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## DOWN HOME

"Let's Talk About It?"

By Vanda Anderson Creech  
Editor

Have you ever wondered why depression or manic depressive illnesses are treated like taboo?

A chemical imbalance in the brain creates the disorders. It isn't like anyone raised their hand and said, "I'll take that one!" Both are inherited and if you have the genetic makeup on both sides of your family tree, then you seem to get a double whammy.

These diseases are no respecter of age. Young children can suffer the same as adults.

I hope that during my lifetime people will become educated and stop the stigma. If you have other physical diseases such as diabetes, cancer, etc. you don't hesitate to treat them and you talk about them. The same should be true here.

Something you may not be aware of is that if your thyroid is not working properly you can become depressed. Your thyroid affects the function of your heart, too. This might explain why people sometimes experience racing or pounding heart beats when they are depressed.

Some depression appears to come in cycles of so many years. There doesn't have to be an incident that triggers the event. When you determine the pattern that also helps you prepare for the challenge.

The last few years there have been many new prescriptions developed that have really helped people. There is no need for anyone to suffer from the overpowering feeling of despair, loss of appetite, physical fatigue, loss of motivation, etc. — all symptoms of depression. Drastic mood swings are typical of manic depressive.

Sometimes the lack of knowledge about the disease results in people being mistreated by others. People who haven't experienced depression often think a person can just "pull themselves up by the boot strap". Of course a good attitude toward getting well always promotes healing.

I can share this with you because my family has experienced both. Personally, I was mistakenly diagnosed with manic depressive. The symptoms were brought on when I took 6 diet pills in one day, thinking they were sinus medicine. They were both tiny red capsules and I was so upset because my Dad was in the hospital with his first heart

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## The Cross Plains Review Honored by the Texas Future Farmers of America

Each year the Texas FFA recognizes area newspapers for their support of the local FFA Chapters. The *Cross Plains Review* was nominated by the Cross Plains FFA for their coverage of the chapters' activities during the year.

The Cross Plains Review's nomination was selected as the winner from the Big Country District FFA and also the winner

from the Area IV FFA. The nomination was then sent to the State FFA competition and the *Cross Plains Review* was recognized for their efforts at the Vocational Agriculture Teachers Association meeting that was held in Corpus Christi.

The Cross Plains FFA would like to say "thank you" to the *Cross Plains Review* for all of their support through the years.



**WINNER OF THE CHAMBER BIG BUCK CONTEST**—Laci Bean (left) of Cross Plains won with an eight point buck, 22 1/4 inch inside spread. Susan Schaefer (right), Chamber Representative, is presenting her with a new rifle. Laci remarked, "Good thing I won a gun, my husband will probably never let me use his again!"

## Annual Cross Plains Cemetery Association Meeting Set For Wednesday, January 29

The Cross Plains Cemetery Association will hold its annual meeting Wednesday, January 29, at 2:00 p.m. at the local City Hall. Jimmielee Payne, Chairman of the Board, has announced his retirement from the association af-

ter many years of faithful service. Everyone is cordially invited to the meeting. New board members will be appointed and anyone interested in serving in this capacity is encouraged to attend.



## Last Chance

The Athletic Booster Club is selling chances for a game table crafted by Potter Game Tables, made from material out of the old gym floor.

Chances will be sold for one more week. The drawing will be January 31, 2003 at half time of

the boys varsity game. They can be purchased at the concession stand during all games, City Hall, Texas Heritage Bank, The Movie Store and Higginbothams. Please help support your local athletic program and purchase tickets

## 2003 Callahan County Junior Livestock A Huge Success!!!!



JENNIFER YOUNG of Cross Plains with her Grand Champion Market Steer.

Last weekend the 2003 Callahan Junior Livestock Show was held at the County Show Barn just north of town. Even though the weather was somewhat chilly the show went on as scheduled. The number of entries was about the same as in past years, with the market goats showing the largest increase.

Students from Cross Plains, Baird, Clyde and Eula participated in the show. The event concluded on Saturday with the premium sale.

The Cross Plains FFA and 4-H students would like to say "thanks" to all the businesses and individuals who purchased their animals or placed a bonus on their animal at the sale. Without the support of these people in the community the livestock show would not be a success. At a later date there will be a list of all those individuals who donated money for the premium sale.

A list of how the students placed is as follows:

**RABBITS**  
Champion Doe: Michael Archa, Eula 4-H  
Reserve Doe: Skyler Archa, Eula 4-H  
Jr. Showmanship: Megan Betcher, Baird 4-H  
Sr. Showmanship: Michael Archa, Eula 4-H

**Colored Doe**  
1st Michael Archa, Eula 4-H;  
2nd Skyler Archa, Eula 4-H;  
3rd Skyler Archa, Eula 4-H; 4th Michelle Robbins, Baird 4-H.

**White Doe**  
1st Michael Archa, Eula 4-H;  
2nd Skyler Archa, Eula 4-H;  
3rd Michael Archa, Eula 4-H;  
4th Skyler Archa, Eula 4-H, 5th Michael Archa, Eula 4-H.  
Champion Buck: Skyler Archa, Eula 4-H

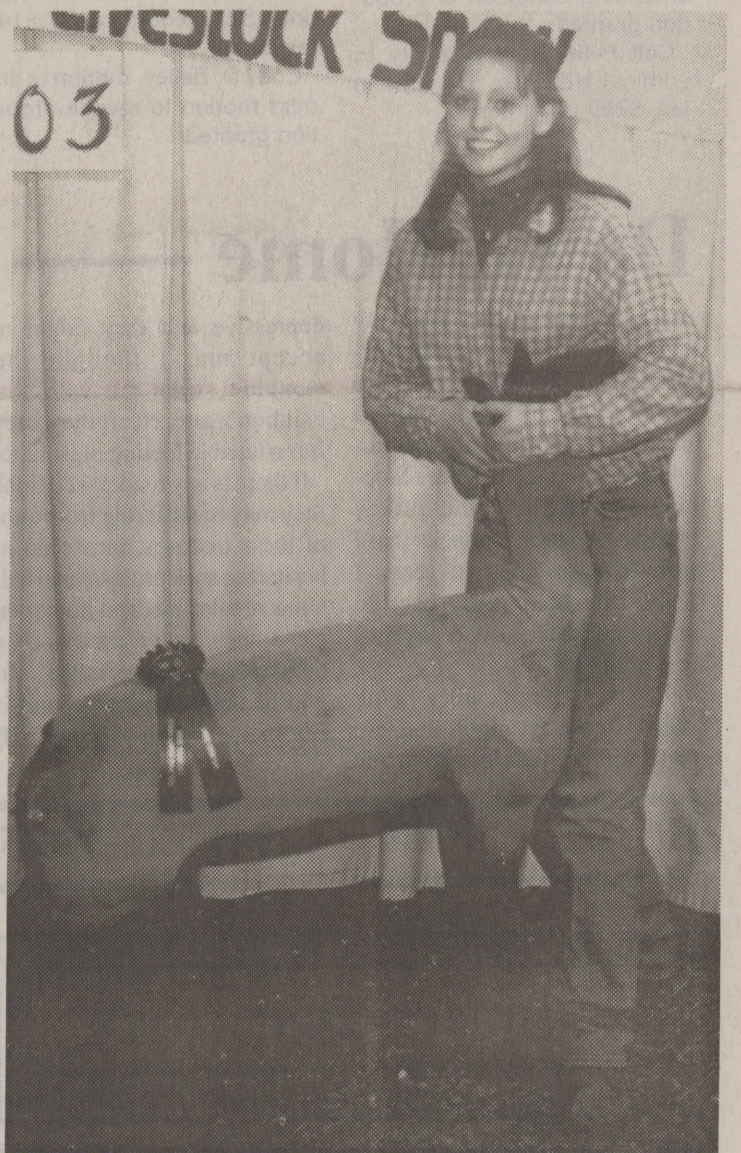
**Reserve Champion Buck:** Michael Archa, Eula 4-H  
**White Bucks**  
1st Michael Archa, Eula 4-H;  
2nd Skyler Archa, Eula 4-H;  
3rd Jenna Betcher, Baird 4-H;  
4th Megan Betcher, Baird 4-H.

**Colored Buck**  
1st Skyler Archa, Eula 4-H;  
2nd Michael Archa, Eula 4-H;  
3rd Joe Dalton Wyatt, Cross Plains FFA; 4th Skyler Archa, Eula 4-H.

