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Callahan County Library News

New books at the library are: Running Hot* by Jayne Ann Krentz, Double Minds by Terri Blackstock, Three Weeks to Say Goodbye* by C.J. Box, Run for Your Life* by James Patterson and Kill for Me* by Karen Rose.

A few not so new books are: Santa Cruise by Mary Higgins Clark and Carol Higgins Clark, Room One by Andrew Clements, Echo Park* by Michael Connelly and The Glass Wall by Clare Curzon.

*Large print books, all of these books were purchased with Loan Star Libraries Grant money.

From the Past
Callahan County Clarendon

May 1, 1880

Dr. M.J. McGee is moving his drug store from here up into Jones County. He took one load in the early part of the week. We hope he will find a good field where he can do a remunerative business. We are sorry to learn of the prostration by sickness of John J. Adkins, but hope soon to see him among us again.

We were glad to see Mrs. J.W. Smith about again. After ten weeks sickness, no doubt she appreciates her returning health.

Mine host of the Power House is erecting a new building 22 x 26 in the rear of his hotel, which he designs for a kitchen and dining room. This will give him room to accommodate all who come to him to be fed. He expects to have it ready for the coming court week.

Our young friend, Howard Carlisle, left last Wednesday for Stephenville, where he is taking his clip of wool to market. He reports his sheep in a flourishing condition. We are glad to know that sheep men in this county have sustained comparatively no losses during the past winter; and it is gratifying to them that the market of wool is good and prices high.

Extreme Wildfire Danger Predicted For Large Portion Of Texas

Texas Forest Service urges caution

COLLEGE STATION, Texas-- Texas Forest Service (TFS) warns that extreme wildfire danger could occur in areas west of Interstate 35 on Thursday. Elevated to critical wildfire danger could be experienced through Friday evening.

The extreme wildfire danger is predicted to begin Thursday morning.

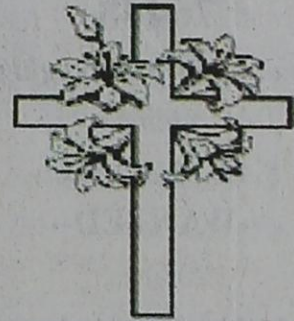
Dan Byrd, a National Weather Service meteorologist working with TFS, said the combination of strong winds and relative humidity values in the single digits to low teens could create an extremely dangerous situation for the affected areas. Winds are predicted to gust as high as 50 to 60 mph over portions of the Permian Basin and 35 to 45 mph as far east

as Interstate 35. Fire behavior analyst Darrell Schulte said that wildfires that start on Thursday could spread from two to four mph, or about 15 miles every minute. Flame lengths could reach as high as 20 feet.

Since Jan. 22, 2009, the beginning of the winter wildfire season, TFS has responded to 565 wildfires for 104,633 acres. During the same period, local fire departments have reported an additional 4,118 wildfires for 100,061 acres according to an online database managed by TFS.

For more information on fire advisories and area conditions, go to <http://texas-forestservice.tamu.edu> and click on Fire Danger/Advisories.

Happy Easter



Thank You

The impact of the loss of our employee, Brian Crane, has proved to be very grievous.

American Metals USA, Inc. would like to thank the community of Baird for such an outpouring of compassion, kindness, love and prayers. We have seen how the generosity of so many touched the Crane family and made it possible for the family to move forward with their lives.

Thanks so much to the Baird School, The Baird Churches, the First Baptist Church of Clyde, and the many individuals who ministered to this family.

May God Bless you every one,
The Tolletts and
American Metals USA,
Inc.

Jr. Class Prom To Be April 18

BAIRD, TX -- The Baird Junior Class is pleased to announce that on April 18, 2009 that they will be hosting "A Formal Affair" for Prom 2009 at the Abilene Country Club from 7 to 11 in the evening. The DJ for that night's entertainment is JB Cloud of 99.7 KBCY and the photographer is Stan West of Abilene, Texas.

Written by: Alysa Isenhower BHS Journalism Class

Baird FFA Chapter Rabies Clinic April 20th

The Baird FFA Chapter will hold its annual rabies clinic on Monday, April 20th at the Ag building. The clinic will start at 4:00 p.m. and finish up at 6:00 p.m. Due to safety we prefer that you not bring cats this year, you will need to take them to the clinic in Clyde for their shots. Prices on dogs will be \$12.00 for the rabies shot only or \$30.00 for a combo shot.

Proceeds will benefit the Baird FFA Chapter. Thanks for your support.

Submitted by Danny Vestal AST



Armed with face paint military style, a head lamp, and fatigues, Hardin-Simmons University sophomore Nick Dickerson (R) of Clyde and Brenden Boyd (L) of Albany knows the stealth involved in a successful game of Capture the Flag. (Story inside.)

Baird ISD Dressing And Grooming Survey Results

The following are the results from the surveys that were returned by the parents.

I feel secure in saying that the district does not need to form a dress code committee at this time.

I have included remarks from parents and some school personnel that have expressed their opinions.

Some items may be tweaked by the administration (ie. Short and skirt length), but overall, I feel that it stands solid.

Keep in mind that extracurricular teams, groups, or clubs may have a more stringent codes.

Thank you for your support.
Edgar B.

Dear Parent or Guardian:

Baird ISD is in the process of reviewing current policies. The information below is the current "Dress and Grooming" policy. We are asking that you review the current policy and circle "YES" or "NO" at the bottom of the article for each numbered item.

If a majority of parents feel that the current policy is acceptable, the district will not form a committee.

If a majority of parents feel that the current policies need to be reviewed and amended, the district will form a committee of school personnel, parents and students to review the areas of greatest concern.

It is our desire to meet the expectations of the community, but not spend time covering areas that are not a concern to the community. So, your input is very valuable to our goal of meeting your expectations and needs.

Thank you in advance,
Edgar B. Camacho - Superintendent

DRESS AND GROOMING

The district's dress code is established to teach grooming and hygiene, prevent disruption, and minimize safety hazards. Students and parents may determine a student's personal dress and grooming standards, provided that they comply with the following: We expect students to come to school in clothes that are clean and neat, and we expect students to exhibit basic cleanliness and grooming that will not be a health or safety threat to themselves or to other students or staff. While we understand students' desire to express themselves in their clothing and grooming styles, we

do not permit students to wear clothing with pictures, emblems, or writing that is lewd, offensive, vulgar, or obscene or that advertises or depicts tobacco products, alcoholic beverages, drugs, or any other substance that students are prohibited from having or using at school. The principal makes decisions about dress and grooming violations.

Student dress and grooming shall comply with the following guidelines:

1. The District prohibits pictures, symbols, emblems, or writing on clothing and accessories (i.e. jewelry, rings, or belt buckles) that:

A. Are lewd, offensive, vulgar, or obscene

B. Advertise or depict tobacco products, alcoholic beverages, drugs, or any other illegal substance

C. Refer to satanic, cult, or gang activities

2. Shorts are allowed for PK-12 grades.

3. Shorts and skirts should not be shorter than fingertip length.

4. A blouse or shirt that is in tank top form must have at least a 2-inch strap. Less than 2 inches will not be permitted.

