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## Baird Market Street Is Center Of Shopping, Activities As Antiques Market & Trade Days Opens Friday

Market Street in Baird will be the place to shop next weekend as the Baird Chamber of Commerce hosts the Antiques Market & Trade Days on June 11th, 12th and 13th.

The historic shopping district in downtown Baird will be overflowing with guest dealers from 27 cities joining local merchants for the annual event. They will be offering everything from country primitives to fine American Victorian furnishings and accessories, beautiful handcrafted items ranging from quilts and clocks to pottery, and plenty of other items from books and jewelry to packaged gourmet food.

The sale is scheduled from 9 a.m. until 6 p.m. on Friday and Saturday and 1-5 p.m. on Sunday. A tea Time Appraisal Fair is scheduled Saturday afternoon, a scale model railroad will be displayed

played on Friday and Saturday at the T & P Depot, and former Baird resident Buddy Hart will be on hand along with author Charles G. Anderson to autograph a book that chronicles Hart's ordeal as a POW during World War II.

The Appraisal Fair will be conducted by professional appraisers Donald King Cowan, ISA; and C. L. "Sam" Webb, both of Dallas. Cowan and Webb are well known for their informative and entertaining presentations as they evaluate everything from treasured family heirlooms to flea market finds. Tickets, priced at \$20 per appraised item, must be purchased in advance.

The 16-foot module railroad, complete with roundhouse and turntable, will be shown by Jack Gacke of Abilene. Gacke has displayed his craftsmanship and shared his expertise in the railroad-

ing hobby at events across the country for years, and he invites the public to participate in switching and operating. There is no charge to view the display.

Buddy - World War II POW # 1831, a story of courage and patriotism, is one of several books written by Charles Anderson. He has also contributed numerous articles to newspapers and magazines. He and Buddy Hart, who is a 1935 graduate of Baird High School, will be located in a booth at the old Boydston Hardware building. Hart will be available to autograph books on Saturday.

The Antiques Market & Trade Days is sponsored by Texas Chevy Dealers, KTXS TV and KEAN Radio. For information or Appraisal Fair tickets call Baird Chamber of Commerce (325) 854-2003.

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## Commissioners Approve Depot Restoration Contract, Annual Audit, Memorandum of Agreement

by Margaret Hetrick

Callahan County Commissioners Court gave approval to a contract between the Baird Foundation and Callahan County at the May 24, 2004 Open Meeting. The contract will allow the Baird Depot Restoration project to proceed.

Betty Henson of the Baird Foundation explained that, as tax entity, Callahan County needed to give their approval to the contract before the project could go forward.

Giving some background information, Mrs. Henson recounted that an architect for the Baird Depot Restoration project was advertised for in December of 2003. Komatsu of Ft. Worth had been chosen out of four applicants, she said.

Since that time, the Baird Foundation has had a good working relationship with the firm, she continued.

Mrs. Henson noted that an attorney had looked at the contract carefully and given his approval.

Mrs. Henson was accompanied by Attorney Phil Moorhead and Nancy Young.

Attorney Moorhead expressed approval of Komatsu, saying that he had sent materials and indicated exact rates for the staff and firm, and probably reduced the normal rates somewhat for the project. "I have a positive feeling," he said.

The architect Komatsu was described as a person of real integrity.

Mrs. Henson explained that the next phase of the project is expected to take approx. seven months.

The Baird Foundation would continue to keep the court updated on the progress, she added.

A motion made by Commissioner Holland, and seconded by Commissioner Grider to approve the contract carried unanimously.

Also approved was a Memorandum of Agreement between Callahan County and Taylor County, with the purpose of forming a volunteer plan and network to respond to local public health emergencies.

The agreement included the shared use of mass dispensing clinics, and was approved unanimously by the Commissioners Court.

A motion to approve the agreement was made by Judge Corn and seconded by Commissioner Grider.

Judge Corn expressed the

## GOV. RICK PERRY DECLARES FRIDAY, JUNE 11, AS DAY OF MOURNING FOR PRESIDENT REAGAN

Orders State Offices Closed Except for Skeleton Crews. Flags Flown at Half Staff for 30 Days

Austin- Gov. Rick Perry today (Monday, June 7) declared Friday, June 11, as an official day of mourning in remembrance of President Ronald Reagan and ordered that flags on all state buildings be flown at half staff for 30 days.

"The United States has lost one of its greatest presidents and Texas has lost one of its greatest friends with the passing of President Ronald W. Reagan," Perry said in an executive order honoring the memory of the 40th president.

Perry also encouraged Texans to pay their respects to the memory of Ronald Reagan on Friday through appropriate ceremonies in homes, businesses, public buildings, schools, places of worship or other suitable places for public expression of grief and remembrance.

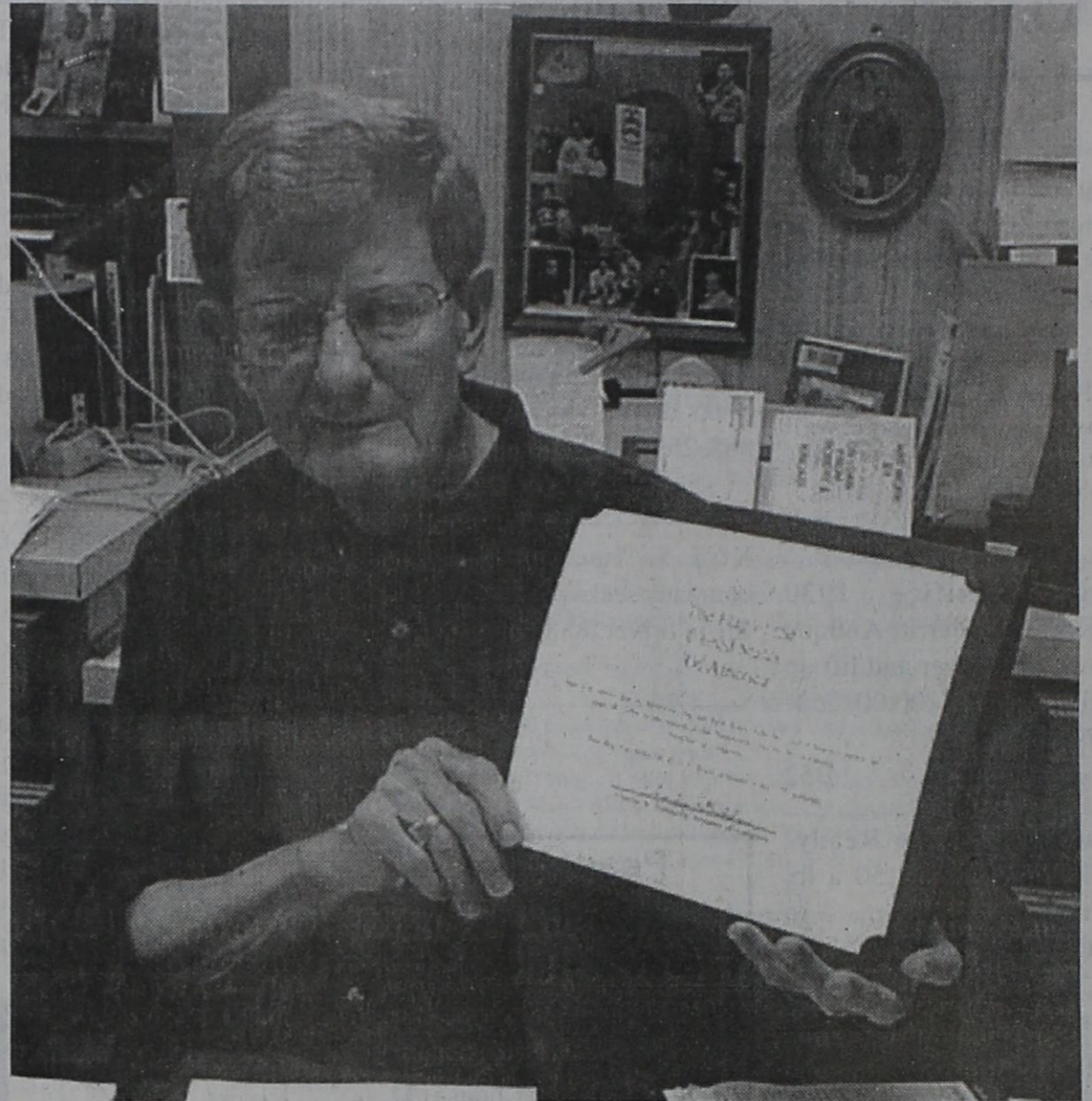
To allow state employees to attend such observances, Perry directed state agencies, offices and departments to close on Friday and general government operations and services be maintained by a skeleton crew.

