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### BAIRD HIGH SCHOOL SENIOR RANDI JO WITTE KILLED IN CAR ACCIDENT

The community of Baird was shocked last Wednesday, May 20, at the death of Baird High School Senior Randi Witte after she was involved in a one-vehicle accident at around 10:40 p.m. Tuesday night. Returning home from Clyde on Farm-to-Market Road 18, Witte apparently lost control of her westbound 1989 Ford pickup, left the road, traveled through the right ditch, struck a heavily wooded fence, turned over twice, and finally came to rest with the vehicle lying on the passenger side.

Witte was the lone passenger in the vehicle and was reported to have been wearing her seat belt. Rescuers reported that Witte was on unconscious when they removed her from the truck. She was immediately transported to Hendrick's hospital

where she passed away at 12:23 p.m. Wednesday afternoon, some 14 hours after the accident. She never regained consciousness.

Randi was the 17 year old daughter of Randall and Debra Jo Witte and brother of John Witte. Earlier in the month, Randi had been part of the Baird High School UIL Golf team that had advanced to the State Meet. Other team members credited Randi's putting during the playoff rounds for having inspired the team to go on ahead and take the lead and defeat Vega for the state title. This was Baird's second state title in a row. Randi had also received various other academic citations and was active in band and had recently been named the recipient of the Carla Burns Memorial Scholarship.



**BAIRD BEARS, DISTRICT CHAMPIONS!** (SEATED) John Horner, Robert Gunn, Senior; Jeremy Riney; Shannon Campbell, Senior; Luke Horner; Kneeling: Jeremy Gonzales; Britt Johnson, Senior; Ryan Vestal, Logan Russell, Jim Jaggars, Senior; Standing: Coach Rob Londerholm, Jim Scott, Senior; Justin Rivera; Shane Devenport, Senior; David McLean, Senior; and Coach Ryan Lewis.

### BAIRD CITY COUNCIL FINDS NOT ALL IS FLOWING WELL WITH CALLAHAN COUNTY WATER DISTRICT

The Baird City Council met in regular session at 7:00 p.m. on May 19th, 1998 with Mayor Jon Hardwick presiding. Council members present were Brenda Mitchell, Rudy Rodriguez, Terry Hunter, Dale Brewer, Pat O'Brian and newly elected Harold Hass.

The Mayor called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and the minutes to the previous meetings were approved with a motion by Terry Hunter which was seconded by Brenda Mitchell.

During the time set aside for Citizens to be heard, Betty Henson and Patricia Duqua, two business owners on Market St. talked with the Council on what could and needed to be done to insure that buildings on Market St. that are in a delapidated state be

repaired. They inquired about the City Ordinances that deal with this problem, not only on Market St. but also all over Baird.

The Mayor explained that the City does have ordinances that address this problem and letters are sent when complaints are received at City Hall.

The Baird Municipal Judge, Don Burns, administered the Oath of Office to the newly elected Council members, Harold Hass and Brenda Mitchell and Mayor Jon Hardwick.

Rod Lewallen, representing the Baird

Development Corporation, met with the Council and presented the revised Tax Abatement application and Policy. He discussed and

explained the changes to the application and policy and the reasons why the Development Corp felt they were necessary at this time.

He also told the Council that they needed to decide whether they wanted the abatement to be transferable if the property is sold and there was still time left on the abatement.

A motion to table the approval of the revisions and on whether the abatement would be transferable was made by Rudy Rodriguez and seconded by Harold Hass. This motion was passed with all in favor.

Billy Jacobs and Darin Jennings representing Jacob and Martin Engineers met with the Council concerning the Abilene

Water Line to Baird and County Road 120 and 119.

Mr. Jacobs gave an update on the Abilene Water Line and presented a summary of project funds and payments. He also discussed the water

rates for the City and what the City will charge Callahan County Water District.

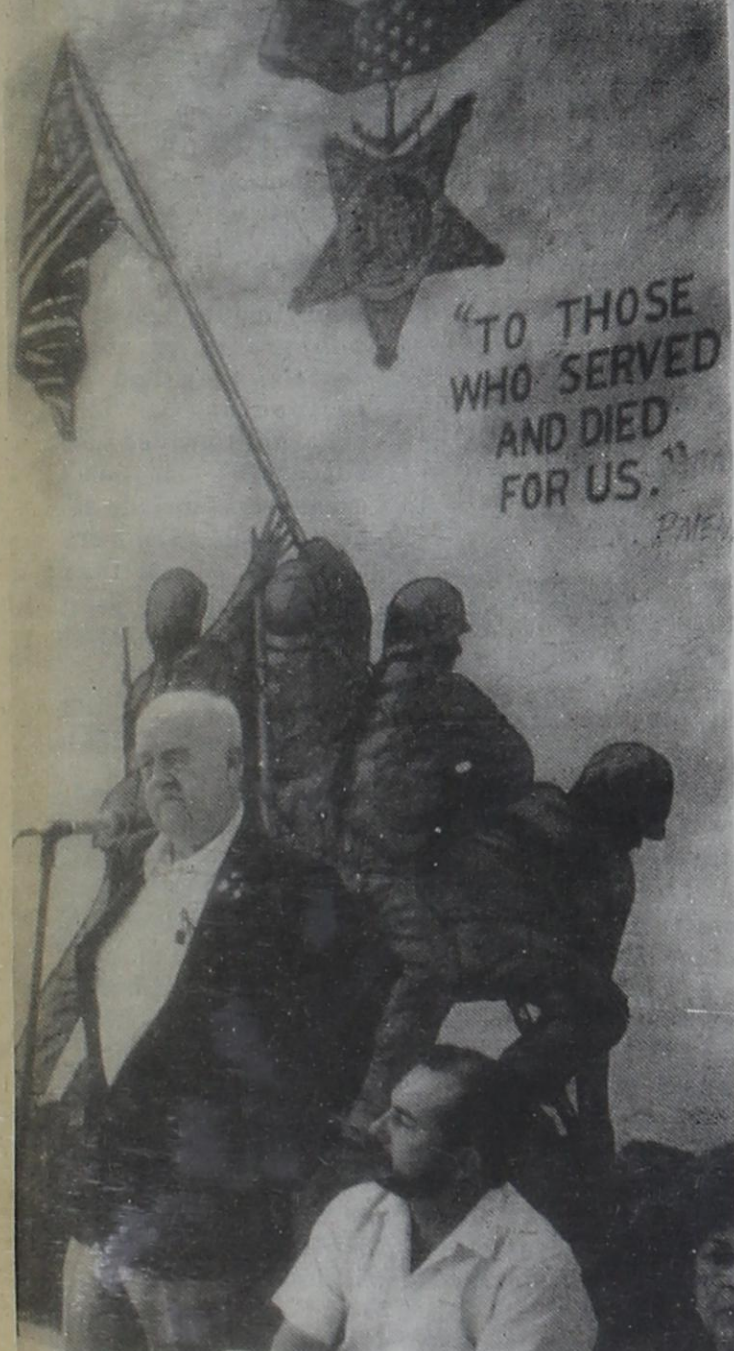
There was a lengthy discussion concerning the responsibility of the water line from the Hays Rd. to the Standpipe on Union Hill Rd. and why

Baird is not selling the water to CCWS for their customers that have meters off the line from Hays Rd. to Union Rd.

Mr. Jennings then updated the Council on the current status of the

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**FALLEN COMRADES REMEMBERED**  
World War II Hero, retired Marine Lt. John Keith Welles addressed the crowd gathered at the Baird American Legion Hall on Sunday at their Memorial Day Service. Welles led the most decorated platoon of the war into battle on Iwo Jima. It was members of Welles platoon that actually raised the American flag that is depicted in the picture on the wall behind Welles in the picture.

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**D.P.S. Report**

05-17-98 to 5-23-98  
CASES INVESTIGATED  
Warnings - 64  
Complaints - 104  
Disregard Police Officer - 2  
ACCIDENT  
There was 1 accident investigated.  
PEOPLE ARRESTED  
ONOUTSTANDING WARRANTS  
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89 Ford 4 Dr. Tempo, good condition. .... \$1495  
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**Courthouse News**

County Court House  
Judge Bill Johnson  
Presiding  
CRIMINAL DOCKET  
Jimmy Alvarez - speeding  
Van Afton Seymore - speeding  
John Delano Pointer III - DWI  
Jesse L. Gongora - DWI  
Robert Wilkerson Boykin - DWI  
John Scott Eagloski - DWI  
Darren Wade Hawley - DWI  
Amand Buster Drexler - Assault  
Todd Alan Smith - possession of marijuana  
Rober Dudley Podlovski - criminal mischief  
CRIMINAL MINUTES BOOK 4  
Mary L. Hollander - motion to dismiss DWI  
Raymond Roy - defered judgement and probation for Theft of Property by Check  
Gary Roland Deason - defered judgement and probation for assault  
Clyde Leon Smith - defered judgement and probation for assault  
Shawn Wade Prather - pleas of guilty for DWLS / sentenced  
Terry Vaughn - defered judgement and probation for assault

MARRIAGE LICENCES  
Jacob Wayne Milligan of Hampton, Ga. to Aimee Leigh Robicheaux of Griffin, Ga.  
Charles Wayne Vernon of Tuscola to Amanda Deann Starkey of Tuscola  
Joe Allen Tollett of

controversy concerning CR 120 and 119. He asked the Council how they wanted to handle this situation. Dale Brewer made the motion for the Contractor to do what was called for in the project specifications to repair CR 120 and 119.

Baird to Meagan Michelle Spinks of Baird  
42ND DISTRICT COURT JUDGE JOHN WEEKS PRESIDING  
CIVIL FILE DOCKET BOOK 14  
Life Sales Insurance Agency vs. Benny Holland - default on account  
Thomas Brewster vs. Rose Brewster - divorce  
State of Tex. vs. \$1, 1761.00 dollars - seizure and forfeiture  
First National Bank vs. Paul Brownlee - suit on note  
Joy Jenkins vs. Gary Jenkins - divorce  
Nita Sharlene Bruner vs. William Thomas Bruner and in the interest of Lindsey Rene Bruner and Jordan Rae Bruner, children - divorce  
CIVIL MINUTES  
Assignment of the Hon. Billy John Edwards to the 42nd District Court for May 18, 1998  
Kami Elizabeth Seal vs. Christopher Lane Seal and in the interest of Miranda Lynn Seal, a child - final divorce decree  
Jerilan G. Stallings vs. William Mark Stallings and in the interest of Ashley Joy Stallings, Laci Lea Stallings, Kole Kwert Stallings, and Levi Jade Stallings, minor children - a final divorce decree

This motion was passed with all in favor.  
The Council then reviewed all the applications to operate the City Swimming Pool for the summer. The motion was then made by Rudy Rodriguez and seconded by Brenda Mitchell to hire Kathi Russell to operate the City Pool for the summer of 1998. This motion was passed with all members in favor.  
The decision was made next to advertise for a Deputy City Marshall in the Abilene Reporter News and for Marshall Coley to interview the applicants and for the Deputy Marshall to be hired by the Council at a Special Called Meeting on June 2, 1998.  
Next Harld Hass was elected as Mayor Pro-Tem with the motion being made by Brenda Mitchell and seconded by Rudy Rodriguez. The motion was passed with all in favor.  
The financial statement and review of the current City bills was reviewed and approved with a motion by Pat O'Brian, which was seconded by Harold Hass. The motion passed with all in favor.  
There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:40 p.m.

**Chamber Calls Holds Survey**

The Baird Chamber of Commerce board members recently asked local business owners to complete a short questionnaire. Data obtained from these questionnaires will be used to compile a card file on local businesses. Information gathered may also be used in print advertising and other Baird promotional efforts.  
In you were not contacted and given an opportunity to complete a questionnaire, please contact the Chamber of Commerce. These forms must be completed and returned to the Chamber office no later than June 30. Don't be left out!

**Use The Classifieds TxDOT Gives Grant to Baird HS**

Baird High School was among 29 high schools in the Abilene District to receive a \$300 mini-grant from the Texas Department of Transportation for Project Graduation 1998. Other schools participating in the program in Callahan County were Clyde, Cross Plains, and Eula.

In addition to the grant, Brenda Mitchell, Abilene district traffic safety coordinator, visited each high school and presented the Project Graduation chairperson with key chains for each of the graduates who attended their high school event.

These mementos bare the slogan: "Zero Tolerance - Think. Don't Drink" T-shirts baring the same slogan wre also donated as door prizes.

