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Down Home

"The New Baby"

By VANDA ANDERSON-CREECH
Editor

Richard came in Saturday afternoon and announced that we had a "new baby" and did I want to see it? I thought one of the dogs had a calf, but he instructed me to look in the trailer.

Just what I thought, a little orphan calf. Well, he is cute--black with two white back feet, a white spot on his belly and a white tip on his tail.

The first day he couldn't see his right front leg properly. He walked with his hoof turned back, on the first joint. My heart went out to him and I thought it was painful.

Richard informed me that he was probably hurt when being delivered and he had seen them straightened out. Sure enough, Snickerfritz (Richard named him), is doing great.

It took him a while to get the hang of taking his bottle, but now he knows what it's all about. He was weak and shaky at first, but Richard says he's been running and bucking and acted like he was going to "gore" him. Ha!

Snickerfritz is in one lot and another older orphan calf, Ferdinand, was in the other lot for observation after a bout of illness. We feared that he might have lead poisoning from possibly eating on an old discarded battery. The symptoms are blindness and aggression and they don't live very long. He lucked out and only had a respiratory problem.

Ferdinand caught sight of the big bottle and recognized it right away. Richard said he came quickly to investigate and he had to hide the bottle on his way through his pen.

I don't think we give cattle enough credit for intelligence -- they remember well. Ferdinand and Rudy always came up to us in the field and didn't have any reservations. After all, we were their life-line until they could fend for themselves.

Since Snickerfritz was separated from his mama, we provided him with a good home. When Richard says, "Come on baby," I look around to see if he is talking to me or the calf.

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Revival at Believer's Fellowship March 29-31

Bob Wallace, pastor of Believer's Fellowship on East Highway 36, would like to invite the community and surrounding area to a revival March 29 through March 31 beginning at 7 p.m. nightly.

Bro. Kenneth Plumley, evangelist from New Life Refuge Church in Ballinger, will be preaching the Word of God. Come hear this dynamic evangelist. You will be blessed "Beyond Hallalujah."

New Agent Joins Jones Real Estate

Pauline Winfrey recently joined Jones Real Estate as an agent. She is a native of Brown and Eastland counties.

Pauline has two daughters, Jerrilyn Harrison of Eastland and Gwen Harrison of Terrell, and five grandchildren.

She is an active member of the First Baptist Church of Rising Star and resides on her farm near the Williams Community in Brown County. She has served as secretary for the Board of Education in the Rising Star School system.

Having been reared in this area, she is familiar with the agriculture, land and cattle industries. Pauline has 15 years experience in retail agricultural business and 32 years of sales and marketing experience.

Her sales and marketing ability, combined with a flare for fashion, prompted the idea of retail and wholesale stores featuring ladies clothing, jewelry and accessories. In 1977, she opened the doors to her first store. Years later, four additional stores were founded.

Pauline's daughters were active in the business in the early years, working as sales representatives and buyers, and attending markets in New York, Rhode Island and Los Angeles, California.

She and additional sales personnel traveled a portion of the United States to display and sell the lines of jewelry to department stores, drug stores, cosmetic shops and small specialty shops. The company name was Honey Bee Fashions and was based in Eastland.

Pauline will utilize her skills and experience to serve the people in the area and will strive to assist with all their real estate needs. She plans to display the same enthusiasm and confidence in this endeavor as she has in the past.

Volunteers needed for Little League and T-ball

Dean Dillard, past Little League president, is calling a meeting for anyone interested in helping with Little League and T-Ball this year.

There will be a meeting Monday, March 27, 7:00 p.m. at Jean's Feedbar. We need volunteers for all areas - coaching - officers etc.

We are getting a very late start on organizing this years league so please pass the word about this meeting. This program benefits our children so let's pull together for our kids.

Submitted by Vicki Dillard

Tradesday Saturday, March 25 in Cross Plains

It's just around the corner, Tradesday 2000!

The Cross Plains Garden Club reminds you of their Third Annual Tradesday to be held Saturday, March 25 on the bank lot behind the Dairy Queen, located at the corner of Main Street and Highway 36 in Cross Plains.

Individuals and vendors may come in and set up their booths by 7 a.m., March 25.

Sales start at 8:00 a.m. and will continue throughout the day as long as vendors and customers hold out

and merchandise lasts.

The past two Tradesdays were quite successful and we are looking forward to seeing you again this year. The Garden Club Booth will feature the sale of plants and other related items.

So come on out, bring your best merch'd or best friend, check out the merchandise, the beautiful vendors and the many other items of interest.

Attend our great old fashioned, TRADESDAY!

Submitted by Kay Mosley, 2nd Vice President, Cross Plains Garden Club



TEACHERS ENJOY BREAKFAST AT JEAN'S FEEDBARN

Public School Week Breakfast Hosted By Masonic Lodge

By RON WOOTEN

Teachers, staff and administrators of District reported March 7, to Jean's Feed Barn for the third annual preschool breakfast hosted by the Cross Plains Masonic Lodge. The well-attended event was to honor Cross Plains educators in concert with all Texas Masons' efforts to create awareness of Public School Week.

The teachers were commended for the outstanding job they are doing in preparing our children for the challenges of the future. They were

reminded the Cross Plains community remains interested in their efforts and thankful of their commitments. Teachers hold a sacred trust that has the potential to influence the future of our nation more than any other profession. The Cross Plains School District is fortunate to have so many exceptionally dedicated individuals involved in this effort.

The week of March 6 was designated Public School Week by proclamation of the Texas Governor, and State Legislature.

Taylor Electric customers suffered outage during storm on March 10

Taylor Electric customers in the Cross Plains area suffered an extended outage on Friday, March 10. Around 7:30 a.m. electric power to approximately 700 Cooperative customers went off and remained off until Friday night, when power was restored around 8:20 p.m.

The problem started with a storm that went through the Callahan County area and knocked down six transmission line poles just south of Putnam belonging to West Texas

Utilities. These poles have a three phase distribution line which also is owned by West Texas Utilities. This three phase line distributes power to Taylor Electric customers from the Cooperative's Scranton metering point. The distribution line was also knocked down along with the 69,000 volt transmission line. Although Taylor Electric purchases it's power from WTU for this area, the lines that were damaged belonged to WTU. Therefore, the Cooperative could not work to repair them and had to rely on WTU to make the repairs and restore power to our metering point which in turn would restore our customer's electric service. Taylor Electric had a crew standing by all day to assist if asked and to make sure we didn't have lines down as well, as it turned out no Cooperative lines were down. The poles to replace the six that were destroyed did not arrive on the scene until after 3:00 p.m. Friday afternoon. Once the poles arrived, the WTU crews went to work and restored power to our metering point at 8:30 p.m.

Taylor Electric officials have been in consultation with WTU officials to see if we can work together to avoid this kind of situation in the future. We strive to meet the needs

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Scout Car Wash Set For April 8

The Boy Scouts will be sponsoring a CAR WASH on Saturday, April 8, beginning at 9:00 a.m. at the United Pentecostal Church located on West Highway 36.

The Scouts will be accepting donations for their service and all proceeds will benefit the local organization.

Remember this date! Get your car washed and assist the Boy Scouts, too!

Kiwanis Pancake Supper Thursday, March 23

By DONNEL CLARK

The Kiwanis Annual Pancake Supper is scheduled for Thursday, March 23, at the Cross Plains School Cafeteria. As usual, the menu will consist of delicious home recipe pancakes with syrup, butter, locker-plant sausage, coffee and tea served from 5 to 7 p.m.

