



The Cisco Loboes won the Area Championship game against San Saba 35-27 last Friday in Early.

Loboes To Play Crane At San Angelo Friday, 7 PM

By Richard Kurklin

Friday at 7:00 p.m. in San Angelo, the Cisco High Lobo football team will play the Crane Golden Cranes for the Regional Championship in Class 2A, Division II, in the State Playoffs. Cisco is the home team.

Cisco is undefeated and beat San Saba last week. Crane beat Friona last week and their only loss was to Muleshoe.

Lobo Coach Brent West says that Crane quarterback Jordan Cavacos is the best running quarterback that the Loboes have faced this year, and that he can also pass.

Cody Black, a 6 ft., 190 lb., tailback is also a threat. On defense the Cranes have two 6-4, 230, defensive linemen and All-State linebacker Justin Mendoza.

Meanwhile, the Loboes were beaten up in a very physical game last week, and two two-way starters may not be able to play. Some younger players may need to step up their play to the next level this week.

The winner of this game will play Bushland or Henrietta for the Quarterfinal Championship.

Toy and Food Drives Set December 5 & 12

You may notice that your church has set up a toy and food drive for the Cisco Good Fellows. This areawide church drive will conclude on Sunday, December 6th and all of the items will be picked up the following week. If you need us to stop by and pick up your donation of nonperishable food items or new toys please call Goodfellows at (254)442-4479.

On December 5th Goodfellows plans to have

a toy and food drive outside of Walmart in Eastland and on Saturday December 12th we will be in front of Cisco Brookshires.

McMillian State Farm Insurance in Cisco is also collecting toys for the Goodfellows. Also the elementary school will begin their annual food drive for Goodfellows after the Thanksgiving holiday.

Thank you for all of your help this year providing a brighter Christmas for all.

Two Blood Donations In Cisco On December 2

Two blood drives will take place in Cisco on Wednesday, December 2. The Meek Blood Center bloodmobile will be at Cisco College from 10:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m., the move to Brookshires from 3:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m. This will be a replacement blood drive

Is America A Christian Nation?

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This question will be answered and addressed by the Christian educator, speaker, and historian David Barton by way of DVD at East Cisco Baptist Church, 506 E. 11th St. in Cisco on Sunday, November 29 at 6:30 p.m.

Everyone is welcome to come and take part in this time of worship.

for long-time Cisco resident and blood donor, Jerry Lambeth.

A total of fifty seven willing donors participated in the blood drives held on October 7.

Donors must be at least 17 years old, weigh a minimum of 120 pounds and be in good health. Each donor must present a photo ID. Most medications do not interfere with donor eligibility. Those who have eligibility questions may call Meek Blood Center at 325-670-2798 or visit www.meekbloodcenter.org.

Each donor will receive a free health screening, total cholesterol test and a long sleeve T-shirt.

Cisco's Tour Of Homes Dec. 1

Cisco Chamber of Commerce Annual Tour of Homes December 1 from 5pm-9pm. Tickets are \$5.00 and can be purchased at the chamber ahead of time or at the homes that night.

601 W 9th St: Home of Landon & Shilo Thompson. Where a traditional & antique Christmas flow together beautifully with Mark Roberts Santa's & Elves, old rose china and various antique traditional décor throughout the home.

404 W 11th St: Home of Curt & Vicki Posey. A delightful & whimsical country Christmas décor. With various tree themes from children's home made items to antique cookie cutters you can't help but get in the holiday spirit.

4593 Hwy 206: The Davis Home. Go 8 1/2 miles out on Cross Plains Hwy (Hwy 206) gravel drive way on the right. A Christmas theme for every room from Santa to nutcrackers, Angels and more fill this country home

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Cisco Food Pantry

The Cisco Food Pantry's distribution days will be December 3rd and December 18th from 3:30 PM to 5:30 PM at 206 West 9th St.

King and Queen Lobo LXXVIII



Bradley Toler and Britanni Gattis were crowned King and Queen Lobo LXXVIII at the coronation held last Thursday.

District 60 Helps Decorate Capitol Christmas Tree

The Texas House of Representatives continues the tradition of having an ornament from each one of the 150 districts decorate the Christmas tree. Each ornament is hand decorated by an artist in each district. Representative Keffer (R-Eastland) would like to acknowledge wonderful work done by Cathi Ball and her students. Cathi Ball is an Associate



Professor of Art at Howard Payne University. The ornament is circled by drawings of each county's courthouse, the Texas House of Representatives seal and other buildings in the district and contains blue glass recycle from the Capitol Rotunda. The following students contributed to decoration of the ornament:

- Granbury Opera House - Jessica Jennings
- Granbury Courthouse - Ashley Mc Laughlin
- Stephens County Courthouse - Debbie Utterback
- Eastland County Courthouse - Christa Ramon
- Howard Payne University Logo - Allison Harp
- Howard Payne University

New Doakie Day Fine Art Center - Tiffany Wilson

- Rep. Jim Keffer Seal - Marci Journey
- Brown County Courthouse - Maria Espinoza
- Shackelford County Courthouse - Tyler Harkey
- Palo Pinto County Courthouse - Melinda Dickens
- The Baker Hotel - Tiffany Minschew.

The ornament will be photographed and cataloged to include the artists' names and contribution for many years to come. Representative Keffer and his wife Leslie would like to invite you visit the state capitol and admire each and every one of the ornaments.



Pictured are (l-r) Donovan Day, Luke Wylie, Justin Phillips, Tomas Hernandez and Ian Vinales.

Cisco Students Place 1st in Rez'd Gaming Competition

Cisco ISD was represented in the 3rd Annual Rez'd Gaming Competition at Abilene TSTC, November 14, 2009 by five students, Donovan Day, Ian Vinales, Luke Wylie, Justin Phillips and Tomas Hernandez.

After the team was selected in the top five they had to give a ten minute presentation explaining their game. The team received first place in the competition.

Each team member

received a PS3 Slim gaming system. Also, Cisco ISD received a Smart Board, Smart Document Camera, Smart Voters Response, Smart Airliner and projector for the teams first place showing, a value of over \$3000.

The competition involved math, science, programming and networking skills, allowing students that currently enjoy playing video games to do what they

enjoy, but in an educational level.

Using software provided by TSTC, the students created a story line with obstacles, traps and transition of difficulty levels throughout the entire game, and showed a great deal of computer "geekness."

The students were sponsored and guided by their instructor, Mrs. Charlotte Weiser.

Cisco College Band

Winter Concert

Thursday, December 3
College Fine Arts Auditorium

7 PM

Admission is free

Spirit Of Christmas Food Drive

The 28th annual Spirit of Christmas Food Drive, sponsored by Brookshire Grocery Co. and Cisco Goodfellows, begins Wednesday, Nov. 18.

The food drive provides food for needy families in the Cisco, Texas, area at Christmas.

"We have always had tremendous community response to the food drive," said Sam Anderson, Brookshire Grocery Co.'s director of consumer and community relations. "This has grown into one of the largest privately sponsored charitable efforts in the region."

Many participating Brookshire's and Super 1 Foods stores are selling \$1 and \$5 coupons and \$5 and \$7 grab-bags full of non-perishable food items, and all proceeds from these sales will go to the food drive effort.

Area residents may make donations by placing non-perishable items in

designated bins located in the stores.

People are asked not to donate homemade goods or items in glass jars. Bulk items, such as flour, sugar and corn meal, should be donated in smaller sizes to allow for more variety in the boxes given to the recipients.

In addition to the public food donations, each family will receive at least one roasted hen from BGC. Members of the participating service organization will sort, package and distribute the food to the families before Christmas.

All food collected in the area will be distributed in this area. Families assisted by the Spirit of Christmas Food Drive are selected by local relief organizations or government agencies according to need.

The Spirit of Christmas Food Drive began in 1982, when 92 families in Tyler, Texas, received assistance.

Cisco's Lighted Christmas Parade Dec. 1

Tuesday, December 1st is Cisco's Lighted Christmas Parade "Storybook Christmas." Line up begins at 5 p.m., Judging is at 5:30 p.m. Parade starts at 6:15 p.m. followed by the Annual Christmas Tree Lighting at the Community Pavilion.

Annual Holiday Bake Sale at Pavilion will start at 5 p.m. Santa will be at the Hilton following tree lighting. Please bring a camera if you'd like pictures.

Tour of Homes will be 5 p.m.-9 p.m. Tickets are \$5.00. Contact the Cisco Chamber of Commerce for more details.

CISD Holds Board Meeting

Board President Tim Barton officially opened the meeting.

First Grade Students did a marvelous "Reader's Theatre" for the Board, and their teachers and parents were there to support them.

The Board reviewed and praised recent CISD success: CISD 2008-2009 AEIS Report//CISD CHS Technology Students-ESC 14 Programming Contest//CISD Texas Bluebonnet Award//CHS FFA District Leadership Contest Champions (5 teams advancing to Area)//CHS Academic Teams (Math & Science) Invitational Champions//CISD Food Service Dept. & HST students - "Thanksgiving Senior Citizen Luncheon//CISD Needs Assessment Development//etc.

The Board received information that KATX Radio of Eastland will broadcast the remainder of the Loboes Playoff Games.

The CISD Board approved the Accounts Payable Report, the Investments Report, the Financial Status Reports, and the Trust-in-Agency Accounts Report as presented by Ms. Hanlon, CISD Finance Director. The Board discussed some upcoming budgeted projects.

The CISD Board approved 2009-2010 Budget amendments as presented (additional revenue).

The CISD Board approved Tuition/Tuition Waiver Request as presented.

The CISD Board discussed the acquisition of a new bus but took no action at this time.

The CISD Board received other financial information but took no action.

The CISD Board approved the minutes from the following meeting: Regular Meeting Oct. 26, 2009.

The CISD Board received information for campus administrators and program directors.

The CISD Board took the

listed action on the following policy items; Received information and discussed:

The status/progress of existing CISD Corrective Action Plans including: RFTTracker & SPP Indicator 12.

Took action upon: Second Reading - CISD Local Policy Update 86 CISD Investment Policy Callahan CAD Board of Directors Election

The CISD Board received other information regarding policy matters.

The CISD Board of Trustees received and discussed personnel information but took no action regarding those matters.

The Board received information regarding:

TEA and other state agency/professional association communications.

