason, Aaron and Mark Kilough; two sisters, Helen Wilson and husband, Jimmy of Baird and their children, Christi Brown; her children, Danielle, Dacey and Danessa, all of Abilene and Caden Wilson; Justin Wilson and his children, Sebastian and Kaitlyn, All of Baird; Darla Stutz and husband, Michael of Clyde and their children, Brian and Courtney Brown, Christopher, Clint, Chelsea and Sarah Stultz.

He was preceded in death by his father, Frank Kilough and his niece, Misty Lachelle Brown.

Visitation was from 6-7:30 p.m. Wednesday at the Funeral Home.

should be reported to VA at 1-800-FED-INFO (1-800-333-4636).

We apologize for any inconvenience or concern this situation may cause, but we at VA believe it is important for you to be fully informed of any potential data resulting from this incident. Again, we want to reassure you we have no evidence that your protected data has been misused. We will keep you apprised of any further developments. The men and women of the VA take your obligation to honor and serve American's veterans very seriously and we are committed to ensuring that this never happens again.

In accordance with current policy, the Internal Revenue Service has agreed to forward this letter because we do not have current addresses for all affected individuals. The IRS has not disclosed your address or any other tax information to us.

Sincerely yours, R. James Nicholson.

**Veteran's NEWS**

Dear Veteran: The Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) has recently learned that an employee took home electronic data from the VA, which he was not authorized to do and was in violation of established policies. The employee's home was burglarized and this data was stolen. The data contained identifying information including names, social security numbers and dates of birth for up to 25.5 million veterans and some spouses, as well as some disability ratings. As a result of this incident, information identifiable with you was potentially exposed to others. It is important to not that the affected data did not include any of VA's electronic health records or any financial information.

Appropriate law enforcement agencies, including the FBI and the VA inspector General's office, have launched full-scale investigations into this matter. Authorities believe it is unlikely the perpetrators targeted the

items because of any knowledge of the data contents.

Out of an abundance of caution, however VA is taking all possible steps to protect and inform our veterans. While you do not need to take any action unless you are of these. Specific information is included in the enclosed question and answer sheet. For additional information, the VA has teamed up with the Federal Trade Commission and has a Web site ([www.firstgov.gov](http://www.firstgov.gov)) with information on this matter or you may call 1-800-FED-INFO (1-800-333-4636) The call center will operate from 8 a.m. to 9 p.m. (EDT), Monday through Saturday as long as it needed.

Beware of any phone calls, e-mails, and other communications from individuals claiming to be from VA or other official sources, asking for your personal information or verification information. If you receive such communications, they

**Answers to Frequently Asked Questions:**

1-I'm a veteran, how can I tell if my information was compromised.--At this point, there is no evidence that any missing data has been used illegally. However, the Department of Veterans Affairs is asking all veterans to be extra vigilant and to carefully monitor bank statements, credit card statements and any statements relating to recent financial transactions. If you notice unusual or suspicious activity, you should report it immediately to the financial institution involved and contact the Federal Trade Commission for further guidance.

2. What is the earliest date at which suspicious activity might have occurred due to this data breach?--The information was stolen from an employee of the Department of Veterans Affairs during the month of May, 2006. If the data has been misused or otherwise used to commit fraud or identify theft crimes, it is likely that veterans may notice suspicious activity during the month of May.

3. I haven't noticed any suspicious activity in my financial statements, ut what can I do to protect myself and prevent being victimized by credit card fraud or identity theft? - The Department of Veterans Affairs strongly recommends that veterans closely monitor their financial statements and visit the Department of Veterans Affairs special website on this, [www.firstgov](http://www.firstgov) or call 1-800-FED-INFO (1-800-333-4636).

4.-Should I reach out to my financial institutions or will the Department of Veterans Affairs do this for me?

The Department Veterans Affairs does not believe that it is necessary to contact financial institutions or cancel credit cards and bank accounts, unless you detect suspicious activity.

5.--Were should I report suspicious or unusual activity?

The Federal Trade Commission recommends the following four steps if you detect suspicious activity.

Step 1-Contact the Fraud Department of one of the three major credit bureaus: Equifax: 1-800-525-6285; [www.equifax.com](http://www.equifax.com); P.O. Box 740241, Atlanta, GA 30374-0241.

