

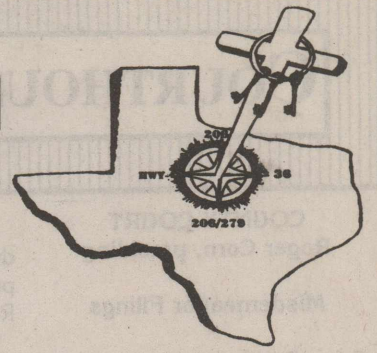


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EDITOR'S NOTE: Here may be the answer to the age old question—"How to stay young?" Everyone should be interested in the answer to this. What amazes me is how quickly the years have passed. The strangest aspect is that your mind feels youthful, but your body knows better. The following tips are really great ideas, so read and then get started on a new outlook! The clock is ticking!

(Thanks to my anonymous information provider. Keep sending me the goodies.) Vanda Anderson

"How to Stay Young"

By George Carlin

1. **Throw out nonessential numbers.** This includes age, weight and height. Let the doctor worry about them. That is why you pay them.
 2. **Keep only cheerful friends.** The grouches pull you down.
 3. **Keep learning.** Learn more about the computer, crafts, gardening, whatever. Never let the brain idle. "An idle mind is the devil's workshop."
 4. **Enjoy the simple things.**
 5. **Laugh often, long and loud.** Laugh until you gasp for breath.
 6. **Don't take guilt trips.** Endure, grieve, and move on. The only person who is with us our entire life, is ourselves. Be ALIVE while you are alive.
 7. **Surround yourself with what you love,** whether it's family, pets, keepsakes, music, plants, hobbies, whatever. Your home is your refuge.
 8. **Cherish your health:** If it is good, preserve it. If it is unstable, improve it. If it is beyond what you can improve, get help.
 9. **Don't take guilt trips.** Take a trip to the mall, to the next county, to a foreign country, but NOT to where the guilt is.
 10. **Tell the people you love that you love them,** at every opportunity.
- And Always Remember:**
Life is not measured by the number of breaths we take, but by the moments that take our breath away.



FAITHFUL COTTONWOOD MUSICAL PERFORMERS—Jay Hayhurst (from left), Cy Tucker and Bill Comeaux. (Musical photos courtesy of Wallace Bennett.)



SERVING UP THE VITTLES—Cottonwood Quilting Club Ladies Mary Ella Weaver (from left), Jean Draper, Mary St. Peter, and Lavonne Childress served tasty turkey, dressing and trimmings. Sharon and Richard Parr (right) wait in line.

50 Year Tradition Ends at Cottonwood

By Mary Ella Weaver

The Cottonwood Quilting Club will no longer have a monthly musical in Cottonwood. We would like to thank the community for their years of support; Dairy Queen and Subway for ice; The Sweet Shop for donations to our bake sales; Village Market for food items for our fund-raisers; local businesses for merchandise for our Country Store; the Cross Plains Frozen

Food Locker for slicing our meat; and the people in the community who provided whatever we needed.

Thanks to all the musicians who played on our little stage all these years and a very special "thank you" to those few musicians who faithfully came and played even when the crowds were few in numbers. Those of you who came to listen each month from all the surrounding areas became our friends and we will miss you.

Your support of the kitchen, bake sales, quilt raffles and our fund-raising suppers are appreciated.

The Cottonwood Quilting Club will still have two musicals each year, the Rehab Fund-raiser in August and the Turkey Supper and Building Fund-raiser in October. We hope you will again support us by coming back to Cottonwood.

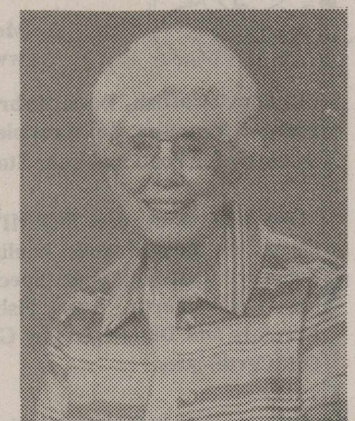
God bless you from the Cottonwood Ladies Quilting Club.

Rodenberger Book Signing Scheduled November 8th

The Cross Plains Public Library is hosting a book signing for Lou Rodenberger on November 8th, from 4 from to 5:30 p.m. *Let's Hear It: Stories by Texas Women Writers*, an anthology with twenty-two short stories is representing the development of the short story in Texas as women have developed the genre, accompanied by a history of the short story in Texas, has just been released by Texas A&M University Press. Co-edited by Sylvia Ann Grider and Lou Halsell Rodenberger, the book includes a futuristic story, "An Afternoon Nap," published in 1865, which predicts space travel, fax machines, and television. The collection includes three other nineteenth-century stories as well as stories representing popular magazine fiction and the more recent

literary tales.

Sylvia Ann Grider, folklorist and professor in the Department of Anthropology at Texas A&M and a specialist in material culture, is currently researching the creation of spontaneous shrines at sites of disaster and catastrophe. She has published essays on nineteenth-century women writers and provided the introduction to the reprint of the popular novel, *The Wind* by Dorothy Scarborough, first published in 1925. Lou Halsell Rodenberger, professor emerita in the Department of English at McMurtry University has published articles on Southwestern writers including the works of both Texas women and men writers. She has also published a number of essays based on the lives of her mother and father, Mabel and Carl Halsell, who taught for many



LOU RODENBERGER

years in the rural schools of Texas. For more information on the book go to the website: tamu.edu/upress/BOOKS/2003/grider.htm.

Dr. Grider and Dr. Rodenberger are also co-editors of *Texas Women Writers: A Tradition of Their Own*, a collection of essays

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"You Will Know Them by Their Fruit"

Matthew 7:16

By Wallace Bennett

This Saturday, as you drive about town, you will see a bunch of people hard at work around their neighbor's homes and yards wearing a smile on their face and a T-shirt emblazoned with the logo, "HELPING HEARTS & HELPING HANDS" on the front. A long list of sponsoring organizations and business enterprises will be plastered on the back. You will know they are at work doing good deeds, spreading happiness and good cheer, and helping their neighbors and the neighborhood.

They are all volunteers, hard-working citizens just like you, donating their time and resources by helping their neighbors live better. And you can join them if you desire!

Just show up Saturday morning, 7:30 a.m., October 25, at the Church of Christ Activity Building on Highway 36, just east of the Cross Plains business district. You will enjoy a FREE breakfast and get an assignment for a work project helping one of your neighbors with a task they cannot accomplish for themselves, due to age, health, or other circumstance.

