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EDITOR'S NOTE: Connie Kirkham brought by this information she retrieved from the Internet for the pleasure of our readers. This will make you think about how precious time really is and gauge how well you may be spending it.

Don't you feel like we take time for granted and even use it as an excuse not to do what we should? I know I do.

Since I've had my grandchildren, I realize how fleeting time truly is. I don't think I appreciated the hours of "free time" I once had. I recall feeling lonely and empty then. Now it is a rush from one task to another.

Several of the examples I relate to personally—how about you??

"Time"

To realize the value of a sister—ask someone who doesn't have one.

To realize the value of ten years—ask a newly divorced couple.

To realize the value of four years—ask a graduate.

To realize the value of one year—ask a student who has failed a final exam.

To realize the value of one month—ask a mother who has given birth to a premature baby.

To realize the value of one week—ask an editor of a weekly newspaper.

To realize the value of one hour—ask the lovers who are waiting to meet.

To realize the value of one minute—ask a person who has missed the train, bus or plane.

To realize the value of one second—ask the person who has survived an accident.

To realize the value of one millisecond—ask the person who has won a silver medal in the Olympics.

Time waits for no one. Treasure every moment you have!!!!

Annual Garden Club Flower Show

Sunday, April 17, 2005

Open House Begins at 1:00 PM
At Cross Plains Senior Citizen's Center on Main Street

Theme
Treasures of Ancient Egypt
Everyone Is Welcome To Attend

In a way, she is still teaching

BY: DON TABOR
Publisher

Even though Mrs. Allen's death was unusual, her son, Mark, believes it would give her great satisfaction to know that she is still teaching, something she had done a lot of in her 37-year career.

Her legacy goes on as the experts and the residents of Callahan County learn more about the danger of deadly bee stings.

"I can just see her now up in front of a class" telling of her experience, he said.

Though we are all saddened by her death, he said he is "sure she was where she most wanted to be when she died."

Mrs. Johnnie Mae Allen, 83, of Baird died last Wednesday as the result of being stung over 300 times by bees. She was alone on the farm where she grew up about two miles west of Putnam.

Her son, Mark Allen of Baird,

said that, although she lived in Baird, she would drive her pickup almost daily out to the family farm, where she would read and enjoy being at the place she loved best.

Mark's sister, Heather Guthrie, said the family wants people to be aware of the danger in which bees pose. "We really want people to be warned because it's something that's fallen from our consciousness," she said.

Mark said there were a couple of bee hives inside the walls of the farm house on the home place.

Although they had been there for sometime, the bees have never bothered anyone.

He said he saw the bees when he was at the house a couple of days after the accident and that they still appeared docile.

He also said an expert is coming to the farm to take samples to determine the species of the bees and exterminate them.

"All the bees," he said.

EARLY VOTING Begins April 20th

Early voting for School Board Trustees and Cross Plains City Councilmen will begin Wednesday, April 20, and end Tuesday, May 3. You may cast your ballots for both elections at the Cross Plains City Hall during their regular work hours.

Candidates for the City Council positions of Gene Dillard, James Nichols and Edwin Weiss are:

1. Gene Dillard
2. James Nichols
3. Gary Fulcher
4. Robert "Bob" Harrell
5. Audrey Purvis

6. Edwin Weiss
 7. Scarlett Harrell Koettel.
- Candidates for the 1 year term of Donnie Dillard are:

1. George Matthews
2. Burlie Taylor

Candidates for the 3-year terms of Monty Richards and Bryan Bennett are:

1. Rickey Thomas
2. Dr. Scott Childress
3. Bryan Bennett
4. Tony Wyatt
5. Frankie W. Hyles
6. Bewel Neff
7. Kyle Foster.

Beta Sigma Phi Wants You!

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Send a letter explaining in **500 words or less** what you would like to do, and how we can help you to achieve your goal.

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Mail your request: c/o Wanda Merryman, Chair
Beta Sigma Phi Scholarship Committee
P.O. Box 491
Cross Plains, TX 76443

Scholarship to be awarded is in the amount of \$500, and may be given to one or divided among two or more depending on need.

Alice Roby, Retired Ranch Manager, to Speak April 19

Alice Roby, retired manager of the Weldon Edwards Ranch, will kick off the new Lecture Series for the Friends of the Cross Plains Library on Tuesday, April 19, 7:00 PM, at the Cross Plains Community Center. Mrs. Roby's daughter, Connie Kirkham, will assist her in the presentation, and we hope everyone will join us to hear the interesting stories Mrs. Roby has to tell. If those attending will make a \$5.00 donation to the Library, it will be very much appreciated, and we'll have some great homemade refreshments for you to enjoy while you visit with this interesting lady.

E.G. and Alice Roby moved to the Weldon Edwards Ranch at Spur, Texas, in 1972, and Mr. Roby was Ranch Manager there until his death in 1976. At that time, Mrs. Roby was asked to stay on and take over the job. She held that position for 15 years until her retirement in 1991. This 15,000-acre ranch had a very well equipped registered Hereford operation, and Mrs. Roby supervised the cow/calf operation, usually involving around 500 head of cows. In 1983, she attended a conference of the United Breeders Association in Lubbock and learned about artificial insemination. With her knowledge of this technology, she helped the



ALICE ROBY

ranch build a very successful breeding program.

During her tenure as ranch manager, Mrs. Roby was featured in many magazine and newspaper articles and two television segments: "Woman Watch" by Turner Broadcasting and "South Plains Profiles."

The Meet the Author programs have been very popular, and the Friends of the Cross Plains Library hope this Lecture Series will allow us to present to the community some very interesting and creative local people who don't write books.

Submitted by Ginny Hoskins

Leifton Hunter Scholarship Available to CPHS Seniors

The Leifton Hunter Scholarship Fund was established by Leonard Wilson in memory of Leifton Hunter, a 1998 graduate of Cross Plains High School. A graduating senior will be awarded a \$250.00 scholarship to assist with tuition, books, and/or fees to further his or her education.

Requirements:

1. The scholarship is open to

any graduating senior who has enrolled or plans to enroll in a college, university, vocational or technical school.

2. Please write a one-page essay about one of the following topics:

- A. Explain how a particular individual has significantly influenced your life.
- B. Fully describe this

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Ribbon Cutting for Cross Plains Equipment Rental Saturday, April 23rd

The Cross Plains Chamber of Commerce will be holding a ribbon cutting ceremony for Cross Plains Equipment Rental on Saturday, April 23, at 12 noon. The celebration will continue through 2 p.m.

Hot dogs and drinks will be

served. A day of hunting at the Driftwood Ranch will be drawn for, along with other prizes.

Stan and Melanie Jackson are the owners of the new business and they welcome everyone to the event. They are anxious to get acquainted and serve you.

Cross Plains Equipment Rental is located at 13237 Highway 36 East (2 miles east of the 4-way stop in Cross Plains), telephone number (254) 725-4141.

Love Fund Established for Former CP Resident

A Love Fund has been established at Texas Heritage Bank to assist with funeral expenses of Gladys M. Boren, a former resident of Cross Plains.

Mrs. Boren passed away April 6, following a lengthy illness. She had resided in Canterbury Villa in Baird for many years.

Her family is appreciative of your thoughtfulness and send God's blessings to all.

REVIVAL First Baptist Church on April 17-20 (Featuring Many Special Activities)

First Baptist Church of Cross Plains will be having a REVIVAL meeting beginning this Sunday, April 17th.

The featured speaker will be Jason Craft and the worship leader will be Billy Bob White.

All are invited to regular scheduled services for the week.

Revival Services

Sunday 11:00 A.M.
and 7:00 P.M.

Monday-Sr. Adult Night 7:00 P.M.

Special Events

Sunday- Young Adult Night

Hamburgers 5:30 P.M.

Monday-Sr. Adult Night

Tuesday-Children's Night

Hot Dogs 5:30 P.M.

Wednesday-Youth Night

Pizza 5:30 P.M.

Athletic Booster Meeting

Tuesday

April 19, 2005

6:30 p.m. in Gym Foyer

Final Preparation For Athletic Banquet

Bring Any Sports Pictures That You Might Have

Presents:
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Bay Kirkham Speaking Northlake Community Church

Bay Kirkham will be speaking at Northlake Community Church at Harbor Point on Lake Brownwood Sunday, April 17th. Worship services begin at 10:45 a.m. Former Cross Plains resident Charlie Fortenberry is the pastor of the church. Bay will be sharing concerning

his trip to Africa last summer and his upcoming trip to China on May 10th. He will graduate from Christ for the Nations on May 6th. He is the son of Cliff and Connie Kirkham of Cross Plains. Everyone is welcome to attend the services.

"MEN CAN" Meeting set for Saturday, April 16th, at Lake Brownwood—Be There

There will be an all-day men's gathering on Saturday, April 16, at Lake Brownwood. This event will not be about fishing or skiing or boating, but rather will focus on Jesus Christ and how men relate with Him as well as with each other. The event, called MEN CAN, will be an all day affair beginning at 9 in the morning and evening at 9 in the evening.

One of the organizers of the rally, Dallas Huston, said he and other believed that the time was right for something like this. "Men haven't been given the opportunity to gather together like this in a long time in this

area," he said. "We are given plenty of opportunities to go to ballgames, or to go fishing, or hunting, but very few chances to do something like this."

The event is free to all men with lunch and supper provided. Each session will be different and will feature two messages for men, two testimonies, as well as special music. The times are from 9 to 11 a.m., 2 to 4 p.m. and 7 to 9 p.m. The final session will feature a concert by the gospel quartet, 4 by Grace. All sessions will take place in the auditorium of the Heart of Texas Baptist Camp and Conference Center.

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CHURCH DIRECTORY

CORNERSTONE BIBLE CHURCH

832 Ave. E Cross Plains, TX

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 Sunday Morning Bible Study.....10:00AM
 Morning Worship.....11:00AM
 Evening Worship.....6:00PM
 Wednesday Night Bible Study.....7:00PM

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 Sunday Evening Worship.....6:00 P.M.

Bill Armstrong - Pastor

OBITUARIES

Opal Marie Harris Gray

Former longtime local resident, Opal Gray, passed away at Mystic Park Rehabilitation Center in San Antonio, Texas on April 6, 2005.

Funeral services were held Saturday, April 9, 2005, at the Higginbotham Funeral Home in Cross Plains. Interment was in the Burkett Cemetery under the direction of Higginbotham Funeral Home.

Opal as born May 10, 1914 to Emmett Harris, Jr. and Maggie Colvin Harris in Burkett, Texas. Her grandfather and grandmother, Robert Emmett, Sr. and Tennessee Brown were some of the first settlers in the Burkett area. She married Oscar William Gray December 20, 1933, and they lived in and near the Cross Plains area until she moved to San Antonio in 1999 to live with her son, Ronald Gray.