Other miscellaneous local information & communications.

The next CISD Trustee meeting will be December 16, 2009 at 6:00 p.m. at the Davis Learning Resource Center.

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Keep Cisco Beautiful Plans Downtown Lighting

Once again we have HIGH hopes for lighting the downtown area. The Cisco Development Corporation, Cisco Civic League, and ASB gave donations so we could expand the lighted areas and we hope to continue with more each year. New lighted places

From Page One Tour Of Homes

with warm holiday wishes. 1906 Hwy 200: The Open Door. The look from the cold to enjoy refreshments and traditions come for the holidays décor.

500 Ave L: Home of Scott & Tammy Douglas. The Christmas spirit wrapped up in one stop. Santa reindeer, snowmen, topiary, and western trees deck the halls throughout this early 1900's gem.

to look for this year include Ted & Rex's One Stop, Cross Ties, Mexico City, and the 5 story building on the corner of Conrad Hilton & 6th. And we hope to have a few more before we run out of lights. Several of the downtown buildings either replaced roofs or painted which meant the lights were removed and had to be put back up. Plus we had problems with some of them just falling down. There were several people helping get them back in place along with the help of Cisco High Lift who brought equipment so the high places could be reached. Most have been stuck back in place. We need to remind those in charge of plugging in their section to get those extension cords and timers going by Thanksgiving. There will be lots of travelers through our area and we want them to have something to remember about our fair city. Thanks to all who are keeping this new tradition going and may your Christmas season be merry and BRIGHT!

Notice

The City of Cisco would like to take this opportunity to inform their water bill customers that beginning January 1, 2010, that the late fee will increase to \$20.00 should water bills be received after 5 p.m. on the 15th of the month. Re-connect fees will increase to \$75.00 if your service should be terminated for non payment.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact City Hall at 254-442-2111. Thank you!
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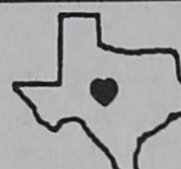
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Supernotes

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Winter is almost here! We had a good precursor to it last week with that cold snap, but after all it is November. We aren't supposed to be able to wear shorts and short sleeved shirts all year. You have to move a lot further south for that kind of weather. I wish you all a blessed Thanksgiving and that all you have to be thankful for will be revealed to you in a special way. Be truly thankful!

School is out early on Tuesday, and we will be closed this Wednesday through Friday for Thanksgiving. We return to regular schedule on Monday. I hope is a restful break for everyone.

One thing for which everyone can be thankful is that we have great kids and we have a highly qualified faculty and a great staff that care about our kids and our school. We also have a great school board, all of whom have been diligently working for the best interest of your children and our community. We have a school where I believe everyone feels welcome, safe, and well cared for.

It looks like our legislature has decided to put public education on the back burner again and is making no plans to try and fix our financial problems in the next session or any other time. Last week the Texas House of Representatives Interim Charges were released:

House Committee on Public Education

1. Monitor the implementation of the public school accountability, college readiness, and other reforms enacted by HB 3 (81R) and recommend adjustments as needed.

2. Study the role of public schools in promoting student health, providing health related information, and responding to infectious diseases, including the H1N1 virus.

3. Study the best leadership and management practices of campus administrators for improving student achievement, with particular focus on effective leadership models for improving low-performing campuses. Make recommendations on how to implement successful strategies at scale. Review the current administrator certification process and make suggestions for improvements.

4. Review policies to ensure the availability of quality science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM) curriculum to all students in primary and secondary education. Examine strategies to increase the supply and improve retention rates of teachers in STEM fields.

5. Monitor the agencies and programs under the committee's jurisdiction.

Unfortunately, the charges do not mention funding or funding related issues. This is very interesting since there is a requirement in HB 3646 to study funding weights. I suppose since they made the law, they can ignore it. It appears that with the influx of no new money and no known stimulus funding continuing, that there just isn't any political interest to deal with the looming financial crisis facing the Texas public schools. I am personally curious about what or who that "Rainy Day Fund" is being saved for? It seems ridiculous to me that for any real change to take place that it requires a court order. To adequately and equitably fund the education

of the children in Texas should not just be a dream, it should be a reality and a priority! Call your legislator in support of our legislators developing a funding plan during the interim that will do this before the next session begins in 2012. Don't your kids and grand kids deserve it?

We played basketball in May last Tuesday night and dropped both games. But we played hard and were more physical than I've seen in the past. On top of that, we have a lot of speed. I expect by district they will be ready, plus we will have some of our injured players back. Our junior high players participated in a basketball tournament in Cross Plains that began on Thursday. Varsity boys played Santo last Friday night here at home.

Elementary U.I.L. Academic Competition will be held on December 8th and 10th at Ranger. If your child is on a team, please encourage them to study for the contest. Permission slips as well as additional information will be sent home to you before the trip.

Remember, no shorts are to be worn between Thanksgiving and Spring Break. Please!

The Lady Cubs and Cubs will play Evant Monday, November 23rd, 2009, starting at 4:00pm in the new gym. Please come out and support our kids. These are the varsity of tomorrow and they need your encouragement and support. The Lady Panthers Basketball Team will play at



Gospel Singing in Moran Texas on November 29, 2009 starts at 3:00 PM Banquet to follow at the Moran Community Center

Sidney on Tuesday, November 24th, starting at 3:00pm.

As you ponder on all of your blessings this past year, please don't forget to be thankful for your family, each and every person! Remember those serving in our military and those that have served in our military, all branches, and for the freedoms they preserve for us. Pray for our government and our country, we face many challenges in the near and distant future. And, thank God for all things!

Remember, it takes community involvement for a school to be successful and you are welcome to get involved at Gorman ISD anytime. This is your school; these are your children; and these children are your future! Your input is always welcome. Come help us shape the future. Thank you for all you do to support us!



Crossword Answers

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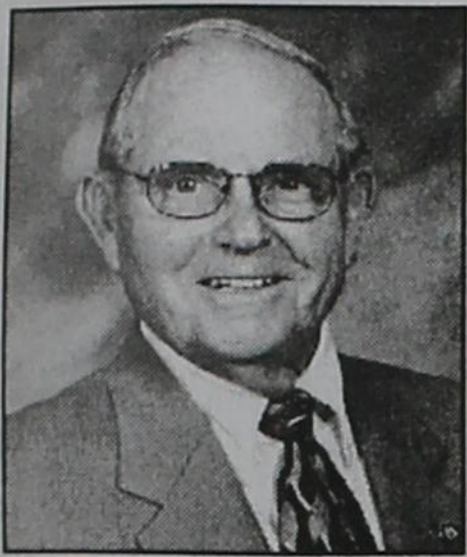
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Obituaries

Lowell 'Glen' Key



FORT WORTH -- Lowell Glendell Key, 80, passed away Saturday, Nov. 21, 2009.

Funeral: 10 a.m. Friday, November 27, 2009 at Ridgela Presbyterian Church, 6201 Camp Bowie Blvd, Fort Worth 76116. Interment: Colony Cemetery in Ranger.

Memorials: In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Ridgela Presbyterian Church.

Pallbearers are nephews; Billy Woodrich, Tommy Guess, Johnny Hathcock, Rex Hathcock, Glen Hathcock, Joey Key, Woody Woodrich and David Key.

Glen Key was born Aug. 27, 1929, in Leonard, to Maude and Jones Key. He grew up on the family farm, picking cotton and delivering newspapers in his early years. After moving to Fort Worth, Glen graduated from Technical High School in 1946.

Glen served two tours of duty in the U.S. Army, beginning at age 17, in Sept. of 1946. He served with occupation forces in Tokyo, Japan with the First Cavalry Division as radio operator from 1946 to 1948. While serving in Japan, he intercepted a report via ham radio about the ship explosion in Texas City and woke his roommate who was a reporter for the Stars and Stripes. The military reporter scooped the Texas newspapers by publishing the report in Japan first. Glen was recalled by the U.S. Army from August 1950 to November 1951 during the Korean conflict. He was also active in local Fort Worth politics and served as Democratic chairman of the largest precinct in Fort Worth in the early sixties. He

attended the breakfast held for JFK on the morning of his assassination in November 1963. He graduated from Texas Christian University in 1958, under the G.I. bill, with a BS degree in Commerce and from the University of Chicago in 1968, with an MBA. He worked for the Fort Worth & Denver, Chicago, Burlington, and Quincy Railroad Company and the Burlington Northern Transportation System from May 1949 to May 1970. Glen resigned as General Manager of Real Estate in Chicago, Ill. and was then Director of Real Estate for the Hertz Corporation (RCA) from 1970 to 1973 in Miami, Fla. He then moved to a position as Chief of Airport Properties and Assistant Aviation Director for Dade County, Miami International Airport from 1973 to 1995, when he retired. Glen and Joy moved back to Fort Worth in 1995 after a 30 year absence.

Since 1958, Glen has served as deacon and elder at various churches, including the First Christian Church of Naperville, Ill., Old Cutler Presbyterian Church of Miami, Fla., and Ridgela Presbyterian Church of Fort Worth. He was also a member of the Masonic Lodge (50+ years), Moshah Shriners, Sertoma Club, and was a 32nd degree Scottish Rite member in Fort Worth. He enjoyed golfing, traveling and reading.

Glen married Joy Hathcock, of Ranger, in 1953, in Fort Worth. Joy and Glen had one son and had been married 56 years at the time of his death. Glen is preceded in death by his mother, Maude Craig of Grand Prairie, father Jones Key of Fort Worth, and by brother Tommy Key of Fort Worth.

Survivors: Wife, Joy; son, Lowell Stephen (Steve) and wife Jennifer of Houston; granddaughter, Sarah Key-DeLyria and husband Dan; grandson, Stephen Key and fiance, Nelly Baltierrez, of Houston; great-grandson, Isaac Key-Delyria; brother, Billy Jack Key of Fort Worth; and a number of nephews and nieces.

Betty Penn Kinser



Betty Penn Kinser, 75, passed away Thursday, Nov. 19, 2009, at a Fort Worth hospital.

Funeral was held at 2 p.m. Monday, November 23, 2009 at First Baptist Church of Gorman, 218 W. Ross St., Gorman. Burial: Evergreen Cemetery, Ranger. Visitation: 1 p.m. Monday at the church.

