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DOWNHOME

By VANDA ANDERSON-CREECH
 Editor

"A Tribute to Linda"

You who were acquainted with Linda Henson know what a special individual she was. It has been difficult for me to understand why the Lord called Linda home at this early age, but of course He knows best.

However, if there was anyone ready to meet her Savior, she was. She was totally dedicated to her Lord and her church. She filled her life with church activities and doing good deeds.

Linda truly "walked the walk" and like Rick Justice, who officiated at her service, stated, "She was satisfied with her Lord."

She amazed me with her upbeat attitude, as she consistently saw the glass half full. Finding the bright and positive side of any situation was her strength.

She never complained about anything. Wow, what an accomplishment! Her faith in the Lord was so powerful.

I first met Linda, when we had children in the same class at school, but I got to know her better working with her concerning advertisements through Citizens State Bank. She was so easy to work with and so flexible.

I was able to assist her some when she decorated for the Christmas Village one year. The theme was based around the 1950's and she used her creative talents to the max. She worked all day at her job and cut out 1957 Chevrolets and other decorations at night. She was relentless until the task was complete.

Her skills are evident in the banners she created for the First Baptist Church. I am not aware of which ones she worked on, but they are all outstanding.

The last time I had the opportunity to speak with Linda was the day she was at the bank visiting. She was so happy that day and told everyone she loved them. I plan to hold that memory dear.

We would all do well to try to follow the example of Linda, as she was a wonderful person and we will all miss her so.

Little League Parade Set for Saturday, April 28

The Cross Plains Little League will kickoff the new season with a parade on Saturday, April 28, beginning at 1 p.m.

All Tee Ball and Little League players should meet on the vacant lot behind the Dairy Queen at 12:30 a.m.

The players, along with Cross Plains Volunteer Fire Department Fire Trucks and the Emergency Medical Service ambulance will proceed downtown and then to the baseball field.

Opening ceremonies will be held and the official beginning of the season will begin.

Remember National Prayer Day May 3rd

National Prayer Day will be acknowledged in Cross Plains on Thursday, May 3, at 12:20 noon.

All who would like to participate may join in the group prayer at the flag pole at the City Hall.

Prayers for local and national government and leaders, along with other important subjects, will be offered at this time.

Services for Linda Henson Held Monday, April 23rd

Linda Henson, age 50, of Cross Plains, passed away Friday, April 20, 2001, at her parent's home in Brownwood, following a six-month courageous battle with cancer.

Services were held at 2:00 p.m., Monday, April 23, 2001, at the First Baptist Church with Rickey Justice officiating. Burial was in Cross Plains Cemetery in Cross Plains, Texas with Higginbotham Funeral Home of Cross Plains in charge.

She was born December 21, 1950, in San Angelo, Texas to David Lloyd and Jean (Horton) Lloyd.

Linda was a member of the First Baptist Church of Cross Plains and sang in the choir. She also taught the Joy Sunday School Class and attended the Ladies Thursday Night Bible Study Class. She was a member of the Big Country Emmaus Community.

She was employed by Citizens State Bank as a loan officer and had worked there since she moved to Cross Plains.

Linda enjoyed camping with her family each year on vacation and was

always happy doing things outside where she could admire the beauty of God's creation.

She leaves behind a legacy of dedication to her church in the beauty of most of the banners that grace the walls of First Baptist Church. Linda will be missed by her family as well as her many friends.

Survivors include her son, Chris Henson of Brownwood; parents, David and Jean Lloyd of Brownwood; two sisters, Carolyn Dosier and husband, Barney of Weatherford and Rhonda Smith of Brownwood; grandmother, Nona Lloyd of Brady; two nephews, Brian Dosier and wife, Chandra, and Jonathan Smith; and one niece, Melissa Dosier.

Pallbearers were Randy Foster, Rex Beggs, Albert Lovell, W.G. McCoy, Alvin Hutchins and Roy Stambaugh. Honorary pallbearers were Citizens State Bank employees.

In lieu of flowers memorials may be made to the First Baptist Church Building Fund, P.O. Box 130, Cross Plains, Texas 76443.



PERFORMING ROLLER PIGEON HELD LOCALLY — Bob Golson (left) participated in the World Cup Qualifier contest with his roller pigeons which Eldon Cheney (right) served as judge.

Local Man Competed in World Cup Qualification Fly for Performing Roller Pigeons

By VANDA ANDERSON-CREECH
 Editor

You may have read about Bob Golson's roller pigeons when he spoke to the Kiwanis Club, but did you understand what they were?

I had plenty questions for him and felt that everyone else would like to know more about these special birds. So Bob invited my co-worker, Melody McWilliams, and me to come out when the birds competed.

The birds originated from Birmingham, England and are characterized by flying in a circular pattern as they gain altitude, then suddenly start rolling in a downward spiral toward the ground. The key is for the group, which is called a kit, to all roll at the same time (a minimum of 5 kits) and fall at least 10 feet.

Last Monday, April 16, Golson's birds flew to qualify for the World Cup. This includes the United States, England, Canada, South Africa and

the Netherlands. The top 2 finishers in each region advance to fly in the World Cup competition.

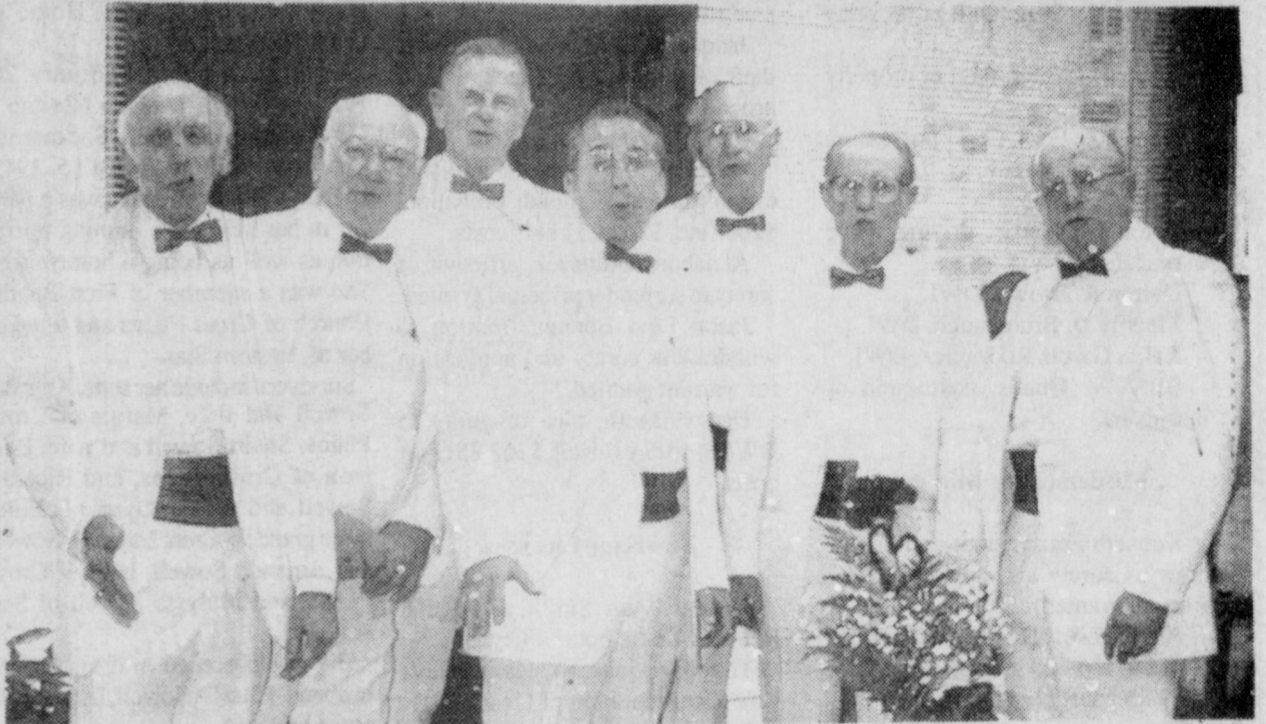
Eldon Cheney was the judge for the Texas Region. He explained that Texas had its own region due to its size. Other states are combined into various regions and then the foreign countries are categorized.

Cheney, who lives near St. Louis, Missouri, is well seasoned, having judged five foreign countries and 33 states. He has his own roller pigeons and was able to compete in the event, as a judge from another region evaluated his birds.

The judge always comes to the pigeon owner's property for the flight. As it turned out, there were quite a few bystanders at the Golson home to view his performing roller pigeons.

Golson flew a kit of 16 birds and for some reason, possibly the humidity or air pressure that day Golson noted, they flew extremely low to the ground.

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THE HEARTLAND HARMONIZERS

The Annual Cross Plains Volunteer Fire Department Fish Fry This Friday at the Community Center

The Cross Plains Volunteer Fire Department will hold their Annual Fish Fry on Friday, April 27, at the Cross Plains Community Center from 5 to 8 p.m.

The menu consists of fish OR chicken strips, French fries, beans, coleslaw, tartar sauce and all the usual condiments, including ice tea and peach cobbler for dessert.

Adult plates are \$7.00 and \$3.00 for

children 12 and under. Carry-outs are available at the same price.

Featured at the Cross Plains Volunteer Fire Department fish fry will be the Heartland Harmonizers, a barber-shop-singing chorus. Their performance will begin at 6:30 p.m.

This group is composed of men from Brownwood, Coleman, Goldthwaite and Cross Plains. Headquarters for the group is Brownwood

with weekly meetings and open invitations. The chorus is under the direction of Mr. Charlie Conners of Brownwood.

The drawing for the Dalmatian Quilt will be Friday evening, also. So buy those tickets now.

All the proceeds will benefit the local volunteer group who are so dedicated in their service to the community.

Bake Sale to Benefit Local Boy Friday, April 27

The Cottonwood Quilting Club is sponsoring a Bake Sale to benefit Andrew Wheeler, 12 year old son of Sherri Wheeler Kitchens, so that he can go to summer camp for children with epilepsy. Camp Summit in Argyle, Texas, is sponsored by the Epilepsy Foundation for greater North Texas.

The bake sale will begin at 9:00 a.m. Friday, April 27, in front of Village Market. If you can help with baked goods, you may drop them off Thursday at the Cottonwood Community Center, at Isla Stroud's home in Cottonwood or bring them to the sale on Friday.

