

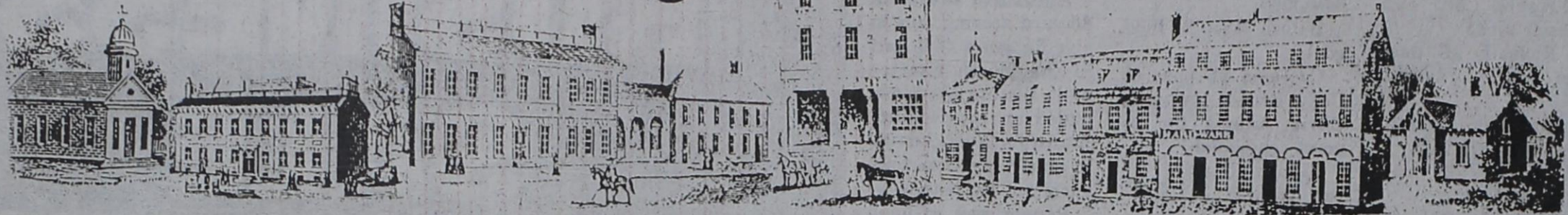
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Thursday, September 23, 1999

Baird ISD Board Minutes

September 20, 1999
The Baird Independent School District Board of Education met in Regular Session on September 20, 1999 with the following members present: Butch Barron, Byron Hatchett, Terry Hunter, Tony Robinson, Miller Scott, Allen Wilson, and Tom Windham. Other school personnel present: Supt. Lacy Hogue, Lana Walls, Cheryl Roach, Larry Riney, Sandra Carter and Pam Cummings. Others present: Billy Harris.

The meeting was called to order by Miller Scott at 7:30 p.m.

Invocation was given by Allen Wilson.

Superintendent, Lacy Hogue reported attendance at 431. He also reported the Elementary School had perfect attendance last Friday, Sept. 17, 1999 for the first time in a rather long time. Supt. Lacy Hogue discussed the letter from Schwartz & Eichelbau concerning Employee Conduct Outside of School.

Tony Robinson asked that the Extra Curricular Activity Absence Policy be put back on the agenda for the October board meeting.

A motion was made by Terry Hunter and seconded by Byron Hatchett to approve the minutes from the Aug. 17, 1999 board meeting with the change of the tax hearing meeting from Sept. 13 to Sept. 27, 1999 at 7 p.m. Vote was 6 for. One abstained, Tony Robinson.

A motion was made by Butch Barron and seconded by Terry Hunter to approve the minutes of Aug. 31, 1999. Vote was unanimous.

A motion was made by Terry Hunter and seconded by Butch Barron to approve accounts payable. Vote was unanimous. Abstentions - Ck #017664 and 017660 by Butch Barron.

A motion was made by Terry Hunter and seconded by Tony Robinson to set the tax hearing and tax rate meeting for September 27, 1999 at 7:00 and 7:30 p.m. Vote was unanimous.

A motion was made by Terry Hunter and seconded by Tony Robinson to approve the Early Dismissal Dates for 1999-2000 as presented. Vote was unanimous.

A motion was made by Tony Robinson and seconded by Tom Windham to adjourn to closed session at 8:14 p.m. Vote was unanimous.

A motion was made by Allen Wilson and seconded by Byron Hatchett to adjourn from closed session at 8:45 p.m. Vote was unanimous.

A motion was made by Byron Hatchett and seconded by Tom Windham to accept the substitute teacher list for 1999-2000 as submitted. Vote was 6 for. Terry Hunter abstained.

Item G as listed on Board Agenda-Salary for employees that have extra duties. No action was taken. Supt. Lacy Hogue will bring an additional duty salary schedule for next year.

The next board meeting was set for October 18, 1999 at 7:30 p.m.

A motion was made by Terry Hunter and seconded by Allen Wilson to adjourn at 8:51 p.m. Vote was unanimous.

Ticket Sales To Benefit Graduates

Tickets benefiting the Baird Project Graduation 2000 are now on sale. The winner will receive their choice of either a brand new 2000 Dodge Ram Truck or \$15,000 cash.

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Letters

We are looking for the obituary of James Melton Hembree who died about 1910-1920 in Callahan County. He was born 1846 in Georgia. His wife was Caroline and child, Eunice.

Thank you
Eleanor Hembree
1330 W. 6th
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Get Tickets For Oct. 7 Chamber Banquet

Tickets are on sale for the Baird Chamber of Commerce Awards Banquet scheduled Thursday, October 7th at Baird School Cafeteria.

The recipient of the Howard Farmer

Outstanding Citizen Award will be honored following the Mexican dinner and entertainment. Tickets, priced at \$10 each, are available at the Chamber of Commerce or from board members.

Annual Farm Bureau Convention Here Oct. 2

The Callahan-Shackelford County Farm Bureau annual meeting will be held, Saturday, Oct. 2, beginning at 6:30 p.m. at the Baird School Cafeteria in Baird, according to David Williams, county president.

A barbecue meal will be served. Farm Bureau members and their immediate families will be served at no charge, but guests will be charged \$6.50 per person.

There will be a dessert contest this year, and drawing for

door prizes.

Guest speaker will be Ned Meister, Texas Farm Bureau Commodity and Regulatory Activities Director.

The main purpose of this annual meeting is to adopt policies for the coming year. Also, new directors will be elected at this time, as will voting delegates to represent our county at the state convention to be held in Corpus Christi, Nov. 27-Dec. 1.

Please call office at 915-854-1044 for reservations.

Commercial Steer Show Sign-ups Due By Oct. 1

The Callahan County Commercial Steer Show is getting ready to get kicked off for the second year. Entries are currently being taken for those interested in participating. Entrants must be 8 years of age or in the 2nd grade and be a 4-H or FFA member who is regularly enrolled in public or private school in Callahan County. Each exhibitor will put one steer on feed for this project. The objective is to encourage youth to gain practical experience in feeding commercial beef cattle. This program will

stress the importance of proper animal husbandry and financial management. This contest has been designed to closely resemble the Houston Livestock Show's Commercial Steer Show in order to familiarize youth with the process without having to participate in Houston.

