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# HOME

EDITOR'S NOTE: following story has a lot of merit. See if you don't agree. The solution chosen seemed cruel, but then proved to create positive results. When you look back at your life can't you see how various obstacles simply for future prepared accomplishments? However, the catch is being strong enough to apply these great suggestions. If we could accomplish the five rules to be happy, our lives would be enriched. Vanda Anderson

"Donkey In the Well"

One day a farmer's donkey fell down into a well. The animal cried piteously for hours as the farmer tried to figure out what to do. Finally he decided the animal was old and the well needed to be covered up anyway, it just wasn't worth it to retrieve the donkey.

He invited all his neighbors to come over and help him. They all grabbed a shovel and began to shovel dirt into the well.

At first, the donkey realized what was happening and cried horribly. Then, to everyone's amazement, he quieted down. A few shovel loads later, the farmer finally looked down the well and was astonished at what he saw. With every shovel of dirt that hit his back, the donkey was doing something amazing. He would shake it off and a take a step up.

As the farmer's neighbors continued to shovel dirt on top of the animal, he would shake it off and take a step up. Pretty soon, everyone was amazed as the donkey stepped up over the edge of the well and trotted off!

Life is going to shovel dirt on you, all kinds of dirt. The trick to getting out of the well is to shake it off and take a step up. Each of our troubles is a stepping stone. We can get out of the deepest wells just by not stopping, never giving up! Shake it off and take a step!

Remember the five simple rules to be happy:

- 1. Free you heart from hatred. 2. Free your mind from
- worries.
- 3. Live simply.
- 4. Give more.
- 5. Expect less. Smile and SHAKE IT OFF!!



"We're Proud of Our Local Heritage"





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2004 MISSION TRIPTO IGLESIA BAUTISTA GENESIS NAVA, MEXICO-Pictured above are Shirley Snodgrass (front, from left), Rudy and Carmen Flores (from San Antonio), Betty Beggs, Barbara Swinney, Karen Ross and "Ponchito"; DeVerl Harp (middle, from left), Delores Carter, Nora Odom and Beverly Ross; Joe Mobley (back, from left), Bob Carter, David Parker and Wendel

# Mission Trip a Great Success

Nava, Mexico.

The men of the group spent and painting the sanctuary of the church being built there.

with the women and children of the colony. It was a blessing to

Lady Buff

**Basketball** 

thru 9th grades.

Camp Times are:

Varsity Lady Buffs.

Camp, Barry Gill.

end of summer.

4th-6th graders 9 a.m. - 12 noon

7th-9th graders 1 p.m. - 4 p.m.

The purpose of the camp is to

teach and improve offensive and

defensive fundamental skills and

encourage a love for basketball.

The camp will be conducted by

Each camper will received a

camp t-shirt and a progress

report. Cost of the camp is

\$40.00. Make your checks pay-

able to Lady Buff Basketball

pected to be completed by the

Gene Tabb, Inc. of Anson,

contractor for the Texas Depart-

ment of Transportation, began

work on this \$177,600 rehabili-

tation project in Jones County

where they are refurbishing four

picnic areas. Once work is com-

pleted there, they will progress

areas are scheduled for rehabili-

tation. Both of the picnic areas

are located on US 283 south of

Scott Mitchell, district design

project coordinator, said that

one county at a time.

to undergo rehabilitation

Coach Barry Gill and several

Twelve members of First be able to teach sewing, Bible sto- Swinney, Shirley Snodgrass, Baptist Church spent the week ries, music and crafts. Haircuts and Nora Odom, Betty Beggs, Joe of June 1-5 on a mission trip to manicures were also given as a way

More importantly, the mission their time pouring concrete team experienced the love and sidewalks, installing bathrooms, appreciation of the people who Lopes of San Antonio were of were eager to learn about Jesus, as the team had opportunity to share helping to communicate with the The ladies enjoyed working their faith through interpreters.

Making the trip were Barbara

Mobley, DeVerl Harp, Wendel Draper, David Parker, Bob and Delores Carter, and Beverly and Karen Ross. Rudy and Carmen great assistance that week,

> Submitted by **Beverly Ross**

# **Blood Drive Slated** at First Baptist

Camp Told First Baptist Church in Cross on volunteer donors." The Lady Buff Basketball Camp has been scheduled for July 19-22 at the new Cross Plains High School Gym. The donate again on June 29. The no upper age limit. camp is for all girls going into 4th 30 units of life-saving blood.

cruiter, there is no artificial substitute for blood at this time. "It is truly the gift of life that is given from a healthy person to someone in need. Those who need blood or blood products include cancer patients undergoing chemotherapy treatment, dialysis patients, surgical patients, new mothers following childbirth, premature babies, and patients with various blood diseases. Our blood supply is totally dependent

including concrete slabs, tables

Officials in the Abilene District

determined in 2000 that im-

provements were needed for all

of the 44 picnic areas in the

district to make them more de-

sirable to the traveling public.

tors recommended closing 14

ranging from a high vandalism

record at the facility to low us-

age by the public. Those recom-

mended for closure were even-

tually taken out of service. The

money saved from the mainte-

and arbors.

through the 13-county district And, in some cases, the inspec-

In Callahan County, two picnic of those picnic areas for reasons

work on these picnic areas nance of those 14 facilities is

ranges from as little as painting now being spent to rehabilitate

of litter barrels, cleaning and the remaining 30 picnic areas.

Plains will host a community Blood donors must be at least 17 blood drive on Tuesday, June 29. years old, weigh at least 110 Those who gave blood at the pounds, in good health and free of drive on May 4 will be eligible to illness and infection. There is blood drive on May 4 resulted in prescription and over-the counter medications are acceptable. According to Frances Baker, Those who have eligibility Meek Blood Center donor re- questions may call Meek Blood

Center at (325) 670-2798. Each donor will receive a FM scan radio with a built-in flashlight, which includes batteries, headphones and a belt clip. Complimentary total cholesterol results will be available two days after the blood drive by calling (325) 670-2799, or send the request by e-mail to fbaker@hendrickhealth.org.

#### Picnic areas in Callahan County Freedom **Festival** ABILENE—Rehabilitation of repainting existing picnic arbors the Abilene District's 30 picnic and tables, repairing of concrete areas began in May and is ex- sidewalks, replacing metal ar-**Upcoming** bor tops to removing and replacing complete picnic areas,

The Rising Star Freedom Festival will begin with the Rising Star Trade Days and Community Wide Garage Sales on Thursday, July 1st and continue through Saturday, July

A Parade will be held at 9 a.m. on Saturday with presentation of awards at 10 a.m. At 11 a.m. in the Colquitt Williams City Park the Veteran Memorial Wall Dedication by the Rising Star Foundation will be staged. Lunch will be at the City Park Pavilion catered by Rising Star Livestock Raisers Association. This will

See Freedom Festival Page 3

# "Read Aloud Cafe" Offered Again at **Cross Plains Library**

This coming July 5-9, the Cross Plains Public Library will again be opening the "Read Aloud Cafe" for the children in our community. This will mark the third successful year of a week full of storytelling, eating lunch together, and sharing our love of reading aloud!

Many plans are underway, revolving around our library's newly acquired Caldecott books! Since these special award-winning books are based on how their stories and illustrations work in tandem, we plan to place a lot of emphasis on the art aspect of these beautiful

Every year, the children have enjoyed the "Daily Specials" which are offered during the week the "cafe" is open. The "specials" include a free kid's LUNCH, free BOOKMARKS, drawings for daily PRIZES, and many favorite BOOKS being READ ALOUD for your children's listening pleasure! Abilene television station,

KTXS, will again be major prize contributor for our program. The "Read Aloud Cafe" has rekindled the children's love of familiar stories and introduces them to some of the newer literature specifically designed for reading

Reading records are not kept, as you will customarily find with other reading programs. However, we give the children time during the last portion of each session for them to check out books of their own choosing. Parents are welcome to come at this time to help their child with

Our enrollment last year was 33 children and we are planning for even more in 2004! Students who have just completed K-6th grades are eligible for participation. Place these dates on your calendar: July 5-9, 12 noon to 1:15 p.m. daily! Don't miss the fun!

Please call (254) 725-7722 or come by the library to register. Submitted by Jacque Childress



**Cross Texas** 

# **Cottonwood Baptist Hosting Cowboy** Rising Star Church Band Sunday

would like to invite you to join us they have one song at #9 on the this Sunday, June 27, at 11:00 Christian Country charts and a.m. to worship with "Cross another one on the charts at #19. Texas", a band from the Cowboy Church in Brownwood.

These men love the Lord and the service for lunch! have powerful stories of how God has changed their lives. "Cross

Cottonwood Baptist Church Texas" is a gifted group of men, Don't miss out on this opportunity. If you love country The group will be sharing Chris- music or just love good music, be tian Country songs and the band here at Cottonwood this Sunday, members' personal testimonies. and be sure to stick around after

> Submitted by Matt McGowen, Pastor



Attention!! Senior citizens, people with disabilities and other disadvantaged persons... Do you have broken windows? Plumbing problems? Inadequate heating & cooling? Poor insulation? Falling down porches?

Grab bars for the bathroom? Other safety repairs to your HOUSING

Cross Plains Housing Initiative. They are now taking applications for the annual 2004 "Helping Project". Applications are avail-Citizens Center, Higginbothams, Texas Heritage Bank and all area

the Cross Plains Senior Center tion

assistance will be available for filling out applications. Deadline for application is June 30, 2004. Projects will be done in the Fall. (The date for this will be scheduled at a later time.)

"Helping Hearts & Helping Do you need a Handicap ramp? Hands" is a local project of the CROSS PLAINS AREA INITIATIVE (CPAHI). It is a volunteer work If you do, you need to contact project designed to assist senior citizens, persons with disability and other residents of Cross Plains, who cannot do the work Hearts & Helping Hands themselves or afford to hire someone to do the needed able at the Cross Plains Senior repairs, in order to live in a safe, secure and healthy home.

Call Regina Hart at (254) 725-4398 or Roxie Thomas at (254) Every Tuesday morning at 724-6141 for further informa-

# WIT'S END TEA ROOM

400 Pine St. Baird, Tx. 325-854-2226 OPEN EVERYDAY 10 AM - 5 PM SERVING LUNCH DAILY! SOUP, SALAD, SANDWICHES & DELICIOUS DESSERTS!!

"SUNDAY LUNCH SPECIALS" \$6.50

1st Sunday - Ham 2nd Sunday-Roast 3rd Sunday - Turkey & Dressing 4th Sunday - Meatloaf

# CHURCH DIRECTORY

#### BELIEVERSEE

Inner-denominational-Evangelical SUNDAY 9:30a.m. Sunday School 10:45 a.m.. Morning Service

EAST HIGHWAY 36 WEDNESDAY 7:00 p.m. Christian Youth Activities THURSDAY

7:00 p.m. Midweek Service 6:00 p.m. Evening Service PASTOR: J.D. FRY (325) 646-7647 Last Sunday of the month singing. Comeone-Comeall.

Chips, Dips, Sandwiches

# UNITED PENTECOSTAL CHURCH

209 S.W. Hwy 36

Welcomes You!

Sunday School 9:30 a.m. Sun. 6:30 p.m. Worship & Word \*\*\* Wed. 7:00 p.m. Bible Study "An Apostolic Church"

PASTOR, Phillip R. Schaefer (254) 725-7140

#### Living Water Ministries Fellowship Full Gospel~ Prophetic~ Apostolic "Restoring And Equipping The Saints"

Sunday 10 am \* Monday Prayer 7pm \* Wednesday 6:30 pm

Pastors: Max Evans & Colleen Anderson For Information Call (254) 725-4884

# **Union Center Baptist Church**

"Service to God Through Service to Man"

Sunday School 10:00 a.m. Worship Service 11:00 a.m. Wednesday Bible Study 7:00 p.m.

