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Down Home

EDITOR'S NOTE: The following salute to the U.S. flag was provided by Bill and Barbara Young. They had read the article and felt it appropriate for the July 4th issue. It makes a powerful point. Vanda Anderson Creech

"Your Flag"

Hello. Remember me? Some people call me Old Glory, others call me the Star-Spangled Banner, but whatever they call me, I am your flag, the flag of the United States of America.

Something has been bothering me, so I thought I might talk it over with you -- because it is about you and me.

I remember some time ago, people would line up on both sides of the street to watch the parade, and naturally I was leading every one, proudly waving in the breeze.

When your daddy saw me coming, he immediately removed his hat and placed it against his left shoulder so that his hand was directly over his heart -- remember?

And you, I remember, were standing there, straight as a soldier. You didn't have a hat, but you were giving the right salute. Remember your little sister? Not to be outdone, she was saluting the same as you, with right hand over her heart -- remember?

What happened? I'm still the same old flag. Oh, I've added a few more stars since you were a boy, and a lot more blood has been shed since those parades of long ago.

But now, somehow, I don't feel as proud as I used to feel. When I come down your street, you just stand there with your hands in your pockets. You may give me a small glance, and then you look away. I see children running around you shouting; they don't seem to know who I am.

I saw one man take his hat off, then he looked around, and when he didn't see anybody else take off his hat, he quickly put his on again.

Is it a sin to be patriotic today? Have you forgotten what I stand for, and where I have been? Anzio, Guadalcanal, Korea and Vietnam!

Take a look at the memorial honor rolls, and see the names of those patriotic Americans who gave their lives to keep this republic free. When you salute ME, you are actually saluting THEM.

Well, it won't be long until I'll be coming down your street again. So when you see me, please stand straight and place your hand over your heart, and I'll know that you remembered. I'll salute you by waving back!

Blood Drive Set for Tues., July 7 at First Med of Cross Plains

The annual blood drive for Meek Blood Center associated with Hendrick Medical Center in Abilene is scheduled for Tuesday, July 7 at First-Med Cross Plains. The Blood Mobile will be in the parking lot at 416 B Main Street during the hours of 1:00 to 5:00 p.m.

Donors may give blood in honor or in memory of a friend or loved one. The blood collected will be used to restock the supply for future use. All donors will be given T-shirts.

Give the gift of life!



GRAND CHAMPION TEAM — Silverbrook Ranches - Mark Harris (front, from left), Clay McGonagill and Bubba VanZandt; W.T. Miller, foreman (back, from left) and Amon Otts.



TOP HAND — Clay McGonagill (left) was presented a pair of spurs of his choice, handmade by Kevin Elkins (right).

Ranch Rodeo Hot But Fun For All

Despite the triple digit temperatures, cowboys and spectators alike came together to enjoy a night of ridin', ropin, wranglin' and relaxin'!

Cowboys demonstrated their skills by pennin', muggin', doctorin' steers and milkin' wild cows.

After all was said and done, the Silverbrook Ranch won the championship. W.T. Miller, Clay McGonagill, Amon Otts, Mark Harris and Bubba VanZandt won a Montana Silversmith belt buckle and gift certificates from Johnson's Dry Goods.

Village Market took home reserve champion honors. Jim Hook, John McCoy, Jody Hook, Kevin Ward and Steve West will receive custom screen-printed jackets from Dale Storch at Lone Star Printing.

The third place winners were from the WTU team. Bob Golson, Rickey Calley, Kenneth Saunders, Cody Carson and Billy Golson received custom engraved leather halters with lead ropes.

"Come to the Story Telling Tree" at Methodist Church

If you are not part of the approximately 25 percent of the First United Methodist Church membership in Cross Plains who is helping with Vacation Bible School, then please plan to attend. This year's VBS theme is "Come to the Story Telling Tree" and will offer exciting fellowship and discipleship for everyone from toddlers to adult, with a nursery being provided for the children of anyone helping or attending. Mark your calendars now for July 6 - July 10, 6:30 - 9:00 p.m. each evening.

An incredible number of people (approximately 50), have put their love for Christ, their creativity and their hard work into making VBS a time when individuals and families can give God glory and praise while

sharing five lesson filled parables of Jesus. Eight classes will be offered: Toddler; Pre-kindergarten and Kindergarten; 1st-3rd Grade; 4th-6th Grade; Junior High; High School; College and Careers; and Adult.

The intent of the Cokesbury VBS curriculum is to bring families together for an interactive revival of Christ in everyone's hearts, and homes. All participants are asked to bring a solid colored T-shirt, (new or used), and to pre-register. Transportation will be provided.

To pre-register and to arrange for transportation, please call Lindy Cooper at 725-6770.

Tony Burns made whips for the 4th place team from Cutbirth-Bonner-McWilliams Ranch. Team members were John Fred McWilliams, Tim Reeves, Jerry Conring, Justin Underwood, and Cody Odom. Clay McGonagill was chosen as top hand. Kevin Elkins will handcraft a pair of spurs of Clay's choice. The Hard Luck Cowboy chosen was Tim Yates. Tim received a plaque by Taste of Texas provided by Donald Strength and a gift certificate for Johnson's Dry Goods provided by Tye's Liquor Store in Burkett.

After the rodeo, the crowd gathered under the trees to enjoy music performed by Stagecoach. The Cross Plains Roping Club would like to thank all the sponsors for their continued support year after year. We also would like to thank all the members because without their countless volunteer hours, our rodeo's and playday's would not be possible.

Cross Plains EDC Announces Incentive Grants Program For Local Businesses

The Cross Plains Economic Development Corporation is pleased to announce an Incentive Grants Program. Five thousand dollars will be available to Cross Plains Businesses on a first come, first serve basis for exterior building improvements. These small improvement grants are a 50-50 match and are issued as reimbursements in amounts up to \$250 per business for such exterior work as: 1. New signage/current sign improvement/repair, 2. exterior painting (only on previously painted surfaces), 3. paint stripping/masonry cleaning, 4. adding or repairing an awning or canopy, etc. Complete guidelines and applications are available at the Economic Development office (in the Subway building) or call Denise Coulter at 725-6397.

