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CROSS PLAINS, CALLAHAN COUNTY, TEXAS 76443

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DOWN HOME

Editor's Note: Marciel (Rich) Carthen of Cross Plains provided the following for our readers. It was written by Author Unknown, and as always, it is packed with outstanding wisdom. Deep thought and clarity of expression are used to basically summarize the Bible. See if you agree. **Vanda Anderson**

"The Bible Contains"

The Bible contains the mind of God, the state of man, the way of salvation, the doom of sinners, and the happiness of believers.

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It involves the highest responsibility, will reward the greatest labor, and will condemn all who trifle with its sacred contents.

Author Unknown

Trustees Vote after Another 4-Hour Marathon Session

Tennison Extended Until 2010

By Deborah Lowitzer
Special Writer

In the January 16th School Board meeting, before the Trustees went into the second 4-hour Executive Session in a week's time, Mrs. Judy Luter advised the Trustees, "The school has entrusted you with these positions. The voters trust you to make responsible decisions. You have a responsibility to fulfill the wishes of those who have put you into these positions. Please remember that when you make decisions tonight..."

The Board thanked her for her input and asked if anyone else had anything to say. Others in attendance were, Scott and Keeka Byrd, Nora Odum, Tonja Walker and Tina Wyatt. With no other response, they adjourned into Executive Session. Upon returning at 10:50 p.m., in the matter of Superintendent Jackie Tennison's Contract, the CPISD Board of Trustees voted 6 For (Tommy Ames, Kim Crockett, Jim Cook, Vicki Dillard, Frankie Hyles and Burlie Taylor) and 1 Against (Scott Childress) to Extend it for another year, until the end of 2010. They also voted to hire Sunday Sanders as the new Custodian and Beverly Pope as Instructional Aide.

* High School Principal S.D. Loyless reported that 44 students had Perfect Attendance and 36 made the All-A Honor Roll. (See

names of all Honor Roll Students on page 4). He also remarked that 'Benchmark Testing' was finished. This type of testing mimics the TAKS test and evaluates where the students need improvement before the real TAKS test in the spring. "The kids took it seriously," stated Loyless.

He added that the first semester had gone by well and they were gearing up for this last one. The principal summed it up with, "The kids are great, the teachers are working hard and the lunches are tasty!"

*Elementary Principal Margie Sowell agreed that things are off to a good start. She said that attendance was steady despite different illnesses that are circulating through the school. Enrollment is also steady reported Sowell, "We lost some the first semester, but gained in the second semester."

The 3rd Grade students are going to be visiting 'Safety City' this week in Abilene. The kids will be experiencing various 'hands on' fun activities. They will have the opportunity to learn educational lessons in an enjoyable environment that can instill good safety habits now and later on down the road. Mrs. Sowell added that all students are excited about the Stock Show.

The CPISD Trustees next Agenda will be published in the Cross Plains Review prior to their meeting. Check the February 14th paper for details.



GRAND CHAMPION MARKET STEER
...Bronc Dillard, Cross Plains FFA

Callahan County Junior Livestock Show Results Told

Below are the results from the 2008 Callahan County Jr. Livestock Show that was held January 17th-19th at the County Show Barn in Cross Plains.

Rabbits

Jr. Showmanship - Cody Cedergren - Clyde 4-H
Sr. Showmanship - Hailey Biggs - Cross Plains FFA

Breeding Rabbits

White Bucks
1st Place- Jacob Archa - Eula 4-H, 2nd Place- Skyler Archa - Eula 4-H, and 3rd Place- Jacob Archa - Eula 4-H.

Colored Bucks

1st Place- Cody Cedergren Clyde 4-H, 2nd Place- Ben Schaefer Cross Plains 4-H, 3rd Place- Jacob Archa Eula 4-H, 4th Place- Cody Cedergren Clyde 4-H, and 5th Place- Jurnee Thomas Cross Plains FFA.

Champion Buck - Cody Cedergren Clyde 4-H
Reserve Champion Buck - Ben Schaefer Cross Plains 4-H

White Does

1st Place- Skyler Archa Eula 4-H, 2nd Place- Jacob Archa Eula 4-H, 3rd Place- Skyler Archa Eula 4-H, and 4th Place- Jacob Archa Eula 4-H.

Colored Does

1st Place- Ben Schaefer Cross Plains 4-H, 2nd Place- Cody Cedergren Clyde 4-H, 3rd Place- Jacob Archa Eula 4-H,



GRAND CHAMPION MARKET LAMB
...Teagan Fortune, Cross Plains FFA

4th Place- Ben Schaefer Cross Plains 4-H, and 5th Place- Jacob Archa Eula 4-H.

Champion Doe - Ben Schaefer Cross Plains 4-H

Reserve Champion Doe - Skyler Archa Eula 4-H

Market Rabbits

Fryer Pen

1st Place- Cody Cedergren Clyde 4-H, 2nd Place- Cody Cedergren Clyde 4-H, 3rd Place- Hailey Biggs Cross Plains FFA, 4th Place- Betty Mathews Cross Plains FFA, See Results Page 5

Allison McGowen promoted to CEO of the SPARKS

LOS ANGELES -- The Los Angeles Sparks appointed Allison McGowen chief operating officer.

Allison, a 1995 graduate of Cross Plains High School is the daughter of David and Sara McGowen of Rising Star and granddaughter of Charleene and the late Howard McGowen of Brownwood and the late Robert and Edra Butler of Rising Star.

McGowen, who joined the Sparks in January 2007, had been senior vice-president of Business Operations. In overseeing all day-to-day operations for the Sparks, McGowen further strengthens an already robust strategic and operational team. She will manage cross-functional operational efforts, signature events and business development.

"Allison has done an outstanding job in helping to expand the Sparks' brand and we are confident she will continue to help fuel the team's business growth in 2008," said co-owner Kathy Goodman.

"The Sparks are looking forward to the 2008 season being our best ever and we are excited about the skills Allison brings to the endeavor," said co-owner Carla Christofferson.

"I am very excited and energized about taking on the challenges that my new duties represent," McGowen said. "The Sparks' organization is deter-



Los Angeles Sparks promote Allison McGowen to chief operating officer.

mined to make the experience of attending a Sparks' game memorable for all our fans."

McGowen has a strong background in marketing, sales and strategic partnerships. She began her career at Kolar Advertising, a leading advertising agency in Austin, Texas. In 1999, McGowen joined Rainmaker Systems, Inc (formerly Sunset

See McGowen Page 10

Bake Sale January 25th to Benefit Cowan Family

A BAKE SALE to benefit the family of Michael and April Cowan is planned for Friday, January 25th in the newly constructed Community Room of Texas Heritage Bank from 9:00

a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Contact any bank personnel to donate a baked item at 254-725-6141.

"Thank You" on behalf of the Cowan Family.

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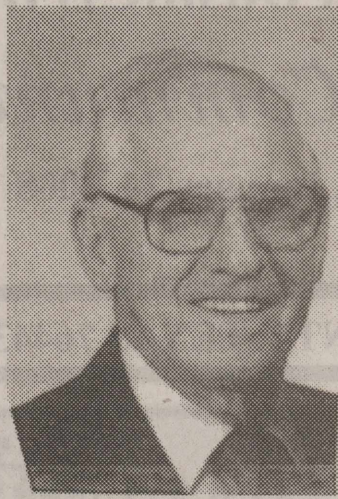
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 Sunday Morning Worship...11:00 am
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OBITUARY

John Paul Kilgore



John Paul Kilgore was born on April 21, 1914, on the Kilgore family ranch. His parents, Ed and Ina Kilgore, had grown up on neighboring ranches. When John's Lord and Savior called him Home on January 20, 2008, he left behind Loraine, his wife of seventy years; daughters, Gayle and Glenna; four grandchildren; and seven great-grandchildren. After John graduated from Texas Tech in 1938, he embarked on a career in dairy manufacturing. For a number of years, Kilgore's Extra Fine Ice Cream graced the finest dinner tables in central Texas. When John retired from

business in 1977, he and Loraine moved back to live on the family ranch. They have called Cross Plains home for the past thirty years.

John was a Master Mason, a member of both the Scottish Rite and the Shriners, and a lifelong member of the United Methodist Church.

Friends and family were regularly regaled by John's stories and jokes. He loved to make people laugh, and he loved to share memories from times past. We will all miss him, but we rejoice in knowing that he is safely home with the Lord.

The service celebrating John Paul Kilgore's life will be held Thursday, January 24, at 11:00 a.m. at the Higginbotham Funeral Home in Cross Plains. Graveside services, conducted by the Cross Plains Masonic Lodge will follow immediately at the Blake Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, the family would appreciate memorial contributions made to the Cross Plains United Methodist Church, P.O. Box 160, Cross Plains, Texas 76443, or to any charitable organization you might choose.

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

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COURTHOUSE NEWS

COUNTY COURTHOUSE
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Misdemeanor Filings
 Clifford L. Cook, theft by check.
 Joshua Shiel, illegal dumping.

Misdemeanor Minutes
 Christina Bolt, motion to revoke probation and adjudicate granted.
 Nicky Loyd Hollis, affidavit of surety to surrender principal granted.
 Deborah Woodhull, motion to dismiss to driving while license invalid (DWLI) granted for plea to other case.
 Michael Ziegenhagen, motion to dismiss to possession of marijuana granted for plea to other case.
 David Burch, motion to dismiss to DWLI granted, credit for time served.
 Jamie McGhee, motion to dismiss to assault granted, victim unwilling to testify.
 Kevin Pettit, plea of guilty to possession of marijuana, 10 days in jail, \$490 fine, \$310 court costs.
 Wade Ayers, motion to dismiss to abusive or silent calls granted in the interest of justice.
 Breion Green, motion to dismiss to evading arrest granted, sentenced to prison on another charge.
 Breion Green, motion to dismiss to possession of marijuana granted, sentenced to prison on another charge.
 Billy Ejem Jr., order dismissing motion to revoke probation and amending conditions of probation granted.

42ND DISTRICT COURT
 John Weeks, presiding

Criminal Minutes
 Kirby Dale Cantrell, plea of guilty to driving while intoxicated (DWI), 5 years in prison, \$409 court costs.
 Randy Don Tucker, plea of guilty to criminal solicitation of a minor, 6 year probation, \$1000 fine, \$294 court costs.
 Nathan Nichols, plea of guilty to criminal mischief, 5 year probation, \$500 fine, \$299 court costs, \$7849.83 restitution.
 Bobby O. Kandy, plea of guilty to possession of a controlled substance with intent to deliver, 2 years in prison, \$234 court costs.
 Vickie Mapes Anderson, order discharging defendant from probation.
 Nason James Hatley, order discharging defendant from probation under deferred adjudication.

Civil Filings
 Kimberly Dawn Richard vs. Toby Garrett Germann, divorce.
 Christopher Dewayne Ralph vs. Sarah Christine Ralph, divorce.
 Eddie Don Stash vs. Franklin R.V. Inc. and Jammie Fry, injunctive relief for trespass to real property.

Civil Minutes
 Cristal Elizabeth Moore and Ronald Ray Sims, divorce granted.

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COTTONWOOD NEWS

BY WALLACE BENNETT

Annual Fire Control Meeting Delayed

The Annual membership meeting scheduled for last week was put off until February 5, 2008. Cottonwood Fire Control Unit is usually the first emergency response unit to respond to any emergencies in the Cottonwood area and everyone living in the Cottonwood valley is considered members of the Cottonwood Fire Control Unit. So it is important that citizens living in the Cottonwood area attend the Annual Membership meeting. The meeting is rescheduled for February 5, 2008 at the Cottonwood Community Center at 7:00 p.m.

Cottonwood Quilt Update

The quilt submitted to the West Texas Rehabilitation Center for sale on the 50th annual auction sold for \$680.00 last Saturday. We can be very proud of our Cottonwood Quilting Club. "Texas in Redwork," name of

the quilt, was a 92x82 queen size quilt, done in red hand embroidery blocks of all things about Texas. Red bandana print blocks and backing helped showcase the Texas blocks. Hand quilted stars were scattered throughout the quilt. It was beautiful and was among the top ten high sellers of 72 quilts submitted for the auction.

The 2008 annual auction raised over 1.2 million dollars and was among the highest fund raising event ever held to assist the West Texas Rehab organization provide services throughout the Big Country.

Cottonwood Roundup

It seems like every one has been drifting around in a calm, windless sea with a lifeless period lazing around town with out anything to do.

So, it is time to wake up, shake off your doldrums, review and revise those hurriedly formed New Year's resolutions, boot-up

that old computer, and start a new year. It has been a period, since the holidays, where everyone's spirits have been low, listless, gloomy and dull, due no doubt, to the cold, fire huggin' weather.

So wake-up. Blow some wind into those sails. Every one seems to be trying to make up for lost time; time lost in just lazing around, sleeping late and daydreaming about whatever dreams are made of and trying to make up all that time we have lost in being lazy.

Okay! Okay! As soon as I wake up, I'll get around to thinking about what's next.

(For news items or personal items about Cottonwood, please contact, Wallace Bennett, at 254-725-7474, e-mail at cwb5@airmail.net, or snail mail at 11093 CR 440, Cross Plains, Texas 76443. Remember, I can't print it if I don't know about it.)

Benefit Bar B Que Planned for Michael Cowan Family

A Benefit Bar B Que is planned for Thursday, January 31st, at 6:00 p.m. at the American Legion Hall in Rising Star.

Your donation is your gift and meal ticket!

The two communities of Cross Plains and Rising Star are coming together to help the young family of Michael Cowan who was critically injured in a vehicle accident December 19, 2007.

Michael and his wife, April, have two small children and could

use your help with medical expenses.

For your donations of money, items for auction or food for this event, please contact Jan Wise, First Financial Bank, Rising Star 254-629-6701 or Skip Ezzell, of the American Legion 817-713-7518.

Auction items include a set of tires donated by American Tire Distributors; full processed beef, donated by Cunningham Ranch; cattle protein tubs, donated by Ridley Block Corp.; and cooked brisket.

A "Benefit Fund" account has been established at First Financial Bank, Rising Star and is accepting donations.

Sponsors for the upcoming benefit include: First Financial Bank; American Legion; Rising Star Foundation; Jerry Culpepper; Star Grocery; 3 D Ag Services; Hardwick's Nursery; Betty's Quick Stop; Gary McGinn; Jerry Winfrey; Jean's Feed Barn; Cunningham Ranch; and friends of Michael and April Cowan.

Callahan County DPS Report

Calls received by the Callahan County Department of Public Safety from January 13, 2008 through January 19, 2008 include:

Cases Investigated

Warnings—82

Complaints—61

Vehicle Accidents

There were two vehicle accidents investigated during this time span.



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BREAKTHRU

By Bob Pipes
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Doug Williamson, of "Ask Doug," Abilene Reporter News, identified this saying as coming from Andy Rooney of "60 Minutes" — "Computers make it easier to do a lot of things, but most of the things they make it easier to do don't need to be done." If you don't believe that's right, ask Troy Crockett. He gets along very well without a computer! Personally, in my trying to use them, it often leads to more frustration than shortcuts!

Another of Rooney's bits of wisdom that Doug includes in his article is: "If you smile when you are alone, then you really mean it." It's the difference between sincerity and insincerity. And Jesus had some things to say in regard to insincerity; He called it hypocrisy and pronounced some of His most serious "Woes" against those who practiced it. On the more positive side, He didn't say we had to have a smile on our face all the time to prove we meant it — but He did say that we need to "let our light shine" — and if it's shining in our heart, it will be shining in our countenance, don't you think?

Please join us for worship and Bible study as we strive to "sign our lives with the excellence of God."

