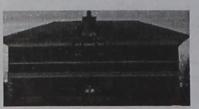
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Comentary Corner

If you would like to attend the Open House for the National County Government week it will start at 9:00 am April 15 at the Court House (Story again inside)

The Callahan County Baird Star would like to send forth our condolences to the Family of Johnsie Mae Allen, Once a teacher with the Baird ISD, who passed away April 6.

Gary Grady

BAIRD BEARS

Sports, Events and News Spring 2005

Baird Varsity Baseball

April 15 - Baird VS Snyder 7:00 - There

April 18 - Baird VS Cross Plains 5:00 - Home

April 22 - Baird VS Ranger 5:00 There

April 26 - Baird VS Albany 5:00 Home

April 29 - Baird VS Tolar 5:00 Home

Bear Golf

April 25 - 26 - Regional Tournament Boys/Girls
Maxwell - Abilene

Baird HS Track & Feild April 18 - 22 - Regionals Upcoming Tests

April 21 - 22 - TAKS Test

Misty McDowell, Senior from Baird High School recieves 2004-05 basketball honors:

- * District 10 A "MVP",
- * TABC All Region 1st Team,
- * Grandview Zebra All-Star Selection,
- * TABC All State Team,
- * TABC All-Star Selection She will play in the TABC all-star game Friday, May 6, 2005 at 3:00pm in San Antonio - Trinity University

Track & Field Results

Team results - Albany 80; Baird 23; Christoval 45; Eula 70; Forsan 22; Irion Co. 16; Menard 23; Miles 72; Roscoe 48; Sterling City 3; Winters 32.

Shot put - 1. Paige Westerman, Miles, 31'7.75" 2. C. Burns, Baird, 29'; 3. Whitney Loftin, Albany, 28'1"; 4. Meghan Gonzalez, Miles, 27'10.75"; 6. D. Low, Irion Co., 27'4 1/2".

Discus - 1. C. Burns, Baird, 95'7", 2. D. Low, Irion Co., 87'6"; 4. Ana Villa, Roscoe, 82'6"; 5. Addison Bergman, Winters, 82'; 6. Paige Westerman, Miles, 79'6".

3200-meter run - 1. Kayla Galle, Eula, 13:03.55; 3. Heather Elston, Eula, 13:24.07; 4 Irais Hernandez. Miles, 13:37.6; **5. V. Juarez, Baird, 14:19.74**.

400-meter relay - 1. Albany 51.84; 2. Eula 52.88; 3. Roscoe 52.97; 4 Irion Co. 53.95; 5. Miles 54.18; Baird 54.46. 800-meter run - 1. B. Tollett, Baird, 2:35.76; 3. H. Abbott, Miles, 2:38.01; 4. L. Villareal, Miles, 2:45.00; 5. A.

Buergman, Winters, 2:50.04.

1600-meter relay - 1. Albany 04:11.7; 2. Roscoe 04:15.0; 3. Miles 04:25.4; 4. Baird 04:29.4; 5. Winters 04:30.1; 6. Sterling City 04:37.4.

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!

Contact the Eastland/Callahan County Newspapers by phone at 254/629-1707; Fax: 254/629-2092; Email: telegram@txol.net.

Baird Bears Golf - Boys & Girls U.I.L. District 10 - A Champions



Pictured - Top row left to right: Chance Rodriguez, Blake Manning, Koby Parker, Jay Calvo. Bottom row left to right: Lea Sweeney, Misty McDowell, Kat Johnston, Jodi Neal, Kayla Windham, Cameron McIntire.

District 10-A Golf Final Results Apr.-11-05 Riverside Golf Course Boy's Division

Team Results

Baird 336-344--680 Albany 387-366--753

Baird: 336-344--680

 Jay Calvo
 74-71--145

 Blake Manning
 79-84--163

 Chance Rodriguez
 95-85--181

 Koby Parker
 85-93--181

Albany A: 387-36--753

 Jake Williams
 89-85--174

 Tim Wiloth
 93-89--182

 Corbin Kitchens
 99-92--191

 Stephen Londerholm
 107-100--207

 Brit Hudson
 106-115--221

Albany B: 399-401--800

 Brock Jones
 110-101--211

 Chance Benson
 99-98--197

 Cory Peacock
 97-105--202

 Kyle Sargent
 103-123--226

 Eric Varela
 100-97--197

Eula: 369-387--756

Caleb Howell

Ty Halvert

 John Hurt
 80-84-164

 Colby Marcee
 91-88--179

 Drew Hutcherson
 92-92--184

 Corey Jenkins
 106-123--229

Medalists

Albany
Brandon McCane 100-101--201

District 10-A Golf Final Results Apr.-11-05 Riverside Golf Course Girl's Division

Team Results

Baird 343-360--703 Albany 448-452--900 *Eula 457-461--918*

* Won Playoff*

Baird: 343-360--703

 Jodi Neal
 75-79--154

 Misty McDowell
 86-84--170

 Kalya Windham
 91-104--195

 Lea Sweeney
 91-95--186

 Kat Johnston
 96-102--198

Albany: 448-452-900

 Leslie Awalt
 105-103--208

 Ashley Parsons
 127-124--251

 Jolea Sanders
 117-122--239

 Kenzie Shack
 109-115--224

 Laci Boyett
 117-112--229

Eula: 457-461-918

 Shayla Dement
 102-100-202

 Katy O'Shields
 107-103--210

 Abilgail Thompson
 119-127--246

 Lacy Layman
 129-131--260

Medalists

Baird

Cameron McIntire 118-132--250

Albany

Malarie Anderson 122-133--255 Kirsten Nobel 114-117--231

Baird Baseball Scores

96-107--203

110-100--210

Baird - 10 * Gorman - 0 Gorman - 00000 - 0 1 4

Baird - 4231x -107 1
Gorman: Jones and Clark. Baird: Scott and Burford. WP: Scott (1-2). LP: Jones. Baird, 2B Cogburn (2), Scott, Burford.

Records: Gorman 0 - 5, Baird 8 - 6 - 1, 4 - 1 Baird - 8 * Eula - 6
Eula - 020 013 0--6 7 6
Baird - 002 015 0--8 5 3
B. Cogburn, Scott and Buford E: Powers, Hobgood and Jenkins. W - Cogburn. L

!Way To Go! BHS

- Powers. 2B -- B: Scott.

Last Fundraiser For Project Graduation

The parents of the BHS 2005 Senior Class would like to express our appreciation for your support. We have several different fundraisers during the year, but here is the last one.

Miller and Marion Scott have donated half of a beef. It is valued at \$700. We have raffle tickets available for a contribution of \$5 each. You can contact a Senior parent or they are available at First National Bank and Robertson' Hams. The drawing will be May 18th, and you do not have to be present to win.

Callahan County Commissioners Continue Discussing Tower Bids

The April 11, 2005 Callahan County Commissioners' Court meeting was called to order at 9:30 A.M. by Presiding Judge, Rodger Corn.

The Minutes of March 14, 2005 were approved as presented.

Public Comments - Judge Corn signed a Proclamation April 5, 2005 proclaiming National Government Week April 10 - 16, 2005. The County will have open house on Friday, April 15, 2005 beginning at 9:00 A.M. and continuing through the day.

