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## Down Home

"Why the Hostility?"

By VANDA ANDERSON  
CREECH  
Editor

The subject on everyone's mind is the tragedy at Columbine High School in Littleton, Colorado where fifteen were slain and a mass destruction was planned. How many of the same incidents will have to occur before we get the picture?

Our society has painted itself into a corner. The parents, the schools, the authorities, the interaction of students, and individual attitudes all contributed to this problem. We are all guilty of looking the other way - because that is easier. What do we do to turn this around?

First we have to face the truth and make a dedicated effort to change before we are afraid to send our children to school, visit the mall, drive on the freeway, etc.

What has happened to parenting? I think you have taken your children's privacy too far when you don't even look in their room to see what they are doing. No child deserves that kind of solitude, while they live under your roof.

In each case the youth who was the perpetrator was mistreated by their peers. I am not defending what these young people did, but we have to see that they were motivated in their actions.

The bully situation is not something that only exists at Columbine -- it is in every school. It is very difficult to be the person who is not accepted by a certain click or group.

All you need to be an outcast is just be a little different. It is the age old pecking order -- just like chickens.

The fact that athletes were singled out in the Columbine killings, was not a surprise. If you are not into athletics you are often penalized by your peers and even adults. Who made this rule? Everyone is an individual with different talents.

This rejection is the same reason some kids turn to drugs and gangs because they feel like they finally fit somewhere.

If you have been watching the Columbine students on television, they are now learning to treat each other with respect. What a horrible way to get your attention!

Violent movies have also contributed to the disrespect for human life. The movie shows killing, but never the grief and sorrow of the families who lose their loved ones. They portray life as valueless and the public appears willing to accept this. We have accepted too much along the way.

The school should have recognized the problem as well. Probably there were other students who knew about the plan, but didn't say a word. They should be held accountable, too.

In my opinion, the Golden Rule: **Do unto others as you would have them do unto you**, has been long forgotten. How sad!

## COLONIAL OAKS SERVICES

Pioneer Pentecostal will conduct worship services at Colonial Oaks Nursing Home on Sunday, May 2, commencing at 3:30 p.m.

## Pre-K And Kindergarten Registration Date Set

Parents are asked to register their children who will enter Pre-kindergarten next fall. Cross Plains Elementary offers Pre-kindergarten to all children who will be four years of age on or before September 1, 1999. Pre-kindergarten is offered through the "Academics 2000" grant received to promote reading. The Pre-kindergarten program is 1/2 day, and ran from 8:00 to 11:30 a.m. this school year. Also, students who will be five years of age on or before September 1, 1999, are eligible for Kindergarten. Kindergarten is a full day program. Kindergarten is a basic part of the Cross Plains School system and the service is available to all students. If your child is currently enrolled in Pre-K at Cross Plains Elementary, you will not have to go through the screening process. If your child has not been enrolled in Pre-K, and will be attending Kindergarten in the fall, please register for screening.

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## Annual Fish Fry Sponsored by CP Volunteer Fire Department

The Cross Plains Volunteer Fire Department will sponsor their Annual Fish Fry this year on Friday, May 14th at the Cross Plains Community Center 5-8:00 p.m. The cost this year will be \$7.00 for adults and \$3.00 for children 12 and under. The menu will consist of fish or chicken strips, French fries, beans, coleslaw, tartar sauce, all the usual condiments and will include ice tea and peach cobbler for dessert.

## Second Annual "Run For The Fans" Event Slated For May

By VENTURA MONRREAL  
AND JOSEPH HOPKINS

The second annual Run for the Fans will be held this year on the morning of the Nixon Benefit, Saturday, May 14, at 8:30 a.m. The run will start at the high school track and cut through the back gate that leads to the practice field. The route will be announced at a later date, but the final portion of the run will end at the track.

This year the proceeds will be split equally between the Nixon Benefit Fund and the Cross Plains community through a donation to the Multi-Purpose Center on behalf of the Cross Plains High School students participating in the event.

Portions of last year's proceeds were used to purchase over fifty Christmas baskets which were delivered to members of our community during the five days prior to the holiday. Remaining funds are being donated to Leon Nixon, on behalf of last year's "Run For the Fans" participants.

Persons wishing to contribute may do so by calling Jean McWilliams or Rondall Sanders at (254) 725-6121. Participants in the event will also be stopping by businesses and asking friends and families for donations to the fund.

See RUN page 7



SIDEWALK PROJECT NEARS COMPLETION — Additional trees and plants completes the landscaping.

## Sidewalk Project Update

By VANDA ANDERSON  
CREECH  
Editor

On Friday, April 23, one more step was taken toward the completion of the Sidewalk Project with the planting of trees and plants.

Bradford pear trees were placed in designated spaces. Red dwarf crepe myrtles and red nandinas were planted in flower beds where trees could not be established. Asian jasmine was utilized as ground cover. Large crepe myrtles were placed on the south side of Citizens State Bank. The landscaping was the "icing on the cake" for the project.

Additional benches are still needed. If you would like to donate a bench you may purchase one at Higginbotham's Brothers and Company. Metal plaques will be placed on the benches at a later date designating the donor or who it may be contributed in memory of. Your

generosity will be appreciated.

Replacing the sidewalks in the community has been a very progressive undertaking. Our downtown area has a fresh new look thanks to the cooperation of the local Sidewalk Project Committee consisting of Julene Franke, Rolan Jones, Susan Schaefer and Steve Mack, and Texas Department of Transportation.

All the businesses now have handicap ramps and hand railings. The beige masonry and brown hand rails dress up the downtown section.

New street lights installed by West Texas Utilities lends modernization.

Citizens enjoy the benches provided along the sidewalks for visiting and various occasions.

Cross Plains residents are proud of the new sidewalks. This has been a positive project which resulted in wonderful improvements for the community.

## Cottonwood Historical Assoc. Meeting May 1

The Cottonwood Historical Association Annual Meeting will begin at 10:00 a.m. May 1 at the Cottonwood Community Center.

The business will include the financial report, the election of three directors, the term of Phillip Bennet, Billie Kelly and Albert Lovell will expire. Also some discussion of the two historical buildings that the association own.

Following the business meeting Dr. Lou Rodenberger will be our morning speaker. Lou is well known in this area. She is the daughter of Mabel Halsell and the late Carl Halsell. She and her husband, Charles, live in a beautiful home about five miles north of Cottonwood.

The noon lunch will be at 12 noon. The association will furnish the barbecue, bread, ice and tea. Each family is asked to bring a salad, vegetable, or dessert, also bring old photos and memories.

After lunch Clint Kniffen and a group of musicians from Clyde will entertain. Clint is well known in Cottonwood area. He and his group play at most of the Cottonwood quilting club musicals.

All Cottonwood area residents and former residents have a special invitation to attend.

Cross Plains  
Junior High &  
High School  
Awards Ceremony  
Wed., May 5  
10:00 a.m.  
New Gymnasium  
Everyone Welcome!

## Nixon Benefit Meeting To Be Held May 4

Organizers of the Leon Nixon Benefit will meet again Tuesday, May 4, at Jean's Feed Barn. If you plan on eating being there at 6:30 p.m. and the meeting will commence at 7:00 p.m. Anyone who would like to help with the benefit is welcome to attend.

A family day of activities is planned for Saturday, May 15, including food; motivational speaker, Jon Randles; personalities such as Prairie Dog Mascot Grounder and more; live music; a silent auction; and drawings for prizes. The festivities will begin at 10:00 a.m. and conclude around 4:00 p.m.

Anyone who would like to donate items for the silent auction or door prize, may call Kim Woerner at (254) 725-7570. Your generosity will be greatly appreciated.

See NIXON page 7

## Annual BFI Spring Cleanup Sat., May 8

By BILLY HARRIS  
Special Writer

The Annual BFI Spring Cleanup for the City of Cross Plains is scheduled for Saturday, May 8th.

BFI will not pick up anything considered to be hazardous waste, tires, batteries, concrete, steel or appliances containing refrigerant that has not been professionally removed.

Residents need to have disposable items at curbside prior to BFI's run on May 8th.

## Three Cross Plains Officials Disagree With Testimony Description

By Billy Harris  
Special Correspondent

CROSS PLAINS—Three Cross Plains officials disagreed with the description of their testimony during the punishment phase of Cory Lee Switzer's trial that ran in last week's Cross Plains Review and Baird Banner.

In the previous article it was stated that several persons testified, including Cross Plains Schools Superintendent Jackie Tennon, Cross Plains City Judge Bob Hill, and Cross Plains Police Chief Don Gosnell, among others, who asked the court to assess a probated sentence with no incarceration. All three men said that the statement was not an accurate statement about their testimony.

Mr. Tennon said, in a telephone interview, that when he was asked by prosecuting attorney Allen Wright if Boot Camp would do Cory any good, "I don't really know what a boot camp is, so I can't really answer that." He said he was also asked about the amount of damage, "About one million dollars," and if there were any unreplaceable personal items lost in the fire, "Yes there was."

"We just want it (the school burning) closed and go on with our lives," Tennon said.

Bob Hill said, "I wanted to make a statement and Wright (the Callahan County Attorney) told me to answer yes or no, when he asked me if Cory should go to a boot camp and I said no." "The statement I was going to make was 'I think Cory could handle it (boot camp) fine physically, but I don't know how it would effect him mentally.'"

