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School Indep.Dst. Taxes

After a decrease in school

revenues from declining en-

rollments of \$10,000, the

Baird Independent School dis-

trict is contemplating increas-

supplemented supposedly by

the state to make up for the

difference in the loss of local

on" with the budget prepara-

that the Baird Refined Aver-

age Daily Attendance will

drop due to nearly 34 students

or 9.6 percent from 2005 from

314.611. He stated that the

board will "tweak" the bud-

get and get as low as possible

without jeapordizing the stu-

dents, on the assumption that

the T.E.A. numbers (refined)

Since the Weighted Aver-

age Daily Attendance is

around \$3,921 the drop in en-

rollment is foreboding and

combined with a House Bill

1, reduction of nearly 12 cents

per \$100 for valuation for

Baird taxpayers, bodes much

deliberation for the School

Board Budget Preparation,

according to Garnder's work-

shop last Thursday which pre-

ceded the scheduled monthly

Currently the Baird ISD

slightly, one month's operat-

ing costs which is \$221,097.

This is contradistinction to the

recommendation by the TEA

to maintain a fund balance to

cover at least three month's

operating expense. However

according to member Gerry

McDowell, there is not much

leaway because losing a staff

member would eat up salary

which right now makes up

around 17 percent of the cur-

rent budget, and would have

"to be absorb[ed]..."

are correct.

meeting.

Superintendent Cliff

Capitation funds will be

Foreseen-Possible

**Increase in Baird** 

ing school taxes.

revenue.

Baird, Texas 79504

**Work Continues as** Scheduled in Callahan County on Overpassess

Scheduled work on two overpasses in Callahan County will make possible the expiditing of traffic on the venues between and in Baird and Clyde, According to Texas Dept. of Transportation.

A cramped underpass will be made possible by an overpass in Baird in order to eliminate the "sticking of 18wheelers" in low-clearance underpasses, according to Alan Hufstutler, Abilene area engineer for Tx DOT.

Driving distance for motorists will be reduced for mo-

Also currently southbound FM 604 leads to a dead-end

The 4.25 million U.S. Hwy 283's contractor for the overpass project is Stephens-Martin Paving of Abilene. The completed overpass will be 190 feet long and 44 feet wide, with one traffic lane each way. Being started last December, the project's target completion is December of this

The \$6.43 million FM 604 overpass project's contractor is Earth Builders Inc. of Decatur. The completed structure will be 500 feet long and 60 feet wide, with two traffic lanes in each direction. The completion date is June 2007, with work begun in January.

Thursday, August 3, 2006 Baird Methodist Youth Garage Sale is HUGE SUCCESS

The Youth of Baird Method-ist Church are excited to \$638. The money will be report that the recent ga-used for their many

**Baird Cemetery Association News** 

The Directors of the Baird Brown, M/M Don Price, Cemetery Association met Felix and Barbara Manion, for their monthly meeting on Jane Black, M/M Fred July 17, 2006. They are now Hopkins, M/M Hariod officially a Historical Cem- Miller, Ioma Shaw, Irma etery, thanks to the work of Crow, Wayne and Joy Dana Voights, Bruce Bell Mooney, Scotty & Brenda and Tom Ivey. They all need Mitchell, Jamie Hill, \M a big pat on the back for all- Doyle Nordyke, Conrad this work. They will have a Neubauer, Barney Whitt, dedication, but at a later date. Jerry Loper, Aubrey &

work. They sure do keep our ard Windham, Ellen Nutt, cemetery in good shape. Our Carol and Evelyn Gillet. donations and memorials have been coming in real Joyce Harris, Dorothy good. We can't say "thank Browning and Ida Mae you" enough.

Memorials and donations are as follows:

King. Skip and Pat Parker, is in good shape. Jesse & Lois Evans, Mrs. Wilburn Young, Dorothy Chambles, Mrs. J.J. Jernigan, Deborah Hatchett, Beth Davis, Bonnie Conely, Bill Gunn & Marlie, John and Charity Allen, Pearl Cases Investigated

The mowers are hard at Charlotte Loper, M/M Rich-

Maintenance Fund: Waddell,

Again, our appreciation for all that is being done to Elsie Baines, M/M F.J. make sure that the cemetery

**Board of Directors** 

# Report

7-23-06 to 7-29-06 **WARNINGS-83 COMPLAINTS-116** DWI-1 POSSESSION OF MARI-JUANA-2 **POSSESSION OF** DANGEROUS DRUG.1 **ACCIDENTS**-There were 2 accidents investigated during this time span Drive Carefully, and

**Enjoy the Summer!** 

projects, including Disciple Now and a trip to Six Flags on July 31st. Many thanks to Burke and

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Baird High School Homecoming Set for September 16, 2006 (addresses needed)

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

class of 1984-1988; Wayne Fox, Lisa Hodges, Ronald Munns, Richard Swan, Matt Berry, Natalie Gillian, Van Hughes, Doobie Moore Sanford, Randy Thornton, Dee Turpen, Tina Weeks, Ginia Whitmire, Cay Shelton Wolf, Brenda Branum, Dub Scott, Dallas Titsworth, Brent Uehling, Carla Barron, Dwayne Burns, Chris Gulley, Scotty Johnson, Tina Whitmire Smith, Brad Summers, Conon Russell Emmons, Hargrove, Tina Dunn Hart, Toni Turek Kohl, Lelana Wagley McEish, Brenda Pearce Munsen, Loyd Thurman, Julie Wilson, Oddie Freehling, Cherry Cabus Vogel.

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

**Continued Inside** 

**Baird Elementary School Supplies** 

### Kindergarten School **Supply List**

1 Spiral Notebook 20 pencils pair Fisher Scissors 2 boxes of Kleenex 2 small bottles of glue 2 Glue Sticks 1 Box Washable Mark-

1 lg. Box of Cray-ons Nap Pad

Back Pac Baird Pre-K Please put your child's name on all supplies:

\*Paint shirt 1 box of jumbo Crayons, 1 box Regular Cray-

1 box Q-tips Package manila paper Package colored construction paper.

Fiskars student Scissors 12 glue Stikes I Box of Kleenex. 1 Box jumbo Markers Small plastic school

box Back pack I roll of paper Towels jumbo eraser and individual pencil erasers 1 bottle Elmer's glue.

**Continued Inside** 

torists in enabling motorists wanting to continue traveling on FM 604 from north of Clyde to south of twon, Hufstutler said as well as the project to eliminate the waiting for pass-Gardner is reportedly "going At present the FM 604 overpass is going over the railtion based on the possibility

road tracks as wll as Clyde's North 1st St. and FM 18, said the same source.

in the south access road of Interstate 20, requiring motorists to turn left on the access road and travel east about a mile, then loop back through Clyde, connecting again with

The U.S. Hwy. 283 overpass the railroad tracks in Baird is constructed around 150 feet to the east of the outdated underpass, Hufstutler said.

### Baird Middle and High School Registration, Aug. 3 and 4

The Baird Middle School and High School will hold registration for H.S. and New Student Registration and schedule Pick-up for all enrolled students for the 2006-07 school year on Thursday, August 3, and Friday, Augus 4. The registration and schedule pick-up for middle sch. will be held at the Baird I.S.D. Cafeterium from 8:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. each day and from 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. at the High School office.

For new students to register, parents need to bring copies of their child's birth certififund balance is less than, but cate, shot records, social security card and proof of residence. If you have any questions concerning student registration, please contact the High School office, at 325-854-1400,

### Callahan County SWCD is Now Taking Custom Map Orders and design of each indi-

The Callahan County SWCD is proud to announce that we have recently purchased a plotter and is now offering to design maps for landowners, hunters, and interested indiviuals. The plotter will produce up to 36" maps in color or black/white. The cost will depend on the size vidual map.

For more information on how to purchase a land map contact the Natural Resource Conservation office located at 141 W. 4th St. Baird, TX or Call (325) 854-1349, EXT 3. Order forms and information may also be obtained at the Albany NRCS at 325-762-2552, EXT. 3.

