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Mixed Emotions At Eula Thursday

Santa Anna High School's One-Act Play cast will be presenting the play "Mixed Emotions" in zone competition Thursday at 2:30 p.m. in Eula. The play will be presented in Crawford on Tuesday, March 26 if they place in Eula. Cast members pictured above are Delisa Nicholas as Karen; Lee Keeney as the young man; Brandi Martin as Annie; Beth Eisenhower as Jill; Juliette van der Velde, crew member; Kate White, crew member; Rachel Guerrero as the old woman; Chris Cheaney as Tarzan; Melonie Smith, crew member; and David Almgrén, crew member. Stephanie Ford is the director. "Mixed Emotions" will be presented for the public in the future with the day and time to be announced in the NEWS.

Photo by Carol Herring

From City Council Minutes

The Santa Anna City Council met in regular session on Tuesday March 12 in the City Hall with council members Mike Pritchard, Jim Spillman, Robert Noriega, Karen Morris and Bobby Morgan and Mayor Danny Kellar present. Others present were Montie Guthrie, Billy Morris, Larissa Bell, Roddy Dean, Chief of Police Carlos Torres, Interim Superintendent of Operations Rusty Wells and City Secretary Alys Pelton.

Although not on the agenda for the meeting, Montie Guthrie appeared before the council to ask if South Lee and South Houston Streets south of Bowie Street could be returned to base material due to deterioration of asphalt. Wells will check into the cost for improving the asphalt and removing asphalt and putting more base down to see which option would be most cost effective.

Councilman Pritchard made a motion to amend the agenda to allow Roddy dean to speak on outside water rates. Dean had to attend a school board meeting. Water customers outside the city limits have paid one and one-half times the city rates for water for many years. When the county water system expanded last year, an agreement was made with some customers outside the city limits that their rates be lowered to inside city limit rates. This was done to not loose these customers. At the time customers within one-half mile of the city limits were able to take advantage of the lowered water rates. Dean requested the Council to looked into allowing other customers outside the city limits to have the reduced rates also. The city's attorney had not been able to complete his research on the legal standpoint and staying in compliance with the bond requirements with GE Capital prior to the meeting. The matter was tabled pending information from the City Attorney.

Billy Morris appeared before the Council again with his complaint against Police Chief Carlos Torres. Councilman Noriega asked what Morris want done about the complaint with Morris stating he wanted the Council to fire Torres. The matter was tabled pending contact with the city attorney regarding the issue.

Chief of Police Torres presented his monthly report with no questions from council persons.

Interim Superintendent Rusty Wells informed the council that the chlorine scales have been installed at the water treatment plant with a lot of work having been done at the plant with it ready for inspection. The landfill inspection was scheduled for February but the inspector failed to show.

Councilman Morris presented the completed Nutrition Center Contract with Coleman County Nutrition Center. The contract was approved.

Peggy Hensley has asked permission to block off the north half of the 100 block of North Second Street for a Healthfare of May 3. Permission was given for this request.

The motion to accept the COBRA agreement amendment with TML Group Benefit Risk Pool was approved.

The motion to adopt a proclamation recognizing the 10th anniversary of Adopt-a-Beach Program was also approved.

The following people were appointed to board:

Santa Anna Development Board: Robert Noriega, Jim Spillman, Bobby Morgan, Montie Guthrie, Jean Findley, D. Carroll Holt and Mike Simmons

Santa Anna Development Executive Committee: Dean Bass, Rod Musick, Joe Ed Wise, Kim Hubbard, Eva Siller, Clint Day and Danny Kellar

Park Board: Brenda Watson, director; Betty Sue Cupps, Thelma Brooker, Bessie Hull, J. J. Hull, Bobbie Asher, Cindy Hallford,

Shirley Taylor, Helen McIver, Nell Hipp and Pat Smith.

Housing Authority Board (two-year term): Quinton Daniel, Jean Findley and Angie Hernandez

Library Board: Alice Spillman, Betty Key, Barbara Simmons and Patsy Starr

Jo Jones was asked to be the City Election Judge for the May 4 election, if the election is held. New legislation stated an election need not be held if candidates are unopposed which saves cities the expense of holding an election.

The 1996-97 budget was approved as presented.

Threat Of Wildfires Won't Leave Until Good Rain Comes Our Way

Until we get a good rain, the threat wildfires on our parched rangeland is ever present. Our County Commissioners last week joined neighboring counties in initiating an outdoor burning ban to help ward off the imminent threat brought on by such activities.

The order bans burning of combustible materials outside an enclosure which serves to contain the flames and/or sparks. A person violates the order and is subject to fines if he or she engages in any activity outdoors which allows flames or sparks that could result in a fire.

Although our immediate area has been somewhat trouble free when compared to range fires in neighboring counties, the threat is always with us until that much needed rain falls.

The Santa Anna Volunteer Fire Department was called to put out a

grass fire last Thursday just after noon at a location a few miles east of town on the railroad right of way. It was determined the fire had started from sparks from a cutting torch.

At 1:30 that same afternoon, the local firemen assisted fire departments from Coleman and McCulloch County with a fire which burned about 250 acres of pastureland at River Bend Ranch in the Whon area.

At 10 a.m. on Sunday they were called to a barn fire on the Joe Stacy place east of Trickham in Brown County. The fire rekindled in a brisk wind about 6 p.m. and the local firemen were on the job a second time.

You are asked to be especially cautious with any activity which could result in a potentially disastrous fire.

Recent Associate Memberships

Citizen Of The Year To Be Named At Chamber Banquet Saturday

The Chamber of Commerce will be holding its annual banquet Saturday, March 23, starting at 7:00 p.m. in the school cafeteria

Rick Rhodes, former Mayor of Sweetwater, presently serving as president of the Texas Mid-West Community Network, will be the speaker for the banquet. He will talk about growth and future prospects for growth in this area.

The Citizen of the Year will be named. The board of directors of the Chamber of Commerce has asked for nominations and the honoree will be selected from the list of those submitted.

A meal of roast beef and all the trimmings will be served.

Tickets are available from the Chamber of Commerce office, 801 Wallis Ave., or from various businesses. They will also be available at the door that evening.



Rick Rhodes, banquet speaker

The cost of tickets is \$6.50 for members of the Chamber of Commerce and \$7.50 for non-

members. All proceeds from the event will be used to help promote Santa Anna through the many functions of the Chamber of Commerce.

Two School Board Candidates, None For City Council

James Pelton this week joined Roddy Dean as a candidate for the Santa Anna ISD board of trustees.

The terms of Dean and Gary Absher are expiring and Absher has announced he will not seek reelection. Dean filed earlier as a candidate for his fifth term on the board.

As of Tuesday there were no City Council candidates. The terms of Karen Morris, Bobby Morgan and Robert Noriega will be expiring. None of the three has officially declared as a candidate. We were told, unofficially, on Tuesday evening that all three were planning to sign up on Wednesday, which is the last day for filing for the election to be held in May.

Revival Services Set March 24-27 At Church Of Christ

Milton Langston will be the revival speaker at services set Sunday, March 24 thru Wednesday, March 27 at the Church of Christ, 508 Ave. B. in Santa Anna. Langston currently ministers in Jal, New Mexico. He is a 1974 graduate of Sunset School of Preaching. He served eight years as a missionary in Lesotho, South Africa and eight years as minister of Bangs Church

of Christ. In the series of services in Santa Anna Langston will be preaching on the "Fundamentals for Eternity." Sunday services will include Bible class at 9:30 a.m., worship service at 10:30 a.m. and evening service at 6:00 p.m. Monday through Wednesday evening services will start at 7:00 p.m. You are invited to attend.

Santa Anna School Board Extends Teacher Contracts

The Santa Anna I.S.D. Board of Trustees met in their regular monthly session on Tuesday, March 12 in the school administration building.

Board members present were Marty Donham, Edwin Hipsher, Roddy Dean, Dickie Horner, Sharon Guthrie, Gary Absher and Barbara Simmons.

Also present were Superintendent of School Dean Bass, Elementary School Principal Lee Coffman, High School Principal Sam Huffman, Business Manager Judy Hartman and School Secretary Carole Voss.

Visitors for the meeting were Lois Harper, Sharon Cheaney, Janet Neff and Shayna Markham.

