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DOWN HOME

Editor's Note: This story is very enlightening and the message is so true. It's all about Forgiveness! It is a difficult thing to do, especially to forgive yourself. This story may help you if you are troubled with unforgiveness.
Vanda Anderson

"The Duck and the Devil"

There was a little boy visiting his grandparents on their farm. He was given a slingshot to play with out in the woods.

He practiced in the woods; but he could never hit the target. Getting a little discouraged, he headed back for dinner. As he was walking back he saw grandma's pet duck. Just out of impulse, he let the slingshot fly. It hit the duck square in the head and killed it. He was shocked and grieved!

In a panic, he hid the dead duck in the wood pile; only to see his sister watching! Sally had seen it all, but she said nothing.

After lunch the next day Grandma said, "Sally, let's wash the dishes," but Sally said, "Grandma, Johnny told me he wanted to help in the kitchen."

Then she whispered to him, "Remember the duck?" So Johnny did the dishes.

Later that day, Granpa asked if the children wanted to go fishing and Grandma said, "I'm sorry but I need Sally to help make supper."

Sally just smiled and said, "Well, that's all right because Johnny told me he wanted to help." She whispered again, "Remember the duck?" So Sally went fishing and Johnny stayed to help.

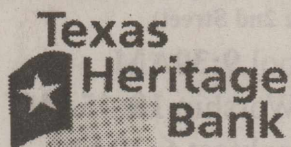
After several days of Johnny doing both his chores and Sally's, he finally couldn't stand it any longer. He came to Grandma and confessed that he had killed the duck.

Grandma knelt down, gave him a hug and said, "Sweetheart, I know. You see, I was standing at the window and I saw the whole thing, but because I love you, I forgave you. I was just wondering how long you would let Sally make a slave of you."

Thought for the day and every day thereafter?

Whatever is in your past, whatever you have done...that the

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Cross Cut Couple Lose Their Home in Recent Storm

By Vanda Anderson
Editor

The severe storm that literally blew through the area Wednesday night, April 9th, took its toll on two mobile homes owned by Richard and Victoria Gross in Cross Cut. The couple had been at work delivering feed to area dairies for Gore Brothers Feed Mill and were not at home when the disaster occurred.

Upon their arrival home they discovered the mobile home they lived in completely destroyed by tornadic winds, along with the second mobile home they were working on for a rental. Their barn was also demolished.

Victoria said they lost everything, except the few things they found in the debris. They are currently living in a third mobile home that was not really liveable, no electricity and only a hose for water. That's "roughing it" in my books.

They had owned the property for only a couple of weeks and had not yet made arrangements for property insurance. Their life has been turned upside down.

A neighbor, Pee Wee Pickett, brought in his bulldozer and cleaned up the scattered metal, etc. He dug a big pit to put all the debris in until it can be covered later.

A Community Shower has been organized for 2:00 p.m. Saturday, May 3rd, at the home of Cliff and Connie Kirkham. Richard and Victoria will select household items at Higginbotham's, Johnson's Dry Goods, and Dollar General, so please remember to stop by and chose a gift for them.

You may not be personally acquainted with Richard and Victoria, but they are in need of our support at this critical time.

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Annual Spring Cleanup

The City of Cross Plains' Annual Spring Cleanup is scheduled for the week of April 28 - May 3.

Residents are encouraged to begin thinking about items they would like to get rid of. They will be able to do so during this week. The City will close out the week with a city-wide clean up on **Saturday, April 26th from 8:00 p.m. - 12:00 p.m.**

A light lunch, water, and a T-shirt will be provided for volunteers who participate in the cleanup that morning.

A chipper will be provided for residents who have brush already cut. If residents want the clippings, it will be left for the homeowner's use. Elderly and Disabled residents may call City Hall during this week to request help with large items.

Residents are asked to participate in the clean up by walking their street and picking up loose trash. Bags can be left beside the roadway and the city crews will pick it up. We are encouraging anyone who wants to volunteer to do so.

Last Chance to Meet a Spy

If you've not reserved **THURSDAY, APRIL 24** to attend the Meet the Author evening sponsored by the Cross Plains Public Library, you might want to reconsider your schedule. James M. Olson will be on hand to discuss his book *Fair Play: The Moral Dilemmas of Spying*. Through the use of scenarios taken from real life clandestine experiences, the author explores the moral issues he and his wife (also a secret agent) encountered on a daily basis. He also encourages the audience to participate in the discussion,

sharing personal viewpoints and opinions.

Who decides what is necessary for the public good? Is it true that any kind of service is permissible for the public good? How can one spend a lifetime practicing deception and still retain a strong moral compass? Do the ends ever justify the means?

This unique presentation will be at the Community Center at 7:00 p.m. Refreshments will be available as folks take advantage of purchasing books and visiting with "a spy."

Submitted by Arlene Stephenson

Cross Plains I.S.D. Aide Seeks Answers

By Deborah Lowitzer
Special Writer

Annette Nickerson asked to speak in Open Forum at the April 17th meeting to clarify to the public the accurate reasons for her swift termination as a **School Aide**. Mrs. Nickerson was one of the Aides mentioned at the March 11th meeting.

Board President Frankie Hyles told her he'd let her have a short speech and that was all he was allowed to do. Mrs. Nickerson thanked him and proceeded to say that she wanted to speak in public to clarify what events had transpired.

She stated she wanted to speak the truth and clear up all the rumors that have been swirling around. "I never forced a child to eat anything, hit a child or put a child in the hospital. I've never screamed at a child. I have been loud in the lunchroom," Nickerson clarified, "to get above the voices so I could be heard."

Nickerson then read a timeline of events, starting on **Tuesday, February 19th** when she admonished a student for an undisclosed action. She informed a teacher about the incident and was then called into **Elementary School Principal Margie Sowell's** office.

She related she didn't lie about the incident or try to cover it up. Principal Sowell strongly reprimanded her but then they talked and came up with a plan of action to remedy the situation.

On **Friday, February 22nd** Nickerson was called into Sowell's office again. This time they met with the child and their parent. "The parent was upset,"

said Nickerson, "but very polite as she listened." She explained there was no malicious intent toward either the child or the parent. Mrs. Nickerson said she apologized several times and assured her it would never happen again. She said she admitted she had made a mistake and was sorry. The parent stated they weren't a vindictive person and at the end of that meeting, quoted some Scripture and hugged her.

According to Mrs. Nickerson, **approximately 15 minutes later**, Superintendent Tennon walked in and announced, "I have no choice but to put you on paid administrative leave until I can investigate the situation." He added, "It'll probably just be a couple of days. Turn in all keys until I call you." She said that he didn't ask what had happened or allow her to voice what had transpired.

On **Wednesday, the 27th** Nickerson had a meeting with Tennon and Sowell. She gave an oral statement about the events. He told Nickerson that he had a signed complaint from the parent. She asked for a copy, but was denied even seeing it. Tennon told her there would probably be a Called Board Meeting about the incident and would let her know.

On **Saturday, March 1st** she received a letter about the Board Meeting to be held on March 3rd. Both Aides attended the Called Meeting **Monday, March 3rd**. On the public Agenda for that meeting it stated, **Consider Disciplinary Action Regarding Two Elementary Aides.**

In the **Closed Session** she said she was handed a packet. Inside

was a written complaint from the parent. She told President Hyles that this was the first time she had seen this. Hyles asked Nickerson if she would like to resign. She answered, "No sir, I don't think I have done anything bad enough to lose my job over."

After the Board deliberated, **Board Member Scott Childress** made a motion to **Take No Action**. No one responded and it died due to lack of a second.

On **Tuesday, March 11th**, in the Agenda for the Regular Monthly Meeting, it read **Take Action on Elementary Aides Job Assignments**. Returning from the 2 1/2 hour Executive Session, the Board of Trustees voted unanimously for Mr. Tennon to supervise the **job reassignments** for the two Elementary School Aides.

On **Thursday, March 13th**, Nickerson was requested to come to Mr. Tennon's office where she was handed a **Letter of Termination**. Stunned, she said, "But I thought you were going to reassign me. What did I do?" He intimated that she had caused problems. She asked, "What problems?" but got no answer.

Summing up her statement, she expressed how much she loved the kids at CPISD. She also reiterated that she had been a loyal and honest employee who always showed up on time each day for the past 13 years.

Looking at the Board Members she implored, "What happened between the Board Meeting on March 11th where I was going to be reassigned and March 13th where I was terminated?" The letter I got was dated March 11,

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School Board Confronted by Trustee D. A.'s Office Mentioned

By Deborah Lowitzer
Special Writer

In the Called Meeting on Monday, April 21st at 5:00 p.m., tension hung in the air as **Board member Scott Childress** pointed out that the Agenda for that night had some glaring errors that oppose the **Open Meetings Act**, a statute of the Texas Attorney General's office.

