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Thursday, October 14, 2004

2nd 19th Congressional District Debate Is Oct. 14 in Abilene

The three candidates vying for the 19th Congressional District seat met in a debate October 12 in Lubbock. The second debate is scheduled for October 14 in Abilene.

The hour-long debates in which Congressman Charlie Stenholm, Congressman Randy Neugebauer and Dr. Richard Peterson agreed to participate, are coordinated by the Lubbock Chamber of Commerce and the Abilene Chamber of Commerce and are co-sponsored by the League of Women Voters, the Texas Tech University Student Government Association and McMurry University.

The October 14 debate in Abilene is scheduled for 6 p.m. at Radford Auditorium on the McMurry University campus.

Tickets are required for admission, and all three campaigns will be issued a share of tickets to distribute at their discretion.

A spokesperson for the Abilene COC said that all Abilene channels will be broadcasting the Abilene debate live, including KTAB, KTXS, and KXVA FOX.

The format for the moderated forum will feature opening statements and a closing from each candidate as well as questioning from a panel.

Ticket contacts:

Congressman Stenholm - Jodi Zweifler, (806) 788-1215

Congressman Neugebauer - Matt Schaefer (806) 687-5086

Dr. Peterson - Richard Peterson, (806) 799-6032

Student Council To Host Veteran's Day Coffee

The Baird High School Student Council will be hosting a coffee on November 11, 2004 at 10:00 a.m. for all veterans and their spouse's. The coffee will be held in the Family and Consumer Sciences (formally known as Home Economics) room. Following the coffee there will be a Veteran's Day assembly to honor those who have and those who are cur-

rently serving our country. The Council asks all Veterans to provide them with name, branch of service, and a picture (if available). Please provide all information on the back of pictures. Please call or bring information to Baird High School office. For additional information please contact Baird High School - (325) 854-1400. School address is 600 West 7th Street.

Flu Shots

will be given Monday, October 18

1:00 - 3:00 P.M. at the Baird Cafeteria

Cost: \$15.00

Baird Senior Citizens' News & Events

Oct. 21 - Spaghetti Dinner Fund Raiser

Time - 5:00 P.M. - 7:00 P.M.

Chef - Skip Parker
Menu - Spaghetti, salad, garlic toast, dessert & drink
Suggested price - \$5.00

All proceeds benefit the Callahan County Meals on Wheels and Baird Senior Citizens

Carry out orders are welcome. Please call 854-1937

Oct. 28 - Flu Vaccine Clinic

Charge - \$15.00

Persons with Medicare receive the vaccine free of charge.

Please bring Medicare Card.
Call in advance at 854-1937

Volunteers are needed to deliver Homebound Meals. The route takes approximately 30 to 45 minutes, 3 or 4 days a week of the month.

Anyone interested, please call 854-1937.

All Supporters are invited to a Fundraiser and meeting with Congressman Charles Stenholm on October 14 from 11:30 A.M. to 1:00 P.M. at Texas Cattle Exchange in Olden. Donations will be accepted. Lunch is dutch. Please take this opportunity to discuss issues with Charlie and show your support for our congressman.

Doris Grider Appointed Precinct #4 Commissioner Early Voting Begins Monday, October 18

First Lady Commissioner In Callahan County

Doris Grider, wife of the late Commissioner Charlie Grider, was appointed Callahan County Commissioner for Precinct #4 by County Judge Roger Corn at the October 8, 2004 Commissioner's Open Meeting.

Doris Grider will serve the rest of Charlie Grider's term, which will end December 31, 2006.

Doris Grider signed her statement of appointment and took the Oath of Office, administered by Judge Corn.

She was also presented with a plaque in remembrance of Charlie Grider and his service as Callahan County Commissioner for Precinct #4.

The appointment of Doris Grider as commissioner marked a first for Callahan County. She is the first lady commissioner to serve in the county.

The Court was thanked by Frances Taylor for considering the appointment of Doris Grider.

David Grider, son of Charlie Grider, thanked the Court and said that his dad had enjoyed working with everyone.

Also present for the ap-

pointment of Doris Grider were Bob and Charlene Grider.

The Local Government Code 87.042 states that if a vacancy occurs in the office of County Commissioner, the County Judge shall appoint a resident of the precinct in which the vacancy exists to fill the vacancy until the next general election.

Also on the agenda, was the E.M.S. request for an increase in monthly subsidy from Callahan County.

Commissioner Farmer made a motion to table the agenda item until after the E.M.S. Board meets on October 18, 2004 and considers if a director position is necessary.

Jim Hall, Margo Stafford and Larry Ivy met with the Court to discuss this item.

Commissioner Farmer's motion was seconded by Commissioner Holland, and the motion carried 4-0.

Further, the minutes of Sept. 27, 2004 were approved as presented, a motion carried to pay approved bills.

There were no public comments at the Oct. 8 meeting.

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REHAB Roundup Set Tuesday At Texas Cattle Exchange

The 2nd annual "Roundup for Rehab" sale to benefit the West Texas Rehabilitation Center will be held Tuesday, October 19. The first sale was a success and we are asking for your help in making our second one even better.

We have had wonderful response from the community in donating items to sale. We have some great items donated, however, we desperately need generous people such as you to attend the sale and purchase these items. Please remember that any money paid above the value of these purchased items is tax deductible. If you are unable to attend, but would like to send money to purchase items, we will gladly make the purchases for you. We have volunteers willing to do anything you need us to do, just give us a call.

The West Texas Rehab Chuck Wagon will be here serving a meal of beans, cornbread, and cobbler cooked out under the trees starting at 11:30 a.m. This was enjoyed by all last year. The sale items will be on display all morning and the

sale will start at 1 p.m.

Please join us, come eat, enjoy the fellowship, and support this wonderful cause.

Sincerely,

Becky Mahan

Texas Cattle Exchange, Inc.

IH-20 and FM 3363

Olden Exit

Eastland

Donated items so far:

12 yard load crushed rock, and \$100 US Savings Bond, Crowder Construction

\$300 worth of brush clearing (mesquite or oak) using Bobcat-mounted tree shear, Copeland Ranch Management Services

500# 20% Range Cubes,

Thornton Feed Mill

500# 20% Range Cubes,

H & R Feed & Fertilizer

\$100 Savings Bond,

Peoples State Bank of Clyde,

Ranger Branch

3 1/2 Ton Floor Jack,

Bryan's Auto Supply

1 Round Bale Feeder,

Tractor Supply Co.

10 Sq. Bales Coastal Hay,

Highland Springs Farm- Carl Bailey

5 Qt. Oil, Lube, & Filter,

Tire Rotate & Balance, Front

Wheel Alignment, Eastland

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Please See Roundup

Early Voting for the Nov. 2, 2004 elections begins Monday, Oct. 18 and continues through Friday, Oct. 29.

Early voting in Callahan County will be held in the Baird Courthouse, Room 107, located on 100 West 4th St. in Baird. Early Voting hours at the Courthouse are 8:00 A.M. - 5:00 P.M., Monday through Friday.

Branch Early Voting will

be held in Clyde at the Clyde Justice of Peace Office, 318 North First St., from 8:00 A.M. - 12 Noon and 1:00 P.M. - 5 P.M., Monday through Friday.

In Cross Plains, branch Early Voting will be held at the Cross Plains Justice of Peace Office, 424 South Main, from 8:00 A.M. - 12 Noon and 1:00 P.M. - 5 P.M., Monday through Friday.

3 Ways To Vote

1. By mail, by writing your county clerk (or election official) for a ballot, which must be back in the Clerk's office by Oct. 26;

2. Vote early in person at your county clerk or election office at your courthouse Oct. 18 to 29; or

3. Vote on Election Day, Nov. 2

The Presidential election is very important. Of equal importance is the contest for United States Representative, District 19, which pits Veteran Congressman Charles Stenholm and Freshman Congressman Randy Neugebauer.

Editorial

Charlie Stenholm Has Earned Our Trust And Deserves Our Vote And Re-Election

...Things To Wonder And Worry About...

How can there even be a contest between Incumbent Independent-voting Charlie Stenholm and Party-Panderer Randy Neugebauer to represent District 19, the gerrymandered disaster acknowledgedly put together to get Democrats out of Congress.

(Let it be said here: This writer and this publication is strongly in favor of the two-party system, and whenever attempts to annihilate the other, something is terribly wrong and needs to be fixed. We don't think either should dominate at the expense of the other. Those who switch, claiming their ideology doesn't match the party they've been in before, perhaps haven't been as active in their party, seeing that good candidates step forward and serve. Others have switched for alleged other reasons, some logical, some not. This country was founded on the belief in checks and balances, and it grieves many that Texas government is dominated by one party. Faintly one hears the pendulum beginning to swing in Austin. Many, if not most, refuse to hold to the old saw of voting a straight party ticket, choosing rather to vote for the person rather than the party label. A party hack once tried to explain why one should vote the straight ticket; but for the life of us, we cannot remember the logic, if any.)

One wonders why Freshman Rep. Randy Neugebauer, the Panhandle Puppet, has not listed House Majority Leader Tom DeLay, designer of the disastrous re-districting fiasco, who has just been reprimanded for the third time for ethics violations, as a supporter among the many party celebrities he lists in his material and brings to the district to be photographed with.

How anyone could fail to support Veteran Congressman Charlie Stenholm who has served the nation and his district honorably for over 25 years, in the mode and manner of the late Cong. Omar Burlison, Clyde Garrett and others, is beyond reason.

In the General Election Nov. 2, voters can pick and choose. Many will vote for President George Bush and Cong. Stenholm.

If Charlie loses this race, you can be assured that Eastland, Callahan and some other counties are going to be "the tail of the dog" (look at the map) and be even more poorly represented than the rest of the district.

Charlie is up against his weakest opponent, but who has the backing of the strongest support in national and state party officials and money, money, money. (You might ask Tom DeLay where Randy's money came from when you count the hundreds and hundreds of signs for Randy all over the district.)

Could there be "over-kill" as far as Randy is concerned?

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Callahan County (Baird) Star Classifieds

Legal Notice

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS OF PROPOSED TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (TxDOT) CONTRACTS

Sealed proposals for contracts listed below will be received by TxDOT until the date(s) shown below, and then publicly read.

CONSTRUCTION / MAINTENANCE / BUILDING FACILITIES CONTRACT(S)

Dist/Div: Abilene Contract 6113-59-001 for GENERAL MAINTENANCE in TAYLOR County, etc will be opened on November 09, 2004 at 1:00 pm at the State Office for an estimate of \$1,691,404.60.

