

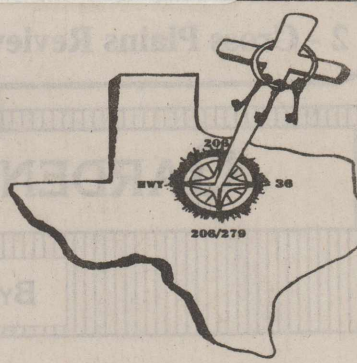


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## DOWN HOME

### EDITOR'S NOTE:

I wasn't inspired to write anything Monday morning and I told Amber I don't think God is speaking to me anymore. She remarked, "Maybe you are just not listening."

With that in mind, I started looking through my files, and thanks to my anonymous donor of information, I found the answer I needed, and hopefully it will help you, too.  
**Vanda Anderson**

### "The Brick"

A young and successful executive was traveling down a neighborhood street, going a bit too fast in his new Jaguar. He was watching for kids darting out from between parked cars and slowed down when he thought he saw something.

As his car passed, no children appeared. Instead, a brick smashed into the Jag's side door!

He slammed on the brakes and backed the Jag back to the spot where the brick had been thrown. The angry driver then jumped out of the car, grabbed the nearest kid and pushed him up against a parked car shouting, "What was that all about and who are you? Just what are you doing? That's a new car and that brick you threw is going to cost a lot of money. Why did you do it?"

The young boy was apologetic. "Please, mister...please, I'm sorry but I didn't know what else to do," he pleaded. "I threw the brick because no one else would stop..."

With tears dripping down his face and off his chin, the youth pointed to a spot just around a parked car. "It's my brother," he said. "He rolled off the curb and fell out of his wheelchair and I can't lift him up."

Now sobbing, the boy asked the stunned executive, "Would you please help me get him back into his wheelchair? He's hurt and he's too heavy for me."

Moved beyond words, the driver tried to swallow the rapidly swelling lump in his throat. He hurriedly lifted the handicapped boy back into the wheelchair, then took out a linen handkerchief and dabbed at the fresh scrapes and cuts. A quick look told him everything was going to be okay.

"Thank you and may God bless you," the grateful child told the stranger.

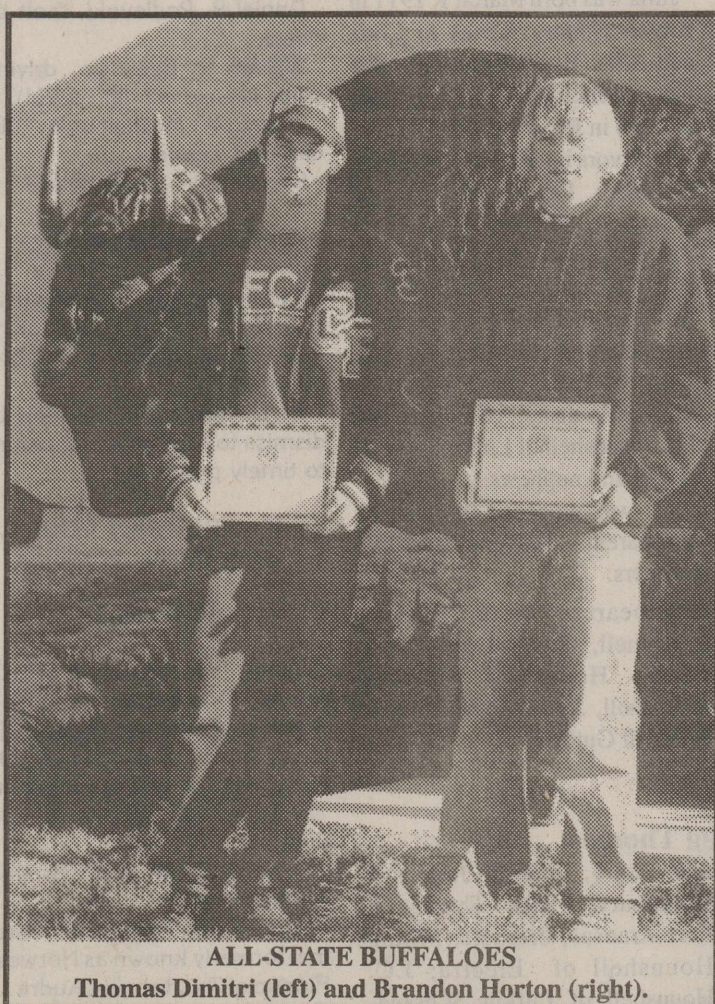
Too shook up for words, the man simply watched the boy push his wheelchair-bound brother down the sidewalk toward their home.

It was a long, slow walk back to the Jaguar. The damage was very noticeable, but the driver never bothered to repair the dented side door. He kept the dent there to remind him of this message:

**"Don't go through life so fast that someone has to throw a brick at you to get your attention!"**

God whispers in our souls and speaks to our hearts. Sometimes when we don't have time to listen, He has to throw a brick at us. It's our choice to listen or not.

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ALL-STATE BUFFALOES  
Thomas Dimitri (left) and Brandon Horton (right).

## Two Buffaloes Make Academic All-State

Brandon Horton and Thomas Dimitri made the 2004-2005 All-State Academic Football Team.

Brandon was selected on the first team. He is carrying a 3.85 GPA. Brandon played running back on offense and strong safety

on defense.

Thomas was selected on the second team. He is carrying a 3.72 GPA. Thomas played fullback on offense and defensive back on defense.

Congratulations to these young men.

## Former Presbyterian Pastor Featured in Book Available at the C.P. Public Library

A book by Sara Collins Emerick entitled **FROM BROTHER COLLINS** is currently available at the Cross Plains Public Library. The book contains sermons and sermon notes from the last ten years of Rev. S.P. Collins' ministry, 1940-1950. The incidence of World War II during that period adds to the content a historical element.

Brother Collins, honor graduate of Lane Theological Seminary, Cincinnati, Ohio, preached in Cross Plains for 27 years, moving to Abilene in August, 1942, where he preached at Merkel and Baird until called full time to the Presbyterian Church in Baird, where he served until his death in January, 1950.

During his long pastorate in Cross Plains, Brother Collins built the new church, one block off Main Street in 1926. He collaborated with Mrs. Collins and Miss Elizabeth Kelley in starting the first public library in Cross Plains, building the book and magazine shelves himself. The library was in the northwest corner Sunday School room in the Presbyterian Church. In another Sunday School room, Mr. Collins kept canned goods and second hand clothing for the needy, and he served as Chairman of the local Red Cross for many years. He built a hospital on

South Main Street. He was mayor of Cross Plains for a number of years and put in the municipally owned utilities.

