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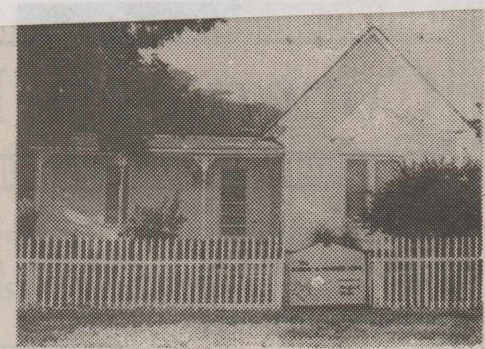
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DOWN HOME

"Have You Ever?"

By Vanda Anderson Creech
Editor

Everyday living gets pretty complicated sometimes. Have you ever had a day like this?

*First of all, you don't even sleep until the alarm goes off. Well, you can utilize the time praying and spending some quality time with the Lord.

*The telephone keeps ringing and you are getting farther behind on that tight schedule you have allowed yourself.

*You have your clothes laid out, but you can't find the socks that match the shoes--anywhere. You know you just had them in your hand, but they have suddenly disappeared.

*When you put on your jacket, the button is gone from the sleeve and you can't wear it because you don't have time to sew another one on. First of all, you don't have the button that is missing and I don't sew anyway. You don't have another jacket to go with the pants, so, you start all over. You look terrible, because nothing coordinates but you are in a hurry.

*You start to prepare your lunch and discover there are no sandwich bags. The plastic wrap takes sooooo much longer.

*Finally you're dressed and you put some lotion on your hands right before going to the door. The door is now swollen from the rain and you can't open it, especially with the lotion. The next problem is that you have placed all the geraniums (should they freeze) in front of the other door, and you may not be able to get out of this door. Well, with some shoving and rearranging I moved a plant or two and can now walk around to the back door and open it from the outside.

*You have the truck loaded and look down and you have just enough gasoline to get to town---you hope.

This reminds me of the day I decided to run away from home (brilliant idea????). Take my advise, make sure you have gasoline before you attempt this stunt. I did get to a friend's house and all the gasoline they had was what they used for their lawn mower. They poured it in and I got back home, feeling even more foolish.

Then there was the time I left my truck keys on the bar, locked the door behind me. Of course, I had to climb through the window. Not wanting my neighbors to see what I had done, I waited for the cars to stop passing. I had never seen so much traffic on this county road, but I eventually got a break. A glider was close so I could stand on it, but this is not a good choice of a ladder, as it kept moving back and forth. I finally got the screen off and climbed inside. I was surprised that I could actually get my leg up that high and crawl in. I felt like a burglar.

*Now you get on the road and you get behind two or three drivers that are not even close to driving the speed limit and in a 4-cylinder you don't have enough power to get around one vehicle, much less two. So you tootle on and right outside of town you see your son's pickup on the side of the road. You're not sure, maybe

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Cottonwood Musical This Friday, November 15

Good old country music and eats will be featured at the Cottonwood Musical on Friday, November 15, at the Cottonwood Community Center sponsored by the Cottonwood Quilting Club.

Meet old friends and make new ones. You don't want to miss out on Ethel's big pot of beef soup served with crackers, tea or coffee--all for \$3.00. The ladies will also be serving those great sandwiches, pies, cakes, and popular cold drinks.

Serving begins at 5:30 p.m. and musical entertainment at 6 p.m. The emcee for the evening will be Mary E. Weaver. There is no admission. All the proceeds from the concessions will be used for the upkeep of the Cottonwood Community Center.

See you there!!!!

Muddy Creek Performing Locally at Dance This Saturday

Muddy Creek Band will be playing at the Senior Citizens Country and Western Dance on Saturday, November 16, from 7:30 p.m. to 10:30 p.m. at Skateworld in Cross Plains.

Admission will be \$4.00 per person. Smoking and alcohol will not be permitted. Concessions will be available.

For further information call Dub Meador at (254) 725-7720.

Lord's Acre at FUMC Makes Over \$17,000

The First United Methodist Church would like to thank everyone who supported and took part in our annual "Lord's Acre" this past Saturday. This year was a great success to say the least. Our community is a great support to this Methodist effort every year. We served approximately 450 turkey dinners including carry outs. The auction was exciting as many beautiful quilts, food items, handmade dolls and jackets etc...went home with high bidders.

Our combined efforts netted over \$17,000 - thanks to all who had anything to do with and participated this year. This money will be dispersed to mission efforts in honor of God our Father. Thanks be to God and Thank You to the Cross Plains Community.



A SIGN OF PROGRESS—The City of Cross Plains has completed their new "Welcome Sign" and it lends beauty to the community.



ANOTHER ADDITION TO THE NEW PARK—A lovely gazebo complimented with wooden benches highlights the park beside the City Hall.

2 Texas Building Center Chains Unite

LUBBOCK—West Texas building center chain Higginbotham-Bartlett Co. recently merged with Higginbotham Bros. and Co., owner of the Higginbotham's building centers, to own and operate 52 building centers throughout Texas--including the Higginbotham Bros. and Co. store in Cross Plains. After the merger, the new chain now spans the state of Texas from Louisiana to New Mexico.

The merger went into effect on October 31, 2002. All stores will operate under their existing names. "We plan to operate the new locations in West and North Texas as complete building centers, offering hardware, lumber, lawn and garden, paint, tools and a complete line of building and home improvement supplies," said Bill Robinson, Chief Operating Officer of HBC Holdings, Ltd., the holding company for Higginbotham-Bartlett Co. and Higginbotham Bros. and Company.

The merged companies were established more than 100 years ago when much of Texas was still wilderness. When founded, the stores offered frontier settlers essential merchandise, including building and lumber supplies. Today the stores offer customers a full line of hardware, lumber, lawn and garden, paint, tools and many other home building and improvement supplies.

Both Higginbotham-Bartlett Co. and Higginbotham Bros. and Co. have a rich history in Texas. Higginbotham-Bartlett Co. began in 1881 as a general mercantile store in the Texas town of De Leon. Established by brothers J.M. and R.W. Higginbotham, the company grew with the introduction of the Texas Central railroad. See Higginbotham's Page 3

Non-Event Dinner Nets \$5,600 for EMS Ambulance

Proceeds from the Non-Event Dinner was over \$5,600 and it is still coming in. This substantial amount represents truly caring communities.

Beta Sigma Phi, Friends of the Library, EMS of Cross Plains, Cottonwood Quilting Club, Project Pride, Texas Heritage Bank, Kiwanis of Cross Plains, Cross Plains Volunteer Fire Department, Cottonwood Volunteer Fire Department, Barbarian Festival Committee and the Chamber of Commerce wish to thank all who participated in the Benefit Non-Event Dinner.

The Cross Plains EMS would like to thank Beta Sigma Phi for organizing the Non-Event Dinner Fund-raiser for the new ambulance fund. They are aware that several organizations helped with this event. The EMS greatly appreciates the community support for the service.

The whole community working together is what makes an EMS service such as the Cross Plains Emergency Medical Service able to function effectively.

It is not too late to participate in this worthy cause. If you would like to make a donation mail it to:

Ambulance Benefit Fund
C/O Cross Plains Public Library
P.O. Box 333

Cross Plains, Tx. 76443.

The following individuals contributed to the benefit:

James and Jean Alexander; Mr. and Mrs. Richard Ames; Colleen Anderson; Richard Angel; Charles W. Arledge; Mitchell Atchley; J.H. and Vida Balkum; Mr. and Mrs. Charles Barnes; Larry Barnett; Mary Bates; Bob Beckham (Beckham Ranch); Tom and Sue Bennett; Wallace and Carol Bennett; Jess and Hazel Bigbee; Arvin and Sarah Brashear; Kenneth D. Brooks; Zora Mae Bryant; Lanette Burns; Esther Byers; Velma Byers; O.B. and Blanche Byrd; Glenda Callaway; Rickey and Netha Carouth; Marciel Carthen; Ricardo and Judy Castanuela; Howard Chase; Bob and Lavonne Childress; Dr. and Mrs. Scott Childress; Tim and Denise Coulter; Leslie and Charlou Cowan; Jerry and Martha Crawford; Curtis and Barbie Creach (Cross Plains Veterinary Clinic); Oddie Dawkins; Bill and Carmelita DeHart; Menville Dillard; Donald and Doris Duke; Carl Edington; Howard and Debbie Edington; John L., Jr. Estes, D.D.S.; Mary Louise Fitzgerald; Thomas and Wanda Flippin; Lerlene Fortune; James and Paulette Foster; Louise Foster; Lois Garrett; Cody Golson, Liz Golson; Peggy Golson; Dick and Lou Grider; Era Lee Hanke; Jimmy and Patsy Harelik; Glen and Mardell Harnes; Deverel and Nancy Harp; Rodger and Regena Hart; Kerry and Joy Hedges; Franne Bennett Holton; Ken and Leslie Horan (KHL Oil and Gas Co.); Curt and Ginny Hoskins; Jerry and Elizabeth Hunsaker; Roy and Susan Hunter; B.F. and Elsie Hutchins; Ferne Hutchins; Vondal and Joyce Hutchins; Noah and Bobbie Johnson; Anne Eubank Jolliff; Ron Jones; Ronny and Terry Jordan; Mary Kasem; Jane Bonner Kelly; Lucille Kersh; John and Loraine Kilgore; Daisy King; Beth Kleiber; Dick and Sharon Koenig; Mike Lamb; Polly Lawson; Velma Lee; Byron McAnally; Vince Meiron; R.C. and Wanda Merryman; C.J. and Sharon Molesworth; Ike and Sue Neal; Royce and Bernice Newman; Franzel and Becky Odom; Joyce T. Odom; Nora Odom; J.M. Overman; Kathy (Churchill) Patterson; Charles and Linda Payne; Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Payne; John and Freida Pearson; Bob and Patsy Pipes; Robert Podlevski; Caroline Pollard; Bessie Pope; Jim Porter; Rick Potter; Melvin and Lisa Price; Rev. Mike and Sandy Redd; Bill and Charlsie Richardson; Mozelle Richardson; William and Barbara Robinson; Hollis Shults; Hollis and Cherry Shults; Homer and Fay Simons; Carl and Ileen Smith; Frankie Smith; Ron Smith; Mr. and Mrs. Farrell Stephens; Margaret Stewart; Donald Stover; Lovera Strickland; Mr. and Mrs. R.N. Tatom; Onis Taylor; A.F. Thate; Walter and Barbara Thomason; Leo Thompson; Don and Frances Thornton; Dick and Blanche Thrasher; Helen Trammell; Greg and Dannes Turner; Frances Tyson; Dana and Teresa Veteto; R.T. Watson; Robert and Dorothy Watson; Travis and Wanda Williams; Volley Williams; Lloyd and Ann Wilson; Carlton Winkles; James and Frances Wolf; Ray and Azalee Womack; Tom and Cathy Wood; Betty Yeager; William and Barbara; and Fred and Dorthie Zedlitz.

