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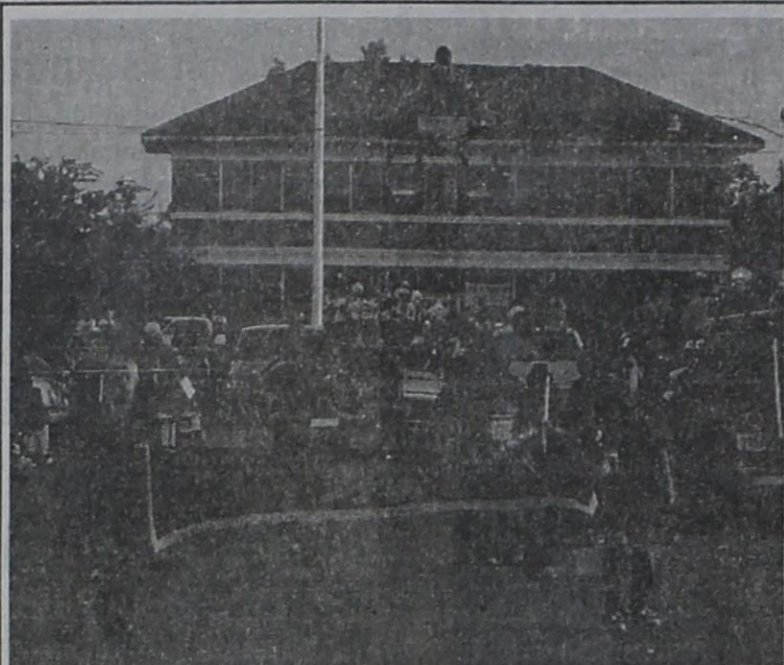
## First United Methodist Honors New Members

First United Methodist Church of Baird will honor their new members with a luncheon following the worship service on Sunday, September 19, 2004.

Everyone is invited to attend and to dress casual. This Sunday has been designated "T-shirt" Sunday.

The luncheon will be hosted by the United Methodist Women and will be held in the fellowship hall of the First Methodist Church of Baird.

Please plan to attend and bring a friend.



People lined the streets of Downtown Baird on Saturday to see the 2004 Homecoming Parade. Above are a few scenes from this great event. *staff photos*



## Western Trail Drive Comes To Big Country

Sept. 18 - Coleman rodeo grounds

Sept. 21 - Baird rodeo grounds

Sept. 22-23 - Albany, Fandangle grounds

Sept. 24 - Fort Griffin State Park

### Baird Activities

- Riders arrive on afternoon of Sept. 21 and follow parade route through downtown Baird

- Official welcome and dinner at Rodeo Arena

- Overnight Campsite at Rodeo grounds



Jay Calvo (L) and Jodi Neal (R), shown here during the Homecoming Parade, are the 2004 Homecoming King and Queen. *staff photo*

## Callahan County Maintenance Working To Preserve Transportation System

Abilene, TX - Annual maintenance costs for the state highway system now exceed the money the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) receives annually from the 20-cent a-gallon state gas tax.

State and federal gas taxes, which currently finance most highway improvements, are yielding less and less revenue because the taxes are not tied to inflation, and today's cars use less gasoline per mile. Due to the state receiving less revenue,

Russel Lenz, Abilene District Engineer, says the department must look for ways to stretch its transportation dollars.

"One way we have been able to stretch our dollars," Lenz said, "is by relying heavily on our experienced maintenance employees throughout the Abilene District. Additionally, TxDOT supervisor's, like Rudy Rodriguez here in Callahan County, do an outstanding job of identifying, scheduling and performing roadway maintenance needs."

The maintenance crews in Callahan County have many responsibilities. "For example, in addition to maintaining the roadways them-

selves by doing such things as filling potholes, repairing cracked pavement, ditch work, delineation and signing," Rodriguez said, "our crews are also responsible for the inspection of jobs being performed by contract maintenance personnel. Some of these contracted jobs include mowing, litter pick up, guard rail repair, maintaining picnic areas, and other roadway maintenance contracts."

During Fiscal Year 2003, TxDOT spent \$1,446,955.59 on labor, equipment and materials in Callahan County on work performed by TxDOT employees to maintain the transportation system. In addition, \$1,311,613.84 was spent on contracted maintenance activities administered by TxDOT personnel.

"We're perceived as a big road-building machine," says Mike Behrens, executive director, "but the reality is that we spend more resources on making sure the roads, bridges and rest areas that we already have are kept in the best possible shape for the traveling public."

TxDOT spends close to half, or \$2.2 billion, of its total budget on maintenance, compared to one-third of its monies for highway construction. Also, almost half of TxDOT's employees are directly involved in main-

## Commissioners Adopt Budget; Set Sheriff, Constable Fees

Callahan County Commissioners adopted both the 2004-2005 Callahan County Budget and proposed 2004-2005 Tax Rate at a September 3, 2004 Open Meeting.

The Budget totaled \$3,628,393.75; a total of the General Fund - \$2,597,452.72 and the Road & Bridge Fund - \$1,030,941.03. The General Fund showed a surplus of \$217.30.

The motion to adopt the proposed budget for 2004-2005 was made by Commissioner Farmer, and seconded by Commissioner Holland. The motion carried 5-0.

Also on the agenda was to discuss/approve a proposal to settle a lawsuit on property in the old Belle Plain town site, and discuss/approve a Citizens EMS subsidy increase request.

Attorney Andrew Ladyman discussed the two tracts in Belle Plain, for which he was hired to obtain a clear title for land owner Rauche. He explained that the lots had been abandoned for 60-70 years, and that a declaratory judgment in the District Court, as well as a deed for the portion of the land not in the road from the County to Rauche was needed. A motion to deed the lots owned by the County to owner Rauche and to proceed in District Court with a declaratory judgment was made by Commissioner Grider. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Farmer and carried unanimously.

No action was taken regarding the request brought to the Court by Jim Hall and Margo Stafford for a \$250.00 increase a month from the County to the Citizens EMS.

An increase in the cost of fuel and insurance, as well as repair bills prompted the request. The Court expressed that they would like to look at Citizens EMS financial records before making a decision.

Also on the agenda: The

minutes of two meetings on August 23, 2004 were approved as presented, and approved bills were paid.

There were no public comments.

All commissioners were present, as well as Presiding Judge Roger Corn, Dianne Alexander, County Treasurer, and Jeanie Bohannon, County Clerk.

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Callahan County Commissioners deliberated and considered action on several items at their Open Meeting of September 13, 2004.

These included the setting of Sheriff and Constable Fees, bids for Sheriff's Department vehicles, relocating the Callahan County Rural 911 Addressing Office, and approving a computer update for Precinct #3 from the Technology Fund.

Constable Bill Young presented the Court with a copy of fees charged for services by the Sheriff's and Constable's office in Taylor County, and several other surrounding counties.

After a discussion of the fees, Commissioner Hicks made a motion that Callahan County stay in line with Taylor County on all fees. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Farmer, and carried unanimously.

The fees remain in effect until further orders of the Court.

(Please see list of fees inside)

A bid for two Chevrolet vehicles for the Callahan County Sheriff's Office was accepted unanimously by the Court. The bid, inclusive two Chevrolet Colorado pickups, was for \$31,500.00 after trade-in differences. Commissioner Holland made the motion to accept the bid. Commissioner Farmer seconded the motion.

Rhonda Vestal, 911 Coordinator for Callahan County, discussed the relocating of  
*Continued Inside ....  
See Commissioners*

## Renowned Collectors To Speak At The Grace

Abilene, TX - The wide range of contemporary Texas art styles and techniques exhibited in the Barrett Collection at The Grace Museum will be the focus of a Gallery Talk September 16.

Nona and Richard Barrett, of Dallas, will speak at The Grace Museum starting at 7 p.m. and will share their art collecting knowledge and discuss the pieces from their collection that now make up a part of The Grace's permanent collection.

Also joining the Barretts will be four of the artists represented in the collection at The Grace: David Baker, Larry Braeber, Bill Haveron and Michael Whitehead.

The Barretts have traveled and collected art from all over the world; however they decided to focus a major part of their collecting on early and contemporary Texas art. When they discovered that Texas has the third highest number of artists of any state in the nation, they realized why they were seeing such quality, as well as quantity, of work. Their conviction and passion have resulted in the strongest collection of its kind in Texas.

In 1999 and 2000 the Barretts presented the Museum of Fine Arts, Houston with an extraordinary gift of almost 250 works of art by Texas artists. Thirty-nine of those works were added to the MFA Houston's permanent collection, and the remaining works were gifted to thirteen Texas museums, including The Grace Museum, through an unprecedented Collection Sharing Initiative.