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

Cross Plains Review

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LIBRARY NOTES

January 14-18, 2008

Patrons	77
Programs	35
LAP	4
LAPsit	4
Books Checked Out	59
LAP	4
LAPsit	16
Copies	130
Reference	7
Internet Users	16
Interlibrary Loans	2

Book Donations

Luanne Jones
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Cross Plains Genealogy Soc.
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Kim Crockett
Ginny Hoskins
Arlene Stephenson
Linda Burns

Living Tributes

Curt and Ginny Hoskins -
Honoring Charles and Lou Rodenberger

PIONEER COMMUNITY NEWS

We had a very great day quilting on Tuesday! Most of our members were there. A few missed because of sickness. We enjoyed having water (hot) in our kitchen. As soon as we get some stoves repaired, we will have better heat. We are working on Barbara's top and Lou Grider's is ready to start on. We were very proud of what our Rehab Quilt brought at the auction—somewhere around \$510. It was all hand pieced and hand quilted. We are proud of what the quilts from the other community quilting clubs brought.

Frankie Smith's sister, Eleanor Pigeon of Weatherford, passed away last week. Our sympathy goes out to Frankie. She has been going there to see her quite often before she passed on.

James and Jean Alexander had their grandchildren Andrea and Michael from Richardson visiting with them on the weekend. They took back a load of wood to use in their fireplace. The kids have bought themselves a house and needed some warmth and atmosphere. The Alexanders are always glad to see the children. In fact, during Christmas they

went to Richardson to be with Jim and family and Starr and family met them there. They had a great time being together!

Cowan and Laverne Hutton's daughter, Wanetta, spent Saturday night with them and attended church with them Sunday. January 6th Laverne attended their great-grandson, Gaven Hutton's birthday! (Oh, Gaven, you are really growing up fast!)

There will be some good basketball games coming up. Let's all go out and support the kids!

Pray for rain!!!!

Free Homework Help Through Public Library

Children and teenagers in this part of Texas never have to be stumped by a tough homework assignment again! Students from 4th grade to 12th grade, and in introductory-level college courses, can simply visit their local library to access online help from qualified tutors.

All the libraries that are members of the Big Country Library System now offer Live Homework Help, an online tutoring service from Tutor.comTM that connects students to expert tutors (at no charge) in math, science, social studies and English via the internet.

This free service allows students to connect to an expert online tutor either through the local library or from their home PC or Mac. The program is available from 3:00 until 10:00 p.m. seven days a week.

Live Homework Help TM is easy to use. Students are encouraged to visit the Cross Plains Public Library any afternoon during the week and ask the Library Director for assistance in accessing the site. However, the program is also easily accessible from home by

visiting the Big Country Library System's web site http://www.abilenetx.com/apl/big_country.html and clicking on the "online tutoring (smiley face atom)" icon. When prompted for the library card number, simply type "Cross Plains" and press 'enter'.

From there, students will be asked to enter their grade level and the subject they need help in. In just a few minutes, students are connected to a tutor in an Online Classroom for one-to-one help in math (elementary, algebra, geometry, trigonometry and calculus), science (elementary, earth science, biology, chemistry, physics), social studies (American history, world history, political science), and English (spelling, grammar, essay writing, book reports).

"We believe that Live Homework Help TM will have a significant positive impact on the success of our young people, and will remind them to turn to the library as a learning and research resource for years to come," said John Pecoraro, coordinator of the BCLS.

Students and tutors can review specific homework questions as well as subject-specific concepts using features such as controlled

chat, an interactive white board and shared Web browsing in the Online Classroom. Tutors can type math equations using a special math tool, share educational Web sites and much more for a rewarding learning experience. All tutors are certified teachers, college professors, professional tutors, graduate or under graduate school students from across the country. Tutor.com has more than 2,000 tutors available to work with kids when they need help most. Every tutor is certified by Tutor.com and has completed a third party background check.

The Big Country Library System is one of 10 regional systems comprising the Texas State Library System, a cooperative program designed to help meet the informational, educational and recreational needs of Texas. Headquartered in the Abilene Public Library, BCLS serves the libraries within the 32 county area of the Big Country. Cross Plains Public Library is one of the 43 public libraries served by the BCLS.

For more information on this program, visit the local library, or call 275-7722, any afternoon.

Submitted by
Arlene Stephenson

SENIOR CITIZENS MENU

JANUARY 28 - FEBRUARY 1
MONDAY - Sausage, Sauerkraut, Cottage Cheese & Fruit, Ranger Cookie, Bread
TUESDAY-Chicken Rice Broccoli Cass., Sweet Potatoes, Mix Veg., Pears, Bread
WEDNESDAY-Pinto Beans, Tomatoes & Okra, Mixed Greens, Peach Cobbler, Cornbread
THURSDAY- Tuna Salad, Tomato Soup, Macaroni Salad, Peanut Butter Cookie, Crackers
FRIDAY-Ham Salad Sand, Potato Soup, Pears, Peanut Butter Cookie, Crackers
2nd & 4th Tuesdays Domino Night (42 & 84) Begins at 5:00 p.m.

Immunization Clinics in Callahan County Announced

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

Monday, February 11th

Baird Cafetorium
400 West 7th
10 a.m. - 12 noon

Cross Plains Housing Authority

233 North Main
2 p.m. - 4 p.m.

Wednesday, February 13th
Clyde First Baptist Church
216 Austin

10 a.m. - 12 noon
1:30 p.m. - 3 p.m.

Please bring your child's immunization records. If your child has Medicaid or CHIP, please bring their card.

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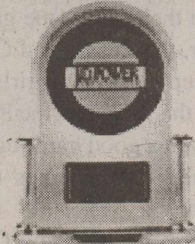
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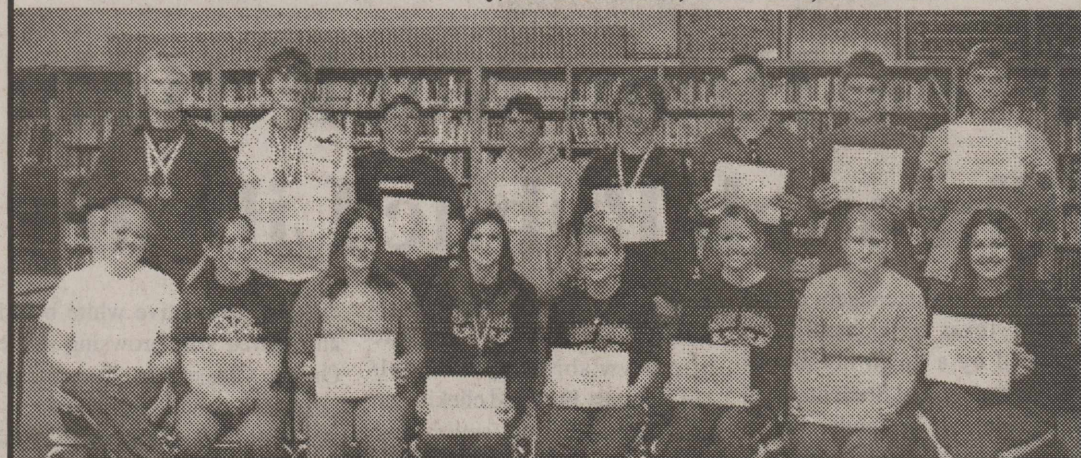
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Jacob Estes (from left), Shera Gary, Mitchell Gibbs, Zach Snell, and Cole Luter



PARTICIPANTS—Mitchell Gibbs (back, from left), Jake Estes, Zach Snell, Nathan Koettel, Cole Luter, Brice Bowden, Markus Maxwell, and Kyle Cunningham; Hailey Biggs (front, from left), Christiana Burrhus, Brooke Haile, Shera Gary, Mandy Rose, Krista Phillips, Jennie Lewis, and Tiffany Walker.

Cross Plains High School Academic Contest Results

Seventeen Cross Plains High School students competed in the Howard Payne, Douglas MacArthur Academy of Freedom Scholastic Contest, on December 7th, 2007. Three CPHS students were allowed to participate in each of the fifteen categories against area schools. Categories

included math, science, English, history, economics, accounting, sociology and psychology.

Several students received metals for placing 1st, 2nd or 3rd. Jake Estes placed first in World Geography, Shera Gary placed first in Texas History, Mitchell Gibbs placed third in Algebra and

Psychology, Zach Snell placed third in Texas History, Cole Luter placed third in Sociology, and Jennie Lewis also did well placing fourth in American history. Cross Plains placed fourth out of seven schools. Early, Cokes, coffee, snacks and popcorn will be served as we enjoy the life size game on a 10 foot screen.

Remember to Say Thanks to Our School Board Members!

Being an effective school board member is no easy task, particularly in today's climate of change and challenge. School board members need to be knowledgeable about complex educational and social issues and carry out initiatives and directives from both federal state governments. To face the demands of governing our public schools, they willingly give countless hours of personal time. These are men and women elected to establish the policies that provide the framework for our public schools. They represent you, and they take this responsibility seriously by attending lengthy meeting; broadening their knowledge at conferences and seminars; and talking about the schools with business leaders, parents, and neighbors.

Our school board is one of 1,033 such boards across Texas. These boards enable us to have local control of the public schools, meaning that decisions on school programs are made by local, elected representatives who understand the community's unique problems, values, culture, and circumstances. With the advice and counsel of the educational professionals they hire, our school board has a bearing on virtually every aspect of our schools. It's a huge

responsibility and one that should not be taken lightly. Their actions directly affect our children — what they learn, who will teach them, and what kinds of facilities house their classrooms.

This January, local communities are encouraged to honor the contributions of their local school board members. Too often we neglect to recognize the commitment and hard work of these men and women who serve as advocates for our schools. The staff and students of our district are asking all members of the community to take a moment and tell a school board member "thanks for caring about our children."

So let's all salute the dedicated men and women who make it possible for local citizens to have a say about education in our community. We applaud our board members for their vision and voice to help shape a better tomorrow.

Current Cross Plains ISD School Board Members are: **Frankie Hyles**, President (2005-2008); **Kim Crockett**, Vice President (2006-2009); **Vicki Dillard**, Secretary (2001-2010); **Jim Cook**, Assistant Secretary (2001-2010); **Burlie Taylor** (2005-2009); **Tommy Ames** (2007-2010); and **Scott Childress** (2005-2008).

Jr. High Girls Sweep Albany

By Coach Mitchell Atchley

In their last home game of the year, the Purple and Gold teams sweep the Albany girls.

In the 1st game, the Purple team played a good hard fought game. It helps sometimes to play at home.

The 1st half saw CP with a 13-7 lead. They had a good 2nd quarter scoring 9 points. In the 3rd quarter, Albany outscored Cross Plains 10 to 9 and the score was CP 22 Albany 17.

In the 4th quarter, CP outscored Albany 8 to 3 making the final CP 30 Albany 20.

Playing and scoring were: Maci Whitson 16 points; Katharine Goode 2; Renee Robertson 2; Sammie Tollett; Hunter Moreno 4; Victoria Creamer; Kenzie Taff 4; Shahala Trammell; Dania

Gonzales; and Megan Brown 2.

In the Gold team game the girls came out and played good offense, scoring 9 points, while holding Albany scoreless.

The 2nd quarter CP scored 3 while Albany score 2. Half time score was CP 12 Albany 2.

In the 2nd half, Albany outscored the girls in the 3rd quarter 8 to 6. In the 4th quarter the girls found their shooting arms and scored 11 points to Albany's 5. The final score was CP 29 Albany 15.

Playing and scoring was Sam Dickson; Lana Gary 3 points; Shelby Ames 5; Rosa Salazar; Cheyenne Cowan 5; Lauren Goode 10; Rachelle Allen; Zoie Walker 6; and Charleen Avants.

The girls close out their season Monday night in Eula.

Cross Plains Review

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January 24, 2008

Junior High Girls Basketball Teams' Scores Announced from Recent Baird Games

By Coach Mitchell Atchley

The Purple and Gold team loaded the bus and headed to Baird for games.

In the first game the Purple team and Baird was tied at 5 points each. In the 3rd quarter Cross Plains scored 6 points to take a 11 to 9 lead.

Baird scored 6 points in the last quarter while CP failed to score. The final score was Baird 15 CP 11.

Playing and scoring were Maci Whitson 3 points; Katharine Goode 2; Renee Robertson; Hunter Moreno 2; Victoria Creamer; Chelsea Branch; Kenzie Taff; Shahala Trammell; Dania Gonzales; and Megan Brown 4.

The 8th grade game between CP and Baird was tight and

intense, with several lead changes.

In the 1st quarter neither team could find the basket resulting in CP 2 Baird 2.

In the 2nd quarter Baird was 10 and CP 9. At the end of the 3rd quarter Baird still held the lead 15 to 13.

The 4th quarter was exciting as the girls score 10 and holding Baird to 6. The final score was CP 23 Baird 21.

Playing and scoring were Sam Dickson 2 points; Lana Gary; Shelby Ames; Rosa Salazar; Cheyenne Cowan 4; Lauren Goode 11; Rachell Allen; Zoie Walker 6; and Charleen Avants.

The girls will play at home Monday against Albany and then close out their season the following Monday in Eula.

CROSS PLAINS ELEMENTARY

2007-2008 "A" HONOR ROLL

3RD SIX WEEKS

First Grade: Jacy Bien, Kenzie Kleiber, Jackilann Shepard

Second Grade: Brittany Crouch, Creed Goode, Katy Morgan, Sydney Revoir, Kayla Stoudemire, Larson Walker

Third Grade: Andy Byerly, Mackenzie Byrd, Hannah Cowan, Grace Goode, Kylan McGhee

Fourth Grade: None

Fifth Grade: None

Sixth Grade: Megan Pointer

CROSS PLAINS ELEMENTARY

2007-2008 "AB" HONOR ROLL

3RD SIX WEEKS

First Grade: Paxton Byrd, Ashley Cochran, Hannah Crockett, Hanna Fortune, Mallory McCready, Wayne Snell, Kyler Stout, Jevon Tillery

Second Grade: Wesley Alexander, Morgan Armer, Joseph Crockett, Ashlyn Kirby, JC McDonald, Caleb Townson, Sunbeam Wahl, Nakada Walker, Aaron Willis, Dakota Willis

Third Grade: Alexander French, Isaiah Guerrero, Bryce Hamlin, Madeline Loyless, Devin Perez, Joseph Revoir

Fourth Grade: Caden Creach, Rebekah Crockett, Teagan Fortune, Shelby McWilliams, Meghan O'Briant, Larry Roberts

Fifth Grade: Thaddeus Carter, Taryn Estes, Morgan Manley, Cameron Sides

Sixth Grade: Colton McWilliams, Christa Potter, Meagan Roberts, Reagan Sides, Shelby Thomas

SCHOOL LUNCH MENU

JANUARY 28 - FEBRUARY 1

BREAKFAST

MONDAY - Sausage Biscuit, Gravy, Assorted Juice

TUESDAY - French Toast Sticks, Sausage Link, Assorted Juice

WEDNESDAY - Breakfast Pizza, Assorted Juice

THURSDAY - Cereal, Toast, Assorted Juice

FRIDAY - Donut, Yogurt, Assorted Juice

LUNCH

MONDAY - Burrito w/Chili & Cheese, Salad, Crackers, Mixed Fruit

TUESDAY - Salisbury Steak w/ Brown Gravy, Mashed Potatoes, Peas & Carrots, Rolls, Peaches

WEDNESDAY - Chalupas, Salad, Strawberries & Bananas

THURSDAY - Spaghetti w/Meat Sauce, Cheese Stick, Broccoli, Garlic Stick, Pears

FRIDAY - Submarine Sandwich, Salad, Baked Chips, Pickles, Ice Cream

Cross Plains Elementary UIL Results

On December 6, 2007 the University Interscholastic League Fall Academic Meet was held at Nancy Smith Elementary School in Albany.

