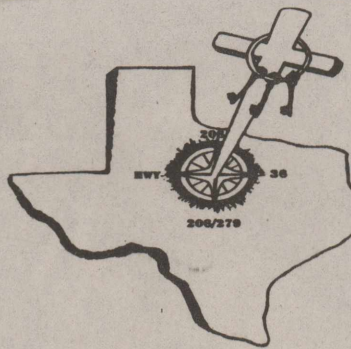


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## DOWN HOME

**EDITOR'S NOTE:** I wish I knew who mailed "Appreciate The Thorns", even if you didn't want your name published. Yes, I loved the beautiful story and it is perfect for Thanksgiving. I hope this meaningful message will encourage many readers to "hang in there". We all need a reminder concerning life's thorns. This brings to mind the fact that Jesus wore a wreath of thorns when He gave His life for us. Oh, how very, very much we have to be thankful for. Here's wishing everyone a wonderful THANKSGIVING and remember to be thankful to our Heavenly Father for all our many blessings. **Vanda Anderson**

### "Appreciate The Thorns"

Thanksgiving was fast approaching and Diane had little to be thankful for. It seemed that she had met with tragedy at every turn recently. In an effort to take her mind off her troubles, she went to a flower shop in search of a cheerful arrangement. She noticed a woman at the counter purchase what appeared to be a bouquet of thorns.

"Did you just sell that woman an arrangement of thorns?" Diane inquired wrinkling her brow.

"Yes, I certainly did," answered the smiling shop owner. "That's our Thanksgiving Special!"

"But how can you consider a bunch of thorns 'special'?"

"Seems crazy, I know," explains Linda, "but you have to take the good with bad to truly know harmony. I learned to appreciate life's thorns a long time ago. When my husband passed away, I didn't even know how to balance my checkbook. Suddenly, I was responsible for running this place. That was 15 years ago. I'm convinced that it's life's thorns that allow us to blossom."

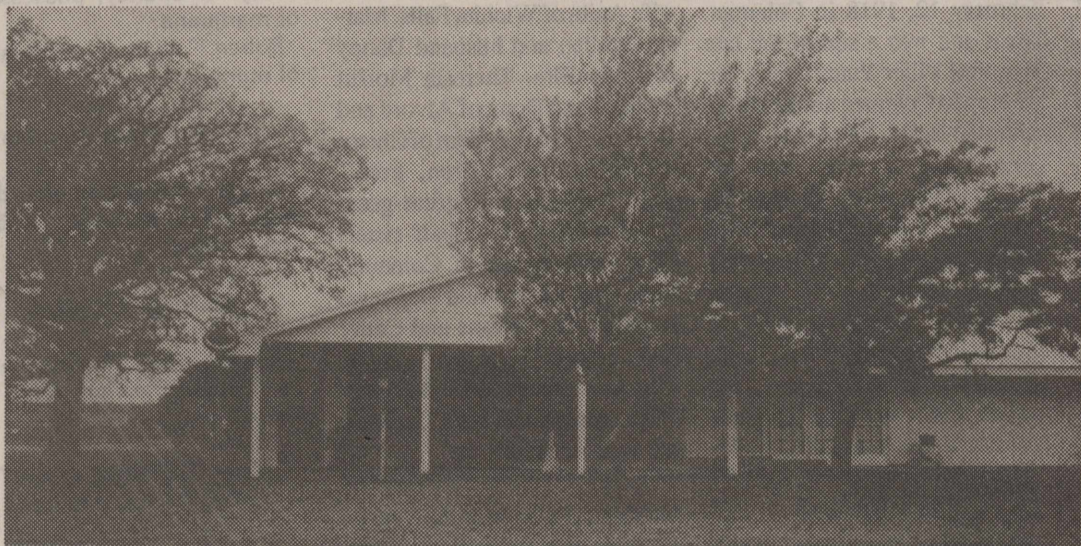
Just then a gentleman entered the shop. "Linda, are my thorns ready?"

"Got'em right here," Linda replied, showing the man a box of long-stemmed thorny roses-minus the flowers.

"Are you giving those to your wife?" Diane asked the man.

"Oh yes!" the man exclaimed. "But why?"