These civic responsibilities were in addition to his Sunday and midweek preaching, a ministry at Sabanno and other surrounding towns, along with holding revival meetings, visiting the sick, burying the dead, performing wedding ceremonies, and preaching commencement sermons.

Mr. Collins took very seriously his job as shepherd of his flock. During the Great Depression, he delivered (on a trailer he made on an old Ford chassis) the produce from his garden, orchard, and berry patch to his parishioners and anyone in need. He lost the 37 acre tract where he planted an orchard and gardens annually because he was unable to make the payments.

The book is 703 pages, and the foreword explains that these sermons were never written for publication but to help him organize his thoughts and to promote him as he preached. Their format makes these sermons ideal for daily devotional readings.

*Ezekiel 33:33 And when this cometh to pass (lo, it will come,) then shall they know that a prophet hath been among them.*

**JV & Varsity (Boys & Girls) Play Albany Here Starting @ 4PM**

## Cross Plains Barbarian Festival Committee to meet Jan. 27th

The Cross Plains Barbarian Festival Committee will meet on Thursday, January 27th at 6:30 p.m. at the Dairy Queen. Come at 6:00 p.m. for food and fellowship.

The 2005 Festival will be Saturday, June 11, 2005. Our goal is to promote Cross Plains. With the proceeds from the Festival we award a scholarship to a C.P.H.S. graduating senior. The 2005 scholarship will be in memory of Terry Jane Wyatt.

Each year we try to make the Festival bigger and better so that we can attract more visitors to our community. There is a place for you if you are interested in volunteering.

For more information please contact Susan McNeel 254-725-6498 or Cindy Payne at 254-725-6692.

## Pee Wee Basketball Registration Meeting at School Gym

Pee Wee Basketball Registration will be held Wednesday, January 19, from 5:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. at the Cross Plains High School Gym foyer.

Grades 3rd-6th are eligible for this program that prepares athletes for junior high and high school basketball.

Registration forms will be passed out at school on Monday, January 17th. Please bring them and your registration fees.

## Cross Plains Roping Club Elects New Officers

The Cross Plains Roping Club elected officers on Monday night.

New members are as read:  
**President:** Rod Middleton  
**Vice-President:** Len Smith  
**Treasurer:** John Eppard  
**Secretary:** Tani Pointer  
**P.R.:** Brenda Smith  
Membership rules will be

## Callahan County Jr. Livestock Show this Weekend Jan. 20-22

The Annual Callahan County Jr. Livestock Show will be held Thursday, January 20th - Saturday, January 22nd. Starting time will be Thursday, January 20, at 5:30 p.m., at The County Show Barn in Cross Plains, with the judging of the rabbits and poultry.

Frankie Hyles, President of the Callahan County Jr. Livestock Association, said that entries are expected to number about 450 this year from the various FFA Chapters and 4-H Clubs in the County.

Other officers of the association are Steven Mitchell as Vice President, Johnny Adkins as Treasurer and Karen Johnston as Secretary.

**Superintendents for this year's show are:**

Beef Cattle—Eddie Riley and Johnny Lee  
Market & Breeding Swine—Jackie Tennison  
Poultry & Rabbits—Doug Johnston and Larry McIntire  
Sheep & Goats—Steven Mitchell, Lesa Harris and Angela Tibbetts

Judging of the rabbits and poultry will begin at 5:30 p.m. on Thursday, January 20th with Scott Anderson of Brownwood Extension office doing the judging. All participants must be checked in by 5:00 p.m., on the 20th.

Judging will begin at 8:00 a.m. on Friday, January 21st, with the Breeding Swine Show followed by the Market Barrow Show. Don Edgar, AST from Early, will be judging the Swine Show.

At 1:30 p.m. on Friday, January 21st, Kyle Eckert, Extension Sheep & Goat Assistant from San Angela will start judging the Market Lambs followed by the Meat Goats and Boer Goat Show.

On the Afternoon of the 21st from 3:00 to 6:00 p.m., all steers and heifers will be classified and weighed. John Senter, Martin County CEA, will get judging of the Beef Cattle underway at 8:30 a.m. on Saturday morning, January 22nd with the heifer show. Mr. Senter will also judge the steer show starting at 9:00 a.m.

The Premium Sale will begin at 1:00 p.m. The Awards Presentation of all the trophies for the champion animals will be held prior to the premium sale auction.

Announcers for the three day show will be Dick Vestal, Greg Gerngrong, John Belcher and Doug Johnston.

Officials of the Show would like to invite everyone out for all or part of the show and support the young folks of Callahan County.

## Local Library Writing Contest Welcomes Home-School Students

For the sixth consecutive year, the Cross Plains Public Library is sponsoring a writing contest for all students in Grades Pre-K through 12 in the Cross Plains I.S.D. Any home-schooled students who are eligible to attend the Cross Plains schools are encouraged to enter, also. Students may enter any one of the three categories: poetry, essay, or short story. Poems may be of any kind: blank verse, haiku, etc. (For the sake of the judge's eyesight: please, only one entry per student!)

If your student(s) would like to enter, you may pick up an entry

form at the Cross Plains Public Library between 1 and 5 PM, Monday through Friday, and return the entries there by 5:00 PM, Thursday, March 24, 2005. The entries will be "blind" judged by a retired college level teacher of English. As in previous years, we will award ribbons for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place in each grade, and trophies for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd overall. Additionally, the three best overall entries will be printed in the *Cross Plains Review*.

For further information, please contact the Library at 254-725-7722.

Submitted by Ginny Hoskins

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## GARDEN TIPS

By JAMES NICHOLS

There are a lot of things happening in your flower beds this time of year. Old reliable plants are starting to put out.

Clean out your flower beds by cutting the old dead growth out, pulling the winter weeds, and cultivating the soil. This will get

things off to a good start.

Applying compost or putting out a good all purpose fertilizer will help plants with new growth get started.

The better they do now, the longer they will last through the hot days to come.

## MA & PA

By JAMES NICHOLS

### "Texas Trivia"

Texas has 254 counties with a wide range of temperatures.

The hottest day was August 12, 1936, 120 degrees at Seymour. While the lowest temperature was on February 8, 1933 with minus 23 degrees in Seminole.

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Sunday School.....10:00 A.M.

Sunday Morning Worship.....11:00 A.M.

Sunday Evening Worship.....6:00 P.M.

Bill Armstrong - Pastor

## OBITUARIES



### Winnie Loretta McCoy

Winnie Loretta McCoy, age 84, passed away Friday, January 7, 2005, at Integrated Health Services in Fort Worth.

Graveside services were held at 11:00 a.m. in Oak Grove Cemetery in Irving, Texas with her nephew, Michael Ingram of Cross Plains, officiating.

