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"The Surprise Wedding"

By VANDA ANDERSON  
CREECH  
Editor

Most of you know by now that I married Richard Creech on November 29, 1997, but I wanted to share with you our surprise wedding.

We had decided to have just a simple ceremony with our families and a few friends--no decorations, no music, no flowers, etc. The idea was to be married in the First United Methodist Church with Dr. Richard Chaffin officiating, due to the fact that we had gone to premarital counseling with Dr. Chaffin.

What we didn't know was my friends had other plans. When I arrived at the church it had been beautifully decorated by Tim Dillard for the Christmas season like he does every year. The auditorium featured greenery and red bows, plus a gigantic Christmas tree trimmed in red and gold with hundreds of lights. Connie Kirkham, Yvonne Key and Karmen Ellis had added all the wedding touches. The prayer altar was draped with white tulle and white bows, which appeared familiar--the ones used at my daughter Leah's wedding. The top of the altar was garnished with white votive candles and white Christmas lights. Big white bows were placed on the pew ends.

Yvonne had prepared a registration table with all the trimmings and provided a guest book. She even had music playing prior to the ceremony.

Jean Vaughn had Tim to make me a beautiful bridal bouquet with red roses and a matching boutonniere for Richard. Her daughter, Lawri Hoffman, even brought me a lovely white garter trimmed in blue. Actually I had two, as Yvonne and Karmen brought one also.

With all the hoopla, we went the whole 9 yards--Yvonne served as the matron of honor, because she was the one who introduced Richard and me, and Chris, Leah's husband, and me, and Chris, Leah's husband, was the best man. My daughters, Blandye and Leah, and Richard's daughter, Ann, were attendants. My son, Kye, walked me down the aisle.

Even my little granddaughter, Tatym, got into the act. She started out in her mother's arms and then announced, "I need to see my Mimmy!" Reluctantly, Blandye let her down and she came to stand by me, holding my skirt. Then she began the trips around the altar. She would get Dr. Chaffin by the pants leg, step up, walk around the end of the altar and come back beside me. Sometimes she stopped to look at the candles, which was unnerving to those watching, but thank goodness I couldn't see her. She never said another word, but her four or five little trips were entertaining on the video. This video might win a prize on "Funniest Home Videos." Guess we should send it in!

Connie brought the video camera and taped the ceremony which was unique in its self. Dr. Chaffin's words were so touching and personalized.

I was so surprised by the loving gestures of wonderful friends. Richard knew nothing about the new game plan and when everything was over he said, "Vanda, what happened to the small ceremony?" I told him there were some major changes. Thanks to my precious friends.

Richard's mother, Verne'l Millican, and my mother, Wanda Anderson, treated everyone to lunch at Jean's



## Dean Dillard Raised \$530,000 Grand Steer at Houston

Showing a steer to Grand Champion of the Houston Livestock show is the thrill of a lifetime to many, but to a steer dealer, selling that particular animal to the winner is just as exciting as showing it - which almost happened - because Dean had decided to keep this steer for his son Rowdy to show. But, as it was - he was offered a nice price for the steer and sold it. The buyers named the steer "Rowdy" after Dean's son.

Carrie Adams of Willis, Texas, showed her steer named "Rowdy" to the top spot at the 1998 Houston Livestock Show on March 7. The calf sold for a record setting price of

\$530,000.

Carrie's step-father, Billy Rash, purchased the Chianina-Maine cross steer from Dean Dillard of Dillard Cattle Company in Cross Plains last June. Dean has been involved in the club calf industry for many years and his reputation for knowing and selling quality show cattle is recognized throughout the country.

"I've sold past Grand Champions at El Paso, Ft. Worth, and San Antonio on two occasions, but having the Houston Grand Champion come out of my pen is just like winning it myself," Dean said.

The champion Shorthorn at Houston and champion Red Angus and Reserve Maine at San Antonio were also purchased from Dean this year.

Dean's dad, the late Bill Dillard, bred the winning steer out of his bull, "Sidewinder" and one of his favorite cows. Bill always hoped for one of his steers to win Houston - well his wish came true. But, unfortunately he passed away in June of '97 - the month the steer was sold. This one's for you Daddy!

## Higginbotham Funeral Home Special Open House Sunday

The staff and management of Higginbotham Funeral Home invites the public to attend a Special Open House Sunday, March 22 from 1 to 3 p.m.

The funeral home, which initially opened in Cross Plains during the late 60's, has recently completed the refurbishing of their facility. Everyone is encouraged to take a tour of the building and enjoy refreshments.

## Help For Entrepreneurs Available Through EDC

Help for Cross Plains entrepreneurs will be made available through the Cross Plains Economic Development Corporation, Inc. Retired businessmen will volunteer to assist persons who need help with plans to develop local businesses.

The first volunteer is Dr. Charles Rodenberger, a retired professor of engineering at Texas A&M University, who has experience in creating, financing and operating a small manufacturing firm based on his patents. Rodenberger has also taught business courses in management, finance, and marketing at Hardin Simmons University.

Contact Denise Coulter at the Economic Development Corporation, Inc. office located at 416 S. Main (in the Subway building) or call 254-725-6397 to schedule a conference.

Feed Barn following the ceremony. Have you ever heard of anyone having such a wedding? Now, this is definitely the way to go--if your heart can take the shock. Thanks girls for everything!

## Howard House To Be Open On Regular Basis

Project Pride recently announced that the Howard House on West Highway 36 will now be open every week on Friday afternoons from 2 to 5 p.m.

Billie Ruth Loving, hostess, will be at the house during these hours and invites you to come by for a tour or just to visit and have cup of coffee.

Private tours will continue to be available by appointment.

## Robert E. Howard Pictorial Cancellation Contest

Local persons with artistic abilities are invited to participate in a contest being sponsored by Project Pride. The Project Organization is seeking a drawing suitable for the 1998 Robert E. Howard Day Postal Cancellation. Detailed information and specifications are available at the Cross Plains Post Office.

Deadline for submitting entries is March 27, 1998. These should be submitted to the Postmaster at the Cross Plains Post Office. A selection will be made by a panel of judges and a prize awarded.

## Early Voting For Run Off Election Will Be April 6-9

Early voting for the Tuesday, April 14, runoff election for county judge between Roger Corn and Winford Hogan will be held April 6-9, according to officials in the Callahan County Clerk's office.

Early voting will be held during regular business hours April 6-9 at the Justice of the Peace offices in Clyde and Cross Plains and the County Clerk's office in Baird. Early voting will not take place Friday, April 10 due to the Good Friday holiday.

Registered voters wishing to vote by mail can now request ballots be mailed to them by contacting the County Clerk's office.

The Tuesday, April 14, runoff election will be held from 7:00 a.m. until 7:00 p.m. at four locations in the county.

Voter Precincts #1 (Clyde) and #6 (Clyde) will be voting at the Clyde Lions Club building.

Voter Precincts #2 (Eula) and #7 (Oplin) will vote at the Eula Lions Club building.

Voter Precincts #3 (Baird) and #5 (Putnam) will cast votes at the Baird Housing Authority building.

Voter Precinct #4 (Cross Plains) will vote at the Cross Plains Community Center.

## WTU To Sponsor Planning Session For the City of Cross Plains

West Texas Utilities Company (WTU) will sponsor a two-part strategic planning session for the City of Cross Plains on Monday, March 23 and Tuesday, March 24. Interested citizens are invited to attend and share ideas to build a comprehensive economic development action plan for the community.