Tom Ivey Veteran Service Officer gave an annual report to the court. Commissioner Grider made a motion to approve the report. Commissioner Hicks seconded and motion carried 5-0.

Rick Hanson and Jay
Evans with Texas Communications were present to
dicuss the tower frequency
with the National License
Corporation. There were
some minor problems that
needed to be corrected.
Commissioner Farmer made
a motion to allow Judge
Corn the authority to make
decisions as needed on the
tower project. Commissioner Holland seconded
and motion carried 5-0.

Tower Bids were opened and discussed. The three bids were; Gulf Coast SteepleJack Inc. - \$30,800.00, Lone Star Tower Co. - \$161,093.00 and Western Tower - \$133,176.85. Commissioner Hicks made a motion to

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B19

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77 acres completely wooded with oak trees, older mobile home, water well, wildlife includes deer, turkey, hogs & dove. \$115,500. An additional 16 ac. will be deeded without a title policy at no extra charge totaling the entire property to 93 ac. Eastland Co.

78 acres with nice camper & shed, thickly wooded with oak timber, 2 good size ponds, big hills, lots of wild SOLD y, hogs, dove, duck, quail.

81 acres completely wooded with oak and mesquite trees, 1 pond, 1 very large hill down to a creek bottom below, surrounded by large ranches, Stephens County, wildlife includes deer, turkey, hogs, dove, duck & quail. \$87,075. 83 acres mostly wooded with matter took and all \$67,075.
90 acres wooded and open fields, trees include live oak, post oak & mesquites, 1 pond, seasonal creek, v SOLD urkey, hogs, dove, quail. asy access, good hunting/ 82,585.

\$120,000.
110 acres mostly wooded w/large mesquite timber. Eubank Creek runs through the property, 3 ponds, 2 hills.

SOLD ricity, minerals, deer, turkey,

hogs, dove, duck, quail. \$995/ac.

17 acres mostly wooded with colsolidates, 3 fields, 3 ponds, pens, buildings, hilltop view, deer, turkey, hogs, dove, quail, duck, \$995/ac.

160 acres wooded with live oak, post oak & mesquite trees, 2 ponds & a creek, hills with views, waterline, e

er, turkey, hogs, duck, dove

& quail. \$895/ac.

169 acres, mostly wooded with oak timber, large hills, creeks, ponds, canyons, Eastland Co. deer, turkey, hogs, dove, duck, quail, \$1,500 per acre.

172 acres w/3BR home, barns, livestock pens, 2 ponds, headwaters of Leon River, water well, 40% woo SOLD pastureland & fields, deer, turkey, dove, quail. \$189,200.

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.

2 BR, 1 bath home, carport, attached storage, reduced to \$9,800.

3 BR, 1 bath home, separ

2 BR, 1 bath home, CH/A, meetly wood floors are ge, fenced backyard, corner property, \$23,000.
2 BR, 1 3/4 bath home, vinyl siding, double carport with attached storage, fenced backyard, reduced to \$25,000.
3 BR, 1 bath home, large rooms, separate dining room plus space in kitchen for table, some wood floors, WBFP, carport, 2 storage bldgs, \$27,000.
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2 BR, 1 bath home, could be and outside recently repaint a RR home, 6 ceiling fans, inside places, oversized yard, \$35,000

3 BR, 1 bath home inside has been recently repainted & floor covering replaced, also has CH//a, 5 ceiling fans, carport with storage, fenced back yard, \$36,000. 2 BR, 1 bath home, separate office or den, CH/A, carport, corner property, reduced to \$36,000.

3 BR, 1 bath older brick veneer home, separate dining room and breakfast nook with built in cabinets, storm windows, detached garage/storage, corner property,

2 BR, 1 3/4 bath home, briok years SOLIA WPFP, attached garage, covered patio, detached guest room with rule bath, shop, renced back yard, \$49,500.
3 BR, 1 1/2 bath brick veneer home, CH/A, storm windows, attached garage, large covered patio, carport/RV storage, 2 metal bldgs., fenced backyard, city

water plus water well.

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.

2 BR Home, deck, boat dock, large oak trees, reduced to \$25,000.

2 BR, CH/A, partially furnished, lots of parking space, storage building, boat dock, \$59,000.

dock, \$59,000.

Large 4 BR, 1 3/4 bath 2 story home, 2 CH/A units, woodburning heater, several extra closets, balcony off master BR, shop, 4 vehicle carport, covered boat dock with boat lift, septic system recently replaced.

Beautiful 2 BR, 1 3/4 bath home, CH/A, WBFP, shop, storage bldg.. large landscaped yard, tall oak trees, boat dock, great view of lake from DR, LR, den and master BR, many extras.

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When The Gears Don't Mesh!

By J.B. Johnston Carbon, TX

Did you ever have one of those days when nothing seems to go right? I have them much too often. I've always heard it said, "you got up on the wrong side of the bed", but I don't take much stock in that. I've tried going back to bed and getting up on the other side and it didn't change a thing. I know that I am impetuous and do every thing in a hurry, whether it is urgent or not. This often causes me much grief, and try as I may, I can't seem to shake this feeling of urgency no matter how hard I try. Too often this leads to a point where I fly off the handle and say and do things that hurt people's feelings. In my case it is usually my wife. Now don't get me wrong. Although she is only five foot three, she can take care of herself, and most of the time she does. I do feel bad afterwards, that I've hurt her feelings, especially if she has retaliated by hitting me with

a frying pan. Sometimes I say and do things that offend total strangers and in this day and time it can be hazardous to your health. I have offended everyone from little old ladies, working behind a checkout counter, to men that looked like professional athletes. The latter has usually been over my shoulder in a dead run. Fortunately none of this has escalated into physical violence, but it is always a possibility. The only fight that I ever lost was one when I slipped on a banana peel turning a corner.

What really hurts is when you have totally lost it and the recipient of your verbal abuse responds in a kind and caring way. I can stay mad

for days at someone that retaliates in an angry way, but I am hurt deeply by someone that responds with kindness. If only my emotions would let me be like that person! I often wish that I had apologized, but seldom do.

I have this plaque over my door that says, "Lord keep your arm over my shoulder and your hand over my mouth" but it doesn't help much. I just figure that he is trying to teach me a lesson. Some folks never learn!

Moran Volleyball **Tournament To Be** Held Saturday

The Moran Booster Club is having a "6-man" volleyball tournament Saturday, April 16th. Games will begin at 8 a.m. There is a \$15.00 entry fee for each 6-person team. T-shirts will be awarded to the 1st & 2nd place teams. They are raising money for their Scholarship fund. For more information and to register contact Mary Massey at 325-945-3801.

Desdemona News

By Vonnie Guthery

Desdemona Cemetery Association will hold the annual meeting on Saturday, April 16 at the First Baptist Church annex. Business meeting to begin at 11 a.m. Bring food for the noon

Phillip Pack of Slaton visited the past weekend with his mother, Dixie Pack and sister, Vivian Menzel.

Belinda (Guthery) Webb received head injury last Thursday afternoon and she spent about five hours in the Eastland Hospital emergency room. She is at home and doing much better- but not able to work at this time.

