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## Volume 119, Number 4

## Commissioner's Court Meeting with Open Public Hearing

 and Agrees to Publish Maps Showing All Public RoadsA meeting of the 23,2006 , at $10: 02$ present as well as the Callahan County a.m. by Judge Corn. County Clerk and ExCommissioners was The meeting was was Officio Clerk of the held with the public called to order with all held with the public called to order with all invited on January Commissi

Texas Department of $S$
Services
Immunization Clinics in Callahan County Monday, February 6th
Monday, February 6th
Baird Cafetorium 400 W. 7th Time: 10-2
Cross Plains Housing Authority 233 N. Main

Wednesday, February 8th Clyde First Baptist Church 216 Austin
Time: 10-12 \& 1:30-3
Please bring child's Immunization Records
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2006 Callahan County Jr. Livestock Show January 19-21
Cross Plains, Texas
Rabbits
Jr. Showmanship - Jacob Archa, Eula 4-H
Sr. Showmanship - Michael Archa, Eula 4-H
Breeding Rabbits
White Bucks
$1^{1^{\text {tt }} \text { Place- }}$ Place-
$3^{\text {rd }}$ Place-
Colored Bucks
$1^{\text {st }}$ Place- Hayley Ancinec, Clyde 4-H $2^{\text {nd }}$ Place- Skyler Archa, Eula 4-H $3^{\text {rd }}$ Place- Michael Archa, Eula 4-H

## Champion Buck

Hayley Ancinec, Clyde 4-H
Reserve Champion Buck
Skyler Archa, Eula 4-H
White Does
${ }^{\text {st }}$ Place- Skyler Archa, Eula 4-H $2^{\text {nd }}$ Place- Michael Arch, Eula 4-H $3^{2^{\text {rd }}}$ Place- Place- Jurnee Thomas, CP FFA
Colored Does
$1^{\text {st }}$ Place- Ben Shaefer, CP FFA $2^{\text {nd }}$ Place- Allison Robbins, Baird 4-H $3^{\text {rd }}$ Place- Skyler Archa, Eula 4-H
Champion Doe
Ben Schaefer, CP FFA
Reserve Champion Doe
Skyler Archa, Eula 4-H
Market Rabbits
Fryer Pen
$1^{\text {st }}$ Place- Summer Hargrove, Baird FFA
$2^{\text {nd }}$ Place- Mary Seay, Clyde 4-H
$3{ }^{\text {rd }}$ Place- Hailey Biggs, CP FFA

## Champion Fryer Pen

Summer Hargrove, Baird FFA
Reserve Champion Fryer Pen
Mary Seay, Clyde, 4-H
Broilers
Jr. Showmanship- Katelynn Mitchell, Baird 4-H
Sr. Showmanship - Jud Clark, Baird FFA
Pen of Three
$1^{\text {st }}$ Place- Jonathan Hopkins, CP FFA
$2^{\text {nd }}$ Place- Katelynn Mitchell, Baird 4-H
$3^{\text {rd }}$ Place- Jud Clark, Baird FFA
'hampion Broiler
Jonathan Hopkins, CP FFA
Reserve Champion Broiler
Katelvnn Mitchell, Baird 4-H
Swine
Jr. Showmanship- Rode Merryman, Clyde FFA
Sr. Showmanship- Katie Bessent, Baird FFA
For the fire in cross plains
please make Monetary and Bottled
Water donations to
Red Cross


Callahan County Extension Office
100 W. 4 $4^{\text {th }}$ Street Suite 201
Baird, Texas 79504

## Forage SEminar

A special 5-hour CEU Forage Seminar is set for February $9^{\text {th }}$ at the Cross Plains Community Center. Registration starts at 8:30 a.m. The program begins at 9:00 a.m. The goal of this program is to provide producers with information on forage management producers with information on forage management strategies to help them produce uniform, high quality
forage to meet their production goals. These strateforage to meet their production goals. These strate-
gies will include management techniques on winter wheat, annual summer forages and existing bermudagrass pastures.

Speakers for the Seminar will include: Dr. Chris Sansone, Extension Entomologist - San Angelo and Dr. Billy Warrick, Extension Agronomist from San Angelo, Dr. Ron Gill, Extension Livestock Specialist and Dr. Larry Redmon, Extension Forage Specialist - College Station. Dr. Warrick will discuss Warm \& Cool Season Weed Management. Dr. Sansone will discuss Forage Insects and Dr. Ron Gill will be discussing forage utilization and the new animal ID program. Dr. Redmon will discuss selection, establishment and renovation of Bermudagrass pastures Mark Bills with the Texas Department of Agriculture will be on hand to give an hour of Laws and Regulation for pesticide applicators.

The cost of the Seminar and accompany ing meal is $\$ 5$ to those that pre-register by February $3^{\text {rd }}$. Registration at the door will be $\$ 10.00$ per person. This program is presented by the Extension offices in Brown, Callahan, Coleman and Eastland Counties. For further information, contact the Callahan County Extension Office at (325) 8545835.

Sincerely,
Robert Pritz
County Extension Agent

## Tx.D.O.T. Urges Motorists

Not to Toss Lighted Objects From Vehicle
As wildfires and their continuing threat persist in our areas, the Texas Department of Transportation would like to remind everyone that tossing a cigarette or any type of smoldering item out of a car window is a criminal act subject to a fine.
As grass fire continues to pop up along the roadways and quickly spread to adjacent properties, T.X. Dot wants to ensure that the traveling public becomes aware that any smoldering item they throw out of the window can start a wildfire.