Now on exhibit at The Grace are 14 works received from MFA Houston, showcasing the talents of Texas artists. Selections from the Barrett Collection of Texas Art of the MFA Houston will be on display through Oct. 30, 2004.

## Baird Elementary Student Of The Week



Tori Strickland-Mrs. Tollett's Kindergarten Daughter of Mike and Marilu Strickland

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Please See Maintenance*



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**Baird I. S. D. Lunch Menu**

- Wednesday, Sept. 15  
Roast Beef/w Rice, Green Beans, Carrots, Applesauce, Rolls, Milk
- Thursday, Sept. 16  
Taco, Tossed Salad, Refried Beans, Cobbler, Milk
- Friday, Sept. 17  
Bear Burgers, Lettuce, Tomatoes, Pickles, French Fries, Cookies, Milk
- Monday, Sept. 20  
Sloppy Joes, Tator Tots, Fruit, Brownies, Milk
- Tuesday, Sept. 21  
Baked Ham, Potatoes Au-Gratin, Black-eyed Peas, Corn Bread, Fruit, Milk
- Wednesday, Sept. 22  
Pop-up Pizza Sandwiches, Tossed Salad, Corn, Apple Crisp, Milk
- Thursday, Sept. 23  
Frito Pie, Tossed Salad, Pinto Beans, Cobbler, Milk
- Friday, Sept. 24  
Bear Dogs, French Fries, Cole Slaw, Rice Krispies, Milk
- Monday, Sept. 27  
Pizza, Tossed Salad, Corn on the Cob, Muffins, Milk
- Tuesday, Sept. 28  
Oven Roasted Chicken, Bake Potatoes, Tossed Salad, Bread, Chocolate Ice Box Pie, Milk
- Wednesday, Sept. 29  
Soft Taco, Lettuce, Tomatoes, Spanish Rice, Cake, Milk
- Thursday, Sept. 30  
Pigs-N-Blanket, Oven Potatoes, Green Peas, Fruit, Milk
- Friday, Oct. 1  
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100 acres with 2001 32 ft. travel trailer with slide out, 16x20 enclosed building, fourwheeler, the property is thickly wooded with liveoak & mesquite trees, several ponds, excellent hunting, deer, turkey, quail, dove, \$125,000.

155 acres, 100 acres of live oaks & mesquite trees, 55 acres of fields, sunflowers, 3 ponds, hills, canyons, barns, 1 room cabin, waterline, deer, turkey, hogs, dove, duck, quail, \$123,225.

160 acres wooded with live oak trees, water well, deer, turkey, quail, co-op water nearby, \$75 per acre.

177 acres by Lake Cisco, over a mile of road frontage within 200 yards of Lake Cisco shoreline, mostly wooded with oak trees, very large hills overlooking Lake Cisco, canyons, pond, deer, hogs, turkey, dove, duck, quail, \$212,400.

306 acres, wooded with 35 acres of live oak trees, live oak & mesquite timber, older rock house, ponds, deer, turkey, quail, dove, \$125,000.

310 acres, wooded with live oak trees, water well, deer, turkey, quail, co-op water nearby, \$75 per acre.

320 acres, 110 acres of fields and 210 acres wooded with mostly mesquite and some live oak timber, 2 ponds, creek, water well, deer, turkey, quail, rolling hills, deer, turkey, hogs, duck, dove and quail, \$575 per acre.

325 acres by Lake Cisco, over three miles of road frontage within 200 yards of Lake Cisco shoreline, mostly wooded with oak trees, very large hills overlooking Lake Cisco, canyons, 2 ponds, will divide, deer, hogs, turkey, dove, duck, quail, \$391,200.

616 acres, mostly wooded with oak and mesquite timber, field, several ponds, hills, creek, excellent hunting - deer, turkey, hogs, turkey, quail, dove, \$175 per acre.

850 acres some high game fenced, mostly wooded, oak timber, waterline, large hills, creek bottoms, 4 fields, 6+ ponds, several ponds, deer, turkey, quail, \$15 per acre.

3 BR, 2 bath, large rooms, CH/A, fireplace, carport, storage bldg., nice shaded yard, large trees, co-op water and water well on approx. 2 acres. Reduced to \$40,000.

66 acres with 3 BR home ready to be completed by new buyer, overlooks Lake Cisco, mostly wooded, two ponds, creeks, \$125,000.

13.75 acres with nice 3 BR, 2 bath home, CH/A, fireplace, LR, kitchen recently remodeled, double carport, water well, pond, storage bldg., hookups for RV or mobile home.

5 acres with recently built 3 BR, 2 bath home, large rooms, many pretty cabinets in kitchen, living room, den and utility room, \$125,000.

2 BR, 1 bath home, carport, attached storage, \$12,500.

2 BR, 1 bath, carport with storage, \$12,500.

3 BR, 1 bath home, large rooms, separate DR, storage bldg., corner property, \$17,500.

2 BR, 1 3/4 bath newer Clayton Sonoma, CH/A, storage bldg, fenced lot, \$18,500.

2 BR, 1 bath home, CH/A, mostly wood floors, garage, fenced backyard, corner property, \$23,000.

2 BR 1 bath frame, recently remodeled, extra cabinets in dining area, CH/A, deck, garage, fenced backyard, reduced to \$27,000.

2 BR, 1 bath home, large rooms, nice view of lake with many cabinets, CH/A, carport, storage bldg, fenced backyard, \$30,000.

4 BR, 2 bath, lg. rooms, lots of character, separate DR, fenced yard, lg. corner property, \$39,500.

3 BR, 1 3/4 bath, mostly brick home, CH/A, fireplace, patio, storage bldg., fenced backyard, \$39,500.

3 BR, 2 baths, many nice cabinets, separate DR, CH/A, approx. 1440 sq. ft., large metal bldg., 12 fenced lots, \$39,500.

3 BR, 1 3/4 bath mostly brick home, CH/A, fireplace, garage, fenced backyard, 1 1/2 lots, \$42,500.

3 BR, 2 bath, lg. LR, with WBFP, some wood floors, CH, double carport, storage bldg., 2 1/2 lots, \$45,000.

3 BR, 1 3/4 bath, veneer brick home, CH/A, fireplace, storm windows, garage enclosed for 2 extra rooms, chain link fencing, 2 storage bldgs, large trees, reduced to \$47,500.

2 BR, 1 3/4 bath home, veneer brick, CH/A, WBFP, garage, covered patio, storage bldg, fenced backyard, \$48,500.

3 BR, 1 3/4 bath brick, separate DR, storage bldg., garage, double carport, fenced backyard, \$53,500.

4 BR, 2 bath, 2 story, with character, some wood floors, lg. corner property, many large oak trees, reduced to \$47,000.

3 BR, 1 1/2 bath, CH, separate DR, WBFP in LR and WB heater in den, patio, 2 large metal shops, 2 double carports, 3 lots.

5 BR, 2 bath, 2 story home, lots of character, formal DR, office, large rooms, mostly wooden floors, 2 CH/A units, surrounded by large oak and pecan trees, large corner property.

2 BR Home, deck, boat dock, large oak trees, reduced to \$25,000.

3 BR Home, many cabinets, woodburning heater, wooden deck, boat dock with boat house, large trees, reduced to \$28,000.

2 BR Home, CH/A, fireplace, detached guest room, patio, boat dock, 2 car carport, storage bldg., large oak trees, reduced to \$28,000.

2 BR Home, WBFP, nice view of lake from LR and BRs. Some landscaping with sprinkler system, deck and boat dock.

3 BR, full bath plus two 3/4 bath home with CH/A and WBFP downstairs, covered boat dock. Furniture and appliances can remain.

Beautiful 2 BR, 1 3/4 bath home, CH/A, WBFP, shop, storage bldg., large landscaped yard, tall oak trees, boat dock, great view of lake from DR, LR, den and master BR, many extras.

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The following winners were present at the Cisco Writers Club Awards Program on Sept. 7. The photograph includes Sam Williams, Frank Strawn, Walter Williams, Jasper Cook, Eunice Eversdyk, Dorothy LeBleu, Ruth York, Shirley Meredith, Shirley Green and Evelyn Kirk.  
Photo courtesy of Rhonda Pipkin

## Number Of Winners At Awards Program

A good crowd turned out for the Cisco Writers Club Contest Awards Program, held at the First National Bank Community Room Sept. 7.

