



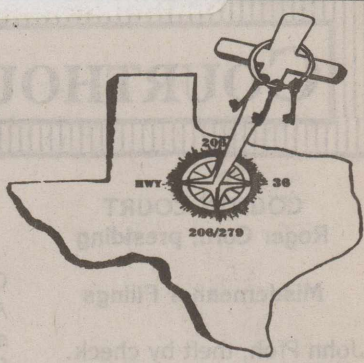
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DOWN HOME

"Remembering Clara Nell"

By Vanda Anderson-Creech
Editor

We have lost yet another of our outstanding citizens, Clara Nell Spencer. She has always told me to write that she died, not passed away, and I promised her that I would. This was very important to her and I only want to honor her wishes.

It is difficult to comprehend that we will not be graced by her elegant presence. A beautiful lady, with such charm and personality, she will be dearly missed.

I was not privileged to have her as a teacher, but I know she touched the lives of so many young people during her career. It would be easy for a student to bond with her and thus learning would be enhanced.

The *Cross Plains Review* is appreciative of the many historical writings Clara Nell researched and published throughout the years. Thanks to her dedication, the history of Cross Plains has been recorded for posterity. Besides giving the facts, she added some spice with her own special humor.

Her brother, Hugh, named her "Sitter" and many of you affectionately called her such. Her sister, Toody Byrd, called her "Pearl", along with other family members. She has now joined her life-long friends, the members of the "Just Us Club", including Rosalea Bonner, Bobbie Edmondson, Helen Freeman, Cheryl, Georgia and Betsy. Don't you know that was a wonderful reunion!!!! Fannie Neeb Miller is now the only survivor of the group that was formed by the late Ada Cutbirth.

Deborah Childers told me how precious she was to her. The two assisted with the local elections. Clara Nell was quick to tell you she was a "Yellow Dog Democrat". She said if the candidate was a Democrat, she had to vote for them.

She loved her family dearly and was saddened by the fact that she had lost so many members over the past few years. She was proud of her children, Bo and Sissy, and her grandsons, Chance and Cleve, and loved to tell of their accomplishments.

She had adopted the Cliff and Connie Kirkham family for her own. She was Grandma Sitter to their children and grandchildren.

Teri Coburn, a cousin, appreciated Clara Nell's encouragement and unconditional love. Terry Baum Rogers treasured their friendship and closeness over the years.

She loved garage sales and was a great shopper. She found wonderful bargains and shared her findings with others.

I became closer to Clara Nell visiting with her at Jack's Place. She delighted in dining there and especially the opportunity to talk with everyone who came in. She was a wonderful conversationalist, with something interesting and informative to tell. Stories about her family and personal experiences were hilarious. She knew how to have fun and her joy was contagious.

Clara Nell often came by the
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Services Held for Clara Nell Spencer

Clara Nell Spencer, 86, of Cross Plains, died Wednesday, July 23, 2003, at her home in Cross Plains.

Funeral services were held at 10:00 a.m. Saturday, July 26, 2003, at the Higginbotham Funeral Chapel with Mike Redd officiating, assisted by John Swift, and a special prayer by Dr. Alan Byrd. Music was performed by Ellen Stienle, James and Dorothy Reynolds. Burial was in the Cross Plains Cemetery under the direction of Higginbotham Funeral Home of Cross Plains.

Clara Nell was born June 5, 1917 on the Hugh McDermott Ranch 8 miles west of Cross Plains in Callahan County, Texas, the daughter of Hugh and Anne Garrett McDermott.

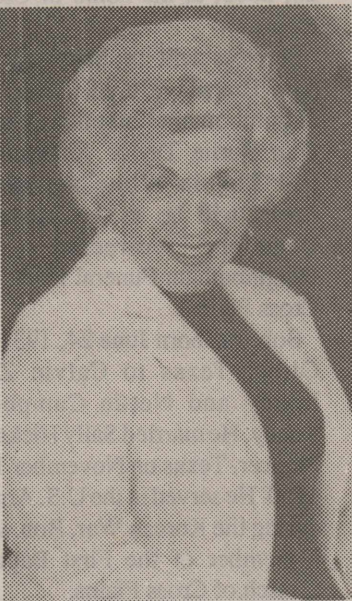
She was one of the 17 grandchildren of Joseph Charles and Susan Emily McDermott, of which only 4 remain, Toody Byrd, Bob Silver, Charles Coburn and Keith Coburn.

Clara Nell graduated from Cross Plains High School, Tarleton State University (then John Tarleton Agriculture College), and received a B.S. degree from the University of Houston.

She was an outstanding school teacher for 27 years, the last 17 at Cross Plains School. She sponsored the cheerleaders, that included riding the yellow school bus to all the games. She belonged to the Historical Society, Project Pride, Texas State Teachers Association and National Education Association; served on the Child Welfare Board of Callahan County; and was a participant in the writing of the History of Callahan County.

Clara Nell was a lifetime Presbyterian and a proud Democrat.

She married R.W. "Hungry" Spencer in Callahan County. Clara Nell was dearly loved by all who knew her and was a very vital



CLARA NELL SPENCER

part of the Cross Plains community. She will be missed by all.

Survivors include her son, Hugh Carson "Bo" Barr and wife, Sandra of Cross Plains; daughter, Patricia Petty "Sissy" Wiese and husband, Larry of Chappell Hill; sister, Toody Byrd and husband, Hoyt of Austin; grandsons, Carson Chance Barr of Atlanta, Georgia, Hugh Clevenger "Cleve" Wiese of Memphis, Tennessee and Cato Lyn Platt of Cross Plains; nieces, Mrs. Ronnie Woodson of Corpus Christi and Nancy McDermott Henderson of San Antonio; a nephew, Dr. Alan Byrd of Alpine; and a first cousin, Dr. W.J. Garrett of Van; her extended family includes step-children, David Spencer and wife Vicki of Paducah, Kentucky, Richard Warren Spencer II of Odessa, Glenda Weaver and husband Don of View; step-grandchildren, Christopher Spencer and wife Carla of Alpine, Mathew Spencer of Lubbock, Kelli Ondusko and husband Gilbert of Albany, New York, Angela Weaver of View; several step-great-grandchildren; Joyce Cottrell, loving caretaker

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Cross Plains family has unique reunion experience

By Vanda Anderson Creech
Editor

Can you imagine the emotions felt as Gayle Underwood and Susan Parker, who are biological brother and sister, met for the first time? On Saturday, July 19, 2003, the two simply shook hands and stared in amazement. Had they been in a room of hundreds of people, their resemblance was so strong you would know they were kin.

Gaylia Birch, Gayle's mother, has been searching for her son's siblings for many years, having succeeded earlier in locating his twin sisters, Lynda Schultz and Glynda Sotello. Then a few months ago, Susan entered Texcare (Texas Adoption Search Registry), a program that focuses on finding lost siblings and birth parents.

After a few e-mails and some telephone calls, Gaylia was convinced she was the person she was looking for. Some additional research proved her hunch true. What she couldn't understand was, she had the necessary information for over a year but had overlooked it. She remarked, "People who work with connecting adopted children to their natural parents feel like all discoveries are in God's time." That certainly makes sense, because everything in life runs on the same course.

Gaylia and her husband, Alfred, invited Susan and her family to their home east of Cross Plains to get acquainted. Susan, who resides in Watauga, brought her two sons, Trevor and Taylor, her (adopted) mother, Donna Franks and her sister, Jana Franks. Anxiously waiting to meet them were Gayle and his wife, Brandi, and their daughter, Savannah; Kathy Johnson, Brandi's mother; Gaylia and Alfred; and me. For those who do not know, Gaylia is my second cousin on the Irvin side of the family.

Gaylia had prepared a brisket dinner and all the trimmings, while Gayle barbecued pork chops and ribs on the grill. A delicious meal was served to our new family members.

It was heart-warming to hear Donna talk about bonding with Susan on the short trip to their home the first day she saw her.

Susan's family brought photo albums and you could follow her life through the pictures. It was obvious she had been loved and



THE VERY FIRST TIME— Biological siblings, Susan Parker and Gayle Underwood, met for the first time with the support of their loved ones.



SIBLINGS WITH MOTHERS WHO RAISED THEM—Donna Franks (from lefts), Susan Parker, Gayle Underwood and Gaylia Birch.

cared for. Of course, Gayle, was loved by Gaylia and her late husband, Gordon (his adopted parents).

By the end of the day Gayle and Susan knew a little more about each other and the reunion was a definite success. The two plan to keep in touch.

Gaylia has two adopted sons who are not biological brothers and she dedicated herself to locating their biological families, with their permission of course. She found her other son's biological mother and Greg and her have established a relationship over the years. He didn't have any biological siblings.

Following years of experience, collecting information, files and researching at libraries, Gaylia has developed a great interest

in the challenge of connecting families. Daily she works at her computer searching and e-mailing people all over the United States assisting them in their search. Presently she averages connecting at least two families per month.

This is her hobby, as she never receives any monetary payment, only the sincere appreciation of many individuals for her time and assistance. Gaylia has a God-given talent and I'm so proud of her devotion to all the families she has helped.

Being able to be a part of this wonderful reunion was so unique. May Gayle and Susan's relationship continue to grow as they get to know each other better.

Game, set, match "A Tennis Dream Come True"

A promise made in the local Village Market back in 1988 has come true for a Cross Plains graduate. Randy Stephenson was stocking shelves and carrying groceries to the cars when he got really hooked on tennis and announced that one day he would be at the Wimbledon Tournament in England.

Moving from his little \$2.50 aluminum racquet from Bobby Jack's Trading Post up through a series of brands and styles of racquets, he learned the game from Mack McConal and was on his way.

However, the dream came true in a very different version than he had determined.

Stephenson and his wife, Nicki, were recently in London where he was working for the Bow Brand Racket Stringing team at the Wimbledon! Turns out that his unique touch with a stringing machine far surpassed his playing ability.

Working for a Sports Town store in Dallas while attending the Art Institute, Randy asked a

co-worker to teach him how to string a tennis racket. Since that day, he has become quite well known in the Dallas tennis community for his skill and knowledge of the game from the perspective of the equipment.

After a stint with his own tennis shop, he's now working in the sports department at Oshman's and stringing for country clubs and tennis academies on the side.

It was this side-line work that led him to contact the Bow Brand

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Vehicle Registration Office Closing

The Vehicle Registration Office located in the Justice of the Peace Office on Main Street will be closed for vacation Monday, August 4, through Thursday, August 7. It will re-open on Friday, August 8.

BENEFIT Cowboy Garage Sale Round-Up VBS at Cottonwood Baptist Church

A Garage Sale will be held Friday and Saturday, August 1 and 2, at the home of Ivan and Renee Denny on North Main beginning at 8:00 a.m.

Proceeds from the sale will be utilized for transportation costs to Dallas for their son, Ivan Denny, III for surgery. Ivan will be undergoing gama-knife surgery to remove a mass in his brain.

Remember to go by and help them during their need. He has been authorized to receive disability funding for the surgery after a long waiting period. Please keep Ivan and his family in your prayers concerning his surgery and recovery.

Cowboy Garage Sale Round-Up VBS at Cottonwood Baptist Church

Cottonwood Baptist Church will be hosting their annual Vacation Bible School Sunday, August 3, through Thursday, August 7, from 6:00 to 8:30 p.m. Pre-K through 6th grade children are invited to attend.

This year's theme is a Cowboy Round-Up. Join them for Bible stories, crafts, music and good Christian fun. If you need a ride call (254) 725-6266.

