

Bears Win 35-0 Over Cross Plains Buffaloes
Baird Team remains undefeated 6-0 overall,
2-0 in District 14 A *Please see Sports Page...*



Helen Kleburg is pictured above with Red Steagall, Cowboy Poet, Singer and Awards moderator.



Pictured above are Harold Hass (top L), Traci Windham and Jeremy Sims (top R) and Janice Grant (bottom L) who were all honored at the Baird Chamber Banquet on Monday.

"Celebrate America" were Baird Kindergarten, directed by Mary Jo Gerngross and Julie Tollett. Darla Smedley was on Keyboard. A Silent Auction was also held. Entertainment for the evening was provided by the Chamber Board, and prepared by Rick and Missy Oliver. Mistress of Ceremonies for the evening was Susan [unclear].

The Farm Bureau Annual Meeting Is Tuesday, Oct. 14, 2003. The meeting starts at 7:00 p.m. at the Baird School Cafeteria in Baird. For information call 325-854-1044.

Chamber Honors Outstanding Citizens

Outstanding community citizens were given special recognition at the annual Baird Chamber of Commerce banquet on October 6, 2003. Harold Hass was honored with the Howard Farmer Outstanding Citizen award, Janice Grant with the Volunteer of the Year Award, and Traci Windham and Jeremy Sims both with the Student Achievement Award. Tommie Jones was also recognized for her untiring work for the Chamber of Commerce. The Awards Committee - Nicki Harle, Belinda Davis, Diane Bell, described Awardee Harold Hass as an "exemplary citizen of the community as a volunteer and public servant." Mr. Hass has been an Elder in the Presbyterian Church, a Past Master of the Masonic Lodge, a member of the Waco Scottish Rite, a member of the Ambulance Board for EMS. He also serves as Treasurer of the Baird Foundation, and is serving his 3rd term on the Baird City Council. He served as Mayor Pro Tem during one of his terms. Harold Hass has also been an active contributor and fund-raising volunteer for the Baird Volunteer Fire Department and has helped deliver meals for the Meals On Wheels Program.

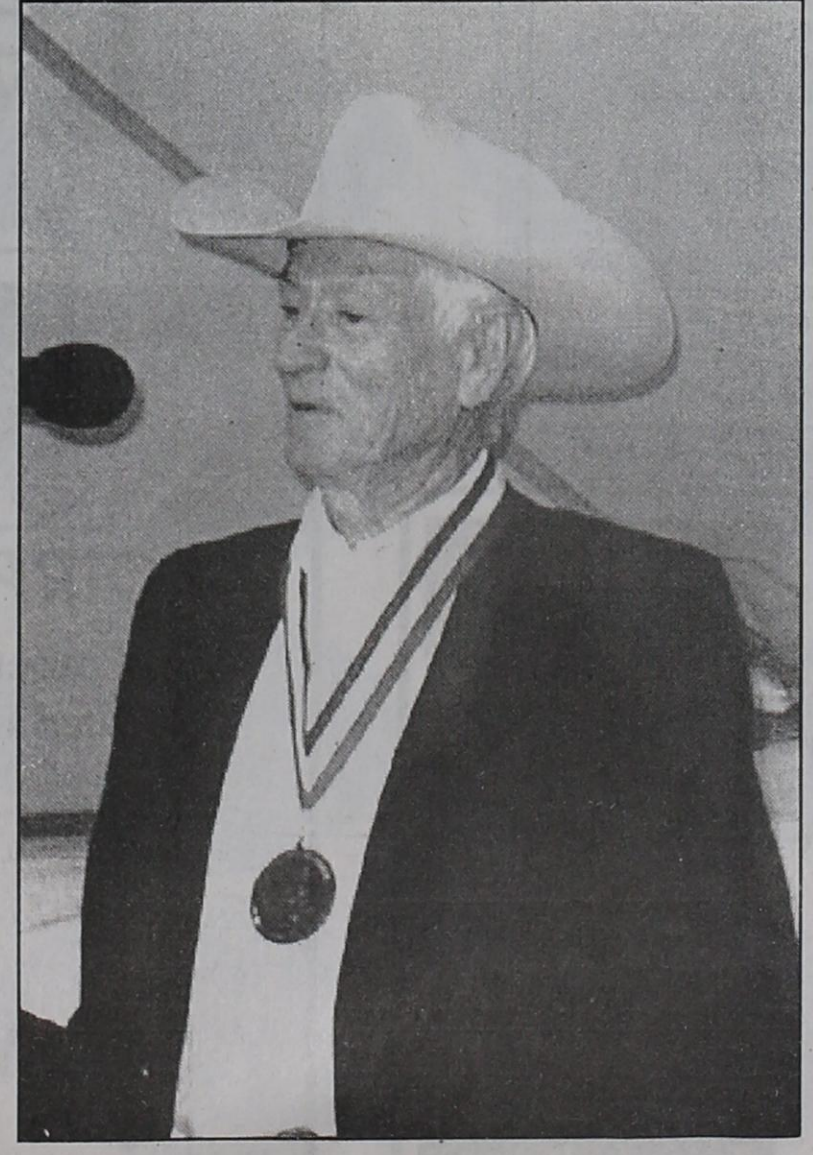
He has resided in Baird for 52 years, and has been married to his wife Rosa, a Baird Native, since 1948. Tracy Windham and Jeremy Sims were recognized for their all-around academic achievement at Baird High School. Tracy is a FCA and Beta Club member, a member of the Student Council, and a Bear Cheerleader. She has excelled in basketball, and particularly in Track and Cross Country, in which she holds two State titles in Class A. Jeremy Sims is a member of the Headlight Staff, he plays on the basketball, football, and baseball team, and is active in track. He has received post season honors in these fields, and he is a 3 time State qualifier in track. Jeremy is also a member of the Radio Team and FFA. Janice Grant was honored as Volunteer of the Year for her many hours of volunteer work in school, community, and chamber functions. Described as a self-motivated person, she is particularly involved the Chamber's Baird Christmas Lighting project, among many other community programs. Guests of the Banquet, which carried the theme of