EDC Quarterly Meeting July 8

The regular quarterly meeting of the Cross Plains Economic Development corporation, Inc. will be held Wednesday, July 8, at 3:30 p.m. at City Hall.

Burn Ban Returns To Callahan County

By BILLY HARRIS
Special Writer

The burn ban returns to Callahan County Thursday, June 25, by order of Callahan County Judge Bill Johnson.

"Due to the dry conditions and no relief in sight, we re-instated the burn ban for Callahan County," Johnson said Thursday.

Most counties in the Big country have implemented burn ban's, some even banning fireworks except on

private property.

Worsening conditions have prompted the Texas Forest Service to deploy a task-force to the area and they are to be stationed at Hamby.

Texas officials have even considered a state-wide burn ban to try to prevent fires similar to the "Poolville" fire two years ago. Governor Bush regularly takes a close look at wildfire conditions in the state and is a strong supporter of the preventative measures.

County Commissioners request an urgent message to county citizens: BE EXTREMELY CAREFUL WITH FIREWORKS!!!

By BILLY HARRIS
Special Writer

Callahan County Precinct 4 Commissioner Charlie Grider said, "We have very dry conditions in the county and we urge everyone to be very careful with fireworks." Callahan County does not have a fireworks ban, as neighboring Taylor County does, although both counties have burn bans.

Under Texas Law anyone starting

a fire, by whatever means, is responsible for all damages caused by the fire.

"Our county volunteer fire departments deserve to have a holiday with their families like everyone else," said Grider, "and we don't want to see them spending July 4th fighting grass fires."

The Clyde Lions Club will have a public fireworks display Saturday evening at Clyde Lake and all are urged to attend this safe celebration.



SPECIAL MEETING OF BASS CLUB — Bryan Bennett (front, from left) Joe Graves, Jerry Dean, Marian Reed, Tonya Spelbring, Laura Johnson and Kent Dakour; Cole Koenig (back, from left) and Clay Koenig are pictured.

Local Bass Club Hosts VIP Members Will Be Seen on Fishing Television Program

Fishing for Fun-Ding Bass Club of Cross Plains welcomed Jerry Dean, owner and editor of *Honey Hole Magazine* and *Honey Hole T.V. Magazine* to a June meeting for juniors. Accompanying him was Kent Dakour, cameraman.

The June 23 meeting was a segment of Fishing for Fin-Dings program to recruit, educate and inform junior-aged fishermen in the art and enjoyment of tournament fishing. The local club touts the promotion of good sportsmanship and fun in fishing.

Presented to all juniors in attendance, by Jerry Dean, were personally signed autographs, as well as caps, magazines plastic lures and decals for their use and enjoyment.

As speaker for the evening, Dean stressed to juniors the importance of staying in school. In talking with the group of assembled junior fishermen, he spoke concerning the fact that major sponsors such as boat manufacturers and makers fishing equipment (such as Zebco, Garcia etc.) want to see college diplomas before sponsoring tournament

fisherman.

Kent, cameraman, told of the filming of the television shows. "What you see is what is actually caught," Kent remarked. Jerry and Kent both emphasized that on *Honey Hole Magazine* there is NO staged angling.

The meeting ended with filming of the sign-off for the show. They were enroute to shoot footage at Lubbock's Lake Alan Henry. All persons present for the meeting will be shown on the television program. Filming was ongoing during the autograph session.

An honorary membership to Fishing For Fun-Ding and a Texas Sidewinder rod were presented by the club to Jerry Dean. A tape of the show filmed in Cross Plains, for viewing, was promised by Dean as this area does not pick up the show.

Commenting on the program and presentation was club member and long-time resident James Oscar Koenig. "Very impressive!"

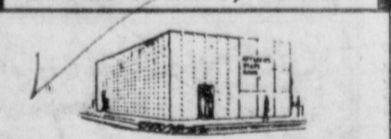
Culminating the evening was dinner at Collum's Restaurant. Submitted by Marvin Mosley.

Tickets For Chamber of Commerce Banquet on Sale

The Cross Plains Chamber of Commerce Banquet will be held Thursday, July 16. Tickets have gone on sale and you may purchase them at the Chamber of Commerce Office, Citizens State Bank, Tim's Floral, and Greenwood Insurance Agency for \$10 each.

A silent auction will begin the evening's festivities at 6:30 p.m. followed by dinner at 7:00. The speaker for this year's banquet will be Jack Scott.

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COUNTY COURT
Bill Johnson presiding

Misdemeanor Filings
John Mendez, possession of drug paraphernalia.
Ola Faye Crawford, TPC (theft of property by check).
Charged with DWI: Clay Wheeler, Matthew Wayne Gill, Brandt Duane Bennett.

Misdemeanor Minutes
Tommy Lee Randall Roberts, assault, \$250 fine \$204.25 court costs, 90 days in jail probated for 1 year.
Kim Thomas, TPC, \$100 fine \$191.25 court costs, 577.53 restitution, 6 months probation.
Robert Andrew Marquez, motion dismissed to revoke probation.

MARRIAGE LICENSES
April Joylynn Stephens & Bradley Alan Johnson of Clyde.
Mary Elizabeth Hall & John Delbert Thurman, III of Baird.
Julie Ann Morris & Larry Joe Floyd of Clyde.

42ND DISTRICT COURT
John Weeks, presiding

Civil Filing
Divorce filed:
Bradshaw, Willie D. & Sandra S., and in the interest of minor child.
Bales, Tracy S. & Charles W., and in the interest of minor child.

