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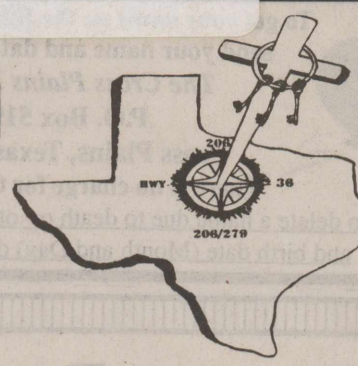
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DOWN HOME

Editor's Note: The following true story is just TOO good! It looks like scientists are going to finally prove God's creation with their technology. Earlier they proved the existence of Noah's Ark. How much more does anyone need????? **Vanda Anderson**

"NASA and the Bible"

For all the scientists out there, and for all the students who have a hard time convincing these people regarding the truth of the Bible, here's something that shows God's awesome creation, and that He is still in control.

Did you know that the space program is busy proving that what has been called "myth" in the Bible is true?

Mr. Harold Hill, President of the Curtis Engine Company in Baltimore, Maryland, and a consultant in the space program, relates the following development.

I think one of the most amazing things that God has done for us today happened recently to our astronauts and space scientists at Green Belt, Maryland.

They were checking out where the positions of the sun, moon, and planets would be 100 years and 1,000 years from now. We have to know this so we won't send up a satellite and have it bump into something later on in its orbits.

We have to lay out the orbits in terms of the life of the satellite and where the planets will be so the whole thing will not bog down.

They ran the computer measurement back and forth over the centuries, and it came to a halt. The computer stopped and put up a red signal, which meant that there was something wrong with either the information fed into it or with the results as compared to the standards.

They scratched their heads and tore their hair out. There was no answer.

Finally a Christian man on the team said, "You know, one time I was in Sunday School and they talked about the sun standing still." While they didn't believe him, they didn't have an answer either, so they said, "Show Us."

He got a Bible and went to the book of Joshua where they found a pretty ridiculous statement for any one with 'common sense'.

There they found the Lord saying to Joshua, "Fear them not, I have delivered them into thy hand; there shall not a man of them stand before Thee."

Joshua was concerned because he was surrounded by the enemy! And if darkness fell, they would overpower them. So Joshua asked the Lord to make the sun stand still! That's right... "The sun stood still and the moon stayed and lasted not to go down about a whole day! (Joshua 10:12-13)

The astronauts and scientists said, "There is the missing day!" They checked the computers going back into the time it was written and found it was close, but not close enough. The elapsed time that was missing back in Joshua's day was 23 hours and 20 minutes, not a whole day.

They read the Bible, and there it was about (approximately) a day. These little words in the Bible are

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Cottonwood Historical Association Meeting to be Held Saturday, May 5th at Cottonwood Community Center

The Cottonwood Historical Association will hold its Annual meeting this Saturday, May 5th at the Cottonwood Community Center. Cottonwood residents, former residents, folks with Cottonwood ancestors and anyone in the community is invited to attend.

This year, before the meeting, there will be a Coffee Social at 9:00 a.m. So, get there early and visit with old friends and make new ones.

Association President Herman Weaver will call the meeting to

order promptly at 10:00 a.m. The program is "Growing Up in Cottonwood" with guest speakers Claud Champion and Frances Wilson Thornton. Come and share your memories, too.

Lunch will be served after the meeting. Please bring a covered dish—salad, vegetable, side dish or dessert. The Association furnishes barbecue brisket, chicken and sausage cooked by board members Joe Terstegge, Bryan Bennett and Phillip Bennett. Bread, iced tea and coffee are also furnished.

After lunch, the long-awaited Cottonwood Cookbook—*Cottonwood's My Home: Recipes, Memories, History* will be available for sale.

Bring photos and Cottonwood mementoes that you would like to show off and share. A copier will be available to duplicate your old photographs.

The weather will be good, the program enjoyable, the food delicious and the company memorable. Come and enjoy the day in Cottonwood.

City of Cross Plains/BFI Spring Cleanup Set for Monday, May 7th

The City of Cross Plains and BFI will hold their annual Spring Cleanup on the week of May 7, 2007.

Citizens who wish to dispose of items other than their usual weekly garbage may do so on this day.

Any senior citizen who has large items they would like to dispose of but need help getting it out to the curb, please call the City Hall for help.

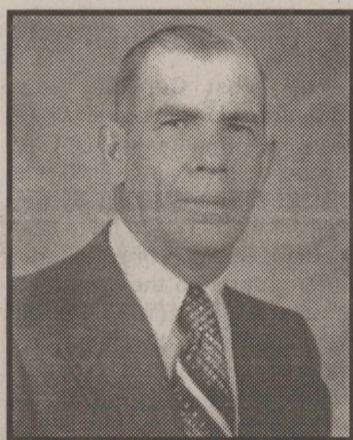
As always, BFI will not pick

up batteries, tires, paint, any hazardous material, or any appliances that contain Freon, unless the appliance has been tagged by a professional that states that all Freon has been removed.

Citizens may haul their brush items out to the city brush pit on this date **ONLY**, or may cut it into 4' lengths and bundle for BFI to pick up.

For further information, please call City Hall at 254-725-6114.

Funeral Services to be Held for Long Time Resident, Hadden Payne, Thursday, May 3rd



"In my Father's house are many rooms; if it were not so, I would have told you. I am going there to prepare a place for you. And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come back and take you to be with me that you also may be where I am." Jesus said.

Hadden S.P. Payne, 88, a beloved husband, dad, granddad, and great-granddad arrived at his mansion with Jesus on Saturday, April 28, 2007. His funeral service will be held at 10:00 a.m., May 3, 2007 at the First Baptist Church of Cross Plains. Burial will follow the service at the Cross Plains Cemetery. The family will welcome friends at the Higginbotham Funeral Home in Cross Plains from 6:30 until 9:00 p.m. on Wednesday, May 2.

He was born 4 miles west of Dressie, Texas to parents Pomp and Willie Long Payne on October 3, 1918, some 38 years after his great-grandparents Benjamin and Cathrine Bible Long accompanied by their son, Sam Long and wife Mary Hattie Brooks. Long had acquired land and settled in the early frontier

days. They were followed a little later by the Payne family settling in the same area. His two siblings, Pauline Payne and Glen Payne preceded him in death. He graduated from Cross Plains High School in 1936 and had a successful farming and ranching operation 8 miles west of Cross Plains for 68 years. He married Gretna Wright Payne on April 18, 1940 and was married 55 years. She preceded him in death on May 26, 1995.

Survivors include his wife, Erma Floyd Payne of 10 years; a son, Charles Hadden Payne (wife Linda) of Cross Plains; a daughter, Sharla Payne Stone (husband Mason) of San Antonio; grandchildren are Chase Payne (wife Melinda), Sheila Payne, Bryant Stone, Erica Stone; great-grandchildren are Allyssa, Hunter, Makenna, Jerrod, Nicole, James and Zane.

He was a long time member of the First Baptist Church where he served as Sunday School Director for approximately 20 years. Hadden was well thought of in the church and community as an individual of honesty, integrity, love and kindness. He has a legacy of children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren who continue to follow Christ. As a board member of the Farmer Home Administration, the Cross Plains School Board, the Farm Bureau and the Federal Land Bank, he gave much dedicated service.

Hadden was greatly loved by his family and community and will be missed.

Cross Plains Little League Parade Saturday, May 5 10AM

All Players and Coaches Need To Be In The Empty Lot Beside Dollar General By 9:30AM

Cross Plains Senior Village Will Not be Constructed

Plans for the Cross Plains Senior Village proposed by Louis and Bonita Williams of Nacogdoches were officially cancelled Monday, April 30th.

Lenders declined the loan when it was determined that there was no funding for the vouchers through the Callahan County Housing Authority in Baird. There were ample applications filed, however without the assistance of vouchers, the lenders felt that citizens might not be able to afford the rent.

Mary Graves, who has been assisting the Williams on the project, stated that they appreciated the support of local citizens in the effort to obtain additional housing for senior citizens.

Community Cancer Walk Planning Meeting

It is that time again to make plans for our Community Cancer Walk. We were blessed with a very successful event last year. Thanks to everyone's help.

We want to see if we can top that one! Please come to a meeting at the First Baptist Church on Tuesday, May 8th, at 7:00 p.m. in the sanctuary. Bring

Playday May 5th

A PLAYDAY is planned for Saturday, May 5th at the Cross Plains Roping Club Arena on Highway 36 in Cross Plains.

Five events will highlight the day. Leadline and all ages including adults will be eligible to participate.

Daily and year-end awards in every age group will be presented.

Non-rider events are provided, too!

For more information call Jamie Wootton at 325-201-1140.

Early voting now underway for Constitutional Amendment Election

Early voting for the Constitutional Amendment Election slated for Saturday, May 12th is now underway at three locations throughout Callahan County.

Early voting got underway at 8:00 a.m. on Monday, April 30th at Cross Plains City Hall, Baird High School and Clyde City Hall for the Constitutional Amendment Election set for Saturday, May 12th.