Cross Plains Elementary School was well represented by forty-five students from second through sixth grade who spent a long day waiting for contests, practicing for contests and participating in contests. These students did a wonderful job of representing their families, school and community as they vied with students from Eula, Winters, Albany, and Baird in the many and varied academic contests.

Students were accompanied by teachers Becky Dillard, Melissa Richards, Vickie Walker, Kaymie Wells, Pat Stephens, April Cowan, Kathy Purvis and Principal Margie Sowell. All contestants are to be congratulated for their participation. The placings for Cross Plains students follow.

Individual Placings
Creative Writing 2: Creed Goode - 3rd Place; Brittany Crouch - 5th Place; Katy Jo Morgan - 6th Place
Creative Writing 3: Hannah Cowan - 6th Place
Ready Writing 4: Billie Pointer - 2nd Place; Rebekah Crockett - 4th Place
Ready Writing 5: Taryn Estes - 1st Place; Cheyenne Bomar - 6th Place
Ready Writing 6: Megan Pointer - 3rd Place; Christa Potter - 5th Place
Oral Reading 5: Kelbi Hyles - 5th Place
Oral Reading 6: Reagan Sides - 6th Place
Spelling 3: Mackenzie Byrd - 6th Place
Art 4: Tucker Brown - 4th Place (tie); Justin Whiteley - 4th Place
Spelling 4: Brayden Kennedy - 6th Place (tie)
Music Memory 4: Billie Pointer - 5th Place
Dictionary Skills 5: Junee Thomas - 2nd Place; Kelbi Hyles - 3rd Place
Listening 5: Junee Thomas - 1st Place; Bronc Dillard - 2nd Place
Maps, Graphs, Charts 5: Cameron Sides - 1st Place
Listening 6: Christa Potter - 3rd Place
Spelling 6: Shelby Thomas - 1st Place
Art 6: Taryn Estes - 4th Place (tie); Christa Potter - 6th Place
Mathematics 6: Megan Pointer

3rd Place: Shelby Thomas - 4th Place; Tristen Stephenson - 6th Place
Music Memory 6: D.J. Horito - 3rd Place; Thaddeus Carter - 6th Place
Maps, Graphs and Charts 6: Tristen Stephenson - 4th Place
Calculators 6: Megan Pointer - 6th Place.

Team Placings
Team Spelling 3: 2nd Place - Hannah Cowan, Grace Goode, Mackenzie Byrd; Alternate: Madie Loyless
Team Art 4: 2nd Place - Shyler Tillery, Justin Whiteley, Tucker Brown
Team Spelling 4: 3rd Place - Teagan Fortune, Brayden Kennedy, Meghan O'Briant
Team Number Sense 5: 3rd Place - Thaddeus Carter, Cameron Sides, Korbin McLean; Alternate: Mikera Walker
Team Dictionary Skills 5: 2nd Place - Blake Self, Junee Thomas, Kelbi Hyles
Team Listening 5: 2nd Place - Junee Thomas, Bronc Dillard, Keifer Steinle
Team Maps, Graphs, Charts 5: 2nd Place - Cameron Sides, Taryn Estes, Brenna Kleiber
Team Spelling 5: 3rd Place - Blake Self, Taryn Estes, Allanta Wheeler
Team Listening 6: Christa Potter, Texas Sanders, Nicole Eisenbach; Alternate: Alyssa Wheeler
Team Spelling 6: 3rd Place - Shelby Thomas, Christa Potter, Meagan Roberts; Alternate: Texas Sanders
Team Art 6: 2nd Place - Christa Potter, Junee Thomas, Taryn Estes, Thaddeus Carter; Alternate: Josh Branch
Team Mathematics 6: 1st Place - Tristen Stephenson, Texas Sanders, Shelby Thomas; Alternate: Megan Pointer
Team Music Memory 6: 2nd Place - D.J. Horito, Ben Branch, Cameron Sides, Thaddeus Carter, Kaitlyn Koettel; Alternate: Junee Thomas
Team Calculators 6: 3rd Place - Tristen Stephenson, Meagan Roberts, Megan Pointer; Alternate: Texas Sanders.

Cross Plains ISD is proud of all of the elementary contestants and alternates. They worked very hard to represent Cross Plains Elementary in the UIL academic meet, and their efforts are appreciated.

CROSS PLAINS HIGH SCHOOL

2007-2008 "A" HONOR ROLL

3RD SIX WEEKS

7th Grade: Chelsea Branch, Cheyenne Cowan, Victoria Creamer, Dania Gonzalez, Katharine Goode, Riley Lawrence

8th Grade: Shelby Ames, Lauren Goode, Rosa Salazar, Cody Self, Zoie Walker

9th Grade: Shawna Lewis, Lauren Loyless, Savana Wyatt

Sophomore: Melissa Black, Amanda Dunaway, Shera Gary, Tiffany Holland, Kayla Lawrence, Cole Luter, Cody Sliger, Zachary Snell

Junior: Terrah Augustine, Jacob Estes, Mandy Rose

Senior: Hailey Biggs, Christiana Burrhus, JJ Callaway, Macayla Cook, Betty Mathews, Starla Schaefer, Tiffany Walker

CROSS PLAINS HIGH SCHOOL

2007-2008 "AB" HONOR ROLL

3RD SIX WEEKS

7th Grade: Megan Brown, Ashleigh Dugger, Daniel Higgins, Joe Holland, Blake Hutchins, Shahala Trammell, Lakene Walker, Maci Whitson

8th Grade: Rachelle Allen, Jayten Ames, Charleen Avants, Dakota Bomar, Samantha Dickson, Ryder Foster, Lana Gary, Garrett Moening, Hunter Moreno, Hayley Phillips, Payton Porter, Justin Simons, James Sullivan, Mackenzie Taff, Austin Thomas, Kristin Willis

Freshman: Delany Ames, Tyler Avants, Misty Bush, Adam Gilbreath, Justin Golson, Kodi Roberts, Madison Wells, Dillon Whiteley, Miranda Williams, Hayden Wyatt

Sophomore: Shasta Bacon, Emma Bennett, Kimberly Case, Emily Foster, Jessica Hall, Cierra Odom, Amber Parker, Sahara Parker, Ben Schaefer

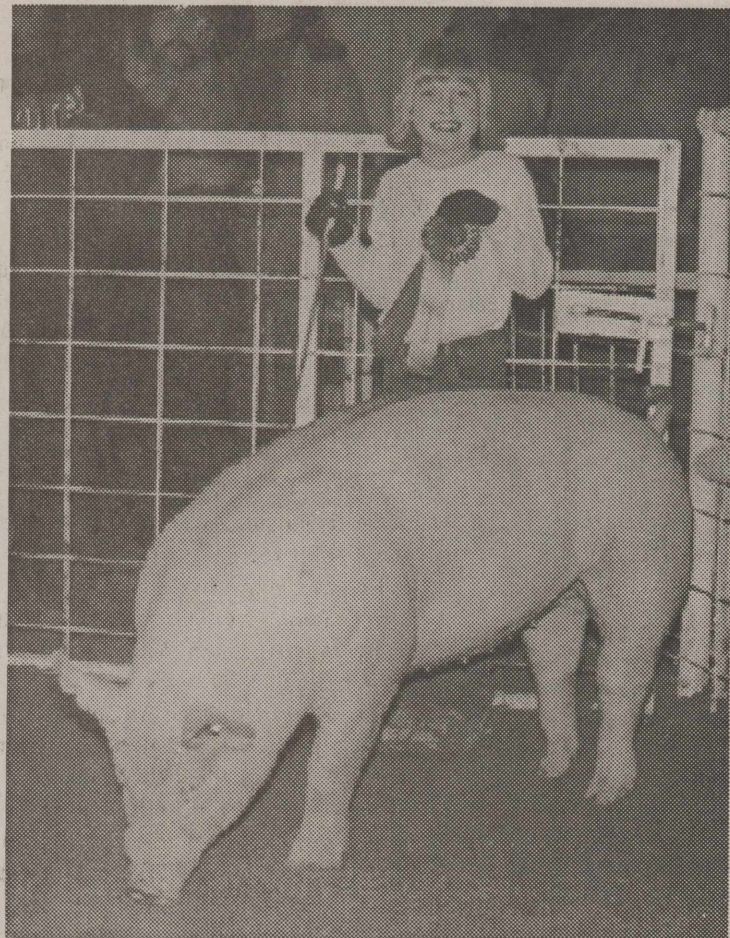
Junior: Emily Harris, Kay Jones, Nathan Koettel, Torin McCarley, Tawni Nichols, Krista Phillips

Senior: Brittany Franke, Jacquelyn French, Mitchell Gibbs, Jennie Lewis, Markus Maxwell, Bradley Starnes

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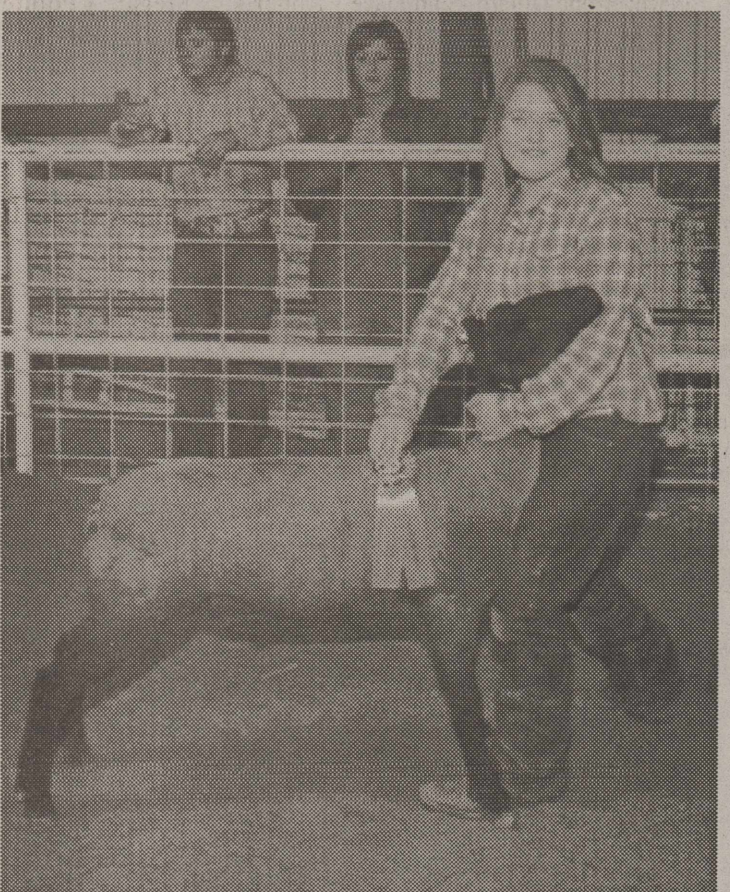
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GRAND CHAMPION MARKET SWINE
...Jayme Tennison, Cross Plains FFA



GRAND CHAMPION MARKET GOAT
...Kerséy Wyatt, Cross Plains FFA



RESERVE GRAND CHAMPION MARKET LAMB
...Kaitlyn Potter

Results

and 5th Place- Shasta Bacon Cross Plains FFA.

Champion Fryer Pen - Cody Cedergren Clyde 4-H

Reserve Champion Fryer Pen - Cody Cedergren Clyde 4-H

Broilers

Jr. Showmanship - Katelynn Mitchell Baird 4-H

Sr. Showmanship - Dillon McMahan Clyde FFA

Pen of Three

1st Place- Katy Jo Morgan Cross Plains FFA, 2nd Place-

Katy Jo Morgan Cross Plains FFA, 3rd Place- Kelbi Hyles

Cross Plains FFA, 4th Place- Kelbi Hyles Cross Plains FFA,

5th Place- Katelynn Mitchell Baird 4-H.

Champion Broiler - Katy Jo Morgan Cross Plains FFA

Reserve Champion Broiler - Katy Jo Morgan Cross Plains FFA

Swine

Jr. Showmanship - Jayme

Tennison Cross Plains FFA

Sr. Showmanship - Rode Merryman Clyde FFA

Breeding Swine

Cross Gilts

1st Place- Kelsi Tennison Cross Plains FFA, 2nd Place-

Kelli Sue Bennett Cross Plains FFA, and 3rd Place - Jace Porter Cross Plains FFA.

York Gilts

1st Place- Seth Wyatt Cross Plains FFA and 2nd Place-

Blake Whitner Clyde 4-H.

Hampshire Gilts

1st Place- Kodie Magistro Clyde 4-H, 2nd Place- Jayme

Tennison Cross Plains FFA, 3rd Place-

Danielle Evans Eula FFA, 4th Place- Ryder Goosen Baird FFA.

Duroc Gilts

1st Place- Sheyenne Dement Clyde FFA, 2nd Place- Andrew Emmert Baird FFA, and 3rd Place-

Kelbi Hyles Cross Plains FFA.

Champion Breeding Gilt -

Kelsi Tennison Cross Plains FFA

Reserve Champion Breeding Gilt - Sheyenne Dement Clyde FFA

Market Swine

Light Weight Black OPB

1st Place- BreeAnn Strickland Baird 4-H, 2nd Place- Jake Green Baird 4-H, and 3rd Place-

Seth Farrington Clyde 4-H.

Medium Weight Black OPB

1st Place- BreeAnn Strickland Baird 4-H, 2nd Place- Kodie

Magistro Clyde 4-H, 3rd Place- Kaitlyn Robinson Baird FFA,

4th Place- Seth Farrington Clyde 4-H, and 5th Place-

Colton Allen Baird FFA.

Heavy Weight Black OPB

1st Place- Cody Smith Baird FFA, 2nd Place- Kutter Russell

Clyde FFA, 3rd Place- Andrew Emmert Baird FFA, 4th Place-

Andrew Emmert Baird FFA, and 5th Place- Jace Porter Cross Plains FFA.

Champion Black OPB - Cody Smith Baird FFA

Reserve Champion Black OPB - BreeAnn Strickland Baird 4-H

Light Weight Duroc

1st Place- Rode Merryman Clyde FFA, 2nd Place- Kelbi Hyles Cross Plains FFA, 3rd Place-

Kat Johnston Baird FFA, 4th Place- Ryder Goosen Baird FFA, and 5th Place-

Ryder Goosen Baird FFA.

Middle Weight Duroc

1st Place- Michael Foster Cross Plains FFA, 2nd Place-

Bailey Spears Clyde FFA, 3rd Place- Chanda Miller Clyde FFA, 4th Place-

Shelby Cheek Clyde FFA, and 5th Place- Michael McKennon Clyde FFA.

Light Heavy Weight Duroc

1st Place- Ricky Moore Clyde FFA, 2nd Place- Shiloh Mullican Eula FFA, 3rd Place-

Kelbi Hyles Cross Plains FFA, 4th Place- Jamie Moore Clyde FFA, and 5th Place-

Michael McKennon Clyde FFA.

Heavy Weight Duroc

1st Place- Jayme Tennison Cross Plains FFA, 2nd Place-

Jace Porter Cross Plains FFA, 3rd Place- Piper Winfrey Cross Plains FFA, 4th Place-

Tristan Hargrove Clyde 4-H, and 5th Place- Chad Switzer Cross Plains FFA.

Champion Duroc - Jayme Tennison Cross Plains FFA

Reserve Champion Duroc - Rode Merryman Clyde FFA

Light Weight Hampshire

1st Place- Rode Merryman Clyde FFA, 2nd Place- Michael Foster Cross Plains FFA, 3rd Place-

Keldyn Atkinson Clyde 4-H, 4th Place- Jayme Tennison Cross Plains FFA, and 5th Place-

Kaitlyn Robinson Baird FFA.