As **addendum after addendum** was added over the course of a 3-day period, several items got put under the **Closed Executive Session** heading that were not Executive items. They should have been open to the public. For example, any **Take Action** item, by law has to be in **Open Meeting** for a public witnessing of the vote.

Item 2. Take Action on Executive Session Item, 3. Take Action on Athletic Director, 4. Adopt All Titles for Textbooks for 2008-2009 and 5. Take Action on Order Declaring Election of Unopposed Candidate to Cross Plains I.S.D. Board of Trustees, were all supposed to be Open to the Public.

When brought to his attention, **Superintendent Jackie**

Tennon replied that, "She (his secretary, Lurene McNutt) must have typed it wrong." He opposed Childress' observation and said it was OK the way it was.

Board Member Kim Crockett said she had wondered why items 4-5 had been posted as Executive items. Parent **Susan Holland** asked, "Don't you have a certain amount of hours to post the agenda? You just can't change it right now can you?"

It was explained that an **Agenda must be posted at least 72 hours (3 days)** before the held meeting. Childress explained you just can't just take the addendum items out of the posting under Executive Session and arbitrarily deal with them no. There is protocol that legally must be followed.

Therefore, those items wrongly placed under Executive Session could not be addressed during that meeting, but must be on a following Agenda. That Agenda is posted in this week's paper for **Friday, April 25th at 5:00 p.m.** "I've been struggling with this..." stated Childress, as he addressed the Board. "Remember when we got a phone call asking us in a Poll the determina-

tion of the Board...remember that?" No one responded.

He continued, "We got a phone call from **Frankie (President Hyles)** stating that he had talked to **TASBE Legal**, and contacted everyone but me and Vicki (Dillard). He also stated it was OK to terminate the 2 Aides. That was in direct violation of the Open Meetings Act."

Childress continued, "I don't want to be hung up by this like you now all are. It is my duty, as a member of this Board to report the violation."

I have a meeting tomorrow with an investigator in the District Attorney's Office." He went on to explain, "That is why I'm so particular. We're going to have to do things according to the Open Meetings Act."

The Board consisting of Tommy Ames, Jim Cook, Burlie Taylor, Scott Childress and Vicki Dillard, under the prompting of Vice President Kim Crockett, then went into Executive Session. Board President Frankie Hyles was absent from the meeting. Childress did not return when they came back from the Session and the Board promptly adjourned.

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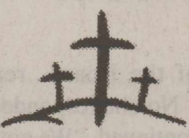
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OBITUARIES



William Charles "Bill" Gibson

William Charles "Bill" Gibson, 81, passed away on April 9, 2008, at his home in San Antonio. Funeral services were held at 1 p.m. Saturday, April 12, 2008, at Porter Loring Mortuary North Chapel, San Antonio. Burial was in Mission Burial Park North.

Bill was born on September 10, 1926, in Pioneer, Texas, to Wright Robert Gibson Sr. and Sybil Jewel Taylor Gibson. He graduated from Pioneer High School in May of 1943 where he excelled in football, becoming the quarterback and team captain.

After high school, he worked in the oil fields in Breckenridge, and in 1944 moved to San Antonio, finding employment as a plumber's helper at Woodard Plumbing Company, owned by his brother-in-law and half-sister.

He was drafted into the Army in 1944, but before he shipped out he married his high school sweetheart, Norma Frances King, of Cross Plains, on November 10, 1944 in San Antonio.

When he returned home from World War II, he resumed working for Woodard Plumbing Company and attended the Plumbers and Pipefitter's apprenticeship program at Union Local 142, eventually earning his Journeyman Plumber's license and Master Plumber's license.

He had an entrepreneurial spirit and started his business, Gibson Plumbing Company, in 1954. After experiencing 50 years of success, he sold Gibson Plumbing Company in 2003, its name remaining unchanged, leaving a legacy of hard work, camaraderie and quality craftsmanship.

He was an extremely talented golfer who began playing at age 8 with his brothers. While in the Army in the Philippines, he was regularly invited to play golf with the officers. He played locally in tournaments in San Antonio, as well as in many American and European cities, one of his favorite courses being St. Andrews near Edinborough, Scotland. He was a member of Oak Hills Country Club for many years, winning four Club Championship Golf title, and serving as the Club President in 1985.

His other interests including hunting, fishing and ballroom dancing.

He was preceded in death by his wife of 59 years, Norma Frances King Gibson of Cross Plains; his parents; his brothers, Wright Robert "Bob" Gibson Jr. and Franklin Delano "Buck" Gibson; his half-sister, Carmen Gibson Woodard; and his half-brother, Harris Gibson.

Survivors include his son, William A. Gibson of Horseshoe Bay; daughters, Deborah K. Gibson of Austin and Marsha Gibson Delavan and husband Marshall of San Antonio; his grandchildren, Nicole Kleffner, Brooke Harden, Marshall W. Delavan and Logan Delavan of San Antonio, and Casey Gelfer of Austin; his great-grandchildren, Carson Kleffner, Madeline Kleffner, Reagan Kleffner and Jack Walker Harden of San Antonio, Gibson Marley Gelfer of Austin; his brothers, Eugene H. Gibson of Brownwood, Ross Sterling Gibson of Andrews; and his sister, Winnie Gibson O'Donnell of Waxahachie.

In his memory, charitable donations may be made to Medina Children's Home, 21300 State Highway 16 North, Medina, TX 78055 or the Alzheimer's Association, 7400 Louis Pasteur No. 200, San Antonio, TX 78229.

Mack Ingram

Mack Verle Ingram was born October 29, 1947, to Bill and Althea Ingram, of Cross Plains, Texas. He attended Cross Plains High and played football for the Buffalos. He was raised on a peanut farm and loved critters of all types. He would rescue baby squirrels, possums, bob cats, and a host of other animals. He loved fishing, hunting, and camping, but most of all, he loved his family and life. Mack loved the quiet of the morning and the rising sun.

Mack went home to be with the Lord on Friday, April 18, 2008.

He is preceded in death by his parents, his brother Joe Ingram of Cross Plains, and sisters, Bonnie and Willie Mae Ingram.

He is survived by his wife, Beth Ingram of Ocala, Florida and four children, Robbyn Ingram Nichols and her husband David of Clyde, Deven Ingram of Colorado City, Shane Ingram of Abilene, and Ame Carlile and her husband Lonnie of Abilene and three step-children, Jerry Machaca, Nikki Lowe, and Tammy Hughes. He is also survived by a sister, Wanda Tyler of Clyde, Texas, a brother Mike Ingram and his wife Judy of Grand Prairie, Texas; his grandchildren, Deric Nichols and his wife Sara of Baird, Brentt Nichols, Landon Nichols, Corryn Nichols of Clyde, Jerrid Ingram, Cameron Ingram, Devonee Ingram, Kaiden Carlile, Summer Carlile, and Autumn Carlile of Abilene, and an aunt, Leta Mae Vannoy of Lubbock and many nieces, nephews, cousins and friends.

Pallbearers were Landon Nichols, Brentt Nichols, Deric Nichols, Kaiden Carlile, Jerrid Ingram and Cameron Ingram.

Graveside services were presided over by Michael Ingram and were held at Tecumseh Cemetery (FM 1178 off of Highway 36) on Tuesday, April 22, 2008.

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Charley Ashley, Jr.

Charley Ashley, Jr., age 78, of Cross Plains, passed away Tuesday, April 15, 2008 at Abilene Regional Medical Center. Funeral services were held at 2:00 p.m. Saturday, April 19, 2008 at the Higginbotham Funeral Chapel, with Rufus Wilson officiating; burial was in the Cross Plains Cemetery.

He was born in Oplin, Texas on April 25, 1929 to Charley and Maggie (Jones) Ashley. He married Erma Green in 1982 in Seagraves, Texas; she preceded him in death on May 18, 2004. Charley was a rancher and a Christian. Charley was a member of the Pioneer Baptist Church in Pioneer, Texas.

Survivors include his son, James Ashley and wife Billie of Snyder; step-daughters, Aline Smith and husband Wayne of Cross Plains, Molly Ward and husband Donald of Coleman Lake; step-sons, Carl Brasher and wife Pat of Coleman Lake, Cecil Brasher and wife Patty of Omaha, NE; sister, Betty Alridge of Loop; grandchildren, Misty Graham, James Rusty Ashley; great-grandchildren, Brandon and Kevin.

He was preceded in death by his parents and wife, Erma, and son, Allen Dwayne.

Robert Edwin (Bobby) Tonne

Robert Edwin (Bobby) Tonne, 57 of Cisco, passed away Tuesday, April 15, 2008 in Hendrick Medical Center in Abilene. Funeral services were held at 10 a.m. Saturday, April 19, 2008, at First United Methodist Church with Rev. John Beckling officiating. Masonic graveside service was held in Oakwood Cemetery under the direction of Kimbrough Funeral Home.