Civil Minutes
Divorces granted:
Cox, Jeffery Wayne & Byna Jeannette.
French, Terry Ray & Vicki Dell.

Felony Minutes
Brian Todd Monsey, motion dismissed to revoke probation.
James Donald Bronson, sexual assault, \$2000 fine \$174.50 court costs, 10 years probation.
Kenneth Alan Smith, DWI, \$1000 fine \$229.25 court costs, \$1325 restitution, 5 years at TDC probated for 5 years.

Roy Edward Gage

Roy Edward Gage, 74, passed away Monday, June 22, 1998, in Callahan County.
Graveside services were held at 9 a.m. Wednesday at Sabanno Cemetery with Franklin Stephens officiating, directed by Chambers-Wilcox Funeral Directors.
Mr. Gage was born on April 10, 1924, to Aaron and Myrtle Boen Gage, at the Sabanno Community.
Roy lived most of his life at Sabanno. He was a farmer and a member of the Baptist Church.
He is survived by his wife, three daughters, Lauma Bacon of Cisco, Alicia Knauf of Garland and Lana Parks of Alvarado; two sons; David Kinnard of Olden and Jeff Gordon of Cisco; One brother, James Gage and one sister, Mildred Hale both of California; twelve grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Jewel Henderson Freeman

Jewel Henderson Freeman, 91, passed away Sunday, June 28, 1998, in Tomball, near the home of her son, after a brief illness.
Graveside services were held at 2:00 p.m. Tuesday, near her birthplace in Cross Plains under the direction of Klein Funeral Home in Tomball.
Mrs. Freeman had been a resident of a retirement center in Tomball for the past five years. She was born to Fannie Lee and Ed Henderson on August 11, 1906, and grew up with her two brothers and one sister on a farm west of Cross Plains. She was married to Macon W. Freeman in 1924, and the couple and their two children moved to San Angelo in 1928. From 1936-1962 they lived in Coleman where Mr. Freeman owned a farm machinery and auto dealership and Mrs. Freeman was active in the First Christian Church. Mr. Freeman was a leader in organizing Alcoholics Anonymous groups in Texas and became executive director of the Texas Commission on Alcoholism in Austin in 1962. Jewel continued her church activity there in Hyde Park Christian Church and organized an Al-Anon Group to aid the families of alcoholics. After her husband's death in 1968, Jewel continued to be active in Austin until 1993 when she moved to Tomball.

Survivors include one son and daughter-in-law, Macon, Jr. and Dee of Magnolia; one daughter, Bonnie (Mrs. Langford) Wilhite, of Winter Park, Florida; five grandchildren; 12 great grandchildren; and one great-great grandson.

J.T. Harmes

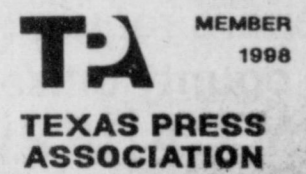
J.T. Harmes, 74, of Coleman, passed away Sunday, June 28, 1998, at Coleman County Medical Center.
Funeral services were held at 2 p.m. Thursday, July 2, 1998, at Stevens Funeral Home Chapel with Rev. Paul Smith officiating assisted by Rev. David Jenkins. Burial was in Coleman Cemetery under the direction of Stevens Funeral Home.
J.T. Harmes was born August 19, 1923 in Rockdale to the late Alvin Otto Harmes and Oma Dee Quinn Harmes. He moved to Coleman as an infant and had lived there most of his life. He attended school in Coleman and served in the U.S. Army with the 142nd Infantry, Company B. On August 5, 1947, he married Warene White in Floydada. He had been a race horse trainer for the past 25 years and was a member of the Community Baptist Church.
Survivors include his wife, Warene Harmes; three daughters, Patsy (and husband Gale) Gray of Denver, Colorado, Bobbie Kay Winter of Gatesville and Melisa (and husband Ronnie) Mayo of Coleman; seven grandchildren, Jaclyn (and husband B.F.) Townzen; Marc (and wife Cheri) Gray; Trajina (and husband Rod) Halbert; Donna (and husband Randy) Castle; Rick and Rowdy Mayo; Angela Whittington; seven great-grandchildren; one brother, Jimmy Quinn of Coleman; two sister, Florence Ray of Coleman and Emily Fulcher of Georgetown; sister-in-law, Mary Harmes of Coleman; and a host of nieces and nephews.

Velma Owens

CISCO—Velma Owens, 89, passed away Friday, June 26, 1998, in an Abilene hospital.
Services were held at 4 p.m. in Kimbrough Funeral Home Chapel with the Rev. Walter Williams officiating. Burial was in Romney Cemetery.
Born in Rising Star, Mrs. Owens worked as a nurse's aide and at Boss Glove. She was the widow of John C. Owens and a member of Mountain Top Church.
Survivors include four daughters, Viola Kisner of Sundown; Rosa Lee Melton of Hermleigh and Bonnie Jones and Donnie Petree, both of Cisco; 15 grandchildren; numerous great-grandchildren and several great-great-grandchildren.

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150 Plus Attend Atwell Cemetery Memorial Day

The Atwell Cemetery Memorial Day was enjoyed by approximately 150. The Jerry Lewis Family, Eddie Fay Dillard and Bob Morgan gave a program in song which was reportedly enjoyed by all.
Vondell Hutchins, Roxie Flecher and Clois Purvis were named to the Program Committee for 1998-99.
Donations for 1998-99 were as follows: Paul Brashear (in memory of the Brashear family) \$100; Virginia Sessions \$25; Bertha Lee Calderon (in memory of C.G. Hutchins) \$10; Darwin Purvis \$25; Mrs. T.A. Strahan \$15; Gerald Foster \$20; and Betty Jo Paxson \$25.

COLONIAL OAKS SERVICES

Old Time Gospel Mission will conduct worship services at Colonial Oaks Nursing Home on Sunday, July 5, commencing at 3:30 p.m.