# **Pre-Kindergarten and Kindergarten Registration at Baird Elementary School**

**Baird Elementary School** will hold a Pre-Kindergarten and Kindergarten registration for the 2006-2007 school year beginnining on Thursday, August 3, and ending on Friday, August 4th. The registration will be held at the Baird I.S.D. Cafeterium from 8:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. each day.

**Pre-Kindergarten:** 

The Baird I.S.D. Pre-Kindergarten program is pleased to announce that the Pre-Kindergarten program will operate on a full-day basis (8:00 a.m.-2:30 p.m.) during the 2006-07 school year.

According to Texas State Law, a child is eligible for enrollment in Pre-Kindergarten if the child is 4 years of age as of September 1, 2006, and is 1) unable to speak and comprehend the English language; 2) educationally disadvantaged; 3)is homeless; or 4) is identified with special needs or whose parent (s) are on active duty in armed forces including

military and reserves or have been hurt or killed while on active duty (House Bill, summer '06) In order to qualify for the program based upon #2, students must meet the criteria of financial need as determined by a formula provided by the state (which is based upon eligibility to participate in the national free or reduced lunch program),

During this registration, Baird ISD will be enrolling 4 year olds who meet the above criteria and live in the Baird School District. Also during this registration;, Baird I.S.D. will be taking applications for all other 4 year olds who live in the Baird School District. The Pre-Kindergarten program has limited spaces, so parents are urged to register their children as early as possible. Baird I.S.D. is pleased to an-

nounce that the Pre-kinder-

garten program will operate

on a full-day basis with the

same start time as all other

Kindergarten:

To be eligible for enrollment in kindergarten, a child must be 5 years old as of September 1, 2006.

Completing Registration:

To complete registration, parents will need to bring copies of their child's birth certificate, shot records, social security card, proof of residence, and proof of income.

(Proof of income is required therefore parents mst bring either a statement from employers showing monthly wages or a paycheck stub.)

Any new students 1st-8th grade may register at this time also.

If you have any questions, concerning student registration, please contact James Wyatt, Elementary School Principal, at 854-1400, Ext. 309.

The first day of school for students of Baird Independent school District is Wednesday, August

# Election Judges, Alternates, and Polling Places Named for County by Commisioners

Polling places for the elecions to be held in Callahan County were decided by a unanimous vote of 5-0 in the July 10th meeting of the Commissioner's.

The polling places in-Prect. #1: Clyde Liions

Rusk Street in Clyde.

16. For all students Pre-Kindergarten through 12th grade, the first school bell will ring at 7:55 a.m. followed by an 8:00 a.m. bell indicating the start of classes.

All students are asked to be on campus no later than 7:50 a.m. each day, unless notified to arrive earlier for participation in tutorials or extracurricular activities/practices. The Baird I.S.D. Child Nutrition Dept. will begin serving breakfast at 7:15 a.m. every morning for those who wish to have breakfast.

Students in Pre-K, Kindergarten and First Grade will be dismissed at 2:30 p.m. each day. Students from 2nd Grade to 12th Grade will be dismissed at 3:20 p.m. Buses will run at 3:25 p.m. Mon-Friday.

Baird I.S.D. will begin a tutorial program for students on Tuesday, September 5th. Tutorials will be scheduled from 3:20-3:45 p.m. Beginning on Sept. 5th, buses will run at 3:45 p.m. Monday-Thursday, and 3:25 p.m. on Fridays.

Pct. #2: Eula Lions Club Building, FM 603 S. Clyde. Pct. #3: Baird Housing Authority Building, 401

Pct. #4: Cross Plains Community Center, 9th & Beech in Cross Plains. Pct. #5: Putnam Com-Club Building, FM 18 &

Chestnut in Baird.

munity Center, 120 W. Travis in Putnam. Pct. #6: Clyde Southside Baptist Church, FM 604

South in Clyde, TX Pct. #7: Oplin Community Center, FM 604 S. in Oplin.

Early Voting: Baird Courthouse Room #107 at 100 W. 4th St. in Baird. **Branch Early Voting:** 

Clyde Justice of the Peace Office, 208 Oak Street in Clyde. **Branch Early Voting:** Cross Plains Justice of The

Peace Office, 424 S. Main in Cross Plains. **Election Judges & Al**ternate Judges include;

Pct. #1 Susan McCool,

Judge; Silas Tucker, Alternate. Pct. Roxane Schoen, Judge; Pat Lo-

gan, Alternate. Pct. #3: Jackie Pruet, Judge, Johanna May, Alternate.

Prct. #4: Joh Swift, Judge; Joyce McCoy, Al-Pct. #5: Randy, Petty,

Judge: Beth Petty, Alternate. Pct. #6: Sharon Gage,

Judge, Fannie Froman, Alternate. Pct, #7: Trent Gee, Judge, Clarice Yandell,

Alternate. Ballot Board Judge, Dorothy Watson.

Legal Notice

NOTICE OF

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satisfy a landlord lien,

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the Texas Property Code.

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not accept any bid or

withdraw property from the

Location: Sanders Storage

Units contain household

goods and miscellaneous

items, unless otherwise

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311 2nd St., Baird, TX

Time: 2:00 P.M.

specified.

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Brenda Lewis

P.O. Box 23

254-893-6559

c/o Wayne Sanders

DeLeon, TX 76444

Date: August 26, 2006

The following property

# Flooring for Sale from Old

Baird Independent School District is in the process of refurbishing the old gymnasium. One of the main objectives is to replace the wooden floor because it is not level. The hardwood floor has been removed in sections of about 30 square feet. These sections are for

### Continued from One Youth FundRaiser

Cami Robinson for generthe garage sale. A special thank you to Lee Roy and Rose Brooker for hauling the large items with their truck and trailer. Thanks

sale to the public for \$1 per square foot. Preceeds from the sales of flooring will help defray the cost of updating the gym.

If interested in owning a piece of history you may call Scptt Cooper at 854-1400 extension, 320.

to everyone who donated items for the sale and to those who made purchases. In addition to raisously allowing the youth ing money for the youth to use their building for group, the garage sale also benefited two nonprofit agencies—Goodwill in Clyde and Hope Haven in Abilene.

### Attention Baird Senior Parents!!!

We are ready to start planning for Project Graduation 2007!

We would like for this to be an awesome experience for our 2007 seniors and in order to accomplish this, we will need to start asap.

All parents of 2007 seniors are invited to attend the first project

graduation meeting to give input and discuss ideas for our drug/ alcohol free celebration on graduation night.

We look forward to seeing everyone at the meeting on Monday, August 7th at 7:00 p.m. in the Baird Home Economics room.

### **Specials-For Sale**

**Steninman Fencing** Chainlink commercial, residential, privacy and farm fences, custom gates.

For more information. Call Leroy Steinman. 254-629-1649.

# **Baird School Supplies-**Elementary

### Baird 1st Grade:

40 plain #2 pencils \*\*2 Boxes of Cray;ons (24 Count)

2 Boxes of wide Crayola Washable Markers

3 folders with brads plastic folders with pockets/no brads

2 spiral notebooks 2 pakgs. 12 X 18 manila

2 pkgs, 12 X 18 colored construction papers 3 large bottles of glue \*\* 1 pair of scissors

(Fiskars are best) \*\* Watercolor paints \*\* 1 set of map colors 2 pkgs of pencil top Eras-

ers \*\*1 school supply box 1 box of Kleenex. \*\* Plastic dish pan (approx. 12X18)

1 box gallon zip lock bags \*\* Backpack

\*\*Please label these supplies with an asterish with your students name. Thanks.

### **Baird 2nd Grade Supplies List:**

96 #2 pencils small Glue Scissors (sharp Fiskars) 3 boxes of Kleenex

(preferably with lotion) 2 spiral notebooks 4 pocket folders with

brads (Blue, Red, Yellow, Green)

3 sets map pencils 2 package pencil top erasers.