Art Club Meets Friday

The Cross Plains Paint and Palette Club will meet Friday, November 22, at 2 p.m. in the Multi-Purpose Center.

Please bring your paints, masonite, canvas, or backing of your choice to start working on some paintings for an upcoming April exhibit. We will give each other pointers and opinions, so we will glean new ideas.

I will be bringing the glazed picture demonstrated last year at the club's workshop and will receive your ideas and suggestions. This way we know something of public opinions.

Visitors are always welcome. For more information please call (254) 725-7421 or (254) 725-7235.

Submitted by Betty Beggs

Texas Heritage Bank

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COURTHOUSE NEWS

COUNTY COURT
Roger Corn, presiding

Misdemeanor Filings

Luis F. Monoz, driving while intoxicated (DWI).
Sayasak Phoumavongsa, DWI.
Randy McDaris, theft of property by check.
Charles A. Lewis, theft of property by check.

Misdemeanor Minutes

Kimberly Sue Lane, order revo-king probation granted.
Preston C. Bartlow, order revo-king probation granted.
Alfonso Baca, order extend- ing probation granted.
Michael Waterbury, plea of guilty to theft of property by check, \$50 fine, \$343 court costs, \$84.16 restitution.
Douglas Bishop, plea of guilty to theft of property by check, 6 month probation, \$50 fine, \$293 court costs, \$206 restitu- tion.
Douglas Bishop, transfer re- quest from Callahan Co. to Harris Co. granted.
Jama Lynn Bengen, motion to withdraw as surety and applica- tion for warrant granted.
Sayasak Phoumavongsa, plea of guilty to DWI - 2nd, 2 year probation, \$400 fine, \$218 court costs.
Sayasak Phoumavongsa, transfer request from Callahan Co. to Tom Green Co. granted.
Luis Monoz, plea of guilty to DWI - 1st, 10 days in jail, \$100 fine, \$218 court costs.

Vicky Robertson, plea of guilty to theft of property by check, \$50 fine, \$258 court costs, \$140 restitution.
End of term order discharging defendants under deferred ad- judication: Phillip Fuller, James Michael Tennison.
End of term order discharging defendants under misdemeanor probation: Larry Gene Harris.

Marriage Licenses

Christopher Scott Thurman and Tammy Rae Rogers, both of Clyde.

42nd DISTRICT COURT
John Weeks, presiding

Civil Filings

Jennifer Ann Fomby McDonald and Sammy Keith McDonald, divorce.
Debra Sue Mathis and Jeffery Paul Mathis, divorce.

Criminal Indictments

Roxanne R. Stoner, posses- sion of a controlled substance by fraud.
Alfonso R. Salazar, posses- sion of anhydrous ammonia in an unapproved container.
Michael W. Salazar, posses- sion of anhydrous ammonia in an unapproved container.
Robert L. Diaz, possession of anhydrous ammonia in an unapproved container.
John W. Freeman, posses- sion of anhydrous ammonia in an unapproved container.
Michael G. Bushell, DWI.
Kenneth L. Jones, DWI.

OBITUARIES

Howard L. Neeb

Howard Lee Neeb, age 69, of Windthorst, Texas passed away Tuesday, November 5, 2002, at a Wichita Falls hospital.

A vigil service will be held at 7 p.m. Thursday, November 7, 2002, at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Windthorst. A Concelebrated mass will be at 10:00 a.m. Friday, November 8, 2002, at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Windthorst with Rev. David Kraeger, pastor of St. Mary's Catholic Church, Rev. Aidan Donlon, Chaplain of United Regional Health Care Center, and Rev. John Swistovich, pastor of Our Lady Queen of Peace Catho- lic Church in Wichita Falls, offi- ciating. Interment was in St. Mary's Cemetery under the direc- tion of Aulds Funeral Home of Archer City.

Mr. Neeb, the son of Howard Wayne and Theola Payne Neeb, was born June 20, 1933 in Santa Anna, Texas. He and Tina Wolf were married November 27, 1954 at Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Wichita Falls.

A 1951 graduate of Cross Plains High School, he moved to Wichita Falls on a football schol- arship to Midwestern University. He graduated from Midwestern in 1955 with a Bachelor of Science Degree in Geology with a minor in Math. He was employed as a geologist for Core Laborato- ries, Inc. in Wichita Falls and Oklahoma City, Oklahoma from 1954 until 1961. He then returned to Midwestern in 1961 and re- ceived his teaching certification in 1962 and then became em- ployed by the Windthorst Inde- pendent School District. He served as a teacher of secondary math and science, coached in football, basketball, volleyball, track, golf and tennis, and was high school principal. He then served as superintendent for 25 years. After his retirement in 1994, he began coaching U.I.L. and Texas Math and Science Coaches Association Teams, and he tutored E.S.L. students. He had earned his Masters Degree in Education and English, and his superintendent certification from North Texas State University in Denton. During his career, he had served on the State Accreditation Committee for Public Schools, the Texas State Textbook Com- mittee, the Fort Worth Diocesan School Board for six years, and the Texas Association of School Boards.

Survivors include his wife, Tina, of Windthorst; two sons, H. Ted Neeb and wife, Vicki, of Windthorst, and Chris Neeb and wife, Kathy, of Wichita Falls; one daughter, Lori Stallcup and hus- band, Greg, of Scotland, Texas; two brothers, Charles of Fort Stockton and Monty Neeb of Stephenville; nine grandchildren, Scott, Thea, Kristen, Chrystal, Jeremy and Kaylee Neeb, Jessica Hoffman, Ellen and Alex Stallcup; one great-granddaugh- ter, Lynsey Neeb.

He was preceded in death by his parents, and a sister, Joyce Tay- lor, on January 11, 1987.

The family suggest memorial to the Windthorst I.S.D., P.O. Box 190, Windthorst, Texas 76389 for the Howard Neeb Education Fund, or the Notre Dame Catholic Schools Scholarship Fund, 2821 Lansing Blvd., Wichita Falls, Texas 76309 in honor of Howard Neeb.

Down Home—

it's not his truck, so you turn around and go back. Maybe he is hurt?? All he needs is a break- down. Sure enough, it's his truck and the U-joint is laying on the highway and you wonder how he got home. Oh, well, his work place is close so he could walk there easily.

*Finally you arrive at work, a tad late, but I always say, better late, than never. The rest of the day has to be better?????

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Cheryl Trenary

Cheryl Trenary, 54, of Tulsa, Oklahoma, and formerly of Cross Plains, passed away Thursday, November 7, 2002, at St. Francis Hospital in Tulsa, Oklahoma.

Services were held at 10:00 a.m. Monday, November 11, 2002, at Moore's Southlawn Chapel in Tulsa, Oklahoma.

Sheryl was born August 31, 1948 in St. Paul, Minnesota to Clyde and Elizabeth Melton.

She was co-owner of Trenary Technical Services in Tulsa, Oklahoma. Cheryl was a member of the Order of Eastern Star.

Survivors include her husband, Ronald Trenary, of Tulsa, Okla- homa; a son, Scott Joseph Trenary, of Tulsa, Oklahoma; her mother, Liz Melton, of Cross Plains, Texas; a brother, Tom Melton of Cross Plains, Texas; and several other relatives.

She was preceded in death by her father, Clyde, in October 2000, and a brother, Richard.

The family suggests memorial contributions be made to the Pal- liative Care Unit at St. Francis Hospital, 6161 South Yale, Tulsa, Oklahoma 74136.

De Louise Merris

De Louise Merris passed away on November 1, 2002, at a nurs- ing home in San Angelo, Texas.

Graveside services were held at 2 p.m. Saturday, November 2, 2002, at Wayside Cemetery (12 miles west of San Angelo) with Matthew Tonne, son of John Tonne, officiating, under the di- rection of Johnson's Funeral Home of San Angelo.

De Louise was born July 11, 1923 to Lonnie and Ida Gray, formerly of the Pioneer Commu- nity.

Survivors include three daugh- ters, Sandra Gail Merris of Cali- fornia, Flasha Merris of Wash- ington and Dorothy Merilyn Golson of Cross Plains; two sis- ters, Lorene Gray Arledge and Mozelle Gray Tonne, both of San Angelo; six grandchildren, three great-grandchildren; and nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Dear Editor,

Mr. Ray Moody, 83, of the Nimrod Community, was re- ported missing Monday, Novem- ber 4th, at which time he left his billfold and check book lying on the kitchen table when he left in his pickup truck.

When his wife came home from visiting her children she discov- ered he was gone and called his son and daughter-in-law, Mike and Wanda Moody, also of the Nimrod Community.

They started a search by con- tacting friends, neighbors, family and the Eastland County Police Department. Due to the fact that Mr. Moody is an adult, the police department couldn't do anything for 72 hours. So friends, neigh- bors and family members started to search for him.

Since the search didn't locate him, they passed out flyers with his picture on Wednesday, No- vember 6th. They contacted tele- vision stations and Eastland County Police Department with urgency at this time.

Mr. Moody was found Wednes- day afternoon thanks to Erwin Clark of Cross Plains. Clark saw the flyer that was posted at Higginbotham's and remembered seeing the truck. Moody was found in his truck, stuck in the mud, on a dead end road. He was taken to the Eastland hospital.

Ray Moody, his family and the Nimrod Community would like to acknowledge and thank Erwin Clark for his help.

Ray was transferred to Hendrick Medical Center for ex- tensive tests last Sunday and is resting comfortable at this time.