Charlotte (Joiner) Parker of DeLeon is in the DeLeon Hospital at this time. She has been having health problems for awhile.

Jane (Clark) Guthery of Irving remains a patient in the Baylor-Irving Hospital with serious health prob-

Roy Powledge of Eastland spent-Wednesday night thru Friday in the Abilene Hendricks Hospital for sev-

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eral tests, etc. He is a son-inlaw of Karen Eaves in Desdemona.

Remember these on the sick list with your cards and prayers. Also the shut-ins and those from our area who are in the local rest homes.

Robert Alton Brown of Fort Worth visited last Sunday with his parents, Robert and Ima Brown.

Thought for today--"If you haven't met the devil face to face maybe you are going the same way he is."

Have a nice day!

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Moran Pee Wee Basketball

Moran Pee Wee basketball came to an end for the '04-'05 season on March 31st. Moran had 6 Pee Wee basketball teams this year. On the black team sponsored by The Red Barn were Caitlyn Massey, Chance Cauble, Alexaz Meridith and Harley Schaefer. The black team was coached by Mary Massey and Daby Tabor. The gold team sponsored by Stan's Tire Center located in Cisco were Davia Paige, Khloe New, Jesse Hawley, and Justin Wright. The gold team was coached by Robyn Schafer. The green team

Center were Courtney Massey, Utah Hawley, Jolee Tabor, Payton Cauble and Gabe Boyett. The coach for the green team was Sallie Boyett. The orange team sponsored by the Deep Creek Cafe were Elizabeth Martin, Zane Whitt, Jasmin Blue, and Tate Tabor. The coach for the orange team was Lanham Martin. The blue team sponsored by First Financial Bank of Moran were Colton Massey, Zack Parker, Jacki Tabor and Robert Hamilton. The coach for the blue team was Cody Cawley. The red team sponsored by Bob sponsored by the Moran Hebel's Trucking were

Thursday, April 14, 2005

Daniel Hernandez, Shianne Brown, Joey Hernandez and Jason Collett. The coach for the red team was Linda Hebel.

The games were organized by the Moran Booster Club. Volunteers helped with the games and concession stand, which had a generous donation from the Wounded Owl restaurant in Albany. The players were rewarded with medals, certificates and a pizza party for their hard and sportsmanship. The Moran Booster Club appreciates all the support from the sponsors, and the parents who contributed their time and efforts as well.

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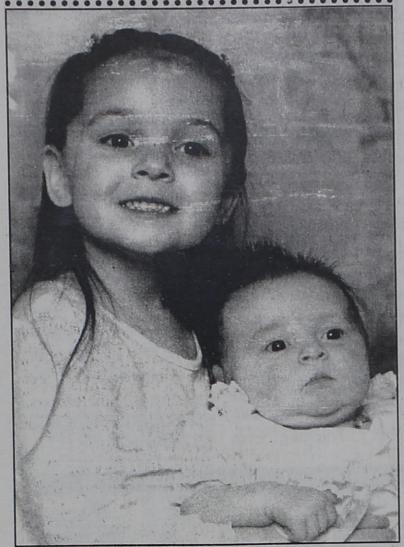
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Proud parents are Brian and Becky Marshall of Mooringsport, La.

Grandparents are Jim and Cathy Marshall of Fenville, Michigan and Harrell and Sue Steddum of Cisco. Great-grandparents are Norene and Lon Duncan of Cisco and Francis and Gordon Marshall of South Haven, Michigan and the late Mary and Kenneth Butcher of Allegan, Michigan.

'Open Heaven' Study By **Eva Wheat Vickers**

invites the community to the Heavens were opened. hear Eva Wheat Vickers Mountain Top Church is teach on the study of "Open located at 600 E. 8th in Cisco. Heavens" and "ministry of Angels," Wednesday, April 13 at 7:00 pm. God declared through the prophet Joel that His Spirit would be poured out upon humanity. Those who read God's Word find it to be full of promises for anyone who walks in His Will and purpose. Blessings, promises, and purpose are gifts for the one who walks in agreement with God, and that encounter occurs through faith.

Join Eva at Mountain Top's worship gathering as she takes us on a journey studying the reality of walking, living, and having

Mountain Top Church our being in Him, to whom For more information please call 442-2673 or 442-4479. Transportation is available in the Cisco area.

Angel Food Orders Due By Monday, April 18

The Angel Food Menu orders for April have to be in by April 18th and distribution date is April 30th. All for \$25.00. You may place your orders at Psalms and Songs Book Store 442-3752; Cotton's 442-2565; Reader's Choice in Eastland 631-0063; call Trish 442-1710; Stephanie 442-4136; and Green's Lumber & Hardware 643-4131 in Rising Star. Food Stamp Orders can be placed at Cotton's 300 W. 8th in Cisco 442-2565.

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the Democrats.

Letter To The Editor

Editor:

Well, well! What do you know! Tom DeLay is in hot water again.

Or is that still?

The ethics committee has found that he funneled big bucks in campaign monies to his wife and daughter. And the Republicans are still de-

fending him!

He represented the people of District 17.

Frank Strawn, Abilene, TX.

A RESOLUTION

REGARDING THE REROUTING OF STATE HIGH-WAY 6 AND STATE HIGHWAY 112 AND THE ROAD **DESIGNATIONS OF STATE HIGHWAY 206 AND** OLD US 80 IN EASTLAND COUNTY STATE OF TEXAS

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COUNTY OF EASTLAND

WHEREAS, The Texas Department of Transportation has an interest in promoting safety, mobility and system continuity on statewide system of highways; and

WHEREAS, The County of Eastland and the Texas Department of Transportation have an interest in routing traffic on higher capacity facilities with fewer stop conditions;

WHEREAS, The Texas Department of Transportation has completed all effected sections of SH 6 and SH 112 and the re-designation of SH 206 and old US 80.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Commissioners Court of Eastland County, Texas:

In Cisco, starting at the intersection of SH 6 and US 183, it is suggested that SH 6 be rerouted South along US 183, Control Section 0127-01 to IH 20, then along IH 20, then along IH 20, Control Section 0007-03, to the intersection of IH 20 and SH 6. SH 6 would then continue along its existing route. The existing section of SH 6, Control Section 0007-)4 between Cisco and Eastland, along with SH 206, Control Section 0007-04 in Cisco and SH 112, Control-Section 0007-04, shown in blue, would be renamed BUS 20. Existing SH 6 in Eastland from SH 112 south to IH 20, shown in orange, will be re-designated as SH 112. The existing sections of SH 206, SH 6 and SH 112 from the intersection of SH 206 and IH 20 in Cisco east to the intersection of SH 112 and IH 20 and IH 20 in Eastland, would be renamed Business 20.

RESOLUTION ADOPTED, ON THIS, THE 11TH DAY OF APRIL, 2005.