The work will involve such tasks as mowing, raking, painting, cleaning and other household maintenance tasks. And you can

return to the Activity Building for a FREE Bar-B-Q lunch and an opportunity to finish the visit with your volunteer friends and a new assignment for the afternoon.

Sponsoring businesses and organizations for the 2003 Helping Hearts & Helping Hand project include the Texas Heritage Bank, Higginbotham's, West Texas Utilities, Village Market, Lawrence Farm and Ranch, Connie's Cuts and Curly, Bennett Electronic Security Team, Beta Sigma Phi, the First Baptist Church, the Church of Christ, and the First United Methodist Church.

Helping Hearts & Helping Hands is a local project of the Cross Plains Housing Initiative. It is designed to assist senior citizens, people with disabilities, and those with limited resources to live in healthier, safer and environmentally comfortable homes and friendlier community.

Members of the Board of Directors of CPAHI include Connie Kirkham, Regina Hart, Wallace Bennett, Tom Turner, Mike Redd, Ronnie White, Ron Watson, Wilma Lawrence and Roxie Thomas.

So please come if you can. If you can't, please honk, wave and smile at the workers as you pass by.

Jr. Class Fall Festival This Saturday Night

The Junior Class of 2003-2004 will be sponsoring the 2003 Fall Festival Saturday, October 25, from 6:00 p.m. until 9 p.m. It will be featuring the Haunted House, Hay Ride, Cake Walk, Board Games, Football/Basketball Throw and many other traditional

booths.

Admission will be \$2.00 for adults and \$1.00 for children. Tickets will be 4 for \$1.00. There will be attractions for all ages.

Please join the fun and support the Junior Class.

We Met the Author CARLTON STOWERS

Sponsored by the Friends of the Cross Plains Library, author Carlton Stowers, entertained a good-sized crowd Tuesday evening, October 14, at the Community Center. He discussed the writing of his most recent book, *Scream at the Sky: Five Texas Murders and One Man's Crusade for Justice*, which told of the murder of four young women in Wichita Falls, and another in Fort Worth, in 1984-85. Stower's book relates how 15 years later the efforts of John Little, an investigator for a prosecuting attorney, finally brought justice to the murder, of one Faryion Wardrip.

Mr. Stowers said the two questions people ask him the most are: "Why do you write on such a horrid subject?" "Where do you get your ideas?" *Scream at the Sky*, he said, answers those two questions better than any other book he's written. In his writing, he wanted to be able to explore the widest possible range of human emotion, something a "true crime" book certainly does. In the case of *Scream*, he said, what impressed him the most was the endurance of the families of

the murdered young women—in coping with their loss and with having the cases remain unsolved (and the murderer unpunished) for some 15 years. The murderer himself, Stowers said, is the least interesting person in the book.

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Special Music Performance Planned for Cornerstone Bible Church October 26th

Bro. Red Chamberlain and the Praisin' Jesus Singers will present a Gospel Singing Concert at the Cornerstone Bible Church in Cross Plains on Sunday, October 26th, beginning at 6:00 p.m.

Donald Duke, pastor of Cornerstone Bible Church cordially invites everyone to attend. Please come and enjoy the professional quality gospel music.

COURTHOUSE NEWS

COUNTY COURT Roger Corn, presiding

Misdemeanor Filings

Roger B. Hanson, driving while intoxicated (DWI).
Richard Evan Drew, disrupting meeting or procession.
Phillip G. Skaggs, possession of marijuana.
Richard Evan Drew, driving while license invalid (DWLI).
Roy Vance Turner, theft by check.
Cody F. Green, theft by check.
Carolyn Depew, theft by check.
Ricardo A. Salinas, DWLI.

Misdemeanor Minutes

John Morales, order revoking probation granted.
Cristie Immel, order amending conditions of probation granted.
End of term order discharging defendants under deferred adjudication; Mark Cruz, Russell Fiscus, Melissa Smith, Christopher Yates.

End of term order discharging defendants under misdemeanor probation; Dana Bailey, Billy Russell Hargrove, Jr.
Christine D. Rivers, order revoking probation granted.
Donald Booth, order revoking probation granted.
Richard Cardenas, order revoking probation granted.
Johnny Markham, order extending probation granted.

Marriage Licenses

Robert Bruce Harrison of Abilene and Mitzi Eloise Day of Baird.

42nd DISTRICT COURT John Weeks, presiding

Civil Minutes

Donna Lynn Baidas and Mark Joseph Baidas, divorce granted.
Donald Lawrence Depew and Carolyn Depew, divorce granted.
William Wyatt and Lindsey Wyatt, divorce granted.

OBITUARIES

Clifford King

Clifford King, 90, of Cross Plains, passed away Saturday, October 18, 2003.

Graveside services were held at 11:00 a.m. Tuesday, October 21, 2003, at the Cross Plains Cemetery with Rick Grant officiating. Higginbotham Funeral Home of Cross Plains was in charge of the arrangements.

Clifford was born May 24, 1913 in Wichita County, Texas to Christopher and Norabell King. He had been a resident at Colonial Oaks Nursing Home and Rising Star Nursing Center for several years.

Donie McCowen

Donie McCowen, 90, of Cross Plains, passed away Friday, October 17, 2003, at Brownwood Regional Medical Center.

Graveside services were held at 1:00 p.m. Sunday, October 19, 2003, at Cross Plains Cemetery in Cross Plains with Joe Coppinger officiating. Higginbotham Funeral Home of Cross Plains was in charge of arrangements.

Donie was born July 19, 1913 in Louisiana to John Harris Scott and Otha (Franklin) Scott. She married Raymond A. McCowen January, 1931 in Magnolia, Arkansas. He preceded her in death.

Survivors are her son and daughter-in-law, Alton and Joan McCowen of Cross Plains; several nieces and nephews.

Memorials may be made to the Cross Plains Public Library or the charity of your choice.

Maurine Barr Russell

Maurine Barr Russell, age 90, of Coleman passed away Friday, October 17, 2003, at an Abilene hospital.

Funeral services were held at 2:00 p.m. Sunday at Stevens Funeral Home with the Rev. John Stanislaw officiating. Interment followed in the Cross Plains Cemetery, under the direction of Stevens Funeral Home.

Maurine was born September 13, 1913, in Aquilla, Texas, the daughter of Clark M. and Mary Eliza Hardwick Wilson. She grew up in Callahan County and attended school at Dressy and Cross Plains. In 1928, she married Lester Carl Barr in Cross Plains and he preceded her in death in 1981. In 1992, she married Marvin Russell in Coleman. She moved to Coleman in 1981 from Cross Plains, where she had lived for many years. She was a homemaker, a member of the United Christian and Presbyterian Church, and a member of the Eastern Star. She was a volunteer at the Coleman hospital and member of the UCPC Women.

