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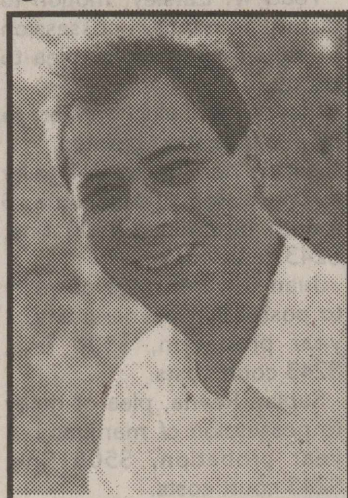
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Wandering Star Publisher to give Keynote Address at Project Pride Banquet June 10

Project Pride is proud to announce that the guest of honor for the 2005 Robert E. Howard Days, June 10 and 11, is none other than Wandering Star publisher Marcelo Anciano of London, England. Marcelo will be giving the keynote address at the Friday evening banquet on June 10, a twenty minute speech entitled "Let His Name Not Fade...Interpreting Robert E. Howard in Books, Films and other Media". The public is invited. Banquet tickets are \$10 each and may be purchased at Texas Heritage Bank or Cross Plains Public Library.



MARCELO ANCIANO

During the formation of the music videos during the early '80's Marcelo was writing for 3 out of 5 directors in the fledgling music video world. He later directed over 100 music videos and commercials and for over ten years worked with such diverse talents as Peter Gabriel, Little Richard, Gloria Estefan, Arnold Schwarzenegger and Danny DeVito amongst many others. He formed a film production company that specialized in commercials and music videos with a stable of over 8 film directors with offices in Los Angeles and London.

Forming Wandering Star Media and Paul and Michael Berrow,

they pursued film rights. First with 'Modesty Blaise' a highly prized character. Within a week 'Modesty Blaise' was at home with Miramax. In 2003 Marcel joined with Toby Tobias to write, direct and produce together.

Since 1998 Marcelo with Robert E. Howard Properties has been creating the Wandering Star Robert Howard Library of Classics limited edition books which have gone into a highly acclaimed series of paperback books by Del-Rey Random House with prize winning artists as Gary Gianni, Mark Schultz, Greg Manchess and Justin Sweet.

Marcelo is currently producer on, *Modesty Blaise*, a 35 year old character with 14 novels and over

100 comic book stories. A script is being developed with creative partner, Quentin Tarantino. It is being financed by Miramax Films. It was optioned 1994 and prequel shot in 2002 by Miramax Films. Sequel is currently in development. **Solomon Kane**, created by author of 'Conan the Barbarian' Robert E. Howard, is based upon a series of stories and comic. British/French co-production with Metropolitan Films with director Christophe Gans attached. Development started in 1998 with a tentative shoot in early 2006. **Bran Mak Morn**, created by Robert E. Howard is currently in development with a working title.

Marcelo has produced *My Name is Modesty*, a direct to video DVD showing the origins of Modesty Blaise. It was directed by Scott Spiegel and written by Lee Batchler and Janet Lee Batchler with executive producer Quentin Tarantino. Also *Semana Santa*, a best selling thriller novel by Davis Hewson was co-produced with Schlemmer Films. It was optioned and development started in 1996 and shot in 2002 with Mira Sorvino and Olivier Martinez.

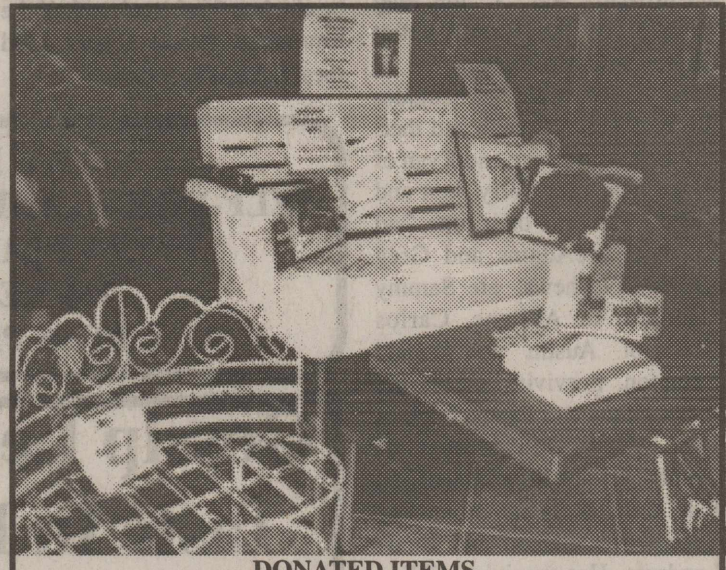
Submitted by
Era Lee Hanke

Drawing to be held June 11th at Barbarian Festival

Tickets are now on sale at Texas Heritage Bank for a drawing to be held on June 11th at the Barbarian Festival. All proceeds of the drawing will be deposited into the Terry Jane McWilliams Wyatt Scholarship fund.

Local and area businesses have generously donated the following items: Hand crafted wood swing-Callahan Furniture of Cross Plains; 52 piece socket set-Cross Plains Parts Plus; Metal Lawn Bench-Taste of Texas; Electric Razor-Tyson Pharmacy of Coleman; Picnic Table with Coke items-Abilene Coco Cola; Beautiful Hand Quilted Pillows-Lou Grider; Certificates for the following from Childress Farms of Cottonwood-Cut your own Christmas Tree, 1/2 bushel of peaches, #5 of black berries (you pick), #3 of pecans.

Kents Harley Davidson of



DONATED ITEMS

Abilene has donated a very nice Harley Davidson coat which will be drawn for during the motorcycle show and games held on the lot behind the Dairy Queen June 11th. Tickets for the coat may be purchased in advance from George Mathews or the day of

the show. Tickets for both drawings are \$1.00 each, 6 for \$5.00 or 11 for \$10.00. Thanks to all who donated prizes and those who have purchased tickets to show your support of the scholarship.

Submitted by Cindy Payne

Pioneer Memorial Day Observance Scheduled for May 30th

Mr. James Alexander, retired teacher, administrator, coach and World War II Veteran, is scheduled to give the keynote address for the Pioneer Memorial Day Observance Program. The program is

scheduled for Monday, May 30, 2005, at 9:00 AM. The program will be held under the Pioneer Veterans Memorial Pavilion located near the War Memorial and the Flag Pole. The cemetery is located on Highway 36

between Cross Plains and Rising Star.

Following the National Anthem, local World War II Veterans are asked to assist in the Flag Raising Ceremony. Other local and area residents will have special parts on the program, which will be climaxed with a helium balloon "lift off" in support of American troops in Iraq, Afghanistan and other parts of the world.

As in the past, some seating will be provided, but please bring lawn chairs if convenient. Refreshments will be served following the program.

Due to much citizen involvement, a very successful cleanup and work day was held recently. The community takes pride in our cemetery and appreciation of American Veterans.

We appreciate your attendance and if you cannot attend, please give thanks for your freedom to both our living and fallen heroes.

Submitted by
Jim Fleming

Commencement Exercises Friday

The Cross Plains High School Class of 2005 will have thirty seniors graduating in commencement exercises Friday, May 27, at 8:00 p.m. in the high school gym.

Gail Ransdell will perform the processional followed by a welcome from Karen Ross. The invocation will be led by Thomas Dimitri.

Special music entitled "Good Riddance", will be performed by Treva Gambrell, accompanied by Thomas Dimitri.

Lori Hail will give the Salutatory Address. She is the daughter of Curtis and Dianne Stahnke and David and Beth Hail. Miss Hail's academic honors include membership in the National Honor Society for the past three years and being selected to Who's Who Among American High School Students for four years.

She has demonstrated leadership qualities serving as the class secretary during her junior year at Cross Plains High School.

Lori has participated in the One Act Play for three years where she was chosen Honorable Mention All-Star Cast each year.

Her senior year she was elected "Most Unique" and "Biggest Clown" by her peers. Other extracurricular activities include band, FHA, and PALS.

She plans to attend Abilene Christian University this fall and major in Toxicology. She will then attend medical school to become a Forensic Pathologist.

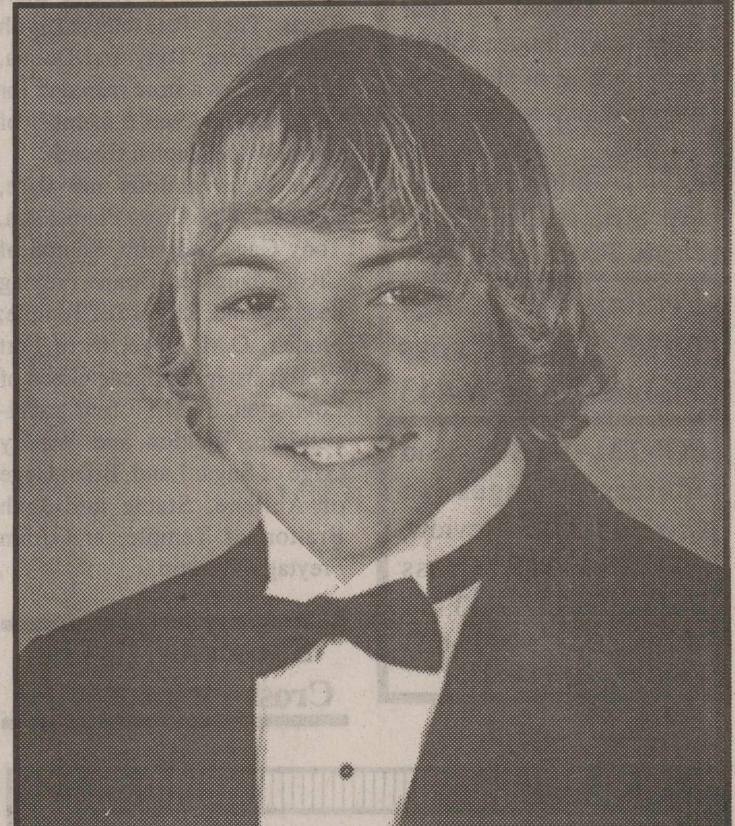
The Valedictorian Address will be presented by Brandon Horton, the son of Tammy Ford.

His academic accomplishments include membership in the National Honor Society for the past three years; elected to Who's Who Among American High School Students; and named to the 1st Team All-State Academic Football Team.

Brandon has demonstrated leadership qualities as the vice president of his senior class. He has also been active in basketball, football, golf, track, FFA and Key Club.

His future plans include enrolling in the Department of Civil Engineering at Texas Tech University.

High school principal Jimmie Cearley will present awards and scholarships.



VALEDICTORIAN—Brandon Horton



SALUTATORIAN—Lori Hail

Jackie Tennison, superintendent, will introduce the speaker, Laci Bean, the high school English instructor.

At this time Mr. Tennison will introduce the Class of 2005 and the school board trustees will present diplomas.

"Breakaway" and "Fly Away From Here" will be played during the Presentation to the Family.

Charlene Fleming will close the ceremony with the benediction and Gail Ransdell will perform the recessional.

The top ten students for the Class of 2005 are Brandon Horton, Lori Hail, Thomas Dimitri, Kelsey Richards, Karen Ross, Stephanie Edington, Dayna Bennett, Kali Phillips, J.D. Cook and Chris Beaty.

