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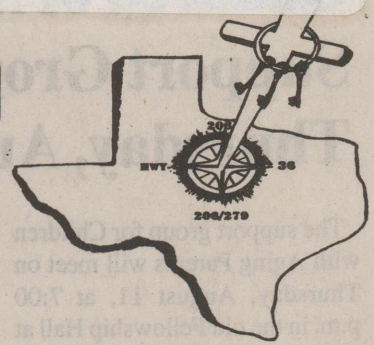
# Cross Plains Review

## "Cross Plains' Oldest Business Institution"

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THURSDAY, August 11, 2005

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**DOWN  
HOME**

**EDITOR'S NOTE:** Linda Slaymaker has provided some great information for this column in the past and once again she has picked a winner. It makes you realize that God uses us in various ways, according to His will. Of course, you MUST BE WILLING to allow Him to use you. You have to make that choice. What could be more fulfilling?

The story also reveals how God takes care of our needs, even though He knows we have many shortcomings. We have to learn to trust Him in all things.

Even the horses in the story captured my attention because they are my favorite animal. I think you will definitely like this story. **Vanda Anderson**

#### "Two Horses in a Field"

Just up the road from my home is a field, with two horses in it. From a distance, each looks like every other horse. But if one stops the car or is walking by, one will notice something quite amazing. Looking into the eyes of one horse will disclose that he is blind. His owner has chosen not to have him put down, but has made a good home for him. This alone is amazing.

Listening, one will hear the sound of a bell. Looking around for the source of the sound, one will see that it comes from the smaller horse in the field. Attached to her bridle is a small bell. It lets her blind friend know where she is, so he can follow her.

As one stands and watches these two friends, one sees how she is always checking on him, and that he will listen for her bell and then slowly walk to where she is, trusting that she will not lead him astray.

Like the owners of these two horses, God does not throw us away just because we are not perfect or because we have problems or challenges. He watches over us and even brings others into our lives to help up when we are in need. Sometimes we are the blind horse being guided by God and those whom He places in our lives. Other times we are the guide horse, helping others see God.

Author Unknown

**Cross Plains Review  
Deadlines**  
Ads Noon on Tuesday  
Articles Noon on Monday

**PICK UP YOUR SCHOOL SUPPLIES**  
Thursday, August 11 3-5 PM

Friday, August 12 3-5 PM

**OPEN HOUSE**

**"Meet The Teacher Night"**

Friday, August 12 5:30-7 PM

Students in Cross Plains Secondary School can pick-up schedules for the coming school year. There will be a table set up in front of the high school office.

**WHEN TO PICK-UP SCHEDULES:**

August 10, 2005 Grades 10-12 9AM-2PM

August 11, 2005 Grades 7-9 9AM-2PM

## C.P.I.S.D. Students Return to Class Monday Morning

Monday, August 15th, local students will begin classes at Cross Plains I.S.D. Class will resume at 8:00 a.m. and dismiss at 3:38 p.m. Buses will run at 3:50 p.m. The school population for 2005-06 is expected to remain stable.

Teachers and homeroom information will be posted in the front hall of the elementary building Monday morning.

Pre-K classes will begin at 8:00 a.m. through 2:00 p.m.

Parking spaces in front of the elementary building will be available for parent's convenience.

A list of teachers, administrators, staff and employees is included on Page 5 inside the newspaper.

All community residents are reminded to observe all safety laws in the school zone and watch for the students.

## Cross Plains EMS NEEDS Your HELP—NOW!!!!!!!

To the Citizens of Cross Plains and Surrounding Community:

We the Personnel of your EMS

is in need of your HELP. We need people to take an ECA course and work as attendees on our ambulance service.

Stop and think what a few hours each month is worth. Is it worth your loved one's life or close friend? Do you realize that if the ambulance was out of service due to not enough help, that one has to be called from Cisco, Clyde or Brownwood. If your family or friends are seriously ill, can they wait that long for help? I know my time is worth helping, what about yours?

The EMS is going to have a **Get-To-Know-Your-EMS** orientation at the Cross Plains Fire and EMS Hall on Thursday, August 25, at 6:30 p.m. Come and learn what we do and how you can help.

**Please help us help you.**

If you would like more information, please call Verna Mathews at (254) 725-7287 or Susan Schaefer at (254) 725-6747.

Thank you for your support.

Cross Plains EMS

## Beta Sigma Phi Announces 2005 Scholarship Winner

Karen Ross of Cross Plains has been awarded the Beta Sigma Phi 2005 Scholarship. Karen plans to attend Texas Tech University in Lubbock this fall. The following is the essay that she submitted:

My name is Karen Ross, and I am a seventeen year old senior at Cross Plains High School. I have attended Cross Plains schools my whole life, where I believe I have matured into a well-rounded individual and citizen. I enjoy many things, including sports and challenging academic organizations. I am also very involved in community service organizations. My favorite organization that I have participated in during high school is the Peer Assistance Leadership program. This mentoring program has been exceptionally influential to me and has even furthered my desire to become an educator. Helping others has always been important to me, which is one of the main reasons I would like to become a teacher. I plan to attend Texas Tech university in the Fall of 2005, where I will major in English and minor in Education. With the English degree that I hope to earn from Texas Tech University, I would like to receive teacher certification and become a high school English teacher. English has always been my strongest subject, and helping others to learn and comprehend continues to be my strongest ability. I am always eager to help fellow student to better understand concepts, especially in their English classes. Instructing and educating others has always seemed important and natural to me, and teaching students in an area, which I have come to appreciate greatly, would be my



KAREN ROSS

ideal career. To me, one of the greatest feelings is the satisfaction I receive from knowing that a pupil or peer better understands a concept because of my instruction. I also enjoy engaging in in-depth discussion to better understand the way others think and identify with works of literature. These are just a few reasons why I have chosen English as my major, and why I have selected teaching as my career goal. Even though the income isn't as large as that of other professions, I believe I will be pleased with the benefits of being a teacher. The most important benefit to me is the

amount of quality time I would be able to spend with my "family", which is also something I am looking forward to in my future.

As I journey through this next chapter of my life, I will need the guidance and assistance of many people and groups. The support I receive from those areas will always be valuable and influential to the accomplishments I make within the next four years. And at the end of my journey, I will be able to look back and remember the benefactors that helped to push me one step closer to my goals.

## Helping Hearts Helping Hands Application for Assistance Extended

The Cross Plains Area Housing Initiative has extended their acceptance of applications for assistance to August 15, 2005.

This local organization utilizes volunteers to help the elderly and low-income residents with much needed repairs to improve their homes.

Types of work that can be accomplished on this one day endeavor are insulation, minor electrical and plumbing, installation of ramps, caulking and painting.

If you feel this organization

could be of assistance to your needs, please fill out an application and turn it into Roxie Thomas at Texas Heritage Bank. Applications are available at Texas Heritage Bank, Higginbotham's, Cross Plains Senior Citizens and Cross Plains City Hall.

The work requested will be actually accomplished in the fall. A date will be set for this soon. Please contact Roxie Thomas at 725-6141 or Pat Stephens at 725-6819 if you have questions.

## Callahan County Commissioners Approve Proposed Tax Rate, Budget

Callahan County Commissioners approved a proposed tax rate and proposed budget during the commissioners' court regular meeting held Monday, August 8 at the County Courthouse in Baird.

County officials are proposing a total tax rate of \$0.40642 per \$100 of property value. The tax rate being proposed is the effective tax rate—the tax rate which will bring into county coffers the same amount of revenue as the previous year. This year's effective tax rate was slightly lower than the previous year due to new home construction and higher oil prices in the county.

On a motion by Judge Roger Corn and second by Commissioner Bryan Farmer, commissioners voted 5-0 to approve the proposed tax rate. The proposed General Tax Rate is \$0.30642 cents per \$100 of property value and the proposed Road and Bridge Tax rate is .1000 cents per \$100 for a total of \$0.40642 cents per \$100 of property value.

Judge Corn made a motion to accept the proposed budget for the 2004-2005 fiscal year. The proposed General Fund Budget is \$2,787,057.58 and the proposed Road & Bridge Fund Budget is \$1,048,164.47. Commissioner Farmer seconded the

motion and it carried by a 5-0 vote.