Cost of the all-you-can-eat meal is \$3.00 per person, except for young children who will be admitted free.

Proceeds from this event are used to support community needs; such as eye glasses, school supplies and special recognition for our local students.

Tickets are being pre-sold or may be purchased at the door March 23.

Trish Hopkins Announces Candidacy for School Board Trustee -- No New Filings in the City Election

Currently two men are seeking the mayor position for the City of Cross Plains:

Incumbent Ray Purvis
Gene Dillard.

Three have filed for the two council seats:

Incumbent Jerry Cassle
Incumbent Ray Womack
Dean Dillard.

Four individuals are seeking two positions on the Board of Trustees

for Cross Plains I.S.D.:

Incumbent Donnie Dillard
Incumbent Tony Wyatt

Trish Hopkins
Andy Anderson.

Only one candidate is seeking the unexpired term of the late Leon Nixon, his wife, Terry Nixon.

Wednesday, March 22, was the deadline to file for both elections. A final list of candidates will be published in next week's issue.

New Board Member Appointed to Cross Plains Economic Development Corp.

The Cross Plains Economic Development Corporation is pleased to announce Andy Anderson to the Board of Directors. Mr. Anderson, of Cross Plains, was appointed by the City Council to a two-year term on the Board. Mr. Anderson will be replacing Mr. Albert Lovell. Mr. Lovell served four years on the Board and the Economic Development Corporation sincerely appreciates his time and devotion to the organization. Other Board members that were reappointed to the Board for another two-year term were Keith Lawrence and Billie Ruth Loving.

"Muddy Creek" to perform at Grand Ole Oplin Friday

The Grand Ole Oplin presents "Muddy Creek" this Friday night, March 24th, from 7:30 until 10:30 p.m.

This Friday's dance will be an appreciation benefit dedicated to Doug and Brenda Campbell. The Campbell's have always been very active in the Oplin Community and the community would like to extend a big "Thank You" for all they have done. Brenda passed away this past week and we will all miss her. Doug could use our support and prayers at this time. Everyone is invited to bring a snack to be enjoyed by all during the band's break. Alcoholic beverages and smoking are not allowed.

The Grand Ole Oplin is sponsored by the Oplin Community Center located at FM 604 South and FM 2926 in Oplin. Admission is \$3.00 for adults and \$1.00 for children 11 and under.

So gather the family together and come out to the Grand Ole Oplin. Enjoy the good music, good friends and good times.

Submitted by Pam Runfield



DANIELLE MARION

Danielle Marion Named to All-District Basketball Picks

Danielle Marion was recently named Honorable Mention on the All-District Girl's Basketball Team.

She is a junior at Cross Plains High School and the daughter of Armando and Ivonne Duran.

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Courthouse News

COUNTY COURT
Roger Corn, presiding
Misdemeanor Filings

Jana L. Long, theft of property by check.
Linda R. Abbott, theft of property by check.

Misdemeanor Minutes

Michael Stroud, motion to revoke probation granted.
Jon Gilley, motion to revoke probation granted.
Patsy Copeland, motion to revoke probation granted.
Amy Diane Puryear, motion to revoke probation granted.
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Marriage Licenses

Jason Paul Moore of Abilene and Sheila Renea Edmondson of Clyde.

42nd DISTRICT COURT
John Weeks, presiding

Civil Filings

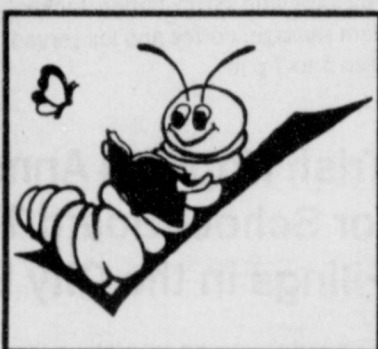
Whitney Hope McLean and Kevin Ray McLean, divorce.
Wesley Bagwell vs. Hanner Motors dba Hanner Chrysler-Plymouth-Dodge-Jeep-Eagle, Inc., damages.
Bentley Harbour and Alda Harbour, divorce.
Martha D. Bryant and John Walker Bryant, divorce.

Civil Minutes

Cynthia Hogue Armstrong and David Hoyte Armstrong, divorce granted.
Kristi Kay Morrison and Bobby Wayne Morrison, divorce granted.

Criminal Minutes

Dawn Michelle Rogers, motion to dismiss motion to revoke probation granted.



March 13-17

Hi! Do you know what a library is? Ask Norman Cousins. He says, "A library is the delivery room for the birth of ideas, a place where history comes to life." "I'm of a fearsome mind to throw my arms around every living librarian who crosses my path, on behalf of the souls they never knew they saved." (If you check me out, you'll find I didn't say that. Barbara Kingsolver did.)

Memorials: For Wilmojean Dill: Judy Luter, Alton and Joan McCowen, Richard and Sharon Parr, Caryn Thompson and family, Hollis and Cherry Shults, Gene and Bettye Greenwood

For Sam Odom: Mr. and Mrs. Jack Tunnell

Donations: Charles and Lou Rodenberger

Status:

Books

Cross Plains 90

Abilene 3

Audio-Cassettes

Abilene 1

Cross Plains 1

Interlibrary Loan 2

TOTAL 97

Obituaries

Lawrence H. Lee

Lawrence H. Lee, 72, of the Pioneer Community, died Saturday, March 18, 2000, in the Columbia Brownwood Regional Medical Center in Brownwood.

Funeral services were held Monday at 2:00 p.m., March 20, 2000, in the Pioneer Baptist Church with Dwaine Clower and Rufus Wilson officiating. Burial was in the Pioneer Cemetery with Higginbotham Funeral Home of Cross Plains in charge of arrangements.

Lawrence was born September 4, 1927, in Callahan County to Floyd Lee and Carrie Calhoun. He married Hazel McLoud on August 7, 1948, in Brownwood. He lived in the Eastland and Callahan County area most of his life.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Floyd and Carrie Lee; a brother, Alfred Lee and a baby son, Ernest David Lee.

He is survived by his wife, Hazel Lee of Pioneer; five sons Billy and wife, Joyce of Austin, Lawrence Albert and wife, Ella and Howard all of Pioneer; Johnny of Tennessee Colony and Bobby of Colorado City; three daughters, Mary Faulk of Rockdale, Hazel Lucille and husband, Robert Wilson of Gause and Peggy and husband, Ector Mireles of Pioneer; three brothers Albert Lee and wife, Ruby and Ralph of Cross Plains, and Loren of Early; one sister Pauline Regian of Cross Plains; 25 grandchildren; several great-grandchildren as well as numerous nieces and nephews.

Pallbearers were Tom Ames, Richard Ames, James Ames, Tommy Ames, Jerry Cassle and Robert Grider.

Raymond Lee Bethel

Raymond Lee Bethel, of Coleman, passed away at 7:20 p.m., Thursday, March 16, 2000, in Coleman County Medical Center after a five-year battle with cancer. He was 47 years old.

Born September 2, 1952, in East Chicago, Indiana, he moved to Lawn, at the age of 5. The youngest of three brothers, he graduated from Jim Ned High School in 1970, marrying Shirley Jean Young-Bethel on September 24, 1971.

Raymond had worked for Minnesota Mining and Manufacturing Company, 3M, since an honorable discharge from the U.S. Air Force in 1975. Beginning his career as a machine operator and later moving into computer operations, he made many devoted friends in his time at the company's Brownwood plant.

An avid HAM radio hobbyist, his call sign, N5RMO, was well known to fellow amateur radio operators the world over. He gave of his time and of himself in many emergency management organizations, such as the Coleman Volunteer Fire Department and 3M's Emergency Squad.

