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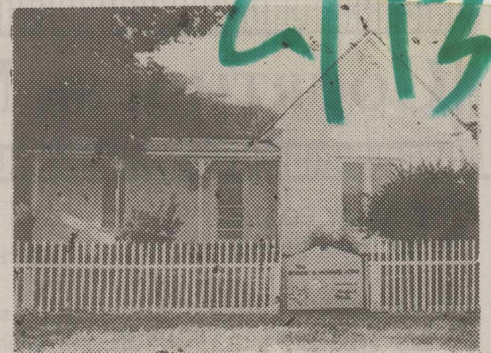


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## DOWN HOME

**EDITOR'S NOTE:** Here are two more offerings from "Author Unknown" that I felt you would appreciate. What would we do without our friends to share our joy and sorrow? The comfort and thoughtfulness they convey makes our day complete. I thank God for my precious friends. Let's all try to be the kind of friend described below.

The second contribution of "feel good" words give encouragement that we all need. I love the idea that God could be smiling on us—how about you? Vanda Anderson Creech

### "Why God Gave Us Friends"

GOD knew that everyone needs companionship and cheer, He knew that people need someone whose thoughts are always near.

He knew they need someone kind to lend a helping hand. Someone to gladly take the time to care and understand.

GOD knew that we all need someone to share each happy day, to be a source of courage when troubles come our way.

Someone to be true to us, whether near or far apart. Someone whose love we'll always hold and treasure in our hearts.

That's why GOD gave Us Friends

Author Unknown

Good Wishes to You!

Today...I wish you a day of ordinary miracles----

A fresh pot of coffee you didn't make yourself.

An unexpected phone call from an old friend.

Green stoplights on your way to work or shop.

I wish you a day of little things to rejoice in.

The fastest line at the grocery store.

A good sing-along song on the radio.

Your keys right where you look.

I wish you a day of happiness and perfection, little bite size pieces of perfection that give you the funny feeling that the Lord is smiling on you, holding you so gently because you are someone special and rare.

Author Unknown

## American Legion Bldg. to be Discussed at Meeting

The American Legion will hold a business meeting on Tuesday, February 18, at 6:30 p.m. at Jean's Feed Barn in Cross Plains.

Discussion concerning the American Legion building located at North East 1st Street in Cross Plains will be main focus of the session. All American Legion members are encouraged to attend this important meeting.



**BOOKS DELIVERED TO HIGH SCHOOL LIBRARY**—Congressman Stenholm came to Cross Plains I.S.D. January 23rd to deliver reference books to the High School Library and to hold an assembly with the student body. Congressman Stenholm has donated books in the past to the high school library. Recently a need was discovered to update the Agriculture Yearbooks and Mrs. Marilyn Tennison contacted Congressman Stenholm's office and they were willing to donate more books. Stenholm arranged for the school to receive copies of all the titles available that the school did not have. Accepting books were Roy Richey (from left), Marilyn Tennison, Marc Morgan and Gail Thompson (not pictured).

## Highway 206 Baptist Mission to Celebrate

Highway 206 Baptist Mission in Cross Plains will be celebrating their 8th year on Friday, February 28, beginning at 6:00 p.m. The celebration will begin with a meal, followed by the performance of "Glory Bound Gospel Group".

Dwaine Clower will be the evangelist for the evening. They will also be recognizing those who contributed to their construction project. Highway 206 Baptist Mission cordially invites everyone to join them in their joyous occasion.

## Valentine Supper Fund-raiser at Cottonwood Baptist

In Mark 9:35, Jesus said, "If anyone desires to be first, he shall be last of all and servant of all." Well, I don't know if we have any desire to be first, but we do desire to serve all. We desire to serve spaghetti, garlic bread, salad, tea and dessert to all who come to Cottonwood Baptist Church's Valentine's Day Supper.

Our youth will be doing more than serving. They will be decorating, cooking and cleaning up afterwards. All you have to do is show up and eat. But we're not doing this solely because we want to be servants (though I'm sure that motivation is in there somewhere). We're doing it to help raise funds for our summer trip to the Youth Evangelism Conference in San Antonio.

YEC is a life-changing experience: Praise and Worship so real

you can feel it, fellowship so close you can touch it, and God's word shared so powerfully, you can't help but live it. Plus, it's a whole lot of fun! And it always has a positive impact on every youth who attends.

So if you have a heart for youth who have a heart for God, or if you just like hanging out with a bunch of great young people, join us this Valentine's Day, Friday, February 14, at Cottonwood Baptist Church from 7:00 p.m. until the last person is served. Cost is \$5.00 per person, \$8.00 per couple, or \$12 per family. It will be money well spent for food and for the youth. But be forewarned; we Baptists know how to cook, but we also know how to eat. So don't tarry, or the desserts may be all be gone!

Submitted by Greg Steinkle

## Nunez Family Speaking at Living Water Ministries This Weekend

Billy and Angie Nunez, pastors of Rivercity Fellowship, San Antonio will be ministering at Living Water Ministries February 15th and 16th. Fellowship will be at 5:00 p.m. Saturday and evening services begin at 6:30 p.m. Sunday morning services will be at 10:00 a.m. with lunch afterward.

These servants of the Lord, given to the body of Christ for maturing and equipping of the saints (Ephesians 4:11), are coming with a Kairos word for the church in a Kairos time. This is the hour for the church to arise! For her light has come and the glory of the Lord is risen upon her! (Isaiah 6).

These are precious days for the church—because gross darkness is upon the earth. Those who know their God shall do mighty exploits in His Name for the building up and establishing of His Kingdom!

Come join with us to worship our King and to hear what the Spirit is saying to the saints in this hour.

Submitted by Colleen Anderson

## Callahan Co. Child Welfare Board to Meet

The Callahan County Child Welfare Board will hold a regular meeting on the 20th day of February, 2003 at 6:00 p.m., at Jean's Feed Barn in Cross Plains.

## Meeting for 2003 CPHS Homecoming

An organization meeting for the Cross Plains High School 2003 Homecoming is scheduled for Monday, February 17, at 7:00 p.m. at Jean's Feed Barn in Cross Plains.

The Homecoming has been set for September 13, 2003, so make your plans in advance to attend.

Anyone who would like to help in planning the upcoming reunion of students is welcome to attend. Everyone's cooperation is what

makes the event a success every three years. See you there!!!!