The proposed tax rate and See Proposed Tax Rate Page 2

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## COMMUNITY SHOWER FOR

*Jimmy and Janice Kelly, of Cross Plains*

*(Lost Their Home and Belongings Monday, July 25th Due To A Fire)*

**Saturday, August 27th**

**6-7:30 PM**

**SELECTIONS AT:**

Higginbothams, Johnson's, Sun Rayz, Taste of Texas, & Tim's Floral

At The Home Of Connie Kirkham 20235 FM 2707, Cross Plains, Texas

## Burn Ban lifted in Callahan County

The Burn Ban in Callahan County has been lifted effective Wednesday, August 10.

Callahan County Judge Roger Corn made the announcement after portions of Callahan County have received over five inches of rainfall the past several days.



## Children of Aging Parents Support Group to Meet Thursday, August 11th

The support group for Children with Aging Parents will meet on Thursday, August 11, at 7:00 p.m. in the old Fellowship Hall at First Baptist Church on Main Street. Kathy Purvis will be leading

this group as they help each other through a difficult time period. If you are experiencing similar situations and would like to join, the group, please feel free to attend.

## Callahan County DPS Report

Calls received by the Callahan County Department of Public Safety from July 31, 2005 through August 6, 2005 include:

Cases Investigated  
Warnings—80  
Complaints—133

DWI—2  
Public Intoxication—1  
Open Container—1

### Vehicle Accidents

There were four vehicle accidents investigated during this time span.

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### Union Center Baptist Church

"Service to God Through Service to Man"

Sunday School 10:00 a.m. Worship Service 11:00 a.m.

Wednesday Bible Study 7:00 p.m.

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

Jerry Eckhart, Pastor (254) 643-1027

### COTTONWOOD BAPTIST CHURCH

Sunday School.....9:45 A.M.

Morning Worship.....11:00 A.M.

Evening Service.....6:00 P.M.

Wednesday Bible Study & Prayer Time.....7:00

Matt McGowen, Pastor (254) 725-4599

Church (254) 725-6266

Friendly Church

Bible Teaching

### ROWDEN BAPTIST CHURCH

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

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

Pastor: Carl Mauldin

Come Worship With Us!

### NIMROD BAPTIST CHURCH

Sunday School.....10:00 A.M.

Sunday Morning Worship.....11:00 A.M.

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

Bill Armstrong - Pastor

## OBITUARIES

Gladys Geraldene Owings  
McLoud

Gladys Geraldene (Jerry) Owings McCloud of Anson, passed away Saturday, July 23, 2005, in Anson.

Graveside services were held on Sunday, July 31, 2005, in Mitchell Cemetery with Bro. Rufus Wilson of Anson officiating.

Jerry was born November 17, 1941 to Shorty and Gladys Owings in Cisco. She married Nathan McCloud in 1965. He preceded her in death in 1986.

Survivors include one daughter, Lou Ellen of Maine; one son, Nathan McCloud, Jr. of Anson; five grandchildren; two brothers, J.R. Owings of Abilene and Don Owings of Anson; sister, Myrtle Melton of Anson; mother-in-law, Lucille Jackson of Rockdale; two sisters-in-law, Louise Porter of Rockdale and Hazel Lee of Cross Plains; several nieces and nephews.

### Joseph David Burchard

Joseph David Burchard, 74, of Clyde, died Wednesday, October 3, 2005, at a local hospital.

Graveside services were held Saturday at 2:00 p.m. at Elmwood Memorial Park in Abilene with Rev. Jay Miller officiating, under the direction of Bailey Funeral Home of Clyde.

Joe was born July 17, 1931 in Van Horn, Texas to Joseph Arthur and Mattie Ruth (Jackson) Burchard. He graduated from Van Horn High School and received his Bachelor's degree from Texas Tech University. He received his Master's degree and Ph.D. from the University of Texas at Austin.

He married Judy Parker Smyth on November 8, 1989 in Cross Plains. He moved to Clyde from San Antonio in 1989. He was the retired Associate Superintendent for the Northeast ISD in San Antonio, retiring in June of 1987. He was a retired commander in the U.S. Navy, having served 42 1/2 years in the Naval Reserve and active duty. He was a 32nd degree Mason, belonging to the Clyde Masonic Lodge #1056 and Moran Masonic Lodge #591. He was a member of the First Baptist Church in Clyde.

Survivors include his wife, Judy of Clyde; two sons, Dr. Mark David Burchard and wife Lisa of Austin and Curtis Randall Burchard and wife Christi of Denver, CO; one daughter, Denise Rene Sandifer and husband Phillip of Austin; one stepdaughter, Amy Villarreal and husband Rafael of Austin; one brother, Bobby Allen Burchard and wife Sammie of Denver City; one sister, La Rue Worley and husband Paul of El Paso; 9 grandchildren, and several nieces and nephews.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to American Cancer Society, 209 S. Danville, Abilene, Texas 79605.

Thora Mae Walker

Thora Mae Walker, 92, of Rising Star, formerly of Cross Plains, passed away Saturday, August 6, 2005, in the Rising Star Nursing Center.

Funeral services were held at 2:00 p.m. Wednesday, August 10, 2005, at the First Baptist Church in Cross Plains with Terry Simmons officiating, assisted by Darren Jones and John Vaughn; burial was in the Brown Ranch Cemetery.

Thora was born on May 20, 1913 to Joel and Willie Beatrice (Haney) Copeland in Saledo, Texas. She was a nurse, as well as a homemaker. She was a member of the First Baptist Church of Cross Plains.

Survivors include two sons, Douglas Ware Walker of Rising Star and Mark Dennis Walker of Cross Plains; a daughter, Martha Will Jones of Abilene; 7 grandchildren, 15 great-grandchildren and 1 great-great-grandchild.

### Proposed Tax Rate

budget for the 2005-2006 fiscal year will be adopted at the August 22, 2005 commissioners' court meeting.

Other agenda items brought before the commissioners' court included:

—The commissioners' court meeting was called to order at 9:33 a.m. by Judge Roger Corn. Present included Commissioners Harold Hicks, Bryan Farmer, Tommy Holland, and Doris Grider. Also present were County Tax Assessor/Collector Tammy Walker, County Sheriff Eddie Curtis, County Attorney Shane Deel, County Treasurer Dianne Alexander and County Clerk Jeanie Bohannon.

—The minutes of the July 29 commissioners' court meeting were approved as presented.

—Mary Rosa with Stovall, Grandey & Allen met with the commissioners' court to discuss the annual independent financial report for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2004. Ms. Rosas noted Callahan County had implemented a new financial reporting model as required by the provisions of the Government Audit Standards Board (GASB 34) and had a good clean audit report. On a motion by Commissioner Farmer and second by Commissioner Grider, commissioners voted 5-0 to approve the independent audit.

—During time set aside for public comments, Judge Corn announced the Burn Ban was still in effect in Callahan County. (The Burn Ban in Callahan County has since been lifted by Judge Corn effective August 10).

—The commissioners' court recessed at 10:15 a.m. to attend a going away reception for DPS Trooper Thompson. The court returned back into open session at 10:45 a.m.

—Commissioner Grider made a motion to pay all the current bills. Commissioner Holland seconded and the motion carried by a 5-0 vote.

—Commissioners voted to adjourn the court meeting at 11:05 a.m. on a motion by Commissioner Holland and second by Judge Corn with a 5-0 vote.

## Old Fashioned Sunday August 14



Celebrate our heritage and all that God has brought us through.

Sing the Good Ol' Hymns and Southern Gospel music

It's going to be a blessed fun day as we take a step back in time.

Pot-Luck Dinner on the grounds

"Old Fashioned" Dress (optional)

9:45 am Sunday School  
11:00 am Morning Worship

### First Baptist Church

Ronnie B White, Pastor

PO Box 130, Cross Plains, TX (254) 725-7629

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## COURTHOUSE NEWS

COUNTY COURT  
Roger Corn, Presiding

### Misdemeanor Minutes

Alan Pool, compromise settlement agreement and order granted.

Donna Reid, compromise settlement agreement and order granted.

Gerald W. Arnold, Sr., motion to dismiss to driving while intoxicated (DWI) granted for plea to other case.

Travis Byram, motion to withdraw as surety granted.

David Garcia, motion to withdraw as surety granted.

Sulvester V. Jones, motion to withdraw as surety granted.

Luis Mogul, motion to withdraw as surety granted.

Anthony J. Lovato, motion to withdraw as surety granted.

Robert Munoz, Jr., compromise settlement agreement and order granted.

Bradley J. Goosen, final judgment of forfeiture of cash bond granted.