5. Students will not be permitted to wear see-through clothing or have midriffs exposed.

6. Undergarments may not be worn as outerwear.

7. Pants, shorts, and slacks must be worn at the natural waist.

8. Students must wear shoes at all times. Cleats or spikes on shoes will not be permitted indoors.

9. Extremely torn clothing will not be permitted.

10. Students will be required to wear their hair well groomed and clean at all times, and extreme modes of hair design and color will not be permitted.

11. Boys' hair must be out of student's eyes and may not extend past the earlobe or below the shirt collar.

12. Capri pants must come below the bottom of the knee.

13. No jewelry may be visible in any pierced area of the body except for the ear.

14. Males are not permitted to wear earrings during school hours or at any school-sponsored activity on or off campus after hours.

15. Sponsors of extracurricular activities may set individual dress and appearance standards for designated school-approved uniforms with the approval

of the principal.

15. Students may not have or wear hats, caps, sweat bands, visors, head coverings, or bandanas in the school building—(neither males nor females).

16. Sunshades may not be worn in the building or classroom during school hours unless a physician has prescribed them for indoor use.

17. Any disruptive or distracting mode of clothing or grooming, in the principal's judgment, that adversely impacts the educational process is not acceptable.

Failure to adhere to the established dress and grooming codes may result in disciplinary action.

If your child comes to school wearing clothes that violate the dress code or in any other way violates our dress and grooming standards, she or he will be placed in in-school suspension until she or he is in compliance. We will make efforts to notify you as soon as possible; and if the student changes clothes or otherwise comes into compliance with the dress and grooming standards, she or he will return to regular classes immediately.

Survey question number:
** Please return to campus office by Monday February 23, 2009.

Please circle "YES" or "NO" for any numbered dress code item that you feel needs to be addressed and "NO" if the item is acceptable to you..

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| 1. YES (5%) or NO | If YES, which lettered item |
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| 2. YES (12%) or NO | |
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| 9. YES (12%) or NO | |
| 10. YES (5%) or NO | |
| 11. YES (35%) or NO | |
| 12. YES (29%) or NO | |
| 13. YES (5%) or NO | |
| 14. YES (5%) or NO | |

(Continued Inside)

WELCOME TO BAIRD, TX - "A Happening Lil' Town" USA

CALLAHAN COUNTY STAR SPOTLIGHT

WRITERS SHOWCASE

(All submitters retain ownership)

Appreciate God

By Hazel Stone
1444 Pagewood Ave.
Odessa, Texas 79761

Usually when I write, the Lord provides the subject. Recently a short song I sang as a child kept running through my mind. Actually, on Sunday nights about thirty minutes before the evening service, the children in our small church would gather on one side of the auditorium, directly behind the piano, and each child would select a song to lead while the group of children would sing.

One song was called "Grumble" and the words were:

"In every town and city, some people can be found

Who spend their time in grumbling, at everything around.

Oh yes, they always grumble, no matter what folks say

For they are chronic grumblers, and they grumble all the day.

Oh, they

Grumble on Sunday, Monday, Tuesday- grumble on Wednesday too

Grumble on Thursday, Friday, Saturday- grumble the whole week through.

Yes, they

Grumble on Sunday, Monday, Tuesday-grumble on Wednesday too

Grumble on Thursday, Friday, Saturday- grumble the whole week through.

In James 5:9 we read:

"Do not grumble against each other." We know that the children of Israel murmured against Moses and Aaron and that Job was reprimanded for murmuring (Job 15:11). In the Psalms we are told to "avoid murmuring" and are counseled not to complain. In Philippians 2:14 we learn to "do all things without murmurings and disputes." Even Jesus, in John 6:43 said:

"Murmur not among yourselves." Martha grumbled about Mary leaving her to serve alone. Psalms and Lamentations both warn about complaining.

When Jesus rode into Jerusalem on a donkey's colt, the whole town came out to sing His praises. He accepted their praise, but He was wise enough to know that in a couple of days the hosannas would turn to hisses.

A new teacher, a young man, had the praise of his students until the first grades came out and then some of the students turned on him. One colleague said, "Praise is like bubblegum- chew it, but don't swallow it!"

Instead of grumbling about all the "what isn't" things in life, praise God for what is! God lives in His people's praises. Psalm 34:1 says "I will bless the Lord at all times. His praise shall continually be in my mouth."

After Norman Vincent Peale died, his widow, Ruth, writes that there were always some little aches waiting for her, but she filled her thoughts with praise and found that there wasn't room for both aches and praise.

A noted editor once noticed a particularly fine achievement by a friend, also an editor. He thought he would write immediately a letter of congratulation to his friend. But he didn't.

There was a day or two of delay then he said to himself, "Oh, pshaw! He will get hundreds of other notes about it, so I shall not bother him with mine." Then

he met his friend and told him how it happened he had failed to send his letter of commendation. "How many do you think I did receive?" asked the friend. The editor guessed many scores. But the answer was, "not one".

Give others praise when it is deserved. Everyone needs a helpful word.

Scripture says "let everything that has breath praise the Lord..." When we fail to praise God we need to ask for forgiveness. Our Heavenly Father knows exactly what we need. He is so good!

At the end of the year remember the events of the year and praise Him. You could say:

Thank You, Prince of Peace - Isaiah 9:6 - for removing fear.

Thank You, Light of Light- John 8:12- for weddings, babies and reunions.

Thank You, God of All Comfort- II Corinthians 1:32- at funerals.

Thank You, Our Guide- Psalm 48:14- for wonderful vacations, meetings and projects.

Thank You, God of a new year.

Give God "praise names". We need to learn to praise "in season and out of season". Psalm 51:15 states:

"Oh Lord open thou my lips: my mouth shall show forth thy praise."

Applause is not the best indicator of success. Some never win any praise. Being praised doesn't always mean one is doing right and getting crucified does not always mean one has failed.

One manager told an employee, "I can always count on you." Another manager said to a secretary, "You never get anything done on time."

When it comes to people you and I choose whether to be uplifting with praise and compliments or to be hurtful with faultfinding and criticism.

Fred Bauer wrote: "Stop me God when I would be acidic

Help me be a builder-upper, not a critic."

A building can be razed in a matter of seconds and yet the same structure can take several years to build.

G.W. Goethale said: "No task is too small to be done well". Also, H. Bushnell wrote about complaining. He said: "You are never to complain of your birth, your training, your employment or your hardships. Never fancy that you could be something if only you had a different lot assigned to you. God understands His own plan and He knows what you want a great deal better than you do."

It's the little things that really make up the whole of life. At the end of life, people often look back and realize that it was the little things in life that were really important.

Robin White Goode wrote: "Father, help me to recognize that I cannot be given the big things until I've been proven faithful in the little things." We should start each day by listing a few of the wonderful little blessings the Lord provides to make us happy.