The purposes of the strategic planning sessions are to identify the strengths and weaknesses of the community, develop realistic target markets, the vision statement and practical goals. Participants will formulate a plan to improve the business climate, enhance economic development and provide a better

quality of life for everyone.

"We want to encourage as many people as possible to take part in planning for the future growth and success of the City of Cross Plains," said Robert Noriega, WTU area business manager.

The sessions will be held Monday, March 23 from 5:30 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. and Tuesday, March 24 from 5:30 to 9:00 p.m. in the Cross Plains Community Center. A light meal will be served beginning at 5:30 p.m. each evening for your convenience. For additional information, call Denise Coulter with the Cross Plains Economic Development Corporation at 254-725-6397.

## Cross Plains Trades Day Saturday, March 28

The Cross Plains Garden Club is sponsoring a Trades Day in Cross Plains, just north of the Dairy Queen, Saturday, March 28 from 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Exhibitors may place items in their spaces to sell or display. The spaces are 12' X 12' and each exhibitor must furnish all tables, equipment, etc. for their individual booth.

Spaces are available for \$15 each with electricity \$5 extra. Please call (254) 643-2404 or (254) 725-7712 to

reserve spaces. All individuals, clubs and school organizations are welcome to participate.

The Cross Plains Garden Club members are hoping this trades day will become an annual event. There are some very talented people in this area and this will give them the opportunity to display their wares.

The club encourages everyone to take part in the community Trades Day. Shoppers are sure to find new and unusual items.

## City/School Board Candidate Update

As of Tuesday, March 17, three incumbents have filed for mayor and city council seats. Ray Purvis has filed for mayor and Jerry Casle and Ray Womack have filed for council seats.

Ronnie Pancake has filed for a position on the Board of Trustees. Terms expire for Randy Foster, Barbara Sowell, and Rickey Carey

## Rural Resource Team Report Available

The report prepared by the Texas Rural Economic Development Council Rural Resource Team has been received by the Cross Plains Economic Development Corporation. Copies of the report are available at no charge to all community members that participated in the assessment or to any interested party. You are encouraged to pick up your copy of the report at the Economic Development office inside the Subway building. Please read the report and plan to attend the Strategic Planning Session that will be conducted by WTU the evenings of March 23-24 at the Community Center. For more information contact Denise Coulter at 725-6397.

## COLONIAL OAKS SERVICES

Believer's Fellowship will conduct worship services at Colonial Oaks Nursing Home on Sunday, March 22, commencing at 3:30 p.m.

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## Callahan County Democratic Party Primary Totals

	Prec. #1	Prec. #2	Prec. #3	Prec. #4	Prec. #5	Prec. #6	Prec. #7	Early	Total/%
<b>Proposition #1</b>									
For	217	140	414	146	45	90	50	416	1518/98%
Against	1	6	2	3	5	0	3	11	31/2%
<b>Proposition #2</b>									
For	205	124	384	132	48	80	49	368	1380/90%
Against	14	21	32	14	12	8	3	55	159/10%
<b>Proposition #3</b>									
For	177	120	370	116	38	80	45	366	1312/87%
Against	37	22	38	29	11	6	8	39	196/13%

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## COURTHOUSE NEWS

**COUNTY COURT**  
Bill Johnson presiding

**42ND DISTRICT COURT**  
John Weeks, presiding

**Misdemeanor Filings**

Juan Pedro Garcia, Jr., DWI.  
Joseph Lee Williams, assault; 2 counts.  
Charged with theft of property by check: Trish D. McWilliams, Lullen Johnson.

**Civil Filings**

Divorces filed:  
Elliott, Melinda E. & Mackey Earwin.  
Cokonougher, Amanda Janine & Brian Joe, and in the interest of minor children.

**MARRIAGE LICENSE**

Paula Jill Tutt & Jose Guadalupe Hernandez of Clyde.  
Mary Augustine Rivera & Ronnie Jay Holden of Baird.  
Christi Rene Welch & Kim Adams Lenoir of Midland.  
Rhonda Pauliene Magnuson, Abilene, Ronald Wayne Schofield, Angleton.  
JoAnn Fischer & Daniel James Schibi of Palisade, Colorado.

**Civil Minutes**

Robert B. Tollett, found to be \$1800 in arrears on child support; confined to jail until paid.  
S. Jeffery Jackson, James McFarlane Jackson, Leland Jackson, Janice Jackson Ray vs Dan Quinn, Scott Quinn, Michael Willis, case dismissed.

**Felony Minutes**

Kim Robert Daniels, unauthorized use of a vehicle, case dismissed due to being convicted in another case.

## CALLAHAN COUNTY DISPATCH REPORT

By **BILLY HARRIS**  
Special Writer

### FOR MONTH OF FEBRUARY

February calls down almost 70 from January's Total

Traffic Accidents	15
Fires	25
Burglar Alarms	8
Stray Animals	11
Criminal Mischief and Vandalism	5
Suspicious Activity	11
Dog Bites	0
Assaults	3
Ambulance Requests	78
Family Disturbances	14
Keys Locked in Vehicles	3
Stolen Vehicles	0
Burglaries	3
Thefts	8
Misc.	142
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>319</b>

Total calls made in December by each Department dispatched by Callahan County Dispatch.

Callahan County Sheriff's Dept.	97
Sheriff's Dept. assisted other Dept.	18
DPS	24
Clyde PD	77
Baird City Marshal	36
Cross Plains PD	6
Citizens EMS	63
Cross Plains EMS	14
Rural Metro Ambulance	1
Clyde FD	7
Baird FD	7
Eula FD	3
Cross Plains FD	8
Hamby FD	0
Oplin FD	0
Cottonwood FD	1
Putnam FD	2

### Glorify Baptist Ministering Out-of-town

Glorify Baptist Church will be holding services for the Texas Youth Commission on March 22 and 29 at the San Saba State School facility. Three hundred and forty boys will be ministered to in four separate services. Please note that no services will be held at the home church located at 100 S. Ave. D on these two dates.

### Callahan County Democratic Party Primary Results Tuesday, March 10

<b>Attorney General</b>	
Gene Kelly	205
Jim Mattox	1081
Moris Overstreet	229
<b>Ag. Commissioner</b>	
Ernesto DeLeon	192
L.P. Patterson	1136
<b>Railroad Commissioner</b>	
Gary Dugger	461
Joe B. Henderson	826

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## OBITUARY

### Claude Beeler

Claude Beeler, 87, honored at the 1997 Homecoming as the oldest surviving Buffalo, passed away Tuesday, March 10, 1998, at Columbia Brownwood Regional Medical Center.

Graveside services were held at 2:00 p.m. Wednesday, March 11, 1998, at Cross Plains Cemetery with Bob Pipes officiating under the direction of Higginbotham Funeral Home of Cross Plains.

Survivors include five sons, Claude Beeler of Ft. Stockton, Kenneth Beeler of Idland, Dennis Beeler of Conersville, Tennessee, Donald Beeler of Clyde, and Jack Dunn of Waco; six grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

### Irma Miller Receives Certificate

Irma Miller, of Pioneer, Wednesday received her Texas First Families commemorative certificate by the Texas Genealogical Society on her ancestors, James Carrel Bell and wife Eliza Baker Bell, James' mother Lucretia Walker Bell Brooks and Lucretia's father James Walker, Sr., who resided in Texas or served the Republic of Texas before February 19, 1846, when The Republic of Texas officially became The State of Texas. James Walker, Sr. was among Stephen F. Austin's original "Three Hundred" settlers.