Winnie was born April 21, 1920 to Charlie A. and Alice A. Kent in Cross Plains, Texas. She grew up here and attended Cross Plains schools. She married Oliver McCoy in 1950.

Survivors include a sister, Daisy King of Cross Plains, and several nieces, nephews and friends.

She was preceded in death by her husband, her parents, five brothers and three sisters.

### Lucille Legg Thomas

Lucille Legg Thomas, age 83, of Longview, passed away January 11, 2005, in Longview. Funeral services were held at 10:00 a.m., Thursday, January 13, 2005 at Higginbotham Funeral Chapel with Gary Hounshell officiating, burial was in the Cross Cut Cemetery.

She was born May 1, 1921 in Brown County, Texas to Chris and Allie (Byrd) Hounshell.

She is survived by daughter, Vondale Southworth of Longview; sons, Jim Thomas and wife, Doris of Alvarado; Gene Thomas and wife, Barbara of Early; Bob Thomas

### Julia Byrd

Julia Byrd, 93, of Bangs, formerly of Cross Cut, passed away January 4, 2005, in the Bangs Nursing Home. Funeral services were held at 10:00 a.m. Saturday, January 8, 2005, at Higginbotham Funeral Chapel with Gary Hounshell officiating. Burial was in the Cross Cut Cemetery.

Julia was born March 1, 1911 in Brown County, Texas to Chris and Allie (Byrd) Hounshell. She married Jake Byrd on September 2, 1976 in Brownwood.

Survivors include her daughter, Hannah Payne of Bangs; grandson, Thomas E. Bell of Baird; great-granddaughters, Kristi Barron and Katie Bell of Abilene; and three great-grandchildren; a sister, Lucille Legg of Longview; brothers, Milton Hounshell of Electra and J.C. Hounshell of Lufkin; several nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents, husband, and two brothers.

Pallbearers were Horace Hounshell, Glynn Lynn Byrd, Larry Hounshell, Travis Hounshell, John Alexander and Wendell Guthrie.

## COURTHOUSE NEWS

### COUNTY COURT Roger Corn, Presiding

#### Misdemeanor Filings

Joel R. Melendez, driving while intoxicated (DWI).

Marie Leonard, theft by check.

Camille Tomlinson, theft by check.

Wesley Smith, theft by check.

Donna Reid, theft by check.

Daniel R. Podlevoki, theft by check.

William R. Beer, Jr., driving while license invalid (DWLI).

Donald W. McNeil, unlawfully carrying weapon.

Sylvester V. Jones, DWLI.

#### Misdemeanor Minutes

Randle Nichols, plea of guilty to unlawful carrying weapon, 5 days in jail, \$100 fine, \$218 court costs.

W. B. Jones, Jr., motion to dismiss to DWI granted, failure to timely prosecute.

### 42nd DISTRICT COURT John Weeks, presiding

#### Civil Filings

Green Tree Servicing L.L.C. f/k/a Conesco Finance Servicing Corp. vs. Chester D. Chapman and Nancy J. Chapman, default on account.

Whitney Hill and Scott Hill, divorce.

Cynthia Smith and Dwayne Smith, divorce.

Wells Fargo Financial Texas, Inc. formerly known as Norwest Financial Tx., Inc. vs. Audra L. Sewell, breach of contract.

#### Civil Minutes

Stephen Michael Marturano and Kathy Hime, order granting nonsuit.

Jenny Suzanne Sudderth and John Taylor Sudderth, divorce granted.

Melanie Janine Estlinbaum-Tennison and Gregory Dean Tennison, divorce granted.

Lawanda Holli Dennington and Alton Earl Dennington, divorce granted.

### Criminal Information & Complaints

Jeremy W. King, burglary of a building.

Israel Olague, unauthorized use of a motor vehicle.

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### Criminal Minutes

Terri L. Melton, motion to dismiss to DWI with child passenger granted, case previously plead as misdemeanor.

Kelly Lee Buchahan, motion to dismiss to aggravated assault on a police officer, failure to timely prosecute.

Ronnie William Parnell, motion to dismiss motion to revoke probation granted.

Tihomil Kraker, motion to dismiss to criminally negligent homicide granted, insufficient evidence.

Jeremy W. King, plea of guilty to burglary of a building, 4 year probation, \$750 fine, \$256 court costs.

Israel Olague, plea of guilty to unauthorized use of a vehicle, 6 months in prison, \$206 court costs.

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### Callahan County DPS Report

Calls received by the Callahan County Department of Public Safety from January 9, 2005 through January 15, 2005 include:

Cases Investigated

Warnings—80

Complaints—89

Vehicle Accidents

There were two vehicle accidents investigated during this time span.

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7:00 pm Wed. Prayer/Worship

First Baptist Church  
Ronnie B White, Pastor  
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# PIONEER NEWS

The ladies are all back working after the holiday break. We are working on Christy Dallas' top and on Lou Grider's "Dresden Plate". It was so good to see everyone again. Everyone had a good holiday. We had a very wonderful Christmas party at the home of Frankie Smith. She had everything looking so festive. All our members were there with the exception of Lessie, who was in Houston with her son.

Our Rehab Quilt did very well at the auction. We were proud of the contributions of all the area Quilting Clubs. It is a very worthwhile project.

Frankie Smith and Jo Medley attended a birthday party for Buddy Reeden at Sipe Springs Saturday night. They also had a great musical, and a great supper. Sunday Frankie traveled to Ranger and visited her sister, Mrs. Dorothy Rogers. Then she also visited with Mrs. Robert Martin. Monday, Frankie attended the Cross Timbers Association meeting in Bircher with Wayne and Alene Smith and Laquetta Rankin. They enjoyed great music and a great supper. There was very good preaching, also.

Erlene Burge and Jessica had all the children and in-laws at home for Christmas Eve. They had a nice dinner and exchanged gifts. There were about 25 attending. Some of the younger children had a snowball fight. They all were glad of the snow for Christmas. They all had a good turkey and all the trimmings Christmas Day at Brownwood.

Charlene Chesshir left on December 19th and met Nancy in Eastland. She and a friend took Charlene to Wichita Falls

where they met John Chesshir. The two of them continued on to Edmond, OK. where Charlene spent a few days. The house smelled so good when they got there. Margaret had been cooking, yumm! They went to church at 8:00 AM on Sunday, then visited with the daughters, Amy, Chris, and little Mia, Ashley and Abby. Charlene was waited on hand and foot for the entire week. She did make her bed and clean out the dishwasher a couple of times. On Sunday after Christmas, Christy drove up and after visiting Amy and Mia Monday morning, drove Charlene home. Kim was at Charlene's house so she came into a warm house, and had someone to unload for her. Charlene had a super great time but it's always good to be home!

