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Thursday, June 4, 2009

## Baird ISD June, July Office Hours

The Baird ISD office hours for the months of June and July are Monday through Thursday 7:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. with 1 hour for lunch and off on Friday.  
Lana Walls  
Business Manager  
Baird ISD

## Callahan County Commissioners Court

Callahan County Commissioners' Court  
Notice of Open Meeting  
Date of Meeting: June 5, 2009, 9:30 A.M.  
Location: 100 West 4<sup>th</sup>, Suite 200

Callahan County Courthouse  
Baird, Texas 79504  
Complete Agenda:  
Call to Order  
Deliberate and Consider Action on the following items:

I. Review and Sign Minutes of Previous Meetings  
II. Public Comment (5min. per speaker) No Discussion or Action  
III. Discuss - Consider Disaster Work

Bids (Accept or Reject) Recommendations Engineer Johnny Tabor  
IV. Discuss- Consider Regulating Certain Fireworks in

## Cross Plains Barbarian Festival Set June 13

Just a few days until this year's Barbarian Festival in Cross Plains on Saturday, June 13th. The festivities start at 9 a.m.

Bring the kids and enjoy games, pony rides, an exotic petting zoo, duck pond, and lots more- even those inflatable bouncing houses the kids love to jump in and on.

Stroll through craft booths, antiques and collectibles, as well as, purses, candles, woodcrafts, birdhouses and other decorative items. Enjoy barbeque, turkey legs, funnel cakes, ice cream and other tasty treats.

If you haven't turned in your registration form, but want to be apart of the Barbarian Festival, you still have a day or two- until Monday, June 8th. Hurry. Call Gaye at 254-725-4961 to reserve a booth for your group business! Booth space starts at only \$35.00.

## DPS Report

5-24-09 to 5-30-09  
CASES INVESTIGATED

Warnings- 96  
Complaints- 53  
DWI- 1  
Driving While License Invalid- 2

ACCIDENTS  
There were 4 accidents investigated during this time span.

the Unincorporated Area of County  
V. Discuss- Consider E.M.S. Healthcare Transportation Services Contract- E.M.S. and Callahan County

VI. Discuss - Consider - Meet with Auditors  
VII. Review and Pay Approved Bills  
Adjourn

Pursuant to the authority granted under Government Code, Chap. 551, the Commissioner's Court may convene a closed session to discuss any of the above agenda items. Immediately before any closed session, the specific section or sections of Government Code, Chap. 551 which provides statutory authority will be announced.

Choose your favorites in the Talent Contest, as talent contest performers take the state at 10:00 a.m. and 1:30 p.m.

Take a look at the antique automobiles, classic cars, fine rides, hot rods, street rods, and trucks in the Antique & Classic Car & Truck Show.

Browse through old John Deeres, Farmalls, Internationals, Minneapolis Molines and other antique tractors in the Antique Tractor Show.

Take a chance on any of the many prizes that benefit the Terry Jane McWilliams Wyatt Scholarship Fund. Stop by Texas Heritage Bank in Cross Plains now to see the display of prizes and gift certificates and then purchase your tickets at the festival. Each ticket entitles you to a vote in the "People's Choice" category for the Talent Show, Antique & Classic Car & Truck Show and Antique Tractor Show.

Winners of the Talent Contest, Antique & Classic Car & Truck Show and the Antique Tractor Show will be announced from the stage at 4 p.m.

Callahan County  
Star Deadlines  
Tuesday by  
5:00 p.m.

## Commissioners Court Minutes

COMMISSIONERS' COURT MINUTES  
1100 W. 4th St.  
Baird, Texas 79504  
May 28, 2009

THE STATE OF TEXAS  
COUNTY OF CALLAHAN COUNTY

The Meeting of the Commissioners' Court was held at its regular meeting place in the Courthouse on May 28, 2009 A.D., with the following officers present to wit:

Roger Corn, Judge Presiding  
Harold Hicks, Commissioner Precinct No. 1  
Bryan Farmer, Commissioner Precinct No. 2  
Tom Windham, Commissioner Precinct No. 3  
Cliff Kirkham, Commissioner Precinct No. 4  
Dianne Gunter, County Treasurer

Donna Bell, County Clerk, and ex-Officio Clerk of the Commissioners' Court and the following items of business were transacted:

The meeting was called to order at 9:44 A.M. by Judge Corn. All were present.

The minutes of the previous meeting were reviewed and signed.

Under Public Comments - None

Commissioner Kirkham made a motion to sign an Interlocal Participation Agreement for a Project to Develop Standards and Requirements for a Common Integrated Justice System Software Solution for County Government with the County Information Resources Agency and to contribute \$2,981.11 as its share of the cost of the Project. Commissioner Farmer seconded the motion. The motion carried 5-0.

Judge Corn made a motion to pass a Resolution commemorating the 85th anniversary of the historic Bankhead National Highway. Commissioner Windham seconded the motion which carried 5-0. There will be a Dedication Ceremony on the Callahan County Courthouse grounds at noon on Saturday, June 27, 2009. The public is invited.

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Commissioner Kirkham made a motion to sign an Interlocal Agreement with the City of Baird concerning the maintenance of the City's Landfill Road which goes to the 4-H Shooting Sports Range. Commissioner Windham seconded the motion. The motion carried 5-0.

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At 10:00 A.M. bids were opened for the work to be done on the road and drainage restoration. Commissioner Hicks made a motion to allow Engineer Tabor to review bids and to meet June 5th to award the bid. Commissioner Kirkham seconded the motion which then carried 5-0.

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Break - 10:16 A. M.  
Resume - 10:33 A. M.

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Judge Corn made a motion to sign a Proclamation proclaiming that the 2010 Census is a top priority for all elected and appointed officials, and encourage full support and participation of this community in achieving an accurate and complete count through the formulation of a Complete Count Committee. Commissioner Farmer seconded the motion and the motion carried 5-0.

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Commissioner Windham made a motion to allow the Callahan County Museum to open Saturday, June 28, 2009 during Baird Market Daze. Judge Corn seconded the motion. The motion carried 5-0.

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Commissioner Farmer made a motion to pay the approved bills. Commissioner Kirkham seconded the motion which then passed 5-0

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Commissioner Hicks made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Commissioner Windham and carried 5-0.

\*\*\*\*\*  
Roger Corn County Judge

The foregoing minutes were read and approved this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2009

Donna Bell County Clerk  
Also attending:  
Johnny Tabor / Tabor Engineering  
Chris Bristow / RAYDON  
Rob Keith / Baker Bridge, L.P.  
Kenneth Baker / Baker Bridge, L.P.

