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EDITOR'S NOTE: Linda Fortune faxed me the following information concerning the use of the Lord's name. It brings to light some ideas that you might have not considered. See what you think. **Vanda Anderson-Creech**

"Name Above Every Name"

I was sitting at my desk when I heard you talking to a co-worker. The conversation was loud and carried around the corner, and I could not help but hear your words, and your exclamation of, Oh God! I must tell you that hearing it made something inside of me cringe, and without a doubt it was the cry of Jesus as he heard His holy name taken in vain. I am sure if I confronted you with my being offended you would probably be confused and not understand why, and may perhaps become even a little angry.

I am sure you would tell me that you didn't mean anything by saying it. And you perhaps might even ask me what the big deal is about saying "Oh God" as this is a commonly heard expression everywhere one goes? And perhaps you might say that it never occurred to you that someone might be offended by it as you never had anyone else complain to you about it before. You might even comment that it is stupid for anyone to have a problem with this expression, as it means nothing....

I beg to disagree. As a Christian who loves the Lord, I am deeply offended to hear His name taken in vain. It does upset me, and it hurts me to hear His precious name used in such a casual way, as if it meant nothing. It hurts me to hear it shown so little respect, or honor, or consideration whatsoever of the great one who bears it, and bore so much to obtain it.

It makes me sad, and I must confess, also a little angry, as His name is holy. It is sacred. It is to be revered, esteemed, praised and worshipped. It shouldn't be treated as if it were just any name, or just a meaningless word, but for what it is, a name of immense beauty and value. It is priceless.

You may protest and say, but I didn't take the Lord's name in vain. I didn't say any curse words in relation to it. But my friend, I want you to know and to understand that taking the Lord's name in vain goes beyond just uttering a curse word with it. God tells us that His name is so precious that it is not to be used in any way other than in holy, sacred or worshipful manner. To use the phrase "Oh God" in a casual conversation such as I heard you speak is indeed to take the Lord's name in vain.

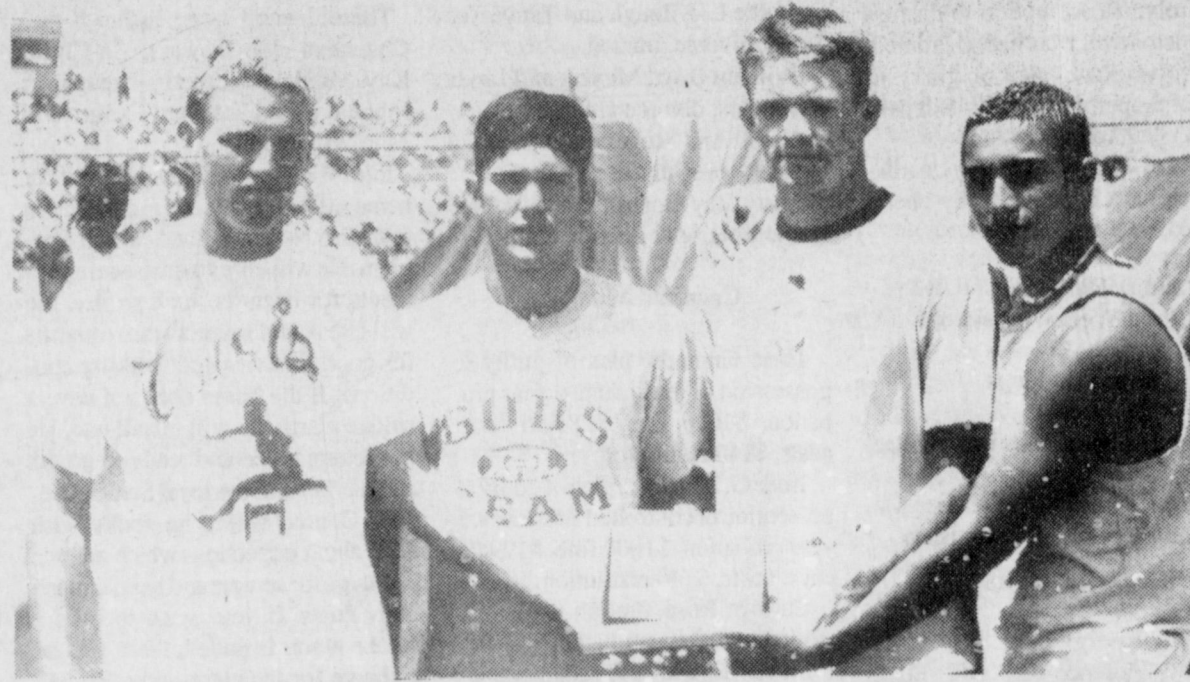
Maybe you did not realize you were doing so as you did not understand what the word vain means. So that in the future there is no misunderstanding in regard to this important subject. I want to clarify for you what the word vain means: empty, having no real value or significance; worthless, hollow, without force or effect, futile, fruitless, unprofitable.

Now may I ask you. Is this what the Lord Jesus Christ, who died on the cross for your sins so that you may have eternal life, means to you? If not, then don't act like it by taking His holy name in vain. Don't disgrace it and Him by using it in a casual way as an everyday part of your conversation.

The name of Jesus is precious. The Bible tells us that God exalted Him and gave Him a name that was to be above every name, and that at His name every knee of heaven and earth should bow. That my friend, is how precious the name of Jesus is.

Stop and think with me for a moment if you will, at the great care God must have gone to in selecting

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STATE QUALIFIERS — Chris Kitchen (from left), Nicholas Dimitri, Joseph Dillard and Jordan Duran. The boys broke the school record in the 400 Meter Relay.

Cross Plains Boys Region II Class 1-A Regional Runner-Up

The Cross Plains boy's track team competed very well in Abilene on Friday and Saturday. The team fell short of the championship by 5 points behind Trent who compiled 57 points.

Chris Kitchens started the team off with an excellent jump of 46' 11" in the triple jump to gain 1st place on Friday.

The 400 meter relay consisting of Nick Dimitri, Jordan Duran, Joe Dillard and Chris Kitchens, placed 1st on Saturday with a school record of 43.89.

Nick Dimitri ran a 1:59 in the 800 meters and came in 2nd to gain another event to run in Austin.

Chris Kitchens outran the field in the 300 hurdles with a 39.08 to gain 1st place.

These young men have competed very well and have an excellent chance in the State Meet on May 11-12.

Submitted by COACH CLAY MAHLER



NEW BANKER AND FAMILY— Madelyn, Denise, Tom and Carter Turner became acquainted with lots of new folks at the reception in their honor last Friday at Citizens State Bank. Logan and Layton Turner were unavailable to attend. A host of local customers welcomed the family into the community.



NEW BUSINESS WELCOMED BY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE— Betsy Herron (center) is shown cutting the ribbon as Chamber members and wellwishers look on.

Trinkets and Treasures Now Open Downtown

By VANDA ANDERSON-CREECH
Editor

The Chamber of Commerce hosted a ribbon cutting ceremony for a new business, Trinkets and Treasures, last Wednesday.

Betsy Herron, originally from Southern California, is the owner of the shop. She has 15 years of retail

experience with The Home Depot. She has a 13 year old son named Radley who attends Cross Plains I.S.D. Betsy rides bulls and bareback broncs for fun and has been competing nationwide for 15 years.

She originally came to this area to purchase some land and raise pigs and she still plans to do that. Needing a source of income to qualify to purchase land, the idea of a gift shop

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School Board Trustee and City Council Election Saturday, May 5th

Saturday, May 5, will be election day for school board and city council candidates. Registered voters may cast their votes between 7:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. at the Cross Plains Community Center on Beech Street.

There will be eight candidates seeking three positions on the Board of Trustees for the Cross Plains I.S.D. The positions of Terry Nixon, Rickey Carey and Charles Chesshir are expiring.

Only one incumbent, Terry Nixon, is asking for re-election, while Tricia Hopkins, Vicki Dillard, James Ames,

Curtis Wyatt, Ronald Wooten, Jim Cook and Susan Schaefer are vying for a 3-year term on the local school board.

In the City Council election there are three seats available and all three incumbents, Joe Ingram, James Nichols and Edwin Weiss, are running. Gene Dillard and Marvin Mosley are seeking election to the 2-year terms on the council.

Don't forget to vote for the candidate of your choice in these important elections on Saturday.