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61 Acres mostly wooded with live oaks, pond, one 5-acre field, excellent home site or recreation property, wildlife includes deer, turkey, hogs, dove, quail. \$1,195 per acre.  
61 Acres near Lake Cisco mostly wooded with live oak and post oak, two hills overlooking Lake Cisco with a canyon and creek in between the hills, wildlife includes deer, turkey, hogs, dove, quail, \$1,800 per acre.  
65 Acres mostly wooded with oak trees, elevation changes from hill top down to lower land, paved road frontage, wildlife includes deer, turkey, hogs, dove, quail, \$1,195 per acre.  
81 Acres mostly wooded with oaks & mesquite trees, one 4-acre field, two ponds, hills down to draws, large ranches around this property, lots of wildlife including deer, turkey, hogs, dove, quail, \$1,395 per acre.  
83 Acres 95% wooded with oak trees, excellent property for hunting or a home site, wildlife includes deer, turkey, hogs, dove, quail, \$1,195 per acre.  
93 Acres Stephens County, mostly wooded with live oak & mesquite trees, hills, water line, electricity, big views including turkey, hogs, dove, quail, \$1,195 per acre.  
112 Acres, wooded and cleared, very large canyon on property, hills, older mobile home with CHCA and older frame house, turkey, hogs, dove, duck, quail, \$145,600.  
116 Acres on large creek, wooded with oak trees, large field in the middle, good for cattle or hunting. Deer, turkey, hogs, dove, quail, \$196,490.  
151 Acres 75% open in fields with coastal and other grasses, 25% wooded with oak trees, 3 ponds, 6 water wells. Wildlife includes deer, turkey, dove, quail, \$196,490.  
151 Acres with house, mostly wooded with oaks and mesquite, several smaller fields, creeks, hills, 3 water wells, 3 ponds, 3 buildings. Deer, turkey, hogs, dove, duck, quail, \$220,183.  
160 Acres, mostly pecan orchard, approximately 80 acres of pecan trees, 60 acres of oak timber, 20 acres open grass land, on in the oak timber, water well, deer, turkey, hogs, dove, duck, quail, \$236,000.  
275 Acres mostly wooded with oak trees, hills, creek, 2 ponds, water well, very nice property, wildlife includes deer, turkey, hogs, dove, quail, \$328,625.  
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JR, 2 bath home with storm windows, double carport, workshop or storage building, large trees, \$27,500.  
3 BR, 1 3/4 bath home, large room, CH/A, double pane windows, enclosed back porch, metal siding, double garage, reduced to \$28,500.  
2 BR, 1 bath home with storm windows, large trees, 2 separate double carports, storage building and plenty of space to add more on these 4 lots. \$32,000.  
3 BR, 1 1/2 bath brick veneer home with CH, storm windows, covered patio, carport, RV parking, 2 storage bldgs., large pecan trees, reduced to \$32,000.  
3 BR, 1 1/2 bath home, CH, large deck off Master BR, carport, storage bldg., privacy fence, corner property, \$36,000.  
3 BR 2 bath home, CH/A, vinyl siding, inside recently remodeled, large trees, 6 ft chainlink fence, backyard, oversized double garage, \$48,500.  
3 BR, 1 3/4 bath brick veneer home with CH/A, builtin appliances, pantry, attached double garage, large trees, fenced backyard, 1 1/2 lots, \$55,000.  
Nice extra lots for kids or animals? Call about this 3 BR, 2 bath with CH/A on 24 lots, \$59,500.  
3 1-1, 1 3/4 bath home, brick veneer home, separate LR and den, storm windows, CH/A, attached 2 car garage, double carport, fenced backyard, \$62,500.  
3 BR, 2 bath home, recently built, CH/A, vinyl siding, carport, privacy fenced backyard, storage bldg., city water plus well, \$67,500.  
4 BR, 2 1/2 bath home with CH/A, woodburning fireplace, large living room, covered patio, carport, garage, and other extras, \$69,500.  
4BR, 2 bath, 2 story home with lots of character and space, separate DR, LR and den, 2 CH/CA units, vinyl siding, storm windows, jacuzzi, double carport plus single carport, workshop, many large oak trees on 1/2 of a city block. Also has mobile home hookups.  
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V maintained, 3 BR, 1 bath home with metal siding, covered patio, 2 storage bldgs., covered dock with boat lift, large trees, \$49,800.  
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Beautiful spacious 2 BR, 1 3/4 bath home, CH/A, woodburning fireplace, storage bldg., & many extras.  
Must See! Large 4 BR, 1 3/4 bath 2 story home, 2 CH/A units, fireplace, several extra closets, balcony off master BR, large oak trees, shop, 4 vehicle carport, covered boatdock with boat lift, septic recently replaced.  
Beautifully landscaped frontyard and backyard surrounds this large beautiful 2 story, 3 BR, 4 bath home with WBFP and 2 CH/A units. Large kitchen with many nice cabinets and builtins. Garage, boat dock, 2 decks, plant room, sprinkler system, many large oak trees and many extras.

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Longest Drive--Trey Hodgkins with Strawn Team: Dude Scrivner, Danny Miller, Jim Pollock



1st Place--Chris, Guy, Nick, Aubrey Kincaid

### Ms. K Scholarship Golf Scramble Results

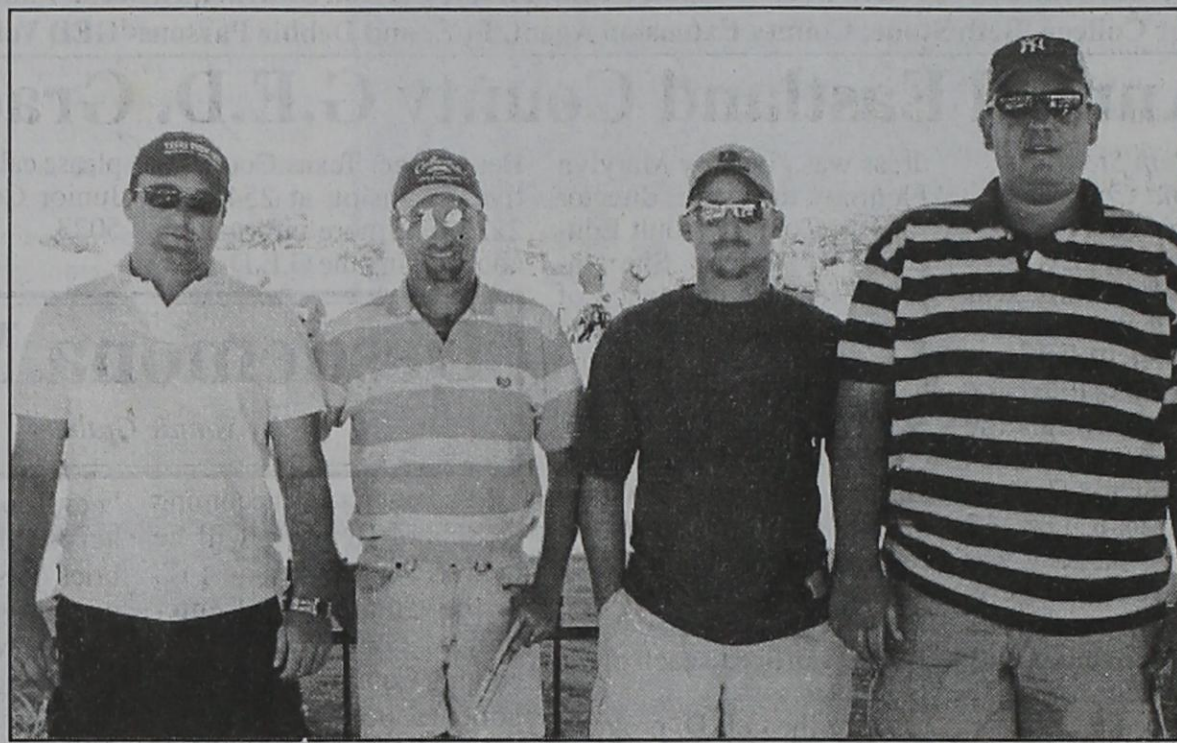
On Sunday, June 4, 2006, the first annual golf scramble was held at Lone Cedar Country Club to raise money for a scholarship named for Jane Kennedy who taught at Strawn ISD for 27 years before her untimely death in November, 2005. The scholarship is to help a student or students from Strawn ISD to go to college or a trade school and was organized by 2 of her former students.