Early voting hours are from 8:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m. through Friday, May 4th and will start again Monday, May 7th and end on Tuesday, May 8th.

The Constitutional Amendment states:

"The constitutional amendment authorizing the legislature

to provide for a reduction of the limitation on the total amount of ad valorem taxes that may be imposed for public school purposes on the residence homesteads of the elderly or disabled to reflect any reduction in the rate of those taxes for the 2006 and 2007 tax years."

The Constitutional Amendment Election hours are from 7:00 a.m. until 7:00 p.m. on Saturday, May 12th. Polling places for the election Saturday, May 12th include: Cross Plains Community Center, 108 N. Beech, Cross Plains, Texas; Baird High School, 600 W. 7th Street, Baird, Texas; Clyde City Hall, 222 Oak Street, Clyde, Texas; and Eula Lions Club, 5776 FM 603, Clyde, Texas.

Cross Plains Cemetery Association Board Directors Meeting
Monday, May 7
5:30 p.m.
City Hall

Texas Heritage Bank
"We're Proud of Our Local Heritage"
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Teacher Appreciation Week
May 6th - 12th
Lets Show Our Appreciation To The Teachers Of Our Schools
(Baked Goods, Cards, Letters Whatever You Choose)

Elementary Award Ceremonies
Tuesday May 8th in Auditorium
K-2nd Grade 8:15AM
3rd-6th Grade 9:30AM

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

CHURCH DIRECTORY

CORNERSTONE BIBLE CHURCH
 832 Ave. E Cross Plains, TX
Pastor: Walter Pope
 Sunday Morning Bible Study ...10:00 AM
 Morning Worship.....11:00 AM
 Evening Worship.....6:00 PM
 Wednesday Night Bible Study...7:00 PM
Our Church Is A House Of Prayer

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 209 S.W. Hwy 36 CROSS PLAINS, TX
Welcomes You!
 Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
 Sun. 6:30 p.m. Worship & Word *** Wed. 7:00 p.m. Bible Study
 "An Apostolic Church"
PASTOR, Phillip R. Schaefer (254) 725-7140

COTTONWOOD BAPTIST CHURCH
 Sunday School9:45 AM
 Morning Worship.....11:00 AM
 Evening Service.....6:00 PM
 Wednesday Bible Study & Prayer Time.....7:00 PM
Matt McGowen, Pastor (254) 725-4599
 Church (254) 725-6266 Bible Teaching
 Friendly Church

Brushy Creek Cowboy Church
 112 W. Travis in Putnam
Pastor: Sam Stone
 Sunday Morning Worship.....10:30 AM
 Wednesday Worship.....7:00 PM
First Service Will Be May 6th

GOSPEL MISSION
 716 1st Street
Full Gospel
 Sunday Morning Worship.....10:00 a.m.
 Sunday Evening Worship.....5:00 p.m.
Michael Ingram, Pastor

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 (CJS Ranch, on the left just past the 279/206 split)
Al Taylor, Preacher
 Phone: 254-725-7522
 Cell Phone: 325-370-6680

Pioneer Baptist Church
Pastor: Rufus Wilson
 254-725-7574
 Sunday School.....10:00 am
 Sunday Morning Worship.....11:00 am
 Sunday Evening Worship.....6:00 p.m.
 Wednesday Prayer Service.....7:00 p.m.
Music Director: Barbara Jo Medley 254-643-1977

Living Water Ministries Fellowship
 Restoring And Equipping The Saints
 Sunday10:00 am Thursday7:00 pm
Pastor Max Evans
For Information Call (254) 725-7418

Rowden Baptist Church
 Interim Pastor: Wayne Lenz
 Bible Study...10:00 am
 Sunday Morning Worship...11:00 am
 2990 Highway 36 at Rowden 12 Miles West of Cross Plains

This Mother's Day give mom the gift of health

With Mother's Day just around the corner, everyone is on the lookout for that perfect gift. Instead of honoring your mom with the traditional flowers or card this year, give a gift that really shows you care - the gift of health.
 "Giving your mom a gift that shows you care about her health is the best thing you can do this Mother's Day," says James Villepigue, author of THE BODY SCULPTING BIBLE FOR WOMEN: Revised w/ DVD (Hatherleigh Press, \$19.95). "She has given you her support for years, and giving her a healthy gift shows that you support her and care about her well-being."

Villepigue has these suggestions for showing Mom you really care this Mother's Day:

- START THE DAY RIGHT WITH BREAKFAST IN BED**
 Breakfast in bed, that Mother's Day staple, doesn't have to mean pancakes and bacon. Give your mom an energy boost with a tasty fruit salad, low fat yogurt, and green tea instead of coffee. Green tea contains powerful blood-thinning agents called flavonoids, which can reduce the risk of dangerous blood clots by 60 percent.
- CATCH UP ON OLD TIMES WITH A LONG WALK**
 Is it hard to find time to bond with your mom now that you're all grown up? Taking a long

walk together provides time to talk about what's going on in your lives, as well as being a great way to ease into fitness. Make a weekly walking date, and enjoy each other's company while staying in shape-together!

SPLURGE ON A SPA TREATMENT
 Gift certificates for manicures, pedicures, or massages are always appreciated. A spa treatment will make your mom feel great about her body, and give her the confidence boost she needs to make a commitment to getting fit!

GIVE HER A YEAR-ROUND GIFT
 After years of sacrificing for their kids, many moms feel guilty about splurging on themselves. If you want to buy your mom something big this Mother's Day, get her a gym membership. It's a gift that will last much longer than a bouquet of flowers: the positive impact it will have on Mom's health can last a lifetime.

SHOWER HER WITH LOVE AND SUPPORT
 Just knowing that you love her and care about her health may be the biggest factor in getting your mom on the road to a fit lifestyle. Sharing your own fitness journey with her can keep you both on the right track. Above all, give your mom your unconditional support: love can be a tonic for all of life's challenges, so don't take it for granted.

Multi-County wheat tour set for May 4th

The annual Multi-County Wheat Tour will be held on Friday, May 4th beginning at the Taylor County Demonstrations Plots on Highway 351 Northeast of Abilene. The tour will then travel to the Callahan County Plots located north of Eula on CR 250. The field day is scheduled to begin at 8:30 A.M.
 Producers will have the opportunity to view the variety plots, and receive the latest update on the current wheat crop situation. In addition to the viewing of the variety plots, Dr. Billy Warrick, Extension Agronomist from San Angelo will discuss the topic of weed & wild oat control. Dr. Warrick will review the herbicides available and explain how producers can avoid the weed and wild oat problems from occurring next growing season.

Dr Chris Sansone, Extension Entomologist from San Angelo will be on hand to give an overview of insect pest and their control. Dr. Gaylon Morgan, Assistant Professor and State Extension Small Grains Specialist will discuss varieties and No-till production results.
 The tour will conclude with an industry-sponsored lunch at the Eula Lions Club. At this location Texas Department of Agriculture will give an update on Texas Herbicide Laws and Regulations.
 Three CEU's will be awarded to holders of a Texas Department of Agriculture Applicators Licence.
 If attending, contact the Extension Office in Taylor County (672-6048), Callahan County (854-5835) or Shackelford County (762-2232)
 Submitted by Robert Pritz
 County Extension Agent

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COURTHOUSE NEWS

COUNTY COURTHOUSE
 Roger Corn, Presiding

Misdemeanor Filings
 Yolanda Avalos, failure to identify.
 Allen B. Pugh, assault.
 Domenic J. Rotondo, possession of marijuana.
 Manuel J. Cantu III, driving while intoxicated (DWI).
 Keith A. Blair, DWI.
 Manuel Delgado, DWI.
 Billy D. Smith, DWI.
 Gerald Brown Jr., Ct. I - DWI, Ct. II - obstructing highway.
 Kevin Ray Williams, driving while license invalid (DWLI).
 Cody R. Gonzalez, theft.
 Timothy A. Houlihan, theft.
 Jon L. McNabb, assault.

Misdemeanor Minutes
 Justin Rodriguez, correction to last weeks minutes, plea of guilty to Ct. II - obstructing a highway, 1 year probation, \$1500 fine, \$256 court cost, NOT GUILTY to Ct. I - DWI.
 Carla Biehl, correction to last weeks minutes, plea of guilty to Ct. II-obstruction of a highway, 15 month probation, \$750 fine, \$256 court cost, NOT GUILTY to Ct. I - DWI.
 J.R. Webb, motion and affidavit of surety for warrant granted.
 Jesse Buckley, transfer request from Bandera Co. to Wichita Co. granted.
 Melissa Thomas, motion to dismiss motion to revoke probation granted.
 Robert M. Sterling, motion to dismiss to criminal trespass granted for plea to other case.
 Ricky D. Phillips, motion to dismiss to theft by check granted, paid restitution.

Civil Filings
 Jack Lee Eppard and Charla Faye Eppard, divorce.
 Steven Andrew Smith and Amy Rochelle Smith, divorce.
 Cynthia Cranford and Genesis Chaqas, divorce.