Don Gosnell said he told the court that "Cory doesn't have a bad attitude and is basically a good kid." "The only dealings I've had with him previous to the fire were traffic

violations," added Gosnell.

The phone conversations with all three Cross Plains men pretty well matched the transcript of the trial, that was studied after this disagreement was brought to light. None of them really asked for probation, but none of them recommended the boot camp either.

At the start of the trial Sam Moore, attorney for Cory Switzer, told Judge John Weeks that he would present testimony regarding the necessity of the boot camp before probation was considered for Cory. Gosnell and Hill were called to the stand by Moore and Tennon was called by Wright.

Wright assumed that if the witnesses didn't recommend the boot camp, that they were recommending probation, which prompted the wording in last week's article.

In closing statements, according to the trial transcript, Wright said the state recommended a boot camp program and \$10,000 restitution be assessed for the offense.

Moore requested the court not to require Cory to go to the boot camp. Moore said he understood Allen's position because of the great loss (the burning of the high school) to the community (Cross Plains), and because of what it did to the people.

Based on a plea of no contest, the Court found Cory guilty of the offense of arson and assessed punishment at 8 years confinement in the Institutional Division of the Texas Department of Criminal Justice and ordered him to pay a thousand dollar fine. The first portion of the sentence will be served in the State Alternative to Incarceration Program, also known as boot camp.

The judge explained to Switzer that, if he does fine, he will be down there (in boot camp) for 75 days and then reappear before the court for a decision on the remainder of his sentence.

## School Board Election to be held May 1

The Cross Plains I.S.D. Board of Trustee Election will be held Saturday, May 1, at the Cross Plains Community Center on Beech Street between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m.

The terms of Monty Richards and Rex Beggs are expiring. Both are seeking re-election to three year terms. Dr. Scott Childress is seeking his first term on the board.

Barbara J. Sowell will be serving as election judge.

Remember to vote for the candidate of your choice on Saturday.

## EDC to sponsor booth at Western Heritage Classic

The Cross Plains Economic Development Corporation is sponsoring a booth at the Western Heritage Classic May 8 in Abilene. This booth is available to any business in the Cross Plains area, at no charge to the local business. This is the second year that the EDC has sponsored this booth, last year three local businesses participated. In addition to showcasing local businesses, the booth will also have information about Cross Plains events. If your organization would like to provide information to be distributed at the booth or your business is interested in taking advantage of this booth please contact Denise Coulter at (254) 725-6397.

## 37th Annual Garden Show Sun., May 2

The Cross Plains Garden Club will present its "37th Annual Standard Flower Show" on Sunday, May 2nd from 1 to 5 p.m. at The Back Room, 216 N. Main in Cross Plains. Everyone is cordially invited to attend. See you there!

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## COURTHOUSE NEWS

### Cross Timbers Southern Baptist Association Evangelism Rally

"Hope in Christ" is the theme of the Association Evangelism Rally, May 6, at Nimrod Baptist Church. The church is located south of Cisco - Hwy. 206, turn west on FM 569. Pastor Bill Armstrong invites everyone to attend.

Executive Board and WMU meetings begin at 5:30 p.m. Supper will be served at 6:00. Everyone bring a covered dish.

The evening session will begin at 7:00 p.m. Mike and Karen Anderson of Brownwood will bring the special music. Gary Ward, pastor of Rocky Point Baptist Church, Stephenville, will be preaching.

Cross Timbers Southern Baptist Association is a family of 14 churches and missions located in Brown, Callahan, Comanche, Eastland, Stephens and Taylor counties.

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### Promise Helpers Women's Ministry Luncheon And Prayer Conference

Promise Helpers invites you to attend this conference designed to train and equip women to effectively pray for and minister to others. Speakers will be Dr. Virginia C. Armstrong of Texas Eagle Forum, Linda Phillips of Humiston of Decatur, Illinois, Barbara Hallmark and Peggy Knowles of Abilene.

Clyde, Texas is where Promise Helpers began. Founded by Glenda Garrison of Clyde, Promise Helpers has other chapters in Merkel and Weatherford, Tx.

This is an opportunity to learn more about Promise Helpers Women's Ministry and how to begin a chapter in your area. Promise Helpers is a non-profit Christian ministry for women that seeks to help women experience the fullness of God's purpose and promises for them. The central activity of Promise Helpers is women ministering to women—declaring God's promises and prayer. Promise Helpers feels the urgency to inform women of the need to pray for our nation, marriages and children. As a result, Promise Helpers has planned this Prayer Conference and Workshop to teach us how to pray.

The conference and luncheon will be held at the Embassy Suites Hotel, Abilene, Texas, Saturday, May 1, 1999. Registration is at 8:30, cost is \$15.00. Early registration is \$20.00, after April 23, 1999 and includes lunch. For more information call 915-893-3694 or 1-888-846-3750 (toll free).

Submitted by Promise Helpers

### Selected Scriptures

Let your tender mercies come to me, that I may live; for your law is my delight.

Psalms 119:77

...Jesus...said to him, 'Go home to your friends, and tell them what great things the Lord has done for you, and how he has had mercy on you.' St. Mark 5:19

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### Turner Chester Simpson

Turner Chester Simpson, 85, died Saturday, April 24, 1999, at Abilene Regional Medical Center.

Services were held at 10:30 a.m. Monday and Higginbotham Chapel with T.C. Melton officiating and Bro. Jesse Bigbee assisting. Burial was in Cottonwood Cemetery under the direction of Higginbotham Funeral Home of Cross Plains.

Mr. Simpson was born March 10, 1914, in Eastland County. He married Ellen Wilcoxon October 15, 1933, in Abilene. He worked for the Department of Highway and Transportation and was a member of Mitchell Baptist Church of Cisco.

Survivors include his wife, Ellen Simpson, of Cottonwood; three sons and daughters-in-law, Vernon and Shirley Simpson of Giddings; Marion and Glenda Simpson of Abilene; Paul and Adele Simpson of Claremore, Oklahoma; three brothers, Melvin Simpson of Fort Worth, Burley Simpson of Las Vegas, Nevada, and Glenn Simpson of Houston; six grandchildren and 11 great-grandchildren.

### Eula V. Bryant

STEPHENVILLE—Eula V. Bryant, 85, died Thursday, April 22, 1999, in a local nursing home.

Graveside services were held at 2 p.m. Saturday in the West End Cemetery with Bob Pipes, minister of Cross Plains Church of Christ, officiating, directed by Stephenville Funeral Home.

Mrs. Bryant was born in Loudon County, Tennessee on April 15, 1914, to Will and Martha Bryant. She had lived in Stephenville since 1990, moving there from Austin. She was a Baptist.

She was preceded in death by her parents, three sisters and one brother. One sister was the late Mrs. Ed Petty of Cross Plains.

Survivors include one niece, Celia Belew and husband, Hubert, and one nephew, Eddy "Bud" Petty and wife, Dorothy, all of Cross Plains.

### Albert Woodrow 'Woody' Hill

CISCO—Albert Woodrow "Woody" Hill, 81, of the Atwell Community died Saturday, April 24, 1999, at his home.

Services were held at 2 p.m. Tuesday at Kimbrough Funeral Home Chapel with the Rev. Gene Keige officiating, assisted by the Rev. Bill Armstrong. Burial was in Scranton Cemetery.

Mr. Hill was born in Spur and was a carpenter and a member of Faith Baptist Church. He was a Navy veteran of World War II. He married Estelle Poe in 1940 in Post.

Survivors include his wife, of Atwell; one son, Woodrow Hill Jr. of Breckenridge; one daughter, Brenda Rivard of Atwell; two sisters, Opal Johnson of Stone Mountain, Georgia, and Odell Sheppard of Dallas; three grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

### Mattie Geraldine Keith

DUBLIN—Mattie Geraldine Keith, 78, died Friday, April 23, 1999, in a DeLeon hospital.

Services were held at 2 p.m. Sunday at the Highland Baptist Church with the Rev. David Locke officiating. Burial was in Round Grove Cemetery, directed by Harrell Funeral Home of Dublin.

Mrs. Keith was born in Paint Rock. She was the widow of Steve Eli Keith Jr., whom she married in Erath County in 1940. She was a member of the Highland Baptist Church.

Survivors include four sons, Harold Dean Keith of Carbon, William Cleavie Keith of Garland, Jerry Lee Keith of Stephenville, and Frank Keith of Dublin; one daughter, Teresa Lawless of Rising Star; two brothers, George W. Fisher of Glen Rose and David Fisher of Proctor; two sisters, Mary Garrett of Weatherford and Claudie Shelton of Stephenville; nine grandchildren; and nine great-grandchildren.

### FSA Expands Preferred Lender Program Implemented February 12

WASHINGTON, D.C.—The Farm Service Agency (FSA) has relaxed the standard for lender participation in the Preferred Lender Program (PLP), according to Congressman Charlie Stenholm. The PLP streamlines the process under which agriculture loans are reviewed and approved.

The PLP was implemented on February 12 and required a lender to have made 30 agriculture loans in three years to be eligible to participate in the program. Under this rule, only 238 lenders nationwide would have been eligible.

Stenholm has been critical of the strict eligibility requirements and encouraged FSA to relax the lender requirement.

