

Clyde, Eula and Baird Fireman struggle to remove two-year-old Shyanna Steele from a water well in Clyde. (Staff Photo)

## Clyde Volunteer Fire Department presented with plaque

By Billy Harris  
Baird Correspondent  
CLYDE- The family of the two year old Clyde girl that perished after falling into a water well on February 18th, presented the Clyde Volunteer Fire Department with a plaque Tuesday night the following week.

Shyanna's Great-grandparents James and Maybelle Steele, Grandmother Marilyn Vinson, an Aunt, and several cousins thanked the Clyde Firemen and other assisting departments for their efforts in trying to save their little girl. Assistant Clyde Fire Chief Billy Dezern accepted the

plaque from the family on behalf of the whole department. The family expressed great appreciation for the efforts of rescuers.

All in attendance were treated to cake and drinks provided by the family.

The plaque reads:  
*In Deepest Gratitude To The Clyde Volunteer Fire Department For Your Unselfish Giving of Yourselves In Our Family's Time of Need.*

*In Memory of Shyanna Nicole Steele, February 18, 1997.*

## Keffer promoting legal reform

Austin- State Representative Jim Keffer has sponsored legislation aimed at reforming the Texas legal system. The package of tort reform bills is designed to curb frivolous lawsuits and limit unreasonable awards.

Keffer is also supporting an act that would relieve property owners of liability for criminal acts committed on their property unless gross negligence can be proven. Property owners would also be excused from injuries that occur on their property if the claimant had voluntarily engaged in an activity he or she knew to be dangerous.

"These measures are about common sense," Keffer said. "Tort law should not hold defendants responsible for damage they don't cause. People deserve reasonable compensation for injuries they suffer as a result of another individual's negligence, but our system unfairly allows people to reap monetary gain disproportionate to the actual damages."

Representative Keffer is

also coauthoring a bill that would require courts to consider claims filed by Texas residents or claims that arise in Texas before considering out-of-state lawsuits. It would give judges the ability to export out-of-state claims to the states in which they originate. "This bill does not deprive out-of-state claims their day in court," said Keffer. "It merely sends cases to the courts in which they belong and allows Texas courts to serve Texas residents better."

## Local Musicians to play at Abilene ballroom

Abilene - The group "Union Hill" of Lewisville will perform at the Ponderosa Ballroom in Abilene on Friday and Saturday evenings, March 7th and 8th. The group features two local musicians, Vince Chippone of Clyde and Paul Strickland of Baird.

## Charlotte Savage receives degree

Charlotte Geneal Savage of Baird was conferred the Bachelor of Behavioral Science degree in commencement ceremonies at Hardin-Simmons University, Dec. 13, 1996.

The annual December commencement program was held in Behrens Chapel on the HSU campus.

She was one of approximately 130 students to receive degrees after a brief charge from HSU president, Dr. Lanny Hall.

## Baird Bank names Boyd as assistant cashier

The First National Bank of Baird is pleased to announce the promotion of Barbara Boyd to Assistant Cashier.

Mrs. Boyd has been with the bank since April 1978. For the past 2 1/2 years she has worked with new accounts and certificates of deposits.

Barbara has lived in the community all of her life. When asked what she enjoyed most about her work Mrs. Boyd said, "I like the fact that we are

small enough to know each customer personally and I get to represent First National Bank of Baird often as a first impression to new customers."

We at First National Bank of Baird appreciate Mrs. Boyd's hard work, outgoing personality, and genuine concern for others and feel that these qualities have made her a vital part of the bank and our community," said Sammy Edington, president of the bank.



## Maynard and Judy Gulley The 90's version of monopoly

New York - No, its not Cary Grant and Deborah Kerr, but it certainly is "An Affair to Remember" as Maynard and Judy Gulley are presented with the new game of the year. This honor was presented to the Gulley's on top of the Empire State Building at a conference given by the New York Toy Fair.

The new game was created by Jeff Berndt, originally from Vale Colorado, and produced by Maynard and Judy Gulley. This dream for Jeff took form over a period of eight years, the last two being in Abilene at the Gulley's request.

The game is a three-dimensional version of Monopoly, and was sparked after Berndt lost to his college buddies playing the old game of monopoly. He was watching Star Trek and saw Mr. Spock playing a three-dimensional Chess game - thus Triopoly was born.

Once Triopoly is played, the old monopoly is a game of the past. This is truly monopoly, the next generation.

During the years of ground work, Berndt researched all board

games, copyrights, infringements and patents. And once that was done started looking for investors, thus hooking up with the Gulley's.

YaQuinta Printing, in Dallas, Texas, prints board games from all over the world. When the game of Triopoly was printed, YaQuinta requested that they be allowed to display the game at the New York Toy Fair.

During YaQuinta's business year of printing board games, they pick out the best prospects for the upcoming year, and Triopoly was picked. YaQuinta also requested that Jeff, Maynard and Judy attend New York for the presentations and exhibitions. On a spooky note, the Gulley's presentation was done on the exact spot where six days later a gunman opened fire on tourists at the top of the Empire State Building.

The games have not hit many retailers' shelves yet, but if you are interested in purchasing this new game, you can see it at the HeadShed and Bared Beach in Baird. The price is \$39.95 plus tax.



Baird Chamber of Commerce Banquet Award recipients are from left to right, Karen Riddle, Bun Barry, Elaine Stephenson, Jay Hanner, Marie Moore, Brian Abernathy, Marion Scott (not pictured Daniece Odom).

## Baird C of C Annual Banquet

By Billy Harris  
Baird Correspondent

The Baird Chamber of Commerce held its Annual Awards Banquet Saturday, March 1st at the Baird Cafetorium. About 200 people enjoyed the meal of Bar-B-Que and trimmings furnished by Shipp's Smokehouse of Baird with members of the Chamber serving.

Bun Barry (1996 Chamber President) "passed the gavel" to incoming President Karen Riddle. Other 1997 officers are Vice President Buddy Shipp, Secretary/Treasurer Cindy Curtis, and Reporter Bradina Benson.

Master of Ceremonies Jack Corn spoke to the audience of how when he was growing up, the and great-grandfather had lived on. Other nominees for the Agricultural Award were Scott Goldsmith and Benton Pruet.

Rod Lewallen, Jerry Loper, and Elaine Stephenson were announced as nominees for the Professional Achievement Award. Pat Parker presented the award to Elaine Stephenson, proprietor of Keltons Flowers in Baird, saying how Elaine learned the trade from her father-in-law the late Hoss Stephenson.

County Attorney Allen Wright announced the three nominees for the Community Service Award, Billy Harris, Bun Barry, and Dyer Windham. Callahan County Tax Assessor Collector and outgoing Chamber President Bun Barry was honored with this award. Wright described Barry, who was awarded two Purple Hearts during his military service, as the nicest tax collector since Matthew in the Bible.

The "Pat on the Back" Award was chosen from these three nominees: Karen Riddle, Skip Parker, and Jim Stevens. Callahan County Tax

Appraiser Rod Lewallen presented the award to Karen Riddle. Karen has been involved with the Chamber for many years, serving as secretary and now President, and has also been involved with Girl Scouts and the Baird Booster Club.

Outstanding Student Awards were presented next. Nominees for the Boy were Bryan Abernathy and Chad Barron. High School Principal Sandra Carter presented Bryan Abernathy the certificate. Bryan is involved in the Beta Club, Christian Athletes, Band, Ranks 2nd in his Senior Class, and lettered two years in basketball.