VOLUNTEER RECOGNIZED— Grady Ramey is shown with Texas Governor Rick Perry, who had just presented Ramey with a Medallion plaque honoring him as one of 10 top volunteers in the State of Texas. (Photo courtesy The Special Olympics of Texas.)

Former Cottonwood Resident Earns Highest Texas Volunteer Award

By WALLACE BENNETT

Grady Ramey has donated over 30,000 hours of volunteer service to the Special Olympics of Texas (SOTX). He was recognized as one of Texas' 10 top volunteers by Governor Rick Perry on April 24, 2001, in a special awards ceremony at the Governor's Mansion in Austin.

Ramey's service to SOTX spans 32 years and is calculated to be worth \$429,000, according to Special Olympics officials. He started his

volunteer service the year Special Olympics came into being and has served in almost every position the organization has to offer, from coach to Vice Chair of the Texas Board of Directors.

"Special Olympics is everything to me," said Ramey in speaking of the organization to which he has devoted a lifetime of volunteer service. His dedication stems from his desire to see the athletes succeed in their ev-

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Inspections Now Available Neighborhood Watch Program

Under the Neighborhood Watch program which is sponsored by the Callahan County TRIAD/S.A.L.T. Advisory Council, a certified inspector is now available. He is John Windham of Baird. Currently he is to begin inspection of the Cross Plains Housing Authority's apartments. He is also available to inspect private homes of senior citizens and the physically challenged.

John will inspect the home for safety. He will be checking for anything hazardous, such as papers or clothing stored too near heaters, blocked exits in case of fire, fumes from faulty heaters, etc., plus he will check your smoke alarms to see that they are working properly. There is

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Garden Club's 40th Annual Flower Show

The Cross Plains Garden Club will hold its 40th Annual Flower Show on Saturday and Sunday, May 5-6, at the Senior Citizens Center on Main Street.

Come see intricate designs of God's beautiful flowers and plants. There is no admission.

Revival Set for Hwy 206 Baptist Church

Revival will be held at Highway 206 Baptist Church in Cross Plains beginning Monday, May 7, through Saturday, May 12. Services begin at 7 p.m. except for Saturday when they start at 6 p.m.

Rex Boggs, of Gunsight, will be the evangelist.

Special music will be featured nightly. Friday Paul Cornelius from Comanche will perform and Glory Bound Gospel Group from Abilene will sing Saturday.

Everyone is cordially invited to attend.

Cottonwood Historical Association Annual Meeting

The Cottonwood Historical Association will hold their Annual Meeting Saturday, May 5, at 10 a.m. at the Community Center. This Association was formerly called Cottonwood Cemetery Association. Their main focus is still taking care of the cemeteries.

The meeting will be followed by a luncheon. The Association will furnish the meat, bread and drinks. Please bring a vegetable, salad or dessert.

The Cottonwood Historical Association hopes you will come visit with old friends, enjoy and find out what's going on.

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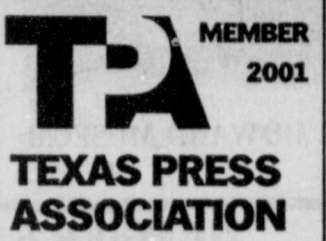
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Colonial Oaks Services

Pioneer Baptist Church will conduct worship services at Colonial Oaks Nursing Home on Sunday, May 6, commencing at 3:30 p.m.

OBITUARY

Larry Kent Smith

Larry Kent Smith, 54, died Sunday, April 29, 2001, at a local hospital. Services were held at 10 a.m. Wednesday in Oplin Cemetery with the Rev. Riley Fugitt officiating, directed by Girdner-Brown Funeral Home, 111 Elm.

Mr. Smith was born in Sweetwater. He graduated from Abilene High School, and married Vicki Sherland in Sherman. He was a rancher, a U.S. Army veteran and a Baptist.

Survivors include his wife, Vicki S. Smith of Oplin; a daughter, Lori Smith of Winters; a son, Richard Houston Smith, II of Caldwell; father and mother, Richard and Winona Smith of Cross Plains; two sisters, Sandra Sharpe and Vickie Kihlberg both of Abilene; two grandsons and four nephews.

Memorials may be made to the Oplin Cemetery, 5001 FM 2926, Clyde, Texas 79510, or to the Winters ISD Memorial Fund, 603 North Heights, Winters, Texas 79567.



Cross Plains Masonic Lodge No. 627

Stated Meeting

1st Thursday, 7:30 p.m.

www.cross-plains.tx-mm.org

www.gltexas.org

Sec. (254) 725-7530

COURTHOUSE NEWS

COUNTY COURT
Roger Corn, presiding

Misdemeanor Minutes

Eduardo Hernandez, motion to dismiss motion to revoke probation granted.

Bill Vaughn, motion to dismiss motion to revoke probation granted. Benjamin Ramsey, transfer request from Callahan Co. to Brown Co. granted.

Carolyn Rose, motion to dismiss motion to revoke probation granted.

Carolyn Rose, plea of guilty to theft of property by check, 45 days in jail, \$387.25 court costs.

Debbie Glazner, motion to dismiss to theft of property by check granted, paid restitution.

42nd DISTRICT COURT
John Weeks, presiding

Civil Filings

Christine Gay Sadler and Michael Henry Sadler, divorce.

Federated Mutual Insurance Co. vs. Ronald Paul Ricci, damages.

Civil Minutes

Kastle Energy, Inc. vs. Olga Beasley, Florence Ray Bell, Ellen Louise Nunnally Bowers, Julia V. Chenault, Marshall Deshields, Jr., John Christopher Driskill, Allen Prewitt Evans, Thomas J. Evans, Vance R. Evans, S. Graham Fraser, W.I. Gamewell, Vivian Nunnally Howell, Allen P. Jackson, Joseph Shannon Jackson, Ella Reid McCord,

Anna Katherine Montjoy, T.E. Parks, Allen Prewitt, H. Reid Prewitt, Thomas G. Prewitt, R. Smalley, W.S. Smiley, J.R. Taylor, Dr. Charles W. Terrell, Minn M. Walker, Martha Hughes Wells, M. Thaxton McGowen, Boyce E. Alvord, Irene Gary Martin, J.H. (Hall) Hadley, Margaret Hadley Richardson (a/k/a Margaret Mallow), Grace Gary Smith, Carlton I. Powell, Bessie West Hughes, and/or their unknown heirs, order appointing receiver.

Audie L. Kilough and Tanya Sue Hood, divorce granted.

William Boyd Moyers and Linda F. Moyers, divorce granted.

Carol Ann Rogers and William Craig Rogers, divorce granted.

Larry Ray Boatright and Debbie Diane Boatright, divorce granted.

Criminal Minutes

Isaac Granado, plea of guilty to possession of marijuana, 6 year probation, \$1000 fine, \$285.25 court costs, \$140 restitution.

Irene G. Martinez, plea of guilty to possession of controlled substance, 5 year probation, \$1000 fine, \$199.25 court costs, \$140 restitution.

Carolyn Rose, motion to dismiss motion to revoke probation granted.

Steven E. McVey, judgment revoking probation granted.

Aubrey A. Tatum, motion to dismiss to driving while intoxicated granted, defendant was convicted in another case.

Guy Rister, motion to dismiss to burglary of a habitation granted, defendant was convicted in another case.

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Callahan County TRIAD/S.A.L.T. Meeting Held in Cross Plains

Minutes of the April 11, 2001, meeting of the Callahan County TRIAD/S.A.L.T. Advisory Council, Cross Plains Multi-Purpose Center, 10 a.m.

The new carpeting has been installed in the Multi-Purpose Center and if you haven't seen it, you are truly missing a treat. Several commented on the huge improvement the new carpeting makes as well as the new front door and the extra cleaning which has been done. A new bench for the space outside was donated by Johnnie Bland.

The meeting was called to order at 10:10 a.m. by Esther Kerr, Chairman.

Those present were: Esther Kerr - Chairman; Joe Howser, Co-Chair; Kay Mosley-Secretary-Treasurer; Johnnie Bland, Leonard Farmer and John Windham.

John Windham is now certified for home safety inspections in connection with the Neighborhood Watch Program. He will check homes and apartments for hazards, such as fire. He will check and inspect smoke alarms for good batteries and working conditions. If the home does not have a smoke alarm, he will install one. He has letters typed and ready to go out and has been to the local Senior Citizens Center, where he spoke with them about inspections which are free of charge for seniors and handicapped individuals. If you wish to have a smoke alarm installed, there will be a charge for the alarm only. He will be doing inspections in Eula, Baird and Clyde.