Senior class officers are Karen Ross - President, Brandon Horton - Vice-President, Thomas Dimitri - Secretary and Stephanie Edington-Treasurer.

Morgan sponsors are Marc Morgan Dalena Tarver and Joshua Carty.

Worst Case Scenario: NO Cross Plains EMS Available!!

Suppose that your mate, your child, your parent, your neighbor, your best friend — anyone, any relationship — were to have a real medical emergency — a heart attack, stung by a swarm of bees, diabetic coma, an open head wound — any serious medical problem — and there was no local ambulance service available — the nearest service being Clyde, Cisco, Brownwood, Coleman, Eastland, or Comanche.

Due to a lack of enough volunteers to serve as medical technicians, the Cross Plains Volunteer Ambulance Service sometimes finds itself without enough attendants to run the ambulance on some days of each month. We may have one or more attendants who can serve as first responder(s), but to make the trip to a hospital, two attendants are required.

Our only recourse in such a

situation is to call a service from one of the above mentioned towns, usually Clyde. Do you know how long it takes them to respond from those distances? "Go figure!" Thirty to forty-five minutes to an hour at a minimum! We usually respond within five to ten minutes — in fifteen to twenty minutes even out in the rural areas. That is, of course, if we have available attendants.

It is our understanding that the city and/or county of Coleman had to recently "anti up" \$100,000 to insure that their paid ambulance service continued, if we have to go to a paid ambulance service for our area, the city of Cross Plains and/or Callahan County will have to do the same! As it is, these entities have to contribute very little — \$3,000-\$5,000 per year — in order for our ambulance service to operate.

Some volunteers "stepping up See EMS Page 12

Texas Heritage Bank

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Presents: "What's Inside"

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Retirement Party

Cross Plains Grain & Peanut
Friday, May 27th
From 3:00 - 5:00 PM

In Honor Of **Blenda Bains**
Upon Her Retirement And
Giving Us 40 Years
Of Her Loyalty & Friendship

Also at this time we would like to welcome
Jolene Williamson as our new office manager.
See You There!

C.P. STUDENT REVIEW

SCHOOL BOARD MINUTES

May 19, 2005

The Cross Plains I.S.D. Board of Trustees met in a regular meeting with the following members present: Vicki Dillard, Susan Schaefer, Burlie Taylor, Frankie Hyles, Jim Cook, Scott Childress and Reggie Pillans.

The following administrators and guests were also in attendance: Superintendent Jackie Tennison, High School Principal Jimmie Cearley, Elementary Principal Margie Sowell, and guests, Jerri Taylor, Susan Holland, Lurene McNutt, Cliffadean Hargrove, David Estes, Tonjia Walker, Annette Nickerson, Nora Odom, Judy Luter, Kim Crockett, Rebekah Crockett, Jeri Taylor.

Prayer was led by Burlie Taylor.

Minutes were approved with correction.

Pillans nominated Jim Cook for President.

Taylor nominated Scott Childress as President. Vote Cook 4 Childress 3

Schaefer nominated Reggie Pillans as Vice President.

Childress nominated Burlie Taylor as Vice President. Taylor declined. Vote Reggie Pillans For 3 Against 0

V. Dillard nominated Susan Schaefer as Secretary. No other nominations. Vote 3 Against 0

Motion was made by Childress and was seconded by Hyles to accept depository pledge from Texas Heritage State Bank. For 7 Against 0

Motion was made by Pillans and seconded by V. Dillard to accept contract from Big Country Library Media Coop for

library services for 2005-06 school year. For 7 Against 0

Motion was made by Taylor to table Cameron Gulley auditors contract. For 3 Against 4 (Dillard, Cook, Schaefer and Pillans)

Table failed. Item was further discussed.

Motion was made by Hyles and seconded by Taylor to table Cameron Gulley auditors contract. For 7 Against 0

Motion was made by Childress and seconded by V. Dillard to accept bid from Marc Sales for \$1,953 to re-coat both gym floors. For 7 Against 0

Motion was made Childress and seconded by Hyles to accept sale of delinquent tax property. For 7 Against 0

Motion was made by Pillans and seconded by Taylor to accept tentative school calendar for 2005-06 school year. For 7 Against 0

Motion was made by Childress and seconded by Pillans to accept Policy Update 75

Executive session began at 9:00 p.m. out at 9:40 p.m.

Motion was made by Childress and seconded V. Dillard to accept resignation of Bill Robinson and Joshua Carty and reassignment of Becky Dillard, releasing her of cheerleader sponsor and coaching duties. For 7 Against 0

Motion was made by Taylor and seconded by Schaefer to extend letter of assurance to Mack Taff as Technology Director and Matt Sowell as Band Instructor Aide.

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

"Unofficial Minutes"

TxDOT provides high schools \$350 grant for Project Celebration

ABILENE, Texas * High schools awarded \$350 mini-grants.

Called Project Celebration 2005, Baird and Cross Plains High Schools are among 29 high schools in the Abilene District taking part in a Texas Department of Transportation's graduation program. Each school will receive a \$350 mini-grant for graduation activities. Other Callahan County high schools participating are Clyde and Eula schools.

"I am very pleased that TxDOT continues to approve the expenditure of funds to support graduation activities across Texas," Brenda Mitchell, Abilene District traffic safety coordinator, said.

"Since TxDOT is a staunch advocate of safe and sober driving habits, it's essential that we stand by what we profess and do our part to help communities provide a safe and sober occasion for their graduating students," Mitchell said. "Memories made during graduation activities should be pleasant ones that

students can remember for a lifetime."

Mitchell also visited each high school and presented the Project Celebration chairperson mementos for each of the graduates who attend their high school event. These graduation souvenirs are designed to be a reminder to the students to remain drug and alcohol-free not only around prom and graduation time, but always, she said.

According to the traffic safety coordinator, these mini-grants are not intended to fully fund a Project Celebration event, but to provide seed money for schools to start and support alcohol and drug-free parties for high school students. The funds are to be used to cover expenses such as printing, materials, postage, supplies, room rentals, and the like.

Transportation officials report that this program, which began in 1984 with only two schools, is one of TxDOT's most popular and well-received projects offered throughout the state.

District 7 4-H Photo Contest Results Given

The District 7 4-H Photography Contest was held on May 7th in San Angelo. Entries from 23-area counties participated in this annual event. Texas Cooperative Extension sponsors this event that is designed as the final step in the 4-H Photography project. The objectives of the 4-H Photography project us to develop life skills in composition, light, story line, posing, and awareness. It also encourages 4-H members to use photography as a meaningful communication tool in their lives. The District 7 contest provides a photography project showcase opportunity for those 4-H members participating.

Callahan County had several individuals participating.

Callahan County had several individuals participate in this years contest, below are the results:

Color/People
Blue Ribbon Nicki Carroll
Color/Animal
Blue Ribbon Nicki Carroll
White Ribbon Rose Wamsley
Color/Natural Landscape
Blue Ribbon Michelle Robbins
Red Ribbon Nicki Carroll, Rose Wamsley
Color/Plant-Flora
Red Ribbon Nicki Carroll
Color-Digital/People
Blue Ribbon Hannah Capra
Red Ribbon Veronica Alvarado, Alysa Isenhower
Color-Digital/Animal
Blue Ribbon Kallie Pruet,

Hannah Capra, Alysa Isenhower

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

Color-Digital/Plant-Flora
Blue Ribbon Kallie Pruet
Red Ribbon Hannah Capra, Alysa Isenhower
B&W/Animal
Red Ribbon Hannah Capra
B&W/Still Life
Blue Ribbon Hannah Capra
Red Ribbon Nicki Carroll
B&W/Architectural Effects
Blue Ribbon Nicki Carroll
All Media/Special Effects
Blue Ribbon Hannah Capra, Nicki Carroll, Kaysi Dean
All Media/Story Board
Blue Ribbon Kaysi Dean
Red Ribbon Nicki Carroll
All Media/Theme
White Ribbon Kaysi Dean

Best of Ribbons were given to:

Hannah Capra for Color-Digital/Still Life
Hannah Capra for Color-Digital/People
Hannah Capra for B&W/Still Life
Kallie Pruet for color-Digital/Animal
Nicki Carroll for B&W/Architectural Effects
Submitted by Robert Pritz
County Extension Agent-Ag

Attention! Athletic Physicals May 25th

One again, it is time to get your physicals if you plan to participate in athletics for the 2005-06 school year. These physicals are required by the UIL for those students entering the 7th, 9th and 11th grades.

One Source Health Center in Cross Plains will be offering FREE physicals on Wednesday,

May 25th, from 3 p.m. to 5 p.m. All students must be at the clinic no later than 5 p.m.

Students who wear glasses must bring them for the physical. Students will also need the forms signed by the parent before the physical can take place.

Submitted by Coach Hagler
Athletic Director

Immunization Clinics Announced for Callahan County

The Texas Department of State Health Services will hold Immunization Clinics in Callahan County as follows:

Monday, June 6th
(please note the date change)
Baird Cafeterium
400 W. 7th
10 a.m. - 12 noon
Cross Plains Housing Authority Office
233 North Main
2 p.m. - 4 p.m.

Wednesday, June 8th
Clyde First Baptist Church
216 Austin
10 a.m. - 12 noon
and
1:30 p.m. - 3 p.m.
Please bring child's Immunization Records
For more information call
(325) 754-4945

CJC hosting two Little Wrangler Basketball Camps

The Cisco Junior College Basketball Program will be hosting two Little Wrangler Basketball Camps this summer. Tommy Simmons, CJC's women's basketball coach, said that the camps will focus on fundamental drills, shooting, passing, skills games, and contests. The camps are for boys and girls ages 5 - 12, and each participant will receive a camp T-shirt and camp

ball. Cost is \$55 per camper. Camps will be held June 13-16, and July 11-14 from 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon.

For more information, please call (254) 442-5174 or email tsimmons@cisco.cc.tx.us. For on-line registration, log on to www.cisco.cc.tx.us and click Athletics, then Basketball-Women's, then Summer Camps.

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Happy Birthday!

MAY 28
Earl Meroney
Jarad Landon Richards
Iris Davis
Mrs. Norma Jean Reynolds
Marciel Rich Carthen
Austin Tate Hilburn

Karen Ross
Chancy West
Douglas Edwin Ege
Dennis Brown
Melinda Williams
Sherry Odom
David Purdue
Billie "Babe" Stubblefield
Jennifer Bronson

MAY 29
Keegan Lane King
Kelly Ford
Doug Richard Adams
Jerry Ramey
Ben Honea
Mrs. Glenn Merrill
Charlotte (Albrecht) Haston
Chasity Goains

JUNE 1
Anita Mayes
Rita Bates
Gary Gilmore
Junior Harding
Bess Black
Robert L. Hayes
Mrs. R.D. Corley
Derek Downs

MAY 30
Kylar Paul King
Kevin Haackson
Mrs. Garmond Parrish
Maxey Evans
Henry Edington
Lynn Rochelle Belew
Dickie Wayne Chambers
Micheal Hutchins
Melody Hutchins
Martha Ramirez
Christina Beaty

JUNE 2
Bill Pope
Todd Hogan
Darrel O. Walker
Jane Nunn
Gregg Williams
Bruce Hubbard
Donny Webb
Ross Rowlett
Mark Coburn
Clark Coburn

MAY 31
Mrs. James Chesshir
Roland Brown
Darla Davis
Earl E. Hooks
Mrs. Elmer Biehl
Mrs. Herman Weaver

JUNE 3
Sandra (Weiss) Carey
Charles Coburn
Alexis Angel Mauricio

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TITLE I END OF YEAR MEETING

Cross Plains Elementary and Cross Plains High School are Title I school wide program schools.

