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Down Home

"COOKING DISASTERS"

By VANDA ANDERSON
CREECH

Now don't get me wrong, I am not a terrible cook, but through the years I have had some real disasters in the kitchen.

In an attempt to make dumplings from scratch many, many years ago, the dough rose completely out of the chicken broth pan and down the sides. Besides being inedible the dough stuck to the pan like glue. I remember this incident, as it was one of the multiple times I had to throw the whole pan away.

Mother could make great peanut brittle and I decided to attempt some. It looked fine, but it wouldn't release from the plate. It molded to the shape of the plate and you couldn't pry it off. You guessed it -- another throw away.

Then there was the flaming pies. I could make chess and buttermilk pies and I decided to try the butter cooking oil to make them even richer. When I checked on them through the window of the oven, flames were shooting through the center of the pies. I can't remember if we ate these or not but I had to turn off the oven to stop the fire.

Reading instructions is not one of my best talents. I was preparing an icebox pie and you were to add water to one package of ingredients and milk to the other. It doesn't work well if you get them mixed. I put the milk in the meringue and the water in the pudding. It was strange looking but it didn't taste as bad as you might think. The main problem was I was preparing this for a funeral meal and didn't have time to start over. That is when it is handy to just buy one.

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Special Speaker At Living Water Ministries To Begin Thursday

Annelore Rasco will be ministering at Living Water Ministries on Thursday and Friday, June 25-26, at 7:00 p.m. and Sunday, June 28, at 10:00 a.m. The church is located on West Highway 36 in Cross Plains.

This will be her fifth successive year to minister here. As a Messianic Jewess, currently living in Israel, Annelore brings a unique perspective of Biblical prophecy and where the nation of Israel is in relation to Biblical prophecy -- information that is not readily available from media sources.

Annelore flows in anointed prophetic teaching, disciplining and upbuilding the saints and warning them of things to come. She also ministers in personal prophecy, accompanied frequently by healings.

For more information contact Colleen Anderson at (254) 725-6800 or Gregory Gray at (915) 646-1678.

Woman loses part of leg in shredder accident June 17

By BILLY HARRIS
Special Writer

A 79 year old Cross Plains woman remains in Hendrick Medical Center after tangling with a shredder between Cross Plains and Cottonwood last Wednesday, June 17.

Dorothy Whittington, who was believed to also have a residence in Abilene, was still listed in stable condition Monday, June 22 according to a hospital spokesperson. Authorities said it appeared that Whittington had gotten her right lower leg into a grass shredder on a farm tractor and partially cut off her leg about two inches above the ankle.

The elderly woman had climbed back aboard her tractor and driven an undetermined distance to her home. She then managed to get into

the house and call 911 for assistance at about 2:25 p.m.

Her home is located about three miles north of Cross Plains and then a mile west of FM 880.

Cross Plains EMS, Cross Plains Fire Department, and The Cross Plains Police Chief all responded to the call for help.

Cross Plains Fire Chief Bob Harrell said, "She was conscious and communicating with emergency personnel while they tended her injury."

EMS personnel stabilized Mrs. Whittington and then transported the injured woman to the landing zone behind the Cross Plains Dairy Queen where they transferred her to "First Flight" helicopter for the trip to Abilene. It appeared that only tendons were keeping the right foot attached to her leg.

Callahan Co. Sheriff's Posse Trailride to Coleman Friday and Saturday

The Callahan County Sheriff's Posse will host their annual Trailride to Coleman, Friday, June 26 and Saturday, June 27.

The horseback ride will begin promptly at 7 a.m. This year, due to the extremely hot weather, all riders will gather at the intersection of FM 283 and Highway 36, and ride down FM 283 to Coleman. This should put everyone into camp earlier and hopefully avoid some of the late afternoon heat.

Anyone interested in riding with the group is invited. You should bring a sack lunch for Friday's noon meal, eggs and bacon for Saturday morning breakfast and sleeping bags or bedding for the Friday night camp-out.

The groups will ride approximately 18 to 20 miles on Friday, to the Hemphill Ranch, and camp on Jim Ned Creek.

Friday night's meal will be "lip smackin'" smoked barbecued brisket, campfire beans, potato salad and hot tortillas all prepared by Vice-President and world famous bar-b-que Chef, Bubba Hargrove and his trusty sidekick, wife Shannon, served campfire style on the creek.

Following a good night's sleep everyone is up early for breakfast and back on the trail by 7 a.m. for the additional 12 miles into Coleman.

Riders arrive in Coleman around noon, the street parade will be at 5 p.m. and the grand entry and rodeo begin at 8 p.m.

Everyone's invited to come on out and join in the fun!

For more information call Callahan County Sheriff's Posse President Shannon Staggs at 692-0272.

Coach Boyd's No Frills B-ball Camp Set for July 13 thru 17

The Sixth Annual Boyd's No Frills - Just Skills Basketball Camp will be held at the new Cross Plains High School Gym July 13-17. The camp is for boys and girls who will be entering Grades 4-9.

If you have a younger child (below fourth grade) who you feel is ready for this camp, please feel free to contact Coach Boyd. The cost of the camp is \$25. This includes a T-shirt plus certificates.

This camp emphasizes offensive play and one-on-one skills. Coach Boyd feels it is essential to learn to break down and beat your opponent off of the dribble in today's fast paced game. These one-on-one skills will be heavily emphasized and taught step-by-step. Another camp objective is to teach the campers to shoot with proper form. The camp will also have numerous competitions with awards given in each.

The first session is for Grades 4th, 5th, 6th and will last from 8:15 to 10:15 a.m. The second session is from 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Parents are welcome to attend any session, especially Friday, July 17, when the awards will be presented.

Coach Boyd has a combined boys and girls varsity coaching record of 265 wins and 107 losses with numerous teams in the state playoffs.

Helping Coach Boyd again this year will be Coach Mike Cavender. Coach Cavender is the highly successful coach of the Cross Plains Lady Buffs. He has an overall record of 226-124 and he also has had numerous teams in the state playoffs.

Last year the camp had 34 students. Coach Boyd and his staff hope to see you there.



SHAROLYN WALKER

Sharolyn Walker Ends 32 Year Employment at Local Restaurant

Dusty and Jody Finn wanted to honor an outstanding employee for whom they are grateful. The Finns described Sharolyn Walker as sweet, courteous, caring, lovable, happy and beautiful.

"She is the epitome of the perfect employee. Never a bad word about anyone, never a bad attitude, always on time, always ready to do what it takes to keep the business going. Sharolyn never avoids a task and always taking care of the customer just the way you would," Dusty remarked.

Jody and Dusty Finn, owners of Collum's Restaurant would like to thank Sharolyn publicly for her undying dedication to the restaurant for 32 years. This lady has dedicated her life to helping and pleasing the good folks of Cross Plains and the surrounding area for all these years.

In the 5 years that the Finns have been in Cross Plains they stated they have never had a problem or complaint about this wonderful woman. They explained that she was a fine example to the young people of this community with her dedication to God and her outstanding work ethics (God always being first).

Everyone at Collum's Restaurant - fellow workers as well as customers and friends will miss her smiling face and witty sense of humor. They wish her the very best and hope she will be happy in whatever she undertakes.

McConal's Mini Tennis Camp Set

Coach Mack McConal will be holding his annual Mini Tennis Camp featuring five days of instruction July 6 - 10 at the Cross Plains High School courts.

The first session will be for beginners and smaller children at 8:30 - 9:00 a.m.

The second session is for older youth 7th through 9th grade from 9:00 - 9:45 a.m.

The cost of the camp will be \$25. Call Coach Mack at (254) 725-6590 for further details.

Quilt Raffle to benefit American Cancer Society

The American Cancer Society is sponsoring a quilt raffle. The fan design quilt may be viewed at Citizens State Bank in Cross Plains during their regular hours.

Tickets are available for \$1.00 each or 6 for \$5.00 and may be purchased at the local bank.