Callahan County Ranchers Receive Awards

James Franklin Dyer, II and Helen Kleberg Groves, from Callahan County, were each awarded a 2003 Foy Proctor Memorial Cowman's Award of Honor by J. Evetts Haley, Jr. of the Haley Museum and Library in Midland September 25. The awards ceremony was moderated by cowboy poet and singer Red Steagall. James Dyer, II, was born in Baird in 1929, the third generation of ranchers in Texas. James went to school in Baird and grew up on his family's Hubbard Creek Ranch in Callahan County. He started the Dyer Land and Cattle Co. in Baird and ran 1500 head of mother cows in

Shackleford and Callahan Counties with partner Gene Newman. After a couple of years in Colorado he leased 50,000 acres in Jeff Davis County. Today he operates a ranch of about 120 sections in Jeff Davis County, but with his family runs cattle on ranches in Hudspeth, Culbertson, Reeves, Presidio, and Brewster Counties. Helen Kleberg Groves was born on the King Ranch, in the saddle by age 4 and started helping with roundups on the King Ranch by the age of 10, where she first learned to "cut cattle". She even remembers riding penned calves bareback. When it came time for high school, she went to school in Virginia where she took up English riding and fox hunting. After high school, she tried Vassar for a couple of years when she decided that wasn't the best way to spend her parent's money. She married Dr. Deaver Alexander, the father of her six children and after living in Kingsville, the King Ranch and England, they settled on King Ranch property in Pennsylvania. After divorcing Dr. Alexander, she married Lloyd Groves. In 1968 they moved to her ranch in the Shenandoah Valley of Virginia where she developed a cattle and horse operation.

Lloyd died in 1971. Helen became famous for her cutting horses and won a number of awards in that field. In 1990 she decided to move back to Texas and dispatched her foreman, Ken Welch to find a ranch in Texas. Aided by his father, Buster Welch, a former Proctor Award winner in 2000, who nominated Helen for the award, Ken located 20,000 acres in Callahan and Coleman counties and Groves moved her cattle and horses to the Silverbrook Ranch south of Baird and southwest of Cross Plains. Buster Welch from Rotan, who had worked on the King Ranch for a number of years, calls the Silverbrook Ranch "the best ranch in Texas".

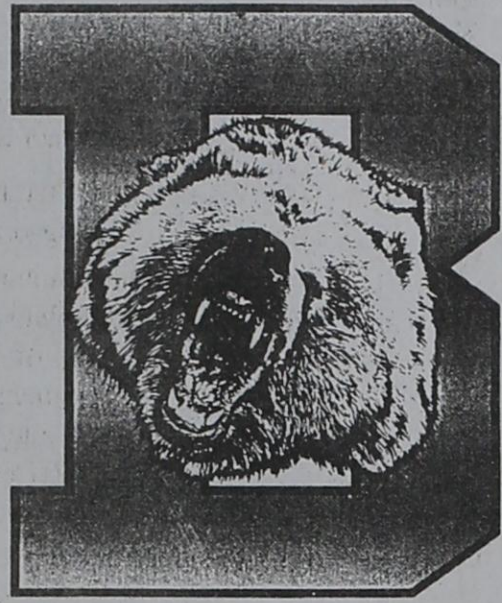


James Franklin Dyer, II

An Immunization Clinic will be held in Callahan County on Monday, October 13 at the Baird Cafetorium, 400 West 7th, 10-12, Cross Plains, Housing Authority, 233 N. Main, 2-4. Please bring child's immunization records. For more information call 325-754-4945.

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GOOD COUNTRY FOOTBALL '03



BAIRD BEARS

Hosts May
7:30 PM Kickoff

Friday Night's Games
 Friday, Oct. 10
 Eastland hosts Cisco
 Ranger at Tolar
 Baird hosts May
 Saturday, Oct. 11
 RC hosts Georgia Mictam

Bears Dash Buffaloes; Baird Team Remains Undefeated

Friday night's Big Country Football saw two Callahan County teams - the Baird Bears and the Cross Plains Buffaloes - pitted against each other.

In a game dominated by Bears in every aspect, an end score of 35-0 in favor of the Bears left the team undefeated this season.

The Bears stand 6-0 overall and 2-0 in District 14A games. Cross Plains dropped to 2-4 overall. Baird's Will Ross, Blake Mendez, and Zach Green all booked scores for the Bears.

Ross and Mendez both scored twice - Ross with TD runs of 4 and 8-yards; Mendez with a 33-yard run, and on a pass from QB/LB Josh Sims (19-yard).

The Bears turned on the pressure in the first quarter of the game, and continued their strong team push for victory until the last score in the fourth quarter.

All five PATs were kicked by Chandler Nolen. The Bears host the May Tigers Friday, Oct. 10 in Baird. The game starts at 7:30 p.m. This will be their 3rd District 14 A game.

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Cross Plains 0 0 0 0 - 0

First Quarter

Baird - Will Ross 8 run (Chandler Nolan kick), 6:10

Second Quarter

Baird - Ross 4 run (Nolan kick), 6:22
 Baird - Blake Mendez 19 pass from Josh Sims (Nolan kick), 0:19

Third Quarter

Baird - Zach Green 80 run (Nolan kick), 6:16

Fourth Quarter

Baird - Mendez 33 run (Nolan kick), 7:02

Week 6 Area Football Results

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Trail on Saturday, October 11th. They will gather at 11:00. They would like to see you there!

11th Court of Appeals

Proceedings (En Banc) Eastland, Texas October 2, 2003

Affirmed
Deven Ray Ingram v. State of Texas, Taylor. (Opinion by Justice Wright) (Publish) (Panel consists of: Chief Justice Arnot, Justice Wright, and Justice McCall).

Manuel Jessie Mendez v. State of Texas, Palo Pinto. (Opinion by Justice McCall) (Panel consists of: Chief Justice Arnot, Justice Wright, and Justice McCall).