Soon new tile will be installed in the ladies' and men's restrooms. Esther will contact Nancy Grisham about the article Joe Howser shared with the council at the meeting.

Next item on the agenda ---Fund-raisers. In the fall TRIAD plans to have a booth at the Barbarian Festival. Some discussion followed on the type of stand we might like for the festival.

Johnnie Bland made a motion that TRIAD have a cold drink stand at the Barbarian Festival. Kay Mosley seconded and the motion carried.

Word is that a local fourth of July Celebration is in the offing for this year. Esther will check into it. The meeting adjourned.

Submitted by Kay Mosley
Sec. Treas. Callahan Co TRIAD/
S.A.L.T. Advisory Council

Fort Griffin State Park Announces Activities

Fort Griffin State Park is hosting the second annual Birding Day and a Star Gazing Party on Saturday, May 19.

Birding Day is hosted by the Abilene Audubon Society and starts at 8 a.m. with bird walks, bird identification classes and more!

After dark the Fort Worth Sidewalk Astronomers are hosting a Star Gazing Party. View our amazing solar system through the astronomer's large telescopes; see the moons of

Jupiter, the rings of Saturn, the constellation Andromeda, and the many other fascinating sites of our amazing West Texas night sky.

Everyone will get to view through the telescopes and be able to have their questions answered by the astronomers. It will be an unforgettable experience for the entire family!

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the name of His only begotten son. As He wanted His name to be above every name, it is clear then that He wanted it to be special. He wanted it to be different. He wanted it to stand out above all others. To be unique and one that no one else had. And He had a reason why this was so important, and the reason is why He chose the name of Jesus. He who this name would be the one who would wear the crown of thorns, hang upon an old rugged cross, a testimony of the Lord's great love for the world and His people, and He would be their Savior... And this is what the name of Jesus means, for we read in the book of Matthew these words: And she shall bring forth a son, and thou shall call His name JESUS: for He shall save His people from their sins.

This is why the Lord's name is so special and should not be used in a light, or careless way, but is to be honored above all others. He is the Saviour of the world! And there is only one Savior, and one Jesus, and this is why God took such great care in choosing His precious name..

Friend, I somehow must impress upon you how important this is, and to tell you that God takes the disgrace of His beloved son's name very seriously. We are told in His word that He will not hold guiltless those who take the Lord's name in vain, which means that we shall be punished for dishonoring the name He loves so dearly. The name of Jesus is so important to Him that He included it among the Ten Commandments, instructing us there also as elsewhere in the Holy Book, that we shall stand

before God and will be held accountable for every word that our lips speak. Oh my friend, it is no small thing to take the name of the Lord in vain.

It is my prayer today that these words will be a light unto you revealing the preciousness and sacredness of the name of the Lord Jesus Christ. May it serve as a hand that will cover your mouth, and guard it, so that when you stand before the throne of grace and give account of the words your lips have spoken, you will not be found guilty of the sin of disgracing his Holy Name, and receive condemnation but instead stand before Him blameless, and receive a crown of life for honoring and praising the name above all others with your life, and the fruit of your lips.

May these humble words serve as an inspiration to you to follow in the great footsteps of King David who said of the one he loved: My mouth shall speak the praise of the Lord: and let all flesh bless His holy name forever and ever. Blessed be the name of the Lord from this time forth and forever more.

My friend, the next time I hear you speaking down the hall. I hope to hear your praising the name that is above every name. What a blessing this would be to hear coming from your lips and what a smile hearing it would put on mine.

Who am I? Let's just say, I am someone who loves Jesus, and I'm listening to see if you love Him too....

Sincerely,
Your Christian Friend down the hall.

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Welcome!

COLONIAL OAKS NURSING HOME NEWS

BY LINDA MERRITT



MARY WEAVER

Mary Weaver has been selected as the resident for this month. She was born on May 31, 1936, in Harris, Texas and is 64 years old. Mary has three children and seven grandchildren. She is married to Herman Weaver, who visits with her daily. Mary enjoys music and visiting with her grandchildren.

Our thoughts and prayers for a fast recovery are sent out to Frances Rone, who is in the hospital.

We are wanting to purchase stuffed animals for each resident. The stuffed animals' names are Hank and Hannah. They talk about the Lord, tell how Jesus loves them cares for them. Hannah, the female dog, sings about God's love and also talks about how Jesus loves you. We are accepting any donations to help purchase these soft huggable animals for our residents.

If you are interested in purchasing one for a resident, they are \$20.00 each. Please call 725-6175 or come by the nursing home.

Sheri Elrod, nurses aide, is proud to announce that her son Chris Kitchens is on his way to STATE in three

events in track. Chris set a new school record in the Triple Jump. Congratulations Chris, we are all proud of you. Good luck in state!

Appreciation to the Quilting Club for the delicious cakes and to Raymond Elrod for the fried fish.

Charlie Rogers and Hayli Foster visited Mary Weaver, along with Herman Weaver.

Roger and Michelle Rudloff from Mansfield visited with Louise Richardson.

Evelyn, T.J. Chris and Emily Harris visited with Frank Bartek.

James and Judy Harrell from MulaKoff visited with Ruby Harrell. Lonnie and Martha Switzer visited with Pauline Switzer and O.B.

Frances Whiteley visited with Jessie Casey and Pauline Regian.

Kim and Zed Woerner visited with Blackie Reynolds.

Michael Curry and Deborah Griswold from Hawley visited with Deen Haddox.

Cecil and Naomie Wilson visited Delilah Goble.

Activities

MONDAY: Bingo winners were: Vera Belyeu (2), Falba Shofner (2), Minnie Swann, Delilah Goble and Jessie Casey. Singing with Dorothy Reynolds.

TUESDAY: Art class. Exercise.

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

THURSDAY: Manicures. Ball toss.

FRIDAY: Bingo winners were: Vera Belyeu (2), Falba Shofner, Minnie Swann, Delilah Goble and Jessie Casey. Popcorn.

SUNDAY: Pioneer Baptist Church

No one is more cherished in this world, than someone who lightens the burden of another.

COTTONWOOD NEWS

BY WALLACE BENNETT

Cottonwood Visitor Reveals Few Details about Ghosts in the Cottonwood Cemetery

Olyve Hallmark Abbott of Ft. Worth came to town last Saturday to visit the old cemetery. She has authored a new book entitled *Ghosts in the Graveyard*, but did not reveal if the old Cottonwood Cemetery is featured prominently in her work.

The new book she has penned is due to be published in July by the Texas Republic Press, and in view of the recent regional publicity about modern day ghost-busters visiting the Old Cemetery at Cottonwood, this writer is anxious to have a look at it.

Abbott related that she is a former "sing and dance" performer and has appeared on the Cid Ceasar Show and other venues. She has become a writer since moving to Texas.

Quilting Club Earns 400 Dollars for Support of Epilepsy Summer Camp

The Quilting Club of Cottonwood earned \$400.00 at their bake sale last Friday and the money will be combined with the efforts of the Cross Plains Masonic Lodge and other organizations for support of the summer camp for children with epilepsy.

"It was for a very good cause and we raised much more money than we expected to make at our bake sale. The Quilting Club wants to thank everyone who donated money or baked goods for your effort," said

Mary Weaver, spokeswoman for the club.

The Club has completed an "Over and Under" quilt for Lavonne Childress and is starting a new one this week for Isla Stroud. It will be a "Double Irish Chain". Everyone is invited to the Quilting Club meetings each Thursday. Be assured that much more goes on than just the silent clicking of quilting needles. There is always good fellowship, interesting chitchat and good food.

I will be there this week, so wait till next week's column for some juicy information.

Historical Association to Meet Saturday

Don't forget! Next Saturday, May 5, is the annual meeting of The Cottonwood Historical Association (and the former Cemetery Association). We will learn some facts about Cottonwood we never dreamed of asking. "Where was Tomato?" "What is an Embroglio?"

Claire (Jordan) Edwards will present those and other interesting facts about Cottonwood that she has uncovered in her research for documentation to support application for a Historical Marker for the old cemetery.

The noon meal will be served. Families are asked to bring a covered dish, vegetable, salad or dessert. Meat, bread and drinks will be provided by the Association.