People came from as far away as Austin, Abilene, Breckenridge and Throckmorton for the event. Dr. Duane Hale, Club President, greeted all.

Jasper and Evelyn Cook, up from Austin, told how glad they were to be visiting in their home town.

Frank and Shirley Strawn, Eastland County natives, came from Abilene for the meeting. Frank was one of the winners.

Three Judges were present: Wesley and Evelyn Valek and Viola Payne.

Duane Hale, Ruth York and the Valeks gave out Awards to the winners. They consisted of cash prizes and attractive certificates. Some material was read from the contest manuscripts and the comments of judges.

All winners were invited to come back to the next Writers Club meeting on Oct. 5 and read their entries. Refreshments and visiting concluded the evening.

The winners were as follows:

Cisco Writers Club Contest - Summer, 2004 Awards By Category SPECIAL AWARDS David Autry Sweepstakes Award

Ruth York, Cisco, TX - ACHIEVING BEST ALL-ROUND PERFORMANCE Dr. Joe Stamey Unrhymed Poetry Award

Geneva C. Rodgers, Throckmorton, TX - ACHIEVING FIRST IN "UNRHYMED POETRY" Christine Reich Rhymed Poetry Award

Walter Williams, Eastland, TX - ACHIEVING FIRST IN "RHYMED POETRY" Irene Wylie Nostalgia Award Eunice Eversdyk, Abilene, TX - ACHIEVING FIRST IN "NOSTALGIA"

Lou Prange Inspirational Award Patricia Gohlke, Ranger, TX - ACHIEVING FIRST IN "INSPIRATION"

Mary Latch Carey Fiction Book Award Ruth York, Cisco, TX - ACHIEVING FIRST IN "BOOKS" (FICTION)

GENERAL AWARDS (Judges below category title) Short Stories

Dani Day—Abilene, TX—Chair, Cisco Junior College Division Of Language And Communication

1. Ruth York, Cisco, TX -

DOUBLE VISION  
2. Charles "Brown" Smith, Throckmorton, TX - FLYERS

3. Jasper Cook, Austin, TX - BUS RIDE  
HM Maggie Y. Harding, Marion, TX - THE WICKED, WICKED TONGUE

Short Shots (Brief Anecdotes)  
Viola Payne—Cisco, TX—Book author, feature writer—Eastland County Newspapers

1. Becky Huffman, Cleburne, TX - DAD VS. THE DONKEY

2. Ruth York, Cisco, TX - RICHTER SCALE  
2. Julia B. Worthy, Baird, TX - SHADES OF ALEX HALEY

3. Julia B. Worthy, Baird, TX - DUMFOUNDED TEACHER  
HM Ruth York, Cisco, TX - WORKING OUT

Poetry, Unrhymed  
Wesley J. Valek—Cisco, TX—Cisco Junior College

History Prof. writer and prize-winning poet  
1. Geneva C. Rodgers, Throckmorton, TX - J A N U A R Y ' S CATHEDRAL

2. Marriana B. Martinez, Houston, TX - AJOURNEY OF THE HEART  
3. Marriana B. Martinez, Houston, TX - THE WIND OF NEWS!

HM Jacqueline M. Richardson, Spring, TX - HOLDING HANDS

Poetry, Rhymed  
Evelyn Valek—Cisco, TX—Past stringer for Abilene Reporter-News, poet, writer

1. Walter Williams, Eastland, TX - THE INNOCENT YOUNG  
2. Sam Williams, Cisco, TX - TROUBLE COMETH

3. Dorothy Le Bleu, Gorman, TX - ODE TO THE RED MAN  
Poetry, Humorous  
Becky Odum—Cisco TX—Cisco ISD and College English Professor

1. Julia B. Worthy, Baird, TX - THE STATUS IS QUO-ED

2. Jasper Cook, Austin, TX - SUNDAY SCHOOL

3. Shirley Meredith, Breckenridge, TX - TRAVELS OF THE YOUNG AND OLD

HM Dorothy Le Bleu, Gorman, TX - "THAT'S THAT"  
HM Dorothy Le Bleu, Gorman, TX - JUSTA HORSE

Stories For Young Readers (Children 12 And Under)  
Catherine Worthy—Baird, TX—Novelist, journalist, past editor Cisco Press

1. Patricia Gohlke, Ranger, TX - BEWARE OF TAR PITS

2. Gay Ingram, Big Sandy, TX - JOSHUA'S TREE

3. Charles "Brown" Smith, Throckmorton, TX - BLUE STARS, SILVER STARS  
HM Shirley Green, Breckenridge, TX - B L A C K B E R R Y MORNING

Columns Of General Interest  
Charlie Chupp—De Leon, TX—News & magazine editor, publisher, columnist, fiction and nonfiction author

1. Gay Ingram, Big Sandy, TX - GO FOR BROKE

2. Geneva C. Rodgers, Throckmorton, TX - TAKING THE DIVE AT 58  
3. Geneva C. Rodgers, Throckmorton, TX - NAVIGATING NOVA SCOTIA

HM Sam Williams, Cisco, TX - LEGEND OF THE CLEAR ARROWHEAD Books  
Nancy Robinson Masters—Abilene TX—Columnist, fiction, nonfiction and children's author, inspirational speaker

1. Ruth York, Cisco, TX - JIMMY AND PLATA: TALES OF A TEXAS TWOSOME

2. Becky Huffman, Cleburne, TX - CULTURAL EXCHANGE

3. James Vern (Pseudonym for Chance and Ruth York), Cisco, TX - A HORSE NAMED SPANISH GOLD  
HM Jedediah Joseph York,

Cisco, TX - KNIGHTS OVER EUROPE

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Dr. Robert Wylie—Amarillo, TX—Amarillo Junior College English Instructor

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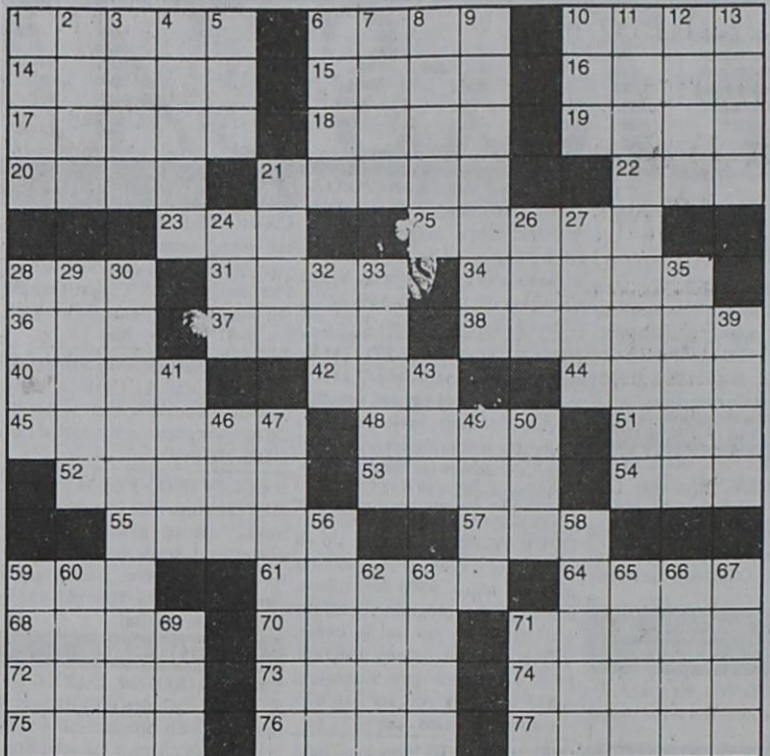
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### ACROSS

1. Actor Stacy
6. Nebbish
10. Bruins' campus: abbr.
14. Topic of dispute
15. Garfield's pal
16. "Pequod" protagonist
17. Coin side
18. Take five
19. Whitecap
20. Search
21. More rational
22. Stool pigeon
23. Use a needle
25. Brazilian dance
28. Rook's relative
31. Fork or air follower
34. Nap spot
36. Geisha's wear
37. Agent: suffix
38. Highlander
40. Exclusively
42. Brooks of The Producers
44. Castor's mother
45. Cut back
48. Air
51. Type of theater, for short
52. Team race
53. Certain feeds
54. Compass reading
55. Turn away

