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"The Spiritual Connection"

By Vanda Anderson
Editor

Have you ever met a person for the first time and you felt this immediate connection to them? It was like you already knew them, and there was a desire to know them better—something unexplainable.

I'm not talking about romantic chemicals between a male and female. It is more powerful than that. I use to think it was a type of intuition or perhaps first impression.

This strong emotional bond has been happening to me for years and I never knew its true meaning until Vance Underwood, a special speaker at a church meeting identified the sensation. He called it the spiritual bond between those who love the Lord.

Wallace Bennett says, "It occurs when two people in tune with God's will (or trying their best) meet. It has to do with the Holy Spirit within us." He noted that it seems to be more effective as we grow older. Wallace said he has even experienced this "spiritual bond" while talking to someone on the telephone and I have, too. You certainly don't have to be face to face for the Holy Spirit to be effective. Oh yes, the first time I met Wallace I knew there was something so special about him!!!!

I was sharing this information with Theresa Baker of Cross Plains and she suggested that I write about it. It just so happens that I felt that bond with her the first time we met.

The first time I ever met my friends, Deborah Lowitzer of Cross Plains and Etta Arnsperger of Rising Star, it happened. The past few years have been joyful getting acquainted.

It seems to be a mutual bond and I've noticed that it never changes.

Now that I've learned what it means, I look forward to meeting someone new just to see if that instant click occurs. Isn't God GOOD????????

Commissioners Vote for Trades Day to Continue

Callahan County Commissioners voted to allow the Baird Chamber of Commerce to hold its annual Trades Day activities at the Courthouse parking lot slated for June 10-11.

The commissioners court approved the action Monday, February 14 at the monthly commissioners' court meeting held at the County Courthouse in Baird.

The Trades Day activities will take place north the Callahan County Appraisal District building, as well as at the north parking lot of the County Courthouse in Baird. On a motion by Commissioner Harold Hicks and second by Commissioner Bryan Farmer, commissioners voted 4-0 to approve the use of the

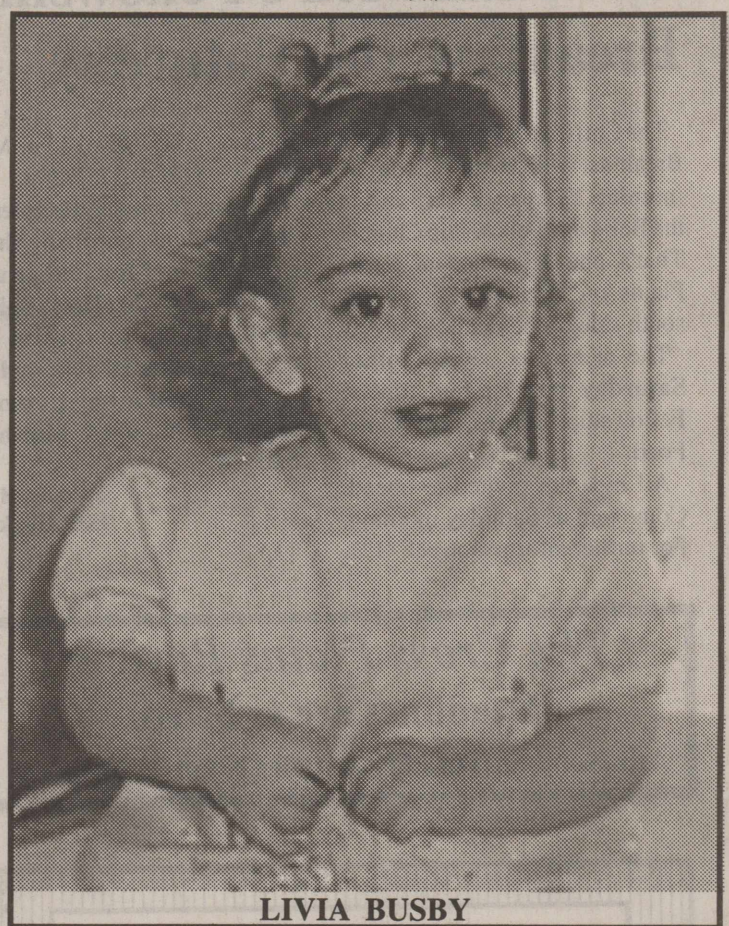
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NEW BUSINESS IN CROSS PLAINS—The Chamber of Commerce welcomed Mexico City Cafe to the community Monday, February 21, with a ribbon cutting. Mexico City Cafe is owned by David Mendieta. The restaurant features homemade Mexican food and American favorites. A daily special offering a choice of two will be available for \$4.50 and \$4.75 and includes iced tea or coffee. Breakfast will be served all day.

Mexico City Cafe will be open 8 a.m. - 9 p.m. 7 days per week and it is located at 124 S.W. 5th Street on West Highway 36 (the former Collum's Restaurant building). All major credit cards are accepted. Carry-outs are also available. Their telephone number is 254-725-7459.

Chamber members ate at Mexico City Cafe Monday and were impressed by their great food, service, cleanliness and reasonable prices. David and his wife, Betty, invite you to come by for a good meal and get acquainted. Pictured are James Nichols (from left), Susan Schaefer, Doris Liles, David Mendieta, Betty Mendieta, Amber Kleiber, and Julene Franke.



LIVIA BUSBY

Bake Sale to Benefit Miss Livia Busby

A Bake Sale will be held Saturday, February 26, for Livia Busby at 10 a.m. at the Staghorn Cafe downtown Cross Plains. If it is raining the bake sale will be moved to Village Market on Highway 36.

