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EDITOR'S NOTE: Last week's "Life in the 1500's" motivated a local lady, Ginny Hoskins, to do some research. Below are some enlightening facts. Vanda Anderson-Creech

The essay "Life in the 1500's" in your Down Home column of 3/9/00 was a fun piece to read, but I'm glad you included the disclaimer "It isn't known how accurate it is." As a student of history, I'd say it's a pretty good description of how most people lived in the 1500's (and much later for many). However, some of the word origins are rather suspect:

The term "threshold" might have originated as described, but it was long before the 1500's. The usage goes back to Old English (Anglo-Saxon), some thousand years before Anne Hathaway's time.\* I remember from something I read many years ago that the term originally referred to a low border built around the threshing (or thrashing) floor to keep the straw and grain from migrating during the threshing process, and it was later applied to doorways in living abodes.

"Trench mouth" originated during World War I when the disease was virtually epidemic among the far too many men (on both sides) who literally lived in the European trenches for weeks on end. Previously known as "Vincent's angina" after the French physician who first described it in the early 1900's, it's a nasty bacterial infection of the mouth and throat.\*

Tomatoes are native to Mexico and Central and South American,\* so I wonder how many folks in 1500's England were eating them (or dying from eating them). I always thought they were regarded as poisonous because the plant is a member of the nightshade family.

"Wake" comes from the same Old English root as "watch," and apparently was first used around 1425-75 to refer to the practice of sitting with the deceased prior to burial. However, it seems to have been used in the sense of a "watch" or "vigil," rather than expecting the deceased to "wake up."\*

All the information marked with an \* comes from The Random House Dictionary of the English Language, Second Edition Unabridged.

An interesting note regarding the use of "trenchers" -- it may not have been as unsanitary as it sounds. Within the last few years, researchers discovered that, when they put bacterial cultures on untreated wood, the bacterial all die within a few hours. The theory is that the oily resins in the wood (of which turpentine is one) are pretty strong bacteria killers. With regard to the antibacterial properties of turpentine, I recall my grandfather routinely used it to disinfect wounds on cattle, horses, dogs, and the occasional grandchild. Needless to say, much better and safer disinfectants are available today, but maybe eating from a reasonably ciean (weii-scrapeu) uciiciici wasirt as bad as it sounds. And that may be the only aspect of "Life in the 1500's that wasn't as bad as it sounds!

**Ginny Hoskins** 



NEW LOCAL BUSINESS - Cross Plains Monument, owned by Linda Strickland, ready to serve you in your time of need.

## **Cross Plains Monument - A New Business in the Community**

By VANDA ANDERSON-CREECH Editor

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NEW ADDITIONS TO STOWAWAY MINI STORAGE ON HWY 206 - A ribbon cutting celebrated the opening of the new facilities constructed by Nathan Price of Heart of Texas Fence Company in Brownwood. Pictured are Kathy Chesshir (from left), Melanie Chesshir, Nora Odom (Manager), Dora and James Warlick (Owners) Betty Westerman, Ron Bagley and Susan Schaefer.

#### Stowaway Mini Storage Adds To Facility

The Cross Plains Chamber of Commerce hosted a ribbon cutting for the new additions to Stowaway Mini Storage on Monday, March 13. The business is located 1/2 mile south of the Cross Plains red light on Highway 206.

Stowaway Mini Storage is owned by James and Dora Warlick and managed by Nora Odom. They have been serving the Cross Plains community's storage needs since

The new units were built by Nathan Price of Heart of Texas Fence Company in Brownwood. They are all steel construction with concrete floors.

To celebrate the ribbon cutting, they are offering FREE MONTH of storage to all new renters from now through April 15. There are three sizes available.

Call Nora at 725-6840 to take advantage of spring cleaning and get your first month of storage FREE!

# **Trade Days Plans Underway**

By BARBARA POWELL

Plans for Cross Plains Garden Clubs Trade Days to be held March 25th are underway. Members have been busy potting plans and accumulating items to be sold. Excitement is in the air! Some of the plants to be sold at the garden club table are: red tip photinia, Japanese Boxwood, also starts of red yucca, vegetables and house plants.

Wild Rose Hill Nursery will display a selection of plants for sale. Ava Dodd's Trading Post will have a large selection of items again this year, such as garage sale items, garden plants and antiques, one of which is an Avon car collection

Bill Richardson of Coyote Flat General Store will offer wood crafts. yard ornaments, flower bulbs, etc. Jayne Carter will be there with her

See TRADE DAY page 7

#### Homecoming Ex-Students Assoc. Meeting March 23

All Cross Plains High School exstudents are invited to attend the meeting of the Ex-Student Association scheduled for Thursday, March 23, at 7:00 p.m. at the Dairy Queen.

Plans for Homecoming 2000 will be discussed and your input is encouraged. It takes many volunteers to pull off this big event -- so get involved.

# Update on Local **Elections**

Gene Dillard, who has served as mayor in the past, has announced his candidacy for the mayor's position and Ray Womack is seeking reelection as councilman for the City of Cross Plains. The position of mayor and two council seats are up for grabs.

Ray Purvis is seeking re-election as mayor and Jerry Cassle reelection as councilman. Dean Dillard has also filed for a council seat for a first term.

Ballot positions will be drawn for the city council election on Friday, March 24, at 1:00 p.m. at the City

In the school board trustee election Terry Nixon, who has been completing the term of her late husband, Leon Nixon, has announced her intentions to run for trustee. Donnie Dillard and Tony Wyatt are running for re-election and Andy Anderson is seeking a first term on the board.

Deadline to file for an application for city and school board election is March 22 at 5:00 p.m. You may file at the City Hall for council positions. You need to call (254) 725-7458 concerning filing for school board trustee during this week of spring break (March 13-17).

## Project Graduation **Meeting Monday**

ByCONNIE KIRKHAM

There will be a Project Graduation meeting on Monday, March 20, at 5 p.m. a the Cross Plains Dairy Queen.

All junior and senior moms are encouriged to attend. We need help with this most beneficial event.

Project Graduation was started here eleven years ago and has been an annual event since then. We normaly have 98-100% attendance of the eniors.

The vent is for graduating seniors and ore guest of their choice. It is a fun-filled night of good food, movies, games, basketball, volle, ball, prizes, just about any fun thing you can think of!

Please attend and help plan this years event. If you would like to help but can't attend, please contact Conne Kirkham (254) 725-6500 or 725-6318; Jean McWilliams 725-61210r Lurene McNutt 725-6121.

#### Callahan Co. Water Supply Annual Meeting

The annual meeting of the Callinan County Water Supply Corporation is scheduled for Monay, March 21, 2000 at 1:00 p.m at the Callahan County Water Suply Corporation office located at 211 N. Access Road in Clyde,

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CROSS PLAINS VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT HAS A NEW PROGRESSIVE LOOK



EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICE CROSS PLAINS AMBULANCE PARKED IN FRONT OF NEW BAY

# Open House for the Fire Station & EMS **Most Impressive**

By VANDA ANDERSON-CREECH Editor

The Open House held at the Cross Plains Volunteer Fire Station and Emergency Medical Service Saturday showed off the completion of a \$40,000 plus project. The City of Cross Plains was responsible for \$20,000, Callahan County \$2,000, Development Economic Corporation \$2,000, the Volunteer Fire Department \$9,000 and the local E.M.S. \$7,000. Carouth Construction was responsible for all the new construction and remodeling. George Mathews, who serves in both organizations, volunteered his time painting and

cleaning up. A personal tour by Fire Chief Rickey Carouth and E.M.S. Board of Director Linda Strength impressed me with the amount of training the volunteers have obtained and their generosity to share their time and talent.

They are proud of their new facilities that house two ambulances, six fire vehicles and the City of Cross Plains' sewer machine. The Fire Department has a new

office and a room for firefighting

Wright will retain County **Attorney post** 

Incumbent Callahan County Attorney Allen Wright defeated challenger Shane Deel by 19 votes to retain his post from the Democratic Party Primary Election held Tuesday, March 14 throughout the

Wright garnered 584 total votes or 49.61% to Deel's 565 votes or 48.00% of the total cast. Wright will not face a challenger

in the November General Election. The only other contested local race on the Democratic Party side, saw William "Bill" Young win the Constable Precinct #4 (Cross Plains) seat by four votes over Tom Rumfield. Young took 119 votes or 46.12% to 115 votes, or 44.57%. for Rumfield.