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By Rev. John Setzer Midland, Texas
"We sing in a church -- why should we not dance there?" --Bernard Shaw
"The trouble with religion is that, while most people want to go to heaven, few people want to go to church." --unknown
"There is no dignity quite so impressive and no independence quite so important as living within your means." --Calvin Coolidge
"Certain thoughts are prayers. There are certain moments when, whatever the attitude of the body, the soul is on its knees." --Victor Hugo
"If they are going to argue religion in the church instead of teaching it, no wonder you see more people at a circus than at a church." --Will Rogers
"The world's favorite season is the spring. All things seem possible in May." --Edwin Way Teal
"You must believe in God in spite of what the clergy say." --Benjamin Jowett
"The man who kneels to God can stand up to anything." --Louis Evans
"God gave us memory that we might have roses in December." --James M. Barrie
"I am not concerned whether God is on my side or not, but I am concerned whether I am on God's side." --Abraham Lincoln
"We love the Lord, of course, but we often wonder what He finds to love in us." --Ed Howe
"Prayer doesn't change God, but changes him who prays." --Soren Kierkegaard

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NEWS

By
LINDA MERRITT
Activity Director

Allie Dickson said she had a real nice visit from her niece, Ann Belz, from Brownwood. The residents sure enjoyed the delicious watermelon that was donated to them from Allie's niece.

Special appreciation to the *Cross Plains Review* for the extra Cross Plains papers. The residents truly enjoy reading them.

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

Lessie Fae Baum visited with Myrtle Wilson, Jo Boatright and others.

Roger and Michelle Rudloff from Arlington, Lurene, Byron and Brenton McNutt visited with Louise Richardson.

Kenneth Brooks from Arlington visited with Howet Wilson and Blanche Brooks.

Activities during the week were:

Monday: Bingo winners were Louise Richardson, Falba Shofner (2), Vera Belyeu, Minnie Swann (2), Inola Wilcoxon and Ruby Harrell. Exercise class.

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

Wednesday: Art class. Exercise class.

Thursday: Bingo winners were Minnie Swann, Vera Belyeu (2), Louise Richardson, Falba Shofner (2), Ruby Harrell and Sylvia Smith (4).

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

Sunday: Old Time Gospel Mission

God Bless America
Happy 4th of July

Clips, Quips & Comments

By KAY DENNIS MOSLEY

Have you had any visitors lately? Or perhaps on second thought I should phrase that, have you enjoyed any visitors?

I really enjoy having visitors. It's especially nice when I know ahead of time that they are coming. That way I have plenty of time to straighten up the house, do some extra cleaning chores, get some cooking done a little bit ahead; "neaten" myself up and dust out the WELCOME mat. But even if it's a surprise drop by and chat kind of visit, it still gives me enjoyment.

I enjoy visiting immensely, it's fun to get together with friends and neighbors both from the past and the present. There always seems to be plenty to talk about, items from yesteryear and also from only yesterday.

Talking over things which happened some 20, 30, or 40 years ago, seems today in retrospect somehow unreal as if it happened to someone

else.

There is a friendly, comradely, cozy closeness apparent in single or small group visitations. Just makes you feel warm all over. Whether you serve ice water or a fancier beverage it's being together in person, in thought, and in conversation which unites your souls and causes the visit to be so enjoyable.

I'm never ready for my guests or visitors to depart, so much little time, left undone, and so little time.

Seems these days everyone is so busy, nearly everyone is employed; and not as much visiting gets done as it did in the past.

But remember, whether you're visiting indoors, outdoors, by telephone, or half way in between; we still have those FUTURE visits to look forward to.

THOUGHT FOR TODAY: The "wise" man has long ears, big eyes and a short tongue. "C" "U" Soon!

LAKWOOD NEWS

WATER AEROBIC CLASS

Ladies, did you plan to exercise this summer, but found that it had gotten too hot for you to get out? Well, classes will begin Tuesday, June 30, at the Lakewood Swimming Pool 7-8:00 p.m. for "Water Aerobics."

You will need your swimsuit,

swim shoes, a water noodle set and a spirit of fun.

Cost is \$1.00 per visit and your water noodle set may be purchased at the time of your first visit to the class for \$2.50. For more information call Linda Slaymaker (254) 725-7423 or (254) 725-6305. Childcare will not be available.

MA & PA

By JAMES NICHOLS

As a young lad of seven slips out from under the covers and his warm feet touches the cold hardwood floor, he leaves behind an impression of his body in the feather mattress.

Through the open window, the sweet fragrance of honeysuckle drifts ever so gentle on the morning breeze. He quickly gets dressed and walks hurriedly across the squeaky planks of the screened-in porch to the back door of the kitchen. Once inside, the light smell of wood smoke and the sound of bacon sizzling in a large cast iron skillet

meets him.

He sits down at a large kitchen table where the golden light of a coal oil lamp reflects off the red and white oil cloth tablecloth. On the table in front of him sits a plate covered with golden brown biscuits the size of coffee mugs and a half gallon pail of sorghum molasses.

Just slightly out of reach, sits a saucer of butter that looks like a yellow ball the color of the moon, cut half into with a rose carved in the top.

Hey Ma, where's the gravy?

PIONEER NEWS

By PIONEER QUILTING CLUB

Cowan and Laverne Hutton were business visitors in Abilene during the week. Laverne visited Christine King on Saturday morning. The Huttons are busy cutting and baling hay and hoping for rain soon so there will be pasture for the cattle.

Jean Alexander and Laverne Hutton went to the Arts and Crafts Show at the Civic Center in Abilene. They saw a lot of beautiful and unique crafts. After leaving they had a fountain cherry line soda at Medimore Bass, as old drug store on Pine. Mmm--Mmm--Good!