All prospective bidders are encouraged to attend the pre-bid conference for Contract 6113-59-001 to be held on October 20, 2004 at 1:30 p.m. at the TAYLOR COUNTY MAINTENANCE OFFICE, 1350 N ARNOLD BLVD, ABILENE, TX.

Plans and specifications are available for inspection, along with bidding proposals, and applications for the TxDOT Prequalified Contractor's list, at the applicable State and/or Dist/Div Offices listed below. If applicable, bidders must submit prequalification information to TxDOT at least 10 days prior to the bid date to be eligible to bid on a project. Prequalification materials may be requested from the State Office listed below. Plans for the above contract(s) are available from TxDOT's website at www.dot.state.tx.us and from reproduction companies at the expense of the contractor.

NPO: 14348 State Office

Constr./Maint. Division 200 E. Riverside Austin, Texas 78704 Phone: 512-416-2540

Dist/Div Office(s)

Abilene District District Engineer 4250 N. Clack Abilene, Texas 79604-0150 Phone: 325-676-6800

Minimum wage rates are set out in bidding documents and the rates will be part of the contract. TXDOT ensures that bidders will not be discriminated against on the grounds of race, color, sex, or national origin. (10-14, 10-21-04)

D. P. S. Report
10-03-04 to 10-09-04
CASES INVESTIGATED

- Warnings - 59
- Complaints - 100
- Consumption of Alcohol - Minor - 1
- Possession of Marijuana - 1
- Driving While License Invalid - 1
- Driving While License Invalid - Warrant - 2
- Possession of Prohibited Weapon - 1
- Possession of Controlled Substance - 2
- Possession of Drug Paraphernalia - 2

Accidents
There were 4 accidents investigated during this time span.

Advertising in the Classifieds Pays \$\$\$\$

From Page One
Roundup

- Tire & Auto
- 1 Dozen Red Roses, Heaven Sent Floral
- 1 Free Family Meal (up to \$35), Rafter H Bar B Q
- 2 Free Family Meals (up to \$35), Lone Star Cafe' - Red Star Truck Stop
- Lyfe Tyme BBQ Pit, Higginbotham-Bartlett Co.
- Black & Decker Blower/Sweeper, Ace Hardware
- SurgeMaster Surge Protector 90 000 amp, Arther Business Products
- 4 Oil & Filter Changes Up to 5 Qts, Fullen Motor Company, Inc.
- 10 Medium Pizzas, Pizza Inn-Eastland
- \$30 in Beauty Services, Images Beauty Salon
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80 acres wooded with mostly oak trees, creek, hill, nearby waterline, deer, turkey, dove, hogs, \$950 per acre. SOLD
80 acres mostly wooded with oak trees, pond, creek, large hills & views, waterline, deer, turkey, dove, hogs, \$500 per acre.
83 acres mostly wooded with mature oak trees, easy access, good hunting/recreation property, deer, hogs, turkey, dove, quail \$89,762.
95 acres completely wooded with mature oak trees, large hill, pond, setup with deer blinds & feeders, deer, hogs, turkey, dove, quail \$87,875 owner/agent.
97 acres by Lake Cisco, over a mile of road frontage that is within 200 yards of Lake Cisco shoreline, mostly wooded with oak trees, large hill overlooking Lake Cisco, canyons, pond, deer, hogs, turkey, dove, duck, quail, \$116,400.
100 acres with 2001 32 ft. travel trailer with slide out, 16x20 enclosed building, fourwheeler, the property is thickly wooded with oaks, canyons, pond, electricity, deer, turkey, hogs, dove, duck, quail, \$118,500.
155 acres, 100 acres of live oaks & mesquite trees, 55 acres of fields, sunflowers, 3 ponds, hills, canyons, barns, 1 room cabin, waterline, deer, turkey, hogs, dove, duck, quail, \$123,225.
160 acres wooded with live oak, pond, creek, 2 ponds & a creek, hills with views, waterline, electricity, phone line, deer, turkey, hogs, duck, dove & quail. \$895/ac
10 acres, about 50% wooded with oak trees, deer, turkey, quail, co-op water nearby. \$775 per acre. SOLD
177 acres by Lake Cisco, over a mile of road frontage within 200 yards of Lake Cisco shoreline, mostly wooded with oak trees, very large hills overlooking Lake Cisco, canyons, pond, deer, hogs, turkey, dove, duck, quail, \$212,400.
306 acres, wooded with 35 acre field, red oak & mesquite timber, older rock house, ponds, deer, turkey, quail, dove, \$725 per acre.
310 acres, wooded with live oak, mesquite, several ponds, excellent hunting, deer, turkey, quail, dove, \$725 per acre.
320 acres, 110 acres of fields and 210 acres wooded with mostly mesquite and some live oak timber, 2 ponds, creek, waterline, rolling hills, deer, turkey, hogs, duck, dove and quail. \$575 per acre.
328 acres by Lake Cisco, over three miles of road frontage within 200 yards of Lake Cisco shoreline, mostly wooded with oak trees, very large hills overlooking Lake Cisco, canyons, 2 ponds, will divide, deer, hogs, turkey, dove, duck, quail, \$391,200.
616 acres, mostly wooded with oak and mesquite timber, field, several ponds, hills, creek. Excellent hunting - deer, turkey, hogs, \$125 per acre.
850 acres some high game fence, mostly wooded, oak timber, waterline, large hills, creek bottoms, 4 fields, 6 ponds, deer, turkey, quail, dove, \$715 per acre.
*****HOMES WITH ACREAGE*****
66 acres with 3 BR home ready to be completed by new buyer, overlooks Lake Cisco, mostly wooded, two ponds, creeks, \$125,000.
13.75 acres with nice 3 BR, 2 bath, 2 1/2 car garage, LR, kitchen recently remodeled, double carport, water well, pond, storage bldg., hookups for RV or mobile home.
5 acres with recently built 3 BR, 2 bath home, large rooms, many pretty cabinets in kitchen, living room, den and utility room. \$125,000. SOLD
*****LAKE CISCO*****
2 BR, 1 bath home, carport, attached storage, \$12,500.
2 BR, 1 bath, carport with storage, \$12,500. SOLD
2 BR, 1 bath home, large rooms, separate DR, storage bldg., corner property, \$17,500.
2 BR, 1 3/4 bath newer Clayton Sonoma, CHA, storage bldg, fenced lot, \$18,500.
2 BR, 1 bath home, CH/A, mostly wood floors, garage, fenced backyard, corner property, \$23,000.
2 BR 1 bath frame, recently remodeled, extra cabinets in dining area, CH/A, deck, garage, fenced backyard, reduced to \$27,000.
2 BR, 1 bath home, large rooms, many cabinets, CH/A, carport, storage bldg, fenced backyard, \$30,000. SOLD
4 BR, 2 bath, lg. rooms, lots of character, separate DR, fenced yard, lg. corner property, \$39,500.
3 BR, 1 3/4 bath, mostly brick home, 2 1/2 car garage, patio, storage bldg., fenced backyard, \$39,500.
3 BR, 2 baths, many nice cabinets, separate DR, CH/A, approx. 1440 sq. ft., large metal bldg., 12 fenced lots, \$39,500. SOLD
3 BR, 1 3/4 bath mostly brick home, 2 1/2 car garage, fenced backyard, 1 1/2 lots, \$42,500.
3 BR, 2 bath, lg. LR, with WBFP, some wood floors, CH, double carport, storage bldg., 2 1/2 lots, \$45,000.
3 BR, 1 3/4 bath, veneer brick home, CH/A, fireplace, storm windows, garage enclosed for 2 extra rooms, chain link fencing, 2 storage bldgs., large trees, reduced to \$47,500.
2 BR, 1 3/4 bath home, veneer brick, CH/A, WBFP, garage, covered patio, storage bldg, fenced backyard, \$48,500.
3 BR, 1 3/4 bath brick, separate storage bldg., 2 1/2 car garage, double carport, fenced backyard, \$53,500.
4 BR, 2 bath, 2 story, with character, some wood floors, lg. corner property, many large oak trees, reduced to \$47,000.
3 BR, 1 1/2 bath, CH, separate DR, WBFP in LR and WB heater in den, patio, 2 large metal shops, 2 double carports, 3 lots.
5 BR, 2 bath, 2 story home, lots of character, formal DR, office, large rooms, mostly wooden floors, 2 CH/A units, surrounded by large oak and pecan trees, large corner property.
*****LAKE CISCO*****
2 BR Home, deck, boat dock, large oak trees, reduced to \$25,000.
3 BR Home, many cabinets, woodburning heater, wooden deck, boat dock with boat house, large trees. Reduced to \$28,000.
2 BR Home, CH/A, fireplace, detached guest room, patio, boat dock, 2 car carport, storage bldg., large oak trees, reduced to \$28,000.
2 BR Home, WBFP, nice view of lake from LR and BRs. Some landscaping with sprinkler system, deck and boat dock.
3 BR, full bath plus two 3/4 bath home with CH/A and WBFP downstairs, covered boat dock. Furniture and appliances can remain.
Beautiful 2 BR, 1 3/4 bath home, CH/A, WBFP, shop, storage bldg., large landscaped yard, tall oak trees, boat dock, great view of lake from DR, LR, den and master BR, many extras.
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Kokomo News

By Zelda Jordan

Bro. Clarence And Leona Wilson Honored At Church Picnic

The annual picnic of the Kokomo Baptist Church was held at the home of Gene and Kay Snider on Saturday, October 9, 2004. The members of the church and guests began arriving about 4:00 p.m. in the Snider's beautiful backyard where they enjoyed visiting and playing games of dominoes and pitching horseshoes. The ladies enjoyed a tour of the beautiful remodeled home.

The weather was nice, but it got a little windy and cool by the time the hamburgers were ready to eat, so the tables were moved from the patio to the garage and driveway. The hamburger patties were grilled by the Snider's son-in-law, Dale Collum of Huckabay and each person fixed his own hamburger from a table laden with all the fixings and assorted chips and dips. There were cold drinks and assorted cookies. Joe Bond offered thanks for the food and fellowship.

Following the meal, Bro. Clarence and Leona Wilson were called to a table on the driveway and surprised and honored as they were presented a beautifully decorated cake iced with a replica of a church house and the inscription "Congratulations for your 20 years at Kokomo", and a check to show the church's appreciation for having been their pastor for 20 years. He preached his first sermon as pastor at Kokomo on the last Sunday in October, 1984.