PIONEER NEWS

Sorry to have missed a couple weeks of news. The girls have been working very hard. They have gotten two quilts out, Frankie's quilt, which is a special quilt for a special person, and Laverne's quilt the beautiful, Arkansas Trouble. We are now working on Lou's hostess quilt. There will be two more put in this week. There is always one to put in.

Hopefully most of our girls will be back soon. There has been a lot sickness. Our member Glenda Phillips' brother, Gainer Boyd, passed away after being in the hospital for a while. Our prayers are with Glenda and her family. Also, our member, Bee Payne, lost a loved one in Ohio. She has been gone for a while. Our prayers are with her and her family.

We are happy to have Sandy at quilting again. She and Trisha have been helping with their mother. Sandy went with J.D. Monday for his checkup. He had surgery on his shoulder. He did get a good report but must take it easy for two more weeks.

Cowan and Laverne made a business trip to Oklahoma last week. Sunday, after attending worship services, they ate lunch in Brownwood and attended the funeral service for Gainer Boyd. Earlier in April, they went down in the Hill Country to see the spring flowers. Some of the prettiest they saw were between Brownwood and Rising Star.

Earlene Burge was given a trip to

Fredericksburg as a birthday present from her daughter, Jessica Stultz, and granddaughter, Cindy Ochoa. They reserved a Bed and Breakfast where they all could rest and relax. They enjoyed the nice restaurants and shops, but the best was the Admiral Nimitz Museum. They also enjoyed the wildflower gardens east of town. On Sunday, Earlene attended the funeral of Gainer Boyd in Brownwood.

Glenda Phillips spent one night with her sister and brother-in-law at Early and two nights with Wanda and Don Nelson so she could be with her brother, Gainer, in the hospital before he passed away on April 19. Laverne Hutton visited Glenda Saturday evening. Glen Dale from Alpine, Nancy and Thomas Wolf from Midland, Homer Phillips from Stephenville and Bob and Mildred of Eldorado, came in for the service. Glenda appreciated everyone's prayers, visits, calls and those who attended the funeral; every act of kindness.

Charlene Chesshir has been sick for several days. Glenda drove her to the doctor in Eastland last Monday. Charlene hurry and get well! We miss you! Glenda is so happy to be back driving after a long six weeks.

Exercising Caution: Maybe it's true, life begins at 50. But everything else starts to wear out, fall out or spread out! Hap LeCrone

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QUIPS, CLIPS & COMMENTS

BY KAY MOSLEY

Remember to mark your calendar for the Cross Plains Garden Club annual Flower Show. The dates are May 5-6, with the show open for public viewing on Sunday, May 6, from 2 to 5 p.m.. This year's chairman is Barbara Powell, and the theme is "Spirit of Texas".

The show will be held at the Senior Citizens Center at 108 Main Street. Everyone who can please, come on out for the show. The rumor I heard was that this year's show promises to be doozy. You know what that mean, a really SUPER SHOW, and all those gloriously beautiful flower blooms and the arrangements that have been fashioned from them I can hardly wait!

The following piece I wrote one of those old gray, dreary, droopy, drippy, rainy and cloudy days of which we have seemed to have had quite a few these past months. I suppose I can get away with using that excuse or reason for my gloomy mood, that day.

"When One Day Just Seems Like Another"

Some days seem so flat,
makes you want to crush your hat,
and then stomp upon a gnat.
Some days just seem like that!

Now another day has come and gone,
Today's the day for fighting that fat,
so leave all that food alone.
Oh well, some days just go like that.

Today's my day for playing ball,
but someone's hidden my baseball bat.
Don't that just beat it all?
Some days are just like that!

One day just seems like another.
Yesterday I kicked the cat,
today I kicked my brother.
Just another day gone like that.

Just now I unplugged the phone,
and gave my dog a little pat.
He ran outside and buried his bone,
and here I sit, just like that!

You'd think with all this rain,
we'd all feel like a drownin' rat,
and arthritis set in with all that pain,
Well, some days do turn out like that!

Another day is going like that.
Today I slipped upon the mat,
and skinned the place where I sat.
Same old day, going like that!

Another day of looking back,
now it's time to end my spiel,
cause its time to watch the Wheel,
with Vanna White and Pat Sajak!

Too many days gone like that,
Now I'm hearing many a splat!
Even my wine tastes just like that,
as I'm drinking from a straw, and a great big VAT!

Too many days going like that,
Turn 'em around and jump in the vat,
Now my friend,
This poem comes to its end!

Apparently this is my opportunity
to reward that long
time swan song.....
"Life gets tedious don't it."
What a PHILOSOPHY!!!!

LIBRARY NEWS

April 23-27

Hi. Today I must be serious. I need to talk frankly with patrons about getting checked in on time, even those of you who don't mind paying fines.

The library limits the time in order to be fair to others who may need to have access to the book you have. Probably as important as that fact is, the fact that the books are much less likely to get lost if they are brought back on time.

If a patron needs the book longer and it is not reserved, he/she may check it out again. Moms and Dads, help the library's problem by talking with your children to be sure that they understand about "dates due" on the books they check out. Parents of older offspring might look for library books when they clean. Whatever you can

do to help the library get books returned will be appreciated and save a little spending money.

I like being here best when everyone is happy. Help!

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Memorials

Tim Dill for Raymond McCowen
Billie Loving for Raymond McCowen, Linda Henson and Geneva Sowell

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Sam and Eva Fleming for Linda Henson

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By Bob Pipes
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"Two brothers were convicted of stealing sheep and as punishment were branded on their foreheads with the letters "ST" for "Sheep Thief." One of the men was unable to bear the stigma and tried to hide in a foreign land. When asked about the letters on his forehead, he would lie as to what they stood for and the reason for them being there. The other brother, realizing he could not run away form the fact that he had stolen sheep, determined to live in such a way so as to win back the respect of his neighbors as well as himself. As the years passed, he built a new image and reputation of integrity. One day a stranger saw the letters on his forehead and asked a native what they stood for or signified.

"It happened a long time ago," said the villager, "and I've really forgotten the particulars -- but I believe the letters are an abbreviation for 'SAINT'."

Instead of trying to hide a sin or bad past, instead of trying to act like something we aren't -- in order to improve our image -- we'd be much better improving our actions so our natural and real image would be as God would have it. That second brother must have read what the apostle Paul wrote to the Christians at Ephesus: "Let him that stole, steal no more; but rather let him labor, working with his hands the thing that is good..." (Eph. 4:28).

The way to conquer one's bad image is not to put on but rather to change. Come learn with us the proper actions in order to be pleasing to God -- and have the respect of others. We care about you!

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Sunday Morning Worship...10:45a.m. Wed. Evening Bible Study...7:00p.m.
Friends & Neighbors Caring In Jesus

C.P. Roping Club Meet Monday to Elect Officers

The Cross Plains Roping Club will hold a meeting at the local arena on Monday, May 7, at 7 p.m.

The order of the meeting will be to elect new officers and schedule events

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Submitted by Frankie Hyles
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C.P. STUDENT REVIEW



GIRLS RELAY TEAM— Shena Thomas (from left), Meghan Lewis, Kim Mosier and Tessa Wyatt.



HYLES TWINS RUNNING AGAINST EACH OTHER IN 1600—Christin and Shana Hyles.

Lady Buffs Regional Track Results

By **COACH MIKE CAVENDER**

The team finished with 35 points and was 6th place overall.

Statistics are as follows:

- 3200 - Christin Hyles - 13:03.1 - 9th
- 400 Relay - Tessa Wyatt, Kim Mosier, Shena Thomas, Meghan, Candice Bailey - 51.94 - 3rd
- 100 Hurdles - Amanda Kitchens - 16.84 - 5th
- 800 Relay - Tessa Wyatt, Kim Mosier, Shena Thomas, Meghan Lewis, Candice Bailey - 1:50.45 - 3rd
- 300 Hurdles - Amanda Kitchens - 49.52 Prelim - Fell in Finals - 8th

- 1600 Run - Christin Hyles - 5:59.59 - 6th
- Shana Hyles - 6:05.31 - 8th
- 800 Run - Shana Hyles - 2:34.13 - 9th
- 1600 Relay - Tessa Wyatt, Angela Swift, Candice Bailey, Kim Mosier, Shena Thomas, Amanda Kitchens - 4:26.47 - 6th
- Shot Put - Amber Wilson - 33'4" - 8th
- Discus - Amber Wilson - 110'10" - 3rd
- 200 Dash - Meghan Lewis - Prelim Time 28.6 - 10th (illness).
- We had a great Regional Meet and

competed well in our events. The 400 and 800 Relays ran their fastest times of the year. Amber's discus throw was her best. Christin improved her best 2 mile time by 15 seconds.