About 30 members of the Hutton family gathered at Cowan and Laverne's on New Year's day. They all enjoyed a meal together and visiting with each other. Cowan, Laverne and J.D. and Sandy gathered New Year's Eve with others at the church of Christ fellowship hall at Rising Star. They had a white elephant gift exchange that was fun and brought about a lot of laughs. Cowan and Laverne stayed to help bring in the new year. On Monday, the 3rd, their granddaughter, Samantha, spent the day with them.

Glenda Phillips enjoyed the holidays. She spent Christmas day with Allen, Janice and family. Glen Dale and Kosta came in on New Year's Eve. They all attended the New Year's party at the Rising Star church of Christ. Everyone brought a gift for the Chinese

Christmas. Everyone had fun. Sandy kept getting every gift she picked taken away from her. She finally ended with a nice gift plus J.D. picked a cute gift for her. Glen Dale and Kosta went home on Tuesday morning. Alpine didn't have school the week after New Year's. They had their stock show at the end of the week. Kosta showed rabbits and did really well with them. She got third place but she got more money for hers at the auction than first and second place did. Glenda was sorry to get word that Vernon's oldest sister, Minnie Lee Roberts, passed away on the 10th. Her funeral was on Wednesday at Copperas Cove. Glenda and her sons, Allen and Howard, attended the service. Glenda went with Allen and Janice to Eula Monday night to see the Jr. High girls play basketball. They really did great. They ended up winning. The girls really play hard. Cross Plains girls and boys had a tournament at Cross Plains this past weekend. Cross Plains girls and boys played Rising Star for their first games. Anthony Hutton plays for the C.P. boys team. Krista Phillips plays for the C.P. girls team.

Jean Fore had visitors over the last few days. Grasson and Myrtle Harlow of Atlanta and Paul and Juanita Harlow of Dalhart came to see Jean and her sister Vi. They always have a good time when they get together.

Wow! Did we all like the snow we got just before Christmas. We always need the moisture. We have also had some pretty cold days lately. It should make for a good spring!

**Happy New Year to all. May it be a prosperous and healthy one.**

## LIBRARY NOTES Check It Out!

### Behind the Books

In wandering through Cherry's work space this week, I came across a brand new book that is just being processed into our system. A very interesting book indeed.

Written by a close family member, it chronicles the life of Rev. S.P. Collins, who served the Presbyterian flock here from 1915-1942. A very busy man, he not only built the big ole' church that still stands, he built a hospital, headed the local Red Cross for years and provided canned goods, fresh produce and second hand clothing for the needy.

And, of course, my favorite of all his contributions—he started the very first public library in one of his Sunday School rooms.

The book is primarily a collection of Brother Collins' sermons; the local history bit just caught my eye first.

Why not come by and look it over in the comfort of the Texas Room?

CU-BW

### Statistics

January 10-14

<b>Circulation:</b>	
Books:	89
Interlibrary Loans	4
Internet Users	13
<b>Memorials:</b>	
Janice Courtney - In Memory of Mamie Clark	
<b>Donations:</b>	
Betty Jean Browning	
Dr. and Mrs. Jack W. Baum	
<b>Donations - books:</b>	
Fay Stowers	
Barbara Childers	
Ann Beeler	
Sara Emerick	
<b>Activity Report</b>	
<b>Patrons:</b>	80
A.M. - 26 (Lap 5)	
(Lapsit 4)	
P.M. - 54	
<b>Programs:</b>	36
<b>Copies:</b>	5
<b>Reference:</b>	4
<b>Check In/Out Books:</b>	60
<b>Calls in:</b>	4
<b>Internet Users:</b>	13

## QUIPS, CLIPS & COMMENTS

By Kay Mosley

**Note:** This is according to Apple Orchard Annie: I'm afraid that things going like they are (not enough cold weather) there might not be many perfectly pretty peaches.

### "An Education, A Job and Life: Just Mulling It Over!"

Another year, another stack of deposits in the basket. Another year of perseverance, hard work and planning... And the beat goes on! As long as we keep striving, we're closer to success. Try harder, put some strength into it and be prayerful in all that you do.

In four or five months; some of us will be having sons and daughters graduating from high school and possibly from college as well. These students, or at least many of these will be applying for work; starting new careers or entering college, and some will choose trade schools. Though

they might not all realize it they will be making a major step in their lives. Some will be beginning their lifetime careers, others may take a lower paying job planning to work their way up the ladder. Quite a few still; will marry and start a new life-style, a new family. Those who choose college may take part time jobs and work while attending college classes, usually four years unless they decide to try for a Masters Degree. These are crucial times for these former students as they begin a new stage in their lives. Quite a few of us have been there, done that, so we've been through that experience.

In my opinion someone who can make their living doing something in which they are interested and talented are very fortunate people. Naturally, there always seem to be those who don't know what type work they'd prefer. I guess that has to be or else where would we get our school custodians, bouncers, sales clerks, wholesalers, retail salesmen, etc. Including entrepreneurs, taxi drivers, pool men, chimney sweeps and such.

Just remember it doesn't matter what you do to make a living if it's honest and not against the law. Just resolve to and do to the best that you can at your job. If your job is to wash the windows of businesses, just strive to be the best window washer in existence. Do it correctly, do it speedily and do it well. That's the road to success. My Mom's favorite saying: Things that you Do, Do with your Might, cause things Done by Halves are never Done Right!

## SENIOR CITIZENS MENU

JANUARY 24 - 28

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**FRIDAY** - Roast w/Gravy, Mashed Potatoes, Buttered Carrots, Spice Cake, Bread, Milk

# COTTONWOOD NEWS

By Wallace Bennett

## Cottonwood Quilt Earns High Marks

The Cottonwood Quilting Club's "Winter Star" was sold at auction last Saturday night for \$470.00. That was the sixth highest price paid for any quilt in the annual West Texas Rehabilitation auction show. Out of 63 entries there were 35 full, queen and king size quilts and the rest were classified as lap throws and baby quilts. That was a very respectful outcome and quite a generous donation to the Rehabilitation Center. Three cheers for the Cottonwood quilter's!

## Fire Meeting This Saturday

The annual general meeting of the fire department will be held at 7:00 PM, Saturday, January 22, 2005, at the Cottonwood Community Center. It is important that all residents of Cottonwood valley attend.

The agenda for this meeting will include a financial report, election of Board Members and a discussion of other issues that concern the Volunteer Fire Unit of Cottonwood.

## Cottonwood Connections

David Weaver, of Corpus Christi, visited in the home of his mother, Mary Weaver, over the past week-end.

