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Down Home

"The Big R"

By VANDA ANDERSON
CREECH
Editor

So many times I feel driven to write on a certain subject and the idea will not leave me until I tackle it. This is one of those. Just keep in mind these are only my personal opinions. My objective is to share some information which I truly learned the hard way.

What I am referring to as the "Big R" is RESPECT! I don't claim to be an authority on child rearing, but I do have years of experience, having three grown children. Believe me, I have made every mistake possible.

The word respect was one my son dreaded hearing when he was younger. Family counseling impressed upon me its importance.

It was difficult for me to grasp the idea that you didn't have to do everything to please your offspring in order for them to love you. My Aunt Joe Watson's saying is, "You can love them (your children), but you don't have to like them." This is not meant to be harsh, but realistic. It isn't necessary to be your child's friend -- you are the parent. You can maintain a good relationship without being their best buddy.

You see many two to four-year-olds who make all the decisions instead of their parents. One thing I learned was the child is not mature enough to make decisions and letting them do so is a big burden on them. Get the roles straight -- you are the adult and they are the child. If you are afraid of them, they will know it and take advantage.

Don't wait too late to get the respect idea across, as you will find it next to impossible to change later. Your child will love you more if you demand their respect and they will also demonstrate respect for rules, laws and other people's rights.

Set boundaries! The child should not have a free rein of your home. Your furniture, etc. should not be their personal playground. If you can accomplish this, you will be surprised how much easier life will be for them and you.

You don't want people to hate to see you and your children come for a visit. Once I had a friend who would call and say, "Put up all your pretty things, we are coming over." That is not fair to the child. How will they ever learn to respect other's property if they are not taught?

You see youth who do not respect their elders and that is so sad. The seniors are a wealth of wisdom and they certainly deserve to be honored. Encourage your children to speak to these treasured individuals and listen to what they have to say. You will never regret it. When an older person tells you they talked to your child and notes what a nice kid they are, you will be proud!

Cross Plains
Junior High &
High School
Awards Ceremony
Wed., May 5
10:00 a.m.
New Gymnasium
Everyone Welcome!



REGIONAL TRACK
QUALIFIER — Nicholas Dimitri

Dimitri Takes 2nd Place In Area

By COACH LARRY BARTEE

Nicholas Dimitri won 2nd place at the Area Track Meet in the 800 meter run with a time 2:09. He was the only Cross Plains High School boy who qualified.

He advanced to the Regional Track Meet which will be held in Abilene in two weeks.

Nicholas is a sophomore and the son of Rusty and Dana Dimitri.

Revival Set For April 21-25 At Believer's Fellowship

Revival services will be held Wednesday through Sunday, April 21 through 25 at Believer's Fellowship beginning at 7:00 p.m. nightly. Bro. Hadley Stuart, a dynamic evangelist from Hondo, will be speaking. Bluegrass gospel music by The Crossies will be part of the program on Friday and Saturday evening.

Bro. Bob Wallace, pastor of Believer's Fellowship, says invite your neighbors and kinfolk and have a good time in worship, praise and fellowship in Christ Jesus.

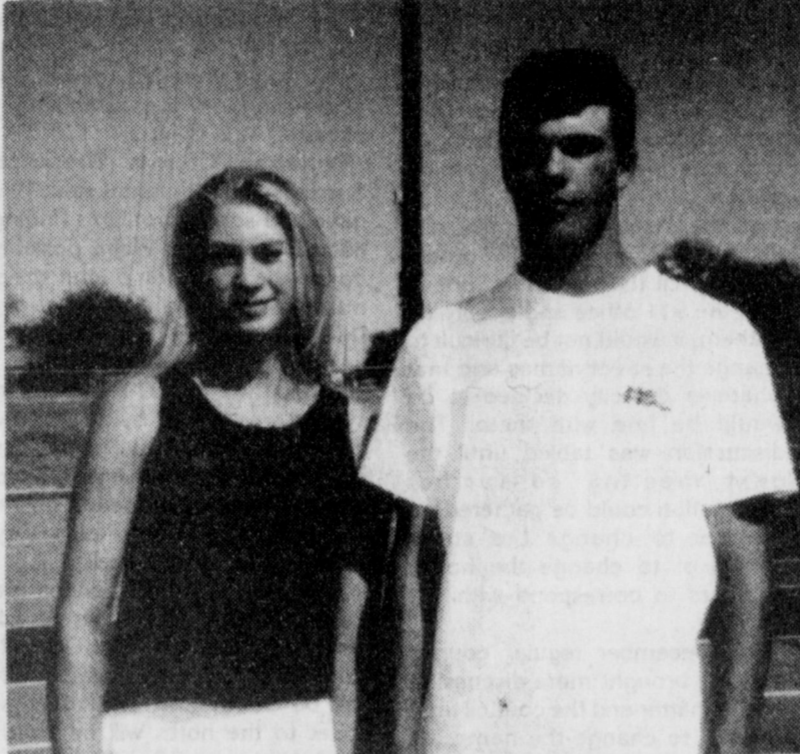
Believer's Fellowship is located approximately 3/4 mile east on Hwy. 36.

Early Voting
School Board Election
April 14-27
City Hall
Mon.-Fri.
Regular Office Hours



Hand Quilted Queen Size Wolf Quilt Displayed At Citizens State Bank

This year the Cross Plains Volunteer Fire Department has a "Queen Size Wolf Quilt" that they will have a drawing for on the night of the Annual Fish Fry, Friday, May 14, 1999, at the Cross Plains Commu-



TENNIS REGIONAL QUALIFIERS — Mindy Mitchell and Coby Richards

Regional Qualifier Tennis Meet Results Told

By COACH MACK
MCCONAL

Three Cross Plains tennis players were in Brownwood Saturday, April 17, for a Regional Qualifier Meet.

Boys Singles
Joseph Hopkins beat Lohn (4-6) (6-2) (6-3); lost to Jim Ned - 2nd round

Coby Richards - beat Priddy (6-0) (6-1); lost to Brock (2-6) (4-6)

Mindy Mitchell - beat Priddy (6-1) (6-0); beat Jim Ned (6-4) (2-6) (6-2); Finals beat Hico (6-2) (6-2) won 1st place.

In the finals Mindy beat Crystal Mayfield, which was the first time she had defeated her in 4 years of competition.

Mindy and Coby will be working toward Regional Tennis to be played in Abilene.



AREA RUNNERS-UP IN TRACK — Shena Thomas (front, from left), Brandi Richey and Meghann Lewis; Whitney Giles (back, from left), Laura Ricci, Amber Wilson and Candice Francy. Jodi Payne and Brittany Bennett were unavailable for the photo.

Lady Buffs Area UIL Runners-up

By COACH MIKE
CAVENDER

The Lady Buffs competed in the first ever Area track meet at Abilene on Friday, April 17. The Area meet consisted of Districts 9 and 10 with 20 schools competing to win the title and advance to Regional in two weeks. The Lady Buffs finished second to Miles in the team standings 95 to 103.

Team Score - 95
800 run - Brittany Bennett - 2:52 - 8th
See TRACK page 5

Annual BFI Spring Cleanup Sat., May 8

By BILLY HARRIS
Special Writer

The Annual BFI Spring Cleanup for the City of Cross Plains is scheduled for Saturday, May 8th.

BFI will not pick up anything considered to be hazardous waste, tires, batteries, concrete, steel or appliances containing refrigerant that has not been professionally removed.

Residents need to have disposable items at curbside prior to BFI's run on May 8th.

Third Defendant In School Arson Case Sentenced

By BILLY HARRIS
Special Writer

The final defendant in an arson case involving the Cross Plains High School fire on December 7, 1997, was sentenced here last week.

Twenty-year old Cross Plains High School graduate Cory Lee Switzer pled no contest to charges of arson in the 42nd District Court of John Weeks.

The court heard testimony from several witnesses including the Cross Plains Superintendent Jackie Tennison, Cross Plains Police Chief Don Gosnell, Cross Plains City Judge Bob Hill and Cory's mother, Sylvia Switzer, all requested the court to assess the young man a probated sentence without any incarceration.

Callahan County Attorney Allen Wright said, "I felt very strongly that he (Switzer) needed to do time in the TDC (Texas Department of Corrections) and earn his probation."

Switzer was sentenced to 8 years in the Texas Department of Criminal Justice by the court. "He will attend a 'Boot Camp' facility for 75-90 days," said Wright, "and then will re-appear before the court."

