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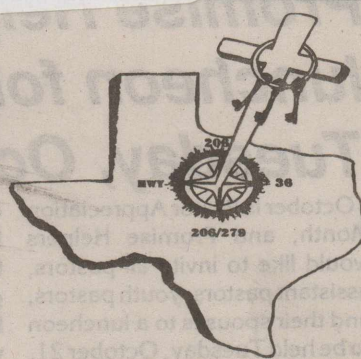
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DOWN HOME

EDITOR'S NOTE: I didn't really have a plan for this week's column until Frankie McGough handed me this interesting list. Someone (?) compiled a "Memo from God" that is very suitable for every day living. It is no coincidence that these wonderful lists somehow make it to our attention. Be encouraged and uplifted from the message within. Try to apply the information to your life, I know I am. Vanda Anderson Creech

"Memo from GOD..."

Effective immediately, please be aware that there are changes YOU need to make in YOUR life. These changes need to be completed in order that I may fulfill My promises to you to grant you peace, joy and happiness in this life. I apologize for any inconvenience, but after all that I am doing, this seems very little to ask of you. I know, I already gave you the 10 Commandments. Keep them. But follow these guidelines, also.

1. QUIT WORRYING

Life has dealt you a blow and all you do is sit and worry. Have you forgotten that I am here to take all your burdens and carry them for you? Or do you just enjoy fretting over every little thing that comes your way?

2. PUT IT ON THE LIST

Something needs done or taken care of. Put it on the list. No, not YOUR list. Put it on MY to-do-list. Let ME be the one to take care of the problem. I can't help you until you turn it over to Me. And although My to-do-list is long, I am after all...God. I can take care of anything you put into My hands. In fact, if the truth were ever really known, I take care of a lot of things for you that you never even realize.

3. TRUST ME

Once you've given your burdens to Me, quit trying to take them back. Trust in Me. Have the faith that I will take care of all your needs, your problems and your trials. Problems with the kids? Put them on My list. Problems with finances? Put it on My list. Problems with your emotional rollercoaster? For My sake, put it on My list. I want to help you. All you have to do is ask.

4. LEAVE IT ALONE

Don't wake up one morning and say, "Well, I'm feeling much stronger now, I think I can handle it from here." Why do you think you are feeling stronger now? It's simple. You gave Me your burdens and I'm taking care of them. I also renew your strength and cover you in my peace. Don't you know that if I give you these problems back, you will be right back where you started? Leave them with Me and forget about them. Just let Me do My job.

5. TALK TO ME

I want you to forget a lot of things. Forget what was making you crazy. Forget the worry and the fretting because you know I'm in control. But there's one thing I pray you never forget. Please don't forget to talk to Me...OFTEN! I love YOU! I want to hear your voice. I want you to include Me in the things going on in your life. I want to hear you talk about your friends

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WHAT A YEAR—The Chamber of Commerce held a ribbon cutting for Farmer's Mutual Protective Association of Texas - Lodge #198 located at 140 South Main (next door to Ray's Barber Shop) on October 9, 2003 at 11:00 a.m. The Cross Plains Chamber of Commerce is proud to welcome yet another business to our thriving community. The business opened in January 2002. Steve Propest has been in the insurance business since 1967, selling health, life, auto and home insurance. Their regular hours are 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Steve and Kitty Propest have lived in Cross Plains since 1992. They have 2 daughters, 3 grandchildren and 1 great-grandchild. Steve believes that word of mouth is a great way to build a business. "Our friends and neighbors have done a great job in building our business. Do a good job for one and they tell their friend and on and on. Thank you Cross Plains for a great 1st year," Propest stated. Pictured are George Mathews (from left), Kitty Propest, Amber Kleiber, Steve Propest, Verna Mathews, James Nichols, Denise Coulter and Susan Schaefer.

Services for Franzel Odom Were Held Friday, October 10

Franzel Odom, age 85, of Cross Plains passed away Tuesday, October 7, 2003, at the Rising Star Nursing Center.

Services were held at 2:00 p.m. Friday, October 10, 2003, at Higginbotham Funeral Home Chapel with Mike Redd and Richard Chaffin officiating. Special music was performed by Connie Kirkham. Burial was in the Cross Plains Cemetery under the direction of Higginbotham Funeral Home in Cross Plains.

Franzel was born July 19, 1918 in Callahan County to Ivan Odom and Maybelle (Lane) Odom. He married Becky Helen (Becker) Odom on November 1, 1944 in Austin, Texas.

He lived in the Callahan County area all his life. Mr. Odom was a veteran of the U.S. Army and served during World War II. He was a retired farmer. Franzell served as County Commissioner for 12 years in Callahan County Precinct No. 4. He served on the administrative board for many years at the First United Methodist Church, where he was

a longtime member.

A loving husband, father and grandfather, Franzell will be greatly missed by all.

Survivors include his wife of fifty-nine years, Becky Odom of Cross Plains; a son and daughter-in-law, Gary Odom and wife, Patty, of Tuscola; a son-in-law, Glen Heath of Friendswood; a sister, Lora Fay Holloway of Abilene; four grandchildren, Chandra Dozier, Dillon Heath, Wade Odom and Brian Odom.

He was preceded in death by his parents; a daughter, Penny Heath; and two brothers, Russell Odom and Sterling Odom.

Pallbearers were Wade Odom, Brian Odom, Dillon Heath, Jimmy Harris, Don Harris and Ivan Odom. Honorary pallbearers were Lowell Johnson, Jimmielee Payne, Tommie Harris, Logan Long, Jimmy Dale Long, Dick Grider and Charlie Grider.

Memorials may be made to the First United Methodist Church in Cross Plains or the Cross Plains E.M.S.

Registration Underway for "Learn About..." Program at Local Library Through Friday, Oct. 31st

Registration is now underway for the "Learn About..." Program at the Cross Plain Public Library. This program is for area children ages 3-5 who are not currently enrolled in pre-school at the local elementary school. Your child must be age 3 on or before September 1, 2003 to attend. The "Learn About..." Program meets from 10:00 to 10:45 a.m. on Wednesdays, beginning Nov-

ember 5th and continues until the end of April. The children will have an opportunity to sing, do finger plays, listen to stories, do an activity, have refreshments and check books in and out of the library.

Library hours are 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday, for registration, which will end Friday, October 31st.

BLOOD DRIVE !!!!!

October 21st in Cross Plains

The First Baptist Church in Cross Plains will sponsor a Blood Drive on Tuesday, October 21. The Meek Blood Center Bloodmobile will be parked next to the Family Life Center from 1:00 p.m. until 6:00 p.m. The building will be open and tables and chairs will be set up where donors can have refreshments following their donation.

The blood that is donated will be credited to either Cross Plains Blood Fund or the Rising Star Blood Fund, which can be designated by the donor. Those who gave blood at the drive on August 4 are eligible to give

blood again.

Those who are in need of blood or blood products include cancer patients, surgical patients, premature babies, new mothers following childbirth, burn patients, persons with bleeding disorders, individuals with chronic anemia, and accident or trauma victims.

Donors must be at least 17 years old, weight at least 110 pounds, in good health and free of infection or illness. There is no upper age limit. All donors must have a picture I.D. Aspirin and most medications, including ibuprofen, Tylenol, blood

pressure, cholesterol, allergy, thyroid, hormones and anti-depressants are acceptable. There are restrictions regarding some medications, certain medical conditions and some travel areas outside the U.S. Those who have questions regarding eligibility may call (325) 670-2805.

Each donor will receive a coffee mug and a complimentary total cholesterol reading. Meek Blood Center is also offering a West Nile Virus test at no charge to the donor. Results may be obtained two days after the blood drive by calling (325) 670-2799.

Cottonwood Musical's Last Performance

The Cottonwood Quilting Club is having their Turkey Dinner and Musical. The ladies will be serving turkey and dressing and all the trimmings with coffee or tea for \$6.00 a plate. Children under 10 years old will be \$3.00 per plate.

Serving begins at 5:30 p.m. and the Musical starts at 6:30 p.m. There will also be a Country Store.

The emcee for the evening will be Mary E. Weaver. Everyone is invited to come and enjoy the good food, good music and visit with old friends.

The proceeds from the supper will be used for the upkeep of the old community building.

This will be the FINAL Cottonwood Musical, after 50 years of performances. Come and support the community program.

Great Things Happening at Genealogy Classes

Great things are happening in our genealogy class. We have had two new members to join us and we are so glad to have them. Donna Irby from Eastland/Cisco area gave a very interesting talk on how to fill out forms for the DAR, DRT and the Texas Genealogical Society.

Friday, October 24, at 1:00 p.m. at the Cross Plains Public Library we have Shirley Shumate returning to speak to us. She was here in May and those who were here thoroughly enjoyed her talk.

I believe this time she will be covering how to do Early Texas Research. Shirley is a profes-

sional genealogist researcher. She authored the Russell family genealogy book and also her web site for 30 years. She "retired" from the Russell family books to spend more time doing what she enjoys most—research.

While she is here on October 24th, she will be donating a very nice copy of our genealogy class in memory of her mother, Jewel Fortune Coker, a graduate of Cross Plains High School. We would like to invite one and all to our classes. We meet from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m. on the 2nd and 4th Friday of the month at the Cross Plains Public Library. Submitted by Sandra Ingram

more stimulation will develop more synapses (brain cell connections) than those who are not stimulated. Or more simply, that the talking, holding, singing, playing and exploring we do with a baby adds up to an increased capacity for learning that lasts throughout that child's life. There are a few key statistics that can very quickly reveal the significance of programming for this age group.