2 large erasers 1 package construction

package manila paper cloth zippered pencil pouch.

supply Box Head phones for com-

1 box of quart size Ziploc Bags

2 glue Sticks 2 Red Grading pens \*\*No Rolling Back-

### 3rd Grade **Supplies 2006-07**

40 #2 pencils small Pencil Sharpener

4 glue sticks 2 large Elmer's School

2 Red Grading pens 2 large Erasers

2 packages map Pencils packages markers (large, washable)

2 packages of 4 Expo dry erase Markers

Crayons (Box of 36) Scissors (Fiskars-sharp) Small Plastic Supply Box

2 small spiral notebooks 4 folders with pockets (RED, BLUE, GREEN, Yel-

3 Boxes Kleenex

Girls-1 Box Gallon size Ziploc Bags Boys-1 Box sandwich

size Ziploc Bags Headphones for comput-

# Country Cowboy Church

710 N. Seaman Eastland 254-639-2155

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**Pastor Chad Gosnell** 

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from April 19, 2006,

paid with a check or These fish come from the money order, and delivery

For more information This year's selection of contact the Natural Refish includes Bluegill, Hybrid sources Conservation Ser-Bream, Red Bream, Red Ear, vice office in Baird, TX at Grass Carp, Largemouth (325) 854-1349 Ext. 3. The office in Baird is located at 141 W. 4th and Suite B. dition we are also offering Orders and information Red Horse minnows, Fathead may also be obtained at the Albany, TX NRCS office. Fish orders will be taken The number is 325-762-2552. EXT 3.

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2 boxes of Kleenex 1 scotch Tape Subject dividers 4 pckts folders with

1 spiral Notebook Locker Shelf (Optional) Tennis shoes for P.E.

No Notebooks or Trappers needed. No Rolling backpacks.

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# Callahan County (Baird) Star

Classifieds

### Help Wanted

CDL drivers with clean record, exp. equip. operators, heavy equip. mechanics & labor at Jay Mills Contracting 254-965-

**HELP WANTED: Experienced,** mature woman for home cleaning; Rainbow vacuum cleaning system knowledge helpful. Needed every other week for multiple in-home tasks. Good references required. Please call 254-629-2413 after 6 p.m. to set interview.

Cashier Experienced convenience store Cashier wanted in

Putnam, TX. Please call 325-662-3328.

# **Notice**

Tax Free Weekend August 4, 5,6- Sunday afternoon. Johnson's Dry Goods, Cross Plains, TX.

FOR SALE: Mostly highway-driven, Oldsmobile Cutlass Supreme - V-6—loaded. 69,000 miles. Computer/gauges-Call 254-629-2413 after 6 p.m. to see.

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(8-3, 8-10-06)

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dove, quall, \$1,800 per acre.

65 Acres mostly wooded with oak trees, elevation changes from hill top down to lower land, paved road frontage, wildlife includes deer, turkey, hogs, dove, quail, \$1,195 per acre.

81 Acres mostly wooded with oaks & mesquite trees, one 4-acre field, two ponds, hills down to draws, large ranches around this property, lots of wildlife including deer, turkey, hogs, dove, quall, \$1,395 per acre.

83 Acres 95% wooded with oak the sound of the

per acre.

112 Acres, wooded and cleared, very large canyon on property, hills, older mobile home with CH/CA and older frame house SOLD urkey, hogs, dove, duck, quail.

\$145,600.

116 Acres on large creek, wood statistics of the cattle or hunting. Deer, turkey, hogs, doved with oak trees, 2 fields, big hill and other elevation changes, creek, 2 ponds, deer, turkey, hogs, dove, quall and duck. 221,555.

151 Acres 75% open in fields with coastal and other grasses, 25% wooded with oak trees, 3 ponds, 6 water wells. Wildlife includes deer, turkey, dove, quall, \$196,490.

151 Acres with house, mostly wells, 3 ponds, 3 water wells, 4 ponds, 5 water wells, 6 water wells, 8 water wells, 8 water wells, 9 ponds, 9 9 ponds,

duck, quail. \$220,183.

160 Acres, mostly pecan orchard, approximately 80 acres of pecan trees, 60 acres of oak timber, 20 acres open grass la SOLD on in the oak timber, water well, deer, turkey, hogs, dove, duck, quail, \$235,000.

275 Acres mostly wooded with one control of the control of

COMMERCIAL

18 Hole Golf Course, established course with members pro shop, lots of equipment, 12 water wells. Call for details.

Attractive and clean, 2 year old 40' x 50' bldg., corner property with interstate access. Covered front porch and pavillon with ample parking, drive thru shop, parts counter, showroom, 2 half baths and mini kitchen. 5 lots. Call for details. 3 commercial buildings and a carport on several lots. \$39,500. Call for details.

Downtown building with approx. 5700 sq. ft. plus more sq. footage upstairs for storage. Call

HOMES
Only 17,000 for this 2 BR, 1 bath home. Call for details.
2 BR, 1 bath home on corner property with storm windows, some wood floors, large oak trees, attached garage and fenced backyard, \$25,000.
3 BR, 1 3/4 bath home, carpet just been replaced, double carport w/attached storage, corner lot, large trees, Reduced to \$26,500.
3 BR, 2 bath home with storm windows, double carport, workshop or storage building, large

3 BR, 1 bath home, child storm windows, double carport, workshop or storage building, large trees, \$27,500.

Large 2 BR, 1 bath home. Could be arranged for a third BR, separate DR, detached garage with extra storage, many large oak trees, 1 1/2 lots, \$32,000.

2 BR, 1 bath home with storm building and plenty of space to a storage building. Soll Description, 2000.

3 BR, 1 1/2 bath home, CH, large to the storage building, sold to the storage building. Soll Description, 2000.

3 BR, 1 1/2 bath home with CH/A, large LR and master BR, small office, fenced backyard, large trees, storage building. \$53,000.

3 BR, 1 3/4 bath brick veneer home with CH/A, WBFP, storm windows, attached garage, covered patio, backyard fenced, detached room with full bath, small shop. \$55,000.

3 BR, 1 3/4 bath brick veneer home with CH/A, builtin appliances, pantry, attached double garage, large trees, fenced backyard, 1 1/2 lots, \$55,000.

Need extra lots for kids or animals? Call about this 3 BR, 2 bath with CH/A on 24 lots, \$59,500.

3 BR, 1 3/4 bath home, brick veneer home, separate LR and den, storm windows, CH/A, attached 2 car garage, double carport, fenced backyard, \$62,500.

Large 3 BR, 2 bath home, (recently built) with 2 family rooms, CH/A, wooden deck, double carport, 2 storage buildings and shop or game room. Fenced backyard, corner property, \$89,000.

4BR, 2 bath, 2 story home with lots of character and space, separate DR, LR and den, 2 CH/CA, building and shop or game room. Senced backyard, corner property, \$89,000.

\$89,000.

4BR, 2 bath, 2 story home with lots of character and space, separate DR, LR and den, 2 CH/
CA units, vinyl siding, storm windows, jacuzzi, double carport plus single carport, workshop,
many large oak trees. Also has mobile home hookups.

HOMES WITH ACREAGE

29.99 Acres with approx. 2,000 sq. ft. custom built home: 2 BR, 1 3/4 bath, office, WBFP, porch across front and back, wooden deck, beautiful landscaped yard with many live oak trees, detached guest room with 3/4 bath, detached garage with WB heater and cabinets.

Well maintained, 3 BR, 1 bath home with metal siding, covered patio, 2 storage bidgs., covered boat dock with boat lift, large trees, \$49,800.

Recently built, attractive 2 BR, 1 bath home with CH/A, nice pine cabinets, large deck, many live oak trees, storage building, covered boat dock, \$69,500.

Must Seel Large 4 BR, 1 3/4 bath 2 story home, 2 CH/A units, fireplace, several extra closets, balcony off master BR, large oak trees, shop, 4 vehicle carport, covered boatdock with boat lift, septic recently replaced.

Beautifully lands-caped frontyard and backyard surrounds this large beautiful 2 story, 3 BR, 4 bath home with WBFP and 2 CH.

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Garage, boat dock, 2 decks, plant room, sprinkler system, many large oak trees.