"The PLP is designed to allow lenders to make loans to eligible borrowers without unnecessary and burdensome government regulations," said Stenholm. "The goal is to streamline the paperwork requirements for as many producers and lenders as possible."

**CP CROSS PLAINS PUBLIC LIBRARY NEWS**

LAP Parents: We hope you have received your invitations for the LAP finale on Thursday evening, April 29. Please come. Your children know the library as a happy place to come and hopefully they have enjoyed checking out books. Help them continue the "library habit."

Summer Program: Students in grades K-6 can plan to come to the summer reading program from June 16-July 21. Leslie Lawrence is planning a great program. Reminders will in the Cross Plains Review and on posters in stores. Watch for advertising.

Statistics:  
Cross Plains Books: 49  
Abilene Books: 6  
Audio Cassettes: 5  
"Learn About..." Program: 120  
Interlibrary Loan: 1  
Total: 181

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### COUNTY COURT Roger Corn presiding

#### Misdemeanor Minutes

Victor Lee Cruz, motion dismissed to revoke probation.

Tammy Jasso, theft of property by check, \$167 court costs, 60 days in jail.

Douglas Cooper Galloway, minor in possession of alcoholic beverage and driving under the influence, \$150 fine \$126.25 court costs.

Darnell Eugene Montague, motion filed to revoke probation.

Victor Cruz, charges dismissed on possession of marijuana and drug paraphernalia.

#### MARRIAGE LICENSE

Pepper Diane Hayes, Eastland, Billy Dewayne Barrett, Clyde.

### 42nd DISTRICT COURT John Weeks presiding

#### Civil Filings

Estate of Esther Leggett, contested probate.

Estate of Ellen Hicks, contested probate.

Eric Rogers vs Estate of Luther Rogers, contested probate.

Pride Refining vs Twin Mountain Fence Co., damages; personal property.

Divorce filed: Johnson, Tesha Ralene & Michael Lee.

#### Courthouse News Correction

Correction: A listing in last week's Courthouse News was incorrect. The listing under Felony Minutes, incorrectly stated:

Sharla Williams, probation revoked; sentenced to 120 days in jail.

The listing should have stated: Sharla Williams, tampering with a governmental record; \$100 fine, pay court costs, \$1,959 restitution, 3 years probation.

The Clyde Journal, Baird Banner and Cross Plains Review regret the error.

### Scranton Community Musical Saturday, May 1

The monthly musical will be Saturday, May 1 at the Scranton Community Center. All musicians are invited to play. We have been having large crowds and lots of musicians. Musicians may call 915/692-2057 to reserve a time. Mark Ray will emcee. The kitchen will open at 5:30 serving a special of enchiladas, beans and salad. Area residents are encouraged to contribute sandwiches and pies. It is appreciated! Joanie and Hugh Shrader will be operating the kitchen. We look forward to seeing you. Several people contribute to the success of this musical, a special thanks goes to George and Wanda Hull of Eastland for coming to clean the center before every musical. The new air conditioners should be ready to be put to use, if needed. See you Saturday.

### Brazos G Regional Water Planning Group Meeting Monday May 3

The Brazos G Regional Water Planning Group will hold its next regularly scheduled meeting on Monday, May 3 beginning at 9:30 a.m. The meeting will be held in Waco at the Waco Convention Center, 100 Washington Ave. The Brazos G Regional Water Planning Group is responsible for developing a water plan for the thirty-seven counties represented in the region.

HDR Engineering, Inc., primary consultant in developing the Region's water plan, will be making presentations on the projected water and population demands of the region. This is the first step in making comparisons of the water demands and supplies. From these projections the Brazos G Regional Water Planning Groups will learn where to concentrate their efforts in developing the region's water plan.

The agenda allows for public comments and questions; public participation is encouraged.

### Callahan County DPS Report

Calls received by the Callahan County Department of Public Safety from April 18, 1999 through April 24, 1999 include:

#### Cases Investigated

Warnings-58  
Complaints-83  
Possession of marijuana-1  
Driving while license suspended-1

#### Vehicle Accidents

There was one vehicle accident investigated during this time span.

#### People Arrest On Outstanding Warrants

There were three outstanding warrants issued for a total of \$1,162.00

## CHURCH SERVICES

### FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

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

Wayne Lenz - Pastor 725-4577 • Jason Kempf - Youth & Music Minister

### UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

9TH & AVE. D CROSS PLAINS  
WORSHIP SERVICE ..... 9:30 A.M.  
BIBLE CLASS ..... 10:30 A.M.

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### COTTONWOOD BAPTIST CHURCH

Sunday School ..... 9:45 a.m.  
Morning Worship ..... 11:00 a.m.  
Evening Service ..... 6:00 p.m.  
Wednesday Bible Study & Prayer Time ..... 7:00 p.m.

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Sunday Mass:  
8:30 a.m. Holy Rosary ..... F St. at 12th ..... Cisco, Texas  
10:00 a.m. St. Rita (Rectory) ..... 1109 Blackwell Rd. ..... Ranger, Texas  
10:00 a.m. \* St. Francis (Spanish) ..... 806 S. Halbryan ..... Eastland, Texas  
11:30 a.m. St. John ..... Hickory Street ..... Strawn, Texas  
Pastor: Fr. Vincent B. Inametti (254) 647-3167  
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Worship - 10:45 a.m.  
Dr. Richard Chaffin, Pastor

Sunday Sermon  
"Only One Thing Is Needed"

# NEWS

By  
**LINDA MERRITT**  
Activity Director

Everyone enjoyed some fine music and singing during our residents birthday party. We had the honor and the privilege of having the "Singing Grannies" from Holiday Hill Care Center in Coleman. These ladies were Edna Tisdale, Opal Duke, Zellie Dixon, Lela Brown, Sally Taylor, Jeanie Greaves, Frankie Triplett, Martha Jackson, Barbara Dykes, Pearly Horne and Gracie Jennings. Guitar player was Bill Evans, treed steaver sign language PT coordinator, Sylvia Molina Activity Director and Marie Jackson Assistant. They were wonderful. Keep up the good work Grannies.

Our love and prayers for Alpha Wilson on the loss of her brother-in-law Turner Simpson.

A warm welcome for our new resident Zelda Milam.

Appreciation to Thelma Long for the large print Reader's Digest books and to Merilyn Golson for the delicious biscuits.

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

Violet Edwards from Cisco visited Lillie Childers.

Lou Jones from Eastland - our Ombudsman.

Charlous Cowan and Lurene

McNutt visited with Louise Richardson.

Carl Milam from Odessa visited Zelda Milam.

Brenton and Byran McNutt and Michael Ingram were here visiting everyone.

Shelli Hartman from Bakersfield visited Hazel McCoy.

Activities during the week were:  
**Monday:** Bingo winners were Vera Belyeu, Minnie Swann, Alpha Wilson, Louise Richardson, Maxine Crisp and Howet Wilson (2). Exercise class and Skip-Bo games.

**Tuesday:** Art class. Sing-a-long with Bob Wallace and Hadley Stuart. Popcorn social.

**Wednesday:** Bingo winners were Hazel McCoy, Howet Wilson (2), Vera Belyeu, Ruby Harrell (2) and Maxine Crisp. Exercise class.

**Thursday:** Bingo winners were Minnie Swann, Howet Wilson, Hazel McCoy, Vera Belyeu (2), Falba Shofner, Ruby Harrell and Louise Richardson. Ball toss and Dominoes.

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

**Sunday:** Pioneer Pentecostal  
**It's the small acts of kindness that so greatly touch our lives.**

## Clips, Quips & Comments

By KAY DENNIS MOSLEY

"Best, Guessed, Guest"  
We've been doing a little gardening lately. Doing some transplanting from one flower bed to the other. Bought a few new plants while we were visiting in Lubbock, planning to set them out tomorrow if the weather permits. We bought a new color of pansy there, pink which I made note of last year but hadn't had any luck finding in the Big Country area. Bought a couple of herbs also while we were there. We also had a new start of some herbs given us by garden club members, we'd had them before but had lost them.

After Easter we did some extra curricular work in our herb garden.

We have something new at our place also which we are greatly excited about.

Last summer, while our grandson, Zach, was visiting with us Marvin gave him a project to do. Design and build a new birdhouse. Zach did and he and Marvin mounted it on a cedar post in the side flower bed! Surprise, surprise, just about the first of March we acquired an inhabitant in that particular little birdhouse.

Yep, he "guessed" it, the sweetest little bird you'd see. The sweetest little song has become our "guest". Evidently, spring brings out the "best" in us all.

In Grandson Zachary is 11 now and when we visited them in March, he had his own computer with mouse and was making his own business cards and greeting cards, in living color yet!

Zach has a little sister named Summer. We arrived for our visit in Summer's birthday, March 5. She became all of 2 years old on that very day.

We're hoping that next summer, when she turns three years old Summer can come down and stay a week with us. Then she and her cousin, Paige who will turn 3 years old next February 14 can play together.

After all, Summer's brother Zach has spent at least a part of each summer with us, since we moved here in 1992.

Cross Plains is his very favorite place to visit each summer.

## PIONEER NEWS

By PIONEER QUILTING CLUB

Jean Fore had her brother and sister, Paul and Vi Harlow, from Lovington, New Mexico as house guest recently.