Civil Minutes
 Marcia Coffey and David Coffey, divorce granted.

MARRIAGE LICENSES
 Sean E. Conway of Waco and Crystal A. Davis of Cross Plains.

42nd DISTRICT COURT
 John Weeks, presiding

Criminal Indictments
 Joseph Lee Williams, assault against public servant.

Criminal Minutes
 Herman B. Hearn, plea of guilty to theft of firearm, 1 year in prison, \$264 court costs.
 Scottie L. Hood, plea of guilty to theft, 3 year probation, \$500 fine, \$316 court costs.
 Muy Hoan Lao, order discharging defendant from probation under deferred adjudication.

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Jim Senkel, Pastor
 Church 254-725-7377 Cell 325-280-8480

First Baptist Church
Sunday
 9:45 am Bible Study
 11 am & 6 pm Worship
Wednesday
 6:30 pm Prayer/Worship
 Ronnie B. White, Pastor
 (254) 725-7629
 3rd & Main, Cross Plains, TX 76443

COTTONWOOD NEWS

BY WALLACE BENNETT

Three Stars in Cottonwood Skies

Frances (Wilson) Thornton and Claud Champion have been selected as main speakers for the 2007 version of the Annual Membership Meeting of the Cottonwood Historical Association. It will take place this Saturday, May 5th at the Cottonwood Community Center. Visiting over a cup of coffee begins at 9:00 a.m. and the meetings begin at 10:00 a.m.

Frances and Claud were contemporary students who lived in Cottonwood and expected to have some exciting stories and interesting facts about living in Cottonwood at that time.

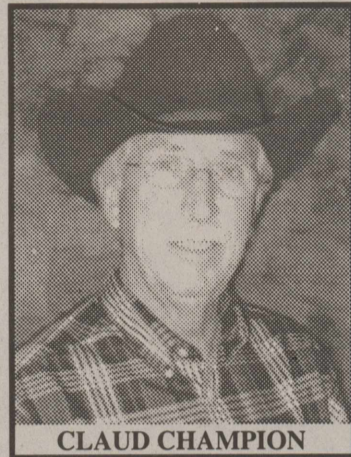
The meeting will also introduce "Cottonwood's My Home" Cookbook to the visitors attending and brisk sale of the book is expected.

The cookbook was authorized by last year's membership meeting as a fund-raiser for restoration of the old Cottonwood Methodist Episcopal Church South, and will be presented by the Cookbook Committee.

All current and former residents of the Cottonwood area invited and encouraged to attend to meet their new neighbors and



FRANCES (WILSON) THORNTON



CLAUD CHAMPION

visit with old friends. Lunch follows the business meeting and speakers. Meat and drinks will be supplied by the Historical Committee and area residents are asked to bring one covered dish or dessert to share with all.

Putnam Homecoming Scheduled for Saturday May 5th at Old School

The Putnam Homecoming will be held on Saturday, May 5th, with activities at the Putnam School building. Everyone is invited to come and visit with former classmates and friends.

Visiting and fellowship will be from 9:00 a.m. until 11:30 a.m. Benton Pruet and John Doyle will host the hospitality room.

Lunch at 11:30 p.m. will consist of barbecue sandwiches, chips and drinks. There will be no charge for the lunch. Donations will be accepted.

The afternoon session will be-

gin at 12:30 p.m. in the school auditorium. George Ramsey will serve as Master of Ceremonies. The program will include some ex-students sharing memories of their school days at Putnam.

The 1956 and 1957 Classes will be recognized as the 50 Year Class.

Carl White will present the 2007 Homecoming King and Queen.

Farrell Thorpe will recognize all veterans in attendance.

You are invited to come out and visit with friends and have a good time.

SENIOR CITIZENS MENU

MAY 7 - 11

MONDAY - Chili Cheese Dog on Bun, Baked Beans, Coleslaw w/ Raisins, Peas

TUESDAY - Chicken & Dumplings, Buttered Carrots, Pea Salad, Applesauce, Bread

WEDNESDAY - Oven Baked Fish, Rice Pilaf, Broccoli Salad,

Bread Pudding, Wheat Bread

THURSDAY - Swiss Steak, Buttered Pasta, Steamed Mixed Vegetables, Chocolate Chip

Cookie, Bread

FRIDAY - Chef Salad (Ham-Egg-Cheese), Baked Potato, Mixed

Fruit, Crackers



Make Plans to Attend the 68th Annual Meeting on April 26th at our New Location! Watch for more details in you April Co-op Power Magazine

BREAKTHRU

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



If a doctor posted a sign, saying, "Only for people who are well," we'd wonder if the doctor didn't need a doctor himself, of the kind who has you to "lie down on the couch"!

The Great Physician was attacked by the Jewish leaders of His day for eating with those they deemed "socially sick" — the "publicans and other sinners." When Jesus heard about it, He said to them, "Those who are well have no need of a physician, but those who are sick." Then the application/point: "I did not come to call the righteous, but sinners, to repentance" (Mark 2:17).

The scribes and Pharisees' main problem was that they were self-pronounced righteous. Jesus called sinners to be made righteous, rather than because they were righteous. Ones are made righteous by a proper faith response to His righteousness and what it afforded through the shedding of His blood.

How is it with you, health-wise — spiritually health-wise? Come share in periods of life-changing Bible study and worship with us - as "we keep working on that." 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

City Reminds Residents of the Lawn Mowing Ordinance #2001-001

The City Council of the City 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 States 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 expenses in correcting any condition coming under the provisions of this article, including the administrative 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 filing, the city shall have a 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 all property owners abide by the ordinance and avoid the city taking action and placing liens against their property.

Respectfully,
Mayor and City Council

LIBRARY NOTES

Library Stats
April 23 - 27th

Patrons	83
Programs	35
LAP	8
Lapsit	4
Books Checked Out	64
Copies	8
Internet Users	35
ILL	1

Donations: David and Vickie L. Wilson, Gary Henkel, Joe Brown, Exxon Mobil Foundation

Memorials: Wilma Lawrence in memory of Lois Bushnell; Wanda Merryman in memory of Louise Foster, Dr. A.L. and Wilma Tarleton, James Lawrence, Glen Payne, Margaret Holm, and Katherine Barrington

Honorariums: Wanda Merryman in honor of Roy and Marie Stambaugh

Books Donated: Scarlett Koettel.

Scranton Musical set for May 5th

The Scranton Musical will be Saturday, May, 5th at the Scranton Community Center. The kitchen will begin serving at 5:30 p.m. Sarah Matthews and Ann Etta Dunning will be hostesses.

The music begins at 6:00. All area musicians are invited to play. Mark Ray is the emcee. Musicians may call 325-692-2057 to reserve a time for your group. We have musicians already signed up so come out to enjoy a good meal and a night of enjoyable music.

Submitted by: Joanie Shrader



Thank You
God For
The
Healing
Rain

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PIONEER NEWS

The quilting girls had another good quilting day. This week we should have Olena's top finished. We will still be working on Sheryl's top. We will put in about two more before the summer break. Charlene didn't feel like coming to quilting. We missed Lou, also. Didn't know why she wasn't there. She is really a fast quilter. All who do not come are missed. The weather ran us off early again today.

It is only a month away until we have the Memorial Service at the Pioneer Cemetery. Put it on your calendar.

Glenda Phillips said she sure missed the ballgames. Logan helped Glenda in her yard on Saturday. He picked up lots of pine cones and Glenda picked up sticks and limbs from the trees. (Those pine cones will come in

handy next winter when the club makes a fire in the heater.) Thanks, Logan! Every time the wind blows hard it is all to do over again! Glenda really appreciates Logan's help. Glenda had lunch with Allen, Janice, and family on Sunday. Janice always has a really good lunch.

James and Jean had their grandsons over the weekend. Their grandson, Will, will be graduating from ACU in about two weeks. Jack lives in Dallas. James and Jean look forward to them coming out.

Wow! What a good rain we had last night. It should really make the costal grass grow. Everything looks so fresh!

Do not forget to go out and vote for the School Board members. See you next week!

Barb's Cues

By Barbara Holmes Worcester

To Achieve Your Dreams
Remember Your ABC's

From the Internet

Avoid negative sources, people, places, things and habits.

Believe in yourself. Consider things from every angle.

Don't give up and don't give in.

Enjoy life today, yesterday is gone and tomorrow may never come.

Family and Friends are hidden treasures, seek them and enjoy their riches.

Give more than you planned to.

Hang on to your dreams. Ignore those who try to discourage you.

Just do it.

Keep trying no matter how hard it seems, it will get easier.

Love yourself first and foremost.

Make it happen.

Never lie, cheat or steal, always strike a fair deal.

Open your eyes and see things as they really are.

Practice makes perfect.

Quitters never win and winners never quit.

Read study and learn about everything important in life.

Stop procrastinating.

Take control of your own destiny.

Understand yourself in order to understand others.

Visualize it.

Want it more than anything.

Xccelerate your efforts.

You are unique of all God's creations nothing can replace you.

Zero in on your target and go for it!