Survivors include her husband, Marvin Russell of Coleman; two daughters, Billie Jean Guilbeau of Lafayette, Louisiana, and Sandra Barr of Coleman; son, James Barr of Coleman; stepson, Marvin Russell, Jr. of Burnet; sister, Faye Dillard of Temple; brother, Douglas Ray Wilson of Waco; four grandchildren; and seven great-grandchildren.

Memorials may be made to the donor's favorite charity or Hospice of the Big Country.

Tylene Seymore Norris Stone

Tylene Seymore Norris Stone, 95, of Sulphur Springs, passed away Friday, October 17, 2003, in Sulphur Springs. Graveside services were held at 4 p.m. Sunday, October 19, 2003, in Mukewater Cemetery with the Rev. Raymond Jones and Joseph F. Noland officiating.

Mrs. Stone was born April 10, 1908, in Bangs, the daughter of the late Walter David and Lizzy Lee Brooks Seymore. She operated a home telephone office in Bangs and was a member of the Bangs First Baptist Church. She married Homer C. Norris and later, Charlie Stone; both preceded her in death.

Survivors include: daughters, Jo Sledge and husband, Marcell of May; Avis Noland of Austin; Betty Norris of Houston; Sue West and husband, John, of Sulphur Spring; sister, Ludie Norris of Cross Plains; 11 grandchildren; 18 great-grandchildren; five great-great-grandchildren; and a host of nieces and nephews.

Author

The idea for this book came about in a most interesting way. Mr. Stowers had written the book *Careless Whispers* about a series of murders that had taken place in the Waco area. The sister of one of Wardrip's Wichita Falls victims was acquainted with one of the Waco victims. She called Stowers a few years ago and asked if he might be interested in writing about the Wichita Falls murders because, she told him, "I think the case is about to be solved." About to be solved? Fifteen years after the crime? That captured Mr. Stowers attention immediately!

Carlton Stowers books are available at the Cross Plains Public Library—along with lots of other good books. If you haven't discovered your local library yet, now's a great time to *Check It Out!*

Submitted by Ginny Hoskins



Ruth Louise Clark

Ruth Louise Clark, 85, passed away Saturday, October 18, 2003, in Graham. Funeral services were held Tuesday, October 21, 2003, at 11:00 a.m. in the Morrison Funeral Home Chapel with the Rev. Kevin Henson officiating. Arrangements were under the direction of Morrison Funeral Home.

Mrs. Clark was born September 24, 1918 in Cross Plains to the late Chess Wilburn and Minnie Viola (Atwood) Barr. She married Clois Q. Clark October 25, 1936 in Cross Plains.

Mrs. Clark was a longtime resident of Pecos, before moving to Graham in 1996. She was a homemaker and member of the First Baptist Church.

Survivors include her husband of 66 years, Clois Q. Clark of Graham; two daughters, Vicki Ferrell and husband, Bob, of Houston and Kaye Turner and husband, Jess, of Graham; sister, Jean Petty, and husband, Ralph, of Abilene; grandchildren, Holly Lieou and husband, Narith, of Allen, Kevin Henson and wife, Kerry, of Wilmore Kentucky, Derek Turner of Weatherford, Keri Stuart and husband, Ricky, of Weatherford; great-grandchildren, Jordan Lieou, Kayla Henson and Trey Stuart.

She was preceded in death by an infant daughter, Jo Ann Clark.

Rodenberger—

on the history of women writers in the state.

The book signing is taking place on Saturday in connection to the Annual Fall Festival at the Methodist Church, so take the time on the way to the book signing to stay for a turkey dinner at the church or for take out at the Senior Citizens' Center across the street from library.

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Washington
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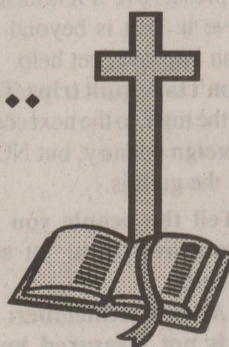
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PIONEER NEWS

WOW! Its was so nice to have all our members at quilting on Tuesday. We did get Olena's "16 Patch" out. It is very pretty. The Rehab quilt will go in the frame this week. We are working on Glenda's "16 Patch" and Charlene's "Flower Garden".

Do not forget that our Quilt Show and Country Store is not very far away. It will open on November 1st at 11:00 a.m. Come out and enjoy a great day!

Kathryn Brown from Fort Worth spent the day with her sister, Earlene Burge. They had a nice lunch and visit before she returned home. Earlene and Jessica Stultz in Brownwood Saturday and visited with Dee Ann Chisholm and Cindy Fuller. They all had a good time and it was late when they returned home.

Allen, Janice and family and Glenda Phillips went to Abilene on Thursday night to see Thomas Paul Marshall play football on the Junior Varsity Team for Midland Lee. They played Abilene High Junior Varsity. Thomas Pal is the grandson of Thomas and Nancy (Phillips) Wolf. They had a good visit with Nancy and Thomas and their daughter, Pam and her husband, Bill, and son, Phillip. Krista, Kali and Logan spent Saturday afternoon with Glenda. Kali wanted to cook yeast doughnuts (yummmmm). Of course, Logan was hungry so Glenda asked him what he wanted to eat. He wanted corny dogs, so Kali and Glenda made corny dogs before the doughnuts. The doughnuts were really good. Howard was there and wanted to know when the doughnuts would be ready. Sounds like the dough-

nuts were very good! Krista wanted to cook, too, but it took so long to do the doughnuts and clean the mess, that she didn't get to make anything. Next time, Krista! Guess who had to clean up the mess? (Bet we know.)

Kenneth Ray Lowry from Spring spent two weeks with his mother, Lessie Fae Baum. Oddie Kivlehen and Judy Harris from Abilene also visited Lessie Fae.

Charlene Chesshir has a surplus of cats at her farm. Friends of Jim's brought some kittens in the summer, then the bar cat got killed and left two kittens, so she is feeding five kittens at the shop. Someone asked if they had learned to come in the dog door yet. Charlene said, "NO, they will never find that!" Well, she woke up Sunday morning with the calico cat sleep on the foot of her bed! The black on was in the living room. (So much for Charlene thinking the cats can't get in.) Poor old Hank (the dog), will have to bark when he wants to come in now, because Charlene can't have cats in her house! They cause her to have headaches. Jim has been busy and hasn't been here in a couple of weeks. Come home Jim, your mother is missing you!