We qualified for the finals in 10 of 11 events which is a huge accomplishment when you think about the fact that you are competing against 78 schools in Region II. Six of those 11 events we finished in the top 6 scoring points.

The kids had a tremendous track season with many memorable performances on the track and in the field events.

SCHOOL BOARD MEETING

A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Cross Plains I.S.D. will be held on Thursday, May 10, 2001, beginning at 7 p.m. in the High School Administrative Board Room.

The subjects to be discussed or considered or upon which any formal action may be taken are as follows:

1. Canvass School Board Election.
- This notice was posted in compliance with the Open Meetings Act on April 30, 2001 at 10 a.m. by Jackie Tension, Superintendent.

C.P.H.S. Boys Track Won Area Champs

The Cross Plains High School boys track team won the Area Championship in April at Winters. Qualifying for Regional were the first 4 places.

The results are as follows:

- Sprint Relay - 1st Place - Nicholas Dimitri, Chris Kitchens, Joseph

- Dillard, Jordan Duran
- Mile Relay - 2nd Place - Joseph Dillard, Chris Kitchens, Nicholas Dimitri, Brandon Mahler

- 300 Hurdles - 1st Place - Chris Kitchens

- Triple Jump - 1st Place - Chris Kitchens

- Pole Vault - 3rd Place - Brandon Mahler

- 800 Meter - 1st Place - Nicholas Dimitri

- High Jump - 2nd Place - Chris Kitchens

- 3200 Run - 5th Place Andy Bennett

- 1600 Run - Kyle Wilson

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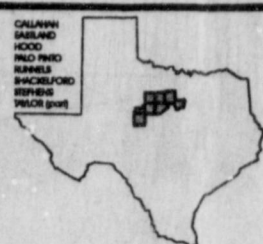
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Health care is an essential economic development tool. Without local health care, the ability to attract and keep businesses declines. Then, as the downward spiral continues, we lose our jobs, schools, banks, local merchants, and our way of life.

Over the past interim, we learned that over 600,000 Medicaid-eligible Texas children are not enrolled in this program. Recent surveys of Texas families indicate that one of the most daunting obstacles to Medicaid enrollment is the complicated, bureaucratic application process. Rather than enrolling their children in Medicaid, many parents choose to take their uninsured children to the emergency room of the local hospital for treatment. This method of health care is putting a serious strain on local taxpayers who are footing the bill with increased property and hospital district taxes.

The 77th Texas Legislature is calling for a simplification of the application process for children's Medicaid. Simplification is a victory for rural Texas because we can use additional federal funds to slow the cost-shift to our local taxpayers. Also, every \$1.00 spent on health care in a rural community generates an additional \$1.50 of economic activity in that community.

Simplification is only the first step in the crusade for rural health care, but it is an essential step. The time is right for your legislature to take action.

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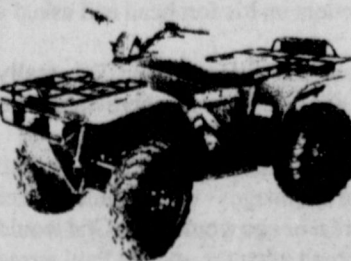
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Tri-county Wheat Tour set for May 4

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 led 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

AQHA Quarter Horse Event Set for May 26-27

ABILENE, TX - The BCQHA Mini Circuit will host an American Quarter Horse Association Approved Show on May 26 - 27 at the Taylor County Expo Horse Barn 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 Show, exhibitors and horses also can qualify for the AQHA or American Quarter Horse Youth Association World Championship 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 ever 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 BCQHA Mini Circuit, please contact Sharon Rice, 915-754-5681.

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

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everyday life as well as in the athletics, he explained. "I believe in the program because I've seen it work and that's why I've been so heavily involved."

Grady's award, the Lonestar Achievement Award for 2001, by the Texas Commission on Volunteers and Community Service represents the top honor in that category. Now in its 18th year, the Governor's Volunteer Awards seeks to acknowledge Texans whose community and service to others is exemplary. The program is in conjunction with the National Volunteer Week.

In a statement about Grady's dedicated service, the Program Brochure states, "Ramey rarely misses a competition. Over the years, he has postponed surgeries, rearranged work schedules and even asked family members to postpone wedding dates to keep his attendance record unblemished. Nearly every week he burns up the Texas Highways and amasses frequent flyer miles to prepare host sites for games and to support the athletes. He also secures

housing for the participants and recruits and trains volunteers for the competitions in locations across the state. His unwavering commitment and devotion to the athletes and to the mission of Special Olympics knows no bounds."

Grady Ramey lived in Cottonwood, Texas prior to WWII and returned home to marry Dorothy Thompson when that conflict was over. He returned to the military service and retired from the U.S. Air Force after 31 years service and went to work for the Abilene State School, where he became involved with Special Olympics the year it began.

The couple live in San Antonio and have three children, eight grandchildren and three great-grandchildren with two others on the way.

Grady is quick to give half the credit for the award to Dorothy. "She is just as busy with the Special Olympics as I am. I may be on the road a lot, but she is always arranging, coordinating and keeping everything straight," he said.

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as Mother's Day, Graduation, Father's Day etc. Free gift wrapping with your purchase is yet another plus. She is open for product suggestions.

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Commissioners Order Redrawing of Precinct Voting Boundaries

Callahan County Commissioners order the four County Commissioner Precinct lines to be redrawn after hearing an initial assessment regarding the need to redistrict in Callahan County based upon the newly released 2000 Census figures.

Commissioners voted to perform the action during a special called meeting of the Commissioners' Court held Friday morning, April 27 at the District Courtroom at the County Courthouse in Baird.

Two representatives of the Austin law firm of Bickerstaff, Heath, Smiley, Pollan, Keever & McDaniel, LLP are representing Callahan County Commissioners as legal counsel to discuss the need to redistrict the four boundary lines used to elect the four County Commissioners in Callahan County.

Although the new Commissioner precinct boundary lines have not yet been drawn, it appears the Clyde community will again be whittled apart by the Austin's law firm's recommendation and the County Commissioners approval.

Based upon the Austin law firm's recommendation after the 1990 Census, County Commissioners in 1991 voted to redraw the Commissioner precinct lines to where all four Commissioner precincts went into the Clyde city limit boundaries.

Currently, Clyde's Commissioner precinct boundary includes the northern portion of Clyde from the railroad tracks north. Baird's Commissioner Precinct boundary line now runs through the eastern portion of Clyde, while the Cross Plains Commissioner precinct lines take in the southern portion of Clyde and Eula's Commissioner precinct lines go into the southeastern portion of the Clyde city limits. Clyde's voting population has been so fragmented by the boundary line redrawing that only Commissioner Precinct #1 voters in Clyde have a voting majority over the other three County communities.

According to the Census totals, the Clyde and Eula Commissioner voting precincts increased in population during the 1990's, while the Commissioner precincts in Baird and Cross Plains did not keep up with the population growth. The Austin legal counsel said a County should redraw their voting precinct lines if the precinct deviates by over 10 percent.

The legal counsel reported based upon the 12,905 Census in Callahan County, the ideal Commissioner precinct size should have 3,226 residents. According to the law firm, Clyde's Commissioner Precinct #1 reported a 2000 Census population of 3,472, while Eula's Commissioner Precinct #2 reported a population of 3,358.

The Census figures said Baird's Commissioner Precinct #3 population stood at 3,040, while the Cross Plains Commissioner Precinct #4 population is estimated at 3,035. According to the law firm, the total maximum deviation was 13.55 percent (Clyde 7.63 percent over the ideal size and Cross Plains 5.92 percent under the ideal size of 3,226).

The Austin law firm presented some legal findings resulting from a 1990 redrawing in North Carolina which resulted in a minority district with no clear boundary lines. The law firm representatives reported some guidelines used in adopting the redistricting criteria and among those were to maintain communities of interest and neighborhoods and adopt precincts of relative equal population size. Minority communities should also not be fragmented.