Perry said his order

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## Publisher Makes News



H. V. O'Brien, newspaper publisher and Editor, holds a certificate stating that a flag has flown in Washington in honor of his 72nd birthday.

## Special Birthday Gift For O'Brien

Sometimes a newspaper and its publisher does more than just report news - it MAKES news!

This happened Tuesday, June 8, when a flag honoring H.V.O'Brien's birthday flew over the Capitol in Washington, D.C. O'Brien and his wife, Gaynell, are owners and publishers of the Eastland County Newspapers and Baird Star.

The flag event was planned by newspaper personnel and carried out with the help of

Congressman Charles Stenholm.

Stenholm sent Mr.O'Brien a certificate stating that the flag was flown over the U.S. Capitol Building at the request of Charles Stenholm, Member of Congress.

A signed statement on the certificate also attests: "This flag has been flown for Mr. O'Brien for his 72nd birthday. Signed, Charlie Stenholm, Member of Congress."

"I am especially pleased

that this was signed by Charlie Stenholm," O'Brien said Tuesday. "I have supported him for all the 25 years he has served the 17th District in Congress.

"Whoever arranged this really gave me a great birthday present!"

The flag flew at half-staff in Washington, due to the death of former President Ronald Reagan. It will be sent to Mr. O'Brien to keep - in remembrance of the occasion.

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## Stenholm Shares Event Schedule For Reagan Burial

Washington, DC - Congressman Charlie Stenholm (TX-17) shares in the nation's grief over the passing of President Ronald Wilson Reagan. The following schedule is included for anyone wishing to follow the ceremonies honoring the late president.

Source: Joanne Drake, Office of Ronald Reagan

MONDAY, June 7:  
10 a.m. PDT: Reagan family motorcade and hearse leave Santa Monica funeral home en route to Ronald Reagan Presidential Library in Simi Valley.

11 a.m. PDT: Reagan family private ceremony at library.

12 p.m. PDT: Reagan lies in repose at the library's main lobby for public closed casket visitation which continues through the night. Buses will transfer visitors from Moorpark College in nearby Moorpark.

TUESDAY, June 8:  
6 p.m. PDT: Lying in repose

at library concludes.

WEDNESDAY, June 9:  
8:30 a.m. PDT: Reagan family motorcade departs presidential library en route to Naval Base Ventura County in Point Mugu.

9:30 a.m. PDT: Aircraft departs Point Mugu for Andrews Air Force Base, outside Washington.

5 p.m. EDT: Aircraft arrives at Andrews AFB.

6 p.m. EDT: Formal funeral procession to U.S. Capitol, with casket transfer onto horse-drawn caisson at 1600 Constitution Avenue, an open area near the White House and the Washington Monument.

7 p.m. EDT: State funeral ceremony in Capitol Rotunda.

8:30 p.m. EDT: Lying in state begins in Capitol Rotunda and continues through the night.

THURSDAY, June 10:

All day: Lying in state continues for 24 hours in

Capitol Rotunda.

FRIDAY, June 11 (National Day of Mourning):  
10:45 a.m. EDT: Motorcade departs U.S. Capitol.

11:30 a.m. EDT: National funeral service at Washington National Cathedral.

1:45 p.m. EDT: Motorcade departs National Cathedral.

2:45 p.m. EDT: Aircraft departs Andrews AFB.

4:45 p.m. PDT: Aircraft arrives at Naval Base Ventura County-Point Mugu.

6 p.m. PDT: Motorcade arrives at presidential library.

6:15 p.m. PDT: Private interment service at presidential library.

7:30 p.m. PDT: Internment ceremony concludes.

The Lying in State in the Capitol Rotunda is open to the public. Those who plan

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Warnings - 66  
Complaints - 114  
DWI - 1  
Driving While License Invalid - 1  
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Possession of Drug Paraphernalia - 1  
Fail to Identify - 1  
Fugitive Arrest - Theft by Check - 2  
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**Reagan Burial**

to attend the viewing should be prepared to wait in line beginning at 8:30 pm on Wednesday, June 9th. For specific questions, call (202) 225-6827. Funeral services at the Washington National Cathedral will be invitation only. Capitol tours will be suspended beginning Monday, June 8th at 4:30 pm through Friday, June 11th. Congressman Stenholm's office will be available for information and visits from 8:30 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. as usual.

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**Day of Mourning**

directing flags be flown at half staff would remain in effect until Monday, July 5—30 days after Reagan's death.

Pery described Reagan as "a man of principle (who) changed the course of America and the world forever by reviving our economy, by renewing our national confidence, and by tearing down barriers to freedom throughout the globe."

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**Commissioners**

opinion that the agreement would benefit Callahan County, and noted that Callahan County would furnish volunteers to take residents to dispensing clinics to in Abilene (in the case of a public health emergency).

Several points listed in the agreement are as follows:

- Callahan County will recruit and assign an individual as Volunteer Coordinator for mass dispensing clinic operations to be conducted in Taylor County under the leadership of Taylor County Health Department.

- Taylor County will host mass dispensing clinic(s) which will provide services to Callahan County residents.

- Callahan County will direct Callahan County residents during a public health emergency in procedures for reporting to mass dispensing clinic(s) provided by Taylor County Health Department for the mass prophylaxis or vaccination of Callahan County residents.

- Callahan County shall assist in determining which job functions it shall fill from its local population, and assist Taylor County Health Department in filling the various roles at the mass dispensing clinic(s).

- Taylor County Health Department agrees to provide necessary training to core volunteers in both general volunteer response and task-specific practices for the emergency at hand.

- The duration of the agreement shall continue as indefinitely as necessary unless either party chooses to terminate the agreement.

The agreement would also have to be approved by Taylor County, Judge Corn said.

Further approved was a clean independent audit given to Callahan County by Stovall, Grandy and Whatley, LLP.

Melinda Brown of Stovall, Grandy and Whatley presented the annual audit to the court.

The independent Auditor's report stated that "In our opinion, the financial statements ... present fairly, in all material respects, the cash balances arising from cash transactions of the Office of the County Treasurer of Callahan County, Texas, at September 30, 2003, and the

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revenue it received and the expenditures it paid for the year then ended, on the basis of accounting ..."

The audit report, which covered a time span from October 1, 2002 through September 30, 2003, was approved unanimously by the Commissioners Court.

The Court also approved unanimously an abandoned road disposition.

With the Commissioners approval, the road, which is in Precinct # 2 just off Cnt. Rd. 247, will revert back to the owners, Jack Landers and Waymon Lyle.


Commissioner Farmer (Pct. #2) commented that the road had never been used as far as he knew.

Further on the agenda: Minutes of previous meetings were reviewed and signed with no additions or corrections, and a motion carried to pay approved bills.

No public comments were presented to the court.

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# Wedding Bells



Patricia and Jodee Flippin

## Mr. and Mrs. Jodee Flippin Renew Marriage Vows

Patricia Rose and Jodee A. Flippin renewed their vows after 35 years of marriage. The ceremony was held at First Baptist Church in Eastland on April 17, 2004. Dr. Shawn Brewer officiated the ceremony.

Their youngest son, James, was best man and sister of the bride, Sandi Callies, was matron of honor. Their oldest son, David, walked his mother down the aisle. Their daughter-in-law, Leah Flippin, was the pianist and also sang a solo, "On Top of the World." Their granddaughters, Jordan Adkins and Hannah Flippin, sang "Jesus Loves Me" and "Jesus Loves the Little Children." The ring bearer was their grandson, Jason Flippin.

A reception followed the ceremony. Their youngest daughter, Angela Haynes, and husband Heath, pre-

pared all the delicious food for the reception. Their oldest daughter, Dawn, was in charge of decorations.

Patty and Jodee are so thankful to have shared 35 years together. God blessed them greatly with children and grandchildren who make their life complete.

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### Stenholm Statement On Death of President Ronald Reagan

Cindy and I are saddened to learn today of the death of President Ronald Reagan, and we are praying for Mrs. Reagan and her family. I have served with five Presidents, and I have many fond memories of the 12 years I was honored to serve with Presidents Reagan and Bush. I recall how President Reagan and House Speaker Tip O'Neill, the Massachusetts liberal, were good friends who got along very well during their years of service together. They knew they had to leave their philosophical differences behind and work together for the good of the American people, and we all are better for it.

