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Romanian Missionaries Share Culture And History With Baird Classes

Earning a living as a Christian in a Communist especially country, Romania, was "very difficult," stated Nico Gatea, a guest speaker for Coach Webb's Government and Mr. Williams's Economics class at Baird High School. Nico further explained that the idea of Communism was that everyone works at the same level in society. In reality, party leaders were at the top of the hierarchy and often lived in relative luxury while the rest of the people lived in or near poverty. Those who were not Communist Party members, and most Christians weren't since they were categorized as enemies of the state, did not receive job promotions, adequate housing, or sufficient food rations. After the fall of Communism under Nicolae Ceausescu, who was feared loathed approximately. equal measure, Nico remembers thinking, "I am free- I don't

have to be afraid. I can say what I want." Freedom was a tremendous and exciting change but, unfortunately, did not usher in an era of prosperity even though Romania borders the Black Sea, an area of tremendous natural resources.

Caprice Gatea, Nico's wife, and a teacher in five Romanian schools used a Power Point presentation to explain and show the difficulties of living in rural Romania today. Hospitals seldom have sufficient medicine; and schools don't usually serve lunches, so many impoverished students do not eat during school hours. Private charities play a vital role in meeting the needs of many Romanians. Nico and Caprice oversee an after school meal program and distribute food and clothing to several hundred families weekly. Since the Revolution, the economy is improving, but there are still many vestiges of Communism in the country today. Under Communism, everyone was a

tension and suspicion among many people and more than a little discrimination against the Gypsies. This animosity is still apparent in Romania

Baird students enjoyed the presentation even though the forty-five minute class did not allow enough time for questions. "I want to go to Romania...someday" stated Adriana Diaz, "to help the children. It was amazing to me that their leader (Ceausescu) had the second largest house in the world." The Gatea family will be leaving by the end of September to return to Romania. "Baird is a small place geographically," stated Mr. Williams, "but I want my students to see themselves as part of something as large as the world and as exciting as the universe. Economics or Government is simply a name we use to describe a doorway through which students walk to learn about themselves and finally, eventually, and ultimately, about the world."

while dealing faro at the Beehive Saloon (now a popular restaurant in Albany) as well as his traveling companion "Big Nose" Kate Elder. Doc Holiday had to leave Jacksboro or face a hanging jury after he killed a soldier who cheated while playing cards. The opening of the Great Western cattle trail to Dodge City made the fort even more popular as a rest area for trail weary cowboys with a few dollars to spend and the hopes of entertainment.

General Sherman passed through Fort Griffin inspecting the frontier forts and narrowly missed an ambush by Kiowa chiefs Satanta and Satank. They observed the General as his escort passed by on the way to Fort Richardson but decided to let him pass. A few days later the Warren Wagon Train Massacre took place. This event convinced General Sherman that a change in Indian policy was needed since neither the Kiowas and Comanches or settlers abided by the Medicine

Lodge treaty. Fort Griffin is located 15 miles north of Albany on US 283. Several buildings have been restored and an RV park with full amenities is located on the property with hiking, fishing, picnicking and if your timing is right, historical reenactments. The park has 4 1/2 miles of hiking trails and two equestrian camps with water for horses. The Office museum houses an 1873 Winchester as well

as Indian artifacts and photos of legendary Buffalo Soldiers stationed at the fort. October 14-15 the park will host Frontier Times, a living history event that will feature military camps, infantry demonstrations, and Cavalry drills. Sutlers will also be selling novelties and food. Watch out for the cattle! A portion of the Texas Longhorn herd lives in the park and has been carefully breed to retain the Longhorn distinctiveness. Lester Galbreath, the herd manager, will often call the herd for a closer look for cattle enthusiasts. Don't leave without stopping at the scenic overlook. The site offers the guest a magnificent panorama of the Clear Fork of the Brazos River Valley, especially in the spring and fall. Phone for

reservations at 325-762-

While in Albany, a must

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see attraction is the Old Jail Art Center. The Robert Nail Archives are stored in the museum and holds a wealth of information concerning local ranching and oil history in Shackelford County. The museum also houses a tremendous collection of Pre-Colombian artifacts and 35 Chinese Terra Cotta tomb figures as well as paintings by Picasso, Renoir, Joan Miro, and several contemporary Texas artists. For the guest that has an information overload after vieing the museum, see the labyrinth adjacent to the museum. It is sure to restore peace and tranquility as the visitor works through the maze. Signs are available to explain the history and purpose of the Labyrinth. Just across the street from the museum is the Ice House Restaurant. The Mesquite grilled steaks are tender and juicy. The authentic Santa Fe style Mexican food is delectable as well as affordable. A highlight of any visit to Albany is the Victorian courthouse constructed in 1883 with a working fifth story clock tower and a picturesque gazebo fronting the main street - an ideal spot for afternoon photos that will document your trip to Albany.