## GED Classes May Be Offered at Cross Plains Public Library

Central Texas Opportunities Inc. of Coleman is in the process of setting up GED classes in the community for local people to study for their GED.

Tammy Odom, Outreach Director, Cross Plains, states that there are a number of people in the community who desire their GED, but have no resources for traveling to another town to obtain the studies to receive the degree.

We need to get a certain number of people signed up for the classes to warrant the time, materials and teachers to get the classes started. The Cross Plains Public Library has offered the use of the library for the services.

If you are interested, please contact Tammy Odom at 1-800-625-4167 Ext. 223 or your local library at (254) 725-7722.

Submitted by Cherry Shults



**WELCOME BACK RECIE**—A reception will be held at Texas Heritage Bank honoring Recie Tatom's return to her position at the bank, following a length illness. The celebration will be from 9 a.m. till noon in the bank lobby. All her friends and relatives are cordially invited to come by and wish her well.

## Blessed Automotive Now Open on Highway 36 East in Cross Plains

By Vanda Anderson Creech

James Tidwell has recently purchased the building that formerly housed Coyote Flat and opened a new business, Blessed Automotive.

Two full-time mechanics have been employed to provide gasoline and diesel engine repairs. They have over 20 years combined experience.

All types of welding and cutting will also be available at his shop.

James has been providing car washing and detailing on Main Street and will continue with this service at his new location (beside Lawrence Farm and Ranch). Basic car wash to full detailing will be available for both autos, trucks and 18-wheelers. The price will be based on the job.

Truck and tire repair is yet another phase of Blessed Automotive. New and used tires will also be sold. Roadside service is also available.

A plus for all James' services is

that he will provide pick-up and delivery of your vehicle.

The front display space (north end of building) is vacant and will be rented to anyone interested in putting in a business.

Business hours will be 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Monday through Saturday. For additional information call James at (254) 725-7671. He invites everyone to come by and get acquainted. Friendly and efficient service is the goal of Blessed Automotive.

**Texas Heritage Bank**

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## SCHOOL HOLIDAY

### MONDAY, FEBRUARY 17, 2003

### Classes Will Resume

### Tuesday, February 18, 2003 at Regular Time.

# COURTHOUSE NEWS

**COUNTY COURT**  
Roger Corn, presiding

**Marriage Licenses**

**Misdemeanor Filings**

Wanda Coffelt, theft by check.  
Michael Keith, theft by check.  
Jessie V. Munoz, possession of alcohol beverage in vehicle.  
Gavin C. Jackson, driving while intoxicated (DWI).  
David E. Dooley, Jr., failure to identify.  
Lisa M. Cooley, possession of marijuana.

Mark Joseph Baidas and Donna Lynn Bennett, both of Clyde.  
Cody Ray Leggett of Clyde and Robbie Eve Trussell of Abilene.

**42nd DISTRICT COURT**  
John Weeks, presiding

**Civil Filings**

Michael Casey and Rebecca Swiney vs. Evalyn Irene Young, damages.  
Robbyn Leigh Menzel and Adam Lee Menzel, divorce.

**Civil Minutes**

Jillian Hancock McCormack and Vernon Keith McCormack, divorce granted.

Mary E. Fortney, individually and on behalf of the estate of John S. Collingwood vs. Matthew Berry and Denise Berry, plaintiff's motion for non-suit granted.

James E. Kelly vs. Jimmy Ross Byrd, order of dismissal with prejudice granted.

**Criminal Information & Complaints**

Corey D. Haas, attempt to manufacture a controlled substance.

**Criminal Indictments**

Donald Zant, criminal mischief.

**Criminal Minutes**

Aaron F. Saenz, principal and Don Lawman Slatton dba SOS Bail Bond, surety, compromise settlement and agreement and order granted.

# OBITUARIES

## Irma Deen Haddox

Irma Deen Haddox, 84, of Ira, peacefully went to be with the Lord on Monday, February 3, 2003, after a lengthy illness.

Services were held Wednesday, February 5, 2003, at 3:00 p.m. at the Ira Church of God with her son, the Rev. Bobby Haddox, officiating. Burial was in Ira Cemetery under the direction of Community Memorial Funeral Home of Abilene.

Irma Deen, the youngest of four children, was born August 12, 1918, in Ira to Bill and Mintie (Barnett) Giddens. She was a 1937 graduate of Ira High School. Her graduating class was the first to wear a cap and gown at Ira.

She was employed for many years at the cafe in Ira as a cook, and later owned and operated the cafe, Deen's Place, until her retirement in 1983. She lived in Ira until 1995 at which time she moved to Colonial Oaks Nursing Home in Cross Plains to be near her daughter. When the nursing home in Cross Plains closed in 2002, she moved to Coronado Nursing Center in Abilene. She was a member of the Ira Baptist Church.

Survivors include three children, Deena Levoy (Haddox) Arnold of Livingston, Deborah (Haddox) Griswold and husband, James, of Hawley, and Rev. Bobby Haddox and wife, Lori, of Welly, Oklahoma; eight grandchildren, David and Jeff Arnold, Stephen, Timothy and Michael Curry, LaTrisha (Curry) Clark, and Lee and Wesley Haddox; fourteen great-grandchildren, Brittany and Jessica Arnold, Whitney, Justin and Gloria Clark, Brian Curry, Jennifer and Zackery Lee, Brayden, Ethan, Alyson, Trinity, Brianna and Doc Haddox; three step-grandchildren, Randy, James and David Griswold; two special sisters, Edna Branin of Jal, New Mexico and Anna Perry of Lake Charles, Louisiana; as well as numerous nieces and nephews.

Welcoming her into heaven were her parents; a brother, Winfrey Giddens; two sisters, Ruby (Giddens) Brooks and Mayme Giddens; a granddaughter, Michelle Arnold, and son-in-law, John Arnold.

Dean touched the lives of so many people. She will be remembered as a loving mother, grandmother and great-grandmother, and will be greatly missed.

Grandchildren served as pallbearers.

Memorials may be made to Hospice of the Big Country, 4601 Hartford, Abilene, Texas 79605 or United Way of Abilene, P.O. Box 82, Abilene, Texas 79604.

## Katelyn Ann Jackson

Katelyn Ann Jackson, a newborn, of Bridgeport, Texas, passed away February 8, 2003, in Fort Worth.

Graveside services were held Tuesday, February 11, 2003, at 11:00 a.m. at East Bridgeport Cemetery in Bridgeport, Texas with Bro. Eddy Hooker officiating.