## Immunization Clinics

Texas Department of State Health Services  
Immunization Clinics in Callahan County  
Monday, June 8th  
Baird Cafetorium  
400 W. 7th  
Time: 10-12  
Cross Plains Housing Authority  
233 N. Main  
Time: 2-4

Wednesday, June 10th  
Clyde First Baptist Church  
216 Austin  
Time: 10-12 & 1:30-3:00  
Please bring child's Immunization Records  
If child has Medicaid or CHIP, please bring card  
For more information call 325/754-4945

## First Baptist VBS Set For June 15-19

Join First Baptist Church in Baird as they take a train trip of a lifetime across the great Australian Outback on the Boomerang Express. The Boomerang Express will trek out on Monday, June 15 through 19 from 6 to 8:45 p.m. each evening. The VBS is open for all kidaroos age 3 to completed 6th grade.

Every evening kidaroos will experience an exciting worship rally, engaging Bible and mission study, intriguing Aussie crafts, jump'n music, fun recreation and yummy snacks from the G'Day Cafe.

As we get a glimpse of the amazing scenery and unique country of Australia, we will also discover the amazing truth that Jesus Christ desires to have a unique and

personal relationship with us. Throughout the week, kidaroos will stay on a single track of study as they learn about the life of Peter and how he came to know Jesus. No matter where we find ourselves in our own journey with Jesus, we will learn that "It All Comes Back to Jesus!"

Parents are encouraged to preregister their kids now, but can be enrolled when Vacation Bible School begins. You can pick up a registration form at First Baptist Church 240 Race St., Baird during regular office hours 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Thursday. All kids in the community are invited, and transportation will be provided during VBS. Call 325-854-1574 for pickup information.

## Public Invited To Attend

### Cottonwood Festival June 19

Come out to Cottonwood on Friday, June 19th for an Olde Time Musical and Benefit Spaghetti Supper, the proceeds of which will go towards repair and maintenance at the Cottonwood Community Center.

The Spaghetti Supper starts at 5 p.m. with the music following at 6:30. Hear Olde Time Country Music performed by musicians from the old Cottonwood Musicals and some musicians that are new to Cottonwood.

The Cottonwood

Community Center, which was once the community's schoolhouse, is under the care of the Cottonwood Historical Association, which also oversees the old Post Office, Methodist Church and two cemeteries. The building is located on CR 446, off of FM 880 in Cottonwood, 5 miles North of Cross Plains.

If you would like to help with the benefit, either by donating or helping serve, please contact Beverly Brown at 254-725-7369 or Dena Nickerson at 254-725-6377.

## Baird Man Dies In I-20 Rollover

A Baird man, identified as Billie Wayne Pettitt, 41, died in a rollover that occurred last Friday around 10:30 a.m. The man was driving his Lincoln Town Car west on Interstate 20 that hit a guardrail and rolled down two embankments it was reported. He was apparently attempting to exit I-20 onto East Highway 80 when the right side of his car left the roadway.

He attempted to move left, back onto the exit overpass, but he overcorrected, according to Abilene Police investigators. The car went over the top of a guard rail and rolled down two embankments before landing on the shoulder of the eastbound I-20 lanes of traffic below. It was reported

that Pettitt was ejected from the car and was not wearing a seat belt.

Medics on the scene thought Pettitt's injuries were not life-threatening, but he later died from head injuries after being transported to Hendrick Medical Center.

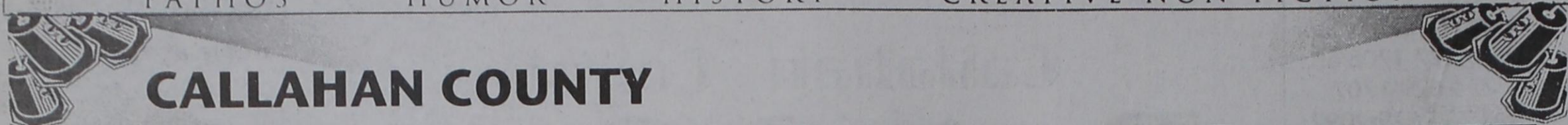
According to police investigators, alcohol was believed to be a factor in the crash, and speed might also have contributed. There was reported to be a strong odor of alcohol around Pettitt and his car.

Services for Billy Pettitt were scheduled for 4 p.m. Wednesday, June 3, 2009 at the First United Methodist Church in Baird. Burial was to follow in Ross Cemetery, Spencer-Price Addition. Services directed by Parker Funeral Home of Baird.

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Texas Cactus

Photo by Patrick Ready

## Words You Can Use:

**Ennea-eteric:** If something happens every ninth year, then this adjective can describe it. Remember this for the right time to use it.

**Spandrel:** A word this is that denotes the corner design of stamps, particularly postage.

**Testamur:** When you pass your university examinations, you might get this, a certificate of the accomplishment.

**Ubiquity:** When something is everywhere, this word can describe it. Some politician's names are like this. It would be interesting to know if there is a word for "being somewhere."

## Poetry Media Service

THE ORIGINAL CONFES-  
SIONAL (ALMOST) TELLS  
ALL

An interview with W.D.  
Snodgrass.

By Hilary Holladay  
Poetry Media Services

Hilary Holladay: I want to  
play a little word association  
with you. I'll say a word or a  
name, and you free-associate  
at will. "Confessional poetry."

W.D. Snodgrass: Well, it's  
a term I dislike intensely, be-  
cause I don't think I was do-  
ing anything very different  
from what poets have done for  
years and years and years. One  
of the major influences that  
took me toward writing poems  
about losing, I thought, my  
daughter surely was Mahler's  
Kindertotenlieder [with lyrics  
from the poems of 19th-cen-  
tury German poet Friedrich  
Ruckert]. As a matter of fact,  
all the German poets of that  
era, even if they'd never been  
married or had a child, wrote  
poems about the death of their  
children; they would make up  
a child to lose. It became the  
symbolic center of loss, and  
losses that might have been of  
all sorts but were often com-  
pacted into that image.

When I went into psycho-  
therapy in Iowa, the doctors  
there were also very influential  
in saying, "You're not writing  
about what you're interested  
in." I was writing things that  
had some religious overtones.  
I wanted nothing to do with re-  
ligion, and I just put it in the  
poem because that's the sort of  
thing that the models we were  
given at [the University of  
Iowa] would have had. If there  
was a tiger lily, then surely that  
had to do with Christ.

HH: So it was confessional,  
in a sense. You were confess-  
ing to your therapist.

WDS: Yes, but that didn't  
affect the poems. M.L. Rosen-  
thal came up with that term  
[confessional poetry]—he was  
a friend—but I hated it be-

cause it suggested either that  
you were writing something  
religious and were confess-  
ing something of that sort, or  
that you were writing bedroom  
memoirs, and I wasn't doing  
that, either.

