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Commentary Corner

I would like to encourage readers of the Callahan County "Baird Star" to send any comments as to how our Newspaper could better service the town of Baird

> -=-=-=-=-=-=-Upcoming Play in Area College in Cisco -=-=-=-=-=-=-=-

See Upcoming Writers Guild Workshop -=-=-=-=-=-=-=-

> from **Gary Grady**

\$ 4 Million to Qualify for \$ **Callahan County**

The June 15, 2005 Callahan County Commissioners' Court meeting was Judge, Roger Corn.

Mr. Kim Williams with tion The Williams Compay Arcthitects gave a very interesting overview of the Texas Historical Grant System. There is 80 million dollars available for restoration of Courthouses in the State and Callahan County would qualify for 4 million.

The County would be responsible for 15% of the tosite until the projet could be completed. Mr Williams explained the importance of getting a Master Plan accepted. This is the 3rd allo-

cation of monies and may be the last. Mr. Williams told the court he would be back after called to order by Presiding July 15, 2005 with more conclusive information. No Ac-

> Commissioner Holland made a motion to adjourn and Commissioner Hicks seconded and motion carried

Officers present to wit: Roger Corn, Judge Presiding; Harold Hicks, Commissioner Precinct No. 1; Tommy Holland, Commissioner Precinct No. 3; Doris Grider, Commistal cost and the cost of mov-sioner Precinct No. 4; Dianne ing all the offices in the Alexander, County Treasurer; courthouse to a temporary Jeanie Bohannon, County

> Also present were: Sharon Owens, Jason Jennings, Reggie Pillans, Danny Tabor.

STRAYHORN ANNOUNCES **RUN FOR GOVERNOR**

Last morning, June 18, State Comptroller Carole Strayhorn Keeton announced that she would run for Governor in 2006, challenging the re-election of Governor Rick Perry. Since they are both Republicans, the race will probably be decided in the Primary Election next year.

made She her announcement at a big outdoor meeting near the State Capitol building, and the audience cheered her own during a fiery speech which followed.

In this speech Strayhorn mainly criticized Perry for his veto of the state's \$35 billion education budget, and his decision to call a new special session on school finance (Tuesday) without having a plan on how to overhaul it.

She said that Texans couldn't afford another four years of a Governor who promises tax relief and delivers nothing.

She said it was time to replace this "do-nothing drugstore cowboy with one tough Grandma."

She estimated that this new special session - the fifth so far - would cost the taxpayers another \$1.5

million dollars.

Strayhorn has some other issues with Perry, one being the building of the Texas Corridors through the state. She has called those toll roads "double taxation" and a massive land grab. She has made several speeches in opposition to the Corridors at big meetings of farmers, ranchers and others.

Strayhorn, a former Democrat, began in politics with posts on the School Board in Austin. She was elected Comptroller - the state's chief financial officer - in 1998. She has been married several times, with some name changes along the way. Two of her four sons serve in the Bush Administration Washington. One of them,

Scott McClellan, is White House Press Secretary.

It is not known how all this will play in with the upcoming election, or how Strayhorn is regarded by State Republican leaders - other than Perry.

(Continued Inside See Strayhorn....)

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Santa Claus Bank Robbery To Be Performed At Big Country Theatre





The Big Country Dinner Theatre at the Hilton in Cisco, Texas, is producing The Great Santa Claus Bank Robbery during the month of July. This original musical by Billy Smith, Director of Theatre, Music at Cisco Junior College, is based on the true story of the 1927 Santa Claus Bank Robbery that took place in Cisco. According to Smith, "the show will have you laughing at the unbelievable antics of the robbers one minute, and then feeling the sadness and pain of those who were impacted by this event the next. Along with 14 original songs written for the show by Smith, the audience will also hear some old fashion hymns and bluegrass numbers. The score of original music contains fast-paced and lively songs as well as haunting melodies with lyrics that help you see the plight of the characters in a

different way. Actors, sing-

ers, and live musicians playing bluegrass and gospel music that includes banjo, guitar, mandolin, fiddle, and bass guitar bring this unusual story to life for the

audience. Billy Smith is in his second season as artistic director of the Big Country Din-Smith was the Artistic Director for the Wild West Repertory Theatre in Wyoming College before coming to Cisco Junior College to serve as Director of Theatre. "I was inspired to write this play by Dr. Muller, President of Cisco Junior College. Dr. Muller shared with me his dream of having the dinner theatre produce a play based on the Santa Claus bank robbery.