Next to the gazebo is The Ole Nail House Inn, a charming Bed and Breakfast in the heart of the shopping district. The Inn once belonged to Robert Nail, a long-time Albany resident and creator of the annual Fort Griffin Fandangle held the last two weekends of June. Joie Parsons, the Inn Keeper, is a tremendous cook and talented hostess. Much to the delight of guests, local historians often drop by for a seat at her delicately appointed breakfast table. Breakfast is

Thursday, September 15, 2005 served when the guest requests and can be eaten outside next to the bubbling water garden. Japanese Koi and water lilies add a sense of peace and privacy to the occasion. Fresh flowers and plush terry robes complement the southern ambiance of each distinctively decorated room, two of which

have private sun porches. The perfect location of the Inn allows guests to shop on the main street or visit local attractions without taking a vehicle. Complete the day by relaxing in the large hot tub in the secluded garden. For reservations ask for Joie at 1-800-245-5163.



Ole Nail House from the water garden

News From Baird ISD

Online Grades Are Now Available

Baird ISD parents may now access a student's grades online. This district-wide student's current averages feature may be accessed should be displayed on the through the Baird ISD screen. website:

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The Online Grades link is located on the left-hand side of the web page. When parents click on the Online Grades, they will be taken to the Grade Speed Parental Access screen. A student's User Name is his/her six digit local student ID. The password is the student's Social Security number with no hyphens.

with the correct student user name and password, the

student's name should be listed on the Grade Speed Parent Access Module screen. By clicking OK, the

In order to view the http://www.bairdisd.net/ individual progress reports for each class, the parent may double click on the individual grade. The student's progress report for the class will be displayed. Parents may view the grades for individual assignments in each of the categories.

If parents do not know the student's six-digit local ID, they may phone the elementary or high school office to get that When the parent logs on information. The Baird ISD phone number is 854-1400.

Neighboring News

We invite all our neighbors in Putnam, Moran, Cross Plains, Gorman, Desdemona, Morton Valley, Carbon, Olden, Strawn, Mingus, Santo, and Gordon to submit your local news and events to our newspapers: The Callahan County Baird Star, Cisco Press, The Rising Star, Eastland Telegram, and Ranger Times. We welcome your community news!

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1883 Albany Courthouse

Local Family Getaways

By Walter Williams

The price of gasoline continues to rise making travel by air, rail, or car expensive. In addition, especially during the late summer/early fall, schedules often fill up weeks in advance. Under these circumstances, short mid-week or weekend getaways to see area attractions are a viable option to preserving precious family vacation time or a quick romantic retreat. One of the gems of the prairie some-

times overlooked by Texas vacationers is historic Albany.

Established as a place for soldiers from nearby Fort Griffin to blow off steam, Albany is considered one of the best-preserved Old West towns in Texas and has the history to go with the town. Some of the state's most notorious gunfighters like Bat Masterson and Doc Holiday visited Albany's numerous bordellos, casinos, and saloons. In fact, Doc Holiday met the Earps in Fort Griffin

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Regulation Marching Band Shoes - Black or White sizes 5-14, \$24.99 at Johnson's Dry Goods, Cross Plains, TX.

Garage Sales

BACK YARD SALE: Friday, Sept. 16 8:00-4:00 and Saturday, Sept. 17 8:00-4:00. 200 Poplar St., Baird.

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MOVING SALE: 617 West 5th St., Baird. Portable sewing machine, small tables, electric fans and heaters, antique heater and sewing machine, workshop cabinet, ladders, many tools, freezer, washer, dryer and other household items. Lots of bargains! Friday, Sept. 16 8-5, Sat., Sept. 17 8-1. DO NOT COME EARLY!