"This bouquet helps us refocus on what's important in our marriage and our lives. For us, each thorn represents a problem that we've struggled to overcome. Every Thanksgiving, we take time to appreciate the thorns that have carried us through the 40 years we've been together."



THE HOME OF R.T. AND YVONNE PEEVY

## "Holiday Tour of Homes" Offered by Local Sorority

### SOMETHING FOR EVERYONE'S INTEREST AT THE PEEVY HOME

History abounds in the home place of R.T. & Yvonne Peevy! And, there is something interesting for MEN and WOMEN alike. For you men who may think the Christmas Tour of Homes is "only for the women folks" - think again. R.T. will be home and have his extensive Indian arrowhead collection for display where you can view and discuss and admire them.

Located in the Cottonwood community, you may not know how to find it. No problem. Yvonne says that she tells everyone, "Go south past the Childress' farm, then across the wooden bridge and our place is the first one with the mailbox hanging from a tree with bailing wire!" Now, everyone knows that a staple of living for farm people is baling wire - but still, Yvonne says she is really hoping that Santa Claus will bring her a new mailbox - INSTALLED - for Christmas.

A beautiful St. Augustine covered yard frames this property which has been in the family since 1927 when Yvonne's aunt and uncle bought it after their marriage; then sold it to her parents. "Sunday House" as it was

referred to by the Peevys was built in 1956. Her parents - with the help of Yvonne and R.T. - built the home from the red tile so familiar to us from that decade. The Peevys lived in Abilene at the time and would drive out on the weekends to work on the house. This was a dairy farm and Yvonne would often times milk the cows in order for R.T. and her father to work on construction. You'll want to notice the fireplace which was begun by R.T. and completed by Yvonne's dad.

Throughout the years, changes and additions have been made to the house. This may be the only home in Callahan County with TWO KITCHENS! The additional one, of course, was added when Yvonne's famous candy making business - now called "Sweet Stuff" - began in order to meet the requirements of the state of Texas. But what is inside the house will be of utmost interest and joy to behold! Entering the living room, the first item to take your breath away is the spectacular sofa which, when purchased, was dirty and virtually ruined. It has been re-upholstered and varnished. You'll have to come to the home for the rest of the story - and description! If you're familiar with an "Eastlake" one sided arm chair, you'll want to see this adorable piece of furniture.

You'll see a unique English, glass sided "liquor cabinet" complete with original finish and a "dough board type" slide out shelf. It is suspected that this 1930's piece of furniture was used during the prohibition days. How about a stunning Chippendale table from the 1890's? There is an 1890's youth chair (convertible from a stroller into a high chair) with the original finish which takes ones breath away. At one end of the living room hangs the mirror which came from R.T.'s parent's home, as well as an antique oil lamp. This lamp adorns one of the most unusual round carved tables you could ever hope to see. (Yvonne says she "hinted" it away from a dear friend in Midland.)

Before leaving the living/dining rooms you'll discover a beautiful separate room which is the game room - a place where many bridge games have been played by some of our especially brilliant and charming ladies of this area. But, the "lady of this home" has more talents than making the best homemade candy in the world - take a look at the upholstery work she did on her dining room chairs.

A bedroom is furnished with a beautiful, wood "Uncle Jack" bed which was made before the Civil War. You'll want to hear how this was retrieved from a junk pile in one of the old farms of this area. Matching the unique bed is a wash stand complete with worm holes in it. Many more surprises await you in this historic home.

The Peevys and your other friends and neighbors, who have opened their homes for you to view, have worked hard to be ready for your visit! Don't disappoint them. And you'll be contributing to your community in the spirit of Christmas by helping the Alpha Rho Zeta chapter of Beta Sigma Phi as they contribute to the scholarships, eyeglasses for children, and many other service projects.

Submitted by,  
Mary Ann Chaffin

(The date is December 6 from 2:00-6:00 p.m. and the cost is only \$5 per person. Tickets are available from any sorority member, or calling 254-725-6476 - or you may purchase them at the door of any of the six homes.)

See Your Home  
Photo and  
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## Elementary Students Build Character thru Food Drive Project

Cross Plains Elementary would like to invite the community to help with their FOOD DRIVE (non-perishable items only) December 1 thru December 12. This will kick off our Character Counts Pillar of Responsibility. Responsibility is one of the Six

Pillars of Character. As adults, we owe it to the next generation to teach this pillar and make character count in our community. Please send your non-perishables with a student or bring them by the Elementary office during school hours.