In another natty nrimany race of interest, Al Gore won the in Callahan County for the party's presidential nominee with 556 votes, to Bill Bradley's 275 votes.

There were 1,177 county votes cast in the Democratic Party Priclothing. The E.M.S. has their own office and supply room.

The two share a bathroom and laundry room and shower, in which the washer and dryer have not been purchased. They also share the dispatch station and a meeting and continuing education room that has been remodeled. The E.M.S. purchased the carpet for this particular room and Dub Meador volunteered the installation.

The firemen meet the second and fourth Mondays of the month and E.M.S. the first Monday of the month. Both groups are in need of additional volunteers, and if you would like become involved, contact Rickey Carouth for the fire department and Bob Pipes for

Becky Bland and Susan Schaefer are currently the co-ordinators for the E.M.S. Co-ordinators serving one year terms There are so few actively involved, that positions are just rotated among the volunteers. The responsibility level is tremendous and they are to be

The E.M.S. is also proud of the defibrillators provided in each See OPEN HOUSE page 5

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Luis Serrano, Jr., plea of guilty to possession of marijuana, 10 days in jail, \$192.25 court costs.

Jalayne Williams, plea of guilty to theft of property by check, 6 month probation, \$100 fine, \$246.25 court costs, \$158.74 restitution.

Steven Edward Purlee, motion to withdraw as surety and application for warrant granted.

R. L. Rolan, motion to dismiss to theft of property by check granted, paid restitution.

#### Marriage Licenses

Barton Elmore Kendrick of Abilene and Linda Jane Piel of Baird. Ricky Joe Hobbs of Baird and Michelle Lorene Bounds of Albany.

Michael Wayne Cooley of Clyde and Tamarin Lynn Freiman of Baird.

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**Civil Filings** 

Byron W. Hatchett and Deborah Ann Hatchett, divorce.

Ann Hatchett, divorce.

John Robert Belshe and Ruby Day
Belshe, divorce.

J. B. Little and Cathie N. Little, divorce.

#### **Civil Minutes**

Roberson Sand & Gravel, Inc. vs. Shar Trucking Co., Inc. and the heirs or beneficiaries of Lester Alin Jones and Larry Carrier dba Larae Trucking Co., order of dismissal with prejudice granted.

Irene Marie White and John Will White, divorce granted.

#### **Criminal Minutes**

Michael Patrick Kearney, order discharging defendant from probation granted.

James Donald Bronson, motion to dismiss granted.

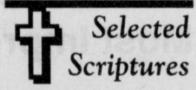
Jeremy R. Barbian, plea of guilty to burglary of a building, 5 year probation, \$1400 fine, \$199.25 court costs, \$2064.93 restitution.

Lea Ann Cavage, judgment revoking probation granted.

NOTICE: Michael R. Johnson, listed in the March 9 Misdemeanor minutes of the Courthouse Records is not Michael A. Johnson of Gorman.

## Colonial Oaks Services

Cornerstone Church will conduct worship services at Colonial Oaks Nursing Home on Sunday, March 19, commencing at 3:30 p.m.



Deal with Your servant according to Your mercy, and teach me Your statutes. Psalm 119:124

...according to His mercy He saved us... Titus 3:5

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## **Obituaries**

#### Sam Odom

Sam Odom, 55, of Cross Plains, died Friday, March 10, 2000, in Hendrick Medical Center in Abilene.

Funeral services were held at 2 p.m., Monday, March 13, 2000, in the Higginbotham Chapel with Bob Pipes officiating. Burial was in the Cross Plains Cemetery with Higginbotham Funeral Home of Cross Plains in charge of the arrangements.

Sam was born December 1, 1944, in Brownwood to Morris Samuel, Sr. and Dorothy Lee (Barnett) Odom. Mr. Odom had lived here all his life and was a well known local cattleman. He was a member of the Church of Christ.

The following was among Sam's many handwritten note cards relating his thoughts and dreams. There are people who put their dreams in a little box and say, "Yes, I've got dreams, of course, I've got dreams." Then they put the box away and bring it out once in a while to look at it, and yep, they're still in there. These are great dreams, but they never even get out of this box. It takes an uncommon amount of guts to put your dreams on the line, to hold them up and say, "How good or how bad am I? That's where courage comes in.

He was preceded in death by his father and nephew, Shawn Odom.

He is survived by his two sons, Conda Odom of Cross Plains, Cody and wife, Selena Odom of Abilene; his mother, Dorothy Odom of Cross Plains; one brother and sister-in-law, Scott and Sherry Odom of Clyde; two grandchildren, Cierra Odom and Kayle Wooten; one niece Ashley Moon and husband, Mark, and son, Parker, and special friends, Diane Bowden of Cross Plains, Tommy and Dusty Bowden and Carl Edington.

Memorials may be made to the Cross Plains EMS, or the Shawn Odom Memorial Fund at the Western Texas College in Snyder.

Pallbearers were Max Howell, Billy Watson, Mike Odom, Carlos Klutts, Boise Davis and Phil McClellan.

Honorary pallbearers were Wayne Webb, Jimmy Hargrove, Ted McCullough, Jimmie Blackwell, Bob English, Fred Rodgers, Jerry Merritt, Preston Hollis, and Randy Strickland.

#### Nash Tucker, Jr.

Nash Tucker, Jr., age 80, of Cross Plains, died Sunday, March 12, 2000, at Abilene Regional Medical Center in Abilene.

Funeral services were held Tuesday, March 14, 2000, at 3:00 p.m. at the Higginbotham Chapel with Dr. Richard Chaffin and Knox Waggoner officiating. Burial was in the Ross Cemetery in Baird with Higginbotham Funeral Home of Cross Plains in charge.

Nash was born June 4, 1919, in Fort Worth. He married Phyllis Wood on March 28, 1943, in Odessa. He was employed by Gulf Oil for 18 years and salesman for J.C. Penney Company for 15 years. He served in the U.S. Navy in World War II on the U.S.S. Indianapolis. Nash was President of the American Legion in Odessa; member of the Masonic Lodge for 49 years; deacon of the First Christian Church in Odessa and was youth leader for many years; and he was also quarterback of the 1935 Odessa High football team.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Nash Tucker, Sr. and Bess Swift Tucker and a sister, Virginia Tucker Hendrick.

He is survived by his wife, Phyllis Tucker of Cross Plains; two daughters, Susan Maddox and husband, Danny, of Abilene and Sharyn Hill and husband, Bob, of Cross Plains; one brother, Tommy and wife, LaRue Tucker of Odessa; brother-in-law, Chunky Hendrick of Odessa; four grandchildren, Deron Duffey, Landon Hill, Chris Maddox, Melanie Besecker; and one great-grandchild, Danielle Williams.

Memorials may be sent to the Cross Plains EMS, Cross Plains Volunteer Fire Department or the Gross Plains Public Library.

Pallbearers were Randy Foster, Allen Barnett, R.L. Barnett, Carroll Pringle, Jimmy Long and W.G. McCoy.

BROWNWOOD—Justin Box, 14, of Brownwood, passed away Wednesday night, March 8, 2000, at Shannon Hospital in San Angelo.

**Justin Box** 

Graveside services were held at 10:30 a.m. Saturday at Eastlawn Memorial Park. Interment followed under the direction of Heartland Funeral Home of Early.

He was born on April 3, 1985, in Rankin. He was an 8th grade student at Brownwood Middle School, and was a Baptist. He lived in Brownwood most of his life.

He was preceded in death by his grandmothers, Betty Box and Judy Crownover.

Survivors include his parents, Rickey Lane and Karen Box of Brownwood; brothers, Josh Box of Brownwood, Jeremy Box of Cross Plains and Rickey Gaylon Box of Florence; sister, Stacey Lee of Florence; grandparents, Ben G. Box of Brownwood and Ralph and Glenda Crownover of San Angelo; a number of aunts, uncles, cousins, nieces and nephews.