The drawing will be held July 4 at the Clyde Lake.

Long-time resident fatally injured in car-pedestrian accident Friday, June 19

Sarah McCowen, age 84, wife of Burl McCowen of Cross Plains, stepped in front of a pickup and was fatally injured Friday, June 19, in the 700 block of South Main as she walked from her resident to Lakeway Grocery.

Tim Sanders, Chief of Police for the City of Cross Plains, stated that an 18 wheeler moving north bound was directly in front of the pickup which struck Mrs. McCowen and she probably never saw the second vehicle. Texas Highway Department Trooper Jim Cook assisted Sanders with the

investigation.

Kenneth Freeman, 19, of Clyde, was the driver of the pickup truck. No charges are pending.

Mrs. McCowen was transported to the Dairy Queen parking lot by the Cross Plains E.M.S. and First Flight flew her to Hendrick Medical Center in Abilene. Justice of the Peace Rolan Jones pronounced her dead at Abilene.

Services for Mrs. McCowen were held Monday, June 22, at Higginbotham's Funeral Home Chapel at 10:00 a.m. Burial was in the Burkett Cemetery.

Cross Plains Ranch Rodeo Saturday, June 27 at arena

The Cross Plains Roping Club will host the Ranch Rodeo on Saturday, June 27, at the Cross Plains Roping Arena. The fun begins at 6:00 p.m.

Dust off your hats, put on your boots, and hurry on down to the arena. Watch your favorite teams pen, rope, mug, doctor, and milk a wild cow. The red wagon race is really western along with the wild steer saddlin'.

The Ranch Rodeo Teams for 1998 are as follows:

CITIZENS STATE BANK: Randy Strickland, Foreman; Mackey Elliott, Draten Gillette, Steve Goldsmith, and Scotty Goldsmith.

CROSS PLAINS GRAIN & PEANUT: Terry French, Foreman; Tom Crowder, H.D. Hopkins, Mike Roberts, and Richard LeMay.

CUTBIRTH, BONNER, MCWILLIAMS RANCH: John Fred McWilliams, Foreman; Dustin Underwood, Cody Odum, Tim Reeves, and Jerry Conring.

JOHNSON'S DRY GOODS: Creath Switzer, Foreman; Shane Tucker, Jimmy Robison, Danny Cheatham, Aaron Rogers.

LAWRENCE FARM & RANCH: Tom Merryman, Foreman; Royce Lawrence, Jason Fleming, Alan Fleming, and Doug Akers.

PIONEER CO-OP: Tim Yates, Foreman; George Watkins, Rooster Hargrove, Shannon Staggs, and Paul Burns.

RED LANTERN: Frankie Hyles, Foreman; Pete Moberly, Mel Matthews, Joe Cooper, and Buck Hyles.

ROSE BUTANE: Reggy Stover, Foreman; Regin Stover, Sam Seider, Brandon Stover, and Toye Yearly.

SILVERBROOK RANCHES: W.T. Miller, Foreman; clay McGonagill, Amon Otts, Conda Odum, and Mark Harris.

STRENGTH PAINT & BODY: Herb Constancio, Foreman; Daniel Constancio, Chris DeLeon, Miguel Sanchez, and Raul Constancio.

VILLAGE MARKET: Jim Hook, Foreman; Steve West, Jody Hook, Jerry Williams, and Kevin Ward.

WTU: Bob Golson, Foreman; Ricky Calley, Cody Carson, Billy Golson, and Kenneth Saunders.

A local skilled craftsman, Kevin Elkins, will be present and displaying his wares. Kevin will also provide a hand-made pair of trophy spurs for the ranch rodeo.

Dance under the stars to music of Stagecoach beginning at 9:00 p.m. Ya'll come on down.

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COURTHOUSE NEWS

COUNTY COURT Bill Johnson presiding

Misdemeanor Minutes

Motions filed to revoke probations: Scott Allen Douglas, Blaza Belez Lopez.

Probations extended to 12-16-98: Michelle Baldock, Joann Hebel.

Ann M. Sherrin, probation extended to 12-18-98.

Robert Wilkerson Boykin, DWI, \$500 fine \$184.25 court costs, 3 days in jail.

Probations discharged: Manuel Dejesus Avila, Timothy Roland McFaul, James Brian Turner, Joseph Jernigan, Timothy M. Sealy, Audra Simpson, LaLayne Williams, Ricky Dan Ballard, James Joseph Elrod, Fred D. Mendez.

MARRIAGE LICENSES

Neeta Fay Jacobs & Alvin Thames of Clyde.

Kristi Lee Lewis & Richy Lee Barr of Clyde.

Frances Charlene Hounshell & Timothy Lee Williams of San Angelo.

42ND DISTRICT COURT John Weeks, presiding

Civil Filing

Divorce filed: Elliott, Billy Ray & Leslie Dawn, and in the interest of minor children.

Civil Minutes

Michael Lee Carey, found to be \$3440 in arrears on child support; new schedule of payments to begin 7-1-98.

Divorces granted: Foller, Tracy Lyn & Johnny Frank. Barron, James D. & Gerald A.

Felony Minutes

Robert Harold Oliveira, motion dismissed to revoke probation.

Joann Ivy Womack, probation discharged.

Mark C. Sandreth, probation revoked; sentenced to 2 years at TDC.

Fiddlers Contest & Gospel Singing Slated at Texas Cowboy Reunion in Stamford July 3

The Texas Cowboy Oldtimers will have its first Gospel Singing Friday afternoon, July 3, 2:00 p.m. in the Bunkhouse (south of the rodeo ground) in Stamford.

All gospel singers are invited to attend and perform.

The event will be free of charge and the public is welcome.

Call Mrs. Charles Clark at (940) 997-2680 or Mrs. Lewis Corzine (915) 773-3134.

A Fiddlers Contest will be held Saturday, July 4, at 9:30 a.m. in the Roundup Hall in Stamford.

Prizes of \$75 for first place, \$50 for second place and \$35 for third place will be awarded. Also, a ribbon will be presented to each winner.

All fiddlers 45 years or older are eligible and invited to enter. Registration will begin at 9:00 a.m. July 4.

Call (940) 997-2680 for additional information.

OBITUARIES

Sarah M. McCowen

Sarah M. McCowen, 84, passed away Friday, June 19, 1998, at Hendrick Medical Center in Abilene.

Funeral services were held at 10 a.m. Monday, at Higginbotham Funeral Home Chapel with Dr. Richard Chaffin officiating with Bill Reed assisting. Burial was in Burkett Cemetery.

Sarah was born May 2, 1914, in Brown County. She married Burl McCowen in 1936, in Burkett. She was a secretary and a member of the First United Methodist Church.

Survivors include her husband, Burl McCowen of Cross Plains; three brothers, Raymond Hounshell of Cisco, Charles Hounshell of Stephenville; and Elmer Hounshell of Lake Brownwood; one sister, Evelyn Pitts of Highrolls Mountain Park, New Mexico; and numerous nieces and nephews.

of Hearne and W.C. Bowman; two sister, Alta Lawdermilk of Ballinger and Dorene Edborg of San Angelo; four grandchildren; five great-grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.

Ashlie Starr Gerth

Ashlie Starr Gerth, 18, passed away Tuesday, June 16, 1998, at a Fort Worth hospital.

Services were held at 2:30 p.m. Friday, June 19, in the Church of Christ at Richland Hills. Burial was in Blue Bonnet Memorial Cemetery in Grapevine.

She is survived by her mother, Deborah Lynn Gerth of Fort Worth; three sisters Amber Paige Gerth, Autumn Dawn Gerth and Allana Lynn Gerth all of Fort Worth; one brother, Justin Gerth of Fort Worth; and grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Taylor of Cross Plains.

Fannie Ragland Bennett

Fannie Ragland Bennett, 100, passed away Thursday, June 18, 1998, in a local nursing home.