## Santa Is Coming to Cross Plains SOON!!

Thanksgiving is here—Santa is not far behind. The Kiwanis Club of Cross Plains has arranged for Santa's trip from the North Pole for him to be here at 6 p.m. on Friday night, December 5. Santa anticipates meeting all the children and adults at the Cross Plains Library Annex (just north of the Library) as he arrives in Cross Plains on the fire truck.

Every child present will be able to visit with Santa and have his/her picture taken with him. In addition to the visit and free photograph with Santa, each child will receive a sack of candy and one (1) number for drawings at the end of the program. (Additional photographs may be purchased for \$1 each.)

Sausage wraps (\$1.25) and cold

drinks (\$.50) will be available and each purchaser will receive two (2) numbers for drawings at the end of the program. Drawings will be for fifteen (15) turkeys and eight (8) gifts of \$25 cash each.

Drawings will begin immediately after the children are finished visiting and taking pictures with Santa. There will be live and taped music to be enjoyed during the children's picture taking time. There is no general registration this year for the drawings and recipients must be present to receive the prizes provided by the Kiwanis Club.

The Kiwanis Club encourages everyone to attend, participate and enjoy Santa's visit to Cross Plains!

## Liveoak Land and Real Estate Proud to Welcome Karen Lenz

Karen Lenz brings a wealth of experience in Real Estate Marketing to Cross Plains having received her state license in 1993. She was active in Real Estate in the metro-plex before moving to our area in 1997. Karen also holds an insurance and securities license.

Karen's husband, Wayne, is employed by Hendrick Health Systems as a Radiology Technician. They have four children and are active in the Baptist Church.

Karen's caring attitude toward others and her financial credentials are real assets to the Liveoak commitment to put your needs first.

You will enjoy meeting and



KAREN LENZ

working with Karen. We invite you to call her at 325-625-4181 for personal, professional real estate service.

## Immunization Clinics Told

Texas Department of Health will hold the following immunization clinics in Callahan:

Monday, December 8  
Baird Cafetorium, 400 West 7th  
10 - 12

Cross Plains Housing Authority  
233 N. Main  
2 - 4  
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Wednesday, December 10  
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November 28th



IT'S TURKEY TIME—Great food was served during the annual Thanksgiving Day dinner at Cross Plains Senior Citizens' Center.



A LARGE CROWD ENJOYED THE MEAL—Local residents await their "special" lunch at Senior Citizens' Center.





## C.P. STUDENT REVIEW

### Varsity Buffs Basketball Report

By Coach Wilcoxon

The Buffaloes dropped their second game on Friday to Evant 48-66. Poor shooting and turnovers hurt the Buffaloes. The Buffaloes shot 32% from the floor and 42% from the free throw line. They had 33 turnovers.

The Buffaloes ran a full court press most of the game and created several turnovers. Leading the team in steals was Marcus Williams with 3. Williams also created 2 turnovers as did Andy Bennett, Jose Mauricio, and Sammy Gardner.

Leading the team in rebounds was Michael Allen with 8. Russell Allen and Dusty Dickson added 5 each. Michael Allen led the team in assists with 5 and Russell Allen added 4. Scoring was Jason Goains with 9, Bennett 7, Mauricio 7, Williams 6, Dickson 6, M. Allen 5, Sammy Gardner 5, R. Allen 3.

The Buffaloes lost a close game in DeLeon last Tuesday 30-38. Poor shooting percentage was the difference in the game. The Buffaloes shot 21% for the game and were 0-18 from behind the 3 point line.

The Buffaloes played good defense and forced DeLeon to take several hard shots and turn the ball over.

Leading in steals was Jason Goains with 5. Goains also led in rebounds with 12 while Michael Allen added 11.

Scoring for the Buffaloes was Goains with 7, Bennett 6, Mauricio 5, R. Allen 4, Dickson 4, Williams 2 and M. Allen 2.

### J.V. Buffs Basketball Update

By Coach Wilcoxon

#### JV BUFFS VS DELEON

Excitement filled the air for our first basketball game. The J.V. Buffs held the lead early, but the game went back and forth many times.