#### Juanita Abbott

BLANKET—Juanita Abbott, age 78, of Blanket, passed away Thursday morning, March 9, 2000, at Brownwood Regional Medical Center.

Funeral services were held at 4:00 p.m. Saturday at Heartland Funeral Home Chapel, with the Rev. Gary Day and the Rev. Billy Camp officiating. Interment followed at Eastlawn Memorial Park under the direction of Heartland Funeral Home of Early.

She was born on April 26, 1921, in Cisco. She attended school at Pioneer and had been a resident of Blanket since 1980. She was also a member of the Blanket First Baptist Church. She was also an active business woman in Brown County, having owned and operated several businessess. She married James Abbott at Cross Plains on November 30, 1945. He preceded her in death.

Survivors include two sons, Gary Abbott of Priddy and David Abbott of Lake Proctor; one brother, Donnie Ray Kelly of Kerrville; seven grandchildren and six greatgrandchildren.

#### **Mary Barnhill**

BAIRD—Mary Barnhill, 76, died Friday, March 10, 2000.

Services were at 3 p.m. Sunday at the Parker Funeral Home Chapel with the Rev. Larry Gaumond officiating, burial was in Ross Cemetery Annex.

Mrs. Barnhill was born in Eola. She had lived in Baird since 1957 and had worked at Timex in Abilene and the Abilene State School. She was a Methodist. She married Robert "Pete" Barnhill in 1958.

Survivors include one son, Mark Baum of Lubbock; one sister, Ruth O'Hara of Eldorado; three grandchildren; five stepgrandchildren; two great-stepgrandchildren; numerous nieces and nephews.

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#### March 16, 2000

# Local Food Pantry Reported Off to A Good Start

#### By VICKI DILLARD

With the help of several volunteers and organizations, the Cross Plains Food Pantry has gotten off to a wonderful start. Team effort from the community has proven that when we pull together as a whole we can really make a difference.

We would like to recognize these organizations for contributing funds and volunteering time working in the Food Pantry. They are the Burkett United Methodist Church, The First United Methodist Church of Cross Plains and the Kiwanis Club of Cross Plains.

Special thanks also go out to the United Pentecostal Church, The Cross Plains Church of Christ and the First Baptist Church and others for so willingly giving their time to work for the Food Pantry.

Library Notes March 6-10



Hey, there! Talk about support!
The check mark and I got support by being put in a box. If that's support, look at the box the library is in this month. Boy, does it have support!

Memorials: For Wilmoiean Dill

Memorials: For Wilmojean Dill by Vivian Wooten, Linda Robison, Walter & Carol Kraatz, Richard & Mary Ann Chaffin, Jason Porter, Elvin, Vondean, Greg and Liz Hutchins and Dorothy Petty.

For Ruby Lee Kilgore and Willie Armstrong by Richard & Mary Ann Chaffin.

For Esta Lee Potter, Billy Foster, Madie C. (Edington) Wenetschaeger, Leonard Jones and Bobby Dillard by Betty Kinnard.

For Mabel Halsell by Bob and Frances Sneed.

Honorarium: For Bobbye Hinkle by Vivian Wooten. Computer Use: Come in any

Computer Use: Come in any afternoon and find the ghree public use computers busy. Wow!

Writing Contest: for school students, sponsored by the Cross Plains Library. Presentation of awards in April. Watch for announcement. You must see these entries.

Circulation: Books - Cross Plains

Abilene 6 Audio Books - Cross Plains 3 LAP - 28 Interlibrary Loan - 3 Total - 116

Reminder: Plans are underway for the next book review. Be aware that there will be more and make plans to come. We'll announce the date as early as possible. We could not forget to mention our appreciation to TRIAD and CTO. They allow the Food Pantry to operate out of their building even though we are not associated with their current programs. TRIAD and CTO cover the cost of all utility bills on the building while in use by our local Food Pantry. We appreciate this loving gesture by these organizations.

To volunteer or contribute please contact Betty Edwards at 725-6510 or Dr. Richard Chaffin at 725-7694. If you are home bound and need Food Pantry assistance, call Betty Edwards and she will see that someone comes to you to help.

We would like to remind people that we have a good assortment of gently used clothing for men, women and children. This clothing is good quality - If you need clothing of any type - please feel free to stop by and look. The clothing is free of charge.

Citizens of Cross Plains - please keep the Food Pantry and its volunteers on your prayer list.

The Food Pantry is open from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Monday and Thursday of each week.

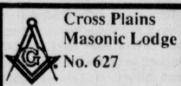
## Cottonwood Musical Set for Friday, March 17

The Cottonwood Quilting Club is having their Country and Western Musical on Friday, March 17, at the Cottonwood Community Center.

They will be serving vegetable beef soup with corn bread, pie and sandwiches.

The musical will start at 6 p.m. The emcee for the evening will be Smokey Callaway. All Country and Western musicians are invited to attend. Smokey Callaway has retired from being our emcee after 17 years. Thank you Smokey. Mary Ella Weaver is our new emcee.

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Sunday's Sermon
"Bringing Jesus Home"

By: Linda Merritt

Nandell Stiles really enjoyed her birthday party. She had several members of her family here with her which made her birthday even more special. We appreciate the Angel Food Cake, fresh strawberries and Cool Whip that Beth Meador provided for us, and to Dorothy Reynolds for the wonderful singing. A warm welcome for our new resident O.B. Switzer.

We are hoping for a fast recovery for Jessie Fleming who hurt her wrist. Hurry back Jessie we miss you.

A reminder to everyone to wear something green Friday in recognition of St. Patrick's Day.

Appreciation to Margaret Clark for

Vera Belyeu is our winner for a free meal from Jack's Place. Thanks Wanda and Jack.

Isla Stroud visited with Elsie Stroud.

Kathy Chesshir visited with Jo

: Boatright. Shauna and Isaiah Guerrero from Abilene, Sharene Deshmukh from Stephenville, Roger and Michelle Rudloff from Mansfield, Lurene McNutt, Charlou Cowan and Minnie Cunningham visited with Louise Richardson.

Laquetta Rankin and Frankie Smith from Pioneer Baptist visited

Personal.

Jean Fore of Pioneer and Paul,

Juanita and Vi Harlow of Lovington,

New Mexico spent the weekend in

Arlington at the home of their

nephew and niece Grasson and

Myrtle Harlow and niece Lella

Kregel of Aburdeen, Maryland in a

with Falba Shofner and Jo Boatright.

Burlie Paul McCowen from Hawley, Charleene McGowen from Brownwood, Joan Bullard from Clyde visited with Kate McCarty and Raymond McCowen.

Tracy French visited with Boots Ferguson.

Alton and Donie McCowen visited with Raymond McCowen.

James Meador, Lee and Darlene and Jessica Meador, Bethany and Taylor Parker, Dub and Beth Meador and Delores Perry from Santa Anna visited with Nandell

Activities during the week were: Monday: Bingo winners were Victor Long, Maxine Crisp (2), Falba Shofner (2) and Vera Belyeu (2). Exercise class.

Tuesday: Art class, popcorn social and Skip-Bo games.

Wednesday: Sing-a-long with Bob Wallace and exercise class.

Thursday: Manicures and ball

Friday: Bingo winners were Vera Belyeu (2), Maxine Crisp, Minnie Swann (2) and Howet Wilson. Sitdown-baketball and Skip-Bo

Sunday: Cornerstone Church If you don't live it, you do not believe it.

family reunion. Thirty-two relatives

were in attendance. Everyone really

enjoyed visiting, playing games and

eating. They returned home

Monday afternoon after having a

very good time.

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#### Quips, Clips & Comments

By: Kay Mosley

"GEMS"

Very often have I heard it said about a comment or a phrase that someone uttered; "Now that's a real pearl of wisdom."

There are pearls; yes, and then on the other hand there are "GEMS."

Ever once in a while I've heard a few "gems". However, occasionally I run across what might be considered a real "GEM." I suppose it could be controversial if you looked at it that way -- but -- I don't see this one in that light.

And I quote the phrase that I read and found to be "a real GEM." "If a man speaks in the forest, and there is not woman there to hear him, is he still wrong?"