Your help in sending Andrew to summer camp will be appreciated.

"Meet the School Board Candidates" May 1st at Local Community Center

The Cross Plains Public Library is sponsoring a Town Hall Meeting at the Cross Plains Community Center May 1, so the public can meet the eight candidates who are competing for the three openings on the Cross Plains School Board.

Mr. Cecil Barton, member of the Cross Plains Library Board, will moderate the meeting and will ask each candidate a series of questions. If you have a particular question or questions that you would like addressed, you may drop them off at the library or mail them to: Cross Plains Public

Library, P.O. Box 333, Cross Plains, TX. 76443.

All questions will go through a screening committee so please make them relevant to the issues. Our quality of education, initiatives that you would like to see the school take, problems you would like to see the school resolve, etc.

The Town Hall meeting promises to be most informative. Everyone is encouraged to attend, so that you may learn the views of the candidates BEFORE the May 5 school board election.

Citizens State Bank to Host Reception Welcoming the Turners to Community

The Directors, Officers and Staff of Citizens State Bank are hosting a reception to welcome Tom and Denise Turner to Cross Plains.

Tom has been appointed as the Banking Office President of the Cross Plains bank. Tom, a native of Rule, comes to Cross Plains from Ameri-

State Bank in Lubbock.

The Turner family includes four children, Logan, Layton, Carter and Madelyn.

Bank customers and friends are invited to the reception to be held in the bank lobby on Friday, April 27, from 10 a.m. to 12 noon.

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Athletic Boosters Meeting

Thursday, April 26,
 8 p.m. in the Gym Foyer

Plan Athletic Banquet

All parents are urged to attend

COURTHOUSE NEWS

COUNTY COURT Roger Corn, presiding

Misdemeanor Filings

Paul Tidwell, theft of property by check.
Terri Bushnell, theft of property by check.
Lisa Dela Rosa Keith, criminal trespass.
Danny W. Booth, driving while license suspended (DWLS).
Jarrod W. Page, theft of property by check.
Debbie Glazner, theft of property by check.
Denise A. Ford, Ct. I - possession of prohibited weapon, Ct. II - possession of marijuana.
Arron M. Norris, driving while intoxicated (DWI).
Darren R. Brown, DWI.
Maunie D. Brumbaugh, DWI.
Ralph Garcia Rodriguez, DWI.
Billy W. Qualls, possession of marijuana.

Misdemeanor Minutes

Kenneth Fraizer, motion to withdraw as surety and application for warrant granted.
Anita Rose, plea of guilty to false report to a peace officer, \$100 fine, \$242.25 court costs.
Pamela Adams, plea of guilty to theft of property by check, 60 days in jail, \$250.25 court costs.
Richard Hawkins, motion to revoke probation granted.
Nikea DeAnn Clark, transfer request from Callahan Co. to Hood Co. granted.
Jana Mundine, plea of guilty to DWLS, 6 month probation, \$200 fine, \$242.25 court costs.
Nikea DeAnn Clark, plea of guilty to theft of property by check, 1 year probation, \$100 fine, \$262.25 court costs, \$387.27 restitution.
Richard Cody, plea of guilty to theft of property by check, 6 month probation, \$50 fine, \$287.25 court costs, \$255 restitution.
Lee Andra Goble, motion to dismiss motion to revoke probation granted.

Alcenuia Bullard, plea of guilty to false report to a peace officer, 6 month probation, \$200 fine, \$242.25 court costs.

Cyle Mitchell, plea of guilty to assault, 1 year probation, \$500 fine, \$242.25 court costs.

Bill Vaughn, motion to revoke probation granted.

Jerry Olinger, order extending probation granted.

Lee Meador, motion to dismiss to theft of property by check granted, paid restitution.

Jacquelyn Soto, plea of guilty to theft of property by check, 1 year probation, \$100 fine, \$287.25 court costs, \$322.70 restitution.

David Alberty, plea of guilty to evading arrest, 6 month probation, \$200 fine, \$242.25 court costs.

Alejandro Guterrez, affidavit of surety to surrender principal granted.

Jason Levi Bennett, motion to withdraw as surety and application for warrant granted.

Danny Booth, plea of guilty to DWLS, 10 days in jail, \$262.25 court costs.

Marriage Licenses

Jeremy Lynn Smith and Sarah Rebecca Keith, both of Clyde.

Timothy Michael Yates and Neva Kay Hamilton, both of Ovalo.

Billy Michael Miller and Tasha Naomi Bryan, both of Abilene.

42nd DISTRICT COURT John Weeks, presiding

Civil Filings

Debra Gail Wood and Christian Devon Wood, divorce.

Cassandra Gail Yielding, name change.

Civil Minutes

Kodi Lee Noland and Leslie L. Noland, divorce granted.

Rita Darraugh and William Darraugh, divorce granted.

Dale William Schwesinger and Cherie Ann Schwesinger, divorce granted.

OBITUARIES

Geneva G. Sowell

Mrs. Geneva G. Sowell, age 76, of Cross Plains, died Tuesday, April 17, 2001, at Hendrick Medical Center in Abilene.

Services were held at 2 p.m. Friday, April 20, 2001, at the Higginbotham Chapel with Ed Jackson officiating, assisted by Joe Coppinger. Burial was in the Cross Cut Cemetery in Brown County, Texas under the direction of Higginbotham Funeral Home of Cross Plains.

Geneva was born February 20, 1925, in Ovalo, Texas to Newton J. Coley and Gracie Hollis. She married Charlie Sowell on August 15, 1943, in Bangs, Texas. Geneva was a partner in her husband's farming operation as well as being a homemaker. She was a member of First Baptist Church of Cross Plains and a member of Eastern Star.

Survivors include her sons, Kenneth Sowell and wife, Margie of Cross Plains, Stuart Sowell and wife, Barbara of Cross Plains, and Richard Sowell and wife, Klynn of Eula; three grandchildren, Matthew Sowell and Amanda Sowell, both of Cross Plains, and Malysa Sowell of San Angelo.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Charlie Sowell, her parents and a brother.

Pallbearers were Arthur White, Jr., Keith Watkins, Rex Beggs, Dick Koenig, Cliff Kirkham and Joe McWilliams.

Memorial may be made to Hendrick Medical Hospice Care, P.O. Box 1922, Abilene, Texas 79604-9938.

Gainer Boyd

Gainer Boyd, age 68, of Early, Texas passed away at 8:40 p.m. Thursday, April 19, 2001, at Brownwood Regional Medical Center.

Services were held at 2 p.m. Sunday, April 22, 2001, at the Davis-Morris Funeral Home Chapel in Brownwood. Interment followed in the Pleasant Valley Cemetery.

Mr. Boyd was born May 14, 1932, in Owens, Texas to Lon and Lorena Pittman Boyd. He was a 1949 graduate of May High School and served in the U.S. Army. On June 1, 1957, he married Anita Johnson in Brownwood. He was a member of the Fourth and Stewart Street Church of Christ where he served as a deacon. He was a rancher, peanut farmer, retired from 3M and had been a lifetime resident of Brown County.

Survivors include his wife, Anita Boyd of Early; one son and daughter-in-law, Leon and Julia Boyd of Round Rock; two daughters, Nita Boyd of Owens and Darla Keesee and husband, Carl of Early; four grandchildren, Karesa and Karlton Keesee of Early, Mia Strooper of Owens and Evan Boyd of Round Rock; two sisters, Glenda Phillips of Pioneer and Shirley Dodds and husband, Winiford of Early.

He was preceded in death by his parents.

In lieu of flowers the family requests memorials be made to the Belize Mission at Fourth and Stewart Street Church of Christ or to Wendell Dodds Memorial at Cherokee Home for Children, P.O. Box 295, Cherokee, Texas 76832.

Cross Timbers Southern Baptist Association Meeting Monday, May 7th at Tuscola

Cross Timbers Southern Baptist Association Meeting will be held at Elm Creek Baptist Church, 6110 FM 89, Tuscola.

The Executive Board Meeting and WMU Meeting will begin at 5:30 p.m. followed by supper. At 7 p.m. John Morgan, pastor of Sagemont in Houston will be the guest speaker.

Cross Timbers Southern Baptist

Association has twenty-nine member churches located in Brown, Callahan, Comanche, Eastland, Hamilton, Nolan, Stephens and Taylor counties. The Association is affiliated with the Southern Baptists of Texas Convention and the Southern Baptist Convention.

For more information contact Dwaine Clower, Association Moderator at (254) 725-7574.

Donation to Cross Cut Cemetery Told

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Baxter of Cross Plains gave a donation to the Cross Cut Cemetery in memory of Gatha Melton Porter.

All contributions are greatly appreciated. You may send them to O.B. Byrd, Route 2 Box 79, Cross Plains, Texas 76443.

Five animals tested for rabies in County turn up negative

Five animals were diagnosed as negative for rabies by the Texas Department of Health's Zoonosis Control Division during the month of February 2001.

The Department of Health tested one skunk, one raccoon, one dog and two cats for rabies in February and all five cases turned up negative for the disease.

The Zoonosis Control Division tested 1,153 animals for the disease in Texas during the month of February and 93 animals tested were positive for rabies. The majority of positive rabies resulted from 80 skunks. There was one fox, eight bats, one raccoon, two dogs and one bobcat reported as positive for rabies in the state in February.

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Dr. Richard Chaffin to Retire from First United Methodist Church as of April 29th

By VICKI DILLARD

The Cross Plains First United Methodist Church has the unfortunate task of announcing the retirement of our pastor of five years, Dr. Richard Chaffin. Dr. Chaffin has proved to be a tried and true leader of our church. We have gone through ups and downs -- as all churches do -- and have always come out on top with Richard valiantly leading us.

Richard and his wife, Mary Ann, came to us in 1996 as a fill in for our then pastor, Rev. Hubert Austin, who had taken ill. Dr. Chaffin was planning on retiring at that time when he graciously accepted the supposed temporary position for Rev. Austin. To make a long story short, he and Mary Ann ended up staying in our church and making Cross Plains their home.

Richard has accomplished many positive achievements for our church. He has been such an inspiration that our church family membership grew by leaps and bounds. Richard is very reverent in his belief in the Bible. He

has a very unique style when speaking to a congregation. Easily understood and well loved, we will miss him dearly.