Betty was born July 11, 1934, in Ranger. She was the second of two daughters born to E.F. (Frank) and Ola Odessa Carey Penn.

She was called home to her heavenly reward on Thursday, Nov. 19, 2009, at the age of 75 years.

She was a Christian and member of the First Baptist Church in Gorman.

Betty retired from Birdsong Peanuts in Gorman in 2004 as a logistics supervisor after 39 years of dedicated service. After retirement she worked for Garrett Aerobics, James and Jo-Anne Garrett.

She was an accomplished pianist, liked to travel/vacation and spend time with her precious family and friends. If you ever had one of her home cooked meals, it was something that you would never forget.

Betty was a beloved mother and me-maw to her children and grandchildren. To all that called her a friend, she so dearly loved that life long relationship. She will always be remembered, as a special lady that always gave a tremendous amount of herself and did so without ever expecting anything in return.

She was a trusting child of God and her faith never wavered during life's afflictions and tribulations. She has touched and influenced so many

people's lives during her life and done so in a profound everlasting manner.

Our Heavenly savior has called his cherished servant home. No words can express how greatly missed she will be by those who knew and loved her. By her faith and the grace of God, she is now completely restored, smiling and walking beside her Lord Almighty.

Betty's parents and husband of 43 years, Rex Kinser, and little grandson, Jamie, preceded her in death.

Psalm 116:15
"Precious in the sight of the Lord is the death of his saints"

She is survived by four children, Dana Emfinger and husband, Bobby, of Eastland, Brenda Weldon of Azle, Dean Weldon of Azle, Andrew Kinser and wife, Michelle, of Stephenville; her dear sister, Dorothy Bundick of Fort Worth; grandchildren, Shane Morrow, Carey Stewart, Cori Owen, Misty Kemppainen, Josh Weldon, Kali Kinser, and Gabrielle Kinser; 11 great-grandchildren; and two step-children, Barbara Baker of Fort Worth and Margaret Atchley of Stephenville. Additionally, several nieces and nephews survive her.

Services are in care of White's Funeral Home Weatherford, 817-596-4811

Darrell Gene Files

GORMAN- Darrell Gene Files, age 57, formerly of Carbon, Texas passed away at his home in Gulfport, MS on Monday, November 16, 2009.

Services were held at 10:00 A. M. on Monday, November 23, 2009 at the Higginbotham Funeral Home Chapel with Bro. Barry Schahn officiating. Burial followed at Murray Cemetery.

Darrell was born in Kermit, Texas on February 16, 1952 to Clarence and Stella Files. He was a welder and loved to fish and hunt. He was a veteran having served in the United States Airforce.

He is survived by two sons, Thomas Gene Files and David Allen Files; one sister, Margie Files McCollum of El Paso and three grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents and two brothers, Waylon and Jimmy Files.

Orella Bell Callaway



Willie Monroe and Ocie Pearl (Burton) Arrington.

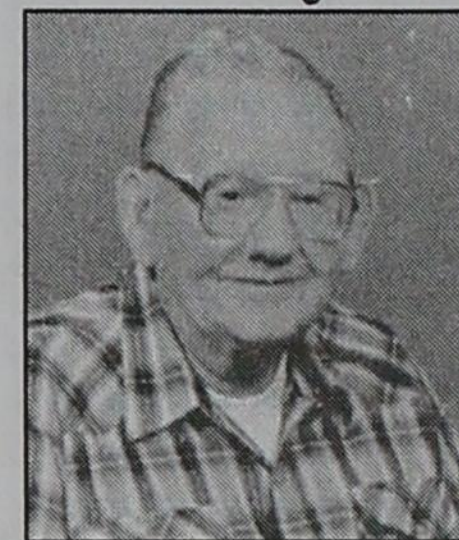
She married Harlon Hiram (Shorty) Callaway in Cisco on June 16, 1938, he preceded her in death on December 19, 2006. She was a member of First Baptist Church and worked at Boss Glove Manufacturing for 15 years. Orella was an avid Cisco Lobo fan.

She is survived by two daughters, Patsy Townsend and Betty Farley and husband Gene all of Cisco; son, Robert Monroe Callaway and wife Mary of Denison; brother, Eldred Dee Arrington and wife Betty Jo of Bridgeport, 9 grandchildren, 21 great grandchildren and 11 great great grandchildren. She was preceded in death by 2 brothers and 2 sisters.

Memorials may be made to West Texas Rehab or American Cancer Society.

Pallbearers were Gary Callaway, Joseph Townsend, Robert and William Farley, Travis Bundick and Jordon Glen.

Freddy Lee Pevehouse



at the funeral home on Tuesday from 6 to 8 p.m.

Freddy was born on May 3, 1930 in Tishomingo, Oklahoma to the late George and Irene (Cross) Pevehouse. He served in the Navy, was a former member of the React Club, Lions Club and was a member of the Olden Baptist Church. Freddy loved fishing and never met a stranger.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Birt Pevehouse and a granddaughter, April.

Freddy is survived by his daughters, Cathy Jentho and husband, Gist of Olden, Kim McLearen and husband, Robert of Houston and Teresa Hallum of Arkansas; grandchildren, Amanda, Ricky, Kayla, Sabra, Jordyn, Daniel and Hope; five great grandchildren and several nieces and nephews.

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Doris Evon Sowle

MOUNT PLEASANT- Doris Evon Sowle, 55, died Saturday, November 21, 2009 at Titus Regional Medical Center.

Services were held Wednesday, November 25, 2009 at 3 p.m. at the Bates-Cooper-Sloan Funeral Chapel. Bro. Chad Thompson officiated. Burial was in the Forest Lawn Memorial Park in Mount Pleasant. Visitation was held Tuesday, November 24, 2009 from 6 to 8 p.m. at Bates-Cooper-Sloan Funeral Home.

Doris was born March 1, 1954 in Lubbock, Texas to Grady R. Sproles and Bonnie Lee (Duncan) Sproles. She was a 911 Communicator at Camp County Sheriff Department.

Survivors are her husband, Michael Sowle of Mount Pleasant; son and daughter-in-law, Jason and Denise Pence of Daingerfield; daughter and son-in-law, Misty and Lee Ward of Linden, TX; Grandchildren, Layden Easley, Lauren Pence, Caleb Ward, Levi Ward, Ammon Ward, Jason Pence, Jr.; brothers, Grady Sproles of Cisco, Howard Sproles of Copper Hill, TN; sisters, Dorothy Webb of Cisco and Seba Ferguson of Slayton, TX.

She was preceded in death by her mother, Bonnie Lee (Duncan) Sproles and father, Grady R. Sproles.

Pallbearers were Dick Alexander, Randal Lain, Tim Baum, Jimmy Coleman, Jeff Ferguson, Edward Webb. Honorary pallbearers were Manuel Copeland, Tommy Flemming, Robbie Moore, Jason Graham, Ed Parr, Bradley Webb.

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Area Football Playoff Scores

Submitted by Russell Maynard

CISCO BEATS SAN SABA, 35-27.

MERKEL LOSES TO BRADY, 55-33.

COMANCHE LOSES TO HENRIETTA IN A CLOSE ONE, 37-36.

Gorman Lady Panthers Basketball

Submitted By: Rusty Maynard

The Lady Panthers have begun their basketball season and currently sit at 1-1. They won their first game by the score of 50-39. Jamie Johnston and Kimi Seaton were the leading scorers with 16 and 18 points respectively. Jamie Johnston finished her productive night adding 9 rebounds, 8 assists, and 5 steals to go along with her 16 points. Chelsa Griffin contributed with 4 assists and 3 steals.

The outcome of the 2nd

game wasn't as good as the Lady Panthers came up on the losing end by the score of 45-16. Kimi Seaton and Jaime Johnston would again lead the way in scoring with 9 and 4 points. Jamie would continue to fill up the stat sheet with 10 rebounds, 3 assists, and 3 steals. Kimi Seaton would also add 3 steals in the game. They will trael to Sidney on Tuesday, November 24th, and tip off is at 3:00. Find more Gorman Panthers and Lady Panthers info at my website, www.ecsports.net.

Eastland Maverick Basketball

Mavericks begin basketball season with 3 straight wins to take home the Championship in the Hico Boys Basketball Tournament that was held November 19th-21st. On Thursday, they beat Rio Vista by the score of 62-32 to advance to play Koppel on Friday. The result was another easy win by the score of 43-17 and gave them a spot in the Championship Game to take on the

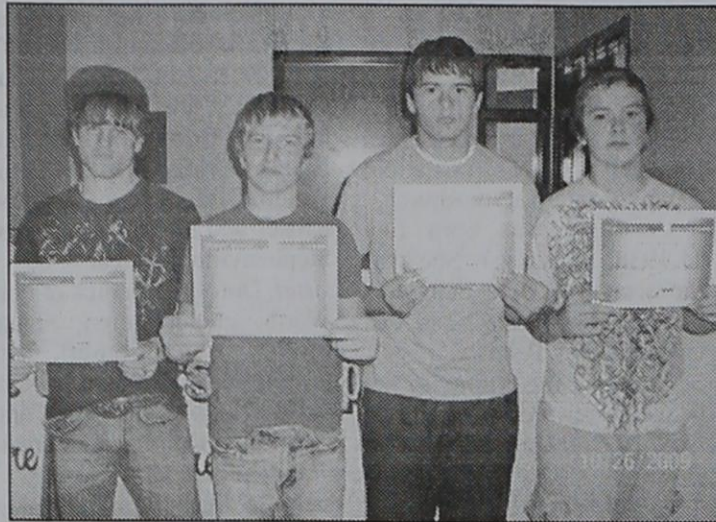
host, Hico Tigers, on Saturday. This proved to be another lopsided contest as the Mavericks completed the sweep of double-digit wins by beating Hico, 59-39. They will be in action this Tuesday, November 24th, against the Dublin Lions at the Marshall Complex. The JV boys will tip-off at 4:00 and the Varsity boys will tip-off at 8:00.

Upcoming Games

Regional Football Playoff Pairings:
Cisco will play Crane in San Angelo on Friday, November 27th, starting at 7:00 p.m.

Albany will play Muenster in Mineral Wells on Friday, November 27th, starting at 7:30 p.m.

Strawn will play Richland Springs in Early on Friday, November 27th, starting at 7:30 p.m.