"These graduation keepsakes are intended to be a reminder to the students to remain alcohol-free around prom and graduation time," Mitchell said.

Project Graduation was originally developed to assist rural schools with their celebrations and began in 1984 with only two schools. In 1989, the first year the department provided mini-grants to rural schools, they had 59 recipients. The program proved so successful, it was expanded to include all high schools. The more than 500 schools that participated last year effected 110,000 students.

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**Bass Club Report**

The ECBC (Eastland County Bass Club) will hold a team tournament June 20 at Lake Leon. Registration will be from 5:30 a.m. till 6:30 a.m. at the Chock-O-Block ramp. Fishing hours will be from 6:30 a.m. till 4:00 p.m. Weigh-in will be from 3:30 p.m. till 4:00 p.m.

For more information call Jerry McBeth, 254-442-3025; Butch Willingham, 254-442-3142; Bobby Rains, 254-442-3043.

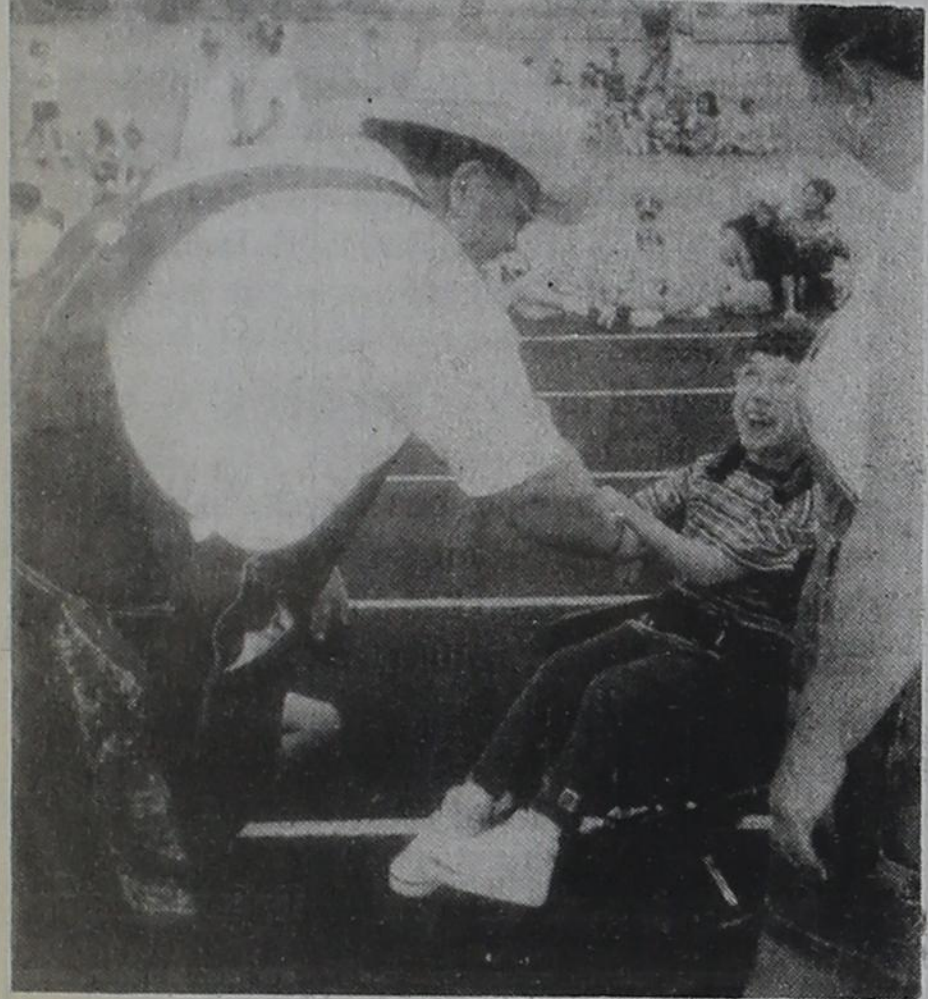
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Elementary students watch Mr. Riney milk the goat!

**Milking Gets Mr. Riney's Goat:**

Elementary school principal, Larry Riney, delighted his students by having to milk a goat before the whole student body. The Principal had promised the students that if they met their reading goal in their "Reading Renaissance-Wild West Olympics" that he would milk a goat. Instead of the 8,000 points they had to earn, the students earned 9,014!



Mr. Riney greets student Angie Sweeney

**Volunteers Shed Light on the Horned Lizard**

Austin- Texans' most believed reptile, the Texas Horned Lizard or "horny toad", is thriving in the western half of the state, but may be struggling in the eastern half, say the results of a citizen inventory effort conducted in 1997.

The first annual report of the Texas Horned Lizard Watch, a volunteer monitoring effort coordinated by Texas Parks and Wildlife Department, also reports that the likelihood of encountering a horny toad is significantly less where fire ants are present.

The results of the first year of the watch program confirm many people's personal experiences, as well as the results of a survey conducted by the Horned Lizard Conservation Society in 1992. The horny toad has essentially disappeared from the eastern third of Texas. In addition, many respondents reported that the horny toad was increasingly rare in Central Texas and the Lower Rio Grande Valley. Only in West Texas, the Panhandle, and the western portion of South Texas do populations seem to be somewhat stable. Results also showed that areas that had fire ants were less likely to have Texas Horned Lizards.

"This is exciting data," said Lee Ann Linam, coordinator for the watch program. "We started Texas Horned Lizard Watch believing that Texans cared about the horny toad and that they were capable of collecting data that would help us to better understand its status. That belief is already paying off."

Many causes have been proposed for the disappearance of the horny toad, including collection for the pet trade, changes in land use, fire ant invasion, and environmental contaminants.

According to Linam,

"This is the first set of data I know of that statistically supports a correlation between presence of fire ants and absence of Texas Horned Lizards. It does not prove that fire ants have caused the decline in horny toad populations, but what we learn from this and future years can help us target conservation efforts more effectively."

A total of 394 people in 154 counties scattered all across Texas requested information about Texas Horned Lizard Watch in 1997. Each potential participant was provided with information on horny lizards, instructions on survey techniques, data forms, and maps. A total of 61 people or teams returned their data sheets, indicating an effort to conduct a formal horny toad count on 98 different routes in 39 different counties. Of the 98 different routes for which results were reported, Texas Horned Lizards were seen on 49 (exactly 50%). Information was also gathered from a questionnaire sent to all persons who had requested survey materials.

Texas Horned Lizard Watch is part of a more extensive citizen watch program developed by the Endangered Resources Program of TPWD called Texas Nature Trackers (TNT). In its two-year inaugural period TNT has involved school groups and other citizen volunteers in monitoring 14 populations of rare species, including snails, salamanders, pocket gophers, and several rare plants, in addition to Texas Horned Lizards.

The approach of TNT, which is modeled after several national and international programs such as Monarch Watch and NatureMapping, is to link up citizens with populations of rare species in their area. Its goal is to foster local stewardship and conservation to en-

sure that species do not become threatened. Participation is strictly voluntary and surveys are conducted only on public property and the property of willing landowners.

For more information about Texas Nature Trackers, including how to participate in Texas Horned Lizard Watch, call the Endangered Resources Branch toll-free at 1-800-792-1112, dial zero and ask the operator for extension-7011.

**Callahan County Library News**

Well, school is out and I know that kids are ready for a break, but I would encourage everyone to join the Callahan County Library's Summer Reading Program. Kids can read books that they own, books from the school library, or books from the County Library. It doesn't even have to be books! It can be magazines or the newspaper. In fact, anything with words is fine. The summer reading program is sponsored by the Texas State Library & Archives Commission and the Callahan County Library.

On May 1st, twenty-eight 4th graders from Baird stopped by the museum on their outing and on the 22nd, fifty-one 4th graders from Cisco toured the museum. Cisco's kids came to Baird for their school field trip. (When I was in school here in Baird, we went to Cisco for our field trip! Makes you wonder where they will be going 30 years from now!)

Books added to the library in memory of Corinne Blackburn are: "Earthquake Terror" by P. Kehret, "Wilma Unlimited" by K. Krull, "Math



**Bambi Visits The Starr:** Bambi, a four day old orphaned deer visited our offices thanks to the thoughtfulness of Anita Mayes. Bambi's mother is believed to have been killed by a car. Bambi will be turned over to a licensed wild-life caretaker and eventually returned to a natural habitat.

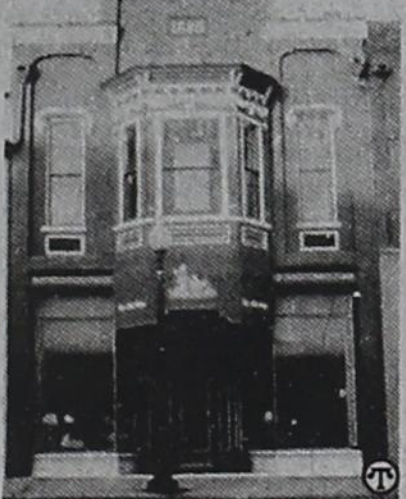
"Curse" by J. Scieszka, and in memory of Katy Lea Ivey: "Cloudy in the West" by Elmer Kelton. Other books that have been added are: "Secrecy" by B. Plain, "Special Delivery" by D. Steel, "Fat Tuesday" by S. Brown,

"Unnatural Exposure" by P. Cornwell, "The Maze" by C. Coulter, "M is for Malice" by S. Grafton. "Murder in the House" by M. Truman, and "Amethyst Dreams" by P. Whitney.

**TROPICAL SNO-CONES**  
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**AMERICA'S History**  
Facts from The National Trust for Historic Preservation  
**The Great American Main Street**

(NAPS)—Main streets across the country are getting uplifting news: Recognition for revitalizing their historic downtowns. Five communities have been selected as winners of the 1998 Great American Main Street Awards. Each winning community will receive a \$5,000 cash prize from a financial services firm, Edward Jones, to further revitalization efforts; a bronze plaque; road signs and a certificate.



The awards are cosponsored by Edward Jones and the National Trust for Historic Preservation's National Main Street Center.

**Olde York Street Fair:** Two hundred craft booths, six entertainment stages and more await the 50,000 people who attend this annual Mother's Day event in Downtown.

**Historic Preservation's National Main Street Center:** It's great to see America returning to Main Street and reinvesting in their communities," said National Trust President Richard Moe.

The winning Main Streets are in the following communities:  
• Lanesboro, Minnesota: By knocking on doors and holding town meetings, people in the community helped it revitalize. A historic depot was recreated and art exhibits draw thousands of visitors.

• Corning, Iowa: A mix of quality goods and services plus small-town hospitality lure shoppers from the metro areas. The town has created 74 new jobs.

This 1885 storefront has been beautifully restored as "The Gift Shop." One of the most photographed buildings in the state of Georgia.

• Morgantown, West Virginia: With thousands of college students, faculty and staff using the downtown, there is an energy that continues to fuel many projects such as riverfront development, business recruitment and a historic train depot rehabilitation.

• York, Pennsylvania: Public and private funds restored the historic Strand-Capitol Theater complex; commercial space and apartments filled some vacancies.

• Thomasville, Georgia: Over 22 million dollars in private and public funds have been invested, 151 new businesses have opened and 459 jobs have been created. The National Main Street Center, established in 1980 by the National Trust for Historic Preservation, helps communities of all sizes restructure their economies to help restore, rehabilitate and revitalize their historic resources.

For more information about this awards program, you can visit [www.mainst.org](http://www.mainst.org) on the Internet.

**News of Books**

**Dion Asks: Are You A Writer?**

(NAPS)—You don't have to be "A Teenager In Love" anymore to appreciate Dion. The rock 'n' roll legend now has a new book that shows that many people have more writing ability than they realize. The key is to try. Dion, whose hit songs of the late fifties and early sixties include "Run Around Sue" and "The Wanderer," says that most of us have not really thought about our own lives and the events that shaped us. Yet we each have a fascinating story to tell. Thanks to a delightful new book more of us will now be able to write the adventure of our lives. That book, *Chapters* (Health Communications, \$10.95) by the Rock 'n' Roll Hall of Fame musician, Dion DiMucci, actually gives readers the tools they need to write their own story. The new book is composed of thought-provoking questions divided into chapters based on life's stages. Questions are as simple as, "What kind of food did you like?" to the more serious such as, "If you had to live one day of your life over, which one would it be and why?" Working through these questions, readers are able to get in touch with long-forgotten memories and feelings and experience a vivid journey of self-realization and self-discovery. A fascinating gift book, *Chapters* can also be the perfect way to record the family history, making it a wonderful legacy for future generations. The book is available where books are sold or by calling 1-800-441-5569.