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Wilson Kenneth, order extending probation granted.
Sherry Floyd, order extending probation granted.

Ed McConnell, plea to guilty to forgery, 2 year probation, \$750 fine, \$268 court costs, \$135 fine.

Beverly McConnell, plea to guilty to forgery, 2 year probation, \$750 fine, \$268 court costs, \$135 fine.

42nd DISTRICT COURT John Weeks, presiding

Civil Minutes

The State of Texas vs Coy B. Greenrock, principal and Lynn Autry, dba, Ace Bail Bond, surety, final judgment of bond forfeiture for sum of \$2723 granted.

The State of Texas vs. 1994 Pontiac Grand Prix SE, VIN #1G2WJ12M7RF22831, nunc protunc order correcting VIN # granted.

Dennis Chambers, Jr. and Miranda Dawn Chambers, divorce granted.

Criminal Minutes

Melanie D. Fomby, plea of guilty to injury to a child, 6 year probation, \$750 fine, \$236 court costs, \$69.43 restitution.

Lisa M. Williams, order amending conditions of probation granted.

Tiffany M. Jackson, judgment revoking probation granted.

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Church (254) 725-6266

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Sunday Evening Worship.....6:00 P.M.

Bill Armstrong - Pastor

OBITUARIES

Minnie Cunningham

Minnie Cunningham, 85, of Cross Plains, passed away Saturday, July 26, 2003, at her home.

Services were held at 2:00 p.m. Monday, July 28, 2003, at the Higginbotham Funeral Chapel with Ronnie White officiating. Burial was in the Cross Plains Cemetery directed by Higginbotham Funeral Home of Cross Plains.

Minnie was born September 10, 1917 in Cottonwood, Texas to Lewis Coppinger and Maud Shufford Coppinger. She married Mike Cunningham in Jal, New Mexico on August 15, 1940. She was a member of the First Baptist Church of Cross Plains.

Survivors include several nieces, nephews and cousins, including, Charlou Cowan and Lurene McNutt, both of Cross Plains, Sharene Deskmukh of Stephenville and Byrene Ferguson of Odessa; as well as Kerry Coppinger, Becky Shugart, and Susan Carpenter.

She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband, Mike Cunningham; twin sister, Winnie Lane, and sister, Louise Richardson; three brothers, Charles Coppinger, John Coppinger and Tommy James Coppinger.

Pallbearers were Alvin Hutchins, Dick Grider, Charlie Grider, Scott Childress, Thomas Buckner and Rex Beggs.

Memorials may be made to the First Baptist Church, P.O. Box 134, Cross Plains, Texas 76443 or the Cross Plains E.M.S., P.O. Box 699, Cross Plains, Texas 76443.

Vernon Falkner

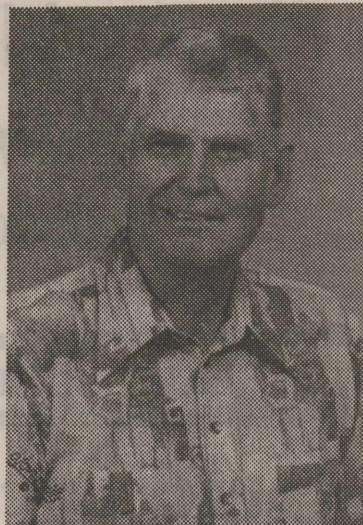
Graveside services for Vernon Falkner, 85, of Cross Plains, were held at 3 p.m. Thursday, July 24, at Pioneer Cemetery, with Eric Lovell officiating. Interment followed under the direction of Higginbotham Funeral Home of Cross Plains.

Mr. Falkner died Tuesday, July 22, 2003.

He was born June 12, 1918 in Tom Green County, Texas to Henry V. Falkner and Macy Louise Rowan Falkner. He married Eunice Fore in Eastland County, Texas on July 1, 1918. He served in the U.S. Air Force. He was a Baptist.

Survivors include two sons, L.V. Falkner of Palo Pinto and Bill "Carroll" Falkner of Largo, Florida; three daughters, Ann King of Portales, New Mexico, Vera Gassiot of Corrigan and Dee Wallace of Colorado City; four brothers, Elmer Falkner of San Angelo, Riley Falkner of Potosi, John Falkner of Covington, New Mexico and Robert Falkner of Longview; two sisters, Louise Boyles of Brady and Shirley Johnson of Albuquerque; 11 grandchildren, 20 great-grandchildren and one great-great-grandchild.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Eunice, on July 1, 1993 and a brother, Daniel Falkner.



Bobby "Bob" Roady

Bobby "Bob" Roady, 72, of Cross Plains, died Monday, July 28, 2003, at his home in Cross Plains.

Services will be held at 2:00 p.m. Thursday, July 31, 2003, at Higginbotham Funeral Chapel with Burlie Taylor officiating and Ronnie White assisting. Burial will be in the Sabanno Cemetery directed by Higginbotham Funeral Home of Cross Plains.

Bob was born June 24, 1931 in Olton, Texas to Calvin Zee Roady and Nettie Campbell Roady. He married Sally Hicks in Pioneer, Texas on November 12, 1950. He served in the U.S. Army during the Korean War. Bob was a member of the First Baptist Church of Cross Plains.

Mr. Roady owned Western Auto in Cross Plains for 11 years and later was self-employed in construction and maintenance.

Survivors include his wife, Sally Roady of Cross Plains; two sons, Joe Grant Roady of Brownwood and George Williams Roady of San Francisco, California; a daughter, Cindy Lou Meyer of Benton, Missouri; two brothers, N.A. Roady of Baird and Art Roady of Abilene; two sisters, Billie Freeman of Cross Plains and Sue McNeil of Baird; three grandchildren, Kerri, Charlie, and Aly; and three great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents; a brother, Calvin; a sister, Mary Joe; a daughter, Rose Marie.

Memorials may be made to the Cross Plains Volunteer Fire Department, P.O. Box 185, Cross Plains, Texas 76443 or Cross Plains E.M.S., P.O. Box 699, Cross Plains, Texas 76443.

Service Cancelled at Living Water

Regular Wednesday night services have been cancelled at Living Water Ministries for August 6th only. They will be attending the Apostolic-Prophetic Conference at Emmanuel Fellowship Church, Sunday night through Wednesday night, August 3-6.

Conference speakers will be Allan and Eileen Vincent and John and Beverly Sheasby.

Anyone wishing to attend the conference at Emmanuel Fellowship Church, North 3rd and Mockingbird, Abilene, please call (325) 672-6151.

Kenneth Holt

Kenneth Holt, 90, went home to be with the Lord on Saturday, July 19, 2003, in Wichita Falls.

Funeral services were held at 3 p.m. Monday, July 21, 2003, in the First Baptist Church in Holliday. Officiating was Bro. Darryl Sewell, pastor of the First Baptist Church in Holliday, and Daren Holt of Tyler. Interment was in the Holliday Cemetery under the direction of Owens and Brumley Funeral Home.

Kenneth Holt was the son of the late William Harrison and Nanny (Slaughter) Holt. He was born October 25, 1912 in Marceline, Missouri. He married Delana Belle Arbuckle on September 3, 1942 in Marceline, Missouri, where they lived until moving to Texas in 1952, and later settling in Holliday in 1960.

Mr. Holt served in the U.S. Navy Seabees during World War II. Kenneth was a gauger for Sinclair Oil Company in Cross Plains from 1952 to 1960. He was active in the First Baptist Church in Cross Plains. He belonged to the Masonic Lodge in Marceline, Missouri. He was a faithful member of the First Baptist Church in Holliday where he served as a Sunday school teacher and a deacon.

Survivors include his son, Bill Holt and wife, Susan of Irving; a daughter, Jackie Allen of Holliday; four grandchildren, Michael Allen and wife, Laurie of Holliday, Matthew Allen and wife, Korie of Wichita Falls, Darren Holt and wife, Julie of Tyler and Stephanie (Holt) Heady and husband, Chance of Irving, and Mark Allen; and four great-grandchildren, Logan and Landri Allen, Kenneth Maxwell Holt and Christian Heady.

He was preceded in death by his wife of 54 years, Delana; a brother, Raymond Holt; and a grandson, Brian K. Allen.

For those desiring memorials may be made to the First Baptist Church of Holliday Building Fund.

Christian Musical Group to Perform at Brownwood

The Christian Music Group "The Imperials" will be at Abundant Life Church Sunday morning August 10th. The Imperials are known internationally as one of the top music groups in the world, as they have received numerous awards including, four Grammy awards, eight Dove awards for Group of the Year, four Dove awards for Album of the Year and much more.

The Imperials will be at Abundant Life Church in Brownwood Sunday morning, August 10, at 10:30 a.m. There will be only one service.

There is no admission and a free nursery will be provided for infants through age five. Abundant Life is located at West Belle Plain (Highway 67/84) and Belle Plain. Doors will open at 10 a.m.

For more information call (325) 643-4738 or visit www.abundantlifebrownwood.com.

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GARDEN TIPS

BY JAMES NICHOLS

"Perennials 101"

Perennials have gone in and out of fashion over the last few hundred years.

Thanks to the revival of casual "cottage garden". Perennials are more popular with the home gardeners of today. Given the selection of perennial plants that are available. It all adds up to be somewhat larger than life gardening. Perennials can be so intimidating.

A much freer approach to perennials has begun to take hold in our

imaginations.

Perennials can be planted among shrubs, borders, or in containers. Annuals and perennials can be combined to delightful effect.

If you must, there's always the perennial border, scaled down to reflect contemporary restraints of time and resources.

Unlike annuals, perennials, many of which are herbaceous long-lived plants, die down to the ground in winter and return with new growth in the spring.

LIBRARY NOTES

July 21 - July 25

Statistics

Circulation:	
Books	86
Interlibrary Loans	1
Total	87
Memorials:	
Jimmielee and Virginia Payne (In Memory of Clara Nell Spencer)	

Betty Jean Browning In Memory of Joe Ingram
Glenn and Ruthie Lawrence and Alice Roby (In Memory of Vernon Falkner and Clara Nell Spencer)
Donations:
William Henry Gribble
Jane M. Purvis
Kiwanis Club

Woody Family Reunion Reported

The 67th Woody Reunion was held July 12th at Ethel Champion's home with 25 in attendance. Those present from Cross Plains were H.T. and Marie Peevey, Alice Lee Clark, Sally Whiteley, Billy Woody and Ethel Champion; Abilene - Glenn Champion, Jr., Randi, Cassidy and Caleb, Jo and Claud Champion, Marie Brown, Tyler and Ryan Champion and Tanner Underwood; Stephenville - Monty, Kim and Shelly Champion; Canyon - Ned and Billie Clark; Denver City - Bob and Ray Campion, and David and Vi Turnbough.

On Sunday, July 13th they all met at the Community Center in

Cottonwood with 27 in attendance. Those present from Cross Plains - Ethel Champion, Alice Lee Clark, H.T. and Marie Peevey, Sally Whiteley, Ron and Sharle Lynn and Tiffany Bell, Billy Woody and Jesse Clark; San Angelo - Calvin Champion; Abilene - Claud and Jo Champion, Marie Brown, Hayley, Tanner and Toby Underwood, Clay and Christine Meadows (Christine is Laura Woody's daughter); Albuquerque, New Mexico - Tyler and Ryan Champion; Canyon - Ned and Billie Clark; and Denver City - Bob and Ray Champion and David and Vi Turnbough.