Students who have received recognition during the year were recognized. They were football players Chris Lewis, Josh Lewis, Lee Keeney, Mark Yancy, William Loyd and Clifton Blaine; volleyball players Briana Horner, Kristen Keeney, Rene Guerrero and Bertha Frausto; basketball players Chris Lewis, Tim Abernathy, Chris Cheaney, Juha Aalto, Bobby Malaer, Bertha Frausto, Briana Horner, Ami Beal, Amanda Lishka,

Kristen Keeney and Yolanda Frausto; and FFA members Randa Watts, Jennifer Johnson, Chris Boyett, Jeremy Tomme, Darby Neff, Bo Morgan, Buffy Martin, Josh Daniel, Brandon Fitzpatrick and Scott Watson.

The payment of bills for the month of March was approved by the board.

Board members cast ballots for two directors of the Region XV Education Service Center.

Henri Gilbreath was appoint as election judge with Judy Hartman as early voting clerk for the May trustee election.

Bass made the recommendation that new contract forms be used which accurately reflect changes in the law following Senate Bill 1 which was approved.

The Superintendent was authorized to sign all contracts on behalf of the Board with the exception of administrator contracts which will be signed by the Board President.

Bass provided information to the Board regarding the following:

A packet of information on new guidelines and requirements for board training.

The State Attorney General has issued changes in the law regarding the use of 15-passenger vans for transporting students. It is not legal to do so.

Elementary and junior high UIL Literary competition.

Enrollment is steady at 320 student including 14 Pre-K.

Compliments about our students from the men who conducted "Operation Lifesaver".

The Board approved the extension of one-year contracts to the following teaching staff:

Debbie Bacon, Carla Billings, Alisha Byerly, Sharon Cheaney, Roland Driggers, Ray Findley, Stephanie Ford, Dena Fortune, Lynette Fountain, Bruce Goodwin,

Cabansag Medical Center Now Open

Filemon C. Cabansag, M.D., has reopened Cabansag Medical Clinic in Santa Anna following an absence of several years. The clinic will be open for family practice and minor surgery Monday through Wednesday of each week from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. The clinic is located in the Ranger Park Inn Nursing Home facility near the business office.

Stack-Up Dinner At First Baptist Sunday, March 24

The First Baptist Church GA group will have a Mexican Stack-Up Dinner on Sunday, March 24 following church services.

Donations will be accepted toward camp for the girls.

Everyone is invited to come join the GA's for dinner.

For more information call Sandy Connelly at 348-9211.

Old Business-- New Owner

Jim Laubhan opened Art Fabrics, a screen printing company in 1972. Yvonne Kuykendall joined the company in the fall of 1989 as Jim's assistant. Most recently Jim and his wife, Janniece have been operating the business.

Kuykendall and her husband, Wayne, are purchasing the business and will be operating Art Fabrics in the near future.

Becky Greaves, Sharon Greenlee, Montie Guthrie, Sandra Guthrie, Lois Harper, Cindy Huffman, Dee Dee Hudson, Cristy Isenhower, Gail Loyd, Shayna Markham, Becky Martin, Janet Neff, Roland Nicholas, Debbie Nixon, Tom Nixon, Betty Smith, R. C. Smith, Susan Snipes, Sandra Stith, Mike Wetsel, Lois Wise and Gary York.

Well Said

If you have a song of faith in your heart, it will be heard by the look on your face.

—Allan Dykstra

to the Santa Anna Volunteer Fire Department have been received from J. Ross Kelley, Jerry Phillips, Chester and Mildred Galloway, Gertrude Martin, Novella Stearns, J. T. Avants, Circle D. Ranch, Santa Anna Independent School District and Jeannette Brock.

Santa Anna — A Town Of Friendly People Praying For Rain!!!

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Obituaries

Birthdays & Anniversaries

MARCH 21
Audra Hubbard
Marie Lancaster
Mr&Mrs Mike Pritchard*

MARCH 22
Sherry Torres
Emmitt Simmons
Kayla Cloer
Rita Keeney

MARCH 23
Chance David Horner
Bill Tucker
Mr&Mrs Glen Lawhon*
Bob Barstow
Mr. and Mrs. Carlos Torres*

MARCH 24
Joey Cheaney
Dawn Snipes
Mr&Mrs Ray Kirk*
Mr&Mrs Eddie Dillard*
Randy Long
Carlos M. Torres
Colby Lee

MARCH 25
LaDell Morris

MARCH 26
Cassie Lea Philpot
Kevin Morris
Keith Morris
Saydie Bradley

MARCH 27
Shamey Brand Foord
Sandra Ferrara

MARCH 28
Cindy Greenlee ZuZu

Santa Anna Nutrition Center Menu

FRIDAY, MARCH 22
Luncheon steak w/gravy, mashed potatoes, Rosemary Bennie's Salad and Peaches

MONDAY, MARCH 25
Texas stew, pea/cheese/mac/salad, Mexican cornbread and fruit and cookies

FRIDAY, MARCH 29
Chicken fried steak, creamed potatoes, herbed green beans and applesauce cake

Friendship consists in forgetting what one gives, and remembering what one receives.
—Alexander Dumas

Margaret Bennett Harold Wheat

MCALLEN—Margaret Bennett, 73, died at her residence on Sunday, March 10, 1996.

She was born in Harlingen, Texas and had been a public school teacher for 20 years. She was a member of the First Baptist Church of Edinburg and the Order of Eastern Star.

Survivors include her husband, Grady Bennett of McAllen; three daughters, Laura Elaine Bennett and Sylvia Bennett Miller, both of Austin and Pamela Bennett Messer of Friona and formerly of Santa Anna; four brothers, Thomas Blair of Opelousas, La., O. Carrell Blair of New Orleans, La., Joseph L. Blair of Annandale, Va., and John D. Blair of Boerne, Texas; two sisters, Nancy Burke of Midland and Mitsy Blakely of Lubbock; and three grandchildren.

Memorial contributions may be made to Hospice, P. O. Drawer 2588, Harlingen, Texas 78551; American Cancer Society, 1109 Nolana, Suite 304, McAllen, Texas 78501; and Alzheimer's Association, 919 N. Michigan Ave., Suite 1000, Chicago, Illinois 60611-1676.

Velma Copeland

Velma Irene Copeland, 86, of Coleman, formerly of Gouldbusk and Santa Anna, died Sunday evening, March 17, 1996 at Coleman Healthcare Center.

Services were held at 11 a.m. Tuesday, March 19, 1996 at Stevens Funeral Home Chapel with James Bailey officiating. Burial followed in Gouldbusk Cemetery, under the direction of Stevens Funeral Home.

She was born Aug. 10, 1909 in Gouldbusk, the daughter of the late William Allen and Linnie Priddy Allen. She grew up in the Gouldbusk area and attended school there. She was a long-time resident of Santa Anna and moved to Coleman in 1970.

On Oct. 27, 1935, she married Moody Copeland in Gouldbusk. He preceded her in death on Dec. 19, 1972. She was a homemaker and a member of Elm Street Church of Christ.

Survivors include one daughter, Jimmie Sue (Mrs. Radford) Taylor of DeSoto; one brother, Elvin Allen of Evant; one sister, Ruby Lois Futrell of Midland; two grandchildren; several nieces, nephews and cousins.

Harold Dean Wheat

Harold Dean Wheat, 77, of Gouldbusk died Sunday, March 17, 1996 in a San Angelo hospital.

Services were held at 4 p.m. Tuesday, March 19, 1996 in Stevens Funeral Home Chapel with burial in Brown Ranch Cemetery.

He was born July 6, 1918 in Coleman County and was a lifetime resident. He was a cattle buyer, stock farmer and rancher. He was a Baptist.

Survivors include two sisters, Frances Rowe of Santa Anna and Sue Richardson of San Angelo; three nieces and three nephews; six great-nephews and two great-nieces; and several cousins.

Johnnie Courtney

Johnnie L. Courtney, 67, of Santa Anna died Friday, March 15, 1996, in a local hospital.

Graveside service were held at 2 p.m. Tuesday, March 19, 1996 in Santa Anna Cemetery. Arrangements were by Stevens Funeral Home.

He was born March 21, 1928, in Cisco and had lived in Coleman since 1970. A Marine veteran, he was a retired shoe repairman and a member of the United Pentecostal Church.

Survivors include his wife; Cordie "Mary" Courtney of Santa Anna; a son, James Shankle of Lake Livingston; a daughter Doris Dykes of Coleman; two sisters, Margaret Green of Abilene and Christine Johnson of Dallas; 11 grandchildren; and several great-grandchildren.

Alene McClure

Alene McClure of Midland, died Wednesday, March 14, 1996 at her residence.

