



The following individuals are proudly serving the United States of America in the Armed Forces. The Chandler and Brownsboro area communities are proud of you! For those who are serving overseas, we await your safe return.

If you know of someone in the military, whose primary residence is in the BISD, please let us know so we can recognize them.

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- Ben Bevans
- Justin Brown
- Michael Wayne Bullard
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- Jonathan Cannon
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- Robert (Mikey) Clary
- Aaron Clover
- Casie L. Coplan
- Danny Cowart
- Jeff Crosby
- Andy Dalton
- Philip Daniel
- Johnathan Daniels
- Jessica Delaney
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- Mike Dunklin
- Brandon Edwards
- Scott Evans
- Joshua Fowler
- Gregory Geske
- Michael Gideon
- Greg Giger
- Donnie Goines
- Nicholas Gould
- Josh Grant
- Joseph Paden Guerra
- Edmond Hargrave
- Jayandra Hare
- John (Duce) Harber III
- James Michael Hendrix
- Cedric Herring
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- Nathan D. Huff
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- Scott Joiner
- Eric Jones
- Bobby Jordan
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- Jesse Kidd
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- Sam Laymance
- Robert Leed
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- Evan Lide
- Christy Loper
- Sean Lynch
- Raul Macias
- Dusty Mayer
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- Tim McMurtray
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- Chris Munch
- Beau Nation
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- Patrick Ormiston
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- Joseph Pearson
- Joshua Phillips
- Jordan Phillips
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- Angus Smith
- Cory Smith
- Luke Smith
- Michael Spencer
- Jared Staggs
- Christopher Stanton
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- Timothy Taylor
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- Jerry Tucker
- Chad Vickers
- Clay Wade
- Tim Wagner
- Christopher Wagoner
- Joe Wangler
- James Weaver
- Jacob Welch
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- Marc Westbrooks
- Josh Wheeler
- Jamie Willard
- Lelia Williams
- Timothy Williams
- Teresa Wilson

To add a name to this list, or have a name taken off please call or email: 903-852-7641



By Archie P. McDonald

Gussie Nell Davis

Football season in East Texas - or any part of Texas - brings communities together, and one reason is that the "players" no longer involves just the football team. It is also the principal season for cheerleaders, and, because of Gussie Nell Davis of Kilgore College, for more than half a century it is the season for drill teams.

Davis was born on November 4, 1906, in Farmersville, Texas. She attended public schools there and was graduated from the College of Industrial Arts (now Texas Woman's University) in 1923 with a degree in physical education, and a master's degree from the University of Southern California in 1938. Davis began teaching women's physical education classes at Greenville High School in 1928. She founded the Flaming Flashes, the first dance-drill team in the nation. Other schools previously featured female drum-and-bugle corps marching groups, but Davis introduced precision dance routines.

President B.E. Masters of Kilgore College, Kilgore Texas, asked Davis to "find a way to keep people in their seats at halftime" during football games. Davis then organized the Kilgore Rangerettes, a drill/dance team similar to Greenville's Flaming Flashes.

Davis was a born leader who knew how to draw on the talents of others to succeed. For example, Denard Hayden, who operated a dance studio and school in Nacogdoches, became Davis' choreographer and Hazel Stewart the group's accompanist. Assistants Peggy Coghlan, Barbara Harmon, and Deana Bolton, and sponsor L.N. Crim,

were each crucial to the Rangerettes' success.

The Rangerettes performed for the first time in 1940 and Davis remained their director until her retirement in 1979, and their godmother until her death in 1993.

Dressed in Western style hats and red, white and blue costumes two inches above the knee - still a bit daring in 1940 - the Rangerettes became a hit and then an institution.

They continued to appear at Kilgore College's football games at halftime and also games of other, larger universities, international conventions of Lions and Rotary clubs, and especially in parades and college bowl games.

