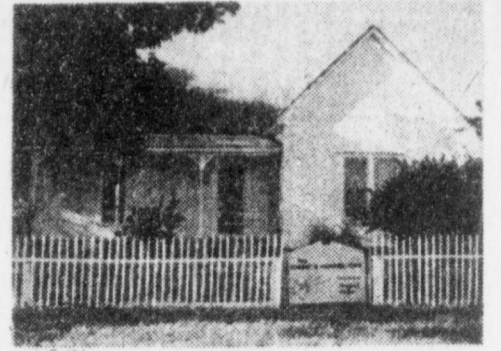


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Brandi Richey 300 Hurdles State Champion New State Record 45.89

By COACH MIKE CAVENDER

Brandi Richey represented the Lady Buffs Track Tradition very well in Austin over the weekend. Brandi's 18 points from her two races placed us in 8th for team standing honors.

In the 100 meter hurdles Brandi finished 2nd with a time of 15.09. The winner Amanda Meffick from Sims Bowie ran a 14.98. We all felt Brandi had won the race, but the camera told a different story. The 15.09 was a personal best for Brandi on the track.

In the 300 meter hurdles Brandi won the Gold with a time of 45.89 setting a new state record. The old mark of 46.00 had held up since 1992. We ran a clean and smooth race from start to finish. Down the stretch with 3 hurdles to go we were behind, but one by one Brandi ran them down, passing the last one with 2 meters to go at the finish line. It was an exciting finish to an outstanding individual performance.



STATE TRACK RECORD SETTER - Brandi Richey

Brandi's 45.89 was also another personal best on the track. The 2nd place finisher in the 300's was Miranda Cornelius of Wellman Union.

This was Brandi's 3rd year in a row to win the 300's at Austin and her 2nd year in a row to finish 2nd in the 100's.



BENEFIT HONOREES — Leon Nixon and his wife, Terry.

LEON WON THE PICKUP! Saturday's Benefit Huge Success For Nixon Family Benefit Netted \$35,900

By VANDA ANDERSON CREECH Editor

The Leon Nixon Benefit held Saturday was a grand event with 1,500 registering. The vision of Kim Woerner netted \$35,900 to be utilized for medical expenses. Kim lost her mother recently to cancer and she was dedicated to assisting the Nixon family in their battle against the same disease. She was the driving force behind all the organization and with the cooperation of many, many volunteers the benefit was a huge success.

Leon was born September 10, 1954, to Master Sergeant Leon and Leatrice Nixon. He is a 1973 graduate of Cross Plains and married Terry Dillard in July 1976. The couple have two children, Sam, 18, and Sarah, 14, and have lived in this community for 23 years.

Leon was employed by Dillard Drilling for 13 years; Kohler Company for 10 years; and 3M for about 1 1/2 years before taking disability leave in June 1998.

He is a member of First United Methodist Church and has served on the Board of Trustees and the Committee on Staff/Parish Relations. He has helped with youth activities for the church. Leon attended the Central Texas Conference Walk to Emmaus in February 1996, and has served as a team member on Emmaus Walks the last two years.

He served as a Cross Plains City Councilman for three years and currently is a member of the Board of Trustees of Cross Plains Schools.

The first week in June Leon is evaluated to see if he is a candidate for gene therapy in San Antonio. If eligible, he will return for treatment. He is also considering a rare treatment in Canada.

Approximately \$19,600 was earned on tickets sold for the 1999 Ford Ranger pickup provided by Brownwood-Ford-Lincoln-Mercury at cost. Thanks to Bill Slaymaker for his cooperation! It was such a blessing when Leon Nixon's name was drawn by Susan Schaefer as the winner. The Lord certainly had a hand in this. There were only 5 tickets with Leon's name and the winning one was purchased by his uncle, Leonard Gray of Louisiana.

\$6,000 was derived from the Silent Auction; \$4,500 from the Cake Walk; \$3,300 from the cake walk, Bingo, booths, miscellaneous; and \$2,062 from the meal.



MOTIVATIONAL SPEAKER— Jon Randles.

Leon remarked, "When I heard about the plans for today I thought a few people would come out and we would have a good time. I never thought the whole town would turn out." He was overwhelmed by the love and generosity of so many.

The day's activities began with bids on the silent auction, raffle items, the cake walk, Bingo, and horse rides for the children. The mascot for the Prairie Dogs was on hand to greet the children and clowns were shaping balloons. The crowd had a great time!

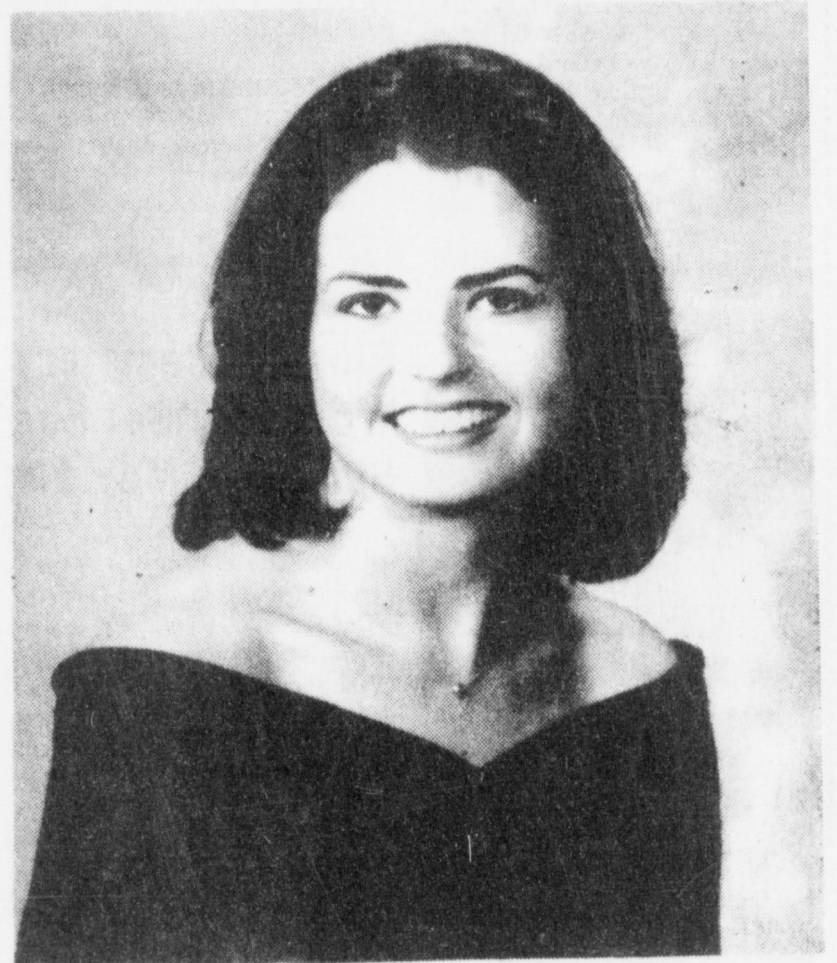
400 enjoyed the wonderful brisket and chicken meal with all the trimmings. The briskets were donated and cooked various individuals and the First United Methodist Church provided the chicken which was cooked at the football field that morning. Cottonwood Baptist prepared the coleslaw; First Baptist the potato salad; Church of Christ the beans; and First United Methodist Church the desserts. All were delicious.

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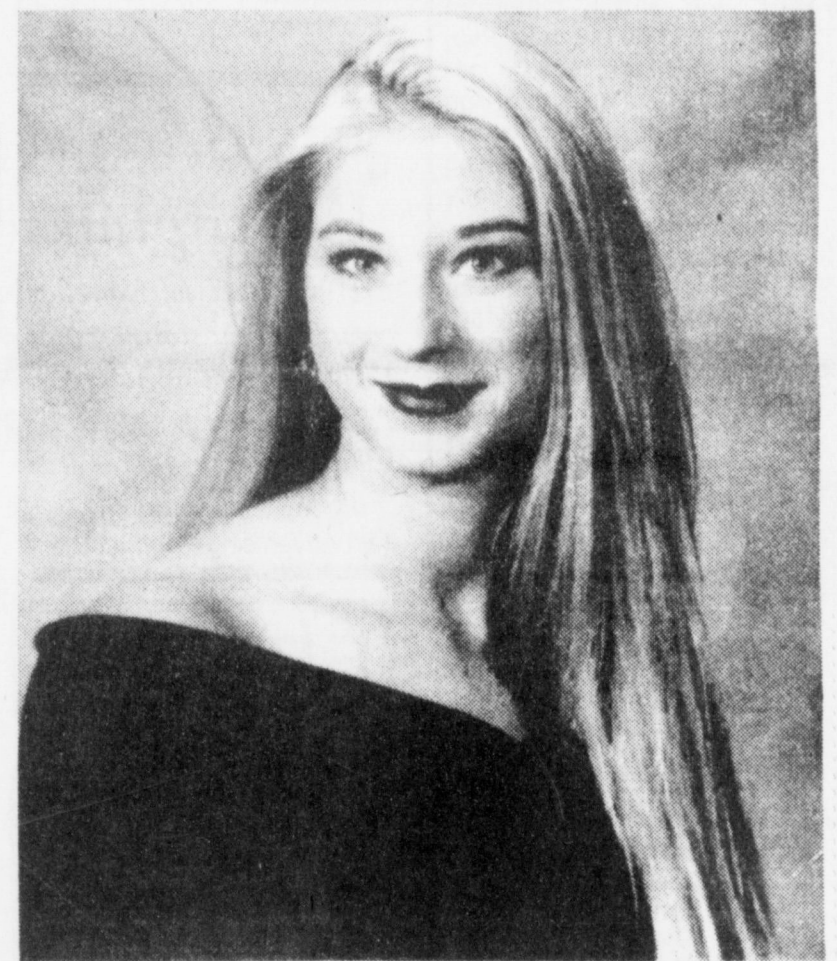
COTTONWOOD MUSICAL THIS FRI., MAY 21

The Cottonwood Quilting Club is having their country and western on Friday evening, May 21 at the Cottonwood Community Center.

The musical will begin at 6:30 p.m. The emcee for the evening will be Smokey Callaway. Everybody is invited to attend. Ya'll Comell!



JOLENA FLEMING
...CPSISD 1999 Valedictorian



MINDY MITCHELL
...CPSISD 1999 Salutatorian

Commencement Exercises Friday, May 21 for Cross Plains High School

Thirty-five Cross Plains High School graduates will receive their diplomas on Friday, May 21, at the new gym beginning at 8:00 p.m.

The top ten students (in alphabetical order) for the Class of 1999 are Ashley Beggs, Amanda Dillard, Jolena Fleming, Whitney Giles, Brice Hail, Joseph Hopkins, Mindy Mitchell, Ventura Monreal, III, Sam Nixon and Laura Ricca.

The program will begin with the song "Far Behind" and the processional will be performed by Sheri Bennett.

Amanda Dillard will lead the invocation followed by special music by Dusty Anderson.

Mindy Mitchell will deliver the salutatory address and Jolena Fleming the valedictory address.

Awards will be presented by Rondall Sanders, high school principal.

Charlene Fleming, a popular keynote speaker with local students, will give the commencement address. She is a math instructor at Cross Plains High School.

Special music will be performed by Ventura Monreal.

The 1999 Senior Class will be introduced by Jackie Tennison, superintendent, and the school

board trustees will present their diplomas.

The benediction will be given by See COMMENCEMENT page 4

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Review of Progress Presented at Town Meeting Held Recently

By VANDA ANDERSON CREECH Editor

The recent Town Meeting was well attended as Denise Coulter, executive director of the local Economic Development Corporation, welcomed residents. She briefly reviewed the Cross Plains Strategic Plan which was professionally prepared by West Texas Utilities.

The booklet included the Vision Statement; Situation Analysis; Target Industries; Goals and Work Plans; and Evaluation. These were formulated following the community assessment conducted about a year ago.

Individual reports of progress were delivered from various committees. The Beautification Plan to clean up the town has been promoted by holding a clean up day providing residents the opportunity to discard items. A health officer, Mark Norris, has been appointed and a message of encouragement to clean up property is now printed on the monthly city water bills. Ordinance Number 97-001 has been strengthened to help enforce property maintenance.

The problem with loose dogs has been addressed. An ordinance was passed and has been upheld.

A city property tax was researched and investigated by a committee. At this time Cross Plains is the only city in Callahan County who does not levy property taxes. The city's large cash reserve resulted in questioning the need for a tax at this time and this committee has disbanded. However, grants are not readily available due to the lack of property taxes.

Ecotourism is being promoted through the organization of a trades

day festival during hunting season. Tim Dill informed the group of plans for a festival. The Barbarian Trades Day Cook-off has been slated for Saturday, September 4th, Labor Day weekend. The event will kick off with a huge parade and a sanctioned cook-off providing professional points earned toward a year's end goal. It will be held at the Cross Plains Roping Club area in connection with the Old Settler's Reunion. Craft and food booths will be provided in Treeway Park. Quilt displays, cavalry re-enactments, and a moon walk are yet other attractions. A huge crowd is anticipated. Keeka Byrd was noted as a great organizer for the festival.

The Economic Development Corporation has been searching for small manufacturing plants to establish locally. They are targeting companies who will employ 5-30 and have clean industries. We have adequate water, but the sewer system is limited.

At this time the EDC has several prospects who they have visited and who have made trips to Cross Plains. Firm commitments have not yet been determined. Marketing leads have been shared by Texas Midwest Community Network, Texas Economic Development Council and Abilene Industrial Foundation.

