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Men In Service

Kenneth Powers

Air Force Cadet Kenneth Powers has completed Basic Cadet Training and earned the rank of cadet fourth class at the U.S. Air Force Academy,

Colorado Springs, Colo.

The cadet is one of more than 1,300 men and women who completed the rigorous six-week orientation program. The training prepares cadets to enter their first academic year at the academy.

The cadets completed the training in two phases. Phase one consisted of military and physical preparation which focused on the transition from civilian to military life. Phase two involved three weeks of field training on the academy grounds to participate in activities to extend their physical limitations and build self and group confidence.

The U.S. Air Force Academy curriculum offers education in the basics, engineering and social sciences, the humanities, and 30 other academic majors. At graduation, the cadet receives a bachelor of science degree and a commission of second

lieutenant in the Air Force. He is the son of Jack and Tina Powers of Private Road 2626, Clyde, Texas.

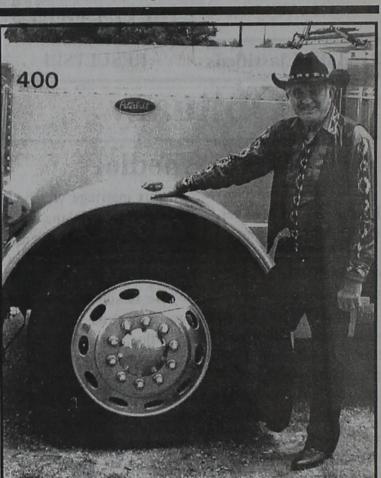
Powers is a 2004 graduate of Eula High School,

News From Baird ISD

Thursday, September 22, 2005



This week's student of the week at Baird Elementary is Jacey Barron, daughter of Jacob and Amanda Barron. She is in Mrs. Leveridge's Pre-K room.



Pictured is Marty Clifford

M.L. 'Marty' Clifford Has New CD

M.L. 'Marty' Clifford, Moran singer and songwriter, has released another CD, "Tire Kicking Driver."

It features the title song, a humorous truck driver song that Marty wrote himself, along with son, Marty III, and Wanda Ellis.

Carroll Parham of the Cross Timbers Opry, Stephenville, has publishing rights on the title song.

Also on the album is a song by Ft. Worth songwriter, Bob Bryan; four of the late, great Marty Robbins' songs; and Marty's rendition of "That's All Right."

Marty's son, Marty III, plays lead guitar on all songs; Wanda Ellis on keyboard and Clent Kniffen of Clyde plays the steel guitar and mandolin on the recordings.

Marty not only plays at musicals regional throughtout the year, but also plays occassionally at the Rig Steak House, Ft. Worth, on Mondays, as well as the Cross Timbers Opry, Stephenville, and various other locations.

Marty hopes everyone will enjoy his new CD which will be on sale at the Moran Center, Moran; and Al's Jewelry, Cisco. For booking information call 325-945-2008.

Famous Quote

This country will not be a good place for any of us to live in unless we make it a good place for all of us to live in .-- Theodore Roosevelt



Yo-Yo Extravaganza Held at Baird Elementary September 20th The Ned Show is a unique, character building assembly that combined yo-yo's, humor, and audience participation to teach our students characteristics in becoming a champion in school and life. Dalton York, a third grader, was selected to win a prize based on his answers of what a champion is to him.

Morgan Building Co., Eastland Adding Employees As Fast As Possible

To Help Build Housing For Storm Survivors Carpenters, helpers and teachers are desperately being sought at the Eastland Morgan Building plant, according to Local Manager Ken Martinez.

"We need at least 40 to 50 new workers immediately," Mr. Martinez said. The pay scale is from seven to twelve dollars an hour depending on abilities, he said.

The Eastland plant is expected to turn out at least 30 14 by 24, fully completed temporary housing units a week, ne said. "That means plumbing, wiring, floor covering, the whole nine yards," Martinez said.

He has set up an assembly line production system to meet the company needs to satisfy the contract.

"And there's plenty of time and a half over time available" he said, "because we're going to be running up to 60 hours a week."

He is attempting to keep his regular building production on schedule as well as turn out the special projects for the survivors of the Gulf Coast hurricane.

Applicants are urged to apply in person at the North Seaman Morgan plant anytime between 6 a.m. and 6 p.m. Applicants are being added as soon as they are accepted. All employees are subject to drug screening.

Baird First Baptist Church Schedule of Events

First Baptist Church 240 Race St Baird, Texas 79504 (325) 854-1574

(Nursery provided for worship services) Sunday School 9:45 am Worship Service 11:00 am Evening Worship 6:00 pm Wednesday Service 7:00 pm

Be in Prayer for all Hurricane Victims and those who have gone to give aid

Wednesday, September 21 at 7:00 pm Welcome to Prayer Meeting

Sunday, September 25 Meet with us for Sunday School and Morning Worship Ingathering for Mary Hill

Davis State Missions 11:00 am Guest Speaker Bay Forrest / 6:00 pm **Evening Worship**

Monday, September 26 Do you have news????? Turn it in today by 3 pm for our

monthly newsletter-articles of interest, poems, scriptures, etc

Wednesday, September 28 at 7:00 pm Prayer Meeting-Tentative date to start our

Prayer Seminar-Don't miss out on this -more information will be in the bulletin

Events coming soon!!!

OCTOBER FISH FRY watch for more info in your bulletin

Immunization Clinics

Texas Department of State Health Services Immunization Clinics in Callahan County Monday, October 10th Baird Cafetorium 400 W. 7th. Time: 10-12

Cross Plains Housing Authority 233 N. Main. Time:

Wednesday, October 12th Clyde First Baptist Church 216 Austin. Time: 10-12 & 1:30-3

Please bring child's Immunization Records

For more information call 325-754-4945

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DPS Report

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Obituary

Norvis Goodloe

AURORA, CA.- Norvis Goodloe died September 6, 2005 in Aurora, Colorado.

Arrangements are by Newcomer Funeral Home, Aurora, Colorado.

Memorial services were held Sunday, September 11, 2005, at 10 a.m. in the funeral home chapel.