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## Volunteers Shed Light On Horned Lizard

Austin- Texans' most beloved reptile, the Texas Horned Lizard or "horny toad", is thriving in the western half of the state, but may be struggling in the eastern half, say the results of a citizen inventory effort conducted in 1997.

The first annual report of the Texas Horned Lizard Watch, a volunteer monitoring effort coordinated by Texas Parks and Wildlife Department, also reports that the likelihood of encountering a horny toad is significantly less where fire ants are present.

The results of the first year of the watch program confirm many people's personal experiences, as well as the results of a survey conducted by the Horned Lizard Conservation Society in 1992. The horny toad has essentially disappeared from the eastern third of Texas. In addition, many respondents reported that the horned lizard was increasingly rare in Central Texas and the Lower Rio Grande Valley. Only in West Texas, the Panhandle, and the western

portion of South Texas do populations seem to be somewhat stable. Results also showed that areas that had fire ants were less likely to have Texas Horned Lizards.

"This is exciting data," said Lee Ann Linam, coordinator for the watch program. "We started Texas Horned Lizard Watch believing that Texans cared about the horned lizard and that they were capable of collecting data that would help us to better understand its status. That belief is already paying off."

Many causes have been proposed for the disappearance of the horny toad, including collection for the pet trade, changes in land use, fire ant invasion, and environmental contaminants.

According to Linam, "This is the first set of data I know of that statistically supports a correlation between presence of fire ants and absence of Texas Horned Lizards. It does not prove that fire ants have caused the decline in horned lizard populations, but what we

learn from this and future years can help us target conservation efforts more effectively."

A total of 394 people in 154 counties scattered all across Texas requested information about Texas Horned Lizard Watch in 1997. Each potential participant was provided with information on horned lizards, instructions on survey techniques, data forms, and maps. A total of 61 people or teams returned their data sheets, indicating an effort to conduct a formal horned lizard count on 98 different routes in 39 different counties. Of the 98 different routes for which results were reported, Texas Horned Lizards were seen on 49 (exactly 50%). Information was also gathered from a questionnaire sent to all persons who had requested survey materials.

Texas Horned Lizard Watch is part of a more extensive citizen watch program developed by the Endangered Resources Program of TPWD called Texas Nature Trackers (TNT). In its two-year inaugural period TNT has involved school groups and other citizen volunteers in monitoring 14 populations of rare species, including snails, salamanders, pocket gophers, and several rare plants, in addition to Texas Horned Lizards.

The approach of TNT, which is modeled after several national and

international programs such as Monarch Watch and NatureMapping, is to link up citizens with populations of rare species in their area. Its goal is to foster local stewardship and conservation to ensure that species do not become threatened. Participation is strictly voluntary and surveys are conducted only on public property and the property of willing landowners.

For more information about Texas Nature Trackers, including how to participate in Texas Horned Lizard Watch, call the Endangered Re-

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The Cisco Junior College Wrangler Belles will hold an open audition at 1 p.m. on Sunday, May 31, 1998, in the CJC gymnasium. Students that are accepted into the performing group are recipients of an activity grant that ranges from \$1,000 to \$1,300 per year.

The Wrangler Belles actively promote the college through numerous appearances around the Big Country, year round. The organization provides training in professionalism, individual character, and self-esteem. In recent years, the group has traveled often, making appearances in Hawaii, England, New York, Washington, DC and

Mexico. The Cisco Junior College Band and Belles have recently accepted an invitation to perform in the Apple Blossom Festival in Winchester, VA, Washington, DC, in April of 1999. The last time the Band and Belles performed in this parade was 1989.

Girls who are unable to attend can make arrangements with the Wrangler Belle director for an individual audition or watch for the next audition, coming on Saturday, June 20, 1998. Please note that the Sunday, May 24, 1998 audition has been canceled. For more information, please contact Debbie Baker, Director of the Wrangler Belles, (254) 442-2567.

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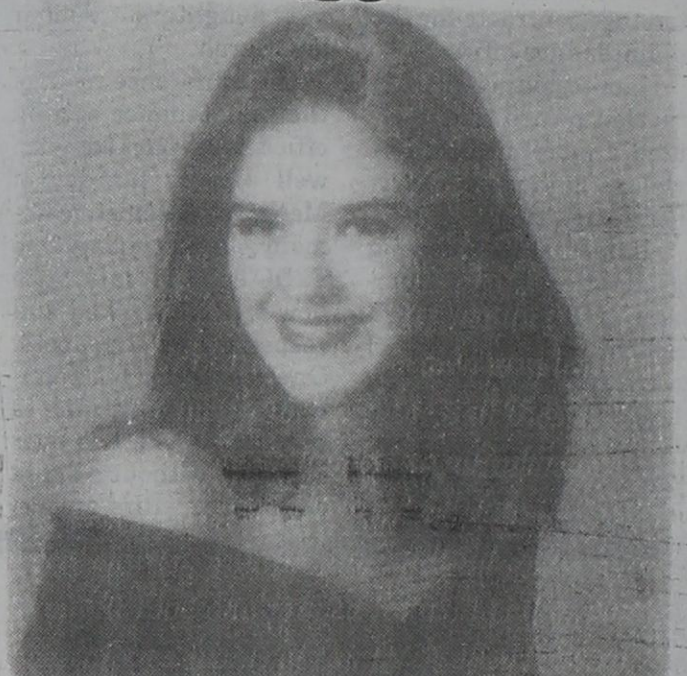
Larissa Swindle carries Randi's doll in the graduation procession



Card Of Thanks

The family of Randi Jo Witte would like to extend their gratitude to the area people and beyond for their thoughtfulness at the death of our loved one. "Thanks" to all who came to the hospital and waited with us; to the area church groups and individuals who brought food and prayed for us; to all of you who offered words of comfort, called, visited, and made arrangements to attend the service. "Thank you" also to all of you who sent the plants and beautiful flowers and to those of you who have made contributions to one of the scholarship accounts. Special thanks to the Baird ISD Board of Directors, faculty, and staff, the Baird High School graduating Class of '98, the Lady Bears '98 Golf Team, Rev. Ricky Carstensen, the Parker family, the Stephenson family, the Shelnett family, the Self family, and Mike Schuler.

Randall, Jo,  
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Randi Jo Witte, 17, a senior at Baird High School died Wednesday in an Abilene hospital from injuries received in an automobile accident. Services were held at 3 p.m. Saturday, May 23 in the Baird High School auditorium with an overflowing crowd in attendance. The services were directed by Parker Funeral Home. The body was cremated. Randi was born in Big Spring and was Baird High School Student Council President. She also played in the band, participated in UIL academic events, and was a member of Baird High School's 1998 State Championship Golf team. She was a member of the Beta Club. Survivors include her parents, Randall and Jo Witte of Baird, one brother, Jonathan Witte of Baird, her maternal grandparents, Austin B. and Mary Pyles of Quitman, and her paternal grandparents, Curtis and Alene Witte of Clyde. Memorials may be sent to the Randi Jo Witte Scholarship Fund, c/o First American Bank, 3409 S. 14th, Abilene, 79605.

Randi Witte's death this last week drew a somber tone over this small close knit community and especially over her fellow classmates, the graduating Seniors of 1998 at Baird High School. Her death having come only two days before their graduation ceremonies. The joviality and hopeful, care-free attitude which usually accompanies the memorable event of graduation was suddenly dashed and twisted into a jumble of disbelief, tears, grief, and questions. The school was quick to react with providing the students with counselors and ministers to talk with to assist them in dealing with their grief. On Friday night, May 22, the Graduation Ceremonies for the Baird Senior Class of 1998 did go ahead and took place as scheduled at the Baird High School Football Field, but not without changes—both externally

and internally. At this years ceremonies, the graduates not only wore their red mortarboard and gown, but each one also wore a small white ribbon and a picture pendent of their lost classmate. And, each graduate carried a red rose in her honor. Different from past graduation ceremonies, at this one a small white ribbon was presented to each audience member as they entered the football stadium, and in front of the speakers platform was a simple memorial made up of a trim of red roses and the photograph of a friend, now gone. This graduation was also different for the fact that Randi's stuffed "Peanut's Snoopy" dog, sporting his own red mortarboard and gown and "standing in" for her and carried by her friend, Larissa Swindle, lead in the procession of graduates as they entered the stadium. Different, too, would the

prayers that classmates Melanie Ivy and Chancy West would give. Different would be the speeches that her friends, Valedictorian Michael Parker, and Salutatorian Annie Gilliland would give. This graduation would be different in that as each graduate came forward to receive their diploma they would each pause to place the red rose that they were carrying into one of the vases that set just above the picture of their lost classmate. Different still would be the fact that when Randi Witte's name was called to receive her diploma five of her friends would be the ones coming forward to receive it on Randi's behalf. Different, too, that two generous community merchants show be presenting a new scholarship in the name of a young lady who should have been receiving scholarships instead of having

them named after her. Finally, different because this class has been made to grow a little faster than they might have wished. Mortality has touched them. They now know, better than most their age, that life is a gift that can disappear in an instant. The preciousness of life and the opportunities that lay out before them are now beheld with an extra measure of appreciation. But not all was changed at the graduation ceremonies, for life is, and youth is especially, resilient. There was joy at the graduation as each of the graduates took their turn to receive their own diploma. There were announcements about plans being made like marriages, and career paths, and colleges to be attended. There was Michael McCarty bravely making his way across the field to receive his diploma. His everyday challenges mirroring the life challenges that all the graduates will have to face—that the passing of their classmate had already caused to have to face. And still at the end of the ceremony, the graduating class of 1998 tossed their mortarboards high in the air in a show of exuberance that said, "Look out world, we are here and here we come!"

Annie Gilliland's Salutatorian Address

Hello. Thank you for coming and helping the class of 98 celebrate our big day. All of us have mixed emotions about the graduation—sad to see this part of our lives ending and excited to begin the next part of our journey through life. Here we are in our shiny red gowns with the traditional hats and tassels. The diplomas are stacked on the table giving proof of our accomplishments and also serving as a foundation for our future endeavors. Many of our class have older brothers and sisters who have been where we are tonight. Some of my clearest memories from when I was younger are the graduation ceremonies and the surrounding events when Kristy and Boone were finishing high school. It's a fun time of

year. School is out, big plans are being made for the summer, grandparents and cousins are here. This is an exciting celebration for our class. The ceremony highlights our preparation for the past 12 years. It's an important, happy moment. And, it's fun to reflect back over all the times that we have shared together and talk about our plans for the future. As we move on, we leave one of our lifelong friends behind. It saddens this celebration to have have Randi here as part of it. But her memory is present and will always be a part of each of us. She can't go on with us, but her memory can. And that will encourage us all to remember to live one day at a time keeping God, our family and friends at the center of our lives.

Michael Parker's Valictorian Address

This prestigious occasion marks our most significant and lasting day of change. Change is defined as giving a different position, course, or direction to. As we depart this place, we are to embark in many different directions. For some of us, these courses have already been laid. For others this course is yet to be carved out. It is how we embrace this difficult reality that will dictate our successes or failures. There are two questions that I pose to myself and to my fellow graduates regarding change. Should we attempt to hinder this inevitable process, or concede, and willingly accept the consequences? The second question is what goals should we aspire to achieve, and I ask you, which of these are truly important? I would now like to offer two conflicting perspectives of change. The first focuses on the experiences of my own life. As you all know, I removed myself from society for a period of three and a half years. During this time a once jovial childhood was darkened by the shadow of depression. Over the course of my absence, I was forced to confront my fears, and determine whether or not I desired these personal demons to control my very existence. With the assistance of my parents and a plentitude of caring individuals, I was able to enact a positive change in my own life. Without the open arms extended to me by the student body and faculty, I would not be speaking to you now. Does this not

show that change can be a fortunate event? The second perspective of change seems to vehemently oppose the first notion. The recent history of our world is not as pleasing to thought. The rise of brutality, immorality, and treachery illustrates a darker side of change. The tolerance of these inexcusable acts being taught to the future generation is of great detriment to our society and domestic tranquility as a whole. It is no longer healthy for the youth to be innocent, to be naive. In actuality, these qualities have become quite dangerous, and a possession of them makes you not the better man, but the weaker. Now, this example raises the question, "Is change destructive?" So, is change good or bad? Why is it that we must ask this question? Is change such a truly complex obstacle for us to maneuver around? Maybe it is because we question the reason why change is brought about. Why can't things just stay the same? Is change a necessity? Sometimes it is a choice of individuals to change themselves for their own evolution as a person. Those that are consumed with problems and seem to be going nowhere will try to change themselves in order to put their lives back on track. Yet sometimes change is forced upon us without our input. May times in life we encounter instances where we have little or no say in what changes we must undergo. It is at this point where we ques-

tion change and why we must deal with this troublesome issue. Should we fight change, or greet it with open arms? When I chose this topic I had an entirely different ending to his message. I wanted to stress my desire for each of us to attain fame, wealth, and secular prosperity. However, as of this past week the meaning of my message has changed—even for myself. The tragic loss of our dear friend and classmate Randi brought me a whole new perspective. She taught me many things that I unfortunately would not grow to understand until she was gone. I realize now what is truly important. The material things and worldly success we work for, are in reality, meaningless. In the end, none of these things are taken with you. It is essential to strive to be a kind and loving person, one who is considerate of other people. We must live each day as if there will be no tomorrow because this tragedy has shown us how unkind change can be. I charge each of us here tonight to be aware and not procrastinate. If there is anything that you do not have resolved in your life, do not say to yourself, "I'll do it later." Say that extra "I love you," or let someone know that you really care. After growing up with each one of these wonderful people my entire life, I know that they will all succeed. With hard work and determination, we can all accomplish whatever we want in life. What I would like

everyone to remember when they leave tonight is how precious life is, and how we must live it to the fullest. I know that is what Randi did, and would want us all to do. \*\*\*\*\*

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**McNeil Honored at Farewell Reception:** Bobbie McNeil, center, was honored recently with a retirement reception. Pictured with him are Marvin Rogers, Callahan county maintenance supervisor and McNeil's wife, Sue.