Football--Eastland vs. Merkel Players of the Week are Merrick Brooks, Jeremy Finley, Grandle Thompson, and Drake Millican.

Lady Mavs Volleyball District Honors

Submitted by Russell Maynard

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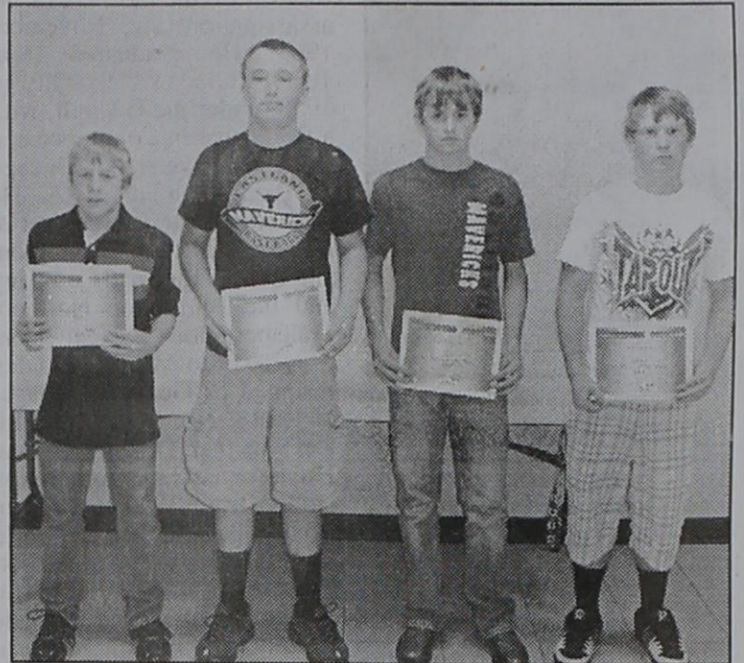
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Football--Eastland vs. Clyde Players of the Week are from left to right: Caleb Honea, Clay Brewer, Cole Carper, and Matt Herron.

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The Idle American

Commentary by Don Newbury

The Right Thing...
This arena is yet another one where I claim strictest amateur standing among millions of Americans who absorb full measure of "talk radio" daily.

My listening is typically limited to brief snippets abandoned every few seconds while scanning my car radio dial. Most of the hosts seem "all knowing."

I like the way one closes out conversations with her callers, though. Her name is Dr. Laura Schlessinger. She admonishes them to "go do

the right thing," stopping short of adding, "and sin no more..."

How noble! On this "right thing" business, some of us are almost persuaded to join up, not now, probably, but later, in the sweet by and by—not the nasty here and now.

Still, on the cusp of this festive season, we sense inward warmth akin to the ingestion of hot chocolate on the hearing of selfless acts of others to "give back."

Folks who "lock in" are spark-setters. Their

humanitarian acts fan fires that make us want to help with worthwhile causes that capture spirit, energy, enthusiasm and determination. Choruses of "Yes We Can" swell up when we tackle projects bigger than ourselves. As we consider the growing ranks of others in need, a sobering thought should occur: "There but by the grace of God go I..."

One such spark-setter is Jim Davidson of Conway, AR. He's an author/speaker/columnist whose passion is to tackle illiteracy. Grim facts gnaw at him, and they won't turn loose. He grimaces at the thought that four of every 10 students in American schools today will

not graduate, and that 32 million adults cannot read a simple sentence.

He's committed to throwing literacy lifelines to underprivileged children ages 3-5. He and his army of volunteers are providing each of them with personalized oak bookcases, as well as starter sets of books. Individuals, schools, clubs and agencies have come alongside of a program that is conducted entirely—and funded totally—by volunteers....

More than this, a website offers a "cookbook approach" that provides a working model for other communities. Check out: bookcaseforeverychild.com.

The program has garnered statewide media attention, and the Arkansas General Assembly has extended a resolution of commendation calling for adoption of this initiative state-wide.

The project includes many logical spin-offs, all of which underscore the blessings of giving back....

Do you, as a caring individual, church or civic club member, feel the spark? The fire burns brightly in Conway, where the project started four years ago.

It is working there, and it can work where you live.

As you'd expect, Conway has 100 or so in a core group of volunteers, and up to 3,000 others involved in numerous ways, including

donation of books, reading to children, assisting in building the bookcases and participating in Bookcase Literacy Banquets. Many of them are senior adults who'd rather wear out than rust out....

In the spirit of the season, recipients of this community-wide effort feel gifted. They'll likely be most grateful for their foundation in reading much later, in the sweet by and by. Right now, though, they are comforted, simply being in the presence of people who care.

Partners in the project feel gifted, too. It reminds me of the old United Way slogan: "Don't give till it hurts; give till it feels GOOD!"

Giving, indeed, feels good....

Poets have pumped out many "I am one" pieces. I like Edward Everett Hale's

version: "I am one. I am only one. I can't do everything, but I can do some things. And I will not let what I cannot do interfere with what I can do..."

Another rhyme, by late bullfighter Domingo Ortega, was a favorite of President John F. Kennedy. "Bullfight critics ranked in rows, crowd the enormous plaza full, but only one is there who really knows, and he's the man who fights the bull."

These are but words. Action is stronger. It is the season to give. If you feel the spark, do the right thing. The key of literacy unlocks the world....

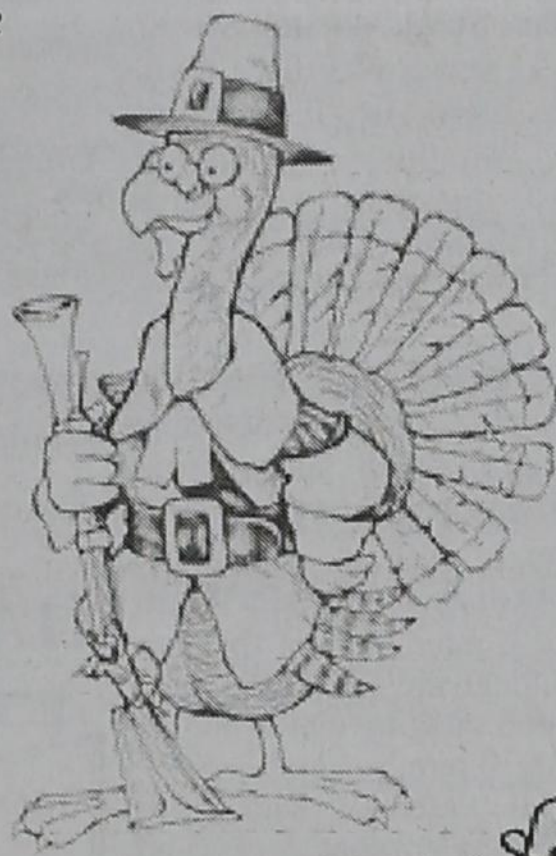
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Bubba's Deer Hunt

By J. B. Johnston
As most savvy Texans know, this is deer season. This is one time of the year Bubba anxiously awaits for. Not that he is fortunate enough to kill a deer every year, but the opportunity to fling lead at a few unfortunate deer that move just enough to get hit by one of his misguided missiles. Not that he isn't a good shot, because he isn't, but as he puts it, "He likes to give them a chance". Anyway his marksmanship isn't the reason for this article.

The other day, at the Dairy Queen, I asked how his hunting was going. That was a mistake. First of all, he started in on having to pay for a place to hunt, when he thought all wildlife belonged to the citizens of the state. After explaining that the land where the deer roamed didn't necessarily belong to the state, he settled down some and started another tirade on hunting gear.

Evidently, from what I could gather, with half the patrons of the establishment listening in, Bubba had stumbled upon some poacher from the big city on his lease. I said, "Bubba, I figure he just thought all the deer belonged to the citizens of the state". He then started to explain how it wasn't the fact that the guy was trespassing, but rather how he was hunting. Of course I had to ask just how.

He says this guy was sitting behind a bush no bigger than a sycamore sapling, and when I asked if he would spell that for me, he just blew it off. He proceeded to describe the man's hunting gear. From what I could gather, he had on blaze orange camouflage clothes, and was holding a rifle equipped with every type of electronic device known to man, which included a scope with a range finder, an illuminated reticle, a bullet drop compensator, and the kitchen sink. His rifle was big enough to kill an elephant, and with the most explosive bullets available. Around his neck he had half a dozen deer calls, and was covered with deer scent you could smell for a mile away. On the ground he had scattered several different types of deer food, including one called Deer Cane, supposedly like cocaine for deer. As you can imagine for a traditionalist like Bubba, this didn't set too well.

Bubba says if a man can't just go hunting in his old overalls, with a good 30/30, and take a deer without cheating, he doesn't need to be hunting. Anyway, that is the way Bubba does, except for one thing, and that is the taking of a deer. As Bubba ranted on, I began to see a pattern of underlying animosity. After serious consideration, I asked if this fellow had shot a deer. Sure enough the fellow had a nice 10 point on the ground, and was waiting for another. From what I could gather, Bubba had shot at this same 10 point the last two seasons. Bubba says he wasn't trying to kill the deer, but only wanted to make it more cautious so some city slicker wouldn't kill him. I figure it must have been a slow learner.

(The ex-Carbonite, up a tree)

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Pig Tales From Hogtown

The weather has been so wonderful! I hope you have been able to get out and enjoy it - we all know how quickly it can change.

Please remember that we will not have a dance on the second Friday of December because of the busy holiday season. We will pick up again on the second Friday in January. I had said that we would have a New Year's Eve dance - the band backed out on us! (This was not the Memory-Makers who backed out) But, we are still trying to find a band that will play - keep watching Pig Tales for news on that.

We have 2 big weekends coming up at the DAC. December 5th will be our usual first Saturday 'Breakfast at the DAC' from 7:00 A.M. until 10:00 A.M.

Also, that weekend and the following we will have our annual Christmas Store. The store will be open Thursday, December 3rd through Saturday, December

5th from 9:00 A.M. until 6:00 P.M. On December 5th, we will open at 7:00 because of the breakfast. Again the following weekend, the store will be open from Thursday, Dec. 10th until Saturday, Dec. 12th from 9:00 A.M. until 6:00 P.M. We will have lots of Christmas things to sell, small gifts and lots of baked goods. Come early to get those baked goods - they go fast and are wonderful to put in the freezer for Christmas. If you have been to the Christmas Store, you know how much fun we have! Hope to see you there!