Services were held at 2 p.m. Saturday in Allen-Korzenewski Funeral Home Chapel, 1443 N. 2nd, with the Revs. Kathryn Boren and Archie Echols officiating. Grave-side services were at 4 p.m. in Burkett Cemetery.

Mrs. Bennett was born in Cross Plains and moved in a covered wagon to Matador in 1915 from Brown County. She was a Methodist and also was a member of Elm Street Church of Christ in Coleman. She was the widow of John C. Ragland, whom she married in 1914; Roy Rice, whom she married in 1945; Will Turner, whom she married in 1953 in Valera; and Roy Bennett, whom she married in 1974.

Survivors include two sons, V.L. Ragland of Abilene and John J. Ragland of Houston; two daughters, Evelyn Henderson of Weatherford and Ruby Chambers of Westbrook; 13 grandchildren; 36 great-grandchildren; 21 great-great-grandchildren; six stepchildren; several step grandchildren and step great-grandchildren; and many nieces and nephews.

Leona Alma Spivey

BRONTE—Leona Alma Spivey, 83, passed away Friday, June 19, 1998, in a local nursing home.

Graveside services were held at 2 p.m. Sunday in Fairview Cemetery, directed by Shaffer Funeral Home.

Mrs. Spivey was born in Maverick and was a homemaker. She lived in Cottonwood for many years until returning to Bronte in 1976. She was a Methodist and was the widow of Slim Spivey, whom she married in 1936 in San Angelo.

Survivors include one son, Larry Spivey of Blackwell; five brothers, R.W. Bowman of San Angelo, Virgil Bowman and Ben Bowman, both of Ballinger, Melvin Bowman

Bill Holland

Bill Holland, 65, of Bowie, passed away Thursday, June 18, 1998, in Las Cruces, New Mexico.

Services were held Sunday, June 21, 1998, at 2:00 p.m. at Burgess-Fry-Owens-Brumley Chapel in Bowie with Dr. Larry Cox, pastor of First Free Will Baptist Church Bowie officiating. Burial was in Elmwood Cemetery in Bowie.

Mr. Holland was born July 22, 1932 in Garden Valley. He was a retired lab technician for Koch Oil Company and a member of the Baptist faith. He was a member of the Bowie Masonic Lodge #574 A.F. & A.M. He was a policeman from 1969 until 1974 at Deer Park and was a Bowie city Policeman from 1974 until 1981. He worked for Koch Oil Company from 1982 until his retirement in 1995. He married Betty Hinkle on January 15, 1965 at Angleton.

Survivors include his wife, Betty Holland of Bowie; one son, Bill Holland of Shepherd; four daughters, Cynthia Lynn McGee of Alvarado, Elizabeth Ann Hicks of Mobile, Alabama, Jan Clark of Deer Park, Dee Ann Garcia of Galena Park; two sisters, Mrs. Shirley Fehlis of Louisville, Kentucky and Mrs. Nita Wright of Elm Grove, Louisiana; 11 grandchildren; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Contributions may be made to the American Heart Association, Montague County Division, First National Bank of Bowie, P.O. Box 1981, Bowie, Texas 76230.

SS Representative Schdeule Announced

The representative for the Social Security Administration will be in Eastland on Tuesday, July 28, August 25, and September 22. He will be at the Senior Citizens Center at 9:30 a.m.

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

County joins move to have cons pay for jail

By BILLY HARRIS
Special Writer

Callahan County Commissioners joined county's across the state in supporting legislation to make convicted criminals pay for their jail stay.

The plan, which was initiated in Denton County, supports a state law that would require convicts to pay a county jail for the time they spent locked up.

According to the *Fort Worth Star Telegram* article, under this plan, convicts pay fees each day they are incarcerated. Then bills usually come after their release, and the money goes to the county general fund or towards other jail-based programs. Counties, in other states, that have adopted the plan have made an average of \$125,000 a year with the program.

Sixteen states have adopted the plan to charge prisoners for their time spent locked in a county jail.

The Denton County Commissioners Court voted to back the plan on April 7 and Denton County Sheriff Weldon Lucas has been seeking statewide support since then. The letter received in Callahan County was from Lucas.

The proposal is not without critics. Diana Phillip, regional director of the northern Texas chapter of the American Civil Liberties Union, told Denton County Commissioners that it would create a burden for prisoners and their families who are already struggling.

Sheriff Lucas said he doesn't want to target the families of prisoners, so the proposal would allow indigent prisoners to perform community service to pay off the debt.

The Denton County Sheriff isn't concerned about the criminals though.

"I don't care what they think," Lucas said. "They made the decision to break the law."

Victim's of crimes share the same sentiment as they are rarely compensated in any way for the criminal's actions.

One man said, "It's about time we quit giving them (convicts) a free ride in air-conditioned jails with color T.V.'s and furnishings everything they need at taxpayers expense. Make 'em earn their keep like honest citizens have to do."

Alice Barron, founder of the support group Impact!, says that the families of convicts are against the proposed legislation. "The average inmate is indigent anyway and a lot of the offenders are drug and alcohol abusers," she said, and most are behind on child support payments also.

Impact! is a Dallas based support group for relatives of jail prisoners. The ACLU and other groups working with Texas prisoners and their children plan to lobby against the convict pay proposal if it reaches the Texas Legislature.

Senator Tom Haywood, Wichita Falls, and Representative Burt Solomons, Carrollton, have been enlisted by Sheriff Lucas to carry the bill in the legislature.

Solomons said, "The bill just makes sense. I think it's a reasonable idea on the basis that the cost for inmate incarceration are skyrocketing," he added, "but I don't intend to carry a bill that would harm indigent families, and I don't think the Denton County Sheriff or Commissioners do either."

Many people consider the program a crime deterrent also.

In Iowa and Michigan, where laws allow counties to bill prisoners, reimbursements to the counties range from \$3,000 to \$5 million annually according to the U.S. Department of Justice's National Institute of Corrections. Prisoners at the Linn County, Iowa jail are charged \$60 a day while they are incarcerated, some pay while they are prisoners others after their release. Community service is available for those who can't pay.

Linn county, Iowa Sheriff's Captain Galen Swartz says prisoners have told him, "I will never stay in your jail again because it's too expensive."

Professional Auto Racing Returns to Abilene This Weekend June 27-28

ABILENE -- More than 220 racing teams from around the nation are expected to participate in the 8th running of the Fina Abilene Sunburn Grand Prix.

Set for June 27-28 at the Abilene Regional Airport, Mike Dohrse, vice president of the Abilene Motor Sports, Inc., said more teams have signed up this year than ever before, making this grand prix the largest and best ever.

In addition to racing a swap meet has been added beginning at 9 a.m. in the spectator parking lot.

For the first time assorted prizes will be given away during the races. Gates will open at 8:30 a.m. Saturday with races beginning at 9

a.m. On Sunday, gates will open at 7:30 a.m. with the start of races at 8 a.m.

General admission for adults is \$6 per day or \$10 for a two-day pass; children under 12 (accompanied by an adult) are free each day; and paddock passes are \$3 per day per person.

The Fina Abilene Sunburn Grand Prix is presented each year by the Abilene Motor Sports, Inc., with proceeds benefiting local Abilene Rotary Club charities.

For additional information, contact the Rotary Club at (915) 675-6329 or Mike Dohrse (915) 676-2176.

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Selected Scriptures

Turn away my eyes from looking at worthless things, and revive me in Your way..

Psalms 119:37

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Ages 3 yrs. - 6th grade (completed) welcome

Please complete the information below and send with your child in order to speed up the registration process. Other forms available in the church office.

Name: _____
Last Grade Completed: _____ Age: _____ DOB: _____
Parent/Guardian: _____
Address: _____
Home Phone: _____ Do You Attend Church? _____
If so, where? _____
Allergies or health conditions? Please explain: _____
Emergency Contact: _____

First United Methodist Church You are invited to

Come to the Storytelling Tree

to listen to stories Jesus told.