### DOWN

57. And so on: abbr.
59. Hr. portion
61. Sculptor George
64. Weaver's frame
68. Abstraction
70. Tandoo, for one
71. The Velvet Fog
72. More than half
73. Wrench
74. Drive
75. Famed lioness
76. Ages
77. Call up
21. Actress Loretta
24. Overhead railways
26. Extinct New Zealand bird
27. Singer Ives
28. Place to rap
29. Pansy's Lil' son
30. Wasteland
32. Gender: abbr.
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39. Neck part
41. Christmas
43. Abner's partner on radio
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60. Effigy
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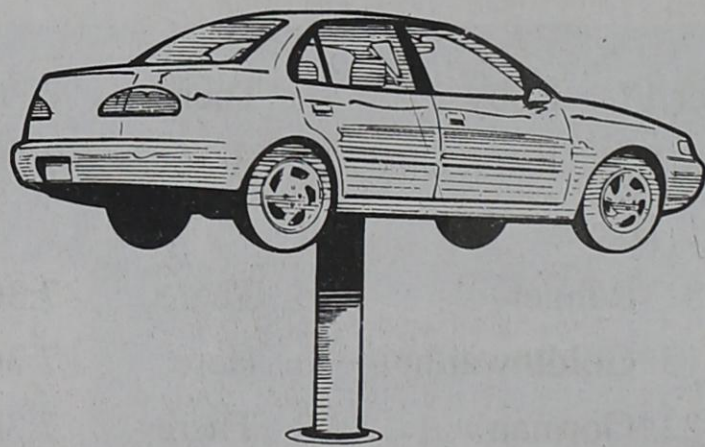


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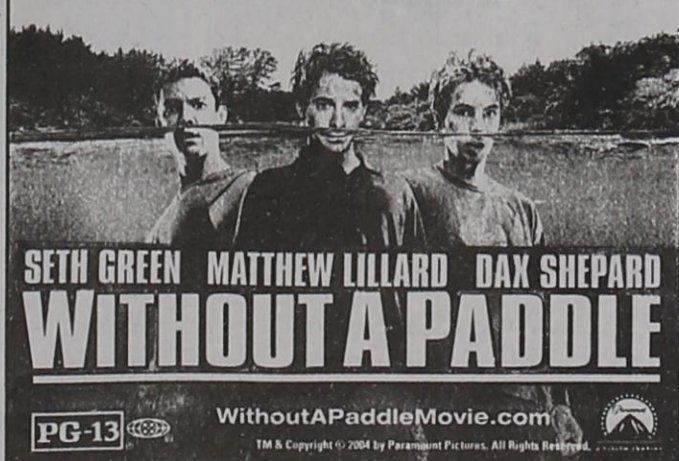
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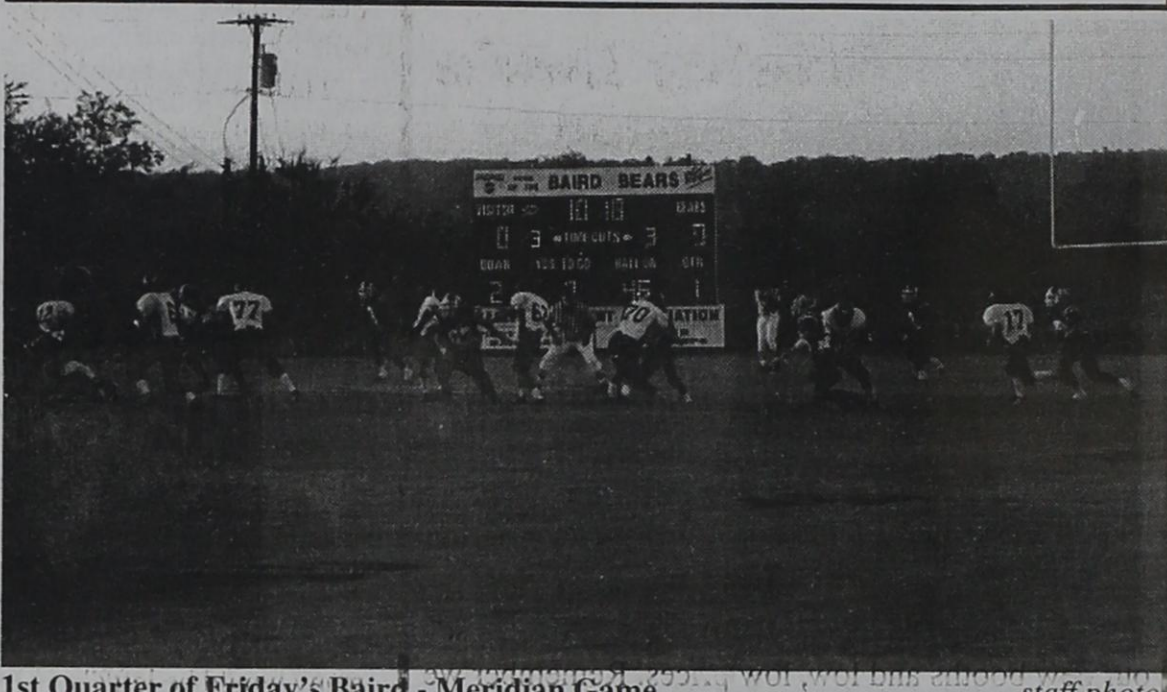
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| September 24 | Knox City      | Here  | 7:30 |
| October 1    | Bye            |       |      |
| October 8    | *Ranger        | There | 7:30 |
| October 15   | *Goldthwaithe  | Here  | 7:30 |
| October 22   | *Gorman        | There | 7:30 |
| October 29   | *Cross Plains* | Here  | 7:30 |
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**Baird Bears 2004 Varsity**

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| 2  | Blan Scott       | 11 | QB/FS | 6'0  | 170 |
| 3  | Chance Rodriguez | 11 | WR/DB | 6'1  | 155 |
| 9  | Chase Goldsmith  | 12 | WR/DB | 5'10 | 155 |
| 15 | Matt Reynolds    | 12 | HB/DE | 5'10 | 165 |
| 21 | Chris Cogburn    | 10 | QB/DB | 5'7  | 150 |
| 22 | Zach Green       | 12 | RB/DL | 5'7  | 165 |
| 29 | Justin Patterson | 10 | RB/LB | 5'8  | 165 |
| 30 | Chris Jones      | 9  | RB/DB | 5'7  | 150 |
| 32 | Blake Mendez     | 12 | WR/DB | 5'6  | 140 |
| 33 | Jed Womack       | 11 | RB/LB | 5'9  | 160 |
| 38 | Jayce Barbee     | 9  | WR/DB | 5'6  | 130 |
| 40 | Sid Walton       | 11 | RB/LB | 5'9  | 150 |
| 44 | Cody Shouse      | 11 | RB/LB | 5'6  | 155 |
| 50 | Andrew Emmert    | 9  | OL/DL | 5'11 | 170 |
| 51 | Justin Roberts   | 10 | OL/LB | 5'11 | 190 |
| 52 | Brad Matlock     | 11 | OL/LB | 5'11 | 215 |
| 53 | Carter Burford   | 12 | OL/LB | 5'11 | 175 |
| 60 | Jeramie Brooks   | 9  | OL/DL | 5'9  | 200 |
| 62 | Kyle Dillard     | 12 | OL/DL | 5'11 | 240 |
| 65 | Richardo Lopez   | 12 | OL/DL | 5'8  | 150 |
| 70 | Roger Wamsley    | 11 | OL/DL | 5'11 | 220 |
| 72 | Judd Clark       | 10 | OL/DL | 5'7  | 245 |
| 75 | Tim Burns        | 12 | OL/DL | 6'0  | 315 |
| 79 | Koby Parker      | 10 | OL/DL | 6'0  | 242 |
| 80 | Jacob Dillard    | 9  | TE/DL | 5'8  | 175 |
| 83 | Will Green       | 12 | WR/DB | 6'0  | 175 |
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# The Idle American

Commentary By Dr. Don Newbury

## Columnist 'Unfit' for Terrorist Model

What an adventure when Poppy took grandson Ben to an airport to see airplanes up close! We left nose and hand prints, our calling cards, on the glass door marked "authorized personnel only." The sign was in bold letters, maybe 30 steps from the nearest aircraft.

But wait! A security official asked if we'd like to go for a ride. Of course we did! He drove us hither and yon on the "restricted" side of the door.

The lad sat in a helicopter, repeatedly snapping the seat belt into place. He felt the shiny exterior of a jet liner and pressed the button

to release a huge arc of water from a fire truck. He heard the tower operator bark permission for us to drive across an active runway.

He was awestruck; I was dumbstruck. Later, I asked our host the obvious question: What if I had been a terrorist?

"We have detailed composites on terrorists," he laughed, "And so far, none of them has been white-haired, wearing cut-offs and sandals, carrying a diaper bag with a three-year-old in tow."