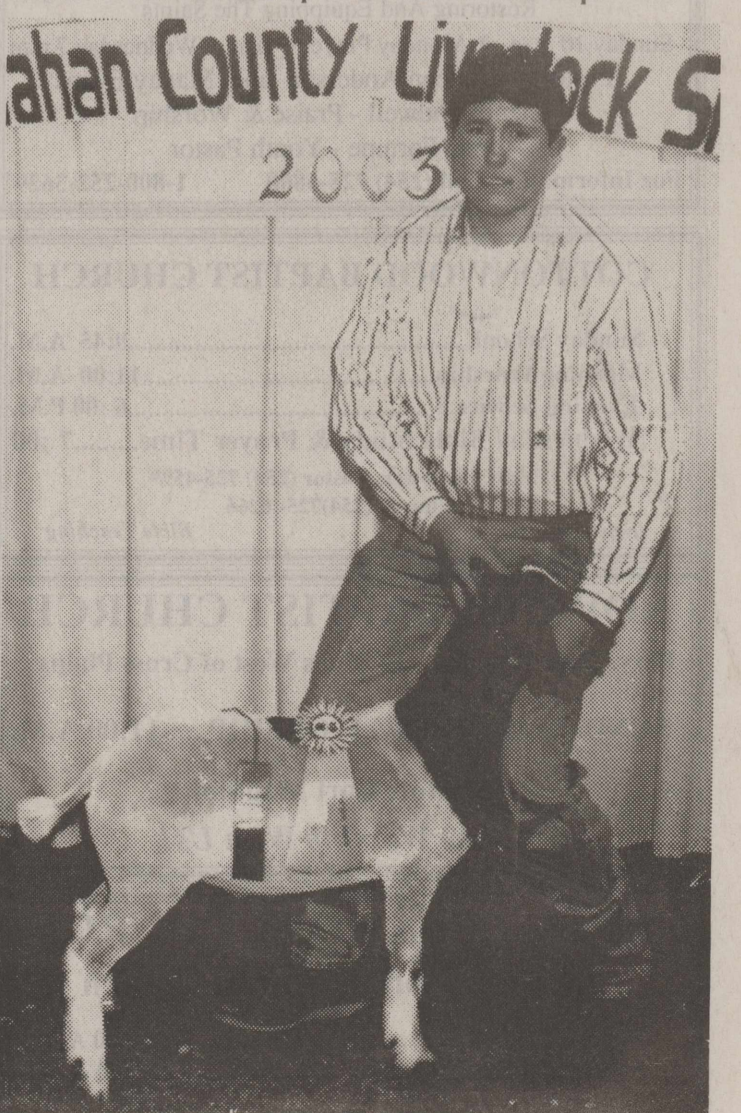
**FRYERS**  
Champion: Skyler Archa, Eula 4-H  
Reserve Champion: Megan Betcher, Baird 4-H

**Fryers**  
1st Skyler Archa, Eula 4-H;  
2nd Megan Betcher, Baird 4-H;  
3rd Michelle Robbins, Baird 4-H; 4th Lance Fiedler, Baird FFA.

**POULTRY**  
Champion: Jonathan Hopkins, Cross Plains FFA  
Reserve Champion: Sunny Westerman, Cross Plains FFA



EMILY WINFREY of Cross Plains with her Grand Champion Market Lamb and Champion Medium Wool Sheep.



COLE KOENIG of Cross Plains with his Grand Champion Market Goat.

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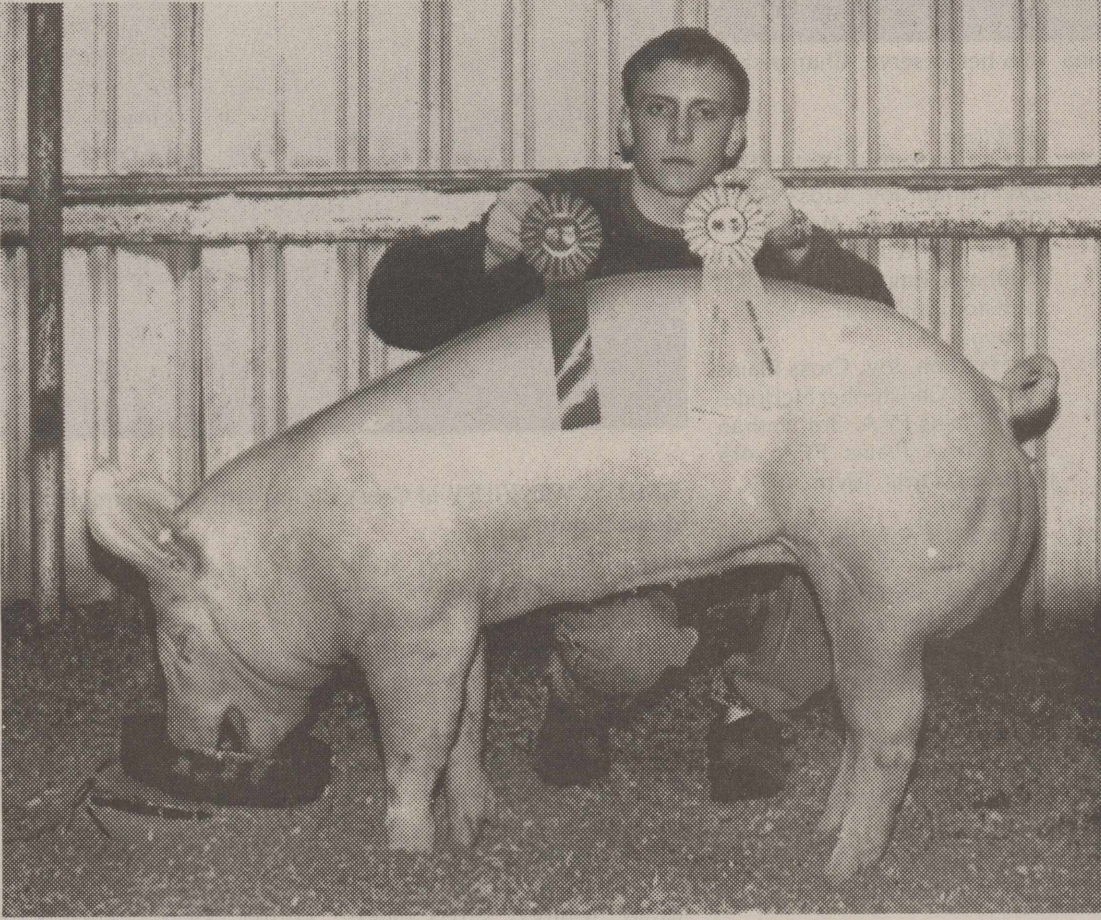




# Results



LOGAN TURNER of Cross Plains with his Grand Champion Heifer.



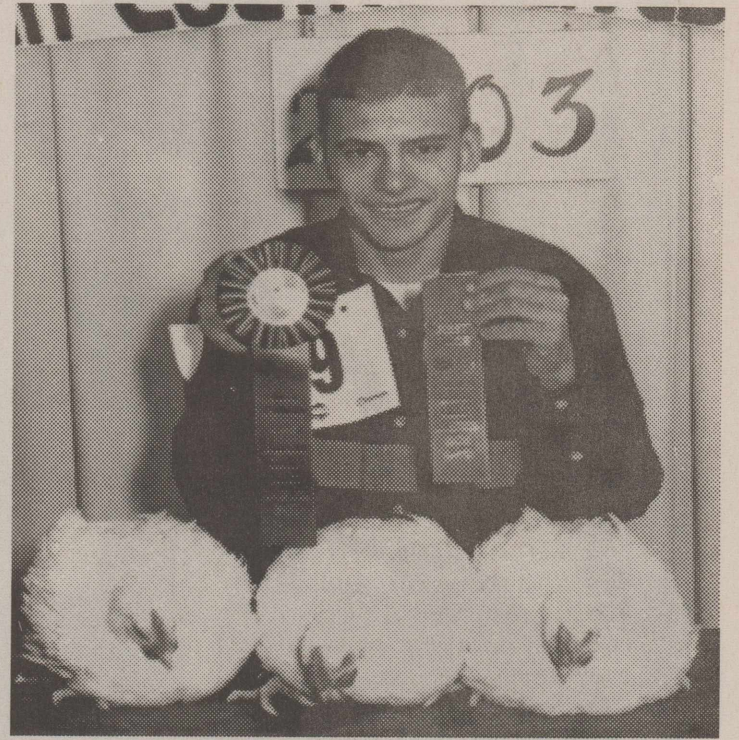
NATHAN JOY of Cross Plains with Reserve Grand Champion Market Swine and Champion York.



NATHAN JOY of Cross Plains with his Champion Hamp.