God has everything- can do anything- is everything and yet He wants something from us. He wants our devotion, our gratitude, our obedience and our praise. In return, we get everything. What could be more wonderful?

FRIENDSHIP

Friendship is filled with so many things

Such as love, life and freedom

Love, floats around you and your friends

Life, is exciting and joyful

And you have freedom with your friends

Friendship is also filled with..

Support, care, loyalty

Care, because they are always looking out for you

They're loyal, because they respect you for who you are

Friendship is also filled with..

Faith, laughter, and most importantly fun

They always have faith in you

Laughter is like a shield around us

And well we always have FUN together.

- Rachel Villarreal Baird, Texas

Happy Easter



Writers And Poets!

The Eastland/Callahan County Newspapers announce that the Baird Star will be publishing submitted poetry and short stories. We will also be publishing a literary journal in the near future.

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be sending sample copies to other organizations, the literary world and libraries for their archives and your notoriety.

3. Short stories should be brief. Poetry should be no longer than 24 lines.
4. Each submission should be typewritten, single spaced, with author's name and contact information in the top right hand corner. You must

include a SASE for the return of the submission.

5. Please address all submissions to:
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Eastland/Callahan County Newspapers
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20 lines,

double spaced or less

Poetry

Fiction or Non

Each entry with brief biography notes. All must be family oriented; no smut, slander or liable material.

American Life In Poetry

BY TED KOOSER, U.S. POET LAUREATE, 2004-2006

Some of you are so accustomed to flying that you no longer

sit by the windows. But I'd guess that at one time you

gazed down, after dark, and looked at the lights below you

with innocent wonder. This poem by Anne Marie Macari of New

Jersey perfectly captures the gauziness of those lights as well as the loneliness that often accompanies travel.

From the Plane

It is a soft thing, it has been sifted from the sieve of space and seems asleep there under the moths of light.

Cluster of dust and fire, from up here

you are a stranger and I am dropping

through the funnel of air to meet you.

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Solitary Recluse

Where is thy keeping Okatydid
Your wispy web of mystery trails
'neath Willows weeping neath garbage can lid
'Mongst refuse so foul and rusty nails.

I seek you out by such shrill a cry
And marvel at the sounds you issue
I prowl through dirty rags and strongly try
To feel you out 'mongst littered tissue.

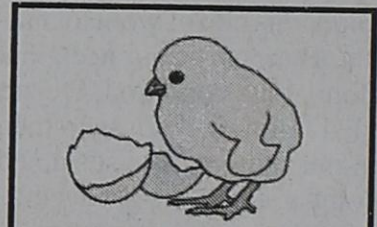
I poke and peek 'neath the tangled twine
Then lift to peer 'neath ruffled refuse
And there 'long side the Bacon's wrinkled
rind

I wrest this solitary recluse.

I snort at this wee magical gnome
Whose lute I have finally followed
Then pant and puff as I nastily mean
And then fell on the ground and wallowed.

Grasping my fiery finger I shook
And gaped at the bite of this biter
Then hobbled away from this thing I mistook
For a Katydid, this Brown Recluse Spider.

- Weldon L. Smith
Eastland, Texas



Wanted: Writers & Poets

Words You Can Use:

Imsonic: This describes a word that is onomatopoeic. That should tell you what it is, but a quick thought is that it is a word that sounds like what it is. Consider the "oink" sound from a pig.

Lyssa: Do pigs get rabies? Here is another word for hydrophobia, when you need a third one. They don't use it much around Sonora, Texas.

Nepheligenous: This word describes the act of smoke being in the clouds. It was so common somewhere, that they made a word for it. Who do you think saw it first?

Ophiasis: If you have waved bands of baldness, you have this condition. Some have said it occurs in some squirrels that get lyssa. There have been no reports of it in new rock music groups in Chicago.



The pen is mightier than the sword

Obituaries

Stephanie Silba

BAIRD- Stephanie Silba, 39, formerly of Baird, Texas, died Wednesday, April 1, 2009 in her home in Irving, Texas.

Services were held at 1 p.m. Saturday, April 4, 2009 at the St. Joachim and Ann Catholic Church in Clyde with Father Robert Bush officiating. Interment followed in Ross Cemetery, Spencer-Price Addition in Baird. Services under the direction of Parker Funeral Home of Baird.

She was born March 20, 1970 in Stamford, Texas to Henry and Alice Silba. She lived most of her life in Baird where she graduated from Baird High School in 1988. She graduated from McMurry University in 1993 with a Bachelor of Science degree in Nursing. She had worked for Hendrick Medical Center for 13 years, before she took on a position as a traveling nurse in the Dallas area with Nurses Rx. While at Hendrick, she worked on Parker 5 for many years before she specialized in cardiac nursing.

She was an avid Texas Longhorn and Texas Ranger fan. She loved watching all sports and loved reading her books and novels. She was a member of St. Joachim and Ann Catholic Church in Clyde.

She was the "favorite" aunt. She spoiled all her nieces, nephews, great-nieces and

great-nephews. She took great joy in providing all of them with almost everything they wanted or needed.

She was preceded in death by her paternal grandparents, Domingo and Juanita Silba and her maternal grandmother, Henrietta Gonzales.

Survivors include her parents, Henry and Alice Silba of Baird; her grandfather, AG Gonzales of Stamford; two sisters, Kathy Silba and Chris Chavarria and husband Leonard, all of Baird; two nephews, J.J. Carrillo and wife Carrie of Abilene, and Thomas Chavarria of Baird; two nieces, Kayla Carrillo of Baird and Cissy Chavarria and husband, Micahel Ziegenhagen of Abilene; 3 great-nephews, Parker Adams, Dominic and Xander Carrillo, all of Abilene; 2 expectant great-nieces, Olivia Grace Zienhagen and Zoe Carrillo, along with numerous aunts, uncles, cousins, friends, and her 2 beloved dachshunds, Ranger and Rusty, and her chihuahua, Chula.

Pallbearers were A.J. Mendez, Jay Gonzales, Justin Rivera, Robert Mendez, Sal Murrilo, Jerry Morales, Bryan Gonzales, and Matt Gonzales. Honorary pallbearers were J.J. Carrillo, Thomas Chavarria, Leonard Chavarria, Michael Silba, and Michael Ziegenhagen.

Monetary donations can be made on Stephanie's behalf to your local animal shelter in honor of her love for her dogs.

Timmie Gerald Payne

ABILENE- Timmie Gerald Payne, 54, of Abilene died Thursday, April 2, 2009 at a local hospital.

Chapel services were held at 10 a.m. Saturday, April 4, 2009 at Community Memorial Funeral Home. Rev. Rickie Rister and Rev. Don Woods officiated. Burial followed at Elliott-Hamil Garden of Memories.

Timmie was born in Abilene on November 21, 1954, the son of Albert S. and Mary Lou (Lockley) Payne. He graduated from Clyde High School and was in "Who's Who"; a member of the Honor Society and an All-State Football. He also attended McMurry University and was a member of Bible Chapel. Timmie devoted his life to

taking care of his brother, Henry, even while working as an auto mechanic.