The contest has several parts in which the youth and fed steers are judged. These include an in-depth recordbook of expenses, an oral interview with a panel of judges, written exam covering skills learned during project, steer points awarded for quality grade and yield grade of steer, cost per pound of gain, average daily gain and feed conversion. Prize money will be awarded to the top five places. This project will give hands-on learning opportunities to youth on an array of commercial steer feeding topics. The goal is to expand the project and expose youth to beef carcass evaluation and grading. The project will last from late October 1999 to the beginning of April 2000. This will make for a feeding program of approximately 150 days.

Those youth that are interested need to sign-up by October 1. To sign-up or if you want more information contact the County Extension Office at (915) 854-1518.

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Bears Defeat Hawley 35-6

The Baird Bears defeated the Hawley Bearcats Friday night by a score of 35-6.

In the first quarter Lee Harle of Baird passed left to Jack Pruet complete for an 11 yd. touchdown. Kick by Logan Russell was good.

In the second quarter Lee Harle ran left for an 11 yard touchdown. Kick by Logan Russell was good. Lee Harle ran left for a 38 yard touchdown. Kick by Logan Russell was good. Score at end of 2nd quarter was Baird

14, Hawley 0.

In the third quarter Lee Harle passed right to Logan Russell complete for a 55 yard touchdown. Kick by Logan Russell was good.

Brandon Bertleson of Hawley ran left for a 13 yard touchdown. Kick by Jesse Nieto no attempt. Kick by Jesse Nieto was blocked.

Lee Harle of Baird ran down the middle for a 22 yard touchdown. Kick by Logan Russell was good.

Final score Baird 35, Hawley 6.

Grapecreek To Play Bowie Here September 24, 8p.m.

Grapecreek vs. Bowie at Baird 8 p.m.

Baird is halfway between the two schools. Last year they played in Clyde. This year Clyde is playing at

home.

Baird ISD failed to bid to host the game and Rick Joy, BISS Maintenance Director is in charge of the facilities Friday night.

Baird Jr. High Cross Country Teams Place At Cross Plains

The Baird Junior High Cross Country teams competed at Cross Plains on Saturday, September 18, 1999. Following are the results:

7th grade girls- 101 entries
*Mist... 4th 6:46
*Lea Sweeney- 5th 6:50
BreAnna Tollett- 14th 7:05
Kelsie West- 28th 7:20
Jodi Neal- 29th 7:21
Whitney Windham- 64th 7:54

Team results
1st Breckenridge 42 points
2nd Early 44 points
3rd Baird 80 points
8th grade girls 86 entries
Traci Windham- 11th 6:31
Belinda Harris- 20th 6:41
Shayne Cerda- 33rd 6:58
Gini Russell 34th 7:00
Britneay Brewer- 44th 7:13
Holly Moore- 48th 7:17

Joyce Mathis will be in the Star office Mondays and Tuesdays 9 a.m. - 3 p.m.

6th Ranked Bears Declaw Bearcats

By Mo Gonzales
The Baird Bears traveled to Hawley Friday night for their first road game of the season. With this sound 35-6 win, the Bears were able to prove they are worthy of their #6 state ranking, even after a somewhat slow start.

Baird's strong defensive line of tackles Jason Gomez, Junior Gomez, Franklin Gomez and ends Clay Smith and Bucky Rivera, aided by linebacker Mike Rudder, kept Hawley from crossing midfield in the 1st half, while the Bears built a solid 21-0 lead.

The scoring began with an 11-yd. pass from Lee Harle to Jack Pruet. P.A.T. by Russell was good. 4:39 remained in the 1st quarter; 7-0 Baird.

The Bears struck again in the 2nd quarter, beginning with a QB draw and 11-yd. run by Harle for the second score. 6:38 on the clock, P.A.T. good. 14-0 Baird. Another QB draw and 38-yd. run by Harle brought the third score of the night. P.A.T. by Russell was good. 21-0 Baird. These two scoring plays worked to perfection thanks to great blocking by the offensive line of J.J. Carrillo, Ty Wilson, Coleman Vestal, Dustin Watson, and Jonathan Parr, and the fine downfield blocking by Logan Russell, Jeremy Gonzales, and Kyle Hogue. The last play of the 1st half was a Lee Harle to Josh Curtis pass, but the ball was caught just out of the end zone. The half ended with Baird in the lead 21-0.

The Bears took the 2nd half kick-off and wasted no time in getting to the endzone, as Harle connected with Russell on a short pass. The play covered 55 yards, with Russell outracing the Bearcats for the score. P.A.T. was good. With only 1:40 gone in the 3rd quarter, the score was 28-0.

The Bears had a small breakdown on defense at the 8:30 mark of the 3rd quarter. Hawley took advantage of it, and the Bearcat running back Bertleson scored on a 22-yd run. P.A.T. was blocked. 28-6 Baird.

Baird answered back with 4:34 left in the 3rd. Harle again scampered up the middle on a 22-yd. run of his own. P.A.T. was good. The score was 35-6 Baird. Quarterback Todd Vestal and running backs Curtis Lewis and Bucky Rivera got some good playing time as the 4th quarter began, but the score stood.

The kicking game proved to be a major factor in keeping Hawley in their own end of the field. Deep kick-offs by Justin Rivera and excellent special teams play by Ronnie Rivers, Brandon Franks, Bucky Rivera, Derek Floyd, and Mike Rudder put the Bearcats at a disadvantage.

Baird had 485 total yds. 333 rushing; 152 passing
Hawley had 126 total yds 88 rushing; 38 passing
Robert Mendez will be out for at least the next several games, due to a concussion. We wish him a speedy recovery.

This was a great all-around game for the Bears, who will travel to Throckmorton for Friday's game. Let's follow and support these young men as they do a fine job representing our town and school. Go Bears!

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Bears Only County Football Winner Fri.

The Baird Bears brought home a mighty win Friday soundly defeating Hawley, 35-6.

Clyde lost to Bangs, 43-17; and Cross Plains lost to Ranger, 21-7.

Baird 35, Hawley 6
Baird quarterback Lee Harle had a hand in all five touchdowns as the undefeated Bears clawed Hawley's Bearcats, 35-6 here Friday.

Harle rushed 12 times for 119 yards and three touchdowns, and completed seven passes for 137 yards and two TDs.

Harle's scoring runs covered 11, 38 and 22 yards. His scoring passes covered 11 yards to Jack Pruet and 55 yards to Logan Russell, who also booted all five PAT's.