Outstanding Girl nominees were Kari Roan and Marie Moore. Baird School Superintendent Steve Maikell presented Marie Moore with the award. Marie made honor roll all her years in high school and was active in Beta Club, Band, One Act Play competition, served as Jr. Class President, Athletic Manager, Student Council President, and participated in the

Academic Challenge on KTXS-TV.

The Howard Farmer Citizenship Award, the Chamber's highest honor, was presented by Skip Parker, last years recipient. The nominees were Tom Ivy, K. D. Griffin and Jay Hanner.

Jay Hanner, owner of three area new car dealerships, was chosen as this year's honoree. Skip said Jay moved his family to Baird in 1974 and bought Check Chevrolet and has done very much to help put Baird on the map since that time. Jay had been in the automobile business since returning from World War II, where he served on the USS Mississippi, and opened a used car lot in McLean, Texas. The Hanner businesses employ 85 people and have sold close to 30 thousand vehicles from the Baird Dealerships. Jay regularly contributes to local functions and has been the silent backer of many charitable projects. Jay received a standing ovation when he accepted his plaque.

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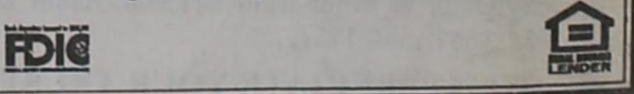
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# Does your home have these symptoms of tired, toxic air?

## The truth about home air quality

Dear Homeowner,

Your home could be killing you slowly. Your home could be the root cause of dozens of common health problems like:

1. Allergies
2. Watery, itchy eyes
3. Tired, rundown feeling
4. Restless sleep - tossing and turning
5. Coughing, wheezing
6. Skin rashes
7. Diminished concentration
8. Flue-like symptoms
9. Headaches
10. Chest tightness
11. Intestinal disturbances
12. Bacteria and viruses causing measles, influenza, chicken pox and strep.

And more. Much, much more.

My name is Fred Hann. I may be one of the most famous certified indoor air

quality specialists in the country. Some people call me "Mr. Clean Air." I've spent a good deal of my professional life involved in solving clean air problems for homeowners and businesses nationwide.

No matter where you live in the country, I've probably influenced the safety and comfort of homes in your area.

I've learned your home could be holding you hostage to toxins and poisons of all kinds. How?

If your home was built within the last 40 years... it has modern building materials known to emit fumes and cause health problems. Plastics, plywood, synthetic carpets, carpet padding, glues for tiles and wallpaper, paints, paneling and more. All these building materials could be polluting the air in your home. That's just the beginning.

### The "Energy Efficiency" Problem

Modern day building methods are also a source of health problems. Making homes AIR TIGHT to save on heating and air conditioning bills traps toxic pollutants IN YOUR HOME. They get in but can't get out.

### The Hidden Dust Buildup Problem

Your home heating ducts could have a buildup of four (4) inches or more of dust, debris and microorganic matter. Yes, 4 inches of breeding ground for dust mites in your ducts. Just one ounce of dust contains nearly 42,000 living dust mites. Each one expels 20 fecal pellets every day into the air you breathe!

### "Let's Step Outside for a Breath of Fresh Air."

Congress and the EPA now admit that indoor air pollution is one of the top environmental issues facing our country.<sup>2</sup> The air in your home can be as much as 100 times more polluted than the air outside.<sup>2</sup> Now you can do something about it. Now you can have a HYPOGENIC HOME.

### Other Problems

1. Plus, your health could be under attack from household pets shedding hair and dander.
2. Or your gas stove, furnace or fireplace could be burning YELLOW flames instead of BLUE... (Carbon monoxide! Nitrogen dioxide!)
3. Or you could have a cabinet full of spray cans, paint thinners, paints, soldering equipment, insecticides or moth balls (Fumes!)
4. You could have a sewer leaking methane gas or hydrogen sulfide into your home.
5. Even DRY CLEANED clothes can be a source of allergic reaction.
6. Smokers who live with you or visit your home could add to the problem.

### The Problems Could Go On

How important is the air in your home? Look at it this way...you can live 30 days or more without food...10 days without water...but only 5 minutes or less without air.

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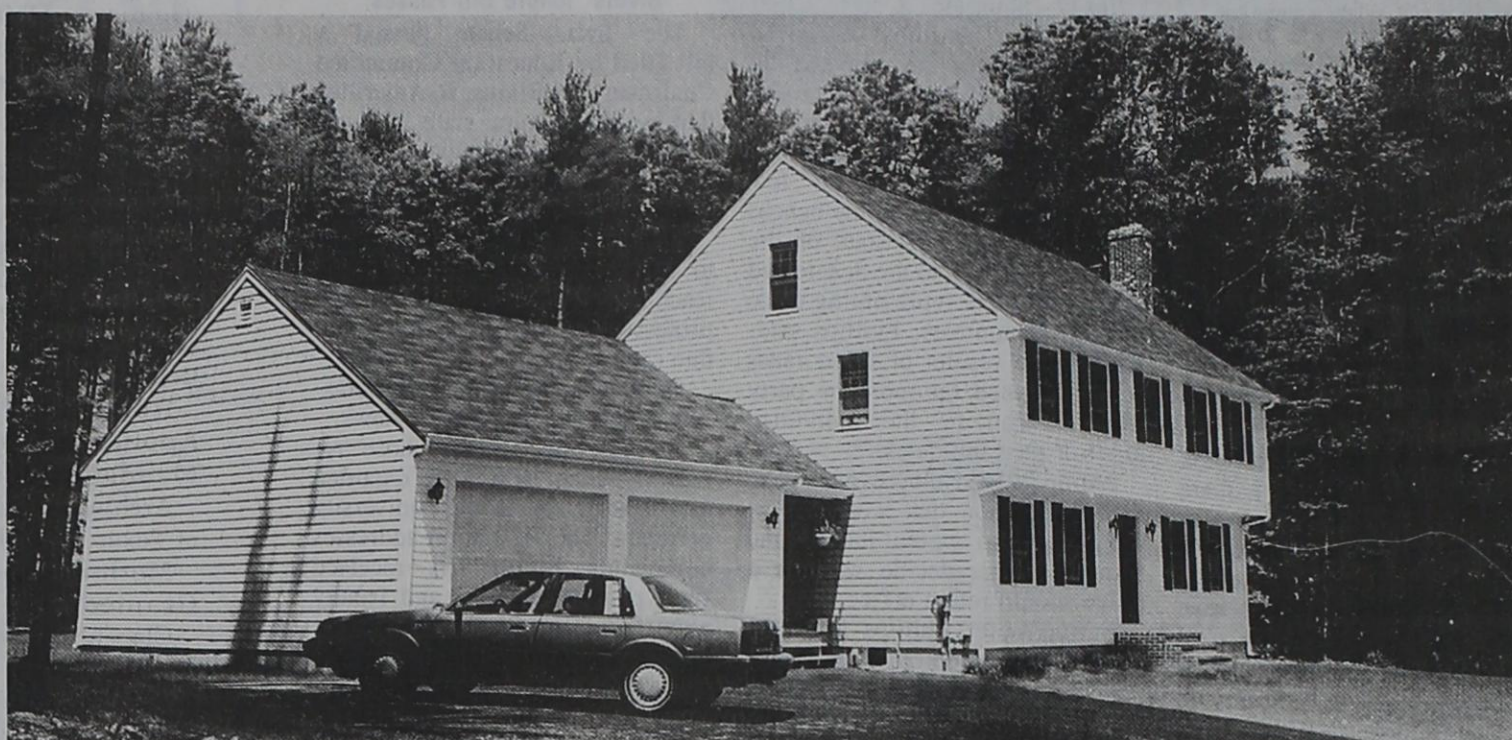
method of cleaning the air in your home. It's a tested, proven method that has brought relief to thousands of homeowners nationwide. It's a solution called THE HYPOGENIC HOME™. You can only achieve a HypoGenic Home by effectively implementing the 6 ways listed below of reducing the concentrations of pollution in your home. You can only get the HypoGenic Home by calling the number below. The call is TOLL FREE. A trained specialist will come to your home and examine it for toxic, polluted air. If your home suffers from damaging polluted air, you may opt for one or more of the 6 home air pollution busters.

