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## Flu Clinic Is Jan. 10

The Texas Department of State Health Services will be holding a FLU CLINIC at the Baird Senior Citizens Center, 401 Chestnut in Baird on Monday, January 10 from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon.

The following CDC guidelines, vaccine will be available for:

- \* People age 50 years of age or older
- \* People with qualifying chronic health conditions

- \* Women who will be pregnant this flu season

- \* People who live in nursing care facilities

- \* Health-care workers with direct patient care

- \* Children age 6 months to 23 months

- \* Household contacts of babies under 6 months.

Medicare and Medicaid will be accepted as full payment.

A \$10 donation will be accepted for others.

## District Games Begin Friday for Baird HS Basketball Teams

*Baird JH Plays Cross Plains Thursday*

Baird JV Girls and Varsity Girls will challenge Cross Plains in their first District Games of the season on Friday, Jan. 7. The Games will be in Baird, starting at 6:00 PM.

District Games continue on Tuesday, Jan. 11 for the JVG, JVB, VG and VB when the Baird teams meet Gorman there, beginning 4:00 PM.

On Friday, January 14, Baird's JVG, JVB, Varsity Girls and Boys meet Albany in their third District Game. The games will be in Baird, starting at 4:00 PM.

A hamburger supper will be hosted from 5-7 PM in the

Baird school cafeteria by BHS Project Graduation before the Baird/Albany high school basketball games. The meal will be \$5 each.

Baird Junior High is slated to meet Cross Plains in Cross Plains at 5:00 PM on Thursday, Jan. 6.

The 7th Grade will go to Albany on Saturday, Jan. 8 for the Albany Tourney.

On Monday, Jan. 10 at 5:00 PM, Baird Junior High teams will challenge Gorman in Baird.

All games will be played in the following order:

7th girls, 7th boys, 8th girls, 8th boys.

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## Project Graduation To Host Hamburger Supper

Baird High School Project Graduation is hosting a hamburger supper before the Baird/Albany basketball games. It will be January 14th from 5-7 pm in the

school cafeteria. The meal will be \$5 each. The parents of the Senior class appreciate your support in all of the fund raisers this year.

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## West Texas Rehab Telethon Bidding Is Underway...NOW!

Though the 35th annual telethon benefiting West Texas Rehabilitation Center won't be aired until January 15, the telethon auction website is now open for bids on more than 350 retail items and dozens of handcrafted quilts and afgans. Log on at [www.rehabauction.org](http://www.rehabauction.org).

If you're looking for

something with four wheels, take your choice of a 2005 Chevrolet Silverado with extended cab, a 2005 Ford Mustang, a 2005 Pontiac G6 or a Polaris Ranger...or how about a Tige boat, a Texas Motor Speedway experience, or a six-person spa?

With 17 categories of retail

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**Texas Department of State Health Services** will hold the following Immunization clinics in Callahan County:

**Monday, Jan. 10th**

**Baird Cafetorium 400 W. 7th**

Time 1:30 - 3:30

(Please note time change for this clinic)

**Wednesday Jan. 12th**

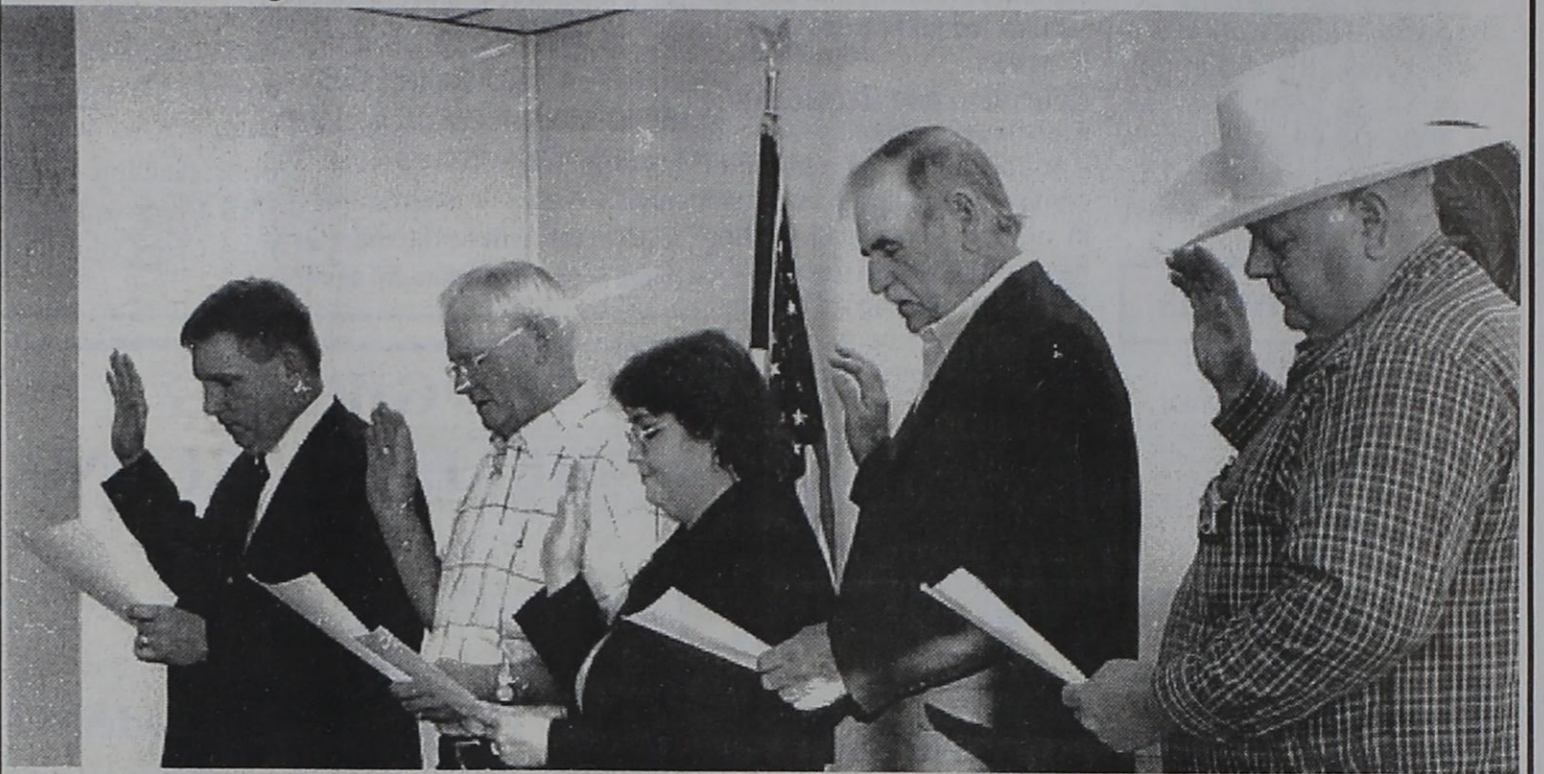
**Clyde First Baptist Church 216 Austin**

Time 10-12 & 1:30 - 3

**Please bring child's Immunization Records**

For more information call 325/754-4945

## County Officials Take Oath Of Office



In an official ceremony on Friday, December 31, 2004 at 4:00 PM, Callahan County officials elected to office in the November 2, 2004 elections were sworn in to office. Newly elected County Attorney Shane Deel, (L to R) incumbent Commissioner Harold Hicks, Prec. #1, incumbent County Tax Assessor & Collector Tammy Walker, incumbent Commissioner Tommy Holland, Prec. #3, and incumbent County Sheriff Eddie Curtis are shown raising their right hand to take the oath of office, given by County Judge Roger Corn. Judge Corn congratulated each of the officials. Following the ceremony, guests and officials gathered at a reception. *staff photo*

## County Commissioners Hold Last 2004 Meeting

Callahan County Commissioners held their last open meeting of 2004 on December 31.

On the agenda were the opening and accepting of bids for motor graders for Precinct #1 and #3, and the approval of official bonds for newly elected county officials.

Warren Cat and New Holland both made a bid for Precinct #3.

Commissioner Holland made a motion to accept the bid from Warren Cat for \$41,950.00. The motion was seconded by Bryan Farmer and carried unanimously.

Commissioner Hicks made a motion to accept the bid from Warren Cat for \$53,950.00.

The motion was sec-

onded by Commissioner Grider and carried 5-0.

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missioners.

Commissioner Holland made the motion to approve the bonds; Commissioner Farmer seconded the motion, which carried 5-0.