Although Callahan County has a low minority population, the community of Baird does have a 9.41 percent Hispanic population in which the Austin lawyers said should not be fragmented.

The Austin law firm representatives will now develop a first draft plan of the four new Commissioner precinct boundaries and report back to the Commissioners' Court. Another public meeting to present the first draft plan is to be conducted sometime in June and adoption of the final draft plan is expected to be made in late August.

Callahan County's redistricting plan will be submitted to the Department of Justice of its approval sometime in August and the final election precinct boundaries for the County will be adopted in September. Implementation of the new voting precinct boundaries lines will be made in November 2001.

On a motion by Commissioner Tommy Holland and second by Harold Hicks, County Commissioners voted unanimously to adopt a resolution or order to redistrict Callahan County's four Commissioner precinct boundaries.

On a motion by Bryan Farmer and second by Charlie Grider, Commissioners voted unanimously to adopt the rules and criteria to govern development of the redistricting plans.

On a motion by Commissioner Grider and second by Commissioner Holland, Commissioners voted 5-0 to adopt the redistricting process and timeline schedule presented by the Austin law firm.

County Commissioners adjourned the Commissioners' Court meeting at 11:49 a.m. on a motion by Commissioner Hicks and second by Commissioner Farmer by a unanimous vote.

Taylor Electric Held Annual Member Meeting

Taylor Electric held its 62nd annual member's meeting on April 19, 2001 at the Taylor County Expo Center. Approximately 1,050 people attended and enjoyed a morning of entertainment, booths in the health fair where they could have their cholesterol checked, blood pressure checked as well as visit with several vendors about health care products.

Door prizes donated by several suppliers and Taylor Electric were given away throughout the morning. Mike Williams, CEO of Texas Electric Cooperatives in Austin spoke on the changing electric industry and how deregulation will affect consumers. The business meeting got under way and three board of directors were elected to serve, they were incumbents Phyllis Farmer, R.C. (Sonny) Watts, Jr. and Sybil Norris.

Taylor Electric was awarded a safety accreditation award from Texas Electric Cooperatives Safety & Loss Control Program. Also receiving individual safety awards for no lost time accidents were Tommie Cutler, 45 years; Wayne Adcock, 40 years; David Scott, 35 years; Ronny Doan, 30 years. Several Taylor Electric employees and directors were recognized with service awards. They included Wayne Adcock, 40 years; Clovis McElmurray and

David Scott, 35 years; Craig Hutchings, 20 years; Linda Jones and Spencer Scott, 15 years; and Todd Yaddow, David Thomas, Lisa Harris, Steven Ross, Pete Rutledge and Parks Thomas, 5 years.

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TERRY NIXON For Board of Trustees

My name is Terry Nixon, and I would like to ask for your vote in support of my bid for re-election to the Board of Trustees of the Cross Plains Independent School District. I have had the opportunity to serve as a CPISD board member for over a year.

I believe in and appreciate the school system as well as the community that we have here in Cross Plains. My intent, if re-elected, is to ask God for the guidance and ability to help make the decisions that are best for all concerned.

Please vote on May 5, and then prayerfully support those who are elected.
Thank you. Terry Nixon

Pol. Ad Pd. By Terry Nixon, P.O. Box 206, Cross Plains, Texas 76443

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Cross Plains Native, William Buel Irvin, Named to HSU Hall of Leadership Recently

By CHARLES RICHARDSON

ABILENE— The late Dr. William Buel Irvin, a native of Cross Plains, was one of 12 distinguished graduates or former students to be honored posthumously by being included in Hardin-Simmons University's Hall of Leaders.

The list of honorees was made public by HSU President, Dr. Lanny Hall, at an April 6 luncheon on the HSU campus.

Special recognition was paid to the first inductees at the luncheon attended by several members of the families, members of the Board of Development and their spouses and administration, faculty and staff members.

The Hall of Leaders "recognizes graduates and former students of the institution who have distinguished records of achievement in their lives."

Recognition plaques will be temporarily displayed in Sandefer Memorial Bldg. When the new Elwin L. Skiles Building is constructed, the plaques will be no permanent display there.

The new facility will include a first-floor circular corridor which will become the permanent home for the Hall of Leaders.

The area of the Skiles Building is being made possible by a gift from Doyle and Inez Kelley of Houston.

William Buel Irvin was born October 11, 1899. He received two degrees from Simmons College (now HSU) before completing his Doctorate in Education at the University of Texas in Austin in 1939.

He served as principal at Pampa High School and later as superintendent in Pampa, Perryton, Lubbock and Highland Park (Dallas) independent school districts. During World I and II he served in the U.S. Army.

Dr. Irvin was elected president of the Texas State Teachers Association, the

West Texas Teachers Association, the Northwest Conference for Education and the Texas Association of School Administrators.

He helped to organize the Teacher Retirement System of Texas and the National Educators Life Insurance Company. He co-authored two books *Amigos Panamericanos* and *The Unit Method of Learning and Teaching*.

In 1981, Dr. Irvin and his wife, Jimmie, gave a generous donation to the Hardin-Simmons University School of Education resulting in the naming of the Irvin School of Education.

Additionally, Dr. and Mrs. Irvin, who was also a 1921 Simmons graduate, endowed the Irvin Chair of Education.

Dr. Irvin served on the HSU Board of Trustees from 1959 to 1969 and from 1971 to 1980. For seven years he selflessly gave of his time to serve as Chairman of the Board of Trustees.

In 1960, he was awarded the John J. Keeler Alumni Award and in 1969 received an honorary Doctor of Laws degree from Hardin-Simmons University.

The Irvins were longtime members of the First Baptist Church, Dallas, where he served as a deacon and Sunday school teacher.

Dr. Irvin died on July 8, 1985, at the age of 85.

Others included in the Hall of Leaders included: F. Earl Ingerson, educator; Rupert H. Johnson, banker; Ruth Legett Jones, community leader philanthropist; George Herman Mason, U.S. Congressman; Charlie P. McLaughlin, Baptist leader; Mildred Paxton Moody, First Lady of Texas; William Thomas Reid, educator; Rupert Norval Richardson, historian, HSU president; Carl Coke Rister, educator, historian; A.B. "Stormy" Shelton, newspaper executive, and Walter Hines Sims, church music leader.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Dear Editor:

Back in November of 2000, we were shopping for a new freezer. After looking at some larger merchants in Abilene, we decided to look right here in Cross Plains at Higginbothams. The manager, Vernon Smith, assured us they would either meet or beat any deal we could get in Abilene. With that assurance, we settled on a Whirlpool brand from Higginbotham.

At approximately 7:30 p.m. on April 22, we discovered the freezer had malfunctioned, was not running and our food items were thawed or in the process of thawing. My wife was very upset with the thoughts of losing the food in the freezer, as was I.

A research of the calendar will disclose April 22, was a Sunday, too! After finding Vernon Smith's home

phone in our local directory, a frantic call for help was made to him. When he heard our plight, he went to his store, opened up and loaded another new Whirlpool freezer onto his truck and delivered it to us.

Whirlpool has graciously honored their warranty on the freezer. Most manufacturers will provide a reasonable warranty for their freezers, and we all know any brand is subject to malfunction.

The real point is the excellent care and service our hometown merchant provided us in a time of some degree of crisis. No merchant from Abilene, or anywhere else, would think they might be expected to take such drastic steps late on a Sunday night.

We want to take this opportunity to thank Whirlpool, to thank Higginbotham's, and most definitely, to thank Mr. Vernon Smith!

Yours truly,
Dana and Flo McRade

What is Project Graduation? Help from Individuals Needed

By CONNIE KIRKHAM

Project Graduation is an event birthed in Texas in the 80's. The Department of Public Safety searched for ways to keep senior high school students off the roads, etc. on graduation night.

Many seniors are hurt or killed on graduation night because of alcohol/drugs while intoxicated.

The Project Graduation is an all night party for seniors and a guest of their choice. The party is drug and alcohol free. A senior can come anytime they desire, but once they leave, they cannot return. There are lots of games, food and prizes highlight the night.

We started Project Graduation in Cross Plains in 1989. We have had tremendous results. Most of these years we have had perfect attendance of all seniors. This event is totally sponsored by local donations. Gifts are accumulated and numbered, as seniors come into the party their name is placed in a basket. Names are drawn about every 15 minutes all night. As a name is drawn, it is removed from the basket until ALL

senior's name have been drawn. The ALL the names are placed back in. This assures each senior winning about the same amount of prizes.