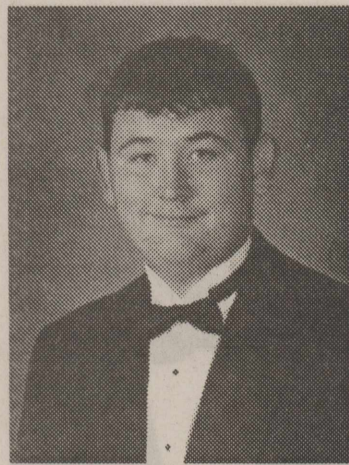
Cross Plains I.S.D. receives approximately \$141,000.00 Title I funds each year.

There will be a planning meeting for parents Thursday, May 26, 2005 at 6:30 p.m.

in the Elementary Distance learning Lab to give suggestions for the 2005/2006 school year.

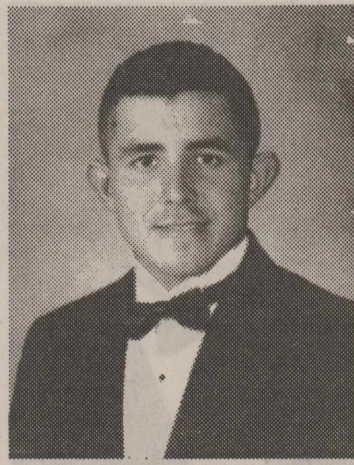
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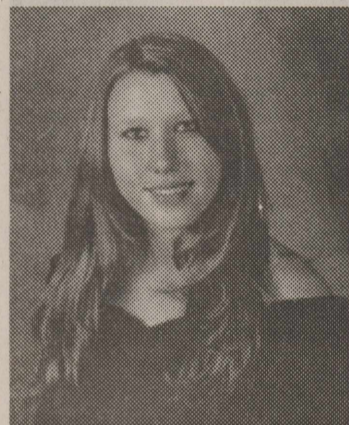
CHRISTOPHER BEATY

Son of Bobby and Cheryl Beaty
Extracurricular Activities: Track 3 years and FFA 4 years
Awards and Honors: Lone Star Farmer
Future Plans: I plan to take the summer off, then look into attending a technical school in the fall.



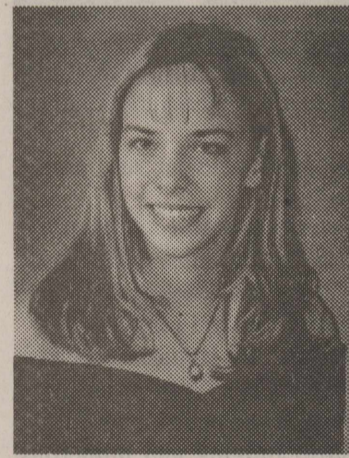
GERALD BROWN, JR.

Son of Gerald Brown Sr. and Rickie Brown
Extracurricular Activities: Baseball 1 year; Football 4 years; FFA 4 years; FHA 1 year
Future Plans: I plan to attend college to be a nurse.



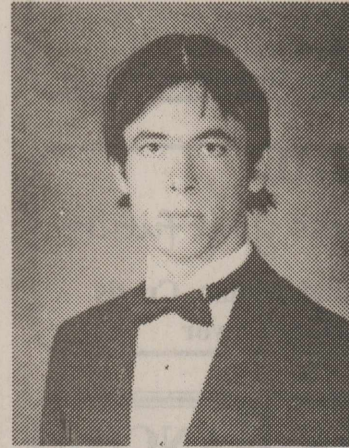
DAYNA LEIGH BENNETT

Daughter of Bryan and Debi Bennett
Extracurricular Activities: Basketball 4 years; Tennis 1 year; Track 3 years; FFA 4 years; FHA 1 year; Key Club 2 years; Cross Country 4 years; Cheerleading 3 years
Awards and Honors: Class Secretary-Fresh/Soph; Freshman Favorite; All-District Honorable Mention Basketball; FFA Sentinal-Jr; FFA Secretary-Sr; FFA Lone Star Degree-Jr.
Future Plans: I plan on attending Tarleton State University with a major in Human Sciences and Development.



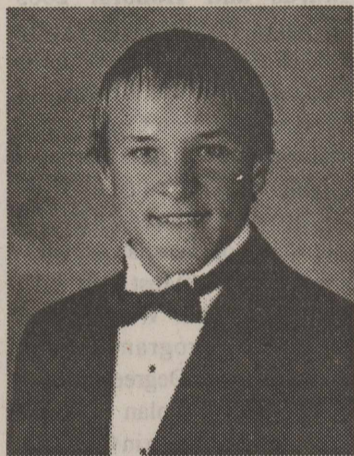
TIFFANY MARIE BESSELAAR

Daughter of Joe and Jane Besselaar
Extracurricular Activities: OAP 1 year and FFA 1 year
Awards and Honors: Who's Who; Scholarship First United Methodist Church
Future Plans: I plan to attend CJC for Computer Technology.



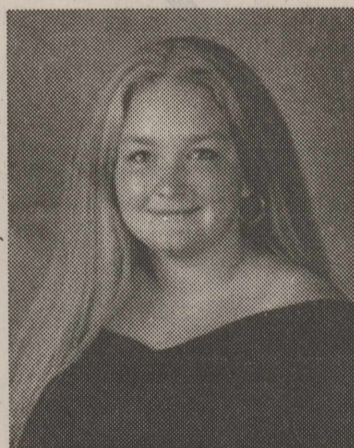
TRAVIS FLYNT BLACK

Son of Wade and Deanna Black
Extracurricular Activities: Track 3 years and FFA 4 years
Future Plans: I plan on going to CJC for mechanics.



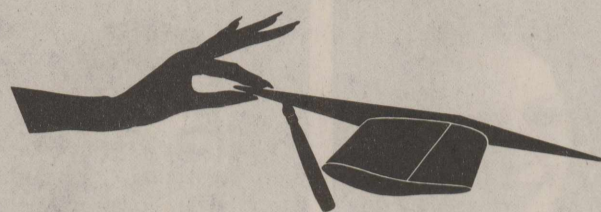
MITCHELL BYRD

Son of Guy Byrd and Gayla Plunk
Extracurricular Activities: Band 2 years; Baseball 2 years; Basketball 1 year; Football 4 years; Track 3 years; FFA 4 years; FHA 1 year
Awards and Honors: Who's Who; Football All-District Honorable Mention
Future Plans: I plan to attend Cisco Junior College for two years, transfer to Texas Tech and then go to law school at Texas Tech's School of Law.



NICOLE CLARK

Daughter of David and Cindy Clark
Extracurricular Activities: Basketball 4 years; Track 2 years; Pals 1 year; Cross Country 3 years
Awards and Honors: 1st Team All-District Basketball
Future Plans: I plan to show cutting horses.



Class Colors

Purple and Silver

Class Flower

Yellow Rose

Class Motto

"The memories we've shared, the times we've had together, they will stay with us always
 Goodbye is not forever.

Dusty

Congratulations! We are so proud of you. May God continue to bless you with happiness.

Love, Mom, Dad and Brock

Mitch

We are very proud of you. We wish you much success and happiness in life. Congratulations and Good Luck.

We Love You, Dad, Faye, Marc, Pa-Pa and Ma-Ma

JD,

"Never Stop Learning" remember that your education still continues. As you travel to Tech, you will be fired with enthusiasm. May you always be a listener and learn from all you meet always keep a student's spirit and your life will be complete. Graduation is not the end; it's the beginning. You may think of it as the ticket to the good life. Think of the alternative, your ticket to change the world.

We Love You, Mom, Dad, and Macayla

Congratulations Dayna!

We are very proud of you.

Love, Mom, Dad, Emma, Kelli, Ashley
 Granny Brenda, Granny and Papaw

Congratulations Chistopher

We're proud of you!

Love Always, Dad and Mom

HIGGINBOTHAM'S BROS.

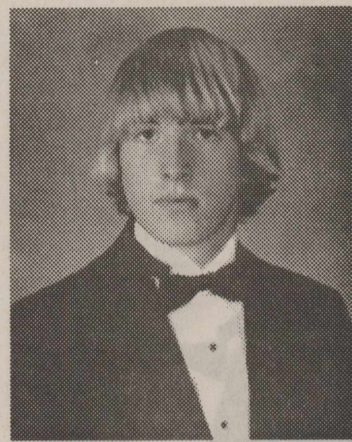
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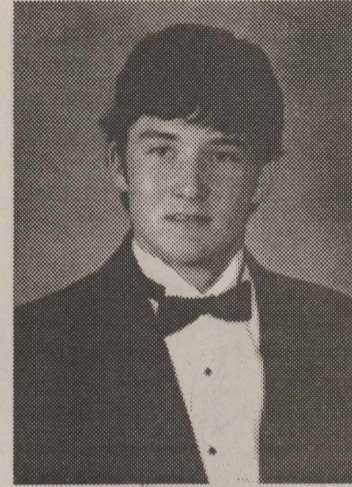
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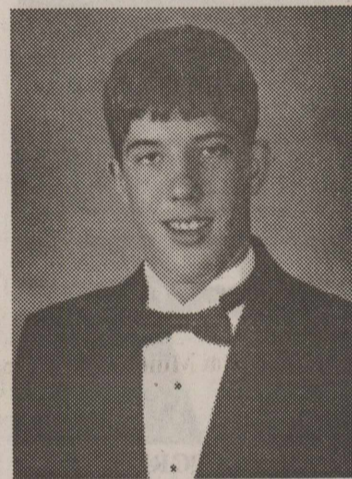
JIMMIE D. COOK (J.D.)

Son of Jim and Patricia Cook
Extracurricular Activities: Basketball 4 years; Football 4 years; Golf 3 years; Tennis 3 years UIL (Number Sense & Mathematics); FFA 3 years; FHA 1 year; Key Club 4 years
Awards and Honors: Who's Who American High School Students; Spanish Foreign Language (UIL) Award; Varsity Football 1st Team Lineman Honorable Mention
Future Plans: I plan to attend Texas Tech University in Computer Science and with a Masters in software engineering.