SIGNED AND ENTERED ON THE ABOVE DATE BY THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS OF THE COMMISSION-ERS COURT.

all signed

Brad Stephenson Eastland County Judge

Wayne Honea Commissioner Pct. 1

Norman Christian Commissioner Pct. 2

Bill Underwood Commissioner Pct. 3

Reggie Pittman Commissioner Pct. 4

4-Hers Compete At District 8 4-H **And Tarleton Judging Contests**

Submitted by Bob Bailey

The Eastland County 4-H Byers who was 8th High In-Livestock Judging teams dividual of the contest, Bryce nior Team competed in both made an excellent showing at the Tarleton State University Invitational and District 8 4-H Livestock Judging Con- Invitational Contest. tests, Saturday, April 9th in Stephenville.

Eastland County Extension in the District 8 Contest and Agent-Ag their members were Katie Carson Gosnell, Jarred Moylan, and Chance Eckert. This team was also 5th in the Tarleton

the Invitational Division

The Junior Team was 3rd were Ashley Mitchell, Jordon Sorrells and Kaden

The Eastland County Secontests and their members were Tylan Long who was 7th High Individual of the District 8 Contest, Chloe Other juniors competing in Byers and Lindsey Herring.

Coaches for the teams were Alton Mitchell and Bob Bailey.

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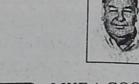
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Kokomo News

By Zelda Jordan

REVIVAL AT KOKOMO

A revival will begin at the Kokomo Baptist Church on was dismissed so members Sunday, April 17th and continue trough Wednesday, April 20th. Services on Sunday will be at 11:00 A.M. and 6:00 P.M. and Monday through Wednesday at 7:00 P.M.

will be the evangelist and the music will be directed by Glorify, the Southern Gospel Music team of Daryl Hirst of Gorman and Brenda Thomas of Cisco.

Bro. Clarence Wilson, pastor, and the members of the church cordially invite the public to come and worship with them during these services. A covered dish lunch will be served in the fellowship hall following the Sunday morning service.

"There Is Someone Who Cares For You" was beautifully rendered by the

choir at the Sunday morning service at the Kokomo Baptist Church. The choir was directed by Woodrow Browning with Glynda Bond at the piano. Those in the choir were Zelda Jordan. Crystal Snider, Sylvia Buchanan, Leona Wilson, Ruby Lee Kinser, Helen Browning, Joe Bond, and Jimmy Little. Brylee Johnson was a visitor with her grand-

mother, Cecilia Hirst.

The Sunday night service could attend the revival services at the Lake Leon Baptist Church. A good group from Kokomo did attend the

Those from the Kokomo Rev. James Bond of Plano Baptist Church going to Heritage Manor in Gorman for the Sunday afternoon church service were Bro. Clarence and Leona Wilson, Woodrow Browning, Jimmy and Verna Lee Little, Joe and Glynda Bond, Johnnie B.Griffith, Nancy Hendricks and Zelda Jordan.

Johnnie B. Griffith's brother-in-law, Elda Goodson of Freer passed away last week. We extend sincere sympathy to Johnnie B. and her

Joe and Elizabeth Vaughn and Zelda Jordan visited with Johnnie B.Griffith.

Visitors with Nancy Hendricks were Laneta Freeman, Joe and Glynda Bond, Johnnie B. Griffith, Sylvia Buchanan, Daisy Slaton and

Oren and Norma Webb enjoyed the weekend at Lake Proctor. Those joining them for a great time were Jacob Webb of Burleson, Alice Bergmark and Steven

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Joe and Glynda Bond spent Wednesday night in Copperas Cove with Shannon, Stephanie, Raegan and Sydnie Bond. Raegan and Sydnie returned home with Joe and Glynda on Thursday for a visit until Saturday. Glynda, Raegan and Sydnie met Shannon in Goldthwaite on Saturday for the girls to return home with him.

Norma Webb and Zelda Jordan were in Abilene on Thursday for Zelda's checkup on her eyes. Every thing is fine, except there is a little too much pressure in the left eye. Hopefully that will be cleared up soon. They also visited with Joyce Eaves in the Eastland Hospital. We send Joyce our prayers and get well wishes.

Sincere Sympathy is extended to the family of Jimmie Don Dorsett who was buried in the Simpson Cemetery on Saturday following graveside services.

Zelda Jordan attended the birthday party honoring Lora Fay Warren at Gorman on Sunday afternoon.

Sylvia Buchanan, Nancy Hendricks and Daisy Slaton enjoyed the movie "Million Dollar Baby" at Eastland on Monday night.

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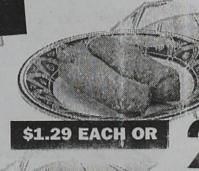
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lasts an average of 30 minutes. Of the estimated 100,000 thunderstorms that occur each year in the United States, about 10 percent are classified as severe.

1,800 thunderstorms occur at any moment around the world. That's 16 million a year!

What Are Thunderstorms? What Causes Them?

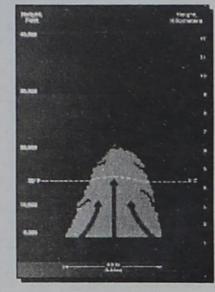
- The National Weather Service considers a thunderstorm severe if it produces hail at least 3/4-inch in diameter, winds of 58 mph or stronger, or a tornado.
- Every Thunderstorm Needs:

Moisture - to form clouds and rain.

Unstable air - warm air that can rise rapidly.

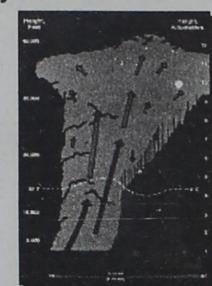
Lift - cold or warm fronts, sea breezes, mountains, or the sun's heat are capable of lifting air to help form thunderstorms.

Life Cycle of a Thunderstorm



Developing Stage

- Towering cumulus cloud indicates rising air.
- Usually little if any rain during this stage.
- Lasts about 10 minutes.
- Occasional lightning.



Mature Stage

- Most likely time for hail, heavy rain, frequent lightning, strong winds, and tornadoes.
- Storm occasionally has a black or dark green appearance.
- Lasts an average of 10 to 20 minutes but may last much longer in some storms.



Dissipating Stage

- Rainfall decreases in intensity.
- Can still produce a burst of
- strong winds.

Lightning remains a danger.

Weather Radar Watches the Sky

The National Weather Service has strategically located Doppler radars across the country that can detect air movement toward or away from a radar. detection of increasing rotation aloft within a form can allow life-saving warnings to be sued before the tornado forms. In the figure below her Service Doppler radar detected strong

rotation within the storm where red colors (winds moving away from the radar) and green (winds blowing toward the radar) are close together. The photograph at below right shows a violent tornado in northern Oklahoma at the same time the radar image



Tornado Myths and Truths

MYTH: Areas near lakes, rivers, and mountains are safe from tornadoes.

TRUTH: No place is safe from tornadoes. A tornado near Yellowstone National Park left a path of destruction up and down a 10,000 foot mountain.

MYTH: The low pressure with a tornado causes buildings to "explode" as the tornado passes overhead. TRUTH: Violent winds and debris slamming into buildings cause most structural damage.

MYTH: Windows should be opened before a tornado approaches to equalize pressure and

minimize damage. TRUTH: Leave the windows alone. The most important action is to immediately go to a safe shelter.

