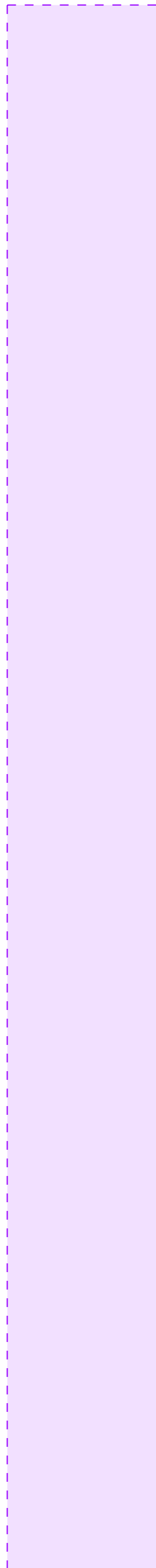


April 14, 2011



## Texoma Patriots April 26 Town Hall Meeting

The Texoma Patriots is honored to have a very special speaker on Tuesday, April 26. You don't want to miss this event. Yuri Maltsev worked as an economist on Mikhail Gorbachev's economic reform team before defecting to the United States. He is the editor of *Requiem for Marx* and teaches economics at Carthage College in Wisconsin.

Yuri Maltsev is a sought-after speaker for the way he completely deconstructs socialism. He starts with his experiences in communist Russia and makes the comparisons to the Obama administration. You'll see why Yuri is beloved by tea partiers across the country.

**Yuri Maltsev**  
**Tuesday, April 26**  
**7 to 9 pm**

Location: Grandy's in Sherman, 3201 Texoma Parkway the meeting room is beside the dining room

Please join us and fellow North Texas patriots and welcome Yuri to our Town Hall meeting.

We will also be asking for donations to cover our speaker's travel expenses. Help us defray the cost of the room by coming early and eating before the meeting starts.

Please invite those you think will be interested. Any questions, contact Kaaren at [kaarent@verizon.net](mailto:kaarent@verizon.net).

You may have seen Yuri on the Glenn Beck TV show on FOX News. While in Russia, he was introduced to Austrian economics by reading *The Road to Serfdom* by F.A. Hayek. He was given a copy by a friend for just one night; that was extremely dangerous in Russia at that time. Hayek laid these principles down in such a clear, apodictic, and revealing way that Yuri became very interested in learning as much as he could about Hayek and the Austrian School.

## Robert Chasen Williams Receives Eagle Scout Distinction

Sunday, April 3, 2011 a ceremony was held at 1st United Methodist Church in Bonham to honor Robert Chasen Williams as he received the life-long distinction of Eagle Scout, an honor held by only 2% of the Boy Scouts of America.

The ceremony was emceed by David Reeder, former Scout Master. Clark Sanderson, former Scout Master served as guest speaker.

Mr. Williams received the Eagle Scout Neckerchief, Eagle Scout Medal and Certificate as well as a flag from Rep. Larry Phillips. Mr. Williams pinned his mother, Terri Williams and grandmother, Mary Williams with the Mother's Pin and his father, Joe Bob Williams and grandfather Robert Williams with the Father's pin.

A reception was held at the 1st United Methodist Church of Bonham, Texas.



## Austin College Concert Band Plays Works of British Composers

SHERMAN, TEXAS-The Austin College Concert Band, directed by Bob Archer, will perform "Battle of the Royals" in its spring performance on Wednesday, April 20, at 7 pm in Wynne Chapel. The performance is free and open to the public.

The concert will include the music of British composers from the Royal Northern College of Music the Academy of Music, and the Royal College of Music, including Gustav Holst, Guy Woolfenden, Peter Meechan, Edward Gregson, Derek Bourgeois, and Adam Gorb.

The concert program will include "First Suite in E-flat for Military Band" by Gustav Holst; "Eternal Light" by Peter Meechan; "Scenes from an English Landscape" by Adam Gorb; "Festivo for Symphonic Wind Band" by Edward Gregson; "Second Suite in F for Military Band" (Op. 28, No. 2) by Gustav Holst; "Serenade" by Derek Bourgeois; and "Match Day" by Peter Meechan.

Austin College is a leading national independent liberal arts college located north of Dallas in Sherman, Texas. Founded in 1849, making it the oldest institution of higher education in Texas operating under original charter and name, the college is related by covenant to the Presbyterian Church (USA). Recognized nationally for academic excellence in the areas of international education, pre-professional training, and leadership studies, Austin College is one of 40 schools profiled in Loren Pope's influential book *Colleges that Change Lives* <<http://www.ctcl.org>.

# Cat Chat

by C. Cat Jr.



This cat has been busy recently ... that is why I don't get to write my column every week. So I decided for this week I would do some reading. And I found several bits of information that might come in handy for you to think about.

### *Time Is*

Too Slow for those who Wait,

Too Swift for those who Fear,

Too Long for those who Grieve,

Too Short for those who Rejoice,

But for those who Love,

Time is Eternity -- Henry Van Dyke

*From The Bible* - And one standing alone can be attacked and defeated, but two can stand back-to-back and conquer; three is even better, for a triple-braided cord is not easily broken.  
Ecclesiastes 4:12, The Living Bible

*And then there is this* - Sunshine is delicious, rain is refreshing, wind braces up, snow is exhilarating; there is no such thing as bad weather, only different kinds of good weather. - John Ruskin

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## What's Happening in Fannin County

Interested persons are welcome to attend a political event in Bonham on Thursday, April 21, to hear a leading U.S. Senatorial Candidate, Roger Williams.

The meeting is at the Family Life Center, 200 W. 8th in Bonham and will begin at 6:30 pm with a King Ranch Chicken Dinner. This is a Fannin County Republican Party hosted event featuring Roger Williams and the fabulous Hospitality Committee cooks. Join us for a great time of food, fellowship and a great speaker. Donations are welcome.



# JOIN THE PARTY

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**YA'LL COME TO OUR NEXT MEETING**

**APRIL 21, 2011** (Thursday)

**6:30 PM** at the **FAMILY LIFE CENTER**

200 W. 8<sup>th</sup> Street Bonham, TX

**"EVERYONE IS INVITED"**

## **KING RANCH CHICKEN DINNER**

The fantastic cooks from the Special Events & Hospitality Committees of FCRW will provide dinner! Donations accepted.

**FEATURING:**

**ROGER WILLIAMS**

A leading U.S. Senatorial candidate, a conservative with a passion for principled leadership. Former Secretary of State, active in the campaign of George W. Bush and Senator John Cornyn

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DAY**

Starting at 6:30 pm at the Multi Purpose Complex  
Featuring Captain Scott O'Grady and Cong. Ralph Hall



## HAZ-CO FIRE ACADEMY HAS 100% PASS RATE ON STATE FIRE EXAM

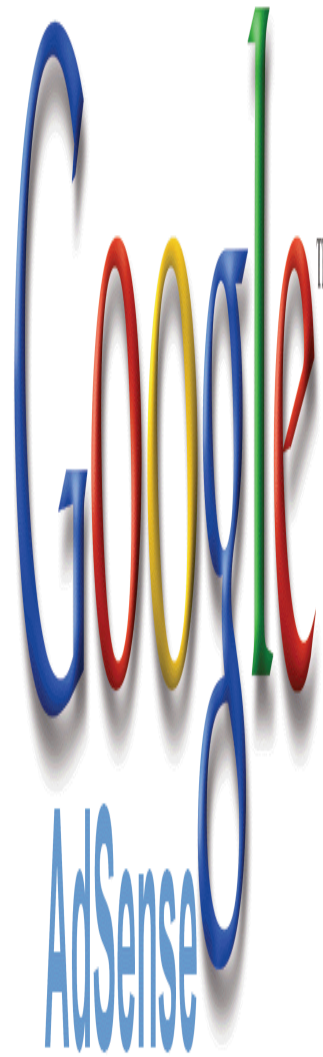
Haz-Co Fire Academy's Evening class took the Texas State Commission on Fire Protection State Certification examination on March 30, 2011 at the training center. All students passed the state test.

The state test consists of a written examination and a demonstration of skills.

Haz-Co is owned and operated by Bill Palya and Kevin Walton. Palya and Walton are also adjunct instructors for Texas A&M Fire School held each year at Brayton Fire Field in College Station.

Haz-Co was established in 1987 offering hazardous training to local industries and in 1994, the Haz Co Fire Training Academy was established. It was the first independently owned fire training academy in the state of Texas. Haz Co has its own smoke maze and burn field.

Haz Co offers both day and evening classes. For more information, contact Nancy Shirley at 903-564-3862 or visit the web page at [www.haz-fire.com](http://www.haz-fire.com).



## Texas Historical Marker Dedication

The marker dedication for the Donald and Rose Marie Mayes Home in Denison will be held next Saturday, April 16, 2011 at 11 am. Of course, this event will be open to the public and please feel free to extend this invitation to anyone you know who may be interested.



## District 11-2A Golf Results

### Girls

Callisburg wins 6th District Championships in a Row

Callisburg "A"	366	REGIONAL QUALIFIER
Howe	409	REGIONAL QUALIFIER
Gunter	435	
S&S	441	
Callisburg "B"	450	

Shay Shaw -1st (78) Callisburg  
Emily Taylor -2nd (80) Howe  
Jacklyn Davidson- 3rd (90) Callisburg

**Regional Qualifying Medalist:** Rebecca Roberts (S&S) and Jaimie Hughes (Gunter)

**Callisburg-** Shay Shaw 78, Jacklyn Davidson 90, Hayley Stone 97, Madeleine Lowe 101, Jamie Eddleman 105, Greyson Browning 110, Kalli Byrom 116, Amberly Colwell 118, Aubrie Hitchcock 119, Jordan Silverman 122

**Howe-** Emily Taylor 80, Madison Wilson 94, Alex Akins 115, Courtney Scribner 120, Sarah Myer 127, Jennifer Vincent 126, Jessa Hough 122, Emily Dawson 137, Karlie Niehus 131

**Gunter-**Jaimie Hughes 97, Amber Keatts 110, Kerra Clement 124, Caitlyn Smith 114, Regan Hestand 127, Bethany Radarner 123, Alex Lashley 129

**Whitewright-** Callie Bearden 114, Holly Hughes 119

**S&S-** Samantha Bandemir 101, Allison Sulivant 125, Rebecca Roberts 93, Amberlyn Rankin 122

**Tom Bean-** Ashlyn Royal 125, Bethany Davidson 128

**Pottsboro-** Christina Young 121, Courtney Nations 124

### Boys

Whitewright Boys win 11-2A District Championship

Whitewright	323	REGIONAL QUALIFIER
Gunter	354	REGIONAL QUALIFIER
Callisburg	359	
Howe	379	
Pottsboro	381	
S&S	394	
Tom Bean	410	
Pottsboro B	476	
Gunter B	536	

Gavin Rogers -1st (71) Gunter  
Troy Worthy -2nd (72) Whitewright  
Tyler Ellis -3rd (80) Tom Bean

**Regional Qualifying Medalist:** Mikey Wade (Pottsboro) and Tyler Ellis (Tom Bean)

**Callisburg-** Issac Andrews 88, Andrew Dickerson 85, Casey Trevino 95, Patrick Nolan 91, Josh Monkres 97, Eli Hollandsworth 99, Justin Sparkman 100

**Pottsboro-** Mikey Wade 82, Blake Hawkins 101, Dylan Smith 94, Tyler Jones 104, Clay Copeland 105, Dalton Cleveland 109, Aaron Heath 138, Garrett Syfert 106, Dylan Cleveland 123

**Bells-** Derek Paveloff 93, Cody Branham 110, Hayden Johnston 107

**S&S-** Josh Raynor 95, Tanner Rankin 95, Dylan Gann 108, Robert Cowden 96, Travis Buckner 108, Dustin Gann 122

**Tom Bean-** Tyler Ellis 80, Braydon Hill 101, Trent Byers 125, Jacob Thompson 114, Thomas Harrell 115, Justin Shrum 144, Devon Johnson 123

**Whitewright-** Troy Worthy 72, Blane Wortham 82, Alden Berry 85, Hamilton Luper 84, Bryant Threadgill 92, Gray Berry 98, Dillion Harwood 103, Braedon Pittman 121

**Gunter-** Gavin Rogers 71, Eric Farr 86, Will Neely 92, Jake Fanning 110, Brian Hillman 105, Tyler Brewer 116, Aaron McWhorter 128, Pepper Vier 135, Salvador Pueblo 130, Zac Rolison 138, Dylan Boyd 123

**Howe-** Travis Hunt 88, Heath Salmon 88, Colby Ake 105, Dylan Woody 98, Ben Dunavant 109, Jonathon Maniet 113, Nick Liccione 135, Cooper Queen 124.