Norvis was born October 31, 1935 to John Prentice and Sallie P. (Jones) Goodloe in San Saba County. He graduated from Baird High School in 1954. After serving four years in the U.S. Air Force, he worked for Wooten Holdsell Grocery in Abilene, Bank of New Mexico in Albuquerque, and the National Jewish Hospital and later Citicorp in Denver. He retired in 1987.

He married Carmen Elaine Nichols in 1963, in Albuquerque, New Mexico.

To this marriage was born two children, Diana Lynn Goodloe (Pace) and Dennis Lee Goodloe, of Aurora, Colorado.

He is survived by four grandchildren, Tyler Reed Goodloe, Amanda Goodloe, Melissa Jennings, and Desiree Jennings of Auora, CO.; two brothers, Noel Goodloe and wife Yolando of San Antonio, and Wayne Goodloe of Merkel; four sisters, Modene Morrison and husband Grady of Abilene, Nila Dean Sanford of Cisco, Joyce Carrigan of Tye, and Gay Hightower of Cisco; and numerous nieces, nephews, and cousins.

Norvis was preceded in death by his parents, his sister, Mabel Ruth (Goodloe) Gentry; and his nephew, Jimmie Lee McCuthchan, Jr.

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More Texans Are **Buckling Up And Driving Sober**

Stepped Up Law Enforcement and Public Education Get the Credit

The Texas Department of Transportation says campaigns to get motorists to buckle up and avoid drinking and driving are paying off. State and federal officials have announced that a record number of Texans are now using safety belts. Alcoholrelated traffic fatalities also are down for the second straight year.

The good news came as TxDOT officials and law officers across Texas gathered in Austin for a statewide traffic safety summit.

Click It or Ticket and Drink, Drive. Go to Jail initiatives launched four years ago are credited with the charges in driver behavior that officials say will save hundreds of lives and prevent thousands of injuries each year.

"We know campaigns that combine extensive advertising with stepped up law enforcement get positive results," said Carlos Lopez, TxDOT's director of traffic operations. "Thanks to Click It or Ticket, our safety belt compliance rate has gone from 76 percent in 2001 to almost 90 percent today. We expect the net effect will be 185 fewer traffic fatalities and 3,000 fewer injuries every year."

At 89.9 percent, safety belt use in Texas is at an all-time high since state laws were passed 20 years ago requiring drivers and passengers to buckle up.

State officials also cited findings from the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) showing traffic deaths in Texas caused by impaired drivers have dropped by 13 percent in the past two years. Federal officials report that 130 fewer people died in Texas last year in alcohol-related crashes than in 2003.

"These encouraging results could not have occurred without the contributions that law enforcement partners throughout Texas have made to traffic safety," said Lopez.

Baird I.S.D. Lunch Menu

Mon., Sept. 26

Chicken nuggets or Corndog, rosy applesauce, green beans, macaroni and cheese, hot roll, jello parfait, milk, fruit

Tues., Sept. 27 Chicken späghetti or Cheese pizza, tossed salad, mixed vegetables, hot roll, brownie, milk, fruit

Wed., Sept. 28 Chicken bites or Chicken

fried steak, gravy, mashed potatoes, black eyed peas, hot roll, chocolate chip cookie, milk, fruit

Thurs., Sept. 29

Chicken fajitas or Cheese enchiladas, Spanish rice, pinto beans, cornbread, cake, milk, fruit

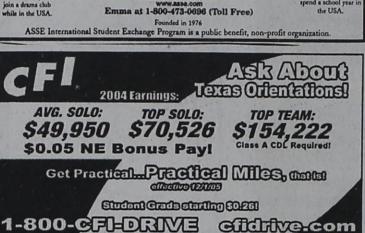
Fri., Sept. 30

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in the number of traffic fa-

talities in 2004. Though 238

fewer people were killed in

traffic crashes in Texas last

year, the Lone Star contin-

ues to lead the nation in an-

That's why TxDOT offi-

cials say motorists can ex-

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Beautifully landscaped frontyard and backyard surrounds this large beautiful 2 story, 3 BR, 4 bath home with WBFP and 2 CH/A units. Large kitchen with many nice cabinets and builtins. Garage, boat dock, 2 decks, plant room, sprinkler system, many large oak trees and many extra Williams.

ind many extras Williams, Broker Jimmy Williams

ting underway throughout Texas this month to find and arrest drunk drivers. Callahan County (Baird) Star

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SUBSCRIPTION RATES

THE PEPPERS COOK-BOOK 200 recipes from the Pepper Lady's Kitchen, by Jean Andrews. University of North Texas Press, P.O. Box 311336, Denton, TX 76203. \$29.95. 250 pages, 35 illus.

Award-winner Jean Andrews has been called "the first lady of chili peppers" and her own registered trademark, "The Pepper Lady". She now follows up on the success of her earlier books, Peppers: The Domesticated Capsicums and The Pepper Trail, with a new collection of more than two hundred recipes for pepper lovers everywhere.

Andrews begins with how to select peppers (with an illustrated glossary provided), how to store and peel them, and how to utilize various cooking techniques to unlock their flavors.

A chapter on typical ingredients used in pepper recipes will be a boon for the harried cook. The Peppers Cookbook also features a section on nutrition and two indexes, one by subject and one by recipe, for those searching for a recipe to use specific peppers found in the market.

The majority of the book, contains new recipes along with the best recipes from her award-winning The Pepper Trail book.

The mouth-watering recipes herein range from appetizers to main courses, sauces, and desserts, including Roasted Red Pepper Dip, Creamy Pepper and Tomato Soup, Jicama and Pepper Salad, Chipotle-Portabella Tartlets, Green Corn Tamale Pie, Anatolian Stew, South Texas Turkey with Tamale Dressing, Shrimp Amal, Couscous-Stuffed Eggplant, and Creamy Serrano Dressing.

Poetry Corner

My Faith

He said He would meet me in the morning

In the morning
In the sweet gentle voice of

His love.
As the birds sing so sweetly
Undisturbed by the deeds

of the world.

He said that He would meet me in the garden

While the dew is sparkling on the grass.

I feel His presence near me And know I have been

blessed.
He said that He would lead me

Although the path is weary and long.

There is a better place waiting

For this path will lead me home.