The proceeds will be used for a lengthy hospital stay. This will be the first of a series of surgeries to Livia's head and face at

Medical City in Dallas. The 14 month old has been diagnosed with rickets and cranial synostosis due to the XLH Rickets.

Livia is the daughter of Shawn Busby and Tiffany Guise and the granddaughter of Fred and Donna Smoot, who manage the 36 West Motel in Cross Plains.

Your support would be appreciated.

2004-2005 Lady Buff All-District Selections

District 10-A has released their girls basketball All-District Team and several of our Lady Buffs have been selected.

Kelsee Richards was chosen as the District Defensive Player of the Year, while Nicole Clark made First Team All-District. Jesse Norris and Stephanie Edington were both selected as Second Team All-District and Dayna Bennett made Honorable Mention All-District.

All five of those girls did a great job for us. Jesse was the lone

junior in our group selected and she did a tremendous job handling the ball for us, running the offense and hitting three pointers.

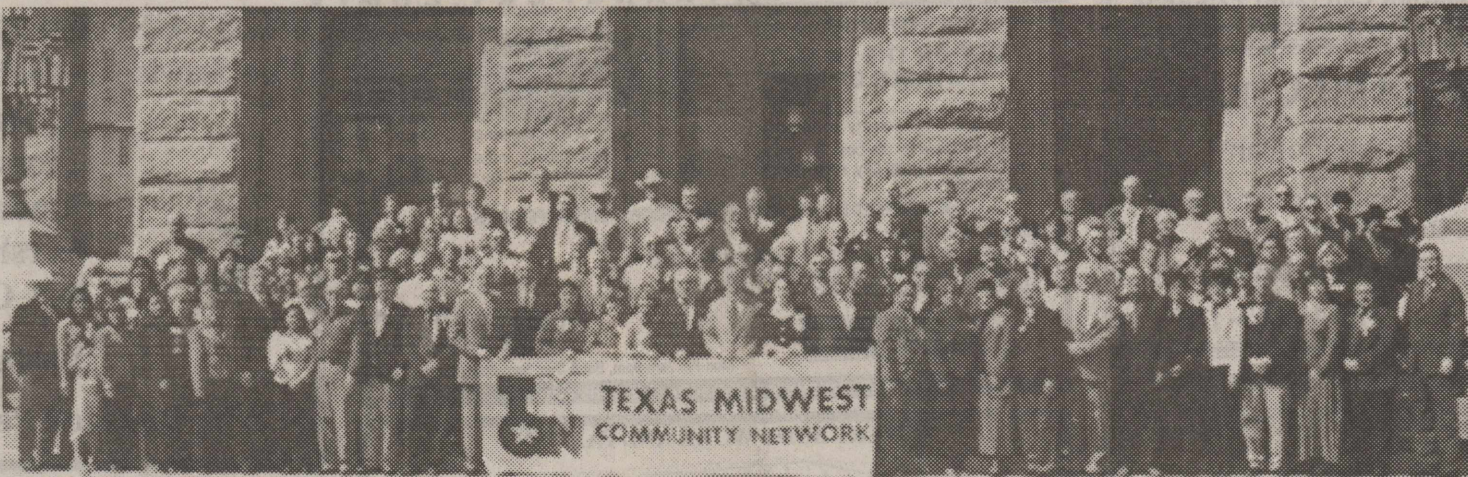
Kelsee, in addition to being a terrific defender, was our leading scorer and rebounder. Stephanie was a good three point shooter and usually, has the task of guarding the other team's best perimeter player.

Nicole was good three point shooter and someone who could always be counted on to hustle for

the ball and bring a lot of enthusiasm to our team. Dayna was good rebounder and, as district rolled around, became a good three point shooter for us.

All four seniors were terrific and I'll probably cry at their graduation more than their mothers will. Congratulations to these five girls and to all our team who helped them win these awards.

Submitted by
Barry Gill



TEXAS MIDWEST DELEGATION RECOGNIZED AT TEXAS CAPITOL—More than

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Texas Midwest Recognized at the Capital

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Texas Midwest Community Network sponsored its sixth biennial visit to the State Capitol during the Legislative Session. Resolutions were passed in the House and Senate commending the regional organization and recognizing the public spirited community leaders who work together to enhance economic development and quality of life in the region.

"Texas Midwest Day gives a

message to the 181 legislators that community leaders in rural Texas work together and merit their attention," says TMCN President Don Henry. "Our presence in Austin is especially significant this year with concerns about school finance and natural resource. We want urban lawmakers to be familiar with rural issues."

The large Texas Midwest delegation gathered on the Capitol steps for a photo session with State Representatives and Senators serving the region. The day included visits to Legislative offices to meet with staff and a presentation by state

agencies on rural issues and filed legislation.

The day concluded with a Texas Midwest Tailgate reception at which Governor Rick Perry made a special guest appearance.

State Senators for TMCN include District 24 Troy Fraser, District 28 Robert Duncan and District 30 Craig Estes. State Representatives include District 53 Harvey Hilderbran, District 59 Sid Miller, District 60 Jim Keefer, District 68 Rick Hardcastle, District 71 Bob Hunter, District 72 Scott Campbell and District 85 Pete Laney.