The cake was baked by Cecilia Hirst and presented by Kay Snider. The check was presented by Chairman of the deacons, Bobby Little, who expressed the church's love and appreciation for them and said they were invited to stay another 20 years. Everyone was then invited to have a piece of the beautiful and delicious cake after the Wilsons cut it and took the first two pieces.

Bro. Wilson expressed thanks and appreciation to the church.

Those attending and enjoying the wonderful time of food and fellowship were: Bro. Clarence and Leona Wilson, Gene and Kay Snider, Mike, Crystal and Rachel Snider, Dale, Kathy, Scott and Matt Collum of Huckabay, LaVon Snider, Dwayne and Connie Snider

of Stephenville, Joe and Glynda Bond, Shannon and Raegan Bond of Copperas Cove, Woodrow and Helen Browning, Oren and Norma Webb, James and Ruby Lee Kinser, Bobby and Mary Jane Little, James and Mary Donham, Daryl and Cecilia Hirst, James, Jill, Ashley and Breckley Little, Nancy Hendricks, Sylvia Buchanan and Zelda Jordan.

Doug and Carole Little of Midland and Charles and Mary Jane Elston of Hohenwold, TN were visitors at the Kokomo Baptist Church on Sunday morning. "Happy Birthday" was sung to Daryl Hirst. Kay Snider, Leona Wilson, Ruby Lee

Kinser, Sylvia Buchanan, Helen Browning, Daryl Hirst, Oren Webb, Joe Bond and Woodrow Browning with Glynda Bond at the piano rendered the special music.

The Sunday night service at the Kokomo Baptist Church on October 17th will be dismissed so the members can attend the Prayer Revival at the Olden Baptist Church.

Jared Fails and friend, Nathan McBride of Arlington visited from Thursday until Sunday with Jared's grandparents, Jimmy and Verna Lee Little.

Jimmy and Verna Lee Little spent Monday night with Nelda and Jared Fails in Arlington and went for medical treatments in Grapevine on Monday and Tuesday.

Larry and Betty Strube attended the Homecoming service on Sunday at the Rising Star Church of Christ. The Strubes were members of the church for many years when they lived near Rising Star.

Bob and Beverley Pharris of Haskell visited with Larry and Betty Strube on Wednesday.

Visitors with Nancy Hendricks were Dave and Laneta Freeman, Sylvia Buchanan, Jonell Torrez and Zelda Jordan.

Jacob Webb of Burleson and Kaci and Aaron Suniga of Comanche visited with their grandparents, Oren and Norma Webb on Sunday afternoon.

Shannon and Raegan Bond of Copperas Cove visited with Joe and Glynda Bond.

Those visiting with Betty Little and enjoying lunch on Sunday were Doug and Carole Little of Midland, Karen Patterson of Eastland, Charles and Mary Jane Elston of Hohenwold, TN, Bobby and Mary Jane Little, Jimmy and Verna Lee Little, Charles and Carolyn Little, James, Jill, Ashley and Breckley Little, Jared Fails and Nathan McBride of Arlington, Elbert and Coralea Bennett of Gorman. Bill and Rudene Wise of Clarendon are visiting this week with Betty.

Jared and Amy Browder of Eastland, Shorty Treadway of Ranger and Zelda Jordan visited with Arl and Margie Lasater at Carbon on Friday night and enjoyed several games of "train".

Bro. Clarence and Leona Wilson, Johnnie B. Griffith and Zelda Jordan enjoyed lunch together in De Leon on Sunday.

Norma Webb and Zelda Jordan were in Abilene on Tuesday for a medical checkup for Norma and did a little shopping and enjoyed lunch while there.

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New Date, Time And Location Kick-Off Diabetic Support Group Meetings

Summer is over, school has begun and it is time to resume the monthly

Diabetic Support Group Meetings. The first meeting of the season will be **Tuesday, October 19, 2004 at 12 noon to 1 p.m. at Eastland Memorial Hospital in the Teaching Conference Room.** Just follow the signs in the main lobby.

Dana McKelvain, R.N., Education Manager at Eastland Memorial Hospital will be presenting the program. This program is specially designed for patient education by HealthNet, an educational service of Texas Tech University Health Science Center, which the hospital receives as part of their continuing education contract for employees and patients.

"Learning About Diabetes" is a good basic program that will provide a general overview on diabetes. It will provide information on the digestive process in regards to insulin production, along with identifying the types and describing the symptoms of diabetes. The program will cover a variety of areas, including: lifestyle changes, the relationship between insulin and sugar, management and maintenance, medications and monitoring.

Diabetic Support Group meetings will no longer be on a specific day of the week.

They will rotate month to month depending upon the schedule of the speaker. The time will usually be 12 noon to 1 p.m. and the location will usually be Eastland Memorial Hospital in the Teaching Conference Room. Please watch the paper and pay special attention to the date, time, location, and the topic for the meeting.

So let's get back in the "swing of things" now that

'Sky Captain And The World Of Tomorrow' Comes To The Majestic

The Paramount Picture "Sky Captain and the World of Tomorrow" will open at the Majestic Theater in Eastland on Friday, Oct. 15, and show nightly through Monday, Oct. 18.

It can be seen at 7:30 nightly, with admission \$4 at the box office. Balcony seats are available to adults only for \$5.50.

This feature was inspired by an old Marvel Comics short piece. It uses live action filmed against a digital setting - a new way of presenting a movie.

It is rated PG, and is an adventure the whole family can enjoy.

In the story, pulp fiction fantasies come to life. The film opens with the Hindenburg 111, a huge airship, docking atop the Empire State building in New York.

Storm clouds rumble as snow blankets the city, and startling news fills the

school has begun. Make your plans to attend this first meeting of the season and become a graduate of "Diabetes 101". See you **Tuesday, October 19th at Eastland Memorial Hospital in the Teaching Conference Room at 12 noon.** You are welcome to bring your lunch and eat during the meeting, if you are on your lunch break from work.

screen. Famous scientists around the world are mysteriously disappearing.

Then huge and deadly robots begin to trample the city, flinging cars and crushing buildings.

Out investigating is Polly Perkins (Gwyneth Paltrow), a Chronicle reporter who enlists the help of her old flame, Captain H. Joseph Sullivan (Jude Law) - aka Sky Captain - an ace aviator with daredevil flying skills.

Polly and the Sky Captain have many adventures as they try to stop the robots and find the mastermind behind them, Dr. Totenkopf.

Will these two courageous people find the elusive Totenkopf in time? They have the help of an all-female amphibious squadron, Franky Cook (Angelina Jolie), and technical genius Dex (Giovanni Ribisi).

This picture is both retro and futuristic, and the settings are surreal. No picture

Special Guest Attends Cisco Country Opry

The Country Opry at Cisco had a special guest last Saturday night, Oct. 9.

Kristen Hancock, from the Abilene office of Cong. Charles Stenholm, visited the Musical.

This event was held in the Community Center, Hillside Village, with Al Jones as M.C.

Kristen Hancock mentioned Stenholm's high ranking in Congress, and his work with Agriculture, Social Security, and Veteran's affairs.

The evening had a good lineup of musicians. Among them were Wes King and his wife from Tuscola, John Brock from Trickam, Eddie Munn, singer and guitarist, and Max Wheelen of Gordon, who also played the guitar and sang.

The next Opry will be held in November.

has looked quite like this one, or has been made in this way. Every element other than the actors is a digital illusion, with one exception - the things the actors touch or pick up are there.

When all the elements are synthesized precisely, the three-dimensional illusionary world lines up seamlessly with the live action.

The final step is to add color to the film, which gives it the brilliant luminescence of Technicolor processing.

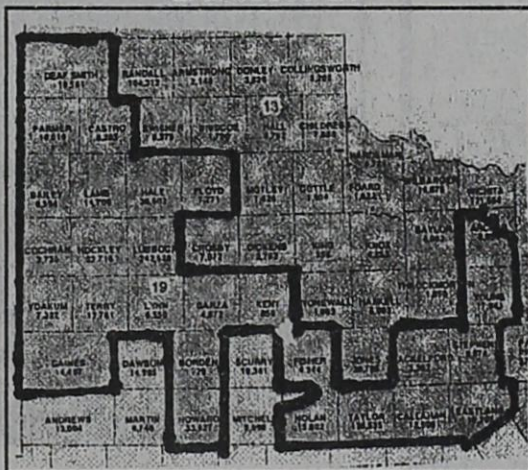
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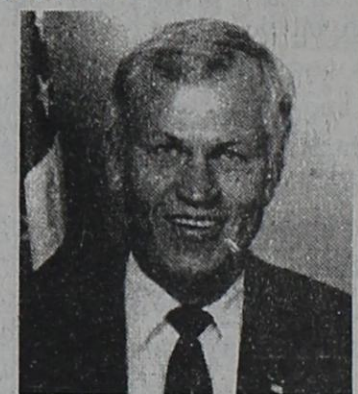
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3. Texas will lose a member of the Armed Services Committee. (Charlie Stenholm was recently appointed to this committee)
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6. The redistricting plan forced on us by Tom DeLay will have succeeded.

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Making A Difference

By Rex M. Rogers

Friendship For Fun and Profit

All of us recognize that a life without friendships would probably not be worth living. We even have words for people who avoid people--words like "hermit" and "recluse." For the most part, then, it's probably safe to say that our society considers the absence of friendship to be a bad thing.

Friendships for "fun and profit," so to speak, ought to be part of our lives. And yet in fast-paced adult lifestyles, friendships--really deep friendships--are seemingly hard to come by. Friendships are always more difficult for grownups. We just don't have the time or innocent vulnerability that children do.

And friendships are harder to maintain in a highly mobile society. My family and I have lived in four states, and that kind of mobility is increasingly the norm. Most families move four to five times, so we're no longer surrounded for life by childhood friends like our grandparents were.

The first thing God said about people is that it was not good for them to be alone. God created us with relational needs. People need a relationship with the Lord and with each other.

Scripture includes many examples of friendship: Daniel and his three friends, Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego; Ruth and Naomi; Jonathan and David.

Christian faith allows friendships to move beyond basic attraction to mutual accountability. According to the Bible, just as iron sharpens iron, so a friendship sharpens the personalities involved. Christian faith calls upon us to bear one another's burdens, to encourage, to uplift.

Friendship is a powerful God-given blessing. Friendship is worth the investment.

Let me leave you with a thought. Rather than looking for someone to be your friend, look for someone to be a friend to.

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Which Bible Is God's Holy Word?