If you never got a chance to hear God's message from Richard, you've really missed out. His last official sermon with us will be on Sunday, April 29th. We invite everyone to attend at 10:45 a.m.

Richard and Mary Ann will still be a part of our community. A new life of adventure and freedom from schedules awaits these two great people. This retirement is well deserved and I think Richard is serious about it this time around.

A new pastor has been announced for his replacement. He will be in Cross Plains on June 17th. His name is Michael Redd. He is 47 and has a Master's Degree in Counseling. His wife Sandy is a psychology professor at Cisco Junior College. Let us all welcome these two, as they will become a part of the Cross Plains Community.

Please pray for our church as we go through this transition. Thank You and God Bless!

Love Fund for Betty Edwards

A Love Fund has been established at Citizens State Bank for Betty Edwards who is hospitalized for a broken leg. She will require physical therapy when she is released from Brownwood Regional Medical Center.

Your generosity and prayers on her behalf would be greatly appreciated.

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Sunday Evening Worship.....6:00 P.M.
Bill Armstrong - Pastor

COLONIAL OAKS NURSING HOME NEWS

By LINDA MERRITT

This week will be recognizing National Volunteer Week. We would like to take this opportunity to express our appreciation to all our volunteers for all they do in giving of their time and energy to brighten the lives of our residents.

You all are truly SPECIAL PEOPLE! Thank you for touching so many lives. Volunteers open their hearts to others.

We are proud to announce that two of our employees, Jackie Turner and Laura Chastain, have passed their Vocational Nursing Entrance Exam. Congratulations to you both!

Thoughts and prayers for Roy Gardner who is in the hospital.

All of us here at Colonial Oaks want to express our heartfelt sympathies to the family of Linda Henson. Linda was a very dear friend and loved by all. Her sweet personality and caring heart will never be forgotten.

May Schulle and Norma Graham visited with Mary Weaver.

Evelyn and Emily Harris, Frank, Anja and Sarah visited with Frank Bartek.

Kim Woerner and family visited with Blackie Reynolds.

T.J. Romeo from West Virginia visited with J.C. Childers.

Violet Edwards from Cisco visited

with Delilah Goble.

Alice Lockhart from Austin, Sandy Clevinger from Lago Vista, Carol Owen of San Marcos, Reuben and Ruby McCowen of Lubbock visited with Myrtle Owen.

James Griswold from Hawley visited with Deen Haddox.

Charles and Tiffany McKenzie, Austin Walker, Mary, Brian and Lydia Nixon from May visited with Carl McKenzie.

Activities

MONDAY: Bingo winners were Vera Belyeu (2), Minnie Swann (2), Falba Shofner and Delilah Goble. Exercise.

TUESDAY: Art class. Singing with Dorothy.

WEDNESDAY: Sing-a-long with Bob Wallace. Movie time and popcorn.

THURSDAY: Manicures. Ball toss. Skip-Bo games.

FRIDAY: Bingo winners were Falba Shofner, Vera Belyeu, Jessie Casey, Ruby Harrell and Delilah Goble. Popcorn.

SUNDAY: Old Time Gospel Mission.

Hearts are warmed when they are filled with thoughts of a friend.

COTTONWOOD NEWS

By WALLACE BENNETT

Bake Sale to Benefit Epilepsy Camp

The Cottonwood Quilting Club will sponsor a bake sale to benefit Andrew Wheeler so he may attend a summer camp for children with epilepsy. The sale will start at 9 a.m. on Friday, April 27, in front of Village Market in Cross Plains.

Donations are sought for baked goods for the sale. Please contribute your baked items to Mary Weaver (725-6544) or Isla Stroud (725-6263) in Cottonwood.

The camp is sponsored annually by The Epilepsy Foundation of Greater North Texas (EFGNT) and takes place at Camp Summit in Argyle.

"This is a very important camp for children with epilepsy or other seizure disorders," said Janice Huckaby, Director of Children's Services for EFGNT.

The epilepsy camp provides learning experiences not available in public schools and other social activities. They learn to live more comfortably with their disability, according to Janice Huckaby. "The campers are involved with age specific activities and learn coping skills as they interact with other children who have epilepsy. They experience growth and gain self-esteem and greater independence as they spend this enjoyable week with peers at Camp Summit," said Huckaby.

What is an Embroglio?

I don't know myself, exactly, but one happened near Cottonwood in 1889 and was reported in the Cottonwood News column of the *Callahan County Clarendon* in that year. So, all you'll come to the annual meeting of the Cottonwood Historical Association

tion on May 5, 2001, to find out what took place.

Lunch will be served. Families should bring a covered dish: vegetable, salad or dessert. Meat, bread and iced tea will be furnished by the Association.

April Musical Post Success Notes

The Cottonwood Musical was a solid success as music devotees listened to lively numbers from such groups as the Swing Shift from Clyde, Dalton Thomas from Brownwood and young Brandon Odom from Cisco. The music was good and all performers did a great job, according to Mary Weaver, who acted as master of ceremonies for the event. The next musical will be carded for May 18, at the Cottonwood Community Center.

Personals

Geneva G. Sowell, of Cottonwood, died April 17, 2001, in Abilene. She was buried in the Cross Cut Cemetery on April 20, 2001, beside her husband, Charlie, who preceded her in death. Higginbotham Funeral Home of Cross Plains handled the arrangements.

Geneva was born in Ovalo, Texas February 20, 1925, and is survived by three children, Kenneth, Stuart and Richard and their families.

Calendar Items

April 28, 2001 - Workday for the Cottonwood Quilting Club and the Historical Association, 9:00 a.m. Cottonwood Community Center

May 5, 2001 - Cottonwood Historical Association - Annual Meeting

(Please report all news events and personal items to Wallace Bennett 725-7474.)

Jefferson Awards to be Presented at Precious Jewels Luncheon

Volunteers from throughout Midwest Texas will be honored at the Precious Jewels Luncheon on April 27. Ten finalists will receive special honor and recognition at the event. Three top winners will be announced; each will receive a bronze Jefferson Award medalion, specially crafted at the Jefferson Mint in Washington, D.C.

A National Selection Committee has chosen one of the three Midwest Texas finalists who will travel to Washington, D.C. in June to attend a special ceremony at the U.S. Supreme Court. The winner, to be announced at the Precious Jewels Luncheon, is automatically considered for the Jacqueline Kennedy Onassis Award for Greatest Public Service Benefit-

ing Local Communities. Nationally, five people will receive this prestigious award.

Vicki Clark, vice president of the Points of Light Foundation in Washington, D.C. will be the keynote speaker at the Precious Jewels Luncheon, to be held in the Round Building at the Taylor County Expo Center. The luncheon begins at 11:30, and tickets are available at \$12.50 each (or a table for 10 at \$125.00) through the Nonprofit Resource Center at 915-677-8166.

The Midwest Texas Jefferson Awards and the Precious Jewels Luncheon are a collaborative project of the Abilene Reporter-News, KTSX-TV, and the Nonprofit Resource Center. Luncheon underwriting has been provided by the Dian Graves Owen Foundation, Junior League of Abilene, and the Shelton Family Foundation.

SENIOR CITIZENS MENU

April 30 - May 4

MONDAY--Tacos, Lettuce, Tomato, Cheddar Cheese, Ranch Style Beans, Mexican Corn, Jello w/Topping, Milk
TUESDAY-- Chicken & Dumpplings, Green Beans, Tossed Salad, Strawberry Shortcake, Bread, Milk
WEDNESDAY--Meat Loaf, Carrot Raisin Salad, Potatoes, Black Eyed Peas, Applecake, Bread, Milk
THURSDAY--Pork Chops, Lima Beans, Okra, Spice Cake, Bread, Milk
FRIDAY-- Lasagna, Garden Salad, Italian Blend Veggies, Bread Sticks, Apple Crisp, Milk

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QUIPS, CLIPS & COMMENTS

By KAY MOSLEY

"The Picture"

While visiting with a friend the other day in the waiting room of a local business, she told me this story and what it came to mean to her.

While caring for some children recently; for whom she was baby-sitting, a small toddler came up to her and talked with her. The child was approximately 3 to 4 years old and outfitted with pencil and paper. The little boy said he was going to draw a picture of her. When he had completed his drawing he showed it to her.

She told this writer, you know the picture was really good considering the child's age and all. She said the little artist had drawn her hair, eyes, nose, mouth, etc. including her jeans and striped shirt.

What struck her as unusual, my friend said, was that he had drawn her hands about twice the size of the rest of her; with the fingers all outspread. It occurred to her that in caring for

a child we do use our hands an enormous amount of times per day. The hands are used to tuck them in at nap and bed times; used to prepare their meals and snacks, and to dress each child; to comb their hair, tie their shoes, to hug to touch, to look at books, play ball and many, many other activities.

Those same hands soothe away the tears, the little hurts and skinned knees of daily living.

Perhaps that is why the small artist (amateur) drew those hands larger. Hands are important to him. The loving hands of parents, grandparents, child care sitters, teachers, aunts, uncles and others, and that most of all the comfort of realizing the love and care which comes to the child through those hands.

This story reminds me slightly of the country western song "Daddy's Hands". Also, in my heart I know that it was the loving hands of God which created children. Children for all of us to love and cherish.

SCHOOL BOARD MINUTES

The Cross Plains I.S.D. Board of Trustees met April 19, in a regular meeting with the following members present: Terry Nixon, Donnie Dillard, Scott Childress, Charles Chesshir, Monty Richards and Tony Wyatt.

The following administrators and guests were also in attendance: Superintendent Jackie Tennison, High School Principal Leonard Wilson, guests, Mark Own, Walker Kyle, Kathy Anderson, Nora Odom, Susan Hartman, Darrell Walker, Cord Woerner and Curtis Cooper.

Prayer was led by Jackie Tennison. Minutes were approved as read.