TMCN was founded in 1994 and currently has a membership of 43 communities: Abilene, Albany, Anson, Aspermont, Baird, Ballinger, Brady, Breckenridge, Bronte, Brownwood, Buffalo Gap, Cisco, Clyde, Coleman, Colorado City, Comanche, Cross Plains, DeLeon, Dublin, Early, Eastland, Eden, Goldthwaite, Gorman, Hamilton, Hamlin, Haskell, Jayton, Knox City, Merkel, Munday, Paint Rock, Ranger, Robert Lee, Roscoe, Rotan, Santa Anna, Snyder, Stamford, Sweetwater, Throckmorton, Tye and Winters.

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Congressman Neugebauer to make stop in Baird Saturday

Congressman Randy Neugebauer will be making a stop in Baird at the Whistle Stop Cafe on Saturday, February 26. Congressman Neugebauer will be discussing issues with residents of the Nineteenth District at a "Coffee with the Congressman."

The public is invited to attend. The coffee with Congressman Neugebauer will be held from 8:00 a.m. until 9:00 a.m. on February 26. The Lubbock congressman will also be in Albany, Breckenridge, Graham, Olney and Archer City on February 26.

Christian Men's Fellowship Breakfast this Saturday

The Christian Men's Fellowship Breakfast will be this Saturday morning, February 26, at 8 a.m. at the Believers Fellowship Church. That's one mile east of Cross Plains on Highway 36, on the south side of the road. The men meet every other Saturday morning for a time of Fellowship, Prayer, and Good Food. All men are invited to attend. Come join us Saturday morning. For further information call H.D. Hopkins (254) 725-6355 or Matt McGowen (254) 725-4599. "As you go, make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I commanded you; and lo, I am with you always, even to the end of the age." Matthew 28:19-20

Submitted by H.D. Hopkins

OBITUARIES

Garth Stewart

Garth Stewart, 84, of May, died Thursday, February 17, 2005, in a nursing center in Early. Funeral services were held at 2:00 p.m. Sunday, February 20, 2005, at First Baptist Church in May with Bill Campbell officiating. Burial was in the Lost Creek Cemetery in Brown County, Texas with Higginbotham Funeral Home of Rising Star in charge of arrangements. Garth was born on July 18, 1919 in May, Texas to Albert and Maude (Stubblefield) Stewart. He was a life-long resident of May. He served in the U.S. Army during World War II. Mr. Stewart was a farmer and a Baptist. Survivors include three brothers, Aubrey Stewart of Brownwood, Logan Stewart of May and Delton Stewart of San Antonio; a sister, Lillian Jackson of Cross Plains; numerous nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents and two sisters, Hilvia Angel and Martha Jo Riger.

Fred Frank Davis

Fred Frank Davis, age 96, of Cross Plains, passed away Wednesday, February 16, 2005, at the Brownwood Nursing and Rehab Center in Brownwood. Graveside services were held in the Cross Plains Cemetery at 11:00 a.m. Friday, February 18, 2005, with Ronnie White officiating. Fred was born December 15, 1908 in Menard, Texas to Frank Menard Davis and Ninnie (Sellers) Davis. He married Muriel Wiley in Mineral Wells, Texas on August 10, 1941. He was a veteran and worked most of his life in custom combining. Survivors include his wife, Muriel Davis of Cross Plains; sons, Bobby Davis of Cross Plains and Alan Davis of Rising Star; daughter, Francis Inglet of Brownwood; brother, Henry Davis of Menard; sister, Betty Weiss of Cross Plains; 12 grandchildren, 15 great-grandchildren and three great-great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his parents, two brothers and two sisters.

COURTHOUSE NEWS

COUNTY COURT

Roger Corn, Presiding

Misdemeanor Minutes

Jason Travis Knapp, motion to withdraw as surety granted. Amy Fish, motion to revoke probation granted. Isidra Serrano, motion to revoke probation granted.

Marriage Licenses

Rick Kembel-Hawkins and Emelyah Baruchyah Hawkins, both of Clyde. Cody Ray Leggett and Christina Ann Sherrill, both of Abilene.

Clayton Levi Burleson of Great Falls, MT and Amanda Michelle Schnabel of Abilene.

42nd DISTRICT COURT

John Weeks, presiding

Criminal Indictment

Billy Joe Moore, possession of a controlled substance.

Civil Filings

Annie Lou Wilson and Russell Lyn Wilson, divorce. Fidelity & Guaranty Insurance Co. vs. Marty Ross, worker's compensation.

LWM Changes Midweek Service

Living Water Ministries has changed their midweek service from Wednesday to Thursday, beginning at 7:00 p.m. The focus of the service will be prayer—for individuals, city, region and nation. Everyone is welcome. A nursery will be provided.

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Texas Fiddlers Concert March 5th in Cross Plains