Middle Weight Hampshire

1st Place- Sam Green Baird 4-H, 2nd Place- Seth Thompson Eula 4-H, 3rd Place-

Jaseton Atkinson Clyde 4-H, 4th Place- Piper Winfrey Cross Plains FFA, and 5th Place-

Leah Trevino Eula 4-H.

Light Heavy Weight Hampshire

1st Place- Jonathan Waddle Baird FFA, 2nd Place- Tristan Hargrove Clyde 4-H, 3rd Place-

Kat Johnston Baird FFA, 4th Place- Jake Green Baird 4-H, and 5th Place-

Kelbi Hyles Cross Plains FFA.

Heavy Weight Hampshire

1st Place- Brittany Stout Cross Plains FFA, 2nd Place- Riley Edwards Baird FFA, 3rd Place-

Jakeb Miller Clyde FFA, 4th Place- Kaymey Russell Clyde FFA, and 5th Place-

Ty Spears Clyde FFA.

Champion Hampshire - Sam Green Baird 4-H

Reserve Champion Hampshire - Rode Merryman Clyde FFA

Light Weight White OPB

1st Place- Valerie Konecny Clyde 4-H, 2nd Place- Blake Whitener Clyde 4-H, and 3rd Place-

Keldyn Atkinson Clyde 4-H.

Middle Weight White OPB

1st Place- Chazney Gray Clyde 4-H, 2nd Place- Cody Smith Baird FFA, and 3rd Place-

Garrett Jennings Baird FFA.

Heavy Weight White OPB

1st Place- Janae Rouse Clyde 4-H, 2nd Place- Keldyn Atkinson Clyde 4-H, 3rd Place-

Dakota Gilliam Cross Plains FFA, and 4th Place- Dalton Gilliam Cross Plains FFA.

Champion White OPB - Janae Rouse Clyde 4-H

Reserve Champion White OPB - Keldyn Atkinson Clyde 4-H

Light Weight Yorkshire

1st Place- Jayme Tennison Cross Plains FFA, 2nd Place-

Teagan Fortune Cross Plains FFA, 3rd Place- Kelbi Hyles Cross Plains FFA, 4th Place-

Megan Scott Eula 4-H, and 5th Place- Jagher Gray Clyde 4-H.

Middle Weight Yorkshire

1st Place- Shiloh Mullican Eula FFA, 2nd Place- Janae Rouse Clyde 4-H, 3rd Place-

Michael Foster Cross Plains FFA, 4th Place- Kat Johnston Baird FFA, and 5th Place-

Jonathan Seabourn Clyde 4-H.

Heavy Weight Yorkshire

1st Place- Jayme Tennison Cross Plains FFA, 2nd Place-

Rode Merryman Clyde FFA, 3rd Place- Shiloh Mullican Eula FFA, 4th Place-

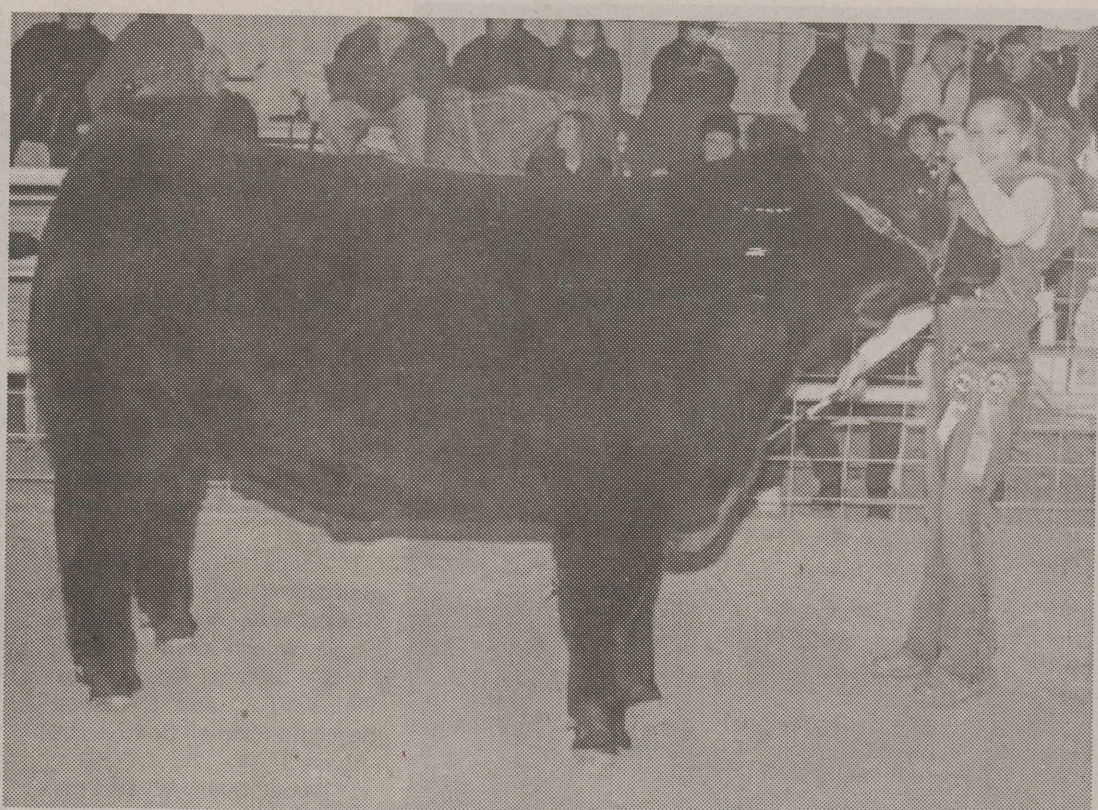
Cody Smith Baird FFA, and 5th Place- Whitney Richardson Clyde FFA.

Champion Yorkshire - Jayme Tennison Cross Plains FFA

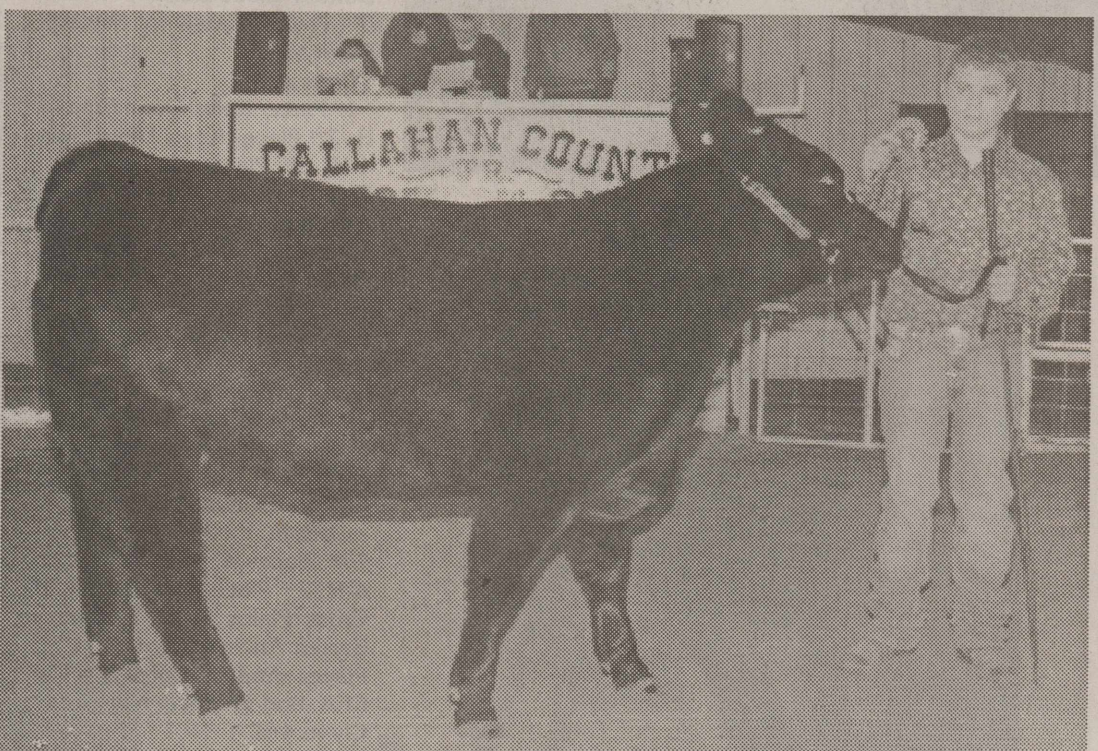
Reserve Champion Yorkshire - Rode Merryman Clyde FFA

Light Weight Cross

1st Place- Chazney Gray Clyde 4-H, 2nd Place- Jayme Tennison Cross Plains FFA, 3rd Place-



RESERVE GRAND CHAMPION MARKET STEER
...Samantha Dickson, Cross Plains FFA



CHAMPION HEIFER
...Blake Hutchins, Cross Plains FFA

Megan Scott Eula 4-H, and 5th Place- Jagher Gray Clyde 4-H.

Middle Weight Yorkshire

1st Place- Shiloh Mullican Eula FFA, 2nd Place- Janae Rouse Clyde 4-H, 3rd Place-

Michael Foster Cross Plains FFA, 4th Place- Kat Johnston Baird FFA, and 5th Place-

Jonathan Seabourn Clyde 4-H.

Heavy Weight Yorkshire

1st Place- Jayme Tennison Cross Plains FFA, 2nd Place-

Rode Merryman Clyde FFA, 3rd Place- Shiloh Mullican Eula FFA, 4th Place-

Cody Smith Baird FFA, and 5th Place- Whitney Richardson Clyde FFA.

Champion Yorkshire - Jayme Tennison Cross Plains FFA

Reserve Champion Yorkshire - Rode Merryman Clyde FFA

Light Weight Cross

1st Place- Chazney Gray Clyde 4-H, 2nd Place- Jayme Tennison Cross Plains FFA, 3rd Place-

Sam Green Baird 4-H, 4th Place- Kerrey Russell Clyde FFA, and 5th Place-

Whitney Richardson Clyde FFA.

Middle Weight Cross

1st Place- Rode Merryman Clyde FFA, 2nd Place- Rode Merryman Clyde FFA, 3rd Place-

Michael McKenna Clyde FFA, 4th Place- Kaitlyn Robinson Baird FFA, and 5th Place-

Jagher Gray Clyde 4-H.

Light Heavy Weight Cross

1st Place- Jaseton Atkinson Clyde 4-H, 2nd Place- Jayme Tennison Cross Plains FFA, 3rd Place-

Seth Thompson Eula 4-H, 4th Place- Teagan Fortune Cross Plains FFA, and 5th Place-

Kat Johnston Baird FFA.

Heavy Weight Cross

1st Place- Rode Merryman Clyde FFA, 2nd Place- Jayme Tennison Cross Plains FFA, 3rd Place-

Jonathan Waddle Baird FFA, 4th Place- Kaitlyn Robinson Baird FFA, and 5th Place-

Kodie Magistro Clyde 4-H.

Champion Cross - Rode Merryman Clyde FFA

Reserve Champion Cross - Jaseton Atkinson Clyde 4-H

Grand Champion Market Swine - Jayme Tennison Cross Plains FFA

Reserve Grand Champion Market Swine - Rode Merryman Clyde FFA

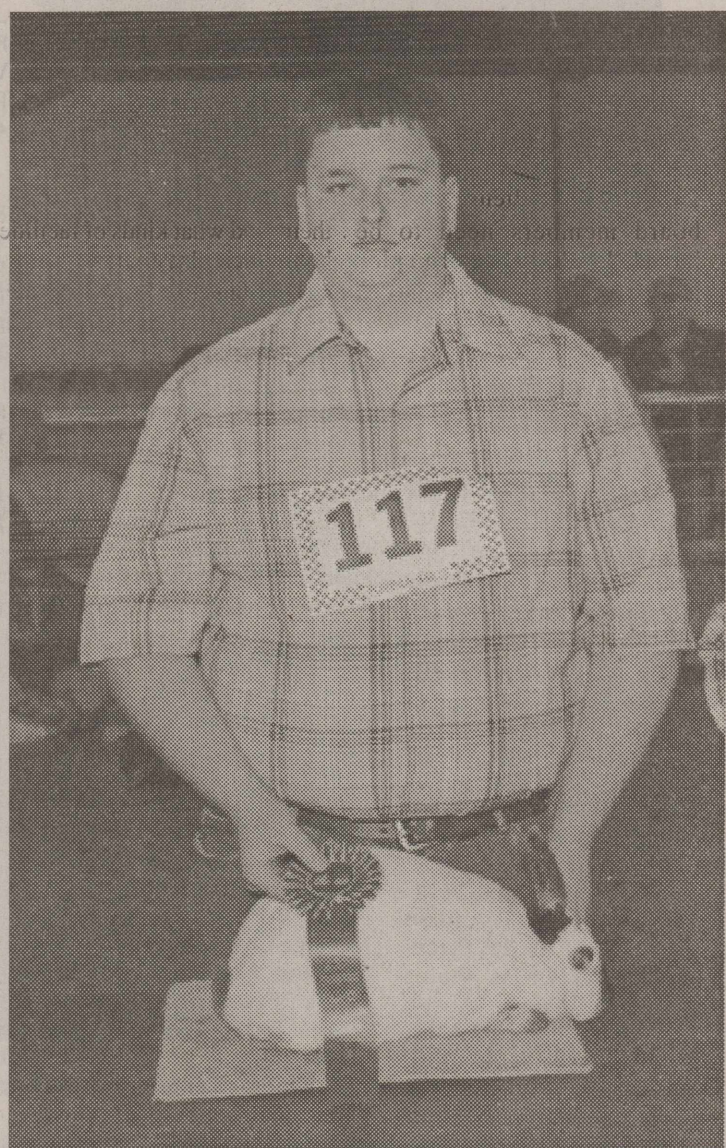
Market Lamb

Jr. Showmanship - Teagan Fortune Cross Plains FFA

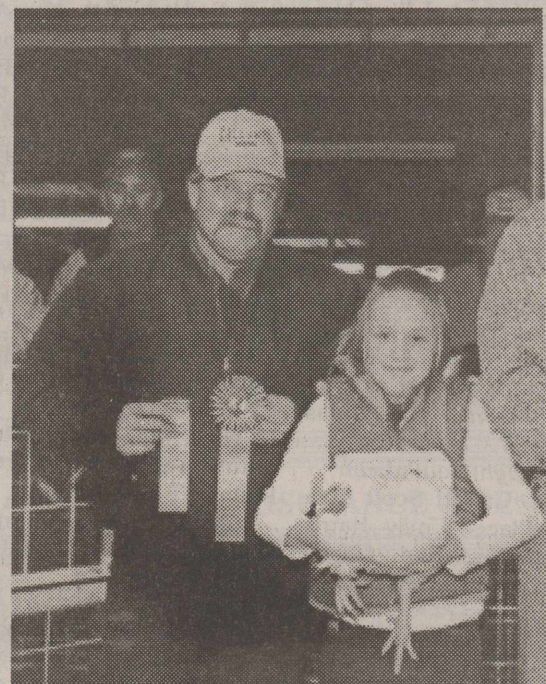
Sr. Showmanship - Emily Harris Cross Plains FFA