In the Open Forum Jackie Tennison reported status of gym floor -- lawyers involved. Scott Childress asked about previous tabled item

Motion was made by Wyatt and seconded by Nixon that we accept the transfers brought before the board at this time. For 6 Against 0

Motion was made by Richards and seconded by Wyatt that we approve the agreement with Comanche Special Services Coop to provide Special Education services. For 6 Against 0

Motion was made by Childress and seconded by Nixon that we approve the Cross Plains I.S.D. Technology Plan for 2001-2002. For 6 Against 0

Motion was made by Wyatt and seconded by Richards that we approve application to State Education Agency for waivers for early out days. For 6 Against 0

Motion was made by Nixon and second-

oned by Richards that we approve application to TEA for 3 extra staff development days. For 6 Against 0

Motion was made by Richards and seconded by Wyatt that the board adopt the (LOCAL) policies contained within the restructured TASSB Localized Policy Manual, effective this date and repeal all previous policies. For 6 Against 0

Motion was made by Nixon and seconded by Childress that we adopt the school calendar for 2001/2002. For 6 Against 0

Executive session was declared at 7:53 p.m. and ended at 8:28 p.m.

Motion was made by Nixon and seconded by Richards that we offer a letter of assurance to our secretary staff. For 5 1 Abstained - Tony Wyatt

Motion was made by Richards and seconded by Wyatt that we offer a letter of assurance to our teachers aides. For 6 Against 0

Motion was made by Wyatt and seconded by Nixon that we offer a letter of assurance to our auxiliary personnel. For 6 Against 0

Motion was made by Childress and seconded by Wyatt that we accept the resignation of Dianne Hail as Home Economics teacher and Lydia Yoder as Band Director for C.P.I.S.D. For 6 Against 0

Board reviewed bills for April. Motion was made by Wyatt and seconded by Childress that we adjourn. For 6 Against 0

Additional Information on Female Postal Employees at C.P.

Jack Scott, former publisher and editor of the *Cross Plains Review*, provided the facts that Cross Plains' first female post master was Ms. Nettie Newton, who served September 1904 until 1909.

She was the mother of Mrs. Sam Sipes, the great-grandmother of Rita

Gay Franks, former resident of Cross Plains.

Verna Mae Ramsey also served what seemed like a protracted period as "clerk in charge", which Scott believed followed the term of F.R. Anderson.

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The Psalmist, King David, said this Person is "the stone which the builders rejected" - but that He "has become the chief cornerstone," Psalm 118:22. Paul acclaimed Him to be the "spiritual Rock" that followed the Israelites in the wilderness, providing them "spiritual drink," I Corinthians 10:1-4.

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Jim Cook, Seeks School Board Position in Election

To the citizen's of Cross Plains Independent School District,

Hello, my name is Jim Cook and I am a candidate for school board at Cross Plains ISD. For those of you who don't know me I would like to take this time to tell you a little about myself, my family and my goals and reasons for becoming a candidate.

My wife, Patricia and myself have lived in Cross Plains for 15 years. I have been a Texas State Trooper for 16 years. Patricia is employed by Cross Plains ISD as a Teacher's Aid. Patricia and I have 3 children, all which attend Cross Plains Schools. Ashley attends Cross Plains High School. J.D. attends Cross Plains Junior High and Macayla attends Cross Plains Middle School. There are three good reasons right there why I am a candidate. The education of our children and preparing them for the future is the utmost importance to us.

Before I continue, I will assure you that my decision to become a candidate was not based on being displeased with our school system. I have no vendetta or ax to grind with any school board member, administration or faculty of Cross Plains ISD.

My reason for running for school board is simple. Our current school board has worked hard and has done an excellent job of maintaining our school system. I applaud them for their dedication to this endeavor. Our administration manages and spends your tax dollar wisely for the

benefit of our school. Our teachers work tirelessly to educate our children. My goal is straightforward. If elected to the board of trustees, I will advance the objectives and projects our board has worked so hard to achieve. I believe I can have a good working relationship with all members of the board and vote my conviction for the enrichment of our school.

As I mentioned earlier, the education of my children is extremely important. Whether they attend college after graduation or join the work force, I want them to have the knowledge and experience succeed in what ever they do. I'm sure you want this for your children too. My goal is to make sure all our children are prepared to meet the world or find out why. This is my promise to you as a parent.

Trying to raise three growing children requires Patricia and I to live within a budget. Being a State Trooper requires me to work within a budget. Which means money has to be managed wisely and we can't have everything we want. The same applies to our school system. I feel that my experience living and working within a budget. I can help Cross Plains ISD stay in good financial standing.

I appreciate you taking time to read this. In doing so, I hope that you can see that I am a candidate because I care about our children, our school and our community. I would appreciate you vote and support on May 5.

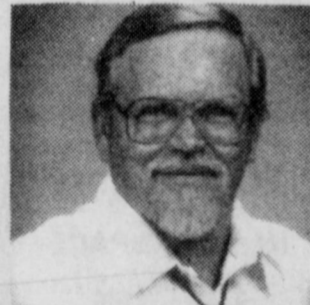
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CANDIDATE FOR CITY COUNCIL



My Purpose in running for City Council is to work as a member of the team to help Cross Plains to grow and prosper. Other items on my agenda I plan to work toward are: to start a program to give citizens a higher incentive to keep Cross Plains clean of rubble, damaged or unrepared autos, and other unattractive trash deposits.

I noted an article in last weeks paper that this year May 19, is the day allocated for extra trash pickup. This means you can put out for pickup items which the trucks do not usually pickup, such as bundled tree limbs, old chairs, etc.

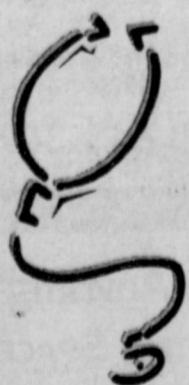
Also it is my intent, if elected to research and assist in finding more activities for teens and young people which could be implemented and would be possible to provide in Cross Plains. It is my opinion that more interesting, fun and available activities for the youth would really help to make their lives better and more meaningful. After all, I do have a grandchild growing up here. I would appreciate you vote.

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Area K9 Search and Rescue Team Still in Need of Funds

The garage sale, held last weekend at Buffalo Gap to raise funds for US Tactical K9 Corps, Search and Rescue Unit (formerly Thunderstorm K9 and Rescue), was a great success. All the help and support was richly appreciated.

This year may prove to be one of the worst Spring seasons yet weather wise. In preparation for these events, US Tactical K9 is having another fund-raising event this weekend.

The funds will go to support the team in new equipment and traveling expenses to disaster throughout Texas, Oklahoma and Kansas. It costs approximately \$2,000.00 to \$3,000.00 for the team to deploy to a tornadic disaster and remain for approximately 4 days.

Most of this money comes from the individuals who volunteer their time; however, this year the needs are exceeding those funds.

April 28, Grand Ole Oplin in Oplin, Texas will host the First Annual Benefit Dance! Featuring DJ Jon from the Cactus Moon out of retirement! Silent Auction will feature such sponsors as Pam's Pets, PCS Tools and many many more! Tickets are \$5.00 at the door. Doors open at 6:00 p.m.

If you'd like to donate to this fund, please contact Malinda Julien at 672-4840 or Jon Julien at 793-3020. To find out more about humanitarian efforts by US Tactical K9, both in the US and Europe, visit their website at www.ustk9.com.

American Quarter Horse Event Noted for April 26-29 at Expo Center in Abilene

The Big Country QHA will host an American Quarter Horse Association-approved show on April 26-29 at the Expo Center of Taylor County in Abilene.

American Quarter Horse shows test horses' ability in dozens of different classes and feature exciting events such as jumping, reining, barrel racing, cutting, roping, and pole bending. Additionally, halter classes that judge American Quarter Horses based on balance, muscling and breed characteristics are held.

People who exhibit at an American Quarter Horse Show earn points that turn into awards or cash at the end of the year. By competing at an AQHA shows, exhibitors and horses also can qualify for the AQHA or American Quarter Horse Youth Association World Champi-

onship Shows, the premier events in the entire equine industry.

"We welcome all American Quarter Horse owners as well as anyone who has a passion for horses," said Bill Brewer, AQHA executive vice president. "AQHA shows are fun, and anybody who has even wanted to get involved with horses or compete at an AQHA show is encouraged to come."

Each year, AQHA approves more than 2,700 shows and special events across the globe. For more information about the Big Country QHA, please contact Texas Quarter Horse Assn., 512-458-5202.

For additional information about AQHA, including showing, racing or recreational riding programs, contact AQHA at (806) 376-4811 or visit AQHA's web site at www.aqha.com.

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News for Veterans

DVA Payments—Figures just received from the Department of Veterans Affairs reveal that \$2,130,060 was paid to Callahan County Veterans, widows or dependents during Fiscal Year 2000 which ended 30 September 2000.

This was an increase of \$74,271 over Fiscal Year 1999. Almost all of the gain was in compensation and pension with \$72,071 more being received directly into the hands of these deserving people. Education and Vocational Rehab payments increased by \$2,565 with \$52,268 being received. Insurance & Indemnities decreased by \$365 from \$93,917 paid in FY 1999. A total of \$1,984,240 was paid in compensation and pension which is a great help in meeting the expenses of everyday life.

Purple Heart Award—On November 30, 1999, the Veterans Millennium Health Care and Benefits Act was passed. This new law made important changes for those Veterans awarded the Purple Heart. As a Purple Heart Recipient you will be placed in enrollment Priority Group 3 (unless currently enrolled in Priority Group 1 or 2). You will also be exempt from the co-pay-

ments for hospital and medical outpatient care. PLEASE NOTE: This exemption does not include pharmacy co-payments and there are no changes in beneficiary travel.

Prescription Co-Payment—We were told at the Abilene meeting April 12 that there is a very strong possibility that co-payment for prescriptions will be increased from \$2.00 to \$5.00. PLEASE wait for further news on this before you dash off a letter to Washington, D.C.!!

DVA Secretary—Anthony J Principi has taken the helm as Secretary of the Department of Veterans Affairs. Secretary Principi, a Navy Veteran of the Vietnam War, served as Deputy Secretary of V A from March 1989 to September 1992, when he was named Acting Secretary by President George Bush. He held that position until January 1993. A 1967 Naval Academy graduate, he served as commander of a river patrol unit in the Mekong Delta. He earned several decorations for his service, including a Bronze Star with a "V" for valor. Secretary Principi and his wife, Elizabeth Ann, have three sons, two of whom serve as officers in the Air Force.

28th Annual Cisco Civic Folklife Festival This Saturday and Sunday

The 28th Annual Cisco Civic Folklife Festival will be held on the 28th and 29th of April, at the Cisco Junior College Campus. Activities on both days include a parade, a Trailride Breakfast, an Antique and Etc. Auction at 5 p.m. on Saturday, a Vintage Clothing Fashion Show on both days, pioneer demonstrations, arts and crafts booths, rides for the children and ongoing live entertainment, in-

cluding Jordan Wilks on Sunday at 3:30 p.m.