He said He would meet me in the evening
When the sun is setting in

When the sun is setting in the west.

This long weary day has

finally ended
With His love we have peace and rest.

By Bob Harbin

Super Notes

By David K. Perry Gorman School Superintendent

We began last week with our regularly scheduled school board meeting Monday evening. Present for the meeting were Bobby Rich, Daryl Hirst, Mark Simmons, Melinda Harrington, Larry Thompson, Principal Panter, Coach Tyson, and Superintendent Perry. Visitors present were Becky Smith, Betty Heathington, and Kenneth Heathington. In addition to the regular action item, the board took action on the follow-

ing:
The final budget amendments to the 2004/2005 budget were approved. Superintendent Perry was delegated the authority to determine "substantial care" by a grandparent in connection to a new law regarding student residency.

Approved the continued retainer of Powell and Leon, L.L.P. for the 2005-2006 school

Approved the adjunct personnel agreement with the Eastland County Extension Office. Mr. Panter, the high school principal, reported about changes that were being implemented to help improve the TAKS scores. There will be bench mark tests administered to identify the areas needing the most attention and then those areas will be targeted for remediation. The students will be doing more writing and working on projects that incorporate more than one curriculum. We are raising the academic bar and will better prepare our students for success. Coach Tyson reported to the board about the most recent success of our football team and how our athletes, both boys and girls, are showing much more dedication and perseverance and he has great expectations for their success this year and especially in the future. He distributed a list to the board

and visitors for all the upcoming events for September and October. Mr. Perry reported that the school district had met the requirements under the "No Child Left Behind Act" for showing annual yearly progress. The district also received a superior rating under the Financial Integrity Rating System of Texas. There will be a public meeting in the auditorium at noon on October 4, 2005 for the public to see and discuss these ratings. There was one request received by the school for information under the "Freedom of Information Act" from the Texas Freedom Education Network Fund for a list of all religious courses that we offer as a part of our regular curriculum. We responded that there are none at this time.

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I had a complaint from a Gorman resident on Tuesday regarding the school board meeting. He was upset that the school board meeting was held in the meeting room at the elementary. He informed me that the people of Gorman were too intimidated to attend school board meetings in that small room. I informed him that the only reason we moved back to the original board meeting room was at my request to the board since we had only had two visitors at the last regularly scheduled meeting and none at the last two special called meetings. I explained that we would move to a larger room should there be more visitors than the room could handle. He said that the meeting room was so intimidating that residents would not attend if they knew the meeting was even going to begin in that room. I do not know how this gentleman could know that about all of the citizens of Gorman because this has not been my experience here or elsewhere that I have served.

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However, this man was not at the meeting! The residents of Gorman that I have had the pleasure to meet, including the gentleman making this complaint, have been anything but timid. Everyone has been friendly and welcomed me to town. I have said all of this to get to this point: everyone is welcome to attend board meetings! Not just because it is the law under the "Open Meetings Act", but because this is your school and you are welcome to attend. You are also welcome to stop by my office the day before or the day after a board meeting to discuss board meetings: past, present, or future or anything else that you would like to talk about. That's what an open door policy is and that is what I have.

I said last week that I may have missed some of the names of those that were in competition in cooking contests and sure enough I did. Kaycee Dodd came in 5th place with her cookies. Brittany Henderson came in 2nd place with her pie. Sorry for the oversight!

The Elementary Library held a Constitution contest for grades 4,5, and 6 to celebrate Constitution Day, Sept. 17th. The contest consisted of 10 questions about our Constitution. The classes had all week, (9/12-9/16), to look up the answers. We drew from the entries and the winner with the most correct answers was Jessica Williams. She won a gift certificate for a large pizza from Pizza Pro located here in Gorman. Jessica is a fourth grader in Mrs. Bussell's class and is pictured:

Jessica Williams

Our volleyball team traveled to Woodson on Tuesday for a double header. They will play in Graford next Tuesday at 4:30p.m.and in Ranger on Thursday at 10a.m.

Thursday our junior high Cubs hosted Perrin-Whitt and won handily with a score of 30-14. These union high boys are

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day to play them again.

The varsity traveled to Perrin for their game and lost 53-24. Once again, our Panthers had an excellent second half. They just had a hard time getting started and that's not surprising though as young as they are as a team. I expect you will see them get better and better as the season progresses. These Panthers never give up and neither do the coaches! Thanks to all of the fans that traveled to the game last week. I know the team and the coaches appreciate it too. Unfortunately, we have no game this week. Their next game is against DeLeon next Friday at 7:30p.m. See you there!

Thursday, September 22, 2005 After the Perrin game I tra-eled on to the MetroPlex look-ing for used band instrument, and was very disappointed with what I found. We have some music stores preparing bids fe use on some new instruments but I want to make sure we have all that we need. One of the problems that we are having is missing instruments. One in particular is our best set of quads. That is a set of four drums. If you have a student that was in the band last year and they still have the school instrument would you please have them return it to Mr. Howard as soon as possible. We will also accept any instru-ments you wish to donate. I've had a lot of positive com-ments about this article and I'd

like to thank everyone for the support you are giving the school this year. I will do my best to keep you informed about our activities and remember that every time you do something that supports our school in a positive manner you make a positive influence on the lives of all the children that attend here. Let's do our best to accentuate the positive and eliminate the negative in our schools and our community! It takes community involvement for a school to be successful and you are welcome to get involved at Gorman ISD anytime. Remember, this is your school; these are your children; and these children are your future! Come help us shape the future.

Why would a PBR bull rider want an aerospace engineer to treat his fractured wrist?

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Because he also happens to be an Orthopedic Surgeon.

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Medicine Team and Head Team physician for the Houston
Livestock Show and Rodeo, Dr. DePrang has helped many
a hurting cowboy. He is also a former team physician for

the San Antonio Spurs. At NASA, he served as the Space of and Life Sciences Directorate for Biomedical Engineering Division. Dr. DePrang is a graduate of The University of Texas San Antonio Sports Fellowship Program as well as The University of Texas Medical School at Houston.



Clifford L. DePrang, M.D.

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A Dynamic Satellite Event September 23-27 - 7:00 p.m.