I am not "on-line" because I don't e-mail well. But I confess to reading some of Carol's mail because she e-mails quite well. Some real funny stuff comes through the airways. Here are a few examples.

From Judy Porter comes this. A distraught citizen called her doctor. "Is it true that I have to take this medicine the rest of my life?"

"Yeas, I'm afraid that is so," said her doctor.

After a moment of silence, the

lady replied, "I'm wondering then just how serious my condition is, because this prescription is marked "No Refills!"

Here are a few from a granddaughter marked "George Carlin-isms." How come wrong numbers are never busy? Do people in Australia call people over the equator up and over? Does that screwdriver really belong to Phillip? Does killing time, damage eternity? Why is it called lipstick if you can still move your lips?

Not many people have a dog-house in the barn. I do! Carol finally kicked me out! I have been trying, piece by piece, plank by plank and nail by nail, to finish a make-shift place in the barn to do my writing and thinking. My five sons have put their spare time in and done a good job. But if it had not been for my son, Gary, I would not have been able to do it so soon. Gary has made the nails fly and finished what I thought would never happen, at least in my life-span. But he did, so, I'm moving out of the house and moving into my barn, my office that is.

I'm really a lousy office-mate, and I promised Carol I would not stay in the house (her office) very long. It has been five years since I made that promise and I am finally doing it. Come see me.

(Please contact Wallace Bennett (254) 725-7474 for news or personal items for this column. E-mail is [csb5@airmail.net](mailto:csb5@airmail.net). Snail mail is 11093 CR 440, Cross Plains, Texas 76443.)

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## BREAKTHRU

By Bob Pipes  
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A little boy had done well on his report card and was to be rewarded by being taken out to eat by his mother and grandmother. He could hardly wait but the day finally came and as the menus were handed out, the little boy's eyes widened at all the possibilities.

After the waitress had taken the mother's and grandmother's orders, the boy's mother announced that she would order for the boy. The sparkle left his eyes as his countenance fell like a rock. The disappointment could not be missed by the waitress and at the danger of meddling, she said, "I believe he wants to order for himself." He was allowed to do so, and as the waitress left, the little boy, now with a smile "from ear to ear," said, "Boy, she treated me like a real person!"

Do we treat all others like "real persons"? Our children? The downtrodden? All others?! Jesus said (and lived accordingly) that each person is so real to the Father in heaven that He has numbered the hairs on his/her head (Matthew 10:29-30; Luke 12:6-7). Though we don't need to copy God in "counting hairs," we do need to emulate Him and His Son in valuing people, young and old alike — and everyone in between.

Come join us in times of Bible study and periods of worship, as every person is a real person and is treated accordingly. We really do care about you, too.

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# C.P. STUDENT REVIEW



WAY TO GO BOYS—The Cross Plains Buffaloes place 3rd in the Cross Plains Tournament.

## Buffaloes Place Third in Cross Plains Basketball Tournament

The Buffs made a good showing in the Cross Plains tournament. We played Sidney first and defeated them. Next we played Rising Star who defeated the Buffaloes. In the third place game we faced Zephyr and held them off to claim third in our tournament.

These young men are starting to come together as a team and are getting better everyday.

	1Q	2Q	3Q	Final
CP	9	23	38	54
Sidney	2	7	11	20

Scorers: Goains 10, Watkins 9, Koenig 8, Phillips 7, Dillard 6, Estes 4, Thomas 4, Cooper 3, Golson 3.

	1Q	2Q	3Q	Final
CP	3	11	21	30
RS	6	26	42	54

Scorers: Goains 18, Dillard 4, Estes 2, Thomas 2, Watkins 2, Golson 2.

	1Q	2Q	3Q	Final
CP	13	33	50	56
Zephyr	15	28	34	42

Scorers: Goains 16, Thomas, 10, Golson 10, Koenig 8, Estes, 4, Watkins 3, Dillard 3, Cooper 2.

	1Q	2Q	3Q	Final
CP	15	19	30	48
Novice	18	33	35	47

Scorers: Watkins 13, Koenig 9, Thomas 9, Dillard 8, Golson 7, Estes 2.

	1Q	2Q	3Q	Final
CP	4	8	17	33
Panther Creek	16	33	47	68

Scorers: Koenig 12, Phillips 7, Watkins 5, Thomas 5, Cooper 2, Golson 2.

	1Q	2Q	3Q	Final
CP	14	16	22	29
Santa Anna	13	24	36	52

Scorers: Golson 7, Phillips 6, Estes 6, Thomas 5, Watkins 3, Dillard 2.

	1Q	2Q	3Q	Final
CP	10	23	29	42
Rotan	16	26	35	44

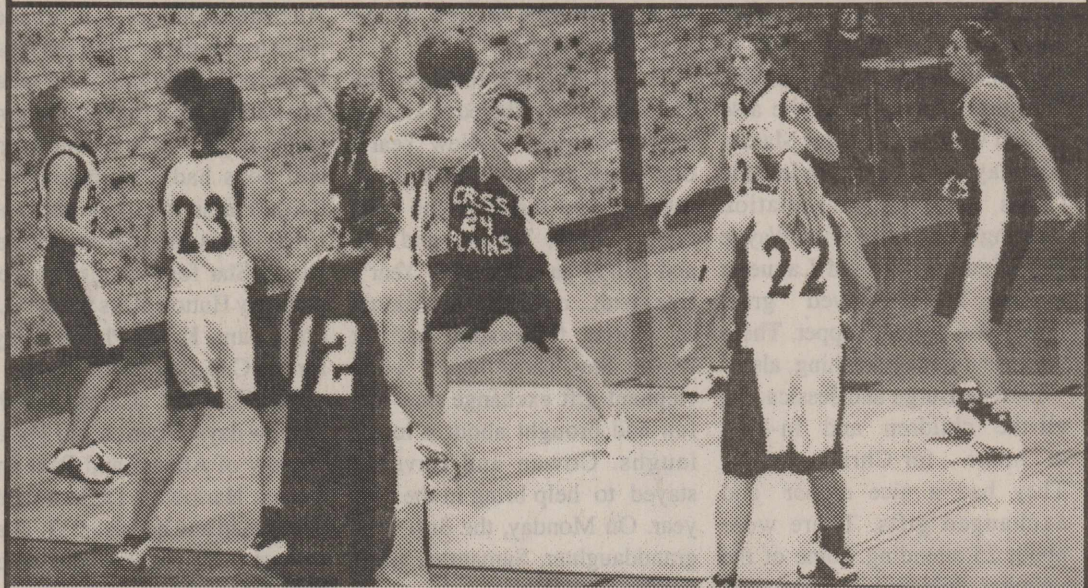
Scorers: Thomas 13, Estes 9, Koenig 6, Golson 5, Dillard 5, Phillips 4.