MYTH: If you are driving and a tornado is sighted, you should turn and drive at right angles to the storm. TRUTH: The best thing to do is to seek the best available shelter. Many people are injured or killed when remaining in their vehicles.

MYTH: People caught in the open should seek shelter under highway overpasses. TRUTH: Take shelter in a sturdy reinforced building if at all possible. Overpasses, ditches, and culverts may provide limited protection from a tornado, but your risk will be greatly reduced by moving inside a strong building.

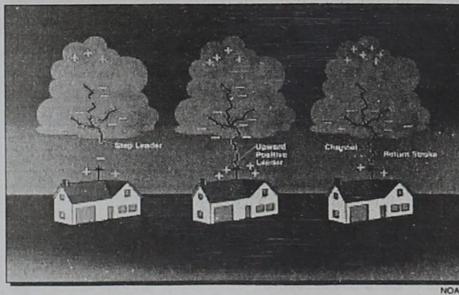
> Frequently asked questions about tornadoes can be found on the Internet at www.spc.noaa.gov/faq/tornado/index.html.

Lightning...

How Lightning Forms

Lightning results from the buildup and discharge of electrical energy between positively and negatively charged areas. Rising and descending air within a thunderstorm separates these positive and negative charges. Water and ice particles also affect charge distribution.

A cloud-to-ground lightning strike begins as an invisible channel of electrically charged air moving from the cloud toward the ground. When one channel nears an object on the ground, a powerful surge of electricity from the ground moves upward to the clouds and produces the visible lightning strike.





Lightning Facts

- Lightning causes an average of 80 fatalities and 300 injuries each year.
- Lightning occurs in all thunderstorms; each year lightning strikes the Earth 20 million times.
- The energy from one lightning flash could light a 100-watt light bulb for more than 3 months.
- Most lightning fatalities and injuries occur when people are caught outdoors in the summer months during the afternoon and evening.
- Lightning can occur from cloud-to-cloud, within a cloud, cloud-to-ground, or cloud-to-air.
- Many fires in the western United States and Alaska are started by lightning.
- The air near a lightning strike is heated to 50,000°F hotter than the surface of the sun! The rapid heating and cooling of the air near the lightning channel causes a shock wave that results in thunder.

How far away is the Thunderstorm?

- Count the number of seconds between a flash of lightning and the next clap of thurder.
- Divide this number by 5 to determine the distance to the lightning in miles.

Tornadoes.

Although tornadoes occur in many parts of the world, they are found most frequently in the United States. In an average year, 1,200 tornadoes cause 70 fatalities and 1,500 injuries nationwide. You can find statistical information on tornadoes at www.spc.noaa.gov.

Tornado Facts

- A tornado is a violently rotating column of air extending from a thunderstorm to the ground.
- Tornadoes may appear nearly transparent until dust and debris are picked up or a cloud forms within the funnel. The average tornado moves from southwest to northeast, but tornadoes have been known to move in any direction.
- The average forward speed is 30 mph but may vary from nearly stationary to 70 mph.
- The strongest tornadoes have rotating winds of more than 250 mph.
- Tornadoes can accompage tropical storms and hurricanes as they move onto land.
- Waterspouts are tornadoes which form over warm water. They can move onshore and cause damage to coastai areas.

When and Where Tornadoes Occur

- Tornadoes can occur at any time of the year.
- Tornadoes have occurred in every state, but they are most frequent east of the Rocky Mountains during the spring and summer months.
- In the southern states, peak tomado occurrence is March through May, while peak months in the northern states are during the late spring and summer.
- Tornadoes are most likely to occur between 3 and 9 p.m. but can happen at any time.

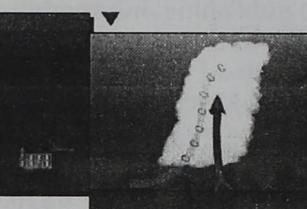


How Tornadoes Form

Before thunderstorms develop, a change in wind direction and an increase in wind speed with increasing height creates an invisible, horizontal spinning effect in the lower atmosphere.

Rising air within the thunderstorm updraft tilts the rotating air from horizontal to vertical.

An area of rotation, 2-6 miles wide, now extends through much of the storm. Most tornadoes form within this area of strong rotation.



Violent Tornadoes

Less than 1% of all tornadoes

■ 70% of all tornado deaths

Lifetime can exceed 1 hour

Tornadoes Take Many Shapes and Sizes

■ Nearly 30% of all tornado deaths

■ May last 20 minutes or longer

Strong Tornadoes

■ 11% of all tornadoes

Weak Tornadoes

- 88% of all tomadoes
- Less than 5% of tornado deaths
- Lifetime 1 10+ minutes ■ Winds less than 110 mph



■ Winds 110-205 mph

Mary Hurley



In recent years, people have been killed by lightning while:

- ✓ boating
- ✓ swimming
- ✓ golfing bike riding
- ✓ standing under a tree
- riding on a lawnmower ralking on the telephone
- ✓ loading a truck
- riding a horse
- ✓ playing soccer fishing in a boat
- mountain climbing

Lightning Myths and Truths

MYTH: If it is not raining, then there is no danger from lightning.

TRUTH: Lightning often strikes outside of heavy rain and may occur as far as 10 miles away from any rainfall. This is especially true in the western United States where thunderstorms sometimes produce very little rain.

MYTH: The rubber soles of shoes or rubber tires on a car will protect you from being struck by lightning. **TRUTH**: Rubber-soled shoes and rubber tires provide **NO** protection from lightning. The steel frame of a hard-topped vehicle provides increased protection if you are not touching metal. Although you may be injured if lightning strikes your car, you are much safer inside a vehicle than outside.

MYTH: People struck by lightning carry an electrical charge and should not be touched. TRUTH: Lightning-strike victims carry no electrical charge and should be attended to immediately. Contact your local American Red Cross chapter for information on CPR and first aid classes:

MYTH: "Heat lightning" occurs after very hot summer days and poses no threat. TRUTH: "Heat lightning" is a term used to describe lightning from a thunderstorm too far away for thunder to be heard.



30/30 Lightning Safety Rule Go indoors if, after seeing lightning, you cannot count to 30 before hearing thunder. Stay indoors for 30 minutes after hearing the last clap of thurder.

Pioneer News

By Pioneer Quilting Club

We had a short crowd at next time, about the 21th of quilting on Tuesday, but got a April. lot of work done.

We got Cindy Payne's "Pin wheel "out of the frame. It is so beautiful. Hopefully she will let us put it in the Quilt shoe come November. We are working on Olena's "Log Cabin" and Earlene put an Old fasion "Flower Garden" in the frame. Laverne Hutton was not at quilting because Cowan had knee surgery in Dallas. Some of our other members were out because of illness. Hope everyone is feeling better by now!

Jim Chesshir came to the Chesshir farm last week end and plowed again. His step son mowed for Charlene again and has her place looking nice.

Thursday might was a fine game night. There were seven there. Some one had to set out while others played. They missed some of their regular players.

Hope they will be there

Earlene's family is doing well, granddaughter, DeeAnn Chisholm came through her surgery at Scott and White in good shape. Jessica stayed some with her when she came home and one night with little Matthew when Jon and Leslie went to her folks.