Since there are dozens and dozens of new Bible translations coming out now and in prior years and most of them have the words "HOLY BIBLE" on the front, it appears to me, "There is no other question in the world more important than, "Which Bible is Truly God's Holy Word?" Many of these new bibles change the Gospel of Christ a little and some a lot! CAN THE GOSPEL OF MAN GET US TO HEAVEN?

The Bible we have had for hundreds of years, the King James Bible, was translated into English in the year 1611 by dozens of scholars who were very proficient in the Hebrew language, the Greek language, and the English language, and they were required to translate the Old Testament from the Hebrew language manuscripts to English. Since the New Testament was originally written in Greek, they were required to use the Greek manuscripts to translate it into English. They were also required to

use "Verbal Equivalence", word for word translation, whereas MOST of the new translators used what is called "Dynamic Equivalence" which gives them the right to put it in man's thinking and man's modern day words! The scholars in the 1611 translation were also required to diligently make comparisons to all previous translation efforts. In other words, no private interpretations or thinking was allowed. Now, since these men were doing this work without the benefit of God's divine inspiration, they naturally made numerous unintentional mistakes which had to be corrected over time.

In 2 Timothy, God clearly tells us that all scripture is given to us by Him (God), and further, God repeatedly tells us His words are pure and He will preserve them forever.

Look in your King James Bible, (at the last page of the Bible), Revelation 22:18 and 19, which reads as follows: For I testify unto every man that heareth the words of the prophecy of this book, If any man shall add unto these things, God shall add unto him the plagues that are written in this book: And if any man shall take away from the words of the book of this prophecy, God shall take away his part of the Book of Life, and out of the holy city, and from the things which are written in this book.

In Deuteronomy 4:2 God says: Ye shall NOT add unto the word which I command you, NEITHER shall ye diminish ought from it, that ye may keep the commandments of the Lord your God which I command you.

Pretty plain don't you think? Jesus tells us in Matthew 4:4 It is written, Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that proceedeth out of the mouth of God. When He says "every word", does that leave leeway for man to alter his word?

Matthew 5:18: For verily I say unto you, Till heaven and earth pass, one jot or one tittle shall in no wise pass from the law, till all be fulfilled.

In Peter 1:23, we learn that the word of God is incorruptible and liveth and abideth forever. And God tells us in Romans 8:14: For as many as are led by the Spirit of God, they are the sons of God.

In the Bible, God tells us if we earnestly seek to learn His words and commandments, He will reveal more and more to us as we study and seek His word. 1st Corinthians 2:10 says: But God hath revealed them unto us by His Spirit: for the Spirit searcheth all things, yea, the deep things of God.

Now, if man changes God's Holy Words a little here and a little there, either by design or unknowingly, has he sinned against God?

The thousands of early day Christians who were beheaded or put in with the lions because their faith in God's Word was strong enough that they WOULD NOT denounce Christ is something for us to ponder on. History tells us of Christians memorizing God's Holy Words, (the Bible), and now we have hundreds of scribes who are rewriting the bible, getting a copyright on it so no one else can publish it and they promote it to the masses! Many of them are doing this for money.

God didn't copyright the Holy Bible He wrote, and millions upon millions have been printed and distributed worldwide with "NO", \$0", profit involved, in fact millions have been given free.

In closing, may I say that

all those who truly love the Lord must take the time to study and determine what is and what isn't God's Holy Words!!!

In Amos 8:11 God says: Behold, the days come, saith the Lord God, that I will send a famine in the land, not a famine of bread, nor a thirst for water, but of hearing the words of the Lord:

I want to give you several quick Bible verses for you to compare so you can see some of the chances to God's Word. One of the most popular newer versions has omitted 17 verses of the Bible, plus about 64,000 other words. The verse omissions are Matthew 17:21, 18:11, 23:14, and in Mark 7:16, 9:44, 9:46, 11:26, 15:28, in Luke 17:36 and 23:17, in John 5:4, in Acts 8:37, 15:34, 24:7, 28:29, Romans 16:24, and 1 John 5:7. You will have to check your bible to see if it has omitted these verses.

There are hundreds of changes in many of the newer versions. Here is one last example (for the moment). In the KING JAMES BIBLE, Revelation 22:16 reads as follows: I Jesus have sent mine angel to testify unto you these things in the

churches. I am the root and the offspring of David, and the bright and morning star. Some of the new versions call Lucifer the morning star. PLEASE NOTE THAT THE "NEW" KING JAMES BIBLE IS ONLY ANOTHER NEW VERSION.

I am ordering a quantity of reference books regarding Bible translations and if the library in Eastland will allow me to do so, I will put these books there so they can be checked out and then returned for others to use. May the Lord bless each and every person who loves the Lord enough to research this question--WHICH BIBLE IS GOD'S HOLY WORD?

If anyone disagrees with me, PLEASE prepare your response along with evidence and send it to this newspaper, or if you wish, send it to me. Thank you for your interest. I do not claim to have a real high I.Q., but I do claim to have a strong desire to know the real truth.

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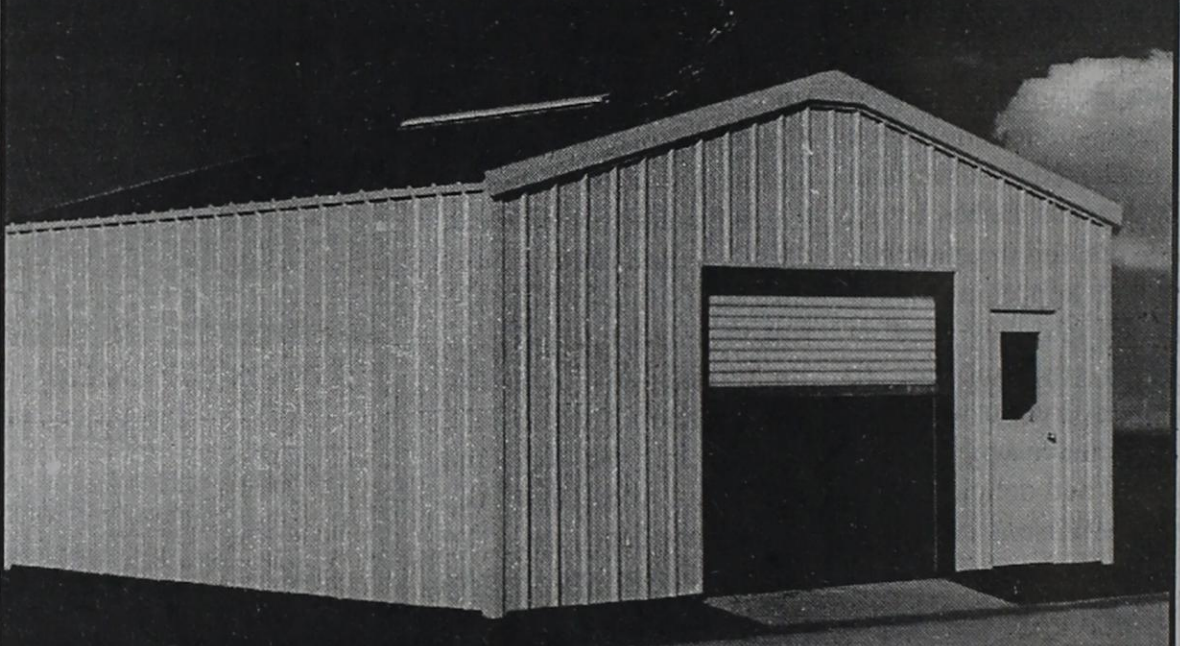
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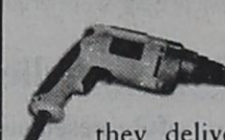
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AG TALK

This has been a particularly busy few days here in the House of Representatives as the end of any session always is. Congress is focused on wrapping up its business, prior to going home until after the election. Then we expect there will be a lame-duck session beginning the week of November 15th.

I want to devote my full time with you today to sharing news that is of particular interest to West Texas agriculture.

As you may know, earlier this week I introduced bipartisan legislation that means legislation supported by Republicans and Democrats alike—to compensate farmers and ranchers who were devastated by drought, flood, freezing weather and excessive rain in 2003 and 2004.

To show you the strength of the bipartisan commitment to my plan, I had more than 40 cosponsors and 17 of those were Republicans.

I introduced my legislation after the President proposed an assistance package for hurricane victims to be paid for with emergency spending measures. Unfortunately, the President's package did not include assistance for farmers and ranchers in other parts of the country.

Let me be clear: I am not opposed to providing aid to farmers in Florida, whose crops and citrus trees have been devastated by the recent hurricanes. But I am opposed to treating losses that stem from hurricanes differently than the losses that result from drought, wind and freezing rain.

With the support of more than 40 Members, including 17 Republicans, I pressed the Republican leadership to allow my amendment to extend federal assistance to producers affected by natural disasters in other areas of the country in the same manner as assistance for this year's hurricane victims, as recommended by the President. Such assistance was provided in September by the U.S. Senate on a bipartisan vote.

Unfortunately, the Repub-

lican leadership did not allow the full House of Representatives to consider my amendment, even though 17 Republicans supported it.

And so, I was extremely disappointed with the action taken by the House of Representatives, and I predicted this would cause problems. And sure enough, on Wednesday night, October 6th, we had an amendment that would reopen the 2002 Farm Bill to pay for agricultural disasters for farmers and ranchers in West Texas who had disasters in 2003 and 2004 and sure enough that is what has happened as of this recording.

I believe that fairness requires that assistance be provided on the same basis for all producers. It only seems fair that if we are going to provide disaster assistance for hurricane victims, then we should also provide relief to those affected by all natural disasters, whether it's hail, too much water or drought.

Unfortunately, the House Leadership said that no fairness is required in delivering disaster assistance in their package. A number of my colleagues and 25 farm groups agree with me, and disagree with the House Leadership, that all agriculture producers suffering from natural disasters should be treated equally.

Farmers and ranchers pay taxes just like everyone else.

They expect their government to work for them in times of need. Unfortunately, politics reign supreme under the current leadership of this House, despite the fact that my legislation had support from Republicans and Democrats alike.

As a result of action taken by the House, disaster assistance would be paid for by cutting \$3 billion from the Conservation Security Program enacted in the 2002 Farm Bill. But the House Leadership has chosen to play favorites in how it treats agricultural disasters from one part of the country to another. In choosing to reopen the 2002 Farm Bill, bipartisan legislation that was carefully crafted by agricultural groups across the country, this House and the Members who are concerned for agriculture will surely come to regret it.