Oliver and Frankie attended the musical at Cottonwood Friday night. Jean and her company attended also.

Oliver and Frankie visited her aunt, Ruby Ainsworth, in Ranger Saturday. Then they attended the musical at Brownwood Lake Saturday night. Oliver and Frankie attended the Senior Citizen's Banquet Monday night. It was very nice!

Jenessa Hutton celebrated her 6th birthday with a family party. She

had a beautiful "doll" cake. Everyone had a great time.

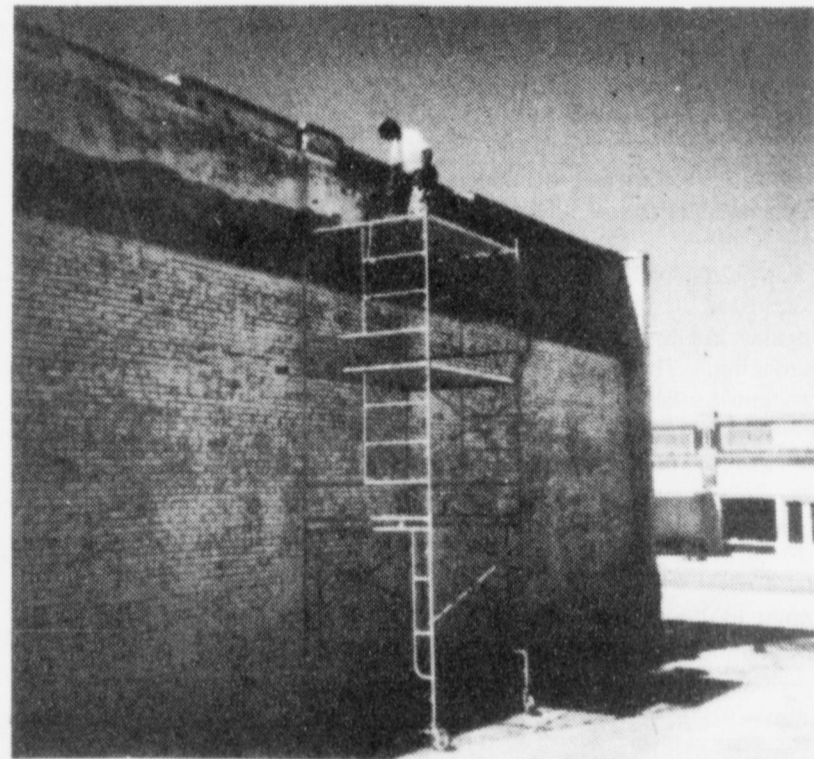
The quilting ladies did get Jean Alexander's antique quilt out late Tuesday. It was beautiful. It is a reminder of the beautiful person, Della Browning, who pieced it. We are quilting on Cody's quilt and Trish's "Rail Fence" quilt.

The "domino group" had a good number out Thursday night. They had lots of fun. Next meeting will be May 6. Everyone is invited.

**Words of Wisdom #74:** Every man can tell how many goats or sheep he possesses, but not how many friends. Cicero

## GREETINGS FROM YOUR SENIOR CITIZENS

By RON RICCI



SENIOR CITIZENS CENTER WALL BEING RESTORED — Ron McCowen is shown removing the old plaster in preparation for resurfacing the wall.

On Monday, April 19, we hosted our 1st Annual Volunteers Appreciation Banquet. The attendance was great! We had over 100 guests. The menu was brisket, potato salad, beans, corn bread, banana pudding and drinks. Door prizes were awarded. You could be eligible for prizes next year by volunteering -- never mind the volunteering you will get from helping seniors and shut-ins.

If you haven't noticed, the north side of the Senior Citizens Center is being repaired thanks to Ron McCowen. He received the bid for \$1,000 less than other contractors.

We appreciate his dedication and concern for our seniors. He is many years away from being a senior, but regularly attends our lunches and volunteers to do dishes and anything else needed.

All of us appreciate his unselfish efforts, cheerful personality and great attitude which really has an impact on the lives of our seniors. He helps me greatly entertain and attend to their daily needs. Thanks a bunch. From Ron to Ron!

## SENIOR CITIZEN'S MENU

MAY 3 - MAY 7

**MONDAY**—Creole chicken w/ celery, rice, spinach, lemon pudding, bread and milk.

**TUESDAY**—Lasagna, garden salad, green beans, apple crisp, garlic sticks, crackers and milk.

**WEDNESDAY**—Ham & pinto beans, mixed greens, pickled beets, pineapple, cornbread and milk.

**THURSDAY**—Baked chicken w/ gravy, broccoli, new potatoes, pears w/ gelatin, bread and milk.

**FRIDAY**—Baked fish, coleslaw, baked beans, white cake w/ chocolate icing, hushpuppies and milk.

## COTTONWOOD NEWS

By  
**BEVERLY BROWN**

The Cottonwood Historical Association Meeting will be held this Saturday, May 1 in the Cottonwood Community Center. The business meeting will be held at 10 a.m. with the noon meal following. The association is furnishing barbecue beef and sausages, please bring covered dishes to go with the meal. We are looking forward to seeing and with residents of the community. We cordially invite all the new residents of Cottonwood to attend and get acquainted with your neighbors.

We want to take this opportunity to express our sincere sympathy to the family of Turner C. Simpson in the loss of their husband, father and grandfather. Mr. Simpson passed away on Saturday, April 24. Funeral

services were held at 10:30 a.m. on Monday, April 26 in the Higginbotham Funeral Home Chapel in Cross Plains and the interment was at the Cottonwood Cemetery. We are greatly saddened in the loss of our special loved friend and will miss him greatly.

The turn out for clean up day was small in number. We must tell you that you missed out on a great meal at noon. Thanks to a very special lady, Mrs. Clara McInnis, who furnished a cooked meal for those who worked and stayed for dinner.

Mrs. Wanda Hammell of Shertz and grandson, Jason of Idaho, visited recently with her sisters and families, Mary Ella Weaver, Dena and Bill Nickerson, Sr., Billie and Bill Kelly and Herman and Mary Weaver.

## The Way It Was

By CLARA NELL SPENCER

Just Us

**TOMMIE KATE**  
Tommye Kate Mayes was a nice girl, a good student. She was more mature than the rest of us as she was two years older.

She married Floyd Halbert in 1934. They were later divorced. She married Charles Campbell, and they had two children, Kenny and Sylvia. They moved to New Mexico and never returned to Cross Plains to live. Her relatives in Cross Plains are all deceased and she has no communication with any of the "Just Us" Club.

**CLARA NELL "SITTER"**  
Clara Nell "Sitter" McDermett was born to Hugh and Anne Garrett McDermett, June 5, 1917. She was a "good ole' girl," didn't drink, smoke, and loved her little sister, even though she was the uninvited guest wherever "Pearle" (what she called her big sister) went. The "Just Us" girls thought she was a growth on Pearle's arm. But they all really loved her, too. Sitter knew both sides of the coin, great joy and great sorrow. She wrote these biographies of the "Just Us" girls.

She is a survivor!  
I dedicate these stories to my darling children, Susan, Bo and Sissy.  
Clara Nell McDermett, October, 1996

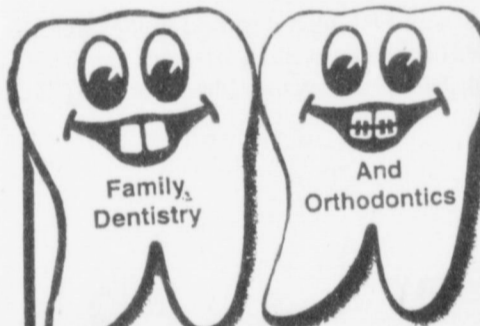
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### Town Meeting Mon., May 10

A town meeting will be held Monday, May 10, 1999, to update the Cross Plains community on the progress that has been made in the past year on the goals set in March 1998. This meeting will be held at 7 p.m. at the Cross Plains Community Center. Please place this important meeting on your calendar now and plan to attend.

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## BREAKTHRU

By Bob Pipes, preacher  
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Richard Shelly Taylor, in his book entitled *The Disciplined Life*, says "discipline is what moderns need the most and want the least." As a result, young people run away from home, students quit school, husbands and wives seek divorce, church members neglect services, employees walk off the job -- and all of this because of trying to escape responsibility and discipline. The true motive is often camouflaged by "a hundred and one" excuses, but behind the flimsy front of excuses is the reality of things -- aversion to discipline.

Some people rely completely on inflicted discipline, that is, being disciplined by others. As long as someone is watching over them, all's fine, but let the boss turn his back or let Mother and Dad leave the house and it's a different story! It's the difference in being disciplined by a time clock or a "bird dogging" boss or "the all seeing eye watching you," and being self-disciplined.

Self-discipline will allow the maturing teen to conduct himself or herself properly whether Mom and Dad are present or not. Yes, self-discipline is the kind of discipline needed -- and it takes courage and perseverance to have it. We must penetrate the shallowness of our culture and society, and listen again to and follow the plan of the Real Man who said "No!" when only the devil seemed to be present and watching. But just as with Him, the heavenly Father is always "listening in..."

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.