"If he completes the boot camp the rest of his sentence could be suspended," Wright said, "he could also be placed on probation and have

to pay some restitution."

Switzer was accused of arson in the 1997 fire, along with two Cross Plains juveniles who were sentenced to time in a Texas Youth Commission Maximum Security Facility in March of last year. Cory was accused of helping furnish fuel for the fire, but did not enter the buildings where the fires were set.

Two adults were charged with making alcohol available to minors in connection with a party 7 miles north of Cross Plains that preceded the burning of the Cross Plains School. J.J. Higgins and Deidre Switzer were charged in an Eastland County Court on the alcohol charges, as the party took place in southern Eastland County.

Deidre was given a probated sentence and Higgins had his probation revoked due to the alcohol charges and was sentenced to 4 years in TDC on previous charges.

The alcohol charges were filed by the Texas Alcoholic Beverage Commission whose investigation was spurred by the arson fire in Cross Plains. An estimated 50 Cross Plains youths attended the party said officials.

Cory Lee Switzer's case was the last one connected to the fire which resulted in approximately \$1 million in damage, and required aid from Rising Star, Baird and Brownwood to assist the local fire department extinguish the flames.

Luncheon Features Texas Forts Trail

Community volunteers and elected officials are invited to a networking event Wednesday, April 28th, in Cross Plains, 11:30 to 1:30 at Jean's Feed Barn on Highway 36 West.

Texas Midwest Community Network (TMCN) is sponsoring a series of network luncheons this spring. The Cross Plains luncheon is the third in the series. Topic for the luncheon is the "Texas Forts Trail" project. A member of the recently appointed board of directors for the Texas Forts Trail regional organization will provide up to date information.

Chamber of Commerce, Economic Development, city officials,

county officials and community volunteers are invited to attend. A spokesman from each community in attendance will give an update on developments and upcoming events in their town. Cost for the luncheon is \$8. Reservations can be made by calling 254-725-6397.

Network luncheons are designed to bring civic leaders from neighboring communities together for information and sharing ideas. Throckmorton hosted the first spring luncheon on April 13th. The second luncheon was held in Colorado City on April 19th. For information call the TMCN Office 915-893-2099.

Pet Vaccination Clinic Set For Saturday At Local Fire Station

Dr. Virgil Patrick of Cisco will conduct a pet vaccination clinic at the Cross Plains Volunteer Fire Department on Saturday, April 24, from 2 to 4 p.m.

Vaccinations for all pet diseases will be given.

Dr. Patrick will contribute \$1.00 per animal to the local fire department. Bring your pet by Saturday for their shots.

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Kendrick Cemetery Assoc. Workday May 1

The Kendrick Cemetery Association of Denton Valley will have their annual work day, business meeting and pot luck lunch Saturday, May 1st.

Every member or anyone wishing to become a member of the association needs to attend and participate in this meeting.

Four Board of Trustees will be elected to serve two years.

Your presence and input is very important. So bring your mowers, rakes or just come and enjoy the fellowship.

If you would like to make a donation or send a memorial gift to the Kendrick Cemetery Association. Please mail to Peoples State Bank, A.T.T. Kendrick Cemetery Assoc., P.O. Box 459, Clyde, Texas 79510.

Submitted by Maxine Leggett

Promise Helpers Women's Ministry Luncheon And Prayer Conference

Promise Helpers invites you to attend this conference designed to train and equip women to effectively pray for and minister to others. Speakers will be Dr. Virginia C. Armstrong of Texas Eagle Forum, Linda Phillips of Humiston of Decatur, Illinois, Barbara Hallmark and Peggy Knowles of Abilene.

Clyde, Texas is where Promise Helpers began. Founded by Glenda Garrison of Clyde, Promise Helpers has other chapters in Merkel and Weatherford, Tx.

This is an opportunity to learn more about Promise Helpers Women's Ministry and how to begin a chapter in your area. Promise Helpers is a non-profit Christian ministry for women that seeks to help women experience the fullness of God's purpose and promises for them. The central activity of Promise Helpers is women ministering to women—declaring God's promises and prayer. Promise Helpers feels the urgency to inform women of the need to pray for our nation, marriages and children. As a result, Promise Helpers has planned this Prayer Conference and Workshop to teach us how to pray.

The conference and luncheon will be held at the Embassy Suites Hotel, Abilene, Texas, Saturday, May 1, 1999. Registration is at 8:30, cost is \$15.00. Early registration is \$20.00, after April 23, 1999 and includes lunch. For more information call 915-893-3694 or 1-888-846-3750 (toll free).

Submitted by Promise Helpers

City Hall Explains New Street Signs

BY BILLY HARRIS
Special Writer

At the October regular meeting of the Cross Plains City Council a lengthy discussion was held concerning the need for installing new street signs in the city. The placement of signs at each intersection for 4th and Main Streets was considered. During the discussion it was noted that the current 911 maps, for the City of Cross Plains, were incorrect which was a cause for confusion. The council investigated correcting the maps before buying and installing the new street signs. The council instructed City Secretary, Debbie Gosnell, to contact the 911 office in Abilene to see what the effects would be if the city changed the names of the streets to correspond with the new 911 addressing system.

At the November regular city council meeting Gosnell informed the council that she had spoken with the 911 office and according to them, it would not be difficult to change the street names and that whatever the city decided to do would be fine with them. The discussion was tabled until the next meeting so further information could be gathered on whether to change the street names or to change the house numbers to correspond with the signs.

The December regular council meeting brought more discussion on the matter and the council then decided to change the names of the streets, that run east and west, from 1 through 16 to correspond with the 911 addressing system.

Since the December meeting the city has been working on getting the names changed, signs ordered and other details that would need to be worked out for the transition.

At the regular April meeting of the city council a concerned citizen met with the council and expressed her interest concerning the changing of the street names. The citizen stated that no one she had spoken to was in favor of the name change and most weren't aware that the change was taking place.

The council felt it appropriate to address the issue in an article to inform the citizens of Cross Plains of what they (the council) were trying to accomplish with their decision.

The council had three options in this matter:

1. Do nothing and leave the addresses as they are, which would leave incorrect maps and street numbers causing confusion in finding addresses.

2. Change the street numbers 1 through 16 to correspond with the current house numbers and addressing system.

3. Change all the numbers in town, and leave the street names as they are.

It was the feelings of the council that the most economical and logical solution was to change the street names and be done with the matter. This would inconvenience the least number of people and therefore, the council thought this was the best solution for the problem.

Cross Plains Postmaster Sammy Bien said, "We will work with the city in any way possible to make a smooth transition to the 911 addressing system." The local post office still uses the 1 through 16 street numbering system in the city.

"We have changed to the 911 addressing on the rural routes already," said Bien.

Callahan County Dispatch Supervisor Linda Dennis said, "We have had some problems finding addresses in Cross Plains possibly due to the confusion on the street numbering." Callahan County Dispatch handles the local 911 calls.

"When the city's 911 addressing system was set up, by an Abilene company, they divided Cross Plains at 8th Street and started north and south numbering on the streets," said Cross Plains City Secretary Debbie Gosnell.

"The way all the 911 maps are drawn up, the old 8th Street will become 1st Street," said Gosnell, "then the first street to the south will be South 2nd and the first street to the north will be North 1st." Highway 36 will become South 5th Street instead of 4th Street.

The streets will then be numbered progressively to the edges of town. Address numbers on homes will not change, just the street numbers on the streets that run east and west.

The council always welcomes any comments from citizens either at the council meetings or just a phone call to the City Hall. However, when discussions such as these are being addressed by the council, please let your feeling be known before action is taken by the governing body so that inconveniences can be avoided.

The members of the Cross Plains City Council know that not everyone will agree with this decision. The matter was decided on what the council thought would be the best solution for the city as a whole with the information that was on hand at the time.

If there are any further questions on this matter, please do not hesitate to contact the Cross Plains City Hall, any of the councilmen, or the Mayor of the city.

COURTHOUSE NEWS

COUNTY COURT Roger Corn Presiding

Misdemeanor Minutes

Jody Lee Hare, assault, \$214.25 court costs, 30 days in jail.

Dennis Miller, motion dismissed to revoke probation.

Billy Dewayne Smith, probation revoked; sentenced to 30 days in jail.

MARRIAGE LICENSES

Diana Elise Hall & Jerry Don Jonas of Clyde.

Kimberly Jene Edmondson, Baird, & Michael Don Williams, Clyde.

Jayne Louise Broadus & Lanny Scott Brown of Clyde.

