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The Baird MFT & Student Council will host the annual

Fall Festival & Spook House

on Friday, Oct. 31, downtown at "The Arches" and Boydstun's building, 7:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m.. There will be games, food, and prizes for the whole family!! Please come for a safe and fun Halloween!!!



Tim Turnbeaugh



Tim Turnbeaugh of Cisco Releases CD

Country singer known to Baird and Clyde

through performances at The Pizza House

Tim Turnbeaugh, CJC Green of Stephenville. student and singer, has his first CD out! It sure won't be his last, thanks to the quality of this one.

Titled "My Heart Followed You," the CD was recorded in Nashville in August. It has seven country/western ballads and three gospel songs, and Tim is backed up with a studio band.

This includes Buddy Spicher of Nashville with his sweet-sounding fiddle, several guitars, and a piano and drums.Tim also plays his guitar.

Co-producers of the CD are Buddy Spicher and Parham Carroll Stephenville. Parham is coordinator of the Cross Timbers Opry, where Tim sings frequently.

The CD is being distributed on the Cowboy Capitol label out of Stephenville.

Tim picked out some of his favorite numbers to record, including signature song. "My Heart Followed You" is an original, appealing composed by Jimmie M.

The other ballads have the same lyrical quality, and are

suited for Tim's fresh, clear voice. He includes "I Thought I Heard You Call My Name," "Down Texas Way," and several more traditional numbers.

The gospel songs really add to the CD, for Tim puts a lot of sincerity into his gospel music. He sings "We Shall Not Be Moved," the little known but beautiful "Don't Overlook Salvation," and concludes the CD with "A Beautiful Life."

The producers and band should be commended for the style they used in this production. accompaniment is geared to each of Tim's selections, so there is variety. Also, there is no overpowering of the soloist by the background music - as sometimes happens.

Fans who have heard Tim sing at area musicals or at Church will definitely want his CD. He will have some available at the Musical at Scranton on Nov. 1. Or you may call Tim at 442-4255 or 442-3040 to obtain one. They are priced at \$12 each.

Council is The Baird ISD Student holding a Canned Food Drive From October 27 - November 7. Nonperishable food items only. Please send donations with your child to the class sponsors.

Callahan County 4-H Food **Show Announces Winners**

The Callahan County 4-H Food Show was held Saturday, October 25, at the Baird School Cafeteria. A special thanks goes out to Lawrence Brothers IGA -Clyde for sponsoring this years Food Show.

Twenty-four 4-H members part-icipated in four food divisions according to age. The first place winners in each division, except the Sub-Junior division, will advance to District competition on November 22nd in Abilene, Texas.

The entries were as follows: *denotes advancing to District

Senior Division (14-19 years old)

Main Dish *Lance Fielder Breads/Cereals *Rebeccca Hamilton Intermediate Division (12-13 years old)

Main Dish

*Whitney Richardson Breads/Cereals *Chanda Miller **Junior Division** (9-11 years old) Main Dish Landon Hart Sierra Carr *Michelle Robbins

Ashley Click

Fruits/Vegetables Melanie Cooper Mackenzie Keller *Hannah Capra Breads/Cereals Katelynn Michell *Paige Galindo **Sub-Junior Division**

(8 years & under) Main Dish Meagan Cooper Fruits/Vegetables Kaitlyn Robinson **Nutritious Snacks** Maegan Buchanan Garron Hamilton Allison Robbins Jeremy Hamilton Trisha Burnett Kaylee Voigts

Historic Farm And Ranch **Applications** Due Nov. 15

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Combs commended past honorees and those who submitted their have applications for this year's program for their hard work in making Texas agriculture what it is today - the second largest industry in the state.

"Each family's agricultural legacy is an integral part of our state's agricultural success," Combs said. "This program recognizes each family's contribution to

(Continued Inside) Please See Farm



Bottom row, left to right, is Emily Hubbard. Second row are Kaylee Voigts, Jeremy Texas agriculture and the Hamilton, Garron Hamilton, Meagan Cooper, Melanie Cooper, Kaitlyn Robinson, Maegan county where their ancestors Buchanan. Third row are Charleie Voigts, Katelynn Mitchell, Trisha Burnett, Jarrod settled. "Farms and ranches Hamilton, Alliso Robbins, Sierra Carr, Landon Hart and Ashley Click. Fourth row are that qualify will be honored Hannah Capra, Paige Galindo, Rebecca Hamilton, Michelle Robbins, Whitney Richardson, Chanda Miller and Mackenzie Keller. Not pictured is Lance Fiedler.

Guest Slot

OCT. 31 IS of great significance:

A long time ago, before Christians evangelized Great Britain, the Druids began their year on the first day of November. At that time the goblins and witches had their last fling. Bonfires were lighted to drive them away.

Years later, the Roman Catholic Church decided to have one day in which they would remember their saints. They called it All Saints Day, and November 1 was set aside for this day. There was a celebration for this day on the evening of October 31, and it was called All Hallows Eve. It's from a mixture of

superstition and religion that we have our present Halloween. But another thing happened on October 31. At twelve noon, in the city of Wittenberg, a young monk named Martin Luther nailed his Ninety-Five Theses to the church door. This day is the birthday of the evangelical faith.