Heath Salmon of Howe



Howe Boys Golfers, left to right, Dylan Woody, Jonathon Maniet, Ben Dunavant, Heath Salmon, Colby Ake, Travis Hunt.



## Howe's That



## What's Cooking?

by Lana Rideout

Lately it seems that I have trouble remembering the names of folks I have known for a long time. Could it be I am getting a bit old? Naw, it is just I have so much information in my head and it takes more time to retrieve the information.

I have thought of a remedy for this problem. I am going to write down the names of all the people I know. That way, I can refer to the list when I get stumped.

But that does not help me remember my grocery list or what articles I planned to write or even what I wanted to put in the Howe's That article. Sometimes I will come up with a good idea for the column, but if I don't write it down .... Well, you know what happens then.

For the past three and a half months, we have been publishing the news on our Internet site. I miss the printed pages, but we were unable to continue with that. We have had good comments from many who read our online news.

We need you to continue to send us photos, stories, etc. Thanks for your continued support.

### *Strawberry Pretzel Jello Salad*

- 3 tbsp. sugar
- 2 c. crushed pretzels
- 1/4 c. melted butter
- 1/2 c. powdered sugar
- 10 oz. pkg. frozen strawberries
- 8 oz. pkg. cream cheese
- 8 oz. carton dessert topping
- 2 c. miniature marshmallows
- 6 oz. pkg. strawberry gelatin
- 2 1/2 c. boiling water

Mix together sugar, melted butter and crushed pretzel sticks. Press into 9 x 13 pan and bake 15 minutes at 350 degrees. Set aside to cool. Soften cream cheese; add powdered sugar and cream well. Fold in dessert topping and marshmallows. Spread over pretzel crust. Mix gelatin in boiling water, including juice from strawberries. Stir in strawberries. When slightly thickened, pour over cream cheese layer. Place in the refrigerator until set. Serves 8 to 10.

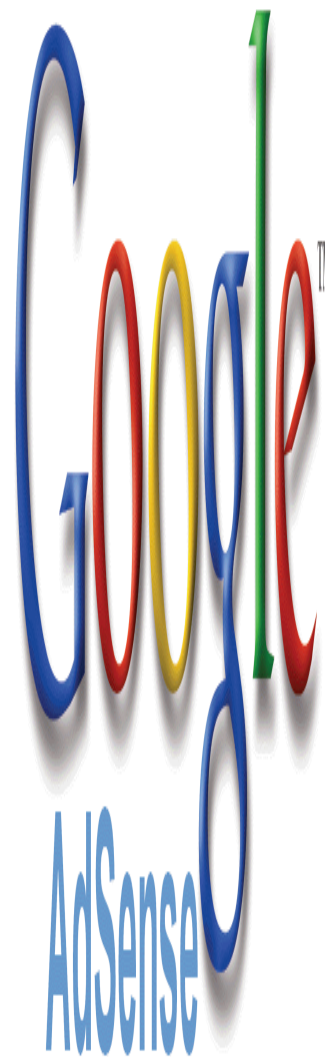
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Howe Elementary Star Students for the week ending April 8th, 2011 are: Ariel Bassett, Aaron Roulette, Jenna Honore, Nayely Ayala, Hannah Dwyer, Seth Key, Abigail Wakefield, Alyssa Sharp, Lindsey Hymel, Destyne Torres, and Jana Nitchman.

## Howe ISD Calendar

### April

- 14 – HS Track District Finals @Pottsboro
  - 14 – HES Spring Class Picture Day
  - 15 – 1st grade Field Trip to Heritage Farm
  - 15 – JV/V Baseball @Callisburg
  - 15 – JV/V Softball @Callisburg
  - 16 – AOC Foundation Fundraiser @HHS Cafetorium, 7:30-10pm
  - 18 - 6th six weeks begins
  - 18 – Shot Clinic
  - 18-21 – Regional Golf Meet @Stephenville
  - 18 – Band Boosters meeting
  - 19 – JV/V Softball vs. S&S
  - 19 – JV/V Baseball vs. S&S
  - 19 – 2nd grade Three Piggy Opera, 6:30pm, HHS Cafetorium
  - 22 – No School
  - 22 – JV/V Baseball @Whitewright
  - 25 – JV/V Baseball vs. Tom Bean
  - 30 – PTA Healthy Lifestyles program @Bulldog Stadium
- Go to [howeisd.net](http://howeisd.net) for more school events and information



## HISD Menus

April 18-23

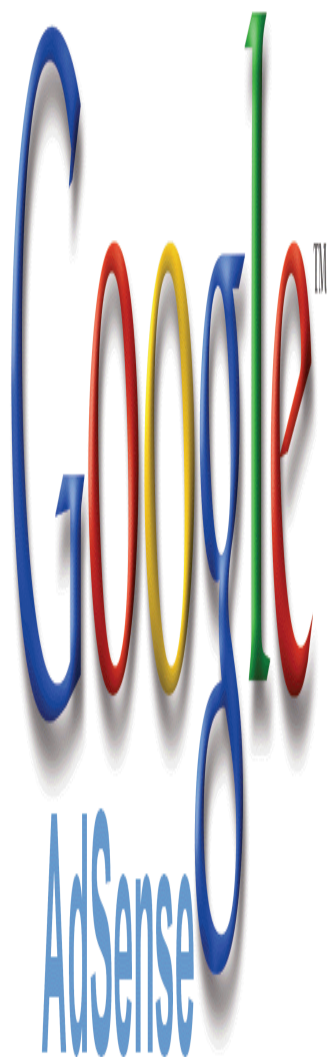
### Breakfast

- Monday**- Glazed donut, cereal w/toast, pineapple, apple juice
- Tuesday**- Biscuit & sausage, cereal w/toast, fresh apple, orange juice
- Wednesday**- Strawberry or blueberry pop tart w/toast, cereal w/toast, graham crackers w/yogurt, fruit cocktail, grape juice
- Thursday** Breakfast bagel, cereal w/toast, orange halves, orange juice
- Friday**- Holiday

### Lunch

- MONDAY**- Hamburger, hot dog, burger fixins, potato rounds, baked beans, pineapple chunks, peach crisp
- TUESDAY**- Beef fingers, crispy chicken salad, mashed potatoes, gravy, fresh apple, green beans, hot roll, gelatin jewels
- WEDNESDAY**- Chicken sandwich, tuna sandwich, burger fixins, pinto beans, fruit cocktail, rice krispie treats
- THURSDAY**- Pepperoni pizza, garden salad, broccoli & cheese, steamed corn, orange halves, orange sherbet
- FRIDAY**- Holiday

Milk & juice served with all meals  
Menu subject to change according to availability



## Howe Elementary Pre-K & Kindergarten Registration

May 2nd – May 31st  
Monday – Friday  
8:30 a.m. – 2:30 p.m.

The following items are required for registration:

- Shot Record
- Birth Certificate
- Social Security Card
- Proof of Residence
- Proof of Income (Pre-K only)



## Howe Elementary GT Class Attends Baseball Game

On Tuesday, April 12, Taylor Hinkle and TJ Knight attend a Frisco Roughriders Baseball game. They are the 3rd and 4th grade GT students of Mrs. Shadden.

Also attending were Mrs. Tidwell and Mrs. Williams. It was a beautiful day and even though the Roughriders didn't win, everyone had a great time.

## Extreme Wildfire Danger:

**DON'T DRIVE INTO SMOKE ON THE ROAD** - Wind driven wildfire can move as fast as 60 miles per hour. When you see thick smoke across a highway, do not drive into it. Slow down. Prepare to stop and turn around. Activate your emergency flashers to warn vehicles following you. Check for oncoming traffic. Make sure you can turn around safely. Remember, when there is dense smoke on the road, do not drive into it.

**STAY ALERT TO WILDFIRE DANGER WHEN TRAVELING** - Texans face extreme wildfire danger. Check fire and weather conditions before you get on the road. Monitor radio broadcasts while traveling. In areas where there may be wildfire, watch for highway signs, traffic control personnel and fire fighters. Slow down and prepare to stop when they signal you to do so. Remember, wind driven wildfire can move as fast as 60 miles per hour. If you see dense smoke on the road, do not drive into it.

**WILDFIRES AND EVACUATIONS** - Texans face extreme wildfire danger. When you are told to evacuate - do so immediately. As you evacuate, be alert to the changes in the speed and direction of fire and smoke. Wind driven wildfire can move as fast as 60 miles per hour. If there is a wildfire in your area - and you have time to prepare - shut gas off at the meter and turn off propane tanks. Wet down your roof and shrubbery within 15 feet of your residence. Choose a route that leads away from the fire. Park your vehicle facing in the direction of escape. Remember, wildfires can travel at great speed. When told to evacuate - do so immediately.

**WILDFIRE DANGER AND OUTDOOR ACTIVITIES** - Texans face extreme wildfire danger. Be cautious about outdoor activities that might cause sparks or fires. Sparks can easily escape from burning trash. Avoid using welding or grinding equipment near dry weeds and grass. Avoid parking vehicles in tall, dry grass and weeds. Weeds and grass could be ignited by hot catalytic converters. Crush cigarettes in an ashtray and make sure they are really out.

For updates on current wildfire situation contact:  
[newsmedia@tfs.tamu.edu](mailto:newsmedia@tfs.tamu.edu)

For more information on fire danger and advisories, see the Texas Forest Service Web site at: <http://texasforests.tamu.edu>







## Bobby Gene Koiner (1935-2011)

DENISON - Bobby Gene Koiner, age 75, entered into eternal life Thursday, April 7, 2011 at Texoma Medical Center.