Oliver and Frankie went to the Cottonwood Musical Friday night. They traveled to Cisco Saturday morning for breakfast, then on to Ranger to visit Mrs. Ira Ainsworth, Frankie's aunt. They visited with Mrs. Dorothy Rogers and treated her to lunch. The couple enjoyed Saturday night at Brownwood Lake Musical.

Earlene Burge spent Friday in Brownwood visiting her children. Jessica and Jack are doing a lot of improvements on their house. They met some cousins from Cisco while they were at the Wal-Mart.

Jay and Jeb Hughes of Midland spent the day with James and Jean Alexander and D.P. and May Jones. They enjoyed the visit.

Skip Jones spent a fun day with May and D.P. Pate is spending the summer with his grandparents.

The quilting club is about to wind down. We still have Lou's "Tulip" and Sandy's "Flower Garden" in. We had almost all our members in attendance this week.

The game night will be Thursday July 2. Come on out.

Words of Wisdom #42:
Happiness is a thing to be practiced, like the violin. John Lubbock

Kitchens-McWilliams Family Reunion Held In Scurry Co.

The 1998 Kitchens-McWilliams reunion was held June 7, at the Inadale Community Center in Scurry County. There was only 26 in attendance this year, and really missed the ones who were unable to make it.

From Snyder we had G.W. and Bobby Kitchens, Margie Ferguson, Tim and Mary Burton, and Buddy and Patsy Kitchens. Dale and Ann Kitchens were there from Cross Plains and Jerry and Evelyn Tyler from Brownwood, Jesse and Doris Kitchens came from Abilene. Opal Talbot and Bill Talbot were

there from Sweetwater, Don Talbot from Fort Worth and Glen and Billie Talbot from Vernon. Also Jack and Nevada O'Pry were down from Amarillo.

Out of state relatives were Dan and Debbie McWilliams from Coolidge, Arizona and Jim and Angie McWilliams, Rachel and Kathleen from Playas, New Mexico.

We lost a very special aunt, Jewel McWilliams, since last reunion. She was greatly missed.

Hope to see everyone in Inadale in 1999.

Chris Key on deployment to Mediterranean Sea

Navy Petty Officer 2nd Class Christopher J. Key, son of Kayla King of Weatherford and Alan C. Key of Cross Plains, recently departed on a six-month deployment to the Mediterranean Sea aboard the destroyer USS Stump.

Key is one of more than 300 Sailors aboard the ship, which departed its homeport of Norfolk, Va., as part of the USS Dwight D. Eisenhower Battle Group. The battle group is comprised of ten tactical air squadrons, seven surface combatants and two submarines.

Destroyers, like Key's ship, have traditionally been the workhorses of the U.S. Navy, defending battle groups against threats from land, air, above and below the sea. Equipped with Tomahawk cruise missiles, Harpoon anti-ship missiles and Sea Sparrow Missiles, USS Stump is capable of hitting enemy targets hundred of miles away. In addition, Key's ship carries two helicopters with sonar and torpedo capabilities, expanding the ship's reach.

The USS Dwight D. Eisenhower Battle Group can travel more than 500 miles a day while simultaneously deploying to separate geographic regions. With

Tomahawk cruise missiles, tactical aircraft and combat-ready Marines, the forces provide unified commanders with an unparalleled range of flexible options and capabilities.

The 1992 graduate of Cross Plains High School joined the Navy in September 1993.

Mr. & Mrs. Buford Carr Surprised

Mr. and Mrs. Buford Carr, of Rising Star, went to Bryan for a family reunion and got a really nice surprise. Their three sons, Buford, Jr., Terry and Joe, honored them with a

60th wedding anniversary at the Ramada Ball Room in Bryan. Buford and Velma were married on July 18, 1938.

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Wars, like the one in Iraq a few years ago, cause us to reflect again upon the value of freedom. It is rather ironic that as some who had not enjoyed the freedom we experience in the United States were being set free from the bonds of communism, the people of Kuwait were being taken and held captive.

On July 4 each year we pause to celebrate our freedom. The celebration also gives us opportunity to be reminded of how grateful we should be for freedom and for those who insured it. I'm sure that some are still held captive in some instances, and we know that some continue to protect us. How can we ever repay them? Perhaps one way would be for us to take our freedom and the greatness of our nation more seriously and thankfully, and to show it on a regular basis.

As wonderful as political and social freedom is, there is another freedom that is even more precious. It's the freedom of the mind. We must know Christ's truth in order to enjoy that freedom, John 8:32, but "if the son makes you free indeed," verse 36. In other words, there's "freedom," then there's "FREEDOM!" Christ's freedom is REAL FREEDOM! It's freedom from sin, Romans 6:18, freedom from slavery to Satan and the power of his temptations.

Paul warns, "Stand fast therefore in the liberty (freedom) by which Christ has made us free, and do not be entangled again with a yoke of bondage," Galatians 5:1. Let all strive to attain the freedom in and through Christ, and hold on to it tenaciously -- even more than the social and political freedom we now enjoy.

Thank God for the freedom we have in the United States -- and especially for the freedom available in Christ! Let us show it Saturday -- and Sunday -- and Monday through Friday...

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RISING STAR GOLF CLUB NEWS

The Tuesday Scramble (June 23) at Rising Star Golf Club results are as follows:
1st Place Team - Score 31 Prize \$78
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2 Skins Were Out Paying \$13 Each.
Remember the Rising Star Livestock Raisers Association Fund-raiser Golf Scramble set for Saturday, July 18 which will benefit the 4-H and FFA of Rising Star. Deadline to enter is Thursday, July 16, at 6:00 p.m. For additional information call (254) 643-4653.

OH BABY

IT'S A GIRL

Someone tiny someone sweet who will like for you to meet.

SHYLER SPUR STOUT

Baby Shy weighed 5 pounds, 12 ounces and was 19 inches long. She was born on Sunday, June 21, 1998, at 12:46 a.m. in Brownwood Regional Medical Center to Connie Stout.