In re Estate of E.E. Patterson, Deceased, Taylor. (Memorandum Opinion by Justice McCall) (Panel consists of: Chief Justice Arnot, Justice Wright, and Justice McCall).

Daniel Montes, Jr. d/b/a Contract Builders v. Annie Laura Scott, Dallas. (Per Curiam Memorandum Opinion) (Panel consists of: Chief Justice Arnot, Justice Wright, and Justice McCall).

Appeals Dismissed
Robert A. Magoon v. Ampro Lopez et al, Brazoria. (Per Curiam Memorandum Opinion) (Panel consists of: Chief Justice Arnot, Justice Wright, and Justice McCall).

Peter H. Eggert v. Associates Housing Finance, LLC., Erath. (Per Curiam Memorandum Opinion) (Panel consists of: Chief Justice Arnot, Justice Wright, and Justice McCall).

Motion Submitted & Granted; Appeal Dismissed
Acme Paving, Inc. v. Texas Builders and Contractors, Inc., Harris. Joint motion to dismiss appeal. (Per Curiam Memorandum Opinion) (Panel consists of: Chief Justice Arnot, Justice Wright, and Justice McCall).

Order Denying Appellant's Motion for Reconsideration
Oscar M. Telfair, III, P.C. v. Merita Bridges and Marvin Bridges, Harris. (Per Curiam Order) (Panel consists of: Chief Justice Arnot, Justice Wright, and Justice McCall).

Motions Submitted & Granted
Horatio Sprague Taveau, D.O. v. Angela M. Brenden, Individually and as Representative of the Estate of Linda Gayle Evans, Deceased, Gayle S. Maxwell, and Curtis Kirkpatrick, Taylor. Appellant's supplemental motion for leave to supplement the record.

Zachary Tyler Smith v. State of Texas, Erath. Appellant's motion for leave to file supplemental brief.

Leroy Phillip Mitchell v. Nations Credit Financial Services Corp., Dallas. Appellant's second motion

for extension of time to file brief.

Derrick Polly v. State of Texas, Dawson. State's motion for extension of time to file brief.

Leon's Fine Foods of Texas, Inc., Leons Fine Foods, Inc., and Leons Fine Foods, Inc. d/b/a Leon's Texas Cuisine v. Merit Investment Partners, L.P., Dallas. Appellant's motion for extension of time to file brief.

Kerry Jon Aitchison a/k/a Kerry Jon Atkinson a/k/a Kerry Atchison v. State of Texas, Taylor. Appellant's motion for extension of time to file brief.

Oscar M. Telfair, III, P.C. v. Merita Bridges and Marvin Bridges, Harris. Appellant's motion for extension of time to file reporter's record.

City of Houston and Susan McMillian, in her individual capacity v. Juanita Fletcher,

Harris. Appellants' motion to withdraw and substitute counsel.

Jermaine Marquette Ellis v. State of Texas, Harris. Appellant's motion to substitute as attorney.

Motion Submitted & Granted in Part

Jason Don Wimberley v. State of Texas, Stephens. State's motion for extension of time to file brief.

Motions Submitted & Overruled

David B. Smith v. J-Hite, Inc., Taylor. Appellant's motion for leave to file reply brief.

Gary W. Watson v. Gore Bros., Inc. and Gore's, Inc., Erath. Appellant's motion for rehearing. (Panel consists of: Chief Justice Arnot, Justice Wright, and Justice McCall).

Cases Submitted
David B. Smith v. J-Hite, Inc., Taylor.

Sammy J. Dooley and

The Reader Who Cares

By Wanda Lee Beck Skinner

I met someone this week and after a very short conversation with her, I realized she was a consecrated Christian sister. I hope you care enough to let your love of God show in everything you do and say. When I was a child I read a story that ask the question, "If you went to trial today,

would your life and your witness convict you of being a Christian?" People need to see things in your everyday life that will show your true self and beliefs. Show love that proves your really care enough to help and listen to others.

Myron R. Johnson, Jr. v. Jimmie R. McMillan; Bruce W. McClymond; Orison F. "Mack" McDonald, II; McDonald Investments, Inc., FOAG, Inc; First National Bank Albany/Breckenridge; Ole Chapparral on Possum Kingdom and Louis Donnell, Jr.

State of Texas v. John Steven Massey, Taylor. Melvin Allan Bowen v. State of Texas, Brown.

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CRP Payments Began October 2

Agriculture Secretary Ann Veneman announced this week that USDA began issuing \$1.6 billion in Conservation Reserve Program (CRP) payments to producers.

Payments to producers will average \$4,354 per farm, or \$47.62 per acre.

This week's announcement does not include payments for two million acres enrolled under the most recent CRP general sign-up, number 26, which was held from May 5 to June 13 of this year. Rental payments under this newly enrolled acreage will be issued in October of 2004. **Signup Starts for Direct, Counter-cyclical Payments** Signup for this year's direct and counter-cyclical payment program (DCP) began on October 1, with a signup deadline of June 1 of next year.

Those who sign up will receive a 50 percent advance direct payment in December

2003 and the remaining 50 percent in October 2004.

Ag Committee Reviews Country-of-Origin Labeling

This week the House Livestock and Horticulture Subcommittee held a hearing to review the impact of mandatory country of origin labeling (COOL).

The Subcommittee heard from representatives of the fruit, vegetable, fish and peanut industries.

The USDA is currently preparing a proposed rule on how the industry and producers will have to comply with the food labeling law when it becomes mandatory at the end of September, 2004.

The subcommittee urged USDA to release this rule as soon as possible in order to give the industry as much time as possible to properly review it and make comments to USDA.

USDA Preparing for Canadian Cattle Imports
And on the subject of rules,

the USDA will shortly begin issuing proposed rules for allowing Canadian cattle under 30 months of age to cross the border into the United States.

Prior to opening the border, there will be a public comment period of at least 30 days, and possibly 60.

Following this comment period, USDA will probably re-draft the rules and then review them.

This means that the rules will probably not be released in their final form until sometime during the first quarter of next year.