He is survived by his wife, Shirley Bethel of Coleman, one son, Brian Bethel of Abilene, his parents, Loney and Myrtle Bethel, of Lawn, two brothers, John Bethel of Abilene and Ronnie Bethel of Coleman, and his mother-in-law, Lavada Young. Also surviving are many nieces, nephews, aunts and uncles.

Funeral services were held at 2 p.m. Saturday at First Baptist Church, 200 E. College Avenue, in Coleman. Interment followed at Burkett Cemetery in Burkett.

Raymond Bethel was a devoted husband, father, uncle and friend. He brought inspiration to those who knew him during his personal struggle with cancer, and he passed from this world with grace and dignity. He will be deeply missed, but never forgotten.

Those who wish to offer memorials may do so to the American Cancer Society or Hendrick Hospice.

National Agriculture Week is time to honor our farmers & ranchers

AUSTIN — Agriculture Commissioner Susan Combs announced that March 19-25 is National Agriculture Week in Texas, the nation's second leading state in agricultural production. Texas accounts for about 7 percent of the total U.S. agricultural income.

"Agriculture is important to Texas 52 weeks a year, but National Agriculture Week is the time set aside each spring to honor the hardworking individuals in our nation's food and fiber industry," Combs said. "It's also the time to recognize the impact agriculture has on our daily lives."

"The food we eat, the clothes we wear, the wood for the houses we live in, the flowers and plants we enjoy are all rooted in one industry—agriculture."

Agriculture is the second-largest industry in Texas generating \$80 billion throughout the state's economy. Texas is the nation's leading producer of cattle, sheep, goats, horses, wool, mohair and cotton. The state is also one of the top producers of vegetables, citrus, peanuts, pecans, grain sorghum, rice, sugarcane and wheat.

"From the Gulf Coast to the Panhandle, Texas is the most diverse state in the nation in agriculture production," Combs said.

The Lone Star State leads the nation in the number of farms and ranches, and approximately 80 percent of the land is involved in some form of agricultural production.

Although agriculture provides a job for one out of every five working Texans, less than 2 percent of the population is involved in day-to-day farming or ranching.

"It's incredible when you think that only a small number of people produce our food and fiber," Combs said. "Andy many times they do it against difficult odds."

"This year producers are facing another drought and some of the lowest commodity prices in the past 20 years. But because of their commitment and their love of agriculture, Texas farmers and ranchers will continue to do what they do best -- produce food and fiber to meet a growing global demand," Combs said.

"We all depend on agriculture. National Agriculture Week gives us an opportunity to recognize those producers who help enrich our lives."

Whon Picnic Planned For Saturday, April 1

The Sixty-ninth Annual Whon Picnic will again welcome you on April 1, at the Carter Place in Whon. Preparations for the event are in the process to create the most succulent meats, the prettiest insect-free spot, and we are all looking forward to seeing you there!

Bring a dessert, vegetable or salad and we'll supply the rest. Signs will be located to help guide you after you reach FM 2633 south of Santa Anna from the Brady Highway.

Submitted by Trudi S. Rutherford
Public Relations

Colonial Oaks Services

Cottonwood Baptist will conduct worship services at Colonial Oaks Nursing Home on Sunday, March 26, commencing at 3:30 p.m.

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City Council Minutes

March 7, 2000

This was a regular meeting of the Cross Plains City Council. All members of the council were present. Minutes of the last meeting were approved as read.

Don Gosnell, Chief of Police met with the council to give the monthly police report. He reported sixty-three calls for service, two assaults, one burglary, two criminal mischiefs, one terroristic threat, one theft, sixty-two warning citations, and sixty citations. By general consent the council approved the report as presented.

Bob Hill also met with the council to give the Judge's report. He reported sixty citations being given for the month of February with twenty-six remaining outstanding. He also reported twenty-one remain outstanding for January and twelve for December. He reported twenty-nine reminder letters being sent. By general consent the council approved the report as presented.

Sam Miller, with Energy Savings Consultants, Inc. met with the council to discuss a device his company provides that will save on the City's energy bills. He estimated that the city would be able to save a minimum of \$216.00 monthly by using their system. He informed the council that for \$295.00 his company would do a proposal on the entire city's electrical system and present it to the council at the next regular meeting. If the council rejects the proposal the \$295.00 will be refunded. If the proposal were accepted, then there would be other costs associated with the system that will be discussed at the time of the proposal. Jerry Cassle moved to allow Energy Savings Consultants to do the proposal. Joe Ingram seconded and motion carried.

Cecil Barton met with council to discuss the Cross Plains Public Library's annual report, the statistics report and the annual budget. Also meeting with the council was Mary Chaffin and Joan McCowen. Mr. Barton gave a very informative report on the hopes and dreams of the Library. He thanked the council for their past support and asked that the council consider increasing the city contribution from \$2,500 to \$5,000 when working on the City's budget. The council thanked Mr.

Barton for coming and stated they would consider his request later in the meeting when working on the budget for the city.

Bob Harrell, Fire Chief, met with the council to ask their permission to apply for a tax identification number for the fire department. He informed the council that he had discussed with an attorney the benefits of getting a tax number and was informed that the fire department would be more likely to receive grants if they weren't operating under the city's ID number. Ray Womack moved to allow the fire department to file for their own tax identification number. Joe Ingram seconded and motion carried.

Frankie Hyles met with the council to discuss that the Roping Club and the Barbarian Festival would like to have the portion of Turkey Creek that runs through Treadway Park cleaned out and a bridge put across the creek to use during the events that are held throughout the year. He stated that they would like to request that the prison inmates come and clean out the creek but was informed that they could not make the request and ask that the City make the inquiry on their behalf. James Nichols moved that the city would make the request to the prison system. Jerry Cassle seconded and motion carried.

Jerry Cassle moved to pay the bills. Edwin Weiss seconded and motion carried.

Joe Ingram moved to go into executive session to discuss personnel at 8:20 p.m. Edwin Weiss seconded and motion carried.

Discussion concerning personnel was held at length.

Jerry Cassle moved to return to open meeting at 9:55 p.m. Edwin Weiss seconded and motion carried.

By general consent the council agreed to meet for a budget workshop on March 14, 2000, at 6:30 p.m. and to hold the Budget Public Hearing on March 30, 2000, at 6:30 p.m.

Jerry Cassle moved to adjourn. Joe Ingram seconded and motion carried.

Ray Purvis, Mayor
ATTEST
Debbie Gosnell, Secretary

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Colonial Oaks Nursing Home News

By: Linda Merritt



MARGARET CLARK
...March employee of the month

Margaret Clark has been chosen as the employee for this month by our administrator, Stormie Jones. She was born on March 8, 1938, in Pioneer. She is 62 years old. Margaret is married to Tom Clark, they have four children and two great-grandchildren. She enjoys fishing, doing yard work, having a garden and visiting with her friends. Margaret was presented a gift certificate to Jean's Feedbar and a badge to wear. Congratulations Margaret.

Maxine Crisp and Louise Richardson sure look nice with their new perms.

We would like to express our sincere sympathy to the family of Nash Tucker and also to Pauline Regian and her family on the loss of her brother, Lawrence Lee may it comfort you to know that God will help see you through the rough days ahead.

Raymond McCowen was the winner for a free meal from Jack's Place. Thanks Wanda and Jack.

Appreciation to Dana Johnson for the cake, Sheri Kitchens for the donuts and chips, to the Sam Odom family for the pretty flowers, to Tracy French for bringing up a cute

little puppy for us all to see and for the nail polish and to Kitty Propest for the makeup.