HH: And yet the label stuck,  
and it gave scholars and stu-  
dents a way to categorize you  
and Robert Lowell and Anne  
Sexton and Sylvia Plath and a  
few others, and so—

WDS: I don't think it really  
applies to what I was doing.  
And you'll pardon me for say-  
ing so, but I was [writing per-  
sonal poems] first. And Lowell  
hated it at first. He said, "Snod-  
grass, you have a brain. You  
can't write this kind of tear-  
jerking stuff!" It was all part  
of a kind of snobbery in the  
academic world. You weren't  
supposed to have love rela-  
tionships or anything of that  
sort. You were supposed to be  
some kind of priest. I decided  
[writing personal poems] is  
probably wrong, but it's what  
I have to do right now. I don't  
like the fact that then that can  
be made into an argument for  
the writing of poetry as a form  
of therapy. It may not be any-  
thing of the sort. I don't know  
that it served that purpose. It  
was just where my feelings lay  
right then.

HH: You influenced [Rob-  
ert Lowell]. Did he influence  
you?

WDS: Early on, yes. I had  
to quit reading him altogether  
for many years because I  
didn't want to get back under  
that influence again. He wrote  
to me and said he was taking  
those poems of mine [from  
Heart's Needle] as a model,  
and it just scared the hell out  
of me! I thought, "Holy God!  
Here I'm doing something that  
even I think may be a stupid  
mistake." In the meantime,  
he caught hell from his teach-  
ers the same way I caught hell  
from him. He went and read

some of his more personal po-  
ems to Allen Tate, who gave  
him exactly the same kind of  
hell.

I should say that one other  
thing that moved me in the di-  
rection of the personal poems  
was that I became interested in  
music again after a while. For  
as much as 15 years there, I  
stayed clear away from music.  
One day I turned on the radio  
and there was a tenor, Hugues  
Cuénod. One of his first records  
that came out in this country  
was a collection of songs from  
16th- and 17th-century Spain  
and Italy. I listened to this re-  
cording, and my hair simply  
stood on end. I listened to him  
and thought, "Jesus Christ! My  
poems have got everything ex-  
cept that kind of passion and  
that kind of straightforward  
head-on-ness."

These two musical influenc-  
es, that and the Kindertotenli-  
eder—both moved me in [the  
more personal] direction, as  
did Jarrell's criticism, although  
he didn't suggest positively that  
I should be writing about my  
personal concerns. My doctor  
supplied that!

HH: Let me wrap up by ask-  
ing you about your name. You  
use your name, Snodgrass, in

Submissions sought

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20 lines,

double spaced or less

Poetry

Fiction or Non

Each entry with brief  
biography notes. All  
must be family orient-  
ed; no smut, slander or  
liable material.

## American Life In Poetry

Column 219

BY TED KOOSER, U.S. POET LAUREATE, 2004-2006

As we all know, getting older isn't hard to do. Time continues on. In this poem, Deborah Warren of Massachusetts asks us to think about the life lived between our past and present selves, as indicated in the marginal comments of an old book. There's something beautiful about books allowing us to talk to who we once were, and this poem captures this beauty.

### Marginalia

Finding an old book on a basement shelf--  
gray, spine bent--and reading it again,  
I met my former, unfamiliar, self,  
some of her notes and scrawls so alien

that, though I tried, I couldn't get (behind  
this gloss or that) back to the time she wrote  
to guess what experiences she had in mind,  
the living context of some scribbled note;

or see the girl beneath the purple ink  
who chose this phrase or that to underline,  
the mood, the boy, that lay behind her thinking--  
but they were thoughts I recognized as mine;

and though there were words I couldn't even read,  
blobs and cross-outs; and though not a jot  
remained of her old existence--I agreed  
with the young annotator's every thought:

A clever girl. So what would she see fit  
to comment on--and what would she have to say  
about the years that she and I have written  
since--before we put the book away?

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## Rhymes For Today:

Metamorphosis

Verdigris

Remiss

Bliss

Miss

Benefice

Analysis

## More Than A Feeling

The headlines list each contribution  
Portraying the donors name and face  
Portraying wealth as the solution  
For all the ills of this human race.

Many there be who give of their time  
And give of their love for many years  
They're unrecognized and it's a crime  
That pits this Earth with the saddest tears.

Go store up bags of sweet compassion  
Go plant your rows of concern  
And opt to change the mood and fashion  
By profession care with every turn.

Tunefully then we whistle along  
Laughing, lifting up those unadorned  
Streamlining fashion with our love songs  
And by showing love should be performed.

For love is more than just a feeling  
Much more than hoping that all is well  
It's value is shown in believing  
That proving our love will never fail.

- Weldon L. Smith  
Eastland, Texas

## Writers And Poets!

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nounce that the Baird Star will be publishing sub-  
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1. We ask for first-time publishing rights. All other rights will remain with the author.
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5. Please address all submissions to:

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Barbarian Festival  
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**Details online at BarbarianFestival.net**

# Obituaries

## Billy Wayne Petitt

BAIRD- Billy Wayne Petitt, 41, of Baird, Texas died Friday, May 29, 2009 in an Abilene hospital.

Services were held at 4 p.m. Wednesday, June 3, 2009 at the First United Methodist Church in Baird with interment to follow in Ross Cemetery, Spencer-Price Addition. Marcy Grun officiated, assisted by Rev. Sandra Keith. Parker Funeral Home of Baird was in charge of arrangements.

Billy Wayne was born July 27, 1967, in Abilene, Texas to Alice Faye Petitt and Walter L. Cummings. He graduated from Abilene High School where he excelled in basketball. He was an avid sports fan, particularly following the

Dallas Cowboys, Texas Longhorns, and all the sports and activities of his daughter, Kaylee.

He was a Baptist and had lived in Baird for 7 years, moving from Abilene.

Survivors include his wife, Tiffany Voigts-Petitt of Baird; two daughters, Kaylee Voigts of Baird and Tenequa Petitt of Fort Worth; his mother, Alice Cummings of Austin; four sisters, Felicia, LaDonna, Patricia, and Sheila; one brother, Walter; two grandchildren and a number of nieces and nephews.

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8	3	7	9	1	2	4	6	5
5	4	9	8	6	3	1	7	2
1	6	2	5	7	4	8	9	3
6	1	3	4	2	7	9	5	8
9	2	5	1	8	6	7	3	4
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## Helen Ruth Church

ABILENE- Helen Ruth Church died Friday, May 29, 2009.

She was born January 5, 1931 in Hamilton, Texas to Hiram and Fannie Beacham. She married Richard Derwood Church on August 20, 1948 in Abilene.

Mrs. Church was a member of South Side Baptist Church where, for many years she was active in organizing and teaching Sunday School. She worked outside the home for the family business and also at a children's clothing store. Yet Helen's primary calling was to be a mother, wife, and homemaker. She was the very definition of "devoted mom" and a humble servant of Christ.