The first quarter ended with an 8-8 score. The Bearcats found an outlet on the defense rebound to #20, Williams, who scored 26 points of their 50. The second quarter ended with a 15-21 score. In the second half, the the Bearcats continued their defensive rebound outlet to lead the Buffs with a final score of 30-50. The Buffs shot 27% from the line while the Bearcats shot 25% from the line.

#### JV BUFFS VS EVANT

The J.V. Buffs improved their record to 1-1 Friday night.

The Elks started an early lead of 3 until the Buffs gained their feet to end the first quarter 13-3. The second quarter was better than the first with the Buffs outscoring the Elks 18-5 improving the half-time score to 31-8. With such a lead, the starters were pulled and everyone saw plenty of playing time. The Buffs only scored 4 second-half points to leave with a final score of 35-23. The Buffs were 60% from the free throw line while the Elks were 37.5% from the line.

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## Lady Buffs Improve 2-1 J.V. Baseball Report

By Coach Gill

The Cross Plains Lady Buff basketball season is underway as the girls have played three games to open their season. Monday evening in Cross Plains, they hosted the Rotan Yellowhammers and held on to a 52-39 victory. Twenty two points in the first quarter got things off in a positive manner for the Lady Buffs. This was the best defensive performance of the season for the Lady Buffs as the girls are doing a much better job of handling screens, denying dribble penetration, and helping each other around the basket. An area that still needs addressing is transition defense and it's an area that must be improved for the Lady Buffs to play their best basketball. Offensively, the Lady Buffs used a strong transition game and solid screening and cutting to build an early lead. After that, Rotan switched to a zone defense allowing Cross Plains to get some uncontested shots. Enough of them went in to secure the victory. Cross Plains is now 2-1 while Rotan falls to 2-3 with the loss. Girls that contributed to this victory were Jesse Norris, Britany Adams, Kali Phillips, Dayna Bennett, Jesse James, Bree Dillard, Kelsee Richards, Nicole Clark, Amanda Rivard, and Stephanie Edington. Managers for the team are Karen Ross and Michaela Wallace. They both do an outstanding job of helping the

girls prepare for the game. In addition, the Lady Buff Junior Varsity also defeated Rotan to improve to 2-1 as well. Members of the team are Mykea Douglass, Karen Scott, Loli Vasquez, Christina Avants, Samantha Hutton, Kim Mosier, Naomi Isbell, and Misty Callaway.

Last Friday, the Lady Buffs traveled to Evant and held off the Elks by a score of 61-45. The game was very close until the Lady Buffs outscored the Elks 35-18 after halftime. The Elks had some strong shooters and skill players but were not very big. This allowed the Lady Buffs to go inside to their post players Kelsee Richards and Jesse James for some high percentage shots. The game was a battle and both teams played hard. An area that needs improving for the Lady Buffs is limiting turnovers. Once this happens, the Lady Buffs will be a much better team. The junior varsity also defeated the Elks last Friday.

On Tuesday, the Lady Buffs were defeated by a very tough DeLeon team. The final was 86-22 and it was every bit as ugly as it sounds. The only bright spot in this one is that DeLeon is going to do that to a lot of people. The junior varsity was defeated by a similar score as well.

Upcoming games for the Lady Buffs include Lometa, Zephyr, and the Rising Star tournament. Best of luck to all the basketball teams this season.

By Coach Dillard

**Tuesday, November 18, 2003**  
The High School basketball season has finally started. This first game with DeLeon JV was a big loss for the JV girls. The girls put up shots but the ball failed to fall in the hoop. (CP 8 - DeLeon 63).

Team Members were: Mykea Douglass, Naomi Isbell, Loli Vasquez, Kim Mosier, Karen Scott, Misty Callaway, and Samantha Hutton.

Team Scorers were: Douglass, Vasquez and Hutton.  
The JV will regroup and get ready for our next games.

**Friday, November 21, 2003**  
This was a great win after

Monday's game. The girls traveled to Evant and played a very defensive game. The JV's defensive press would cause the Elks to turn the ball over for a CP score. (CP 49 - Evant 14) Good Hustle!!  
Team Scorers were: Douglass, Isbell, Vasquez, Mosier, Scott, Callaway, and Hutton.

**Monday, November 24, 2003**  
Cross Plains JV battled with Rotan JV with super hustle. CP JV played strong in the second quarter and had a 12 point lead. Rotan came back strong in the second half of the game, but we held on to the lead. (CP 31 - Rotan 23).