These actions, of course, are being taken in response to the single case of bovine spongiform encephalopathy (BSE or mad cow disease) that was discovered in Canada earlier this year. As many of you know, BSE is a chronic, degenerative neurological disorder in cattle.

Fortunately, BSE has never been detected in U.S. cattle because of the tough precautions taken by the USDA and the Department of Health and Human Services.

According to a research center at Harvard University, the risk of BSE occurrence in the US is extremely low, and if it were to occur it would be immediately contained.

As an added precaution, USDA intends to more than double the number of BSE tests it will conduct this year. In a related development, Mexico announced this week that it is lifting its ban on imports of fresh and processed beef from Canadian cattle less than 30 months old.

U.S. Increases Sale of Ag Products to Cuba

It appears that the efforts of the Texas Farm Bureau and other agricultural organizations are paying off with regard to agricultural exports to Cuba.

According to a news report issued this week, purchases of U.S. food by Cuba will

increase at least 70 percent this year over last year.

Furthermore, the United States now provides 25 to 30 percent of Cuba's agricultural imports, a market that had previously been dominated by Canada and Europe.

Aggie Carrots

And finally, folks at the Texas A&M Vegetable and Fruit Improvement Center have been boasting for some time now about a new maroon carrot developed by their director, Dr. Leonard Pike. This carrot is called the "Beta-Sweet" and is orange in the center and maroon on the outside. It gets the name "Beta-Sweet" from its taste, which is sweeter than the common carrot. Initially, Dr. Pike began breeding for a maroon-colored carrot as a novelty for the Aggies, however research showed that a combination of the maroon and orange colors of the carrot made it more nutritious for consumers than the classic orange carrot. The maroon color contains a phytochemical that is known for protecting the body from cancer and improving the hair and skin. The orange color contains beta-carotene, which protects the lungs from cancer and bronchitis. This "Beta-Sweet" carrot can be found in and around the College Station area at

Signature Kroger, and you don't even have to be one of those crazy Aggies to enjoy this healthy treat.

As some of you probably know, the Aggies will meet the Red Raiders this weekend in Lubbock, and perhaps we'll see firsthand if those "Beta-Sweet" carrots

can make those Aggies bigger, stronger, and smarter!

Congressman Stenholm represents the 17th District of Texas in the U.S. House of Representatives and is the Ranking Member of the House Committee on Agriculture.

Cooking Ideas

by Elizabeth Pivonka, Ph.D., R.D., President, Produce for Better Health Foundation

(NAPS)—Every day, 365 days a year, people eat lunch—that's a lot of lunch ideas to put together. Never fear, natural California raisins can help with Raisin Waldorf Salad. This colorful salad has sun-dried raisins, fresh apples, and lean ham for a delicious new twist on the classic Waldorf. It's easy to make and can be packed into a portable plastic container for lunch one day and rolled up into a flour tortilla for a fun "sandwich" another day.



Pivonka

Eating 5 to 9 servings of colorful fruits and vegetables a day, exercising regularly and maintaining a healthy weight is good advice for young and old alike. However, according to a recent Produce for Better Health Foundation survey, only 13 percent of American families actually eat the minimum five daily servings of fruits and vegetables.

Here are some quick tips to add more fruit to your diet.
1. Have the kids help you make Raisin Waldorf Salad Rollups
2. Add raisins to tuna

and chicken salad along with chopped celery and grated carrots and pack into hollowed-out bread rolls

3. Include a box of raisins and a container of yogurt to stir together

4. Add raisins to cinnamon applesauce for 2 servings of fruit

For more natural California Raisin recipes and information, visit the Web site www.sunmaid.com; and for more information about 5 A Day, visit the Web site www.5aday.org and www.aboutproduce.com.

Raisin Waldorf Salad

- 1/2 cup Sun-Maid Natural California Raisins
- 4 ounces diced lean ham
- 2 apples, diced
- 1/2 cup sliced celery
- 1/4 cup fat-free mayonnaise or plain yogurt
- 2 tablespoons chopped toasted walnuts, optional
- 4 small (6-inch) flour tortillas, optional

Combine salad ingredients. Serve as a salad or make into sandwich rollups. For rollups, divide filling equally among tortillas and roll up, folding in the ends. Wrap in plastic wrap or aluminum foil until ready to eat. Makes 4 servings.

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Meet The Author - Tuesday, October 14

The Friends of the Cross Plains Library are thrilled to announce they will feature Carlton Stowers at their upcoming Meet the Author evening. On Tuesday evening, October 14, at 7 p.m. at the Cross Plains Community Center, Mr. Stowers will discuss the writing of his latest book *Scream at the Sky: Five Texas Murders and One Man's Crusade for Justice*. This is the story of the brutal rape and murder of five young women in Wichita Falls in 1984 and '85. The cases remained unsolved for over 15 years until district attorney's investigator John Little came across a crucial clue in an old report. This breakthrough put him on the trail of one Faryion Wardrip, who had confessed to one of the murders, was convicted, and served 11 years of a 35-year sentence. Upon being paroled, he married and became active in a local church. A review by *Publishers Weekly* comments, "The book becomes increasingly suspenseful as Little quietly builds his case against the sanctimonious Wardrip, whose composure crumbles when he's finally confronted on his old misdeeds. Stowers demonstrates sensitivity toward the many survivors of Wardrip's crimes, yet at heart this is a gory, effective meditation on the evil sometimes committed by 'ordinary' men and great efforts necessary for justice."

have been selections of the Literary Guild, Mystery Guild, Doubleday Book Club, Guideposts Book Club and others.

Though he now resides in Cedar Hill, Texas, Mrs. Stowers has ties to this area, having attended high school in Abilene and worked for the Abilene Reporter-News for a few years.

After Mr. Stowers presentation, light refreshments will be served. Mr. Stowers' books will be available for purchase, and he'll be happy to autograph them and visit with you. As always, there is no charge to attend, and you may call the Cross Plains Public Library at 254-725-7722 for more information or directions to the Community Center.