Opal will be remembered as a wonderful, friendly waitress at the Odom's Cafe during the 1950, 60 and 70's. She loved visiting with all the people of Cross Plains and the travelers. After retirement, she enjoyed playing with her dogs, quilting, crocheting, reading and going to Ladies Class at Cross Plains

Church of Christ where she was a faithful member for many years.

Preceding her in death are her husband of 54 years, Oscar William Gray, grandson-in-law, David Clifford LeCroy, great-grandson, Nicholas David LeCroy, and siblings, Quinn Harris, Monnie Garrett and Vernon Harris.

She is survived by her son, Ronald William Gray, and wife, Lynda, of San Antonio; her daughter, Sheila Gay Gray Teeters, and husband, Jerl of Eastland; four granddaughters, Cheri Lynn Gray Dullnig and husband, Darrell, of San Antonio, Dana Kay Teeters Kingery and husband, Jack, of Brownwood, Shelly Denan Gray LeCroy Leinweber and husband, Kurt, of San Antonio, Susan Marie Gray Sanchez and husband, Daniel, of Sierra Vista, Arizona; and great-grandchildren, Kasey Kingery and Kurtis Kingery of Austin, Cory, Cameron and Chad Dullnig, Zachary Luke and Delaney LeCroy, all of San Antonio, and Andrea and Jessica Sanchez of Sierra Vista, Arizona.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests that donations be made to the Cross Plains EMS or to the Cross Plains Church of Christ building fund.

Gladys M. Boren

Gladys M. Boren, age 78, of Baird, and formerly of Cross Plains, passed away Wednesday, April 6, 2005, in Abilene Regional Medical Center. Graveside services were held at 2:00 p.m. Friday, April 8, 2005, in the Sabanno Cemetery in Eastland County with Edward Walters officiating.

Gladys was born in Greenwood, Texas on February 12, 1927 to John H. and Fannie Lee (Worrell) Lay. She married Timothy Boren

on September 20, 1946 in Greenwood, Texas. She was a homemaker and a member of the Baptist Church.

Survivors include her daughter, Joyce Wetsel of Iowa; son Timothy Leon Boren, and wife, Rena, of Iowa; two grandchildren, May Benton and husband, Larry, of Iowa; and Jason Boren of Iowa; and 4 great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Timothy, on August 12, 1995.

William Warren Weaver

William Warren Weaver, 77, peacefully passed into the loving arms of his Lord with his wife by his side on April 4, 2005, following a six-month battle with cancer.

Although Warren was born in Lavaca, Arkansas on October 20, 1927 and raised in Cottonwood he has called Missouri City, Texas home for several decades.

He was employed at W.K.M. for 35 years while advancing from machinist to supervisor. Warren was a Deacon of the Baptist Church for the past 39 years following ordination on February 27, 1966, and a long-time member of Masonic Lodge #1290. Warren served the Lord as a member of Heritage Baptist

Church in Missouri City. He was extremely proud of being past president and active member of Silverstone Senior Citizen Choir.

Warren is preceded in death by his first wife, Laura Maupin Weaver, and two brothers, Floyd Weaver and Carl Weaver.

He is survived by his loving wife of 35 years, Betty Duncan Weaver; four children, Leroy Weaver, William W. Weaver, Jr., Sue Ellen Brady and Paul Allen Weaver; four step children, Bill Duncan, Charlotte Little, Sandra Badeaux, and Charles Duncan; 15 grandchildren; 7 great-grandchildren; siblings, Herman Weaver, Shirley Byrd, Mary Weaver, Nadine Nickerson, Billie Kelly, Wanda Hammel and numerous nieces and nephews.

Johnsie Mae Allen

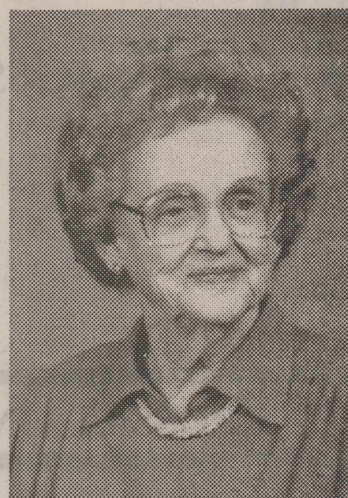
Johnsie Mae Allen, 83, of Baird died April 6, 2005 in an Abilene hospital. Funeral services were held Saturday, April 8, 2005 at the First United Methodist Church. Pastor Larry Gaumont officiated directed by Parker Funeral Home. Burial followed at the Ross Cemetery Annex.

Johnsie was born in Belle Plaine on July 13, 1921. She graduated from Baird High School in 1937. She started her teaching career in Baird in 1941 after receiving her B.A. degree from Abilene Christian College. She did graduate work at ENMU, and in 1951 she received her M.A. degree from Sul Ross State University. Through the years she has taught 2nd, 3rd, 4th and 6th grades and high school at all levels. She had also directed one-act-plays and many ULL activities including debate speaking events, spelling, science, and number sense. She had also been a class sponsor of the Beta Club. She had taught thirty-seven years with

eighteen of these being in Baird where she retired on May 31, 1988. She had taught in Andrews; Laredo; Merkel; Marathon; Kerrville; Ozona; Grenville, MS; Sidney, NB and Roswell, NM. Mrs. Allen was active in Texas State Teachers Association, National Teachers of English, Business and Professional Women, American Association of University Women and Delta Kappa Gamma.

She had been a resident of Baird since 1971. She belonged to the First United Methodist Church. She married William C. Allen in Snyder on March 28, 1944. He preceded her in death August 28, 1986.

She is survived by 2 daughters Heather Guthrie of Gainesville and Kim Kenny of Irving. One son Mark Allen of Baird, 1 brother Mike Hughes of Gorman, and 1 sister Fonda Brown of Baird. 5 great-grandchildren: Justin and Jeremy Corley, Sean and Liam Guthrie and Maggie Allen. 1 great granddaughter Serenity Corley and a number of nieces and nephews.



Joyce Frances Geye

Joyce Frances Geye, 86, of Rising Star, Texas died Saturday, April 9, 2005 in Brownwood. Joyce was born on April 27, 1918 at Comanche, Texas third child and only daughter of Logan Riley and Jenny Frances (Strickland) Williams, and the step-daughter of Addie (Welch) Williams. She graduated from Beattie High School and attended Howard Payne College in Brownwood before marrying Horace Leldon Geye on August 31, 1940 in Lampasas, Texas. They lived in Bisbee, Arizona where he worked in the copper mines before joining the Navy during World War II. Joyce was a woman of faith who felt

assurance she would be going to a better life after death.

She had a quick wit, a vibrant laughter, and was devoted to family and friends. She taught 2nd grade for 23 years in Rising Star and was active with the First Baptist Church and the Saturday Club.

Joyce is survived by 2 sons, Terry Geye and his wife, Gretchen of Rising Star, Texas; Tony Mack Geye and his wife, Susan of Ft. Worth, Texas; 2 daughters, Maria Frances Cook and her husband, Bob of Austin, Texas; Pamela Ruth Hicks and her husband, Taylor of Houston, Texas; 9 grandchildren; 15 great grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her parents; husband, Horace Leldon Geye; 2 older brothers, Ardis and George Williams; an infant daughter, Judith Carol Geye; granddaughter, Jennifer Leigh Hicks; daughter-in-law, Sharon Donham Geye; step-mother, Addie Welch Williams.

Funeral Services will be held at 10:30AM, Monday, April 11, 2005 at First Baptist Church with Terry Simmons officiating. Burial will be in the Rising Star Cemetery in Rising Star, Texas with Higginbotham Funeral Home of Rising Star in Charge.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be sent to The First Baptist Church in Rising Star, Texas.

Michael Barrett

Michael Barrett, age 89, of Brownwood passed away Wednesday, April 5, 2005, in the Brownwood Regional Medical Center in Brownwood. Graveside services were held at 10:30 a.m. Sunday, April 10, 2005, in the Cottonwood Cemetery in Callahan County, Texas with Joey Wilburn officiating.

Michael was born in Idaho on May 10, 1915 to Ambrose Michael Barrett, Sr. and Mandy

Johnson Barrett. He married Lola Webb on February 14, 1968 in Santa Ana, California.

He is survived by his wife, Lola Barrett of Brownwood; two sons, Michael Barrett III of Idaho and Randy Barrett of Brownwood; three daughters, Marie Burrack of Florida, Charlene Leatherman of Oregon and Dycie Ramey of Missouri; 11 grandchildren, 12 great-grandchildren and 3 great-great-grandchildren.

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 11:00 a.m. & 6:00 pm Worship
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COTTONWOOD NEWS

By WALLACE BENNETT

Cottonwood Fire Control Meetings

Cottonwood's fire fighters will meet Tuesday, April 19 for a training session at the fire hall, 7:00 p.m. This is an important meeting for all members of the unit.

The Board of Directors will meet on Thursday, April 21 for a business meeting at Faye Dillingham's house.

Other Dates To Remember

April 23rd is cleanup day at the Cottonwood Community Center. Please show up with your rake, shovel, hoe, and broom. Put some air in the wheelbarrow tire and be with us to make the old School House shine.

April 30th is clean up day for the Cemetery. This is also an important day. Don't be shy or absent. We need you on this day also, to clean up and spruce up our front door area.

Cottonwood Historical Association Pegs Local Writer For Main Speaker

Speaking at the 2005 Historical Association Annual Meeting will be Dr. Lou Rodenberger. Lou is a local lady, having been raised, mainly, in these parts, and went forth to conquer the literary world. She will bring a great amount of local color and appear as an expert witness in the defense and promotion of Texas women writers. We are looking forward very much for her speech. The date is Saturday, May 7th.

Don't be left out if you think you are an outsider, because you are not! This meeting is for everyone whoever had an interest in the life and times of Cottonwood.

People are coming from all over the United States of America, from Myrtle Creek, Oregon to San Antonio, Texas and from Plano to Abilene, and also from places too far away and too many to mention.

I talked to Grady Ramey, of San Antonio today. He and Dorothy are coming, as well as other folks from the Thompson clan. By the way, Leo Thompson is a former teacher at Cottonwood and was a professor of Dr. Lou Rodenberger when she was in the 4th grade. And, our speaker for this occasion is Leo's niece.

So don't even think about avoiding this Historical Association meeting. You have a stake in the life and times of Cottonwood if you have ever lived in Cottonwood and known anyone who did. Now this is the deal, you show up, bring a covered dish and expect to eat and have a good time. Meat and bread, drinks and ice, etc; will be provided by the association.