Grandparents are Brenda Weiss and Aubrey Stout, both of Cross Plains.

Her great-grandparents are Edwin and Betty Weiss of Cross Plains and June Stout of Cisco.

She also has a great-great-grandmother, Lorene Chaney of Graham.

She has two uncles, Josh and Jonathan Nelson and two aunts, Brittany and JaeLynn Stout.

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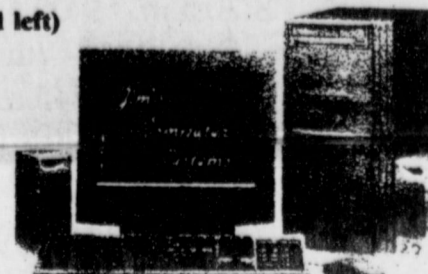
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Texas Forest Service Has Issued Extreme Fire Danger Alert

Firefighters from ten agencies have brought the 13,111 acre Matador Fire under control after five days of battling the blaze. Located in Cottle County, northwest of Paducah on the Wildlife Management Area.

The Matador Fire was one of six wildfires in the Paducah Wildfire Complex that burned 14,485 acres and at one time threatened 40 structures. The other five wildfires including the 1,000 acre Springer Ranch Fire, the 314 acre Taylor Fire, the 41 acre Salt Flat Fire, the 23 acre Thomas Fire and the 2 acre Cedar Top Fire were brought under control.

Ten agencies with 112 personnel were mopping up the fire which included the Texas Forest Service, USDA Forest Service, Texas Department of Transportation, Texas Air National Guard, Texas Department of Public Safety's Division of Emergency Management, Texas Parks and Wildlife, the Southwest Firefighters, Zuni Indian handcrew from New Mexico with the U.S. Bureau of Indian Affairs, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and private individuals.

The fires which were started by lightning on June 22nd, were fought by the Paducah Volunteer Fire Department (VFD), the Matador VFD and the Childress VFD. The departments made the initial attack on the fires and stayed with the blaze through yesterday, some working 36 hours straight.

At one point, the fire was a 5,300 acres and within 24 hours had grown to 10,000 acres. This was due to wind gusts in excess of 40 miles per hour that caused the fire to jump the Pease River three times before being stopped. Texas is experiencing one of its worse fire seasons with over 4,000 wildfires occurring since January 1st, that have burned over 200,000 acres.

"This summer fire season is as bad conditions wise that we had in 1996," stated Incident Commander Ron Davis with the Texas Forest Service on the Paducah Wildfire Complex. During that year we had over 25,000 wildfires that burned over 2 million acres of forest, brush and grass lands.

The Texas Forest Service has issued an Extreme Fire Danger Alert, the highest alert in the wildfire danger rating system, for the state, and firefighters are very apprehensive about the upcoming Fourth of July Holiday.

"We have 125 counties out of 254 counties in Texas that have issued

bans on all outdoor burning," indicated Information Officer Lou Sloat with the Texas Forest Service. "85 percent of our wildfires are man caused, and during this holiday period fireworks are the greatest danger in starting a wildfire that could destroy homes, property and lives."

The Texas Forest Service is urging all Texans to be extremely cautious while they are out camping and enjoying recreational opportunities afforded them by the Fourth of July holiday. They are also asking that no outside burning of any kind be attempted. That drivers dispose of their smoking materials in the proper manner, that household trash not be burned and that drivers use extreme caution when driving their vehicles off the road into tall dry grass.

"Conditions couldn't be worse than they are right now," stated Associate Director of Resource Protection Bobby Young with the Texas Forest Service. "We have put forth a huge fires prevention effort already with seven fire prevention teams in place in Lufkin, Conroe, San Antonio, Austin, Waco, Abilene and Lubbock. We have conditions that are worse than Florida or any other state, but I feel that our fire prevention effort and the people's cooperation has kept the fire starts at a minimum."

Firefighters from Paducah Fire Complex are being moved to a staging area outside Abilene while more than 18,000 other firefighters around the state are on alert for possible fires. Persons are asked to report any wildfire immediately by calling 9-1-1.

With everyone's cooperation, the state can get through this dangerous period without the loss of any lives or property.

Alcohol can cause birth defects surveys show drinking among women on the rise

At first glance, Phillip looks like any other happy, energetic two-year-old. But because his mother drank alcohol while pregnant, Phillip suffers from fetal alcohol syndrome and has learning and attention problems and physical developmental delays. The youngster regularly visits a birth defects specialist who checks on Phillip's progress.

These kinds of developmental delays can be caused by alcohol consumption while the mother is pregnant, and most women are not aware of the danger. It does not matter if the drinks are beer, a wine cooler or a shot of whiskey—any kind of alcohol may do irreparable damage to the baby while hardly affecting the mother. Alcohol passes through the placenta to the baby and stays longer in the baby than in the mother. Alcohol causes changes in the brain of the fetus, and most women are not aware of this danger.

No one knows if there is a safe amount of alcohol consumption for pregnant women, but most experts agree that it is best for the baby if the mother avoids all alcohol while pregnant. The Texas Department of Health (TDH) advises women who think they might be pregnant to stop consuming alcohol. "If you're planning a pregnancy, it's best to stop drinking alcohol before you try to conceive, and avoid alcohol during the entire pregnancy," advised Mary Ethen, an epidemiologist with TDH's Texas Birth Defects Monitoring Division. She advises women who drink to avoid pregnancy until they can abstain from alcohol for the

nine months from conception to birth and also while breast-feeding. Ethen also encourages all women to visit their doctor early to confirm suspected pregnancy and receive prenatal care.