Doris Marie Allen & Elvis Leroy Skipper of Clyde.

Vanessa Lynn Abels & William Edward Martin of Stephenville.

42nd DISTRICT COURT John Weeks presiding

Civil Minutes

Providian National Bank vs Neil H. Ferguson, case dismissed without prejudice.

M&D Interests vs City of Clyde, Texas, case dismissed with prejudice.

Felony Minutes

Lance L. Davis, possession of a controlled substance, \$2000 fine \$224.25 court costs, 5 years probation.

Charlie Junior Baugh, indecency with a child, \$1500 fine \$199.25 court costs, 5 years probation.

Sharla Williams, probation revoked; sentenced to 120 days in jail.


Cynthia Ann Holden, possession of a controlled substance, \$2500 fine \$219.25 court costs, \$140 restitution, 5 years probation.

Robert Eugene Lee, probation revoked; sentenced to 6 years at TDC.

Dawn Michelle Rogers, tampering with a governmental record, \$1200 fine \$199.25 court costs, \$140 restitution, 5 years probation.

Kimbra Middleston Abbott, possession of a controlled substance, \$1200 fine \$199.25 court costs, \$140 restitution, 3 years probation.

Virgil L. Strickland, Jr., motion dismissed to revoke probation.



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For Ruby McCowen - Jack and Kathryn Tunnell

Young Adult:
Wuthering Heights - Bronte

Jane Eyre - Bronte

Red Badge of Courage - Cranc

The Innocents Abroad - Twain

We also have Sevensen, magazine for young adults.

COLONIAL OAKS SERVICES

Pioneer Baptist Church will conduct worship services at Colonial Oaks Nursing Home on Sunday, April 25, commencing at 3:30 p.m.

Directors of Putnam Cemetery Assoc. To Meet Tues., May 4

There will be a regular meeting of the Directors of the Putnam Cemetery Association, Inc. on Tuesday, May 4, at 6 p.m. at the Putnam Community Center for the purpose of electing one director whose term has expired and to transact any other business that may come before the meeting.

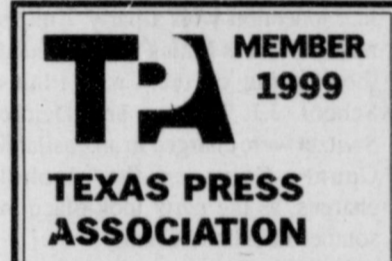
Anyone who would like to make a contribution to the Putnam Cemetery Association may send to La Verne Rutherford, Putnam, Texas 76469. Pete Mendez, President, other officers and directors express their deep appreciations for the generous memorial gifts and contributions made in the past to the Endowment and maintenance funds. This pays for the upkeep of the cemetery and other expenses that may occur.

Submitted by La Verne Rutherford

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Selected Scriptures

Let, I pray, your merciful kindness be for my comfort, according to your word to your servant. Psalms 119:76

...It is not of him who wills nor of him who runs, but of God who shows mercy. Romans 9:16

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Sunday Mass:

8:30 a.m. Holy Rosary F St. at 12th Cisco, Texas
10:00 a.m. St. Rita (Rectory) 1109 Blackwell Rd. Ranger, Texas
10:00 a.m. * St. Francis (Spanish) 806 S. Halbyan Eastland, Texas
11:30 a.m. St. John Hickory Street Strawn, Texas

Pastor: Fr. Vincent B. Inametti (254) 647-3167
* Deacon Jesus Ruiz (254) 653-2536

Cross Timbers Southern Baptist Assoc. Spring Training For Sunday School Workers Saturday, April 24

All area churches are invited to attend a Conference for Sunday School Workers April 24, 9 a.m. to noon at the Carbon Community Baptist Mission.

There will be workshops for pastors and general officers; teachers

and leaders of preschool; children; youth; and adults.

Workshop leaders are from Southwestern Theological Seminary in Fort Worth.

For more information call Dwaine Clower at 254-725-7574.

County Volunteer Honored by State Legislators Recently

A Resolution honoring Mrs. Betty Hardwick of Baird was read on the floor of the House of Representatives and again in the Senate Chamber on April 22 in Austin. The Resolution was written by State Representative Bob Hunter to recognize Mrs. Hardwick for years of work on behalf of Texas with mental disabilities.

Mrs. Hardwick has been a member of the board of trustees of the Abilene Regional MHMR Center since 1982, has served on the Board of Directors of the Texas Council of Community MHMR Centers since 1985 and the National Community Mental Healthcare Board of Directors since 1996.

The Resolution recognizes Mrs. Hardwick's exemplary civic dedication, remarkable accomplishments, and her tireless and dynamic advocacy for individuals with mental disabilities. She was instrumental in getting legislation passed that improved treatment and daily living

conditions for all Texans with mental retardation living in Intermediate Care Facilities. Mrs. Hardwick led the effort that established a self-insurance risk pool for Texas community MHMR centers, which has saved hundreds of thousands of dollars in operational costs and allowed these savings to be redirected to consumer services. She helped establish a statewide retirement program for employees of MHMR centers, and she led the initiative to get legislation passed that established a bond program to enable community MHMR centers to finance capital improvements.

Other honors include: 1974 - Outstanding Young Women in America; 1989 Governor's Public Service award; 1992 Frank M. Adams award for outstanding volunteer service; 1994 - Mary E. Butt award for outstanding service by a board member in the Texas MHMR system; 1995 - Leadership for establishing the Texas Council Risk Management Fund.

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Sunday School - 9:30 a.m.
Worship - 10:45 a.m.
Dr. Richard Chaffin, Pastor

Sunday Sermon
"Stand Up Straight"

NEWS

By
LINDA MERRITT
Activity Director

This week we are recognizing all our volunteers. To all the fine folks who take time to help brighten the day of our residents by playing their instruments, singing, donations or just coming by to visit, we would like for you to know we greatly appreciate you. We would like to thank you for your dedication, skill and enthusiasm it means a great deal to all of us. We are truly grateful for the extra special touch you give. "VOLUNTEERS BRIGHTEN LIVES."

Minnie Swann was our winner for a free meal from Jack's Place. Thanks Wanda and Jack.

Appreciation to Merilyn Golson for the delicious pound cakes and to Frances McAnally for the clothes.

Shirley Smith from Pioneer visited with Falba Shofner.

Joe Coppinger visited with Jo Boatright, Mildred Newton and Louise Richardson.

Jean and Raymond McCoy from Brownwood and Joyce and Wimpy McCoy visited with Hazel McCoy.

Joe and Kathy Nelson from Rising Star and Hazel Lee from Pioneer

visited with Pauline Region and Ralph Lee.

Activities during the week were:

Monday: Bingo winners were Louise Richardson, Maxine Crisp (2), Howet Wilson (2), Alpha Wilson, Victor Long, Ruby Harrell and Vera Belyeu (2). Exercise and Skip-Bo games.

Tuesday: Art class. Sing-a-long with Bob Wallace. Popcorn social.

Wednesday: Bingo winners were Vera Belyeu (3), Hazel McCoy, Howet Wilson, Ruby Harrell (2) and Maxine Crisp. Exercise and dominoes.

Thursday: Bingo winners were Minnie Swann (2), Alpha Wilson (2), Vera Belyeu (2), Howet Wilson (2). Ball toss and Skip-Bo games.

Friday: Singing with Bob Wallace. Sit-down-basketball and dominoes.

Sunday: Pioneer Baptist Church. For anything worth having, one must pay the price and the price is always work, patience, love, self-sacrifice -- no paper currency, no promises to pay, but the gold of real service.

Clips, Quips & Comments

By KAY DENNIS MOSLEY

"PREVENTION -- A KEY TO SAFETY"

In talking by telephone with my son in Austin, he mentioned to me a news story concerning a death resulting from an accident on a fair or carnival ride there. Subsequently several people were being charged with negligence in the death. Seems the ride wasn't inspected and maintained properly.

What brought this to my mind tonight?.. On the news report which I viewed tonight on an Abilene channel, they told of another accident at an amusement park in the Dallas area. A lady lost her life in this accident. Could this have been prevented? Accidents happen, no

matter how carefully we strive to prevent them.

There are all those admonitions; SAFETY FIRST...IT'S BETTER TO BE SAFE THAN SORRY...AN OUNCE OF PREVENTION IS WORTH A POUND OF CURE...ETC., ETC., ETC...

No, I don't have a solution, I wish wholeheartedly that I did.

I only have more admonitions. WATCH OUT! Not only for yourself, your family, loved ones and friends, BUT for the other fellow also. You might save a life, it might be your own or it might be the other fellows life!