(To place personal or news items for this column, please contact Wallace Bennett at 254-725-7474. E-mail: csb5@airmail.net. Snail Mail: 11093 CR 440, Cross Plains, Texas, 76443.)

GARDEN TIPS

By JAMES NICHOLS

If you got started on time this year you should be eating green onions and radishes from your garden. Spinach, lettuce and the rest of the greens should be ready shortly. The opportunity to make a difference in your life is as simple as planting a garden.

Perennial plant of the year, The Linton Rose (Hellebores x Nybridus) has been making quite a splash recently. There are many

new varieties available, and more gardeners are discovering the delight of this early-bloomer, hardy perennial. Hellebores are low-growing (1 to 2 feet tall) shade loving evergreen that are hardy in zones 4-9. They are often the first perennial to bloom in the garden. Sometimes white snow is still on the ground. Color ranges from white, to pink, to red, lasting up to two months.

SENIOR CITIZENS MENU

APRIL 18 - 22

MONDAY - Beef-A-Roni, Broccoli Normandy, Pea Salad, Chocolate Cake, Bread, Milk

TUESDAY - Smothered Chicken, Mashed Potatoes, Green Beans, Orange Gelatin, Bread, Milk

WEDNESDAY - Sausage, Sauerkraut, Blackeyed Peas, Copper Penny Salad, Chocolate Chip Cookie, Bread, Milk

THURSDAY - Sloppy Joe on Bun, Potato Wedges, Pickle Spear, Mixed Fruit, Cookie, Milk

FRIDAY - Chicken & Dumplings, Tossed Salad, Mixed Vegetables, Banana Pudding w/ Cookie, Bread, Milk

2nd & 4th Tuesdays Domino Night (42 & 84) Begins at 5:00 p.m.

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BREAKTHRU

By Bob Pipes
Cross Plains Church of Christ
433 N. Main
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The Bible class teacher had put up with the "class clown," the general disrupter, as much as he could. This student had been in the principal's office at public school so many times that he should have been the assistant principal, and the teacher knew it! As the teacher grabbed the boy by the shoulders and shook him, the Bible class teacher said, "I believe the devil has hold of you, Willie!" "Yes," agreed the boy, his teeth chattering, "I think so too!"

Satan would like to get hold of us all. But he very seldom does as obviously as the teacher had hold of the student. Peter says, "Be sober and vigilant because your enemy, the devil, prowls about like a roaring lion, looking for someone to devour" (I Peter 5:8). Paul says that he "transforms himself into an angel of light" (II Cor. 11:14). And he even incorporates helpers who masquerade as ones of righteousness — but who are, in reality, no more righteous than their leader, Satan, verse 15. Let us indeed be careful of who — and what — has hold of us...

We encourage you to share in periods of life-changing Bible study and worship with us. We really do care about you, too!

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

We had a short crowd at quilting on Tuesday, but we got a lot of work done. We got Cindy Payne's "Pin Wheel" out of the frame. It is so beautiful. Hopefully she will let us put it in the Quilt Show come November. We are working on Olena's "Log Cabin" and Earlene put an old-fashioned "Flower Garden" in the frame. Laverne Hutton was not at quilting because Cowan had knee surgery in Dallas. Some of our members were out because of illness. I hope everyone is feeling better by now!

Jim Chesshir came to the Chesshir farm last weekend and plowed again. His step-son mowed for Charlene again and has her place looking nice.

Thursday night was a fine game night. There were seven there. Someone had to set out while others played. They missed some of their regular players. Hope they will be there next time—

about the 21st of April. Earlene's family is doing well. Her granddaughter, DeeAnn Chisholm came through her surgery at Scott and White in good shape. Jessica stayed some with her when she came home and one night with little Matthew when Jon and Leslie went to her folks.

The cutting crew has been on Earlene's trees for several days. Guess they are doing good job, the trees look butchered!

The countryside looks so pretty. The wildflowers are really blooming. If gas wasn't so high, I would tell you to make a trip from Cross Plains to Rising Star and on south.

See you all next time!

Word of Wisdom: Some people are making such thorough preparation for a rainy day that they aren't enjoying today's sunshine.

"The Best Laid Plans of Mice and Men"

I'm wondering—has anyone come up with an antidote? Lately, some of my plans have unfortunately gone awry. So to make a long story short, I guess I'm looking for a scapegoat—NOT Escaped Goat, or perhaps an anti-dote. A Scapegoat is someone you are looking to blame your problems on.

So—in my estimation, if you don't have a scape goat then you sure better come with an antidote to reverse the problems until they are all completely obliterated, not there, gone south, vanished, disappeared or (for the lack of a better word) gone KAPUT!

I very carefully made my plans, going over them time after time trying to eliminate any mistakes or unseen pitfalls. I worked it all out on paper—listed it. Everything checked out A—OK. Just hours before we were to put the plan into motion, it all fell through.

On several different occasions,

when spur of the moment decisions had to be made and there was not time for planning, everything just clicked in real smoothly and it all worked out just like clockwork.

As for the best laid plans of mice and men; I'm not sure just when or how much planning the mice put forth. However, in some instances they seem to reap a lot better results in some instances than I.

The other day this thought came to me—perhaps spending so much time going over and over the plans, trying to tie up loose ends, puts the whole plan in jeopardy. By spending more time on other aspects of the program would keep you from dwelling so much on the plans. Per Se: a much simpler plan gives more working time to carry out the plan.

On an upcoming project I'm thinking of going back to square one. Perhaps by starting over I can pick up some of the latter plans which were not working out.

LIBRARY NEWS



Behind the Books

Philosophy might be considered a pretty heavy and deep topic for a simple multi-colored Bookworm. But, hey, I really do have a favorite quote that fits all my friends who volunteer at the Library.

So—"I am only one, but still I am one. I cannot do everything, but still I can do something. And because I cannot do everything, I will not refuse to do the something that I can do." Awesome, huh?

To think that back in the 1860's, Edward Everett Hale could so precisely nail the essence of volunteerism. My thank you goes out to all those who come through our doors to do their "something".

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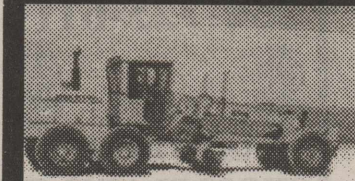
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Leo Thompson to Celebrate 94th Birthday Sunday

Leo Thompson will be honored with a birthday celebration on Sunday, April 17, at the Family Life Center at First Baptist Church on Main Street hosted by Jon and Bonnie Rogers.

Friends and family are cordially invited to attend. In lieu of a gift, please write down your favorite memory about Leo and bring it to be placed in a memory book.

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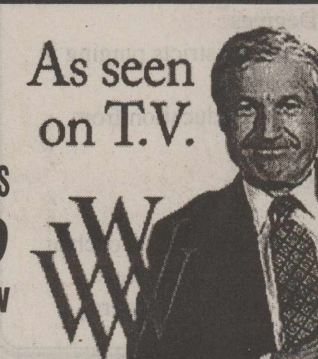
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QUIPS, CLIPS & COMMENTS

By KAY MOSLEY

C.P. GARDEN CLUB NEWS

By JOYCE ODOM

The Cross Plains Garden Club met April 8 at 2 p.m. at the American Legion Building for their regular monthly meeting.

Eva Fleming, president, called the meeting to order. Minutes of the March meeting were read by Joyce Odom.

Julene Franke, financial secretary, reported that she had not heard from the E.D.C. about the matching grant to paint the American Legion Building as yet.

Barbara Powell, chairman of the Bird Habitat, reported she had talked with Debbie Gosnell about placing a gazebo birdhouse at the City Park and permission was granted. She then contacted Bob and Delores Carter about purchasing one from them. The club voted to have him build one for two bird families and erect it close to the City Park

Gazebo. This is fulfilling one of our projects of city improvements, and the Bird Habitat Sanctuary.

The Flower Show schedules were passed out and discussed by Julene and Eva. The title for this year's show is "Treasures of Ancient Egypt" and is to be April 17-19 at the Cross Plains Senior Citizens' Center on Main Street.

The door prize was conducted by Eva and was won by Barbara Powell, who will be responsible next time. It was a "Laura Bush Petunia" that Eva planted from seeds.

The meeting adjourned to reconvene May 13th for a "Mystery Trip".

Members present were: Eva Fleming, Julene Franke, Sandy Lusk, Barbara Powell, Betty Beggs and Joyce Odom.

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I James Nichols would like to ask you for your support and vote for another term as city councilman.

In the last twelve years the street, water and sewer systems have been improved.

I believe with the ongoing clean up project, the city will take on a new cleaner look that will attract new business and people. I will continue to strive to do the most good for the most people. Thank You.

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C.P. STUDENT REVIEW

Pre-Kindergarten and Kindergarten Registration April 29

Parents are asked to register their children who will enter Pre-Kindergarten next fall. Cross Plains Elementary offers Pre-Kindergarten to all children who will be four years of age on or before September 1, 2005. Pre-Kindergarten will be offered if a sufficient number of four-year olds register for the program. Determination of whether Pre-K will be a 1/2 day program or a longer program will be based upon enrollment numbers.

Students who will be five years of age on or before September 1, 2005 are eligible for Kindergarten. Kindergarten is a full day program. Kindergarten is a basic part of the Cross Plains School system and the service is available to all students. If your child is currently enrolled in Pre-K at Cross Plains Elementary, you will not have to go through the screening process. If your child has not been enrolled in Pre-K, and will be attending Kindergarten in the fall, please register for screening.

Early childhood screening will be conducted the same time as regular Pre-K and Kindergarten screening. The early childhood program is a program to help those children ages 3-6 who show to be developmentally delayed or handicapped in any way.

Early Childhood, Pre-K and Kindergarten screening will be conducted Friday, April 29, 2005 at Cross Plains Elementary School. Please call the Elementary Principal's Office at 725-6123 to make an appointment for your child. The screening will take about sixty minutes. Each student's hearing, vision, speech, motor skills, language ability, and developmental growth will be evaluated at this time. Parents will be given a report on their

child's progress at the time of the screening.

Parents are reminded that, in order to enter school in Texas, the student must have a state approved birth certificate and a current immunization record.

Immunization requirements:
Hepatitis B - 3 doses by age 4
DTap - 4 doses with one on after, 4th birthday

Haemophilus Influenza Type B-1 dose on/after 15 mos., unless a series is completed @ 12 mos.

Polio - 3+ doses with on or after 4th birthday

Measles - 2 doses on/after 1st birthday

Rubella - 1 dose on/after 1st birthday

Mumps - 1 dose on/after 1st birthday

Vaccelia - 1 dose on/after 1st birthday

Please bring the birth certificate, immunization record and social security number for the child at the time of registering.