I suppose each individual would or might, according to his or her own mindset; come up with quite a different variation of answers to that question! 'T-would be a matter of ones own personal opinion.

On the other hand, if you just sit

and think about it and ponder on it, even get analytical, break it down; weed it out and otherwise disect it you may well come to a variety of conclusions on the subject.

Some answers could depend on that particular persons gender. Personally I think it a comical question or phrase; however, mind boggling it might appear to be.

I see it this way, if none is there to hear what is spoken; who's to know anyway? Well, it's 5:30 a.m., and I'm getting sleepy which brings to mind another li'l "GEM", I spotted recently!

In my opinion it fits me to a "T". If you really, really know me well; you'll probably agree -- it fits my philosophy -- but that's another story isn't it? Anyway here it is:

"How beautiful it is to do nothing, and then rest."

That said I will take my leave and rest.

# Ma & Pa

The End!

By James Nichols

Every two or three years Ma would take a train back to Anderson, Missouri to visit her parents, the Harrymans. Both Ma and Pa made visits to parents in Missouri.

On one occasion, Ma was riding the train with her small children, when a lady made the remark that Ma appeared to have Indian blood. This made Ma so angry that she took her children and moved to another

The Harryman farm joined the James' farm and the Harryman family actually heard the blast that killed Jesse James' mother. In later years, the James Gang became notorious and one of its members was Ma's brother. He was referred to as "Tiny".

Ma was ashamed of only two things -- the fact that her brother Tiny rode with Jesse James and that she had Indian blood.

# **Texas Garden Club Spring** Convention March 24 & 25

The Spring Convention of District VIII of Texas Garden Clubs, Inc., will convene in Ballinger, March 24 and 25. Host clubs will be Ballinger Civic Garden Club, Cross Plains Garden Club and Coleman Town and Country Garden Club.

Pre-convention activities begin with Registration 4-6 p.m. Friday, March 24 at the Carnegie Library of Ballinger, 204 N. 8th Street. 5-6 p.m., a tour of Mary's Greenhouse. Also Curiosities at 719 Hutchings and Ballinger Ice House at 623 Railroad Avenue will be open during this hour. A Dutch treat dinner at the Jeweled Sampler Tea Room located in the Curiosities

Mall at 6 p.m.

Saturday, March 25 Registration 8:30-9:30 a.m. at the Carnegie Library with Coleman Town and Country Garden Club hosting a continental breakfast. The Executire Meeting 8:30 a.m. and the Business Session at 9:30 a.m. Lunch to follow. The program at 1:00 p.m. will be DESIGNS FOR THE NEW MILLENNIUM presented by the District VIII Flower Show Judges.

Convention Chairman is Becky Greaves, Coleman with Desma Lovry, Ballinger and Julene Franke, Cross Plains serving as Cocharmen.

# SENIOR **MENU**

MARCH 20-MARCH 24 MONDAY-Swiss steak, whole potatoes, peas & carrots, peanut butter cookie and milk.

TUESDAY-Enchilada casserole, Spanish rice, refried beans, apple crisp and milk.

WEDNESDAY-Chopped BBQ beef, potato salad, baked beans, apricots and milk.

THURSDAY-Fish, oven fries, apple coleslaw, hushpuppies, strawberry shortcake and milk.

FRIDAY-Chef salad, ham, egg, cheese, baked potato, banana pudding and milk.

# COUNTY WATER

Agenda items to be addressed at this meeting include:

Credentials Committee Report, Election of 3 directors for 3 year terms, Report by Board President, Operations Report-Operater/ Office manager, C.P.A. Auditor Report, Engineer's Report on proposed line extension, T.R.W.A. minual meeting kepolt, Awards Presentations.

A meal will be served to members and one guest from 6:15 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. prior to the annual meeting. Please R.S.V.P. 893-

# Windbreak trees have arrived

The Callahan Divide Soil & Water Congruation District has received their lotment of Windbreak Trees from the Texas Forest Service. Thes trees are offered to the general Ablic on a first come first serve basisat a very inexpensive price.

The years selection of available trees include four varieties of evergrees. They are Afghanistan Pine, Pinyl Pine, Eastern Red cedar and a Austrian Pine. These Evergree Seedlings are being offered for \$50 each or \$70.00 for a box

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Formore information on planning anting and maintenance of ak trees of how to purchas hese low cost seedlings contact " Natural Resource Conserervice office in Baird, Texas ) 854-1349. The office in Baird located at 141 W. 4th-Suite

All vices of the National Resoure Conservation Service and the Alahan Divide Soil & Water Constration District are available to afone without regard to race, cree color, sex, handicap or na**3-Cross Plains Review** March 16, 2000

#### **Pioneer News**

By: Pioneer Quilting Club

Attention: To those people in the Pioneer area who are interested in water, it is time to get our deposit money in to Westbound Water Coop. It is important that we get the money in as soon as possible.

The Quilting Club is busy as usual. have finished the "Handkerchief" quilt. It is so beautiful. We are busy working on Frankic's and Earlene's hostess quilts. We were happy to have Juanita Harlow quilting with us. We are sorry that some of our members are under the weather. We miss you!

The quilting ladies want to thank those who have donated money to help us with our water deposit. It sure has come in handy. We are also planning to rewire our Community Center. If anyone would like to donate toward that project, it would be appreciated. We are planning to have a "bake sale" at the "Tradesday" in Cross Plains on the 25th of March. Be ready to buy some delicious food. Everyone come on out, you will have a great

Jean Fore is home after having a long stay in the hospital for a hip replacement. She looks great! She has her brother, Paul and Juanita Harlow and her sister, Vi Harlow spending some time with her.

Earlene Burge and Bobby Brown attended a meeting Wednesday night at the church of Christ. Earlene's sister, Katheryn Brown from Fort Worth, visited last Sunday. They attended church and ate out at "Ophelia's". They had a nice visit before she left.

Oliver and Frankie traveled to Putnam Friday night to the musical.

Saturday, they traveled to Ranger to see Frankie's sister, Dorthy Rogers. Saturday night they went to the opening of the Rowden Baptist Mission. A gospel music program was presented. It was a very good program. Carl Mauldin is the pastor. Laverne Hutton enjoyed a visit with Lester and Jewel Linney recently. Thursday, friends of Cowan and Laverne's from Portales, New Mexico spent the night with them. They are Dudly and Pat Cash who were on their way to South Texas. Cowan and Laverne have a new great-granddaughter named Lauren Jewel. Her parents are Tabitha and Michael Jordan. The

Sandy Hutton. Wanda and Don Nelson visited Glenda Phillips Saturday afternoon. Glenda went with Janice and children to Gorman Friday night to watch Kali at the track meet. Allen was drilling and not able to be there. Krista plays her last PeeWee game Thursday night.

proud grandparents are J.D. and

A birthday celebration for Olena Ezzell took place Saturday night the 26th at Cook's Fish Barn. Those present were Benny and Cal Ezzell of Owens, Anna Ezzell of Rising Star, J.R. Morrow of Rising Star, Doc and Janet Murphree and Scott, Sidney, Linda Ezzell of Hewitt, Becky Murphree of Stephenville, Mike and Tami and children from Mineral Wells. Cook's singers sang Happy Birthday and presented Olena with a funnell cake. Everyone had a great time.

Word of Wisdom #23: The person that does things that count doesn't usually stop to count them.

# Local couple's granddaughter wins golf tourney at R.S.

Mandee Westerman was 1st place medalist with an 89 score at Rolling Oaks Golf Meet on Tuesday, February 29. She is a junior at Rising Star High School and the

daughter of Gary and Betty Westerman of Rising Star and the granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Nocl King of Cross Plains.

#### **OFFICE SUPPLIES** AT THE CROSS PLAINS REVIEW



**Burglary of Habitation** 

On Thursday, March 9, 2000, between the hours of 7 a.m. and 3 p.m., person or persons entered a residence located at 19760 CR 405, Cross Plains. Upon inspection several items were missing.

1.) Black 19" Magnavox color television

2.) Black Magnavox VCR

3.) Nintendo 64 w/James Bond 007 game

If you or anyone has information leading to the arrest or indictment of person or persons, please call Cross Plains Crimestoppers at (254) 725-7456.