The fact that he values the arts and is so dedicated to the community of Cisco, is very exciting to me. I started researching the bank robbery of 1927, and found

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that the story is truly incredible and contains all the elemants to make a great show."

In doing his research on the bank robbery, Smith found that many people have stories to tell about the incident. He is asking that if you have any information to ner Theatre at the Hilton share (perhaps someone in your family was there and told you a story) to put it in writing along with your name and address, and bring it with you to the show or mail it to the Cisco Junior College Department. He is planning to create a booklet for the Hilton and share these telegram@eastland.net

stories with the community. Copies of the A.C. Greene book, "The Santa Clause Bank Robbery," about this incident are for sale at the Hilton. Audience members may want to pick one up soon or purchase one at the show and have the cast members sign the book.

Cisco Junior College initiated one of the first dinner theatres in the Big Country in 1974. The Roof Garden theatre, located in the Laguna Hotel, was the home of the original dinner theatre. In 1986 they moved across the street to the Mobley, Conrad Hilton's first Hotel. The members of the company that make of the Big Country Dinner Theatre this year are: Katherine Barker from Eastland, Will Booher from Breckenridge, Amanda Branham from Cisco, Bonnie Cruciger from Dallas, Lance Fitzgerald fromCisco, Joshua Gilmore from Abilene, Angela Jefferies from Ennis, Brandi Jo Magee from Abilene, Chris Moore from Seymour, Michael Pasvar from Carrolton, Casey Quinn from New York City, Rikki-Gene Whitfield from Childress, and Nathan Woods from Denver.

Production dates are July 1-2, 8-10,15-17, and 21-23.

Reservations may be made by calling Cisco Junior College at 254-442-5000 between 8:00 and 4:30.

Abilene Writers Guild

Medlock Michelle Adams, prolific author of children's literature, inspirational books, and journalism to speak at the Abilene Writers Guild's annual Writing Workshop, October 22, 2005, luncheon and contest awards to follow.

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(6-16, 6-23-05)

Obituaries

Steve Hay Wood Williams

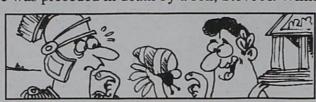
Clyde - Steve Haywood Williams, 79 of Clyde, Died Thursday, June 16, 2005 at a local hospital. Memorial services were held at 6:00 pm Monday at the Bailey Funeral Home Chapel with Brother Billy Sellers officiating.

Mr. Haywood was born August 18, 1925 in Rising Star, Texas to Steve H. and Lorraine (Cannon) Williams. He graduated from Abilene High School. He served in the U.S. Army.

He married Carmelita Griffin in Abilene on July 1, 1947. They moved to Clyde from San Antonio in 1971. Mr. Haywood was a machinist, retiring in 1991 from Victor Equipment Co., where he had worked for 15 years. He was a Baptist.

Survivors include his wife, Carmelita of Clyde; one daughter, Mary Matheny of Clyde; one sister, Collette Bostick of Eastland; five grandchildren, Belinda Matheny, Carmelita Matheny, Leo Matheny, Brani Hicks and Sharon Gee; and six great-grandchildren, Alyssa Matheny, Baylee Matheny, Steve A. Williams, II, Brittney Pennell, Madison Pennell and Tachina Gee.

He was preceded in death by a son, Steve A. Williams.



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\$120,000.

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hills with views, waterline, e squail. \$895/ac.

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172 acres w/3BR home, barns, livestock pens, 2 ponds, headwaters of Leon River, water well, 40% wooder, wooden with oak & mesquite, 1 small lake, Battle, 210 acres on Battle Creek, wooded with oak & mesquite, 1 small lake, Battle, 210 acres on Battle Creek, wooded with oak & mesquite, 1 small lake, Battle, 210 acres on Battle, 210 acr

210 acres on Battle Creek, wooded with oak & mesquite, 1 small lake, Battle Creek is a large creek/small river size, lots of wildlife including deer, turkey, hogs, dove, duck, and quail. \$950 per acre. An additional 137 acres that joins the 210 acres can be purchased at \$600 per acre. Stephens Co. 217 acres, 80% fields and grassland, ponds, creek, hill, 20% oak and mesquite timber, Stephens Co. deer, turkey, hogs, dove, duck, quail, \$1,350 per acre.

