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Callahan County Jr. Livestock Show Set For January 25, 26 & 27

The Annual Callahan County Jr. Livestock Show will begin on January 25 at 6:00 p.m. with the judging of the rabbits and poultry. John Straley of Oplin is President of the Callahan County Jr. Livestock Association and he said that entries are expected to number about 500 this year from the various FFA Chapters and 4-H Clubs in the County.

Other officers of the association are Eddie Riley, Vice-President, Rita Caffey, Secretary and Ed Brady, Treasurer.

Superintendents for this year's show are: Beef Cattle, Jimmy Seider & Richy Crow; Market Lamb, Charlie Palmer & Don Harris; Market Swine, Eddie Lewis, Glen Altman, Gary McDowell; Poultry & Rabbit, Pam Harris & B.P. Stephenson; Dairy & Meat Goats, Danny & Martha English.

Judging of the rabbits and poultry will begin at 6:00 p.m. on

the 25th with Bill Coalson of Abilene doing the judging. All participants must be checked in by 5:00 p.m. on the 25th.

Judging will begin at 8:30 a.m. on the 26th with the Breeding Sheep Show followed by the Market Lamb Show. Preston Faris of Sonora is judging the Breeding Sheep and Market Lamb Show.

The Dairy Goat & Meat Goat Show will follow the Lamb Show on Friday the 26th. Vanie Reynolds will judge this show.

At 1:00 p.m. on the 26th, Jimmy Strube of Garden City, will start judging the Breeding Swine followed by the Market Swine.

On the afternoon of the 26th from 1:00 - 4:00 p.m. all steers and heifers will be classified and weighed. Judging of the Beef Cattle will get under way at 8:30 a.m. on Saturday morning the 27th with the Heifer Show to be

judged by Richard Spencer of Roby. Spencer will also judge the steers starting at 9:00 a.m. Following the steer show, a Bar-B-Que Lunch will be served followed by the Premium Auction at 2:00 p.m. The Awards Presentation of all the trophies for the champion animals will be held prior to the premium sale auction to be conducted by Ronnie Vinson of Clyde.

Announcers for the three day show will be Jack Corn, James Trammell, Dick Vestal and Tim Stone.

Officials of the Show would like to invite everyone out for all or part of the show and support the young folks of Callahan County.

Sincerely,
Greg Gemgross
Callahan Co. Extension Agent
Courthouse
Baird, Texas 79504
915-854-1518

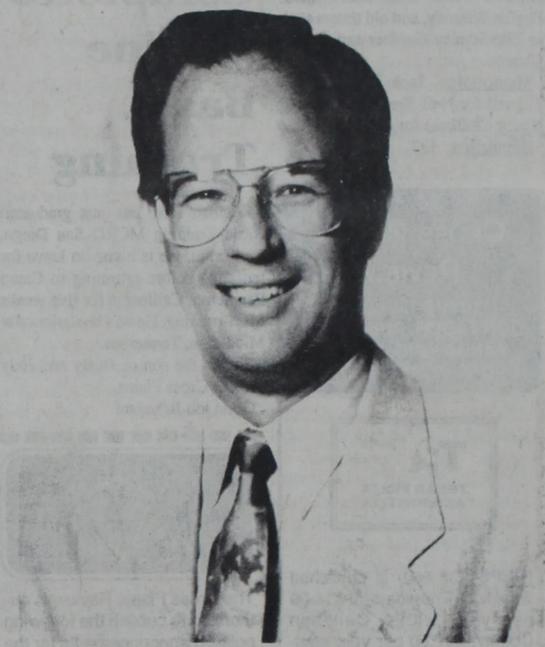
Beta Sigma Phi 1996 Miss Valentine Parade & Photogenic Contest Feb. 17

The 1996 Miss Valentine Parade is just around the corner! The parade is on Saturday, February 17, at the Cross Plains School auditorium. This year our theme is called the Dream Catcher. Our parade this year will have some interesting adjustments. One of our objectives is to give the boys more recognition. This along with some other adjustments are being made in order to ensure a fun but yet smooth parade.

Be sure to watch for parade entry forms in yours children's backpacks. This year the boys that are escorting the girls will have a form also. We are excited to get the Valentine Parade started!

It is time once again to be getting your children's photos ready for the Photogenic contest. Each year during the Valentine Parade winners from the Photogenic contest are announced. In order to enter, you need a current picture, unframed, up to an 8x10. The picture may be color or even black and white. Be sure and put the child's name, birthday, age and parent's name on the back of the picture. You may enter as many pictures as you want, each picture entry fee is \$5.00.

The Photogenic contest is broken down into 12 different age divisions. The judges then select the winners based on composition and their photogenic qualities. Entry forms may be obtained from Nora Odom at the Cross Plains School. You may return your entry form to Nora Odom, or any Beta Sigma Phi member. The deadline to turn in pictures is Monday, February 12. The winners will be announced at the Valentine Parade Saturday, February 17. The winners will receive a trophy. The winning pictures will be put in the paper. The other pictures may be picked up after the Valentine Parade. If you have any questions you may contact: Jamie Apple 725-6296, Judy Luter 725-7222, or Nora Odom 725-6840.



DAVID BACON

PROJECT PRIDE MEMBERSHIP DINNER JAN. 15

Project Pride is inviting the public to join them again this year for their annual membership dinner, Monday, January 15, at 6:30 p.m. at the Cross Plains Community Center, 9th and Beech Streets.

Tickets are \$7.00 each for a brisket plate, dessert and drink. Tickets should be purchased in advance and are available at Greenwood Insurance, Citizens State Bank, Betty Lewis at the J.P. office and the Library. If this is not convenient you may make arrangements for tickets by calling Margaret McNeel at 817-725-6100 between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m. or 817-725-6498 after 5 p.m. No carry out plates will be available.

Guest speaker for this years event will be David Bacon, popular sportscaster on Abilene's K-TAB TV station. Bacon is a familiar TV personality in most of our homes and ProjectPride is delighted to bring him to Cross Plains.

David Bacon is a 1971 graduate of Abilene Cooper High School and a

1975 graduate of Southern Methodist University in Dallas with a BFA in Radio/TV. He has worked for TV stations in Midland/Odessa, San Antonio and St. Louis. He has been at K-TAB since December 1981. His duties include anchoring the 6 and 10 p.m. sportscasts on the area's top rated TV station. He has also done radio play-by-play of local high school teams in football, basketball, and baseball. Mr. Bacon has been the play-by-play radio voice of the ACU Wildcats since 1985. He is married to the former Cheryl Mann, a professor at ACU. They are parents of two children, Michael and Kate.

ProjectPride membership is open to all persons who are interested in making Cross Plains a cleaner, more attractive place to live and preserving and documenting the history of the community. Annual dues are \$3.00 per person or \$5.00 per couple. You are encouraged to join this group and look toward a great year in 1996.