The HypoGenic Home is accomplished by a nationwide network of highly trained heating/air conditioning specialists I'm involved with who know what to look for and how to solve the problem in the easiest way possible.

Here are some of the benefits you could get from a HypoGenic Home...

- Feel better, rest better
- Rid your home of common irritants
- Give yourself sharper concentration
- End symptoms of depression caused by poor air quality
- Get rid of stuffiness
- Increase your energy
- Eliminate odors and reduce carcinogens from your home
- Reduce your need for medical visits
- Give yourself a new, restful sleep
- Live a longer, fuller life
- Dust your furniture less often
- Remove many toxins from the air
- Give yourself peace of mind

Today, more than ever, common illness symptoms are due to poor indoor air quality. Formaldehyde, dust mites, household chemicals and a multitude of irritants invade your home constantly. These toxins and microorganisms can seriously impair you and your family every day. The HypoGenic Home specialist can remove these problems... and improve the qual-



## How your house could be robbing you and your family of vital energy and optimum health.

### HypoGenic Homeowners Speak

"I never thought they'd invent something this good. It has completely eliminated the smoking odors that always bothered me. Last week I cooked fish and you'd never know I did. It's truly amazing. The whole house smells so fresh now. I've always felt badly when guests came over and now I don't have to worry. I'm no longer stuffed up with all the stale odors that used to be in the house. I generally feel better now and I had allergies all year. I'd like to tell everybody about this!"

Mrs. Lattie Small, Ohio

Her husband was a smoker. She, her husband and their cleaning lady noticed a miraculous difference in only 3 days.

"We installed a UV germicidal unit and immediately recovered from our flu-like symptoms. We were able to remain in the house until the remodeling was complete. Generally, we've all been healthier and our kids even have better school attendance! We're less concerned with the periodic influenza alerts because if one of the kids comes home with the sniffles, it won't affect the entire family."

Mr. Whitney Fisher, Indiana

After installing a HypoGenic Home System during the remodeling of his home.

"It was not a pretty sight! When I removed the grill, it looked like a hairy pit. I even called my wife. It almost looked like something was living in there! We decided to have the ducts cleaned and the difference is unbelievable. We feel better; the house smells better; and Amy doesn't have to dust the furniture as often. Now when little Chris rubs his eyes, we know he's only tired."

Mr. & Mrs. John Camie, St. Louis

"Before having my ducts cleaned and the installation of the HEPA HypoGenic Filter, I had to be hospitalized regularly. Within 24 hours of entering the hospital, I always began to breathe more easily. And when I returned to my home, I would become ill again. It has been eight months since I installed the HypoGenic equipment and I haven't been back to the hospital once! Not only do I have overall improved health, but I also sleep better at night. I perform better at my job because I sleep better now and I have much more stamina to make it through the day. I'm amazed at how much cleaner the air in our home has been."

Mr. Don Wood, Utah

Suffering from cystic fibrosis, a pulmonary disease. Coupled with asthma, he was literally breathless for years before becoming a HypoGenic Home owner.

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Indoor pollutants are the major cause of many of today's illnesses. Nausea, etc., could be symptoms of poor air. Most people are content to live in conditions they feel they cannot control. Today's technology can reduce or eliminate the constant physical problems you endure. By using the HypoGenic Air System, you can create a healthier atmosphere for your family.

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## The 6-Step Program to Achieve a HypoGenic Home

**1. Dilution** - If you have a high concentration of toxic compounds in your indoor air, the HypoGenic Home Specialist will recommend a method to mix clean air with the "stuffy" air. If the weather is good, you could always open the doors and windows. But what about when the weather's bad? We've discovered a way to do it without sacrificing the heating and air conditioning of your home.

**2. Absorption** - If the HypoGenic Home Specialist detects the presence of formaldehyde, benzene or other toxins in your home... and believe me, it's in more homes than you might expect... he might recommend ACTIVATED CARBON. It will absorb many of the compounds.

**3. Filtration** - Most heating/air filtration systems are not very effective. The HypoGenic Home Specialist recommends filters up to 12,000 times more efficient than a typical supermarket or hardware store throwaway brand. A good filtration system will remove particulates between 1 and 10 microns. The HypoGenic Home Specialist will check your filters for efficiency.

**4. Oxidation (The Thunderstorm Effect)** - One of the secret weapons of the HypoGenic Home Specialist is to introduce activated oxygen... better known as OZONE... into your home. This method actually imitates a THUNDERSTORM. The electrical discharge of lightning restructures oxygen molecules into an unstable molecule known as "trivalent oxygen" or ozone. When ozone encounters a pollutant, one of its oxygen atoms breaks away and oxidizes the pollutant. This makes an effective way to eliminate odors and nasty microbes.

**5. Irradiation (UV Light Kills Germs)** - Many indoor pollutants will be completely destroyed when a HypoGenic Home Specialist introduces a germicidal UV "Light" wave to the toxic compounds and infectious agents. This process alone could be worth the entire trouble of making your home safe from indoor pollution.

**6. Physical Removal** - A HypoGenic Home Specialist will physically inspect your heating/AC ducts. It is not uncommon to find up to 4 inches of vitality-robbing dust, mold and debris growing in your duct work.