Bobby was born in Ranger, Texas on December 24, 1950 to Robert Lee and Dorothy Jean (Morgan) Tonne. He married Marion Jane Pack in Stephenville on August 29, 1992. He worked as a Corrosion Technician for Atmos Energy and was a member of Moran Masonic Lodge #863, 32nd Degree Mason, Scottish Rite, Southwest Cattle Raisers Association and NACE International.

Survivors include his wife, Jane of Cisco; parents, Robert and Dorothy Tonne of Cisco; brother Roger Tonne and wife Sheila and sister Brenda Fambro and husband Joey, all of Breckenridge; mother-in-law Marion Pack of Stephenville and several nieces and nephews.

The family request that memorials be made to Texas Scottish Rites Hospital for Children, 2222 Welborn Street, Dallas, TX 75437 and First United Methodist Church, 405 West 8th, Cisco, TX 76437.

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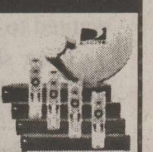
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COTTONWOOD NEWS

BY WALLACE BENNETT

Heads Up!

Okay folks, we are ready, and anxiously awaiting, the Annual Meeting of the Cottonwood Historical Association, which is scheduled for May 3, 2008. At this writing, the Old Post Office has a new coat of paint, and the Old Methodist Episcopal Church, South, is in the process of being painted. The cemeteries have been mowed. Now we are ready to meet with all the Old and the New residents of Cottonwood.

And the addendum to the Cottonwood Cookbook is ready for distribution to the public. The addendum contains new information about the families of old and new Cottonwood, and new recipes for your pleasure. The price for the addendum will be about \$15.00. It is printed on the same paper and size as the original cookbook, which will also be available for sale. Profits for the cookbook go toward costs of preserving and maintaining the historical landmarks of the church and the post office, owned by the Association. Helpers are needed to separate and assemble the addendum to the cookbook.

Ladies who met before quickly assembled the cookbook, so this shouldn't take the whole morning, but if you can come for a couple of hours, please meet at the Community Center on Wednesday, April 30, at 9:00 a.m. The welcome mat is out. We hope that everyone who was once a resident and the new residents of Cottonwood come to this meeting. The Historical Association is the official guardian of the history and culture of the Cottonwood Community, and the Annual Meeting is where everyone learns of the work done each year to preserve the flavor and color of that history.

Cottonwood Roundup

Speaking of history and the culture of old Cottonwood, Ted Ivy was in town recently. He is newly married and came with his "best ex-wife", Dee and their dog, Rags. The couple were married 30 years ago and recently renewed their vows. It is always a pleasure to visit with Ted. He is witty and interesting and has a very good outlook on life, despite his three years in a Japanese

Prison Camp.

Just prior to WWII, Ted Ivy lived in Cottonwood and went to Cottonwood School, where he says he had the "best teacher in the world", Professor Harry Varner. He finished school in Cross Plains with the Class of 1938 and with my brother, Frenchy Bennett.

Ted is a good friend of ours, and the couple now live in Lake Havasu, Arizona. I have visited and "run into" Ted in many places, San Francisco, Reno, Lake Havasu, and other places.

Ted remembers everyone who ever lived in Cottonwood, prior to WWII and where they lived and has a nickname for most of them he remembers from his father, Jon Ted Ivy, Sr. His father and mother, Tish Nordyke, ran a store in Cottonwood prior to WWII.

(For news items or personal items about Cottonwood, please contact, Wallace Bennett, at 254-725-7474 or e-mail at cbs5@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.)

PIONEER COMMUNITY NEWS

The Quilting ladies worked on Laverne's "Sunflower" top and also the "Nine Patch" that we are doing for Bernice Pyeatt. We finally had some warm weather. It seemed that every Tuesday a cool front moved in.

Cowan and Laverne Hutton attended their great-granddaughter, Janecia's birthday party on Saturday. Monday evening Lynn and Pam visited with Cowan and Laverne. Laverne says the spring flowers are so pretty. Seems that their colors this year have been so deep and bright. She said it is the time of the year that nature puts on its beautiful clothing and humans start pulling off theirs. Shame, shame!

The Chesshir farm got .9 inches of rain last week when

Breckenridge had their storm! Charlene is so thankful that we got only thunder, lightning and rain and no high winds or tornados. Charlene went to Eastland on April 6 to a shower for her granddaughter, Sarah King. Sarah and Justin Sellers, who grew up in Cisco, are planning their wedding for June 7th. Jim, Fran, and McKinzie and Fran's son, Billy, were visiting the farm the last two weekends. Charles and Kathy cooked a fish supper for them on Saturday night. It is always a pleasure to visit them.

Wilma Lawrence picked up Glenda Phillips and May Jones on Friday afternoon. She took them to DeLeon to see the Cross Plains High School girls play softball. The girls did a good job. They came up a bit short on

the score but tried their best. Four of our community girls play on the team: Delany Ames, Terrah Augustine, Kayla Lawrence, and Krista Phillips. This is a young team and will be reckoned with in the future. Girls we are very proud of all of you!

We have had some cool and windy weather lately. Only a shower of rain. We do need some slow rain for the grass and trees. The Pecan trees are putting on their leaves and look so lacy. They are usually the last one to get their leaves. There are still pretty wildflowers around. Lots of Purple Martin and Hummingbirds are showing up. I even saw some Scissortails the other day. Spring is surely here.

HAVE A GOOD WEEK!

Down Home

devil keeps throwing up in your face (lying, cheating, debts, fear, bad habits, divorce, hatred, anger, bitterness, etc.) whatever it is... You need to know that God was standing at the window and He saw the whole thing. He has seen your whole life. He wants you to know that He loves you and that you are forgiven.

He's just wondering how long you will let the devil make a slave of you. The great thing about God is that when you ask for forgiveness; He not only forgives you, but He forgets. It is by God's grace and mercy that we are save.

SENIOR CITIZENS MENU

APRIL 28 - MAY 2

MONDAY- Sausage, Sauerkraut, Blackeyed Peas, Cottage Cheese & Fruit, Ranger Cookie

TUESDAY - Chicken Rice Broccoli Casserole, Sweet Potatoes, Mixed Veg., Pears

WEDNESDAY- Pinto Beans w/ Ham, Tomatoes & Okra, Mixed Greens, Peach Cobbler, Cornbread

THURSDAY- N/A

FRIDAY- N/A

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

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LIBRARY NOTES

Library Stats
April 7 - 18, 2008

Patrons	232
Programs	64
LAP	21
LAPsit	9
Books Checked Out	195
LAP	13
LAPsit	7
Copies	107
Reference	6
Internet Users	84
Interlibrary Loans	1

DONATIONS: Wallace and Carol Bennett, Norma Farmer, City of Cross Plains, Joe and Mary Graves, Charles and Kathy Chesshir, and Homer and Helen Parson

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Local Judge Attends Seminar

Judge Burlie W. Taylor was certified at the recent Stage 3 Twenty Hour Justice of the Peace Seminar held April 8-11, 2008 in San Antonio. The seminar was sponsored by the Texas Justice Court Training Center, a division of Texas State University—San Marcos, with offices in Austin.

The seminar is one of three seminars held for newly appointed Justices of the Peace so they can fulfill their Continuing Judicial Education Requirements of eighty (80) hours of training

within the first year of taking office, as set forth in Article 27.005 of the Texas Government Code. This will fulfill Judge Taylor's 80 hours of education requirements for the local office of Justice of the Peace.

The seminar addressed topics such as Where Are You Now?, Introduction to Jurisdictional Increase, Justice of the Peace and Constable Partnership, Civil Law Round Table, Traffic Law and Mock Trials.

Community Blood Drive Scheduled for Tuesday, April 29th

A community blood drive will take place on Tuesday, April 29. The Meek Blood Center Bloodmobile will be at First Baptist Church from 1:00 p.m. until 6:00 p.m. The blood drive that took place on February 12 resulted in twenty seven pints of lifesaving blood.

The following testimony was received by Meek Blood Center from a young man who was diagnosed with bone cancer when he was 18 years old. He underwent surgery and 40 weeks of chemotherapy. As a result of the side effects from chemotherapy, he required 90 transfusions of red blood cells and platelets.

"I would like all potential or current blood donors to know there is a lot to deal with as a cancer patient," said Matt Deyo. "There is so much to cope with,

because you are at the mercy of a system you don't fully understand. The one thing I didn't have to think about was the availability of blood products. I did not question that blood or platelets would be there when I needed them, because there are people who donate on a regular basis. I can't begin to convey how it feels, within a space of a few hours, to go from passing out due to blood loss to feeling pretty good because a few people donated blood to keep you alive."

Blood donors must be at least 17 years old, weigh a minimum of 110 pounds and feel well and healthy at the time of donation. Those who have questions regarding eligibility requirements may call Meek Blood Center at 325-670-2798 or visit www.meekbloodcenter.org.