We now know, for example, that 50 percent of a person's intellectual capacity is developed before age four. Additionally, children learn over 80 percent of the vocabulary that will serve them all of their lives by the time they are five. From this type of evidence, more and more libraries are deciding to add programming to serve families during this critically important period in the language and intellectual development of children.

Lapsit programs and services are valuable introductions to the wonderful world of language in which the very young child and adult together share a fun, learning experience that they will then want to recreate. These experiences also encourage early brain development with verbal, visual and tactile stimulation. These programs provide an opportunity

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Texas Heritage Bank

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Presents: "What's Inside"

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Cross Plains Football

Junior High	Varsity
vs.	vs.
Rising Star	Rising Star
October 16, 2003	October 17, 2003
6:00 p.m.	7:30 p.m.
There	Home

Promise Helpers plans luncheon for pastors Tuesday, October 21

October is Pastor Appreciation Month, and Promise Helpers would like to invite all pastors, assistant pastors, youth pastors, and their spouses to a luncheon to be held Tuesday, October 21, 2003, at First United Methodist Church Fellowship Hall, 217 Oak Street, Clyde, Texas, from 12:00 noon until 1:00 p.m.

Lunch will be served and a program will be presented on The Haven, a faith-based crisis pregnancy center and multifaceted women's center for Callahan County that is opening soon at 222 Archer Street in Clyde. The Haven will offer many services that can be helpful to the local church, including the following.

- **Assistance for unwed mothers and their babies**, free pregnancy testing, mentoring programs for young mothers, as well as programs to assist families of young girls with unplanned pregnancies, placing of unwed mothers and their babies.

- **Mentoring programs in which women will be able to share their skills and knowledge with other women**, helping them in the many roles they fill. Whether it's as wife, mother, friend, breadwinner, counselor,

cook chauffeur, cleaning lady, financial manager, nurse, teacher, fashion consultant, (you get the idea) it's encouraging to learn from others who have been where you are. THE HAVEN will be a place where women can pass their wisdom and expertise on to others.

- **"Awesome By Design"**—programs for teens to help them discover God's unique & wonderful plans for them and to choose His ways, to help teens make wise choices and avoid the consequences that result from wrong choices.

- **A place for people to join together**, caring for one another, encouraging one another, and building a strong foundation for future generations through the timeless truths of God's Word.

The Haven is a community outreach program of Promise Helpers, Inc., a nonprofit, ecumenical women's ministry established in Clyde in 1996. Promise Helpers encourages all ministers to come enjoy a good home-cooked meal and learn more about this new outreach that is coming to our county. For more information call 325/893-3777.

OBITUARIES

Linda Gail (Coffee) Adams

Linda Gail (Coffee) Adams, age 49, of Abilene, passed away Sunday, October 12, 2003, at an Abilene hospital.

Funeral services were held at 2:00 p.m. Tuesday, October 14, 2003, at Stevens Funeral Home Chapel in Coleman with Rev. David Jenkins officiating. Burial was in Corpus Christi, Texas, under the direction of Stevens Funeral Home.

Linda was born February 19, 1954 in Odessa, Texas to Joe and Berniece Coffee. She grew up in Coleman and graduated from Coleman High School in 1972. She attended the University of Texas at San Antonio Dental School. On December 10, 1988 she married Doug Adams in Coleman, Texas. She had lived in Abilene since 2002. She was a wife and homemaker.

Survivors include her husband, Doug Adams of Abilene; her daughter, Sarah Keetin Adams of Abilene; her parents, Joe and Berniece Coffee of Coleman; two brothers, Darrell Wayne Coffee of San Antonio and Clayton Zane Coffee of Van; grandmother, Clara Allred of Odessa. Linda was the daughter-in-law of John and Bettye Adams of Cross Plains.

The family requests memorials be made to Cancer Services Network, 107 Highland, Abilene, Texas 79605.

Tommy Lee Ford

Tommy Lee Ford, 86, of Brownwood, passed away Thursday, October 9, 2003, at Hendricks Medical Center in Abilene.

Graveside services were held at 11:00 a.m. Saturday, October 11, 2003, at Greenleaf Cemetery, under the direction of Davis-Morris Funeral Home.

She was born May 20, 1917 in Brownwood, the daughter of Thomas and Maudie Spain, and lived in Brownwood most of her life. Mrs. Ford was a homemaker. She was a member of Coggin Avenue Baptist Church.

Survivors include her husband, Junior Ford of Lawn; a son, Craig Powell of Arlington; stepchildren, Pat Albus and husband, Butch, and Junior Ford, Jr., all of Lawn; Carole Rogers of Pal Desert, California; and Kathy Lewis and husband, Gary, of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma; a sister, Kate Wilhelm of San Angelo; 12 grandchildren; 36 great-grandchildren and a number of nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her first husband, J.W. "Jake" Powell; her parents; a daughter, Linda Grace Powell; and three step-grandchildren.

COURTHOUSE NEWS

COUNTY COURT Roger Corn, presiding

Misdemeanor Filings

Adrian Andrade, driving while intoxicated (DWI).

Ralph Byers, possession of marijuana.

Micael Jimenez, driving while license invalid (DWLI).

Alfredo Garcia, possession of marijuana.

John B. Caraway, DWI.

Billy Ray Collins, Jr., DWI.

Misdemeanor Minutes

Jason Kilough, motion to revoke probation granted.

Jody M. Porter, motion to dismiss to theft by check granted, paid restitution and time served in jail.

42nd DISTRICT COURT John Weeks, presiding

Civil Filings

The State of Texas vs. 1998 Nissan Maxima, TX LP# W54-GVG, VIN # 1N4DL01D7WC102421, notice of seizure and intended forfeiture.

Christine Silba Chavarria and Leonard C. Chavarria, divorce.

Beverly K. Foster, Paul H. Foster and 1709 Gas House Rd., Clyde, Tx. 79510, application for foreclosure.

Claudia Hutchison vs. Stenoscribe, Inc. and Tsephanyah Hawkins, damages.

Elizabeth Carol Ashorn and Larry L. Ashorn, divorce.

Civil Minutes

David Chad Perkins and Chelsea Danay Knappick, divorce granted.

Mal Enterprises, Inc. dba Lawrence Brothers IGA Supermarket vs. Reel Alternative Viewing and Entertainment, Inc. vs. Windsong Refrigeration, order of dismissal as to plaintiff's cause of action against Windsong Refrigeration granted.

The Peoples State Bank of Clyde vs. Richard M. Caldwell, also known as Ricky Caldwell, individually and dba Lewis Enterprises, agreed final judgment granted, plaintiff to recover the sum of \$220,627.50 from defendant.

Laurie Leigh Flock and Bradley Lee Flock, divorce granted.

CHURCH DIRECTORY

CORNERSTONE BIBLE CHURCH

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Pastor:
Donald Duke

Sunday Morning Bible Study.....10:00 AM
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Evening Worship6:00 PM
Wednesday Night Bible Study.....7:00 PM



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For Information Call (254) 725-4884

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Morning Worship.....11:00 A.M.
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Church (254) 725-6266

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Pastor: Carl Mauldin

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NIMROD BAPTIST CHURCH

Sponsor: Pioneer Baptist Church

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

Bill Armstrong - Pastor

Down Home

and family. Prayer is simply you having a conversation with Me. I want to be your dearest friend.

6. HAVE FAITH

I see a lot of things from up here that you can't see from where you are. Have faith in Me that I know what I'm doing. Trust Me; you wouldn't want the view from My eyes. I will continue to care for you, watch over you, and meet your needs. You only have to trust Me. Although I have a much bigger task than you, it seems as if you have so much trouble just doing your simple part. How hard can trust be?

7. SHARE

You were taught to share when you were only two years old. When did you forget? That rule still applies. Share with those who are less fortunate than you. Share your joy with those who need encouragement. Share your laughter with those who haven't heard any in such a long time. Share your tears with those who have forgotten how to cry. Share your faith with those who have none.

8. BE PATIENT

I managed to fix it so in just one lifetime you could have so many diverse experiences. You grow from a child to an adult, have children, change jobs many times, learn many trades, travel

so many places, meet thousands of people, and experience so much. How can you be so impatient then when it takes Me a little longer than you expect to handle something on My to-do-list? Trust in My timing, for My timing is perfect. Just because I created the entire universe in only six days, everyone thinks I should always rush, rush, rush.

9. BE KIND

Be kind to others, for I love them just as much as I love you. They may not dress like you, or talk like you, or live the same way you do, but I still love you all. Please try to get along, for My sake. I created each of you different in some way. It would be too boring if you were all identical. Please, know I love each of your differences.

10. LOVE YOURSELF

As much as I love you, how can you not love yourself? You were created by me for one reason only—to be loved, and to love in return. I am a God of love. Love Me. Love your neighbors. But also love yourself. It makes My heart ache when I see you so angry with yourself when things go wrong. You are very precious to me. Don't ever forget that!

With all My heart
I love YOU!
God

Fall Festival at Sacred Heart Parish Oct. 19

A Fall Festival will be held at Sacred Heart Parish in Coleman (201 San Saba Street) on Sunday, October 19th.