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Eastland County To Host 5 Hour **CEU Course**

private. For those commercial, and noncommercial applicators needing CEU's; a 5-Hour CEU Course will be offered on Tuesday, September 20th from 8:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. at the Cisco Junior College Ag Department in Cisco. Cost is \$5.00 per

Cooperative Extension Range Specialist from San Angelo will discuss new herbicides for Brush Control and common mistakes people make using pesticides. Mark Bills with the TDA will discuss Laws and Regulations and Frank Whitley with the U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service will discuss predator control.

The CEU's will include 2 hours in Laws and Regulations, 1 hour in Drift, 1 hour IPM, and 1 hour

Lunch will be furnished by Cisco Junior College.

For Sale

Family Van For Sale: Designer Conversion big engine, '91 GMC family van, 90,000 actual miles, white exterior/gray plush interior, pretty wood trim inside, garaged, clean, 4 captains, convertible couch, electric windows, TV/cassette, call 254-629-2413 to see after 6 p.m. \$4995.00 firm.

Misc.

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Web Press Time available call 254-629-1707.

Help Wanted

Oil Field Roustabout needed. Experience necessary. Start pay \$10.00 hr. Call 817-829-2718.

Top Movies This Week

1. The Brothers Grimm starring Matt Damon, Rated PG-13 2. The 40-Year-Old Virgin, Steve Carell, R

3. Wedding Crashers, Owen Wilson, R 4. Four Brothers, Mark

Wahlberg, R 5. Red Eye, Rachel McAdams, PG-13

6. Broken Flowers, Bill Murray, R

7. The Skeleton Key, Kate Hudson, PG-13 8. Charlie and the Chocolate

Factory, Johnny Depp, PG 9. Must Love Dogs, Diane Lane, PG-13

10. War of the Worlds, Tom Cruise, PG-13

You do not need to preregister.

Individuals disabilities who require an auxiliary aid, service or accommodation in order to participate in this program are encouraged to contact Texas Cooperative Extension office in Eastland County at 254-629-1093 or 254-629-2222 to determine how Dr. Allan McGinty, Texas reasonable accommodations can be made.

Beauty Tip

Finding the right colors for fair skin tones can be challenging, since some colors that look great on certain people can look very dark and dramatic on you. A light or sheer coverage foundation will help to even out the skin but will ensure a naturallooking finish. You may also want to consider using a bronzer to warm up your complexion and add a tinge of color. When choosing cheek color, look for a blush that might look a little too light for you.

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For more information on any of these events please contact the church: 854-1574

(Nursery provided for worship services)

Sunday **Sunday School**

9:45 A.M. **Worship Service** 11:00 A.M. **Evening Service** 6:00 P.M. Wednesday Service 7:00 P.M.

Be in Prayer for Our Teachers and Our Students in this new school year.

Poetry.com To Help Victims Of Hurricane Katrina

Poetry.com and The International Library of Poetry announced that they will donate one dollar (\$1.00) to the American Red Cross for every poem they receive during the month of September. Company spokesperson, Eric Mueck said, "Our Board of Directors has decided to focus all of our charitable efforts on helping the people affected by Hurricane Katrina. The American Red Cross is our nation's premier emergency response organization, and we are confident that they will put our money to good use."

All poetry received will be entered into the International Open Amateur Poetry Contest, where \$1,000,000.00 has been awarded to amateur poets.

"We welcome all types of poetry," stated Howard Ely, Managing Editor for poetry.com. "When people"

learn about our donation, they will suddenly realize that their own poetic works can make a difference, as well as gain national recognition. In fact, we are already receiving thousands of poems expressing personal feelings about this tragic disaster."

To enter, send ONE original poem, any subject and any style to: The International Library of Poetry, Suite 19923, 1 Poetry Plaza, Owings Mills, MD 21117. The poem must be 24 lines or less, and the poet's name and address should appear on the top of the page. Entries must be postmarked or sent via the Internet by September 30, 2005. You may also enter online at www.poetry.com

The International Library of Poetry, founded in 1986, is the largest amateur poetry publisher and membership organization in the world.

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OBITUARY

Lucille Robinson

Phoenix, Arizona, died August 26, 2005.