Upcoming Mothers' Day Luncheon Features Local Young People

Mothers and grandmothers, aunts, cousins, and siblings, take notice that you may want to attend the Mothers' Day Luncheon on May 10, at the Family Life Center, First Baptist Church to enjoy the food and fellowship, but also to see your young person model his/her own clothing made at school.

A fashion show will highlight the clothes and talents of our children and youth, under the guidance and teaching of

Jennifer Wootton, Home Economics and Apparel Class teacher in our high school. Kimmy's Rustic to Rhinestones will provide the accessories to accent the clothes made by the student models.

A delightful menu has been planned and special door prizes donated by Kimmy's, Johnson's Dry Goods, Mary Kay Cosmetics, Snippits, Subway, and the Holmes Agency, plus other not yet named, will be given


away. Tickets for \$10 each are available now from BSP members and are available at Kimmy's, Pancake's Home Stitches, City Hall, and the Texas Heritage Bank. For reservations (in case you can't get out to purchase a ticket), call Wanda Merryman at 725-6476. Deadline for reservations and tickets will be Wednesday, May 7, at 5:00 p.m. Submitted by Carol Bennett



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In the comics, Snuffy Smith tells the preacher, "Thar's too much surveillin' goin' on nowadays, Parson!! Ev'rywhar I go I feel like I'm bein' watched!!" The preacher replies, "Oh, relax, Snuffy!! It ain't no diff'rint than it's always been!!"

Do you join me in remembering quite well the song, "Watching You"? "All along on the road, to the soul's true abode...Every step that you take, this great Eye is awake...As you make life's great flight, keep the pathway of right...God will warn not to go in the path of the foe...Fix your mind on the goal, that sweet home of the soul... Never turn from the way to the kingdom of day...There's an all-seeing Eye watching you."

We can picture God's "watching us" in a couple of different ways, either as "just daring us to make a mistake so He can zap us!" - or "pulling for us, helping us follow in His way." I believe the latter is the more biblical and healthier view, don't you?

I encourage you to share in times of Bible study and worship with us 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

Callahan County DPS Report

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

Cases Investigated
Warnings—67
Complaints—55
DWI—2
Driving While License Invalid—1
Possession of Marijuana Less than 50 pounds, more than five pounds—1

Vehicle Accidents
There were four vehicle accidents investigated during this time span.

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As a candidate for City Council, I would like to ask for your vote in the upcoming election. I am a 1994 graduate of Cross Plains High School and a 1998 graduate of Tarleton State University with a degree in Hydrology and Water Resources.

For the past 6 years I have been employed with an environmental consulting firm and I am also a real estate agent for Liveoak Land & Real Estate here in Cross Plains.

My husband Dustin Hinyard and I have been married for two years and he is employed at Strength's Paint & Body. My parents are Ron and Lexia Bagley and Jim and Garnette McKoy, all of Cross Plains.

As a concerned citizen, I am eager to represent the community's best interests and be a voice for the business owners of this thriving community.

I grew up here and feel that this community has a lot to offer anyone who chooses to be a part of it. This is the most caring community I have ever been a part of. I would like to see Cross Plains and its citizens continue to prosper.

I would like to encourage everyone to get out and vote on May 10th. You can make a difference — if you vote.



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Cross Plains One Act Play

Presents

"Limbo"

by Jerome McDonough

Sunday, April 27th

Dessert and Punch served at 2:00 p.m.
Followed by the 7th grade skit and play at 2:30 p.m.

**\$4.00 - Dessert and Show or
\$2.00 - Show Only**

Please come enjoy an afternoon of entertainment and support these talented actors and actresses.

Cross Plains Lady Buff Softball Report

By Coach Atchley

The Lady Buffs softball played their last two district games this past week. The girls played Eula and DeLeon.

In the Eula game the Lady Buffs were held to 2 hits, one by Emma and the other by Emily. Eula used 14 runs, on 10 hits, 5 walks and 7 errors to make the final Eula 14, CP 0.

In their final game the girls traveled to DeLeon last Friday afternoon. In Cross Plains' 1st - Tiffany got on with a single, Emily hit a single and DeLeon made some throwing errors to allow both girls to score. In

DeLeon's 1st, they used 3 walks, 3 errors and 1 hit to score 7 runs. In their 2nd Kodi is hit by a pitch; Savana hits a single (runners on 1st and 2nd); Miranda walks to load the bases; Kayla walks which forces Kodi in; Delany walks to force Miranda in; DeLeon 7, CP 4.

In DeLeon's 2nd, they used 4 hits, 2 walks, and 3 errors to score 7 runs. Cross Plains did not score the rest of the game, **Final DeLeon 14, CP 4.**

I want to thank the girls for their hard work, and hopefully they will take this year as a year of experience and then improve for next year.

Bufs Rally to Win Two District Games

By Coach Atchley

The Cross Plains Buffaloes had to rally to win two important district games this past week and then last Friday they lost a close game in DeLeon. Their last district game is this Tuesday in Cross Plains against Gorman. In this game, if the Buffs win they will finish 3rd and be in the playoffs. If both Cross Plains and DeLeon lose then Cross Plains will finish 3rd and be in the playoffs. If Cross Plains loses and DeLeon win, then Cross Plains and DeLeon will be tied for 3rd and will have to have a 1 game playoff for 3rd place.

In the game against May, the Buffs will fall behind 5 to 0 after 2 innings. In the 3rd we scored 3 runs. Yates hits a single and will advance to 3rd on 2 pass balls; Reese is walked and JJ is hit by a pitch to load the bases. Markus hits a deep fly and Yates will score; Reese will score on throwing errors; JJ is thrown out at 3rd. With two outs Gibbs will hit a double and then score on Nick's single. May fails to score in their 3rd and will score 1 in the 4th. At the end of the 4th, May 6, CP 3.

In the 5th Cross Plains will score 3. JJ is hit again, advances to 3rd on pass balls. Markus is walked, then Gibbs will hit a double to drive in JJ and Markus. Pat will then hit a single to drive in Gibbs. End of 5th, CP 6, May 6. Yates will settle down and hold May scoreless the last 3 innings. In Cross Plains' 6th, Joe Dalton walks; Yates hits a single; Joe

Dalton will score on a passed ball; JJ gets on by a fielders choice (after the second out); Gibbs hits a single to drive in Yates and JJ. Ford will then get on base due to error. Then Zack will hit a single to drive in Gibbs and Ford. CP scores 5 to lead 10 to 6. In the 7th, Reese hits a single and then scores on a passed ball. **Final CP 12, May 6.**

If you missed the game against Eula, then you missed a very exciting game. Eula will score 2 on 2 doubles and a ground out. In CP 1st, Yates opens with a Home Run; JJ walks, steals 2nd and then scores on a sac fly and a throwing error. In Eula's 2nd, they will score 3 on 3 base on balls and an error. In their 2nd, CP will score 2 after two outs. Pat is hit, Joe Dalton hits a single, Pat scores on Yates single, and Joe Dalton will score on a fielder choice by Reese. Eula will score 1 in their 3rd. CP will answer with 1 run, Markus hits a single, 2nd on a passed ball, gets to 3rd on a fly out and scores on Pats long fly out. End of 3rd- Eula 6, CP 5.

In Eula's 4th they will score 3, Cross Plains will score 1, Yates reaches on an error, gets to 3rd on an error and then scores when JJ hits a single. End of 4th, Eula 9, CP 6.

Eula scores 1 in the 5th. Cross Plains fails to score. Eula 10, CP 6.

In Eula's 6th, they will score 3 more and Cross Plains will score 1. At the end of 6th Eula 13, CP 7. In their last bat, Joey reaches on an error; Yates hits a single (man on 1st and 3rd);

Reese hits a single to drive in Joey; JJ hits a double to drive in Yates and Reese; Markus draws a walk; Gibbs is bit by a pitch (bases loaded); Ford hits a single to drive in 2; Wheeler follows with a single to drive in another run - Eula 14, CP 13. Then Pat hits a single to drive in the last run. **Final CP 14, Eula 13.** Yates pitches the 1st 4 innings and JJ comes in to finish the game.

In the game Friday, the Buffs will have a choice to finish 3rd if they win the game and defeat DeLeon. In this game the Buffs will fail to score in the 1st 3 innings. DeLeon will score 1 in the 1st with a home run and fail to score again until the 5th.

In the 4th Cross Plains will score 3, Gibbs hits a double; Nick reaches on an error - both will score. CP 2, DeLeon 1.