One very important thing in achieving your goals is to SET GOALS. I would suggest reading this list again and think WHAT do I plan to do. Preferably, write it down or tell someone. Then plan HOW you are proposing to achieve your goals. The next proposal is WHEN you plan to start, preferably soon. Each time you try and succeed, even a little bit, write it in your journal. I suggest as a first step you get a small spiral notebook and put it in your purse or other handy place. Men can slip it into their shirt pocket. THEN WRITE IN IT. If you jot down a phone number put it in your journal. Don't tear out the pages just flip them over. Then a week from now when you think "where did I put so and so's number" it will be right there for you. You will be surprised how proud you will be when you take a positive step or find a number right there waiting for you. Don't feel bad about using a shopping list or other things you write down. Henry Ford said he never tried to remember information his secretary could get for him. Writing in your book is like having your own secretary. Our minds are much too important to clutter up with insignificant things. Instead of trying to remember what you wanted at the store and berating your self because you can't think of it, just flip the page in your notebook and find it. These holiday times are just too full for us to try to remember the little things. PLAN YOUR LIST AND LIST YOUR PLAN.

BHW

Callahan County DPS Report

Calls received by the Callahan County Department of Public Safety from April 22, 2007 through April 28, 2007 include:

Cases Investigated

Warnings—80
Complaints—88
DWI—2
Evading Arrest or Detention—1

Unauthorized Use of Motor Vehicle—1
Possession of Prohibited Weapon—1

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

ATTENTION CITIZENS OF CROSS PLAINS

Four years ago the Citizens of Cross Plains passed a 1/4 % Street Maintenance Sales Tax that provides revenue for repair to city streets. This tax is not only paid by the local citizens, but anyone purchasing anything taxable in Cross Plains, pays the tax. This means that even the passer through pays this tax which supports local road infrastructure.

The sales tax generates approximately \$17,000.00 annually. This revenue has significantly helped with the upkeep and continued paving project that the city is involved in. Without the additional revenue, maintenance would be all the city could fund on its own. The Mayor and council ask that you consider voting "for" the tax in May 12th election.

If you have any questions concerning the tax, please contact City Hall for additional information.

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Guidelines for Developing the Cross Plains Athletic Program Presented at Board Meeting

One of the Erik Erikson's (a well-known psychologist) great contributions to psychology was his insight that the formation of identity is the primary task of adolescence. Adolescence is the most critical time for human developments in American culture because it is absolutely necessary for a youth to forge the sense of self that will eventually empower him or her to leave the family and begin functioning as an adult in the larger community. It is important that each person have a developmental foundation in childhood that includes an environment that provided affection, security, stimulation, structure and a sense of limits. Children need adults who can be trusted to provide such an environment. Teens lacking the psychological and educational tools, confidence and motivation to give birth to themselves, will tend to resolve the issue of identity by giving to a wide variety of social offspring, not the least of which is sometimes children. In our current cultural environment families are frequently compromised by poverty, divorce, alcoholism, sexual and physical abuse, violence, or more frequently, simply the absence of enough parental attention. When any of these factors are present, basic developmental needs are likely to go unmet. Poor schools, neighborhoods that encourage and support aberrant social behavior and offspring, and weak community support compound the problem. As teenagers, these developing adults often have no adults they can trust, or they learn to trust the wrong people. They lack positive role models to inspire them to appropriate challenges that will help them build skills and competencies. They have inadequate cognitive and spiritual tools for developing a viable vision for their future, and they typically suffer lack of confidence and self-esteem. All such factors inhibit a teenager's ability to develop the sense of self he or she will need at adolescence making a proper transition into adulthood. Erikson further stipulated that identity is not

something that is given to an individual, but rather it is something that is acquired through sustained personal effort, and it is imperative that a culture provide a moratorium—a period of time in which they are provided with and take advantage of—opportunities to experiment with the diverse aspects of life, explore alternatives, and explore various roles under the supervision and guidance of trusted adults so they can become responsible choicemakers. Although our culture has lost sight of how to provide a time out for forming identity, the process is an ancient one, and can be rediscovered and implemented. Trends can be reversed. Irresponsible behavior is not a random, uncontrollable, or inevitable occurrence. We can intervene effectively in the lives of young people to reduce and/or prevent their involvement in appropriate behavior patterns. In this regard the school remains the institution to which parents look for help in their daily struggle to do the best for their children. It is the place where the campaign against inadequate developmental foundations and conditionings, and where the campaign for adequate and appropriate developmental programs can be implemented that will insure the mental, psychological, and social readiness for teenagers to enter an adult world of interaction and respect without leaving to resort to violence, borrowed energy in any of its various forms such as drugs, alcohol, etc.), or aberrant behavior of any type. With that in mind, any prospective program for Cross Plains students/athletes should be instructed by, but not limited to, the following considerations:

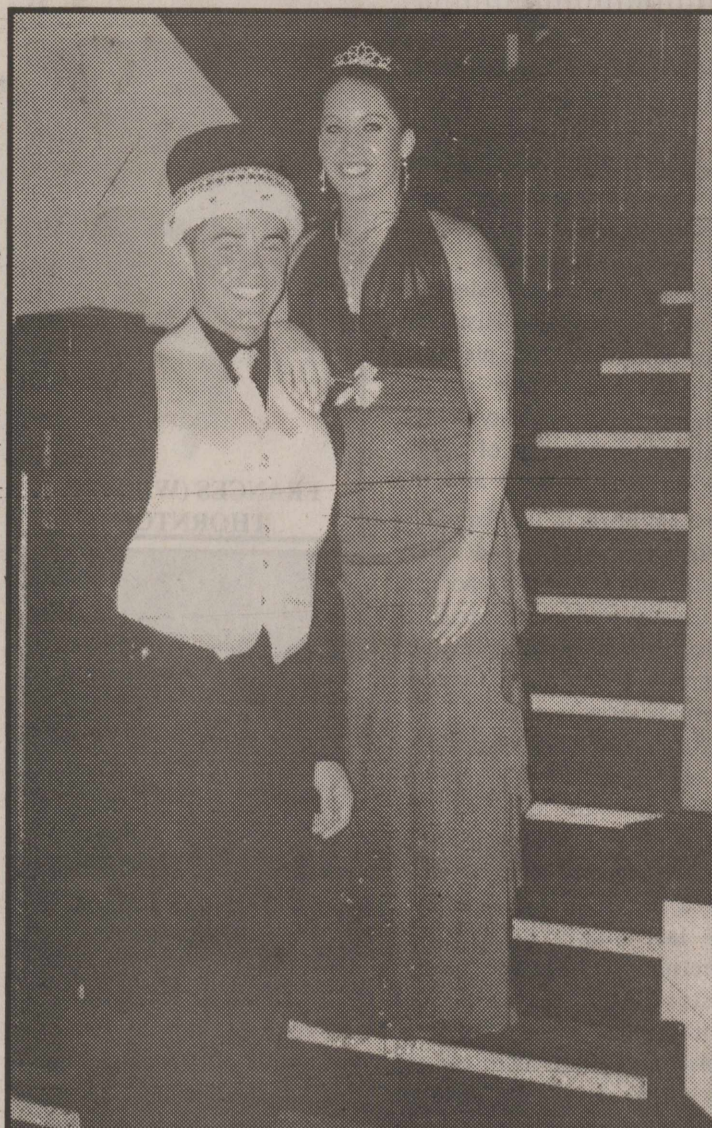
- *Building a viable program requires first, and foremost, the hiring of competent, responsible accountable leaders capable of working well together, relating well to student athletes, dealing with conflict and dissatisfied parents and students, creating and implementing a program that will inspire participation,

discovering means of motivating students to participate and be committed to the program. These leaders should be role models in classroom, on the field, and in behavior.

- *Lay a foundation of realistic, but high, expectations in the classroom and on all fields of athletic competition. No student is a born loser, but all students are born choosers. Students and particularly student/athletes should be made aware that they are choosing to be different and this requires dedication, sacrifice, commitments of time and energy that lead to responsible adults. Motivation should be both extrinsic (physical signs of rewarding proper conduct and performance) and intrinsic (teaching programs that require student reflection).
- *Develop and carry out an intense effort to raise awareness among parents, teachers, coaches and administration on the range of influence as trusted adults and provide ways of clarifying roles of each in a community based support system for a cultural time-out period for Cross Plains Teenagers.
- *Clarification of an accountability process within the program.
- *Foster a "Big Brother/Big Sister" mentality with responsible upperclassmen.
- *An organized program for elementary through high school that includes an over-all plan of purpose and vision, that include daily organized workouts in each sport.
- *Develop goals that reflect character and perseverance in the face of an adversity, counter influences, opposition, or discouragement. This may include the implementation of successful programs such as Character Counts, or those successfully carried out in Schulenburg and Rio Vista, Texas.
- *Be responsible for a physical environment that inspires pride, self-discipline and responsibility on part of every student/athlete.
- *Implement feed-back loops among teachers, administrators, and community. These may include some type of "booster clubs", parental education channel, information flyers, etc.