5 miles north of Rising Star - 1/2 mile east of Hwy 183 on CR 292

Jerry Eckhart, Pastor (254) 643-1027

# **COTTONWOOD BAPTIST CHURCH**

Sunday School......9:45 A.M. Morning Worship......11:00 A.M. Evening Service......6:00 P.M. Wednesday Bible Study & Prayer Time......7:00

Matt McGowen, Pastor (254) 725-4599 Church (254)725-6266 Friendly Church Bible Teaching

# ROWDEN BAPTIST CHURCH

Hwy. 36 at Rowden - 12 Miles West of Cross Plains

SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP.....11:00 A.M.

Pastor: Carl Mauldin Come Worship With Us!

# NIMROD 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

#### Mil Angeley

Mil Angeley passed away peacefully on June 19, 2004, at her home following a lengthy ill-

She was born Mil Burrows in Konowa, Oklahoma, March 10, 1926. She was graduate of Texola High School and was a dance contest winner and local beauty.

She married Luther "Mike" Bullock in 1944. They farmed and, along with her father, raced horses professionally for many years. Her second marriage was to Jerry Angeley in 1957. Jerry was a professional golfer and course manager. They managed local golf courses and country clubs in Shamrock, Eunice, New Mexico and Clinton, New Mexico. They settled in Brownwood in 1970. Mrs. Angeley was an instructor at the Ranger College Beauty School, formerly Gary's Beauty College, for many

Mil's husband preceded her in death in 1982. Her parents, George and Sadie Burrows of Erick, Oklahoma, and her brother, Bob Burrows, of Amarillo, also preceded her in death.

Survivors include a son, Kip Bullock and his wife, Lynn, of San Antonio; her daughter, Tisa Angeley McKim of Houston; two stepsons, Tom Angeley of North Richland Hills and Jerry D. Angeley of League City; six grandchildren, one great-grandson, Dennis Thacker and his wife, Wanda, of Brownwood; Vicki Ingram of Brownwood; Butch and Marcia Renshaw of Pecos; and many Bingo friends at the VFW and Redman Lodge.

Services were held at 10 a.m. on Tuesday, June 22, at the Davis-Morris Funeral Home Chapel. Interment was in Burkett Cemetery.

# Free Poetry **Contest Told**

OWINGS MILLS MD—The International Library of Poetry has announced that \$58,000.00 in prizes will be awarded this year in the International Open Poetry Contest. Poets from the Cross Plains area, particularly beginners, are welcome to try to win their share of over 250 prizes.

To enter, send ONE original poem, any subject and any style to: The International Library of Poetry, Suite 19920, 1 Poetry Plaza, Owings Mills, MD 21117. The poem should be 20 lines or less, and the poet's name and address should appear on the top of the page. Entries must be postmarked or sent via the Internet by September 30, 2004. You may enter online www.poetry.com.

#### **Audy Moore**

Audy Moore, 86, of Cisco, passes away on June 20, 2004 in Eastland Memorial Hospital.

He was a long-time Church of Christ minister. He was born July 25, 1917 to W.P. and Etter Moore; he was raised in the Cook Community near Rising Star. He graduated from Pioneer High School. He married Georgie Mae Hunt on December 23,1939. After farming for a number of years, he attended Abilene Christian College before embarking on a career as a preacher. He served as pulpit minister for Texas Churches of Christ in Okra, Goldsmith, Claude, Sprayberry, Austin, Big Springs, Gorman, Kerns, Cross Plains, Eastland and Flatwood. He did missionary work in Mankato, Minnesota and was the main speaker at church meetings at various congregations in Texas, Arizona and Wyoming. Also, he was the speaker

for a number radio ministries. Audy was well known and beloved by many people across the West Texas area and he touched many lives by his preaching of the Word and by his many visits to shut-ins, nursing homes and hospitals. With his beloved wife, Georgia at his side, he endeavored for 60 years to serve his Lord and to spread the Gospel.

He was preceded in death by his parents and seven siblings Atina, Alta, Aimelee, Alvey, Arley, Billy and Bobby.

He is survived by his wife, Georgie, of Cisco; one daughter and son-in-law, Betty and Theo Scott of Holland; one son and daughter-in-law, Michael Moore and Helen of Crandell; four grandchildren, David Burton and his wife, Samantha, of Lubbock; Cynthia Kates and her husband, Leon, of Holland; Jenni Langston and her husband, Rick of Brighton, TN; and Mary-Nancy Moore of Monroe, Louisiana; three great-grandchildren, Alsyssa and Amberley Burton, and Pecaya Langston; two sisters, Murl Rodgers of Clyde and Anna Rae Hund and her husband, Elbert, of Texarkana, Arkansas; numerous cousins, nieces, nephews and a host of friends.

Funeral services were held at 10 a.m. on Wednesday, June 22, 2004, at the I-20 Church of Christ in Cisco with Charles Chesshir, David Burton and Michael Moore officiating. Burial was in Oakwood Cemetery in Cisco. Graveside service was conducted by Jenni Langston.

Pallbearers were Johnny Cook, Ronald Hunt, Gary Hunt, Douglas Walker, Alan Masters and Barry Selman. In lieu of flowers the family requests that memorials may be sent to The Foster's Home for Children, P.O. Box 978, Stephenville, TX 76401.

# Auto theft worries increase during summer

mer months the peak season for losses. vehicle theft in Texas.

To help fight auto theft and increase awareness, DPS has compiled a list of the most stolen vehicles over the last year. (May 2003-April 2004)

1. General Motors pickups (9,155)

2. Ford pickups (4,802) 3. Honda Accord (2,929)

4. Dodge pickups (2,714) 5. GM Suburban (1,925)

6. Honda Civic (1,870)

7. Toyota Camry (1,539)

8. Ford Taurus (1,170) 9. Ford Mustang (1,073)

"Car and truck models five years and older account for about 70 percent of all auto theft," said David Griffith, commander DPS Motor Vehicle Theft Service. "We saw some promising numbers for auto theft in 2003, but summertime is not the time to let our guard down." Auto theft declined 4.6 percent in 2003 after two straight ber and vehicle identification years of increases. The auto number and carry it in your waltheft rate (which takes into ac- let or purse to expedite the entry

Auto thieves don't take a sum- stolen in Texas in 2003, acmer vacation, making the sum- counting for \$782 million in

Griffith recommends several precautions to protect your ve-

\* Lock all doors; roll up windows, and do not leave the keys in the vehicle. Many stolen vehicles had unlocked doors or the keys left inside them.

\* Park in populated, well-traveled and well-lighted areas. About half of all auto thefts take place at night. \* Use an anti-theft device to

make the vehicle more difficult to steal, especially if you have a vehicle that is on the most stolen

\* Consider the use of a tracking system to help recover the vehicle if it is stolen. (Some insurance companies offer rate discounts for reliable systems.)

\* Don't encourage vehicle burglary by leaving expensive items in plain view inside the vehicle.

\* Write down your license numcount population growth) was of the vehicle into the stolen the lowest since 1978. However, vehicle data system when a pothere were still 98,174 vehicles lice report is made.

# **Courthouse News**

**COUNTY COURT** 

Roger Corn, presiding

Misdemeanor Filings Cody W. Cash, theft.

James M. Tilley, driving while intoxicated (DWI). Janet A. Bradley, DWI.

#### Misdemeanor Minutes

Toni Stoudemire, plea of guilty to theft by check, \$50 fine. \$215 court costs, \$45 restitu-

Jody Harris, motion to revoke probation granted.

Jason Kilough, motion to revoke probation granted.

Don Arthur Schroers, motion to withdraw as surety and application for warrant granted. Jerrod Shae Bonds, motion to

withdraw as surety and application for warrant granted. Jeronimo Torras, motion to withdraw as surety and application for warrant granted.

Jamaal A. Young, plea of guilty to no drivers license, \$100 fine, \$215 court costs.

Cody W. Cash, plea of guilty to theft, 10 days in jail, \$218 court costs. Patricio Ramos, plea of guilty

to driving while license invalid (DWLI), 10 days in jail, \$293 court costs.

#### Marriage Licenses

Eddie Neal Gunter and Tracee Lee Carlisle, both of Lilburn,

David Brent Underwood and Betty Jean Williams, both of Clyde. David Eugene Tucker and

Jeanny Faye Whitehead, both of Clyde David Paul Coffey of Baird

and Marcia Lehann Meyer of Richard Kenneth Graham of Baird and Denise Raelea Gollihar

of Merkel James Hardeman Barcuch and Maria Renate Carstensen,

both of Clyde. Freddy William Smoot of Cisco and Rebecca Nicole Tennison of Cross Plains.

42nd DISTRICT COURT John Weeks, presiding

Civil Filings

Stacev Jobe and Christopher

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# Dan Jobe, divorce. Judy Carol Lawson and Henry

Lawson III, divorce. Roger Kent Healy and Jeanna Marie Kestler, divorce.

#### **Civil Minutes**

State of Texas vs. Roy Lee Shahan, order granting defendant application for writ of habeas corpus seeking bail set at \$250,000.00

Thomas G. Brewster vs. estate of Edward Alan Millett, deceased and the Edward Alan Millett trust, order sustaining motion to transfer venue granted.

#### **Criminal Minutes**

Brian P. Helmuth, motion to dismiss to unauthorized use of a vehicle.

Benji T. McDougal, plea of guilty to criminal mischief, 5 year probation, \$3000 fine, \$256 court costs, \$6740 resti-

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# Do You Take After **Your Father**

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH Van Service Available - Call (254) 725-7694

N. Main (Hwy. 206) **Cross Plains, Texas** Sunday School - 9:30 a.m. Worship - 10:45 a.m. Rev. C. Michael Redd, Pastor

Sunday's Sermon

# "Don't Get Distracted"

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Independence Day

Take time to Honor and say "Thank You" to those that have served and are serving now to defend our Freedom!

Sunday School 9:45 am Worship Services 11:00 am **Evening Services 7:00 pm** Wed. Evening Service 7:00 pm

# First Baptist Church

\* 3rd & Main, Cross Plains, TX Ronnie B White, Pastor \*\*\*\*\*\*\*

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We will be having the residents their July craft. Working with birthday party Thursday, June stars, beads, ribbons and bows for 24th, at 2:00 p.m. Residents a patriotic banner for their doors. celebrating birthdays are Zelda Milam, Mary J. Sain, Ellen resident, Bessie Pope. Simpson, Coy Rankin and Rozell Moore, Verna Mathews, Rosario Reyes and Jessica Kline. Entertainment will be provided by Jacque Childress and group from Cross Plains. Wanda Goble will make the cake. All family and friends are invited to attend.

We will be hosting a Garage Sale during the Rising Star Freedom Festival on Friday, July 2nd. The proceeds will go toward the residents' Christmas Fund. We would appreciate donations.

Thoughts and prayers for Christine King and J.W. Starkey who are in the hospital.

The residents have started on

A warm welcome to our new

Special appreciation to Sammie Gary. Employees with a birthday Tollett, granddaughter of Ava this month are Ellena Fox, Darla and Ray Dodd; Sarah and Joshua Osborn, children of Lori Osborn; and Charlene Avants, daughter of Jane Avants; for their great help with our Senior Olympics.

> Donna Moore, who's picture was in last week's paper, is our new Director of Nurses. She lives in Cross Plains and has three children. She enjoys camping, hunting and all outdoor activities. She has also has a Pekinese by the name of Andy that she loves very much.