Congressman  
Charlie Stenholm (TX-17)

### Girling Grief Recovery Workshop

Girling Grief Recovery Workshop will be held June 15 at Eastland Girling at 957 E. Main in Eastland at 7 p.m.

Facilitators are Dr. Hazelip, Hospice Medical Director and Donna DeLuca, Hospice Chaplain.

Any questions please call 629-1268.

## Texas State Technical College West Texas Holds 33rd Commencement Exercises

Texas State Technical College West Texas Held Commencement Exercises on Saturday June 5, 2004 at the Abilene Civic Center. TSTC West Texas faculty and staff were joined by family and friends to honor the 327 graduating students.

In keeping with a tradition started under the presidential leadership of Homer Taylor, President of Texas State Technical College West Texas, the commencement guest speakers are graduating students, representing the four Texas State Technical College West Texas locations. Student speakers are nominated by faculty and are selected by the President and Center Dean/Provost.

The following graduating students spoke on behalf of the Class of 2004:

Representing the Texas State Technical College West Texas Abilene location was Susan Mitchell.

Representing the Texas State Technical College West Texas Breckenridge location was Sandra "Sandy" Lane.

Representing the Texas State Technical College West Texas Brownwood location was John Sturgeon.

Representing the Texas State Technical College West Texas Sweetwater location

was Michael "Travis" Poteet.

Listed, by area hometowns are the 2004 Graduates of Texas State Technical College West Texas:

Scarlett Nixon, Albany; Stephanie Thompson, Albany; Christal Blue, Albany; Akisha Holson, Albany; Betty Torres, Albany; Barton Kendrick, Baird; Lucinda Adams, Breckenridge; Stephanie Begeman, Breckenridge; Steven Begeman, Breckenridge; Lori Bishop, Breckenridge; Amy Briley, Breckenridge; Richard Britton, Breckenridge; James Curtis, Breckenridge; Amy Davis, Breckenridge; Jana Earnest, Breckenridge; Sandra Lane, Breckenridge; Ruben Martinez, Breckenridge; Terry McCullough, Breckenridge; Mary Noble, Breckenridge; Delana Phillips, Breckenridge; William Reilly, Breckenridge; Wadie Strawbridge, Breckenridge; Anthony Stubblefield, Breckenridge; Melissa Thompson, Breckenridge; Brandon Titus, Breckenridge; Wilburn Twomey, Breckenridge; Angie Whitley, Breckenridge; Patsy Williams, Breckenridge; Kimberlee Salinas, Brownwood; Rhonda Brooks, Brownwood; Ceniceros, Brownwood;

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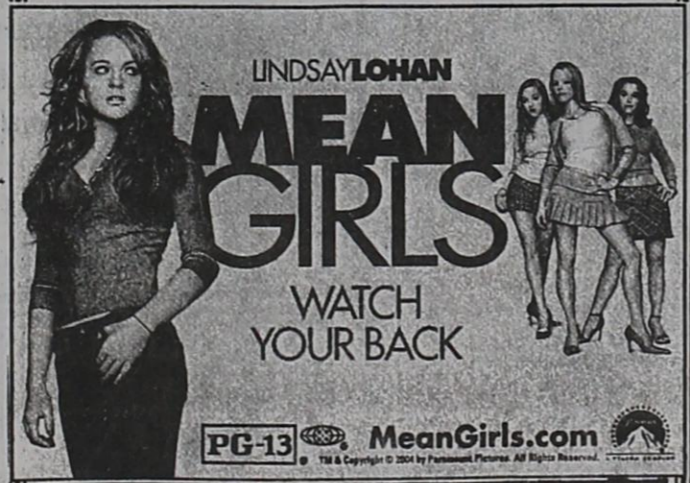
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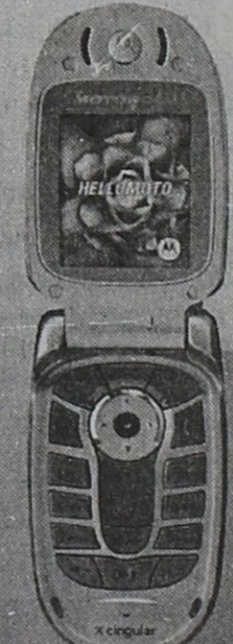
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## Pro Se Petition for Writ of Mandamus Denied

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Ricky W. Turner v. James Duke, Jr. et al, Taylor.



## Reagan Presidency Boosted 2 Texans To White House

By Mike Cox

AUSTIN - When the news came that former President Ronald Reagan had died, Texas Republicans were holding their annual convention in San Antonio.

Party veterans recalled that nearly 20 years earlier, President Reagan had been in Dallas for another Republican event - the party's national convention. In Big D on Aug. 23, 1984, the nation's Big R accepted his party's nomination for a second term as president.

Reagan carried Texas and 48 other states in his landslide re-election, but a Web site called "Things Named in Honor of Ronald Reagan" shows only one Texas high school - in San Antonio - named after the late president.

Clearly, there is no correlation between the number of times a politician's name goes up on a public building and the impact that person has on a particular area. If that were the case, and assuming only Republicans got to name buildings, every other school in Texas would be named for Reagan.

From the standpoint of Texas history, Reagan was no Sam Houston, but his presidency helped put two Texans in the White House inside a decade. By choosing George Herbert Walker Bush as his vice presidential running mate in 1980, Reagan paved the way for the Bush presidency in 1989.

That presidency, though it only lasted one term, made it feasible for son George W. Bush to seek the governorship. Becoming

governor of the nation's second-most populated state, in turn, gave the younger Bush the successful shot he took at the White House.

Both the 41st and the 43rd president will be at Reagan's funeral, along with a lot of other Texans.

Gas up, auto insurance may 'go down...

It's costing more to fill your vehicle with gasoline, but it's getting a little less expensive to drive around with the required level of auto insurance.

If the Texas Department of Insurance OKs it, State Farm Mutual Automobile Insurance Co. will decrease what it charges for collision coverage by an average of 2.2 percent in August.

Earlier this year, USAA cut its rates in Texas by 4.5 percent. Progressive Insurance followed suit in March, dropping its rates by 2 percent.

The Texas rate decreases buck the national trend. According to the Insurance Information Institute, auto insurance rates are expected to increase 3.5 percent this year. Estimated national average cost for auto insurance is \$871 a year.

Go figure...

Nervous that someone will steal your brand new vehicle? According to the Texas Department of Public Safety, a 5-year-old car or truck has a better chance of being stolen than a new set of wheels fresh off the showroom floor.

In its annual listing of the most-stolen vehicles in Texas, the DPS said cars and trucks five years and older amount to roughly 70 percent of all vehicles stolen in the state (pickups claim three of the first four categories).

In the good news category, auto theft dropped 4.6 percent in Texas last year compared with the year before. Even so, nearly 100,000 vehicles were stolen, a loss of \$782 million.

The top vehicles most preferred by thieves include General Motors pickups, Ford pickups, Honda Accords, Dodge pickups, GM Suburbans, Honda Civics, Toyota Camry, Ford Taurus and Ford Mustang.

## 84th Annual Ex-Students Reunion

The 84th annual Ex-Students reunion of the Cook, Crocker, Curtis, Gunn, Hickman, Liberty, Peak, Sabanno and Pioneer schools will be held on Saturday, June 12, 2004 at the

Cross Plains Community Center. Registration and coffee at 8:30 a.m. Lunch at 12:30 catered by Del Rich of Eastland. All exes and friends are welcome.

## Fort Griffin Fandangle

Albany, Texas--It's Fandangle time!!! Tickets are currently on sale for the 2004 version of the Fort Griffin Fandangle set for its traditional six performances. Show nights are June 17-19 and June 24-26 at the Prairie Theatre located 1/2 mile NW of Albany. The gate at the theatre open at 7:30 p.m. and all visitors are welcome to come early and enjoy the lively calliope concert preceding the show. The performance begins at dusk usually around 8:45.

There are covered wagons, buffalo boys, can-can girls, and Indians adorned with war paint that will soon fill the theatre as over 300 local and area residents prepare to celebrate their heritage. Celebrating its 66th anniversary, the outdoor pageant was created in 1938 by Robert Nail as a senior class play. The production grew to the whole community the following year and has been an annual event since its inception.