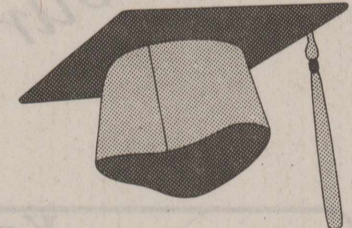
THOMAS AARON DIMITRI

Son of Rusty and Dana Dimitri
Extracurricular Activities: Basketball 1 year; Football 4 years; Track 4 years; FFA 4 years; FHA 1 year; Key Club 2 years; PALS 1 year; NHS 3 years
Awards and Honors: Fellowship of Christian Athletes' Captain; Fellowship of Christian Athletes' Recruiter; Key Club President; FFA Chapter President-2 years; FFA Chapter Treasurer; FFA Chapter Greenhand President; Senior Class Secretary; Sophomore Class President; Freshman Class Vice-President; Livestock Judging Area Team 4 years- State Team 1 year; Senior Quiz Area Team 3 years-State Team 2 years; Top Ten State Finalist Star Lone Star Degree in Production Award; State Winner Texas and Southwestern Cattle Producers Beef Proficiency; 1st Runner up Area Beef Proficiency- 3 years; 1st Runner up Area Star Chapter Farmer; 1st Runner up Area Star Greenhand Farmer; Texas Celebration of Education Excellence Award-2 years; Outstanding Student-2 years; Who's Who Among American High School Students-3 years; Who's Who Among American High School Students, Athletics-2 years; National Scholastic Nominee-3 years; Charles Barnard/Jessie Sibley Award; Billy Brown 110% Award; Buffs Best in Track; All State Academic Football Team-2nd Team; All District Running Back-1st Team; Regional Finalist Pole Vault -2 years; Regional Qualifier 800 Meter Relay-2 years; 1st Runner up Mr. CPHS; Most Likely to Succeed; Most Athletic; Most Friendly; 1st Runner up Most Handsome; Class Favorite-3 years; Most Dependable-2 years
Future Plans: I plan to attend McMurry University and study engineering/mathematics while contributing to the varsity track program by specializing in pole vault. I hope to teach math/science on the high school level while coaching track and field and football.



DUSTY RAY COOPER

Son of Lindy and Curtis Cooper
Extracurricular Activities: Baseball 3 years; Basketball 4 years; Football 2 years; Track 1 year; FFA 4 years; Key Club 1 year; Cross Country 3 years
Future Plans: I plan to attend college and get a degree in wild life management



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TIM'S FLORAL & GIFTS

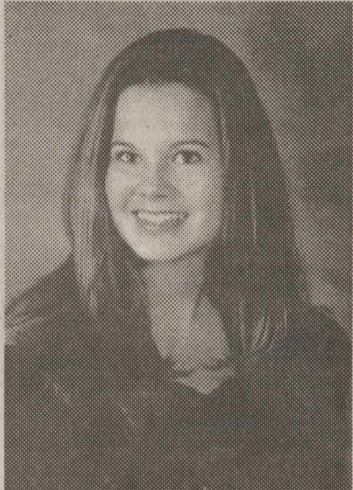
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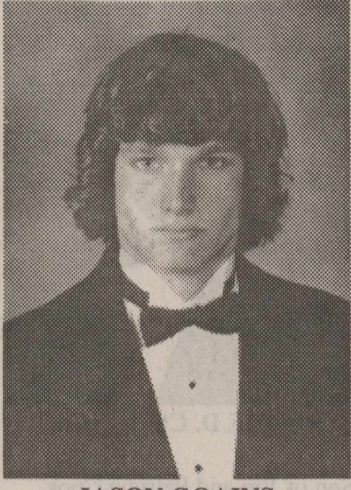
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**STEPHANIE KAY
EDINGTON**

Daughter of Howard and Debbie Edington
Extracurricular Activities: Basketball 4 years; Track 2 years; FFA 4 years; Key Club 3 years; Pals 1 year; Cheerleading 3 years; NHS 2 years
Awards and Honors:
Freshman Year: Participated in basketball, cross county, and track; FFA, member and Greenhand Vice President; Participated on Junior Quiz Team won 3rd in District; 9th place Hampshire pig at Callahan Co. Stock Show; **Sophomore Year:** Participated in Cheerleading and track; Defensive player of the year in Basketball; 20th place at District in Cross Country; FFA, 10th place Hampshire at Callahan Co. Stock Show; Member of Key Club International; Participated in Helping Hearts and Hands-Fixed anything that needed repaired - 5 hours; Class Favorite; Cutest Couple; **Junior Year:** Participated in cheerleading and track; Honorable Mention in Basketball; 17th place at District in Cross Country; FFA, 10th place Hampshire at Callahan Co. Stock Show; Member of Key Club International; Participated in helping Hearts and Hands-picked up trash, painted, fixed anything that needed repaired-5 hours; Member of National Honor Society; Member of Fellowship of Christian Athletes; Helped Fellowship of Christian Athletes with the dunking booth at the Barbarian Festival; Homecoming Queen 2003; 1st Runner Up Most Beautiful; **Senior Year:** Participated in cross country; Basketball-2nd Team All-District; Cheerleading-Head Cheerleader; Member of FFA; Member of Key Club International; Key Club Treasurer; Participated in Helping Heart and hands-painted, reconstructed bathroom-5 hours; Member of Fellowship of Christian Athletes; FCA Treasurer; Member of National Honor Society; Class Treasurer; Most Beautiful; Ms. CPHS
Future Plans: I plan to attend Cisco Jr. College in Abilene and transfer to Midwestern University and become a dental hygienist.



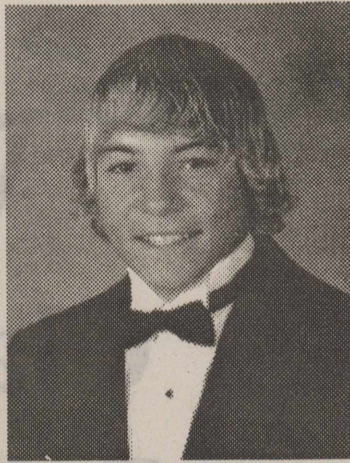
JASON GOAINS

Son of Kimberly Carter and Jason Goains
Extracurricular Activities: Basketball 4 years; Football 3 years; Track 3 years; Cross Country 1 year
Awards and Honors: Biggest Clown; Second Runner up Most Handsome; Second Runner up CPHS; MVP Basketball 2 years; 1st Team All-District; MVP Football, All-District; Regional Finalist Sprint Relay; Regional Finalist 800 Meter Relay; Regional Finalist Mile Relay
Future Plans: Undecided



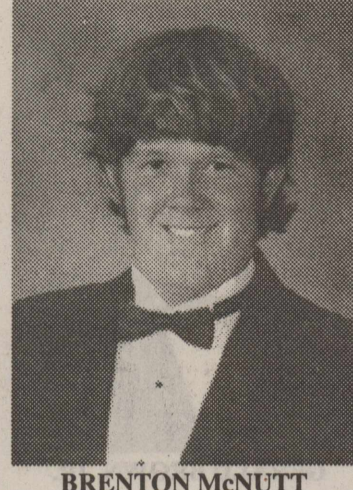
LORI JOHNSON HAIL

Daughter of Dianne and Curtis Stahnke; David and Beth Hail
Extracurricular Activities: Band 2 1/2 years; OAP 3 years; FHA 2 years; PALS 2 years; NHS 3 years
Awards and Honors: Junior year (2003-2004) Class Secretary; OAP Honorable Mention All Star Cast Soph, Junior and Senior years; Personality Senior year voted "Most Unique" and "Biggest Clown"; Voted Who's Who all four years
Future Plans: I plan to attend Abilene Christian University this fall to major in Toxicology, and will go on to medical school to become a Forensic Pathologist.



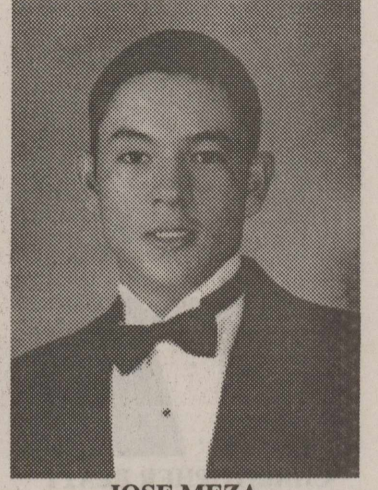
BRANDON HORTON

Son of Tammy Ford
Extracurricular Activities: Basketball 3 years; Football 4 years; Golf 1 year; Track 3 years; FFA 4 years; Key Club 3 years; NHS 3 years
Awards and Honors: Class Vice President; Who's Who; 1st All-State Academic Football Team
Future Plans: I am enrolled in Dept. of Civil Engineering at Texas Tech University.



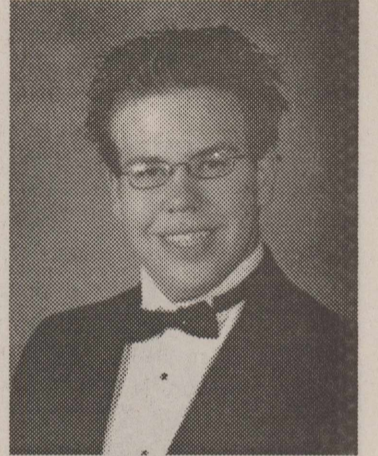
BRENTON McNUTT

Son of Lurene McNutt and Jimmy McNutt
Extracurricular Activities: Football 4 year; FFA 4 years; FHA 1 year
Awards and Honors: 2003 Offensive Player of the Week; 2003 Defensive Player of the Week; 2003 All-District Center; 2004 All-District Center; AG Skills Team-1 year; AG Livestock Judging-1 year; Callahan Co. Jr. Livestock Show-2 years; Fellowship of Christian Athletes-2 years; 2004 "Most Spirited"; Vocational AG Work-Based Placement Program-1 year; Chapter Farmer Degree
Future Plans: I plan to attend Cisco Junior College in Cisco and later transfer to Tarleton State University, in Stephenville to earn a degree in Range and Wildlife Management.



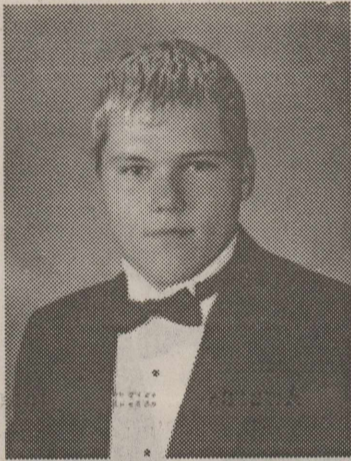
JOSE MEZA

Son of Gregoria and Vicenta Meza
Future Plans: I plan to attend a technical school.



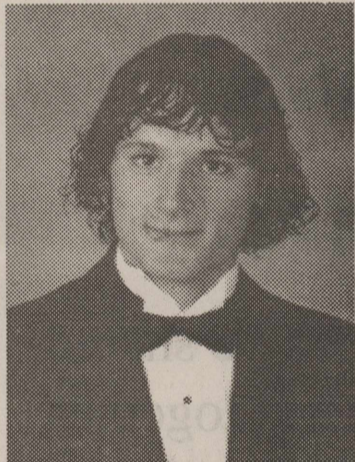
**JOSHLIN JAMES OWEN
NELSON**

Son of Brenda Weiss
Awards and Honors: Voted "Most Unique" 2005; National Honor Roll 2005; Who's Who 2005
Future Plans: I would like to either work with computers or become a writer.