He was preceded in death by his father, Albert; two sisters, Lizlene Pena and Debra McNaron; and one brother, Henry Payne in 2008; and an aunt, Ila Mae Gabbert in 2009.

Survivors are his mother, Mary Lou Payne of Abilene; 13 girl cousins; 3 boy cousins; two nieces, Teresa Schmidt and Amanda Pena, both of Abilene; two aunts, Geraldine Fannin of Corpus Christi and Imogene Key of Abilene; one uncle, G.C. Lockley, Jr. of Fort Worth; a great niece, Jade Schmidt of Abilene; a nephew, Jason McNaron of Abilene; numerous other relatives and friends.

Dorothy Thompson Baucum

EULA- Dorothy Thompson Baucum, 66, of Eula, died Saturday, April 4, 2009, at her residence from a sudden illness.

Services were held at 2 p.m. Wednesday, April 8, 2009 at the First Evangelical Methodist Church with Rev. Jerry McNeil officiating. Burial followed at Potosi Cemetery.

Dorothy was born in Layland, West Virginia on April 2, 1943 to Paul Zein and Wealthy (Griffith) Thompson. She lived in the Abilene area most of her life and was a homemaker.

She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband of 26 years, Marvin Baucum; and a sister, Jean Boling.

Survivors are a son, David Jonas of Denton; two daughters, Melissa Verner of Abilene and Sandra Escamilla of Eula; two brothers, Paul Thompson of Garland and James Thompson of Arkansas; three sisters, Kathy Boling of Gainesville, Gail Mockaitis of Ft. Worth and Grace Jackson of West Virginia; seven grandchildren; and numerous other relatives and friends.

Johnny D. Smoot

CLYDE- Johnny D. Smoot, 52, of Clyde, died Thursday, April 2, 2009 at Hendrick Medical Center.

Service is scheduled for 2 p.m. Thursday, April 9, 2009 at Hwy 36 Church of Christ with Billy Berny officiating. Burial to follow at the Dudley Cemetery. Visitation was held Wednesday from 6-8 p.m. at Piersall Benton Funeral Home.

Johnny was born June 5, 1956 in Odessa, Texas to William "Bill" Smoot and Judy McMillan Smoot. His family moved to the Abilene area while Johnny was still young and he grew up and spent most of his life in and around Abilene. He was an outdoorsman who loved to fish and hunt. He loved watching baseball and playing his guitar for family and friends. He truly enjoyed his work as a field superintendent for Lydick Hooks.

One of his favorite jobs though was that of "Pop" to his eight grandkids. He was a member and Deacon of Hwy 36 Church of Christ for 11 years where he enjoyed worshipping with his

family and using his gifts to lead singing.

Johnny will be greatly missed by his wife, Lela Landa Smoot; four children and their families, Rusty and wife Sherilyn Smoot and their children, Zane, Natalie, Dawson Cade, and Carley, Doug and Kassi Smoot and their children, Kambri and Landri, April and Zach Hayhurst and their children, Dawson Cole and Paige, and Chris Smoot. He will also be lovingly remembered by his mother; a brother, Gary Smoot and his wife, Cheryl; and two sisters, Tammie King and husband Brian, and Alaina Vogler and her husband, Dan, along with numerous nieces and nephews, as well as a host of extended family members and close friends.

Johnny was preceded in death by his father and a brother, Tony Smoot.

Memorials can be made to the Highway 36 Church of Christ in honor of Johnny Smoot.

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Obituaries

Dale Ross

HAWLEY- Dale Ross, 74, of Hawley, died Monday, March 30, 2009 at Hendrick Hospice Care after a two month battle with small cell lung cancer.

Services were held at 2 p.m. Friday, April 3, 2009 at the Hawley Church of Christ, with Elders of the church officiating. Burial followed at Hawley Cemetery, directed by Community Memorial Funeral Home.

Mr. Ross was born on January 17, 1935 in Anson, Texas. He moved to Hawley as an employed of Joe T. Smith, and later became owner and operator of Dale Ross and Sons Propane and then Ross Wrecker Service. He was an active member of his community where he was named both Father of the Year and Citizen of the Year and served as elder at Hawley Church of Christ. The youngest of ten siblings,

Dale was preceded in death by his parents Alvie and Lucy Ross of Sweetwater; brothers, Elmore Ross of Galveston, Romie Ross of Austin, David Ross of Texas City, Max Ross of Nugent; a sister, Joe McFarlen of Sweetwater; and an infant grandson of Hawley.

Survivors are his wife, Bobbie and six children, Kathy Ross of Anna, Larry Ross and wife Penny of Hawley, Eddie Ross and wife Jenny of Hawley, Chuck Ross and wife Rinette of Oklahoma, DeWayne Ross and wife Kathryn of Anna, and Kim Pruitt and husband Mark of Arkansas; 19 grandchildren, including Dianne Cheek of Clyde; 11 great-grandchildren; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Toni Black

ABILENE- Toni Black, 77, died Sunday, April 5, 2009 at a local medical center.

Funeral services were held at 2 p.m. Wednesday, April 8, 2009 at Elliott-Hamil Funeral Chapel of Memories. Burial followed in Elliott-Hamil Garden of Faith.

Toni was born June 13, 1931 in Ferraro, Italy. She was the daughter of Antonio and Deanella (Gollini) Filomelli. After coming to the U.S. in 1965, she married her husband, Ellis Leon Black, Sr. on November 13, 1967 in Corsicana and had

lived in Mexia, TX, before moving to the Abilene area in 2000. Toni was a loving wife who liked to knit and crochet. She had traveled the world before moving to the United States.

She was preceded in death by her parents; seven brothers and three sisters.

Survivors are her husband, Ellis Leon Black, Sr.; two stepsons, Ellis Leon Black, Jr. of Abilene and William Black of Clyde; a sister, Franka Tilomelli; and numerous nieces and nephews, all residing in Italy.

Geenita K. Sturdivant

BAIRD- Geenita K. Sturdivant, 61, of Baird, died Monday, March 30, 2009 at an Abilene hospital.

Memorial services were held at 2 p.m. Friday, April 3, 2009 at the Bailey Funeral Home chapel, Dr. Toby Henson and David Wertz officiated.

Mrs. Sturdivant was born August 19, 1947, in Brownfield, Texas to Harry E. and Faye (Bishop) Robbins. She was a graduate of Hernleigh High School and attended Hardin-Simmons University. She married Morris Sturdivant on September 30, 1966 in Lubbock. They moved to Baird from The Woodlands in 1997. She was a healthcare consultant, and she and her husband owned Medical Revenue Service. She was a member of the Baptist church.

Survivors are her husband, Morris Sturdivant of Baird; one son, Morris Sturdivant, II, and wife Laura of San Diego, CA.; one daughter, Sheree Onumodu and husband Bill of Dallas; two brothers, Bill Robbins and wife Darlene of Snyder and Ted Robbins and wife Diane of Lubbock; three grandchildren, Taryn Barron of Virginia Beach, VA, Sean Alan Sturdivant of San Diego, CA and Ian Scott Sturdivant, also of San Diego.