Services were held at 4 p.m. Saturday at Ellis Funeral Home Chapel with Rev. Gayle Reeves of Calvary Assembly of God officiating. Burial was in Resthaven Memorial Park in Midland.

She was born June 14, 1915 in Rannels County, Texas. She later moved to Red Bank, outside of Santa Anna.

On Sept. 22, 1934, she and Tom McClure were married at Santa Anna. The family moved to Midland in 1946.

She was a member of Calvary Assembly of God and did volunteer work with Meal-on-Wheels.

Survivors include two sons, Donald Edward McClure and Walter Daniel McClure, both of Midland; two daughters, Ruth Locklar of Midland and Wilma McClure of Little Rock, Arkansas; two brothers, Virtus Morgan of Midland and Doyle Morgan of Odessa; a sister, Dorothy Bieby of Midland; three grandchildren; one great-grandchild; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Your Junk Could Be Someone's Treasure

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Your junk could be someone's treasure. We will pick up or you can bring to 609 S. Houston, Thelma Brooker's house. We are collecting items for a garage sale to benefit the Santa Anna Nutrition Center.

The sale will be held April 20th from 8:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. at the Santa Anna Armory.

We would like to thank the entire community for their love, support, and prayers during the illness and death of our father and husband.

The Family of Joe Christie Barnes

Check It Out

A box of books came from InterLibrary Loan. Some of the best were these: **Loving Sands** by Sandy C. Keppal. A woman is forced to take a job in a house on Loving Sands Beach. There is a room in the house that promises death to anyone who opens it.

Morning Tide by Niel Gunn. A young boy in a Scottish fishing village learns 1930's values that are just as good in life today. Large Print.

The Scent of Water A young woman working in London suddenly inherits her cousin Mary's home. Can she learn to live in the country in a historic old home? Large Print.

Great Stories of the West There are 14 stories taken from **West Magazines** that began in 1926. This was written in 1971 to show variety and growth of the West.

Day of the Comancheros by S. C. Lawrence. On the day Tom Slattery found Anna Petterson, she was the only survivor of a Comancheros raid. He makes plans to conquer these terrible men.

There Must Be A Lone Ranger by Jennie Calder. A study of the real American West and the movie view of the west.

Carol Herring dropped off more paperbacks. There were four mysteries including a brand new Robin Cook and **Standoff** by Chuck Hogan. This is the story of the Montana battle between law officers and a white supremacist. This is based on the true story that made the news recently. Thanks Carol.

Mr. Lane remarked that we seem to get really new books and we do. Most of our new mysteries are court cases written by lawyers. **First Offense** by Nancy T. Rosenberg; **Compelling Evidence** by Steve Martini; **The Heart of Justice** by William J. Coughlin; **Degree of Guilt** and **Eyes of a Child** by Richard North Patterson; **The Indictment** by Barry Reed; **Until Justice Is Done**

'Round & About

Michelle Shelton of Miami, Florida has been visiting her mother Frances Malone. Michelle and Frances have visited with friends in the area including Tex and Pat Wright and Alys and Sarah Pelton.

Michael Hartman and son Travis of Snyder visited Thursday through Sunday with Michael's parents Eddie and Mary Ann Hartman.

Visiting with John and Billie Gregg for two weeks were their daughter, Darlene Pirrello of Carson, California and Patricia Hayden of Los Angeles (mother of Bridget who stars in *Guiding Light*).

Other visitors were Dennis Acosta of DeLano, California, Pat Young of Bryan, Christi Stiles of College Station, Dennis, Cylena and Trenady Stiles of Arlington, Carolyn Pricer of Crawford, Sandra Bruton of Coleman and Lucy Gregg of Snyder.

Local visitors were John and Frankie Gregg, Juanel, Amie and Michael Stiles of Coleman and Minnie Bray of Rockwood.

Brandi and James Lee Wristen and their mother Anita Beal, all of Baytown were spring break visitors last week with their grandparents, Thomas and Della Wristen.

Visitors with Pete and Winnie Rutherford during the past week were sons and families.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Rutherford, Julie and Shanna of Grape Creek visited Wednesday. They also visited with Ann's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Omer Cullins.

Saturday and Saturday night visitors were Mr. and Mrs. Don Rutherford and Holly of Deer Park and Kevin, a student at Baylor University, Waco.

I hope that everyone had a nice green St. Patrick's Day. The lighting looked promising last night, but alas again, no rain. We have a nice brisk breeze blowing today. Ladies, it is not good weather to wear full dresses. I really believe that anyone weighing less than 100 lbs. should not be out in this alone. You could use an anchor but personally, I prefer, the buddy system, hang on to a friend or loved one. Tomorrow the news person says we will have less wind. I'm not sure that I believe that. When a Texas wind decided to blow, it blows. Enough small talk, lets get down to who visited and what been happening with you.

Rockwood Club will meet Tuesday, March 26 at 2 p.m. Minnie Bray will be our hostess. She hopes that everyone is able to attend.

Coleta Pearson was back home in Rockwood from Wednesday until Sunday. I visited with her Sunday morning and she is doing a lot better. It was really good to see her. David and Jane Pearson and Jane's dad Bill Rawlins accompanied her to Rockwood. I know she reads our column and we hope you had a safe trip back to Bryan.

Arlen and Quincy Allen, Gil and Elizabeth, Justin and Jordan Gregory and Drew Allen spent the weekend with Jack and Skeeta Cooper. Mr. and Mrs. Gene Allen joined them and their guests Saturday night for supper.

Thursday Nell Brusenhan quilted with the quilting club. Friday Jr. and Nell were business visitors in

Christine McGuire; **The Advocates** by Allan M. Dershowitz and all of John Grisham's books are just a few of these lawyer books.

Two magazines that come to the library may appeal to those who keep up with the world situation. **Free China Review Magazine** March issue has discussions of the Chinese elections and the situations as they see it with Taiwan.

Korean Focus Magazine has articles about the situation in North Korea and it's effect on South Korea.

The deal made at San Angelo was not quite as good as it sounded last week. My writing fails so often, I have to admire Carol for reading it at all. The sack of hard bound books were five dollars and finally dropped to one dollar. Still a wonderful deal when we got 60 books for less than the price of one hard bound book.

Drop by on Wednesday's, the library has a new face. Mrs. Wynnell Hipp has joined Green Thumb Workers. She will be with the Santa Anna Nutrition Center 12 hours each week and 8 hours with the library. Wynnell will have an opportunity for training in both fields. We welcome her to the library. Green Thumb has provided this library with excellent personnel for about 12 years.

Santa Anna Library has lost one of their good friends. Mr. Joe Christie Barnes was always willing to lend a hand. He helped with book sales, open houses and even talked with Summer Reading boys and girls about life in the early days. Mr. Joe always had an interesting recollection and he was such a gentleman. Our sincere sympathy to his family.

A memorial was given this week in his name by B. D. and Gale Brock.

Brownwood and Saturday Mrs. Bailey Hull had lunch with them. Late Saturday afternoon they visited in Coleman with Dick and Johnnie Deal.

Tuesday Elec and Rose Cooper went to Goldthwaite to pick up three grandsons, Cory, Colt and Cade Cooper. They stopped in Brownwood and ate lunch at the Golden Corral on the way home. While they were eating Leon and Mickie McMillan came in and enjoyed a nice visit with them. David, Kly, Katie and Brandi Cooper and a friend Michael Doyle came Thursday and visited. Sunday Ronnie and Nola Cooper came to pick up the boys. Denny and Louise Densman visited Sunday morning.

Thursday Janet Barker and Blaine and Chanice visited with Hank, Darla, Hunter and Hayden Wise. Saturday evening they had dinner with Wally, Shelly and Cody Dobbins in Coleman.

Faye Wise visited with Coleta, David, Jane Pearson and Bill Rawlins Friday. Korky Wise spent Sunday night with Faye.

Blake Williams visited with Carolyn Williams and Robert and Veronica Freyer via telephone this past week. He visited with Coleta Pearson Sunday morning.

Visitors during the week with Claudia Rutherford were Faye Wise, Bob Rutherford, Jimmy Hafner, Gay Abernathy, Larry, Linda and Mark Rutherford, Jennifer Rutherford, Mr. and Mrs. Otis Switzer of Houston and Nell Yancy of Bangs.

Last week Coleman schools were out for spring break and Casey and Lauren Ray spent part of it with their great-grandfather Johnnie Steward. Mike and Jamie Ray were also in and out. Other visitors were Gene Smith, Olin and Ethel Horton and Johnnie, Susan and Rebecca Horton.