July 6-10

6:30 - 9:00 p.m.

NEWS

By
LINDA MERRITT
Activity Director

Winnie Walton reported that she enjoyed a wonderful time visiting with her granddaughter and great-grandchildren, Becky, Payton and Reilyn Wood from Bryan, Donna Harris, Natalie, Ryan and Austin Beeler from Rankin.

Thoughts and prayers for Myrtle Owen and Pauline Regian who are in the hospital.

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

Betty Beggs from Pioneer visited Minnie Swann.

Mona Wilson from Abilene, Jimmy McCowen from Early, Kenneth Brooks from Arlington, Richard and Linda Wilson visited with Blanche Brooks and Howet Wilson.

Frank and Dorothy Pafford from Abilene visited with Jesse Harris.

Laquetta Rankin, Frankie Smith

and Angie Clower from Pioneer visited with Falba Shofner and Jo Boatright.

Dorothy Welch from Fort Worth visited with Leila Montgomery.

Activities during the week were:

Monday: Bingo winners were Ruby Harrell (3), Louise Richardson (2) and Minnie Swann. Exercise class.

Tuesday: Sing-a-long with Bob Wallace. Popcorn social.

Wednesday: Art class. Exercise class.

Thursday: Bingo winners were Louise Richardson, Falba Shofner, Vera Belyeu and Minnie Swann.

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

Sunday: First Baptist.

Life is for living, love is for giving.

Clips, Quips & Comments

By KAY DENNIS MÖSLEY

"Like Ships That Pass In The Night"

Consider your acquaintances, past, present and future.

Future acquaintances we can pretty much dispense with in this article as they have not yet developed. Future acquaintances are out there ahead of us; relationships still to look forward to. People, individuals with character, reputation, personality; experiences looming on the horizons of life, waiting to be dealt with by each of us.

Present acquaintances stand out in our thoughts if for no other reason than that they are fresher, more recent occurrences. Some have become our best friends, others casual friends and still more await development before being categorized. Acquaintances of the present are the individuals with whom we interact day by day.

As we proceed down life's highways, the acquaintances we make will affect not only ourselves but also the people we meet. Therefore, we should all be careful of the impressions we make on our fellowmen. Striving to be more understanding of others, their problems, their passions, faults, tragedies, triumphs, values, opinions and reactions will go a long way toward enhancement of present acquaintanceships.

Naturally there are the memories of acquaintances from the past, also. Lots of our remembrances of our acquaintances from the past are so dim we hardly have any recollection of them at all. However, some seem

as fresh as if they happened yesterday. There are the happy remembrances from childhood of sunshine and playing outside, the stirring thoughts of school days, teachers, homework and football games.

We also have past acquaintanceships that were all too brief due to the fact that one or the other of us moved away.

Remember the day you first became acquainted with your employer, or the first time you were introduced to your future mother-in-law? It seems logical to me that many, many husbands out there still remember the "GLORIOUS" day they were introduced to the illustrious father of their future bride!! Who among you do not remember that day? Speak slowly now and tell the truth.

There are quite a few fathers who recall their first introduction to their first baby, no doubt. What a way to become acquainted with your new offspring. Looking through that glass window in the hospital nursery at your first born or second born etc.

Yes, there are many types, sizes and pedigrees of acquaintances. Each are known to us in various stages of remembrances.

Whether your memories are of past, present or future acquaintances hold this thought. There are many memories which are reminiscent of smokey, hazy, ethereal, silvery silhouettes of dreamy, nondescript ships which pass in the night. Two ships who almost touch, yet fade quietly into a lonely and surreal oblivion.



KIWANIS GUEST SPEAKER — The Kiwanis Club of Cross Plains was honored to have Steve Mack (left), President of Citizens State Bank, as their speaker. Mr. Mack discussed the possibility of establishing a non-profit corporation to provide low cost loans for new housing and funding for repairs for low to moderate income families. A great time was had by all. He was the guest of Steve Jamison (right).

MA & PA

By JAMES NICHOLS

Pa had caught John, a neighbor boy, and Rachel behind the smokehouse kissing. When Pa asked what they were doing, John got a sheepish grin as his face turned red.

"We were kissing, Pop," Rachel said in a proud voice.

Pa never changed the expression on his face as he asked Rachel, "What's that spot on the side of your mouth?"

"I don't know, Pop. What does it look like?" she asked.

Pa bent down and turned her face to the sun to get a better look. "It looks a lot like a ring-worm to me. You had better go to the house and have Ma look at it," he said.

No sooner said than John cut a trail for home -- spitting and rubbing his mouth on his shirt sleeve.

Pa just headed on out to the barn.



WHAT A CATCH—Bill Strickland of Burkett is holding his 27-pound Yellow Cat which he caught on a rod and reel in the Pecan Bayou at Burkett.

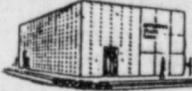
PERSONALS

May High School Class of 1958 is trying to locate a former student by the name of Princess Mae Watson who married someone from Cross

Plains. If anyone knows her whereabouts, please contact Bill Stewart of Brownwood at (915) 646-9272.

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PIONEER NEWS

By PIONEER QUILTING CLUB

Patty Heffley and son, Bryan, from Fort Worth spent the night Friday night with her mother, Lou Grider and Dick. Bryan had a four hour test at ACU on Saturday. He will start this fall as a freshman there.

Visiting in the home of Jean Fore was Paul, Juanita, and Vi Harlow of Lovington, New Mexico; Grasson and Myrtle Harlow and Myrtle's mother of Arlington.

Cowan and Laverne attended a catfish fry at Danny and Trisha's house Saturday night. Anthony, Robbie and Jason caught the fish Saturday afternoon.

Visiting J.D. and Sandy Sunday were Tabitha and Michael and Shelby Jordan of Carrollton and Shanna and Ben Honea. Shanna helped quilt with us on Tuesday afternoon.

Visiting with Earlene Burge Saturday was Rudolph Brown from Denton and Kathryn Brown and Betty Greenman from Fort Worth. They all attended the Pioneer School Reunion. Rudolph won the bid for the "Log Cabin" quilt that was auctioned off. The proceeds went to the Pioneer Cemetery fund. They all went to the cemetery and drove around the country for a while.

Oliver and Frankie attended the Cisco musical Saturday night. Sunday they went to Gustine to visit their friend Riley Bristow. Enjoyed also visiting with their friends Mr. and Mrs. James Blue of Newburg.

Skip Jones visited his parents, D.P. and May Jones last week. They all went to Missouri to bring Pate back to spend the summer. It's great to have him around.

The quilting club is still working on Lou's "Tulip" and Sandy's "Flower Garden." We were blessed with several guests for lunch, Vi Harlow, Paul and Juanita Harlow. Juanita stayed to help quilt. Shanna Honea also helped us quilt again Tuesday.

There was a good crowd at "game night" on Thursday. Everyone enjoyed the fellowship and the cats. Next game night will be July 2. Come on out!

Speaking of July 2, Happy Birthday Mike Frichler way up there in Colorado.

Words of Wisdom: Nothing will ever be attempted if all possible objections must be first overcome. Samuel Johnson.

BURKETT NEWS

By
LOVERA STRICKLAND

The Burkett School Homecoming was June 14. We had over 100 in attendance. Mrs. Minnie Burkett was honored as the oldest and Jimmy Lane Gaines of Sacramento, California traveled the farthest distance. As usual we had a great time talking and eating. The next homecoming will be the second Sunday in June 2000.

Tootie Rhoads of Breckenridge visited her brothers Jack and Lovera Strickland, Bill Strickland, and Eddie and Michele Strickland June 14.

Pete Golson of Rankin, visited Low and Liz Golson, Grace Green and Beth Klieber and her family.

Tami and Rex Priddy of Snook visited Eddie and Michele Strickland and others weekend before last.