*This program should be a disciplined program. Discipline means in this context means teaching and enforcing proper conduct. This is basic goodness of humanity in action. Proper conduct is that which overcomes petty self-interests. In athletics a relationship is formed between the form of the game and our interactions with others. Many have said that life is 10 percent what happens to you and 90 percent how you react to it. When frustration arises, it becomes the working basis for teaching and developing discipline. By applying generosity of time and spirit, ethics, patience, exertion, equanimity, insight or wisdom, and persistence we can transcend pettiness and irritation that leads to negative attitudes and behavior. How we respond to the things that happen in athletics is the means of cultivating a confident attitude.

- *The program should include a knowledge component. All coaches and student/athletes should be expected to know proper conduct, fundamentals of the game, and the particular form the coaches have installed to achieve goals of the team. This probably would include a playbook, examinations, etc.
- *The program would not be complacent regarding cynicism, and attitudes of disruption by people dissatisfied with themselves. This does not mean diversity of thought and action is to be squelched. It does mean that commitment to the program is expected and taught.
- *Attitude is crucial to genuine participation and success of program. Believing in what we are doing is of utmost importance and this unwavering attitude must be exemplified from the top down. Example from coaches and teachers is non-negotiable.
- *Affirmation and communal support is imperative. Coaches, students/athletes, and administrators must be publicly commended for their dedication, hard work, and sacrifice in implementing such a program.
- *A hiring process that includes a community component.
- *A supportive evaluation process that includes a community component.



2007 PROM KING AND QUEEN—The 2007 Prom Queen was Karen Scott and the King was Russell Thomas. A good time was had by all at the Prom which was held at the Grace Museum in Abilene.

Beta Sigma Phi Wants You for Their Scholarship Contest

Is college in your future? Are you seeking a career in a technical trade? Perhaps you are hoping to succeed in the arts? Are you attending school now and are planning on attending next semester?

If you are graduating from Cross Plains High School in 2007 OR if you are a graduate of Cross Plains High School and are returning college student, we would like to hear from you!

From now until May 4, 2007 we are accepting applications for our scholarship that will be announced on May 11, 2007. The scholarship is in the amount of \$500.

Seniors may pick up an application from Ms. Dora Warlick in the Cross Plains High School Counselor's office or contact her at 254-725-6121. Other applicants can also stop by the CPHS counselor's office to pick up an application or you may contact Jane Bonner at 254-725-6257 for an application to be mailed to you.

This annual scholarship is made possible through community support of various events sponsored by Beta Sigma Phi Sorority.

Do not forget.....the deadline to submit your application for this scholarship is May 7, 2007.

Submitted by Jane Bonner

Sophomore Class Fund-Raiser

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Friday, May 4th

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MAY 7 - 11

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TUESDAY - Waffle Sticks, Sausage, Assorted Juice	TUESDAY - Steak Fingers w/ Gravy, Green Beans, Mashed Potatoes, Rolls, Peaches
WEDNESDAY - Sausage-n-Blanket, Assorted Juice	WEDNESDAY -Fiesta Salad (Chili Beans, Corn Chips), Rice, Salad, Pineapples
THURSDAY - Cereal, Toast, Assorted Juice	THURSDAY -Lasagna or Corn Dogs, Meadow Blend Veg., Bread Stick, Pears
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Crowd enjoys author Ben Rehder

In spite of the threatening weather and the rumbling of thunder, a nice group gathered to meet author, Ben Rehder last week. Sponsored by the Cross Plains Public Library, the Meet the Author event provides the opportunity for local and area patrons to personally meet and visit with a wide variety of published writers.

Rehder grew up in the Austin area and, like most Texas boys, enjoyed a lot of hunting, fishing, camping and all the related outdoor activities. But he also enjoyed reading mystery and suspense stories by such authors as John Grisham, Stephen King and Carl Hiaason. Couple all these experiences with a degree in English and some writing for an ad agency and you have a fledging writer in the making.

When the idea of writing a real story finally became a personal goal, Rehder said he just naturally knew it would have to combine all those outdoor life elements. Blanca County became a natural fictional setting with its hunting and fishing environment. But

with his sense of humor and the addition of a game warden figure, he had his formula — comic crime.

To get a real feel for the role of the game warden, he actually spent quite a bit of time riding with a full time warden. From this advantage point, he heard a bunch of stories about crazy things that a warden encounters on a regular basis with poachers, drunken hunters and just the outrageous activities of "people in the wild".

"Getting published is not for the faint of heart," Rehder cautioned. "You have to leave your ego at the door", he continued, as he said it took him 20 months and 120 rejection slips, to land an agent for his first book, *Buck Fever*. It had also taken him 20 months to write that first story. But, finally with an enthusiastic editor and agent in hand and a contract for more Blanco County Mysteries, he was on his way to being a highly successful author.

Buck Fever was followed with four additional stories with the same cast of offbeat characters and John Marlin, Game Warden

extraordinaire, who solves all the mysteries with his uncanny knowledge of the intricacies of small-town Texas life styles. He is working on a couple other story ideas; one dealing with dinosaur bones being discovered on a church building site and one with a female detective loosely attached to a Junior League environment.

Judy Luter, President of the Cross Plains Library Board, concluded the evening with a quick-witted response that "although Ben is just *Flat Crazy*, he's not a *Bone Dry* speaker. Ya'll don't be *Gun Shy* now, go on back and buy a book or you'll take a *Guilt Trip* home with you. And *Holy Moley*, we've got refreshments also."

She also introduced the new Library Director, Linda Burns, and invited everybody to a reception honoring both Linda and retiring Director, Cherry Shults, Thursday afternoon, May 3, from 2:00 - 4:00 p.m. at the public library.

Submitted by
Arlene Stephenson

Marriage Started with Bold Move The True Love Story of a Former Resident

By Kathleen Green
Special Contributor
The Dallas Morning News

Dorothy Haley and Paul Smith never had a first date. They never had any dates, for that matter. But after 57 years of marriage, it all seems to have worked out.

The young missionaries met at a Wycliffe Bible Translators conference in August 1949 in Siloam Springs, Ark. Dorothy was to leave shortly for mission work in Peru. Paul had plans to translate the Scripture for indigenous people in Mexico.

"There were a number of single girls at the conference," Paul says, "and Dorothy was the most beautiful one of all. She was the only one I was interested in. But I didn't think I had a chance with her because she was older." He was 23; she 25.

They seldom were together those three weeks, but when Dorothy got in line for coffeecake behind Paul, he knew it was his chance to meet her. After being introduced by a mutual friend, they talked.

As the conference ended, Paul was asked at the last minute to join a missionary presentation at Dorothy's hometown church in Gravette, Ark. Paul was stunned when Dorothy went to the pulpit to speak and said, "I am not sure the Lord wants me to go to Peru." He knew he couldn't let this opportunity slip away. "I was so impressed with her," he says.

Paul then made one of the boldest decisions of his life. On his way home to Cross Plains, Texas, he mailed Dorothy a carefully worded letter that contained a marriage proposal. He waited for two weeks while a shocked Dorothy decided what to do.

"I thought he was a nice guy," she says. "It just hadn't occurred

to me that he felt anything special for me."

Her written response, "We've got to talk," had Paul on a bus to Gravette in record time. After a lot of soul-searching, they knew they were meant to be. Paul and Dorothy married on a snowy night in November 1949 at Gravette Bible Church. They headed to Mexico City that December to study Spanish for a few months.

The newlyweds settled in Ojitlan, Oaxaca, near a Chinantec village, to do translation work. Paul traveled around Mexico, Central America and South America on photography assignments, too.

He was amazed at what a trouper Dorothy was as they traveled to remote places and were exposed to tropical illnesses.

"I grew up on a farm, so we didn't have a lot of modern conveniences," Dorothy says. "That made it easier for me to adapt to village life."

They lived in primitive conditions in a thatched hut with a dirt floor. And when Dorothy became pregnant the next year, they moved to mission housing until twins Marvin and Marlene were born in November 1951. They headed back to the village within a few months. Despite having their hands full with two babies in harsh day-to-day living, Paul and Dorothy took it in stride.

"We didn't get any sleep," she says. "It was difficult, but they survived and we survived."

Their daughter Becky was born in October 1953 and son Greg in November 1957.

Paul and Dorothy faced one of the biggest scares of their marriage 11 days after Greg's birth. Dorothy almost bled to death from internal hemorrhaging. She needed blood

desperately, and she worried that Paul would be left to raise four children. Remarkably, Paul's blood was a match.

"I donated a pint," he says. "They told me to rest, but I said, 'I've got to go find some more blood.' Paul roused people out of bed, most certainly saving his wife's life.

Paul and Dorothy continued with their missionary work, moving to the town of Puebla so their kids could attend school. Then during a yearlong furlough in Arkansas, Gabriel was born in September 1962. After they returned to Mexico, Paul Cameron was born in May 1966.

Paul and Dorothy completed their translation work the next year. They loaded the six kids into a 1964 Pontiac Catalina and headed to California for Paul's new photography job at the mission's headquarters. After a while Paul started a company called Bible Translations on Tape.