Estimado Padre o Guardian:
 El Distrito Escolar Independiente de Cross Plains ofrecera un programas de pre-kindergarten si hay quince ninos que cualifiquen para tal servicio. Para poder ser elegible para este programa, un estudiante debe tener al meno cuatro anos de edad y satisfacer por lo menos uno de los siguientes requisitos:

- incapacidad de hablar y entender ingles
- desventajas educacionales
- sin hogar.

Si usted cree que su nino(a) que usted conozca satisface uno o mas de estos requisitos, por favor se comunice con la escuela.

Sinceramente,
 Margie Sowell
 Director de la Escuela

Senior pole vaulter Thomas Dimitri soared to a height of 15-0 in the pole vault at the Roby Invitational Track Meet to set a personal and school record. His effort was good enough for second place.

Senior Kelsee Richards placed second in the shot and the discus. In the shot put, Kelsee had a mark of 38' 3". Richards set a PR in the discus with a throw of 117' 9 1/2" to finish second.

Buffaloes Run at District Meet

The Cross Plains Buffaloes competed at the 12-A District Meet in Glen Rose this past Thursday. Several athletes advanced to the Area Meet this Friday in Wylie.

On the girls team, Kelsee Richards won the shot and discus. She had a mark of 108'-1 1/2" in the discus and a throw of 38'-10" in the shot. The sprint relay (Mykea Douglass, Naomi Isbell, Macayla Cook, Kelsee Richards) placed 5th with a time of 57.30. The 4 x 200 relay placed 6th with a time of 2:03.13. The girls scored a total of 26 points to finish 8th.

In the boys division, the sprint relay (Chance Watkins, River Dillard, Thomas Estes, Thomas Dimitri) placed 6th with a time of 46.92. The 4 x 200 relay (Roy

Smith, Russell Thomas, River Dillard, Thomas Dimitri) finished 3rd with a time of 1:37.00. The 4 x 400 relay (same members as 4 x 200) placed 3rd with a time of 3:40.93. Roy Smith placed 5th in the 200 meters with a time of 24.23. He also placed 3rd in the high jump going 5'8". Thomas Dimitri finished 1st in the pole vault with a height of 14'6". River Dillard finished 2nd the 400 meters with a time of 54.12. River also placed 4th in the high jump 5'8". Chance Watkins placed 6th in the high jump going 5'6". Jacob Melton placed 2nd in the shot with a throw of 42' 9 1/4". He also placed 2nd in the discus with a throw of 118'-7".

William Meador placed 4th in the shot with a distance of 35-3 1/2. He also place 2nd in the discus with a throw of 107-4 1/2. Fili Vasquez placed 4th in the triple jump with a distance of 35-0.

Cody Baker finished 5th in the long jump with an effort of 16-11 3/4. Bake won the 100 meter dash with a time of 11.77.

The boys scored a total of 77 points to finish in 5th place.

Key Club to Sponsor St. Jude Hospital Walk-A-Thon April 22

April 22, is the date for the second Annual St. Jude Children's Research Hospital Walk-A-Thon, sponsored by the Cross Plains High School Key Club. Nearly \$400 was raised last year and it is hoped that even more will be raised for the good work done at St. Jude's.

St. Jude Children's Research Hospital in Memphis, TN, is internationally recognized for its pioneering work in finding cures for cancer, and saving children's lives with cancer and other catastrophic diseases. The funds from events like the Walk-A-Thon make that research possible.

This year's Walk-A-Thon will be on Friday, April 22, 1:30-2:30 p.m., at the high school track/football field. Key Club members are enlisting walkers and those who will pledge money to the walkers, and those who are walking are enlisting people to pledge money for them to walk.

Will you get involved one way or the other?

For further information, please contact Charlene Fleming, CPHS Faculty Advisor for the Key Club, or Bob Pipes, Kiwanis Advisor for the Key Club.

Submitted by Bob Pipes

Golf Teams Compete in District

Here are the individual scores from the district meet in Glen Rose:

Girls: 4/4/05 4/11/05
 Karen Ross 126 117
 Jeanie Lewis 147 158
 Starla Schaefer 129

Boys:
 Chance Watkins 83 120
 J.D. Cook 84 107
 Dalton Carpenter 97 112
 Austin Dunaway 124 120
 Jonathan Hopkins 147 157
 Chris McBride 120

The boys total of 841 placed them 5th overall.

Junior Varsity Boys Track Results Told

4 X 100 Relay: Joey Westerman, Fili Vasquez, Cody Hyles, Cody Baker; **4th**, 50.97.

4 X 200 Relay: Fili Vasquez, Travis Golson, Ricky Daniels, Cody Baker; **2nd**, 1:45.66.

4 X 400 Relay: Travis Golson, Ricky Daniels, Chris McBride, Fili Vasquez; **3rd**, 4:19.80.

110 Hurdles: Ricky Daniels, **2nd**, 19.34.

100 Meters: Cody Baker, **1st**, 11.66.

300 Hurdles: Travis Golson, **6th**, 51.94.

200 Meters: Cody Hyles, **4th**, 27.04.

800 Meters: William Meador, **3rd**, 2:29.46; Fili Vasquez, **5th**, 2:34.91.

1600 Meters: William Meador, **5th**, 5:47.88.

Triple Jump: Travis Golson, **4th**, 33-21/4; Fili Vasquez, **5th**, 32-10.

High Jump: Aaron Phillips, **2nd**, 5-2; Ricky Daniels, **4th**, 5-2.

Pole Vault: JJ Callaway, **1st**, 7-6.

Long Jump: Cody Baker, **3rd**, 17-81/2; Fili Vasquez, **4th**, 17-31/2; Cody Hyles, **6th**, 15-1/4.

Shot Put: Zach Bennett, **3rd**, 36-7; William Meador, **4th**, 34-5; Dalton Carpenter, **6th**, 32-81/2.

Discus: William Meador, **2nd**, 100-3/4.

The J.V. Boys finished 3rd with a total of 126 points.

SCHOOL BOARD MINUTES

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, High School Principal and guest, Josh Carty.

Prayer was led by Reggie Pillans.

Executive session went in at 7:10 p.m./out 9:39 p.m.

Motion was made by V. Dillard and seconded by Schaefer that a new contract for 2004-05 for Josh Carty with growth plan. For 7 Against 0

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

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April 14, 2005

Scholarship

school and community involvement, financial need, and completion of a brief essay.
Application: Applications are available from Laci Bean, the English teacher at Cross Plains High School.
Application Deadline: The application deadline is May 6, 2005 at 5:00 p.m. Please return the application with the essay attached to Dannes Turner at Texas Heritage Bank.

Selection: Selection will be based on

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SCHOOL MENU

APRIL 18 - 22

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WEDNESDAY - Sausage-N-Blanket, Assorted Juice
THURSDAY - Cereal, Toast, Assorted Juice
FRIDAY - Breakfast Bread, Assorted Juice

LUNCH

MONDAY- Burrito w/Chili & Cheese, Salad, Crackers, Mixed Fruit
TUESDAY - Salisbury Steak w/ Brown Gravy, Mashed Potatoes, Green Beans w/New Potatoes, Rolls, Pears
WEDNESDAY- Chicken Fajita, Salad, Corn, Pudding
THURSDAY-Beef/Vegy Soup, Grilled Cheese, Crackers, Apple
FRIDAY-Beef/Chicken Patty on Bun, Lettuce-Tomato-Pickles, Fries, Cookie

Have A Great Week!

Dr. Scott Childress Board Education

Please Vote Saturday May 7th

(Early Voting April 20th to May 3rd)

There are various entities within the community who have a stake in their PUBLIC Schools. Some of these entities are professional employees, parents, grandparents, businesses, general public, taxpayers and some special interest groups. To be a highly effective school district, which has total support from the community, these entities must be heard and their concerns addressed. Normally this occurs through all elected school board representatives acting together to address and formalize these concerns and issues. The manner in which these concerns and issues are formalized is through short and long range plans, goals and policies. The Board needs to openly address their personal concerns and of those they represent. In doing so, the Board can develop policies and goals to assure the finest quality education for our young people.

It would be a wonderful experience if a cooperative spirit existed between teachers, the school board and the community.

I would appreciate your vote.. Thank you

- * Taught Elementary, High School, College and Post-Graduate Education Courses
- * Hold B.S., M.S., Education Specialist and Doctor of Education Degrees
- * Was in School Administration for 23 years; Superintendent of 3 school districts ranging in enrollment from 475 to 14,500. Awarded Honorary State FFA Degree
- * High School Principal at Cross Plains from 1994 to 1997. On Board of Education from 1999 to 2002
- * Director of Enrollment Management at Ranger College 2002-2003
- * President of Cross Plains Public Library Board 2004 to present
- * Played baseball at High School, College and Professional Levels. Head Baseball coach at 5A equivalent High School, Division 2 University and coached at Professional Level
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I served in this community as pastor of the First Baptist Church, Cross Plains from 1981-1986. After nine years as pastor of the First Baptist Church in Pearsall, Texas, I retired and returned to Cross Plains in 2001.

I am interested in the future for our young people and the quality of education they receive to insure a successful future.

Not all of our young people will go to college, so we should equip them for the job market.

Those who do attend college should be equipped to excel in their respective majors. It would be an honor to serve as your school board representative.

- ✓ Graduated from Morton High School, Morton, Texas
- ✓ Graduated from Texas Tech University — B.B.A. Degree with a Major in Accounting
- ✓ Graduated from Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary — with a Master of Divinity Degree
- ✓ Veteran of the Korean War — Honorable Discharge
- ✓ Served on District Education Improvement Committee (DEIC)—Pearsall ISD, from 1996-1999
- ✓ Served as a Substitute Teacher in the Cross Plains ISD —Fall of 2001 until present.

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Callahan County Shooting Club Brings Home Another Victory

Callahan County shooting club is gearing up for the new season and the crew is off to a great start. Participating in another match on March 19, 2005. It was the Brownwood City Invitational Silhouette Shoot held at Brady, Texas.

Sporting the all too famous orange shirts with "FEAR THIS" in bold black writing on the back you can be sure that Callahan County made their presence known. With the largest number of members in attendance these boys and girls cleaned house when it came to the awards ceremony.

Members in attendance were: Collin Nowell, Brandon Black, Jarret White, Will White, Trendon Rouse, Janea Rouse, Landon Hart, Katelynn Mitchell, Ty Rhodes, Cody Cedergren, Barrett Ancinec, Zack Hines, Landon Nichols, and Brentt Nichols.

Events that the members could compete in were Air Pistol, Air Rifle, 22 Pistol, and 22 Rifle. Black Powder was on the agenda but time ran out before the event could even get started.

Cullen Knowles received a pin for 5 in a row of 60-yard pigs in the 22 Rifle event on the senior course.

