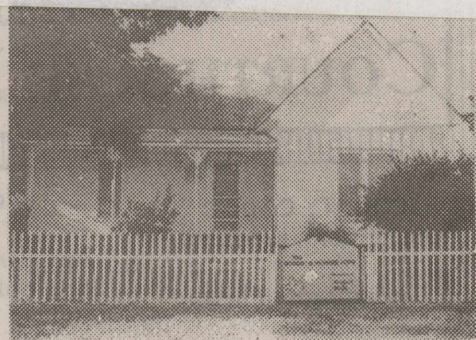


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DOWN HOME

"Where Do You Want to Go?"

By Vanda Anderson Creech
Editor

The threat of war in the Middle East will probably be determined by the time you read this column, as President Bush has limited the number of hours for the Taliban to respond.

I don't know how this has affected your life, but I am not experiencing fear. I am assuming this is what faith is all about. All we can do at this point is pray for our President and his decisions; for the leaders of all the branches of the service; and for every man and woman who have dedicated their lives to serving in the military.

I do not have a child in the military who could be in harms way, but a friend of mine has a son stationed at Kuwait and naturally his concern is great. I have heard of many others who have made the military their career and they have already been deployed to various stations. Tension is at an all time high for all those directly involved.

It was refreshing to hear a Captain speak on television about his men praying together and that they were clinging to their faith. He also expressed their appreciation to everyone for their prayers. The program was about the spiritual preparation the soldiers were making.

I think it is time for us to all think about our spiritual preparation. This is not a dooms day declaration, for NO ONE knows the hour; we never know what tomorrow brings. It is only wise to be ready for whatever the day has in store.

As for me, I developed a strong desire to go to Heaven 29 years ago, following a miscarriage. Some very bad choices led up to this disaster and for a while I thought it was God's punishment.

Then I realized that my decisions caused the loss, but I learned some invaluable lessons from the experience. Since that time, I know that this child resides with the Lord and I want to be united with it. You shouldn't have to have a specific reason to desire a heavenly residence.

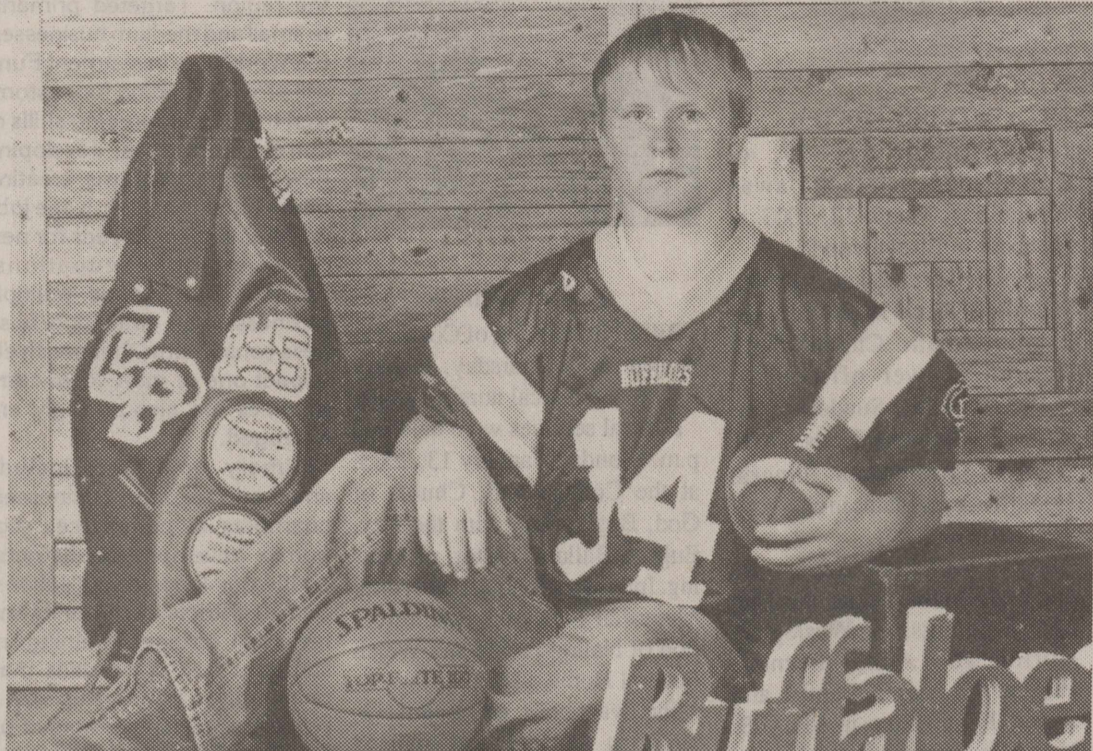
During these trying times if you have faith, you have something to hold on to and depend upon—it will carry you through!

Have you thought about the condition of your soul? Perhaps now is the time to do so.

School Board City Council Race Update

As of Tuesday, March 18, two more candidates announced for the school board trustee election, incumbent Donnie Dillard and Michael Smith. Incumbent Tony Wyatt, Reggie Pillans and Larry Thomas have already announced. The 3-year terms of Dillard and Wyatt are expiring.

Three more have filed applications in the city council election, incumbent Joe Ingram, Gene Dillard and Marvin Mosley. Incumbents James Nichols and Edwin Weiss have already announced. The 2-year terms of Ingram, Nichols and Weiss are expiring.



NAMED TO 2003 ALL-STAR FOOTBALL GAME—Dusty Purvis

Local Athlete Named to 2003 All-Star Football Roster

ABILENE—Dusty Purvis of Cross Plains High School has been chosen to play in the annual, newly re-named, Fellowship of Christian Athletes Myrtle Greathouse All-Star Football Classic, to be held Saturday, June 7, in Abilene's Shotwell Stadium. He is the son of Rick and Delynn Purvis.

Dusty was one of 87 area athletes selected for the fourth annual game, that benefits the Big Country/Concho Valley Chapter of the Fellowship of Christian Athletes. Representing 51 area schools the roster for the North and South squads were announced at a press conference Sunday, March 2nd, at Wylie High School in Abilene.

About 150 players were nominated by their head coaches for the game, which features schools from an approximate 100-mile radius of Abilene, covering 33

counties. A selection committee made up of the 20 All-Star Coaches chose the teams.

Head Coach for the North team will be David Flowers/Merkel H.S. and his assistants, Keith Mullins also from Merkel H.S., Chad Rogers and Roger White/Snyder H.S., Darryl Cash/Anson H.S., Steve Gunter/Hawley H.S., Brent West and Keith Mullins/Cisco H.S., Dave Oldham/Rotan H.S. and Danny Davis/Throckmorton H.S.

The South team will be led by Head Coach Bo Robinson/Bangs H.S. and his assistants, Wendell Robinson, Bobby Anderson and Gary Garvin, all from Bangs H.S., Dave DuBose/Grandview H.S., Joel Hood/Rising Star H.S., Joey McQueen and Billy Hill/San Angelo Lakeview, Todd Bandy/Brady H.S. and Malcom Moerbe/Comanche H.S. Players from Class 5A through

Class A, in addition to one player from Abilene Christian High School (a private six-man program) make up the team. By classification, the two 40+man squads break down like this 7 from 5A, 14 from 4A, 18 from 3A, 30 from 2A, 17 from 1A and 1 6-man player. Eighteen additional players were selected as alternates and will participate if a roster spot becomes available due to injury or other circumstances.