Strawn, Eastland, Woodson and Abilene. It was a success in helping get things going. There was a tie at 10 under between the Eastland team, Brian Bird, Jason Cogburn, Robby Edwards and Philip Gosnell, and the Abilene team consisting of Chris, Nick, Guy and Aubrey Kincaid. After a playoff hole the Kincaid team was victorious, winning a Jack Nicklaus golf bag each. Trey Hodgkins had the longest

drive and Aubrey Kincaid was closest to the pin.

Thanks for all who came and played, those who donated to the fund without playing and all the help from Vic Ayson, Jessie Joynor, Carol Pollock and the staff Nancy Burrows and John Gill at Lone Cedar.

We will do this again next year so watch for information and come and play with us then. Thanks for your help and interest in making it a success this year.



2nd Place--Brian Bird, Robby Edwards, Philip Gosnell, Jason Cogburn



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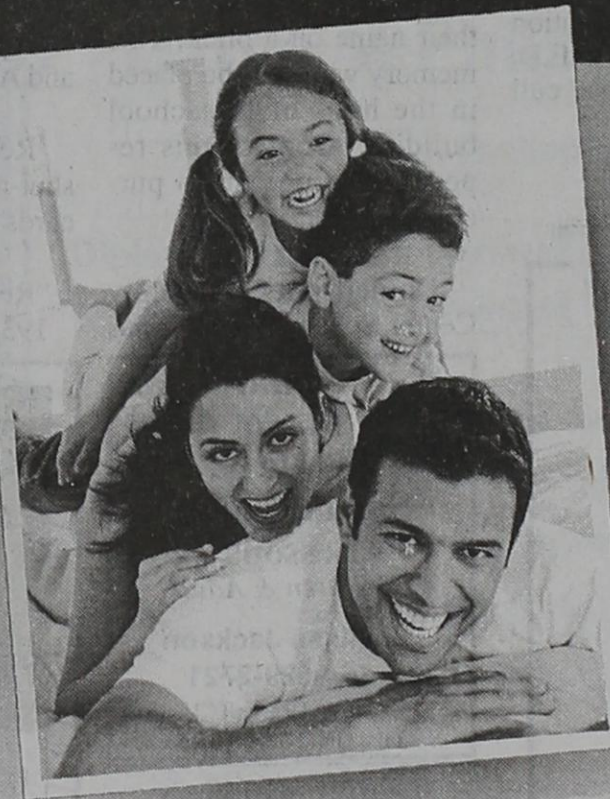
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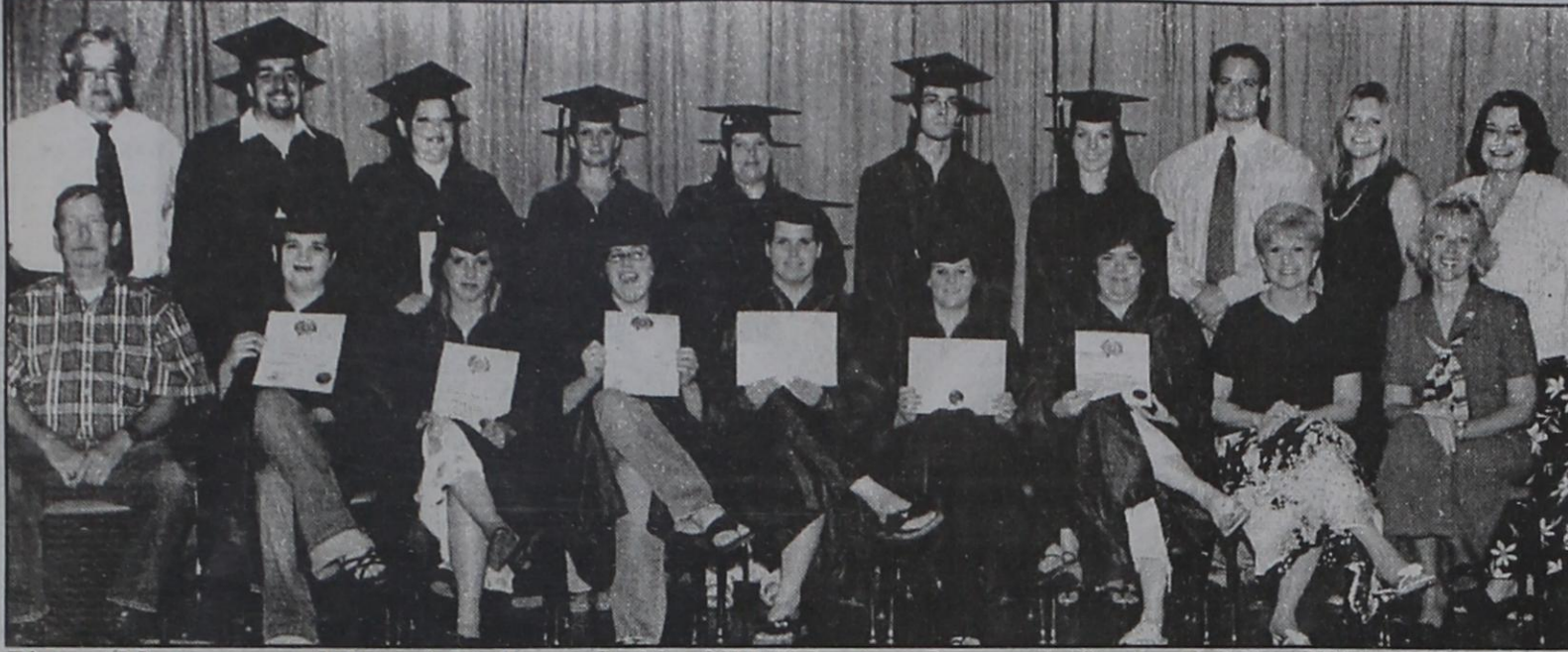
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## 5th Annual Eastland County G.E.D. Graduation