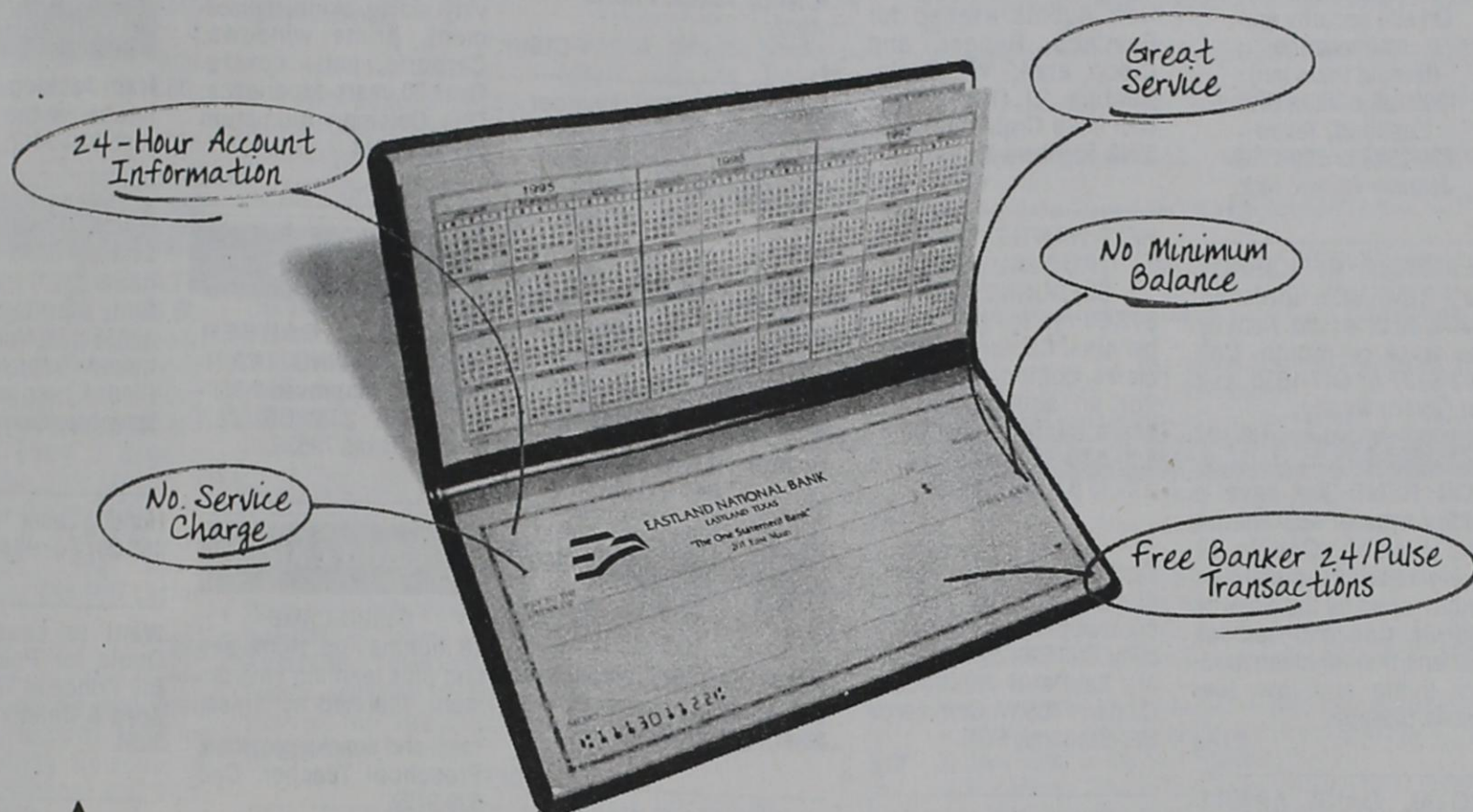




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First, (unless it gets cold and stays cold) my business is normally slow during this time of year. And I decided that rather than layoff my top technicians, (and add to the unemployment statistics) I would rather strip out everything but my raw cost and keep my technicians busy. Second, I'll actually make money on this in the long run anyway. Most people who sample my service like it so much they use me again at our normal prices. So, both of us win. You'll just win sooner than I will. Anyway, doesn't it just make sense to get this service so your family doesn't have to live with the uncertainty of an unsafe furnace?

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The City of Ranger is accepting bids to re-roof the City Hall building located at 400 West Main. Bids will be received until 5 p.m. on March 10, 1997, and will be opened at a regular meeting that same night. The City of Ranger reserves the right to reject any and all bids not in the best interest of the City. R20

The City of Ranger is accepting bids for property located at the intersection of Wayland Road and Sunset. The property currently houses the City's old Cemetery House. The house has been sold and the lot only is for sell. Bids will be received until 5:00 p.m. on March 24, 1997, and will be opened at a Regular Meeting that same night. The City of Ranger reserves the right to reject any and all bids not in the best interest of the City. R24

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According to the general rule for corporate estimated taxes, the IRS won't charge a penalty as long as a company pays in current-year estimated tax at least the amount that was owed on the preceding year's return. However, this "safe harbor" is available only when at least some tax was owed for the earlier period. If a company shows zero tax liability in a given year, next year's estimated payments must equal 100% of the expected tax liability for that year. As a result of this quirk in the law, you might want to plan corporate income and deductions so that you always show at least some taxable income and some tax liability.

Example: Your corporation will incur a small operating loss this year. Next year is likely to be more profitable, with the company projected to owe about \$100,000 in federal income tax. If you do no planning, you will be required to pay next year's tax bill in full via quarterly installments of \$25,000 each, creating a potential cash flow crunch just when your company might need liquidity.

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Warning: If this planning strategy might apply in your situation, you should note that the safe harbor exception is only available to corporations with taxable income of less than \$1 million for each of the preceding three years.

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**Top Video Rentals**

- Phenomenon** starring John Travolta (Buena Vista - Rated: PG) New Entry
- A Time To Kill** Sandra Bullock (Warner - R) No. 1
- The Rock** Sean Connery (Buena Vista - R) No. 3
- Kingpin** Woody Harrelson (MGM/UA - PG-13) No. 8
- Chain Reaction** Keanu Reeves (Fox Video - PG-13) No. 4
- The Nutty Professor** Eddie Murphy (MCA/Universal - PG-13) No. 7
- Fled** Laurence Fishburne (MGM/UA - R) No. 12
- The Island Of Dr. Moreau** Marlon Brando (Turner - PG-13)
- Fargo** Frances McDormand (Polygram - R) No. 9
- Tin Cup** Kevin Costner (Warner - R) No. 2
- Bordello Of Blood** Dennis Miller (MCA/Universal - R) New Entry
- Striptease** Demi Moore (Columbia TriStar - R) No. 10
- Eraser** Arnold Schwarzenegger (Warner - R) No. 11
- Independence Day** Will Smith (Fox Video - PG-13) No. 13
- The Frighteens** Michael J. Fox (MCA/Universal - R) No. 14
- Matilda** Danny DeVito (Columbia TriStar - PG) No. 15
- Dragonheart** Sean Connery (MCA/Universal - PG-13) No. 17
- Mission: Impossible** Tom Cruise (Paramount - PG-13) No. 18
- Welcome To The Dollhouse** Heather Matarazzo (Columbia TriStar - R) New Entry
- Primal Fear** Richard Gere (Paramount - R) No. 19

**Top 10 Singles**

- Spice Girls** "Wannabe" (Virgin) Last Week: No. 2
- En Vogue** "Don't Let Go (Love)" (EastWest/EEG) No. 1
- Puff Daddy (Feat. Mase)** "Can't Nobody Hold Me Down" (BadBoy/Arista) No. 4
- Babyface** "Everytime I Close My Eyes" (Epic) No. 6
- Gina G** "Ooh Aah...Just A Little Bit" (Eternal/Warner) No. 5
- Jewel** "You Were Meant For Me" (Atlantic) No. 11
- No Mercy** "Where Do You Go" (Arista) No. 7
- Dru Hill** "In My Bed" (Island) No. 9
- No Mercy** "Please Don't Go" (Arista) New Entry
- Whitney Houston** "I Believe In You And Me" (Atlantic) No. 3

**Top R&B/Soul**

- Erykah Badu** "On & On" (Kedar/Universal) Last Week: No. 1
- Puff Daddy (Feat. Mase)** "Can't Nobody Hold Me Down" (Arista) No. 2
- Dru Hill** "In My Bed" (Island) No. 4
- Spice Girls** "Wannabe" (Virgin) No. 5
- Mc Lyte** "Cold Rock A Party" (EastWest/EEG) No. 11
- Babyface** "Everytime I Close My Eyes" (Epic) No. 10
- DJ Cool** "Let Me Clear My Throat" (Warner) New Entry
- Gina G** "Ooh Aah...Just A Little Bit" (Eternal/Warner) No. 8
- Montell Jordan** "What's On Tonight" (Def Jam/Mercury) No. 33
- En Vogue** "Don't Let Go (Love)" (EastWest/EEG) No. 3

**Top C&W Singles**

- Vince Gill** "Pretty Little Adriana" (MCA) Last Week: No. 2
- Brooks & Dunn** "A Man This Lonely" (Arista) No. 3
- Clint Black** "Half Way Up" (MCA) No. 4
- Faith Hill** "I Can't Do That Anymore" (Warner) No. 5
- Deanna Carter** "We Danced Anyway" (Capitol Nashville) No. 7
- Travis Tritt** "Where Corn Don't Grow" (Warner) No. 8
- Rick Trevino** "Running Out Of Reasons To Run" (Columbia) No. 9
- Clay Walker** "Rumor Has It" (Giant Album Cut/Reprise) No. 10
- Mark Chesnutt** "It's A Little Too Late" (Decca) No. 1
- LeAnn Rimes** "Unchained Melody" (Curb Album Cut) No. 24

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**The Chopping Block**  
by Philomena Corradeno

Jim Coleman, executive chef of Philadelphia's Treetops restaurant, calls tomatoes "culinary gems." And with good reason, because tomatoes not only add a finishing touch to any number of dishes, but they impart flavor, color and nutrients.