She was preceded in death by her parents, her husband Richard, a great-grandson, Zachary Church, and a niece, Gina Gail Swafford.

Survivors are a sister-in-law, Peggy Swafford; three sons, Gary Church and wife Paula, Michael Church, and Scott Church and wife, Cora; grandchildren, Todd, Trey, Jon, Brian, and Melissa Church; and great-grandchildren, Brian Jr., Austin, Addison, and Brooklyn Church.

Services were held Monday, June 1, 2009 at 11 a.m. at the Bailey Funeral Home Chapel with Rev. David Cason officiating. Burial followed in the Clyde Cemetery directed by Bailey Funeral Home.

## Hugh Wallace Jones

GOLDTHWAITE- Hugh Wallace Jones, 87, of Goldthwaite died at his home May 30, 2009.

Services were held Sunday, May 31, 2009 at 3 p.m. at First United Methodist Church in Goldthwaite. Interment was at Goldthwaite Memorial Cemetery.

He was born July 26, 1921 in Eula, Texas to Henry and Fannie Jones. He was a member of the First United Methodist Church in Goldthwaite. He graduated from Eula High School in 1939 as Valedictorian of his class. He volunteered for the Army Air Corp in 1941.

He married Maxine Newberry on October 17, 1942. He and Maxine were blessed with two children, Jerry Wayne Jones and Patty Louise Jones McCasland.

Hugh was stationed in San Antonio, did his primary in Ballinger, and was also stationed in Brady and Lubbock, where he graduated and received his wings. He received advanced training in twin engines and instruments. He was then transferred to Pampa as a pilot instructor and then on to San Angelo to receive bombardier training.

While in Murfreesboro, Tennessee learning to fly B-24's he was hospitalized for severe asthma and received honorable medical discharge in 1944.

Hugh and Maxine moved back to Eula where he farmed with his dad for several years before entering the electrical supervisor of Texas Instruments in 1986. They then built their home in Goldthwaite to be closer to family.

Survivors are his wife, Maxine Jones; son, Jerry Jones and wife Patricia of Stephenville; daughter, Patty McCasland and husband, DeWayne of Goldthwaite; grandchildren, Monty and Kim Jones of Clyde, Kim Brown of Granbury, Laurey Green of Stephenville, Gary and Sonia Leverett of Burleson, Todd Leverett of Stephenville, Brent and Angie McCasland of San Angelo, Brooke and Jeremy Seely of Waco, and 13 great-grandchildren.

Memorials may be made to: Fosters Home in Stephenville; New Horizons in Goldthwaite; or First United Methodist Church in Goldthwaite.

## Lori Turner Moore

CLYDE- Lori Turner Moore, 48, of Sweet Home, Arkansas and formerly of Abilene died Thursday,

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## Slow Aging With Blueberries

Millions of people enjoy blueberries because they taste good and are versatile enough to be part of many different menu items. Blueberries, however, are also nutrient-rich and offer a host of health benefits, one of which may be slowing down the aging process.

This isn't to say that blueberries can turn back the hands of time, but they may help slow down some of the typical side effects of aging, most notably diminished mental capacity. In a USDA Human Nutrition Research Center laboratory study, researchers fed blueberry extractions to lab mice. The extractions were the equivalent of a human eating one cup of blueberries per day. The mice were then run through a series of motor tests. The mice who were given the blueberry extractions performed better than the control group on motor functions and memory. They also showed an increase of exploratory behavior.

The antioxidant components of blueberries that give them their vivid color help reduce oxidative stress, as observed after looking at the brains of the treated mice. Oxidative stress is damage to cell membranes and DNA from free radicals. Antioxidants are known to find and eradicate free radicals. Oxidative stress is thought to be a main culprit in many of the dysfunctions and diseases common to aging.

Because of their neurological, motor-function link, blueberries may be essential to reducing the severity of neurological diseases, such as Alzheimer's and other dementias.

## Stay Healthy During Grilling Season

When it comes to warm weather parties, few ideas are more popular than a backyard barbecue. However, as enjoyable as such gatherings can be, they can cause problems as well, particularly if certain steps aren't taken when it comes to cooking and handling food.

**\* Clean your hands:** Most backyard barbecues feature a host of standard fare when it comes to the menu. Burgers, steaks, hot dogs, and poultry are some of the most popular items. If you're handling raw meat and poultry, wash your hands between touching the meat and then touching the poultry.

**\* Don't marinate outside:**

Any good grillmaster knows that the key to a successful barbecue is how well the food is marinated. If marinating food for an extended period of time, keep the food refrigerated while marinating. Also, be sure not to apply leftover marinade to food that's already cooked. If you're wary of wasting the marinade, boil it before applying to cooked food. The boiling will remove any bacteria left in the marinade by the raw meat or chicken.

**\* Use a meat thermometer:** Many grill chefs have heard cries that their food isn't cooked well enough. Typically, this is heard after someone puts all the fixin's on their food. That can make

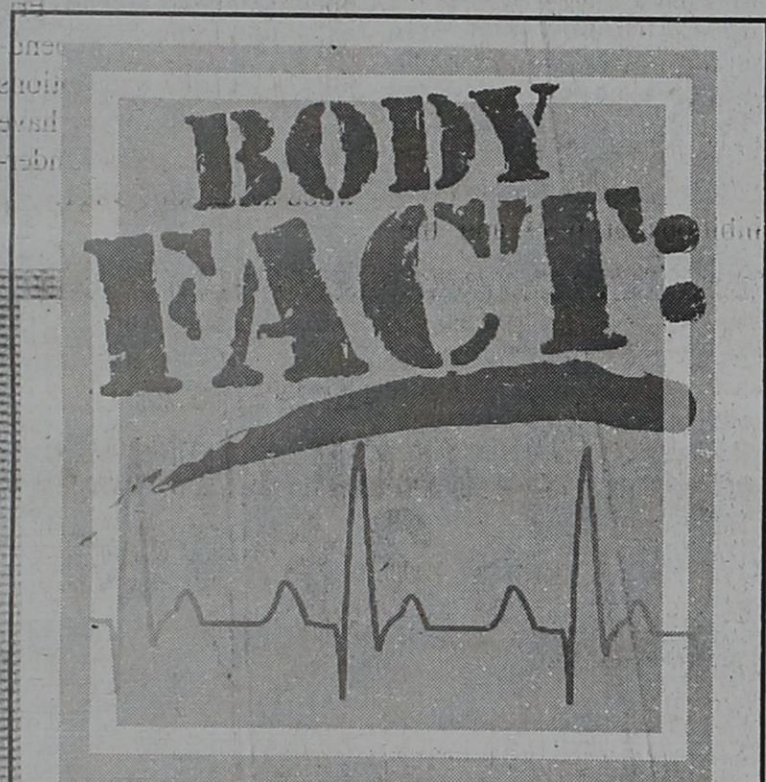
continuing to cook the food a messy ordeal. To avoid such instances, use a meat thermometer on burgers and steaks. In general, burgers should be cooked to 160 F, while meats such as steaks, roasts or london broil can be cooked to 145 F (medium rare) or 160 F (medium). Undercooked poultry can be especially dangerous, so cook to 170 F.

