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"Roman Style Riding?"

By VANDA ANDERSON-CREECH  
Editor

My Daddy provided me with plenty material to write about, and those who remember him know what a character he was. Here is another of his escapades.

He loved horses and usually had one or two all the time. Mother told me this story about the day he decided he could ride Roman style—two horses with a leg on each, balancing in the middle.

Well, he did one smart thing. He planned to give it the first trial run in the freshly plowed garden—perhaps a softer landing?

It took him a while to rig up the reins, but he had it all planned out. However, the horses he chose were two young colts he had just broke. Bad choice, but all he had available!

Mother said he managed to get mounted and everything was going well, until he got about half way down the garden. At this point one colt went one way and the second the other. You know where that left Daddy!

He hit the ground on both feet so hard that it broke the instep in a new pair of Mexican boots.

He provided the entertainment, as all the Atwood girls watched and laughed. They said he could hardly walk for a couple of days.

This incident ended his Roman style riding, but nothing ever whetted his sense of adventure. Mother says, "No wonder I was a nervous wreck around horses." She has always been afraid of them. After all Daddy's mishaps I guess she had good reason.

## Pre-Kindergarten & Kindergarten Registration Wednesday, April 5

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, 2000. 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, 2000, 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 Wednesday, April 5th 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.

Immunization 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 on/after 1st birthday

Please bring the 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 ninos que cualifiquen para tal servicio. Para poder ser elegible para este programa, un estudiante debe tener al menos cuatro anos de

See REGISTRATION page 4

## Ballot positions announced for local elections

Candidates vying for 3-year terms in the Cross Plains I.S.D. Board of Trustees election will appear in the following order on the ballot:

1. Tony Wyatt
  2. Trish Hopkins
  3. Andy Anderson
  4. Donnie Dillard.
- Terry Nixon is the only candidate seeking the remaining 1-year term of the late Leon Nixon.

Ballot positions for the 2-year terms in the City of Cross Plains election will be:

- MAYOR  
1. Ray Purvis  
2. Gene Dillard.

- COUNCILMEN  
1. Jerry Cassle  
2. Ray Womack  
3. Dean Dillard.

Early Voting will begin April 19 and continue through May 2. Ballots may be cast for both the city and school election at the City Hall during their regular office hours, Monday through Friday.

The general election will be held Saturday, May 6, at the Cross Plains Community Center.

## CPRC Turkey Creek Bull Riding Showdown Set For April 15

There will be an official PBR (Professional Bull Riding) jacket raffled off this year in conjunction with the Cross Plains Roping Club Turkey Creek Bull Riding Showdown. The jacket was donated by Rolan Jones Real Estate and the proceeds will benefit the local roping club.

This very special jacket may be viewed at the Citizens State Bank and other locations around town until the event. Tickets may be purchased from roping club members and at local businesses for \$2.00 each or three for \$5.00.

This year's event includes an Open Barrel Racing beginning at 1:00

p.m., with the Cook-off taking place all day (judging at 3:00 p.m.). The Open Bull Riding starts at 6:00 p.m. followed by the Senior Pro Bull Riding. For entries or additional information contact Frankie Hyles (254) 725-7285.

Last, but not least, there will be a dance from 9:00 p.m. until 1:00 a.m. featuring Double Shot.

Admission to the barrel racing and bull riding is \$3.00 for adults and \$1.00 for children 12 and under. Dance admission will be \$5.00 per person.

We hope to see ya'll there!

Submitted by Frankie Hyles

## Texas Midwest Community Network Luncheons Feature Legislative Needs

Texas Midwest Community Network announces a series of network luncheons in April. Locations include Dublin (April 5), Albany (April 6), Ballinger (April 12), Tye (April 13) and Aspermont (April 20). All luncheons begin at 11:30 and reservations need to be made at least 2 days prior to the event.

The topic to be presented at each luncheon is "Legislative Session 2001". Issues and needs of the region and of individual communities will be identified and TMCN officers will give information about how the region plans to gain attention from state-wide legislators.

Network luncheons re designed to bring community volunteers from neighboring cities together for information and sharing ideas. Chamber of commerce, economic development, city officials, county officials and civic volunteers are encouraged to attend.

Reservations can be made by calling these respective numbers:  
Dublin (254) 445-3331  
Albany (915) 762-2525  
Ballinger (915) 365-2333  
Tye (915) 695-8253  
Aspermont (940) 989-3197.

## Bill Young appointed County Constable in Cross Plains

Callahan County Commissioners voted to appoint Bill Young to fill the Precinct #4 County Constable position in Cross Plains during the commissioners' court regular monthly meeting Monday, March 27.

Young, who won the March 14 Democratic Party Primary Election for the place of County Constable in Precinct #4, was appointed to fill the vacancy of the County Constable in Cross Plains from now until he receives his oath of office in January 2001.

On a motion by Tommy Holland and second by Charlie Grider, commissioners voted unanimously to appoint Young as the Constable for Precinct #4.

Other agenda items addressed by county commissioners Monday included:

—County commissioners voted to approve the annual independent audit from Storey & Stovall. Judge Roger Corn reported Sherry Armstrong of Storey & Stovall gave Callahan County a "clean audit." Commissioners accepted the audit on a motion by Bryan Farmer and second by Holland.

—Commissioners approved a proclamation proclaiming the month of April 2000 as Child Abuse Prevention Month in Callahan County. The motion to approve the proclamation was made by Judge Corn and seconded by Harold Hicks.

—Granville Griffith was appointed to the Callahan County Child Protective Service Board on a motion by Grider and second by Judge Corn.

—Commissioners voted to waive

## Co. Democratic Convention Sat., April 1 in Baird

Callahan County Democrats will hold their Democratic County Convention this Saturday, April 1 beginning at 10:00 a.m. in the County Courtroom at the County Courthouse in Baird.

Democratic Party County Chairman Jon Hardwick reports the main item on this year's county convention is to elect four delegates to the State Democratic Convention slated for June 9 and 10 in Fort Worth.

Hardwick said Callahan County's four delegates to the state convention is determined by the number of voters who voted for the Democratic nominee for governor in the November 1998 General Election.

Hardwick also reports the delegates from the county precincts will also hold a meeting during the County Democratic Convention Saturday.

## Girls Softball Meeting Thurs., March 30

There will be a girls softball meeting tonight (March 30) at the Dairy Queen at 6:30 p.m.

Parents of all girls 14 years of age and under who would like to play softball this year are urged to attend this meeting. Among items to be discussed will be the cost, teams, and coaches.

If you are unable to attend this meeting or have any questions please call Debi Bennett at (254) 725-4099 no later than Friday morning.

## Band Boosters To Meet Monday

The Band Boosters will be having their monthly meeting at the Band Hall on Monday, April 3 at 6:00 p.m. All members are urged to attend.

the branch early voting locations in Clyde and Cross Plains for the April 3-7 Democratic and Republican Party Primary Runoff Elections. The only early voting runoff election location is Room 107 at the County Courthouse in Baird. The motion to waive the branch voting locations was made by Farmer and seconded by Hicks.

—County commissioners voted to increase the travel mileage reimbursements for county employees from 25 cents to 30 cents per mile. The increase was warranted due to the increased gasoline cost. The motion to increase the travel mileage reimbursement was made by Grider and seconded by Holland. Judge Corn said the commissioners would reconsider lowering the mileage reimbursement again if gas prices drop. County employees on occasion are reimbursed for mileage to attend workshops and conventions.

—On a motion by Grider and second by Holland, commissioners voted to table closing an abandoned road in the Cottonwood area until the next commissioners' meeting. Judge Corn said two property owners along Cottonwood Street, wrote to commissioners asking the roadway be closed to public traffic. However, a third property owner has yet to give consent to close the road.