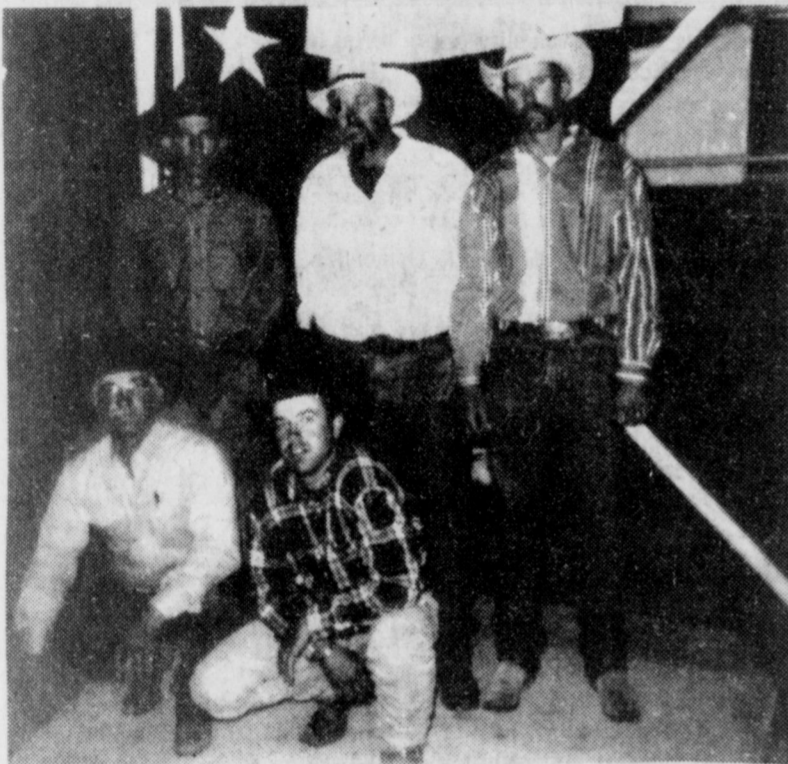
Some 5,000 children are born with fetal alcohol syndrome, or FAS, each year in the U.S. As many as 600 are born in Texas each year. FAS is a group of physical and mental birth defects that is the direct result of a woman's drinking alcohol during pregnancy. Alcohol consumption by pregnant women is the leading known cause of mental retardation in the U.S., and it is 100 percent preventable.

The damage caused by alcohol the mother drinks while pregnant is permanent. "The most important problem caused by drinking alcohol during pregnancy is permanent damage to the developing baby's brain and central nervous system," said Ethen. "This can result in lowered intelligence, learning problems, and attention and memory problems." Unexpected learning disabilities can occur. For example, some FAS children have advanced vocabularies two to three years above their age level but cannot count or understand the concept of time. Defects can also include growth retardation, mental retardation, speech problems, heart defects, physical deformities and hyperactivity.

A recent survey shows that although drinking has remained stable among all women of child-bearing age in the U.S., drinking among pregnant women is on the rise.



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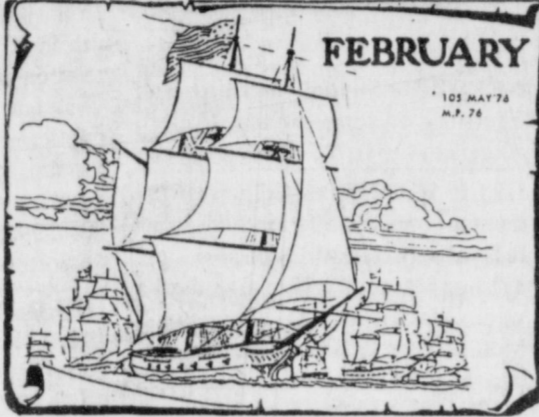
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4th of JULY



JANUARY

On January 10, 1776, a young patriot named Thomas Paine published a fiery pamphlet, "Common Sense," demanding independence from the British.



FEBRUARY

On February 17, 1776, the 1st Continental Navy was put to sea when Commodore Esek Hopkins sailed to Chesapeake Bay to break the British naval blockade.



MARCH

On March 5, 1770, British soldiers were provoked into firing upon a mob of jeering Boston patriots, an event commonly referred to as the Boston Massacre.



APRIL

On April 18, 1775, Paul Revere, warned by a light in a church steeple that the British were coming, set out on his famous ride alerting his countrymen.



MAY

On May 10, 1775, 83 Green Mt. Boys, led by Ethan Allen, took possession of valuable military stores when they peacefully captured Fort Ticonderoga.



JUNE

On June 17, 1775, patriots were ordered "don't fire until you see the whites of their eyes," and proved they could act as an army, at the battle of Bunker Hill.



JULY

On July 4, 1776, Congress adopted the Declaration of Independence, a document proclaiming that the colonies be "free and independent states."



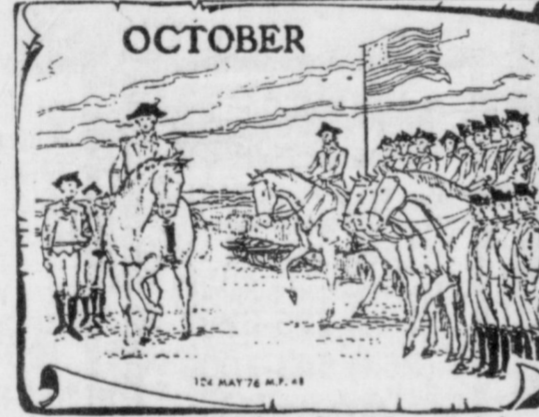
AUGUST

On August 10, 1831, it is believed that the name "Old Glory" was given to the flag when Charles Daggett said, "my ship, my country, my flag, Old Glory."



SEPTEMBER

On September 23, 1779, Commander John Paul Jones said the immortal words, "I have not yet begun to fight," and defeated the British in a famous battle at sea.



OCTOBER

On October 17, 1781, British General Cornwallis bade his troops lay down their arms at Yorktown. This was to be the last major action of the Revolutionary War.