Nothing can compete with the tomato garnish. Put a beef patty in a roll, for instance, and that's all it is — a beef patty in a roll. But, top the patty with a slice of ripe tomato and you've got a juicy, luscious meal.

Fortunately, we can buy tomatoes any time. Florida grows and ships some of the finest which are harvested just under the "ripe" stage. They reach a bright red, slightly soft state with only a few days at room temperature, on your kitchen table or counter, not in the fridge — cold stops the ripening and kills the flavor you expect.

Don't look on the tomato as just a sandwich add-on. Chef Coleman created an open-faced gem that makes the tomato the principal ingredient. Slices of hearty bread are brushed with basil-flavored olive oil and broiled briefly, then topped with layers of tomato, onion and basil. Then it's ready for your knife and fork.

In the second recipe, tomatoes are the stars, stuffed with a flavorful blend of cooked small elbow macaroni and condensed cheddar cheese soup, sprinkled with bread crumbs and baked, making a fine main dish.

**FRESH TOMATO AND ONION OPEN-FACED SANDWICH**  
2 or 3 small (8 ounces) fresh Florida tomatoes  
15 (1/4-inch thick) slices French or Italian bread  
2 tablespoons extra virgin olive oil  
1 1/2 teaspoons finely chopped basil or 1/2 teaspoon dried basil  
3/4 teaspoon minced garlic  
Pinch crushed red pepper  
8 very thin slices sweet onion

**15 fresh basil leaves**  
Ground black pepper  
**Balsamic Vinaigrette\***  
Use tomatoes held at room temperature until fully ripe. Cut both ends off each tomato; save for another use. From centers, cut 15 quarter-inch thick slices; set aside. Preheat broiler. Place bread on large shallow baking dish; set aside. In a cup, combine oil, chopped basil, garlic and red pepper. Using a pastry brush, lightly brush half the oil mixture over bread slices. Broil about 2 inches from heat until golden, 30 seconds to 1 minute; turn slices. Brush bread with remaining olive oil mixture; broil until golden, 30 seconds to 1 minute. Cut tomato and onion slices in halves. On each toast slice, layer 1/2 tomato slice, 1/2 onion slice, 1 basil leaf and 1/2 tomato slice; sprinkle lightly with black pepper. Just before serving, drizzle each sandwich with 1/4 to 1/2 teaspoon Balsamic Vinaigrette (recipe follows). Makes 5 servings.

\* **Balsamic Vinaigrette**  
1 tablespoon extra virgin olive oil  
1 1/2 teaspoons balsamic vinegar  
3/4 teaspoon minced garlic  
1/4 teaspoon sugar, optional  
1/8 teaspoon salt  
In a cup, whisk oil,

vinegar, garlic, sugar and salt until blended. Makes about 2 tablespoons.

**BAKED STUFFED TOMATOES**  
8 large tomatoes  
1 small onion, finely chopped  
1/4 teaspoon dried basil leaves, crushed  
2 tablespoons butter or margarine  
1 (11-ounce) can condensed Cheddar cheese soup  
2 tablespoons milk  
3 cups cooked small elbow macaroni  
1/8 cup black pepper  
1/4 cup fine dry bread crumbs

Cut slice from top of tomatoes; set aside. Scoop out pulp leaving 1/4-inch shell. Chop pulp and reserved tomato slice (cut from top); drain; set aside. In saucepan, cook onion with basil in butter until tender. Add soup, milk, macaroni, 1/2 cups reserved tomato pulp and pepper. Heat; stir occasionally. Fill tomato shells with hot macaroni mixture; top with bread crumbs. Arrange in 3-quart shallow baking dish; bake in 375F. oven 12 minutes or until done. Makes 8 servings.  
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## State Rep. Jim Keffer Promoting Legal Reform

Austin-State Representative Jim Keffer has sponsored legislation aimed at reforming the Texas legal system. The package of tort reform bills is designed to curb frivolous lawsuits and limit unreasonable awards.

House Bill 1022, the Judgment Reform Act would allow a jury to consider payments already made to a plaintiff before awarding additional compensation. Under current law, juries can unintentionally award multiple recoveries for the same injury because they are never informed of payments that have previously been awarded to a claimant. The bill would also limit so-called "wind-fall interest" awards by restricting the interest an award could earn during unnecessary legal delays.

Keffer is also supporting an act that would relieve property owners of liability for criminal acts committed on their property unless gross negligence can be proven. Property owners would also be excused from injuries that occur on their property if the claimant had voluntarily engaged in an activity he or she knew to be dangerous.

"These measures are about common sense," Keffer said. "Tort law should not hold defendants responsible for damage they don't cause. People deserve reasonable compensation for injuries they suffer as a result of another individual's negligence, but our system unfairly allows people to reap monetary gain disproportionate to the ac-

tual damages." Representative Keffer is also coauthoring a bill that would require courts to consider claims filed by Texas residents or claims that arise in Texas before

considering out-of-state lawsuits. It would give judges the ability to export out-of-state claims to the states in which they originate. "This bill does not deprive out-of-state claims their day in court," said Keffer. "It merely sends cases to the courts in which they belong and allows Texas courts to serve Texas residents better."

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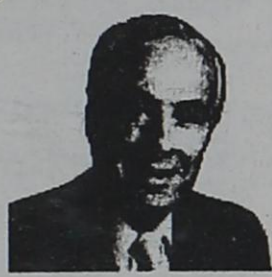
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Dear Mr. Ross: My 37 year old husband is legally blind as a result of too much oxygen after his premature birth. He's healthy as a horse except for his eyes. He cannot drive a vehicle and receives a disability check of less than \$800 a month. I wish you knew him because he's one of a kind. He's never bitter or hateful and he never complains.

A couple of weeks ago, he was helping my cousin move when an overhead box fell on my husband, knocking his glasses off. These are no ordinary glasses. The right lens has only a clear lens because he has no vision in that eye. The left lens has two special lenses mounted in the carrier lens. They look like a rifle scope. One is microscopic for reading and the other is telescopic for distance. Needless to say they are very expensive. We took out a loan of \$1,800 to pay for them. Now the cost of repair is \$420. Thank God they can be repaired, but only if you help. I already work a second job and we just can't come up with \$420. I wouldn't normally ask, but I'm desperate to have my husband's limited vision restored. He's so deserving.

Mrs. S. F. ... Commercial Appeal, Memphis, TN

Dear Mrs. F.: As I was reading your letter and got to the part where you said your husband's glasses cost \$1,800, I thought, "Dear God, please let there be an alternative." Whew! The cost of \$420 lets me off the hook cheap and I'm rushing it on to you today. Bottom line—your husband sounds very deserving and even if it took \$1,800 to get the job done, I would have sent it.