Mike Rudder led the Bears defense with 16 tackles.

Hawley's lone score came on a 19-yard run by Brandon Bertleson, who wound up with 46 tough yards on 18 carries.

Hawley is 1-2, while Baird goes to 3-0.

Baird 7 14 14 0-35
Hawley 0 0 6 0-6
Scoring Summary
B-Jack Pruet, 11 pass

from Lee Harle (Logan Russell kick)

B-Harle, 11 run (Russell kick)

B-Harle, 38 run (Russell kick)

B-Russell, 55 pass from Harle (Russell kick)

H-Brandon Bertleson, 19 run (kick failed)

B-Harle, 22 run (Russell kick)

Baird Hawley
First downs 23 6

Rushes-yds 58-333 29-88

Passing-yds 152-38 Comp-Att-Int 8-21-0

2-9-1 Punts 1-31 7-39.6

Fumbles-lost 3-1 1-1 Penalties-yds 9-57 2-0

Bangs 43, Clyde 17

Bangs overcame a less than perfect first half to keep its undefeated record Friday, defeating Clyde 43-17.

Clyde led 11-3 at the half before Bangs registered 20 points in the final two quarters.

A trio of running backs led Bangs. Toby Conner had 176 yards and one touchdown, Caleb Mellette had 92 yards and two touchdowns and Beau Welch added 81 yards and a touchdown.

Penalties and funda-

mental mistakes slowed Bangs in the first half.

Bangs is 3-0 and Clyde is 2-1.

Clyde 38 0 6-17

Bangs 0 3 20 0-43

Scoring Summary
C-Grady Watts 35

field goal

B-Josh Wood 25 field goal

C-Watts 25 pass to Cody Brown (Watts to Chris Adams for 2-point conversion)

B-Toby Conner 17 run (conversion fails)

B-Ryan Knickerbocker 4 yard pass Wood (Conner rush for 2-point conversion)

B-Caleb Mellette 1 run (conversion fails)

B-Beau Welch 20 run (Wood kick)

B-Knickerbocker 6 run (Wood kick)

C-Jimmy Estrella 1 run (conversion fails)

B-Mellette 49 run (kick fails)

Clyde Bangs
First downs 10 19

Rushes-yds 35-64 49-363

Passing-yds 115 17 Comp-Att-Int 7-21-1

2-8-0 Punts 5-29 3-15

Fumbles-lost 2-2 0-0 Penalties-yds 9-90

10-70 Ranger 21, Cross Plains 7

Sunny Ainsworth accounted for every yard of offense for Ranger in a 21-7 victory over

Cross Plains Friday.

Ainsworth gave Ranger a 7-lead with a 70-yard touchdown run in the first quarter.

Chris Kitchens scored on an 84-yard run to tie the game in the third quarter.

Ainsworth broke an 80-yard scoring run to give Ranger a 14-7 lead in the fourth quarter

and Victor Martinez added an interception return for a touchdown to give Ranger its first victory of the season.

Ranger won without registering a single passing yard. Ainsworth had 209 yards on the ground.

Cross Plains 0 0 7 0-7

Ranger 7 0 0 14-21

Scoring Summary
R-Sunny Ainsworth

70 run (Ruben Zarate kick)

C-Chris Kitchens 84 run (Coby Richards kick)

R-Ainsworth 80 run (Zarate kick)

R-Victor Martinez 24 interception return (Zarate kick)

Cross Plains
Ranger

First downs 10 3

Rushes-yds 44-143 21-198

Passing yds 130 0 Comp-Att-Int 6-16-1

0-4-1 Punts 6-34 6-42

Fumbles lost 0-0 2-1 Penalties-yds 6-55 6-59

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Moran News

By Mrs. Luke Huskey

Remember the meeting of the Moran Clean and Proud pot luck supper on Tuesday night, Sept. 28 at the Moran Community Center at 6 p.m. Come and help make plans to make and keep Moran Clean and Proud.

Elma May Huskey

spent the weekend in Fort Worth and Burleson with her nephews Bill, James R. and Foy Dunaway and their families.

Moran and community is enjoying some beautiful soon to be fall weather, with cool mornings, but no rain

has fallen, but would be very much welcomed, as the weeds and grass is getting dry and brittle, due to the lack of moisture.

The home of the late Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Harper burned Saturday evening. The property has been purchased by Mr. and Mrs. Haedie. No cause of the fire is known at this time. Due to the extremely dry weather conditions, people are asked to be careful with outside burning.

By Charlie Stenholm
This week the House Agriculture Committee held two days of hearings regarding the current farm financial crisis. A wide range of producer groups offered testimony about the steps they believe need to be taken to provide relief to America's farmers and ranchers. In 1998, Congress provided almost \$6 billion in assistance to farmers. This year, Congress is considering a package of over \$7 billion. It is still not clear what the final figure will be. Whatever

Ag Talk

assistance is provided must be done in a cost-effective way and should go to those who are actually producing the crop and who truly needs it.

The Committee also heard testimony from Secretary of Agriculture Dan Glickman, who outlined the steps he believes USDA should take to provide adequate relief to American agriculture. These include the following:

- Developing emergency farm income support;
- Continuing the sin-

gle-year portion of last year's crop loss disaster assistance program;

- Funding additional farm loans, including emergency loans;
- Reforming the federal crop insurance program; and
- Increasing exports

Secretary Glickman talked about the 1996 Freedom to Farm bill and expressed his belief that it should be revised because it fails to adequately protect farmer's income when commodity prices fall.

I agree with the Secretary, which is why I introduced the Supplemental Income Payment (SIP) Program to

protect the American farmer against price volatility in the markets.

My legislation would require the Secretary of Agriculture to make SIP payments to producers of certain crops for crop years in which the national gross revenue of the crop is below a certain percentage of that crop's revenue. I am pleased to report that there is growing support for my proposal.

The economics farm

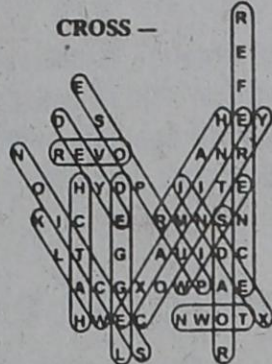
crisis has reached emergency levels, and I believe my SIP proposal has the potential to put American agriculture back on its feet.