Sincerely,
Eva McGough

Higginbotham Funeral Home Christmas Memorial Program

As a service to the families of Cross Plains and surrounding communities, Higginbotham Fu- neral Home will present our Fourth Annual Christmas Memo- rial Program, Tuesday, Decem- ber 3, from 6 to 7 p.m. in Higginbotham Funeral Home Chapel of Cross Plains.

The holiday period is especially painful for those reflecting on past losses at this traditionally family time of year. It is hoped that this Memorial Program will help people reach out to each other and provide comfort and healing at this holiday season. Our speaker this year will be Ronnie White of First Baptist Church.

If Higginbotham Funeral Home of Cross Plains has served your family during the past year, an ornament in memory of your loved one will be mailed to your

family. A Christmas tree, on which these memorial ornaments may be hung, will be in the chapel of Higginbotham Funeral Home.

If Higginbotham Funeral Home has NOT served your family dur- ing the past year and you would like a memorial ornament in memory of your loved one, please contact Higginbotham Funeral Home at (254) 725-6153 on or before November 22, 2002. Your ornament will be available for your family the night of the Mem- orial Program.

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Cross Plains Cemetery Association Report For The Month Of October 2002

Donations & Earnings	
I/M W.V. & Viola Strength by J.B. Strength	\$ 50.00
Hollis Shults, Sr.	25.00
Paul & Dorothy Champion-Wagner	25.00
Interest Added to Acct.	1.29
Totals	\$ 101.29
Grave Opening Permits	
Higginbotham Funeral Home for Sheila Brooks & Hulén Barr	\$150.00
1-Permit by James B. Strength	75.00
1-Permit by Merlin Franke	75.00
Higginbotham Funeral Home for Vera Belveu	75.00
Total:	\$ 375.00

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COTTONWOOD BAPTIST CHURCH

Sunday School.....	9:45 A.M.
Morning Worship.....	11:00 A.M.
Evening Service.....	6:00 P.M.
Wednesday Bible Study & Prayer Time.....	7:00

Matt McGowen, Pastor (254) 725-4599
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SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP.....11:00 A.M.
Pastor: Carl Mauldin
Come Worship With Us!

NIMROD BAPTIST CHURCH
Sponser: Pioneer Baptist Church

Sunday School.....	10:00 A.M.
Sunday Morning Worship.....	11:00 A.M.
Sunday Evening Worship.....	6:00 P.M.

Bill Armstrong - Pastor

Our Church Is A House Of Prayer

Sunday Morning Bible Study.....	10:00 AM
Morning Worship.....	11:00 AM
Evening Worship.....	6:00 PM
Wednesday Night Bible Study.....	7:00 PM

Cornerstone Bible Church
832 Ave. E Cross Plains, TX
DONALD DUKE - PASTOR

Community Wide Thanksgiving Service at FBC Nov. 17, 6 p.m.

"Come Worship with us!"

9:45 a.m. Sunday School
11:00 a.m. Sunday Worship
6:00 p.m. Sun. Evening Worship
7:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer/Worship

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Worship - 10:45 a.m.
Rev. C. Michael Redd, Pastor

Sunday's Sermon Eternity?

GARDEN TIP OF THE MONTH

BY WANDA HÄMMELE

Have your spring bulbs planted by the end of November. Plant according to direction for each kind, remembering the bottom of the hole is more important than the top. If soil doesn't drain well, put in gravel, add about 3 inches of soil, sprinkle soil with bone meal. Put in bulbs, cover with soil, water and add 4 to 5 inches of mulch on top. When digging the holes visu-

alize beautiful bouquets in your spring garden. Plant in that pattern.

Store your Terra Cotta pots indoors or cover with a tarp outdoors. The moisture, freezing and thawing is what causes them to crumble and break.

Check pot plants inside and out for standing water. Excess water standing in pots will rot your plants.

RISEING STAR NURSING CENTER

This week at the center we honored Veterans Victor Long and Jack Smith. Both these gentlemen served in World War II. Victor was a Sergeant in the Army and Jack a Lt. Colonel in the Air Force. During our ceremony we played the song "America the Beautiful" and residents and staff recited the Pledge of Allegiance. We are proud of our Veterans!!! Thanks to Gene Moore for coming by to entertain the residents

with his piano playing. It was great as usual.

We elected two new officers for our Resident Council. The President is Rozell Gary, formerly of Cross Plains, and the Vice President is Roby Kornegay. We know both these ladies will do a fine job.

Also thanks to Terry Harris for the delicious turkey dinners he brought in for our residents Saturday.

Be on lookout for C.P. Chuparasos Chapter of the Red Hat Society

Rumor has it those ladies who wear those red hats and purple shirt/dresses have been seen in the proximity of Cross Plains. Our informer has told us they have been spotted at the library, the market, Dairy Queen and recently were even observed in Cottonwood.

Our spotters have estimated that at the rate they are moving and the direction they are traveling, they should arrive on the steps of the Senior Citizens Center on or

about noon, Tuesday, November 19th.

It is believed that the aroma of chicken and dumplings are attracting them.

Any ladies who wear a red hat and a purple dress on that day should be very careful, you may be tempted to join them. Once you have caught the "Red Hat Fever" there is no turning back.

Submitted by Barbara Powell Exhausted Queen Mother

SENIOR CITIZENS MENU

November 18- November 22

MONDAY--Fish Sticks, Cole-slaw, Baked Beans, Hushpuppies, Lemon Pudding, Milk
TUESDAY--Chicken & Dumplings, Tossed Salad, Peas & Carrots, Cookie, Bread, Milk
WEDNESDAY-- Hamburger, Lettuce/Tomatoes, Onions/Pickles, Pork-n-beans, Tator Tots, Apricot Crisp, Milk

THURSDAY--Chicken Breast w/gravy, Cornbread Dressing, Green Beans, Yam Patties, Fruit Salad, Roll, Milk
FRIDAY--Sloppy Joe on Bun, Baked Beans, Pickles/Onions, Pineapple, Cookie, Milk

OFFICE SUPPLIES AT THE CROSS PLAINS REVIEW

BREAKTHRU

By Bob Pipes
Cross Plains Church of Christ
433 N. Main
(254) 725-6117

A very exasperated mother whose son was always getting into mischief finally asked him, "How do you expect to get into heaven if you keep acting like that?" The boy thought for a moment, then replied, "Well, I'll run in and out, in and out, in and out, slamming the door every time until God says, 'For heaven's sake, come in or stay out!' Then I'll go in and stay."

That may be a bit amusing but it "ain't" real! For us today, under Christ's New Covenant, God has a plan of salvation that doesn't vary. From the very beginning of the church on the Pentecost of AD 33, Acts 2, His plan of salvation has been a faith response of "repenting and being baptized (immersed) in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins," Acts 2:38.

Well it's an "argument" or "debate" that continues in some religious circles: "Is baptism necessary unto salvation?" Some argue will revert to a hypothetical case rather than scripture, asking, "Well what if someone were on their way to be baptized and got killed along the way before getting to the baptistry?" I honestly don't know. To be perfectly honest though, I've never really ever heard of that happening, have you? If it were to, I'll leave that one up to God to call—and that might be "an exception to the rule." But the rule is, having believed, obey with faith response by repenting and being baptized.

Come worship and serve God with us as we strive to listen to and obey His word in regard to all religious matters. We really do care about you, too.

Sunday Morning Bible Class...9:45a.m. Sunday Evening Worship...6:00p.m.
Sunday Morning Worship...10:45a.m. Wed. Evening Bible Study...7:00p.m.
Friends & Neighbors Caring In Jesus

COTTONWOOD NEWS

BY WALLACE BENNETT

Edwin Eugene Wilcoxon Buried at Cottonwood
Relatives and friends of Gene Wilcoxon are saddened and in mourning to note his death and burial at Cottonwood Cemetery recently. His family has shared a poem Gene wrote.

"Our Friends"

By Edwin Eugene Wilcoxon

The greatest friend we have is God,
He fills our hearts with strength,
And leads a guiding hand while
Down life's weary road we tread.

Our father and our mother both
Teach us right from wrong,
But, oft' times we do not heed them,
And, find trouble; it doesn't take long.

When you are downhearted and feel
That there is no one to care,
You can find comfort and relief
If you will talk to God in prayer.

A true friend is more precious
Than pots of shining gold,
And it makes not any difference,
If our friends are young or old.

God is our dearest friend,
He walks with us each day,
Before we lay us down to rest,
We should never forget to pray.

Our friends are all worth keeping,
Not one do we want to lose.
Don't fail to oblige them when,
A helping hand they can use.

If you see a friend in trouble,
Be it a woman or a man,
No matter how big a hurry,
Lend them a helping hand.

Jesus is our Savior and,
Jesus is our friend,
Through Him we can talk to God,
And ask forgiveness for our sin.
Amen!

Cottonwood Christmas Party Carded for Dec. 10th
Please mark your calendar now for December 10, at 7:00 p.m. to set aside this evening for you and your family to enjoy a great time of Christmas celebration. The Cottonwood Community will hold its annual Christmas Party at the community center.

Everyone is invited. The schedule is not completed as yet, but the planners are busy as quilting bees and we will have a great time of Christmas caroling, stories and good cheer. Please mark it (your calendar now). I have.

(If you have information for this column or of interest to the Cottonwood Community, please contact Wallace Bennett at (254) 725-7474.

CROSS PLAINS GARDEN CLUB

BY Joyce Odom

The Cross Plains Garden Club met for their regular monthly session at the Multi-Purpose Center on November 8th.

Barbara Powell, president, called the meeting to order and asked Mary Ella Weaver, program chairman, to introduce the program entitled "Share Your Perennials", presented by Eva Fleming. She gave an interesting program telling about the cultivation and growing of perennials in her yard. She also had a number of specimens to show as well.

Mary Ella then showed pictures of her sister's yard, Billie Kelly of Cottonwood. It was perfectly beautiful. She had a book outlining ideas for growing and landscaping yards to feature perennials. Eva passed out a wildflower catalogue from "Wildseed Farms at Fredericksburg. This catalogue will be very helpful in identifying wildflowers for the members.

The business meeting was held and Bob Powell read the minutes of the previous meeting. Julene Franke, treasurer, gave a financial report. Wanda Martin volunteered to send out cards to maintain our project of "Keep Your Chin Up".