**\* Change utensils and plates:** Once the food is cooked or if you're checking to see if it's finished, don't use the same utensils to remove or check food that you used to place it on the grill. Also, carry the uncooked food out on one plate, and present cooked

food on another plate to avoid food contamination.

**\* Heat a charcoal grill properly:** If you prefer to use a charcoal grill, make sure the coals are heated for 20 to 30 minutes before you put any food on the grill. Coals should not still be black if you're about to commence cooking. Instead, they should be gray.

**\* For tailgaters,** cool your food as well: Grilling out isn't confined to summertime or backyards. Sports fans across the nation often take their grills to the stadium and tailgate before the big game. In such cases, make sure you bring a food-only cooler along. Keep food separated and refrigerated in the cooler and until it's time to do some cooking.

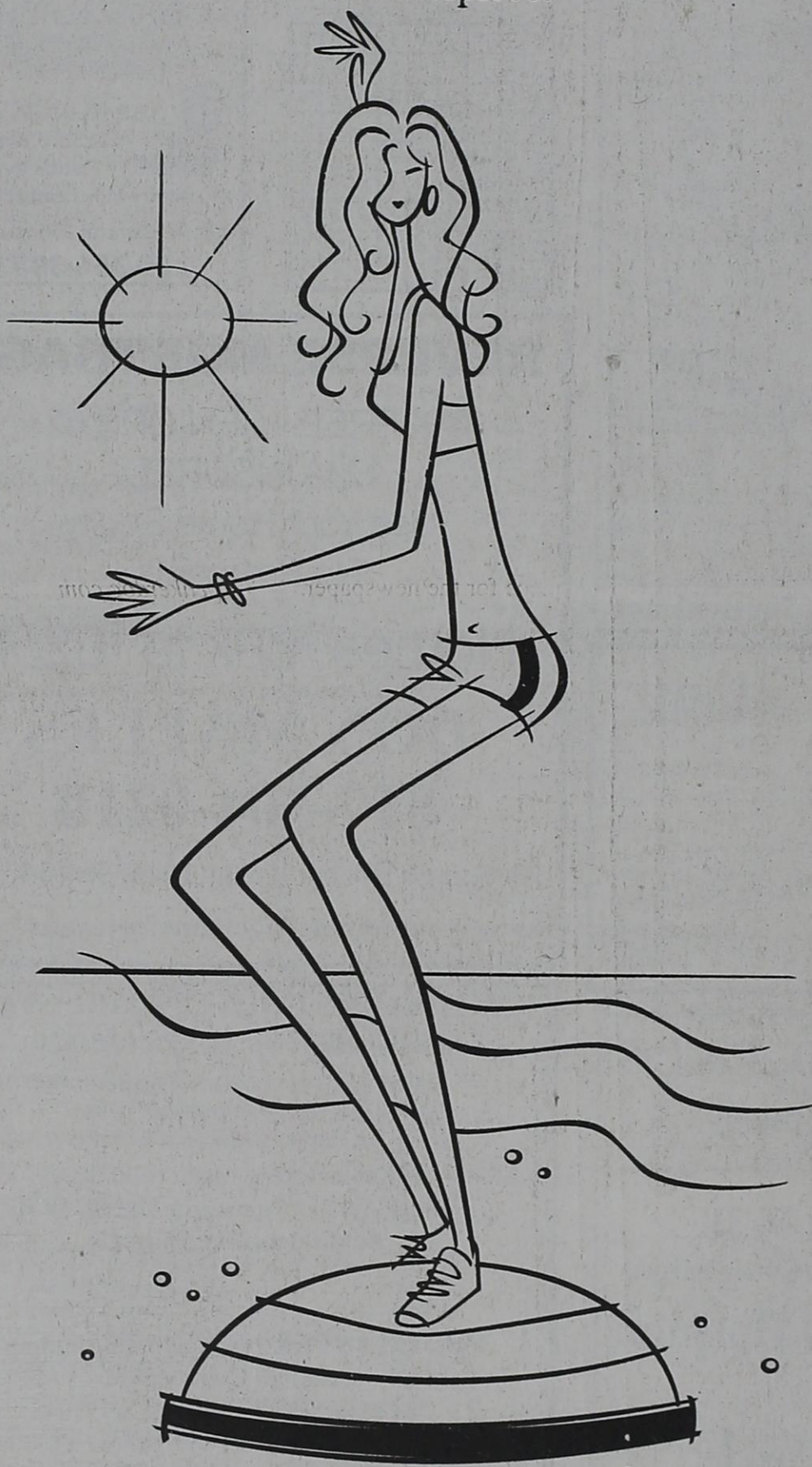


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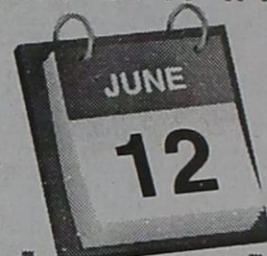
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• **1939:** THE BASEBALL HALL OF FAME OPENED IN COOPERSTOWN, N.Y.

• **1942:** ANNE FRANK RECEIVED A DIARY FOR HER BIRTHDAY.

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## New Word

## CANCER

disease caused by uncontrolled division of abnormal cells

## How they SAY that in...

**ENGLISH:** Skin

**SPANISH:** Piel

**ITALIAN:** Pelle

**FRENCH:** Peau

**GERMAN:** Haut

## Did you know?

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ANSWER: SUNGLASSES





# The Idle American

Commentary by Don Newbury

## Classics in Cowtown...

In recent days, thousands of fans gathered in Fort Worth, eager to be present as some of the most talented players engaged in world-class competition.

Onlookers, most of them envious, were in awe of the players in competitions that took on marathon status.

Some of the stars challenged the toughest musical compositions in the Van Cliburn International Piano Competition at Bass Hall, while others pursued a trophy, plaid jacket, and big money at the annual Colonial Invitational Tournament a few miles away. They played their hearts out, the former conquering the ivories of a concert piano, and the latter trying to bring a world-renowned golf course to its knees....

Thousands of folks who love piano or golf left Cowtown with dreams of what might have been.

"What if" parental pleas for piano practice had been heeded? "What if" triple-digit scorecards had been regarded as mere bumps in the road?