Food booths include all time favorites including homemade bread and strawberry shortcake, not to mention hamburgers, turkey legs, etc.

Festival hours are 10:30 a.m. until 7 p.m. on Saturday and 11 a.m. until 4 p.m. on Sunday. General information may be had by calling Millie Lewis at (254) 442-3827.

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Increased outbreaks of foot-and-mouth disease in Europe and in more than 30 other countries around the world have Texas producers and overseas travelers on guard. While there has not been a case of food-and-mouth disease in the United States since 1929, we all must be acutely aware of the situation abroad and take all possible precautions to keeping this devastating disease out of the United States.

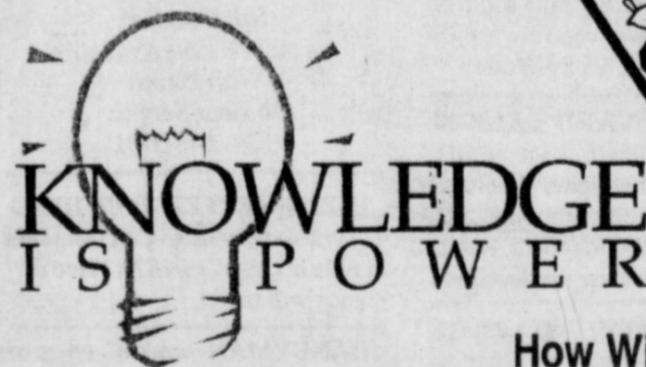
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FMD could be a disastrous situation for U.S. producers — one confirmed case in the United States could halt all U.S. livestock and livestock product exports. That's why we all must do our part to keep foot-and-mouth out. Together we must work to preserve our vast livestock industry and the livelihoods of our American farmers and ranchers.

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C.P. STUDENT REVIEW



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AREA IV—The Dairy Foods judging team from Cross Plains High School placed third in the Area IV contest during the FFA Career Development Event held on the campus of Tarleton State University. Members of the team included (from left) Dani Rivard, Jennifer Young, Kati Wooten (eighth high individual) and A.J. Carouth (third high individual). At right is advisor Roy Richey. (Tarleton News Service photo)



AREA IV—The Poultry judging team from the Cross Plains High School placed sixth in Area IV Poultry contest during the Area FFA Career Development Event held on the campus of Tarleton State University. Members of the team included (from left) Cole Koenig, Nathan Joy and Kevin Scott. Pictured at right is advisor Marc Morgan. (Tarleton News Service photo)

Advanced Physics Class Attended Six Flags Physics Day

The students were able to apply the concepts studied in the classroom such as Newton's Laws of force and motion, gravitational force, velocity, acceleration, vectors, projectiles and the properties of sound.

Those students attending were as follows: Jared Nowell, Sarah Nixon, Stephanie Parker, April Hall, Judy Mauricio, Nathan Hawkins, Joshua Hopkins, Kevin Wilson, Jennifer Canales, Candice Bailey, Shane Sharpe, James Ross, Chuck Norris, Greg Black, Angela Swift, Erin Stephens, Jordan Duran, Melanie Chesshir, Clinton Grubbs, Mikey Bennett and Jesse Santos.

I would like to thank Mrs. Becky Dillard for driving the bus to and from Arlington, and Mrs. Black for being a parent sponsor. I would also like to thank the administration and faculty of Cross Plains High School for their support and making High School Physics Day at Six Flags over Texas possible.

Submitted by Michelle Beasley

Boys and Girls Track Compete at Glen Rose Qualifier Meet

On Thursday the Cross Plains High School Boys and Girls Track Teams traveled to Glen Rose to compete against other Regional Qualifiers from 1A through 3A schools. It was a talent packed meet with some great performances. Our kids had a good meet and competed well against the bigger competition.

400 Relay Boys - 44.32 - Dimitri, Nickerson, Dillard, Kitchens
 400 Relay Girls - 52.22 - Wyatt, Mosier, Thomas, Lewis
 3200 Girls - 13:18.4 - C. Hyles
 800 Girls - 2:39.4 - S. Hyles
 800 Boys - 2:02.5 - Dimitri
 100 Hurdles Girls - 16.7 - Kitchens
 100 Hurdles Boys - 11.02 - Dillard
 800 Relay Girls - 1:50.70 - Wyatt, Mosier, Thomas, Lewis
 400 Boys - 58.60 - Phillips
 400 Boys - 58.29 - Harris
 400 Boys - 59.72 - Wilson
 400 Girls - 67.3 - Swift
 400 Girls - 69.1 - Bailey
 300 Hurdles Girls - 49.37 - Kitchens
 300 Hurdles Boys - 38.59 - Kitchens, 3rd place

200 Girls - 27.55 - Lewis
 1600 Girls - 5:54.5 - C. Hyles
 1600 Girls - 5:55.3 - S. Hyles
 Girls Mile Relay - 4:21.2 - Wyatt, Swift, Thomas, Kitchens
 Boys Mile Relay - 3:34.2 - Dillard, Dimitri, Hawkins, Kitchens
 Field Events:
 Shot Put Girls - 33'6" - Wilson
 Discus Girls - 106'1" - Wilson
 High Jump Boys - 6'4" - Kitchens, 3rd place
 Pole Vault Boys - 13'0" - Hawkins.
 Regionals will be this Friday and Saturday at AmeriCray Stadium at Abilene Christian University in Abilene.

Submitted by Coach Mike Cavender

CP vs Ranger April 10, 2001

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	RUNS	H	E
CP	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	2	7	0
Ranger	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	2	4	9	2

PITCHERS	IP	K	BB	H	R	ER
NORRIS	4.33	5	4	3	2	2
L POTTER	3.67	7	0	6	2	2

NAMES	H	AB	R	RBI	K	BB	EXTRA BASE HITS
BEGGS	1	4	1	0	2	0	0
KITCHENS	1	3	1	0	2	1	0
HAWKINS	1	3	0	0	1	1	0
WHITEHEAD	2	3	0	1	0	0	1 DBL
DILLARD	1	4	0	1	0	0	0
HILL	0	4	0	0	3	0	0
POTTER	0	3	0	0	1	1	0
NOWELL	0	1	0	0	1	0	0
MATHEWS	0	2	0	0	2	0	0
REED	1	3	0	0	1	0	0

+ .600 ON BASE AVE. Hawkins 3 for 4 : Whitehead 3 for 4

CP vs Santo April 13, 2001

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	RUNS	H	E
CP	1	0	0	0	3	0	0	4	10	3
Santo	6	2	0	0	0	0	X	8	6	1

PITCHERS	IP	K	BB	H	R	ER
L HAWKINS	3	2	3	6	8	7
REED	3	4	0	0	0	0

EXTRA

NAME	H	AB	R	RBI	K	BB	BASE HITS
BEGGS	1	2	0	0	0	2	0
KITCHENS	1	4	1	0	1	0	1 DBL
HAWKINS	1	4	1	0	0	0	0
WHITEHEAD	2	4	0	1	0	0	0
DILLARD	3	4	1	0	0	0	0
POTTER	1	3	1	1	0	0	0
REED	1	3	0	0	0	1	0
HILL	0	2	0	1	0	1	0
MATHEWS	0	1	0	0	1	0	0
HOPKINS	0	1	0	0	1	2	0
NOWELL	0	1	0	0	0	0	0

+ .600 ON BASE AVE. Dillard 3 for 4

CP vs Bartlett April 13, 2001

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	RUNS	H	E
CP	2	0	1	0	0	0	2	5	11	1
Bartlett	2	0	0	3	0	2	4	11	11	1

PITCHERS	IP	K	BB	H	R	ER
L NORRIS	5.33	6	5	7	7	7
POTTER	1.667	3	0	4	4	4

NAME	H	AB	R	RBI	K	BB	EXTRA BASE HITS
BEGGS	0	3	1	0	2	1	0
KITCHENS	3	4	1	1	0	0	1DBL
HAWKINS	0	3	1	0	1	1	0
WHITEHEAD	3	4	2	1	0	0	0
DILLARD	4	4	0	2	0	0	0
MATHEWS	0	3	0	0	0	1	0
REED	0	3	0	1	1	1	0
NOWELL	1	4	0	0	1	0	0
HILL	0	2	0	0	0	0	0
HOPKINS	0	1	0	0	0	0	0

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I appreciate your vote on May 5 for James Ames.

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High School District Tennis Results Reported

By COACH CODY CHANDLER

The Cross Plains High School Tennis Team did not fare well at the District Tennis Meet this year. In the boys doubles, Nathan Joy and Chris Sliger, who had steadily improved throughout the year, lost in the first round. Aaron Lewis and Cory Phillips also were defeated early in the boys doubles.

Katie Wooten was defeated in the first round of the girls singles division, and Russell Allen bowed out in the first round of boys singles.

Jennifer Turner and Sarah Nixon advanced to the semifinals before running into two strong double teams from Menard and finished in 4th place.

Brandon Gilliam suffered the same fate as he lost the second and third place finishers from Eden. Gilliam also took the 4th place spot.

Junior High tennis was a different story. Kelsee Richards won the 8th grade girls singles, while Amber Duran and Samantha Hutton took 1st

place in 7th grade girls doubles. Karen Ross took 3rd in 8th grade girls singles.

In the 7th grade boys singles Lance Gilliam won 2nd place, while Roy Smith came in a close 3rd. In the 7th grade boys doubles River Dillard and Chance Watkins won 2nd and Travis Golson and Levi Wooten won 3rd place. The 8th grade boys doubles team of Dusty Cooper and J.D. Cook placed 3rd.

Thanks you guys for making my year fun!

Biology Class Takes Field Trip to Aquarena Springs

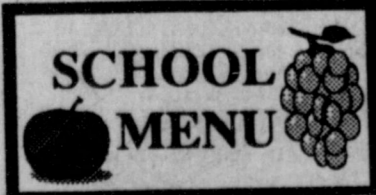
The Biology I classes of Cross Plains High School went on a field trip to Aquarena Springs in San Marcos on March 20, 2001.