The Texas Department of Health will hold the following Immunization clinics in Callahan County:

Monday, November 10th Baird Cafetorium. 400 West 7th, 10:00 AM - 12 Wednesday, November 12th Clyde Community Resource Center 306 N. 1st, 10-12 & 1:30 - 3 PM Please bring child's Immunization Records For more information call 325/754-4945

Baird Elementary Citizen Of The Week



Issac Diaz - Mrs. Hatfield's 4th grade son of Jesse Diaz and Cindy Cortinaz.

First Baptist Church Of **Baird Events Scheduled**

prayer by 7:30 a.m.

Nov. 9 6:00 p.m. The first

night of REVIVAL with Steve

Peace, pastor of First Baptist

Church in Marble Falls,

preaching and Donny Har-

bors, pastor of First Baptist in

Hamlin, leading the music.

There will be a sandwich fel-

lowship after the first night of

Nov. 10 7:00 p.m. RE-

Each one of you are invited after food, fellowship and to join us at the corner of Race and 3rd St. in Baird.

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

Nov. 2 Starting this day for the next three weeks the Youth of First Baptist Church of Baird will be holding a food drive to benefit the Clothes Closet food pantry. Some may be going door to door asking for donations. If you would like to contribute, please call Ryan Ward, youth minister, 854-1903 or the church office for the youth to pick up any canned goods or you can bring them by the church office from 8:30 - 5:00 Monday - Thursday.

Nov. 2 7:00 p.m. The Annual Associational Meeting of Callahan County will be held at First Baptist Church, Clyde. There will be no evening activities at First Baptists Church of Baird.

Nov. 3 6:00 p.m. Tony Savarese will hare his testimony and explain the ministry of Chosen People Ministries. Tony was raised a Conservative Jew in the New York City area. As a child, he attended Synagogue and loved the holidays, but felt empty inside, as God seemed far away. In his adult life, he came to faith in Jesus and has been involved in reaching Jews for Jesus.

Nov. 4 6:30 a.m. Men's Prayer Breakfast. Breakfast is ready to eat at 6:30 a.m. for all men in the community. Men be ready to face the day

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invited to come for a time of breakfast and prayer. Breakfast will be ready at 7:00 a.m.

Nov. 11 6:00 p.m. CHURCH IN REVIVAL, Special Senior Adult night.

Nov. 11, 7:00 a.m. All the

ladies in the community are

Nov. 12 7:00 p.m. Special youth night at revival. Watch for more information coming

> Advertise In The County Classifieds

D. P. S. Report

10-05-03 to 10-11-03

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There were 6 accidents investigated during this time

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Cases Investigated Warnings - 97

Complaints - 79 DWI-2 Public Intoxication - 1

of Alcohol-Minor - 1 Open container - 2 Fugitive Arrest - Theft by Check - 2

Accidents

There were 2 accidents investigated during this time

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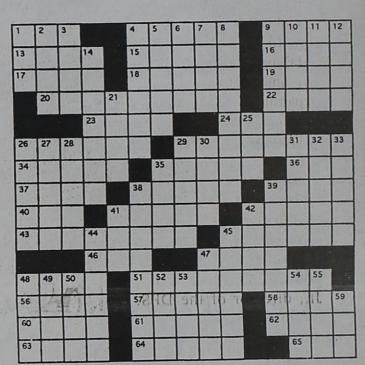
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today," Combs said. "It is a great way to recognize your family's hard work and dedication, and a wonderful gift to pass on to your children and grandchildren."

Applications area avail-

Tencourage landowners able through County Judges, who have a family farm or TDA's Web site at ranch that qualifies to apply www.agri.state.tx.us or by contacting Family Land Heritage Coordinator Melissa Blair, Texas Department of Agriculture, P.O. Box 12847, Austin, Texas 78711 or(512) 463-2631.

Morton Valley Past and Present

By Wanda Lee Beck Skinner

My mind took me back in time to the days when there were a lot of dinners in the community. The memories of the food that some of the women brought to these meals made me so hungry. I am going to list some of the foods and the people who brought them. We are going to do a cook book berecipes and we really would

the recipes if they have some of them. Ada Tankersley -Egg Custard, Pauline Skinner-Bread Pudding, Ottie Wheat-cheese dip-Pineapple up Side Down Cake, Lois Terrell- Martha Washington Candy and German Chocolate Cake, Leona Daniel & Juanita Milford-Fresh Apple Sauce Cake, Nora Harbinfore the end of this year of Carrot Cake, Jacks Beck-Angle Biscuits & No Cook like to have relatives of the Cookies, Alma Matthews people mentioned send us Coconut Cake & cooked

Dennie Beck cornbread dressing & black eyed peas. Olena Williamson -Hello Dolly Cookies, These are just a few of the good things I remember eating as we gathered together for many different occasions. If you have a recipe to share with us from past people in Morton Valley send them to Maria Beck 2551 Highway 112 Eastland Texas 76448, as soon as possible. We welcome recipes from any of your with Morton Valley community or church ties.