The old Foster Grocery building on Main Street has been purchased by Flair Trophies and Awards. Awards Plus will operate a retail frontage, with production in the rear section. The new business will employ five and will be renovating the facility.

Bob Hefner has donated the old ice house to the Economic Development Corporation and a

See TOWN MEETING page 8

Cross Plains Clean and Proud Meeting
All citizens that want a cleaner, safer
community are invited to attend.

See the presentation of "Our Clean Town"

Thursday, May 20, 7:00 p.m.

Community Center

Sponsored by the Cross Plains EDC

COUNTY COURT
Roger Corn presiding

Misdemeanor Filings

Jean Buchanan Smith, DWI.
Charged with TPC (theft of property by check): Patrick D. Ward, Alan D. Walker, Gary Wayne Waller, Bryan Roe, Jeffrey P. Shipp, Willi Jeanne Bays, Mindy Torres.

Misdemeanor Minutes

Robert D. Prickett, deadly conduct, \$2500 fine \$214.25 court costs, 1 year probation.
Thornton Shackelford, possession of marijuana, \$189.25 court costs, 90 days in jail.
Marion Thomas Dison, possession of marijuana, \$189.25 court costs, 90 days in jail.
Michael Ray Johnson, DWI, \$214.25 court costs, 10 days in jail.

Charles Harvey, DWI, \$400 fine \$214.25 court costs, 90 days in jail probated for 2 years.

Scott Lee Greer, possession of marijuana, \$500 fine \$214.25 court costs, 6 months probation.

Tarressa Hennington, TPC, \$50 fine \$201.25 court costs, \$171.86 restitution, 6 months probation.

Jerry Fleming, TPC, \$150 fine \$201.25 court costs, \$401.02 restitution.

Deferred adjudication probations discharged: Dale Best, Rick McGowen, Fernando Ruiz, Kellie Walker.

MARRIAGE LICENSES

Linda Kay Gomez, Baird, Justin H. Pierce, Hawley.
Crystal Amanda Clopton, Coleman, Christian J. Prickett, Clyde.
Jennifer Lynn Foster & Roy Valdez of Fort Worth.

Pioneer Cemetery
Work Day Set For
Saturday, May 22

By Jo Veda Watson

The Pioneer Historical Association wishes to announce a work day at the Pioneer Cemetery on Saturday, May 22, at 9:00 a.m. We appreciate any and all help. You will need to bring your own tools, such as hoes, rakes, shovels, gloves, drinking water, etc. This clean up day is in preparation for the Memorial Day Service, tentatively planned for May 31, at 9:30 a.m. We need to make sure that all veterans graves are properly marked so that one will not be overlooked.
See you there!!

Selected
Scriptures

Let my heart be blameless regarding your statutes, that I may not be ashamed.
Psalms 119:80
...Be imitators of God as dear children. Ephesians 5:1
Paid Advertising — Irma Miller

Ward A. Abbott

ANDREWS—Military graveside services for Ward A. Abbott, 81, of Andrews were held at 4:00 p.m. Sunday, May 16, 1999, at the Andrews Old Cemetery with Al Bullard, Honor Guard Chaplain of VFW Post #4372, officiating.

Burial was under the direction of McNett Funeral Home of Andrews. He died Friday, May 14, 1999, at Permian General Hospital in Andrews.

He was born August 20, 1917, in Sergeant Bluff, Iowa. He served in the U.S. Army during World War II in the D-Day Normandy Landing. He was a master sergeant. He was a disabled veteran. He received the Purple Heart, Good Conduct Ribbon, European African Middle Eastern Campaign Ribbon, and one Bronze Campaign Star. He married Lahoma Peterman on August 29, 1946, in Aurora, Colorado. He worked for El Paso Natural Gas Company in Andrews around 1949. He had worked as an electrician for Reese Air Force Base for 21 years in Lubbock. He moved back to Andrews in 1970 from Lubbock. He was a member of the VFW Post #4372 and the American Legion. He was a Baptist.

He is survived by his wife Lahoma Abbott of Andrews; one son, Jim Abbott of Seminole; two daughters, Inaette Rider of Andrews and Christy Torres of Andrews; three brothers, Clarence of Sioux City, Iowa, Harold of Sloan, Iowa, and Jim of Yankton, South Dakota; two sisters, Dorothy Abbott of Cross Plains and Alta Hood of Cross Plains; 7 grandchildren; 5 great-grandchildren.

Addie Brumfield

EASTLAND—Addie "Granny" Brumfield, 96, of Eastland formerly of Cross Plains and Odessa died Sunday morning, May 16, 1999, in Eastland Hospital.

Funeral services were held at 2 p.m. Tuesday, May 18, 1999, in the Bethel Baptist Church with Rev. Harry Garvin and Pastor Jonathan Gay officiating. Burial was in the Sabanno Cemetery directed by Edwards Funeral Home of Eastland.

Mrs. Brumfield was born March 10, 1903 to George and Florene Swarington Boen in Comanche. She moved to Fisher County at an early age and married Andrew Clifton Henry and they farmed in Fisher County. She opened Addie's Cafe in Rotan and owned several cafe's, her last business was the "Trolley Inn" cafe in Odessa. She married Sid Brumfield in Odessa and they kept over 300 foster children in their home over the years. She moved to Cross Plains in 1972 and to Eastland in 1978. She was active in Baptist churches in town. In Odessa she taught the Dorcas Class and kept the nursery at Green Acres Baptist Church, in Cross Plains she taught Senior Adult and Mission Friends at First Baptist, in Eastland she was director of the WMU and was known as a prayer warrior. She could fit in with any age group and was loved by all who met her.

She is survived by one daughter, Frances Thomas of Eastland, one granddaughter-in-law, Janie Morgan of Abilene, one great-granddaughter, Alisia Thomas of Eastland and one great-grandson, Daniel Morgan of Eastland.

Memorials may be made to the WMU at Bethel Baptist Church in Eastland.

Katherine Morton
Whitton

Katherine Morton Whitton passed away Saturday, May 15, 1999.

Following a family graveside service, a memorial service was held on Wednesday, May 19, 1999, at 1:00 p.m. at Ridgela United Methodist Church where Katherine had been an active member.

Katherine was born in Sipe Springs, on February 25, 1912, the daughter of Rev. O.A. Morton (a Methodist Circuit Rider) and Jimmie Gray Morton. She graduated from Comanche High School in 1929 and Howard Payne University in 1941. Katherine was a retired elementary school teacher who began her career in the thirties, teaching in several Texas schools including Leaday, Gustine and Cross Plains. When she moved to Gustine, she met Paul who was the Superin-

tendent of Schools. Katherine and Paul were married on February 20, 1942, in Aledo, where her father was serving as the Methodist minister. She lived in Cross Plains for 14 years (1952-66) while her husband, Paul Whitton, served as superintendent of Cross Plains School. Mrs. Whitton was an elementary teacher at the local school for several years. She was active in the First United Methodist Church, Eastern Star and Band Boosters. Katherine and Paul were married 46 years and had three children: Paul L. Whitton, Jr., Superintendent of Schools at Frenship ISD (Wolfforth-Lubbock); Linda Whitton Hill, an elementary school teacher in Choctaw, Oklahoma; and James M. Whitton, an attorney in Fort Worth.

Katherine is also survived by two sisters, Alda Morton Daniel and Marjorie Morton Carpenter, both of Denton, six grandchildren, Paul L. Whitton, III; Misty D. Whitton; Katherine Hill Creighton; Michael L. Hill; Lauren Katherine Whitton; and Sarah Jane Whitton as well as numerous nieces and nephews.

The family asks that in lieu of flowers, donations be made to the Ridgela United Methodist Church Scholarship Fund or a favorite charity.

Greenwood Funeral Home handled the arrangements.

Eula Gladeene
Osborn Pringle

Eula Pringle passed from this life to be with her Lord on Saturday, May 15, 1999. Now she can "walk" the streets of gold and continue "singing" but now with the angels!

To her family she was a precious gift. But through the gift of herself, she also gave many more gifts. She gave the gift of her love, her caring, her spiritual life, her knowledge of the Lord, her inspiration, and her many prayers for all the one's whom she loved. She was the "prayer warrior and rock to our family."

Eula was born in Yantis, Wood County, Texas on December 25, 1917, to James Henry and Callie (Thomas) Osborn. She moved to Hamby in 1924 where she grew up and attended Hamby school. She graduated from Abilene High School in 1937. She married William Roy Pringle on October 12, 1938. He preceded her in death.

She was a devoted nurse's aide at Hendrick Medical Center from 1958 to 1981 where she cared for many new mothers in obstetrics. She had been a faithful member of Central Baptist Church where she had sang in the choir for many years. Although unable to attend church in her last few years, she continued to read and study her Bible and to pray for others.

Among some of the things she loved to do was sing, write poetry, and collect angels. Through her children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren, she will always be remembered, never forgotten and missed very much!

Funeral services were held at 2 p.m. Monday, May 17, 1999, in North's Funeral Home Memorial Chapel at 242 Orange with Rev. Herbert Wood officiating assisted by Louis Brewer. Burial was in Elmwood Memorial Cemetery.

Survivors include three sons, William Carroll Pringle of Cross Plains, Jerry Lynn Pringle of Sparks, Nevada and Dan Pringle of Abilene; three daughters, Bettie Irene Lane of Fort Worth, Hazel Juanelle Johnson and LaZeda Gayle Jordan both of Abilene; 16 grandchildren; 15 great-grandchildren; several step grandchildren and step great-grandchildren; and numerous friends.

She was preceded in death by a son, Royce Dean Pringle.

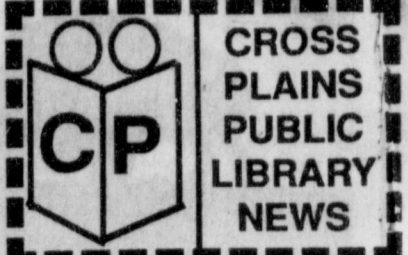
Her hope and wish to all can be expressed by a final chosen testimony - "New address - Heaven - Meet me there."

Joe Gilmore

CISCO—Joe Gilmore, 61, formerly of Cisco, died Saturday, May 15, 1999, at his home in Fort Worth.

Services were held at 3 p.m. Tuesday at Chambers-Wilcox Funeral Home Chapel with the Revs. Benny Hagan and Darrell Wait officiating. Burial was in Oakwood Cemetery.

Mr. Gilmore was born in Rising Star, attended Cisco schools and graduated from Cisco High School in 1955. He graduated from Cisco Junior College and St. Cloud State



The bake sale promised last week will begin at 8 a.m. on Friday, May 28. The library folks will appreciate your participation. Baked goods: bread, cakes, cookies, pies, etc. Get your Memorial Day desserts early.

Books checked out:
Cross Plains - 53
Abilene - 6
Interlibrary Loan - 3
Total - 62
Vonnice Foller Rutherford, daughter of Attie Fisher Foller, formerly of the Cottonwood Community, has donated a book of the descendants of Robert Hanes Fisher and Symimus Ann Barnett. It covers seven generations of the Foller family, from 1800-1995.

COLONIAL OAKS
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Cornerstone Church will conduct worship services at Colonial Oaks Nursing Home on Sunday, May 23, commencing at 3:30 p.m.

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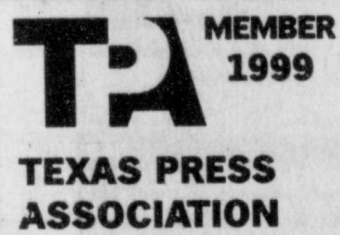
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NEWS

By
LINDA MERRITT
Activity Director

At their birthday party this month, the residents thoroughly enjoyed hearing their favorite hymns being whistled by Monty Jones from Rising Star. Mr. Jones told us he had always wanted to play an instrument, but he just didn't realize he had one built in his throat. God really blessed him.

Zelda Milam sure is one happy lady. She had the cast taken off her leg.

Ruby Harrell is our winner for a free meal from Jack's Place. Thanks Wanda and Jack.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Lee from Breckenridge and Joe Nelson visited with Pauline Region and Ralph Lee. Lurene McNutt visited with Louise Richardson.

Tim Curry and Deborah Griswold visited with Deen Haddox.

Activities during the week were:
Monday: Bingo winners were Alpha Wilson, Howet Wilson (2), Maxine Crisp, Ruby Harrell and Vera Belyeu (2). Exercise class.

Tuesday: Art class. Sing-a-long with Bob Wallace. Skip-Bo games.

Wednesday: Bingo winners were Louise Richardson, Ruby Harrell (2), Howet Wilson, Minnie Swann (2) and Maxine Crisp. Exercise class and dominoes.

Thursday: Bingo winners were Ruby Harrell (2), Minnie Swann (2), Howet Wilson, Alpha Wilson, Hazel McCoy, and Vera Belyeu. Ball toss.

Friday: Sing-a-long with Bob Wallace. Sit-down-basketball. Skip-Bo games.

Sunday: Cornerstone Church Friends are our chosen family.

Garden Club Meeting Nets New Members

Following the garden clubs, May 14th tour of local gardens, the group returned to the Rolan Jones home for a cook-out. The food was great, the folks terrific with everyone enjoying a tremendous time of fun and visiting.

The delicious entree was Bar-B-Que brisket with members bringing all the trimmings. Food, fun and friends.