Lurene McNutt and Charlou Cowan visited with Louise Richardson.

Lessie Baum visited with Jo Boatright.

Eunice Pointer visited with Falba Shofner.

Dub and Beth Meador, Nikki, Cara, Cassie Bowles from Irving visited with Nandell Stiles.

Carol Owen from San Marcos visited with Myrtle Owen.

Volley Williams, Pauine and Martha Switzer visited with O.B. Switzer.

Joan Bullard from Clyde and Alton McCowen visited with Raymond McCowen.

Dee Harrell visited with Ruby Harrell, Zeldia Milam and Ila Mae Marshall.

Joyce Lee from Austin, Michelle Melder from Brownwood and Hazel Lee from Pioneer visited with Pauline Regian and Ralph Lee.

Michael Curry, Deborah Griswold and Justin Clark visited with Deen Haddock.

Activities during the week were:

Monday: Bingo winners were Minnie Swann (2), Falba Shofner (2), Maxine Crisp and Vera Belyeu (2). Exercise class.

Tuesday: Art class, popcom and Skip-Bo games.

Wednesday: Sing-a-long with Bob Wallace and exercise class.

Thursday: Manicures and ball toss.

Friday: Bingo winners were Falba Shofner (2), Raymond McCowen, Vera Belyeu (2) and Maxine Crisp. Sit-down-basketball.

Sunday: Cottonwood Baptist Church

God is like Alka Seltzer - Oh, what a relief He is.

Quips, Clips & Comments

By: Kay Mosley

There are people in this world who believe in reincarnation. Really I am not one who believes in it; but isn't it kind of fun to speculate on it?

After pondering on it recently, I think I've figured out what I would like to return as, that is "IF" I could be reincarnated.

Would you really like to hear what I decided? I decided I would like to come back as a snow storm, **so that I could rage all night and lie in the sunshine and rest all day**.

The only thing that doesn't appeal to me about that is that I would probably be cold all the time and I, have never-never-never liked to be cold.

A rainstorm might qualify -- BUT -- I can't swim. FLOOD!

Hmmm! It might be very interesting to be reincarnated as a fall windstorm. Think of all those crunchy colored autumn leaves I could blow all over everywhere and hear them snap, crackle and pop. Gee, I don't know though, the leaves might catch on fire and then my tailwind might get singed, not to mention all those birds tailfeathers. You know this has got me thinking. Do you figure I'd be warmer if I came back as a spring tornado? I could still rage and rest and rage and r-e-s-t --and----!

Ma & Pa

By James Nichols

We had taken over the store at Burkett and were awaiting George Hutchins (the Mobil jobber) to bring a load of gas out.

He arrived in two days with a load of gasoline and began to fill the tanks. Darby was about five, so there

was a long question and answer parley between him and George.

George finished unloading and was putting up his hoses when Darby stated, "Okay George, pull around front and fill her up. We got gas now!"

Beta Sigma Phi Sorority Increases Scholarship Funds

The Alpha Rho Zeta Chapter of Beta Sigma Phi met in the home of Wanda Merryman on March 13. Hostess for the evening was Melissa Wooten. The Opening Ritual began the meeting, led by Jamie Apple, president. Secretary Mary Ann Chaffin read the minutes of the last meeting, which were approved as read and Wanda Merryman, treasurer, gave the financial report.

Sharon Parr, Chairman of the Scholarship Committee, moved that we increase the amount of the Beta Sigma Phi college scholarship to \$500 this year. Motion was approved. The sorority would like to celebrate the wonderful response the community has given to our major fund-raising events -- the Christmas Tour of Homes and the Miss Valentine Pageant by returning revenue to our young citizens. Watch the *Cross Plains Review* for more information! Students who are interested should be ready to submit their essays - which serves as their application.

The trip to the State Capitol in Austin for the entire 7th grade will be Thursday, March 23. The sorority has sponsored this trip for several years to reward students for their study of Texas history. Some years the students get to meet the Governor of Texas. This year would make that especially meaningful since he is the presidential candidate for the Republicans. Appreciation is expressed to those teachers, parents and sorority members who make this trip!

Mary Ann Chaffin and Joyce McCoy asked the sorority to participate in the local Food Pantry that has been set up and is being sponsored by various churches, services organizations and it is expected to become a total community project -- the central clearing house for food distribution to the needy citizens of the community. Members discussed

and planned how we can help both financially and with volunteers.

Mary Graves announced the Housing Initiative chili supper for April 13 at

the school cafeteria and requested sorority members help in serving that evening. We agreed to help.

Jamie Apple suggested we sponsor a Community Easter Egg Hunt on Saturday, April 22. While we all now the "Easter Bunny" isn't the main meaning of Easter, members felt this would be a fun time for ALL the children of the community. It will be complete with a huge Easter bunny, egg hunting, prizes and who knows what else? Watch the newspaper for further details on this, too.

Meeting was adjourned with the Closing Ritual. Attending were: Kathy Anderson, Jamie Apple, Sarah Brashear, Mary Ann Chaffin, Jacque Childress, Lavonne Childress, Mary Graves, Bobbie Johnston, Melanie Long, Joyce McCoy, Wanda Merryman, Sharon Parr and Melissa Wooten. We welcomed Donna Besselaar as the guest of Mary Graves.

Windbreak trees have arrived

The Callahan Divide Soil & Water Conservation District has received their allotment of Windbreak Trees from the Texas Forest Service. These trees are offered to the general public on a first come first serve basis at a very inexpensive price.

This year's selection of available trees include four varieties of evergreens. They are Afghanistan Pine, Pinyon Pine, Eastern Red cedar and the Austrian Pine. These Evergreen Seedlings are being offered for \$2.50 each or \$70.00 for a box of 30.

In addition to the Evergreens, several varieties of bare-rooted hardwood seedlings are being offered this year. The list includes Green Ash, Russian Olive, Shumard Oak, Catalpa, Sand Palm, Sand Cherry, Nanking Cherry, Hackberry and Lacebark Elm. These hardwood seedlings are offered in bundles of 10 for \$8.00.

For more information on planning, planting and maintenance of windbreak trees of how to purchase these low cost seedlings contact the Natural Resource Conservation Service office in Baird, Texas at (915) 854-1349. The office in Baird is located at 141 W. 4th-Suite B.

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Pioneer News

By: Pioneer Quilting Club

Oliver and Frankie traveled to Childress Saturday to visit with Oliver's two sisters and their families, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Ware, Mrs. Naomi Hawthorne. We enjoyed stopping on the way home to visit Rufus and Lou Wilson in Anson.

Visiting with Jean Fore are Vi, Paul and Juanita Harlow of Lovington, New Mexico. They attended the musical at Cisco Saturday. Paul and Juanita returned to their home in Lovington Monday.

Glenda Phillips went to May Friday night to see her brother and sister's little grandson play basketball in the PeeWee tournament. She went to the Cross Plains track meet to see Kali jump hurdles and run. It was sure cold.

Cowan and Laverne Hutton made a trip to San Marcus last week. Below Lano the grass was greener, bluebonnets were beginning to bloom and saw a few paint brushes peeping out. Even saw a few ole Mesquites beginning to leaf out.

A couple weeks ago several ladies from the church of Christ hosted a baby shower for Tabitha Jordan. It was at the home of Jean Alexander.

Because little Lauren Jewel arrived the day before, the honoree not able to be with them. Lauren Jewel's grandmother, Sandy Hutton, and great-grandmother, Laverne Hutton, stood in for them. It was well attended and all had a good time. Congratulations Tabitha and Michael.