The Cross Plains Area Housing Initiative is proud to announce the sponsoring of The Texas Fiddlers in concert on Saturday, March 5, at 6:30 p.m. The Texas Fiddlers are a group intent on continuing the West Texas fiddling tradition. They have performed for the Texas Governor Rick Perry, U.S. Congressman Charles Stenholm and 7th District Texas Representative Bob Hunter. The "Fiddlers" carry on the strong tradition of West Texas fiddling by performing traditional favorites such as "Old Joe Clark", "San Antonio Rose" and "Yellow Rose of Texas". The group has a local representative playing with them, Daley Anderson. Daley is the daughter of Andy and Kathy Anderson of Cross Plains. You can check out information about the group at their website www.texasfiddlers.com, they even have a sample of songs you can enjoy when you visit the site. The concert will be held at the Cross Plains High School Auditorium with tickets selling for \$5.00 each. Tickets can be purchased in advance at Texas Heritage Bank and Lawrence Farm and Ranch. Tickets will be available on the date of the concert, also. The event will benefit the Cross Plains Area Housing Initiative

which is an organization that has been active in the area for several years. This group sponsors the annual **Helping Hearts, Helping Hands** held each fall to enlist volunteers for aiding in winterizing and repairing homes of the elderly and low income residents. We hope to have a great turnout for this event. Coffee and dessert will be available for purchase during intermission times. If you have any questions, please call Roxie Thomas at Texas Heritage Bank (254) 725-6141 or Wilma Lawrence at Lawrence Farm and Ranch (254) 725-7216. We look forward to seeing you there. Submitted by Roxie Thomas

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COTTONWOOD NEWS

By WALLACE BENNETT



AN ACT OF KINDNESS—Shown above is a quilt Wilma Lawrence gave back to the Cottonwood Quilting Club some 20 years after she won it in a raffle. The Club had quilted it as a fund-raiser. In the photo, left to right, is Jan Marsh, Clara McInnis and Mary St. Peter. Mary is Raynell Duncan's daughter. (Photo courtesy of Wallace Bennett.)

Cottonwood Quilting Club Gets Back A Unique Quilt It Quilted Back In the 1980's

Wilma Lawrence, a good citizen of Cross Plains, and involved in several church and civic activities, won a raffle years ago. It was a quilt quilted back in 1980's, or thereabouts, by the Cottonwood Quilting Club and raffled-off as a fund-raiser.

Wilma kept the quilt in very good shape for many years and finally decided to give it back to the Cottonwood Quilting Club. The top had been put together by

Raynell Duncan, a member of the Cottonwood Quilting Club for over 40 years, and was quilted by the Club. The Cottonwood Club was excited to get the quilt back almost a generation after it was quilted.

The quilt is a State Bird/Flower quilt, made up of fifty blocks representing the individual states, surrounding the individual states, surrounding the individual states and distinguishable by the fact that each block is made of hand-painted pictures of each state's official bird and flower. In each

block also is stitched the date the state entered into the union and the sequential number of its entry.

The Club will make a decision about what to do with the quilt in the near future. In the meantime it will be used for display on holidays and special occasions.

(For personal or news items for this column, please contact Wallace Bennett at 254-725-7474. E-mail csb55@airmail.net. Snail Mail, 11093 CR 440, Cross Plains, Texas, 76443.)

RISING STAR NURSING CENTER

By LINDA MERRITT



RISING STAR NURSING CENTER VALENTINE QUEEN AND KING
Irene Starkey and Volley Joe Williams

Our Valentine Party was a great success. We are proud to announce our King and Queen of 2005—His majesty, King Williams, Volley Joe Williams and Her highness, Queen Starkey, Irene Starkey. Congratulations these two. May your reign here at Rising Star Nursing Center be a good one.

We all enjoyed some fine music during our party. Before the announcement and crowning, the band played "Let Me Call You Sweetheart". Band members were: Lewis Fortune, Dad Bludworth, Danny Johnson and Jenny Newcom. Valentine cookies made by the



LIVE ENTERTAINMENT—The Valentine Party had great music provided by Lewis Fortune (from left), Dad Bludworth, Danny Johnson, and Jenny Newcom.

residents and punch were served. Alma Mitchell is sure looking pretty with her new perm.

Volley Williams has a nice fresh hair cut. Many thanks to Lilly Dillard and Connie Kirkham.

Congratulations and Best Wishes to the Wildcats on their victory in basketball. Keep it up. Go Buffs!

Our appreciation to all these fine folks, to our special friend for the beautiful red tulip valentine bouquets from Tim's Floral, to Village Market for the pretty corsages, to Teri Damon for the delicious cup cakes and to May Extension Education Club for the cute red stuffed hearts.

A warm welcome to our new residents, Pearl and Buster Anderson.

Love Makes All Hearts Gentle!

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LIBRARY NOTES

Check It Out!

Behind the Books

Got a riddle for you. What comes up faster than our weather changes?

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MONDAY - Sausage, Baked Beans, Coleslaw, Milk
TUESDAY - Sloppy Joe on Bun, Potato Wedges, Pickle Spear, Pineapple, Milk
WEDNESDAY - Chicken & Dumplings, Green Beans, Peaches, Peanut Butter Cookie, Bread, Milk
THURSDAY - Beef-A-Roni, Pea Salad, Cauliflower, Vanilla Pudding, Bread, Milk
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Domino Night (42 & 84)
Begins at 5:00 p.m.

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QUIPS, CLIPS & COMMENTS

By KAY MOSLEY

Note: Apple Orchard Annie sez, "How about a cup of hot cider? Come on over!"

"Babes Are in Diapers! What's In a Name?"

When I was about two years old, my Aunt Opal came to our house and asked if I'd like to go home with her and gather up the eggs. I asked Mama and she said I could go spend the night. Aunt Opal and Uncle Obie lived in the country near Cottonwood.

We gathered the eggs and after awhile she cooked supper. Uncle Obie came home and we had supper. Afterwards I played for a little while. Uncle Obie was fun. He liked kids and kept them laughing. I had a lot of fun, but before long, a little after eight, it was time to go to bed.