Following the meal and festivities, the meeting was called to order by President Julene Franke. Discussion was held on both old and new business. The minutes were read and approved. Following the business meeting installation of officers for the next season was held.

The new officers were sworn in by long-time garden club member, Joyce Odom, who gave a lovely presentation. Flowers were presented by Joyce to incoming officers who are as follows:

President - Julene Franke
1st Vice President - Barbara Powell
2nd Vice President - Kay Mosley
Treasurer - Robert Powell
Recording and Corresponding Secretary - Ava Dodd
Parliamentarian - Marvin Mosley

Other members in attendance in addition to the officers were: Ray Dodd, Joyce Odom, Rolan Jones and recent new members Sharon and Richard Parr.

Guests of the garden club were Sandra Jones, Eva Fleming and Harriet Lovett. Harriet joined the garden club during the course of the evening.

Several members were unable to attend due to illness and other obligations.

The club wishes to welcome all new members including James Nichols, Sharon and Richard Parr and Harriet Lovett.

Clips, Quips & Comments

By KAY DENNIS MOSLEY

"THE WILD ONE"
We made a trip to Lubbock in Mach for the birthday of our youngest grandchild. Mary 5, was her birthday. Her name is Summer and she was 2 years old. Her mother was calling her "The Wild One" when we were there.

She's pretty, bouncy, and verbal with large brown eyes and shiny, naturally curly brown hair. She loves to sing and dance and frolic around the house as she happily trips the light fantastic. Her bubbly chuckles and giggles follow cheerily on her heels as she whirls gleefully into the next room, intent on her joyous antics.

She absolutely delighted in ushering granddad (Marvin) to specific chairs or the couch and smilingly instructing him to "sit there" and to "be quiet." At mealtimes she sternly admonished him to "eat."

Several times she charmingly aided me in rising from my seat. She would take my hand and with loud grunts and long groans would laughingly assist me on the left. Once after being thus unseated, Summer gleefully escorted me to the powder room where she stood outside the door, peering from time to time around the door to check on me. Then she very sweetly took my hand and led me back into the living room. With service like that what Grandma wouldn't regale the world with tales of her grandchildren's pleasing attributes.

Grandchildren Summer and Zachary recently moved their mom and dad, Melody and Tom, from Shallowater to near Idalou.

Our other granddaughter, Paige Marie resides with her mother, Allison, in Cross Plains. We enjoy great times together.

Garden Club Excursion Deemed Successful

By KAY MOSLEY, Substitute Reporter

The Cross Plains Garden Club met for their final meeting of the season on Friday, May 14. The club will break for the summer resuming regular meetings in September.

The club met at 2 p.m. at the home of member Rolan Jones and his wife, Sandra, for a tour of local gardens. Everyone loaded into vans for the tour led by Rolan.

Gardens visited by the group were those belonging to Lou and Charlie Grider, M/M J.D. Moore, Kathryn and Jack Tunnell, M/M Lee Thompson, Dorothy Mitchell, M/M James Nichols, M/M John Adams, M/M Glenn Winfrey, Jay Kirkham, Ava and Ray Dodd culminating with the gardens of Sandra and Rolan Jones.

Many lovely and extraordinary gardens were viewed. Some contained both vegetables, flowers and herbs, while others contained only flowers, others vegetables and herbs or herbs and flowers. The emphasis

was on the various methods of planting, tending, and growing of tomatoes. Each seemed to have their own method. Some examples observed were: one gardener placed his tomato vines below the surface of the earth, some planted them among other vegetables in the garden soil, one gardener placed tires around each tomato plant the purpose being that the tires would deflect hail, wind, and rain, thereby protecting the plant or if the top is lost in the hail storm, the bottom part of the tomato plant is still in the ground. Another gardener staked the tomatoes to tall PVC pipes also watering the tomatoes by placing the water hose into each individual pvc pipe. Therefore, the pvc pipes served a dual purpose! Other methods viewed were growing the tomatoes in a small greenhouse, and Rolan's method is to cover the ground around the tomato plants with dried grain and straw to hold in the moisture and help keep out weeds.

There were many items of interest on the tour including among others, sampling cornflower seed to plant at home, a large square cistern, a bicycle which is ridden only in a standing position, a bee colony, the growing of a mussel, the growing of mushrooms, flowers planted in an iron bed, bathtub beds, washing machine containing flowers, and other unique items and plants. Also viewed were fish ponds, birdhouses, outhouses, fruit trees, also other tree types such as Catalpa, a lots more items too numerous to list here.

Attorney to speak on legal and financial matters for the elderly Tuesday

The Canterbury Villa of Baird is proud to present Mike Young, Attorney at Law, speaking on the topic Longer Lives: Tougher Choices. Mike's practice in Abilene specializes in the area of Elderlaw, and he will address the challenging decisions that must be made for ourselves and our loved ones.

Come ready for an informative presentation and bring your questions to be answered by an attorney with many years experience in areas concerning the financial and legal affairs of senior citizens.

Join us on Tuesday, May 25 at 7:00 p.m. at the First United Methodist Church (Fellowship Hall) in Baird. For more information, please call (915) 854-1429.

SENIOR CITIZEN'S MENU

MAY 24 - MAY 28

MONDAY—Pork chops, mushroom gravy, mashed potatoes, green beans, pineapple pudding, bread and milk.

TUESDAY—Teryaki chicken, stirfry veggies, rice pilaf, pears, ranger cookie, bread and milk.

WEDNESDAY—Beef-a-roni-garden salad, broccoli, fruit cocktail carrot cake, bread and milk.

THURSDAY—Spaghetti w/meat sauce, Italian veggies, tossed salad, gelatin, garlic sticks and milk.

FRIDAY—Cheeseburger, lettuce, tomatoes, pickles, onions, baked beans, tator wedges, brownie and milk.

Cross Plains Masonic Lodge No. 627

Stated Meeting 1st Thursday 7:30 p.m.

Sec. (254) 725-7530

Connie's Cuts & Curls is proud to have **Becky (Foster) Collier** working **Tues., Wed. and Thurs.** Becky specializes in Sculptured Nails, manicures, perms, cuts, color & all your beauty needs **(254) 725-6318**

PIONEER NEWS

By PIONEER QUILTING CLUB

Oliver and Frankie made a trip to Childress. They visited with Oliver's sister and brother-in-law Mr. and Mrs. Bill Ware and also his sister Mrs. Dale Hawthorne. While there we also had the pleasure of saying hi to Patti and Mathew, Bill and Novell's daughter. Also had a good visit with Patti, his other niece. They also stopped at Anson and said hello to Mrs. Rufus Wilson. They attended the musical Friday night at Putnam.

Their daughter and son-in-law came Saturday and Sunday. Then they all traveled to Granbury to Oliver and Frankie's granddaughter's (Laura Rankin) art show. There they were met by Mrs. Steve Harrelson their daughter. Also Joey and Scott Nance their grandson's and Stephanie a friend. A great time was had by all.

Earlene Burge was glad to see her granddaughter, Cindy Ochoa and her friend Ronald Duval from Brownwood. They brought Cindy's little dog for her to keep a few days while she attended a seminar in San Antonio.

Game night was well attended last Thursday. Twelve came to play and all had a good time.

Cowan and Laverne were business visitors in San Angelo last Wednesday. Wacetta dropped by Friday night and Sandy, Lynn and Pam came for a visit Sunday afternoon.

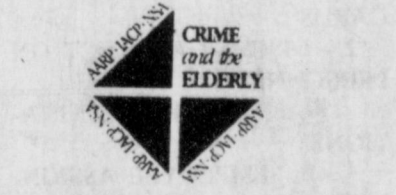
May Jones was invited to Mrs. Wilson's third grade class to have a show and tell about quilts. We discussed a little history about "patch

work quilts," showed them the "tools" which are needed in quilting, and displayed some quilts. The students are studying a story about patch work quilts. They were very knowledgeable about the story and quilts. They showed great interest in the activities. Thank you students and Mrs. Wilson for having me in your classroom.

The Pioneer quilting club is still working on the "Ninepatch and Snowball." We are also working on Laverne's "Fan" quilt. We will put another one in on Tuesday. We also enjoyed our monthly cat out at Jack's Place. The food was great and our "surprise" dessert was delicious.

The club had visitor's again this week. Mrs. Odom's third grade class came out to see us. They listened carefully to the lecture about the history and tools of quilting. They too have been studying the story of the "Patchwork Quilt." They introduced themselves to the club members. They were able to watch the quilters at work. They saw how the quilts were put in the frames and how they are rolled as each section is finished. They were interested in all that was going on and had questions. They also enjoyed looking at our building, the old school desks and the picture of Old Pioneer. The students were very cooperative and well behaved. Mrs. Odom and class thanks for coming out, we really enjoyed you.

Words of Wisdom #77: I shall allow no man to belittle my soul by making me hate him. Booker T. Washington



TRIAD News

By KAY MOSLEY, Secretary

WARNING!! At last weeks meeting the TRIAD/S.A.L.T. Advisory Council was made aware of a situation which should be brought to the attention of the public. The matter was brought to the councils attention by local Justice of the Peace, Rolan Jones. It is the Y2K scare.

Many citizens including the elderly are being taken advantage of by the following fraudulent scheme or scam.

A great many advertisements are being run in magazines, papers and other publications stating that your bank is not Y2K compliant but that the bank with which they are connected is Y2K compliant, so if you don't want to lose all your money by the millennium (the year 2000) due to your banks computers not being corrected and Y2K compliant you need to move your account (money) to the bank they claim to represent.

Sometime instead of the ads they will call you at home on the telephone and ask you a lot of questions: Do you have a bank account? What is the name of your bank and perhaps also ask for your bank account number. Then they will say something like -- Oh! You're going to lose all your money because your bank is not Y2K compliant, however, if you will put your money in the bank I am with your money will be safe. DO NOT DO THIS!!! Because once you deposit your money in their bank it is GONE, you will never see your money again. It is a fraud, you've been scammed.

According to the TRIAD Council and Justice of Peace Rolan Jones the SAFEST PLACE for your money is to -- LEAVE it in the BANK it is in. DON'T do business with anyone you don't know.

This information is brought to you by the CALLAHAN COUNTY TRIAD/S.A.L.T. Advisory Council.

What is Rosacea?
Rosacea is a disease affecting the skin of the face - where people flush. It usually starts with redness on the cheeks and can worsen to include other parts of the face. Because changes are gradual, it may be hard to recognize it in its early stages. May people mistake rosacea for sunburn, a complexion change, or acne and do not see a doctor. Flushing can be triggered by exercise, menopause, and some medicines. The most common triggers are hot drinks, alcohol, spicy foods, stress, sunlight, extreme heat or cold.
Your better health is our concern.
NEAL DRUG
PH. (254) 725-6424
CROSS PLAINS, TEXAS

BREAKTHRU
By Bob Pipes, preacher
Cross Plains Church of Christ
433 N. Main At 12th
(254) 725-6117

Susan Herzog was eighteen when she was killed on New Year's Day, 1982. Kevin Tunell was ordered to pay Susan's parents \$936, to be paid \$1 per week -- in order to be constantly reminded of what he had done to their daughter.

Tunell kept missing his payments. The Herzogs kept taking him back to court. Tunell was finally sentenced to thirty days in jail for contempt because of not living up to the order of weekly payments. Tunell offered the Herzogs predated checks to cover the payments until 2001, one year more than required. He said that he was haunted by Susan's death, and tormented by the weekly payments due each Friday, the day of the week that Susan was killed. The Herzogs refused his offer, realizing the immensity of the of the crime and the punishing effect of the constant, weekly reminder.

Constant reminders can be bad or good, according to the situation. The Lord's Supper, though a constant reminder that Jesus had to die for sins, is also a constant reminder that one can have forgiveness through His death. One is cheating himself in more ways than one by missing a weekly observance of the Lord's Supper. Paul reminds Christians that Jesus said, regarding the communion, "This do in remembrance of Me," and adds, "For as often as you eat this bread and drink this cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until He comes." II Corinthians 11:24-26. Paul goes on to point out that it is an opportune time for self examination, verse 28 -- and how we each need that!

By the way, I wonder if part of eternal punishment will be the constant and eternal reminder that it didn't have to be that way...

Come join us in celebrating salvation through Christ's death, and the weekly reminder of it in the Lord's Supper.

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

Friends & Neighbors Caring In Jesus

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Large Pizza for Medium Charge
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3 Lg. 1 Topping Pizzas + 3 orders breadsticks \$19.99 + tax
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NOTICE
After much consideration, Project Pride is discontinuing sponsorship of Christmas Village with the 1998 program. The organization will continue to offer support in other areas and work to keep Cross Plains a great and caring community. This in no way affects the Kiwanis Santa Claus program.

Project Pride has sponsored activities for the holiday weekends for a number of years and sincerely appreciated the cooperation of the hundreds of people who made it such a joy.

Project Pride plans to expand its lighted holiday display on West Hwy. 96 and at the Howard House and encourages the community to continue decorating and lighting homes and businesses during the holiday seasons.