She was preceded in death by her parents and one brother, Harold Robbins of Snyder.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the American Cancer Society 209 S. Danville, Ste. B-107, Abilene, Texas 79605 in memory of Mrs. Sturdivant.

Mabry Tatom, Jr.

ABILENE- Mabry Tatom, Jr., 82, of Abilene, Texas, died Tuesday, March 31, 2009 in an Abilene hospital.

Services with military honors was held at 2 p.m. Friday, April 3, 2009 at Ross Cemetery Pavilion, Baird with Frank Owen officiating. Burial followed in the Ross Cemetery annex. Services directed by Parker Funeral Home of Baird.

Mr. Tatom was born August 29, 1926, in the Atwell Community in Callahan County to Mabry and Marie Payne Tatom. He graduated from Putnam High School and served in the U.S.

Navy and World War II. Mabry married Gemetha Gilliam on January 1, 1947 in Abilene. He worked in the field of electronics many years. He had been the Program Chairman of the Electronics Department of Texas State Technical Institute in Sweetwater for 17 years, retiring in 1985. He was a charter member of the Southwest Park Baptist Church in Abilene, where he had lived for the past 45 years.

He was preceded in death by his parents; one brother and one sister.

Survivors are his wife, Gemetha Tatom of Abilene; two sons, Ken Tatom of Eagle, Idaho; one daughter, Patricia Tatom of Abilene; one brother, Lynn Tatom of Logansville, Georgia; sister-in-law, Rosa Tatom of Albany; and two grandsons, Brad and David Pevehouse.

The family requests memorials to Hendrick Hospice.

Rosa Dell Gervais

CLYDE- Rosa Dell Gervais, 86, of Clyde, died Wednesday, April 1, 2009 at a local care center.

Services were held at 10:30 a.m. Saturday, April 4, 2009 at the Bailey Funeral Home Chapel. Burial followed in the China Creek Cemetery near San Saba at 4 p.m.

Mrs. Gervais was born September 11, 1922 in Mills County, Texas to Joseph and Mary Ann (Hunt) Casbeer. She graduated from Star High School and received her nursing degree from Cisco Junior College. She married William Scott Roach on April 6, 1946 in Parker's Landing, PA. She moved to Baird from Austin in 1997. She worked as an LVN at Hendrick Medical Center, then at Canterbury Villa Nursing Center in Baird.

She was a member of the Catholic church.

She was preceded in death by her parents; one brother, Tot Casbeer of Goldthwaite and two sisters, Bertha Holland of San Saba and Mattie Renfro of Goldthwaite.

Survivors include three sons, Michael Roach and wife Cathy of Abilene, Joe Roach and wife Cathy of Abilene, and Dennis Roach of Austin; two daughters, Pat Taylor and husband Donnie of Clyde, and Anita Owings and husband, Don of Eunice, NM; one sister, Marie Shelton of Longview; daughter-in-law, Brenda Roach Pisana of Kyle; 15 grandchildren, 23 great-grandchildren, and 7 great-great-grandchildren.

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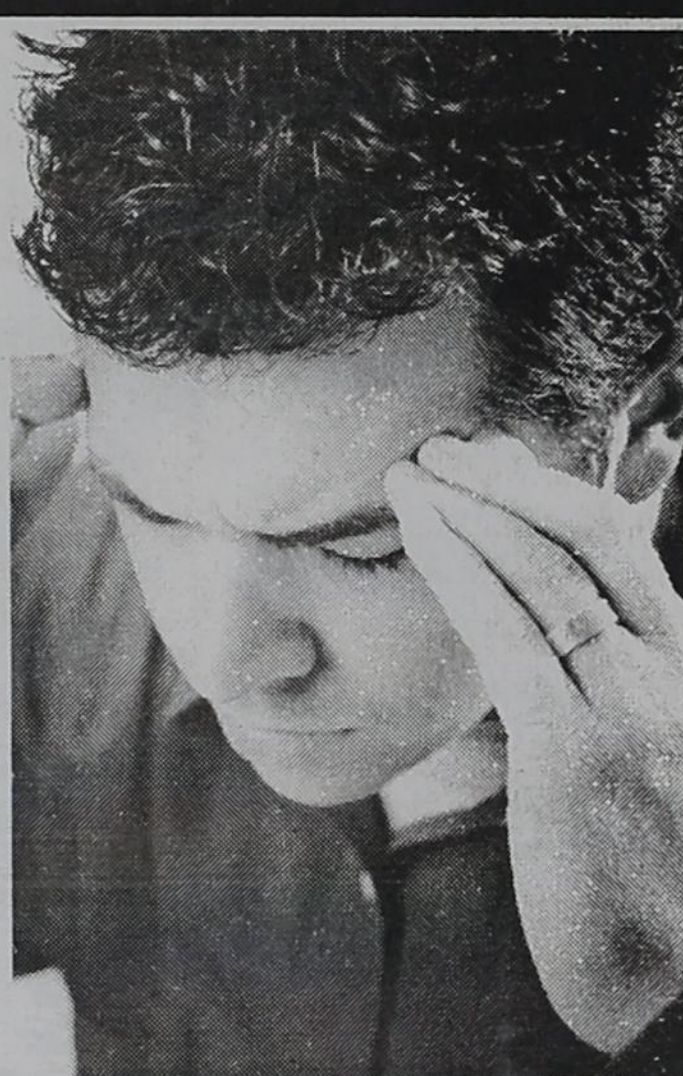
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91 Acres - Eastland Co- mostly wooded with oak trees, large hills, creek, deer, turkey, hogs, dove, quail \$198,000

114 Acres - Eastland Co- mostly wooded with mature oak trees, several smaller fields, hill down to creek bottom, water well, pond, paved road frontage, wildlife includes deer, turkey, hogs, dove, duck, quail, \$250,000

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208 Acres - Eastland Co- wooded & open, oak & mesquite trees, two ponds, food plots, county road frontage, wildlife includes deer, turkey, dove, duck, & quail, \$1,870 per acre

241 Acres - wooded with very large hills, post oak, live oak, 2 creeks, 2 ponds, paved road frontage, views & loaded with wildlife \$524,000

344 Acres on Leon River - Eastland Co- mostly wooded with a large portion of big pecan tree bottoms, live oak & post oak trees too, several very large hills with great views, 4 different creeks & the Leon River runs through the property, 1 lake, 3 ponds, various wetland areas, lots of water, barn, water well, good fishing & lots of wildlife including deer, turkey, hogs, dove, duck, quail, \$2,500 per acre

445 Acres High Fence on Leon River, 200+ genetics, nice 3 BR 2 bath home, garage, large shop, 5-years under high fence deer management, exotics, large hills & canyons, mostly wooded with live oak & post oak, creek, 1 lake, 7 ponds, food plots, protein feeders, stands, corn feeders, observatory tower, Eastland Co. \$1,595,000

640 Acres - Callahan Co- completely wooded with several very large hill ridges & canyons with views for miles, 7 ponds with several being very large, mostly live oak & mesquite, creeks, 140 feet of elevation change, good road frontage, close to Eastland Co. line, wildlife includes deer, turkey, hogs, dove, duck, & quail \$2,100 per acre

HOMES

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Great View of Lake and Golf Course from balcony, 3 BR, 2 bath home with 2 family rooms, central air and heat, WBFP, covered balcony, drive thru 2 vehicle carport, storage bldgs, patio, many large oak trees, on approx. 1/2 acre

15.75 Acres with large 2 BR, 1 3/4 bath home, CH/A eating bar between kitchen and LR, sunroom and deck off kitchen, large gameroom could be used for 3rd BR, patio, double carport, large storage bldg., large shop. Home built around 1999 with metal beam framing.