Jarret White received a pin for shooting 5 in a row of 60-yard rams in Air Pistol. He also placed 3rd in the 22 Pistol event.

Will White earned a pin for shooting 5 in a row of 40-yard pigs in 22 Rifle.

Landon Hart placed 2nd and received a pin for 5 in a row of 40-yard pigs in 22 Pistol. He placed 2nd in the 22 Rifle and earned a second pin for the day with 5 in a row of 60-yard rams.

Katelynn Mitchell earned a pin in the 22 Pistol event for 5 in a row of 40-yard pigs. She brought home a 2nd place medal in Air Rifle. 22 Rifle was just as good to her as she placed 3rd and received another pin for 5 in a row of 60-yard rams.

Brandon Black won 1st place in the Air rifle and received a pin for 5 in a row of 60-yard rams. In the 22 Rifle event Brandon shot 19 out of 20 animals and won the 1st place medal. In the same event he received a pin for 5 in a row of 40-yard pigs and a pin for 10 in a row of 60-yard rams. Brandon won a plaque for being the overall sub-junior silhouette shooter.

I would like to also point out that a lot of our members did a personal best at this shoot and all of them should be commended for their efforts. No matter if you won a pin or a medal you are all winners. Congratulations to all you boys and girls. Good luck at the Brownwood Extravaganza!

Submitted by Tanya Black

Callahan County 4-H Photography Contest

The Callahan County Photography Contest was held on April 8, 2005. The objective of the 4-H Photography project is to develop life skills in composition, light, story line, posing, and awareness. It also encourages 4-H members to use photography as a meaningful communications tool in their lives. We had several entries this year in our Color, Black & White and our newest class, Color-Digital. In each category blue and red ribbons were given to each participant. Three photos in each category were selected to advance to the District 7 4-H Photography Contest to be held May 7th in San Angelo. Below are the County results:

Color/People
Blue Ribbon - Nicki Carroll
Color/Animal
Blue Ribbons - Nicki Carroll, Rose Wamsley.

Color/Natural Landscape
Blue Ribbon - Michelle Robbins, Nicki Carroll, Rose Wamsley.

Color/Plant-Flora
Blue Ribbon - Nicki Carroll
Color-Digital/People
Blue Ribbon - Hannah Capra, Veronica Alvarado, Alysa Isenhower.

Color-Digital/Animal
Blue Ribbon - Kallie Pruet, Hannah Capra, Alysa Isenhower.
Red Ribbon - Veronica Alvarado

Color-Digital/Still Life
Blue Ribbon - Hannah Capra, Michelle Robbins, Nicki Carroll.
Red Ribbon - Kallie Pruet
Color-Digital/Natural Landscape
Blue Ribbon - Kallie Pruet, Alysa Isenhower, Veronica Alvarado.

Color-Digital/Plant-Flora
Blue Ribbon - Hannah Capra, Kallie Pruet, Alysa Isenhower.
Red Ribbon - Kaysi Dean, Veronica Alvarado.

B&W/Animal
Blue Ribbon - Hannah Capra
B&W/Still Life
Blue Ribbon - Hannah Capra, Nicki Carroll.

B&W/Architectural Effects
Blue Ribbon - Nicki Carroll
All Media/Special Effects
Blue Ribbon - Hannah Capra, Nicki Carroll, Kaysi Dean.
Red Ribbon - Veronica Alvarado

All Media/Story Band
Blue Ribbon - Nicki Carroll, Kaysi Dean.

All Media/Theme
Blue Ribbon - Kaysi Dean

The Best of Show Ribbon was given to Hannah Capra for her entry in the All Media-Special Effects.

Due to the growth of the County 4-H Photography project we had our second County Contest in order to determine those photos that qualified to go to District 7 Contest. The growth of our County Photography project is due to the help of all our County Volunteers and our Project leader Kamie Pruet. The quality of our County Photos were exceptional throughout and we would like to thank all of the participants for a great job this year. We would also like to thank our judge for this year, Kathy Byram, she did an excellent job. Callahan County 4-H will be represented well at this year's District 7 Contest.

Robert Pritz, County Extension Agent-Ag

Nannette Vaughan in Concert at Rising Star Faith Cowboy Church Tuesday, April 19th

Nannette Vaughan, a lifetime resident of rural Southwest Virginia, was raised in a conservative home with high morals. At the age of 16, as so many of our youth today do, she began to plummet into a life of alcohol, drugs and abuse. She went from being an honor roll student, to becoming a high school dropout, living on the streets, and even sleeping in cars. God saw through the bruises and polluted blood to find a heart that was desperate for change.

In 1994, God reached down and pulled Nannette out of the nightmare life she had been living for over 7 years. She became highly active in church, and shortly after, God began to place songs within her being. In June of 2003, she recorded "In God's View" at Rushing Winds Studio in North Carolina. The project contains 10 original songs, written by her, which focus on what she refers to as "the here and now—everyday struggles of those trying to serve God."

"I'll Go", the first release from "In God's View" showed up on the Southern Gospel top 300 chart in June of 2004. In November 2004, one of her latest releases, "Meet Me With Love", placed 3rd in the Christian Country music Association songwriting competition, which



NANNETTE VAUGHAN

was judged by the like of Gerald Crabb and Laverne Tripp, to name a few.

What a Christmas surprise it was to learn that "Meet Me With Love" had also broken into the top 300 Southern Gospel chart. In January 2005, "Freer Than Free", her third release, made the top 100 Christian Country Charts.

Nannette Vaughan's music is currently being played across the United States and in Australia. Her prayer is that, through her music, God will renew the long-time Christian, strengthen those who are new in the Lord, and lead those still lost back to the Love and Grace of God.

Nannette will be in concert at Faith Cowboy Church, Tuesday, April 19, 403 Joyce Street, Rising Star at 7:00 p.m. Everyone is invited.

Job fair for young workers offered in Abilene Friday

ABILENE—In an effort to assist young job seekers in finding summer and part-time employment, the Workforce Center and Cumulus Broadcasting will host "Hot Dog-I Got a Job!" Area Youth Job Fair on Friday, April 15, 2005, from 1:00-5:30 p.m. at the Abilene Civic Center, 1100 N. 6th Street. Job seekers, age 16-21, are invited to meet representatives from businesses and to complete applications for employment. Over 25 businesses will be in attendance, including City of Abilene Recreation Department, Day Nursery of Abilene, H-E-B, Camp Butman, Sears Roebuck & Co, and Abtex Beverages. Applicants will receive assistance from professional staff on completing applications and marketing themselves to potential employers.

KBCY and Power 103 will be broadcasting live from the event and giving away door prizes.

Hot dogs and soft drinks will be donated by Abtex Beverages and the West Central Texas Workforce Board and will be provided free of charge to job seekers. "This event allows us to assist local employers in obtaining summer workers, and it provides applicants the convenience of applying for a number of jobs in one location. It's a win-win opportunity for employers and potential employees," states Mary Ross, Executive Director of the West Central Texas Workforce Development Board.

"Hot Dog-I Got a Job!" is being sponsored by the Abilene Area Job Fair Consortium, Cumulus Broadcasting, and the West Central Texas Workforce Center System. For more information about the job fair or other services for job seekers, contact the Workforce Center at (325) 795-4200 or visit the Workforce Center website at www.workforcesystem.org.

Final Applications being taken for Ten Star All Star Basketball Camp

Final applications are now being evaluated for The Ten Star All Star Summer Basketball Camp. The Camp is by Invitation Only. Boys and Girls ages 10-19 are eligible to apply.

Past participants include: Michael Jordan, Tim Duncan, Vince Carter, Jerry Stackhouse, Grant Hill and Antawn Jamison. Players from 50 states and 17 foreign countries attended the 2004 camp.

College basketball scholarships are possible for players selected

to the All-American Team. Camp locations include: Commerce, TX; Prescott, AZ; Belmont, CA; Thousand Oaks, CA; Sterling, CO; Bridgeport, CT; Babson Park, FL; Atlanta, GA; Carlinville, IL; Macomb, IL; Greencastle, IN; Atchison, KS; Baltimore, MD; Ypsilanti, MI; Hickory, NC; Schenectady, NY; Bluffton, OH; Doylestown, PA; Lebanon, TN; Blacksburg, VA; Lyndonville, VT; and Beloit, WI. For a free brochure, call 704-373-0873 ANYTIME.

CJC Online Registration Currently Underway

Cisco Junior College's online registration is now underway for Summer I and Summer II. The last day for online registration and payment for Summer I is June 1, and online registration for Summer II ends July 11, 2005.

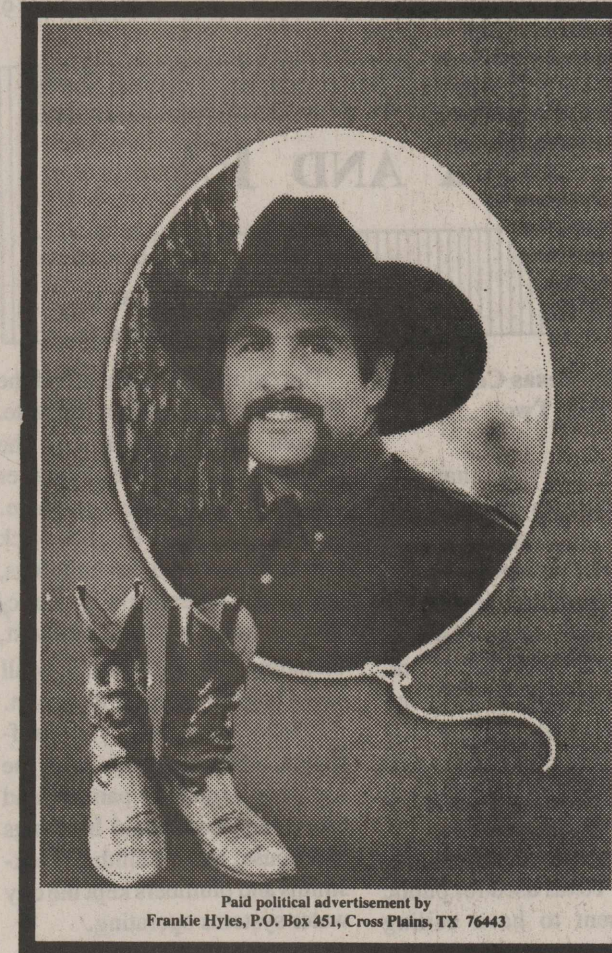
Course schedules are listed on the CJC website. Classes begin June 1 and end July 7. Summer II will begin July 11 and end August 11.

Visit the CJC website at

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Rockets

By: Mike Konczak

EDITORS NOTE: The Texas Legislature has recognized April as Texas History and Heritage Month. The following is a true snippet of Texas soldiers during this period. The Sons of Confederate Veterans representative Mike Konczak presented this article for publication. The Sons of Confederate Veterans wish to honor the brave men and women of the South regardless of race, creed, color or sex.