Cross Plains Project Pride

Congratulations

Graduate

1999



DUSTY ANDERSON

Daughter of Andy and Kathy Anderson

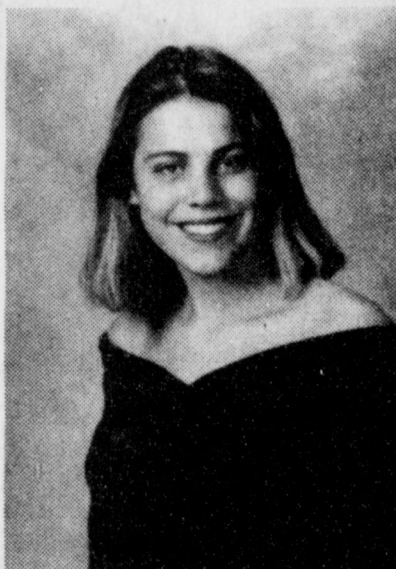
Extracurricular Activities: Basketball 2 years; Mgr. Basketball 1 year; Tennis 1 year; OAP 4 years; FFA Member 3 years; FHA Member 1 year; Ag Judging 1 year; Class Officer 3 years

Awards: All-star Cast OAP Sophomore and Senior; Winning Cast OAP Senior; Most Improved Alg. II Freshman; Most Improved Trig. Junior; Class Treasurer Sophomore; Class Secretary Senior; Student Council Rep. Junior

Future Plans: I plan to attend Cisco Junior College directly following high school. After getting my associates degree, I plan to enroll at Texas A&M and begin working my way toward a degree as an attorney.

more; Reg. Qualifier 800 relay Sophomore; Basketball District Champs Sophomore, Junior and Senior; Bi-district Champs Sophomore, Junior and Senior; Area Champs Junior; All-Star Cheerleader Senior; Who's Who in Sports Freshman, Sophomore, Junior and Senior; Honor Roll Freshman, Sophomore, Junior and Senior; "A" Honor Roll Junior and Senior; Academic All District Senior

Future Plans: I plan to attend Cisco Junior College in the fall majoring in pharmacy.



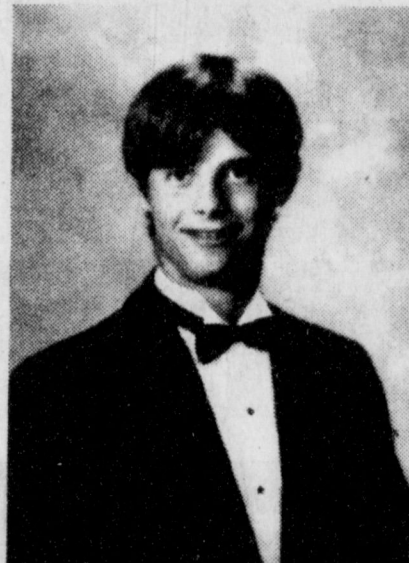
SHANNADON BLACK

Daughter of William Black

Extracurricular Activities: Band 2 years; Basketball 1 year; Mgr. Basketball 1 year; Tennis 1 year; FFA Member 1 year; FHA Member 4 years

Awards: Most Talkative Senior

Future Plans: Undecided



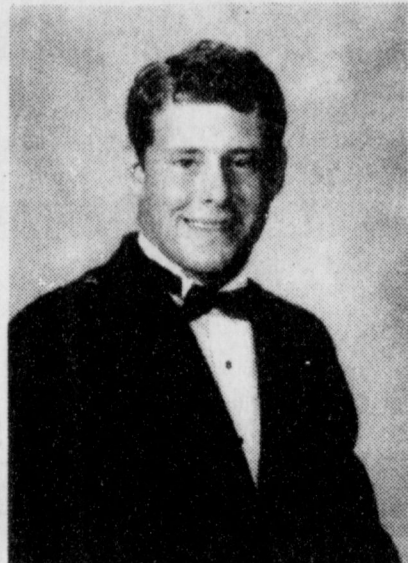
BROOK CALLAWAY

Son of Marty and Glenda Callaway

Extracurricular Activities: Football 3 years; Basketball 2 years; Tennis 1 year; Track 1 year; FFA Member 3 years; FHA Member 3 years; Ag Judging 1 year

Awards: Most Improved Alg. A Freshman; Most Improved Alg. B Sophomore; Most Improved Home Economics Freshman and Sophomore

Future Plans: Undecided



CHANCE CONNELLY

Son of Chris and Cynthia Connelly

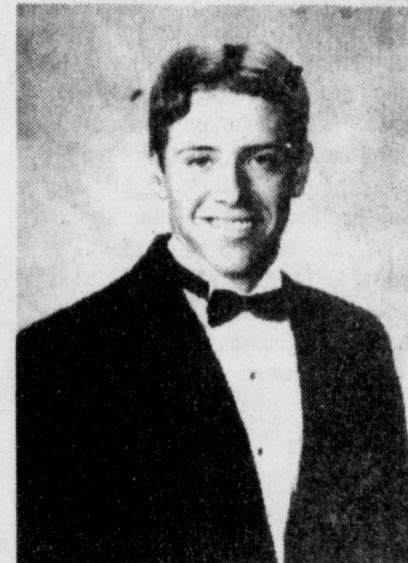
Extracurricular Activities: FFA Member 1 year

Future Plans: Undecided

years; FFA Member 2 years; Ag Judging 2 years; Top Academic 2 years; Class Officer 1 year; Class Favorite 1 year

Awards: Most Spirited Sophomore; 1 Runner-up Most Beautiful Sophomore; Miss CPHS Senior; Annual Editor Senior; JV Football Sweetheart Freshman and Sophomore; FFA Officer Junior; Student Council Officer Junior and Senior; NHS Officer Senior; Who's Who Freshman, Sophomore, Junior and Senior; Head Cheerleader Sophomore; Honor Roll Freshman, Sophomore, Junior and Senior

Future Plans: Attend Tarleton State University majoring in pharmacy.



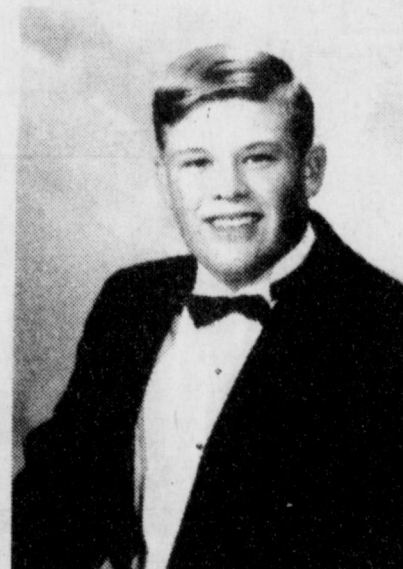
ZACH EDINGTON

Son of Howard and Debbie Edington

Extracurricular Activities: Football 4 years; Basketball 4 years; Baseball 4 years; FFA Member 4 years; Ag Judging 4 years; Parliamentary Pro. 1 year

Awards: Football 2nd Team All-district WR Junior; 1st Team All-district TE Senior; Basketball Honorable Mention All-district Sophomore; 2nd Team All-district Junior; 1st Team All-district Senior; Baseball 1st Team All-district Pitcher Sophomore and Junior

Future Plans: I plan to attend Tarleton State University where there I will study to be an educator.



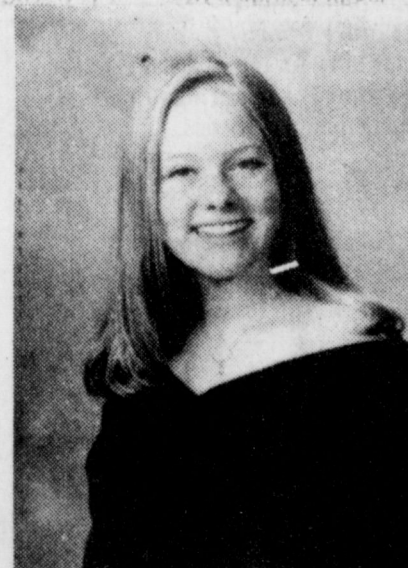
ROWDY DILLARD

Son of Dean Dillard

Extracurricular Activities: FFA Member 4 years; FHA Member 4 years; Ag Judging 4 years; Class Rep. 1 year

Awards: Most Improved Junior

Future Plans: My future plans are to attend Howard County College and major in Ag education.

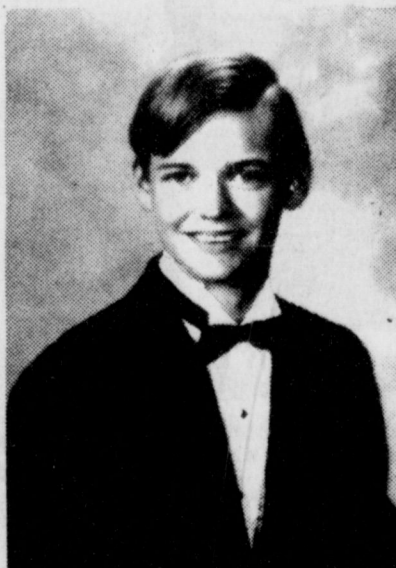


ASHLEY BEGGS

Daughter of Rex and Edith Beggs

Extracurricular Activities: Cheerleader 3 years; Band 1 year; Flag Corps 1 year; Basketball 4 years; Track 2 years; Golf 2 years; Student Council 1 year; FFA Member 1 year; FHA Member 2 years; Class Officer 2 years

Awards: Class Favorite Sophomore and Junior; Football Sweetheart Junior; 2nd Team All-district Sophomore; 1st Team All-district Junior; Head Cheerleader Junior; Reg. Qualifier 400 relay Sopho-



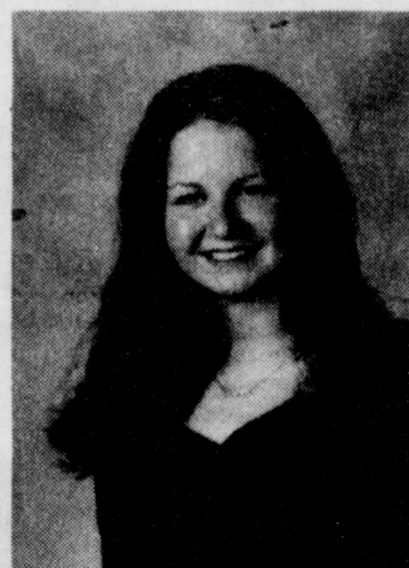
JERRY BLAND

Son of Allen and Karen Bland

Extracurricular Activities: Football 1 year; Basketball 1 year; Tennis 1 year; PALS 1 year; UIL 1 year; Student Council 1 year; Top Academic 3 years

Awards: English Best Student Freshman; Science Best Student Freshman; Computer Best Student Sophomore; Computer Best Student Junior

Future Plans: Undecided



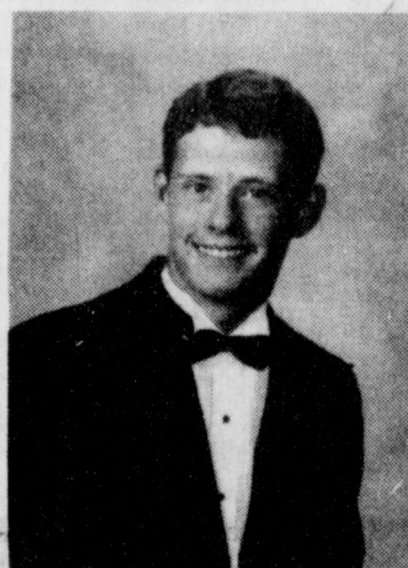
JESSICA CHILDERS

Daughter of Gary and Debra Childers

Extracurricular Activities: Drum Major 1 year; Band 4 years; Flag Corps 3 years; Basketball 3 years; Track 1 year; OAP 3 years; Student Council 2 years

Awards: Most Improved Junior; Honorable Mention OAP Junior and Senior; Band Concert Freshman, Sophomore, Junior and Senior; Marching Band Freshman, Sophomore, Junior and Senior

Future Plans: Cisco Junior College 2 years; 4 year college to major in elementary education

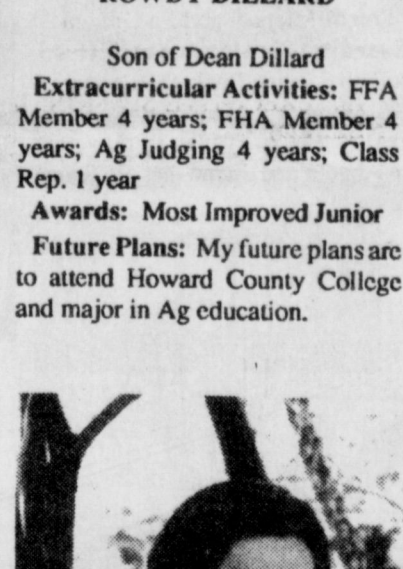


LANCE CONNELLY

Son of Chris and Cynthia Connelly

Extracurricular Activities: FFA Member 3 years; FHA Member 3 years

Future Plans: Undecided



JOLENA FLEMING

Daughter of Jim and Charlene Fleming

Extracurricular Activities: Cheerleader 4 years; Basketball 4 years; Tennis 4 years; NHS 3 years; Student Council 1 year; FFA Member 4 years; Ag Judging 4 years; Top Academic 4 years; Class Officer 1 year

Awards: "Scott Cheshier Memorial" Highest Academic Athlete Freshman and Junior; "Billy Brown" 100% Athletic Award Junior; Star Greenhand Freshman; Star Chapter Farmer Sophomore; Lone Star FFA Degree Junior; Basketball District Champs Sophomore, Junior and Senior; Basketball Bi-district Champs Sophomore, Junior and Senior; Basketball Area Champs Junior;



BRIAN DOSIER

Son of Carolyn and Barney Dosier

Extracurricular Activities: Golf 4 years

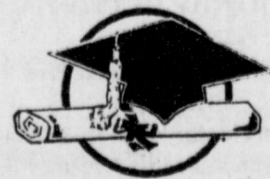
Future Plans: I joined the US Marine Corps April 3 and I will be leaving for bootcamp September 20.