Immunization Clinic Schedule

Texas Department of Health will hold the following Immunization Clinics in Callahan County Monday, August 11, at the Baird Cafeteria, 400 West 7th, from 10 a.m. to 12 noon; and Cross Plains Housing Authority, 233 North Main, from 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.; Wednesday, Au-

gust 13, at Clyde Community Resource Center, 306 N. 1st, from 10 a.m. to 12 noon and 1:30 p.m. to 5 p.m.

Please bring child's immunization records.

For more information call (915) 754-4945.

SENIOR CITIZENS MENU

AUGUST 4 - AUGUST 8

MONDAY - Chicken Spaghetti, Tossed Salad, Corn, Apricots, Bread, Milk
TUESDAY - Enchilada Cass., Spanish Rice, Mexican Salad, Pudding, Crackers, Milk
WEDNESDAY - Meatloaf, Cabbage, Carrots, Peaches, Cake,

Bread, Milk
THURSDAY - Sausage, Saurkraut, Blackeyed Peas, Copper Penny Salad, Bread, Milk
FRIDAY - Pepper Steak w/gravy, Rice, Green Beans & Tomatoes, Fruit, Bread, Milk

BREAKTHRU

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



Some are willing to trade "The Way" for just any "way," "The Truth" for any "truth," and "The Life" for any "life." Jesus told His apostles that He was all of these—the very essence of the way, truth, and life, John 14:6.

Early on in Christianity, it (Christianity) was referred to as "the Way." Before becoming a Christian himself, Saul sought out those of "the Way" in order to persecute them (Acts 9:2). After becoming a Christian, Saul (Paul) referred to "the Way," and upheld it (Christianity) as God's only "way" of salvation (Acts 24:14).

So in a day when many claim that any "way" is acceptable, please be assured that just any "way" is not "truth" and "life." Only Christ and His Way is.

Come share with us in all the times of Bible study and worship as we meet together. We really do care about you, too.

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

COTTONWOOD NEWS

BY WALLACE BENNETT

Cottonwood August Calendar Provides Opportunities to Get Involved with Community Events and Big Country Wide Good Deeds

These hot and dry "dog days of summer" offer plenty of non-weather to talk about along with a full range of personal and community activities. So, please pay attention, to the following dates which will give you a chance to get out, get going and get involved, and you will find happiness in Cottonwood.

But first! Please call me if you have an answer to this question. How fast do you have to be pedaling to flip a three-wheel bicycle? I can't print the name, but, there is a speeder among us! So if you happen to see a young lady lying in the ditch with an up-turned three-wheeler close by, please stop and render aid.

The Quilting Club will meet for quilting on August 7, 12, 21 and 28. The club will host Cottonwood's August Musical on August 15th and at the same time host their annual "REHAB SUPPER" and celebrate their 50th year of being alive, active and doing good deeds for others. This is going to be a BIG NIGHT, so please, don't miss it. More details next week.

The Cottonwood Volunteer Fire Control Unit is scheduled to meet August 14 at the Fire Station.

Vacation Bible School will be held at 6 p.m. and will end at 8 p.m. VBS will close on Friday night with a traditional all-family hot dog supper.

Cottonwood Connections Speaking of the Cottonwood Baptist Church, Albert and Billie Hughes will be welcoming their children and families home for a visit this week. Son, Craig, is Minister of Music at the Main

Community Bible Study Begins Soon

Church in Eastland. This year's 30-week study will cover the books of Galations and Hebrews and will begin on Wednesday, September 3. Registration is now being held. Everyone is welcome. If you would like to be a part of this study, contact Linda Ferguson at (254) 629-3143 or Leslie Keffer at (254) 629-8002 to preregister, or come on the morning of September 3 at 10:15 a.m. into the sanctuary of Eastland's First Baptist Church and register then.

The CBS evening class, which is open to both men and women, will begin on Tuesday night, August 19, at 7:00 p.m. in the St. Andrews Episcopal Church in Breckenridge. Their 30-week study will also be on the books of Galations and Hebrews. If you would like to register for this class, contact John Walker in Breckenridge at (254) 559-9515 or Bob Matthews in Eastland at (254) 629-3466.

The CBS women's day class meets on Wednesday mornings from 10:15 a.m. to 12:00 noon in the First Baptist Church in Eastland and has both nursery and preschool classes. There is also a class for working women that meets at 12:00 noon til 1:00 p.m. in the First United Methodist

Clara Nell

and friend; a special cousin, Teri Coburn; and the devoted Cliff and Connie Kirkham family; and a lifetime of students and friends.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Hugh and Anne McDermott, husband, R.W. Spencer, daughter, Harriet Susan Barr, brother, Hugh McDermott, and nephew, Buddy McDermott.

Pallbearers were Cliff Kirkham, Scott Edington, Donnie Dillard, Dean Dillard, John Fred

Street Baptist Church in Christiansburg, Virginia. Daughter, Cindy, lives in Dallas where her husband, Chris Liebrum, is Director of Human Resources for the Texas General Baptist Convention. I am told that the congregation will get to hear some special music at worship services this coming Sunday.

Other Cottonwood Connections: 3 Deaths Mark the Passing of Former Residents and a Family Friend

Clara Nell (McDermott) Spencer died on July 23 and was buried in Cross Plains. She taught in the Cross Plains schools for many years. She was raised near Burnt Branch and lived in Cottonwood with her husband, R.W. "Hungry" Spencer, for a number of years.

Minnie (Coppinger) Cunningham passed away on July 26 and was also buried in Cross Plains. Many of us have fond memories of Minnie and Winnie, twin daughters of Lewis and Maud Coppinger, and star basketball players at Cottonwood High School.

And I would be remiss if, having this opportunity, by not mentioning Bob Hope's passing away as a very good friend of many GIs and their loved ones back home. I remember seeing his USO Show in California in 1942, in Korea in 1950, and Vietnam in 1968. And many of you readers will remember when his entertainment shows in all theaters of the war all over the world, brought us all closer to home.

His other connection with our Cottonwood home is through his and the Cottonwood Quilting Club's mutual charitable work for the West Texas Rehab Center in Abilene. Bob Hope was a good person and lived a good life.

Memorial gifts may be made to the Cross Plains Public Library, P. O. Box 333, Cross Plains, Texas 76443.

!!! REWARD !!!

C & C Service Center was robbed last Wednesday night. Cash and charge tickets (in a blue Citizens State Bank money bag) were stolen. The charge tickets are of no use to anyone but us. If you find these, or know the location of them, PLEASE return them. No Questions Asked. \$50 Reward!

Thanks, Cliff and Connie Kirkham

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QUIPS, CLIPS & COMMENTS

BY KAY MOSLEY

Note: From the Indian doctor book for this week. For bruised nerves—take some deer marrow and melt it with French brandy. Then rub the painful parts with it. Some very unusual treatments are contained in this book. No one should try them but instead go to your local doctor for treatment. I am notating the strange treatments just for your pleasure and as entertainment. Please read on.

"The Best"

The heat wave, a tropical heat wave!!!! Oh boy, yes it has been hot here lately. Personally however, I'd much rather be warm than be too cold, or maybe even, just cold.

There are lots of activities and fun things to do during warm sunny days. I'm sure there are plenty of "cold" weather activities as well. I just am unaware of them all. Since childhood, I've wanted and dreamed of having a croquet set and going out to play

croquet every time and any time I please. We used to play croquet when I was in the first grade.

Never having been good at sports, I'm usually hesitant to try new ones. The only things in sports that I've ever excelled at is being a spectator. For that all you have to do it sit for a long, long time and watch and listen. Then cheer at the appropriate moment.

I'm way long out of practice now, but at junior high age, I liked and enjoyed playing volleyball. Although not many play it now. Most opt for the rougher, more competitive basketball.

I played some baseball when I was in the primary grades. In baseball though I'm a left-handed batter, despite the fact that in everything else I'm a right-handed person. And...just remember whether you're a star player or a left-handed hitter or only a water boy or a minuscule little spectator, just be the dog-gone "BEST" spectator, etc. in the world. Til next week!

BURKETT NEWS

BY LOVERA STRICKLAND

Mark and Marsha Turney and Matt visited Lovera Strickland Friday afternoon. Jackie and Julie Strickland and Jared of Somerville and Matt spent the weekend.

Cheyenne and Garrett Hill of Farwell are spending a few days with their grandparents, Bob and Beth Kleiber.

Michele Strickland came home Saturday after spending several days in the hospital.

Linda Brady, secretary of the Burkett-Adams Cemeteries, reported more contributions as follows: Cody Golson \$75; Zenobia Verner (In Memory of Christine Brown) \$100; Erma Trent \$25; Brenda Cason Brown (upkeep of

Dewey and Maggie Cason) \$20; Melba Walker \$50; Christine Dempsey (In Memory of Ray Dempsey and Martha Wright) \$25; Debra Boch \$25; Tedra Ulmer \$100; Mrs. Ray Mackey \$25; Shirley Cowan March and Betty Cowan Klendera (In Memory of W.F. and Evelyn Cowan) \$25; John and Edna Gray McCleave \$100; Foy Brown \$10; Melrose Brown \$10; Wayne Webb \$25; John Stovall \$50; Mr. and Mrs. Jim Porter \$100; Shirley West \$50; Kermit Diehl \$25; and Bill and Sandra O'Conner \$20.

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DRESS AND GROOMING CODE FOR C.P.I.S.D.

The District's dress code is established to teach grooming and hygiene, instill discipline, prevent disruption, avoid safety hazards, and teach respect for authority. Students should be dressed and groomed in a manner that is clean and neat and that will not be a health or safety hazard to themselves or others.

The District prohibits any clothing or grooming that in the principal's judgement may reasonably be expected to cause disruption or interfere with normal school operations. The District prohibits pictures, emblems, or writings that are lewd, offensive, vulgar, and obscene or that advertise or depicts tobacco products, alcoholic beverages, drugs, or any other substance prohibited.

Also, any gang related clothing shall be prohibited. The student and parent may determine the student's personal dress and grooming standards provided they comply with these general guidelines and the district's code of students in the Student Handbook.

If the principal determines that a student's grooming violates the dress code, the student shall be given an opportunity to correct the problem at school. Repeated offenses may result in more serious disciplinary action. Appropriate disciplined procedures shall be followed in all cases.

The principal, in cooperation with the sponsor, coach, or other person in charge of an extracurricular activity, may regulate the dress and grooming of students who participate in the activity. Students who violate these standards may be removed or excluded from the activity for a pe-

riod determined by the principal or sponsor and may be subject to other disciplinary action.

All students enrolled in Cross Plains I.S.D. shall follow specific guidelines for dress and grooming:

1. Everyone will wear shoes. House shoes, flip flops and/or similar shoes, or high heels (3 inches or taller) are not allowed.

2. No pajama, lounge pants, are allowed.

3. Boys will wear jeans or slacks and encouraged wearing dress or sport shirts. Muscle shirts, shirts with no sleeves or tank tops will not be permitted. Fishnet shirts, bare midriff, backless outfits, halter tops, unhemmed clothing, see-through clothing, shirts split up the side, clothing that expose underwear, muscle shirts, or shirts with oversized armholes are unacceptable attire for school.

4. Clothing with vulgar, indecent slogans or pictures shall not be permitted.

5. Necklines shall not expose cleavage in front or be lower than the armpits in back.

6. Boys' hair should be neat, clean and well groomed, and should not be worn over the eyebrows and top of collar (dress shirt collar). Hairstyles are to be of acceptable nature. Sideburns will be permitted to the point where the lower part of the ear is attached, but must be straight and kept trimmed. Boys shall not have their name or messages shaved into their hair. Moustaches, beards, and other expressive male styles are not allowed. No ponytails are allowed for males.