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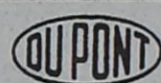
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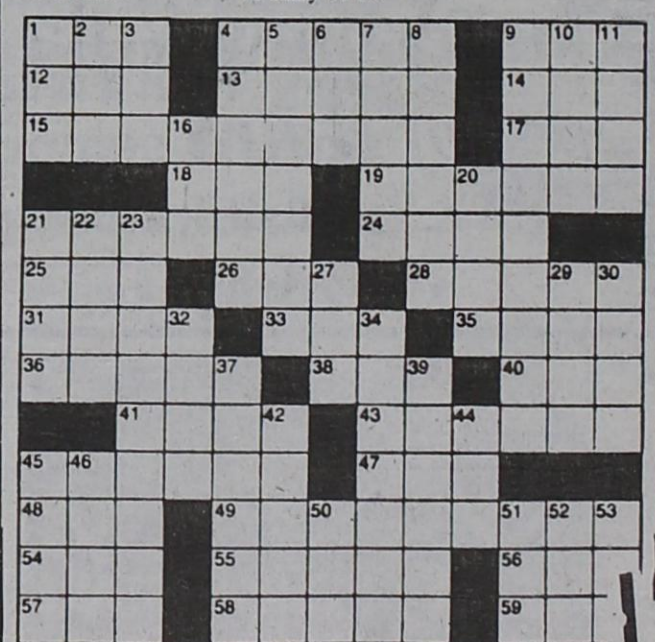


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9/16	Hawley	Baird	6:30
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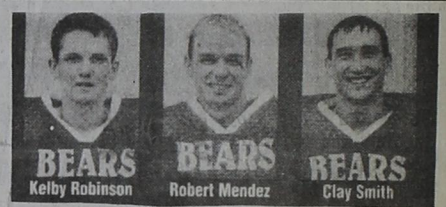
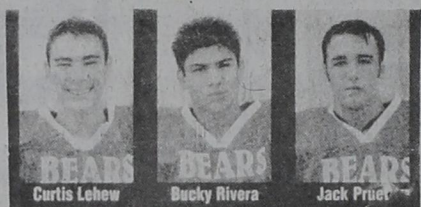
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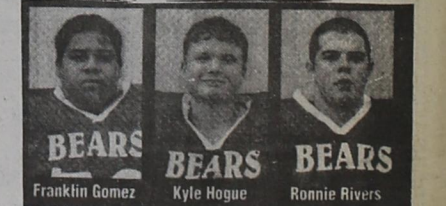
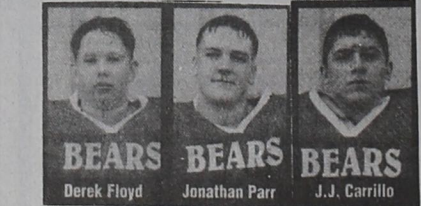
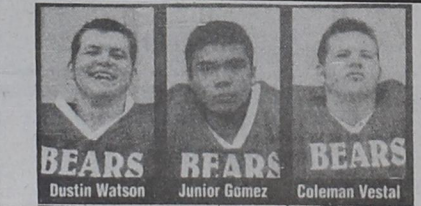
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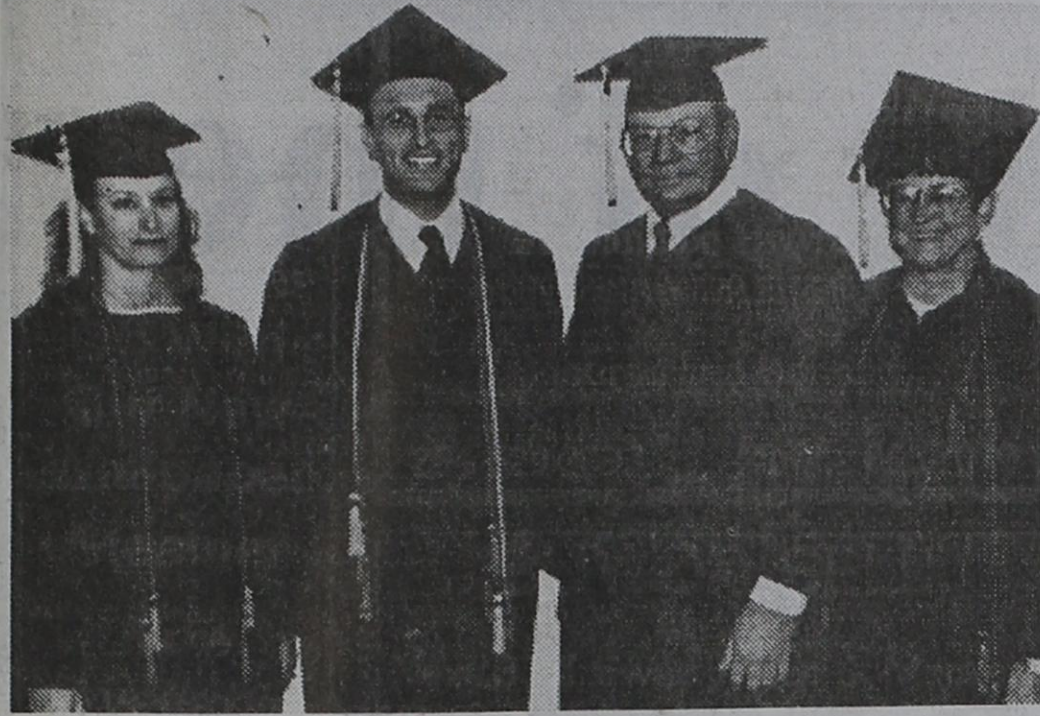


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DEPARTMENTAL GRADUATES--Commencement exercises at Tarleton State University traditionally honored students who have excelled in their academic majors. The summer Departmental Outstanding Graduates included (from left) Carolyn Wright Schlueter of Azle, Clifton Neil Sims of Cleburne, Ronald Dale Riggs of Cisco and Stephanie Kay Harris of Whitney.

Outstanding Graduates Honored At TSU Summer Commencement

Ronald Dale Riggs of Cisco was one of 12 Outstanding Department Graduates honored during the summer 1999 commencement exercises at Tarleton State University. Tarleton President Dr. Dennis P. McCabe recognized the graduates during ceremonies held Friday, August 6, 1999.