MICHAEL GREGORY

Son of Kim and Robert Simons
Extracurricular Activities: Football 4 years and Track 2 years
Awards and Honors: Awards in football for participating
Future Plans: Undecided



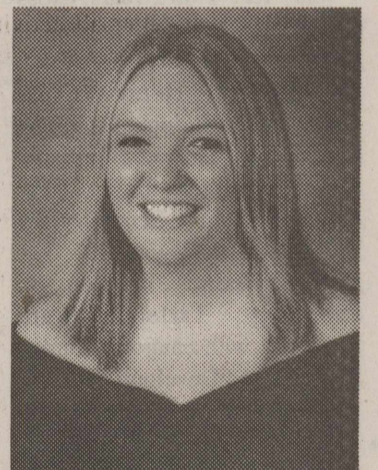
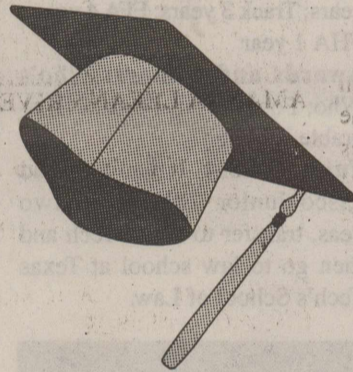
DEREK WILLIAM HAMLIN

Son of Brent and Sheila Hamlin
Extracurricular Activities: Football 2 years; Track 1 year; Cross Country 1 year
Future Plans: I plan to go into the Navy.



JERA JAMES

Daughter of Gay and Rodney Free
Extracurricular Activities: FFA 1 year
Future Plans: I plan to travel.



KALI LARISSA PHILLIPS

Daughter of Allen and Janice Phillips
Extracurricular Activities: Basketball 3 years; OAP 1 year; FFA 4 years; Key Club 1 year; Cross Country 3 years
Awards and Honors: Lone Star Degree, Quiz Team Awards, 6th place team in Area IV Dairy Cattle Judging and numerous other Dairy Cattle Judging awards.
Future Plans: I plan to attend TSTC and obtain an associate degree in business.

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Kali

We are so proud of you and all that you have accomplished.
May God bless you in all that you do.
Put your future in good hands - God's hands.

We Love You, Dad, Mom, Krista, Logan and Grandma

Josh

Congratulations! I'm so proud of the person you are, a friend is someone who remembers your song and sings it to you when you have forgotten it. You are A Friend to all.

We Love You, Mom, Jon and Connie

Stephanie

Congratulations!
We're so proud of you.

We Love You, Dad, Mom, Doc and Lynda, Zach and Mandi

Brandon

We are all very proud of you.
May God bless you always and may you always feel the love and closeness we all share.
Congratulations and good luck.

We Love You, Mom, Maci, Cody, Grandma and Family

Brenton

Our hearts are bursting with pride and gratitude to God for the gift that you are. Wherever your future takes you, know that our love goes with you.

GIT-R-DONE, Brenton!

Love, Mom, Byron and Dad, Roger, Michelle and Hunter

Bubba

What a ride these last 4 years have been.
You have made us all so proud. Thanks for all the great memories and may the rest of the years to come be the best.

We all love you, Mom, Chas, Tiff, NaNa, PaPa, Katie Bug

Michael

We are so very proud of you. You did it!! We hope you get everything you want out of life, you deserve it!
We are happy to be a part of your life!

We Love You,
Chris, Liz, Beth, Bubba, Taylor, Chelsea, Kristin and Baylee Jo

LORI HAIL

Precious One! God bless your future!

Love You, Gran, Grandad, Mama, Curtis
Alisa, Brice, Kenya, & Trevor

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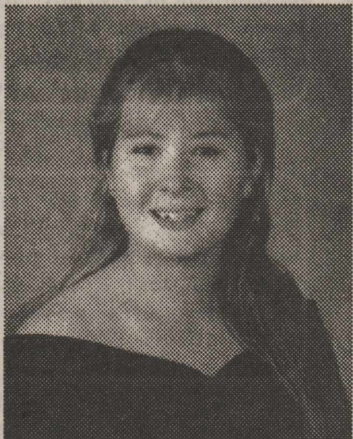
KELSEE D'NEA RICHARDS

Daughter of Monty and Melissa Richards
Extracurricular Activities: Basketball 4 years; Football Manager 3 years; Tennis 4 years; Track 4 years; FFA 4 years; FHA 3 years; Key Club 2 years; PALS 1 year; Cross Country 4 years
Awards and Honors: 2nd Runner up Miss CPHS; 2nd Runner-up Most Beautiful; Most Athletic Girl (Soph. & Sr. year); Prom Queen 2005; Football Sweetheart nominee (Soph., Jr., & Sr. year); Most Spirited; A and AB honor roll for two years 2001-2003; Principal's honor roll for two years 2003-2005; Who's Who Among American Students 2003; United States Marine Corp Distinguished Athlete Award 2004; Participated in Fellowship of Christian Athletes 2 years; Participated 3 years in Family, Career and Community Leaders of America (FCLCA); Participated/Interacted 1 year with 1st Graders giving Accelerated Reader tests and allowing them to read to me; **Community Services:** Barbarian Festival-picked up trash for the past 2 years after all activities were completed; Helping Hearts and Hands-helped remodel and make wheel chair accessible for the past 2 years; Community Clean Up for Homecoming-painted benches down main street and cleaned windows; Church-assisted in nursery, fundraisers, car washes, bake sales, youth camp, and ski trips; **Basketball:** Newcomer of the year-2001 (Freshman); First Team All-District-2002 (Soph); First Team All-District and School MVP-2003 (Jr.); Defensive MVP and All Regional-2004 (Sr.); **Track:** Regional Qualifier-Shot Put-2002 (Freshman); Regional Second Runner up-Shot Put and Regional Qualifier-Discus-2003 (Soph); Regional Second Runner up-Shot Put, Regional Third Runner up-Discus and School MVP-2004 (Jr.); Track Scholarship from South Plains College
Future Plans: I am attending South Plains College at Levelland in the Fall, working towards a nursing degree.



LIANA ELIZABETH RICKENBACKER

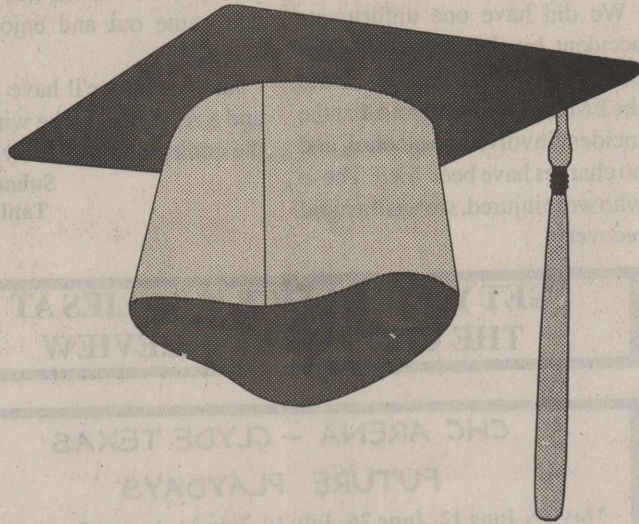
Daughter of Floyd and-Nancy McGough
Extracurricular Activities: FFA 2 years; Cheerleading 1 year
Awards and Honors: Radio Team-4th TSU; Parliamentary Procedure-3rd District; Honorable Mention, Softball (Jr. year)
Future Plans: I plan to attend college for the required amount of years to receive my Equine Science degree as well as my large animal veterinary degree.



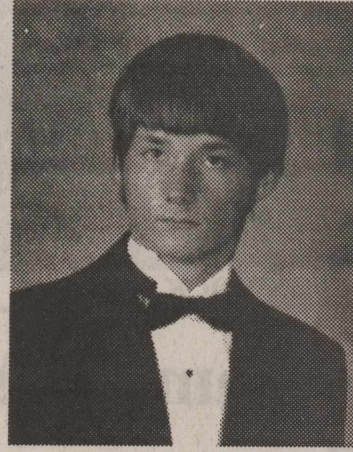
AMANDA LEEANN RIVERS

Daughter of Dedra Stepp and Bruce Rivers
Extracurricular Activities: FFA 2 years
Future Plans: I plan to attend CJC in Cosmetology.

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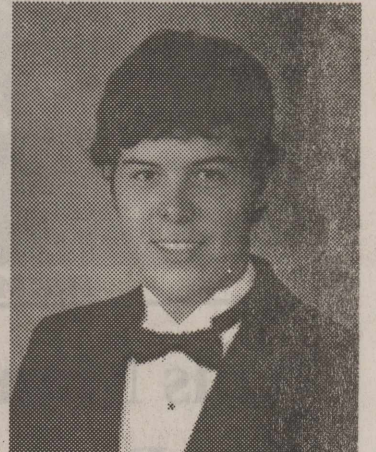


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Friday evening
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Two thousand and five
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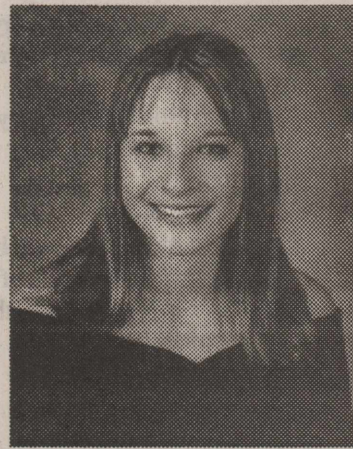
EDDIE L. ROSE

Son of Eddie and Anita Rose
Extracurricular Activities: Basketball 3 years; Football 4 years
Future Plans: I plan to go into the military.



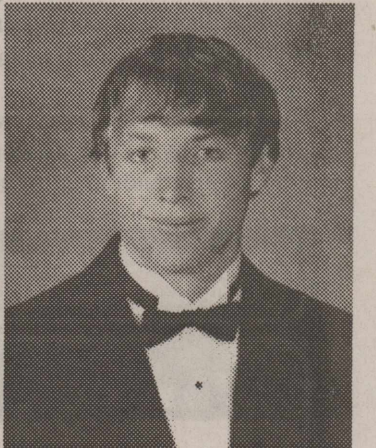
JEREMY RYAN TORRES

Son of Butch and Sidney Pharr
Extracurricular Activities: Baseball 1 year; Football 1 year; FFA 2 years
Awards and Honors: Swine Production Award, 2004; Grand Champion Steer Callahan Co. Stock Show, 2005; Livestock Judging Team, 2004-2005; FFA Sentinel, 2005
Future Plans: I plan to graduate from college and to manage my own ranching operation.