Jack Alexander was at the farm of his grandparents, James and Jean Alexander, over the weekend. He helped around the farm and watched football with his granddad. Jack is a senior at ACU.

Go out and watch your local ball teams. Only a few games left. Then there will be basketball to go see!

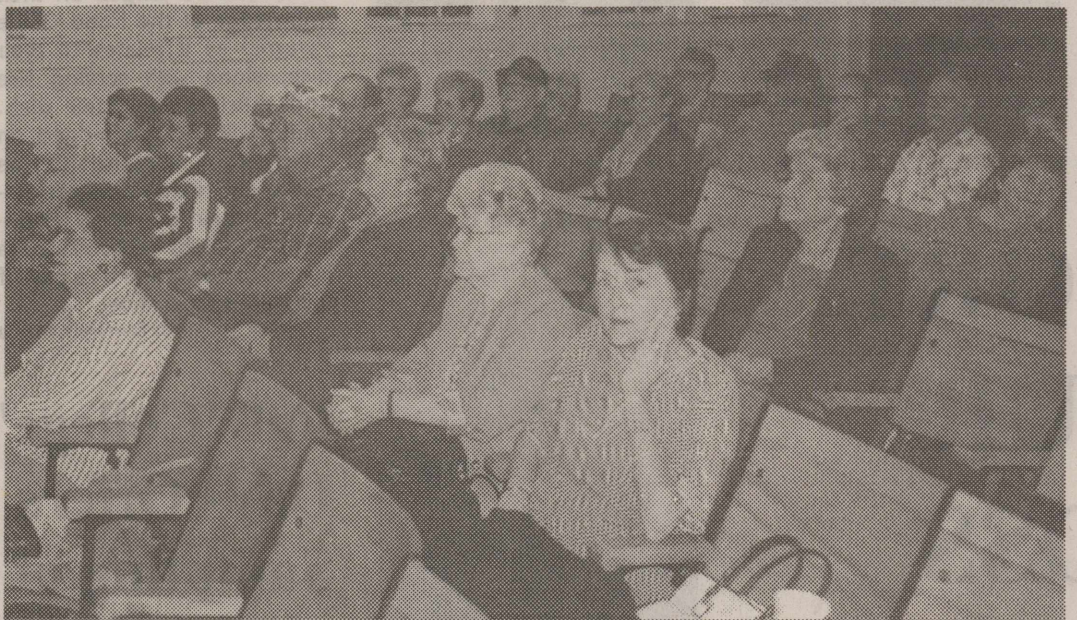
Word of Wisdom: Much happiness is overlooked because it doesn't cost anything. Oscar Wilde

COTTONWOOD NEWS

By WALLACE BENNETT



COUNTRY STORE POPULAR—Jacque Childress (center) and Lou Parrish (right) check out the merchandise, under the watchful eyes of Isla Stroud (left).



ENJOYING THE MUSIC—A large crowd listened to the country western tunes.



COTTONWOOD MUSICAL EMCEE—Mary Weaver introducing the next band.

Historic Designation Awarded Cottonwood's Oldest Cemetery

The Texas State Historical Commission has approved designation of Cottonwood's older cemetery as a Historic Cemetery, according to Albert Lovell.

The official certificate must be registered with the Callahan County Clerk's office and returned to the State Historical Commission and in due time, a Historical Marker will then be struck at whatever mills grind them out in Austin.

"When we receive the marker the Historical Association will plan a dedication ceremony," said Lovell.

So! Some progress at last. As Mr. G.K. Chesterton once wrote, "The mills of God grind slowly. But, they grind exceeding(ly) fine." In that vane, the mills of bureaucracy sometimes grind exceeding(ly) slower.

Musical Closes with Fond Memories and Many Regrets

Well, the Cottonwood Musical will play no more, and that is sad. Regrets were expressed by the musicians and audience alike. It deserves a better send-off and tribute than just this note, so please read about it on page one of this issue of the *Cross Plains Review*.

Cottonwood Connections

Once you live in and leave

Cottonwood, you just cannot forget it. And people who remember Cottonwood often testify that underneath the memories lies a repressed dream to return.

That's the way it was for this writer and that is the way it still is with Betty Kinnard-Odstroil, who once lived her and remembers life in the valley. She often returns for the annual homecoming.

Betty wrote, "I need to clarify some of my memories and don't know if you know the answers or not because of the war. We had a male teacher at one time—I am remembering Mr. Suddreth. Do you know? I remember riding the school bus with the Coats' and Ramey's and I remember my sis and I were running to catch the bus one morning. I was faster and ran ahead to hold the bus and she got mad as a wet hen because I hadn't waited on her. She started hitting me to the entertainment of all the other kids on the bus... On and off through the years I have had questions and of course most of the people who could answer me are dead now. Can you recommend a book about Cottonwood that would answer some of my questions?"

Well, Betty, I know how those memories of Cottonwood are and have suffered with those often hidden and secret dreams. And I

am glad I did return here to live.

I do remember Mr. Suddreth after WWII, and I remember a Mr. Willowby and Miss Beth Palmore, and a few other teachers after Prof. Harry Varner. But I never had them as teachers. So I don't know much more than that.

Betty also wrote, "I also have a friend here who is connected to Cottonwood and would like to know something about her relatives..." Her friend's family name was Hembree and Eunice and Minnie Hembree were sisters. Minnie married Porter Ledbetter, her (friend's) grandfather.

Betty is a cousin to Jack Jones, who with his wife, Uva, are citizens of Cottonwood. Betty requests folks who remember families and schoolmates or teachers of the by-gone years to contact her at bettyjk426@aol.com. Since I do not know how to ".com" I must confine myself to this column.

Correction

OOPS! I goofed. It has come to my attention that in the past I misspelled the name Parr. I do apologize. Richard and Sharon PARR (correct spelling) own and operate the KO Ranch on the western rim of the Cottonwood Valley and raise Longhorn cattle. (Please contact Wallace Bennett about news and personal items for this column at (254) 725-7474.)

QUIPS, CLIPS & COMMENTS

By Kay Mosley

Note: Batten down the hatches, and get ready for that old man winter, for he is coming. Already some days at certain times you can already feel his frosty breath.

"Floral Christmas Decor"

Lately in some of our columns, we have included some suggestions and/or tips for planned beds and gardens of flowers. Here are a few ideas for decorating porches, patios, yards, balconies, verandas and other outdoor areas.

Naturally, statues, cut-outs of wood, wrought iron, plastic, etc. can always be purchased to create vignettes, scenes, groupings etc., outdoors. On the other hand, you may choose to design and/or create your own outdoor decorations.