Coming together beginning-keeping together is progress-working together is a success.

# GARDEN TIPS

By James Nichols

All the fresh kitchen herbs you use in one pot! If they are handy you will use them. Just think how nice it would be if you only had to go a few feet to clip a fresh sprig of your favorite herbs.

Choose a sunny window indoors or place a pot right outside your door. This will make it easy for you to access them, plus it will add interest and beauty to the front area.

It doesn't matter what kind of pot is used, it can be an old ugly one just as long as it is bigggg.

Sometimes ugly is just better especially when it comes to pots. Remember clay pots need more

Choose a potting soil that drains well. Add compost or an organic balanced fertilizer to the mix. Fill the pot up almost to the top. Leaving only enough room for

Plant herbs that you like such as lemon grass, chives, variegated lemon thyme, rosemary, basil, and oregano; you can include lettuce if you like.

# LIBRARY NOTES

Circulation:

From Behind the Books

I guess I must have fallen asleep behind the books a few weeks ago. When I woke up, I felt like Rip Van Winkle-life in the Library was passing me by. There were people looking through all of our Robert Howard books while the annex was buzzing with the book sale and some really neat vendors at the Flea Market. Then I overheard some \* talk about a super neat summer activity for the kids. Think I'd better go check on that so I can tell you more later. CU-BW (Of that's short for course, Bookworm.)

> **Statistics** June 14-18

Books		70
Internet Us	sers	40
Total		110
Memorial	s (reprii	nt):
Charles an	d Lou Ro	odenberger
In Memo	ory of Bi	llie Loving
and Jane	ette Turi	ner
Donations	s - books	:
April Bish	ор	
Jana Hinkl	e-typew	riter ribbon
Act	tivity Re	port
Patrons:		107
A.M.	40	
P.M.	67	
Programs	ind and	27
Copies:		11
Reference	es:	19

# FREEDOM FESTIVAL

consist of brisket and all the trimmings for \$7.00 per plate. The afternoon highlights include a 30 foot water slide (\$5.00 all afternoon, all ages); Freedom Train rides; Music; Antique and

Classic Vehicle Show; Crafts; and a Health Fair by One Source Health Center.

Check In/Out:

**Internet Users:** 

Calls In:

Everyone is invited out for a weekend of fun activities.

# BRBAKIHR

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



We've been studying about "Joseph: A Man of God" this week in Family VBS. Someone referred to Joseph as "a Christian before his time," meaning that he had the qualities that God desires in Christians long before Christianity began. God used a large portion of Moses' account of Genesis to relate the life of Joseph, chapters 37-50, and it's all packed with notable qualities of this "man of God."

Two of the most shining moments in Joseph's faithfulness were: 1) when he resisted the advances of his master's wife, leaving his garment behind as he fled, asking "How can I do this great wickedness and sin against God?" (39:7-13); 2) when he forgave his brothers for the wickedness they had done against him, and announced that God meant it all for the good of them and the Israelite nation to come, 50:15-20. These qualities indeed are those God desires in His people today.

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

# PIONEER NEWS

The Quilting Ladies should come out of the frame on Tuesday and we will soon be finished with Frankie's. We will have time off until September.

The Flemings have their produce stand going now. Come out and get those fresh fruits and vegetables. They have things fixed up real nice.

Norma Jean (Huntington) Whitt of San Antonio spent the weekend with Jean Fore. Bill Gibson and his grandson, Logan, also of San Antonio, visited with Jean. They all attended the Pioneer Reunion.

Cowan and Laverne Hutton traveled to Temple last Wednesday morning. Laverne had appointments to see doctors at Scott and White. On the way down they ran into a downpour of very heavy rain between Rising Star and Comanche, then light rain the rest of the way. It rained most of the day in Temple. Cowan and Laverne's oldest great-granddaughter Jannicia was baptized into Christ last Friday night. She is the daughter of Jamie and Mary Hutton and the granddaughter of J.D. and Sandy

Frankie Smith traveled with her pastor, Dwaine Clower, and Don Draper to Sweetwater where they met other members of the Pioneer Baptist Church. Cross Timbers Association was meeting. They had a great meeting with good music, supper and great preaching was enjoyed by

Pioneer School Reunion was well attended with about 80 in attendance. It was wonderful to see old friends and neighbors. The food was catered by ladies from Eastland and it was a very good dinner. Hope to see everyone again next year!

Earlene Burge and Jessica have finished. The garden is still and His Father are one. producing, but maybe not for Monday night to see her grandson Cameron's baseball game. Earlene visited with many friends at the Pioneer Reunion. She enjoyed visiting with her cousin, Bill and Lucille Hester from

are Clyde, and their daughter, Nancy working on Olena's "Tulip" and Bacon of Cisco, also Glenda and Frankie's "Rail Fence". Olena's Reggie Barr. They all visited after the reunion at Earlene's house.

Jean Alexander visited in Richardson with her children, Jim, Marla, Ashley, Jack, Will and Doss. Also she stayed a few days with Andrea Appleton. There she visited her daughter Starr Appleton and friend, Carolyn Margus.

May Jones spend a few days with Pate Huffman in Marshall. While there she visited with Lamuril and Henry Poulsen in Shreveport, La. She also visited with Jimmy and Cookie Jones at Waskom. They all had a good

#### Laverne' Druthers

If I had "my druthers" men would refer to John chapter 17 as the Lord's Prayer, instead of the example of how to pray that Jesus gave when his apostles asked Him to teach them how to pray recorded in Matt. 6 and Luke 11. It is wonderful that we have this example of how to pray. It shows us in what manner we should pray and how to address the Heavenly Father.

We must realize the greatness of His name. His name is "Hallowed" (set apart) from any other name. We must approach His throne with a humble attitude; thankful that He supplies our needs. We must desire that His will be done and realize the importance of forgiving others.

Jesus gave this example of how to pray before His death on the cross. Today we are to pray in His name. When on earth, Jesus had a need to pray to His Father often. We have several of His prayers mentioned in God's word, including the one in the garden before His death on the cross. We should also feel the need to pray often.

Please read and study the prayer of Jesus recorded in John 17. Jesus prayed to His Father to globeen working around the house; rify Him and preserve His at last the tile is down in the apostles and all other believers, kitchen and the mowing is that they all would be one, as He

To me, this prayer is truly the long. Jessica was in Brownwood "Lord's Prayer". If we would read and comprehend this prayer, much of the religious confusion we have in this world today would be eliminated. Submitted by

**Laverne Hutton** 

# Stenholm supports bill on stroke awareness

Washington, D.C.-Today the treatment and prevention. U.S. House of Representatives considered H.R. 3658, The name the most common warn-Stroke Treatment & Ongoing ing signs of strokes," Stenholm Prevention Act (STOP Stroke

Stenholm is an original cosponsor of The STOP Stroke Act, which authorizes a national awareness campaign to educate the public about the signs and importance of seeking treatment quickly.

In addition, the STOP Stroke Act would establish a grant program to provide funding to states and to create a clearinghouse to provide technical assistance and share best practices in stroke to consider this legislation.

"Most people are unable to said. "When those signs are recognized and treatment is provided within three hours, the debilitating effects of stroke are significantly reduced and per-

manent disability is minimized." More than 700,000 Americans symptoms of stroke and the suffer a stroke each year, and more than a quarter of those people die. Millions of Americans are stroke survivors, but about one-third of them are permanently disabled, requiring extensive and costly care.

It now is up to the U.S. Senate

# TxDOT to introduce statewide LINC program in Abilene

ment of Transportation (TxDOT) is introducing a mentoring program in June 2004 to help busidepartment's contracting pro-

TxDOT will launch the LINC (Learning, Information, Networking and Collaboration) mentoring program in Abilene on Wednesday, June 9. Two mandatory technical and networking meetings will follow on Wednesday, June 23 and Wednesday, July 7th with the or State contracts. third meeting to be a vendor trade show featuring the TxDOT LINC proteges.

LINC is a free mentor-protege program designed to assist small businesses with obtaining information on how to do business with TxDOT. The program is also open to Disadvantaged Business Enterprises (DBEs) and Historically Underutilized Businesses (HUBs).

ABILENE—The Texas Depart- Through a series of meetings, proteges will learn about TxDOT's business opportunities and receive technical assistance nesses learn more about the training to assist their businesses with marketing, business planning and development, financial management and certification. Through the LINC program, trained industry providers will assist small businesses by providing technical assistance training and network opportunities that increase the potential for a business to be awarded TxDOT

> Businesses that qualify and are interested in participating in the LINC program should contact Christina Calvo in the Business Opportunity Programs office at 1-866/480-2518 or 512/486-5510. Or email at ccalvo@dot.state.tx.us. Additional information on the LINC program is available on the Tx-

DOT website www.dot.state.tx.us.

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#### COTTONWOOD NEWS

By Wallace Bennett

**Grand Celebration for Cottonwood Coming Up** 

Come to the Cottonwood Independence Day celebration on July 4, 2004. It will be at 3:00 p.m. on Sunday, July 4, at the Cottonwood Community Center.

The program will feature a reading of the Preamble to the Constitution of the United States and a reading of the Declaration of Independence. Other elements of the celebration are being planned.

So, come out, refresh your memory and learn something new about Independence Day, and get acquainted with your

A social hour will follow the celebration with a drawing for the Cottonwood Quilting Club's annual fund-raising quilt.

**Cottonwood Connections** 

Joe Coppinger performed a wedding last Saturday. It was for his grand-niece, Kaci Shields, a great-great-granddaughter of Thomas A. and Minnie Coppinger, whose home was two miles east of Cottonwood on Highway 880. She married Michael Bennett, a great-greatgrandson of Bryan and Alta Lee Bennett, whose home was also two miles east of Cottonwood on CR 440.

Joe remarked that his dad and mom used to attend church at the Cottonwood Methodist Church and was very good friends with Bryan and Lee Bennett, who also attended church there.

He also told me about how he used to play cowboy riding a cow. His dad, E.K. Coppinger, had given him a calf, whose name was "Freckles". He raised Freckles from a baby and the calf became a pet. It was Joe's job to round up the cows each afternoon.

Joe said he would put a halter on "Freckles", ride her out to the pasture and get the cows, and passerby's would always honk, at seeing him rounding up cows on another cow

But, said Joe, he raised eight calves born to Freckles and it was often the only money he had for school clothes in the fall. He paid for jeans, tennis shoes, and other items. His mother made his shirts and he got by just fine. It was later in life that he realized how much his dad and mother sacrificed by giving up a calf in the first place. (Please contact Wallace Bennett about news or personal items for this column (254) 725-7474; e-mail (HYPERLINK "mail to: csb5@airmail.net"). Snail mail, 11093 County Road 440, Cross Plains, TX 76443.

# By Kay Mosley

"Fun, Fakes and Faux Pa's In the Fast Lane"

Most folks are quite familiar with fun; it's a longtime American past time. Lots of citizenry are well acquainted also with fakes, they are something or someone falsely represented. Faux pa's may not be as well known to you. Faux pa's is French for mistake or fake-someone took often enough. represented as other than what they are!

Should you step on someone's foot or pick up their book, or call them by the wrong name, you can rightly say, "Oh, Mr. Moenay, please excuse my Faux Pa's!" Who among us has never made

an error or mistake? Surely no one has. In as much as it may be true that we did not know we had made a Faux Pa's, each of us was aware we had messed up or erred.