Too much time is spent, no doubt, on thoughts of roads not taken, reducing many potential stars in music or

sports to gallery status....

In my early years, well-intentioned parents tucked some money aside for piano lessons.

I attended just one, kicking and screaming in protest. During the lesson, I knocked over a lamp, feigned a tummy ache and broke into chopsticks while the teacher was explaining something about "Every Good Boy Does Fine."

By lesson's end, I had established a new low mark on my teacher's "good boy list." Finally, she squared my shoulders, looked me straight in the eye and said, "Don, if you don't shape up this minute, I'm going to tell your folks that you have definite promise...."

Golf wasn't my thing, either. I made the team at my tiny high school only because five players were needed to field a team. I was, uh, the number five player.

I would have had to shave off at least 20 strokes each round to improve my status from catastrophic to mere embarrassment.

My coach said if my golf game were a prize fight, they'd stop it....

A country boy, I've spent some "what if" time wondering if my musical or athletic propensities might have better shined had I been reared in a cosmopolitan setting.

Bob Murphey, a speaker friend whose stories warmed even the coldest cockles, loved to tell a story about being from the country.

"Folks from New York City think Chicago folks are from the country," he'd droll. "And people from Chicago think the same thing about folks from Dallas, and Dallas citizens feel like Kilgore folks are rural...."

One day, his story goes, a Kilgore native bristled when a visitor suggested (albeit in error) that Kilgore had never produced any truly famous person.

The local sputtered and fumed, but failed to challenge the visitor. Later, he kicked himself that he hadn't thought to mention Van Cliburn, the musical prodigy who attended elementary school there.

His mental wheels spinning, he figured that maybe the community hadn't really done enough to "show off" their star on the local stage....

He sprang into action. He rented the high school auditorium, had multi-colored signs printed for barbershop windows, and wrote a "come one, come all" piece for the newspaper.

Alas, winter took a strangle hold on Kilgore on the very day Van Cliburn was to perform. Highways were iced over, and the event organizer claimed to be able to keep his old pick-up on the road only because he had the forethought to throw 300 pounds of chicken feed into the truck for better traction.

Still, a couple of dozen citizens showed up, adults "paying a dollar, and children 12 and under, 50 cents," Murphey emphasized....

The organizer thanked the meager crowd for showing up, then turned to the youthful Van Cliburn, who already held international renown.

"I'm just so sorry about the unforeseen circumstances, Mr. Cliburn," he apologized. "Given such bad weather and with such a sparse crowd, we certainly don't expect a full program."

A tear rolled down his face as he made a mournful plea: "But, since a few of us did brave the elements to come out, could you sing us just one song?"...

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## Moran Homecoming Set For Oct. 23-24

The 2009 Moran Homecoming will be held on Friday, October 23 and Saturday, October 24, according to an announcement by the Moran Ex-Student & Teacher Association. The Moran Bulldogs are scheduled to host the Blackwell Hornets for the homecoming football game on Friday night, with the remaining homecoming activities scheduled on Saturday as usual. A parade and street dance are among the activities being considered this year, in addition to the traditional exes program. The Ex-Student & Teacher

Association will hold a meeting very soon to discuss plans for this year's homecoming, although a meeting date has not yet been finalized. In the meantime, if you would like to volunteer to help with this year's homecoming or if you need further information, please contact Duston Brooks at (325) 945-3145, Aline McCormack at 945-3715, Jo Ellen Hise at 945-2199 or send an e-mail to [moranhomecoming@aol.com](mailto:moranhomecoming@aol.com). Please make plans to attend this year's homecoming.

## Callahan County Riding Club 2009 Play Dates Announced

The 2009 Callahan County Riding Club season kicked off on Saturday, May 2nd at the arena on FM 603 in Eula with other dates throughout the summer.

At 6 p.m. there was a membership drive so that everyone can get the required Coggins papers filed and membership dues paid. The play day began at 7 p.m. with a grand entry and fun for everyone. The concession stand was up and running. Everyone is encouraged to come out to these playdays.

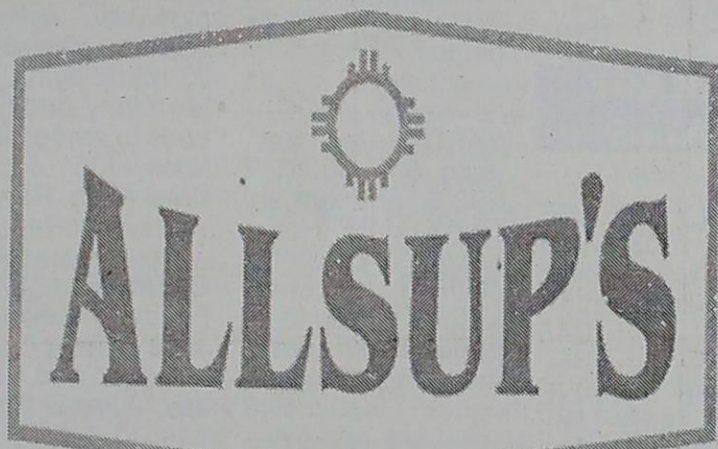
The schedule for the 2009 season is below. All regularly scheduled play days will begin with trainers/exhibitions at 6:30 and the

events beginning at 7 p.m. Check us out on the web for updates at hyperlink <http://www.callahancountyridingclub.com>

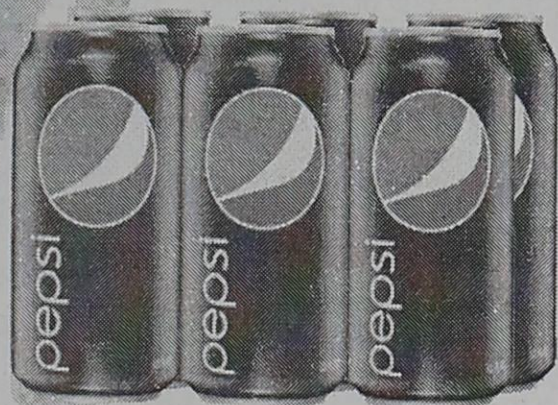
June Dates: Saturday, June 6th; Sunday, June 14th (NBHA); Saturday, June 20th; Saturday, June 27th; Sunday, June 28th (NBHA)

August Dates: Saturday, August 8th; Saturday, August 15th; Saturday, August 22nd; Saturday, August 29th.

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We would like to thank everyone for their love and support during the extended illness and death of our loved one, Traci Parks. We want to thank the Leon River Cowboy Church for the noon meal before the service and the love and support shown to our family. Also, we want to thank all our friends, loved ones and families in the community for the food, flowers, prayers, visits and continual support. We are blessed to be a part of such a giving and caring community.