Terry G. Fortune, motion to

dismiss to driving while license suspended (DWLS) granted, insufficient evidence.

### Marriage Licenses

Cody Allen Pinkerton and Tamra Marie Malone, both of Clyde.

42nd DISTRICT COURT  
John Weeks, presiding

### Civil Filings

Bobby Don Jones and Renee Ann Jones, divorce.

Sherri Kay Kitchens and Jesse Calvin Kitchens, divorce.

Brandon D. Wheeler and Jennifer E. Wheeler, divorce.

Fidelity & Guaranty Insurance Company vs. Martin Ross, worker's compensation.

### Civil Minutes

Alfredo Mendez, Jr. and Molly Mendez, divorce granted.

### Criminal Indictments

Jimmy L. Hare, Jr., burglary of a habitation.

## CHRISTIAN MEN'S Fellowship Breakfast

The twice monthly FREE Christian men's fellowship breakfast will be held this coming Saturday morning, August 13, 2005, at 8 a.m. behind the Believers Fellowship Church, in the parking lot (1 mile east of Cross Plains on Hwy 36). Everyone is welcome!

Breakfast is cooked up and served "Cowboy Style" outside on a cooker. Please come and join us for some good food, prayer and fellowship. For more information call Pastor Matt McGowen (254) 725-4599 or H.D. "Hoppy" Hopkins (254) 725-6355.

## HAPPY BIRTHDAY

### AUGUST 13

Timothy Markham  
Mrs. C.J. McAfee  
Joshua Brooks Crawford  
Canda Andrews  
Ned Clark  
Randy Griswold

### AUGUST 14

Clarence Tennison, Jr.  
Carl Morgan  
Jessie Ruth McAdams  
Paul Wright  
Ronny Haackonsen  
Kami (Hargrove) Hickman  
Kati Wooten  
Junior Brown  
Naomi Isbell  
Nici Higginbottom  
Jim Greeman  
Debbie Tyler Reed  
Clayton Lee Thomas  
Billy Don Bell  
Robert McCorkle  
Jimmy Hill  
Melody Walker  
Clay Duncan

### AUGUST 15

Barbara Duncan  
Pat Albus  
Steve Petty  
Isla Stroud  
Cristy LeeAnn Whiteley  
Carie (Renfro) Wheeler  
Elvin Burk  
Maxine Dimitri

### AUGUST 16

Floyd Havens  
Brett Jennings  
Kelli (Hargrove) Hyles  
Von Dell Bailey  
Stephen Fortenberry  
Connie Ricci  
Alice Roby

### AUGUST 17

Paula Kelley  
Nelda Tennison  
Angela (Newton) Barraclough  
Scott Hutton  
Tiffany Paige Holland  
Frank O'Banion  
Renee Hogrell

### AUGUST 18

Tommy Hornsby  
Harry Watson  
Paul Edward Walker  
Chester Brown  
Don Turner, Jr.  
Mrs. J.T. Walker  
Debbie (Fletcher) Foster  
Sheila (Bright) Jackson

### AUGUST 19

Inez Reed  
Janie Thomas  
Rex Mayes  
Johnny Ray Wilson  
Jerry Wayne Perry  
Mrs. Ronald Miller  
Romara Rene Atwood  
Connie (Steele) Grelle  
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Jim Senkel, Pastor

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## COTTONWOOD NEWS

By WALLACE BENNETT

**Cottonwood Connections**  
Jess Bigbee is taking treatments from the Rehab Center in Brownwood, the result of a fall he suffered several days ago and a stroke. We wish Jesse Bigbee a speedy recovery.

**Cottonwood Fire Control Group Planning Garage Sale And Bake Sale**  
The Cottonwood Volunteer Fire Control Group is planning a combined baked goods sale and a garage sale as a fund drive to benefit the organization.

Items are needed for the garage sale. The citizens of the community are asked to donate garage sale items and you may bring these items to the Cottonwood Community Center starting as early as August 18, 2005, until the sale date which will be announced at a later date. "We will be glad to pick up items for the garage sale," said a member of the Fire volunteers.

Call Sue Bennett at 725-6668, Beverly Brown at 725-7369, Mary St. Peter at 725-6762, or Deana Teresteggi at 725-7281. It is requested that "no clothes" be donated for the garage sale.

Okay folks this is a community need. You meet their need and someday, in all probability, they will meet your need. It would be a shame if you had the urge to donate something valuable or saleable at a garage sale, but forgot for some reason, and did not get it done. Then when disaster strikes there is no fire truck to send out. So let us please prepare to support our local fire fighters.

**OOPS! Goofed Again**  
Misspelled Driskill last week. (Pleased contact Wallace Bennett 254-725-7474 for news or personal items for this column. E-mail is [csb5@airmail.net](mailto:csb5@airmail.net). Snail mail address is 11093 CR 440, Cross Plains, Texas 76443.)

## RISING STAR NURSING CENTER

By LINDA MERRITT

Employees and staff send out congratulations and best wishes to fellow employee Traci Clark on her marriage to JaCare' Smith. A surprise party was given in her honor. We love you Traci and wish you every happiness.

A warm welcome to our new residents, Glenda Barr, Dona Browning and Marjorie Rutledge.

We have three halls here at our center—a North Hall, East Hall and South Hall. Each one is decorated differently. Our North Hall is a heritage of doll displays. Bluebonnets you will find down the East Hall, which is the favorite of most of us and last but not least, our South Hall displays pictures of John Deere Tractors and accessories. At the beginning of that hall we now have a sign that reads: John Deere Road. This just put the finishing touches to this hall. Pearl Anderson says,

"This is my road." Many thanks to Darla Moore and Ethel Monville for donating the sign. We are all proud of the new look here at our facility and welcome everyone to come visit with us.

Our appreciation to Patsy and Don Watson for the cantaloupe and tomatoes.

Several residents enjoyed shelling some pretty black-eye peas last Friday which came from the Fleming Countryside Market.

We extend our heartfelt sympathies to the family of Thora Walker. Thora was a very special and unique lady. Respected and admired by those who knew her. She will truly be missed.

**For anything worth having, one must pay the price and the price is always work, patience, love and self-sacrifice. No paper, currency, no promise to pay, but the GOLD of real service.**

## 64th Carey Family Reunion set for Aug. 14 at Early Lions Club Bldg.

Descendants of the George W. Carey and Sarah B. Burton Families will have their 64th Family Reunion Sunday, August 14, at the Early Lions Club Building located on the Zephyr Highway in Early.

Doors will be open at 9:30 a.m. for those wanting to come early and visit before the noon meal.

Lunch will be catered at 12:00 noon. The cost of \$7.00 per plate.

Entertainment and a White Elephant Auction will follow the noon meal.

All families and friends are invited. Call Tomolene Carey at (325) 784-6073 for more information.

## ADVERTISE IN THE CROSS PLAINS REVIEW

### BREAKTHRU

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



If you were going to pick peaches, would you go to the apple orchard? Or if you were going to pick grapes would you go to the plum thicket? The answer and reason is obvious but Jesus used the very obvious to illustrate a point He was making, saying, "A tree is known by it's fruit" (Matthew 12:33b). He had said, "Either make the tree good and its fruit good, or else make the tree bad and its fruit bad" (v.33a).

What's the point? You can't have a bad heart and produce good actions; if you have a good heart, you won't normally produce bad actions. "A good man out of the good treasure of his heart brings forth good things, and an evil man out of the evil treasure brings forth evil things" (verse 35).

Spiritual "heart transplants" occur when people surrender their wills to Christ's will. There is a great need for adults who will major in growing good hearts in the lives of young ones. Join me in praying for our public school teachers as they strive to grow good hearts in the lives of those sitting at their feet.

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

Earlene Burge and Jessica Stultz were so pleased to have several visitors this week. Tommy Brown from Albuquerque visited with his son, Jayson, who is twenty now and in the Army, stationed in Kentucky. He really enjoyed the Army. He liked working on helicopters. It was such a nice visit and we were surprised how tall Jayson is now.

Friday, Betty Greeman and Katheryn Brown from Fort Worth came. We had an enjoyable lunch of grilled hamburgers and all the trimmings. It was Katheryn's birthday so we had cake, also. We all visited with Glenda Barr at the nursing home in Rising Star and took her some cake and candy. Before Katheryn and Betty left Saturday Jon and Leslie Ochoa came by with their little son, Matthew, our grandson

and great-grandson. We had Matthew overnight while his parents went on to Abilene to trade their pickup for a car. We had a really good time with Matthew. Everyone probably knows how enjoyable a 11 month-old, who is learning to walk can be. We really loved having him. They did come back with what I would call a Suburban. It's about what I called the road "the Molly Bryson Rd". I was reminded, only someone of my generation would know what road I was talking about. Guess we need some new road signs.