Teams will report for two-a-day workouts on Tuesday, June 3. A Sharing the Victory Banquet honoring the players and local FCA huddle members will be held Friday night, June 6.

The game will be televised and shown by KTAB-TV of Abilene. A live radio broadcast will be produced in Abilene by Cumulus Broadcast and KWKC 1340 AM and will be heard throughout the area.



GARDEN CLUB CELEBRATES ARBOR DAY—Garnett McKay (right) and her husband, Jim (not available for the photo) donated a Spanish oak tree to the Cross Plains Garden Club that they presented to the City of Cross Plains to plant in the park beside the Community Center. Pictured are Betty Beggs (from left), Eva Fleming, Arbor Day Chairman, and Herman Weaver, who uprooted the tree from the McKoys' place and replanted it. The tree will be an asset to the park through its shade and beauty.

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Trade Day Saturday in Cross Plains

The Cross Plains Garden Club is sponsoring Trade Day Saturday, March 22. Robert Powell is the chairman of the sale and Barbara Powell is the club's president.

The sale will be held north of the Dairy Queen on the Texas Heritage Bank lot. There will be booths selling plants, collector items, Watkin products, Tupperware products and crafts for the home and garden.

Booth lots are still available. The lots are 12' X 12' and will cost \$15.00. Everyone will furnish their own tables, chairs, tents, etc. The Trade Day will open at 7:30 a.m. Saturday morning.

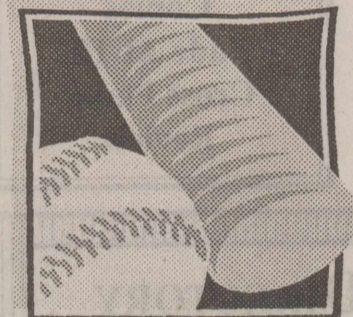
The Garden Club utilizes the

\$15.00 fee to cover costs of advertising and to support their public projects.

On April 26th the Garden Club and the Cross Plains Paint and Palette Club will have a Flower Show and Art Show at the Senior Citizens' Center on Main Street. Everyone is invited and encouraged to enter these competitions.

The Garden Club members are dedicated to educating the public concerning plants, gardening, landscaping and designing. Come join their organization, as they welcome new members.

They invite everyone to come out Saturday!



BATTER UP!!!!!!! Little League Registration

It is time to get started, Baseball Season is right around the corner. A meeting of the Cross Plains Little League will be held at 7 p.m. at the Dairy Queen on Monday, March 24.

Anyone with children who will be participating in the summer baseball and softball programs is encouraged to attend.

This meeting is to identify individuals who are interested in coaching a team and to organize this year's events. "It is very im-

portant that we get as many people involved as possible. I would like to thank you in advance for your support of our local youth in Cross Plains," remarked Marty Callaway, President.

For additional information call Marty Callaway at (254) 624-5563.

An application to participate in the baseball program can be found on Page 4 of the newspaper.

Cottonwood Musical This Friday Night, March 21st, See You There!

The Cottonwood Musical will be presented by the Cottonwood Quilting Club Friday, March 21, at the Cottonwood Community Center.

You don't want to miss out on Ethel's Chicken and Dumplings for only \$3.00. They will also be serving sandwiches, pies, cake and popular cold drinks. Serving begins at 5:30 p.m.

Proceeds from the food will go toward the upkeep of the Cottonwood Community Center. Musical entertainment begins at 6 p.m. and there is no charge for admission. The emcee for the evening will be Mary E. Weaver.

The Cottonwood Quilting Club appreciates your support. Take a drive to the country and have a great evening of fellowship, fun and music.

Pre-K/Kindergarten Registration Told

Parents are asked to register their children who will enter Pre-Kindergarten next fall. Cross Plains Elementary offers Pre-Kindergarten to all children who will be four years of age on or before September 1, 2003. Also, students who will be five years of age on or before September 1, 2003 are eligible for Kindergarten.

Kindergarten is a full day program. Kindergarten is a basic part of the Cross Plains School system and the service is available to all students. If your child is currently enrolled in Pre-K at Cross Plains Elementary, you will not have to go through the screening process. If your child had not been enrolled in Pre-K, and will be attending Kindergarten in the fall, please register for screening.

Pre-K and Kindergarten screening will be conducted Thursday, April 3, at Cross Plains Elementary School. Please call the Elementary Principal's office at (254) 725-6123 to make an appointment for your child. The screening will take about sixty minutes. Each student's hearing, vision, speech, motor skills, language ability and developmental growth will be evaluated at this time. Parents will be given a report on their children's progress at the time of the screening. Parents are reminded that to enter school in Texas the student

must have a state approved birth certificate and a current immunization record.

Immunization Requirements: Hepatitis B-3 doses by age 4 DTaP-4 doses with 1 on or after 4th birthday Haemophilus Influenza Type B-1 dose on/after 15 months unless a series is completed @ 12 months Polio- 3+doses with 1 on or after 4th birthday

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COURTHOUSE NEWS

COUNTY COURT Roger Corn, presiding

Misdemeanor Filings

Michael W. Hardin, hunting from public road.

Misdemeanor Minutes

Edward Aloysius Mahan III, motion and affidavit of surety for warrant granted.

Thomas Berten Jessen, motion and affidavit of surety for warrant granted.

Michael Hardin, plea of guilty to hunting from public road, 1 year probation, \$500 fine, \$263 court costs.

Michael Hardin, transfer request from Callahan Co. to Johnson Co. granted.

End of term order discharging defendants under misdemeanor probation; Scott Carroll.

End of term order discharging defendants under deferred adjudication: Michael Branton, Shonna Brunson, Morris Chavez, Delores Gartman, Sue Valentine.

Brad Robb, plea of guilty to theft by check, \$50 fine, court costs and restitution paid.

Marriage Licenses

Kenneth Ray Bodine and Sandra Dell Scaramuzzo, both of Clyde.

42nd DISTRICT COURT John Weeks, presiding

Civil Filings

Dena J. Hines and Curtis L. Hines, divorce.

Georganna Lee Coe and Donnie Eugene Coe, divorce. The State of Texas vs. 1998 Ford Ranger pickup, VIN # 1FTYR10U7WUA63910, notice of seizure and intended forfeiture.

Civil Minutes

Ann Carol Sims and Samuel Christopher Sims, divorce granted.

Tammy Norway and Rick Anthony Norway, divorce granted.

Vickey Jo Hart and Wayne Brett Hart, divorce granted.

Criminal Indictments

Victor O. Salas, possession of marijuana.

Molly B. Appleby, aggravated assault.

Jody L. Crafton, credit card abuse.

Zachary A. Patterson, criminal mischief.

Scotty E. Wright, Ct. I - criminal mischief, Ct. II - unauthorized use of a vehicle.

Adella G. Cardenas, driving while intoxicated.

Ronnie C. Seals, burglary of a building.

Joe W. Havner, driving while intoxicated (DWI).

Rebecca B. Timms, DWI.

Kimberley F. Speight, possession of a controlled substance with intent to manufacture.