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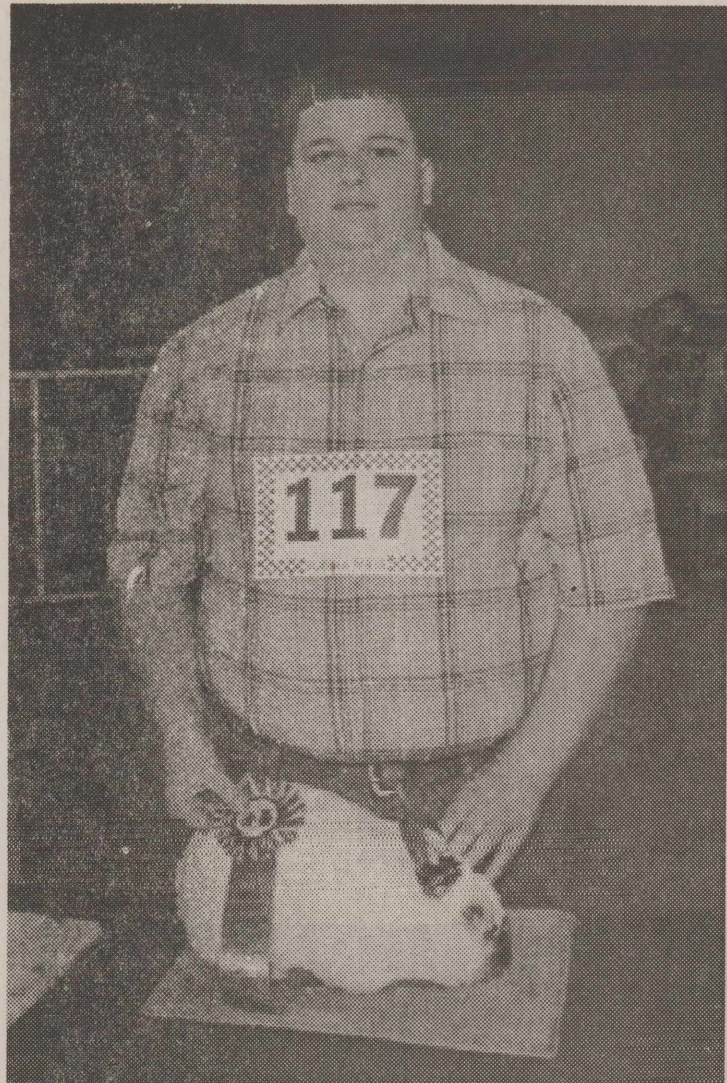
1st Place- Alicia Black Clyde



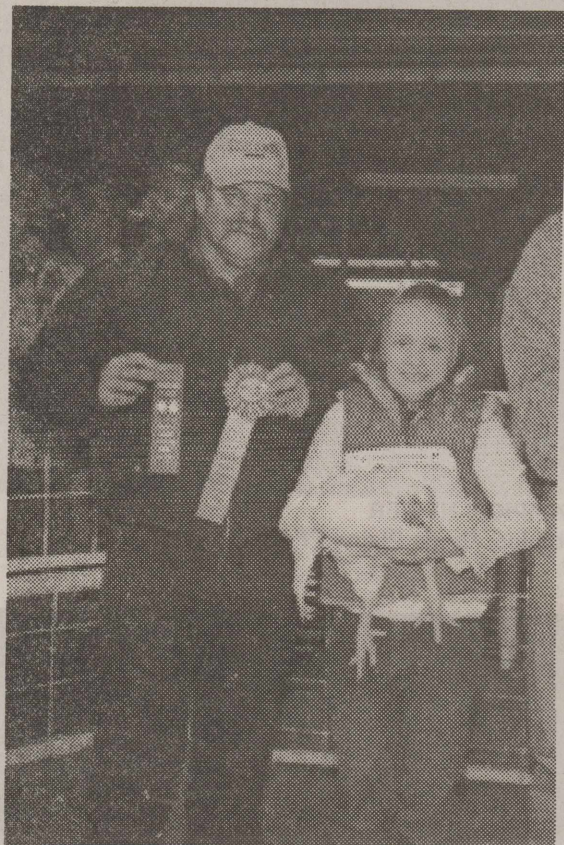
CHAMPION DOE
...Ben Schaefer, Cross Plains 4-H



CHAMPION BROILERS
...Katy Jo Morgan, Cross Plains FFA



RESERVE CHAMPION BUCK
...Ben Schaefer, Cross Plains 4-H



RESERVE CHAMPION BROILERS
...Katy Jo Morgan, Cross Plains FFA

Results

4-H and 2nd Place- Kelsi Tennison Cross Plains FFA.

Heavy Weight Finewool
1st Place- Tiffany Holland Cross Plains FFA, 2nd Place- William Pope Cross Plains FFA, and 3rd Place- William Pope Cross Plains FFA.

Champion Finewool - Tiffany Holland Cross Plains FFA

Reserve Champion Finewool - William Pope Cross Plains FFA

Light Weight Finewool Cross
1st Place- Kelsi Tennison Cross Plains FFA, 2nd Place- Kaitlyn Potter Cross Plains FFA, and 3rd Place- Austin Thomas Cross Plains FFA

Middle Weight Finewool Cross.
1st Place- Alicia Black Clyde 4-H, 2nd Place- Zach Snell Cross Plains FFA, 3rd Place- Kinnia Black Clyde 4-H, and 4th Place- Katelynn Mitchell Baird 4-H.

Heavy Weight Finewool Cross
1st Place- Joe Holland Cross Plains FFA, 2nd Place- Adyson Huddleston Clyde 4-H, and 3rd Place- Kelsi Tennison Cross Plains FFA.

Champion Finewool Cross - Alicia Black Clyde 4-H
Reserve Champion Finewool Cross - Kelsi Tennison Cross Plains FFA

Light Weight Southdown
1st Place- Teagan Fortune Cross Plains FFA, 2nd Place- Megan Scott Eula 4-H, and 3rd Place- Sheena Apple Cross Plains FFA.

Middle Weight Southdown
1st Place- Garrett Scott Eula 4-H, 2nd Place- Emily Harris Cross Plains FFA, and 3rd Place- Kelsi Tennison Cross Plains FFA.

Heavy Weight Southdown
1st Place- Garrett Scott Eula 4-H, 2nd Place- Teagan Fortune Cross Plains FFA, 3rd Place- Megan Scott Eula 4-H, and 4th Place- Adam Gilbreath Cross Plains FFA.

Champion Southdown - Garrett Scott Eula 4-H
Reserve Champion Southdown - Teagan Fortune

Cross Plains FFA

Light Weight Medium Wool
1st Place- Kaitlyn Potter Cross Plains FFA, 2nd Place- Cody Knight Cross Plains FFA, 3rd Place- Kelsi Tennison Cross Plains FFA, 4th Place- Nicki Carroll Eula 4-H, and 5th Place- Austin Thomas Cross Plains FFA.

Middle Weight Medium Wool
1st Place- Kat Johnston Baird FFA, 2nd Place- Teagan Fortune Cross Plains FFA, 3rd Place- Ben Schaefer Cross Plains 4-H, 4th Place- Kylan McGhee Cross Plains FFA, and 5th Place- Kodie Roberts Cross Plains FFA.

Light Heavy Weight Medium Wool
1st Place- Teagan Fortune Cross Plains FFA, 2nd Place- Macayla Cook Cross Plains FFA, 3rd Place- Starla Schaefer Cross Plains FFA, 4th Place- Garrett Ellis Clyde 4-H, and 5th Place- Brett Berry Clyde 4-H.

Heavy Weight Medium Wool
1st Place- Teagan Fortune Cross Plains FFA, 2nd Place- Tiffany Holland Cross Plains FFA, 3rd Place- BreeAnn Strickland Baird 4-H, 4th Place- Tiffany Holland Cross Plains FFA, and 5th Place- Emily Harris Cross Plains FFA.

Champion Medium Wool - Teagan Fortune Cross Plains FFA

Reserve Champion Medium Wool - Kaitlyn Potter Cross Plains FFA

Grand Champion Market Lamb - Teagan Fortune Cross Plains FFA

Reserve Grand Champion Market Lamb - Kaitlyn Potter Cross Plains FFA

Goats

Jr. Showmanship- Kinsey Dean Eula 4-H

Sr. Showmanship- Kaysi Dean Eula 4-H

Breeding Goats
Does (18-24 months)
1st Place- Kaysi Dean Eula 4-H, 2nd Place- Katelynn Mitchell Baird 4-H, and 3rd Place- Tate Rhoads Baird 4-H.

Aged Does
1st Place- Kinsey Dean Eula 4-H and 2nd Place- Kelby Dean Eula 4-H.

Champion Breeding Boer Goat- Kinsey Dean Eula 4-H
Reserve Champion Breeding Boer Goat- Kaysi Dean Eula 4-H

Meat Goat

Class 1
1st Place- Tate Rhoads Baird 4-H, 2nd Place- Kara McIntire Baird 4-H, 3rd Place- Jessi Taylor Clyde 4-H, 4th Place- Shelby McWilliams Cross Plains FFA, and 5th Place- Kelby Dean Eula 4-H.

Class 2
1st Place- Alysa Isenhower Baird 4-H, 2nd Place- Mary Seay Clyde 4-H, 3rd Place- Shala Wilson Clyde 4-H, 4th Place- Sheena Apple Cross Plains FFA, and 5th Place- Katelynn Mitchell Baird 4-H.

Class 3
1st Place- Kersey Wyatt Cross Plains FFA, 2nd Place- Kelby Dean Eula 4-H, 3rd Place- Seth Thompson Euls 4-H, 4th Place- Dakota Gibbs Baird 4-H, and 5th Place- Katelynn Mitchell Baird 4-H.

Class 4
1st Place- Kelby Dean Eula 4-H, 2nd Place- Kaysi Dean Eula 4-H, 3rd Place- Kinsey Dean Eula 4-H, 4th Place- Hayley Ancinec Clyde 4-H, and 5th Place- Jurnee Thomas Cross Plains FFA.

Class 5
1st Place- Kaysi Dean Eula 4-H, 2nd Place- Hayden Wyatt Cross Plains FFA, 3rd Place- Jurnee Thomas Cross Plains FFA, 4th Place- Kelby Dean Eula 4-H, and 5th Place- Katelynn Mitchell Baird 4-H.

Class 6
1st Place- Kinsey Dean Eula 4-H, 2nd Place- Hayden Wyatt Cross Plains FFA, 3rd Place- Barrett Ancinec Clyde 4-H, 4th Place- Angela Conway Eula FFA, and 5th Place- Mary Seay Clyde 4-H.

Class 7
1st Place- Alysa Isenhower Baird 4-H, 2nd Place- Barrett Ancinec Clyde 4-H, 3rd Place- Jurnee Thomas Cross Plains FFA, 4th Place- Jonathan Waddle Baird FFA, and 5th Place- Hayley Ancinec Clyde 4-H.

Class 8
1st Place- Kaysi Dean Eula 4-H, 2nd Place- Shahala Trammell Cross Plains FFA, 3rd Place- Emily Hall Eula 4-H, 4th Place- Shawna Lewis Cross Plains FFA, and 5th Place- Jenny Lewis Cross Plains FFA.

Grand Champion Market Goat - Kersey Wyatt Cross Plains FFA

Reserve Grand Champion Market Goat - Kelby Dean Eula 4-H

Beef Cattle
Jr. Showmanship- Brandon Black Clyde 4-H

Sr. Showmanship- Emma Bennett Cross Plains FFA

Heifers

Angus Heifers
1st Place- Deven Riley Eula FFA and 2nd Place- Madison Galle Eula FFA.

AOB Heifers
1st Place- Blake Hutchins Cross Plains FFA and 2nd Place- Dominique Bond Baird 4-H.

Champion Heifer - Blake Hutchins Cross Plains FFA

Reserve Champion Heifer - Deven Riley Eula FFA

Market Steers

Light Weight American Cross Steers



RESERVE CHAMPION ENGLISH STEER
...Tiffany Walker, Cross Plains FFA

1st Place- Brandon Black Clyde 4-H, 2nd Place- Kinnia Black Clyde 4-H, and 3rd Place- Cutter Russell Clyde FFA.

Champion American Cross Steer - Brandon Black Clyde 4-H

Reserve Champion American Cross Steer - Kinnia Black Clyde 4-H

Light Weight English
1st Place- Lauren Goode Cross Plains FFA, 2nd Place- Katharine Goode Cross Plains FFA, and 3rd Place- Sam Seay Clyde 4-H.

Middle Weight English

1st Place- Tiffany Walker Cross Plains FFA, 2nd Place- Kerrey Russell Clyde FFA, and 3rd Place- Aaron Allen Baird 4-H.

Heavy Weight English
1st Place- Brandon Black Clyde 4-H, 2nd Place- Amber Clark Baird 4-H, and 3rd Place- Kaymey Russell Clyde FFA.

Champion English Steer - Brandon Black Clyde 4-H

Reserve Champion English Steer - Tiffany Walker Cross Plains FFA

Light Weight European Steers

1st Place- Emma Bennett Cross Plains FFA, 2nd Place- Amber Clark Baird 4-H, 3rd Place- Kerrey Russell Clyde FFA, and 4th Place- Preston Clark Baird 4-H.

Middle Weight European Steers

1st Place- Bronc Dillard Cross Plains FFA, 2nd Place- Blake Hutchins Cross Plains FFA, 3rd Place- Issac Dickey Baird FFA.

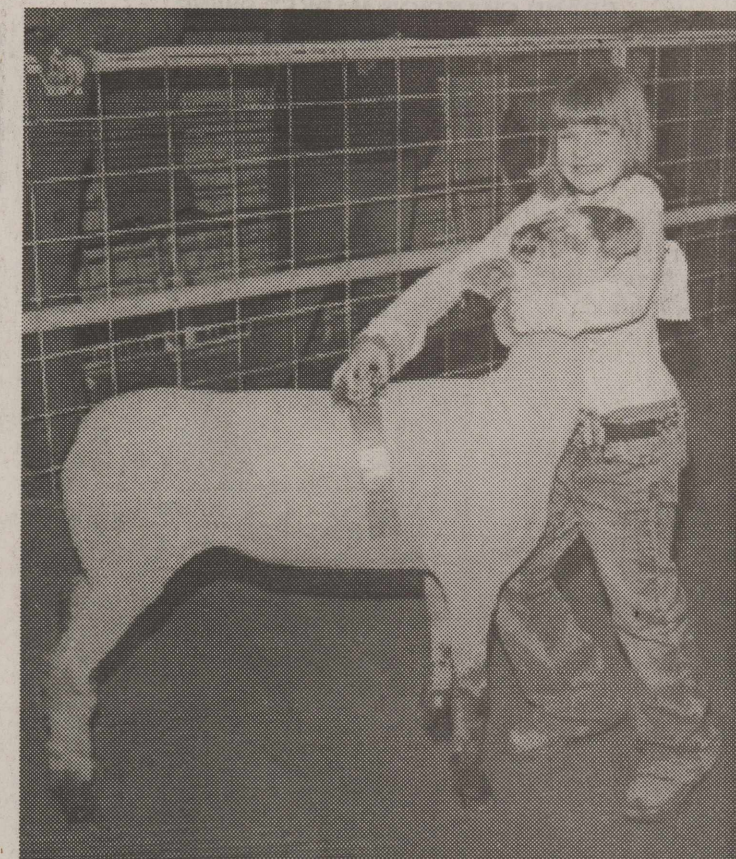
Heavy Weight European Steers
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Champion European Steer - Bronc Dillard Cross Plains FFA