Be careful, you'll be glad you did! Keep striving to prevent accidents.

COTTONWOOD NEWS

By
BEVERLY BROWN

The Cottonwood Quilting Club has adopted a portion of highway on FM 880 running south and north of the community. The Adopt-A-Highway signs were placed the day before the Texas Trash-off. The ladies did a great job and appreciate their volunteer helpers. The cleanup along the Cottonwood stretch of highway must be done 4 times a year. We will keep you posted of their next pick up day this summer. Let's get together and make it an all out Cottonwood Community project helping one another.

Your help is needed on Saturday, April 24 at the Cottonwood Community Center during the annual clean up work day starting around 8:30 a.m. The clean up involves the once a year major cleaning of the building. Bring extrarags and elbow grease. Bring a sack lunch. If you can volunteer an hour of your time to help it would be appreciated. There is always something to do. The community center is used for many functions, i.e. family reunions, community meetings, baby and bridal showers, the monthly Cottonwood Musicals and the annual Cottonwood Historical Association

Meeting. Everyone is needed, if you are new in the community and haven't had a chance to meet your neighbors or folks of the community please stop by and see us.

The Cottonwood Historical Association annual meeting will be Saturday, May 1 starting at 10 a.m. The noon meal will follow the business meeting. The association is furnishing barbecue beef and sausage meat. Please bring covered dishes of food to go with the meat or your favorite dish of food. If you have memorabilia of pictures or anything of Cottonwood's past history to share with the group, please feel free to bring them. We are looking forward to seeing everyone this year. We do hope you will plan to attend. All new residents are cordially invited.

Mrs. Clara McInnis recently returned home from visiting with her daughter, Virginia and Kenneth Durst in Mason during the Easter holiday weekend and the following week with her granddaughter and family, Kacy and Steve Zaleski and Tristan in New Braunfels and Steve's mother from Corpus Christi.

PIONEER NEWS

By PIONEER QUILTING CLUB

Earlene Burge's company this week were her sister Betty Greenman and her two friends from California who were visiting her. Jon Ochoa from Brownwood came one afternoon, and granddaughter Cindy Ochoa spent the day and had a nice visit on Saturday.

We had a wonderful game night last Thursday. There were twelve attending and we had a very good supper. Next get together will be April 22. Come on out!! The daylight is later and the scenery is so-o-o pretty. Enjoy it as you come out for fun and food.

Oliver, Frankie and Jean Fore attended the Coleman musical Friday night. Saturday night Oliver and Frankie attended the revival at Cross Plains. They enjoyed the singers from Fort Worth. They also attended and enjoyed the Calvary Singers at Pioneer Baptist which

was holding a revival.

The quilting club had our usual "cat out" at Jack's Place. The food was great and the company outstanding. They treated us with dessert. Thanks to Jack and Wanda for making it so nice for us.

We did get Frankie's "Nine Patch" out. It is beautiful. Jean Fore pieced it for her. It's another one that should be in a fair some place. We put in Trisha's "Rail Fence". The blue's and browns are so-o-o pretty. We are working on Jean Alexander's quilt and should start on Cody Hounshell's soon.

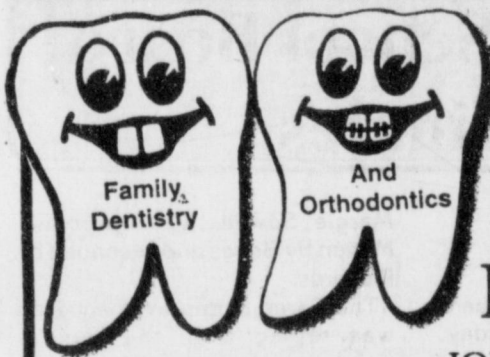
Words of Wisdom #73: As sure as God ever puts His children in the furnace, He will be in the furnace with them. Charles H. Spurgeon

Farmer's Almanac: April - Best hunting days 15th to 21st.

Best fishing days 1st to 4th, 9th to 12th, 20th, 21st, 29th, 30th

Town Meeting Mon., May 10

A town meeting will be held Monday, May 10, 1999, to update the Cross Plains community on the progress that has been made in the past year on the goals set in March 1998. This meeting will be held at 7 p.m. at the Cross Plains Community Center. Please place this important meeting on your calendar now and plan to attend.



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BREAKTHRU

By Bob Pipes, preacher
Cross Plains Church of Christ
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A missionary to Africa had not been there long when he dreamed of his first snake encounter. Making his way through the dense jungle, he was stopped dead in his tracks by an enormous python. Hanging from the tree, head high, the serpent was only inches from the missionary's nose. Staring the serpent square in the eye, he slowly and cautiously raised a clenched fist and clobbered the python right on the head. Hearing a loud moan, the missionary awoke from his dream to realize he'd just punched his sleeping wife in the back of her head. Was she ever mad!

We must be careful not to do that -- in a dream or while wide awake! Unfortunately, that dream is played out in real life all too often. Intending to "hit the serpent," instead we wound the ones closest to us. Satan is the one we need to punch -- not each other! Sometimes in the process of putting down sin, for instance, we get mixed up on who is the enemy and who is the victim -- and attack the victim (sinner) rather than the enemy (Satan). And sometimes we lash out at our mate or other loved ones when we're tired or upset, when the culprit is really fatigue or stress due to our own attempt to "burn the candle from both ends."

Love and common sense would prevent us from slugging our mate in the back of the head when we are conscious. Love and common sense should also keep us from attacking one another (victims) when we're really upset about sin and at Satan -- if we are spiritually conscious. Come join us in our fight against sin and Satan -- and in fighting for one another...

Sunday Morning Bible Class ... 9:45 a.m. Sunday Evening Worship 6:00 p.m.
Sunday Morning Worship 10:45 a.m. Wed. Evening Bible Study 7:00 p.m.

Friends & Neighbors Caring In Jesus

The Way It Was

By CLARA NELL SPENCER

Just Us

ROSALEA

Rosalea Cutbirth was born at the McWhorter Ranch in the western part of Callahan County on May 25, 1918, to Fred and Ada McWhorter Cutbirth. The joy of their lives, she was an adorable baby. The qualities that made her adorable have remained with her throughout her life. She has been generous, unselfish, sweet, and kind.

She started to school at six at Victoria, a country school near her ranch home. Her teacher was Gladys McDermott, a personal friend of the family. Her teacher said she drew outstanding maps in the first grade.

Her parents built a lovely home in Cross Plains where they lived until Rosalea married. Rosalea was cheer leader, active in sports, and very good in drama. She didn't worry too much about grades, but was perfectly capable of being an A student.

She was very cute and popular. The boys lined up to date her. After graduating from high school in 1935, she enrolled at ACC, but went only one semester due to her father's illness. The following fall, she entered McMurry, where she was to go until she married.

She met J.L. Bonner from Anson. He was known as Pokey. He was smart, handsome, and lots of fun. They married January 7, 1935 at the

Cutbirth Home in Cross Plains. Wilson Johnson was best man and Clara Nell McDermott was maid of honor. Betsy McAdams played the wedding march. They moved to Anson and lived three years. Jane was born March 8, 1940. They built a home at the Cutbirth Ranch. Jean was born August 31, 1942. They were so dear to all the grandparents. Rosalea and Pokey were a wonderful couple who had a good life.

Life goes on.

There is no friend like the old friend who has shared our morning days.

--Oliver Wendell Holmes
Rosalea has been that to all of "Just Us."

GEORGIA

Georgia Gwathmey was a native of Brownwood and the youngest of seven children. Her mother died soon after her birth. She came to Cross Plains to live with her sisters who were teachers in the Cross Plains School System. Enid, the older, was an excellent high school English teacher, and Jimmie Lou was a second grade teacher. Having grown up with older sisters, she knew how to play bridge. She was an asset to "Just Us."

After graduation from Cross Plains High School in 1934, Georgia attended JTAC for one year. She moved to California and the Club lost track of her.

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SENIOR CITIZEN'S MENU

APRIL 26 - APRIL 30

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TUESDAY—Chicken & dumplings, green beans, tossed salad, strawberry shortcake, bread and milk.

WEDNESDAY—Pepper steak, gravy/potatoes, peas & carrots, cottage cheese w/pineapple, bread and milk.

THURSDAY—Salmon patty, macaroni & cheese, turnip greens, cabbage carrot slaw, peaches, bread and milk.