Katelyn Ann was born February 8, 2003 in Fort Worth, the daughter of Jay and Bea Kay Jackson of Bridgeport.

Survivors include her parents, Jay and Bea Kay Jackson of Bridgeport; grandparents, Sharon and Michael Fisher and Billy and Kay Bell of Cross Plains; uncles, Joseph Jackson and wife, Alisha, and their son, J.T.; Billy Bell and his wife, Donna, and their daughter, Rene; and Timothy Fisher; an aunt, Felicia Fisher; great-grandparents, Betty Dawson, Nina Fisher, Viola Campbell, and Jackie and Jay Evans of Cross Plains.

She was preceded in death by her grandfather, Jerry T. Jackson in 2000, great-grandparents, Gordon and Beatrice Bell, and an aunt, Tiffany Louise Jackson in 1984.

Jay Evans served as the pallbearer.

## Ruby N. Harrell

Mrs. Ruby Harrell, 90, of Cross Plains, passed away Monday, February 10, 2003, in the Western Manor Nursing Home in Ranger.

Funeral services will be 11:00 a.m. Friday, February 14, 2003, at the Higginbotham Chapel with Bob Pipes officiating. Burial will be in the Richland Springs Cemetery with graveside rites at 3:00 p.m. with Higginbotham Funeral Home of Cross Plains in charge of the arrangements.

The family will receive friends and relatives from 6 to 7 p.m. Thursday at Higginbotham Funeral Home.

Ruby was born February 3, 1913 in Arizona to William Lewis Rodgers and Augusta Vernon White Rogers. She married Willie D. Harrell in Stanton, Texas on February 6, 1932. She was a member of Cross Plains Church of Christ.

Survivors include three sons, Alfred Harrell and wife, Joann, and James Harrell and wife, Judy, all of Caney City; Robert (Bob) Harrell and wife, Dee (Dianne), of Cross Plains; a daughter, Betty Faught and husband, Lynn (Sonny), of San Saba; 12 grandchildren, 25 great-grandchildren and 5 great-great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Willie; one son; one daughter; two grandsons; and one great-granddaughter.

Memorials may be made to the Church of Christ Memorial Building Fund, P.O. Box 576, Cross Plains, Texas 76443 or Cross Plains Senior Citizens' Center, c/o Texas Heritage Bank, P.O. Box 699, Cross Plains, Texas 76443.

## Bessie Jean Burleson Fortune

Bessie Jean Burleson Fortune, 69, of Sweetwater, passed away Saturday, February 8, 2003, in a Sweetwater hospital. Services were held at 11:00 a.m. Monday at Starbuck Funeral Home Chapel in Merkel with the Rev. T.C. Melton officiating. Burial was in Rose Hill Cemetery.

Bessie was born September 10, 1933 in Corpus Christi to Eugene Willis and Louise Grover Herring. She attended school at Noodle. Bessie was employed by Phillips Petroleum in security and at Hendrick Medical Center in admissions for 12 years. She was a Baptist.

She married A.E. Fortune on September 10, 1993, in Abilene.

Survivors include her husband, A.E. Fortune of Sweetwater; four daughters, Christy Ordonez of Sweeney, Paula Family and husband, Bubba, of Church Hill, Melony Bruegel and husband, Jeff, of Brazoria and LeAnn Mansel and husband, Ernie of Old Ocean; one son, Phillip Burleson and wife, Cindy, of Whitter, California; three stepsons, Kerry Fortune and wife, Elaine, of Anson, Wayne Fortune of Longview and Ray Fortune and wife, Carla, of Crowley; two step-daughters, Joy Martin and husband, Joyce, of Sweetwater and Mary Dunn and husband, Tom, of Cross Plains; two brothers, Jimmy, Herring and wife, Betty, of Lafayette, Louisiana and Rickey Herring and wife, Marilyn, of Victoria; four sisters, Erma Taylor of Fort Worth, Betty McBay and husband, Bill, of Garland, Rutha Miller of Abilene and Patsy Thompson and husband, Jason, of Potosi; 13 grandchildren; nine great-grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by a daughter, Shirley Ann Burleson; parents, Bill and Louise Herring; and a brother, E.W. Herring.

Memorials may be made to Ben Richey Boys Ranch, P.O. Box 6839, Abilene, Texas 79608.

## Choral and Vocal Training Offered at First Baptist Church in Cross Plains

Children's choral and vocal training will be offered to the public by the Music Ministry of First Baptist Church, each Wednesday from 7:00 to 8:00 p.m.

Preschoolers will have the opportunity to learn the basic essentials of rhythm and the joy of music and singing. The 1st to 3rd grade "Music Makers" will learn the musical vocabulary, hymns,

to recognize musical styles and symbols, and the joy of singing together. The 4th to 6th grade "Young Musicians" will gain experience in ear training, vocal techniques, music appreciation and harmony.

To enroll in one of these choirs, call the office of First Baptist Church, 725-7629. It is fun and it is free.

## Callahan County DPS Report

Calls received by the Callahan County Department of Public Safety from February 2, 2003 through February 8, 2003 include:

**Cases Investigated**

Warnings—105  
Complaints—120  
DWI—2  
Possession of drug paraphernalia—1  
Driving under influence of alcoholic beverage minor—1  
Public intoxication—2

**Vehicle Accidents**

There were three vehicle accidents investigated during this time span.

**People Arrested On Outstanding Warrants**

There were five outstanding warrants issued for a total of \$1,255.00 collected.

## Cross Plains Masonic Lodge No. 627

**Stated Meeting**  
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## First Baptist Church

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**Sunday's Sermon**

**"Who Tore Off The Roof"**

## You Are Invited To 8th Year Celebration

At  
**Highway 206 Baptist Mission**  
Cross Plains

Friday, February 28, 2003

Meal Beginning At 6:00 p.m.

Vocalists - Glory Bound Gospel Group

Evangelist - Dwaine Clower

## CHURCH DIRECTORY

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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  
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Sunday Morning Worship.....11:00 A.M.  
Sunday Evening Worship.....6:00 P.M.  
Bill Armstrong - Pastor

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## LIBRARY NOTES



### Library Genealogy Class

Are you interested in your ancestor's? Wonder what is in your Family Tree? Good, then you are who we are looking for. A new class on Genealogy is being formed here in Cross Plains, at the Library, we will meet each FRIDAY from 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. beginning March 7. Please bring your interest, and we will try our best to help you get started on your family tree.