7. No combs or pics will be worn in hair.

8. Boys are not permitted to wear earrings at school or school related activities.

9. Students, boys and girls, will not be allowed to wear rings or studs in their tongues, eyebrows, noses, or other exposed body parts with the exception of girls wearing earrings. This includes extracurricular events and contests, or any other event that is a school function regardless whether it is on the campus of Cross Plains I.S.D. or any other location.

10. Caps and hats will not be worn inside buildings. Bandannas or any gang related clothing will not be permitted.

11. Girls' hair should be neat, clean and well groomed, and should not be worn over the eyebrows. Hairstyles are to be of acceptable nature.

12. Girls may wear slacks, pants, or jeans. Girls must wear appropriate undergarments.

13. Clothing that is torn, ripped, or too revealing will not be permitted.

14. Shorts and skirts will not be permitted that are shorter than 4 inches above the knee (e.g. 3x5 index card from the middle of the knee.)

15. Girls will not be permitted to wear tank tops or tops with spaghetti straps.

16. Girls will not be allowed to wear tops that expose their navel or any part of their midriff.

17. Students will not be allowed to wear pants that are baggy or that sag.

18. Sunglasses will not be worn in the building or classrooms.

19. No unnatural hair color or coloring (example green, pink, orange, etc.)

The interpretative authority as to what dress or grooming is appropriate or inappropriate shall be vested in the principal.

Submitted by
Principal Jimmie Cearley

Cross Plains High School

Will Pre-Register Students On The Following Days:

AUGUST 5, 2003 GRADES 7 & 8

from 9am to 12noon

AUGUST 6, 2003 GRADES 9 & 10

from 9am to 12noon

AUGUST 7, 2003 GRADES 11 & 12

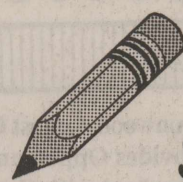
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Every Student MUST Pre-Register For
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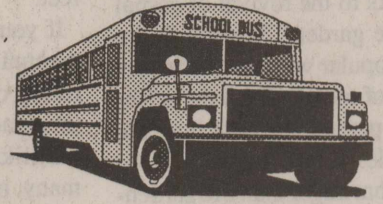
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2003-2004 SCHOOL SUPPLY LIST CROSS PLAINS ELEMENTARY



PRE-KINDERGARTEN

- 2 Blue Pocket Folders
- 2 Bottles Glue 4 oz.
- 1 Pr. Fiskars Blunt-Tip Scissors
- 2 Boxes Crayola 8 ct. (Regular Size)
- 1 Pkg. Crayola Washable Markers 8 ct. (Thick)
- 1 Pkg. 12" X 18" Manila Paper (50 ct.)
- 2 Pkgs. 12" X 18" Colored Construction Paper (50 ct.)
- 1 Black Plastic Pocket Folder
- 2 Lg. Boxes Kleenex
- 2 Cans Play-Doh (Any Color)

KINDERGARTEN

- 4 #2 Pencils
- 1 Pkg. Crayons (24 ct.)
- 1 Pkg. Crayons (8 ct. small)
- 1 Pr. Blunt Fiskar Scissors (5")
- 1 Pkg. Crayola Washable Watercolors
- 1 Bottle Elmer's School Glue (8 oz.)
- 1 Bottle Elmer's School Glue (1.25 oz.)
- 1 Box Kleenex Tissue (175 ct.)
- 1 Lg. Plastic School Box
- 1 Pink Eraser
- 2 Pkgs. 9" X 12" Manila Paper (50 ct.)
- 1 Can Play-Doh (Any Color)
- 1 White Dry Erase Board (9" X 12")
- 1 Fine Tip Dry Erase Marker (Green)
- 6 Purple Pocket Folders
- 1 Hardback Vinyl Binder (1")
- 1 Crayola Markers 8 ct. (Thick)
- 1 Ream Writing Paper 3/4" Rule 8" X 10" (500 ct.)
- 1 Box 9" X 12" Asst. Construction Paper (50 ct.)
- 1 Pkg. 12" X 18" Asst. Construction Paper (50 ct.)

FIRST GRADE

- 6 Pencils (#2)
- 1 Pink Eraser
- 1 Box Crayons (24 ct.)
- 1 Box Small Crayons (8 ct.)
- 2 Glue Sticks
- 1 Pr. Fiskar Sharp Scissors (5")
- 1 Plastic School Box
- 1 Pkg. 12" X 18" Manila Paper (50 ct.)
- 2 Boxes Kleenex Tissue (175 ct.)
- 1 Green Poly Binder (1")
- 1 Red Poly Binder (1")
- 1 Red Checking Pencil (w/eraser)
- 1 Crayola Washable Watercolors
- 1 Writing Tablet 3/4 in. Ruling Red Baseline 9" X 12" (45 ct.)
- 2 Blue Pocket Folders
- 2 Pkgs. 9" X 12" Manila Paper (50 ct.)
- 1 Pkg. Crayola Classic Markers (Wide)
- 1 Pkg. 9" X 12" Asst. Construction Paper (50 ct.)
- 1 Pkg. 12" X 18" Asst. Construction Paper (50 ct.)
- 1 Bottle Glue (4 oz.)

SECOND GRADE

- 1 Pink Eraser
- 2 Boxes Crayons (24 ct.)
- 1 Pr. Sharp Fiskar Scissors (5")
- 1 Zippered Pencil Bag 8 1/2 X 11"
- 12 Pencils (#2)
- 4 Red Checking Pencils (w/Erasers)
- 1 Box Kleenex (100 ct.)
- 2 Wide Rule Filler Paper (200 ct.)
- 1 Crayola Washable Watercolors
- 1 Blue Plastic Pocket Folder
- 1 Red Plastic Pocket Folder
- 1 Yellow Plastic Pocket Folder
- 1 Pkg. 9" X 12" Manila Paper (50 ct.)
- 3 Elmer's Glue Sticks
- 1 Pkg. 9" X 12" Asst. Construction Paper (50 ct.)



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THIRD GRADE

- 1 Box Crayons (48 ct.)
- 12 Pencils (#2)
- 2 Spiral Notebooks Wide Rule (70 ct.)
- 2 Wide Rule Filler Paper (200 ct.)
- 4 Pockets & Brads Folders (Yellow, Orange, Green, & Blue)
- 2 Red Pens
- 1 Elmer's School Glue (8 oz.)
- 1 Pr. Sharp Fiskar Scissors (5")
- 1 Wooden Ruler
- 2 Pink Erasers
- 1 Pkg. 9" X 12" Manila Paper (50 ct.)
- 1 Box Kleenex (175 ct.)
- 1 Map Coloring Pencils 7 inch (8 ct.)
- 2 Plastic Pocket Folders (Red & Blue)
- 1 Pkg. 9" X 12" Asst. Construction Paper (50 ct.)



FOURTH GRADE

- 3 Pkgs. Wide Rule Filler Paper (200 ct.)
- 2 Pink Erasers
- 24 Pencils (#2)
- 1 Box Crayons (24 ct.)
- 3 Pocket Folders (Blue, Yellow & Green)
- 2 Highlighters (Yellow)
- 1 Plastic Ruler
- 1 Pencil Case
- 1 Pr. Blunt Fiskar Scissors (5")
- 8 Red Pens
- 1 Pkg. 12" X 18" Manila Paper (20 ct.)
- 1 Heavy 1.5" Poly Binder (Red)
- 1 Red Poly Pocket Folder
- 1 Elmer's School Glue (4 oz.)
- 1 Spiral Notebook Wide-Ruled (70 ct.)
- 1 Pkg. 7 inch Colored Map Pencils (12 ct.)

FIFTH GRADE

- 4 Poly Binders 1" (Red, Green, Blue & Yellow)
- 2 Pkgs. 5-Tab Index Dividers
- 1 Pkg. Wide Rule Filler Paper (200 ct.)
- 6 Pencils (#2)
- 1 Pink Eraser
- 4 Red Checking Pencils (w/Erasers)
- 1 Pr. Sharp Fiskar Scissors (5")
- 1 Wooden Ruler
- 1 Elmer's School Glue (8 oz.)
- 1 Box Crayons (24 ct.)
- 1 Washable Crayola Classic Markers (Thick)
- 1 Pkg. 7 inch Map Coloring Pencils (12 ct.)
- 1 Pencil Sharpener (w/Lid)
- 1 Box Kleenex
- 1 Pencil Case (Bank Bag Style)
- 1 Large Plastic School Box
- 1 Spiral Notebook Wide Ruled (70 ct.)

SIXTH GRADE

- 4 Pencils (#2)
- 1 Pink Eraser
- 1 Box Crayons (24 ct.)
- 1 Wooden Ruler
- 1 Pr. Sharp Fiskar Scissors (5")
- 1 Pkg. Wide Rule Filler Paper (200 ct.)
- 1 Box 4 inch Map Coloring Pencils (12 ct.)
- 1 Elmer's School Glue (8 oz.)
- 1 Pkg. 12" X 18" Manila Paper (50 ct.)
- 2 Poly Binders 1/2" (Red & Yellow)
- 1 Pencil Case 5.5 X 10.5
- 2 Spiral Notebooks Wide Rule (100 ct.)
- 2 Red Pens



Cross Plains Ex-Students Association HOMECOMING 2003

Come and join old friends and classmates and help us make this the best Homecoming ever.

The scheduled events for the weekend are as follows:

Tuesday, September 9, 2003

6:00 p.m. Community Hot Dog Supper

Friday, September 12, 2003

7:30 p.m. Pep Rally Football Field

9:00 p.m. Bonfire

Saturday, September 13, 2003

9:00-11:00a.m. Coffee & Registration Gymnasium Foyer

11:00-11:30 a.m. Business Meeting-Gymnasium

Classes Sectioned by Decades
Announcement of Coming Home King & Queen

11:30 Lunch in Lunchroom Sponsored by the Band Boosters

2:00 p.m. Parade Downtown (Coming Home King & Queen will be Honored)

3:30 p.m. Class Meetings

8:00 p.m. FOOTBALL GAME

CROSS PLAINS vs HAWLEY

9:00 p.m. Dance (Behind Treadway Park Weather Permitting)

Please indicate your King and Queen nominations from the 20'-90's on your registration. We will announce this during the business meeting.

Ex-Student Association:

Jackie Thomas, President	254-725-6436
Bobby Vaught, Vice President	325-784-6278
Debbie Tyler Reed, Secretary/Treasurer	254-725-7363
Doris Rouse Goble, Invitations	254-725-6534
Dannes Dickson Turner, Registration	254-725-7755
Susan McNeel and Roxie McConal Thomas, Parade	254-725-6498 725-6436
	(Deadline 9-10-03)
Charlou Richardson Cowan, Class Meetings	254-725-6123
Terry Jane McWilliams Wyatt, Coronation	254-725-7762
Kelli Hargrove Hyles, Dance Chairman	254-725-7307
Vanda Anderson Creech, Publicity	254-643-1718

There is a lot of hard work and planning involved in this weekend.

We do it for YOU. YOU will be missed if you do not attend.

