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Local Chamber Banquet Set for March 26

The Rising Star Chamber of Commerce & Agriculture met Tuesday at noon at the Chuck Wagon Cafe.

The annual awards banquet will be Thursday, March 26, at 7:30 p.m. at the Activity Center of First Baptist Church.

Tickets for the banquet and steak dinner will be \$7 each.

Speaker for the affair will be Jim Wright, judge for the 91st District Court.

Awards will be presented to Rising Star's outstanding farmer, outstanding business person, for community service and to a senior citizen. A certificate will be given to the student from each of the four high school classes with the highest academic averages and to outstanding members of Rising Star 4-H, Future Farmers of America and

Future Homemakers of America.

Miss Rising Star, chosen from Rising Star High School Junior Class members, will be crowned at the banquet. Candidates are Amy West, Sherry Taylor, Renee O'Connor, Barbara Majors, Sheila Green, Jackie Harris, LaQuita Hendricks, Danetta Bible, Elizabeth Holland and Jennifer Linney.

Current Miss Rising Star is Laura Cox.

The steak dinner will be catered by the school Journalism Class, Annual Staff and RSTV Staff to help offset the high cost of publishing school yearbooks.

A progress report on securing bingos games for Rising Star was given.

Attending the meeting were Gene Hicks, Mildred Childers, Lottie Mae Roach,

Wanda Bible, Jaylayne Williams, Sue Landess, Dr. Don Bryan, Rowena and Woody Chambers, Barbara Kanady, Pat Byrom, Fredda Criswell and Carolyn Ratliff.

County Commissioners Meeting

Although much of the morning session March 9, at the Commissioners Court involved an account from Attorney Pro Tem Bill Hart, (reported in another story) there were also other items on the agenda.

Laddie Pierce came before the Commissioners to speak on behalf of the Eastland County Automobile Dealers in regard to procurement policies. He said that dealers in the county were having trouble with specifications when the County advertised for bids on vehicles; this advertising was "not specific enough."

Another dealer, James Fullen, said from the courtroom that he had mailed a bid on a certain vehicle and the bid was apparently never considered. Richard Robinson, Commissioner of Pct. 1, informed him that the bid had never reached the Court.

It was suggested by Judge Bailey that anyone submit-

The Commissioners and Pierce agreed to "help put a specification list together" so there would be more communication of what type of vehicles the county needs to lease or purchase.

ting bids on County purchases either send their letters certified mail or, better still, bring them to the Court in person by the specified deadline.

In other business, the Commissioners approved the County Depository contract and pledge agreement. They also approved a request for permission to advertise for bids for a dump truck for Pct. 1.

They opened bids for material for road work. There were two bids submitted, one from Finley Construction Co. and the other from BC Construction Co. Both bids were accepted, and the companies will be used according to location of hauling.

The County Jail was reported to be in compliance to the State Jail Standards Commission as of March 9. It will be inspected on Thursday, March 12 by personnel from the Commission, and a report will be forthcoming. Judge Bailey, the Commissioners and Sheriff Don Underwood will meet with the Commission in Austin on March 25.

Norman Christian, Commissioner of Pct. 2, requested that a 99-E Motor Grader be advertised for sale. This was approved.

The Commissioners voiced strong opposition to the Health Department District change from Abilene to Lubbock. This was passed as a Resolution. It was stated that the Department could not serve this area nearly so well from Lubbock.

Also on the agenda was a request by C.W. Boles for permission to cross Rd. 177 in Pct. 4 with a gas pipeline. The permit was granted.

Multiple Burglaries Reported in Rising Star

Three Rising Star businesses were burglarized Sunday night. Hardest hit was Connie's Beauty Salon & Lingerie Boutique at 100 N. Main Street. Owner Connie Hightower said all lingerie except the items displayed in the front window of the store and a few items displayed on the wall were taken in the burglary. Also taken was cash from both the beauty salon and lingerie store.

Broken into at the same time, apparently some time late Sunday night, was Buttons & Bows, 104 W. College, which has a connecting door with Connie's. The front door of the beauty salon, the connecting door and the door of Buttons & Bows were all damaged.

Nothing was reported stolen at Buttons & Bows or at West Texas Utilities Co. which was also broken into Sunday night.

Sunday night burglaries at

Pioneer and Cross Plains were also reported.

Other recent burglaries include All Star Oil Field Supply and a private home, said Gene Hicks, Constable of Precinct 3 in Eastland County.

Hicks suggested that Rising Star citizens form a Neighborhood Watch and urged citizens to write down license plate numbers of vehicles that are considered to be suspicious: any cars seen in an unusual place at an unusual time may fall into that category.

No funds have been set up in Rising Star to provide Crimestoppers reward money for tips that lead to the arrest and conviction of those committing crimes. Perhaps reward money would induce more possible witnesses to report what they have seen.

Connie's Beauty Salon & Lingerie Boutique was hit pretty hard in the loss of

\$2,500 worth of merchandise that was not covered with theft insurance. Other businesses have also had burglaries and vandalism that caused the owners hardship in recent years.

"I thought I was covered by insurance," Connie said, "but when I read my policy closely I discovered that theft is not included in it." Sadder but wiser, Connie plans to restock after she has made arrangements to buy theft insurance to cover merchandise.

A number of Rising Star citizens have also complained of prowlers at night the past few months. A Neighborhood Watch program would help ease the fears of the many elderly women who live alone and have heard of the prowlers and burglaries. These residents would surely urge their townspeople to "get involved" in stopping crime in Rising Star.

John G. Lee Runs for Mayor

I am running for Mayor. I have lived in this town many years and have served on the city council for the last four years. In the 1970's I served for three years.

I love my city and want to see it prosper and I believe it can. In the year of 1983-84 we had the city utilities so low that financially the city was losing money each month. The last six months of 1984 the utilities were raised, since then the city has had more funds.

I believe now is the time to reach out for some grants. I will do whatever is possible to accomplish getting the

grants. I will use what we have above the monthly expenditures of the city to repair and improve streets, bridges, park, police dept. and other necessary projects in our community. I will do what I can to get a worthwhile industry to our town and let you know the progress while doing it.

I believe this is all that needs to be said and if you have any questions call me days at 643-7101 or nights at 643-2981.

Most of you in Rising Star know me and what I stand for. I will appreciate your vote April 4.

John G. Lee



These four students are members of the Rising Star High School girls tennis team. They are, l. to r., Jackie Harris, Ranay Hatton, Laura Cox and Meredith Hamblen.

The team, coached by Mrs. Cindy Wood, will be competing in a tournament at Cross Plains this Friday and Saturday.

School Trustee Candidates

Last Wednesday at 5 p.m. was the filing deadline for the trustee election for Rising Star Independent School District.

Incumbent Doug Owen brought the number of candidates for the three trustee positions to four. Owen works for the City of Rising Star. School trustees Jack Hubbard and Jack Shults are not seeking re-election.

Others on the ballot for school trustee are Ronnie Green, Gary Wilson and Dr. Charles Barnes.