Seats for the six-night run of the show can be purchased in advance through the Fandangle office in Albany. Phone orders will be taken by a very capable, lovely and high-spirited of-

fice staff by calling 325-762-3838. Visitors can enjoy BBQ every night on the courthouse lawn from 5-8 p.m. BBQ prices are: Adults \$8.00 and children, 10 and under are \$5.00.

Reserved tickets are available at an affordable price range for all.

MasterCard, Visa and Discover cards are accepted for phone orders, or a check can be sent to the office. Tickets are not actually reserved until payment is received. Tickets, if available, can also be purchased at the gate on performance nights, but advanced reservations are recommended.

Many other events are planned during the day and early evening on show nights. Please visit our web site

at [www.fortgriffinandangle.org](http://www.fortgriffinandangle.org) or [www.albanytexas.com](http://www.albanytexas.com). Friends and family will enjoy the natural 2-acre stage that gives one the "look and feel of times long since past," using herds of long-horns, wagons, a stagecoach, an entire recreated street scene from the "wild and woolly" town of Fort Griffin, and even a replica of the first train to roll across the prairie heading west.

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## Cooking Corner

### Warm Up To Fresh Supersweet Corn



Fresh supersweet corn on the cob is a great cold-weather treat.

(NAPS)—Roasting caramelizes the natural sugars in supersweet corn and is a no-fuss way to prepare an all-in-one meal. Simply toss chicken and chopped vegetables with oil and herbs, and roast. The corn cooks so quickly it only goes in the oven for 10 minutes.

Fresh supersweet corn from Florida is in season from October until June. Each medium ear has only 80 calories and is a good source of vitamin C, thiamin, fiber and folate. Refrigerated with husks removed and loosely wrapped in plastic, it will keep for about a week.

### ROAST CHICKEN AND SUPERSWEET CORN

2 tablespoons olive oil  
1 teaspoon dried thyme

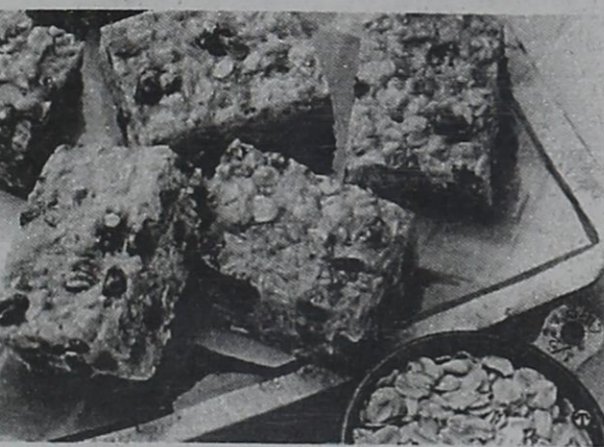
- quartered
- 2 large sweet onions, quartered
- 4 large ears fresh supersweet corn, husked and quartered
- 8 green onions (scallions)
- 4 chicken legs and/or thighs

Preheat oven to 425°F. In a cup, combine oil, thyme, ¼ teaspoon of the salt and ¼ teaspoon of the pepper. In a large shallow pan, toss squash and onions with half of the seasoned oil. In a bowl, coat corn and green onions with remaining seasoned oil; set aside. On a rack in a broiler pan, place chicken; sprinkle with remaining ¼ teaspoon salt and ¼ teaspoon pepper. Place pan with squash and onion on lower rack and chicken on upper rack. Roast for 25 minutes, turning vegetables and chicken occasionally. Add corn and green onions to pan with vegetables. Roast until chicken is cooked

## COUNT ON OATMEAL WHEN COUNTING CALORIES

(NAPS)—Health experts agree that the best way to slim down is to avoid trendy weight-loss programs and stick to the tried and true: make more healthful food choices, eat fewer calories and exercise regularly. Studies show, for example, that adding more whole grains to your diet can help you maintain a healthy weight.

Fruit & Oatmeal Snack Bars are packed with the whole-grain goodness of oats and lower in fat and calories. Enjoy these chewy, fruit-filled bars at breakfast or as a satisfying snack.



### FRUIT & OATMEAL SNACK BARS

Makes 32 bars

- ¾ cup packed brown sugar
- ½ cup granulated sugar
- 1 container (8 oz.) plain low-fat yogurt
- 2 egg whites, lightly beaten
- 2 tablespoons vegetable oil
- 2 tablespoons fat-free milk
- 2 teaspoons vanilla
- 1½ cups all-purpose flour
- 1 teaspoon baking soda
- 1 teaspoon ground cinnamon
- ½ teaspoon salt (optional)
- 3 cups Quaker oats (quick or old fashioned, uncooked)
- 1 cup diced dried mixed fruit or dried cranberries
- ½ cup sliced almonds (optional)

Heat oven to 350°F. In large bowl, combine sugars, yogurt, egg whites, oil, milk and vanilla; mix well. In medium bowl, combine flour, baking soda, cinnamon and salt; mix well. Add dry ingredients to yogurt mixture; mix well. Stir in oats, dried fruit and almonds. Spread dough onto bottom of ungreased 13 x 9-inch baking pan. Bake 28 to 32 minutes

# John's Travel Notebook...

John C. Jones  
Travel/Food Writer



## St. Augustine's Bayfront Marin House B & B

St. Augustine, Florida is one of those towns that I find so special that I keep returning to and each trip saying to myself, "This is even more special than I remembered it to be."

There are at least four B & Bs along the bayfront that veteran travelers will find so breathtaking, intriguing and fascinating they will have difficulty making a choice. The fact that I could choose to dine inside with others, choose a table outside, or eat under the gazebo and enjoy the lovely morning breeze, and also have an outside entrance into my room made the choice uncomplicated. It was a "piece of cake." As a matter of fact, in addition to the usual deluxe breakfast one finds at upscale B & Bs, during the day there are complimentary servings of cake, cookies, beer, wine, coffee, and soft drinks available! Complimentary newspapers await every guest in the breakfast area.

We are talking a B & B that has won the respect of the veteran B & B travelers! The professionalism of the staff is well mixed with "old-fashioned kindness and a sincere desire to please." This is real "old southern friendliness" at its best.

Each room is a towering achievement of dEcor. Every room is individually decorated in splendid combinations of antiques and incredible combinations.

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The charming city of St. Augustine is unforgettable. The pleasing scene of horse-drawn carriages leisurely showing tourist the picturesque town, the pleasant smell of the ocean air, the enchanting atmosphere of "the oldest city," is just a part of what make this such a delightful place so many of us fall in love with. It is just the right touch of old and new combined to be alluring and inviting. Not to mention, that every thing seems to be "right at your fingertips" in this city. It is just a short stroll to the "historic bayfront district" to have some simply divine ice cream, watch the other tourist, and shop whenever you feel the desire. You are located right in the heart of great dining.

The adjoining property, the Bayfront Westcott house has been voted St. Augustine's Best Bed and Breakfast, is part of the same property and has similarly appointed rooms and is very exquisite in every way. The only difference is the inside entrance rooms. Both B & Bs have double Jacuzzis in most rooms and several

rooms with fireplaces. All rooms have cable television, telephones, and air conditioning and luxury terry cloth robes. Robert and Janice Graubard are the owners of these properties.

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The official city site: <http://www.ci.st-augustine.fl.us/>.

A great general guide to St. Augustine: <http://www.staugustine.com/visit/>.

More Florida information of importance: <http://www.staugustine.com/visit/>.

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Pictured is the Bayfront Westcott B & B



Pictured is the Bayfront Marin House

## Girling Grief Recovery Workshop

Girling Grief Recovery Workshop will be held June 15 at Eastland Girling at 957 E. Main in Eastland at 7 p.m. Facilitators are Dr. Hazelip, Hospice Medical Director and Donna DeLuca, Hospice Chaplain.

Any questions please call 629-1268.

## CHS Class of 1954 Reunion June 11 & 12

The Class of 1954 will have their 50th reunion June 11 & 12 at the Cisco Country Club. All friends are invited to come by and visit.

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## Birth Announcement



### Mackenzie Brooke Yates

John and Jodi Yates, of Abilene would like to announce the birth of their daughter, Mackenzie Brooke. Mackenzie was born at 9:03 p.m. on April 28, 2004 at Harris Methodist Hospital in Stephenville. She weighed 5 lbs. 3 oz. and was 17 inches long.

Very proud grandparents include Steve and Dianna Yates of Olden, Joel and Pat Proffitt of Ranger and J.R. and Kathy Harris of Clute, OK. Great-grandparents are J.W. and Rosemary Yates and Lavdie Carlton all of Okla.