Friday William and Serena Hendryx, Patricia Greener, Judy Bryan and Frosty Robinson arrived for the weekend with Bill and Sadie Bryan. Sunday afternoon Charles Greenlee and Royce and Wanda McIver visited with them.

Mark and Tammy Alberthal of Boerne and Bill and Teena Holcomb of Lake Jackson were weekend visitors with Cecil and Pat Vance. They came to pick up Nikki Holcomb who had been visiting over spring break with her grandparents.

Willie and Irene Matthews visited with Frankie Matthews, Becky Brooks and Darlene McElrath Thursday afternoon and Michael Robinson visited Saturday afternoon.

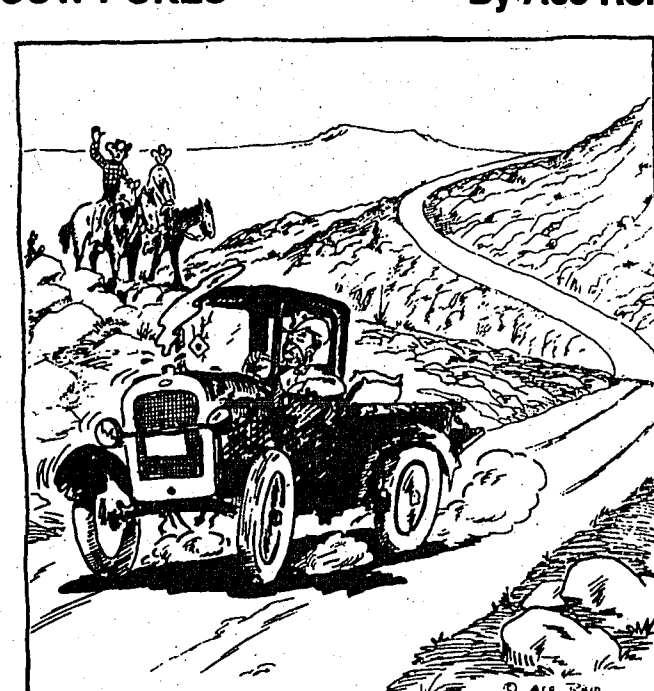
Wednesday Minnie Bray hosted Bible study for Bro. Jeff, Loma and Sara Dean, Blake Williams and Jr. and Nel' Brusenhan. Friday Minnie accompanied by Lucy Gregg attended Ag Day in Coleman. Sunday Minnie, John, Frankie and Lucy Gregg were luncheon guests of Mack and Patsy Hambricht.

Gene and Neva Smith visited with Tony Rehm over the weekend.

Bo came in Friday afternoon and we visited in the yard with Elec and Rose Cooper. Saturday night supper guests were Frances McAlister, Charlie Smith, Frankie Matthews, Becky Brooks, Michael Robinson,

Fredna Horton, Darlene McElrath and Willie and Irene Matthews. We were celebrating a belated birthday for Irene and Frances. Darlene, Becky, Frankie, Charlie and Frances stopped by Sunday.

COW POKES By Ace Reid



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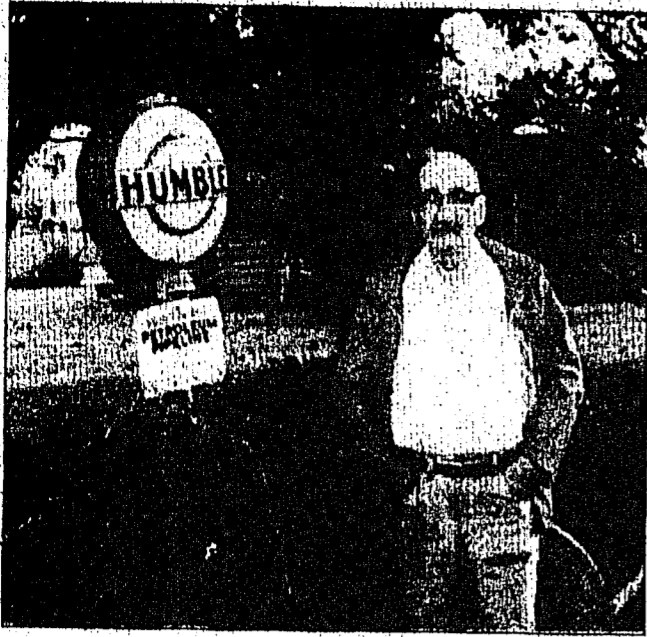
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Balke Recognized In Exxon Annuitant

R. W. Balke of Santa Anna was recognized in the Spring 1996 issue of *The Exxon Annuitant*. The article stated: "Many Exxon annuitants are proud holders of memorabilia from the company's 114 year history. Among them are R. W. Balke, who has a Humble sign in his Santa Anna, Texas yard. Humble Oil and Refining Company, the corporation's principal domestic affiliate, adopted the Exxon name in 1972."

Fire Retardant Preparation Facility Located In Abilene

The Texas Division of Emergency Operations has ordered an additional Fire Retardant Preparation Facility for location in Abilene.

The unit is self contained and will be transported by tractor trailer to Abilene from Phoenix, Arizona. It arrived in Abilene on Sunday March 4 and was fully operational by noon Monday.

Texas Forest Service personnel indicated the Abilene Preparation Facility will serve as a reloading base for air tankers serving west Texas counties due to the spotty rain occurrence over the last seventy-two hours. Current weather conditions and long range simulation models indicate fires will burn more intensely and be more difficult to control than normally occurs.

The base will shorten flying time for heavy bombers which will be dropping fire retardant on wildfires to slow them down. This will make it safer for ground crews who

attack wildfires with hand tools and tractors. This should serve to reduce time required for crews to bring the fires under control.

The aircraft, which are converted Navy reconnaissance and anti-submarine planes, will drop a mixture of liquid fertilizer and water designed specifically to slow the spread of wildfires. In addition to a fertilizer base, the retardant also has an orange dye included to make it more visible from the air. It is not harmful to humans, livestock or wildlife and will increase vegetation growth after the next rainfall.

State Senator Bill Sims (D-Paint Rock) says that establishing this facility is a temporary measure that was taken in response to the severity of fires in the west Texas area. "The tankers were having to go to Waco to reload which was inconvenient and less effective. We are really thankful for this action taken by the Division of Emergency Management and look forward experiencing some relief from these hazardous fire conditions."

Self Culture Club Program Focuses "Times Past"

Contributed
The Santa Anna Self Culture Club met on Wednesday, March 13, 1996 at 3 p.m. in the Presbyterian Church. The meeting was opened with the reading of the club collected by Carmilla Baugh.

The minutes and treasurer's report was read by Secretary Cathy Ellis.

A club trip to the Douglas McArthur Academy of Freedom in Brownwood was discussed with plans to be finalized and submitted by the program committee.

Reports were submitted by the gift committee, the U.I.L. committee, and the nominating committee.

Names submitted for club officers for 1996-97 were Gale Brock, president; Cathy Ellis, vice president; and Konjana Weaver, secretary.

Club members were encouraged to help with the library book sale to be held during Frontier Days in Santa Anna.

Following the business meeting, a program entitled "The Wisdom of Times Past" was led by Billie Gatlin. Each member in turn presented and explained the history of several antiques brought from her home. Some items were familiar to most, but others were a mystery to all but the owner. All members had a good time exploring and sharing the past together.

Refreshments of decorated cake, assorted nuts, tea and coffee were served from a table decorated in a St. Patrick's Day theme by hostesses Billie Gatlin, Novelle Boylston and Barbara Simmons.

Present for the meeting were Cam Slagle, Gale Brock, Carmilla

Baugh, Suzie Bass, Novelle Boylston, Cathy Ellis, Billie Gatlin, Betty Henderson, Alice Spillman and Konjana Weaver.

Exchange students attended Santa Anna High School will be special guests of the next meeting to be held on Wednesday, April 10 at 3 p.m.

AISE Exchange Program Searching For Host Parents

Contributed
The American Intercultural Student Exchange (AISE) program is searching for host parents for the 96 - 97 school year. The central Texas representative is Gary Absher, postmaster at Santa Anna. Mr. Absher has supervised the program for six years. The Abshers have hosted four students in their home during this time.

Students from all over the world seek an exchange student program to come to America for one school year. There are presently more than 70 programs available. When selecting a program Mr. Absher would have you check out the following qualifications:

Does the program contain an evaluation of the student from the high school principal from the student's country?