Please return your registration if you plan to attend
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Dannes Dickson Turner, P. O. Box 323, Cross Plains, Texas 76443
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Annual 4-H Awards Banquet Set for August 9th in Clyde

Stenholm Votes to Keep Head Start Program Strong

The 2003 Callahan County 4-H Awards Banquet will be held Saturday, August 9th, at 7:00 p.m. at the Clyde Intermediate School Cafeteria which is located off I-20 and Hayes Road. All 4-H families that will be attending are asked to RSVP to the County Extension Office by August 1st and let us know how many will be attending and

which project each 4-H member completed.

The Annual Banquet give us the opportunity to come together and celebrate the accomplishments of our 4-Her's over the past year. Remember to RSVP by August 1st. Hope to see you at the banquet!!

Submitted by Robert Pritz, County Extension Agent-Ag

Washington, D.C.—Congressman Charlie Stenholm (D-TX-17th District) voted to maintain the strength of Head Start, the proven early-education program for disadvantaged American children, during consideration by the U.S. House of Representatives early Friday morning.

Stenholm voted against H.R. 2210, legislation that would lead to weaker educational standards and begin to dismantle the Head Start program that has served more than 20 million children

and families. However, the House of Representatives approved the legislation by the slim margin of 217 to 216.

"Local Head Start schools currently receive funding directly from the federal government," Stenholm said. "It is up to these local schools to decide how best to spend their federal funds, within certain federal guidelines."

Under H.R. 2210, states would control funding without adhering to the federal academic and social service standards that have made Head Start so successful over the years.

"The bill that was approved by the House of Representatives in the middle of the night would allow states to intervene—and even take funds away from—a program that is driven by local, community needs at this time," Stenholm said.

It now is up to the U.S. Senate to consider this matter.

Miss West Texas Fair & Rodeo Queen, Teen Queen applicants sought

Entry forms are available at the offices of the West Texas Fair & Rodeo for young ladies interested in the 2003 Miss West Texas Fair & Rodeo Queen and Teen Queen Pageant. The pageant dates are September 5th - 7th, 2003. Entries must be received in the West Texas Fair & Rodeo Office by 5:00 p.m., August 8th.

Winners will reign over the 2003 West Texas Fair & Rodeo PRCR Rodeo September 9th - 13th. The winners will also represent the West Texas Fair & Rodeo at various other rodeos, parades and other activities in the West Texas area during the year. The winners will also be eligible to compete in the Miss Rodeo Texas

Pageant held in San Antonio, Texas in June of 2004.

Age limits for the "Miss" division are 19 - 24 years of age and for the "Teen" division they are 14 - 18.

Entrants will be judged in three categories: Horsemanship, Western Attire and Personality. We are looking for talented young ladies who will represent the West Texas Fair & Rodeo well.

Entrants must live within a one hundred mile radius of Abilene.

Call the West Texas Fair & Rodeo Office at (325) 677-4376 for entry forms or they may be picked up at 1700 Hwy. 36, Abilene, Texas.

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2003 Property Tax Rates in CALLAHAN COUNTY

This notice concerns 2003 property tax rates for CALLAHAN COUNTY. It presents information about three tax rates. Last year's tax rate is the actual rate the taxing unit used to determine property taxes last year. This year's effective tax rate would impose the same total taxes as last year if you compare properties taxed in both years. This year's rollback tax rate is the highest tax rate the taxing unit can set before taxpayers can start tax rollback procedures. In each case these rates are found by dividing the total amount of taxes by the tax base (the total value of taxable property) with adjustments as required by state law. The rates are given per \$100 of property value.

Last year's tax rate:	General Fund	Farm to Market/ Flood Control
Fund		
Last year's operating taxes	\$1,026,475	\$327,726
Last year's debt taxes	\$0	\$0
Last year's total taxes	\$1,026,475	\$327,726
Last year's tax base	\$306,666,766	\$298,203,822
Last year's total tax rate	0.33472/\$100	0.10990/\$100
This year's effective tax rate:		
Last year's adjusted taxes (after subtracting taxes on lost property)	\$1,013,299	\$323,191
+ This year's adjusted tax base (after subtracting value of new property)	\$308,942,681	\$299,913,351
= This year's effective tax rate for each fund	0.32798/\$100	0.10776/\$100
Total effective tax rate	0.43574/\$100	
x 1.03=maximum rate unless unit publishes notices and holds hearing	0.44881/\$100	
This year's rollback tax rate:		
Last year's adjusted operating taxes (after subtracting taxes on lost property and adjusting for any transferred function tax increment financing, state criminal justice mandate, and/or enhanced indigent health care expenditures)	\$1,013,299	\$323,191
+ This year's adjusted tax base	\$308,942,681	\$299,913,351
= This year's effective operating rate	0.32798/\$100	0.10776/\$100
x 1.08 = this year's maximum operating rate	0.35421/\$100	0.11638/\$100
+ This year's debt rate	0.00000/\$100	0.00000/\$100
= This year's rollback rate for each fund	0.35421/\$100	0.11638/\$100
This year's total rollback rate	0.47059/\$100	

Statement of Increase/Decrease

If CALLAHAN COUNTY adopts a 2003 tax rate equal to the effective tax rate of \$0.43574 per \$100 of value, taxes would increase compared to 2002 taxes by \$1,681.

Schedule A: General Fund

Unencumbered Fund Balances

The following estimated balances will be left in the unit's property tax accounts at the end of the fiscal year. These balances are not encumbered by a corresponding debt obligation.

Type of Property Tax Fund	Balance			
Schedule B: General Fund				
2003 Debt Service				
The unit plans to pay the following amounts for long-term debts that are secured by property taxes. These amounts will be paid from property tax revenues (or additional sales tax revenues, if applicable).				
Principal or Contract Payment Description of Debt	Interest to be Paid from Property Taxes	Other Property Taxes	Amounts to be Paid	Total Payment
Total required for Debt Service			\$0	\$0
- Amount (if any) paid from funds listed in Schedule A			\$0	\$0
- Amount (if any) paid from other resources			\$0	\$0
- Excess collections last year			\$0	\$0
= Total to be paid from taxes in 2003			\$0	\$0
+ Amount added in anticipation that the unit will collect only 95.00% of its taxes in 2003			\$0	\$0
= Total debt levy			\$0	\$0

Schedule A: Farm to Market/Flood Control Fund

Unencumbered Fund Balances

The following estimated balances will be left in the unit's property tax accounts at the end of the fiscal year. These balances are not encumbered by a corresponding debt obligation.

Type of Property Tax Fund	Balance			
Schedule B: Farm to Market/Flood Control Fund				
2003 Debt Service				
The unit plans to pay the following amounts for long-term debts that are secured by property taxes. These amounts will be paid from property tax revenues (or additional sales tax revenues, if applicable).				
Principal or Contract Payment Description of Debt	Interest to be Paid from Property Taxes	Other Property Taxes	Amounts to be Paid	Total Payment
Total required for Debt Service			\$0	\$0
- Amount (if any) paid from funds listed in Schedule A			\$0	\$0
- Amount (if any) paid from other resources			\$0	\$0
- Excess collections last year			\$0	\$0
= Total to be paid from taxes in 2003			\$0	\$0
+ Amount added in anticipation that the unit will collect only 95.00% of its taxes in 2003			\$0	\$0
= Total debt levy			\$0	\$0

This notice contains a summary of actual effective and rollback tax rates' calculations. You can inspect a copy of the full calculations at 132 West 4th St., Baird, Texas 79504.

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Stenholm supports protecting veterans' health care

WASHINGTON, D.C.—Congressman Charlie Stenholm (D-TX-17th District) has announced his support of H.R. 2808, bipartisan legislation that would give Congress oversight of the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs' (VA) proposal to shift resources, possibly resulting in the reduction of beds and the closure of facilities. Stenholm joins a diverse group of more than 120 lawmakers who support this legislation.

"I want to make sure that veterans in West Texas get the health care they deserve," Stenholm said. "Certainly, the VA needs to take a hard look at making some reforms, but it is important that members of Congress have opportunities to review any plans which would drastically change the care available to veterans."

The VA is scheduled to implement its Capital Asset Realignment for Enhanced Services (CARES) planning initiative later this year. Currently, Congress has only a small role in the CARES effort, even though its recommendations would affect veterans' health care throughout the country.

H.R. 2808 would give Congress a 60-day period to review recommendations made by the CARES initiative. During the review period, the VA would be banned from moving ahead with any plans to eliminate beds or facilities.

H.R. 2808 was introduced in the House of Representatives by Kansas Congressman Dennis Moore. The CARES initiative is a nine-step program that aims to modernize the VA health care system.

Senator Cornyn accepting applications for internship program

WASHINGTON, D.C.—Applications for the fall internship program in U.S. Sen. Cornyn's Washington, D.C. and Texas offices continue to arrive, and he wants to make sure that all Texas college students interested in participating have the opportunity to apply. The application deadline is August 1.

"I encourage all eligible students interested in government and public service to apply for the internship program in my office," Cornyn said. "This internship is a great way for young people to learn firsthand how the Senate and federal government work and will provide them an experience that will last a lifetime."

Interns work closely with all aspects of the Senate office.

They also have the opportunity to attend seminars, lectures and Congressional hearings.

All Texas undergraduate students are encouraged to apply for the internship. Candidates must have graduated from high school, completed at least one semester of college classes, and have at least one semester of course work remaining before they obtain their undergraduate degree.

For internships in Sen. Cornyn's Washington or Texas offices, interested students should contact Spencer Chambers at 202-224-2934. For more information or to download an application, visit Sen. Cornyn's website at <http://cornyn.senate.gov/internships.html>.

Benefit Dinner for Crisis Pregnancy Center set for Saturday

If you have ever seen the panic in the eyes of an unwed, pregnant teenager, or if you have ever witnessed the devastation and despair brought to the family of a pregnant teenage girl, then you will want to be involved in doing something about it.

Promise Helpers Women's Ministry invites you to a dinner to hear about a dream for The Haven, a place where pregnant teenage girls can find support, mentoring, and Biblically based counseling. You will be saddened by the statistics, but you will be filled with joy that there can be a place of assistance, hope and healing for these girls facing difficult life choices.

We have an opportunity right

now to purchase a piece of property that would be an excellent location for this center. But we have to move fast and we need your help. Would you consider making a gift to be used to acquire this property and begin to make this dream come true? Your tax deductible gift will make it possible for us to touch the lives of dozens of pregnant girls and, through them, generations of other children.

Please join them for dinner on August 2, 2003 at 7:30 p.m. at the First Baptist Church Christian Life Center, S. 2nd & Austin, in Clyde. Dress casually. Call for reservations or more information call (325)893-3777.

A Tribute To Clara Nell From Teri Coburn:

Clara Nell McDermett, that is who she will always be to me, a branch of a sturdy tree she was so very proud to be connected to. She took stock in who she was and who her family was and is. The historian, she had such class and charm...the grandmother I had lost many years before.

Never an unkind word did she pass to me, even as a child growing up with some difficult things going on in my life. Offering a smile and an encouraging word during the wild time of my youth. She never criticized me, only loved me, for that...she will always live in my heart.

There were many stories, from home and school...the fear of being fired for letting four young boys { Wayne Bishop, Mark McCowen, Jim Whitton and James Wilson } show their creativity by setting off a volcano that released the rotten egg smell of sulfur into the halls of the school. The school had to be evacuated. She was not fired, maybe because one of the students belonged to the Superintendent. She taught school with flair, she saw the need for creativity and individuality that was not in the curriculum...she was always encouraging children to fulfill their dreams.