We are still short on our water deposits. The sooner everyone gets theirs in the sooner the "studies" can get started. Any questions you may have can be answered by calling Westbound Water in Cisco. The number is (254) 442-3348. Thanks to all who have responded to this project. If you know of anyone out there who have not been contacted, please have them call the above number.

Don't forget there is a bake sale at the "Tradesdays" in Cross Plains on Saturday, March 25. Come on by and buy some great baked goods.

There will be a "42 Party" at the Community Center on Thursday night. Come out and join the fun.

Word of Wisdom #27: No person was ever honored for what he received. Honor has been the reward for what he gave. Calvin Coolidge

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Lee Celebrated 55th Anniversary

Albert and Ruby Lee of Cross Plains were married fifty-five years ago on March 17, 1945, in Manhattan, Kansas.

From this union four girls and six boys were born, Shirley Whiteley of Bangs, Harry Lee of Dublin, Junior Lee of Hico, Sam Lee of Breckenridge, Richard Lee of


Comanche, Esther McCoy, Charles Lee and Tommy Lee all of Cross Plains, and two daughters, Maxine Field and Hazel Reed who are deceased. The couple have sixteen grandchildren, six great-grandchildren and another great-grandchild will be born in May.



KIWANIS LEARN ABOUT ACCELERATED READING PROGRAM AT CROSS PLAINS ISD LIBRARY—Jacque Childress, right, and Pam Porter explained the program and the success it has achieved with elementary students. Everyone is invited to the annual Kiwanis pancake supper, Thursday, March 23, at the school cafeteria from 5 to 7 p.m.

I would like to thank everyone that supported me during my campaign, in the Primary, for County Tax Assessor/Collector. I greatly appreciate all the people that took the time to go and vote. A special thanks to those that handed out my cards and supported me through word-of-mouth. Thanks, so much, to all that encouraged me with moral support and kind words. Everyone's confidence and support has meant so much and has been a true blessing.

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By Bob Pipes, preacher
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Perhaps you've heard the "story" (fictitious?). The marriage counselor was trying to surface the basis for problems a couple was having. There were more problems than he even anticipated for when he asked if they had a grudge, the husband thought he said "garage" and answered, "No, but we have a carport." And the rest of the "story" gets even worse!

Willard Tate, in his book, *Habits of a Loving Heart*, identifies the seventh "habit" or characteristic of love as "holds no grudges." He lifts these qualities of love from the great "Love Chapter of the Bible," I Corinthians 13. The last of verse 5 states that "it (love) keeps no record of wrongs" (NIV). In other words, love holds no grudges. In a nutshell, love forgives.

In a more realistic marriage counselling session, each mate was asked to make a list of the other's faults. They each began to make their list, the wife not noticing that her husband was erasing as much as he was writing. The counselor asked them to each read their list to the other and the wife obliged by reading her long list of "grudges." Then the husband displayed a sheet of paper that was blank, basically, because everything he had written down had also been erased. He explained that he loved her so much that he could not hold her faults against her. Perhaps the only improvement for him in that respect would be not seeing her faults in the first place.

Mark Twain said it well: "Forgiveness is the fragrance the violet sheds on the heel that has crushed it." Learning to forgive others can be a life-changing experience -- and probably begins by accepting God's forgiveness and forgiving oneself. Remember, you cannot afford to have a grudge -- not even a "carport." (That's bad!)

Come join us this Sunday as we share our love for God with Him in worship

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

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Student Review

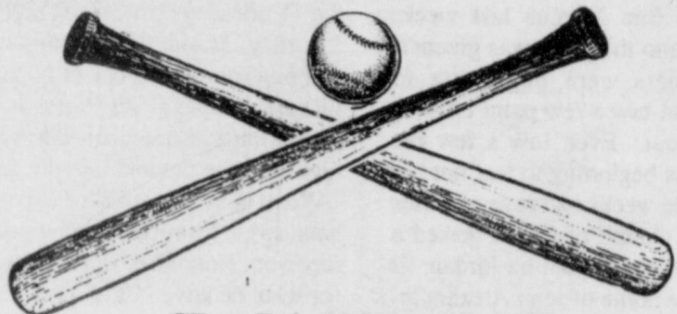
VARSITY GIRLS TRACK RESULTS REPORTED

By COACH MIKE CAVENDER

We competed at the Menard relays last Saturday and finished 3rd out of 13 teams with 94 points, Brandi Richey went north to Graham to compete in the hurdles with big school competition and had a good day in both events. We had some empty events at Menard, but the kids who are competing are really putting up some good numbers at this point in the season.

Results are as follows:
 Long jump - Lewis - 13'9" - 7th
 Shot put - Francy 35'6" - 1st;
 Wilson - 33'6" - 3rd and Nixon 25'1"
 Discus - Francy - 113'7" - 1st;
 Wilson 95'3" - 4th and Nixon 77'9"

Two mile - Rivard - 15:59 - 4th and Cheshshir - 17:23 - 6th
 400 relay - Payne, Cook, Thomas and Wyatt - 55.3 - 4th
 800 run - Bennett - 2:43 - 3rd
 100 dash - Lewis - 12.93 - 2nd;
 Cook - 14.9 and Rogers 15.6
 400 dash - Wyatt - 67.2 - 4th
 200 dash - Lewis - 28.2 - 3rd;
 Thomas - 29.1 - 6th and Rogers 33.6
 800 relay - Payne, Lewis, Thomas and Swift - 1:56 - 2nd
 Mile run - Bennett - 6:41 - 3rd;
 Rivard - 7:19 - 4th and Cheshshir - 8:12
 At Gorman - 100 hurdles - Richey - 16.24 - 2nd ACCU track time
 300 hurdles - Richey - 47.56 - 3rd ACCU track time



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CALLAWAY	1	4	1	2	0	0
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WHITEHEAD	1	4	1	0	2	0
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School Board Minutes

March 20, 2000

The Cross Plains ISD Board of Trustees met in a regular meeting with the following members present: Terry Nixon, Rickey Carey, Donnie Dillard, Scott Childress, Charles Cheshshir, Monty Richards and Tony Wyatt.

The following administrators and guests were also in attendance: Superintendent, high school principal, elementary principal and guests, Sandra Crockett, Susan Hartman, Kathy Anderson and Miss Evans.

Prayer was led by Jackie Tennison. Minutes were approved.

Motion was made by Childress and seconded by Wyatt to pay the bills for the month of March. For 7/Against 0

Motion was made by Richards and seconded by Wyatt that we remove item tabled on tape recording monthly meetings from table for discussion and action. For 7/Against 0 Discussion: Taping of open meetings of the school board is allowed by law for any individual.

Item #4 concerning J-C-0169 attorney general's opinion on open forum items was reviewed and discussed with no action necessary and none taken.

Motion was made by Childress and seconded by Nixon that we have TASB Policy Service conduct a policy review seminar to be scheduled on an expedient time. For 7/Against 0

Item 6 Discussion of advertising district site-based meetings in newspaper ended with no action with administration agreeing to advertise.