## Robbie McNeil Honored by TxDOT

Bobbie L. McNeil, contract inspector for the Callahan county maintenance section of the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT), retired recently following a 12 year career.

McNeil, who spent his entire TxDOT career at the Callahan maintenance section, began working for the department in 1986 as a maintenance technician. In 1992, he took over the responsibility of both the I-20 rest area and inspecting maintenance contracts for the maintenance office.

Prior to joining TxDOT, McNeil owned and operated a motel in Baird as well as managing a service station there.

Immediately following graduation from Miltonvale (Kansas) High School in 1951, McNeil went to work for the United States government. Working out of Washington D.C. for the National Coast and Geodetic

Survey organization, he traveled extensively throughout the United States on a survey crew. It was on an assignment around Cisco that McNeil met his future bride, the former Sue Roady of Cross Plains, Texas.

This handsome couple have two children and six grandchildren. Their daughter, Bobbie Sue Holden of Abilene, has four children: Chuck, Josh, Matthew and Becca. The McNeil's son, Joe, and his wife, Stephanie, have two daughters: Amber and Sarah.

The conference room of the maintenance section office was packed with well wishers the day of McNeil's retirement ceremony. A testimony, one TxDOT official said, as to how well he is liked and respected by his peers. One reason for his popularity, one friend said, is because no one has ever seen Bob without a smile on his face. He's always

happy.

And that's exactly what McNeil said when asked about his time with TxDOT. "I've had twelve good and happy years here and have made many, many friends."

"This might be a happy day for McNeil," Marvin Rogers, section supervisor said, "but not for the maintenance section. He was such a good and dependable employee, we all hate to see him leave us. McNeil possesses an infectious positive attitude, making him a real morale booster for the section. He'll be missed by everyone."

Officers workers had decorated the conference room in a "Gone Fishing" motif to set the stage of McNeil's retirement. As he said himself, he and his wife plan to spend a lot of their free time traveling around to different lakes in their travel trailer fishing and relaxing.

In addition to fishing,

## Chamber of Commerce Adopts a Highway

To show pride in our community, the Baird Chamber of Commerce is now participating in the "Adopt A Highway" program. We will pick up trash along side Highway 283 starting at Cherry Street and going northward for 2 miles.

Our first workday is set for this coming Saturday, May 30. We will meet in front of the Depot at 7:30 a.m. ALL VOLUNTEERS ARE WELCOMED!

## Baird HS Baseball Team Vies for Area Today

Today, May 28, at 4 p.m. the Baird Bears Baseball team will face off against Rotan in Area competition. The game will take place at the Abilene High School baseball diamond.

The Bears defeated Bryson on May 22 in a Bi-District competition by a score of 9-1. With their win, the Bears advance to the Area round of competition in their march to State. Everyone is encouraged to come support our team on to victory! Admission at the gate is \$3.00 for adults, \$2.00 for students.



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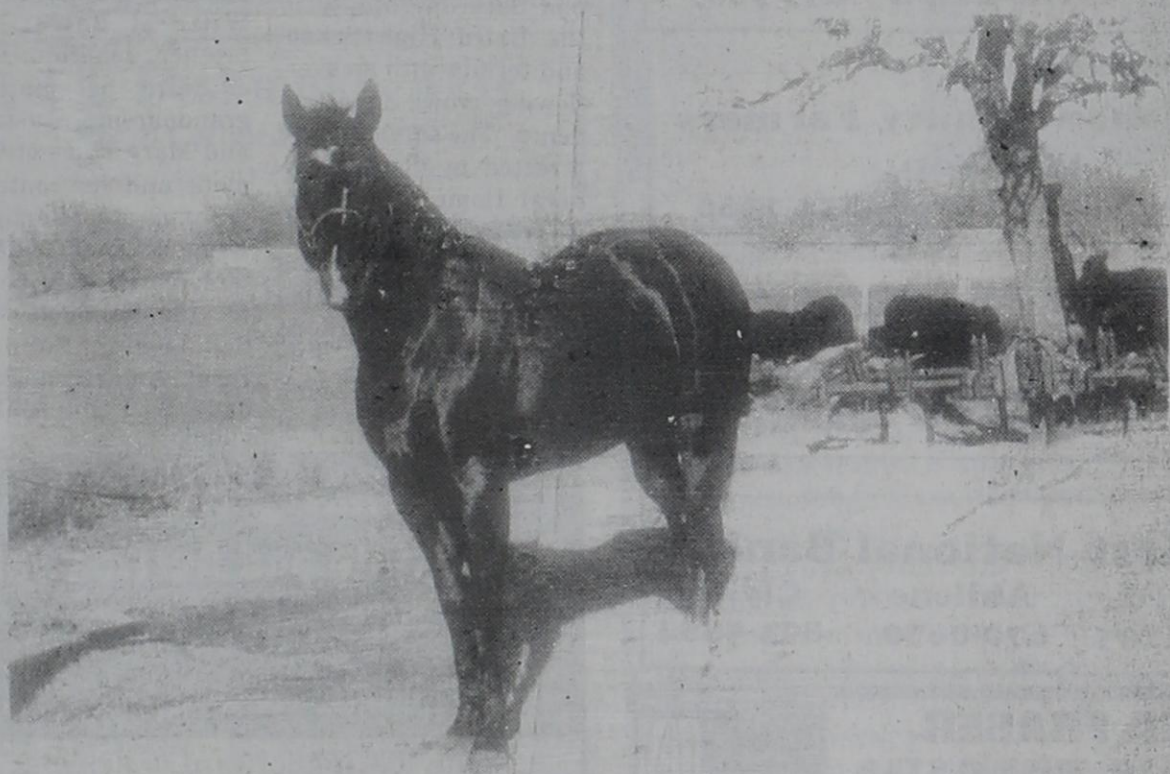
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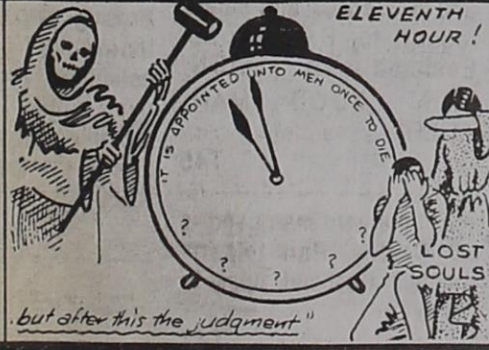
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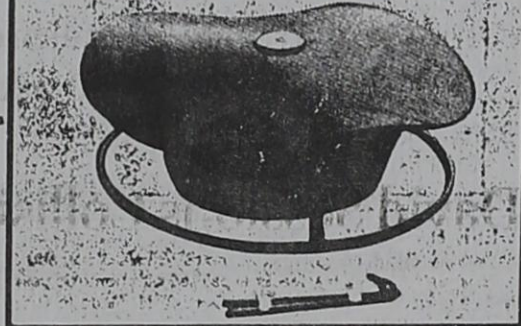
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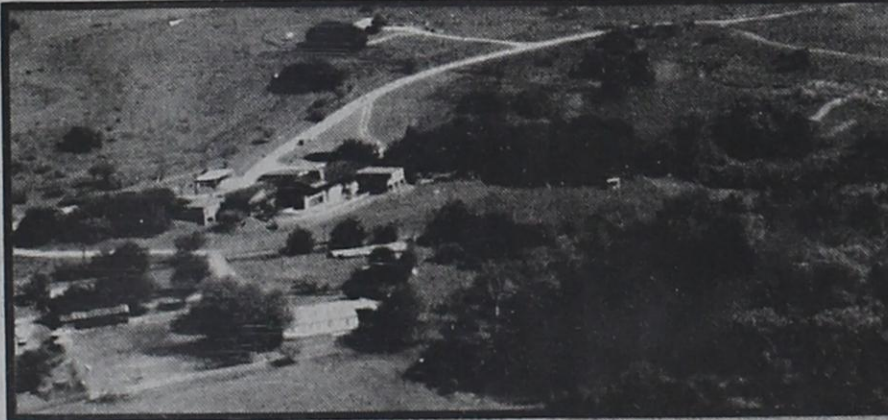
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**GRAPE AND NAPA CABBAGE STIR-FRY**

- 1 cup vertically sliced onion
- 1 tablespoon olive oil
- 4 cups Napa cabbage, cut into 1/2-inch slices
- 2 cups halved California seedless grapes
- 4 dried shiitake mushrooms, rehydrated and cut into 1/2-inch slices
- 2 tablespoons chopped fresh basil\*
- Salt and pepper to taste
- 1/4 cup water

**1 teaspoon cornstarch**  
Sauté onion in oil until tender. Add cabbage, grapes, mushrooms, basil, salt and pepper and stir-fry until cabbage is crisp-tender. Combine water and cornstarch; mix well and add to grape mixture. Stir-fry about 1 minute or until sauce thickens. Makes 4 servings.

\* Two teaspoons dried basil may be substituted.

**PISTACHIO PASTA**

- 8 ounces spaghetti
- 1/4 cup chopped onion
- 2 tablespoons olive oil or butter
- 1/2 cup coarsely chopped shelled natural California pistachios
- 1/4 cup chopped ripe olives
- 1/4 cup minced parsley
- 1 teaspoon lemon juice
- 1/8 teaspoon dried basil, crushed
- 1/8 teaspoon freshly ground black pepper
- 1/3 cup grated Parmigiano Reggiano cheese (Parmesan)

Cook spaghetti according to package direction, until tender.

Meanwhile sauté onion in oil until tender. Add pistachios, olives, parsley, lemon juice, basil, black pepper and cooked spaghetti. Toss together and heat 2 minutes. Place in serving dish and toss with Parmigiano Reggiano cheese. Makes about 6 side dish or appetizer servings.

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**Home Tips**

**LOOKING GOOD**

If you're going into the hospital, before you go, buy one or two really comfortable outfits that don't look like sleepwear. While you're recuperating at home, you'll look and feel better in an attractive outfit than if you lounged around in your nightclothes all day.

**GET PINNED** — If you tend to lose pretty pins because they do not close properly, use a pierced-ear ring back on the pin before closing on your clothes. I've saved many of my turtle pin collection this way.

**MISSING SOCK** — Here is another suggestion for keeping socks from getting "lost" in the wash.

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great for many jobs.

When you want to use the broom, just roll up the leg part. Kathy V., Waynesboro, Pa.