Mr. Stowers is a New York Times best-selling master of true crime, and his *To the Last Breath and Careless Whispers* were both awarded the Mystery Writers of America's Edgar Allen Poe Award as the Best Fact Crime Book of the Year. His *Innocence Lost* was nominated for a Pulitzer Prize. *Careless Whispers* inspired the CBC Movie of the Week, *Sworn to Vengeance*, and *Open Secrets* was the basis for the ABC mini-series *Telling Secrets*. A former *Dallas Morning News* reporter, Mr. Stowers is now a staff writer for the *Dallas Observer*. His *Partners in Blue*, a 100-year history of the Dallas Police Department received a citation from the Dallas Police Association. His work has appeared in publications such as *Sports Illustrated*, *Time*, *People*, and *Good Housekeeping*, and his books

Eastland County Retired Teachers To Meet Oct. 13

Eastland County Retired Teachers and Associates will meet at Spur and Sportsman Cafe' at 11:30 a.m. on Monday, October 13, 2003 in Cisco.

John Ferguson will present a program on the 12th Armored Division Museum of Abilene. He is the Director of the Museum.

Jacque Fick
Public Relations

Read the County Classifieds

Just Remembering

By Jasper Cook

In the 1920's and '30s the Cisco Church Of The Nazarene was located on the northwest corner of East Eighth Street and Avenue A. I remember my Dad would sometimes carry me when my little legs were tired, and Mom would carry my baby sister, LaUnia, as they walked to that Church to attend old-fashioned Revival Meetings. I don't believe they ever missed one of them.

Most of the meetings lasted two or three weeks, and usually they had services in the mornings as well as at night. Some of the modern Revivals last only two or three days.

I visited one such meeting in Illinois not long ago. They only held evening services. At the end of the sermon they gave an invitation for people to come forward and accept Christ. I was rather confused

because they turned out the lights. Someone lit two candles and placed one at each end of the Altar Rail.

After the service I asked the Pastor why the lights had been turned out. He replied that they did it because someone might want to come forward but would be embarrassed if the congregation saw them. I couldn't believe what I was hearing. When I became a Christian I wanted the WHOLE WORLD to know about it, and I still do!

My mother and father were loyal members of the East Cisco Methodist Church, located at 503 East 12th Street, but they enjoyed visiting the Church Of The Nazarene's Revivals, mainly because Mom's cousins were members there. They also enjoyed the Evangelistic Sermons and old fashioned Gospel singing.

I remember the meetings

under a tent, with sawdust scattered on the ground in order to keep down the dust. When someone answered the invitation to come forward, they called it "Hitting The Sawdust Trail."

I remember the little children playing or sleeping on quilts, spread out on the ground just outside the Revival tent, while the inside of the tent was filled to overflowing with adults and teenagers.

I've often wondered about those large crowds, and in my mind I am sure most of the people were there because of their spiritual needs; however, I am convinced some of them were there because, to them, the meetings were a form of entertainment. I suspect a few attended out of curiosity. I know for a fact that there are people still living who became a Christian at those early Revivals.

I remember Nazarene Evangelist, Herschel

Thursday, October 9, 2003

Murphy, who played guitar and sang religious songs. He loved to take modern songs and put his own religious words to them. I'll never forget the time someone questioned him about using "worldly" songs in church. He answered, "All tunes belong to The Lord, except the spitoon, the Devil can have that one." I doubt if he would say that today, if he were still alive.

When I was 12 years old my father gave me my first guitar. Evangelist Herschel Murphy and family had moved to Cisco and he taught me how to make chords on it. I was soon putting my own religious words to popular songs.

My very first composition was "Beautiful City." A friend heard it and invited me to sing that song at his Church. I played my guitar and sang my first song in the First Baptist Church in Ranger, Texas, and have been writing songs and singing ever since that day.

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Weatherford B-29 Memorial October 18

All from this area are invited to the Weatherford B-29 Memorial Ceremony, which will be held at the Weatherford Public Library at 10 a.m. on Saturday, Oct. 18.

The Library is located at 1210 Charles Street.

The event is designed to honor the 20 airmen involved in the head-on crash of two B-29 bombers over the city of Weatherford the night of August 17, 1945, in which 18 of the young men died.

Guest speaker of the event will be former Speaker of the House, Congressman Jim Wright. Also attending will be both survivors, Mr. Ed Smith, Co-pilot, and Sgt. Earl Wischmeier, waist gunner.

A marker will be dedicated to commemorate

this World War II tragedy. The ceremony will last about 45 minutes and be followed by a reception.

That evening the two men will be taken to the Vintage Flying Museum at Meachem Field in Fort Worth for the Annual Big Band Hangar Dance. The men will be guests of honor for the evening.

Veterans of Eastland County and others interested in history have a special invitation to attend the ceremony at the Library and also the Big Band Hangar Dance.

Readers may recall that on Memorial Day, 2003 the Eastland County Newspapers had an article written by Bob Hopkins of Weatherford in which he told of the collision of the bombers in 1945. This

spectacular accident was witnessed over much of this area.

The research of Bob Hopkins and the work of the Parker County Historical

Society has had a great part in bringing this memorial to pass.

Thursday, October 9, 2003 correct area codes. Business phone systems and security systems also may need to be reprogrammed to handle new area codes.

A local call is still a local call and a toll call is still a toll call under the new area codes.

Use The Classifieds

Mandatory Dialing In West Texas

Phone customers calling to the 915, 432, and 325 area codes must use the new code when dialing to these regions became effective at 12:01 a.m. on Saturday, Oct. 4.

Last year the Public Utility Commission (PUC) approved dividing the 915 area code into three individual area code regions. The approved plan received overwhelming support from both residential and business customers during the public comment period. The three

way split approved by the PUC will prevent the need for additional area codes in the three regions for an estimated 17 to 20 years.

For the past six months a grace period allowed customers to get familiar with the new area codes. Mandatory dialing using the new codes become effective Oct. 4. Customers dialing the old area code will get a recorded reminder until Dec. 7.