The time change really threw me off yesterday and my mind just did not want to adjust.

But the cool weather felt wonderful. I think it is time to prepare for the winter. We do need rain so at this point in the article I will invite you to attend the Morton Valley Circle of Prayer for Rain November 2 at 1:30 in the of this year.

Thursday, October 30, 2003 annex of Harmony Baggar Church. We need all or you Bring your favorite Bible Verse, prayer request and a reading that has influenced your life. We do need rain.

Brother Teel of Harmony preached a sermon on the material part of life, and discovered that because God created all things, they really belong to Him but we have a great responsibility toward our care of all that we call ours. Lyndell Garrett had the children's sermon, Debra Daniels sang "He Touched Me' as a special, Barbara Rogers read the Scripture from Ecclesiastes, Ashlev performed on her band instrument for the offertory and Paul Sparkman led the singing. Come and join in the Christian fellowship any time. The door is open to welcome you.

Please contact me with the news of illness, trips and visitors. May God bless you real good this week and the rest

> at. 8:00 am-5:00 pm Service Dept.

8:00 am-6 pm

Sat. 8:00 am- Noon

Be Safe This Halloween

Darkness settles and Jacko-lantern's ghoulish smile beckons little ghosts and hobgoblins to come out to play. In hopes that all the night's partakers return home safe and sound, the Texas Department of Safety is reminding Texans to be safe and responsible this Halloween.

"Halloween is a fun time for both children and adults, but oftentimes people act or drive carelessly or are not aware of their surroundings," said Col. Thomas A. Dayis Jr., director of the DPS: "Many pedestrians will be on the streets, and drivers need to watch for them."

To prevent tragedy befalling our children, motorists are urged to drive slowly in neighborhoods and to be on the lookout for trick-or-treat-

Safety tips for trick-ortreaters include:

· Look both ways before crossing roadways. Always walk, don't run.

· Cross the roadway at intersections and crosswalks when possible.

· Avoid toy guns and knives-they could be mistaken for the real thing.

· Wear costumes that are light in color, and short enough to avoid tripping.

· Wear shoes that fit

· Reflective material of some kind on the costume is strongly encouraged.

· Avoid masks-use face paint instead for better visibility and peripheral vision.

· Travel in groups with adult supervision.

· Do not enter the cars and homes of strangers. Avoid homes without visible porch lights.

· Carry a flashlight and make sure an adult accompanies small children.

· Exercise caution when crossing streets.

· Never trick-or-treat in unfamiliar areas.

· Take all treats home for an adult to inspect before cating anything. Never eat unwrapped candy.

· Make sure children know their home phone number and how to call 9-1-1 (or their local emergency number) if they have an emergency or become lost.



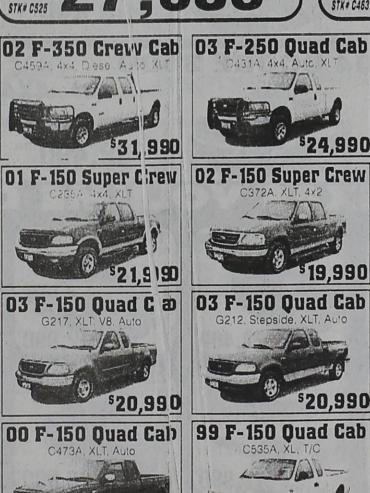
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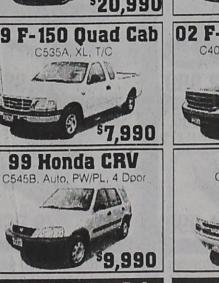




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Eastland, Texas Proceedings (En Banc) October 23, 2003

Affirmed

Stevan Ray Warren v. State of Texas, Dallas. (Opinion by Justice Wright) (Panel consists of: Chief Justice Arnot, Justice Justice Wright, and McCall).

Billy Richardson v. State of Texas, Dallas. (Opinion by Chief Justice Arnot) (Panel consists of: Chief Justice Arnot, Justice Wright, and Justice McCall).

Healix Infusion Therapy. Inc. v. Nicholas C. Bellos, M.D., P.A., Dallas. (Memorandum Opinion by Justice Wright) (Panel consists of: Chief Justice Arnot, Justice Wright, and Justice McCall).

John Charles Barr v. State of Texas, Collin. (Opinion by Chief Justice Arnot) (Panel consists of: Chief Justice Arnot, Justice Wright, and Justice McCall).

Appeals Dismissed

Charail Dominique McDaniel v. State of Texas, Nolan. (Per Curiam Opinion) (Panel consists of: Chief Justice Arnot, Justice Wright, and Justice McCall).

In re Charail McDaniel, Orig. Proc. (Per Curiam Opinion) (Panel consists of: Chief Justice Arnot, Justice and Justice Wright, McCall).