Have a safe and very HAPPY THANKSGIVING!

See you in Desdemona!
Carol Pell

Veterans Support Group Meeting

A Veterans Support Group meeting will be held on Wednesday, Dec. 9, 2009 at the Old Gym in Ranger, located one block from Main St. on Marston St.

A service officer will be there to file claims for disability or answer any questions you have pertaining to VA.

There will be a short group meeting for the spouses, mothers, family members, friends, etc. of combat veterans who suffer from PTSD, beginning at 1:00 p.m.

A counselor from Ft. Worth Vet Center will be there to conduct the PTSD veterans group meeting which begins at 1:30 p.m.

All veterans who have been in combat areas and suffer from Post Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD) are welcome to attend.

Please bring your DD214 (discharge papers) with you if you haven't attended before.

Larry Monroe, Disabled American Veterans Public Affairs Officer Chapter 41

Students Participate In Music Recital

Seventeen area music students were presented in a recital on Sunday, November 15, at the First United Methodist Church in Eastland. The students were the 2009-2010 recipients of the Nancy Seaberry Frost Arts Endowment music study scholarships.

Four music teachers presented students in the recital: Laura Holleman of Cisco, Melissa Jackson of Eastland, David Luker of Comanche, and Susan Wester of Cisco and Weatherford.

Students who participated were Halie Herron,

Sam Gumfory, Katherine Robinett, Asya York, Cody Hutcheson, and Jamie Dye from the studio of Laura Holleman; Britton Hagan, Hallie Hagan, Connor Johnson, and Autumn Taylor from the studio of Melissa Jackson; Katherine Bean from the studio of David Luker; and Kirstyn White, Ashley Cazenby, Jennifer Castleberry, Allison Helm, Cavyn Smith, and Garret Hadley from the studio of Susan Wester.

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Buddy and JoAnn Notgrass of Carbon, Texas, celebrated 50 years of marriage with their friends and family on Saturday, November 14, 2009 at the Mangum Baptist Church. Buddy and JoAnn were married October 16, 1959, in Midland, Texas.

Helping them celebrate were their children, Kim and

Andy Swinney of Midland, Texas, and Kevin and Cindi Notgrass of Brownwood, Texas; grandchildren, Misty Billingsley, Jordan and Andrea Swinney, and Meaghan Wheeler; along with their great-grandchildren, Brooklyn and Brielle Swinney.

First Baptist To Host 3 On 3 Adult Basketball Tournament In Comanche

First Baptist Church of Comanche will be hosting a 3 on 3 basketball tournament Dec. 1-6. Divisions for the tournament include adult men's, adult women's, adult co-ed, and senior-over 40. Any person 18 or older who is not currently in high school may participate. Teams are composed of four people and will play half-court games.

All games will take place in the FBC Gym located at 407 N. Mary St. in Comanche. There is a \$40 per team registration fee and the tournament format is double elimination. Winners for the tournament will receive a

tournament T-shirt and all proceeds from the tournament and concession stand will go to students raising money to attend youth ministry events and mission trips in 2010.

FBC welcomes all churches, businesses and individuals to form teams and participate in this fun event. Teams can sign up online and find a complete list of rules as well as a schedule online at www.fbccomanche.com, in person at First Baptist Church 407 N. Houston, or by phone (325) 356-2051. Any questions can be directed to Chris Weaver, minister of youth and education.

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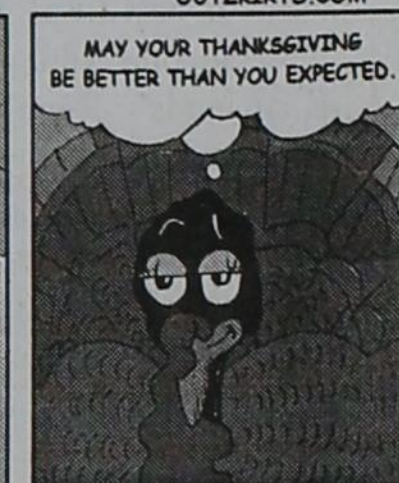
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Making Magical Holiday Memories At The Gaylord Texan Hotel For The Second Annual 1963 E.H.S. Girlfriends' Reunion

By Carol Walter Russell
Thirteen Eastland High School females from the Class of 1963 gathered at the Gaylord Texan Hotel in Grapevine, Texas on November 13-15, 2009 for their Second Annual E.H.S. Girlfriends' Reunion. Julie Frost Cochran, Wanda Arther Lambert, and Judy Lewis Scott planned an outstanding reunion again this year. In 2008, Judy Seaberry joined these three excellent planners to organize our first reunion in Wimberley, Texas, Judy Seaberry's hometown. We enjoyed reconnecting with each other so much in Wimberley that we met again this year in Grapevine.

The reunion participants from Texas were these: Shirley Smith Ables of Silsbee, Nora Jordan Black of Clyde, Julie Frost Cochran of Dallas, Wanda Arther Lambert of Frisco, Gwenda Moseley McCartney of Abilene, Becky McAlister Norris of Sanderson, Toni Horton Pryor of Gordonville, Glen-

da Moseley Ripley of Gorman, Carol Walter Russell of San Antonio, Judy Lewis Scott of Carrollton, Judy Seaberry of Wimberley, and Mary Craven Warford of Eastland. Laverne Hensley Porterfield is the only reunion participant who lives outside Texas in her hometown of Hope, Arkansas.

We liked walking around the Gaylord Texan Hotel's beautiful Christmas decorations with 1.5 million holiday lights, 10,000 ornaments, a life-size gingerbread house, and a 50 foot rotating Christmas tree in their atrium. The hotel also has several moving electric trains with one train even traveling on top of a giant guitar.

We enjoyed looking at our E.H.S. annuals together and remembering our fun high school days as well as learning about current family and grandchildren. We have all heard the Beatles sing "When I'm 64," and we are moving into our 65th year and sharing Medicare infor-

mation now.

We are thrilled to learn that Wanda Arther Lambert and her husband Ken have now visited all the continents except Australia which they plan to visit soon. This year they traveled to South America and Antarctica, and Ken, an outstanding photographer, compiled a beautifully bound book of their travel pictures. We all enjoyed vicariously traveling with Wanda and Ken to South America and Antarctica.

Saturday was a busy day of seeing the ICE exhibit and attending a Mystery Dinner Theater. Saturday morning we donned heavy parkas provided to view in 9 degree temperature the ICE attraction featuring carved ice figures from Dr. Seuss' *How the Grinch Stole Christmas!* and the Nativity. The best part of the exhibit is the life size Nativity figures carved out of ice. The ICE exhibit features 2 million pounds of handcarved ice. Saturday night our group attended a Mystery Dinner Theater, and our very intelligent group was able to figure out who was the guilty character.

Several are retired teachers, but a few are still working. Becky McAlister Norris still teaches middle school math part time and serves as the Director of UIL Academics in Sanderson. Laverne Hensley Porterfield continues to work as an accountant and controller for Hope Agri Products in Hope, Arkansas as she has for the past 25 years. Glenda Moseley Ripley runs a farm in Gorman, and her twin sister Gwenda Moseley McCartney works for Tommy Milliorn Real Estate in Abilene as she has for the past 23 years. Toni Horton Pryor owns and operates Longhorn Ranch Store and Grill in Whitesboro, Texas. Check out what she sells at longhornranchgeneralstore.com. She could only stay one night of our reunion because she needed to return to the restaurant to manage a wedding reception Saturday night.

We were delighted to have two new class members, Nora Jordan Black and Toni Horton Pryor, join the group this year. Next year we hope other girls from our class will want to join us as well. We look forward to joining the members of the Class of 1963 Reunion for the June, 2010.

Ranger Christmas Parade December 4

Ranger Historical Preservation Society Presents The Fourteenth Annual Night ~ Time Lighted Christmas Parade 6:00 Friday Evening, December 4, 2009 Downtown Main Street Ranger, Texas Theme ~ "Old Fashion Christmas"

This year's parade featuring Hardin-Simmons University Six White Horses and Cowboy Band, will begin at the park at the end of West Main Street, proceed down Main Street to end at the Roaring Ranger Museum. The HSU Cowboy Band will perform at the Gazebo in Ranger's Texas Ranger Park immediately following the Parade.

This is a night-time parade. ALL entries must have some type lights (Walking groups, Bands, etc. may have lights on hats or clothing.)

Lineup at the Swimming Pool Park area will begin @ 5:00 P.M., and entries need to be in place by 5:30 P.M. for Judging. Awards will be given from the review stand. It is our wish to make each year's parade bigger and better. Your entry will help make the 2009 Christmas Parade a successful event for all!! PLEASE DO NOT INCLUDE SANTA in your entry.. Young and old alike will wait and watch in anticipation for the Ranger Volunteer Fire Department's big red fire engine that will bring the One Santa Claus down Main Street. Remember Santa will visit with the children, hear their wishes and give them a bag of goodies.

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In order to prepare lineup positions and assign participant numbers, ALL ENTRY FORMS MUST BE RECEIVED NO LATER THEN TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 24, 2009 at Ranger Historical Preservation Society, P.O. Box 320, Ranger, Texas 76470, or forms may be faxed to 2554-647-3824 or emailed to rhaps@txol.net. All entries received by this date will be mailed a map including their entry number and lineup position. Need more info? Call 254-647-3340, leave message for return call.