Team Scorers were: Douglass, Isbell, Vasquez, Mosier, Scott, and Hutton.

## Junior High Girls Basketball Report

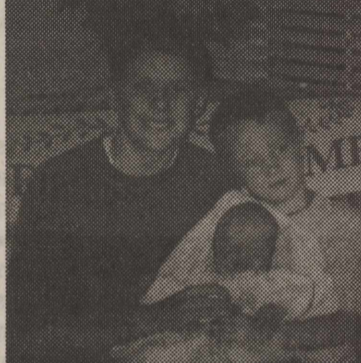
By Coach Dillard

**Monday, November 24, 2003**  
The Jr. High girls played a stormy game against Albany. Albany is a very "aggressive" group of girls. Cross Plains tossed up the ball for shots several times but the ball didn't fall in the hoop. The girls never slowed down they showed lots of hustle. Final score CP 8 - Albany 48.

Teams Members: M. Rose, B. Stout, E. Harris, C. Burrhus, M. Cook, T. Augustine, B. Mathews, S. Schaefer, A. Gallaway, H. Biggs, T. Walker, and K. Phillips.  
Team Scorers were: Augustine, Mathews, Schaefer, and Phillips.  
The next game will be Monday, December 1, 2003 at home against Gorman. There will be four games beginning at 4:00 p.m.

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His proud parents are Keith and Staci (Weiss) Mayo of Whitehouse.  
Maternal grandparents are Will and Glenda Weiss, of Cross Plains. Easton also has several aunts, uncles, and cousins.

## SCHOOL BOARD MINUTES

November 20, 2003

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

The following administrator was in attendance: Superintendent Jackie Tennison.

Prayer was led by Reggie Pillans.

Minutes were approved as read.  
Motion was made by D. Dillard

and seconded by Bennett that they accept the contract with Abilene Regional Day School Program for the Deaf. For 7 Against 0

Motion was made by Cook and seconded by V. Dillard that they approve update 71 with local changes. For 7 Against 0

They entered an Executive Session at 8:10 p.m. and were out at 8:57 p.m.

Motion was made by Bennett and seconded by D. Dillard to adjourn.

## SCHOOL MENU

DECEMBER 1 - 5

### BREAKFAST

**MONDAY** - Eggs, Bacon, Biscuit, Assorted Juice  
**TUESDAY** - French Toast, Sausage, Assorted Juice  
**WEDNESDAY** - Muffin, Assorted Juice  
**THURSDAY** - Hot or Cold Cereal, Assorted Juice  
**FRIDAY** - Cinnamon Roll, Yogurt, Assorted Juice

### LUNCH

**MONDAY** - Pizza, Salad, Carrots, Pudding  
**TUESDAY** - Chicken Nuggets w/ Gravy, Creamed Potatoes, Broccoli/Cauliflower, Rolls, Peaches  
**WEDNESDAY** - Enchiladas, Corn, Salad, Jello w/Fruit  
**THURSDAY** - Chicken Pot Pie, Crackers, Green Beans, Apricots  
**FRIDAY** - Hamburger, Lettuce, Pickles, Tomato, Fries, Cookie

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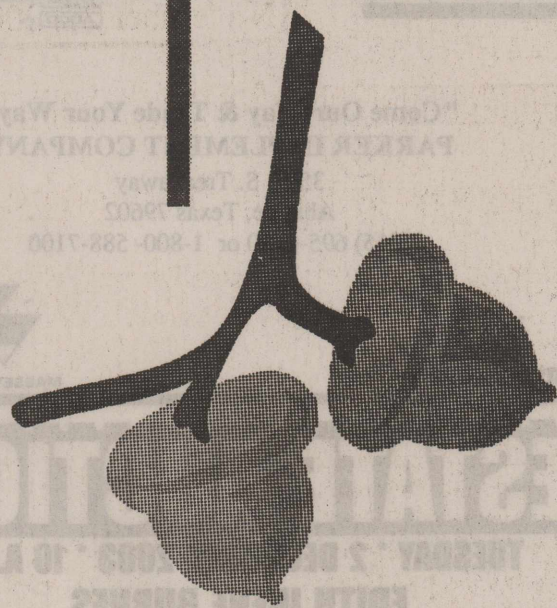
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As you begin using decorative lighting in and around your home this holiday season, AEP reminds you to keep safety in mind. Check light strings for frayed cords, and use only UL-approved lights and extension cords. Remember not to overload circuits, and remind children not to touch lights or outlets. And on behalf of all of us here at AEP, please enjoy a safe, bright holiday season with your family and friends. **AEP is there, always working for you.**