Pioneer had their regular "42" party last Thursday evening. There were nine present and all had a good time. H.A. Freeman wasn't feeling very good and we hope he is better. Our next meeting will be August 18th. Everyone is welcome.

## LIBRARY NOTES



### Behind the Books

For those of you who've visited our Reference Room lately, you've probably wondered what is behind that pile of supplies and equipment stacked on and around the table. The long and short of it is that a plumbing problem reared its ugly head a few weeks ago and pretty well ruined our kitchen. All that "stuff" from the cabinets went to live in the Reference Room while my wonderful multi-talented Board of Directors pitched in to fix EVERYTHING—they tore out the floor, poured concrete, cut and laid ceramic tile, built a new shelf unit, sanded and painted the new shelf and the old cabinet, put new moulding around the doors and washed the coffee cups. And you probably thought they just sat around and made "governance decisions"!

Wouldn't you like to be a part of such a great group? Just come, check us out.

CU-BW

### Statistics August 1-5, 2005

Books:	65
Internet Users:	17
Memorials:	0
Donations:	
Alton and Joan McCowen	
Donations - Books:	
Sherrian Conway	
Audrey Watkins	
Carl and Ileen Smith	
Activity Report	
Patron:	63
Programs:	12
Copies:	37
Reference:	1
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## R.C. Merryman Honored with 80th Birthday Party

Family and friends gathered on the patio of R.C. and Wanda Merryman's for a celebration of R.C.'s 80th birthday on Saturday, July 23, 2005. Birthday cake and ice cream were served.

Those attending were children, David, Debbie and Jonathan Merryman of Cross Plains, Tom and Jan Merryman of Baird, Ann and Mike Knott of Dixon, New Mexico; grandchildren, Nikki Free, Tiffany and Billy Walker, all of Cross Plains; great-grand-

children, Lakene, Mikera and Nakadah Walker of Cross Plains; cousins, Billy and Shirley Merryman of Coleman and their grandson, Rode Merryman of Clyde, C.V. and Tina Johnson of Abilene, and Jack and Lou Knight of Bluff Dale; and friends, Ted and Sharron McCulloch and Bryan Edens of Cisco; Kay Horan of Cross Plains, Betty Garrett of Coleman and Wanda's sister, Mary Byrd of Snyder.

## Red Raiders Club of Central Texas to Host Freshman Send-off

The newly formed Texas Tech Alumni Club, "The Red Raiders of Central Texas," is hosting a Brownwood Area Freshman Send-off, Thursday, August 18, from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. at Humphrey Pete's, 102 Early Blvd.

All entering Freshmen, parents, alumni and friend of Texas Tech are invited for food, fun and prizes. Join us for this terrific Meet and Greet!

For more information contact Bryce Harris at (325) 998-1984.

## SENIOR CITIZENS MENU

### AUGUST 15 - 19

MONDAY - Chili w/Beans, Tossed Salad, Apricots, Vanilla Pudding, Cornbread, Milk	Mashed Potatoes, Mixed Veggies, Cheesecake, Bread, Milk
TUESDAY - Smothered Chicken, Au gratin Potatoes, Green Beans, Chocolate Chip Cookie, Bread, Milk	THURSDAY - Chicken Pot Pie, Carrots, Zucchini Squash, Peaches, Bread, Milk
WEDNESDAY - Meatloaf,	FRIDAY - Chef Salad, Ham, Cheese, Egg, Baked Potato, Gelatin, Crackers, Milk

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

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### QUIPS, CLIPS & COMMENTS

By KAY MOSLEY

**Note:** Time has really sped by. It seems like just yesterday that we were embracing the arrival of spring; now here we are in this blazing heat of summer, staring down the back stretch as the chilling blasts of winter speed forcefully onward.

Winters objective: to sideswipe fall and go directly from summer into winter. I sure hope that my friend and colleague, Apple Orchard Annie, doesn't get too hot in that orchard. How's it going Annie?

### "Remembering Days of Yore"

As a young girl growing up, school groups as well as church groups, went to Cisco for outings, field days and parties. There were quite a few fun things to do there.

It was the 1950's.

We would go roller skating. The rink was good sized and located near the dam. We had more fun there.

The dam was open and walking tours of it were available. There was a swimming pool for those who wanted to suit out and swim.

Other intriguing options was a Ferris wheel, kiddy car rides, go fish, little wooden ducks to catch with a net and many other varieties of rides and games which if you won, you received a prize.

It truly seemed a magical world. Nowadays, if we were kids, we'd probably go to Schlitterbahn and then to the mall. Times have changed. I'm sure I have changed, also. However, I will always remember the pleasure we all enjoyed in the 1950's at Cisco.

## Barb's Cues

By Barbara Holmes Worcester

### Thank You!

This will be short and hopefully sweet. I want to thank all of you who sent cards, gifts, telephone calls, or in any way expressed concern for me in my recent ordeal. I do so appreciate them all.

Ordeal it was. I was gone from my home for a month, and though my daughter was a lovely hostess, I was still away from home.

I had two surgeries. One to implant the probe in my brain (I was awake for that one) and one to run the wires from my brain into my chest where the battery was implanted.

I wish I could give you a glowing account of the success. Unfortunately, this is not the case. I am a bit better, but nothing like I expected.

They told me I might improve in the weeks to come and I would vote for that. I will accept whatever comes and know that I tried.

There is a satisfaction in know-

ing that I did what I could to make things better. If I had not tried, I would have always wondered.

My daughter has an autistic son and I really learned to appreciate her dedication. They have therapists come in for special things with Luke and she and my son in law do special exercises with him. Just keeping a home running smoothly with a special needs child and at the same time keeping up with a lively twelve year old daughter and seeing that her needs are met as well, is a real challenge.

It is hard to think that she would have the time but my daughter has a successful mortgage refinancing business out of her home. Being with her that month taught me a new respect for her. She is a real dynamo.

Again, I thank you all for making me feel very special. Just having such good friends makes me a very fortunate woman.

BHW

## 26th Annual Teston Family Reunion Held

The Cross Plains Community Center was the setting of the 26th reunion of the descendants of the late Elzie and Lela Teston. There was much conversation about sad and happy times which brought back memories of days gone by that helped to bind them together as a family and reinforced their hopes for the future.

Those present were Wayne Teston, Austin; Janie Fabian and Jennifer, Lubbock; Duke and Mary Deyslan, Tehachapi, CA; S.E. Braly, Spur; Bob and Nancy Braly, Cross Plains; Roy and Connie Carter, San Angelo; Rhonda Braly, Spur, Lessie Fae Baum, Cross Plains; Kenneth and Gayle Lowry, Spring; Anthony Tejida, Humble; Chris and Cathy

Lowry, Sydney and Luke, Wimberly; Matt and Susie Lowry and Alyssa, Kyle; Oddie An Kivlehen and Judy Harris, Abilene; Joe and Linda Ates, Milton, FL; Bryan and Tracie Ates and Amanda, Milton, FL; Mark, Shanda Harris and Hunter, Clifton; David, Marsha Kivlehen and Jennifer, Arlington; Cody, Casey Wasson and Mackenzie, Clyde; Jeremy, Leigh Martin and Kaden, Arlington; Justin Harris and Kelli Hicks, Abilene; Kandy Jones, Cross Plains; and Sarah Snipes, Kyle.

We had a good crowd and everyone reported a good time and plan to be back next year.

Submitted by  
Lessie Fae Baum

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## SCHOOL MENU

**AUGUST 15 - 19**

BREAKFAST	LUNCH
<b>MONDAY</b> - Cereal, Graham Crackers, Assorted Juice	<b>MONDAY</b> - Corn Dogs, Baked Beans, Tater Tots, Mixed Fruit
<b>TUESDAY</b> - Cereal, Graham Crackers, Assorted Juice	<b>TUESDAY</b> - Chicken Nuggets w/Gravy, Mashed Potatoes, Green Beans, Rolls, Peaches
<b>WEDNESDAY</b> - Pancakes, Sausage, Assorted Juice	<b>WEDNESDAY</b> - Fiesta Salad (Chili Beans, Corn Chips, Cheese, Salad, Rice), Pineapples
<b>THURSDAY</b> - Poptart, Yogurt, Assorted Juice	<b>THURSDAY</b> -Fish or Hot Pocket, Coleslaw, Blackeyed Peas, Fresh Fruit
<b>FRIDAY</b> - Cinnamon Roll, Yogurt, Assorted Juice	<b>FRIDAY</b> - Beef or Chicken Patty on Bun, Lettuce-Tomato-Pickles, Fries, Cookie

*Have A Nice Week*

## Exchange Students Need American Host Families

School's starting soon, but it's not too late to open your heart and home. Hosting a high school exchange student is like bringing the world to your doorstep.