Now, as far as a fake, well now that slick little snake oil salesman, Mister Finniebug, is a fake, according to my third cousin's uncle George Jim-Bob. His wife said he oughta know. He's been

Have you ever met a snake oil salesman? Well, no, I haven't per se, but in my estimation they are or can be any salesman who makes false claims about the product he is selling, whether it be perfume or dictionaries or farm machinery.

# Harris-Brown

# Reunion Announced

The 2004 Reunion of the Harris and Brown families is scheduled for Saturday, June 26th at the Community Center in Cross Plains, located next to the Multi-Purpose Center on the old Pioneer Hwy. Over 120 years ago, the Harris and Brown families settled southeast of Burkett, Texas. Family and friends are tions accepted as necessary to encouraged to enjoy a day of keep the association alive.

fellowship and reminiscing. Families members will bring enough food for their immediate families and items to be used as door prizes or raffled to benefit the reunion association. Ice drinks, napkins, flatware, plates and cups will be provided. New officers will be elected and dona-

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MONDAY - Chili w/Beans, Tossed Cacciatore, Buttered Noodles, Gree Peanut Butter Cookie, Crackers, Milk THURSDAY - Beef-A-Roni, TUESDAY - Sausage, Sauerkraut, Mashed Potatoes, Broccoli, Mixed FRIDAY - CLOSE FOR JULY 4TH

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# C.P. STUDENT REVIEW

#### CROSS PLAINS ELEMENTARY 2003-2004 PRINCIPAL'S HONOR ROLL 6TH SIX WEEKS

First Grade: Cheyenne Bomar, Bronc Dillard, Taryn Estes, Brenna Kleiber, Kaitlyn Koettel, Kaylee Potter, Kiefer Steinle, Brody Thomas, Mikera Walker, Joshua Wootonn

Second Grade: Haleigh King, Christa Potter, Cameron Rockett Third Grade: Katharine Goode

Fourth Grade: Lauren Goode, Zoie Walker

Fifth Grade: Shawna Lewis, Colton Rockett, Savana Wyatt Sixth Grade: None

#### CROSS PLAINS ELEMENTARY 2003-2004 "A" HONOR ROLL 6TH SIX WEEKS

First Grade: Kristen Bland, Kelbi Hyles, Misty Ivie, Morgan Manley, Korbin McLean, Jurnee Thomas, Allanta S Wheeler Second Grade: Dakota Gibbs, Meagan Roberts, Tristen Stephenson,

Shelby Thomas Third Grade: Cheyenne Cowan, Joe Hollans, Riley Lawrence, Griff McConal, Samantha Regula

Fourth Grade: Brianne Purcell, Rosa Salazar, Kenzie Taff Fifth Grade: Delany Ames

Sixth Grade: Emma Bennett, Melissa Black, Amanda Dunaway, Emily Foster, Tiffany Holland, Brittany Johnson, Kayla Lawrence, Zachary Snell

#### CROSS PLAINS ELEMENTARY 2003-2004 "AB" HONOR ROLL 6TH SIX WEEKS

First Grade: Lara Bills, Angel Floyd, Alma Meza Second Grade: Lindsey Ames, Brooklin Cantu, Justin Willis Third Grade: Preston Armer, Dakota Gilliam Fourth Grade: Shelby Ames, Ryder Foster, Payton Porter, Austin Thomas, Justin Thomas, Morgan Thomas, Amanda Wootonn Fifth Grade: Tru Avants, Cody Ford, Justin Golson, Gus Moore, Toni Moore, Miranda Williams, Hayden Wyatt Sixth Grade: Tommy Burrhus, Nathan Creamer, Mitchell Duttry,

Amber Parker, Cody Sliger

#### CROSS PLAINS HIGH SCHOOL 2003-2004 PRINCIPAL HONOR ROLL 6TH SIX WEEKS

7th Grade: Jacob Estes, Krista Phillips 8th Grade: Macayla Cook, Jennie Lewis

9th Grade: Thomas Estes, Cody Gibbs, Colton Manley, Russell Thomas, Michaela Wallace

Sophomore: Travis Golson, Jesse Norris, Jeremiah Snell Junior: Michael Allen, Stephanie Edington, Lori Hail, Brandon Horton, Kelsee Richards

Senior: Daley Anderson, Phillip Bennett, Dusty Dickson, Bree Dillard, Hayli-Jo Foster, Katherine Wooten

#### CROSS PLAINS HIGH SCHOOL 2003-2004 "A" HONOR ROLL **6TH SIX WEEKS**

7th Grade: Sheena Apple, Lela Bills, Emily Harris 8th Grade: Cody Baker, Hailey Biggs; Christiana Burrhus, Markus Maxwell, Starla Schaefer, Tiffany Walker, Joseph Westerman 9th Grade: Brittany Libey, William Poole, Karen Scott Sophomore: Brittany Adams, Rainey Bacon, Naomi Isbell, Ryan Payne, Loli Vasquez, Chance Watkins, Levi Wooten Junior: Thomas Dimitri, Jose Meza, Kali Phillips Senior: Russell Allen, Brittany Apple, Cassandra Breedlove, Casandra Gallaway, Sammy Gardner, Michelle Haan, Jose Mauricio, Angela Rodriguez, Jared Wooten

#### CROSS PLAINS HIGH SCHOOL 2003-2004 "AB" HONOR ROLL 6TH SIX WEEKS

7th Grade: Mandy Rose

8th Grade: Jerry Simons 9th Grade: Mykea Douglass, Sean Williams

Sophomore: Vecy Carpenter, Samantha Hutton, Arron Phillips, Britta

Scruggs Junior: Michael Horgrell

Senior: Grady Wellmaker

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# LADY BUFF BASKETBALL CAMP July 19 - 22

For all girls going into 4th-9th grades Camp Times: 4th-6th graders 9:00-12:00

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To teach and improve offensive and defensive fundamental skills and encourage a love for basketball Camp will be conducted by Coach Gill and several Varsity Lady Buffs at the new gym

Each camper will received a camp t-shirt and a progress report

**Cost of Camp** \$40.00

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For more information, please contact Barry Gill, 254-725-6121 or 254-725-4964

# Cross Plains I.S.D. ranked 749th largest school district in state

largest school district in the state of Texas, but ranked by wealth is only the 632th largest of the 1,031 school districts in the state.

The figures reported come from Texas Comptroller Carole Keeton Strayhorn through her website. The Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts provides categories and statewide rank definitions through the Texas School Performance Review

Cross Plains ISD listed 400 total number of students in 2003-2004, which ranked the school district 749th out of 1,031 schools in the state.

Ranked by wealth per student, however, Cross Plains ISD was 632 out of 1,031 schools in Texas. The school district's Wealth per Student in 2003-2004 was \$151,786. Wealth is defined by the district's total example property value in 2002 as certified by the Comptroller's Property Tax Division (CPTD), divided by the total number of students. This per pupil figure is often referred to as "Wealth." Property value is determined by the CPTD as part of its annual study which attempts to present uniformly appraised property valuations statewide. The CPTD value is calculated by applying rations created from uniform independent appraisals to the district's locally assessed valua-

In demographics for 2003-2004, Cross Plains ISD had 90.0 percent white students, 9.0 percent Hispanic, 0.0 percent African American and 1.0 percent Native American.

Cross Plains ISD had 49.5 percent of students Economically Disadvantaged. Economically Disadvantaged is defined as the percentage of total students reported as economically disadvantaged. Economically Disadvantaged students are those who are reported as eligible for free

Cross Plains ISD is the 749th or reduced-price meals under the National School Lunch and Child Nutrition Program or other public assistance. Students reported with any one of these status codes may or may not be enrolled in a special program such as compensatory or special education.

Cross Plains ISD's District Accreditation Rating in 2002-2003 was Acceptable.

Cross Plains ISD reported a dropout rate of 0.40 percent in 2001-2002, which ranked Cross Plains ISD 547th out of 1,031

The district's student/teacher ratio was 11.4 students per teacher, which ranked Cross Plains ISD 289th out of 1,031 schools. The student to staff ration for the district was 6.2 students for each staff, which ranked Cross Plains ISD 644th out of 1,031 schools in Texas.

Cross Plains ISD spent 56.2 percent of total expenditures on instruction, which ranks Cross Plains 79th out of 1,031 school districts. The percent spent on instruction is defined as the percentage of total expenditures budgeted for instruction in the district. Instructional expenditures include all activities dealing directly with the interaction between teachers and students, including instruction aided with computers, and expenditures to provide resources for juvenile justice alternative education pro-

Cross Plains ISD's per pupil operating expenditures was \$6.563, which ranked 620th out of 1,031 school districts.

Cross Plains ISD's total tax rate in 2003 was \$1.29 of which \$1.22 was for Maintenance and Operations and \$0.08 cents for Interest & Sinking Funds. The total tax rate of \$1.29 ranked Cross Plains ISD 31st out of 1,031 schools in Texas.

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KILOWATTS WIN AGAIN—Coaches James Ames, James Ross and David Switzer talk with the team after the game.

# **Kilowatts Win Sixth** Game of the Season

On Thursday, June 10th, the in favor of the Kilowatts 2-0. next three Buffs.

field. Augustine was able to steal they could get to 1st base. 2nd and 3rd, then home to bring tained the 3rd out.

top of the 3rd inning when Patrick Border hit a double to cen- Plains Little League Tuesday as ter. A double from Savell allowed the Kilowatts take on the Cats. Border to score. Savell struck out 3 Buff batters to keep the score

Kilowatts took on the Buffs in a Terrah Augustine grabbed up a 6 inning game. The Kilowatts grounder from behind the mound were the first up to bat. Taylor and a flawless catch from Kilo-Savell was the first to get a hit off watts 1st baseman, Colton the Buff batter but was unable to Rockett, ended the Buffs chances score before the third out. In the to score in the 4th. It was a battle bottom of the first, Savell walked of the pitchers in the 5th as neithe first batter and struck out the ther team could get a hit off Kilowatt pitcher, Taylor Savell or Buff At the top of the second, Terrah pitcher, Justin Golson. Border and Augustine led the batting for the Chad Switzer connected with the Kilowatts with a single to center bat but were called out before

Savell tripled in the 6th and a in the first score of the game. single from Toney Kemp allowed Dakota Gilliam walked to 1st, him to score. Kemp stole 2nd, 3rd, then stole 2nd but was unable to and then home to score again for score before the Kilowatts sus- the Kilowatts. Rockett singled but was unable to score. The game The score remained 1-0 until the ended: Kilowatts 4 and Buffs 0.

Come out and support Cross

Submitted by **Brenda Switzer** 

# SCHOOL BOARD MINUTES

June 17, 2004

of Trustees met in a regular I.S.D. For 4 Against 0 meeting with the following members present: Vicki Dillard, Donnie Dillard, Jim Cook and p.m. Monty Richards.