FRIDAY—Meatloaf, parsleyed potatoes, Italian veggies, banana pudding, milk and milk.



ISN'T SHE A BEAUTY? — 9-month-old Shyler Stout was the winner of the girls birth - 1 year Sunburst Pageant at Heartland Mall in Early on March 26, 1999. Shyler is the daughter of Connie Stout.



When lions are reunited after a separation, they greet each other by rubbing cheeks.

Donations for Nixon Benefit Announced -- Mark Your Calendar For Sat., May 15

The Leon Nixon Benefit is planned for Saturday, May 15, at the Cross Plains High School Gymnasiums and Football Field. The proceeds will assist Mr. Nixon with medical treatment not covered by insurance. He is contemplating cancer treatment in Canada.

Brisket plates and KIX Chuckwagon will be available for lunch beginning at 11:00 a.m. A Silent Auction will open at 11:00 a.m. and drawings for prizes will be announced throughout the benefit.

If you would like to donate a gift, please contact Kim Woerner, Benefit Coordinator, at (254) 725-7570.

Motivational speakers, including Jon Randles, and other personalities will be featured from 1:00 to 4:00 p.m.

The Abilene Prairie Dogs donated a Deluxe Fan Pack which will either be auctioned off or drawn for during the day. Grounder, their mascot, will be available for autographs and photos during the benefit festivities.

You may purchase tickets for an opportunity to win a 1999 Ford Ranger EXT Pickup, 4 cylinder with 5-speed for a \$25.00 donation. You may contact Jean McWilliams at (254) 725-6121; Paula Winfrey (254) 725-7787; Kim Woerner (254) 725-7570; Terri Hunter (915) 624-5532; Lynn and Pam Porter (254) 725-7379 or 725-6121; Citizens State Bank (254) 725-6141.

The drawing for the 1999 Ford Ranger EXT Pickup will be held at 4:00 p.m. on May 15.

The Nixon Benefit will be a fun-filled day for families, so mark your calendar for this special day.

The following businesses have already donated items which will be utilized for the Silent Auction or Door Prizes:

Coleman
J.E. Stevens Company - 1 Buffalo

Beanie Baby; 1 Ostrich Beanie Buddy; Shoppin Basket - 2 cases Dr. Pepper; Tyson Pharmacy - ceramic cow, blank journal; Merle Norman - Sunblock Sp F25; John Rambo - Vital Nutrient Hair Spray; Coleman County Chamber of Commerce and Agriculture/Tourist Bureau - Coleman Cap; Kuntry Kuts and Tanning - 2 Biologie conditioners; The Petal Patch - 1 Princess Bear (purple); William Tire Store - front end alignment; Krystal and Me - belt (small); Grammer's - Ty Beanie Baby (buffalo); Johnson Feed Barn - 50 lbs. dog food; Rudy Perez ALCO - lawn chair; P.J. Hosch - \$25.00 donation.

Marble Falls

Low Java Bob's Cafe - \$15 meal gift certificate and menu; M.F.'s Jamin' House Cafe - complimentary lunch for two and menu; M.F.'s Liberty Hall Bed and Breakfast - Room for 2 weekend or days of week; Vanishing Tx. River Cruise - 2 Eagle trips; Vanishing Tx. River Cruise - 2 Eagle trips; M.F. Meadowlakes Golf and Country Club - 2 rounds of golf with cart (\$80.00 value); M.F.'s Marks Steak House - dinner for 2 (\$25.00 value); Swaroski Crystal Pelican - 1 crystal (\$37.50 value);

Brownwood

Academy Lanes - 12 free games; Bible Book Store - (2) WWJD New Testaments; Brownwood TV Cable - 3 months free cable; Golden Corral - 2 separate adult buffets; Underwood BBQ - dinner for 2; Western Hatters - straw hat (can be exchanged for \$65.00 value); Heartland Skateway - Deluxe party for birthday for 10; Eard and Party Factory - 76 assorted balloons; Blue Cactus Cafe - \$100 worth of gift certificates.

Everyone's generosity is greatly appreciated.

C.P. STUDENT REVIEW



SCIENCE STUDENT AND TEACHER WILL ATTEND SYMPOSIUM — Candice Francy (from left) and Jamie Dement.

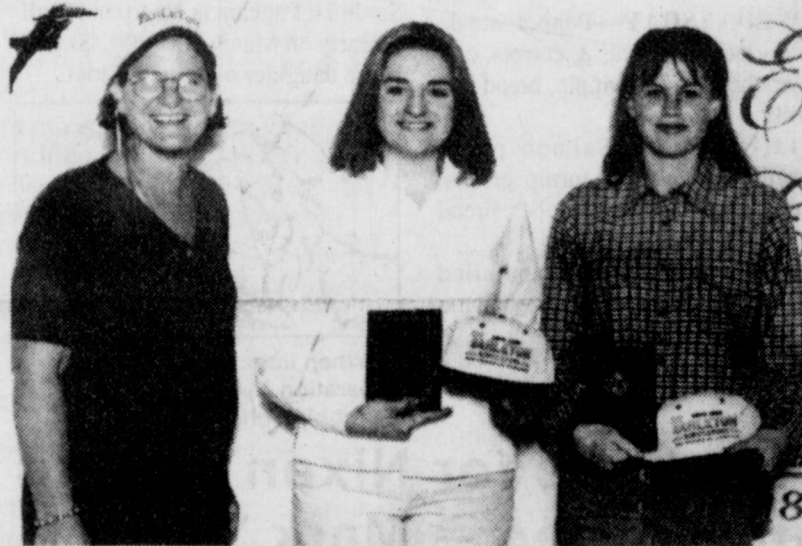
Local Teacher and Student to Attend Science Symposium

Cross Plains High School student, Candice Francy, and science teacher, Jamie Dement, have been chosen to attend the 39th Annual Texas Energy Science Symposium at the University of Texas in Austin, June 1-4, 1999.

The Symposium is jointly sponsored by the Texas Atomic Energy Research Foundation and the University of Texas. West Texas Utilities Company is one of the sponsoring companies in the Foundation and will pay all expenses for 50 students and teachers from their service area.

Candice and Ms. Dement will be among 400 outstanding high school science students and teachers throughout the state attending the sessions in Austin. Participants will tour some of the finest scientific facilities available and attend lectures and workshops conducted by leading professionals in the scientific field.

According to WTU area business manager, Robert Noriega, "the symposium is a chance for WTU to help students and teachers learn more about science and energy outside the classroom."



DAIRY FOODS — These Cross Plains High School students were among the top 20 individuals in the Dairy Foods Judging category of the FFA Invitational Career Development program hosted recently by Tarleton State University. Second from left, Stephanie Castleberry was 14th high individual and Brandi Richey was 18th high individual. At left is Tarleton faculty member Connie Fox who was contest director. There were ten different contests held during the Invitational which was hosted by Tarleton's College of Agriculture and Technology and the top 20 finishers in each event received a plaque and a cap.

Pre-K And Kindergarten Registration Date Set

Parents are asked to register their children who will enter Pre-kindergarten next fall. Cross Plains Elementary offers Pre-kindergarten to all children who will be four years of age on or before September 1, 1999. Pre-kindergarten is offered through the "Academics 2000" grant received to promote reading. The Pre-kindergarten program is 1/2 day, and ran from 8:00 to 11:30 a.m. this school year. Also, students who will be five years of age on or before September 1, 1999, are eligible for Kindergarten. Kindergarten is a full day program. Kindergarten is a basic part of the Cross Plains school system and the service is available to all students. If your child is currently enrolled in Pre-K at Cross Plains Elementary, you will not have to go through the screening process. If your child has not been enrolled in Pre-K, and will be attending Kindergarten in the fall, please register for screening.

Pre-K and Kindergarten screening will be conducted Tuesday, May 4 at Cross Plains Elementary School. Please call the Elementary Principal's office at 725-6123 to make an appointment for your child. The screening will take about sixty minutes. Each student's hearing, vision, speech, motor skills, language ability, and developmental growth will be evaluated at this time. Parents will be given a report on

their children's progress at the time of the screening.

Parents are reminded that to enter school in Texas, the student must have a state approved birth certificate and a current immunization record.

Immunizations Requirements: Hepatitis B - 3 doses by age 4; DTaP - 4 doses with one on or after 4th birthday; Haemophilus Influenza Type B - 1 dose on/after 15 months unless a series is completed @ 12 months; Polio - 3+ doses with one on or after 4th birthday; Measles - 2 doses on/after 1st birthday; Rubella - 1 dose on/after 1st birthday; Mumps - 1 dose on/after 1st birthday; Varicella - 1 dose by age 4

Please bring birth certificate, immunization record, and social security number at the time of registering.