On the front steps or front porch, you can each day place several pots of red and/or white poinsettias or red, white and burgundy chrysanthemums on risers or other plant display racks with graduated shelves. Tie a large ribbon around each pot and make a LARGE bow. It will be lovely if we use our color scheme of blue and silver for a pot of white poinsettias or chrysanthemums. Choose a blue or silver pot and bow. Or you could use yellow chrysanthemums with a white or silver pot and ribbon for the bow. Red or burgundy mums would also be charming in a white, blue or silver pot with bow. After dark, place some luminaries behind and beside them. This really shows off and highlights any floral display you choose to create.

In this area, you may still have flowers and foliage alive and well and blooming, some right up through Christmas. If you have some beds containing red and white, burgundy, white, yellow chrysanthemums or other florals, and dusty miller among them, then your flower beds will fit gracefully into vignettes and scenes of Christmas. The dusty miller provides the silver color in your beds of colorful blooms.

A bale or two of hay, a doll carriage, a baby blanket, or pastel towel and you have the Christ child born in a manger. Use your imagination, either hang a star on a tow sack or other rough material and hang it behind the hay and the baby.

On a front porch or patio, place a white sheet or white square of styrofoam, add some stuffed, or life-size plastic bunnies and some potted plants or shrubs and place redbirds near their tops. Add a string or two of lights or a ring of candles or luminaries and you have a beautiful natural scene celebrating Christmas.

I realize some locals consider them also weeds, but I have transplanted some of those old white Christmas daisies. They don't bloom till it turns real cold and then they are covered with little white daisies. They make a beautiful show. Being white makes them very evident and you are almost sure to still have blooms on them at Christmas.

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WEDNESDAY - Beef Stew, Tossed Salad, Fruit, Cookie,
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Honestly, I don't go around looking for the bad! But if "cleanliness is next to Godliness," then people who litter must have never heard of Him!

Of course the Bible doesn't say the "cleanliness is next to Godliness"—it's one of those statements that has been attributed to being scripture so long that many believe it is. But surely anyone claiming to be Christian ought to become thoughtful enough to not throw their trash out for others to have to deal with—trash all the way from gum wrappers to containers from fast food places to beer bottles and cans to "who knows what"!

Whether from a Christian standpoint or just a good neighbor and citizen standpoint, perhaps the "Golden Rule"—which is scripture!—will help us do what's right: "Do unto others as you would have them do unto you" (a paraphrase of Matthew 7:12).

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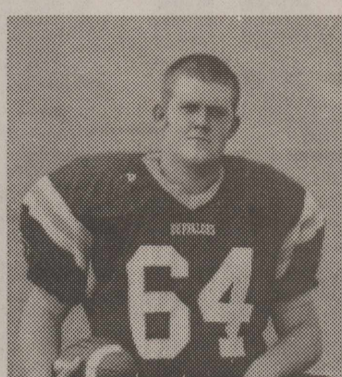
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PLAYERS OF THE WEEK

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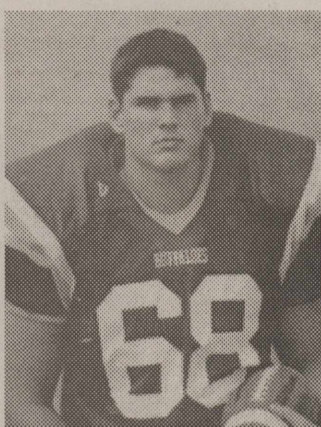


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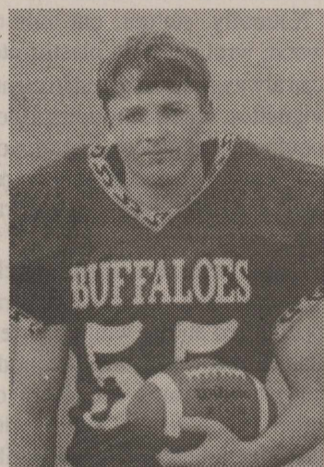


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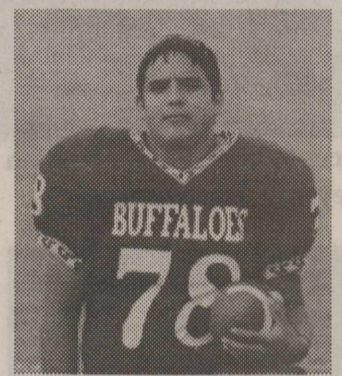
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190 Rushing (1 TD)
139 Passing (3 TD)
No Sacks



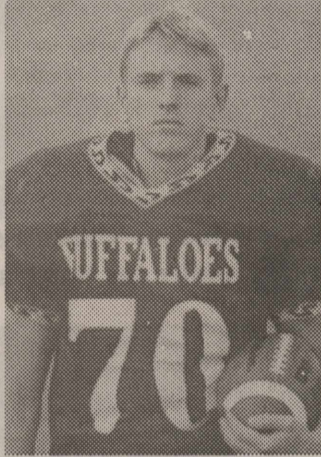
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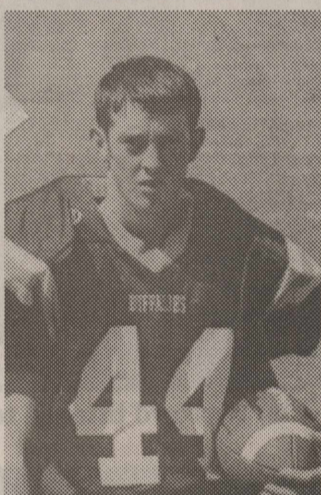


SOPH. RICKY GIBSON, Guard



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DEFENSE



MARCUS WILLIAMS
Defensive Back- Sr.
Tackles: Unassisted:5
Assists: 1, 1 INT

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Buffaloes Victorious

The Cross Plains Buffaloes used a ball control offense to defeat the Rising Star Wildcats Friday night. The Buffaloes had 67 offensive snaps compared to 39 for the Wildcats.

The Wildcats were able to score on their second snap from scrimmage. This was set up after the Buffaloes fumbled the opening kickoff return. The Wildcats led 7-0 after the first 28 seconds of the contest.

But the Buffaloes answered with a 17 play touchdown drive that covered 81 yards. On fourth and 23, Quarterback Dusty Dickson found receiver Russell Allen in the endzone for a 23 yard touchdown strike. Jose Mauricio kicked the PAT and score was tied, 7-7. In that drive, the

Buffaloes were able to convert a part of 3rd down and 4th down conversions.

The Buffaloes took the lead with 10:29 remaining in the first half. RB Michael Allen caught a 6 yard TD pass from QB Dickson. Mauricio kicked the PAT and the Buffaloes led, 14-7.