The selection of Department Outstanding Graduates has become a tradition at the University as each academic department has the opportunity to recognize one of its majors who excel in academics and leadership. Candidates are nominated and selected by faculty and administration from that major department.

Riggs, the son of Maria Riggs, was chosen from the Department of Physical and Environmental Sciences. He received the Bachelor of Science in Geology.

Two commencement ceremonies were held to accommodate the candidates for graduation. Tarleton faculty members Dr. Don Knotts, Dean of the College of Agriculture and Technology, and Dr. Linda Jones, Associate Vice President for Academic Affairs were commencement speakers. The Texas A&M University System was represented by Dr. Stanton Calvert, Vice Chancellor for State and Public Affairs, and Dr. Susan Wynn, a member of the

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Twombly Nowak, BSW-Social Work.

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EASTLAND: Gary Reeves Hill, BAAS-Law Enforcement Occupations; Judy Carol Nichols*, BS-Criminal Justice

GORDON: Christopher David Cunningham, MBA-Business Administration

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Clyde. Any cake- 3. April Shipley, Clyde.

Youth Candy Juniors Chocolate- 1. Andrea Driggers, Clyde.

Seniors Chocolate- 3. Andrew Isenberg, Clyde.

Any candy- 1. Dale Carey, Clyde.

Youth Canned Foods James made with pulp of chopped fruit- 3. Kaitlyn Walker Baird.

Youth Clothing Juniors Blouse- 2. Kayla Windham, Baird.

Pants or skirt- 1. Casey Dyer, Eastland.

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Youth Cookies Seniors Drop- 2. Megan Sivley, Clyde.

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Youth Fine Arts Beginners 5-8 Figure portraits, other mediums- 1. Kayla Lawrence, Cross Plains.

Seniors Juniors Landscape- 3. Ashli Garrett, Cisco.

Nutrition Briefs

Forget Fad Diets When Watching Your Weight

Houston -- Successful weight watchers know the real secret to long term success isn't found in a fad diet.

"Fad diets that are restrictive are not effective for weight management," said Dr. Ken Goodrick, assistant professor of medicine at Baylor College of Medicine in Houston.

In fact, consciously eating less than you want and skipping meals can sabotage weight loss efforts. Studies report that in spite of effort to main weight loss, people often gain back the pounds they shed and might even add a few more.

Fad diets like those advocating non fat or high protein foods or low calorie liquids can deprive the body of important nutrients needed for good health.

To help reach and maintain a healthy weight, Goodrick suggests avoiding high fat, fried foods, exercising at least five hours a week and fol-

lowing the USDA's Food Guide Pyramid. "People who successfully lose weight and keep it off are careful about what they eat with depriving themselves," he added. "They recognize that eating and exercise can be enjoyable and, that along with good sleep, will improve feelings of energy as well as control weight."

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'Soy' Many Easy Ways To Lower Your Cholesterol

Houston -- American who find tofu a turn off might find that adding cholesterol lowering soy protein to their diet is easier, and tastier, than they thought.

"Although tofu is the most commonly recognized soy food, there are others that are fairly similar to foods Americans already eat," said Dr. William Wong, a scientist with the USDA/ARS Children's Nutrition Research Center in Houston who has studied the cholesterol lowering benefits of soy.

To get the most out of soy protein, consume four servings of soy rich foods each day, cut back on animal protein and follow a heart healthy diet. "Look for soy foods with at least

6.25 grams of soy protein per serving," said Wong, a professor of pediatrics at Baylor College of Medicine.

According to Wong, substituting soy protein for animal protein is nutritionally sound because, unlike other plant proteins, soy proteins, soy protein contains all the essential protein building blocks needed by humans.

If tofu's not for you, Wong suggests looking for soy "butter" which is similar to peanut butter; calcium fortified soy milk to use in place of cow's milk; crunchy soy "nuts" for tasty nibbling flavored, ready to use textured vegetable protein (TVP or TSP) for use in place of ground meat and burgers; and canned soybeans to toss in soups and salads.

"Adding a healthy amount of soy to your diet doesn't have to be difficult, and it can be delicious and fun," he said.



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AUSTIN — Texas Department of Health officials said they were satisfied that H-E-B grocery had successfully removed nearly 20,000 pounds of ground beef from its store shelves after fears it may have been contaminated.

H-E-B voluntarily recalled the meat after internal routine testing detected E. coli in a one-ounce sample of ground beef in a company warehouse. The recalled meat was packaged in Styrofoam trays wrapped in clear plastic with "sell by" dates of Sept. 13 and 14 and 16-ounce aqua and green tubes of "super lean" ground beef with a "sell by" date of Sept. 23.

The meat was sold Sept. 13 and 14 in many of the company's 160 stores but not its Central Market and Pantry Food stores. TDH officials said anyone who has purchased meat with those dates and packaging should return it to H-E-B for a full refund.

Most forms of the bacteria E. coli are harmless to humans but some strains, including the one detected in the H-E-B meat, can cause diarrheal illness.

UT Reopens Tower Deck
 The University of Texas-Austin Sept. 15 reopened the observation deck of the Tower 25 years after a

string of tragedies forced university officials to close the Austin landmark.

Public "twilight" tours began Sept. 16 and will continue through Oct. 29. After that date only daytime tours will be offered. Tickets are \$3 and can be reserved by calling toll-free 1-877-475-6633.

The tower was closed Oct. 28, 1974 after several suicides and only eight years after Charles Whitman carried out his deadly rampage for the observation deck, killing 14 people and injuring 31 others Aug. 1, 1966.

"I believe it is important that we move beyond these painful chapters of the building's history. Texans deserve the opportunity to enjoy new positive experiences associated with the Tower," UT President Larry Faulkner said.

Completed in 1937, the Tower stands 307 feet tall and provides a view of Austin and the state Capitol.

Hispanic Population Increases
 Texas recorded the nation's second largest increase in Hispanic population, adding 1.5 million compared with 1990 and bringing the state's total to 5.9 million Hispanics.

Nationwide the Hispanic population increased from 22.4 million in 1990 to 30.3 million in 1998, a 35 percent gain. California leads the nation with 2.4 million more Hispanics in 1998 compared with the 1990 figures.

The U.S. Census Bureau released the annual estimates as a guide to gear up for the 2000 Census.

Harris County led the state with an estimated 875,338 Hispanics and Bexar County followed with 761,019 Hispanics.