	1Q	2Q	3Q	Final
CP	18	27	41	61
Evant	3	12	21	26

Scorers: Golson 17, Watkins 11, Estes 8, Dillard 8, Thomas 7, Phillips 5, Gibbs 2, Callaway 2, Dickson 1.



UP, UP AND AWAY—Kelsee Richards (#21) jumps for the ball.



FIGHTING FOR THE BALL—Stephanie Edington (#24) and Nicole Clark fight for the ball against Ranger. Kelsee Richards (far right) and Mykea Douglass (#12) look on.

## Lady Buffs Defeat Ranger 52 to 17

The Cross Plains Lady Buffs currently sit at 2 and 1 in district. They began by playing Eula and despite a good first half, Eula was too much for them as they lost 51 to 34. The girls held a seven point half time lead but couldn't hold it

against an athletic bunch of Eula girls.

Next, the girls traveled to Ranger and handled the Bulldogs 52 to 17. The girls played a great fourth quarter to keep their playoff hopes alive.

This week the girls play at Gorman and have a home game with Albany. These are both district games.

Good luck and congratulations to the girls for their efforts.

Submitted by Coach Gill

## Junior Varsity Girls Basketball Update

### 11-30-04 Zephyr

This was the one that got away! We were tied at half time but we couldn't take a win.

	1Q	2Q	3Q	Final
CP	6	12	14	18
Z	6	12	16	22

Team Players: Avants 10, Schaefer 6, Byrne 2, Cook, Stout, Mathews, Walker.

### 12-7-04 San Saba

San Saba was a strong team and we struggled during the game.

	1Q	2Q	3Q	Final
CP	2	4	8	12
SS	8	18	23	36

Team Players: Avants 6, Stout 2, Mathews 2, Byrne 2, Cook, Schaefer, Walker.

### 12-28-04 Panther Creek

	1Q	2Q	3Q	Final
CP	7	9	16	16
PC	0	2	8	25

Team Players: Avants 6, Byrne 10, Cook, Stout, Schaefer, Mathews.

### 12-30-04 Santa Anna

This team fits into the strong team division.

	1Q	2Q	3Q	Final
CP	3	8	10	16
SA	10	20	25	36

Team Players: Avants 15, Mathews 1, Cook, Schaefer, Byrne, Walker.

### 1-4-05 Evant

This was another game that slipped away in the last quarter. We were tied in the 2nd and 3rd quarters.

	1Q	2Q	3Q	Final
CP	7	11	23	29
Evant	5	11	23	37

Team Players: Avants 13, Cook 5, Schaefer 8, Mathews 3, Stout, Walker.

### 1-7-05 Baird

What A Game! These six girls tried hard to compete with 12 Baird players.

	1Q	2Q	3Q	Final
CP	7	21	26	31
Baird	11	23	25	34

Team Players: Avants 17, Cook 5, Schaefer 2, Mathews 6, Walker 1, Stout.

### 1-11-05 Eula

Eula is a strong team with a very packed bench.

	1Q	2Q	3Q	Final
CP	0	8	14	22
Eula	11	25	39	52

Team Players: Avants 4, Cook 6, Schaefer 7, Mathews 3, Walker 2, Stout.

### 1-14-05 Ranger

WINNER! But very close.

	1Q	2Q	3Q	Final
CP	6	14	21	30
Ranger	9	12	17	27

Team Players: Avants 20, Cook 4, Schaefer 2, Walker 4, Stout, Mathews.

## Junior High Girls "A" Team Report

The Cross Plains Lady Buffs played several games in the last week and a half. They began by playing a terrific game defeating Eula 36 to 33. This avenged an earlier loss to them and kept the girls in the district race. This was Eula's first loss of the year and a terrific win for us.

The girls then played in the Cross Plains tournament and opened up with a 35 to 8 win over Rising Star.

The girls played real well but struggled in their next two games. They defeated Baird 14 to 12 and lost in the final to Gorman 37 to 28. With that, the girls got second place in the Cross Plains tournament.

The girls got back on the winning foot by defeating Ranger 36 to 14 and though they struggled early, they played a good second half to win the game.

The girls on the team are Christine Shipman, Emma Bennett, Emily Harris, Krista Phillips, Terrah Augustine, Mandy Rose, and Ashleigh Gallaway.

The "B" team also played this week and narrowly lost to Ranger. The score was 15 to 13 and the girls played a very close, competitive game.

Congratulations to all the girls for their efforts.

Submitted by Coach Gill

**Come On Out And Support Your Buffalo Basketball Teams!!**

## Junior High Lady Buff REPORT

What a bunch of young ladies!! The girls try real hard during the game each week. During our weekly practices we are working on improving our basketball skills. GOOD JOB LADIES!!!

Team players are Amanda Dunaway, Emily Foster, Melissa Black, Kayla Lawrence, Tiffany Holland, Cierra Odom and Tara Brown.

Wins - CP 18 vs Gorman 8  
Close - CP 10 vs Ranger 14  
CP 13 vs Ranger 15

Losses - Santa Anna, Baird, Eula and Albany

Submitted by Coach Becky Dillard

## SCHOOL MENU

### JANUARY 24 - 28 BREAKFAST

MONDAY - Eggs, Biscuit, Assorted Juice  
TUESDAY - Breakfast on a Stick, Assorted Juice  
WEDNESDAY - Breakfast Pizza, Assorted Juice  
THURSDAY - Cereal, Toast, Assorted Juice  
FRIDAY - Donut, Yogurt, Assorted Juice

### LUNCH

MONDAY- Burrito w/Chili & Cheese, Crackers, Salad, Apricots  
TUESDAY - BBQ Chicken Strips, Scalloped Potatoes, Green Beans, Rolls, Honey  
WEDNESDAY- Tacos, Salad, Refried Beans, Pineapple Cake  
THURSDAY- Lasagna or Corn Dog, Broccoli, Garlic Toast, Apple  
FRIDAY - Hamburger, Lettuce, Tomato, Pickle, Fries, Cookie

## SCHOOL BOARD MEETING

A called meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Cross Plains I.S.D. will be held on January 19, 2005, beginning at 8:00 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:

- Prayer
1. Open Meeting
2. Open Forum
3. Read and Accept Minutes
4. Discuss and Take Action on TASB Update 74
5. Discuss and Take Action on TASB Local Policy EIE (local)
6. Discuss and Take Action on Waiver for Cross Plains ISD

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7. Discuss and Take Action on Implementing Random Drug/Alcohol Testing of Students in Cross Plains ISD Extracurricular
8. Executive Session
9. Personnel
- A. Superintendent Evaluation
- B. Superintendent Contract
10. Review Financial Report/ Pay Bills
11. Adjourn.