United Fund Directors Meet Today

The Board of Directors for the local United Fund will meet Thursday, January 11, at 3:00 p.m. at the Cross Plains City Hall.

Election of new officers and members will be the main objective of the session.

Colonial Oaks Services

Pioneer Pentecostal will conduct worship services at Colonial Oaks Nursing Home on Sunday, January 14, commencing at 3:30 p.m.

READY, AIM, FIRE

The Cross Plains 4-H Club is holding their annual sign-up for the Callahan County Shooting Sports event. Anyone interested or who might be interested bring a parent or guardian to the Multi-Purpose Center on January 18 at 6:30 p.m. Club members are advised that our monthly business will be taken care of first. All members are asked to bring sandwiches and chips. Drinks will be provided. The Shooting Sports presentation will begin at 7:00 p.m.

Mr. Bob Robinson will be on hand showing different types of firearms and presenting a short film on the Shooting Sports Event.

If you have any questions contact Lanitta Sturgill at 725-6634.



STEVE MACK REPRESENTS CROSS PLAINS—as a delegate on the Texas Midwest Community Network Council. He also serves on the Executive Committee which is the governing body of the organization.

Regional Effort Moves Forward In 1996

Texas Midwest Community Network was founded in 1994. For a year the groundwork was established to provide non-governmental ways communities and community leaders can work together for the well-being of the region.

Thirty-three towns in the 20 counties surrounding Abilene have become the backbone of an organization to promote regionalism efforts concerning tourism, business development, a louder voice in Austin and interaction among community leaders.

Communication is the key to keeping people informed and working together. The regional network of communities and community leaders strives to maintain steady communications in and among the towns participating in TMCN.

Each participating town has a community liaison that sits on the TMCN Council and represents the interests of that town. The community liaison for Cross Plains is Steve Mack. The alternate representative is Tim Dillard.

Delegates from each community provide the leadership and planning to implement projects sponsored by the Texas Midwest Community Network. In 1996 watch for announcements regarding luncheons, speakers, workshops, publications and efforts with legislators from this region. For additional information contact the TMCN Office at (915) 893-2099.



Mendez Appreciation Day Jan. 11

Andre (Andy) Mendez a long time employee at the Callahan County Farmers Co-op has announced his retirement. Andy has been an employee at the Co-op since May, 1969. Andy has been a very valued employee for the past 26 years and will be greatly missed by all. The co-op will be hosting a retirement party for Andy on January 11, come and go all day at the mill on East 1st Street. We would like to invite everyone to come by for refreshments and the chance to visit with Andy.



NEW BUSINESS TO OPEN LOCALLY - Denise Coulter is pictured on the left of Fred DeLuca, founder and president of the Subway chain, and Yvonne Peevy is on his right.

Robert E. Howard City's Claim To Fame

During a recent trip to Milford, Connecticut, Yvonne Peevy and Denise Coulter discovered that Cross Plains has a claim to fame. Yvonne and Denise were completing a two-week training course for opening and operating a Subway franchise. This training involved some in-store training time, and during this time several customers asked about their home. They always replied, "Cross Plains, Texas," and were surprised when one gentleman answered, "That's where Robert Howard is from." This man had never visited Texas but he knew about Cross Plains and one of its famous residents.

The Cross Plains Subway is owned by Yvonne and husband, R.T. Peevy. Their daughter, Denise Coulter, will manage the franchise which will open sometime in February.

Arbor Day Program At Garden Club January 12

The next meeting of the Cross Plains Garden Club is scheduled for Friday, January 12, at 2 p.m. The place of the meeting is to be the Multi-Purpose Center at 701 East 8th Street. This month's topic is "Civic Pride -- Community Landscaping".

The Arbor Day Program is to plant a tree at the Cross Plains Multi-Purpose Center. "Landscape for Fresh Designs" will be presented by Mrs. Joyce Odom. "Landscape for Dry Design" will be brought by Mr. Robert Powell. Mrs. Maurine McCuin will present "Landscape for Horticulture".

Following our business meeting and program refreshments will be served. An informative and innovative program is anticipated.

FBC Youth Sponsor Bake Sale Saturday

First Baptist Youth will hold a bake sale Saturday, January 13, in front of Village Market on West Highway 36 beginning at 9:00 a.m.

Proceeds will finance a spring break ski retreat for the youth group.

1995-96 Yearbook Sale Jan. 30

The 1995-96 School Yearbook Sale will be ONE DAY ONLY, TUESDAY, JANUARY 30, at the local campus due to the sales tax law. NO ORDERS WILL BE ACCEPTED AFTER JANUARY 30 and all orders MUST BE PREPAID. The cost is \$25.00. You may contact Peggy Bailey at 725-6123 or Lurene McNutt at 725-6121.



CROSS PLAINS PUBLIC LIBRARY NEWS

Jan. 2 - 5, 1996

New Library Cards: Zachary Riney, Sandy Doss, Becky Smith, Ben Honea, D.A. Gary, Veronica Evans, Kathy and Darrell Johnson

Mysteries: If you're the type that enjoys a good mystery with cold weather and a warm fire, come to the library. You'll find an excellent collection of *who-done-it's*, including John Grisham, Victoria Holt, Mary Higgins Clark, Ross MacDonald, Phyllis Whitney, and old timers such as Erle Stanley Gardner and Agatha Christie.

Memorials: Jack and Kathryn Tunnell for Nell Fleming; Don and Nancy Childress for Guy Stroud
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PFC BRANDAN FINN

Finn Completes Marine Basic Training

Brandan Finn has just graduated Basic Training MCRD San Diego, California. He is home on leave for ten days before returning to Camp Pendleton, California for five weeks MCT training. He will be stationed at Middleton, Tennessee.

Finn is the son of Dusty and Jody Finn of Cross Plains.
Good job Brandan!

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Political Calendar

The Cross Plains Review is authorized to publish the following political announcements for the Callahan County office filings in the upcoming Democratic Primary Election set for Tuesday, March 12, 1996.

For Callahan County Attorney W.L. (Dub) Burke

Pol. Adv. paid by treasurer, Dub Burke, 956 Cherry Street, Baird, TX 76804
All political calendar advertising for the Democratic Primary Election is payable in advance, at a cost of \$90.00. A free press release and photograph will be published one time with each announcement.

CHURCH SERVICES

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Church Training 8:00 p.m.
Evening Worship 7:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Service 7:00 p.m.
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Thursday Night Service 7:00 p.m.
Ruby McCowen, Pastor
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COURTHOUSE NEWS

COUNTY COURT Bill Johnson presiding

Misdemeanor Filings
Michael Johnson, criminal trespass.