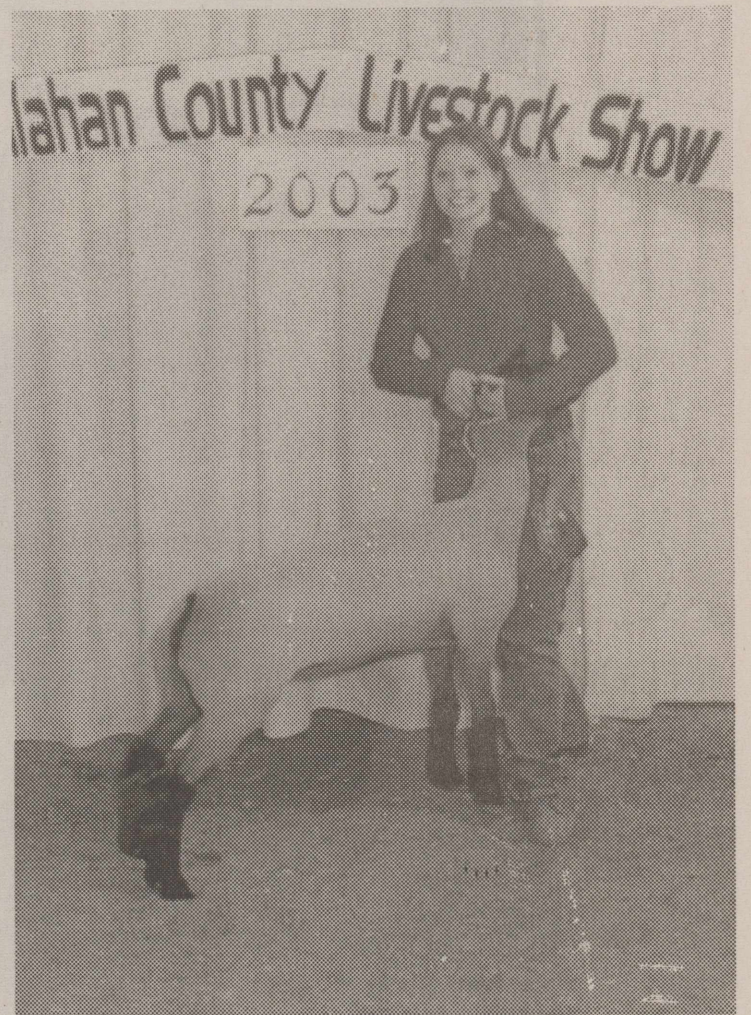
SAVANA WYATT of Cross Plains with her Reserve Champion Breeding Gilt.



JONATHAN HOPKINS of Cross Plains with his Grand Champion Pen of Broilers.



SUNNY WESTERMAN of Cross Plains with her Reserve Grand Champion Pen of Broilers.



EMILY WINFREY of Cross Plains with her Reserve Grand Champion Market Lamb.

Sr. Showmanship: Sunny Westerman, Cross Plains FFA  
 Jr. Showmanship: Brandi Dempsey, Baird 4-H

**Broilers**  
 1st Jonathan Hopkins, Cross Plains FFA; 2nd Sunny Westerman, Cross Plains FFA; 3rd Jonathan Hopkins, Cross Plains FFA; 4th Sunny Westerman, Cross Plains FFA.

**BREEDING GILT**  
 Champion: Kat Johnston, Baird 4-H  
 Reserve Champion: Savana Wyatt, Cross Plains 4-H

**Breeding Swine**  
 1st Kat Johnston, Baird 4-H  
**Breeding**  
 1st Savana Wyatt, Cross Plains 4-H; 2nd Russell Allen Cross Plains, 3rd Jamie Cooley, Eula.

**Duroc**  
 1st Savana Wyatt, Cross Plains 4-H and 2nd Stephanie Eddington, Cross Plains FFA.

**MARKET SWINE**  
 Grand Champion Market Swine: Kody Bodine, Eula FFA  
 Reserve Grand Champion Market Swine: Nathan Joy, Cross Plains FFA

Senior Showmanship: Katie Widener, Clyde FFA  
 Junior Showmanship: Kat Johnston, Baird 4-H

**BLACK OTHER PURE BRED**  
 Breed Champion: Nathan Joy, Cross Plains FFA  
 Reserve Breed Champion: Nathan Joy, Cross Plains FFA.

**Light**  
 1st Nathan Joy, Cross Plains FFA; 2nd Brittany Graham, Baird 4-H; 3rd Angelina Stoneman, Clyde FFA; 4th Taylor Partain, Clyde FFA.

**Heavy**  
 1st Nathan Joy, Cross Plains FFA; 2nd Jagher Gray, Clyde 4-H; 3rd Denise Shelton, Clyde 4-H; 4th Mykea Douglas, Cross Plains FFA; 5th Cody Currens, Clyde FFA.

**DUROC**  
 Breed Champion Light Weight: Jamie Cooley, Eula FFA  
 Breed Reserve Champion Heavy Weight: Kenali Kendrick, Clyde FFA

**Light**  
 1st Jamie Cooley, Eula FFA; 2nd Kody Bodine, Eula FFA; 3rd Brittany Smith, Clyde FFA; 4th Amber Clark, Baird 4-H; 5th Rachele Allen, Cross Plains FFA.

**Middle**  
 1st Tel Derner, Eula 4-H; 2nd Kasarah Seabour, Clyde 4-H; 3rd Aaron Swaner, Eula 4-H; 4th Denise Shelton, Clyde 4-H; 5th Angie Sparks, Clyde FFA.

**Heavy**  
 1st Kenali Kendrick, Clyde FFA; 2nd Rode Merryman, Clyde FFA; 3rd Rode Merryman, Clyde FFA; 4th Nathan Joy, Cross Plains FFA; 5th Kayla Dowdy, Clyde FFA.

**HAMPSHIRE**  
 Champion Hampshire Heavy Weight: Nathan Joy, Cross Plains FFA

Reserve Champion Hampshire Heavy Weight: Jamie Cooley, Eula 4-H

**Light**  
 1st Angelina Stoneman, Clyde FFA; 2nd Nathan Joy, Cross Plains FFA; 3rd Kody Bodine, Eula FFA; 4th Brock Cooper, Cross Plains FFA.

**Middle**  
 1st Derek Edwards, Clyde FFA; 2nd Ty Mullican, Eula FFA; 3rd Kat Johnston, Baird 4-H; 4th Corey Jenkins, Eula FFA.

**Heavy**  
 1st Nathan Joy, Cross Plains FFA; 2nd Jamie Cooley, Eula FFA; 3rd Nathan Joy, Cross Plains FFA; 4th Amber Clark, Baird FFA.

**WHITE OTHER PURE BRED**  
 Champion Heavy Weight: Jagher Cray, Clyde 4-H

Reserve Champion Light Weight: Kody Bodine, Eula FFA

**Light**  
 1st Kody Bodine, Eula FFA; 2nd Mykea Douglass, Cross Plains FFA; 3rd Rode Merryman, Clyde FFA; 4th Chance Hyles, Cross Plains FFA; 5th Jonathan Hopkins, Cross Plains FFA.

**Heavy**  
 1st Jagher Gray, Clyde 4-H; 2nd Christopher McBride, Cross Plains FFA; 3rd Bobby Tackett, Clyde FFA; 4th Chance Hyles, Cross Plains FFA.

**YORK**  
 Champion Middle Weight: Nathan Joy, Cross Plains FFA  
 Reserve Champion Light Weight: Nathan Joy, Cross Plains FFA

**Light**  
 1st Katie Widener, Clyde FFA; 2nd Kerrey Russell, Clyde FFA; 3rd Rode Merryman,

1st Nathan Joy, Cross Plains FFA; 2nd Tel Derner, Eula 4-H; 3rd Garrett Scott, Eula 4-H; 4th Kourtney Russell, Clyde FFA; 5th Cole Koeing, Cross Plains FFA.

**Middle**  
 1st Nathan Joy, Cross Plains FFA; 2nd Katie Widener, Clyde FFA; 3rd Garrett Stephens,

Cross Plains FFA; 4th Emily Harris, Cross Plains FFA; 5th Bailey Reynolds, Eula 4-H.

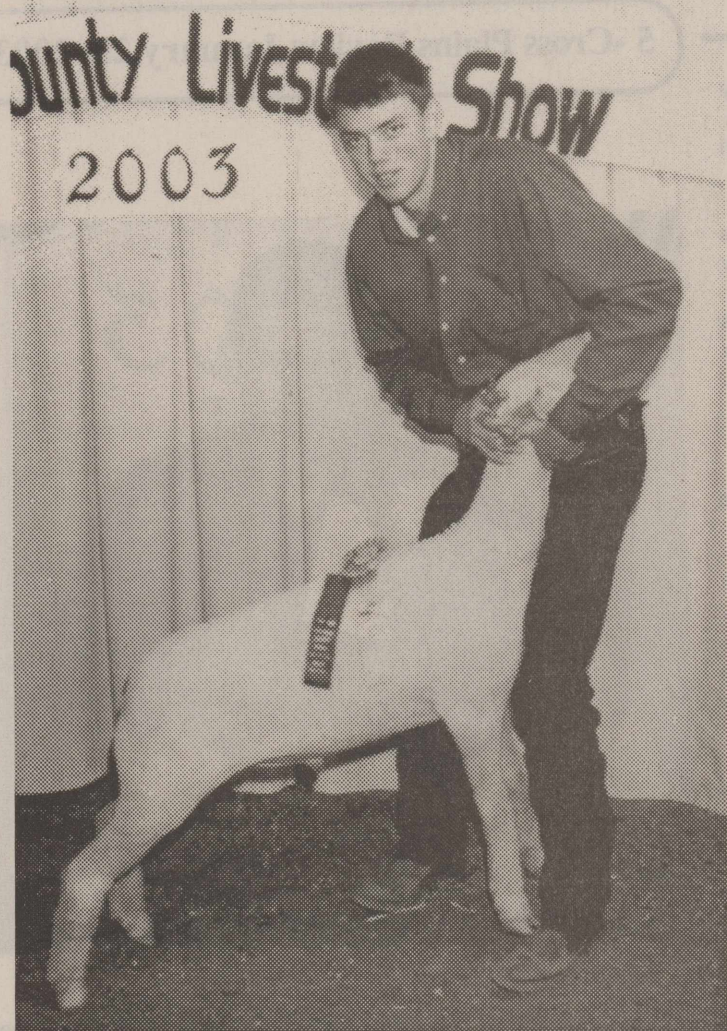
**Heavy**  
 1st Katie Widener, Clyde FFA; 2nd Kerrey Russell, Clyde FFA; 3rd Rode Merryman,

Clyde FFA; 4th Katie Widener, Clyde FFA; 5th David Peters, Cross Plains FFA.