When being selected for Texas, are students screened that are able to pass the Texas exit exam (TASS)? Is the area representative required to

Coleman County Grand Jury In Session

Coleman County District Attorney Ross L. Jones presented the following cases to the Coleman County Grand Jury on Monday, March 4 and Tuesday, March 5.

The following true bills were handed down:

Denis Martin Aiken, Capital Murder;

Denis Martin Aiken, Capital Murder;

Denis Martin Aiken, Arson;

Denis Martin Aiken, Capital Murder;

Denis Martin Aiken, Capital Murder;

Denis Martin Aiken, Capital Murder;

Denis Martin Aiken and Tommy Monroe Thurman, Arson;

Denis Martin Aiken and Tommy Monroe Thurman, Capital Murder;

Denis Martin Aiken and Tommy Monroe Thurman, Capital Murder;

Denis Martin Aiken and Tommy Monroe Thurman, Capital Murder;

Tommy Monroe Thurman, Capital Murder;

Tommy Monroe Thurman, Capital Murder;

Tommy Monroe Thurman, Capital Murder;

Tommy Monroe Thurman, Arson;

Tommy Monroe Thurman, Capital Murder;

Tommy Monroe Thurman, Capital Murder;

Stephen Allen Kirkpatrick, Burglary of a Building;

Ruben Diaz, Assault;

Juan Jasso Garcia, Indecency with a Child;

Lee Busby Masters, Criminal Mischief;

Benjamin Mitchell, Jr., Felony D.W.I.;

Larry Dale Allcorn, Felony D.W.I.;

Shannan Kane Slayton, Burglary of a Building; and

Bryan Keith Morris, Burglary of a Building.

The investigation into the death of Mauricio Rendon, Jr. was reviewed. No action was taken by the Grand Jury.

The investigation into the death of Charles Streat, Jr. was also presented and a No Bill was returned by the Grand Jury.

Trickham Tidbits

By Anna York

It would be nice to say we have had a good rain, but until that time we will just move along with the dry weather and say one of these days it will rain, maybe we don't need it, right?

Janet Dunn and children and a friend Joe of Brownwood were Sunday dinner guests of her mother Natalie and Rankin McIver.

Leona Henderson visited on Wednesday afternoon with Novella Stearns and Pat Stearns of Fort Worth was a recent visitor.

Jeannie and Fred Drienhofer and Nicholas of Brownwood lake area and Merrilee McClatchy and Bob Anderson were Wednesday visitors and had dinner and supper with the ladies parents Talmadge and Laverne McClatchy, Lara Meckfessel from Howard Payne spent Sunday afternoon with them.

Mrs. Lavada Johnson of Coleman spent the past week with her daughter Earlene and John Dockery. Sunday visitors were Barbara Dockery, Traci and Austin of Eden, Michael Guthrie, Candi and Wesley Dockery and Annie Lou Vaughn.

Several friends of Wesley came in the afternoon and they were roping calves.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Dean and Windham spent the weekend at Dallas visiting their children and attended church and she attended a quilt show and enjoyed seeing old friends.

Annie Lou Vaughn visited a while on Saturday with Mrs. Gertrude Martin and the two of them visited with Betty and Felton Martin. Brandi Martin of Santa Anna visited with them Sunday afternoon.

We have some new neighbors moving into our community, they are Charles and Sandy Waincott and son Jeffery and they will be living in a trailer house on some of the Rice land close to the church. he is a truck driver and she a nurse at Brownwood. We welcome these folks to our community.

There were five ladies present to quilt on Monday at the community center and twelve present on Thursday night for the eighty-four party.

My son Nikki and I visited Tuesday afternoon with Lois and Frank Wallace in Santa Anna and on Saturday. My older son Donnie and Sherry York of Ozona visited with the two of us.

Mrs. Lavada Johnson of Coleman and her daughter Earlene Dockery visited on Tuesday with Annie Lou Vaughn. Rodney Guthrie of Bangs visited with her on Sunday afternoon.

Naiona and Brent Nicholas and Ted and a friend of Ted's Heather Richardson of Plano spent from Thursday until Sunday morning visiting with Naiona's mother Mrs. Leona Henderson. The little son of Rodney Henderson of San Angelo, Dusty spent the day Friday with his great-grandmother Leona.

Royce and Wanda McIver visited in San Angelo on Thursday with Dooyne and Wanda Lou McIver. On Saturday Royce and Wanda were at Buffalo Gap where they visited with the Britt McIver family and Sabrina Smith and family who were there from Midland. Carol Hodges and son Cody of Clyde visited on Sunday with Royce and Wanda.

J. W. and Gayla Sellers of Weatherford were overnight guests of the McIvers on Wednesday night.

We lost one family from our community recently when Rodney and Cella Guthrie and little son Mason moved to Bangs. I understand they will be closer to their work so we wish them well.

Zonell Hultz and family of Garland spent the weekend with her parents Mr. and Mrs. Joe Stacy.

What's Happening In Whon

By Mrs. Tom Rutherford

We are really in hopes everyone have enjoyed another rainless week and feeling real well this week. We are in hopes everyone has thought about it being almost time for the annual Whon Picnic. For years we have enjoyed a Whon Picnic on the first Saturday in April. We are looking forward to it at the same location. As always the meat will be prepared by men of the community with other food furnished by those attending. Don't forget and continue to wish for a pretty day.

Neil Fitzpatrick and Cathy and children from Lubbock were weekend guests with Mr. and Mrs. Don Fitzpatrick and children. Also Mr. Graham Fitzpatrick was with the family. All enjoyed a nice time together. Christi and Jamie attended Six Flags during the weekend reporting a very nice time.

We are sorry to report Mrs. Pearl Avant is a patient in the Coleman hospital at this time. We are trusting for her a speedy recovery.

Our little community is in deep sorrow with the family of Mr. Joe Christi Barnes. Joe Christi was buried in the Santa Anna Cemetery Friday afternoon. Joe Christi had

Thank You

To all my friends and supporters.....

My family and I would like to thank you from the bottom of our hearts for the overwhelming support, shown in my race for re-election as Sheriff in the March 12th Primaries.

I feel extremely fortunate to have served over the past 21 years as a peace officer in Coleman County, and I'm looking forward to continuing as YOUR SHERIFF. I won't forget that I asked you for the job, and I will make every effort possible to carry out the duties of the office, and perform as your sheriff to the best of my ability.

I also want to thank my opponent, Marvin Titsworth, for a clean race that was based on individual issues and qualifications.

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not been in real good health for a while. This dear family were members of community for several years in the past and we all loved them dearly. We wish Mrs. Barnes and the children and all members of the family years together. The children were all in homes of their own. Mr. and Mrs. Joe and Gladys Barnes moved back to Santa Anna several years past.

Mr. Joe Alvin Wynn visited with Mrs. Ethel Radle Friday or the later part of the week as he was returning to Fort Worth following being by

his mother's bedside in Brownwood hospital for several days. His mother Mrs. Lorene Wynn is a patient in Brownwood hospital.

Mrs. Ruth Poldrack was with her mother Mrs. Ethel Radle in Santa Anna Tuesday and Thursday.

Thomas and Trudi Rutherford visited briefly with me Sunday afternoon and also with Mr. and Mrs. Loyd and Linda Rutherford. They are going a long pretty well on Thomas and Trudi's house.

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News For And About Santa Anna Mountaineers



SAHS Compete In Pioneer Relays

Santa Anna High School boys and girls track teams traveled to Cross Plains on Saturday to take part in the Pioneer Relays.