Mr. Koiner was born September 3, 1935 in Krum, Texas the son of James Calvin and Eunice (Story) Koiner. Bobby graduated from Denison High School in 1954. In 1966, he received a Bachelor of Science in Chemistry from Southeastern Oklahoma State University. Bobby married the love of his life, Mary Lucille "Mary Lou" Mead February 14, 1958. Bobby was the manager of quality control at Safeway Stores, Inc, plant. He retired after 41 years of service in 1995. Bobby was a member of the Society for the Preservation and Encouragement of Barbershop Quartet Singing in America, Texoma Chordrangers chapter, active member and past president, American Cancer Society, Denison Chapter, past president. He loved the Lord and was a member of Southside Baptist Church, where he formerly served as Sunday School teacher and choir member. He and his family traveled and sang in churches in area towns for many years.

Mr. Koiner is survived by his beloved family, wife of 53 years, Mary Lucille "Mary Lou" Koiner of Denison, TX; sons, Chris Koiner and wife, Donna of Keystone Heights, FL, Ron Koiner and wife, Debbie of Castle Rock, CO and daughter, Robin Verbil and husband, John of Scottsdale, AZ; eleven grandchildren, Paul Koiner of Shreveport, LA, Kyle Koiner of Gainesville, FL, Joel Koiner of Keystone, FL, Aaron Koiner of Colorado Springs, CO, Ryan Koiner, Jonathan Koiner, Jordan Koiner and Justin Koiner all of Castle Rock, CO, Lindsay Verbil, Brian Verbil and Elliot Verbil all of Scottsdale, AZ; brothers, James Koiner of Plano, TX, Charles Koiner of Dublin, TX and Richard Koiner of Clarksville, TX; sisters, Doris O'Brien of Tom Bean, TX, Shirley Mullins of Morris Mill, TX and Betty Prewett of Sapulpa, OK. He was preceded in death by his parents.

Funeral services will be held at 1:30 pm Tuesday, April 12, 2011 at Southside Baptist Church with Rev. Keith Taylor officiating. Interment will follow in Fairview Cemetery. Family visitation will be held from 6 to 8 pm Monday, April 11, 2011 at Fisher Funeral Home.

Pallbearers will be his grandsons. Honorary pallbearers will be his brothers.

Memorials may be made in his name to Southside Baptist Church Building Fund, 3500 South Park, Denison, TX 75020 or to the American Cancer Society, 3301 W. Freeway, Ft. Worth, TX 76107.

Condolences may be registered online at [www.fisherfh.com](http://www.fisherfh.com).

Arrangements are under the direction of Fisher Funeral Home, 604 West Main in Denison.

## Bobby Gene Koiner

## Jerry Les Tucker

McALESTER, Okla. - Jerry Les Tucker, 70-year-old McAlester resident and formerly of Sherman, died Monday, April 11, 2011 at McAlester Regional Health Center.

Memorial services will be held at 2 p.m. Wednesday at the First Christian Church in McAlester. Dan Bubock will officiate and a flag presentation will be conducted by the Harrison-Powers Post 79, American Legion.

Bishop Funeral Service in McAlester has charge of the arrangements.

Surviving are his wife, Betty Maud Skeen Tucker; sons, Darold Tucker of Poteau, Okla. and Jeffrey Tucker of Savoy; four grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

Memorials may be made to the First Christian Church's Soup Kitchen or the Indian Nations Counsel, DSA.



## Tom Bean Elementary News

### Perfect Attendance--4th Six Weeks

Jewleia Ahching, Erica Alexander, Natalie Alexander, Katy Allen, Dylan Avila, Chauk Bailey, Ellie Bailey, Jessie Ball, Jonathan Ball, Chelsie Ball-Wright, Blayne Balthrop, Austin Barron, Kolton Barron, Tanner Booth, Chandler Boyd, Christopher Brady, Madison Brinkley, James Bruce, Cameron Canada, Izabelle Carlson, Dylan Chapman, Natalie Chapman, Morgan Clark, Jonisun Comola, Mark Dickison, Kirsten Duncan, Macy Edwards, Allie Ellis, Dakota Enslow, Tanner Enslow, Hannah Fisher, Lucas Fitzgerald, Patrick Fitzgerald, Brantly Flynn-Winters, Reid Fuller, Payton Garland, Lindsey Garner, Jolie Goss, Branden Green, Destiney Gregory, Jeremiah Goss, Rebekah Gross, Chanze Hall, Gavin Hamilton, Laci Hamilton, Maddy Harris, Pacen Harris, William Harris, Camillia Hayes, Heather Heistand, Delaney Hemming, Dustin Hickman, Anna Higginbotham, Kaleigh Higginbotham, Cheyenne Hightower, Alexa Holloway, Madison Holmes, Kennedy Howery, Abbie Jones, Austin Jones, Jacie Jones, Seth Kee, Hannah Kelly, Kayla Kennington, Hunter King, Madison Kirby, Kylan Kraus, Alyssa LeDane, Jack Lifsey, Randall Mallard, Jewel Mason, Maddy McAdams, Johnathan McGee, Maren McNealy, Zane McNealy, Cayla Miles, Caden Miller, Sarah Miller, Willow Miller, Wisper Miller, Alaysia Morrison, Macey Morrow, Gabriella Narro, Tom Newell, Ayden Norton, Faith Norton, Patrick Oates, Janna Payne, Hank Peeples, Halle Phares, Tristan Punzel, Katie Reynolds, Savannah Roberson, Kendall Robinson, Skylar Robinson, Maggie Rodgers, Alexander Sanchez, Montgomery Sebolt, Caden Severns, Blake Smith, Ryan Smith, Parker Steele, Emory Stevens, Jacob Stratton, Hayden Thompson, Brayden Tumlinson, Madison Ulmer, Cadey Vickers, Abby Watson, Blake Watson, Prosper Weems, Ty Wheeler, Chandler Wilhelm, Cadence Williams, Jaelyne Williams, Kayla Williams, Lexi Williams, Perry Williams, Cheyanne Worley, Laramie Worley, Robert Worsham, Kaleb Wyrick and Kylie Yandell.

Pizza with the Principal - March's "Pizza with the Principal!" Mrs. Counts hosted a pizza picnic for six elementary students.

The luncheon was held on March 25th and students attending were Bryce Clark, Hunter King, Kaleigh Williams, Jacob Mathes, Jewleia Ahching and T.J. Huckaby. They also enjoyed brownie sundaes for dessert! Each month we draw four students' names to have lunch with the Principal. Don't forget to enter your child's name!

On February 24th, Tom Bean Elementary's 2nd and 3rd graders had the privilege of hearing the Dallas Symphony perform at the Meyerson in downtown Dallas. We heard the famous "Peter and the Wolf," as well as music set to a Beatrice Potter story called "A Tale about a Tail." Afterwards, we went to CICI's pizza in McKinney for an enjoyable lunch. For this occasion we all dressed up in our "Sunday Best" and had a great time. We are ready to return next year and have the symphony perform for us again.

### "A" Honor Roll--4th Six Weeks-2010-2011

Erica Alexander, MaKayla Alexander, Natalie Alexander, Ben Allen, Nicholas Allen, Ellie Bailey, Baylee Bean, Jillian Beck, Tanner Booth, Taylor Brown, Morgan Bryant, Brooke Buskirk, Rhone Carlson, Bryce Clark, Dillon Curd, Macy Edwards, Abby Farrer, Chloe Farrer, Hannah Fisher, Brantly Flynn-Winters, Riley Ford, Jayde Freeman, Payton Garland, Lindsey Garner, Faith Golleher, Jolie Goss, Jeremiah Goss, Rebekah Gross, Laci Hamilton, Maddy Harris, William Harris, Heather Heistand, Cheyenne Hightower, Kalie Hill, Kenzie Hill, Madison Holmes, Kennedy Howery, Andrew Johnson, Aiden Jones, Seth Kee, Cooper King, Owen Langford, Sophia Langford, Marisa Lankford, Alyssa LeDane, Isis Lewis, Jack Lifsey, Emma Lowing, Mandy Mack, Jewel Mason, Jacob Mathes, Kara Mathes, Johnathan McGee, Claire McMeen, Zane McNealy, Madison McWater, Caden Miller, Kaleb Miller, Ian Morris, Gabriella Narro, Kaleigh Oates, Janna Payne, Emily Pennell, Halle Phares, Perla Ponder, Dakotah Punzel, Sierra Punzel, Tristan Punzel, Lillie Rodgers, Maggie Rodgers, Emily Rogers, Taya Sanders, BreAnna Schmeidler, Kyndle Selman, Jeffrey Smith, Leyton Smith,

Melanie South, Emory Stevens, Hayden Thompson, Ethan Tillett, Kaelyn Toone, Brayden Tumlinson, Ariel Waller, Kody Wampler, Blake Watson, Levi Webster, Kimberly Williams, Kaleigh Williams, Perry Williams, Shannon Williams, Victoria Wilson, Kaleb Wyrick, Briana Yale and Kayla Youngs.

### "A/B" Honor Roll--4th Six Weeks-2010-2011

Sydney Achimon, Zach Adcock, Katy Allen, Max Allen, Ryan Amberson, Dylan Avila, Ryan Barker, Dustin Barnett, Chloe Battles, Chandler Boyd, Cheyann Brady, Kendal Britton, Ameryss Brogdon, Abby Burns, Cameron Canada, Izabelle Carlson, Jessica Carter, Jeremiah Caudill, Kendal Cole, Landon Collum, Jonisun Comola, Cody Cox, Kelly Cox, Marly Cox, Mary Cox, Tucker Davidson, Justin Detzel, Mark Dickison, Melanie Dickison, Kirsten Duncan, Alyssa Edwards, Allie Ellis, Tanner Enslow, Patrick Fitzgerald, Makilia Flowers, Alexa Foy, Reid Fuller, Michael Glenn, Macy Graves, Branden Green, Pacen Harris, Anna Higginbotham, Kaleigh Higginbotham, Caleb Higgs, Paysha Hightower, Kelsey Hodgdon, Alexa Holloway, Zach Hunt, Tanner Johns, Briana Johnson, Abbie Jones, Kayla Kennington, Hunter King, Madison Kirby, Daley Langston, Austin Lee, Cheyann Lifsey, Justice Marrs, Tori Martin, Shelby Mason, Damion McDowell, Lyndsey McGraw, Sarah Miller, Harley Mitchell, Alec Narro, Sierrra Naylor- Horn, Tom Newell, Ayden Norton, Faith Norton, Patrick Oates, Hank Peeples, Kakana Puana, Corbin Ramey, Ethan Ramey, Melony Rasor, J.J. Reynolds, Katie Reynolds, Cody Rigsbay, Danielle Rigsbay, Riley Robinson, Skylar Robinson, Samantha Rodgers, Blayne Royal, Blake Smith, Ryan Smith, Mackenzie Smitherman, Alayne Stevens, Jacob Stratton, Morgan Stroud, Nicholas Vallecilla, Bethany VanDeren, Brea Wallin, Sevin Washington, Ryan Weems, Kelly Welch, Tori Wheeler, Ty Wheeler, Taylor Whitehurst, Cadence Williams, Gavin Williams, Jaelyne Williams, Kayla Williams, Lexi Williams, Madi Williams, Taylor Williams, Kaylynn Williams, Alexia Womack, Cheyanne Worley, Robert Worsham, Bailey Yale and Powell Zuniga.