Motion was made by Carey and seconded by Wyatt that we remove tabled item regarding dress code changes from table for discussion and action. For 7/Against 0

Motion was made by Cheshshir and seconded by Richards that we amend the current dress code for grades 7-12 regarding shorts/skirts to include: 1) teacher's measurement to be the final word; 2) first offenders must: a) wear sweats the remainder of the day; b) lose the privilege of wearing shorts/skirts for the remainder of the year; c) lose their exemption for mid-term or final examination. For 6/Against 1 Rickey Carey

Motion was made by Wyatt and seconded by Carey that we adopt all textbook titles approved by TEA. For 7/Against 0

Motion was made by Childress and seconded by Wyatt that we approve cheerleader rules as presented by Mr. Wilson. For 7/Against 0

Motion was made by Wyatt and seconded by Richards that we approve the position on the high school cheerleader squad of Buffalo mascot and approve the ordering of uniform with the school being reimbursed with donations. For 7/Against 0

Motion was made by Carey and seconded by Wyatt that we canvass votes on May 9 at 7:00 for the school board election.

Discussion of elementary heating/airconditioning.
 Discussion of high school course offering.

Donnie Dillard declared executive session at 10:24 p.m. out at 11:18 p.m.

Motion was made by Richards and seconded by Carey that we approve Jamie Apple 1 year probationary contract for teacher. For 6/Against 0 Tony Wyatt abstained.

Motion was made by Richards and seconded by Wyatt that we extend Coach Cavender's contract 1 year teacher/coach. For 7/Against 0

Motion was made by Wyatt and seconded by Carey that we grant Cody Chandler a 2 year contract as teacher/coach. For 7/Against 0

Motion was made by Richards and seconded by Childress that we approve 1 year continuing contracts for the following, Carol Atchley, Mitchell Atchley, Billie Clausen, Sandra Crockett, Lynda Edington, Charlene Fleming, Paula Winfrey, Carol Ann Morgan, Kathy Purvis, Karen Richey, Roy Richey (12), Dianna Stover, Vickie Walker, Darlene Webb, Julia Wheeler and Mattie Faye Wilson. For 7/Against 0

Motion was made by Wyatt and seconded by Carey that we approve 1 year term contracts for the following Special Education Betty Barclay, Pat Stephens, Becky Dillard, and Karla Rogers; Regular Program teachers, Jamie Dement, Tracie Evans, Twyla Felty, Diann Hail, Rocquelle Hunter, Terri Hunter, Marc Morgan (12), Connie Ricci, Kimberly Woerner and Robbye Fullen; Pre-kindergarten, Janice Phillips; Title I, Nora Odum; Counselor, Vicki Campbell (217 days); teacher/coach/band, Clay Mahler, Ricky Sparks, Michael Cavender, Cord Woerner (11 mos.) Cody Chandler, Todd Felty (11 mos.). For 7/Against 0

Motion was made by Richards and seconded by Nixon that we adjourn. For 7/Against 0

April meeting Thursday, April 20. Checks to be given to teachers before Easter Break.

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Boys Golf Team Competes at Comanche

By COACH MIKE CAVENDER

During Spring Break the boys golf team consisting of James Ross, Coby Richards, Shane Sharp, Jake Farrow and Jaden Winfrey participated at the very tough course at Par Country Club at Proctor Lake near Comanche.

There was a tough field of golfer's and the boys finished with a team score of 388 which placed us 11th out of 22 teams. James had our best score with an 86 followed closely behind by Coby with a 90.

SCHOOL MENU

MARCH 27-MARCH 31

BREAKFAST

MONDAY—Cream of wheat, toast, assorted juice and milk.
 TUESDAY—French toast, sausage, assorted juice and milk.
 WEDNESDAY—Eggs, biscuit, bacon, assorted juice and milk.
 THURSDAY—Cereal, toast, assorted juice and milk.
 FRIDAY—Toaster pastry, yogurt, assorted juice and milk.

LUNCH

MONDAY—Burrito w/chili & cheese, salad, crackers, pincapples and milk.
 TUESDAY—Ham slices, scalloped potatoes, spinach, rolls, peaches and milk.
 WEDNESDAY—Frito pie, salad, corn, apple crisp and milk.
 THURSDAY—Chicken pot pie, green beans, crackers, mixed fruit and milk.
 FRIDAY—Hamburger, lettuce, tomato, pickles, fries, cookie and milk.

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WINNERS OF BEAUTY PAGEANT—Brandi Danielle Sunderman, and her baby sister, Savannah Jade.

Locally Known Sisters Win Numerous Beauty Pageants

Brandi Danielle Sunderman and Savannah Jade Sunderman have won awards in children's pageants qualifying them for state and national competition this summer. Both girls won beauty titles in a Gingerbread Productions of America beauty pageant held in Roysse City. Brandi won the title of "Divisional Supreme Queen" for the 7-9 year-old category. She also won the "Most Beautiful" title for her age group. In addition, Brandi won the talent competition for her classical ballet routine to "Colors of the Wind" from the Pocohantas soundtrack. She received a crown, banner and three trophies. Brandi's baby sister, Savannah Jade, also won the title of "Divisional Supreme Queen" for the 0-11 month category at the age of 5 1/2 months. Savannah also won the "Most Beautiful" baby title. She received a crown, banner and two trophies. Both girls qualify to compete at the state competition for Gingerbread Productions this summer in Dallas. In addition, Brandi competed in an All Star Kids Pageant in McKinney this past fall and won the beauty title for the 7-9 year-old category. She received a three-foot trophy and a crown. She also won first place in the talent competition for her classical ballet routine. She received a trophy and a medal. Brandi qualifies to compete at the national level for All Star Kids this summer in Dallas. Savannah has won or placed in several baby contests. She won her first baby contest at the age of 8 weeks by winning 1st place in the "Pretties Baby" contest at a July 4th festival in Vandervoort, Arkansas. She won first place in a baby contest in the 0-6 month category held in Roysse City. She also won 3rd place in a baby photo contest held at Wal-Mart in Rockwall during "Baby Week." In addition, she won "Best Team Presentation" (an award for mom and baby) at an All Star Kids Pageant in McKinney. Brandi and Savannah are the daughters of Derek and Kandy Sunderman of Lawrence, Kansas (formerly of Texas). They are the granddaughters of Drue and Cleve Evans of Abilene, and Bletta and Ron Sunderman of Cove, Arkansas. They are the great-granddaughters of Velma Lee of Cross Plains, Lela and Charlie Aleshire of Cove, Arkansas, and Climeth and Juanita Layman of West Plains, Missouri.

Veterans News

By: Tom Ivey

FORFEITED LAND SALE—The Texas Veterans Land Board has issued a new handbook with listings of forfeited lands for sale. Bids will be opened at 1:00 p.m., on April 25, 2000. There are no tracts offered in Callahan, Coleman, Eastland, Shackelford or Taylor Counties. There is a 17,969 acre parcel in Brown County near Bangs, minimum bid of \$14,000. A 25.00 acre tract is offered in Jones County, approx. 12 miles south of Anson on FM 707 and CR 432. The minimum bid for Jones is \$20,000.

LEST WE FORGET—On April 25, 1980, an all-volunteer military mission to rescue the 53 U.S. Embassy hostages in Iran was aborted. Soon after, during a refueling operation in the Iranian desert, a helicopter and a transport plane collided and eight servicemen died. Those lost will be honored on April 25, in Washington, D.C. in a ceremony sponsored by the group, NO GREATER LOVE.

DFW NATIONAL CEMETERY—The Department of Veterans Affairs has replaced the contractor that it blames for delays on the \$16 million Dallas-Fort Worth National Cemetery. Incore Inc., of San Antonio has been replaced by Zachary Construction Co., also of San Antonio. The cemetery was to have opened last spring but delays pushed it to September, then November, then late spring 2000. The new target is mid-May. When fully developed the Cemetery will contain more than 280,000 burial spaces on 638 acres overlooking Mountain Creek Lake. The Cemetery is being developed in four phases. The first will include about 14,600 grave sites on 110 acres. The remaining sections will be developed as needed. Information on VA burial benefits can be obtained by calling the VA regional office at 1-800-827-1000, or from the VA web sites, www.va.gov and www.cem.va.gov.