Charged with TPC (theft of property by check): Jerry D. Menchaca, Barbara R. Long, Andy E. Maxwell, Jesse Reynolds, Becky R. Cates.

Pat Lane Smith, speeding appeal.
Mack Anthony Henson, criminal mischief.

Kathy Eaglaski Villa, false report to peace officer.
Driving while license suspended: Guadalupe G. Fernandez, Patricio Ramos, David Z. Martin.

Driving while intoxicated: Laura Ruth Hitzelburger, Thomas Leonard Smith.

Randy Lee Cooper Jr., reckless driving
Curtis C. Hutson, speeding appeal.

Misdemeanor Minutes

Regan Gamble, motion to revoke community supervision dismissed.

Timothy Dale Freeman, defendant granted restricted Texas operators license.

Kenneth McCollough, motion to revoke community supervision dismissed.

Stonew Bee Williams, motion to revoke community supervision granted.

Danny M. Cannon, convicted of deadly conduct, \$1000 fine plus court costs and probation fee, 90 day jail term suspended under probation of 1 year.

Michael Johnson, convicted of criminal trespass, \$1000 fine plus court costs and probation fee, 180 day jail term suspended under probation of 2 years.

Sammy James Sapp Jr., motion to revoke community supervision granted.

Elaine Rogers, judgement plea of guilty to TPC, \$10 fine and \$195 court costs.

Angel Martinez, speeding case dismissed.

Andy E. Maxwell, judgment plea of guilty to TPC, \$10 fine and \$195 court costs.

Joseph M. Stratman, speeding case dismissed.

William C. Jones, order substituting counsel.

Barbara Long, judgement plea of guilty to TPC, \$10 fine and \$197 court costs.

Gary Brent Stover, motion to revoke community supervision granted.

John H. Herpeche, order granting community supervision in abstentia.

Eulice Garland Gee, order amending conditions of community supervision.

42nd DISTRICT COURT John Weeks presiding

Civil Filings

Jas. R. Isenhower, et al, vs. Adler Petroleum Co, et al, suit to recover oil and gas lease.

Ex Parte William Todd Patton, writ of Habeas Corpus.

In the interest of Alvin Kane McCutchen, a child, confirmation of child support review order.

Divorces filed:
Janette S. Bruton and Charles Wayne Bruton and in interest of minor children.

Patria Rynah Clark and Joe Patrick Clark and in interest of minor children.

Kimberly Ann Odom and Cody Price Odom.

Cheryl Darlene Roberts and Richard Ancel Roberts.

In re: Lary Dale Hutchens, an adult, petition to change name.

Civil Minutes

In the interest of Mary Edna Pazour, a child, order on motion to stay.

In Re: Mildred Yvonne Parkhill, an adult, decree granting change of name to Bonnie Martin Parkhill.

Divorces granted:

Houston, Tonya Renee and Russell Lynn

Covington, Margaret and Benjamin Dale and in interest of minor children.

Harris, Teresa Michelle and Michael Britt and in interest of minor children.

In interest of JaDeana Dawn Nolan, a minor child, order on motion to modify.

Douglas Leslie Blue and Patricia Beaty vs. Jayson Turner Jackson and Robert B. Poyner, intervenor's motion for non-suit granted.

In interest of Jason Cole Allison, a minor child, order to transfer.

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ADVERTISE IN THE CROSS PLAINS REVIEW

Attention!!

Goat Entries For Callahan County Jr. Livestock Show

Attention Goat Entries In the Callahan County Livestock Show January 26, 1996.

All Meat Goats **MUST** have their hair in a full clip 7 to 14 days before the show. Remember, these animals are not accustomed to having all their hair off, so they need to be blanketed or have a heat lamp. These goats must be healthy or you will not be allowed to show them. Also, remember weigh-in time for Meat Goats will be January 25, 1996 3:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m. at the County Barn in Cross Plains. Animals will remain on exhibit after weigh-in unless dismissed by Department Superintendent. Shavings can be used in pens ONLY.

The Dairy Goats will need to have a winter clip. This means clip the inside of their ears, clip their feet and their udder. All Dairy Goat Exhibitors (ONLY) will be required to wear white pants and a white shirt to show your goats. Dairy Goats check-in time will be Friday, January 26, 1996 at 7:00 a.m. At this time the tattoos and papers will be checked.

Entry fees are: \$10.00 for Meat Goats and \$3.00 for Dairy Goats. If you need more information, call Martha or Danny English 915-893-2136.

OBITUARIES

Anderson "Tud" Hounshell

Anderson H. "Tud" Hounshell, 79, died Tuesday, January 2, 1996, at a local nursing home.

Services were held at 2 p.m. Thursday at Higginbotham Funeral Home Chapel with Gary Hounshell officiating. Burial was in Cross Cut Cemetery.

Mr. Hounshell was born in Brown County and was a farmer and an Army veteran.

Survivors include two sisters, Julie Byrd of Cross Cut and Lucille Legg of Tolar; two brothers, O.C. Hounshell of Electra and J.C. Hounshell of Lufkin; and several nieces and nephews.

Pierce Newman Jr.

BURKETT—Pierce Phillips Newman, Jr., 70, medical pioneer in the effects of man and his prolonged submergence in submarines, died Friday, January 5, 1996, at his home.

Memorial services were held at 5 p.m. Sunday in Stevens Funeral Home Chapel in Coleman with the Rev. Jeff Robinett officiating.

Mr. Newman was born in Baton Rouge, Louisiana, and graduated from a Port Arthur high school, the University of Texas, and UT Medical School in Galveston in 1947. He served in the U.S. Navy's V-12 pro-

gram during World War II and was a submarine medical officer during the Korean conflict. He was a deep-sea diver and interned at Charity Hospital in New Orleans. He was a pathology resident at the U.T. Galveston hospital from 1954-58 and started his practice at St. Patrick's Hospital in Lake Charles, Louisiana. He transferred in 1976 to Park Place Hospital in Port Arthur and Mid-Jefferson Hospital in Nederland. He married Geneva McIntyre in 1971 in Jennings, Louisiana, and moved to Burkett in 1991.

He was a past president of the Louisiana Pathology Society and was a Fellow in the American Society of Clinical Pathologist and College of American Pathologists. He was an inspector for the American Association of Blood Banks and was a director of the Admiral Nimitz Foundation. He was a member of Texas, American and Pan American Medical associations; and Veterans of Foreign Wars in Coleman. He was a Methodist.

Survivors include his wife, of Burkett; two sons, Pierce P. Newman III of San Antonio and Albert P. Newman of Flagstaff, Arizona; three daughters, Elizabeth Goodrich of Eden, Amy Harwood of Austin and Monique Thress of Houston; and two grandchildren.

Memorials may be sent to a favorite charity.