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## TOM BEAN ELEMENTARY Pre-K, Kindergarten Registration

Tom Bean Elementary will be holding a Pre-K and Kindergarten registration for the 2011-2012 school year on Saturday, April 16, from 8:30 am until 3:30 pm at the Elementary school.

**Pre-K Registration:** To qualify for enrollment in the Pre-K program, your child must be 4 years old on or before September 1, 2011, must be income eligible, non-English or limited English speaking, child of an Active Military Parent, or be a special needs child. (Your child may be given a Language Proficiency Test- 4 years only),

Students that qualify for Pre-K will be placed in the Pre-K program first. Students not qualifying will be charged \$1000 and allowed to fill slots on a first come, first served basis.

Please bring the following documents with you at the time of registration: Child's Birth Certificate, Social Security Card, up-to-date Shot Record, Medicaid Card or Insurance Card (if applicable), Proof of Residency within the Tom Bean ISD, which must show the physical address, such as an Electric or Water bill (for the current month or month prior to registration), Annual ARD/IEP (if applicable), Income Verification – Previous one-month pay stub, TANF or Food Stamp documentation letter, or a letter from employer stating gross wages paid and how often.

**Kindergarten Registration:** Student must be 5 years old on or before September 1, 2011. Please bring the following documents with you at the time of registration: Child's Birth Certificate, Social Security Card, up-to-date Shot Record and Proof of Residency within the Tom Bean ISD, which must show the physical address, such as an Electric or Water bill (for the current month or month prior to registration).

Registration space is limited. Please bring only your Pre-K or Kindergarten child to registration. For more information, call Tom Bean Elementary at 903-546-6333.

## More Tom Bean Elementary News

### New to our campus

Hi! My name is Katherine Abbey. I am originally from Fort Worth, but moved to Sherman to attend Austin College. I'm a graduate student there now and will be graduating in May! I'm really excited to be student teaching here in Tom Bean and working with the wonderful students and staff!

Hi! My name is Samantha Woods. I am currently completing my student teaching here in Tom Bean and will be graduating with my degree in Elementary Education from Southeastern Oklahoma State University (SOSU) in May 2011. I love to spend time with my family and friends as well as read in my spare time. However, most of my time is devoted to my family and school. After I complete my degree in May, I plan to substitute teach for a year.

Hi! My name is Kamen Chumbley. I am a senior at Southeastern Oklahoma State University and a 2006 graduate of Bells High School. I live on a big farm with my wonderful family and our variety of different animals. My hobbies include fishing, being outdoors and judging cheerleading tryouts. I look forward to becoming an elementary teacher and can't wait to see where my teaching career takes me in life.

Tom Bean Elementary would like to welcome to the cafeteria staff Mrs. Darlene Gay. She comes to us from Van Alstyne schools and she will be our new Food Service Manager.

### Happy Bear Visit the Elementary

The Pre-Kindergarten through 2nd grade had a recent visit from Happy Bear. Happy Bear is from the Children's Advocacy Center. He, along with Penny Lamb, visits schools to talk to children about personal space as well as welcome and unwelcome touches. This is the second year that Happy Bear has been to Tom Bean Elementary to visit. The children enjoyed meeting Happy Bear and look forward to seeing again.

**National Child Identification Program**  
The National Child Identification Program (NCIDP) was created by the American Football Coaches Association (AFCA) in 1997 to improve child safety. In December 2001, the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) joined in partnership with the AFCA making it the only program of its kind to be endorsed by the FBI. The National Child ID Program has developed a child identification kit to assist every parent in the state of Texas. While not mandated or collected by the state or federal government, each Child ID kit contains the tools necessary for parents to record and store vital information on each child including photographs, fingerprints, identifying marks and DNA. All the information can be privately collected and stored in the home so that information necessary for law enforcement is readily available in the case of an emergency. To learn more about the AFCA/FBI National Child ID Program please visit [www.childidprogram.com](http://www.childidprogram.com). If parents in your district are interested in ordering Child ID kits, please visit <http://www.childidprogram.com/order-now>.



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## Tom Bean District Golf

The Tom Bean boys and girls represented themselves well last Thursday at the District 11-2A Golf Tournament at the Gainesville Country Club.

The Boys team comprised of Tyler Ellis, Braydon Hill, Jacob Thompson, Trent Byers, Thomas Harrell, Devin Johnston, and Justin Shrum, finished 7th while playing through a very tough and windy day.

The Lady Cats were led by Ashlyn Royal and Bethany Davidson who both nearly turned in season best scores.

Individually, Tyler Ellis shot an 80, finishing 3rd overall and capturing a spot in next week's Regional Tournament at the Legends Country Club in Stephenville. The 2 day tournament will be next Wednesday and Thursday with tee times yet to be determined.

Tyler has dedicated countless hours in his pursuit of making the state tournament. His dedication has already paid off as he was recently accepted into the prestigious PGA Degree Program at Stephen F. Austin, where he will continue to pursue his golf career. This is one of only a handful of schools in the nation, and the only one in Texas offering such an opportunity.

Thanks for all your support as Tyler continues his season, representing the Tom Bean community! - Coach Gann





## Sarah Hagan Inks with Paris Junior College

Tom Bean – Friday, April 8, Sarah Hagan made her official declaration to play collegiate volleyball for Paris Junior College. Sarah Hagan signed her official paperwork in the presence of her coaches, old and new, while family and friends looked on from the crowd.

The 2010 Tom Bean Lady Cat volleyball team enjoyed their most successful season in the six year old program, including a win over the Callisburg Wildcat's, a team that went on to go four rounds deep in the state playoffs. Sarah joins a Lady Dragon program which enjoyed a national ranking of 18th and a seasonal record of 29-9. The Lady Dragons enjoyed posting victories over several NCAA division II and III teams as well as regulation conference opponents.

The transition from Lady Cat to Lady Dragon will be more than just a change in team colors. "It will be intensive!" said Senior Sarah Hagan "And I welcome the challenge because I know I'm going to have to train harder than ever before and stay focused on my goals."

For Sarah Hagan, intensive training will begin as soon as she puts down her track spikes and softball glove. "Going to the next level means I am now going to be the short one on the team and I must learn how to be flexible in all positions, but I look forward to playing on a level where everyone, competition included, has a serious level of dedication to the sport."

Lady Dragon volleyball Coach Mannis commented on the fact that he likes the way Sarah plays aggressive and "goes hard after every ball" which was a trademark

that helped the Lady Cat volleyball team run successful quick attacks. "Sarah's shoes will be hard to fill, but I am proud of her and all her accomplishments." Coach Hodgdon remarked as the crowd mingled during refreshments.

Friday's ceremony was complete with media coverage from the local television station, and attendance from her coaches, family, fellow thespians, as well as administrators from the high school and downtown offices. The gala event concluded with refreshments and an endless barrage of smiles and camera flashes. Sarah's teammates from the 2010 Lady Cat volleyball team were on hand for the festivities and as the memories of four high school seasons flowed endlessly between teammates, the girls welcomed the chance to wish Sarah good luck on her new journey.

## TOM BEAN

### Middle School Girls District Track



The 7th grade Ladycats competed very well in the District meet at Bells last week. Karli LeDane medaled 2nd in the 300 hurdles and 5th in the high jump. Alexis Jones placed 6th in the discus, Randi Cole placed 5th in the 100 hurdles, and the 400 relay (Kennedy Balzen, Haley Dodson, Karli LeDane, Randi Cole) placed 6th.

Madison Moore ran in the 800 relay.

The 8th Ladycats scored 81 points and came in 3rd overall in the district. All 3 relay teams medaled coming in 2nd in the 800 relay (Lexi Fuller/Madison Moore/Peyton Tinney/Lauren Khoury), 3rd in the 1600 relay (Ashley Deberry/Katelin Britton/Peyton Tinney/Lexi Fuller), and 1st

place in the 400 relay (Sheyenne Gibson/Ashley Deberry/Peyton Tinney/Katie Jones). Lauren Khoury placed 4th in the 100 hurdles and 6th in the long jump. Katie Jones medaled 1st in the 100 and 3rd in the 200, and 4th in the long jump. Cheyenne Jones placed 6th in the 800 run, Ashley Deberry medaled 1st in the 300 hurdles and Katelin Britton came in 6th.

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Dorothy Bishop, VAV Toastmasters, Contest Chair, Juanita Hazelton, VAV Toastmasters, 2nd Place Evaluation Contest, Mary Ellis, Daybreak Toastmasters, 1st Place Evaluation Contest, MJ Presley, VAV Toastmasters, Area Governor, Contest Chair, Tracey Lynn Ditter, District 50 Frontier Division Governor, Monica Lamb, District 50 Lt. Governor of Marketing

## Van Alstyne Voices Toastmasters

April 4 - Van Alstyne Voices Toastmaster Dorothy Bishop opened the meeting by calling on Bob Bishop for a prayer and pledge. Chuck Bardroff and Juanita Hazelton were the speakers for the evening. Both were evaluated by Bob Bishop. Beth Wells was Table Topics Master, calling on John Foscue, Bob Bishop, and Chuck Bardroff to speak

extemporaneously on topics of her choosing. John Foscue was voted as best table topics speaker. Guests were John Foscue, Beth Wells, and Josh Holbrook.

Juanita and Merrill Hazelton competed in the Toastmasters Area 21 International Speech & Evaluation Contest on April 2. Merrill was a contestant in the International Speech Contest. Juanita placed second in the Evaluation Contest. She will compete in the District contest on April 30 if the first place winner; Mary Ellis is unable to compete.

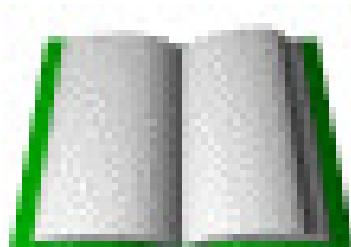
Toastmasters International is a not-for-profit educational organization whose mission is to help people develop their communication skills. Toastmasters can help people build their self-confidence and develop speaking skills in a friendly, positive environment. Van Alstyne Voices Toastmasters meets each Monday evening at 7 pm in Room 111 at Grayson County Community College South Campus in Van Alstyne. Visitors are welcome. Call Public Relations Officer Juanita Hazelton at 903-482-5991 for more information.



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## BookShelf

### *Van Alstyne Library*

*By Juanita Hazelton*

April 10-16 is National Library Week. The American Library Association invites you to follow library activities on Twitter at #nlw11. You can also find interesting happenings and information on Facebook at: [atyourlibrary.org](http://atyourlibrary.org). In the Van Alstyne Library you can record your happy library thoughts by signing our National Library Week Scroll of Honor. Tell us what you like about libraries, and our library in particular.

Aaron Emdy, Judy Spence, and Amy Parrish attended County Commissioner's Court on Monday, April 11, as Commissioners signed a proclamation in support of National Library Week. We appreciate the Grayson County Commissioner's Court for showing their support for libraries. We appreciate their continued support of libraries in Grayson County.

April 12-15 is also Texas Library Convention in Austin, Texas. On Wednesday, from 4-5 pm, thousands of Texas librarians took the time from their busy meeting schedule to rally for Texas libraries on the steps of the State Capital. Amy Parrish and Juanita Hazelton were attending the library convention and were there shouting too. Everyone attending the rally wore red shirts.