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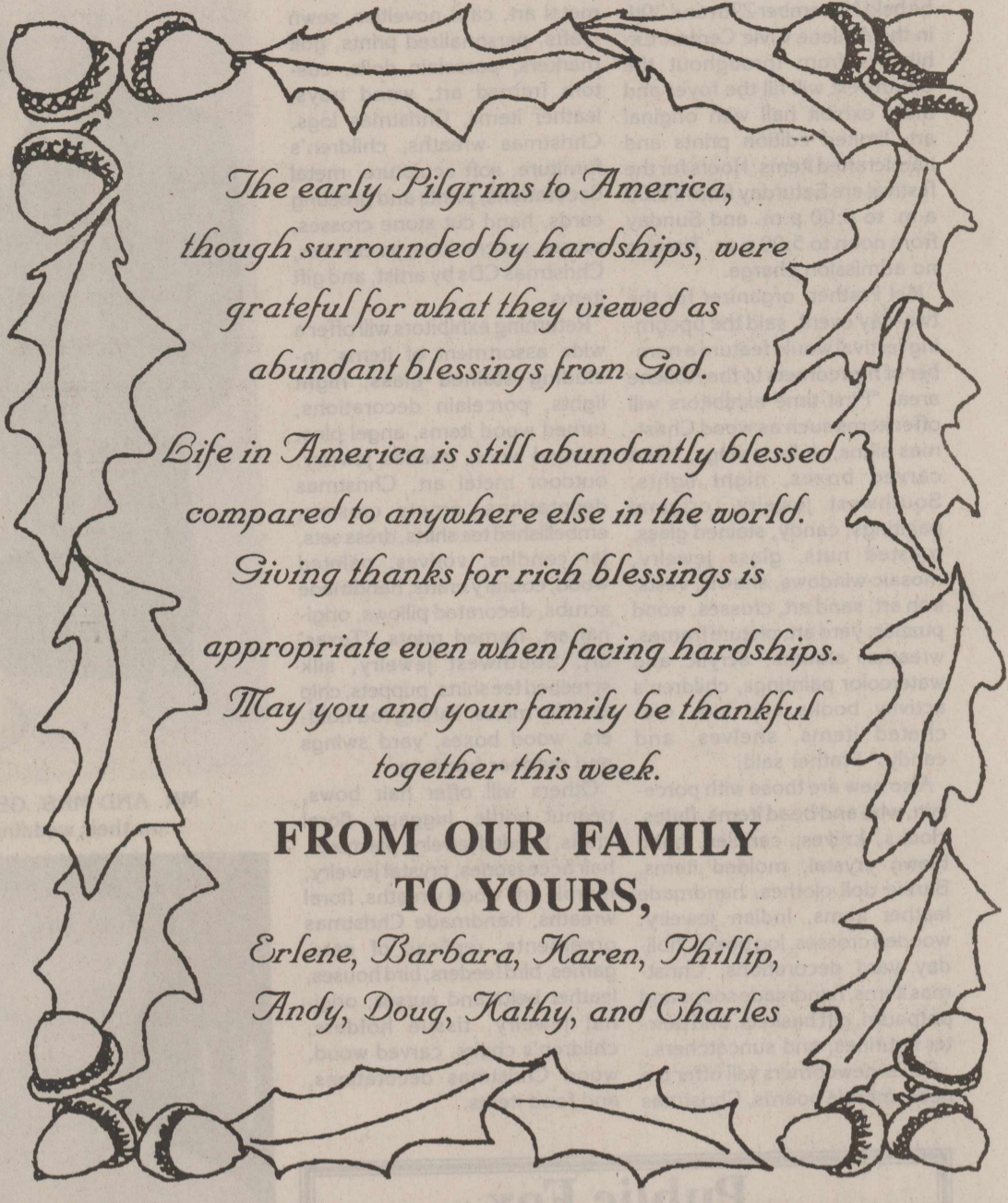
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**Abilene Christmas Arts & Crafts Festival is Nov. 29-30 in Civic Center**

The 11th annual Abilene Christmas Arts and Crafts Festival will be held November 29th and 30th in the Abilene Civic Center. Exhibitors from throughout the Southwest will fill the foyer and main exhibit hall with original art, limited edition prints and handcrafted items. Hours for the festival are Saturday from 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. and Sunday from noon to 5:00 p.m. There is no admission charge.