The score was soon tied again when the QB for Rising Star scored on a 62 yard run.

Following the kickoff, the Buffaloes fumbled the ball to the Wildcats. Rising Star was unable to capitalize thanks to an interception by Marcus Williams. The Wildcats scored their third touchdown of the game with 4:05 left in the first half. The score at halftime: Rising Star 21 Cross Plains 14.

After forcing the Wildcats to punt, the Buffaloes were able to tie the score with a 16 play, 94 yard drive. On fourth and six, QB Dickson found TE Andy Bennett on a 11 yard TD pass. Mauricio kicked the PAT to make the score 21-21.

Cross Plains recovered the onside kick when Brandon Phillips recovered the ball on the 43 yard line. The Buffalo offense scored on a 9 play drive. Dickson found the endzone from one yard out. Mauricio was good on the PAT and the Buffaloes led, 28-21.

The Wildcats did have a second and goal from the 7, but LB Jason Goains recovered a fumble to stop any scoring opportunity.

This was the first hint of playing like a TEAM. I was very proud of the effort our guys gave.

We have an open week this week. We will play May a week from Friday.

	CROSS PLAINS	RISING STAR
FIRST DOWNS	18	10
RUSHING YARDS	47-190 (1TD)	24/231
PASSING YARDS	18-11-139 (STD)(1INT)	13-4-47 (1INT)
PUNTS	2-30.5	2-48
FUMBLES-LOST	2-2	2/1
PENALTIES-YARDS	6-50	11-85

	SCORE BY QUARTERS				TOTAL
	1ST	2ND	3RD	4TH	
CROSS PLAINS	7	7	7	7	28
RISING STAR	7	14	0	0	21

SCORES					
NAME	TIME/QTR	DISTANCE	NAME	TIME/QTR	DISTANCE
(R.S.) Young	11:32 1st	23 yd. run	(R.S.) Young	4:05 2nd	1 yd. run
Russell Allen	3:15 1st	23 rec	Andy Bennett	1:48 3rd	1 yd. rec.
Jose Mauricio	PAT GOOD		Mauricio	PAT GOOD	
Michael Allen	10:09 2nd	6yd rec.	Dusty Dickson	9:59 4th	1 yd. run
Jose Mauricio	PAT GOOD		Mauricio	PAT GOOD	
(R.S.) Young	8:46 2nd	62 yd. run			

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Callahan County 4-H Food Show this Saturday

The Callahan County 4-H Food Show will be held on Saturday, October 25th at the Baird School Cafeteria. The sponsor for this year's food show is Lawrence Brothers IGA-Clyde. Over 30 youth from around the county will compete in four different age divisions in four different food categories. The categories will include main dish, fruits & vegetables, breads and cereals and nutritious snacks. Judging will begin at 10:00 a.m., with a tasting bee and awards presentation starting as soon as judging is complete.

The Food Show provides for educational and personal development and recognizes 4-H members who excel in the 4-H Food and Nutrition project. Youth will be judged on their knowledge of the Food Guide Pyramid as it relates to their dish, along with serving size and nutrients in their dish. Youth will also be judged on their communication skills as well as the texture and appearance of their food entry. Anyone who might be interested is invited to come and be a part of this year's food show.

Robert Pritz, County Extension Agent-Ag

Fall 'College' Days Offers Sampling of ASU Life

Angelo State University will host its fall "College Days" program on Saturday, November 8, to give prospective college students a taste, both figuratively and literally, of campus life at ASU.

In addition to sampling the various academic and extracurricular programs available at the university, students and their families will also be treated to a free lunch and will be offered complimentary tickets to ASU's 2 p.m. football game against Texas A&M-Commerce in San Angelo Stadium and the Rambelles' 7 p.m. volleyball game against Tarleton State in the Junell Center/Stephens Arena.

Activities begin at 9:30 a.m. with check-in at the C.J. "Red" Davidson Conference Center in the Houston Harte University Center at 1910 Rosemont. The program will begin at 10 a.m. in the Davidson Center with a welcome by ASU President James Hindman. Tours of campus will then be conducted, including a stop at the Food Service Center for the complimentary lunch.

Special information sessions also will be presented for students interested in ASU pre-professional programs, including nursing, physical therapy, pre-law and pre-health professions.

For more information on College Days, contact the Office of Admissions and Retention at (325) 942-2058.

SCHOOL MENU

OCTOBER 27 - 31

BREAKFAST

MONDAY - Sausage, Biscuit, Gravy, Assorted Juice
TUESDAY - Waffle, Bacon, Assorted Juice
WEDNESDAY - Poptart, Yogurt, Assorted Juice
THURSDAY - Hot or Cold Cereal, Toast, Assorted Juice
FRIDAY - Cinnamon Rolls, Assorted Juice

LUNCH

MONDAY - Chicken Patty on Bun, Chips, Salad, Pickles, Spice Cake
TUESDAY - Ham Slices, Spinach, Scalloped Potatoes, Rolls, Honey
WEDNESDAY - Chalupas, Salad, Corn, Pudding
THURSDAY - Lasagna, Broccoli w/Cheese Sauce, Garlic Sticks, Peach or Strawberry Cup
FRIDAY - Sandwich, Chips, Salad, Pickles, Brownie

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Commissioners will continue to meet on second and fourth Monday

Callahan County Commissioners voted to designate the second and fourth Monday of each month as the day of the week the commissioners' court will convene for the 2003-2004 fiscal year.

The commissioners took the action Monday, October 14 during the commissioners' court regular monthly meeting held at the County Courthouse in Baird.

The commissioners approved the order designation the day of the week on which the commissioners' court will convene. The commissioners' court will meet at 9:30 a.m. on the second Monday of every month and if necessary, will meet at 9:30 a.m. on the fourth Monday of each month. The commissioners' court meeting day does not change from the previous fiscal year.

Other agenda items brought before the commissioners' court included:

—The commissioners' court meeting was called to order at 9:30 a.m. by County Judge Roger Corn with Commissioners Tommy Holland, Charlie Grider, Harold Hicks and Bryan Farmer present.

—Commissioners voted to approve the commissioners' court minutes from the September 19 meeting.

—During time side aside for public comments, no one spoke to the commissioners' court.

—Commissioners voted to approve the purchase of new Christmas lighting decorations for the County Courthouse in Baird. The new Christmas decorations will include a new Christmas tree to place inside the foyer of the courthouse and to purchase four lighted Christmas trees to place outside on the courthouse lawn. The commissioners voted to spend up to \$1,000 for the Christ-

mas decorations.