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Softball Scores

Tuesday, April 7
Clyde 2, Cisco 1
Eula 18, Gordon 0 (5)

Baseball Scores

Clyde 12, Cisco 5
Albany 9, Eula 7

Baseball Scores

Clyde 11, Merkel 8
Eula 24, Gordon 9
Eula 10, Gordon 0

Softball Scores

Eula 9, Cross Plains 0
Baird 19, Ranger 2

Baird Track Schedule

4-9 Roscoe (District 13-A)
4-16 Abilene McMurry (Area)
4-24 Regional Qualifiers
5-1 & 2 Abilene ACU (Regional)
5-15 & 16 Austin (State)

Golf Results

Tuesday, April 7 held at Tip Cup Country Club in Merkel. Baird girls won 1st.

Girls

Mitzi McDowell shot 87 to lead Baird girls which shot a total of 382.

1. Baird 382
Medalists: 1. Mitzi McDowell, Baird, 87; 2. (tie) Alex Neal, Baird, 88; 5. Michelle Robbins, Baird, 95; 8. Ivy Byram, Baird 112

Boys

Team standings: 4. (tie) Baird & Hamlin 366
Medalists: 8. (tie) Bradley Neal, Baird, 85

Baird Lady Bears

Softball Schedule
4-10 Albany (District) 5 p.m.
4-14 Bye
4-17 at Eula 4:30 p.m.
4-21 DeLeon (District) 5 p.m.
4-24 at Cross Plains 5 p.m.

Track Meet Results

High School Track
Track meet held in Eastland Saturday, April 4th:
Maverick Relays

Girls

Team totals: 8th Baird with 18
100 Hurdles: 5. Neal, Baird, 18.73
Long Jump: 4. Mitchell, Baird 15-8
Shot Put: 2. Burns, Baird 32-5
Discus: 4. Burns, Baird 97-10

Boys

Team totals: 6th Baird with 50
100: 5. Whitworth, C., Baird 11.58
200: 5. Smith, C., Baird 24.27
400 Relay: 2. Baird, 44.90
800 Relay: 3. Baird, 1:34.26
100 Hurdles: 5. Neal, Baird 18.73
110 Hurdles: 2. Russell, W. Baird 15.65
Long Jump: 4. Mitchell, Baird 15-8
Triple Jump: 5. Diaz, J., Baird 39
High Jump: 2. Whitworth, C., Baird 5-10
Shot Put: 2. Burns, Baird,

32-2.5

Discus: 4. Burns, Baird. 97-10.5

Merkel Track Meet

Boys
Triple jump: 3. Martinez, Clyde, 42-1 1/4
Long jump: 5. Martinez, Clyde, 20-3
High jump: 5 T. Lyles, Clyde, 5-8
100: 5. Grissom, Clyde, 11.71
200: 2. Graham, Clyde, 23.33
400 relay: 4. Clyde, 44.69
800 relay: 2. Clyde, 1:33.21
1600 relay: 3. Clyde, 3:38.72
Fat man relay: 1. Clyde, 53.45

Girls

Triple jump: 5 T. Astleford, Clyde, 32-9 1/2
High jump: 2. Withrow, Clyde, 5-4; 6 T. Astleford, Clyde, 4-10
400 relay: 3. Clyde, 50.57
800 relay: 2. Clyde, 1:48
1600 relay: 4. Clyde, 4:25.5
300 hurdles: 5. Ramos, Clyde, 51.67

Clyde Lady Bulldog 2009

Softball Schedule

4-9 Anson in Clyde Varsity & JV 4:30 & 6:00 p.m.
4-17 Eastland in Eastland JV & Varsity 5:00 & 7:00 p.m.
4-21 Merkel in Merkel Varsity & JV 4:00 & 5:30 p.m.
4-24 Cisco in Clyde Varsity & JV 4:30 & 6:00 p.m.

High School Track Results

Girls
400 Relay
Clyde 7th 51.43
High Jump
5-2 Amy Withow, Clyde
5-0 Santana Astleford, Clyde
Boys
800 Relay
1:33.99 Clyde 7th

Golf Results

Callahan County Golf Classic played Wednesday, April 1st at Shady Oaks Golf Club in Baird.

Boys

Team Standings: Clyde shot 356, 2nd place
Top Individual: Cameron Mize of Clyde shot 85 for 2nd

Over all: Clyde- Cameron Mize 85; Zack Hines 87; Jacob Gonzales 91; Lyle Neel 93; Justin Riley 98

Individual Medalists:
Weston Laws of Clyde with 96; Clay Doss of Clyde with 103; Marshall Dilno of Clyde with 103

Girls

Team Standings: Clyde was 2nd with 438

Top Individuals: 5 t. Brook Harris of Clyde 106; 5 t. Tiffany Burleson, Clyde, 106

Over all: Clyde- Brooke Harris 106; Megan Gilbreath 108; Bethany Harris 109; Carae Hilcher 115; Season Davison 120

Individual Medalists:
Tiffany Burleson, Clyde, 106

Callahan County Fire Tuesday

Tuesday there was a big brush fire that started at Farm Road 603 southwest of Clyde it was reported. The fire burned 200 acres and destroyed two mobile homes at the House of Yahweh compound near Eula. More homes were threatened in the path of the fire. Residents were evacuated but some stayed to see the fate of their homes.

Several local volunteer fire departments and the forest service helped to fight the fire that was contained around 7:15 p.m. Tuesday evening. The fire departments involved were Eula, Baird, Clyde, Putnam, Hamby, Potosi and Abilene. Also it was reported that two planes and two heavy helicopters helped to fight the fire.