The election will be held Saturday, April 4, at Rising Star City Hall. Polls will be open from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m.

In a joint election, a mayor and two council members will be chosen by the voters for the City of Rising Star. Candidates for mayor are incumbent Henry Burk and John G. Lee. Running for the council place being vacated by Lee and the place held by Bernie Barnes are incumbent Barnes, Robin Reeves, James Cook, James New

and Tom Bailey.

Plan now to vote in the April 4 election for school trustees and mayor and city council. If you might be out of town at that time, absentee voting will begin Monday, March 16, and continue until March 31. Get absentee ballots from Rowena Chambers at the School Tax Office or Donna Gregg at City Hall.

VOTE! It's your privilege!

Donkey Basketball Tonight

Laughter, Best Medicine

Thrills, spills, hilarity and overall fun!

You can still watch the "Cosby Show" but, yes, you will have to miss "Family Ties."

The Rising Star High School Senior Class will be sponsoring a Donkey Basketball Game Thursday, March 12, in the gym at 7:30 p.m.

Playing in the first game will be Rising Star Senior Class against several basketball playing exes of the community.

The second game will be a match-up of skills between the Rising Star school facul-

ty and some of the town's great volunteers: members of the Volunteer Fire Department and Rising Star Emergency Medical Service.

The winners of those games will then play for the championship.

Advance tickets prices are \$3 for adults and \$2 for students. At the door tickets will be \$3.50 for adults and \$2.50 for students. Call or see any Senior for tickets!

Share this evening of fabulous fun! Be at the gym at 7:30 Thursday evening - we'll see you there.

Laura Cox

Ambulance Report

Our volunteer ambulance service, Rising Star Emergency Medical Service, made 21 runs during the month of February. They were:

Hallie Hill from Rising Star Nursing Center (RSNC) to Brownwood, Hallie Hill from Brownwood to RSNC, Dee Hardy from RSNC to Brownwood, Geraldine Milner from Rising Star to Brownwood, Geraldine Milner from Brownwood to De Leon, Oscar Killion from Brownwood to RSNC, Charles Chick from Brownwood to Rising Star, Mary Shields from RSNC to Brownwood, Dee Hardy from Brownwood to RSNC, Charles Chick from Rising

Star to Cisco and Emma Young from Abilene to Cross Plains.

Also, Maggie Morrow from RSNC to Brownwood, Margaret Burgett from RSNC to Brownwood, Charlie Kirkland from RSNC to Brownwood, Margaret Burgett from Brownwood to RSNC, Dee Hardy from Brownwood to RSNC, Dee Hardy from RSNC to Brownwood, Maggie Morrow from Brownwood to RSNC, Ruby Daniel from Rising Star to Brownwood, Joan Stephenson from downtown Brownwood to Brownwood Regional emergency room and J.N. Childers from Rising Star to Abilene.

Wildcats Named to All District List

Four Rising Star Wildcats were listed in the 1987 selections for All District Boys Basketball.

Named Most Valuable Player was Ronald Galle, Sr., 6'2", Eula; First Team All District, Toby Snider, Sr., 6'4", Gorman; David White, Jr., 5'9", Rising Star; Randall Bozarth, Sr., 6'0", Eula; Codie Parkhill, Sr., 6'1", Baird; and Jeff Burton, Jr., 5'9", Eula.

Second team All District includes Ronald Childers, Soph., 6'4", Gorman; Scott Gressett, Jr., 5'10", Gorman; Joey Cummings, Jr., 5'10", Eula; Miguel Pacheco, Jr., 5'10", Gorman; and Terry Barker, Sr., 5'10", Rising Star.

Earning honorable mention were Keith Clower, Carbon; Kelly Hill, Rising Star; Henry Valdez, Eula; Richard Payne, Baird; and Jerry Long, Rising Star.

Rising Star Track Meets on Friday, Saturday

Friday, March 13, Rising Star Jr. High tracksters will be competing in the Jr. High Tri Meet here in Rising Star beginning at 2:30 p.m.

On Saturday, March 14, Rising Star High School will host the Pioneer Relays. Field events will start at 9:30 a.m. and running events at 10:30 a.m.

May Volleyball Tourney

A volleyball tournament is being sponsored by May Schools March 19, 20, 21.

The tournament will be double elimination and include mixed teams. Entry

fee is \$35.

Send a nine person roster to Fran Ferrell, May I.S.D., Box 38, May, TX 76857, or call 817-259-2091.

VOTE!
April 4

History Book Meeting Is Here March 13

There will be a meeting at the First State Bank in Rising Star at 9:30 a.m., Friday, March 13th concerning the new Eastland County History book according to Ron Bailey, County Coordinator.

"The book will be about 75

percent family history and 25 percent county and community history," Bailey said. "All interested persons are invited to attend."

"If you have questions about the meeting you can call me at 629-2365 after 6:00 p.m. each evening," Bailey said.

Put Your
Organization Name,
Meeting Date, Time, Place
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Locals Named on Texas Unclaimed Money List

Texas State Treasury's Unclaimed Money Fund List, published in Sunday's Abilene Reporter-News, included these names from Rising Star: Vernetta Emily Allgood, Marlin Atwood, Dewey Chambers et ux, William N. Smoot and James Steele. Bryan Ezzell of Cisco

was also on the list.

The unclaimed money is in safe deposit boxes, oil royalties and stocks and bonds. Property may be reclaimed by calling the State Treasury, toll free at 1-800-321-2274 or by writing to the State Treasury a P.O. Box 12608, Capitol Station, Austin, TX 78711.

community calendar...

2nd THURSDAY
Masonic Lodge

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EACH THURSDAY
Rising Star Senior Citizens

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AMBULANCE MEETING
There will be a general meeting of Rising Star Emergency Medical Service volunteers Monday, March 16, at 7 p.m. at the city police station.

SATURDAY CLUB
The Saturday Club will meet Wednesday, March 18, at Rising Star Public Library at 2:00 p.m.

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3rd THURSDAY
Scottish Rite

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3rd FRIDAY
Lakewood Ladies Luncheon

Dr. Carpenter's Office Will Be Closed for Vacation the 2nd Week in March.

Closed March 9-13

Open 9 a.m. March 16



WILDCAT TALES
 RISING STAR HIGH
 JOURNALISM

Students Vie in Tennis Tourney

For the past couple of weeks three young ladies have been preparing themselves for the upcoming tennis tournament in Cross Plains.

Raney Hatton will be playing singles while Laura Cox

and Jackie Harris will be playing doubles. These ladies have worked really hard and are excited about playing this Friday, March 13, and Saturday, March 14, at the Cross Plains Tennis Meets.

Jackie Harris

Editorial

Relationships-The Real You

Do you feel unpopular? Do you think you bore people? Do you feel you just don't fit in?

This article is about the most difficult relationship of all - your relationship with yourself. If you ever felt like this, you are not alone. The main problem may be that you're examining yourself too much. Being fun means having fun! If you force yourself to be funny or entertaining, it only makes you feel miserable and self-conscious.