Mel Prather, organizer for the two-day event, said the upcoming festival would feature a number of newcomers to the Abilene area. "First-time exhibitors will offer items such as wood Christmas signs, dolls, swings, hand carved boxes, night lights, Southwest jewelry, original paintings, candy, stained glass, roasted nuts, glass jewelry, mosaic windows, shawls, vests, iron art, sand art, crosses, wood puzzles, yard art, picture frames, wreaths, albums, acrylic and watercolor paintings, children's activity books and kits, crocheted items, shelves, and candy," Prather said.

Also new are those with porcelain, wire and bead items, flutes, clocks, knives, candles, hand blown crystal, molded items, Barbie doll clothes, handmade leather items, Indian jewelry, wooden crosses, log boxes, holiday yard decorations, Christmas items, handmade soaps and potpourri, gift baskets, and pewter figurines, and suncatchers. Other newcomers will offer tee pees, marble boards, Christmas

metal art, painted wood, wood clocks, gold jewelry, western metal art, card novelties, sewn crafts, personalized prints, golf markers, porcelain dolls, custom framed art, wood trays, leather items, Christmas logs, Christmas wreaths, children's furniture, soft sculpture, metal decorations, prints and greeting cards, hand cut stone crosses, purses, nutcrackers, jar candles, Christmas CDs by artist, and gift items.

Returning exhibitors will offer a wide assortment of items, including stained glass, night lights, porcelain decorations, turned wood items, angel pins, painted wood, beaded jewelry, outdoor metal art, Christmas decorations, ornate crosses, embellished tee shirts, dress sets, jar candles, votives, painted wood, country crafts, handmade scrubs, decorated pillows, original art, framed prints, 'Texas' art, Southwest jewelry, silk screened tee shirts, puppets, chip and dip mixes, fishing rod holders, wood boxes, yard swings and outdoor furniture.

Others will offer hair bows, peanut brittle, luggage, floral crafts, beaded jewelry, pie mixes, hair accessories, crystal jewelry, marble art, wood wreaths, floral wreaths, handmade Christmas ornaments, replicas of cars, games, bird feeders, bird houses, leather belts and purses, original jewelry, tissue holders, children's chairs, carved wood, wood Christmas decorations, and food items.



**MR. AND MRS. GERALD & SHIRLEY HOLCOMB**  
...on their wedding day on November 20, 1953



**MR. & MRS. GERALD & SHIRLEY HOLCOMB**  
...celebrated their 50th anniversary November 22, 2003

**Holcombs Celebrated their Golden Wedding Anniversary Nov. 22**

Gerald and Shirley Holcomb celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary November 20.

A reception was held at the Clyde Church of Christ, multi-purpose building November 22, 2003.

Children and grandchildren who hosted the celebration were: Alan and Sky Holcomb of Longview, Tx., Steve and Rene' Bailey of Hobbs, N.M., Steve and Laurie Holcomb of Sweetwater, Tx., Amy Bailey of Kerrville, Tx., Justin and Jill Hill of San Antonio, Tx., Pres and Jenny Holcomb, Paige Holcomb of Huntsville, Whitney, Ashley, and Brady Holcomb of Sweetwater, Tx.

Gerald was born December 9, 1934 in Rule, Texas and Shirley was born August 8, 1935 in Dublin, Texas.

The Holcombs met at a basketball game in Lamkin, Texas and were later married in Gustine, Texas at the home of the bride's parents November 20, 1953.

During their marriage they lived in Abilene. There Gerald started a banking career in

1959 at Citizen's National Bank. Later they moved to Clyde where he worked at People's State Bank from 1964 to 1979. Eventually they moved to Brady, Texas where he worked at Commercial National Bank from 1979 to 1980. For the last 23 years he has been self-employed in oil investments, laundry, and drycleaners and presently owner of Schlotzsky's Deli in Abilene. During this time Shirley cared for their home and was a child care provider for 18 years.