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with built in cabinets, storm windows, detached garage/storage, corner property, \$39,500.

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5 BR, 2 bath, 2 story home, lots of character, formal DR, office, large rooms, mostly wooden floors, 2 CH/A units, surrounded by large oak and pecan trees, large corner property. Reduced to \$79,500.

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Dry Conditions Could Mean Dangerous July 4

With summer heat baking the Texas landscape and many areas of the state well below normal rainfall levels, Texas firefighters face the possibility of a hot, active Independence Day holiday period.

In some areas of the state, particularly in north and northeast Texas, grasses and weeds have browned, and even green vegetation has become visibly stressed. Irresponsible fireworks use during the upcoming holiday period could lead to a rash of wildfires. All outdoor fires will have a greater likelihood of escaping control, particularly during windy conditions.

In the absence of significant precipitation, fire danger levels are predicted to reach critical levels by the Independence Day holiday, according to a drought index prediction posted by the Texas Forest Service at http://www.tamu.edu/ticc/ july_fourth.htm.

At the predicted July Fourth drought index values, any carelessness with outdoor fire use could lead to accidental wildfires. Firefighters can expect increased difficulty with wildfire containment efforts, as heavy accumulations of grass, weeds and brush exist across most of the state, thanks to abundant rainfall last year and early this year, according to Brad Smith, fire behavior analyst with the Texas Forest Service.

"The eastern half of the state needs rain. Without significant rainfall, wildfire danger is expected to reach critical levels by July Fourth, particularly in North Texas, in the piney woods region of East Texas and in South Texas," Smith stated.

Though careless debris burning accounts for a majority of wildfires in Texas, unsafe use of fireworks could ignite numerous wildfires this year because of the presence of abundant dry grass and weeds across much of the state.

Observance of some common sense safety precautions with fireworks and other outdoor fire use can prevent many senseless wildfires and injuries. Following are wildfire prevention tips suggested by the Texas Forest Service. Fireworks:

Use fireworks outdoors in a safe area, well away from dry grass and buildings.

Keep a bucket of water, wet towels and a garden hose nearby.

Follow directions carefully and use only with close adult supervision.

Never experiment with homemade or altered fireworks.

Outdoor fires:

Establish firebreaks down to bare dirt around all outdoor fires. Wide firebreaks down to bare soil around brush piles help prevent rolling or flying embers from getting into flammable veg-

Stay with campfires and other outdoor fires. Leaving fires unattended is the major act of carelessness that leads to escaped fires.

Home safety:

Establish a safety zone at least 30 wide around your home and outbuildings in which grass and weeds are kept mowed.

Mow pastures and fields to create a fuel break around your property and minimize the chances of a wildfire spreading to your pasture or buildings.

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\$788 Service rd & ave L Cisco, TX Timely Tips By Kate Worth

from Lee Snijders, host of HGTV's "Design on a Dime", who has a series of rule-breaking decorating/ painting tips for anyone planhome of apartment: For cozy spaces, Lee recommends:

PAINT TRICKS -- Turn a small space into a large one by using different shades of the same color. For example, paint opposite walls a shade lighter or darker than the ada sense of depth.

A SPLASH OF COLOR -- When painting over a dark wall, be sure to tint your primer with a color a few shades lighter than your new topcoat color. This will help ensure a perfect finish and money because you'll need less top coat to take your walls from one color to the

PRIMER -- Most primers dry in an hour, but their benefits last for years. Starting your painting project with primed wall will require few coats of topcoat paint -- and

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The following tips are will ensure your topcoat color matches your paint chip.

ADD A SPLASH OF COLOR -- Ask your paint store to tint your primer with ning to re-do a room in their a color that is a few shades lighter than your topcoat color. You won't need to use as much topcoat when you paint, which saves both time and money.

THIN IS NOT IN -- Thinning your paint is not a good way to make a little go a long jacent walls to give the room way. Thinning actually requires you to use more coats because thin paint doesn't provide solid coverage.

GO SOLO -- If you're in a real time pinch, select a topcoat paint that guarantees one coat coverage.