The cutting crew has been cutting on Earlene's trees for several days.

Guess they are doing a good job, the trees look best of 4:51. bluchered!

The countryside looks so pretty. The wildflowers are really blooming. If gas wasn't so high, I would tell you to make a trip form Cross Plains to Rising Star and on south.

Word of Wisdom: Some people are making such thorough preparations for a rainy day that they aren't enjoying today's sunshine.

See you all next time!

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Texas Tech competed at the University of Texas at El Paso Invitational on Saturday, April 2. Jessica competed in the 1500 meter run and took !st with a personal

Other Universities competing in the meet included Kansas State, UTEP, New Mexico State, and University of New Mexico. Texas Tech outran the competition, winning both the men's and women's team titles.

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New Faces of Rural America

Magazine)

"Moving to the country is once again the American Dream. The trend is strong, and it will bring inevitable change to the farm commu-

For Gustavo and Michelle Huerta, the decision was not all that difficult. They could either stay in Miami and raise their four children in an increasingly violent environment, or they could live their dream and move to the coun-

Raised in the city, the Huertas didn't like what they were seeing. One day it was a huge shootout involving 17 U.S. marshals just a few blocks from their home. Another time it was a car abandoned at their doorstep. The driver said he would be back, but the Huertas later learned the car had just been used in a robbery.

"Both of our parents were pretty shocked when we told them what we wanted to do," says Michelle. "They

thought we were crazy."

Home for the Huertas is now Bliss Farm, 200 acres of beautiful woods and pastures just outside of Dickson, Tenn., where Gustavo is a general surgeon. Home is a comfortable house in a pasture, sitting well back from lation increases. Go 30 mina little-traveled road. A garden is nearby, and so is a barn with horses, cattle, opments with "lots" of 5, 10,

(from Progressive Farmer that runs a few steps from their back door-always coming, always going, peaceful, quiet, reflective.

"When 9/11 hit, my dad said, 'Well, you all are in the best place to be," says Michelle. "And you know it is a safe place to be. It's an incredible life for my children Welleve it We just leve dren. We love it. We just love

The Huertas are not the only ones making the dream of country life come true. Forget what you've heard about people moving out of rural America-that's an old story (through still true in the Great Plains, the Delta and other remote areas). The reality is rural counties in much of the U.S. actually increased in population during the 1990s, while metropolitan areas lost population. Many are calling it a rural renais-

Certainly, some of this move to rural counties in census data is nothing more than the obvious urban sprawl-countryside just outside the city carved into small lots. But the trend is clearly more than that. Consider that most rural counties in farming states such as Iowa and Illinois saw groth during the decade. And in Tennessee, evgoats and chickens. Time even 20 acres each. In some

Why the sudden interest in rural, small-town America? Several reasons. One is that commuting to better paying jobs in larger cities have never been easier. Better roads, more comfortable cars and relatively cheap gas all encourage workers to drive farther than ever. Another trend-one likely to continue growing-is that more people are working from home thanks to the Internet and other new technology.

But the main reason may be the hardest to measure: Could it be nothing more than values have shifted? Has a sense of well-being become more important in our lives and money a little less so?

"People just want a small-town, rural feel," says Calvin Beale, a demographer with the USDA who has been studying the census data showing movement to rural counties. In trying to understand that data, he often calls local people with firsthand knowledge of the movement, including Extension agents, chambers of commerce and real estate agents.

"They tell me people are moving in who simply want to get away from cities," says Beale. "They say they're concerned about their children, that they want to get their children out of urban schools and into rural schools where it's safer and they don't have the gangs." The reasons are social, he believes, not economic.

Despite all of the negative perceptions may have about rural America (it's isolated, behind the times, poverty stricken), there are just as many positives associated with country life. A survey last year by the W.K. Kellogg Foundation found that Americans also see it as the epitome of traditional, family values, a place where life is slower, more friendly and richer in community. Hard work, such as that done by farmers, builds character.

Tim Paramore is quick to point out his admiration for farmers, especially now that he has pieced together his 35 acres 30 minutes from downtown Birmingham, Ala.

"It relates back to peoples" values and a way of life that

Daily

divided into 40-acre is better," sayd Paramore. "People are realizing that the rat race is just not worth it.

"To me it's therapy," he continues. "I'm out there by myself and just enjoy doing this."

Paramore, an information technology specialist, may not call himself a farmer, but he views his 25 acres of hay, Kubota tractor, rake and baler as more than just a hobby. He consults with his county Extension agent, tests the soil, checks the protein levels of his hay. And, being married to an accountant, he pushes a sharp pencil.

"She makes me tow the line," he says, laughing. "This year I have to show a profit." Asked if he will, Paramore smiles. "It depends

on whose rules you follow."
Jim Purcell is another who takes farming seriously. He has only 5 acres 45 miles east of Atlanta, and only a small portion of that is planted to muscadine grapes. But when he talks about muscadines, it's clear he sees something much bigger developing from his U-pick farm. Purcell, his wife and their

two children live just a few steps from the start of their small vineyard. Next spring, he will plant another acre of vines and install a network

of drip irrigation.

"I just love being in the country and living off the land," says the 35-year old Purcell, a deputy sheriff in DeKalb County. "They all give me a hard time at work, calling me Muscadine Man and Farmer John. They don't understand."

What they don't under-stand is that although Purcell grew up in Atlanta, he feels this is what he was always meant to do. He has plans to have a U-pick business fully established by the time he retires. "I must have farming in my blood. I enjoy it so much I wish I could go into business full time now.

"I'm a very private person", he adds. "I want to live out where you can't hear or see your neighbors."

And so Purcell sees the inevitable: If he wants peace, quiet and remoteness, he il probably have to move further from Atlanta. He is certainly not alone in that thought. How many people

can move to the country and it still be called country? If this trend continues- and the USDA's Beale believes it will- there will be many issues everyone will have to address. Among them:

Rising land values Even in areas not close to large cities, land values have far exceeded their agricul-

tural worth. County government
More people puts a heavier
load on roads and bridges, schools, and other services.

Many county governments are struggling to service their residents as it is. Land-use regulations Zoning has long been a dirty word in the farming

community, certain to fail if brought up for a vote. That's no longer necessarily true as more people see zoning and easements as a way of growing but still preserving rural

character. Culture clash

Spraying chemicals, run-ning combines at midnight and spreading manure are the realties of farmers. Will their new neighbors understand? So does this mean that

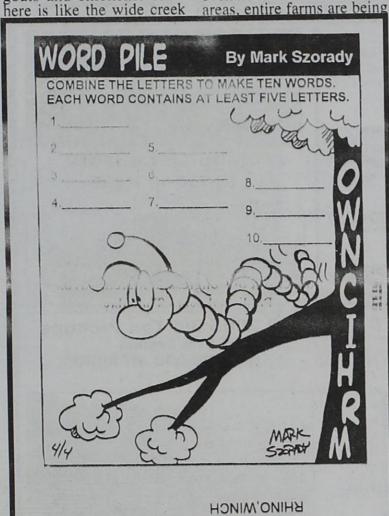
these changes in rural America are all bad? Hardly. Change is always difficult, and the growth in rural areas is something as inevitable as growth in the U.S. popula-And who is to say that the Tim Paramores and Jim Purcells of this movement

Thursday, April 14, 2005

are not farmers? Small, yes, but the motivation and spirit are there. As for the Huertas, Gustavo and Michelle recently told their children that the stock market had reduced their college funds considerably, and they could now invest their money differently if they wanted. Vince, 14, didn't hesitate- he wanted to buy cattle, and now he has 10 bred Angus heifers.