The Confederate States of America may have been a nation steep in Southern tradition, but it wasn't scared about trying something new to help win the war. Out in the eastern ironclad warships and submarines. Out West, on the Mississippi there were electronic torpedoes (or underwater mines) used at Vicksburg and Mobile Bay. In Texas, there were rockets.

In the summer of 1864, a German mechanic named Schroeder was working in the CSA engineering corps in Texas. He claimed to his superiors that he had been a lieutenant in a rocket battery of the Austrian-Hungarian Army. He professed a great deal of knowledge in the construction and arming of military rockets. Apparently someone believed him, because Schroeder was soon assigned to San Antonio to assist in the production of military rockets. With him went Confederate Lieutenant Getilius Kellersberger. Kellersberger had once directed the iron works at Wiener-Neustadt and had attended in Imperial Armies annual rocket tests.

San Antonio was picked for this experiment because of saltpeter. Large amounts of this critical element to the making of gunpowder were found in the area. The team of so-called experts produced several small three-foot rockets that carried a

six-pound grenade each as payload. The main problem was the chemical ingredients needed to fuel the projectile. The Saltpeter in San Antonio should solve the problem.

Kellersberger and Schroeder worked on their project in earnest, but their immediate superior was less than confident. As the project delayed so did patience and finally a test of the existing rockets was ordered. The location was either at what is not the San Antonio Zoo (near the Confederate Tanner Works) or at San Pedro Park.

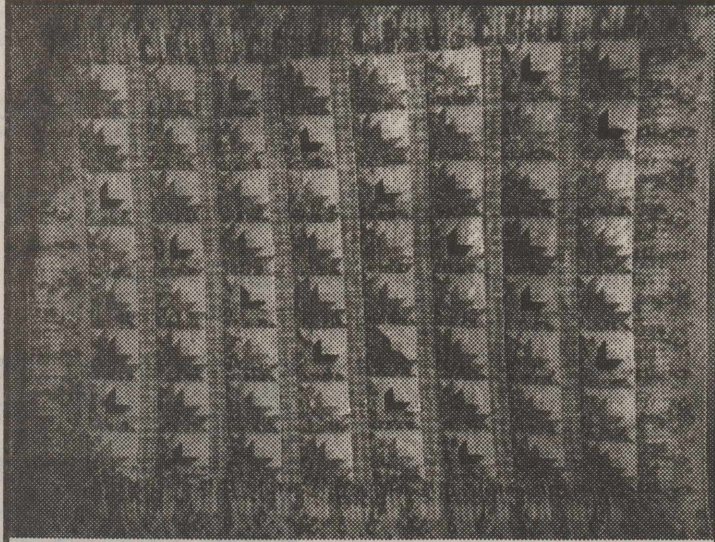
An impressive group of Confederate officers and interested spectators assembled for the demonstration, including General Hamilton P. Bee. The first rocket was fired. Off it went, hitting the ground and then ricocheting. It hit the ground just behind the horse of one of the inspecting officers. A second rocket was fired, went straight into the ground and then sputtered across the ground. A group of enlisted men beat a hasty retreat from its path of destruction.

Despite the failure, General Bee ordered a second public test. Kellersberger, fearing the worse, developed a headache and was unable to attend. His worse fears were however realized. The first rocket exploded in its firing stand. A second tore the firing stand down, causing a massive chain reaction. In want could be considered the worse rout of Confederate forces in South Texas, horse, soldiers and civilians ran for cover as the rockets exploded at random. It was the first and last moment of glory for the Texas/Confederate Rocket Battery.

That night, Lieutenant Kellersberger received orders to dissolve his special unit, nearly 1,000 rockets and their components were tossed into the San Antonio River.

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BEAUTIFUL WORK—Brownwood Quilter's Guild to auction birdhouse quilt at quilt show.

First Annual Heart of Texas Quilt Show to be held April 23 and 24

The Brownwood Quilter's Guild is hosting the First Annual Heart of Texas Quilt Show at the Youth Fair Grounds in Brownwood on April 23 and 24th. The Guild hand quilted the birdhouse quilt to be raffled off at the conclusion of the show on Sunday. Tickets can be purchased through any guild member. The quilt shoe will feature various quilt, fabric, and pattern vendors, scissor sharpening and many beautiful quilts to view. The winners in each category of the quilt show will be selected by viewer's choice. Anyone wishing to enter a quilt may contact Angela McCorkle at 325-643-9527 (8-5) or 325-966-3724 (evenings) for entry information.

Barb's Cues

By Barbara Holmes Worcester

A SANDPIPER TO BRING YOU JOY
She was six years old when I first met her on the beach near where I live. She was building a sand castle and looked up. Her eyes were as blue as the sea. "Hello", she said. "I'm building."
I answered with a nod, not really in the mood to bother with a small child.
"I just like the feel of sand."
That sounds good, I thought and slipped off my shoes. A sandpiper glided by.
"That's a joy," the child said. "My mama said sandpipers come to bring us joy."
The bird went gliding down the beach. "Goodbye, joy," I muttered to myself, "hello, pain" and turned to walk on. I was depressed; my life seemed completely out of balance.
"What is your name? My name is Wendy, I'm six."
"My name is Robert Peterson," I answered.
She giggled. "You're funny" she said. In spite of my gloom, I laughed, too, and walked on. Her musical giggle followed me. "Come again, Mr. P.," she called. "We will have another happy day."
The days and weeks that followed were busy with Boy Scouts, PTA meetings and an ailing mother. "I need a sandpiper," I said to myself as I strode out to the beach for the serenity I needed. I had forgotten the child and was startled when she appeared. Looking at her, I noticed the delicate fairness of her skin.
"Where do you live," I asked. "Over there." She pointed toward a row of summer cottages. Strange, I thought, in winter.
"Where do you go to school?"
"I don't go to school. Mama says we are on vacation. She chattered as we strolled up the beach. When I left for home, Wendy said it had been a happy day. Feeling surprisingly better, I smiled at her and agreed.
Three weeks later, I rushed to my beach in a state of panic. Later, when Wendy caught up to me, I said crossly "Look, if you don't mind, I'd rather be alone today."
"Why?" she asked.
"Because my mother died," I yelled and strode off.
A month or so later, when I went to the beach, she wasn't there. Feeling guilty, I went to the cottage after my walk and knocked on the door. A drawn looking young woman opened the door. "Hello," I said. "I'm Robert Peterson. I missed your little girl today and wondered where she was."
"Oh yes. Please come in. Wendy spoke of you often. If she was a nuisance, I'm sorry."
"Not at all, she is a delightful child." I realized I meant it. "Where is she?"
"Wendy died last week. She had leukemia. She left something for you...if I can find it."
She handed me an envelope with Mr. P printed in bold letters. Inside was a drawing in bright crayon hues-yellow beach, a blue sea and a brown bird. Underneath was a carefully printed: A SANDPIPER TO BRING YOU JOY. Tears welled up in my eyes and a heart that had almost forgotten to love, opened wide.
I took Wendy's mother in my arms, "I'm so sorry" I muttered over and over as we wept together.
The precious little picture is framed now and hangs in my study. Six words, one for each year of her life, that speak to me of harmony, courage, undemanding love. A gift from a child with sea-blue eyes and hair the color of sand-who taught me the gift of love.
Robert Peterson-From the papers of Jim Lawless. Edited for length.

County Honors Employees Callahan County Open House noted for Friday, April 15

Callahan County begins celebration of National County Government Week (NCGW). The County will be holding an Open House on Friday, April 15 beginning at 9.00 a.m. and continuing through the day. "National County Government Week is a perfect time to honor our county heroes," said County Judge Roger Corn. "Whether they police out streets, fight our fires, build new bridges, maintain county buildings, or provide medical services, county employees are servicing America."

NCGW is sponsored by the National Association of Counties (NACo) to raise public awareness about the roles and responsibilities of counties. Callahan County is one of more than 1,000 counties nationwide that participate in the week. The theme of this year's celebration is "Honoring County Heroes."

National County Government Week proclaimed April 10-16

PROCLAMATION

Whereas, county employees serve America, and Whereas, county employees police our streets, fight fires, save lives in hospitals and health centers, keep families healthy, repair bridges, help troubled youth and young adults, train laid-off workers, provide veterans services and countless other jobs they deserve to be recognized for; and Whereas, counties provide public safety and medical and human services, opportunities for new businesses to prosper; job training and technological solutions; needed elderly services for grandmothers and grandfathers; and health care to the disabled and needy; and Whereas, when natural or man-made disaster strikes county emergency services keep children and their families safe and informed until order can be restored; and Whereas, counties provide services that make America's communities stronger, safer places to live and raise families; and Whereas, county officials and employees use their role as leaders to encourage economic development and therefore improve the lives of their citizens and make their communities more livable; and Whereas, counties have a long history of providing critical services; and Whereas, county governments are the citizen's local government voice, providing solutions that bring communities together; Now, therefore, be it resolved, that in recognition of the leadership, innovation and valuable service provided by our nation's counties, Callahan County, Texas hereby proclaims April 10-16, 2005, as National County Government Week. Signed this the 3rd day of April, 2005.
Roger Corn, County Judge
Callahan County, Texas

Commissioners receive three bids for communications tower

Callahan County Commissioners opened three bids for the communications tower to be constructed in Callahan County during the commissioners' court regular monthly meeting held Monday, April 11 at the County Courthouse in Baird. The three bids received included: #1 Gulf Coast Steeple Jack Inc; \$30,800.00. #2 Lone Star Tower Co. \$161,093.00. #3 Western Tower for \$133,176.85. On a motion by Commissioner Harold Hicks and second by Commissioner Doris Grider, commissioners voted 5-0 to have Texas Communications to review the bids and make sure all specifications are sufficient. This item will be put back on the commissioners' court agenda on April 25. Rick Hanson and Jay Evans with Texas Communications, were present to discuss the communications tower frequency with the National License Corporation. There were some minor problems that needed to be corrected. On a motion by Commissioner Bryan Farmer and second by Commissioner Tommy Holland, commissioners voted 5-0 to authorize County Judge Roger Corn to make decisions as needed on the tower project. Other agenda items brought before the commissioners' court included: County Judge Roger Corn opened the commissioners court meeting at 9:30 a.m. Commissioners present included Harold Hicks, Precinct #1 Commissioner; Bryan Farmer, Precinct #2 Commissioner; Tommy Holland, Precinct #3 Commissioner;

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COURTHOUSE NEWS

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Roger Corn, Presiding
Misdemeanor Minutes