Joan Foster and Katherine Swinhart of the Fort Worth area visited Mildre Lowe and they all attended the homecoming. Wayne Brown of Lometa visited with them. Rodney Long of Maryland visited

his parents, Leonard and Chris Long last week.

Linda Brady, Secretary-Treasurer of the Burkett-Adams Cemetery Association reports more donations received. Donations were received from: Emory and Willie Rider \$20; Leta Dadley (in memory of Clyde and Callie Gray) \$10; Billy and Carol Watson \$50; Berenda Cason (for Dewey and Maggie Cason) \$20; Marcel and Aleta Coleman \$25; James Younglove \$35; Larry and Shirlee West \$50; M/M Allen Rhoads \$15; Roland and Gale Wilson \$50; Janie Brown \$20; Mrs. J. Melvin Jones \$25; Earlene Ward (in memory of Pearl and Colie Thate) \$25; M/M Leroy Williams \$20; Louise Howard (in memory of Annie (Granny) Wesley) \$2; Lillie Mae Burton \$25; Andy and Barbara Young \$20; Janet Hounshell \$25; R.C. Baker \$50; W.H. and Barbara Evans \$20. Each and every donation is greatly appreciated. The donations are used for the upkeep of the cemeteries.

Nail Primers Pose Danger To Children

Methacrylic acid, a caustic substance used as a nail "primer" in home artificial-nail kits, is a growing source of serious injury to young children. The primers are used to "etch" the surface of the (original) nail, preparing it for the acrylic and polymer solutions which combine to create the artificial nail. Most of the injuries occurred in the home and involved a child between one and three years old. The children suffered severe dermal burns, none of the injuries proved fatal. Most primers are contained in simple screw-top bottles easily accessed by small children. If you use nail primer be sure it is out of the reach of children.

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BREAKTHRU

By Bob Pipes, preacher
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Is it really summer already? With the 100 degree and plus temperatures of late, there is no doubt! But when you think of nearly half of 1998 already past, it's hard to believe. There certainly wasn't enough spring, one of my favorite seasons of the year. I must admit that I'm already looking forward to my other favorite season, fall.

Actually, it makes us appreciate, I hope, variety. Someone has said, "Variety is the spice of life." It also causes us to realize that almost half of the year is gone, and in just a little while it will be the end of 1998 and beginning time for a new year -- 1999!

The prophet Jeremiah made a provocative statement along that line once, saying, "The harvest is past, the summer is ended, and we are still not saved." (Jer. 8:20) It was God's way of pointing out to the exiled Israelites that they weren't doing so well! It was past time for them to get right with the Lord, to repent and return, and they hadn't!

Will the summer be over, fall past, 1998 gone, and you're still not saved? Or will any of these pass, be gone, and you haven't repented and returned to the Lord? Have you intended to get more regular in your worship and service; will any of these pass and you're still "intending too"? How about the goals you set for 1998 -- your six months old "new year's resolutions" -- how are you doing on them?

God's instructions to the penitent believer is to "repent and be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins, Acts 2:38. In addition to actual salvation, God's promise is "the gift of the Holy Spirit," verse 38b, and addition to His kingdom, the church, verse 47. It's much better than "silver and gold," even healing from lifetime lameness, Acts 3.

Come learn with us what God wants us to do -- before summer and fall are gone...

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

Annual Club Lamb & Meat Goat Sale Raises Over \$19,000 for WTRC June 13

The Annual Club Lamb and Meat Goat Sale at the Wylie High School FFA Showbarn in Abilene on June 13 raised \$19,200 for the West Texas Rehabilitation Centers in Abilene and San Angelo.

Breeders from Texas and surrounding states donated 101 lambs and 71 goats for the sale. Animals purchased at the sale are eligible for the WTRC Jackpot Show on December 5.

The high selling lamb (fine wool) was donated by Bill Humble of Sterling City and was bought by Cody Bell of San Angelo for \$700. The top selling goat sold to Bobby Caraway, Tuscola, for \$470 and was donated by Benny and Debbie Ball of Spur. This was the first year for the Balls to participate in the sale.

Volunteer lamb chairmen for the event were Gaines Price, Roscoe; Wade Stephens, Cross Plains; John Helmer, Tye; and Charlie Palmer, Clyde. Jennifer Morris, Colorado City, chaired the Meat Goat Division. Dale Sheets was the volunteer auctioneer for the event.

Danny Isbell, WTRC project coordinator for the sale, expressed appreciation to the volunteer chairmen, the Wylie FFA sponsors, and to several area county FFA and 4-H students who worked extremely hard to make the sale a success. Tamra Jo Helmer who will be a freshman at A & M was recognized for her contributions to the sale. She has helped in many capacities every year since the sale originated in 1990.

Junior Golf Clinic Held June 15-18 at Rising Star

Thirty-five young people between the ages of 6 and 15 participated in the Junior Golf Clinic held June 15-18 at Rising Star Golf Club. Group and individual instruction were given each morning, and lunch and open play were available in the afternoon. On the last day, a scramble tournament was held, with prizes for the winning teams in two age groups. A putting and chipping contest was also held for all of the young golfers.

Those participating were Travis Franklin, Matthew Johnson, Zack Adams, Blaine Barker, Cole Koenig, Clay Koenig, Matt Tonney, Clinton Permenter, Keith Permenter, Vaness Williams,

Heather Williams, Conner Murphree, Caleb Busby, Austin Busby, Shane Sharp, Elias Williams, Kyle Cleavinger, Will Johnson, Rylan Harrison, Cody Green, Kayla Turner, Tyler Lancaster, Tanner Lancaster, Kyle Jones, Craig Jones, Cody Hargrove, Chase Dillard, Megan Connally, Matt Pruitt, Thor Woerner, Cierra Odum, Devin Underwood, Jessica Scowden, Samantha Scowden, and Heath Knight.

Thanks goes to the adults who helped with the contests. Also a special thanks to Joe Williams who assisted Pat McManus with the instruction.

Stenholm Seeking Academy Applicants

WASHINGTON, D.C. — Congressman Charles W. Stenholm is currently accepting applications from young men and women who are interested in attending one of the United States Service Academies.

Eligible applicants will be at least 17, but not past their 22nd birthday, by July 1, 1999, and must have graduated from high school by that date. Competitive applicants will be in the top 15 percent of their class and have SAT scores above 550 Verbal and 600 Math, or ACT scores of 26 English and 27 Math. Involvement in extra-curricular activities, including school and community organizations and sports as well as full or part-time

employment, is also in the applicant's favor.

Individuals who wish to attend the Air Force Academy at Colorado Springs, CO, the Military Academy at West Point, NY, the Naval Academy at Annapolis, MD or the Merchant Marine Academy at Kings Point, NY and who wish to serve as a commissioned officer are strongly encouraged to contact Jayne Schoonmaker in Congressman Stenholm's Washington office. Any individuals wishing additional information should call (202) 225-8119 or write to 1211 Longworth House Office Building, Washington, D.C. 20515.

Dr. Dan Blazer to speak at seminar for caregivers

Dr. Dan Blazer, Dean of Medical Education at Duke University, will speak at a seminar for caregivers and ministers on Friday, July 10.

The program, hosted by the Alzheimer's Association of West Central Texas and the Pruett Gerontology Center at Abilene Christian University, will be held from 9:00 a.m. until noon in the chapel of the Bible Building on the ACU campus.

Registration and coffee is scheduled for 9:00 a.m. until 9:30 a.m. At 9:30 a.m. Dr. Blazer will talk about dealing with agitation in the dementia patient. After a break at 10:30 a.m., Dr. Blazer will resume speaking at 11:00 a.m. His topic for the second session will focus on how churches can help families of dementia patients.

The program is designed for caregivers, both family members and healthcare professionals, as well as for church ministers and others interested in learning how to help the growing number of families affected by Alzheimer's disease or related disorders.