Now there are those who say this action did not reopen the Farm Bill. Well, I wish they were watching the Senate today as I have been, in which suddenly we have

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Senators saying we don't believe we ought to reopen the conservation title, but rather let's discuss payment limitations. That's an argument that senators like Dorgan (D-ND) and Grassley (R-IA) have been pushing. They will say, "If we're going to pay for it, then let's pay for it with payment limitations."

Now this is an argument I warned my colleagues about who chose to follow the leadership of House Majority Leader Tom DeLay. I said be careful because when you begin re-opening the Farm Bill for any purpose, you will have coalitions of folks who disagree.

And we have had a donnybrook on our hands today. By the time you hear this perhaps we'll have a final resolution and bring you up to date.

Let me repeat, because it seems some farmers do not quite understand—and a lot of people who are not farmers certainly don't understand this—but farm legislation is not just subsidies. Farm legislation is also nutrition and feeding programs—taking the food we produce and making sure it gets to the consumers who need it. Farm legislation is also conservation—a very important part of the Farm Bill—and no one in West Texas has to be reminded of how important conservation measures are for our soil and our water.

Farm legislation is also research such as the tremendous research programs taking place at Texas Tech and Texas A&M University. Rural development programs are also part of the Farm Bill.

There's so much that is part of the Farm Bill that when you begin to touch one part of it, then suddenly the groups that have made up the coalition and that are most

interested in conservation or nutrition—and who have not one whit of interest in the cotton program—then suddenly those folks begin to look at withholding their votes from the overall legislative package. That's something I worry about as we look ahead. The reality is you have to have the support of all those groups, have all those votes, in order to pass a Farm Bill in these times.

Looking forward, we're going to have terrific budget questions, and tremendous problems dealing with the budget deficits that have been built up under the current economic game plan. These problems are being ignored now, but they cannot be ignored forever.

As I said on the House floor this week, I am perfectly willing for agriculture to do our fair share to bring down the deficit, but it is not fair to require agriculture to do it all alone.

If we're going to have off-sets, if we're going to have pay-go rules in place, then let's apply them for every function of the budget and not just agriculture.

Some in Congress have decided to go the political route, and they have stirred up a hornet's nest as far as how we resolve this.

Thursday, October 14, 2004

Let me make a little prediction: I think in the end we're going to see a very close proximity to the bill I introduced earlier this week. I do predict we are going to get relief for farmers who have suffered from disasters all over the country. And I predict there will not be off-sets that require reopening the Farm Bill. I think cooler, wiser heads will ultimately prevail in this.

That's what I believe as I record this at 5:30 on Friday evening, and we're keeping our eyes on what the conferees on the appropriations bills are doing and not doing.

I predict that in the end we will have a reasonable and fair and balanced disaster program that covers losses in 2003 and 2004 unless the House Leadership decides it's not important. And if that's the case, then as you know, when the House Leadership decides something is or is not important, then that's what happens.

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.

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The Idle American

Commentary By Dr. Don Newbury

Smell Tests, Passed and Failed

I don't recall a week when the news has "smelled" so much, and the gamut runs from odors to aromas. Of course, if you want to include political rhetoric, the pendulum swings heavily toward the former.

Aside from the "dids" did nots and did toos lobbed by political candidates on every level are two captivating accounts of triumph and tragedy. It was a good thing to learn that two Americans won the Nobel Prize in physiology for research on smell. (They determined that humans can recognize as many as 10,000 smells.)

It was a sad thing to learn that a small band of Swiss monks at the "highest church in the world" (8,000 feet in the Alps) is closing the kennel. For the first time in some 400 years, they no longer will breed and train dogs whose keen sense of smell has resulted in more than 2,000 lives of climbers and hikers being spared.

This "shouldn't happen to a dog(s)." But, they are down to just four monks; they have neither the time nor the money to care for the dogs. The Monastery of the Grand St. Bernard (now the Hospice of Grand St. Bernard) has provided refuge from the cold and snow for many thousands of people since the tenth century—everyone from local hunters to Napoleon.

In the 1600's, monks realized that dogs had unique smelling abilities. They started breeding burly canines, naming them in honor of their patron saint. In those

days, there were no skis and the big dogs were called on to make paths to the victims. Big enough to climb with ease, they could smell victims buried deep in the snow, as well as hear avalanches long before humans.

Upon reaching the victims, they instinctively lay on top of them, licking to provide warmth. Now we know the origin of the hillbillies, claims of just "pulling up another dog" to stay warm. (And no, they never carried small barrels of brandy to revive the climbers. Nineteenth century artists added this picturesque touch.)

Dogs can teach us much about smell, and now, in a few sniffs, can identify diseases. Yes, they do make house calls, but no, they aren't covered by Medicare. A current article in the British Medical Journal claims that dogs can "sniff out" cancer and that their sense of smell is at least 10,000 times greater than humans.

Fie on me! Cats must not be overlooked. At the State Fair of Texas, Dominique and His Flying Housecats are sharing the stage with the Top Flight K9s. The dogs perform first, and handlers are having a hard time getting the cats "settled down" enough to perform. The felines, reluctance to follow the dogs on stage reminds me of Red Skelton and his Clem Kadiddlehopper's old observation: "This just don't (look) smell right to me."

Idlings: Neighbor down the street complained that he felt half sick. "Go see if the doctor will give you half a flu shot," his wife suggested.

Candlestick Park in San

Francisco has a new name: Monster Park (for Monster Cable Products, Inc.). Clever indeed, but what will they call it AFTER Halloween?

A few years ago, the "you know" crutch popped up repeatedly in interviews. Now, count the number of times you hear the word "absolutely."

I've always admired the courage of folks who chase tornadoes and fly into the eyes of hurricanes. Now, add the fearless bunch that that searches for earthquakes.

Idlings II: They're talking about a 12-year-old Seattle Mariner fan on the edge of his seat during Edgar Martinez, final at-bat prior to retirement. Knowing that Mount St. Helens was bubbling a few miles away, he thought how neat it would be if the 17-year Mariner veteran could smack a home run at the very time of a massive volcanic eruption. Alas, neither occurred; Martinez grounded into a double play and the volcano continued to bubble. Still, he received a prolonged standing ovation from devoted fans.

Oprah got mucho credit for giving each of her 276 guests a new car when her new show kicked off the new season. She gets the credit; Pontiac foots the \$7 million bill.

Kudos to those youngsters in New York, who returned the 66 World Series tickets that fell from a delivery truck. Four other tickets are as yet unfound and/or unreturned.

Idlings III: Scientists now believe that chipmunks "toughed it out" during the last ice age instead of migrating south, some 5,000 years ago. Now I better understand the strange sounds produced by Alvin, Simon and Theodore whose "Chipmonk Song" was number one on the 1958 hit parade. I

thought they were simply recorded at a faster speed.

Upon further review, maybe they were just shivering, like snowbound victims high in the Alps, hoping that St. Bernards soon would appear.

Dr. Newbury is an author/speaker/columnist in the Metroplex. His column appears in 100 Texas newspapers. He invites feedback at 817.447.3872 or by e-mail: newbury@speakerdoc.com

Eastland Man's Probation Revoked

Presiding Judge Brad Stephenson revoked the probation of Johnnie Paul Grimes, 47, Thursday morning after hearing testimony in the Eastland County Courtroom. Grimes, an Eastland resident, had previously been placed on two years probation on June 26, 2003 for Interference with Emergency Telephone Call. The Court sentenced

Grimes to one year in the Eastland County Jail, for violating the terms and conditions of his probation. Criminal District Attorney Russ Thomason stated: Judge Stephenson's sentence should be a strong message to those who are fortunate enough to receive probation but don't take their terms and conditions of probation seriously.

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Hospice Of The Big Country Offers Volunteer Training

Hospice of the Big Country is looking for new volunteers to join their program. Due to an increase in patient referrals, they are offering training for volunteers in Abilene and surrounding communities.

Training sessions will begin on Tuesday, Oct. 19, and continue for the next two weeks on Tuesday and Thursday evenings.

The classes will be held at the West Texas Rehabilitation Center boardroom from 6:00-9:30 p.m. They are open to all interested persons, and there is no charge. Pre-registration is required, however, so there will be enough notebooks and material for everyone.

All hospice volunteers are required to complete this training. The program is a series of classes designed to educate volunteers about hospice care and all the ministries involved in being a volunteer for terminally ill patients.

Some of the topics that will be covered include ethics, communication skills, the

disease process, stages of death and dying, care and comfort measures, grief and bereavement, and spirituality in death. The trainers for each topic are all experts in their field.

"A hospice volunteer's time commitment is flexible, just like the services he or she provides," said Jo Ann Wilson, Director of Volunteers Services. "Services range from providing companionship for patients and their families, to running errands and providing respite care. Volunteers are a very important part of this program," she said.

There are currently 90 volunteers who help Hospice of the Big Country meet its mission. HOBC was established in 1992 and serves terminally ill patients in Abilene and 11 surrounding counties.

The hospice provides the coordinated services of a team of professionals and trained volunteers with a personalized plan of care. Each patient's team consists of the medical director, nurse(s), social worker, chaplain,

home health aid, and volunteer. Under the direction of the patient's physician and the hospice medical director, the team works together to provide physical, emotional and spiritual care to the patient and family.

HOBC provides care for cancer as well as non-cancerous diagnoses. Over 2200 patients and families have been served by Hospice of the Big Country since it began.

In April, 2000 Hospice of the Big Country merged with the West Texas Rehabilitation Center. The Hospice accepts all terminally ill patients, regardless of their ability to pay.

Call Jo Ann Wilson, Director of Volunteer Services in Abilene at 325-793-5450 for more information or to reserve your place in the classes.

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RISING STAR: Leo Bailey, Noretta Hubbard, Billy J. Priest, Richard Troxtell, Sharon Walker

Letter To Editor

To the Editor:

I urge each and everyone, regardless of party affiliation to re-elect OUR Congressman, Charles Stenholm.

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Eastland County 4-H Awards Banquet

Some 200 plus 4-H awards for excellence were presented to outstanding Eastland County 4-Hers for their 4-H project and 4-H Club involvement at the annual **Eastland County 4-H Awards Banquet** on Saturday evening, October 2, 2004 at the Ranger Rodeo Barn in Ranger.

The evening banquet was hosted by the Ranger 4-H Club under the direction of Ranger 4-H Club Manager, Amanda Barnes, 4-H parents and members. Theme for the banquet was "Stepping Into Action With 4-H."

Numerous special awards were presented by Extension Agents Bob Bailey and Donna White with the assistance of Retired County Judge Scott Bailey and Commissioner Norman Christian.