The Rangerettes have appeared on the cover of many major magazines, including *Life Magazine* and even the *Paris Match*. Soon other colleges and high schools established drill teams, and participation by co-eds at those institutions became a real prize.

Davis' group received some criticism from women's rights activists for, they alleged, she emphasized physical beauty in selecting recruits, which resulted in a lineup of "Barbie dolls." Davis believed that the discipline and devotion required of a Rangerette built confidence and poise in her young women that prepared them for challenges of life beyond college.

Gussie Nell Davis died in Kilgore on December 21, 1993, and was buried in Farmersville.

(The East Texas Historical Association provides this column as a public service. Archie P. McDonald is director of the Association and author of more than 20 books on Texas.)

2008 Pow Wow Parade

"Education Excellence by BISD Teachers and Administrators" is parade theme!

The 2008 Pow Wow Parade and Festival will be held on October 11, 2008. The annual Parade is one of the highlights of the Chandler community and we expect this year to be one of the best. The Chandler Lions Club will kick off the festivities with the annual parade line-up beginning at 8:30 AM and the parade beginning at 10:00 AM. At Winchester Park the Chandler/Brownsboro Area

Chamber of Commerce will offer a full day of family fun. The Chandler Lions Club wishes to recognize the contribution of our teachers and administrators in preparing our youth for the future. Therefore, we have selected "Education Excellence by BISD Teachers and Administrators" as the parade theme, with BISD Superintendent Mr. Elton Caldwell selected as the parade's Grand Marshal.

available at the reception desk at Chandler City Hall. We request forms be received no later than Oct. 10.

Float themes can identify any phase of education from early childhood through adult. Past entries have included floats, marching or walking units, cars, trucks, motorcycles, 4-wheelers, equestrian, clowns, dance and music groups, and costumed individuals. The only limitation is your imagination and your ability to travel about one mile from the starting point to Winchester Park.

Questions about the 2008 Pow Wow Parade? Contact either of the parade directors: Tom Martin at 903-849-7154, or George DeMore at 903-849-4919.

Beware of the '72' phone scam

Be on the lookout for phone calls saying a loved one has been injured in an accident.

Henderson County residents are receiving these calls, and the Henderson County Sheriff's Department has called for caution.

A spokesman from the sheriff's department stated the scam victim is called by an "authority" who claimed a family member was injured in a traffic accident. The message is then to obtain more information by contacting the Department of Public Safety trooper investigating the accident, but the number provided has an asterisk and the numbers "72" before the 10 digit number.

When people dial "*72" they forward their number to the number dialed afterward.

When the phone number is forwarded, the "scammer" can accept long distance collect calls and prompt high phone bills for the victim.

This forwarding mode is canceled by dialing "73#" from the telephone that dialed "*72".

The department spokesman added people should watch for anyone who tells them to call another number for accident information or to call someone for them and use the 72 as an extension to a number.

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Is the son you used to know fading away?

ETMC's Behavioral Health Center can help bring him back.

It's like he's become another person. The teenage son who used to fill your house with laughter hasn't smiled in months. He's withdrawn from his family, his friends, and his schoolwork. He's angry all the time, and you suspect he's also involved with drugs and alcohol.

If you're seeing these signs in your 13- to 18-year-old teenager, help is available. ETMC's Behavioral Health Center has a separate unit for adolescents staffed by psychiatrists and professionals trained in the treatment of depression, bipolar disorders, severe anxiety states, general psychiatric disorders, chemical dependency, and many other behavioral problems in children and adolescents.

The ETMC Behavioral Health Center offers a large array of treatment plans including family-centered therapy, inpatient or outpatient care, group therapy, parenting education, discharge planning and full follow-up care. Children ages 4 to 12 are also treated.

If the happy teenager you used to know is fading away before your eyes, help is just a phone call away.

If you have questions, call our information line at 903-266-2200. For a free assessment, call our confidential 24-hour help line at 1-800-566-0088.

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