Greenwood Memory Lawn. 15, 1911 in Stewart, She was very interested in Mississippi, but was raised in the old Depot Museum with Baird, Texas. She attended the Mrs. Nichols as its schools in Baird, graduating in 1929 from high school. Her parents were Alex and Villa Robinson. Sisters: Bernice Burton (who died in 1979) and Eva Starnes. Brothers: resignation. Troy and J.D. both deceased.

Lucille Robinson of Paul lives in Hurst, Texas. Lucille moved to Phoenix, Arizona in 1944 after her Burial was in the mother's death, but her interests in her old home Lucille was born October town remained all her life.

> originator. In Phoenix, she worked in the City Library for many years, and remained as a volunteer after

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Callahan County Commissioners **Court Meeting Held Monday**

The Callahan County Commissioners' Court was held September 12, 2005 at 9:30 a.m. at 100 W. 4th, Suite 200 in the Callahan County Courthouse Commissioners' Court Room in Baird.

The following items were discussed or approved upon.

Deliberate and Consider Action on the following

Meeting Called To Order Review and sign minutes of previous meetings.

Public Comments (5 minutes per speaker) no discussion or action.

Discuss C.R. 250- Sheryl

Crabtree.

Open- Approve bids for Sheriff's Department Vehicle.

Discuss-Approve New Revised Hart Contract for Election Equipment.

Discuss - Approve amend-. ing Commissioner Court minutes of May 23, 2005.

Discuss-Approve leasing the Election Equipment to municipalities and schools in Callahan County.

Discuss-Amend Budget. Discuss-Approve Indigent Defense Resolution.

Discuss and pay approved

DPS Report

9-4-05 to 9-10-05 Cases Investigated Warnings - 33 Complaints- 48 DWI-2

Open Container- 2 Accidents

There were 2 accidents investigated during this time span.

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\$77 Acres completely wooded with oak and mesquite trees, hills, 2 ponds with 1 being stocked with fish, remote, wildlife includes deer, turkey, hogs & dove. \$115.

\$80 Acres mostly wooded with oak and mesquite trees with a very large hill, 1 pond, creek. This property is surrounded by large fences, great hunting property, wildlife includes deer, turkey, hogs, dove, duck & quall, \$104,805.

101 Acres with house several coastal fields, several wooded areas with oak, pecan & cottonwood trees, 3 ponds, water well, 2 creeks, house is a 3 BR, 1 bath, needs some work, older large barn, wildlife includes deer, turkey, hogs, dove & quall. \$160,000.

\$83 Acres 95% wooded with oak trees, small pond, good property for hunting at a home site, wildlife includes deer, turkey, hogs, dove & quall. \$15,785.

118 Acres Comanche County, wooded & open, two creeks, 1 runs most of year round, 3 ponds, 3 water wells, oak, pecan & mesquite trees, hill down to creek bottoms, deer, turkey, hogs, dove, duck, quall, \$1,250 per acre.

127 Acres mostly wooded with oak trees, sweral creeks that run into a large creek, lots of wildlife including deer, turkey, hogs, dove, duck, quall, \$1,250 per acre.

150 Acres or a large creek, wooded, hills, several creeks that run into a large creek, lots of wildlife including deer, turkey, hogs, dove, duck, quall, \$1,250 per acre.

150 Acres mostly wooded with post oaks & mesquite trees, large hills and canyons, field, 1 pond stocked with fish, high fenced on one side, deer, turkey, hogs, dove, duck, quall, \$229,6

wildlife including deer, turkey, hogs, dove, duck à quail, \$187,500.

169 Acres mostly wooded with Post osks à mesquite trees, large hills and canyons, field, 1 pond stocked with fish, high fenced on one side, deer, turkey, hogs, dove, duck, quail, \$229,600.

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Ann Williams, Broker

Jimmy Williams

Super Notes

By David K. Perry Gorman ISD Superintendent

If you missed the Panthers game last Friday, you missed what has to be one of their best efforts of the season your loss, not theirs. They were down 27-12 at the half and came back to hold the Owls scoreless in the second half and win the game 32-27. The Panthers scored their last touchdown with just over a minute left in the game. It was fantastic! It was incredible, especially when you consider they had to beat five of the worst officials I have ever seen since I've been watching football plus overcome a fifteen point deficit. Way to go Panthers! This week we travel to Perrin-Whitt to play at 7:30p.m.