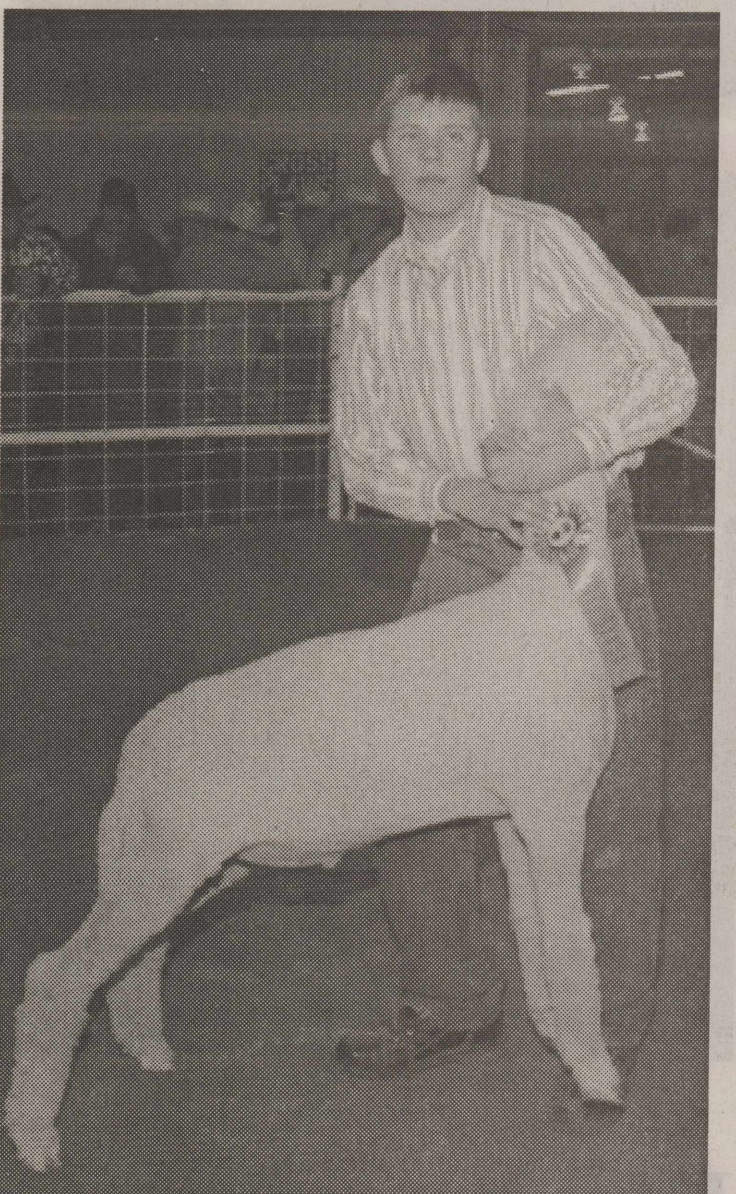
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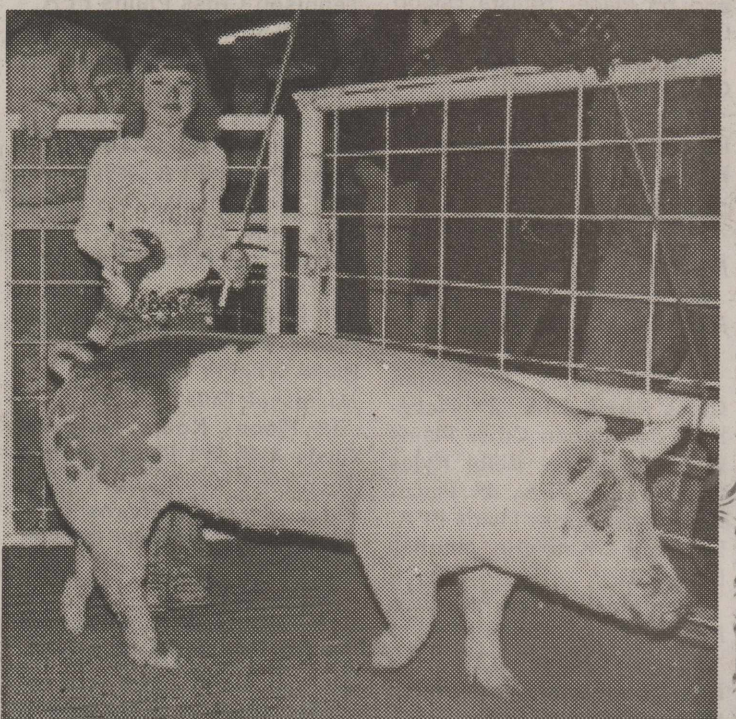
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...Kelsi Tennison, Cross Plains FFA



RESERVE CHAMPION FINEWOL LAMB
...William Pope, Cross Plains FFA



CHAMPION FINEWOL LAMB
...Tiffany Hollad, Cross Plains FFA



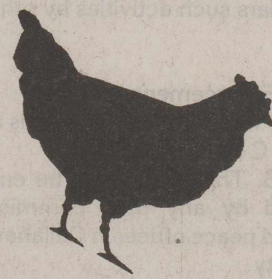
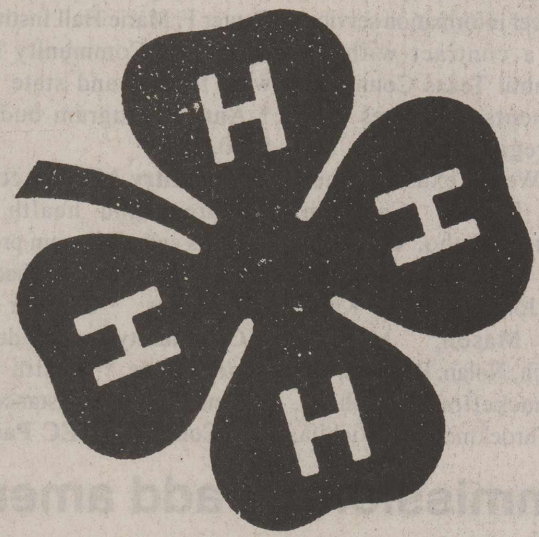
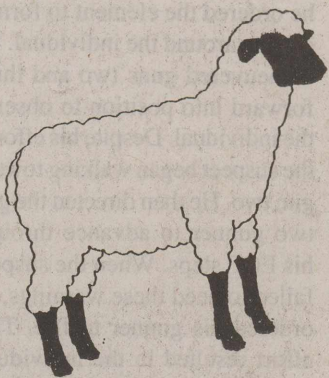
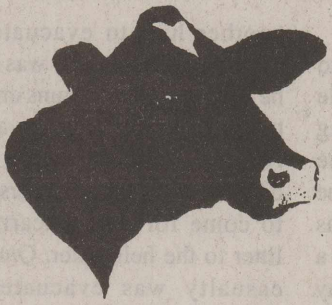
CHAMPION BREEDING GILT
...Kelsi Tennison, Cross Plains FFA

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To All Participants Of The

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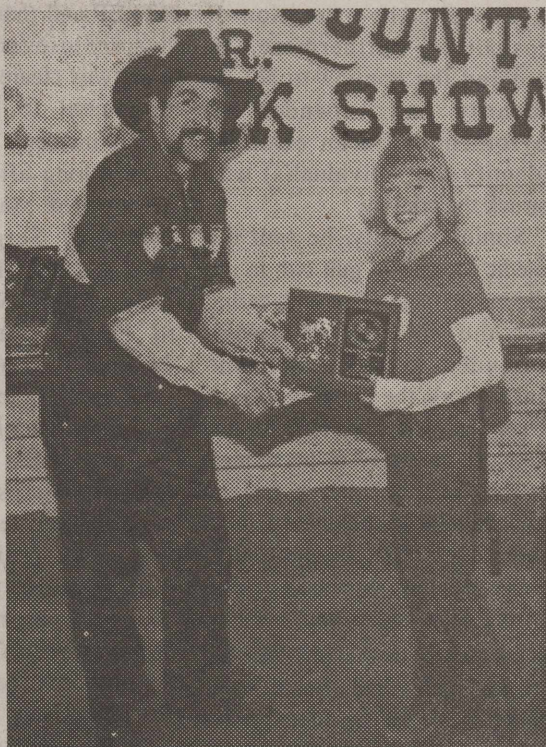
JUNIOR LIVESTOCK SHOW



JR. LAMB SHOWMANSHIP
...Teagan Fortune,
Cross Plains FFA



SR. RABBIT SHOWMANSHIP
...Hailey Biggs



JR. SWINE SHOWMANSHIP
...Jayme TEnnison, Cross Plains FFA



SR. BEEF SHOWMANSHIP
...Emma Bennett, Cross Plains FFA



Sr. LAMB SHOWMANSHIP
...Emily Harris, Cross Plains FFA

- METHODIST YOUTH GROUP
- T & K TIRE & ALIGNMENT
- TEXAS HERITAGE BANK
- LIVEOAK LAND & REAL ESTATE
- REED CONSTRUCTION
- STOWAWAY STORAGE
- AUTOWIRE - J.D. HUTTON
- CROSS PLAINS FOOD PANTRY
- TASTE OF TEXAS
- THE MOVIE STORE & TANNING SALON
- VILLAGE MARKET

- J & L SALES
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- CITY UTILITIES
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- LAWRENCE FARM & RANCH INC.
- DALE MITCHELL BUILDING
- JONES REAL ESTATE
- RAY'S BARBER SHOP
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Kiwanis Club Meeting Very Informative

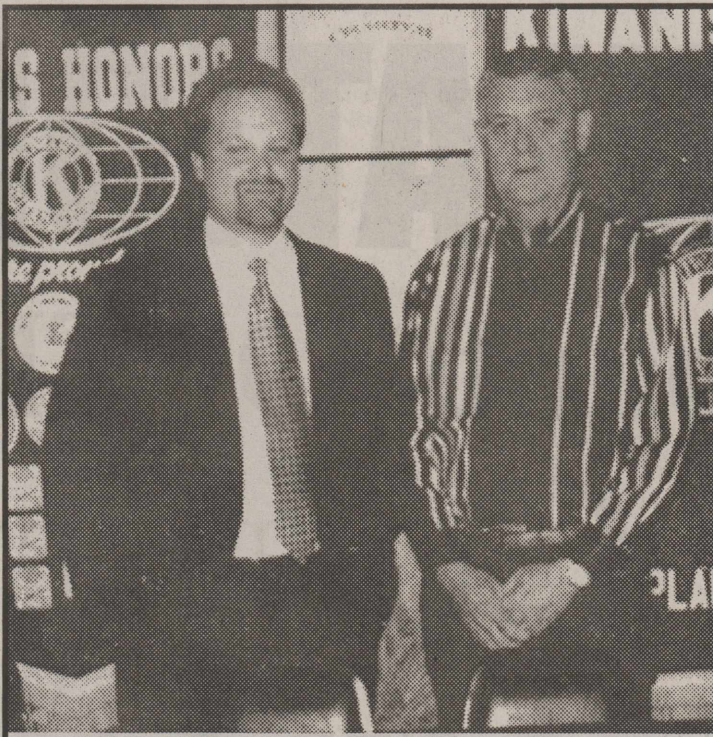
Kelly Cheek was the guest speaker for the Kiwanis meeting this past week. He was the guest of Rick Terrell.

Mr. Cheek gave some great information about the Big Country Area Health Education Center (AHEC). The points he touched on were as follows:

Big Country AHEC Mission: To address the health care provider shortage and improve health care access in the North and West Central Texas through education and development of the health care workforce.

Big Country AHEC Goals:
 * Introduce school-aged youth health care careers
 * Provide rural clinical training for students in the health professions
 * Support existing health care professionals via continuing education
 * Promote healthy living.

Big Country AHEC Structure:
 * Community-based center located in Abilene providing health career information services through a contract with the West Central Texas Council of Governments.
 * Serves a 28 county region of North and Central West Texas (Archer, Baylor, Brown, Callahan, Coleman, Concho, Eastland, Fisher, Foard, Hardeman, Haskell, Jones, Kimble, Knox, Llano, Mason, Menard, McCulloch, Nolan, Runnels, San Saba, Shackelford, Stephens, Taylor, Throckmorton, Wichita,



KELLY CHEEK (left) AND RICK TERRELL (right)

Wilbarger, and Young).
 * Program and funding support provided by Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center F. Marie Hall Institute for Rural and Community Health with federal and state funds.
 * Annual program budget of \$200,000.
Big Country AHEC Activities:
 * Career and health fairs, exhibits and classroom presentations
 * Mentoring and shadowing experiences
 * Summer Camps
 * Community-based education experiences
 * Health career student housing assistance.
Big Country AHEC Partners:

* West Central Texas Council of Governments
 * Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center F. Marie Hall Institute for Rural and Community Health.
Center Contact Information And Location: Kelly Cheek (Center Director), Big Country Area Health Education Center, 3702 Loop 322, Abilene, TX 79602; Phone: (325) 793-8484, Fax: (325) 675-5214; bcahec@wctcog.org.
 The Cross Plains Kiwanis Club meets each Tuesday, at 12 noon, in the east room at Jean's Feed Barn. Everyone is welcome and new members are encouraged.

Smith Recommended for Bronze Star Medal

Technical Sergeant John H. Smith, son of Johnny E. and Vickie Smith of Hemphill and the grandson of Wayne and Aline Smith of Cross Plains, has been recommended for the award of the Bronze Star Medal for exceptional meritorious service as Convoy Commander and Squad Leader for the 279th National Support Element Truck Platoon in Support of Operation Enduring Freedom VII from December 13, 2006 to July 1, 2007.

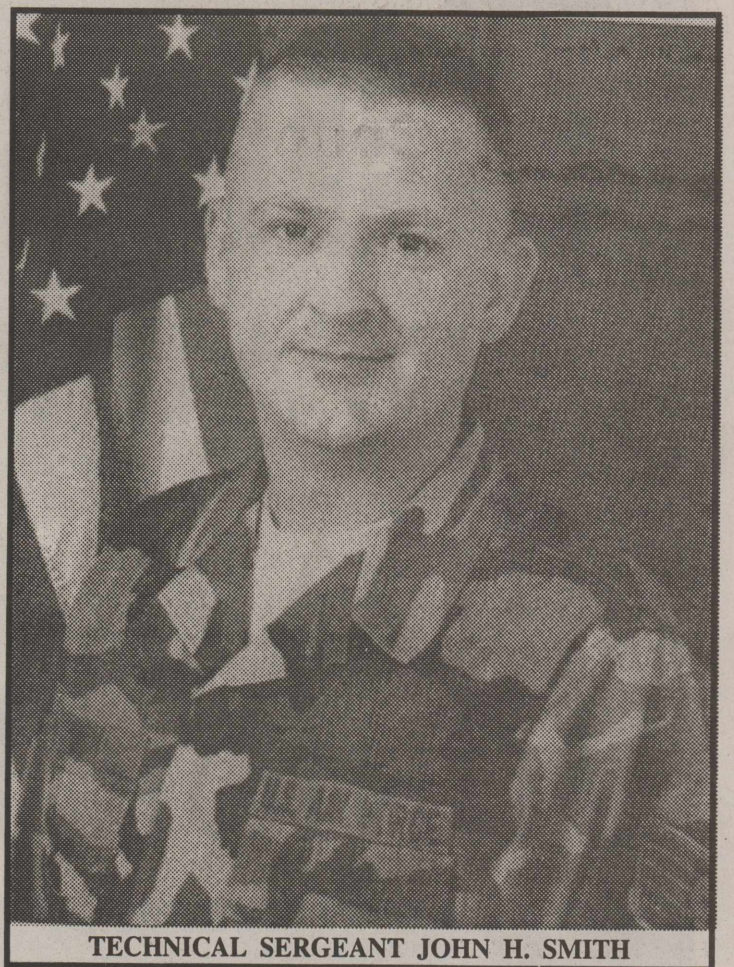
Technical Sergeant Smith represented the "Hardcore Element" proudly and was a key ingredient to the success of the Air Force's first ever rotation of gun truck support in Afghanistan. He proved to be an outstanding Combat Convoy Commander who never missed a drop off or spot time and faultlessly completed 31 convoy missions, delivered over 2.4 million tons of mission essential shipments, and oversaw 4.4K man-days in theater. During these operations, he effectively led his squad in escorting 253 task vehicles loaded with mission critical cargo while guiding, protecting, and caring for the coalition drivers embedded in his convoys.