Motions Submitted & Granted: Appeals Dismissed

Tri-Star Petroleum Company v. Tipperary Corporation, Tipperary Oil & Gas Corporation, Tipperary Oil & Gas, (Austraila) PTY LTD, Midland. (Per Curiam Memorandum Opinion) (Panel consists of: Chief Justice Arnot, Justice Wright, and Justice McCloud) Appellees' motion to dismiss for want of jurisdiction.

Henry Gene Stewart v. Stacy Mae Stewart, Taylor. Appellant's motion to dismiss appeal. (Per Curiam Memorandum Opinion) (Panel consists of: Chief Justice Arnot, Justice Wright, and Justice McCall).

Motion Submitted & Granted; Appeal Abated

Alamo Title Company v. Rodolfo Romero, Harris. Appellee's motion to abate appeal. (Per Curiam Order) (Panel consists of: Chief Justice Arnot, Justice and Justice Wright, McCall).

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time to file brief. Roy Day, Jr. et al v. Knox County Appraisal, Knox. Appellee's motion for extension of time to file brief.

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Darrell Pollock v. State of Texas, Throckmorton. State's motion for extension of time

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Texas, Harris. Appellant's second motion for extension of time to file brief. Charles Sylvester Alridge, III v. State of Texas,

Galveston. Appellant's motion for extension of time to file motion to reinstate appeal (motion for rehearing).

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& Gas (Australia) PTY LTD, Midland. Appellant's motion to supplement the record.

Motions Submitted & **Granted** in Part

Rene Julio Hernandez v. State of Texas, Dallas. Appellant's pro se motion for extension of time to file brief.

Motions Submitted & Overruled

Charail Dominique McDaniel v. State of Texas, Taylor. Appellant's pro se motion for appeal bond, motion to release for appeals pending. (Per Curiam Order) (Panel consists of: Chief Justice Arnot, Justice Wright,

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"Dead" Cowboy Statue Replaced, **Boosted Fame of Outfit** "John Wesley Hardened is

dead; long live John Actually, he was a nameless cowboy statue, one of a

dozen paper-ma-something figurines created by the artists of Abilene's Center for Contemporary Arts as publicity for the Center, maybe to raise a little money, andwhat the heck- this is West Texas, where there are more cowboys than cows.

(The first time I heard the term "drugstore cowboy" was some 65 years ago when my family was hiking in the South Mountains of Phoenix and met two guys in fuzzy chaps, pointy boots, and ten-gallon hats. My father later explained they were drugstore cowboys, and I probably wanted to know "What is a drugstore?". Now, there are certainly more cowboys than

drugstores.) The CCA collection of highly modified window dummies is called "Texas Myths and Legends" and includes a lawman, a judge, a rancher, a ranch wife, a buffalo soldier, an Indian, and a "whited sepulchre" (which was a common public reference to prostitutes on the frontier.) They look the parts and have voice boxes describing their spe-

cifics. And they were getting pretty well known anyway, with gigs at the State Capitol, assorted fairs, and various community events.

Avi T. Deshmukh, M.D., F.A.C.S.

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Soo cou manage sou dou cos

Then, while the T M and L Outfit was appearing at oilpatch boomtown Desdemona, the cowboy figure disappeared. He was found later at Lak Leon by Deputy Sheriff Elton McCoy, but terminally wounded, missing his gun and his voicebox.

Linda Murray has created his recplacement, an older and hopefully wiser figure, but the attack on the cowboy got state and national publicity, which increased visits to TM & L events but also made it seem appropriate to memorialize the savaged cowboy.

So Richard Metzger, director of the CCA, has announced a memorial session for the cowboy during Artwalk Nov. 13 in downtown Abilene.

I wrote a memorial ode and presumed to give him a name: "John Wesley Hardened".

Some papers that carry this column and don't mind a little verse will be carrying the ode.

Hopefully, it will get me invited to some of these cowboy poetry fests.

And I'm still looking for the long poetic biography of John Wesley Hardin (the real thing) I wrote in Spanish for a Spanish class in El Paso 50 years ago, just in case...

Memorial Ode for a **Hardened Cowboy** By Sam Pendergrast Artwalk Ceremonies

November 13, 2003 Well, John Wesley Hardened was a cowboyin' fool Who lived his life by the

Texas Golden Rule: Always look for a woman

And other old-timers will remember the Hadened kid And the downright, up

So we decided to hold a memorial celebration

To show the thanks of a grateful former Lone Star

So now all the growther dummies can say with you,

Hardened, R.I.P.

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who is beautiful and true. And do unto others fore they get a chance to do unto

He'd cut trails from Little Abilene to the Kansas origi-

Through dust and ice and floods- but it wasn't ever

He'd seen the gold fields and survived the warpaths And sometimes crossed three or four states between

He could talk, all night about the girls of California And how all you gold chasers spoiled it, darnya.

He was last seen camped out at Desdemona with his

Lawmen and Indians and buffalo soldiers and all them

When dawn broke he was gone to the great beyond--Deputy Sheriff McCoy, found what was left at Lake

Missin' body parts and, of course, his trusty gun Without which even a

dummy can't live under the Texas sun.

And, worst of all, his voice box was nowhere to be So he couldn't even tell

who smashed him to the And did away with all his

cowboy devil-may-care. Oh, there'll be another cowboy to replace him there.