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

—On a motion by Hicks and second by Grider, commissioners voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting.

## Early voting for Primary Runoff April 3-7

Early voting for both the Democratic and Republican Primary Runoff Election will be held at the County Courthouse in Baird April 3-7.

There is one contested race to be determined in both the Democratic and Republican parties for the General Election in November. The Democrats are to decide the candidate for U.S. Senate among Charles Gandy and Gene Kelly.

Early voting for both party runoff elections will be held in Room 107 of the County Courthouse in Baird. County Commissioners voted to cancel the early voting locations at Clyde and Cross Plains because of the low voter turnout expected.

The Tuesday, April 11 Democratic Party Runoff election will be held from 7:00 a.m. until 7:00 p.m. at the Baird Activity Center.

## All numbered streets now reflect new street signs

The City Council voted to change the numbered streets in Cross Plains to correspond with the 9-1-1 numbering.

The new street signs are currently in place and residents should begin using their new number as soon as

possible.

All entities such as the 9-1-1, post office, sheriff's office, police department, GTE, etc. have been notified of the changes.

The Cross Plains Review would like to encourage all subscribers

who will be using the new address as their mailing address to contact them with the new information.

Below is a chart explaining the changes which only affected the numbered streets:

ADDRESSES AS FOLLOWS

OLD ADDRESS	NEW ADDRESS
W. 1 <sup>ST</sup> STREET	SW 8 <sup>TH</sup> STREET
W. 2 <sup>ND</sup> STREET	SW 7 <sup>TH</sup> STREET
W. 3 <sup>RD</sup> STREET	SW 6 <sup>TH</sup> STREET
W. 4 <sup>TH</sup> STREET	SW 5 <sup>TH</sup> STREET
E. 4 <sup>TH</sup> STREET	SE 5 <sup>TH</sup> STREET
W. 5 <sup>TH</sup> STREET	SW 4 <sup>TH</sup> STREET
E. 5 <sup>TH</sup> STREET	SE 4 <sup>TH</sup> STREET
W. 6 <sup>TH</sup> STREET	SW 3 <sup>RD</sup> STREET
E. 6 <sup>TH</sup> STREET	SE 3 <sup>RD</sup> STREET
W. 7 <sup>TH</sup> STREET	SW 2 <sup>ND</sup> STREET
E. 7 <sup>TH</sup> STREET	SE 2 <sup>ND</sup> STREET
W. 8 <sup>TH</sup> STREET	SW 1 <sup>ST</sup> STREET or NW 1 <sup>ST</sup> STREET depending on which side of street
E. 8 <sup>TH</sup> STREET	SE 1 <sup>ST</sup> STREET or NE 1 <sup>ST</sup> STREET depending on which side of street
W. 9 <sup>TH</sup> STREET	NW 2 <sup>ND</sup> STREET
E. 9 <sup>TH</sup> STREET	NE 2 <sup>ND</sup> STREET
W. 10 <sup>TH</sup> STREET	NW 3 <sup>RD</sup> STREET
E. 10 <sup>TH</sup> STREET	NE 3 <sup>RD</sup> STREET
W. 11 <sup>TH</sup> STREET	NW 4 <sup>TH</sup> STREET
E. 11 <sup>TH</sup> STREET	NE 4 <sup>TH</sup> STREET
W. 12 <sup>TH</sup> STREET	NW 5 <sup>TH</sup> STREET
E. 12 <sup>TH</sup> STREET	NE 5 <sup>TH</sup> STREET
W. 13 <sup>TH</sup> STREET	NW 6 <sup>TH</sup> STREET
E. 13 <sup>TH</sup> STREET	NE 6 <sup>TH</sup> STREET
W. 14 <sup>TH</sup> STREET	NW 7 <sup>TH</sup> STREET
E. 14 <sup>TH</sup> STREET	NE 7 <sup>TH</sup> STREET
W. 15 <sup>TH</sup> STREET	NW 8 <sup>TH</sup> STREET
E. 15 <sup>TH</sup> STREET	NE 8 <sup>TH</sup> STREET
W. 16 <sup>TH</sup> STREET	NW 9 <sup>TH</sup> STREET
E. 16 <sup>TH</sup> STREET	NE 9 <sup>TH</sup> STREET

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## Courthouse News

### COUNTY COURT Roger Corn, presiding Misdemeanor Filings

William T. Tyree, criminal mischief.  
Nolan Wade, criminal mischief.  
Everett N. Carlton, theft of property by check.  
Danny E. Alexander, driving while intoxicated, (DWI).  
John A. Espitia, DWI.  
Jessie J. Hardy Jr., DWI.  
Jackie L. Isabell, making alcohol available to a minor.

### Misdemeanor Minutes

Nolan Wade, plea of guilty to criminal mischief, 6 month probation, \$200 fine, \$262.25 court costs, \$375 restitution.

William T. Tyree, plea of guilty to criminal mischief, 6 month probation, \$200 fine, \$262.25 court costs, \$375 restitution.

Justin F. Davis, motion to dismiss to theft of service granted.

Patricia L. Hess, motion to dismiss to theft of property by check granted, paid restitution.

### Marriage Licenses

Jody Don Harris and April Dawn Perkins, both of Clyde.

### 42nd DISTRICT COURT John Weeks, presiding

### Civil Filings

Tammy Jo Elders and Keith Eugene Elders, divorce.  
Chris Dwayne Key and Janet Leigh Key, divorce.

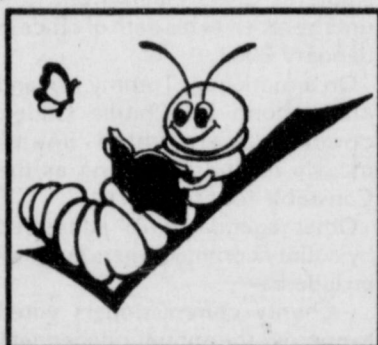
### Civil Minutes

In the Estate of Luther Rogers, deceased. Order of referral to mediation granted.

### Criminal Minutes

Deborah Marie Pounds, order discharging defendant from probation granted.

### Library Notes



March 20-24

Hi! No vocabulary today. We have volunteers who need to be thanked. Without these folks we would never get all the bar-coding, etc. done and therefore no computer check out.

### Thanks To:

Sue Bennett and Hollis Shults for helping bar-code.

Joan and Alton McCowen and Babs Sherrill for listing books in the computer.

### Thanks for the Memorials:

For Sam Odom - Billie Loving, Richard and Mary Ann Chaffin  
For Nash Tucker - Richard and Mary Ann Chaffin

For Estalee Potter - Richard and Mary Ann Chaffin

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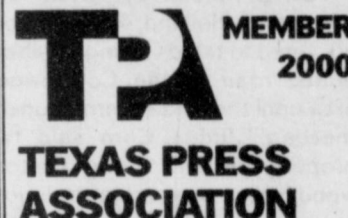
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## Obituaries

### Jerry Ann Bacon

CISCO—Jerry Ann Bacon, 61, died Wednesday, March 22, 2000, at an Abilene hospital.

Services were held at 10 a.m. Friday at the Chambers-Wilcox Funeral Home Chapel with Larry Fitzgerald and David Harris officiating, burial was in Oakwood Cemetery.

Mrs. Bacon was born in Breckenridge where she graduated high school. She went to North Texas at Denton for a year and married Tommy Bacon in 1957. She lived in Cisco and was a Certified Massage Therapist and a homemaker.