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Books Are Fun

by Kelly Davidson
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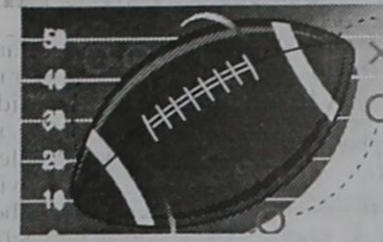
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MAVERICKS LOBOES BULLDOGS PANTHERS WILDCATS Eastland County Sports

Junior High Boys Teams Sweep Hawley To Start Their Seasons 1-0

By: Rusty Maynard

With just a few days of practice after finishing up the football season, the 7th and 8th grade teams had to get geared up to start the basketball season against district foes, the Hawley Bearcats. All 4 teams looked impressive as the 7th grade B team started the string of wins with their final score of 18-10. Scorers for the game were Billy Dean Tedford with 6, Caleb Honea with 4, Matthew Perrin with 1, and Conner Johnson with 7. The 7th grade A team had no trouble with the Hawley as they blew out the Bearcats by the score of 42-6. The quickness and height of the Dogies gave the Bearcats problems the whole game. Scorers for the 7th grade A team were Matthew Majors with 6, Jeremiah Earle with 2, Nick Storm with 10, Nick Zavala with 14, Braeden Blackwell with 2, Grandle Thompson with 3,

and Kinley Lee with 5. The 8th grade B team got several contribution on their way to beating the Bearcats 30-16. Scorers for the game were Cruz with 8, Ryan Harris with 8, Tyler Adams with 4, Christopher Howard with 6, Josh Hallmark with 2, and Joseph Woodall with 2. To cap off the sweep, the 8th grade A team had to take on a Bearcat team that put up a great battle that would always end in a great game. The unselfish play and second chance points proved to be the determining factor in the A team coming out with the win by the final score of 41-31. Scorers for the game were Josh Moylan with 6, Ryan Vernon with 2, Jeremy Finley with 8, Trevor Twitchell with 12, Clay Brewer with 6, and Mason Thayer with 13. To see more info. of your favorite Eastland County teams, go to my website at www.ecs-ports.net.

Ranger College

2009-10 Men's Basketball
Head Coach-Rodney "Mac" McConnell
Assistant Coach- Eli Davis

Sat	Oct 10	Mitchell/Mullens Pre-Season Classic Scrimmages	Dallas, TX	TBA	3-0
Sat	Oct 24	Scrimmage vs Tyler JC & Odessa	Weatherford, TX	TBA	
Tue	Nov 3	Dyess AFB	Home	7:30 pm	
Fri	Nov 6	Tyler Classic vs. SFA JV	Away	TBA	
Sat	Nov 7	Tyler Classic vs. Southern	Away	TBA	
Wed	Nov 11	Trinity Valley	Home	7:00 pm	
Fri	Nov 13	Kilgore Classic vs Bossier Parish	Away	5:00 pm	
Sat	Nov 14	Kilgore Classic vs Kilgore CC	Away	7:00 pm	
Tue	Nov 17	New Mexico	Home	7:00 pm	
Thur	Nov 19	Angelina College	Home	6:00 pm	
Sat	Nov 21	B.F.C Pro Sports Group	Home	4:00 pm	
Fri	Nov 27	Coca Cola/Guy Davis Thanksgiving Classic vs. Lon Morris CC	Lufkin, TX	2:00 pm	
Sat	Nov 28	Coca Cola/Guy Davis Thanksgiving Classic vs. Jacksonville College	Lufkin, TX	2:00 pm	
Tue	Dec 1	International Sports Fed.	Home	8:00 pm	
Sat	Dec 5	El Centro College	Home	4:00 pm	
Thur	Dec 10	New Mexico	Away	7:00 pm	
Sat	Dec 12	Trinity Valley	Away	7:00 pm	
Sat	Jan 2	D&D Sports Fed	Home	TBA	
Wed	Jan 6	REGION V CONFERENCE	Bye:		
Sat	Jan 9	Hill CC*	Home	4:00 pm	
Wed	Jan 13	Temple College*	Away	7:00 pm	
Sat	Jan 16	McClennan CC*	Home	4:00 pm	
Mon	Jan 18	Weatherford CC*	Away	7:00 pm	
Wed	Jan 20	Collin CC*	Home	7:00 pm	
Sat	Jan 23	Grayson CC*	Away	7:00 pm	
Sat	Jan 30	Southwestern CC*	Away	4:00 pm	
Wed	Feb 6	Hill CC*	Away	7:00 pm	
Wed	Feb 10	Temple College*	Home	7:00 pm	
Sat	Feb 13	McClennan CC*	Away	4:00 pm	
Mon	Feb 15	Weatherford College*	Home	7:00 pm	
Wed	Feb 17	Collin CC*	Away	7:00 pm	
Wed	Feb 20	Grayson CC*	Home	7:00 pm	
Sat	Feb 27	Southwestern CC*	Home	4:00 pm	
Sat	March 6-9	Region V Tournament	Lubbock, TX	TBA	

Home= 15 Away=10 Neutral= 5 Total= 30 Scrimmages= 2

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Trevor Honea leaps for a touchdown.

Photo by Gary Stennett

Loboes Win Area In Football

By Richard Kurklin

In the class 2A, Division II, Area Championship high school football game played last Friday in Early, the Cisco Lobo defense came through with goal line stands and some good pass defense to beat the San Saba Armadillos 35 to 27.

By moving large tackle Anthony Salinas into the backfield and using a teenage giant to replace him at left tackle, the Armadillos had developed a power running game to add to their ground game, which worked quite well. San Saba was greatly improved since midseason. The Armadillos size reminded us of a giant armadillo who was said to be a threat to trucks hauling a certain advertised product in the Lone Star State.

The victory celebration was short for the Loboes, who also showed improvement, as th win was very costly in injuries to the Loboes. Starting senior defensive ends Bradley Toler and Trevor Honea, who San Saba Coach Jeff Pannell reportedly voiced concern about stopping, were stopped by injuries and may be lost for the season. They also alternated at fullback. Coach Brent West is now looking for players to step up and fill both the fullback and defensive end positions.

Cisco took the kickoff for a first down. Toler and Tanner Garcia ran, Garcia passed to Ryan Draper for a first and ran 17 yards for another. Honea ran 6 yards for a touchdown and kicked

the point.

San Saba tried to run and punted. Hastings and Honea ran, and Hastings ran for a first. But the Loboes fumbled. The Lobo defense stopped the Armadillos dead in their tracks and they punted. Hastings ran, and ran 52 yards for a touchdown. Honea kicked the point.

The Armadillos returned the kickoff to the 4 yard line. They finally scored on a 1 yard run and kicked the point. With Cisco leading 14 to 7 at the quarter, Honea ran and Cisco punted.

San Saba passed and ran for a first, and ran long for another. They passed for a first, ran in a touchdown, and kicked the point. Cisco punted, and San Saba ran and punted.

Hastings ran for a first, Garcia passed to Donnie Toof for 18 yards and a first, and Cisco punted. San Saba fumbled. Hastings ran and Garcia passed to Colton Conger for a first. Garcia ran 18 yards for a touchdown and Honea kicked the point, Cisco lead 21 to 14 at the half.

Driving, San Saba ran for a four firsts, ran a yard for a touchdown, and kicked the point to tie the game.

Hastings had a long kick

return, and Honea ran. Hastings ran 37 yards for a first and Honea ran in the touchdown. Garcia kicked the point. San Saba ran for a first, and ran long for a touchdown. They failed to kick the point. Hastings ran, but the Armadillos intercepted a Lobo pass.

San Saba ran for two firsts with Cisco leading 28 to 27 at the quarter. The Lobo defense was tough, and the ball went over on downs to Cisco. Hastings ran and Cisco punted. San Saba ran for a first, and the ball went over.

Garcia ran 33 yards for a first and Hastings ran. The ball went back to the Armadillos, but Isaac Hamilton intercepted a pass. Hastings ran and Jesse Rodriguez ran 48 yards for a touchdown. Garcia kicked the point.

Hastings intercepted a pass, he and Garcia ran for a first, and Garcia took a knee. It was Cisco 35, San Saba 27.

The Loboes will play Crane in San Angelo Friday for the Regional Championship. Cisco will be the home team.

Go Loboes!!!

Cisco College Lady Wranglers Basketball Schedule

Date	Time	Opponent
10/10/2009	9:30 AM	Dave Neely Scrimmage
10/17/2009		Super Scrimmage
10/17/2009		FPC Scrimmage
10/26/2009	3:00 PM	Midwestern Scrimmage
11/2/2009	5:00 AM	Lubbock Christian University JV
11/3/2009	5:00 PM	Wayland Baptist JV
11/7/2009	2:00 PM	Southwest Texas JC
11/12/2009	2:00 PM	Paris
11/13/2009		Murray State Classic
11/14/2009		Murray State Classic
11/17/2009	6:00 PM	New Mexico JC
11/18/2009	6:00 PM	McMurry JV
11/20/2009	7:00 PM	Western TX College
12/2/2009	5:30 PM	Clarendon
12/5/2009	2:00 PM	Southwest Texas JC
1/1/2010	1:00 PM	Clarendon
1/2/2010		New Mexico JC
1/5/2010	3:00 PM	Midland
1/6/2010	6:00 PM	Ranger
1/9/2010	2:00 PM	McLennan
1/13/2010	6:00 PM	SW Christian
1/16/2010	2:00 PM	Collin County
1/20/2010	6:00 PM	Grayson
1/23/2010	2:00 PM	Temple
1/27/2010	5:30 PM	Hill
1/30/2010	2:00 PM	Weatherford
2/3/2010	5:30 PM	Ranger
2/6/2010	2:00 PM	McLennan
2/10/2010	3:00 PM	SW Christian
2/13/2010	2:00 PM	Collin County
2/17/2010	5:30 PM	Grayson
2/20/2010	2:00 PM	Temple
2/24/2010	6:00 PM	Hill
2/27/2010	2:00 PM	Weatherford
3/6/2010		Region V Tourney

Lady Ranger Basketball Schedule

DATE	PLACE	TIME	OPPONENT
Oct. 10	Garland, TX	TBA	Super Scrimmage
Oct. 17	Carrollton, TX	TBA	JUCO Jamboree
Nov. 3	Odessa, TX	5:30 PM	Odessa College
Nov. 6	Clarendon, TX	2:00 PM	Frank Phillips
Nov. 7	Clarendon, TX	4:00 PM	Clarendon
Nov. 10	Ranger, TX	5:00 PM	Western Oklahoma
Nov. 12 - 14	Tyler, TX	TBA	Tyler Classic
Nov. 17	Ranger, TX	5:00 PM	Tyler Junior College
Nov. 21	Ranger, TX	2:00 PM	Odessa College
Nov. 28	Ranger, TX	2 PM	Western Texas College
Dec. 5	Snyder, TX	2:00 PM	Western Texas College
Dec. 7	Altus, OK	5:00 PM	Western Oklahoma
Jan. 1 & 2	Kilgore, TX	TBA	Kilgore Classic
Jan. 6	Cisco, TX	5:30 PM	Cisco
Jan. 9	Ranger, TX	2:00 PM	Hill
Jan. 13	Temple, TX	5:30 PM	Temple
Jan. 16	Ranger, TX	2:00 PM	McLennan
Jan. 18	Weatherford, TX	5:30 PM	Weatherford
Jan. 20	Ranger, TX	5:30 PM	Collin
Jan. 23	Grayson, TX	2:00 PM	Grayson
Jan. 30	Terrell, TX	2:00 PM	SWCC
Feb. 3	Ranger, TX	5:30 PM	Cisco
Feb. 6	Hillsboro, TX	2:00 PM	Hill
Feb. 10	Ranger, TX	5:30 PM	Temple
Feb. 13	Waco, TX	2:00 PM	McLennan
Feb. 15	Ranger, TX	5:30 PM	Weatherford
Feb. 17	Plano, TX	5:30 PM	Collin
Feb. 20	Ranger, TX	2:00 PM	Grayson
Feb. 27	Ranger, TX	2:00 PM	SWCC