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Ann Williams, Broker Jimmy Williams

### **Red Planet Causes Royal Blush**

Bill Stribling, 82, never met a "t" he didn't cross or ignored an "i" in need of a dot. He's simply wound that way-a "by the book," Godfearing, country-serving, wife-honoring, communitybuilding kind of visionary

Bonded by his word, he endeared himself to teachers, students and parents alike wherever he served. When school superintendents make such marks, it's worth noting.

Now 25 years into retirement, he rarely "skips a beat" in daily "'t'-crossing/ 'i'-dotting" routines. Earlier

this month, though, he skipped one, trusting an email that caught his eye.

"What a deal," he thought, pondering the "news" that on August 27, Earth and Mars will be closer together than they've been for 5,000 years. And to think it might be 60,000 years before they're just 35 million miles apart

This was a call to action. He forwarded the e-mail to several dozen friends. He also sent it to his son, Danny, who is Community Director at Carriage Inn, a retirement community in Bryan. That's where Bill and wife Joyce landed last year after living sorries" to his friends, hoping 34 years in Burleson.

"As usual, Dad's wheels were spinning on this deal," Danny said. "He suggested an outdoor cook-out for our community. His heart file of favorites. warmed at the thought of dozens of friends, munching on hamburgers under the stars. He even wondered where we might find some high-powered telescopes. For the spectacular evening he envisioned, he figured we should go all-out," his son

That was just the service programs to kick off beginning. Stribling dreamed of having Mars bars for dessert, and maybe a contest to see who could tell the biggest "whopper" about space. They'd have Age of Aquarius playing in the Nicholas' recent bedtime background.

A few hours later, however, an e-mail from a friend turned Stribling's world upside down, or at least sideways on'its axis.

The friend cited "snopes.com," a website that

checks out the validity of yarns starting out with "rumor has it." While the site confirms

many of the claims of the email, it refutes some. In fact, it tells us that the two planets slack-jawed, eager to learn actually align about this how Ben had committed the closely every 15-17 years.

Oh, and it confirmed that this particular e-mail's genesis was actually pointing to August 27, 2003—three years ago!...

Stribling spent the rest of one nameless superintendent the day e-mailing "I'm

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and bought telescopes.

party at the retirement

community, and Bill now

includes "snopes.com" in his

such hoaxes in the future, but

if he does, he won't take a

bunch of friends down with

I'll spend'about half of the

month of August traveling

around Texas, encouraging

school employees at in-

the 2006-2007 school year.

7-year-old Nicholas and 5-

year-old Benjamin, sons of

prayer: "Dear God, help me

to be a better reader and a

better 'mather' this yearÖ."

And Ben has picked up

reading at a tender age. Like

many pre-schoolers, he's

been curious about letters'

sounds, and'the words some

arrangements of letters spell.

though, was his recent

recitation of the names of all

42 presidents—in order and

without notes. They were

"Their names are on my

place mat, right under my

Cheerios," was his in-all-

Speaking of the alphabet,

who DID NOT have a school

list to memory.

innocence reply.

What shocked his parents,

The Chases overheard

Jerry and Layna Chase.

One story I'll tell concerns

He has no plans to fall for

named for him (as Stribling teams.' does in Burleson), says he they hadn't already run out might have been more alphabet of education.

> He claims he didn't do well B. C and D.

stand for "athletics, band, His cheer-leading and drill

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Dr. Newbury is a speake. They've called off the big effective if he had better and author whose column understood the whole appears weekly in 125 newspapers in six states. He welcomes comments and with the first four letters—A, inquiries, and call be reached by phone at 817- on "Those letters hung me out 447-3872, or by e-mail, off to dry," he grinned. "They newbury@speakerdoc.com. website: www.speakerdoc.com.

### A Gold Mine in Bedroom Draw

Newswire: People are selling their old scrap gold that is gathering dust for its cash value because gold prices are so high. With the price of gold at a 25 year high (over \$650.00 per ounce), it makes sense. ScrapGold.com, a gold recycler, offers free insured recycle kits so people may cash in their scrap with 24 hour service and guarantee satisfaction. They accept

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Names

There were many nameless people in the Bible who helped Jesus do His work. The Good Samaritan, the boy with the five loaves and the fish, the healed leper who came back to say thanks and the man on the cross. They all helped Jesus do His work and did not "make a name for themselves." They just glorified the name of our Sav-

ior. Sometimes a name seems to make us more valued. God counts us one by one. Yes, names are important. All through the Bible we can learn how genuinely valued a name can make us feel.

Some time ago it was popular for women who married to just keep their maiden names. Then for a few years it was "the thing" for people who married to hyphenate the last name of the woman and the last name of the man. Then it became popular to make up a last name. Now married couples seem to have more sense and use the man's last name, but married couples need more than just

a' common last name. They need to be one flesh and one spirit in Christ.

Isn't it wonderful that we are told in Exodus 33:12 that "I know you by name..."? Our Heavenly Father knows each of us by name. Every person wants to be treated as an individual. God personally created each of us and knows

us as His unique creation. John 10:3 "He called His own sheep by name..." We know that the disciples were called Christians first in Antioch. We are told in Isaiah 62:12 that we will be called "holy people" and that we will be "sought out." Now who among us has not at some time felt unwanted? God wants you! He has redeemed you and has "sought you out!"

When we consider the tenses of the verbs used, we see "I have called thee" (past tense) and "will hold" and "will keep" (both future

Luke 1:31 "and behold, you will conceive in your womb and bear a Son, and you shall call His name Jesus."

Mary was the first to hear the name of Jesus, and I am sure that she said that name

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over and over throughout her with enough spiritual perceppregnancy.

Names are taken very seriously at our house. When we adopted Jeff and Amy as newborns in January and December of 1969, it was fun to name them.

My youngest grandson, Hunter, was named after his mother's maiden name, Hunt. His name is Jeffrey Hunter, but since we call his dad, Jeff, we have always called him Hunter. Anyway, his kindergarten teacher sent a note home that Hunter would not answer when the coach called him. Jeff went up to talk with the coach and found out that the coach was calling him Jeffrey instead of Hunter. Jeff had to explain to Hunter that whatever the coach called him, he needed to respond.

Names really should mean something. We have had four Scottie dogs and their names were Booger Bear, Lady Bug, Hobo and Shadow (first named Useless). There was a reason for each name.

Our Lord has names for us like special, wanted, unconditionally loved and others because our Heavenly Father really values us.

Fred Bauer wrote: "Make us sensitive, God, to names we bestow. Choosing kind ones that help people grow." I never liked the way some teachers labeled students with names like ignorant, failure, awkward, etc.

Some people, like some authors, choose an assumed name in order to conceal their own. The apostles changed the name of a man from Joseph to Barnabus. They called him what they thought he was- "Son of encouragement." What a nickname! Are you a Barnabus? Do you encourage others?

Isaiah states: "...thou shalt be called by a new name which the mouth of the Lord shall name." Saul became Paul, Simon became Peter and you and I will be called by a new name and there will be rejoicing in heaven over our new name.

The Lord will name us and we will be given new natures also. Just as Paul and Peter were changed from a Christpersecutor and a thoughtless blasphemer, to a love-slave of Christ and the first disciple

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name because he was new enough to see!

I love the song which says: "There's a new name written up in glory- and it's mine-Oh, yes, it's mine."

What will your name be in

# Click' To Show At Majestic

What's the first thing you think when you hear the name "Adam Sandler"? A comedy, of course. Well. you're right again. Adam Sandler is starring in a new role, and you can see him in the new movie "Click."

"Click" will open at the Majestic Theater in Eastland on Friday, Aug.4, and show nightly at 7:30 through Monday, Aug. 7.

Admission will be \$4.50 at the box office, with balcony seats \$6 to adults only. This is much lower than big-city prices for the same film. The movie is rated PG-13.

In this Columbia picture, Adam Sandler does some onscreen maturing. But he still wades through zany stunts and wild situations.

In the story, Sandler is a solidly successful, 39 year old husband named Michael Newman, who has a lovely wife and two children - but is more devoted to his work than his family.