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NEWS

By
LINDA EDINGTON
Activity Director

Glenda Chandler, Bertha Wheeler and Clara Coburn were honored with a special birthday party given for them by their families and friends. We extend our heartfelt sympathies to the family of Tub Houshell.

Sylvia Smith is looking pretty with her new perm.

A warm welcome to our new resident Minnie Swann. Ruby Harrell is back with us.

Midge McCall was our winner for a meal at Jack's Place. Thanks Wanda and Jack.

Billy and Janie Woody from Phoenix, Arizona visited with Nettie Clark.

Jewel and Leo Thompson visited with Sylvia Smith.

Barnella Gray from San Angelo visited with Lorena Wright.

Betty Montgomery from Midland, Dorothy and Scott Welch from Fort Worth visited with Leila Montgomery.

Mr. and Mrs. Buster Gardner from New Castle and Frances Thornton visited with Myrtle Wilson.

Teri Coburn, Bobby Clarkston, Kim Price and Clay Garrett Price from Dallas visited with Clara Coburn.

Shea and Lavena Peppler and June Swann from Denton, Penny and Linda Chandler visited with Glenda Chandler.

Mona Wilson from Abilene visited with Bertie Powell.

LaTosha Tillinson from Weatherford, Douglas Ingram and Sharon Hooten from Fort Worth and Michael Ingram visited with Inez Ingram. Ned and Billie Clark from Canyon

visited Nettie Clark. Emma Shackelford and baby Joy, James and Robert Dalton from Quincy, Illinois visited with Wayne Dalton.

Rachel Baty and Brennan from Cross Cut visited David Smelly.

Deborah Griswold visited with Irma Deen Haddox.

Sherri, Christopher, Carie, Allan, Alyssa and Sandy Wheeler, Wanda and Edwin Edwards, Smokey Callaway and Janet Purvis from Cottonwood visited with Bertha Wheeler.

Jeanell Purvis and Mozelle Richardson was here visiting everybody.

Ferne Hutchins visited with Buster Black and Glenda Chandler.

Chris, Jimmy and Sharon Pickett visited with Ruth Pickett.

Melvin and Vivian Bush from Tye visited Mable Fann and Nettie Clark. Activities during the week:

Monday: Bingo winners were Allie Dickson, Dorothy Thomas (3), Mary Keele (3), Vera Belyeu. Bible Study with Bro. Jim O'Dell. Exercise class.

Tuesday: Art class. Popcorn. Skip-Bo games.

Wednesday: Sing-a-long with Bob Wallace. Exercise class.

Thursday: Bingo winners were Vera Belyeu (2), Midge McCall (3), Mary Keele (4), and Dorothy Thomas (2). Skip-Bo games.

Friday: Singing with Bob Wallace. Sit-down-basketball.

Sunday: Pioneer Pentecostal.

If God shuts one door, He opens another.

BURKE T NEWS

By
LOVERA STRICKLAND

Burkett was on the cold side over the weekend. Sunday morning the temperature was 9 degrees.

Paul Walker visited his parents, Andrew and Doris Walker, New Year's weekend.

Bro. and Mrs. Brumlow and Snook attended the Burkett Baptist Church last Sunday. He is a retired minister and Bro. Price ask him to preach Sunday morning. Everyone enjoyed his message.

Mr. and Mrs. bob Truhlar of Lincoln, Nebraska, visited their cousins, Birdie and Gill Helms Thursday. The Truhlar's spend some time in China Springs, every year.

Our sympathy goes to the family of Dr. Phil Newman, Jr. He passed away Friday morning. Memorial services were held for Dr. Newman Saturday at 5:00 p.m.

Rodney Long of Gaitersburg, Maryland visited his parents, Leonard and Christine Long during the New Year weekend.

Joe Burkett received a telephone call from a young lady in France applying for a crop dusting job. Joe gave her several addresses for crop dusting schools. The price of the schools didn't seem to be any concern to her. We wish her success.

Visitors in Lanett Burns' home New Year weekend were Bill and Geraldine Young and Robert, Toni, Jennifer and Cassie Payne of Lubbock; Chad Burns of Abilene; Tommy Burns of Breckenridge; Greg, Margaret, Shannon, Amanda and Nicole Sanders of Georgetown; Caroline Sanders; Richard and Linda Burns; Casey and Janeen Jones; Jessica, Josh and Shannon; Sepeda and friend Mark of Round Rock; Billy and Lafaye Pace; Tamora Burns; Shaun, Malinda and Shaunna Dorrell; Chuck, Parissa, Melanie and Dalton Terrill from San Antonio. Lafaye Caroline, Geraldine and Richard visited their Aunt Ethel Wilson.

Celesta Young of Arlington visited her sisters Clairene Edgar and Freeda and Virgil Burkett. She spent several

days with them.

Mike and Linda Brady spent the Christmas holidays with their children Kelly, Faith and Savannah Brady of Columbus AFB, Columbus, Mississippi, Dawson and Kim Schnauty of Kyle; Tim, Melinda, Stephanie and Colton Bledsoe of Valera; and Jacky, Sandy and Nicholas of Kyle; Terry, New Year guest were Tim, Melinda, Stephanie and Colton Bledsoe of Valera; Ben and Lucille Creek of Coleman; Russell and Alisa Gould of Abilene; Marty, Glenda, Brooke and J.J. Callaway; Jacky, Sandy and Nicholas and Steve Kleiber of Burkett.

Sonny Strickland of Breckenridge visited Bill Strickland, Eddie and Beverly Strickland and Jack and Lovera Strickland Sunday.

Word was received last week that Dwayne Holman passed away. He was the son of the late Jessie and Juanita Holman.

D.J. and Lois Turner have returned from a weeks trip to the Texas Coast. Their sons and families, Mike, Janice and Cliff of Blanket, Terry, Becky, Rennie, Keith, Annette and Hayley of Gainsville treated them for their 50th wedding anniversary on December 22. They stayed at the Aransas Princess at Port Aransas on the Gulf Coast. Points of interest was crossing on the Ferry, Touring the Lexington Aircraft Carrier used during World War II. We enjoyed the Aquarium where volunteers told about the sea life, alligators and crocodiles. Several sharks were seen also Barracudas. On the top deck you could see the Big Tankers passing in the ship channel or load their products, mostly oil, we were told. The one we saw was loaded, going in and was named Panama. Several went deep sea fishing. We also saw a 1000 year old growing Live Oak Tree at Rock Port on Goose Island, saw Columbus' 3 ships, "Santa Maria, Pinta and the Nina". These were the replicas of the original ships. Everyone enjoyed walking on the beach and collecting shells and sand dollars.