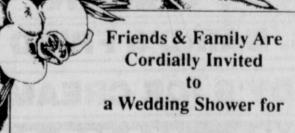


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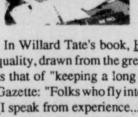
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Chandra Heath & Brian Dosier Sunday, March 19, 2000 2:00 to 3:30 p.m.

At the home of Connie Kirkham FM 2707, Cross Plains

Selections at Higginbothams in Cross Plains Target Stores and Dillards in Abilene



# BREAKTHRU

# By Bob Pipes, preacher

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**Cross Plains Church of Christ** 433 N. Main At 12th (254) 725-6117

In Willard Tate's book, Habits of a Loving Heart, his sixth "Habit" or quality, drawn from the great "love chapter of the Bible," I Corinthians 13, is that of "keeping a long fuse." He quotes as follows from the Globe Gazette: "Folks who fly into a rage always make a bad landing." How true! (I speak from experience...)

Paul actually stated the quality thusly: "(Love) is not provoked," verse 5 -- or, as another translation puts it, "is not easily angered." Perhaps your test in regard to this is how you act or react to heavy traffic -- or to that person who cuts you off as you are making your mad dash home from work. One person who decided to just take it slower and easier, relaxing and not being so competitive, found that it took him a whole two minutes longer to get home -- but the difference in his attitude and his actions toward family members was like the difference between night and day!

Perhaps slowing down is one way of lengthening our anger fuse. As we realize the value of not getting angry more and more, we will get angry less and less, slower and slower -- until rarely, if at all. Don't use the excuse, "Well, the Lord got angry!" -- we're not the Lord. And be careful of saying that Paul also said, "Be angry, and do not sin," Ephesians 4:26 -- because he wasn't commanding anger. A few sentences later, he stated, "Get rid of all bitterness, rage and anger," verse 31.

The bottom line is that anger is unhealthy and ungodly. Controlling anger is Christlike -- and one of the good "habits" or qualities of a loving heart. As Mr. Tate summarizes it so well: "Let's give the greatest gift we can to our families, to our spouses and children, as well as our co-workers, neighbors and fellow church members. Let's stay cool, don't be easily ruffled, and get a long fuse. Let's learn to control our anger rather than letting it control us."

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

# Student Review

## High School Girls Track Team Finished in 3rd Place

By COACH MIKE CAVENDER

We held our combination high school and junior high meet this last weekend at Cross Plains. The Lady Buffs are trying to recover from the injury bug and being spring break we have several gone on vacations. We have been short handed here lately and I've been extremely proud of how the kids have stepped in to fill in for the kids who are out due to injury. We finished 3rd in team totals with 83 points. Winner was Eula with 116 points.

Discus - Francy 2nd, 110' 4" and Wilson 3rd 102' 9"

Shot put - Wilson 1st, 34' 1" and Francy 2nd, 33' 8"

Triple jump - Wyatt 4th, 31' 1 1/4"
Running events:
100 dash - Lewis 1st, 13.32

100 hurdles - Richey 1st, 16.09 800 relay - Payne, Lewis, Swift and Marion, 1:58.97

300 hurdles - Richey 1st, 16.09 200 dash - Payne 5th, 29.48 Mile run - Bennett 6th, 6:24.14 Mile relay - Cook, Lewis, Swift and Richey 6th, 4:42.79

Also competing was Chesshir, Rivard and Nixon.

# Cross Plains Track Results

The track meet was held at Cross Plains on Saturday. The results are as follows:

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Team Total: 70 1/2

Discus - J. Wooten 5th, 91' 9 1/2" High jump - D. Dixon 5th, 4' 10" Long jump - Jose Mauricio 6th, 14'

Triple jump - Ryan Mack 4th, 29' 10 1/2" and Marcus Williams 6th, 28' 3 3/4"

Pole vault - B. Phillips 4th, 7' 0" 2400 run - Bennett 3rd, 9:06.11 400 relay - Cross Plains 2nd, 52.20 800 dash - Dimitri 6th, 2:51.26 110 hurdles - D. Dickson 5th,

100 dash - Cody Harris 3rd, 13.17 400 dash - Mauricio 4th, 1:01.58 and C. Harris 5th, 1:03.13

300 hurdles - D. Dickson 5th, 52.71

1600 run - Bennett 3rd, 5:45.43 1600 relay - Cross Plains 3rd, 4:20.58

Jr. high girls

Team Total: 109
Discus - L. Johnson 6th, 55' 5"
High jump - B. Dillard 2nd, 4' 4"
and K. Mosier 4th, 4' 2"

Long jump - B. Dillard 5th, 13'3 3/

4"
2400 run - S. Hyles 2nd, 10:06.67
and M. Felty 4th, 11:01.94
400 relay - Cross Plains 2nd, 57:08
800 dash - Hyles 2nd, 2:53.00
800 relay - Cross Plains 1st,

2:02.06 200 dash - A. Rivard 4th, 31.98 and Foster 5th, 32.15

1600 run - S. Hyles 2nd, 6:27.61 and C. Hyles 3rd, 6:30.66 1600 relay - Cross Plains 4th,

4:55.52 High school boys

Discus - Roger Carey 2nd, 122'4"
High jump - Chris Kitchens 1st, 6'
5" and Brandon Mahler 5th, 5'6"
Shot put - Roger Carey 4th, 36'6"
Triple jump - Chris Kitchens 1st,
42'53/4" and B. Mahler 6th, 37'9 1/
2"

Pole vault - B. Mahler 1st, 12' and C. Phillips 4th, 10'

800 dash - N. Dimitri 2nd, 2:08.79 110 hurdles - Chris Kitchens 2nd, 16.23 and B. Mahler 6th, 19.82 300 hurdles - Chris Kitchens 1st, 40.47

1600 relay - Cross Plains 2nd, 3:44 53

## GIRLS AND BOYS GOLF RESULTS NOTED

By COACH MIKE CAVENDER

On Monday and Tuesday the girls and boys golf teams participated in the Panther Creek Tournaments held at Eden Golf Course.

On Monday, playing as individual medalists, Cassie Ratliff shot a 119 and Toni Mae Wyatt shot a 130. Both girls reduced their scores from the previous week by 10 to 12 shots.

On Tuesday the boys team of James Ross 86, Coby Richards 89, Shane Sharp 98, Jaden Winfrey 92 and Jacob Farrow 102 competed as a team compiling a score of 365, 13 strokes better than the previous week. Brian Mahler competed as a medalist and shot a 122.

The weather conditions were very tough both days with cold weather and extremely high winds.

# Board of Trustees to Meet Monday, March 20th

A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Cross Plains Independent School District will be held on Monday, March 20, beginning at 7:00 p.m. in the High School Administrative Board Room. The subjects to be discussed or considered or upon which any formal action may be taken are as

follows: PRAYER

1. MINUTES

2. OPEN FORUM
3. DISCUSS & TAKE ACTION
ON TABLED ITEM - TAPE

RECORDING MONTHLY
SCHOOL BOARD MEETINGS
4. JC-0169 ATTORNEY

GENERAL'S OPINION ON OPEN FORUM ITEMS 5. POLICY REVIEW SEMINAR

6. ADVERTISING DISTRICT SITE-BASE MEETINGS IN LOCAL NEWSPAPER

7. DISCUSS & TAKE ACTION ON TABLED ITEM - PROPOSED DRESS CODE CHANGE

8. ADOPTION TEXTBOOKS

9. ELECT MEMBERS TO BOARD OF DIRECTORS REGION XIV SERVICE CENTER 10. CHEERLEADER RULES AND DISCUSS MASCOT

11. SET DATE TO CAVASS LOCAL BOARD ELECTION

12. EXECUTIVE SESSION (IF NEEDED)

13. ACTION TO FOLLOW EXECUTIVE SESSION (IF NEEDED)

14. PERSONNEL

A. Consider approval of teacher contracts for 2000/2001 school year B. Other personnel, as

15. FINANCIAL REPORT/PAY
BILLS

16. ADJOURN

If, during the course of the meeting, any discussion of any item on the agenda should be held in a closed meeting, the Board will convene in such closed meeting in accordance with the Open Meetings Act, Chapter 551, Government Code. Before any such meeting is convened, the presiding officer will publicly identify the section or sections of the Act authorizing the closed meeting. All final votes, actions, or decisions will be taken in open meeting.