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# C.P. STUDENT REVIEW

## PRE-K

Pre-K and Kindergarten screening will be conducted Tuesday, May 4 at Cross Plains Elementary School. Please call the Elementary Principal's office at 725-6123 to make an appointment for your child. The screening will take about sixty minutes. Each student's hearing, vision, speech, motor skills, language ability, and developmental growth will be evaluated at this time. Parents will be given a report on their children's progress at the time of the screening.

Parents are reminded that to enter school in Texas, the student must have a state approved birth certificate and a current immunization record.

**Immunizations Requirements:**  
**Hepatitis B** - 3 doses, by age 4;  
**DTaP** - 4 doses with one on or after 4th birthday;  
**Haemophilus Influenza Type B** - 1 dose on/after 15 months unless a series is completed @ 12 months;  
**Polio** - 3+ doses with one on or after 4th birthday;  
**Measles** - 2 doses on/after 1st birthday;  
**Rubella** - 1 dose on/after 1st birthday;  
**Mumps** - 1 dose on/after 1st birthday;  
**Vaericella** - 1 dose by age 4

Please bring birth certificate, immunization record, and social security number at the time of registering.

Early childhood screening will be conducted at the same time as regular Pre-K and Kindergarten screening. The early childhood program is to help those children age 3-6 who show to be developmentally delayed or handicapped in any way.

**Estimado Padre o Guardian:**  
 El Distrito Escolar Independiente de Cross Plains ofrecera un programa de pre-kindergarten si hay quince niños que cualifiquen para tal servicio. Para poder ser elegible para este programa, un estudiante debe tener al menos cuatro años de edad y satisfacer por lo menos uno de los siguientes requisitos:

- incapacidad de hablar y entender ingles
- desventajas educacionales
- sin hogar
- si usted cree que su niño(a) o un niño(a) que usted conozca satisfice uno o mas de estos requisitos, por favor se comunica con la escuela.

Sinceramente,  
 Margie Sowell  
 Director de la Escuela

## C.P. Junior High District Tennis Results Announced

By COACH MACK MCCONAL

Cross Plains Junior High tennis players were in Santa Anna Saturday, April 24 for district junior high tennis.

The weather was cool with a light misty rain falling, but the tournament was never stopped.

Many team members parents were present and a good time was enjoyed by everyone.

The results were as follows:

### Girls Singles

S. McClure beat by Evant (2-8) 3rd place; beat B. Dillard from Cross Plains (8-5)

B. Dillard beat Santa Anna (8-2) lost to Santa Anna (4-8) lost to S. McClure (5-8) won 4th place

### A Boys Singles

C. Koenig lost to Santa Anna (4-8) beat N. Joy of Cross Plains (8-5) won 3rd place

N. Joy lost to Santa Anna (2-8) lost to C. Koenig won 4th place

### Girls Doubles

Hyles/Hyles lost to Evant (2-8) beat Foster/Galloway of Cross Plains (9-8) won 3rd place

Foster/Galloway lost to Santa Anna (0-8) won 4th place

### B Boys Singles

D. Dickson lost to Santa Anna (5-8) beat Evant (9-8) won 3rd place

### Boys Doubles

Wooten/Taff lost to Santa Anna (0-8) lost to Harris/Sliger (2-8) won 4th place

Harris/Sliger lost to Santa Anna (0-8) beat Wooten/Taff (8-2) won 3rd place

Girls were in a 3-way tie for 1st place team trophy.

This concludes our junior high tennis for this year.

## School Board to Meet Tuesday, May 4th

The Board of Trustees of the Cross Plains ISD will meet at 8:00 p.m. Tuesday, May 4 at the Cross Plains High School. The purpose of this meeting is to canvass the votes for school board election.

## Five Juniors Honored

ABILENE—The Hardin-Simmons University Enrollment Services Office held its annual "Gold Carpet" banquet recently to honor the top five juniors from high schools in the Region XIV Education Service Center area.

Students honored at the banquet from Cross Plains High School were Brandi Richey, Vanessa Webb, Mary Jo Nickerson, Christina Beaty and Jodi Payne.

## Regional Qualifier Meet

By COACH MIKE CAVENDER

On Thursday the Lady Buffs traveled to Graham to participate in the Regional warm-up meet. The competition was very tough ranging from Class A to 4A. The mile relay team ran its fastest time of the year putting us in a great position going into the regionals.

**Shot put** - Amber Wilson 33' 5"

**Discus** - Candice Francy 108' 1"

**High jump** - Laura Ricci 5' 2"

**100 hurdles** - Brandi Richey 15.30

**300 hurdles** - Brandi Richey 47.3

**800 relay** - Jodi Payne, Shena Thomas, Meghann Lewis, Laura Ricci 1:52.8

**1600 relay** - Laura Ricci, Jodi Payne, Meghann Lewis, Brandi Richey 4:14.8

**Boys Results**

**800 run** - Nicholas Dimitri 2:09.1

## Band Trip This Weekend

By TODD FELTY  
 Band Director

The Cross Plains High School Band will be traveling to South Padre Island the weekend of April 30, to participate in the DC Festivals Gulf Coast Showcase of Music. We are proud to be representing both our school and community in this event, which will be comprised of some of the finest bands from around the country.

Trips like this provide students with an educational experience that is not easy to find elsewhere. Besides the obvious benefits of performing in a great auditorium for some of the finest judges around, students will have a chance to observe other musical groups similar to ours. They will also be able to learn the discipline and leadership that is necessary to make group travel a success.

The students and staff of the Cross Plains High School Band would like to thank the entire community for its continued support of our efforts to participate in events such as this. We would also like to invite you to the Spring Concert to be performed in our own auditorium on Sunday, May 16 at 3 p.m.

## SCHOOL MENU

### BREAKFAST

**MONDAY**—Scrambled eggs, toast, jelly, assorted juice and milk.

**TUESDAY**—Cereal, toast, assorted juice and milk.

**WEDNESDAY**—French toast, sausage, assorted juice and milk.

**THURSDAY**—Donuts, assorted juice and milk.

**FRIDAY**—Cream of wheat, toast, assorted juice and milk.

### LUNCH

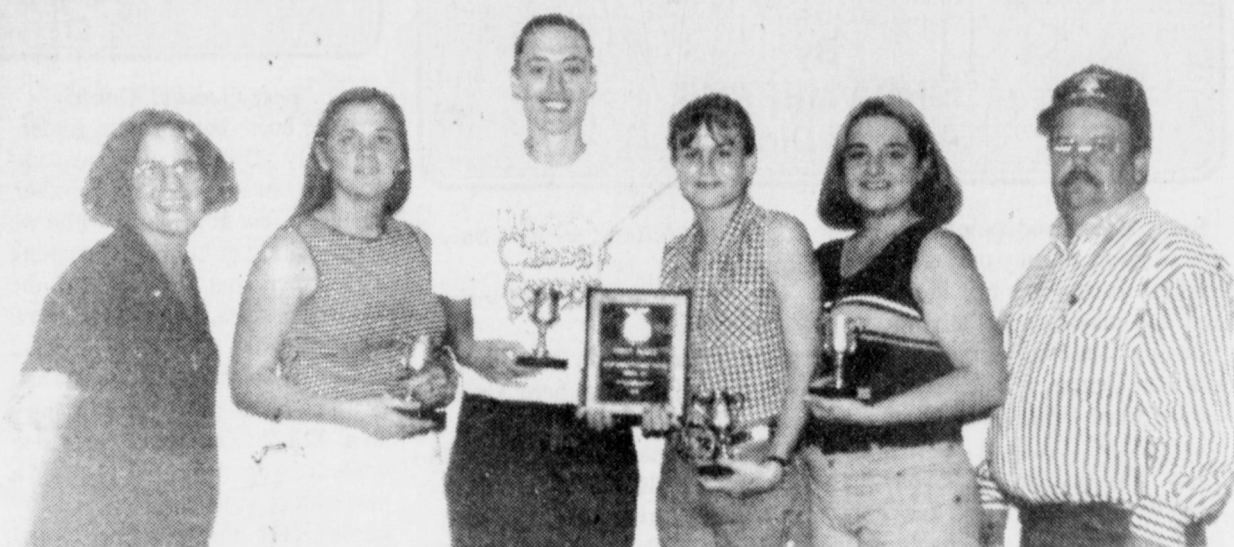
**MONDAY**—Burrito w/chili & cheese, crackers, salad, pineapples and milk.