The bonds are as follows: Joel Shane Deel - County Attorney - \$5,000.00

Harold Hicks - Commissioner Precinct #1 - \$5,000.00

Tommy Holland - Com-

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## Callahan County Now Part Of 19th District

With the beginning of 2005, Callahan County has become a part of the Congressional 19th District.

The new district starts with Eastland County on the far eastern tip, and stretches west to the border of New Mexico.

Counties in the district include Eastland, Callahan, Stephens, Taylor, Young, Lubbock, Archer (part), Shackelford, Fisher, Nolan (part), Kent, Garza, Borden, Howard, Lynn, Floyd, Hale, Gaines, Yoakum, Cochran, Lamb, Bailey, Farmer, Castro, and Deaf Smith.

Representing the 19th Congressional District is Congressman Randy Neugebauer of Lubbock.

Congressman Neugebauer's Washington office has recently been moved from 1026 Longworth House Office Building to Cannon House Office Building, located one block east of the Longworth building on Independence Ave.

The phone number for Neugebauer's Washington office remains 202-225-4005; Fax: 202-225-9615.

In addition, Congressman

Neugebauer can be contacted through his website: [www.randy.house.gov](http://www.randy.house.gov) or by email at [randy@mail.house.gov](mailto:randy@mail.house.gov).

Congressman Randy Neugebauer has also announced the opening of an office in Abilene, TX.

The office will be located in the Enterprise Building, 500 Chestnut St., Room 819.

Jeremy Brown has been chosen as regional director of the office.

Brown was Neugebauer's 2004 campaign field director for Abilene.

He is from Lubbock, and a 2004 graduate of Texas Tech University.

A resident of Abilene, Sylvia Leal, will join Brown as Abilene's office manager.

According to the media, Leal worked prior to joining Neugebauer's staff for Texas State Technical College in Abilene.

Neugebauer described both Brown and Leal as valuable additions to his staff.

A phone number for the Abilene office is listed as (325) 675-9779; Fax: (325) 675-5038.

## DSHS Ready To Resume Winter Time Rabies Bait Drop Program In Texas

It may not be a typical dinner bell, but the purring sound of an airplane engine signals to hungry coyotes and gray foxes that food is arriving. And as these wild animals in South and West-Central Texas chow down this winter, health officials hope to continue tracking fewer incidences of canine and gray fox rabies.

The Oral Rabies Vaccination Program (ORVP) at the Texas Department of State Health Services (DSHS) enters its second decade with a stack of statistics showing dramatic drops in these types of rabies.

"Surveillance indicates (Continued Inside ....)

that the program continues to show measurable results year after year," said DSHS veterinarian Tom Sidwa, ORVP director. "No human cases of rabies in either area have occurred since the vaccine airdrop began. And there have been no animal cases of canine or gray fox rabies outside the original containment zones since the program's beginning."

In early January, about 2.7 million baits will drop from five specially-equipped airplanes flying across 44 Texas counties. The first flight takes off Jan. 7,

## The Big Cleanup Dumpster

will be available at

Baird City Barn 233 East 2nd

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**JOB DESCRIPTION**  
Performs entry-level transportation maintenance work. Work requires use of maintenance tools and equipment. Work requires contact with private entities. Employees at this level follow standard practices that do not require frequent supervision of details.

**Education and Experience**

Entry level position. Applicants may submit completed applications either in person or by mail to the nearest TxDOT location. Locations, mailing addresses and phone numbers of TxDOT districts and the Austin Central offices can be found on the back of the Applicant Information Sheet attached to the application packet. Resumes will be accepted for whatever additional information they may contain, but not in lieu of a completed application.

**Applications will be accepted from December 31, 2004 until 5:00 p.m. on January 14, 2005.** For additional information about the job qualification requirements and application instructions, please call the Brownwood Human Resources office at 325-646-2591.

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**From Page One ... Rehab Telethon**

merchandise plus all the quilts and afghans, the Rehab telethon auction has something for everyone...thanks to generous donations from retail businesses in The Friendly Frontier and Concho Valley.

Auction bidding will continue on-line until midnight on January 15. The toll free number to call and bid between 6 p.m. and midnight that evening is 866-219-7013.

While keeping tabs on bids for an item of particular interest, a great way to spend January 15 from 7 p.m. to midnight is to watch Rehab 2005, a five-hour television special featuring fast-paced entertainment. Country-western singer Joe Nichols will be the show's headliner. Recipient of sev-

eral Country Music Association awards, Nichols has a string of recording hits including The Impossible and Brokenheartsville.

Others sharing the spotlight will be 20 year-old Kristy Lee, a fast-rising female vocalist from Dallas who's equally comfortable with country music and pop ballads; cowboy sing/poet Red Steagall, Anacani, Brad Maule and Bill and Susan Hayes. Charlie Chase and Peter Marshall will share the hosting role for Rehab 2005.

Underwriting for the show is being provided by AEP-American Electric Power and Associated Publishing/Area-Wide Phone Book. Auction sponsors are NTS Communications and Blue Cross Blue Shield of Texas.

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CASES INVESTIGATED

Warnings - 91  
Complaints - 172  
DWI - 1  
Driving While License Invalid - 1  
Suspended License - 1  
Carry Prohibited Weapon - 1  
Possession of Marijuana - 1  
**ACCIDENTS**  
There were 3 accidents investigated during this time.

**Remember To Renew Your Subscription**

People grow through experience if they meet life honestly and courageously. This is how character is built.  
—Eleanor Roosevelt

You cannot dream yourself into a character; you must hammer and forge yourself one.  
—James A. Froude

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52 acres by Lake Cisco, over half a mile of road frontage that is within 200 yards of Lake Cisco shoreline, mostly wooded with oak trees, hill overlooking Lake Cisco, canyons, deer, hogs, turkey, dove, quail, \$62,400.  
78 acres, wooded and cleared, 1 pond, 2 barns, concrete water plus nice 1 room efficiency home with full bath, \$99,000. **SOLD**  
83 acres mostly wooded with mature oak trees, easy access, good hunting/recreation property, deer, hogs, turkey, dove, quail, \$99,700. **SOLD**  
90 acres wooded and open fields, trees include live oak, post oak & mesquites, 1 pond, seasonal creek, wildlife includes deer, turkey, hogs, dove, quail. \$89,500.  
95 acres wooded with mature oak trees, large hill pond, setup with deer blinds & feeders, deer, hogs, turkey, dove, quail \$8,075. **SOLD**  
97 acres by Lake Cisco, over a mile of road frontage that is within 200 yards of Lake Cisco shoreline, mostly wooded with oak trees, large hill overlooking Lake Cisco, canyons, pond, deer, hogs, turkey, dove, duck, quail, \$116,400.  
110 acres mostly wooded w/large mesquite timber, Eubank Creek runs through the property, 3 ponds, 2 hills, 1 field, water line, electricity, minerals, deer, turkey, hogs, dove, duck, quail, \$995/ac.  
117 acres mostly wooded with mesquite and oak trees, 3 fields, 3 ponds, hill top view, old water well, electricity, minerals, deer, turkey, hogs, dove, duck, quail. \$995/ac.  
177 acres by Lake Cisco, over a mile of road frontage within 200 yards of Lake Cisco shoreline, mostly wooded with oak trees, very large hills overlooking Lake Cisco, canyons, pond, deer, hogs, turkey, dove, duck, quail, \$212,400.  
306 acres, wooded with 35 acre field, mature mesquite timber, older rock house, ponds, deer, turkey, quail, dove, \$125 per acre. **SOLD**  
326 acres by Lake Cisco, over three miles of road frontage within 200 yards of Lake Cisco shoreline, mostly wooded with oak trees, very large hills overlooking Lake Cisco, canyons, 2 ponds, will divide, deer, hogs, turkey, dove, duck, quail, \$391,200.  
850 acres some high game land, mostly wooded, oak timber, waterline, large hills, creek bottoms, 4 fields, 6 ponds, deer, turkey, quail, dove, \$715 per acre. **SOLD**  
\*\*\*HOMES WITH ACREAGE\*\*\*  
66 acres w/3 BR home, newer construction, ready to be completed by new buyer. Home sits on tall hill, excellent view of Lake Cisco, mostly wooded w/Post Oaks, creeks, 2 ponds, deer, turkey, dove, quail, \$125,000.  
172 acres w/3BR home, barn, pond, water well, deer, turkey, dove, quail. \$189,200. **SOLD**  
\*\*\*HOMES\*\*\*  
2 BR, 1 bath home, carport, attached storage, \$12,500.  
3 BR, 1 bath home, large room, separate DR, corner property, \$17,500. **SOLD**  
3 BR, 1 bath home, separate DR, shop and other outbuildings, \$19,500.  
2 BR, 1 bath home, CHA, mostly wooded, fenced backyard, corner property, \$23,000. **SOLD**  
2 BR 1 bath frame, recently remodeled, extra cabinets in dining area, CHA, deck, garage, fenced backyard, reduced to \$27,000. **SOLD**  
2 BR, 1 3/4 bath home, vinyl siding, double carport with attached storage, fenced backyard, \$32,500.  
3 BR, 1 bath home, separate DR, computer room, big kitchen, woodburning heater in LR, large pecan trees, \$33,000. **SOLD**  
2 BR, 1 bath home, could be converted into a 3BR home, 6 ceiling fans, inside and outside recently repainted and carpeted, fenced backyard, \$35,000. **SOLD**  
4 BR, 2 bath, lg. rooms, lots of character, separate DR, fenced yard, lg. corner property, reduced to \$34,000.  
2 BR, 1 bath home, separate office or den, CHA, carport, corner property, \$39,500.  
3 BR, 1 bath older brick veneer home, separate dining room, storm windows, detached garage/storage, corner property, \$39,500.  
2 BR, 1 3/4 bath home, veneer brick, CHA, WBFP, garage, covered patio, storage bldg, fenced backyard, \$48,500.  
3 BR, 1 1/2 bath, CH, separate DR, WBFP in LR and WB heater in den, patio, 2 large metal shops, 2 double carports, 3 lots.  
5 BR, 2 bath, 2 story home, lots of character, formal DR, office, large rooms, mostly wooden floors, 2 CHA units, surrounded by large oak and pecan trees, large corner property.  
\*\*\*LAKE CISCO\*\*\*  
2 BR Home, deck, boat dock, large oak trees, reduced to \$25,000. **SOLD**  
3 BR Home, many cabinets, woodburning heater, wooden deck, boat dock with boat house, large trees. Reduced to \$28,000. **SOLD**  
2 BR Home, CHA, fireplace, detached guest room, patio, boat dock, 2 car carport, storage bldg., large oak trees, reduced to \$30,000. **SOLD**  
2 BR Home, WBFP, nice view of lake from 2nd floor. Some landscaping with sprinkler system, deck and boat dock. **SOLD**  
Beautiful 2 BR, 1 3/4 bath home, CHA, WBFP, shop, storage bldg., large landscaped yard, tall oak trees, boat dock, great view of lake from DR, LR, den and master BR, many extras.  
\*\*\*COMMERCIAL\*\*\*  
Restaurant with large dining room, eqpt. and furniture, \$38,500. Owner would sell bldg. without eqpt. & furniture for less. Call for details.  
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# Post-Holiday Reflections