Eastland Lady Mavs Basketball 2009-2010

Date:	Opponent:	Place:	Team:	Time:
10/31	Breckenridge Scrimmage	Breckenridge	FJVJ	9:00
11/3	Ballinger Scrimmage	Eastland	FJVJ	5:00
11/10	Big Spring	Merkel	FJVJ	4:00, 5:00, 6:30
11/14	Strawn	Eastland	V	11:00
11/14	Albany tournament	Albany	FJV	TBA
11/17	Gordon	Eastland	JVV	6:00, 7:30
11/19&21	Abilene High	Abilene	F	TBA
11/19-21	Hico tournament	Hico	JVV	TBA
11/23	Millsap	Millsap	FJVJ	4:00, 5:00, 6:30
11/24	Dublin	Eastland	JVFV	4:00, 5:00, 6:30
12/1	Comanche	Comanche	FJVJ	4:00, 5:00, 6:30
12/3-5	Dublin Tournament	Dublin	V	TBA
12/8	Breckenridge	Eastland	JVFV	4:00, 5:00, 6:30
12/11	Summit Christian	Cedar Park	V	6:00
12/10-12	Dublin Tournament	Dublin	JV	TBA
12/14	Ranger	Eastland	F	7:30
12/18	Jim Neel	Jim Neel	JVFV	4:00, 5:00, 6:30
12/28-30	Eula Tournament	Eula	V	TBA
1/5	Goldthwaite	Goldthwaite	JVV	4:00, 6:30
1/8	*Hawley	Hawley	JVFV	4:00, 5:00, 6:30
1/9	Eastland Tournament	Eastland	F	TBA
1/12	*Anson	Anson	JVV	4:00, 5:00, 6:30
1/15	*Merkel	Eastland	JVFV	4:00, 5:00, 6:30
1/18	Albany	Albany	F	5:30
1/19	*Cisco	Cisco	JVFV	4:00, 5:00, 6:30
1/22	*Clyde	Eastland	JVFV	4:00, 5:00, 6:30
1/26	*Hawley	Eastland	JVFV	4:00, 5:00, 6:30
1/29	*Anson	Eastland	JVV	4:00, 5:00, 6:30
2/1	Albany	Eastland	F	7:00
2/2	*Merkel	Merkel	JVFV	4:00, 5:00, 6:30
2/5	*Cisco	Eastland	JVFV	4:00, 5:00, 6:30
2/9	*Clyde	Clyde	JVFV	5:00, 7:30, 8:00

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- 1/4 cup granulated sugar
- 3 (8 ounce) packages cream cheese
- 1 cup granulated sugar
- 1/4 cup packed light brown sugar
- 2 large eggs
- 1 (15 ounce) can 100% Pure Pumpkin
- 2/3 cup Evaporated Milk
- 2 tablespoons cornstarch
- 1 1/4 teaspoons ground cinnamon
- 1/2 teaspoon ground nutmeg
- 1 (16 ounce) container sour cream
- 1/3 cup granulated sugar
- 1 teaspoon vanilla extract

up side of ungreased 9-inch springform pan. Bake for 6 to 8 minutes (do not allow to brown). Cool on wire rack for 10 minutes.

BEAT cream cheese, granulated sugar and brown sugar in large mixer bowl until fluffy. Beat in eggs, pumpkin and evaporated milk. Add cornstarch, cinnamon and nutmeg; beat well. Pour into crust.

BAKE for 55 to 60 minutes or until edge is set but center still moves slightly.

COMBINE sour cream, granulated sugar and vanilla extract in small bowl; mix well. Spread over surface of warm cheesecake. Bake for 5 minutes. Cool on wire rack. Refrigerate for several hours or overnight. Remove side of springform pan.

COMBINE graham cracker crumbs, butter and granulated sugar in medium bowl. Press onto bottom and 1 inch

Pumpkin Pie Squares

- 1/2 cup butter, softened
- 1/2 cup brown sugar
- 1 cup all-purpose flour
- 1/2 cup rolled oats
- 2 eggs
- 3/4 cup white sugar
- 1 (15 ounce) can pumpkin
- 1 (12 fluid ounce) can evaporated milk
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 1 teaspoon ground cinnamon
- 1/2 teaspoon ground ginger
- 1/4 teaspoon ground cloves

Preheat oven to 350 degrees F (175 degrees C).

In a medium bowl, cream together butter and brown sugar. Mix in flour. Fold in oats. Press into a 9x13 inch baking dish.

Bake in preheated oven 15 minutes, until set.

In a large bowl, beat eggs with white sugar. Beat in pumpkin and evaporated milk. Mix in salt, cinnamon, ginger and cloves. Pour over baked crust.

Bake in preheated oven 20 minutes, until set. Let cool before cutting into squares.

Eastland Memorial Volunteers Open House December 3rd

By Kelly Davidson

Come see what we are all about!

On Thursday, December 3rd from 5:30p.m. until 7:00p.m. the Eastland Memorial Hospital Volunteers are having

a 'come and go' Open House in the new EMH Boardroom next door to the SunShine Gift Shoppe.

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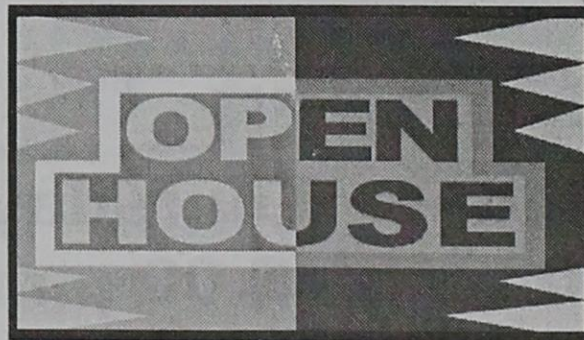
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Rising Star Senior Citizens News

By Betty Fisher

Wow!!!!!! Sixty-four today for lunch, and it looked as if all were hungry! Very little left over, but someone took care of that. To our guests, we are glad you came and hope you enjoyed it.

Today was also a regular 'Third Thursday Birthday' event, and for the second time recently, there were no birthday people present. The regular Rising Star Nursing Center birthday gift went back with Johnnie Elliott and other regulars who were also present. There also was another lovely arrangement from Hardwick Florist. This morning I returned to the den and found a beautiful Thanksgiving table decoration on the floor in front of the door. I looked for a card, and found nothing. Well, bless my heart, when I got to Seniors, Johnnie

Elliott asked if I had found my gift! I was so pleased! Thank you, thank you, Rising Star Nursing Center, for my gift, and for your regular gift, and for the blood pressures and blood sugars you take. It is a gift we each treasure.

My old friend, Elle Stephenson [sorry Elle, think you have remarried], came in with Linda Canales and her betrothed, Arnold Roietch, had another Arnold with them today. Mr. Roietch is Arnold's dad, and came here from De Leon. He lived near the pecan orchard right there about the Sabanno River. Linda was excited because Elle had bought Bride's book, Guest's Book, etc. for the wedding. Just think! A Senior Citizen Wedding right here at the center. Of course neither Linda nor Arnold is nowhere as old as some of us. Like me, for instance! [Or I].

Delia Bonner told me she

was going to Big Spring for Thanksgiving. Our family is again having our get-together at the May Methodist Church. When I was a child, my family was the Clark/Joyce bunch so then we were always together. Then I married into the Fisher/Lee group and the group actually got larger. I love you guys, if you are reading this. What I was doing, I was bragging!

Thelma Gilliland feeling well enough to come today. She reported daughter Judy Johnson finally got the Star Pride Quilt delivered to cousin Jeannie Anderson. Jeannie was so proud of it she wrote to Star Pride and told them she would like to have a picture of the Twinkle City Quilters. Barbara Medley told the group she could handle that!

Our friend June Stone is recuperating from knee surgery. Get well soon, June. We miss you and Lee being at Seniors. Tom was here today, and as always he was a great help. He also helped Jim return folding chairs to the church. Yes, our crowd today was so large, we had to get extra chairs. My pastor, Brother Terry Simmons and his wife, Trish, were a little late getting here, they had been to see their children play basketball in Cross Plains. They sitting on the piano bench!

Maria told me she got to watch the Leonid Meteor Shower the other evening, and it was spectacular. I knew about it, and because I could see a little of the SW Quadrant of the sky, I sat up and watched for a 'Falling Star' myself. I wasn't so lucky as to see one of same.

Irene Sullivan was telling me she and daughter Judy Hennis, with Judy's daughter Jennie, and Jennie's daughter Judy, set out the other day to see Irene's son Ronnie in CO. Ronnie told them there was a little snow falling, but he

didn't think it would amount to anything. So the group got in the car and made it to Plainview where they received another call from Ronnie. He now had 19" of snow on the ground! Incidentally, Ronnie has retired. The enterprising travelers turned around and came home.

I had invited daughter, Bev, and her husband Mike Stewart for lunch, but they couldn't come. They will come tonight and eat sandwiches instead of Thanksgiving dinner. Mike is anxious to see if we are taking good care of Sister. The answer is yes, black kitten still has big Kitty Babe cowed, and usually under the bed!

Ginger is going to Lawton OK for three days to see sister Maurine. Maurine is 90 1/2 years by the calendar. Then Ginger will have to hurry home to have Thanksgiving lunch with Brother Alvie! She will return home by way of Krum, TX, to see a cousin and nephew. Drive carefully, Ginger!