Criminal Minutes

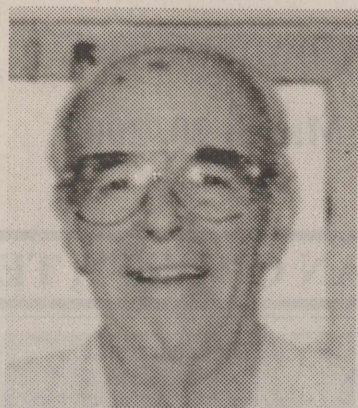
Sabrina G. Maddox, judgment revoking probation granted.

Michael W. Salazar, plea of guilty to possession of anhydrous ammonia in an unapproved container, 5 year probation, \$1500 fine, \$236 court costs.

Kenneth L. Jones, plea of guilty to DWI, 5 year probation, \$500 fine, \$241 court costs.

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OBITUARIES



Arnold Horton

Mr. Arnold, age 77, of Brownwood, passed away Wednesday, March 12, 2003, at his home in Brownwood.

Services were held at 2:00 p.m. Saturday, March 15, 2003, at the Higginbotham Chapel with Dwaine Clower officiating. Burial was in the Sundown Crematoriums in Mineral Wells, Texas with Higginbotham Funeral Home of Cross Plains in charge of arrangements.

Arnold was born August 10, 1925 in Canton, Texas, the 11th of 13 siblings, of Wesley C. Horton and Annie Bernard Horton. He was a Baptist and served his country in the U.S. Navy. He retired as a meat cutter after 41 years and moved to Cross Plains and lived with his sister, Eunice Pointer. He was helpful on the farm and the siblings enjoyed being together. Arnold was a regular at the Cross Plains Senior Citizens' Center playing dominos, Skip Bo, etc. He was "Lion Arnold" after becoming a member of the Lake Brownwood Lion's Club. He also helped prepare hundreds of meals at the Baptist Encampment at Lake Brownwood. The kids called him "Mr. Arnold" and he said this job was so much fun. Our dear friend has left us for now, but will wait for us to join him in the heavens some day soon.

Survivors include his daughter, Paula Schumacher of Corpus Christi; a son, John Paul Horton; a sister, Eunice Pointer of Cross Plains; two brothers, Albert Horton and Wesley Horton, both of Ft. Worth; nephew, Johnny Horton of Ft. Worth; and Kandy Jones of Cross Plains.

Douglas P. McCorkle, Sr.

Douglas Presley McCorkle, Sr., 80, of Stamford, passed away Friday, March 14, 2003, in a local hospital.

Services were held at 10:00 a.m. Tuesday, March 18, 2003, at Trinity Baptist Church with the Rev. Robert Wingrove officiating. Burial was in Highland Memorial Cemetery under the direction of Kinney-Underwood Funeral Home in Stamford.

Doug was born December 24, 1922 in Lueders, the son of the late Robert Eli and Earin Conger McCorkle. He was a veteran of the U.S. Army, serving in World War II from 1942 to 1946. He received the Asiatic Pacific Campaign Medal, Bronze Star and Good Conduct Medal. He married Illa Madeene Bagwell January 23, 1946 in Anson. He later married Delores Holly on May 13, 1984 in Stamford. Mr. McCorkle was a lifetime member of VFW Post 2012 in Abilene and was a member of the Trinity Baptist Church in Stamford.

He was preceded in death by his parents and one son, Douglas Presley "Dusty" McCorkle, Jr., during the Vietnam War.

Survivors include his wife, Delores "Dee" McCorkle of Stamford; one daughter, Cheryl McCorkle of Edna; three sons, Robert and Linda McCorkle of Comfort, Weldon and Paula McCorkle of Yukon, Oklahoma, and Russell and Kathy McCorkle of Merkel; two step-daughters, Linda and Jimmy Griffith of Colorado City, Debra and Russell Hull of Big Spring; one step-son, Gary and Murvina Underwood of Columbus, Georgia; two brothers, Johnny McCorkle of Abilene and Jimmy McCorkle of Stamford; 16 grandchildren; 18 great-grandchildren; several nieces and nephews; two aunts, Daisy Holcomb of Cross Plains and Ima Jean Brooker of Abilene.



Billie Nichols

Billie Nichols, 83, of Coahoma, passed away Thursday, January 9, 2003, in a local nursing home.

Funeral services were held at 2 p.m. Monday, January 13, 2003, at the College Park Church of God, Big Spring, with the Rev. Eugene Ballard, pastor, officiating. Interment followed at Trinity Memorial Park under the direction of Nalley-Pickle and Welch Funeral Home of Big Spring.

She was born on August 2, 1919, in Sabanna and married LeRoy Nichols on July 26, 1952 in Abilene.

Billie came to Coahoma in September 1965 from Snyder. She and her husband owned and operated West Texas Tool Company of Coahoma from 1965 to 1986. She was a retired LVN. Billie was a loving wife, mother and grandmother and was a full time Christian.

She was a member of College Park Church of God where she served as church clerk for 20 years, retiring in July 1986. She also taught Sunday School and worked in Ladies Ministry.

Survivors include her husband, LeRoy Nichols of Coahoma; three daughters and one son-in-law, Ginny Byrd of Lubbock, Janeece Greco of Brooklyn, New York and Penny and Jimmy Binion of Coahoma; five grandchildren, David Green and Donna Koone, both of Snyder, Denise Jorgensen of Lubbock, B.J. Greco of Austin and Stephen Binion of Coahoma; and seven great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Joe and Lula Mae Havner, and a sister, Ileta Jones, all of Cross Plains.

Fred W. Stacy

Mr. Fred W. Stacy, 69, of Abilene, passed away Saturday, March 15, 2003, in Huntsville Memorial Hospital in Huntsville, Texas.

Graveside services were held at 11:00 a.m. Tuesday, March 18, 2003, at the Dressy Cemetery directed by Higginbotham Funeral Home of Cross Plains.

Fred was born January 4, 1934 in Cross Plains, the son of Wilber John Stacy and Florrie M. Foster Stacy. He married Rebecca Ashworth in Abilene, Texas on November 5, 1954.

Survivors include his wife, Beckie Stacy of Abilene; a daughter, Tina Stacy of Abilene; two sons, Mike Stacy of Abilene and Steve Stacy of Huntsville; a brother, Wayne Stacy, of Lake Coleman; two granddaughters, Amy Velez and Jennifer Shipley, four grandsons, Jason Shipley, John Stacy, Steve Stacy, Jr., Austin Stacy; and two great-grandsons.

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Earlier this year, the West Central Texas Workforce Development Board created a new assistance program for businesses in the region. Targeted primarily to small and medium businesses, the Workforce Investment Fund will provide funding for customized training, upgrading skills of current employees, developing new training programs, creating new high-skill or high-wage jobs or retraining employees for new or emerging occupations. Projects that include multiple businesses or education/business consortiums that positively impact one or more local communities are also strongly encouraged.

Primary applicants include small and medium businesses, chambers of commerce, economic development districts/entities or labor organizations. School districts, community and technical colleges, training institutions and universities may only apply in partnership with a primary applicant. Grants of up to \$50,000 will be awarded through a competitive application process. Applicants must provide a cash match equal to at least 25% of the total project cost. An 11-member Review Panel will evaluate applications.

Judge Tim Farnbrough, Nolan County Judge, chairs the panel, which consists of representatives from economic development, education, organized labor, business development and business owners from across the region. Applications may be submitted at any time, however, funds will be awarded quarterly. Judge Farnbrough stated, "I am pleased to be part of this exciting new opportunity to provide assistance to small businesses

in our region. This will really benefit our economy by creating new jobs and retraining current workers so they can retain their jobs."