Also, the reason you may feel unpopular is you may try too hard to fit in. If you really notice, the people who seem to have the most trouble with popularity are the ones who do the most worrying about it.

There is no set plan for becoming "popular" or the "life of the party." But if you have tried almost everything to better yourself, try being yourself and see what happens.

Danetta Bible



4-H Parents - We Need Your Help!

All 4-H parents are urged to help sponsor the concessions at the Eastland County Livestock Show on March 18-21. Parents are needed to work in the concessions during your club's assigned times...so contact your club's organizational leader

and volunteer your assistance.

All 4-H families should donate baked goods for the concessions. We recommend cupcakes, brownies, pies, etc. Please bring these on the times your club works in the concessions.

All proceeds from the concession stand will go to 4-H. This is our one and only money raising project for the year! Let's all "pitch in" and make it a big success. The concession stand proceeds are used to support the Eastland County 4-Hers, their awards, contests and trips to district and state events.

Rex Long, chairman of the Eastland County 4-H Adult Leader's Association, states that there will be a fantastic menu and priced reasonable for your enjoyment. This year's menu will feature barbecue plates, Mexican plate dinners both for \$2.50. Also there will be the famous Livestock Show hamburgers, nachoes, pizza, and much more. We will have cinnamon rolls and coffee for the morning crowds. There will be a variety of delicious homemade sweets to tempt everyone's appetites.

You'll come out March 18-21...enjoy good food, see the 4-H and FFA members show their animals, visit the 4-H Petting Zoo on March 19...states Mrs. Janet Thomas, Eastland County Extension Agent. For more information, contact Mrs. Thomas at 629-2222.

Grandson of Locals in Calf Scramble



Walt Clemmer, far left, ag teacher at Brock, stands with four members of the Brock FFA who participated in a recent calf scramble. The students, from l.to r., are Darrell Miller, Darek Shires, Jody Hook and Gary Yeary. Jody is the grandson of Cole and Leo White of Rising Star.

Jody Hook, grandson of Cole and Leo White of Rising Star, was one of four members of the Brock FFA who recently competed in the first calf scramble at the Southwestern Exposition Livestock Show.

Darek Shires, Jody Hook, Gary Yeary and Darell Miller, all members of the Brock FFA, were among several participants in the calf scramble.

The boys are supervised by Walt Clemmer, an ag teacher at Brock.

managed to pull calves across the center line and received a \$400 certificate to purchase a heifer.

Campus Calendar

- MAR. 12.....Donkey Basketball Game
- Mar. 13.....Tennis Tournament, Jr. High Track Meet
- MAR. 14.....Tennis Tournament, High School Track Meet
- MAR. 17.....One Act Play Zone Contest
- MAR. 19-21.....Eastland County Stock Show
- MAR. 24.....One Act Play District Contest
- MAR. 27.....Miss La Estrellita Coronation, UIL Contests
- April 19... Family Portraits (Journalism Class, sponsor)

Lunch Menu

MARCH 16-20

MONDAY
 LUNCH: Turkey pot pie, mixed vegetables, salad, rolls, cake
 BREAKFAST: Biscuits, gravy, sausage, juice, milk
TUESDAY
 LUNCH: BBQ chicken, mashed potatoes, green beans, salad, rolls, peanut

butter & syrup
 BREAKFAST: Cereal, juice, milk

WEDNESDAY
 LUNCH: Enchiladas w/chili & cheese, corn, cole slaw, Mexican cornbread, jello
 BREAKFAST: Toast, bacon, fruit, milk

THURSDAY-FRIDAY:
 Out of school

RISING STAR 1987 TRACK SCHEDULE

Rising Star High School

- March 14 Pioneer Relays at Rising Star
- March 21 Santa Anna Run at Santa Anna
- March 28 Cisco Relays at Cisco
- April 4 Rising Star Relays at Rising Star
- April 16 District Meet.....at Comanche

Rising Star Junior High School

- March 13 Tri-Meet.....at Rising Star
- March 20 Santa Anna Meet.....at Santa Anna
- March 28 Gordon Relays.....at Gordon
- April 3 Rising Star Relays.....at Rising Star
- April 10 District Meet.....at Rising Star

RSISD Honor Roll

FOURTH SIX WEEKS 4th GRADE

A Brandi Harris

B Misty Bailey

Chris Schwab

Olivia West

Andrea Fox 5th GRADE

A Christy Hughes

B Christi Bush

Christeyna Johnson

Wid Keeling

Scott Rutledge

Inga Williams

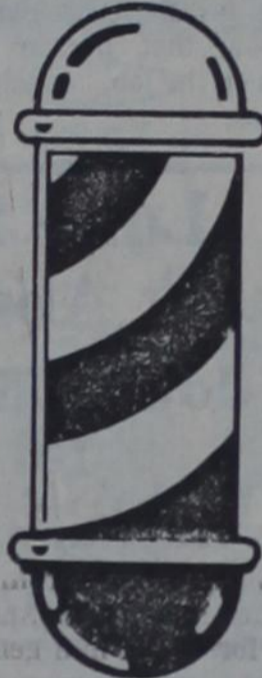
Heather Wright 6th GRADE

A Jo Linney

Gregg Stone

B Will Ezzell

Shawna Waddle



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Estate Planning Saves Taxes, Frustration

"A properly drawn estate plan may save many farm and ranch families up to \$200,000 in estate taxes." This statement made by Wayne A Hayenga, Texas Extension Economist and Attorney, assumes a lot of information: a married couple who "like each other" and want to care for each other, who have a farm or ranch worth \$1 million or more, and want to pass it on to their children.

This is an eye opening fact for many farmers and ranchers. In fact, many people only worry about estate planning if they hear of a friend's "problem" in settling an estate or paying estate taxes. "But," Hayenga continued, "for many families the estate tax savings are not as large-if they have smaller operations. In fact, for many farm/ranch families, the income tax savings of a properly prepared estate plan can be greater than the estate tax savings."

Four two-day seminars talking about these complicated tax topics will be held at Fort Worth-March 11-12, San Angelo-March 26-27, El Paso-April 1-2, and San Antonio-April 15-16, 1987. The program is structured to help farmers and ranchers learn how to lower their tax burden and ease administrative burdens that affect passing their estates to their loved ones. In addition to discussing estate planning systems, tax savings possibilities will be discuss-

ed from corporations, partnerships and trusts when family members are involved in the business.

Making gifts to avoid estate taxes will be discussed also. "There are two problems with making excessive gifts, the first is dying poor and the second is the adverse income tax consequences the gift can cause the recipient. A properly planned estate can save many dollars in income taxes for the heirs."

Two problems that affect family operations, planning for inflation and growth of the business will be discussed. Another topic, how to be fair among all children when one child is interested in the family business and others are not will be addressed.

This seminar has been conducted 36 times and attended by over 1500 people in the state. At the last four seminars, over 40 percent of the participants were there for the second time to increase understanding of this complicated but crucial subject for their families.