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Topics:

Friday, Sept. 23: A Planet in Upheaval

Saturday, Sept. 24: Planet Earth's Final Battle

Sunday, Sept. 25: The Appearing

Monday, Sept. 26: When History Repeats Itself Tuesday, Sept. 27: The Day After Coming To:

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Let's Celebrate The Amazing Faith of Texas

Part 2
By Roy Spence

Almost 40 years ago, back in the mid-1960s, then Texas Governor John Connally envisioned a unique showcase for the remarkable array of cultures represented by the people of Texas- from Spaniards, French and Germans to English, Swedes, Poles and Greeks. That idea became the Institute of Texan Cultures, a highlight of the 1968 World's Fair in San Antonio. It remains a legacy of Hemisfair to this day, part of The University of Texas at San Antonio.

For more than three decades, my colleagues and I have been blessed to witness and be immersed in the color and character of those cultures as our firm has served countless projects related to consumer behavior. And we have been intrigued by the richness and variety of faiths embraced and practiced by those cultures.

Yet today there seem to be voices that too often attempt to amplify our cultural and religious differences instead celebrating those ideas and beliefs that unite us as people and as Texans. It is fitting that we recognize and celebrate the remarkable faith of Texas. We therefore are undertaking an unprecedented not-for-profit project to collect and publish a series of essays and portraits in book form recording the faith of real people and families across the Lone Star State. And we need the help of our fellow Texans in this endeavor. If you have a story to tell, you will find details at the end of this article that tell how you can participate.

"The Amazing Faith of Texas" is a humble attempt to build a common purpose around the variety of faiths of our people. It reflects my concern that here and around the world we are many times hearing the views and voices of only those who seek to divide people and cultures, helping create an environment that fuels cultural wars in the name of religion.

I certainly am not a pastor or religious scholar by any means. But I am a Texan and an American. And a person who loves God and loves those who "love they neighbor as thyself."

I believe in my heart that it is time to begin to mend fences and build bridges

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amongst our neighbors. When we dig deep we see common ground in how we should treat one another and how we should love one another. If we listen, read and study carefully, we can hear the calling of the whole family of faith guiding us to be compassionate, humble, charitable, forgiving and above all, to have faith-

This journalistic journey is motivated in part by personal experience that has given me an appreciation for the diversity of faiths held by our collective cultures.

Amazing Faith.

I grew up in the First Methodist Church in Brownwood, Texas. There was, and probably still is, a friendly rivalry between the Methodists and the Baptists. That's okay.

I moved to Austin, went to the University of Texas and met and married my wife of 28 years, Mary Couri Spence. She grew up Catholic in Peoria, Illinois. We were married in the Catholic Church in Houston by our cousin, the late and wonderful Monsignor Jimmy Jamail. Our children were baptized Catholic.

By chance we moved next door to Reverend Gerald Mann, the founder and now Pastor Emeritus of Riverbend Church of Austin. Our families became best

friends and I worked with Gerald Mann on his radio and television ministries.

Two other roads led me to a better understanding as well. One was the journey of a friends of 30 years who decided to fulfill a lifelong dream of becoming a rabbi. I had the privilege of being part of his amazing quest.

The second, and perhaps the most life-changing experience, occurred in the days just after 9/11. Ten colleagues, making our way back to Texas from the D.C. area, conceived of a public service announcement called "I Am an American." As a show of solidarity with Muslim Americans, the ad was a simple reminder that this country is made up of people of many different cultures, ethnic backgrounds and faiths, and that we are all in this together.

I respect different religions simply because each one, while unique in rituals and tactics, in its own way reports to the higher callings of virtues and values that seem to be the ties that bind all faiths.

Our collective house here in Texas has been built on the strong foundation of the spirit community. Texans have a rich, instinctive tradition of extending a hand, especially when one of our neighbors faces trouble. We as Texans and Texans of faith need to come together and raise the spiritual barn together.

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lish will be a celebration of what unites us, not what divides us, as Texans and as a family of faith. It is my hope that in some small way we can help bring our state and nation closer together in recognizing that while we may have differences in how we practice our faiths, we need to be more aware that "we are all in this together."

I ask you and all Texans- if you want to share a personal story on your own faith as well as what unites all faiths please visit our website at www.amazingfaithoftexas.com to submit a short essay and share a photograph of your place of worship.

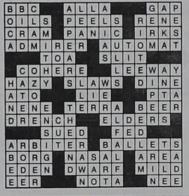
Common ground on higher ground--that is what The Amazing Faith of Texas is all about.

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Hurricane Katrina: Coping With The Psychological Aftermath

By Pamela Ryan, Ph.D. Managing Director,

Issues Deliberation America As rescue efforts wind down, clean-up efforts wind up, the realities of evacuation sink in, and adrenalin levels of first responders and volunteers abate, the enormity of helping thousands of people rebuild traumatized lives will become apparent. With constant media coverage bearing witness to the terror unleashed in the wake of Katrina, any American with a television, radio or Internet access has been bombarded with disturbing images: bloated dead bodies, scared and confused children, desperate parents, devastated relatives and friends, drained emergency workers, struggling public officials and journalists moved to tears.

For most of us affected by Katrina, either directly, or vicariously through exposure via the media, our grief, anxiety and anger are normal resposes to an abnormal event. The large majority of us will adapt. However, lessons from other catastrophic disasters, whether freak acts of nature or deliberately orchestrated, suggest that there is no single universal response to trauma, and no universal time line for recovery.

Trauma can affect us in many ways- physically, emotionally, behaviorally, cognitively. Among the young, responses can include stomach pain, loss of appetite, increased risk behavior. uncontrollable grief and anger, nightmares, inability to sleep, and panic attacks dankinds of horrific experi-Adults may display similar ence for example, Eye manifestations, plus some Movement Desensitization less obvious, such as de- and Reprocessing (EMDR). creased immune system Other forms of therapy are functioning, lack of motiva- helpful in combination - for tion, depleted energy. Some of us will take longer than others to find a "new normal" life. We may become paralyzed by what we witnessed, or the terror may trigger clinical conditions such as severe depression, Post Trau-

matic Stress Disorder (PTSD), or an anxiety related mental illness. New stressors, including further hurricane alerts, may re-trigger trauma. After 9/11, unemployment, financial hardship, destruction of property, and living in Lower Manhattan during the recovery efforts, increased the risk for PTSD and other mental disorders.