Sandra Ingram and Sharon Pope will be teaching and learning along with you...we will tell you some stories and some mistakes we made along the way, so hopefully you will not make the same. Between the two of us, we have approximately 8 years of Genealogy

experience. But, we are by no means experts, we learn something new most of the time as new records are made available on the internet and also in the public records.

We hope to see you there. For additional information, please contact the Library at (254) 725-7722.

Submitted by Sandra Ingram

### Statistics February 3 - 7

<b>Circulation:</b>	
Books	72
Lap	48
TOTAL	120
<b>Donations:</b>	
Books	
Ealy M. and Mary M. Black	

## GARDEN TIP OF THE MONTH

BY WANDA HAMMEL

By Johnny Hart

It's planning and planting garden time again. Cold crops should be planted now. Onions, spinach, beets, carrots, early peas and turnips do best.

Companion planting is the growing of two crops on the same area at the same time. With this method a greater yield may be secured from any garden. For example, when any early-maturing crop is planted between the rows or hills of a crop that matures later, the early one can be harvested before it interferes with the other.

A good guide for planting potatoes and green bean crops is: potatoes on St. Patrick's Day and beans on Good Friday. We have used this method for over 50 years in this area with great success.

### Some Food for Thought

A seed is such a tremendous thing, it can sit on a shelf forever. But how it knows what to do, when it is stuck in the ground, is what makes it so clever.

It draws nutrients from the soil through its roots and gathers force from the sun.

It puts forth a whole lot of blossoms and fruit, reseeds itself when it is done.

Who programmed the seed to know what to do? And who put the sun in the sky?

And who put the food in the dirt for the roots? And who told the bees to come by?

And who make the water fall from above, to refresh and make everything pure?

Perhaps all this is a product of love, and perhaps it happened by chance.

## PIONEER NEWS

The ladies had a good time quilting Tuesday. We did get Glenda's "Star" quilt out. Jean Alexander put her "Dutch Doll" top in the frame. It was pieced by Della Browning a long time ago. It is another "special" top. We are working on the "Flower Garden". We had our monthly meeting with 9 members present. We discussed fixing our "powder room". It sure does need it!

We really do miss Laverne Hutton. She is recovering at home after having a pacemaker put in. She went to Temple to have the surgery done. Cowan says she is progressing nicely. Get well soon, Laverne!

Frankie Smith and Jean Fore enjoyed the musical at the Truck Stop in Rising Star. They have it every Thursday, except the 3rd Thursday of the month. The food was also good! Friday Jean and Frankie went to the Scranton Musical with Freddie and Maudine Blount. It was very enjoyable.

Linda Worley from Hewitt spent Friday and Saturday night with her mother, Olena Ezzell, and other family members. Saturday they visited Joyce Berten, who is in the hospital, and did a little shopping before returning home. Uva Jones visited her sister, Olena, for a short time one day last week.

James and Jean Alexander and May Jones attended the wedding of Chris Fambro and Kristi Mitchell. The wedding and reception were held at the Wooten Hotel in Abilene. Chris is the son of Glenna and Mark Fambro, the grandson of Wallace and Jo Clair (Hughes) Cullers, the great-nephew of James, Jean and May. Chris, Kristi and Jackson are making their home in Leonard, where Chris is coaching.

Thursday evening, because of the weather, seven of us met at the home of Frankie Smith to play dominos (84). We had a "great" time. We had chili, beans, cornbread, Jello, slaw, cobbler and more to eat, yum, yum! Thanks, Frankie for having us. The next meeting will be February 20. Come on out to the Pioneer Community Center.

The community woke up to a "winter wonderland" on Friday. It sure was beautiful for a spell. We did appreciate the moisture it brought. Let's all pray for it to rain soon. The grain crops need the rain.

Word of Wisdom: We are apt to forget that children watch example better than they listen to preaching. Roy L. Smith

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## COTTONWOOD NEWS

BY WALLACE BENNETT

### Cottonwood Is Still Alive, Active: No Matter What Some Detractors Say

I take exception to a statement made in the book, "I Remember Callahan". It is on page 31, and indicates that Cottonwood is among a list of communities in the county that once existed, but, for the most part, now "exists in name only".

I have heard others say things like that and intimate that Cottonwood is, or should be, a ghost town. "Why don't those people (in Cottonwood) give up out there. They should realize that for the most part, people who live in Cottonwood are more tied to other communities and things that go on in them rather than in Cottonwood."

It is true that Cottonwood has lost its Post Office, its school, the Methodist Church and businesses. And, it never had a town council or city government that I know of, but let me tell you about the "Spirit of Cottonwood" which has not been lost. Come and visit the Cottonwood Church of Christ and the Cottonwood Baptist Church. They are both alive and well. And the Baptist Church is now involved in a fund-raising project to send its youth group to Old Mexico to help a church there repair its buildings and build new facilities.

Come to the Cottonwood Community Center on Thursday mornings and listen to the snick of needles as the Cottonwood Quilting Club, in existence for over 50 years, pieces together a new quilt for a new bride, or a quilt for some charity such as the West Texas Rehabilitation Center.

The Quilting Club also hosts the Cottonwood Musical each

month that attracts musicians from a wide area across the Texas Big Country and plays to a lively foot-stomping audience. The club also administers and maintains the Cottonwood Community Center.

Come to the monthly meeting of the Cottonwood Volunteer Fire Control unit as they train and keep equipment in good repair so as to answer community fire emergencies as a first response team. Drive by the Cottonwood Community Center on almost any weekend and see the numerous cars parked there that belong to members of Cottonwood families who still come back for family reunions.

The Cottonwood Historical Association is very active, as it administers and maintains the old and new cemeteries; maintains the historical Old Post Office; and the old Methodist Episcopal Church South.

The Cottonwood Community boosts an active Community Chorus and holds a community-wide 4th of July Celebration and a Community Christmas Party. And there are many other projects and activities that keep alive the "Spirit of Cottonwood".

Does all that sound like Cottonwood exists in "name only"? And do you know what? It's all done by volunteers. We hope you are one of them.

### Fire Control Unit to Hold Work-Day

February 22nd is the date set for a Work-Day at the Cottonwood Volunteer Fire Control station. Work will commence at 10 a.m. and end at 12:00 noon. Volunteers are critically needed for the organization to accomplish its mission, according to Fire Chief

Bob Childress.