The next morning, they took me home; bright and early and guess what? Well, while you're guessing let me tell you this. After that, for years I was afraid to go off and spend the night anywhere else and leave Mama and Daddy alone. Why? 'Cause when I got home there was a brand new brown-eyed fat (well, pudgy) baby girl who they had got when I wasn't there. Oh! She was real cute too, all smiles. I asked some questions and mama said her name was Belinda Ann Dennis, but that we were all gonna call her Ann.

I asked Mama where they got her and Mom said just as perky as you please, "Dr. Powell (Eli Powell) found her in a mud hole." They got all the mud off except her eyes and they are brown to this day. I had to think about these things for awhile, mull them over, sort 'em out, investigate and try to make some sense of it all.

See, Mama had always told me that the way they got me was, I fell out of that tree two days early as my birthday was December 23rd. So see, I fellout of a green tree and my eyes are still green to this day. A kind of olive green, and then sister arrived on January 6th, which was after the tree had all been disposed of. So, apparently the stork, since there was no tree to be found, just left her in a mud hole where Dr. Powell found her.

She was one smart and healthy baby, a real go getter. She was born at home in Cross Plains. After six months or so she wouldn't take her bottle any more. Finally Mama took the nipple off the bottle and Ann would drink the milk down to the very last bit.

Another of Ann's little tricks a few months down the road, was as follows. In those days, no one had refrigerators, we all had wooden ice boxes, so every few days you needed more ice. For this, the ice company gave you a large square of cardboard with a block of ice marked off; 1/2 marked off and a 1/4 and 1/8, etc. There was a dark arrow or pointed stick in the middle and you moved the dark stick 'til it pointed to the amount you wanted and hung it in the window the day the ice man was due. He would stop and bring it in. As soon as he knocked on the door, my sister would stand up in her baby bed and hang her arms out and pretend she was falling, to get him to pick her up every time. And it worked each time. We had a wonderful childhood.

They had some pretty ostentatious nicknames for us as babies. My Grandad Dennis called me 'Droopy Drawers' (I was skinny). They called my sister 'Two burnt holes in a bed blanket' because of her brown eyes.

Since our names were Kay and Ann, at home we were sometimes called (by other relatives as well) Katydid and Anniegal. As our four children were coming on up, when my oldest son Mark was baby, he made a kind of squeaking sound when he was drinking his bottle, so my sister called him Meese cause he squeaked like a mouse. There was a little cartoon or slogan that went, "I just love these little meeses to pieces." So here was Meese Mosley. Then when he was about four, Rex was born and we named him Rex Dean. Well, my sister soon turned Rex to Rats and so we had Meese and Rats Mosley. When the boys were seven and five, along came our first daughter, Melody Kay. Our neighbor in New Mexico called her "My Little Pumpkin", but the nickname we called her was the one that stayed and lasted. We called her Mel.

Three years later, our youngest daughter was born. We named her Allison Paige. Mostly we called Allison, Alli or Paige, but when our grandson Zachary was born, she was fourteen, and when he got to where he could talk, his version of Allison came out 'Hawn'. Pretty soon we were all calling her Hawn. When he was in the 5th or 6th grade he started calling her Allison again. Her friends at Lubbock in high school called Alli-Cat.

PIONEER NEWS

The quilting ladies had a very good time quilting on Christy Dallas' top and Lou Grider's "Dresden Plate" top. They put in a top for Cindy Payne. It is a blue "Pin Wheel". Some of the members who have been out due to sickness were back.

Glenda Phillip's sister-in-law, Wanda Cloud Nelson, had triple by-pass surgery this passed Friday in Abilene Regional Hospital. Glenda went up to be with Wanda's family during her surgery. Several of their friends

were there with them. Nancy and Thomas Wolf came from Midland. Everyone was really worried about Wanda. She had so much blockage. She is doing real well and will be able to go home in a few days. Glenda said it was really great to see Perry walking so well with a cane. He is able to be at his home now.

The community is glad to hear that Wanda Nelson is doing better. Get well soon, Wanda!

Glenda had lunch with Allen, Janice, and family Sunday. She

always enjoys their lunches. Howard usually drops in to see Glenda once or twice a week. She enjoys Howard coming, too.

Another of our community people has been in the hospital. JoVeda Watson has had knee surgery. We hope that she is doing well. You get well soon, JoVeda!

Words of Wisdom: Be strong! Be courageous! Do not be afraid of them! For the Lord your God will be with you. He will neither fail you nor forsake you. Deuteronomy 31:6.

BREAKTHRU

By Bob Pipes
Cross Plains Church of Christ
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"The mind is like a parachute. It works much better when it is open." I don't know who said that. I received it through the Internet. Unlike a lot of the "stuff" that is so received, this saying is true — and helpful if we will learn from it.

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2005 Wrangler Junior High State Rodeo Finals May 12-15 in Gonzales

The City of Gonzales and Texas High School Rodeo came to agreement on Saturday, January 29, in a State Director's Meeting in Gonzales to Gonzales to host the Wrangler Junior High School Rodeo State Finals.

The Finals will be held May 12 thru May 15. The top three contestants in each event will advance to the National Finals that will be held in Gallup, New Mexico July 5-9. There will be

\$50,000 worth of scholarships given out.

If this year's State Finals is a success the Texas High School Rodeo Association will adopt this division into their general membership next year. This rodeo is available to any 6th-8th grade child in the state of Texas.

For additional information contact George Gregory at (512) 237-5575 after 6 p.m. or thsr6@yahoo.com.