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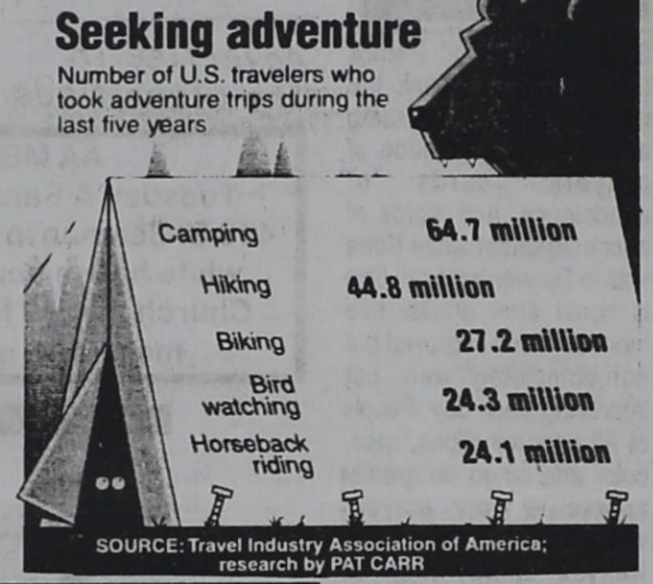
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**Eastland Farm & Ranch Celebrates 10th Anniversary!**

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**What Else Happened In 1988?**

Vice President George Herbert Walker Bush at age 64, won the U.S. Presidential election with 53% of the popular vote, defeating Massachusetts' Governor Michael Dukakis. Bush is the first sitting Vice President to win the election since the year 1836.

Philip Morris bought Kraft for \$13.1 billion and Kohlberg Kravis Roberts & Co., paid \$24.9 billion for RJR-Nabisco, in the largest leverage buy out in history.

Yes, when you think about it, things have changed a lot in 10 years. But, after all this time there are some things which have remained the same... some things which, fortunately, haven't fallen by the wayside.

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**HIGHLIGHTS**  
By Lyndell Williams & Ed Sterling  
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**AUSTIN**—Attorney General Dan Morales met with tobacco industry attorneys in New York and emerged saying that Texas could receive \$2 billion more than the \$15.3 billion settlement it already has with cigarette makers.

Morales said last week a deal for more money could be reached within two weeks, and that the extra money should put an end to the issue of how much private lawyers will be paid by the state for their role in the settlement.

The renegotiations are made possible by a clause in the previous settlement that allows Texas to claim better benefits based on subsequent settlements by other states.

"We believe that a minimum of \$2 billion is what is called for in the application of the Minnesota agreement to the Texas agreement," Morales said. Minnesota's settlement of \$6.1 billion is more on a per capita basis than the Texas settlement.

Unlike Texas, Minnesota left its private lawyers to deal directly with the tobacco industry on their fees. Texas' private lawyers were to receive 15 percent of the original settlement, or \$2.3 billion. But Gov. George W. Bush called the fees excessive and sued to reduce them.

**Texas Joins Missing Kids Network**  
Texas last week became the second state to join Missing Kids 100,000 — a national database that

carries pictures of missing children on the Internet. The program allows local law enforcement personnel to "upload" pictures of the missing children to the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children site on the Internet, helping to speed search efforts.

Gov. Bush called the system a "real-time, all-point bulletin that can be accessed by anyone with a (personal computer) anywhere in the world."

The site's address is: <http://www.missingkids.com>  
Ernie Allen, president of the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children, said he hopes to add 20 more states to the database by the end of the year. Nevada was the first state to join.

**Court Open Records Policy Drafted**  
The Texas Judicial Council's committee on court records met in Dallas last week to present a draft of a new policy that would increase public access to court records.

Last fall, Tom Phillips, chief justice of the Texas Supreme Court, ordered the committee to draft an open-records policy. Phillips' action came after he was criticized for overruling an opinion by Attorney General Dan Morales that state judge's telephone records should not be closed to the public.

The draft defines "public record," tells how much courts can charge for copies of public records and explains how citizens can appeal if a court rejects a request for information.

According to the draft, judicial notes, personnel information and complaints against judges would still be privileged and unavailable to the public.

A final draft of the proposed policy must be approved by the Texas Supreme Court and voted on by the Texas Legislature.

**Other Capital Highlights**  
State District Judge John Dietz last week refused to order the Texas Department of Public Safety to cease its raids on the operators of "8-line" casino-style gambling machines. The

Texas Department of Veterans of Foreign Wars had asked Dietz to order the DPS to stop confiscating the machines declared illegal by Attorney General Morales.

In 1997, the Texas Legislature approved up to \$4 million in revenue bonds for the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department to make state parks more accessible to people with disabilities. But Texas officials say it would cost \$20 million to bring state parks into compliance with the Americans With Disabilities Act.

Kansas investor George Ablah has purchased for \$10 million a huge office building and laboratory building and 52 acres of land on the site of the defunct Superconducting Super Collider project near Waxahachie. The Texas General Land Office handled and announced the sale.

In its review of the Texas Department of Criminal Justice, the Sunset Advisory Commission last week released a report saying services for crime victims, which are divided among six state agencies, should be coordinated and inmates should receive training for real-world jobs.

Gov. Bush last week asked Attorney General Morales to seek a federal court order to shut down slot machines run by the Tigua Indian tribe at its Speaking Rock casino in El Paso. Bush also asked the U.S. attorney's office to consider action against the Lucky Eagle Casino operated by the Kickapoos in Eagle Pass.

GEICO, Texas' fifth-largest insurance company, is following suit with other auto insurers. Last week, it agreed to cut auto insurance premiums by 5.6 percent for its 225,000 policyholders in the state. The rates go into effect for new policies on June 15 and for renewals on Aug. 1.

The town of Jarrell received adequate warning before deadly tornadoes struck on May 27, 1997, according to a report by the National Weather Service. But the report reveals technical difficulties and staff management problems at the New Braunfels weather service office that serves 33 counties.

**Moran News**

By Mrs. Luke Huskey

The flags were flown in Moran Monday in observance of Memorial Day. This is a project of the American Legion Auxiliary members, to fly the flags on holidays.

Have you noticed the park that is being built at the corner of Ground and Fisher Streets in downtown Moran. With the flower beds, flowers blooming, it is a place of beauty and is very much admired. This park is being sponsored by the Morgan Clean and Proud Committee members.

Sarah and JoAnna Hawkins of San Antonio spent the weekend with their grandmother, Dorothy Tollefson.

A large crowd attended the Memorial Day Service at the American Legion Hall in Moran Monday. The Post Commander, James Harrell Smith, was master of ceremonies. Betty Nichols, auxiliary president and Dub Midkiff raised the flag for the service, and those present repeated the pledge to the flag. Marvin Kays gave the opening prayer and he also read the names of the veterans who are buried in the Dennis, Johnson and Moran Cemeteries, giving the War that

each was in. Betty Nichols gave a reading, and announced the death of Fairy Brooks Thompson, who was a member of the local auxiliary. Mary Edwards made an announcement.

The Confederate Fly Over was under the direction of Allen Bennett, a former resident of Moran. Marvin Kays gave the closing prayer. James Harrell welcomed those present for coming.

Refreshments were served following the service by the members of the auxiliary members.

The members of the American Legion and Auxiliary enjoyed a fish supper last Monday night with the members of the American Legion. The supper was furnished by the Legionnaires.

The president, Betty Nichols, called the meeting to order. Mae Delle Jones gave the opening prayer. The pledge to the flag was

given, and the Preamble to the Constitution was repeated by the group. Brenda Butler read the minutes of the last meeting. Mary Edwards gave the treasurer's report. Mildred Smith reported on the poppy fund and the membership. Various items were discussed, including the Division Convention to be held in Kerrville and the state convention to be held in Corpus Christi. All correspondence was acknowledged.

Officers were elected for the new year. Those elected were Betty Nichols, president; Elma May Huskey, first vice president; Delores Midkiff, second vice president; Brenda Butler, secretary; Mary Edwards, treasurer; Mae Delle Jones, chaplain; Lucille Forbess, historian; Dorothy Tollefson, Sergeant of Arms and Mildred Smith, Poppy and Membership Chairman.

The members sold Memorial Day Poppies in Moran on Friday, May 23, and at Albany and Clyde on Saturday, May 24.

The Auxiliary members and Legionnaires had a Memorial Day program on Monday, May 25, at the American Legion Hall.

Dub and Dolores Midkiff attended Dolores' daughter, Debby Ginvey's graduation from R.N. Nursing School May 15 in San Angelo. There were 133 nurses and over five, altogether that graduated that night.

Dean Tollefson of San Angelo spent the holidays with his mother, Dorothy Tollefson.