The Texas State Genealogical Society, in a letter dated March 6, has stated the certificate program is now an open program and will remain open for years to come; however, if one wants his or her lineage in the proposed book, the application should be completed this year. "The project has been a great success," states Mr. Wanda L. Donaldson, president of the society.

### Draw Nigh To God Friday

The Draw Nigh To God Fellowship will be held Friday, March 20, at Maranatha Church in Brownwood beginning at 7:30 p.m. Sonny McGinn, pastor of the church, invites everyone to come and enjoy praising the Lord in word and song.

### Callahan County Republican Party Primary Results Tuesday, March 10

<b>Attorney General</b>	
John Cornyn	11
Tom Pauken	15
Barry Williamson	20
<b>Ag. Commissioner</b>	
Susan Combs	36
Hamp Hodges	12
<b>Land Commissioner</b>	
David Dewhurst	23
Don Loucks	7
Jerry Patterson	15
<b>Railroad Commissioner</b>	
Tony Garza	29
Steve Stockman	19
<b>11th Court of Appeals</b>	
Kollin Shadle	8
Terry McCall	28
Robert Pelton	9

## April 28 deadline for bidding on forfeited state land

AUSTIN—A catalogue listing 198 tracts of forfeited state land reserved exclusively for bids from Texas veterans is now available from the Texas Veterans Land Board (VLB). Bids will be opened on April 28, 1998, at 1 p.m.

"There's always a great demand for these tracts because veterans realize our forfeiture rules enable them to buy land with no down payment," said Texas Land Commissioner Garry Mauro who is chairman of the VLB. "They understand that whether it's for recreation or as an investment these tracts are a very good value."

The catalogue, which contains bidding instructions and a detailed description of each tract, can be ordered by calling 1-800-252-VETS.

Located in 90 Texas counties, the tracts range in size from five to 200 acres. The tracts, known as Type I tracts, can be purchased with no down payment. Bids are restricted to eligible Texas veterans.

The VLB will finance the entire loan amount of all winning bids. There is no limit on the amount loaned or on the number of tracts that an individual can bid on. However,

eligible Texas veterans are limited to one purchase in the sale.

"Since these tracts have never been offered for sale by the VLB, this sale gives Texas vets an excellent opportunity to buy good land with 100 percent financing," Mauro said.

Mauro noted that setting aside new forfeitures exclusively for bids from Texas veterans is a long-time VLB policy.

"The Veterans Land Program is part of a Texas tradition that goes back to the days of the Republic of Texas," Mauro said. "It's my belief that Texas veterans should get first shot at any forfeited tracts."

Tracts not sold in the April sale will be offered to both veterans and non-veterans through local real estate agents.

Texas veterans will receive a 7.64 percent interest rate with a 30-year assumable fixed-rate loan. A \$25 non-refundable fee for each bid is required.

The sale will be by sealed bid only, with a minimum bid set by the board. All bids must be received by April 28 at 1 p.m. Details of the sale can be obtained by calling 1-800-252-VETS.

### LAND TRACTS BY COUNTY

COUNTY	# OF TRACTS	COUNTY	# OF TRACTS
ANDERSON	1	HUNT	8
ATASGOSA	2	JEFFERSON	1
BASTROP	4	KARNES	1
BELL	1	KAUFMAN	1
BEXAR	1	KERR	3
BOSQUE	2	LAMAR	2
BOWIE	3	LAMPASAS	3
CALDWELL	1	LAVACA	2
CALHOUN	1	LEON	3
CAMERON	1	LIBERTY	1
CASS	5	LIMESTONE	2
CHAMBERS	1	LUBBOCK	3
CHEROKEE	2	MADISON	1
CLAY	2	MATAGORDA	1
COLLIN	4	McCULLOCH	1
COLORADO	2	MEDINA	1
COMAL	1	MILAM	1
CORYELL	1	MONTGOMERY	2
CROSBY	1	MORRIS	1
DALLAS	1	NAVARRO	5
DELTA	2	PARKER	2
DEWITT	1	PARMER	2
DICKENS	1	POLK	4
DIMMIT	2	ROBERTSON	1
ERATH	5	SAN AUGUSTINE	1
FANNIN	5	SAN JACINTO	2
FAYETTE	4	SAN PATRICIO	1
FORT BEND	1	SAN SABA	1
FREESTONE	3	SHELBY	1
GALVESTON	1	SMITH	2
GONZALES	6	SWISHER	1
GRAYSON	2	TERRELL	3
GRIMES	6	TITUS	1
GUADALUPE	1	TRINITY	1
HARRIS	1	VAL VERDE	1
HAYS	5	VAN ZANDT	2
HENDERSON	1	VICTORIA	1
HILL	4	WALKER	4
HOCKLEY	2	WASHINGTON	1
HOOD	2	WHARTON	1
HOPKINS	5	WILSON	5
HOUSTON	3	WISE	5
HUDSPETH	1	WOOD	2

County Maps showing location of properties are available. Call toll free: 1-800-252-VETS

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## Brandon Hill deputy sheriff for CP

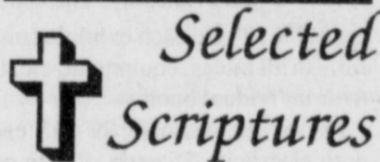
By **BILLY HARRIS**  
Special Writer

Brandon Neal, 23, is the new Callahan County Deputy Sheriff for Cross Plains.

Brandon had previously been the county's relief deputy, filling in for deputies on days off or for vacationing personnel, until he was assigned the Cross Plains area after the resignation of Tim Sanders, who accepted the position as Cross Plains' Chief of Police.

A Basic Certified Texas Peace Officer, Brandon has been with the Callahan County Sheriff's Office for about seven months. He worked for the McCulloch County Sheriff as a jailer for about a year and a half before coming to our area.

Brandon resides in Cross Plains.



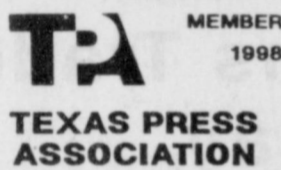
Princes also sit and speak against me, but Your servant meditates on Your statutes.  
Psalm 119:23  
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### FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

10TH & MAIN CROSS PLAINS (254) 725-7629  
Sunday School ..... 9:45 a.m.  
Morning Worship ..... 11:00 a.m.  
Evening Worship ..... 6:00 p.m.  
Wed. Prayer Service ..... 7:00 p.m.

Jason Kempf - Youth & Music Minister

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Evening Service ..... 6:00 p.m.  
Wednesday Bible Study & Prayer Time ..... 7:00 p.m.

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## Support The Future Growth and Success of Our City

Attend a two-part Strategic Planning Session for the City of Cross Plains

Monday, March 23 & Tuesday, March 24  
5:30 p.m. until 9:00 p.m.  
Community Center

Light meal will be served.

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# NEWS

By  
**LINDA MERRITT**  
Activity Director

The residents enjoyed some fine music and singing at the 206 Mission group provided for us at the residents birthday party.

Thoughts and prayers for Ritta Knight and Verner Rose who are in the hospital.

Get well wishes go out to Ruby Casse on a fast recovery.

Vera Belyeu was our winner for a free meal at Jack's Place. Thanks Wanda and Jack.

Appreciation to Frances Wolf for the donuts.

C.L. Coppinger from Odessa and Lurene McNutt visited with Louise Richardson.

Frankie Smith and Laquetta Rankin from Pioneer visited with Falba Shofner.

Leo and Jewel Thompson visited Sylvia Smith.

Frances and Don Thornton visited with Myrtle Wilson and Juanita Thornton.