The first round of application deadline for this year is March 31, 2003. Interested individuals can obtain information and a copy of the application at the West Central Texas Workforce Center website, <http://www.workforce.system.org/business.htm>. Questions regarding the application or the Workforce Investment Fund may be directed to the Workforce Center Business Services Unit at 915-795-4200, toll-free at 1-800-457-5633, TDD at 915-795-4213 or Robert Puls, Business Services Coordinator at 915-795-4330.

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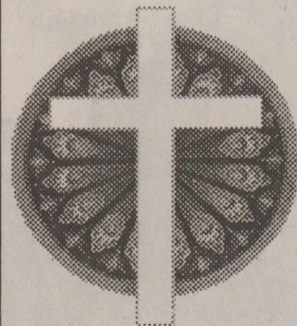


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PIONEER NEWS

The quilting ladies had another very good and productive day. We did get the "Flower Garden" belonging to Kathy Anderson out. Oh! It is so pretty! Hopefully Kathy will put it in a quilt show one of these days and all can see it. Lou did get her quilt top in. It is red and white. I have forgotten the name of the pattern, so will let you know next week what it is. Jean A's "Dutch Doll" will be out of the frame this week. Just in time to put in another, ha. Cody's "Log Cabin" is in the frame. Everyone is always invited to come out and see our quilts on any Tuesday.

We do have a pretty new "powder room" at the community center. We are so proud of it. We do appreciate the work Walter Thomason and his workers did fixing it for us.

There will be domino playing at the community center this Thursday evening, March 20th. Come out and join the fun. Friday, Jean Fore and Frankie Smith went to the Putnam musical with Freddie and Maudine Bount. A good time was had by all. Saturday, Jean and Frankie attended the Cisco Musical. Sunday, they attended a birthday party at the Pioneer Baptist Church. Mrs. Mazie Smoot was honored on her 89th birthday. Happy Birthday, Mazie!!

Jim Chesshir came to the Chesshir farm last weekend. He had not been down in four weeks. He plowed the garden several times and planted potatoes and spinach. We decided the soil was too loose to put out onions. He always does several chores for his mother. Charlene had a sad week as she had to have her little dog put to sleep. The other dog, Hank, misses her, too. Doug Dallas came today and did pruning on Charlene's holly and photina bushes. What would she do with-

out her children!!

Glenda Phillips had supper Saturday and dinner Sunday with Allen, Janice, and family. She always enjoys it. Krista and Emily Harris stopped at Glenda's one evening and went out to their playhouse by the shop. Logan stays with Glenda nearly every Friday. She really gets educated keeping him. He sure says what he thinks. He asked Glenda one day, "Grandma, why are you so fat?" She told him she ate too much. Later he wanted a popcicle and when Glenda gave it to him, he told her he decided he didn't want it because he didn't want to get fat. Never know what he is going to say!

Mr. and Mrs. Demis Domingues, Anthony and Sophia from Houston spent the weekend with Lessie Fae Baum. Other guests during the week were Bob Braly, Eunice Pointer, Kathy Jones and Jon.

Laverne and Cowan Hutton have a new great-grandson, born February 26. He weighed 7 pounds 14 ounces. He has black hair and is named Garret Paul Hutton. The proud parents are Robert and Terry Hutton, and Garret has a proud brother, Gavin. The grandparents are Trisha and Danny Hutton.

Glenda Phillips and Laverne Hutton went with 14 other members of the Rising Star Church of Christ Ladies Bible Class Wednesday at noon to DeLeon and ate together at the Blue Moon Cafe. The Cafe is in the old Higginbotham building. The decor theme is of "yesterday".

Laverne has been working on her "Southern Lady" quilt blocks.

WORDS OF WISDOM: Blessed is the man who finds wisdom, the man who gains understanding. Proverbs 3:13.

RIISING STAR NURSING CENTER

Welcome back to resident Darrell Madison. Mr. Madison was in the hospital and we are glad he was able to return home.

Welcome also to Mrs. Lou Watkins, a new resident. We are pleased you chose our home.

On Monday we celebrated St. Patrick's Day with a party. We served a pickle and cheese platter (green and gold) and cupcakes. All the residents wore green derby hats that we had made during crafts. It was a lot of fun!

A big heartfelt "thank you" to Mrs. Peggy Stallings of Fort Worth, the daughter of Bulah Ferguson. She is always so generous and thoughtful having donated four huge boxes of cupcakes, two big apple pies, two boxes of brownies and enough paper goods to last us a good 6 months!

Also, I would like to thank the *Cross Plains Review* for always making sure my article is put in the paper. I appreciate that. Thanks Vanda!

BREAKTHRU

By Bob Pipes
Cross Plains Church of Christ
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With report cards about ready to come out in Cheyenne, Wyoming, teachers were given a list of tactful ways to tell parents that their children were liars, cheats, loudmouths and clods, bullies, lazy, selfish, dirty and babyish— with instructions to use more tactful words and descriptions. Instead of telling parents a child was a bully, for instance, the teacher was advised to say he "had qualities of leadership but needed help in learning how to use them more democratically." And a student who lied only had "difficulty in distinguishing between the imaginary and the factual." A noisy student "needed to develop quieter habits of communication" — I mean, we're talking about the loudmouth! Well, you can imagine the more diplomatic description of the other "traits" but another that really illustrates the absurdity in at least some instances is this one: the student who associated with gangs "seemed to feel secure only in group situations and needed to develop a sense of independence!"

Now I appreciate tact. I believe there's a place for diplomacy. I even see the benefit of using some of these descriptions instead of "telling it like it is." But some of it reminds me of a question posed by an author/psychologist in asking, "Whatever happened to sin?!" Nowadays, it's called everything but what it is. Can't you imagine how the Galilean would have had to change the command to "Repent or perish," Luke 13:3, or how Stephen would have had to rephrase "You stiffnecked and uncircumcised in heart and ears...?" (Acts 7:51). Of course they were both martyred — but look at the influence they each had on the lives of others for good, and the lives that were changed. Let's not let tact and diplomacy whitewash sin and truth. In saving face we may lose souls...

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COTTONWOOD NEWS

By WALLACE BENNETT

SPRING FEVER BREAKING OUT IN COTTONWOOD

Fruit trees are in bloom, grass is turning green, bees are humming and kids are stirring around looking for something to get into. You can catch the Cottonwood spring fever this week by making the Cottonwood Volunteer Fire Control meeting this Thursday evening and listening to some good music at the Cottonwood Musical on Friday evening.

The Volunteer Firemen will meet at the Fire Station at 7:00 p.m. and the Cottonwood Quilting Club will serve Chicken and Dumplings for the Cottonwood Musical. Eating will begin at 5:30 p.m. and music at 6:00 p.m.

OLD BOOKS AND CHILDHOOD SECRETS: TREASURES TO KEEP NOT THROW AWAY

I like old books and have a lot of them. Most of them are down a the barn in boxes and in stacks and smell musty. When we stop at an antique store, Carol looks at everything else, but I head for the book shelves. I don't bother with the newer looking books, all shiny and bright. I look for books that are torn and mutilated, battered and abused; what's usually left of some of 'em are downright fragile; many have missing parts, such as the back or front cover or the back spine cover. But, when you can't read the title or the author's name, it makes you look inside, and that is the key to treasure hunting in old books.