Research suggests that severe stress reactions can be prevented by effective early intervention. To ensure the most effective recovery of the most number of people, it is crucial to plan and implement a systematic, comprehensive mental health program that relies on proven treatment methods. Because the focus for the first 2-3 months following Katrina will be on meeting physical needs, agencies have adequate time to plan and coordinate a best-practice psychosocial response.

Strategies developed by 90 of the world's leading trauma experts at last year's International Assembly on Managing the Psychology of Fear Terror (www.managingfearandterror.org) explore the essential elements of such a plan. Programs that equip people in their communities are vital. Training of mental health workers in trauma treatment is crucial: damage can be done by well-meaning helpers who are not adequately

qualified.

Treatment methods should allow for multiple approaches. Some treatments are better suited for particuexample, Cognitive Behavior Therapy (CBT) with anxiety management techniques such as relaxation training. For children and teens, art therapy, play therapy and drama therapy can help.

A public health approach,

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implemented through school systems, has worked following other disasters. Schoolbased screening for stress responses for a non-stigmatizing, non-biased environment identify the most affected children and adolescents. This is important where media exposure may have traumatized kids a long way from the actual disaster. Because most people won't

seek professional help, outreach programs to conduct consistent in-community follow-up by trained specialists, even if survivors are not presenting with symptoms, is key. For the less severely affected, helpers can facilitate resilience by encouraging more "emotion-focused" coping- managing anxiety through self-calming and positive imaging, rather than focusing on aspects of the situation that are uncontrollable. This is particularly important for those evacuees

in shelters. Critical to any plan is ensuring that responders have the resources to sustain them as they help others. If not resourced, both physically and emotionally, responders such as emergency workers, counselors and volunteers can suffer "secondary trauma." There have already been two suicides in the New Orleans Police Force. Effective resourcing can prevent

These are just some of the strategies that can be included in a comprehensive approach to the psychological impact of Katrina. As journalist, Anderson Cooper, said in New Orleans last week: "The waves of sorrow have only just begun." A planned regional mental health response can help people move through the waves and rebuild their lives.

(Dr. Ryan is Managing Director of Issues Deliberation America, an Austin, Txbased think tank devoted to research and education on psychosocial public policy issues.)

Tarleton A Honor Roll; Distinguished **Students Named For Spring**

The A Honor Roll and Distinguished Students list for the Spring 2005 semester has been released at Tarleton State University.

Dr. Gary Peer, Provost and Vice President of Academic Affairs at the University, released the names of students recognized on both the Stephenville and Killeen campuses.

There were 481 students listed on the A Honor Roll for the spring semester. To qualify, these students had to maintain a 4.0 grade point ratio (GPR) on the 4.0 system while taking a minimum of 12 hours.

There were 1136 students who received the designation as Distinguished Students. To be named a Distinguished Student, freshman and sophmore students must have a minimum GPR of 3.25 with no grade lower than C; junior and senior students must be in good standing with the University and have a minimum GPR of 3.50 with no grade lower than C.

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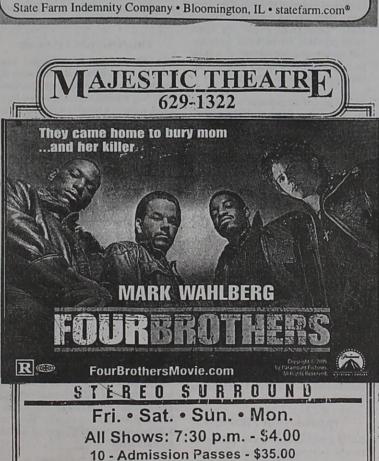


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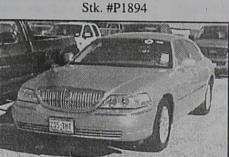
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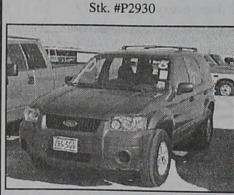
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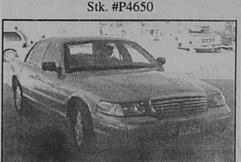


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physician has a gem-dandy

piece for the "you won't

believe this" section in the

medical journal. It'll replace

the old yarn about the heart

patient who swears that after

they implanted his pacemaker,

his garage door goes up when

Elsewhere, hither, thither

and yawn: Officials in New

Orleans predicted that it

would require some 80 days

to rid the city of the troubled

waters. But things are going

well-if not swimmingly-as

drainage of the foul liquid

begins. They've lowered the

40 nights, too. Wouldn't Noah

be proud? Maybe they'll spot

doves carrying olive branches

Lots of folks think malls

were made for walking. They

flock there to exercise, chat

with friends, and spot funny

(I still believe most of the

Some recent T-shirt

messages merit mention. One

states: "The test results are in

and you are free to leave.

Another reads: "If I got

And finally, this "head-

second look on the next lap

Look out into space. Breathe

normally. Now, read slowly

chapter" of Fruit of the Loom:

"You can lead a horse to water,

another lap, or simply re-read.

should be "led" or "lead" in

this point about the pencil.)

you two laps, too.

Stupidity is not a felony."

guys get their exercise serving

as pallbearers for their friends.

when the city dries out.

messages on T-shirts.

who jog.)

Hmmmm, that would be

figure to 40 days.

he gets overly excited.

So when grandpa's pacemaker acts up, she figures they'd better head for the emergency room. Away they go, despite his protests that "nothin's hurtin."

"You've only that'iump-starter'two weeks," she fretted. "Something's wrong when it starts buzzing like that."

Grandma whips through heavy traffic, arriving safely at one of Texas" largest trauma centers. She tells nurses about her hubby's problem. When the topic is hearts, nurses listen carefully; they know it's not a card game.

They whisk grandpa into triage. Health professionals join grandma in bewilderment about the noisy pacemaker. These devices simply aren't supposed to buzz! 'It's a first for them, too.

a seasoned emergency room physician. He questions, pokes and observes, hoping to appear to be more confident than he actually is. Pacemakers don't buzz, he mumbles to himself, finding little comfort in the repetitive claim that "nothin's hurtin."