Maternal great-grandparents are the late Billy and Doris Highsmith of Ranger.

Mackenzie was also welcomed home by her Aunt Jenni and Chris Brown, Uncle Wes and Kim Yates, Uncle Shane Smith who is serving our country in Iraq and Uncles Rick and Phillip Smith. Cousins who can't wait to play with Mackenzie are Colton and Caitlon Harris, Caiden and Madison Yates and Blake, Tyler, Paige and Nicole Smith. She also has an Uncle Jason Harris in Clute.



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#### West Texas Weather Conditions

I know it was hot for part of last week in West Texas. We're certainly no strangers to that, and then we got some good rain over at least a good part of the district. Unfortunately with that, there were some losses.

I understand that one farmer up in Crosby County lost about 375 acres of cotton due to a terrible windstorm this week, forcing that man to replant his crop. I saw a lot of good cotton up in that area recently, and I know from experience that it's a shame to lose a crop that you've got up and growing to a good stand.

Also a little bit of hail around the country side, with some terrific winds, but we can't do without the rain, and as you know we get some of the hail and the wind that comes with it. But overall, good moisture conditions over most of the Rolling and

High Plains, and that means that once we get the cotton up and with the boll weevil under control, there are some good prospects.

With the cotton market the way it is, I hope everyone is smart enough to contract a little earlier, as right now the cotton market is showing some down signs, but who knows what will happen by market time.

#### Agriculture and the 2005 Budget

This week the Appropriations Committee announced its allocations for next year's appropriations bills. These allocations divide up the amount of money that's available for appropriations among 13 separate spending bills, including the spending bill for agriculture and rural development.

New York Congressman James Walsh, one of the senior Republicans on the Appropriations Committee, said something this week that un-

derscores how difficult it will be to make the trade-offs that are necessary to live within the constraints of the 2005 budget.

In regards to domestic spending programs that will need to be cut, he said: "It's what happens when you try to balance the budget entirely with non-defense discretionary spending. Those areas will really feel the brunt of these hard decisions."

Here's what he's referring to: Under these cuts, agriculture will have to be cut \$60 million below last year's budget level. Besides agriculture, only one other of the 13 appropriations bills would be cut below last year's level.

Once again, this shows agriculture is being asked to do more than its fair share when it comes to cutting spending.

Last year the Appropriations Committee had to cut Farm Bill programs by \$650 million to fit within its budget. This allocation for next year means that the Appropriations Committee will have to make even deeper cuts in Farm Bill programs or cut in other areas such as water and rural development programs.

This is what I've been warning you about with the budget that passed the

Thursday, June 10, 2004 House of Representatives: Those that say the budget doesn't really matter, that say agriculture is going to be treated fairly in the budget process, well that's not true under the budget that passed the House.

#### USDA Expands Testing For Mad Cow Disease

The USDA this week expanded national testing for mad cow disease. The goal is to test about 220,000 animals over the next year to 18 months.

This comes as a result of a recommendation by a panel of international experts. In the past, the USDA tested about 20,000 animals a year. For comparison, about 35 million head of cattle are slaughtered in the U.S. each year.

The new testing program was expanded at a cost of about \$70 million. As in the past, the animals that will be tested will be those considered most likely to have the disease, based on their inability to stand or walk properly, for example.

The USDA also calls for testing of about 20,000 animals that appear healthy but are at least 30 months old--which is the age at which mad cow disease usually appears.

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## 'Mean Girls' Coming To Majestic

Ask teen-agers who Lindsay Lohan is and they can tell you right away!

Most will also be delighted to know that Lohan is coming to the Majestic Theater next weekend in a new, talked-about movie, "Mean Girls." This picture is about contemporary high school life. Actually, it may not be just "contemporary." Most of us can remember kids with the advantage of money, good looks and "important" families coasting on this in High School!

Some grow up - some do not.

"Mean Girls" is rated PG-13, and opens at the Majestic on Friday, June 11. It will be showing at 7:30 nightly through Monday, June 14. Admission is \$4 at the box-office, with balcony seats available to adults for \$5.50.

Co-star of the bittersweet comedy is Tina Fey, head writer of the script.

In the story, beautiful blonde Cady Heron (Lohan) enters High School in the

suburbs of Chicago, fresh from the wilds of Africa. There she was homeschooled by her researcher parents, far from the environs of American High Schools.

The new student is quickly adopted by a trio of arty "outsiders". She is also wanted by the math "nerds". She decides, instead, to infiltrate a group of vixens known as the Plastics.

Cady's reversion from smart young woman to savage cat is noted by Fey, playing the sardonic math teacher Ms. Norbury. The teacher finally lectures the entire female student population on the hurts they inflict so casually when they play feline games. The boys will probably enjoy this movie too, as well as parents and teachers.

Majestic Manager Ed Allcorn says he will be able to keep "Mean Girls" for only one week - it has to go after that. So if you want to see it, make plans for this weekend.

## The System Isn't Failing To Rescue Texas' Mentally Ill. We Are

Commentary

From: Austin American-Statesman Friday, June 4, 2004 edition

By Toni Inglis Local Contributor

An administrator of a Central Texas nonprofit rural hospital asked me last week, "What is going on out there? Our ER, and even our general medicine floor, are suddenly full of patients with mental problems. Even the family practice docs are calling me saying their caseload is filling with people with serious mental illnesses that they don't feel competent treating." Ask any emergency room nurse or doctor if mental patients in the ER are a big problem, and you'll get an ear full.

As the American-Statesman recounted in a recent article, a homeless man discovered the body of Samantha Harvey hanging from the limb of a cypress tree along the Town Lake hike-and-bike trail last August, her wrists freshly bandaged. Just four days before, she had deeply slashed herself, was treated at a for-profit hospital and released after a few hours. Samantha had bipolar disorder and had tried in vain to get medications and therapy when her candle burned out.

In May, Kelsey Patterson, who had intractable paranoid schizophrenia, was executed after Gov. Rick Perry refused to grant executive clemency—despite the state parole board's rare recommendation, on a 5-1 vote, to commute the sick man's sentence. Strapped to the gurney, Patterson ranted incoherently as the lethal drugs made their way through his veins.

By all accounts, Patterson had no idea he was about to be put to death or why, thus clearly not meeting the legal requirement for execution: mental competence. By failing to show mercy, the governor sent a message: If you commit a crime and are sick enough, by God, this state will put you to death.

Where does the blame lie for this mental health imbroglio—where people die trying to get help; where wildly de-

lusional inmates are executed; where people with gravely serious mental problems routinely show up in hospital emergency rooms, rural family practice doctors' offices and prison?

The blame lies squarely with every one of us. We look the other way when we see a ranting homeless person. We make no effort to try to understand complex diseases of the brain. We think criminal defense lawyers are exaggerating or faking their clients' conditions. We think the families of mentally ill people are at fault, or that they brought it on themselves. We think, maybe if these people would just pull themselves up by their bootstraps...

We watched last legislative session as our elected representatives, acting as trustees of the public, cut \$14.8 million in mental health funding, even though our state already ranked 46th nationally in per-capita mental health spending. They then went on to legislate that Medicaid would no longer cover therapy by professionals such as psychologists, therapists, counselors and social workers. (The bulk of people served by the Texas Department of Mental Health and Mental Retardation are eligible for Medicaid.)

Those decisions took a tattered Texas-style mental health safety net and ripped it wide open. Forty-one community health centers across Texas struggle to care for our

poor mentally ill. Each runs on a shoestring budget with caring, dedicated staffs who do their best to care for society's most vulnerable. Human errors can occur in community mental health centers, just as in the best hospitals. In either setting, these failures can be fatal.

A deeply embedded stigma surrounding mental illness pervades our culture and directly affects our lead-

ers' decisions about funding. Our lawmakers find little public sympathy for the mentally ill, and our governor shows no mercy, no disdain for injustice, no nobility of the soul. We all have the blood of Samantha Harvey and Kelsey Patterson on our hands.

Inglis is a practicing neonatal intensive care nurse in Austin and a member of the Austin-Travis County Mental Health Mental Retardation Center Board of Trustees.

## Fort Worth City Band To Perform In Thurber June 12

The Fort Worth City Band will give a free open-air concert at the W.K. Gordon Center for Industrial History of Texas in Thurber, at 7:30 p.m. on Saturday, June 12. The W.K. Gordon Center, part of Tarleton State University, is a museum and special collections library of Texas industrial history located near the site of the Thurber ghost town.