The following awards for excellence were presented:

4-H GOLD STAR Winners were Alyssa Hood and Tylan Long both of the

Rising Star 4-H Club. Alyssa is the daughter of Stacy and Joel Hood of Rising Star 4-H and Tylan is the son of Barbara and Tony Long of Rising Star 4-H. The Gold Star Award is the highest honor a 4-Her can receive on the county level. Alyssa and Tylan received a savings bond from the Extension Education Clubs and from the Homer Kirk Family. Alyssa and Tylan will be recognized at the District 8 4-H Gold Star Banquet on October 18, 2004 in Waco.

4-H BRONZE STAR AWARD was earned by Ashley Mitchell of Olden 4-H and Aubrey Lawrence of the Rising Star 4-H. Ashley is the daughter of Cynthia and Alton Mitchell. Aubrey is the son of Caryl and Howard Lawrence.

To receive "Star Awards" in 4-H, the 4-H member is required to meet certain criteria and are judged by out-of-county judges by interviews and exhibits.

Other awards that highlighted the evening were:

"FRIEND OF 4-H" plaques were presented by the Eastland County 4-H Adult Leaders' Association, Leeann Barron, to Eastland County Farm Bureau and accepted by Kris Brown and Dub Hurt. The second **"FRIEND OF 4-H"** was Bill Horn of the Texas Cattle Exchange. Their support to 4-H in Eastland County is very much appreciated.

"OUTSTANDING 4-H ADULT LEADER" was presented by the Eastland County 4-H Council to Carrie Simmons of the Carbon 4-H Club and Shannon Geye of Rising Star 4-H Club. Both have served as adult leaders and supported 4-Hers through project and community service projects.

This year 4-Hers who participated at State 4-H RoundUp and won 1st Place at State for Share-The-Fun—Poetry was Jacie Hood. She received a State Certificate of Recognition along with a check for \$75. Alyssa Hood received a Certificate of Achievement for completion of a 2004 State Qualifying Record Book in Gardening and Horticulture.

Receiving awards for 4-H RECORD BOOKS were as follows:

BEEF...Lindsey Herring
BEEF...Skylar McGinn
BEEF...Chance Eckert
CLOTHING & TEXTILES...Geani McGinn
CLOTHING & TEXTILES...Rebekah Nicks
GARDENING & HORTICULTURE...Alyssa Hood
GARDENING & HORTICULTURE...Koby Hood

GOAT...Bibber Nicks
GOAT...Kathryn Kelly
GOAT...Joe Alan Martinez
GOAT...Sidnee Martinez
GOAT...Zach Nall
POULTRY...Aubrey Lawrence

RABBIT...Jacie Hood
RABBIT...Michael Wright
RABBIT...Kinsey Nall
RABBIT...Baillie Nall
SHEEP...Ashley Mitchell
SHEEP...Caden Eckert
SWINE...Tylan Long
SWINE...Chelsea Long
SWINE...Kaycee Long

"CERTIFICATES OF COMPLETION" were presented to the following 4-

H Clover Kids and 4-Hers completing 4-H projects and submitting project record forms:

Clover Kids:
Clinton Carson, Emory Geye, Abrian Harding, Dakota Harding, Karson Hood, Matthew Lawrence, Erin Mayes, Kailee Nall

4-Hers:
Kaden Carson, Shelby Carlton, Jenna Calvert, Brady Gann, Shana Gann, Justin Gery, Maddi Gery, Kasey Guidry, Mason Guidry, Kallie Hallmark, Meagan Hallmark, Albany Harrison, Colton Herrera, Tori Hart, Alisha Moore, Carleigh Moore, McKenzie Osborne, Skylar Raines, Stetson Raines, Keya Seymour, Kristen Seymour, Kateland Simmons, Blair Stone, Sarah Waters, Morgan Wright, Collin Ethridge, Dustin Dove, Tyler Ethridge, Jeremy Finley

SPECIAL 4-H AWARDS:

OUTSTANDING 4-H CLUB SECRETARY

Albany Harrison - Carbon 4-H Club

4-H SCRAPBOOK AWARD

1st Place- Carbon 4-H Club

2nd Place- Rising Star 4-H Club

4-H ROOKIE AWARD

Jenna Calvert-Ranger 4-H Club

Caden Eckert- Carbon 4-H Club

Koby Hood- Rising Star 4-H Club

Aubrey Lawrence- Rising Star 4-H Club

4-H HONOR ROLL MEMBER

Koby Hood- Rising Star 4-H Club

4-H ALL-STAR AWARD

Sarah Flores-Gorman 4-H Club

4-H LETTERMAN AWARD

Alyssa Hood- Rising Star 4-H Club

Jacie Hood- Rising Star 4-H Club

4-H Club members who attend the nine (9) meetings per year are recognized with **100% ATTENDANCE AWARD**. Those receiving the awards were:

CARBON 4-H CLUB

Chance Eckert, Kallie Hallmark, Albany Harrison, Colton Herrera, Kateland Simmons

EASTLAND 4-H CLUB

Katie Barron

RANGER 4-H CLUB

Jenna Calvert, Reagan

Mayes, Keya Seymour, Kristen Seymour, Bret Thompson

RISING STAR 4-H CLUB

Alyssa Hood, Jacie Hoog, Koby Hood, Aubrey Lawrence, Michael Wright

Each year 4-H clubs have the opportunity to recognize their **OUTSTANDING 4-H CLUB MEMBERS**. To receive this honor 4-Hers must submit a record book and attend a required number of club meetings. The following were recognized:

CARBON 4-H CLUB

Chance Eckert

OLDEN 4-H CLUB

Joe Alan Martinez, Ashley Mitchell

RISING STAR 4-H CLUB

Jacie Hood, Tylan Long

The 4-H Club Managers, Assistant Managers and Special Group Leader-Horse, were recognized with **"CERTIFICATES OF APPRECIATION"** for their support and leadership to local 4-H clubs in the county. The following were

recognized:

Rising Star 4-H Club...Kathy Herring, Manager

Red Gap 4-H Club...Tianay Rabb, Manager

Shelley Knight, Assistant Club Manager

Ranger 4-H Club...Amanda Barnes, Manager

Olden 4-H Club...Amy Reed, Manager

Lil Martinez, Assistant Club Manager

Cynthia Mitchell, Assistant Club Manager

Gorman 4-H Club...Amy Wood, Manager

Sandra Osborne, Assistant Club Manager

Eastland 4-H Club...Leeann Barron, Manager

Carbon 4-H Club...Janis Keith, Manager

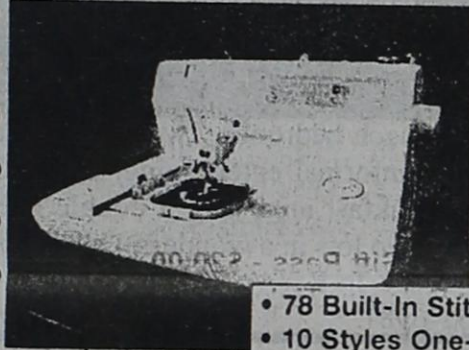
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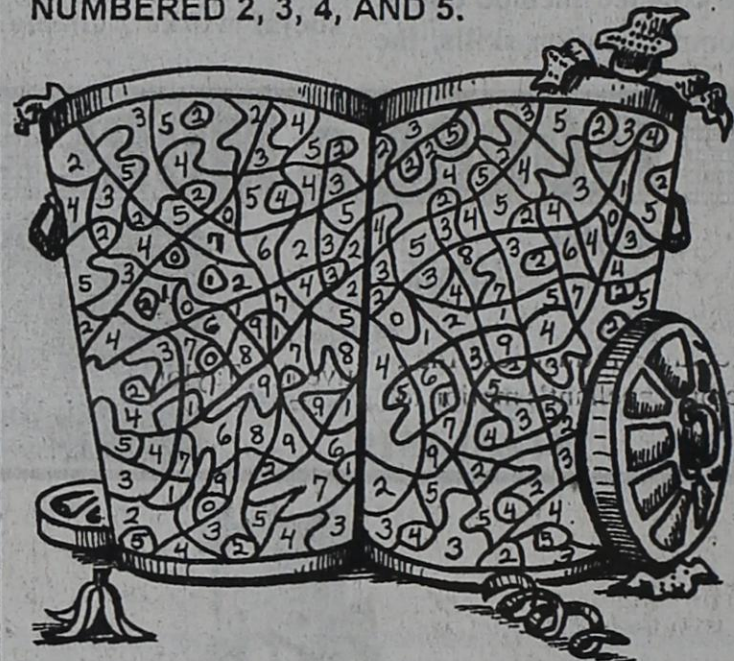
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11th Court of Appeals

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Proceedings (En Banc)
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Affirmed

James Harris v. State of Texas, Harris. (Opinion by Justice Wright) (Panel consists of: Chief Justice Arnot, Justice Wright, and Justice McCall).

Larry Smith v. State of Texas, Harris. (Per Curiam Opinion) (Panel consists of: Justice Wright, Justice McCall, and Justice Hill)

Motion Submitted & Overruled; Appeal Dismissed

Kenneth Derek Johnson v. State of Texas, Taylor. Appellant's pro se motion to continue appeal. (Per Curiam Opinion) (Panel consists of: Chief Justice Arnot, Justice Wright, and Justice McCall)

Order Not Disposing of Case

In the Interest of B.F.N., a Child, Ector. (Order by Justice Wright) (Panel consists of: Chief Justice Arnot, Justice Wright, and Justice McCall)

Motions Submitted & Granted

ConocoPhillips Company, successor in interest by merger to Conoco Inc., and named as Conoco Inc. v. Incline Energy, Midland. Appellee/Cross-Appellant's unopposed motion pursuant to TRAP 38.4 to file longer response to brief of appellant Conoco Phillips Company.

Raymond L. Williams v. McGuire Industries, Inc. Ector. Appellant's motion to associate counsel.

Victor Bastardo v. State of Texas, Brown. State's motion for permission to file late brief.

Randy Hibler v. Nancy Groce Puckett, Taylor. Appellant's motion for leave to supplement reply brief and to reply to Puckett's supplemental brief.

Johnny Ray Taylor v. State of Texas, Midland. Appellant's motion for permission to file late brief.

Matthew Esquivel v. State of Texas, Midland. Appellant's motion for permission to file late brief.

Ronnie Ray Huse v. State of Texas, Erath. Appellant's second motion for extension of time to file brief.

Kavan Lee Cherry v. State of Texas, Midland. Appellant's motion for extension of time to file brief.

National Freight, Inc. v. John Snyder, Taylor. Appellant's motion for extension of time to file brief.