Mr. Ross: My husband's mother was recently diagnosed with Hepatitis B. She is now on a liver transplant waiting list. As you are probably aware, Hepatitis B is much more contagious than the HIV virus. Unlike HIV, thankfully, there is a vaccine to protect against Hepatitis B. This is where my request comes in. My husband and two of my children have not had the

vaccine. I have had it because I am a volunteer on a local ambulance service. Although we are lucky enough to have health insurance, immunizations are not covered. My husband and I both work, but finding the extra money has proven impossible. I've checked with the local county health department and the cost is \$65 for each child and \$130 for adults. Could you please find a way to share \$260 of your wealth and make a mother a little less concerned every time her children visit with their grandmother?

Mrs. P. N. ... The News, Saginaw, MI

Dear Mrs. N.: Find a way? For this cause, I'd create a way if I had to. The \$260 I'm sending will reunite your extended family. Thanks for the eye opener/wake up call.

Dear Mr. Ross: I want you to know that I've been crazy darn near all my life. Fact is, I'm so crazy sometimes it scares me. Not only am I crazy, I'm also poor. My life is just plain miserable. Why just last week me and Harold (that's my dog) were out walking around checking dumpsters for something to eat when we run into this fat lady. I was telling her what a good dog Harold was and this lady has the gall to ask me how come Harold only has three legs. I said, "Shoot, lady, doesn't everybody know you can't eat a good dog like Harold all at one time?" So, Mr. Ross, if you could see your way clear to send me a couple hundred, I would use the money to buy some good food and leave Harold alone. Please hurry though because I'm real hungry and Harold is getting mighty nervous. Just send cash to Western Union and I'll pick it up.

Mr. H. G. ... The Press, Evansville, IN

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# Moran News

By Mrs. Luke Huskey

Alfred Agnew received treatment in the Eastland Hospital, last week.

Darrell Hammons had by pass surgery in Hendricks Hospital, Tuesday.

Mrs. Charles Landsdale of Athens is at the bedside of her father, Darrell Hammons who is receiving treatment in Hendricks Hospital.

Moran and community was blessed with more rain Saturday night and Sunday morning. About 1 and 1/2 inches fell. Sunday morning, water was flowing across streets and standing in holes, as the ground was soaked. The rain is very beneficial, but people are beginning to complain as so much has fallen. The grass and weeds are growing, and a lawn mower will be in use as soon as the ground dries. This morning, (Monday) the sun was shining and the day is beautiful.

Remember the Moran City election and the Moran School trustee election will be held on Saturday, May 3. The City election will be held at the Moran City Hall. The School Trustee election will be held at the Moran Community Center. If you would like for your name to be on either ballot contact the City secretary for a place on the City Council

and the Moran School for a place on the trustee ballot.

The Moran School students will be on Spring Break next week, March 10-14. The children will be out playing, so be careful and watch for them. Classes will resume on Monday, March 17.

## Putnam Musical Friday

Putnam Musical will be Friday, March 7th. It is held in the old school building south of I-20. Kitchen opens at 5:30 p.m. and the music will start

## Baird COFC 6th Annual Art Show And Sale

Come visit Baird's 6th annual Art Show and Sale on Saturday, March 15, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Baird Activity Center at 228 Walnut. Local artists and artists from all over the area will have their work of art on display for the public to view.

Entries will be accepted Thursday, March 13 from 4 to 7 p.m. at the Baird Activity Center. Entry fee is \$3.00 per entry with a limit of six paintings. Judging will be Friday, March 14 and winners will be notified by phone Friday afternoon. For more information contact the Baird Chamber of Commerce at 915-854-2003.

## Southwestern Peanut Growers To Nominate Committee Member

Peanut Growers of the Southwest — primarily Oklahoma, Texas, New Mexico, Arizona, Arkansas, California and Louisiana — will meet at the Atascosa County Show Barn, State Hwy. #97 between Pleasanton and Jourdan, Texas on Thursday, March 6, 1997, to elect a grower member

## Putnam Musical Friday

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and alternate to the Peanut Administrative Committee.

The meeting is scheduled for 7 p.m. (CST) in conjunction with a meeting of the Atascosa County Peanut Growers Association. The nominations part of the meeting will be at the top of the agenda, immediately following a barbecue dinner.

Gary Dillingham and Lane Campbell, Peanut Administrative Committee Field Representatives, will conduct the nominations.

Luther Y. Clearman, III, Manager of the Peanut Administrative Committee explains that the Committee administers the Peanut Marketing Agreement. The Committee is made up of growers, shellers, and the Area Association Managers, and recommends peanut marketing regulations to be issued by the U.S. Secretary of Agriculture under the Agreement.

Though these regulations are applicable only to signatory handlers under the Agreement, they generally affect the entire industry.

The grower member position to be filled is currently held by Harvey Schneider of Pleasanton, Texas. The Alternate position is occupied by Edward Laskowski of Stockdale, Texas. Both terms expire on April 30, 1997. Both men are eligible for renomination.

A special program of interest to the peanut industry will be held in conjunction with the meeting, says Ross Wilson, Manager of Southwestern Peanut Growers Association. The Atascosa Association invites all peanut growers from all Southwestern Area states to attend and participate in the nominations.

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## The Chopping Block

by Philomena Corradeno

When you read about today's gifted, notable chefs or hear them being interviewed, you find that a great many of them say their interest in food and cooking was sparked when they were very young, as they watched or helped their mothers or grandmothers work in their kitchens. So was mine.

My mother let us come in when she cooked, with certain rules: If we spilled, we wiped up immediately, and washed our hands, and we had to stay out of her way if she was handling hot stuff or was at the open oven. Now we're grateful for this early training and we remember fondly how our mother cooked for nine and how patient she was, and how our father often taught us some of his specialties (though he used too many pots and pans and left them for us to clean).

Why am I telling you this? Because too many parents today, being more pressured for time than ours were, keep their kids out of the kitchen. They don't have time to do it, or explain what they're doing or answer questions. The result is that young adults often go off on their own without knowing the difference between a skillet and a saucepan.

On relaxed days, if there be such a thing, on Saturday or Sunday, let the children help or even take over. There are lots of simple things they can do, with supervision when necessary. They can, for instance, make a batch of biscuits using a prepared mix. If they're too young, you might do the kneading. They can pour ingredients into a blender, push the on button and produce a colorful, healthful fruit shake.

Because kids love color in food, we've chosen blueberries for interest and nutrition. Blueberries in winter? Sure, you'll find them in the frozen section all year so enjoy them now and you'll repeat these recipes when the fresh blues

come to market. The frozen come in poly bags or boxes and should be handled moving freely when the package is shaken. They have all the flavor and nutrients of the fresh because they are flash-frozen as soon as they are harvested.

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1 12-ounce package frozen blueberries, unthawed, or 2 1/2 cups fresh blueberries  
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2/3 cup milk  
2 tablespoons sugar  
1 teaspoon ground cinnamon  
1/2 cup apricot jam  
Heat oven to 450F. Reserve 1/2 cup blueberries for garnish. In a large bowl, combine baking mix, milk, sugar, cinnamon and remaining 2 cups blueberries. Stir just until soft dough forms. Turn dough onto surface dusted with baking mix; knead 5 times. Roll 1/2-inch thick; cut dough with a 3-inch heart or other shaped cookie cutter. Place on ungreased cookie sheet. Gently

re-roll and cut out the scraps; place on cookie sheet. Bake until golden brown, 8 to 10 minutes. To serve: Slice biscuits horizontally in halves; spread apricot preserves on bottom halves; cover with tops. Serve with reserved blueberries and whipped cream, if desired. (Any unfilled biscuits may be frozen for later use.) Makes 8 portions.