by Evelyn Kirk  
This holiday season has come and gone, and we must come back down to earth. We enjoyed Thanksgiving with family, food and fellowship. It was quickly pushed aside, to make way for the Christmas Extravaganza.

There is nothing quite like the way the trappings of Christmas become the focus of our life, for such a long period of time. The media helps to promote the hype that enhances our high level of anticipation. Our reactions cover a range of emotions, from joy and excitement, to the stress of trying to create the perfect holiday.

Then we finally move on to the New Year's Day observance. That also brings mixed feelings. We celebrate the arrival of a new year, but, at the same time, are a bit apprehensive at what it may bring. We traditionally make resolutions for self-improvement. We don't always trust our will power to keep them.

After the holidays, we feel a natural "let down", and the "Blues." We are told that January and February are the months when we experience the highest level of depression.

"Experts" take this time to advise us on how to deal with that depression. The pharmaceutical companies try to convince us, they have a pill that will solve the problem.

We are anxious and fearful about the current world situation, but feel helpless to do anything about it. We can, however, take some control over our own emotions, and attitude toward it. The elusive goal of happiness, is what we are all striving to reach. There are many theories and formulas that are supposed to help us to get there.

We know there is no magic plan, but there is a simple one, that seems to have possibilities. It states that happiness consists of, "Having something to do; something to love; and something to look forward to."

The "something to do" can be anything that occupies our time, and brings us satisfaction. For some, that may be accomplished by their career choice. For others, it can be spare time, or retirement activity. Many find it rewarding to perform volunteer services for others.

Some people choose to enrich their lives by meeting their own needs, with hobbies and various activities. A round of golf; a day of fishing; an afternoon of bridge; arts and crafts projects; travel; or just reading a good book, can contribute to individual happiness.

On the subject of keeping busy, St. Benedict said, "Idleness is the enemy of the soul." Howe observed, "The way to be nothing is to do nothing."

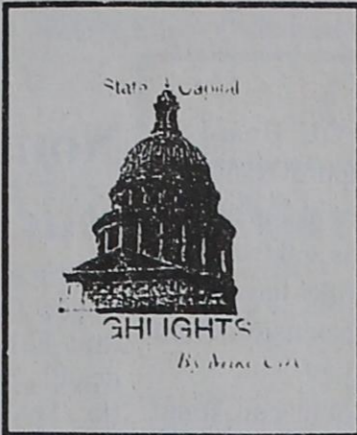
It is not difficult for most of us to find the "something to love." In general, there is always God, and our fellow man. Specifically, there are spouses, children, parents, sibling, other relative, and good friends. For some people, their beloved pet fits in that category.

According to Anais Nim,

"The only abnormality is the incapacity to love." Romantic poet Robert Browning wrote, "Take away love and our earth is a tomb."

The need to have "something to look forward to," is even recognized by children. Their eager anticipation, and dreams for the future, are what keeps them motivated. Adults need to make definite plans for things to look forward to. They can be as simple as getting together with friends, or as complex as planning a world cruise. Most of what is included in their "to do" list, can also be things to look forward to. An old American proverb says, "It is expectations that make blessings more dear."

Certainly there is no formula for happiness that contains all the essential elements. However, if we could include the something to do, the something to love, and the something to look forward to, in our 2005 agenda, perhaps it would help to make it a more positive year.



By Mike Cox  
**Bill redials proposal to ban cell phones while driving**

AUSTIN - An effort during the last regular session to ban behind-the-wheel cell phone use did not connect, but one pre-filed bill for the coming session is redialing the issue. House Bill 237 by Rep. Jose Menendez (D-San Antonio) would prohibit use of traditional cell phones while driving, but allow hands-free usage with headsets or voice-activated speakers. Sen. Rodney Ellis (D-Houston) is carrying the Senate version of the bill.

The fine for violating the ban would range from \$25 to \$100, with the range increasing to \$125 to \$200 if the violation occurs in a school crossing zone.

The most-recent Department of Public Safety statistics are some three years old, but they show that from 2000 to 2001, traffic crashes related to driver inattention from cell phone use grew from 716 to 1,032 - a 44 percent increase.

**Livestock IDs high-tech...**  
Texans have been notching ears or burning brands on the hides of their livestock for years, but the Texas Animal Health Commission is looking at a new, high tech way of identifying cattle, swine and poultry.

In something of an animal version of "1984," the state agency is working with the federal government along with various other states and private livestock associations across the nation in developing a National Animal Identification System.

Under the NAIS, livestock facilities such as ranches and feedlots will receive unique premises identification numbers. A pilot program of

electronic ear tags for livestock also is about to begin, with 80,000 tags to be placed on animals in Texas and Oklahoma.

The idea behind the effort is to facilitate government's ability to track animals in the event of an animal disease outbreak (as in Mad Cow disease) or some other animal health emergency, including terrorism.

Interested owners can get a facility identification number by contacting TAHC at 800-550-8242. Later this month, ranchers and facility owners will be able to register through the agency's Web site at [www.tahc.state.tx.us](http://www.tahc.state.tx.us).

**"SO"...what'd you get for Christmas?**

State Rep. Norma Chavez (D-El Paso) has been given the first "State Official" license plate for a motorcycle. The Texas Department of Transportation has been issuing elected state officials (SO) license plates since 1938. But no one ever asked

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for a SO plate for a motorcycle until avid motorcyclist Chavez requested one for her two-wheeler. TxDOT officials presented the plates to Chavez in El Paso last week. You have to be an elected official to get a SO plate, but motorcyclists have been able to buy other specialty license plates since last May.

Specialty plates for cars have been offered since 1965.