COUNTY JUDGE GUEST OF KIWANIS—County Judge Bill Johnson was the guest of Kiwanian Tommie Harris at the January 2 meeting of the Cross Plains Kiwanis Club. Judge Johnson updated those

ACU Students From C.P. Receive Degrees

ABILENE—Daniel Crockett and Susan Tucker Maddox of Cross Plains received degrees during December commencement at Abilene Christian University.

Crockett received a Bachelor of Arts degree in English and is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Larry Crockett. Maddox received a Bachelor of Business Administration degree in accounting.

Located 150 miles west of Dallas/Fort Worth, ACU is a private university with the churches of Christ and with an enrollment of more than 4,400 students. For more information about ACU, call toll-free 1-800-888-0228 or in Abilene 674-2000.

COTTONWOOD NEWS

By
BEVERLY BROWN

It is a frosty cold Monday morning, this January 8. After a week of cold temperatures in the 30's and 40's, we are to jump up into the upper 60's and 70's for our highs this coming week.

On New Years Day large snow flakes started to fall around noon and by night fall the ground was covered in a winter wonderland scene of snow. Our first snow fall of the New Year 1996. If the first twelve days of January is an indication of the twelve months weather pattern, we will have a dry year.

The school children had Tuesday off to enjoy the snow with fun and games. Growing up in snow country the fun things to do in the snow were endless. We use to build snow men, make forts, and have snow ball fights, go sledding, we all had our own sleds, skiing on the little slopes in our yards, make angels and make a huge circle for a pie slice game. The top fun was wading through the deepest snow banks we could find, especially on our way home from school.

Friends and family members gathered at the Colonial Oaks Nursing

Home in Cross Plains on Thursday, January 4 to surprise Mrs. Bertha Wheeler on her 90th birthday with cake and refreshments. Those attending were Janet Purvis; Virginia and Smokey Callaway, Wanda and Edwin Edwards, Sherry Wheeler and Chris, Carrie Wheeler, Allan and Alyssa and Sandra Wheeler all of the community. The Cottonwood Quilting Club members remembered her special day by sending a beautiful bouquet of flowers. We all wish her a belated Happy Birthday Wishes.

The 1996 Rehab Telethon for the West Texas Rehabilitation Center of Abilene and San Angelo will be held this Saturday, January 13 at the Abilene Civic Center. Your support will be appreciated. We do hope you plan to attend the auction and telethon.

The Cottonwood Musical will be held on January 19. The Cottonwood Quilting Club members will be featuring chicken and dumplings on their menu that evening. Do make your plans to attend and visit with friends and neighbors.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

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Ann Harper
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An American traveler, while touring in Italy, stopped one day and watched with curiosity as a lumberman occasionally jabbed his sharp hook into a log and removed it from among the many others that were floating down a mountain stream. As the American's curiosity grew, he finally asked the lumberman why he did this. The man replied: "These logs may all look alike to you, but to the trained eyes, a few are quite different. Most of them grew in a valley where they were protected all their lives from the strong winds; their grain is coarse. These that I have singled out grew high on the mountains and from the time they were sprouts and saplings, they were lashed and buffeted by the strong winds -- so they grew stronger and have a fine intricate grain. We save them for the choice building; they are too precious to use as plain lumber."

We have a tendency to seek "happiness" and shun sorrow, but Jesus says, "Blessed are they who mourn." We have a tendency to seek the course of least resistance, but the Master says, "Blessed are they who have been persecuted and reproached." In each instance, He promises more than just "blessedness" -- which in this instance is referring to real happiness; He promises real comfort to those who mourn, and the kingdom of heaven to those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake. (Matthew 5:4, 10-12)

If some load, some sorrow, is upon your life -- if some distasteful task is yours to perform -- if some heavy cross has been placed upon your weary shoulders -- it just may be that God is preparing you for some higher purpose. Yours may be a choice work or building -- beyond the capacity of "plain lumber".

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SHARP ANNOUNCES TAXPAYER SEMINAR FOR THE ABILENE AREA

(AUSTIN)—"At the Comptroller's Office, we understand that state tax issues can sometimes become very complex and confusing. Since taxpayers can't just pick up and come to Austin whenever they need assistance we'll hold a free taxpayer seminar in the Abilene area on Tuesday, January 16, 1996." State Comptroller John Sharp announced today.

The seminar will be held at 209 Danville C202 from 3:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. Vanessa Zientek and Mary Sue Riskus from the Comptroller's Abilene field office will be available to meet and discuss any questions pertaining to state taxes.

"It's important that taxpayers have a full understanding of state taxes. This seminar has been designed just for that," Sharp said.

Vanessa Zientek and Mary Sue Riskus, two of our many agency experts, will be available to deliver quick accurate information to all tax questions and assist taxpayers in any way we can.

Those taxpayers who cannot attend the free seminar can call the Comptroller's toll-free hotline at 1-800-252-5555 for additional assistance.

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BUFFALOES OPEN DISTRICT WITH WIN OVER MOUNTAINEERS

By COACH BILL BOYD

It wasn't pretty but it was a win! The Cross Plains used a 23 point 4th quarter to defeat the Santa Anna Mountaineers 72-47. This game was one that the Buffaloes led from the opening tip-off but failed to put Santa Anna away till the 4th.

Cross Plains had four Buffs in double figures in the scoring column, Donnie Dillard led all scorers with 17 followed by Joseph Turner with 13, Jeremy Barnett with 12 and Benji Blackstock with 11. Dillard and Dusty Hargrove led all rebounders with 11 each followed closely by Barnett with 10. Brock Walker had 9 assists and Turner led in the steal category with 3 1/2 followed closely by Brandon Stover with 3. This game

saw every Buffalo in the scoring column.

The J.V. Buffaloes continued their winning ways with a 45-26 win over the J.V. Mounties, Scott Ricci and Jarad Richards led the Buffs in scoring with 13 and 11 respectively. Ricci, Richards and Zach Edington were all tied for the rebound lead with 8 each. This team is much improved and work hard everyday in practice to make themselves and the varsity better. Come out and support the Buffs!

Tuesday night the Buffaloes hosted Panther Creek and won 65-47. Every Buffalo played in this game and scored in this game. Donnie Dillard led all scorers with 17 points followed by Brock Walker and Jeremy

Barnett with 12 each. Dillard led all rebounders with 13 followed by Dusty Hargrove with 8. Benji Blackstock led in the steal category with 4 followed by Dillard with 3, Walker led in the assist category with 6.

The J.V. Buffs defeated the J.V. Panthers. Jarad Richards led all scorers with 10 followed by Zach Edington with 9, Edington also led in rebounds with 6. Richards led in steals and assists with 5 and 4 respectively.

The Varsity and J.V. Buffaloes will have four consecutive games on the road. They need your help with your attendance at the games as they strive to continue the Cross Plains Basketball Tradition. See you at the gym!