The mission of the Cottonwood Fire Volunteers is to make a first response for grass and brush fire emergencies and protect buildings and other personal property until Fire Departments from Cross Plains and/or Baird can arrive and take over.

The work this coming Saturday will involve clean-up around the station and make readiness checks on all equipment. If you are a resident of Cottonwood, you can count yourself within the scope of being helped someday by the Cottonwood Fire Volunteers.

### Cottonwood Connections

It is always good to get a note or letter from Granvel and Nola Van Pierce. They are informative, sometimes decorated with humorous characters, and always well received.

His latest note was to confirm my quote from memory of Jack Scott's mantra published for so long in the *Cross Plains Review*. Granvel included a photostatic copy of a clipping from the December 18, 1942 edition of the *Review* with that quote printed along the folio line of the front page. It bears repeating: "When The One Great Scorer Comes to Write Against Your Name, He Writes Not Whether You Won or Lost, But How You Played The Game."

Granvel also sent along a picture of an Aggie motorcycle—a cow, with a padded motorcycle seat for a saddle, long horns for handle-bars, a pink udder and four differently colored socks. It was entitled "Cow-A-Socky". Thanks Granvel, I will share it with my Aggie buddies.

P.S. Even Granvel's envelopes are collectibles.

## QUIPS, CLIPS & COMMENTS

BY KAY MOSLEY

Note: Tomorrow is Valentine's Day, February 14, 2003. Are you in a Valentine mood? Presumably there's a little touch of the romantic in each of us. Some prefer the satin and lace type Valentines, some the very plain spoken type, while still others like the funny, comedy type. One year I received a most unexpected Valentine. My granddaughter, Paige Marie, arrived on Valentine's Day, so tomorrow she will be 6 years old. My how time flies. My other granddaughter, Summer Nicole, will also be 6 on March 5, 2003, while her brother, Zach, became fifteen years old February 5, just a few days back.

No matter how you celebrate Valentine's Day or with whom, have a great one. Happy Valentine's Day from me, also.

### "Lean On Me!"

It is just so nice to have good friends. Someone you can trust and someone who's put their trust in you. Someone who does things

for you and someone who you can do things for.

Most good friendships will never die; sometimes over the years, a friendship may fade or falter due to living far apart. However, a friendship can always be renewed, given time and circumstances.

I remember my paternal grandmother, Mary Dennis, had a friend also named Mary (Hi to Ila Jo). Their friendship began when they were young women, but years later they were still corresponding. I'm talking 70 years or more. That's how they had stayed in touch over the years; by mail, every time one moved they made sure to forward their new address to the other. I remember that as a youngster we all thought it was so cool, as well as funny, that they were both named Mary. We referred to her friend as Granny's friend, Mary. I know they were still corresponding in the 60's. During the 70's Granny went to Heaven to be with her Lord. Most of us are pretty much self-

reliant as well as being willing to help others. Many times a few words of encouragement is all the help needed to spur them on their way. Sometimes it may take many, many prayers, perhaps it may take even more, lots more prayers, words of encouragement, solace, forgiveness, explanations, sympathy and other types of help. Just whatever it takes. It has been said, many many times, PRAYER CHANGES THINGS.

But you know, just being there and showing that you care means a lot too. Friends are so good to have...but don't forget; it also is so great just when you need a bit of assistance to look up and see your friends there telling you, "Things will get better, just Lean On Me!"

I was so fortunate when I became so ill in December 2001 to have so many caring friends, many prayed, some visited me in the hospital and at home, and many helped in other ways too numerous to list here. Isn't Christian Love wonderful?????

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By Bob Pipes  
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A clock on an old English tower lost its hands and for some reason they were not replaced. Every week, however, the sexton wound the clock and it went right on "ticking." It "kept time" but it kept it to itself, not benefiting anyone because nobody could "read its mind."

Our life can be a lot like that rather useless clock if our "hands" are lost or missing. I don't mean "lost or missing" literally, of course, and I don't mean just hands. It may be our arms or legs—or our smile or kind word that's missing—in other words, the help that could come from our life but doesn't because something is "missing in action."

Jesus explained that one test of whether one's life is a success or a failure is determined by whether or not one helps another who is in need—a hungry, thirsty, lonely, naked, sick or persecuted person. (Matthew 25:31-46). He implied quite heavily that to help one of these is to help Him—and to ignore the need(s) of one of these is to ignore Him.

So, even in addition to the eternal implications, is your life like the rather useless clock—or does your life have helpful, useful "hands." The proof or test of a good clock is not just in whether it ticks or not, rather if it tells accurate time or not—and all the time, and consistently, at that. Are you just "ticking"—or are you "telling correct time?"

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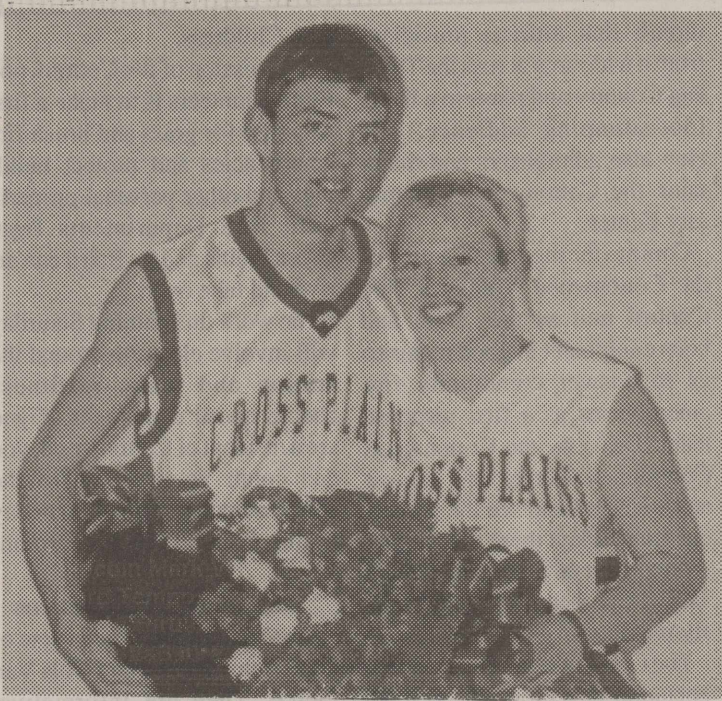
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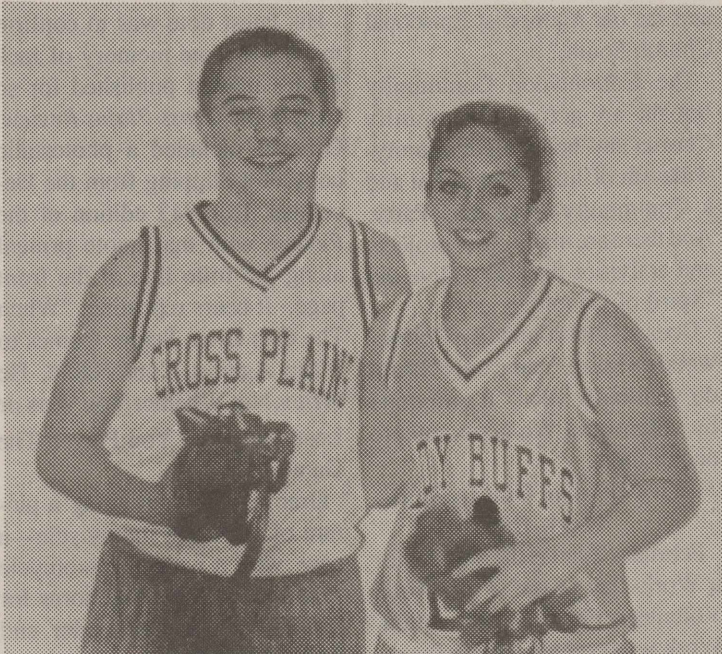
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# C.P. STUDENT REVIEW