F.I.T., a State Department designated exchange visitor program is still matching international students, ages 15-18 with host families in our area. Families of all "types" are eligible to host, retired couples to single parent families. Not only tow parent families have enjoyed hosting an international son or daughter.

Students will be arriving real soon. They will bring their own spending money for clothes, entertainment and other expenses. In addition, all students have complete medical insurance. But most of

all, they bring their intent desire to become an integral part of their American host family. It's a relationship that will last a lifetime!

Host families agree to provide room and board for their student, and to include them as a member of their family. We have one semester, as well as academic year students. **ALL STUDENTS SPEAK ENGLISH!** Call to set up an interview with our local representative.

For more information about hosting a student, or joining our team of Local Area Representatives, without any obligation, please call: Foundation for Intercultural Travel, Maryann at toll free (877) 439-7862.

## SCHOOL BOARD MEETING

A called meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Cross Plains I.S.D. will be held on **August 16, 2005**, beginning at **6:00 p.m.** in the high school administrative board room. The subjects to be discussed or considered or upon which any formal action may be taken are as follows:

### BUDGET WORKSHOP

If, during the course of the meeting, an discussion of any item on the agenda should be held in a closed meeting, the Board will convene in such closed meeting in accordance with the Open Meetings Act, Chapter 551, Government Code. Before any such meeting is convened, the presiding officer will publicly identify the section or sections of the Act authorizing the closed meeting. All final votes, actions, or decisions will be taken in open meeting.

This notice was posted in compliance with the Open Meetings Act on August 9, 2005, at 10:00 a.m. by Jackie Tennison for the Board of Trustees.

## Mini Cheer Camp

**Saturday August 20, 2005**

**9am - 2pm In The Cross Plains Gym**

**Pre-K Thru 6th Grade**

**Information will be sent home with your child from school.**

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## WIC program designed to help Women, Infants, and Children

Meredith was a nineteen-year old woman who was working two part-time jobs while putting herself through college. Meredith was also a single mother of an eighteen-month-old little girl named Victoria.

Meredith struggled with funds as she tried desperately to stretch the paychecks she earned from her two minimum wage jobs. Meredith did not receive assistance from Victoria's estranged father, and she did not feel right about accepting cash from her parents who really could not afford to support Meredith and her daughter. Besides, Meredith

wanted very much to be out on her own. Finally, Meredith broke into tears one day when she realized that the only time she saw her child was when she was sleeping. Meredith knew that she wanted to give Victoria a better life someday by completing college and achieving a degree-paying job.

But how was she going to change her life-style without taking out an even bigger college loan?

She took Victoria to her pediatrician one day for her well-baby checkup and learned about the WIC program: women, infants,

and children. Meredith made an appointment with her local clinic and began receiving about \$40 worth of groceries each month. The groceries included cereal, cheese, 100% fruit juice, eggs, beans, and milk; all foods that would help contribute to Victoria's healthy growth. Meredith was able to cut back on her hours at one of her jobs and make time to see Victoria for at least an extra hour every day. At present, Meredith says that she doesn't know what she would have done without the benefits of WIC. "The program is truly a blessing."

### What can WIC do for you?

If you are a mother of a child under age five, pregnant, or breast-feeding perhaps WIC can also help you. Call the numbers below to set up an appointment. The chart may help you determine your income eligibility.

### Abilene WIC Locations

**\*Sunshine Office\***  
2347 North 6th Street 79603  
(325) 672-1378

**\*Main Office\***  
1949 Santos 79605  
(325) 692-1680

**Clyde WIC Office**  
605 Hunt Street  
(325) 893-4552

### Income Eligibility Guidelines for WIC:

Number of Household Members:	Gross Monthly Household Income:	Gross Yearly Household Income:
1	\$1,476	\$17,705
2	\$1,978	\$23,736
3	\$2,431	\$29,767
4	\$2,984	\$35,798
5	\$3,486	\$41,829

\*A pregnant woman counts as two household members.

For more than 5 household members and any questions, call 1-800-942-3678 or one of the local WIC clinics.

## Enhanced pre-kindergarten vision for Texas— plan components already a law

As a result of the growing body of research on brain science, as well as studies linking investments in early childhood to economic development, a national movement to expand pre-kindergarten programs is growing.

The state of Texas is taking a unique approach to expanding access to families who desire pre-kindergarten. For the first time at the state level, hundreds of diverse stakeholders are coming together to help build an enhanced pre-kindergarten system where all early childhood education providers including Child Care, Head Start and Pre-Kindergarten coordinate their efforts to meet the needs of children ages birth to five.

Today, the Texas Early Childhood Education Coalition (TECEC) and the Texas Program for Society and Health (TPSH) of the James A. Baker III Institute for Public Policy at Rice University release **The Texas Plan: A Statewide Early Education and Development System (Texas SEEDS)**. This ten-year public policy vision for a comprehensive early childhood education system was created through extensive statewide collaborations over a two-year period.

"The Texas Plan does not promote a one-size-fits-all model, but instead seeks to enhance the existing diverse delivery systems to allow parents to choose which program best meets the individual needs of their child" explains Karen R. Johnson, President of United Ways of Texas and TECEC Co-Chair.

The Texas Plan outlines a statewide family-preference system that is high quality, widely available, and engages parents and communities. The Plan's goal is to ensure that all Texas children by entry in Kindergarten have the skills necessary to be successful in school. The document includes 50 policy recommendations de-

rived from a set of overarching guiding principles that call for:

- Inclusion of ALL children ages birth to five
- Inclusion of ALL early childhood education providers (Head Start; Child Care; and Pre-Kindergarten; corporate-sponsored; faith-based; and home-based)
- Affordability for every family regardless of income
- Parent driven decisions for enrollment and choice or provider
- High quality standards and assessments applied equitable to all providers
- Commitment to build a public-private initiative using all existing systems

"Access to high quality preschool programs including Child Care, Head Start and Pre-Kindergarten could be the single most effective mechanism to improve the outcome of our state's public schools," states Dr. Alvin Tarlov, retired Executive Director of the Texas Program for Society and Health and an architect of **The Texas Plan**.

Recent economic research shows that every dollar invested in high quality early childhood education yields between \$7 and \$17 in economic returns. These returns are realized through higher educational attainment, improved health, higher incomes, and lower crime and welfare participation rates.

"Business leaders recognize the direct connection between early childhood education and a sustainable, productive workforce that will allow Texas to compete on a national and global scale," remarks Sandy Dochen, IBM Corporate Community Relations Manager and TECEC Co-Chair.

"Privately owned child care centers, most of which are small businesses, provide the majority of child care in Texas. We have been concerned about

public Pre-Kindergarten expansion efforts when they come at the expense of Child Care providers. This new and bold **Texas Plan** recognizes the unique role that all players in the child care industry play in meeting the needs of children and parents in Texas," says Steve Sanders, President of the Texas Licensed Child Care Association.

Despite the 79th Regular Legislative Session ending without public school finance reform, legislators did address the early educational needs of our state's youngest citizens in a bipartisan effort. As a result, three bills consistent with **The Texas Plan** were passed and signed into law by Governor Rick Perry including Senate Bill 23 (Zaffirini/Kolkhorst), House Bill 2808 (Morrison/West), and House Bill 2048 (Iresti/Ellis).

Kaitlin Guthrow, Executive Director of the Texas Early Childhood Education Coalition (TECEC), states, "175 child interested organizations across Texas have contributed to and are energized by joining forces in the development of **The Texas Plan**. We are not all working together to adopt legislative priorities for a 10-year implementation time frame. A statewide Pre-K movement including all service providers is building. Come the 80th Legislative Session that begins in January 2007, we will all be knocking on the Capitol doors with one voice speaking on behalf of the children of Texas!"