Motions Submitted & Granted in Part

Jeremy Dwan Hall v. State of Texas, Ector. State's second motion for extension of time to file brief.

In re M.R. L., Ector. Appellee's (State) second motion for extension of time to file brief.

William Lawrence Wint v. State of Texas, Ector. Appellant's motion for extension of time to file brief.

Motions Submitted & Overruled

Jimmie R. McMillian; Bruce W. McClymond; FOAG, Inc; First National Bank Albany/Breckenridge; Orison F. "Mack" McDonald, II; McDonald Investments, Inc.; and Ole Chaparral on Possum King-

dom v. Sammy J. Dooiey; Myron R. Johnson, Jr.; and W. Don Smith. Appellees' motion for rehearing. (Panel consists of: Chief Justice Arnot, Justice Wright, and Justice McCall) Appellant's motion to issue mandate.

Ricardo Hinojosa v. Ashcraft Law Firm, A Professional Corporation, and William O. Ashcraft, Individually, Dallas. Appellant's motion for rehearing. (Panel consists of: Chief Justice Arnot, Justice Wright, and Justice McCall).

Lindy O'Dane Ashton v. State of Texas, Taylor. Appellant's pro se motion to appeal pro se with the record.

Louis Leroy Kline v. State of Texas, Palo Pinto. Appellant's pro se motion for extension of time to file brief. Appellant's pro se motion to dismiss counsel and proceed pro se on appeal. Appellant's pro se motion for leave to file supplemental brief.

In re Tyrone Johnson, Orig. Proc. Relator's pro se motion to appeal decision. (Panel consists of: Chief Justice Arnot, Justice Wright, and Justice McCall).

In re Eric Michael Whitfield, Orig. Proc. Relator's pro se motion for rehearing. (Panel consists of: Chief Justice Arnot, Justice Wright, and Justice McCall).

Cases Submitted
In the Matter of F.V.B., a juvenile, Midland.

Ronald Lee Smock v. State of Texas, Midland.

In the interest of D.D.T. and B.D.T., Howard.

In the Matter of C.E.F., a juvenile, Taylor.

Ex parte David Lee Jarman, Ector.

The Pisgah Cemetery Association To Meet October 14 In Cisco

The Pisgah Cemetery Association will hold a called meeting to elect a new Treasurer on Thursday, October 14th at 7 p.m. in the home of

Mary Bob Leverage, 1401 West 13th St. in Cisco. For further information, call (325) 893-4759. Everyone is encouraged to attend.

Political Analysis Forum To Be Held Oct. 21st

The public is invited to a Political Analysis Forum on Educational Issues presented by Rhonda Eckert and Officials of the Association of Texas Professional Educators on Thursday, October 21, 2004 at 6:00 P.M. in the Siebert Elementary School Cafeteria, Eastland, Texas.

This will be hosted by Beta Upsilon Chapter Of The Delta Kappa Gamma Society, International.

Cisco Public Library Book & Bake Sale Friday

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At Canterbury Drug Discount Cards To Be Explained

Jeannie Williams, Representative for the West Texas Council of Government will be at Canterbury Villa of Cisco as a service to the community to discuss any questions that you have regarding the new Medicare ap-

proved Drug Discount Card. We strongly encourage the public to attend. If you know of anyone who may need assistance with attaining information on the new Drug Discount Card; please, let them know of the time and date of the meeting.

This meeting will be held at Canterbury Villa of Cisco in the Chapel Area on Thursday, Oct. 28th at 3 p.m. If you have any questions; please feel free to contact Ken Petty, Administrator or Rita R. Raymond, Social Worker at (254) 442-4202.

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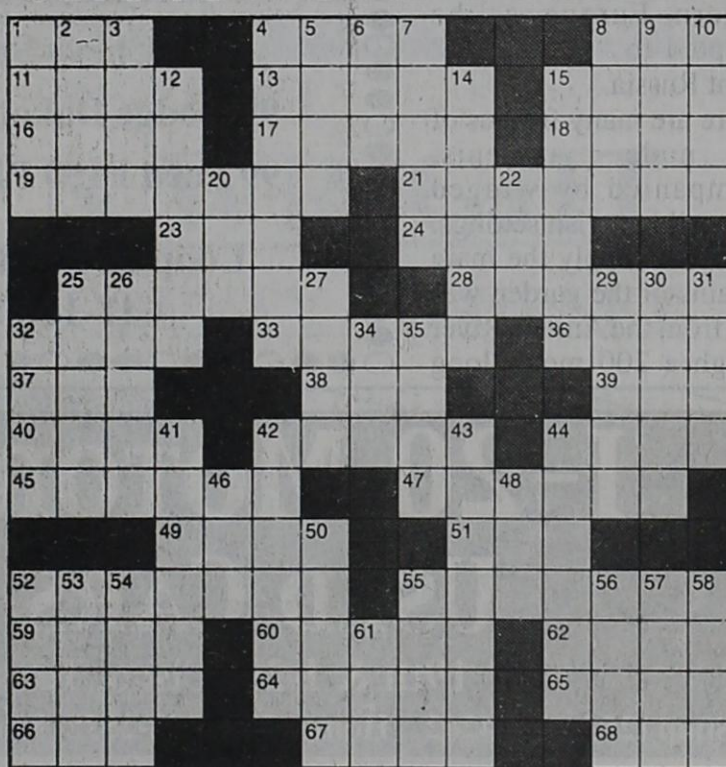
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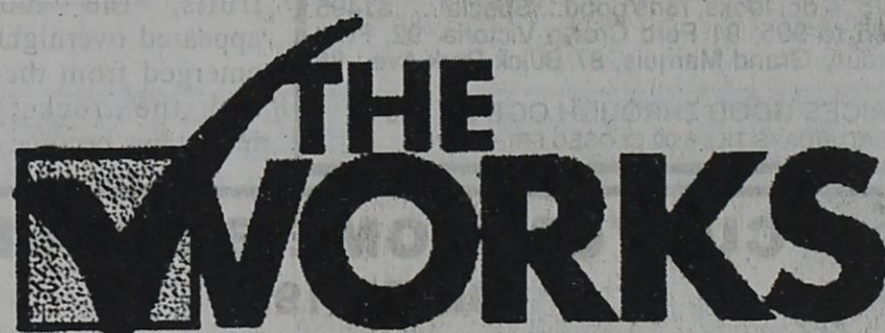
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3 Innocents Aboard...

H.V.O., GNO & Vance
A birthday party Saturday afternoon at a neighbors gave us the opportunity to meet many of our kids community friends and to hear a really outstanding tenor, a member of the Canadian Royal Mounted Police on diplomatic duty in Rome. And restful pool duty with the four Joys rounded out a restful day but come Sunday...

Amy wanted to check out a new city bus tour (on and off as you choose) to see if

she wanted to recommend it through her office to newcomers, and to give us a quick (2 hour) overview of the sights and sounds of Rome. Leaving from the central train station, it was a double decker, and to get the best view, we unwisely chose the top—it was still summertime, under a bright sun. But with a map it was a good, rolling views of the major points: the coliseum, St. Peter's Square, the major buildings, fountains, plazas and monuments which make

up this ancient world city. We would walk much of this later under Amy's guidance. The maps make it look so doable; on foot, the narrow sidewalks, mobs of people, jig-saw blocks and streets, and up and down climbs, not to mention steps galore all tax the stamina of the young and not-so-young. Through in the mix of zooming motorenas (they're not just motor scooters anymore) and automobiles which apparently take every inch available and you've got a real workout to go from Point A to Point B. (One guide book's advice to would-be foreign drivers in Roma: "Don't". You can know that we are not to comfortable knowing that daily Vince and Amy each drive to and from their complex to downtown Rome and the four Joys are bused to and from their American School for some distance.)

Come Monday, and "serious" sight-seeing got underway.

Outside Rome, there is Tivoli, a town that has become synonymous with parks for collective recreation. Vance had been to Versailles in France, so could make comparison with the Villa de' Este, here which has been designated by UNESCO as a world heritage site. It has terraces, impressive concentrations of fountains, nymphaez, water jets and water powered musical instruments, much emulated model for European gardens of Mannerist and Baroque periods. A castle and garden landscaping you wouldn't believe.

Thoughts of old images of the fabled "hanging gardens of Babylon, one of the wonders of the antique world, come to mind. One master of words at its dedication in 1567 said of d'Este, described it glowingly like this:

"in the works at Tivoli, it is fitting for nature to confess that it has been overcome by art and by the splendor of its soul...the woods grown and trees filled with sweetest fruits, the mountains appeared overnight having emerged from the valleys and the...rocks of the mountains become beds for

rivers and the rock cleft to make way for water which has flooded the dry land, irrigated by fountains and running streams, and very rare fish-ponds"

The man who masterminded the elaborate project was Cardinal d'Este (1509-72), son of Lucrezia Borgia and nephew of Pope Alexander VI. (He was also related to the King Francois I of France. He was governor of Tivoli from 1550 and conceived the idea of building a garden on the steep slope under the Palace.

The initial works must have been done during Italy's "golden era" since all the buildings were elaborately decorated with the riches of furnishings, but the guides told us that the wealth of the antiquities and furnishings were lost and only the stuccoes and frescoes offer evidence of this former splendor. Decorations on the lower floor, the reception areas, ranged from the sacred to the profane. Cardinal d'Este in 1605 started the major renewal of the gardens which led to construction of new fountains designed by among others, no less than the famed Italian artist Bernini.

The Villa was abandoned in the 18th century and most of the furnishings were dispersed to museums throughout Europe. The property was inherited by the Habsburgs in the early 1800s, and the property became state property during the First World War. Between the World Wars the Villa was revived by the loving restoration work, and the scientific restoration campaign continues today. Much of the beautiful work in the vaulted ceilings of the rooms are unfinished, but detailed beyond belief. Much of what you see, decoration-wise, is reminiscent of the palaces of St. Petersburg, where Czar Peter the Great copied the elaborateness of southern Europe as he attempted to "westernize" ancient Russia.

There are many frescos of the nude ancients, accompanied by winged angels, all in lavish settings.

Water to supply the main fountains of the garden was taken from the Aniene River through a 200 meter long



The Mountain of the Aniene with statues of Apennines and Tiber.

underground d conduit dug in 1564-65.

It was still a hot August day as the four of us left the castle and started down the long stairs into the gardens, through grottos, archways and generally onto vistas of lush foliage, elaborate stone work and flowing fountains.

A water-park as we known them, it is not, but you could imagine young folks enjoying splashing their way through these fountains. It's a tourist stop, and folks in Rome come here to escape the city life—and you can immediately see why.