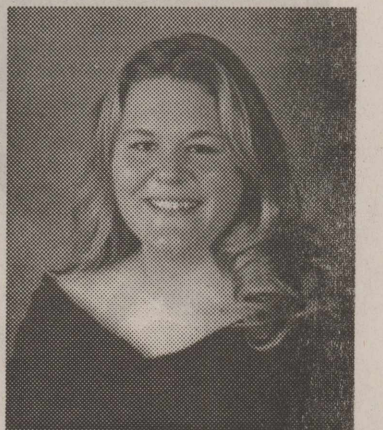
KAREN ROSS

Daughter of Charlie and Beverly Ross
Extracurricular Activities: Basketball 1 year; Golf 3 years; Track 1 year; FFA 4 years; FHA 1 year; Key Club 3 years; PALS 1 year; Cross Country 1 year; Cheerleading 3 years; NHS 2 years
Awards and Honors: Senior Class President; Senior Class Favorite; Most Friendly; Most Dependable; Most Likely to Succeed; 1st Runner Up Miss CPHS; 1st Runner Up Most Beautiful; Football Sweetheart, 2004-2005; Junior Class Vice President; Freshman Class President; and Texas Celebration of Academic Excellence Honoree
Future Plans: I plan to attend Texas Tech University with a major in English and a minor in Education and become a high school English teacher.



CORY HEATH WALKER

Son of Mike and Tonja Walker
Extracurricular Activities: Football 4 years; FFA 4 years; Key Club 2 years
Awards and Honors: All-District Football (Jr.); Honorable Mention Football (Sr.); 2nd Team All-District for Offense in Football (Jr.)
Future Plans: I plan to graduate high school and go into Ag studies.



NATASHIA WOLFORD

Daughter of Tom and Tammy Wolford
Extracurricular Activities: FFA 4 years; PALS 2 years
Awards and Honors: Jr. Class President; Sophomore Class Vice President; Freshman and Jr. Class Favorite; FFA Treasurer (Jr.)
Future Plans: I plan to move to Abilene and attend CJC.

NO PICTURE AVAILABLE

ROSS SIFUENTES

Son of Duke and Marilou Chastain
Extracurricular Activities: Football 3 years; Track 1 year
Future Plans: I plan to attend CJC and major in Spanish.

Jeremy Ryan Torres

We are so blessed to have you and so proud of all you have accomplished — Strive for excellence and walk with your God and life will be good!
We Love You, Daddy Butch and NaNa

Ross

Congratulations you did it! We are so proud of you. May God always help you in the decisions you make in life.
We Love You,
Mom, Dad, Raymond, Sara, Armando, Mamo, Granni, and Papa

Karen

Congratulations on all of your honors and achievements!
We pray God's blessing on your life always.
We love you and are so proud of you, Dad, Mom, and James

Congratulations Girlfriend (Kelsee)

We are proud of you.

Love, Mom, Dad, Jared, Renee and Coby

Congratulations, Liana

We know that it seems to you that school has taken forever, but for us the time has been short. The rest of your life will not always be easy, but look upon it as a great adventure. You have been the star by which we have guided our lives. We love you and are very proud of you.

Love, Grandma and Papa

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Cross Plains Roping Club Weekend Events A BIG SUCCESS!!!

Thank you everyone. While trying to figure a way to start this article, I kept thinking of our sponsors and their generosity; Rickey Walker and the PSBR and their willingness to work with us; Jim Sadler and his great music...so many people helped to make last weekend a success.

I'm even going to go as far as thanking the bulls for giving us one heck of a show. And we thank the Good Lord for keeping all the riders safe.

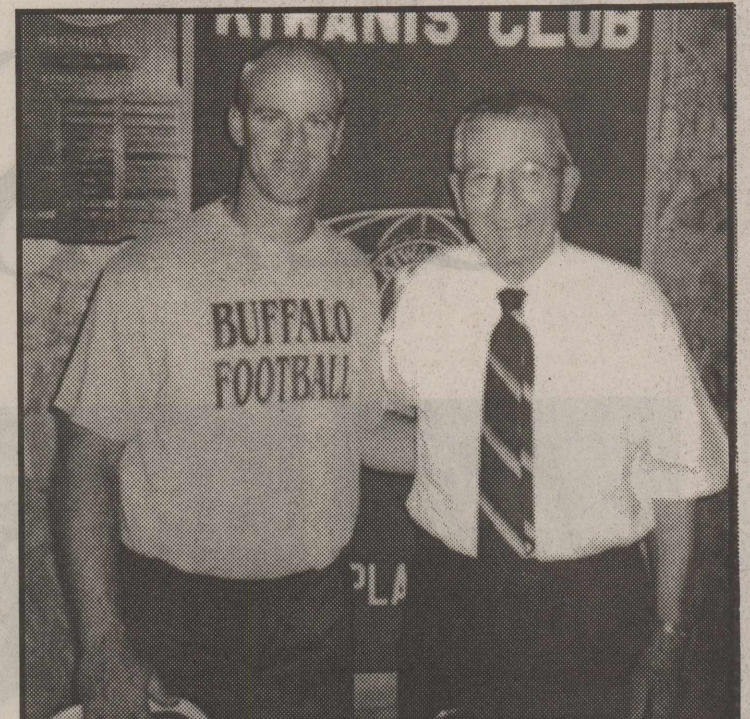
We did have one unfortunate accident by the main gate. The police responded quickly, as did the EMS. We've been told that the incident involved no alcohol, and no charges have been filed. Those who were injured, we wish a rapid recovery.

Our condolences to the Harris family. Terry Harris was a big part of the Roping Club for many years. Even when he no longer was a member, he supported us, and had the bathrooms sprayed for bugs before each and every event. He always asked me how things were going with the club, and told me to hang in there. I have, and we're growing again. He will be missed.

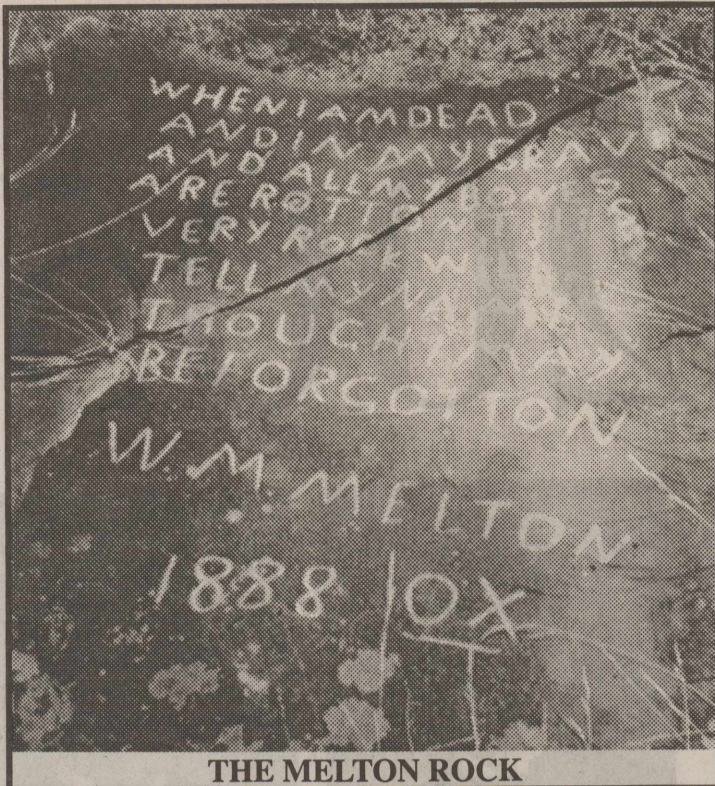
A great big "thank you" to all of you who braved the hot weather and came out and enjoyed the show.

Next week, we'll have pictures and a rundown on the winners of the cook off and the bull riding.

Submitted by Tani Pointer



TUESDAY, MAY 17TH KIWANIS CLUB MEETING—Coach Hagler (left) was the guest of Ike Neal (right). Coach Hagler spoke about the recent track and field events and the improved football season for next year. Everyone is welcome to meet with the Kiwanis each Tuesday at Jean's Feed Barn.



THE MELTON ROCK

This Man's Name Has Not Been Forgotten

By Vanda Anderson Editor

year of 1888, when he was a ranch hand on the OX Ranch near Graham.

The "Melton Rock" is located at a ranch near Anirene, Texas and this is the complete message:

When I am dead and in my grave and all my bones are rotten.

This very Rock will tell my name though I may be forgotten.

W.M. Melton 1888 OX

Isn't it bizarre that the rock has truly preserved his memory after 117 years. Mr. Melton was able to accomplish exactly what he intended.

Tom Melton sent me this photo that tells an interesting story. This rock was discovered under an old mesquite tree by a surveyor who was surveying a ranch in 2004.

Motivated by the discovery, he mentioned the Melton name inscribed on the rock to some local. They knew Cleo Wolf Melton, Tom's cousin who lived at Graham, and told him about the finding. Cleo checked it out and made photos.

As it turns out, the "Rock" was inscribed by Tom Melton's great-great-grandfather in the

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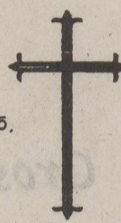
For additional info Contact :Jennifer Summers 829-1669

CHC ARENA is located on County Rd. 112 Take exit 299

off I-20 and go North on CR 112. We are the first

bdg. on the west side of the road. Look for the red roof

You are welcome to join us Sunday Mornings for Worship @ 10:30 a.m.



Barb's Cues

By Barbara Holmes Worcester

WHAT REAL LOVE IS ALL ABOUT

It was a busy morning, approximately 8:30 am, when an elderly gentleman, in his 80's, arrived to have stitches removed from his thumb. He stated that he was in a hurry as he had an appointment at 9:00 am. I took his vital signs and had him take a seat, knowing it would be over an hour before someone would be able to see him. I saw him looking at his watch and decided, since I was not busy with another patient, I would evaluate his wound. On exam it was well healed, so I talked to one of the doctors, got the supplies to remove his sutures and redress his wound. While taking care of his wound, we began to engage in conversation. I asked him if he had a doctor's appointment this morning, as he was in such a hurry. The gentleman told me no, that he needed to go to the nursing home to eat breakfast with his wife. I then inquired as to her health. He told me that she had been there for a while and that she was a victim of

Alzheimer Disease. As we talked, and I finished dressing his wound, I asked if she would be worried if he was a bit late. He replied that she no longer knew who he was, that she had not recognized him in five years now. I was surprised, and asked him "And you still go every morning, even though she doesn't know who you are?" He smiled as he patted my hand and said, "She doesn't know me, but I still know who she is". I had to hold back tears as he left, I had goose bumps on my arm and thought, "That is the kind of love I want in my life." True love is neither physical, nor romantic. True love is an acceptance of all that is, has been, will be, and will not be. With all the jokes and fun that are in e-mails, sometimes there are some that come along that have an important message, and this is one of those kind. Just had to share it with you. "The happiest of people don't necessarily have the best of everything; they just make the best of everything that comes along their way." Jim Willyerd