If the senior chooses to leave the party, he/she can have the prizes they have won, but their name will be removed from the drawing. Senior students are the only ones eligible for the prizes. Their guests may enjoy all the other activities of the night.

The seniors and guests get to enjoy movies, ping pong, basketball, music, etc.

A full variety of food items are served all night. A highlight is made to order sundaes at about 2 a.m.

Breakfast burritos are served before the drawing of the last and biggest prize about 6:30 to 7:00 a.m.

The First United Methodist Church have allowed us to use their facility cost free. Businesses have been the main source of prizes, but this year are really asking individuals to try to donate cash or prizes. There are 43 seniors and this will minimize the amount of gifts each receives. Even \$1 to \$5 is a great gift. If you would like to help or donate, please contact Connie Kirkham at 725-6500 home or 725-6318 Wednesday through Friday at her shop; Jean McWilliams or Lurene McNutt 725-6121.

Class of 1946 Met Locally

On Saturday, April 28, the Class of '46 met at the home of Dan and Bobbie Johnston for a pot luck supper. We had lots of delicious food. There are some really good cooks in this class.

After the meal we had time to reminisce. We have to tell the same old stories, but we never get tired of telling them. It is always lots of fun to visit with this group.

Those present were: Wanda and Arthur Boyle, Robert and Charlene Grider, Edgar and Virginia Session, Dick and Joan Vestal, Jack Lacy, Donald White, Harold Garrett, Billie Jean Guilbeau, Imogene Haun, Dorothy Petty, Bobbie Hinkle and the host and hostess, Dan and Bobbie Johnston.

Scranton Musical This Saturday

The monthly musical will be held at the Scranton Community Center Saturday, May 5. The kitchen will serve from 5:30 to 9:00 p.m. Annetta Dunning and L.D. Baird will be in charge of the kitchen. The music begins at 6:30 p.m. Mark Ray is emcee. All musicians are invited to play and may call (915) 692-2057 to reserve a time to perform.

Submitted by: Joan Shrader

TDH Helping People Find the Trail to Physical Fitness

Within the 267,277 square miles of Texas are: 122 state recreation parks with more than 1,000 miles on trails; two national parks; five state forests; four national forests; a national seashore; a biological preserve; and uncounted pathways in cities and rural areas.

So why, then, are not more people out walking, biking, jogging, hiking or just strolling?

Perhaps, says Jennifer Smith, director of the Community and Worksite Wellness Program at the Texas Department of Health (TDH), people may not know where these trails are.

With that thought in mind, two years ago TDH began building a database of trails. From the initial 150 entries, TDH now lists more than 450 trails in 89 counties.

"We want people to be aware of what's available, places that they can be out enjoying nature and getting some physical activity, either free or at a low cost," said Mary Guzman, who oversees the TDH registry.

The Texas Trail Registry, available on-line at www.tdh.state.tx.us/trails/, offers information on public trails by county, from the 25-mile Kiwanis Park Trail in Angelina County to Yoakum County's 1.25-mile Denver

City Recreational Trail. Details in the listing include trail name and location, manager, approved activities, estimated difficulty and length, hours, cost, facilities, wheelchair accessibility and scenery.

"We provide exposure to trails already built so they can be used more," Guzman said. "In addition, people may pick up ideas about what kinds of trails they can have in their communities. We have resources to help groups who are considering constructing trails."

The registry gives people a chance to find out about trails in their area or in places they may be visiting. "We want people to commit to physical activity and to have healthier lifestyles to prevent chronic disease," Guzman said. "And we certainly want to make it as easy as possible for them to get started and to keep going."

Visiting San Antonio? The Emilie and Albert Friedrich Wilderness Park Trail offers 4.5 miles for walking, jogging, hiking and nature study in a nature preserve with Hill Country scenery, windmill and hilltop views at a moderate level of difficulty. On South Padre Island, look up the Isla Blanca Park Trail, an easy two miles with historic statue and markers, wetlands, ships and dolphins.

In Lubbock, look for the Lubbock Lake Landmark Nature Trails for walking, hiking, nature study and wildflowers of the Llano Estacado. Or in North Texas is the eight-mile Denton Branch Rail Trail along an old MKT railroad for walking, jogging, hiking, road and mountain bicycling, nature study or equestrian activities.

Helping communities develop programs and facilities that support and promote a physically active lifestyle is a basic component of the Community and Worksite Wellness Program. Smith points to the need in Texas to get people up, out and moving.

A 1998 physical activity survey by TDH shows that more than two-thirds of adult Texans are not getting a least 20 minutes of moderate to vigorous activity three times a week -- the amount of physical activity recommended for greater health benefits. And 32 percent of adult Texans reported a leading reason for not being more physically active is the lack of enough fitness facilities, sidewalks and bicycle lanes.

The Texas Trail Registry is a great place to get started, Guzman said. But the list is by not means complete. Planners, managers or those who use Texas trails may submit trail information to the registry on-line. People also may add information about trails that are currently listed.

All information is confirmed before being put on the site. The only exclusion is a trail that is for motorized vehicles.

"We are going for physical activity," Guzman said.

For more information, contact Mary Guzman, TDH Community and Worksite Wellness Program, at (512) 458-7670; or Emily Palmer, TDH Assistant Public Information Officer at (512) 458-7400.

PET TALK

If your dog Blue has the blues, he may not be alone.

More and more dog owners are inquiring about new drugs available to treat their pets that suffer from behavior problems. Dogs, it seems, get depressed just like people.

Two new drugs on the market -- only recently approved by the Food and Drug Administration -- include Anipryl and Clomicalm. Studies have shown both to be effective in treating certain pet behavior disorders, according to Bonnie Beaver, a veterinary professor and animal behavior expert at Texas A&M University's College of Veterinary Medicine.

"One of the biggest problems pets face, especially dogs, is separation anxiety, meaning the owner is away from the dog for a period of time and the animal becomes very distressed," Beaver explains.

"It tends to happen a lot more than we had thought. The signs may not be apparent at first, but after other things have been ruled out, separation anxiety is often the underlying problem."

Veterinarians have begun treating the condition with prescribed pills, just as in humans. One form of the new drugs has been used to treat Parkinson's disease in humans.

So what are the signs that Spot is stressed?

"One is destruction, when a pet tears up things it normally doesn't harm. Another is frequent house soiling, and others could be excessive vocalization, such as loud barking, so loud that the neighbors complain. Or excessive drooling or licking or even pacing back and forth."

"Often," she adds, "these are problems that can mean something else, not separation anxiety. So it can be difficult at times to diagnose."

Pet talk is a service of Texas A&M University and its College of Veterinary Medicine. Email suggestions for future topics may be directed to kr@univrel.tamu.edu

Facts on Fighting Osteoporosis and Promoting Bone Health Today

Osteoporosis is a disease that gradually weakens bones and often leads to painful and debilitating fractures, most commonly of the hip, spine and wrist. Bone loss is progressive and by the time fractures occur, the disease is advanced and the likelihood of further hip, spine or other fractures is great.

One in two women and one in eight men over age 50 will have an osteoporosis-related fracture in their lifetime.

A woman's risk of hip fracture is equal to her combined risk of breast, uterine and ovarian cancer.

Osteoporosis is responsible for more than 1.5 million fractures annually, including: 300,000 hip fractures, 700,000 vertebral fractures, 250,000 wrist fractures and 300,000 fractures at other sites.

Hip Fracture is the most serious consequence of osteoporosis, because:

*300,000 Americans age 45 and over are admitted to hospitals with hip fractures each year. Osteoporosis was the underlying cause of most of these hip fractures.

*Only one-third fully regain their pre-fracture level of independence.

*Even after one year, more than 40 percent of patients still cannot walk unaided.

*24 percent of hip fracture patients age 50 and over die in the year following their fracture.

*An average of 41 percent of hip fracture patients 50 and over enter a nursing home when they leave the hospital.

Vertebral Fracture
*Nearly 20 percent of women who experience vertebral fracture will have another vertebral fracture within a year.

*Vertebral fractures can result in collapsed vertebrae, stooped posture, loss of height, chronic pain and disability, loss of independence and can cause compression of the lungs and stomach.

Wrist Fracture
*Wrist fractures can make performing basic tasks of daily living such as dressing oneself and preparing meals a hardship.