Ryan Gordon from Abilene, Linda

and Richard Wilson and Bobby Jack McCowen visited with Blanche Brooks.

Amanda Kitchens, Shelby Champion and Kyle Kitchens were here visiting everyone.

Activities during the week were:  
**Monday:** Bingo winners were Ruby Harrell (3), Louise Richardson (2), Dorothy Thomas, Minnie Swann, Falba Shofner and Vera Belyeu. Exercise class.

**Tuesday:** Movie time. Popcorn social. Skip-Bo games.

**Wednesday:** Art class. Exercise class.

**Thursday:** Bingo winners were Sylvia Smith, Vera Belyeu, Falba Shofner, Ruby Harrell (2), Inola Wilcoxen and Minnie Swann. Skip-Bo games.

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

**Sunday:** Believer's Fellowship.

**To teach is to touch a life forever.**

## Clips, Quips & Comments

By KAY DENNIS MOSLEY

"It Would Be Great, Keely!"

Our children are our future. Many of these same children have and express very high ideals, bright ideas, and even higher hopes for a better world, a safer and healthier environment and world peace.

Time and again it seems as though we only hear about the troubled youth or perhaps it should be phrased those who cause or find trouble. News reports sometimes seem to focus on those few individuals who are embroiled in crime sprees, scams, drugs and all manner of troubling misdeeds.

Perhaps we should give more media coverage to those youth who wish for and strive to make this world a better place; for the present as well as for the future. That said I would like now to introduce to you Keely Ann Castor, a sixth grade student in the Lubbock school system.

My son Rex works with her grandfather, Kiefa Kizer, in a Lubbock appliance parts store. Rex thought Keely's poem showed merit and mailed me a copy. I would like to share it with you.

Keely Ann won second place in Lubbock schools poetry contest with the following poem:

"Wouldn't It Be Great If....."  
Wouldn't it be great if children didn't suffer,  
if innocent people didn't die.

Wouldn't it be great if every child got an education.

and no child would cry.

Wouldn't it be great if there was a cure to cancer and aids.

Wouldn't it be great if there was an answer,  
to all of lifes charades.

Wouldn't it be great if money left everyone's mind.

Wouldn't it be great if people just did it to be kind.

Wouldn't it be great if nobody was poor, if every needy person had more.

Wouldn't it be great if there was world peace.

Wouldn't it be great if pain and suffering would cease.

Wouldn't it be great if the world was a perfect place,  
if every child always had a smiling face.

author - Keely Ann Castor

In my opinion, Keely's poem showed a lot of forethought, pathos, empathy, and high aspirations for solving at least SOME of the worlds ills.

I also would like to commend her sense of rhyme, use of meter, verse, and talent in getting her subject and message across; congratulations, Keely, good work.

"C" "U" next column.

## PIONEER NEWS

By PIONEER QUILTING CLUB

Oliver, Frankie and Jean traveled to Ranger Saturday to visit. They visited with Frankie's aunt, Ruby Ainsworth. She treated them to a fresh applesauce cake.

Friday night the three went to the Putnam Musical, then Saturday night they went to the Sipe Springs Musical. They enjoyed each very much.

Oliver and Frankie visited Ed and Sally McAnally Monday afternoon. Recent visitors in the home of Lottie Sooter were Wiley and Lauretta Baker from Piney Flatts, Tennessee.

The beautiful peach, pear, and plum blossoms really got zapped

this week. Winter finally got around to giving us some freezing weather. Maybe everything wasn't killed. This will make us glad to see spring.

The Quilting Club put in another pretty quilt top. It is Laverne's "String in Squares." The club also enjoyed our monthly eat out at Jack's Place. We do appreciate how nice Jack and Wanda are to us.

This Thursday will be the "domino" get together at Pioneer. Come on out and join the game playing, snacking and visiting.

**Words of Wisdom #24:** He is a wise man who does not grieve for the things which he has not, but rejoices for those which he has. Epictetus



**KIWANIS GUEST SPEAKER**—The Kiwanis Club enjoyed an update on the Cross Plains Public Library and its available services from Cheri Shults, the local librarian. Roy Stambaugh was program chairman for this informative meeting.

## Callahan Co. Lawn & Garden Clinic Thurs., April 30

A clinic designed for homeowners or anyone interested in the subject of Lawn and Garden Management is planned for Thursday, April 30, at the Clyde Lions Club Building located at 317 South 1st in Clyde. The clinic will start at 6:00 p.m. and cost of the clinic will be \$2.00

Guest speaker, Dr. Nancy Roe, Extension Horticulturist from Stephenville, will discuss Earth Kind Gardening topics including soil preparation, compost use, variety selection, irrigation, mulches

and she will also discuss conventional gardening strategies and organic alternatives. Chris Sansome, Extension Entomologist, will be on hand to discuss vegetables insects and fire ant management for homeowners.

The Lawn and Garden Club is a presentation of the Callahan County Ag and Natural Resources Committee. For more information contact the Callahan County Extension Office at (915) 854-1518.

## Columbia Hospice Offering Training Program for Volunteers and Staff

Columbia Hospice will be hosting training programs for volunteers and staff on Thursday, April 2, 9, 16 and 23 and Tuesday, April 21 at the Cross Plains Senior Citizens Center, 858 Main Street, from 5:30 to 9:00 p.m.

The Hospice training program brings together experts from all field to give a complete picture of Hospice care. Among these experts will be: Guillermo Minnhaar, M.D., Hospice Medical Director; Melinda Fraley, R.N., Director of Columbia Homecare and Hospice; Barbara Spinks, R.N., Assistant Director of Columbia Hospice; Bob Harrell, Higginbotham Funeral Home Director; Rebecca Green, Social Worker Volunteer; Dr. Norb Peil, D. Min Hospice Chaplain; Jenny Peresta, LMSW, Columbia Homecare, Hospice; Kyla Berry, RNC, CBRMS-Women's Services; Sandy Porter, RN, CBRMS-Infection Control; and Lesa Jobe, Bessie Reynolds and

Glenda Morgan Tucker - volunteers. Topics include: Introduction to Hospice; Role of Hospice Team Members; Cancer/AIDS; Films about Dying; Funerals; Family Dynamics; Grief and Bereavement; Communication Skills; Spiritual Care; A Family Member Speaks; Children and Death; Role of the Volunteer; and Care of the Caregiver.

The purpose of this program is to provide comprehensive training for Hospice volunteers and staff who work with the terminally ill. The program is designed to assist the participants in developing a clear understanding of the Hospice concept and philosophy and to enable them to be effective caregivers for the patient and family.

For more information call Charlene Burleson, Volunteer and Bereavement Coordinator (915) 649-2603 or 1-800-381-4663.

## Callahan Co. Water Supply Corp. Annual Membership Meeting March 23

The annual meeting for the Callahan County Water Supply Corporation is scheduled for Monday, March 23, 1998, at 7:00 p.m. in the District Courtroom, third floor of the Callahan County Courthouse in Baird.

Callahan County Water Supply Corporation Board of Directors President Robert Warren said all members are requested to attend this important meeting.

Nomination and election of three board members will take place at the annual meeting, with Nominating Committee Chairperson Jack Corn in charge.

Other agenda items to be discussed include a report of the Credentials

Committee on membership of the water supply corporation. The reading by Cathy Goldsmith, secretary, of the 1997 annual meeting minutes is also planned.

A financial audit report by Randal Fitzhugh, CPA with Fitzhugh & Smith P.C. will be held, along with an engineering report by Billy Jacob and Darin Jennings with Jacob & Martin Engineering, Inc.