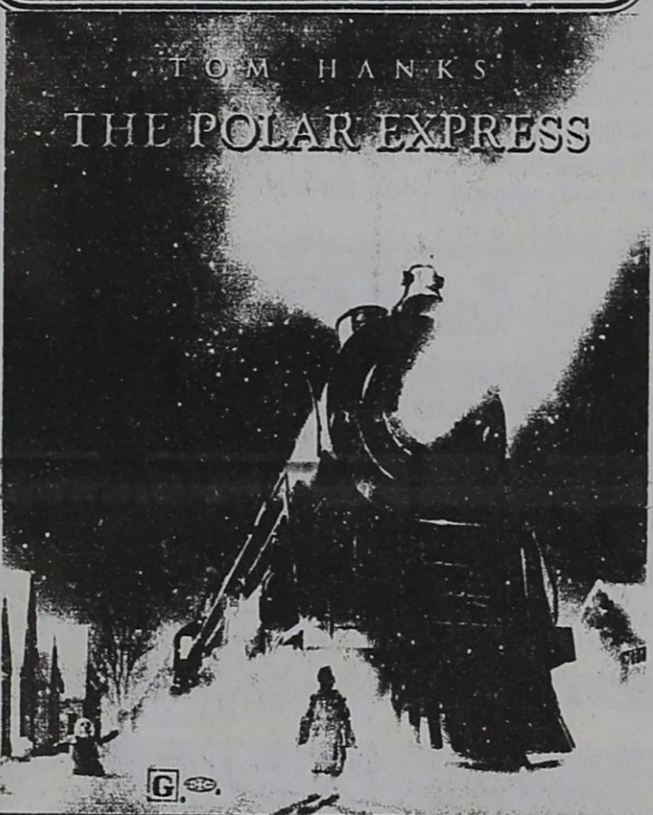
For information on the more than 100 specialty plate choices and how to apply, check the agency's Web site at [www.dot.state.tx.us](http://www.dot.state.tx.us).

**Start the New Year with a courthouse calendar...**

This year's Preservation Texas fund-raiser calendar features images of historic Texas courthouses restored with support from the Texas Historical Commission. Calendars can be ordered by calling 512-472-0101 or visiting [www.preservationtexas.org](http://www.preservationtexas.org).

## MAJESTIC THEATRE

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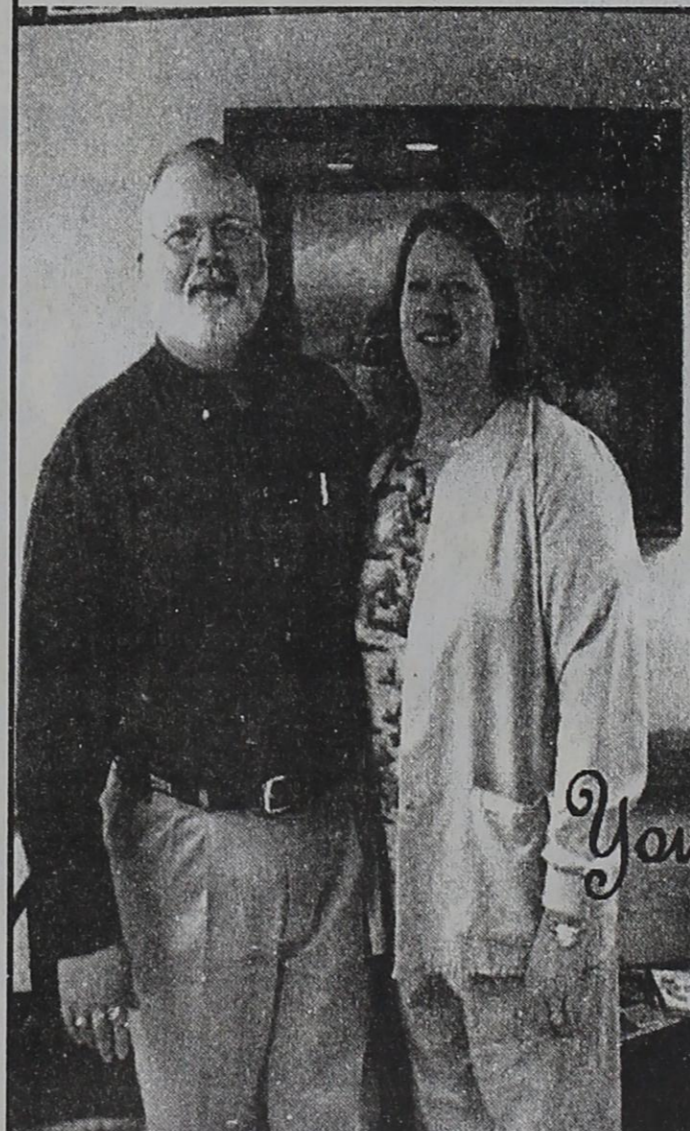
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# The Idle American

Commentary By Dr. Don Newbury

## Going In a Different Direction

It invariably comes across as tepid and insincere, this quote from college presidents when "powers that be" decide the old school needs to change football coaches. You've heard it, time and again: "We have decided to go in a different direction." (Actually, the desired direction is "up," the same direction the departing coach had promised to take the team when he took the job.)

Well, I've made a similar decision in the fresh and hopeful light of a brand new year. In this week's epistle, I'm going a different direction, defying logic and basic journalistic training. Topics will grow from the minutia to the meaningful.

If you are in such an all-fired hurry, go ahead and start at the bottom and work your way up. In so doing, though, you'll foul up my topsy-turvy plan to go in a different direction. It's your call.

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For starters, let us avoid steam and blood pressure build-ups in 2005 by looking beyond slick billboard messages and "shalts and shalt nots" of government postings. Sometimes marquee, t-shirts and bumper stickers offer more practical and/or enjoyable messages.

A few recent ones include: —I AM NOT tail-gating; I'm

flying in formation (on a bumper)

—Be patient; I'm trying to decide what you'd be like with a personality (on a t-shirt).

—We can tire, shock and brake you (at an auto repair shop) and

—It's a Boy (on a church marquee Christmas morning).

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Some people can speak volumes with facial expressions alone, often without making a sound. Four examples come to mind; they coach athletic teams going in various directions. They are professional football's Bill Parcells (Dallas Cowboys) and Bill Cowher (Pittsburgh Steelers) and a couple of university basketball coaches—Oklahoma State's Eddie Sutton and Texas Tech's Bobby Knight.

If they competed in a tag-team stare down match, do you think there'd ever be a winner? It might take more than "further reviews." If there's enough time for a "double header," let the same foursome compete to see who can frown the longest. Bring your calendar.

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Admit it now: We were on the same page a few days back—laughing like hyenas do—when Colby the Cat was granted two academic degrees by "Trinity Southern University" through the

magic of Internet. Colby's "bachelor's degree in business" cost undercover agents \$299, and they tossed in another \$99 for the feline to receive the "Executive MBA degree," too.

Now, as the world rallies to render aid to the teeming masses surviving the crashing waves of the tsunami, governments enter the hurry-up mode to develop systems to warn of approaching calamities. Until then, perhaps the best coastal residents can do is watch the animals. In the Asian catastrophe, animal losses were few; they knew to seek higher ground before the killer waves washed ashore. Oh that they could share their secret on when to take the high road. They'd deserve more than mere degrees.

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Sobering thoughts: The 58 30-second Super Bowl television commercials will cost advertisers a record \$2.4 million each. And 10 of them have been purchased by Anheuser-Busch. (Maybe after a few drinks, signing off on a \$24 million commitment for suds' promotion seems trivial.)

Meanwhile, David Boren, president of the University of Oklahoma, has dealt head-on with a problem facing schools across the land—alcohol. When a fraternity student there became the third alcohol-related death in the nation during the month of September, President Boren called underage drinking a "national epidemic."

Now, the OU Board of Regents has approved his 15-point plan banning alcohol in residence halls and fraternity houses. The rules have teeth, including suspension from the university.

The president can stand the heat generated in one of the hottest of kitchens; his is a bold and admirable effort to rescue students. He wants them to go in a different direction.

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To one and all: The happiest of new years! May it be marked by good health, prosperity and much happiness to you and to those you love. Deepest thanks to you for reading these weekly prattlings of "The Idle American."

And I offer a sincere "tip of the hat" to editors who find space for my thoughts that often are way beyond obscure and mighty likely to fly off in many different directions. Come March, the column enters year number three.

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## Nominate A Hero For TDA's Rural Heroism Award

Agriculture Commissioner Susan Combs announced that Feb. 2, 2005, is the deadline for nominations for the Texas Department of Agriculture's 2004 Rural Heroism Award.

Candidates must have performed a heroic, lifesaving act within Texas during 2004. The heroic deed should be related to farming or ranching and occur in a rural area. Automobile accidents or accidents caused by negligence will not be considered.