In 1974, he moved his family and the company to Cedar Hill, where he retired in 1988.

The kids are grown now. Marvin and Becky have followed in their parent's footsteps and work as missionaries. And although Paul's 15-year struggle with Parkinson's disease has ended their travel adventures, he and Dorothy, 83, don't seem to mind. For their 50th wedding anniversary, Paul and Dorothy chronicles their adventures in *An Odyssey of Two Soul Mates*, book for their children.

"This odyssey of two soul mates isn't over till it's over, and we are enjoying every minute of it," says Paul, 81.

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LAP and Lapsit children at local library.

Library Celebrates Closing of this Year's Programs for Young Readers of our Community

If you saw large bubbles drifting and blowing across the city last Wednesday morning, it was because of the celebration at the Cross Plains Public Library of the LAP and Lapsit programs.

The year ended with both groups and their parents getting together to celebrate the very successful and exciting time of learning at the library, singing the educational songs taught them

this year by dedicated and talented volunteers. Beverly Ross, Sue Bennett and Bobbye Hinkle inspired and instructed the three year olds and up, and Deanna Black, Judy Kilgo and Cherry Shults guided the little ones under three years old in their discovery of songs and stories. Lavonne Childress assisted by checking in and out books selected by the children.

The future bookworms and their mothers were awarded certificates for participating in the programs. Everyone enjoyed refreshments of cookies, ice cream and punch served to them in the park beside the library, while the massive bubbles flowed into the neighborhood by the wind.

The programs are scheduled to resume next fall at the library.

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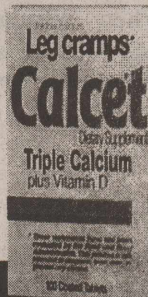
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Several years teaching at the Elementary & Secondary Levels;
Several years as an Appointee with the Ronald Reagan Administration;
Quite a number of years as an Official with The Social Security Administration

Currently: Retired

Personal: Member of Coggin Avenue Baptist Church in Brownwood, TX;
Member Beta Sigma Phi Service Sorority;
2 children, 4 stepchildren, 15 grandchildren and One Grand Husband!

Political Advertisement Paid By Jane Holmes, P.O. Box 117, Cross Plains, Texas 76443

"From Ashes to Beauty" Tour of Homes

Saturday, May 12th



HOME OF WANDA MERRYMAN
(Tour pictures courtesy of David Holmes.)

Tour the Home of Wanda Merryman

When the home of Wanda and R.C. Merryman burned they thought they had lost everything. They didn't. Although RC was very sick, they escaped and stayed in a motel for several weeks. They didn't know it then but even though they lost all material things, they gained many new friends.

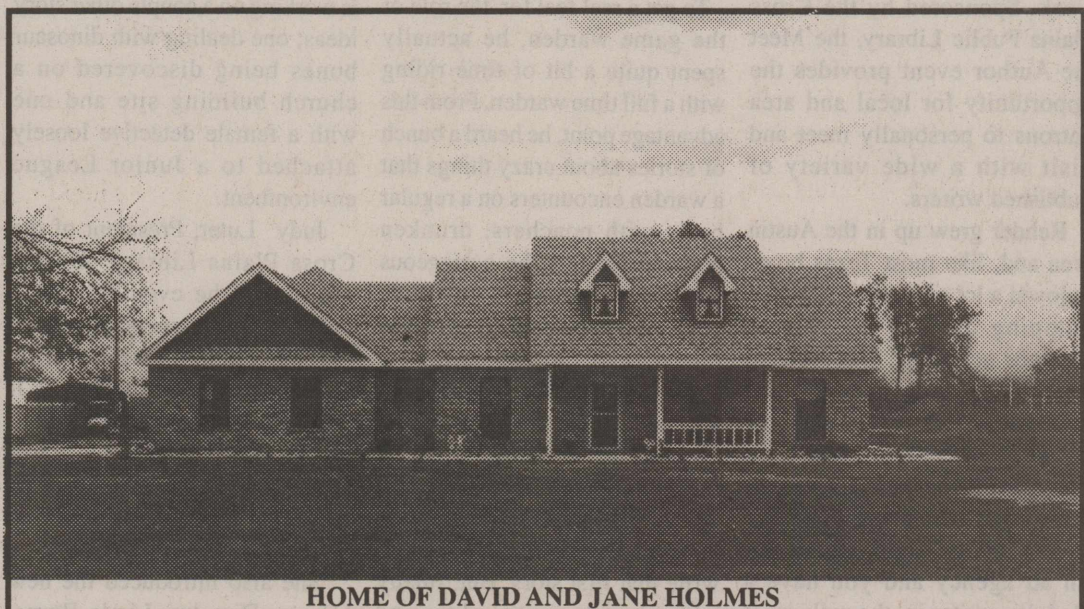
R.C. decided that he did not want Wanda to go through building a new home so he decided to buy one already built. Trudy Burk helped with the paperwork and soon she and R.C. owned a new house.

When Wanda moved into her new home she had two

mattresses, two box springs, a TV and a very sick husband. Wanda's sister, Mary Byrd of Clarmont, was with her all the time. Mary helped with R.C. and with the new house. Soon there was good news—a family from Wichita Falls donated a truck load of furniture and the house was practically furnished. There also was bad news; Wanda's husband of 56 years went home to be with the Lord.

By her side was Mary Byrd, her sister; the sisters of Beta Sigma Phi; all her many friends; ladies of the Church of Christ who located a "needs" house at the old nursing home; and First Baptist

Church who was feeding her (and many others). The location of the house turned out better than she thought. It was centrally located for friends and family. It has three bedrooms and two baths, living room, dining room, and small sitting room. Wanda had to paint a few rooms and rebuild the pantry to house a washer and dryer. She still has some drapes to put up but her home is essentially finished. The fence, damaged by a fire truck, is fixed and takes care of her friend "Roscoe". Wanda says she, "finally calls it home" and invites everyone to visit her during the Tour of Homes, May 12, 2007.



HOME OF DAVID AND JANE HOLMES

Come View the Holmes Home

David and Nelda Holmes lived in the same house here in Cross Plains for 28 years. Nelda went home to the Lord in mid 2000. Being the marrying kind, David went looking and married Jane Alford Coleman and brought her to that same house to live. The house was comfortable and easy to care for. When the fire came, the entire house was ash. Also on the property was David's double wide office which also became ash. On another part of the property over 300 large round bales burned for days. And last of all, his escaping cattle had to be put down from smoke inhalation. It was a sad day, but God, in His infinite mercy, moved not only on us but all of Cross Plains.

We joined the many in evacuating Cross Plains as the sky turned red at sunset. We had no idea what we would find when we returned. We left for Brownwood with some family photos, family jewelry, and 4 dogs. Can you imagine holding a Golden Retriever in your lap to Brownwood? Dogs were dropped off at our son Leland's home in Brownwood and we checked into a motel.

During that first week, David

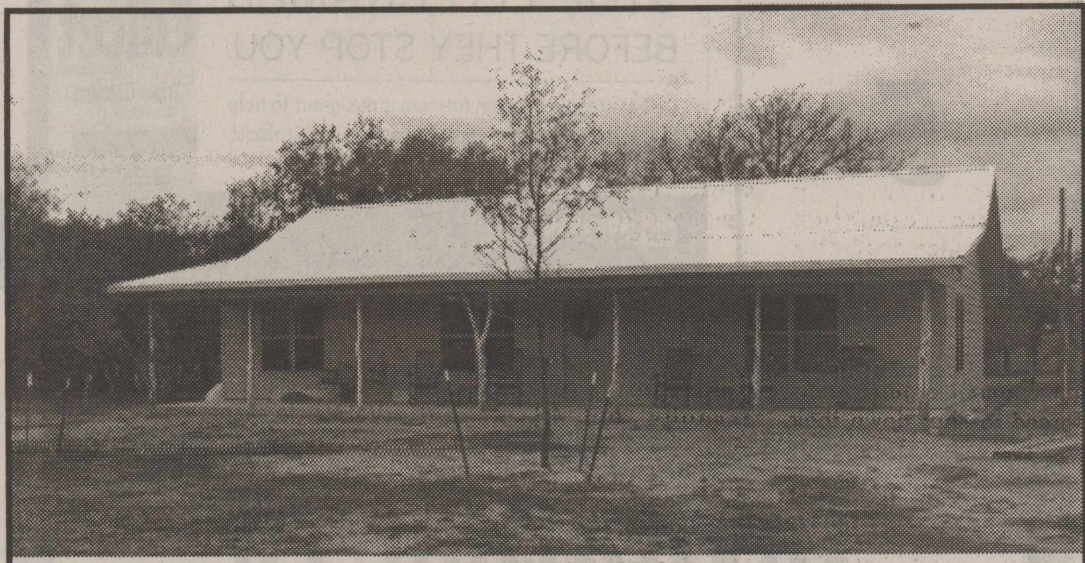
set up an office with 2 saved computers at the home of Astrid Crouch, his Administrative Assistant. She and Sherry Wyatt kept things running while David looked for more permanent quarters. A Beta Sigma Phi sister Sharon Davis and her husband Bill offered us their hunting lodge and we gratefully accepted. We were there for 3 months. In the meantime David rented a construction trailer from Dallas for the office and purchased a double wide for a home while the "real" home was being built. Minimal furniture was bought for the double wide which would later move to the house. Upon completion of the home it took 1/2 day to move everything from the double wide and the rest of the day to move the office into the double wide.