*By Beth Stone, Eastland County Extension Agent- FCS*  
The fifth annual G.E.D. graduation ceremony was held Tuesday night, May 23, 2006 at Siebert Elementary School cafeteria in Eastland. Adults going through the graduation ceremony passed their G.E.D. at Cisco Jr. College during the last 12 months. This ceremony was sponsored by Texas Cooperative Extension, Eastland County in conjunction with the Eastland County G.E.D. Task Force.

Program greetings were given by Merri Lynn Rideout, the Director of Big Country Adult Education in Abilene. The invocation was given by Mike Parsons, one of the lead volunteers for the G.E.D. study classes in Eastland. The First Baptist Church of Eastland and First Presbyterian Church of Cisco are host churches to G.E.D. Study Classes in Eastland County.

Beth Stone, County Extension Agent- Family and Consumer Sciences told the history of the Eastland County Study Classes and thanked volunteer tutors and agencies that helped make this opportunity available to adults in the area.

An inspirational and motivational commencement ad-

dress was given by Marylyn Flournoy, the former director for Big Country Adult Education in Abilene. She emphasized the importance of an education and provided examples of individuals who had come back to obtain their G.E.D. despite major difficulties in their lives. Link Harris, counselor at Cisco Junior College, then addressed the graduates. He presented certificates from State Representative Jim Keffer's office to each of the graduates.

Since the G.E.D. program was established in 1999, 453 students have come through out study classes, 62 have come through the classes within the past year, and 29 have taken and passed their G.E.D. within the past year.

The following adults participated in the graduation ceremony:

Jennifer Carrion, Brandi Elliot, Denna Finley, Kalani Hamilton, Elizabeth Johnson, Cody Littlejohn, Stacey McChesney, Rebecka Pantoja, Savannah Shepherd, Clayton Swarner, Misty Whittington, Rebekah Willis.

Congratulations go to all the graduates and best wishes for a bright and successful future. For more information about Summer or Fall G.E.D. Study sessions, please call

Beth Stone, Texas Cooperative Extension at 254/629-2222. For more information about taking the G.E.D. Test,

please call Link Harris, Cisco Junior College at 254/442-5023.

## Desdemona News

*By Vonnie Guthery*

Desdemona Homecoming & School Reunion will be held on Saturday, August 12, at the Community Center School Gym. The Homecoming Committee will meet soon to plan this annual event. A large crowd of Ex-students, teachers and friends attend this event each year. If you have a change of address--please contact this reporter at P.O. Box 187, Desdemona, Texas 76445. Your help will be appreciated.

"Memory Wall" of bricks is gaining in size. These bricks are being sold for \$25.00 each. Get your order in soon as possible so these memorial bricks can be placed in the wall before Homecoming day. Remember a loved one, a teacher, a classmate or a friend with their name on a brick. This memory wall will be placed in the hall of the school building. Contact this reporter if you wish to purchase a brick.

Desdemona Community Center School Building has

"new" complete windows all across the front, also the brick outside walls have been washed down and looks "great". More repair projects are being discussed at this time for the building.

Desdemona Community Center has another big project in progress. A beautiful colored "Throw" (twin bed size) with several pictures of our town on it. Pictures are Boom Days, Magnolia Ball Tanks, School House, Tabernacle etc. These nice throws make special gifts and a "keepsake" for those who receive one. Contact this reporter if you wish to purchase a throw.

Bernard and Ann Keith enjoyed a visit in Louisville, Kentucky with their son, Brad and Priscilla Keith and children, Brett, Jenna, Brian and Andrea.

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**Group Life Insurance: Is It Enough???**

Submitted by  
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Group life insurance, which in most situations is offered by your employer, provides coverage at a reasonable rate. While group life insurance can be a great deal, it might not provide enough protection. If your group life policy is the only life insurance you own, you could be open to financial disaster.

**The group advantage**  
In most cases, you purchase group life insurance through work. Your employer owns the policy, and the employees are the insureds. You can get group life either as an employee benefit (meaning you don't have to pay for it) or on a voluntary basis (meaning you open your own wallet).

If you receive the policy at no cost, the most common type of coverage is usually a full year's salary payable to your beneficiaries at your death. Some employers with limited budgets might offer smaller policies with face amounts of \$5,000, \$10,000, or \$20,000, depending on your position and seniority at the company. At the other end of the spectrum, larger companies with unions, such as auto manufacturers, might offer very generous death benefits that total two or three times a person's salary.

If your company offers group life on a voluntary basis, the coverage is generally more extensive. The size of your death benefit can vary, but can be several times your annual salary. Some larger employers offer group life plans with a maximum death benefit of \$1 million. There are also group life policies under which your spouse and children can get coverage.

Most group life plans are term policies that provide life insurance protection for as long as you work for the company. There are also some employers that offer whole life policies, so you can have permanent coverage after you retire or leave the company. Unlike some individual life insurance policies you could buy on your own, premium rates are rarely locked in. Premiums usually rise every five years because the risk of deaths among the group increases, as employees grow older.

**Group life on the cheap**  
Group life insurance tends to be inexpensive because the insurance company is calculating the overall risk of the group. The chance of everyone at a company dying simultaneously is so small that the cost of insuring a group is cheaper on a per person basis than insuring an individual.

The insurer also assumes that not all people at the company are going to work there until retirement, so the length of the insurance term is relatively short. A typical universal life group policy for a person in good health at a normal job would cost 5 cents for every \$1,000 worth of coverage per month. So for a \$100,000 policy, it would cost you \$5 per month, or \$70 per year.