A delectable Mexican dinner will be served including enchiladas, beans, tacos, rice, tortillas, drinks and dessert from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Games will be available for everyone; Train Rides for the

kiddies; Crafts and Plants for the ladies; Horseshoe Tournament for the gents; Bingo and Silent Auction for the lucky ones; Cake Walk and Concessions for the hungry. All this is from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m.

Everyone is invited to come and join in the fun.

WIT'S END TEA ROOM

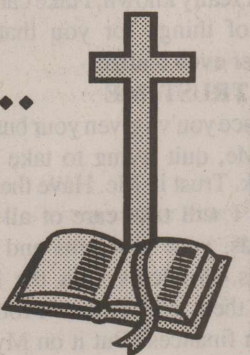
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7:00 p.m. Sun. Evening Worship
7:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer/Worship

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Cross Plains, Texas

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Rev. C. Michael Redd, Pastor

Sunday's Sermon

"Justice, Kindness, and Humility"

PIONEER NEWS

November 1st, little over two weeks! The Quilt Show, Bake Sale and Country Store will be open from 11:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. on that date. It will be at the Pioneer Community Center, between Cross Plains and Rising Star on FM 569. Plan to be here!

The Quilting Ladies had another successful day on Tuesday. We are working on Olena Ezzell's "16 Patch", Glenda Phillips' "Variation of a 16 Patch" and Charlene Chesshir's "Flower Garden" (it really belongs to Christy Dallas and it was pieced by Minnie Dallas). We also had our monthly meeting in which most of it was about the upcoming Quilt Show. We had 10 members present.

The "domino party" (42 or 84) will be Thursday night at the Pioneer Community Center. Come on out for fun and food.

Charlene Chesshir left Friday for Eastland to join Nancy Rogers and her son, Robby King, and Christy's son, Jake Dallas, to go to Edmond, Oklahoma. Christy Dallas had gone on earlier in the week to help Margaret and John Chesshir with preparations for their daughter's wedding. Charlene attended the rehearsal and dinner on Friday night. Abby married Ashley Gomer, also of Edmond, at 6:30 p.m. Saturday, October 4. Of course, it was a beautiful wedding! (Have you

ever seen one that wasn't?) Charlene niece and family from Chandler, Arizona were there as were her niece and family from Amarillo. Charles and Kathy Chesshir from Cross Plains went also. They met their children from Arkansas there. They all enjoyed seeing John and Summer's "new baby", Samuel! Charlene had a wonderful time but was glad to get back to her chair Sunday night! No place like home!

D.P. and May Jones had a gathering of "Midway Island" friends the past week. Wow! Did we ever have a good time! Lots of talk and food. Those who came were: Lonnie and Gladys Johnson of Gatesville; Don and Mary Ann Kolb of Independence, Kansas; Tom and Linda Wrobel of Cascade, Montana; and Randy Wrobel and daughter, Kelee of San Angelo. We try to get together with those we served in the Navy at Midway Island once a year.

We are thankful for the good rain we have had the past week. Everything is looking so green.

Go out and support your local high school in their sports and academic programs!

Word of Wisdom: Your character is what you have left when you've lost everything you can lose.

LIBRARY NOTES



Hey there! Remember me? I'm the check mark of "Check It Out!" My buddy, the Book Worm, knows because we go so well together, but he's lost without me. I'm special. I'm the **double entendre**.

That should take you to the dictionary! I'm a little hurt that I am being forgotten. Help! No dictionary? (Go to the library, they'll show you where to look.) Check it out.

Circulation:	
Books	105
Audio	2
Interlibrary Loan	1
Total	108
Memorials:	
Charles and Lou Rodenberger	
In Memory of James Leddy	
Bill and Judy Porter	
In Memory of Franzel Odom	
Honorarium:	
Charles and Lou Rodenberger	
Honoring: Major Mark Johnson and Troops	
Donations: Books	
Susan Hunter	

Statistics

SENIOR CITIZENS MENU

OCTOBER 20 - 24

MONDAY - Chicken Rice Casserole, Broccoli, Fruit, Cake, Bread, Milk
TUESDAY - Ham Slices, Lima Beans, Turnip Green, Pudding, Cornbread, Milk
WEDNESDAY - Chili w/Beans, Pears & Cottage Cheese, Onions,
 Cookie, Cornbread, Milk
THURSDAY - BBQ Brisket, Ranch Style Beans, Coleslaw, Bread Pudding, Bread, Milk
FRIDAY - Smothered Chicken, Mashed Potatoes, Peas, Strawberry Shortcake, Bread, Milk

OFFICE SUPPLIES AT THE CROSS PLAINS REVIEW

BREAKTHRU

By Bob Pipes
 Cross Plains Church of Christ
 433 N. Main
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Have you noticed, as I have, the vain repetition of God's name used in vain—the proliferation of ones saying, "Oh God" and "My Lord," and the like—but only in vain expressions rather than anything at all that is meaningful or praiseworthy? It is not just those on TV or on the radio—I have noticed those all around us—people who profess Christianity! I think it is mostly due to ignorance of the fact that in making such empty statements, God's name is being used in vain. Perhaps it is out of habit, maybe even from hearing others say it and not considering the vanity therein—but it is nonetheless against God's desire for anyone to do so.

It would probably be worth reflecting upon the third of the Ten Commandments that God gave the Israelites of old: "You shall not take the name of the LORD your God in vain, for the LORD will not hold him guiltless who takes His name in vain." The principle of that commandment—to not use God's name vainly—is at the root Jesus' statement in His "sermon from the mount" when He taught the disciples how to pray: "Our Father in heaven, hallowed is Your name" (emphasis mine, bp) (Matthew 6:9).

I encourage you to join me in checking our vocabulary, our speaking, and make sure that we hit the "delete" button on anything that even smacks at using the Lord's name in vain.

We encourage you to share with us in all the times of Bible study and worship as we meet together. We really do care about you!

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

Front Line Musicians Slated to Play for Cottonwood's Last Musical Venue

It's the end of an era, and heading up the list of musicians signed up to play for the last musical ever in Cottonwood, Texas, is a roster of faithful artists and a few of the old time favorites. The list includes Cy Tucker from Clyde; Bill Comeaux of Merkle; Dalton Thomas of Brownwood Lake; Rosie Marshall of Cisco; and Ray Boles of Clyde.

"There will be other faithful ones who come to play," said Isla Stroud, "but, they always sign up when they get here."

The evening's festivities will include a Country Store and the Quilting Club's annual Turkey and Dressing Supper. Donations and garage sale type items are still needed for the Country Store. Proceeds of the Supper and Country Store will go toward maintenance of the Cottonwood Community Center.

So it will be a gala occasion, and if you live in the Cottonwood Valley it will be your best opportunity of the year to come out, meet your neighbors, eat some good food, listen to your favorite style of Country Western music and contribute to one of the important institutions, the Cottonwood Quilting Club, that does so much for the community and keeps the spirit of Cottonwood alive.

Isla and I were talking about the musicals and ruminating about "this is the end"! Isla's recollection is that the musicals started about the same time as the "quiltings", when people used to meet in individual homes. "Each person would bring a can of food to contribute to the 'HoBo' stew pot," said Isla.

As she remembers, musicians included Blanton Childress and his sons and other locals. When the old school building became available as a community center, the musicals and the "quiltings"

moved there and began attracting area audiences and performers and the musicals became a very popular event. In time, audiences became smaller and other area musicals began to attract performers.

We talked about other Cottonwood institutions and businesses that have come and gone and "Cottonwood" is still here. Cottonwood citizens have a "never say die" spirit and this community will always be here. It reminds me of the names the British Royal Navy used to give to their aircraft carriers during World War II, such as: "HMS Indefatigable", "HMS Undaunted" and "HMS Indomitable".

Tireless, fearless, and incapable of being dominated, that was the spirit of the Royal Navy and that's the Cottonwood spirit. It is still alive and will give birth to some other venue for the Cottonwood citizens.

So, Citizens of Cottonwood, all of you, never let it be done without YOU. Friday night is an opportunity to come "celebrate" and "contribute" to the life and Spirit of Cottonwood.

Friday evening, October 17; Food and Country Store sales start at 5:30 p.m.; Music starts at 6:00 p.m. Please remember your contributions to the Quilting Club are NEEDED and always welcome. See you there!

P.S. I sailed with the British Pacific Fleet for a year and half in 1942-43.

Fire Control Unit to Meet Thursday Night

All members of the Cottonwood Volunteer Fire Control Unit are urged to meet for training at 7:00 p.m. at the Fire Station on October 16. All members of the board of directors are urged to be present for a meeting immediately after the training session.

(Call Wallace Bennett (254) 725-7474 for news and personal items for this column.)

CROSS PLAINS GARDEN CLUB

BY Joyce Odom

Members of the Cross Plains Garden Club met October 10, at 9 a.m. at the Garden Club "Welcome Sign" on Main Street to landscape around the sign.

Eva Fleming, president, Mary Ella Weaver, Julene Franke and Joyce Odom, broke up the ground and planted cacti, grasses and flowering plants they brought from their places, along with Rose of Sharon that Lois Garrett donated.

Herman Weaver donated the cross-ties and Tom Bennett sawed, hauled them and placed them to form a frame for the planting. The club is very appreciative to each of them.

Hopefully, they will live and thrive. (I talked to the plants I set, J.O.)

The group went to the Staghorn Cafe for lunch where James Nichols joined them. After eating, discussions were held about meeting October 24 at 10 a.m. at Julene's place of business to formulate material for the District VIII Meeting to be held at the Family Life Center on November 6-7.