Buffaloes Lose First Game In Tournament Final

By COACH BILL BOYD

It took 17 games but the Cross Plains Runnin Buffs finally lost a game. The Buffs were defeated in the finals of the Ranger Tournament by Ranger 64-56. The Buffs his a miserable 15 out of 33 from the free throw line and this sealed the Buffaloes fate.

In earlier rounds of the tournament Cross Plains defeated Huckabay 74-65 and Ranger J.V. 80-37. The stat

leaders for the above mentioned games are as follows:

Ranger:
Points: Dillard 17; Barnett 12; Turner 10
Rebounds: Dillard 15; Barnett 9; Hargrove 7
Steals: Barnett 2 1/2; Blackstock 2 1/2
Assists: Walker 6; Blackstock 4
Huckabay:
Points: Walker 20; Barnett 18; Turner 11; Dillard 11

Rebounds: Dillard 11; Walker 9; Barnett 9
Steals: Walker 6 1/2; Barnett 3
Assists: Walker 9
Ranger J.V.
Points: Dillard 20; Walker 12; Blackstock 12
Rebounds: Blackstock 7; Walker 6; Dillard 6; Barnett 5
Steals: Walker 3; Blackstock 2; Dillard 2; Barnett 2
Assists: Walker 3; Turner 3; Blackstock 3

7th & 8th Grade Girls Open Second Half Of Season Hosting Santa Anna

By COACH MITCHELL ATCHLEY

Last Thursday night the 7th and 8th grade girls opened the 2nd half of their season by hosting Santa Anna.

The 7th grade won 23-17 by scoring 11 points in the 4th quarter while holding Santa Anna to 2 points.

The first half was a game of too many turnovers and missed shots and this allowed Santa Anna to take a 7 to 4 lead. By the end of the 3rd quarter Santa Anna had a 15-10 lead. In the 4th quarter the girls finally began to put things together and took control of the game eventually winning by 6 points.

Scoring and playing was Jennifer

Turner, 6 points; Lindsey Meiron, 5 points; Lindsey Barnett, Ashlee Hutchins and Amber Wilson scored 2 points each. Also playing and helping in the victory was Ashley Harris, Elizabeth Cary, Alisia Hail, Amanda Goble, Toni Mae Wyatt and April Weaver.

The girls district record is 4-1 and they travel to Santa Anna Monday to play them again.

The 8th grade game was I believe the longest game I had seen in a while. There were 51 fouls called and with all the turnovers the game was a long one.

The final score was Santa Anna 37, Cross Plains 18, the girls did not play one of their better games and the

score reflected their play. The girls travel to Santa Anna Monday, January 8 and play the same team again, so they will have a chance to redeem themselves.

Playing and scoring for the girls was Amber Taff, 6 points; Nikki Bushnell, 4 points; Brandi Richey 3 points; Misty Kelly and Jennifer Brame 2 points and Libby Koenig 1 point. Also playing was Brittany Bennett, Jody Payne, Ann Stephenson, Tabby Clark, Dani Preisman, Vanessa Webb, Christy Beaty, Melinda Richardson, Mary Jo Nickerson, Stephanie Childress and April Potter. The girls have 3 more games and an 8th grade tournament here at Cross Plains January 20.

The National Energy Education Development Program (N.E.E.D.)

By ANGELA SWIFT

On Wednesday, October 25, a student delegation comprised of Angela Swift, Aaron Norris, Shena Thomas, and Josh Hopkins went to Region 14 Education Service Center in Abilene to attend a special energy conservation workshop. The program was "Kids Teaching Kids' How To Save Energy". Now that we have been educated in this area, we are attempting to reach some goals. One of the goals we are trying to reach is educating students in the 4th, 5th, and

6th grades. Another goal is the weatherization of homes in the community. We will have a bake sale at Village Market on Saturday, January 13, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in conjunction with a car wash at Ron's Motors (car wash depends on weather). The funds raised will be used for the weatherization of homes of Cross Plains Senior Citizens. While we are trying to reach our goals, we will be making a scrapbook which we will enter in the state and

Lady Buffs Begin District Action With Win

District 29-A basketball plays has begun, and on January 5, the Cross Plains Varsity Lady Buffs took a 64-39 victory over Santa Anna. The Lady Buffs took early control of the game and never looked back. The team evened their season record at 10-10, but more importantly have a 1-0 record starting district competition. Junior Malysa Sowell, led Cross Plains with 24 points and 8 rebounds. Freshman Laura Ricci pumped in 14 points and had 3 blocks. Whitney Kirkham scored 8 points, 4 by Misty Strickland and Jaonna Harris, 5 by Mindy Mitchell, 3 from Shanna Hutton and Jolena Fleming with 2.

Panther Creek played in Cross Plains January 2 and took it to the Lady Buffs 56-36. Cross Plains played a great first half, but went cold shooting in the second half. Sowell and Kirkham led the Cross Plains attack with 14 and 10 points respec-

tively. Jaonna Harris added 6 followed by Ricci with 4 and Strickland with 2.

During the Christmas holidays, the girls took part of the Ranger Tournament. Their first opponent was Class 5-A Fort Worth Dunbar. With about 6 minutes left in the game, Cross Plains got within 2 of the Flying Wildcats, but lost 51-31. Eight points each by Sowell and Kirkham led Cross Plains, followed by 5 each by Strickland and Harris. (This was the first contest for Misty Strickland after a lengthy knee surgery.) Mitchell and Fleming scored 2 each and Shanna Hutton added 1.

Friday, December 29, the Lady Buffs destroyed Fort Worth Diamond Hill by a 63-16 score. All players saw plenty of action for Cross Plains. Sowell turned in a 16 point performance while Kirkham added 11 and

Whitney Giles, 10. Harris put in 8, 6 each by Strickland and Hutton, 4 by Nikki Beggs and Mitchell with 2.

The Saturday game was for consolation, but Cross Plains fell to Huckabay by a 40-36 tally. Sowell again led the Lady Buffs with 15. Others adding to the score column were Mitchell with 9, Harris, 4; Kirkham, 3; 2 each by Hutton and Giles, and 1 from Strickland. (NOTE: Ricci and Fleming missed the tournament).

Malysa Sowell earned her second All-Tournament award this season at Ranger.

The Varsity girls play two tough District 29-A opponents soon. January 12 will have Cross Plains in Gorman, and January 16 will be at Eula. Come out and support these ladies in their exciting brand of basketball!

Lady Buffs J.V. Report

Lots of action has been seen by the Cross Plains Junior Varsity girls these past two weeks.

On December 19, the J.V. girls played the Eula Freshmen. This was a rematch a 20 point loss to the Lady Pirates earlier in the season (33-13). Cross Plains played very well this go around, but fell short 33-28. Ashley Beggs led the J.V. girls with 11 points, followed by Amanda Dillard with 8, Crystal Davis scored 4, and 2 each by Liz McCarty and LeaJean Wyatt.