J. D. Seals, compromise settlement agreement and order granted.
Jake Freiman, motion to substitute counsel granted.
Kerrie Helmuth, compromise settlement agreement and order granted.
James C. Davis, motion to dismiss to no valid water fowl stamp granted, case dismissed in the interest of justice.
Robert M. Ellett, motion to dismiss to no valid water fowl stamp granted, case dismissed in the interest of justice.
Elizabeth C. Becerra, plea of guilty to driving while intoxicated (DWI), 1 year probation, \$600 fine, \$343 court costs.
Marianita Almager, plea of guilty to DWI - 2nd, 1 year probation, \$600 fine, \$343 court costs.
Marianita Almager, transfer request from Callahan Co. to Anderson Co. granted.
David J. Rodriguez, plea of guilty to DWI - 2nd, 15 days in jail, \$300 fine, \$243 court costs.
Richard A. Cardenas, plea of guilty to theft Class B, 6 month probation, \$200 fine, \$293 court costs.
Rodney Kuba, order extending probation granted.
Zachary Patrick Brown, motion to substitute counsel granted.
Johnny Baker, motion to dismiss motion to revoke probation granted.
Michael Johnson, motion to dismiss motion to revoke probation granted.
John Patrick McCartney, motion to withdraw as surety granted.
Bradley W. Vanpool, plea of guilty to obstruction of a highway, 18 month probation, \$2000 fine, \$243 court costs, \$51.98 restitution.
Bradley W. Vanpool, transfer request from Taylor Co. to Johnson Co. granted.
Clayborne Baity, plea of guilty to theft by check, 1 day in jail, \$100 fine, \$293 court costs.
Coy W. Beauchamp, Jr., plea of guilty to obstruction of a highway, 18 month probation, \$1000 fine, \$243 court costs.
Coy W. Beauchamp, Jr., transfer request from Taylor Co. to Tarrant Co. granted.
April J. McDonald, compromise settlement agreement and order granted.
Alfredo Garcia, affidavit for release of surety granted.
Gregory Valdez, motion to dismiss motion to revoke probation granted.
Shannon Tollett, plea of guilty to theft by check, 2 year probation, \$293 court costs, \$322.08 restitution.
Shannon Tollett, transfer request from Callahan Co. to Brown Co. granted.
Cody Cannon, motion to dismiss motion to revoke probation granted.

Marriage Licenses
Clarence Jay Haynes, Jr. of Lawn and Kamryn Lynn Calderon of Clyde.
Daniel Dwayne Whitley of Clyde and Julie Dawn Koen of Roscoe.

42nd DISTRICT COURT
John Weeks, presiding
Criminal Information & Complaints

Clinton A. Grubb, unauthorized use of a motor vehicle.
Criminal Minutes
Richard A. Cardenas, motion to dismiss to burglary of a building granted due to insufficient evidence.

Civil Filings
Vera C. Beck and Calvin A. Beck, divorce.
In Re: Janet Kay Youngblood, an adult, name change.
Herman Weaver vs. Kim Carter, individually and as next friend of Jason Goains or Goins, damages.
Kimberly Woods, individually and as next friend of Cheyenne Davis, a minor vs. Zachary Warren, damages.
Audra Leigh Hare and Jimmy Leon Hare, Jr., divorce.
Charlotte Dianne Alexander and Terry E. Alexander, divorce.

Civil Minutes
Cynthia Smith and Dwayne Smith, divorce granted.

Support Groups for Ladies at First Baptist

"Bear ye one another's burdens" is the most compassionate and Christ-like act one can do for others. For this reason, support groups are being offered to help women cope with the following topics:
Dealing with Rebellious Teens—Meet with Mary Dunn in the Family Life Center at First Baptist Church starting Monday, April 11, from 7:00 to 8:00 p.m.
Cancer Survival—Meet with Kathy Purvis in the old fellowship hall at First Baptist Church starting Thursday, April 14, from 7:00 to 8:00 p.m.
Grandparents Raising Children—Meet with Helen Parson in the old fellowship hall at First Baptist Church starting Tuesday, April 25, from 7:00 to 8:00 p.m.
These support groups are to allow women to come together and lift each other up in prayer, share hurts and pains, and learn to love each other in a Christ-like manner. For further information or questions, please contact Kathy Purvis at (254) 725-6219.

MA AND PA

BY JAMES NICHOLS

"Thurber, Texas Coal Town, Part Two"
By 1900, the town had 200 houses more than 30 stores and shops, a waterworks, churches, schools, offices, stables, an opera house that seated more than 650 people, a dairy, meat market, a 200 room hotel and an ice plant. The Thurber electric plant furnished power 24 hours a day, making Thurber one of the first towns in the state to have full electric service.
The opera house was the first building in Texas used for public entertainment to have ceiling fans.
The company ice house had the largest storage vault in the state. Frozen meat, prepared to the different national taste of Thurber ethnical citizens, was kept there.
Bricks from the Thurber brick works were used in buildings, streets and other heavy construction through the southwest, including the Galveston seawall and Congress Avenue in Austin. Thurber was virtually self-sufficient. Machine shops kept the machinery running; painters and carpenters maintained buildings and house; and tinsmiths, blacksmiths and plumbers kept the city water systems operating.
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Honey Bees In and Around Homes

Despite their value as pollinators and producers of honey and wax, honey bees are generally unwelcome in and around homes because of the possibility they may sting people and animals. With the recent tragic accident in Callahan County, it becomes even more important to reduce this hazard by being aware of and removing swarms and colonies of bees near homes if possible.

Because bees and wasps look somewhat alike; honey bees are often blamed for the misdeeds of some of the social wasps such as hornets and yellowjackets. One of the easiest ways to distinguish a honey bee colony from a wasp nest is by the type of material used in making the nest. Colonies of honey bees form wax combs, where they rear their young and store food. The social wasps form nests of a paper-like material.

Wasps are a problem around homes more often than honey bees because they are more apt to nest in open areas such as under the eaves of a house, or under porches, steps or benches. Also, individual wasps can sting repeatedly, while each honey bee stings only once and leaves its stinger in the skin.

Africanized and European honey bees are the same species and cannot be distinguished in the field. Africanized bees can only be identified in the laboratory. Because Africanized bees have been found in the area, any known colony of honey bees should be considered Africanized and all necessary precautions should be taken to protect people and animals.

People often encounter honey bees as they forage for food in a swarm or in an established colony. Each situation may require a different response. The one fact you should keep in mind is that honey bees are not aggressive; they do not search for something to attack. Honey bees are defensive and will attack anything they feel threatens the colony or the individual.

Bees away from the colony are not likely to sting because

they have nothing to defend. In general, if you leave them along they will leave you along. To prevent foraging bees from gathering in or around your home, remove or prevent access to any source of food or water that may attract them. This will include any items that provide a source of sugar or water such as flowers, ripening fruit, soda cans and water dishes. People wearing brightly colored clothing and perfume or aftershave lotion may also attract foraging bees because the bees' search for flowers is triggered by bright colors and sweet smells.

Honey bees swarm as part of the colony's reproductive process. A honey bee queen is not able to survive on her own or start a new colony alone. When an existing colony prepares to swarm, the bees produce a new queen. Then the old queen and about half of the worker bees will leave the parent colony to establish a new colony. It is this group of bees we call a swarm. Although a swarm appears quite dangerous, honey bees are usually gently when swarming. A swarm does not contain stored food or young bees, so the bees have nothing to defend and are less likely to sting.

Honey bees are most likely to sting when an established colony is disturbed. When a swarm selects a nesting site, the bees begin building combs in which to store food and rear young. Within 2 to 4 weeks, this colony of bees will have developed the defensive nature that the swarm lacks. If an established colony of bees is disturbed, the bees will respond by attacking anything within their territory. This is true for both Africanized and European bees. However, Africanized bees respond more rapidly and intensely than European bees and usually sting in larger numbers. Africanized bees and European bee venoms are chemically identical, but the Africanized bee is a greater threat because of the increased chance of multiple stings.

If you are attacked by bees and do not have on protective

clothing, the only solution is to seek protective cover such as a car, house or thick brush, and get out of the area the bees are defending. Do not attempt to trick the bees by playing dead or hiding, as they will continue to attack as long as you are within their territory.

If you are stung by bees, the stingers should be removed as soon as possible. Recent studies have shown that the longer the stinger is in the skin, the more venom is injected. Bee sting victims should pluck, squeeze, tweeze, pinch or scrape the stinger from the skin-in short, use any method to quickly remove the stinger. The most important aspect of treating stings is to act quickly and if allergies are suspected, get medical attention as soon as possible.

A swarm of honey bees may cluster temporarily on almost any object such as a tree branch, mail box or fence. The swarm may remain for a few hours or, at times, for several days while scout bees search for a suitable nesting site. Although a swarm is not dangerous and will generally move within a few days, this is the best time to eliminate bees if they are in an area where they are not wanted. Swarms near homes often move into wall voids, attics or chimneys if not eliminated.

The possibility of beekeepers collecting swarms has lessened the past few years. The low value of the bees and other problems with collecting swarms have forced many beekeepers to quit this service. In areas where Africanized bees are established most beekeepers won't collect swarms. The best alternative is to have the bees killed by a commercial pest control operator.

Finally, a swarm indicates that a colony may be nearby. Usually a swarm will gather near the colony if left shortly after it emerges. The area should be carefully searched while wearing protective clothing to locate the colony so that it, too, can be eliminated.

Honey bees prefer to nest in a protected location or cavity. To

keep bees from entering walls and other structures, block all entry ways such as holes in walls where pipes or electric wires enter, cracks in window framing, knot holes in wood siding, weep holes in bricks, and cracks where wood and brick structures join. Most of these openings can be filled with caulking. If an opening is necessary for air flow, block it with a wire screen. If you find that bees are already in a wall, do not block their entrance. Bees trapped in a wall will search for an alternative exit and may find their way to the inside of the building.

Honey bees that have moved into a building should be removed as soon as possible, before they begin to build combs in which to rear young bees and stem honey. Only when the bees first enter can they be killed without having to open the wall and remove large quantities of dead bees, wax and honey. If the colony has been in place for 3 weeks or longer, brood and food stores will be present in the colony and the bees are more likely to be defensive. As established colony must be removed after it is killed to prevent odor problems from decaying bees; to prevent other insect pests from being attracted to the dead bees, honey and wax; and to prevent honey from staining the wall as combs melt or are destroyed by other insects or mice.

Established colonies of honey bees, especially Africanized honey bees, can react very vigorously to any disturbance and will attack ant person or animal in their territory once they are disturbed. Any time you are working near an established colony you should wear protective clothing and ensure that no unprotected people or animals are nearby. Africanized bees will defend a fairly large area, so it is best to keep unprotected people or animals at least 400

yards away.