Nominations should include a written account of the incident and the names, addresses and telephone

numbers of everyone involved. If available, newspaper clippings and photographs should accompany all nominations.

Nominations must be postmarked by Feb. 2, 2005, and mailed to Lola Lemmon, TDA safety coordinator, Texas Department of Agriculture, P. O. Box 12847, Austin, Texas 78711. For additional information on qualifications, you can contact Lemmon at (512) 475-1611.

The 2004 recipient will be announced March 21 at the Texas Safety Association's Conference and Exposition in San Antonio.

## Angel Food Orders In By Monday, January 10th

The January Menu from Angel Food Ministries is: Boneless skinless chicken breast, beef short ribs, chicken tenders, cooked meatballs, chicken leg quarters, Polish sausage, pizza rolls, chili soup, pasta sauce, Florida oranges, cut corn, broccoli, onions, pancake mix, dessert item and a dozen eggs. All for the low cost of \$25.00. Also specials of chicken tenders, sirloin strip steaks, steaks and ribs combo box for \$16.00 and \$17.00

that you can order extra or just those items. This is excellent food for your family and or to be given to a family in need and be a blessing to them. Last day to order is Monday, January 10th and distribution date is January 22nd at the Life Center, corner of W. 8th and Ave E. in Cisco. To place orders call 442-1710, 442-4136, 442-2356 or visit Songs & Psalms Book Store, 442-3752 or Cotton's 442-2565 or in Eastland at Readers Choice Book Store 631-0063.

Promise Helpers and Angel Food Ministries want to thank each who has ordered in the past and pray that they and others will continue and bless their own families but those that are in need in this area. So be a blessing to someone and be blessed yourself. God has opened this door for food relief in this area and we praise Him for that.



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## 'Polar Express' Coming To Majestic

Another seasonal movie is coming to the Majestic Theater this week - a last glimpse of the Holidays.

"The Polar Express" will be showing from Friday, Jan. 7 through Monday, Jan. 10 with curtain time 7:30 nightly.

This animated picture is rated G -General Admission - and tickets are \$4 at the box office. Balcony seats are \$5.50, for adults only.

This Warner Bros. film is voiced by Tom Hanks and Michael Jeter, with Hanks playing several roles.

The story begins one Christmas Eve, when a little boy's belief in Santa Claus is about gone. Then he is alone in his bedroom in his Midwestern home, and suddenly there is a slight but marvelous puff of steam

from the radiator in front of his window.

Then there comes a fantastic little train across an expanse of snow, ready to whisk him off to Santa's domain at the North Pole. This is the Polar Express!

"The Polar Express" is based on the children's book by Chris Van Allsburg, and features ground-breaking computer generated animation. It brings to life the images in the prize-winning book.

This Christmas -Eve adventure has colorful landscapes and a number of interesting details. The stay at the North Pole is a fantasy of its own. Then the really exciting part arrives - it's time for the boy to go home!

Most will enjoy this movie with a Christmas theme.

## Fund Set Up For Jayden Justice At Farmers & Merchants Bank

A fund has been set up for Jayden Justice 10 month old son of Justin and Mandy Justice. He is the grandson of Chris and Lisa Justice of Eastland and Mike Warren of Gorman and Lacy Warren of Gorman. Jayden has Aortic Stenosis and will undergo

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## Obituaries

### Mark M. Van Auken

RANGER - Mark M. Van Auken, 88, of Ranger, died Saturday, January 1, 2005 at the Eastland Memorial Hospital. A memorial service was held at 1:00 p.m. Wednesday, January 5, 2005 at the Edwards Funeral Home Chapel in Ranger with Philip Van Auken officiating.

Mr. Van Auken was born August 15, 1916 in Helena, Montana to Elsworth and Delphia (Mitchell) Van Auken.

He served his country in the Army during World War II. He attended Washington State University and received a Masters of Music degree. He taught in public schools for a time and then went to work for El Paso Products as Personnel Manager for 30 years. He married Sarah Francis Foster in Odessa. He played with Big Bands and the El Paso Symphony for over 20 years as a Master Trumpet Player. He lived in Odessa from 1972 to 1983,

Ruidoso, N.M. from 1983 to 2003, and most recently Ranger.

Survivors include his wife, Francis Van Auken of Ranger; sons, Dr. & Mrs. Philip Van Auken of Waco, Mr. & Mrs. Charlie Van Auken of Cedar Hill, Mr. & Mrs. Craig Van Auken of El Paso, and Mr. & Mrs. Michael Hennech of Ranger; daughter, Linda Patrice "Pat" Winkel and husband Tom of Vashon, WA; grandsons, Michael Hennech II of Mineral Wells, Jarod Winkel of Vashon, WA, Matthew Van Auken and Daniel Van Auken, both of Waco, Mark Van Auken of El Paso; granddaughters, Cheryl (Hennech) Hatton of Glen Rose, Lisa Winkel of Vashon, WA, Cindy Van Auken of Waco, and Brenda Van Auken of El Paso.

In lieu of flowers the family asks that donations be made to the Ranger Volunteer Fire Department, 500 E. Loop 254, Ranger, TX 76470.

### Norman Lee Beck

MAY- Norman Lee Beck, 66, of May, Texas, died Sunday, January 2, 2005 at Lubbock Covenant Hospital after a brief illness.

Services will be held at the May First Baptist Church on Thursday, January 6, 2005 at 2 p.m. with Rev. Dennis Hester officiating. Burial will follow in the Pleasant Valley Cemetery. Davis-Morris Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

Mr. Beck was born January 31, 1938 in the Holder Community. He was one of ten children in the Beck family. He was a member of the Pleasant Grove Baptist Church. He attended school at Williams and May High Schools.

Survivors include 3 brothers, Vernon Beck of

Henderson, J.H. Beck of the Holder Community and Adron Beck of May; four sisters, Viola Cox of Brownwood, Velma Lancaster of Rising Star, Jewel Snow of Waterford, CA. and Vada Childers of Tye.

He was preceded in death by his parents, one brother, Melton Beck and one sister, Johnnie Eggar.

Memorials may be made to the Pleasant Valley Cemetery or to the May First Baptist Church building fund.



## He Said She Said

By Dr. & Mrs. D. P. Sadowski



### 2005 - A NEW BEGINNING

HE SAID:

It is so good to have a calendar where every twelve months we get a new beginning. We get a clean sheet of paper on which to write.

It is an excellent time to take stock of our lives and make the necessary changes. Oh, I am not talking about the proverbial new year resolutions that are soon broken or never started. I am talking about making real changes in our lives that we know need to be made.

I do not know what those changes may be for you. But I do know for me. And there is not a better time than now to deal with them. I am looking forward to improving my life and making 2005 an even better year than 2004. And it was a good one!

SHE SAID:

Genesis 1:1

"In the beginning God..."

Rev. 1:8

"I am Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the ending, saith the Lord, which is, which was, and which is to come, the Almighty."

John 1:1

"In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God."

The Hebrew word for beginning is raysheeth. It means to undertake, the first in place, time, order or rank, chief, principle thing, foundation.

We all know men that work in construction and things. You can ask any of them and they will tell you a building is only as good as its foundation. If your foundation is not solid you have nothing to build on.

It is a new year. We are at the root beginning, the foundation, of a new year. God Almighty has got to be our beginning or we have no solid foundation on which to build 2005. In the beginning God...

The year 2005 will be a much better one with God as the foundation! I don't know about you but I need Him!

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Eastland, Texas  
Proceedings (En Banc)  
December 30, 2004  
**Motion Submitted & Granted; Appeal Dismissed**

Wesley Daniel Cooley and Hitech Fire Detection Corporation v. Land Transformation Services, Inc., Austin. Appellants' unopposed motion to dismiss. (Per Curiam Memorandum Opinion)

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

**Motions Submitted & Granted**

Rogelio Miranda Baca v. State of Texas, Ector. Appellant's second motion for extension of time to file brief.

Robert Lee O'Neal v. State of Texas, Midland. State's motion for extension of time to file brief.

Juan Miguel Cortez v. State of Texas, Midland. Appellant's third motion for extension of time to file brief.

Benjamin Grover Brumit v. State of Texas, Throckmorton. Appellant's motion for extension of time to file brief.

**Motions Submitted & Overruled**

Pedro Castillo v. State of Texas, Howard. Appellant's pro se motion for appointed counsel.

Volo Al Nelson v. State of Texas, Taylor. Appellant's pro se motion of objection.