The Junior High Cubs had a remarkable game too, 28-6. I can tell by watching them that we are going to have more numbers in the future and that will help a lot. The coaches have done an excellent job preparing them to be competitive.

As superintendent, I enjoy

attending as many events as I can that involve our students; both academic and athletic. They deserve my support, but most of all they deserve your support. They work extremely hard to prepare for competition and they do not deserve to see empty bleacher seats at any game. The Panthers won Friday night, but even if they had not, I would have been proud of the effort they put forth. If you are a true Panther fan and claim to support these kids, I challenge your to be ... at every game if you are physically able. I know fuel is high, but you could get together with your neighbor and ride together and split the cost. I don't believe I ever missed one of my son's football or baseball games or my daughter's basketball or softball games, not one even before I became a teacher. Parents, grandparents, neighbors, it is important to support these young people. You don't get a second chance! In the blink of an eye, they will be graduating from high school and leaving to attend college or pursue a family and career of their own. Don't miss out on the memories. Be there!

I hope everyone enjoyed the Peanut Festival as much as I did. I can't believe we have so many talented musicians in Gorman. The music was wonderful. It made selling burgers at the Lion's Club booth very enjoyable. I want to thank everyone involved with the organization of the Peanut Festival for their hard work. There was a great crowd at the school for the Alumni meeting and I appreciate Mr. Panter hosting them while I was selling burgers. It was a great day!

We had some Gorman students experience success in the kitchen this weekend at the Peanut Festival. I'm not sure of everyone, so if I miss someone that should have been included in this article, please email the information to me for next week. Amanda Regian, 11th grader, won the overall championship for her peanut butter balls in the candy division.

She received a blue ribbon and a championship trophy. Maria Oronia, 11th grader, won the overall championship in the snack division for her peanut butter Rice Krispy treats. She received a blue ribbon and a championship trophy for her effort. Both girls also received prizes from Pampered Chef. Cole Underwood won a first place blue ribbon with his pie. Cole is in the 8th grade. Mykisha Hampton won a blue ribbon for her candy. Mykisha is in the 4th grade. Clarissa Landa won a first place blue ribbon for her snack and a third place ribbon for her cookie. Clarissa is in kindergarten.

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.

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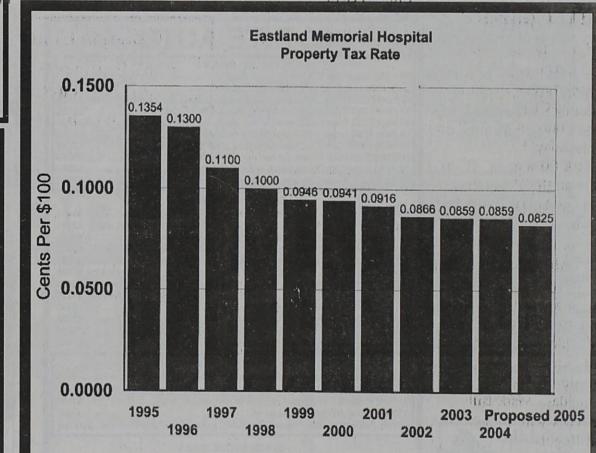
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Engagement Announcement



Hobbs - Thompson

Katie Hobbs and Tommy Thompson Jr. would like to announce their engagement and approaching marriage Saturday, September 24, 2005. The wedding will be Kitty Hobbs, all of Azle. held at the Calvary Baptist

A reception will be held Thompson.

immediately following the ceremony at the Cisco Country Club.

Katie is the daughter of Sue Hobbs, and Paul and

Tommy is the son of Church in Cisco beginning at Arlene Thompson of Cisco, and the late Tommy

Gospel Concert Set Sunday

The Redeemed, a gospel singing group of Eastland is hosting a gospel singing concert at the Majestic Theater located at 108 N. Lamar in Eastland. It will be on Sunday, September 18th starting at 2 p.m. The admission is free. Donations will be taken to benefit the Katrina Disaster victims. All proceeds will go to either the Red Cross or Salvation Army.