After the holidays, the Cross Plains J.V. girls took on Panther Creek

winning by an exciting 24-23 count. The Lady Buffs tied the game at 18 after three quarters, then played good defense for the win. Beggs led the attack with 7 points, Dillard scored 5, and 4 points each by Davis, Brandy Hutton and Wyatt.

This past weekend had the team in the DeLeon Tournament. Again the girls played an opponent who handled them early in the year (DeLeon by a 44-28 score). The tournament saw these two teams play again, but DeLeon prevailed by a 25-24 tally. Even though this game, as well as the Eula game, were losses, it

does show the improvement the J.V. girls has made!! Beggs again led the team with 8 points, Dillard tallied 4 points and 8 rebounds, Davis and Kimberly Ratliff had 3 and 2 respectively.

Cross plains played Brownwood next, playing another solid game, but fell short 38-31. Beggs led with 11, Dillard with 8, Davis and Wyatt had 4 each and 2 each by Ratliff and McCarty.

The team will be in Gorman January 12 and Eula January 16 for their next games.

Junior High Boys Host Santa Anna

By LARRY WHITEHEAD

Thursday night Santa Anna came to Cross Plains for a district game that saw our Cross Plains boys come away with 7th and 8th grade victory's.

The 7th grade won their game 46-32. Our scorers were Ryan Aitchison, 20 points; Cody Reed, 10 points; Scott Mackey, 8 points; Landon Hill, 2 points Nate Hawkins, 6 points.

The 8th grade won their game 45-

7th Grade Tourney Saturday, Jan. 13

21. Our scorers were Jody Pancake, 18 points; Clint Bailey, 8 points; Jaden Winfrey, 5 points; Coby Richards, 4 points; Kenneth Ratliff, 4 points; Justin Bright, 2 points; Robert Walters, 2 points and Seth Morgan, 2 points.

Our next games will be a 7th grade tournament Saturday, January 13 in Cross Plains. The 15th we will have a game in Rising Star.

See you at the games!!

There will be a 7th grade boys and girls tournament at Cross Plains this Saturday, January 13. This is a one day tournament with games starting at 9:00 a.m. and ending with the last game at 5:45 p.m. So if you want to stop by the gym and watch these young people play, come on by. There will be a lot of excited kids playing their hardest and trying to win.

SCHOOL LUNCH MENU

JANUARY 15 - JANUARY 19 (Subject to Change)

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WEDNESDAY — Sausage, egg, biscuit, jelly, grape juice and milk.

THURSDAY — Choice of dry cereal, orange juice and milk.

FRIDAY — Oatmeal, toast, apple juice and milk.

LUNCH

MONDAY — Burrito w/chili & cheese, spinach, crackers, pear halves and milk.

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WEDNESDAY — Vegetable beef soup, grilled cheese sandwich, crackers, pineapple slices and milk.

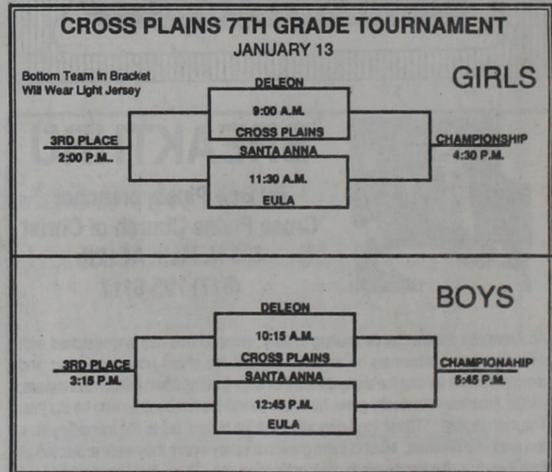
THURSDAY — Ham slices, scalloped potatoes, carrot slices, rolls, fruit cobbler and milk.

FRIDAY — Hamburger, lettuce, tomato, pickles, fries, Rice Krispie Bar and milk.

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Garden Tip Of The Month

By ROLAN JONES

We have now had a hard freeze and most plants are dormant and ready for pruning. All ornamental and fruit trees and vines should be pruned in January and February, before the sap rises in early March. Remember that most flowering shrubs produce flowers on last year's wood, so you need to know how to prune each species of plant to get maximum flowering.

Winter is the time to apply compost and mulch around grape vines, blackberries, fruit trees, ornamentals, and perennial vegetables and herbs.

For increased flowering and fruit production, work phosphate into soil around plants and trees. Steamed bone meal is an excellent source or organic phosphate and is available at Cross Plains Grain and Peanut Company or Lawrence Farm and Ranch Supply, Inc.

The seed catalogues are arriving in the mail now and this is a great time to start planning the spring garden. This year, try something you have never grown before...go exotic. There are many new nutritious and unusual vegetable varieties available which are as easy to grow as the conventional radishes, beans, squash, corn, okra, etc.

A good example is the Diakon radish. It is white, grows up to 24 inches long, does not get hot or pithy, and can be up to 4 inches in diameter.

Believe it or not, January and February are the best time to plant English peas, Irish potatoes, and onions to get the best yields in the spring. Seed potatoes and onion plants are difficult to find, so if you did not plant onion seed in October for plants, you might find someone going to South Texas and get them to pick you up some bunches of onions.

Seed potatoes are also difficult to find and most grocery store potatoes are treated with a chemical which retards sprouting. Seed potatoes planted this time of the year need to be planted 8 to 10 inches deep to prevent freezing. They will develop a tremendous root system before they emerge in the spring. If they come up

before the last frost, they will freeze back to the ground, but will continue to grow when the weather warms. Apply your wood stove and fireplace ashes to the potato beds for potash and insect control.

Another new vegetable variety available from some seed companies this year is purple carrots. They have many times more Vitamin A than the orange varieties.

January and February is the time to start your early cool weather vegetables inside in flats, styrofoam cups, or other containers. Broccoli, cauliflower, brussel sprouts, cabbage, lettuce, etc. should be planted now and be ready to transplant into the garden in late February or early March.

You need good sunlight or growlights to prevent spindly seedlings when starting plants indoors.

The temperature in the lower teens should have eliminated many grasshoppers, squash bugs, and Harlequin bugs. The insect numbers should be less this year and enable more productive gardening this spring.

When there is snow on the ground and you are sitting by the wood stove sipping cider, reading seed catalogues and dreaming of next summer's bounty, remember that your birds need to be fed also. Sunflower seed, millet, milo, cracked corn, wheat, raw peanuts, safflower seed, suet and thistle seed will draw most species of wild birds to your feeders for your enjoyment. All are available at local feed stores, except safflower and thistle which are available at Lowes and Wal-Mart. Stick-on window feeders are available at many stores and will attract songbirds almost into your living room.