The Texas Plan document and a visual graphic demonstrating the positive effects of quality early childhood education are available online at <http://www.tecec.org/files/Cascade.pdf>. To view bill analyses of Senate Bill 23, House Bill 2808 and House Bill 2048 please visit our website at [http://www.tecec.org/pages.php/Passed\\_Legislation.html](http://www.tecec.org/pages.php/Passed_Legislation.html).

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## CROSS PLAINS BUFFALOES

**2005 FOOTBALL SCHEDULE**

### VARSITY

DATE	OPPONENT	SITE	TIME
8/13 (Sat.)	*Rotan	Away	10:00 a.m.
8/19 (Fri.)	*Tolar	Home	6:00
8/26	Bronte	Home	7:30
9/2	Winters	Away	7:30
9/9	Santo	Away	7:30
9/16	Eden	Home	7:30
9/23	Christoval	Away	7:30
9/30	Open		
10/7	Goldthwaite	Home	7:30
10/14	Gorman	Away	7:30
10/21	Evant	Home	7:30
10/28	**Baird	Home	7:30
11/4	Ranger	Away	7:30

### JUNIOR VARSITY

8/13	*Rotan	Away	10:00 a.m.
8/19	*Tolar	Home	6:00
8/25	Open		
9/1	Winters	Home	6:30
9/8	Santo	Home	6:30
9/15	Eden	Away	6:30
9/22	Christoval	Home	6:30
9/29	Open		
10/6	Goldthwaite	Away	6:30
10/13	Open		
10/20	Evant	Away	6:30
10/27	Baird	Away	6:30
11/3	Ranger	Home	6:30

### JUNIOR HIGH

9/1	Winters	Home	5:00
9/8	Santo	Home	5:00
9/15	Eden	Away	5:00
9/22	Christoval	Home	5:00
9/29	Open		
10/6	Goldthwaite	Away	5:00
10/13	Gorman	Home	5:00
10/20	Evant	Away	5:00
10/27	Baird	Away	5:00
11/3	Ranger	Home	5:00

\*Scrimmages \*\*Senior/Parent Night  
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Mitchell Atchley-Coach/History  
Laci Bean- English/Speech  
Donnie Dillard, Jr. - Coach/Science/Health  
Charlene Fleming-Math  
Treva Gambrell-Science  
David Hagler-Athletic Director/Science  
Ronda Hagler-Special Ed/Art  
Rhonda Hinten-English/Theatre Arts  
Brandon McDowell-Coach/Special Ed  
Marc Morgan-AG. Science  
Roy Richey-AG. Science  
Kent Smith-Coach/Math  
Matt Sowell-Band  
Dalena Tarver-Spanish  
Dianna Webb-Technology  
Gerry Webb-Math  
Jennifer Wootton-Home Economics  
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Patricia Cook-Aide  
Natoschia Tennison-Aide  
Marilyn Tennison-Library Aide

### Superintendent

Jackie Tennison  
Superintendent's Secretary  
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### Curriculum/Test Coordinator

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### High School Secretary

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### Elementary Secretary

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### Cafeteria Manager

Barbara Barnett

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Deborah Thomas, Inez King  
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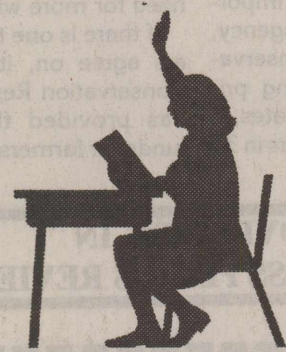
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Truett Horton

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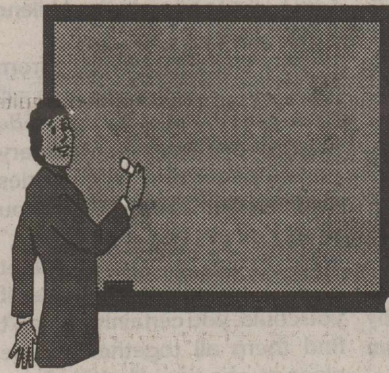
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Robert Gilpin, Billy Bell,  
Stephanie Strickland and  
Homer Parson



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Terri Hunter-1st Grade  
Becky Dillard-1st Grade  
Julia Wheeler-2nd Grade  
Kim Cassidy-2nd Grade  
Nora Odom-3rd Grade  
Leslie Lawrence-3rd Grade  
Connie Ricci-4th Grade  
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Paula Winfrey-5th Grade  
Vickie Walker-6th Grade  
Cam Morgan-6th Grade  
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## Farm Service Agency increasing quail populations through sound cooperative conservation practices

Aug. 2, 2005 — Bobwhite Quail enthusiasts in Texas may no longer wonder where all the quail have gone, thanks to the efforts of USDA's Farm Service Agency and its many partners.

"All species seem to have their dedicated devotees, but no game species seems to provoke more enthusiasm than bobwhite quail," said Robert Frost, County Executive Director of the Callahan County Farm Service Agency.

Northern bobwhite quail are a native species with a historic range in the Midwest and Southeast areas of the country. The birds are a valued inhabitant of farm landscapes, an important aspect of rural culture and are a key element to the heritage of hunting.

However, the northern bobwhite quail population has declined dramatically over the last quarter-century. Their habitat is disappearing due to urbanization, increased grassland cultivation and a transitioning of once grassy fields into woods and forests — a process called succession.

To underline the bird's importance, the Farm Service Agency, which has the largest conservation partnership involving private land in the United States, is paying private land owners in 35

states, including Texas, to set aside land for quail habitat. The Conservation Reserve Program's Northern Bobwhite Quail Habitat Initiative introduced a conservation practice intended to create 250,000 acres of early successional grass buffers along agricultural field borders.

To date, more than 48,000 acres have been enrolled nationwide. The Farm Service Agency estimates this nesting and brood-rearing cover will increase bobwhite quail numbers by three-quarters of a million birds annually. Planted buffers will also benefit reptiles, amphibians, aquatic species and upland birds, many of which are being considered for listing as endangered species. In addition, the initiative will reduce soil erosion and protect water quality by trapping field sediments and nutrients.

The quail population in each of the "select" states has been studied; and organized efforts by wildlife groups and sporting organizations are underway to boost quail populations. Study results all point to one thing - the need for more wildlife habitat.

"If there is one thing quail lovers agree on, it's that FSA's Conservation Reserve Program has provided the necessary funds for farmers and landown-

ers to create habitat for these desirable upland birds," said Frost.

USDA estimates that through the Northern Bobwhite Quail Habitat Initiative, CRP will provide \$125 million in payments to participants through 2007, when the overall statutory enrollment limit is expected to be reached. The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and 32 state fish and wildlife agencies are providing technical, monitoring and evaluation assistance.

The Farm Service Agency has partnered with Quail Unlimited, the Southeast Quail Study Group, Pheasants Forever, Ducks Unlimited, the National Wild Turkey Federation and other conservation groups, as well as local conservation districts, to provide outreach, technical expertise and other assistance.

As a result of this unique partnership and success seen thus far, the Northern Bobwhite Quail Initiative was chosen to be one of 30 case studies to be presented at the White House Conference for Cooperative Conservation later this month in St. Louis. The project contact and conference presenter is Donald McKenzie, Northern Bobwhite Conservation Initiative Coordinator, 501-941-7994, wmidm@ipa.net.

## Masonic Lodge Officers Installed at Public Ceremony

Newly elected officers of the Cross Plains Masonic Lodge were installed in their respective chairs during evening ceremonies this past June 28th. The event marked an historic first such ceremony held in the new Masonic Lodge building located at 225 South Main adjacent to City Hall.

Lodge officers are elected annually at the general membership meeting each May. The officers elect will serve as managers of Lodge activities for the Masonic year, 2005-2006.

Individuals being installed are:

**Phillip Strength**,  
Master of the Lodge  
**Larry Rice**, Senior Warden  
**Ed Walt**, Junior Warden  
**Ray Purvis**, Secretary  
**R.L. Barnett**, Treasurer  
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**Dale Aaron**, Senior Deacon  
**Ron Conway**, Junior Deacon  
**Stan Painter**, Senior Steward  
**Ron Wooten**, Junior Steward  
**Kenneth Beeler**,  
Master of Ceremonies  
**H.D. Weaver**, Marshal.