Church ministers attending will receive a special packet of materials, including a copy of a book entitled "You Are One Of Us: Successful Clergy/Church Connections to Alzheimer's Families" by Lisa Gwyther of Duke University Medical Center.

Dr. Blazer is the author or editor of 19 books and author or co-author of more than 130 published abstracts and more than 190 peer-reviewed articles. In addition to his position as Dean of Medical Education at Duke University, he also serves as the J.P. Gibbons Professor of Psychiatry. He is a professor of Community and Family Medicine at Duke and Head of the University Council on Aging and Human Development. He also serves as Adjunct Professor in the Department of Epidemiology, School of Public Health, University of North Carolina.

According to C.D. Pruett, Director of the Pruett Gerontology Center, "It is a rare privilege to have an opportunity to hear this outstanding educator and research scientist. Duke University has been in the forefront of research on Alzheimer's Disease."

There is no charge for the seminar, and no advance registration is required. For additional information, call (915) 672-2907 or (888) 511-4132.

Callahan Co. Jr. Breeders Assoc. to meet Tues.

The Callahan County Jr. Breeders Association will be meeting again on Tuesday, June 30, 7:30 p.m. at the Callahan County Extension office.

The association is open to anyone interested in helping to improve the breeding show at the Callahan County Junior Livestock Show for the youth who want to show breeding animals.

Tarleton names A Honor Roll, Distinguished Students for Spring 1998

STEPHENVILLE — The A Honor Roll and Distinguished Student list for the Spring 1998 semester has been released at Tarleton State University.

Dr. B.J. Alexander, Provost and Vice President of Academic Affairs at the University, released the names of students honored during the spring semester which ended in May.

Students listed on the A Honor Roll must have a 4.0 grade point ratio (GPR) on the 4.0 system and be taking a minimum of 12 hours.

Distinguished Students include freshman and sophomore students who have a minimum GPR of 3.25 with no grade lower than C, and juniors and seniors who have a minimum GPR of 3.50 with no grade lower than C and are in good standing.

The following area students are among the A Honor Roll and/or Distinguished Students:

BAIRD - Gregory J. Gerngross D, Celesta Marie Moore D, Lucindia O'Neal Riney D, Gary E. Shelnut A,D

CLYDE - Heather Dawn Elders D, Christy Denise Jonas D, Gretchen Yost D

CROSS PLAINS - Linda Anne House Cooper D, April Cowan A,D, Joy I. Dixson A,D, Brandon K. Smith D, Lee Wayne Wheeler D

MAY - Jeanette L. Lancaster A,D
RISING STAR - Cynthia Ann Bates D, Mary A. Kanady D, Diana Marie Nash A,D

Cisco Jr. College Offering Computer Science Classes

Cisco Junior College will be offering a beginning computer science class (COSC 1301) during a mini-semester in July. The class will allow students to complete a three hour college class in a compressed format. The class will be offered at the Cisco campus.

Classes will meet daily from 9 a.m. to 12 noon and 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. on the following dates: July 7, 8, 9, 10, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17 and 20.

The course is a basic academic computer course designed to satisfy the transfer requirement of most universities. The course would also be a good beginning for someone who just wants to learn the basics about computers.

The course will cover Microsoft Office, including Word, Excel, Access and Powerpoint. The instructor will be Tianay Rabb.

"We hope you will be able to take advantage of the opportunity to learn about using computers," states Ms. Rabb.

For registration information, please contact the Registrar's Office at (254) 442-2567.

Registration Begins at CJC July 7

Registration for the second summer session at the Cisco Junior College campus will be held on July 7 from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. and 6:00 to 8:00 p.m.

Classes held on Monday and Wednesday will be as follows:
English 2323 - Read in Eng Lit - 6:15 p.m. to 10:15 p.m.
History 1302 - History of U.S. Since Reconstr - 6:15 p.m. to 10:15 p.m.

Classes held on Tuesday and Thursday will be as follows:
English 1302 - Eng Comp and Rhetor - 6:15 p.m. to 10:15 p.m.
Government 2306 - State and Local Govt - 6:15 p.m. to 10:15 p.m.

The first class day is July 7 at all locations. For more information, contact the Cisco Junior College admission's office at (254) 442-2567.

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Callahan County 4-H Shooting Sports News 3rd Annual District 7 Fun Shoot Extravaganza

On May 23 the Callahan County 4-H Shooting Sports held their 3rd Annual District 7 Fun Shoot Extravaganza. There were a total of 87 4-H shooters from 14 counties.

Results from the shoot were:

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Recurve Sub-Junior: 1st Matt Strickland - Coleman County, 2nd Travis Lanham - Callahan County, 3rd Derek Edwards - Callahan County; **Junior:** 1st Ryan Boenicke - Brown County; **Senior:** Zach Hayhurst - Callahan.

Compound Sub-Junior: 1st Derrell Jennings - Brown, 2nd Jessica Wedeking - Jones, 3rd Dal Williams - Brown; **Junior:** 1st T.J. Crawford - Brown, 2nd Corey Sanford - Coleman, 3rd Matt Louorn - Jones

3-D Sub-Junior: 1st Jessica Wedeking - Jones 2nd Derrell Jennings - Brown, 3rd Kyle Conner - Brown; **Junior:** 1st Chad Conner - Brown, 2nd T.J. Crawford - Brown, 3rd Matt Louorn - Jones; **Senior:** 1st James Bryce - Callahan.

Clout Sub-Junior: 1st Kyle Conner - Brown, 2nd Dal Williams - Brown, 3rd Travis Lanham - Callahan; **Senior:** 1st Zach Hayhurst - Callahan, 2nd James Bryce - Callahan.

Pistol Silhouette Junior: 1st Josh Calder - Llano, 2nd Zane Wedeking - Jones, 3rd Jeremy Yocum - Callahan; **Senior:** 1st Kris Kaspar - Llano, 2nd James Thiess - Llano, 3rd Cory Engwicht - Jones.

Black Powder Silhouette Sub-Junior: 1st James Saunders -

Callahan, 2nd Craig Jackson - Callahan, 3rd Tony Held - Callahan and Cody White - Callahan; **Junior:** 1st Corey Sanford - San Saba; **Senior:** 1st Pete Saunders - Callahan, 2nd Kaleb Baker - Burnet.

Black Powder Bull's-eye: Sub-Junior: 1st James Saunders - Callahan, **Junior:** 1st Kaleb Baker - Burnet; **Senior:** Pete Saunders - Callahan.

Smallbore Rifle Silhouette: Sub-Junior: 1st J.R. Ragsdale - Brown, 2nd Derric Nichols - Callahan, 3rd Craig Jackson - Callahan; **Junior:** 1st Bryan Scoggins - Llano, 2nd Kaleb Baker - Burnet, 3rd Preston Bartlow - Callahan; **Senior:** 1st Caty Warrick - Callahan, 2nd Kris Kaspar - Llano, 3rd James Bryce - Callahan.

Prone: Sub-Junior: 1st Derric Nichols - Callahan, 2nd Mackey Crawford - McColloch, 3rd Tel Williams - Brown.

3-Position: Junior: 1st Josh Calder - Llano, 2nd Bryan Scoggins - Llano, 3rd Corey Sanford - Coleman; **Senior:** 1st Cory Engwicht - Jones, 2nd Lora Couey - McColloch.

Light Rifle: Sub-Junior: 1st Tel Williams - Brown, 2nd J.R. Ragsdale - Brown, 3rd Tony Held - Callahan; **Junior:** 1st Josh Calder - Llano, 2nd Bryan Scoggins - Llano, 3rd Preston Bartlow - Callahan; **Senior:** 1st Kris Kaspar - Llano, 2nd Cory Engwicht - Jones, 3rd James Thiess - Llano.