AMANDA DILLARD

Daughter of Donnie and Barbara Dillard

Extracurricular Activities: Cheerleader 4 years; Band 1 year; Basketball 4 years; Tennis 4 years; NHS 3 years; Student Council 2



Congratulations Chance & Lance!! We're very proud of you both. Good luck in the future. We love you's! Mom, Dad, Clint, Dusty.

Congratulations Coby! We love you! Dad, Mom, Brian, Justin, Misty, Chris & Cory.

Mindy, We're so very proud of you and your accomplishments. Please depend on the Lord with all your heart and all your might and He will provide. Love Mom & Dad.

Congratulations Rachel! We're so proud of you and all your accomplishments. Good luck in the future. Love Mom, Dad & Robert.

Jeremy, We are so proud of you with your great mind and gentle heart. We know you will go far in life. Good luck and enjoy! Love always, Momma, Daddy, Cole, Brandon & Lance.

Miracles do happen! We're excited and happy, that you've reached this milestone. Let your strong will, determination and sense of humor help you through the challenges ahead. We're always here for you. Love Mom, Dad & Melissa.

Mom, Dad, Nikki & Tony Beggs
Allen, Karen, Wayne & Becky Bland
Dianne Hail
Mike & Ann Knott
Dad & Dillon
Ron, Connie, Scott, Angie & Steven
Jim, Charlene, Jason, Alan & Family
Tony, Terry, Toni Mae & Joe Dalton Wyatt

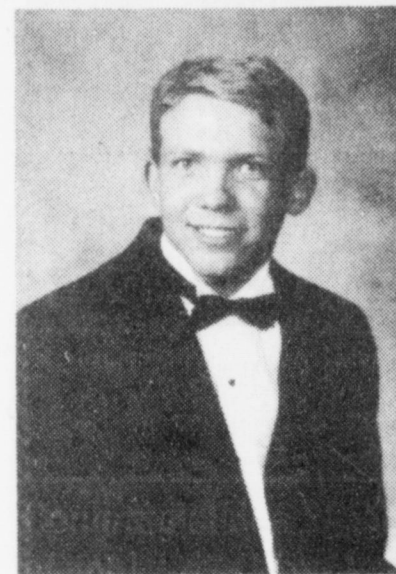
Congratulations Benji! We're really proud of you. We love you! Papa, Mimi, Mom, John & David.

Congratulations Graduate

1999

Cheerleader Captain Sophomore; Top Student in Class Freshman, Sophomore, Junior and Senior; Class Valedictorian Senior; Who's Who in Academics Freshman, Sophomore, Junior and Senior; Goat Proficiency Award Junior; State Qualifying Judging Teams Freshman, Sophomore, Junior and Senior; Most Dependable Junior and Senior; Most Likely to Succeed Senior; Most Sophisticated; Senior

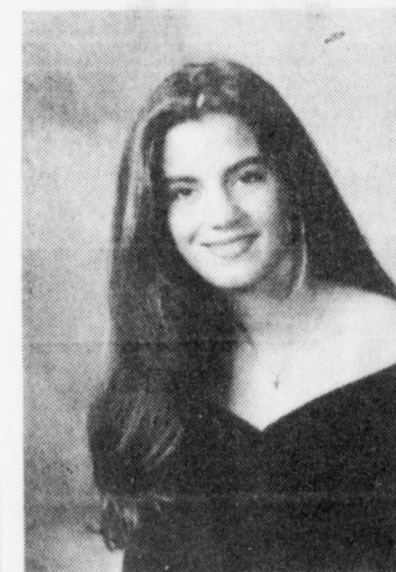
Future Plans: I plan to attend Texas Tech University in the fall and major in animal science.



NIKKI FREE

Son of Ann Knott
Extracurricular Activities: FFA Member 4 years; FHA Member 3 years

Awards: Most Improved Junior
Future Plans: I plan to attend college.



WHITNEY GILES

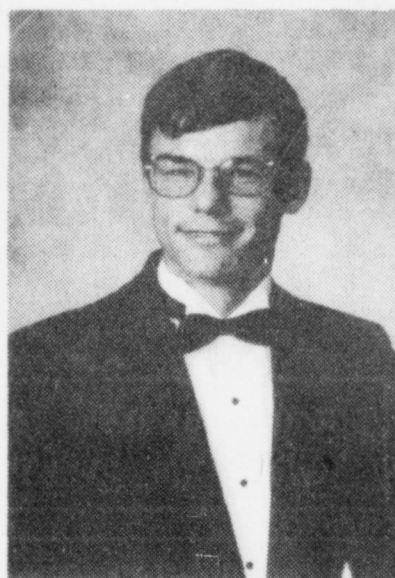
Daughter of Denise Coulter and Jeff Giles

Extracurricular Activities: Basketball 4 years; Cross Country 1 year; Track 4 years; Golf 3 years; NHS 3 years; OAP 1 year; Student Council 2 years; FFA Member 1 year; FHA Member 1 year; Ag Judging 1 year; Top Academic 4 years; Personality 1 year; Class Officer 1 year

Awards: 2nd Runner-up Most Beautiful Senior; Basketball Honorable Mention All-district Freshman;

Second Team All-district Sophomore; 1st Team All-district Junior and Senior; 1st Team All Big Country Junior; 2nd Team All-Region Junior and Senior; All Tournament Gorman Junior; 2nd Team All Tournament Abilene Senior; Best Conversationalist Spanish Sophomore; Most Outstanding Spanish Sophomore and Junior; Top three students Junior; Class President Sophomore; Student Council Reporter/Historian Junior and Senior; Regional Qualifier Track Sophomore, Junior and Senior; Most Outstanding History Freshman

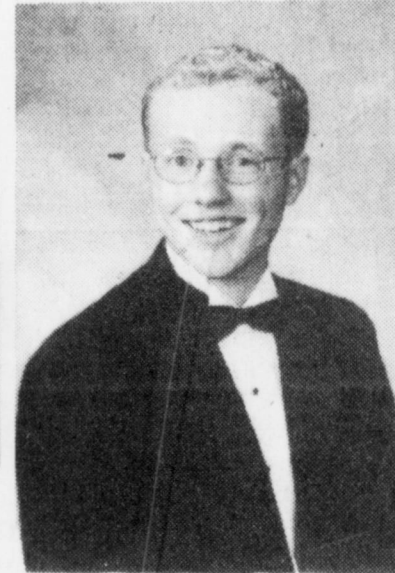
Future Plans: I plan to attend college and major in business.



JEREMY GILLIAM

Son of Michael and Ila Gilliam
Extracurricular Activities: Football 3 years; Basketball 4 years; FHA Member 3 years

Future Plans: I plan to move to San Angelo and attend Angelo State University.



BRICE HAIL

Son of Dianne Hail
Extracurricular Activities: Football 2 years; Tennis 1 year; Track 1 year; OAP 2 years; FFA Member 1 year; FHA Member 1 year; Ag Judging 1 year

Awards: Tennis medals Freshman; Track medals Freshman; OAP Awards Senior

Future Plans: Go to college at University of Texas at Arlington as a theatre arts major.

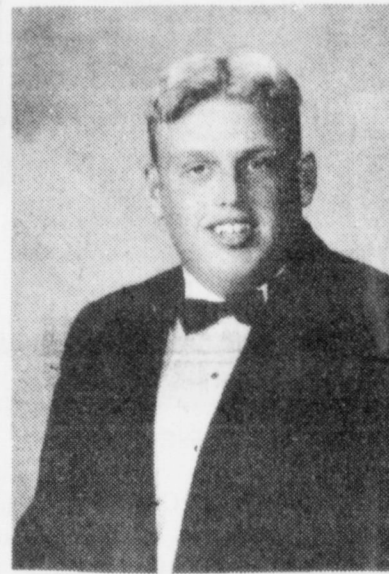


CHANDRA HEATH

Daughter of Glenn Heath
Extracurricular Activities: FFA Member 1 year; FHA Member 3 years; Personality 1 year; Class Officer 1 year

Awards: Class President Junior; Homecoming Queen Nominee Junior; 1st Runner-up Most Beautiful Senior; 1st Runner-up Miss CPHS Senior

Future Plans: undecided

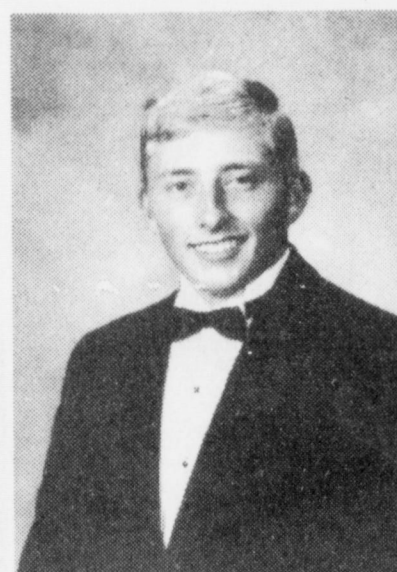


DUSTY HINKLE

Son of David and Jana Hinkle
Extracurricular Activities: Football 4 years; Basketball 3 years; Tennis 2 years; Track 1 year; Baseball 4 years; Student Council 1 year; FFA Member 2 years; FHA Member 1 year; Ag Judging 1 year; Buff Buddies 2 years

Awards: Football Honorable Mention OL Junior; 2nd Team All-district OL Senior; 2nd Team All-district Baseball Junior

Future Plans: I plan to attend Tarleton State University and major in law enforcement or physical education.

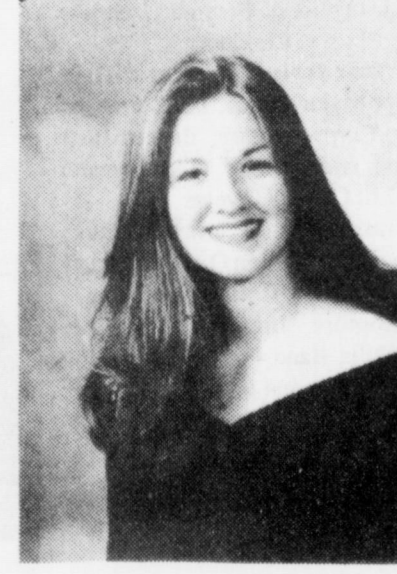


JOSEPH HOPKINS

Son of H.D. and Tricia Hopkins
Extracurricular Activities: Football 4 years; Tennis 4 years; NHS 3 years; OAP 2 years; Student Council 2 years; FFA Member 4 years; Ag Judging 4 years; Parliamentary Pro. 1 year; Top Academic 4 years; Class Officer 1 year; Spanish Club 2 years

Awards: Academic letter Freshman, Sophomore, Junior and Senior; 3rd District Tennis Singles Senior; 3rd District Tennis Doubles Freshman and Sophomore; 2nd District Tennis Doubles Junior; Outstanding Student Eng. III Junior; Honorable Mention OL Football Junior; 1st Team All-district DL Junior; B-District Champs Football Junior; 1st Team All-district OL Senior; 2nd Team All-district DE Senior; State Qualifier Ag Judging Freshman, Sophomore, Junior and Senior; National Leadership Merit Award Senior; All-American Scholar Sophomore, Junior and Senior; USA Football Team Senior; All Star Cast Zone OAP Senior; National English Merit Award Senior; Top 3 Over a Tennis Tourney Freshman, Sophomore, Junior and Senior

Future Plans: I plan to attend Tarleton State University in the fall and pursue a degree in Earth Science.



BRANDY HUTTON

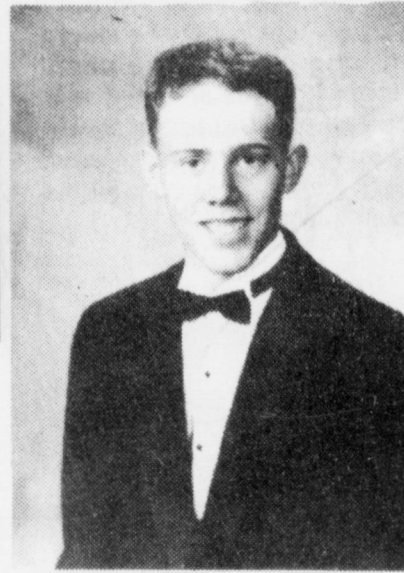
Daughter of Lynn and Pam Hutton

Extracurricular Activities: Basketball 4 years; Tennis 4 years; FFA Member 1 year; FHA Member 3 years; Ag Judging 1 year

Awards: Tennis 3rd District Sophomore, Junior and Senior; 2nd Santa Anna Junior and Senior; 1st Brownwood Junior and Senior; 2nd

CP Sophomore and Senior; 2nd Breckenridge Sophomore; Most Friendly Senior; 10th State Ag Judging Dairy Production Senior

Future Plans: I plan to attend CJC and get my basic classes and then transfer to a university.