In their 5th DeLeon will score 3, on 1 hit and 2 errors. Cross Plains will answer with 3 in the 5th. Reese and JJ will hit singles and both will score when Markus hits a single. Markus gets to 3rd on throwing errors and will score when Gibbs hits a long fly ball. End of 5th CP 5, DeLeon 4. Cross Plains fails to score in their 6th. In the bottom of the 6th, DeLeon scores 3 to take a 7 to 5 lead. Cross Plains will add 1 in their last at bat on a Gibbs Home Run. **Final DeLeon 7, CP 6.**

The Buffs close out the season Tuesday at home against Gorman, and depending upon the outcome, the Buffs have a shot at making the playoffs.

State TAKS Testing

Cross Plains I.S.D. will be administering State TAKS Test next week. The following grades will be tested on these dates. Please make sure your child gets a good night rest and is at school on time.

Teachers and students have been working extremely hard to prepare for the state test and we are confident they will do well. **If you have any questions, please contact Leann Loyless at 254-715-6121.**

Tuesday, April 29th
Grades 3,4,,6,7,10 - Math
Exit Level Retest - ELA

Wednesday, April 30th
Grades 4,6,7 - Reading
11th Grade Exit Level- Math
Grades 3,5,8 Reading Retest
Exit Level Retest - Math

Thursday, May 1st
Grades 5,8, 10 - Science
11th Grade Exit Level Science
Grade 9- Math
Exit Level Retest - Science

Friday, May 2nd
Grades 8,10 - Social Studies
11th Grade Exit Level Social
Studies
Exit Level Retest - Social
Studies

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Athletic Booster Meeting

Tuesday, April 29
7:00 p.m.
in Gym Foyer

We will be discussing the All Sports Banquet. Please bring any photos that you might have to use.

Application Deadline for Leifton Hunter Scholarship is May 2nd

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

Requirements:

- The scholarship is open to any graduating senior who has enrolled or plans to enroll in a college, university, vocational, or technical school.
- Please write a one-page essay about one of the following topics:
 - 1.) Explain how a particular individual has significantly influenced your life.
 - 2.) Fully describe this sentence. "I am a ____ year old male/female growing up in the United States in 2008 and I am most hopeful/pessimistic about..."
 - 3.) Describe a challenge that you have successfully overcome and how it has affected your life. What challenges do you anticipate facing after graduation?

Selections:

Selection will be based on school and community involvement, financial need, and completion of a brief essay.

Application Deadline:

The application deadline is May 2, 2008 at 5:00 p.m. Please return the application with the essay attached to Debbie Edington at Texas Heritage Bank.

CROSS PLAINS SCHOOL BOARD MINUTES

The Cross Plains I.S.D. Board of Trustees met in a called meeting Tuesday, April 15th with the following members present: Vicki Dillard, Tommy Ames, Burlie Taylor, Frankie Hyles and Kim Crockett.

The following administrators and guests were also in attendance: Superintendent Jackie

Tennison, H.S. Principal S.D. Loyless, Jeff Richter, Heather Richter and Tim Harrison.

Went into executive session at 6:31 p.m., were out by 8:33 p.m. The main item was interviews for Athletic Director.

Motion was made by Hyles and seconded by Dillard to adjourn. 5 For, 0 Against.

The Cross Plains I.S.D. Board of Trustees met in a called meeting Monday, April 21st with the following members present: Tommy Ames, Burlie Taylor, Jim Cook, Scott Childress and Kim Crockett.

The following administrators and guests were also in attendance: Superintendent Jackie Tennison, H.S. Principal S.D. Loyless, Scarlett Koettel, Quenton Koettel, Scott Byrd,

Billy Whiteley, Debby Whiteley, Judy Luter, Beverly Ross, Nora Odom, Susan Holland, Tonja Walker and Annette Nickerson.

Went into executive session at 5:12 p.m., were out by 7:38 p.m. (Childress left in executive session 7:00 p.m.)

Motion was made by Taylor and seconded by Cook to adjourn. 5 For, 0 Against.

CROSS PLAINS SCHOOL BOARD MEETING

A called meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Cross Plains Independent School District will be held on **April 25, 2008**, beginning at **5:00 p.m.** in the High School Administrative Board Room. The subjects to be discussed or considered or upon which any formal action may be taken are as follows:

OPEN MEETING

- Discuss and take action on adoption of textbooks for 2008-2009.
- Discuss and take action on order declaring election of unopposed candidate to Cross Plains I.S.D. Board of Trustees.
- Executive Session
 - A. Discuss Resignation
 - B. Discuss Coaching Assignments
 - C. Discuss Employment of Athletic Director

- Take action on executive session items.
- Adjourn

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

This notice was posted in compliance with the Open Meetings Act on **April 22, 2008, at 9:00 a.m.**

For the Board of Trustees

SCHOOL LUNCH MENU

APRIL 21 - 25

BREAKFAST

MONDAY - Breakfast Burrito, Assorted Juice

TUESDAY - French Toast Sticks, Sausage Links, Assorted Juice

WEDNESDAY - Breakfast Pizza, Assorted Juice

THURSDAY - Hot or Cold Cereal, Toast, Assorted Juice

FRIDAY - Donut, Yogurt, Assorted Juice

LUNCH

MONDAY- Pizza, Salad, Corn, Rosy-Applesauce

TUESDAY- Salisbury Steak w/ Brown Gravy, Mashed Potatoes, Green Peas, Roll, Peaches

WEDNESDAY -Fiesta Salad (Chili Beans, Corn Chips, Cheese), Salad, Rice, Pineapples

THURSDAY-Grilled Cheese, Beef/Veg Soup, Crackers, Apples

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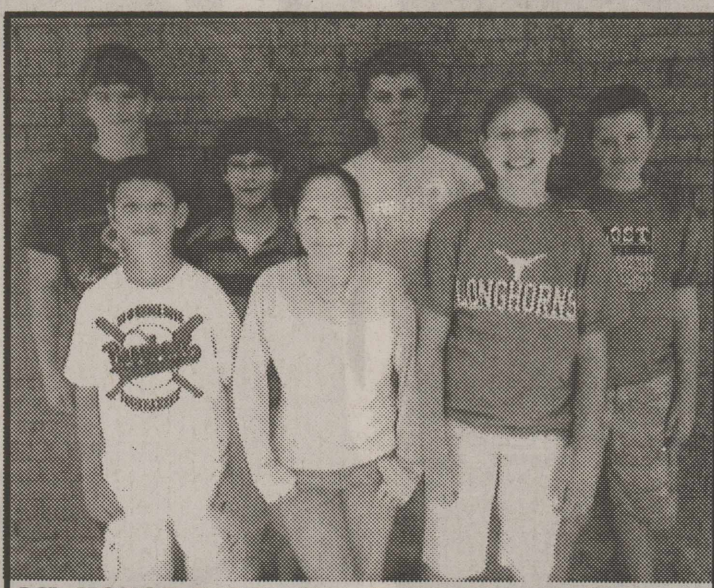
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Cross Plains Students Participate in the Jr. High Honor Band at Coleman

On Saturday, April 19th, several students from 6th and 7th grade participated in the Jr. High Honor Band at Coleman. There were two different bands and each had approximately three hours to work up 3-4 songs to perform that afternoon. These students went and did a wonderful job!

This experience gives the students the chance to perform in a different setting than normal. It gives them the chance to participate in a band that has 100 plus students participating.

The directors were Dr. Robert Tucker and Cory Ash, both professors at Howard Payne University in Brownwood. Each student had a great time and learned a lot of valuable information that will help them as young musicians.



J.H. HONOR BAND—Tony Skidmore (back, from left), Joe Holland, Blake Hutchins and Riley Lawrence; D.J. Horito (front, from left), Meagan Pointer and Christa Potter.

Great job guys, your concerts were awesome!

Submitted by Matt Sowell

Aide

2008 but was signed by Frankie Hyles on March 13th. "What happened?"

President Hyles replied, "All I can tell you is that the results of the evidence we had at that time and advised by our Attorney, we felt that in the best interest of the school district that there would be termination." Hyles added, "I'm sorry for that final decision."

Nickerson implored, "Can I ask why?" Hyles replied, "We did not even have to let it go tonight, but we did." Mrs. Nickerson asked, "Who contacted the Attorney?" and "what Board meeting did that take place at?" To which Mr. Hyles announced that they were going into Executive Session. The Board Members gathered up their papers and left the room.

Open Forum Questions

In Open Forum, Susan Holland asked what the procedure is to file a complaint on a teacher or someone on staff. The Board answered that the protocol was to go first to the Teacher, then the Principal, then the Superintendent and finally the Board of Trustees. She also wanted to know if it went on their permanent record if requested. The reply was that all complaints are logged.

Delores Carter asked if CPISD had a School Nurse and if it was required by the State. Mr. Tennison answered that they contract one through the Service Center.

Tonja Walker asked who would finish the 2008-2009 Buffalo Yearbook since Mrs. Sides resigned. She added that people were very concerned.

Tennison commented that he was very concerned as well.