**HIGH SCHOOL BASKETBALL SENIOR BEAU AND SWEETHEART** — Chris Harris, son of Nikki and Evelyn Harris, and Judith Hartman, daughter of Louis and Susan Hartman.



**JUNIOR HIGH BASKETBALL 8TH GRADE BEAU AND SWEETHEART** — Russell Thomas, son of Jackie Dale and Roxie Thomas, and Karen Scott, daughter of Greg and Liz Hutchins and Ronnie and Bonnie Scott.

## Local Students Place Well in Major Stock Show at Fort Worth

### "Congratulations" to Each Exhibitor Who Participated

Several members of the Cross Plains FFA travelled to Fort Worth January 28-31, to participate in the 2003 Southwestern Exposition and Livestock Show. There were 13 members and 16 animals participating from the chapter. Cross Plains was well represented by these young people and they should be commended for their efforts and congratulated for their success.

Participating members and their placings included:

Lambs: **Emily Winfrey** - 4 Placing Market Lambs

Goats: **Cole Koenig** - 1st place meat goat

Steers: **Nathan Joy** - 11th Place Lightweight Shorthorn, **Heath Walker** - Heavy Weight European

Barrows: **Mykea Douglass, Chance Hyles, Christin Hyles, Shana Hyles, Nathan Joy** - 10th place Middle weight Cross, **Chris McBride, David Peters** - 15th Middle weigh York, **Angela Rodriguez, Chad Switzer** - 18th place Middle weight Hamp

Submitted By:  
Marc Morgan

Agricultural Science Teacher



**JUNIOR HIGH "A" TEAM**—Tracey Randolph (front, from left) and Kassie Milam. Coach Dillard (back, from left), Karen Scott, Mykea Douglass, Christina Avants, Brittani Libey and Michaela Wallace



**JUNIOR HIGH "B" TEAM**—Christi Burrhus (front, from left) and Rene Byars. Coach Dillard (middle, from left), Starla Schaefer, Tiffany Walker, Jennie Lewis and Betty Mathews. Hailey Biggs (back, from left), Brittany Stout and Macayla Cook.

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## ELEMENTARY EXTRA

BY NANCY RANDOLPH

Forty-one fifth and sixth graders were treated to a trip to Abilene Tuesday, February 4, to watch the McMurry and Hardin-Simmons girls' basketball game. This game was a special event because two former Cross Plains students were starting for each team (Laura Ricci and Whitney Giles). Both girls have been at the schools for four years and have been recognized as academic scholars.

The game was very close the first half. The Cowgirls came out the second half and took control. We could all see why they are the second ranked team in the nation. Mrs. Terry Thomas arrange the trip and Whitney, Laura and some of other Cowgirls came for autographs following the game. The trip ended with a trip to McDonalds for supper.

The students would like to thank Mrs. Sowell and Mrs. Stover for chaperoning the trip. Andrew Taff was a wonderful addition to the trip, as he went along as one of the chaperones. The students were joined at the gym by Mr. Dunaway, Mrs. Ricci and Mrs. Randolph. It was a fun night for all.

The 4th six weeks is coming to an end. A "character counts" as-

sembly will be held Friday, February 14, at 8 a.m. The focus this six weeks has been fairness. The assembly will also include information on black history, Valentine's Day and presidents. The 3rd and 4th grade choirs will perform.

Classes will be celebrating Valentine's Day with card exchanges. The Pre-Kindergarten will have two exchanges and snacks. The morning class will celebrate at 9-9:45 a.m. and the p.m. bunch will celebrate at 1-1:45 p.m. Parents are invited to come join the fun. Most of the other classes will have their exchanges at the end of the day at 3:15 p.m. during the tutorial period.

The PTO has worked very hard to put up new AR boards in the foyer of the elementary building. Come check it out. The kids are racing towards goals of points to receive a trip to Mr. Gatti's. Mrs. Rockett and Mrs. Thomas worked very hard. The elementary teachers would like to say "thank you".

Don't forget—no school Monday, February 17th.

Science book reports are due Wednesday, February 19, in Mrs. Purvis' science class.

## Junior High Girls Basketball Report

Thursday, January 30, 2003 the "A" Team girls and boys were in the Albany JH Tournament. Cross Plains girls first game was against Ranger, once again these girls meet. Our girls had a small group this time with one out with a touch of sickness and a few that were on the edge of sick. So the girls had to regroup and play extra hard. Team players: Douglas 10, Avants 5, Randolph 4, Libey 2, Milam 2 and Wallace.

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Saturday, February 1, 2003 the girls played their second game at 11:00 against Albany. The girls were once again out numbered (13 girls for Albany). Our sick girl was back and the others were still on the edge of sick. Team players: Scott 8, Avants 6, Milam 5, Douglass 2, Randolph 2, Libey 1 and Wallace.

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Albany had a very fast-strong team and one girl who scored 19 points. Cross Plains didn't have enough subs to stay up with Albany's bunch, but the girls worked hard under not so good

conditions. GOOD JOB LADIES...