Oh. New York Yankees' brass hit a new low recently, appealing to the league office for a forfeit by the Tampa Bay Devil Rays. Their plane

arrived several hours after the scheduled game time in the Big Apple. The Rays, of course, had huddled with their families until the hurricane had blown through.

Two days later, a double-header between the same two teams in NYC was rained out—a remnant, of course, of the same hurricane. If the Floridians had used the same logic, they'd have sought forfeiture from the Yankees for allowing it to rain.

Sometimes goings-on in the "new west" rival the "old west." Here's a fresh synopsis of a couple of Texas jailers who decided to "play it safe."

A woman, caught "imbibing while driving," was hauled in. When mealtime came, hash was offered.

"I can't eat that," she screamed, "I'm a vegetarian!"

The young jailer, clueless about the term, thought the five syllables sounded formidable. His hash-slinging buddy didn't like the sound of it, either.

They were in further agreement that they wanted nary a bobble on their watch.

So, they let her go. "Be careful now, you heah?," one warned as she left the jail. She chuckled and drove away.

A second-grade teacher, transplanted to Texas, got a job in a small ranching community. "Johnny," she asked, "If you had 12 sheep in a pen and two jumped out, how many would be left?" "None."

Exasperated, she moaned, "You don't know much about arithmetic, do you?"

"No, ma'm, I guess not," he admitted, "But I know a right smart about sheep."

What's all this talk about a 24-hour channel with NOTHING but Dallas Cowboys football? Sounds like Jerry Jones wants to do for TV sports what the late Julia Childs did for the food channel.

The Cowboys owner may have forgotten that much of Julia's charm sprang from her unique voice. His voice will be "unChilds-like." Further, Jones' presentation will feature more "home-cookin'" than French cuisine, and what if this show gives Mavericks boss Mark Cuban ideas? Round-the-clock "benefactoring" bodes no better.

Let us be thankful that Texas is not a "battleground state" in the presidential race. We are thus spared a barrage of TV ads from both camps, seeing them mostly when the networks decide to dissect them.

In many states, there's hardly enough time to get in those critical pharmaceutical ads. Heaven help us!

News that Muhammed Ali has petitioned Congress to hammer unscrupulous boxing promoters reminds me of retired Rice University President Malcolm Gillis. You may recall that when he signed off in the spring, he scrupulously challenged George Foreman to a boxing

match. Foreman, heavyweight champion of the world a decade ago, had announced his "coming out" of retirement about the same time. The challenge was accepted.

Proceeds were earmarked for the Rice University scholarship fund, and the bout was to be held this summer. Dr. Gillis, at 207 pounds, remains "at the ready." Alas, the former champion—no doubt busy with grill promotion—isn't sailing out of retirement on schedule. In fact, he "dropped anchor" at the 270-pound mark. When his weight comes down, the fight is on! Let breaths NOT be held.

*Dr. Newbury is an author/speaker/columnist in the Metroplex. His weekly column appears in 100 Texas newspapers. He may be contacted at 817.447.3872 or by e-mail: newbury@speakerdoc.com*

## Men In Service


**Andrew White**  
Civilian Andrew S. White, son of Leticia and Howard S. White of Cisco, Texas, recently enlisted in the United States Navy under the Delayed Entry Program at Navy Recruiting District Dallas, Irving, Texas.

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**Tim Lawrence**  
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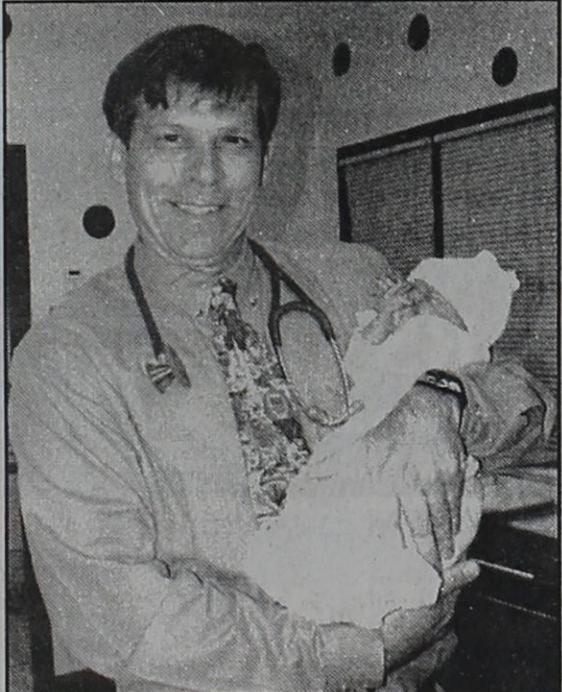
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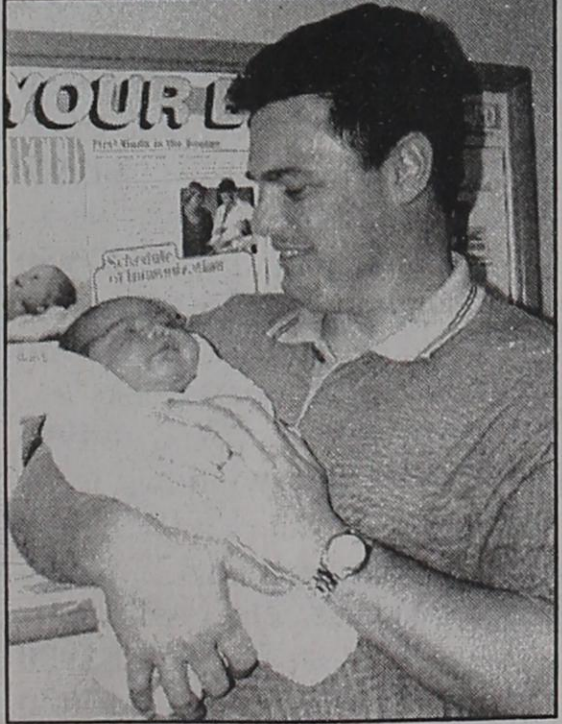
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Dr. Cox just recently started his practice at the B & W Clinic. He is a 2001 graduate of Texas Tech University School of Medicine. Dr. Cox will be a Family Practitioner, which will include Obstetrics and Pediatrics. He served in the United States Air Force as a Medical Service Specialist. Dr. Cox volunteered to be a big brother in the Big Brothers/Big Sisters organization. Dr. Cox is married and has two daughters. His hobbies include hiking, hunting, camping, reading and tennis.

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## Making A Difference

By Rex M. Rogers

### Eating Ourselves To Death

Americans are vying for the title "Heaviest People on Earth." One article after another records Americans' major league eating habits, and now we are being warned that obesity ranks as a growing problem (no pun intended) among the nation's children.

I like to eat as much as the next person. Who doesn't? There is, of course, nothing wrong with eating. God fashioned omnivorous and carnivorous human beings. In the book of Genesis God said, "Everything that lives and moves will be food for you. Just as I gave you the green plants, I now give you everything" (9:3). He gave us the fruits of his creation and commanded us to develop them for our use and his glory. Throughout history, as God intended, people have eaten not just for subsistence but for enjoyment and as a key element in human fellowship.

But as I've gotten older dieting has become a part of my lifestyle, whether I want it to be or not. A combination of abundance, junk food, and sedentary occupations makes it easy for most of us to overeat. We live to eat rather than eat to live.

In Proverbs, God says, "Do not join those who drink too much wine or gorge themselves on meat, for drunkards

and gluttons become poor" (23: 20-21). Moderation is always God's command regarding anything he has given us that is not in itself intrinsically evil. In other words, we get ourselves into trouble every time our participation in anything is motivated by self-indulgence.

Eating is a divine gift. When we eat according to God's standards, we reap bounty. When we eat according to selfish desires, we reap fat cells that carry with them their own consequences. Try this, think of eating as an act of worship and see how this thought changes your approach.

Rex M. Rogers, Ph.D., book author and president of Cornerstone University, Grand Rapids, Mich., is a syndicated columnist, whose columns reach more than 429,858 homes in 89 newspapers in 32 states: Alabama, California, Florida, Georgia, Idaho, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Kentucky, Maine, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, Nebraska, New Hampshire, New Jersey, North Carolina, North Dakota, Oklahoma, Ohio, Oregon, Pennsylvania, South Carolina, South Dakota, Tennessee, Texas, Utah, Virginia, Washington, West Virginia and Wisconsin. Send comments in care of: alan@blanchardgroup.net.