—Commissioners voted to approve the purchase of an automatic sprinkler system for the County Courthouse lawn in Baird. The estimated cost for the automatic sprinkler system is \$2,500. Callahan County employees will perform the labor on the sprinkler system. The sprinkler system will be installed on the south and southeast corner of the courthouse lawn.

—Commissioners took no action concerning the approval of a maintenance contract proposal with Anthony Mechanical Services, Inc..

Wyatt Carrell, met with the commissioners' court to discuss a maintenance contract for air conditioning and heating units in the courthouse in Baird. The commissioners' court will again look at the proposal at its November commissioners' court meeting.

—Commissioners voted to approve a Commissioners' Court Order establishing a County Emergency Management Program in Callahan County.


County Judge Roger Corn said federal and state officials required Callahan County to establish the County Emergency Management Program and to cooperate with all cities inside Callahan County. Callahan County will receive grants to help establish the program.

Judge Corn will serve as director of the County Emergency Management Program and Cami Robinson will serve as coordinator of the program.

—Commissioners voted to appoint Dr. Raul Calvo, Jr. of Baird as the Local Health Authority for Callahan County.

—Commissioners voted to pay all approved bills and voted to adjourn the commissioners' court meeting.

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Healthy choices being taught with CATCH program

By Patti J. Patterson, M.D.

The problems today's children are facing are apparent. Many of the concerns for youth today stem from health-related issues. Obesity and diabetes are affecting more children than ever before. Most of these problems occur because of bad food and exercise choices, which begin early in life and continue through adulthood.

The Area Health Education Center (AHEC) of the Plains in Plainview - a joint project of the Hale County Hospital Authority and Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center - is assisting 12 West Texas schools with implementing the Coordinated Approach to Children's Health (CATCH) program. With the passage of Texas Senate Bill 19, school districts are required to adopt a comprehensive health program in their schools by 2007.

A program like CATCH, which has been approved by the Texas Education Agency, integrates classroom instruction and opportunities for students to practice making healthy choices - both at school and at home - that include getting more exercise and eating healthier meals and snacks.

CATCH offers school districts in the area a way to integrate classroom teaching on nutrition and exercise, cafeteria food management and choices, and increased physical education into their core activities. "Teaching kids the skills to form healthy habits is just as important as normal, everyday school work," said Pam Danner, program director for the West Texas AHEC program.

The program consists of classroom, parent, cafeteria and

physical education components. Each component teaches children concepts of healthy behaviors. The classroom element includes curriculum teachers can use to help third, fourth and fifth graders to make wise nutrition and fitness choices. In addition, promotional materials like posters and worksheets are designed to capture the children's attention and reinforce the message. These materials, Danner said, also influence what the children see in their school cafeterias.

Posters are not the only things changing in the cafeteria. Cafeteria employees are asked to look for ways to make food healthier. That means serving foods with less sodium, healthier snacks and better menu planning.

The physical education component recommends 90 minutes of moderate to vigorous exercise a week. These exercises include jogging, running, jumping rope, playing ball and racket sports.

Although each of these elements play a large role in the program, the parent component is no less important. This piece is necessary to help students make healthy choices at home, where they spend two-thirds of their time. Students are given handouts and worksheets that they can do with a parent's help. The CATCH program also has community awareness events where parents can learn how to make healthy snacks for their children and how to keep their children active.

Research on the CATCH program has shown tremendous results in improving children's nutrition and fitness behaviors. These behaviors will make a difference both now and in the long run.

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 festival and a new Civil War museum which 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 512/4636254 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.

DPS Needs More Troopers

DPS is kicking off a new recruiting drive to fill the next trooper training class.

The application deadline is November 7 for in-state applicants and October 28 for out-of-state residents.

"Retirements and an increase in the number of trooper positions continue to create challenges on the recruiting front," said DPS Director Col. Thomas Davis Jr. "We have already graduated 652 troopers the last two years, but we need a strong recruiting push to ensure a quality, diversified applicant pool to fill our next recruit school."

The six-month training academy will start February 2, 2004 in Austin.

Application packets can be picked up at the nearest DPS office and extensive information is accessible on the DPS Web site, www.txdps.state.tx.us <<http://www.txdps.state.tx.us/>>. In-

formation also is available by calling a toll-free number, 1-866-TXTROOP (898-7667), that rings directly into the recruiting office at DPS Headquarters in Austin.

Graduates are initially assigned as uniformed troopers in one of several services. After gaining experience, troopers can compete for a variety of assignments in the Texas Highway Patrol, Criminal Law Enforcement, Driver License, Administration and Texas Ranger divisions.

An applicant must be a U.S. citizen, at least 20 years of age by the time they are accepted as trooper-trainees and have completed 90 hours of college credit. Law enforcement, jailer or military experience may be used toward fulfilling the college requirement.

An applicant's background will be carefully scrutinized, including prior criminal history. DPS is an equal opportunity employer.

YWCA Hosts National Syndicated Columnist, Sharon Randall Oct. 31

The YWCA of Abilene will welcome national syndicated columnist and author, Sharon Randall, as the keynote speaker for a fundraiser luncheon event titled, "Empowering Women with Tools to Dream." The luncheon will be held at the Abilene Civic Center Friday, October 31, at 11:45 a.m.

Tickets are \$25 per person or \$200 for a table of eight. Call the YWCA office at 325-677-5321 or stop by the YWCA office at 1350 North 10th Street, Monday through Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. for reservation information.

Thursday evening, October 30, a party for sponsors only will be held for Sharon Randall fans

that would like to meet the syndicated columnist in person. Sponsorships are available starting at \$500. A minimum sponsorship also provides four reservations to the Friday luncheon event, along with two reservations to the private party Thursday evening.

The YWCA has arranged for Mrs. Randall to meet with the YWCA Y-Teens on Friday morning before the luncheon event to talk to the middle school girls about goal setting, aspirations and pursuing opportunities.

This fundraiser will go to support the YWCA and its three programs; YW-Care, Y-Teens and Breast Cancer Awareness.

Tree selection, planting program Thursday

As part of the ongoing Texas Forest Service Fall Lecture Series, Eric Copeland, Regional Urban Forester, will present a program Thursday, October 23, 2003 on the topic of Tree Selection and Planting. The session, beginning at 7:00 PM, will be held at the Taylor County Extension office, which is located on the grounds of the Taylor County Expo Center.

In addition, on Friday, October 24, Eric will hold a tree planting demonstration at a location yet to be determined. For additional information on the tree planting or the lecture series, please call the Taylor County Extension office at 325-672-6048 or the Texas Forest Service at 325-676-1260.