High School Elementary Principal, and guests, Motion was made to select

Dillard.

were sworn in. Motion was made by Cook and for 2004-05. For 5 Against 0 seconded by D. Dillard to nomi- No action was taken on lunch-

nate Monty Richards for presi- room charges. dent. For 3 Against 0 Richards

and seconded by D. Dillard to 5 Against 0 nominate Jim Cook for Vice abstained

nominate Susan Schaefer as Against - Bennett) secretary. For 4 Against 0

nate Vicki Dillard for assistant secretary. For 5 Against 0 secretary. For 3 Against 0 Dillard abstained

Motion was made by Cook and seconded by V. Dillard that they accept ESL Report for Cross Plains I.S.D. given by Margie Sowell. For 4 Against 0

Motion was made by D. Dillard adjourn. For 5 Adjourn 0

and seconded by Cook to accept Texas Primary Reading Inven-The Cross Plains I.S.D. Board tory Report for Cross Plains **Board Recessed** 

Bryan Bennett arrived at 8:45

Motion was made by V. Dillard The following administrators and seconded by Bennett to acand guests were also in cept TAKS Scores/Report for attendance: Superintendent, Cross Plains I.S.D. 2003-04. For Principal, 5 Against 0

Cliffadean Hargrove and David Cameron Gulley as auditor for 2004-05. For 5 Against 0

Prayer was led by Donnie Motion was made by Cook and seconded by V. Dillard to accept Jim Cook and Vicki Dillard Texas Monarch Mgt. Corp. to provide catastrophic insurance

Motion was made by Bennett

and seconded by D. Dillard to buy Motion was made by V. Dillard new dishwasher from Hobart. For

Motion was made by D. Dillard President. For 3 Against 0 Cook and seconded by V. Dillard to accept resignation of Margaret Motion was made by V. Dillard Pointer. For 4 Against 1 (For and seconded by Cook to Dillard, Dillard, Richards, Cook,

Motion was made by Bennett Motion was made by D. Dillard and seconded by Cook to hire and seconded by Cook to nomi- Crissy Reed as high school

> Motion was made by V. Dillard and seconded by D. Dillard to accept bids from Cedar Ridge Development Corp. to pave parking lot. For 5 Against 0

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



KILOWATTS WIN AGAIN—Coaches James Ames and James Ross talk with Patrick Border, Toney Kemp, Taylor Savell and Chad Switzer before the game.

# Kilowatts add 2 more wins to their record

resulting in a single score.

the Kilowatts.

Cats. After 4 innings, the 13-3. In the 1st inning, Switzer Dakota Gilliam. brought in the first score, folstruck out three of the Cat batters.

In the 3rd, the Kilowatts put 2 more on the board with scores

Tuesday, June 15, the Kilowatts from Augustine and Colton hosted the Rising Star Diamond- Rockett. Jayton Ames stood on backs in a 4 inning game. Pitchers 3rd base ready to steal home Taylor Savell and Patrick Border before the last Kilowatt struck had no trouble with the out. Savell met 6 Cat batters be-Diamondback batters. They fore the end of the third. The Cats struck out 11 and walked only 2, got off a two run homer and changed the score to 6-3.

The Kilowatts had a good night At the top of the 4th, the in the batting box. Scoring for the Kilowatts more than doubled Kilowatts were Border, Savell, their score. Savell hit a single, Toney Kemp, Dakota Bomar and Kemp and Border hit doubles and Chad Switzer. Savell got off several Kilowatts walked. After single with the bases loaded. Af- running through the Kilowatt ter four Diamondback errors, the batting order, Savell came up single resulted in a grand slam. again and hit a triple to center. The final score was 9-1 in favor of With increasing ability to steal bases, the Kilowatts worked to-On Thursday, June 17, the gether to score 7 more times. Kilowatts went up against the Points were added by Savell, Kemp, Augustine, Rockett, Kilowatts had out-scored the Cats Border, Colton Gallaway and

The Kilowatts take on the Buffs lowed by Savell, Kemp and one more time Tuesday, June 22. Terrah Augustine. Savell then Come out and support Cross Plains Little League.

Submitted by **Brenda Switzer** 



To get your name on the Birthday Column, send your name and date of birth to The Cross Plains Review, P.O. Box 519, Cross Plains, Texas 76443. There is no charge for this service. To delete a name due to death or other reasons send name and birth date (Month and Day) or Call 254-725-6111

# to Nation's Capitol

On June 3rd, Clarence Andrew Walker and his sons, Darrell and Andy, along with Andy's wife Kasko, made a journey of a lifetime from Burkett, Texas to the World War II Memorial in the Nation's Capitol, Washington,

During their week long trip, they visited the D-Day Memorial in Bedford, Virginia, the newly dedicated World War II Memorial, the Vietnam Memorial Wall, the Korean Memorial, Arlington National Cemetery and various other National monuments in the Capitol. They also visited the

Smithsonian Air & Space Museum and returned through North Carolina, Georgia, Alabama and

The trip was especially poignant for Andrew who is a surviving World War II veteran. While in Washington, D.C. at the World War II Memorial. Andrew was interviewed by a local television station.

The trip was memorable for all, and went a long way to bringing healing and closure for at least one noble veteran who was willing to make the ultimate sacrifice for his country.

# **FSA Accepting** emergency

FSA Farm Loan Manager, Richard G. Young, is urging farmers who are interested in receiving an emergency loan to submit their applications into FSA as soon as possible. Richard G. Young said, "We hope farmers will get their applications in early rather than waiting until near the deadline, which is December 23, 2004. The longer they wait, the more chance there is for long delays. If the applications come in early, we can avoid backlogs and speed up the process."

Commercial in Anson, Texas. The telephone number is (325)

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# loan application

Callahan County was declared eligible for Farm Service Agency (FSA) disaster emergency loans on April 23, 2004. Generally, that means that farmers who have lost at lease 30 percent of their production due to drought that occurred from January 1, 2003, and continuing, are eligible for FSA loans. Proceeds from crop insurance are take into consideration when determining eligibil-

The FSA office is at 2003

Day Celebration

Planned at Clyde Lake Saturday, July 3rd

Clyde off FM 604.

There is no admission charge to enter the celebration, however Lions Club members will be asking for donations at the lake's main entrance gate during the

Activities this year include a 42 tournament which will begin at 4:00 p.m. Other activities scheduled include an anvil toss and children's games throughout the day, sponsored by the Clyde Girl Scouts. The Lions Club will also hold a horeshoe tournament during the day.

Bar-b-que sandwiches, soft drinks and water will be offered at the club's concession stand during the day-long event.

Music will take place under the lake's pavilion beginning at 4:00 p.m. The music will conclude at 8:00 p.m.

Everyone attending this year's celebration are encouraged to bring your lawn chairs because of a limited number of seating is available under the lake's pavil-

Everyone attending this year's celebration are reminded that no alcohol will be allowed inside the lake area and personal fireworks are banned from the celebration as well.

# Local Veteran, Travels Area Honor Students Cisco Junior College Announced **Registration Ongoing**

nounces area students who were semester of 2004. named to the President's List for the spring semester of 2004. Stu-following students earning a 3.5 dents making the President's List or better grade point average on a have made a straight "A" record 4.0 system: on a 4.0 system. They include:

**Cross Plains** Danielle Rivard Remington O'Dell Carrie Rogers Hutton **Emily Winfrey Rising Star** Jessica Gresham George Hines Jarrad Hoggett Clarissia Nall Baird Matthew Beschoner Vanita Monsey Clyde Jason Fortune

Audora Huff

**Escalating natural gas prices** 

lead to rate increase petition

impact."

Area students were recently named to the Dean's List at Cisco

HOUSTON (June 11,

2004)—Due to a 16.7 percent

increase in natural gas prices

since February 2004, WTU Re-

tail Energy L.P. filed a request

with the Public Utility Commis-

sion of Texas late yesterday to

raise the fuel factors included in

its Price to Beat rate for custom-

ers. If approved, the change

will increase residential cus-

tomers' bills by approximately

\$11.54 per month for usage of

"Natural gas is the main

source of fuel for the electricity

we provide to our customers,"

said Don Whaley, president of

WTU Retail Energy. "Because

of this, the price of natural gas

greatly impacts the cost of elec-

tricity and the rate we must

charge customers. Just as

we've seen with gasoline, the

unprecedented natural gas

1,000 kilowatt-hours.

Cisco Junior College an- Junior College for the spring

The Dean's List includes the

Joel McCready James Ross **Rising Star** Jeffery Chisholm Baird Mandi Cauthen Amanda Manning Carrie Marsh **Thomas Smith** Clyde **Delores Brooks** Oscar Chabarria **Tamarin Cooley** Sharla Durham Matthew Helton Emma Reynolds

Paul Yarbrough

prices are affecting all busi-

nesses. Unfortunately, our business isn't immune to this

If this fuel factor increase re-

quest is approved, WTU Retail

Energy customers are assured

of no further fuel factor increase

in 2004. The Commission will

rule on WTU Retail Energy's

About WTU Retail Energy

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sors have provided electricity to

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cluding Abilene, Alpine and

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group of companies, a leading

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other essential service world-

filing within 45 days.

**Cross Plains** 

the Summer II semester and the Campus Connect for instructions Fall 2004 semester. Online on how to register online. registration for Summer II ends July 5, and online registration for meet the Texas Success Initiative Fall 2004 ends August 25.

and fall classes begin August 27. (325) 794-4400. Visit our website at

Cisco Junior College online www.cisco.tx.us; click on the registration is now underway for Student Information link and

To register for courses you must For more requirements. Course schedules are listed on information call the campus in the CJC website. First class for Cisco (254) 442-2567 or the the Summer II semester is July 6, Abilene Educational Center

# Area CJC 2004 **Graduates Announced**

Cisco Junior College held its annual commencement exercises in the Harrell Fine Arts Auditorium on Friday, April 30, 2004. Ninety-seven students representing both the Cisco campus and the Abilene Educational Center received their Associate degrees. Area students who received degrees

**Cross Plains** Jessica L. Childress AA Baird Mandi D. Cauthen AA Chad A. Franke AA Carrie A. Marsh AAS Marian K. Windham AA **Rising Star** Jeffrey B. Chisholm AA Jessica M. Gresham AAS Teisha M. Harrelson AA

# Tarleton State **Graduates Announced**

STEPHENVILLE, TX—A list of spring graduates from Tarleton State University has recently been released. There were 572 baccalaureate degrees and 169 Masters degrees awarded during ceremonies held at both the Stephenville and Killeen campuses.

The following area students were among those receiving de-

Baird Elisha Brooke Henley -BA English

Clyde Misty Lea Johnson -

BS-Ag Services & Development **Cross Plains** Dusty Brenn Anderson -**BS-Biology** May Adelita Olva Alonzo -

Mickey David Harris\* -**BS-Biology** Leah Carnrike Phillips\* -**BS-Interdisciplinary Studies** 

**BSN-Nursing** 

**Rising Star** 

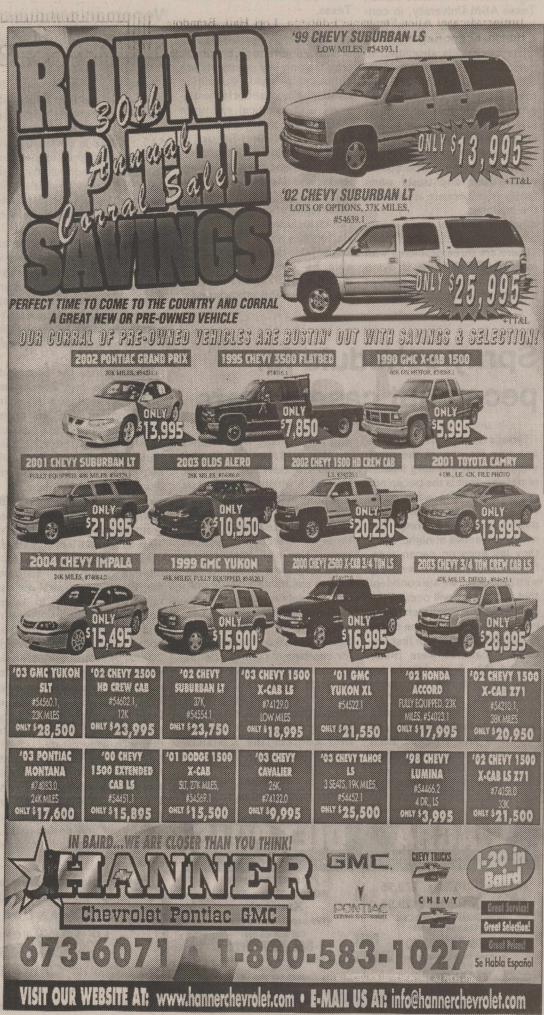
Tara Lynn Donham\* -**BS-Interdisciplinary Studies** 

\*Indicates they graduated with Honors.