Meals On Wheels In
Need Of Donations
The Callahan County Nutrition Project as well as the Meals on Wheels is in need of donations, due to the increases in fuel, food and repairs and a need to stay in budget. The project delivers food to those who cannot travel to the Center to have their lunch and serves about
200 meals a day while the Center serves about 150 . DoCenter serves about 150 . Do-
nations to the program may be sent to the Callahan County Nutrition Project, Ste. 302 Courthouse Baird, TX 79504.
Your support of this project is much appreciated. Several fund-raisers are in progress at the present time,
such as quilts, cook book such as quilts, cook books.
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You may contact: Project
Director Katie Dunn, 854 Director Katie Dunn, 854-
5658 at the Offict in Courthouse or one of the site managers, Bruce Bell, Baird Center 854-1937, Vickey
Burns, Clyde 893-4556 or Burns, Clyde 893-4556 or Kathy Anderso 1,

FEMA Offers Fire Related Relief to Callahan and Eastland Counties

## The Federal Emergency

 Management Agency has assisted more than 90 victims of the fire-damaged town of Cross Plains and also assessed the needs of the harmed in the fire that burned almost 40,000 acres in Eastland County
After a fire that destroyed a total of 116 homes and in
which 36 more were damwhich 36 more were dam aged and two people died on
Dec. 27, Cross Plains and Callahan County crews have "been hauling away burnt debris left by the fire...crews have also cleared charred lots, filling them with fresh dirt," according to the Abilene-Reporter News Gosnell, said that FEMA representatives have helped fire victims learn about temporary housing, public assisance and low interest loans More than $\$ 430,000$ ha United Fund at Texas Heritage Bank in Cross Plains to assist the recovery of the vic tims. Bank President Davic Estes said that the commit tee will meet this week to solidify plans on just how to among the victims. He said that "Everyone in the Big Country is helping with the effort" and that the generosity being generated is "beyond words".
The next stop for the EMA Mobile recovery Friday. They set up shop at the Carbon Community Center. Brad Stephenson, Eastland County's Judge, said that more than 42 permanent residences were lost in the Jan. 1 fire.
He also said that another 18 full-time and were destroyed by the fire that charred up to 40,000 acres or 55 square miles of ranchland between U. S. 183 near Romney to Highway 6 at Carbon and Kokomo small community. The Eastland County fire and 22 miles long Stephenson said. Fencing was the most critical loss in Eastland County, tephenson said, with damage estimated around $\$ 3$ mil ion.
Baird Head Start Now Accepting Applications
A free child development pre-school program is available to qualifying families through Central Texas Op portunities, Inc. Head Start Limited space is available for children three and four years old to help them make the transition to elementary school. Eligible children receive individualized teaching and a variety of educationa nd a vivities through Creative curivies throgh Creativ Curriculum. These stimulat mental, emotional, physica and social growth.
"Central Texas Opportunities, Inc. is a viable and sub stantial resource for Coleman, Brown, Callahan Eastland, Comanche McCulloch and Runnels County. We help low income amilies and individuals by previling them vi

## Ivon Sterling Odom, Jr.

CROSS PLAINS-Ivon Center in Abilene after a Sterling Odom, Jr., age 56, brief illness. Funeral ser-
died Wednesday, January 18, 2006 at the Hendrick Health day January 19,2006 , thurs-

## Horace E. (Hob) Elliott

Horace E. (Hob) Ellio 91, of Baird, TX died Saturaday, January 14, 2006 in an Abilene hospital. Funeral services were held Tuesday, January 17, 2005 Chapel. Jon Hardwick officiated and burial followed in the Ross Cemetery Annex, with military honors. Annex, with military honors.
Horace was born November 26, 1914 in Baird, TX to Robert Lee Elliott and Ella Fikes Elliott. He had lived in Baird all of his life. He worked at the Premier Refinery for

## Notice

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS OF PROPOSED TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (TxDOT) CONTRACTS sealed proposals for contracts isted below will be received by xDOT until the date(s) shown elow, and then publicly read. MAINTENANCE/ BUILDING FACILITIES CONTRACT(S)

Dist./Div: Abilene Contract 6136-67-001 for RIGHT OF WAY MOWING in CALLAHAN County, étc will be opened on February 02, 2006 at $1: 30 \mathrm{pm}$ at the District Iffice for an estimate of \$144,720.38.

Plans and specifications are available for inspection, along with bidding proposals, and pplications for the TxDOT Prequalified ContractorÖs list, at the applicable State and/or Dist/Div Offices listed below. If applicable, bidders must submit prequalification nformation to TxDOT at least 10 days prior to the bid date to be eligible to bid on a project. Prequalification materials may be requested from the State Office listed below. Plans for he above contract(s) are websit atw and from reproduction companies at the expense of the ontractor.
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Dist/Div Office(s)
Abilene District
District Engineer
Abilene, Texas 79604-0150
many years where he wa eral injuries. Later he worked for the City of Baird Municipal powity of Baird Municipal power and light
plant. He served in the U.S. plant. He served in the U.S. 1
Navy for four years during Navy for four years during
WWII. He was a Presbyterian. He was an avid bridge rian. He was an avid bridge
player and golfer and was player and golfer and was
considered the best and wisest bridge player in the bridge club.
He is survived by one daughter and, Shirley Latham and husband, Richard of Abilene, TX; one son: Ronnie Elliott of
Brownwood, Texas; 8 Brownwood, Texas; 8
grandchildren, 11 great grandchildren, 2 nieces and
2 nephews. He was preceded in death by 2 sisters ceded in death by 2 sisters
and 2 brothers and 2 grandand 2 brothers and 2 grand-
burral was in the Cross Plain Cemetery.
Ivon was born January 4 Sterling, Sr. and Joyce Fay (Tabor) Odom. He graduated from Cross Plains High School in 1968. He served in the Army National Guard for six years. He was employed at Western Trailer Equipment in Abilene and was a mem-