SCHOOL BOARD MINUTES

January 6, 2005

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

The following administrators and guests were also in attendance: Superintendent Jackie Tennison and guest, Duane Westerman.

Prayer was led by Donnie Dillard.

Motion was made by D. Dillard and seconded by Cook to approve the order authorizing issuance of the CPISD unlimited tax refunding bonds, Series 2005. For 7 Against 0

Motion was made by Pillans and seconded by Bennett to adjourn. For 7 Against 0

February 17, 2005

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

The following administrators were also in attendance: Superintendent Jackie Tennison, High School Principal Jimmie Cearley and Elementary Principal Margie Sowell.

Prayer was led by Jackie Tennison.

Minutes were approved as read. Motion was made by Pillans and seconded by V. Dillard to accept the AEIS Indicator Report for 2003-04. For 5 Against 0

Motion was made by V. Dillard and seconded by D. Dillard to join the Region 9 and 14 Food Purchasing Coop. For 5 Against 0

Motion was made by D. Dillard and seconded by Pillans to have a joint election with the City of Cross Plains. For 5 Against 0

Motion was made by Pillans and seconded by V. Dillard to call the school board election for May 7, 2005 at Cross Plains Community Center. Election Judge will be Esther Kerr. She will appoint her alternates. Early voting clerk will be Debbie Gosnell. Alternate site will be the City Hall in Cross Plains. For 6 Against 0

Motion was made by Pillans and seconded by V. Dillard to accept the resignation of Donnie Dillard as a school board member, as of May 1, 2005. For 5 Against 0

Motion was made by V. Dillard and seconded by Pillans to have a community meeting February 28, 2005 at 6:00 p.m. at C.P.I.S.D. High School Library about the drug testing program. For 5 Against 0

Motion was made by D. Dillard and seconded by Schaefer to amend the budget for 2003-04 carry over. For 5 Against 0

Motion was made by Schaefer and seconded by V. Dillard to advertise bids for refurbishing the auditorium seats. For 5 Against 0

Executive session in 8:40 p.m. out 12:40 a.m.

Motion was made by V. Dillard and seconded by Pillans to extend the athletic director's contract thru 2006-07. For 5 Against 0

Motion was made by V. Dillard and seconded by D. Dillard to extend elementary principal's contract through 2006-7 with raise. For 5 Against 0

Motion was made by V. Dillard and seconded by Schaefer to adjourn. For 5 Against 0

SCHOOL MENU

FEBRUARY 28 - MARCH 4

BREAKFAST

MONDAY - Breakfast Burrito, Assorted Juice

TUESDAY - Waffle, Sausage, Assorted Juice

WEDNESDAY - Poptart, Yogurt, Assorted Juice

THURSDAY - Cereal, Graham Crackers, Assorted Juice

FRIDAY - Breakfast Bread, Assorted Juice

LUNCH

MONDAY - Pizza, Salad, Corn, Pudding

TUESDAY - Oven-Fried Chicken, Scalloped Potatoes, Green Beans, Rolls, Honey

WEDNESDAY - Fiesta Salad (Chili Beans, Corn Chips, Cheese, Rice, Salad), Pineapples

THURSDAY - Fish or Hot Pocket, Blackeye Peas, Coleslaw, Cornbread, Mixed Fruit

FRIDAY - Beef/Chicken Patty on Bun, Lettuce-Tomato-Pickles, Fries, Rice Krispie Treat

YWCA Offers Spring Break Camp

Spring Break is right around the corner and if you're looking for a fun and exciting place to send your kids, the YWCA may be the answer. The YWCA will be offering YW-Camp to children March 7th-11th. YW-Camp is open to any child between the ages of 4-13. The camp is held at the YWCA, located at 1350 North 10th Street. Children may be dropped off as early as 7:30 a.m. and may be picked up as late as 6:00 p.m. The cost is \$12.00 per day, per child.

Children will be treated to a morning and afternoon snack, arts & crafts, and plenty of playtime with their peers. Children will also enjoy daily field trips including trips to the Abilene Zoo, the May Farm in Hawley, Mrs. Baird's Bakery, a movie, and Abilene State Park.

Advance registration is highly recommended. There are only 45 spots available for each YW-Camp. Parents may register their children at the YWCA between the hours of 8:30 a.m.-5:00 p.m., Monday-Friday. Children need not be enrolled in the YW-Care program to be eligible to attend.

The YWCA is a non-profit organization and has served the Abilene area for more than 80 years managing three district programs that include YW-Care, Y-Teens, and Breast Cancer Awareness.

MA AND PA

By James Nichols

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State Shrub - Crepe Myrtle
State Ship - The Battleship Texas
State Reptile - Texas Horned Lizard
State Plant - Prickly Pear Cactus
State Native Pepper - Chile Tepin
State Mammals
Small - Armadillo
Large - Longhorn
State Insect - Monarch Butterfly
State Grass - Sideoats Grama
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Valor Telecom Now Accepting Scholarship Applications

Irving, Texas —VALOR Telecom has announced that applications for the Community Leader Scholarship program, which recognizes area high school seniors for volunteerism and academic achievements, are now being accepted through March 15, 2005.

"Since our company's inception in 2000, contributing to the growth, prosperity and well-being in the communities we serve continues to be an integral part of our business," said West Texas Division Vice President Danny Ammons. "The annual Community Leader Scholarship program is a way for VALOR to invest in our youth and in the future of our communities."