In the T M and L (TTexas Myths and Legends") Out-

Honorary frontier sawbones Linda Murray worked hard on it.

His replacement will be: older and wiser, they say, So the T M and L can ride herd for another day.

But T M and L creators Anthony and Mary K. Huff, Martha Kiel and Russel Ellison, and L. Mus sure

standing. West Texas thing-

Here's to John Wesley

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Not So Idle Thoughts From Around Somebody's **Percolating Coffee Pot**

Some of our acquaintance have wondered outloud how we're all being served by what amounts to a one-party system of government from the White House to the Courthouse.

Starting at the top, most of us have at least approved, if not been delighted, at the war in Iraq. Most saw the need for helping rescue those people from a vicious, inhumane leader. Yes, even though we read and knew that our leaders were aware of other places around the world where just as many innocent people were being slaughtered in one way or another and nothing was being done.

On the one hand some think and said that we "did it in'Iraq" because of the oil. Today our legislature is arguing whether the zillions of U.S. tax dollars going to rebuild Iraq should be considered grants or loans, collaraterized by future Iraq oil production. It's a gift one way, some say, or an acknowledgment, others hold, that "we were just after their oil money." No easy

answers on that. Nationally, the one thing that hacks most Americans is the fact that our trade balance is so far out of whack that it seems we're forever going to be a buyer of Chinese goods. rather than sellers.

longshbremen's strike near the end of last year which kept ships fied up off shores for artifact that dude was settled in a hurry and the Chinese Christmas plastic and tinsels quickly flowed to the world's biggest retailer just in time to make their year. Wonder how that got settled in sure a hurry?

On the D.C level there are ther, gripes from other offge drinkers: tax breaks for the wealthy; alleged reduction of civil rights in the name of security; and a dozen

other complaints. Gen. Clark is no Eisenhower, but do you think he's got the moxie to muster the Democrats? (Not a member of the coffee klatch, but a friend regularly offers clippings from an Arkansas paper which rips the administration in general and the spin-capable national media specifically for blasting anything that doesn't toe the GOP mainline.)

At the State House, you can just about pick your choice of gripes, and when you see the Legislature Branch duking it out and making smoke with other elected office holders you can know that there's bound to be fire somewhere.

A knowledgeable citizen asked us: can the legislature strip another office holder of responsibilities when the citizens elected them to do their job? Very, very good question.

Another suggests: methinks we smell a MAJOR contest coming for the guv's office in the days ahead. Of the same party, no less? Wow! Only California can spectacularize us with their shenanigans.

(Around some coffee cups, thoughts were verbalized to the effect that since the Golden State had been successful in unseating a chiefexecutive, that maybe it could be done elsewhere.)

The redistricting fiasco (and even those who were pushing it have been heard to call it that) probably will cost the loss of at least one of the two Texas members of the House Agriculture Committee, where at least attempts are being made to find markets for this country's goods.

The session(s) just ended have been labeled "the most successful" in decades by the governor. The coffee stirrers around here ask "for what?" and "for whom?" No new taxes. Great! Fees and fines, upped out the gazzo. Mental health care stripped and pillaged beyond belief. School house finance still a bleeding, open sore on just about every front. Insurance coverage for children? A THING OF THE PAST. Oh, we did get "streamlined government" -whatever that

decrease due to merca advaluations. Negative: rough shod building-buying and decorating to the heart's content. Rumors and rumors of rumors of unitization on the horizon which would reorganize the county beyond anything most any of us have ever seen or heard

Positive 1 Land 1 tay

Party-wise: we read that the county Democratic Party is alive and kicking. What they will mount in the days ahead is anybody's guess.

Parting positive, nonpartisan thought: it would seem an ideal time for the entire county/area to join together as one mighty force to do something (banquet, barbecue, roast/ toast, anything) to let the world and especially Far West Texas know that we support, appreciate and plan to keep forever the 11th Court of Appeals. This would be the ideal common project for every chamber of commerce, economic development organization, civic club, public school, college, religious organization, business and professional groups, sewing bee and coffee round table in this and every town around to join forces for a most worthy cause. If there were ever a cause that deserved our united effort, this is it.

In our "humble" opinion Congressman Charles Stenholm deserves our support and Sen. Fraser our appreciation for his watchers over the area.

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Is This The Way You Grew Up?

(Ed. Note: Shared to us by a friend at B&W Clinic. We ers, problem solvers, and inventors, ever. can identify with virtually all of this.)

Hey, I can't believe we made it!

According to today's regulators and bureaucrats, those of us who were kids in the 30's, 40's, 50's, 60's, 70's, or even the early 80's, probably shouldn't have survived. Our baby cribs were covered with bright colored lead-based paint. We had no childproof lids or locks on medicine bottles, doors, or cabinets, and when we rode our bikes, we had no helmets.

Not to mention the risks we took hitchhiking. As children, we would ride in cars with no seat belts or air bags. Riding in the back of a pickup truck on a warm day was always a special treat. We drank water from the garden hose and not from a bottle. Horrors!