This notice was posted in compliance with the Open Meetings Act on March 10, 2000.

Jackie Tennison
For the Board of Trustees

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# MOTION

By RON MCCOWEN

Three athletic events have been covered in the past two weeks... Cross Plains vs Santa Anna in a baseball match-up, tennis games in Santa Anna and Cross Plains track and field events. Ageless images have been created on film.

The athletes in participation are forever subdued in their actions. All have contributed to the passion of the sports that they were involved.

Cloning, unfortunately, was not an ability that evolved to my hand. Many were not captured in the spirit of their event. But for those who were, their images will be positioned for you at Mac's Trading Post, across from Skinny's, from 4:00 p.m. thru 6:00 p.m. on Friday, March 17. Parents, grandparents and all involved in supporting these athletes are encouraged to attend. Memories will remain. \$1.50 per image will be imposed to cover expenses incurred. SEE YOU THERE!!!!!

# SCHOOL MENU

MARCH 20-MARCH 26

BREAKFAST
MONDAY—Muffins, assorted juice and milk.

TUESDAY—Waffle, sausage, assorted juice and milk.
WEDNESDAY—Eggs, biscuit, bacon, assorted juice and milk.

THURSDAY—Cereal, toast, assorted juice and milk.
FRIDAY—Cinnamon rolls,

assorted juice and milk.

LUNCH

MONDAY—Corn dogs, potato wedges, pickle spears, cake w/ frostinge and milk.

TUESDAY-Chicken strips w/

gravy, creamed potatoes, green beans, rolls, honey and milk. WEDNESDAY—Grilled cheese,

vegetable-beef soup, crackers, neaches and milk

THURSDAY—Lasagna, broccoli, garlic sticks, pears and milk.
FRIDAY—Hamburger, lettuce, tomato, pickles, fries, cookie and milk.



TABITHA CLARK RETURNS A HIGH BALL FROM HER OPPOSITION (Tennis and track photos courtesy of Ron McCowen.)



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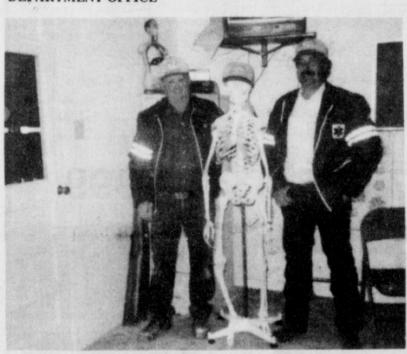
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# **Area Athlete Named To** 2000 All-Star Game

ABILENE-Nathan Lowe of Rising Star High School has been chosen to play in the inaugural Big Country All-Star Football Classic to be held Saturday, June 3, in Abilene's Shotwell Stadium.

Son of Ray and Ramona Lowe and grandson of Bill and Charlsie Richardson, of Cross Plains, he was one of 70 area athletes selected for the first annual game, which benefits the Big Country Chapter of the Fellowship of Christian Athletes. Representing 38 area schools, the rosters for the North and South squads were announced at a press conference Saturday at the Ramada Inn in Abilene.

About 100 players were nominated by their head coaches for the game, which features schools from an approximate 75-mile radius of Abilene. The teams were chosen by a selection committee made up of the eight all-star coaches, former McMurry College coach Wilford Moore, retired Abilene Reporter-News sportswriter Bill Hart and radio sportscaster Jimmy Pogue.

The North team will be coached by Steve Warren of Abilene High and assistants Hank Dowell of Sweetwater, Denny Faith of Albany and Gerald James of Colorado City. Hugh Sandifer of Abilene Wylic will be the head coach for the South, along with assistants Steve Freeman of Brownwood, Randy Quisenberry of Abilene Cooper and Danny Slaughter of Ballinger.

Players from Class 5A through Class A - in addition to two players from Abilene Christian High School, a private six-man program make up the team. By classification, the two 35-man squads break down like this: 8 from 5A, 12 from 4A, 17 from 3A, 14 from 2A, 17 from A, plus the two players from ACHS. Sixteen additional players were selected as alternates and will participate if a roster spot becomes available due to injury or other



NATHAN LOWE

circumstances.

All proceeds generated from the game will benefit the Big Country chapter of the FCA. The Big Country All-Star Association is a newly formed non-profit organization. Major sponsors for the event are Dr Pepper and Lawrence Hall Chevrolet. Other key sponsors include Abilene Diagnostic Clinic, Athletic Supply, Big Country Athletics, Fastsigns, First National Bank of Abilene, Harv-al Athletic Manufacturing, HealthSouth, KTAB-TV, Ramada Inn of Abilene, Riddell and West Texas Utilities.

The game will be televised and shown on tape delay by KTAB-TV of Abilene. A live radio broadcast will be produced in Abilene by KWKC 1340 AM and will be heard throughout the area on the Big Country All-Star Classic Radio Network.

Hall of Fame coach Gordon Wood of Brownwood has agreed to be on hand to present two awards - named the Gordon Wood Most Valuable Player Awards - honoring the top players in the game.

For more information, contact Phil Ashby at 915-676-0519 or e-mail at pashby@swconnect.net.

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TOP FOUR APPLICANTS HONORED—The Cross Plains Kiwanis Club had the top four applicants to the High School Sophomore of the Year 2000 as guests at their March 7th meeting. Left to right are Melanie Chesshir, Shena Thomas, Angela Swift and Erin Stephens. The Kiwanis Club has opened a \$100 scholarship account for the winner of this club's entrant, Shena Thomas. All four of the entrants' applications were very good and deserving; they were four of 21 who applied! The club expresses appreciation to the high school principal, Leonard Wilson, and others who helped encourage the sophomores to apply. The mothers of each of these four young ladies were present at the meeting, as well as the Lt. Gov. of Kiwanis Division 36, Marvin Stewart (right, top picture).

The Kiwanis Club meets each Tuesday at noon at Jean's Feed Barn (East Room), with everyone welcome to join in good fellowhsip and good programs. Membership inquiries can be made to the club president or any other of the officers or members. Come visit a meeting and see if you would be interested in being a part of Kiwanis!

The club's annual Pancake Supper will be at the High School Cafeteria on Thursday, March 23, 5-7 p.m.



PREPARING FOR THE PANCAKE SUPPER - Roy Stambaugh, Chairman (from left), Ray Womack, Director of Food Services, and

# OPEN HOUSE

ambulance. They were acquired at the cost of \$5,000 each, with the help of a grant and fund-raisers. James Nichols was the first person they used the defibrillator on and they contributed to saving his life.

If you were not familiar with the wonderful service both agencies provide, a brief tour made you realize the personal time and dedication each volunteer gives.

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only volunteer emergency medical services in our area -- the others are all paid services.

There are still many volunteer fire departments, but we are fortunate to have one with so many caring individuals.

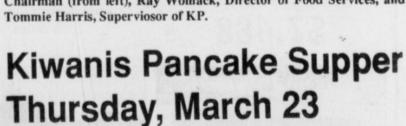
Both volunteer groups may be called into action by neighboring counties, Brown, Coleman, or Eastland, as personnel are available. They serve approximately 5,000 people which includes a 25 square mile and four major highways.

The facility looks great with clean white walls and everything organized and in its place -- waiting for action.

There is still a need for a washer and dryer, new rotating siren and central air and heat in the meeting and education room. Donations for these projects would be greatly appreciated.

Once again, Cross Plains is marching progressively into the future with the efforts of caring citizens.