There were family stories I loved...the best, for me was the picture she painted of my grandmother Clara Coburn, a warm gentle one. Kate was feisty and stubborn, Emily gray beautiful, Carlos good hearted...she could go on forever. She laughed about Kate getting mad at Charles and Keith for drinking her cold water in the refrigerator.

She had a great love for her 3 children, her sister, brother, and her grandsons.

Today as I set and think of this beautiful soul, my heart is heavy, but my mind is full. Full of wonderful moments I was graced with by spending time with her. The infectious laugh, the glorious smile...and her statuesque beauty.

When I think of Clara Nell today, I think of that warm breeze that glances across your face on a cold day, that gentle wind that seems to wrap you in love, that star that is so bright you feel you can touch it and that place in my heart only for her...filled with her love.

I will miss her, but she will never leave me...I know she is with me now.

To all the friends she touched...thank you, to Joyce for sticking with us and to Connie and her family...for never fading away.

May we all keep a small piece of Clara Nell with us at all times....it will give us strength, love and class.



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Pioneer Cemetery 6-Month Report

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Mrs. Shirley Faulkner Johnson, \$100.00; James H Brown, \$100.00; M/M Paul Sonneburg I/M of Juanita Umberson, \$15.00; Mrs. Bessie Coppinger I/M of Mrs. Lucille Harris, \$300.00; Johnie/Macy Boyles, \$25.00; M/M Jim Fleming and Jerry Fleming I/M of parents, relatives and friends, \$50.00; M/M Don Nelson I/M of James Cloud, DESIGNATED

Burial Permits:

George Spalding, \$100.00; Lucille Harris, \$100.00; Dorothy J. Marshall, \$100.00; Bulah Williams, \$100.00; **TOTAL BURIAL PERMITS - \$400**

Interest from CD, \$1,271.5; Interest Money Market, \$76.49 Total Interest Income, \$1,348.02

TOTAL INCOME FROM INTEREST, BURIAL PERMITS & GIFTS, \$3,858.02

Discount \$40.00 from Hutton Rental for Skid Steer to haul dirt.

BUILDING FUND DESIGNATED:

M/M Dick Grider, \$20.00; Mrs. Viola Hudson, \$100.00; Pioneer Pentecostal Church, \$50.00; Dennis J. Brown, \$50.00; Jim and Charlene Fleming, \$50.00; Tom and Winnie Flippin Estate, \$400.00; Mack Flippin, \$100.00; Tomas and Wanda F. Flippin, \$500.00; Rosa Melton, \$10.00; Cowan and Laverne Hutton, \$100.00; **TOTAL BUILDING FUND, \$1,380.00.**

TOTAL GATE FUND, \$100.00

TOTAL DESIGNATED HISTORICAL MARKER, \$425;

Submitted by, Jo Veda Fleming Watson Secretary/Treasurer HC 30 Post 75 Box 11 Brownwood, TX 76801

Producer Field Day set for August 7

A Helicopter Herbicide Application demonstration worth 2 CEU hours is set for August 7th, 2003 at the James Snyder Ranch north of Baird. Any producers wishing to get more information on the use of helicopters in herbicide applications are invited to come watch this demonstration.

The program will get started with a welcome and introductions by Tony Baeza, Range Management Specialist-NRCS. Mike Savage and Jeff Nelson of Dow Agrosciences will follow with a herbicide product overview. Prior to an actual demonstration, Bob Ewing with North Star Helicopters will then give a short presentation on Aerial Application. Following the demonstration, Walco International, Dow Agrosciences and North Star Helicopters will sponsor lunch where there will be a question and answer session. Dr. Charles Hart, Extension Range Specialist will be on hand to wrap up the presentation and make final remarks.

Producers wishing to attend are asked to RSVP by August 1st to the NRCS office in Albany at (325) 762-2552 to help with an accurate count for lunch.

Robert Pritz
County Extension Agent-Ag

Supporters of Meals on Wheels Thanked

The Callahan County Meals On Wheels program would like to offer special thanks to the following supporters:

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Angus Turner

Tennis

Company about being a sales rep for their stringing supplies. There was no job at that level, but the sales manager said she was putting together the American component of the International Stringing Team that would do all of the work at the Wimbledon and would like to consider him for a part of the team.

Shortly after submitting his resume, he had the gig. "My first reaction was disbelief!" said Stephenson, a certified master racquet technician. "I couldn't believe that I was chosen to go. I never thought I would ever get a chance to attend a Grand Slam, let alone string at one."

But string he did—along with the best stringers from England, Japan, Scotland, Spain and the other two from the USA. Working in 12 hour shifts, the team

shared techniques and "tricks of the trade" as they strung racquets for high profile names like Serena, Venus, Kuerten, Bryan brothers, Federer and Dementieva.

Although most of the big name players have personal stringers, Stephenson managed to see most of them practicing. Snapping pictures at every opportunity, he laughed that he just missed getting his own picture taken with Andre Agassi.

And in those early days at the Village Market, Agassi was his tennis idol. Much as Stephenson has seen the game change, Agassi is still high on his list of all time greats. And there is always next year—Randy has already been invited back to the Team and who knows, he may get that picture after all.



FARM SERVICE AGENCY HONORED—Several State Commodity Groups presented the Texas Farm Service Agency with an award recognizing the Agency for timely and efficient

implementation of the 2002 Farm Security and Rural Investment Act Programs. Individuals pictured from L-R (in front with plaque) are: Jerry D. Harris, Chair, Texas FSA State

Committee, John T. Fuston, State Executive Director, Texas FSA Kelly Lindsey, President, Texas Association of FSA County Office Employees (TASCOE).

Texas Farm Service Agency employees recognized with award

College Station, Texas—July 16, 2003 -- The state's leading agricultural commodity groups have presented Texas Farm Service Agency (FSA) employees with an award recognizing the agency for timely and efficient implementation of 2002 Farm Security and Rural Investment Act programs.

"We want to recognize Texas FSA employees for their commitment to delivering new federal farm programs to our producers," said David Gibson, Executive Director for the Texas Corn Producers Board. "We feel FSA has an active State Committee and we also recognize the key leadership role of John Fuston, [State Executive Director for Texas FSA]. Most of all, we want all employees from the county to the state level to know that we appreciate their efforts."

According to Dale Artho, a board member of the Texas Grain Sorghum Association, the award presentation was a joint effort by Texas Cotton Producers, Inc., Texas Corn Producers Board, Texas Grain Sorghum Association and Texas Wheat Producers Association, to recognize Texas FSA employees for insuring all

eligible producers across the state are able to maximize their farm program benefits.

To date, the collective efforts of FSA's 870 County Office employees has resulted in delivery of \$899 million in federal farm program benefits to Texas farmers and ranchers since the Farm Bill legislation passed in May of 2002.

FSA's Fuston said, "Over the years FSA has become a stronger service organization because of the valued relationships developed among the commodity groups." Fuston added he hopes the relationships continue to grow and enhance the effectiveness of the agency in the future.

According to Gibson and other commodity representatives, Texas FSA employees have consistently provided quality service to the state's producers despite a decreased work force and increased work load generated by the Farm Bill.

Texas FSA's accomplishments are significant because the new farm legislation requires producers to make business decisions that will financially impact their operations for the

next six years.

In the first phase of farm bill implementation, Texas FSA successfully processed 119,459 farms during the six-month Direct and Counter-cyclical Program (DCP) sign-up which ended in April of this year. The new DCP provisions allowed producers to update their bases and yields for the first time since 1985—providing an opportunity for farm program payments to reflect improvements in farming practices and advancements in related technology.

"To my knowledge, this is the first time we've presented an award of this type, but the new Farm Bill is more complicated than the previous, and Texas FSA is to be commended for the efficient and professional manner in which they deliver farm programs to the state's producers," said Artho.

Texas FSA received this honor in Richardson on June 28, 2003 at the annual convention of the Texas Association of FSA County Office Employees (TASCOE).

For more information on FSA programs, visit their national Web site at <http://www.fsa.usda.gov>.

Abilene Quilters Guild to meet August 11

The Abilene Quilters Guild will meet Monday, August 11, 2003 at Wylie United Methodist Church, located at 3130 Antilley Road, in Abilene.

The meeting will begin at 6:45 p.m. with a meet and greet and the program will start at 7:00 p.m.

This month's program is "Organizing Your Time And Space." The program this month will be presented by Vickie Vogel, of La Grange, Texas.

Mrs. Vogel was born in Dallas attended the University of Houston with majors in Political Science and French and a minor in education. After graduating Magna Cum Laude, she taught school in Houston while pursuing a master's degree in Political Science, and then received a Doctor of Jurisprudence from Texas Southern University.

Vickie learned to quilt from her grandmother when she was a little girl and became re-interested in the late 1970's. Cur-

rently, she designs paper-foundation miniature patterns for Patchwork Plus, teaches, lectures, and gives workshops throughout Texas and Colorado. Her quilts have won awards at shows in Dallas, Victoria, La Grange, Schulenburg, Giddings, and Killeen. She is a "recovering attorney" who belongs to the Colorado Valley Quilt Guild (Past President), Quilter's Guild of Dallas, and the Scrappy Ladies Quilt Guild of Walsenburg, Colorado.

Vickie and her husband, David, live in the country near La Grange with their three dogs and two cats. Jackie Asbill (Patchwork Plus) is her sister and Kristi Grigsby (The Quilters Cottage) is her niece, so quilting is very much a family activity.

Visitors are always welcome to attend any meeting of the Abilene Quilt Guild. For more information contact Lori Oglesby at 325-690-1453.

School Supplies Are Now In

PTO will have your school supplies ready for pick up August 11th between 9:00 a.m. and 12:00

noon and 1:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. at the Cross Plains Elementary building.

2003 sales tax holiday this weekend

AUSTIN—Shoppers can stock up on clothes and shoes without paying sales tax this weekend, August 1-3, Texas Comptroller Carole Keeton Strayhorn announced.

"I love the Sales Tax Holiday. It's the one time where hard-working Texas families get to keep more of their dollars in their pockets for their families' priorities. The fifth annual Sales Tax Holiday will be held the first Friday, Saturday and Sunday of August," Strayhorn said. "During the Sales Tax Holiday most clothes and shoes priced under \$100 are exempt from state and local sales taxes."

Strayhorn estimates Texans will save \$43.8 million in sales tax, including \$34.6 million in state sales tax and \$9.2 million in local sales taxes.

Examples of items that can be purchased tax-free August 1-3 include kids' clothes and school uniforms, adults' clothes and work uniforms, shoes, tennis shoes, sleepwear and underclothes for the entire family, as long as the items are priced under \$100 each.

Strayhorn has repeatedly called on the Legislature to add backpacks, school supplies and safety gear for Texas children to the Tax Exempt list; they have failed to do so.

Items that cannot be purchased tax-free include handbags, wallets, jewelry, accessories, athletic shoes and sports apparel that are not normally street wear, backpacks and school supplies. Since the first Sales Tax Holiday in 1999, the annual three-day event has saved Texans an estimated \$150.2 million in sales tax, including \$118.5 million in state sales tax and \$31.7 million in local sales tax.

"During these tough economic times, I believe Texas families will once again take full advantage of this well-deserved tax break to make their dollars go farther," Strayhorn said.