Results were:

BOYS
 Team totals — 1. Rising Star 131; 2. Bryson 95; 3. Cross Plains 79; 4. Baird 49; 5. Panther Creek 42; 6. Roscoe Purple 38.
 Discus — 1. Barron, Baird, 142.94; 2. J. Kase, Lometa, 129.64; 3. M. Rice, Panther Creek, 129.24.
 Shot put — 1. McKinnery, Richland Springs, 46-6; 2. C. Barron, Baird, 45-9; 3. Ford, Bryson, 40-11.
 High jump — 1. Franklin, Rising Star, 6-4; 2. C. Cope, Panther Creek, 6-2; 3. T. Reed, Blanket, 6-0.
 Long jump — 1. Franklin, Rising Star, 20-4-1/2; 2. T. Fuel, Bryson, 19-5-1/2; 3. Corey Morris, Rising Star, 18-8.
 Triple jump — 1. Franklin, Rising Star, 39-6; 2. T. Reed, Blanket, 39-6; 3. B. Bunkick, Blanket, 36-11.
 Pole vault — 1. Salazar, Rising Star, 12-0; 2. Harris, Rising Star, 10-0.
 100 — 1. Rodriguez, Rising Star, 11:52.63; 2. Barron, Baird, 12:09.07; 3. Pounds, May, 12:21.32.
 400 relay — 1. Bryson 46:61; 2. Rising Star 46:62; 3. Roscoe Purple 48:65.
 800 — 1. Tottle, Bryson, 2:11.14; 2. Richey, Cross Plains, 2:11.60; 3. Brown, Trent, 2:13.62.
 100 hurdles — 1. Franklin, Rising Star, 16:11.2; 2. Wall, Baird, 16:54; 3. Hester, Trent, 16:55.
 100 — 1. Cope, Panther Creek, 11:63; 2. Thornburg, Bryson, 11:75; 3. Fortune, Cross Plains, 11:88.
 400 — 1. Dennis, Bryson, 54:17; 2. Nickerson, Cross Plains, 55:08; 3. B. Stover, Cross Plains, 56:67.
 300 hurdles — 1. Tomun, Roscoe, 45:50; 2. Swift, Cross Plains, 46:07; 3. Clayton, Bryson, 47:14.
 200 — 1. Perales, Rising Star, 23:55; 2. Cope, Panther Creek, 24:08; 3. O. Wood, Santa Anna, 24:09.
 1,600 — 1. Richey, Cross Plains, 5:15.11; 2. Brown, Trent, 5:18.18; 3. Carey, Cross Plains, 5:22.48.
 1,600 relay — 1. Rising Star 34:45; 2. Cross Plains 34:48; 3. Bryson 34:48.
GIRLS
 Team totals — 1. Cross Plains 120; 2. Panther Creek 83; 3. Baird 73; 4. Bryson 64; 5. Rule 46; 6. Lometa 37.
 Other boys placing were:
 Juha Aalto, 4th, 300m Hurdles and
 Chris Lewis, 4th, long jump.

Morena, Richland Springs, 1:09.85; 3. Priddy, Panther Creek, 1:10.15.
 300 hurdles — 1. Lindsey, Lometa, 53:74; 2. Cick, Bryson, 54:16; 3. Coulter, Jayton, 56:07.
 200 — 1. Ault, Lometa, 28:68; 2. Watson, Bryson, 28:69.
 3. Kerbow, Baird, 29:46.
 1,600 — 1. Hatchett, Baird, 6:30.63; 2. Thompson, Panther Creek, 6:32.70; 3. LaFevre, Rule, 6:50.45.
 1,600 relay — 1. Cross Plains 4:34.15; 2. Panther Creek 4:39.24; 3. Bryson 4:48.58.

Other girls placing were:
 Delisa Nicholas, 6th, 1600 run (7:11);
 Brandi Martin, 4th, 200m run (29.4); and
 Amanda Lishka, 4th, shot put, (31'1").

Brandi Martin has the fastest time in the 100m hurdles during prelims with a time of 17.7 but was unable to run in final competition due to a starting competition.

The team will travel to Menard on Saturday.

Beal-Horner Take Fourth In Local Tournament

Ami Beal and Briana Horner placed fourth in the Santa Anna Invitational Tournament held last weekend.

Final results are:

BOYS
 Singles
 Championship — Jay Smith, Jim Ned, def. A. Rutledge, Baird, 6-3, 6-1.
 Third place — Dee Burges, Grace Christian of Mason, def. H. Balderas, Paint Rock, 6-4, 6-3.
 Doubles
 Championship — Suttle-Henderson, Junction, def. Brown-Ducy, Jim Ned, 6-2, 6-1.
 Third place — Kerbow-Gomez, Baird, def. Brame-Hopkins, Cross Plains, 6-5.
GIRLS
 Singles
 Championship — C. Mayfield, Hico, def. J. Mobley, Junction, 6-4, 6-3.
 Third place — S. Hutton, Cross Plains, def. Zink, Bangs, 6-5.
 Doubles
 Championship — Gernin-Bates, Grace Christian, def. Bishop-Scantling, Bangs, 6-3, 2-6, 7-6.
 Third place — Bukis-Dichert, Junction, def. Beal-Horner, Santa Anna, 9-7.



Santa Anna Junior High U.L. Winners

Several students from Santa Anna Junior High participated in the recently District Meet held at Santa Anna. Winners pictured above are back row, Latashua Lewis, 1st 7th grade number sense and 1st 7th grade modern oratory; Samantha Ramirez, 1st 8th grade maps, charts and graphs, 2nd 8th grade earth science, and 5th 8th grade number sense; Konnie Weaver, 4th 7th grade oral reading; Erika Tijerina, 2nd 8th grade spelling, 1st 8th grade modern oratory, and 2nd 8th grade impromptu; and Jesse Castillo, 2nd 8th grade maps, charts and graphs, 3rd 8th grade earth science, and 3rd 8th grade number sense; and front row, Stuart Gibson, 1st 8th grade earth science, and 6th 8th grade number sense; Chrystal Pelton, 1st 7th grade life science; and 5th 7th grade impromptu; Jessica Powell, 2nd 7th grade life science, 3rd 7th grade dictionary, 4th 7th grade number sense, and 3rd 7th grade impromptu; Jaci Kuykendall, 2nd 7th grade life science, 5th 7th grade dictionary, 2nd 7th grade number sense, and 2nd 7th grade impromptu; and Austin Voss, 6th 7th grade listening.

Second Graders Write About Leprechauns

The second grade class of Dena Fortune has been studying Leprechauns during the month of March in connection with the observance of St. Patrick's Day.

The following are the students writing about if they caught one of the little green men:

If I caught a leprechaun, I would ask for two wishes. The first wish is for 1,000,000 dollars. I would buy a house. The second wish is for a new car for my mother. She needs one really bad.
 Jessica Pelton

If I caught a leprechaun, I would ask for two wishes. First I wish I could fly. I would fly because I could catch clouds. Next I would wish for 10 million dollars. I would buy a jacuzzi.
 Marty Rodriguez

If I caught a leprechaun, I would ask for two wishes. The first wish is to have a million dollars. A million dollars would buy two cars. The second wish is to have a bunch of clothes. A bunch of clothes would be good.
 Zane Fikes

If I caught a leprechaun, I would ask for two wishes. First, I would wish for a flying unicorn. We would fly to a new world. Next, I would wish for two trillion dollars. I would buy a swimming pool.
 Raelee Watson

If I caught a leprechaun, I would ask for two wishes. One wish is that school would be out. We have been in school too long. The second wish is that I could have a trillion dollars. We could go to Disney World.
 Rainey Bacon

If I caught a leprechaun, I would

ask for two wishes. The first wish is to have a trillion dollars. I would buy a limousine. Next I would wish for a convertible. I would drive around and whistle at boys.
 Daisy Bolts

If I caught a leprechaun, I would ask for two wishes. First, I would wish for a billion dollars. I would be the richest boy. Next, I would play for the Dallas Cowboys. I would like to tackle people.
 Rudy Enriquez

If I caught a leprechaun, I would ask for two wishes. First, I would like a swimming pool because I like to swim. Second, I would like 1,000,000 dollars. Then I could buy a Lamborghini.
 Robby Hale

If I caught a leprechaun, I would ask for two wishes. First, I would like a trillion dollars. I could buy a car and a house. Second, I would like a swimming pool. I could go swimming every day.
 Vanessa Hull

If I caught a leprechaun, I would ask for two wishes. First, I would wish for a horse. A horse is my favorite animal. Then, I would wish for a swimming pool. A swimming pool is my favorite thing.
 Bianca Torres

If I caught a leprechaun, I would ask for two wishes. First, I would wish for all the money in the world. I would two cars and alot of clothes. Then I would wish to play for the 49ers. We would cream the Dallas Cowboys.
 Gregory Strength

If I caught a leprechaun, I would

Kindergarten, Pre-K Registration To Be Held April 8-12

A roundup and visitation are scheduled for students entering Kindergarten and Pre-K in the fall of 1996.

Visitation will take place on April 9 from 9-11 a.m. at the Santa Anna Elementary School. For those unable to attend, registration will be taking place from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the elementary school office the week of April 8-12.

This is an important round-up as it is used to determine the number of children expected to begin school in the fall.