The roll call was "show and tell" which was interesting and well responded to. We also had a plant and seed exchange. Wanda Martin reported on the progress of getting our Garden Club "Wel-

come" sign painted on the reverse side. Bob Golson is to do this work.

Barbara Powell appointed Mary Ella Weaver and Joyce Odom to help judge the History of District VIII books.

Mary Ella Weaver conducted the door prize which was a tray won by Eva Fleming.

Bob Powell reported on the District VIII Fall Meeting held at Stamford on November 2nd. He and Barbara attended and they noted that 50 were in attendance. Wanda Sparkman of Odessa presented the Program of Designs that afternoon. They reported an enjoyable day.

The meeting adjourned to reconvene December 13, at 10 a.m. At that time they will car pool to the Abilene Zoo, have lunch and go on a tour of greenhouses.

Refreshments were served from a table decorated with a Thanksgiving theme with pumpkins and gourds. Mary Ella had a beautiful fall tree that was lighted. A dried fruit tray, relish tray and pumpkin cake were served. Julene and Barbara were hostesses.

Members present were Evan Fleming, Helen Tillotson, Mary Ella Weaver, Mary Crockett, Betty Beggs, Audrey Lovett, Wanda Hammel, Barbara and Bob Powell, Julene Franke, Wanda Martin and Joyce Odom.

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QUIPS, CLIPS & COMMENTS

BY KAY MOSLEY

Note: Saturday, November 2nd found Mr. and Mrs. Robert (Bob and Barbara) Powell in Stamford attending the District VIII meeting of the Texas Garden Clubs. Barbara is presently president of the Cross Plains Garden Club and Bob is past president. They live in the Pioneer vicinity. We plan to report on the meeting in this column next week. The meeting was open to all garden club members, however, none of the other members were able to attend this year.

"Here's Looking Atcha..."

There is a large number of things happening right now in America. One item is the election returns are being given on the television for governor, senate, etc. As far as that goes, we couldn't even begin to list all those happenings here. Some things occurring are good, some are bad and though we often try to erase them from our minds, some are absolutely atrocious.

To say the least, yes, there are a great number in between good and bad, right and wrong, cool and uncouth. One which immediately comes to mind is the sniper situation in and around Washington D.C., Maryland and Virginia. We don't like it, but we must face the facts; someone whether American or No was terrorizing American citizens. Thankfully

they have now been apprehended--two Americans.

Speaking of facing it, when I forced my eyelids open early this morning, what-a-ya think I saw facing me? Through nature's dark gloom, amid the changing of ethereal shadows, two gigantic, luminous eyes, glaring and peering right at me.

First, I closed my eyes in an effort to be rid of them, just to make them go away. But in the next minute, as I reopened my eyes; I could see they were still there, looking at me, still trying to stare me down.

Hastily, I slunk down under the covers, head and ears; and lay there cringing beneath the blankets. What kind of monster was this and what is it doing in our bedroom?

Finally in pure desperation, I threw back the bed covers, and speedily sat up, grabbed my water mug and drank from it lustily. That seemed to put some starch back in my backbone and clear my sleepy, hazy vision.

Oh, yes, the monster turned out to be nothing more than the bookcase, on the top shelf was the computer screen on one end and the small T.V. on the other corner. But I swear on stack of pancakes those screens looked like two eyes luminescent ones; square tho' they were.....

LIBRARY NOTES

Well, the library had a great meeting today to elect officers for 2003 and to create a "Friends of the Library" group. Some of the library board prepared a lot of goodies for lunch. All went well. Now we are ready for more and more good things.

Great things are happening all the time with donations and grants, but what I'm talking about will be visible. Like the building next doors I expect it to be finished, with a lovely children's room. (I have a feeling that I might want to change residence!) Come on. You'll like what you see. Then you can dream with us

about the next step. Seriously, come on down. We're open Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Just browse. Ooh and ah about all the "stuff". Check out a book or try a computer. Become a "Friend of the Library". You'll like this bunch.

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C.P. STUDENT REVIEW



VARSITY BUFFALOES BREAK FROM ACTION

The Buffaloes' 2002 Season Ended Last Friday Evening

The Buffaloes end the season with a loss to the Ranger Bulldogs. The Buffs came out and moved the ball on the first drive of the game. The 68 yard drive, stalled on the Bulldogs 18 yard line. The Buffs settled for a 28 yard field goal by Cole Koenig. This gave the Buffs the 3-0 lead with 4:48 remaining in the 1st quarter.

The Bulldogs then scored on all

three of their first half drives. Also adding a 2-point conversion bringing them to a 22-3 lead at half.

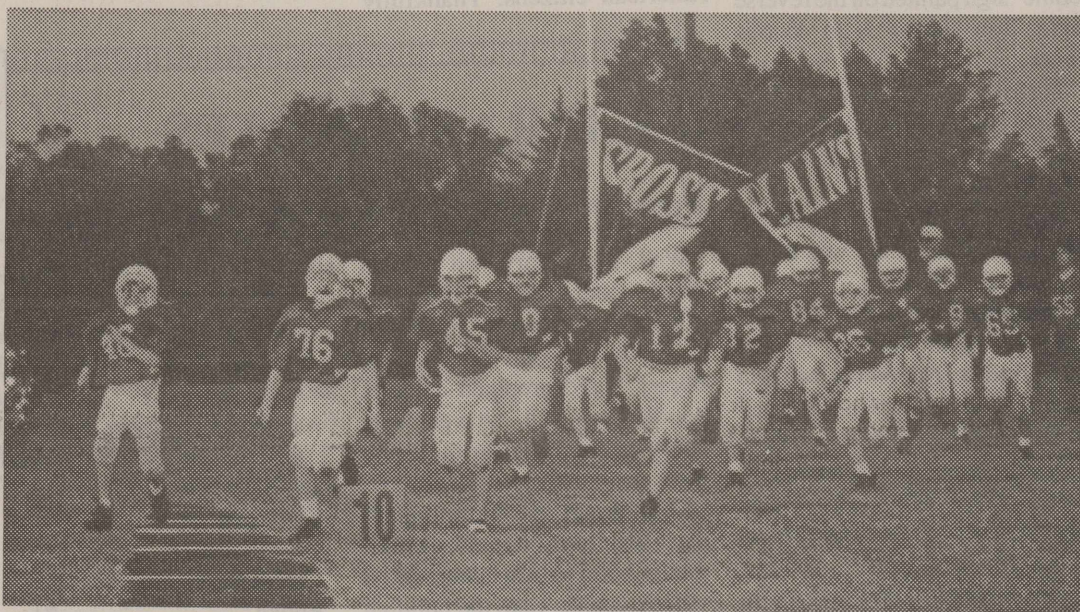
In the second half the Buffaloes just couldn't stop the Bulldogs attack. The Buffs gave up three more touchdowns and a 2-point conversion in the second half. The Buffs just couldn't find a grip, ending the 2002 season with a 44-3 loss.

Individual Stats

Rushing
Dusty Purvis 14-44 yds
Colby Barton 4-2 yds
Dusty Dickson 6-11 yds
Jose Mauricio 4-7 yds
Thomas Dimitri 1-0 yds

Passing
Dusty Dickson 4-11-1-84 yds
Michael Allen 1-2-14 yds

Receiving
Casey Pack 1-41 yds
Chris Harris 3-45 yds
Colby Barton 1-12 yds



JUNIOR HIGH BUFFS RUSH THE FIELD FOR FINAL GAME

Junior High Buffs Complete Season With a Win at Ranger

The Junior High Buffs went out with a great win and an exciting one. The captains for the week were all eighth graders: Clay Koenig, Russell Thomas, Justin Dickson, Sean Williams, Zachary Bennett, Dalton Carpenter, Steve Garrett, Tony Gonzales, Jonathan Hopkins, Brock Cooper and Chris McBride. The team ended up 3 and 2 in district.

On the Buffs first play Koenig connected with Dickson and Gonzales for 30 yards, with a final pitch-out to Thomas who took it in for the 6 points.

In the second quarter Koenig passed to Dickson for 15 yards, but the Buffs turned over the ball on the 3rd down. The Bulldogs took over to finish out the 2nd quarter. The score was 6-0 at the half in favor of Cross Plains.

The halftime featured the crowning of the Football Sweethearts and recognition of Super Buffalo.

The Bulldogs kicked off to the Buffs. Cross Plains had to punt.

The Bulldogs drove up the field but had to punt. The punt was blocked by Koenig and Gonzales recovered the ball on the 15 yard line with only 1:59 remaining in the 3rd quarter.

Ranger scored on a long run and the game was tied 6-6. After the kick-off the Buffs fumbled with only 1:40 left in the 3rd quarter and the Bulldogs recovered the ball on the Buffs 40 yard line. Ranger pulled off a big score, but the Buffs stopped the point after.

With only 2:45 remaining in the 4th quarter the Buffs dig their feet in and drive the ball all the way for another 6 points from Thomas. The score is tied again at 12-12.

After the kickoff the Bulldogs had to turn the ball over on downs. Thomas scored again on a 33 yard run. Koenig connected with McBride for the two-point conversion and the final score was Buffs 20 Bulldogs 12.

Individual Stats

J. Melton - 7 tackles, 1 assist
C. Koenig - 6 tackles, 2 assists,
1 carry - 3 yds.

J. Dickson - 4 tackles, 2 assists,
1 carry - 6 yds
J. Callaway - 4 tackles, 1 assist,
1 carry - 3 yds
R. Thomas - 3 tackles, 2 assists,
12 carries - 164 yds
Z. Bennett - 3 tackles, 1 assist
A. Gonzales - 3 tackles, 1 assist
D. Carpenter - 1 tackle, 1 assist
R. Daniels - 1 tackle, 1 assist,
2 carries - 13 yds
J. Westerman - 1 tackle
J. Daniels - 1 tackle
S. Williams - 1 tackle.

Congratulations to all the 8th graders for a fine job and good luck on high school next year.

The Junior High boys won't be slowing down, as they start basketball Monday and play Baird Thursday at Baird.

Christmas Band Store Upcoming Please Help!!!!!!

It is time for the Band Booster Christmas Store. It will be open on December 16, 17 and 18.

They are asking all band parents to bring 12 items per family.

If anyone in the community would like to help with this you may. This will be for the Pre-K through 6th graders to do their Christmas shopping.