## Church.

He is survived by his mother, Joyce Odom of the Rowden community; sisters Virginia Ann Trevey and husband Ralph of Snyder; Nancy Jane Palmer and husband Charlie of Clyde; nephews David and Scott Trevey, and Michael Palmer and a niec ennifer Stewart as well as three aunts and numerous cousins. He was preced in death by his father in 1989. In lieu of flowers donations may be made to the Cross Plains Fire Dept. PO Box 185, Cross Plains, TX 76443 or the Cross Fire Relief Fund c/o Texas Heritage Bank, PO Box 699, Cross Plains TX./


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The Idle American

No Question About That Maybe folks in the news and sports spotlight need crutch answers" for the barrage of questions they face in every town. One of them that many of the stars lean on is: "There's no question about that."
What this response often means includes:

1) "I'm already late, and you are making me even later, and/or
2) "I'll use this old line to buy a few seconds, then try to change the subject, or 3) "We both know that only a sound bite is going to make it on the air, so make do with a short response, buddy."
*****
Perhaps the leaders in taking this line farthest from the reel are sports regularly describe games for two or three hours at a time. The line "bobs up" time and time again. No question about that.

During college years, I THOUGHT I was "doing OK" on radio news and small hometown radio station. (K
THOUGHT.) THOUGHT.)

- We had a frayed card taped on the plate glass in the studio, reading: "God save us from dead air." Often He didn't. (Remember, it's often hard to improve on silence.) One day, a fellow
collegian droned on with the livestock report, as though he cows, hoogs and sheep. Credibility took leave, however, when he two syllables- "e-wees."

Too many media folks forget that brevity, humor and simplicity are first cousins, and can be bes

## Answers to Crossword Puzzi



Piano, Fiddle, Suzuki Violin
nimitable Paul Harvey endearing himself to listener with "high dollar words.
Indeed not. Relying on the cousins cited above-plus the best use of the pause by microphone-Mr. Harvey microphone-Mr. Harvey achieved heralded status among broadcasters long go. He's now in his seventh decade of distinction, and for many millions of us, the favorite by far.

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Sometimes the interviews occur at holiday time. Maybe it's because both interviewer and interviewee are in "winding down" modes, basking in memory's glow.
Consider this: Norm Hitzges, longtime Dallas radio sports authority, was interviewing Dallas Mav ericks' Avery Johnson at

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## Fire North Of

## Rising Star Thursday

Fire Departments from Brawner Place, about 2 mi most areas have been fight- north of Rising Star and west ing small fires during the

dangerous conditions. A fire near Rising Star was stopped by firefighters another big on
It was reported about 2:15
p.m.Thursday, Jan. 19 on the

## Daily Devotions

By Wanda Lee Beck Skinner Look Up For Help Psalm 121:1. I will lift up mine eyes to the hills, from whence cometh my help. My
help cometh from the Lord which made Heaven and earth.
Word came that six to eight inches of snow had fallen in Salida Colorado fallen in Salida Colorado overnight. My first reaction was why could we nove gotten six to eight inches of much needed rain? Then I read Psalm 121:1. I realized
God has given us so many God has given us so many blessings and the question
came, "Have I been thankful for those?" Lets begin counting the blessings and sharing our appreciation with
others so that the "Help from others so that the "Help from
above" will pour out His blessings of rain on the dry parched and seared Texas pastures. Could a revival of Praise and Thanksgiving be the beginning of the giving of plentiful rains? Are you willing to give it a try?

## Alzheimer

Seminar Feb. 2
The Alzheimer's Association is happy to present a free
two hour seminar in Eastland two hour seminar in Eas on February 2, 2006. sist in learning Sist in learning communication skills and partnership techniques designed to reduce the stress of doctor vis-

Thursday, January 26, 2006 restaurants wearing it on the : Still
Still another radio personality perks things up with descriptions of bumper stickers spotted on the way to work. (I listen carefully oulls them bumper "snickers," like Paul Harvey, but to her credit, she

Maybe she could call them "automotive adornment admonitions." Whatever, a
couple of recent ones include: GOLD SECRET; GETS LODE OFF HIS MIND.
And the other: I DO NOT SUFFER FROM INSAN ITY; I ENJOY EVERY MINUTE OF IT.

Well, I've done it again, "uloding" on you. Don't blame God. In my youth, listeners were not saved from dead air. Now, readers are not spared from dead space.

No question about that.
Dr. Newbury is a speaker who addresses more than 100 audiences annually educational, business, church and professional settings. His column appears weekly in 125 newspapers in several states. He welcomes comments and 3872 or send email, newbury@speakerdoc.com Check his website at check his websil
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CALLAHAN COUNTY BAIRD STAR

## Callahan County Jr. Livestock

Show January 19-21
results from the Junior 6th place Megan Betcher Livestock Show in Callahan County held at the Callahan

County Show Barn on Saturday, January 14th follow:
Baird Jr. Livestock Show Results:

Rabbit Division
Breeding Does:
Champion \& First PlaceNicholas King
Reserve Champion \&
Second Place-
Nicholas King
Frd Place: Blake McGee
Rabbits-Pen of Tryers 1 st Place \& Champion Market Rabbit-Coby MicGonagill
3ind Place Emalie Green 4th Place Summer
Hargrove,
5th Place Breanna Patterson
8th Place Allison Robbins 9th Place Blake McGee Rabbit Showmanship Emalie Green Poultry Division Broilers:
1st Place \& ChampionJud Clard
2nd Place \& Reserve Champion-Katelynn Mitchell
3rd Place-Tate Rhoads 4th Place Ty Rhoads 5th Place: Katelyn Walker BroilerShowmanship-Jud Clark