We hope you too wore a red shirt on Wednesday in support of Texas libraries.

This press release from Connie Moss, Coordinator of Northeast Texas Library System (NETLS) announces another National Library Week event: Book-of-the-Month Club launches first-ever National Donate a Book Day in partnership with ALTAFF. In celebration of 85 years of sharing the joy of reading, Direct Brands' Book-of-the-Month Club is announcing the first-ever Donate a Book Day™, beginning on Thursday, April 14 during National Library Week. This "Day of Donation™" is facilitated by a partnership with the Association of Library Trustees, Advocates, Friends and Foundations (ALTAFF), a division of the American Library Association (ALA).

On April 14, readers across the U.S. will be encouraged to donate new or gently used books to their local libraries. Books not added to the library's collection will be given to the Friends of the Library, who use donated books to stock their book sale fundraisers for the library.

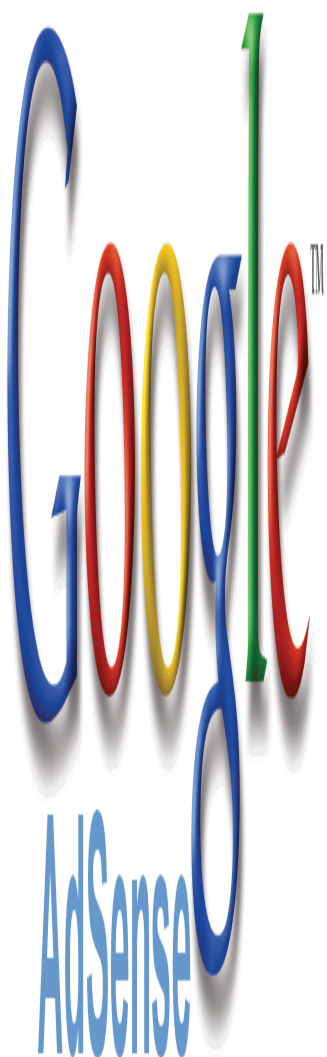
"What better way to launch the company's anniversary celebration year than by sharing the gift of reading with all of America,"

said Deborah Fine, president and CEO, Direct Brands, Inc. "We hope this creates excitement in every home to take a favorite book and pay it forward, sharing the stories they've loved within their very own communities," states Fine.

"We are excited to be partnering with Book-of-the-Month Club in this effort to encourage readers to donate books to their libraries," said ALTAFF Executive Director Sally Gardner Reed. "Donated books put quality reading materials back into circulation in the community or can be given to Friends who will use them to raise money for the library. It's a win-win situation for everyone involved."

To further the celebration, Book-of-the-Month Club will also launch an online promotion during National Library Week at [facebook.com/BookOfTheMonth](http://facebook.com/BookOfTheMonth), where 85 winners will be rewarded for their donation efforts by winning a library of 10 new books to add to their personal collections, courtesy of Book-of-the-Month Club and Random House.

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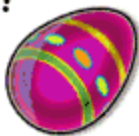


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## Recycling at Earth Day

Recycling efforts abound at Earth Day Texoma, April 16. The parking lot on the south side of Sherman City Hall (northeast corner of Pecan at South Elm Streets) will be the site for multiple recycling opportunities.

Paper files will be shredded and reused. The computers and inkjets used to generate the files will be recycled and kept out of landfills. Baseball caps and blood will be recycled too at Earth Day, one of the biggest festivals in Texoma.

Everyone has a baseball cap stuffed in the back of the closet. Most of us have several that we're never going to use. Red River Unitarian Universalist Church is collecting caps for field workers south of the border. "Workers in Central American need your help to save their eyes," said Suzanne Durland who is coordinating the effort.

"I will have two locations for people to deposit their caps," she said. "Sunglasses are welcome as well." Caps and sunglasses will be collected from 10 am to 4 pm.

A paper shredding truck, courtesy of Wells Fargo Advisors, will be parked in the south parking lot of the Sherman city building. Cars and trucks (no trailers please) will be allowed to drive through to unload paper and documents for shredding from 10 am to 4 pm.

Visitors can park and watch their documents being shredded on camera if they desire. The paper recycling truck will also be able to accept paper that is already shredded for recycling. It is not necessary to remove staples and paper clips. This is a secure and environmental way to dispose of documents.

EWaste Disposal (EWD) will be providing recycling at the Texoma Earth Day. Joan Meeks, coordinator for EWD, said EWaste are items that have reached their end of usage cycle. "Please don't dispose of these items in the trash," Meeks said. "EWaste contaminates our landfills with their toxicity." Bring your items to Texoma's Earth Day instead.

EWaste are items that operate on electricity: refrigerators, car batteries, VCR tapes, electronics, printers, computers, TVs, DVDs, cameras, coffee pots, blow dryers, paper shredders and more. Items will be recycled free with the exception of TVs (\$15), CRTs (\$7), and Freon items (\$35). "A certified Hard Drive swipe can be done for \$15," Meeks said.

Rapid Refill Ink has been a sponsor of Earth Day for several years. Owners Bill and Trudy Whitney have added the service of recycling printer ink cartridges and toner cartridges to their support of the festival.

"Drum units and retired printers can also be recycled," Trudy said. Many of the products collected will be sent to an electronics recycler. Some of the more common inkjets will be remanufactured at Rapid Refill.

"We will offer a \$3 coupon valid for purchase of a remanufactured or refilled Rapid Refill Ink product when a visitor brings empty cartridges that can be reused in our store," Trudy said. Toners and printers will be recycled free of charge."

The Sherman Noon Lions Club will have members on site to collect eyeglasses donations as well.

Blood can be donated in the Municipal Ballroom from 10 am to 4 pm on April 16 as well. The Bloodmobile will be at an alternate location that day but workers will be in hand to accept donations for the needy in a clean area.

Earth Day will be celebrated April 16 on the Sherman Municipal Grounds from 8:30 am to 5:00 pm. There will be entertainment, environmental workshops, vendors, arts, food, and fun for the whole family. See [www.EarthDayTexoma.org](http://www.EarthDayTexoma.org) for more.



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## SCP Opens “Arsenic And Old Lace”

On Friday evening, April 8, the Sherman Community Players will be opening the fourth show in the theatre’s 2010-11 season with the classic 1940’s screwball comedy “Arsenic And Old Lace” by Joseph Kesselring.

The wacky black comedy revolves around Mortimer Brewster, a drama critic, who must deal with his crazy homicidal family and local police in Brooklyn, New York. His family includes two sweet spinster aunts who have taken to murdering lonely old men by poisoning them with a glass of their famous elderberry wine, laced with arsenic, strychnine and “just a pinch” of cyanide. Brother Teddy believes he is Teddy Roosevelt and digs locks for the Panama Canal in the cellar of the Brewster home which serves as graves for the aunts’ victims. Things really get interesting when another brother, Jonathan, arrives home to hide from the police with his sidekick, a plastic surgeon named Dr. Einstein!

Playwright Kesselring was inspired by actual event in Connecticut where a woman took in boarders and allegedly poisoned them for their pensions. He originally conceived the play as a heavy drama, but a friend, upon reading the half-

finished play, convinced him it would be much more effective as a comedy. Since its premier in 1941, it has been delighting audiences for years. The popular movie starring Cary Grant still remains a favorite.

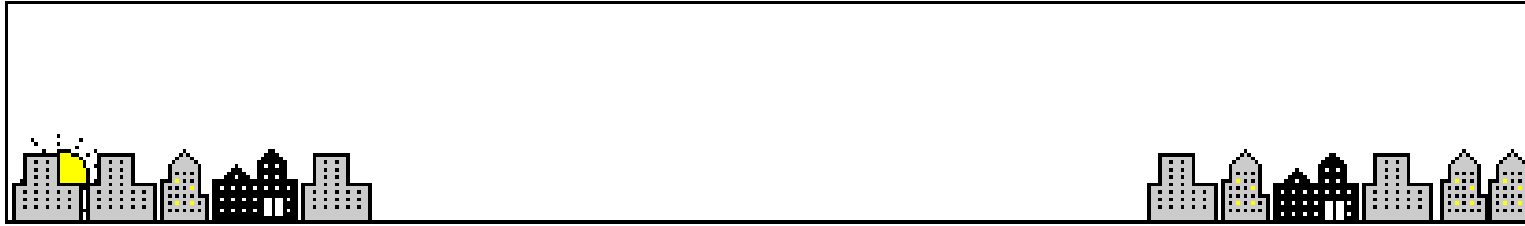
Heading a 14-member cast are veteran SCP performers as the two sisters are Karen Schuth and Carolyn Montgomery. SCP staff member John Lonnevik takes on the coveted role of nephew Teddy. Travis Lyons is cast in the Cary Grant role, and his wife Charlene Lyons plays his love interest. Paul Jordan plays Jonathan and Johnny Flowers is Einstein.

Rounding out the cast as a preacher, police officers and potential poison victims are Rim Nall, Ed Richardson, Billy Keene, Larry Winters, John Markl, Mark Beardsley and Bob Entrekin.

“Arsenic & Old Lace” opens April 8 and runs through April 23 with performances on Thursday, Friday, and Saturday evenings at 8 pm and Sunday afternoons at 2 pm. The box office number is 903-892-8818. Performances will be held in the Finley Theatre, 500 North Elm, in Sherman.



Music by Kevin McCloud



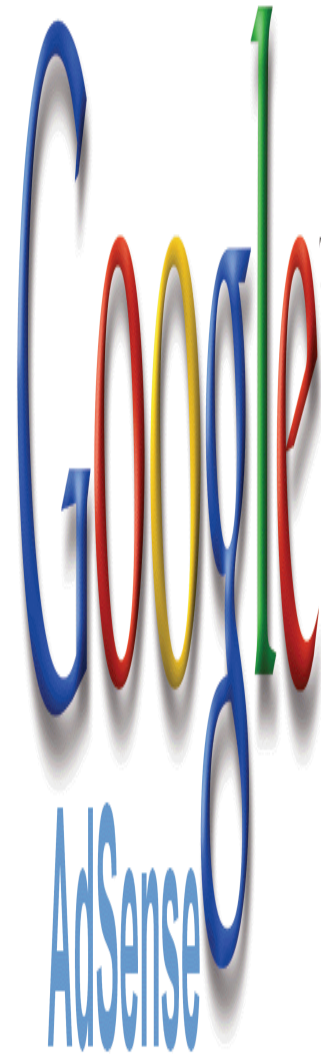
## Property Tax Seminar To Be Held

A free seminar, open to the public, on how to “Effectively Protest Your Property’s Appraised Value for Taxes,” will be held on Thursday, May 5, at 7 pm at the Denison Senior Citizens Center, 531 W. Chestnut.

Statistics vary by area, but according to the National Taxpayers Union, experts estimate that between 30 and 60 percent of taxable property in the United States is over-assessed, and this leads to higher property tax bills. Middle and lower-income taxpayers are among the most often over-assessed. Yet typically fewer than 5 percent of taxpayers challenge their assessments, even though the majority who do so win at least a partial victory when properly prepared.