As with swarms, the best alternative is to have the bees killed by a pest control operator. However, you still need to be certain the dead bees, wax and honey are removed. It may be necessary to hire both a pest control operator to kill the bees and a contractor to open the wall, clean out the bees, honey, wax and other material and repair the wall.

Sincerely,
Robert Fritz, County Extension Agent

Cross Plains Review

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April 14, 2005

Farmer's Market to OPEN SOON!!!

In spite of the continuing cold and late spring, the Farmer's Market is still a "go" at the Cross Plains Public Library. Knowing that fresh produce will be on the short side, the twice a week project will, nevertheless, start on Tuesday, April 26, 7:30 a.m. and continue every Saturday and Tuesday throughout the growing season. Some folks may have protected garden areas that have escaped the late frosts and will have early produce to share.

Six feet long spaces along the front and side of the Library will be rented for \$5.00 each sale date. The same space may be assured

each week by making a paid reservation in advance. Otherwise, spaces will be taken on a first come basis with the rent being paid upon arrival. Each vendor will need to bring everything for their sale—table, chairs, sacks, etc.

The Library will advertise the sale on a weekly basis and can feature definite produce if we know in advance what vendors are bringing.

For more information, please contact Arlene Stephenson, (254) 725-4993 or Joan McCowen (254) 725-7478.

A SOLDIER'S THOUGHTS

By JERRY P. BIGGERSTAFF, JR.

Church

The melody of the hymn was broken by the clatter of a tank rolling outside the window.

Combat Church

This feels so strange. As the speaker gave his message, two helicopters flew low overhead. I cannot get over it. This is a church in a combat zone.

At any moment a mortar could hit this church, but I seem to disappear from the existence I have come to know over the last few months. It is as if I am back home in my church in Merkel, sitting with my family (and) rejoicing.

The tanks and helicopters making me return ever so briefly from the place my heart does truly long to be. Life away is hard but my life itself has never been better. I am able to see from afar what people can see everyday.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

The City of Cross Plains will hold a public hearing May 3, 2005 at 6:30 p.m. in the City Hall for the purpose of adopting the 2005/2006 annual budget. All citizens are encouraged to attend. 4-3c

CARD OF THANKS

We would like to express our gratitude to these wonderful people: Susan, John, Bob, and Donnie. Thank you for being there for me. Thank you for the calls, food, prayers. A big thank you to our neighbors. God bless you all.
Tom and Margaret Clark

CARD OF THANKS

We would like to express our appreciation to the wonderful people of Cross Plains for their kindness, caring and sweet spirit during the passing of our loved one.
Every act of thoughtfulness was a comfort to us.

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The Family of Gladys Boren would like to thank the people of Cross Plains for their prayers and support of little Livia who is to undergo surgery April 22. We thank you for the bake sale, the love fund and a special thanks to the people at Pioneer Baptist Church where Livia attends Church. We would like to say again thank you to everyone for their prayers and support.
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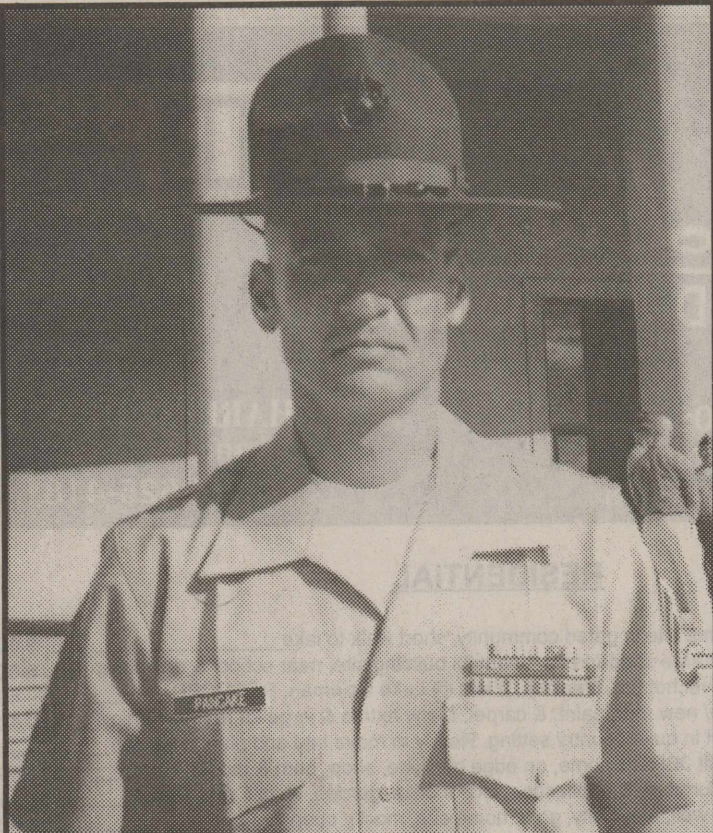
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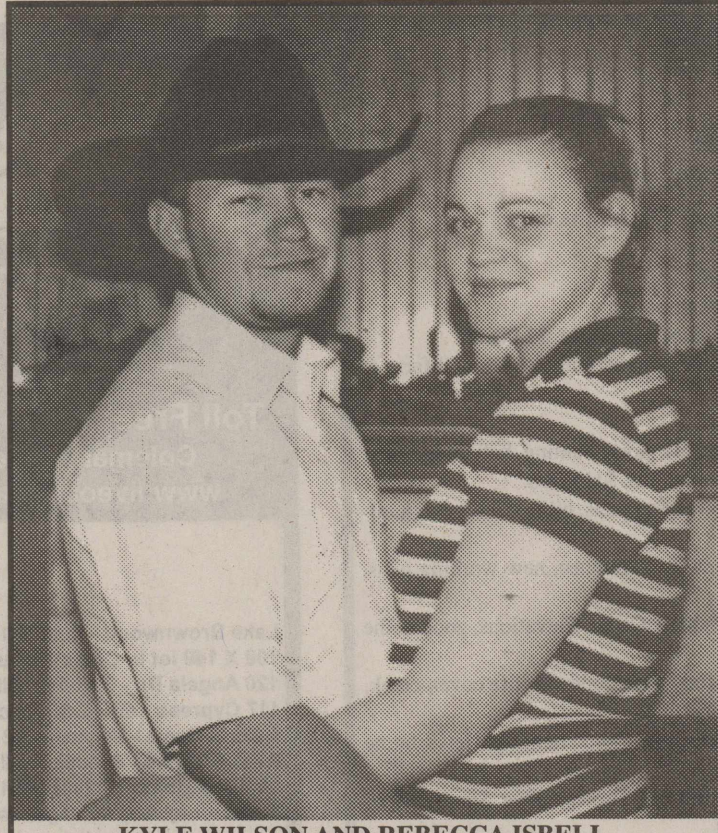
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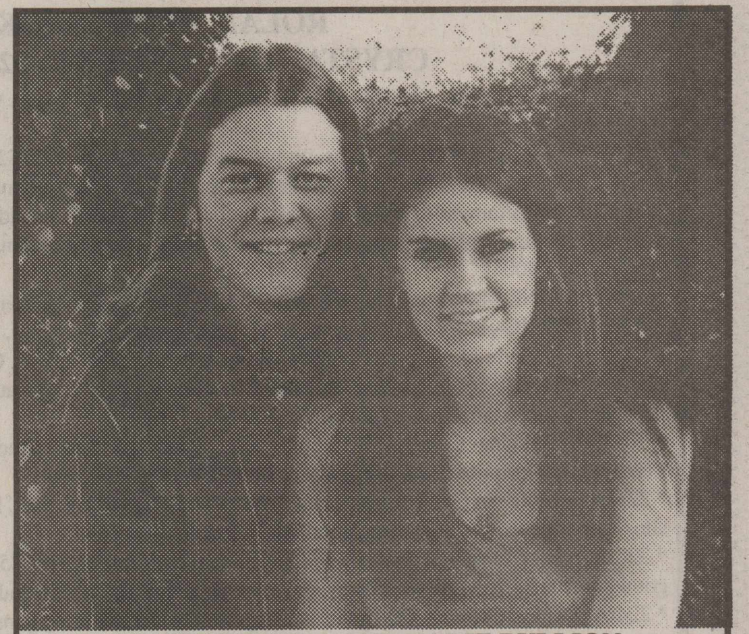
FORMER LOCAL YOUNG MAN SERVES IN THE U.S. MARINE CORP—U.S. M.C. Staff Sgt. Cody R. Pancake, formerly of Cross Plains and a 1992 graduate of Cross Plains High School, has completed and is a graduate of Drill Instructor school located at Camp Pendleton, California. Cody, his wife Betty, and two daughters, Jacklyn and Roxanne, will reside in San Diego, Ca. He will begin his new duties April 25th. Cody has been employed with the U.S. Marine Corp for 12 years. He is the son of Jackie and Nelda Pancake of Cross Plains.



KYLE WILSON AND REBECCA ISBELL

Isbell-Wilson engagement and upcoming marriage told

Gail Crawford and Roy Isbell are proud to announce the engagement of their daughter Rebecca Ann Isbell to Kyle Andrew Wilson, son of Scott and Karman Wyatt. A summer 2005 wedding is planned in Cisco, Texas.



JARED NOWELL AND KADIE BULLION

Bullion-Nowell to Unite in Marriage May 28th

Charles and Karen Bullion of Brownwood are pleased to announce the engagement and upcoming marriage of their daughter, Kadie Elizabeth, to Jared Dale Nowell, son of Melinda Barker of Early, and grandson of Cecil and Naoma Wilson of Cross Plains. The bride-elect is a 2002 graduate of Brownwood High School and is currently attending Tarleton State University. The bridegroom is a 2001 graduate of Cross Plains High School and is employed by Pioneer Exploration Co. The couple will exchange vows on May 28, 2005 at Calvary Baptist Church with Clayton Bullion, brother of the bride, officiating.

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Rural Texas is no small fry. • 52 percent (or 133) of Texas' 254 counties are classified as rural, 44 counties classified as micropolitan "fast growth" (for a total of 177 non-metropolitan counties) and 77 urban or metropolitan counties. • Rural Texas covers approximately 80 percent of the state's total land area, encompassing 213,297 square miles out of 267,277. • 85 percent of the state's incorporated cities have fewer than 10,000 residents. • The population of rural Texas is larger than the combined population of Alaska, North Dakota, Vermont, Wyoming and the District of Columbia. • Texas has almost twice as many farms as any other state and more than double the amount of land acreage in farms. • Visitors spend \$2.34 billion in rural and micropolitan Texas in 2002. • 14 percent (2.9 million) of the state's total population lives in rural Texas. Source: *The Status of Rural Texas 2004, Office of Rural Community Affairs.*



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