Monday, February 3, 2003 was the Junior High girl's last ball game for the 2002-2003 season.

The "A" Team started at 5:00 against a tough team from Hamlin. The girls were back feeling better and ready to take on this team. Team players: Randolph 8, Scott 8, Avants 4, Wallace 4, Milam 2, Douglass and Libey.

This was a close and exciting game. The girls finally had a great third quarter of scoring. The other three quarters were very close. The girls played a fast pace press and a stout defense. Both teams were equal on number of players. GREAT GAME—YEA!!!

The "B" Team started at 6:00 in the old gym against a fast bunch of girls from Hamlin. Team players: Walker 2, Byars, Biggs, Cook, Lewis, Mathews, Schaefer and Stout.

This team has worked hard all season—their defense is strong. It is bringing the ball down the court where a team with a press gets us. I have enjoyed working with these two groups, they all have special talents.

## It's Chicken Fried Steak Month!

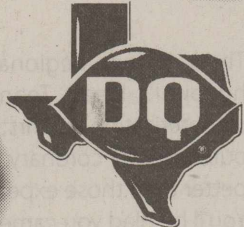
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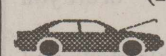
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## Event to Focus on Preparing Students for Tomorrow's Jobs

Abilene, Texas — February 6, 2003: In an effort to help equip parents and students with a plan for career and life success after high school, local education and employment experts will host *Link to a Future* on Saturday, February 15, 2003. This free event is from 9:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. in the Bill Teague Special Events Center on the campus of Abilene Christian University. The day-long event will feature nationally acclaimed author and speaker, Jason Dorsey, a 24 year-old student with a message to teens on overcoming obstacles in life and achieving their dreams. Parents and teens will be able to attend workshops on the courses to take in high school and middle school, careers of the future, paying for college, high school courses that give college credit and much more. Area schools and colleges will feature exhibits with hands-on demonstrations of career experiences. Targeted to parents, as well as students, *Link to a Future* will also provide an opportunity to explore a college campus and experience college life. Hosted by the Abilene Reporter-News Scripps-Howard Foundation, Region XIV Education Service Center, Abilene Independent School District Career & Technology Department, West

Central Texas Tech Prep Consortium, and the West Central Texas Workforce Development Board, the event is free of charge. Parents and students throughout the region are invited to attend.

In explaining the purpose for the event, Debra Vasquez, Event Chair, states: "The employment experts tell us that the state of Texas needs highly skilled workers. For the present and future economic well-being of our region, we need to make sure that Big Country students have every opportunity to be prepared for the workplace of the future." According to Ms. Vasquez, local community organizers see *Link to a Future* as a way to support efforts of the statewide campaign, "Closing the Gap by 2015," to enroll an additional 300,000 students in Texas colleges or universities by the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board. Initiated last year, *Link to a Future* is held in conjunction with the 2003 National Career and Technology Education week. For more information, contact Mike Kozelsky at the Abilene Independent School District (915-671-4045), Scot Edgington at Region XIV Education Service Center (915-675-8622), or Debra Vasquez (915-677-6856).

## Cross Plains Native Earns Academic Honor at HPU

BROWNWOOD—Cross Plains native Larry Whitehead earned academic honors for the 2002 fall semester at Howard Payne University.

Whitehead was named to the President's List. Students must earn a 4.0 grade point average to be named to the President's List.

## Tarleton Names Honor Roll, Distinguished Students in Area

STEPHENVILLE—The A Honor Roll and Distinguished Students list for the Fall 2002 semester has been released at Tarleton State University.

Dr. Gary Peer, Provost and Vice President of Academic Affairs at the University, released the names of students recognized on both the Stephenville and Killeen campuses.

Students listed on the A Honor Roll for this fall semester maintained a 4.0 grade point ratio (GPR) on the 4.0 system and were taking a minimum of 12 hours.

The Distinguished Students list includes freshmen and sophomore students with a minimum

GPR of 3.25 with no grade lower than C, and juniors and seniors with a minimum GPR of 3.50 with no grade lower than C and are in good standing.

Area students recognized are:  
**Clyde**  
 Jana Kay Prew A,D  
 Tommy Bryan Farmer D  
 Cody W. Van Zandt D  
**Cross Plains**  
 Brandi Richey A,D  
 Jodi L. Payne D  
 Robert Landon Hill D  
**Rising Star**  
 Stacey Sliger A,D  
 Tara Donham D  
 Leah Phillips D

## Sr. Citizens Sweetheart Dance at De Leon

A Senior Citizens Sweetheart Dance will be held from 7 to 10 p.m. on Friday, February 14, at De Leon City Hall, 105 South Texas. Admission is \$4.00 per person.

Stone Mountain Band will be featured. This band has performed the last three Saturdays at Cross Plains and Coleman are great!!!!

Cookies and coffee will be served. A King and Queen will be crowned with a gift for each. Come see, hear and dance to a fantastic sound. No alcohol or tobacco, please.

## Coleman Musical this Friday, Valentine's Day

The Coleman Musical will be held at 401 East College in Coleman Friday, February 14. The door open at 5 p.m. and music starts at 6 p.m. A snack bar is available.

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## Dean's List for Hardin-Simmons Told

ABILENE, TX.—Hardin-Simmons University announces that Laura Ricci of Cross Plains made the Dean's List for the fall 2002 semester.

The HSU Dean's List honors

students who completed at least 12 semester hours with a grade point average of 3.75 to 3.99.

Laura is the daughter of Ron and Connie Ricci of Cross Plains.