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**Notice of Meeting Friday**

Notice is hereby given that Eastland County Commissioner's Court will meet in a Special Meeting at 9:00 a.m. on Friday, June 5, 2009 in Eastland County Commissioner's Courtroom, Eastland, Texas, to consider the following agenda items:

1. Open and accept bids for HVAC and electric in District Attorney's and Tax Assessor/Collector's Offices
2. Discuss and consider additional electrical supply for the Courthouse

Posted by order of Eastland County Commissioner's Court

Any of the above and foregoing agenda items, which require action, may be acted upon by the Commissioner's Court

Dublin Dr Pepper's huge 118th birthday cake.

The annual birthday party, which began in 1991 when the plant observed its 100th birthday, is a "thank you" celebration from the Dublin Dr Pepper Bottling Co. and parent company, Dr Pepper Snapple Group to their customers. All proceeds from the birthday celebration benefit local and area non-profit and charitable organizations. So you are invited to join Dublin Dr. Pepper and stroll back in time on the yellow brick road to celebrate some of the special things that made America great. For more information, please contact Lori Dodd or Rhonda Jeske at 254-445-4210, email us at drpeppertx@embarq-mail.com or visit our website at www.dublindrpepper.com.

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**'Night At The Museum' To Show Again**

News from the Majestic Theater this week is that the movie "Night At The Museum: Battle Of The Smithsonian" is being held over for another weekend here. That will give local theater fans another chance to see this new film, which has been first in the box office across the country.

It will show again from Friday, June 5 through Monday, June 8. Doors at the Majestic will be open at 7 p.m. nightly, with curtain time 7:30. General admission will be \$4.50 at the box office, with balcony seats \$6.00 (adults only). The film is rated as

PG-13, and is a family-type comedy. It also has some educational sidelights and interesting photography.

The movie is actually a sequel to the popular "Night At The Museum," which showed in 2006. It also stars Ben Stiller, who helps carry the story along at a fast clip. Stiller has a good back-up cast.

In this new story, Larry Daly (Stiller) is no longer a security guard drudge, making minimum wages guarding the Museum Of Natural History (NYC) at night. Instead, the good-natured dreamer has turned

into an inventor of gadgets.

But then he learns that some of his favorite exhibits at the Museum of Natural History have been sent to the Smithsonian Museum (Washington D.C.) for storage.

So he decides to infiltrate the Smithsonian and check them out. He is afraid they may be in danger from an ancient Pharaoh and some other characters who refuse to stay put.

Daly was right, and what follows keeps him mighty busy until this problem is solved!

**Dublin Dr. Pepper's 118th Birthday June 13**

"There's no place like home!" There really is no place like home! And the good news is that this event is close to your home! Come join Dorothy, Toto, Scarecrow, Tin Man, and the Cowardly Lion as they journey down the yellow brick road.. for Dublin Dr Pepper's big birthday bash. On June 13, 2009, the oldest Dr Pepper bottling plant in the world, located in Dublin, Texas, will celebrate its 118th Birthday. This year's begins on Monday, June 8 when for one week, the Dublin city limit signs are changed to read "Dr Pepper, Texas." Friday night, June 12, Alleyfest will kick off with only the best in arts and crafts displayed in Dublin's Hogan's Alley. Festivities include great live music by Layne Golden and the 10-2-4 Band AND as night begins to settle in, there will be a hot air balloon glow.

Early Saturday, June 13, is when the real fun begins--starting with the 10-2-4k runs. No matter what level runner you are, we've got the run for you! The 10-2-4k run is a charity event with all proceeds going to the Dublin Lions Club. For on-line registration and information for the 10-2-4K please visit our

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New this year, will be the first ever Tour de Pepper Bike ride. Dublin Dr Pepper has joined hands with Kids Across Cultures to bring 9, 34 and 62 mile courses that wind down country roads throughout the Cross Timbers area. More information and on-line registration is available at our website.

Beginning at 10 am on Saturday, there will be plenty of entertainment to fill the rest of the day. This year's birthday theme is "There's No Place Like Home". Live 40s big band sounds like Judy Garland, Frank Sinatra, and

the Rat Pack will play throughout the day. There will be a 'horse of a different color' carriage rides, lots of inflatable games for kids of all ages, an art and photography contest, and free Dublin Dr Pepper flows like a fountain all day.

Visitors will be treated to free tours of the oldest Dr. Pepper bottling plant in the USA and the world-famous Dublin Dr. Pepper museum. Also, to make this the perfect family event, there will be a wide variety of carnival games and food booths - all operated by and benefiting charitable organizations. And of course, everyone will share in

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The Spaghetti Supper starts at 5 p.m. with the music following at 6:30. Hear Olde Time Country Music performed by musicians from the old Cottonwood Musicals and some musicians that are new to Cottonwood.

The Cottonwood Community Center, which was once the community's schoolhouse, is under the care of the Cottonwood Historical Association, which also oversees the old Post Office, Methodist Church and two cemeteries. The building is located on CR 446, off of FM 880 in Cottonwood, 5 miles North of Cross Plains.

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# Obituaries

## Kenneth Dale Farmer

COTTONWOOD- Kenneth Dale Farmer, 63, died Saturday, May 23, 2009 in a local hospital. Memorial services were held at 10 a.m. Friday, May 29, 2009 at the Cross Plains Fire Department with Rev. Matt McGowan officiating. Arrangements were by Starbuck Funeral Home. Kenneth was born March 16, 1946 in Great Falls, Montana to Virgil Lee and Mary Ola (Trammel) Farmer. He married Norma Hale. He attended school in Hamlin. He was a Vietnam Army Veteran serving 3 tours of duty as a master sergeant and also serving in the Army Airborne. He then became an army recruiter serving in Wichita Falls, Abilene and Moses Lake, WA. He was a homebuilder for many

years and a rancher who raised longhorn cattle. Most recently he was a firefighter in the Cottonwood Volunteer Fire Department. He liked to tinker in his workshop and he loved to read. He was a caregiver and practical joker.

Survivors are his wife, Norma Farmer of Cottonwood; daughter, DeeAnn Burke and husband Lawson of Lone, CA; 3 sons, Travis Northern of Lone, CA, Kenny Farmer and wife Katy of Ft. Lauderdale, FL., and Jack Farmer and wife Linda of Oregon; his mother, Mary Massey of Abilene; 2 sisters, Linda Curtis and husband Paul of Abilene and Peggy Phillips and husband, Danny of Bryan; a brother, Jimmy Massey and wife Terry of Tye; and 4 grandchildren.

Memorials may be made to Cottonwood Volunteer Control Unit c/o Diane Smith 13996 CR 461, Cross Plains, Texas 76443.

## Mary Garner Sawyers

ABILENE- Mary Garner Sawyers, 75, died Wednesday, May 27, 2009 at an Abilene hospital.