His mother says that, more than anything, the country has offered her children a rich experience in life they would never have found in a city. They have learned about widlife and hunting, gardening and forestry. Now, one is learning to become a cattle-

"We've learned so much here," Michelle says. "The lessons, they just don't end."



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1. Acronym for Universal Technical Institute,
4. Curved wooden harness piece to which the
traces are attached.
8. Organized crime syndicate branch head.
12. Acronym for Steve Reeves International Female red deer. Acronym for Association for Women in

binary compound.
20. Acronym for Oxygen Depletion Sensor.
21. Familiar form of address for a young man.
23. Communication by means other than the physical senses.
24. Colorless liquid of neutral spirits distilled

Openly displayed anger. No. General sunrise direction. 36. Strike repeatedly.
39. Show the teeth in amusement.
41. Fried tortilla stuffed with seasoned meat, cheese and lettuce.
42. Acronym for Intermediate Gear Box.
43. Dance movement concluding a classical

te.
Acronym for Intercollegiate Opera Group.
Past subjective of "be."
Acronym for System High Security Mode.
Thought.
Melody.

50. Melody.
51. Put something in a specified state.
52. Rate at which energy is drawn from a source of electricity in a circuit.
54. Tear away roughly.
56. Netherlands city manufacturing textiles and electronics.
60. Mountain opening.
63. Brief sleep.
65. Russian aircraft designers Mikoyan and Gurevich.

revich. Acronym for Atomic Mass Unit. Intestinal obstruction causing colic.

 A long distance.
 Acronym for Sentinel Lymph Node opsy.
Notable adventure.
Grayish, vellowish blue.

Dentistry.

34. Acronym for Standing Committee on the 4. Action
anvironment.
5. Robe of office.
6. Lurgest lake in Japan.
7. City in northeast Hungary.
8. Acronym for Airborne Rocket Interceptor.
40. Assume an upright position.
44. Distinctive unit of linguistic structure.
47. Vertebrate organ of hearing.
49. Acronym for Intermediate Frequency Modulation.

School.

Tropical herb with large, showy flowers.
Turkish civil or military leader title.
D. Hollow cylinder used to conduct liquid.
L. One-dollar bills.
Sharp implement used as a weapon.
Acronym for German Shorthaired Pointer.
D. Pole used to row a boat.
Single entity.

. Single entity.
Set of articles used for a specific purpose.
Go after and obtain.
Period between dusk and midnight.
Posterior opening of the alimentary canal.
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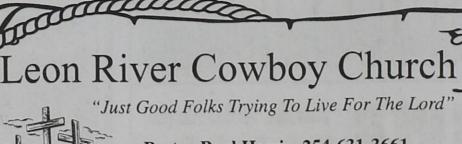
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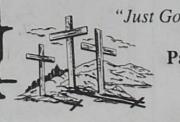
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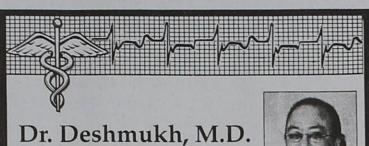




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Obituary

Johnsie Mae Allen

BAIRD- Johnsie Mae Allen, 83, died April 6, 2005 in an Abilene hospital.

Funeral services were held at 2 p.m. Saturday, April 9, 2005 at the First United Methodist Church. Pastor Larry Gaumond officiated, directed by Parker Funeral Home. Burial was in the Ross Cemetery annex.

Johnsie was born in Belle Plaine, TX on July 13, 1921. She graduated from Baird High School in 1937. She started her teaching career in Baird in 1941 after receiving her B.A. degree from Abilene Christian College. She did graduate work at ENMU, and in 1951 she received her M.A. degree from Sul Ross State University. Through the years she has taught second, third, fourth, and sixth grades and high school at all levels. She had also directed one-act plays and many UIL activities including debate speaking events, spelling, science, and number sense. She had also been a class sponsor of the BETA Club. She had taught 37 years with 18 of these being in Baird where she retired on May 31, 1988. She had taught in Andrews, Laredo, Merkel, Marathon, Kerrville, Ozona, Grenville, Miss; Sidney, NE; and Roswell, N.M.

Mrs. Allen was active in Texas State Teachers Association, National Teachers of English, Business and Professional Women, American Association of University Women, and Delta Kappa Gamma.

She had been a resident of Baird since 1971. She belonged to the First United Methodist Church. She married William C. Allen in Snyder on March 28, 1944. He preceded her in death on August 28, 1986.

She is survived by two daughters, Heather Guthrie of Gainesville and Kim Kenny of Irving; one son, Mark Allen of Baird; one brother, Mike Hughes of Gorman; one sister, Fonda Brown of Baird; five grandchildren, Justin and Jeremy Corley, Sean Guthrie, Maggie Allen, and Liam Guthrie; one great-granddaughter, Serenity Corley; and a number of nieces and nephews.

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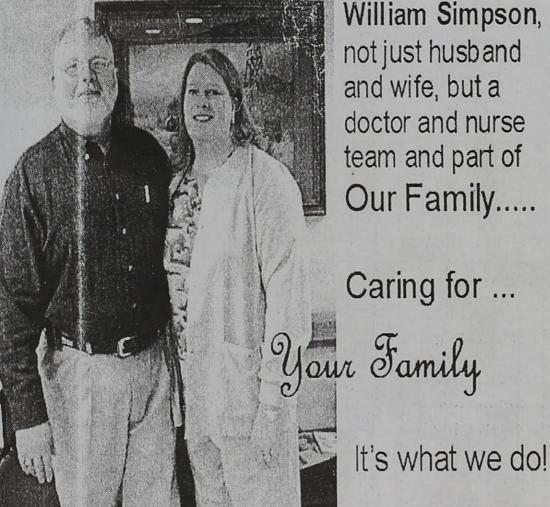
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The action was based on damages and losses caused by excessive rain, flash flooding, flooding, hail, high winds, and lightning that occurred on November 15, 2004 and continuing.

In accordance with section 321 (a) of the consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act, Eastland and Callahan County were named as contiguous disaster along with counties, Comanche, Coleman, McCullock, Mills, and San Saba.

Loan applications will be received through November 07, 2005. For the purpose of determining loan security values for loan applications, the beginning date of the incidence period November 15, 2004.

For more information about the emergency loans, contact Rick Young at the Farm Service Agency (FSA) in Anson at 325-823-3255, ext. 3.

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Tom Ivey

Baird FFA will hold their Anual Rabies Clinic April 19th at the Ag Building Times are 4:00pm-6:00pm Rabies Shot \$10.00 **All Shots \$25.00** All Proceeds benifit **Baird FFA** For more information call 325-854-1400. Ext. 318

County Honors Employess National County April 10-16

Callahan County begins tinuing through the day.

ment week is a perfect time to honor our county heroes," said County Judge Roger Corn. "Whether they police our streets, fight our fires, build new bridges, maintain county buildings, or provide medical services, county employees are servicing America."