A child five years of age before September 1 will enroll in kindergarten and for those who are four years of age before September 1, enrollment will be in Pre-Kindergarten.

When registering the child for school, parents are asked to bring the child's birth certificate, shot record and social security card.

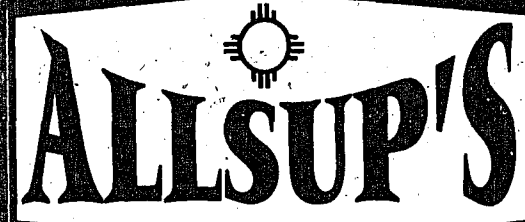
If a child is currently enrolled in the Pre-K program, it will not be necessary to be present for enrollment in kindergarten.

For more information call the elementary school at 348-3138.

ask for two wishes. First, I would wish for all of the gold in the world. I would spend it all. Second, I would wish to be back in baseball. I really miss playing baseball.
 William Lavolette

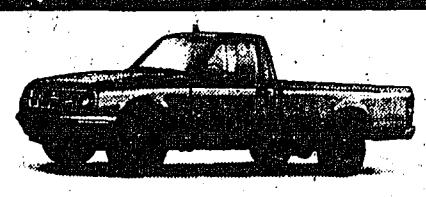
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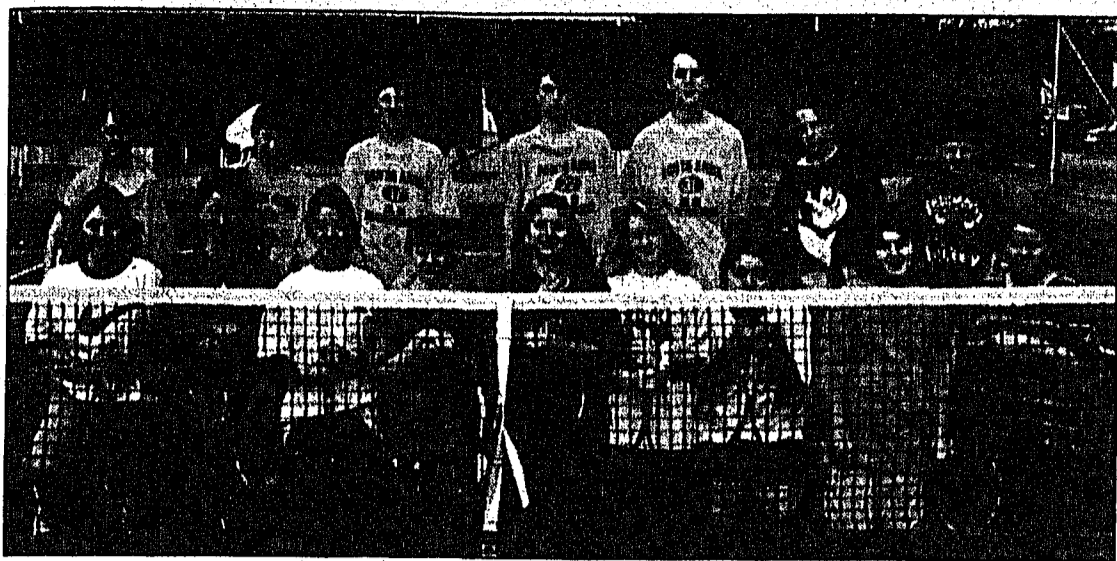
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News For And About Santa Anna Mountaineers

Cleveland Chats

By Clara Cupps



Santa Anna Junior High Tennis Team

The Santa Anna Junior High tennis team is coached by Bruce Goodwin. Team members are left to right, back row, Austin Voss, Bryant Daniels, Gary Geeslin, Edgar Mullins, John Smiley, David Gilbreath and Bennie Bible, and front row, Maegan Lishka, Mandy Hale, Konnie Weaver, Jaci Kuykendall, Samantha Ramirez, Buffy Martin, Olivia Frausto, Lisa Watson and Johnnie Spiers.

Photo by Carol Herring

Santa Anna Junior High Track Team Compete In Pioneer Relays

The Santa Anna Junior High boys and girls track team traveled to Cross Plains on Saturday to take part in the Pioneer Relays.

Results were:
Girls:
 Tasha Lewis, 2nd place shot put 26' 3", 3rd place long jump 13' 1", 1st place 100 m run 13.55;
 Erika Tijerina, 6th place 2400m run 11:45.33, 6th place 1600m run 6:27.11;
 Konnie Weaver, 4th place 800m run 3:00.40;
 Abriauna Collins, 2nd place 100m run 13.61, 1st place 200m run 30.22;
 Elena Balderas, 4th place 200m run 31.81;
 400m relay (Pelton, Lewis, Baldera, Collins) 1st place 56.22;
 1600 m relay (Pelton, Balderas, Weaver and Lewis), 3rd place 4:56.27.
 Team results: 1st Roscoe 138-1/2; 2nd Cross Plains 136; 3rd Santa Anna 83.
Boys:
 Boone Cook, 1st 100 dash, 5th long jump;
 Brent Beal, 1st 110m hurdles, 3rd long jump, 5th triple jump;
 Edgar Mullins, 2nd 110m hurdles, 4th triple jump;
 Dustin Maedgin, 6th shot put; 400m relay (Cook, Beal, Mullins and Maedgin) 2nd.
 The next meet will be held Thursday, March 21 beginning at 3:30 p.m. in Panther Creek.



School Menu

Choice of dry cereal, graham crackers, fruit or fruit juice, whole white, lowfat white and lowfat chocolate milk offered daily

MONDAY, MARCH 25
 Breakfast: Donuts, fruit and milk
 Lunch: Frito pie w/cheese, pinto beans, lettuce and tomatoes, chilled fruit, orange or apple juice, cornbread, milk, peppers and picante sauce

TUESDAY, MARCH 26
 Breakfast: Biscuits, orange juice or fruit, milk, sausage gravy and jelly
 Lunch: Salisbury steak, english peas, chilled fruit, orange or apple juice, hot rolls, milk, steamed rice and brown gravy

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 27
 Breakfast: Pancakes, sausage, fruit, milk and syrup
 Lunch: Burritos w/chili and cheese, whole kernel corn, chilled fruit, orange or apple juice, milk, fruit cobbler and picante sauce

THURSDAY, MARCH 28
 Breakfast: Creamy rice, toast, fruit, milk and jelly
 Lunch: Cheeseburger or hamburger, burger salad, oven fries, orange or apple juice, milk, cookie, catsup and mustard or mayo

Turfgrass \$6 Billion Business In Texas

HOUSTON - The Texas turfgrass industry is flourishing - adding more than \$6 billion to the state's economy, according to a recent study at Texas A&M University.

The study, under the guidance of Dr. Curtis Lard, agricultural economist for the Texas Agricultural Experiment Station, and Dr. Charles Hall, agricultural economist with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, surveyed more than 900 turfgrass managers to come up with their conclusions.

They found that \$4.13 billion was spent by the respondents in 1993 to maintain turfgrass in the state. Adding other factors, including expenses for state highway roadside maintenance, sod producers and unpaid family labor, brought the total expenditures to more than \$6 billion.

Turfgrass area - which includes any grass that is mowed and maintained totals about 3.5 million acres, about 2 percent of the land within the boundaries of the state. That doesn't include the 1.9 million acres maintained along Texas' highways and the 22,000 acres grown by sod producers. Turfgrass is not only important economically but environmentally, providing extra protection against soil erosion he said.

Nutrition Center Giving Away Afghan

Santa Anna Nutrition Center is selling raffle tickets for an afghan made by Carmen Donham. Proceeds from the raffle will benefit the local center. To purchase tickets contact Thelma Beloit 348-3642; Nell Hipp 348-3252; Thelma Brooker 348-3294; Betty Cupps 348-3473 or Karen Morris 348-3645.

The drawing will be held Funter Day, May 4, at the Nutrition Center booth.