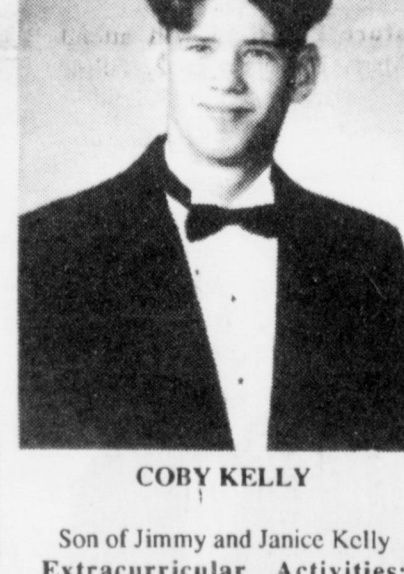


JUSTIN JAMES

Son of Gay Ferguson
Extracurricular Activities: Band 1 year; FFA Member 3 years; FHA Member 2 years; Ag Judging 3 years

Awards: Land Judging Sophomore and Junior; Most Improved Junior

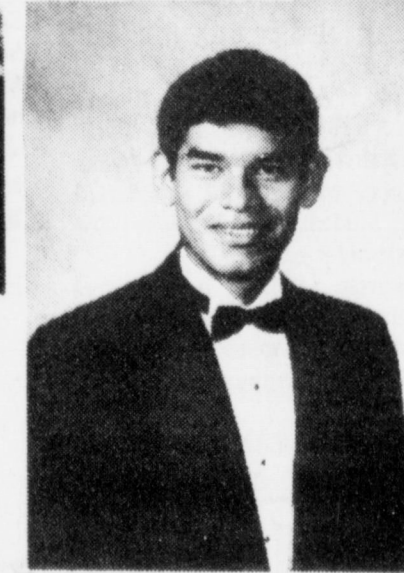
Future Plans: To become an electrician.



COBY KELLY

Son of Jimmy and Janice Kelly
Extracurricular Activities: Football 1 year; Track 1 year; FHA Member 3 years

Future Plans: Undecided

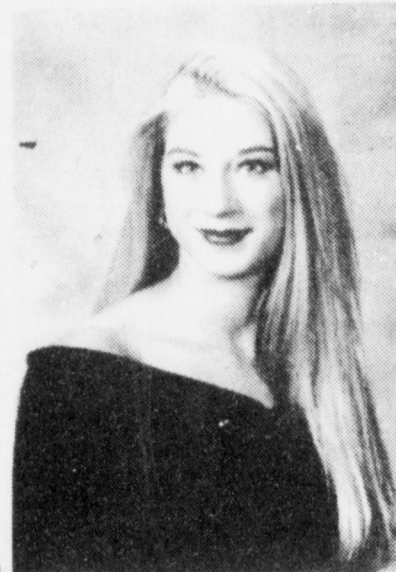


JAIME MAURICIO

Son of Angel and Marina Mauricio

Extracurricular Activities: Football 2 years

Future Plans: Go to college



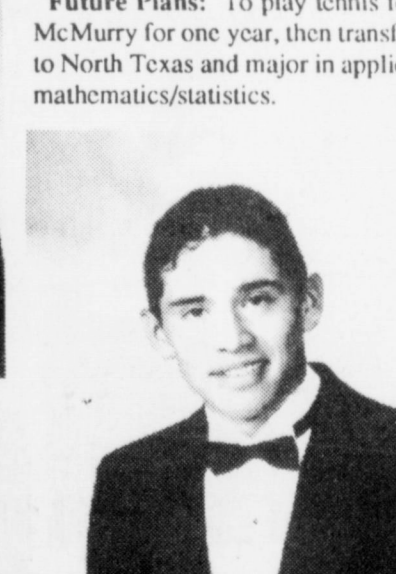
MINDY MITCHELL

Daughter of Dale and Myrna Mitchell

Extracurricular Activities: Basketball 4 years; Tennis 4 years; NHS 3 years; FFA Member 1 year; Ag Judging 1 year; Top Academic 4 years; Student of Month 4 years

Awards: Tennis Regional Qualifier Freshman, Sophomore, Junior and Senior; State Qualifier Junior and Senior; Buffalo Best Freshman, Junior and Senior; Basketball Honorable Mention Freshman; Basketball First Team All-district Sophomore, Junior and Senior; Best Conversationalist Spanish Sophomore and Junior; Best Student Spanish Freshman, Sophomore and Junior; Best Student Trig. Junior; Best Student English Freshman and Sophomore; Top 3 Student Freshman, Sophomore, Junior and Senior; Salutatorian Senior

Future Plans: To play tennis for McMurry for one year, then transfer to North Texas and major in applied mathematics/statistics.



VENTURA MONRREAL III

Son of Ventura II and Esmeralda Monrreal

Extracurricular Activities: Football 1 year; Track 2 years; NHS 2 years; Student Council Senior Rep. 1 year; FFA Member 3 years; Ag Judging 3 years; Top Academic 1 year; Student of Month 1 year; Personality 1 year; Class Officer 2 years; Spanish Club 3 years

Awards: 2nd Runner-up Mr. CPHS; All American Scholar Sophomore, Junior and Senior; Who's Who In Track Junior; National English Merit Award Senior; National Leadership Merit Award Senior; National Minority Leadership Merit Award Senior; Academic Letter Freshman, Sophomore, Junior and Senior; State Qualifier Dairy Cattle Junior and Senior; 10th High

Congratulations Elizabeth! We're really proud of you! Love Mom & from all of your family.

We love you Rowdy! From Daddy, Vicki, Jennifer, Bronc, China & Cutter.

Congratulations Joseph! We're really proud of you. Love Mom, Dad, Justin, Joshua, Jonathan.

Congratulations on all your accomplishments! We're so proud of you! Love Dad, Mom & Stephanie.

Congratulations Amanda! We're proud of you! Love Mom, Dad, Lori, Donnie, Joseph & Cody.

Congratulations Dusty! We're proud of you! We love you. Mom & Dad.

We are proud of you Sam! Stand firm in your beliefs and always remember whose you are! Love Mom, Dad, Sarah & the rest of your family.

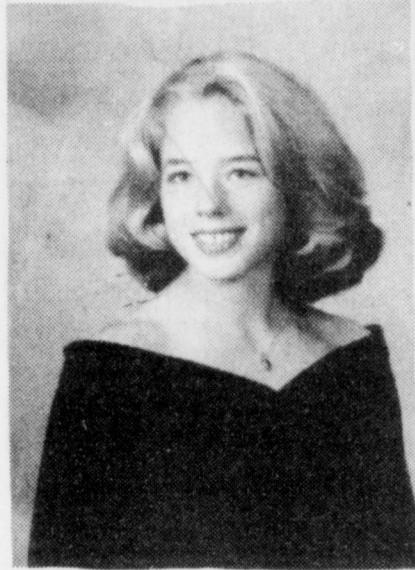
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1999

Individual Area IV Dairy Cattle Senior

Future Plans: I plan on going to Tarleton State University this fall, where I've already been accepted and major in animal science. I will minor in computer science. When I graduate with a Bachelor of Science degree in animal science, I will apply to the veterinary school at Texas A&M, College Station.



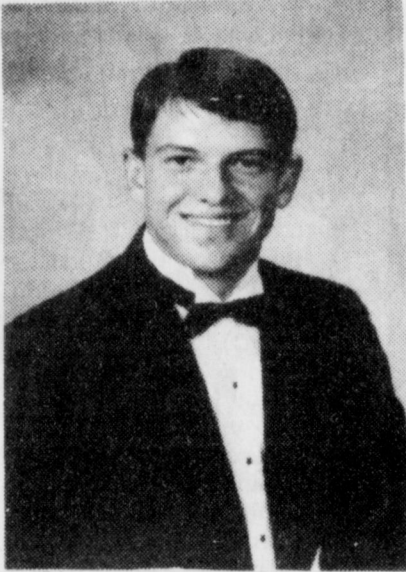
ELIZABETH MCCARTY

Daughter of Sandra Moore and Eddy McCarty

Extracurricular Activities: Cheerleader 2 years; Band 1 year; Flag Corps 1 year; Basketball 4 years; Cross Country 4 years; Track 3 years; Golf 2 years; OAP 1 year; Personality 1 year

Awards: Cross Country Regional Qualifier Sophomore, Junior and Senior; Track Regional Qualifier Sophomore; Basketball District Champs Sophomore, Junior and Senior; Bi-district Champs Junior and Senior; Area Junior; Who's Who Junior and Senior; Cheerleader Sophomore and Junior; Principal's Honor Roll Senior

Future Plans: Attend school at CJC for my basics, then study computer drafting for advertising.

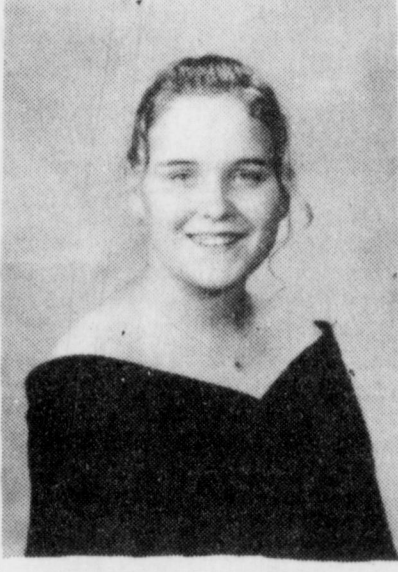


SAM NIXON

Son of Leon and Terry Nixon
Extracurricular Activities: Football 4 years; Basketball 4 years; Tennis 4 years; Track 2 years; Baseball 2 years; NHS 3 years; Student Council 1 year; FFA Member 4 years; Ag Judging 4 years; Parliamentary Pro. 2 years; Top Academic 4 years; Student of Month 1 year; Personality 1 year; Class Officer 2 years; FFA Officer 3 years; Academic Letter 4 years

Awards: Outstanding Spanish Sophomore and Junior; Outstanding History Freshman; State Ag Qualifier Freshman, Sophomore, Junior and Senior; Basketball Academic All-district Senior; Honorable Mention Senior; Football Honorable Mention OL Senior; All-district Lionheart Award Senior; Regional Qualifier Track Sophomore

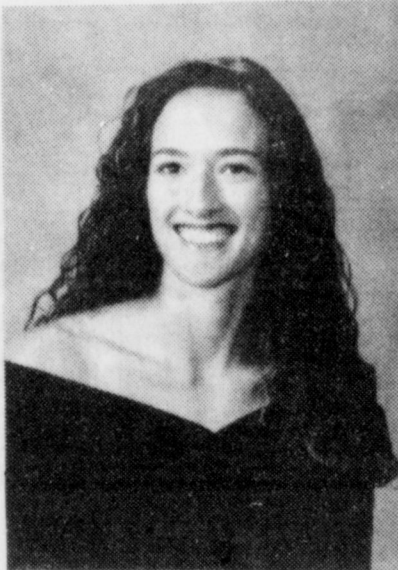
Future Plans: I will attend McMurry University in the fall of 1999 where I will begin working on a major in sports medicine.



SOMMER RAMSEY

Daughter of Barbara Haynes
Extracurricular Activities: FFA Member 2 years; FHA Member 2 years; Ag Judging 2 years

Future Plans: I plan to go to Howard College in Big Spring and study psychology.



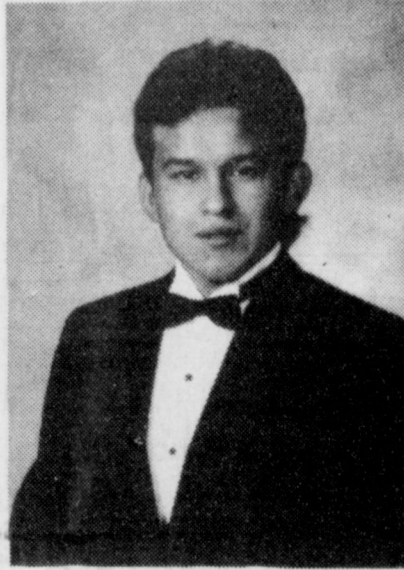
LAURA RICCI

Daughter of Ron and Connie Ricci

Extracurricular Activities: Basketball 4 years; Cross Country 3 years; Track 4 years; NHS 3 years; OAP 2 years; Student Council 1 year; FFA Member 2 years; Ag Judging 2 years; Personality 1 year; Academic Letter 4 years

Awards: Best Conversationalist Sophomore; Outstanding Student Spanish Sophomore; Outstanding Student Geog. Sophomore; Outstanding Student Health Freshman; Outstanding Student Art Junior; All-district 1st Team Freshman and Sophomore; Dist. MVP Junior and Senior; All-Region 1st Team Junior and Senior; All-State 2nd Team Senior; All-Area Super Team Junior; Co-Athlete of the Year Sophomore; Academic All-district Senior; State Qualifier Track Sophomore; State Alternate Track Freshman and Senior; Regional Qualifier Track Freshman, Sophomore, Junior and Senior; Regional Qualifier Cross Country Freshman, Sophomore and Senior; State Alternate Cross Country Freshman

Future Plans: I will attend Hardin Simmons University in the fall and play basketball for them. My predicted majors will be in sports medicine and physical education.



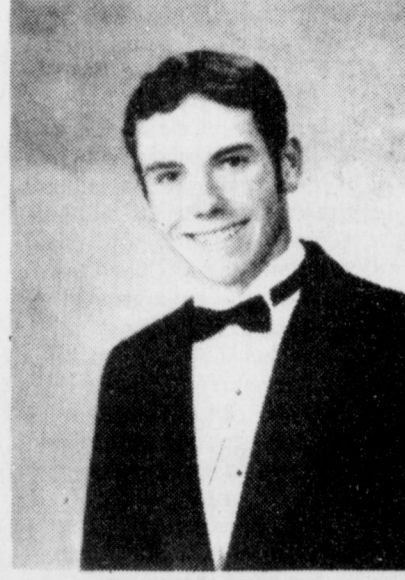
REYMUNDO REYES

Son of Reymundo Reyes

Extracurricular Activities: Football 1 year; FFA Member 2 years; FHA Member 3 years

Awards: English Sophomore and Junior

Future Plans: Probably attend TSTC and get a certificate in autobody repair.