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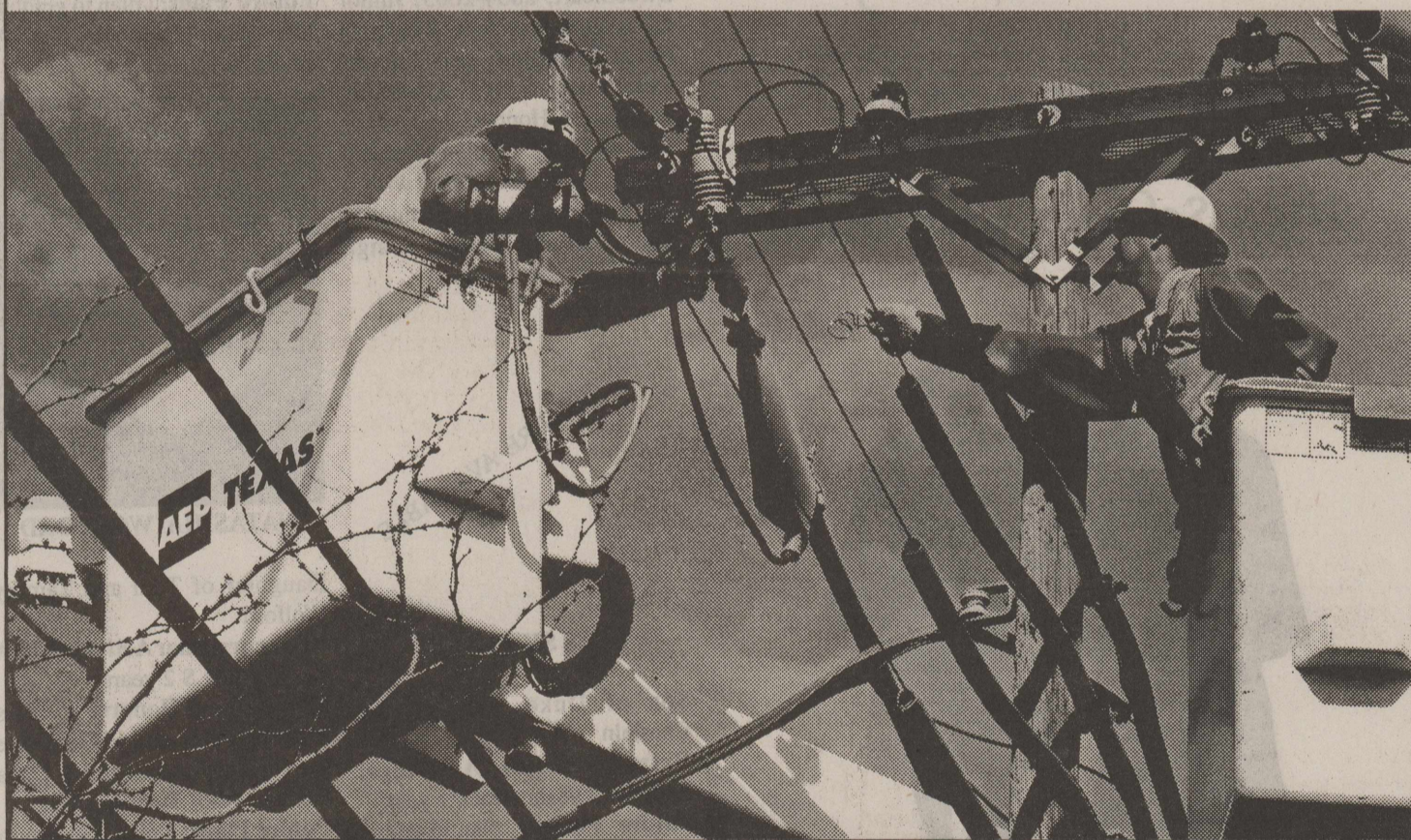
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Pre-register price of entry fee is \$5.00 and the day of the game it is \$7.50. Prizes will be awarded.

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CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

January 4, 2005

This was a regular meeting of the Cross Plains City Council. All members of the council were present. Minutes of the previous meeting were approved as read.

Don Gosnell gave the monthly police report. He reported 64 calls for service, six criminal mischiefs, 3 warrants served, 2 prowlers, 3 disorderly conducts, 3 school truancies, 1 family disturbance, 1 public intoxication, 1 gunshot death, 1 assault, 1 rape suspect arrested, 1 terroristic threat, 1 telephone harassment, 4 accidents, with 25 warnings and 33 citations. By general consent the council approved the report as presented.

Bob Hill presented the monthly Judge's report. He reported 33 citations for December with 8 remaining outstanding for October. He reported that Debbie sent out 7 failure to appear letters. Collections for December were \$6,506.00. By general consent the council approved the report as presented.

Julene Franke met with the council to ask permission to try to collect enough donations to put the mural back on the north side of the Senior Citizens' Center. She advised the council she would like for them to go ahead and remove the damaged mural from the building and to patch and paint areas in need or repair. She stated that when the new mural was painted it would be painted on the building. James Nichols moved to allow her request. Terry Lichty seconded and motion carried.

Era Lee Hanke met with the council to discuss the paving at the Robert E. Howard House. She advised the council that the EDC Board had approved a \$1,000 paving expenditure for this expense to Project Pride. She asked the council to consider allowing Project Pride to keep this money due to the rise in electrical cost and other items expended by Project Pride. Pending approval

from the Economic Development Board, motion was made by Jerry Cassle and seconded by Gene Dillard to allow Project Pride to keep the \$1,000 to use toward payment of electricity for holiday yard art and repair of the furnace at the Howard House.

Gene Dillard moved to pay the bills. Edwin Weiss seconded and motion carried.

Discussion was held at length concerning the 2005/2006 budget. It was discussed that a new expenditure would need to be added for cleanup. It was also discussed that the cost fuel and electrical costs has also increased. Debbie is to begin calculating cost for the new budget for the next regular meeting.

Edwin Weiss moved to adjourn. Jerry Cassle seconded and motion carried.

Ray Purvis, Mayor
ATTEST:
Debbie Gosnell, Secretary

February 1, 2005

This was regular meeting of the Cross Plains City Council. All members of the council were present. Minutes of the previous meeting were approved as read.

Don Gosnell gave the monthly police report. He reported 83 calls for service, 4 criminal mischiefs, 4 warrants served, 2 prowlers, 1 DWI, 2 MIP's, 1 unattended death, 1 assault, 3 terroristic threats, 3 telephone harassments, 2 harassments, 2 accidents, 1 forgery, 2 burglaries, 3 business alarms, 2 trespassing, 48 warnings and 68 citations. By general consent the council approved the report as presented.

Debbie Gosnell presented the monthly Judge's report. She reported 68 citations for January with 38 remaining outstanding. There were two citations for December and 6 remain outstanding for November. He reported sending out 5 failure to appear letters. Collections for

January were \$6,506.00. By general consent the council approved the report as presented.

Bob Harrell, Fire Chief, met with the council. He informed the council that the fire department has elected officers for the new year and the officers are as follows: Bob Harrell/Chief, Rickey Carouth/Assistant Chief, Stuart Sowell/Truck Captain, Gerald Brown/Rural Fire Chief, Dee Harrell/Secretary-Treasurer.

Jerry Cassle moved to amend the budget in the amount of \$6,500.00 to cover the cost of purchasing topping rock from Vulcan Material due to the fact that they are selling the rock at a reduced rate during the month of February at the cost of \$3.50 per ton. Gene Dillard seconded and motion carried.

The council discussed the heating unit at the Senior Citizens' Center. By general consent the council agreed to have Allen Barnett give an estimate on changing out the unit.

Edwin Weiss moved to hold the Council Election on May 7, 2005. Terry Lichty seconded and motion carried.

Jerry Cassle moved to pay the bills. Edwin Weiss seconded and motion carried.

Gene Dillard moved to go into executive session to discuss the Judge's duties and responsibilities at 7:05 p.m. Edwin Weiss seconded and motion carried. Discussion was held at length. James Nichols moved to return to open meeting at 7:20 p.m. Weiss seconded and motion carried.

Discussion was held at length concerning the 2005/2006 budget. Debbie is to look into other insurance possibilities, as well as calculate what is needed to meet the new budget.

Weiss moved to adjourn. Cassle seconded and motion carried.

Ray Purvis, Mayor
ATTEST:
Debbie Gosnell, Secretary

City Council Passes Ordinance #2001-001 to Improve the Appearance of Community

The City Council of Cross Plains passed ordinance #2001-001 which declares certain conditions to be a nuisance and also prohibits allowing or creating a nuisance within the city limits of Cross Plains.

Articles II Weeds, etc.
Section 9, Maximum Growth State the following:

(a) It shall be unlawful for any person, firm, corporation, partnership, association of persons, owner, agent, occupant or anyone having supervision or control of any lot, tract, parcel of land or portion thereof, occupied or unoccupied, improved or unimproved, within the corporate limits of the city to suffer or permit grass, weeds or brush that is uncultivated to grow to a height greater than twelve (12) inches on any lot, tract or parcel of land within the corporate limits of the city, five (5) acres in size or less. If property owners fail to abide

by the above, the city may enter upon the property found in violation of this article and mow or have said property mowed at thirty day intervals during such annual growing season, in the event such owner fails to mow same.

Expenses incident to the action taken by the city to correct any condition coming under the provisions of this article, which includes a service charge of fifty (\$50.00) dollars to cover administrative costs shall be assessed against the owners of all outstanding interests in the lot or parcel of land involved. An itemized bill of such costs shall be mailed by the city secretary to each such owner if his address is known.

If the bill for the city's expense in correcting any condition coming under the provisions of this article, including the administra-

tive and penalty charges, shall remain unpaid for a period of thirty (30) days after the date of the mailing of such bill, the city secretary shall file a statement of such bill and the reasons thereof with the county clerk. From the date of such filings, the city shall have lien on the lot or parcel upon which such expenses are incurred, second only to tax liens and liens for street improvements.

The ordinance also states that the city may give annual notice to all property owners one time in a local newspaper of general circulation, and that no further notice shall be required. Therefore, the city respectfully requests that property owners abide by the ordinance and avoid the city taking action and placing liens against their property.

Respectfully,
Mayor and City Council.

Scranton Exes Homecoming is Sunday, June 5, at the Scranton Community Center

The Scranton Exes Homecoming will be held Sunday, June 5, 2005 at the Scranton Community Center.

Registration begins at 9:00 a.m. and Jimmy and Jerry Blackwell will provide entertainment at 9:30 a.m. A business meeting will be held at 10:15 a.m. with speakers and singing to follow. Please bring an entire, vegetable, salad or dessert to share for the noon potluck meal. Visitation will continue into the afternoon so bring school annuals and mementos to share your memories. The Scranton Exes encourage you to wear our school colors of green and gold. This year represents the forty-first year since the closing of the school in 1964. Former teachers, students, and supporters of the Scranton schools and community are invited to attend.

Plan to come early to attend the Scranton Musical which is held on Saturday night, June 4, 2005. This is the largest fundraising event for the Scranton Community Center which provides the location for the homecoming each year. This year the menu will be BBQ brisket and all the trimmings for \$7.00 per plate and in addition, homemade desserts will also be on sale. Come early to enjoy the meal and entertainment and to help support the Scranton Community Center.

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Belle Plaine Cemetery meeting, fly over is Monday

The Belle Plaine Cemetery Association will hold its annual business meeting on Memorial Day, Monday, May 30th. Arrive by 10:30 a.m. to ensure convenient parking.

Belle Plaine Cemetery is located 8 miles south of Baird. Take Highway 283 to County Road 470 and turn east. Turn north at County Road 473 (first dirt road) and then east into cemetery entrance.

The ceremony will begin at 11:00 a.m. with the traditional fly over by the Big Country Squadron of the CAF based at Elmdale Airpark. The Dyess Air Force Base Color Guard will as-

sist in the flag raising ceremonies.