**Poor health? No problem**

If your employer gives you group life insurance free of charge, you often don't need to undergo any medical examination. Most of these are guaranteed issue, meaning you will qualify for insurance regardless of your medical condition.

When you have the option of signing up for group life insurance through work, those policies usually require applicants to fill out a short questionnaire about health and lifestyle. If a severe health problem is found, insurers will likely require a medical exam, which includes giving blood and urine samples.

When setting a group life rate, an insurer figures in the ratio of females to males (females generally live longer, according to mortality tables), as well as how many smokers are in the group. It also takes into consideration the nature

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of the work at the company. A bank, for example, would likely have a cheaper group life rate than a construction company.

**Think supplement**  
If your employer offers group life, it can be a nice supplement to your existing life insurance if you have it. It's important not to count on group life as your main source of life insurance. Most group life policies, whether you pay for them or not, don't offer enough coverage for your beneficiaries. One or two years of salary, the level of coverage offered by many group insurance plans, would fail to provide complete financial protection when the key breadwinner in a family dies.

Perhaps the biggest drawback to group life is

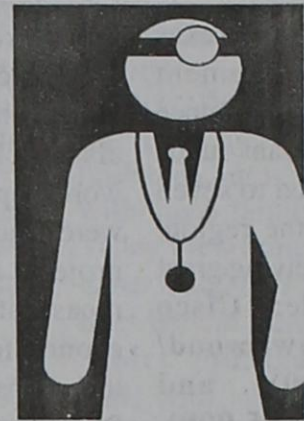
when you leave your job, you'll probably lose the coverage. Worse, when you leave your job, you might have trouble buying life insurance elsewhere if you've developed a severe health problem.

Some employers will let you continue your life insurance with the group after you leave the company or retire (if you want the option, it will likely cost you 10 to 25 percent more in premiums). Even so, there's a chance the employer will discontinue the insurance, or switch to an insurance plan that might not take you on.

The biggest downside to group life is that it's not always portable. If you're counting on group life as part of your risk management plan and you change jobs or your employer decides to not offer the insurance any more, you could be hurting.

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West Central Texas Workforce Development Board is pleased to announce \$5,000 in grant funds are awarded to seven communities in the region. Communities receiving grant include: Cisco (\$1,000), Brownwood (\$1,000), and Abilene (\$5,000). Projects ranged from downtown revitalization efforts to hosting an event planning workshop to construction of a facility to address child care needs in the community. According to Mary Ross, Executive Director for the Workforce Board, "The community teams did an excellent job of developing innovative solutions to very specific challenges they face. We are pleased to be able to assist them, and we look forward to their continued progress."

The West Central Texas Workforce Development Board is one of 28 boards in the state charged with oversight and policy-making responsibility for workforce and training programs in a nineteen county region. Funding for the community development grants was made available by the Board for economic development efforts. Additional funding had been allocated for three board leadership workshops to be held in Coleman, Cisco, and Snyder on June 27-29. The board leadership workshops will be targeted to volunteer board members of chambers of commerce, economic development corporations, hospital boards, school boards, city councils, commissioners courts, and non-profit boards. Additional information on the Board's economic development efforts or services for business customers may be obtained by calling the Workforce Board at (325) 795-4200 or by visiting the website at [www.workforcesystem.org](http://www.workforcesystem.org).

Mr. Floyd is the author of a book on volunteer leadership, entitled "The Courage to Lead: An Essential Guide For Volunteer Leaders, Board Trustees, and Public Servants". All workshop attendees will receive a free copy of Mr. Floyd's book, as well as other resource materials. In order to plan for lunch and conference materials for all attendees, interested individuals should contact Karen Spaar at (325) 795-4303 for reservations. Space is limited at all three locations, and reservations must be made by Friday, June 23rd.

## Workforce Board To Host Board Leadership Workshop

Volunteer board leaders are important catalysts for economic prosperity in rural communities. In order to bring ongoing leadership for our communities, the West Central Texas Workforce Development Board (TEDC) are offering a board leadership workshop entitled "Strengthening the Board of Directors" offered as a result of training from local community leadership training. The workshop has been held several times by larger cities around the area for fee-paying participants. To further support economic growth and vitality of the region, the Workforce Board is bringing high-quality work to three locations in the area and underwriting the cost of community leaders to conveniently access the workshop at no charge. Work dates are: 27--Coleman--Billings Center, South Comal Avenue (at the rodeo arena). A barbeque lunch catered at a cost of \$5.00 per person.

Facilitators for the workshop will be Barry Silverberg, Director of the Center for Community-Based and Nonprofit organizations at Austin Community College, and Robert Floyd, professional lobbyist and trade association executive.

Workshops will conclude at 5 p.m. Target audiences are volunteer board members of chambers of commerce, economic development corporations, hospitals, school boards, city councils, commissioners courts, and non-profit organizations. Among topics to be covered will be: effective financial stewardship, and board/staff relationships. For registration information regarding the

## Daily Devotion

By Wanda Lee Beck Skinner

Are You Brokenhearted and Wounded?

Psalm 17:3-4 "He healeth the broken in heart, and bindeth up their wounds. He telleth the number of the stars; He calleth them all by their names."

The next time you wake up at night, go outside and look up into the sky at the numerous stars and think of this. He calls each one by name. Go to a big bustling town and look at all the people and remember God knows each one by name. This should give you a new understanding of God and how much power He has. Many things in life you may not understand but you can know the one who can help us through

the times when our heart is breaking and you are wounded. He will be there for you but remember He is also there in the good times. Face this day with these wonderful and comforting verses. He does know your name. Do you know Him?