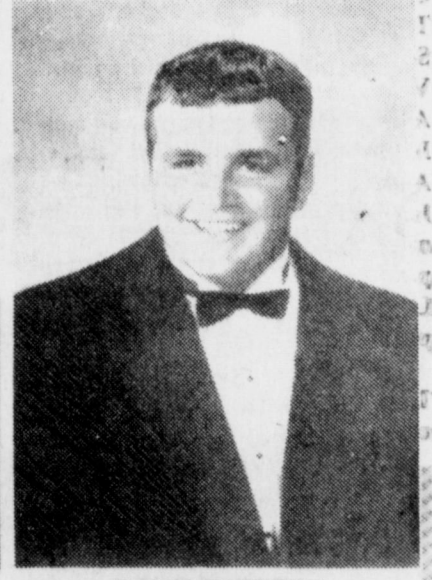


CLAREN SLIGER

Son of David and Lenell Sliger
Extracurricular Activities: NHS 3 years; FFA Member 4 years; Ag Judging 4 years

Awards: Skills Award Freshman, Sophomore, Junior and Senior; Poultry Judging Freshman and Sophomore; Land Judging Junior; FFA Officer Freshman; Lone Star Farmer Junior; Stock Show Freshman, Sophomore, Junior and Senior

Future Plans: My future plans are to work and go to school at CJC to further my education.



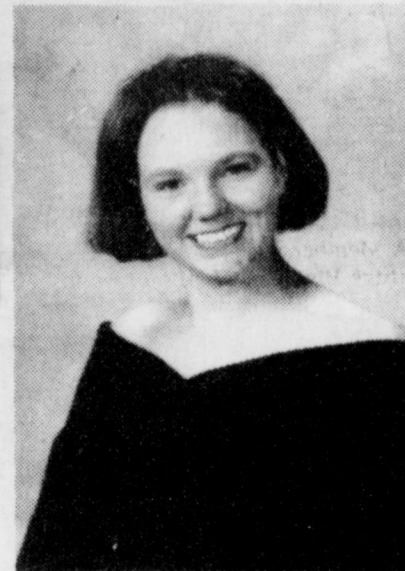
BENJI SWITZER

Son of Belinda Peters and Lonnie and Martha Switzer

Extracurricular Activities: Football 4 years; Basketball 2 years; Track 4 years; FFA Member 4 years; FHA Member 2 years; Ag Judging 4 years; Student of Month 2 years; Buff Buddies 2 years

Awards: Honorable Mention Defense Junior; All Tournament Sophomore; Gorman Panthers Tournament Sophomore; 1st Team All-district OT Senior; 2nd Team All-district Noseguard Senior

Future Plans: I plan to go 4 years to Tarleton State University.



RACHEL SMITH

Daughter of Vernon and Becky Smith

Extracurricular Activities: Band 3 years; FFA Member 4 years; Ag Judging 2 years; Top Academic 1 year

Awards: Ag Judging 3rd place Sophomore; Outstanding Alg. I Freshman; Most Improved Freshman

Future Plans: I plan to go to Ranger College and get my LVN license and eventually become an RN.



LEAJEON WYATT

Daughter of Tony and Terry Wyatt

Extracurricular Activities: Band 4 years; Flag Corps 4 years; Basketball 4 years; Mgr. Boys's Basketball 3 years; Cross Country 3 years; Track 4 years; OAP 3 years; Student Council 3 years; FFA Member 4 years; Ag Judging 2 years; Parliamentary Pro. 1 year; Top Academic 2 years

Awards: Band Sweetheart Senior; Principal Honor Roll Junior and Senior; Greenhand Officer Freshman; Student Council V. Pres. Junior; Class Officer V. Pres. Junior; JV Basketball District Champs Freshman, Sophomore and Junior; Varsity Basketball District Champs Senior; Principals Awards Sophomore and Junior; Outstanding Band Student Senior

Future Plans: I plan on attending Texas A&M at Galveston in July. I will be studying marine science and biology. Afterwards I will work for a BS and study marine animals and sea life.



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JUST A FEW OF THE NEON FOR LEON VOLUNTEERS — Kathy Eoff (from left), Nora Odom, Teri Hunter, Kim Woerner, Paula Winfrey and Paulette Foster.



BRISKET AND CHICKEN LUNCH — A large crowd ate and fellowshiped.



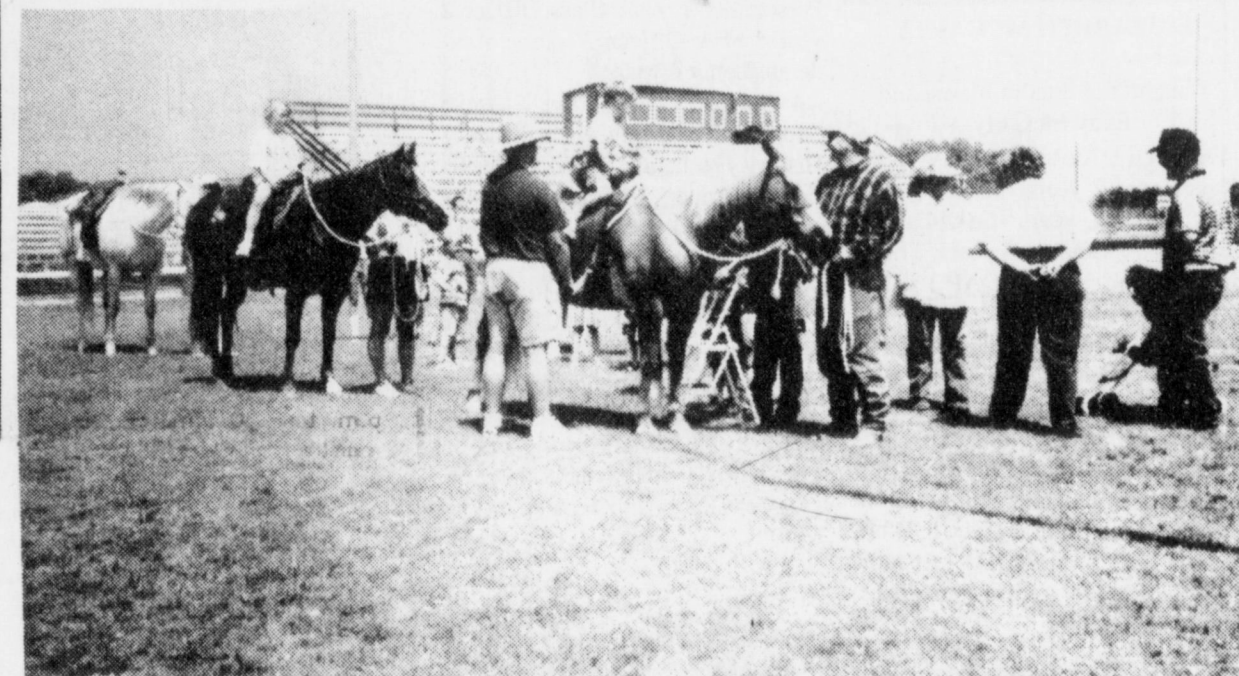
MUSICAL ENTERTAINMENT — Sharon and Jerry Lewis.



FISHERS OF MEN — Tim Pipes' acappella group. Tim is pictured on the right.



RAFFLE ITEMS — The crowd enjoyed choosing items they wanted to win and visiting with each other.



HORSE RIDES — Judy Dixon of Dixon Horse Farm provided the animals for children to ride. The horses are a part of Camp Hero which is available to handicapped children.



WHAT'S YOUR BID? — The cake auction proved a great fundraiser. Pictured are Jackie Tennison (from left), Bob Golson, Tony Wyatt and Jason Kempf.

Benefit For Leon Nixon

KIX Chuck wagon cooked sausage wraps and barbecue sandwiches. Village Market donated the ingredients and the home economics classes baked the big cookies for the concession stand. One cake prepared by Vicki Dillard and purchased by her husband, Dean, brought \$1,000 and was sold again to Andy Sanders for an additional \$250. The crowd enjoyed the cake auction under the direction of Bob Golson. Spotters, Jackie Tennison, Steve Jamison and Tony Wyatt added spice. Throughout the day excellent Christian music was performed by Jerry and Sharon Lewis; Fishers of Men (Mr. and Mrs. Bob Pipe's son, Tim's group); Rejoice consisting of Myrna Mitchell, Twyla Felty, Sheri Bennett, Jacque Childress and Beverly Ross; and Billy Bob White and His Warrior Worship. Words of praise to the Lord were joyfully delivered through their music. The Cross Plains I.S.D. facilities afforded the perfect location for the

benefit and its availability was greatly appreciated. Beautiful prayers were offered on Leon's behalf throughout the day. Joe Coppinger's prayer was especially touching, as he is a cancer survivor. There was a miscommunication concerning the time the motivational speaker Jon Randles was to speak, but he arrived at 5:00 p.m. A small but dedicated group heard his powerful message. Randles is the former pastor of Indiana Avenue Baptist Church in Lubbock. In 1993, he resigned to begin the Jon Randles Evangelistic Association. He now travels and speaks to churches and conferences across the country. It normally requires two years to book Mr. Randles for an event. He became available in two weeks for the Neon for Leon benefit. Mr. Randles had just returned from Columbine High School where had been booked for two years. He was scheduled to speak just following

the terrible incident and has spent time counseling with students, etc. His message was moving as he talked about choosing an anchor of love or hate. He has the ability to move individuals for the good of God and his words touched the hearts of those present. Mr. Randle praised our community for their efforts and encouraged everyone to continue in a positive direction. He remarked that this should not be the last event of its kind. However, this was one of many already held -- proving Cross Plains is A Caring Community. The benefit was very emotional, spiritual and best of all everyone worked together for a common goal. Leon was able to enjoy the benefit all day, attend church Sunday morning and haccalaureate services for his son Sunday evening. The prayers have already strengthened him. Praise the Lord!

Town Meeting

business employing five is anticipated. Dr. Curtis Creach, a veterinarian, will be locating in Cross Plains and is currently providing services on a mobile basis. 36 West Motel has been purchased by Gene Thompson of White Settlement, who has built motels in Baird and Albany and renovated the Herford Motel in Albany. He is currently renovating the local motel which will be reopening in the near future. A speculation building is being discussed. This is a building basically ready for a new business to move in with little construction. This would be a great calling card for some new industry. The Sidewalk Project is a shining example of positive progress. Julene Franke delivered a brief update. The City of Cross Plains was complimented on their financial assistance on additional sidewalks. The possibility of a Phase III which might extend the sidewalks north from downtown to the school was discussed and hopefully will transpire. Julene was praised for her persistence in completing the project. Richard Chaffin presented a report on the housing situation. The Cross Plains Housing Initiative has been successful in accepting 27 applications. Eight grants are complete and others are in various stages of progression. Mary Graves was credited with the success of this program. Her experience has been instrumental. This has also provided a market for local contractors. The group commented that the

cooperation between residents and the city has been great since the original assessment. The city has paved Avenue A and 12th Street and plans to seal-coat a couple of existing roads each year. Traci Evans, the high school computer instructor, reported on progress made at the school in obtaining computers and additional computer classes provided. A \$98,000 grant following the fire furnished computers for two computer labs and every classroom has a computer. A scanner was purchased with the proceeds from a cookbook sale. The students are familiar with internet and are learning to make their own web pages. Miss Evans has held two computer classes for the general public and plans another for this summer. The Cross Plains Public Library is proud of their recent move to automation and it was remarked that our local library's services are exceptional. There is a plan to extend internet access from one terminal to three. The north side of the Senior Citizens Center is presently being prepared for a mural which will add to the attractiveness of downtown. Joe McFarland and Ronnie Boston, members of the assessment team from a year ago, were impressed by the progress. They noted the words partnership and coalition were frequently used in reporting the various accomplishments. One of the main strengths of the community was the people and a good core group has proved to be the heart of the growth.

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Here are their addresses:

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George W. Bush, Governor, Room 200, State Capitol, Austin, TX 78711.
Jim Keffer, District 60 State Representative, P.O. Box 2910 Office #E2.802, Austin, TX 78768-2910 or call (512) 463-0656.

Washington
Bill Clinton, President of the United States, The White House, Washington, D.C. 20000.
Charles Stenholm, Congressman, 17th Texas District, 1211 Longworth House Office Building, Washington, D.C. 20515.
Phil Gramm, U.S. Senator, Room 370, Russell Building, Washington, D.C. 20510-4302.
Kay Bailey Hutchison, U.S. Senator, Room 703, Hart Building, Washington, D.C. 20510-4301.

Texarkana College Coach to Hold Softball Clinic in Cisco

Rob Baker, head coach for Texarkana College softball program, will be holding a softball clinic June 5th at the Cisco Ball Park. This clinic is open to surrounding area towns. This will be an all day clinic, beginning at 9:00 a.m. the fee for participants in this clinic will be \$25.