Samuel Joe Dela Rosa v. State of Texas, Coleman. Appellant's motion for rehearing. (Panel consists of

Chief Justice Arnot, Justice Wright, and Justice McCall). William Clay Pitts a/k/a William Clay Pitts, Jr., v. State of Texas, Erath. Appellant's motion for rehearing. (Panel consists of: Chief Justice Arnot, Justice

## A Rednecks Conversation With The President

By J.B. Johnston

With all due respect Mr. President. You have got to do something about the high price of gasoline. We are now paying \$1.75 a gallon here in Eastland, Texas and that is ridiculous. Yes sir, I know that is cheaper here than in most all countries of the world but you just don't understand. My SUV only gets 14 miles per gallon and I have to drive 50 miles one way to work each day unless I call in sick and then I have to drive 10 miles to Lake Leon to fish. Yes sir, I have to drive a SUV because it gets muddy on my deer lease and I need 4 wheel drive. Besides my deer lease has gone up from \$800 to \$1,000 a year and I haven't had a raise in salary for 3 years. My wife and I only have a combined salary of \$39,000 a year and with 2 children we are hardly getting by. Yes sir, I know that a gallon of gas pushes a 4,000 pound SUV, with all its contents 14 miles for just \$1.75. No sir, I have never tried to push a SUV 14 miles by myself. Yes sir, I would probably get something lighter to push if I had to push it by hand. But sir I wouldn't want to push a wheelbarrow 14 miles for \$1.75. But sir that is beside the point. You see we have to attend the Cowboy games

Wright, and Justice McCall). Daniel Joseph Doshier v. State of Texas, Ector. Appellant's motion for rehearing. (Panel consists of: Chief Justice Arnot, Justice Wright, and Justice McCall). Randall Franklin Caraway v. State of Texas, Eastland. Appellant's pro se motion to represent himself on appeal.

in Irving which is one hundred and twenty miles one way for a total cost of \$30 for gasoline alone. Yes sir, I realize that tickets are over a hundred dollars for each of the four of us but you see we have to attend 8 games a year to support our Cowboys. Otherwise we would not be able to pay our players their much deserved multi-million dollar salaries so as to win at least one half of their games. Yes sir, I know that Jerry Jones is now a billionaire but you see, he has to help the taxpayers of Arlington pay for a new stadium and we want to do our part. No sir, I don't think that our Eastland High School football games are exciting enough to stay home and watch them. Yes sir, I know that they have been in the playoffs the last two years. And another thing: have you checked the price of hotdogs and beer at Texas Stadium not to mention nachos. Yes sir, I know beer is about \$10 a gallon but I can't get as high sniffing gasoline as I do drinking beer and besides my wife drinks colas and they only cost \$2.25 per gallon. And another thing, I am now paying \$30 a carton for cigarettes, mostly due to all the tax you politicians have placed upon them. Of course the multi-billion dollar settlement the lawyers got from the tobacco industry didn't help either. Yes sir, I do know that beer and cigarettes do cause cancer but isn't this a free country and I should be able to smoke and drink if I want to. Yes sir, I do know that there are a lot of old and poor folks out there that can't afford medicine but we have all got to die sometime. Let some of them fat cat lawyers pay for their medicine with the settlement they got from the tobacco companies. We are drifting off the subject but if this is a free country why can't I smoke where I choose and drink beer driving down the road? Sir you really do need to do something about the high price of gasoline! Yes sir, I know that drunk drivers kill thousands of people each year as does second hand smoke. But more people are killed in car wrecks by non-drunk drivers than drunk drivers so what is the difference. Besides if people don't like me smoking inside buildings let them find another place to work or

another restaurant to patronize. I have my rights too. No sir, I never served in the military or volunteered for civic duty. Do you think I am stupid or something? Sir you really need to do something about these absorbent gasoline prices. You see I have to drive over 50 miles to do my shopping because there are more bargains in Abilene than in Eastland. Yes sir; we do have grocery stores, clothing stores, furniture stores, and many other stores in Eastland. No sir, I haven't compared their prices minus what it cost me to drive to Abilene. If you would just lower the price of gasoline it wouldn't matter. Yes sir, I know that we are almost totally dependent upon foreign oil and our young people are dying over seas mainly for that reason. Yes sir; I know that environmentalists in this country do not want us drilling where the most oil is over here. Yes sir; I want to pro-

tect the environment as much as anyone but what about my SUV I have rights too you know. Yes sir, I have heard that when we had an oil embargo several years ago we lowered the speed limit to 55 mph and the American people bought more economical cars. There you go again wanting to take away more of my freedom. I have a right to drive 70 mph if I want to. In fact I do not think we should have a speed limit at all since this is supposed to be a free country. No sir; I didn't know that shortly after we started consuming less gasoline OPEC lifted the embargo and gasoline prices fell back considerably. Considering the alternative of giving up my SUV and slowing down I guess I'll just keep on paying \$1.75 for gasoline. I will however continue to gripe. Why should I have to give up something. This is a free country. Isn't it?

## Putnam Musical To Be Friday

The Putnam Musical will be Friday, January 7th. The kitchen will open at 5:30 p.m. and the music will start at 6 p.m. Everyone welcome. There will be lots of good music and food. Emcee will be Carl Whiteley.

### Top Movies

- 1. Lemony Snicket's: A Series of Unfortunate Events starring Jim Carrey Rated: PG
- 2. Spanglish Adam Sandler PG-13
- 3. The Aviator Leonardo DiCaprio PG-13
- 4. The Life Aquatic Bill Murray R
- 5. National Treasure Nicolas Cage PG
- 6. Ocean's Twelve George Clooney PG-13
- 7. Blade: Trinity Wesley Snipes R
- 8. Closer Julia Roberts R
- 9. The Sponge Bob Squarepants Movie featuring the voice of Tom Kenny PG

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The Leo Williams Family

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Along with fiber, diets including 5 to 9 daily servings of colorful fruits and vegetables help insure a wide variety of important nutrients and phytochemicals. Eat at least one or two servings from each color group (red, yellow/orange, white, green and blue/purple) every day. Each colorful apple variety has its own unique flavor and best uses. Some, Fuji, Gala, McIntosh, Pink Lady and Red Delicious, excel as snacks. Others, Golden Delicious, Granny Smith, Jonagold, Jonathan and Rome Beauty, are better for cooking. The quick and colorful recipe, Apple Chicken Stir-Fry, calls for baking apples.

For more recipes and information, visit [www.usapple.org](http://www.usapple.org) and [www.5aday.org](http://www.5aday.org).

#### Apple Chicken Stir-Fry

1 pound boneless, skinless chicken breast, cubed

2 tablespoons vegetable oil

1/2 cup onion, vertically sliced

1 cup (2 medium) carrots, thinly sliced

1 teaspoon dried basil, crushed

1 cup fresh or frozen Chinese pea pods

1 medium baking apple, cored and thinly sliced

2 cups cooked rice

Stir-fry chicken cubes in oil in nonstick skillet until lightly browned and cooked through. Remove from skillet. Stir-fry onion, carrots and basil in same skillet until carrots are tender. Stir in pea pods and 1 tablespoon water; stir-fry 2 minutes. Remove from heat; stir in apple and cooked chicken. Serve hot over cooked rice. Makes 4 servings.

Nutritional Information per serving: calories: 323, total fat: 8.5g, saturated fat: 1.1g, % calories from fat: 23%, % calories from saturated fat: 3%, protein: 29 g, carbohydrates: 31g, cholesterol: 66 mg, dietary

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# Carbon 4-H Club News

The Carbon 4-H Club hosted their eleventh annual Carbon Country Christmas Dinner on Saturday, December 4, 2004 beginning at 6:00 p.m. at the Carbon Community Center.

The annual Christmas dinner is a community service project of the Carbon 4-H Club and the Carbon 4-H Adult Leaders Association. The community center was beautifully decorated in the spirit of the holiday season accented with a western/ranch motif. Featured near the stage area were two saddles belonging to club member Billy Bob Brown who participates in rodeo and team roping events across the state. The saddles are but two of the many buckle and saddle awards that have been won by Billy Bob during his participation in 4-H horse events and team roping events across the state. Each table featured a flash from the past with an antique or western style centerpiece. The meal consisting of garden salad, baked ham, sweet potatoes, corn, green beans and homemade dinner rolls was prepared by members of the Carbon 4-H Adult Leaders Association. Also served were a variety of home-baked desserts.

Club President, Kathryn Kelly, welcomed guests to the annual dinner. Carbon resident, Royce McGaha, gave the invocation. Interrupting the festivities, a drama from the 4-H members and adult leaders unfolded

with the sounds of gunfire and lots of yelling from a group of would-be intruders seeking money from area residents attending the Christmas celebration. The intruders were calmed down by the 4-H members and invited to join the group for a meal and to discuss the real meaning of the Christmas season. The festive meal was then served by Carbon 4-H Club members to a full house of 101 guests attending the event.