James Nichols drew the door prize, conducted by Joyce Odom, which was a bird feeder, bird seed and a pair of work gloves. Meeting adjourned.

RISING STAR NURSING CENTER

Our Porch Sale was a great success, thanks to the support and effort of many people.

Thank to everyone who donated, came to our sale and to everyone who helped. A special "thank you" to Weldon Hill for lending us some big tables. Also special thanks to Dorothy Petty, Ava Dodd and Fredene Tennison for giving up your time to help us out on sale day. You guys are great! One last thank to Ann Strahan for making the delicious divinity.

Our condolences to the Odom family for the loss of Franzel Odom. He was only here at the

center a very short time, we did not get to know him that well. His widow, Becky, is a resident here. Thank you to the Odom family for sharing the lovely flowers with us.

One last thing, it seems that due to football games being on Thursday and Friday, most families will be celebrating Halloween on Wednesday, October 29th. We will be giving out candy to trick or treaters on that evening between 6:00 p.m. and 8:00 p.m. Please try to make it by. Our residents love passing out candy and looking at all the cute costumes.

QUIPS, CLIPS & COMMENTS

By Kay Mosley

Note: Following Thanksgiving, begin going through some of your photos and snapshots, put aside those from prior Christmases over the years. Once you have gleaned most of them, look through them and choose a few. Frame a few to sit on the coffee table or the sofa table, desks, bedside tables, etc. Sort out some to scatter around in the house for guests to admire and look through, this will bring them and you many happy memories.

"Christmas Memories—Linger On"

On with the preparations! Whichever color combo you choose, first make sure and check to see that the house is as clean as clean can be. If it is affordable for you, you might wish to hire someone to do the deep cleaning. With that accomplished, let's decorate the inside. Suppose our theme this year for Christmas at home is Merry Christmas, Past and Present... and our color scheme will be blue and silver.

For the tree, cut long strips of blue net and on each strip place a matching length of silver rickrack or ribbon. Tie each length of net and rickrack into a long fluffy bow with the rickrack running through it and attach to the flowing limbs of your Christmas tree.

Hang as many clear or blue ornaments on the tree as you have. To fill in after your blue ornaments check your stock to see and your stash of dried primrose pods. Soak some of the pods overnight in warm water, the next morning, lay them out to dry and paint your primrose pods the colors you have chosen. Blue and silver, I believe for this tree. When they have dried, hang the colored pods on the tree. Very pretty—another idea is wrapping miniature boxes, match boxes, etc. to look like Christmas gifts and hang them on the tree.

It is usually best to put the strings of Christmas lights on before you put any of the orna-

ments and decorations on the tree. For the kitchen, since very likely many of us own a blue or silver Christmas tablecloth, then improvise. Try a blue table cloth of any shade of blue or just us white, now put your white lace tablecloth over that. For your centerpiece try a large bowl or container of blue, or silver, clear or white balls; fill the large bowl with large and small Christmas ball shaped ornaments.

Pick up at your grocery some of those little plastic champagne glasses with a stem or use ice cream dishes then turn them upside down; place a small blue or silver Christmas ball under the dish which is turned upside down, then place in the center of the table. Tie small blue or silver ribbons around stems and into bows. Take some birthday candles and light and drip just enough wax to sit the candle on the bottom which is now upright, place a small bit of mistletoe or pine tree beside the candle.

Another cute centerpiece is to

take a 3 pound coffee can, wash thoroughly and fill with potting soil. Buy a package of peppermint sticks, then with a hot glue gun, glue the peppermint sticks all around perpendicular, until the can is covered. Let glue dry at least overnight. Plan an ivy, poinsettia, etc. inside or use rocks or marbles and artificial plants. Tie a huge red bow around the center of the can. Voila! It's magic.

If your guests are overnights, do the bedrooms up in blue and lavender and sit outside at least a Christmas decoration or so. It tends to make guests feel really welcome. Another last minute thing, when you have the guest bedrooms all ready, be sure to leave a mint on their pillows.

And this is a sore spot with me, PLEASE provide a small wastepaper basket for their convenience.

Happy planning and planting. The next column we are planning to do on holiday foods.

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PERSONAL

Lorine Bryson now resides with her daughter, Joan Parker, in Abilene. Friends who would like to keep in contact may send cards, etc. to 3102 Button Willow Parkway, Abilene, Texas 79606. Lorine would love to hear from friends from her hometown.

GARDEN TIP OF THE MONTH

Hold on there turkey, I am a pumpkin, as orange as they come. Every year I plan to stretch the seasons, hoping to show up at the farmer's market, waiting around with the last of the tomatoes and the earliest sweet potatoes.

I constantly try to substitute human cleverness for nature's wisdom. Truth is, my part in the miraculous drama played out in those fields and orchards each day and night is really very small. As if to remind you of this, it is nearly Halloween and I find myself hoping for a pilgrim Thanksgiving.

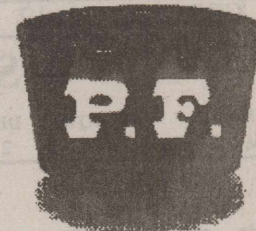
Do a pumpkin favor and have a pumpkin pie. They are great.

Hope your broom is gased up and your old black cat is in a friendly mood.

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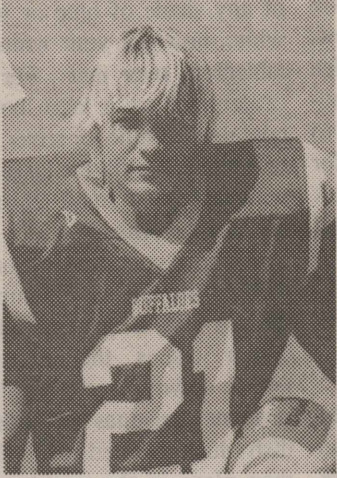
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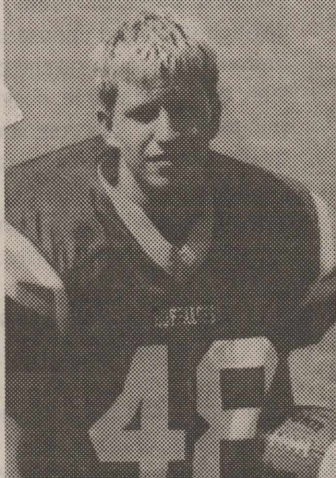
PLAYERS OF THE WEEK

OFFENSE



BRANDON HORTON
Runningback - Jr.
Rushing:
6 Carries — 61 yards

DEFENSE



ROY SMITH
Outside Linebacker- Soph.
Tackles: 9 Assists: 3 Hurries: 1
Fumble Recoveries: 2

Gorman Defeats C.P. Buffaloes Friday Night 20-6

The Cross Plains Buffaloes found themselves in a hole early and were never able to regroup Friday night at Gorman.

A fumble and a bad snap to the punter set up two Gorman touchdowns giving Gorman a 12-0 lead midway through the first quarter.

The Buffaloes did manage to score before half. Gorman dominated the second half, leaving the Buffaloes little chance to get back

in the game. The Panthers had twice as many snaps as the Buffaloes.

We did not come to play. Once we decided to play, we were down 12. We are going to have to learn to deal the first blow and follow it with a second, and third...

Rising Star has a good ball team. They are big upfront and have good skill position players.

Submitted by Coach David Hagler

	CROSS PLAINS	GORMAN
FIRST DOWNS	5	18
RUSHING YARDS	24-92	59/206
PASSING YARDS	84	22
PASSES	5-14-1 INT	2-7
FUMBLES-LOST	2-29	2/27.5
PENALTIES-YARDS	9-85	8-55

SCORE BY QUARTERS

	1ST	2ND	3RD	4TH	TOTAL
CROSS PLAINS	0	6	0	0	6
GORMAN	12	0	6	2	20

SCORES

NAME	TIME/QTR	DISTANCE
Jose Mauricio	6:40 2nd Qtr	2 yard run PAT no good

J.V. Buffaloes Tied Baird 12-12

The Junior Varsity Buffaloes tied Baird last Thursday, 12-12. It was a scoring fest early, but the defenses took over in the second half.

The game consisted of several big plays for both sides. River Dillard caught two long touchdown passes from Clay Koenig. Russell Thomas and Derik

Hamlin had long runs. Dusty Cooper had a long reception from Koenig.

Also playing well for the Buffaloes was Dalton Carpenter, Zach Bennett, Clayton Thomas, Heath Sellers, Jeremy Torres, Justin Dickson, Jordan Dillard, Chris McBride, Brock Cooper, Garrett Stephens, Colton Manley, Tony Gonzales and Stevie Garrett.

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SCHOOL BOARD MEETING

A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of Cross Plains I.S.D. will be held on October 21, 2003 beginning at 7:00 p.m. in the high school administrative board room. The subjects to be discussed or considered or upon which any formal action may be taken are as follows:

Call Meeting to Order

1. Prayer
2. Minutes
3. Open Forum
4. Discuss and Take Action on Use of School Facilities:
 - A. Fall Festival
 - B. J.H. Cheerleader Buffalo Stomp
5. Present and Discuss Academic Excellence Indicator System Report 2002-2003
6. Present and Discuss Adequate Yearly Progress Report
7. Discuss and Take Action on Resolution for Credit Card Services
8. Discuss and Take Action on Electricity Service
9. Review Bills
10. Adjourn.