Survivors include her husband of the home; one daughter, Lynda Walls of Cisco; one son, Jeff Bacon of Rising Star; one sister, Sue Allison of Breckenridge; and four grandchildren.

### Luther Rhoads

COLEMAN—Luther J. Rhoads, 87, died Wednesday, March 22, 2000, at a nursing home.

Graveside services were held at 2:30 p.m. Saturday at Burkett Cemetery Pavilion with the Rev. Jeff Robinett officiating, directed by Stevens Funeral Home.

Mr. Rhoads was born in Coleman County and attended school at Rae and Echo. He attended college at Tarleton and married Addie C. Gray in 1935; she preceded him in death. He was involved in farming, ranching, and real estate, and had worked in the oil field for many years.

Survivors include one daughter, Coralea Kiefer of Anadarko, Oklahoma; three sons, Allen Dale Rhoads of Breckenridge, Roy Rhoads of Coleman, Mikey Rhoads of Reno, Nevada; dear friend, Myrtle Jo Smith of Coleman; seven grandchildren; and nine great-grandchildren.

Memorials may be made to Burkett Cemetery Association, c/o Linda Brady, 1001 CR 178, Burkett, Texas 76828.

### Mamie Joyce

RISING STAR—Mamie Joyce, 98, died Friday, March 24, 2000, in a Rising Star nursing center.

Services were held at 10 a.m. Tuesday in the Higginbotham Funeral Chapel with Andy Fowler and Lynn Starnes officiating. Burial was in the Rising Star Cemetery, directed by Higginbotham Funeral Home of Rising Star.

Mrs. Joyce was born in Rising Star and she lived there all her life. She married Cecil H. Joyce in 1920; he preceded her in death. She was a homemaker and a member of the First United Methodist Church and the Saturday Club.

Survivors include three sons, Ken Joyce of Greenville, B.H. "Bud" Joyce of Quinlan, Don Joyce of Fort Worth; three grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

### Dorothy Lee Taylor Alsobrook

SANTA ANNA—Dorothy Lee Taylor Alsobrook, 76, died Saturday, March 25, 2000, at a local nursing home.

Services were held at 10 a.m. Monday at the Santa Anna Cemetery, directed by Santa Anna Funeral Home.

Mrs. Alsobrook was born in Burkett. She had lived in Santa Anna since 1981 and was a retired nurse's assistant at Ranger Park Inn at Santa Anna. She married Bruce Alsobrook in 1942 and was a member of Fellowship Church.

Survivors include her husband of Santa Anna; four daughters, Ann Aaron of Sweetwater, Teresa Yvonne Gunter of Santa Anna, Carolyn Mitchell and Reba Seston both of Midland; two sons, Gerald Alsobrook of Livermore, California and Charles Edward Alsobrook of Ozone.

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http://www.gltexas.org  
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### Ricky Bailey

RISING STAR—Ricky Bailey, 53, died Saturday, March 25, 2000.

Services were held at 4:30 p.m. Tuesday at First Baptist Church with Terry Simmons officiating. Burial was in Rising Star Cemetery, directed by Higginbotham Funeral Home of Rising Star.

Mr. Bailey was born and grew up in Rotan. He was an Army veteran and was a consultant for Coca-Cola. He was a member of First Baptist Church. He married Shelly Polk in 1972 in Rising Star.

Survivors include his wife, of Rising Star; one daughter, Blair Bailey of Rising Star; one son, Brian Bailey of Rising Star; and one brother, Joe Bailey of Abilene.



### New tests

### Callahan

J&M Company of Abilene will drill No. 5 Edington 'A' to 500 in the Callahan County Regular, 4 miles southwest of Cross Plains on a 161.75-acre lease. Spots are 406 FNL and 200 FEL, Section 181, Block 61, Comal CSL 181, A-107.

## Glickman announces new pasture recovery program

WASHINGTON—Agriculture Secretary Dan Glickman today announced that eligible farmers and ranchers whose pastures were damaged by drought in 1999 can receive payments to help them reestablish forage crops. The Pasture Recovery Program is funded at \$40 million.

The PRP is available only in States with counties that suffered damage in 1999 under both the Livestock Assistance Program (LAP) and the Emergency Conservation Program (ECP).

Established pasture is eligible where livestock are normally grazed and that was so damaged by drought that seeding is required to reestablish the forage crop. No assistance is authorized for hayland or rangeland.

There will be two payment rates, one for re-seeding with seedbed preparation and one without. Payment rates will be determined by the Farm Service Agency State committee and will pay for the cost of the seed, seeding, and fertilizer but, in general, will not exceed \$75.00 per acre.

Signup for the program will begin March 20 and last at least until April 14, 2000. Re-seeding conducted before filing an application for PRP assistance will not be eligible for PRP payment. USDA is currently developing rules for this program for publication in the Federal Register.

To determine if you are eligible for the program, to complete an application, or to find out more about the PRP contact your local USDA Service Center or FSA county office.

### Callahan County DPS Report

Calls received by the Callahan County Department of Public Safety from March 19, 2000 through March 25, 2000 include:

Cases Investigated  
Warnings-54  
Complaints-78  
Vehicle Accidents

There were three vehicle accidents investigated during this time span.

Send or  
Receive Faxes  
(254) 725-7225  
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## Coordinator needed for St. Jude "Wheels For Life" Bike-A-Thon

A coordinator is needed for the Cross Plains area St. Jude "Wheels For Life" Bike-A-Thon that is upcoming. The five main functions of a coordinator are to be there the day of the event, secure a route, recruit riders, collect and mail the proceeds and receive and pass out the prizes provided. If you can get three or four friends to help it will make the job go much smoother.

St. Jude Children's Research Hospital is America's largest children's cancer research institution. The hospital, which is supported mainly by public donations, has treated more than 13,500 patients since its founding in 1962 by the late entertainer, Danny Thomas. These patients have come from across the United States and 55 other countries.

No family has ever had to pay for treatment at St. Jude Hospital. The hospital will accept insurance when available, but will then cover all costs above those paid by the insurance company. St. Jude will also provide transportation and

lodging when necessary.

St. Jude Hospital has been very successful in finding ways to treat pediatric cancer. The most common form of pediatric cancer is acute lymphocytic leukemia (ALL). When the hospital opened in 1962, only 4% of children with ALL survived. Today, mainly because of treatments developed at St. Jude Hospital, over 73% of children will survive the disease.

As the survival rates of ALL and a host of other diseases have risen, so has the cost of providing treatment. In 1962, the annual budget was \$2 million dollars. Today, it costs over \$150 million to fund the hospital annually with that cost expected to top \$200 million in just a few years. That is why your help is so important. Please help us continue our lifesaving work by calling today and signing up to coordinate a Bike-A-Thon. If you would like more information or become a coordinator, please call 1-800-626-BIKE.

PRAY FOR  
RAIN  
WEDNESDAY  
EVENINGS  
6:00 IN FRONT  
OF CITY HALL

Selected  
Scriptures

I am Your servant; Give me understanding, that I may know Your testimonies. Psalm 119:125

...that you may... know the love of Christ which passes knowledge;... Ephesians 3:17-19

Paid Advertising—Irma Miller

## Revival at Believer's Fellowship March 29-31

Bob Wallace, pastor of Believer's Fellowship on East Highway 36, would like to invite the community and surrounding area to a revival March 29 through March 31 beginning at 7 p.m. nightly.

Bro. Kenneth Plumley, evangelist from New Life Refuge Church in Ballinger, will be preaching the Word of God. Come hear this dynamic evangelist. You will be blessed "Beyond Hallalujah."