Trap: Sub-Junior: 1st Colton Turner - Callahan, 2nd Derric

Nichols - Callahan, 3rd Craig Jackson - Callahan; **Junior:** 1st Cody Slatton - Taylor, 2nd Brian Robinson - Callahan, 3rd Randy Linex - Taylor; **Senior:** 1st Andrew Pilgrim - Taylor, 2nd Trey Rivas - Concho, 3rd Cody Knowles - Callahan.

5-Stand Sporting Clays: Sub-Junior: 1st Dustin Miller - Taylor and Ryan Feller - Llano, 2nd Colton Turner - Callahan, 3rd Wade Ivy - Jones; **Junior:** 1st Cody Slatton - Taylor, 2nd Rand Linex - Taylor, 3rd Brian Robinson - Callahan; **Seniors:** 1st Andrew Pilgrim - Taylor, 2nd Max Harger - Nolan, 3rd Matt Dickinson - Concho.

Skeet: Sub-Junior: 1st Colton Turner - Callahan, 2nd Jacob Dickson - Nolan, 3rd Zach Green - Callahan; **Juniors:** 1st Randy Linex - Taylor, 2nd Cody Slatton - Taylor, 3rd Brian Robinson - Callahan; **Seniors:** 1st Andrew Pilgrim - Taylor, 2nd Max Harger - Nolan, 3rd

Jon Walker - Taylor.

Callahan County was well represented by 25 shooters: Zach Green Ashlie Green, Colton Turner, Preston Bartlow, Jeremy Yocum, Derric Nichols, Cody Knowles, Jarett Knowles, James Saunders, Pete Saunders, Craig Jackson, Tony Held, Cody White, Travis Lanham, Derek Edwards, Zach Hayhurst, James Bryce, Brian Robinson, Casey Hart, Derek Floyd, Tyrel Mullican, Caty Warrick, Luck Tarver and Rachel Tarver.

Columbia/HCA to sell homecare operations

Earlier this month, Columbia/HCA Healthcare Corporation announced that the company has taken another significant step in divesting its homecare operations with the signing of two letters of intent for the purchase of operations in twelve states.

Under terms of the letters of intent, Medshares Inc., of Memphis, Tennessee will purchase homecare operations in Arkansas, California, Virginia, South Carolina, Texas, Utah and certain operations in Kentucky and Indiana. Medshares Inc. and Affiliates is a privately-held, multi-state provider and manager of home health care agency services. Medshares owns Medicare-certified home health care agencies and manages Medicare-certified home care agencies owned by third parties. Medshares also owns private nursing service agencies and has a home infusion therapy subsidiary. The company, which is based in Memphis, Tennessee, was founded by Stephen H. Winters in 1984.

Locally, the intent to sell will significantly impact Columbia Homecare, which began its services in April 1992, serving the surrounding community by providing full service home care to a variety of patients ranging from residents of nursing homes to the terminally ill. According to Melinda Fraley, Director of Columbia Homecare/Hospice, "At this time, Columbia Homecare will remain a department of Brownwood regional Medical Center until the due diligence process is complete, which may take between sixty to ninety days." Even with plans to relocate within approximately thirty days back to their previous office at 1501 Burnet Drive, Columbia Homecare will remain focused on providing the same excellent service and care to patients who are making the transition from hospital to home environment.

Columbia Homecare is not the only hospital department affected by the purchase agreement, Columbia Hospice will also be included in the sale to Medshares Inc. However, just as with homecare, the services provided by Columbia Hospice will not be interrupted and patient care will remain the first priority. Also, the Columbia Homecare branch located in Cross Plains will continue its operation and close association with BRMC and the rural health clinics.

The agreement with Medshares Inc. is a positive move by Columbia/HCA Healthcare Corporation toward their plan of downsizing in order to maintain a smaller, more focused company while continuing to meet their respective communities' needs. Of the local Columbia Homecare/Hospice operation, Fraley stated, "The success of these departments in due part to our direct association with Brownwood Regional Medical Center and its outstanding staff. We hope to continue that relationship under the new ownership."

DOWN HOME

Continued from page 1

My son Kye says I only fix desserts when someone passes away -- so when he sees one he always asks who died. I usually place a note on it for him not to eat it.

This reminds me of the giraffe shaped birthday cake I made for Kye when he was about three years old. I worked for hours cutting the long neck and legs and putting icing on and decorating it. The cake even looked like a giraffe, but you couldn't eat it. The icing held it together well, but tasted a bit like glue. Now I didn't use glue, though it would have been tempting. The kids and I still laugh about this particular cake.

For years I could not make Jello and my whole family teased me about this. I would stir it up and it would not gel. When all else fails, read the instructions. Turns out I just didn't stir the Jello in the hot water long enough. This does make a difference.

This instruction problems gets me in a lot of trouble. I have made the stir-fry rice wrong so many times. I keep putting the season packet in

with the rice when you saute the rice. It tastes the same but doesn't work as well.

My last disaster involved a cherry cake. It came out of the oven fine and then someone slammed the door and it fell. I put the icing on it making little peaks -- looked pretty. I placed it on the table to cool. Well, the sun was shining through the window and it melted the icing and it ran through the top of the cake. This turned out to be the best cake ever. You never know the outcome. Sometimes they taste better than they look!

There is a picture in my kitchen which says, "I know it is ready when the smoke alarm goes off!" Mother gave me this because I have had the alarm to ring out frequently. Then it turned out that my husband Richard really cooks this way. He is a good cook, but he cooks on high and truly depends on the smoke detector to take out the food.

Do you remember some of your cooking boo-boos? Life would be pretty dull if we couldn't laugh at ourselves wouldn't it?



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- Monarch butterfly**, state insect, especially in Orange County during fall migration to Mexico.
- Cotton**, state fiber and fabric, grown especially in the Panhandle.
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- Sideoats grama**, state grass, grown in a variety of soils throughout the state.
- Jalapeño pepper**, official state pepper, although the chiltepin is the official native pepper.
- Pecan**, state tree, with \$68 million commercial crop in 1995.

SOURCES: John Sharp, Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts, Texas Parks and Wildlife, Texas Agricultural Extension Service at Texas A&M, and the Texas Almanac.

Rising Star Livestock Raisers Association Holding Fundraiser Golf Scramble & Hole-in-one at Rising Star Golf Club Sat., July 18

The Rising Star Livestock Raisers Association will be holding a fundraiser golf scramble and hole-in-one contest at the Rising Star Golf Club

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Cash prize consisting of a percentage of the entry will be given. Closest-to-pin, longest drive, skins pool and mulligans will be included. Entry deadline is Thursday, July 16 at 6:00 p.m. with entry fees \$160.00 per team with the field limited to 36 teams. Carts are not included in the entry fee. They are available by calling for reservations.

For more information call Golf Shop (254) 643-4653.

The Bangs Volunteer Fire Department Benefit Golf Tournament was held June 20 at the Rising Star Golf Club. Sixty-three golfers participated in the 3rd annual tournament.

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2nd Place Team - Score-66

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3rd Place Team - Score-67, won in playoff

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3rd Place Team - Score-32 Prize \$40

Johnny Salazar, Wayne Shaw, Tommy Pemberton, Randy McKee

Closest-to-Pin #16 - Johnny Salazar Prize \$48

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Card of Thanks
Jim and Frances Irwin want to thank the people of Cross Plains who came to the assistance of our daughter Jamie Colley who had a diabetic seizure while she and her husband were eating at Collum's Restaurant Saturday evening the 20th of June. Thanks to Collum's employees for calling EMS and furnishing food and assistance. To the EMS personnel who were off duty and eating at the restaurant and to the EMS crew who was on the ambulance we are grateful for you knowledge and skill. Thanks to Ike Neal for opening the drug store after hours so the necessary medication could be obtained. Charles and Jamie Colley join us with sincere thanks for all that was done for her. They have had several emergencies before at home and they said the Cross Plains EMS is superior to any they have been around.