## Food Pantry Open Sat.

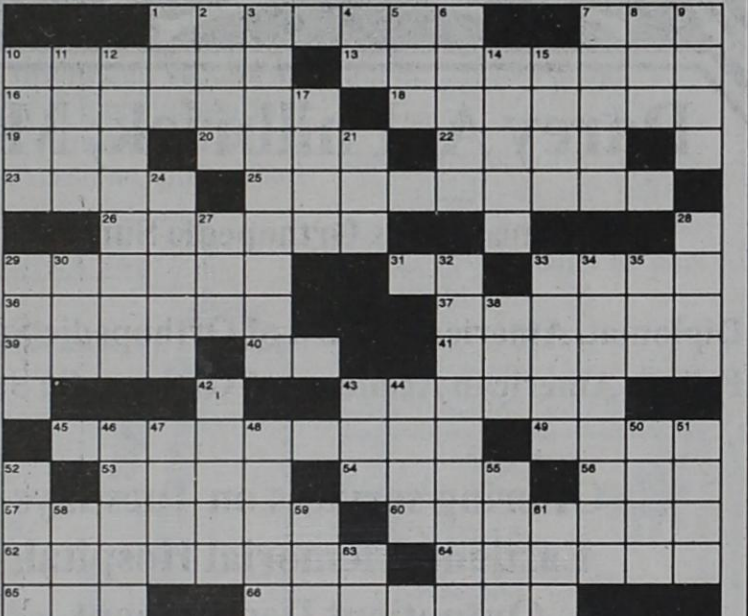
The pantry will be open June 17th from 9:00 - 11:00am. Applicants must come themselves with identification. A short form will be filled out. Our goal is to help families that are temporarily in need of assistance. The food pantry is located in the south building at River of Life Church, 103 Pogue Ave, in Eastland.

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- Across
1. Attracted.
  7. Large European scaraboid beetle.
  10. Long-haired breed of cat similar to a Persian.
  13. Past due.
  16. Slang for "wonderful."
  18. Came out of hiding.
  19. Rather than.
  20. Number of members on a basketball team.
  22. In this way.
  23. Shaped mass of baked bread.
  25. Sucrose obtained from sugar cane.
  26. Town in Massachusetts.
  29. Keyed instrument resembling a harpsichord.
  31. Heraldic color for gold or yellow.
  33. Rhythmic expression of feelings.
  36. Honorary title for a wise man in India.
  37. Make possible.
  39. Acronym for Electronic Route Guidance System.
  40. Currently fashionable.
  41. Dignified and somber in manner.
  43. Caused distress to someone.
  45. Hit song by the Supremes.
  49. Probability that an event will occur.
  53. Be in charge of.
  54. Plural of "go."
  56. Small hole in a needle.
  57. Waitress or a waiter.
  60. Make more attractive.
  62. Chronic sleeplessness.
  64. Written challenge to a duel.
  65. Stupid person.
  66. Most distant in any direction.
- Down
1. Total a sum.
  2. Gray, Colonel Wilma Deering on TV's Buck Rogers.
  3. Large pasta tubes.
  4. Used for expressing limit of movement.
  5. Goldberg, Toronto-based folk performer.
  6. Fellow-laborer of Paul during his first imprisonment in Rome.
  7. 1999 film starring Ben Affleck.
  8. Smallest whole number.
  9. Put in order.
  10. Morten, Norwegian singer.
  11. Improvisational style instrumental trio.
  12. Bright with steady but subdued shining.
  14. Variety show with topical sketches, songs, dancing and comedians.
  15. Something that is extremely boring.
  17. Growl.
  21. Final section.
  24. Comes upon, as if by accident.
  27. Garland of flowers worn around the neck.
  28. Primeval Egyptian personification of air and breath.
  29. Past tense of speed.
  30. Standard number of strokes set for each hole on a golf course.
  32. Place where one makes their home.
  33. Of a lower intensity in color.
  34. Willing to obey.
  35. Common name for the Ulmaceae.
  38. Not.
  42. Equip with better weapons.
  43. Domestic swine.
  44. Plant used to treat burns and dry skin.
  46. Writer of an ode.
  47. Vote that blocks a decision.
  48. Exact duplicate.
  50. Groom.
  51. Walk as if unable to control one's movement.
  52. Large, hurried swallow.
  55. Anything not genuine.
  58. Black tropical American cuckoo.
  59. Cancel.
  61. Unit of metric land measure.
  63. Used to indicate location.

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Edith Prutsman

## Adventurous Beekeeper Turning 102 This Year

By Gary Grady  
"Wisdom is not a product of schooling but of the lifelong attempt to acquire it" Albert Einstein

Many of us question the passing of time and even wonder what can come of our

lives. Let me introduce you to a remarkable woman who will be turning 102 this year. Mrs. Edith Prutsman is a resident at Valley View Nursing Home in Eastland and holds a tremendously interesting story of her life.

Mrs. Prutsman was born in Salem, Ohio, December 8, 1904. Growing up she was very acquainted with the dairy life, working on a farm and tending to cows and goats. Mrs. Prutsman's father produced ribbon cane syrup and also worked for Henry Ford as a metal smith making headlights for Ford's first Model T's.

The family moved to Texas when she was a child and also graduated schooling through the 12th grade. Mrs. Prutsman was about 19 when she got married to her first husband 'Artie'. Her children are Lucille "Elizabeth", Jeanette, & Cliff and she has 18 grandchildren.

Mrs. Prutsman has a very lively personality and loves to sing. When commenting on her own personality she said "I used to be a Firecracker!" Her Daughter, Jeanette Evans, then stated laughingly "You never know when she was going to go off

either."

After Mrs. Prutsman was grown she started a poultry business where she bought, sold and raised chickens. Later became an interior decorator during the war. Mrs. Prutsman had become quite an entrepreneur also doing work with painting, paper hanging & rental property.

Also spending some time living in Colorado Mrs. Prutsman with her husband ran a hunting and fishing lodge that was also known for elk and deer hunting.

But after moving back to Texas Mrs. Prutsman finally found her niche in life by going into the business of bees. While starting out in a great run Mrs. Prutsman had about around 70 hives. She learned all the ends and out to harvesting bees for honey. While honey has many health benefits; the job itself takes extreme dedication and endurance 'you can't be

afraid of being stung'.

Mrs. Prutsman once found a hive at the top of a high tree and she said "I believe I can shoot that down from there" and cleanly shot down the branch and hive without a sting.