## Colonial Oaks Services

First Baptist Church will conduct worship services at Colonial Oaks Nursing Home on Sunday, April 2, commencing at 3:30 p.m.

Revival  
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March 29-31  
7:00 p.m. nightly  
Believer's Fellowship  
(approx. 1 mi. east on Hwy. 36)  
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Worship - 10:45 a.m.  
Dr. Richard Chaffin, Pastor  
Sunday's Sermon  
"A Mirror Image"



## Colonial Oaks Nursing Home News

By: Linda Merritt

Today has been designated as National Doctor's Day. We would like to take this opportunity to thank Doctor's Billy T. Carpenter and Joanne Paulk for their skill, sensitivity and commitment for being a part of our community and helping us all enjoy healthier lives. Stormie Jones, administrator, presented them with gift certificates to Underwood's in Brownwood.

A warm welcome to our new resident, Dot Lott.

Jo Boatright sure looks pretty with her new perm.

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

Our prayers go out to Gene Dillard for a speedy recovery from hip surgery.

Lynn and Betty Faugh from San Saba visited with Ruby Harrell.

Jim and Ida McCowen from Early, Alton and Donie McCowen and Garnette McKoy visited with Raymond McCowen.

Dub and Beth Meador and Jessica visited with Nandell Stiles.

Roylene Wilson visited with Howet Wilson.

Avi and Sharene Deshmukh from

Stephenville and Lurene McNutt visited with Louise Richardson.

Juanita and Clinton Crisp from Brownwood, Bennie and Debbie Williams from Big Lake visited with Maxine Crisp.

Jesse Norris and Joan Bullard from Clyde visited with Kate McCarty. Volly Williams visited O.B. Switzer.

Charlie, Kathy, Chantry, Logan and Trenor Bobb from El Paso visited with Beulah Ferguson.

Activities during the week were:

**Monday:** Bingo winners were Falba Shofner, Minnie Swann, Maxine Crisp (2) and Howet Wilson (2) and 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 toss.

**Friday:** Bingo winners were Falba Shofner (2), Minnie Swann, Howet Wilson (2) and Vera Belyeu (2). Sit-down-basketball and Skip-Bo games.

**Sunday:** First Baptist Church Thanks is a neglected form of compensation.

## Quips, Clips & Comments

By: Kay Mosley

### "Laura's Story"

It may have occurred to you that this is to be the life story of a person named Laura. Au Contrare!!! Instead, a person by the name of Laura TOLD this story. This story struck me as really very funny at the time, but the longer I thought about it the more hilarious it became. However, as the years passed, it came to me that there was more to it than that. The ways two different people in the same family viewed the same occurrence, a lot of thought on the part of each; the more than one perspectives of two individuals, have occurred to me as well as there is more than one way to achieve a

solution to a task or as some would express it -- "There's more than one way to skin a cat."

Laura was my supervisor during the years of my employment with a Lubbock bank. About 12 to 14 years older than myself; she along with her siblings was raised in the country in the area surrounding Lubbock. The daughter of a hardworking farmer and a frugal homemaker, Laura had worked her way up from the bottom of the heap to the position of an officer of the bank.

See next weeks column for "The Real Story!!!" or is that "The Rest of the Story??"

## Ma & Pa

By James Nichols

On a hot summer evening one local preacher was taking a walk, when he came across nine or ten young boys who were circled around a dog.

Upon asking, a young man stated the dog was a neighborhood stray that was well liked by all. Seeing that only one boy could take the dog home, they had decided to have a contest. The one who could tell the biggest and best lie would get the dog.

This was a shock to the Reverend

and he automatically went to preaching. He started with the sins of lying and ended up, "When I was your age I never told a lie." There was a minute of silence while the boys looked at each other.

The preacher was thinking he had made a good impression on the young men. Then a freckled faced boy pushed his cap back and with a sigh of disappointment said, "Well, let him take it home."

### CPAHI To Host "Free" Chili Supper Thursday, April 13

The Cross Plains Area Housing Initiative is hosting a "free" chili supper on Thursday, April 13 from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. at the CPISD cafeteria. Everyone is welcome. While the chili is "free", donations to CPAHI are welcome to help offset the cost of the chili supper and to provide operating funds for the organization.

CPAHI is a 501C-3 non-profit organization established in Cross Plains by citizens interested in improving housing in the community. For more information call Mary Graves at (254) 725-6418 or Linda Henson/Steve Mack at 725-6141.

### Oakdale Park's 29th Annual Bluegrass Jamboree set for March 30-31, April 1-2, in Glen Rose

The strains of bluegrass music will fill the air in the small, Central Texas town of Glen Rose during the weekend of March 30, 31, April 1 and 2. Bluegrass bands will arrive in Oakdale Park and perform on the outdoor stage during the four-day festival.

Highlighting this year's show will be the Tennessee Gentlemen from Tennessee. This entertaining group features the true bluegrass music that originated in the hills of Kentucky. They will give two performances on Saturday - one at 4:15 p.m. and the other at 11:00 p.m.

The always popular Twice As Nice bluegrass band from Arkansas will entertain guests with their music and antics. The Missouri band, Goldwing Express, promises to be a crowd pleaser.

Texas bands performing on stage include: Buffalo Gap Bluegrass, Abilene; Clear Creek Bluegrass, Trinity; WST Bluegrass, Austin; Texas Trailblazers, Fort Worth; Bear Creek Bluegrass, DeSoto; Chambers Creek Bluegrass, Maypearl; Surginer Brothers, Sinton; Leon Valley Bluegrass, Copperas Cove, and Double Mountain Boys, Lipan.

Jim Atchley, of Cleburne, will serve as master of ceremonies during the weekend of music.

The stage program begins Thursday, March 30 at 6:15 p.m. in the evening and runs until 11:00 p.m. Friday hours are 10:00 a.m. until 11:30 p.m. On Saturday, the show hours are 10:00 a.m. until 11:45 p.m. Sunday, the show will run from 10:00 a.m. until 12:15 p.m.

In addition to these stage show hours, music can be heard throughout the park. During, before, and after the stage show, musicians will gather under the shelters or shade trees to jam in small groups. Guests are welcome to walk from group to group to enjoy the music.

Although the program officially begins Thursday evening, bluegrass musicians will begin arriving in Oakdale Park as early as the week before the show. Early bird activities planned include breakfasts, bluegrass jam sessions, and a visit to perform at the local nursing home. Call or write for a complete schedule: P.O. Box 548, Glen Rose, TX 76043 - 254-897-2321 or visit the Oakdale Park website: www.oakdalepark.com

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### Pioneer News

By: Pioneer Quilting Club

Oliver and Frankie, Jean, and Jean's sister, Vi Harlow from Lovington, New Mexico, attended the Cottonwood Musical Friday night. Saturday they enjoyed the company of their daughter Roxie and her husband, Robert Nance, over the weekend. They enjoyed the fellowship at Pioneer Baptist. It was 'he ladies night out. The men did most of the work!

Glenda Phillips' brother and sister-in-law visited her one day and took her out to lunch. Howard and Allen joined them for lunch. Glenda went with Allen and Janice to watch Krista play basketball in the Rising Star PeeWee tournament. She had lunch Sunday with Allen, Janice and family which she always enjoys.

Linda Worley from Hewitt, spent Friday night with her mother, Olena Ezzell and visited other members of her family. They worked on a baby quilt for a future grandbaby of Linda's.

We had great success with our

"Bake Sale" at the Tradesday in Cross Plains. Thanks to all who baked the goods and a "great big" thanks to all who bought the items. It was a beautiful day to be out. It seems like all the people were having a good time.