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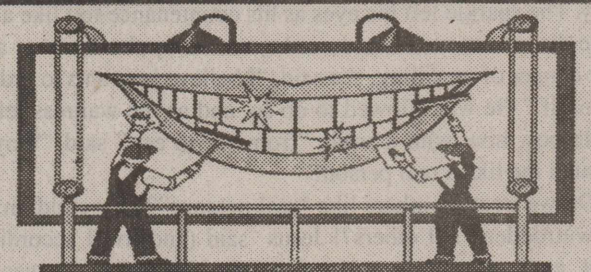
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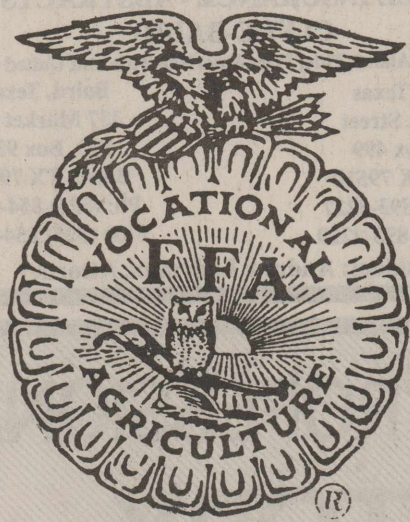
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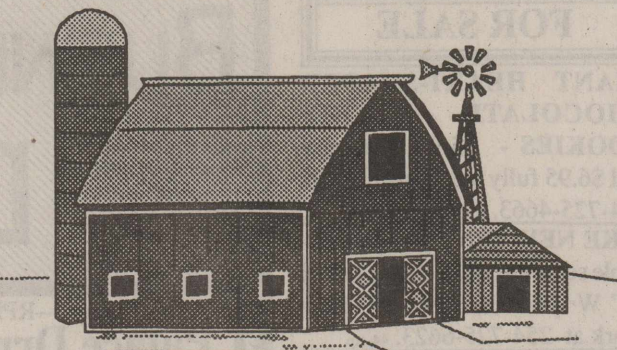
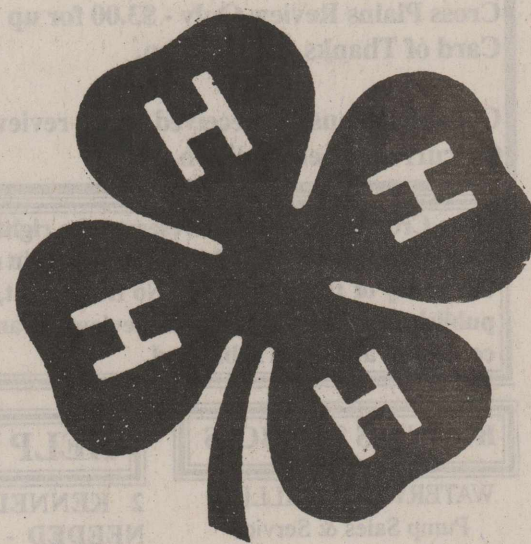
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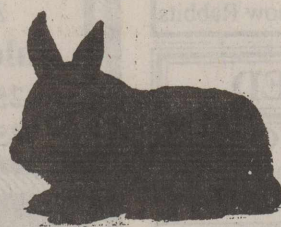
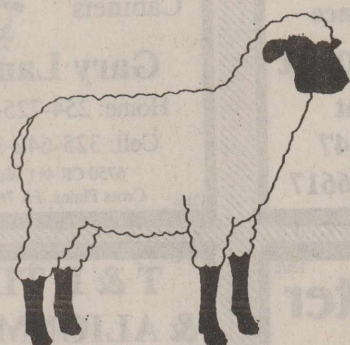
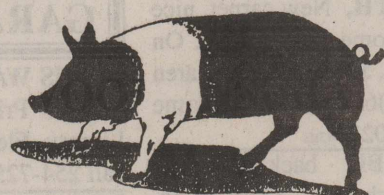




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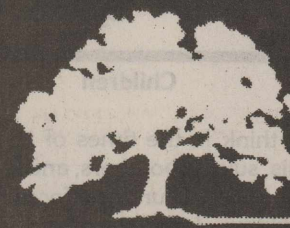
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By Barbara Holmes Worcester

## Children

I think in the times of tsunamis, suicide bombers, and 9-11, the ones we hurt most for are the children. I am departing from my love of humor to bring you the prayers of Ina Jones Hughs. BHW

We pray for children: who put chocolate fingers everywhere, who like to be tickled, who stomp in puddles and ruin their new pants, who sneak Popsicles before supper, who erase holes in math workbooks,

And we pray for those who stare at photographers from behind barbed wire, who can't bound down the street in a new pair of sneakers, who never "counted potatoes", who are born in places we wouldn't go into, who never go to the circus, who live in an x-rated world.

We pray for children: who bring us sticky kisses and fistfuls of dandelions, who sleep with the dog and bury goldfish, who hug us in a hurry and forget their lunch money, who cover themselves with band-aids and sing off-key, who squeeze toothpaste all over the sink, who slurp their soup.

And we pray for those: who never get dessert, who have no blankets to drag behind them, who watch their parents watch them die, who can't find any bread to steal,

who have no rooms to clean up, whose pictures aren't on anybody's dresser, whose monsters are real.

We pray for children:

who spend all their allowance by Tuesday, who throw tantrums in the grocery store and pick at their food, who like ghost stories, who shove dirty clothes under the bed and never rinse out the tub, who get visits from the tooth fairy, who don't like to be kissed in front of the carpool, who squirm in church and scream in the phone.

And we pray for those: whose nightmares come in the daytime, who will eat anything, who have never seen a dentist, who aren't being spoiled by anybody, who go to bed hungry and cry themselves to sleep, who live and move and have no being.

We pray for children who want to be carried and for those who must.

We pray for those we never give up on, and for those who never get a second chance.

We pray for those we smother and for those who will grab the hand of any body kind enough to offer.

Ina Jones Hughs

DO WE NEED TO PRAY FOR A CHANCE TO HELP AND WISDOM TO RECOGNIZE IT WHEN IT COMES?

# CROSS PLAINS GARDEN CLUB

BY Joyce Odom

The Cross Plains Garden Club met January 14, 2005 at 1 p.m. at the home of Mary Ella Weaver in Cottonwood for their regular monthly meeting.

The topic was "Flora and Fauna" (video) "Texas in Bloom".

A delicious meal was enjoyed by the following members: Mary Ella Weaver, Eva Fleming, Wanda Hammell, Wanda Martin, Betty Beggs, Lena Gage, Sandy Lusk, Barbara Powell, Joyce Odom and guest, Dena Nickerson.