Southdown Lamb
1st Place and Champion Shouthdown: Bree Ann Strickland

Grand Ole Opry Museum To Open In Eastland February 3

A major Grand Ole Opry Eastland County. "It will Exhibit with live local music truly be the center to exploit
and many surprises will help the county's exciting
eelebrate the grand opening history." celebrate the grand opening of the Eastland County Museum in Eastland on Eriday, Feb. 3, and run through March 10
Organized and toured by Exhibits USA, the all-free Opry exhibit will appeal to all ages, and to music lovers of County Museum established in the renovated Petroleum Building which last housed Eastland National Bank on the square in downtown Eastland.
The Museum will spotlight every facet of past and present life of every town and area in
(Head start
continuea from Pg. 1)
resources, like the Head Start program, to make the ransition to self sufficiency," said Executive Director, Merridee McClatchy
Central Texas Opportuniies Inc. Head Start provides children with medical, dental, speech, hearing and disabilty services. They also receive meals, snacks, outdoor and ndoor play.
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A pre-opening trial run of the exhibit with music will be held Thursday evening, Feb. 2 to give Museum Board Members a preview look.
The

The Grand Opening to the public will be Friday, Feb. 3rd and will feature live music by area musicians who have musicians who have actually performed on the Grand Opry Stage in Nashville. Among the performers will be Roy "The Fingerless Fiddler"
Thackerson, an Eastland County native, who was drafted by the late Roy Acuff to perform on the Opry stage.
The Exhibit will be open Tuesdays through Saturdays from 10 to 5 except for evening hours on Fridays and Saturdays.
Other musicians will be performing at other evening showings.
This exhibit captures The Grand Ole Opry and country music in its 'golden age'-that time in history when the music was busting its regional bounds and completing the transition from amateur folk music to professional popular art form. The Opry celebrated its 80 th birthday in November over station WSM, carrying the Opry's music to 28 states.

## Baird I.S.D. Lunch Menu ${ }^{\circ}$.)

## Thurs., Jan. 26

 Cheese Enchiladas or rito Pie, refried beans, Spawnie milk, cornbeard, brownie, nilk, fruitFri., Jan. 27 Chili Cheese Dog or Hamburger, French fries, lettuce, tomato, dessert, milk, fruit

## Newspaper <br> Deadlines

Tuesdays by
5 p.m.
Classifieds
$\$ 5.00$ for 1
time and $\$ 3.00$
each time
after 1st time (Not over 25 words)

Mon., Jan. 30 Deli Sandwich or Grilled Cheese, vegetable soup, lettuce, tomato, frui Tues, 31 Lasagna or Pizza, tossed salad, corn, garlic bread cake, milk, fruit Rising Star High School

7th Place Michelle Robbins

Cross Lamb1st Place and Champion Cross-Ty Strickland Grand Champion LambTy Strickland Reserve Grand Champion
Lamb-BreAnn Strickland Lamb Showmanship: Ty Strickland
Market Goat Division Class 1:1st Place-Lauren Orlando
2nd Place: Payton McIntire 3rd Place-Katelynn Mitchell
4th Place-Nickalos Darnell 5th place-Nickalos Darnell 6th Place: Nicholas King.
Class II

1st Place-Tyler Orlando 2nd Place Katelynn Mitchell.
3rd place-Tyler Rhoads.
4th Place-Ty Rhoads.
5h Place Alysa Isenhower. 6th Place-Rose Wamsley 7th place Jessica King Class III
1st Place Katelynn Mitchell
2nd place Ty Rhoads. 3rd Place Tate Rhoads 4th place Cody Gibbs 5th place Coby McGonagill 6th place Katelynn Mitchell 7th Place Lacy Jones Class IV
1st place Coby McGonagill 2nd place Coby McGonagill
3rd place: Roger Wamsley 4th place Veronica Alverado
5th place Rose Wamsley
Class V
1st place: Ty Rhoads
2nd place: Alysa Isenhower 3rd Place Roger Wamsley 4th place Rose Wamsley Grand Champion Meat Goat Tyler Orlando Reserve Grand Champion Meat Goat: Coby
McGonagill
Goat Showmanship:Tyler Orlando
Market Swine Division

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## Tickets For Side of Beef Being <br> Sold Now

The parents of the Senior Class of 2006 are selling tickets for a side of beef to raise money for Project Graduation. The tickets are $\$ 10.00$ each. The drawing will be in February 2006 You can purchase the ticket from any senior parent or contact Baird High School at 854-1400 ext. 302

Callahan Junior Livestock Show Held The Callahan Junior Livestock Show began at 9:00 a.m. and judging started then and finished up shortly after noon with about 65 entries in the show. The judges of 2005 lo cal show were Michael Raney, Ag Science Instructor from

The Baird Livestock Association would like to thank ev eryone that attended the show to support our Baird YOuth and we would like to Thank the following sponsors for their support in making the Baird Livestock, J. R. possible.Doug, Karen and Kat Johnston for sponsoring the Champion Belt Buckles, First National Bank of Baird for sponsoring the ribbons for our show, Dick Vestal for announcing, Danny \& Kim Vestal and Torn \& Jan Windham for the Showmanship Plaques

## Chesser Class <br> Champion and 1st Place

 Chester-Rylan Rogers
ReserveChampion \& 2nd place Chester: Chandler Albergucci
3rd Place Chandler Albergucci

York Class
Champion \& First Place
York: Cody Smith
Reserve Champion \& 2nd
Place York: Kat Johnston
3rd Place Kat Johnston Black, O.P.B. <Class
Light Weight
1st Place: Amber Clark
2nd Place Ty Strickland
Black O.P.B., Class Heavy