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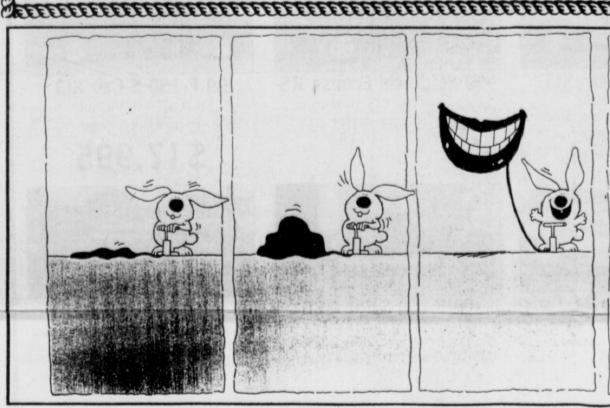
By DONNEL CLARK

The Kiwanis Annual Pancake Supper is scheduled for Thursday, March 23, at the Cross Plains School Cafeteria. As usual, the menu will consist of delicious home recipe pancakes with syrup, butter, lockerplant sausage, coffee and tea served from 5 to 7 p.m.

Cost of the all-you-can-eat meal is \$3.00 per person, except for young children who will be admitted free.

Proceeds from this event are used to support community needs; such as eye glasses, school supplies and special recognition for our local students.

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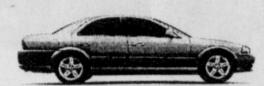
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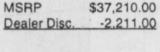
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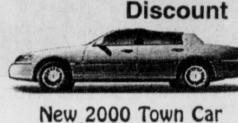
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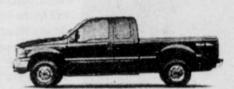
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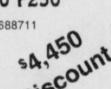
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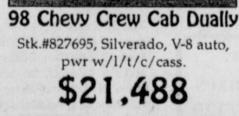
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"I'm just brushing my teeth. I'll be leaving here at about..." Peanut cut in, reporting to her sisters at full voice, "She's brushing her teeth. She'll be here in an hour!"

I heard groans and whining. "Tell her to hurry," Punkin said.

"It won't take me an hour, darlings, I'll be there in about 20 minutes," I explained.

"We KNOW you, Gramma!" "No, really...

Sweet Pea got on the phone. "Gramma, even without seeing you, we know what you're doing.

I hung my head. Guilty It's like this. Getting ready to leave the house is like a juggling act. But, no applause. Just, "C'mon, Gramma. Hurry. You can do that when you get back!"

It seems the phone always rings right before I leave. Then I toss the laundry from the washer to the dryer. I'll be that much further ahead if I can get the dishes into the cupboard real quick. Pansy Puppy stares at me pointedly to get my attention. Their water dish is empty. Oh, and | forgot. Get meat out of the freezer to thaw for dinner tomorrow

Now, out the door.

Ooops! Turn down the heat, first. Check the doors. TV off. Dogs outside. These things are always left to me, even if there's six people around saying "hurry up." They sit in the car, honking.

My glasses! Where are my glasses?! I run up and down the hall three times looking in the places I

leave them. They aren't there! But they are - under a newspaper the third time I check. Gremlins put them there.

Then I'm in the car. But my keys aren't. I fish around in my purse, then run back into the house to get them. I'm backing out of the driveway when I remember the jacket to this outfit is still hanging in the bathroom. A couple steps out of the car, I see the goats' water bucket is tipped over, so I rush to fill it, dodging the goats who want to maul me. I'm cramming my arms into the jacket sleeves, and don't even break pace to grab a quick glass of water as I gallop through the kitchen.

On my way out the door for the umpteenth time, I look at the sky. Looks like rain. Maybe I should let Gretchen stay inside. This dog hates thunder and lightning even more than I do.

That means I have to close the bedroom door so she won't bounce across the bed while racing from one end of the house to the other. dozens of times, while we pull into the driveway, park the car, and open the kitchen door to her exuberant leaps. I also need to cover the couch and move the plant that gets upended every time she noses the venetian blinds aside to see what's going on outside.

And I must set the phone up high and prop the cord out of the way so she won't chew it to bits in her frenzied effort to stop its ringing. At last, I'm halfway out the door. The phone rings the second the latch clicks. I don't answer it.

If I rummaged in my purse and found my house key and ran to grab the phone, it would be them. saying, "Gramma, it's been an hour! Hurry!"

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# Letter To The Editor

Dear Editor:

Census 2000 will be the first census of the new century, and the data produced will be used for the next decade. We must all pull together in a dedicated civic commitment to ensure a complete and accurate count in our community for a number of important reasons.

The census is the cornerstone of knowledge about our nation and our community. Our responses provide the means to ensure that those populations identified in legislation and other public policies at the federal, state and local levels have an opportunity to be fully served by various programs and initiatives. Census numbers also are used to decide how many seats in the U.S. House of Representatives go to each state and are used by state and local governments to define voting

Just as important, Census 2000. is about civic renewal and civic pride. It unites members of our community for a renewal of civic commitment and can serve as a rallying point for all of us to do something that helps ourselves, our families, our community and our nation. Furthermore, the census offers us the opportunitý to demonstrate pride in our culture and in our contributions to this society.

We all can be certain that the information we provide is held in the strictest confidence. Federal law (Title 13 U.S. Code) protects the confidentiality of the information collected by the U.S. Census Bureau. Individual responses cannot be shared with agencies or organizations at the federal, state or local levels and are held confidential for 72 years.

Despite the importance of the census and the protection afforded the data, during the past few decades, the number of people who have completed and mailed back their census forms has been declining steadily. The national mail response rate has dropped from 78 percent in 1970 to 75 percent in 1980 to 65 percent in

To reverse this trend of declining participation, elected leaders from around the country have joined the U.S. Census Bureau and its more than 50,000 community, corporate and congressional partners to issue the '90 Plus Five challenge as part of a national campaign-How America Knows What America Needs.

What is the '90 Plus Five Challenge? '90 Plus Five is the Census Bureau's Challenge to your county judge, mayor, governor and other elected officials to increase your community's mail response rate

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Phil Gramm, U.S. Senator, Room 370, Russell Building, Washington, D.C. 20510-4302.

Kay Railey Hutchison, U.S. Senator, Room 703 Hart Building, Washington, D.C. 20510-4301.

by at least tive percentage points

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Cases Investigated Warnings-74 Complaints-74

There were three vehicle accidents investigated during this time

> People Arrested On **Outstanding Warrants**

There were 10 outstanding warrants issued for a total of \$2,895.00 collected.

community.

Sincerely,

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Vehicle Accidents

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we can bring the country and our county together in a renewal of civic commitment. Let's get involved. Let's pull together for the good of our county and our future. Let's not leave it blank.

Roger Corn County Judge Callahan County

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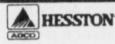
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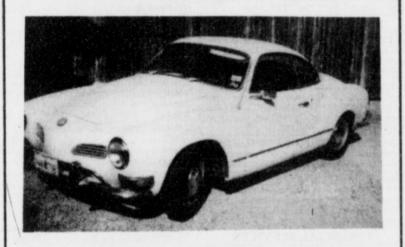
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received significant precipitation from the passage of the cold front across the state late last week. Drought comparisons between 1996, a year that the state experienced a severe and devastating wildfire outbreak, and this year reveal that most areas of the state are experiencing equal or greater

drought conditions this year. Texas will likely see a return to a drier and warmer weather pattern more typical of a La Nina, according to Tom Spencer, fire risk assessment coordinator with the Texas Forest Service in Huntsville. He noted that climatologists from the Climate Prediction Center are calling for a strong La Nina event to impact Texas weather into late spring and early summer.

"This forecast is not good news for those areas of the state already experiencing severe drought hazard and extreme fire hazard," declared Spencer. "Those areas with high to extreme fire danger include the Panhandle, South Plains, Concho Valley, Permian Basin and Far West Texas, as well as portions of South Texas.

The fire risk coordinator observed that some green-up of grass is underway in areas that benefited from the recent rains. He added, though, that if additional significant precipitation isn't received. the vegetation green-up is not likely to be sustained.

Wildfires have destroyed several structures and threatened many more across the state over the past two weeks. Firefighters attribute many of these fires to people's carelessness with debris burning, smoking materials, spark-producing equipment, and hot vehicle pollution control equipment. Firefighters in the Abilene area believe that falling hot metal from a disintegrating engine on a B-1 military jet caused several grass fires. The wildfires scorched an estimated 180 acres and threatened some structures before being contained by a combination of area fire departments and other local and state equipment and person-

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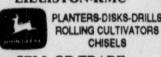
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The bride-elect, daughter of Glenn Heath and the late Penny Heath, graduated from Cross Plains High School. She is employed at Texas Bank in Fort Worth.