For more information about the Sales Tax Holiday, including a list of tax-exempt and non-exempt items, visit the Comptroller's Web site at http://www.window.state.tx.us/taxinfo/taxpubs/tx96_237_2_03.html#holiday,

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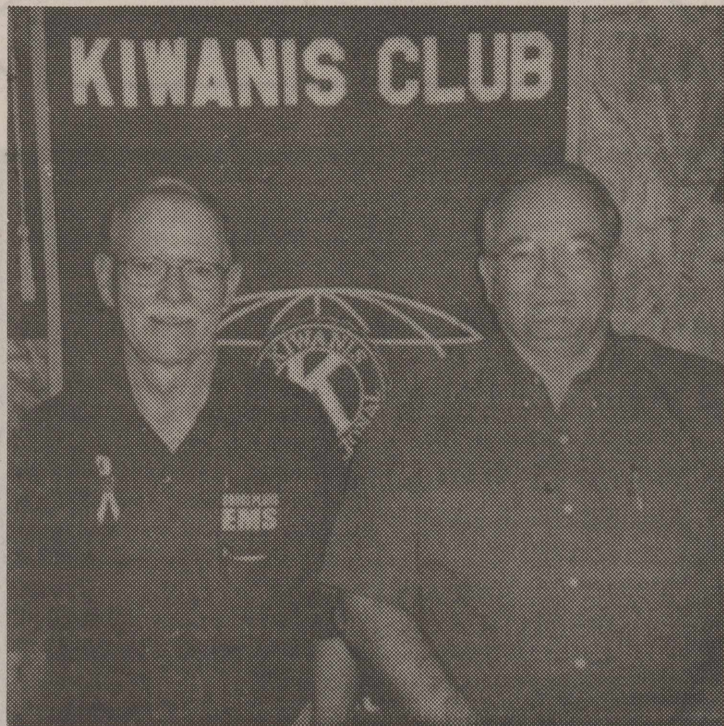
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KIWANIS MEMBERS HEAR FROM C.P. HIGH SCHOOL PRINCIPAL—New Cross Plains High School Principal, Jimmie Cearley, was guest of Bob Pipes at the Kiwanis Club's regular meeting on Tuesday, July 22nd. The club members were very appreciative of Mr. Cearley's philosophy of education and his ideals for Cross Plains High. He has previously taught Ag Science at Paint Creek, Cisco, and Gustine, and has served as High School Principal at Munday and Graford before coming to the Cross Plains I.S.D. A graduate of Stamford High School, then Cisco Junior College, Mr. Cearley received his Bachelor of Science and Master's Degrees at Tarleton State University. The Kiwanians encourage all who live in the Cross Plains area to warmly welcome Jimmie Cearley and his wife Brenda. (Brenda teaches 2nd grade at Cisco.) (Submitted by Bob Pipes)



Johnny Dee & Rocket 88's to play at Sonic & Rehab Birthday Party

The West Texas Rehabilitation Center and Sonic Drive-In have teamed up for an anniversary birthday celebration for both organizations and August 8th, 2003 is the date for both events!

Others helping to support the day's events include Coca-Cola, Dr. Pepper, Snowwhite Bakery, 95 K-NICE/96Q and MIX 98.

The celebration will include 2 events: Rehab Celebrity Day at Sonic.

Abilene celebrities will be serving customers with tips going to support the Rehab "Back to the 50's" Night.

A free admission show with Johnny Dee and the Rocket 88's.

Other highlights include: Cake cutting ceremony during opening ceremonies, Dance Contest, Costume Contest, Classic Car Display and Door Prizes.

Rehab Celebrity Day at Sonic will be from 11:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. at the following Sonic locations, Judge Ely, South Clack and North 1st streets in Abilene.

Back to the 50's Night will be in the West Texas Rehab Center's back parking lot. The Center is located at 4601 Hartford and guests should enter from the campus' west side off Bowie Street.

The gate opens at 7:00 p.m. Opening Ceremonies begin at 7:30 p.m.

Johnny D. and the Rocket 88's will play at 8:00 p.m.

There is no admission charge but you should bring your lawn chairs.

1950's Attire should worn by those participating in the costume contest.

Rehab Donation Opportunity Available.

Happy Birthday!

- AUGUST 2**
Lee Ann Burleson
Coby Wayne Kelly
Sharon Newman
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Jerry Bennett
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Sabrenia Hutchins
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- AUGUST 3**
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Donald Ingram
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- AUGUST 4**
Carroll Rhodes
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Loula Smith
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Gaynelle Baum
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Charlie Ross
Susan Porter
- AUGUST 6**
Nikki (Beggs) Higgins
Jess Watkins
Alica Doreen Shields
Tammy Brown
Albert (Butch) Wilson
Gary Gilland
Charlotte (Letney) Townson
- AUGUST 7**
Michael Hogrell
Rev. John Harper
Larry Boyles
Martha Davis
Wanda Duncan
Walter Graham
Joe Hennesay
Ronald Todd Jordan
Fred Magnus
Luis Fernando
Bryan Switzer
Luis Monreal
Damon Gage Preston
- AUGUST 8**
John David Edwards
Chance Ray Watson
Mrs. Elvis Scott
Bill Wood
Carol Region
Shirley (Walker) Grant
Marlinda Wilson
Deanna Strickland
Linda Payne
Krista Phillips
Mrs. Freddy Thate
Virgie Baugh
Dewitt Simons
David Switzer
Mike Kelley
Cecil Rudloff
Whitney Brienne Clark

One case of sleeping sickness found in horse north of Baird

A case of Western Equine Encephalomyelitis (WEE) has been found in a horse in Callahan County, just north of Baird. WEE is a viral encephalitis that is spread by mosquitoes and can infect both horses and humans. It is in the same family of viral diseases as Eastern Equine Encephalomyelitis (EEE) and West Nile Virus. All of these diseases can infect horses in this area.

These three viral diseases are often referred to as "sleeping sickness." They cause infected horses to develop a debilitating fever, swelling of the brain, muscle tremors, weakness and extreme fatigue. Infected horses can often be successfully treated if initiated early in the course of the disease, but approximately 30% of infected horses will die despite prompt treatment.

It has been several years since a case of WEE or EEE has been diagnosed in Callahan County, but both of these viruses seem to be on the increase in Texas this year. Since they are spread by mosquitoes, measures to reduce the mosquito population are recommended. There are vaccines available for the prevention of EEE, WEE, and West Nile Virus and it is recommended that horses be vaccinated yearly, preferably before mosquito season begins.

Power Day August 16th at Dyess AFB

The Dyess Air Force Base Big Country Air Power Day is Saturday, August 16. Gates open to the public at 9:30 a.m.

The numerous aircraft aerobatics and ground demonstrations promise something for everyone.

PUBLIC NOTICE
BRIEF EXPLANATORY STATEMENTS OF PROPOSED CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS
SPECIAL ELECTION
SEPTEMBER 13, 2003

CEU session at Abilene Civic Center Monday

A CEU session will be offered August 4, 9:30 a.m. at the Abilene Civic Center. The session is sponsored by the Texas Department of Agriculture and the Taylor County Extension office. Two Laws & Regulations CEUs will be offered to persons holding a TDA private applicators license. The seminar will fulfill the laws and regulations requirement for license recertification.

The seminar is free and open to any persons holding a private applicator's license through Texas Department of Agriculture. The conference is in addition to the R.A.W.H.I.D.E. Symposium which begins at 1:30 p.m. at the same location. Applicants are not required to be registered for the R.A.W.H.I.D.E. program to attend the morning CEU session.

For additional information, contact the Taylor County Extension office at 325-672-6048.

Individuals with disabilities who require auxiliary aid or accommodation are asked to contact the Taylor County Extension office one week in advance of the program.

Callahan County DPS Report

Calls received by the Callahan County Department of Public Safety from July 20, 2003 through July 26, 2003 include:

Cases Investigated
Warnings—66
Complaints—71
DWI—1
Unauthorized Use of Motor Vehicle—1
Theft-Less than \$50—1
Vehicle Accidents

There were two vehicle accidents investigated during this time span.

PROPOSITION 1 (HJR 68, Section 1)

HJR 68, Section 1 would authorize the Veterans' Land Board to use excess receipts in the Veterans' Land and Veterans' Housing Assistance funds for payment of revenue bonds, and use excess assets in those funds to provide veterans homes.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment authorizing the Veterans' Land Board to use assets in certain veterans' land and veterans' housing assistance funds to provide veterans homes for the aged or infirm and to make principal, interest, and bond enhancement payments on revenue bonds."

PROPOSITION 2 (HJR 51)

HJR 51 would expand from six months to two years the period in which the former owner of a mineral interest that was sold for unpaid property taxes may buy back the mineral interest.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment to establish a two-year period for the redemption of a mineral interest sold for unpaid ad valorem taxes at a tax sale."

PROPOSITION 3 (HJR 55)

HJR 55 would authorize the legislature to exempt from taxation land owned by a religious organization that is leased for use as a school or that will be used to expand or construct a place of religious worship that yields no revenue.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment to authorize the legislature to exempt from ad valorem taxation property owned by a religious organization that is leased for use as a school or that is owned with the intent of expanding or constructing a religious facility."

PROPOSITION 4 (SJR 30)

SJR 30 would authorize the legislature to allow conservation and reclamation districts to use taxes to develop and finance certain parks and recreation facilities. Also, the amendment would authorize the legislature to allow local elections for the issuance of bonds to improve and maintain parks and recreational facilities in the Tarrant Regional Water District or a conservation and reclamation district located in whole or in part in Bastrop, Bexar, Brazoria, Fort Bend, Galveston, Harris, Montgomery, Tarrant, Travis, Waller or Williamson County.

The proposition will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment relating to the provision of parks and recreational facilities by certain conservation and reclamation districts."

PROPOSITION 5 (SJR 25)

SJR 25 would authorize the legislature to exempt from all property taxes certain tangible personal property, which could include a travel trailer not substantially affixed to real estate and not used as a residential dwelling.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment to authorize the legislature to exempt from ad valorem taxation travel trailers not held or used for the production of income."

PROPOSITION 6 (HJR 23)

HJR 23 would authorize a qualified homeowner to refinance a home equity loan with a reverse mortgage loan.

The proposition will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment permitting refinancing of a home equity loan with a reverse mortgage."

PROPOSITION 7 (HJR 44)

HJR 44 would reduce the number of persons who make up the jury in a district court criminal misdemeanor case from twelve to six.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment to permit a six-person jury in a district court misdemeanor trial."

PROPOSITION 8 (HJR 62)

HJR 62 would authorize the legislature to permit a person to assume office without an election if the person is the only candidate to qualify in an election for that office and the election is required by the Texas Constitution. This proposition applies to state and local political subdivisions, whereas Proposition 18 applies only to local political subdivisions.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment authorizing the legislature to permit a person to take office without an election if the person is the only candidate to qualify in an election for that office."

PROPOSITION 9 (HJR 68, Section 2)

HJR 68, Section 2 would redefine the com-

position of the permanent and available school funds by requiring during the next two fiscal years, and authorizing thereafter, annual distributions to the available school fund of a percentage of any increase in the value of the permanent school fund's total investment assets.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment relating to the use of income and appreciation of the permanent school fund."

PROPOSITION 10 (HJR 61)

HJR 61 would authorize municipalities to donate surplus fire-fighting equipment, supplies, or materials to the Texas Forest Service, which would be authorized to distribute based on need the equipment to rural volunteer fire departments.

The proposition will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment authorizing municipalities to donate surplus fire-fighting equipment or supplies for the benefit of rural volunteer fire departments."