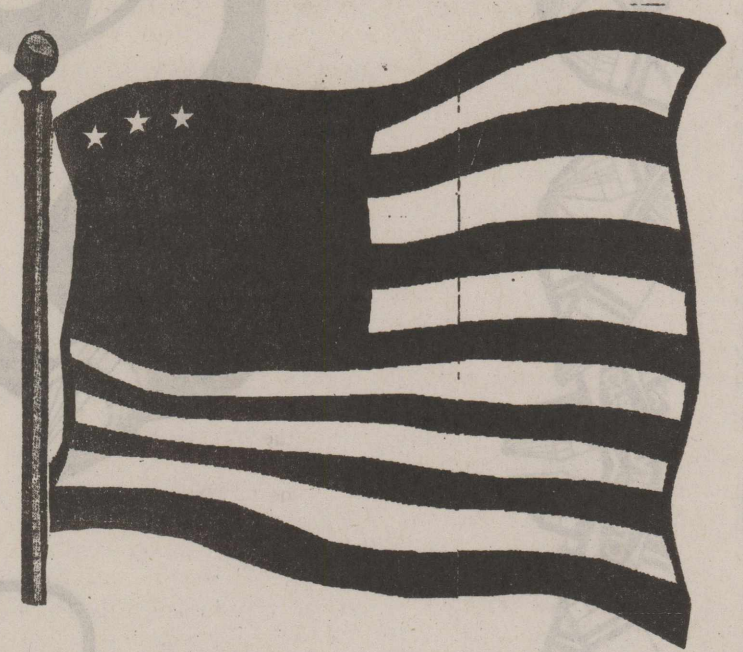
Installing Officer was Ron Wooten, outgoing Master while Allen Barnett, Past Master, served as the Installing Marshal.

Freemason are the world's largest fraternal organization whose membership and lodges span the globe. They are the foundation and root organization of all other Masonic bodies such as the Shriners, Scottish Rite Masons and York Rite Masons.

Lodges are non-profit charitable organizations that have long been advocates for free public schools and community service. Among their many charities are Burn Centers and Hospitals for Children (where patients are never charged for services), the Masonic Home and School, and Learning Centers for children with speech disorders. These facilities are available to children of both Masons and non-Masons.

Submitted by  
**John Baum**

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## Donations Continue to Arrive for Veterans Memorial Monument

Each week the United States Flag will be published displaying stars representing \$500.00 donations to the Veterans Memorial Monument. The approximate cost of the monument and cement slab is \$26,000.00, depending on the design chosen.

The following businesses and individuals have recently contributed: Businesses - Subway, Connie's Cuts and Curls and Cross Plains Review; Individuals - Jane Bonner, New-

ton Farm and Ranch, M/M Deverl Harp M/M Donnel C. Clark, M/M Vondal Hutchins, Garmond Parrish, Mrs. Mac Coppinger, Sue Chism, Joe Gary, and Cunningham Ranch.

Every contribution is truly appreciated as they move closer to the goal. You may send Veteran names and donations to:

**Cross Plains and Area Veterans Memorial Fund**  
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## West Texas Gun & Knife Show comes to Abilene August 13-14

For twenty-seven years, thousands of Texans across the state have come to Texas Gun & Knife Shows to see the best in collectible guns, knives and accessories. On August 13-14, TGKA will bring their West Texas Gun & Knife Show to the Abilene Civic Center.

Collectors and exhibitors from throughout the Abilene area will be on hand to buy, sell and trade some of the most extraordinary guns, knives and accessories ever made. "These items you simply can't find every day," explains Kim Hill, vice president of the association. "And even if you could, you certainly couldn't find them all together in one place at one time like this."

Ms. Hill expects scores of exhibitors to be on hand at the

upcoming show, and will be available to visit with the public during the event.

As in every Gun and Knife Show, guns and knives are just part of the picture at the Abilene show. There will also be a great selection of wildlife art, historical artifacts, "Texana" items, and Native American and military memorabilia, as well as superior displays of excellently priced gold and silver jewelry.

The Abilene Gun & Knife Show will take place Saturday, August 13th, from 9 a.m. until 5 p.m. and Sunday, August 14th, from 10 a.m. until 5 p.m. Also, TGKA will offer a "two for the price of one", admission on both Saturday and Sunday during the first hour of the show. Children under 12 are free.

## Entrants taken for Miss West Texas Fair & Rodeo Queen Pageant

The Miss West Texas Fair and Rodeo Queen Pageant will be held Friday evening, September 9th through September 11th, 2005. The competition will be in Horsemanship, Speeches, Modeling, Questions and Interviews.

Prizes include a Crown, Banner, Roses, Handmade Spurs, Hand Tooled Spur Straps, Buckle, a \$2,000.00 Scholarship and more. The Winner of Horsemanship will receive a Saddle Blanket with Hand Tooled Corners.

Contestants should wear Wranglers for all areas of competition except for Modeling when a dress or skirt and jacket or vest should be worn. Leather will not be judged above non-leather. Fit, color coordination and presentation will be the criteria for modeling.

Entry forms are available at the offices of the West Texas Fair & Rodeo for young ladies

interested in the 2005 pageant. Entries must be received in the West Texas Fair & Rodeo Office by 5:00 p.m., August 19th. Orientation will be August 26, 2005.

The Winner will reign over the 2005 West Texas Fair & PRCA Rodeo September 13th-17th. The winner will also represent the West Texas Fair & Rodeo at various other rodeos, parades and other activities in the West Texas area during the year and will also be eligible to compete in the Miss Rodeo Texas Pageant held in San Antonio, Texas in June of 2006.

The age limit for the contest is 15 - 24. Entrants must live within a one hundred mile radius of Abilene.

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## Commissioners approve resolution in support of crime task force

Callahan County Commissioners approved a resolution in support of the West Central Texas Interlocal Crime Task Force during the commissioners' court meeting held Monday, August 8 at the County Courthouse in Baird.

Callahan County Attorney Shane Deel and County Sheriff Eddie Curtis met with the commissioners' court on the importance of the West Central Texas Interlocal Crime Task Force in rural areas of West Texas.

On a motion by Callahan County Judge Roger Corn and second by Commissioner Bryan Farmer, commissioners voted 5-0 in support of the resolution. The resolution follows:

### CALLAHAN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF THE WEST CENTRAL TEXAS INTERLOCAL CRIME TASK FORCE

WHEREAS, the geographical area of this part of West Texas, with the bisection of the area by I-20 and the existence of rural roads with relative isolation and agriculture industry make this a prime target area for drug manufacture and trafficking, and,

WHEREAS, the governmental entities in this area are not large enough or have enough tax-base to effectively mount an effective drug deterrent program on a wide enough scale. The best way to have an effect is with cooperation and direction, which has been provided in this region for years by the West Central Texas Interlocal Crime Task Force; and,

WHEREAS, many times the investigation activities of the task force uncover other crimes thereby assisting; the local governments with law enforcement support and information. This investigation and enforcement is important assistance to our rural communities and governmental entities; and

WHEREAS, with the passage of HB 1239, in order to exist, multijurisdictional crime task forces can only operate after the Department of Public Safety confirms the strategic need for the task force and the composition of the task force, and

WHEREAS, the Callahan County Commissioners' Court hereby formally expresses our approval and sincere appreciation for the West Central Texas Interlocal Crime Task Force. It is our belief that this professional and dedicated group of law enforcement officers has done an outstanding job in combating illegal drug activity on our county. We hereby resolve to seek the continued support for the Task Force and its Commander, Billy Schat; and,

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Commissioners' Court of Callahan County, Texas, does hereby;

1. Request that the West Central Texas Interlocal Crime Task Force be allowed to continue to operate in its effective manner. Our citizens deserve continued effectiveness in the investigation and interdiction of illegal drug manufacture and trafficking.

2. To continue its effectiveness, the Task Force needs to stay able to operate in all areas of the Task Force region, including all transportation routes, counties, municipalities and communities.

SIGNED THIS THE 8TH DAY OF AUGUST, 2005.

(s) Roger Corn  
Callahan County Judge  
(s) Harold Hicks  
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The Callahan County Nutrition Project wishes to express their thanks to all the people who supplied recipes for this cookbook and assisting the Nutrition Project in this project.

All proceeds from the cookbook will help finance the Nutrition Project which provides Meals on Wheel and Congregate Meals for the senior citizens and homebound people in Callahan County.

## Hunter Safety Education Course offered in Brownwood

A two-day Hunter Safety Education Course will be offered Sunday and Monday, August 21 and August 22 at the Brownwood Masonic Lodge building located on East Adams Street in Brownwood.