One such book is lying on my desk, has been for a year or two. It is usually covered up with the more recent messagings of paperwork not yet filed in its proper place.

This little paper-back, or what's left of it, is brown and brittle from age and may not last much longer. But, I pick it up from time to time, flip to a random page and often find a treasure. It or what's left of it, is an edition of a book of poetry edited by Louis Untermeyer entitled, "The Concise Treasury of Great Poems." It is one of a collection of "PERMABOOKS" printed by Doubleday & Company, in what year, I have no idea.

The portion I have begins on page 407 which contains the last one and a half verses of Rudyard

Kipling's poem "On the Road to Mandalay." Just listen to this treasure:

"For the temple-bells are callin'. an' it's there I'd rather be"

By the old Maulmein Pagoda, lookin' lazy at the sea -

On the Road to Mandalay, Where the old Flotilla lay,

With our sick beneath the awnings when we went to Mandalay!

Oh, the road to Mandalay, Where the flying fishes play,

An' the dawn comes up like thunder outer China 'cros't the Bay!

Rudyard Kipling is my favorite author of all time. As Alec Burton would say, he could turn "a neat phrase," and I say, and with it "paint a complete picture" to bring back memories never to be forgotten.

I remember just what it is like to be on the "Road to Mandalay:" how the flying fishes play, what it feels like, looks like, smells like, and how the dawn sounds when it comes up like thunder "outer China 'cros't the Bay." (Some others of you out there in reader-land that I know can stand and shout "amen" to that memory treasure.)

The rest of the little "PERMBOOK" contains a collection of poems by various other authors, some I have never heard of, but, with each selection is a short critical biographical sketch of the author.

It's a neat little book and contains a lot of neat phrases and I hope I never lose track of it or quit reading in it.

I have another book. It comes out of the library of my Great-Aunt Francis Coats Kelly Gililand. This little "SPELLER" has the signature, "Francis Coats" written twice in pencil on the frontispiece. On the next page is penciled a little ditty of a treasure. It reads:

"Long may you live,
And happy may you die,
Sitting on the wood-pile
Eating possum pie!"
S/your true friend
Sallie Walker

Now here's the secret! On the inside back cover is written upside down in pencil, "Look on page 82!" Who could refuse? Page 82 reads; "I love Francis."

LIBRARY NOTES

March 10-13 Statistics

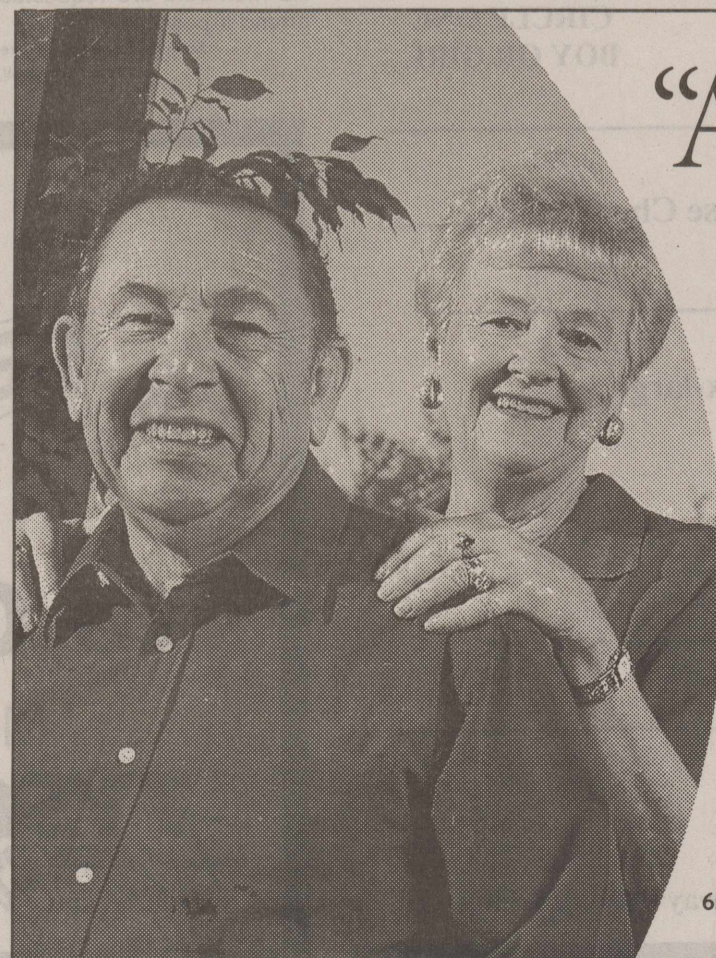
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Lap	40
Interlibrary Loan	1
Total	109

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QUIPS, CLIPS & COMMENTS

By KAY MOSLEY

Note: Remember the Cross Plains Garden Club Trade Day, coming up next Saturday, March 22. Sales will begin at 8 a.m. on the Texas Heritage Bank lot behind Dairy Queen. Come one, come all. We look forward to seeing you there. Here is a great big hint for gardeners to rid your garden of slugs: wash and break egg shells and place around any area that is under attack; the shells are too rough for slugs to travel over, keeping them at bay.

"There's No Place Like It"

HOME, nothing can beat the feeling you experience the first time you go home; after going away to college, getting married and leaving, or beginning a new job in an unfamiliar city.

To be back home gives you a lovely sense of security that I can only describe as like being wrapped in a soft, fluffy blanket. A-a-n-n-d...you feel a sense of peace. It is so comforting.

For each of us, I am fairly certain, different things remind us of home. After I moved away to

Dallas to attend business college, went to visit relatives in other cities (as a child), got married; and moved to Abilene, Lubbock (twice) and then New Mexico, I almost always would get homesick along about supper time. This melancholy feeling would come over me, especially as we traveled down the highways as dusk gathered, we could see the lights come on in homes along the countryside. In my mind's eye, I could just see everyone gathering around the supper table, and I'm not there. That would just get me. I'd just feel so homesick that I would get teary eyed.

Two things always remind me of home—one is the smell of bread baking in the oven and the smell of new mown hay. I'm especially fond of P-Nut hay.

We lived in Cross Plains from the time I was about 4 years old until I was around 10 or 11. I never forgot Cross Plains and many of the Cross Plains people. So, when my husband and I moved here in 1992 I felt that I was—coming home and it feels so good!

SENIOR CITIZENS MENU

March 24 - March 28

MONDAY--Ham, Cabbage, Yam Patty, Onions, Carrot Cake, Cornbread, Milk	THURSDAY--Chicken & Dumplings, Peas & Carrots, Waldorf Salad, Strawberry Gelatin, Cookie, Bread, Milk
TUESDAY--Chili w/beans, Onions, Pears w/cottage cheese, Birthday Cake, Cornbread, Milk	FRIDAY--Taco Bowl, Salad, Mexican Corn, Pinto Beans, Bread Pudding w/lemon sauce, Bread, Milk
WEDNESDAY-- Chicken Spaghetti, Tossed Salad, Brussel Sprouts, Apricots, Garlic Bread, Milk	

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C.P. STUDENT REVIEW

Buffalo Baseball

The Buffalo Baseball Team has played 6 games and are currently 0-6 and 0-1 in District. The following boys are playing this year:

Seniors - Cole Koenig, Kevin Scott, Colby Barton, Dusty Purvis and Brandon Jones

Juniors- Casey Pack, Tristen Jones, Andy Bennett, Russell Allen, Marcus Williams, Dusty Dickson and Jeff Champion

Sophomores- Mitch Byrd, Dusty Cooper, Michael Allen, Thomas Stephenson and Aaron Isbell

Freshmen- Roy Smith, Clayton Thomas, Chance Watkins, Ricky Gibson, Garrett Stephens and Aaron Phillips.