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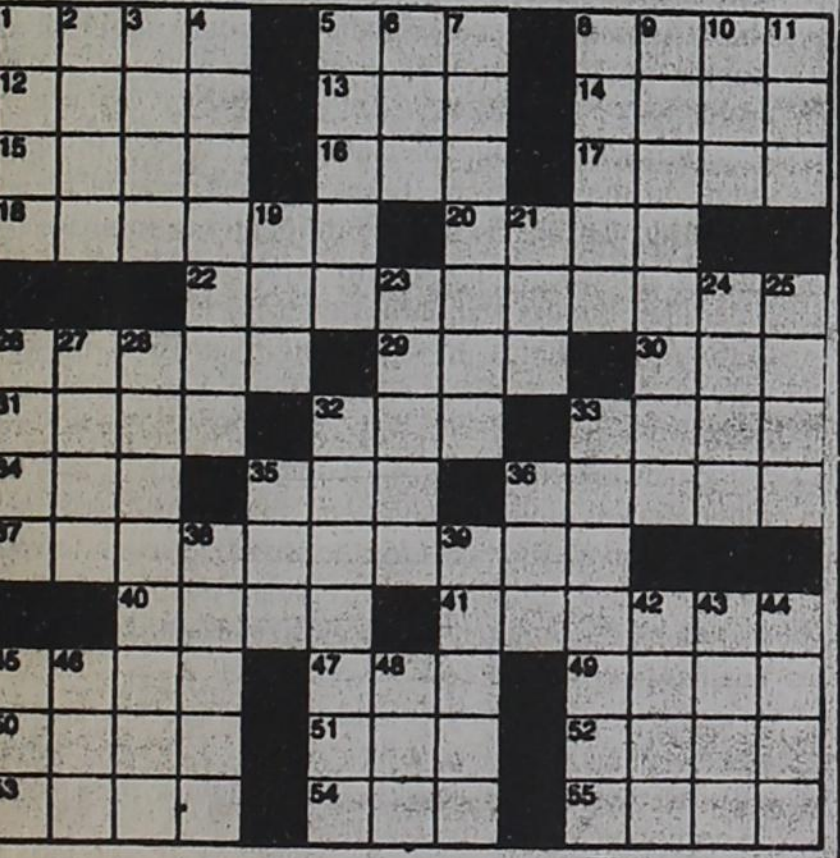
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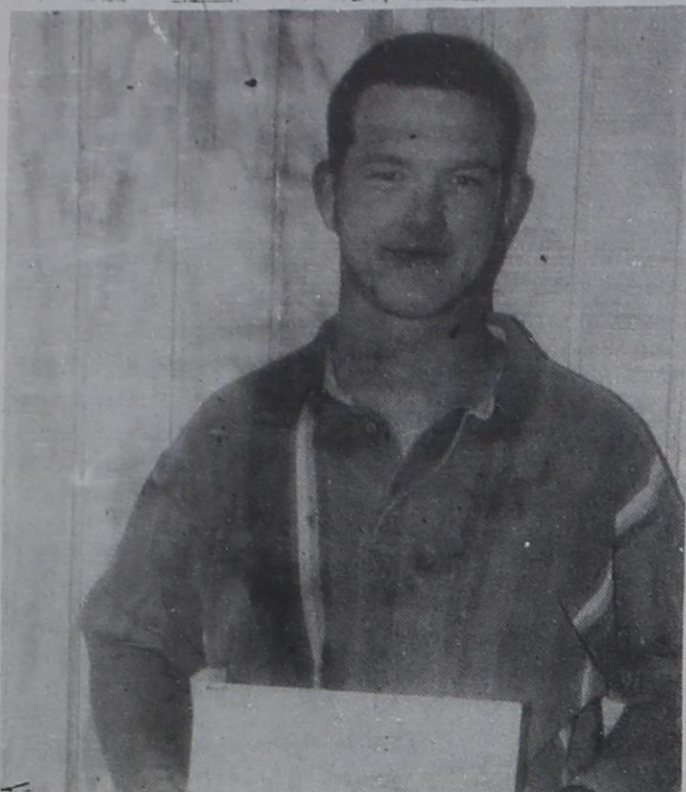
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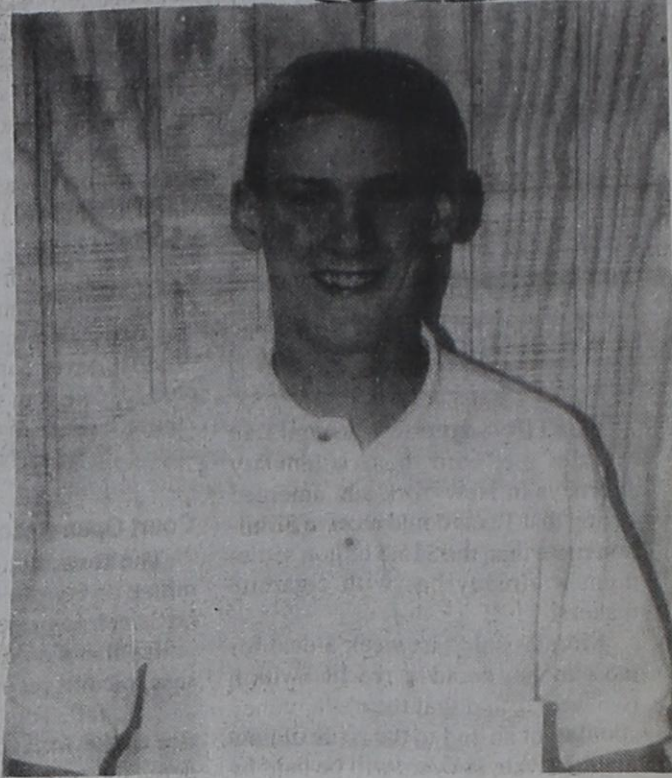
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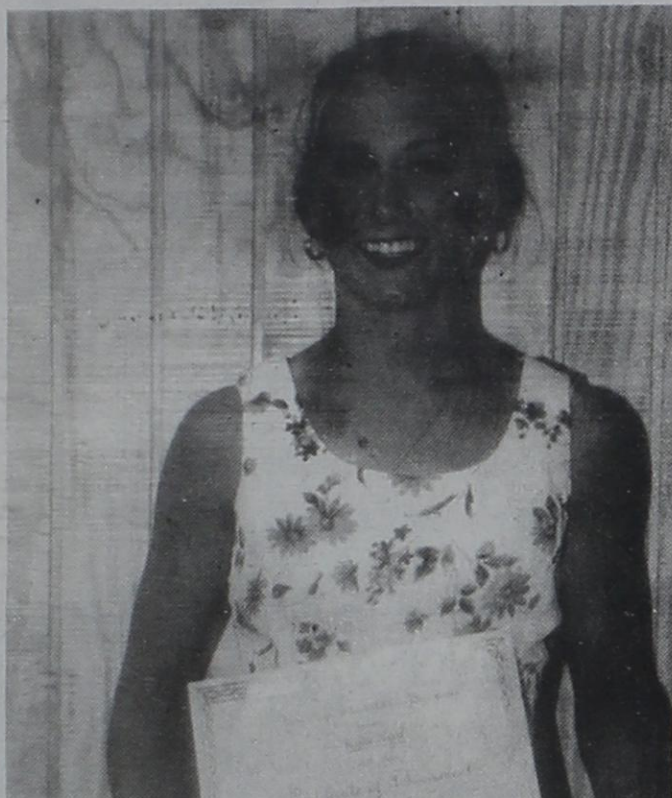
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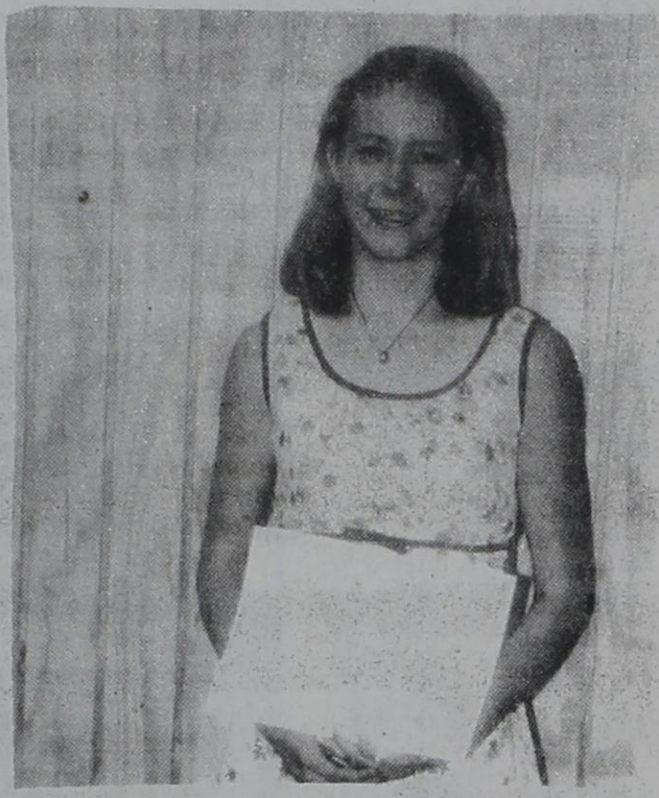
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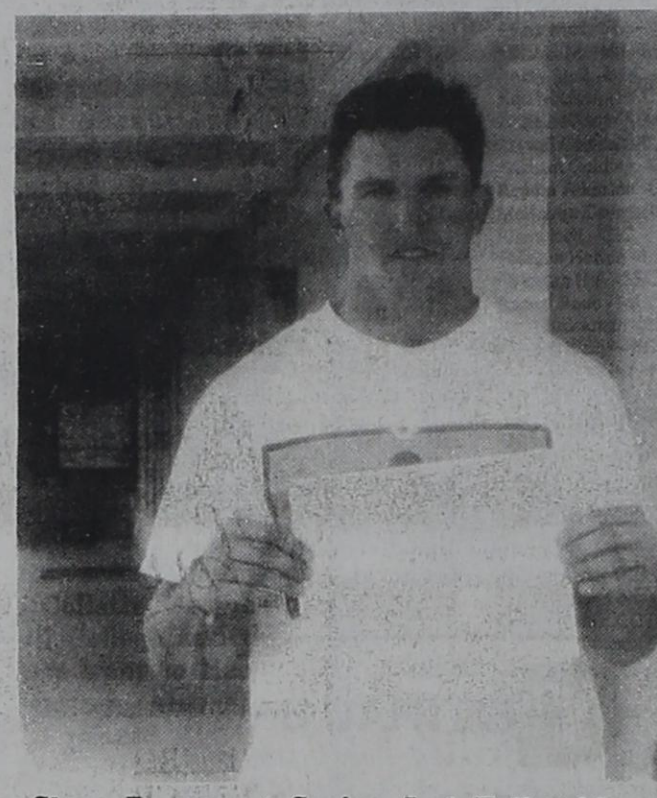
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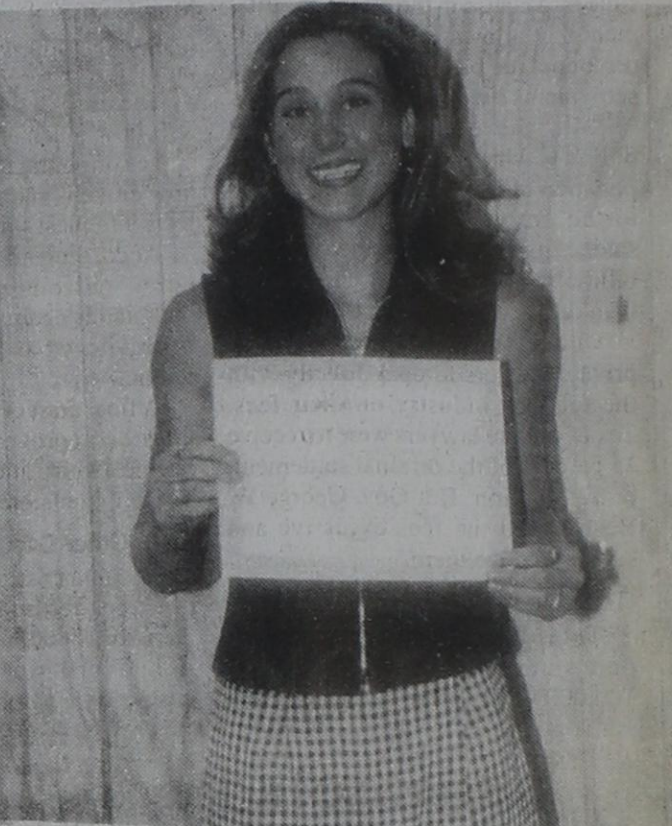
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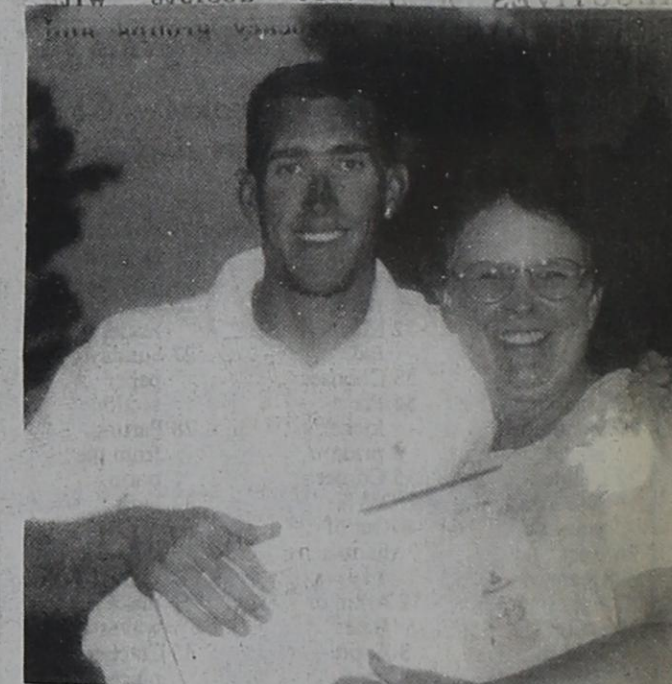
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It used to be the traditional snack of every Texas child. Milk and cookies were a staple either in the afternoon or just before bedtime. While our children may still be getting that plate of cookies, good wholesome milk isn't always making it into the glass along side. And that's a shame for more than one reason.

According to a U.S. Department of Agriculture survey, an astounding nine out of ten girls and seven out of ten boys do not get the proper daily amount of calcium in their diets. Of course, one easy way to get that calcium in their bodies is milk. The same survey also found that teens now drink more soft drinks in a year than milk.

This lack of calcium will only result in problems later in their adult life such as osteoporosis. It's up to parents to encourage our children to seek out dairy products high in calcium whether they be flavored milk in cartons, cheese or yogurt.

Join them in a snack of milk and cookies. And when you raise your glass to say, "Here's to your health," if it's milk in the glass you'll know that it's a fact.

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U.S. SENATOR  
KAY BAILEY HUTCHISON

### SMOKE FROM SOUTH OF THE BORDER CLOUDS AIR OVER TEXAS

I went home to LaMarque for Mother's Day. As much as I enjoyed the visit with my mother, I was shocked at the air quality on the Gulf Coast. Visibility in Houston was horrible from a smoky haze hanging over the city.

It was the worst I've seen in the area where I grew up and spent the first 30 years of my life.

By now you've probably heard why this is happening. Smoke from agricultural and forest fires raging in Mexico and Central America has been wafted north across the gulf by prevailing winds. Dry conditions in Mexico have driven out of control the annual fires set to burn the remains of last year's crops and clear forest areas for more planting.

The smoke has created a public health alert in Texas, the first of its kind in recent history. A public health advisory has been issued for 51 Texas counties, including the cities of Houston, Victoria, Corpus Christi, Kingsville, Brownsville and Laredo. The National Weather Service is predicting that conditions are worsening for the cities of Austin and San Antonio. Haze can be seen in the air over Fort Worth and Wichita Falls.

The first priority of government in this situation has to be trying to stop the fires, and ensuring that Texans are aware of the health risks the smoke may cause and what precautions they can take to avoid problems.

These conditions are especially bad for the young, the

ailing and the elderly. In fact, local schools have canceled all outdoor activities.

In the meantime, I and other members of the Texas congressional delegation are taking steps to see that our state doesn't suffer doubly from the increased air pollution. I have written a letter asking the Environmental Protection Agency not to sanction Texas because of these air quality problems.

I am acutely concerned about the effect of this natural event on the ability of Texas to meet federal clean air standards. Texas has worked diligently to improve its air quality greatly. San Antonio now complies fully with federal air quality standards under the Clean Air Act, but without the relief I am requesting from EPA, these fires may result in the EPA reclassifying San Antonio's air quality.