**TUESDAY**—Oven fried chicken, scalloped potatoes, green beans, rolls, honey and milk.

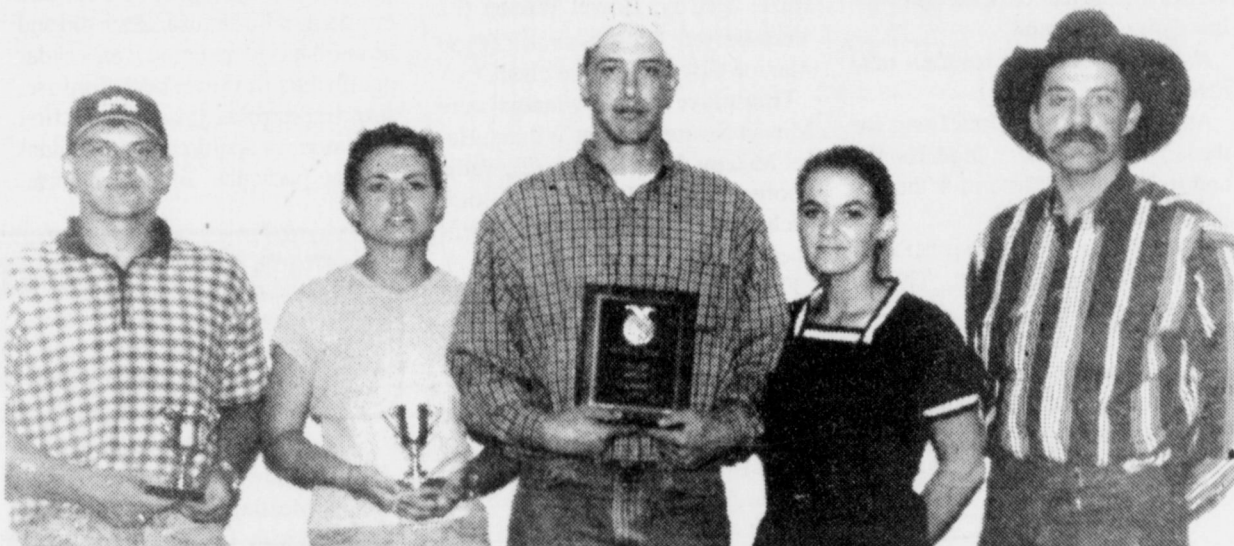
**WEDNESDAY**—Fiesta salad, (chili beans, corn chips, cheese, rice, salad), apricots and milk.

**THURSDAY**—Chicken spaghetti, peas & carrots, garlic sticks, peaches and milk.

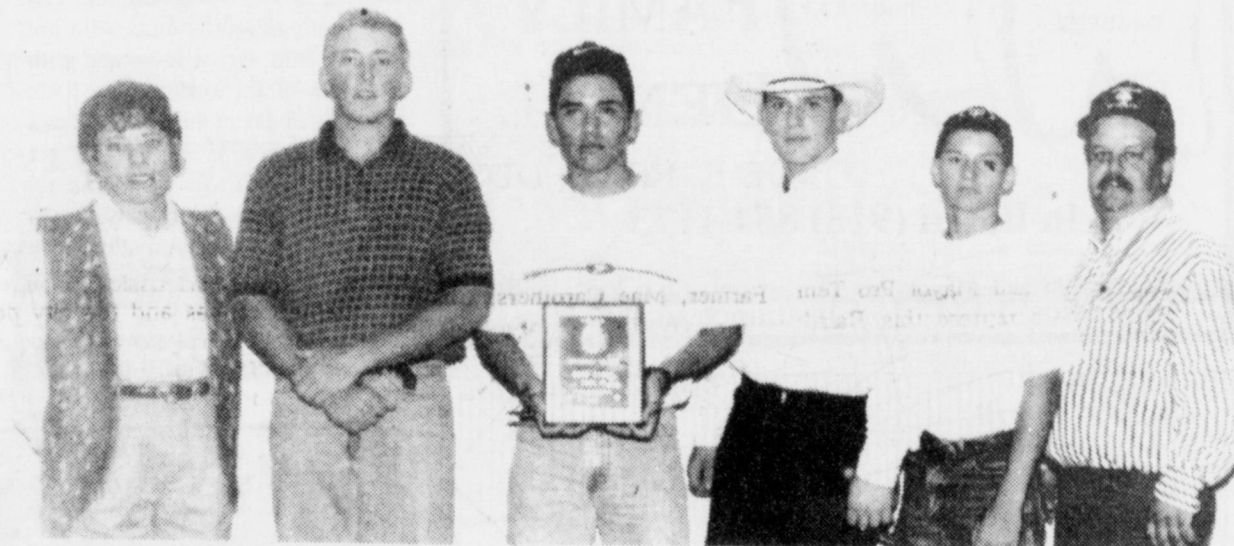
**FRIDAY**—Hamburger, lettuce, tomato, pickles, fries, cookie and milk.



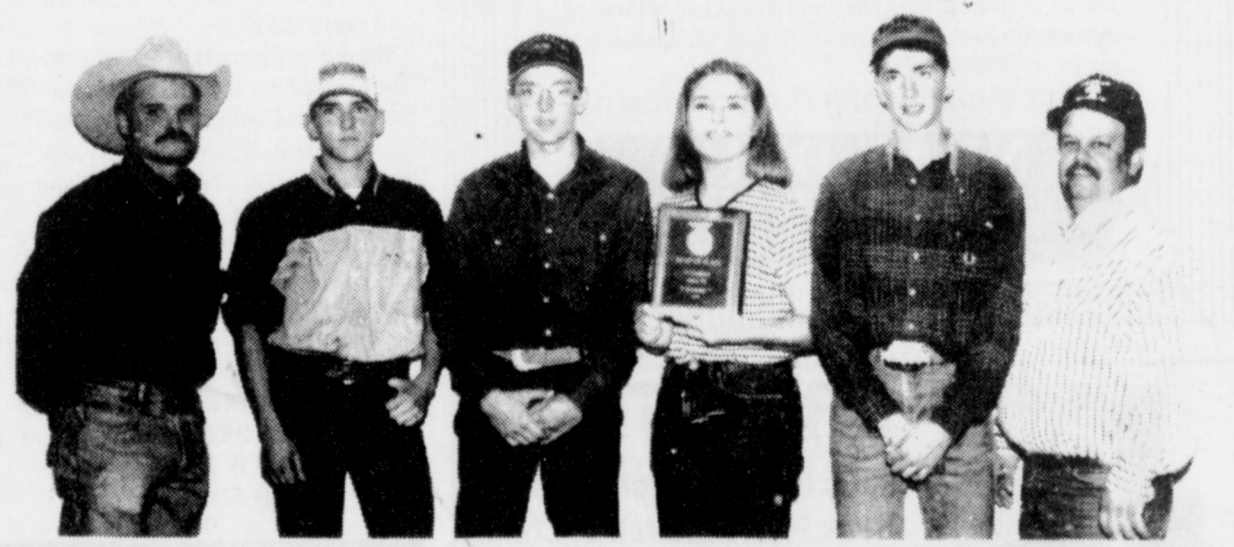
**CROSS PLAINS DAIRY FOODS**—Students from the Cross Plains High School FFA claimed first place in the Area IV Dairy Foods judging contests held recently at Tarleton State University. Included on the team were (second from left) Mary Jo Nickerson (top high individual), Laura Ricci (second high individual), Brandi Richey (third high individual), Stephanie Castleberry (fourth high individual) and sponsor Roy Richey. At far left is Connie Fox, Tarleton faculty member and contest director. (TSU News Service photo)



**CROSS PLAINS POULTRY**—Students from the Cross Plains High School FFA placed second in the Area IV poultry judging contests held recently at Tarleton State University. Included on the team were Sam Nixon (fourth high individual), Jolena Fleming (fifth high individual), Zach Edington, Amanda Dillard and sponsor Marc Morgan. (TSU News Service photo)



**CROSS PLAINS DAIRY CATTLE**—Students from the Cross Plains High School FFA placed second in the Area IV Dairy Cattle judging contests held recently at Tarleton State University. Included on the team were (second from left) Joseph Hopkins (ninth high individual), Ventura Monrreal (tenth high individual), Dusty Spencer, Josh Hopkins and sponsor Roy Richey. At far left is Dr. Sandy Johnson, Tarleton faculty member and contest director. (TSU News Service photo)



**CROSS PLAINS LIVESTOCK**—The FFA livestock judging team from Cross Plains High School placed seventh in the Area IV Livestock contests held recently at Tarleton State University. Included on the team were (second from left) Nick Dimitri, T.J. Harris, Melinda Richardson, John Peters and Advisor Roy Richey. At far left is Johnny Treichel, Tarleton graduate student and contest director. (TSU News Service photo)

## To The Voters:

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**CALLAHAN COUNTY NUTRITION PROJECT EMPLOYEES** — Ron Ricci, Cross Plains Site Manager (from left), Billie Unrein, Baird Site Manager, Kim Baker, Project Director, and Arlene Sanders, Clyde Site Manager.



**CALLAHAN COUNTY NUTRITION PROJECT COOKS** — Jana Ables (from left), Nellie Palacio and Tammy Held prepare meals for Clyde, Baird and Cross Plains Senior Citizen Centers and Meals on Wheels.

**First Annual Volunteer Banquet for Callahan County Nutrition Project Well Attended**

By **KIM BAKER**  
Project Director

The volunteers of the Callahan County Nutrition Project were honored with the First Annual Volunteer Banquet on Monday, April 19, in Cross Plains. Volunteers from the Clyde, Baird and Cross Plains Senior Centers attended.

Honored guests included: Judge Roger Corn and Mayor Pro Tem Harold Hass representing Baird; Mayor Ray Purvis representing Cross Plains; the Executive Board Members of the CCNP and Meals on Wheels Rosa Hass, Wendall Farmer, James Nichols, Ray Womack and Jo Odum; Project Director Kim Baker and Site Managers, Billie Unrein, Arlene Sanders and Ron Ricci.

All enjoyed guest speaker, Walter C. Graham, employed by the City of Abilene Senior Citizens Division. Mr. Graham has been with the city since 1974. He is the recipient of a congressional appointment to the White House Conference on Aging and the high award of Distinguished Toastmaster twice.