“Protesting your property’s value is the most immediate form of tax relief,” says Galveston County Tax Assessor/Collector Cheryl E. Johnson who will be conducting the free seminar. “The class provides all the necessary information for you to be successful when presenting your case at the county appraisal district.”

This award winning seminar, hosted by Virginia Cook, Realtors, is now part of continuing education for the Houston CPA Society and is designed to educate property taxpayers on how to effectively protest increases in property values for taxes.



## HAZ-CO FIRE ACADEMY HAS 100% PASS RATE ON STATE FIRE EXAM

Haz-Co Fire Academy's Evening class took the Texas State Commission on Fire Protection State Certification examination on March 30, 2011 at the training center. All students passed the state test.

The state test consists of a written examination and a demonstration of skills.

Haz-Co is owned and operated by Bill Palya and Kevin Walton. Palya and Walton are also adjunct instructors for Texas A&M Fire School held each year at Brayton Fire Field in College Station.

Haz-Co was established in 1987 offering hazardous training to local industries and in 1994, the Haz Co Fire Training Academy was established. It was the first independently owned fire training academy in the state of Texas. Haz Co has its own smoke maze and burn field.

Haz Co offers both day and evening classes. For more information, contact Nancy Shirley at 903-564-3862 or visit the web page at [www.haz-fire.com](http://www.haz-fire.com).



### Texas Historical Marker Dedication

The marker dedication for the Donald and Rose Marie Mayes Home in Denison will be held next Saturday, April 16, 2011 at 11 am. This even will be open to the public and please feel free to extend this invitation to anyone you know who may be interested.

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April 14

## Preserving Forest History

By Bob Bowman

There's a new look these days at one of East Texas' most unusual museums.

The Texas Forestry Museum, built in 1976 to preserve the history and heritage of the forests and forest products industry, recently underwent an extensive renovation at Lufkin.

As a result, the museum offers visitors new perspectives of Texas' earliest industry, sawmilling, and one of its newest, the manufacture of paper.

Texas' first sawmill was built in the 1820s near Harrisburg by the Harris and Wilson families and was destroyed by Santa Anna in 1836 a few days before he was defeated at San Jacinto by Texas revolutionaries.

While the manufacture of paper in Texas began with a few modest efforts in the 1890s, it wasn't until 1940 that the first paper mill, a

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By Dorothy N. Fowler

Attention Donald Trump and all other "birthers" who are illiterate or idiots or some combination of the above. The information below is available to anyone who can turn on a computer and run a Google search or find a public library. This settles the issue. Let it go! Concentrate on a question that has merit. You will find it below.

Currently, Title 8 of the U.S. Code fills in the gaps left by the Constitution. Section 1401 defines the following as people who are "citizens of the United States at birth:"

Anyone born inside the United States \* editorial note (That has included Hawaii for most of my 75 years)

Any Indian or Eskimo born in the United States, provided being a citizen of the U.S. does not impair the person's status as a citizen of the tribe

Any one born outside the United States, both of whose parents are citizens of the U.S., as long as one parent has lived in the U.S.

Any one born outside the United States, if one parent is a citizen and lived in the U.S. for at least one year and the other parent is a U.S. national

Any one born in a U.S. possession, if one parent is a citizen and lived in the U.S. for at least one year

Any one found in the U.S. under the age of five, whose parentage cannot be determined, as long as proof of non-citizenship is not provided by age 21

Any one born outside the United States, if one parent is an alien and as long as the other parent is a citizen of the U.S. who lived in the U.S. for at least five years (with military and diplomatic service included in this time)

A final, historical condition: a person born before 5/24/1934 of an alien father and a U.S. citizen mother who has lived in the U.S.

\* There is an exception in the law — the person must be "subject to the jurisdiction" of the United States. This would exempt the child of a diplomat, for example, from this provision.

Anyone falling into these categories is considered natural-born, and is eligible to run for President or Vice President.

Now, this is the important question:

Why are so many conservatives so obsessed with protecting the unborn when they apparently care nothing about the children who are already here? Republican state legislators and Tea Partiers in the Congress are all determined to cut funding for affordable housing, medical care for women and

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## **BOB BOWMAN'S**

### **EAST TEXAS, continued**

newsprint manufacturer, was built in the heartland of the pine forests.

The success of Southland Paper Mills of Lufkin paved the way for the construction of other mills in Texas and the South.

While the Museum has hundreds of items on display, it is also responsible for some of the largest museum exhibits in Texas, including:

\*A full-sized lookout tower used by firefighters to spot forest fires. It is one of the last such towers left in Texas.

\*A complete logging train, including a locomotive, steam log loader, a log car, and a caboose.

\*A railroad depot once used at Camden, a pioneering sawmill town in Polk County.

\*A twenty-ton working steam engine once used to power sawmill machine.

\*A high-wheel logging cart, one of the last left in Texas.

The Museum itself has an interesting history. The original concept was offered in 1957 by A.W. Nelson, Jr. of Champion Paper and Fiber Company and became a formal project of the Texas Forestry Association a year later.

The association's members, prodded by TFA executive secretary Ed Waggoner of Lufkin, began collecting items and assembled most of them at Stephen F. Austin State College in Nacogdoches. The items were displayed by the college's School of Forestry and a museum building was proposed, but was never built in Nacogdoches.

An offer by SFA president Ralph Steen to provide land for the museum near the historic Old Stone Fort on the college campus was considered, but shelved when the Forestry Association started work on a new building at Lufkin.

In 1975, Melvin E. Kurth, Jr., chaired a fund-raising drive for the Museum at Lufkin.

John Fleming of Independence, Missouri, holds a special place in the history of the museum. In May 1978 he was the 5,000th person to visit the museum.

(Bob Bowman of Lufkin is the author of almost 50 books on East Texas history and folklore. He can be reached at bob-bowman.com)

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## **Dot's Dashes, continued**

children, nutrition programs for women and children and educational services for poor children using as their rationale "we must control spending."

Heaven forbid that the richest 400 families in the United States who own more wealth than do the 178 million people at the bottom of the economic heap should be asked to pay more taxes!

Instead, get that balanced budget on the backs of people whose kids are already hungry and naked.

I am reminded, as the budget fight progresses, of the American Civil War, when Southerners, the majority of whom owned no slaves, flocked to the Confederate cause, which Confederate leaders clearly described as protecting and expanding the institution of slavery.

Where was their judgment? And where is the judgment of people who think that making the poor even poorer will solve our economic and social problems, especially when the funding for this crusade is coming from billionaires whose interests do not include protecting the interests of the middle class?

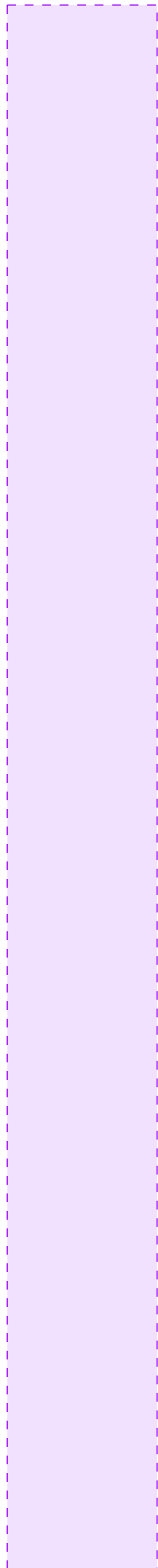
Fowler's first law is still: "Use a little sense!"

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*Cattle Egrets*



***The third annual Spring Photo Safari*** is set at Hagerman National Wildlife Refuge for Saturday, April 30. This nature photography event will begin at 8 am and end with a brown bag lunch and discussion forum at 11:30 am. It is open to photographers of all levels of experience and camera types. Small groups led by knowledgeable photographers will go out on the Refuge to shoot together and share techniques.

There is no charge for participation in the photo safari but advance registration is required as space is limited; to register, send your name, contact information and camera make and model to [fohphotoclub@gmail.com](mailto:fohphotoclub@gmail.com).

Hagerman NWR is located at 6465 Refuge Road, Sherman, Texas, 75092. Photo programs at the Refuge are sponsored by the Refuge and the Friends of Hagerman Nature Photo Club. For more information, see [www.friendsofhagerman.com](http://www.friendsofhagerman.com) or call the Refuge, 903 786 2826.

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## Free Medicare Preventive Care Has Kicked In

One of the benefits of the health reform law took effect January 1, 2011: free preventive services for Medicare recipients. Under the law, people with regular Medicare will no longer have to pay a co-pay, coinsurance or deductible to receive preventive services that are highly recommended by the U.S. Preventive Services Task Force -- services that include screenings for breast cancer, colon cancer, diabetes and heart disease, as well as smoking cessation counseling. Private Medicare plans (also known as Medicare Advantage plans) may still charge for these services, but many do not.

Also under the health reform law, Medicare Part B beneficiaries will now receive an annual wellness visit free of charge. During this yearly visit, your doctor or other health practitioner recognized by Medicare (such as a nurse practitioner) will update your medical history and current prescriptions; measure your height, weight, blood pressure and body mass index; create a screening schedule for

the next 5 to 10 years and screen for cognitive issues. And Medicare now pays in full, without patient co-pays or deductibles, for the initial "Welcome to Medicare" that Medicare has offered since 2005 to beneficiaries within 12 months of their becoming covered under Medicare Part B.

"Preventing diseases that can be prevented, and detecting others at earlier, more treatable stages, are among the keystones for transforming Medicare," said Jonathan Blum, deputy administrator and director of the Center for Medicare at the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services.

"By eliminating the beneficiary's out-of-pocket costs for most preventive services, we are removing a barrier to access and paving the way for improved health for seniors and people with disabilities who rely on Medicare for their health coverage."



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## Capitol Watch

By Larry Phillips, State Representative



### Sunset Bills

Agencies come up for review before the legislature at least every twelve years, in a process that is commonly referred to as "sunset." The reviews of agencies are staggered, so that an average of 25 agencies come up for review in any given session. This session there are 28 agencies up for review, including the Department of Transportation, the Department of Insurance, the Commission on Environmental Quality, and the Public Utility Commission. This week, the House heard the first two sunset bills of the session.

The Sunset Commission holds hearings during the interim regarding proposed changes to state agencies up for review. The Commission then issues reports to the legislature with the commission's recommendations. Members who sit on the Sunset Commission author the bills that may include, but are not limited to, the Commission's recommendations. Most importantly, a sunset bill must pass in order for an agency that is under review to continue to exist. Sunset legislation is a priority in every session.

This week, the House heard H.B. 1808, which was the sunset bill for the Texas State Soil and Water Conservation Board. The board was created by the Legislature to work directly with owners and operators of agricultural land to develop and implement conservation plans involving land treatment measures for erosion control, water quantity, and water quality purposes. H.B. 1808 provides for the continuation of the agency and several statutory modifications to provide processes and systems to ensure that agency programs are effective and accountable.

The House also debated H.B. 2271, which is the sunset bill for the Texas Racing Commission and also the Equine Research Account Advisory Committee. In 1986, the Legislature created the Texas Racing Commission to oversee the racing industry. The Commission is charged with licensing racetracks and their employees, overseeing live racing events, and monitoring and certifying wagering transactions. H.B. 2271 provides for the continuation of the agency for six years and makes some changes to the agency's regulatory abilities. Also in H.B. 2271 is the provision that abolishes the 11-member Equine Research Account Advisory Committee. This committee was charged with recommending funding for equine research projects; however, it failed to provide clear results, and therefore was abolished.