Such a reclassification would mean that EPA could mandate additional regulations that could have severe economic consequences for the area. These could include stringent new regulations on vehicles, business and industry, such as mandatory carpooling and denying permits for business expansion.

Our communities — and their economies — should not be punished for a situation they can do nothing to alleviate when they've worked so hard for so long to remain in compliance with the law.

I have asked EPA Administrator Carol Browner, specifically, that any poor air quality due to the fires not be used to determine whether Texas cities are achieving the standards set under the Clean Air Act.

In addition, I have asked the White House to extend all possible emergency assistance to the Mexican government for its efforts to extinguish the fires. Mexico has been working feverishly to put out the fires, but has been hampered by drought and weather conditions.

The only way to lick this problem will be through cooperation: cooperation between Texas and the federal agencies involved, and cooperation between the United States and Mexico. I am working to see that these efforts begin swiftly, are carried out smoothly, and that these fires do not have lasting consequences.

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# Obituaries

## HANNAH GRACE CUMMINGS

Hannah Grace Cummings, infant daughter of Ralph and Pam Cummings passed away at 7:13 p.m., Wednesday, May 20, at Abilene Regional Hospital. A private graveside service was held on Sunday, May 24, at 2 p.m. at the Admiral Cemetery with the Rev. Joe Coppinger officiating. Services were directed by Parker

### Funeral Home.

She is survived by her parents; her grandparents, Orval and Cheryl Rotan of Valley Mills, Tx., and Dolly Larrison of Abilene.

Memorials may be made to the Admiral Cemetery Association, c/o The 1st National Bank of Baird.

## J. T. CROSS MARION WEBB CROSS

J.T. Cross, 79, and his wife, Marion Webb Cross, 67, died on Wednesday, May 20, in an auto accident in Eastland County. Graveside services were at 1 p.m. Saturday, May 23, in the Cross Plains

by three daughters, Laura Henry Yuca Valley, Ca.; Lisa Baldwin of Lake Arrowhead, Ca.; and Kayla Hunter of Covina, Ca.; one brother, Frank Cross of Wimberly, Tx; one sister, Billie Jean Calhoun Buck of Midland; four grandchildren; two great-grandchildren and many nieces and nephews.

Mrs. Cross is survived by her mother, Bessie Webb of Anaheim, Ca.; one sister, Betty Phillips of Garden Grove, Ca.; three stepdaughters, four step grandchildren, two step great-grandchildren and four nephews.

Cemetery with the Rev. Donald Duke officiating, directed by Higginbotham Funeral Home.

Mr. Cross, a retired milk pumper, was born in Cross Plains, and served in World War II. Mrs. Cross, a beautician, was born in Oklahoma. The couple was married in California in 1975. Both were Methodists.

Mr. Cross is survived

## Robert Howard Day Planned In Cross Plains Une 12-13

Fans from near and far are expected to gather in Cross Plains on Friday and Sunday, June 12 and 13, to visit and remember Robert E. Howard, fantasy writer and creator of the character Conan the Barbarian, who lived in Cross Plains from 1919 until his death in 1936.

Most of his writing was done here in the home now owned and maintained by Project Pride.

Beginning at 1:00 p.m. on Friday, there will be a trip to Brownwood to the cemetery where the Howard are buried.

From 2:00 to 5:00 p.m., Howard manuscripts and first edition copies of his books will be on display at the Cross Plains Library on Maint Street.

At 6:00 p.m., a group will meet for dinner at Collum's Restaurant. Following dinner, the movie, THE WHOLE

WIDE WORLD, will be shown at the library. The movie is based upon Noviline Prices' book about Howard.

At 9:30 a.m. on Saturday, guests are invited for coffee and sweet rolls at the Howard House. At 10:00 a.m., books and manuscripts and, once more, the movie will be offered at the Library.

Any guests who were unable to make the Friday trip to Brownwood, may join a second group at 10:00 a.m. on Saturday.

At 2:30 p.m. on Saturday, the Howard House will again be open to the public for tours, visiting and for refreshments. A special postal cancellation honoring Howard will be offered at the Post Office during this time.

For more information about the events, you may contact Ms. Billie Ruth Loving in Cross Plains. Space is limited for some activities.

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## A Putnam Ideal

By Doran Cline

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G&H in Eastland are known to me as merchants who care what you purchase for a healthful garden and lawn. Just ask your retailer for the Natural and Organic ways of safe gardening, etc.

Bee season is here! The toxics and chemicals apparently have some of the swarms seeking a safe haven as I've had two swarms coming and settling down in O' hives of mine. I'm proud to as the fruit trees I have as well as flowers and veggies need their pollination abilities. Nature has a good way of reproducing things we want and need for milk and honey here on earth as it is in Heaven.

The product "Norc" a is carbon product that latches on toxics until they decompose. Organics is wonderful and helpful in every facet; even if you have used the harsh chemicals. Sugar and a good organic fertilizer can get the soil back to a safe and healthful state.

Out of water, gotta sell 3 fat goats and lots of chickens. Call 915-662-3221.



While macrame (decorative knotting of cord, rope or string) dates back to about the 1200s, the actual word wasn't used until about the 1400s.

## Texas Runaway Hotline 1-800-392-3352

## JEFF L. DAY RECOGNIZED

The National Register's WHO'S WHO IN EXECUTIVES AND PROFESSIONALS recently approved Jeff L. Day, CEO of Sunbelt Health Management for inclusion in the 1998-99 edition.

The intent of the National Register's WHO'S WHO is to recognize worthy individuals who have reached a level of recognizable success in their respective field.

Mr. Day is a 1981 graduate of Baird High School. He began his foray into the medical field in 1983 at the Abilene State School and went from there to the West Texas Rehab Center and later to Sunbelt Health Management.

He came on with Sunbelt as a Rehab Technology Specialist and worked his way through Operations Manager, then V.P. and Director of Special Technologies, and progressed to President of the Corporation and later was named the CEO of Sunbelt Health Management.

Mr. Day now serves as CEO of the Corporation and President of the Board of Directors.

Jeff has served in several different capacities for various

panels and councils concerned with persons with disabilities. He also assists with advocacy groups and support groups.

Mr. Day lectures at different colleges and universities regarding issues in the health field. Locally, Mr. Day lectures at Hardin Simmons University in the Physical Therapy program. He speaks about technologies available and methodologies utilized for proper therapeutic positioning in the wheelchair.

Mr. Day is a Certified Rehab Technology Specialist, and also a Certified Assistive Technology Specialist. His company provides everything from Oxygen and Diabetic supplies to Power Wheelchairs and Electric Scooters.

They also specialize in vehicle conversions including wheelchair and scooter lifts and drivers hand controls.

They are a major supplier for man area Nursing Facilities and hospitals.

Sunbelt Medical is an extremely diverse corporation assisting with any and all types of medical equipment and supplies. They also have the only full service repair shop in the area.

## MILITARY NEWS

## VELASQUEZ

Josue E. Velasquez has joined the United State Army under the Delayed Entry Program at the U.S. Army Recruiting Station, Abilene, Texas.

The program gives young men and women the opportunity to delay entering active duty for up to one year.

The enlistment gives the new soldier the option to learn a new skill, travel and become eligible to receive as much as \$40,000 towards a college education. After completion of basic training, soldiers receive advanced individual training in their career specialty.

The recruit qualifies for a \$2,000 enlistment bonus.

Velasquez, a student at Clyde High School will report to Fort

Leonard Wood, Waynesville, Mo., for basic training on August 4, 1998.

He is the son of Catalina Avila of 8391 Farm to Market Road 604 S., Clyde.

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- FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH**  
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Evening Worship, 6:00 p.m.
- FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**  
Fourth and Chestnut  
Larry Black, Pastor  
Sunday School, 9:00 a.m. Public Worship, 10:00 a.m.
- CHURCH OF GOD**  
Thelma Dr. and W. Hwy 80  
Rev. James Radford, Pastor  
Sunday: Sunday School, 10:00 a.m.; Morning Worship, 11:00 a.m.; Evening Worship, 6:00 p.m.  
Thursday: Bible Study, 7:00 p.m.
- BAIRD CHURCH OF CHRIST**  
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Wednesday: Ladies Bible Class, 9:30 a.m. Mid-Week Bible Class 7:00 p.m.
- FIRST METHODIST CHURCH**  
Hwy 283  
Pastor - Ricky Carstensen  
Sunday School, 10:00 a.m.; Morning Worship, 11:00 a.m.; Youth Group 5:00 p.m.; Evening Worship 7:00 p.m., 7:00 p.m. Wednesday: Youth Meeting, 7:30 p.m.  
Holy Communion every 1st Sunday at 11:00 a.m.  
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- CLYDE CHURCHES**
- FIRST ASSEMBLY OF GOD CHURCH**  
S. Access Rd., Off I-20, 893-5208  
Charles Morgan, Pastor  
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- FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**  
217 Oak St. 893-4923  
David Edwards, Pastor
- Worship Service, 8:30 a.m.**  
Fellowship, Coffee & donuts, 9:30 a.m.; Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.; Working Service, 10:50 a.m.; Jr. High School, 6:30 p.m.; Evening Worship, 6:00 p.m.; Sr. High Youth, 7:00 p.m.; Tues 9:30 a.m. prayer group, Wednesday Chorus (all ages), Wednesday night, Bible Studies
- SOUTHSIDE BAPTIST CHURCH**  
Kenne Linnis, Pastor  
S. 604 California 893-4611  
Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.; Sunday morning worship, 11:00 a.m.; Sunday evening worship, 6:00 p.m.; Wednesday night, 7:00 p.m.
- APOSTOLIC UNITED PENTECOSTAL CHURCH**  
S. First & Market 893-4871  
Sunday School, 10:00 a.m.; Worship 11:00 a.m.; Prayer and praise, 7:00 p.m.; Wednesday evening, 7:30 p.m.
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Sunday Mass, 8:00 a.m.
- FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF CLYDE**  
So 3rd & Austin 893-5815  
Jerry Joplin, Pastor  
Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.; Sunday morning worship, 11:00 a.m.; Sunday evening worship, 7:00 p.m.; Wednesday Prayer, 7:15 p.m.
- NORTHSIDE CHURCH OF CHRIST**  
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- FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF EULA**  
529-3768  
Johnny Hailes, Pastor  
Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.; Sunday morning worship, 10:55 a.m.; Discipleship Training, 5:00 p.m.; Sunday evening worship, 6:00 p.m.; Wednesday Prayer, 7:15 p.m.
- CHERRY HEIGHTS BAPTIST CHURCH**  
Hwy 80 & Cherry Lane  
Lenny Davis, Pastor  
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- NEW HOPE BAPTIST CHURCH**  
No. First & Pine 893-2783  
Sunday Morning service, 10:30 a.m.; Sunday evening, 6:00 p.m.
- BIBLE BAPTIST CHURCH**  
South 604 894-5851  
Diana McGraw, Pastor  
Sunday School, 10:00 a.m.; Sunday morning worship, 11:00 a.m.; Sunday Eve worship, 6:00 p.m.; Wednesday Night, 7:00 p.m.
- TRINITY COMMUNITY CHURCH**  
North First & Cedar 893-4438  
Sam Nichols, Pastor  
Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.; Sunday morning worship, 10:45 a.m.; Sunday evening worship, 7:00 p.m.; Wednesday night 7:00 p.m.
- EULA UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**  
529-4241  
John Bill Hedrick, Pastor  
Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.; Sunday morning worship, 10:50 a.m.; Sunday evening worship, 6:00 p.m.; Youth Fellowship, 7:00 p.m.; Wednesday Bible Study, 7:00 p.m.
- CLYDE CHURCH OF CHRIST**  
So. 4th & Austin 893-4723  
Rick Cunningham, Minister  
Bible Class, 10:00 a.m.; Sunday worship, 10:55 a.m.; Sunday evening worship, 6:00 p.m.; Wednesday evenings, 7:00 p.m.
- AREA CHURCHES**
- OPLIN BAPTIST CHURCH**  
Riley Fugitt, Pastor  
Sunday School, 10:00 a.m.; Sunday morning worship, 11:00 a.m.; Sunday evening, 5:00 p.m.; Wednesday evening, 6:00 p.m.
- COTTONWOOD BAPTIST CHURCH**  
Knox Waggoner, Pastor  
Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.; Worship, 11:00 a.m.; Choir practice 6:00 p.m.; Sunday evening 7:00 p.m.; Wednesday, 7:00 p.m.

## WEDNESDAY STUDY CLUB

The Wednesday Study Club met May 13, 1998 in the home of Jessie Odom. Ten members were present.