The students applied concepts learned in class concerning various plant and animal life that is supported by the Comal River and the Edwards Aquifer. Some of the plants of the Comal River bloom underwater, and the river is also home to the albino catfish. The students journeyed on glass-bottom boats to observe plant and animal life as well as observe the natural springs. The students also took water sample from the Comal River and tested it for oxygen and clarity.

Those students attending were as follows: Daley Anderson, Andy Bennett, Charly Canales, Dusty Dickson, Bree Dillard, Joshua Ely, Cassie Gallaway, Sammy Gardner, Christin Hyles, Shana Hyles, Ryan Mack, Jose Mauricio, Kim Mosier, Marian Reed, Amanda Rivard, Marcus Williams, Kati Wooten, Jennifer Young, Troy Westbrook, Russell Allen, Brittany Apple, Sheila Bell, Randy Duncan, Tristan Jones, Casey Pack, Jordan Pancake, Dustin Snell, Andrew Taff and Trevor Dillard.

I would like to thank Mrs. Koenig and Buhel for driving the buses for this field trip and Mrs. Gardner for attending as a parent sponsor. I would also like to thank the administration and faculty of Cross Plains High School for their support and making the field trip to Aquarena Springs possible.

Submitted by Michelle Beasley



SCHOOL MENU

April 30 - May 4
 BREAKFAST

MONDAY--Sweet Rice, Toast, Assorted Juice
 TUESDAY-- Eggs, Toast, Jelly, Assorted Juice
 WEDNESDAY--Pancake, Sausage, Assorted Juice
 THURSDAY--Cereal, Toast, Assorted Juice
 FRIDAY--Cinnamon Rolls, Assorted Juice

LUNCH

MONDAY--Chili Beans, Cheese, Cornbread, Salad, Mixed Fruit
 TUESDAY--Ham Slices, Scalloped Potatoes, Spinach, Roll, Peaches
 WEDNESDAY-- Chalupa's, Cheese, Salad, Corn, Pudding
 THURSDAY-- Veg-Beef Soup, Grilled Cheese, Crackers, Apricots
 FRIDAY--Hamburger, Lettuce Tomato, Pickles, Fries, Rice Krispies Treat

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5th SIX WEEKS

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JUNIOR

Timothy Butler
 Melanie Chesshir
 April Hall
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Roger Carey
 Nicholas Dimitri
 Tabatha Franke
 Jennifer Hartman
 Danielle Marion
 Jake Merryman
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"A" HONOR ROLL
5TH SIX WEEKS

7TH GRADE

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8TH GRADE

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Cross Plains ISD Trustee Candidate



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I graduated in 1976 from Cooper High School in Abilene. I attended Tarleton and McMurry Universities.

Before moving to Cross Plains, I was employed for 13 years at Baack Florist in Abilene as a floral designer. I am currently employed at Tims Floral here in Cross Plains.

Quality moral and standards set at home go hand in hand with first rate education for a student to excell. The destiny of our world lies within the aspirations of our children. What are we doing to insure and prepare our children's future?

I hope to plant seeds of God, knowledge and high ideals to build a solid foundation for securing a positive outcome for each child.

I will stand up for my beliefs and if I am elected I will do my best to guarantee quality education and a safe environment for all Cross Plains students.

I am open to listen to you, as caring parents and citizens, on your views and ideas for enhancing our school. I would appreciate you vote on May 5th.

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EASTER BUNNY/BASKET WINNER — Brittany Crouch, daughter of Don and Astrid Crouch of Cross Plains, won the World's Largest Easter Bunny and basket of games given away at Higginbotham's.



PERFORMING ROLLER PIGEON CONTEST SPECTATORS

Birds

They displayed some good quality of rolls and depth and togetherness at the first. Cheney awarded the birds a very high score of 1.5 for their good work. In the first 5 minutes of competition Golson's birds had 5,5,5,6,8, birds rolling at the same time. The judge noted that a 2 was the highest score possible for quality of rolls and depth and he had never awarded anyone a 2. So Golson's pigeons were impressive indeed.

However, a couple of pigeons landed early (before the end of the 20 minute fly period) and disqualified him from the competition. Bob had added two new birds to this kit and they were the ones that landed. He remarked, "They had always flown together before today." Isn't that the way it goes sometime?

Cheney was highly complimentary of Golson's birds and noted that he would probably be in the top contenders within the next two years.

Golson is a member of the National Birmingham Roller Club. He commented that like any other competition animal, the pigeons have special care, conditioning and handling. He flies his birds at least once a day and their flight time is usually a minimum of one hour.

Presently Bob has 110 birds including flyers, breeders, young birds and

culls. The culls are those that never fly with the kit or consistently land early. Golson said, "It helps to have good stock." He got his stock from Calvin Ratcliff and Bill Moody of Graham, Sam DaMommio of Arlington, Joe Joyner of Brownwood, Freddy Thomas of Eastland and Homer Griggs of Stephenville. All these men had offered him invaluable advice and information on the care and flying of roller pigeons. Golson has been involved in the sport for the past year.

The Texas Fly begins May 12 will take about one week. Golson plans to participate in this competition and welcomes everyone to come watch.

All of us who were present thoroughly enjoyed the unusual sight. We were able to get a close-up of the spiral rolls. You felt like they might hit the ground, which sometime one does. When they climb to great heights it becomes difficult to see without the aid of binoculars. The man who laid on the ground with his binoculars probably had the best view.

You know the old saying that you learn something new everyday? Well, this was a very informative day and I hope you will know what a performing roller pigeon is now.

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Callahan County Oil & Gas Production

	Jan. 2001	Feb. 2001
Total Oil Production	18,915	37,925
Total Gas Production	95,005	145,512

County oil and gas higher in January

Oil and gas production figures for February 2001 in Callahan County have recently been released by the Railroad Commission of Texas, and the month's oil production and natural gas production totals were both lower than January 2001 totals.

Total gas production in Callahan County for the month of February 2001 was 145,512 MCF. One MCF is equal to 1,000 cubic feet of natural gas.

Total crude oil production in Callahan County for the month of February was 37,925 barrels of oil.

The total oil production in Callahan County during January 2001 was 18,915 barrels of oil. Total gas production in January was 95,005 MCF of natural gas.

Other oil production months for Callahan County include: February 2000 with 22,175 barrels, March with 22,292 barrels, April with 20,013 barrels, May with 21,121 barrels, June with 23,990 barrels of oil, July with 20,385 barrels, August with 24,351 barrels of oil, September with 22,227 barrels, October with 21,232 barrels of oil, November with 25,009 barrels and December 2000 with 21,466 barrels.

Diane Carlile Named Student Government Advisor of the Year at CJC

Diane Carlile, Director of Student Life at Cisco Junior College, didn't realize just how good she was at her job, but the students of CJC have always known. Carlile was named Student Government Association (SGA) Advisor of the Year at the Texas Junior College Region II Conference after being nominated by current and former students as well as CJC president, Dr. Roger Schustereit, and Board of Regents president, Brad Kimbrough. The hard working group of students got their own nod from the region as well when they were named Region II SGA Chapter of the Year.

The regional honors earned them the right to be nominated for the same awards at the state level in Austin at the Texas Junior College Student Government Association (TJCSGA) state conference where both Carlile and the Student Government Association from CJC were named first runners-up in their categories. The CJC SGA also competed regionally with entries in the scrapbook division and the essay contest.

Carlile and several members of the Cisco Junior College Student Government Association recently returned from Austin after participating in the state SGA conference. While at the state convention, CJC representatives attended workshops regarding topics such as networking, leadership, team building, dealing with adversity and parliamentary procedure. The students attending were Joe Denham, Jess McDowell, Rani Robbins, Crystal Hoyle, Clay Doyle, Rachel Bush, Lori Bishop, Amber Burnett, Joey Haas and Javier Garcia.

T- Ball Game Schedule

5:00 Game	6:00 Game
Angles - Cubs	April 28
Angles - Giants	May 4
Angles - Braves	May 5
Cubs - Angles	May 11
Cubs - Braves	May 12
Cubs - Giants	May 18
Giants - Braves	May 19
Angles - Giants	May 29
Giants - Cubs	May 31
Cubs - Angles	June 5
Cubs - Braves	June 7
Braves - Angles	June 12

Little League Baseball Schedule

5:30 Game	8:00 Game
Kilowatts - Buffs	April 28
Cats - Kilowatts	May 4
Cats - Buffs	May 5
Kilowatts - Cubs	May 11
Cats - Buffs	May 12
Cats - Kilowatts	May 18
Kilowatts - Buffs	May 19
Buff - Cats	May 29
Kilowatts - Cats	May 31
Buff - Kilowatts	June 5
Cats - Buff	June 7
Cats - Kilowatts	June 12

CONCESSION STAND WORKERS SCHEDULE

LOOK FOR YOUR CHILD'S NAME

If you are unable to work, Please find someone else on your team to trade with. Thank you for all you help and support. Without your help our kids could not have a little league.

After Parade on Saturday games will begin.