We ate cupcakes, bread and butter, and drank soda pop with sugar in it, but we were never overweight because we were always outside playing.

We shared one soft drink with four friends, from one bottle, and no one actually died from this.

We would spend hours building our go-carts out of scraps and then rode down the hill, only to find out we forgot the brakes. After running into the bushes a few times, we learned to solve the problem.

We would leave home in the morning and play all day, as long as we were back when the street lights came on. No one was able to reach us all day. No cell phones. Unthinkable!

We did not have Playstations, Nintendo 64, X-Boxes, no video games at all, no 99 channels on cable, video tape movies, surround sound, personal cell phones, personal computers, or Internet chat rooms. We had friends! We went outside and found them.

We played dodge ball, and sometimes, the ball would really hurt. We fell out of trees, got cut and broke bones and teeth, and there were no lawsuits from these accidents. They were accidents. No one was to blame but us. Remember accidents?

We had fights and punched each other and got black and blue and learned to get over it.

We made up games with sticks and tennis balls and, although we were told it would happen, we did not put out any eyes.

We rode bikes or walked to a friend's home and knocked on the door, or rang the bell or just walked in and talked to them.

Little League had tryouts and not everyone made the team. Those who didn't had to fearn to deal with disappointments 2-002

Some students weren't as smart as others, so they failed a grade and were held back to repeat the same grade. Horrors! Tests were not adjusted for any reason.

Our actions were our own. Consequences were expected. The idea of parents bailing us out if we got in trouble in school or broke a law was unheard of. They actually sided

with the school or the law. Imagine that!

This generation has produced some of the best risk-tak-

We had freedom, failure, success, and responsibility-and we learned how to deal with it.

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Pioneer News

By Quilting Club

This week has finally gotten here! The annual Pioneer Quilt Show and Bake Sale will be this Saturday, Nov. 1, from 11:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. We would like to see all of you out our way. Pioneer is between Rising Star and Cross Plains off hwy 36, just down 569 one mile, see our other article in this paper.

We had another good day of quilting with most of our members attending. We got the rehab quilt in the frame. We are working on Charlene's "Flower Garden" and Glenda's "16 Patch". These will be on display at

at the "42 Party". There were eight here. Enough for two tables. We would love to see a few more come out.

Glenda want to see Krista run in Cross County at Cisco. She went to the May

Homecoming Saturday. Her class was having their "50th" reunion. Glenda said it seemed like a small crowd compared to the way Cross Plains always is. May has theirs every year.

Jean Fore and Frankie Smith attended the Cotton,

last one until next October. 1964 of conspiracy in the slayings They will also have the rehab in August next year. Saturday Frankie went to the Brownwood musical with her friends.

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Cowan and Laverne Hutton visited with Theo and Opal Boyd of Rising Star Saturday afternoon.

DON'T FORGET THE SHOW QUILT SATURDAY!!!

Word of Wisdom: Let me tell thee, time is a very precious gift of God; so precious that it's only given to us monument by moment.

A Look Back This Week

-- Amelia Barr

On October 25, 1765, the Stamp Act Congress, attended by representatives by nine colonies, ended with Everyone had a good time the adoption of a Declaration of Rights ... October 26, 1774, the First Continental Congress adjourned, calling for civil disobedience against the British ... October 25, 1812, the U.S.S. United States defeated the British Macedonian off the Azores ... October 26, 1825, the Erie Canal opened, with the first boat leaving from Buffalo, bound for New York on City ... October 20, 1944, U.S. forces landed on Leyte, Philippines

October 20, 1950, a U.N. force took Pyongyang ... October 22, 1962. President Kennedy revealed a Soviet offensive missile buildup in Cuba and ordered a naval and air quarantine on the shipment of offensive military equipment to the island

October 20, 1967, an all-white federal jury convicted seven of 21 THER AHESTER for the slaying of three 12100 II wood musical Alawas their servic fights workers in Mississippi in

Pioneer Annual Quilt **Show Is Set Saturday**

Show, Bake Sale, and Country Store will be held Nov. 1, from 11:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

There willbe plenty of holidays. beautiful quilts to examine. There also be some afghans and wall hangings. The Peoples Choice will be selected by the visitors. prizes. Names will be drawn at the end of the show.

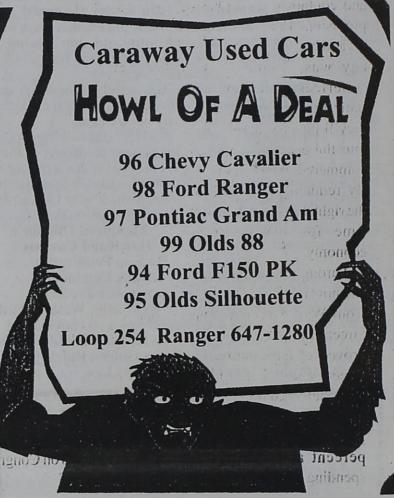
There will be the Country Store, where one can buy

The annual Pioneer Quilt home make items, crafts, etc. Best of all will be plenty of fresh baked pies, cakes, cookies, and breads. Things that can be frozen for the

There will be displays of several antiques and collectables. Some also may be for sale.