The groups that are scheduled to appear are as follows: Andy Mayes of McKinney,

The Best Family of Mineral Wells, TX

Redeemed of Eastland The Howard Family of Gorman

Soul Purpose II of Sweetwater, TX

The Gibbs Family of Ve-

nus, TX The Messengers of Gorman

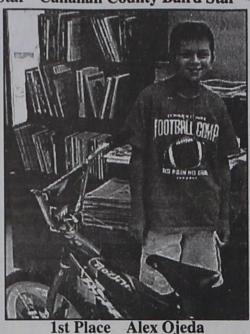
We hope that everyone can come out for an afternoon of fun and entertainment with great gospel music and singing. Let's rally some support for the people devastated from the Katrina Disaster. See you there!



Music Degree TCU



The local group Redeemed is the sponsor of the event.







2nd Runner Up Tyler Adams

Winners Of Texas Messenger **Old Rip Coloring Contest**

Congratulations Winners of our The Texas Messenger Old Rip **Coloring Contest!**

Winning First Prize with his colorful Old Rip, Eastland, Texas drawing was Alex Ojeda, 10 years old, of Eastland.

Alex received a great bike, donated by Wal-Mart, for the First Prize. His drawing is special Old Rip edition of The Texas Messenger, which will be available this week.

First Runner-Up winner was Kasen T. Bowles, 12 years old, of Eastland.

Kasen's art work is titled "One more year....and Counting". It depicts Old Rip during his 31 years of captivity in the Eastland

County Courthouse tall! cornerstone.

Kasen received a remote control truck, donated by Wal-Mart, and two movie Majestic Theater in Eastland.

Tyler Adams, 10 years old, of Eastland won 2nd Runner-Up with a drawing of Old Rip. In his drawing, Old Rip has a long Rip Van Winkle beard, but is still standing

Tyler received a remote control truck, donated by Wal-Mart.

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If John Wayne was living today he would be 98 years old. He was born May the 26th 1907 in Winterset, Iowa weighing 13 pounds.

John Wayne was a truly great American and a dedicated one. Perhaps in years gone by you may have heard the record, "America" by John Wayne and it brought a tear to your eye.

Let me tell you how John Wayne saved the Marine Corps.

Right after World War II and our victory there was a large cry from the left to disband the military. The Truman Administration had formed the Dolittle Board in Washington D.C. to II disband.

A number of politicians in the Senate and House of Representatives on the left banded together for bringing this to the front that the Marine Corps was to be brought into the Army and combined with them. (unified)

A group of Marines got together and decided to have a movie made from the picture by Joe Rosenthal of Iwo Jima. The world famous picture showed the Marines raising the flag on Iwo Jima on their way to victory.

The Marines first contacted the famous director Allen Dwon, who agreed to have a script written.

The movie was going to be called "The Sands of Iwo Jima." Everybody knew only of Sgt. Stryker and that was John Wayne.

To everyone's surprise John Wayne said he didn't care much for the character Sgt. Stryker.

to the rescue again. The Marine Corps Commandant, General Clyton B. Cates, got

the next plane out from Washington, D.C. to California to personally requestfor John Wayne to make the movie. General Cates explained to John Wayne what the situation was, the very existance of the Marine Corps. John Wayne quickly changed his mind, promising

"The Sands of Iwo Jima" was released in 1949 and was quickly judged a tremendous success, was one of the great movies of all time. John Wayne received an Oscar nomination for Best Actor.

the General he would so ev-

erything he could to make the

movie a huge success.

The Dolittle Board in Washington D.C. folded its tent and no politician on Capital Hill would ever again think about disbanding the Marines.

Let's all say, "Semper Fi", to the memory of John Wayne.

Cliff Lindsay

Note: There are two kinds of people in the world. Good and bad-Think about it. C.L.

Seeds From The Planter Wanda Lee Beck Skinner

Consider

Hebrews 10:24 "Let us consider one another in order to stir up love and good works."

If everyone in our country were to read and obey this one verse, the communities, the work places and the neighborhoods would see a great change. It would make things better and more enjoyable for alla Tiber3

Some ways to put this one man could play the role verse into action are: 1. Learn contentment, 2. Learn thankfulness, 3. Have fellowship with other people, 4. Do good for at least one person every day, 5. Redirect your thought process, 6. Stop focusing on I,I,I.

Plant seeds of any of the The Marines had to come above and see the changes in your own life and the world around you. It will happen. You will be blessed beyond measure.