Texas saw substantially less increases in its other population

groups. The bureau estimates 382,000 more blacks and 225,000 more Asian and Pacific Islanders lived in the state in 1998.

Other Highlights

- Seven Texas urban counties will split \$5.9 million in grant money to fund a new juvenile justice program designed to intensify intervention and supervision of youthful probationers. The program, Project Spotlight, gives a two-year grant to Bexar, Dallas, El Paso, Harris, Nueces, Tarrant and Travis counties.
- Michael L. Williams was named chairman of the Texas Railroad Commission. Gov. George W. Bush appointed him to the commission in December 1998.
- PULSE EFT Association, which has more than 20 million debit cardholders, successfully passed the 9/9/99 test. Company officials said the date passing without a hitch reaffirmed that the public can expect a normal day of operation on Jan. 1, 2000.
- Tire Recyclers in San Antonio was ordered to pay \$316,000 to the Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission in connection with 10 felony counts of criminal fraud. The company filed false reports and received reimbursements under a tire waste processing program.
- Texas' newest area code — 361 — went into effect Sept. 18 in the Coastal Bend region. The area code is the state's 18th.
- Texas with concealed handgun permits now can carry those guns in Arizona, and vice versa. Texas Department of Public Safety signed a reciprocity agreement with Arizona. Similar agreements already are in place with Louisiana, Oklahoma and Arkansas.

CJC To Offer Refrigerant Containment Class Oct. 16

Cisco Junior College will offer a Refrigerant Containment class and a Mobile Vehicle Air Conditioning Technician Certification course on Saturday, October 16, 1999, at the Cisco Junior College Abilene Center.

The Stationary Refrigerant Containment class will meet from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. The class Satisfies EPA section 608 of the Clean Air Act to permit certification of technicians as required by the ACT. This course is EPA approved and includes all materials and instructions to complete a technician Certificate. Cost for the class is \$65. Study materials must be picked up one week

prior to the class from Clay Spain.

The Mobile Vehicle Air Conditioning Technician Certification course will be held from 1 to 3 p.m. This course is EPA approved and is conducted in accordance with the Federal Clean Air Act Amendments of 1991. Satisfactory completion and passing of the course will certify that the technician is properly trained in the use of refrigerant and recycling equipment for mobile vehicle air conditioners. All materials are included. Cost for the course is \$30.

For more information or to register, contact Clay Spain at (915) 698-2219.



Answers to King Crossword

GUM	BORER	RFD
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 Heavyweight
 Brangus: 2. Sarah Dickey, Baird FFA.
 Light Heavyweight
 Limousin: 1. Justin Anders, Clyde.
 Heavyweight
 Limousin: 3. Steven White, Eastland County 4-H.
- Rabbits**
 California- 3. Kyle Gilmore, Moran
 California Jr.
 Bucks- 1. Kody Gilmore, Moran; 2. Kyle Gilmore, Moran.
 California Sr.
 Bucks- 1. Cynthia Gilmore, Moran; 2. Kyle Gilmore, Moran.
 Lop (Mini)- 1. Kody Gilmore, Moran.
 Lop (Mini)- Best of Breed- Kody Gilmore, Moran.
Adult Cakes
 Best of Show- Becky Sivley, Clyde
 Cake with fruit in batter- 1. Becky Sivley,

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Find the listed words in the diagram. They run in all directions-forward, backward, up, down and diagonally.

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Wonder Woman
&
Tumbleweed

Herrel was driving through the southern states and a rock hit the windshield from a passing truck, and started a crack. Eventually over the next couple of weeks the crack started creeping up the windshield until it was about 15 inches long. We stopped at the Medway US Xpress Terminal near Dayton, Ohio.

The load was going to Michigan so the garage manager loaned Herrel a truck while the window on his truck was replaced. Herrel drove the other

truck by his truck, where I had been waiting. He told me the other truck was filthy, but I didn't expect the truck to be as bad as it was. I don't see how anyone could stay in a truck in that condition.

Apparently the driver had quit and the company had not cleaned it up. There's no telling how long the other driver had it. I sprayed everything in the dirty truck with Lysol and Febreze, but the odor of stale sweat and dirt could not be erased. So we drove to Lavina, Michigan with



Wonder Woman, Wanda Hallmark and Tumbleweed, Herrel Hallmark

the windows down. Each truck has their own Com-data computer and dispatch offices are able to keep track and know exactly where each truck is. Soon after we left the Medway terminal we

received the following message on the Com-data, "Is this truck 9412? No one is assigned to this truck. Please contact a dispatch manager and make sure you are in this truck!"

Yeah, Herrel and I decided it looks like we were in the truck. He sent back a message explaining why the truck was leaving the terminal.

The truck was loaded with Brawny paper towels and the delivery time had been set for 6:30 p.m. at the Kroger Grocery Store Warehouse. But, the truck was not unloaded until 11:45 p.m. Herrel knew he had to get some

sleep before he took the truck back to Medway, so we laid down on the Lysol and Febreze soaked mattress and slept for a few hours.

POEM

Smiling is infectious,
you catch it like the flu,
Someone smiled at me
I started smiling too
I passed around the corner
and someone saw my grin
When he smiled I realized
I'd passed it on to him
I thought about that smile
then I realized it's worth,
A single smile, just like mine,
could travel round the earth
So, if you feel a smile begin,
don't leave it undetected
Let's start an epidemic quick.
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Then we went back to Medway to our clean truck that had a new windshield.

At Medway there is a small tree lined pond in front of the building. Drivers are free to fish or even swim there. One US Xpress driver pulled a fishing pole from his truck and went over to the pond. When we left a couple of hours later we asked him if he had caught anything and he said one fish, but he let it go.

Herrel had to drive to Warsaw, Indiana, to pick up a load of J.C. Penney Catalogs that were going to Virginia. We arrived in Warsaw at 2:30 a.m. but were not loaded until 3:15 p.m. Herrel said God must be teaching him patience with this job -- but it's not working, he added.

During the time we were in the warehouse parking lot we slept, watched "Lion King," "Liar, Liar" and ate dinner from our food supply we carry for such times.

Finally the trailer was loaded and we take off. The routing took us through the smaller

roads--not just interstate highways. There are many, many bridges in West Virginia. Going over a bridge in Charleston, when I looked down there was a motor boat pulling a skier going backwards.