Pioneer is located one mile There will also be door north of highway 36 between Rising Star and Cross Plains. They hope all will put this day on your calendar, travel out their way. See you there!

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Gaining Economic Momentum

"The good economic news keeps coming," read a recent headline in the Wall Street Journal. That positive statement is a welcome shift amidst challenging economic times. But our efforts to strengthen the economy are far from over, and the jobs picture has not yet brightened enough.

In May, Congress passed a \$350 billion jobs and economic growth package to put Americans back to work and stimulate our economy. The legislation provided tax relief to hard working families and contained a number of provisions to help individuals and businesses. Our strategy was simple - when Americans keep more of their hard-earned dollars, they'll put that money back into the economy, boosting commerce and jobs creation. By reducing taxes, we did the right thing at just the right time for the American economy.

Throughout the summer and now into the fall, reports from Wall Street to Main Street have reflected an improved economy. On Wall Street, stock market values have increased by \$2 trillion in the last year. Disposable personal income is up by 3.8

Retail sales showed a 12.1 percent annualized increase over the summer, meaning Americans are spending the extra money in their paychecks from the tax relief we passed earlier this year.

Another important economic indicator signaling a strengthening economy is the rise in new housing starts. This summer we experienced a 17-year-high of 1.87 million units, and homeownership is at record levels with a 68 percent ownership rate.

Orders of manufactured goods continue to increase and shipments of durable goods increased this summer. More manufacturing output means more jobs for Americans. The Labor Department recently reported that employers created 57,000 jobs in September - the first increase in eight months. And jobless claims are at their lowest point this year.

All of this has led to stronger economic growth. In the second quarter, the gross domestic product grew by 3.3 percent and third quarter numbers are expected to top four percent.

Creating Jobs

But we need to do more. The economic growth has not yet translated into the broad job creation we would like to see. Fortunately there are a

Americans back to work. The Senate is working to enact additional legislation to create and retain jobs and further accelerate economic growth.

Two other items of critical importance are class action litigation reform and a bill to rein in runaway asbestos lawsuits. Class action reform will help victims receive their just financial due while ending abuses and helping businesses focus on growth and jobs rather than fighting expensive lawsuits. Additionally, it will help reduce the "hidden litigation tax" on U.S. consumgoods and services and stifles job creation. Asbestos lawsuits have already

estimated 138,000 jobs. Asbestos litigation reform will create new jobs by allowing companies to divert dollars from legal battles costs toward new investment. Both of these reforms help protect jobs and ensure fairness for Americans.

Energy Policy

But one of the most immediate actions Congress can take on the jobs front is finalizing the energy bill. Since I came to the Senate 10 years ago, we've tried to pass a comprehensive energy policy. This year, we finally passed a bill in both the House and Senate, which is ers that inflates the cost of currently in a conference committee where differences between the bills will be resolved. The final legislation accounted for the loss of an is expected to create upward

of 500,000 new jobs and save even more. Construction of new pipelines, and investment in new technologies, such as clean coal technology, will create new jobs in math, engineering, physics, science and related fields. An affordable and stable energy supply for Americans will fuel our economy and, even more im-

Thursday, October 80, 2003 portant, release our nation from the grip of Middle East dependence.

As we move into the holiday season, when Americans spend more money on gifts and traveling to visit loved ones, Congress is keeping an eye on the fragile recovery, and will continue to make efforts to create stability in the economy



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Texas History Students Participate In History

B. Walter Williams

Texas History students from Baird had the opportunity to leave their books in the classroom and participate in the Living History project at Fort Phantom on October 24th. Close to 100 historians were present, each with unique frontier projects, demonstrations, artifacts, and speeches. Bobcat Woodall, a recent profile on Extreme History, spoke about buffalo hunting and life on the High Plains. He displayed examples of the different guns and loads used by hunters of the southern herd. He explained that buffalo tongue was considered a delicacy for both the hunters and Indians. Roasting over a campfire were several buffalo tongues. At the end of the demonstration, students were allowed to taste the frontier delicacy. Isaac



Ray Olachia speaking Baird Students at Fort Phantom

Dickey, a Texas History student tasted the tongue and stated, "It's good, tastes like brisket." Others, brave enough to give it a try, weren't as convinced. "It smells - bad, real bad" said Garrett Jennings.

Teachers appreciate the opportunity to take students on field trips because they further learning beyond the walls of the classroom. Field experiences that cannot be duplicated in the school setting. nonetheless an integral part of instruction. The Fort Phantom became a living laboratory where students used tactile, visual, and auditory learning styles simultaneously. The average classroom usually emphasizes auditory learning.

One of the premier attractions was the teepee and display by Ray Olachia, a Mescalero Apache. He explained how the first Americans, the Clovis and Folsom people, populated the country and learned to live in harmony with the land. He encouraged students to make wise decisions in life and to keep their bodies free from drugs. "Remember" he stated. "when you point your finger at someone to give them blame for something, you have three fingers pointing back at yourself."