MIX IT UP -- When ultimately help you save you're painting a room that will require more than one gallon of topcoat paint, pour paint from each gallon into your painting tray. Because DON'T PASS ON THE color can vary slightly from can to can, this ensures the color on your wall is uni-

DO THE MATH -- To avoid running back to the paint store to mix another quart of paint, make sure you've done your math homework. A gallon of paint typically covers 300-350 sq. ft. on smooth surfaces and 200-300 sq. ft on rough sur-

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"The program is set among replicas of historical buildings, such as a fort, barn and one-room schoolhouse, and features tours by middle school students dressed in 458-2291. For more informaera costumes," said Karen

If you lined up all the polystyrene foam cups made in just one day, they would circle the earth.

Sanchez, ITC Back 40 coordinator. "Visitors are very impressed with their knowledge and presentation skills."

Now in its fourth year, the program gives visitors the computers during Texas opportunity to learn how to roll a hoop, rope a steer, fix food from a chuck wagon and write lessons with a quill

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Bills Vetoed By Gov. Rick Perry

AUSTIN - Gov. Rick Perry today (June 17) vetoed 19 bills from the 79th Legislature. A copy of the veto proclamations is available

www.governor.state.tx.us.

The vetoed bills are:

HB 0511 — Relating to the processing of consumer rebates.

HB 1896 — Relating to the application of laws awarding credit to an inmate for time between release on and subsequent revocation of parole, mandatory supervision, or conditional pardon.

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State Capital

Highlights

Governor Calls

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Special Session

By Mike Cox

Perry announced June 18 that

he was calling lawmakers

back to Austin for a special

session to solve the school

finance issue left hanging

during the just-ended regular

And just to give the call

some teeth, he used his line-

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funding from the state's new budget.

That forces the Legislature to act soon or face the prospect of schools being unable to open in August.

The Legislature was scheduled to convene at noon on June 21 to come up with a plan.

"One tough grandma" enters fight.

The governor announced his veto and legislative call at noon June 18, which happened to be the same time Comptroller Carole Keeton Strayhorn staged an event in downtown Austin to make an announcement of her own her intention to try for Perry's job in next year's Republican primary.

"Now is the time to replace this do-nothin' drugstore cowboy with one tough grandma," she said.

Strayhorn's formalization of her long-obvious aspiration for higher office came after U.S. Sen. Kay Bailey Hutchison ended speculation that she might also run for governor. The Texas senator issued a statement June 17 that she would run for another six-year term in Wash-

Reading the budgetary fine print.

Line items in the state's budget have given some state agency heads as much as

\$35.3 billion in public school \$48,000 more a year in sal-

The biggest increase will go to Col. Tommy Davis, director of the Texas Department of Public Safety, who will see his salary jump from \$102,000 annually \$150,000. The attorney general, comptroller, and land and railroad commissioners will get \$32,000-a-year pay

Transportation bill signed. The governor signed into law last week a bill that gives the electorate the power to decide if an existing highway paid for with gas tax revenue can be converted into a revenue-generating toll road.

The measure also requires the Texas Department of Transportation to pick up the tab for any private land made much less valuable by a new roadway.

Sponsor Rep. Mike Krusee (R-Round Rock) had said the bill and its provisions were intended in part to ease public concerns over the planned Trans-Texas Corridor.

sion member stepping down.

When the Texas Transportation Commission meets

Thursday, June 23, 2005 June 30, the five-member panel will be down to only four members following the resignation of Commissioner Robert Nichols of Jackson-

> Appointed in 1997 by then-Gov. George W. Bush, Nichols has said he intends to step down from the commission to run for the state Senate seat being vacated by Todd Staples (R-Palestine). Staples announced earlier this month that he intended to seek election as agriculture commissioner.

Yellow light for red light runners.

A bill that would have prohibited cities from setting up photographic red light enforcement programs got stuck in traffic in the Legislature, with the Senate declining to take up the mea-

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hope to see you on the 25th!

ers, old Premier Gas can, weedeater, storm door, bicycle. We are expecting lots of other things to come in before the sale. Listen to the Bargain Box for updates. See the ad in this paper for information on donating or consigning items for this sale. Concessions will be provided by the Corinth Baptist Church youth department. Come out, enjoy the food and fellowship. Who knows? You might find something you just can't do without!!! We

spotted, particularly when moose ambled close for mutual staring. Cameras also clicked regularly for elk, bald eagles, beavers, geese, mountain goats, whales and foxes as we edged into the Arctic Circle.

notice when wild life was

On this trip, bears alluded us, but is this not a good thing? It makes me think of the guy who bragged about participating in a big rattlesnake round-up. Someone asked him how many he found. "None," he countered. "When you're looking for rattlesnakes, none is plenty!" (Sharper eyes in the preceding bus spotted a half-dozen bears.)