She continued being a bee keeper through her 80s & after moving to Hobbs, New Mexico she had around 10 hives. But due a hip break Mrs. Prutsman was slowed down but was still considered to be a bee consultant.

Mrs. Prutsman has also enjoyed several hobbies through her life. She was an excellent hunter and a crackshot... she would pick her prey and shoot it without messing up any of the meat. Accompanying Mrs. Prutsman's spirited personality was her gun of choice... a 30 ought 6 (30-'06) which she used for many years. When talking about it a gun she threw her hands

up in excitement and said proudly "That's a Man's Gun".

Among hunting, fishing & gardening, Mrs. Prutsman developed the hobby of quilting and has made over a 100 quilts for friends and family.

Mrs. Prutsman in her lifetime has outlived 4 husbands but is still blessed with close family. Being at Valley View brings her closer to her daughter Jeanette who lives here in Eastland.

Mrs. Prutsman fills the halls with joy with singing and conversation, and has been known to treat others to some wonderful piano playing, which she learned by ear.

And lasting advise on life from Mrs. Edith Prutsman "You never know one day from the next... don't predict it."

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507 W. 7th, Cisco - renovation started, needs finishing, 3 BR, 2 bath, 2 carports, storage shed, 2 lots. \$25,000.  
28.177 ac; old building, access to electricity and water; one stock tank, no minerals on Hwy. 6 N. of Cisco to right of Country Club Rd., sign on property, \$70,442 firm. 4 lots w/2 buildings 1000 Block of W. 8th, Cisco. Gas tanks gone. \$24,000.

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# Obituaries

## Arnold Colcleasure, Jr.

Arnold Edgar Colcleasure, Jr. of Longmont, CO, died May 24th, 2006 at his home. He was 62.

He was born February 4, 1944 in Baird, Texas to Arnold Edgar and Betty Ann (Bounds) Colcleasure. He moved to Longmont as a young boy.

He graduated from Longmont High School in 1962. He then attended Colorado School of Mines. He served in the U.S. Army from 1957 to 1972 serving in Vietnam and was honorably discharged as Captain. He returned to Colorado after his military service. He then moved to California in 1973 and returned to Longmont in 1994. Mr. Colcleasure was in sales and management for Monarch Marketing in California and then a U.S. Postal Service letter in Longmont, retiring in 2005.

He was a member of First United Methodist Church, Longs Peak Post 2601, Veterans of Foreign Wars, John Harold Post 2, American Legion and the Disabled American Veterans. He enjoyed

fishing, computers and traveling. He was an avid Broncos fan, an avid reader, and was fluent in German.

He is survived by a brother, Eric Bounds Colcleasure and his wife Tammy of Longmont, a sister, Arliss Ann Zerbe and her husband William of Gas City, Indiana; a nephew Clay Zerbe of Hartford City, Indiana; and a niece, Jennifer French of Bluffton, Indiana.

A memorial service was at Ahlberg Funeral Chapel, with the Rev. Dr. G. Bruce Maxwell officiating. The body was cremated. Interment followed services with military honors provided by Longs Peak Post 2601, Veterans of Foreign Wars, at Foothills Gardens of memory. Memorial contributions may be made to Longs Peak Post 2601 Veterans of Foreign Wars, or to the Disabled American Veterans, and sent to Ahlberg Funeral Home Chapel, 326 Terry Street, Longmont, CO 80501.

## Fred Myron Turnipseed

CLYDE-Fred Myron Turnipseed, 65 of Dallas, died Sunday, June 4, 2006 at his residence.

Services were at 1:00 p.m. Thursday at the Bailey Funeral Chapel with Dr. Micahel Oden of Duncanville officiating. Burial was to follow in the Clyde Cemetery under the direction of Bailey Funeral Home.

Fred was born November 12, 1940 in Ethyl, Mississippi to A.M. and Catherine (Graham) Turnipseed. He graduated from Rosco High School in 1957. He served in the United States Navy Seabees. He married Ella Greer Worthington in Abilene on June 7, 1974.

They moved to Dallas from Baxter Springs, KS in 1995. He was a retired truck driver, retiring from Yellow Freight after 28 years of service.

Survivors include his wife, Ella of Dallas; four sons, Monty Worthington and wife Beth of Kerrville, Kerry Worthington and wife Shanna of Imperial; Larry Turnipseed and wife Patty of Diamond MO and Joel Turnipseed and wife Amy of Fort Worth; his mother, Catherine Turnipseed of Clyde; one sister, Dorothy Jo Cannon of Amarillo, five grandchildren and three great grandchildren.

Visitation was from 7 to 8:00 p.m. Wednesday at the funeral home.

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order is a Class C. Misdemeanor.

b. This order may be enforced by any duly commissioned peace officer in Callahan County.

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## Tarleton Coeds Win National Basketball Crown at National ACIS Basketball Tournament in Anaheim

STEPHENVILLE, TX- The division of Recreational Sports of Tarleton State University has another national trophy for its showcase. A team of nine women from Tarleton competed in the 2006 National ACIS Basketball Tournament in Anaheim, California and brought the national title back home to Stephenville.

The women defeated Tidewater Community of Virginia 46-43 in the championship round to claim the tournament championship. They downed the University of Wisconsin-LaCrosse 43-40 in the semi-finals.

Tarleton earned their bid to the national competition by winning the 2006 A.C.I.S. Regional tournament held on the campus of Texas Christian University in April. They defeated a team from Oklahoma State University 45-34 in the regional finals.

At the National Tournament, Tarleton's Kaci Fulton of Rosebud was named as Most Valuable Players and

teammate Savannah Sleeper of Hamilton was named to the All Tournament team.

Other members of the national championship intercollegiate team include Christabell Mariner of Pago Pago, Michelle Martin of Amarillo, Amy Rice of Plainview, Ashley Rodriguez of Baird, Kristen Stowe of Stephenville, Afton Stowers of Stephenville and Laci Townsend of Hico.

The tournament will be broadcast on C.S.T.V. (Dish Network channel 152 and Direct TV channel 610) beginning June 10. A listing of dates and times is available on the Recreational Sports link at "www.tarleton.edu."