SPECIAL LICENSE PLATES—The Great State of Texas now makes special license plates for every branch of our armed forces, plates for war actions, POW plates, Disabled Vet plates, the National Guard, etc. Most of the plates have additional charges but many (Purple Heart, Pearl Harbor, POW) do not have an annual fee paid to the State or County. Please contact your County Tax Assessor/Collector office for full details and charges.

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Gary Bauer	1	0.14%
George W. Bush	615	91.79%
Orrin G. Hatch	4	0.59%
Steve Forbes	0	0.00%
Alan Keyes	14	2.08%
John McCain	28	4.17%
Uncommitted	2	0.28%
Total Votes Cast	670	
Number Under Votes Cast	6	0.89%
U.S. Senator		
Kay Bailey Hutchison	599	89.40%
Number Under Votes Cast	71	10.59%
U.S. Representative Dist. 17		
Darrell Clements	244	36.41
Shane Hunt	268	40.00
Number Under Votes Cast	158	23.58%
Railroad Commissioner		
Charles R. Matthews	491	73.28%
Number Under Votes Cast	179	26.71%
Railroad Commissioner Unexpired Term		
Andy Draughn	146	21.79%
Michael L. Williams	327	48.80%
Number Under Votes Cast	197	29.40%
Justice, Supreme Court Place #1		
Nathan Hecht	294	43.88%
Valorie W. Davenport	195	29.10%
Number Under Votes Cast	191	27.01%
Justice, Supreme Court Place #2		
Priscilla Owen	447	66.71%
Number Under Votes Cast	223	33.28%
Justice, Supreme Court Place #3		
Rod E. Gorman	257	38.25%
Al Gonzales	274	41.01%
Number Under Votes Cast	139	20.74%
Presiding Judge, Court of Criminal App.		
Sharon Keller	138	20.29%
J. Gary Trichter	61	9.10%
Connie J. Kelley	105	15.67%
Tom Price	165	24.62%
Number Under Votes Cast	201	30.00%
Judge, Court of Criminal App. Place #1		
Tom Greenwell	73	10.89%
John Boston	23	3.43%
Charles Holcomb	196	29.25%
Guy Williams	102	15.22%
Alan Curry	59	8.80%
Number Under Votes Cast	217	32.38%

Judge, Court of Criminal App. Place #2		
Barbara Parker Hervey	89	13.28%
W.B. "Bennie" House	58	10.14%
Sally L. Ray	62	9.25%
Pat Barber	59	8.80%
Jim Wallace	170	25.37%
Number Under Votes Cast	221	32.98%
State Senator District #24		
Troy Fraser	558	83.28%
Number Under Votes Cast	112	16.71%
State Representative District 60		
James L. (Jim) Keffer	524	78.20%
Number Under Votes Cast	146	21.79%
42nd Judicial District Judge		
John Weeks	518	77.31%
Number Under Votes Cast	152	22.59%
Republican County Chairman		
David Holmes	469	70.00%
Candidate Write-In	10	1.49%
Number Under Votes Cast	191	28.50%
Republican Proposition No. 1		
"Shall student initiated prayer be allowed at school sporting events?"		
Yes	634	94.52%
No	19	2.83%
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Dem. Presidential Nominee		
Bill Bradley	275	23.36%
Al Gore	556	47.23%
Lyndon H. LaRouche Jr.	68	5.77%
Total Votes Cast	1,177	
Number Under Votes Cast	278	23.61%
U.S. Senator		
Don Clark	195	16.56%
Bobby Wightman	99	8.41%
Gene Kelly	236	20.05%
M. Gerald Bintliff	31	2.63%
Charles Gandy	148	12.57%
Number Under Votes Cast	468	39.75%
U.S. Representative Dist. 17		
Charlie Stenholm	894	75.95%
Number Under Votes Cast	283	24.04%
Criminal Appeals Court Judge		
Bill Vance	745	54.99%
Number Under Votes Cast	412	45.00%
Criminal Appeals Court Judge		
William R. Barr	757	65.15%
Number Under Votes Cast	410	34.83%
Appeals Court Chief Justice		
Bud Arnot	796	67.62%
Number Under Votes Cast	381	33.35%
County Attorney		
Allen Wright	584	49.61%
Shane Deel	565	48.00%
Number Under Votes Cast	28	2.37%
Sheriff		
Eddie Curtis	977	83.00%
Number Under Votes Cast	200	16.99%
County Tax Assessor/Collector		
Tammy T. Walker	1000	84.96%
Number Under Votes Cast	177	15.03%
County Commissioner Prec. #1		
Harold Hicks	188	85.84%
Number Under Votes Cast	31	14.15%
County Commissioners Prec. #3		
Tommy Holland	383	78.48%
Number Under Votes Cast	105	21.51%
County Constable Prec. #1		
David Blalock	351	81.43%
Number Under Votes Cast	90	18.56%
County Constable Prec. #4		
Tom Rumfield	115	44.57%
William "Bill" Young	119	46.12%
Number Under Votes Cast	24	9.30%
Democratic County Chairman		
Jon E. Hardwick	870	73.91%
Candidate Write-In	22	1.86%
Number Under Votes Cast	285	24.21%

I, Sheriff Eddie Curtis would like to thank everyone who supported me in the Primary Election on March 14, 2000. Although my bid for re-election as Sheriff garnered no opponent, all the support shown is very much appreciated. My family and I value the support that is given me and my campaign. I would appreciate your continued support in the November election. Thank You, Sheriff Eddie Curtis

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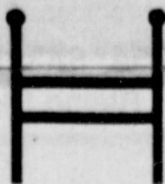
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We thank you for the food, flowers and calls to each of us and just being our friends in a time of grief.

To Bob and Dee Harrell for being with us even though it was to have been their weekend off. They so graciously took care of our needs.

To Bob Pipes for being at our side and preparing and delivering such a beautiful service with so much love in it and for us.

Also to Vondean Hutchins and the group who sang a special thanks.

Sam was a quiet person, but concerned for other people and his family he had a lot of love in his heart for everyone.

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If God be for us, who can be against us. Romans 8:31

To every person who had a part in Sam's life and death, we love you for it.

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Card of Thanks

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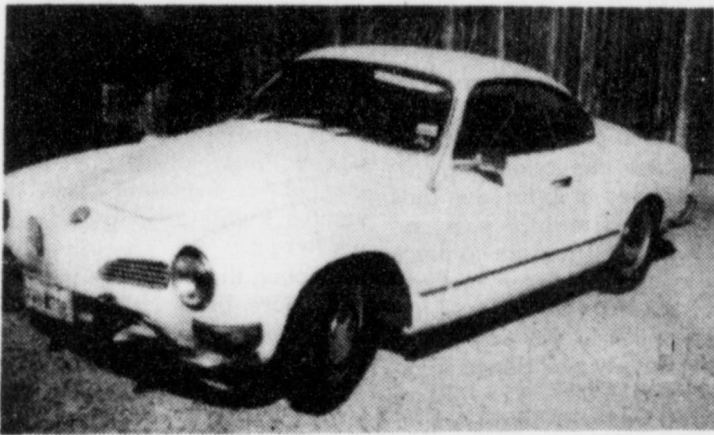
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COUNTY ROADS by Ginny Greene

Reconciling the account...