Kate Beckinsale portrays his wife Diana, and she manages to hang on to some semblance of normality.

At the architectural firm where he works, Michael Newman toils under the capricious whims of his boss, Mr. Hammer.

Michael is reaching the breaking point, however, and one evening he storms out of his house in search of some sort of gadget that will handle all the remote-control

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objects in his home.. Unfortunately, he finds one - an object that will not only control technology, but his own past and future as well. Now he can skip over arguments with his wife, return to favorite parts of his childhood, and fast-forward and find out what the future has for him!

Something we've all dreamed about - maybe. Fun? Not really. Soon Michael is in some mix-ups that it takes awhile to untangle.

That fast-forward is really the scary part! Adam has to drop the comedy for awhile, as he has a scary vision of what life is going to be like

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name. He was given a new for himself and his family if he keeps up the current pace. So this movie also has something to think about, and most will like the combina-

# **Top Movies** This Week

1. Little Man starring Marlon Wayans, Rated: PG-

2. Pirates of the Caribbean: Dead Man's Chest, Johnny Depp, PG-13

3. You, Me, and Dupree, Owen Wilson, PG-13

4. The Devil Wears Prada, Meryl Streep, PG-13

5. Superman Returns, Brandon Routh, PG-13

6. A Scanner Darkly, Keanu Reeves, R

7. Click, Adam Sandler, PG-13

8. Nacho Libre, Jack Black, PG

9. Cars featuring the voice of Owen Wilson, G

10. The Lake House, Sandra Bullock, PG

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Strayhorn stops trying to be Grandma; polls reveal order in guv's race

By Ed Sterling

AUSTIN - Carole Keeton Strayhorn ended legal efforts to have "Grandma" included as part of her name on the Nov. 7 election ballot.

Strayhorn, who is running for governor as an independent candidate, appealed Secretary of State Roger Williams' decision not to allow the nickname.

A state district court rejected the appeal, and soon after, Strayhorn told her lawyers she would not continue to pursue the matter.

### Candidates to debate in October

Three of the five candidates running for governor plan to participate in a broadcast debate Oct. 5.

So far, Democratic candidate Chris Bell of Houston and independent candidates Richard "Kinky" Friedman of Medina and Carole Keeton Strayhorn of Austin have agreed to take part in the event at the KERA television studios in Dallas.

Incumbent Republican Gov. Rick Perry has not committed to join in.

Debate sponsors have not decided whether to invite Libertarian candidate James Werner of Austin hold soll soll

### Poll shows where candidates are

The Zogby/Wall Street Journal tracking poll for July showed Perry in first place with 38.3 percent; Bell with 20.8 percent; Friedman in a statistical dead heat with Bell at 20.7; and Strayhorn trailing at 11 percent.

Perry's polling data is up 0.6 percent since June; while Bell's is up 1.1 percent; Friedman's is up 3.2 percent; and Strayhorn's is down 3.1 percent.

### List of coal plant sites narrows

The U.S. Department of Energy narrowed its search to include four possible sites for FutureGen, the world's first "near-zero emissions" coal-fired power plant.

Gov. Perry said a site near the East Texas town of Jewett and a West

Texas site near Odessa are bring considered. So are two

days, which could save shop-Final selection will be in pers about \$8 on every \$100 the fall of 2007 with they spend.

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### Judge hears open meetings case

In Pecos on July 26, U.S. District Judge Robert Junell heard arguments in a lawsuit with statewide implications.

Brought by Alpine city council member Avinash Rangra and former council member Anna Monclova, the suit questions the constitutionality of the Texas Open Meetings Act.

Rangra and Monclova said the act compromised their freedom of speech by making it illegal for them to discuss, including via e-mail, city business anywhere but in an open meeting.

Defendants are the State of Texas, Attorney General Greg Abbott and Brewster County District Attorney Frank Brown.

Junell gave the parties two months to file papers relevant to the case before he rules.



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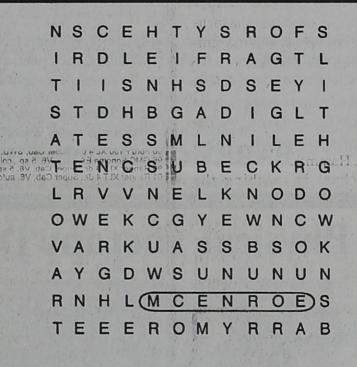
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Shown (1-r) are Greg Simmons, Larry Monroe, Rhonda Pipkin with electric scooter.



(I-r) Greg Simmons, Charles Carlisle, Ronnie Jones, Larry Monroe shown with electric scooter donated to VFW.

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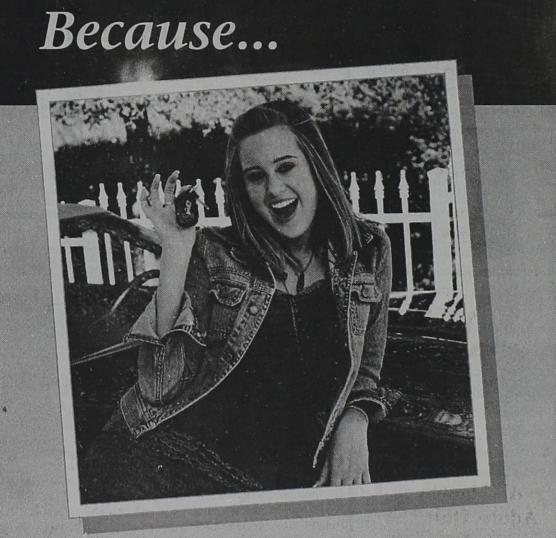
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If you or a loved one has two to three months. type 2 diabetes, you're not alone. More than 18 million Not tomorrow. Never give Americans have type 2 dia- up!

2 diabetes, controlling blood sugar is a struggle every day. In fact, a report issued last year by the American Association of Clinical Endocrinologists (AACE) showed that two out of three Americans with type 2 diabetes analyzed in a study were not in control of their blood sugar.

It is important to control blood sugar because it lowers the risk of serious health problems later. Diabetes can cause heart disease, stroke, blindness, loss of limbs and kidney disease.

But now, there's new help to better manage type 2 diabetes. Life and fitness coach Bob Harper of NBC's "The Biggest Loser" and a panel of diabetes experts created easy-to-understand and motivational steps people can take to get their blood sugar down. They are called 6.5 Steps Toward Better Blood Sugar Control. These steps are different because they can fit easily into everyday living.

"Through my years of coaching and training, I've worked with many people with type 2 diabetes and have seen how hard it can be to live with this disease," said Bob Harper. "But I learned that anyone can change their life. It's all about finding the right tools and motivation. I urge people with type 2 diabetes to step it up and use the 6.5 Steps and make them a part of their daily lives."

### 6.5 Steps Toward Better **Blood Sugar Control**

1. Be honest with yourself. Diabetes can be tough, but it doesn't have to control you.

2. Think about your reasons for living a healthier life and feeling better. Always keep them in mind.

3. Team up with your doctor or other health care professional to make a plan. This plan may include taking one or more medicines. You are inthis together with the same goals.

4. Make healthy eating and regular physical activity part of your life.

5. Check your blood sugar as often as your doctor tells you and know your A1C number. A1C is your average blood sugar level for the past

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Physical Activity: Regular physical activity can lower blood sugar levels. It can also help manage weight and reduce the risk of developing heart disease and high blood pressure. There are little things people with type 2

diabetes can do every day to be more active, such as walking with a friend or taking the stairs instead of the elevator.

**Blood Sugar Monitoring:** There are two tests for checking blood sugar. One test is the blood sugar monitoring that patients do on their own. It gives people with diabetes a check of their blood sugar level at the time the test is taken. The other one is called the A1C test. The A1C test shows a person's average blood sugar levels over the previous two to three months. Experts say that a good A1C goal is 6.5 percent or less for most people with type 2 diabetes.

Medicines: Most people with type 2 diabetes take medicine to help control their blood sugar levels. Many need more than one medicine

to help treat the disease in different ways.