Early childhood screening will be conducted at the same time as regular Pre-K and Kindergarten screening. The early childhood program is to help those children age 3-6 who show to be developmentally delayed or handicapped in any way.

Estimado Padre o Guardian: El Distrito Escolar Independiente de Cross Plains ofrecera un programa de pre-kindergarten si hay quince niños que cualifiquen para tal servicio. Para poder ser elegible para este programa, un estudiante

District 10-A Tennis Results Announced

By COACH MACK MCCONAL

The Cross Plains Tennis Team competed in Brownwood for District 10-A Monday and Tuesday, April 12-13. Both boys and girls won 2nd place as a team.

Results were:

Boys Singles
Joseph Hopkins - Beat Evant (6-0) (6-0); beat Bronte (6-0) 6-1; lost to Eden (4-6) (2-6) 3rd place; beat Eden (6-7) (6-3) (6-0) playback lost to Richards - won 3rd place
Coby Richards - Beat Menard (6-1) (6-1); beat Eden (#1) (6-0) (6-3); Finals lost to Eden (#2) (4-6) (6-2) (2-6); beat Joseph Hopkins on playback - won 2nd place

Girls Singles
Brandy Hutton - Beat Eden (6-1) (6-3); beat Christoval (6-4) (6-1); beat Menard (6-2) (3-6) (6-3); lost to Mindy Mitchell (1-6) (1-6) -

playback lost to Bronte - won 3rd place
Mindy Mitchell - Beat Santa Anna (6-0) (6-0); beat Bronte (6-0) (6-3); beat Cross Plains (6-1) (6-1) - won 1st place

Boys Doubles
Josh Hopkins/Chuck Norris - lost to Robert Lee (3-6) (5-7)
Brandon Gilliam/Sam Nixon - beat Menard (6-2) (6-2); lost to Santa Anna (3-6) (6-7)

Girls Doubles
Shena Thomas/Sara Nixon - lost to Menard (1-6) (0-6)
Jolena Fleming/Amanda Dillard - beat Santa Anna (7-6) (6-4); lost to Eden (4-6) (5-7)

This concludes tennis for most of our kids. In terms of work ethics, sportsmanship and behavior, all are winners in my heart and mind.

Our two Regional Qualifiers are Coby Richards and Mindy Mitchell. Hopefully they can take one more giant step at Regional and go on to State.



PIP FESTIVAL PARTICIPANTS—Russell Thomas (from left), Britany Stout and Justin Dickson.

Three local youths recently attended PIPS Festival

This year the 1999 PIP Festival was held at Abilene Christian University. There were 54 towns and over 640 kids competing at this year's festival. Ages kindergarten through 6th grade, boys and girls, compete in their individual categories against the same gender and age groups. Medals are awarded to the top three stops and certificates are given to fourth through sixth place. Cross Plains had three individuals to receive awards for their great accomplishments in their categories. Justin Dickson and Russell Thomas placed 3rd in their Duo competition. These boys performed a routine to music consisting of duel and individual basketball skills. Justin Dickson also placed 4th in the Obstacle Speed Drizzle. Russell Thomas placed 3rd in the Obstacle Speed Drizzle, 5th in Spin, and 6th in the PIP shots. Britany Stout, who competed at last year's PIP Festival, placed 2nd in Between The Legs Pass. Britany also attended the Friday night Fun Night celebration and received a wonderful door prize. Britany is now the proud owner of a 5 speed bike. Cross Plains should be very proud of these individuals for representing their community at this special event.

Baseball Update

By COACH CORD WOERNER

After the first round of District play, we are still in pretty good shape if we keep playing well. Miles will come here Friday, April 23 at 5:30 p.m. to start the second round.

In the last few games we beat Tolar 15-7, beat Miles 13-3, lost to Eula and Baird 11-1 and 10-0, and also lost a very exciting and close ball game with Bangs 5-4.

Zach Edington, Jody Pancake, Coby Richards and Dusty Hinkle have all done a good job for us on the

ground. Our leading hitters through this point in the season are:

Edington 15 for 43 - 13 RBI's and 4 HR
Richards 15 for 48 - 15 RBI's and 2 HR
Pancake 13 for 40 - 6 RBI's and 1 HR
L.D. Whitehead 12 for 38 - 4 RBI's
Tony Beggs 9 for 33 - 8 RBI's

Although we've struggled at times, I feel like these guys will be able to do what it takes and surprise some folks.

Thanks and see you at the ball park.

Local Student Named US National Award Winner

The United State Achievement Academy announced that Ashley June Harris from Cross Plains has been named a United States National Award Winner in two separate categories, Foreign Language and English.

This award is a prestigious honor very few students can ever hope to attain. In fact, the Academy recognizes fewer than 10% of all American high school students.

Ashley Harris, who attends Cross Plains High was nominated for this national award by Manuel Garcia and Raquel Hunter teachers at the school.

Ashley will appear in the United States Achievement Academy Official Yearbook, which is published nationally.

set forth by the Academy. The criteria for selection are a student's academic performance, interest and aptitude, leadership qualities, responsibility, enthusiasm, motivation to learn and improve, citizenship, attitude and cooperative spirit, dependability, and recommendation from a teacher or director.

Ashley is the daughter of Dave and Lanitta Sturgill from Cross Plains. The grandparents are Junior Baugh of Cross Plains and Jesse Harris of Carrollton and Sue Caraway of Bellflower, California.

CPISD School Board Minutes

By BILLY HARRIS
Special Writer

The Cross Plains School Board met in regular session Thursday, April 15th. These board members were present: Rex Beggs, Rickey Carey, Donnie Dillard, Charles Chesshir, Monty Richards and Tony Watt. Superintendent Jackie Tennon and Elementary Principal Margie Sowell were also in attendance.

Minutes of the previous meeting were approved after being corrected.

The bills were paid with a motion by Beggs and seconded by Richards.

The TASB Update 60 was approved with a motion by Beggs and seconded by Wyatt.

A list of students requesting transfer for the 1999/2000 school year from other districts was approved after a motion by Beggs and seconded by Carey.

The ESL Plan, submitted by

Margie Sowell, was approved. Motion by Beggs and seconded by Richards.

The Campus Improvement Plan was tabled until the regular meeting in May with the motion made by Beggs and seconded by Wyatt.

Wyatt made a motion to approve the Physics class trip to Six Flags, with proper supervision. The motion was approved after a second by Beggs.

After a twenty-five minute closed session the board approved hiring all auxiliary personnel for the 1999/2000 school year.

The board accepted the resignation of Robin Jamison, to be effective at the end of the 1998/99 contract year, with a motion by Wyatt and seconded by Beggs.

The resignation of Manuel Garcia as a spanish teacher was also accepted with a motion by Beggs and seconded by Wyatt. Garcia's resignation will be effective at the end of the 1998/99 contract year.

	5:30-6:30	6:00-6:00	6:30-7:30	8:00-end of game
24-Apr	Pam Porter Becky Sparks	Lurene Mcnutt Ila Gilliam	Jana Long Dedra Rivers	Dana Dimitri Bonnie Dickson
7-May	Tammy Odom	Sherri Bennett Teri Mize	Jennifer Galloway	Patrica Cook Ellen Steink
8-May	Donna Ames	Leann Baker Glenda Callaway	Sandy Mack	Sheri Kitchens Cheryl Daniels
14-May	Karen Dunaway	Shirley Smith Brenda Hutchins	Twyla Felty	Roxie Thomas Cindy Payne
15-May	Judy Luter	Lisa Beauchamp Patsy Daniels	Brenda Switzer	Lisa Daniels Teresa Koenig
25-May	Tina Thomas	Ronnie Purvis Sheri Kitchens	Tina Wyatt	Pat Stephens Terry Jane Wyatt
27-May	Leann Baker	Debbie Thomas Jule Wyatt	Bonnie Ames	LaQuita Morris Chanda Harris
1-Jun	Evelyn Harris	Debra Griswold Cindy Phillips	Rhonda Hinton	Harriett Lee Susan Maxwell
3-Jun	Debbie Whiteley	Bill Melton Robin Watkins	Angie Stephenson	Anita Rose Kim Simons
8-Jun	Karen Hamm	Jana Long Nancy McGough	Katie Teague	Lindy Cooper Becky Dillard
10-Jun	Sandy Hutton	Connie Davis Tammy Ford	Dana Miller	Trish Hopkins Sheri Kitchens
17-Jun	Liz Savell	Liz Savell Pattie Chambers	Mary Hutton	Belinda Peters Teresa Koenig

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Sinceramente,
Margie Sowell
Director de la Escuela

100 hurdles - Brandi Richey - 15.3
- 1st
800 relay - Jodi Payne, Shena Thomas, Meghann Lewis, Laura Ricci - 1:52.1 - 1st
300 hurdles - Brandi Richey - 48.7
- 2nd
Mile relay - Laura Ricci, Jodi Payne, Meghann Lewis, Brandi Richey - 4:17.5 - 3rd
Shot put - Amber Wilson - 33' 7" - 4th
Discus - Candice Francy - 100' - 4th
Triple jump - Brandi Richey - 36' 4" - 1st
Long jump - Brandi Richey - 16' 3 3/4 - 2nd; Laura Ricci - 15' 8 1/2" - 5th
High jump - Laura Ricci - 5' 0" - 1st; Whitney Giles - 4' 10" - 2nd
The top four finishers in each event will advance to Regional in Abilene in two weeks.