Did I say we had a wonderful lunch today? It was so good someone was asking for a recipe for a Strawberry Pretzel Delight before I left the building. It happened Jennie Scoville had made it. Lottie May Jones submitted the same recipe in an earlier cookbook. Anyway, here it is in Jennie's own words: "Strawberry / Pretzel Salad. Crust: crush 1 1/2 cups Pretzels. Add 1/2 cup sugar, 1/2 cup melted margarine. Combine and press it into 9X13 glass baking dish. Bake at 250* for about 10 minutes.

Soften 8 oz. cream cheese
1 tub Cool Whip
1 cup sugar

Beat together. Spread over cooled crust.

Pour 2 cups hot water over 1 lge. [6 oz] pkg of Strawberry Jello. Stir until all Jello is dissolved. Add pkg. of frozen Strawberries, stir until strawberries are all thawed. It will start the Jello to start thickening. Spread over the cream cheese layer, and refrigerate."

The Demolition gang was at work on the old Watkins building across the street. Remember I told you it was to be torn down and a city park would be designed there by Star Pride. By the time we had each left the Higginbotham Center, it was done. All but the clearing away, and the was a large machine there making tiny pieces of the litter. Members of Star Pride spent 2 days this week refurbishing the old Rising Star Christmas Street Ornaments. There were four of them on display today as we entered the building. They are now glowing with brilliant LED lights!

Ramona's guests are gone, but she did not hand me any notes. So God Bless and Keep you, have a Happy Thanksgiving, and we shall see you again in about two weeks.

"A little rebellion now and then is a medicine necessary for the sound health of government."

-----Jefferson, Letter to Madison

Benefit For Mary Harmon December 6

Mary Jean (Benson) Harmon, daughter of Mary Ann Underwood, suffered a stroke on Thursday, November 12th. Mary is the wife of Billy Harmon and mother of Shawnah Bass and Matthew Harmon. Her condition is very serious but stable.

Mary is in ICU at Wyoming Memorial Hospital in Casper, Wyoming. She has a long road to recovery ahead but is beginning to show signs of progress. Her doctor has discontinued the respirator but will need to do another drain to relieve pressure and prevent swelling of the brain.

If anyone would like to send a card of encouragement, the address is: Mary Harmon c/o Wyoming Memorial Hospital, 1233 Second St., Casper, WY. 82601.

There will be a benefit to help with medical expenses at Cook's Fish Barn Sunday, December 6th. From 11 a.m. until whenever people stop coming. The family appreciates all the prayers and phone calls made to inquire of Mary's progress.

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- \$27,500 - LOTS 11 Lots in subdivision with great views. These lots are different sizes and have city utilities. They will be sold as a package.
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- Strawn - \$42,500 - 1 1/2 frame home. Metal roof, new counter tops in kitchen, new storm windows, bathroom fixtures updated. Above ground pool. Guest house. Several lots.
- HOMES WITH ACREAGE
- \$295,000 - Approx. 50 acres with 3/2 frame home. Approx. 10 acre lake stocked with bass, crappie, catfish. Remainder of property is covered with various trees including large oak trees.
- \$150,000 - 2/1 frame home with siding on 3.81 acres. CH/A, very nice kitchen, den, formal LR, large master bedroom, lots of closets, small apartment in back, two large metal barns with closed in breezeway in between. Corral, great location S. of Eastland.
- \$150,000 - 3 BR, 2 bath frame w/cedar siding. Open concept, kitchen, dining room, wood burning stove, 19 acres, home is 2 years old. Fishing pond, 14 pecan trees. Water well.
- \$240,000 - 3/2 rock home on 6 acres. Garage and 2 car carport, corral, cattle shed, large metal building w/2 drive doors. Large metal shed. One story pond. Water well.
- \$250,000 - 3/2 brick home. Approx. 5 years old. Sprinkler system, water well, garden spot. In Ranger off 571.
- \$310,000 - Approx. 50 acres with 2 BR, 1 bath totally remodeled house, wood floors, central heat/air, ceiling fans, bars, workshop, cellar, new pump-house, all with electricity. Perfect weekend getaway or hunting property.
- \$315,000 - Feel at home in the country in this 3/3 frame home with

- a jacuzzi great room, large metal carpet that will house 2 motor homes, 4 cars, 12 acres with large pond. Survey available. Very scenic.
- \$400,000 - 3 BR, 2 bath brick home. Approx. 4100 sq. ft. Built in 1980s. Rugged 100 acres, great hunting. Private setting.
- \$499,900 - GREATLY REDUCED! BRING US AN OFFER - Very nice brick home on 134.69 acres. Located only 1 1/2 hours from Fort Worth. Home is located on a hill and has a very beautiful view of the country. The home has a covered patio and courtyard with an extra building that could be used as a playhouse. There is also a large metal building or workshop or game room. It has electricity and is situated for plumbing. The property is excellent deer hunting and has 3 tanks with one stocked with bass and catfish. There is some coastal bermudagrass in the back of the property. This would be a great horse, cattle or hunting place.
- \$1.2M - Approx. 10 to 200 acres with a 4800 + sq. ft. brick home. Covered patio, courtyard, servant quarters, 100 by 100 barn, Workshop, two studios and much more. Acreage includes good soil, coastal bermuda, 15 acre lake and ponds. Owner financing and lease options available.
- ACREAGE
- Reduced to \$590,000 Nothing Like This!!! 200 acres of well established Coastal and Tifton with two large ponds. Irrigation equipment and electricity. Water available. Great front view would make excellent homestead. Located on 2526, call for details!
- \$480,000 - Approx. 160 acres coastal grass, 2 stock ponds, water well, working pens. Will own finance.
- \$394,350 - Approx. 101.45 acres, all coastal grass, 3 water wells, irrigation equip. goes. Near Carbon.
- \$1,358,000 - Approx. 560 acres, 92 acres of cultivation. Good for livestock or hunting. Lots of hog, 4 ponds, community water, rolling elevation. Access from I-20 and FM 2945.
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- \$621,000 - Approx. 270 acres, 1/2 mile of paved road frontage. Versatile hunting or grazing. Ponds are stocked with fish. Morton Valley water supply membership paid. Scattered trees.
- \$552,000 - Approx. 240 acres. Coastal grass and improved pasture on 65 acres. Excellent hunting in this area. Access to city water. County road fronts two sides.
- \$517,000 - Approx. 225 acres. County Road frontage. Over half of the property is heavily wooded.
- \$282,500 - Approx. 113 acres, 30 acres is wooded at back side. Balance is improved coastal. Located on Hwy. 2731, Off of Hwy. 183.
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Desdemona News

By Vonnie Guthery

Desdemona monthly musical will be held on Saturday, November 28th at the Community Center (former school building). Concession stand opens at 5:30 p.m. serving sandwiches, homemade pie and drinks. Come early to enjoy supper with all the group before the music program begins at 6 p.m. There will be country and western music with some bluegrass and gospel included. All area musicians, singers and visitors are invited to attend. This is a "Smoke Free" environment and the admission is "Free".

Humpy and Betty Duke hosted an early Thanksgiving dinner for their family on Sunday. Those attending were Rodney and Debbie Duke of Pantego, John and Ronda (Duke) James and daughter, Emily of Whitney, Scott and Risa (Duke) Ashley and daughter, Lauren of Midlothian, Brandon

and Daydra Ashley and son, Dylan of Midlothian, Katie Duke of Early, Rusty and Samantha Duke and daughter, Cadence of Desdemona.

Robert Alton Brown of Fort Worth visited on Wednesday with his parents, Robert and Ima Brown.

Please contact this reporter with your weekly news. Your help will be appreciated. This news article is written each Sunday night and delivered by noon each Monday morning.

"Happy Thanksgiving" to our friends and neighbors from Pug and Vonnie Guthery.



Writers Club Meeting December 1

The Cisco Writers Club will hold a meeting on Tuesday, Dec. 1 in the American State Bank Community Room, Cisco. It will begin at 7 p.m. with Dr. Duane Hale, Club President, in charge.

Patrick Ready, Program Chairman, will open the program with a session on the monthly writing exercises. Writers who have been working on these are asked to bring their latest material so it can be read. The program will also deal

with the end of year 2009 and the opening of the New Year. Patrick and others will discuss special programs they would like to have in 2010.

All in this area who like to write are invited to come out to this meeting. The exchange of ideas, the educational material presented - all will be interesting and helpful. So brighten up your winter evening and your writing skills on Dec. 1.

Thanksgiving Meal Wednesday In Ranger

No where to go for Thanksgiving dinner? You are invited to come enjoy a meal with all the trimmings Wednesday, Nov. 25th at 221 N. Oak in Ranger from 4:30 to 7 p.m. We want to serve you.

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If you are interested in ringing the bell for a one hour shift, call Donald Hughes at 629-3477.

First Annual Ranger Christmas Bazaar To Be Held December 4

Ranger's Citizens Task Force will be throwing the first ever Ranger Christmas Bazaar on December 4. The event will be held downtown and begin at 3:00 PM and end at 8:00 PM. The price of a booth is \$10. There is still booth space available. The purpose of this event is to kick-off Ranger's Christmas Shopping season. For more information and for reserving space please contact us by phone 254-210-1471, email info@startboom.com,

or through the website www.startboom.com.

There are booths available inside the Bulldog Café (this is where Santa will be when the Ranger Historical Society's 14th Annual Christmas Parade is over) and outside behind the Gazebo. The booths with merchandise will be located inside the Bulldog Café. Any food booths will be located behind the Gazebo downtown.

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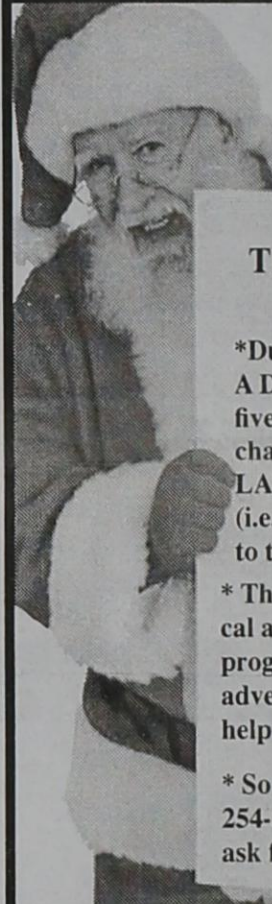
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