## Happy Birthdays!

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 Don Wayne Vaughn  
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 Warren Dwane Cunningham  
 Madeline Stone  
 Linda Shults  
 Judy Peninger  
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 Scott Ricci  
 Dorice Miller  
 Mae Preas  
 Clayton Reynolds

**FEBRUARY 18**  
 Michael Havner  
 Joe Atwood Watson  
 Sherri Neal Riney  
 Joe Anderson  
 Donnel Lutgens  
 Lamar Gregg  
 Vickie Goble Williams  
 Mrs. W.E. Thompson  
 Joe Simpson  
 Mrs. Wayne Brown  
 Edna Estell Wilson  
 Margie Wright  
 Sara Wells

**FEBRUARY 16**  
 Mrs. Donald Porter  
 Weldon Robertson  
 Chuck Letney  
 James Reynolds  
 Bill Holland  
 Buck Kelly  
 Maeola Johnson  
 Grady Scott  
 Lynn Vaught Hix  
 Mrs. A.E. Brown  
 Shiloh Morris

**FEBRUARY 19**  
 William S. Stroop  
 Sidney Newton  
 Earl Baker  
 Mrs. Lloyd Boyle  
 Mrs. George Chapman  
 Steve Furry  
 Denise Holmans

**FEBRUARY 17**  
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 N.L. Long, Jr.  
 Jancee Hutchins  
 Judy Cavanaugh  
 George Cowan  
 Norma Jean Evans  
 Don Needham  
 Mrs. J.L. King  
 Douglas Ingram  
 Billy Melton  
 Thelma Rogers  
 Greg Irwin  
 Ventura Monreal  
 Taylor Chew

**FEBRUARY 20**  
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 Gay (Vaught) Fields  
 Randy Hartman  
 Gene Rhodes  
 Lee E. Morris, Jr.  
 Deborah (Allen) Thomas  
 Stefani Brooks  
 Candi Taylor  
 Renee Atchley

**FEBRUARY 21**  
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## County Commissioners appoint Historical Commission members

Callahan County Commissioners voted to appoint members to the Callahan County Historical Commission for the 2003-2004 term during the Commissioner Court's regular monthly meeting held Monday, February 10 at the Commissioners' Courtroom at the County Courthouse in Baird.

On a motion by Commissioner Harold Hicks and second by Commissioner Charlie Grider, the Commissioners' Court appointed the County Historical Commission for 2003-2004. The Historical Commission includes:

County Attorney Allen Wright of Clyde was again elected Chairman of the Historical Commission. Vice-Chairmen included Felix and Barbara Manion of Baird. Secretary was Beverly T. Ross of Cross Plains and Lee Abernathy of Abilene was elected Director.

Members of the County Historical Commission include: Dana and Bobby Voigts of Baird, Mrs. Jess G. (Frances) Bennett of Clyde, Lynette Bowen of Baird, Mrs. James (Alleen) Briscoe of Clyde, Mrs. Bea Craig of Clyde, Hubert and Marlene Donaway of Putnam, Raynell Duncan of Cross Plains, Jud Gilliland (Emeritus) of Baird, Helen Groves of Baird, Billy Paul Harris (Emeritus) of Baird, Byron Hatchett of Abilene, Tom Ivey of Baird, and Rolan Jones of Cross Plains.

Other Historical Commission members are: Mike Konczak of

Baird, Wanda Marsh of Baird, Scotty Mitchell (Emeritus) of Baird, Susan McNeel (Emeritus) of Cross Plains, Mrs. L.H. Mosley of Clyde, Butch and Beth Petty of Putnam, Jackie Pruet of Baird, Tom Rumfield of Clyde, Mrs. Jamie Turner of Clyde, Ida Mae Waddell of Putnam, Ray and Tammy Walker of Baird, Sonia Walker of Baird, Dr. Paula Windham of Clyde, Nancy Young of Baird, Bill and Jane Coots (Emeritus) of Clyde, Rose Farmer (Emeritus) of Clyde, and Clara Nell Spencer (Emeritus) of Cross Plains.

Judy Luter of Cross Plains was elected a Director. Other members elected include: Butch and Dwalah Nelson of Abilene, John and Angela Estes of Abilene, Mike and Lyn Walker of Baird, Roger and Barbara Corn of Baird, Bruce and Elizabeth Townsley of Clyde, Rob Black of Abilene, Lowell and Eb Maxey of Abilene, Frank and Marsha Murray of Abilene, Janet Swanson of Dallas, Marjorie Middleton of Abilene, Joey Walker and Matthew Walker of Baird, Steve Kniffen of Clyde, Jesse and Olivia Wood of Tucson, Arizona, Sue Blair, of Clyde, Anita Mays of Baird, Bryan Bennett of Cross Plains, Jan Loper of Abilene, and Ginny Greene of Clyde.

Also members named were: Wallace Bennett of Cross Plains, Wanda Hammel of Cross Plains, Gina Menke of Abilene, and Robert and Yvonne Peevy of Cross Plains.

## Red Hat Society Ladies Congregate at Jean's Feed Barn in C.P.

By: Exhausted Queen Mother, Barbara Powell

Thursday night, those Crazy Red Hat Society Ladies, invaded Jean's Feed Barn all decked out with their red hats and purple outfits. Eight ladies attended: Exhausted Queen Mother, Barbara Powell (It's no wonder she's exhausted, she was whoop'in it up the entire time.) Wanda Edward, First Vice Mother tried to play the role of a sophisticate but it will never happen Jack. That lady is a true down home variety that loved that foot stomping music. Barbara Black, Anti-Parliamentarian, lovely in her gorgeous red hat, didn't know I was looking, but I saw her. She couldn't sit still. Virginia Callaway, no stranger to 'Musicals' get in the groove right away.

Kathy Anderson, our Hysterian, was beaming the entire evening. Her talented daughter, sixteen year old Daley Anderson, put on a show with her fantastic fiddle playing. That young lady is going

places, and I don't mean to Abilene. We will all be hearing about her, she has a great future.

Joan Murdock, Telephony Lady, wouldn't miss the evening even though she was sicker than a hound dog. I'll correct that, She showed up, looking fantastic, when she started turning green and green didn't match her outfit, she gracefully excused herself.

Gladys Jackson and Bernece Hubbard, our newest members attended. They fit right in. No one had to show them how to tap their toes and clap their hands. Bernece whispered in my ear, that when she was younger she used to whoop-it-up. I could tell by the gleam in her eye, that she had heard a lot of foot stomp'n music before. Gladys is always ready for a good time and she sure had it Thursday night.

All the musicians were great. I don't know you guys and the lady by name, but a "Big Thanks, to all of you for the good entertainment!"

## Ranger College Honor Students

Ranger College would like to announce that Kristi McGinn of Rising Star was named to the President's List. She had a GPA of 4.00.

Kristi J. Hernandez of Rising Star was named to the Dean's List with a 3.00 to 3.99 GPA.

## Local Art Club to Meet Thursday, February 20

The Cross Plains Paint and Palette Club will meet at the Multi-Purpose Center to welcome Patsy Newhouse, accomplished artist from Comanche Art Association. She will demonstrate a landscape in oil media. Ms. Newhouse is well known as an interesting and entertaining artist.

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

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