1999-2000 is the third year for the Texarkana College Lady Dawgs Softball program and the third year for Head Coach Rob Baker at the helm of the program. Prior to coaching at Texarkana College, Baker has been a baseball coach, an instructor of English, and an associate professor of English. Baker began his coaching career as an assistant varsity baseball coach and head junior varsity baseball coach at Ranger College. Upon earning his master's degree from Tarleton State University, Baker retired from coaching to pursue a career in teaching. After teaching at Texarkana College for 9 years, he began the softball program at that institution.

Coach Baker focuses on hitting as his area of expertise. He believes that any girl can hit if the proper fundamentals are observed. His teams have carried team batting averages of .300, with many girls hitting .400 or better.

Barry Murdock is in his second year as Texarkana College Lady Dawgs assistant softball coach. Employed full time as Director of Facilities by Texarkana College, all of Murdock's work as coach is on a voluntary basis. Prior to coaching at TC, Murdock coached summer league traveling teams for two years out of Hooks, Texas—the Sports Magic Twins. However, Murdock now recruits for the Lady

Dawgs during his summers.

Coach Murdock is an excellent teacher of fielding fundamentals, both infield and outfield. Some of his past players have been voted Second Team All-Conference and Honorable Mention All-Conference in the Region XIV, Texas Eastern Athletic Conference, a conference which has received national recognition as being one of the toughest conferences in the nation. Coach Murdock is known for his non-sense approach to coaching.

Bill Baker, former Ranger Junior College pitching coach, will be covering the pitching station at this clinic. Bill is one of the best known coaches in this area for helping produce good softball pitchers.

He has turned out five All American softball pitchers in his coaching career. Many of his players have gone on to play for Division I colleges. Bill pitched for ten years on a mens fastpitch travel team "The El Paso Naturals."

Bill does private pitching lessons in two locations, Cisco softball field and Clyde softball field.

Jerry Doyle, coach of the former Heartbeats tournament team in Eastland, also coached as an assistant at Ranger Jr. College for four years under Bill Baker and Ron Butler. Jerry was with the Heartbeat team for six years. This team won several tournaments, the District tournament finished 3rd in the state, and was invited to National Tournament at Tulsa, Okla.

It is advised to pre-register as this clinic will fill up fast. For information on this clinic contact Beatrice Ingram 442-2471; 442-4620 (work) or Judy Posey 442-4594.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Dear Editor:

Too many Texans still die in drunk driving crashes. Sadly, in fact, Texas leads the nation in alcohol-related traffic fatalities. In 1997, the number of alcohol-related deaths on the roads in Texas along accounted for more than 10 percent of the nation's total. But, it's time for a change and Texans are ready and waiting.

A recent statewide poll reported that the majority of Texans think current drunk driving laws are too lenient and that drivers who fail the sobriety test or refuse a police officer's request to take the test should have their driver's license suspended for longer periods than the current law allows. Overwhelmingly, 86 percent of Texans favor a one-year guaranteed license suspension period for repeat offenders.

Texas lawmakers have a chance to help turn the tide by adopting Senate Bill 1774, authored by state Sen. Judith Zaffirini of Laredo. The bill

lengthens the suspension period for second offenders and for those who refuse a sobriety test. The bill in its current form also allows officers to confiscate a driver's license upon arrest.

A wide cross section of organizations has thrown support behind the bill including Texas MADD; The Century Council, which is funded by America's leading distillers: the Texas District and County Attorneys Association; the Texas Medical Association; the Texas Academy of Family Physicians; USAA; the Texas Police Chief Association; AAA-Texas and other groups committed to reducing the number of alcohol-related fatalities in Texas.

Texans deserve, and want, safer streets and public opinion has swung firmly in favor of tougher laws to achieve them. Legislators have a great opportunity in SB 1774. The people of Texas deserve it.

Sincerely
John C. Lawn

Johnson & Wales University Awards Degree

CHARLESTON, S.C.—Johnson and Wales University will award degrees to the 1999 associate and baccalaureate degree candidates on Friday, May 22.

Laura D. Molloy Richard will receive her A.S. in Culinary Arts.

Summer School at CJC

Registration for the first summer session at the Cisco Junior College will be as follows:

Abilene Educational Center registration at 841 N. Judge Ely will be held on May 20 from 8:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. and from 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. On May 21, registration will be held from 8:30 a.m. to 12:00 noon (Call (915) 673-4567 for full information.)

Cisco campus registration will be held on May 24 from 8:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. and from 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. (Call (254) 442-2567 for full information.)

Cisco Junior College will register students at the Breckenridge location on May 18 at 6:00 p.m. at the TSTC Center. (Call (254) 442-2567 for full information.)

The first class day is May 24 for classes at all locations.

Girl Scouts To Host GirlsSports 2000 Fun Day Sat., June 26

Girls, are you tired of doing the same old stuff? Would you like to try your hand at something new and fun? The Heart of Texas Girl Scout Council would like to invite all girls between the ages of 6 and 12 to a GirlSports 2000 fun day on Saturday, June 26, 1999. The event will run from 8:30 a.m. to noon at the Girl Scout service center at the corner of Avenue D and First Street in Brownwood. The morning activities will cost \$5 which will include a sports bag, a patch, an award, and more.

The event will be offered to all girls (whether or not they are Girl Scouts) in Brady, Coleman, Comanche, Cross Plains, Goldthwaite and Brown County. There will be at least three different sports-related activities for girls to try and enjoy. You may have an exciting game of frisbee golf, kick a soccer ball around or enjoy a game of volleyball. The activities are designed to allow the girls to discover the fun, friendship, and power of girls together.

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Weight	Steers Price	Heifers Price	Slaughter Bulls
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400-500	82-94.50	70-80.50	30-35
500-600	78-87	68-78.50	Bred Cows
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Card Of Thanks

The Cross Plains Volunteer Fire Department would like to thank everyone that had a part in making this year's Fish Fry a great success. To the ladies of Sabanno that quilted the "Wolf Quilt", thanks you did a wonderful job. The ladies that helped prepare and serve many thanks. To the community we can't do it without you. Thank you for your on going support of the fire department. The money that is made during this annual fund-raiser is used to train and outfit the volunteers that take time out of their busy schedules to fight all types of fires and to help out during crisis. We can't thank you enough for your willingness to show up to support us during such a busy month as this May has been. **THANK YOU!**

To the bank we thank you for allowing us to hang the quilt up each year and taking the time to collect for the tickets and deposit the money for us. You are indeed a wonderful group of people, thank you so very much. If we have missed anyone please forgive us and consider that we are grateful for all that you as a community do to support us.

Thank you,
Cross Plains Volunteer Fire Department

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We would like to thank everyone who helped us in time of need at the Cottonwood Historical Annual meeting. I know I would not have been here today without the quick help of many people.

I especially want to thank Al Coppinger, Donnie and Barbara Worley and John Swift for their quick response for the EMS. To Sheri Bennett for driving our car to the hospital.

For your visits, phone calls, cards and for your prayers.

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Cross Plains is truly a caring community. It is our hope that the same outpouring of caring and love that has been shown to our family this last year will be continued to others who are in need. Our prayer is that God will bless each of you as He has blessed us through you! We love you all!

Leon, Terry, Sam and Sarah Nixon

Card of Thanks

We would like to thank all of the people who took part in the "Run for the Fans" on Saturday, May 15, during the Leon Nixon Benefit, as well as those who ran in the event last year. We extend special thanks and appreciation to Ventura Monreal and Joseph Hopkins for organizing and overseeing the event both years. You are fine and exceptional young men and both of you are an asset to our community. The efforts made on our behalf from the "Run for the Fans" events has touched our hearts and the donations were greatly appreciated. May God bless you all! We Love You,

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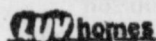
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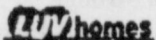
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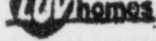
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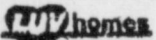
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Proclamation National Foster Care Month May 1999

Whereas, Nearly 500,00 children in American reside in foster care and

Whereas, Nearly 152,000 American families open their homes to foster children every year; and

Whereas, communities must make every effort to promote programs that benefit children and their families;

Whereas, everyone in the community should become more aware of foster families and all the services they provide to abused and neglected children to ensure that they are provided a safe, nurturing environment;

Now, Therefore, I, Roger Corn, Callahan County Judge, proclaim the month of May, 1999 to be National Foster Care Month in Callahan County and urge all citizens to recognize foster families in our community.

Signed Roger Corn
Dated this 14th day of May, 1999.

COUNTY ROADS by Ginny Greene

Crossing the line...

Remember the goat fencing episode? How much trouble we had keeping them inside the electric fence? Until it rained?

Well, recently we expanded their pasture to give them access to more browse.

When My Keeper finished installing the new fence line, he took down the old fencing. The goats didn't even notice. He wanted them to know what a nice thing he did for them, so he went out to the far corner and called them.

They didn't move or look up.

He took hold of a collar and tugged.

Nothing.

He flapped his arms and shoed them.

They kept on munching briar leaves.

He even went so far as to get the grain can and rattle it to lure them into their enlarged pasture.

They knew it was a trick. It wasn't anywhere near time for grain.

The goats ignored that former boundary all day. It was more than My Keeper could stand.

Finally, a goat passed over that invisible line. She probably knew where it was by her sense of smell, and of course the memory of an electric charge. Standing at the doorway, we could tell where the line was only by the length of the grass on each side.

Other goats followed. All except one.

Rosemary stood rooted, blocked by the invisible edge.

The others munched their way across the new field, eventually capering with joy when they found a patch of dense growth.

Several times they left the field for their familiar browse stations, and then returned for more fresh weeds. But Rosemary wouldn't budge.

Huh-unh!! No!!

She just knew the others would pay for their temerity. She lay right at the boundary, with her forelegs crossed in front of her as adamantly as any person with their feet set and arms crossed in front of them.

Rosemary rejoined the herd each time they came back over to her side. It seemed like she was telling them, You guys may have gotten through, but I'm the one who would, surely get zapped if I tried it.

After dinner I went out to them. They clustered around me. I "browsed" with them. A couple of steps, stop, munch (that was them, not me, I prefer barbequed chicken). A couple more steps and wait, then a couple more. I stared off to the south as I crossed that menacing line. Rosemary crossed it with me. I kept going, a couple of steps at a time. The others moved on. Rosemary stayed by me.

A couple more steps, and then Rosemary's eyes bulged out. Her head popped up, and her tail. Somehow she managed not to bolt. She looked at me, and back at the grass.

I pulled out my very most innocent expression, the one I had stored, leftover and unused, from my youth, probably from the one time Mama didn't catch me at the cookie jar or hitting one of my sisters. Rosemary peered at me with a questioning look.

I told her, Yes, it's OK. Honest. And I moved two more steps inward. She looked at the ground again, back at me, and over to the goats thrashing goodies from the dense, green patch. She went over to get her share.

I could hear My Keeper snickering from the doorway. He swears I talk to my critters.

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Mr. & Mrs. Bob Dean To Celebrate 50th Anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Dean were married May 18, 1949.

They will be celebrating their 50th Wedding Anniversary this Sunday, May 23. Their celebration is being hosted by their children and grandchildren between 2 p.m. and

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All family and friends are invited to attend. The only gift this couple asks for is your presence.

CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

BY BILLY HARRIS
Special Writer

The Cross Plains City Council was sworn in for new terms and it was announced that the Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs had closed its review of how grant funds were spent repairing 1994 tornado damage.

Mayor Ray Purvis issued the oath of office retuning councilmen, James Nichols, Joe Ingram and Edwin Weiss. None of the men faced any opposition in the positions and the May City elections were canceled.

Long running allegations of wrong-doing were put to rest with a letter of closure for the contract with the Texas Community Development Program of the TDHCA.

After the 1994 tornado the state agency allotted grand funds for the City of Cross Plains residents to repair damaged homes in the community.

The TCDP received complaints, from some Cross Plains citizens, of preferential disbursement of the funds and Cross Plains was charged with a conflict of interest in December of 1997.

The letter, addressed to Mayor Purvis, said that the TCDP staff had reviewed the close-out documents submitted and found them to be in compliance with federal and contractual requirements. The contract is

closed and has met all of the TCDP requirements.

TCDP spokesman Bryan Montgomery said that the matter still has to be reviewed by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development. "I don't foresee any problems with HUD," said Montgomery, when asked if there would be any problems with HUD approval.

Other items brought before the council:

The City Police and Judges reports were accepted.

Lovie Nichols told the council of complaints she has against a property owner next to some property she recently purchased. She said she had signed a formal complaint against the neighbor citing health and safety issues.

Nichols pointed out that the property owner is keeping hogs in a small area, on the land next to hers, which is not sanitary or very humane. She also mentioned that previous complaints have been filed against this property but the owner has failed to follow through with the cleanup.

Nichols asked that the City Judge and City Council continue to insure that this property is cleaned up to meet the health and safety of the surrounding community.

A motion was made by Ray Womack, seconded by Edwin Weiss, to have City Secretary Debbie Gosnell send the property owner another letter and start cleanup procedures.


Bids were opened for a new sewer jet machine, Kinlock - \$27,889 and Underground - \$24,500.

Edwin Weiss moved to table the sewer jet machine until may 18th so the specifications on the machine could be reviewed. The motion was approved after being seconded by Joe Ingram.

Cross Plains Fire Chief Bob Harrell informed the council that the Fire Department received a grant for \$2,800 to be used to purchase new bunker gear.

Edwin Weiss made a motion to pay the bills. The motion was seconded by Jerry Cassle and approved.

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