The Fort Worth City Band is an all-volunteer band made up of about 50 musicians and they have performed for audiences throughout North Texas. Founded in 1960, the band has had several well known former members including KXAS/Channel 5 weatherman, the late Harold Taft, who served as a principle trumpeter for many years.

The free concert will feature the music of John Philip Sousa and his contemporaries popular during Thurber's heyday. Guests are asked to bring their own lawn chairs and blankets for seating on the grounds of the Center. In case of wet weather, the performance will be rescheduled.

The W.K. Gordon Center is located at exit 367 on Interstate 20, 70 miles west of Fort Worth and 80 miles east of Abilene. Several restaurants are located nearby. Bottled water and soft drinks will be available for purchase. No alcohol is allowed on the grounds of the Center. For more information on the free musical program, contact the Gordon Center staff at 254-968-1886.

### TOP VIDEO RENTALS

1. Big Fish starring Ewan McGregor (Columbia TriStar) **Rated: PG-13**
2. The Last Samurai Tom Cruise (Warner) **R**
3. Haunted Mansion Eddie Murphy (Walt Disney) **PG**
4. Master & Commander: The Far Side of the World Russell Crowe (Fox) **PG-13**
5. Kill Bill Vol. 1 Uma Thurman (Miramax) **R**
6. Stuck on You Matt Damon (Fox) **PG-13**
7. Love Actually Hugh Grant (Universal) **R**
8. The Cooler William H. Macy (Lions Gate) **R**
9. Love Don't Cost a Thing Christina Milian (Warner) **PG-13**
10. Cheaper by the Dozen(2003) Steve Martin (Fox) **PG**

### TOP DVD SALES

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2. Master & Commander: The Far Side of the World Russell Crowe (Fox) **PG-13**
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5. Stuck on You Matt Damon (Fox) **PG-13**
6. Love Actually Hugh Grant

### TOP MOVIES

1. Shrek 2 featuring the voice of starring Mike Myers **Rated: PG**
2. Troy Brad Pitt **R**
3. Mean Girls Lindsay Lohan **PG-13**
4. Laws of Attraction Julianne Moore **PG-13**
5. Man on Fire Denzel Washington **R**
6. Van Helsing Hugh Jackman **PG-13**
7. Breakin' All the Rules Jamie Foxx **PG-13**
8. Kill Bill Vol. 2 Uma Thurman **R**
9. New York Minute Mary Kate Olsen **PG**

### BEAUTY TIP

Every once in a while, you need to pamper yourself. A great way to do this is to have a professional pedicure. Since this is sandal season, you'll want your feet to look their prettiest. If you can't afford a professional pedicure, you can do one yourself at home. Soak your feet in warm water for about 20 minutes. Use a pumice stone to remove rough skin and calluses. Be sure your toenails are cut straight across and are not too long. Use toe dividers and paint your toenails. When they're dry, and you're all through, slather on a foot moisturizer. Voila! Pretty feet!

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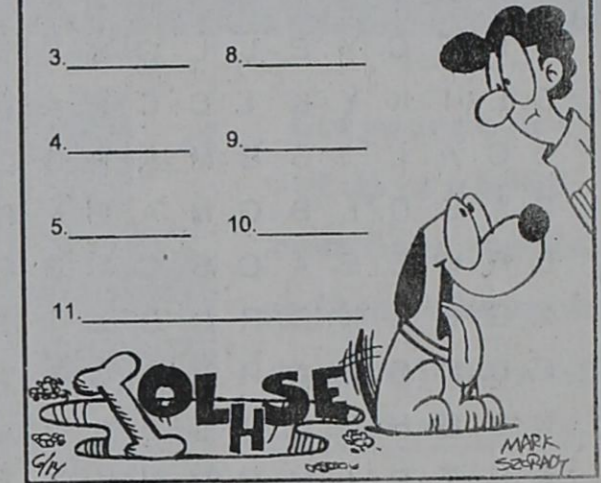
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By Mark Szorady

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# Good Health For You and Your Family

By Patti Patters, MD, vice president of rural and community health at the Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center

Rural living can mean many things for different people--caring neighbors, wonderful views, peace and quiet. But it can also mean some challenges, including staying healthy. A study from the Southern Medical Journal reported that women who live in rural areas are more

likely to live in poverty, to report more health problems, and to be obese.

Obesity is one of the nation's biggest public health problems. More than two out of every three Americans are overweight and one in every three is obese. A person who is obese is significantly more likely to develop serious medical conditions such as heart disease, high cholesterol, arthritis-related disabilities, high blood pressure,

and even some cancers.

Our children are also at risk for being overweight or obese, and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention estimates that one in every three children born in 2000 will become diabetic unless they start to exercise more and eat less. For African-American and Hispanic children, the news is even worse--nearly half will probably develop the disease unless something changes.

As the saying goes, an ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure, so it's important that we focus on how to improve our own health and that of our families. Be honest with yourself. Is your weight healthy? Do you get regular exercise? Do you choose healthy food to eat? What about your family?

If you are overweight, then it's important to address that issue. It's not necessary to go on a strict diet and start training for a marathon. Just make small adjustments along the way. For example, instead of drinking several sugary soft drinks a day, try to alternate a soft drink with a big glass of water. Drinking lots of water is even more important as summer arrives.

As for exercise, try to add a little activity throughout your day. Park farther away from the store and walk the extra distance. Now that the days are getting longer and the weather is warming up, you could take your family to the park or take the dog for a walk in the evening instead of watching television. That way, your furry friend gets to benefit as well.

Healthy eating takes a bit of planning, but now is a good time to start because of the abundant fresh fruit and vegetables. Strawberries and orange segments make tasty snacks after school, and every evening dinner should include some of the delicious vegetables available this time of year.

## Phase II Begins On FM 603

Abilene, Texas--Garry Jennings, construction manager for the Texas Department of Transportation's Abilene Area office, has announced that Phase II of the rehabilitation and widening of FM 603 from CR 258 to the I-20 frontage road will begin June 9.

This road construction was set up in three phases. Phase I, from CR 258 to FM 18, has been completed. Phase II is from FM 18 to IH-20 frontage road, and Phase III will place a second course surface treatment on the entire project.

During construction of Phase II, that portion of the roadway will be closed to

thru traffic, but open to local travel. Depending on weather, that phase should be completed in July 2004. During Phase III, the roadway will be open to all traffic.

This \$1.35 million project was awarded to Stephens Martin Paving, Inc., of Abilene. Tim Roswell of the Abilene Area office is TxDOT's chief inspector for the job.

Estimated completion date of the project is August 2004.

As always, TxDOT asks that drivers use extra caution when traveling through work areas and on newly constructed or untreated surfaces.

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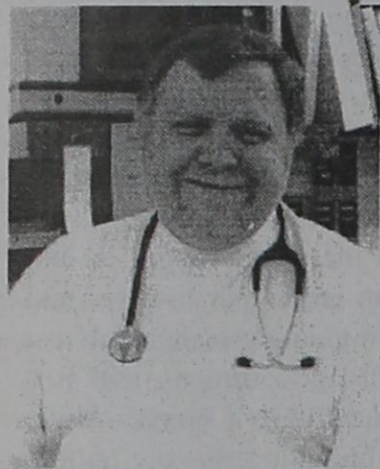
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# Eastland Memorial Hospital Expo 2004

## To Be Held Friday, June 11

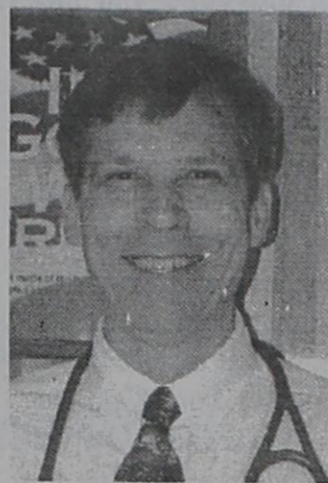
### Grand Rounds



**Speaker:**  
Dr. James Slayton  
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**Speaker:**  
Dr. William Simpson  
12 noon  
Topic: Acid Reflux



**Speaker:**  
Dr. Robert Matthews  
1:00 p.m.  
Topic: Common Sense Medicine

a.m. on Alzheimers, Dr. Slayton, 11:00 a.m. on Asthma, Becky McIntire, 11:30 a.m. on the Breast and Cervical Cancer Control Program, Dr. Simpson, 12 noon, Dr. Wilson, 12:30 p.m. on Myasthenia Gravis and Dr. Matthews, 1:00 p.m. on Common Sense Medicine.