# Independence

The annual Clyde Lions Club Independence Day celebration will take place at Clyde Lake on Saturday, July 3, 2004 beginning at 4:00 p.m. and will conclude at dark with a fireworks display over the lake. Clyde Lake is located five miles south of

This year, the Peoples State Bank is sponsoring this year's fireworks display and the Clyde Fire Department's Rick Gilmore will again serve as the pyrotechnic engineer for the fireworks display.



# LETTER TO

Dear Editor:

I believe that 99.9% of the people in this nation are not in favor for having to buy products from our enemies, communist China, and other communist countries. I believe that 99.9% of the people are not for entering into trade agreements through the United Nations and the WTO, i.e., World Trade Organization, whereby money is used to subsidize factories in poor nations so that they can export their products to the USA and other nations while not having any money to buy imports from the USA and other countries.

Levi Strauss recently closed their factories in the USA and moved to China and Mexico. China and Mexico are poor nations who don't have any money to buy our products after we put a necessary margin of profit on our products to be able to stay in business. So, where is the trade? There are no trades; there are only imports from other countries, and we have no exports

So, are we fighting communism -or-, are the majority of our politicians aiding and abetting communism?

I believe that we no longer have a government of the people, by the people, and for the people. Instead, we have a government that makes laws for "Special Interest" trade groups.

NAFTA i.e., North America Free Trade Agreement, CAFTA i.e., Central America Free Trade Agreement, FTAA i.e., Free Trade Area of the Americas. WTO and the UN are all very undesirable and are taking away our sovereign authority.

Pray for those in authority.

Sincerely, Jim Hicks 503 Goin St. Clyde, TX

# Nominations being accepted for Star of Texas Awards

AUSTIN-Gov. Rick Perry today announced that nominations are currently being accepted for Star of Texas awards to honor those Texans who made profound sacrifices while performing their duties as peace officers, firefighters and emergency medical first responders.

"The Star of Texas Awards recognize the important work that peace officers, firefighters and emergency medical services personnel perform everyday and they honor our first responders for the sacrifices they have made in the line of duty," Perry said.

One individual from each category of first responders (peace officers, firefighters, emergency medical service personnel) will be chosen to represent the commitment and sacrifice involved in sustaining a serious injury or the loss of life in the line of duty. Selections will be made by three separate advisory committees, one for each category of first responder, who will provide recommendations for the final selections. The advisory committees are appointed by the Governor.

In 2003, the 78th Texas Legislature passed House Bill 9 to create Texas First Responders Day and House Bill 1937, which created the Star of Texas Awards. September 11th of every year is designated as Texas First Responders Day and is the day that the Governor will present the Star of Texas Awards for each category of first responders.

Nominations for each category of first responder may be submitted until July 7th of each year to be considered for that year's award. To nominate an individual for a Star of Texas Award, please visit the Governor's website at www.governor.state.tx.us.

# Ranch Estate Planning Seminar set in College Station

over \$200,000 in estate taxes." A. Hayenga, Texas Extension Economist and Attorney, assumes a lot of information: a married couple who "like each other" and want to care for each other, who have a ranch worth \$1 million or more, and want to pass it on to their children.

This is an eye opening fact for many ranchers. In fact, many people only worry about estate planning if they hear of a friend's "problem" in selling a ranch to pay estate taxes. "But," Hayenga continued, "for many families the estate tax savings are not as large as income tax savings if they have a properly prepared estate plan."

A seminar discussing these complicated tax topics will be held at College Station on August 4 and 5, 2004, at the College Station Conference Center, Texas A&M University, in conjunction with the Annual Beef Dr. Hayenga is an excellent Cattle Short Course.

help ranchers learn how to lower emphasizing key points with an their tax burden and ease ad- entertaining style, illustrating ministrative burdens that affect estate and income tax law provipassing their estates to their loved ones. In addition to discussing estate planning systems, tax savings possibilities will be discussed using corporations, tical experience as a farmer, partnerships and trusts when family members are involved in

the business. Making gifts to avoid estate taxes will be discussed also. "There are three problems with making gifts-the first is dying poor; the second is the adverse

"A properly drawn estate plan gift can cause the recipient; the may save many ranch families third is when somebody other than your intended beneficiary This statement made by Wayne ultimately gets the gifted prop-

> Two problems that affect family operations-planning for inflation and growth needs of the business will be discussed. Another topic, how to be fair among all children when one child is interested in the ranch and others are not, will be addressed.

> The speaker, Wayne A. Hayenga, is a Professor and Extension Specialist with Texas Cooperative Extension. An agricultural economist and attorney, Dr. Hayenga works extensively with farmers, ranchers and family-owned firms in financial, business and estate tax planning. He is a member of the Texas and American Bar Associations and the American Agricultural Law Association. He is active in the Agricultural Law Committee of the State Bar of Texas.

communicator. He delivers a top-The seminar is structured to notch educational program, sions with practical examples that make learning a pleasure. His teaching makes full use of his broad background and praclender and lawyer.

The registration fee is \$100.00 (which includes seminar materials, lunches and refreshments). Registration information is available by contacting Sharon Wehring at (979) 845-2226 or income tax consequences the e-mail at: swehring@tamu.edu

# Spray schedule for pecan nut casebearers

Time is approaching to start scouting for one of the most important nut-infesting insects of pecans, that is the pecan nut casebearer. The adult casebearer is a gray almost black moth about 1/3 inch long. The moths are active at night, when they lay eggs on pecan nuts. From research and working with producers we are confident that an egg lay will occur 7-10 days after the first catch of the moths using pheromone traps. In Callahan County our first significant catches were made around May 8-11. Eggs are oval, flat and tiny, just large enough to be seen with the unaided eye. Nut clusters with eggs can be tagged with a piece of ribbon and checked each day to determine an exact hatch date. Insecticides need to be applied 1-2 days after first

egg is hatched. With catches on May 8-11, nut entry is predicted to occur 12-16 days after this catch which would give us the spray schedule on May 20-26. Proper scouting is suggested to determine the best time for insecticide applications. However, homeowners have very few choices in products to use for casebearer control. Malathion 50% EC at 2 tablespoons per gallon or several of the BT products are labeled for use by homeowners for casebearer control. Before purchasing and applying an insecticide, always read the label to determine of the product is labeled for use on the target plant site. For more information contact the Callahan County Extension Office at (325) 854-1518.

Sincerely, Robert Pritz Callahan County CEA-Ag

# Stenholm statement on supreme court Cisco Junior ruling regarding pledge of allegiance

"I am very pleased the U.S. trict because he said the daily our National Motto or our curthe ability of school children to when it ruled that the case, Elk Constitution. Grove Unified School District v. of Michael Newdow.

this case due to the fact that he our faith in God is what makes does not have sufficient cus- us a strong nation, founded in tody of his daughter, and thus liberty, freedom and justice. I does not have the legal author- hope that our references to the tion of the First Amendment ity to speak for her. Newdow divine, whether in our Pledge, and should be overturned. sued his daughter's school dis-

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Tourism means adding

Network and the Texas Forts Shows.

Trail Region will host a one-day

Tourism is an acknowledged

means of enhancing rural econo-

into the millions of dollars spent

each year by travelers and visi-

Travel Industry Association and

Nanci Liles, Executive Director

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Tourism, Cultural & Heritage

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seum Resources for Funding and

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center opened in April. A special

Exhibits for Small Museums.

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Texas Midwest Community reach and Participation in Travel

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information on methods to tap nity or organization. Walk in

tors. Featured speakers include office at 325-676-0329 or 800-

Paul Serff, CEO for the Texas 845-3563 or tmcn@tmcn.org

Visitors Bureau. Seminar topics tft@texasfortstrail.com

Tourism, Working in Tourism, Network is a regional organiza-

Participants will also be treated action. It is an organization of

to a tour of Frontier Texas!, a communities working together

regional attraction and visitor to accomplish what one com-

breakout session for Chamber Texas Forts Trail Region organi-

of Commerce leaders will offer zation is a heritage tourism part-

tips on Annual Banquets, Fund nership sponsored by the Texas

Raising Ideas, Community Out- Historical Commission.

Supreme Court today preserved recitation of the Pledge of Alle- rency will be kept strong to regiance is unconstitutional under mind future generations that this recite the Pledge of Allegiance the First Amendment of the

I am most pleased by Chief traditions. Newdow, cannot proceed due Justice William Rehnquist's conto the insufficient legal standing curring opinion that the Pledge, as recited by our school chil-The ruling of the court bars Mr. dren, does not violate the Consense of the House of Represen-Newdow from proceeding with stitution. I firmly believe that tatives that the Ninth Circuit

The best value of the day will

seminar is \$25/person prior to

June 14. A special group rate of

\$20/person is available for a

registration is \$35. For more

information contact the TMCN

mailto:tmcn@tmcn.org or the

Texas Forts Trail Region office

325-676-1762

mailto:tim@texasfortstrail.com.

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great nation relies on its spiritual roots as greatly as our secular

NOTE: On March 20, 2003, Stenholm voted for House Resolution 132 which expressed the Court of Appeals ruling on the Pledge case is inconsistent with the Supreme Court's interpreta-

# Writing workshop in Abilene October 16

Tess Gerritsen, NY Times bestselling fiction author, to speak at the Abilene Writers Guild's annual Writing Workshop, October 16, 2004, luncheon and contest awards to follow.

The contest has cash prizes awarded in nine categories of competition. Postmark entry deadline is August 2, 2004.

Everyone is welcome to participate. For workshop information & contest guidelines, visit the writers guild website at (254) 442-5174. www.abilenewritersguild.org

College Hosting Basketball Camps

The Cisco Junior College Basketball Program will be hosting four different Wrangler Basketball Camps this summer. Tommy Simmons, CJC's women's basketball coach, said that the camps will focus on fundamental drills, skills games and contests, and five on five league games. Meals and rooms will be provided for overnight campers and each will receive a camp T-shirt.

The first girls' camp will be held July 9-11. The Girls Team Camp is designed for High School Varsity and JV girls' teams. Girls Fundamental Camp is for girls in 4th through 12th grades and will be July 11-16. Boys' camps begin July 16 with the Boys Team Camp. This camp is for High School Varsity and JV boys' teams and will be held July 17-18. Boys Fundamental Camp is for boys in 4th through 12th grades and

will be held July 18-23. For more information and a camp application, please contact Andy Collier at (254) 442-5144 or Tommy Simmons

# New nationwide campaign helps consumers as energy department predicts rising electricity rates

WHAT: Just in time for air conditioning season, anew Energy Efficiency Campaign is reaching out to children and adults living in all types of dwellings in the United States. whether a house, apartment or condo, in an effort to educate them on the benefits of smart energy usage.

WHY: According to recent data from the Energy Department, retail electricity prices this summer are expected to rise-averaging 9.5 cents per kilowatt-hour, an increase of 3.5% over 2003.

WHO: Energy experts are available to speak to media keep their home energy costs down while staying cool, despite soaring rates and temperatures expected this sum-

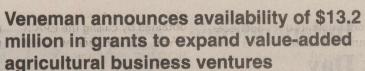
This campaign is produced by

sored by Energy Outreach Colorado, and supported by the leading energy experts at the U.S. Department of Energy, The Home Depot, the North American Insulation Manufactures Association, the National Fuel Funds Network and 20 state energy offices throughout the United States.