For people with type 2 diabetes, it is important that they team up with their doctor or other health care professional and think of them as a partner. They should

work with their health care team to make a plan to get their blood sugar under con-

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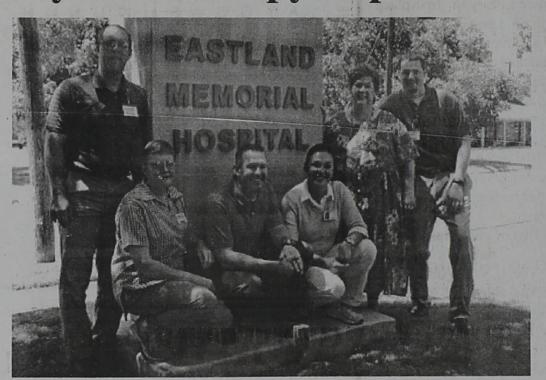
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# Mental Health Budget **Proposed To Be Cut 10%**

Office of Budget, Planning and Policy and the Legislative Budget Boa issued "budget instructions" to all Texas state agencies--including the Department of State Health Services that funds Community Mental Health/Mental Retardation Centers and North Star-- that will require them to submit to the Legislature for Fiscal Year 2008-09 funding a baseline budget request that is 10% less than the amount of funding the agency received during the previous legislative session. If the agency wants any funding over and above those cuts they must submit that as a special request or "exceptional item."

state agency knows the amount of appropriations it is asking for is not enough to provide assistance to even the minimum number of individuals in Texas that it served in the previous year, the agency still has to ask for an amount that is 10% less than they received during the last budget cycle.

submit a budget request to the Legislature that is lower than what the agency knows is essential to serve even its existing consumers creates a false impression of what the need in Texas is. Once inflation (currently 3.55% per had a mental illness, but only year) and population growth (9.6% since 2000) are considered, it is obvious that vices; even allocating the same amount of funding as the prior session's budget bill would not be sufficient to keep up with the growing need.

Maintaining current mental health services should not be an "exceptional" event; with these instructions, agencies will have to slash already bare-bones programs before they can even submit a budget request. Getting any increases will be an uphill battle.

Mental health funding is already seriously underfuded even in the current budget:

Texas is the 2nd largest state and 2nd in rate of population growth, yet we spend fewer dollars per person on the public mental health system than 46 other states. In fiscal 2003, Texas spent \$39.02 per client on mental health services, placing Texas 47th in the nation.

After adjusting for inflation, Texas spent nearly 15 percent less on mental health in fiscal 2002 than it did two

estimated to have a serious them from DSHS-funded services now. Since data Disease Control and Prevennumber of children who need support for a mental or emo-

In June, the Governor's tional disorder are not currently receiving it. A 10% cut in publicly funded mental health care will further devastate this population.

> Children in other statefunded systems are also in desperate need of care:

•75% of children placed in foster care have parents with behavioral health problems;

•75% of youth in the juvenile justice system have behavioral health problems;

•30% of youth in the juvenile justice system will end up in the adult justice system;

•30% of all truancy is related to behavioral health problems.

An estimated 900,000 adults in Texas met the DSHS mental health priority This means that even if a population definitin in 2005, and approximately 450,000 are estimated to have the greatest need (targeted priority population). Yet DSHS data indicates that only about a quarter of those with the greatest net received mental health services from DSHS- funded services in 2005.

Adults with mental ill-Requiring an agency to nesses are also involved with other agencies:

27% of adults on parole had mental illness, but only 33% of those parolees received mental health services;

13% of adults on probation 25% of those probationers received mental health ser-

16% of inmates in Texas

jails and prisons are esti- available- works! Treatment mated to have a mental illness, only a fraction of whic are receiving appropriate mental health care.

Consequences of not treating individuals with mental disorders

•Economic impact--In 2003, mental illness in Texas cost the state \$16.6 billion, which includes \$13.3 billion lost income due to reduced workforce participation, \$2.6 billion for mortality costs and more than \$700 million for lost income due to family care giving. The total fiscal impact to state and local governments was \$1.5 billion, including \$934.5 million in cost shifting and unrealized state revenue and \$620.9 million in cost shifting a unrealized local government revenue.

•Cost shifting to other systems--Inadequate treatment leads to an increase in indirect public costs related to crime and criminal justice, homelessness and uncompensated health care. Local agencies, especially emergency rooms and jails, are already reporting a sharp increase in patients with mental illness that have nowhere else to turn.

·Human impact--Suicide claims the lives of thousands of Texans each year. On average, nearly six people a day die from suicide every day in Texas- more than the number that die of homicide or of HIV/AIDS. Over ninety percent of suicide victims have a significant mental illness at the time of their

Treatment- When it is

success for serious mental illnesses ranges from 60 to 80 percent, whereas the treatment success rate for heart disease ranges from only 40-50 percent.

However, the mental health system in Texas is in crisis, and starting off the legislative budget process with a 10% cut to critical mental health services will have a devastating impact on thousands of children, youth and adults with mental disorders.

# Scranton

The Scranton musical will be held at the community center on Saturday, August 5. The kitchen begins serving at 5:30 and the music begins at

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The best kinds of family breakfasts aren't always at home.



Thursday, August 3, 2006

YOU DON'T SAY Rebecca Elizabeth Marier was the Musical Saturday first woman to graduate top of the class at West Point, the US Military Academy. The rankings are based on academic, military and physical accomplishments.

> Write-in votes for the Academy Awards were disallowed after 1935.

The last U.S. president to be born in a log cabin was James Garfield.

The total number of Americans killed in the Civil War is greater than the combined total of Americans killed in all other wars.

The Union ironclad, Monitor, was the first U.S. ship to have a flush toi-

The very first bomb dropped by the Allies on Berlin during World War II killed the only elephant in the Berlin Zoo.

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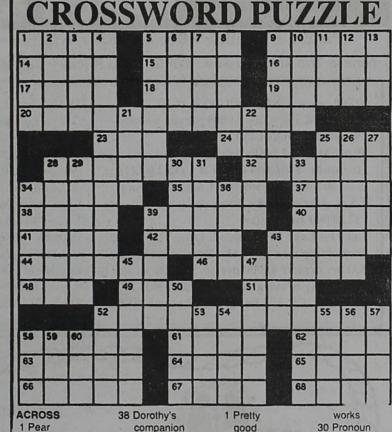
Cannibalism, eating human flesh, is also called anthropophagy.

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decades earlier in 1981.

Only 14% of the children emotional disorder and eligible for services receive from the U.S. Centers for tion shows that more than 40 percent of uninsured children in Texas went without medical care for an entire year, to have private health insurance that puts caps or limits or exclusions on mental health care, it is likely that a large

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# Tidbits...by H.V.O.

WORD JUST received that a BANKS OF EASTLAND Texas Historical Marker has been approved, according to Ed Allcorn of the County Historical Society who has worked so hard to get all the data together for the State Historical Commission. These designations are much harder to get now, since the Commission spokesman says, "We're now looking for quality, not quantity." They apparently believe that there are plenty of markers in the state. Persons wishing to contribute toward the purchase of the \$1,250.00 Bank marker they do so by contacting Allcorn at 254-629-2600. Wording will be developed after the Commission receives funds for the marker. Further plans for dedication, etc., will be announced later.

ROB KING and JAMES FULLEN have their respective auto lots FULL, out on E. Main St., so now probably is BEST TIME to talk NEW CAR TURKEY with them.

INA, LONGTIME operator of Antiques and Uniques, has expanded with the purchase of Commerce St. Merchantile (formerly Hogs n' Clover). In between is The Tumbleweed operated by Helen Cooper and Patsy Davis has developed a top shop (Somewhere In Tyme) at the east end of that Southof-the-Square block. Further east on Commerce, one finds

Vicki Carlisle's FLEA MARKET of vast domain. And don't forget the Northside-of-square where Mrs. Jaycie Storm has collection...We hear rumors of two more antique centers on the drawing boards...