The registration fee is \$60.00 and registration information is available at your County Agricultural Extension Office, or from Wayne A. Hayenga, Agricultural Economics Department, Texas A&M University, College Station, TX 77843. Phone: (409) 845-2226.

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- 3 - Bait Bucket

Drawing To Take Place

Wednesday, March 18, 1987

at 7:00 P.M.



State Information Program Offers Tax Relief Tips

AUSTIN—Taxpayers can learn how to get property tax relief from their local appraisal district offices, according to Ron Patterson, executive director of the State Property Tax Board (SPTB).

Patterson said the SPTB staff is working with appraisal districts and local news media to help make taxpayers aware of filing deadlines for property tax exemptions and other forms of property tax relief.

"Property owners must file rendition forms by March 31 and apply for exemptions and special productive valuation by April 30 this year," Patterson said. Taxpayers should file all exemption and productive value applications, as well as rendition forms, with the local appraisal district.

A rendition is a report a property owner makes listing taxable property owned or managed on January 1, 1987. On it, a taxpayer can record an opinion of the property's value. "If the owner renders a property's value, the appraisal district must notify the owner if it places a higher value on the property," Patterson explained.

Some property owners are required by law to render their property. "Anyone who owns or manages income-producing personal property on January 1 must file a rendition statement with the appraisal district," Patterson said.

The chief appraiser may also require other property owners or managers to render property; if so, the chief appraiser will send a notice and the appropriate rendition form. Property owners must file renditions by March 31.

Homeowners can usually get tax relief through residence homestead ex-

emptions. "Homestead exemptions help homeowners because they allow a part of a home's value to be exempt from property taxes. This in turn reduces the amount of property taxes assessed on the house," Patterson explained.

Homestead exemptions are available for all qualified homeowners and additional tax relief is available for persons who are disabled and those who are 65 and older. Elderly homeowners who receive the over-65 homestead exemption also get a "freeze," or ceiling on school taxes.

Disabled veterans, survivors of deceased disabled veterans and survivors of those who died on active duty also receive tax exemptions from all taxing units.

"Farmers and ranchers can also lower their tax bills," Patterson said. "If their land qualifies for productivity valuation, the land will be taxed on its ability to produce, instead of its market value." Productivity valuation comes in two forms, often referred to by the section of the Texas Constitution that provides them: open-space or "1-d-1" valuation and agricultural or "1-d" valuation.

Property owners who last year received homestead exemptions, disabled veterans' exemptions and open-space land valuation do not need to reapply in 1987, unless the chief appraiser requests a new application to confirm the owner's current qualification.

Patterson pointed out, however, that property owners who have not previously received tax relief on their present homesteads or land must apply in 1987. Farmers and ranchers who receive agricultural-use valuation

must apply for it annually.

People whose property is in more than one county appraisal district have an additional responsibility. They may have to file for exemptions and productivity valuation in each appraisal district in which the property is located. If they do not, taxing units may tax the property on its full market value.

Applications for exemptions and special valuation must be submitted to the appraisal office by April 30.

Complete information on tax exemptions and rendition requirements is in a pamphlet SPTB produces, "Taxpayers' Right, Remedies, Responsibilities." The pamphlet also explains how taxpayers can challenge the values placed on their property by protesting to the appraisal review board. The free pamphlet is available from appraisal district offices or from SPTB in Austin.

"Local governments will generate nearly \$9 billion this year," Patterson said. "It will help fund necessary services such as public schools, hospitals, fire and police protection, water, utilities and local colleges."

"I urge all property owners to learn about the property tax process, to file renditions and to take advantage of all forms of tax relief available to them," Patterson said.

4-H Petting Zoo To Be Held March 19

Don't forget to bring the kids out to the 4-H Petting Zoo on Thursday, March 19 at the Eastland County Livestock Show. Baby farm animals will be on display for children to see and touch!

The petting zoo is being sponsored by the 4-H Junior Leader's Association. 4-Hers will conduct tours through the zoo between 9 a.m. and 6

p.m. on Thursday, March 19th.

If you are interested in bringing a group of children to the zoo, contact Mrs. Janet Thomas, County Extension Agent - Home Economics, at 629-2222. We will be happy to set up a tour time.

The Petting Zoo being sponsored by the 4-Hers is free for everyone's enjoyment.

Society Pays High Price For Substance Abuse

Recent estimates place the cost of drug use to society at between \$25 and \$40 billion per year.

This cost and a concern for chemically impaired employees has many companies turning to drug testing to weed out substance abusers.

"I must emphasize that drugs in the work place are nothing new," said Lori Weiss, advisor for the drug and alcohol program at Texas Christian University. "Historically there always have been cycles of concern, and we're in one of those concern periods right now."

By far the most abused drug is alcohol, probably because it is more easily incorporated into everyday life, explained Weiss. It is a lot more acceptable to get a little drunk at a party than it is to smoke marijuana or

snort cocaine, she said.

Weiss stressed that if drug testing is used it should be in conjunction with a comprehensive program which works to help the substance abuser. "I'm against having drug testing and saying if certain substances show up that person is fired, because you're not helping that person," said TCU's drug and alcohol advisor.

Some argue that they do not use drugs on the job, and it is nobody's business what they do on the weekend. Weiss doesn't agree with this argument, claiming that if a drug is still traceable it is still having an impact on that person's job performance.

"Even if they did the drug on Saturday and there is still a trace of it on Monday, that means it is still having an impact on the person's personality and how that person interacts on the job," concluded Weiss.

Scott Fund Established In Cisco

A fund has been started at First National Bank in Cisco for Dorothy Scott, long time Cisco resident, who recently spent five weeks in the hospital due to heart failure and lung disease.

She is home now but medical and other bills are still mounting, and Mrs. Scott would appreciate any help given her. Due to a dependence on oxygen, she is unable to work. She would also like to thank everyone for prayers and help that have already been given.

11 Places Still Open For CJC Villahermosa Trip

Eleven places are still available to anyone who wishes to travel with the Cisco Junior College Band and Belles to Villahermosa, Mexico, April 26-May 1.

The Band and Belles will participate in the Festival del Tabasco, which is a "development celebration" similar to a state fair. The state of Tabasco is southeast of Mexico City, and government officials will give a dinner to welcome the Cisco group to Mexico. Participation of the Band and Belles includes two concerts and two parades, one of the latter being a river boat parade.

All those who travel with the Band and Belles will have accommodations in the Hotel Cencalli, which is a 4-star hotel. The travel agency, Encore International, which is handling the tour, has made arrangements for numerous excursions to archaeological ruins and tourist attractions such as the giant Olmec Stone Heads. The five days will be filled with activity, but one day of free time has been scheduled in the itinerary.

Invitation to participate in this event came from officials of the state of Tabasco, and they welcome anyone who travels with the Band and Belles. The cost is \$595 per person which includes charter air fare, hotel, and most meals. A complete itinerary and full information about the trip may be obtained from CJC Band Director Tim Jones, Cisco Junior College, Cisco, Texas 76437.