## Weight:

1st Place- Kat Johnston
2nd Place: Rylan Rogers. 3rd place Preston Clark
$\frac{\text { Champion O.P.B.: }}{\text { Amber Clark }}$
Reserve Champion:
O.P.B.- Kat Johnston
$\frac{\text { Duroc Class Light Weight }}{\text { Ist Place: Kayla Windham }}$
Ist Place: Kayla Windham 2nd Place-Kat Johnston Breeding Swine

Cross Gilts
$1^{1^{\text {s }}}$ Place-
$3^{2^{\text {nd }} \text { Place- }}$ Place -
Hampshire Gilts
$1^{\text {st }}$ Place-
Justin Gray, Eula FFA
$3^{\text {rd }}$ Place-
Duroc Gilts
$1^{\text {st }}$ Place-
Garrett Strickland, Oplin 4.
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Kelbi Hyles, CP FFA
Champion Breeding Gilt

Garrett Strickland, Oplin 4-
H Reserve Champion
Breeding Gilt Kat
Johnston, Baird FFA

Market Swine
Light Weight Black
OPB
$1^{\text {st }}$ Place- Chandler
Albergucci, Baird FFA
$2^{\text {nd }}$ Place- Kirstie Rand, Clyde FFA
$3^{\text {rd }}$ Place- Preston Clark, Baird 4-H

Medium Weight
Black OPB lack OPB
$1^{\text {st }}$ Place- Chandler
Albergucci, Baird FFA
$2^{\text {nd }}$ Place-Brittany Wal
$22^{\text {nd }}$ Place-Brittany Walsh, Clyde 4-H
$3^{\text {rd }}$ Place- Trendon Rouse, Clyde 4-H

OPB
$1^{\text {st }} \mathrm{Pl}$
PB
lace- Trendon Rouse,
Clyde 4-H
$2^{\text {nd }}$ Place- Rachelle Allen,
CP FFA CP FFA
$3^{\text {rd }}$ Place- Chazney Gray, Clyde 4-H
$4^{\text {th }}$ Place- Bobby Tackett, Clyde FFA
$5^{\text {th }}$ Place- Kat Johnston, Baird FFA

OPB
Champion Black
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FFA
Reserve Champion
Black OPB
Black OPB
Trendon Rouse, Clyde 4-H

Thursday, January 26, 2006
Light Weight Duroc
${ }^{\text {s }}$ Place-Rode Merryman, Yorkshire Clyde FFA
$2^{\text {nd }}$ Place- Kirstie Rand, Clyde FFA
$3^{\text {rd }}$ Place- BreAnn Strickland, Baird 4-H

Middle Weight Duroc
$1^{\text {si }}$ Place- Derek Edwards, Clyde FFA
$2^{\text {nd }}$ Place- Rode Merryman, Clyde FFA
$3^{\text {rd }}$ Place- Taylor Partain, Clyde FFA

Heavy Weight Duroc

Place- Derek Edwards, Clyde FFA
$2^{\text {nd }}$ Place-Rode Merryman, Application Available

Health Sciec University ice of Rural and Community Health has opened the 2006 2007 Rural Health Education Scholarship application. The Rural Health Scholarship Program provides aps mately $\$ 150,000$ in financial assistance annually to students who are committed to returning to a rural community to practice.
The Rural Health Education Scholarship Program is geared to address the shortage of health professionals in rural West Texas by easing the expense of college for rural students.

The Rural Health Educaion Scholarship program is part of Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center's rural health initiatives to develop a pipeline of health care professionals to met the health care work force d work force eeds of West Texas
This pipeline begins with the work of the West Texas Area Health Education Center Program and its regional centers to promote health careers to young people across West Texas. The Big Country Area Health Educaion Center offers classroom presentations, health careers summer camps, and other activities to area schools in an effort to foster students interest in health careers and the opportunities that exist in rural communities
Entering freshmen, junior college transfers, and current studentsaq Texaşar Tech University as well as inooming and current students at Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center, who are eligible for in-state tuition, are eligible to apply for the scholarship. Scholarship recipients must show a substantial interest in health careers in rural Texas. Priority is given to students from rural Texas.

The scholarship amount for undergraduate students is generally $\$ 2,500$ per year for a maximum of four years and is renewable providing the student maintains a 3.2 grade point average and participates in rural health-focused activities. The number and amount of awards offered are based on funding availabil-

For more information on the scholarship and to submit applications online, visit http://www.ttuhse.edu/ uralhealth scholarships.aspx or contact Liz Inskip-Paulk in the Office of Rural and Community Health at (806) 743-1338.