The banquet was sponsored by CCNP, Sears, Methodist Retirement Systems, the C.S. Harnett Company and Senior Partners, a program of Abilene Regional Medical. Donations were made by HEB, Tim's Floral and Gifts, Jana Ables,

West Texas Utilities, Citizens State Bank, Hendrick Medical Center and Dairy Queen.

Door prizes were awarded as follows: \$100 to Lewis Dyer; Heart-shaped Wreath, Jeanine Elkins; Mammogram Gift Certificate, Virginia Payne; First Choice Memberships - Charles Chesshir, Lois Garrett and Rosa Hass; Coffee Mugs - Jimmielee Payne, Wendall Farmer, Mae Carothers, Charles Greenway, Lee Thornton and Bob Pipes; Umbrellas, Harold Hass; ST Partners Cookbook, Alva Key, Joseph Key; Cookbook Set, Ron McCowen, Ken Gregg, Mary Barnhill, Pauline Parsons; Sweet Ivy Plant, Lucibel Manion; \$20 Nifty Gifties from HEB, Peggy Koenig, Marie Dyer, Eula Fae Jackson, Doris Loyd, Patsy Pipes; Senior Partner T-shirts, Walter Thomason and Janice Stout; Flower Arrangements - James Strahan, Greg Turner, Francis Greenway, J.D. Moore, Maxine Leggett and Margaret Bogie.

T-shirts and certificates were given to the fine and devoted volunteers who make the program possible. These volunteers reach 12,000 congregate and deliver 10,000 Meal on Wheels.

Thank you to all who attended and to those of you who could not, we missed you and think of you dearly.

**10th Annual Club Lamb/Meat Goat Sale**

The 10th annual Club Lamb/Meat Goat Sale is scheduled for Saturday, June 12, 7:30 p.m. at the Wylie FFA Showbarn, Abilene. This sale benefits the West Texas Rehab who was the recipient of over \$19,000 raised from last year's sale. These revenues go directly into treatment services for over 17,000 patients the Rehab serves each year.

Lamb chairmen John Helmer of Merkel, Charlie Palmer of Clyde, Gaines Price of Roscoe, and Wade Stephens of Cross Plains are expecting close to 150 lambs from donors throughout Texas, Oklahoma, New Mexico, Nebraska, Missouri and Illinois for the sale this year. Jennifer Morris, goat chairman from Colorado City, expect around 75 goats to be donated from top Texas breeders. Only lambs and goats bought at this sale will be eligible for the Rehab Jackpot Show, December 11 at the Dortha Griffin Arena at the Taylor County Expo Center.

To donate a lamb or goat to the sale, call any of the chairmen or contact Danny Isbell at the Rehab Center in Abilene at 915-793-3507 or Dee Lackey at the Rehab Center in San Angelo at 915-223-6311.

**Texas First Lady Laura Bush Announced Texas Book Festival Library Awards April 22 Two Area Libraries Recognized**

AUSTIN, TX — Texas First Lady Laura Bush announced the winners of this year's Texas Book Festival Awards at the annual Texas Library Association (TLA) Conference in Dallas on Thursday, April 22, at the Dallas Convention Center, as part of the convention's General Session II.

The Texas Book Festival is the only festival of its kind that specifically serves as a fund-raiser for public libraries. The funds were raised during the third annual Texas Book Festival in Austin November 13-14, 1998, through proceeds from book sales, merchandise, the First Edition Literary Gala, the Authors Party and sponsor support. One hundred seven public libraries across the state will receive \$256,410. The grants are to be used to enhance book collections and reading programs.

Cross Plains Public Library and Clyde Public Library, both located in Callahan County, were award winners.

Approximately 47 percent of Texas public libraries applied for Texas Book Festival Library Awards for a total of 234 applications. The majority of winning libraries received grants averaging \$2,500.

The Texas Book Festival, which began in 1996, is a unique celebration of Texas authors and books, bringing together the state's premier writers for a weekend of book signings, readings and panel discussions. Over the last three years, the Texas Book Festival has

featured hundred of notable Texas authors including Larry McMurtry, Kinky Friedman, former President George Bush, David Lindsey and Sandra Brown. All events are free and open to the public.

A former librarian and teacher, Mrs. Bush actively serves as the Festival's honorary chair and a key organizer of the events. The 1996 and 1997 festivals raised \$334,000 for more than 83 Texas public libraries. The 1999 Texas Book Festival is scheduled for November 4-7 in Austin and will feature dozens of writers including Naomi Shihab Nye, Molly Ivin, Roy Blount, Jr., among others. Launched in 1998 as a way to recognize the lifetime achievements of Texas authors, the 1999 Texas Book Festival Bookend Award will honor award-winning playwright Horton Foote.

The sponsor of the Texas Book Festival is AT&T. Other important sponsors include Microsoft, the T.L.L. Temple Foundation, Austin Coca-Cola Bottling Company, former Lt. Gov. and Mrs. Bob Bullock, Dr. and Mrs. Donald Counts of Austin, H-E-B, Nations Bank, Phillip Morris Management Corporation, Scholastic, Inc., and the Susan Vaughan Foundation. Promotional sponsors are *Texas Monthly*, the *Austin American-Statesman*, KGSR 107.1, LoneStar 93 and NewsRadio 590 KLBJ.

For more information, contact the Texas Book Festival at (512) 477-4055 or visit the Texas Book Festival Web site at <http://link.tsl.state.tx.us/bookfest>.

**City Council Explains City Street Numbering In Recent Meeting**

By **Billy Harris**  
Special Writer

The Cross Plains City Council canceled the May City elections and held a discussion on street name changes and the city dog ordinance at their regular meeting on April 6th.

Due to the fact that all the incumbents, up for election in May, are unopposed there is not a need to hold an election. Edwin Weiss made a motion, seconded by Ray Womack, to cancel the May 1, 1999 election and appoint the candidate elected to the office for which he ran. The motion was approved.

Gaynell Callaway discussed that they had already reached the decision to change the street names and encouraged Callaway, and any other individuals, to meet with the council when such items are being discussed. They would be welcome to express their opinion before the decision is made.

Callaway also discussed the city's dog ordinance and stated that she felt they should either call dog owners, before the dog is taken to the Clyde dog pound, or hold the dogs until late evening so that the citizens can retrieve their animals without having to travel to Clyde.

The council explained that it would not be feasible to call each individual whose dog had been picked up, and the citizens knew the requirements of the ordinance.

Callaway and the council thanked each other for their time.

Other items brought before the council: The council accepted the police report for March as it was read to them. There were 51 calls for service, with two accidents, three assaults, one stolen piece of property recovered ( a bicycle), one criminal theft over \$20,000, one driving under the influence of drugs, 96 citations issued and 51 warnings.

City Judge Bob Hill presented the March report of the activities of his office. He reported 96 citations with 31 still outstanding. He also told the council that there were 19 citations outstanding for February

**AA Meeting Held Weekly At May**

Alcoholics Anonymous meets every Tuesday at 8:00 p.m. in the First Baptist Church across from the school in May.

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and nine for January. The council accepted the judge's report by general consent.

Steve Mack, of the Cross Plains Economic Development Corporation, introduced Ron Spellman to the group. Spellman, who owns a boat manufacturing company in Florida, has expressed an interest in purchasing the acreage owned by the EDC for the purpose of building an industrial park.

Randy Montgomery met with the council to discuss the 25 acres north of the existing irrigated field located at the sewer farm.

The council told Montgomery that the City of Cross Plains would like to add the new 25 acres to the existing 18 acres to increase the irrigatable land. They said that the city has not received a permit to irrigate the 25 acres as yet.

Montgomery told the council that he would be agreeable to increasing the acreage and it would not matter to him if the land was permitted for irrigation or not. He stated that he would agree to pay the same lease fee as the original contract with the exception that he could exchange the first year's lease for the cleanup of the land.

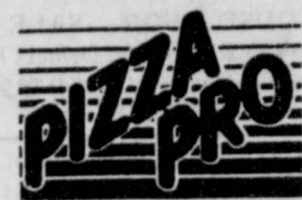
Edwin Weiss made a motion to include the north 25 acres in the lease and wave the 1999 lease for the cleanup of the property. Lease on the property will be the same per year as the original contract. The motion was approved after being seconded by Jerry Cassle.

Cross Plains Fire Chief Bob Harrell met with the council to discuss the remodeling of the Cross Plains Fire Station. He told them that the county commissioners had approved \$2,000 for the project.

Harrell informed the council that the truck received from the Texas Forest Service needed a pump and motor with an estimated cost of between \$1,500 and \$2,000.

Bills were paid with a motion by Jerry Cassle and seconded by James Nichols.

City Secretary Debbie Gosnell read the Right-of-Way Ordinance from GTE to the council. The council agreed to the contract with the exception that it be changed from a 10 year to a 5 year term. Gosnell was instructed to contact GTE about the change.