Gatekeeper's Log

By Doug Fraser

It's time to clean up

The miles already driven really didn't seem to matter. We were tired and we needed to get home as soon as possible. For over 48 hours we watched the TV news to get an idea of what was happening. We called home and there was no answer. I called my work center and was told it was OK to come on home from Chattanooga, Tennessee. They said, "Don't come to work, just go home and let us know what you need." Your daughter and mother-in-law are safe in the shelter on the base."

That's a portion of our story as it unfolded when we returned to our home in Ocean Springs, Mississippi in the fall of 1985 after hurricane Elena. During this particular hurricane season we had already dodged three other hurricanes. Many of our neighbors were survivors of the "big one", hurricane Camille. We were familiar with many of the surrounding areas that were devastated during this bell weather event from 1969. When Diane and I turned the corner onto our street we could see our yard. It looked like a large salad bowl. We had a four-foot high chain-link fence around our yard, and it was filled to the top with all sorts of leaves, twigs, limbs, and various other forms of debris. Several of the trees from our yard were hanging over into our neighbor's yard. A large pine tree had fallen upon the back of our house. One of the tree's limbs punched a hole through the roof and this allowed water to pour into the inside of our house. Had it not been for that single tree and that hole it punched in our roof we would've been spared of significant damage and the required repairs. We were very thankful for the fact our family was intact and the damage was minimal to our home. However, when our time came to leave the gulf

roulette anymore. As we passed through the area just east of Biloxi along Highway 90, where we used

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coast we were happy about not

having to play hurricane

to live, and then to the north of Gulfport along Interstate 10; on July 31st of this year, we noted how prosperous everything seemed. appeared as though significant improvements and a thriving economy were to be found. A much better environment than when we left in 1986. Though it was a mere month away and yet to be named, Diane and I talked about the possibility of another hurricane in this region. Today, we are looking at the aftermath, and are saddened over the devastation and loss of lives. Even so, we can't escape from the truths of God's word.

Take a serious and hard look at the words of Jesus proclaimed during "the Sermon on the Mount". Read and study in chapter 7 of Matthew where Jesus talks about judging and criticizing others. There have been some serious tactical and strategic errors made, especially in Louisiana and New Orleans. But it's not the time to judge or criticize. The leadership of the state kept asking for help and it came. God's word is true under all circumstances. Read Mathew 7.8-12.

Currently, you may not be in the aftermath of a hurricane or a natural disaster, but there are storms in this life sent out from the powers and rulers of darkness that are truly designed to destroy you. For clearly Satan, who does truly exist and works with his host of fallen angels or demons, desires to kill and destroy the mind, body, and soul of man. Satan/Lucifer/ the serpent in the Garden of Eden is still "more subtle and crafty than any living creature of the field which the lord God had made." Still he offers up the fruit that men enjoy. However, Satan was defeated by Jesus by his death on the cross and subsequent resurrection; and he knows it and is the ever present "dead man walking". Folks we're dealing with a defeated and desperate OUTLAW. Think about this: Last week police and other rescue units were being shot at in New Orleans. The storm and ravages of Katrina had defeated the city, yet the outlaws were still fighting back. I could add more but you get a good idea of what is going on here in the natural and it's only a mere shadow of what's going on in the spiritual. The battle still rages and it's more than just flesh and blood we're fighting against, and that is written for us all in the word of God by the Apostle Paul.

Let's join together in unified prayer and work. Let's dig deep into our very souls to see exactly where we're at in our relationship with God. Each one of us must do the work, and I again, I say work, it takes to rebuild upon the solid rock and foundation of Jesus gave us. Paul simply calls it a renewing of your mind and working out your own

with Jesus Christ. This type of relationship is enabled and empowered by the power of the Holy Spirit. Simply said, you can't do it on your own or under the covering of a church or denomination. Why else would Jesus say these words; the very words that should strike a holy and reverential fear into all hearts: "Many will say to me on that day, Lord, Lord, have we not prophesied in your name and driven out demons in your name and done many mighty works in your name?" "And then I will say to them openly, I NEVER KNEW YOU; depart from Me, you who act wickedly disregarding my commands." (Matthew 7.22-23 Amp NT) Jesus proclaimed these words just prior to telling the people how to build their spiritual and even earthly house. I know there is something very important for

all of us to learn and to repent

about. Therefore, as we are

given the opportunity in the

next several months let's share

the love of God with many

people we've never met

before. Don't fail to do what

God commanded us to do:

Love your neighbor as

yourself. In so doing you are

showing how much you really

love God and you are also

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salvation. Yet, these require a

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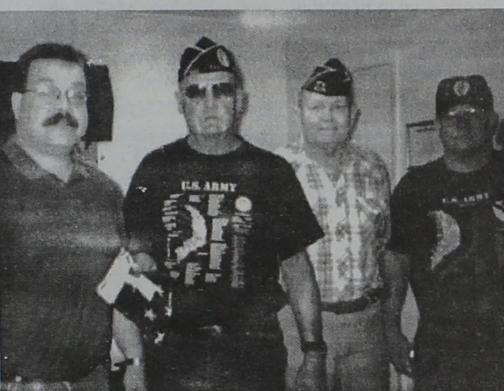
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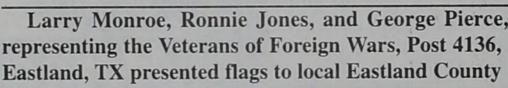
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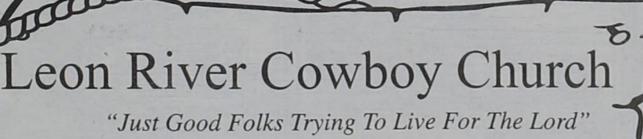
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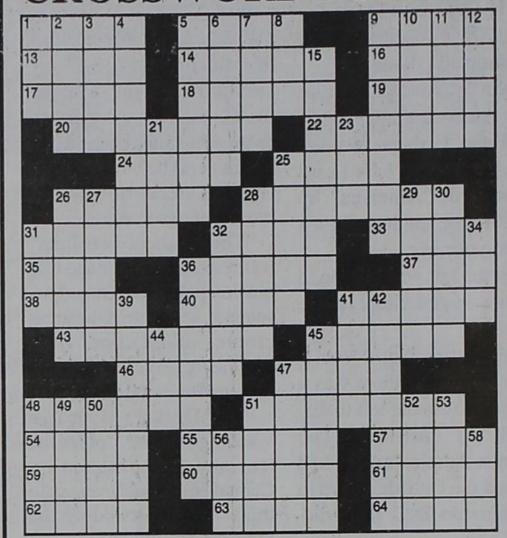
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HJR 54 would create a Texas rail relocation and improvement fund in the state treasury and would authorize grants of state revenue and issuance of public debt to relocate, rehabilitate, and expand privately and publicly owned passenger and freight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

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

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

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.

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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-



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



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



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

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Baird Bears Varsity Football Schedule

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* Gorman

* Evant #

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Knox City

Goldthwatie

Cross Plains

Roby

Open

Ranger

Gorman

Evant

a Junior Varsity team.

+ = Scrimmage

* Goldthwatie

* Cross Plains

% = Baird Football Sweetheart Night * = Denotes 13A District Game

Baird Junior High Football Schedule

Roby

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BAIRD BEARS



VARSITY & JR. High **Football Schedule**



Sep. 09

Sep. 16

Sep. 23

Sep. 30

Oct. 07

Oct. 14

Oct. 21

Oct. 28

Nov. 04

Sep. 08

Sep. 15

Sep. 22 Sep. 29

Oct. 06

Oct. 13

Oct. 20

Oct. 27

Nov. 03









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Sept 10 Stephenville Varsity, JV, Jr 8:00am 4:00pm 14 Eastland Jr. High 8:00am 17 McMurry Varsity, JV, Jr. High 24 Roby Varsity, JV, Jr.High 8:00am

Baird Cross Country

Football Wrap U

Here's How We Did ... Cisco 26, Albany 7 Bangs 34, Clyde 21 Early 55, Dublin 0 Eastland 41, Jacksboro 30 Jim Ned 32, Grape Creek

Goldthwaite 21, San Saba

Gorman 32, Covington 27 Haskell 52, Ranger 14 Santo 60, Cross Plains 0 Meridian 43, Baird 40 Woodson 66, Rising Star

Throckmorton 60, Gordon 6 May 37, Brookesmith 36

Strawn 92, Bryson 44 Blanket 67, Moran 0 Here's What's Ahead This Week...

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·Write It Down- Take good notes in class. Just writing down material will probably help you learn it. •Make A Date- Pick a day you want to start studying

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