This notice was posted in compliance with the Open Meetings Act on October 14, 2003, at 10:00 a.m. by Jackie Tennison for the Board of Trustees.

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SCHOOL MENU

OCTOBER 20 - 24 BREAKFAST

- MONDAY** - Blueberry or Banana Nut Muffins, Assorted Juice
TUESDAY - Pancakes, Sausage, Assorted Juice
WEDNESDAY - Eggs, Bacon, Biscuit, Assorted Juice
THURSDAY - Hot or Cold Cereal, Toast, Assorted Juice
FRIDAY - Cinnamon Toast, Assorted Juice

LUNCH

- MONDAY** - Corn Dogs, Tater Tots, Baked Beans, Brownies
TUESDAY - Chicken Nuggets w/ Gravy, Mashed Potatoes, Green Beans, Rolls, Peaches
WEDNESDAY - Grilled Cheese, Beef-Veggy Soup, Crackers, Mixed Fruit
THURSDAY - Pizza, Salad, Corn, Pudding
FRIDAY - Hamburger, Lettuce, Tomato, Pickles, Fries, Cookie

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING TO DISCUSS CROSS PLAINS I.S.D.'S FIRST, Financial Accountability Rating System

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Cross Plains School District will hold a School FIRST public hearing on October 28, 2003 at 6:00 p.m., in the High School Library of Cross Plains School District, 700 North Main Street, Cross Plains, Texas, for the purpose of:

- A. Call to Order
- B. Overview of School FIRST (Financial Integrity Rating System of Texas)
- C. Cross Plains District's rating
- D. Public Comments on the Report
- E. Adjournment

On this October 10, 2003 at 1:00 p.m., a copy of this notice was posted on the bulletin board of the main entrance foyer at Cross Plains I.S.D., a place accessible to the public at all times, and on the bulletin board of the Administration Building Reception Area, 700 North Main Street, Cross Plains, Texas, 76443, and distributed to local media representatives as requested.

Jackie Tennison,
Superintendent, Cross Plains I.S.D.

Welcome to New York City !!!!!!!

Welcome to New York City, the city that British explorer Henry Hudson "discovered" in 1609 while searching for a passage to China! Now Broadway and the arts are waiting for you to come explore this great city! Ruth Knightstep will again be leading a six day tour to New York City in June of 2004. The tour includes two Broadway shows (we'll see three additional shows!), viewing the city from the Empire State Building, a tour of the Lincoln Center for the Performing Arts, a meeting with a professional artist, a tour of Radio City Music Hall and a meeting with one of the Rockettes, a ferry ride to the Statue of Liberty and Ellis Island, a tour of the Metropolitan Museum of Art, an NBC studio tour, a visit to the Guggenheim Museum, and a visit to Sony Wonder Technology Lab. Shop in some of the most exclusive stores in the world, including F.A.O. Schwarz, the world's largest toy store. Drive through Greenwich Village, SoHo, Chinatown, Little Italy, and Harlem. You'll also make a stop outside MTV's studio for a glimpse of the popular "Total Request Live" program.

If this has been a dream of yours, it's time to make it a reality. Call Ruth Knightstep at (325)893-2557 for more information. The tour can be paid out over the next five months and is guaranteed to give you wonderful memories for a lifetime!

Texans should recycle every day

AUSTIN—Once just isn't enough in Texas. That's the message the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality and Keep Texas Beautiful are sending with this year's Texas Recycles Day theme: Texas Recycles Every Day.

Texas Recycles Day (TRD), the statewide, public awareness campaign to encourage Texans to start recycling, is held annually on November 15. The Texas Recycles Every Day theme encourages Texans to make recycling a part of their daily lives with one or all of the Four R's: Reduce, Reuse, Recycle, and ReBuy. Events will be held statewide from mid-October through November 17 to raise awareness about how easy and important it is to recycle.

Any individual, group, or company can participate in or hold a Texas Recycles Day event. Last year, more than 300,000 people participated in TRD events across the state of Texas.

To participate in reuse or recycling events, download publications, or learn more about recycling, go to www.texasrecyclesday.org. The Texas Commission on Environmental Quality and Keep Texas Beautiful are cosponsoring TRD in 2003.

July/Julio 1, 2002 - June/Junio 30, 2003

FAMILY SIZE NÚMERO DE PERSONAS EN LA FAMILIA	HOUSEHOLD INCOMES / INGRESOS DE LA CASA		
	ANNUAL INCOME INGRESOS ANUALES	MONTHLY INCOME INGRESOS MENSUALES	WEEKLY INCOME INGRESOS SEMANALES
1	\$ 16,391	\$ 1,366	\$ 316
2	22,089	1,841	425
3	27,787	2,316	535
4	33,485	2,791	644
5	39,183	3,266	754
6	44,881	3,741	864
7	50,579	4,215	973
8	56,277	4,690	1,083
For each additional family member add: Para cada persona adicional agregue:	\$ 5,698	\$ 475	\$ 110

Child and Adult Food Program Eligibility Told

Central Texas Opportunities, Inc. announces sponsorship of the Child and Adult Food Program. Each facility and Central Texas Opportunities, Inc. has a copy of the policy, which anyone may review.

The following household size and income criteria will be used to determine eligibility.

Children from households whose income is at or below the levels shown are eligible for free or reduced-price meals.

Application forms and a letter to parents or guardians are being sent to all homes. To apply for free or reduced-price meals, households should fill out the application and return it to the contractor. Additional copies are available at the contractor's office. The information provided on the application will be used to determine eligibility and may be verified any time during the contract year by the contractor or other program officials.

Households must provide the following information on the application: all household members' names, the Social Security number of the head of the household (or other responsible adult), and all household members' incomes by source; or the household's Food stamp or TANF case number if appropriate, and the signature of an adult household member certifying that the information is correct.

Applications may be submitted any time during the year.

According to the free and reduced-price policy, Central Texas Opportunities, Inc. will review applications and determine eligibility. Parents or guardians dissatisfied with the ruling of the official may discuss the decision with Central Texas

Opportunities, Inc. Parents may request appeal either orally or in writing by contacting:

Central Texas Opportunities, Inc.
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Households must report increases of over \$50 per month or \$600 per year in household income, and decreases in household size. If a household member becomes unemployed or if the household size increases, the household should contact the contractor. These changes may qualify children for reduced-price meals or for free meals if the household's income falls to or below the levels shown above.

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Trail riders can see American Bison at Buffalo Mountain Ranch

ABILENE—Horse and nature enthusiasts will have the opportunity for a rare sight when Buffalo Mountain Ranch hosts its first trail ride open to the public on Saturday, November 1.

The 4,400-acre ranch on the hills of the Callahan Divide just south of Abilene is home to more than 100 American Bison, which are being raised on the land that was once their natural home. Many young calves are among the herd.

After a morning ride that hits the trail at 10 a.m., a noon lunch of buffalo chili and buffalo steak fingers will be served at the historic Camp Berkeley buildings on the property. Riders will then take off for another ride around the scenic ranch, followed by relaxation and entertainment by

cowboy poet Wallace Rennals from Jacksboro, Texas. A hay ride to accompany the riders also is in the works.

Cost is \$25 for those who bring their own horse, \$40 for couples, and \$100 for individuals who need to lease a horse. Tack and horseshoeing will be available at the site. Reservations for the trail ride are required by Oct. 25.

For more information and reservations, call ranch foreman Larry Pitcox at (325) 846-4800.

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Captain Shannon Richardson Deployed to Egypt Recently

Army National Guard Capt. Shannon B. Richardson is currently deployed on a temporary duty assignment to Sinai, Egypt as part of the Multinational Peacekeeping Forces and Observers (MFO).

The Multinational Forces and Observers (MFO) mission of the U.S. military contingent is to operate checkpoints, observation posts, conduct reconnaissance patrols, and perform other aerial and ground-based monitoring functions.

The MFO, formed in 1982, is a multinational peacekeeping

force composed of military and civilian contingencies from the United States and several other countries. The MFO is designed to provide a peacekeeping presence between Israel and Egypt in agreement with the March 1979 Egypt-Israel Peace Accord.

The captain, a company commander, is the son of Bill and Charlsie Richardson of Rural Route 2, Cross Plains, Texas.

Richardson graduated in 1986 from Bangs High School, Texas, and received a master's degree in 1993 from Texas Tech University, Lubbock.

New Novel Focuses on Reporter Tracking Mysterious Golfer with Rock 'n' Roll Past

Meet Me at the River Buddy Holly (1st Books Library), a novel by Bob Lapham, is a contemporary tale of drama, romance, action, adventure and faith crafted around the author's recollections of his magical summer of 1957. As a member of the pop vocal trio the Picks, he was one of three backup vocalists for most of rock 'n' roll legend Buddy Holly's early hits with the Crickets.

Lapham, 68, a retired award-winning newspaper writer, has written three other books, all non-fiction—*Twenty Years of Life Begins at Forty*; *What Made Wyatt Up—The Biography of Toad Leon*; and *The Wild Blue and Family Too*, based upon the memoirs of a veteran bomber pilot in World War II, the Korean

Conflict and the Cold War. Meet Me at the River Buddy Holly is Lapham's first novel. He lives with his wife, Mary, in Abilene. You may contact him at bamlapham@aol.com or (325) 677-0141.