Every month, I go through the same trauma trying to reconcile the bank statement. Wouldn't it be great if just one month we didn't write any checks or make any deposits. Then all I would have to do is look at the check register, compare it to the statement balance, make the little check mark that says all is OK once again, and put the whole mess away for another month.

Nice fantasy, but it would never work.

This month I faced it again, gathering statement, checkbook, and pen. Searching for my glasses and the calculator is part of the routine. I heated a cup of warm milk, and set the bottle of antacid tablets within reach.

First thing, I marked off the list of checks cleared, and the deposits. I'm half done at this point, if all goes well. But my quivering hand belies my outward calm.

It is at this point the real work begins!

For some unfathomable reason, I always have to go way back, pages and pages, to a check that hasn't resolved. This year, it is payment to an organization with an "800" number. When I call each month to find out why the check is still outstanding, I'm told to wait for a call-back from a representative. I'm asked dozens of questions, the same questions every month. I've talked to voices in Maryland, California, Wisconsin, Alabama and Maine.

It's a lengthy process. We talk about the weather in our geographics, or I'm put on hold, while their computer dashes across the country and back, searching its data banks. Dealing with large organizations always leaves me with the same impression. Big is not good. Too big is horrible!

Each time, I'm told not to cancel the check or re-write a new one. The check will be cashed within three business days. I'm still wondering which group of three days

they have in mind. There's another check a few pages back. I wrote it for a catalog order, which we then put on hold. Maybe we'll never send it. But I still have to include it in the checkbook reconciliation.

Then there's the double payment. That messed up everything!

Last week was so busy, my head was spinning. While it spun, I wrote two checks on separate days to pay one bill. The first one stayed in my purse for lack of an envelope. I happened to be in town a couple days later and paid the bill in person. When I found the first check, I sent that, too. Oh, me.

Just as I was about to gather my wits for the final juggle of debits and credits, an unmarked deposit jumped off the page and hit me between the eyes. I called the bank. They told me to call the people who wrote the check. Those people called their own bank. All those little stamped numbers on the back of the check speak the covert language of the banking world, and that cadre was able to detect that I had actually cashed the check instead of depositing it.

So, after adding in the check never cashed, putting back the funds for the thing we didn't buy, voiding the check we paid twice, and taking out the deposit I never made, we came out \$15 ahead!!!

I mopped my brow, put away the checkbook, tossed the pen across the table, and CROWED!

I did it!!! I battled the numbers, came out bruised and bleeding, but triumphant.

Higher math is such a struggle. I'll stick to words. It reminds me of a Charles Schulz "Peanuts" cartoon, years ago. In frame one, Lucy added 12 + 12 and got 32. Charlie Brown reminded her that 12 plus 12 is only 24. Lucy thought it over and decided that since she got 32, that's even better!

That's me, in a nutshell, which is where I belong.

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Betty Beggs to Receive Howard Payne University Degree at age 76

Brownwood Bulletin
By BRYAN MIZE
Howard Payne University

In many ways, Betty Beggs is a typical college student. This spring, she's enrolled in Childhood Development, Introduction to Sociology and Computer Graphics. She spends hours surfing the Internet, and she's making plans for life after graduation. The only thing that separates Betty from the rest of her classmates is her age.

At 76, Betty will fulfill a lifelong dream in May when she completes her studies for the Bachelor of Applied Arts and Sciences degree at Howard Payne University.

"Usually on the first day of class, students who do not know me look me over pretty good," said Betty, who commutes to class three days a week from her farm near Cross Plains. "But, they always accept me and treat me as just one of the students."

Betty's pursuit of a college degree began in 1940 when, upon her graduation from high school, she studied medical technology for one year at a junior college. She then worked several years in clinics and hospitals while her husband, J.T. Beggs, managed Singer stores. He was often transferred in his job, so Betty would attend nearby colleges to work on her degree. She earned most of her college credits at Texas Christian University in Fort Worth.

When her husband decided to purchase a farm near Cross Plains in 1956, Betty chose to stay at home with their young sons. During this time, she completed a correspondence course in art and worked toward certification in medical technology. When her sons entered school, she worked as a medical technologist in De Leon until 1975 when she resigned to help her husband with the responsibilities on the farm as their sons moved away.

Following her husband's death in 1994, Betty wanted to find something to keep her busy. She recalled earlier days when she shared stories with her family of her days as a college student. Those memories, along with the desire to finish her degree, led to Betty's decision to pick up where she left off in college.

In 1998, Betty enrolled at HPU where she will earn the B.A.A.S. degree, a program designed for non-traditional students who can receive college credit for prior study and life experience. For Betty, that was an open door.

"The thought of returning to college to earn my degree was always in the back of my mind," she said. "And, I've realized it's never too late to learn."

A challenge during Betty's recent transition into college was like that of every college student — deciding on a major. Her work experience and courses in medicine provided an option, but a lifelong interest in painting seemed more appealing. She enrolled in the B.A.A.S. program where she received credit for her previous college work, which included enough hours for a major in art.

"I decided that producing art was a lot easier then running up and down the halls of a hospital," said Betty, who has sold nearly 90 paintings through the years and currently has artwork displayed in the Sonshine Tea Room in Brownwood.

Following graduation, she would like to serve as a short-term missionary where she could utilize her background in medicine or art, and start a freelance commercial art business.

"It will have to be a part-time business, though, because I want to be the boss," she said. "I don't want to punch a clock. I've punched enough clocks in my life."

Betty said she found a home in HPU's computer lab, where graphics courses enable her to combine her artistic talents with design programs.

"I could easily spend four hours a day on the computer," said Betty, who admits she enjoys surfing the Internet on her home computer.

Betty appreciates the willingness of faculty and students to help her succeed in her courses.

"I am very comfortable talking with teachers and students," she said. "There have been times when

a teacher has assigned a project and I've thought, 'What am I doing here?' But every teacher has expressed a personal interest in me and encouraged me along the way."

One of her most rewarding experiences occurred last spring when she worked on a class project for the Brown County Historical Society's opening of the Brown County museum. Betty represented her student group on that project.

"I enjoyed that opportunity to meet people in the community and to work with students to design those materials," she said.

Betty looks forward to May 6 when she will walk across the stage to accept her diploma. Her cheering section will be full of family and friends.

"It will be a big thrill when I receive my diploma," she said, "but I will also take away more than a diploma. Howard Payne is a place where I like to be. There is something special about being a part of this school, and it will make my diploma that much more meaningful."

Locally Known Girl Continues Winning at Golf

Mandee Westerman, a junior at Rising Star High School, won the girl's high school golf tournament held Monday, March 20, at the Hico Golf Course. She shot an 84 to take home the 1st place medalist plaque, and help her team win 3rd place.

Their next competition will be the District Tournament held at PAR Country Club in Comanche.

Mandee is the daughter of Gary and Betty Westerman of Rising Star and the granddaughter of Sybil Westerman, also of Rising Star, and Noel and Alma King of Cross Plains.

Pizza House Musical March 25

Saturday, March 25th will be our monthly Country and Western Musical to be at the Pizza House on Access South 1-20 Road. Music will start at 6 p.m. All country singers and bands are invited to come and play. There is plenty of comfortable seating, delicious pizza, mexican food and salad bar. No admission charge.

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Submitted by Thelma Kniffen

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Jordan Cattle Auction - Brownwood
March 14, 2000

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Travis Hallmark	Mingus	2 Strs 638 @ 90.50
Ernest McBride	Brownwood	4 Strs 683 @ 90.50
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