The Buffaloes opened their season by playing a double-header

against Tolar and losing the games 7-1 and 5-2.

Their next action was in the Ranger Tournament. In their first game they played Windthrost and lost 9-6; the second game they lost 5-3 and their final game they lost to Santo 8-7 in the final inning.

The Buffs opened district last week and lost to Albany 12-2. The Buffs next action is here Tuesday against Comanche J.V. Then they will travel to Baird on Thursday and finish with a double-header against Santo Friday here at Cross Plains starting at 4:30 p.m. Monday the Buffs play Ranger at Cross Plains.

Submitted by
Coach Mitchell Atchley

SCHOOL BOARD MINUTES

March 3, 2003

The Cross Plains I.S.D. Board of Trustees met in a called meeting with the following members present: Susan Schaefer, Donnie Dillard, Bryan Bennett, Jim Cook, Monty Richards and Tony Wyatt.

Guest, Larry Thomas, was also present. Prayer was led by Bryan Bennett.

Executive session began at 7:30 p.m. was concluded at 9:00 p.m. Resumes were reviewed for Athletic Director/Football Coach.

Motion was made by Wyatt and seconded by Richards that they adjourn. For 6 Against 0

A called meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Cross Plains I.S.D. was held on March 18, beginning at 6 p.m. in the high school administrative board room to interview candidates for Athletic Director.

This notice was posted in compliance with the Open Meeting Act on March 14, 2003, at 10 a.m. by Jackie Tension for the Board of Trustees.

SCHOOL BOARD MEETING

A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Cross Plains I.S.D. will be held on Monday, March 24, beginning at 7 p.m. in the high school administrative board room. The subjects to be discussed or considered or upon which any formal action may be taken are as follows:

- Minutes
- Open Forum
- Discuss/Take action on Technology Plan/Share information on PS10 Grant
- Adoption of Textbooks
- Executive Session
- Action to Follow Executive Session (if needed)
- Personnel
 - Accept resignations
 - Consider approval of teacher contracts 2003/04
- Review Financial Report/ Pay Bills
- Adjourn.

This notice was posted in compliance with the Open Meetings Act on March 14, 2003, at 10:10 a.m.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Tuesday, March 25
Spring Pictures
Wednesday, March 26
High School Personalities

SCHOOL MENU

MARCH 24 - MARCH 28

BBREAKFAST

MONDAY--Blueberry Muffin, Assorted Juice
TUESDAY-- French Toast, Sausage, Assorted Juice
WEDNESDAY-- Toaster Pastry, Yogurt, Assorted Juice
THURSDAY--Cereal, Toast Assorted Juice
FRIDAY-- Donuts, Assorted Juice

LUNCH

MONDAY--Corn Dogs, Baked Beans, Pickle Spears, Pears
TUESDAY-- Chicken Nuggets w/ gravy, Mashed Potatoes, Green Beans, Rolls, Honey
WEDNESDAY--Chalupa's, Salad, Corn, Pudding
THURSDAY--Lasagna, Broccoli, Garlic Sticks, Fresh Fruit
FRIDAY-- Hamburger, Lettuce, Tomato, Pickles, Fries, Cookie

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CROSS PLAINS GARDEN CLUB

BY Joyce Odom

The Cross Plains Garden Club met for their regular monthly session on March 14, at 2 p.m. at the Multi-Purpose Center. The topic was "Gardens For All Seasons".

Barbara Powell, president, opened the meeting by greeting the guests and leading the recitation of the Club Collect.

Mary Ella Weaver, program chairman, introduced the program "Floral Design" that was presented by Sheri Dunaway of Santa Anna, who is a dual garden club member of Coleman and Fort Worth Garden Clubs respectively. She is also a photographer, artist, and most recently earned her Master Gardener Degree.

Dunaway gave a talk on color and design and then showed a number of designs that were exhibited at the Fort Worth Flower Show. All in all, it was a most interesting and informative program. Her husband, Bill, accompanied her.

Roll call was answered with "Show and Tell". Bob Powell read the minutes of the previous meeting.

A letter from the Cross Plains Library was read in appreciation for the book the club donated.

Also a card from Helen Roach was read pertaining to the District VIII meeting. Julene Franke announced that Cross Plains Garden Club will tentatively be hosting the November District VIII meeting.

Eva Fleming, flower show chairman, announced sign up sheets for the upcoming Flower Show to be staged April 26.

Wanda Martin donated the club quilt blocks to be set together for a quilt. They were beautiful birds representing each state, hand embroidered by

Wanda.

Garnette McKoy donated a Spanish (red) oak tree to the Garden Club and Herman Weaver dug and transplanted it to the Cross Plains Community Park on Beech Street. Vanda Creech took pictures of the occasion. Also a flowering quince was set out in the Library Garden on Main Street. This is the club's annual Arbor Day Project.

James Nichols will give the monthly Gardening Tips for the local newspaper.

Barbara named the following individuals to formulate the club's "Standing Rules": Bob Powell, Julene Franke, Mary Ella Weaver, Joyce Odom and Barbara Powell. Bob will serve as the chairman of the group.

Julene conducted the door prize which was a potted rose bush and it was won by Mary Ella.

The meeting adjourned. It will meet again April 11 at 2 p.m. at the Multi-Purpose Center. Hosts were Esther Kerr and Joyce Odom. They served delicious refreshments from a table that carried out the Saint Patrick's Day theme.

Guests present were: Bill and Sheri Dunaway, Allison Wilson, Sharon Hill, Zora Mae Baum, Lois Garrett, Garnett McKoy, Vanda Creech, Herman Weaver and Johnnie Bland. Members present were: Bob and Barbara Powell and grandson, Tony, Eva Fleming, Julene Franke, Betty Beggs, James Nichols, Kay Mosley, Wanda Martin, Mary Ella Weaver, Esther Kerr and Joyce Odom.

REMEMBER: Trade Day is this coming Saturday at the bank lot south of the city fountain on Main Street.

ELEMENTARY EXTRA

BY NANCY RANDOLPH

The PTO kicked off its annual cookie dough fund-raiser on Thursday, March 13. The EPI representatives discussed with the students selling to family and friends. They stressed to our young students not to sell to strangers. The students were then shown the prizes for selling the dough. Each child will receive a prize for just one sell. Students with two items sold will receive a school colored t-shirt. These will be great in the fall for supporting the buffaloes in football. Please support the PTO by purchasing a tub from an elementary child. All money raised by the PTO goes back in helping provide needed items for the school and supplies in the classrooms. The elementary appreciates all the hard work this organization does.

The spring pictures are scheduled for Tuesday, March 25. This is the Tuesday after we return to school from Spring Break. Please

watch for forms for purchasing class pictures. They will be \$7.00. Students must have the money when they go to take the picture. Please send a payment envelope with each child, family orders are hard for the photographers to break up. Students are encouraged to wear bright colors that day.