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Agricultural Viewpoint

EXTENSION HELPING EXTINGUISH WILDFIRE WORRIES WITH INFORMATION ASSISTANCE
Though wildfires have al ready had a serious impact on the state's urban and rural residents, the situation will remain critical for months to come, even if it rains, a Texas Cooperative Extension expert said.
"The Texas Forest Service has determined there is the potential for additional wildfires throughout Texas through the month of March and possibly beyond," said Dr. Andy Vestal, Extension Specialist for emergency preparedness in College Station. "That's even if there's a normal amount of rain for this time of year. There is an enormous amount of dry material out there, and we probably will not be able to count on adequate moisture from rain to remedy that sit ation until the spring."
Texans have been in a fortunate position to prepare for and help prevent wildfires due to the Texas Forest Service's science-based predictions relating to wildfire potential, Vestal said. "Unlike with hurricanes or other disasters, the forest service has been able to assess and forecast conditions that are conducive to wildfire months ahead," he said. "This scientific assessment also tells us that there will still be the p tential for wil
months to come."
Extension personnel are assisting the state forest service in getting the word out about wildfire prevention, as well as assisting the U.S. Department of Agriculture through efforts to determine the full agricultural impact of wildfires in the state, noted Vestal.
"These efforts are particularly important to residents of Central Texas," said Jeff Ripley, County Extension Director for Travis County. We've already had a few wildfires in the Austin area. The large population of the area and the terrain make fo a potentially difficult situation should there be more wildfires. The rugged terrain makes firefighting difficult, plus there is a lot of cedar, which is highly combustible, and other 'fuel' for a fire." parts of Central Texas been experiencing drought conditions since April and are far behind in normal rainfall, Ripley added. "Conditions here are ripe for wildfire, so we are trying to let residents know what they ca do to protect their property
Statewide, Extension has joined together Texas agen cies to assist in wildfire edu cation and assessment efforts largely in response to needs of the Division of Emergency Management of the governor's office, Vestal notes. We determined we Disaster Education EDEN, website to help i form both urban and rural residents about how to pre-

## pare for and prevent wild-

 fires, he said. "We are also helping assess the personal and economic impact of these wildfires, which includes gathering information from fire departments in all 254 counties of the state." Information collected from these fire departments will be vital toward determining what resources are available, or needed, to ensure adequate support in areas of the state with the greatest potential for wildfire, Vestal added.There are many areas Central Texas with an "urban and rural interface" which poses a potential for wildfire, said Janie Harris, Extension housing and environment specialist in College Station. "While people in and near urban centers may have the advantage of nearby fire department, they should not ignore their own ability to reduce the risk of a fire on their property," she said. "Some of the main precautions homeowners can take include closely mowing your lawn and creating a 'fire break' by removing any debris within 30 feet of your home. You should also remove any tree branches overhanging your roof or close to
your house, as well as clean your house, as well as clean
your gutters." Harris recommends having connected garden hoses on as many sides of the home as possible, plus having firefighting tools such as a bucket, extension ladder, shovel and rake at the ready. "Each year, wildfires affect homeowners, farmers and ranchers throughout the state, damaging property and sometimes even taking lives," added Vestal. "And much of the damage done by wildfires can be avoided, or at least greatly reduced, by taking a few precautions."

Information on wildfire and tips for protecting homes, farms and ranches from damage by wildfire can be found on Extension's EDEN website at http:// texashelp.tamu.edu or the at has Forest Service website txforestservice.tamu.edu DETECTION OF FIRE DAMAGE CAN MINIMIZE CATTLE LOSSES DUE TO FIRE Analyzing injuries to cattle
following a wildfire is imporfollowing a w


Star - Callahan County Baird Star a Texas Cooperative Exten- releasing the livestock to look like they've made it and he said.
there was no visible physical A fire danger zone is the damage," said Dr. Floron "Buddy" Faries, Extension program leader for veterinary medicine. "However, it is looked at by a veterinarian as soon as possible because there could be secondary tions and further problems, Health disorders such as burned eyes, feet, udders, sheaths and testicles, as well as smoke inhalation with
lung inflamation and edema are the most common problems, Faries said. Wildfires have ripped across thousands of acres of ranchland, trapping cattle and causing injuries, and in some cases death,
said Ron Gill, Extension Lifestock Specialist in Stephenville. In one case, the producer lost about 50 heard of cattle. Other producers are reporting secondary problems, such as scorched or burned cattle. "One of the
problems we have run into in problems we have run into in the past is with the fee," Gill said. "It may take 10 days to two weeks for the damage to start showing. The cattle will start sloughing the hoof wall and become crippled." The main thing Extension is working on with veterinarlans is what symptoms to
look for and what actions to look for and what actions to
take if lameness begins to appear, he said. "To assure the welfare of the affected animals, veterinarians need to be consulted," Faries said. "If, in the event the animal is not going to be able to be treated, decisions concerning sending them to market need to be made immediately before secondary complications develop." Faries adevacuation and rescue plan in place and implementing it ahead of a wildfire. The plans should include ways of moving livestock to premises out of the fire danger zone and preventing any damages. This may include loading the livestock into trailers and hauling them, or opening
gates or cutting fences and


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area where the livestock risk nhaling smoke, he said, and will change according to the direction. Smoke can move for miles, and cattle that are
not near the flames or heat not near the flames or heat Faries said. Contact with burning grass, weeds and rush causes immediate burns, he said. The sevierity burns, he said. The severity mined by the degree of heat mined by the degree of heat However, inhalation of smoke causes immediate ir ritation to the lining of the respiratory system, including nasal passages, trachea and lungs, Faries said. This can lead to inflamation, edema and emphysema, with the and emphysema, with the
severity determined by the duration of inhaled smoke he said. "The time it takes to cause damage might only have to be a few minutes with high quantities of smoke and may be hours in low quantities of smoke," he said. Once the fire has passed, eternarian should be consulted immediately for any animals with severe burns o direct smoke exposure. Other ivestock should also be evaluated for possible health disorders and treatment or etermining if the animal can salvaged for slaughter or said. The prognosis of mild ases may be good with treatment and will be cost-effecve, Faries said.
Monitoring should continue for weeks after the event, he said, because of econdary complications that ould be indicated by ough or cloudy eyes in the animals. "Before these sec ondary complications of in ection occur, immediate laughter for human consumption may be the most appropriate humane proce dure," Faries said. "Prior to laughter, an antemortem inspection will be conducted by veterinary meat inspectors o determine safety and wholesomeness for human food."