OVER THE years we've been "audited" by Bullock's Raiders, (remember that State Tax operation) and came out smelling like unto a rose; the I.R.S. (painless); O.S.H.A. (ouch!); and questioned by FBI, NSA and CIA about other individuals; and Postal Inspectors, who always gave us clean bill. We've recently been interviewed by Medicare operatives looking into circumstances in this area...The National Security Agency agent some time back was a talkative fellow and shared some exciting stories about intriguing events he'd lived through around the world.

WOW! YOU must see the Eastland Room at the County Museum--it is a top drawer attraction accurately detailing this town's history in artifacts, prose and pictorials. A salute of the top hat to Ellyssa Ford and Jeanne Griffin (and possibly a number of others) for putting together such an exciting addition to a GROWING institution...Also we had early peeks at the Olden Room where Mrs. Tommy (Mary) Warford, with helpers, is going to have another

exciting addition...Down the hall apiece, the Carbon room is a 'building under the pert guidance of Car Mayor Dale Walker others...Jeannie Pruei as pro tem seems pri become mayor of Ran lowing a couple of it tions there) promises to that the Ranger and its related Oil-Boom history will definitely be a major attraction. Do we understand that this could include Desdemona and other oil boom related neighbors?...Dr. Duane Hale has made MAJOR contributions for the Cisco Room, which is still in a state of development...(A Hint: later this year.

We're putting together what we hope will be a major exhibit extolling the county's history as a major poultry and poultry product center. There'll be some surprises along the way.)...P.S.: If you were granted the invitation, what would YOU recommend as an attraction for the Museum? There are collections (barbed wire, bottles, bricks, hub caps and whathave-you) that would be of interest...However, the overall theme is to tell the country's history--not be a depository of assorted bric brac...Except a major traveling exhibit for some time

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# Kokomo News

By Zelda Jordan

I'll start the column this week by asking everyone to PRAY FOR RAIN. It is so hot and dry, and we at Kokomo, and I,m sure others, get uneasy when we hear of the grassfires in the area like the one in the Comanche area on Sunday.

We know first hand what a fire out of control can do.

Bro. Jim Haggard of Strawn preached at the Kokomo Baptist Church on Sunday morning. The scripture was from Luke 24:13-35. The title of his message was "A Terrible, Horrible, No Good, Very Bad Day", telling us that when life doesn,t make any sense, and we are having a very bad day we should go to the scriptures for help and comfort. Jesus Christ is the answer.

"Happy Birthday" was sung to James Little. "Redeemed, How I Love To Proclaim It" was beautifully rendered by the choir: Ruth Rodgers, Karen Patterson, Helen Browning, Kay Snider, Aletha Burgess, Woodrow Browning, Joe Bond, Oren Webb and Thomas Seay with Glynda Bond at the piano. Oren and Norma Webb were on a mission trip to help at the Big Country Baptist Assembly at Lueders from Monday until Thursday last week and gave a brief report of the activities at the camp.

The Sunday night services were dismissed so members Singing at the First Baptist Church in Gorman. We had a wonderful time lifting our voices in song together and enjoying the special music. A time of fellowship and refreshments was enjoyed in the fellowship hall following the singing. Our thanks to the ladies who prepared the food.

Bro. Jimmy Nelson will preach at the Kokomo Baptist Church on Sunday, Au-

A great time was had by all at the hamburger and ice cream supper, and game night at the home of Joe and Glynda Bond on July 22. The hamburgers were so good and there was plenty of delicious homemade ice cream to enjoy following the games

Our community was saddened to hear of the death of Phyllis Donaldson Wright of Eastland. Phyllis was a former resident of Kokomo and had many friends here. We extend sincere sympathy to her sister, Wanda Bryant of Carbon, and brothers, Jake Donaldson of Eastland, Glenn Donaldson of Artesia, NM and Danny Donaldson of Houston and other family members. Phyllis was buried in the Simpson Cemetery on Tuesday, July 25.

Sharon and Roy Davis of Odessa, Doris Bradshaw of could attend the 5th Sunday Gorman, Sylvia Buchanan and Zelda Jordan visited with who will be remembered Nancy Hendricks.

Justin Snider of Gorman visited with LaVon Snider.

James and Chelsea Webb of Granbury visited with Oren and Norma Webb on Saturday.

Joe and Glynda Bond met Shannon, Raegan and Sydnie Bond of Copperas Cove in Goldthwaite on Thursday and Raegan and Sydnie came home with their grandparents for a visit until Saturday when Joe, Glynda and the girls met Shannon, Stephanie and Joey at the park in Goldthwaite for a visit, then all had dinner together at a restaurant in Goldthwaite before returning to their homes.

the bedside of her brother, Arvel Lewallen of Denver City who was critically ill in the VA hospital in Amarillo last week. Arvel passed away on July 20. His funeral was held in Denver City on July 22 with burial in the Lazbuddie Cemetery. Arvel

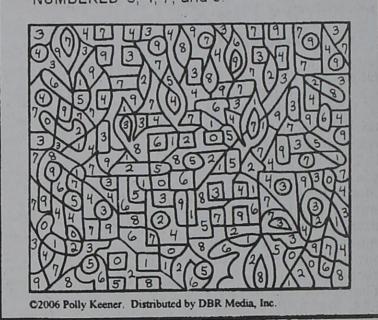
here as "Popeye" was a former resident of Kokomo in the mid to late 1940s and attended school at Carbon, and had visited here many times since.

Glenda Black and Sheri, Ryan, Kody and Emily Daniell of Abilene and Zelda visited in the home of Cindy and Kayla Jordan in Lubbock and all attended the funeral for Arvel. Zelda also visited in the homes of Wanda Russell in Floydada, Barbara and Bo Bell in Denver City and Laverne Winn in Muleshoe before returning home. Glenda, Cindy and Kayla, Wanda and Barbara and Bo also visited in Laverne's home and Cindy, Zelda Jordan was called to Kayla, Glenda and Zelda visited in Littlefield with Cindy's parents, Carl and Wanda Thompson.

> Many thanks for the flowers, telephone calls, cards, words of comfort and the prayers that has uplifted us so much during our time of losing our dear brother.

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By Alex Howel

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# **Obituary**

# **Christine Dugan**

BAIRD-

Christine Dugan, age, 86, of Baird passed away Wednesday, July 26, 2006 in an Abilene Hospital. A Graveside service was held at 1:0 a.m. on Saturday, July 29, 2006, in Ross Cemetery. Annex, directed by Parker Funeral Home. Jim Hall of-

Christine was born January 27, 1920 in Dudley, TX to Albert Rister and Irvie

Curtis Sean Dugan of Clyde;

her sister, Barbara "Bobbie"

Snowden and husband Bill

of Abilene; her brother Paul

Burns, Jr. of Clyde and

Terry; six grandchildren;

Amber, Anthony and Alisha

Dugan of Clyde, Bella Jack-

son and Brittney Rice of

Abilene and Tracy Gillespie

of Sherman, two great

grandchildren and several

nieces and nephews, her

puppy, Emma Lou and many

McCoy, Denis Utley, Gary

McCartney, Larry Cornoyer,

and Robert Miller, W.A.

MCKeever, Mark Brown &

Brruce Baker will be honor-

thank Texas Oncology,

Hendrick Hospice Care, and

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to the Noah Project, the

American Cancer Society or

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Pallbearers will be Ronnie

Eddie

## Gloria Kay Dugan

Gloria Kay Dugan, 58, of Clyde, passed away Wednesday, July 26, 2006 after a batle with cancer. Graveside services were to be Saturday, July 29th, 10:00 a.m. at the Clyde Cemetery under the direction of the Parker Funeral Home of Baird with James Hallmark officiating. Visitation was to be Friday evening from 6:00 to 8:00 at the Parker Funeral Home.

Gloria was born on October 25, 1947 in the Tye community to Paul and Mattie Burns. She attended and graduated from Clyde High School and Glen and Lottie's School of Cosmetology. in Abilene. She was the owner and operator of Gloria's Beauty Salon in Clyde for a number of years before moving and residing in Houston. She returned to her home in Clyde and has been prison Guard for the past eight years at the Middleton Prison Unit in Hamby.