April 28	May 11	May 19	June 5
Ben Schaefer - Giants	Lindsey Ames-Braves	Logan Turner-Angles	Jayten Ames-Brave
Joel Hinton- Braves	Tony Skidmore- Giants	Blake Hutchins-Cubs	Joseph Eubank-Giants
Markus Maxwell- Cats	Christa Potter- Angles	Austin Thomas-Giants	Justin Golson-Cub
Brice Bowden- Cats	Cheyenne Cowan- Cubs	Dillon Whiteley-Braves	Jonathan Hollis-Angles
Katharine Goode-Angles	William Meador-Buff	Jerry Simons- Cat	Joey Westerman-Cat
Cody Ford- Cubs	Joe D. Wyatt- Buff	Jet Tirado-Cat	Brice Bowden-Cat
J.J. Callaway- Kilo	2nd Game	Chad Switzer-Kilo	Thor Woerner-Kilo
Andrew Poole- Buff	Russell Thomas- Kilo	Cody Baker-Buff	Chisti Burrhus-Buff
May 4	Ricky Daniels- Cat	May 29	June 7
5-6	May 12	5-6	5-6
Shelby Ames- Braves	Rachelle Allen-Giants	Tristen Stephenson-Brave	Rachelle Allen-Giant
Shahala Trammell- Cubs	Charleen Avants- Angles	Christopher Wheeler-Cub	Shayla Cozart-Angel
6-7	6-7	6-7	6-7
Layton Turner- Angles	Hayden Wyatt- Cubs	Lauren Goode-Angles	Hayden Wyatt-Cub
Travis Sparks- Giants	Britton Dukes- Braves	Colton Rockett-Giants	Patrick Border-Brave
5:30 - 7:30	5:30 - 7:30	5:30 - 7:30	5:30-7:30
Jacob Melton- Buff	Clayton Thomas-Kilo	Justin Gardner-Kilo	Taylor Savell-Kilo
Clay Koenig- Buff	J.J. Callaway- Kilo	Beth Savell-Kilo	Russell Thomas-Kilo
Second Game	2nd Game	2nd Game	2nd Game
Rivers Bryan- Cats	Douglas Bowden-Cat	Jerrad Eisenbach-Buff	Allan Wheeler-Cat
Chad Switzer- Kilo	Andrew Wheeler-Buff	Rivers Bryan-Cat	Justin Dickson-Buff
May 5	May 18	May 31	June 12
5-6	5-6	5-6	5-6
Ethan Wells - Giants	Cody Self-Braves	Samantha Dickson-Angles	Kevin Baker-Cub
Payton Porter- Cubs	Nicole Eisenbach-Angles	Ryder Foster-Brave	Alyssa Wheeler-Giant
6-7	6-7	6-7	6-7
Colton McWilliams- Angles	Dakota Beaty-Cubs	Dustin Bidwell-Giant	Joy McKenzie-Angle
Brittney Crafton- Braves	Kira Wells-Giants	Maci Whitson-Cub	Riley Lawrence-Brave
5:30 - 7:30	5:30 - 7:30	5:30-7:30	5:30-7:30
Brock Cooper- Kilo	Danny Johnson-Buff	Will Mack-Buff	Joe Dalton Wyatt-Buff
Thor Woerner- Kilp	Tommy Burrhus-Buff	Andrew Poole-Buff	William Meador-Buff
2nd Game	2nd Game	2nd Game	2nd Game
Jet Tirado- Cat	Markus Maxwell-Cat	J.J.Callaway-Kilo	Clayton Thomas-Kilo
Will Mack- Buff	Thomas Savell-Kilo	Tru Avants-Cat	Patrick Kline-Cat

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Wide open spaces

By M. Ray Perryman

In the next few weeks, the Texas Legislature has the opportunity to greatly enhance the lives of people and success of businesses in rural Texas without raising taxes one cent.

Rural Texas conjures up images of fields of cotton, cattle grazing on vast expanses, and silent pumps coaxing black gold from beneath the soil. All these thoughts revolve around the wide-open spaces that once lured settlers to the Lone Star State.

But agriculture and oil and gas extraction, once the mainstays of rural Texas, now employ only half as many workers as they did in their heyday. Meanwhile, people are moving to our state seeking high tech-related jobs. The spaces are still wide open, but they are now invisible and "cyber."

It is no surprise that economists now view high-speed Internet access as a key tool for local economic development. It's becoming as critical as access to a trained labor pool and private capital.

Confirming this view, both a recent legislative study committee and the Public Utility Commission (PUC) have emphasized that access to high-speed Internet, or broadband communications technology, at competitive prices is critical to the future prosperity — if not the survival — of rural Texas.

What does affordable access to broadband communications technology mean to rural Texas?

It means rural Texans can bring first-class education via the Internet to the most remote school. A science teacher, for instance, could use broadband technologies to stay current on the subject and help students learn from scientists living hundreds of miles away.

It means businesses have the option of locating in smaller communities. The Internet is a way to put rural Texas on a more even footing with other parts of our state, indeed the entire country.

It means top physicians and the life-saving medical information is accessible not just to the best city hospitals, but also online to rural clinics in any part of Texas.

Without affordable access to this vital new-economy infrastructure, rural Texas will surely continue to lag in economic performance. Texas can't afford it.

However, as was the case with electricity and telephones in another era, private investors have no incentive to bring these technologies to areas where there aren't enough people to make their capi-

tal investment pay off. We may agree on the need, but how does it get paid for?

Here's a partial solution. One PUC commissioner has proposed using what the PUC says are local phone companies' over earnings — excess money these companies make just to connect your in-state long distance calls.

Specifically, Texans pay almost 6 cents per minute to local phone companies for an in-state long distance call, compared to just over a penny per minute for a call to another state. What is the actual cost of the service to the local phone companies? About a penny.

According to a study by The Perryman Group, this gap in pricing means Texans pay as much as \$536 million per year more than necessary on their phone bills. Rural customers pay \$132 million or one quarter of the total.

This burden is disproportionately harder on rural customers, who spend 14% more time on long-distance calls than their urban neighbors. Most rural Texans also pay higher rates — many of the least populous areas have access rates well above the state's average, some as high as 15 cents per minute. In addition, these costs eat up a bigger portion of budgets in rural areas, which have lower per capita incomes.

If these funds were returned to rural customers, they would begin to help rural Texas. However, using these funds to augment investment in high-speed Internet services would produce more dramatic economic gains. Even on a conservative basis, The Perryman Group estimates the benefits over one decade to be \$2.33 billion in yearly production and almost 35,000 jobs.

We have a unique opportunity to see that rural Texas has the means to develop the needed broadband Internet infrastructure it needs for long-term economic progress. Let's ensure that the wide-open spaces now linking the global economy also encompass those original wide-open spaces where the Texas economy began.

Dr. M. Ray Perryman is President and Chief Executive Officer of The Perryman Group (www.perryman.com) a Texas-based economic analysis firm. He also serves as Institute Distinguished Professor of Economic Theory and Method at the International Institute for Advanced Studies. A native Texan now residing in Odessa, he frequently advises legislative bodies and regulatory agencies on matters of public policy.

Former Resident, Patty Heffley, Named Teacher of the Year for 2002

Patty (Pennell) Heffley has recently been named Teacher of the Year for 2002. Currently she is the 8th grade math and honors algebra I teacher at Birdville I.S.D. in Haltom City.

In her professional biography she stated that it all began with a desire to be just like her second grade teacher, Miss Lally. By junior high she began instructing baton twirling and this encouraged her to keep teaching.... the lessons continued through college. She noted that her junior high principal/math teacher, the late Mr. Jack Watkins, allowed her to be "teacher at the chalkboard" and he was her inspiration for mathematics.

Mrs. Heffley has contributed significantly to education through mentoring young teachers. She has been privileged to train student teachers and helped them develop a love for hands-on activities, because they saw how manipulatives enable better understanding of math concepts and how cooperative learning groups produce teamwork and productive citizens.

Patty has a Bachelor's of Science Degree from Tarleton State College and 12 hours toward her Master's Degree in Administration. She has been employed at Southwest I.S.D. in San Antonio, Northeast I.S.D. in San Antonio, Kennedale I.S.D., Azle I.S.D. and Birdville I.S.D. since 1975.

Her professional associations, offices, activities, and conference presentations include Member of Delta

Kappa Gamma...Communications Committee; TSTA Representative for her schools; ATPR Representative for Haltom Middle School; PTA Officer, Program Chairman; Team Leader for Grades 3 and 6; Instructional Facilitator for Mathematics for Haltom Middle School; A trained Gifted/Talented Teacher; served on the first Site Base Committee for Haltom Middle School; currently serving on the Site Base Committee for Haltom Middle School; Conference Presenter at CAMT in Dallas to teachers from all across Texas —hands-on activities for "At-risk Students" 1997; has attained hundreds of hours from conferences and institutes she attended every summer; and updates her Gifted/Talented hours every year.

Mrs. Heffley remarked, "The community sees me not only as a teacher but as a 'regular mom' who transports kids to band competitions, works in concessions stands at football and baseball games and one who decorates stinky locker rooms with the best of them!"

Her basic philosophy of teaching is that she wants her students to possess a love for learning, respect for one another, teamwork and to be productive citizens.

Patty and her husband, Larry, have two sons, Ben and Brian. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Dick Grider of Cross Plains.

Cross Plains High School has yet another former graduate to be proud of. Congratulations Patty, for a job well done!

Heart of Texas Cow-Calf Clinic Slated for Thursday May 3rd in Brownwood

The 23rd edition of the "Heart of Texas Cow Calf Clinic" is set for May 3 in the Brownwood Coliseum. Registration starts at 7:30 a.m. Presentations begin at 8:00 a.m.

The program is sponsored by the Texas Extension Service Offices in Brown, Callahan, Coleman, Comanche, Eastland, McCulloch, Mills and San Saba Counties. Commercial sponsors include: TXU Electric and Gas, Federal Land Bank at Brownwood, and Texas Ag Credit Service of Comanche.

This program is designed to provide information vital to West-Central Texas cattle producers. We've gathered the best in the business to address topics ranging from the calf sales outlook to developing good cows. There will be useful information for anyone in the cattle industry who is seeking ways to cash in on the bullish market trends we are now enjoying.

Dr. Steve Hammack, Extension beef cattle specialist at Stephenville, will serve as this year's program moderator.

The morning's first speaker is Dr. Ernie Davis, Extension livestock

marketing economist at College Station. Davis will present a calf pricing outlook for the coming months.

After a short break, Judon Farnough, attorney and senior lecturer with the Real Estate Center on the Texas A&M University Campus at College Station, will present the legalities of "Keeping What You Have", from the estate and liability standpoints.

The morning program concludes with tips on developing heifers into good cows by Dr. Jason Sawyer, New Mexico Cooperatives Extension Service livestock specialist at Clayton, New Mexico.

An on-site catered lunch caps off the morning program.

Afternoon speakers and their topics include: "Prussic Acid/Nitrate Poisoning of Cattle", Dr. Florin Farries, Extension veterinarian, College Station, and "Feedlot Update", Rex Bland, Cal-Tex Feedlot, Merkel.

The formal program concludes at 3:00 p.m. Registration is \$5 per person at the door. The fee covers the noon meal.

For further information contact the Extension office at 854-1518.

Tri-County Wheat Tour Planned for Friday, May 4 Beginning in Taylor County

The annual Tri-county Wheat Tour will be held on Friday, May 4 beginning at the Taylor County Demonstrations Plots on Highway 351 Northeast of Abilene. The field day is scheduled to begin at 8:30 a.m.

Producers will have the opportunity to view the variety and fertility plots, and receive the latest update on the current wheat crop situation. The discussion will be lead by Dr. Travis Miller Extension Agronomist from College Station.