Students were able to march with the Fort Phantom Garrison of 5th Infantry soldiers, shoot bows and arrows, fire a 45-70 Sharps Buffalo Gun at a target 400 yards away, and check out a real stage coach owned by Ray Boershart. At the end of the day, the students loaded up on the buses and headed back to Baird; although, perhaps not before

-- Martin Luther King, Jr.

trips provide students with sharing the thoughts of some lone range rider from yesterday; I'll ride the trail till the stars turn pale and They are camp at the break of dawn. No one will know which way I go they'll only know I'm gone. Rendezvous

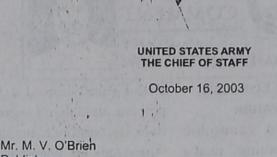
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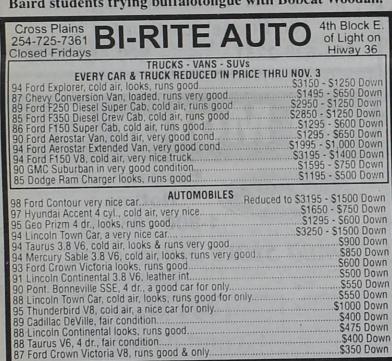
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Friday Night's Games

Friday, Oct. 31
Eastland hosts Haskell
Cisco at Hawley
Ranger hosts Rising Star
Cross Plains at May
Saturday, Nov. 1
CJC Hosts Kilgore

Baird Bears Take First Loss Of Season

The Baird Bears took their first loss of the season on Friday when they finished 21 to 34 against Tolar. The Bears took an early lead with 7-0 in the District 14-A game, but Tolar came back strong, overthrowing the Bear's advantage.

Baird still stands good with 3-1 in District 14-A, and 8-1 overall. They now rank second behind Tolar and before the third ranking team, Gorman, who also have 3-1 in District.

The Bears will take a break this Friday, and will challenge the Gorman Panthers on November 7 at Gorman.

Gorman and Tolar are scheduled to play this Friday. Oct. 31.

District 14-A

	District		0	Overall	
	W-L P	F PA	W-L	PF	PA
Tolar	3-0 9	6 34	5-2	196	104
Baird	3-1 12	0 62	7-1	196	102
Gorman	3-1 8	1 58	5-3	201	130
Rising Star	2-2 10	4 68	2-5	152	222
Cross Plains	1-2 3	4 115	3-5	97	188
Ranger	1-3 8	6 63	2-6	154	187
May	0-4	6 154	0-8	25	331
Last week's games					
Tolar 34	Baird 21: Gorman 14			Ranger 13	

Rising Star 26, May 0

This week's schedule

Cross Plains at May; Gorman at Tolar;

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Baird First United Methodist Church News

Lord's Acre is only weeks away. THIA COLD

The event will be held on November 15, 10 a.m. - 8:00 p.m., at the Baird High School Cafeteria.

Host and hostess are Larry and Willie Gaumond. Chairperson for this year is Donna Giger.

An Arts, Crafts and Bake Sale will start at 10:00 a.m. until sold out.

A Turkey Dinner will be served from 5:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. Tickets are \$6.00 Adults, \$3.00 Children

Entertainment includes music, games and an auction.

A Community Thanksgiving Service is scheduled for November 23, 2003, 7:00 p.m. at the Baird United Methodist Church.

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Thursday, Oct. 30

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Friday, Oct. 31

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Lettuce, Tomatoes, Pickle,

Baird School Menu

bler, Milk

Cookies, Milk

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Obituary

Obituary Floyd Isbell, Sr.

Floyd S. Isbell, Sr., 84, of Texas day, Oct. 19, 2003 at a local

Services were 2:30 p.m. or(512) Wednesday, Oct. 22, 2003 at the Trinity Baptist Church with Dr. Kevin Kennedy officiating. Burial followed in Elmwood Memorial Park, under the direction of Com-Elementary School Newsmunity Memorial Funeral Home, 1443 North Second Street.

> Floyd was born October 13, 1919 in Stamford, TX to the late William Henry and Nettie Bell (Miers) Isbell. He served as a Staff Sargent and a Supply Officer in the U.S. Army during World War 11. He moved to Abilene from Stamford in 1953 and was a Captain for the Abilene Police Department for nine years. He left Abilene for California, where he worked for the State of California until he retired,

and then moved back to Abilene. He was a member of Trinity Baptist Church.

Survivors include his wife, Euna E. Isbell of Abilene; a son, Floyd S. Isbell Jr. of Clyde, TX; two daughters, Judith Ann Cooley of Clyde, TX and Floy Kay Pfeiffer of Humble, TX; a brother, Darrile Isbell of Carthage, TX; four sisters, France Isbell and Nina Brownlee both of DeLeon, TX, and Janette Payne of San Angel, TX, Ruby Rogers of Palmdale, CA; five grandchildren; seven great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his parents and three brother.

If desired, memorials may be made to the Noah Project, 1802 Grape Street, Abilene, TX 79601.

Visitation was held from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 21 at Memorial Funeral Home in Abilene.



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