CJC Announces Dinner

Theatre Cast

Cisco Junior College's Theatre Department, under the direction of Carol Brown, announced the cast for their next dinner theatre production, "Noises, Off." The Michael Frayn comedy will be presented April 6-7-8 in preview and April 9, 10 and 11 as dinner theatre.

The cast includes: (character is listed first) Donald Otley, Kerry Huddleston of Clyde; Lloyd Dallas, Larry Phipps of Brazoria; Garry Lejuene, Paul Means of Wichita Falls; Brooke Ashton, Cecelia Aragon of Garden City; Poppy Taylor, Jessica Cater of Cisco; Frederick Fellowes, Craig Warren, Craig Warren of Kermit; Bryan Ormsby, Clint Cotton, Abilene; Tim Allgood, Jackie Bibby, Rising Star;

and Selsdon Mowbray, Lonnie Betts of Stamford.

Reservations open March 23. Dinner will be served by ARA Food Services at the Hilton Community Center.

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The banking industry is undergoing many changes in Texas. Through buyouts, mergers and downsizing, banks are trying to survive one of the state's worst financial times since the Great Depression.

The Texas Legislature tried to help the situation by approving interstate banking during the special session last summer, but Texas banks would be in a much better position today if legislators had acted sooner, according to a Texas Christian University finance professor.

"If the state had approved interstate banking five years ago, Texas banks would have been able to diversify outside of the state and would not be in the situation they're in today," said Dr. Richard LeCompte.

Only a few banks have taken advantage of the law change since interstate banking was approved, but LeCompte believes that, in time, consumers will benefit.

"More consolidation or downsizing of banks should result in a reduced cost of

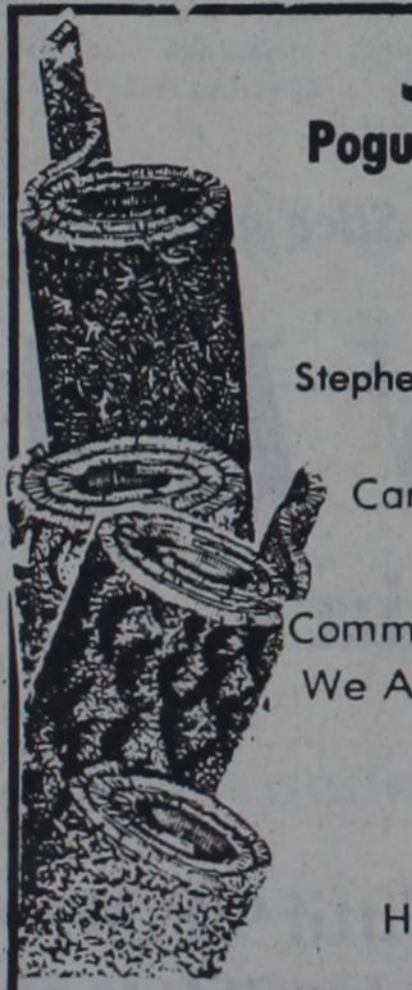
operations which would then pass through to the consumer in the form of higher deposit rates or lower rates on loans," explained LeCompte. "Another benefit projected for consumers because of the mergers is a larger quantity of services."

LeCompte added that many of the extra services probably will not begin immediately so consumers are not likely to notice a big difference in their banking routine.

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Area News Briefs

BAIRD
The "Meals on Wheels" will be having a Recognition Dinner on Tuesday, March 17, 7 p.m. at the "Meals on Wheels" building. This will honor the volunteers who deliver meals, the board of directors, the quilters, and anyone who has helped with this much-needed program. The "Meals on Wheels" group will furnish the meats, drinks and bread for the dinner, and each family attending is requested to bring a salad, vegetable or dessert. Registration forms for the dinner are available at the building, with space for information the organization would appreciate having. So pick yours up and plan to attend.

Baird Public School Week and History Fair was a huge success! A number of fine history exhibits were presented from both elementary and high school students. In the high school division, first place went to Kamie Windham and Stephanie Silba for their history of Kamie's grandfather, long-time rancher A.E. Dyer. This was depicted with antique pictures. Second Place went to Billy Collins Jr. and Fred Graham for their work on the history of the Baird Star. This was depicted with old lead type, cast advertising moldings and newspapers and modern newsprinting methods.

The City Council has learned that Baird will need a new fire truck by Jan. 1, 1989, or insurance rates will go up from \$320 to \$383, a difference of \$63. This would cost Baird property owners about \$44,100 annually. F.A. Payne, mayor, states that revenue will need to be raised on something to pay for the fire truck over nine or ten years, or everyone will be paying quite a bit more for insurance in the same period. A new fire truck is expected to cost Eighty to Ninety Thousand dollars. The mayor is asking citizens for suggestions.

CISCO
The possibility of reviving the dormant Cisco Industrial Foundation as a means of encouraging new business and industrial development was studied by the board of directors of the Chamber of Commerce at their monthly meeting. President L.D. Wooley of the First National Bank and head of the inactive foundation gave the board a briefing on the organization. Wooley told the group that the foundation has some \$50,000 in time deposits, and these assets are available under terms of the Charter for community development. The CCC Executive Committee will begin work on reviving the foundation, it was decided.

Cisco Fire Department will sponsor a Skywarn Weather Program Tuesday, April 7, from 7 to 9:30 p.m. at the high school auditorium. The program will be presented by the National weather Service from Fort Worth. Weather conditions to be covered are floods, cold and hot weather, storms, tornadoes and others. The public is invited to attend, and there will be no admission charge.

Several members of the school and faculty resigned at a recent meeting. Doyle Walker, athletic director and head football coach at Cisco High School for the past two years, submitted his resignation. Three other teachers also resigned, Pam Jackson, music teacher; Nell Seider, second grade; and Richard Meyers, high school science. Supt. Ray Saunders reported that all other present faculty members were given contracts for the 1987-88 school year.

Frankie Letney, who has been undergoing back surgeries in Houston completed her third and final surgery on Feb. 19. She was placed in a body cast on Feb. 27, and returned to her home in the Nimrod community several days ago. She is expected to remain in the cast for 8 to 9 months, and will

take rehabilitative treatment. It is reported that she received all the blood she needed for her surgeries, and that the response was outstanding. A fund has been set up at Citizens State Bank, Cross Plains, to help with her tremendous medical expenses. All contributions will be greatly appreciated.

Due to the great response to the taco dinner on Feb. 28, the Cisco Catholic Women have decided to repeat the event on Saturday, March 14. Helen Gaeta, Catholic Women's President, announces that the dinner will be held from 4:30 to 7:30 p.m. at Holy Rosary Parish Hall, 1106 Ave. F., Cisco. Besides the tacos, refried beans and homemade salsa, the up-coming meal will also feature enchiladas. Dinners will be \$4 for adults and \$2 for children.