Then going down the Allegheny Mountains, at times Herrel had to slow down to 45 miles per hour on a 7% grade. We got about halfway down and the brakes started smoking because the load was so heavy -- 41,000 pounds of catalogs and over 35,000 pounds of truck. This is a lot of power and weight those poor brakes had to hold back.

While going down the highway two trucks with trailers (bob tailing) go by and Herrel commented on the good looking trucks. A driver on the CB asked about them. Apparently these were truck dealers delivering new trucks to a buyer. They said they have more like them and even have a purchase plan.

Driver on the CB asked if they have a



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plan to pay \$1 a week for a new truck. And they replied, "Yes, we do, with a big enough down payment." The driver came back with, "I'm so poor that if it cost 15 cents to go around the world I couldn't get out of sight."

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Beef Cattle Conference Oct. 7

Beef Quality Management is a concept heard by all cattlemen now days. But, what is Beef Quality Management, and how much reward is possible for creating quality beef. The answers to these and other popular questions can be had at the upcoming Big Country Beef Cattle Conference to be held on Thursday, October 7th. The program is being coordinated by the Texas Agricultural Extension Offices in Callahan, Taylor and Shackelford Counties. This program will be dedicated to helping cattle producers identify management practices and cattle genetic selection criteria that will prevent the production of beef products that do not conform to industry targets and, in turn, that will enhance consumer satisfaction, increase profitability, and improve beef's competitiveness.

The Conference will have a morning and afternoon session. The morning session will begin with registration from 8:30 a.m.-9 a.m. at the Abilene Auction. Dr. Ron Gill, Dr. Steve Hammack and Randy Carson will then judge and evaluate live cattle and discuss the major functional traits important in today's beef production industry. The morning progresses with presentations from the Texas Beef Council and the Texas Southwestern Cattle Raisers Association. The morning session will conclude with Donnell Brown of R.A. Brown Ranch, Throckmorton. He'll discuss Beef Quality Improvements through Bull Selection. Following Donnell Brown's presentation we will de-

part for the Taylor County Extension Office for a sponsored catered lunch and to view exhibitors booths. After lunch we will resume with the afternoon portion of the program with Emory Boring, Extension Entomologist, and his discussion on External Parasite Control. Prior to a 2:30 p.m. break, Dr. Dan Hale, Extension Meat Specialist will discuss and take producers through a Beef Quality Challenge. During this session Dr. Hale will provide producers with a background on the factors that influence the value and quality of cattle as well as demonstrate the difficulty in attempting to estimate value when simply looking at a

Drought Threatens Trees

Landscape trees, as well as forest trees, have been dying all over the state this year. Texans are concerned about the losses of their trees and are wondering what they can do about it. "There are a number of obvious reasons why trees are dying, but the most important is one few consider," says Lanny Dreesen, Extension Forester with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service in Conroe, Texas. He says the droughts of 1996 and 1998 are the real culprits.

"Tree roots were so severely injured in those two years that they have never been able to recover adequately to support the trees," he stated. "When the droughts caused local water tables to drop too far below the root systems of the trees, they (trees) went into stress. Many of the finer roots were lost due to drying out. The relatively good weather in 1997 and 1999 wasn't enough for new roots to be generated by the trees and, in their weakened states, insects, diseases and extreme heat often combined finish to them off.

Most people don't like to hear it was the droughts that caused their losses because they want to be able to do something to keep their trees alive, or bring them back. Once trees die, resurrection isn't an option, but maintaining tree health and giving them a chance to recover may be. During dry, hot summer months, trees can be watered to help them maintain life processes such as photosynthesis.

Photosynthesis is how green plants manufacture their own food and it is essential to growth and life. Without water, the chemical and physiological (life) processes in a tree can't take place. For example, when it is too dry for the roots to pick up moisture from the soil and transport it to the leaves, leaves cannot open the tiny stomates (valves) on the leaf bottoms and release cooling moisture to the air around them. The stomates are triggered to close when it is hot, in the absence of cooling moisture, and carbon

dioxide is not taken into the tree, nor is oxygen released. Both carbon dioxide and water are essential chemicals in the photosynthetic process.

Without the moisture being evaporated from the leaf stomates, leaves wilt. Unless the wilting is relieved by rainfall or irrigation the tree will die.

A clue to drought damage is leaves on trees dying from the bottom of the tree upward and from the inside of the canopy outward. Sometimes drought damage simply shows up as wilting leaves or "burning" along leaf edges. Early signs are yellowing of leaves and premature leaf drop all over the crown, while retaining some leaves for photosynthesis. Trees sheds leaves to reduce water loss through a process called transpiration, so that it can survive until moisture comes.

Properly watering a tree is a bit different from watering lawns. Tree roots are generally deeper than grass roots and the irrigation needs to be left on long enough the moisture to go at least one foot deep in the soil. Digging a hole immediately after a timed irrigation will give some idea how long the water needs to be. It will depend on the soil texture. Water moves down rapidly in sandy soil and slowly in clays. A homeowner only needs to water for the trees once every week to ten days, unlike grass, which often has to be watered two to three times a week. Five gallons of water per square yard of tree root zone is equal to about one inch of rainfall.

and baked goods will be for sale from 8:00 a.m. until 7:00 p.m. A Mexican Pile-On will be served from 5-7:00 p.m. Plates are \$5 for adults and \$3 for children. The public is invited to join the festivities. Call 893-4308 for more information.

Obituaries

Ruth Jones

ABILENE- Ruth Evangeline Jones, 78, died Wednesday, September 15, 1999 in a local hospital.

The body was cremated. A memorial service will be at 2 p.m. Sunday, September 19, 1999 at North's Funeral Home Memorial Chapel, Richard Ellis officiated.

Mrs. Jones was born in Oregon, where she grew up. She married K.C. Jones in 1946 in Oregon and moved to Fort Worth in 1953 from Mississippi. She moved to Abilene in 1963 and worked as a licensed vocational nurse at Hendrick Medical Center for more than 10 years. She also was a

Lady Bears Lower Cross Country Times

By Lacy Hogue, Baird High School Cross Country Coach. Lady Bears Cross Country competes at Cross Plains. The Baird High School Lady Bears

Cross Country team competed at Cross Plains on Saturday, Sept. 18, 1999.