Seasonal dinner music was provided by Mr. Eric Monk of Carbon. After dinner entertainment was provided by Rhonda Eckert reading Cowboy Poetry; Dr. Randall Treadwell of Eastland playing Christmas carols on the saw; vocal selections by Jean Darnell of Eastland; Fiddle music by Melissa Jackson and Carbon 4-H Club member Shelby Carlton; Kateland Simmons, Alysha Wendy and Nathan Lowrie vocal presentations; Karley Simmons on the piano.

The evening concluded with the auction of pies and cakes which always turns into a fun-filled bidding frenzy offering a good time for everyone.

The Carbon 4-H Club members and leaders would like to thank everyone who attended the event for their continued support of the Carbon 4-H Club and its many activities during the year and the Carbon Community Center Association for allowing the club to use their facilities for monthly meetings and for special events such as the Carbon Country Christmas Dinner.



It's not all work as club member, Zoey Tucker, accepts a hug and a compliment from Carbon guest, Jo Gail Francis. Zoey is the daughter of Amanda Tucker and Clint Tucker and is a first grade student at Siebert Elementary in Eastland. Zoey par-



Welcoming guests and handing out programs at the annual Carbon Country Christmas Dinner on December 4, 2004 were club members Tori Hart, Zoey Tucker and Karley Simmons.



It takes a team-effort to produce a successful event. Karley Simmons, Kateland Simmons and Susie Kelly work the tables serving guests at the Carbon Country Christmas Dinner.



Carbon 4-H Club member, Shelby Carlton, delights the crowd at the Carbon Country Christmas Dinner with her rendition of the "Orange Blossom Special."



Austin Lankford provided a smile and special greetings for guests as they entered the Carbon Community Center for a night of food, fellowship and fun.

Pictured (R), Dr. Randall Treadwell played Christmas Carols on the saw as a sudden hush fell over the crowd at the Carbon Country Christmas Dinner. It was noted that more than 150 people were crowded into the community center and not a sound other than the magical music of Dr. Treadwell's saw could be heard.



Tyler Hart, Chance Eckert and Billy Bob Brown help decorate the community center Carbon for the eleventh annual Carbon Country Christmas dinner.



Tyler Hart, Chance Eckert and Billy Bob Brown

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  5. Fasten with a rope.
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  12. Irritating skin sensation causing a desire to scratch.
  13. One ranking before all others.
  15. Layperson.
  16. Acronym for Western Australian University Regiment.
  17. Variant of "achene."
  18. Acronym for Advanced Technology Innovation Center.
  19. Destroy treacherously.
  22. Acronym for International Nanoplankton Association.
  23. Be quiet.
  24. Luminous ring around heads of sacred figures.
  26. Joint heir to an estate.
  29. Move upward.
  31. Make a mistake.
  32. Be undecided about.
  34. Turned to the left.
  36. Slang for "insane."
  38. First sybian C++ developers community Web site.
  40. Correct pitch.
  41. In no way; not at all.
  43. Adil, singer of Ahebbak Ya Ba'Ed Qumt.
  45. Unit of eight to 10 Cub scouts.
  46. Compounds that are both in ketone and an alcoholic ketolic.
  48. Pulled in quick jerks.
  50. Japanese form of wrestling.
  51. Acronym for Estimated Hourly Output.
  52. Expression of annoyance.
  54. Low lying alluvial lands adjacent to a river.
  61. Acronym for American Nostalgia Racing Association.
  63. Coffee mixed with chocolate flavoring.
  64. Containing little fat.
  65. Crust covering a wound.
  66. Euphoria, rock band whose 2003 album was *Insinct & Obsession*.
  67. Axlike tool used for shaping wood.
  68. Touch lightly.
  69. Acronym for Doppler Air Alignment.
  70. Acronym for Special Carrying and Extrication Device.
- Down
1. Lake in southern Honshu, Japan.
  2. Acronym for Effective True Airspeed.
  3. Rarely used term for "needle."
  4. Defeat utterly.
  5. Wooden image of a Polynesian god.
  6. Acronym for Iowa Research and Education Network.
  7. Acronym for Empire State Numismatic Association.
  8. Flat, winglike anatomic part.
  9. Throughout the whole nation.
  10. Kirish, mountain in northeastern Prizaisanye.
  11. Acronym for Horseless Carriage Club of America.
  13. Style characteristic of the social elite.
  14. Plural of the ninth letter of the Hebrew alphabet.
  20. Large, low-structure often open on all sides.
  21. One of two or more considered individually.
  25. Act impulsively.
  26. One who makes a living by dishonest methods.
  27. Large groups of musicians who play together.
  28. Senator Bob \_\_\_\_\_, founding member of the Dutch Asbestos Victims Group.
  29. Collection of maps.
  30. Deceived an opponent in ice hockey by faking.
  31. Acronym for Electronic Library Network.
  33. Acronym for Bulldogs with Attitude.
  35. Shelter for a wild animal.
  37. Rapanui for "to be cooked."
  39. Movie theaters.
  42. Place where something is generated.
  44. Roald \_\_\_\_\_, author of *James and the Giant Peach*.
  47. Apparatuses for making thread into cloth.
  49. Abores Australian marsupials.
  52. Difficult undertaking.
  53. Plural of uncus.
  55. Hooded lizard.
  56. Acronym for Texas Choral Directors Association.
  57. Songs \_\_\_\_\_ CD by Jason Molina.
  58. Acronym for Network Engineering Data Communications.
  59. Bewildered condition.
  60. Lop.
  62. Abdominal muscles.

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**Commissioners**

missioner Precinct # 3 - \$5,000.00  
 Eddie Glen Curtis - Sheriff \$5,000.00  
 Tammy T. Walker - Tax Assessor & Collector - \$84,000.00 & \$69,000.00  
 The bond for Constable William B. Young, Precinct #4 will be renewed in March.  
 Also on the agenda:  
 The minutes of December 13, 2004 were approved as presented, and approved bills were paid.  
 There were no public comments.  
 The following officers were present at the December 31 open meeting:  
 Presiding Judge, Roger Corn, Commissioner Harold Hicks, Prec. #1, Commissioner Bryan Farmer, Prec. #2, Commissioner Tommy Holland, Prec. #3, Commissioner Doris Grider, Prec. #4, County Treasurer Dianne Alexander, County Clerk and ex-Officio Clerk of the Commissioners' Court Jeanie Bohannon.  
 Also present were:  
 Dan Tabor, Margaret Hetrick, Chris Vestal, Sharon Owens, Roy Chapman.

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**Baird First United Methodist Church Worship Services**

**Sunday School - 9:45 AM**  
**Sunday Worship - 10:45 AM**  
**Youth - 5:00 PM**  
**Choir Practice - 5:30 PM**

Tuesdays  
**Prayer Group - 10:00 AM - Joy Corn's**

**Baird First Baptist Church Schedule Of Events**

Each one of you are invited to join us at the corner of Race and 3rd St., Baird

For more information on any of these events please contact the church: 854-1574  
 (Nursery provided for worship services)

**Sunday School - 9:45 A.M.**  
**Worship Service - 11:00 A.M.**  
**Prayer Time In Sanctuary - 5:00 P.M.**

**Evening Service - 6:00 P.M.**  
**Wednesday Choir Practice 6:00 pm**  
**Wednesday Service - 7:00 PM**  
 Coming Soon!!! Ladies Bible Study "Believing God" - a Beth Moore Study Beginning: Jan. 9 at 4:30 in the Fellowship Hall  
 Leaders Kim Vestal and Bridget McDowell  
 Call the office to sign up! (325) 854-1574

**Remember To Renew Your Subscription**

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Coffee & Donuts.....10:45 a.m.  
 Worship Service.....11:00 a.m.  
 Wednesday Night Bible Study...6:30 p.m.

**Pastor Chad Gosnell**

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**Rabies Bait Drop**

weather permitting, from the Zapata County Airport in South Texas. The second portion of the drop begins about Jan. 15 from the Pecos County Airport in Fort Stockton, and the last leg gets under way about Jan. 22 from Junction's Kimble County Airport.

Counties in the 2004 West-Central Texas vaccine distribution area are Bandera, Brewster, Brown, Callahan, Coke, Coleman, Concho, Crockett, Edwards, Gillespie, Glasscock, Irion, Kerr, Kimble, Kinney, Mason, Maverick, McCulloch, Menard, Nolan, Pecos, Reagan, Real, Runnels, Sterling, Taylor, Terrell, Tom Green, Upton, Uvalde, Val Verde and Zavala.