For more information on these bills or any matter of state government, please contact my office by writing to P.O. Box 2910, Austin, TX 78768-2910 or by emailing me at [larry.phillips@house.state.tx.us](mailto:larry.phillips@house.state.tx.us) My district office phone number is (903) 891-7297.

### LETTER TO THE EDITOR:

## America Must Lead

The Libyan people rose up against their dictatorial and murderous president, and asked for world help to overthrow the tyrant and establish a democracy in Libya, but the world, including the U.S., delayed taking any action. The western world wanted to study the situation.

Finally, about a month later, the U.N. agreed to impose sanctions, including a no fly zone around Libya, and coalition missiles and planes attacked Gadhafi's military forces. They were able to halt Gadhafi's drive to retake Benghazi and eastern Libya. The opposition forces in the east were saved from annihilation, but unfortunately Gadhafi's forces had penetrated many cities and had the opposition on the run.

The dithering and dathering by the U.N., including the U.S., inhibited the momentum of the rebel forces, and it has resulted in a potentially long drawn out stalemate in Libya. The stalemate might be broken if we employ helicopter gunships against Gadhafi's military in and around the cities; and provide the rebels with anti-tank weapons.

The US finally acted to avert a humanitarian disaster in Libya, and we continued our quest to promote democracy in the region. We also might have contributed to the establishment of some stability in the Middle East, which is necessary to calm fears of disruption to the flow of oil, and the impact on world oil prices.

It is our duty to provide leadership to countries and populations in the world who cry out for help when they are threatened by the dark forces of totalitarianism.

Donald A. Moskowitz  
Londonderry, NH





## Hall, Republicans Keep Government Open While Cutting Spending, Encouraging Job Growth

WASHINGTON, DC . . . Rep. Ralph Hall (TX-04) released the following statement after the House, Senate, and White House came to a budget agreement Friday, April 8, for the remainder of fiscal year (FY) 2011:

“Last night the House reached a bipartisan agreement on spending cuts - the largest in American history - immediately cutting \$38.5 billion in federal spending, while fully funding our servicemen and women. This is just months after President Obama asked Congress for a spending ‘freeze’ that would mean zero cuts. Republicans’ successful negotiation represents the largest year-to-year spending cuts since World War II. Over the next decade the agreement will continue to cut hundreds of billions of dollars from the federal budget, officially ending the spending binge that began in 2009 with the ‘stimulus,’ and setting the stage for trillions more in spending cuts.

“When they controlled both the House and Senate last year, Washington Democrats neglected to pass a budget, though they did pass a national takeover of healthcare. As a result, when the new Republican Majority convened in January, we were given the task of passing a budget that would fund the federal government while upholding the pledge we made to the American people to cut out-of-control spending.

“Despite the fact that Republicans control only one-half of three branches of government in Washington, an agreement was reached that not only achieved two-thirds of our spending cuts, but guarantees a Senate debate and vote to repeal Obama healthcare and defund Planned Parenthood. This agreement is the answer to a pledge the Americans expect, and one that is in keeping with Tea Party determination to ‘take back our country.’

“Though these cuts are a first step towards serious budget reform, it is critical that we continue to make significant cuts to promote an environment for job creation and economic growth. We have an obligation to the American people to get the government budget balanced, and that’s what I’m working to do as we now turn our focus on passing a budget for FY 2012, advancing our fight from saving billions of dollars to saving trillions.”



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## Selected Sites

[Texas Records and Information Locator \(TRAIL\)](#) searches and locates information from over 180 Texas state agency web services.

[The Handbook of Texas Online](#) is a multidisciplinary encyclopedia of Texas history, geography, and culture sponsored by the Texas State Historical Association and the General Libraries at UT Austin.

[Texas Online](#): The official website for the Great State of Texas and provides instant access to almost 800 state and local government services.

[Library of Texas](#): Immediately start searching multiple Texas library catalogs and other knowledge collections in one sitting.

## Christian Fellowship

If you are looking for a homelike place to worship then come join them at A Christian Fellowship. Each Sunday morning begins with coffee and doughnut fellowship at 9 am followed by classes for all ages at 9:30. Worship service begins at 10:30, this week's service will be led by Mike Ball. The church celebrates the Lord's Supper each Sunday morning during worship service.

Praise and worship is led by David Ellis and is a contemporary style service. Dress is casual.

The youth group will be holding a garage sale at the church with the date to be announced later time. The youth group will also be helping with the garage sale that the Red Cross will be holding on April 16 at the old J.C. Penney building at the Midway Mall. Come on out and help out the Red Cross.

The church holds study groups throughout the week. Wednesday night begins with a pot luck dinner beginning at 6:30pm, followed by praise and worship and a devotional.

The church is located on the West side of Hwy 11 in Luella, look for the red brick building with the green metal roof on the hill, the cross will light the way for you.

For more information contact Mike Ball at 903-870-0219

## Tom Bean Church of Christ

The Tom Bean Church of Christ invites everyone to come and worship with us.

Services begin each Sunday with Bible class for all ages at 9 am and worship at 10 am. The evening worship service begins at 6 pm. The Lord's Supper is given each Sunday. The morning and evening lessons are brought by Kerry King with congregational singing lead by Charles Counts. Wednesday, we have Bible classes for all ages beginning at 7 pm. The church is located at the corner of FM902 and FM2729 South in Tom Bean, TX.

We have two radio programs each Sunday at 7:30 am on KFYN 1420AM and KFYZ 93.5FM. The lessons are brought by A.C. Quinn.

The Gospel of Christ news letter can be found at <http://www.thegospelofchrist.com/newsletter>.



## Missing The Mark

by Willie Sofey

The Greek word hamartia is translated as sin in the New Testament. In classical Greek, it means to "miss the mark" or to "miss the target" as in archery. In the Hebrew, "hatta'â" is translated, "a falling away from or missing the right path." One of Webster's definitions of "target" is "a mark, a line, or a boundary."

God gave Adam four instructions in the boundary of the Garden of Eden, (1) work the garden, (2) guard it's sanctity, (3) name the animals, (4) eat of its fruit with the exception of the fruit of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil (and possibly of the fruit of the tree of life), Gen. 2:15-20.

This "mark" or "boundary" was quite a gracious "mark" of kindness provided by God to man, and a mark seemingly difficult to miss.

However, Adam and Eve "missed the mark" and by "missing the mark," sin entered into the being of mankind. Read Genesis 3:1-24 about the temptation by Satan, the sin of man, the judgments, the necessity of a second Adam (Christ Gen. 3:15) that would provide the way, or path back to a communion with Almighty God.

Mankind continued to sin (miss the mark) and 10 generations from Adam, God chose to repopulate the earth after a universal cleansing flood. Read chapters 6, 7, 8, and 9 of the Book of Genesis. Then 10 generations later (Gen. 11:10-26), Abram was born, whom God made a covenant (Gen. 15:1-21) with and changed his name to Abraham. Because of Abraham's faith (Gen. 15:6) of God's "mark or target" for him, a succession of blessings ensued that are still prevalent today.

Ten generations later, God made a call on a reluctant man by the name of Moses to deliver the nation of Israel (Abraham's promised descendents) from the cruel nation of Egypt. During this exodus deliverance, God gave the nation of Israel a list of "boundaries" or

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George Seevers, 903/364-2942

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7pm

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## Missing the Mark, continued

“marks” (Ten Commandments) to live within (Exodus 20:3-17).

After Moses’ death, Joshua was triumphant in his conquest of Canaan (the Promised Land). However the Israelites failed to eradicate all the inhabitants of Canaan as God commanded. Because of this disobedience, Israel tolerated Canaan’s religious practices, such as idol worship, prostitution of both sexes, and infant sacrifices.

As a result Israel frequently absorbed these practices into their religion, a complete “missing of the mark” set by God. At the end of his life, Joshua made a covenant for the people, he drew up for them decrees and laws... and recorded these things in the Book of the Law of God (and on a large stone), the Lord said to us, “It will be a witness against you if you are untrue to your God.” (Joshua 24:23-27)... another “mark” or “target” was established for God’s people.

God’s ultimate “mark,” “target,” “path,” “way,” given to mankind came in the form of His Son, Jesus Christ. Jesus Christ, the Co-Creator of the universe, humbled Himself to become an incarnate being, conceived of the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, being the 42nd flesh generation of Abraham (Matt. 1:17), whom God promised that “all peoples on earth will be blessed through you” (Gen. 12:3 and Gal. 3:8&16).

In order to avoid “missing the mark” mankind needs to focus closer towards the “target” of the embodiment of God’s only Son, Jesus Christ, to regain God’s original communal intent of His creation of mankind.

Aiming closer towards the “target” makes it easier to hit and conversely aiming away from it... makes it impossible to hit.

Avoid sin (“Missing the Mark”) by aiming at Jesus (“The Target”).

Thanks for providing me with “The Target” and the instructor (Holy Spirit) that enables me to hit “The Mark” and receive the ultimate trophy (Crown of Life).

## First Baptist Church, Melissa

First Baptist Church Melissa offers three identical worship services led by Pastor Trey Graham every Sunday morning at 9, 10:15, and 11:30 am. Pastor Trey’s current message series is an in-depth study of Genesis titled “From the Start.”

Small group Bible studies, known as Communities, meet Sunday mornings at 8, 9, 10:15, and 11:30 am, Wednesday evenings at 6:30 pm, and many other times during the week. Contact Matt Ward at [matt@firstmelissa.com](mailto:matt@firstmelissa.com) for information on Communities.

Students in grades 7-12 gather at 6:30 pm on Wednesdays in the brand-new Strive Student Theater for the AMP’D worship service led by Matt Ward and the student ministry band.

“Ignite Kids” (birth-6th grade) have a number of worship and Bible study opportunities on Wednesdays. Our mid-week ministry for children is titled “High Voltage.” Fusion (grades 5-6) meets in their new home, room A300 in Building A. Preschoolers have moved into their beautiful new facility in Building B and children in grades K-4 meet in our main worship center to enjoy the exciting ministry led by Kevin Blevins and his team. For more information, email Kevin Blevins at [kblevins@firstmelissa.com](mailto:kblevins@firstmelissa.com).

The women of First Melissa are studying the Beth Moore video study, called “Believing God”, led by Bretta Graham. They meet at 6:30 pm on Wednesdays in the newly renovated Catalyst hallway in Building A.

Pastor Tim Cypert will continue teaching a mid-week series on the New Testament book of James this Wednesday night at 6:30 pm in Annex 1.

First Melissa will offer four identical worship services on Easter Sunday, April 24. Join us at 7:45, 9:00, 10:15, or 11:30 am to worship the Risen Savior.

“Faith Walk with Trey Graham,” a daily Bible teaching radio program, is heard Monday-Friday at 10:00 am on The Word 100.7 FM. For more information, visit [www.treygraham.com](http://www.treygraham.com).

“Smart Talk with Trey Graham,” a weekly talk radio program, is heard Sundays at 4:00 pm on The Word 100.7 FM. For more information, visit [www.treygraham.com](http://www.treygraham.com).