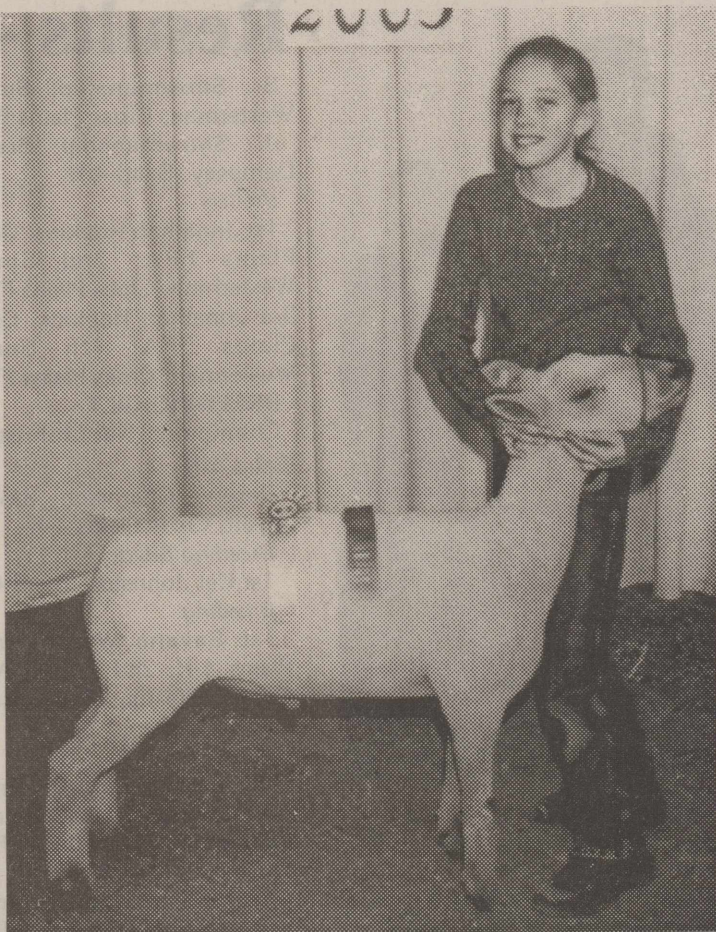
**CROSS**  
 Champion Cross Middle Weight: Kody Bodine, Eula FFA

Reserve Champion Cross Heavy Weight: Nathan Joy, Cross Plains FFA

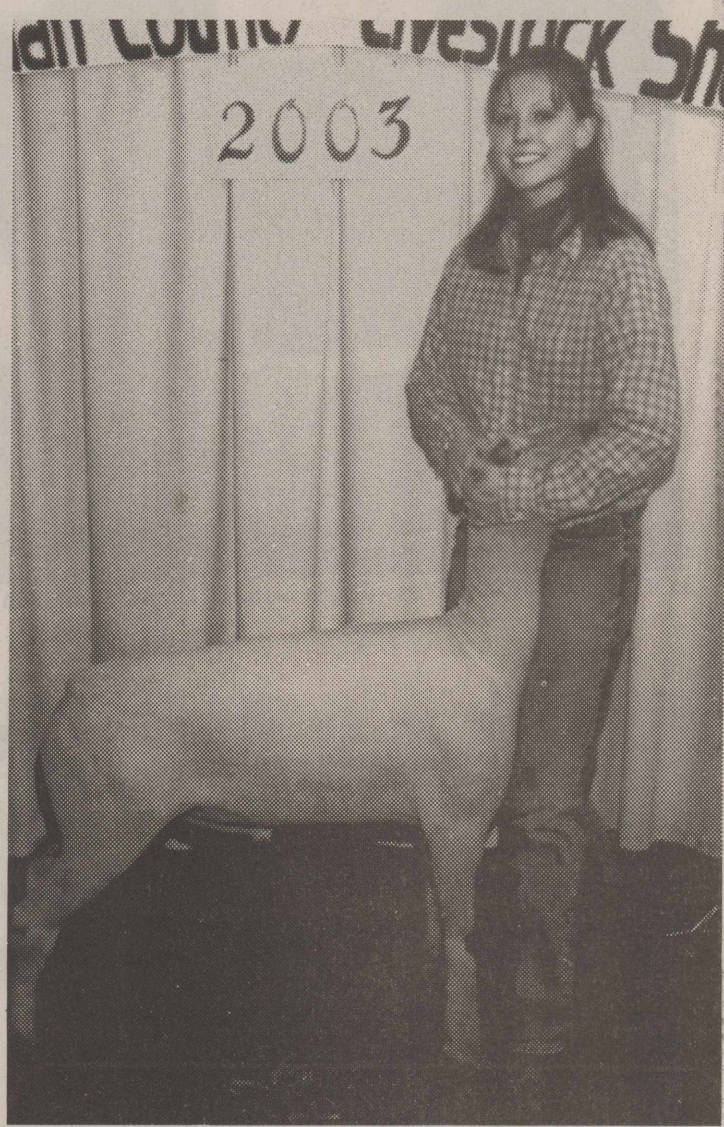
**Light**  
 1st Kandi Anders, Clyde FFA; 2nd Garrett Stephens, Cross Plains FFA; 3rd Karen Scott, Cross Plains FFA; 4th Tel Derner, Eula 4-H.



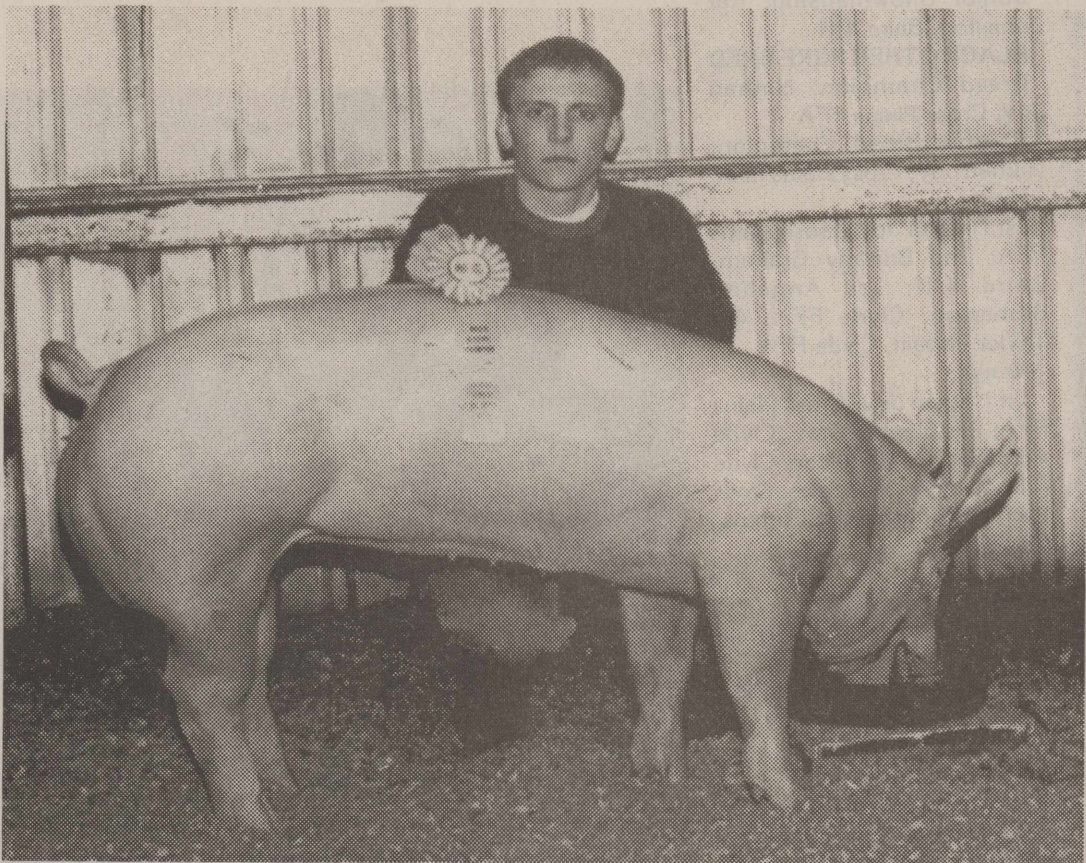
CHRIS HARRIS of Cross Plains with his Reserve Champion Fine Wool Sheep.