Charles Anderson, retired Snyder teacher, principal and author is our guest speaker this year. His topic is on the importance of honoring Memorial Day.

A potluck dinner will follow the business meeting. Everyone should bring a covered dish to compliment the meat and drinks provided by the Association.

Please mark down May 30 on your calendar. This meeting/ceremony is open to the public. The Belle Plaine Cemetery Association looks forward to seeing you!

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Free credit reports begins June 1

Beginning June 1, 2005 Texans have a new tool to fight the growing problem of credit identity theft. The FACT Act allows one free credit report per year from each of the big three credit reporting bureaus, Experian, Equifax and Trans Union.

You can order your free credit report on-line at www.annualcreditreport.com. The secure website it maintained by the big three credit reporting bureaus, or you can call 877-322-8228.

According to the Federal Trade Commission, some 27.3 million Americans were victims of identity theft in the last five years,

including 9.9 million people in 2002, at a cost to businesses and consumers of more than \$55 million. Clearing up the damage done by identity thieves can take months of frustrating calls to credit bureaus and merchants. Now there is a new law in place - The Fair and Accurate Credit Transaction Act of 2003 - that is expected to give some added protection against identity theft and ensure that all citizens are treated fairly when they apply for a mortgage or other form of credit.

The law provides consumers, companies, regulators and credit reporting agencies with new tools

that expand access to credit and other financial services, enhance the accuracy of consumers' financial information, and are expected to help fight identity theft. The new legislation will:

- Give consumers the right to obtain their credit report free of charge every year. Consumers will be able to review a free report every year for unauthorized activity, including activity that might be the result of identity theft.

- Guarantee access to the credit score used to evaluate and price and mortgage applications

- Require merchants to leave all but the last five digits of a credit card number off store receipts, to help prevent identity theft. This law will make sure that slips of paper that most people trash does not contain their credit card number, a key to their financial identities.

- Create a national system of fraud detection to make identity thieves more likely to be caught. Previously, victims would have to make phone calls to all of their credit card companies and three major credit-reporting agencies (Equifax, Experian and Trans Union) to alert them to the crime. Now consumers will have the power to place fraud alerts on their credit files if they suspect that fraud has occurred. Those alerts, in turn, will instruct banks and other creditors not to open new accounts or extend additional credit to anyone without contacting the consumer first.

- Require lenders and credit agencies to take action before a victim even knows a crime has occurred. With oversight by bank regulators, the credit agencies will draw up a set of guidelines to identify patterns common to identity theft, and develop methods to stop identity theft before it can cause major damage.

- Give consumers the option, with some exceptions, to opt out of receiving marketing calls or mail from companies they do business with.

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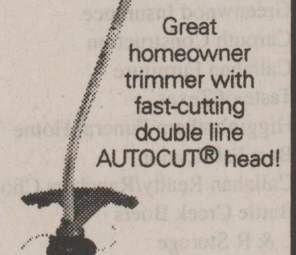
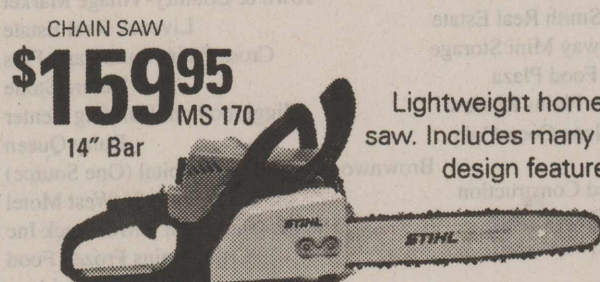
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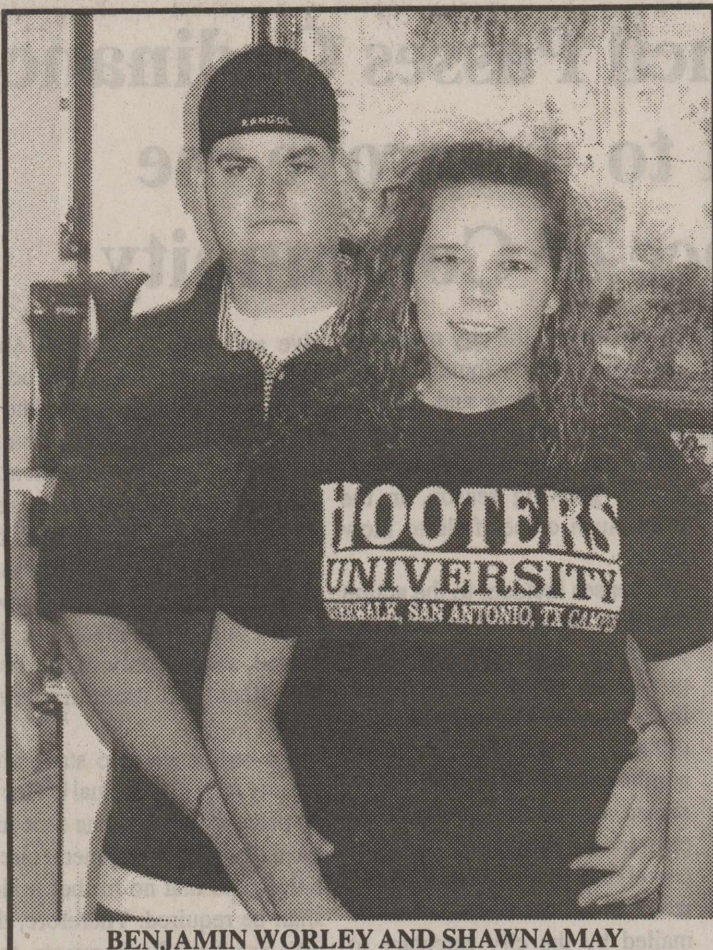
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The ceremony will take place

Saturday, June 11, 2005 at the First Baptist Church in Cross Plains at 3:00 p.m.

All friends and relatives are invited to celebrate this special occasion.

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A community-wide parade will be held Friday, June 4th at 6:00 p.m. as we march through our neighborhoods and end at First Baptist Church for free snow cones. Enrollment for classes will follow at 7:00 p.m. Classes will

also be available each night for 7th through 12th grade students.

A family celebration night will take place on Thursday night. This will include a hot dog supper and a RV camp site setup with games to play.

Pre-registration is taking place now and can be done by calling First Baptist Church office at 254-725-7629. (Remember grandparents, we would love to have your visiting grandchildren join, so call ahead and get them registered if you can.)

Come join us for worship, crafts, music for the road, recreation and much more! We look forward to seeing you there!

Submitted by Roxie Thomas

"Support Groups for Women"

Are you facing daily battles within your family or your personal life? Many of us find ourselves in that exact situation — facing battles or struggles. One ideal means of coping, in many of these situations, is to simply have someone to talk to and gather ideas or thoughts from. "Support Groups for Women" is simply a time to come together, vent and gather ideas on how to cope with, and overcome, your own battles.

These support groups are open to anyone in the community. We hope to see you there.

The support groups currently being offered are as follows:

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to the plate" can eliminate all of these problems. Classes can be arranged to train volunteers to serve as Emergency Care Attendants or Emergency Medical Technicians. If you want to help the present and the future of the Cross Plains Volunteer Ambulance Service, hence the present and future of Cross Plains and the surrounding area, please let it be known that you are willing to be trained to serve as an attendant. Call the EMS number, 725-4350, and leave a message, or call John Swift (725-6443/6116) or Susan Schaefer (725-7140/6746).

Submitted by Bob Pipes

Cancer Survivors

June 14th, 7pm, First Baptist Church, Old Fellowship Hall Facilitator-Kathy Purvis (Please note that after June 14th, this class will meet the second Thursday of each month.)

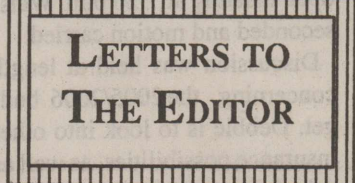
Rebellious Teens

Second and fourth Tuesday of each month, 7pm, First Baptist Church, New Fellowship Hall Facilitator-Mary Dunn

Grandparents Raising Grandkids

Fourth Tuesday of each month, 7pm, First Baptist Church, Old Fellowship Hall

Facilitator-Helen Parsons



LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Dear Editor:

This is a personal notice to homeowners, if you received a notable increase in your taxes this year, please file a complaint at the Callahan Courthouse in Baird.

Gerald Schwengel Cross Plains

Dear Editor:

Remember the "Sincerely Elvis" Show will be presented this Friday at 7:00 p.m. at the Cross Plains Community Center in conjunction with the annual Foster Reunion.

The extravaganza show will be at 7:00 p.m. Saturday. Both performances will feature familiar Elvis hits from the good old days.

For tickets call Ileen (Foster) Smith at (254) 725-7433. There are a few special front seats for "true" Elvis fans. Call for your reservations NOW!!!!

Classmates, family and friends will be meeting at the American Legion Hall between 4 and 6:30 on Saturday to fellowship prior to the show. Come join the fun and help make our "special guest" welcome to Cross Plains.

Bugs Foster

Atwell Cemetery Association Meeting to take place Sunday, May 29th

The Atwell Cemetery Association meeting will be held Sunday, May 29, 2005 beginning at 10:30am at the Atwell shelter. The program committee for this year is Nona Belote, James Foster and Beverly Ross.

All who attend are asked to bring a covered dish or dishes of meat, vegetables, salads or desserts. The bread, tea, and ice will be furnished. The food for lunch will be spread together.

Submitted by Barbara Black

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Pancake-Nickerson Exchange Wedding Vows

Jenny Lee Pancake and Willie Bufford Nickerson III were wed May 7, 2005 at 4:00 in the afternoon.

It was a beautiful outside wedding at the Nickerson's farm

outside Cross Plains.

The couple would like to thank everyone who attended and everyone who helped it go off so nicely.

A SOLDIER'S THOUGHTS

By Jerry P. Biggerstaff, Jr.

And the Walls come tumbling down

We had one heck of a storm night before last. The winds whipped and blew over lots of things. We woke in the morning to find the porta-johns (not what we call 'em) blown over in the middle of the street.

Later on in the day we found out that around a 100 foot section of the wall had been blown over.

This is the boundary between good and bad.

This boundary in most areas is a sturdy structure but in many areas it consists of no more than cinder blocks stacked one on top of the other. No metal and no masonry used to set them in place; just stacked. This is a scary thought. We posted guards on the "hole" and a tank was placed there

as extra fortification.

Wow! I feel safe. I have had dreams of someone knocking on the door late at night and then busting the door in and starting to shoot. I have traded my M4 in for a lighter and smaller 9 MM pistol. I have had thoughts of getting my M4 back and keeping it close at hand at night.

They say that the "bad guys" are afraid of the 9 MM more than that of a rifle. I learned to shoot the 9 MM while here and have become quite the shooter with it. I sure hope that I never have to put my skill to the test. It is fun shooting paper targets but have no urge to shoot anyone. I will, however, defend against anyone who has intentions of doing harm to me, my fellow soldiers or, if found in the situation, friendly Iraqi people. Everyone deserves a chance...

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