### Activities for 6th-12th Graders-Baird Methodist Church

Baird First United Methodist Church is seeking youth, grades six through 12, who are interested in growing in Christ while having a great time this summer. There will be Bible Study, Worship, and plenty of opportunities for fun and fellowship. The highlight of these summer activities will be a Discipleship Now weekend and a trip to Six Flags Over Texas.

For more information or to sign up, please call the church at 854-1080, Catherine Brock at 854-2053, or Brenda Lewis at 854-5994. Better yet, come join us on Sunday mornings at 9:45 a.m. for Bible Study and worship at 10:45 a.m. Everyone is also invited to join in the special activities on Sunday evenings at 6:00 p.m. and Wednesday evenings from 7:00 to 8:00 p.m. Hope to see you there!!!

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Primary Texas counties in the Big Country include: Brown, Callahan, Coleman, Fisher, Haskell, Jones, Nolan, Shackelford, Taylor and Throckmorton.

Small businesses may qualify for economic Injury Disaster Loans (E.I.D.L.'s) of up to \$1.5 million to help meet financial obligations and operating expenses which could have been met had the disaster not occurred. "Eligibility for these working capital loans is based on the financial impact of the disaster only and not on any actual property damage. These loans have an interest rate of 5%, a maximum term of 30 years, and are restricted to small businesses without the financial ability to offset the adverse impact without hardship," Judd said.

By law, S.B.A. makes E.I.D.L.'s available when the U.S. Secretary of Agriculture designates an agricultural disaster. Secretary Mike Johanns declared this disaster at the request of Governor Rick Perry.

Businesses primarily engaged in farming or ranching are ineligible for SBA disaster assistance. Agricultural enterprises should contact the Farm Service Agency (FSA) about the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) assistance made available by the Secretary's declaration. However in drought disasters nurseries are eligible for SBA Disaster Assistance.

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this instance the Fire Chief will have the authority to set the conditions, restrictions, and/or precautions which

must be observed. Ordered by the Callahan County Judge on this the 13th day of June 2006, and executed on the same date.

## Farm Service Emergency Loan Applications Being Accepted For Drought Relief

Callahan County was declared eligible for Farm Service

Agency (F.S.A.) disaster emergency loans on April 20, 2006. Generally that means that farmers who have lost at least 30 percent of their production due to drought on January 1, 2006 and continuing, are eligible for F.S.A. loans. Proceeds from crop insurance are taken into consideration when determining eligibility.

F.S.A. Farm Loan Manager, Richard G. Young, is urging farmers who are interested in receiving an emergency loan to submit their application into F.S.A. as soon as possible. Richard G. Young said, "We hope farmers will get their applications in early rather than waiting until near the deadline,

which is December 20, 2006, for severe physical losses only. The longer they wait, the more chance there is for long delays. If the applications come in early, we can avoid backlogs and speed up the process." Richard Young said.

Eligibility is extended to individual farmers who meet U.S. citizen requirements and to farming partnerships, corporations or cooperatives in which U.S. citizenship requirements are met by holding a majority interest.

The FSA office in Anson is open from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday - Friday.

The FSA office is at 2303 Commercial in Anson, TX. The telephone number is (325) 823-3269.

## 2006 Coleman PRCA Rodeo To Be Held Next Week

Coleman's 69th Annual PRCA Rodeo will be held Thursday, June 15th; Friday, June 16th and Saturday, June 17th. The performances will begin nightly at 8: p.m.

The Coleman Rodeo Association along with the Coleman Youth Activity Center owns 33 acres of land that adjoins the city limits of Coleman on the south side. This land and facilities are used for the Rodeo, Livestock Show, and other related events. This is one of the finest outdoor facilities in the Southwest. It seats 6,000 people and has free parking adjoining the dust-free arena. The Coleman Rodeo is strictly professional and always has been. This means that the Professional Rodeo Cowboys Association and the Women's Professional Rodeo Association approve it. This insures that some of the top cowboys and cowgirls in the nation will be competing in the Coleman Rodeo for \$20,000 added prize money. Over 500 contestants are expected this year!

The queen for the 2006 Rodeo is Lauren Evans, daughter of Steve and Kay Lynn Evans.

Stace Smith Pro Rodeos from Athens, Texas

The rodeo events this year are; Bareback and Saddle Bronc Riding, Calf Roping, Steer Wrestling, Women's Barrel Race, Women's Breakaway Roping, Bull Riding, Single Steer Roping, Team Roping and Wild Milking Contest.

This year we will hold Kids Muttin Bustin, which will start the Rodeo at 7:15 p.m. along with the Goat Scramble, which will be later in the Rodeo.

The Rodeo Dance will be held at the Rodeo Dance Pavilion on Friday and Saturday nights starting when the rodeo ends. The music will be provided by Kevin Fowler on Friday night at 10:00 p.m. Pauline Reese will provide the music on Saturday night at 10:00 p.m.

## Notice

### NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS OF PROPOSED TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (TxDOT) CONTRACTS

Sealed proposals for contracts listed below will be received by TxDOT until the date(s) shown below, and then publicly read.

#### CONSTRUCTION/ MAINTENANCE/ BUILDING FACILITIES CONTRACT(S)

Dist./Div: Abilene

Contract 0908-00-062 for RAISED AND THERMOPLASTIC PAVEMENT MARKINGS in TAYLOR County, etc will be opened on July 06, 2006 at 1:00 pm at the State Office.

Plans and specifications are available for inspection, along with bidding proposals, and applications for the TxDOT Prequalified Contractor's list, at the applicable State and/or Dist/Div Offices listed below. If applicable, bidders must submit prequalification information to TxDOT at least 10 days prior to the bid date to be eligible to bid on a project. Prequalification materials may be requested from the State Office listed below. Plans for the above contract(s) are available from TxDOT's website at www.dot.state.tx.us and from reproduction companies at the expense of the contractor.

NPO: 20414

State Office

Constr./Maint. Division  
200 E. Riverside Dr.  
Austin, Texas 78704  
Phone: 512-416-2540

Dist/Div Office(s)

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