EMILY HARRIS of Cross Plains with her Reserve Champion Southdown Lamb.



EMILY WINFREY of Cross Plains with her Champion Southdown Lamb.



NATHAN JOY of Cross Plains with his Reserve Champion Yorkshire.

## Results

*Middle*  
 1st Kody Bodine, Eula FFA;  
 2nd Nathan Joy, Cross Plains FFA; 3rd Rode Merryman, Clyde FFA; 4th Kayla Windham, Baird FFA; 5th Kat Johnston Baird 4-H.

*Heavy*  
 1st Nathan Joy, Cross Plains FFA; 2nd Christopher McBride, Cross Plains FFA; 3rd Nathan Joy, Cross Plains FFA; 4th Derek Edwards, Clyde FFA.

**SHEEP**  
 Grand Champion Medium Wool-Heavy Weight: Emily Winfrey, Cross Plains FFA  
 Reserve Grand Champion FWX-Heavy Weight: Emily Winfrey, Cross Plains FFA

*Jr. Showmanship:* Brittany Reeves, Clyde 4-H

*Sr. Showmanship:* Emily Winfrey, Cross Plains FFA

*Fine Wool*  
 Champion Fine Wool Light Weight: Cody Isenhower, Baird 4-H

Reserve Champion Fine Wool Light Weight: Chris Harris, Cross Plains FFA

*Light Weight Fine Wool*  
 1st Cody Isenhower, Baird 4-H; 2nd Chris Harris, Cross Plains FFA

Plains FFA; 3rd Zachery Snell, Cross Plains FFA; 4th Macayla Cook, Cross Plains FFA; 5th Cody Isenhower, Baird 4-H.

*Heavy Weight Fine Wool*  
 1st JD Cook, Cross Plains FFA; 2nd Jake Snell, Cross Plains FFA; 3rd Natashia Wolford, Cross Plains FFA; 4th Mitch Byrd, Cross Plains FFA.

**FINE WOOL CROSS**  
 Champion Heavy Weight: Emily Winfrey, Cross Plains FFA

Reserve Champion Heavy Weight: Cody Isenhower, Baird 4-H

*Light Weight Fine Wool Cross*  
 1st Cody Isenhower, Baird 4-H

2nd Whitney Richardson, Clyde 4-H; 3rd Laramy Richardson, Clyde 4-H; 4th Mitch Byrd, Cross Plains FFA.

*Medium Weight FWX*  
 1st Chris Harris, Cross Plains FFA; 2nd KC Milam, Cross Plains FFA; 3rd Spencer Goldsmith, Baird 4-H; 4th Emma Bennett, Cross Plains FFA.

*Heavy Weight FWX*  
 1st Emily Winfrey, Cross Plains FFA; 2nd Cody Isenhower, Baird 4-H; 3rd Emily Harris, Cross Plains FFA; 4th Dustin Snell, Cross Plains FFA.

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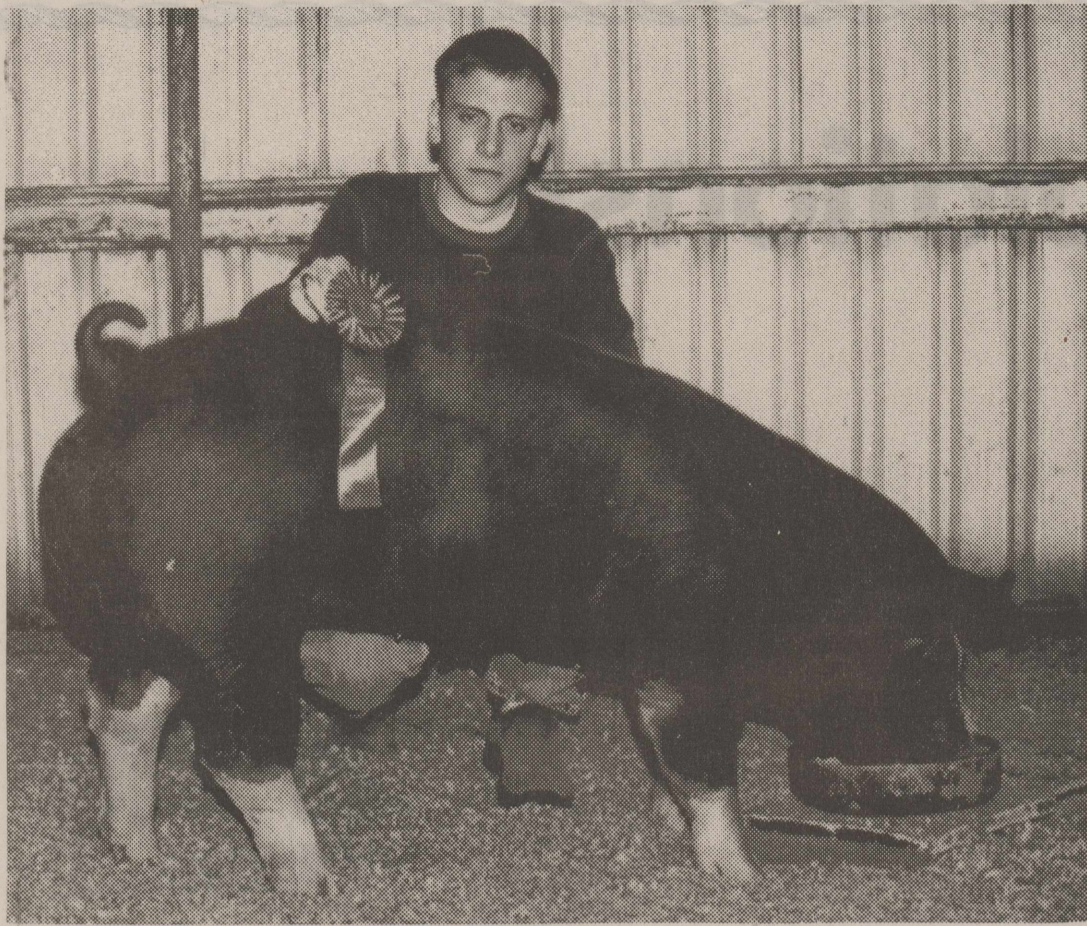


A Huge Thank You To The Buyers Of My Grand Champion Steer At The Callahan County Livestock Show:

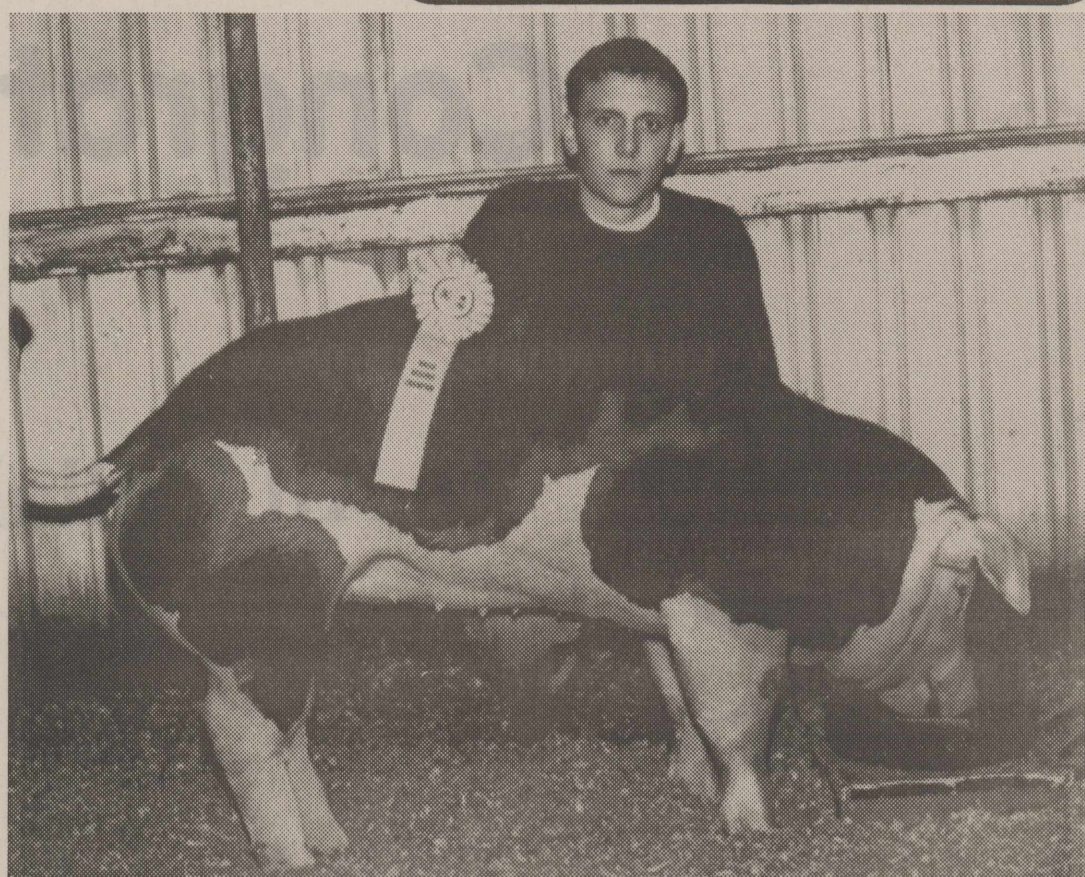
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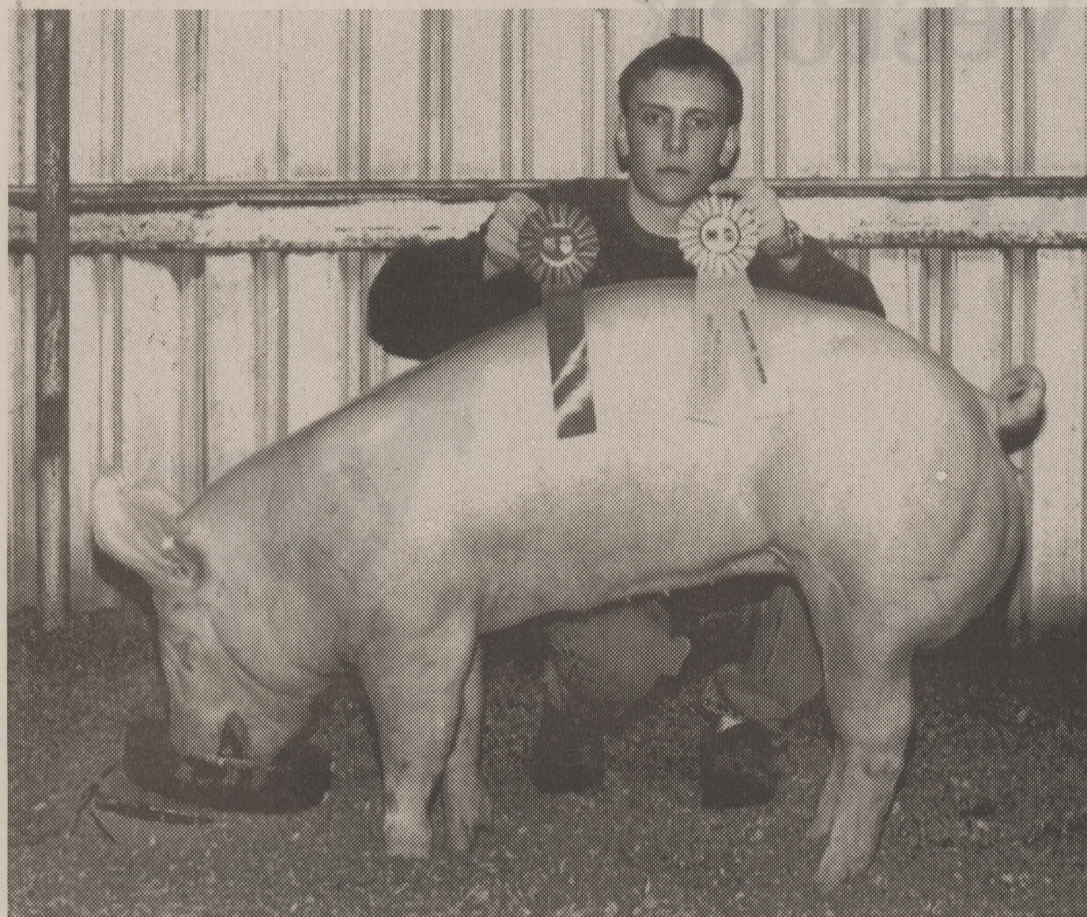
Sincerely,  
 Jennifer Young



NATHAN JOY of Cross Plains with his Champion Black O.P.B.



NATHAN JOY of Cross Plains with his Reserve Champion Black O.P.B.



NATHAN JOY of Cross Plains with his Reserve Champion Cross.

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**Results —**

**SOUTHDOWN**

Champion Heavy Weight: Emily Winfrey, Cross Plains FFA

Reserve Champion Light Weight: Emily Harris, Cross Plains FFA

**Light Weight SD**  
1st Emily Harris, Cross Plains FFA; 2nd Garrett Scott, Eula 4-H

**Heavy Weight SD**  
1st Emily Winfrey, Cross Plains FFA; 2nd Garrett Scott, Eula 4-H

**Medium Wool**  
Champion Heavy Weight: Emily Winfrey, Cross Plains FFA

Reserve Champion Heavy Weight: Chris Harris, Cross Plains FFA

**Light Weight MW**  
1st Brandon Black, Clyde 4-H; 2nd Kayla Windham, Baird FFA; 3rd Laramy Richardson, Clyde 4-H; 4th Emma Bennett, Cross Plains FFA.

**Medium Weight MW**  
1st Brittany Reeves, Clyde 4-H; 2nd Aaron Lewis, Cross Plains FFA; 3rd Ashley Hall, Cross Plains FFA; 4th Megan Chrane, Oplin 4-H; 5th Tyler Mayfield, Clyde 4-H

**Heavy Weight MW**  
1st Emily Winfrey, Cross Plains FFA; 2nd Chris Harris, Cross Plains FFA; 3rd Spencer Goldsmith, Baird 4-H; 4th Whitney Richardson, Clyde 4-H; 5th KC Milam, Cross Plains FFA.

**BOER GOAT**

Champion Doe Sr. Division: Katelynn Mitchell, Baird 4-H  
Reserve Doe Jr. Division: Katelynn Mitchell, Baird 4-H

**Jr. Doe**  
1st Katelynn Mitchell, Baird 4-H; 2nd Katelynn Mitchell, Baird 4-H; 3rd Shahala Trammel, Cross Plains 4-H; 4th Brittany Graham, Baird 4-H; 5th Charlie Voights, Baird 4-H.

**Sr. Doe**  
1st Katelynn Mitchell, Baird 4-H; 2nd Hayden Wyatt, Cross Plains FFA

**MEAT GOAT**  
Meat Goat Grand Champion Class 9: Belinda Harris, Baird FFA

Meat Goat Reserve Grand Champion Class 4: Cole Koenig, Cross Plains FFA  
Jr. Showmanship: Shayla Wilson, Clyde 4-H  
Sr. Showmanship: Whitney

Hicks, Clyde 4-H

**Class 1**  
1st Karen Ross, Cross Plains FFA; 2nd Kaysi Dean, Eula 4-H; 3rd Sammie Tollett, Cross Plains 4-H; 4th Casey Stayton, Clyde FFA.

**Class 2**  
1st Debra Roden, Clyde FFA; 2nd Sarah Wallace, Baird 4-H; 3rd Lauren Hicks, Clyde 4-H; 4th Shayla Wilson, Clyde 4-H.

**Class 3**  
1st Shiloh Mullican, Eula 4-H; 2nd Austin Dunaway, Cross Plains 4-H; 3rd Christian Havner, Clyde FFA; 4th Shayla Wilson, Clyde 4-H.

**Class 4**  
1st Cole Koenig, Cross Plains FFA; 2nd Jarett Knowles, Baird FFA; 3rd Whitney Faircloth, Eula FFA; 4th Brice Robertson, Cross Plains FFA.

**Class 5**  
1st Jarett Knowles, Baird FFA; 2nd Randy Harris, Baird FFA; 3rd Ethen White, Eula 4-H; 4th Hayden Wyatt, Cross Plains FFA.

**Class 6**  
1st Cole Koenig, Cross Plains FFA; 2nd Kaysi Dean, Eula 4-H; 3rd Ethen White, Eula 4-H; 4th Kelsey Daniels, Eula 4-H.

**Class 7**  
1st Belinda Harris, Baird FFA; 2nd Cierra Odom, Cross Plains FFA; 3rd Clay Koenig, Cross Plains FFA; 4th Randy Harris, Baird FFA.

**Class 8**  
1st Belinda Harris, Baird FFA; 2nd Debra Roden, Clyde FFA; 3rd Randy Harris, Baird FFA; 4th Katelynn Mitchell, Baird 4-H.

**Class 9**  
1st Belinda Harris, Baird FFA; 2nd Cole Koenig, Cross Plains FFA; 3rd Katelynn Mitchell, Baird 4-H; 4th Randy Harris, Baird FFA.

**Class 10**  
1st Belinda Harris, Baird FFA; 2nd Jarett Knowles, Baird FFA; 3rd Theresa Deyerle, Clyde FFA; 4th Theresa Deyerle, Clyde FFA.