Every athlete turned in their best performance of the season. "Our times were the best so far," said Lacy Hogue, High School Coach.

- Megan Hunter 13.05
- Amanda Manning 14.06
- Amber Rudder 14.24
- Heather Kerbow 14.39
- Meredith Curtis 15.05
- Candace Riddle 15.29
- Kyla Neal 15.34
- DeSerae Rivera 16.05
- Crystal Armstrong 17.46

All of the ladies are striving to lower their times by at least 30 seconds this week at the McMurry University Cross Country meet.

Megan Hunter has been the team's best performer during the season. Everyone is working very hard to be ready for District on October 18, 1999 at Stephenville.

Eula U. Methodist Fall Festival Oct. 9

The Eula United Methodist Church, located at 5810 FM 603, will host its annual Fall Festival on October 9th. A variety of arts, crafts,

private nurse. She was a member of Minter Lane Church of Christ. Survivors are three sons, Chris Jones and Johnny Jones, both of Duncan, AZ, and Tom Jones of Abilene; four daughters, Kay Van

Kirk of Cochise, AZ, Melissa Minear of Clyde, Ruth E. Laws of Atoka, Okla., and Dianne Hamilton of Arlington; 12 grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

Ben Corn

MT. SYLVAN- Ben F. Corn, Sr., 81, of Mt. Sylvan died Sunday, September 19, 1999 at his home in Mt. Sylvan.

Services were held at 2 p.m. Wednesday, September 22, 1999 at the Mount Sylvan United Methodist Church, Rev. John Newsome, Rev. Dr. Mike Daniels officiated, Rev. Allison Byerly and Keith Broyles assisted. Entombment with Masonic rites was in the Cathedral of the Pines Cemetery Mausoleum in Tyler, directed by Caudle-Rutledge Funeral Home of Lindale.

Mr. Corn was born on March 24, 1918 in Putnam, Texas to George Houston and

Emily Annie Corn. He was a member of the Mt. Sylvan United Methodist Church. He served on several church boards and committees. He was retired from the Missouri-Pacific Railway Company in 1978 after 36 years. He was a member of the T.R. Bonner Masonic Lodge in Mt. Sylvan where he was honored in 1998 for 50 years, and had served as Worshipful Master. He was also a member of the Order of Eastern Star, Chapter #595 of Mt. Sylvan. He had served as Worthy Patron.

He was formerly of Marshall, Texas before moving to Mt. Sylvan upon his retirement in 1978.

He was preceded in death by a son, Ben F. Corn, Jr. in 1992; his parents; brothers, J.H. Lowell and Irvin Corn; sisters, Annie May Lahm, Opal Francisco and Dura Corn.

Survivors are his wife of 59 years, Doris Corn of Mt. Sylvan; a daughter, Carolyn Corn of Mt. Sylvan; a granddaughter and her husband, Heather and Steven Haley and great-granddaughter, Victoria Haley all of Sublimity, Oregon; a daughter-in-law, Linda Corn of Katy, TX.; and two brothers, Weldon Corn of Ajo, Arizona and Raymond Corn of Baird, TX.; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Pallbearers were Roger Corn, David Grove, Steven Haley, Randall Gray, Mike Hargrove, Cody Malone, Bob Ivey, and Erick Platten.

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For more information, contact Charlotte Nix Speegle at (254) 442-2567, ext. 115.

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POW/MIA
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September 17 was the
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its responsibility to
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In the second quarter
Rotan Quarterback
Jordan Shipley had a 65
yard run for a TD
which made the score
Rotan 6, Baird 0.
Michael Huffstetter
had a 60 yard TD run
for Baird and the PAT
failed. The score was
then Rotan 6 and Baird
6.

In the fourth quarter
a Rotan pass from QB
Shipley to Wide
Receiver for 45 yards

and the 2 point conver-
sion run was success-
ful and the final score
was Rotan 14 and Baird
6.

7th Grade Football

The Baird 7th grade
defeated Clyde 20-12 in
the first game of the
season. In the first
quarter Clyde scored a
12 yd. run which made
it 6-0. Baird's Zach
Green kickoff return for
a TD of 70 yds. That
made it Clyde 6, Baird
6.

In the second quarter
Zach Green of Baird
had a short run for TD
and Blake Mendez had
a 2 pt. conversion run
which made it Clyde 6,
Baird 14.

In the fourth quarter
Blake Mendez had a
TD run for 12 yds. and

Abilene Women's Club

The Abilene Wo-
man's Club will be
hosting their annual
Holiday Tables on
October 8th and 9th.

Shop In Baird

the PAT failed that
made it Clyde 6, Baird
20. Clyde had a short
run for a TD and the
PAT failed. The final
score was Clyde 12,
Baird 20.

Jr. Varsity Football

The Baird JV score
was Rotan 22 and Baird
0.

The theme this year
will be Flights of
Fancy.

Sponsors this year
will be Hanner Chry-
sler Plymouth Dodge
Jeep Eagle, Baird,
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Christmas, Lubbock,
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Tables will be set up
throughout the Club at
3425 S. 14th Street
Abilene, Texas, depict-
ing family events, hol-
idays and special occa-
sions by members of the
Club, and merchants
from around the area.
Also on display will be
collectibles from private
collections including
Boxes from around
the World; Porcelain
houses from Christmas
in the City; Bird

Houses; Santa Clauses;
Alexander dolls and
other items. The up-
stairs Boutique will
have gifts and acces-
sories, fashions from
Lin and Larry's, jewel-
ry and original gifts
for Christmas shop-
ping.

A Christmas Wreath
decorated with Beanie
Babies will be given
away to the lucky tick-
et-holder on Saturday
at 4 p.m. Tickets may
be purchased ahead of
the event as well as on
Friday and Saturday.
You will not need to be
present to win.

A door prize of a
Pierre Cardin ladies
watch will also be
given to the lucky ticket
holder on Saturday.

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strations will be given on
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Bryan Chambers, Exe-

cutive Chef at Kitchens:
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will be given at 12:00
and 3:00 p.m.

There will be a
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Friday evening,
October 8th, from 6-9
p.m. Tickets for this
evening will be \$15.00
and will include a buf-
fet. Entertainment will
be presented by Barbara
Don Brooks. For reser-
vations call the Abilene
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1768. Tickets for the
Saturday events are
\$10.00 and may be pur-
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