Joyce McAuley, President, presided. Invocation was given by Margie Warren. Pledges to the U.S. and Texas flags were led by Ferne Lee.

Roll call was answered by "How I Plan to be a Better Club Woman."

Ruth Fisher gave the Federation Council's Report.

A letter of resignation from Faye Houston was read. Mrs. Houston will be moving away from Baird.

Club Officers and Chairwomen gave their year-end reports.

Ruth Fisher received the Outstanding Volunteer Award for Texas Federation of Womens Clubs Mesquite District for the second year. Mrs. Fisher also received the

1998 Governor's Volunteer Award from Governor Bush.

Mrs. McAuley reminded members of the Summer Workshop for the Mesquite District on July 11 in Knox City.

Members brought gifts to be mailed to M.D. Anderson Hospital.

President McAuley installed the following officers for 1998-2000: President: Floy McMullen; Vice President: Jessie Odom; Recording Secretary: Ferne Lee; Corresponding Secretary: Inez Wylie; Treasurer: Beulah Springate.

Refreshments were served to Lavern Crawford, Ruth Fisher, Ferne Lee, Lucibel Manion, Joyce McAuley, Floy McMullen, Beulah Springate, Margie Warren, Inez Wylie, and Hostess, Jessie Odom.



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# BAIRD BASEBALL TEAM MARCHES ON

BY SARAH HATFIELD



Seniors Jim Scott, Shannon Campbell, and Shane Devenport are comparing strategies to use against Rotan in the upcoming playoff baseball game tomorrow. It is slated for May 28 at 4:00 p.m. at the baseball diamond at Abilene High School.

## Bears Final District Game

Baird's final district baseball game for the season was played here at home against the May Tigers. The May 8th victory for the Bears came with a 13-3 score for the record.

May was the first to mark in the game with 1 score in the second innings. Then, by the third period, the Bears got cranked up.

Luke Horner led off the scoring for the Bears, followed by Shannon Campbell, Britt Johnson, David McClain, Jim Scott, Shane Davenport, Jeremy Riney and Robert Gunn.

Then Luke Horner smacked a home run, scoring again. Baird's count tallied 9 to May's 1.

May scored twice in the 4th inning and Jim Jaggars made 1 for Baird. Jeremy Riney crossed home plate again in the 5th.

As the Bears came up to bat in the 6th inning, Britt Johnson scored on David McClain's great home run hit. The game ended with the

## Bears District Baseball Champs

What could have been more fun for the Bears than to shut out Cross Plains in the fifth inning on the ten run rule, unless it could have happened at Cross Plains. But it didn't.

The Callahan County rivals played at Baird on May 5 and the Bears had the upper hand all the way, defeating the Buffaloes 13-0.

Throughout the entire game, the Bears winning 13-3.

Baird had 13 runs on 9 hits with 1 error and May's record showed 3 runs on 5 hits with 4 errors.

Shane Devenport and Justin Rivera were the winning pitchers. Thompson, Wade, and Holland were the losers.

Stats: Campbell: 1 R 1H; Jaggars: 1 R; Johnson: 2R; McClain: 2 R, 1H, 2RBI, 1HR; Scott: 1R, 2H, 3RBI; Devenport: 1 R; Riney: 2R, 1H; Gunn: 1R, 2H, 2 RBI; L. Horner: 2R, 2H, 2RBI, 1 HR.

Buffaloes were limited to not more than four batters each inning. The Bears made sure of that as they shut them out without any errors.

The Bears really looked good in the second inning as Jim Scott, Jeremy Riney, Robert Gunn, Logan Russell, Shannon Campbell, Jim Jaggars, Britt Johnson, and Shane Devenport all crossed the home plate.

Scott made two trips! All of a sudden the score was 9-0 in Baird's favor.

Russell scored in the third and Gunn and Russell marked in the fifth to complete the game.

Baird scored 13 runs on 12 hits Jim Jaggars was the winning pitcher.

Cross Plains scored no runs on 4 hits with no errors. Turner and Thomas were the losing pitchers.

STATS: Campbell 1R, 1H, 2 RBI; Jaggars 1 R, 1H, 2RBI; Johnson 2R, 1 H, 2 RBI; Devenport 1R, 1H, 1

## Bears Pitching Staff Dominated Bryson

The Bears pitching staff dominated the Bi-district game against Bryson on May 22. Baird pitcher Jim Jaggars pitched 6 innings of NO HIT baseball until the sixth inning when he was injured on a play at first base and was unable to finish pitching the rest of the game.

Jim Scott and Justin Rivera combined to finish out the 7th inning to win with a score of 9-1.

"I was very proud of Jim Jaggars," stated Coach Lewis. "He continues to get better every game. No-hitters don't come around very often so I hated to see him unable to finish out the game." Lewis continued, "I also have to commend the defense behind Jim. They made big plays all night behind him. A pitcher is only as good as his defense and the defense put on a show for us last Friday!"

The Bears also had the bats working again as usual. They jumped out to a 4-0 lead in the first. Then, they added 5 more in the fifth innings. Robert Gunn had a big 3 run triple in the 5th inning that put the game away for the Bears.

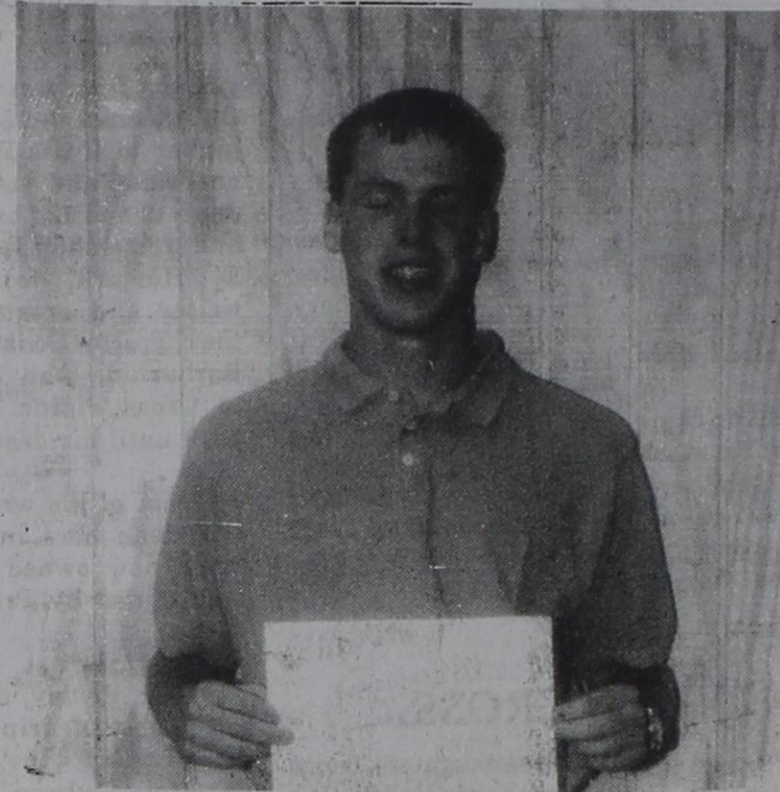
However, the hot bat for the Bears was David McClain. He was 3 for 3 with a walk and 2 RBI's.

"The guys just continue to hit the ball well. Everyone contributed to the win, and I am extremely proud of the kids after the way they responded last week," concluded Lewis.

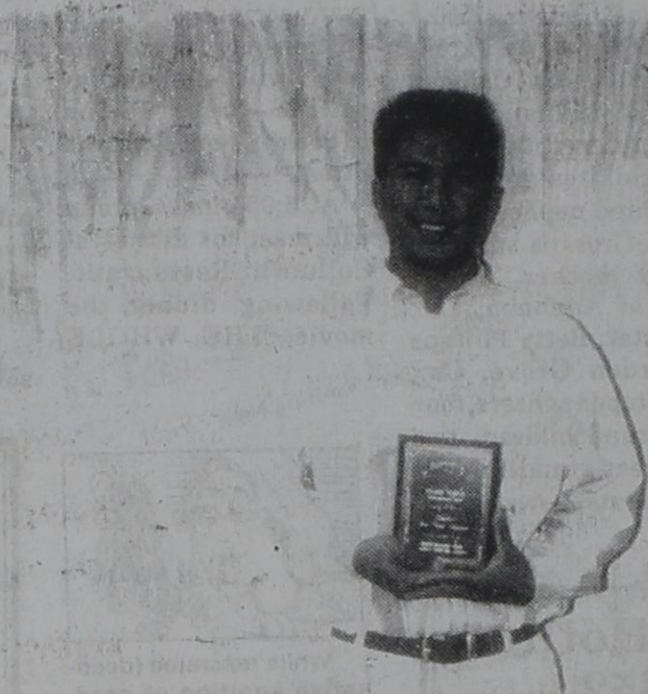
The Bears will play Thursday at Abilene High School at 4:00 p.m. for the Area Round of the playoffs. There will be an admission charge of \$3.00 for adults and \$2.00 for students.

The Bears have a 15-7 record for the year.

## BAIRD ATHLETIC BOOSTER'S SPORTS AWARD BANQUET WINNERS



Jim Scott, Senior: Bill Windham Memorial Award in football, Co-MVP award in basketball and All Around Boy Athlete



Clark Cabus, Senior Microphone Man Award for announcing

## Project Graduation Big Success

Project Graduation 1998 for the Baird High School Seniors was a great success.

The gala event began one hour after graduation on Friday, May 22. Seniors and guests left Baird at 10:00 p.m. and traveled by bus to Mr. Gatti's Pizza in Abilene where they were joined by parents and friends to enjoy food and games.

The Seniors, guests, and parents then headed for Hardin-Simmons University around Midnight. The first stop there was at the gym and the swimming pool.

After a couple of hours of basketball, volleyball and swimming, all trooped over to the Student Union Building to indulge in activities there for the remainder of the party.

The group got lots of laughs reviewing the Senior video that was put together by the Proud Parents, Inc.

After enjoying a beautifully decorated and delicious cake prepared by Brenda Smalley, the group set out to try their hand at bowling, pool, table tennis and other games.

About 5 a.m. breakfast was served and the door prizes which were donated by businesses and friends were distributed. Then all too soon, it was time to return home.

As the Seniors and guests arrived back at Baird High School about 6:30 a.m., the Seniors picked up a few more items which awaited them.

Each Senior received a laundry basket, a small tote basket, plastic clothes hangers, a copy of the Senior video, and last, but not least, a \$250.00 gift certificate made out to the business of their choice.

It was a beautiful celebration for the Class of 1998 of Baird High School.

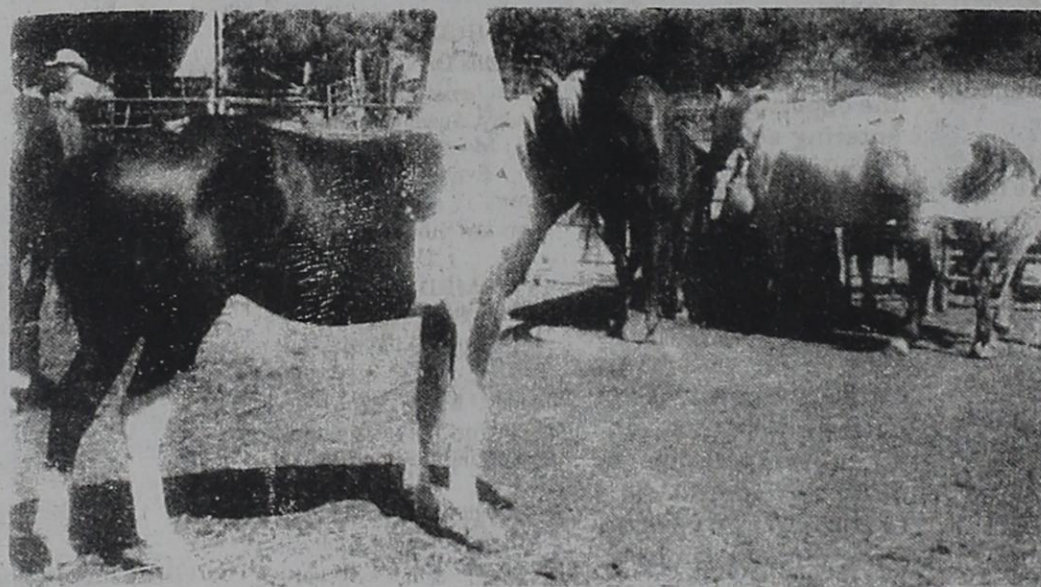


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