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Craig Hardy	May	1 Red Hfr 310 @ 93.00
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R.D. Hawkins	Blanket	1 Red Hfr 510 @ 79.00
David Vaughn	Dublin	1 Bik Hfr 555 @ 78.00
J.B. Clark	Comanche	1 Bik Hfr 570 @ 74.00
Barbara Simmons	Santa Anna	1 Red Hfr 610 @ 70.50

Weight	Steers Price	Helpers Price	Slaughter Bulls
150-300	82-1.33	85-90	40-50
300-400	82-1.09	80-93	Slaughter Cows
400-500	80-1.00	70-84	30-37
500-600	77-86	70-79	Bred Cows
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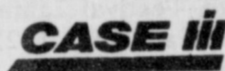
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Charles has lived in the Cross Plains area for almost 40 years. He has been married to Kathy for 24 years and they have two children, John - age 19, and Melanic - 14. Charles graduated from Cross Plains High School, attended Cisco Junior College and graduated from Harding University in 1976. He has been involved with farming and ranching since high school, as well as being an independent oil and gas producer, lease manager, and has experience in land management and development. Charles and his family are active in civic affairs and church related activities.

Athletic Booster Club Preparing for Banquet

The Athletic Boosters will meet April 28th, May 5th and May 12th at 7:00 p.m. in the gym foyer to discuss the Athletic Banquet. Anyone who has pictures to be enlarged for the banquet, please see Roxie Thomas or Peggy Bailey.

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Co. Commissioners Hire Abilene Lawyer To Represent Co. In Lawsuit

By Billy Harris Special Correspondent

BAIRD—Callahan County Commissioners met in regular session Monday, April 26th. Callahan County Judge Roger Corn called the meeting to order with these officers present; Commissioners Tommy Holland, Harold Hicks, Charlie Grider, Bryan Farmer, County Clerk Jeanie Bohannon, and County Treasurer Diane Alexander.

Minutes of the previous meeting were approved as written. Commissioners discussed the lateral road mileage for the county. There was a discrepancy between the amount of miles of county roads the Texas Department of Transportation logged and what commissioners logged.

Each Texas county is allotted monies, by the state, for maintenance of county roads. Five years previous the county was deemed to have 560 miles of county roads and after a recent count the state came up with a figure of 480 miles of county roads. Commissioners surveyed their precincts roadways and have totaled up 533 miles of county roads.

Judge Corn told commissioners that the state allots Callahan County about \$40 per mile for the local county road management.

The figures compiled by the commissioners will be sent to the state and the matter will placed on the next agenda for the regular commissioners meeting.

A lengthy discussion was held concerning the county's health insurance plan. Blue Cross/Blue Shield representatives Tommy and Don Morris met with commissioners and explained the HMO policy that would be through Abilene Regional Medical Center. The counties HMO is now with Hendrick Medical Center.

The county's Health Insurance Committee consists of Bryan Farmer, Diane Alexander, and Sharon Owens.

Judge Corn read to commissioners rules concerning the advertising for bids on the insurance. If the

county is going through TAC (Texas Association of Counties) for the insurance they would not have advertise for competitive bids.

After much discussion it was decided to table the measure until the next meeting. Motion by Farmer and seconded by Holland. Commissioners wanted to wait and compare revised figures, from their present insurance carrier, with the proposal by the new plan.

Commissioners next discussed the need for an attorney to represent the county in an upcoming lawsuit involving a county road in Precinct 4.

Corn explained that District Attorney Allen Wright can not represent the county in the case unless the county wants to hire him outside of his official office. Allen Wright is paid by the state, explained Corn, and can only represent the county by being hired by the county for a negotiated fee.

Wright, it was explained, is paid by the state of Texas.

Farmer said, "Allen is pretty tied up with this murder trial". Corn recommended that the county hire Ken Leggett, of Abilene, to represent the county in the civil case. Leggett is said to have handled similar cases in the past and is familiar with the proceedings.

A motion by Holland, seconded by Grider, to hire Ken Leggett to represent the county in the lawsuit was approved. The county will also counter sue for legal fees that they have incurred in connection with the case.

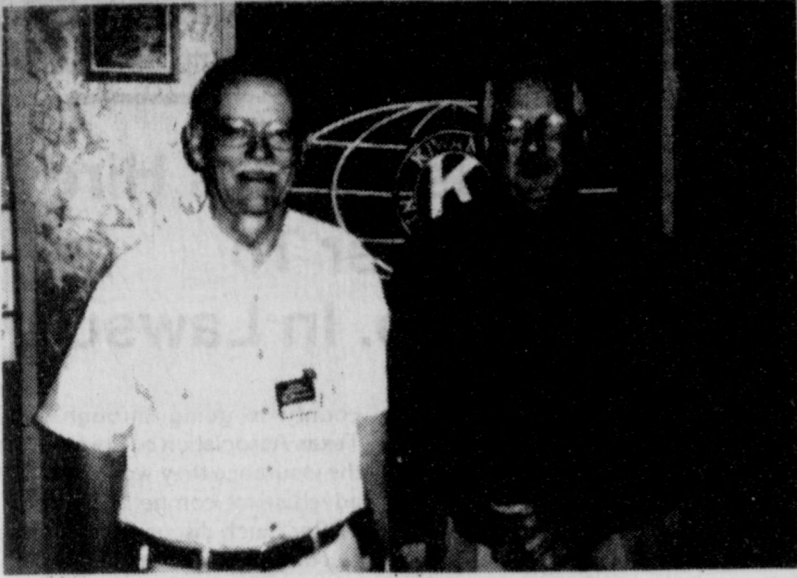
The lawsuit stems from a dispute between two individuals in Precinct 4 near county roads 464 and 462 south of Baird.

One of the property owners in the area claims the road was maintained by the county until 1961 and has not maintained it since. The county is being sued for judgement to order the county to maintain the road and declaration that the road is a public road.

Commissioners approved advertising for bids for a used asphalt distributor. Motion by Holland and seconded by Farmer.

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**INFORMATIVE MEETING**—Callahan County Judge Roger Corn (right) was the guest of Kiwanis Club member Bob Pipes at the Kiwanis Club's meeting on Tuesday, April 20. Judge Corn informed those present in regard to some matters of state legislation and its affect on the county. Everyone is always welcome to the Kiwanis Club's weekly meeting at noon on Tuesday's at Jean's Feed Barn. Inquiries for membership are encouraged and may be made at the meetings or to any Kiwanis Club member during the week.

## COUNTY ROADS by Ginny Greene

### Each tiny hoof...

Living on a dirt road has many benefits and one major negative. DUST! Add water and it makes MUD! That's just as bad.

I like rural life — especially listening to the rooster who hollers Good Morning, the birds piping their descanted symphonies, and cows bawling in the neighbor's fields. And I love watching the kids run with the goats, clambering up trees to throw down leaves for them.

But when the dust hangs in a pall over the road, coating the houses on both sides for days in a row, I get tired of shoveling grit off my floors. And when the wind blows, a powdery film filters through the house, finding even the bottom drawer of the dresser in the room, at the back of the house, that is always closed.

I take my dirt road dust to town with me on my car. I could wash it every day, but I prefer to let nature take its course, and wait for rain. Shel Silverstein wrote a poem about that once — about a thirsty girl who lay on her back with her mouth open, waiting for it to rain. I'm something like that girl.

My car is easy to find, though. When I come out of the grocery store, I tell the courtesy carrier my car lives on a dirt road. They head for the dustiest car. It's also likely that "Wash Me" is scrawled across the thickest dust accumulation in finger paint fashion.

There are some subtle signs of dirt road driving. If it rains a little, my car is the mud-streaked one in

the parking lot. If it rains just barely, mine's the rain-dimpled car. And if it pours buckets, my car looks like all the clean cars in the lot, except the tire wells are caked with mud. I always make sure I have plenty of windshield cleaner.

Sometimes my car's undercarriage is bricked solid when the road maintenance crews grade the caliche road. Smooth road, rocky car. It's an even trade-off. Besides, it's probably what holds the car together.

When I take my car to the tire repair shop, I just point to the flat tire and mumble, "dirt road." He understands.

When things fall off the car and parts crack in two, those two words, "Dirt road," explain it all.

It's been easy to explain all these hallmarks of dirt road living, until I got Stella. She's a kid goat who always makes sure she sneezes milk all over me when I feed her. It's even better, in her mind, if she sneezes a wide arc and drenches me. I swear she knows when I'm dressed to go to town.

Now she has a new trick. As soon as she's finished drinking, and spraying me, she scampers away and leaps up on the car, keeping just barely out of my reach.

I can explain all the dirt road symptoms like flat tires, and dust, and mud-caked tire wells, but how do I explain hoof prints and milk dribbles all over the hood of my car?

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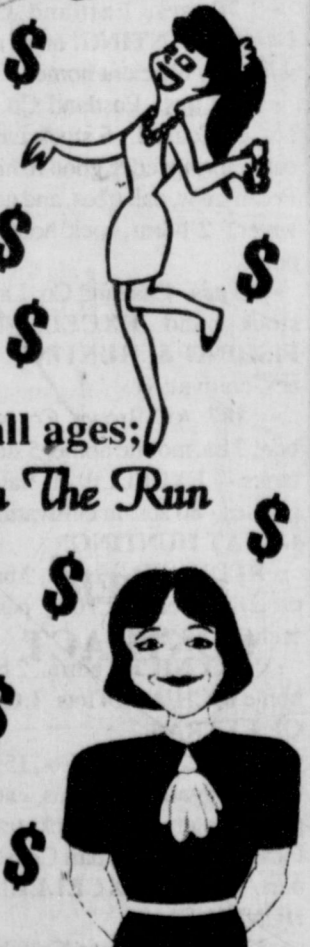


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