NOVEMBER

On November 30, 1782, America and Britain signed a preliminary agreement to end the war, signifying the first step toward a formal treaty.



DECEMBER

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"Some of the most critical moments in a medical emergency are right after the problem has occurred, whether it's a car wreck or heart attack," said Dr. William R. Archer III, Texas Commissioner of Health. "If you think it's an emergency, call EMS. Then take steps to help the victim until EMS arrives. Traumatic injuries are the leading killer of young people between the ages of 1 and 44, and more than 9,600 Texans died of trauma in 1996."

As part of National and Texas EMS Week May 17-23 and Trauma Awareness Month, TDH offers these tips on the care that you can give an injured person before EMS arrives:

Heart attack/chest pains
Call 911 immediately. Have the person sit or recline, whichever is more comfortable. Loosen clothing at neck, chest and waist. If the person collapses and loses consciousness, try to awaken him or her. If there is no breathing and no pulse in the neck, begin CPR, if you are trained.

Bleeding
Call 911 immediately for serious or spurting blood. Have the person lie down. Apply firm, direct pressure over the wound to stop bleeding. Use the cleanest available pad—a cloth, handkerchief or clothing if necessary. If the pad becomes soaked, leave it on and put another one on top of it. DO NOT use tourniquets. Avoid coming in contact with another person's blood. Elevate the injured limb unless a fracture of broken bone is involved. Raise the person's feet higher than the head. Maintain pressure until EMS arrives.

Broken Bones
Call 911 immediately for a serious injury such as a broken or dislocated bone. Keep the injured limb from moving. Apply cold (not ice) packs to minimize swelling. If a bone protrudes through the skin, cover it with a dressing, but DO NOT try to push the bone back in. For excessive bleeding, use direct pressure around the area. If you suspect multiple broken bones, or the bone protrudes through the skin, or when the neck, back, pelvis or thigh might be broken, DO NOT attempt to move the person unless he or she is in immediate danger.

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Head, neck or back injuries
Call 911 immediately. DO NOT wait to see if pain or discomfort goes away. Tell the person to remain absolutely still and calm. Do not move the person unless he or she is in immediate danger. Severe, deep cuts should not be cleaned. Cover cuts with a clean cloth and do not apply heavy pressure to bleeding area. Do not attempt to stop bleeding from the ears, nose, or mouth.

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Whenever you call 911, remain calm or have a calmer person make the call. Answer the 911 dispatcher's questions, which will usually include the address of where the emergency is, the name of the ill or injured person and what is wrong, and your name and the telephone number of your location. Stay on the line until the dispatcher tells you to hang up. Have someone wait near the street or in the parking lot to direct EMS to the injured or ill person.

"The care that you provide for an injured person may be the care that saves a life," Archer said. "Now is the best time to learn what to do in an emergency."

To receive a copy of TDH's brochure "When Minutes Count: A Citizen's Guide to Medical Emergencies," call the Bureau of Emergency Management at 512-834-6700 or write TDH Bureau of Emergency Management, 1100 W. 49th St., Austin, TX 78756.

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Perry Briefs Glickman, U.S. Representatives On Impact Of Drought Conditions in Texas

WASHINGTON, D.C. — Agriculture Commissioner Rick Perry briefed U.S. Agriculture Secretary Dan Glickman on drought conditions in Texas and its impact on farmers and ranchers. In a meeting at U.S. Department of Agriculture headquarters, Perry shared economic impact figures compiled by the Texas Agricultural Extension Service which project direct income loss for agricultural producers of \$517 million and an additional \$1.2 billion in lost economic activity for the state as a result of ongoing dry conditions.

"It's time to put the lessons learned from the drought of 1996 into play for 1998," said Perry. "Secretary Glickman is now well aware of the serious situation we're facing in Texas and he has vowed to work with me and our congressional delegation to help our farmers and ranchers during this rough time."

Deputy Secretary of Agriculture Robert Rominger, Farm Service Agency Administrator Keith Kelly and other USDA officials were also present during the meeting. Perry strongly urged Glickman to streamline the disaster declaration process. In 1996, applications from Texas counties seeking declarations took as long as four months to make it through the system. Perry told Glickman that "Texas producers simply can't afford to wait that long."

Perry advised Glickman that backlogs for producer operating loans are severely impacting Texas agricultural operations. Perry cited an example of one Rio Grande Valley producer who applied for a production loan in November of last

year. That producer has yet to receive an answer from FSA on the application.

Perry thanked the Secretary for quickly approving a request allowing grazing on Conservation Reserve Program lands, but suggested he also allow dried grasses to be harvested from CRP lands. Authority to hay CRP lands would provide needed forage while eliminating a major source of fuel for wildfires across the state.

Perry also shared concerns voiced by producers in the Rio Grande Valley regarding crop insurance flexibility by the Federal Crop Insurance Corp. during the drought. Citrus and sugarcane producers who have long-term investments in their crops fear they may be denied crop insurance due to water reservoir scarcity. Valley cotton producers are also concerned that they will be forced to take non-irrigated crop insurance for their crops, which provides less coverage than irrigated crops insurance.

Earlier, Perry met with U.S. Rep. Charles Stenholm (D-Abilene) and U.S. Rep. Ruben Hinojosa (D-McAllen) to discuss drought issues and possible assistance from the congressional side. Talks focused on problems faced by producers statewide, but especially in the Rio Grande Valley where a fifth straight year of weather-related crop losses is expected.

"Through the leadership of Rep. Hinojosa, Rep. Stenholm and other key members of the Texas congressional delegation such as Rep. Larry Combest, Rep. Henry Bonilla, Sen. Phil Gramm and Sen. Kay Bailey Hutchison, I am

confident the concerns of our Texas farmers and ranchers will be voiced loud and clear in Washington," said Perry. "Such a coalition is important to the future of Texas agriculture if our state is to receive its fair share of the limited disaster assistance available."

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