This year, VALOR will award \$1,000 scholarships to as many as 12 students living in communities served by the company. Qualified applicants must be high school seniors who demonstrate strong community leadership through volunteerism and civic involvement. They must also plan to enroll in an accredited two or four-year college, university or vocational school, and must maintain a grade point average of 2.5 (on a 4.0 scale). Applications need to be postmarked by March 15, 2005. Scholarship recipients will be announced in April 2005.

"We encourage all qualified high school seniors in our West Texas communities to apply because the deadline is quickly approaching," said Ammons.

VALOR communities are home to many VALOR employees. In addition to the Community Leader Scholarships, VALOR created the Daughters and Sons Scholarship (DSS) program for high school seniors who are children of VALOR employees. The DSS recognizes employees' children who are pursuing high education, and who have contributed to the community through volunteerism, civic leadership and academically.

VALOR Telecom launched both scholarship programs in 2005. Last May, VALOR awarded \$17,000 in scholarships to high school seniors throughout its service areas in Texas, Arkansas, Oklahoma and New Mexico.

For more information or to obtain an application, please visit www.valortelecom.com and click on the Community Connection tab.

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Commissioners' Report

County Courthouse parking lot on June 10-11.

Other agenda items brought before the commissioners' court included:

—County Judge Roger Corn called the commissioners' court meeting to order at 9:35 a.m. Present at the meeting were Judge Corn and Commissioners Hicks, Farmer and Doris Grider. Also present at the meeting was County Treasurer Dianne Alexander, County Clerk Jeanie Bohannon, County Sheriff Eddie Curtis, and County Attorney Shane Deel.

—The commissioners' court approved the minutes of the January 24 commissioners' court meeting.

—There was no public comments received.

—Rolan Jones met with the commissioners' court in regards to a road in the Cottonwood community. Jones asked if County Road 244 was a county road. Commissioner Grider stated the road had not been maintained for the past 20 years. On a motion by Commissioner Grider and second by Commissioner Hicks, commissioners voted 4-0 that County Road 444 is not considered a county road.

—Texas Communications representatives Rick Hanson and Jay Evans met with the court to discuss the suggested invitation bid letter and tower bid specifications.

Commissioner Farmer made a motion to order a soil analysis, reword insurance requirements to cover builders' risk and approve the current specifications on the communications tower. Commissioner Hicks seconded the motion and the motion carried by a 4-0 vote.

—House Bill 1117 maps from Allison-Bass Law Firm were discussed by the commissioners' court. Commissioner Grider made a motion to contact Rhonda Vestal to work on the road maps with each individual commissioner making sure county road numbers are correct and match the maps. Commissioner Farmer seconded the motion and it carried by a 4-0 vote.

—Commissioner Grider made a motion to approve the deputization of Suzee Odom in the County Clerk's Office. Commissioner Hicks seconded the motion and it carried 4-0.

—Commissioner Farmer made a motion, with a second by Commissioner Hicks, to approve the payment of all approved bills. The motion carried by a 4-0 vote.

—Commissioner Grider made a motion to adjourn the commissioner's court meeting. Commissioner Farmer seconded the motion and it carried by a 4-0 vote.

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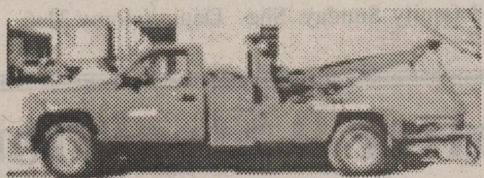
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Physical rest can become laziness.

'Ability to profit can become avarice and greed.

Interest in the possessions of others can become covetousness.

Enjoyment of food can become gluttony.

Self care can become selfishness.

Self respect can become conceit.

Communication can become

gossip.

Cautiousness can become unbelief.

Anger can become rage and bad temper.

Loving kindness can become overprotection.

Judgment can become criticism.

Conscientiousness can become perfectionism.

Generosity can become wastefulness.

Self-protection can become dishonesty.

Carefulness can become fear.

Let us seek God's balance in our life today to do what is profitable without being mastered, even by good things.

Neil Anderson

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FEBRUARY 29

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Benefit Dinner for Laura Hawkins to be Held Sunday

Dick and Laura Hawkins live in Comanche and are members of First United Methodist Church. Dick is retired and is a former parts Manager at Bayor Motor Co.

Laura has suffered from an undiagnosed illness for at least five months. Laura has lost approximately 45 pounds since the onset of this illness. She has been in and out of hospitals in Comanche and Abilene several times without satisfactory results. Laura will be admitted to the Harris Methodist Hospital in Stephenville as soon as they can schedule the next procedure.

There will be a benefit lunch (Fish Fry) at Cook's Fish Barn on Sunday, February 27th, from 11:00 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Cook's Fish Barn is located on Hwy 36 about 15 miles north of Comanche.

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Submitted by Curtis Lackey of Comanche

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words of encouragement were
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Scot H. Edington

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D.B. (Dude) Gunn

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GARDEN TIPS

By James Nichols

Eggplants and Peppers

Transplanting is a major step that can make or break your crop. Timing is everything—peppers and eggplants are heat loving plants.

1. Soil should be at least 60 degrees Fahrenheit and all danger of frost has past.
2. Check the days to maturity of these vegetables.
3. Plant on date that allows the plants to mature the earliest, and in the warmest days of summer.