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Mangum Baptist Church, 902 CR 194, Eastland will celebrate its 100th anniversary Sunday, October 10, 2004 in conjunction with the annual homecoming. Registration will begin at 10 a.m. and morning services at 10:30 a.m. Delbert Cozart, a former pastor, will bring the message. The Messengers from Gorman will provide the music.

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## Summer Graduates Named At Tarleton State University

STEPHENVILLE, TX-- Tarleton State University held summer commencement exercises on August 7 in Wisdom Gymnasium in the Health and Physical Education complex on campus. Among those recognized by Tarleton President Dr. Dennis P. McCabe were 11 Departmental Outstanding graduates.

Selected by the administration and faculty from the student's major field, these

Departmental Outstanding Graduates are chosen based on exceptional academic and leadership qualities.

Among those honored were Candice Marie Doyle of Eastland, Department of Accounting, Finance and Economics.

Graduates from this area are as follows:

BAIRD: Pamela Kay Mason, BS-Interdisciplinary Studies

CISCO: Misty McCulloch

## 11th Court of Appeals

Eastland, Texas Proceedings (En Banc) September 9, 2004

### Affirmed

Derrick Polly v. State of Texas, Dawson. (Opinion by Chief Justice Arnot) (Panel consists of: Chief Justice Arnot, Justice Wright, and Justice McCall).

Roy Day, Jr. v. Knox County Appraisal District, Knox. (Memorandum Opinion by Justice McCall) (Panel consists of: Chief Justice Arnot, Justice Wright, and Justice McCall).

Robert Powell, M.D. v. Brownwood Regional Hospital, Inc. d/b/a Brownwood Regional Medical Center, Brown. (Memorandum Opinion by Chief Justice Arnot) (Panel consists of: Chief Justice Arnot, Justice Wright, and Justice McCall).

Abron Michael Henry v. State of Texas, Galveston. (Opinion by Justice Wright) (Panel consists of: Chief Justice Arnot, Justice Wright, and Justice McCall).

Paul Junior McAfee v. State of Texas, Harris. (Per Curiam Opinion) (Panel consists of: Chief Justice Arnot, Justice Wright, and Justice McCall).

Charnell Blaylock, Jr. v. State of Texas, Taylor. (Opinion by Justice McCall) (Panel consists of: Chief Justice Arnot, Justice Wright, and Justice McCall).

Shirley Campbell Sanchez v. State of Texas, Taylor. (Opinion by Justice McCall) (Panel consists of: Chief Justice Arnot, Justice Wright, and Justice McCall).

**Affirmed in part & Reversed & Remanded in part**

Harshad Panchal v. Sonali Panchal, Collin. (Memorandum Opinion by Chief Jus-

Justice Arnot) (Panel consists of: Chief Justice Arnot, Justice Wright, and Justice McCall).

### Reversed & Remanded

Randall Jones and Sandi Jones v. Mehdi Khorsandi, M.D., Collin. (Opinion by Chief Justice Arnot) (Panel consists of: Chief Justice Arnot, Justice Wright, and Justice McCall).

**Appeal Dismissed & Granted; Dismissed** Edward Lewis Caruthers, Jr. v. State of Texas, Taylor. (Per Curiam Opinion) (Panel consists of: Chief Justice Arnot, Justice Wright, and Justice McCall).

**Motion Submitted & Granted**

Lee Liol Goodman v. State of Texas, Ector. Appellant's motion to dismiss appeal. (Per Curiam Opinion) (Panel consists of: Chief Justice Arnot, Justice Wright, and Justice McCall).

**Original Proceeding Denied**

In re Paul Junior McAfee, Orig. Pro. Relator's pro se application for writ of mandamus. (Per Curiam Opinion) (Panel consists of: Chief Justice Arnot, Justice Wright, and Justice McCall).

**Motions Submitted & Granted**

Jesse Dan Cates v. State of Texas, Stephens. Appellant's second motion for extension of time to file supplemental brief.

Volo Al Nelson v. State of Texas, Taylor. Appellant's pro se motion for extension of time to file brief.

Paul Junior McAfee v. State of Texas, Harris. Appellant's counsel's motion to withdraw.

Ronald Evan Richardson v. State of Texas, Ector. Appellant's second motion for extension of time to file brief.

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Bussell, MED-Curriculum & Instruction

DESDEMONA: Joe David Grimshaw, MA-History  
EASTLAND: Candice Marie Doyle (with honors; Departmental Outstanding Graduate), BBA-Finance; Regina Ann Oliver, BS-Chemistry; Wendy G. Porter, BAAS-Business Occupations

MORAN: Jo Ellen Hise,

MED-Curriculum & Instruction

RANGER: William Copeland Bailey, BS-Ag Services & Development; Travis John Clifton, BS-Wildlife Management

RISING STAR: Coy Lee Barker (with honors), BS-Exercise & Sport Studies; Toby Dan Long, MS-Agricultural Education

successor in interest by merger to Conoco Inc., and named as Conoco Inc. v. Incline Energy, Midland. Appellee/Cross-Appellant's second agreed motion for extension of time to file response file.

Boris Demetrius Gee v. State of Texas, Taylor. State's motion for extension of time to file brief.

Roy Lee Steinke v. State of Texas, Midland. Appellant's second motion for extension of time to file brief.

Matthew Esquivel v. State of Texas, Midland. Appellant's third motion for extension of time to file brief.

Ronnie Ray Huse v. State of Texas, Erath. Appellant's motion for extension of time to file brief.

In the matter of M.D.G., a juvenile, Midland. Appellant's motion for extension of time to file brief.

Larry Joe Valadez v. State

of Texas, Taylor. Appellant's motion for extension of time to file brief.

John Wayne Woodall v. State of Texas, Eastland. Appellant's motion for extension of time to file brief.

Ryan Houston Castleberry v. State of Texas, Taylor. Appellant's second motion for extension of time to file brief.

Bradley T. Kendrick, M.D. and Hendrick Medical Center v. Maria Garcia, as Administratrix of the Estate of Edward A. Martinez, Taylor. Appellant's (Kendrick) motion to stay trial-court proceedings. (Per Curiam Order) (Panel consists of: Chief Justice Arnot, Justice Wright, and Justice McCall).

**Motion Submitted & Granted in Part**

Timothy Ray Bridges v. State of Texas, Palo Pinto. Appellant's third motion for extension of time to file brief.

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## Husband And Wife's Probation Revoked

The Honorable Judge Steven Herod revoked the probation of Brandon Michael Rusk, 22, and of Katherine Yvonne Holman, 21, Friday morning in the 91<sup>st</sup> Judicial District Court after hearing both of their pleas. Rusk and Holman had previously been placed on ten years probation in January of this year for the offense of Hindering Apprehension or Prosecution of a Felon. Both had been arrested by officers with the Cisco Police Department on July 13, 2002 for providing aid to Timothy Wayne Skiles

in avoiding arrest. After Rusk and Holman entered a plea of true to violating certain terms and conditions of their probation, the Court sentenced each of them to six years confinement in the Institutional Division of the Texas Department of Criminal Justice. Criminal District Attorney Russ Thomason stated: "The Probation Officer made many efforts to work with this couple, which they failed to take advantage of, leaving the officer no choice but to seek their imprisonment."

## From 'Out Of The Cradle, On To Eternity'

By Wanda Lee Beck Skinner

### Did You Ever See Honey Bees Swarm?

Upon close observation growth that had suddenly appeared on a pecan tree in our yard, we found that honey bees were looking for a new home. Since it was near the house and yard, we decided they would have to make their home elsewhere. We consulted a neighbor who said they would not sting if the swarm was moved in proper manner. In his opinion the proper way was to find a large pasteboard box, put it under the swarm, and take a broom and the swarm at its peak.

We found someone who had a hive that was not being used went after it and got it set in at the very back of our property, then the box was put in place, I but urged all the family members to go inside and watch out the win-

dows. With one large whack at the top of the swarm, most of the bees did go into the box but those more that decided they did not want to be disturbed, flew at my heard. The stings were painful but I took time to seal the box securely before running into the house and allowing my daughter to pull out the stingers with the tweezers. There were over thirty stingers and most were in my ear lobes.

I was very fortunate because the stings cause no bad reactions to me. I have one word of advice for you, if perchance one day you see a swarm of bees, be smart and call an expert for help with the task before you. I will tell you that the hive we placed them in did well for several years. But, and this is a big but, one day those bees went on a rampage for some unknown cause, killed

## Just Remembering

By Jasper Cook

My grandmother Cook's brother, Aaron House, and his wife, Mary, lived at Ranger, Texas when I was just a little boy. One day their gas stove blew up and the entire house was in flames. Aaron got out of the house, although he was badly burned. When he could not find Mary, he panicked, and went back into the raging fire. He died of smoke inhalation and burns.