Thursday, January 26, 2006,
USDA Approves Emergency CRP Haying And Grazing For Texas
his year's widespread drought, David W. Martin, County Executive Director for the Eastland County Farm Service Agency announced approval for emergency haying and grazing of gency haying and grazing o gram (CRP) acreage in Texas
Emergency haying of CRP is authorized until May 2006 and emergency grazing is authorized until June 1 2006. Producers must file a request to hay or graze CRP acreage and visit the Natural Resources Conservation Service to obtain a modified conservation plan prior to haying or grazing the acre-
"CRP annual rental payments will be reduced 25 percent times the number of acres actually hayed or grazed times the per acre annual rental payment," said Martin. Other restrictions and limitations also apply. CRP participants who do not own or lease livestock may rent or lease the haying and grazing privilege to
"In light of recent weathe patterns, it is imperative that USDA offer the Emergency CRP haying and grazing program to Texas producers Availability of forage is lit erally a matter of survival in the unpredictible and often unforgiving agriculture in dustry," said Martin.
CRP offers annual rental payments and cost-share assistance to establish longterm, resource-conserving cover on eligible land. USDA will monitor producers to ensure the land is hayed or grazed without damaging conservation covers.

USDA offers additional programs to assist d oughtstriken producers, including emergency farm loans, the emergency conservation program and the noninsured crop disaster assistance program. For more information and eligibility requirements, producers should contact the local FSA office at 254-629 1636 Ext. 2 or visit FSA's website at: http://
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Champion Finewool
Cross
Austin Thomas, CP FFA
Reserve Champion
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ing Boer Goat
Ty Rhoads,
Baird, 4-H
Reserve Champion
Breeding Boer
Goat
Katelynn Mitchell, Baird
Brandon Black, Clyde 4-H
Light Weight Southdown
$1^{51}$ Place-
Garrett Scott, Eula 4-H $2^{\text {nd }}$ Place-
Garrett Scott, Eula 4-H
Sheena Apple, CP FFA
Heavy Weight
Southdown $\quad 1^{\text {st }}$ Place-
BreeAnn Strickland, Baird
4-H $\quad 2^{\text {nd }}$ Place-
Emily Harris, CP FFA
$\quad 3^{\text {nd }}$ Place -

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Light Weight Medium Wool Wreanna Mayfield, Clyde 4H
$2^{\text {nd }}$ Place-
Bret Berry, Clyde 4-H
$3^{\text {rd }}$ PlaceSydnee Lindsey, Eula FFA
Middle Weight Medium
Wool
$1^{\text {st }}$ Place- Tiffany Holland,
CP'FFA
2nd Place- Bret Berry, Clyde
4-H

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| Place- Hailey Biggs, CP |
| FFA |

Heavy Weight Medium
Wool
$1^{\text {st }}$ Place- Rachelle Allen,
CP FFA
$2^{\text {nd }}$ Place- Emily Harris, CP FFA
$3{ }^{\text {rd }}$ Place- Macayla Cook, CP FFA dium Wool Rachelle Allen, CP FFA

Reserve Champion
Medium Wool Tiffany Holland, CP FFA

## Grand Champion Market

Lamb - Rachelle

## Reserve Grand Champion

 Market Lamb GoatsJ. ShowmanshipKinsey Dean, Eula 4-H Sr. ShowmanshipTyler Orlando, Baird FFA

| Breeding Goats | Class 10 ${ }^{14}$ Place- Ethan White, Eula |
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| Junior Does $1^{\text {st }}$ Place- | 4-H |
| Rhoads, Baird 4-H | $2^{\text {m }}$ Place-Ethan White, |
| $2^{\text {nd }}$ Place- | Eula 4-H |
| Nicki Carroll, Eula 4-H $3^{\text {rd }}$ Place- | $3^{\text {rd }}$ Place- Kinsey Dean, Eula 4-H |
| Katelynn Mitchell, Baird $4-$ H | Class 11 |
| Senior Does | 14 Place- Clay Koenig, CP FFA |
| Katelynn Mitchell, Baird 4- | $2^{\text {nd }}$ Place- Whitney Hicks, |
| H | Clyde 4-H3 ${ }^{\text {rd }}$ Place- Jachie |
| $2^{\text {nd }}$ Place- Ty | Hayhurst, Clyde FFA |

Rhoads, Baird 4-H
Place- Ty Rhoads, Baird
$4-\mathrm{H}$
$2^{\text {nd }}$ Place- Hailey Bige FFA
$3^{\text {ra }}$ Place- Peyton McIntire, Baird FFA

| Class 4 <br> ${ }^{14}$ Place- Hayden Wyatt, CP FFA <br> $2{ }^{\text {nd }}$ Place- Katelynn Mitchell, Baird 4-H $3^{\text {rd }}$ Place- Whitney Hicks, Clyde 4-H |
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Class 5 CP FFA
$2^{\text {nd }}$ Place- Kinsey Dean,
$3^{\text {nd }}$ Place- Katelynn Mitchell, Baird 4-H Class 6
I" Place- Jurnee Thomas, CP FFA
$2^{\text {nd }}$ Place-Emily Harris, CP FFA
$3^{\text {rd }}$ Place- Kelbi Dean, Eula Class 7
${ }^{14}$ Place- Tyler Orlando, Baird FFA
$2^{\text {nd }}$ Place- Joe Dalton Wyatt, CP FFA
$3^{\text {rid }}$ Place-Ethan White, Eula 4-H

Class 8
1" Place-Kinsey Dean, Eula 4-H
$2^{\text {nd }}$ Place- Whitney Hicks, Clyde 4-H
Cody Gibbs, Baird FFA
Class 9

* Place- Kelby Dean, Eula 4-H
$2^{\text {nd }}$ Place- Ethan White, Eula 4-H
$3^{\text {rd }}$ Place- Ty Rhoads, Baird