**BEEF HEIFER**  
Champion Beef Heifer: Logan Turner, Cross Plains 4-H

**Class 1**  
Logan Turner, Cross Plains 4-H

**STEER**  
XVI Grand Champion Steer: Jennifer Young, Cross Plains FFA  
XVII Reserve Grand Cham-

pion Steer, Zachary Whitlock, Clyde FFA

Jr. Showmanship: Cierra Odom, Cross Plains FFA  
Sr. Showmanship: Cody Hodges, Clyde 4-H

**American Cross Class I**  
American Champion III: Shayla Lee, Clyde 4-H

**American Reserve Champion IV:** Justin Anders, Clyde FFA

**American Cross Class II**  
1st Shayla Lee, Clyde 4-H; 2nd Justin Anders, Clyde FFA; 3rd Richardo Lopez, Baird FFA.

**English Class VIII & IX**  
VII Champion English: Kandi Anders, Clyde FFA  
IX Reserve Champion English: Cody Hodges, Clyde 4-H

**Light Weight English Class V**  
1st Cody Hodges, Clyde 4-H; 2nd Nathan Joy, Cross Plains FFA; 3rd Kourtney Russell, Clyde FFA.

**Medium Weight English VI**  
1st Cierra Odom, Cross Plains FFA; 2nd Jacob Webb, Oplin 4-H; 3rd Dusty Cooper, Cross Plains FFA.

**Heavy Weight English VII**  
1st Kandi Anders, Clyde FFA; 2nd Christopher McBride, Cross Plains FFA; 3rd Loralee Reynolds, Eula 4-H.

**European**  
XIV European Champion: Jennifer Young, Cross Plains FFA

XV European Reserve Champion, Zachary Whitlock, Clyde FFA

**Light Weight European X**  
1st River Dillard, Cross Plains FFA; 2nd Laska Dillard, Cross Plains FFA; 3rd Dayna Bennett, Cross Plains FFA; 4th Issac Dickey, Baird FFA

**Light Heavy Weight European XI**  
1st Jennifer Young, Cross Plains FFA; 2nd Issac Dickey, Baird FFA; 3rd Brock Cooper, Cross Plains FFA.

**Middle Weight European XII**  
1st Zachary Whitlock, Clyde FFA; 2nd Justin Anders, Clyde FFA; 3rd Nathan Joy, Cross Plains FFA.

**Heavy Weight European XIII**  
1st Kandi Anders, Clyde FFA; 2nd Shayla Lee, Clyde 4-H; 3rd Heath Walker, Cross Plains FFA; 4th Brandon Black, Clyde 4-H.

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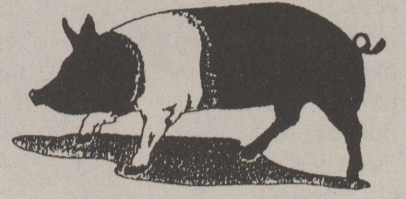
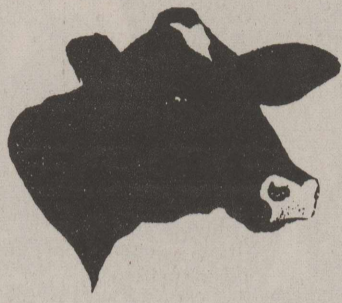
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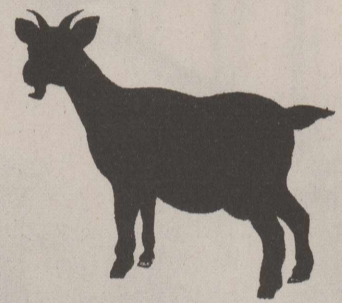
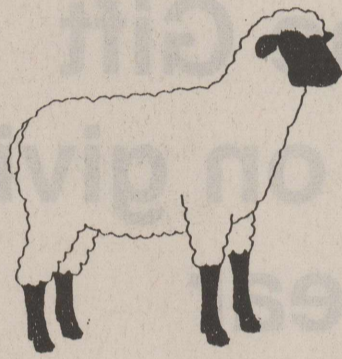
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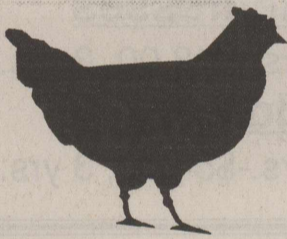
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## Sliger Inducted Into Tarleton's Alpha Chi

STEPHENVILLE, TX-- Stacey R. Sliger, a Tarleton State University student from Cross Plains, was inducted into Tarleton's Texas Alpha Kappa Chapter of Alpha Chi, the national collegiate honor society.

Sliger graduated from homeschool and is the wife of Claren Sliger. She is majoring in Psychology at the University.

Membership in Alpha Chi is limited to members of the junior and senior classes who excel academically. Grade point averages must be 3.60 or better. The objectives of the honor society are to promote and to recognize superior scholarship and those elements of character that make for effective service.

Originally called "Scholarship Societies of Texas", Alpha Chi was founded in 1922 at Southwestern University in Georgetown. There are now more than 300 chapters in 45 states, the District of Columbia and Puerto Rico. Alpha Chi represents the highest academic honor on any member campus and since its inception, over 255,000 students have been inducted.

The Texas Alpha Kappa Chapter at Tarleton was established in the fall of 1968. There are seven regions across the country and Tarleton's chapter is a member of Region I, which includes parts of Texas and New Mexico.

## Ranger College Vocational Nursing Program Announced

Ranger College is now accepting applications for the 2003-2004 Vocational Nursing Programs beginning in August 2003 in Graham and Early. Deadline for submitting applications is March 21, 2003. For additional information or to receive an application packet, call Ranger College at 254-647-3234 or send written request to: Ranger Col-

lege, Dept. of Vocational Nursing, College Circle, Ranger, TX 76470.

Admissions, employment and program policies of Ranger College are nondiscriminatory in regard to race, creed, color, sex, age, disability and national origin. All recruitment and admissions material complies with Section 504 and the ADA.



## Senior Day 2003 at State Capitol February 4

The Texas Senior Advocacy Coalition and groups from all over the state of Texas are organizing Senior Day at the Capitol with the theme, "Seniors—the Heart of Texas." Senior Day will be February 4, 2003, and it is an opportunity to celebrate the contributions older adults have made and will continue to make to the state of Texas. The event will begin with a rally on the front steps of the State Capitol in Austin at 10:30 A.M. There will be a celebrity speaker, elected officials and leaders in the aging network.

After the rally, attendees will have lunch on their own and visit with their elected officials on issues they are concerned about. It is hoped that the emphasis will be on programs and funding of programs for older adults. We also invite you to visit our Senior Day Exhibit in the Lower Rotunda of the Capitol. The display will include tributes to the outstanding contributions

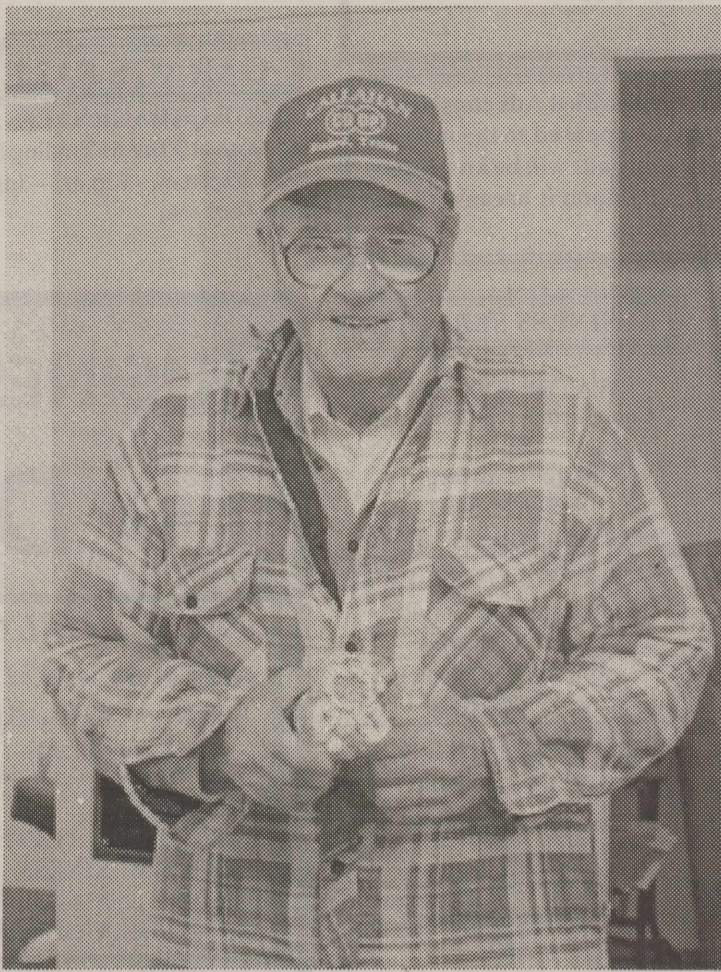
older Texans have made to our state's development.