Other agenda items include a Rural Development (FmHa) Report given by Larry Jones, Assistant Rural Development Manager.

The Texas Rural Water Association T.N.R.C.C. rules and requirements will also be presented by Kathy Parker.

## Social Security Rep. Schedule Announced

A representative of the Social Security Administration office in Abilene will be available at the Senior Citizens Center in eastland on Tuesdays, April 28, May 26 and June 23 at 9:30 a.m.

You may call Social Security toll-free any weekday from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. at 1-800-772-1213.

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## BREAKTHRU

By Bob Pipes, preacher  
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Most of us remember Job as the man of faith and patience -- but in reading the Old Testament book of the Bible that bears his name, I sort of get the impression that both his faith and patience wore thin as he questioned God concerning the things that had happened to him, all the things he had lost -- his children, his possessions -- then there was the terrible disease that beset him. "Why me, Lord? Why me?"

Well God, in essence, said, "There are a lot of things, in addition to that, that you don't know, Job, nor may never know." God "gave Job a test." Someone has said that Job answered every one of God's questions -- but he answered each of them with a shrug of the shoulder, saying, "I don't know!"

One of the questions God asked Job was: "Have you entered into the storehouse/treasures of the snow?" -- as if to say, "Are you aware of the secret values of the elements in snow? And the other values of its falling and of its coverage? Are you even aware of where it all comes from?" Perhaps Job scratched his head and shrugged his shoulders again, for he had never even considered that snow had any intrinsic value.

We've not had much snow here this winter -- don't usually have much. But perhaps our reflection upon Job and his conversation with God -- and God's question concerning the value of snow -- will help us appreciate it more. Better yet, perhaps it will help us believe in and appreciate even such "little" evidences of God's inspiration of the Bible -- like the fact of the snow's unique values being recorded hundreds, yea thousands, of years before mere men discovered it.

And most important, perhaps this will remind us that we will not know all the answers to our questions -- about life, death, loss, hurts -- in this life. And in eternity, they may not even be questions anymore -- especially if we are in heaven.

Come learn with us what we can know from God's word...

Sunday Morning Bible Class ... 9:45 a.m. Sunday Evening Worship ..... 6:00 p.m.  
Sunday Morning Worship ... 10:45 a.m. Wed. Evening Bible Study ..... 7:00 p.m.

Friends & Neighbors Caring In Jesus

Everyone is invited to celebrate the  
**Golden Anniversary**  
of  
**James & Frances Wolf**  
Sat., March 28  
**Pioneer Baptist Church**  
2-4 p.m.  
No Gifts Please!

**Special Open House**  
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1-3 p.m.  
Celebrating The  
Completion Of Our  
Refurbishing Project  
Refreshments will be served

# C.P. STUDENT REVIEW

## Wildcat Relay Results

By COACH BILL BOYD

The Wildcat Relays were held Saturday, March 14, at the Cross Plains track. Results of the event are as follows:

### High School Girls Results

3200 - L.J. Wyatt - 17:02 - 8th  
 100 hurdles - Richey 16.59 (p)  
 16.90 (f) - 2nd; Reed - 23.81 (p)  
 100 - (approx. 85 meters) - Hail 14.78 (p); Reed 14.84 (p)  
 800 relay - Payne 28.62, Butler 28.03, Webb 30.64, and Ricci 29.30

(f) 1:56.49 - 1st  
 400 - Webb - 71.86 (p)  
 300 hurdles - Richey 50.47 (p)  
 48.57 (f) - 1st

1600 - Bennett 6:26.70 - 5th; L.J. Wyatt 7:25.23

1600 Relay - Ricci 67.59, Butler 65.18, Payne 67.58, and Richey 64.49 (f) 4:24.83 - 1st

Shot Put - Francy 32' 5 1/2" - 2nd; Wilson 28' 3 1/2" - 4th; and T.M. Wyatt 20'

Discus - Francy 83'3" - 3rd; Wilson - Approx. 65'; and T.M. Wyatt - scratch

High Jump - Ricci - 5' 0" - tie 2nd  
 Long Jump - Richey 14' 7" - 3rd; and Ricci - 14' 2 3/4" - 5th

Triple Jump - Richey 33' 9" - 1st

**Team Totals**  
 1. Eula - 106  
 2. Cross Plains - 103  
 3. Rotan - 60  
 4. Aspermont - 53  
 Priddy - 53  
 6. Rising Star - 40  
 7. Santa Anna - 31  
 8. Huckabay - 26  
 9. Lueders-Avoca - 25  
 10. Jayton - 24  
 11. Santo - 10  
 12. May - 8  
 Gorman - 8

This was an excellent first meet considering we had so many people sick, hurt and out of town.

### High School Boys Results

3200 - Wilson 12:54 - 7th  
 800 - Monrreal - 2:19.02 - 1st; Dimitri - 2:20.10 - 2nd; and Harris - 2:35.68 - 8th

110 Hurdles - Ricci - 15.69 (p)  
 15.07 (f) - 1st; Swift - 16.51 (p)  
 16.63 (f) - 5th; and Kitchens 18.23 (p)

100 - Nixon - 12.17 and Walters - 13.64  
 400 - Purvis - 52.64 (p) 53.33 (f) - 2nd and Walters - 68.61 (p)

300 Hurdles - Ricci 40.77 (p) hurt (f); Swift 43.38 (p) 42.90 (f) - 2nd; Kitchens 46.51 (p) 45.42 (f) - 4th; and Harris 54.43 (p)

200 - Fortune 25.30 (p); Mackey 25.81 (p) and Nixon 26.49 (p)

1600 - Nickerson - 5:14.72 - 2nd; Monrreal - 5:31.22 - 5th; and Wilson - 6:05.38

1600 Relay - Swift 55.28, Fortune 56.69, Thomas 54.73, Ricci 51.69 3:38.40 - 1st

Triple Jump - Kitchens - 37' 7" - 4th and Swift - 36' 2"

Long Jump - Swift 16' 1 3/4" and Nixon 14' 6"

High Jump - Kitchens 5'4" - 5th

Shot Put - Switzer - 38' - 7th and Carey 29' 11"

Discus - Carey - 87' 11"

**Team Totals**  
 1. Rising Star - 163  
 2. Cross Plains - 86  
 3. Santo - 76  
 4. Aspermont - 69  
 5. Gorman - 44  
 6. Priddy - 30  
 7. Eula - 15  
 8. Sidney - 12  
 9. Jayton - 10  
 10. Rotan - ??

This was a very productive first meet. I saw some really bright spots. The next meet will be the Pioneer Relays this Saturday at the Cross Plains track starting at 9:00 a.m.

### CROSS PLAINS HIGH SCHOOL TRACK & FIELD SCHEDULE

Saturday, March 7 - Panther Creek Relays  
 Saturday, March 14 - Rising Star Relays at Cross Plains  
 Saturday, March 21 - Pioneer Relays at Cross Plains  
 Saturday, March 28 - Hamilton Relays  
 Saturday, April 4 - DeLeon Relays  
 Thursday, April 9 - Buffalo Relays at Cross Plains  
 Thursday, April 16 - District Track Meet at Bangs

Friday, April 24 - Regional Qualifiers at Wall  
 Friday & Saturday, May 1-2 - Regional Track at ACU  
 Friday, May 8 - State Qualifiers at ACU  
 Friday & Saturday, May 15-16 - State Tract Meet at Austin

### Cross Plains Junior High Track Meet Schedule

Saturday, March 7 - Panther Creek Relays  
 Saturday, March 21 - Pioneer Relays at Cross Plains  
 Friday, March 27 - Gorman Relays  
 Thursday, April 9 - Buffalo Relays at Cross Plains  
 Saturday, April 18 - District Meet at Gorman



## SCHOOL MENU

MARCH 23 - MARCH 27 (Subject To Change)

### BREAKFAST

MONDAY — Waffle, bacon, assorted juice and milk.