We saw stuffed bears in glass cases at hotels and airports. They are huge and mean-looking, and live ones would rule alleys-dark or lighted—as well as main

Memories abound about a land at the top of the world where there are 21 hours of daylight. Dusk holds forth the other three hours this time of year.

We traveled some 7,500 miles on jet planes, cruise ships, motor coaches, river boats, trolleys, dogsleds, and plush new domed railcars on the McKinley Explorer. (At each stop were numerous excursion experiences to be reviewed in later columns.)

Our visit provided "time-out" from the usual in a land where topography defies description. We took deep breaths in the crisp mountain air, soaked in



Mystique, Majesty **Define North Country**

In the 1890's, prospectors brave and bold took millions of dollars in gold from the Yukon Territory. Now, tourists from around the world are taking it back, visiting the area in record numbers to hear stories of the last frontier and to see breathtakingly beautiful country "up close."

For my wife and me, an 11-day cruise/tour of Canada and Alaska provided sun-splashed activities in a vast land emerging from eight months of weather wickedly cold. The bears surrendered hibernation lairs, allowing Old Man Winter to have some shut-eye there before they change shifts again come September.

The trip affirmed many truths long accepted previously not experienced. We saw the sun at midnight in Anchorage, rode a dogsled atop a glacier near Juneau, panned for gold, and visited frontiers where they recently celebrated arrival of electricity via power lines. Expect gasoline generators to dominate garage sales there for a while.

We kept sharp ears out for "Eskimo talk," but instead heard mostly dialects from the "lower 48" states. Should we be surprised? Lots of folks slip off to Canada and Alaska to work in the burgeoning tourist industry during summer months.

Many of the workers serving us "flatland touristers" are college students; their responses are dead give-aways. Inevitably, their "no problem" response to "thank you" is now a universal term.

One expected admonition, though, was never heard. I thought all dog teams took off at the command of "Mush!" Delivered by helicopter to the top of a glacier, I saw more than 250 sled dogs, with a dozen "mushers" ready to provide two-mile dogsled rides. Some teams took off at tongue-clicking sounds, others burst forward upon hearing "go," and one accepted a "let's roll" signal.

An "assistant musher," I tried "mush!" with no results; "giddy-up" worked fineÖ.

The folks at Holland America Lines offer packages combining three days afloat and eight overland into the interior of the Yukon and Alaska. Our trip started at Vancouver, BC, and ended in Anchorage. (There are numerous other options available.)

Ours was the first press group to visit the interior of the vast Tombstone Territorial Park that opened to the public just this month.

Our coach driver braked regularly for all animals-large and small. There were stops with little

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nature and its wonders, and listened to waterfalls gurgling in the near distance.

One day, we walked into the woods, feasting a few moments on the sights and sounds of nature. Nothing man-made was within view. Hearing a honk, we raced back to the coach, remembering our driver's reminder that he intended to stay on schedule.

"Do you know the difference between a coachrider and a hitch-hiker?" he asked. "About five minutes."

We jumped on, thinking about Old Man Winter waking from his snooze 10 weeks hence. He'll be chuckling at the prospect of transforming huge chunks of land into

huge chunks of ice. Later, we'll dream of ships, helicopters and motor coaches moved to warmer locales. Of hotels shut down until next summer's reopening. Of new friends we met up north. Of that blue

sky day in June when we saw the top of Mount McKinley towering 20,000+ feet skyward to kiss the heavens.

Dr. Newbury is an author and speaker whose column appears weekly in 125 newspapers in several states.

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Legislation Honoring President qua **Ronald Reagan**

AUSTIN - Today (June 17) Gov. Rick Perry signed two bills that will designate portions of two Texas highways as Ronald Reagan Memorial Highways.

"President Ronald Reagan was a leading force for freedom in the latter half of the 20th Century. His optimistic leadership guided our country out of the malaise of the 1970s, helped us regain our national pride, ended the Cold War, and reestablished the United States as the beacon of hope for those yearning to be free," Perry said.