Local groups and individuals will need to organize their own transportation, pack a lunch or have lunch in the Capitol cafeteria (can be a long wait) or a nearby restaurant.

This will be an exciting day for the seniors of Texas. It will show the state legislators that seniors care and are involved in the issues affecting them. The purpose of Senior Day 2003 at the State Capitol is to recognize and celebrate contributions made by older Texans to our State. If you cannot attend, please write letters on February 4 and fax the letters to your State Senator and the Lieutenant Governor at 512-463-0039 and your State Representative and the Speaker of the House at 512-463-0675.

Please call Lynda Ender at 214-823-5700 or email [lynda@scgd.org](mailto:lynda@scgd.org) for help in planning a group trip.

## Mastodon Tooth Found Between Clyde and Baird



**MASTODON TOOTH**—Ralph Thompson of Baird holds a mastodon tooth he uncovered on his ranch east of Baird. Thompson was digging a stock

The climate in what is now known as Callahan County certainly is different than what it was 10,000 years ago after a mastodon tooth was discovered east of Baird.

Ralph Thompson, who owns a ranch between Clyde and Baird discovered the mastodon tooth while digging a stock tank on his property. Thompson lives just south of Shady Oaks Golf Course halfway between Clyde and Baird for the past seven years.

Thompson uncovered the artifact some four years ago while building a stock tank. At the time, Thompson just cleaned up the mastodon tooth and put it away, not knowing what it was. He said he was unable to locate any other portions of the mastodon.

Just six weeks ago, he decided to have Dr. Tommy Lee, a biology professor at Abilene Christian University, look at the object. Dr. Lee identified the artifact as a mastodon tooth.

The American mastodons (scientific name *Mammuth americanum*) roamed North America from about 3,750,000 years ago to about 10,000 years ago. Adults stood between 8 to 10 feet tall at the shoulder and weighed between four to six tons. Compared to the modern-day elephant, a mastodon was shorter, but long in the body, had coarse, reddish brown hair. Mastodons became extinct

tank when he uncovered the find. Mastodons roamed the earth from about 3,750,000 years ago to about 10,000 years ago when they became extinct.

about 10,000 years ago and to this day paleontologists are trying to figure out why. Some experts say they were hunted to extinction by humans, others say the mastodon and other large mammals went extinct because of climate changes.

Mastodons teeth had blunt cones. Mastodons probably used these teeth to browse on herbs, shrubs, and trees.

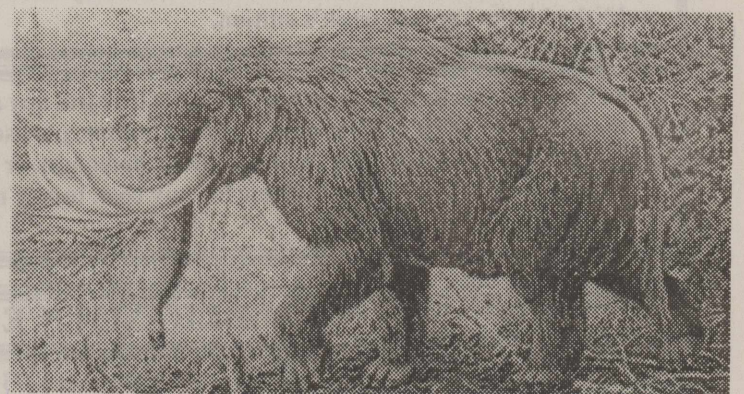
Saving part of an ancient mastodon's partially digested meal in an office refrigerator has led to a scientific discovery by a group of Ohio Wesleyan University students.

Using sample of digested plant food, which also includes cells from the animal's intestinal lining, the group has been able to reconstruct about one-third of a mastodon gene.

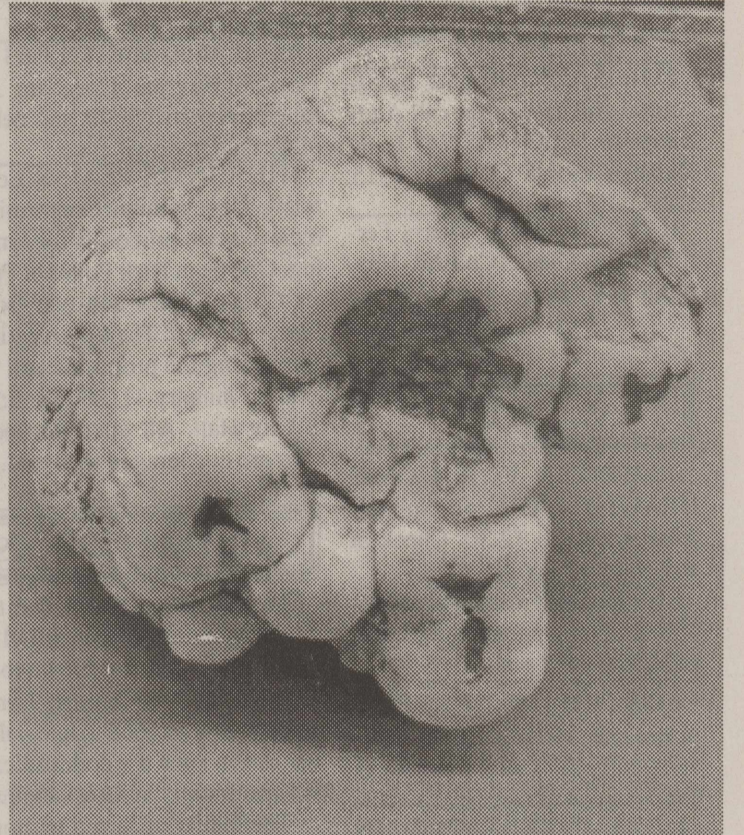
It's not enough to clone the animal, but sufficient enough to begin making comparisons to modern-day elephants.

The group's report will include a finding that one of the gene fragments was 83 percent to 95 percent identical to the same gene structure in the African elephant. Similar evolutionary comparisons have been made but were based on bone structure and appearance, not on DNA analysis.

Thompson said he is having Pat Loyd at Cowboy Country Gallery & Framing in Baird to build a display to house the tooth.



THE AMERICAN MASTODON



TOP VIEW OF THE MASTODON TOOTH LOCATED ON A RANCH BETWEEN CLYDE AND BAIRD



SIDE VIEW OF THE MASTODON TOOTH UNCOVERED BY A BAIRD RANCHER

## Immunization Clinic Dates Announced

The Texas Department of Health will hold the following immunization clinics in Callahan County on Monday, February 10th, from 10 a.m. to 12 noon in the Baird Cafetorium, 400 West 7th Street and 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. at the Cross Plains Multi-Purpose

Center, 701 Beech Street. On Wednesday, February 12th, from 10 a.m. - 12 noon and 1:30 p.m. to 3 p.m. a clinic is scheduled at the Clyde Community Resource Center, 306 N. 1st Street. For additional information, call (915) 754-4945.

## Grand Ole Oplin Invites Everyone Out This Friday

The Grand Ole Oplin invites everyone out this Friday night, January 17th, to enjoy and dance to the tunes of Texas Touch. Texas Touch is a local Clyde band that will be joining the Grand Ole Oplin every third Friday night of the month. So come out and show them your support. This coming January 18th, the Grand Ole Oplin will be hosting a Saturday night Birthday Bash in celebration of everyone who has a birthday during the month of January. Muddy Creek will be providing the dancing music. So whether its your birthday or not come out and help celebrate.

On January 24th, Muddy Creek will be joining us once again playing all of your favorite dancing tunes. And closing out the month on January 31st, we're proud to present Bluff Creek Edition. Bluff Creek Edition hales mainly from Snyder, Texas. We're proud to have

them here at the Grand Ole Oplin. They'll also have several of their CDs and tapes available for sale during the dance. So come out and let them entertain you and dance the night away.

The Grand Ole Oplin is striving to bring good entertainment to our dances for your enjoyment and your continued support is appreciated. So gather the family and friends and come on out for an evening of good friends and good music.

The Grand Ole Oplin is located at FM 604 So. and FM 2926 in Oplin. Our dances begin at 7:30 p.m., and end at 10:30 p.m. Admission is only \$4.00 per person and everyone is encouraged to bring snacks to be enjoyed by all during the band's break. Alcoholic beverages and smoking is not allowed.

Submitted by Pam Runfield



### IT'S A BOY!

Joshua Jordan Lee made his debut on Thursday, January 2, 2003 in the Campbell Health System in Weatherford, Texas at 12:56 p.m. He weighed in at 9 pounds and 8 ounces and was 20 inches in length.

His proud parents are Tricia and Gregg Lee of Mineral Wells. Joshua is welcomed home by his sister, Allison.

Maternal grandparents are George and Judith Heggan of Kerville. Paternal grandparents are Junior and Marilyn Lee of Hico. Maternal great-grandparents are Robert and Nancy Mayers of Englewood, Florida. Paternal great-grandparents are Marvin and Joyce Behrens of Hico and Ruby Lee of Cross Plains.

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