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Organ Donation—The Gift That Keeps on Giving

They're the amazing stories we see, read and hear every day—the newborn who gets a second chance at life after having a heart transplant, the badly burned firefighter who will be able to return to work after receiving skin grafts, the middle-aged woman who had been on dialysis for years but is now healthy and active after receiving a donor kidney.

Unfortunately, there are many more stories whose endings are not so happy or, more important, not yet known. These are the stories of the more than 82,000 people in the United States—about 5,000 of them in Texas—who are waiting for an organ transplant.

"Every day, all across the country, people are saved by the gift of organ donation," said Susan Ristine of the Texas Department of Health's (TDH) anatomical gift education program, a statewide program that educates Texas residents about organs and tissues that can be used in transplants.

"In 2002, around 24,000 children, teenagers, parents, grandparents and friends were given a second chance at life because someone chose to donate their organs and tissues," Ristine said. "But the number of organs available for transplantation falls far short of the demand. Around 6,000 people in the United States died last year while waiting for a lifesaving organ transplant, Ristine said. "The waiting list continues to grow—it's now three times larger than it was 10 years ago."

Ristine said one reason is that, while most people support the idea of organ donation, few actually choose to donate. "They either don't know about the organ donation process or have unfounded fears or misinformation about it. We believe that, if more people knew the facts

about organ donation, it would reduce concerns they and their family members have about the process."

For example, life-saving medical treatment is not withheld because the patient has signed an organ donor card, Ristine said.

Other concerns may involve not knowing what happens to the donor's body or if there can be an open casket funeral. "The donor's body is not disfigured during the organ transplant process," Ristine explained. "The procedure does not delay funeral arrangements."

Ristine added that most people are unaware that donation of their organs can benefit so many people. "One donor can help save or improve the lives of 25 or more people with gifts of organs, tissue and corneas," she said. Organs that can be donated include heart, kidneys, pancreas, lungs, liver and intestines. Tissue that can be donated includes cornea, skin, bone, bone marrow, heart valves and connective tissue.

While donors of all races are needed, there are special needs among minority populations. According to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, some diseases of the kidney, heart, lung, pancreas and liver are found more frequently in racial and ethnic minority populations than in the general population. African Americans, Asian and Pacific Islanders and Hispanics are three times more likely to suffer from end-stage renal disease than are Caucasians. American Indians are four times more likely than Caucasians to suffer from diabetes.

"The need for minority donors is critical, especially among African Americans," Ristine said. "African Americans represent 13 percent of the U.S. population but make up 27 percent of the national waiting list and only 11 percent of donors."

Deciding to be an organ donor is as easy as signing a uniform donor card, having two adults sign the card as witnesses and carrying the card with you at all times.

But signing and carrying the card is just the first step. "If you haven't told your family you're an organ and tissue donor—you're not a donor," Ristine emphasized.

"You need to tell your family about your decision to be an organ and tissue donor because they will be consulted before the donation process can take place."

To receive a donor card and information about organ donation, go to the anatomical gift education program Web site at www.tdh.state.tx.us/agep/default.htm. Or call the Texas Department of Health at (800) 222-3986.

The education program is funded through a voluntary \$1 contribution made when a Texas driver license or identification card is issued or renewed at Texas Department of Public Safety offices and or online at www.txdps.state.tx.us.

Parker County Heritage Society TO DEDICATE Historical Marker to crews of two bombers who collided over Weatherford in 1945

WEATHERFORD, TX - The Parker County Heritage Society is set to dedicate a historical marker to the crews of two bombers that collided over Weatherford on the night of August 17, 1945. Community leaders, veterans and elected officials will be joining former US House Speaker Jim Wright at a ceremony to be held on the grounds of the Weatherford Public Library on Saturday, Oct. 18 beginning at 10 a.m. Special guests for the event include the only two survivors of the crash. Edwin F. Smith of Glasgow, KY and Earl E. Wischmeier of Las Vegas, NV.

The incident happened on the night of August 17, 1945. That night, 18 of 20 airmen lost their lives in a mid-air collision of two B-29 aircraft. Both were on training missions to simulate bombing runs in the Pacific and both aircraft originated from bases in New Mexico.

"This was a stunning and horrifying event to the citizens of Weatherford.

Imagine two large planes crashing overhead. The flames could be seen from as far as 90 miles away, said Bob Hopkins, co chair of the dedication.

"To ensure that those who made the ultimate sacrifice for us, our organization decided to place this marker to commemorate the tragedy above Weatherford, said Gregg Lane, president of the Heritage Society. "We hope that this will be the first of many dedications

that the Heritage Society makes as we continue to educate and commemorate the public about Parker County's rich history."

The Parker County Heritage Society also sponsors the Christmas Candlelight Tour of Homes, planned this year for December 13.

Text from marker to be dedicated on Saturday, Oct. 18.

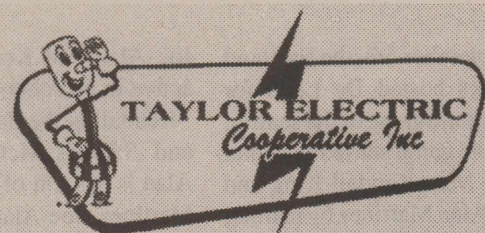
On the night of August 17, 1945, two B-29 "Heavy Bombers" collided above this site killing 18 of the 20 airmen aboard. The spectacular event could be seen as far away as Gainesville, Greenville and Cisco as both planes exploded in fire.

The two aircraft, one from Clovis Airfield, New Mexico, the other from Alamogordo Airfield, New Mexico, were on separate training missions to simulate bomb runs in the Pacific as they met head-on in a freak chance over Weatherford.

The Clovis plane, with a crew of 11, crashed approximately one and a quarter mile southwest of this site on the Edwards family farm. Two men managed to parachute from the burning plane and survived. The Alamogordo plane, with a crew of 9, crashed approximately two and a half miles north of this site, near Peaster Highway, with no survivors.

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Thanks from the Clyde Chamber of Commerce

The Clyde Chamber of Commerce would like to thank the community for supporting the Annual Pecan and Bluegrass Festival again this year. The Clyde Independent School district, Peoples State Bank, Big Country Dodge, Russell-Surles Title Company, Thrifty's Food Mart, AEP, and The City of Clyde played a big part in the success of the event. Individuals too numerous to mention worked very hard on various aspects of the festival to make sure that everything went well.

Bluegrass music, puppet shows, food, arts, crafts, and games were enjoyed by the good crowd that was on hand. A big thank you goes out to the clubs, churches, and individuals who provided all the food, treasures, and entertainment for those attending to enjoy.

The Chamber also wants to thank everyone who participated in the parade. There were a lot of entries in the parade and we have had a lot of comments from the spectators about how much they enjoyed all the different floats, cars, tractors, motorcycles, bicycles, etc. The parade winners this year are as follows:

Best of Parade:
Bible Baptist Church Float

Wagons:
1st - William B. Freeman
Antique Cars:
1st - Robert Miller; 1932 Pontiac
2nd - Claude and Mary Boyd; 1940 Ford
3rd - Ed and Virgie Hinton; 1921 Ford
Floats:
1st - Bible Baptist Church
2nd - Cowboy Heritage Church
3rd - Clyde Girl Scouts
Tractors:
1st - Clint Kniffen; 1945 Oliver
2nd - Clint Kniffen; Allis Chalmers
3rd - Clint Kniffen; 1945 John Deere
Horses:
1st - Gary Richardson
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3rd - Josh Terrell; 2003 Suzuki

Whether you sponsored an event or just bought some of the great food, or were one of the many workers, the Clyde Chamber of Commerce appreciates you so much. Once again, we would like to say thank you!

Pipeline safety training classes in Abilene October 20 & 21

A high-pressure pipeline safety training, conducted in cooperation with Onco Pipeline and the Taylor County Emergency Planning Committee, will be conducted Monday and Tuesday, October 20 and 21 at the Abilene Civic Center located at 1100 North Sixth Street. The training sessions will begin at 6:30 p.m.

The free training class counts for continuing education credits in the fire service and law enforcement areas. The Danielle Dawn Smalley Foundation will conduct the classes on the two night agenda.

Please call the Foundation at 1-866-401-2800 with your RSVP. Food will be served at 6:30 p.m. Spouses are welcome, please no small children.

Pipeline safety training is re-

quired by the Federal Government for first responders whose responsibility includes areas that contain high-pressure gas and petroleum pipelines. Your agency might very well be first on the scene of a pipeline emergency. If this type of emergency occurs you should be prepared to respond in a safe manner, protecting yourself and other responders along with the general public from these hazards.

A thorough list of topics will be covered to prepare first responders to protect themselves and the general public:
Identifying pipeline locations
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2003 EASTLAND HIGH SCHOOL, Homecoming Band Sweetheart and Beau— Miss Kendall King and Mr. Joe Alan Martinez

Local Couple's Grandson Honored

On September 5th, the Eastland Mavericks hosted De Leon for the first home game of the season. Before the game started the band honored Miss Kendall King and Mr. Joe Alan Martinez by naming them the 2003 Band Sweetheart and Band Beau.

Kendall and Joe Alan have participated in band for four years.

Joe Alan and Kendall are very active in all school activities.

Kendall is the daughter of Ron and Sandra McCormick. Joe Alan is the son of Joe F. and Lil Martinez. Joe Alan is the grandson of Sid and Sally Davis of Cross Plains and Nellie Martinez and the late Selestino Martinez of Eastland.