Judy Luter commented that the school had a wonderful Ag Department and wondered what will happen to the program with the Texas Legislature passing new laws that cut electives down to just one. Tennison said that High School Principal S.D. Loyless is trying to work in time for electives.

Raising a New Ag Building

Bids will be taken regarding the construction of the add-on to the Agriculture Science Building. Many students have graduated throughout the years from CPISD with scholarships to Agriculture based schools. Some have gone to have rewarding careers in welding or carpentry.

With Agriculture being the forgotten frontier in the USA these days, some believe it's vitally important to encourage young men and women to enter the challenging arena of food production.

It was noted that families have even moved to Cross Plains specifically to be a part of this first-class program. Every year kids who participate in the Ag program get many awards and excel above the competition.

With this program being as prolific as it continues to be, measures will be taken to encourage participation, growth and promote greater safety. At present in the tight quarters, someone may be welding right next to someone washing his or her animals. That's not a good mix. Projects have been painted right next to someone grooming

a goat. The consequences can be quite hairy.

The proposed expansion will use the skills of the students to learn how to finish out some of the interior and teach while they save on labor. The new building will be 2500 SF (36' X 70') and the estimated cost is around \$40-\$50,000. Mr. Tennison is supposed to check into the costs and give the board a report next month.

Mrs. Jennifer Wootton, who facilitates the FCCLA (Family Careers and Community Leaders of America) asked the Board to consider helping to fund the trip to the National Leadership Meeting and Contest in Orlando, Florida July 12th-18th. The Trustees agreed to pay the difference between what the group can raise and what's left.

Changes in the 2008-2009 School Calendar will include a later starting time of August 25th. Mr. Tennison remarked that it's getting harder and harder to get out by the end of May. School will run through both Memorial Day and Labor Day. The Christmas Holiday Break will be from December 19th through January 5th.

The Board will let Project Graduation use school facilities if the Methodist Church hasn't completed their building yet.

Letters of assurance will be sent out to Secretary Aides and Auxiliary Personnel. The 2007-2008 Budget was amended for F33 Health Services by \$500.

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Cedar Bluff One Room School House

By Thaila Robertson

Members of our family own the property on which the old Cedar Bluff schoolhouse stand, located about 3 miles from Cottonwood. This building is well over 100 years old. There are very few one-room schoolhouses left in Texas, and to have one in the Cottonwood/Cross Plains area is very special. However we are extremely worried that the same thing that happened to the old Admiral church building will ultimately be the fate of this wonderful piece of our history.

Indeed, time has not been good to this old building. Edwin "Gene" Wilcoxon, put a tin roof on it, boarded up the windows to prevent breakage and watched over it as much as he could while he was alive.

About 15 years ago, a tornado lifted it up off its foundation and resettled it back down about a foot over. Gene put house jacks and concrete blocks under it to support it. The floor was buckled up in one section and the building is not setting 'true'. Thus, it now leans significantly.

About two months ago, someone tore off the boards over the windows and broke out every window. They also tore off the back door, went inside and did much damage to items that were



stored inside. Several other storage buildings and items were also vandalized. We repaired the school building as well as we could—only to have it vandalized again and again. We have since moved out all of the items that were being stored in all of the buildings.

We are writing in order to inform all of your readers of the Cross Plains Review of the sad state of this old school building. Several of you who once attended school in this historic old building have made it know you would like to see it restored. This would be a fairly expensive undertaking. However, our family is willing to help in that endeavor in any way that we can. If there is enough interest in restoring the building, perhaps it could be donated to the Cottonwood Historical

Association.

We have had the Sheriff come out and take fingerprints and pictures of tire tracks and footprints each time it has been vandalized. The Sheriff has been very supportive of our desire to protect the school building. However, he said it will be very difficult to find the vandal(s) without further evidence or witnesses. In the meantime, we would appreciate any assistance in getting the vandalism stopped. If you would like to contact us regarding any of this, we can be reached by writing to:

Cedar Bluff One-Room Schoolhouse
c/o Nelda Wilcoxon
1833 Richland Drive
Abilene, TX 79603.

Thank you, Marvin Wilcoxon, Rhonda Crawford, Thaila Robertson, Nelda Wilcoxon

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Woman wins State Hopping Contest after using Thera-Gesic®



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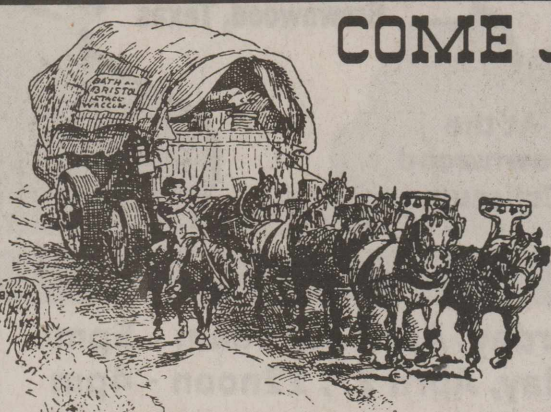
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COUNTY COURTHOUSE Roger Corn, Presiding Misdemeanor Filings

Misty L. Ready, Ct. I - driving while intoxicated (DWI), Ct. II - resisting arrest.
Dustin L. Longnion, possession of marijuana.
Nathan D. Ballard, possession of marijuana.
Danny L. Ballard, possession of marijuana.
Winnie L. Bishop aka Winnie L. Taylor, assault.
Justin L. Hayden, DWI.
Jesus T. Labra, driving while license invalid (DWLI).
Anthony M. Sapetko, possession of marijuana.
Michael F. Turner, theft.
Jeremy J. Enjady, evading arrest.
Billy R. Hargrove, driving with fictitious inspection sticker.
Lynette D. Wagley, theft by check.
Cynthia M. Wheeler, theft by check.
Caanan J. White, theft by check.
Teresa K. Yearwood, theft by check.
Michele J. Lipski, DWI.

Misdemeanor Minutes

Michell H. Soriano, motion to dismiss to theft by check granted for plea to other case.
Travis R. Byram, motion to revoke probation and adjudicate granted.
David Flores II, motion to revoke probation and adjudicate granted.
Whalton Edmond, motion to revoke probation and adjudicate granted.
Rafael Gomez Jr., motion to revoke probation and adjudicate granted.
James F. Purcell, order amending conditions of probation granted.
End of term order discharging defendants under misdemeanor probation: Tommy Stephens; Kyle Locke; Lars Hemwall.
End of term order discharging defendants under deferred adjudication: Jaime Steele; Donald Mackenzie; Inez Hernandez; Sukhjit Singh.
Jonathan Kutej, order extending probation granted.
Jimmy Lambert Jr., motion to dismiss to burglary of a vehicle granted for plea to other case.
Steven Ramos, motion to revoke probation granted.
Albert Alvarez, motion to dismiss to theft by check granted in the interest of justice.
Lori Faye Bilski, motion to

dismiss to public intoxication granted for plea to other case.
Terrea L. Cheeley, motion to dismiss to theft by check granted in the interest of justice.

Marriage Licenses

Ulys A. Beard of Coleman and Lavada B. Poindexter of Clyde.
Tyler S. Mackey and Mykea S. Douglass, both of Cross Plains.

42nd DISTRICT COURT John Weeks, presiding

Civil Filings

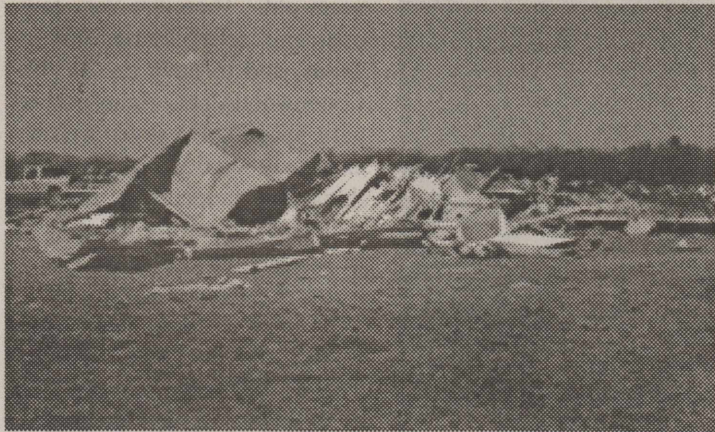
Kenny Dale Taylor and Winnie Lenora Bishop Taylor, divorce.
Patricia Carolynn Whitmire and Edward Kermit Whitmire, divorce.
Steven Wayne McLean and Shawna Marie McLean, divorce.
Palisades Collection LLC vs. Lendsae Stephenson, Michael Stephenson, default on note.