RANGER
The Citizens For Good Government will hold a meeting on March 16, 7 p.m. at the Community Clubhouse. Candidates for the April 4 election have been asked to speak to the

citizens and inform them of views and ideas on the management of the city. This should be a very informative meeting, and a large group is expected to attend.

Thursday, March 12 is the 75th Anniversary of the Girl Scouts of America. This event will be celebrated by the Ranger Girl Scout Association at 4 p.m. Thursday at Memorial Park, next to the new Fire Station. After a short ceremony the Girl Scouts will hear a presentation on Campwood Lake. Brownie Troop 224 will have their next regular meeting on March 23, after Spring Break.

EASTLAND
It's almost Eastland County Livestock Show time again, and all 4-H parents are urged to help sponsor the concessions. This annual event will be held March 18-21. Baked goods such as cupcakes, brownies, pies, ect. are needed for the concession stands. Please bring these when your club works at the concessions. This is the one and only money-

raising event the 4-H Clubs have all year, so all are urged to "pitch in". The 4-H members have many special programs during the year which require some outlay of cash. These include awards, contests and trips to district and state competitions.

Randall M. Roper of Frisco, Texas has been named to succeed Delton Ake as Manager of the Eastland District of Lone Star Gas Co. Ake was transferred to Temple as District Manager on March 1. While he in Eastland Ake was very active in church and civic affairs, and also served on the County Extension Service Program Council.

Koen's Barbeque has opened at 1411 W. Main, and persons who have sampled the food report that it is delicious and reasonably priced. The menu features mesquite-flavored barbeque, ribs, chopped or sliced beef sandwiches, sausage, beans and potato salad, as well as a variety of soft drinks. All orders are take-out, and the hours are Monday through Friday from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. Call ahead at 629-2649 if you want your order ready when you arrive.

Don't forget the film "The Sound of Music" at the Majestic Theatre at 7 p.m. on

Red Cross Offers Lifesaving Course

The Breckenridge Youth & Fitness Center will be offering a Red Cross Advanced Lifesaving Course in May.

Saturday, March 14. The admission is only \$1, and you will have an opportunity to see the theatre and the renovation which has been done. This is a charming family-type film which all ages will enjoy.

The course will be taught by Gretchen Guy and Dee Cleveland, Red Cross certified Water Safety Instructors.

The class will take approx. 21 hours or 2 weeks to complete. There are some requirements:

1. 15 years old or older
 2. Swim 500 yards
 3. Dive and swim underwater
 4. Tread water
- There will be a fee charged for the textbook and pool

use. Anyone applying for a Lifeguard job will have to complete this course. If you are interested in this class you need to start swimming laps to work up your endurance. The classes will be limited to 10 students. Another class will be scheduled if more people are interested. The Breckenridge Youth & Fitness Center is located at 300 E. Walker in Breckenridge. Call Dee or Gretchen at (817)559-2414 between 10 a.m. and 5 p.m. for more information or to sign up.

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Planning On Retiring?

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VALET PARKING — Six Flags Over Texas stagehands deliver a piece of scenery to the park's Crazy Horse Saloon. The replica of a country musician's tour bus is part of the background for a new show called "Country Express" which debuts when the theme park opens March 14, for its 1987 season.

Planning on retiring? If so, you probably have questions about Social Security. In particular, you may wonder when is the best time to retire and how does one apply?

Only you can decide when to retire. The decision will depend on your financial and family situation, your health, and other factors.

According to Glyn Hammons, district manager in Abilene, Social Security recognizes the need for flexibility in retirement planning and gives you several options. You can receive: reduced benefits as early as 62; full benefits at 65; or more than your full amount if you delay retirement past 65. The people at the Social Security office can give you

an estimate of what you might receive at various ages.

Once you decide when to retire, you should apply about 3 months early so your checks will start when you quit working. You can apply by phone, in writing, or by visiting any Social Security office.

You and each eligible dependent will need his or her Social Security card (or a record of the number) and proof of your date of birth, preferably recorded before age 5. You should also have your W-2 form (Wage and Tax Statement), or a copy of your self-employment tax return and proof of filing, for the most recent tax year. If you plan to work some after retirement, an estimate of your expected yearly earnings will be needed.

Reduced benefits can normally start no earlier than the month you apply. If you wait until after 65 to apply, you can get back benefits for up to 6 months but not before the month you are 65.

Even if you do not plan to retire, both you and your spouse should apply for Medicare 2 or 3 months before 65 so you do not lose any of this protection.

If you are younger than your spouse and continue working, he or she can still have Medicare at 65, provided you are at least 62 and will be entitled to benefits when you retire.

More information is available at any Social Security office. The Abilene office is located at 142 S. Pioneer. The phone number is 915-698-1360.



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Six Flags Over Texas will begin its 1987 season Saturday, March 14.

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Because this year's opening coincides with the Spring Break period for most schools in the region, the Arlington theme park will be open daily through March 22. After that date, Six Flags will be open Saturdays and Sundays only for the remainder of the spring season. Daily operation for the summer months will begin May 23.

A major musical production, "Stars & Stripes Salute," will debut in the Southern Palace Musical

32nd Fine Arts

Festival Set For

April 10 - 12

The 32nd Annual Breckenridge Woman's Forum Fine Arts Festival is scheduled for April 10-12 at the Breckenridge Fine Arts Center at 207 N. Breckenridge in Breckenridge. Out of town artists, as well as local artists, are invited and encouraged to enter paintings. There will be divisions for Professional, Non-Professional and Children. Cash prizes will be awarded for first thru fourth places in each division.

Registration will be Sunday, April 5, from 1:30 p.m. to 5 p.m. and Monday, April 6, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Fee will be \$4 per painting with a limit of five entries. All work must be original, dry, properly framed, and equipped to be hung. A 20 per cent commission will be collected by the Woman's Forum on all entries sold.

Miniatures of any media may be entered for sale at \$1.00 per entry with no limit to the number of entries. Largest size in this category will be 5x7. A 20 per cent commission will be collected on all sales. Miniatures will not be judged.

Children's Division will have a \$1.00 per entry fee with a limit of three. These will be judged and the same rules apply as in the Adult Division.
Show hours are Friday, April 10 from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.; Saturday, April 11 from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.; and Sunday, April 12 from 1 to 5 p.m.

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Garcia Case Severance Denied

On Tuesday morning, March 10, District Judge Jim Wright denied a motion for severance of the defendants in the Garcia Murder Case.

They will all be tried at the same time.

Due to a conflict involving the appearance of a witness, the trial date has been moved from the tentative date of March 30 to April 6.

During a meeting Monday Eastland County Commissioners approved a motion to reaffirm and confirm a contract for Bill Hart to continue to serve as Attorney Pro Tem and as Special Prosecutor in the Debra Garcia Case.

The motion was made by Billy Bacon, Commissioner of Pct. 4 and seconded by Richard Robinson, Comm. of Pct. 1. Norman Christian, Comm. of Pct. 2, and L.T. Owen, Comm. of Pct. 3, added their approval, making the vote of confidence unanimous. County Judge Scott Bailey presided over the session.