DSHS initiated the program in 1995 to create zones of vaccinated coyotes and gray foxes to stop the spread of the rabies virus and then eliminate canine and gray fox rabies in the area. Canine rabies in coyotes and domestic dogs had reached epidemic proportions in South Texas and threatened San Antonio and other major population areas. The next year, an airdrop began in West-Central Texas where an epidemic of gray fox rabies had been occurring since 1988.

The number of canine rabies cases in South Texas has declined from a high of 142 cases when the program began in 1995 to none in 2002 and 2003 and 1 reported in 2004 through November. Gray fox cases are down as well from an all-time high of 265 cases in 1994 to 22 in 2004 through November.

The specialized baits offer a dinner of fish meal to coyotes and dog food containing molasses and vanilla flavoring to gray foxes. But the important ingredient is the 2 milliliters of oral rabies vaccine encased in each bait.

"The vaccine inside the bait cannot cause rabies in people or animals," Sidwa said.

Because baits contain a biological agent and are less likely to be eaten by wildlife if people touch them, they should not be handled. Each brown bait, which measures 1 1/4 by 1 1/4 by 3/4 inches, is marked with a DSHS toll free number, 1-877-722-6725, that people may call for information.

"People still need to get their pets vaccinated against rabies by a veterinarian as required by law," Sidwa said. A domestic animal's rabies vaccination can be safely given even if the animal recently ate an oral rabies vaccine bait, he said.

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## NWS Lists Top West Central Texas 2004 Weather Events

West Central Texas received rainfall that far exceeded what is considered normal for this region. Most of the 24 county area received above normal rainfall for the first time since 1997.

We are thankful for the rain, and for the excellent network of nearly seventy NWS Cooperative Observers who report rainfall amounts along with high and low temperatures to the National Weather Service on a daily basis. In addition, we are also grateful for the nearly 70 NWS Rainfall Observers that report rainfall to us after each and every rainfall event.

As far as records are concerned, this will be the 4th wettest year for the city of Abilene, and the 15th wettest year for the city of San Angelo. Our Cooperative Observer in Woodson reported the most rainfall with 51.48 inches.

Heavy rain during the second week of June was concentrated over Mason, San Saba and Eastern Brown Counties. Isolated areas in these counties received as much as 10 inches of rain in less than 24-hours.

The town of San Saba received 1-inch to 2-inches per hour rainfall rates over several hours on the morning of June 9th.

This heavy rain caused flooding throughout the community. Several homes and businesses received water damage and numerous city streets were scoured.

Nearby, the San Saba River at San Saba flowed out of its banks to cause minor flooding.

Minor flooding also occurred nearby on the Colorado River near San Saba. Most of the damage caused by river flooding was to ranch land and farm land. Many bales of hay were lost to the swollen river and fences were down due to debris.

For a period of time on the 9th, the community was stranded as water covered all the main roads (Hwy 16 and Hwy 190) to the town.

On March 4th, an intense low pressure system moved rapidly across West Central Texas during the middle of the day producing significant damage. It spawned 9 tornadoes along with straight line winds of 60 to 80 mph across much of the area.

Several manufactured homes were damaged or destroyed. Roofs of permanent homes also received damage. Jim Ned High School of Tuscola received damage from the strongest tornado of the year which was rated an F2 on the Fujita Scale.

There were significant hail storms that did extensive damage during the year to many cities, towns, and communities in West Central Texas.

Albany, Sweetwater, Glen Cove and Vallinger were hard hit by golfball to softball size hail breaking windows, windshields, stripping paint, and causing extensive

damage to automobiles and homes.

The largest hailstone, measuring 4.25 inches, or up to softball size, occurred 2 miles southeast of Glen Cove in Coleman County and damaged vehicles and dwellings near Hoards Creek Lake on April 30th.

The first tornado that occurred in the U. S. in 2004, touched down in Novice in Coleman County of January 16.

One of the last tornadoes of the year struck Santa Anna in Coleman County and another one touched down on the north end of Lake Brownwood in Brown County in early December causing damage.

About 18 tornadoes were reported for the year which is about normal. Thankfully most of the tornadoes were weak at F1 or below.

Abilene only had two 100 degree-plus days with the highest temperature of 103 on June 1st, and the lowest temperature of 15 of January 6th.

San Angelo had 6 days of 100 degree-plus days with the highest temperature of 106 on June 1st and the lowest temperature of 17 on Christmas morning.

Junction had 7 days of 100 degree-plus days with the highest temperature of 104 on June 1st and the lowest temperature of 18, also on Christmas morning.

Although property damage ran into the millions, and a few injuries were reported, we are grateful there was no loss of life.

*National Weather Service, San Angelo, TX*

## Baird I. S. D. Lunch Menu

Thursday, January 6  
 Soft Taco, Salad, Refried Beans, Cobbler, Milk

Friday, January 7  
 Hamburgers, Lettuce, Pickles, French Fries, Cookies, Milk

Monday, January 10  
 Stromboli, Tossed Salad, Corn, Fruit, Milk

Tuesday, January 11  
 Macaroni & Cheese, Pinto Beans, Fried Okra, Fruit, Corn Bread, Milk

Wednesday, January 12  
 Spaghetti, Tossed Salad, Carrots, Fruit, Garlic Bread, Milk

Thursday, January 13  
 Roast Beef w/ Rice, Carrots, Green Beans, Rolls, Jelly, Milk

Friday, January 14  
 Hot Dogs, French Fries, Cole Slaw, Rice Krispies, Milk

Monday, January 17  
 Tator Tot Casserole, Broccoli, Fried Squash, Brownies, Milk

Tuesday, January 18  
 Salisbury Steak, Mash Potatoes, Green Beans, Rolls, Applesauce, Milk

Wednesday, January 19  
 Corn Dogs, Curly Fries, Pinto Beans, Muffins, Milk

Thursday, January 20  
 Nacho Grande, Tossed Salad, Refried Beans, Cobbler, Milk

Friday, January 21  
 Staff Development

Monday, January 24  
 Chicken Pot Pie, Carrot & Celery Sticks, Fruit, Cracker, Milk

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## Baird HS Basketball Schedule 2004-2005

Tuesday, Jan. 4 Abilene Christian There JVG/JVB/VG/VB  
 Friday, Jan. 7 DeLeon Here VB TBA

Superintendent: Cliff Gardner  
 H.S. Principal: Sandra Carter  
 Head Boys Coach: Clay Barnett  
 Assistant: Luke Moody  
 Head Girls Coach: Lane Loyd  
 Assistant Coach: Lauren Rodriguez

## Baird J.H. Basketball Schedule 2004-2005

Thursday, Jan. 6 Cross Plains There 5:00 PM  
 Saturday, Jan. 8 7th Albany Tourney There TBA  
 Monday, Jan. 10 Gorman Here 5:00 PM  
 Th/Sa Jan.13 & Jan.15 Cross Plains Tourney There TBA  
 Thursday, Jan. 20 Albany There 5:00 PM  
 Saturday, Jan. 22 8th Albany Tourney There TBA  
 Thursday, Jan. 27 Ranger There 5:00 PM  
 Thursday, Feb. 3 Eula Here 5:00 PM

All games will be played in the following order:  
 7th girls, 7th boys, 8th girls, 8th boys.

## Baird HS Basketball District Games Schedule 2004-2005

\* Friday, Jan. 7 Cross Plains Here JVG/VG 6:00 PM  
 \* Tuesday, Jan. 11 Gorman There JVG/JVB/VG/VB 4:00 PM  
 \* Friday, Jan. 14 Albany Here JVG/JVB/VG/VB 4:00 PM  
 \* Tuesday, Jan. 18 Ranger Here JVG/JVB/VG/VB 4:00 PM  
 \* Friday, Jan. 21 Eula There JVG/JVB/VG/VB 4:00 PM  
 \* Tuesday, Jan. 25 Cross Plains There JVG/JVB/VG/VB 4:00 PM  
 \* Friday, Jan. 28 Gorman Here JVG/JVB/VG/VB 4:00 PM  
 \* Tuesday, Feb. 1 Albany There JVG/JVB/VG/VB 4:00 PM  
 \* Friday, Feb. 4 Ranger There JVG/JVB/VG/VB 4:00 PM  
 \* Tuesday, Feb. 8 Eula Here JVG/JVB/VG/VB 4:00 PM  
 \* Friday, Feb. 11 Cross Plains Here JVB/VB 6:00 PM

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