Civil Minutes

The Cit Group/Sales Financing, Inc. vs. Matthew W. Booth and Cassandra J. Booth, order granting nonsuit.
Kinney Robinson, individually and as personal representative of the estate of Kaleigh Robinson and John Robinson vs. General Motors Corporation, Saturn of Lubbock, Inc., Saturn of Abilene, Inc., Saturn Corporation, Newell Rubbermaid Inc. and Graco Children's Products, Inc., order of partial nonsuit granted.
Citibank (South Dakota) N. A. vs. Kimberly N. Deal, order granting plaintiff's motion for nonsuit with prejudice.
Tommy Lynn Lee and Tonya Renee Davis, divorce granted.
Billy Michael Miller and Tasha Naomia Miller, divorce granted.

Criminal Minutes

Leopoldo Sanchez Jr., judgment revoking probation granted.
Lunden Seals, plea of guilty to possession of a controlled substance, 1 year in prison, \$234 court costs.
Saeed F. Ashofteh, motion to dismiss to possession of a controlled substance granted, insufficient evidence.
Ali M. Saifi, motion to dismiss to possession of a controlled substance granted, insufficient evidence.
Terry Abraham, plea of guilty to possession of a controlled substance, 18 months in prison, \$334 court costs.



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Revolutionstrings Engergized the Community last Saturday Night

By Vanda Anderson
Editor

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Darcie Radcliffe, the director of the group, has groomed them well. They are very polished and amazing to hear. You couldn't help but clap and tap your toe to the lively tunes of many styles of music.

They tried out several new selections on the audience Saturday night that they had never performed in public. One song was "Chop Sticking". It had a Chinese sound with a little rock and roll. They were all great!

My personal favorite was "Cotton-eyed Joe". You could tell that the young performers liked it too. They put so much enthusiasm into their performance— playing to each other, changing positions, great facial expression, and eye contact.

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Jerry Cassle and Debbie Gosnell attend TMCN Network luncheon in Comanche

The Comanche Chamber of Commerce hosted one of six network luncheons being held in April sponsored by Texas Midwest Community Network. The luncheon presentation and discussion focused on "Tools for Growth". Ideas were shared on methods to enhance community programs and projects.

During the luncheon community representatives from surrounding cities offered tips and testimonials on successful events, economic development projects and "best practices" for communication with local volunteers. The group also discussed housing issues that prevail throughout the region and how to address the issues for future growth.

In addition to Comanche, cities represented at the

luncheon included Abilene, Brownwood, Cross Plains, De Leon, Dublin, Early, Gorman, Goldthwaite and Hamilton. Participants from neighboring cities included mayors, city administrators, economic development representatives and chamber of commerce members. The meal was catered by Cook's Fish Barn.

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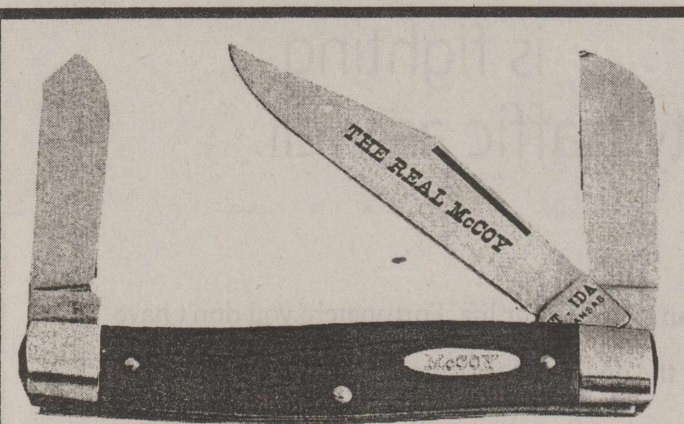
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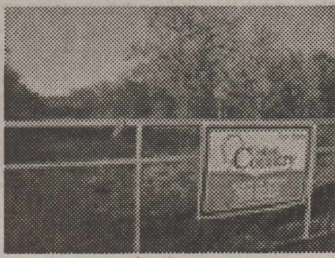
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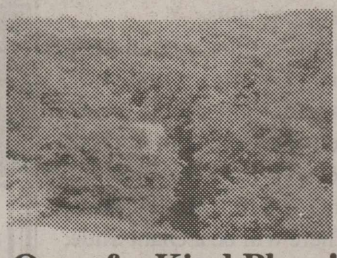
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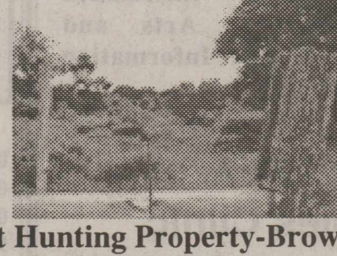
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Commissioners table Citizens EMS subsidy increase

The Callahan County Commissioners' Court took no action and tabled until a later date a request from the Citizens Emergency Medical Service to increase the ambulance service's subsidy.

The Citizens EMS met Monday, April 14th at the commissioners' court regular monthly meeting held at the Callahan County Courthouse in Baird.

Attending the meeting were Mayor Dustin Hawk, representing the City of Clyde; Jeff Barton and Nancy Turnbow representing the City of Baird; and Doug Ford, Margo Vinson, Daniel Vinson, Harold Hass, and Terry Joe representing Citizens EMS.

Mr. Ford presented the commissioners' court with a progress report and a summary of operation costs for the Citizens EMS service. He requested on behalf of the Citizens EMS board, an increase in the amounts of the subsidies provided by Callahan County, City of Baird and City of Clyde.

The commissioners' court took no action at this time and tabled the request until a later date.

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 were Judge Corn, Commissioner Precinct #1 Harold Hicks, Commissioner Precinct #2 Bryan Farmer, Commissioner Precinct #3 Tom Windham, Commissioner Precinct #4 Cliff Kirkham, County Treasurer Dianne Gunter, and County Clerk Donna Bell.

—The minutes of the previous meetings were reviewed and

signed.

—During time set aside for public comments, no one spoke to the commissioners' court.

—Eddie Baugh and Robert Garlett came before the commissioners' court to discuss the condition of and request repairs on County Road 619, which is located in Commissioner Precinct #1. The road is paved and has a lot of traffic. Commissioner Hicks said at this time there is no money or material to take care of the repairs. No action was taken.

—John Young requested the commissioners' court permission to close a portion of a road in Precinct #1 and to declare the road a third-class public road. Young told the commissioners' court that quite a bit of illegal dumping was taking place along this road. There was no action taken at this time in order for the commissioners' court to check the legalities of closing the road.

—The commissioners' court held a discussion of the Callahan County Sheriff's office receiving a grant to purchase radios in the County if the County would purchase and install a 40' antenna to be attached to the Sheriff's Department building in Baird. The grant amount is for \$58,000. Commissioner Farmer made a motion to purchase a 40' antenna and Commissioner Kirkham seconded the motion and it carried with a 5-0 vote.

—Sheriff Eddie Curtis and Deputy Bobby Beard related to the commissioners' court the Sheriff's Department has a shortage of deputies and dispatchers. There is quite a bit of overtime because of this shortage of manpower. Commissioner

Farmer made a motion for the Judge and County Treasurer Dianne Gunter to work with the Sheriff on a solution to this problem. Commissioner Kirkham seconded the motion and it passed with a 5-0 vote.

—Commissioner Kirkham made a motion to rename and have 911 addressing readdress a portion of FM 604 in Clyde. The new name will be Hunt Street. Commissioner Windham seconded the motion. The motion carried 5-0.

—After discussion and consideration, Commissioner Hicks made a motion to allow the Department of Human Services to change the sign on the building the Department leases from the County to their new name. The motion received a second from Commissioner Farmer and the motion passed with a 5-0 vote.

—Commissioner Windham made a motion to pay all the approved bills. There was a second by Commissioner Farmer and the motion carried with a 5-0 vote.

—The meeting was adjourned at 11:54 a.m. by a motion from Commissioner Hicks and a second from Commissioner Windham and a vote of 5-0.

—The commissioners' court also held a Public Meeting at 9:10 a.m. to receive public input on the name change and addressing of a portion of FM 604 in Clyde. There was no public input.

—Commissioner Farmer made a motion to adjourn the public meeting at 9:15 a.m. Commissioner Windham seconded the motion and it carried with a 5-0 vote.

Denton Valley School Reunion Planned for April 26th

The annual Denton Valley School Reunion will be held Saturday, April 26th at the Clyde Intermediate School cafeteria. The school is located on FM 1707 (Hays Rd). Take exit 299 off of I-20.

The business meeting will be held at 11:00 a.m. with lunch being served at 12:00 noon. Please come and enjoy meeting with friends and sharing good times. If you have pictures or anything connected with the school, please bring them to share with us.

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This Week in Texas History

By: Barte Haile

Pershing compares Pancho to chasing wild geese

Apr. 23 - 29, 2008

Realizing his chances of catching Pancho Villa were slim to none, Gen. John J. Pershing divided his force into five parts on Apr. 29, 1916 in the hope of finding and finishing off the guerrilla leader's followers.