The prospective bridegroom, son of Barney and Caroline Dosier of Weatherford, also a graduate of Cross Plains High School, is stationed with the Marines at Pensacola, Florida.

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DENESE LA REE WHITELEY & DAVID WAYNE WATTS

# Whiteley-Watts Announce **Upcoming Marriage**

wedding will be Friday, May 5 at 6:00- School. p.m. in Mineral Wells.

marrying David Wayne Watts.

Frances Whiteley would like to Denese is a 1994 graduate of Cross announce the upcoming wedding of Plains High School and David is a her youngest daughter, Denese. The 1990 graduate of Mineral Wells High

Following the wedding and Denese La Ree Whiteley will be honeymoon, they will reside in Mineral Wells.



# Carouth-McDaniel Wedding

Crystal Carouth, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Rickey Carouth, and Brent McDaniel, son of Mr. and Mrs. Wesley McDaniel, were united in marriage one year ago at 2:00 p.m. on March 6, 1999, at the New Life-Tabernacle United Pentecostal Church in Cisco.

The bride wore a white pointed long sleeve dress with a full skirt and beaded bodice. The groom wore a black tux with a black vest.

The bride's attendants wore royal blue dresses. Serving as matron of honor was Linda Smith, the bride's pastor's wife and maid of honor was ReNetha Carouth, sister of the bride. Bridesmaids were Alissa (Peacock) Glover, cousin of the bride, Katrina Thrasher and Melissa Reighard, sisters of the groom.

Best man was Nathaniel Hurst, friend of the groom. Serving as groomsmen were A.J. Carouth, brother of the bride, Tim Whiseant, Dwayne Dewberry, Dee Stone, all friends of the groom.

Khristi Dewberry sang "I Believe in You and Me"; Kim Stone and Greg Henry sang "I Finally Found Someone" and the groom sang "I Do Cherish You" to his lovely bride.

Ushers were Paul Thrasher and Kevin Reighard, brothers-in-law of the groom. Candlelighter was Tiffany Valentine. Minature bride and groom were Haley Thrasher, niece of the groom, and Austin Thomas, cousin of the bride. Flower girl was Tiffany Lambright, cousin of the bride; Bible bearer was Chad Switzer, friend of the bride, and hostesses were Lisa Bates and Megan Thomas, cousins of the

The wedding was performed by Rev. Dan Smith, pastor of the bride, and Rev. Nathan Hurst, pastor of the

The church was decorated in pink, royal blue and white with the columns decorated in greenery and candlelight arranged beautifully by Tim Dillard of Tim's Floral in Cross Plains.

After the wedding, the bride and groom were escorted to the reception at the Best Western in Cisco on a trailer pulled by a popping johnny tractor driven by Brent Key, cousin of the bride. This was a big surprise to the couple because they had been told it was a limo and would take them anywhere they wanted to go.

The bride's cake was three-tiered decorated with white roses and blue bonnets in memory of the bride's great-grandmother, Fay Chambers. Marlene Sanders, maternal grandmother, made and decorated the bride's cake. The groom's cake, a German chocolate, was made by Martha Carouth, the bride's paternal grandmother, and decorated by Marlene Sanders with grapes and strawberries.

Texarkana, Arkansas. The groom is employed at Cooper Tire and the bride at Collom and Carney Clinic. Happy anniversary Crystal and

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Crowley-Ricci United in Marriage on February 26th

MR. AND MRS. SCOTT RICCI

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Friends and family joined in the celebration as Audrey Ann Crowley and Scott Paul Ricci exchanged wedding vows on February 26, 2000. The ceremony took place at the Avondale Baptist Church in Sweetwater at 2:00 p.m.

The bride is the daughter of Aubrey and and Pam Crowley of Sweetwater and Ron and Connic Ricci of Cross Plains.

The bride wore a sleeveless gown of white bridal satin with a fitted bodice of beaded lace and a scalloped skirt with beaded appliques. Her ensemble was completed with a fingertip veil of illusion tulle, satin opera gloves and a nosegay bouquet of roses, lillies, daisies and a floral assortment.

The bride's attendants wore sleeveless gowns of hunter green Windsor satin. Matching satin 3/4 length gloves and a long-stemmed floral bouquet completed their

The groom wore a black tuxedo

with tails, hunter green vest and matching bow tie. The best manwore navy dress whites, complete ceremonial Groomsmen wore tuxedos, hunter green vests and matching bow ties. All wore red rose boutonnieres.

A reception was held after the ceremony. Adorning the gift table was a heart-shaped collage of pictures celebrating the couple's year of engagement. A beautiful swirl-tiered Italian cream cheese cake was the centerpiece of the brides' table. Each tier of the cake contained a fresh floral bouquet, except the top tier, which contained a blown glass heart with a cross and double wedding rings, which the couple had specially designed for the wedding.

After a honeymoon to Fredricksburg, the couple will reside in Sweetwater where the groom is a student at TSTC and the bride is an assistant manager of Eckerds.

# Mr. and Mrs. Albert Lee to The couple are residing in Celebrate 55th Anniversary

Albert and Ruby Lee of Cross Plains were married fifty-five years ago on March 17, 1945, in Topcka,

From this union four girls and six

boys were born. Congratulations to this couple for such a wonderful accomplishment

and have a great day!

# **County Commissioners Approve Funds** For Improving Local Radio Reception

Callahan County Commissioners approved renewal of the countywide burn ban during the commissioners' court meeting Monday, March 13 at the County Courthouse in Baird.

Commissioners must renew the county's burn ban every 90 days. On a motion by Charlie Grider and second by Bryan Farmer, commissioners voted 5-0 to renew the county's burn ban another 90 days or until cancelled by the commissioners at an earlier date.

Other agenda items brought before the county commissioners included:

-Commissioners reviewed and signed the commissioners' court meeting minutes from February.

-Commissioners received no public comment for discussion or -County Sheriff Eddie Curtis

presented the regular monthly report and jail inspection report to the commissioners' court. Sheriff · Curtis also presented a request for additional radio tower equipment to cover the Cross Plains area.

Curtis reported his department is having trouble with radio reception in the Cross Plains area. Commissioners were told the total cost to improve radio reception to Cross Plains would be \$2,500. On a motion by Tommy Holland and second by Farmer, commissioners voted 5-0 to spend up to half the total cost to improve radio reception to Cross Plains and to request the City of Cross Plains pay the

remaining half of the total cost of repairs.

On a motion by Farmer and second by Holland, commissioners also voted 5-0 to allow some ham radio operators to place radio equipment on the county's tower as long as the equipment is placed lower than the county's equipment on the tower and the equipment repairs doesn't cost the county anything.

-On a motion by Roger Corn and second by Grider, commissioners voted 5-0 to approve a resolution proclaiming Poison Prevention Week on March 19-25 and to affirm commitment to the safety and well being of the county's con-

-On a motion by Holland and second by Harold Hicks, commissioners voted 5-0 to approve a resolution to authorize a grant request for extraordinary cost of investigating and prosecuting a Capital Murder case. The application for a grant seeks \$57,870.89 which the county has incurred from October 1998 to September 1999 to prosecute the Ted Saunders murder trial.

-Commissioners took no action concerning the revision of the commissioners' precinct lateral

-On a motion by Hicks and second by Grider, commissioners voted 5-0 to amend the District Clerk's budget by \$2,000 through the end of the fiscal year, for parttime help in the District Clerk's

-On a motion by Grider and second by Holland, commissioners voted 5-0 to approve an optional service request for the County Indigent Health Care Program. The optional service requests rule changes will take effect April 1. The optional requests include: Advance Practice Nursing, Ambulatory Surgical Centers, Certified Registered Nurse/Anesthetists; Diabetic Supplies, Physician Assistants, and Restrictive Dental

-On a motion by Farmer and second by Holland, commissioners voted to pay all approved bills.

-On a motion by Hicks and second by Farmer, commissioners voted to adjourn the commissioners' court meeting.

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