Sudoku Answer

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7	6	4	9	5	8	1	2	3
3	9	1	7	6	2	4	8	5
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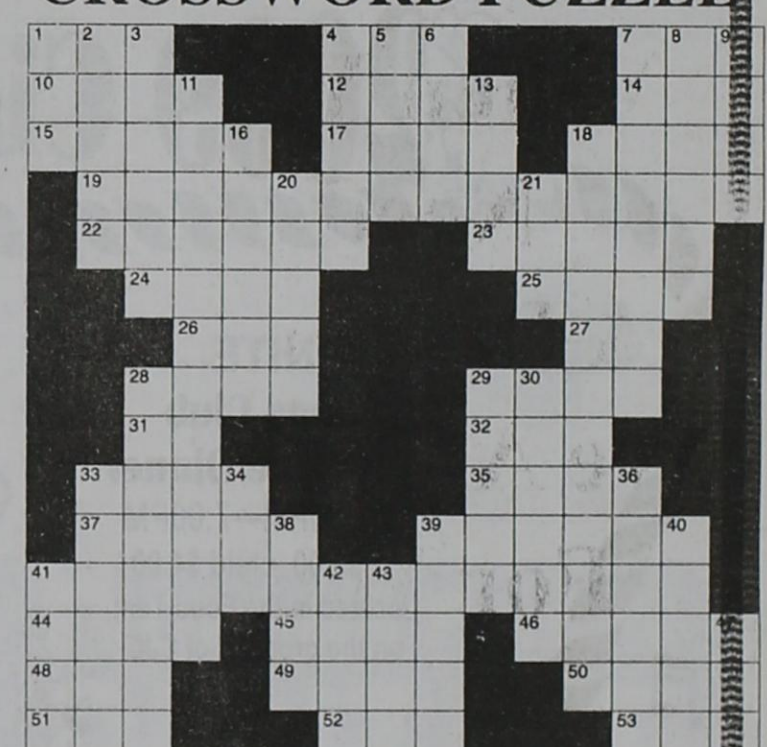
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- CLUES ACROSS**
- Digested
 - Fixed on a purpose
 - European money
 - Bruce Springstein
 - Geological times
 - Red ____, baseball team
 - Titan
 - Irish Republic
 - NYC art district
 - Portable PC
 - Velocities
 - B ____; pager
 - Sea eagle
 - Dried up vegetation
 - Parking area
 - Rhode Island
 - Mama ____, rock singer
 - Element #30
 - Indicates position
 - Coach Parseghian
 - Vegas actor R. ____h
 - Pimples
 - Stars
 - Catholic order
 - Talk show hostess
 - J.A. ____, journalist 1849-1914
 - Dices
 - Procumbant juniper
 - Hostelry
 - Macaws
 - Singer Horne
- CLUES DOWN**
- Nightline network
 - Carpenter's instruments
 - Get free
 - Ozoes
 - Musician Clapton
 - Poi ingredient
 - Confined to an inner circle
 - Cling
 - Wife (Latin)
 - Expressions of praise
 - ____ster; school term
 - Transcription poolers
 - Pretermatural
 - "Waiting for Lefty" playwri
 - Foot (Latin)
 - Holiday singing
 - Zen Buddhist meditation
 - Eye membranes
 - Remove connection
 - Common food container
 - Strained for lumps
 - Vt. ch ____r cheese
 - ____ James, outlaw
 - Banteng ox
 - A great lake
 - A genus of mustelidae
 - Sports equipment
 - Snatch or seize

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Teacher Spotlight

Beth Elkins Green

Baird, Texas— This week's teacher spotlight is on Mrs. Beth Elkins Green. She is the Baird High School Chemistry, Physics, and IPC teacher.

Mrs. Green was born on February 7, 1967 in Baton Rouge, Louisiana. She went to high school at Baton Rouge Magnet High School and graduated in 1985. She attended college at Louisiana Tech University in Ruston, Louisiana for B.S. Zoology and graduated summa cum laude in 1989, then attended Louisiana State University in Baton Rouge, M.S. Veterinary Entomology and graduated in 1991. Mrs. Green worked as a laboratory manager in university research laboratories until May of 1995, then was an at home medical transcriptionist for 13 years before teaching at Baird.

Mrs. Green is married to Don Green, who is the director of the Abilene Regional Airport. They have two kids, Stephen, who is in the 8th grade and 14 years old, and Katie, who is in the 5th grade and 11 years old. The story of how her and her husband got together is quiet funny, she said, "I met my husband in college. I am actually about 15 months older than my husband, and I was a little sister of his fraternity when he pledged. I was his pledge mom. I was one of three little sisters who did not have a boyfriend in the fraternity, but the active members made sure we had dates to all of the football games and parties. Homecoming was coming soon, and a couple of actives asked who I wanted to go with. I thought Don was a nice guy, and they set it up! He always says he was forced to ask me out because pledges need to do what actives tell him

to, but I always counter that he didn't have to ask me out again! That was 21 years ago. We celebrated our 18th wedding anniversary this past December." Mrs. Green loves to spend time with her family and to cook, read, and also cross stitch but she hasn't had much time for that since her kids were born! Her favorite drink is diet coke and her favorite color is purple. Good Eats on the food network is her favorite show. Mrs. Green is also very organized and her favorite singer is Keith Urban (she has good taste!).

Mrs. Green's parents are Ted Elkins (d. 1999) and Katie Elkins. Her father worked at a chemical plant south of Baton Rouge on the Mississippi River until he retired when she was in college with a disability retirement due to illness caused by the chemicals he had worked with at the plant. Her mother worked as an English teacher and school librarian until Green was born and then stayed home with her and her sister. She lives retired in Baton Rouge where she has a wonderful group of friends and enjoys traveling! Mrs. Green is an extraordinary teacher. She works very hard to help the kids understand. Mrs. Green said, "I have always loved science. I began working at home as a medical transcriptionist because it allowed me to stay home with my children. However, as my children have gotten older, I have found that I don't need to be home every minute. I began to think about teaching about two years ago. After a lot of thought and prayer, I decided to take that leap. I have been a part of the alternative certification program at the Region 14 Education Service Center since January, 2008. Teaching allows me to get back to science, my first love, and allows me to be home when my children are home as well. I have found that I

absolutely love being in the classroom! It is a challenge to find interesting ways to present the material and keep my students engaged and enthusiastic about learning. I have enjoyed this challenge and have really enjoyed interacting with my students. I have felt very welcome here at Baird and look forward to teaching future Bears in the years to come!" Thanks Mrs. Green!

Written by Rainy Burks, BHS Journalism Class

Blood Drive Aims To Boost Blood Supply

The Meek Blood Center Bloodmobile will be at First Baptist Church in Cross Plains on Tuesday, April 14 from noon until 6:00 p.m.

There has been a critical blood shortage since December, according to information provided by Meek Blood Center, with less than a one-day supply in inventory on most days. Meek Blood Center ships an average

of sixty pints of blood each day used for patient care in fifteen area hospitals. There is no artificial substitute for human blood. Many different types of patients benefit from blood transfusions, including cancer patients, surgical patients, accident or trauma victims, newborn babies, and those with chronic blood diseases.