Eastland Memorial Hospital is the only hospital in this county serving a diverse

Some men see things as they are and ask why. Others dream things that never were and ask why not.

—George Bernard Shaw

population of approximately 18,000 with outreach medical services to surrounding counties.

There will be free prizes at each booth provided by Eastland Memorial Hospital and several drug companies. Hot dogs will be served at noon. Come join in the fun!

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The whole object of education is, or should be, to develop the mind. The mind should be a thing that works. It should be able to pass judgment on events as they arise, make decisions.  
—Sherwood Anderson  
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Thursday, June 10, 2004

Sweet and Sour Barbecue Sauce  
Makes 1 cup  
1/2 cup hoisin sauce\*  
1/4 cup White House Apple Cider Vinegar  
2 tablespoons Dijon mustard  
2 tablespoons soy sauce

Mix all ingredients in a small bowl.

Brush over fully-cooked chicken as well as ribs, pork, beef or steak-style fish such as swordfish, salmon, or tuna;

Continue to cook until barbecue sauce sets and turns a pleasant spotty brown.

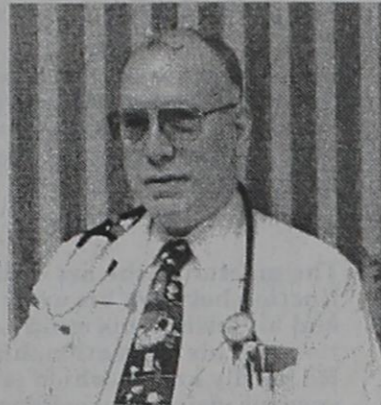
Serve with extra sauce for dipping.

Read The Classifieds



**Speaker:**  
Dr. Sandra Hazelip  
11:00 a.m.  
Topic: Alzheimer's

Mark your calendars, Friday, June 11, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. for the Eastland Memorial Hospital Expo 2004. The Expo will be held across the street from the hospital at Daugherty Street Church of Christ parking lot and fellowship hall. Eastland Memorial Hospital Expo 2004



**Speaker:**  
Dr. Hugh Wilson  
12:30 p.m.

**Topic: Myasthenia Gravis**  
is an event that will reach out to the tri county area that they serve and will educate the public on the services the hospital offers in support of the community's healthcare needs.

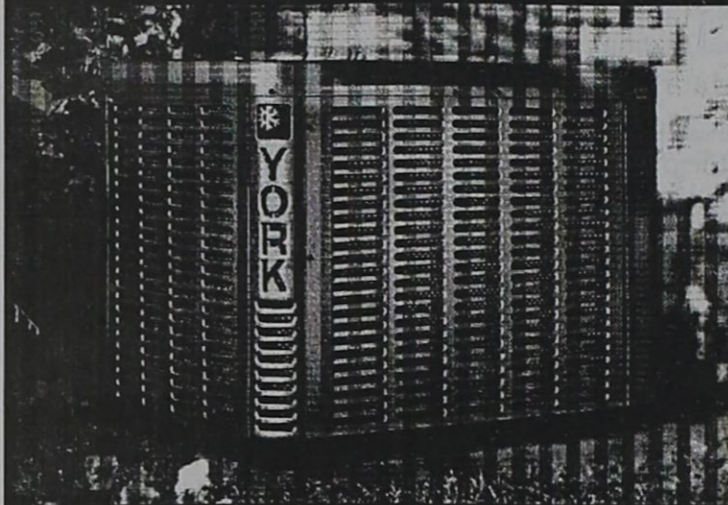
Booths at the Expo will feature different areas of healthcare services provided by E.M.H. Radiology will focus on mammograms, cat scans, sonograms and other services they perform. There

will be drawing for a free mammogram. Lab will perform FREE glucose finger sticks, and will have a drawing for discounted lab work to be done in the future. Cardiac Rehab and the Wellness Center will give out information and have a drawing for 2 free one month memberships to the Wellness Center. Each department of the hospital will have information and promotional items to encourage self management and prevention health related issues.

The Texas Department of Health and Human Services will be giving immunizations and Southwest Air will bring in a helicopter.

The local medical community will present a series of lectures called "Ground Rounds" and will be presented as follows: Dr. Slayton, 10:00 a.m. on Cholesterol, Dr. Hazelip, 10:30

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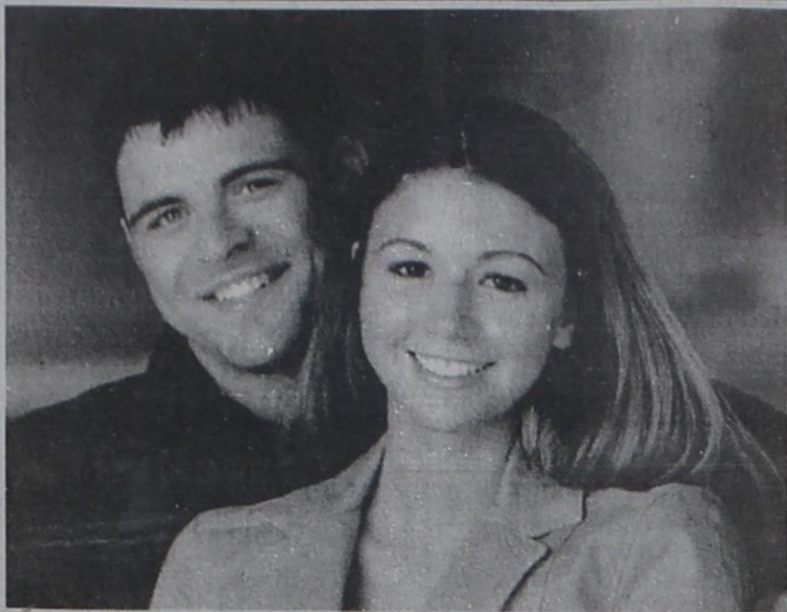
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## Engagement Announcement



### DeLaCruz - Mangum

Sherri and Rick DeLaCruz are proud to announce the engagement and upcoming marriage of their daughter, Koree Richelle DeLaCruz to Mr. Kevin Lee Mangum.

The bride-to-be is the daughter of Rick DeLaCruz of Odessa, Texas and Sherri DeLaCruz of Eastland. Paternal grandparents are Joe and Nadine DeLaCruz of Winters, Texas. Maternal grandparents are the late Weldon Collins and late Louise Collins of Winters. Koree is a 2000 graduate of Eastland High School and earned a Bachelor of Science degree in Early Childhood Education from Texas Chris-

tian University in Ft. Worth, Texas in May of 2004.

The groom-to-be is Kevin Mangum, son of Robert and Sandra Mangum of Eastland. Paternal grandparents are the late Maurice Mangum of Carbon and the late Evelyn Rippetoe of Gorman. Maternal grandparents are W.T. and Lois Eaton of Cisco. Kevin is a 2000 graduate of Eastland High School and earned a Bachelor of Business Administration degree in Marketing from Texas Christian University in May of 2004.

The couple will exchange vows on July 10, 2004 in Dallas, Texas.

## Cornyn Applauds Strong Job Growth

*248,000 New Jobs Created in May, Nearly One Million New Jobs Added in Last Three Months*

U.S. Sen. John Cornyn, a member of the Senate Budget Committee, made the following statement regarding the 248,000 new jobs created in May 2004 and strong economic growth in recent months:

"I'm very pleased that this important tax relief and jobs growth package that we passed last year with the leadership of President George W. Bush has turned out, as we expected, to reap such strong results. While we won't be happy until every person who wants a job has one, our robust economic climate is creating new opportunity, growth and hope for American families.

"May's figures of almost 250,000 new jobs mean that in the last three months alone nearly a million new jobs have been created in America due to the very strong economy. This is great news for the American people, but unwelcome news for those who have pinned their political hopes on convincing Americans that the economy

is headed in a downward direction."

According to revised numbers announced by the Labor Department, nearly one million jobs have been created in the last three months alone. The hiring has been in all sectors of the economy, including manufacturing, which until recently had shown limited growth.

The national unemployment rate stayed constant at 5.6% in May--down 0.7 percentage point from a peak of 6.3% in June 2003. The 5.6% unemployment rate is below the average of the last three decades.

## Remembering Ronald Reagan: A Great American

By Senator Troy Fraser  
Austin--While America and the world mourns the passing of Ronald Reagan, he will be remembered as one of our nation's greatest presidents because he pushed the former Soviet Union to the brink of collapse and brought the 40-year Cold War era to an end.