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	1997	1998
Total Yearly sales tax payments	\$ 42,750.45	\$42,690.69
Total monthly sales tax payments	\$6,349.22	\$7,073.52

Cross Plains sales tax payments slightly down

John Sharp, State Comptroller for Texas, reported retail sales in the City of Cross Plains are 0.13% below in 1998 compared to 1997.

The state comptroller released the city sales tax rebates to the Texas cities Monday, June 15, including those in Cross Plains.

So far the city has received \$42,690.69 in 1998 compared to \$42,750.45 in 1997.

The city's monthly sales tax check for June 1998 was \$7,073.52, an increase of 11.40% from the \$6,349.22 payment made in June of last year.

Other Callahan County towns reporting sales tax payments include: —The City of Baird is reporting that sales tax payments in 1998 are 3.58% higher than the 1997 payments. The city had received \$37,904.60 so far in 1998, while the 1997 tax payments to the city totalled \$36,592.80.

The town's monthly payment for June 1998 was \$4,175.19, a decrease of 12.35% from the \$4,763.67 payment made in June of last year.

—The 1998 sales tax payments in the City of Clyde are 8.44% above tax payments made to the city in 1997. The sales tax rebates for the City of Clyde have amounted to \$74,297.23 so far in 1998. The 1997 payments to the city during the same payment period were \$68,511.54. The city's monthly payment for June 1998 was \$10,235.33, an increase of 10.00% from the \$9,304.80 payment made in June of 1997.

—The City of Putnam is reporting the 1998 payments to the town totalled \$5,329.86, up 12.43% from the 1997 payments to the city in the amount of \$4,740.53.

Putnam's tax payment for the month of June 1998 was \$912.08, which was 26.91% lower than the \$1,178.65 payment made in June 1997.

County-wide, sales tax payments for 1998 in Callahan County are running 4.99% above the 1997 payments in the county. Callahan County towns have received sales tax payments in 1998 amounting to \$160,222.38, while the 1997 payments to the county towns totalled \$152,595.33.

The tax rebates in Callahan County for the month of June were \$22,396.12, which was 5.96% higher than the \$21,136.34 collected in June 1997.

Some area towns reporting sales tax payments for 1998 year-to-date and whether it's an increase or decrease over 1997 sales include: Albany, \$102,466.16 in 1998, 14.61% decrease from 1997; Anson,

\$79,761.23 in 1998, 8.42% increase; Stamford, \$266,237.41 in 1998, 5.03%; Cisco, \$120,882.12 in 1998, 3.91% increase; Eastland, \$317,441.99 in 1998, 4.51% increase; Merkel, \$80,725.65 in 1998, 14.15% decrease; Ballinger, \$302,237.69 in 1998, 9.30% increase; and Coleman, \$252,963.96 in 1998, 3.47% increase.

Statewide, sales tax payments in 1998 are 11.16% ahead of 1997 rebates, according to Sharp's figures. The state comptroller has sent out checks totalling \$1,090,703,459.64 so far in 1998, while the 1997 payments to the state's cities amounted to \$981,198,662.41.

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This month's payments include local sales taxes collected by monthly filers on April sales and reported to the comptroller in May. Businesses file sales tax payments either monthly, quarterly or annually depending on the amount of sales tax they collect.

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GREETINGS FROM YOUR SENIOR CITIZENS

BY THELMA LONG

Games are still going strong! Some play Phaze 10, Skip-Bo and 42 every morning; Bingo and Breakfast on Friday morning; and that good old game of Chicken Foot on Friday afternoon. We had 6 ladies playing Friday - Helen Freeman was the high (or was it the low) winner. The lowest score is the winner. Why not join us in some of these games. It will do you good!

We have had visitors and they always welcome. Hopefully they will become regular.

Ginger Walters was here with Yuna Burkett and Betty Beggs has been here some. We are hoping she will become a member. She is a good 42 player. Betty and August were on the winning side. We challenge someone to beat them.

Minnie was here when the quilt drawing took place. Winner of the quilt was Vera Meyer of Clyde.

Bonnie Jones and Bonnie Alexander of Sweetwater were visitors and Nelda Chierster was visiting with Helen Freeman. Mr. and Mrs. Ed McAnally were here. They have been here before. We

would love to have them all the time. We have been missing Mary Bates. She has been helping her grandson get settled in his new home.

It's nice having Gene Dillard drop by daily.

Pauline Switzer is sick at home, but O.B. is back. Those two seem to take turns being on the sick side -- both have their share of health problems.

Jr. Key was also sick at home, but he is back now. That's good news.

Fred Hernandez was here on Thursday. He played beautiful music on the keyboard and everyone sang along -- some good old gospel singing. We thank you Fred. Please come again.

Elva Woody's quilt is finished with a few stitches every day.

Hopefully all the "Dads" had a good day on Sunday (Father's Day).

We were all sad to hear of the accident that claimed the life of Sarah McCowen. Our deepest sympathy is extended to her family.

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Dr. Mickey V. Bush of Sugarland and Gene Bush of Stafford are pleased to announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Susan Kate Bush, to Brett Christopher Larson of Austin. Brett is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Larson of Dallas.

Susan is the granddaughter of Mrs. Helen Freeman and the late Mr. H.C. (Hub) Freeman of Cross Plains and Mr. and Mrs. Lester Bush of the

Cottonwood Community.

Susan and Brett will be married on October 10, 1998, at the First Methodist Church in Austin with a reception following the ceremony in the Grand Ballroom of the Four Seasons Hotel. Following a honeymoon trip to Rome, Florence and Venice, the couple will reside in Austin where both are graduates of St. Edwards' University.



60 YEARS TOGETHER — Horace and Corina Crutchfield

Mr. & Mrs. Horace Crutchfield to Celebrate 60th Anniversary Sun.

The family of Horace and Corina Crutchfield would like to extend an invitation to all friends to celebrate their 60th wedding anniversary.

The party is planned for Sunday,

June 28, from 2:00 to 4:00 p.m. at the Lakewood Recreation Center. Please join them for fun and fellowship.

Pioneer School Reunion Well Attended Recently

By JO VEDA WATSON

The Pioneer, Peak, Crocker, Hickman, Gunn, Curtis, Sabanno, and Liberty ex-students had their annual reunion on Saturday, June 13. The reunion was held in the Fellowship Hall of the United Methodist Church in Cross Plains.

Jim Fleming, president called the meeting to order and welcomed all ex-students, former teachers, and guests and expressed our appreciation for their attendance. Bobby Jack McCowen gave the invocation. Mr. James Alexander gave the cemetery report and presented John

and Irma Miller a plaque for their years of outstanding service and dedication to the Pioneer Cemetery. Starting in 1981, John was caretaker and Irma was treasurer. They both retired in January, 1998. Jo Veda Watson gave the Cemetery Financial Report.

Recognition was given to Mrs. Ruby Curry McCowen, from Cross Plains, the oldest woman attending. The oldest man attending was Charles Rutherford from Rising Star. The ex-student coming the greatest distance was Mrs. Nell Grant Schmidt from Hamilton, Ohio.

Business was discussed and everyone expressed their appreciation to the United Methodist Church for allowing us the use of their beautiful facility. The meeting next year will be back at the Cross Plains Community Center on Jun 12, 1999. Jo Veda Fleming Watson and Mrs. Jean Fore conducted the memorial service in honor of the ones who have passed away since our meeting last year.

The same officers were elected for next year. They are as follows: Jim Fleming, President, Vice-President, Bobby Jack McCowen and Secretary-Treasurer, Jo Veda Watson.

The Pioneer Quilting Club had made a beautiful queen size "Log Cabin" quilt to be auctioned with proceeds going to benefit the Pioneer Cemetery. Mrs. Betty Brown Greenman from Fort Worth had the winning bid of \$255.00 for the quilt and immediately donated it back to be offered again. This time the winning bid of \$150 went to Rudolph Brown, from Denton.

A total of 103 ex-students and guests signed the register. What a wonderful day we had remembering and looking at pictures. Red's Barbecue from Clyde catered the meal.

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