It's Not Too LATE to Register for GIRL SCOUTS

It is time for Girl Scouts! You can still register at our next meeting on Tuesday, November 19. The registration fee is \$7.00 per girl.

The Daisies will meet from 4-5 p.m. for ages 5 years --Pre-K and Kindergarten.

Brownies will meet from 5-6 p.m. for ages 6-10, grades 1st through 3rd.

Both meetings will be held at the Multi-Purpose Center.

If you are interested in starting an older division troop, either be at a meeting or call Kala Stout at (254) 725-7150.

ASU College Days Program Schedule for Fall, Spring Semesters

Three "College Days" programs have been set by Angelo State University to offer prospective students a chance to sample the ASU experience during dates once in the fall and twice in the spring.

College Days programs are scheduled November 16, February 15 and April 5 on the ASU campus. Programs will begin each of those Saturdays with check-in at 9:30 a.m. in the Houston Harte University Center at 1910 Rosemont.

Each session will include a welcome a ASU President James Hindman, a tour of campus, a free lunch and an ASU Expo to allow prospective students and their parents to visit with faculty from academic fields of interest as well as representatives of numerous ASU offices and organizations.

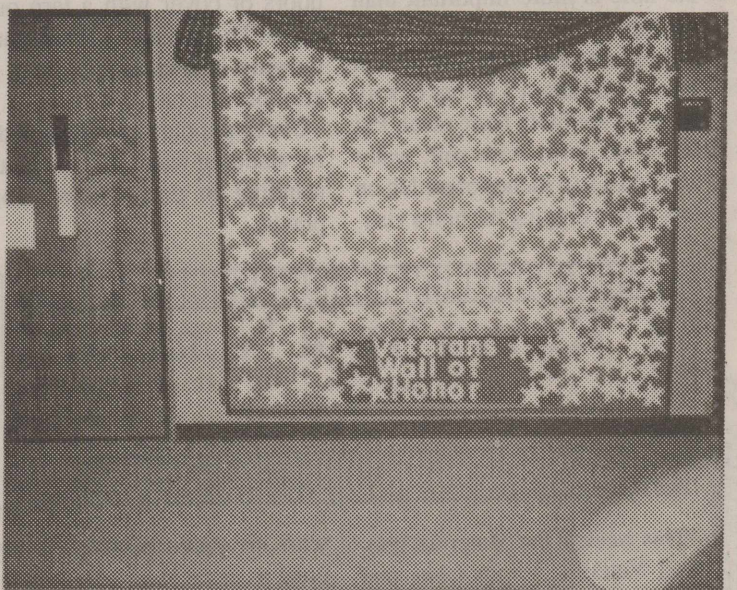
In addition to the programs on academics and student life at ASU, participants at each College Days session will have the opportunity to attend an ASU event. On November 16, students and their families will receive complimentary admission to the 2 p.m. ASU football game against Texas A&M-Kingsville in San Angelo Stadium. On February 15 College Days participants will be provided free tickets to Rambelle and Ram basketball games, also against Texas A&M-Kingsville. On April 5 College Days participants will be invited to attend the ASU Jazz Festival.

For more information on College Days, contact the Office of Admissions at (915) 942-2058.

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ELEMENTARY EXTRA

BY NANCY RANDOLPH



C.P. ELEMENTARY HONOR VETERANS WITH A WALL OF HONOR

As the 2nd six weeks came to a close, the character counts assembly was held Friday morning, November 8. The focus was respect. Respect for parents, teachers, and friends were emphasis during the week. The assembly's veteran's day play by the 6th grade GT students and Mrs. Morgan did a great job of discussing what a veteran is and why we celebrate Veteran's Day. The school has also made a wall of stars recognizing family members of the elementary students that served in wars. Come by and see the wall. The elementary teachers would like to thank everyone for returning their star forms. A special pat on the back to Mrs. Hunter, Mrs., Clausen, and Mrs. Wheeler for organizing this six weeks assembly. They did a great job along with Mrs. Sowell, Mrs. Purvis, and Mrs. Walker in providing great music. Adults and students leaned a great deal about our armed forces.

The good behavior carnival celebrated great behavior for the 2nd six weeks, Friday, November 8. The students had a great time. Mrs. Stover, Mrs. Nickerson, Mrs. Tension worked very hard to organize everything and the popcorn bars were delicious. The teachers appreciate all the parents that came and assisted in running booths or providing prizes for the booths. Fun was had throwing balls and rings at hoops, cones, and bears, walking around chairs and circles, picking suckers and ducks, driving cars, and getting one's face painted.

Remind your child that this is a new six weeks with a clean behavior report. Most students missing the behavior party need to work on getting to classes on time and doing their homework. The teachers would love to have 100% participation in the party.

This 3rd six weeks behavior party will be a big treat. The students will be treated to a coke and popcorn party while watching a movie on a big screen TV on Thursday, December 19.

The UIL District contest will be held on November 19 and 21 in Baird. Coaches named their teams last week. Please study with your child. A permission slip note will be sent home with instructions about times of contests and a discussion of leaving and returning times. Please make sure your child dresses appropriately. The students are representing the school so the school's dress code must be followed.

The last water buffalo was Delaney Ames. The elementary has had a great time attending this years pop rallies. The elementary still has a few cheer beads left. They begin selling basketball one's at the home games for the junior high and high school. The beads are only solid colored. They will sell for \$2.00 each.

Parents and grandparents are invited to come up to the school the Wednesday, November 20. The elementary library will host a book fair. These books will make great Christmas or birthday gifts. The books will be paperback and hardback. Books will be available for all age groups. There will also be pencils, bookmarks, and posters. Please come support the elementary library.

The elementary office would like to remind parent's that students will have no school the entire week of November 25-29. Teachers will be inservice meetings on Monday and Tuesday and everyone will be out on Wednesday-Friday for the Thanksgiving Holiday. The Pre-Kindergarten will also have a parent conference day on Thursday, November 21. Classes will not be held that day for the Pre-Kindergarten.

Deadline for Service Academy Appointments

WASHINGTON, D.C.—Congressman Charles W. Stenholm has announced that the deadline for applications to the United States Service Academies is just one month away.

The deadline to apply to any service academy through Congressman Stenholm's office is December 1, 2002. Interested individuals are encouraged to contact the Washington office as soon as possible.

Eligible applicants must be at least 17 but not past their 23rd birthday, and need to have graduated from high school by June 30, 2003. They must also be single with no dependents and be a legal resident of the 17th District.

Competitive applicants should be in the top 15 percent of their class. They need to have SAT scores above 550 Verbal and 600 Math or ACT scores of 26 English and 27 Math. Involvement in extracurricular activities, including school and community organizations and sports as well as full or part-time employment is also in the

applicant's favor. The Congressman will be making nominations for appointments to the Air Force

Academy at Colorado Springs, CO; the Military Academy at West Point, NY; the Naval Academy at Annapolis, MD; and the Merchant Marine Academy at Kings Point, NY.

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Applicants who wish to serve as commissioned officers are strongly encouraged to contact Jayne Schoonmaker in Congressman Stenholm's Washington office at 202/225-8119, 1211 Longworth HOB, Washington, D. C. 20515.

Nominees will be announced in late December.

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JUNIOR HIGH FOOTBALL SWEETHEARTS—Karen Scott (from left) and Mykea Douglass.



MOMS DEMONSTRATE THE "COTTON-EYED JOE" AT BUFFALO STOMP

Junior High Sweethearts Super Buffalo Chosen

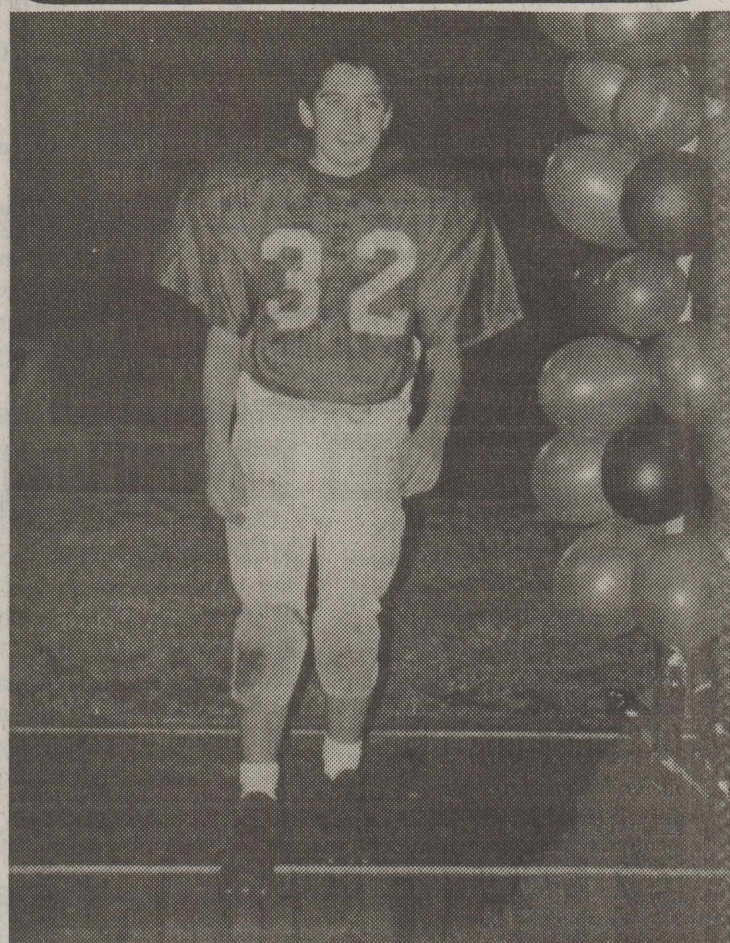
The Junior High Buffaloes ended their season with a thrilling win Thursday night, crowned the sweethearts and had great fun at the Buffalo Stomp get-together after the game.

Karen Scott, daughter of Greg and Liz Hutchins and Ronnie and Bonnie Scott and Mykea Douglass, daughter of Frankie and Kelli Hyles tied for sweetheart and were presented beautiful gold mums. Sean Williams was chosen Super Buffalo for the year and received an arm garter and a buffalo keepsake. Sean is the son of Stacey and Billy Lee.