WHERE: Additional energy efficiency information is availline on www.enerayhoa.ora. signed for both adults and children, the site contains useful tips on energy efficiency improvement projects as well as links to related energy effi-

CONTACT: For campaign details, spokesperson information and/or visuals: Mike 214-259-3438, mike.breslin@ketchum.com

Alison Cox, 214-259-3444,



-Agriculture Secretary Ann M. Veneman today announced the availability of \$13.2 million in grants that will support the development of value-added agriculture business ventures and support President Bush's energy plan to develop alternative sources of renewable energy.

Bryan Daniel State Director for USDA Rural Development in Texas said, "The Value-Added Producer Grant Program offers Texas producers and businesses with opportunities to obtain capital to develop valueadded products that can benefit all Texans.'

"Since 2001, the Bush Administration has committed over \$100 million to support the development and enhancement of value-added agricultural investments," said Veneman. "These finds will help create new job opportunities in rural communities."

Veneman said priority consideration will be given to those grant applications that have at least 51% of project costs dedicated to planning activities for a bio-energy project. To date, the Bush Administration has funded \$15 million in valueadded development centers and over \$85 million in valueadded grants, including nearly 70 energy projects. The renewable energy projects involve bio-diesel, ethanol or wind energy production or the use of bio-mass to generate energy. As a result of these projects, 669 jobs were created. Additionally, the ethanol plants have added or will add 679 million gallons per year of capacity and the bio-diesel plants have added or will add 41 million gallons per year of capacity.

The Value-Added Producer

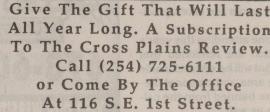
TEMPLE, TEXAS, June 8, Grant program was authorized tion Act of 2000 (P.L. 106-224) and the 2002 Farm Bill (P.L. 107-171). Grants are available to independent producers, agricultural producer groups, farmer or rancher cooperatives, and majority-controlled producer-based business ventures interested in a competitivelyawarded grant to fund one of the following two activities: (1) planning activities needed to establish a viable value-added marketing opportunity for an agriculture product (e.g. conduct a feasibility study, develop a business plan, develop a marketing plan); or 2) acquire working capital to operate a value-added business venture that will allow producers to better compete in domestic and international markets.

> Awards will be made on a competitive basis. Applications must be received no later than July 30, 2004. Detailed information about application and program requirements were included in the June 15, 2004 publication of the Federal Register.

> USDA Rural Development's mission is to deliver programs in a way that will support increasing economic opportunity and improve the quality of life of rural residents. As a venture capital entity, Rural Development, provides equity and technical assistance to finance and foster growth homeownership, business development, and critical community and technology infrastructure. Further information on rural programs is available at a local USDA Rural Development office or by visiting USDA's web site at http:// www.rurdev.usda.gov.



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KIWANIS CLUB NEWS—Rusty Maisel (left) was the guest speaker for the Kiwanis Club meeting. Ronnie White (right) introduced Mr. Maisel to the club. Rusty spoke about "The Enduring Word, A MOVABLE MUSEUM". He answered questions and gave presentations about the documents. Kiwanis meet every Tuesday, 12 Noon at Jean's Feed Barn. Everyone is welcome.



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# Cisco Junior College **Reinstating Theatre** Program Production in July

Cisco Junior College is reinstating its theatre program and has hired William (Billy) Smith to serve as Director of Theatre and to teach music. CJC offers excellent theatre scholarships. Students interested in applying for a theatre scholarship are encouraged to contact Director of Theatre Billy Smith, at the Cisco campus by calling (254) 442-5019 or e-mailing wsmith@cisco.cc.tx.us. He will serve as the Artistic Director for the Big Country Dinner Theatre the Hilton in Cisco this summer, and is currently preparing for the

production, which will be held in July.

According to John Waggoner, curator for the Hilton Museum located in Hilton's first Hotel," Billy Smith brings to Cisco Junior College's drama program and to the Big Country Dinner Theatre at the Hilton the expertise of over 20 years of college and semiprofessional theatre experience. He is a veteran professor, performer, musician, designer, director and producer. The college is indeed fortunate to have him on our fine arts faculty, and the Hilton Theatre is likewise gratified."



Happy Birthday

JUNE 26 Marlene Cowan Leah (King) Orum Florine Forbes Ronnie Wilson Mrs. Ben Wagner Allisha Branham Janet Moore Sharon (Walker) Harris Tara Barnett Ashley Wagner

JUNE 27 Merle Walker Amos Connie Swift Alan Duane Hutchins Stephen Wagner Ron Ricci Colton Bonner McWilliams B.J. Wood

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Consumer Confience Report 2003 Drinking Water

Quality Report Callahan County Water Supply Corporation (915) 893-3841

**Our Drinking Water** Meets or Exceeds All Federal (EPA) Drinking Water

Requirements This report is a summary of the quality of the water we provide our customers. The analysis was made by using the data from the most recent U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) required tests and is presented in the attached pages. We hope this information helps you become more knowledgeable about what's in your drinking water. En Espanol

Este reporte incluye informacion importante sobre el agua para tomar. Si tiene preguntas o' discusiones sobre este reporte en espanol, favor de llamar al tel. (915) 893-3841 par hablar con una persona bilingue en espanol.

Where do we get our drinking

Our drinking water is obtained from Surface water sources. It comes from the following Lake/River/Reservoir/ Aquifer: Abilene Lake. TCEQ will be reviewing all of Texas' drinking water sources. The source water assessment has been completed and the report will be available this year. It allows us to focus on our source water protection activi-

**Public Participation** opportunities Date: 4th Monday of each

month. Time: 7:00 P.M. Location: 218 North Access Road of Interstate 20, Clyde, Phone Number: (915) 893-

All drinking water may

contain contaminants When drinking water meets federal standards there may not be any health based benefits to purchasing bottled water or point of use devices.

Drinking water, including bottled water, may reasonably be expected to contain at least small amounts of some contaminants. The presence of contaminants does not necessarily indicate that water poses a health risk. More information about contaminants and potential health effects can be obtained by calling the Envi-Protection Agency's Safe Drinking Water Hotline (800-426-4791).

Message from the EPA...

Contamination may occur as the water travels over the surface of the land, dissolving naturally occurring minerals,

radioactive material, or picking up substances resulting from the presence of animals or from human activity.

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Special Notice for the Elderly, Infants, Cancer Patients, people with HIV/ AIDS or other immune problems:

Some people may be more vulnerable to chemical contaminants in drinking water than the general population. Immuno-compromised persons such as persons with cancer undergoing chemo-

therapy, persons who have undergone organ transplants, people with HIV/ AIDS or other immune system disorders, some elderly, and infants can be particularly at risk from infections. These people should seek advice about drinking water from their health care providers. Additional guidelines on appropriate means to lessen the risk of infection by Cryptosporidium and other microbial contaminants are available from the EPA'S Safe Drinking Water Hotline (800-426-

**Definitions** 

Maximum Contaminant Level (MCL) The highest permissible level of a contaminant in drinking water. MCLs are set as close to the MCLGs as feasible using the best available treatment technol-

Maximum Contaminant

Level Goal (MCLG) The level of a contaminant in drinking water below which there is no known or expected health risk. MCLGs allow for a margin of safety.

Treatment Technique (TT) A required process intended to reduce the level of a contaminant in drinking water. Action Level (AL) The concentration of a contaminant which, if exceeded, triggers treatment or other require-

ments which a water system

NTU - Nephelometric Turbidity Units.

must follow.

MFL - million fibers per liter (a measure of asbestos) pCi/l - picocuries per liter (a measure of radioactivity) ppm - parts per million or milligrams per liter (mg/l). ppb - parts per billion or micrograms per liter (ug/l). ppt - parts per trillion or nanograms per liter.

ppq - parts per quadrillion, or picograms per liter.

norganics							
Year	Constituent	Highest Level at Any Sampling Point	Range of Detected Levels	MCL	MCLG	Unit of Measure	Source of Constituent
2002	Arsenic	4.5	3.8000- 4.5000	50	0	ppb	Erosion of natural deposits; Runoff from orchards; Runoff from glass and electronics production wastes.
2002	Barium	0.249	0.1200- 0.2490	2	2	ppm	Discharge of drilling wastes; Discharge from metal refineries; Erosion of natural deposits.
2003	Fluoride	0.2	0.0000-	4	4	ppm	Erosion of natural deposits; Water additive which promotes strong teeth; Discharge from fertilizer and aluminum factories.
2003	Nitrate	0.58	0.3700- 0.5800	10	10	ppm	Runoff from fertilizer use; Leaching from septic tanks, sewage; Erosion of natural deposits.
2002	Selenium	13.3	12.9000- 13.3000	50	50	ppb	Discharge from petroleum and metal refineries; Erosion of natural deposits; Discharge from mines.
2003	Gross beta emitters	9.1	4.2000- 9.1000	50	0	pci/l	Decay of natural and man- made deposits.

2003-2003 Bromodichloromethane	42.5	13.0000- 72.0000	ppb	Unregulated contaminant monitoring helps EPA to
Care				determine where certain contaminants occur and whether it needs to regulate those contaminants
2003-2003 Dibromochloromethane	23.45	1.9000-45.000	00 ppb	Unregulated contaminant monitoring helps EPA to
				determine where certain contaminants occur and whether it needs to regulate those

Turbidity

Turbidity has no health effects. However, turbidity can interfere with disinfection and provide a medium for microbial growth. Turbidity may indicate the presence of disease-causing organisms. These organisms include bacteria, viruses, and parasites that can cause symptoms such as nausea, cramps, diarrhea and associated headaches

Year Constituent	Highest Single Measurement	Lowest Monthly % of Samples Meeting Limits	Turbidity Limits	Unit of Source of Constituent Measure	
2003 Turbidity	. 25 NTU	0.3NTU	0	NTU Soil runoff.	1.20%

Year	Constituent	Average of All Sampling Points	Range of Detected Levels	Unit of Measure	Reason for Monitoring
2003-2003	ISD	48.5 1 wine male 1 54-725-6213	38.0000- 59.0000	ppb	Unregulated contaminant monitoring helps EPA to determine where certain contaminants occur and whether in needs to regulate those contaminants
2003-2003	Bromoform	2.35	0.0000-4.7000	ppb	Unregulated contaminant monitoring helps EPA to determine where certain
		ooking for			contaminants occur and whether i needs to regulate those contaminants

Year	Constituent	The 90th Percentile	Number of Sites Exceeding Action Level	Action Level	Unit of Measure	Source of Constituent
2001	Copper	0.5460	O/dep. 0 m	1.3	ppm 012	Corrosion of household plumbing systems; Erosion of natural deposits; Leaching from wood preservatives.
2001	Lead	4.6000	254-025-74	15	ppb	Corrosion of household plumbing systems; Erosion of natural deposits.

Total Coliform NOT DETECTED

Fecal Coliform NOT DETECTED

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The concentration of a contaminant which, if exceeded, triggers treatment or other requirements which a water system must follow.

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of radioactivity) parts per million, or milligrams per liter (mg/l) parts per billion, or micrograms per

liter (µg/l)

parts per quadrillion, or picograms per

parts per trillion, or nanograms per liter

Secondary Constituents Many constituents (such as calcium, sodium or iron) which are often found in drinking water, can cause taste, color, and odor problems. The taste and odor constituents are called secondary constituents and are regulate by the State of Texas, not EPA. These constituents are not causes for health concerns. Therefore, secondaries are not required to be reported in this document but they may greatly affect the appearance and taste of your water.