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no charge for this service.

John's regular job is as Chief Deputy for the Callahan County Sheriff's Department. He has attended classes for, and is now a certified inspector. As an inspector, he will assist senior citizens in locating hazards in their home, such as fire. He will inspect and report to the citizen if there is a hazard or if the home is safe. If he reports a hazard, then you will be aware and can have the hazard removed or repaired.

John visited with the folks at the Cross Plains Senior Citizens Center and talked with them concerning the inspection program. He's available for other groups, also. John will be inspecting homes in Eula, Baird and Clyde to make sure they are safe.

The Neighborhood Watch welcomes John. If you would like him to inspect your home, call (915) 529-3737 or the Sheriff's Department (915) 854-1444, or leave a message.

Submitted by Kay Mosley
Secretary/Treasurer
Callahan County TRIAD/S.A.L.T.
Advisory Council



COUNTY ROADS by Ginny Greene

Raggedy's heart...

"But she wrote all over it!" I complained to my Mother. This was a time when my Mother lived nearby, and my firstborn Puddin' was a little girl with toys all over her bedroom floor.

Mom put down a handful of toys and looked at the scribbles across the doll's cloth torso. She patted her adorable first grandchild on the head and handed me the doll. "You shouldn't be so rough on her, she just loves her dolly."

I grumbled something about if she loved it she wouldn't write all over it.

Raggedy Ann was Puddin's new doll. She was awfully pretty with her red braids, an eyelet apron over her gingham frock, and wide-striped knee socks. She fit into a hug real well, and smiled at my little girl with her red embroidery lips.

In my head was a picture of a 50 year old Raggedy, a well-cared-for Raggedy, being handed down to a grandchild at some future date I couldn't even comprehend at the time. But this Raggedy was already ruined; an inky mess scrawled across her chest. The picture in my head ripped from top to bottom.

When Mom left for home and Puddin' was down for her nap, I sat down with a cup of coffee. Raggedy Ann looked up at me from the floor. I didn't know very much about Raggedy Ann dolls; just that I had always wanted one, and she seemed the perfect choice for Puddin's birthday gift.

Picking her up by a leg, I plopped her on my lap. Then I cradled her in my arms. It seemed sad that she was destined to be just another toy, enjoyed for a time, and finally

tossed away, tattered. I traced her smile, rubbed her black button eyes, smoothed her White apron. I lifted her dress to examine the damage once more.

It was a real mess, beyond fixing. Words popped out of the scribbles. A dark blue ink message was printed across her middle in pre-school lettering. It spelled out, "I love you, too."

Then I saw the red heart painted on the left side of the cloth. Inside it were three easy-reader words, also in red. In the ageless Raggedy tradition, the message spoke. "I love you."

Puddin' is grown now, and her own children are way past pre-school. Some lessons in life stick with you a long time, and I learned a real good Mommy lesson that one day so long ago.

Last week, I got a package from my sister. Among other treasures for the kids was an old Raggedy Ann doll. She, too, had suffered early damage. Stuffing leaked from a torn hand. Her arms were blotched with red dots. My sister explained this doll grew up in a bad neighborhood. All the marks were the wounds and scars of a rough childhood.

This doll, too, outgrew someone's early life, but lived to stretch her non-verbal message across the years.

I gave the doll to Puddin', with the hope that some other child, however old, might be holding Puddin's very raggedy Raggedy Ann doll this very same day. I wanted to believe she would be in the hands of someone who would cherish her and tell the doll, "I love you, too," even if it messed her all up.

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SPECIAL KIWANIS GUEST SPEAKER — Elwin H. Enzor, Jr., associated with Healing Hands International of Abilene, presented a very informative program to the Kiwanis Club Tuesday. Healing Hands collects used medical equipment for foreign countries. They also collect many other items. You are always welcome to meet with the Kiwanis each Tuesday at Jean's Feed Barn at noon.

Sales & use tax totals for third quarter of 2000

The state sales and use tax analysis for Callahan County has been reported for the third quarter of 2000 by State Comptroller Carole Keeton Rylander's office on Monday, April 30.

Rylander reported gross sales, for all industries in Callahan County, for the third quarter of 2000 at \$14,505,671 which was 1.7 percent higher than the gross sales of \$14,257,645 reported during the third quarter of 1999. Gross sales are the total amount of all sales, leases and rentals of tangible personal property and all labor and service charges made during the reporting period.

Use tax purchases for the third quarter of 2000 for all industries in Callahan County amounted to \$102,320. Use tax purchases are the cost of all taxable items removed from inventory for personal or business use and all purchases on which no Texas sales tax was paid or use tax accrued.

The amount subject to state sales and use tax in the third quarter of 2000 in Callahan County was

\$5,794,171. The amount subject to state sales and use tax is calculated by taking taxable sales and adding use tax purchases.

The number of business locations in Callahan County, with a sales and use tax permit which filed a return, was 259. There were 275 permits issued during the same quarter the previous year.

The gross sales for the retail trade division in Callahan County for the third quarter of 2000 was \$8,905,199 which is 0.4 percent higher than the 1999 third quarter gross sales of \$8,867,506.

The use tax purchases for the retail trade division in Callahan County for the third quarter of 2000 was \$6,644.

The amount subject to state sales and use tax for the third quarter of 2000 was \$4,168,092 for the retail trade division in Callahan County.

The number of reporting outlets in the retail trade division in Callahan County totalled 140 for the third quarter of 2000. There were 148 reporting outlets during the same quarter in 1999.

Scranton Annual Cemetery Meeting Thursday, May 3rd

The Scranton Annual Cemetery meeting will begin at 7:00 p.m., Thursday, May 3 at the community center. The quarterly community association meeting will be held immediately following the cemetery meeting. This is an important meeting to plan the food

and workers for the annual fundraiser dinner at the homecoming musical to be held Saturday, June 2. This is a big project that many people are needed to help. Please attend to lend your support and help.

Submitted by: Joan Shreder

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Tiffany McKenzie
Gary Kelly
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Nancy (Lark'n) Gill
Eddie Duncan

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Margaret Price
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Billy Joe Covington
Opal Gray
Mrs. Bill (Sarah) Thomas
Fredrick Canales

CJC Awards Ceremony Honors Area Students

Cisco Junior College conducted its Thirty-Third Annual Awards Ceremony on Monday, April 23. Each spring semester CJC recognizes and honors those members of the student body who have proven themselves to be outstanding students and persons. Students were recognized in several categories which included scholastic and extra curricula achievement.

Cross Plains Students - Dusty Anderson - Homecoming Queen, Who's Who Among Students in American Junior Colleges, Dean's List; Robert Hartman - President's List; Dena Purvis - President's List,

Outstanding Student in Cosmetology; Roy Sliger - Dean's List, Who's Who Among Students in American Junior Colleges; Tina Wyatt - Who's Who Among Students in American Junior Colleges.

Clyde Students - Michael Clark - President's List; Phillip Hermes - Who's Who Among Students in American Junior Colleges; Ramon Diaz - Dean's List; Kortni Flatt - President's List; David Shockey - President's List; Jennifer Tesillo - President's List; Angela Walsh - Dean's List; and Heidi Wilson - Dean's List.

Grand Ole Oplin Announce May Schedule

The Grand Ole Oplin is proud to announce the upcoming schedule for the month of May. Starting off the month on May 4 will be Muddy Creek playing all of our favorite tunes. On May 11, we will all enjoy Roland Smith and the Roadrunners and on May 18, Ray Pack and L.C. Agnew will entertain everyone. We will end the month on May 25 with Muddy Creek playing all your favorites.

The Oplin Community wishes to thank everyone who came out, showed their support, and helped us to be able to purchase new air conditioners at our fundraiser held on April 14. We hope to have them purchased and installed in the very

near future. Thank you, thank you, thank you! Hopefully we will all stay a little cooler as we dance the night away.

The Oplin Community Center is located at F.M. 604 and F.M. 2926 in Oplin. Our dances are held each Friday night and admission is still only \$3.00 per person. Everyone is invited to bring snacks and finger foods to be enjoyed by all during the band break. The bands begin at 7:30 p.m. and end at 10:30 p.m. Alcoholic beverages and smoking are not allowed.

So gather the family, put on your dancing shoes and come out for an evening of good friends, good music, and a real good time.

Submitted by Pam Runfield

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