The other nominees for sweetheart were Hailey Biggs, daughter of Robert and Charlotte Lee and the late Delbert Biggs; Macayla Cook, daughter of Jim and Patricia Cook; Christi Burhus, daughter of James and Helen Cowan; Tiffany Walker, daughter of Mike and Tonja Walker. All of the nominees are members of the JH Cheerleading Squad who worked enthusiastically providing spirit for the JH Buffs this season.

Nominees for the Super Buffalo were Russell Thomas, son of Jackie Dale and Roxie Thomas; Clay Koenig, son of Lynn and Teresa Koenig; Justin Dickson, son of Dennis and Bonnie Dickson; Tony Gonzalez, son of Fred and Esther Fleming; Cody Baker, son of Randy and LeeAnn Baker; Colton Manley, son of Danny and Lana Manley.

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SUPER BUFFALO— Sean Williams.

Region XIV Education Service Center's Alternative Certification Program Told

Applications for the Region 14 Education Service Center's 2003-2004 Alternative Certification Program for certification of special education teachers will be accepted from December 2, 2002 - February 26, 2003. The program allows college graduates wanting to be special education teachers to earn certification as they train and teach full time, serving as interns with mentor teachers in area school districts. Participants complete course work and training in the spring and summer prior to entering the classroom. During the internship year, further college course work and training is continued.

Applicants are selected from those meeting the following admission requirements:

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- * Attained a minimum of 2.5 grade point average overall OR 2.75 on the last 60 hours.

*Earned at least passing scores on the Texas Academic Skills Program (TASP).

* Acceptable score on a critical thinking test administered at Region XIV ESC.

* Completion of an interview process.

Those who are interested in applying for the training program must have passed the TASP (Texas Academic Skills Program). The latest possible administration that an applicant can take the test and still be eligible for acceptance into the program is March 1, 2003. Registration deadline for that test in January 31, 2003.

The teaching certificate enables recipients to teach anywhere in Texas in special education in grades Pre-K-Grade 12. Reciprocity is available in some other states.

For more information on Region 14's program contact: John Stevens (915) 675-8630.

Governor proclaims November Home Care and Hospice Month

Governor Rick Perry honored thousands of care providers who take care of elderly and disabled Texans in their homes by designating November as Home Care Month and Hospice Month.

"Home Care and Hospice are the heart and soul of health care in this state and the nation serving persons of all ages who are ill, infirm, disabled, or dying—providing necessary treatment, care, and supports which allow them to remain at home with their loved ones," said Anita Bradberry, Executive Director of the Texas Association for Home Care (TAHC).

Home care and hospice can delay or prevent the need for institutional care or utilization of emergency rooms. Health experts agree that people who are able to stay in their homes enjoy the option of having this kind of health care and respond better to treatment.

In his proclamation, Governor Perry recognized the Texas Association for Home Care as an organization "working to keep Texans proud and independent." He also said "the support network formed by this dedicated group will continue to play a vital role in health care delivery for many Texans."

Ms. Bradberry said she hopes the designation of November as National Home Care and Hospice Month will raise the public's awareness of the options they have in caring for their loved ones.

"We also hope that the lawmakers who will assemble in Austin this January will gain a better understanding of the place home care and hospice have in the health delivery system and not cut funding to these valuable programs in trying to balance the budget," said Bradberry. There are currently 50,000 persons eligible for nursing home level of care who are on waiting lists for Medicaid funded home care services in Texas.



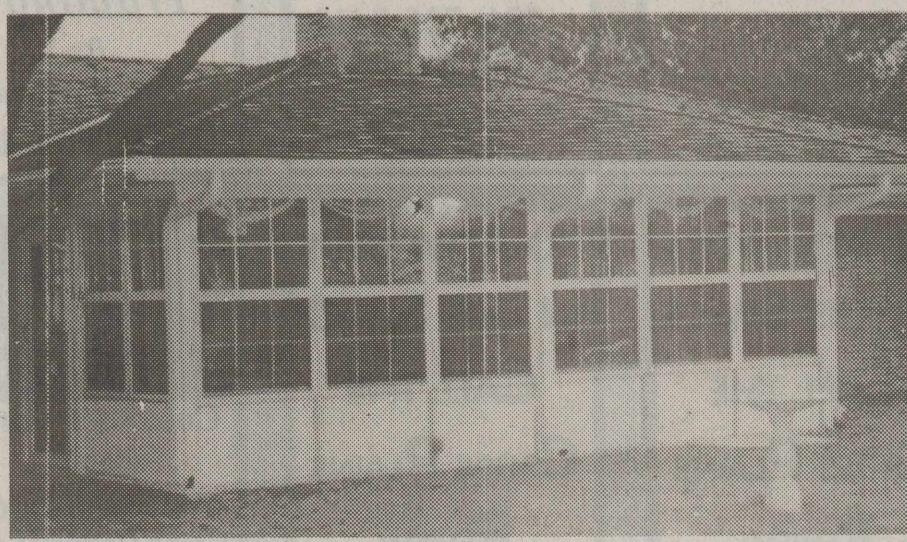
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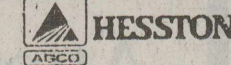


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- * 185/A in North Brown County, 2 stock ponds, water line, on pavement, wooded, creek some cultivation. Good hunting & fishing! \$750/A
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- * 285/A near Rising Star, costal , good fences, Hwy frontage, \$1,200/A Call Pauline.
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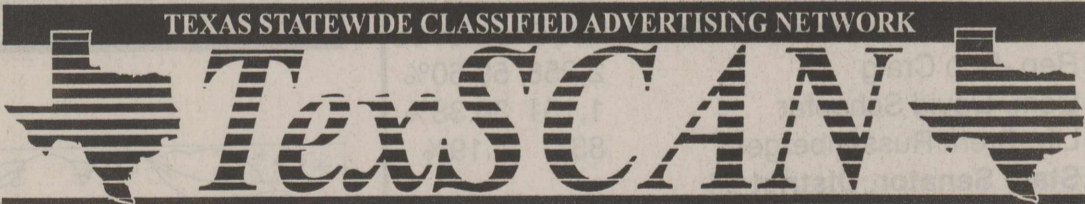


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Callahan County November 5, 2002 General Election Results

State Representative, District 53		
Rep.-Harvey Hlderbran	2,681	70.77%
Dem.-James E. Harrell	404	10.66%
Justice, 11th Court of Appeals District		
Rep.-Jim R. Wright	2,860	75.50%
County Judge		
Dem.-Roger Corn	2,598	68.58%
District Clerk		
Dem.-Sharon Owens	2,566	67.74%
County Clerk		
Dem.-Jeanie Bohannon	2,564	67.68%
County Treasurer		
Dem.-Dianne Alexander	2,530	66.78%
County Commissioner, Precinct #2		
Rep.-Roland Lane	411	44.57%
Dem.-Bryan Farmer	489	53.03%
County Commissioner, Precinct #4		
Dem.-Charlie Grider	599	63.31%
Justice of Peace, Precinct #1		
Rep.-Roy Chapman	1,038	54.97%
Dem.-Eston Shelnut	800	42.37%
Justice of Peace, Precinct #3		
Dem.-Steve Odom	667	69.91%
Justice of Peace, Precinct #4		
Rep.-Roland Jones	734	77.58%
Amendment No. 1		
For	2,172	57.33%
Against	533	14.07%
Commissioner of Agriculture		
Rep.-Susan Combs	2,675	70.61%
Dem.-Tom Ramsay	983	24.36%
Lib.-Vincent J. May	41	1.08%
Grn.-Jane Woodward Ellosseff	28	0.73%
Railroad Commissioner		
Rep.-Michael L. Williams	2,114	55.80%
Dem.-Sherry Boyles	1,405	37.09%
Lib.-Nazirite Flores Perez	49	1.29%
Grn.-Charles L. Mauch	31	0.81%
Chief Justice, Supreme Court		
Rep.-Tom Phillips	2,413	68.80%
Dem.-Richard G. Baker	1,073	28.29%
Lib.-Eugene J. Flynn	72	1.90%
Justice, Supreme Court, Place 1		
Rep.-Mike Schneider	2,356	62.19%
Dem.-Linda Yanez	948	25.02%
Lib.-Quanah Parker	258	6.81%
Justice, Supreme Court, Place 2		
Rep.-Dale Wainwright	2,318	61.03%
Dem.-Jim Parsons	1,157	30.54%
Grn.-Brad Rockwell	60	1.58%
Justice, Supreme Court, Place 3		
Rep.-Wallace B. Jefferson	2,319	61.21%
Dem.-William E. Moody	1,168	30.83%
Justice, Supreme Court, Place 4		
Rep.-Steven Wayne Smith	2,303	60.79%
Dem.-Margaret Mirabal	1,191	31.44%
Judge, Court of Criminal Appeals, Place 1		
Rep.-Tom Price	2,484	63.46%
Dem.-John W. Bull	1,004	26.50%
Lib.-Stephan Kinsella	71	1.87%
Grn.-Robert Q. (Rob) Owen	49	1.29%
Judge, Court of Criminal Appeals, Place 2		
Rep.-Paul Womack	2,394	63.19%
Dem.-Pat Montgomery	1,104	29.14%
Judge, Court of Criminal Appeals, Place 3		
Rep.-Cathy Cochran	2,486	65.62%
Dem.-J.R. Molina	953	25.15%
Grn.-Ollie Ruth Jefferson	48	1.26%
Member, State Board of Education, District 15		
Rep.-Bob Craig	2,258	59.60%
Dem.-David Schaefer	1,151	30.38%
Lib.-Brent Russenberger	83	2.19%
State Senator, District 24		
Rep.-Troy Fraser	2,934	77.45%
Dem.-Steve Kirby	353	9.31%

Callahan County November 5, 2002 General Election Results

Total Number Voting	3,788
Precincts Reporting	7 of 7 100.00%
Straight Party	
Republican Party	795 20.98%
Democratic Party	399 10.53%
Libertarian Party	17 0.44%
Green Party	4 0.10%
United States Senator	
Rep.-John Cornyn	2,571 67.87%
Dem.-Ron Kirk	1,042 27.50%
Lib.-Scott Lanier Jameson	30 1.02%
Grn.-Roy H. Williams	2 0.5%
United States Representative Dis. 17	
Rep.-Rob Beckham	1,947 51.39%
Dem.-Charlie Stenholm	1,705 45.01%
Lib.-Fred Jones	72 1.90%
Governor	
Rep.-Rick Perry	2,787 73.57%
Dem.-Tony Sanchez	859 22.67%
Lib.-Jeff Daniel	12 0.31%
Grn.-Rahul Mahajan	8 0.21%
Lieutenant Governor	
Rep.-David Dewhurst	2,276 60.08%
Dem.-John Sharp	1,378 36.37%
Lib.-Mark David Gessner	59 1.55%
Grn.-Nathalie Paravicini	17 0.44%
Attorney General	
Rep.-Greg Abbott	2,631 69.45%
Dem.-Kirk Watson	971 25.63%
Lib.-Jon Roland	57 1.50%
Grn.-David Keith Cobb	29 0.76%
Comptroller of Public Accounts	
Rep.-Carole Keeton Rylander	2,921 77.11%
Dem.-Marty Akins	741 19.56%
Lib.-Bowie Ibarra	32 0.84%
Grn.-Ruben L. Reyes	21 0.55%
Commissioner of General Land Office	
Rep.-Jerry Patterson	2,333 61.58%
Dem.-David Bernsen	1,110 29.30%
Lib.-Barbara A. Hernandez	104 2.74%
Grn.-Michael B. McInerney	30 0.79%

Are more small city /rural public transportation cuts on the horizon?