### BLUEBERRY ORANGE WHIRL

1 12-ounce package frozen blueberries, unthawed, or 2 1/2 cups fresh blueberries  
1 8-ounce container vanilla low-fat yogurt  
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In an electric blender, whirl blueberries, yogurt, orange juice, milk and vanilla until smooth. Serve immediately. Makes 3 1/2 cups; 4 servings.

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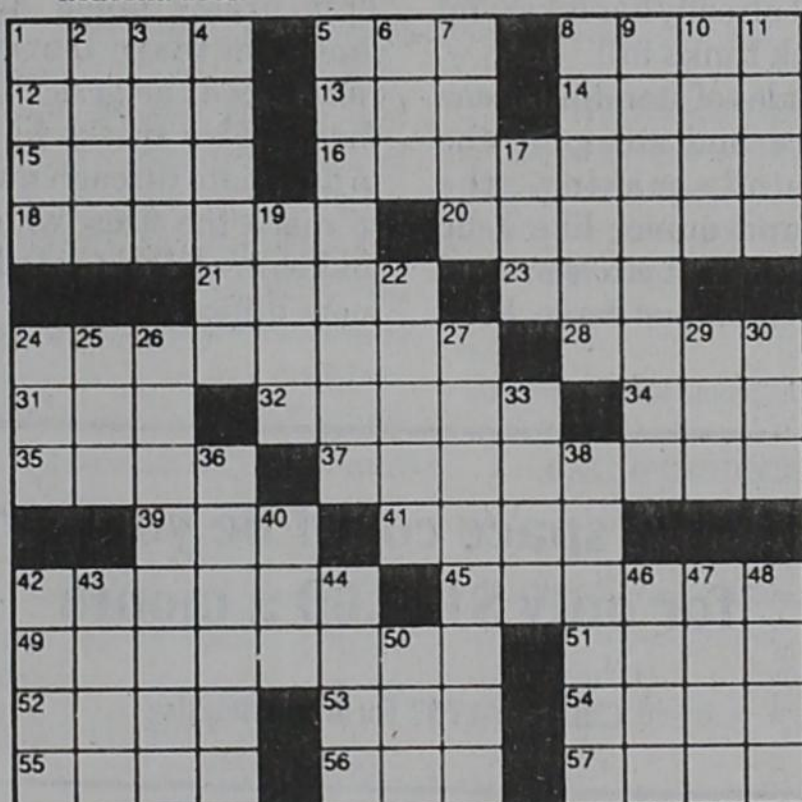
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Headlight Queen.....	Pam Mason
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**JUNIOR HIGH FAVORITES**

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Seventh Grade Class Favorite.....	Todd Vestal
Seventh Grade Class Favorite.....	Mandi Cauten

ELEMENTARY FAVORITES

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## Covenant healing class to be held at Baird church

**Clyde** - The next six-week Support and Bible Study Group for women begins Sunday, March 9th, in the Fellowship Hall of Bible Baptist church on F.M. 604 South in Clyde. We will meet each Sunday afternoon from 3:00 to 4:30. **Covenant Healing** deals with such issues as: the importance of physical, emotional, and spiritual healing; the process of healing; exchanging anger for joy; forgiveness: what it is, what it isn't, and how to achieve it; hope for the future; and finding peace and comfort in life. The purpose of **Covenant Healing** is to point the hurting person to the healer of hurts. It is only through surrendering our lives completely to the Great Physician that we can achieve the freedom

that Christ can give. You will learn how to search the Scriptures for yourself to find the special healing that God has for you alone. You will learn how to share this gift with others. You will discover anew the importance of prayer in the process of healing.

If this sounds like something that would be helpful to you, please call Bible Baptist Church in Clyde to register for this 6-week Support and bible Study group. There is no charge financially, however a six-week commitment of your time is necessary. For more information, or to register, please call Pastor David McGraw or Mrs. Donna McGraw at the Church at 893-5851, or at home in the evening at 677-5326.

## Octogenarian honored

On Sunday, February 23, 1997, the 80th Birthday was celebrated for Clarice Rachel Black at Canterbury Villa of Baird. She was honored with the come and go event by her children and grandchildren between 2 and 4 p.m. They were served cake and punch.

The 43 in attendance were: Ealy and Mary Martha Black of Cisco; Eddie, Sue, Geb and Jamie Black of Abilene; John Paul and Carol Ann Black of Baird; Steve, Misty, Joshua, Jeremiah and Brody Black of Baird; Kenneth, Catherine, Aaron, Daniel and Rebekah Brock of Baird; Bob, Dee and Rachel Chandana of Carrollton; Martha Lynn Foley of Carrollton; Don

and Ola Faye Howard of Stephenville; Eddie and Mary Howard of Dublin; Judson Lee, Millie and Ricky Pitts of Cisco; Bob and Marguerite Price of Fort Worth; Ron and Alice Cushman Price of Stephenville; Ralph, Cheryl and Jonathan Roach of Baird; Juanita Senter of Baird; Herman and Paula Stoner of Sherman; Louise Stoner of Gordon; Sam and Jennye Townsend of Cross Plains; Tom Vittrup of Duncanville.

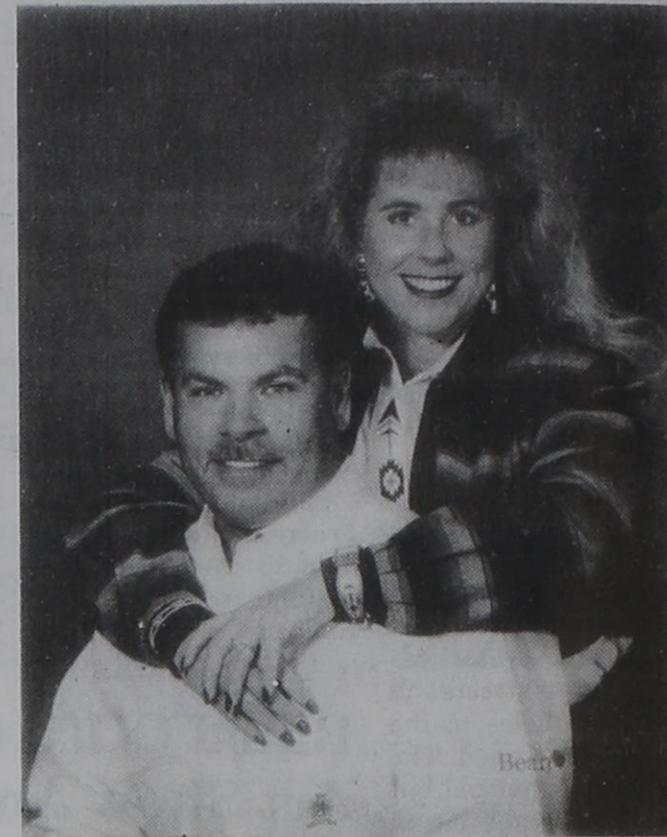
The family of Clarice Black wishes to thank, Faye Houston, the administrator, Johnnie Plunk, the activity director, and the nurses and staff of Canterbury Villa of Baird for affording us the opportunity to enjoy this celebration.