House 55 Bill (Grusendorf) would designate Interstate Highway 20, between the border of Tarrant and Parker Counties and the eastern boundary of the City of Grand Prairie, as the Ronald Reagan Memorial Highway. House Bill 540 (Bohac) designates U.S. Highway 290 in Harris County between the Waller County line and Beltway 8 as the Ronald Reagan Memorial Highway.

The Texas Department of Transportation is directed to design, construct, and erect memorial makers if a grant or donation of money is made for this purpose.

This bill would take effect September 1, 2005.



a small amateur theater in Eastland are invited to contact this newspaper with ideas.

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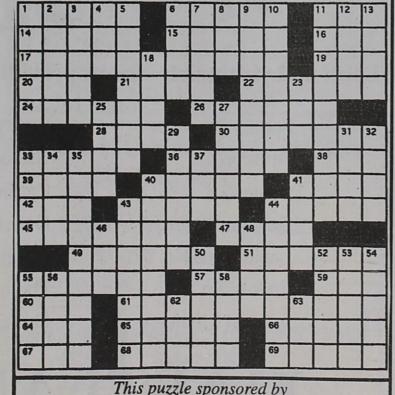
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Heartening News About Chocolate

most chocolate lovers, one thing better than a sumptuous bite of rich chocolate is the news that it may even be good for you. A recent study suggests a link between eating certain kinds of chocolate and improved heart health.

The independent study, conducted at the University of California at San Francisco (UCSF) and published in the Journal of the American College of Nutrition (JACN), suggests a potential link between compounds in cocoa, called flavanols, and improved blood vessel function. Blood vessel function is believed to be an important indicator of cardiovascular health, much like cholesterol levels or blood pressure.

Researchers compared the effects of eating a specific type of chocolate bar (Dove Dark Chocolate; Mars, Incorporated) known to be high in flavanols with a flavanolpoor chocolate bar. Every day for two weeks, 21 healthy study participants consumed 46 grams of either the flavanol-rich bar or the flavanol-poor chocolate.

First, researchers tested the participants' blood at the beginning and end of the study to track flavanol absorption and found that the flavanols in the flavanol-rich chocolate were indeed absorbed. They then examined participants' blood vessel function by measuring how well the inner lining of the blood vessel is able to relax in response to increased blood flow by using a blood pressure cuff on the forearm.

The researchers found that those who ate the highflavanol chocolate showed improved blood vessel func-

Health Awareness Are People With Asthma Taking The Right Amount of Medication For Control?

NAPS--Quickly gaining control of asthma symptoms is the primary goal of asthma management, yet a new survey shows that more than 70 percent of people who have mild to moderate asthma and are already taking medications, don't know that national ashtma guidelines exist to guide their treatment.

Of the more than 20 million Americans who have asthma, the majority of sufferers are classified as having mild or moderate asthma. Current asthma treatment guidelines state that asthma falls into four categories and each has its own recommended treatment regimen.

The recent Harris survey for the American Academy of Allergy Asthma and Immunology (AAAAI) was commissioned as part of a national "Be Stepwise About Asthma" educational campaign focused on patient awareness about asthma con-

"Successful asthma management begins with good communication between a patient and a physician on the guidelines," said Gillian Shepherd, M.D., clinical associate professor of medi-

(NAPS)--If you're like tion two hours after eating the chocolate. This kind of blood vessel elasticity is important to maintaining healthy blood flow and a healthy cardiovascular sys-

"The exciting news here is that blood vessel dilation increased in subjects who ate this high-flavanol, commercially available chocolate product," said head researcher, Mary B. Engler, Ph.D., RN, professor of the health." Department of Physiological Nursing, University of California at San Francisco. "This is consistent with previous research suggesting that certain chocolates do contain enough flavanols to support cardiovascular

Even better news is that high-flavanol chocolate is easy to find. Not all chocolate retains flavanols because they can be lost during processing. One company developed proprietary processes to ensure that chocolate retains

Thursday, June 23, 2005 as many flavanols as possible. Those chocolate prod-

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To help, the AAAAI offers a free brochure, "Be Safe, Be Smart, Be Stepwise About Asthma," that provides tips on management and questions to ask your doctors:

·What's the appropriate treatment?

·How do I know if my asthma is under control?

•Can my asthma treatment be reduced?

·Can I maintain normal activity?

•What do I do if I have an attack?

•How can I prevent an at-

•Am I being stepwise about my ashtma?