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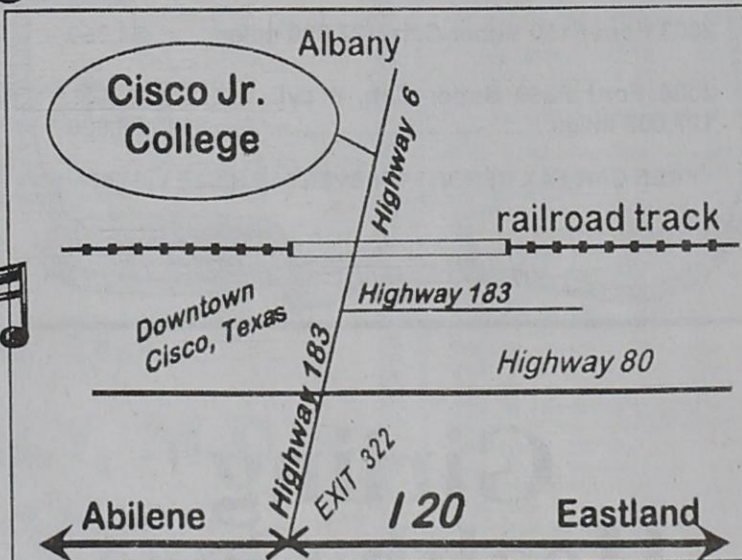
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Planners Abigail Wellborn, Krystal Maestas, Lili Muorigkhot, Chelsea Baker, and Dorm Director Rachael Tomko students at sign-up table

Stealthy Night Adventures Planned By Students A Game of Capture the Flag Draws About a Hundred For Music and Pizza

Armed with face paint military style, a head lamp, and fatigues, Hardin-Simmons University sophomore Nick Dickerson knows the stealth involved in a successful game of Capture the Flag. The event was planned for the balmy spring night by the R.A. staff students at Behrens Hall, one of the freshman girls' dorms. R.A. Abigail Wellborn, a declared Elementary Education sophomore, says it took a lot of planning to publicize and pull together such a big event, "...especially not being sure how many students would show up."

Imagine over a hundred participants gathered around the reflection pond near the base of the bridge about an hour before sunset. The smell of pizza drifts in the air as dozens and dozens of pizza boxes expose a smorgasbord of flavors. Speakers blast awesomely cool music that can be heard from Hunter Hall, Moody Student Center, and at least half a dozen other buildings surrounding the green space in the heart of the campus.

Dickenson, who is a math major, and hoping to

coach one day, and buddy Brendan Boyd, a ministry major, say this is the first Capture the Flag event they can remember. So...they came to make the most of the evening dressed in

"camo." The friendly, funny pair took a moment to pose in the pond pampas grass for the camera before the games started.

Students chose their team by signing poster boards labeled with team colors as they arrived. Wellborn explained that each of the teams would have a base filled with flags that other teams would attempt to steal and take back to their own base.

The event is one of many events planned across the campus over the semester. Student Activities Coordinator, Lindsey Snodgrass, whose dramatic office is filled with Japanese style lanterns, says she did not plan the Capture the Flag night, but gave some examples of the games and events that have occurred or still will occur this semester.

According to the list, Movie Makers kicked off the season of events in February, followed by Knock-Out Knight, and events that included Smores, game shows, volleyballs, sardines (opposite of Hide and Seek), bands, and black lights, just to name a few.

The semester of events will end with May Day and Melon Madness. You can probably get a mental picture of that zany night coming up, when else, but May 1st.

McMurry University Offers FasTrack To Teaching Program

ABILENE, Texas - In order to meet the growing teacher shortage in the state and to place highly qualified teachers in needed subject areas, McMurry University is now accepting applications for its FasTrack to Teaching program.

Application for McMurry University's FasTrack to Teaching program is now open for the Summer 2009 semester. The FasTrack is a post-

baccalaureate teacher preparation program designed for adults who have four year university degrees and wish to change careers and become teachers. Courses are offered face-to-face, during the day or evening, and online.

Interested individuals may contact the McMurry University School of Education at 325-793-4890 for more information.

ACU Journalism Students Earn Top Honors At Area Conference

Three students from Abilene Christian University's Department of Journalism and Mass Communication returned from the Society of Professional Journalists Region 8 Conference in Fort Worth, Texas with Mark of Excellence Awards.

"The Mark of Excellence awards are among the most prestigious awards given to journalism students," said Dr. Cheryl Bacon, chair of the JMC Department. "This recognition speaks clearly of the caliber of students we have in the JMC program."

Michael Freeman, a senior from Houston, won third place in Breaking News writing. In Feature Writing, senior Kelline Linton from Spring, Texas, won first, while Colter Hettich, a junior from Abilene, took third.

As the first place winner, Linton will go on to compete in the SPJ national Mark of Excellence competition, where her entry will be judged against those of the winners from the other 11 geographic regions of SPJ. This is the third year in a row the ACU JMC program has had one or more students qualify for the national Mark of Excellence competition.

"I was particularly pleased to have ACU students receive two of the only three awards given in the Feature Writing category, one of which will be one of only 12 considered for national honors," said Bacon.

The Mark of Excellence awards program honors the

outstanding work of student journalists. ACU students compete in SPJ Region 8, which includes professional journalists and university journalists from Texas and Oklahoma.

McMurry Univ. Professor, Two Students Honored At National Alpha Chi Convention

ABILENE, Texas - Retired McMurry University Professor of History, Dr. Robert Sledge, is known at McMurry as "Distinguished Professor of History Emeritus." At the 2009 National Convention of Alpha Chi in Indianapolis, Indiana (April 2-4), he was recognized by over 400 delegates as "Alpha Chi Alumnus of the Year."

At the same event, two McMurry students won recognition for excellence in their fields. Erin Bodford received a \$200 scholarship award for her paper, "Deo Vindice: The Continuity of Religious Ideology in the South," and Lindsey Gallegos received a \$200 scholarship award for her soprano presentation, "Postmodern Performance Practice: A 21st Century Performance of a 19th Century Aria."

Crossword Answers

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Donna Bell
Officer

AVISO PUBLICO DE PROBAR EL EQUIPO PARA TABULAR AUTOMATICAMENTE

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Donna Bell
Oficial (4-9-09)



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Thursday, April 9
Breakfast: Toast and Cereal, Choice of Juice, Choice of Milk
Lunch: Hot Pockets, Broccoli & Cheese, Corn, Fresh Fruit

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Lunch: Chicken nuggets, catfish strips, sliced turkey & gravy, mashed potatoes, rolls, black-eyed peas, orange, milk

Friday, April 10
Breakfast: Cereal & toast, or biscuit, sausage, gravy or sausage in a blanket, fruit juice, milk
Lunch: Cheeseburger, fish sandwich, grilled chicken salad, baked beans, carrot & celery sticks, salad, Blue Bell ice cream, milk

Monday, April 13
Breakfast: Cereal & toast or biscuit, sausage, gravy or cheese omelet & toast, fruit juice, milk
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Intermediate & Elementary Lunch: Cheesepizza, corndog, spaghetti & meatballs, salad, California veggies, fruit, chocolate chip cookie, milk

Tuesday, April 14
Breakfast: Cereal & toast or breakfast burrito, breakfast sausage pizza, fruit juice, milk
Lunch: Catfish strips, ham & cheese salad, steak fingers, mashed potatoes, rolls, green beans, fruit, milk

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