The "42 party" was short on players but not fun or food. Come on out April 6 and join the group.

We are thankful for the showers of rain we have received the past weeks. We need to keep praying for more. Do not forget Ophelia's has a prayer breakfast the third Saturday each month.

The "paintbrushes" are beginning to show along with a few bluebonnets. Spring is such an invigorating time of year. Even without much rain, the folks are putting in their gardens. Trees are leafing out. It's a good time for drives throughout our state.

**Word of Wisdom #28:** Commit to the Lord whatever you do, and your plans will succeed. Proverbs 16:3

### Terry Shults is named to Dean's Honor Roll

WACO-- Terry Williams Shults earned a place on the Dean's Honor Roll for the Fall Quarter at Texas State Technical College (TSTC) in Waco.

Shults, a student in the Computer Networking and Systems Administration Technology program, is the son of Hollis and Cherry Shults and grandson of Hollis and Lyda Shults, all of Cross Plains.

The Dean's Honor Roll recognizes the scholastic achievement of students with a grade point average of 3.5 to 3.99 for the quarter.

### Scout Car Wash Set For April 8

The Boy Scouts will be sponsoring a CAR WASH on Saturday, April 8, beginning at 9:00 a.m. at the United Pentecostal Church located on West Highway 36.

The Scouts will be accepting donations for their service and all proceeds will benefit the local organization.

Remember this date! Get your car washed and assist the Boy Scouts, too!

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By Bob Pipes, preacher  
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Socrates said it long, long ago: "The shortest and surest way to live with honor in the world is to be in reality what we appear to be." There is a certain drawing power in truth. Another "habit" or quality of a loving heart is to be drawn to the truth. Paul, by inspiration, speaking the heart of God, wrote as is recorded in I Corinthians 13:6 that "love does not delight in evil but rejoices with the truth."

Dishonesty seems to always have a way of catching up with the perpetrator. Willard Tate tells of the two high school students who got spring fever one day and skipped morning classes. They went in that afternoon, telling one of their morning teachers, "Sorry we're so late. We had a flat tire on the way to school." The teacher, knowing it was a con job, smiled and said, "That's O.K. I'll let you make it up right now -- just take seats, one of you in the front and one in the back." Once they were seated, the teacher gave them each a sheet of paper, then said: "Question #1 -- Which tire went flat?"

Integrity. Honesty. Truth. How do you teach it to others, like your children and grandchildren -- society? Not so much by what we say as by what we do. We teach it by example. It's a trait of a loving heart that cannot be denied. It stands out like a bright, red rose -- but the "sore thumb" of lies stand out too. Which will it be for you and me?

Someone has said that reputation is what people think of us; character is what we really are. Another said, "Character is revealed by what we do in secret."

There is a great need in our world today. The need is truth, trust and integrity. Do you have the habit of a loving heart of being drawn to the truth?

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# Student Review



## CP vs MAY

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	RUNS	H	E
CP	6	3	4	3	X	X	X	16	11	1
MAY	0	2	0	0	0	X	X	2	2	7

PITCHERS	IP	K	BB	H	R	ER
W PANCAKE	5	7	2	2	2	2

NAME	H	AB	R	RBI	K	BB	EXTRA BH
PANCAKE	0	2	1	0	1	2	
BEGGS	0	4	3	0	0	0	
CALLAWAY	2	4	2	1	0	0	
RICHARDS	2	3	4	3	0	1	1 DBL
WHITEHEAD	3	4	3	7	0	0	1 DBL & 2 HR
DILLARD	1	2	2	1	0	0	
GOSNELL	1	2	0	0	1	0	1 DBL
BAILEY	0	1	0	1	0	1	
KITCHENS	2	3	1	2	0	0	1 HR
NORRIS	0	2	0	0	2	0	
MACKEY	0	1	0	0	1	0	
POTTER	0	1	0	0	1	0	

.600+ ON BASE AVE. Beggs 3 for 4; Whitehead 3 for 4; Bailey 2 for 2; Richards 4 for 4; Dillard 2 for 2 and Kitchens 2 for 3.

## CP vs Mullin

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	RUNS	H	E
CP	16	0	0	0	1	X	X	17	13	0
MULLIN	0	0	0	0	0	X	X	0	0	5

PITCHERS	IP	K	BB	H	R	ER
W RICHARDS	3	7	0	0	0	0
CALLAWAY	2	4	2	0	0	0

NAME	H	AB	R	RBI	K	BB	EXTRA BH
PANCAKE	1	1	2	0	0	2	
BEGGS	1	1	2	2	0	1	
CALLAWAY	1	2	1	2	0	0	1 DBL
RICHARDS	2	2	2	3	0	0	1 DBL & 1 HR
WHITEHEAD	0	1	2	0	1	1	
DILLARD	2	3	2	1	0	0	
BAILEY	2	2	2	3	0	0	1 DBL
GOSNELL	2	2	2	5	0	1	1 HR
KITCHENS	1	2	1	0	0	1	
MACKEY	1	1	0	1	0	0	1 DBL
HILL	0	0	1	0	0	1	
NORRIS	0	1	0	0	0	0	
REED	0	1	0	0	1	0	
PHILLIPS	0	1	0	0	0	0	
POTTER	0	1	0	0	0	0	

.600+ ON BASE AVE. Pancake 3 for 3; Beggs 2 for 2; Phillips 1 for 1; Norris 1 for 1; Richards 3 for 3; Whitehead 2 for 2; Dillard 3 for 3; Gosnell 3 for 3; Bailey 3 for 3; Hill 1 for 1; Kitchens 3 for 3 and Mackey 1 for 1.

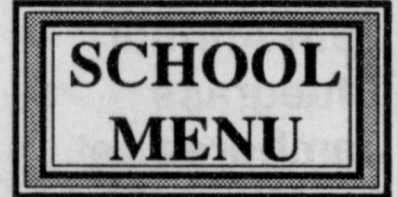
# Lady Buffs Win Meridian Track Meet

By COACH MIKE CAVENDER

We had a total of 108 team points and it came down to beating Meridian in the mile relay to win the meet. Meridian finished second with 102 and Priddy was 3rd with 98. It was a very competitive meet with 27 Class A schools. We had outstanding performances from all the girls individually, relays and field events.

Results are as follows:  
 3200 run - Chesshir - 17:17.41  
 400 relay - Payne, Lewis, Thomas, Kitchens - 53.6 - 4th place  
 100 hurdles - Richey - 16.15 - 1st place  
 800 run - Bennett - 2:47 - 7th place  
 100 dash - Lewis - 13.2 - 2nd place; Cook - 14.6; and Rogers 14.8  
 400 dash - Wyatt - 68.0 and Swift - 69.7  
 800 relay - Payne, Wyatt, Thomas, Lewis - 1:52.7 - 2nd place  
 200 dash - Cook - 30.3 and Rogers 32.1  
 300 hurdles - Richey - 47.3 - 1st place

1600 run - Bennett - 6:20.5 - 5th place; Rivard - 6:55.2; and Chesshir - 7:59.1  
 1600 relay - Wyatt, Kitchens, Swift, Richey - 4:21.1 - 2nd place  
 Field Events  
 Shot put - Wilson - 35' 5" - 2nd place; Francy 35' 4" - 3rd place  
 Discus - Francy 117' 4" - 1st place; Wilson - 90' 11" - 2nd place  
 High jump - Kitchens - 4' 4"  
 Triple jump - Richey - 34' 11" - 2nd place; Wyatt - 31' 9 1/2"  
 Long jump - Lewis - 13' 8"



APRIL 3-APRIL 7

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

**LUNCH**  
 MONDAY—Pizza, salad, corn, rosy applesauce and milk.  
 TUESDAY—Steak fingers w/ gravy, mashed potatoes, green beans, rolls, peaches and milk.  
 WEDNESDAY—Sloppy Joes, carrot sticks w/ranch, Ranch Style beans, pudding and milk.  
 THURSDAY—Chicken & rice, peas & carrots, crackers, pears and milk.  
 FRIDAY—Hamburger, lettuce, tomato, pickles, fries, Rice Krispie treat and milk.