Gregory Custom Homes built the Holmes home on the same lot as the old house. Building was under the watchful eye of David and they did an excellent job. Special features in the house include 9' ceilings, 3 bedrooms, 2 baths, a study, and open living room, dining room, and kitchen. The kitchen has special cabinetry with glass fronts on the first row and a higher second row of closed

cabinets. The extra bedrooms are set up as Jane's study/crafts and David's study/gym. The master bedroom is quite large with a large bath suite. A fully tiled separate shower adjoins double vanities, double walk-in closets, and a whirlpool tub.

There are porches on the front and back of this home and a sidewalk all the way around. Between the sidewalk and the house are lots and lots of rocks. This presents a 5-6' fire barrier with no brush. They hope there's never another fire but if there is the Holmes' might gain a few minutes.

The Holmes would like to thank the First Baptist Church for feeding them, the Church of Christ for helping clothe them and all of the wonderful workers from the City/County who helped with the clean up. Additionally, they wish to thank Antiques and Furniture and Texas Furniture, both of Brownwood, for discounts and free delivery. Finally, they want to thank everyone who helped them or anyone else who lost everything. It shows a great triumph of spirit when a town works together. For Jane, Cross Plains is finally home.



HOME OF NORA ODOM

Visit the Home of Nora Odom

Nora Odom's new home reminds me of the old fashioned barn raisin' — everybody helped! It is a country home with a large front porch, Hardyboard siding and Gaveloom roof. Cedar posts from Sharon and Richard Parr of Cottonwood hold up the front porch. The porch houses rocking chairs, a swing, and ceiling fans. It's a favorite place to meditate and count her blessings.

Some blessings that walk on two feet were: Dale Mitchell, friends and neighbors who poured the foundation. Melrose, New Mexico Baptist Church arrived on March 30 and began popping lines. Within 48 hours, Nora had a roof. The Baptist Builders arrived a few days later and worked tirelessly. Former pastor John and Mary Wade donated

all electrical work and Bob and Delores Carter were always there for the "extras". The real mainstays throughout this ordeal have been Nora's sister Diane and her husband Jerry Mobley, as well as her good friend Judy Luter. When she had no strength to go on, they were always there.

Something you won't see on the Tour of Homes is the many scripture verses and blessings written on studs, floors and walls. Many friends, family and even Nora's third grade class ('05-'06) wrote scriptures and words of encouragement. That way Nora will always be surrounded by blessings and love.

Nora's home is filled with European antiques and rugs. You will be very pleased with her decor. One of the most

interesting pieces is a "gossip bench" — whatever will Nora do with that? Another most interesting aspect is the "safe room". Built of rebar and concrete it serves as Nora's closet until she needs it. It is small and will be very crowded with Nora, two dachshund and two large labs. Hope it's a short emergency!

The house has 3 bedrooms, 2 baths, living room, and large, open kitchen with dining area. All rooms are furnished with antiques, granite counter tops donated by Ricky Thomas, and exotic rugs.

Finally, all the photo albums which Nora was able to save are housed in a closet but are available for view at any time (presumably at the gossip bench!)

Oplin Fire Department Barbecue

The Oplin Volunteer Fire Department would like everyone to mark their calendars for Saturday, May 5, 2007. That's the day the Oplin VFD invites everyone out for a BBQ Brisket Sandwich Supper, and a little dancing after all the eating is over. Cost of the dinner (which includes a BBQ sandwich, chips, and coffee or iced tea) will be \$5.50 per person with desserts available for an extra charge. Dinner will be served beginning at 5:00 p.m.

Muddy Creek will be playing all your favorite dancing tunes at 7:30 p.m. until 10:30 p.m. Admission to our dance will be \$5 per person.

We will also be holding a huge bake sale during the dinner and dance with an auction being held during the dance for several especially delicious cakes baked by some of the finest bakers in our area.

Be sure and mark you calendars for May 5th, and come on out and show your support to the Oplin Volunteer Fire Department. Our department relies on the generosity of our community to continue to provide emergency fire and medical services whenever called upon.

So gather the family and all of your friends and come on out for an evening of lots of good food, friends and music.

For further information regarding this fundraiser, or to make donations, please contact Judi Campbell at 529-4301.

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Commissioners approve proceeding with grant for Community Health Center in Baird

Callahan County Commissioners voted to proceed with an application for a grant to implement a Community Health Center in Callahan County.

The commissioners' court took the action Wednesday, April 18th during a court meeting held at the Callahan County Courthouse in Baird.

Susan Jones of the Shackelford Stephens Community Health Center made a presentation to the commissioners' court about the Community Health Center. Similar health centers are currently located at Breckenridge and Albany.

Callahan County is one of the thirty-one counties in Texas on the list of high poverty counties as determined by the Texas HRSA. This "rating enables Callahan County to be eligible for the President's Health Centers Initiative. These health clinics serve the uninsured and underinsured residents of a county.

County Judge Roger Corn said if funded, the clinic would be located in Baird. He said Callahan County owns the old hospital building in Baird, however that building is now occupied by the Central Appraisal District and Texas Department of State Health Services. Judge Corn said the community health center is seeking someone to donate the use of the building.

These clinics are funded by a federal grant. New Access Point grant applications are due by May 23rd.

On a motion by Commissioner Harold Hicks and a second by Commissioner Cliff Kirkham, commissioners voted 4-0 for Shackelford Stephens Community Health Center to proceed with the application for a grant to implement a Community Health Center in Callahan.

Other agenda items brought before the commissioners' court included:

—Judge Roger Corn called the commissioners' court meeting to

order at 9:34 a.m. Present were Judge Corn, Commissioner Precinct #1 Harold Hicks, Commissioner Precinct #2 Bryan Farmer, Commissioner #4 Cliff Kirkham, County Treasurer Dianne Alexander, and County Clerk Donna Bell, Commissioner Precinct #3 Tommy Holland was absent from the meeting. Also

attending the meeting were Mandy Curry, Jana McCoy, Cami Robinson and Roy Chapman.

—Commissioners took no action following information concerning a Local Flood Disaster and the Federal Emergency Management Agency situation.

Weighing the financial impact of 2007 Farm Bill

LUBBOCK—As work in Washington continues on the 2007 Farm Bill, a new analysis on the effects of the proposed legislation reveals that cotton farmers will take a significant whack to the wallet if the law were to go forward as written.

Researchers with Texas Tech University's Cotton Economics Research Institute said today that net farm income for cotton would fall a stunning 15 percent during the first year under the new law, and continue to dip the next four, averaging an 11 percent decline over the five years.

According to their model, some of the major effects of the proposed 2007 Farm Bill would be: Direct payments, which is the amount cotton farmers get whether they plant cotton or not, would go up.

• The loan rate, or more simply put the cotton market's economic floor, would go down.

• Changes to the counter-cyclical program will result in lower payments.

• And, finally, the overall market price for cotton would go up.

The market price for U.S. cotton is expected to rise because of a reduction in overall acreage planted due to a loss of government support. In addition, the returns of other competing crops are predicted to be relatively high.

"Acreage declines are marginal, about 2.5 percent over a five year period," said Samarendu Mohanty, an agricultural economist and associate director of the institute.

"There's a big shift initially, and then smaller as farmers adapt."

The question is whether market prices will go up enough to compensate for the losses in government support for cotton, and the answer is no.

"We lose more in government support than we gain in increased market returns, and so cotton farmers are worse off by 11 percent over a five year period," said Mark Welch, a research scientist with the Cotton Economics Research Institute.

The Texas Tech World Fiber Model baseline projections are based on assumptions of nominal weather patterns and current farm policies, along with estimated economic fundamentals such as population and income growth, and prices for crops that would compete with cotton.

Among the factors not included in the researchers' model were unknown variables such as payment limitations and extra assistance to individuals just starting out in farming.

The Tech researchers said the world price for cotton during this five-year period will rise slightly, in part due to the small drop in U.S. production. If U.S. production acreage falls - even slightly - it will have ripple effect on the world market. Today, the U.S. is the second largest producer of cotton at 19 percent.

The Cotton Economics Research Institute provides cotton economic analysis for policy makers and others interested in agricultural economy. The group conducts economic research on all aspects of cotton production, marketing, trade and processing.

Texas FSA seeks proposals for new conservation initiative

(Baird, TX) — April 9, 2007— Texas Farm Service Agency (FSA) is asking federal, state and local agencies as well as private or non-profit organizations to submit proposals for a new 500,000-acre Conservation Reserve Program (CRP) program to improve habitat for high-priority wildlife species nationwide. Nearly 40,000 acres has been allocated to Texas.