# WEDDING BELLS



## Champion- Fisher

**Abilene** - Tommie Ballinger, Tx. He is a 1992 graduate of Abilene, Tx would like to announce the engagement of their daughter, Melissa Lee Champion to Michael Don Fisher, formerly of the Clyde-Baird area. Melissa is a 1996 graduate of Wylie High School and attends Angelo State University. Michael is the son of Donald and Trish Fisher of



## Fisher - Nail

**Ballinger, Tx** - Hospital School of Radiology. Michelle is employed as a medical assistant for Dr. Max Frankum of Dallas Medical Associates. Billy Nail is the son of C.V. Nail and the late Loretta Nail of Hutchins, Tx. Billy is self-employed as a contractor and rancher in the Dallas area. The wedding has been set for July 19th at the United Methodist Church in Ballinger, Tx.

## Area receives more rain

Another 1.3 (one and three tenths) inches of rain fell Saturday night and Sunday morning during a thunderstorm to start March off wet. We did miss the very severe weather that struck east Texas and Arkansas.

This is on top of close to six inches in February that already has lakes and stock tanks full. Tales of standing in one place and stomping the ground making the ground quiver like Jello in a six foot circle around the stomper have been

common lately. Ranchers are praising the moisture although a little sunshine would help the wheat grow now. Clyde and Cross Plains Fire Departments battled some small grass fires last week. Other fire departments have also had to respond to grass fire calls. This pretty much disproves the theory that the rain ended the grass fire threat. Fire trucks have to negotiate through mud to reach the fires, which makes fire fighting all the more difficult.

## Baird Little League to hold meeting

**Baird** - The Baird Little League will be holding a meeting March 11th at 6:30 p.m. at the U-U Steakhouse. The purpose of this meeting will be to elect officers for the fast approaching season. Anyone interested in being an officer or being on the Board of Directors is urged to attend this meeting. We would greatly appreciate everyone who is even interested in Little League to

attend this meeting. In order to have a successful season we will need all the volunteers and Board members we can get, because without your help we cannot have a good Little League program for the boys and girls of Baird. If you need more information please contact Rick Burks 854-1102, Tom Walker 854-1115, Cathy Green 854-1837, or Brend Lewis 854-5994.

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## Vandals hit B.H.S.

By Billy Harris,  
Baird Correspondent  
Six Baird Elementary students learned that vandalism will not be tolerated at their school.

The Baird Junior High dressing room was ransacked Saturday March 1 with boys Jr. High track team members missing some personal belongings and eye glasses being broken. The

vandals spray painted graffiti around the elementary playground. Superintendent Steve Maikell said the damage amounted to less than two hundred dollars and the school is handling the matter, no criminal charges have been filed at this time. All of the students received reprimands and suspensions from regular classes.

## 12 fires reported on stretch of I-20

by Billy Harris,  
Baird Correspondent  
Three area Volunteer Fire Departments chased down at least 12 fires along IH-20 from mile marker 313 east of Baird to mile marker 304 just east of Clyde Tuesday, March 4.

Baird, Clyde, and Moran Fire Departments spent about two hours extinguishing the blazes on the roadside and two fires that escaped into the pasture, one just west of Baird and the other just east of Baird. Between 50 and 100 acres were

estimated burned. A Baird fireman said it appeared that someone on the interstate was either dragging something or had a flat tire to cause sparks to start so many fires.



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## Baird wins opener

by Sarah Hatfield

Baird opened its high school boys' baseball season February 18, defeating the Eula Pirates by a score of 5-3. The game was called at the end of the fifth inning due to darkness.

The Baird Bears broke open the scoring in the third inning when Chad Barron made a nice triple base hit which enabled runners, Shannon Campbell and Britt Johnson, to score. The Bears led the Pirates 2-0 at the end of the inning. In the fourth inning, the

Eula Pirates picked up three runs. With the Bears not scoring, the tally changed to Eula 3, Baird 2.

Baird Bears' Shannon Campbell, Chad Barron, and Todd Rodriguez all had successful runs in the fifth. Baird held Eula to zip and the game ended with Baird winning 5-3.

Winning pitcher/catcher combo for Baird was Ryan Ward and Britt Johnson.

Baseball coaches for Baird are Tony Koch and Jeffrey Campbell.

## Baird loses to Hawley in extra innings

by Sarah Hatfield

The Baird Bears' baseball team traveled north, Friday, February 28, to take on the Hawley Bearcats. Although the two teams played long and hard, all the way to an extra inning, Hawley won the game 4-3.

Despite Kolt DaPron's hit in the second inning and Shannon Campbell's hit in the third, the Baird

Bears remained scoreless through the fourth inning. In the meantime, the Hawley Bearcats had collected two runs and led the Bears, 2-0.

The tide began to turn in the top of the fifth inning as Ryan Ward made a strong, well-placed hit, which batted in two runs for the Bears. Jim Scott who was on base with a



hit and Todd Rodriguez, who arrived by an error, both cleared home plate, and evened up the marks. Hawley was unable to score and the fifth inning closed with the teams tied 2-2.

Shane Devenport made a sound connection with the ball and hit in runner, Chad Barron, who was already on base with a hit. The Bears were able to hold the Bearcats throughout the bottom of the sixth and the inning closed with the Baird leading Hawley, 3-2.

The Bears were three up and three down in the seventh, and the Bearcats managed to score one. This left the game tied 3-3 at the end of the seventh.

In spite of the fact that Baird's Britt Johnson got on first base by an error and designated runner, Justin Rivera stole bases at second and third, the Bears were not able to score. The bottom of the eighth inning brought the game promptly to a close when Hawley scored on an error which was assigned to the Bears. The game ended with Hawley defeating Baird 4-3.

Baird scored three runs on six hits. Pitchers for

skills that can help guide us to higher ground, and to quality leadership in the organization.

The update on the Annual Award Banquet was given by Cindy Curtis. At this time there seems to be no problems and the banquet committee has worked hard to make it a success.

Barbara Corn was the decoration coordinator, and has selected the "Rockin' 50s" as the theme for this year's banquet. Special entertainment was at the banquet this year. Our entertainer of the evening was Krissi Jennings, Krissi is a junior at the High School and excels in all that she does.

Singing is just one of her many talents. This year shaped up to be one of the best banquets we've had.

As always the chamber thanks you for your continued support.

## School Board filings

by Billy Harris, Baird Correspondent  
Tony Robinson and Gerry McDowell filed for places on the Baird School Board this week. Incumbents McDowell and Butch Barron will try to retain their seats, Barron filed last week.

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## Chamber News

The monthly meeting for the Chamber of Commerce was February 26, 1997. Several items had been placed on the agenda for this meeting. One of the items was Parliamentary Procedures and Internal Procedures.

It is essential for the chamber to keep procedures that assist in organizing, meeting, committees, and projects. Without these basic principals the chamber could lose focus and not complete task at hand. We hope by having the Parliamentary Procedures, governed by the latest edition of Roberts' Rules of Order, that all members will be heard and the Directors will be more efficient.

Internal organization is the key to a successful chamber. All Board of Directors should have received a copy of these basic

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Feb. 28	Hawley	There	4:30
Mar. 4	Hawley	Here	4:30
Mar. 7	Abilene High (Soph)	Here	4:30
Mar. 18	A.C.H.S.	Here	4:30
Mar. 21	Abilene High (Fresh)	There	4:30
Mar. 25	A.C.H.S.	There	4:30
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* Apr. 4	Cross Plains	Here	5:30
* Apr. 8	May	Here	5:30
* Apr. 15	Sidney	There	5:30
* Apr. 18	Panther Creek	There	5:30
* Apr. 22	Miles	Here	5:30
* Apr. 28	Cross Plains	There	5:30
* May 02	May	There	5:30
* May 06	Sidney	Here	5:30

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