Phone customers should Wireless phone customers

affected by the change should contact their providers because it may be necessary to have handsets reprogrammed with the

From Whence Came I

By Wanda Lee Beck Skinner

Today I want to encourage you to begin to write your personal history. After the death of my mother, I found notes in her Bible with simple statements such as Brother _____ was called as pastor on _____ date. Or _____ last sermon as pastor _____ was preached _____ date. Mother did not consider herself a writer but her notes helped me so much with the church history. You may not think you are a writer, but I ask you, "Have you ever related an event from your life to another person?" I have a suggestion for you. Get your tape player out and tell your story about one event into the tape player. Then go back and transcribe

it onto paper. You have just written an article. Proof read it and maybe have another person or two to proof read it. Do not be offended if they have questions or if they make corrections. Put the paper away for a few days, pick it up and read it. Do this with events that include groups of people such as family, friends, clubs, and churches. Before you know it a book about your life begins to appear. This article is written because many years ago, Teach Johnson taught me this secret.

I need your queries and I need your stories, especially if you have life in Eastland for many, many years.

Happy Hunting.

Poetry Corner

The Master's Touch

How blessed are the stars on high
To send to us their holy light.
As if an artist had passed our way
To put his work on display.
The Master's touch is the real thing
Something a forger cannot claim.
He paints the sunset at the end of the day
And sends His blessings along our way.

He paints the sunrise on the morning tide
And hear the seagulls on their flight.
The blessings we have of another day
And the promise to walk with us along the way.
The joy that each of us are given
To be counted among the living.
So stop and smell the roses along the way
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By Bob Harbin

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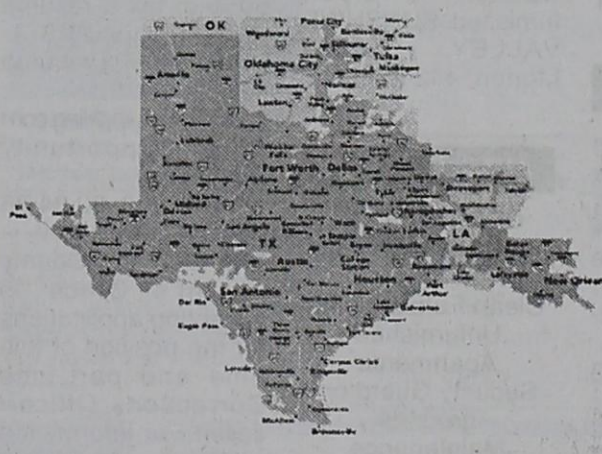


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Obituary

A memorial service for Dorothy Jean (Chrisman) Graham was held Saturday, Oct. 4, 2003, at Tuttle Church of Christ, in Tuttle, OK. Burial was in Fairview Cemetery in Tuttle, under direction of Sevier Funeral Home, Tuttle, OK.

Mrs. Graham entered her eternal life on Tuesday, Sept. 30th, 2003, with her children at her side, at Mustang Manor assisted living in Mustang, OK.

She was born June 10, 1924 in Baird, to Brutus Clay Chrisman and Lavada Jane (Ezzell) Chrisman. She was a graduate of Baird High School.

Dorothy was a secretary for Southwestern Public Service for 25 years in Lubbock. She moved to Fort Worth, and was a travel agent with Upchurch Travel, leading tours all over the world for corporate travel. Dorothy's children savor the memories of their travels around the world with her.

Her parents, 4 brothers and one sister preceded her in death.

She is survived by her children and their spouses, Diane and Moody Hughes, Tuttle, OK, Paula McLeroy, Blanchard, OK, Ronnie McLeroy, David and Ellen Graham, Oklahoma City; her



brother, Doyle Chrisman, Denton, and sisters-in-law

Betty Chrisman, Austin, and Elizabeth Chrisman, Arlington; grandchildren, their spouses and great-grandchildren, Ross Hughes, and children, Rachel and Jennalee Hughes, Norman, OK; Lisa Woods, Eufaula, OK, and children, Dawn and Ryan Halley, Moore, OK, Randy Hughes, Grand Prairie, Lara Douglas, and son, Benny Dale Douglas, Tuttle, OK; Byron and Kristi Hughes, and children, Austin and Aubree Hughes, Tuttle, OK, Aaron McLeroy, Tuttle, OK, Jarod and Heather McLeroy and children, Callie, Brynn, and Cullen McLeroy, Carrizo Springs; and the cats she dearly loved, Snowball and Boo-Boo.

Obituary

Carroll Duane Scott

CISCO- Carroll Duane Scott, 70, of Cisco, died Thursday, October 2, 2003 at Eastland Memorial Hospital.

Services were held at 3 p.m. Saturday, October 4, 2003 at I-20 Church of Christ, Lou David Allen, Dale Scott and Larry Fitzgerald officiated. Burial was in the Oakwood Cemetery directed by Kimbrough Funeral Home.

Carroll was born August 31, 1933 in Lubbock, Texas to J.B. and Arminta (Mooney) Scott. He married Shirley Wilson on May 25, 1956 in Groesbeck, Texas. He was retired from Cisco Jr. College where he was Vice President, he was Past President of Cisco Lions Club, Lake Cisco Christian Camp Board Chairman for 25 years and was a member of I-20 Church of Christ where he was a Deacon.

Survivors are his wife, Shirley Scott of Cisco; daughters, Carol Ann Slagle of Cisco, Sue Louis and husband Mark of Irving, Kay Rains and husband Robert of Cisco; sister, Yvonne Kaigler of Dallas; grandchildren,



Stephanie Andrews and husband Ryan, Scott Slagle, Taylor Louis, Zane Louis, Leann Rains and Kaleb Rains.

He was preceded in death by a sister, Veldean Miller; brothers, Burford and Kenneth Scott.

Pallbearers were Jim Fitzgerald, Bill Kendall, Jon Denison, Ronnie Hearne, M.D. Lee and Olin Odom.