He didn't know Mary had escaped out the other side of the house. She died five or six days later of severe burns. They are both buried in Bullard Cemetery, north of Ranger.

I was only 10 years old, but I have had a phobia about fires since that tragic event.

the neighbors dog, attacked everyone and everything before they could be exterminated. A swarm of bees may present an interesting sight but it is cause for caution.

Not long after the Ranger fire, the house across the street from our house burned one night. I can still remember the father tossing his small children out the window, onto the grass. He saved all their lives.

My fear of fire became worse after that.

Over the years I have tried to overcome that fear. I have even been a member of Volunteer Fire Companies. I have assisted in extinguishing house fires, automobile fires, and grass fires. I have even assisted people out of burning buildings; however, I still become extremely nervous when I see a fire.

My wife and I were visiting her parents in Kentucky where she was born. Like almost everyone else in that area, they raised tobacco for a living.

As we drove along a county black-top road one day I saw a large red barn with smoke pouring out the open door on

one end of the barn.

"Look! Look!" I shouted. "That big red barn is on fire. I've got to get to a telephone and report it."

"Honey," she replied, "I don't think that barn is on fire."

"Are you crazy?" I countered. "You must be blind! Just look at all the smoke pouring out of that fire."

At that moment I saw a State Highway Patrol office just ahead of me. I pulled into their driveway and ran inside.

"Can I help you, sir?" a lady asked.

"Ma'am," I shouted, "There is a big red barn on fire just across the field out there!"

"Oh dear," she said, "Let's go outside so I can learn the location to tell the fire department."

When we were outside, we could see the barn quite clearly. The lady started laughing. "Sir," she said, "You must not be from around here."

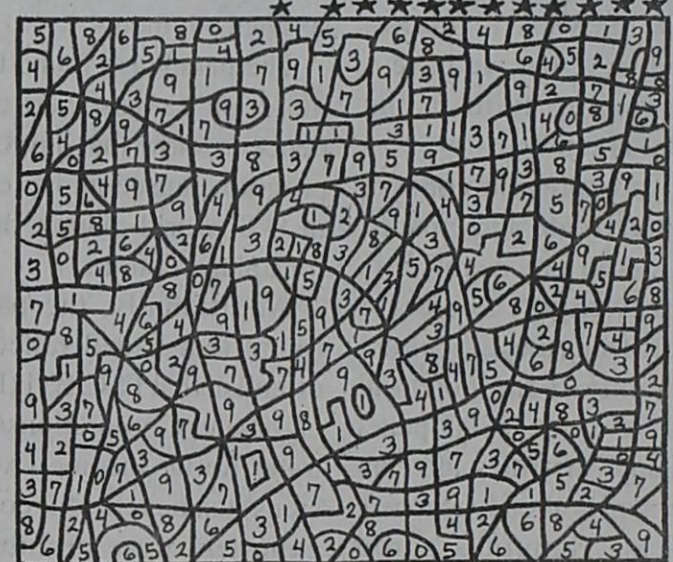
"No Ma'am," I replied, "I am from Texas."

"That barn isn't on fire" she said, "They are drying tobacco in the barn and the smoke is part of the drying process. Everything is O.K."

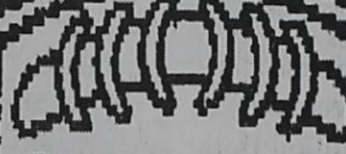
My face turned as red as that big barn and I left there rather hurriedly.

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**WTO Appeal**

A World Trade Organization (WTO) dispute settlement panel this past week issued a final ruling that the United States export credit guarantee program for cotton does not meet commitments made in WTO's agricultural trade framework.

As a result of this decision, the U.S. is moving ahead to appeal certain parts of the decision. This will be a lengthy process.

I spoke with U.S. Trade Representative Bob Zoellick earlier this week to make sure our negotiators commit to look at all fiber subsidies in these agreements-synthetic and natural. It is very important for the West Texas cotton industry that we have a level playing field in the world market.

I also expressed concern for future trade agreements, and I asked our negotiators how they expect to receive support from the agriculture community if the potential exists for some WTO panel to change the rules after an agreement is already reached.

Please remain assured there will be no immediate impact on U.S. farm programs.

Earlier this year, Brazil filed a complaint with the

WTO, challenging numerous U.S. agricultural programs as being inconsistent with earlier agreements in trade negotiations.

While the panel sided with Brazil on some of their claims, some U.S. farm programs were not determined to have a significant effect on prices.

The panel agreed with the U.S. that income support provided to U.S. cotton farmers that is fully decoupled from production and prices has not suppressed world cotton prices.

Decoupled support programs include program flexibility contract payments, direct payments and crop insurance payments.

The panel also found that there isn't significant evidence to show that any U.S. program caused an increase in U.S. world market share for upland cotton.

Additionally, the panel found that Brazil failed to establish that FSC/ETI (Foreign Sales Corporations/Extraterritorial Income Exclusions) tax benefits for cotton exporters were prohibited export subsidies.

I believe the best way to address any distortions in world agricultural markets are through WTO agricul-

tural negotiations. Multilateral commitments to reduce tariffs and subsidies will increase the role of market forces globally, and they are the best way to achieve agricultural reform.

The U.S. has been a strong leader in the Doha Round of trade negotiations, including playing a key role in July on a framework agreement for the agriculture negotiation.

This framework builds on the U.S. comprehensive proposal in 2002 to reform all trade-distorting measures in agriculture. Our objective is to create new market access opportunities for all countries by achieving specific reform commitments in each of the areas of export subsidies, trade-distorting domestic support and market access in all countries.

Please be assured I will continue to look out for the interests of cotton farmers in West Texas as this moves forward.

**The Chinese and Currency Manipulation**

One of the greatest challenges facing our economy is the unfair competition from Southeast Asia as a result of currency manipulation. Several countries in Asia, in particular, continually take actions to artificially lower the value of their currencies against the U.S. dollar. While that may sound like an arcane issue, it has a direct harmful impact on American workers, farmers and ranchers.

Currency manipulation makes U.S. exports more expensive to sell in those countries while inviting cheaper imports into the United States. These ma-

nipulations give the Asian products a 15 to 40 percent competitive advantage over U.S. products. And U.S. businesses cannot compete against products with an unfair price advantage caused by currency manipulation, resulting in lost jobs.

That is why I joined with a bipartisan group of congressmen last year to introduce a House Resolution urging the U.S. government to use all available means to force East Asian countries to stop manipulating their currencies to the detriment of American manufacturers and workers.

Now, one year later, I am pleased to report there has been some positive progress from a U.S. standpoint.

The Chinese have agreed that making the transition to a market-based exchange rate is one of their top priorities. And they appear to be taking steps to make a market based exchange rate a reality, according to an official with the U.S. Treasury Department.

In addition, the Chinese are strengthening their banks and the supervision of their banks among other things.

The Chinese are moving in the right direction, and we must urge them to do more.

The current situation of large trade deficits caused in part by illegal currency manipulation cannot continue. We must continue to send a strong message to our trading partners that there will be economic and political consequences if they do not treat the farmers, ranchers, workers and manufacturers of the United States fairly.

Since 95 percent of the world's consumers live outside the U.S., our economic future depends on competing

in the international marketplace.

American farmers, ranchers, manufacturers and other producers can successfully compete in the international marketplace, but they need a level playing field without their competitors gaining an unfair advantage through currency manipulation.

Congressman Stenholm represents the 17th District of Texas in the U.S. House of Representatives and is the Ranking Member of the House Committee on Agriculture.