No Rabies Reported

There were no reported rabies cases in Callahan County during the month of August and September, 2003, according to the Texas Department of Health.

The Texas Department of Health's Zoonosis Control Division reported no animals from Callahan County were received at the Austin headquarters during the month of August or September.

In Texas, a total of 52 positive rabies cases were reported during the month of August. Those positive tests included 16 skunks, one fox, 30 bats, four cats, and one equine. A total of 885 negative tests for rabies were performed in August by the state.

For September, the state reported 51 rabies cases confirmed including 16 skunks, one fox, 30 bats, three cats and one equine.

Callahan County DPS Report

Calls received by the Callahan County Department of Public Safety from October 12, 2003 through October 18, 2003 include:

Cases Investigated
Warnings—97
Complaints—79
DWI—2
Public Intoxication—1
Driving Under the Influence of Alcohol—Minor—1
Open Container—2
Fugitive Arrest—Theft by Check—2
Vehicle Accidents

There were two vehicle accidents investigated during this time span.



A PLANTING DAY—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 (from left), Mary Ella Weaver, Julene Franke and Joyce Odom, broke up the ground and worked very hard to get the sign looking great for the city of Cross Plains. The club is very appreciative to Lois Garrett, Herman Weaver and Tom Bennett for their contributions so that the day could take place.

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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:

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

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Cross Plains residents listed on unclaimed property list

AUSTIN—More than 142,000 unclaimed property owners who have lost track of \$71 million in cash and other valuable assets could find their names in Texas newspapers on Sunday, Oct. 19, when Texas Comptroller Carole Keeton Strayhorn publishes the annual Unclaimed Property List.

"This is unclaimed property owned by Texans that has been reported to the state within the last year alone," Strayhorn said. "When you add up the money that remains unclaimed from previous years, the unclaimed property fund has now reached an incredible \$1 billion. That's the money that rightfully belongs to hardworking Texans."

"With so much money waiting to be claimed, it is important to take a few minutes to check the Unclaimed Property List every year," Strayhorn said. "As one tough grandma, I know that no Texan can afford to walk away from their hard earned dollars."

"While the state is holding this money, it is put to good use to educate our children and provide other essential state services, but I would much rather give it back to its rightful owners, especially in these tough economic times."

In addition to checking the Unclaimed Property List in the newspaper, Strayhorn urges Texans to visit her Unclaimed Property Web site, www.window.state.tx.us/up. The site contains the names of unclaimed property owners on this year's list and from previous years. The online database also includes unclaimed property owners who have less than \$100 in unclaimed property, whose names are not published on the newspaper list.

Unclaimed property can be anything from a forgotten rent or utility deposit, to an uncashed check, a dormant bank account or an abandoned safe deposit box. Banks and businesses turn these assets over to the state after three to five years if the owners cannot be found, but unclaimed property continues to belong to its rightful owners. There is no time limit to claim the money.

Cross Plains residents appearing on the unclaimed property list include: B.K. Eubank, J.H. Lee, and Staci Schlittler.

Since Strayhorn took office, she has returned more than \$300 million in unclaimed property to its owners.

Mailbox vandalism: A crime that affects everyone

You've seen it at the movies. For years it was considered a "rite of passage," teens leaning from their car windows, smashing mailboxes along the way. And unless their own mailbox was destroyed, most people thought it really wasn't any big deal.

Mailbox vandalism continues to affect secure mail delivery across the nation. That's the bad news.

The good news is that people are taking the crime—and it is a crime—more seriously. Four members of a high school football team were taken into cus-

tody after confessing to mailbox vandalism using baseball bats and pipe bombs. Fortunately, nobody was hurt by the bombs—described as powerful enough to kill or cause serious injury.

In the south, a man in a rural area used technology to solve a festering problem with vandalism that had reached what authorities call "epidemic proportions." After losing seven mailboxes to mailbox bashers over a two week span, he set up a video camera that captured two 16-year-old high school students banging the box off its post and then stealing the mail. Arrested a short time later, they denied the act until confronted with the videotaped evidence.

Rural and suburban mailboxes are most vulnerable to vandalism, according to Postal Inspectors, because they are usually isolated and frequently not visible to the owners from their homes. Since mailboxes are considered federal property, crimes against them are considered a federal offense. Violators can be fined or imprisoned for each act of vandalism.

If you have teenagers in your home, do your best to let them know the penalties for vandalism, the inconvenience and cost to the victims, and that the Postal Service does not take any of it lightly. If you have information on mailbox vandalism or mail theft in your area, report it to the Postal Inspection Service, by calling 1-800-ASK-USPS (1-800-275-8777).

Callahan Divide Soil & Water Conservation District taking windbreak tree orders

The Callahan Divide Soil & Water Conservation District is now taking orders for their Annual Windbreak Tree Program. Each year the District offers these trees to the general public on a first come first serve basis at a very inexpensive price. These windbreak trees come fresh from the Texas Forest Service Nursery out of Lubbock, Texas.

This year's selection of available trees includes four varieties of evergreens. They are Afghanistan Pine, Eastern Redcedar, Arizona Cypress, and Italian Stone Pine. These evergreen seedlings are being offered for \$2.00 each or \$50.00 for a box of 30.


In addition to the evergreens, several varieties of bare-rooted hardwood seedlings are being offered this year. The list includes Black Cherry, Bur Oak, Catalpa, Green Ash, Russian Olive, Shumard Oak, Aromatic Sumac, Sand Plum, Osage Orange, Nanking Cherry, Hackberry, Lacebark Elm, Desert Willow, Honeylocst and Smooth Sumac. These hardwood seedlings are offered in bundles of 10 for \$10.00.

We are also introducing four

wildlife packets this year. Each packet comes with four different species of trees. The packets include 25 of each type of tree. Available are packets for deer, squirrel, quail and pheasant and turkey. Contact the National Resources Conservation Service in Baird for information on which trees are included in a certain packet.

Tree orders will be taken until February 5th, 2002 or until supplies run out, whichever comes first. The trees will be delivered to Baird on February 13, 2003. All orders are pre-paid with a check or money order and delivery is guaranteed. These trees are delivered fresh from the Texas Forest Service Nursery on that date.

For more information on planning, planting and maintenance of windbreak trees or how to purchase these low cost seedlings contact the Natural Resource Conservation Service office in Baird, Texas at (325) 854-1349 Ext. 3. The office in Baird is located at 141 W. 4th Suite B. Order forms and information may also be obtained at the Albany, Texas NRCS office. The number is (325) 762-2552 Ext. 3.




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