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## Cross Plains Golfers 1st Round of District Results Told

By COACH MIKE CAVENDER

In the girls opening round Toni Mae Wyatt shot a 124 and Cassie Ratliff shot a 116. Both of the girls are competing in medalist play and out of 27 golfers, they are ranked 18th and 20th after the first round.

In the boys opening round they shot a combined team score of 361. That has us sitting 4th out of 10 teams just 10 strokes out of second. Individually Coby Richards was 84, James Ross 87, Shane Sharp 94,

Jake Farrow 96 and Jaden Winfrey 110. Coby's 84 and James 87 has Coby sitting in a 3-way tie for 7th and James is sitting in a 4-way tie for 10th out of 48 total golfers.

We have one more round to play and both rounds will combine for a two round total score. In order to advance to Regional, you must finish in the top two team scores or in the top 6 individual scores. Individual team scores also count towards top 6 individual medalist places for advancing to Regional.

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Over the past three years many improvements have been made in the Cross Plains School system.

The average TAAS scores have increased by 13.7% for all tests and the scores of CPISD students are above the state average in all areas. Cross Plains residents should also be proud that the annual dropout rate at CPISD is below the state average, while the annual attendance rate is above the state average. ACT scores continue to rise, these scores are above the state and national averages for this test.

Technology has become commonplace as each school building has a computer lab and each classroom has at least one computer. A Career and Technology Lab has been developed. Many students are involved in the Accelerated Reading Program and are waiting anxiously for the Accelerated Math Program.

All these improvements have been made while the Cross Plains ISD tax rate remains as the 14<sup>th</sup> lowest tax rate in the State. We must be doing something right.

Let's show the School Board we appreciate their concern for the well being of our children by re-electing Tony Wyatt for School Board.

I would appreciate your consideration on April 4 as you vote for school board. Serving the children and faculty of Cross Plains ISD has been rewarding. Many improvements have been made, from rebuilding to insurance plans for faculty being established. TAAS score continue to improve and are above the state average.

I have lived in Cross Plains all my life, and raised three children in the Cross Plains school systems that have been involved in many aspects of CPISD from band, to FFA, to athletics, to One Act Play and UIL.

I am concerned for your child and I would like to continue to work for them as a member of the Cross Plains ISD School Board.

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## Stenholm announces 2001 military academy cycle

WASHINGTON, D.C.—Congressman Charles W. Stenholm is pleased to announce the beginning of the 2001 United States Academy cycle. At this time, information is being forwarded to all area high schools and those individuals who have expressed interest in applying for a nomination to the U.S. Air Force Academy at Colorado Springs, the U.S. Military Academy at West Point, the Naval Academy at Annapolis, or the Merchant Marine Academy at Kings Point.

Congressman Stenholm, along with Congressmen Lamar Smith and Henry Bonilla, will again sponsor an Academy Day orientation for all high school students interested in learning about their opportunities to acquire an education at one of the academies.

The Academy Day will be held Sunday, April 9 from 2-4 p.m. at the Math-Computer Science Building on the Angelo State University campus in San Angelo. Parents, counselors, and friends of students are welcome.

The Academy Day program will include an introduction of Congressional staffers and academy representatives who will be working with the students during the nomination process, an explanation of nomination procedures, and a videotape of life at each acad-

emy. There will also be opportunities for students and parents to visit with academy and ROTC representatives.

To be eligible to attend an academy, an applicant must be between 17 and 22 years of age, unmarried with no dependents, and a U.S. citizen. Congressional nominations can be obtained through the U.S. Representative in whose district the applicant resides, from each of the two U.S. Senators from Texas, and from the Vice President of the United States. Congressional nominations account for about 80 percent of all nominations awarded annually.

Selections are made in mid-December, using a formula based on the candidate's high school record, class standing, SAT and/or ACT scores. Involvement in athletics and school and community extracurricular activities are important factors in determining the individual's ability to effectively function under pressure. Evaluations by school officials and other individuals who are familiar with the candidate are also used in the decision-making process.

Motivated, self-starting individuals who like to be challenged are strongly encouraged to contact Congressman Charles Stenholm, 1211 Longworth HOB, Washington, D.C. 20515 for further information.

## Texas livestock producers to get \$40.4 million in assistance

COLLEGE STATION—Texas livestock producers in 161 counties will get a boost this week as some \$40.4 million in assistance is paid through the Livestock Assistance Program administered by USDA's Farm Service Agency. This sum represents roughly 20 percent of the national allocation of \$200 million targeted to help livestock producers who suffered losses during 1999.

"Our livestock producers have endured some hard times over the past two years," said Wayland Shurley, State Executive Director for Texas FSA. "The livestock assistance program won't pay the producers back for all they've lost," he said, "but it will help ease the financial hardship they've felt." The Livestock Assistance Program, LAP, provides emergency feed assistance to eligible livestock producers for grazing losses caused by a severe natural disaster.

Applications from about 42,000 Texas producers indicated eligible losses totaling \$87.8 million during 1999. However, due to a set allocation of funds and a large number of producers who qualified nationwide, all producers will receive only 46 percent of the amount for which they qualified. Eligible livestock for the program included beef and dairy cattle, sheep, goats, swine, and equine animals used for the production of food or fiber on the owner's farm.

Widespread drought conditions in both 1998 and 1999 made good pastures hard to find and forced

many of this State's producers to liquidate some or all of their livestock. Due to losses occurring in 1998, producers in 249 of Texas' 254 counties qualified for LAP. For their 1998 losses, more than 49,100 Texas producers received a total of \$99.3 million, more than a third of the \$270 million paid out nationwide.

Agriculture is the State's second largest industry. According to data from the Texas Agricultural Statistics Service, 1998 receipts from cattle and calves totaled \$5.8 million and accounted for 44.2 percent of the State's cash receipts for agricultural commodities.

Many of the State's livestock producers are small operations. In 1998, approximately 65 percent of all Texas cattle operations had less than 50 head. Nearly 82 percent were operations of less than 100 head. In 1998, approximately 79 percent of Texas beef cattle operations had less than 50 head. Over the last five years, beef cattle operations of less than 100 head made up approximately 90 percent of all beef cattle operations in the State.

When regulations for the 1999 LAP were published, just a few weeks ago, some 1800 counties nationwide were expected to be eligible for 1999 LAP compared to 1194 eligible for 1998 losses. Across the country it was estimated that livestock in the affected regions eligible for LAP included more than 25 million cattle, 2 million sheep and half a million horses.



**WATER CORPORATION AWARD**—R.O. "Tex" Cloud, at left, received a merit award by the Callahan County Water Supply Corporation at its annual meeting Monday, March 27 in Clyde. Cloud, a charter member of the

water supply corporation, served as a director for the corporation for 22 years. Presenting the award to Cloud at right is Robert Warren, president of the CCWSC.

## R.O. "Tex" Cloud Honored with Merit Award by Callahan Co. Water Supply Annual Meeting

The election of three board of directors and a merit award presentation to charter board member R.O. "Tex" Cloud highlighted the 22nd annual meeting of the Callahan County Water Supply Corporation held Monday, March 27.