AUSTIN -- Public transportation in the rural areas and small cities of Texas may face continued decline if funding reductions proposed by the Texas Department of Transportation are accepted by the Texas Legislature. State lawmakers convene on January 14, 2003.

In its Legislative Appropriations Request for the next State budget cycle, the Texas Department of Transportation has proposed a 25 percent reduction in funding in its baseline request for appropriations. The Department's "exceptional items request" - often referred to as a state agency's Wish List - includes a suggested increase in funding by 24 percent, when added together. That increase would come from new general revenues from the State.

"Public transportation in rural areas and small cities of Texas will start the legislative session with a 25 percent cut, pure and simple," said Michael Plaster, director of the Texas Transit Association. "The department's Wish List is totally comprised of general revenue funding, and that money will simply not be there - it won't happen -- given the condition of the Texas budget and economy. Legislators will need all the general revenue they can lay their hands on to balance the books."

The state transportation department recently provided a small infusion of funding of nearly \$1.9 million to partially offset the current funding shortfall of \$7.6 million.

"Public transportation thanks the department for addressing a portion of the current funding reduction," Plaster said, "but it will not stop the reductions in transit service to all to the communities across the State. It is a band-aid on a now very

serious problem."

"Couple the current budget reduction for transportation with the transportation department's baseline legislative appropriations request for the next two years, and you have a reduction of nearly 32 percent," Plaster noted. "For Texas' twenty-eight small cities with public transportation - and that number is about to grow to thirty-three - it spells disaster. There will be more fingers in a pie that is shrinking drastically. These cities could see a total reduction from 1999 on the order of 50-60 percent."

"Rural Texas will likewise suffer," Plaster stated. "There are forty-one rural transit districts, and they provide transportation for residents in 271 of the 281 rural and suburban counties of Texas."

John McBeth, general manager of Brazos Transit District, called the current financial situation of rural and small city public transportation the worst ever. "The Legislature built the transportation infrastructure in rural areas and small cities to make a true system of mobility for the people of Texas, especially when integrated with metropolitan transit systems. Now we are looking at possibly losing a decade of infrastructure improvement and the elimination of transportation choices and alternatives for the public."

For more information, Contact: Michael Plaster, Executive Director, Texas Transit Association: (512) 478-8883. John McBeth, General Manager, Brazos Transit District (979) 778-4491. Please see Statewide Transit Map available online: <http://www.TexasTransit.org/about/ta/texasTransitMap.html>.



IT'S A BOY!

Taya Grace Hamilton has a new little brother. His name is Cooper Jordan Hamilton. He was born in Lubbock, Texas on August 26, 2002. He weighed 9 pounds 7 ounces and was 22 inches long.

His parents are Patrick and Melissa Hamilton of Plains, Texas. Maternal grandparents are Randy and Charlotte Montgomery of Cross Plains. Paternal grandparents are G. L. and Donna Hamilton of Jayton. Maternal great-grandparents Jim and Ida McCowen and John D. Montgomery of Cross Plains. Paternal great-grandfather is Ocie Ford of Jayton.

Little Angel

Misty Simons would like to tell everyone about her new sister. Hanna Marie Simons was born October 23, 2002 at 8:45 a.m. in Brownwood Hospital. She weighed 5 pounds 6 ounces. Proud parents are Jerry and Sadie Simons. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Clovis Simons and Betty Aiken.

Happy Birthday!

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| Bruce Lawrence | Lynda Smith |
| Jeffrey Hutchins | Gregory Smith |
| Kay Burkett | Darron Koenig |
| Falba Shafner | Cynthia Kunkle |
| Joe Nunn | Claudia Arnold |
| Jenny (Morgan) Galloway | Terry Gene Fortune |
| Larue Williams | Bud Dillard |
| Jerry Matthews | |
| Stanley Patrick Garrett | |
| Jim Cade | NOVEMBER 20 |
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| Chrystal Canales | Joe Gary |
| Joseph Dillard | Barbara Worley |
| Haley Jones | Clifton J. Kirkham |
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HER FIRST BUCK OF THE SEASON—Laci Bean, of Cross Plains, shot this 9 point buck with a 21 3/4" inside spread on the Smith Ranch in Potosi on opening day with a .270 Remington. Laci has been hunting for several years and was proud of her trophy deer.

Callahan Divide SWCD Now Taking Windbreak Tree Orders

The Callahan Divide Soil & Water Conservation District is now taking orders for their Annual Windbreak Tree Program. Each year the District offers these trees to the general public on a first come first serve basis at a very inexpensive price. These windbreak trees come fresh from the Texas Forest Service Nursery out of Lubbock, Texas.

This year's selection of available trees includes four varieties of evergreens. They are Afghanistan Pine, Pinyon Pine, Eastern Redcedar, Italian Stone Pine, Arizona Cypress, and the Austrian Pine. These Evergreen Seedlings are being offered for \$2.00 each or \$55.00 for a box of 30.

In addition to the Evergreens, several varieties of bare-rooted

hardwood seedlings are being offered this year. The list includes Green Ash, Russian Olive, Shumard Oak, Aromatic Sumac, Sand Plum, Osage Orange, Nanking Cherry, Hackberry, Lacebark Elm, Desert Willow, Fourwing Saltbush, Flameleaf Sumac, Honeylocust, and Amur Honeysuckle. These hardwood seedlings are offered in bundles of 10 for \$10.00.

The Callahan Divide Soil & Water Conservation District is also introducing four wildlife packets this year. Each packet comes with four different species of trees. Each packet includes 25 of each type of tree. Available are packets for Deer, Squirrel, Quail and Pheasant, and Turkey. Contact the Natural Resources Conservation Ser-

vice in Baird for information on which trees are included with a certain packet.

Tree orders will be taken until February 6th, 2002 or until supplies run out, whichever comes first. The trees will be delivered to Baird on February 14, 2002. All orders are pre-paid with a check or money order and delivery is guaranteed. These trees are delivered fresh from the Texas Forest Service Nursery on that date.

For more information on planning, planting and maintenance of windbreak trees or how to purchase these low cost seedlings contact the Natural Resources Conservation Service office in Baird, Texas at (915) 854-1349. The office in Baird is located at 141 W. 4th—Suite B. Order forms and information may also be obtained at the Albany, Texas NRCS office. The number is (915) 762-2552.

All services of the Natural Resources Conservation Service and the Callahan Divide Soil & Water Conservation District are available to anyone without regard to race, Creed, color, sex, age, handicap or national origin.

NAP application deadline nears for native grass and improved pastures

BAIRD—Scotty H. Odom, County Executive Director for the Callahan County Farm Service Agency (FSA) reminds local farmers and ranchers that the application closing date to sign-up for the Non-Insured Assistance Program (NAP) for native grass and improved pastures is December 1, 2002.

NAP covers crops damaged by severe weather that result in a loss of 50 percent or greater. Losses are generally determined by percentage of loss compared to the producer's actual yield history. Lost production eligible for payment is paid at 55 percent of crop value.

"Producers interested in obtaining crop insurance on perennial pastures should call their local USDA Service Center as soon as possible to set up and appointment in order to complete an application for their 2003 acres," said Odom. "Producers with acres in multiple counties should be aware that carrying capacities for pasture acres covered under NAP may vary by state and by county, so they need to check with their local FSA offices for details," he added.

NAP coverage is only available for crops where coverage is not available under the Federal Crop Insurance Program (FCIP). "For all native grass and improved pastures, producers must report acres and file notices of loss in a timely manner to insure eligibility. However, production evidence is not required for perennial pastures that are grazed only," said Odom.

The December 1, 2002 deadline to purchase NAP coverage also applies to persons who have an existing policy and want to renew their coverage for 2003.

For detailed NAP information and applicant eligibility criteria or to make an appointment contact the Callahan County office at 915/854-1049, EXT 2) or visit FSA on the World Wide Web at <http://www.fsa.usda.gov>.

Area Rep Needed for Exchange Students

ASSE International Student Exchange Programs (ASSE) is looking for enthusiastic people who like working with young individuals. Becoming an ASSE Area Representative enables you to help foreign high school exchange students experience the American way of life, while spending a year with an American family in an American high school.

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Hospice Candlelight Service is Nov. 21

ABILENE—On Thursday, November 21, the annual Hospice of the Big Country Candlelight Memorial Service will be held to commemorate the lives of the patients that were served by Hospice of the Big Country during the past year. The service will be in Logsdon Chapel, on the campus of Hardin-Simmons University and will begin at 7:00 PM. We will be joining with the families of the more than 300 patients we have served between

November 1, 2001 and October 31, 2002 for this special time of remembrance. The highlight of the evening will be the reading of the names of those who have died and the lighting of a candle to honor their memory.

Hospice of the Big Country has been providing care for the terminally ill and their families since 1992. Any questions about the Candlelight Memorial Service can be directed to 793-5450 or (800) 588-0300.

Public invited to discuss Texas Transportation Plan update

ABILENE—Abilene has been selected by the Texas Department of Transportation as one of 17 locations in Texas to host a public meeting on the statewide transportation plan, including a rail system plan as a component.