In addition to the viewing of the plot, Dr. Billy Warrick, Extension Agronomist will discuss the topic, weed control for 2002. Dr. Warrick will review the herbicides available and explain how producers can avoid the weed problems occurring this growing season.

From the Taylor County Plots, the tour will travel to the Callahan County Plots. After viewing of

these plots, Dr. Chip Lee, Extension Plant Pathologist will address the group concerning the impact of stripe rust and other wheat diseases noted this year.

The tour will conclude with an industry-sponsored lunch at the Eula Community Center, catered by the Eula Lions Club. At this location Billy Henderson with the Texas Department of Agriculture will give an update on Texas Herbicide Laws and Regulations.

Three CEU's will be awarded to holders of a Texas Department of Agriculture Applicators License. If attending, contact the Extension Office in Taylor County (672-6048), Callahan County (854-1518) or Shackelford County (762-2232).

Sincerely,
Robert Pritz, County Extension Agent

Susan J. Schaefer Announces Candidacy

Susan J. Schaefer has announced that she will be running for election for trustee for the Cross Plains ISD school board in the upcoming May 5 election. Susan started her CPA business in Cross Plains in 1987. She and her family moved to the community in 1990.

Susan and her husband Phillip have two children. Starla, age 11, is in the 5th grade. Ben, age 8, is in the 3rd grade. Phillip is an employee of Cantera Resources as well as the pioneer pastor of the United Pentecostal Church here in Cross Plains.

Susan is a graduate of Tarleton State University. She has served on several boards in the community including Chamber of Commerce, Kiwanis, Cross Plains Area Housing

Initiative, and Cross Plains EMS. She is presently Chairman of the Board of the Cross Plains Housing Authority. Susan is familiar with working with financial statements and the budgeting process.

She believes that education and academic excellence of our youth should be a top priority. While providing excellent core curriculum, we should still provide our youth with experiences in the fields of the arts, music, agriculture and sports to equip our youth with a well-rounded education.

Susan believes in honesty, high moral values, integrity, and old-fashioned hard work. She would appreciate your vote and the privilege to serve our community in this capacity.

Pol. ad pd. by Susan J. Schaefer P.O. Box 501, Cross Plains, Texas 76443

First Female Camp Director Named for Heart of Texas Encampment in Brownwood

By KEN CAMP
Texas Baptist Communications

BROWNWOOD — Rhonda O'Banion made history just by reporting for work April 2 at Heart of Texas Encampment. She became the first female manager for a Texas Baptist camp.

"While there are a number of private camps directed by women, this is a first for us," said Red Colquitt, camp consultant with the Baptist General Convention of Texas. "It's a new era in Texas Baptist life."

The Heart of Texas Encampment board of directors voted March 29 to employ O'Banion as administrator. Ten associations of churches in Central Texas support the camp and are represented on its government board.

"I appreciate the overwhelming support I have received from the board of trustees," O'Banion said. "They know me, and I believe they felt comfortable with me."

O'Banion, 36, has been associated with the camp for more than 10 years. She first served as a summer worker, retreat hostess and coordinator while

she was a student at Howard Payne University.

After graduating in 1991 with a business degree, she worked two years in the recruiting department at Howard Payne University before coming on staff at Heart of Texas.

She served as program director and administrative assistant at the camp from 1993 until last September. In that role, she did everything from planning the camp's 50th anniversary celebration to serving as temporary food service director.

"Those who have worked with her have a lot of respect for her leadership," Colquitt said, noting she tends to work behind the scenes. "She is quiet and easygoing. But her reputation is that if you give her a job to do, it's done."

O'Banion maintains she is eager to be an active ambassador for the camp.

"I'm willing to represent the camp in any pulpit, as far as making a report on the work here," she said. "But I'm not a preacher, and I have no aspirations of becoming one."

Rhonda is the daughter of Frank and Edna O'Banion of Cross Plains.

Some questions are difficult:

"Mommy, where do babies come from?"

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Dryland duck...

For some reason, MyKeeper and I wanted a goose. You've got to be careful who you talk to about things like that, because a week or so later, someone called. They had a goose they could no longer keep.

If we took the goose, we had to take the duck. They were raised together and couldn't live a minute without each other. It was a package deal.

The duck came with the goose. We put them in a pen down by the chickens and close to the garden. The goose was just what we wanted; a big white beautiful creature that looked gorgeous in the grassy pen we built.

It took only a day or two to realize that what we got was a really mean old goose and a long-suffering little Mallard duck.

While the goose went on rages and rampages, the soft quack-quack-quacks of the duck were a calming influence. The goose got loose and chased us a couple of times. After wrestling him back to the pen, it fell to the poor little duck to smooth the ruffled feathers of the maniac goose.

It was a strange dependency. The duck was the only mediator between the goose and his environment.

A dysfunctional life like that develops its own neuroses and phobias, I guess, and the duck suffered in silence beneath the shadow of goose wings. We couldn't go into the pen because of the goose, but I think the little quacker secretly wished to be a pet.

MyKeeper set a large pan set just inside the fence for their water dish. We filled it with the hose from outside the fence. The pleasant duck sipped some water. The wild

goose wanted to get IN the water. MyKeeper found an old water heater tank and torched it in half. Filled with water, the duck drank from it, but didn't get in. The goose did, and the dog did. After that, the duck wouldn't go near it.

Next we got a plastic kiddie pool. We filled it with cool water and stood back to watch. It may have been wide enough, but it was so shallow the goose couldn't float. The dog loved it. Both the duck and the goose left it to the dog.

A larger pool was the answer for the goose, but not for the duck. MyKeeper snatched up the duck and tossed him into the pool. He squawked and flapped, swam to the side and jumped out. His cooing quack-quack-quacks got lost in a roaring

QUA-A-A-A-CK!
After that, whenever the goose hopped into the pool for his 15 foot swim, the duck would run around to the other side to be there when the goose stepped out. It was no surprise the Mallard wouldn't let MyKeeper catch him anymore.

Nothing we did suited the duck. I began to think he had always been a dry land duck. Maybe he never learned how to swim. Imagine the quirky sight of a duck that lands in a pool and sinks to the bottom.

In more ways than one, I don't think the duck knew who he was. We didn't either. He never even got a name. Just "Duck." But he tugged at my heart. I always thought he could be trained to be a pretty good duck if I had enough time, and if the goose would let me get near him.

As it turned out, the goose was so mean we got rid of him, and of course the duck had to go with the goose...

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IAN SCHURIG AND ANGELA GLASSCOCK

Glasscock-Schurig Announces Engagement and Approaching Marriage on May 5th

Parents, Bill and Debbie Glasscock of New Braunfels, are proud to announce the engagement of their daughter, Angela D. Glasscock, to Ian C. Schurig, son of Tommy and Patricia Schurig of Gonzales. Angela is the granddaughter of Joy Dillard and the late Bill Dillard of Cross Plains.

Angela is a 1996 graduate of New

Braunfels Canyon High School. She is currently employed with Frazier Elementary School in New Braunfels. Ian is a 1992 graduate of Gonzales High School and a 1998 graduate of Southwest Texas State University. He is currently employed with the 2nd 25th Judicial District.

The couple plan to wed May 5, 2001, in New Braunfels.

Clyde Chamber Golf Tourney Set for Saturday, April 28th

Only a few days remain to sign up for the Baird Chamber of Commerce Golf Tournament scheduled this Saturday, April 28.

Tee times will begin at 1:00 p.m. for the two-person scramble at Shady Oaks. The entry fee is \$30 per person plus carts and green fees.

There will be cash prizes for tour-

namment winners, a silent auction, prizes in the closest to the pin contest on some par threes, golf clubs from West Texas Discount Golf for a hole-in-one on number eight, and a hot dog supper following the tournament.

For information contact the Chamber Office at 854-2003.

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Ric Williamson sworn in as transportation commissioner

ABILENE, Texas — Pledging he will visit with state and local officials across Texas to learn firsthand the top transportation priorities for each region and then work to meet those needs, Ric Williamson was sworn in today as Gov. Rick Perry's first appointment to the Texas Transportation Commission.

Williamson — a former state legislator—joins John W. Johnson of Houston and Robert Nichols of Jacksonville on the three-member commission, which oversees the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT).

"From my days in the House of Representatives, I have known Ric Williamson to be a man who truly cares about serving the people of Texas," said Gov. Perry. "In his new role as a transportation commissioner, I don't expect that to change. Texans can be assured that Ric will bring a fresh perspective to the commission, and will look for innovative ways to not only maintain the state's system of roads and highways, but also provide visionary ideas for the challenges we face ahead."

Williamson, born in Abilene and now a resident of Weatherford, owns a small natural gas production company. He was a member of the Texas House of Representa-

tives from 1985 - 1998 and served as vice-chairman of the Appropriations Committee in 1991.

After being sworn in by U.S. District Judge Orlando L. Garcia, Williamson said he had already started work on his three main goals, which were given to him by Gov. Perry.

Williamson said he is going to improve relations between TxDOT and members of the legislature, find out what needs to be done to meet transportation and economic development needs across Texas and specifically along the Texas-Mexico border, then be an advocate for solving the problems.

"Texans face many transportation challenges — traffic congestion, aging rural highways, safety, air quality — just to name a few," said Williamson. "In seeking solutions to these challenges, it is singularly important we remain as one people, one state — working together to provide the best possible transportation system for all Texans."

TxDOT oversees the largest state-maintained highway system in the country at 79,000 miles and Texas motorists travel more than 569 million miles every day. Last year, nearly 18 million vehicles were registered in Texas, up by nearly a half million from 1999.



EASTER BONNET CONTESTANTS— Elva Mae Woody (right) was the winner of the Easter Bonnet Contest at the Senior Citizens Center. Fay Jackson (from left) and Peggy Koenig also participated in the fun.

Baird Community Garage Sale Slated for Saturday, May 5

The May 5th Community Garage Sale, sponsored by Baird Chamber of Commerce, is growing larger by the day.

Janet Burks, who is chairing the annual event, said the entry fee is now \$6.00 and entry forms should be returned to the Chamber Office

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Forms may be dropped off at the Chamber Office or mailed to 100 Market Street, Baird. For information call Janet Burks at 854-1865 or the Chamber Office at 854-2003.

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