The purpose of the sneak attack on Columbus, New Mexico was to provoke the United States into military retaliation. If everything went according to Pancho's plan, Venustiano Carranza, the newly installed president, would discredit himself by endorsing the invasion while the "Lion of the North" rallied his countrymen against the hated gringos.

On Mar. 10, 1916, the day after the raid, the secretary of war telegraphed the following instructions to Fort Sam Houston: "You will promptly organize an adequate military force of troops under the command of Brigadier General Pershing and will direct him to proceed promptly across the border."

Six days later, John "Black Jack" Pershing led 15,000 soldiers into Chihuahua, the rugged stronghold of the villistas. The 55 year old veteran of the Spanish-American War and the Philippines campaign against the Moros was hamstrung from the start by presidential ground rules, which put population centers off-limits and banned the use of Mexican railroads for resupply.

Two weeks into his leisurely retreat, Villa stopped to regroup at Guerrero due west of the city of Chihuahua. In a minor skirmish with carrancistas, he was struck by a stray bullet that ripped through his right calf shattering the shinbone.

Crack U.S. cavalry surprised the disoriented villistas the very next day. During a horseback engagement spread out over a ten-mile battlefield, the mounted Americans killed 30 guerrillas before running out of targets.

Meanwhile, two trusted aides carried pain-wracked Pancho high into the mountains, where the trio took refuge in a cave. Villa gradually mended as wild rumors of his death circulated. Search parties of American soldiers periodically passed by the hideout and even camped for a night at the mouth of the cave without ever knowing how close they had come to their prey.

Frustrated by the deliberate interference of his carrancista allies and the mounting hostility of the Mexican people, Pershing candidly called the six week-old manhunt "a wild goose chase." In a disheartened letter to the army chief of staff, he cautioned against counting any chickens before they hatched. "I hope that your office and the war department in general have not allowed yourselves to become optimistic of the capture of this brigand, Villa."

By June the futile pursuit had settled into a monotonous routine. Going through the motions of pointless patrols, cavalry officers gave antagonistic townspeople and unpredictable government garrisons an extra wide berth. Expecting any day to be ordered back across the border, no one wanted to be the last American killed in Mexico.

The exception to this sensible rule was Capt. Charles T. Boyd, commander of Troop C of the 10th Cavalry. He stubbornly ignored the advice of an American rancher to detour around the 400 machine-gun equipped carrancistas at Carrizal and insisted upon riding straight into the hornet's nest with less than 100 soldiers.

The local general came out to greet him, but Boyd belligerently broke off negotiations by refusing to wait for his host to consult his superiors. The unruffled Mexican calmly replied, "You may go through the town, but you will walk over our dead bodies to do it."

Three hundred yards from the enemy fortifications, the cavalrymen dismounted and continued their advance on foot. Four strategically placed machine-guns suddenly roared into action pouring thousands of rounds into the exposed American ranks.

Though shot through the hand, Capt. Boyd to his credit courageously charged a machine-gun emplacement. A few feet from his objective he dropped dead from two fatal wounds.

A wet-behind-the-ears lieutenant took the place of the slain captain only to suffer the same fate. He passed the cursed command onto a stunned sergeant and with his dying breath gasped, "Take the troop forward and take the town!"

But that was easier said than done as the battle degenerated into a rout. Thirty panicking Americans escaped leaving an identical number in enemy hands. Seven that surrendered were executed on the spot, a despicable deed that raised the death toll to 44.

President Woodrow Wilson reacted to the carnage at Carrizal by calling out the National Guard. A full-scale conflict seemed imminent if not inevitable with 50,000 troops massed on the international boundary from Arizona to Brownsville. But the public passion cooled as Americans had sobering second thoughts about another war with Mexico.

Gen. Pershing ran in place for eight more months until Wilson's reelection removed the last political obstacle to his less than triumphant return. Instead of punishing Pancho Villa, the so-called "Punitive Expedition" had not even succeeded in slapping his wrist.

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(s) Donna Bell
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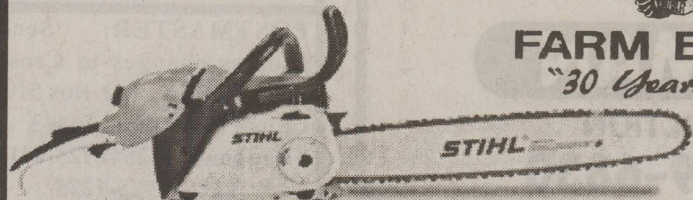
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James McNew (left) and Dell Rose III are among the creative scholars who routinely visit the Howard Museum.

Visitors Enjoy a day in Cross Plains

Mealtime is a good time to be in Cross Plains as there are so many choices of great places to eat. Recent visitors had that decision to make when they arrived in town around lunchtime, only to find that the public library they wanted to visit did not open until 1:00. The Staghorn seemed to beckon the travelers and they had nothing but good things to say about their meal.

James McNew of Prescott, AZ and Dell Rose III of Midland, TX, long time fans of Robert E. Howard, were eager to see the numerous Howard holdings at the library. From there, arrangements were made for them to tour the Howard Museum with members of Project Pride.

McNew, who has a Master's Degree in German, was delighted to find the Museum had a copy

of Howard's poetry – written in German and published in Switzerland. So delighted, in fact, that he entertained the others with an emotional impromptu reading from the book – translating to English as he read.

Rose is currently enrolled in the University of Texas at Permian Basin where he is pursuing a Bachelor of Fine Arts degree. Both young men are acquainted with Tumbleweed Smith, who teaches at the University and who has included the Howard House and Project Pride on his syndicated radio program, "The Sound of Texas."

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The festivities start on Saturday at 10 a.m. with a parade on Conrad Hilton Avenue downtown

Cisco. Then the crowds will move to CJC campus to enjoy live entertainment, specialty foods, pioneer demonstrations and vendor items.

Festival hours are 10:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday and 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday. There will be a golf scramble on Sunday afternoon at 1:30 at the Lone Cedar Country Club. For more information call 254-442-2725.

Nominal cost for entry is adults \$2.00 and children \$1.00. Students from CJC and Range Junior College may get in FREE with their student ID. (The token committee has requested that visitors bring change or bills of \$20 or less in denomination for purchase of the wooden tokens for food. Some local checks may be accepted.)

All types of food booths will be available including home-baked bread and cinnamon rolls. There will also be a Coke booth available for drinks. There will be seats in the areas between the food and entertainment tents.

Vendor booths will include antiques, jewelry, woodwork, birdhouses, dolls, floral arrangements, and more. There will be activities for children including a new giant climbing wall. There will be a Giant Slide, Combo Unit Fun Jump, Obstacle Course and Face Painting. Pioneer demonstrations will include corn husk dolls, tatting, corn shelling, making wooden bowls, and more.

For additional information call Cisco Chamber of Commerce at 254-442-2537; Food Vendor Information 254-442-1602; Arts and Craft Booth Information 254-442-3827.

Baird FFA Rabies Clinic set for April 29th

The Baird FFA Rabies Clinic is set for Tuesday, April 29th from 4:00-6:00 p.m., at the Ag building. Cost for the shots are \$12.00 for Rabies or \$30.00 for all vaccinations.

The Rabies Clinic will be hosted by the Baird FFA. The Callahan County Vet Clinic will donate a portion of the fee for the FFA to travel to the State Convention in Lubbock.

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CROSS PLAINS CITY COUNCIL ELECTION

My name is Bob Kirkham and I was born and raised in Cross Plains where I attended high school. After graduation I was inducted into the US Army where I proudly served my country in the Army Medical Corps. After receiving an honorable discharge from the service I went to work for the Kerr McGee Corporation and retired after twenty-five years as a Senior Safety Engineer. I later spent several more years in various management and supervisory capacities in the Health & Safety Field. I finally retired again in 2002, and in 2004 I moved back to Cross Plains to make my home.

I have been actively involved in the community in the Masonic Lodge and the American Legion and feel that I can contribute to the community by giving of my time in the roll of City Councilman. Although I have no personal agenda, I still feel there is always room for improvement. I think change is good for a community and feel that fresh new ideas will help to move Cross Plains to a new, higher level. It is my belief that we can never become complacent with our success and that we need to strive to achieve better for the future generations.

I understand the complexity associated with working with the public to provide services in a safe manner. I have worked with many federal departments concerning safety issues, rules and regulations. Therefore, I feel my expertise in these fields will equip me to better understand the rules that govern our city.

I also believe it is imperative to provide safe and sanitary drinking water to our citizens. We must continually be working to make our city a safe place to live and raise our families. There should be activities for both the young and old alike for a better quality of life. Grants of all kinds should be sought out to help provide these facilities. All organization as well as businesses should be vigorously working together to find new and better ways to build our community.

Therefore, I ask for your support in the upcoming election for City Council. Early voting begins April 28-May 6th with Election Day on May 10th. I ask for your support and your vote.

VOTE MAY 10th
BOB KIRKHAM
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