"The State Areas for Wildlife Enhancement (SAFE) initiative provides an opportunity to develop grassroots conservation projects to address high priority wildlife needs through habitat restoration," said Robert Frost, Executive Director for the Callahan County FSA. "This initiative further extends the positive environmental impacts of the Conservation Reserve Program (CRP)." With more than 36 million acres enrolled, CRP is the nation's largest, voluntary private-lands conservation program. CRP practices improve water quality, air quality and wildlife habitat.

SAFE will enable the public, producers, state and federal

agencies, non-profit conservation organizations and others to propose areas where new CRP acreage may be established to address the habitat needs of endangered, threatened or high-priority fish and other wildlife species. In addition, conservation practices currently offered under CRP can be fine-tuned under SAFE to improve, connect or create higher-quality habitat to promote healthier ecosystems in areas identified as essential to effective species management.

Interested entities can submit a SAFE proposal for consideration to the local FSA Office or directly to the Texas FSA State Office attention: Sammy Orange, Conservation Chief; PO Box 2900, College Station, Texas 77841. Although no deadline for submitting proposals has been set, Frost encourages organizations to "act quickly."

"The national FSA office in Washington, D.C. has set a November 1st deadline for receipt of all state proposals," said Frost. "Because these proposals must go through a two-tier review process at the

state level prior to review in Washington, we would like to begin receiving proposals as soon as possible." Eligible landowners in approved SAFE areas may enter into new CRP contracts with USDA's Commodity Credit Corporation (CCC). Approved program participants will receive an annual CRP rental rate equivalent to soil rental rates for the county plus an annual maintenance payment. Also, the producer is eligible for cost-share assistance of up to 50 percent of eligible practice installation costs. In addition, producers will be eligible for a one-time payment of \$100 per acre signing Incentive Payment. Producers may also receive a practice incentive payment equal to 40 percent of the eligible establishment costs of the practice.

For SAFE proposal details and protocol, contact the Callahan County FSA at 325-854-1049 ext 2 or visit the national web site at: HYPERLINK "http://www.fsa.usda.gov" http://www.fsa.usda.gov; click on "Conservation Programs."

Gov. Perry Announces Border Security Surge Operations' Continued Success

AUSTIN — Gov. Rick Perry today announced the reduction of crime by 30 percent in the El Paso area during a recent border security operation known as Operation Wrangler III. Operation Wrangler III was a high-intensity surge operation that lasted 30 days in the El Paso border region.

"The success of this border security surge operation demonstrates once again that more boots on the ground, working together as a team, increases our safety and border security," Perry said. "When criminal organizations are forced to shut down their smuggling activities, our communities are safer, and the quality of life improves for all Texans."

As in previous state-led surge operations, the objective of Operation Wrangler III was to shut down organized smuggling activity between the Ports of Entry to prevent the illegal crossing of drugs, contraband and people into Texas. Local sheriffs' offices and police departments

worked side-by-side with their state and federal partners in three Texas counties (El Paso, Hudspeth and Culberson counties) and two New Mexico counties (Dona Ana and Luna counties) to deny Mexican criminal organizations and transnational gangs entry into the U.S.

A key benefit of securing the border is crime reduction. Operation Wrangler III resulted in the overall reduction of crime by 30 percent during the 30 day period of operation. The El Paso Sheriff's Office documented an 82 percent reduction in aggravated assaults and 43 percent reduction in robberies. The El Paso Police Department reported a 16 percent reduction in robberies and 26 percent reduction in sexual assaults during the period of this operation.

"We are sending a clear message that an increased law enforcement presence is the key to securing our border," Perry said. "Working with numerous state, federal and local agencies we can reduce

drug trafficking, human smuggling and other crime in a significant way."

In addition to the successes of Operation Wrangler III, border-wide surge operations have had a sustained impact on crime along the entire Texas-Mexico border. With 13 of the 18 border counties reporting, January-April of this year saw a 20 percent decrease in overall crime along these border areas compared to the same period of time last year. The 13 counties include Brewster, Culberson, Dimmit, El Paso, Hidalgo, Hudspeth, Maverick, Pecos, Star, Terrell, Val Verde, Zapata and Zavala.

The statistics from local law enforcement agencies in these 13 counties comparing January-April, 2006, to January-April, 2007, revealed the following overall results:

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Festivities will begin at 9:00 a.m. with the Arts & Crafts Show in the Community Center. Vendors will offer a variety of gifts, homemade crafts, food items, furniture, jewelry, clothing and much more. Bring your lawn chair and enjoy more vendors and entertainment in the park. Competitions this year will include a brisket cook-off, horseshoe-pitching and a pie baking contest. An exciting assortment of children's games and activities will take place throughout the day including a dunking booth, face painting, and pony rides. The ever-popular softball tournament will be in the nearby sports area with prizes awarded to the winning teams.

Anyone interested in a vendor booth or competing in the brisket cook-off, pie baking contest or softball tournament is asked to call the Winters Chamber of Commerce at 325-754-5210 or e-mail at wacc@wtxs.net.

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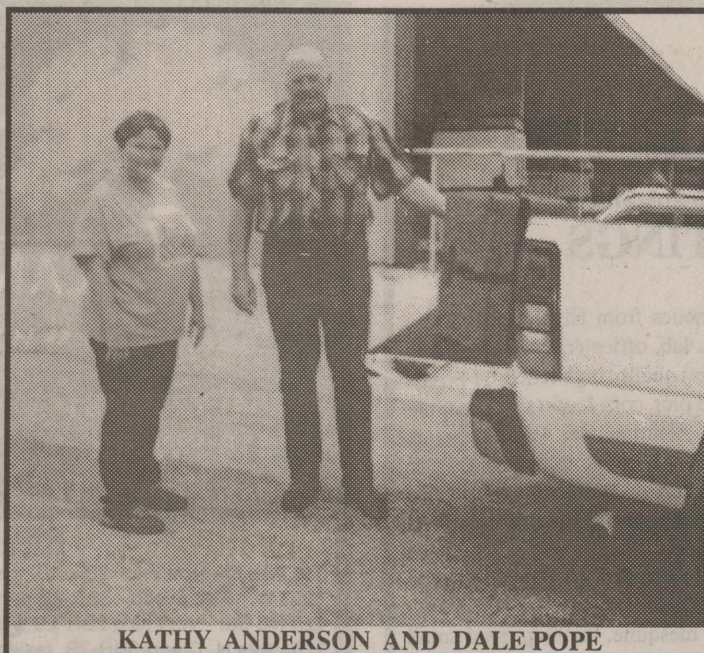
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Submitted by Susan McNeel



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Pictured here is Meals on Wheels volunteer Dale Pope and Senior Citizens Director Kathy Anderson as they load up on Monday morning. **Our Best Friends** appreciate all the Meals on Wheels volunteers and also Gene Dillard, Kathy Anderson and other seniors who help us repack the pet food from time to time.

People in our community can

donate cat or dog food either by buying and donating on the spot at participating Cross Plains merchants or by dropping off bags of pet food at the Senior Citizens Center weekdays between 9 a.m. and noon.

Checks to support upcoming programs or purchase food or supplies may be sent to **Our Best Friends** at PO Box 340, Cross Plains TX 76443. Memorials and other monetary donations are promptly acknowledged with our gratitude.

Please remember to encourage all you family and friends to spay or neuter and vaccinate their pets. And also please take the time to teach your children the importance of respecting all animals.

Submitted by Peg Terrell

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want the sun to go ahead 10 degrees?"

Hezekiah said, "It is nothing for the sun to go ahead 10 degrees, but let the shadow return backward 10 degrees." Isaiah spoke to the Lord, and the Lord brought the shadow ten degrees BACKWARD! Ten degrees is exactly 40 minutes!

Twenty-three hours and 20 minutes in Joshua, plus 40 minutes in 2 Kings make the missing day in the universe! Isn't that amazing?

References: Joshua 10:8 and 12, 13 and 2 Kings 20:9-11.

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Training project receives state award

In an awards ceremony held last week in Houston, Abilene received a Texas Economic Development Council's (TEDC) Workforce Best Practices Award for its implementation of the Fast Track Welding Project.

A group of independent evaluators selected winners for projects based on innovation, community leverage and commitment, transferability, second-

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Former CPISD Employee Receives Scholarship

Patricia Cook, former Cross Plains School District educational aide, received the Blanche Calhoun Education All Levels or Secondary Scholarship on April 22, 2007 at an Academic Awards Luncheon held at McMurry University. Patricia was selected outstanding Senior in the Curriculum and Instruction Department. She was one of four recipients of a 5,000 a semester scholarship.

Patricia is the wife of Jim Cook, and mother to Ashley, JD, and Macayla Cook. Patricia has excelled in her academic performance maintaining a GPA of 3.89. She is currently majoring in Mathematics, with a minor in Education. She recently completed her PDS (pre-developmental service) teaching instruction at Wylie Jr.



PATRICIA COOK

High School, working with 7th grade.

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