Before the corporation's annual meeting opened, members and guests were treated to a bar-b-que meal catered by Square's Bar-b-que.

Some 37 members of the water supply corporation met Monday at the Callahan County Water Supply Corporation offices on the north access road of I-20 in Clyde to elect three members to the corporation board. Another 57 members returned proxy ballots by mail, giving the membership 94 total votes to cast for the corporation directors. The directors elected included incumbent directors Kim Walton and Billy Jackson, along with new director Gene Cook.

Other incumbent board members include Charlie Palmer, Melba Miller, Steve Clark, Ralph Cummings and outgoing director Tex Cloud.

The CCWSC president is Robert Warren. Billy Jackson serves as the corporation vice president, Cathy Goldsmith is secretary/treasurer of the organization and Bobbie Spitzer serves as the water supply corporation manager.

During the annual meeting, outgoing director R.O. "Tex" Cloud was presented with a merit award by Robert Warren for serving as director on the water supply corporation since its inception in 1978. Cloud, owner of Cloud Printing in Abilene, told the audience the Callahan County Water Supply Corporation is the greatest thing to have ever happen to rural Callahan County and thanked fellow board members Billy Jackson and Robert Warren for their leadership in the water corporation.

Cloud ended by telling the members to "just keep paying your water bill."

Along with two plaques of appreciation, Cloud was also presented with a wrist watch with the inscription "Charter Member, CCWSC 1978-2000."

Other highlights of the annual meeting included informing members of a water line extension to serve the Country Club Estates housing division south of I-20 between Clyde and Baird. The new housing development will serve approximately 60 metered customers. Billy Jacob of the engineering firm Jacob & Martin, told those in attendance the project calls for adding 3500 feet of six inch lines to the development with two inch water lines to serve those inside the housing area. Jacob said the project is estimated to cost \$80,000 and the housing developer will pay \$60,000 of the total cost.

The project is expected to begin in late March and will be completed in late May or early June.

Callahan County Water Supply Corporation was formed in 1978 and incorporated on April 3, 1980. The corporation currently has 571 members, who have some 740 metered connections to the system.

The corporation purchases water from the cities of Baird and Clyde through a large pipeline supplying water from the City of Abilene.

The water corporation began supplying treated water to its customers in July 1998. The corporation has some 200 miles of water

pipeline which serve north of Clyde, north of Baird, between the communities of Clyde and Baird, down to Rowden and the Admiral communities. The corporation received a \$2.3 million grant and \$840,000 loans from the USDA Rural Development to construct the network of pipelines.

Along with electing three directors to the corporation board, members also approved the independent audit presented by Randy Fitzhugh. In the audit report, Fitzhugh reported the corporation has some \$2.225 million in net assets and had \$314,000 in water sales last fiscal year.

CCWSC manager Bobbie Spitzer told the membership the corporation's average water customer used 4,800 gallons of water in February. She reminded the members to continue to conserve water and said the corporation will inform the membership of any new conservation measures.

Director Billy Jackson spoke to the membership about his attendance at the Texas Rural Water Association convention held March 16-17. Jackson, Robert Warren and Bobbie Spitzer all attended the TRWA convention which included an industry exhibition show and workshops both days.

Corporation president Robert Warren notified members the City of Baird in November 1999 approved an increase in the amount of water the corporation purchases from the City of Baird from 100 gallons per minute to 180 gallons per minute. Warren also noted because of a larger number of water customers purchasing water from the City of Baird, the corporation will be moving some of those water connections to the City of Clyde. Warren said the CCWSC can purchase up to 350 gallons per minute from the City of Clyde, but now only use around 150 gallons per minute. The corporation averages just over two million gallons of water usage per month.

Warren also reminded the membership of its Drought Contingency Plan, which is similar to the plan of the City of Abilene. The corporation is currently in stage one of the drought plan. The drought plan also requests the corporation find other water sources in case of an emergency, however Warren reminded the audience most water sources are currently allocated to municipalities.

Warren also spoke about many Texas municipalities taking away water supply corporation customers without compensation. Warren said municipalities will often annex housing areas from water supply corporations without giving compensation to those water corporations. He said the term "cherry picking" is used by municipalities to take away a water supply corporation's membership and the CCWSC is looking out for its membership by keeping up with what the Clyde and Baird city councils are annexing.

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## Forage Field Day April 5 in Cross Plains Community Center

A special 3 CEU Forage Field Day is set for April 5th in the Cross Plains Community Center. Registration starts at 8:30 a.m. The program begins at 9:00 a.m. Quality and quantity of forage can vary greatly and are constantly changing throughout the year. The goal of this program is to provide producers with information on forage management strategies to help them produce uniform, high quality forage to meet their production goals. These strategies will include management techniques on existing bermudagrass pastures as well as selection of diverse forage opportunities.

Speakers for the Field Day will include, Dr. David Bade, TAEX State Forage Specialist, Dr. Mark McFarland, TAEX State Soil Fertility Specialist and Dr. Billy Warrick, Extension Agronomist from San Angelo. Dr. Bade will discuss Bermudagrass

Management, as well as address the strengths and weakness of forages such as clovers, wheatgrasses and ryegrasses for our area. Dr. McFarland will discuss Fertility Management of Forages and Dr. Warrick will conclude our program by discussing Summer Forages and their Management. The program is set to conclude after lunch with a tour of various forage trials taking place in the Cross Plains area.

The Field Day and accompanying meal are Free to those that pre-register by April 3rd. Registration at the door will be \$5.00 per person. This program is presented by the Extension offices in Brown, Callahan, Coleman and Eastland Counties. For further information contact the Callahan County Extension Office at (915) 854-1518.

Sincerely,  
Robert Pritz  
County Extension Agent

## Forest Service says fire danger in state still bleak

The Texas Forest Service warns that the fire danger outlook for most of the state remains bleak and that everyone should keep their guards up against wildfires. Only the Central, North and East Texas regions are given much chance of precipitation within the next several days. 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, Tom Spencer, fire risk assessment coordinator with the Texas Forest Service in Huntsville. He notes 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 Far West Texas, Panhandle, South Plains, Concho Valley, and Permian Basin regions, as well as portions of South and Southeast Texas."

The fire risk coordinator noted some green-up of grass is underway in areas that benefited from the recent rains. A sobering note of caution, though, was recently issued for the East Texas region by Bobby Young, associate director for forest resource protection with the Texas Forest Service in Lufkin.

"We are extremely dry in parts of East Texas," declared Young, "and, despite the greening up of grasses, the woods are still explosive. An 80-acre fire this week in Trinity County left nothing but black sticks."

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 personnel.

The Texas Forest Service asks all Texas residents and visitors to use extreme caution with all potential wildfire ignition sources, and to abide by outdoor burning bans that remain in effect in over 100 Texas counties—including Callahan County.

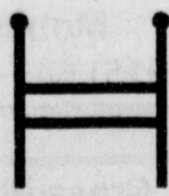
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We want to especially thank Bro. Rufus Wilson and Bro. Dwayne Clower for the service, the choir for providing the music, and also to the Pioneer Baptist Church for serving us lunch.

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# COUNTY ROADS by Ginny Greene

## If you hear panting...

"I think your answering machine is kaput," my sister was telling me. "I don't have an answering machine."

"That's funny," she said. "Somebody answered."

"What did they say?"

"Nothing. I just heard a clunk, and the ringing stopped, but there was no beep to tell me when to begin my message."

"Maybe you got the wrong number," I suggested.

"No, I heard goats in the background. I know it was your number."

"That's strange," I said.

"It was strange. Come to think of it, there was panting. I was worried it was you, and you couldn't talk."