Continue adding to your compost pile and make a New Year's resolution to go organic in 1996 and use NO toxic chemicals in your garden, flower beds, lawn, or orchards.

TIP: Listen to Dr. Dirt - Organic Gardening at 8:20 a.m. Saturday and Sunday mornings.

Clips, Quips & Comments

By KAY DENNIS MOSLEY

The Interrogation of Rolan Jones, J. of P.

Question: Why'd you do it??

Answer: I confess _____

AN INTERVIEW WITH ROLAN JONES

Q. How long have you been interested in gardening?

A. Almost all my life. As a small boy my grandmother Esther Parrish always had a large garden. As she planted the garden seed in each furrow, she'd drop a seed and say: ---"One for the birds,"

drop another and say ---"one for the bugs"

drop another "and one for me!"

They were related to the Nordykes.

Rolan: My grandparents lived at Nubbin Ridge. The only method they had available to water the garden was the windmill and the water tower. They had to carry the water by the bucket full to water the garden plants. Yet they always had a beautiful garden. I remember they raised beans in their vegetable garden among other things and always had a flower garden.

When I lived in Baytown stated Rolan I dug up half the back yard for a garden. I dug up all that St. Augustine grass and raised okra plants 10 to 12 feet tall.

Q. What are some of the things you grow in your garden here?

A. I have 5 different types of gardens here. An early garden in which I grow corn, black-eyed peas, radishes, etc. These are vegetables which need to be planted and harvested in the early spring.

Another type garden I have is a hot weather garden in which I raise tomatoes of various kinds and a variety of peppers. In the fall I plant winter squash, cabbage, spinach and other types of greens.

Also I maintain a perennial garden. These are plants which (once planted) continue to come up every year without being replanted. For instance Jerusalem artichokes, and horseradish. Also asparagus, seven types of garlic and 3 types of multiplying onions.

An exotic garden containing some unusual items is also cultivated. One unusual item in that garden is the Chinese yam. Very small potatoes grow on the vine of the Chinese yam. However, the product from this yam which you eat is the root. It is about 3 feet long and weighs around 50 pounds. That root product is your edible Chinese yam. This plant Rolan got down on the coast.

One most interesting plant is the Fava bean, a giant vetch. The Fava bean gets too hot in the late spring and will die from the heat. It should be planted in the Fall. The beans are 18 inches long and 4 inches wide. People of Mediterranean origin are allergic to the Fava bean.

Q. What other things led to your interest in gardening?

A. I taught Biology in the Cross Plains school system for 5 years. This led some what to my interest in growing garden plants, herbs and trees for medicinal value. I figure when I retire and am in my autumn years, I can go and pick what I need from my own crop for medicines.

Some other items Rolan raises in his garden are various species of broccoli and many varieties of squash, acorn squash, the little round white patty squash, winter squash and many others. Another item of interest is the Armenian cucumber, much longer and smoother than the regular cucumbers we are accustomed to.

One method of eradicating or eliminating the squash bug Rolan said is to pour kerosene alongside the rows and light it. Then as it burns you can hear the squash bugs going pop, pop, pop.

Rolan also grows several tropical fruits including the pineapple guava, it should be planted on the southern exposure and if covered with a blanket, can survive 15 degree winters. It has purple blooms. He also has a banana plant which he planted in 1981. He has not as yet gotten any bananas from it as it requires a 13 month growing season. He has a pomegranate bush which takes 3 years to produce its first fruit. The pomegranate when opened is completely full of little seed. Each seed is surrounded by an orangey pink flesh which can be eaten as is or you can make jelly from them. He also raises grapes, muscadine and a type of red grape. Grapes can be grown on trellises or in a grape arbor. The arbor holds the moisture in the soil longer. He also raises fig trees in about 6 different varieties. The figs are said to be of medicinal value, they are said to calm or soothe you.

Several flowers and landscape trees are said to be calming and good for the nerves. Cedar berries can be made into a liquor and be of medicinal value. The apricots he raises are also supposed to have medicinal value, they are said to calm or soothe you. Gypsum weed which can be poisonous was used by older folks until the early 1900's for lung diseases. After that you could get medicines as needed from the drugstore. The purple cone flower is said to be healing. One of the oldest remedies used by the Indians was to chew the bark of the willow tree for fever or pain.

Rolan's wife Sandra is employed by Citizens State Bank and is very adept at cooking up these garden delights. In addition to his gardening, Rolan is the local Justice of the Peace, and is in the Real Estate Business in addition to a few other interests. Did you manage to catch sight of him as Judge Roy Bean in the recent "Christmas Village" festivities. A most interesting and knowledgeable Garden Club Member to interview. My other half, Marvin and I thoroughly enjoyed our enthusiastic, humorous, friendly visit with Rolan and learned lots of new gardening tips and topics.

Looking forward to visiting with you next column.

Beta Sigma Phi Photogenic Contest Feb. 17

Eligibility for this competition will be open to Boys and Girls from Birth through 12th grade who reside within the Cross Plains School District.

Any size photo up to 8 x 10 unframed, may be submitted. No cheesecake or swim wear photos. An entry fee of \$5.00 per photo will be required. You may enter as many photos as you wish each accompanied with the corresponding fees. The photogenic contest will be broken down into 12 age divisions. There will also be an overall winner. The winners will be announced and presented a trophy at the Valentine Parade, February 17. Photos are judged on composition and photogenic qualities.

***Photos may be picked up following the Valentine Parade. Winning photos will be put in the paper and returned later. PHOTOS AND FEES ALONG WITH THE FORM MUST BE IN NO LATER THAN MONDAY, FEBRUARY 12. NORA ODOM WILL COLLECT THEM AT THE CROSS PLAINS SCHOOL. Be sure to put names and grades on back of photos.

Questions? Contact, Nora Odom 725-6840, Judy Luter 725-7222, or Jamie Apple 725-6296.



ROLAN JONES ON GARDEN ING

YOUNG TEXAS WRITERS AWARDS PROGRAM ENTRY DEADLINE JANUARY 31

Student enrolled in grades 9-12 can still submit entries to the Young Texas Writers Awards Program. Deadline for submissions has been extended to January 31.

Twelve scholarships, ranging from \$50 to \$150, will be presented for best work in four categories: poetry, short story, essay and journalism. Single or multiple entries will be accepted in all categories for a one-time entry fee of

\$5. The program is sponsored by the Austin Writers' League with some funding provided by the Texas Commission on the Arts and Holt, Rinehart and Winston. Awards will be presented in March at a reception in Austin. For guidelines, call the Austin Writers' League, (512) 499-8914.



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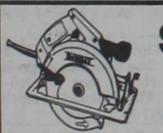
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