They all enjoyed the many birds at the feeders, especially the little Finches, and also seeing "Sweetie", Mary Ella's pet canary, inside the house in its cage.

Eva Fleming, president, presided for the business meeting. All members repeated the Conservation Pledge.

Roll call was led by Joyce Odom.

Eva read the financial report in Julene's absence.

She also reported on the State Bird Quilt that the club had been selling tickets on, and the drawing will take place at the February 11th meeting. Tickets

are still available up to that date.

Mary Ella conducted the video and also gave each member a folder showing "Wildflowers of Texas". There are 5,000 species of wildflowers growing in Texas.

Barbara passed out awards to each member for "Bird Habitat Awards", signed by she and Eva.

Mary Ella will arrange for the planting of a Mimosa tree, that Eva is donating, at the American Legion grounds on February 11th.

Also members signed a letter certifying Rolan Jones as an Organic Gardening candidate.

Sandy Lusk conducted the door prize which won by Wanda Hammell, who will be responsible for the next drawing.

The nominating committee reported that all officers will remain the same, the exception being: Lena Gage will serve on the telephone committee.

The club adjourned to reconvene February 11th at 10 a.m. at the American Legion Building. Esther Kerr will bring a program on the "Planting and Growing of Iris".

The club enjoyed the warm and gracious hospitality of Mary Ella.

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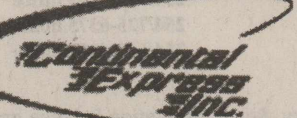
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## American Cancer Society offers services to cancer patients

Austin, TX-January 18, 2005—In the fight against cancer, the American Cancer Society places great importance on cancer patient services—hoping to ease cancer's impact on people's lives. The fact that people are surviving cancer today more than ever before—over 60 percent live at least five years—reinforces the need to help people get back into life's mainstream.

"Your American Cancer Society provides the latest information about cancer and guidance to local community resources," says Linda Schickedanz, RN, MSN, CNS, Chair of the Patient Services Committee of the Texas Division. "Programs, services and materials to cancer patients and their families are available at no direct cost through public contributions."

The American Cancer Society helps people with cancer and their families in every Texas community through a toll free number that is available 24 hours a day, seven days a week. By calling 1-800-ACS-2345, a cancer information specialist can offer assistance.

Resources can also be found on the American Cancer Society's web site at www.cancer.org. With a click of the mouse, patients and caregivers can log onto the Cancer Survivors Network and seek support. The site offers discussion groups, personal stories, communication with others via email, and resources such as suggested books, articles, and web sites.

The Society offers limited tangible services such as medical equipment, comfort pillows, and other gift items. Temporary housing is available in some cities for cancer patients who must travel for treatment. Volunteer drivers transport patients through the Road to Recovery program.

Volunteers who have experienced cancer visit patients and their families to support them in adjusting to their diagnosis. The Reach to Recovery program is for breast cancer patients, and the Man to Man visitation program is a program created for prostate cancer patients. Support groups are held in hospitals, churches, and other facilities that help cancer patients and their families. These include: I Can Cope, Coping with Breast Cancer, Dialogue, and Look Good...Feel Better. The American Cancer Society also offers a bereavement support group in some communities called Life After Loss.

If you or a member of your family is in need of these services, or if you want to volunteer or need more information, please call your local American Cancer Society office or 1-800-ACS-2345.

The American Cancer Society is dedicated to eliminating cancer as a major health problem by saving lives, diminishing suffering and preventing cancer through research, education, advocacy and service.

Need To Reach Us?  
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## Former Resident, Kellie Rogers Adcox, Received Degree

Kellie Rogers Adcox received a Bachelor of Science degree from Bethel College in McKenzie, Tennessee, December 12, 2004.

She graduated summa cum laude with a 3.95 GPA. She is a member of the honor society Gamma Beta Phi. She is now pursuing her Master's and MBA at Bethel.

She is the daughter of Mike and Paula Kelley of McKenzie, Tennessee and Greg Rogers of Mansfield. She the granddaughter of Dorothy Petty and the late Eddie Petty of Cross Plains,

also Bob and Thelma Rogers of Silver City, New Mexico and Clyde Kelley of McKenzie, Tennessee.

Kellie has three children, Alyssa, 15, Karyssa, 13 and Abella Anne, 3. She formerly attended Cross Plains schools.

Kellie and her sister, Ginger Wolski, are both employed by Bethel College. Ginger works in the home office in Nashville and is currently enrolled at Bethel College.

## Down Home

Thought for the day:  
If God had a refrigerator, your picture would be on it.  
If He had a wallet, your photo would be in it.  
He sends you flowers every

spring.  
He sends you sunrise every morning.  
Face it, friend—He is crazy about YOU!!!!

Author Unknown

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#### DIESEL TRUCKS

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94 Ford F250 4X4 Turbo Diesel, Crew Cab, 5spd, good trk....	\$1,500 DOWN
90 F250 4X4 7.3 Super Cab Diesel, Looks, Runs Good (Red)....	\$1,250 DOWN
90 Ford F350 Crew Cab Dually 7.3 Diesel, Auto, 6 new tires, Tan & Brown, Looks, Runs very good .....	\$750 DOWN
89 Ford F250 7.3 Diesel Super Cab, Runs, Looks good....	\$1,250 DOWN
86 F250 Diesel, Looks, Runs good .....	\$1,000 DOWN
92 Ford F350 7.3 Diesel Super Cab Dually, Runs good....	\$1,000 DOWN

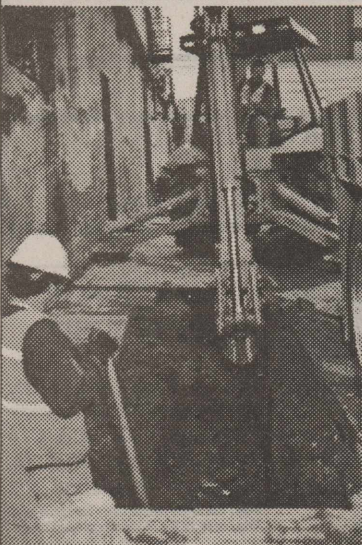
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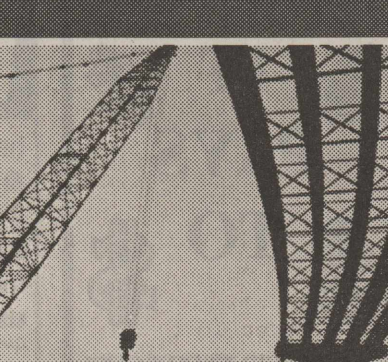
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