PROPOSITION 11 (HJR 85)

HJR 85 would authorize the legislature to regulate the operation of wineries in Texas, regardless of whether a winery is located in an area in which the sale of wine has been authorized by local option election.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "A constitutional amendment to allow the legislature to enact laws authorizing and governing the operation of wineries in this state."

PROPOSITION 12 (HJR 3)

HJR 3 would immediately authorize the Legislature to limit non-economic damages assessed against a provider of medical or health care and, after January 1, 2005, to limit awards in all other types of cases.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment concerning civil lawsuits against doctors and health care providers, and other actions, authorizing the legislature to determine limitations on non-economic damages."

PROPOSITION 13 (HJR 16)

HJR 16 would authorize a county, city, town, and junior college district to freeze property taxes on a residential homestead of a person who is disabled or aged 65 or older.

The proposition will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment to permit counties, cities and towns, and junior college districts to establish an ad valorem tax freeze on residence homesteads of the disabled and of the elderly and their spouses."

PROPOSITION 14 (HJR 28)

HJR 28 would authorize the Texas Department of Transportation to issue

notes or borrow money to fund highway improvement projects. The terms of the notes or loans may not exceed two years. The proposition will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment providing for authorization of the issuing of notes or the borrowing of money on a short-term basis by a state transportation agency for transportation-related projects, and the issuance of bonds and other public securities secured by the state highway fund."

PROPOSITION 15 (HJR 54)

HJR 54 would prohibit a local retirement system and the political subdivision that finances the retirement system from reducing or otherwise impairing certain accrued benefits under the local retirement system.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The Constitutional amendment providing that certain benefits under certain local public retirement systems may not be reduced or impaired."

PROPOSITION 16 (SJR 42)

SJR 42 would amend the Texas Constitution to allow home equity lines of credit and allow refinancing of a home equity loan with a reverse mortgage loan.

The proposition will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment authorizing a home equity line of credit, providing for administrative interpretation of home equity lending law, and otherwise relating to the making, refinancing, repayment, and enforcement of home equity loans."

PROPOSITION 17 (HJR 21)

HJR 21 would prohibit an increase in school property taxes on residence homesteads of disabled persons.

The proposition will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment to prohibit an increase in the total amount of school district ad valorem taxes that may be imposed on the residence homestead of a disabled person."

PROPOSITION 18 (HJR 59)

HJR 59 would authorize the legislature to permit a person to assume an office of a political subdivision without an election if the person is the only candidate to qualify in an election for that office and the election is required by the Texas Constitution. This proposition applies only to local political subdivisions, whereas Proposition 8 applies to state and local political subdivisions.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment authorizing the legislature to permit a person to assume an office of a political subdivision without an election if the person is the only candidate to qualify in an election for that office."

PROPOSITION 19 (SJR 45)

SJR 45 would repeal the legislature's

authority to create rural fire prevention districts. Effective September 1, 2003, all existing rural fire prevention districts will convert to emergency services districts.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment to repeal the authority of the legislature to provide for the creation of rural fire prevention districts."

PROPOSITION 20 (SJR 55)

SJR 55 would authorize the issuance of general obligation bonds in a total amount not to exceed \$250 million that will be used to provide loans for economic development projects that benefit defense-related communities in Texas.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment authorizing the issuance of general obligation bonds or notes not to exceed \$250 million payable from the general revenues of the state to provide loans to defense-related communities, that will be repaid by the defense-related community, for economic development projects, including projects that enhance the military value of military installations."

PROPOSITION 21 (SJR 19)

SJR 19 would authorize current and retired faculty members of a public institution of higher education to receive compensation for service as a member of the governing body of a water district.

The proposition will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment to permit a current or retired faculty member of a public college or university to receive compensation for service on the governing body of a water district."

PROPOSITION 22 (HJR 84)

HJR 84 would authorize the appointment of a temporary replacement officer to serve on behalf of a state, district, or local public officer who is called into active military duty for longer than 30 days.

The proposition will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment authorizing the appointment of a temporary replacement officer to fill a vacancy created when a public officer enters active duty in the United States armed forces."

Estos son los informes explicatorios sobre las enmiendas propuestas a la constitución que aparecerán en la boleta el 13 de septiembre de 2003. Si usted no ha recibido una copia de los informes en español, podrá obtener una gratis llamando al 1/800/252/8683 o escribiendo al Secretario de Estado, P.O. Box 12060, Austin, TX 78711.

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Call the office at (254) 725-7629 or come by to sign up. Seven courses will be offered this session. Please join us.

1. "Living a Life of Love & Laughter" Sunday 6-8 p.m. 8 week course—A dynamic guide for a happy life. If laughter is truly the best medicine, then Dennis Swanberg, is just what the doctor ordered! With his down-home charm and heaping helping of hospitality, this Texas-born pastor-turned-comedian, has won the hearts of audiences across the country.

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3. "How Now Shall We Live" Sunday 6-8 p.m. 8 week course—The "naturalistic" world views teaches that the universe can be explained simply as an accident of nature. The age old questions, "Where did I come from? Why I am here? Where am I going? Does life have meaning and purpose?", all answers from the pages of scripture. This course will help us see "Christianity" as a world view that governs every facet of our existence. Help for parents in answering dif-

icult questions about evolution and other troubling influences will also be covered.

4. "Share Jesus Without Fear" Sunday 6-8 p.m. 5 week—This study provides a non-threatening way to share the Gospel. It eliminates the pressure, the argument, and the fear of failure. The message is simple. The goal of each witness is simply to ask five questions and rely on the Holy Spirit to do the convicting and the convincing. A must for every believer, "providing confidence along with basic how to".

5. Youth! "Destination: Principle for Making Life's Journey Count" Sunday 6-8 p.m. 8 week course—"Hey Guys! Have you ever thought about...?" Where are you headed? *Laugh, Think, Learn!* This video based study for all youth in the community has 4 parts: Part 1 THE ROAD AHEAD; Part 2 SIGNS THAT YOU DON'T GET IT; Part 3 ENJOY THE RIDE; Part 4 GETTING TO YOUR DESTINATION. Learn the meaning of living from the inside out. This study will help you know and do God's will in any situation.

6. "When Godly People Do Ungodly Things" Wednesday 10-12 a.m. and 6-8 p.m. 8 week course—This Beth Moore study (for women only) examines why devoted followers of Christ can fall into the traps of Satan. This study is a guide to authentic repentance and helps you learn how to safeguard yourself against attacks by Satan.

7. "The Mind of Christ" Wednesday 6-8 p.m. 12 week course—Is it possible to have the mind of Christ? Renew your mind and life to reflect Christ in everyday living. This course will challenge you to think the thoughts of Christ, to have the mind of Christ and experience a richer, deeper walk with the Lord.

CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

July 1, 2003

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

Don Gosnell, Chief, gave the monthly police report. He reported one hundred twelve calls for service, 5 criminal mischiefs, 4 thefts, 2 accidents, 4 assaults, 2 harassments, 3 disorderly conduct, 1 burglary of a vehicle, 1 DWI, 2 sexual assaults, 1 deadly conduct, and 48 warnings and 55 citations being given. By general consent the council approved the report as presented.

Mayor Ray Purvis presented the monthly Judge's report. He reported 55 citations for June, with 22 remaining outstanding. By general consent the council approved the report as presented.

Mike Redd, representatives for the Cross Plains Food Bank, met with the council. He informed the council that the food pantry is currently paying \$100.00 rent to the American Legion, and did not feel that they could continue to pay rent with their current budget. Debbie informed the council and Mr. Redd that she had spoken with Mr. Mike Mayo concerning the use of the wash house at the Old Nursing Home and he had given permission for the Food Pantry to use the building for 5-6 months while they looked for a permanent place to house the Food Pantry. Discussion was

held concerning the work that would need to be done to the facility so it would meet food pantry requirements. It was also discussed that it would not be wise to spend that kind of money on a temporary place. Debbie also informed the council that she knew of a 16x24 storage building for sale and that they were asking \$4,000 for the building. The council asked Debbie to look at the building and take some pictures to see if would be what the food pantry needed. The council also discussed having a fundraiser to try to raise the money for the purchase of the building. Debbie is to check on the building and a fund-raiser and get back to the council at the next meeting.

The 2002 Consumer Confidence Report was discussed. There were no members of the public present concerning the report.

Gene Dillard moved to pay the bills. Jerry Cassle seconded and motion carried.

The council discussed the paving of the school's parking lot. Debbie informed the council of the estimated costs concerning the project. James Nichols moved to table the discussion until the next regular meeting until a representative of the school could be present. Edwin Weiss seconded and motion carried.

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

Ray Purvis, Mayor
ATTEST:
Debbie Gosnell, Secretary



MRS. JARED MICHAEL COCKE

Merrill-Cocke Wed June 21st

Kelli Jeane Merrill and Jared Michael Cocke exchanged wedding vows June 21, 2003 at the Cathedral of Saint John Berchmans in Shreveport, Louisiana with the Very Reverend Garland Belsome officiating the evening ceremony. The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Merrill of Shreveport and granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Glen Merrill of Cross Plains and Mr. and Mrs. Paul Lettner of Lafayette, Louisiana. Dr. Melanie Merrill Fowler, sister of the bride, of Jefferson, Louisiana, was matron of honor. Robert Merrill, Jr. of Tuscaloosa, Alabama served as usher. Kelli graduated Loyola College Prep in Shreveport and Louisiana State University in Baton Rouge, Louisiana. She is currently attend L.S.U. Medical School in Shreveport. Jared graduated Bishop Sullivan High and Louisiana State University, both in Baton Rouge. He is a sales representative for Magnolia Marketing Company in Shreveport where they reside.

Blood Drive Here Monday, August 4

A blood drive for the communities of Cross Plains and Rising Star will be held on Monday, August 4. The Meek Blood Center Bloodmobile will be in Cross Plains at the Village Market from 1:00 p.m. until 6:00 p.m. Meek Blood Center supplies blood to sixteen medical facilities in the Texas Midwest.

According to Frances Baker, donor recruiter for Meek Blood Center, one pint of blood can save as many as three lives. As little as three teaspoons of blood can save the life of a premature baby, while an accident victim may require as many as thirty pints of blood upon arrival to the hospital. A cancer patient may use as many as eight units of platelets a day while undergoing chemotherapy treatment.

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old, weigh at least 110 pounds and be in good health. Aspirin and most maintenance medications, such as blood pressure, cholesterol, hormones and anti-depressants are acceptable. There are some restrictions regarding some medications, certain medical conditions and some travel areas outside the U.S. Anyone with a question regarding donor eligibility is asked to call Meek Blood Center at (325) 670-2805. The entire donation process takes between 45 minutes to 1 hour. Donors will be provided a snack of juice and cookies. Each donor will receive a T-shirt and a complimentary total cholesterol reading. Cholesterol results may be obtained two days after the blood drive by calling (325) 670-2799.

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Review and visited, since she lived just around the corner. We found that we had a lot of life experiences in common and she always encouraged me. I will never forget calling her when she was at a nursing facility and she commented, "Well, I'm still here in prison." The Lord blessed her with Joyce Cottrell to care for her and she never had to return.

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Women's Retreat and Study Preview

First Baptist Church will be hosting a one-day Women's Retreat on Saturday, August 9, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

All women of the area are invited to attend this retreat, enjoy fellowship and a light lunch.

A preview of the study "When Godly People Do Ungodly Things" by noted Christian author Beth Moore will be presented. This study by Beth Moore will begin on Wednesday, August 13. Two separate classes will be held in the evening from 6-8 p.m.

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