They have been members of Clyde Church of Christ for 42 years where Gerald served as a deacon and an elder. Besides this Gerald was a member of several civic organizations in Clyde, on the board of Clyde Committee Park and coached baseball for 19 years.

The Holcombs have 7 grandchildren.

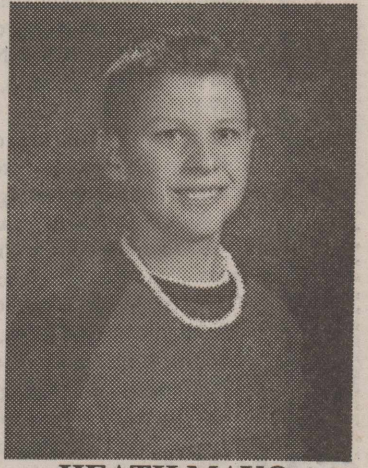
Shirley is the daughter of the late Cecil and Mary Moore and Gerald is the son of Daisy Holcomb of Cross Plains and the late Wes Holcomb.

**Locally Known Youth Wins Talent Show**

Heath Mayo, son of Keith and Staci Mayo of Whitehouse, recently won the East Texas State Fair Talent Show in Tyler, on October 4th. Heath first competed in the teen division on Friday, October 3rd, and won 1st place. He performed the song "Old Time Rock-n-Roll". He received \$500 for this title.

He then competed on Saturday night against the winners of the youth and adult divisions. He was required to perform a 20-minute concert. He sang "Great Balls of Fire", "Teenager in Love", "The Wanderer", "Runaround Sue" and "Old Time Rock-n-Roll". Heath won the title and received \$1,000.

Heath is 13 and in the 7th grade at Whitehouse Junior High



**HEATH MAYO**

School where he is active in football, basketball, baseball and choir. He is the grandson of Will and Glenda Weiss of Whitehouse, formerly of Cross Plains.

**Happy Birthday!**

**NOVEMBER 29**

- Janet Whitely
- Charles Payne
- Alan Neil Byrd
- Roberta Conlee
- Mrs. Dora Lilly
- Randal Franke
- Michael Mobley
- Mike Walker
- Cody Zane Knowles
- John Fred McWilliams

**NOVEMBER 29**

- Rex Lee Beggs
- John Long
- Benny Callaway
- Darrell Collier
- Tracy (Erwin) Terrill

**DECEMBER 3**

- Jeremy Box
- Mary Frances Walker
- Dana Jean Dimitri
- Mrs. J.D. Moore
- Bobby Porter
- Darin Apple

**NOVEMBER 30**

- Donald Hargrove
- Julie Watson
- Paula Ann (Wright) Winfrey
- Bill Kirkham
- Mrs. Bill (Nita) Hines
- Denise (Flippin) Hubbard
- Vernette Rhodes
- Justin D. Hopkins
- Saul Reyes

**DECEMBER 4**

- Michael Duane Franke
- Paul Perkins
- Rhonda (Wilcoxon) Fritz
- Wayne Bishop
- Scott Odum
- Larry Blankenship
- Judy Casey
- Lynn Hutton
- Clifton Bay Kirkham
- Shelby Jean McWilliams

**DECEMBER 1**

- John D. Montgomery
- Mark Bland
- Jerry Whiteside
- Craig (Penrod) Rogers
- Darrell Lynn Dillard
- Pamela McCowen
- Stephen Farmer
- Wilda Holland
- Vanda (Livingston) Robinson
- Jennifer Lee

**DECEMBER 5**

- R. T. Peevy
- Christy Rene Spooone
- Bobby Harris
- Darwin Breeding
- Annette Roberts
- Kathy Sohns
- Jenna Kay Teague
- Cheryl (Franke) Hollis
- Jimmy Glenn Kelly
- Mary Ann Reed
- Mindy Melissa Watson
- Jeffrey Calhoun
- Delbert Tennon
- Delany Ames
- Britton Dukes

**DECEMBER 2**

- Pat (Vaughn) Best
- Harold Garrett
- Marilyn Maria Perry
- William Johnson
- Mrs. Marla Gunn
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