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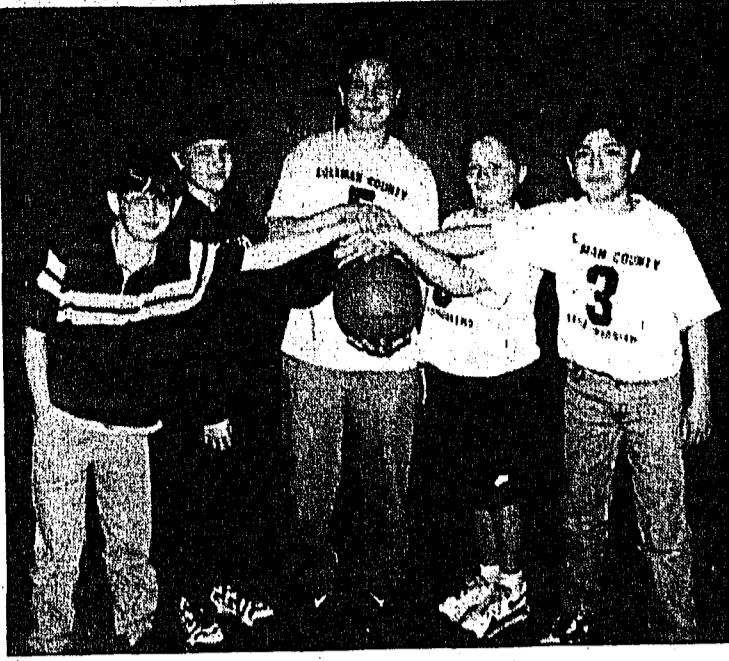
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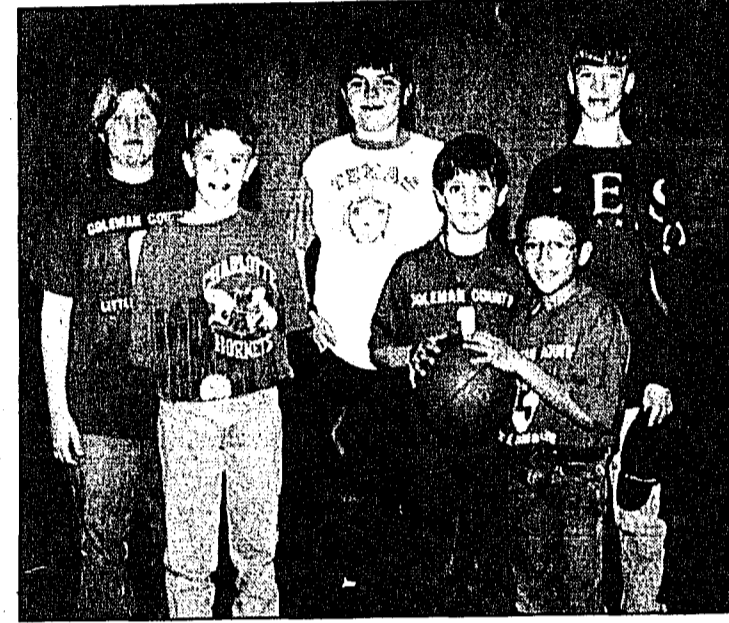
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Little Dribblers grey team was coached by Chris Simmons. Team members pictured above are Willie Gilbreath, Tristan Tomme, Brandon Beloat, Erwin Loyd and Lupe Frausto. Not pictured is Shyler Farley. News staff photo



Member of the Little Dribblers purple team are Stephen Donham, Bo Morgan, Jacob Pritchard, Seth Salazar, Kevin Silva and Clay Hubbard. The team was coached by J. R. Salazar. News staff photo



The Little Dribblers turquoise team included team members Thomas Hopson, Gary Hale, Israel Longoria, Bobby Hull and Nathan Nicholas. Not pictured was Chris Kershner. The boys were coached by Roland Nicholas. News staff photo

State Capital



HIGHLIGHTS

By Lyndell Williams & Ed Sterling
TEXAS PRESS ASSOCIATION

AUSTIN — Gov. George W. Bush is held in high esteem by Texans, according to new ratings in a Texas Poll telephone survey conducted Feb. 21 to March 1.

Bush's job-approval rating of 70 percent is the highest received by a Texas governor in the last 10 years. The survey was conducted for Harte-Hanks Communications by the Office of Survey Research at the University of Texas.

"Gov. Bush is flattered that the people of Texas think he is doing a good job," said the governor's press secretary, Karen Hughes.

Hughes said Texans seem to appreciate Bush's ability to work with the Legislature and his willingness to share credit with Democratic leaders, Lt. Gov. Bob Bullock, who presides over the state Senate and House Speaker Pete Laney.

Bush's approval rating eclipses that of his recent predecessors: Ann Richards peaked at 60 percent in spring 1994; Bill Clements managed a 36 percent mark after taking office in 1987; and Mark White's highwater mark was 42 percent in the winter of 1986.

Poll respondents over age 60 gave Bush the highest marks of any age group. The breakdown by party affiliation was as follows: 88 percent favored Bush's job performance; independents, 66 percent;

and Democrats, 63 percent.

The poll also showed that Republican U.S. Sens. Phil Gramm and Kay Bailey Hutchison both have improved their job approval ratings from 53 percent each last summer to 57 percent for both officials today.

Topping the list as the most important problem in the state was crime, indicated 21 percent of the respondents.

Moses to Stop Granting Waivers

No more skipping final exams because of good grades.

Texas Education Commissioner Mike Moses said that next year he would no longer approve funding for students who have been exempted from taking finals because they have good grades.

More than 582 Texas public school districts have waivers from the commissioner that let them collect funding for those students on days they are absent during finals. Schools receive about \$25 a day per student.

"The state has been paying for days when students were not present. I don't feel comfortable with that. I don't believe I have the authority to do that, and besides, I have a philosophical problem with

students' not taking final exams," Moses told the *Dallas Morning News*.

When students go to a university, they may find themselves unprepared to take required final exams, Moses said.

Gun Permit Report Issued

The Department of Public Safety reports 26,588 concealed handgun permit had been issued from Jan. 1 to March 6.

As of March 3, a DPS report said, white males had been issued 19,313 of 23,615 permits issued, and white and Hispanic males and females — grouped together — had been issued 22,662 permits. As of March 3, blacks held 438 permits and 397 of those were issued to males. Of the grand total, women

held 3,444 of the permits. For the first time, the DPS released information on rejected applications for permits to carry. As of March 6, only 16 applications had been rejected.

In February, a Grand Prairie man became the first permit holder to be charged with using his gun illegally in the shooting death of a Dallas man.

By March 6, the DPS reported, 59,291 completed applications had been received.

Other Capital Highlights

For the first time in history, Texas' Republican Primary on March 12 outdrew the Democratic Primary. Political observers say the presidential nomination battle, plus the unusually large number of contested local races on the Republican Primary ballot, attracted conservative Democrats to the GOP Primary.

State Comptroller John Sharp has negotiated an arrangement to allow welfare recipients who use

the state's Lone Star Card to do their grocery shopping in other states' border towns. Sharp said agreements had been signed with New Mexico, Oklahoma, Arkansas and Louisiana to permit grocery stores to opt into the Lone Star card program.

Gov. Bush has designated James Francis Jr. of Dallas to replace Robert Holt as chairman of the Public Safety Commission. Holt will remain on the commission, which Francis joined on March 29, 1995. Francis, a partner in an oil and gas company, served as a special assistant to former Gov. Bill Clements.

Donald R. Haragan has been appointed interim president of Texas Tech University and Texas Tech Health Sciences Center. Haragan, who currently serves as executive vice president and provost of Texas Tech, will serve until a permanent successor to Robert W. Lawless is appointed. Lawless has accepted the presidency of the University of Tulsa.

I can see how it might be possible for a man to look down upon the earth and be an atheist, but I cannot conceive how he could look up to the heavens and say there is no God. —Abraham Lincoln

Business Review

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Peddler's

This is definitely the time of year for you to pay a visit to PEDDLER'S located in Heartland Mall at Early. Always THE PLACE to shop for crafts, antiques, collectables and gifts, Peddler's is now offering special Easter items for giving and for home decorating. You can find plush and ceramic handcrafted bunnies and ducks to please all ages, colorful baskets for filling or for decorating your home. Known as the largest gift store in this area, PEDDLER'S is the place to look for that special gift. PEDDLER'S is also well stocked with floral arrangements and wreaths for every occasion and decorating need. You will want to check out the wood and ceramic crafts, decorated tee-shirts, denim fashions and a multitude of other interesting and varied items supplied from crafters throughout the area and state. There is something there to suit every taste in country decorating and giving. Owners Bill and Billie Dickerson say if you can't find it here, you can't find it anywhere! PEDDLER'S is open 10 a.m. - 9 p.m., seven days a week.

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Fishing Lake Ivie

By Durwood Strickland
Richard Fitzwater of Parsons, Kansas, fishing at Lake Ivie on March 2, caught, with his first cast, a new lake record largemouth bass weighing in at 10.82 pounds.

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