Memorials may be made to Lake Cisco Christian Camp c/o I-20 Church of Christ Box 629, Cisco, TX 76437, Girling Hospice 957 E. Main, Eastland, TX 76448 or Cisco Jr. College 101 College Heights, Cisco, TX 76437.

Baird Senior Citizens News

submitted by Delores Stewart

The Baird Seniors are gathering for their annual garage sale. Our sale will start on Thursday, Friday and Saturday mornings from 8:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. The garage sales will not be in the afternoon. We are sorry if this is an inconvenience for anyone.

This garage sale will benefit Meals on Wheels and our center. Please come buy your treasures early.

There are plans to take a fall foliage drive in October. We have an invitation to go to Noeplace in Buffalo Gap and we enjoyed our last trip so very much.

On October 28, 2003, we will have our annual Flu Clinic. Please call in advance so we can start giving the shots at 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

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The 2002-2003 Townsend Press Scholarship Contest recently announced that 37 Cisco Junior College students would receive cash awards for winning an international writing contest backed by the Townsend Press Company. Awards ranged from \$500 to \$100 each.

CJC Students Sherri Barrett, Shelley Jacques, and Melinda Pritchett each won \$500; Massey Campos and Benson Jarvis were each awarded \$250. Shaun Angus, Julie Bradley, Brandie Burks, Kimberly Calloway, Merina Carreno, Miriam Chimhungwe, Aaron Collins, Regina Dacy, Christopher Diaz, Maher El Jurdi, Michael Fisher, Kim Geske, Melissa Griffin, Scott Goolsby, Josh Gordy, Brenda Harrell, Janice Jerring, Chris Jack, Chad Keese, Nicholas May, Kevin Napper, Michael Notgrass, Stephen Reinicke, Janeen Robinson, Crystal Sitz, Aletra Stewart, Michelle Teague, Antonio Tijerina, Brent Wallace, Britany Brooke Watson, Crystal Watson, and Williams won \$100 each.

Students wrote personal essays on the topic "Taking Charge of My Life." Essays were judged for content and form as well as the overall effectiveness of the writing.

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CJC To Offer Two Non-Credit Business, Professional Courses

Cisco Junior College will offer two non-credit business and professional courses at the Abilene Educational Center during October.

Supervisor's Survival Kit is a 16-contact hour course that teaches supervisors to plan activities based on personal and organizational goals, demonstrate flexibility in a changing environment, and develop strategies for gaining greater control and increasing results. The course will meet on Tuesdays, October 14, 21, 28, and November 4 from 6:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. Cost for the course is \$89.

Human Resources Management is a 9-contact hour course designed to teach

those in personnel departments to make better human resources decisions, develop a stronger employee relations program, plan for future employment opportunities, and improve employee retention. This course will meet Wednesdays, October 15, 22, and 29 from 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. at the Abilene Educational Center. Cost for the course is \$46.

Both courses are open to the public as well as businesses. Students must register in advance. For more information, contact Cisco Junior College at (325) 673-4567, extension 201 or 228.

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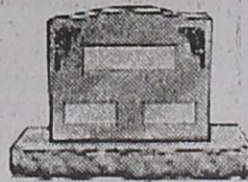
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Redistricting Still Unsettled

by Viola M. Payne

Deadline passed for March 2 Election

As lawmakers in Austin battled over congressional redistricting, voters wondered whether the March 2 Primary Election would be delayed.

Cathy Jentho, County Clerk and Election Administrator for Eastland County, said Monday afternoon she didn't know when the Primary Election would be held.

"We're in limbo," she stated. "We're waiting on the Secretary of State - who is waiting on the Legislators."

She mentioned that local people were asking her about this March 2 Primary, which was supposed to have been tied in with "Super Tuesday" across the nation.

The office of the Secretary of State had said the redistricting bill must be signed no later than Oct. 6 (Monday) to allow enough time before March 2.

A call from this newspaper to the office of Rep. Jim Keffer, R-Dist. 60, Monday verified what Texas news sources were reporting - that the House of Representatives and Senate had each adjourned until Wednesday.

There were also reports of a stormy scene at the House (just before adjournment) between Speaker Tom Craddick, R-Midland, and a group of Democrats who were trying to force a vote to end the legislative session.

This is the Third Special Session called by Gov. Rick Perry in an attempt to re-draw congressional districts and increase the number of Texas Republicans in the U.S. Congress.

The current maps were set by Federal Judges in 2001. Some of the proposed new maps changes these boundaries dramatically.

Farm Bureau Annual Meeting Is Oct. 14; Exec. Director Vernie Glasson To Speak

The Callahan-Shackelford County Farm Bureau annual meeting will be held on Tuesday, October 14.

This year's guest speaker will be Texas Farm Bureau Executive Director, Vernie Glasson.

The meeting is to be held in the Baird School Cafeteria in Baird, and is slated to begin at 7:00 p.m., Sam Snyder, county president announced.

A fish fry will be catered by Catfish Corner of Abilene to members prior to the meeting.

About five months ago, when the worst of the redistricting discussion started, the Democrats and Republicans were fighting on the matter.

Now it has come down to some Republicans also disagreeing with proposed maps - especially one approved by the House of Representatives.

Congressional District 17 in West Texas is at the heart of the dispute. It has been represented by Congressman Charles Stenholm, D - Stamford, for almost 26 years. House Speaker Craddick and House members proposed a map that would split the 17th District in two parts, with Midland anchoring one and Lubbock the other. Both Abilene and San Angelo object to this, as apparently do most people in Eastland. Callahan and other counties in the District.

It was reported late Monday that U.S. House Majority Leader Tom DeLay was in Austin trying to work out a final compromise in redrawing the congressional boundaries.

Delay, a Texan, is one of the Republican leaders who has been active in pushing for a map that would give more Republicans a chance to win congressional seats.

Delay reported that a compromise was "close," with just some specifics that needed to be worked out.

In the meanwhile, the people of Eastland, Callahan, Stephens, Shackelford and other counties in the 17th District wondered what kind of "compromise" was going to land upon them.

And when would the Primary Election be held - maybe March 9?