Wednesday Club hosting Fall Board Meeting

Texas Federation of Women's Club, Mesquite District Fall Board Meeting will be hosted by the Wednesday Club of Baird, in the Baird First United Methodist Church on North Highway 283. The church is located just north of I-20. Welcoming remarks will

be given by Baird Mayor Jon Hardwick. Reservations of \$10.00 are to be made by October 20th. Otherwise it will be \$11.00 at the door. Mail to Louise Massey, 411 McHarg St., Stamford, Tx. 79553.

White-tailed Deer Seminar Set for October 21

Many Big Country residents thoughts have switched to the upcoming white-tailed deer season which opens for rifles November 1. Deer are an important component of renewable natural resources in Texas. The white-tailed deer is the major game species, measured by hunter participation and money spent on the sport. In recent years, hunters have harvested more than 450,000 head each year. Perhaps no wildlife species has more universal appeal than the white-tailed deer.

Healthy deer herds have several common attributes such as big antlers, prime body condition, productive does, good fawn survival, rapid growth, and early maturity of young.

To address a few of the above topics and help local enthusiast prepare for the approaching season, the Callahan County Extension Service has scheduled a White-Tailed Deer Seminar for Tuesday October 21, 2003. The seminar will be held at 7:00 p.m. in the Baird Activity Center located at 208 Walnut in Baird, Texas. There is a \$2.00 admission that automatically qualifies participants for a chance at an automatic deer feeder to be given away at the end of the program. There will be several other door prizes.

Topic for this years program will include white-tailed deer biology, Nutrition, Legal considerations and a unique presentation on hunters and landowners perspectives of the "Hunting Lease".

Regardless of your level of interest in white-tailed deer, this program has something for you. You won't want to miss this opportunity to learn more about the most popular big game animal in Texas. For further information on the program contact the Callahan County Extension office at (325)854-1518.

Robert Pritz, County Extension Agent

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Deadlines

Ads Noon on Tuesday
Articles Noon on Monday

RRC gives winter Texans new look into propane

AUSTIN—Winter Texans can now access the Texas Railroad Commission's website for important information on staying safe when using propane appliances.

Logging onto www.rrc.state.tx.us now allows Winter Texans helpful access to locations of more than 1,000 propane refueling sites, recreational vehicle (RV) parks, and state historic sites. The page also includes propane safety tips, current road and weather conditions, points for safe propane storage, as well as tips for handling LP-gas container systems and appliances.

"Snowbirds," as they are called, can call up the site before their annual migration to the Lone Star State, traditionally marked for the end of October whereby more than one million non-Texans flock to the state, bringing with them key economic development.

"Supplying quick, simple access to safety information for propane users is just another way we are working to help Texans as well as those who visit the vast wonderful vacation spots in the state," said Commission Chairman Victor Carrillo. "With the simple click of a mouse, Winter Texans can get quick access to some of the most important propane safety guidelines."

"The Railroad Commission wants Winter Texans to know that propane safety is one of our top priorities," said Commissioner Charles Matthews. "As the agency that regulates propane, we encourage Winter Texans to become familiar with our website for tips on the safe use of their recreational propane appliances."

"We welcome Winter Texans to the Lone Star State and hope they'll visit the Railroad Commission website for information on propane and propane safety," said Commissioner Michael Williams. "We hope while they're visiting Texas, they'll also find the website a useful and infor-

mative tool."

For more information on how to camp and travel warmly and safely this winter, or to obtain a list of propane suppliers and refueling stations statewide, log onto www.texaspropane.org or call the Railroad Commission's Alternative Fuels Division at 1-800-64-CLEAR.

Tips for Winter Propane Safety

The Texas Railroad Commission, the state's chief energy agency, encourages those who rely on propane-powered camp heaters, lanterns and stoves or drive RVs to follow some basic outdoor equipment safety rules

- **Safety starts with approved appliances**—Look for a label from a testing laboratory before buying and follow all manufacturers directions thoroughly.

- **Operate appliances properly**—Always make sure your shelter or campsite is adequately ventilated at all times, never turn in for the night with a heater, stove, or lamp still burning.

- **Operate and store propane cylinders properly**—Always store, move and use propane container in an upright position, unless otherwise indicated on the cylinder itself. Keep cylinders and appliances out of the reach of children at all times.

- **Campground owners with propane tanks contact local suppliers**—A supplier will put propane delivery account on automatic, ensuring they will never have to worry about running out of fuel in spite of cold weather or treacherous road conditions, which could curb propane delivery trucks.

- **Take RV to dealer for a checkup**—The Railroad Commission suggests a qualified propane as dealer or licensed RV repair facility to examine the vehicle. The propane supplier or facility repair technician can check the system for leaks and the proper regulator settings, while also inspecting the valves and fittings. Also check propane tanks for rust and dents, as well

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Three former Masters Champions coming to Abilene

BY: AL PICKETT
Special Writer

ABILENE—The Public is invited to attend a free golf clinic Monday conducted by eight members of the Champions Golf Tour. The clinic is part of the Diamondback Charity Golf Classic, which will be held Monday, October 20 at Diamondback Golf Club, 1510 East Industrial Boulevard in Abilene.

The eight senior golfers include three past champions of the prestigious Masters golf tournament. Tournament host Charles Coody, the 1971 winner of the Masters, will be joined by 1969 Masters champion George Archer and 1973 Masters winner Tommy Aaron in the Diamondback Charity Classic, presented by Anderson Chemical Company.

The golf clinic is scheduled for 8:30 a.m., Monday. The one-day pro-am tournament begins at 9:30 a.m.

The event has given \$400,000 to its two charities Hendrick Hospice Care and Noah Project, in its first three years of existence. Last year's event raised \$145,000 for the charities, making it one of the most successful fund-raising golf tournaments in the country. The tournament is the major fund-raiser of the year for both Noah Project and Hendrick Hospice Care.

Joining the trio who earned the coveted green jacket for their wins at Augusta National Golf Course will be Dale Douglas, Howard Twitty, Lou Graham, Leonard Thompson and Bill Kratzert. Graham was the 1975 U.S. Open champion. Aaron, Thompson and Kratzert will be making their first appearance at the Diamondback Charity Classic.

For Archer and Kratzert, their trip to Abilene means a return to the Key City where they earned one of their professional victories. Archer won the 1990 Gatlin Brothers Southwest Classic in Abilene in his first tournament as a member of the Senior PGA Tour.

Kratzert won the LaJet Classic in Abilene in 1980, first year of that event before it became an official stop on the PGA Tour. Kratzert is now a golf commentator on ABC, Turner Sports and ESPN in addition to playing on the Champions Tour.

The Diamondback Charity Classic will feature 35 teams. Eight teams will play with one of the Champions Tour pros, and 27 teams will play with a North Teas PGA Section professional. The format will be a Teas scramble, which consists of one low net best ball of a fivesome, using 80 percent of each player's handicap with a maximum of 27.

Spectators are welcome to join the viewing gallery during the Diamondback Charity Classic for a minimum donation of \$5.

Hendrick Hospice Care provides quality care to patients with life-threatening illness, regardless of financial status. Noah Project has served as a center for victims of domestic violence. It has served more than 30,000 victims in 20 west central Texas counties over the last 20 years through its corporate headquarters in Abilene and three outreach centers.

Diamondback Golf Club opened in November 1999. It is a premier public golf facility situated on 220 acres of beautiful, rolling land with an abundance on mature oak, mesquite and hackberry trees. It is dissected by Lytle Creek, which winds through the course. Diamondback is an 18-hole, par-71 course that offers 12 acres of practice facilities. The course is open for daily fee-play as well as offering the option of an annual fee or corporate fee patron pass.

Members of the Diamondback Charity Golf Classic board of directors are also selling raffle tickets for a new Dodge Hemi pickup truck, valued at \$30,000. Ticket sales will be limited to a total of 500 tickets. Tickets are \$100 each. Tickets can also be purchased at the Star Family of Dealerships.

"Car for a Cure" You can Help the Cancer Society

(Austin)—The new 2004 car models are out this fall. New styles, low financing. Are you thinking of trading in your used car or truck? You may be able to turn your trade-in into a tax benefit and help in the fight against cancer by giving your vehicle to the American Cancer Society's Cars for Cure Program.

The American Cancer Society accepts all cars, trucks, newer RVs, or even boats, as long as they are in fair condition, have inflated tires, available keys and their titles are clear. Proceeds from the sale of your vehicle provide funding for the American Cancer Society to continue life-saving research, education, and patient service programs in communities across Texas.

"This is an excellent way for Texans to give to the fight against cancer," said John Kyger, of the Income Development Department for the American Cancer Society, Texas Division. "Once a person decides to contribute their working vehicle to the ACS, we make the arrangements to pick up the car. Tax information will be provided after the vehicle is picked up and an estimated value is assessed."

During this last year in Texas, the American Cancer Society supported 38 cancer researchers investing over \$20.5 million towards finding a cure for cancer. Over 19,300 cancer patients were helped through local Society programs and services.

For more information visit the American Cancer Society's Web site at www.cancer.org and click on Cars for a Cure or call 888-227-5500 Monday through Friday between 7 a.m. and 7 p.m. CST.

The American Cancer Society is the nationwide voluntary health organization dedicated to eliminating cancer as a major health problem by preventing cancer, saving lives and diminishing suffering from cancer, through research, education, advocacy and service.