STEER SHOW WINNERS—Winners of the 1999 Callahan County Commercial Steer Show held Saturday, April 17 include from left to

right front row: Jared Akers, Blake Akers and Mitch Akers. Back row left to right are: Debra Jo Roden, Zach Hayhurst, Dustin Harman and Jamie Harman.

SCHOOL MENU

BREAKFAST
MONDAY—Cream of wheat, toast, assorted juice and milk.
TUESDAY—Waffle, sausage, assorted juice and milk.
WEDNESDAY—Cheese toast, assorted juice and milk.
THURSDAY—Cereal, toast, assorted juice and milk.
FRIDAY—Breakfast Burrito, assorted juice and milk.

LUNCH
MONDAY—Pizza, salad, corn apricots and milk.
TUESDAY—Vegetable beef soup, grilled cheese, crackers, orange sections and milk.
WEDNESDAY—Meat loaf w/ brown gravy, mashed potatoes, green peas, rolls, peach halves and milk.
THURSDAY—Meat-cheese nachos, pinto beans, salad, cobbler and milk.
FRIDAY—Hamburger, lettuce, tomato, pickles, fries, Rice Krispie bar and milk.

Callahan Commercial Steer Show Results Announced

The 1999 Callahan County Commercial Steer Show held Saturday, April 17, was a resounding success. Seven Callahan County youth participated in this year's show. The Commercial Steer Show not only tested each participant's steer feeding abilities but as well as their interview, record keeping and oral interview skills. Participants competed for over \$600 in prize money. 1st place and \$328 went to Dustin Harman, 2nd place and \$148 went to Jamie Harman. Mitch Akers took home 3rd place and \$118, while Jared Akers finished 4th with \$81. Fifth place and \$58 went to Debra Jo Roden, 6th place and \$30 went

to Blake Akers while 7th place and \$30 went to Zach Hayhurst. A special Thank You goes out to all of the following for their gracious support: Gayle Akers for allowing us to use the Akers working pens for our contest weigh-in and judging location, First National Bank of Baird-Clyde, Clyde Farm & Ranch, Janders Auto, J. Bar-N Lawn, Acco Feeds, MoorMan, Inc., Tally's and Lawrence Bros. IGA. Without the support of these people and businesses this contest could not have taken place.

Robert Pritz
Callahan County Extension Agent

Athletic Booster Club Preparing for Banquet

The Athletic Boosters will meet April 28th, May 5th and May 12th at 7:00 p.m. in the gym foyer to discuss the Athletic Banquet. Anyone who has pictures to be enlarged for the banquet, please see Roxie Thomas or Peggy Bailey.

AA Meeting Held Weekly At May

Alcoholics Anonymous meets every Tuesday at 8:00 p.m. in the First Baptist Church across from the school in May. For additional information call (915) 784-9032 or (254) 643-5816.

LETTER TO EDITOR

Dear Editor,
On "Winds-day" the 14th my wife Ginny and I were wondering (a hobby we share) "Do you suppose there were more UFO sightings today?" The one I saw was about the right shape but it was going so fast I couldn't be sure of the details. Thinking back, the direction of the "breezes" was from Southwest to Northeast, and I think it likely that it was a sombrero.

Another consideration is that we should all write our State Representatives to get legislation to keep us from having to pay taxes in more than one county in the same year.

Furthermore, Ginny points out that the Federal census folks should be careful about the direction they travel next year so they won't count the same folks twice (if they go West to East), or miss a lot of them if they go East to West. Otherwise they could tie themselves down and sit in the same place and count 'em as they go by.

Curt & Ginny Hoskins
Cross Plains, TX 76443

26th Annual Folklife Festival April 24-25

Cisco Civic League 26th Annual Folklife Festival will be held April 24 and 25, on the Cisco Junior College Campus. Saturday's activities will begin at 7:00 a.m., with a Trailride Breakfast at the CJC cafeteria, compliments of ARAMARK. At 10 a.m. the Festival Parade, sponsored by the Cisco Chamber of Commerce will begin. Immediately following the parade, the Cisco Folklife Festival officially opens. Hours are 10:30 a.m. until 7:00 p.m. on Saturday and 11:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m. on Sunday. A performance by the *Harmony Folk Singers* will conclude Saturday's activities. The performance is sponsored by Cisco Junior College. This year's festival will include food booths, pioneer demonstrations, arts, crafts and lots of entertainment, and of course the all time favorites, strawberry shortcakes and homemade bread.

Federal Land Bank Assoc. Reps Attend Meeting

Representatives of the Federal Land Bank Association of Texas were among more than 600 people attending the Tenth Farm Credit District 81st Annual Meeting recently, according to association CEO, James R. Isenhower.

The annual stockholders event was held April 8-9 in Austin. Local FLBA directors and staff who participated in the meeting included James R. Isenhower, CEO, Dale Bullinger, Branch President, Chris West, Board Chairman, Don Johnson, Board Vice Chairman, Jerry Richardson, Andrew Lange, Paul Jansa, Milton Spurgin, Lavon Beakley, Bruce Williams.

The Farm Credit Leaders heard reports on the district's 1998 operating performance, which was highlighted by a record \$1.027 billion in new mortgage loans and discussed plans for enhancing service to the agricultural community. Loren C. Scott, professor emeritus at Louisiana State University and renowned economic forecaster, gave the keynote address. Ken Ackerman, administrator of the USDA's risk management agency, spoke on federal crop insurance reform. The meeting also featured guest speakers Texas Agriculture Commissioner Susan Combs and US Sen. Thad Cochran.

With nearly \$5.2 billion in assets and 53,000 loans outstanding to rural residents, agricultural producers and agribusinesses, the Austin-based Farm Credit Bank of Texas comprise the largest agricultural lending network in Alabama, Louisiana, Mississippi, New Mexico and Texas.

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Receipts totaled 573 head. The market continued active on all classes of calves and yearlings with 500# and lighter steers selling steady to \$2 higher while 500# and heavier steers sold steady. Heifers of all weights sold steady to \$1.50 higher with replacement heifers selling steady. Slaughter cows and bulls sold steady to \$1.50 lower with pairs and bred cows selling \$25 to \$50 higher.

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Weight	Steers Price	Helpers Price	Slaughter Bulls
150-300	82-1.15	90-1.07	40-48
300-400	80-1.05	76-87	Slaughter Cows
400-500	80-1.03	70-84	30-38.50
500-600	78-92	70-79.50	Bred Cows
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This year is the 125th anniversary of the Red River War that culminated in the battle of Palo Duro Canyon and was the last great Indian battle in Texas. Fort Griffin soldiers were major players in that whole event. This year we will celebrate and tell the story of the Red River War.

Sunday will bring similar performances but will begin with a frontier church service.

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National Confederate Memorial Day April 24th

BY BILLY HARRIS
Special Writer

April 24th is National Confederate Memorial Day.

This day is set aside to remember the men that served in the Confederate Armed Forces during the War Between the States.