Grandma isn't sure. All she's certain about is that the pacemaker started acting up while he was talking on the telephone.

The good doctor feels his usually strong self-confidence crumbling under his feet. It is, in a moment, a queasy time. smart with you, how would He senses vulnerability, you know?" fearing that he could become both "flappable" and "baffle-scratcher;" luckily, I got a able" on this very shift.

He continues the exam, chatting amiably as he asks grandpa to remove his shirt. Before he gets the stethoscope on the first cold spot, things change.

The annoying buzz, like as I quote from the "shirt crickets that wake us in the deep of night when summer wanes, no longer seems to be but a pencil must be lead." coming from the chest.

All eyes turn toward the (I don't have a clue whether it discarded shirt. The doctor pokes his finger into the shirt pocket-the one that rests against the left side of the off. chest-and pulls out a hearing

Kokomo News

By Zelda Jordan

guests had a wonderful time Then the 78-year-old of fellowship on Tuesday patient remembers: He'd night, August 13, when they dropped it into his pocket so met at the Little Family Cabin he could'hear better on the on Lake Leon for a fish fry and a report on Christian mission 'Can you turn this off?" the work in Canada. Bro. D. K doctor asks, swelling with Hale and Ken Ponath of confidence as he stiffens into Cochrane, Alberta, Canada his "patient, heal thyself" both gave a testimony of the posture. "Yes," the old-timer Christian mission work being said, and, smiling, and with done in Canada, and expressed their appreciation for the mission offering that the All's well that ends well. church sends each month to And, no, I don't know if

> Those attending were: Bro. Clarence and Leona Wilson, D.K.Hale and Ken Ponath of Cochrane, Alberta, Canada, Bobby and Mary Jane Little, Jimmy and Verna Lee Little, Charles and Carolyn Little, James, Jill, Ashley and Breckley Little, Woodrow and Helen Browning, Gene and Kay Snider, James and Mary Donham, James and Ruby Lee Kinsler, Bro. James and Jerrie Holt of Carbon, Ed Rodgers of Gorman, Ann Warren, Vicki Seay, Nancy Hendricks, Sylvia Buchanan, Norma Webb and Zelda Jordan.

help with the mission work

there.

Woodrow and Helen Browning and Ruby Lee Kinser sang the beautiful song, "God On The Mountain" in the Sunday morning service at the Kokomo Baptist Church. "Happy Birthday" was sung to Aletha Burgess. Betty Jo Overstreet of Gorman was a visitor.

Roy and Sharon Davis of Odessa were visitors at the Kokomo Baptist Church on Sunday night.

surrounding area were among the very large crowd that attended the Katrina Disaster Eastland on Sunday afternoon. If you missed it, you missed a blessing. We heard some beautiful Gospel music from all those who participated including the Howard Family around the mall. It may take and the Messengers from Gorman and the Gibbs Family of Venus. The Gibbs fam-Take a deep breath. Exale. ily are former residents of Kokomo. Over \$1900 was raised for the Katrina Disaster Relief.

Joe and Glynda Bond vis-

Dr. Newbury is a speaker Okay, if you must, take and author in the Metroplex. His weekly column appears in 125 newspapers in six states. He welcomes comments and inquiries by phone, 817-447-End of the lines; everybody 3872, or by email: newbury@speakerdoc.com His website: www.speaker doc.com

Members of the Kokomo ited in Copperas Cove with Baptist Church and their Shannon, Stephanie, Raegan and Sydnie Bond.

Oren and Norma Webb were in Sapulpa, Ok during the weekend to attend the 50th reunion of Oren's High School graduating class. They also visited with a daughter and family, Laura and Ronnie Shelton and daughters, Andrea, Emily and Katherine. They had a great time.

Alvis and Bonnie Scitern of the New Hope community, and Bob and Beverley Pharris of Haskell visited with Larry and Betty Strube.

Betty Little and her daughter, Karen Patterson of Eastland enjoyed a vacation trip to Utah and California and the Yosemite and Sequoia National Parks. They saw a lot of beautiful country and some beautiful orchards and vineyards. They reported a real good time.

Betty Little and Karen Patterson and Charles and Carolyn Little visited with Jimmy and Verna Lee Little on Sunday evening.

Our hearts were saddened to learn of the death of Estelle Craddock of Gorman. She was a wonderful lady that did a lot for her town and community. She will be missed. We extend sincere sympathy to her daughter, Kay Ann Craddock and all the family.

We also extend sincere sympathy to the family of Joe Craddock of Sundown who passed away recently. He was the brother of Mary Margaret Hudson of Gorman and the brother-in-law of Estelle Craddock.

Daisy Slaton and Carol Quite a few people from Ward of Gorman and Nancy Kokomo and Gorman and the Hendricks and Sylvia Buchanan visited with Zelda

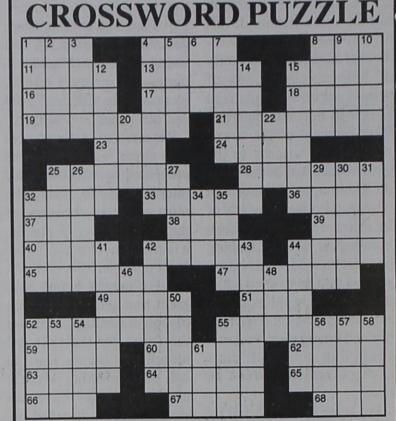
Those visiting with Nancy Benefit Gospel Singing Con- Hendricks were Roy and cert at the Majestic Theater in Sharon Davis of Odessa, Bertie Stacy, Daisy Slaton, and Carol Ward of Gorman, Sylvia Buchanan and Zelda Thursday, September 22, 2005

Jordan.

From an inch and a half to two inches of rain was received on Thursday night and Friday morning as a thunderstorm rumbled through the community. How thankful we are for the rain. Now we need

to pray for cooler weather as summer seems very relunctant to give way to fall. We seem to be having some of the hottest temperatures of the summer at this late date.

God Bless America and everyone who reads this column.