She was preceded in death by her parents, her son, Robert Anthony, "Bobb" Dugan and two Sisters, Virginia Burns and june VanCleave. She is survived by her son,

CLYDE--Velma Mae Morrison, 82, of Clyde died Sunday at a local hospital

Church of Christ.

Armstrong Rister. She had

lived in Baird since 1984, companion, Zeno Anjady; moving here from Ruidoso, one daughter, Brenda

N>M> She was retired busi- Anjady, James of Baird;

ness owner and a member of nieces, nephews, and many

**Parker Funeral** 

Services were at 10:00 a.m. on Tuesday at First Baptist Church in Clyde with Dr. Toby Henson officiating. Burial was to follow in the Clyde Cemetery under the direction of Bailey Funeral Home.

Mrs. Morrison was born August 28, 1923 in Callahan County to Silas Alexander and Elizabeth (Judd) Barton. She then grew up in Clyde and graduated from Clyde High School in 1942. She married Ted B. Morrison in Abilene on July 29, 1945, who preceded her in death August 7, 1983. She had retired from the Abilene State School and was a member of the First Baptist Church Clyde.

She is survived by: two

Velma Mae Morrison sons, Larry Morrison and wife, Fay of Sanger, and Ted Morrison and wife, Nancy of Abilene; one daughter Marcie Lipham and husband, Fred of Abilene; one daughter-in-law, Marie Biggs of Princeton; three brothers, Ralph Barton and wife, Frances, Bill Barton & wife Alice, and Royce Barton and wife, Betty all of El Paso; one sister-in-law, Leta Barton of Elpaso; a special

Survived by: Longtime

more children she raised.

Mashburn.

Visitation was from 6 to 8 p.m. on Monday at the funeral home.

### (Petty) Taylor **Evelyn Alberta**

**BAILEY FUNERAL-HOME** 

Clyde-Evelyn Alberta Petty) Taylor, 81 of Abilene, died Wednesday, July 26, 2006 at a local hospital.

Serices were to be at 10:00 a.m. on Monday at the First Baptist Church Chapel of Clyde with Rev. Robert Lyon officiating. Burial followed in Clyde Cemetery under the direction of Bailey Funeral Home.

Mrs. Taylor was born Noember 16, 1924, in Weinert, Texas to Ammon and Maggie Azilee (Medley) Petty. She graduated from Clyde High School in 1942 as Valedictorian. She was the home.

widow of Ralph G. Taylor whom she married on February 8, 1946 in Clyde. The two moed to Abilene from Clyde in 1943. Mrs. Taylor was a homemaker as well member of the First Baptist Church in Clyde since May of 1937.

Survivors include one son, Michael Taylor of Clyde; one brother, Paul Petty of Orlando, Florid.; one sister, Dorothy Alexander of Pasadena, TX and numerous nieces, nephews and cousins.

Visitation was to be Sunday 4-6 p.m. at the funeral

and 15 great-grandchildren. Velma was preceded in death by, a son, Michael Biggs, three brothers, Robert Barton, Raymond Barton, and Perry Barton; and a sister, Annie Lou (Tucker\_

friend, Kenneth Anfenson of

Clyde; three grandchildren

cities and counties in meeting this requirement, the West Central Texas Council of Governments, and its contractor, H20 has initiated development of multijurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan

County; NOW, therefore, be it

1. Adopts those portions of the Plan Entitled "West Central Texas

**Resolution Adopting Hazard** Mitigation Action Plan
Callahan County
Rural properties for

Resolution Adoption of the Hazard **Mitigation Action Plan** WHEREAS,, Certain areas of Callahan County

are subject to periodic Flooding and other natural and man-made hazards with the potential to cause harm to people and damages to property within the area, and

WHEREAS, Callahan County desires to prepare and mitigate for shuch circumstances; and

WHEREAS, under the Disaster Mitigation Act of 2000, the United States Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) requires that local jurisdictions have in place a FEMA approved Hazard Mitigation Action Plan as a condition of receipt of certain future Federal mitigation funding after November 1, 2004; and

WHEREAS, to assist Partners, Inc. of Austin, TX covering Jurisdictions within the West Central Texas Council of Governments, including Callahan

resolved, that the Commissioners Court of Callahan County hereby

Rural properties for sale in all five states also can be searched by going to www.FarmCreditBank.com and clicking on Real Estate Council of Governments Creating a Disaster-Resistant Region in West Central Texas" 2004-2009, that pertain to Callahan County;

2. Vests the Callahan County Judge with the Responsibility, Authority, and The Means

(a) Inform all concerned parties of this action.

(b) Develop an addendum to this Hazard Mitigation Plain if the County's unique situation warrants such an addendum.

3. Appoints the Callahan County Judge to assure that the Hazard Mitigation Plan be reviewed at least annually and that any needed adjustments to the County's Addendum to the Hazard Mitigation Action Plan be developed and presented to the Commissioners' Court for consideration.

4> Agrees to take such other official action as may be reasonably necessary to carry out the objectives of the Hazard Mitigation Action Plan.

Approved and Adopted by the Callahan County Commissioners' Court, this 10th day of July, 2006.

(s)igned, Roger Corn, Callahan County Judge.

signed, Jeanie Bohannon, Callahan County l e r

Read the Callahan Star-Baird Star, Anyway Thanks for Reading!

### August 4-6

# **Upcoming Sales** Tax Holiday

Consumers across the state will soon be able to take advantage of the upcoming back-to-school sales tax holiday, announced State Representative Jim Keffer (R-Eastland). The annual Sales Tax Holiday is set for the first full weekend in August.

"Texans have the opportunity to save millions of dollars during this program," said Representative Keffer. "I strongly encourage the citizens of District 60 to invest in their community by shopping locally, and parents can then focus their resources on their children's education, healthcare or whatever they deem most necessary."

From Friday morning to midnight on Sunday, August 4-6, shoppers will be able to purchase most clothes and shoes without paying any sales taxes. The holiday will help expand parents' spending power to more easily obtain much needed items for their children's education.

The tax break will apply to both state and local sales taxes adding up to a large amount of savings. Retailers have seen an increased number of shoppers during the holiday comparable to the days after Thanksgiving and Christmas.

During the period, clothes and shoes, including boots that sell for less than \$100 will not be taxed. However, tax will still be due on athletic and protective clothing that is not normally worn except for their intended use. For example, items such as metal baseball cleats, rarely worn except for when playing baseball, will still be taxed. Additionally, taxes will still be due on sales of accessories, jewelry, handbags, luggage, umbrellas, wallets, watches, and similar items.

For more information about the sales tax holiday, please visit the Texas Comptroller's web site at www.window.state.tx.us or call toll free at 1-800-252-5555.

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# 2007 U.S.D.A. Conservation Program Meeting

The Callahan Coounty U.S.D.A. Service Center will be hosting a public meeting in Baird on Monday, August 21st, 2006 at 9:00 a.m. to provide information and discuss the implementation of the various conservation programs authorized by the Farm Security and Rural Investment Act of 2002 (Farm Bill). This meeting is open to the public and all agriculture Producers, Landowners and interested citizens of Callahan County are encouraged to attend. The meeting will be held at the Callahan County Courthouse in the County Courtroom located on the 2nd Floor. The meeting will begin promptly at 9:00 a.m. and will end at 12 noon.

A Brief description of the Conservation Program and topics to be discussed at this meeting include Continuous Conservation Reserve Program (CCRP)-provides annual Rental Payments and cost-share assistance to establish long term, Resource Conserving covers on eligible Farmland.

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a local Work Group meeting. The Local Work Group is made up of amandated limited membership that includes the Callahan Divide SWCD Board, Farm Service Agency County Committee, the Callahan County Extension Agent, The NRCS and FSA employees.

If you have an interest in how the Conservation Programs authorized by the 2002 Farm Bill can help you on your farm or, If you have questions, please call NCRS office in Baird at 325-854-1349, EXT 3.