“Lessons for the Journey” and “Light for the Journey,” inspirational books written by Pastor Trey Graham, are available for purchase at [www.amazon.com](http://www.amazon.com), at [www.treygraham.com](http://www.treygraham.com), at the First Melissa church office, or in local bookstores.

First Melissa is making a difference for the cause of Jesus Christ around the world. To learn about mission trips and opportunities to visit Guatemala, Kenya, Vietnam, Israel, and New Orleans, contact Tim Cypert at [tim@firstmelissa.com](mailto:tim@firstmelissa.com).

First Melissa is located at 2101 Melissa Road East in Melissa. For more information or directions, visit the church online at [www.firstmelissa.com](http://www.firstmelissa.com) or call 972.838.2277.



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RED RIVER  
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CHURCH OF CHRIST  
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Shannon Jackson, minister,  
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CHURCH OF CHRIST

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## Neighborhood Genealogist – Getting more Information

by Dale Rideout

In our first article I showed you how to fill out two of the basic information sheets that are used in recording your ancestry. I hope you filled out pages for everyone that you have information on because that is the best way to start. Later we will talk about putting that information on a computer program.

Now I will give you some ideas about finding more information. Look over the sheets you already have, and notice the areas that are missing information. Now look and see who on those sheets will know that information that you are missing. Think about it. We are talking about your parents, grandparents, great-grandparents, aunts, uncles, cousins, and others who are still living and may be able to answer your questions.

Make plans to visit these folks. I suggest you take a tape recorder and plenty of note paper. Also be prepared with the questions you need answered.

There are two types of questions you want to ask. First is the specific question that you needed answered. "When was Aunt Judy Born? Where was Aunt Judy Born? What was Aunt Judy's maiden name?" You may have a lot of these so be ready to get the answers. These questions usually have very short answers.

Next you will want to ask a lot of open ended questions. These are questions that may have very long answers. This is where you will want to have your tape recorder going. Once your "Grandma" starts on the answer, do not stop her. Let her keep going with her story. You will often get a lot of information that you never expected. This is the time that you will want to carefully listen to what she says and not be distracted by writing it all down. You will hear things that give you other questions to ask. These interviews are priceless and someday day you will be glad you have them recorded.

Here are some of the open ended questions that will start such a conversation:

Where did you grow up?  
What were your parents like? Your siblings?  
What do you remember about your grandparents?  
Who were your friends?  
What was school like for you?

What did you do for fun when you were a child?  
when you were a teenager?  
What movies and songs did you like when you were young?  
How did you meet your spouse?  
What important lessons have you learned in your life?  
When and where were you born?  
How did you get your name?  
What did you look like as a baby?  
What color are your eyes?  
What color is your hair?  
What are your earliest memories?  
Who is your mother?  
Describe her appearance and personality.  
Did your mother work outside the home?  
What did she do?  
Who is your father? Describe him and his personality.  
Did your father do home repairs?  
What were his hobbies?  
What was your father's occupation?  
How many siblings do you have?  
What are their names?  
Where do you fit in the family?  
What family rules did you have?  
What did your parents value?  
Did you have assignments or chores when you were a child?  
Did you get along well with your siblings when you were children?  
Do you get along well with your siblings now?  
Did you know your grandparents?  
What were they like?  
Did you know any of your great-grandparents?  
Tell about them.  
Who were your earliest friends?  
Where did you play?  
What kinds of games did you play?"

Well you can see that these I much information to be gathered by these interviews. I have a six page list that I give to my classes when I teach beginning genealogy. I am sending that list to your newspaper and if you want a copy, contact them. Or you could send me an e-mail and I will send the list back to you:  
dalerideout@cableone.net. Everywhere you go and everything you do gives you the opportunity to ask more questions. Keep records of all the information you gather and where it came from. You are on your way to becoming a real researcher. More next month.



## How Long Was Jesus in the Grave?

For centuries, Christians have observed the crucifixion of Jesus as being on Friday afternoon and the resurrection at dawn the following Sunday. This is only a period of about 40 hours and certainly does not fit Jesus' prediction of three days and three nights.

"For as Jonah was three days and three nights in the belly of a whale, so the Son of Man will be three days and three nights in the heart of the earth." - Matthew 12:40

The problem is neither with Jesus' prediction nor with the Bible. The problem is with our tradition that misses a very important fact of the events of that week in Jesus' ministry.

The Bible tells us that Jesus was crucified on the Day of Preparation for the Passover Sabbath. (Mark 15:42; Luke 23:54; John 19:14, 31). The Hebrew calendar begins each day at the evening twilight of the previous day. For example, the Jewish Friday begins at what would be the beginning of Thursday evening on our calendars. The Day of Preparation for Passover was always the 14th of the Hebrew month Abib (also known as Nisan). Passover began that evening, the 15th.

Each year Passover fell on a different day of the week. Passover was always a Special Sabbath. So except for those years when Passover happened to fall on Saturday, which was the regular

weekly Sabbath, there would be two Sabbaths during Passover week.

Jesus was raised from the dead on the morning after the regular weekly Sabbath. It is never said that He was raised the morning after the Passover Sabbath. This would indicate that, as was most often the case, Passover did not fall that year on the regular weekly Sabbath.

The events of this most detailed week of Jesus' life come together perfectly if in that year the Passover Sabbath fell on Friday. That would place Jesus' crucifixion on the day of Preparation for the Passover (Thursday); followed by the Passover Sabbath (Friday); followed by the weekly Sabbath (Saturday); followed by the resurrection Sunday morning. Jesus was in the grave, as He had predicated, three days and three nights.

The problem with our tradition is that those who established the tradition failed to realize that there are two Sabbaths during Passover week rather than just one.

Steve Casey  
Author of In God We Trust –  
The Faith of the Men on Our Money  
Stonewall, Louisiana



## Subject: RECYCLING - ALL ABOUT THE GREEN THING

In the line at the store, the cashier told the older woman that plastic bags weren't good for the environment. The woman apologized to her and explained, "We didn't have the green thing back in my day."

That's right, they didn't have the green thing in her day. Back then, they returned their milk bottles, Coke bottles and beer bottles to the store. The store sent them back to the plant to be washed and sterilized and refilled, using the same bottles over and over. So they really were recycled.

But they didn't have the green thing back in her day. In her day, they walked up stairs, because they didn't have an escalator in every store and office building. They walked to the grocery store and didn't climb into a 300-horsepower machine every time they had to go two blocks. But she's right. They didn't have the green thing in her day. Back then, they washed the baby's diapers because they didn't have the throw-away kind. They dried clothes on a line, not in an energy gobbling machine burning up 220 volts - wind and solar power really did dry the clothes.

Kids got hand-me-down clothes from their brothers or sisters, not always brand-new clothing. But that old lady is right, they didn't have the green thing back in her day.

Back then, they had one TV, or radio, in the house - not a TV in every room. And the TV had a small screen the size of a pizza dish, not a screen the size of the

state of Montana. In the kitchen, they blended and stirred by hand because they didn't have electric machines to do everything for you. When they packaged a fragile item to send in the mail, they used wadded up newspaper to cushion it, not styrofoam or plastic bubble wrap.

Back then, they didn't fire up an engine and burn gasoline just to cut the lawn. They used a push mower that ran on human power. They exercised by working so they didn't need to go to a health club to run on treadmills that operate on electricity. But she's right, they didn't have the green thing back then.

They drank from a fountain when they were thirsty, instead of using a cup or a plastic bottle every time they had a drink of water. They refilled pens with ink, instead of buying a new pen, and they replaced the razor blades in a razor instead of throwing away the whole razor just because the blade got dull. But they didn't have the green thing back then.

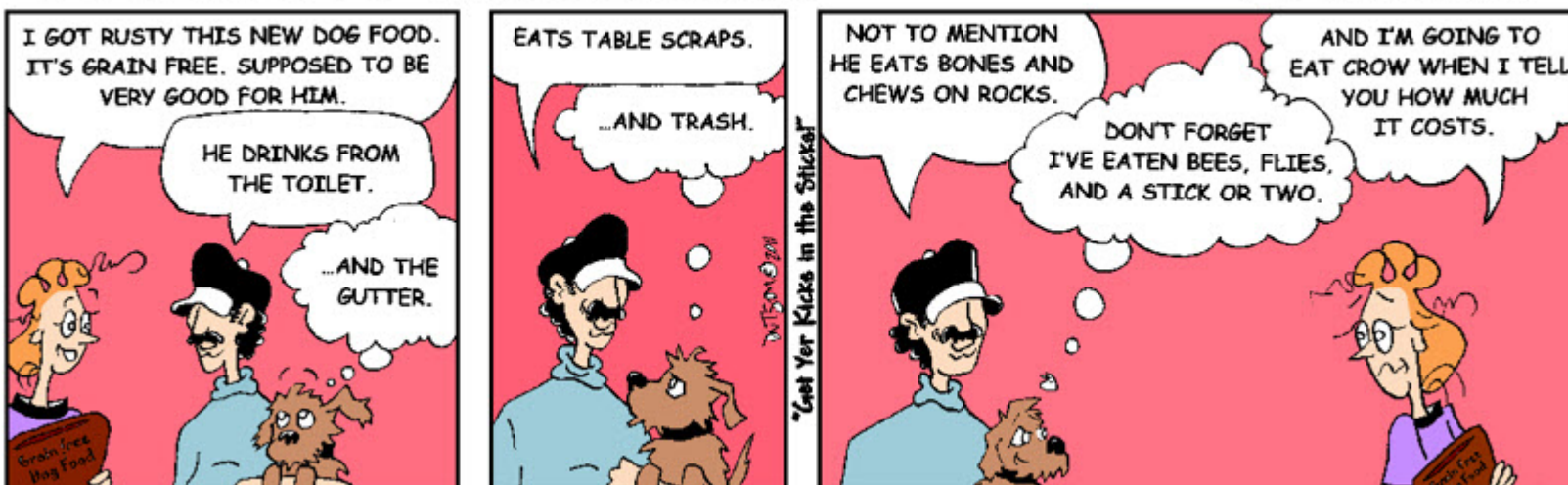
Back then, people took the streetcar and kids rode their bikes to school or rode the school bus, instead of turning their moms into a 24-hour taxi service. They had one electrical outlet in a room, not an entire bank of sockets to power a dozen appliances. And they didn't need a computerized gadget to receive a signal beamed from satellites 2,000 miles out in space in order to find the nearest pizza joint.

But that old lady is right. They didn't have the green thing back in her day.

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Texoma Enterprise is owned and operated by Dale and Lana Rideout. They have been doing this since 1978. The picture on the left is about 5 years old, with Dale shown as "Santa" Rideout at Christmas, 2009. The family shot on the right includes all our grandchildren, plus a couple of Step-grandchildren. It was taken at Elves Christmas Tree Farm. This farm opened to the public in 1990 when Jordan was only 2 months old and he went there with us. Every year since we have taken every grandchild with us. This year was our 20 year to take all our grandchildren to the farm.



Dale & Lana Rideout



"Santa", Amber, Dominique, Timothy, Jordan, Rachel, Caleb, Chris, Cassie, Brianna, Lana

These Grandkids always have fun at the Christmas Tree Farm, and they really can sing - but my may not know it from this little video from 2009.



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