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${ }^{4}$ Place- Ethan White, Eula Place Eth Eula 4-H
$3^{\text {nd }}$ Place- Kinsey Dean, Eula 4-H

1" Place-Clay Koenig, CP FFA
Clyde 4-H3 ${ }^{\text {rd }}$ Place- Jachie Hayhurst, Clyde FFA
 H
$3^{\text {rd }}$ Place-
Shahala Trammell, CP FFA
Grand Champion Market
Goat -
Tyler Orlando, Baird FFA Reserve Grand Champian Market Goat Ethan White, Eula 4-H

BeefCattle Jr. Showmanship
Emma Bennett, CP FFA Sr. Showmanstilop-
Shayla Lee, Clyde 4-H Heifer
$1^{4}$ Place- Issac Dickey, Baird FFA $2^{\text {nd }}$ Place$3^{\text {rd }}$ Place-

Champlon Heifes Issac Dickey, Baird FFA

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Light Weight
American Cross Steers
${ }^{12}$ Place-
Shayla Lee, Clyde 4-H
$2^{\text {nd }}$ Place-
Issac Dickey, Baird FFA
Blake Hutchins, CP FFA
Heavy Weight
American Cross Steers
1/ $^{4}$ Place.
Amber Clark, Baird 4-H
$2^{\text {nd }}$ Place-
Kandi Anders, Clyde FFA
${ }^{3}$ Place-
Brandon Black, Clyde 4-H
Champion Ameri-
can Cress Steer Am-
ber Clark, Baird 4-H
Rescrve Champian
Steer
Shayla Lee, Clyde 4-H
English Light Weight
Dalton Wyatt, ${ }^{14}$ Place- Joc
Brandon Black, Clyde 4-H $3^{\text {n }}$ Place-

## Project

 Graduation Meeting To Be Feb. 2nd There will be a Project Graduation meeting on February 2, 2006 at 7:00 p.m. in ruary 2, 2006 at 7:00 p.m. inLauren Rodriguez's classLauren Rodriguez's classroom in the high school
building. Please bring all sold and not sold "Beef Raffle' tickets and the moncy oo the meeting. If you are no able to attend the meeting please turn all the raffle tick ts and money in to Mr . ts and money in Mr. Or later than Feb. I.
All Senior students need to turn in their 10 pictures fo the senior video by Februery 1, 2006 to Mr. Orlando er Laren Rodriguez or your per. nts may bring the pictures to the meeting.
Also, each Senior needs to turn in two of the six pack of 'Crush' drink or 2 liter bottle 'Crush' drink or 2 liter bottle 2006. This can be given to 2006. This can be given to
Mr. Orlando or Lauren Rodriguez.

## Heavy Weight

English
la Ploce- Bronc Dillard, CP $2^{\text {n }}$ Place- Justin Dickson, CP FFA
${ }^{3 r}$ Place- Shayla Lee, Clyde 4-H

Champion English
Bronc Dillard, CP FFA
Reserve Champion

Justin Dickson, CP FFA

Light Weight
European Steers ${ }^{4}$ Place-Chris McBride, CP FFA
$2^{\text {nd }}$ Placc- Shayla Lee, Clyde 4-H $3^{\text {rd }}$ Place- Derek Edwards, Clyde FFA

Middle Light Weight European Steers
INPlace-Emma Bennett, CP FFA
$2^{\text {nd }}$ Place- Brandon Black, Clyde 4-H
3rd Place- Blan Scott, Baird

Middle Weight
European Steers
${ }^{14}$ Place- Justin Dickson, CP FFA
$2^{\text {ms }}$ Place- Sterling Rutland, Clyde 4-H
$3^{3}$ Place- Loralee
Reynolds, Eula 4-H


Steer
Kandi Anders, Clyde FFA Deserve Champion Eurapean Steer
tin Dickson, CP FFA
Grand Champlow Market Steer.

Kandi Anders, Clyde FFA Deserve Grand Champi an Morket Steer -
T.E.T. Reunion-- Word death of the veteran.
comes that the Abilene Funeral expenses comes that the Abilene Funeral expenses are al-
Grunts Association Associa- lowed to lower income, maktion will be sponsoring the ing some widows qualify fo annual T.E.T. Reunion again help from V.A. Call 325-85d this year. It will be held on for further word on this ben Taylor County Fairgrounds Taylor County Fairgrounds as in past years. Mark your
calendars for this good gettogether.
V.A. Prescriptions--Veterans receiving their prescriptions from V.A. are receiving a letter which states that they have an arrangement that is better then the new Medicare Drug Program. The letter states that no change is necessary and further cautions Veterans to place the letter in a very safe place. The letter
will be needed to avoid penwill be needed to avoid penalties if any change is made
in the future. Weteran's Widow with small Veteran's Widow with small V.A. pension for at least twelve months following

## Emergency Farm Loan

 Applications Being AcceptedApplications for emegency farm loans caused by ex curred on December 1,2005, and continuing, are being accepted at the Farm Service Agency (FSA) office located in Anson, Richard G. Young said.
"Callahan is one of 9 primary counties in Texas recently named by the President of the United States eligible for loans to cover part of actual production losses resulting from extreme wildfire threat that occurred on December 1, 2005, and continuing."
Richard G. Young said, "Farmers may be eligible for
loans of up to $100 \%$ of their loans of up to $100 \%$ of their actual losses or the operating loan needed to continue the agricultural business, whichable to obtain credit from private commercial lenders, the interest is 3.75 percers", "As is 3.75 percent. As a general rule, a farmer must have suffered at least a 30 percent loss of production to be eligible for a FSA emergency loan," Richard G.
Young said. Farmers partici-

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