The meeting is set for Tuesday, November 19, at the Taylor County Maintenance Section, 102 East College Drive. An informal open house and public meeting will run from 3 - 8 p.m. with a presentation to be given at 7:00 p.m. TxDOT officials will be present throughout the afternoon and evening to answer questions.

"The Texas Transportation Plan, updated every five years, is the blueprint for a multimodal, statewide, transportation system," Bill Hale, Abilene district engineer, said. "Citizens attending this public meeting will have an opportunity to review the plan and express their vision for transportation in Texas."

Incorporated in the plan are various modes of transportation, including highway, rail, public

transportation, aviation, waterways, bicycle and pedestrian facilities, pipeline, telecommunications and information technology.

With the demands on our current transportation system increasing, Hale said that updating the statewide transportation plan will provide the framework to develop an effective and efficient transportation system that will keep Texas moving.

Persons who are interested in the Texas Transportation Plan but unable to attend the meeting in Abilene, may want to go the San Angelo on Monday, November 18. That meeting will be held in the TxDOT District Office Conference Room, 4502 Knickerbocker Road, from 3-8 p.m.

For further information on the Abilene meeting, call Blair Haynie, Abilene district transportation planning and development director, at 915/676-6810 or Mary Beth Kilgore, Abilene district public information officer, at 915/676-6806.

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Early symphony.

Early this morning I stepped outside to enjoy the stars and the quiet time left to the night.

Did I say quiet? After I'd stood scanning the heavens for a minute, the crickets accepted my presence and took up their thrumming again. The beat was background rhythm for the staccato yaps of the dog next door. He's the one who lets the neighborhood know I'm up and about. His yaps were answered in 4/4 time in high notes and low notes, some close and some barely audible.

I thought of Mrs. Gordon who made sure our third grade class was exposed to culture. First to float across my mind was Peter and the Wolf, and the Surprise Symphony which tried to put us to sleep and then wake us with the clash of cymbals. We went along with the gag for Mrs. Gordon's sake.

The symphonies of third grade wove themselves into this early morning song. I heard the rustling of rabbits and the chirring of squirrels glad for a couple more warm days to horde a few more nuts. Because of the warming, a stray mosquito was out to get one more meal. He buzzed around my ear until I added my one note to the symphony - WHAP!

Bumbles puppy stood at my feet until Calico stepped out of the night and purred. Calico and Bumbles stood nose to nose for the count of three. Bumbles couldn't resist challenging the cat. The cat knew it, and when Bumbles stepped away from me, the cat snaked around to rub against my ankles and claim

possession of my feet. Bumbles knew he'd been duped, and yelped. The cat's music played on, purrs alternating with hisses and an arched back.

I was in third grade again, learning about how instruments come to life. Their notes can be serious, scary, happy, moody, exultant, even humorous. I could hear the hoots and chortles, zips and slides, of horns and strings and drums making us laugh in the classroom.

The comic aspect of the symphony was heavy in my ears while the rooster population crowded to wake a sleeping world. All around me the lusty calls of mature roosters joined with the tuneless cracked notes of juveniles. One rooster claimed to be the king of all roosters within hearing distance. He crowed with a bluster that made me picture him red in the face and about to split his crop.

With a wave of his wand, the Conductor introduced the wind, which had been waiting, poised. At the downbeat, the wind burst through the trees with a haunting melody. Brown leaves rustled and tinkled. The air rang with chimes and harp and piccolo. Mesmerized by wind song, the leaves forgot to hold on. They sailed on the breeze and clattered to the ground.

The Conductor rapped his baton for attention and the symphony picked up at the next bar. Glancing once more at the stars, I bowed to the Conductor and stepped inside my warm kitchen.

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Former Resident President/CEO

Sam Balkum, a former Cross Plains resident, was recently named President/CEO of the Lockhart Chamber of Commerce. In addition to promoting the city of Lockhart, Sam will oversee the big Chisholm Trail Roundup that brings thousands of visitors to Lockhart each year in June.

Sam brings over 22 year of experience in advertising, film and related media to his new job. Sam was a founding partner of Actors Clearinghouse, a top Texas talent agency based in Austin. He will

keep a working interest in the agency and Mike Pruet, another former Cross Plains resident, will oversee the day-to-day operations.

Sam is the son of the late Sam and Wilsie Balkum. He is the nephew of Donna Wagner and John and Vida Balkum of Cross Plains. He is married to Dana Richardson Balkum, who teaches Algebra II at Lockhart High School. They have a daughter, Katelyn, age 7. Sam and his family have lived in Lockhart for almost 10 years.

TWC's Veteran Services Help Those Who Served Their Country

AUSTIN—When it comes to meeting veterans' needs, Texas is a national leader assisting those who have served their country. One of the premier programs in the nation in that regard is the Texas Workforce Commission's (TWC) Veteran Services.

Veteran Services offers employment and training assistance to service members who are retiring or separating from the military. Reservists also are eligible if they have spent more than 180 days on active duty or have served in an area for which a campaign badge was issued.

"Utilizing these services is a win-win situation," said TWC Chair Diane Rath. "Employers get access to highly skilled workers, and veterans get valuable, individualized job-search assistance."

The Disabled Veteran Outreach Program (DVOP) specialists and the Local Veteran Employment Representatives (LVERs), who also are veterans, offer extensive employment services. Customers receive counseling, testing, job search assistance, job development, personalized case management, and referral and placement support services. Through the Transition Assistance Program (TAP), veterans receive employment services, labor market information and help in the transition to a civilian

environment.

There are 90 DVOP staff and 80 LVER staff throughout the state, located in 88 Texas Workforce Centers and 11 Veteran Affairs (VA) facilities. Staff also provide assistance at 13 Texas military installations. For more information on how to access these services, veterans may visit www.texasworkforce.org/svcs/vetsvcs/vetemtrain.html, or contact a local workforce center in their area. When meeting with an LVER or DVOP, veterans should bring their DD214, the certificate of release or discharge from active duty.

In 2002, more than 152,033 veterans received services, in Texas Workforce Centers, including more than 99 percent of registered veterans and disabled veterans. A total of 65,696 veterans obtained employment through these services. There were 9,543 disabled veterans that registered for services of which 4,737 entered jobs.

"Texas has a long-standing tradition of supporting the military," said TWC Commissioner Representing Labor T.P. O'Mahoney. "As a veteran of the United States Marine Corps, I am proud to work for an agency that is dedicated to helping those who have served their country."

Veterans Education is another valuable service provided through TWC. The Veterans Education program approves educational and training programs for veterans and other eligible customers. Approved facilities include colleges and universities, technical and vocational schools, police/fire academies, flight schools, cosmetology and barber schools, as well as on-the-job training and apprenticeship training programs. In addition, the Veterans Education Unit approves in-state licensing and certification organizations so that veterans may be reimbursed for the cost of licensing and certification examinations.

Veterans Education works with the Veteran Services Unit to disseminate information to employers who may want to consider applying for approval to train veterans. TWC also encourages veterans with GI Bill benefits to ask current or potential employers about VA-approved apprenticeship/on-the-job training programs.

"By working together the Veterans Education Unit and the Veteran Services Unit increase the number of employment opportunities for veterans," said TWC Commissioner Representing Employers Ron Lehman. "We encourage all Texas employers to explore these opportunities by contacting our Veterans Education or Veteran Services Units."

In the past year, Texas received more than 20 state and national awards for service to veterans and continues to win recognition for veteran's services.

Veterans may contact Connie Jackits in the Veterans Education Unit at (512) 463-6441 or Mike Olen in the Veteran Services Unit at (512) 305-9639.

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Callahan County Child Welfare Board Needs Your Assistance

The Callahan County Child Welfare Board will be sponsoring a booth at the annual Cowboy Christmas Event held in Baird the first weekend in December 2002. Anyone wishing to donate items to sell in this booth to help support their territory may drop off your donation at any City Hall in Callahan County. Any new or homemade gifts you would like to donate, regardless of how small or large, will be appreciated. Cash contributions will also be accepted.

The Callahan County Child Welfare Board consists of volunteer members. They meet once a month with the Child Protective Service Representative who gives them an update on the number of cases they are currently working on in the county. The

CPS informs the board if a child needs a gift, including their age and sex so an appropriate item may be purchased. The gifts are given to the CPS who deliver them to the children in protective custody. The only monetary support besides the money raised by the Board during Christmas and October is from donated jury checks.

The Callahan County Child Welfare Board provides birthday gifts, Christmas gifts and other items such as clothes and medicine as needed for children in protective custody in Callahan County. Last year they purchased gifts for six children during Christmas time.

Please, if you can, help the Callahan County Child Welfare Board help the children!

King Completes Marine Basic Training

October 25, 2002 (FHTNC)— Marine Corps Pvt. Justin D. King, son of Marsha L. and Ted W. King of Rising Star, recently completed basic training at Marine Corps Recruit Depot, San Diego.

King successfully completed 12 weeks of training designed to challenge new Marine recruits both physically and mentally.

King and fellow recruits began their training at 5 a.m., by running three miles and performing calisthenics. In addition to the physical conditioning program, King spent numerous hours in classroom and field assignments which included learning first aid, uniform regulations, combat water survival, marksmanship, hand-to-hand combat and as-

sorted weapons training. They performed close order drill and operated as a small infantry unit during field training.

King and other recruits also received instruction on the Marine Corps' core values—honor, courage, and commitment, and what the words mean in guiding personal and professional conduct.

King and fellow recruits ended the training phase with The Crucible, a 54-hour team effort, problem solving evolution which culminated with a emotional ceremony in which the recruits were presented the Marine Corps Emblem, and were addressed as "Marines" for the first time since boot camp began.

King is a 2002 graduate of Rising Star High School.

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AN OPEN LETTER TO VOTERS IN CALLAHAN COUNTY

From: Callahan County Republican Chairman. I want to personally thank you for supporting Republican Candidates in this election cycle in Callahan county.

The Voters in Callahan County turned out in near record numbers to cast their votes. The privilege of voting is what makes America great.

On behalf of the Callahan County Republican Party, I want to express thanks to those who worked the election at every level in the County: the County Clerk's Office and all who worked the Resolution Board, Early voting and Precinct Judges and Clerks.

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