"You were worried I couldn't talk?" She laughed. "That is pretty funny."

A month or so later, my sister caught up with me again. "What's with your answering machine, anyway?"

Several people have mentioned it lately. I still don't have an answering machine.

I asked the ones who get home first, "Anything strange about the phone?"

"Yes, Gramma. Sometimes the phone is off the hook. We thought you did it. We always hang it up when we get here."

One day I came through the back door just as my "answering machine" picked up. Standing on all fours, she lifted the receiver in her mouth.

She put it on the floor, sat down, sniffed, panted, nosed it a few inches across the floor, panted, sniffed again, pawed it, then circled the receiver and batted it.

It was my dog, Maggie, who beat me to the phone. She picked it up again and carried it across the room, sniffed and panted some more, her brushy tail wagging wildly.

She dragged the phone into the hall, dropped it, whined and whimpered. Every few whimpers she'd pick it up in her mouth and toss it a few inches farther down the hall.

Interesting that it was Maggie who figured out how to answer the phone. Most of our dogs have learned to shake hands, sit, lie down, turn over, and balance a bone on their nose before snapping it into their mouth at the count of three.

It only took one banana to teach Gretchen to climb ladder stairs to the attic bedroom. This same dog learned to talk, and maintains a large and expressive vocabulary.

Maggie's best trick is that she's the only one of our dogs who sits down to eat, her paws stretched out on each side of the food dish. She also smacks her lips after a meal better than any other dog we've ever had.

After a year of watching Gretchen whirl around while begging for doggie bones, Maggie thought she had the maneuver perfected. She'd shake her head. That was it. She also trained me not to insist on a trick to get a treat.

But clever Maggie has aced them all this time. She doesn't get the message straight, but at least I know someone called. When they call back and tell me about my panting answering machine, then I know who called. It works for me.

So I warn callers, "If you hear panting—it's Maggie, my personal phone answering dog."

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## 3rd Annual Big Country Beef Cattle Short Course April 3, 10 & 17

The third annual Big Country Beef Cattle Short Course will be held three consecutive Monday nights: April 3, April 10 and April 17. The short course is a joint project of the Extension Offices in Callahan, Shackelford, Jones, Nolan, Fisher, and Taylor Counties. All sessions will begin at 7:00 p.m. at the Taylor County Extension Office.

The programs are as follows:  
April 3: Dr. Buddy Faries, Texas A&M Extension Veterinarian: *Cattle Vaccines and How to Develop a Health Program*

April 10: Randy Carson, owner of Abilene Auction: *Marketing via Livestock Auctions*; Dr. Jason Johnson, Area Extension Agricultural Economist: *Advantages of Lease vs. Purchase in Equipment and Land Use*; Dr. Steve Hammack, Extension Livestock Specialist: *Genetic Strategies for Beef Cow Herds*

April 17: Dr. Allan McGinty, Extension Range Specialist: *Range Management*; Dr. Chris Sanson, Extension Entomologist: *Pest*

### Management in the Beef Cattle Herd

The final session on April 17th will award 2 CEU's for holders of a Texas Department of Agriculture pesticide applicator license.

The cost of the short course will be \$20 for pre-registered for the three nights. After April 3, the cost will be \$25 per person. Producers have the option of attending only one session for the cost of \$10. A meal will be provided with the program. For additional information, please call the Taylor County Extension Office at (915) 672-6048.

Individuals with disabilities who require an auxiliary aid or accommodation are asked to contact the Taylor County Extension Service at (915) 672-6048 on week in advance of the program. Extension programs serve all people regardless of socioeconomic level, color, sex, religion, disability, or national origin.

Sincerely,  
Robert Pritz  
County Extension Agent

# HAPPY BIRTHDAY

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Sharon (Ingram) Pope  
Ruth Clyatt  
Charles Coppinger  
Rusty Wayne Johnson  
Todd Kennedy  
Eva McGough  
Ector Mireles, Jr.  
Lyceria Juarez

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Virginia Sheppard  
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Bonnie Rogers  
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## OFFICE SUPPLIES AT THE CROSS PLAINS REVIEW

## Advertising Gets Results

### Jordan Cattle Auction

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## Author Preston Lewis to present book review locally

The Library is sponsoring western writers for 2000 for their book review series. Preston Lewis will present the next review April 11.

Elmer Kelton told the Friends of the Library that he reads books written by Preston Lewis. Preston is the Spur Award-winning author of 20 western or historical novels and numerous articles on the Old West.

He also writes books under the pen name, Will Camp. His latest Will Camp book, *Comanche Trail*, was published by HarperCollins. His other books include *The Lady and Doc Holliday*, set in Fort Griffin in the 1870s, as well as *The Demise of Billy the Kid*, *The Redemption of Jesse James* and *Mix-Up at the O.K. Corral*, all written under his own name as part of *The Memoirs of H.H. Lomax* series. The Lomax collection, says Amazon.com, is "...a fresh new series of western adventures from the talented and unconventional pen of Preston Lewis... This Spur Award-winning author spins a tale in the tradition of the frontier's oral historians."

A journalist by training, Lewis became the director of news and information for Angelo State University in 1999. Prior to that he had been affiliated with Texas Tech University since 1980, serving 16 years as manager of the University and Health Sciences Center News Bureaus and three years with the University Libraries. During his tenure with the Libraries, he served one year as interim director of the Southwest Collection and two years as director of development and external relations.

Prior to joining Texas Tech he worked as a reporter for four Texas daily newspapers, *The Lubbock Avalanche-Journal*, *The Abilene Reporter News*, *The Waco News-Tribune* and *The Orange Leader*. Lewis holds a bachelor's degree from Baylor University and a master's degree from Ohio State University where he was a Kiplinger

Fellow of Public Affairs Reporting.

He resides in San Angelo with his wife Harriet, who is the academic coordinator for clinical education in Angelo State University's Physical Therapy Department. His son, Scott, is a 1999 mechanical engineering graduate of the University of Texas and a project engineer in the international division of Exxon-Mobil. His daughter, Melissa, is a senior elementary education major at Baylor University. Both were National Merit Scholars.

### Jordan Cattle Auction - Brownwood March 21, 2000

Receipts totaled 645 head. The market continued active with all weights of steers and heifers selling steady to strong. Slaughter cows sold steady with Slaughter Bulls selling \$2.00 to \$6.00 higher. Pairs and Brod cows sold steady to strong.

Representative Sales		
Larry Schwartz	Early	1 Str 300 @ 137.00
Oscar Martinez	Brownwood	1 Str 325 @ 135.00
Herbert Purtle	Manor	1 Str 415 @ 116.00
Ross Rowlett	Brownwood	1 Str 545 @ 112.00
Pat McClatchy	Brownwood	1 Str 615 @ 89.00
Charlie Campbell	Brownwood	1 Str 705 @ 85.50
Evans Charolais Ranch	Brownwood	1 Bull 1955 @ 2200.00
Evans Charolais Rancho	Brownwood	1 Bull 1820 @ 2050.00
David Steele	Sidney	1 Hfr 430 @ 110.00
Helen Alexander	Winters	1 Hfr 515 @ 97.50
Terry Geye	Rising Star	1 Hfr 610 @ 91.00
Briggs Browning	Doole	1 Hfr 685 @ 82.50

Weight	Steers Price	Helpers Price	Slaughter Bulls
150-300	1.20-1.67.50	1.00-1.53	48-57
300-400	1.06-1.37	98-1.18	Slaughter Cows
400-500	1.02-1.18	88-1.10	32-46
500-600	97-1.12	84-98	Bred Cows
600-700	81-91	78-91	500-825
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