The Screening for next year's Pre-Kindergarten will be held on Thursday, April 4. This screening is open to students that will be 3 or 4 years old before September 1. Parents will need to bring the child's social security card and shot record. Parents will be asked to call the elementary school at 725-6123 and schedule an appointment following Spring Break (March 24).

Hope everyone has had a great spring break and is ready to work hard these last 10 weeks. The end of school is a fast paced time of year.

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Trammell is a graduate of the Diesel Equipment Technology program.

Texas State Technical College Waco conferred more associate degrees than any public college in the nation in engineering-related technologies. TSTC Waco is also the No. 1 Texas public college in awarding communications technologies and No. 1 college in agricultural business associate degrees. (Based on U.S. Department of Labor data as reported in the June 24, 2002 issue of "Community College Week.")

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Water Supply Corporation

The annual membership meeting of the Callahan W.S.C. will be held on Monday, March 24, 2003 at the water office located at 218 No. Access Rd. I-20, Clyde. A meal will be catered and served starting at 6:15 p.m., please R.S.V.P. by Friday, March 21, 2003 (by phone or phone 893-3841).

The business meeting will follow beginning at 7:00 p.m. All members are requested to attend if possible.

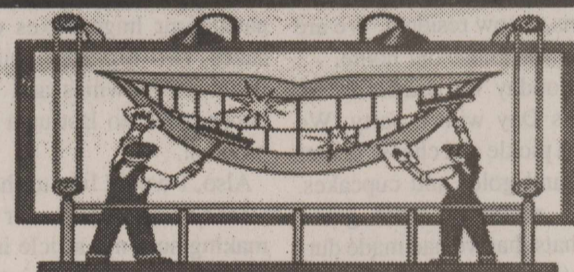
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CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

January 7, 2003

February 4, 2003

This was a regular meeting of the Cross Plains City Council. All members were present. Minutes of the previous meeting were approved as read, with the exception that Debbie is to add to the December 3, 2002 minutes that the police reports were accepted as presented by general consent.

Don Gosnell, Chief, gave the monthly police report. He reported 67 calls for service, 5 criminal mischiefs, 2 prowlers, 4 thefts, 1 accident, 2 gas drive-offs, 4 family disturbance calls, 1 forgery, 3 disorderly conducts, 2 telephone harassments, 2 burglaries of a vehicle, 3 assaults, 2 warrants served and 3 assisting other agencies, with 36 warnings and 51 citations.

Bob Hill presented the monthly judge's report. He reported 51 citations for December with 21 remaining outstanding. There are 12 citations outstanding for November, and 2 remaining outstanding for October. By general consent the council approved the reports as presented.

Jerry Cassle moved to pass a resolution that allows plumbing work in cities of less than 5,000 to be performed by an unlicensed plumber, unless otherwise required by ordinance. Edwin Weiss seconded and motion carried.

Discussion was held at length concerning the franchise agreement between the City and Brownwood TV Cable. James Nichols moved to table the discussion at the present time. Dean Dillard seconded and motion carried.

Edwin Weiss moved to pay the bills. Jerry Cassle seconded and motion carried.

Dean Dillard moved to adjourn. Edwin Weiss seconded and motion carried.

Ray Purvis, Mayor
ATTEST:
Debbie Gosnell, Secretary

This was a regular meeting of the Cross Plains City Council. All members were present except Dean Dillard. By general consent, minutes of the previous meeting were approved as read.

Don Gosnell, Chief, gave the monthly police report. He reported 76 calls for service, 1 criminal mischief, 1 theft, 3 accidents, 3 family disturbance calls, 4 disorderly conducts, 4 prowlers, 2 fleeing from police, 2 drug possessions, 3 cows on road, 5 assault, 2 warrants served and 2 assisting other agencies, with 48 warnings and 52 citations. By general consent the council approved the report as presented.

Walter Thomason met with the council to give the quarterly report for the Nutrition Project and Senior Citizens' Center. He reported 522 congregated meals and 462 Meals on Wheels for October; 469 congregated and 420 Meals on Wheels for November; and 436 congregated meals and 427 Meals on Wheels for December. Mr. Thomason also discussed the Game Nights at the Senior Citizens' Center. He reported that the seniors play 42, dominos, pool and various other games. He thanked the council for their time.

James Nichols moved to continue to pay the insurance on the American Legion Hall with the stipulation that the building be kept up and all damage to the roof or other areas of the building be reported to the insurance company on a timely basis. Debbie is to find out who is in charge of the American Legion Hall. Joe Ingram seconded and motion carried.

Bob Harrell met with the council concerning the stove that was donated to the City by Colonial Oaks Nursing Home. Discussion was held at length concerning the condition and age of the stove. It was pointed out that quite a bit of rewiring would have to be done to accommodate the new stove, as well as remodeling to pull out some of the cabinets due to the size of the stove. By general consent the council tabled the discussion until they have time to look at the stove and decide whether they want it in the Community Center or not.

Bob also informed the council that the truck they have been working on will be ready Monday and the tanker they are currently using will be given to the Street Department for a water truck. He reported that the new officers have been elected and they are the same as last year.

Jerry Cassle moved to pay the bills. Edwin Weiss seconded and motion carried.

Edwin Weiss moved to adjourn. Jerry Cassle seconded and motion carried.

Ray Purvis, Mayor
ATTEST:
Debbie Gosnell, Secretary

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Margie Sowell
Directora de la Escuela

National Agriculture Day-2003

WACO—Texans may have moved away from the farm, but agriculture is still a key part of the life of every Texan.

March 21, 2003 is the annual observance of National Agriculture Day, and the president of Texas' largest organization of farm and ranch families reminds Texans of the continued importance of the state's second largest industry.

"Only two generations ago, most Texans had vivid memories of farm and ranch life or perhaps still lived in a rural area," said Kenneth Dierschke, president of the Texas Farm Bureau. "Today, agriculture is as important as ever, but it's in the hands of a smaller group of skilled workers."

That number, Dierschke said, includes not only farmers and ranchers, but also an agribusiness community of researchers, marketers and gov-

ernment employees that all participate in the modern miracle of American agriculture.

Today, Texas is one of America's most urban states, with the majority of the population centered in a handful of major cities. Still, 20 percent of Texas' jobs are dependent on agriculture, and the ability of America to produce its own food is a key component of national security.

"Agriculture has struggled in recent years, but our productivity remains the envy of the world," Dierschke said.

Dierschke said that agriculture's challenge for the future will be to deploy new and proven technology to provide safe and affordable food while protecting the resources of soil and water for future generations.

"Farm Bureau, and the farmers and ranchers of Texas are committed to this goal," he said.

Navy Seaman Raines Departs to Western Pacific/Arabian Gulf

Navy Seaman Kari A. Raines, daughter of Debbie A. Smith of Longview and Craig A. Raines of Abilene, recently departed to the Western Pacific and Arabian Gulf while assigned to the guided missile destroyer USS O'Kane, homeported in Pearl Harbor, Hawaii.

Raines' ship deploys as the United States is repositioning some of its military forces to prepare for and support the President's campaign against terrorism and to support the President's campaign against terrorism and to support efforts to identify, locate and hold account-

able terrorists and those who support and harbor them.

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Raines is a 1999 graduate of Spring Hill High School of Longview and joined the Navy in July 2001. For more information about the ship, visit <http://www.o-kane.navy.mil>.