A memorial service was held at 1:30 p.m. Friday, May 29, 2009 at First Baptist Church in Tuscola. Rev. Buddy Goodgame officiated. Private burial was in Elmwood Memorial Park, directed by Fry-Bartlett Funeral Home of Tuscola.

Mary was born April 22, 1934 to Granville G. and Edna Lucille Barr Garner in Spencerville, Oklahoma. She married Donald Wayne Sawyers June 4, 1954 in Greenwood, Texas. She worked for Keith D. Graham Oil Company in Midland and Abilene for 30+ years, retiring in 2003. She moved to Abilene from Midland in 2003, to Lawn in 2004, and returned to Abilene earlier this year. She was a member of First Baptist Church in Tuscola and frequently volunteered

in many charitable organizations in Abilene.

She was preceded in death by her parents; and a brother, John Garner.

Survivors are one daughter, Teresa Winkles and husband, Ken of Pecos; two sons, Gary Sawyers and wife, Vikki of Abilene and Don Sawyers and wife, Lisa of Tuscola; three granddaughters, Heather Sawyers, Hailey Sawyers and Keirsten Benson; five grandsons, K. W. Winkles, Kyle Winkles, Casey Benson, Ryder Sawyers, and Michael Luvaul and

wife, Mandy; three brothers, Everett Leon Garner and Alton Garner both of Frisco, and Gene Garner of Clyde; several nieces, nephews, and other relatives; and many friends.

## Evelyn R. Scott

CLYDE- Evelyn R. Scott, 83, died Tuesday, June 2, 2009 at a local hospital.

Services will be at 2 p.m. Thursday, June 4, 2009 at Hwy 36 Church of Christ.

Visitation was held from 6-8 p.m. Wednesday at the funeral home.

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## Obituary

### David C. McCall

CLYDE- David C. McCall, 56, of Clyde, Texas died Sunday, May 31, 2009 at a Baird Care Center.

Graveside services were held at 10 a.m. Tuesday, June 2, 2009 at the Dudley Cemetery with Pastor Chuck Farina officiating. Directed by Bailey Funeral Home of Clyde.

David, a lifelong resident of Abilene and Clyde, was born April 10, 1953 in Abilene to L.J. and Hollis Edean McCall.

Survivors are his father and step-mother, L.J. and Wanda McCall of Clyde; mother, Hollis Eldean Key of Oklahoma; aunt, Mae Pearl Collins of Clyde; several step-brothers and sisters, including B.J. Scogins of Burleson, Johnny Hollingsworth of White Settlement, David Barber of Mineral Wells, Norene Morgan of Hamlin, Helen Hackney of Denver City, and Carroll Bowman of Abilene, Sonny Blancet of Salt Lake, Utah, Calvin Blancet of Amarillo, Larry Blancet of Denver City.

He was preceded in death by one brother, Jackie Dean McCall and step-mother, Dora Viola McCall.



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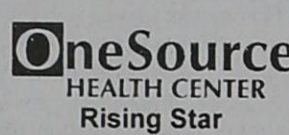


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# Obituaries

## Thomas Lee Groom

ABILENE- Thomas Lee Groom, 28, of Abilene, died May 27, 2009 at his home. Services were held Sunday, May 31, 2009 at 2 p.m. at Piersall Chapel. Burial was in the new Veteran's Cemetery in Abilene at 10 a.m. Tuesday, June 2.

Thomas was born October 8, 1980 in Hillsdale, Michigan to William Groom and Cherrie Bolenbaugh. He graduated from high school in Gaylesville, Alabama and immediately joined the service. He decided to join the United States Air Force and took college courses while he served. He loved to work on his truck and enjoyed four wheeling. He also enjoyed collecting and shooting guns as a hobby. During his time in the Air Force he worked on the B-1 bomber.

He has lived in Abilene since 2000 and was honorably discharged from the service in 2006. During the time he served his country he received the National Defense Service Medal, Air Force Longevity Service Award, Global War on Terrorism Service Medal

## Baird Market Daze Sign-Ups Underway

All local vendors, individuals and organizations interested in participating in the annual Market Daze in downtown Baird are asked to contact the Chamber of Commerce.

Plans for the Saturday, June 27th event sponsored by the Chamber are coming together as the Chamber board and Museum workers tie up loose ends for the usual activities as well as some special projects. New events are expected to attract a large crowd this year. More details will be announced in the coming weeks.

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and the Air Force Training Ribbon. Since his discharge from the Air Force, Thomas has been working for Coca-Cola as a mechanic. He truly enjoyed the friends he made there.

Thomas was preceded in death by his father, William Thomas Groom.

Survivors are his mother, Cherrie Ferguson Bolenbaugh of Clyde; one brother, Chad Bolenbaugh of Alabama; grandmothers, Mary Smith of Hillsdale, Michigan and Norma Belknap of Moscow, Michigan; also many extended family and friends.

## Luck Wayne (L.W.) Mitchell, Jr.

Luck Wayne (L.W.) Mitchell, Jr., 88, of Cross Plains died Sunday, May 31, 2009 at Songbird Nursing Home in Brownwood.

Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Thursday, June 4, 2009 at Higginbotham Chapel in Cross Plains with Rex Beggs officiating, assisted by Ronnie B. White. Burial will follow in the Eastland Cemetery in Eastland.

He was born May 25, 1921 in Tolar, Texas to L.W. Mitchell, Sr. and wife Ida C. (Collins) Mitchell. He married Jeanne Juncker on June 9, 1967 in Lafayette, CO. She preceded him in death on January 11, 2008. L.W. served in the U.S. Navy and mentioned numerous times of how proud he was to have

served his country. He was a member of the First Baptist Church of Cross Plains.



He is survived by his son, Cliff Mitchell of TN; daughter, Linda; step-daughter, Maonique Graham of CO; sister, Betty Jo Scott of Ft. Worth; a grandson and two step-grandsons; as well as numerous nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents, wife, three brothers, Milburn, Evan and Roy Mitchell; two sisters, Gracie Moore and Dixie Pontremoli.

Family and friends are invited to a time of visitation and the sharing of memories at Higginbotham Funeral Home on Wednesday, June 3 from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m.

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### Scranton Homecoming Musical To Be Saturday

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Putnam will host a school reunion on June 6, 2009. Refreshments and visiting will begin at 9:00AM at the old school building. Lunch will be served at 11:30AM.  
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**640 Acres** -Callahan Co- completely wooded with several very large hill ridges & canyons with views for miles, 7 ponds with several being very large, mostly live oak & mesquite, creeks, 140 feet of elevation change, good road frontage, close to Eastland Co. line, wildlife includes deer, turkey, hogs, dove, duck, & quail \$2,100 per acre

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