Baird Elementary Honor Roll

The Baird Elementary School is proud to announce the Honor Rolls for the 6th six weeks grading period of 2003-2004. To qualify for the all A honor roll a student must have a 90 or above in every subject and nothing below an 80.

All A's

- Menzies - 4th
None
- Hatfield - 4th
Katelynn Mitchell, Mark Sanford
- Diller - 5th
Sara Kunick, Michelle Robbins
- S. Williams - 5th
Alexis Almanzar, Lauren Hare, Cody Hunter, Mackenzie Keller, Alex Neal, Elisha Pritchett, Karen Pursley
- Hughes - 6th
Amber Clark, Brittney Russo, Shelby Strickland, Rose Wamsley
- T. Williams - 6th
Jenna Betcher, Taylor Marks, Mitzy McDowell, Cassidy Miller, Holley Owens

A-B

- Menzies - 4th
Tyler White, Emily Sturiale, Melanie Cooper, Sara Keith
- Hatfield - 4th
Brent Bacon, Brittany Cook, Danielle Farley, Chris Ramirez, Adam Slate
- Diller - 5th
Colton Fox, Jessica Nash, Chelsea Parker, Adolfo Portillo, Jameson Rountree
- S. Williams - 5th
Brandon Glaze
- Hughes - 6th
Rainy Burks, Kristen Burns, Debra Davis, Fallon Donlan, Courtney Nail
- T. Williams - 6th
Cody Isenhower, Amanda Pearce, Andrew Slate



Candis Gilley is the daughter of Jon Gilley of Baird and Lori Duncan of Abilene.

ESTATE AUCTION OCTOBER 11 OLDEN, TEXAS 10:00 A.M.

Mrs. Georgia Hunter and Mr. John Hoover have married and have moved into a new home and they have decided to sell the remains of both households. Some of the items in these estates are:

- Table w/6 chairs & 3 leaves, Bar stools, Refrigerator, (Maytag side by side), Spine-0-Pedic queen bed, RCA w/re-mote, Double dresser w/ mirror, Maytag washer & dryer, Dresser chest type, lamps (wood, wrought iron), Night stand, Computer Future Power 48 X Max w/printer Windows 98, Desk (wood), Hat rack (wood), Couch (sleeper), Brass eagle, End tables, Clainette 100 Realistic Stereo w/8track, Bed (King), Small table (pecan wood), Small dresser w/ mirror Oak wood, Pendleton Blankets, wood chair, singer sewing machine, GE stove flat cooking, surface, microwave oven (Kenmore) 2 blue Lazyboy recliners, Couch (sleeper) and love seat (Benchcraft), Zenith console TV, Claw foot coffee table, Deacon Bench, Butcher block table, Glider Swing, Wood rocker leather seat, Bed (full), leather couch (sleeper), Old wood rocker (needs repair), Oil lamps, dishes (corelle), stove (O'Keefe and Merritt oven (not working), 2 small deep freezers (Kenmore & A-State), High Fire Kiln (Paragon), lots of craft items - lots of greenware - lots of leather craft stuff, wood jewelry wood boxes, wood pedestal table, folding tables, fire gas logs, old quilt box bench, magazine rack, craft books, gun cabinet (6 gun), Love seat and chair brown leather, cedar table w/6 chairs, Hom w/cowhide couch and chair, 2 wooden hutches, desk (wood), coffee table, pottery, mirrors, bed linens (new), metal twin bed, end tables, Tappan micro-

hide rugs, old antique hand tools, antique plows-walking turning - harrow, 3 leg wash pot, hay rack, MTV riding lawn mower 40' round pen, 6' rear blade, 5' house shredder, 6' Tandem, bale spike, hydraulic trailer Big Tex 20', Massey Ferguson 250 tractor with front-end loader (diesel), 2000 Chev. Silverado HD truck, 2000 Executive series Town Car. (automobiles STOA).

There will be many, many more items too numerous to list! All announcements sale day supercede all others.

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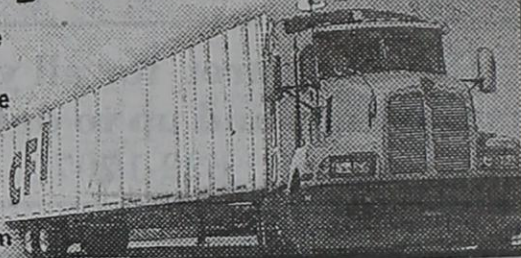
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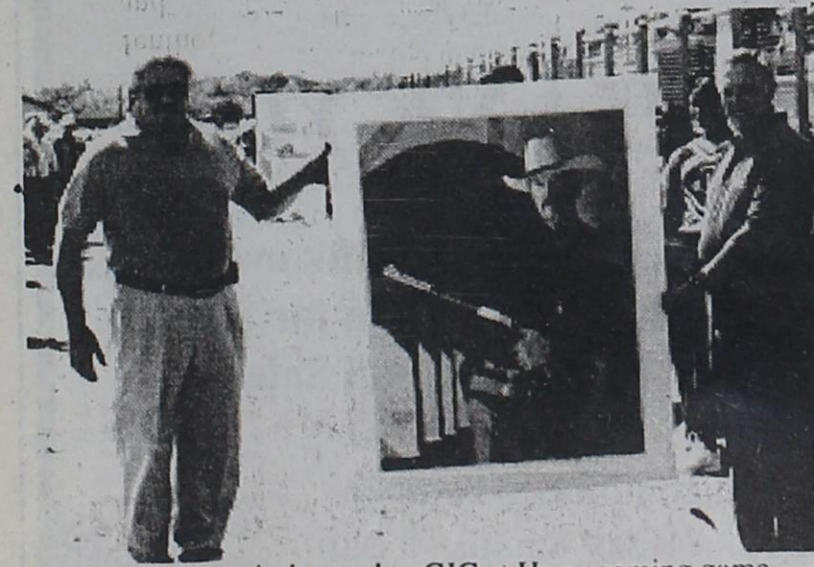
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