The course will be held from 9:00 a.m. until 7:00 p.m. on Sunday, August 21 and from 2:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m. on Monday, August 22.

Hunters whose date of birth is on or after September 2, 1971, must have completed a mandatory Hunter Education Course to be able to hunt in Texas. Any individual may take the Hunter Safety Education Course on a voluntary basis and is encouraged to attend regardless of requirements.

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To successfully complete the course, hunters must attend a minimum of ten hours in two or

## Callahan Divide Soil & Water Conservation District hosts development group meeting

The Callahan Divide County Soil and Water Conservation District invites the public and any agencies with interest to participate in Program Development Group (PDG) meeting to be held at the Callahan County Courthouse in the 3rd floor courtroom in Baird, Texas. This meeting will be on August 15, 2005 from 9:00am-12:00pm. The purpose of this meeting is to request participation and invite comments from a broad range of local agencies, organizations, businesses, and especially farmers and ranchers that have an interest in natural resource conditions and needs.

The discussion in the PDG will help the Local Work Group (LWG), led by USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) District Conservationist, to address county based funding for the FY2006 Envi-

ronmental Quality Incentives Programs (EQIP). The LWG will make recommendations on resource concerns to be addressed, eligible practices, cost share rates, and ranking for county-based funding.

One of the guiding principles of the 2002 USDA Farm Bill is that conservation programs are locally lead. Through stakeholder meetings the public is given an opportunity to help local conservation leaders set program priorities. These meetings are open to the public.

EQIP was established in the 1996 Farm Bill to provide a single, voluntary conservation program for farmers and ranchers to address significant natural resource concerns. Nation-

ally, it provides technical and financial assistance to address natural resource concerns. Administered by the NRCS, EQIP was reauthorized in the 2002 Farm Bill and awards cost share assistance to agricultural producers who will apply cost share and incentive practices which provide significant environmental benefit. In Texas, NRCS provides funding to each county to address local high priority resource concerns.

For more information, call the USDA Service Center office in Baird at 325-854-1349 ext.3. Service center locations and program information can be found on the NRCS Texas website at [www.tx.nrcs.usda.gov](http://www.tx.nrcs.usda.gov).

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Marian is the daughter of Linda Reed of Cross Plains. John is the son of Chris and Mary Allen of Brownwood and Gary and Cindy Goins of Early, Cross Plains.

## Guise-Busby to Exchange Marriage Vows Saturday, August 13, in Cross Plains

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Smoot and Sheryl Hall request the honor of your presence at the marriage of their children, Tiffany Guise and Shawn Ray Busby. The ceremony will be Saturday, August 13, at 8 p.m. at 36 West Motel in Cross Plains. For further information call (254) 725-4550 or (254) 725-4344.



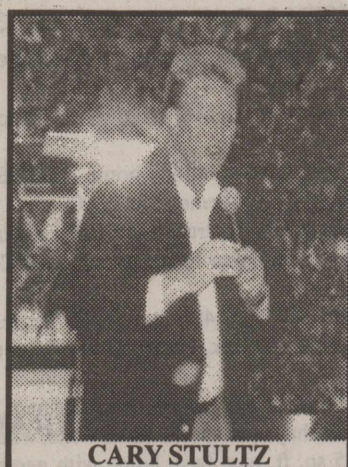
SHAWN RHODES AND KELLY LEE

## Lee—Rhodes Announce Engagement and Their Approaching Marriage

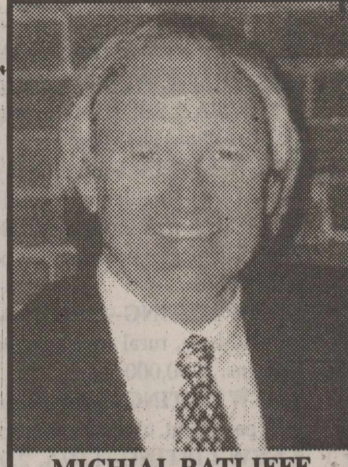
Mr. and Mrs. Richard Lee of Comanche announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Kelly Lee, to Shawn Rhodes, son of Mr. and Mrs. R. Stephen Rhodes of Temple.

Kelly is a graduate of Comanche High School and the University of Mary Hardin Baylor (Class of '02) and is currently employed as a teacher in Belton. She will graduate with her Masters of Education Degree in August 2005. Kelly is the granddaughter of Ruby Lee and the late Albert Lee of Cross Plains and Claud and Charlie Green of Robinson.

Shawn is a graduate of Temple High School and Texas A&M University (Class of '99). He is currently employed as a Claims Representative for Progressive Insurance in Temple. Shawn is the grandson of Murle Rhodes and the late J.F. Rhodes of Columbus and Jeanette Warton of Temple.



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## Non-denominational Meetings of Refreshing Continue at Pioneer Pentecostal Church

Michial Ratliff of Visionaries International and Cary Stultz will once again be speaking at the Pioneer Pentecostal Church, which will be held August 11-13, starting at 7:00 p.m. These meetings will continue on the second weekend of each month for 3-days, Thursday-Saturday.

Pioneer Pentecostal Church is located between Cross Plains and Rising Star, 5 miles east of Cross Plains on Highway 36, turn left on County Road 569, go 1 mile, and the church is on the right.

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## A SOLDIER'S THOUGHTS

BY JERRY P. BIGGERSTAFF, JR.

### "Lonely Sadness"

Sunday  
Since my return on Thursday, I have felt slow and non-responsive. I barely manage to get little tasks at hand done. I kind of feel as if there are two hamsters on the wheel: one fighting to turn the wheel one way, while the other fights to turn in the opposite direction. The hamsters, I have come to realize, represent my emotions of the separation of family all over again and the other the job at hand. I cannot seem to come to grips with the separation this time and it makes me almost wish that I had never left here. I keep telling myself that if this was a 6 month deal it would be a

lot better than the 18 month total time. I feel as if this would allow for just enough hurt and sadness before all things went back to the way it was prior to leaving. My mind now is split between two "families": the one I have loved for a long time prior to this ordeal and the one I have grown to appreciate and depend on here. My friends are here but my life is there.

I know now what it means when one says that "you complete me". I am incomplete without family. The depression says to me out loud at times that what we do here does not matter. There is, however, a little voice deep down inside that tells me that what we do here does matter.

The feelings that I have now are much stronger than the ones I had during the days after the first separation. The first separation was filled with unknowns and uncertainties that seemed to almost excite me. This time everything was know. I know where we are going and what we are headed into. This makes the ordeal of separation overwhelm my mind. It was as if my mind was clouded and full of the unknown the first time and this time my open mind is full of depression and sadness. How do I shake it...?

This morning I had an attack of heart and mind. I felt like something was missing but that I had no way of doing anything about it. I am trapped inside this body, in this place, with no way out, and seemingly no light at the end of the tunnel.

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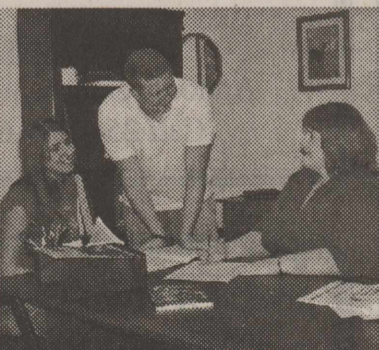
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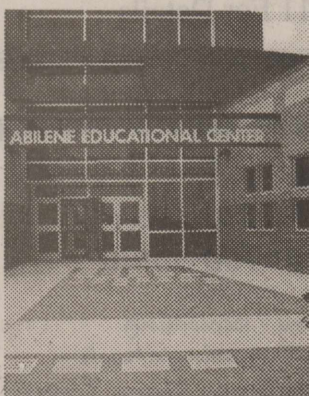
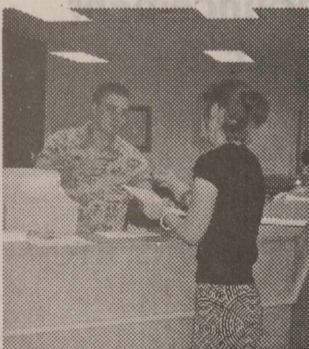
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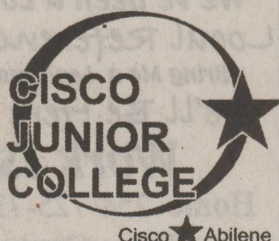
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