This action followed a lengthy discussion, during which Attorney Hart reviewed his work on the case.

Some of his reason for meeting with the Court at this time appeared to be to answer charges leveled at him during a visit to the Commissioners Court on Feb. 23 by Attorneys Saul Pullman and Leslie Vance. These lawyers have been appointed to defend some of the accused in the Garcia Case.

Charles LeFlore and then his brother, Thomas LeFlore, both entered guilty pleas in the November, 1981 slaying. Both later gave other confessions which implicated other people in the murder.

Bill Hart was named as Special Prosecutor in March, 1985, and the County Commissioners approved his appointment. He re-opened the case and has since secured five more indictments.

These are for Richard Edward Hinton, Joe Thomas Perry, Brenda Gail Perry Andrews, Pat Starr (also known as Pat Ingram) and Barbara Williams. Brenda Gail Perry Andrews received a 10-year probated sentence after pleading guilty to criminal conspiracy in December, 1983.

Hart referred to the Garcia Case as the "first organized criminal activity to be investigated in the county," and repeated that he had done almost all the investigation himself, with no help from local law enforcement officers. He did praise Gene Hicks, Rising Star Constable, for his assistance.

He also stated that one reason District Attorney Emory Walton did not have time to re-open the case was that Walton had "No one he could really depend on" to do the investigative work needed.

"I have had cooperation from State and outside Police people," Hart reported. "If anything happens to me a detective with the Abilene Police Force can take the work over."

He mentioned that "harassment" had come to himself, County Judge Scott Bailey, the County Commissioners and Judge Jim

SIGN-UP ENDS MARCH 31

The sign-up period for participating in the 1987 wheat, feed grain and cotton programs continues until March 31. Advance payments may be requested at sign-up. Producers who plant at least 50% of their permitted acreage could earn payments on 92% of their permitted acreage in certain cases. We urge those with crop acreage bases to contact Eastland County ASCS office so the benefits of the program can be explained.

Wright because of the investigation.

"It has been stated that these up-coming trials could cost the County three to four hundred thousand dollars - maybe a half million," the Attorney said. "There is no reason why it should cost anywhere near that."

Hart reported that his charge for two years of investigation and case preparation had been around \$54,000.

CROSS COMPLIANCE

Limited on farm cross compliance is in effect for all 1987 program crops. Those participating in one program may not harvest more than the established base on non-participating crops on the same farm.

PAYMENT LIMITATION

Program provisions require that payments per person be limited generally to \$50,000. Those affected by the limitation should request an official person determination in order to avoid overpayment. Person determinations are based on conditions existing March 1, 1987. The final date to request a person determination on form ASCS-561 and provide supporting documentation is April 15, 1987.

1987 PEANUT SUPPORT LEVELS

A national support level of \$607.47 per ton has been announced for the 1987 crop of quota peanuts. Additional peanuts will be supported at \$149.75 per ton. Both levels of support are the same as an-

nounced for the 1986 crop of peanuts.

1987 PEANUT QUOTA NOTICES

We are in the process of making calculations in preparation to issue 1987 notices of peanut poundage quotas for individual farms.

SMALL GRAIN FOR HARVEST

Those grazing small grains are reminded that March 1 was the normal date to withhold grazing in order to expect a normal yield at harvest.

SMALL GRAIN LOANS

The final date to request price support loans on eligible 1986 crop of wheat, oats or barley is March 31, 1987.

Small Business Workshop

A workshop for current and prospective Small Business owners will be held from 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Tuesday, March 24, at the West Central Texas Council of Governments office, 1025 E.N. 10th, Abilene.

The workshop will include helpful information for persons interested in starting a business as well as for those already operating a small business. Ample time will be provided to answer questions dealing with specific problems or topics.

Speakers will include members of SCORE/ACE as well as outstanding com-

munity authorities on small business operation including Human Resources, business records, types of business organization, evaluating your market position, basic financing, insurance and a Representative from Abilene Public Library.

We will attempt to make special accommodations for the handicapped upon request.

The \$10 registration fee includes all materials and refreshments.

Advance registration is recommended by calling SCORE Office, Abilene, (915) 677-1857.

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VOTE APRIL 4

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On Thursday, January 8, 1986, John Walker was charged, in Judge Evans' court, with "Improper Trailer Registration". Being advised the fine was \$50.00, John Walker agreed to plead guilty, pay the fine and leave. Judge Evans then furnished the tools to remove the trailer license plates and provided a safe place to keep the plates. This license plate was on a commercial refrigerated trailer that was loaded with perishable products. Because the trailer license plates were removed, John Walker instead posted a \$200.00 cash bond and a trial was set for 10:00 a.m. the following Tuesday, January 13, 1986. Friday, January 9, 1986, John reregisteres his trailer and went home to Stafford.

Tuesday, January 13, 1986, John Walker returned, collected his \$200.00 bond money and made the motion that the case be dismissed on the grounds, it was the State of Texas vs the State of Texas. Motion was denied so John Walker paid the fine.

John Walker returned to Fort Bend County where the tractor and trailer were originally registered, both trailer and tractor were registered at the same time on a single check.

The clerk had made an error. The Fort Bend Tax Assessor-Collector issued a letter of apology to Mr. Walker and a copy of this letter was mailed to Judge Evans. The Fort Bend County Tax Office asked the State of Texas for permission to issue a refund. Permission was granted and a copy was furnished to Judge Evans. The refund check was issued to John Walker and he sent a copy to Judge Evans on December 3, 1986 reminding the Judge that he paid the of \$50.00 and asked Judge Evans...

WHAT, WHERE, AND WHEN DID JOHN WALKER
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No ANSWER HAS BEEN RECEIVED AS OF MARCH 12, 1987

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Eastland And Stephens Declared Disaster Areas

Senator Bob Glasgow (D-Stephenville) has been notified by the Office of the Governor, Division of Emergency Management, that Eastland and Stephens counties have been determined neutral disaster areas; thereby allowing eligible farmers in Eastland and Stephens counties to qualify for Farmer's Home Administration (FmHA) emergency (EM) loan assistance.

Eastland and Stephens counties were determined neutral disaster areas based

on damages and losses to crops due to adverse weather conditions which occurred January 1, 1986, through November 30, 1986.

"I am very pleased," stated Senator Glasgow, "to hear that the much needed loan assistance has been made available to Stephens and Eastland counties through the Farmers Home Administration."

Boy Scouts Earn Badges

by Cody Wilson, Scribe

In an awards ceremony, nine Rising Star Boy Scouts were presented with their Tenderfoot badges on March 4.

Receiving the badges were Brandon Carroll, Jarod Horton, Chad Hill, Donny Alcorn, Scott Rutledge, Shannon Bailey, Jimmy Evans, Ronnie Wilson and Alan Havens.

Three other Scouts, Cody Wilson, Jason Bible and Donnie Horton, received their badges recently.