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- 44. Foamy drink

- 45. Soak thoroughly 47. Senior members

- 49. Asked for whiplash money 51. T-man
- 52. Umpire or referee 55. Balanchine's
- 59. 1976 Wimbledon winner
- 60. Of the schnozz 62. Field of study
- 63. Place where
- Knowledge was
- 64. One of Snow White's
- 65. Gentle 66. Ending for auction or
- 67. "I'm a Ford,
- Ford) (2 wds.)
- 68. Society page word
- DOWN
- _ Raton, Florida 2. Sweet ___ of Youth
- 3. Shellfish
- 4. Comes into view 5. All in the Family
- producer Norman
- 6. Actor Cariou 7. Nom de plume
- . Microorganism Singer Paul
- 53. Went by train Rabbit 55. Starr or Simpson
 - 56. Actress O'Brien 57. Before cast or phone

10. Annoying fellow

14. Regatta vessels

20. Lobster's coral

25. Spoil, with "to"

30. Throws in a poker

32. After deck or glad

___ No Angels

34. The stuff of life

41. lago, to Othello

42. Finale phrase

(2 wds.)

43. Fodder crop

asylum

46. Sever

48. Gato .

50. Attracted

52. Busy as _

44. Infamous London

Derby winner)

_ Sol (1982

_ (2 wds.)

31. One calendar's worth

26. ___ layer 27. She, to Fifi

29. Towel user

15. Rampaged

12. Foi 3

22. Tether

- 58. Macabre Marquis
- 61. Saint, In Lisbon

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PUBLIC NOTICE

BRIEF EXPLANATORY STATEMENTS OF PROPOSED

CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS SPECIAL ELECTION NOVEMBER 8, 2005

PROPOSITION 1 (HJR 54)

HJR 54 would create a Texas rail relocation and improvement fund in the state treasury and would authorize grants of state revenue and issuance of public debt to relocate, rehabilitate, and expand privately and publicly owned passenger and freight rail facilities and to construct railroad underpasses and overpasses.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment creating the Texas rail relocation and improvement fund and authorizing grants of money and issuance of obligations for financing the relocation, rehabilitation, and expansion of rail facilities."

PROPOSITION 2 (HJR 6)

HJR 6 would provide that marriage in Texas is solely the union of a man and woman, and that the state and its political subdivisions could not create or recognize any legal status identical to or similar to marriage, including such legal status relationships created outside of Texas.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment providing that marriage in this state consists only of the union of one man and one woman and prohibiting this state or a political subdivision of this state from creating or recognizing any legal status identical or similar to marriage."

PROPOSITION 3 (HJR 80)

HJR 80 would provide that local economic development program loans or grants (other than debts secured by a pledge of ad valorem taxes or financed by the issuance of any bonds or other obligations payable from ad valorem taxes) do not constitute or create debt. Any provision of state constitutional law that may prohibit or limit the authority of a political subdivision of the state to incur debt does not apply to those loans or grants.

The proposition will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment clarifying that certain economic development programs do not constitute a debt."

PROPOSITION 4 (SJR 17)

SJR 17 would authorize a district judge to deny reinstatement of bail or new bail to a person accused of a felony, if the person's bail had been revoked or forfeited as a result of the person's violation of a condition of release related to the safety of a victim of the alleged offense or to the safety of the communi-

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment authorizing the denial of bail to a criminal defendant who violates a condition of the defendant's release pending trial."

PROPOSITION 5 (SJR 21)

SJR 21 would authorize the Legislature to exempt commercial loans from state usury laws that set maximum interest rates. "Commercial loans" are loans made primarily for business, commercial, investment, agricultural, or similar purposes and not primarily for personal, family, or household purposes.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment allowing the legislature to define rates of interest for commercial loans."

PROPOSITION 6 (HJR 87) HJR 87 would increase the size of the

State Commission on Judicial Conduct from eleven to thirteen members by increasing from four to five the number of public members and by adding a constitutional county court judge. The additions would ensure that the commission has an odd number of members, which is required by another provision of the state constitution.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment to include one additional public member and a constitutional county court judge in the membership of the State Commission on Judicial Conduct."

PROPOSITION 7 (SJR 7)

SJR 7 would authorize new options for reverse mortgage agreements for senior homeowners allowing them to draw advances at unscheduled intervals, if and when needed, and only in the amounts needed, during the loan term. These are in addition to options that would allow a lump sum payment after settlement or regular periodic, predetermined equal amounts over a term of years or the lifetime of the homeowner. Additionally, SJR 7 would: (1) prohibit the agreement from requiring the use of a credit card, debit card or similar device to obtain an advance; (2) prohibit the charge or collection of a transaction fee solely in connection with any debit or advance, after the time the extension of credit is established; and (3) prohibit the lender or holder from unilaterally amending the extension of credit.

The proposition will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment authorizing line-of-credit advances under a reverse mort-

PROPOSITION 8 (SJR 40) SJR 40 would clear individual land

titles by relinquishing and releasing all claims of state ownership interests, including mineral interests, in two local areas, namely, a roughly 4,600 acre area located roughly 14 miles southeast of Gilmer, Texas, and a separate 900 acre area located north of Tyler, Texas.

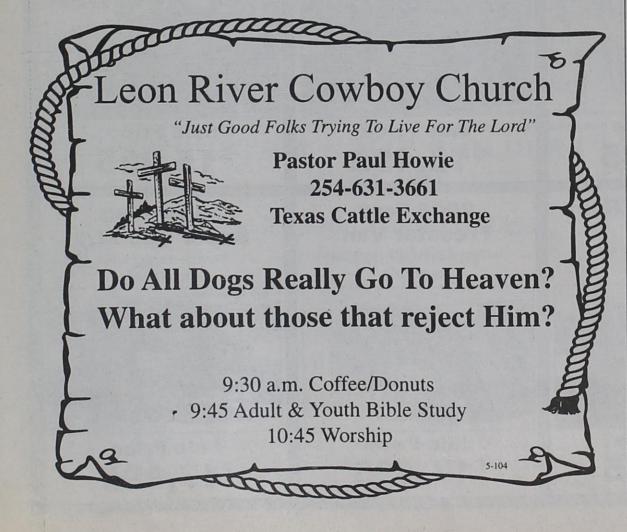
The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment providing for the clearing of land titles by relinquishing and releasing any state claim to sovereign ownership or title to interest in certain land in Upshur County and in Smith County."