CASEY HART

...wins bronze medal in international trap

Casey Hart Wins Bronze Medal in USA Shooting Championship

Casey Hart, a Junior at Clyde High School, won the Bronze Medal at the U.S.A. Shooting Zone 8 Trap Championships held February 16, 2003, in Angleton, Texas.

U.S.A. Shooting is the National Governing Body for the Olympic Shooting Sports and Casey's score will be sent to the Olympic Shooting coaches

in Colorado Springs, Colorado.

Casey is an active member of the Callahan County 4-H Shooting Sports and is the son of Tom and Jackie Hart and grandson of Dr. Richard and Violet Wood, all of Clyde, and Tom and Mona Hart of Albany, Texas.

Congratulations on your Bronze Medal Casey!!

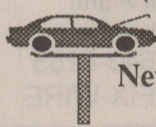
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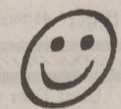
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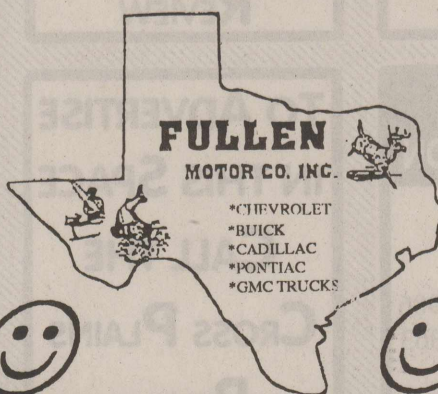
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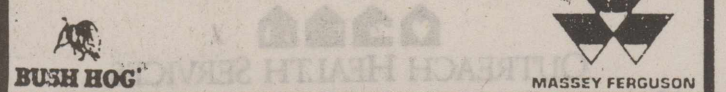
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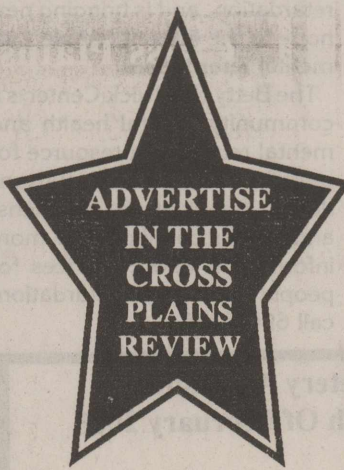
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KIWANIS MEMBERS HEAR FROM CROSS PLAINS ELEMENTARY PRINCIPAL—Margie Sowell, Cross Plains Elementary School Principal, was the guest of Kiwanian Ray Womack, a previous principal of school, at the Kiwanis Club meeting at noon on Tuesday, March 11. Mrs. Sowell shared information about activities and achievements of the Cross Plains Elementary students thus far this school year. One of things she mentioned was a program in place to teach good principles in the lives of the students and how much fruit was being realized from that emphasis. She also expressed her appreciation for help from all the organizations in Cross Plains, like the Kiwanis Club, in helping elementary students with certain needs from time to time. The Kiwanians all agree that Mrs. Sowell continues to do a splendid job as principal of Cross Plains' Elementary. Submitted by Bob Pipes

Veterans News

LAND SALE: The Texas Veterans Land Board will open bids at 4:30 p.m., on April 21, 2003 for the sale of 108 tracts of forfeited land across the state. There are no offerings in the counties surrounding Callahan but there is one 9 acre parcel available in Callahan County. To reach the property go south from Eula on FM 603 for 0.3 mile to CR 211 on the right (West side). Go 0.1 mile to where road makes turn back north. Tract is straight ahead and on west side of the road. A mobile home on tract at time of inspection in NOT VLB property. **CAUTION:** A one acre plot is not included in the sale and this piece is located right in the corner that joins the road. There is a sixty foot wide strip on either side of the one acre that allows road access for the nine acres. Minimum bid is \$18,000. Call 1-800-252-VETS for more information on the properties for sale.

LOAN PAYMENT RELIEF: The Texas Veterans Land Board is offering a break to Reservists and National Guard troops who are called to active duty. For land loans, they can defer the monthly payment entirely while on active duty or forego interest charges and make payments that go directly

toward the loan principal. Military members will have the option to pay only the principal on their VLB home and home-improvement loans while they are on active duty. Call 1-800-252-VETS for more information on the offer.

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TAPS: Too many of our Veterans have answered the last call of late. These include James Davis, USA Baird; James Massengale, USA Eula; Jimmy Middleton, USA Baird; John Cliff Patton, USA Clyde; Butler G. Perry, USMC Clyde; Jack Scott, USA Cross Plains; Onis A. Taylor, USAF Baird; and Fred Williams, USAF Clyde. Take the time to say "Thanks" to all Veterans, especially those who served in World War II and Korea.

Congressman announces signing of 'Do Not Call Implementation Act'

WASHINGTON, D.C.—Congressman Charlie Stenholm announced today that President George W. Bush signed the "Do Not Call Implementation Act" into law. This law authorizes the Federal Trade Commission to establish regulations creating fees to implement and enforce provisions regarding the "do not call" registry for telemarketers.

"I strongly support the goal of this legislation and voted for its passage in the House of Representatives. The objective of this new law is to hold telemarketers accountable for calling folks listed on the Do Not Call registry, making them subject to penalties for the violation," noted Stenholm. "When launching the do-not-call registry, we must monitor its progress closely as

coordinating the efforts of the Federal Trade Commission, the Federal Communications Commission and state authorities into one national system will be challenging."

Stenholm further elaborated his conviction that the cornerstone of our society is the family, that the family home should be respected as such, and that he will continue to support legislation that will help keep the home as a place of refuge, peace, and tranquility.

"I believe that this effort is a step toward restoring the sanctity of the home, and I firmly believe that homeowners have a greater right to decide that they wish to be free from such marketing practices in their own home," commented Stenholm.

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March is MENTAL RETARDATION AWARENESS Month

According to Robbye Plummer, director of planning and public relations with the Betty Hardwick Center, mental retardation is a condition that affects approximately 565,000 Texans. It does not distinguish among those it affects: rich and poor; old and young; male and female; Black, White, Hispanic or Asian; friends and relatives.

Though public acceptance of individuals with mental retardation has improved over the years, there are still situations of stigma or lack of understanding that prevent people with mental retardation from receiving the services that could help them live more independently. Families may be reluctant to seek the help they need for their child because of the stigma associated with mental retardation. This results in the child not reaching his/her full potential.

At least 85% of people with

mental retardation are only mildly affected. Given the opportunity these folks can usually work and live in the community with minimal assistance. With individualized training and support all individuals with mental retardation, regardless of functioning level, can live productive, dignified and fulfilling lives.

Today's research is opening new insights into the causes, treatment and possible prevention of mental retardation, and is bringing new hope to the lives of people with mental retardation.

The Betty Hardwick Center is a community mental health and mental retardation resource for people living in Callahan, Jones, Shackelford, Stephens, and Taylor counties. For more information about services for people with mental retardation, call 690-5105.

Cross Plains Cemetery Association
Report For The Month Of February 2003

Donations & Earnings	
John Adams	\$ 35.00
Interest Added to Account	.90
Totals	\$ 35.90
Grave Opening Permits	
1- Permit by Laquita Webber	\$ 75.00
Totals	\$ 75.00

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Van Steven Young
Wesley Hutchins
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