Cross Plains Kiwanis Pancake Supper, Thursday, March 10

It is only two weeks away till the **Kiwanis Pancake Supper** — **Thursday night, March 10**. The price for so much good food — "all the pancakes and sausage you can eat" — is only \$4 per person. Where can you get a deal like that?! Of course is coming and eating, you get to help the Kiwanis Club with their many programs of help during the year. They are too numerous to list but they are primarily directed toward the youth. The **Key Club of Cross Plains High School**, sponsored by the Kiwanis Club, will be joining the Kiwanians in serving, helping to meet your every need.

The date again for the **Pancake Supper is Thursday night, March 10** (5-7 p.m.) The place is the **Cross Plains School Cafeteria**. You may go ahead and purchase your tickets from any Kiwanian. Check with David Estes at the bank, Susan Schaefer at her CPA office, Amanda (Waggoner) Hitt at the Post Office, or any one of the 22 Kiwanians.

The Kiwanis Club of Cross Plains thanks you in advance for your support. See you at the Pancake Supper!!

Submitted by
Bob Pipes

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Farmer's Market in Planning Stage

Building on the success of the flea market as a source of a small but steady income, the local library is expanding the market to include fresh produce from area gardeners.

Beginning in April and running through July, the farmer's market will operate two mornings a week in front of the local facility. A six foot space will rent for \$5.00 each morning. Vendors will need to supply their own tables and chairs.

The library will provide free

publicity for this venture. Gardeners are encouraged to plant extra knowing they will have an advertised outlet for their fresh vegetable and fruits.

The Farmer's Market will definitely be a win-win program for everybody—the gardeners, the buyers and the local library.

For more information about the market, please contact Arlene Stephenson (254) 725-4993 or Joan McCowen (254) 725-7478. Full details will be published closer to the opening date.

Combined Federal Campaign is Now Accepting Applications

The Abilene Area Combined Federal Campaign is accepting applications from local health and welfare organizations that wish to be included in the 2005 Fall Campaign. The Combined Federal Campaign is an annual solicitation of all military and civilian federal employees. Beginning this year the Abilene Area campaign solicitation covers federal offices in Brown,

Callahan, Coleman, Comanche, Eastland, Fisher, Haskell, Jones, Kent, Knox, Mitchell, Nolan, Runnels, Scurry, Shackelford, Stephens, Stonewall, Taylor and Throckmorton counties.

Eligibility requirements for inclusion are certification as a 501 (c) (3) tax-exempt organization, a copy of the organization's most recent IRS Form 990 and matching audit report from its local office, and demonstration of substantial presence in the area covered by the Abilene Area CFC. Applications will be accepted through April 15, 2005. Applications may be picked up at the United Way of Abilene office, 240 Cypress, or may be requested by writing: Abilene Area CFC, P.O. Box 92, Abilene, TX 79604-0092. Additional information may be obtained by contacting the United Way of Abilene at (325) 677-1841. Abilene's local United Way will serve as the Principal Combined Fund Organization (PCFO) for the 2005 campaign.

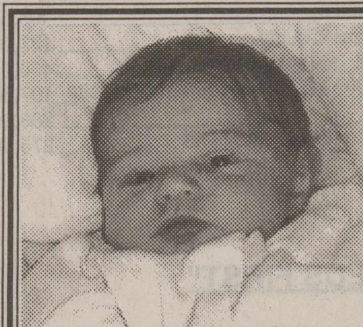
Applications must be received at P.O. Box 92, Abilene, TX 79604 or 240 Cypress, Abilene, TX 79601, no later than 5 p.m. April 15, 2005.

Callahan County DPS Report

Calls received by the Callahan County Department of Public Safety from February 13, 2005 through February 19, 2005 include:

- Cases Investigated**
- Warnings—120
 - Complaints—149
 - DWI—3
 - Public Intoxication—1
 - Driving While License Invalid—1
 - Failure to Identify—1
 - Tampering With Government Record—1
 - Fraud—1
 - Fugitive Arrest-Probation Violation—1
 - Open Container—1
 - Vehicle Accidents**
- There were four vehicle accidents investigated during this time span.

IT'S A BOY!



Logan Riley Ballard

Shannon Ballard and Jennifer Goble are proud to announce the birth of their son, **Logan Riley Ballard**. Logan was born January 21, 2005, at Baylor Medical Center in Grapevine, Texas. He weighed 8 pounds 7 ounces and was 21 inches long.

Maternal grandparents are Stanley and Norma Goble of Cross Plains. Paternal grandparents are Sherry and Dennis Vaughn of Abilene and Larry and April Ballard of Bossier City, Louisiana.

Maternal great-grandparents are Delilah Goble of Cross Plains and Edie Grumbles of San Saba. Paternal great-grandparents are Helen Ratiff of Snyder and Mary Lee and Houston Ballard also of Snyder.

Others celebrating his arrival was Uncle Clayton Goble of Cross Plains and Uncle Shane, Aunt Tiffany and Cousin Ashley Ballard of Wichita Falls.

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IT'S A GIRL!



Zoe Nicole Morgan


Zoe Nicole Morgan was born January 17, 2005 at 9:28 a.m. at Hendricks Medical Center in Abilene. She weighed 6 pounds 7 ounces and was 19 inches long.

Proud parents are Seth and Angel of Cross Plains.

Grandparents are Bob and Carolyn Morgan of Cross Plains and Frank and Rookmin Goomansingh of Florida.

Great-grandmother is Jewel Barnett of Cross Plains.

Zoe also has two brothers, Chase and Adorjan, and two sisters, Sarah Beth and Savanna.



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