PROPOSITION 9 (HJR 79)

HJR 79 would authorize the Legislature to provide staggered six year terms of office for board members serving on regional mobility authorities, with no more than one-third of the board positions being appointed every two years.

The proposition will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment authorizing the legislature to provide for a six-year term for a board member of a regional mobility authority."

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Baird Bears Varsity Football Players





Blan Scott
Jersey #: -2Grade: -12Positions:
-Quarterback-Free Safety-



Chance Rodriguez
Jersey #: -3Grade: -12Positions:
-Wide Receiver-Strong Safety-



Tyler Orlando Jersey #: -12-Grade: -11-Positions: -Wide Receiver--Defensive Back-



Chris English
Jersey #: -15Grade: -11Positions:
-Running Back-Line Backer-



Chris Cogburn
Jersey #: -21Grade: -11Positions:
-Wide ReceiverDefensive Back-



Jesse Mendez
Jersey #: -22Grade: -9Positions:
-Running Back-Line Backer-



Cody Gibbs
Jersey #: -30Grade: -11Positions:
-Wide Receiver-Defensive Back-



Justin English
Jersey #: -32Grade: -10Positions:
-Wide Receiver-Defensive End-



Justin Armstrong
Jersey #: -44Grade: -12Positions:
-Running Back-Line Backer-



Hazen Coffee
Jersey #: -50Grade: -11Positions:
-Offensive Line-Defensive Line-



Justin Roberts
Jersey #: -51Grade: -11Positions:
-Offensive Line-Defensive Line-



Brad Matlock
Jersey #: -52Grade: -12Positions:
-Offensive Line-Defensive Line-



Jersey #: -53-Grade: -9-Positions: -Offensive Line--Defensive Line-



Koby Parker
Jersey #: -55Grade: -11Positions:
-Offensive Line-Defensive Line-



Jeramie Brooks
Jersey #: -60Grade: -10Positions:
-Offensive Line-Defensive Line-



Ike Dickey
Jersey #: -62Grade: -9Positions:
-Offensive Line-Defensive Line-



Jacob Dillard
Jersey #: -65Grade: -10Positions:
-Offensive Line-Defensive Line-



Justin Patterson
Jersey #: -68Grade: -11Positions:
-Offensive Line-Defensive Line-



Roger Wamsley
Jersey #: -70Grade: -12Positions:
-Offensive Line-Defensive Line-



Judd Clark
Jersey #: -72Grade: -11Positions:
-Offensive Line-Defensive Line-



John Edwards
Jersey #: -79Grade: -9Positions:
-Offensive Line-Defensive Line-



Logan Donlan
Jersey #: -80Grade: -9Positions:
-Tight End-Line Backer-



Jersey #: -83-Grade: -9-Positions: -Wide Receiver--Defensive Back-



Aaron Hazelwood Jersey #: -85-Grade: -10-Positions: -Wide Receiver--Defensive Back-



Blake Manning Jersey #: -88-Grade: -12-Positions: -Tight End--Defensive End-

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VARSITY & JR.High **Football Schedule**











BAIRD BEARS Varsity Football Team

First National

325-854-1295 Member FDIC

7:30 Meridian There Sep. 09 Home 7:30 Roby Sep. 16 7:30 There **Knox City** Sep. 23 Sep. 30 BYE 7:30 * Ranger % Home Oct. 07 7:30 * Goldthwatie Oct. 14 There 7:30 * Gorman Home Oct. 21 Oct. 28 * Cross Plains There 7:30 7:30 Home Nov. 04 * Evant # # = Senior Night + = Scrimmage % = Baird Football Sweetheart Night * = Denotes 13A District Game

Baird Bears Varsity Football Schedule

Sep. 08	Deleon	There	5:00
Sep. 15	Roby	There	5:00
Sep. 22	Knox City	Home	5:00
Sep. 29	Open		
Oct. 06	Ranger	There	5:00
Oct. 13	Goldthwatie	Home	6:30
Oct. 20	Gorman	There	6:00
Oct. 27	Cross Plains	Home	5:00
Nov. 03	Evant	There	5:00

Times could change, depending if opponent has a Junior Varsity team.

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Sept 10 Stephenville Varsity, JV, Jr 8:00am 14 Eastland Jr. High 17 McMurry Varsity, JV, Jr. High Varsity, JV, Jr.High 24 Roby

4:00pm 8:00am 8:00am

Football Wrap Up

Baird Cross Country

Here's How We Did: Early 19, Eastland 9 Cross Plains 40, Eden 13

Ranger 26, Archer City

Clyde 35, Brady 6 Baird 12, Roby 14

Here's What's Ahead: Cisco at Coleman Comanche at Eastland DeLeon at Goldthwaite Baird at Knox City

Cross Plains at Chistoval Millsap at Ranger Rising Star vs. Gustine CJC vs. Trinity Valley RC vs. NE Okla A&M

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Region 14 Education Service Center's telegram@eastland.net Alternative Certification Program

gion 14 Education Service Center's 2006-2007 Alternative Certification Program for certification of special education teachers will be accepted until December 3, 2005. The program allows college graduates wanting to be special education teachers to earn certification as they train and teach full time, serving as interns with mentor teachers in area school districts. Participants complete course work and training in the spring and summer prior to entering the classroom. During the internship year, training is continued. Financial Aid is Available.

Applicants are selected from those meeting the following admission requirements:

*Received bachelor's degree from an accredited institution of higher education.

*Attained a minimum of 2.5 grade point average overall OR 2.75 on the last 60 hours.

*Earned at least passing scores on the Texas Higher Education Assessment (THEA) formerly the TASP.

*Acceptable score on a critical thinking test admin-

Applications for the Re- istered at Region XIV ESC. *Completion of an interview process.

The teaching certificate enables recipients to teach anywhere in Texas in special education in grades EC-Grade 12. Reciprocity is available in some other states.

For information on Region 14's program contact: John Stevens (325) 675-8630 or Janice Hill (325) 675-8605.

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