The brochure also shows how to determine the severity of your asthma, offers an overview of likely treatments and gives an easy-to-understand explanation of how stepping down can work for

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Gov. Perry Signs Life Without Parole Bill, Signs Also **Bill Changing Death Certificate On Executed Inmates**

AUSTIN - Gov. Rick murder, it will provide Texas citizens and are put to Perry today (June 17) signed Senate Bill 60, which gives juries in capital murder cases the option of sentencing a defendant to life without the possibility of parole.

"I believe this bill will improve our criminal justice system because it gives jurors a new option to protect the public with the certainty a convicted killer will never roam our streets again," Perry said.

While the life without parole sentence cannot be applied retroactively to those already convicted of capital unspeakable crimes against

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victims assurance that in the future, even if appellate courts overturn death sentences, those convicted of the most heinous murders will never be released from prison. The law applies only to those convicted of capital murder after Sept. 1, 2005.

Perry also approved another death penaltyrelated bill, House Bill 93, which will change the terminology used on certificates of death for executed inmates.

"Individuals who commit

death under Texas law are not victims," Perry said. "They are criminals and the final document that bears their name should reflect this fact."

House Bill 93 requires the death certificate of an inmate executed by the Texas Department of Criminal Justice to be classified as death caused by "judicially ordered execution." Currently, the death certificates list the cause of death as homicide. This bill will take effect Sept. 1, 2005.

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A Look Back This Week

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The Easiest Way To Get The Job Done

any do-it-yourself project may be to get some advice from the experts.

Professionals have learned the hard way how to make home improvement jobs easier and more efficient. Here are some tips that may help you get the job done:

Start with a list. Although you're eager to get started, picking up a pen and paper can save you some time in the long run. Make a plan for how you're going to tackle the job-whether you're painting the deck or putting up new siding. Create a list of materials and tools you'll need for the project, plus a budget of how much you want to spend.

Check the calendar. How long will the project take? A day? Two weeks? An afternoon? Does the project depend on good weather? Decide on start and finish dates for the job-and factor in enough time to get all your supplies and to work at a free advice. Take a free comfortable pace.

tools. It's much harder to do more efficient tool or a new a job correctly if you don't way to view the project.

(NAPSI)-The first step in have the right tools. For example, if you have a paint job on your list, you may want to check out the latest paint sprayers, which release less paint at a lower pressure so that the user has more control and wastes less paint. Wagner Spray Tech's Control Spray High Volume Low Pressure (HVLP) is designed for applying materials such as stains, sealers, wood preservatives, enamels and other light-bodied materials-not latex paints.

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Don't hesitate to ask for help if you need it. One of the smartest moves a do-ityourselfer can make is to ask for help when it's needed. Go to the hardware store and admit that you need some clinic to get some pointers. Take time to get the right Sometimes all it takes is a



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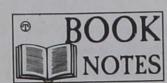
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Strayhorn Continued From Front Page...

There will be one less strong opponent in the Governor's race. Senator Kay Bailey Hutchison announced Friday that she will seek another term as Senator.

So it looks like the race is between Perry and Strayhorn . At least Strayhorn will provide some sort of a choice.



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> 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.

Wednesday, June 22 -7:00 Prayer Meeting Immediately following Church Council will meet in the Fellowship Hall.

Sunday, June 26 - See service times listed - COME AND WORSHIP WITH **US!!!**

Sunday, June 19 - at 6:00 pm Sunday Evening Sing and Ice Cream Social Everyone in the community is

invited to attend - Praising the Lord with song!!!

Be prepared to sing for your ice cream -bring your favorite homemade ice

Monday, June 27 at 4:45 am YOUTH will leave for camp-be in prayer for them this week

Monday, June 29 at 6:30 "Sister's at the Well" Marian Scott, Speaker Childcare provided. Bring your favorite covered dish!

Coming Soon!!!

Sunday, July 3 Food Drive for the local Mission. Bring non perishable items Sunday, July 3 Church Wide Picnic and Softball Game at the City Park 3:00pm Warm up for the baseball game 5:00 pm Picnic

Vacation Bible School July 18-22 6:00 pm - 8:45 pm Call 854-1574 for more information Office Hours 8:30-4:30 (Lunch 12-1) Mon-Thurs & Fri 8:30-12 noon Everyone is invited to come and have a great week!

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