Visual and peaceful scenes abound but one of the really outstanding exhibits is the

"water organ," the first of its kind reportedly, that hydraulically forces air through the pipes creating traditional organ music.

Only two of the giant ancient cypresses planted in the 17th century survive today—old and gnarled, but beautiful.

And yes, there are market (souvenir) shops along the way to and gardens.

All in all, beautiful beyond belief and surely a display that challenges us amateur gardeners.

Returning, we found that Vince, with the "help" of the little ones, had put together a most-welcome Italian meal, hot, ready and welcome.



Apotheosis of the Nobility, centre of the ceiling in the Room of Nobility Room of Glory.

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Services. Mr. Bacon was a member of Central Baptist church in Abilene. Survivors include his wife, Betty of Clyde; three sons, Eddie Bacon and Lee Bacon, both of Yakima, WA and Phil Bacon of Spur, TX; three daughters, Pam Broadus and Ann Maner, both of Clyde and Denese Red of Okolona, MS; 22 grandchildren, seven great-grandchildren and several nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents, two sisters and one brother. Burial was in Plantersville, MS on Wednesday, October 13, 2004.

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For more information on any of these events please contact the church: 854-1574

(Nursery provided for worship services)

Sunday School - 9:45 A.M.

Worship Service - 11:00 A.M.

Prayer Time In Sanctuary - 5:00 P.M.

Evening Service - 6:00 P.M.

Wednesday Service - 7:00 P.M.

Coming Soon

Monday, October 25 at 6:30 PM - Ladies Night Out - this is a great blessing - Come and Grow in God's Love. All ladies in the community are invited to attend.

Call Margaret @ 254-629-1707 with all your local events and news. Fax #: 254-629-2092
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Baird First United Methodist Church News

Fit For God Class

We are excited about a new study starting this month. Its Fit for God, by La Vita Weaver. It is the 8 week plan that kicks the Devil out and invites Health and Healing In.

We are offering two time slots each week. One for a day study and one for evenings. They will be Tuesday nights at 7:00 p.m. starting Oct. 19th, and Thursday mornings starting at 10:00 a.m. on Oct. 21, 2004.

Please call me for further information, 854-5926 or 370-4323 (my cell). Books can be purchased at either of the Christian book stores in town or at Amazon.com. come and Join us, it will be fun!

Donna Giger

Church Charge Conference
Sunday, Oct. 17th

We will meet as a cluster;

us, Eula & Patosi, here on our campus starting at: 3:30 p.m. Church at worship. Sermon by D. S. 4:30 p.m. Video presentation "Small Churches Can Make a Difference." 5:30 p.m. Dinner/Pot Luck, prepared by us. Deserts will be provided by Eula U. M. C. 6:30 p.m. Charge Conference Let us worship together. Praising God for all that is has been good in 2004 and begin planning for 2005!

Baird First United Methodist Church
Worship Services
Sunday School - 9:45 A.M.
Sunday Worship - 10:45 A.M.
Choir Practice - Sunday, 6:00 P.M.
New Bible Study to begin Oct. 10th
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Reprimands, Indictments Make News

by Viola Payne
With reprimands to House Majority Leader Tom DeLay in Washington, and indictments in Austin on campaign financing, it is difficult to focus exclusively on local events these days.

More than ever, international, national, and state news is also local. It jumps right into our lives and affects us, invited or not.

There were three reprimands last week from the U.S. House Ethics Committee on House Majority Leader Tom DeLay, a Republican Congressman from Sugarland, Texas. DeLay is deeply involved in Texas politics - some say that he and Texas Speaker of the House Tom Craddick of Midland run these politics.

On Sept. 30 the House Ethics Committee said that DeLay "acted improperly" when he offered to endorse the son of a retiring Michigan Senator if he would change his vote on the Medicare Prescription Drug Benefit bill. (DeLay had a hand in that bill, by the way.)

Then on Oct. 6 the Committee announced that it had admonished DeLay on two counts filed against him by Texas Rep. Cliff Bell, a Democrat who lost his re-election bid after the Texas Legislators passed a redistricting plan engineered by DeLay.

In the first reprimand, the Committee raised objections to a June 2002 golf resort fund-raiser held by DeLay and attended by energy company officials. This took

place as House and Senate conferees were beginning to work on energy legislation.

The Committee also reprimanded DeLay for drafting Federal Aviation Administration officials to track a plane carrying Texas State Legislators who had gone to Ardmore, Oklahoma in 2003 to avoid a vote on the Republican Redistricting Plan.

Reportedly DeLay was also chastised by the Committee in 1999 for his intervention in a trade group's hiring of a retiring Democratic Congressman. DeLay had reportedly threatened retaliation if the group gave the job to a member of the opposition.

The Committee put off action on another count in the complaint, which charges that DeLay, using his PAC in Texas, channeled corporate contributions to candidates for state office. This matter is under investigation by the District Attorney in Austin right now, and several have already been indicted on that.

We continue to be interested in those investigations by the office of Travis County District Attorney Ronnie Earle into the 2002 election finances. For almost two years a number of Corporations and several Republican leaders have been investigated for their part in these transactions.

Under Texas law, corporate money can't be used for direct political use, only for administrative use for campaigns.

The election in 2002 resulted in the GOP takeover of the Texas House, setting the stage for the Legislature to pass a congressional redistricting plan promoted by U. S. House Majority Leader Tom DeLay, aided by House Speaker Tom Craddick and others.

Those indicted on Sept. 21 were James Ellis, an aide to Tom DeLay, for money laundering, a first degree felony. Also indicted were John Colyandro, Executive Director of Texans For a Republican Majority (TRMPAC), money laundering, and 13 counts of accepting illegal contributions. The other indicted was Warren RoBold, DeLay fundraiser, 9 count of solicitations and of accepting illegal contributions.

The companies indicted on various charges were Queterra Corporation, Westar Energy (Kans.), Diversified Collection Services (California), Sears Roebuck Co., The Williams Companies, Barcardi Co., Cracker Barrel, and Alliance for Quality Home Nursing Care.

Other companies are under investigation, with other indictments expected to be filed.

Texas House Speaker Tom Craddick reportedly accepted the \$100,000 contribution from the Alliance for Nursing Home Care. His attorney has stated that he took it and gave it to TRMPAC, and it was up to them to see that it was used according to the law.

Although Tom DeLay, Craddick and some other Republican leaders insist that all their transactions were legal, a few signs of uneasiness show up now and then.

For example, at least one Republican Congressional candidate is backing away from calling himself a Oteam player. He is not apparently preferring to be known as an Oindependent thinker!

It is supposed that other indictments are on hold until after the election.

Crime Scene Investigators to Speak at The Grace

Abilene, TX - Follow in the foot steps of crime scene investigators at The Grace Museum and learn how science affects crime scene investigating in the real world.

On Thursday, October 21 from 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. The Grace Museum will have Mystery at The Grace; Solving Crimes with Science, a night dedicated to learning about the use of science to solve crimes.

Abilene Police Department Crime Scene Investigators will walk through actual crime scene investigations explaining how science was used to solve those cases. Students will be able to participate in hands-on activities, including the opportunity to "clear" a crime scene in The Grace.

Mystery at The Grace: Solving Crimes with science is an evening for 7th through 12th grade students only. Activities are from 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. and admission is FREE. Please contact Heather Kuhn at 673-4587 for more information.

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Thursday, Oct. 14
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Friday, Oct. 15
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Monday, Oct. 18
Ham & Cheese, Sandwiches, Lettuce & Tomatoes, Carrot & Celery, Sticks, Milk

Tuesday, Oct. 19
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BAIRD BEARS

Varsity Football Schedule

In their first district game of the season, the Baird Bears Varsity won over Ranger 26 to 14. The Bears meet Goldthwaite on Friday, October 15 at Baird. The game starts at 7:30 P.M. Goldthwaite won over Cross Plains 56 - 0 in Friday's game. Go Bears!

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| October 15 | *Goldthwaite | Here | 7:30 |
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Mascot - Dana Blair
Managers - Emalie Green, Ike Dickey, Jesse Mendez, Garrett Jennings, Logan Donlan
Band Director - Donna Sikes

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| 2 | Blan Scott | 11 | QB/FS | 6'0 | 170 |
| 3 | Chance Rodriquez | 11 | WR/DB | 6'1 | 155 |
| 9 | Chase Goldsmith | 12 | WR/DB | 5'10 | 155 |
| 15 | Matt Reynolds | 12 | HB/DE | 5'10 | 165 |
| 21 | Chris Cogburn | 10 | QB/DB | 5'7 | 150 |
| 22 | Zach Green | 12 | RB/DL | 5'7 | 165 |
| 29 | Justin Patterson | 10 | RB/LB | 5'8 | 165 |
| 30 | Chris Jones | 9 | RB/DB | 5'7 | 150 |
| 32 | Blake Mendez | 12 | WR/DB | 5'6 | 140 |
| 33 | Jed Womack | 11 | RB/LB | 5'9 | 160 |
| 38 | Jayce Barbee | 9 | WR/DB | 5'6 | 130 |
| 40 | Sid Walton | 11 | RB/LB | 5'9 | 150 |
| 44 | Cody Shouse | 11 | RB/LB | 5'6 | 155 |
| 50 | Andrew Emmert | 9 | OL/DL | 5'11 | 170 |
| 51 | Justin Roberts | 10 | OL/LB | 5'11 | 190 |
| 52 | Brad Matlock | 11 | OL/LB | 5'11 | 215 |
| 53 | Carter Burford | 12 | OL/LB | 5'11 | 175 |
| 60 | Jeramie Brooks | 9 | OL/DL | 5'9 | 200 |
| 62 | Kyle Dillard | 12 | OL/DL | 5'11 | 240 |
| 65 | Richardo Lopez | 12 | OL/DL | 5'8 | 150 |
| 70 | Roger Wamsley | 11 | OL/DL | 5'11 | 220 |
| 72 | Judd Clark | 10 | OL/DL | 5'7 | 245 |
| 75 | Tim Burns | 12 | OL/DL | 6'0 | 315 |
| 79 | Koby Parker | 10 | OL/DL | 6'0 | 242 |
| 80 | Jacob Dillard | 9 | TE/DL | 5'8 | 175 |
| 83 | Will Green | 12 | WR/DB | 6'0 | 175 |
| 85 | Aaron Hazelwood | 9 | WR/DB | 5'4 | 125 |
| 88 | James Roberts | 12 | TE/DE | 6'5 | 210 |

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