TUESDAY — Cream of wheat, toast, assorted juice and milk.

WEDNESDAY — Sausage, biscuit, gravy, assorted juice and milk.

THURSDAY — Breakfast burrito, assorted juice and milk.

FRIDAY — Cereal, toast, assorted juice and milk.

### LUNCH

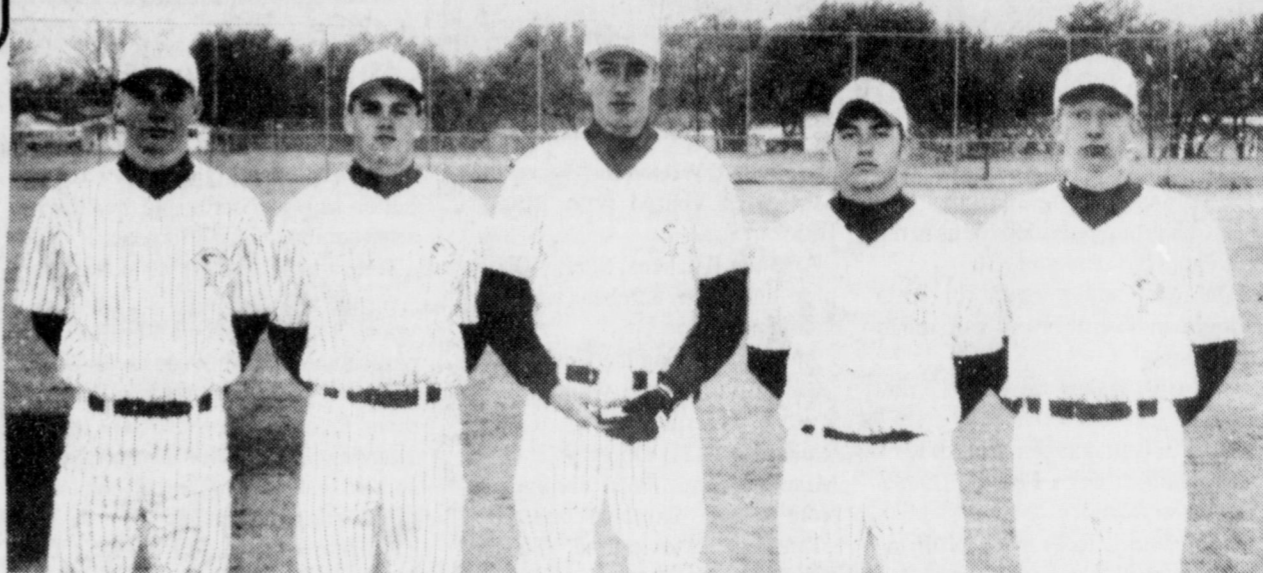
MONDAY — Corn dog, potato wedges, pickles, chocolate cake and milk.

TUESDAY — Chicken nuggets w/gravy, creamed potatoes, green beans, rolls, apricots and milk.

WEDNESDAY — Lasagna, broccoli, garlic sticks, pineapples and milk.

THURSDAY — Meat-cheese nachos, salad, pinto beans, cobble and milk.

FRIDAY — Hamburger, lettuce, tomato, pickles, fries, cookie and milk.



4-C UMPIRE TOURNAMENT ALL-TOURNAMENT TEAM—Leif Hunter (from left), MVP - Jarad Richards, Zach Edington, Joseph Turner and Carlton Thomas.



HIGH SCHOOL 4-C UMPIRE TOURNAMENT AT COMANCHE 1ST PLACE TEAM— K. Callaway (front, from left), C. Bailey, N. Dimitri, J. Hopkins, L. Hunter, L. Hill and L. Whitehead; Coach Woerner (back, from left), C. Thomas, J. Turner, D. Hinkle, J. Winfrey, J. Richards, Z. Edington, C. Richards, J. Gosnell, C. Reed, J. Pancake and Coach Atchley.

Spring Pictures - Thursday, March 26  
 Last Week To Order Your 1998 Annual Is  
 March 23 - 27

## 4-H News

### 4-H STEER TAGS

Will you be showing a steer through 4-H this coming year? If you are, it is almost time to order steer tags. Steer validation will be in June but the Callahan County Extension Office will need to know how many steers you plan on showing by April 30. You don't have to own your steers at this time, but they need to know how many you plan to feed. Call the Extension Office at (915) 854-1518 to report the number, if you will be showing under the Callahan County 4-H. Cost of the tag will be similar to last year.

### FISHER COUNTY 4-H SPONSORING SHOTGUN SHOOTOUT

The Fisher County 4-H Clubs will be sponsoring a team shoot on Saturday, March 21 from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. and an individual shoot on March 22 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. The team shoot will consist of the 5-man five stand and 2 man crazy quail. Pre-registration is recommended but not required. Teams may pre-register for specific shooting times. For more information call Justin Hansard at (915) 776-2171.

### RECORD BOOK TRAINING

Many of you are planning on doing a record book. There will be a training session on April 21 at the Extension Office at 7 p.m. There will be discussion on procedures on how to fill out the forms. Pick up the forms from

the Extension Office or your club managers before the meeting so you questions may be answered.

### COUNTY CAMP

The Texas 4-H Center in Brownwood will be the location for the County Camp. The cost is \$62 and all interested need to register by Friday, March 20. A \$30 deposit will be needed to send in your name. Call the Extension Office if you have questions or need additional information.

### UPCOMING EVENTS

The District Round-up is set for May 2. Call the Extension Office if you are planning on doing a Method Demonstration and give them your topic.

Registration deadline for Progressive Farmer Farm Safety Day Camp is May 15. The event is scheduled for Wednesday, June 17 from 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. at the Taylor County Expo Center. The \$5.00 admission covers all camp activities, lunch and a T-shirt.

On June 21-25 the statewide Texas 4-H Calf Roping School will be held in Stephenville. Participation is based on a first-come, first-serve basis, with priority to those boys and girls who are 14 years of age and older. Cost of the school is \$250 for the week with stall fees of \$25 for additional horses. Deadline for submitting applications is May 1, 1998. The number which can be accommodated is 45.

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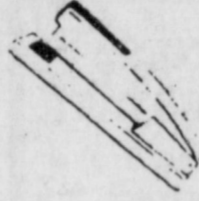
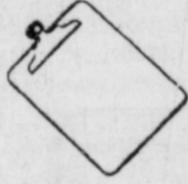
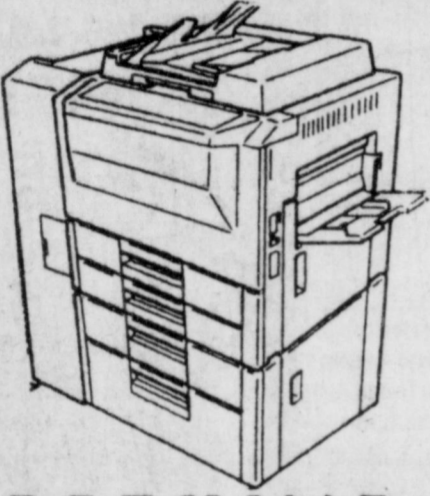
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Card Of Thanks  
I would like to express my love and appreciation to the people who prayed for me while I was in the hospital. I still need your prayers. Thanks so much for the flowers, cards, telephone calls, and visits. Thanks to my Sunday school class for the food brought to my home. My prayer is that all of you will receive this love and kindness in your time of need.