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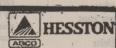


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**Family Reunion** 

I went to a family reunion last week. We rode for five hours to get there and riding is not easy for me. The beds were strange, I did not have my lift chair to assist me in rising and I ate far too much

I asked myself "Why am I doing this?" I guess one would call it the survival of the species. (At least my line of the species.)

My uncle is in his late 80's and very much the head of the family. His sister, my aunt, is in her 80's also, and the reigning matriarch. Each reunion I congratulate myself on visiting with them one more time.

In addition to Aunt and Uncle, there were about sixty others, cousins assorted kin, and their mates. I remarked to my daughter that the cousins I was talking to were favorites from my childhood. There was sort of a reconnection, and somehow I felt younger.

Our family is a unique bunch in that we have two reunions a year and enjoy being together each time. As tired and bodystressed as I was, I made the

connection for another six months, and will probably go

> Blood is truly thicker than water, and I think my family is one that should continue.

**Family Reunion** I visited with a cousin from my

And tasted a twinge of nostal-

Connection between past, present, and future life.

For so many people together, absence of strife.

There were some of all our generations.

I think each declared it good. Each has a place. And we con-

All of us thinking we should.

We rejoice and think we are fortunate. Each one is glad to be to-

One more year, in spite of the

We made it again and we think it is neat.

# Suggestions for staying healthy in hot weather

The sun is shining and skies are clear. Summer in Texas invites outdoor activities. But the need to drink fluids frequently, intense heat that marks the season also can signal the need to take health precautions.

A Preliminary numbers from the Texas Department of Health (TDH) show that there were 40 heat-related deaths of Texas residents last year. A total of 38 deaths were recorded in 2002 and 26 deaths in 2001. In 2000 in Texas 64 people died of exposure to excessive natural heat.

The elderly, the very young, those who are sick or without access to air conditioning are most severely affected by heat. Children left in closed vehicles, even for a short period of time, are at great risk.

people. But high temperatures and high humidity can overwork the body. Dehydration and heat illness can result if a person does not replace fluids lost during perspiration.

Symptoms of heat illness include heavy sweating, muscle cramps, weakness, dizziness, nausea, weak but rapid pulse and headaches. People with these symptoms should find shade, drink water slowly and make sure there is good ventila-

If fluids are not replaced soon enough, heat stroke can result, potentially leading brain damage or death. Get immediate medical attention for anyone with extremely high body temperature, red and dry skin, rapid pulse, confusion and loss of consciousness.

Staying in an air-conditioned area, either at home or in a public place such as a mall, library or recreation center, is the most effective way to fight heat. If air conditioning is not available, pull the shades over the windows and use cross-ventilation and fans to cool rooms.

an effective way to cool off. keep home temperatures lower.

Children can quickly become dehydrated in hot weather. They especially water, and wear lightcolored, loose-fitting clothes. Avoid drinks that are heavily sweetened or contain caffeine. Check on children often, especially if they are playing outside in high temperatures. TDH offers these heat precautions:

· Never leave anyone in a closed, parked vehicle during hot weather, even for a short

 Drink plenty of fluids but avoid drinks with alcohol, caffeine or a lot of sugar. Start drinking fluids before going out into the heat.

 Plan strenuous outdoor ac-Perspiration normally cools tivity for early morning or late evening when the temperature is lower. Use a repellent containing DEET to avoid insect bites. • Take frequent breaks when

> working outside · Wear sun block, hats and light-colored, loose-fitting

· Stay indoors in air condition-

ing as much as possible. • Eat more frequently but be sure meals are well balanced

 Don't dress infants in heavy clothing or wrap them in blan-

· Check frequently on the elderly and those who are ill or may need help.

· Check with a doctor about the effects of sun and heat when taking prescription drugs, especially diuretics or antihistamines.

 At first signs of heat illness dizziness, nausea, headaches, muscle cramps-move to a cooler place, rest a few minutes, then slowly drink a cool beverage. Seek medical attention immediately if conditions do not improve. Prevention is the best defense against heat-related illness and death. Staying cool, A cool shower or bath also is drinking plenty of fluids, wearing cool clothing and pacing Limit use of stoves and ovens to outdoor activities are keys to staying healthy in hot weather.

# **Summer Is** the Time to Watch for Parasites on **Your Pets**

In most of the country, summer is the time to be on the lookout for parasites--that is tough little ticks, fleas and other nasty pests which can cause serious skin problems for our

These are some points to remember: (1) scratching and itching can be year-round problems for many cats, dogs and birds, but skin diseases often get an extra boost about the time summer starts. (2) Some animals are affected more seriously than others. For example, fleas can be devastating to some very young dogs and cats, while other animals don't exhibit symptoms until after they mature. Also, warm weather plant growth can revive allergies, particularly in humid climates, and parasites can make the allergic animal even more miserable.

Since scratching and itching are so common, why should you be especially concerned? First, your suffering animal friend can become grouchy from the constant irritation. Gradually, it may become unhappy and foul smelling, a very unpleasant version of that friendly pet which was once so easy to love.

Second, many skin diseases can become virtually impossible to treat successfully if you didn't get professional help before the problem reaches an advanced stage.

Third, painful skin lesionsoften called "hot spots"-occur when your pet continues to lick and chew any part of its body that is itching and burning. If allowed to go untreated, large areas (sometimes, the width of two hands) may quickly develop that can eventually require drying lotions and antibiotics and even sedation and restraining devices to stop the agony your pet will experience.

What can you do to help your pet avoid suffering needlessly while also avoiding big bills for

Begin by watching carefully for any symptom or pattern (such as scratching or irritability which may be caused by lack of sleep due to continuous itching) your watchfulness can help pinpoint the professional diagnosis that's a must for an early, effective and low cost treatment.

Another step to take is to control parasites which create the trouble. Products are available which are effective in killing ticks, fleas and other pests. Since some work better than others, get professional advice on products and usage before you spend your money.

Remember, de-fleaing or deticking your pet once or twice a season, or on a regular basis, isn't enough. The only real solution is to remove the pests from your pet's environment, and this means controlling the sources in your home and yard. The good news is that once the insect population is under control, it's fairly easy to maintain a pest-free environment.

# Rural Texas communities awarded over \$48 million in state grants

day announced it has awarded 198 grants totaling \$48,778,573 to rural cities and counties across the state for infrastructure, public facility improvements, housing unit rehabilitation and planning and capacity building activities. The awards are the result of biennial competitions for the Community Development, Housing Rehabilitation, and Planning and Capacity Building

Funds, which are part of the agency's federally funded Texas this fund. Community Development Program (TCDP) 'These funds provide for the basic necessities that many of

J. "Sam" Tessen, MS, ORCA's Executive Director. "The monies are vital to rural Texas communities with limited funding options to cover infrastructure needs. ORCA's mission is to assist these communities in the most efficient, cost-effective means possible for the benefit of our fellow Texans, and these federally funded non-entitlement grants help us to help rural com-

man needs. "TCDP funds are development tools for neighborhood stabilization, revitalization, economic development, and other critical community development needs," Tessen continued. "The program brings together residents, local officials, community development corporations, and community and business

efit local communities." The Community Development Fund is currently distributed on a biennial basis through annual competitions held in each of the twenty-four state planning regions. The Community Development Fund principally addresses water, sewer, and housing projects that benefit low-

leaders in partnerships that ben-

(AUSTIN) The Office of Rural income persons. A total of 170 Community Affairs (ORCA) to- awards totaling \$46,519,278

were granted from this fund. The Housing Rehabilitation Fund is distributed on a biennial basis for projects that support the rehabilitation of existing owner-occupied and renter-occupied housing units. The selection scoring system encourages activities that will make existing housing units accessible to persons with disabilities. A total of six awards totaling \$1,500,000 were granted from

Funding from the Planning and Capacity Building Fund is available on a competitive basis for planning activities that assess us take for granted," said Robt. local needs, develop strategies to address local needs, build or improve local capacity, or that address other needed local planning elements. The planning process undertaken with these funds should result in an improved local capacity to identify long and short term needs and to develop implementable strategies to address the identified community needs. Emphasis is placed on public works and munities provide for basic huhousing assistance planning. A total of 22 awards totaling \$759,295 were granted from this

For a complete listing of grantees and awarded projects, please visit the agency's website at www.orca.state.tx.us.

The US Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) is the funding source for TCDP, which administers the nation's largest Community Development Block Grant Program. The state's TCDP is a flexible, community-based program that provides muchneeded resources to 1,017 eligible rural communities and 245 eligible rural counties, and provides services to over 375,000 beneficiaries each year.

Of the 1,017 cities eligible for ernment for rural citizens.

TCDP funds, 740 have a population of less than 3,000 and 424 have a population of less than 1,000. The demographics and rural characteristics of Texas have shaped a program that focuses on providing basic human needs and sanitary infrastructure to small rural communities in outlying areas.

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ORCA was created by the 77th Legislature to facilitate and focus the State's health, economic development, and community development programs targeting rural communities in Texas. ORCA's programs and services support health care delivery in rural Texas, and address rural community planning activities, and housing and public facility needs such as sewer, water system, road, drainage improvements, and disaster relief funds. ORCA is the door to Texas gov-

# Headaches and hot flashes

By Patti J. Patterson, M.D. Vice President for Rural and Community Health

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For many women, menopause is one of life's unwanted gifts and something one would rather not suffer through. However, with aging inevitably comes menopause. Some women may only experience mild menopausal symptoms while for others, symptoms are severe. Women have many options to keep their bodies healthy as they go through these changes, but all women should consult a physician before taking any type of medication to relieve menopausal symptoms.

For some women hormone replacement therapy offers the answer to the hot flashes, mood swings and insomnia of menopause. But, according to Alan Kaye, M.D., Ph.D., professor and chairman of the Department of Anesthesiology, studies show many women are now seeking alternative therapies such as herbal supplements to cope with menopausal symptoms. Women substitute herbal medicines in hormone replacement therapy for different reasons. "Synthetic estrogen and progesterone do not always work like natural estrogen in a woman's body. Also, women who have a history of cancer fear that estrogen and progesterone may increase their cancer risk and choose not to take them. Other women may not have a physician to visit on a regular basis, and find it easier to purchase herbal supplements at the local store," Kaye said.

Despite the recent trends, use of herbal supplements represents many uncertainties and unknown health risks. Herbal supplements are not regulated by the Federal Drug Administration and thus do not undergo the same rigorous safety testing as conventional drugs. Each pill may not contain all of the ingredients listed, nor the indicated amount of each ingredient.

Women should consult with their physicians if they are using herbal supplements. However, in a recent study, Kaye found one-third of the study subjects were taking herbal supplements and 70 percent of those had not told their physicians. Some herbal supplements may have

serious side effects or have harmful interactions with other medications. "Before choosing to take herbal supplements, women need to find out which supplements they can safely take by asking a health care profes-

sional," said Kaye. Kaye notes that 30 percent of traditional medicines come from herbs and botanicals, and traditionally trained health care providers are continuing to educate themselves on herbal supplements. "Women need to be very careful about self-medicating, and should decide with their health care provider the possible personal benefits and risks of hormone replacement therapy or other available alternatives" said Kaye.

#### **Callahan County DPS Report**

Calls received by the Callahan County Department of Public Safety from June 6, 2004 through June 12, 2004 include:

Cases Investigated Warnings-106 Complaints—159

Minor in Possession—1 Driving While License Invalid-SR Suspension—1 Minor in Consumption of Alco-

Public Intoxication—1 Open Container—3

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