Technical Sergeant Smith's skills were immediately put to the test on his first convoy. During this operation the command vehicle was incapacitated by a Vehicle Bourne Improvised Explosive Device, seriously wounding two of the occupants. Performing as operator for gun truck six, he instinctively, without hesitation positioned his vehicle to expedite the casualty evacuation process. His efforts enabled the wounded to get to the Kandahar, Airfield medical facility in minimal time. Additionally, while on convoy to PB Wilson the element's recovery vehicle struck a command wire pressure plate IED that was estimated to be a triple stacked anti-tank mine. He instantly directed gun five to approach the wrecker slowly and to look for secondary devices. Upon hearing the wrecker was on fire, he then ordered them to expedite the extraction of casualties. Furthermore, he ordered the convoy to set up security and expended all pyrotechnics in an effort to identify the individual(s) who struck the convoy.

Simultaneously, he sent the medic located in gun two to aid the medic in gun five with caring for the soldiers who were wounded in the attack and ensured all the sensitive items were recovered without further damage or injury to personnel. It was at this time, a gunner noticed what he believed to be a secondary IED. Instinctively, Sergeant Smith directed a cordon of the area and added a 9-line UXO report to the MEDEVAC request which had already been called in. Under his direction the site was secured for five hours while waiting for EOD to arrive and exploit the kill zone. After successfully evacuating the two wounded soldiers, he flawlessly completed the mission which was to recover a broken RG-31 at PB Gunday.

His calming leadership, clear and concise guidance combined with his direct actions ensured all recovery actions after the attack went without a hitch.

His exploits were recognized by the Commander, CJTF who proudly coined him for professionalism displayed and his



TECHNICAL SERGEANT JOHN H. SMITH

quick reaction after an attack.

His skills were again put to the test on Feb. 15, 2007. While leading a live fire training exercise at Tarnak Range the Denali TOC notified him via Blue Force Tracker that his platoon was needed to gear up to recover a broken five-ton truck on Highway one approximately 12 km east of Kandahar City. He led a successful text book recovery of the vehicle. However, during the return to KAF a man on foot ran out from the east side of Highway 4 almost striking gun one. Suspecting a suicide bomber, he ordered the element to form a cordon around the individual. He maneuvered guns two and three forward into position to observe the individual. Despite his efforts, the suspect began walking toward gun two. He then directed the gun two gunner to advance through his EOF steps. When the suspect failed to heed these warnings, he ordered his gunner to fire. This effort resulted in the individual, a suspected suicide bomber, being taken down. He called in a SITREP and requested EOD on the scene to investigate. Once the scene was cleared he continued movement to KAF without further incident.

Not long after this, on the evening of March 20, 2007, Technical Sergeant Smith's combat leadership skills were called on again. While on convoy to FOB Lagman in Zabul Province his convoy came under small arms fire from at least three positions, two on the south side of the roadway and one on the north. He witnessed one muzzle flash and directed a gun truck to fire on the position. Once the convoy cleared the kill zone he promptly informed the Denali TOC via TACSAT of the incident. At this time, he was informed that the gunner in gun two had been hit. He moved the convoy forward to a floating rally point to assess. He notified the Denali TOC that he had one WIA and was in need of a MEDEVAC. He then exited his vehicle and preceded to gun two to assess the situation. He extracted the gunner from the vehicle and established a Casualty Collection Point (CCP). Initially it was decided to CASEVAC the wounded to FOB Lagman, approximately 45 minutes down the road. Shortly after starting out for FOB Lagman the Denali TOC informed him a MEDEVAC helicopter was en-route to his position. With this he then called

another halt to evacuate the casualty. Once security was set up he coordinated with guns one and two to have them set up an LZ for the helicopter. He then directed two additional personnel to come forward to carry the litter to the helicopter. Once the casualty was evacuated he continued the mission with no further incidents.

Sergeant Smith's efforts go far beyond displaying his outstanding leadership abilities. Through extensive After Action Reports, he shared lessons learned to ensure other convoy commanders, were aware of the latest tactics, techniques, and procedures. His initiatives enable each convoy commander to operate effectively and confidently with minimal mission delays. With his expertise and leading from the front style, he enhanced the detachments' lead vehicle capabilities by installing rotation spotlights enabling better visibility when searching for roadside explosive devices. He also led in the installation of six enhanced gunner shields on M1151s and multiple communications enhancements. The additional communication assets increased the operational range and abilities of all gun trucks to talk directly to those up higher in command. He led the way on many taskers to include sharing of tactics, techniques, and procedures with coalition partners to reduce the risk of fratricide. Additionally, he placed extra emphasis on operator care and dramatically increased preventive maintenance efficiency. His efforts helped the vehicle maintainers achieve an over 96 percent rate, surpassing Army goals. Technical Sergeant Smith effectively supervised, trained, and ensured the basic and combat needs of his 15 Airmen were met on a daily basis. His efforts guaranteed his Airmen survived and operated successfully under direct and indirect fire, and when encountering improvised explosive device attacks outside the wire. Technical Sergeant Smith has been a decisive leader who uses sound judgment and all resources available to him to mitigate risks for the unit's Airmen and coalition national comrades. His selfless service, devotion to duty, and commitment to the overall success of the unit reflect great credit upon himself, the United States National Command Element, and the United States Air Force.

Commissioners add amendments to Burn Ban for welding and outdoor grilling

Callahan County Commissioners voted to add two amendments concerning welding and outdoor grilling in consideration to the county's outdoor burning during the commissioners' court meeting held Monday, January 14th at the County Courthouse in Baird.

On a motion by Commissioner Bryan Farmer and a second by Commissioner Cliff Kirkham, the commissioners' court voted 5-0 to add the amendments on welding and outdoor grilling to the county's burn ban. The two amendments follow the order prohibiting outdoor burning in Callahan County.

The order prohibiting outdoor burning follows:

Callahan County, Texas Order Prohibiting Outdoor Burning

WHEREAS, in accordance with Section 240.906 of the Local Government Code, the Callahan County Commissioners' Court had found that dry conditions in the unincorporated areas of Callahan County create a public safety hazard that would be exacerbated by outdoor burning; and, whereas, such a finding authorizes the issuance of an order which prohibits or restricts outdoor burning.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDERED, that the following regulations are hereby established for all unincorporated areas of Callahan County, Texas.

(1) Action prohibited.

A. A person violates this order if he or she knowingly, intentionally or recklessly burns any combustible material outside of an enclosure which serves to contain all flames and/or sparks, or orders such burning by others.

B. A person violates this order if he or she knowingly, intentionally or recklessly engages in any activity outdoors

which could allow flames or sparks that could result in a fire, or orders such activities by others.

(2) Enforcement.

A. Violation of this order is a Class C Misdemeanor.

B. This order may be enforced by any duly commissioned peace officer in Callahan County.

(3) This order is effective and enforceable for 90 days from the date of adoption which is indicated below.

(4) This order does not apply to outdoor burning activities related to public health and safety that are authorized by the Texas Natural Resources Conservation Commission for firefighter training; public utility, natural gas pipeline, or mining operations; or harvesting of agriculture crops.

(5) Further, a person is not in violation if prior to the setting of any outdoor fire, he or she first obtains the permission of the appropriate volunteer Fire Chief. In this instance the Fire Chief will have the authority to set the conditions, restrictions, and/or precautions which must be observed.

(6) See Attachment A for welding precautions and Attachment B for outdoor grilling precautions.

ORDERED by the Commissioners Court of Callahan County, Texas on the 14th day of January, 2008, and executed on the same day.

(s) Roger Corn
Callahan County Judge
Attest:
(s) Donna Bell
County Clerk

ATTACHMENT A

Due to high fire danger and dry foliage these restrictions were put in place for the protection of

the citizens and their property in Callahan County. It was not intended to take away a person's livelihood.

WELDING WILL BE PERMITTED IF THE PROPER PRECAUTIONS ARE BEING TAKEN.

1. The individual welding must have a spotter.

2. Two wet fire extinguishers must be available.

3. Must have sufficient supply of water on hand at all times.

4. Must have water sprayer available for use on hot metal.

5. Must wet down sufficient area (and re-wet as often as necessary)

These safety precautions must be taken and also, please use common sense and good judgement. If the conditions are windy, if the job is not an emergency, put it off until another date.

Violators will be charged with a Class C Misdemeanor, punishable by a fine of up to \$500.00. An individual or individuals, could be liable for damages, if fire occurs. If there is a fatality, one could face possible felony charges.

Attachment B

Due to high fire danger and dry foliage these restrictions were put in place for the protection of the citizens and their property in Callahan County.

OUTDOOR GRILLING WILL BE PERMITTED IF THESE PRECAUTIONS ARE TAKEN.

1. Individual grilling must attend the grill at all times.

2. Must have sufficient supply of water on hand at all times.

3. Cooking must be done in an enclosed cooker.

Violators will be charged with a Class C Misdemeanor, punishable by a fine of up to \$500.00. An individual or individuals, could be liable for damages, if fire occurs. If there is a fatality, one could face possible felony charges.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

JANUARY 26
Courtney Ring
Charles Roberts
Aline Wilcoxon
Mrs. Ann Baum Cross
DeAnn Whiteley

JANUARY 27
Billi Helen Pittman
Adriana Monreal

JANUARY 28
Eddie Hart
Colton Gallaway
Tommy Brown
Mrs. Albert Lovell
Chuck Pennell

JANUARY 29
Leland Ray Watson

Mrs. Rayola Roberts
Kimberly Wilson
Douglas Proctor
Jimmy Chesshir
Ilda Jimenez
Lindsey Barnett
Heather (Montgomery) Harris
Laura (Ricci) Lange
Korbin Kennedy McLean
Bree Dillard

JANUARY 30
Becky McKeenan
Michael Dore
Charlotte Fleming
Tracy Archer
Harry D. Lee
Cory Switzer
Carol Havens
Ricky Rucker
Whitney (Kirham) Odom
Holli (Shults) Gaines
Ketch Miles Thomas

JANUARY 31
Peyton Pearl Gilliam
Leslie Ann Manicchia
Mrs. James Alexander
Billy Perry
Ione Breeding
Mrs. Vernon Bullard
Betty Duncan
Patty Ruth Carlile
Ellen (Reynolds) Steiner
Norman Beck

FEBRUARY 1
Billy Don Bennett
Freddy Johnston
Rusty Reed
Debby Gilland
Harold Ingram
Clay Richardson
Dan Byers
Gretchen Wagner
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First National Bank-Baird given opportunity to meet interest rate for Precinct #3

First Financial Bank-Clyde awarded Callahan County's bank depository

Callahan County Commissioners voted to keep the county's General Fund monies with First Financial Bank-Clyde, however the commissioners' court also voted to discuss with First National Bank of Baird the interest rates for Precinct #3 (Baird) in order to give the Baird bank an opportunity to meet the rate of First Financial Bank.

The commissioners' court took the action Monday, January 14th during the court meeting held at the County Courthouse in Baird.

Commissioners were presented with the two banks information by County Treasurer Dianne Gunter concerning interest rate agreements.

On a motion by Commissioner Bryan Farmer and a second by Commissioner Cliff Kirkham, the commissioners' court voted 5-0 to keep the county's General Fund money with First Financial Bank-Clyde.

On a motion by Commissioner Tom Windham and a second by Commissioner Harold Hicks, the commissioners' court voted 5-0 to discuss with First National Bank of Baird the interest rates for Precinct #3 funds in order to give the bank an opportunity to meet the interest rate of First Financial Bank-Clyde.

Other agenda items brought before the commissioners' court included:

—Judge Roger Corn called the commissioners' court meeting to order at 9:30 a.m. Present for the meeting included Judge Corn, Clyde Precinct #1 Com-

missioner Harold Hicks, Eula Precinct #2 Commissioner Bryan Farmer, Baird Precinct #3 Commissioner Tom Windham, Cross Plains Precinct #4 Commissioner Cliff Kirkham, County Treasurer Dianne Gunter, and County Clerk Donna Bell. Also in attendance were County Attorney Shane Deel, Sammy Wilson, Jim Stapleton, Charlie Upchurch, Joe Compton and Suzee Odom.

—The minutes of the previous commissioners' court meeting were reviewed and signed.

—There was no public comment received.

—Representatives with the Texas State Soil & Water Conservation Board and the National Resource Conservation Service met with commissioners to consider an agreement with the county from 1960 concerning upkeep of the flood control dams in the county. A motion was made by Commissioner Farmer to have the County Attorney study the agreement and present a report to the commissioners' court at a later date. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Kirkham and approved with a 5-0 vote.

—Discussion was held concerning composition of the Salary Grievance Committee. Three public members and six elected county officials make up the committee, with public members names drawn from the Grand Jury list. A motion was made by Commissioner Windham and seconded by Judge Corn to accept the names in the order they were drawn, 1

through 3. The motion was approved with a 5-0 vote. The list of names from the Grand Jury list follows: 1. Danny Cannon, 2. Roy Hunter, 3. Lorraine Giles, 4. Charles Goode, 5. Timothy Byerly, 6. Mary Healy, 7. Labacca Gartmen, 8. Linda Hibbits, 9. Debra Long, 10. Dale Coley, 11. George Davis, 12. Phillip Smith, 13. Thomas Herrell, 14. Cassandra Cook, 15. Kristi Via, 16. Cathy Cameron, 17. Bobby Varner, 18. Terry Comer, 19. Jimmy Hagler, 20. Tommie Tyson, 21. Patsy Ruth-erford, and 22. Jerry Long.

—After discussion, a motion not to participate in an agreement between Callahan County and (NRCS) Emergency Watershed Project was made by Commissioner Kirkham and seconded by Commissioner Windham. The motion passed with a 5-0 vote.

—A motion to approve the Joint Resolution between Callahan County and the Democratic and Republican parties was made by Commissioner Hicks and seconded by Commissioner Windham. The motion carried with a 5-0 vote.

—A motion was made by Commissioner Farmer and seconded by Commissioner Hicks, to pay all approved bills. The motion carried with a 5-0 vote.

—Commissioner Farmer made a motion to adjourn the commissioners' court meeting at 10:55 a.m. Judge Corn seconded the motion and it carried with a 5-0 vote.

Free pipeline safety seminar to be held in Abilene on January 29, 2008 at 6:30 p.m.

The Pipeline Group's annual "Public Education - Contractor Awareness Program" will be held at 6:30 p.m. on Tuesday, January 29, 2008, at the Abilene Civic Center, 1100 N. 6th Street, in Abilene, Texas. The program will be sponsored by a group of companies with a common goal of preventing accidents and damages to underground pipelines and utilities. A free dinner will be catered by Sharon's BBQ & Catering for all persons involved in excavation related activities. Following the dinner, a brief safety program will be presented which stresses the importance of accident prevention by identifying pipeline and utility rights of way, use of one-call systems, and the importance of

working with pipeline and utility companies to safely excavate in the vicinity of underground facilities. The Texas law requiring notification to a one-call system before excavating will be discussed. Sponsors will provide promotional materials; including notification information for their companies, safety related brochures and other safety reminders.