With love,  
Doris Goble & family

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**HUGE GARAGE, ESTATE & MOVING SALE**—Four family March 20 & 21, corner of 13th and Ave. C. Many good things. 51-10c

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Bids may be sent to P.O. Box 129, Cross Plains, Texas 76443. The City of Cross Plains reserves the right to accept or reject any and all bids. 50-26

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**PUBLIC NOTICE**

**NOTICE OF IMPOUNDMENT OF ESTRAY**

Case No. 98-03-052  
On the 13th day of March, 1998, I impounded the following estray:  
Kind of animal: Black Brangus  
Breed: Brangus  
Color: Black  
Sex: Male (steer)  
Age: yearling  
Size: approx. 550 lbs.  
Brand, Marks, Identifying Characteristics: Both ears have been cropped and, on the 13th day of March, 1998, I filed a Notice of Estray in the Estray Book of Callahan County, Texas. I have made a diligent search of the register of recorded brands in Callahan County, Texas, for the owner of the said estray, but the search did not reveal the owner.

Notice is hereby given that, if the ownership of said estray is not determined by the 31st day of March, 1998, said estray will be sold at public auction/sheriff's sale at Abilene Auction.

Witness my hand this 13th day of March, 1998.

Eddie G. Curtis  
Sheriff of Callahan County, Texas (seal)

**COUNTY OFFICE JOB**  
OPPORTUNITY ANNOUNCEMENT  
POSITION: Program Assistant CO-4  
TYPE OF APPOINTMENT: Temporary Position  
OPENING DATE: Thursday, March 19, 1998  
CLOSING DATE: Monday, March 30, 1998  
DESCRIPTION OF DUTIES: This position is located in the Callahan County FSA Office. The applicant assists higher graded employees who are responsible for carrying out office activities related to various farm programs.  
QUALIFICATION REQUIREMENTS: High School Diploma or equivalent. Typing skills and 10-key required, farm experience and computer experience desirable. Good public relation skills a must.  
ADDITIONAL INFORMATION: The Federal Government is an equal opportunity employer - candidates will be considered without discrimination for any non-merit reasons such as race, color, religion, sex, national origin, politics, marital status, disability, age or membership or non-membership in an employee organization.

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**Secondhand Smoke & Kids**

Secondhand smoke is defined as a mixture of the smoke given off by the burning end of a cigarette, pipe or cigar, and the smoke exhaled from the lungs of a smoker. Children are the most susceptible to, and the innocent victims of, secondhand smoke. Smoking, or frequenting establishments that permit smoking, means exposing your children to many of the 4,000 chemicals found in cigarette, pipe or cigar smoke.

\*The Environmental Protection Agency has classified secondhand smoke as a Group A carcinogen (known to cause cancer in humans). There are at least 43 chemicals in secondhand smoke known to cause. (U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, *Respiratory Health Effects of Passive Smoking, Fact Sheet, January 1993*)

\*Forty-three percent of U.S. children aged 2 months to 11 years live in homes with at least one smoker. (U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, *Exposure to Secondhand Smoke Widespread, July 1997*)

\*Every time a child inhales smoke-filled air he draws chemicals such as cadmium (a cancer-causing metallic element), ammonia (used in toilet cleaners), benzene (used in the manufacture of DDT), acetone (a powerful solvent), formaldehyde (a component of embalming fluid) and carbon monoxide. (Batholomew, Anita. *What You Don't Know About Secondhand Smoke. Reader's Digest, July 1997*.)

\*Each year mothers who smoke at least 10 cigarettes a day can cause between 8,000 and 26,000 new cases of asthma among their children. (U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, *Office on Smoking and Health*)

\*Each year, exposure to secondhand smoke causes 150,000 to 300,000 lower respiratory tract infections such as pneumonia and bronchitis in infants and children younger than 18 months. These infections result in 7,500 to 15,000 hospitalizations yearly. (U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, *Office on Smoking and Health*)

\*Secondhand smoke also can irritate the lungs, leading to coughing, excess phlegm, chest discomfort and

reduced lung capacity. (U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, *Secondhand Smoke, Air and Radiation (6203J), July 1993*)

\*About 6,200 children die each year in the United States as a result of parental smoking—2,800 deaths are linked to low birth weights caused by smoking while pregnant; 2,000 deaths are attributed to Sudden Death Infant Syndrome (SIDS); 1,100 deaths are caused by respiratory infections; 250 death are caused by burns from fires caused by cigarettes, matches or lighters; and 14 deaths are caused by asthma. (Archives of Pediatrics and Adolescent Medicine, July 1997)

\*A recent two-year study of over 350,000 live births in England found that Sudden Infant Death Syndrome (SIDS) could be reduced as much as two-thirds if parents did not smoke. For every hour an infant spends each day in a room where people smoke, the risk of SIDS doubles compared to infants who are in smoke-free environments. An infant exposed to indoor environmental tobacco smoke for four hours each day is four times as likely to die of SIDS as a nonexposed child. (British Medical Journal 1996; 313:195-8)

\*Each year secondhand smoke kills approximately 53,000 Americans, the same number of Americans killed in Vietnam War. (Action On Smoking And Health, *Special Report, Involuntary Smoking: The Factual Basis for Action, Action on Smoking And Health*.)

The Office of Tobacco Prevention and Control, Texas Department of Health, distributes the *Tobacco Information and Health Bulletin*. The bulletin discusses various topics such as women and pregnancy, secondhand smoke, tobacco and children, smokeless tobacco and cigars. The *Tobacco Information and Health Bulletin* is available for use by the media, public and private worksite newsletters, health and community organizations, schools and the general public. For more information on the above topics or to request a copy of the bulletin call the Office of Tobacco Prevention and Control at (512) 458-7402 or toll-free at 800-345-8647.

**TSTC President's Honor Roll for Winter 1998**

**SWEETWATER**—The Admissions and Records Office of Texas State Technical College at Sweetwater just released the President's Honor Roll for the Winter 1998 Quarter. Students must earn a 4.0 grade point average on a 4.0 scale to be recognized on the President's

Honor Roll. The following students are recognized for their academic excellence: **Sweetwater Campus**—Carolyn Rose of Clyde majoring in Computer Network Technology; **Abilene Campus**—Kenda Bryan and Annie Carey of Clyde both majoring in A.E. Dyer of Baird major undeclared; and Clark Kreitler of Clyde major undeclared.

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Sincerely,  
Belinda Davis

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Sincerely,  
Sharon Owens

**GOVT/"GUY" & CONCESSION AUCTION**  
Saturday - 10AM  
March 21, 1998  
Preview 8 AM

LOCATION: KASH Yard, 550 Ambler, Ab. Tx. Great items from Govt entities, area colleges & individuals.

TRACTORS/FORKLIFT: 62 MM M5, 5F, Dual Hydraulic, Propane 58 Ford 851, 5 sp, Propane, New Paint/Tires 56 Ford 600.4 sp, Propane 74 Yale Forklift, Gas, 15 ft Lift

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Sunday - 11 AM  
March 22, 1998  
Preview Noon

LOCATION: 1008 Stephens St. Clyde, Tx. FM 18 Turns into Stephens when it turns South on the East side of Clyde.