* Happy *
* Birthday *

- MARCH 11
Neil Scott
Weldon Hill
- MARCH 15
J.T. Beggs
Frank Litterst IV
Kristy Kanady
- MARCH 16
None
- MARCH 17
Sally Hutchinson
- MARCH 18
Guyle Donham
- MARCH 19
Don Claborn
B.A. Butler
Helen Donham
Shawn Shore
- MARCH 20
Cole White
James Jackson
Maurice McCready
Susan DeLong
- MARCH 21
Clara Schlittler
Michael Nall

67th Anniversary



Mamie and Cecil Joyce

Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Joyce of Rising Star celebrated their 67th wedding anniversary over the weekend.

Guests in their home helping the couple celebrate were their sons, Kenneth and Bernard (Buddy), and Buddy's wife, Barbara, all of Greenville; Barbara's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Holler of Drexel Hill, Penn.;

cousins, Sara Katherine Hailey Childers of Denton, Mary Haley Wilson and Dorothy Haley Best of Grand Prairie, Nadine Weathermon White and Dorothy Weathermon Baird of Baird and Sid and Ruby Weathermon.

Mary Claborn of Rising Star also made a visit to congratulate the Joyces on their anniversary.

New Arrival



Dedran Dawn

Rita and Mark Simpson of Tyler are proud to announce the arrival of their first child, a daughter, born March 2. Dedran Dawn Simpson weighed 7 lbs. 2 ozs. and measured 21 inches long.

Grandparents are Duby and Edna Jones of Rising Star and Lola Simpson of Tyler. Little Dedran has one uncle, Arthur Jones of Houston.

Baby Shower Will Honor Doris Cox

A baby shower will be given for Doris Cox, who is expecting twins, at the home of Faye Medley Sunday, March 15, from 3 to 4 p.m.

Doris and her husband, Coach James Cox, have a 13-year-old daughter and the family moved to Rising Star almost two years ago.

Friends and relatives are invited to the baby shower March 15.

Baby Shower Honors Renee Harrell

A baby shower honoring Renee Harrell will be given at the May Homemaking Cottage in May on Saturday, March 14, at 2 p.m.

Friends and relatives are invited by the hostesses to attend.

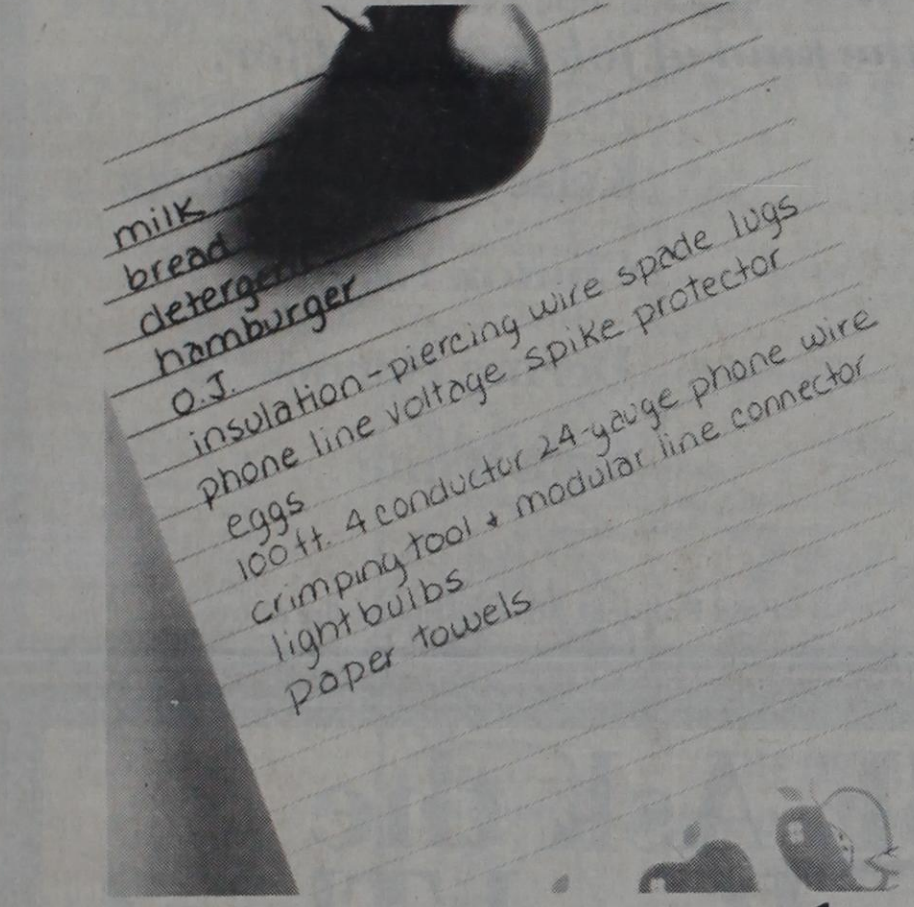
Selections have been made at Palace Drug Store in Rising Star.

8 lbs. 4 ozs.

Mr. and Mrs. Allen Phillips have a daughter, Kali Larissa, born Feb. 5 weighing 7 lbs. 3 ozs.

Mr. and Mrs. Glen Dale Phillips have a daughter, Kendall Burling, born Feb. 20 weighing 6 lbs. 14 ozs.

Paternal great-grandparents are Mrs. Nora Phillips of Pioneer and Lon Boyd of Brownwood.



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Saturday Club

The Saturday Club met Wednesday, March 4, at the Rising Star Public Library. Coordinators for the day were Ruby Murdoch, Ann Murdoch and Helen Donham.

Guest speaker was Mary Clark Holt of Carbon. Compiler of four cookbooks, Mrs. Holt gave club members hints to make cooking and housekeeping easier. Members were delighted with the information she shared.

She also shared some of her recipes which sound delicious and make one want to go into the kitchen and get to work on them. Mrs. Holt is also gifted in needlecraft and brought some of her knitting to show.

Bea Kruger, president, presided over the business meeting with reports given from various committees.

Helen Donham presented a motion that the club sponsor the building of an addition to the library, with work to be done as funds are available, starting with a concrete slab to be attached to the rear of the building. Various money making ideas were suggested and members agreed to help as they are able.

Carrying out a St. Patrick's Day theme, refreshments of punch, coffee, finger sandwiches, cake, cookies, a delicious dip and chips were served from a lace covered table.

There were 27 members and one guest, Mrs. Holt, present.

Thank You!

We, the family of Charles E. Chick, wish to acknowledge our heartfelt thanks for the many kind deeds that were ours during the sickness and loss of our loved one.

Our thanks to Brother Dick Williams and Brother Dale Jackson for a comforting service and to the Masons for a beautiful graveside service.

A special thanks to the ladies who served our lunch and to each who brought food to the house and for lunch.

And, thanks for your prayers, flowers, calls and visits. Jesus said, "When you have done this unto the least of you, you have done it unto me."

May God bless each of you in a special way.

The Family of Edd Chick

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