Each year many lives are injured or lost, plus millions of dollars in repairs and lost products are incurred due to "third party" incidents - someone digging into a pipeline. Thousands of communications, some life-threatening, may be disrupted when expensive fiber-optic cables are damaged or severed.

These types of excavation can be financially devastating to the responsible party. This safety program is an attempt to help those who do excavation work to avoid such situations.

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This Week in Texas History

By: Bartee Haile

Custer leaves behind a lot of friends in Texas

THIS WEEK IN TEXAS HISTORY

JANUARY 23 - 29, 2008
BY: BARTEE HAILE

On Jan. 24, 1866, George Armstrong Custer received the marching orders that ended his short but surprisingly pleasant stay in Texas.

A month after Lee surrendered to Grant at Appomattox, the "Boy General" with the long blond hair was sent to the westernmost member of the conquered Confederacy to strengthen the occupation forces. Gen. U.S. Grant made his motives crystal clear in a confidential memo: "I want Custer left in Texas for the present. The whole State should be scoured to pick up Kirby Smith's men and the arms carried home by them."

Policymakers in Washington had a second, more diplomatically delicate reason for stationing Custer and his 4,000 cavalymen in Texas. The French presence in Mexico had grown at an alarming rate during the Civil War, and the new administration of President Andrew Johnson feared a permanent takeover of the weak neighbor by the European power. Thousands of Union troops massed along the Rio Grande for Reconstruction duty were within easy striking distance if the crisis came to a head.

Taking advantage of Americans' preoccupation with their internal conflict, Napoleon III had installed a puppet government in Mexico City. Careful not to violate the Monroe Doctrine with French troops, he shrewdly offered a New World kingdom to Archduke Ferdinand Maximilian Joseph of Austria, who landed in May 1864 with an invasion force of Austrian and Belgian mercenaries.

Passing through Louisiana en route to Texas, Custer found northern units in a state of near-mutiny. With the vanquished Rebs considered fair game, looting and senseless violence were

rampant. The 25 year old war hero was appalled by the rampage and infuriated by the halfhearted attempts of cowardly officers to stop it.

The youthful general refused to be a party to plunder and murder. He issued stern instructions that any man "committing depredations upon the persons or property of citizens will have his head shaved and in addition will receive twenty-five lashes upon his back, well laid on" Strict enforcement of this get-tough edict punctuated by the public execution of a deserter quickly calmed the riotous troops.

In August 1864, Custer arrived at Hempstead, where a prisoner-of-war camp on the Liendo Plantation had been converted into a detention center for southern combatants. Two months later, he led his-horse soldiers through Brenham and Bastrop before camping three miles south of Austin on the banks of the Colorado River.

To the amusement of the locals, Custer established his headquarters in the abandoned asylum for the insane. During his three months in the Lone Star capital, he paid daily visits to the school for the deaf and dumb in order to eavesdrop on the sign-language classes. A fast learner, he mastered the silent form of communication that would come in handy in parleys with the plains Indians.

Libbie Custer, the general's wife, recorded in her journal their mutual admiration for the late Sam Houston. "His name is perpetuated in the town called for him, which will be a lasting monument to a great man who did so much to bring out of chaos a vast extent of our productive land, sure to become one of the richest of the luxuriant Southern states."

Custer's hero worship of Houston as well as his humane treatment of the captive people of Texas proved to be the ideal

antidote for their initial hostility and suspicion. The gentleman general was a gracious victor, the last Texans would see while under the Yankee boot.

Meanwhile in Mexico, the deployment of more than 50,000 U.S. troops along the international boundary caused Napoleon III to have second thoughts about his joint venture with Maximilian. The French unceremoniously withdrew leaving the Austrian duke to fend for himself. Two years later, the bewildered nobleman, who never quite understood why the Mexicans did not love him, was executed by a peasant firing squad.

The French pullout freed the ambitious Custer to chase his dreams of fame and glory. In spite of his widely publicized exploits as an Indian fighter, he was demoted to captain in the peacetime army, a rank insult which drove him to take increasingly greater risks on the battlefield.

Custer's final and fatal gamble came, of course, in 1876 at an obscure river in South Dakota. With the massacre of the Seventh Cavalry at the Little Bighorn, he achieved immortality at last.

The Texas legislature passed a Resolution of Condolence on Jul. 28, 1876 in memory of Custer and the 268 officers, men and scouts that died with him. Omitted from the tribute was any mention of the controversial general's part in the unpopular post-war occupation of the state.

As for Libbie Custer, she survived her legendary husband by an amazing 66 years. Until her death in 1942, the widow of Gen. George Armstrong Custer was revered as the unofficial grand old lady of the United States Army.

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Taylor Electric offers free trip to Washington D.C.

Taylor Electric Cooperative invites all area high school students who live within its 10-county service area to participate in the annual GOVERNMENT IN ACTION - Youth Tour essay contest and win a trip to the nation's capital.

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The contest deadline is Feb. 29th when submission entries will close at 5 p.m. For more information, call 325-793-8538 e m a i l

connections@taylorlectric.com. Kelly Langford Thompson, Director of Communications, Taylor Electric Cooperative 325-793-8538 \kelly@taylorlectric.com

Big Country Chapter of Texas Democratic Women Meeting

The Big Country Chapter of Texas Democratic Woman will meet Monday, January 28th at 7:00 p.m. at Mezamiz Deux Coffee House in Abilene.

Guest speaker Linda Murry will talk about painting with a political emphasis.

The purpose of the meeting is to discuss the 2008 Presidential election and the upcoming state TDW meeting in February. All interested women (and men) are invited and encouraged to join the club or renew memberships.

For more information, contact president Pat Garen at 325-725-3434 or by email at thegap2@clearwire.net.

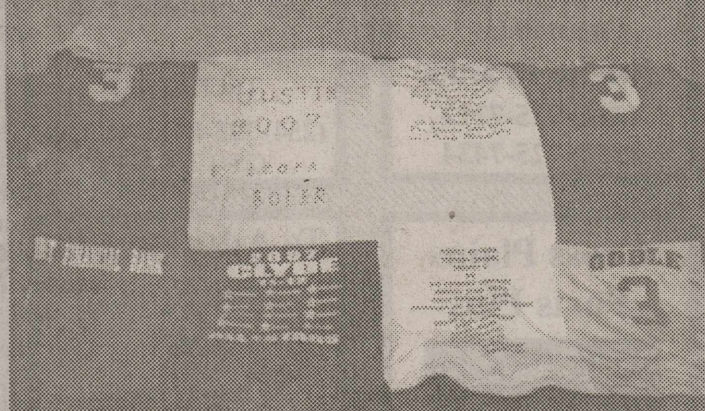
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Barb's Cues

By Barbara Holmes Worcester



SPORTS T-SHIRT THEME QUILT MADE BY LEONA BOLER OF LAKE BROWNWOOD

Sports Minded Grandma

Leona Boler of Lake Brownwood, an avid quilter, delighted grandsons Brandon and Justin Goble with a quilt made from sports jerseys their mother had saved through the years.

The fronts of the jerseys were featured on the front of the quilt and the names and numbers were on the back. Some of the sponsors' names were listed too, which will make fun memories later.

Any special interest would make a nice theme quilt but Mrs. Boler especially enjoys doing

the sports quilts because they do not take a long time to make and the recipients are usually so enthusiastic.

I would be interested in ideas for theme quilts. Maybe we could have a quilt column some time. Let me hear from you.

BHW

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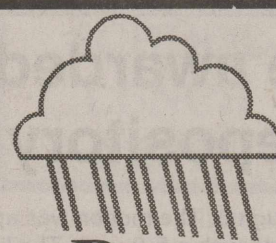
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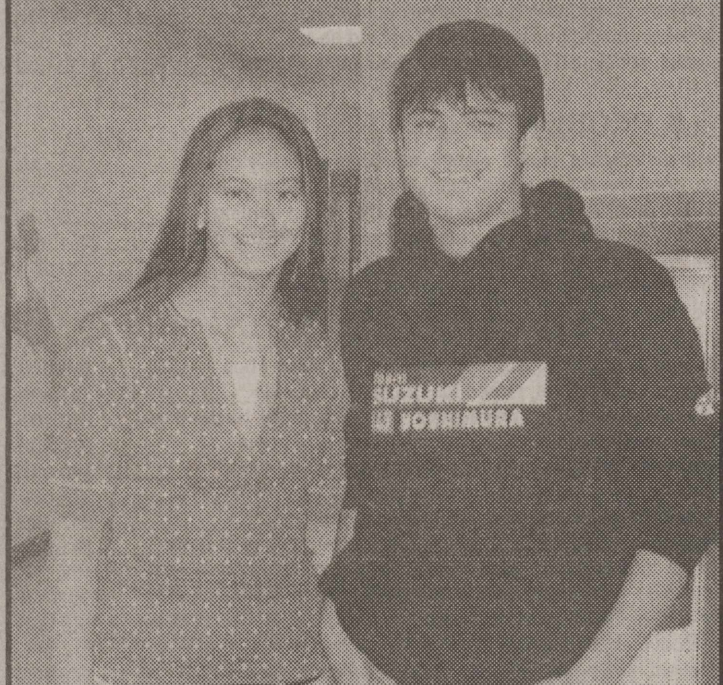
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LOCAL LADY'S GRANDDAUGHTER EXCELS—Sidnee Martinez, also known as Sid, is the daughter of Joe F. and Lil Martinez of Eastland and granddaughter of Sally Davis and the late Sid Davis of Cross Plains. Sid is a Senior at Eastland High School. She is involved in Varsity Basketball, and Varsity Softball. She along with her teammates got 5th place at the Eula Holiday Classic Tournament. There were sixteen teams from across the state. Sid received All Tournament 2007 at the Eula Classic Tournament. She also just recently was named Student of the Month for January 2008 along with Matt Bint (right).



CELEBRATING 60th WEDDING ANNIVERSARY
George and Patsy Friend

Mr. and Mrs. George Friend to Celebrate 60 Years of Marriage

The family of Craig and Ida McNeel and only child Patsy arrived in Cross Plains, Texas from Charleston, Ill. in February 1926 and this has been home to Patsy ever since.

Patsy graduated from Cross Plains High School in 1940. After college in 1945, she worked at the Cross Plains Post Office located in the present bank location. Later she taught Vocational Home Economics in Rising Star. During a summer trip to her mother's sister in Denver, Co., she met George Friend. They were married February 7, 1948 at the family home in Cross Plains. Billie Ruth Loving was Maid of Honor and Ralph Friend, brother of the groom, was Best Man.

The couple has four daughters and two sons. George and Patsy live in Denver, Co., but come to their home (Cross Plains) often.

Please join us in a celebration for the couples 60th Wedding Anniversary. A dinner party is planned for **Thursday, February 7, 2008 at the First Baptist Church Family Life Center.** Visitation is at 5:00 p.m. Dinner will begin at 5:30 p.m. Please **RSVP to Connie Kirkham, 254-725-6500 (home), 725-6318 (work), or by mail, P.O. Box 187, Cross Plain, Texas 76443, by February 3, 2008.**

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Love Fund Established in Eastland for Livia Busby

A Love Fund has been recently established at First Financial Bank in Eastland for Livia Shy Busby. Livia is the daughter of Shawn and Tiffany Busby and the granddaughter of Fred and Donna Smoot and Sheryl Hall.

Livia is a 4 year old Pre-K student of Cisco Elementary.

She was diagnosed with XLH Rickets Sagittal Synostosis secondary do to XLH Rickets. She will undergo surgery consisting of Palgiocephaly of the head. The family would appreciate your contributions to assist them. Contributions need to be made out to Tiffany Busby for the benefit of Livia Busby. Prayers on behalf of Livia and her family would be greatly appreciated.

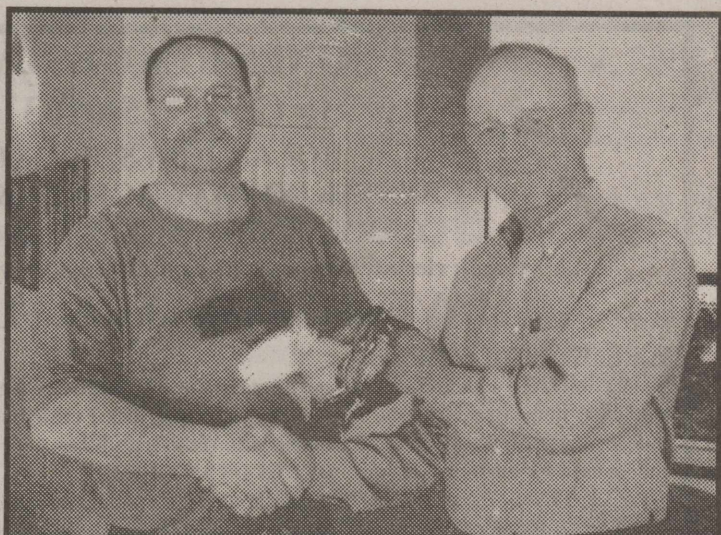
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During her tenure with CompassLearning, she worked heavily with the Los Angeles Unified School District's Beyond the Bell program.

The Los Angeles Sparks are entering their 12th season in the Women's National Basketball Association. The Sparks are one of the eight original teams out of the 14 in the WNBA. In January 2007 the Sparks became the first team in the WNBA to be co-owned by two women and one of six WNBA teams to be owned and operated independently of the NBA. For the first time in franchise history, the Sparks won the top pick for the 2008 WNBA Draft in April. The Sparks were led to back-to-back WNBA Championships in 2001 & 2002 by head coach Michael Cooper who will be returning for the 2008 season. The team's roster of star athletes is led by three-time league MVP Lisa Leslie. The Los Angeles Sparks play their home games at STAPLES Center in the heart of downtown Los Angeles.

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AND THE WINNER IS—Ag Boosters President Joe Holland (left) congratulates and presents the handmade spurs to winning ticket holder Bob Childress of Cottonwood. The drawing took place at the Callahan County Livestock Show on January 19th. The Ag Boosters would like to thank everyone who purchased a ticket. All proceeds will go to benefit the Ag Youth of Cross Plains. (Submitted by Lenell Slinger - Reporter)

Megan's Massage Creates Office Space in Downtown Cross Plains

Megan's Massage is proud to announce that she will be moving into an office space in town.

I will be offering the same services as before such as the one hour and half hour massages, and hopefully more to come. Steam towels will be available for the client to clean off any oils and a shower bathroom for those who wish to take the oil off completely. I will also have a variety of oils that the client can choose to his or her liking. The new address to my office is 117 N Main Street in the Custom Tile of Cross Plains building. My office will be officially open on January 21st, call 325-260-8846 for your appointment today!

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Submitted by Megan Thomas

Big Country Athletic Hall of Fame seeking nominations

The Big Country Athletic Hall of Fame is seeking nominations for the 2008 class.

The 2008 Hall of Fame banquet, the seventh annual event, will be held Monday, April 28th, at the Abilene Civic Center.

To be eligible for the Big Country Athletic Hall of Fame, an athlete must have graduated from a high school in one of the 19 counties surrounding Abilene that make up the West Texas Council of Governments.

Athletes must be out of high school at least 10 years, and coaches must have coached at a Big Country high school and be retired from that position for at least five years.

There also is a category for sports writers, sportscasters and officials, those in local chapters who have distinguished themselves as a football, basketball or baseball referee or umpire, or an official in any other sport.

The Big Country Hall of Fame has inducted 41 individuals in its six years of existence.

Nomination forms may be picked up at any one of the four TSTC West Texas locations or can be printed from the TSTC Web site at www.westtexas.tstc.edu.

Nominations can be faxed to (325) 854-2812 or e-mailed to Bill Hart at hartbill77@yahoo.com.

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