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| <p>#C725<br/> <b>'04 FORD MUSTANG LX</b><br/>                 AUTO, PW, PL<br/>                 MSRP ..... \$19,475<br/>                 Discount ..... \$1,254<br/>                 Rebate ..... \$2,500<br/> <b>SALE \$15,721*</b></p> | <p>#C724<br/> <b>'04 RANGER EDGE S/CAB</b><br/>                 V6, AUTO, PW/PL, FLARESIDE<br/>                 MSRP ..... \$22,055<br/>                 Discount ..... \$3,284<br/>                 Rebate ..... \$3,000<br/> <b>SALE \$15,771*</b></p> | <p>#C537<br/> <b>'04 F150 XLT S/CAB</b><br/>                 V8, AUTO, CD, T/C, PW/PL<br/>                 MSRP ..... \$28,040<br/>                 Discount ..... \$3,474<br/>                 Rebate ..... \$3,000<br/> <b>SALE \$21,566*</b></p> |
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| <p><b>'98 FORD F150 S/C XLT</b><br/>                 V8, AUTO, TOOL BOX, #G297<br/> <b>\$9,490*</b></p>  | <p><b>'03 FORD F150 SUPER CREW XLT</b><br/>                 V8, AUTO, #G305<br/> <b>\$18,790*</b></p>  | <p><b>'00 FORD F150 XLT</b><br/>                 V8, AUTO, PW/PL, T/C, ONLY 32K MILES, #G310<br/> <b>\$14,490*</b></p>  |
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\* ALL PRICES PLUS TT&L



**NOTICE**

The State of Texas  
County of Callahan

In compliance with Section 118.131 of the Local Government Code, the following written notice is furnished to:

(1) The Commissioners' Court of each County in the State of Texas

(2) The State Bar of Texas  
**NOTICE OF FEES TO BE CHARGED FOR SERVICES BY THE OFFICES OF SHERIFF AND CONSTABLES OF CALLAHAN COUNTY, TEXAS, EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2005**

On this the 13th day of September, A.D. 2004, the Commissioners' Court of Callahan County, Texas, pursuant to the provisions of Section 118.131 of the Local Government Code, set the following fees to be charged by the offices of the Sheriff and Constables of Callahan County, Texas, to become effective January 1, 2005, and to remain in effect until

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| further orders of the Court:   | Writ of Restitution - \$100.00   | when the same is made by a sale:  |
| These fees will be for the District Courts, County Courts, Justice of the Peace Courts, and Small Claims Courts. | Writ of Sequestration - \$100.00   | For all sums over Two Hundred Dollars (\$200.00 and not exceeding One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00, six percent (6%)            |
| Bailiff Fee - \$20.00  | Writ of Execution - \$100.00   | For all sums over One Thousand Dollars (1,000.00) and not exceeding Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000.00), three percent (3%)      |
| Citation - \$60.00   | Writ of Protective Order - \$100.00  | For all sums over Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000.00), two percent (2%)  |
| Citation by Publication - \$60.00  | Writ of Commitment - \$100.00  | When the money is collected by the Sheriff or Constable without a sale, one-half (1/2) of the above rates shall be allowed him. |
| Citation Scire Facias - \$60.00  | Show Cause Notice - \$60.00  | IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED, ADJUDGED, AND DECREED that the fees as prescribed above are hereby set by the Callahan                 |
| Distress Warrant - \$50.00   | Executing Warrants - \$50.00   |   |
| Forcible Detainers - \$65.00   | Writ of Re-Entry - \$100.00  |   |
| Injunction - \$50.00   | For any services not listed above - \$50.00  |   |
| Notice of Publication - \$60.00  | For executing a bill of sale to each purchaser of personal property under execution or order of sale, when demanded by purchaser, a fee of \$60.00 |   |
| Notice of Trustee Sale - \$50.00   | For executing a deed to each purchaser of real estate under execution or order of sale, a fee of \$60.00   |   |
| Order of Sale - \$65.00  | For posting written notices in public places as may be required by law a fee of \$30.00 for posting each location.                                 |   |
| Precept of Serve - \$60.00   | Collecting money on an execution or an order of sale   |   |
| Subpoena - Civil - \$50.00   |  |   |
| Subpoena - Duces Tecum - Civil - \$50.00   |  |   |
| Summons - \$50.00  |  |   |
| Temporary Restraining Order - \$60.00  |  |   |
| Writ of Attachment - \$100.00  |  |   |
| Writ of Habeas Corpus - \$100.00   |  |   |
| Writ of Possession - \$100.00  |  |   |

County Commissioners' Court effective January 1, 2005, and to remain in effect until further orders of this County.  
Ordered in Open Court on this the 13th day of Sept., 2004  
County Judge Roger Corn  
Attest: Jeanie Bohannon,  
County Clerk and Ex-Officio Clerk of Commissioners' Court  
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**Commissioners**

the County Rural 911 Addressing Office to Abilene. Ms. Vestal explained that the Council of Governments had largely funded the office in Callahan County, since they took over. She said she believed that the first year after the take over, the office had a budget of \$26,000, and the office cost the County only about \$900, vs. costs in prior years.

However, the Council of Governments and the counties had been given cuts, Ms. Vestal explained, and last year the budget had been cut to \$20,000.00. This year the funds ran out in June; she added, However a check had been received from the Council, which covered costs July and August, and she believed they would also pay through September, if the Court approved this transfer.

Callahan County would be carried through the office in Abilene, Rhonda Vestal said, but four other counties would probably be picked-up. The activities for the County would remain essentially the same. For some time, a phone to receive messages would probably stay connected here, it was noted.

The County would not be out any funds, Ms. Vestal added, and the 911 funds coming to the Sheriff's office would not be affected. "It is strictly the addressing and maintenance budget," Ms. Vestal said.

Rhonda Vestal, who said she will be applying for the job in the Abilene office, was

commended by the Court for the good job she had done in the Callahan County office.

A motion to approve relocating the Callahan County Rural 911 Addressing office was carried unanimously by the Callahan Commissioners Court.

The Commissioners also approved taking funds from the Technology Fund to cover computer work done in the amount of \$91.95 for Precinct #3.

Judge Roger Corn signed the minutes of previous meetings with no addition or corrections.

Approved bills were paid. There was no public comment.

Present at the meeting were Commissioner Holland, Commissioner Hicks, Commissioner Farmer, Presiding Judge Roger Corn, Dianne Alexander, County Treasurer, Jeanie Bohannon, Court Clerk, Rhonda Vestal, Constable Young, and Margaret Hetrick.

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**Maintenance**

taining the transportation system while about half of maintenance operations are privatized.

"In Callahan County," Rodriguez said, "from September 2002 through August 2003, our maintenance crews and contracted forces have resurfaced 102.86 miles of roadway, filled 918 potholes, mowed 11,405 acres of right of way, picked up 27,954 acres of litter, replaced 4,177 linear feet of guard fence and placed 828,329 linear feet of striping. And, if it were not

**Baird First United Methodist Church News**

**Connecting Kids to Christ Workshop**

Connecting Kids to Christ Workshop, is a 1 day workshop sponsored by Children's Ministry magazine. It takes place Saturday, September 25, at first Christian Church, 2323 Broadway, in Lubbock. They guarantee you won't find a better, more relevant, engaging, and life-changing workshop for you and your whole team! Everyone who ministers to children from nursery through sixth grade including ministers, ministry leaders, teachers and volunteers should at-

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Sunday - Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.  
Sunday Worship, 10:45 a.m.  
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for our Adopt-a-Highway volunteers, the amount of litter having to be contracted out for pick-up would be greater. "Every day, around the clock, the public depends on transportation, whether it be getting to work or play, to transport goods to market or to get our kids to school safely," Behrens said. "The transportation system that allows all of that re constant maintenance, repair and preservation."

The department devotes some 6,700 employees statewide to that job. The 16 employees in Callahan County are responsible for 750 lane miles with an average daily vehicle miles traveled of 828,124.  
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**Baird First Baptist Church Schedule Of Events**

Each one of you are invited to join us at the corner of Race and 3rd St., Baird. For more information on any of these events please contact the church: 854-1574 (Nursery provided for worship services)  
Sunday School - 9:45 A.M.  
Worship Service - 11:00 A.M.  
Prayer Time In Sanctuary - 5:00 P.M.  
Evening Service - 6:00 P.M.  
Wednesday Service - 7:00 P.M.  
**Coming Soon**  
Sept. 12th - 19th - Mary Will Davis  
Sunday, Sept. 19 - Noon Fellowship Meal  
Bring your favorite dish - meat, veggies, fruits, salads, or dessert  
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The purpose of life is to believe to hope and to strive.  
- Mahatma Gandhi  
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Reading makes a full man, meditation a profound man, discourse a clear man.  
- Benjamin Franklin  
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**To the People of Callahan County**

This year will mark the fourth time I have engaged in a campaign for the Office of Callahan County Attorney. In all these campaigns, I have always tried to run on a positive note, telling you who I am, what my background and qualifications are and what I have done while in office and in your communities.

I am as disgusted with the negative nature of today's political campaigns as most of you. I intend to engage in the same kind of positive race that I have always run in the past. I hope you will join me in discouraging attack ads, mudslinging and negative campaigning, either directly or by innuendo.

Let's keep our local races clean.

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Callahan County Attorney

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