NCGW is sponsored by the National Association of Counties (NACo) to raise public awareness about the toles and responsibilities of Counties. Callahan County is one of more than 1,000 counties nationwide that participate in the week. The theme of this year's celebration is "Honoring County



The Great Pyramids of Egypt are the only surviving Wonder of the Ancient World.

Government Week

celebration of National County Government Week (NCGW). The County will be holding an Open House on Friday, April 15 beginning at 9:00 a.m. and con-

"National County Govern-

Heroes."

We Welcome Birth, Wedding, & Engagement **Announcements - Mail to 211 Market Street in Baird**

Callahan County 4-H News April '05'

Callahan County **Photography** Project

We are in the process of starting this year's countywide Photography Project. Kamie Pruet has offered to serve as Project Leader. We will have our first outing of the year on April 30. We will be taking a tour of some of our local ranches hoping to be able to "Catch the Colors of Spring". We will meet at the County Courthouse at 1:00 pm and then travel to selected locations in the Baird vicinity. Mark your calendars for April 30th if you want to be part of the photography project.

4-H Steer Tags

Will you be showing a steer through 4-H this coming year? If you are, it is time to order steer tags. We need to know how many steers you plan on showing by April 30. You don't have to own your steers at time but we need to know how many sterrs you plan to feed. Steer validation will be in June. Call the Extension Office at 854-1518 if you need more information.

Vet Science Project Meetings (April 19)

The Vet Science Project will have its 3rd meeting on April 19th. I believe that it is a learning experience for parents and 4-H members that attend. This will be our final meeting for 2005. So

mark your calendars now!! County 4-H Camp June 14-16

This year Callahan County 4-H is once again teaming up with McCullouch, Coleman, Brown and Concho Counties 4-H to have a multi-county camp. This promises to be an enjoyable experience for all youth. Thecamp will be three days and two nights at the Brady Bible Camp in Brady, Texas. The dates will be

June 14 - June 16. Cost will be \$40. If you are interested in attending, you need to let me know by June 1st.

Hope you can go - it's going to be alot of fun.

4-H Horse Project Certification

To assure all 4-H members and horses are legal and signed up by May 1 of the 4-H year, 4-H members are encouraged to follow this procedure. Fill out a "4-H Member & Project Horse(s) Eligibility Certificate Form", listing any/all horses to be certified as projects and return form to the Extension Office. By having and maintaining a yearly file we hope to avoid questions/concerns about horse project ownership. Grade horse identification forms are also available for "grade" or unregistered horses.

National 4-H Congress

This annual event which is held in Atlanta Georgia, National 4-H Congress com-

bines plenary sessions, seminars, discussion groups and leading service learning experience with some of the nation's most outstanding community leaders, speakers and educators who will talk about current and timely info. Application forms can be picked up at the Xtension office or call for additional

When: Starts November 24th, 2005

Application Due: April 26th, 2005 Cost: \$1200

Youth who are eligible: 14-18 yrs old on Sept. 1, 2005

Submitted by, Robert Pritz, Callahan County Extension

> Wag the world how it will/Leaves must be green

> > in San Angelo

FORT CONCHO

Baird I. S. D. **Lunch Menu**

April '05'

Thursday, April 14 Stuffed Baked Potato, Broccoli W/Ranch, Texas Toast, Fruit Cobbler, Milk

Friday, April 15 Corndog, Waffle Fries, Baked Beans, Orange Quarters, Chocolate Chip Cookie, Milk

Monday, April 18 Lasagna, Tossed Salad, Peas & Carrots, Fresh Grapes, Garlic Bread, Milk

Tuesday, April 19 Carne Guisada, Refried Beans, Corn, Orange Quarters, Flour Totillas, Milk

Wednesday, April 20 Chicken Spaghetti, Peaches, Green Beans, Texas Toast, Frozen Yogurt, Milk

Thursday, April 21 Fish Strips/Tartar Sauce, Tossed Salad, Fresh Fruit, Macaroni & Cheese, Hot Roll, Milk

Commissioners

From Front Page.....

Thursday, April 14, 2005

POP's MISSISSIPPI

CATFISH HOUSE

OPENS FRIDAY IN

RE-VAMPED SITE

Mohammad and Mississippi

catfish has come to our area

for all to savor.

The mountain went to

The Grand Opening of

Pop's House of Mississippi

Catfish is set for 11 a.m.

Friday, and service will

The Danny Hutto family

came here from that Deep

South state and is now

offering the super succulent

taste treat for which

Mississippi is famous.

Cooked with finesse in

nothing but the finest peanut

oil, the delightful morsels are

served either in fillets or in

whole state, with all the

trimmings. It's the only place

in this area where this

In a recent preview trial run

to make sure the kitchen and

wait staff were up to par, a

number of guests feasted to

their hearts delight...and to a

person, went away saying,

"This is some kind of good

There is no private club

The Huttos came with

intent:

purchased the 68-acre

property between Eastland

and Cisco that formerly was

site for Red's Steak House.

With great foresight, they

remodeled the building

inside and out and are

working continually to bring

the property up to their high

A multi-talented family,

they've also relocated their

successful trucking company

here and guesses are that

accounts for the transport of

the superior catfish to this

location. They pride

themselves on rewarding

their employees above

Pop's kitchen turns the

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Prices are reasonable,

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continue through 9 p.m.

allow Texas Communications to review the bids and make sure all specifications are sufficient. Commissioner Grider seconded and motion carried 5-0. This item will be put on the April 25, 2005 Agenda.

Commissioner Farmer made a motion to authorize Dianne Alexander as reprereguarding sentative T.A.S.B. Pool 6 Electricity Contract Award in case Judge Corn is not available. Commissioner Holland Seconded and motion carried 5-0.

Commissioner Farmer made a motion to purhase a new computer out of the Technology Fund for Precinct #1 Justice of Peace. Commissioner Hicks seconded and motion carried 5-0.

Commissioner Hicks made a motion to pay approved bills. Commisioner Holland seconded and motion carried 5-0.

Judge Corn made a motion to adjourn. Commissioner Grider seconded and motion carried 5-0.

Also present were: Eddie Curtis, Sharon Owens and Gary Grady.

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considering the quality: whole or fillets with trimmings (slaw, hush puppies, etc.), \$9.95; 6 fillet strips with trimmings, \$6.50. Boiled, fried or blackened shrimp or stuffed crabs, \$10.95; children and senior menus available from \$4.95 to \$5.95, served in bright, spic and span surroundings by attentive folks who do it in style with true Southern 52 53 54 55 gentility.

You'll think you've been to the Gulf Coast—and thank us for recommending Pop's .-HVO.

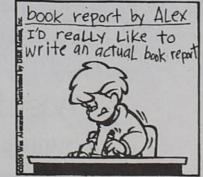
D. P. S. Report 04-03-05 to 04-09-05

Cases Investigated Warnings - 103 Complaints - 160

Accidents

There was one accident investigated during this time span.

STORMFIELD





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