But his election in 1980 as our 40th president also ushered in a new era of conservative thinking, one that was rooted in compassion and honed under the political tutelage of Barry Goldwater, the founder of America's political conservative movement. It was also a doctrine that attracted, transformed and guided an entire generation of business and political leaders to what later would be called the Reagan Revolution.

As a young businessman in West Texas in the early 1980's, Reagan's basic tenets of smaller government, lower taxes, and less regulation had a profound and lasting impact on me. It shaped my conservative philosophy of business, and

later, of government, when I was first elected to the Texas House of Representatives in 1988. Those same principles espoused by Ronald Reagan still serve me today--and serve me well--as your state senator.

Ronald Reagan recognized that if businesses are free from excessive government regulation, taxation, and bureaucratic red tape, they are more likely to grow, providing more jobs and better paychecks while expanding the tax base.

Reagan believed that if government taxes individuals less, allowing them to keep more of their hard-earned money, people will reinvest those dollars in the economy when they buy goods and services.

"Millions of individuals making their own decisions in the marketplace will always allocate resources better than any centralized government planning process," Reagan believed.

And Ronald Reagan taught me that government cannot and should not try to be all

things all people.

His distaste for big government was rivaled only by his desire to lower the tax burden, and during his presidency, the top income tax rate fell from 69 percent to 28 percent. Along the way, he reduced domestic spending and eased the regulatory burden on industry.

While Ronald Reagan will be remembered as "The Great Communicator," and a man of enormous determination, character and warmth, it should be noted that voters rewarded him with a second term in office because his domestic policies worked, and the national economy rebounded.

After winning his first election in 1980 with 51 percent of the vote in a three-way

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race, he won re-election in 1984 by a landslide, carrying 49 states and 525 of the Electoral College's 538 votes. He left office in 1989 with a 63 percent job approval rating, the highest of any president since Franklin D. Roosevelt.

In the days ahead, as we mourn the loss of this great American leader and recall his many accomplishments on the world stage, let us also remember him for his common sense approach to forward government, and for renewing our conservative values that make our nation great.

Senator Troy Fraser, R-Horseshoe Bay, represents District 24, a 21-county region in the geographic center of the state.

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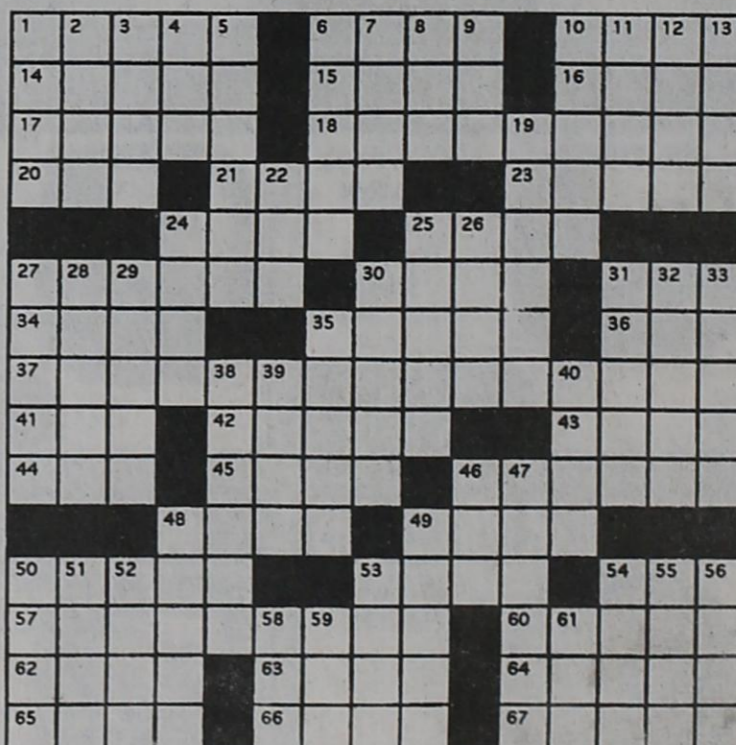
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| 10 Exhibition              | 44 Vets' titles: abbr.       | 5 Sever                             | 33 Fashions           |
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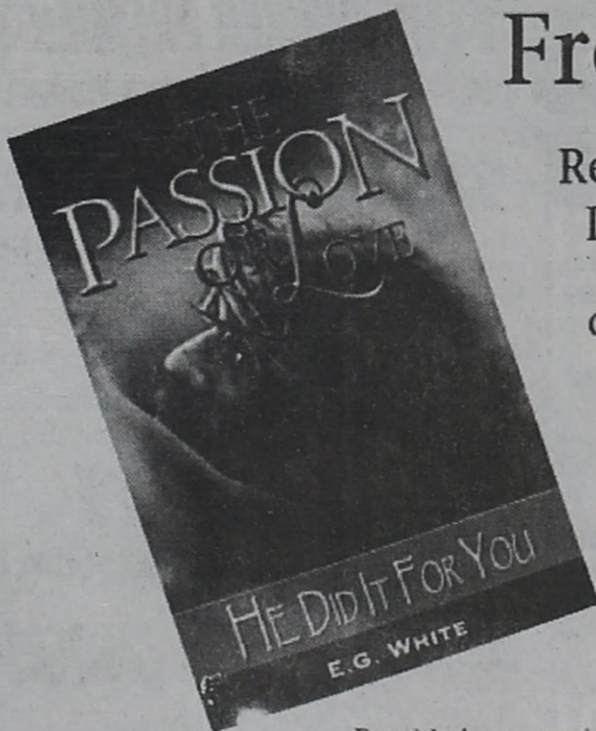


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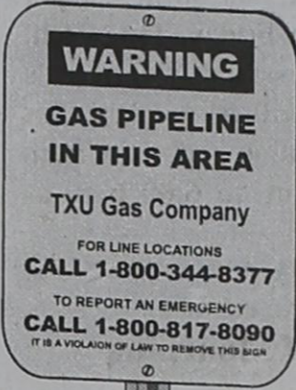
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**Day of Mourning**

directing flags be flown at half staff would remain in effect until Monday, July 5—30 days after Reagan's death. Pery described Reagan as "a man of principle (who) changed the course of America and the world forever by reviving our economy, by renewing our national confidence, and by tearing down barriers to freedom throughout the globe."

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**Commissioners**

opinion that the agreement would benefit Callahan County, and noted that Callahan County would furnish volunteers to take residents to dispensing clinics in Abilene (in the case of a public health emergency).

Several points listed in the agreement are as follows:

- Callahan County will recruit and assign an individual as Volunteer Coordinator for mass dispensing clinic operations to be conducted in Taylor County under the leadership of Taylor County Health Department.

- Taylor County will host mass dispensing clinic(s) which will provide services to Callahan County residents.

- Callahan County will direct Callahan County residents during a public health emergency in procedures for reporting to mass dispensing clinic(s) provided by Taylor County Health Department for the mass prophylaxis or vaccination of Callahan County residents.

- Callahan County shall assist in determining which job functions it shall fill from its local population, and assist Taylor County Health Department in filling the various roles at the mass dispensing clinic(s).

- Taylor County Health Department agrees to provide necessary training to core volunteers in both general volunteer response and task-specific practices for the emergency at hand.

- The duration of the agreement shall continue as indefinitely as necessary unless either party chooses to terminate the agreement.

The agreement would also have to be approved by Taylor County, Judge Corn said.

Further approved was a clean independent audit given to Callahan County by Stovall, Grandy and Whatley, LLP.

Melinda Brown of Stoval, Grandy and Whatley presented the annual audit to the court.

The independent Auditor's report stated that "In our opinion, the financial statements ... present fairly, in all material respects, the cash balances arising from cash transactions of the Office of the County Treasurer of Callahan County, Texas, at September 30, 2003, and the

Thursday, June 10, 2004 revenue it received and the expenditures it paid for the year then ended, on the basis of accounting ..."

The audit report, which covered a time span from October 1, 2002 through September 30, 2003, was approved unanimously by the Commissioners Court.

The Court also approved unanimously an abandoned road disposition.

With the Commissioners approval, the road, which is in Precinct # 2 just off Cnt. Rd. 247, will revert back to the owners, Jack Landers and Waymon Lyle.

Commissioner Farmer (Pct. #2) commented that the road had never been used as far as he knew.

Further on the agenda: Minutes of previous meetings were reviewed and signed with no additions or corrections, and a motion carried to pay approved bills.

No public comments were presented to the court.

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