Postal Service Sets The Overseas Holiday Mail Dates

WASHINGTON, D.C.—The Postal Service today made available its 2003 Holiday Season recommended mailing dates for delivery to military overseas APO/FPO addresses and international destinations by Dec. 25, based on economical air and surface transportation.

To insure delivery of holiday greeting cards and packages, the Postal Service recommends mailing by the following dates. Items for delivery by Hanukkah should be mailed five days prior to the dates noted below.

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• Remove batteries from toys. Wrap and place them next to the toys in the mailing box.

• Take packages that weigh at least one pound into the Post Office for mailing.

• Purchase packaging products, including tape, envelopes, padded bags, corrugated boxes, mailing tubes, and cushioning material from your Post Office. Some locations offer decorative boxes and expander packs that are suitable for mailing gifts.

Where the old South meets the wild West new brochure highlights attractions in North Central Texas

AUSTIN—The Texas Historical Commission (THC) launches its newest heritage tourism brochure, the Texas Lakes Trail Region. This colorful travel guide details the area's historic and cultural sites, as it explores the history of communities in North Central Texas from Paris to Dallas-Fort Worth to Wichita Falls.

"The brochure is a road map and a history lesson all in one," said Janie Headrick, director of the THC's Texas Heritage Trails Program. "This part of Texas has all sorts of gems for tourists, such as historic railroads, early settlement communities, great museums and recreational opportunities."

Separated into four user-friendly sections, the brochure guides travelers to the state's best-preserved dinosaur tracks, one of America's largest wine festivals and a new Civil War museum that interprets both sides of the war.

The region encompasses 31 counties including: Archer, Baylor, Bosque, Clay, Collin, Cooke, Dallas, Delta, Denton,

Ellis, Fannin, Grayson, Henderson, Hill, Hood, Hopkins, Hunt, Johnson, Kaufman, Lamar, Montague, Navarro, Parker, Rains, Rockwall, Somervell, Tarrant, Van Zandt, Wichita, Wilbarger and Wise.

The Texas Lakes Trail regional brochure is the eighth in a series of free brochures from the THC highlighting the historic people and places that make Texas unique. The Texas Heritage Trails Program is a regional tourism initiative that promotes tourism, revitalizes local economies and fosters community leadership through historic preservation.

For a free Texas Lakes Trail Region brochure or other heritage trail guides, please call 512/463-6254 or visit www.thc.state.tx.us/travel.

The Texas Historical Commission is the state agency for historic preservation. The agency administers a variety of programs to preserve the archeological, historical and cultural resources of Texas. www.thc.state.tx.us

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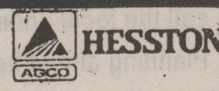

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KIWANIS OFFICERS—The new 2003-2004 officers for the Kiwanis club were installed by Lt. Gov. Bill Fielder. From left to right, Charles Rodenberger, Past-President; Fielder; Kathy Chesshir, Secretary; Ike Neal, President; Ronnie White, President-elect; Mike Redd, Vice-President. Board members LaJeana Hayes, Susan Schaefer, Roy Stambaugh and Bob Pipes. Not shown is Don Clark, Treasurer and Benny Callaway, director.

Texas FFA launches project to reconnect with former members

AUSTIN—The Texas FFA Association has launched a program to reconnect with the hundreds of thousand of students that have worn the distinctive blue and gold FFA jacket over the last eight decades. "The Texas FFA is celebrating 75 years of success through youth leadership development and agricultural education," said Tom Maynard, executive director of the Texas FFA program. "We want to hear from our former students about how their lives have turned out and how their FFA training helped them." Maynard said the 75th annual observance of the FFA's birthday in Texas is an excellent opportunity to locate the students that have been in FFA over the years. The organization plans to do that with a website, and a media campaign encouraging former students to make contact with the organization. To assist alumni in reconnecting with the organization, the Texas FFA has launched a new website: www.texasffa.org. Alumni can visit the website and click on the 75th Anniversary logo to submit their contact in-

formation. What started as an organization for farm boys in 1929, has grown into a large and sophisticated program that trains both boys and girls in agricultural science, public speaking, parliamentary procedure and a solid work ethic. "We believe FFA has matured into a progressive, inclusive and diverse youth organization teaching leadership, technology, career and character development," said Tobin Redwine, this year's student president of the Texas FFA Association. "We are eager to hear from all generations of former FFA members about how FFA has impacted their lives."

The Texas FFA initiated this project to reunite former Texas FFA members with the organization, to keep them informed about the organization and to let current members know how the Texas FFA can impact their own lives, through the experiences of others.

The Texas FFA is the nation's largest state FFA association with a membership of 58,753 and 977 local affiliates.



MR. AND MRS. PATRICK ARBOUR

Kirkham-Arbour Exchanged Vows September 27th

Courtney Helen Kirkham of Cross Plains and Patrick Joseph Arbour of Baton Rouge, Louisiana, were married on September 27, 2003. The 8:00 a.m. ceremony was held at the First United Presbyterian Church in Cross Plains. Pastor Grady M. Chastain officiated.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Clifton J. Kirkham of Cross Plains.

She is the granddaughter of Alice Roby and the late E.G. Roby, and the late Jay and Iva

Kirkham. The bridegroom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Michael W. Arbour of Baton Rouge, Louisiana.

He is the grandson of Mr. Lawrence J. Arbour and the late Blanche Arbour and the late Mr. and Mrs. James J. O'Keefe.

After a small family ceremony, a reception took place at the Kirkham home. Following a wedding trip to Belize City, Belize, Cozumel, Mexico and Playa del Carmen, Mexico, the couple will reside in Austin.



MR. & MRS. SHAWN ANDERSON ...married September 20, 2003 in Cross Plains

Hall and Anderson United in Marriage on September 20

Tami Lee Hall and Shawn Gwyn Anderson were united in marriage on September 20, 2003 at The Living Water Ministries Church at 2:00 p.m. in Cross Plains by Pastor Max Evans.

The bride is the daughter of Dana Hall of Cottonwood and Ernest Hall of Clyde and the granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Darwin King of Baird, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Hall of Clyde.

The groom is the son of Randy Anderson of Corpus Christi and step son of Betty Anderson and Debra Canipe of Marble Falls, Texas. He is the grandson of Colleen Anderson of Cross Plains and Carlyn Canipe of

Marble Falls. The bride was given in marriage by her father. April Diane Hall of Cross Plains was Maid of Honor and Glenda Tidwell and Jamie Lipe provided music for the wedding.

The bride is a 2002 graduate of Cross Plains High School and the groom graduated from Richard King High School in Corpus Christi and attended college at Delta Jr. College in Stockton, California and Delmar of Corpus Christi. He played on the professional Tennis Tour and coached tennis 4 years.

The couple will reside in Cross Plains.

Happy Birthday!

- OCTOBER 18**
Mrs. J. H. Balkum
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Sally (Stephenson) Adamski
Dennis Koenig
V.C. Carey
Tommy Clark
Malysa Ann Sowell
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Loys Edward Davidson
Lainey Harris
- OCTOBER 19**
Arthur Roady
Barbara (Hutchins) Vaught
Angela Ferguson
Forrest Burks
Johnnie Knott
Dub Meador
Cole Dwayne Koenig
- OCTOBER 20**
Cindy Knowles
Rosemary Smith
Bob Robinson
Tammy Klingberg
Travis Long
Chrystie Jean Patterson
Nathaniel Swift
Debora Meador Barron
Cody Leon Reed
River Dillard
- OCTOBER 21**
Kimberly (Hedrick) Jackson
John Harrigal

- Chas Ray Thornhill
Mrs. Cecil Wilson
Arvel Mitchell
Connie (Stout) Tillery
Donna Michelle Beeler
Nadine Nickerson
- OCTOBER 22**
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Stanley Honea
Brenda De-Ann Teague
Mrs. Reuben McCowen
Rodney Mac Jones
Bob Morgan
Leslie Cox
Cassie Gallaway
Steven Jack Horner
- OCTOBER 23**
Hugo Mauricio
Vic Curry
Ella Ruthie Roberts
Janet Shults
Barbara (Strength) Thomson
Marilyn Marie Murray
Jay Jackson
Wendy (Phillips) Key
- OCTOBER 24**
Jerry Hinkle
Bobby Davis
Larry Don DeBusk
Monty Joe Garrett III
Larry Spivey
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Edith Beggs
Jackson Logan Worsham

Lapsit

for parents, as their child's best teacher, to gather ideas for more learning experiences at home.

Stories, fingerplays, songs and games, repeated at home, all add to a child's cognitive development. Parents will also enjoy opportunities to meet other parents of toddlers to exchange notes, give support, and develop friendships.

Beginning Tuesday, October 21st, from 10 a.m to 11 a.m., the Cross Plains Public Library will host its first meeting with the parents only to introduce them to program then the following week we will have the program ready for both parents and babies. The ages of the children will be from birth to three years and then the child will move on to the next level of the program called the LAP program. This program has already been in the library pro-

gram for years and has proven to be very beneficial.

For parents who are interested and want more information, please contact the library at (254) 725-7722.

Submitted by Cherry Shults

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Calls received by the Callahan County Department of Public Safety from October 5, 2003 through October 11, 2003 include:
Cases Investigated
Warnings—33
Complaints—43
DWI—2
Driving While License Invalid—1
Possession of Controlled Substance—1
Fugitive Arrest-Theft—1
Vehicle Accidents
There were six vehicle accidents investigated during this time span.
People Arrested On Outstanding Warrants
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