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\*\*\*\*\* CALENDAR \*\*\*\*\*  
3-28 Abilene Police Impound Vehicles, Sandy Larrie- 10am  
4-4, Great Estate Sale, 550 Ambler, Ab. Tx  
4-28 Tarleton, City, ISD, County, Stephenville, Tx  
5-16 City of San Antonio, ISD, County, San Angelo, Tx  
6-2, Taylor County Tax Property-300 Oak, Ab. Tx

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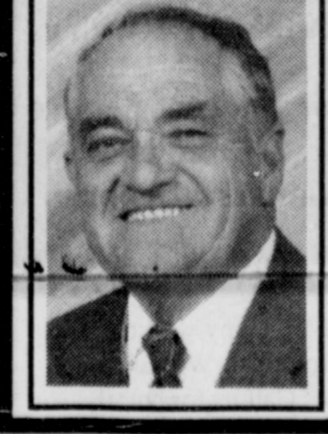
**CITIZENS OF CALLAHAN COUNTY THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!!**

I would like to thank the voters who put me in the run-off election for County Judge. I would also, like to thank those who voted for someone else. It is your participation that makes the democratic process work. This best assures that the most qualified individuals are eventually elected.

Let me leave no doubt in anyone's mind that I would represent the entire county. Most of the financial support, that I have received, has come through people from other towns in this county. My past operations and budgets have always been in order and are a matter of public record for all to see. I also have six years of experience in the private business sector, I have run a clean and positive campaign and refuse to stoop to negative gimmicks and trickery. The students, whom I have coached, will tell you that I am "fair" and refuse to "cheat" to win.

I also want to thank Ben Holloway for his support and ask those who voted for him to consider my candidacy. Your vote is what keeps you free. Only in America, could a dirt-poor farm boy, such as I, hope to rise to a county leadership position.

Many of our fathers and forefathers have served; bled, and died for that privilege. Don't forget to cast your vote on April 14.



**ELECT WINFORD "COACH" HOGAN FOR CALLAHAN COUNTY JUDGE APRIL 14, 1998**

POL. AD. FOR BY COMMITTEE TO ELECT WINFORD HOGAN, PATSY HOGAN TREASURER, CLYDE, TX.

## HAPPY BIRTHDAY

**MARCH 22**  
Barbara Strickland  
Brian Kelly  
Brenda Newton  
Marie Starr  
Robert Ringhoffer  
Randy Nickerson

**MARCH 23**  
Kelly Gardner  
Anna Jo McLain  
Diana (Purvis) Stover  
Winnie (Boden) McGill  
Bob Bomar  
Van Steven Young  
Wesley Hutchins  
M. H. Stout  
Lisa Mulvane  
Linda (Larkin) Canales

**MARCH 24**  
Kathy (Nickerson) Franke  
Mrs. Weldon Newton  
Mrs. Norman Lee  
Calvert Sheppard  
Clovis Ray Simons  
Mrs. Roy Markham  
Don Scott  
Mrs. Becky Baggett  
Tommy King  
Mrs. W. E. Nowell  
Donnie Duncan  
Duane Hutchins  
Ralph Erwin  
Tommy Potter

**MARCH 21**  
Linda (Whitton) Hill  
Wesley Markham  
Lisa Vaught Campbell  
Laura Ann Baum  
Wesley Banks  
Selena Twiner  
Donna Roe  
Andrea Hamer  
Kimberly Carter

**MARCH 25**  
J. T. Sheppard  
Cindy Kinnard  
Ronnie Richardson  
H. G. Thornton  
R. W. Purvis  
Theada Allen  
Anita Rose  
Mrs. Dick Koenig  
Cliffadean Hargrove  
Jonathon Gardner  
Beverly (Boles) Archer

**MARCH 26**  
Terri Markham  
William Keith Kelly  
Patricia Ann McMillan  
Era Miller  
James Harris  
J. L. Melton  
Sue Stone  
Carrol Falkner  
A. F. (Buddy) Thate  
Carl Sheppard  
Dena Marie Nichols  
Janie Clark Woody  
Mariam Harris

**MARCH 27**  
Zachary Von Edington  
Mrs. Osa Gattis  
Billy Hagar  
Mrs. Donald Flahie  
Nina Chambers Bryan  
Ben Hewston  
Ruth Applin  
Billy G. Woody  
Charlene Canales



**YOUTH TOUR CONTEST WINNERS ANNOUNCED** — The annual Youth Tour Contest was held on Thursday, March 5 at the Taylor Electric Cooperative, Inc. in Merkel in the Cooperative Board Room. There were three contestants from two area schools giving a 5 to 8 minute speech on the topic "If You Were A Surgeon General, What Issue Would You Address as a Public Concern?" All three contestants did an excellent job, which made choosing two winners very difficult. Winners are Jana Howe from Clyde High School and Katherine Holden from Wylie High School. They will receive an all expense paid trip to Washington, D.C. June 4-16, 1998, with other Youth Tour Contest winners from various other Texas Cooperatives. Travis King from Clyde High School was chosen as alternate.

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THEY BECOME WORDS.

WATCH YOUR WORDS,  
THEY BECOME ACTIONS.

WATCH YOUR ACTIONS,  
THEY BECOME HABITS.

WATCH YOUR HABITS,  
THEY BECOME CHARACTER.

WATCH YOUR CHARACTER,  
IT BECOMES YOUR DESTINY.

**I APPRECIATE YOUR CONFIDENCE AND SUPPORT**

Thanks to each of you for your vote and confidence in my abilities to serve as Callahan County Clerk. I sincerely appreciate each individual that supported me. My goal is to serve everyone equally in their needs, in a courteous, honest and effective manner.

SINCERELY,

Jeanie Bohannon

POL. AD PD BY KARLA GILLILAND, TREASURER, 601 W. 2ND. BAIRD, TX.

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COLLEGE STATION—Texas homes became more affordable to a wider population because the interest rate charged on home mortgage loans at the end of 1997 was the lowest it has been in two years.

"The average rate on loans, both fixed and adjustable, closed in Texas during the last three months of 1997 was estimated to be 7.35 percent," says Jack C. Harris, a research economist for the Real Estate Center at Texas A & M University. "This rate compares to 7.6 percent paid one year ago and the most recent low point of 7.21 percent during the first quarter of 1996."

The Texas Housing Affordability Index, which indicates the adequacy of a median household income for purchasing a median-priced Texas home, rose to 1.48 in the fourth quarter.

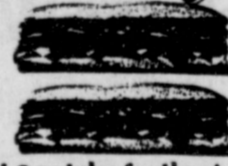
"The index means that the median Texas income of \$38,000 was 48 percent higher than the amount needed to qualify for a mortgage to purchase a home selling for the median price of \$91,000 at prevailing market interest rates," says Harris.

Out of seven million Texas households, it is estimated that 66 percent can afford the median priced home, up from 63 percent last year.

"The improvement in the Index was caused solely by the lower interest rate," says Harris. "Affordability appears to have stimulated sales, as the number of homes sold through Texas Multiple Listing Services for the quarter was 7 percent higher than the number sold during the fourth quarter of 1996."

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I would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone who supported me last Tuesday in the Primary Election for District Clerk. Your vote and support was deeply appreciated. Your friendships are dear to me.

Sincerely,  
Georgie Manion

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### THANK YOU CALLAHAN COUNTY VOTERS



You are such a special people. I am very proud to be a native of Callahan County. My family and I have been so humbled and blessed by your support, encouragement and especially your votes!

Sincerely, Thanks Again  
Roger Corn

### PICK CORN APRIL 14TH IN THE RUN-OFF ELECTION!

(EARLY VOTING APRIL 6TH THRU 9TH)

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