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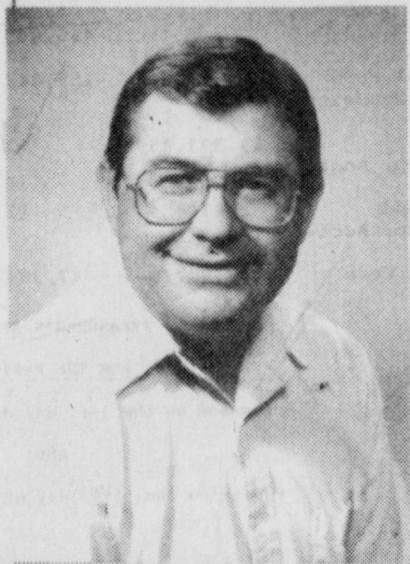
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During the afternoon, those in attendance heard reports from Taylor Electric Board President Sonny Watts, Secretary-Treasurer Larry Sloan and General Manager, Tommie Cutler. Mr. Cutler reported on the Cooperative's Y2K preparedness plans, the Cooperative's financial condition and utility deregulation legislation now being debated in the Texas Legislature. Mr. Cutler also presented service awards to Jamie Allumbaugh, Kevin Munden, Donna Brnovak, Jerry Williams, Jodie Minze, Derrell

Dean, Rocky Bryan, Dwain English, Larry Pack, Wayne Deen and Dale Hammond.

During the business session, three directors were elected. Mr. Loyd Walker was re-elected in Zone 1 (Taylor County). Derrell Dean was re-elected representing Zone 2 (Callahan, Eastland, Jones and Shackelford Counties). Clovis McElmurray was re-elected representing Zone 3 (Coke, Fisher, and Nolan Counties). Mrs. (Phyllis) Travis Farmer was elected from Zone 1 replacing Leo Holloway who was appointed by the Board to complete the term of Buster Horton who resigned from the Board in 1998 after serving 18 years. These were all elected for a three-year term. Officers of the Board elected to serve until the next Annual Meeting included Sonny Watts as President, Loyd Walker as Vice-President and Larry Sloan as Secretary-Treasurer.

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Callahan County Clean-up Set For Saturday, April 24

On Saturday, April 24 from 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, in cooperation with the Callahan County Commissioners' Court and Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission, will be hosting the Callahan County Clean-up.

The program will be held in Baird at the Texas Department of Transportation facility 7 miles north of I-20 on U.S. 283 North.

The Clean-up Program will allow you to bring tires, batteries, oil and oil filters to be collected free of

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COUNTY ROADS by Ginny Greene

Laundry Frog...

While pulling an assortment of towels, sox, and tee-shirts out of the washer early one morning, I yanked out a wadded up pair of blue jeans, and PLOP!—something fell out onto the floor.

I leaned over to inspect, peering into the dimness. It was a little bitty frog! It was probably the very one that had kept me and the dogs awake the past several nights.

"Poor little guy," I mumbled. "He'll never croak again. He's really croaked this time."

Then I noticed his chest rise. He was breathing! His eyes blinked once, and then again. He didn't move a muscle. He just sat there, catching his breath, his tongue hanging out the side.

The poor little creature was squashed flat, and was very shiny clean. He could have made a marvelous commercial for the laundry detergent company.

I mentally ran through what his last half hour must have been like: warm water setting, high water level, full 18 minute wash cycle, all those caustic suds, not to mention swishing back and forth around the agitator. And then the spin cycle. Oh, mercy!

With soap in his eyes and all that spinning, I could imagine how dizzy and disoriented he must have felt. It had to be a lot more than just shaking fuzzy cobwebs out of his head. What torture. What a sore throat he must have. I felt contrite.

The frog sat there for a long time, hunched over his little frog legs.

I went back upstairs to fix coffee and breakfast and school lunches, running back downstairs a couple of times to check on the frog. I gave him little chance for survival. But, with cold-blooded determination, that little frog sucked in his guts, puffed out his chest, dried off his clammy body and regained his green matte finish. Hopping came back to him much later. I think the trauma left him mute.

Days later, the frog was still around, and still stretching his luck. I heard water splashing as I passed by with another basket full of laundry. It was him, thrashing around in the dogs' water dish. At first

glance, I thought he was merely enjoying a dip in the pool, but then I saw he was wearing himself out, frantically trying to generate enough lift and thrust to clear the smooth sides of the plastic dish. I fished him out and told him to quit that!

He was becoming quite a fixture around the place, wedging himself into the family ecosystem. We decided to name him. We called him Laundry Frog.

Not too much later, I caught him hanging around the big upright freezer in the basement. I didn't relish the idea of crystallized frog, so I kept an eye out for him. I just never realized how tough it is being a frog.

Anytime, I'm really careful to shake out the laundry before it goes in the washer.

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FOR THE PERIOD

Beginning on the 1st day of January A.D. 1999

AND

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CASH	BALANCE	RECEIVED THIS QUARTER	PAID OUT THIS QUARTER	BALANCE
OPERATING FUNDS				
Payroll Clearing	1,000.00	317,127.19	317,127.19	1,000.00
Lateral Road	9,261.15	.00	9,228.95	32.20
Bad Check Processing	1,048.71	1,738.43	2,127.45	659.69
Dare Project	3,798.37	1,000.00	269.50	4,528.87
Abandoned Automobiles	687.04	.00	.00	687.04
Call.Co.Comm.Prec. #1	1,011.13	76,886.08 5,000.00 (Tr) 81,886.08	34,294.51 37,500.00 (Tr) 71,794.51	11,102.70
Call.Co.Comm.Prec. #1 Money Market Dep. Acct.	86,907.16	37,500.00 (Tr) 656.55 (Int) 38,156.66	5,000.00 (Tr)	120,063.71
Call.Co.Comm.Prec. #2	418.87	109,360.14 12,500.00 (Tr) 121,860.14	61,368.44 50,000.00 (Tr) 111,368.44	10,910.57
Call.Co.Comm.Prec. #2 Money Market Dep. Acct.	194,848.24	50,000.00 (Tr) 1,344.07 (Int) 51,344.07	12,500.00 (Tr)	233,692.31
Call.Co.Comm.Prec. #3	2,766.93	110,389.92 5,000.00 (Tr) 115,389.92	42,704.54 67,500.00 (Tr) 110,204.54	7,952.31
Call.Co.Comm.Prec. #3 Money Market Dep. Acct.	308,930.16	67,500.00 (Tr) 2,460.93 (Int) 69,960.93	5,000.00 (Tr)	373,891.09
Call.Co.Comm.Prec. #4	4,013.99	110,311.06 5,000.00 (Tr) 115,311.06	39,444.26 67,500.00 (Tr) 106,944.26	12,380.79
Call.Co.Comm.Prec. #4 Money Market Dep. Acct.	136,138.27	67,500.00 (Tr) 1,075.68 (Int) 68,575.68	5,000.00 (Tr)	199,713.95
Call.Co. General Fund	10,870.48	859,310.47	606,652.95 225,000.00 (Tr) 831,652.95	38,528.00
Call.Co. General Fund Money Market Dep. Acct.	64,685.61	225,000.00 (Tr) 209,442.67 1,600.55 (Int) 436,043.22	259,442.67 (Tr)	241,286.16
Call.Co. General Fund Certificate of Deposit	.00	259,442.67 (Tr)	.00	259,442.67
Hospital Fund Money Market Dep. Acct.	13,573.85	92.35 (Int)	.00	13,666.20
Unemployment Fund Money Market Dep. Acct.	2,876.54	12.16 (Int)	674.76	2,213.94
Indigent Health Care	3,390.20	47,384.46	43,584.36	7,190.30

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OPERATING FUNDS				
Historical Commission Certificate of Deposit	13,000.00	.00	.00	13,000.00
Sheriff's Forfeiture Fund Money Market Dep. Acct.	8,102.76	48.05 (Int)	.00	8,150.81
Attorney's Forfeiture Fund Money Market Dep. Acct.	10,743.24	328.74 (Tr) 78.55 (Int) 407.29	702.00	10,448.53
Call.Co. Seizure Acct. Savings Acct.	28,751.58	173.92 (Int)	406.00 328.74 (Tr) 734.74	28,190.76
Call.Co. Records Management Money Market Dep. Acct.	.00	7,860.00 42.43 (Int) 7,902.43	.00	7,902.43
Call.Co. Records Management Preservation	.00	598.26	.00	598.26
TOTAL OPERATING FUNDS	910,992.14	1,851,547.68 734,771.41 (Tr) 2,612,19 (Int)	1,159,953.53 734,771.41 (Tr) 1,894,724.94	1,610,198.48
OTHER ASSETS NONE		2,593,931.28		
BONDED INDEBTEDNESS NONE				

SIGNED: Dianne Alexander CO. TREAS.

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN TO BEFORE ME THIS 22th DAY OF April, 1999.

Janice Bohannon CO. CLERK