

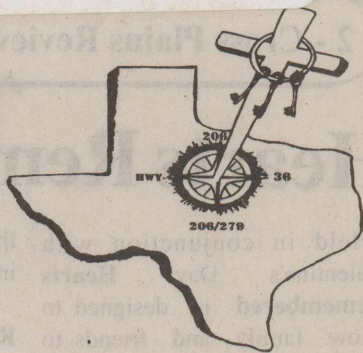
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THURSDAY, February 3, 2005



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DOWN HOME

EDITOR'S NOTE:

A subscriber to the *Cross Plains Review* mailed me this clever bit of information. Yet another "Author Unknown" contribution. The drug problem our society has is so very sad and debilitating. The following story gives some insight on a different kind of "drug" from past generations. It represents the kind of "drug" that produces positive effects. **Vanda Anderson**

"I Have a Drug Problem"

I have a drug problem. Someone at a store in a small town read that a methamphetamine lab had been found in an old farm house in the adjoining county and he asked me a rhetorical question, "Why didn't we have a drug problem when we were growing up?"

I answered, "I did have a drug problem when I was kid growing up on the farm."

I was drug to church on Sunday morning.

I was drug to church for weddings and funerals.

I was drug to family reunions and community socials, no matter the weather.

I was drug by my ears when I was disrespectful to adults.

I was drug to the woodshed when I disobeyed my parents, told a lie, brought home a bad report card, did not speak with respect, spoke ill of the teacher or preacher, or if I didn't put forth my best effort in everything that was asked of me.

I was drug to the kitchen sink if I uttered a profane four-letter word (I do know what lye soap tastes like.)

I was drug out to pull weeds in Mom's garden and flower beds and cockleburrs out of Dad's field.

I was drug to the homes of family, friends, and neighbors to help out some poor soul who had no one to mow the yard, repair the clothesline or chop fire wood, and if my mother had ever known that I took a single dime as a tip for this kindness, she would have drug me back to the woodshed.

Those drugs are still in my veins. They affect my behavior in everything I do, say and think. They are stronger than cocaine, crack or heroin, and if today's children had this kind of drug problem, America might be a better place...

Looking for Current Ex-Student Addresses

The Pioneer Ex-Students need current 911 addresses so they can update the address files.

Please send to:
Pioneer Ex-Students Association
c/o Frances Grider Taylor
908 Ave. A
Cross Plains, TX 76443
You may also call at 254-725-6739.

School Board and City Council Taking Applications Starting February 7th

Saturday, February 5, 2005 is the first day to file an application for a place on the Cross Plains I.S.D. School Board Ballot and Cross Plains City Council. Since the day falls on Saturday and school offices and the City Hall are not open, Monday, February 7 will be the first day to apply.

Monty Richards and Bryan Bennett's full terms are expiring on the School Board. Donnie Dillard's resignation will become effective May 1, 2005. He has one year left on his 3-year term.

Applicants may sign up for positions with full terms or with

the one-year unexpired term of Donnie Dillard.

Applications will be available in the Office of the Superintendent Monday, February 7 from 8:00am-12:00/1:00-5:00pm.

The two year terms of City Councilmen James Nichols, Edwin Weiss and Gene Dillard are expiring. Applications for City Council are available at the City Hall during regular working hours, Monday thru Friday, beginning Monday, February 7.

The deadline to file for both elections is Monday, March 7, 2005. The election will be held May 1, 2005.

FLU SHOTS AVAILABLE Clinic Schedules for Callahan Co.

The Texas Department of State Health Services will hold the following Immunization Clinics in Callahan County:

Monday, February 14th

Baird Cafetorium
400 W. 7th

10 a.m. - 12 noon

Cross Plains Housing Authority
233 N. Main Street
2 - 4 p.m.

Wednesday, February 9th

Clyde First Baptist Church
216 Austin

10 a.m. - 12 noon
and

1:30 - 3 p.m.

The CDC has released the flu vaccine to anyone over the age of 6 months.

Please bring your child's Immunization Records.

For more information call (325) 754-4945.

"Love Fund" Open for Livia

A Love Fund has recently been established at Texas Heritage Bank for Livia Sky Busby, daughter of Tiffany Guise and Shawn Busby, and granddaughter of Fred and Donna Smoot (managers of 36 West Motel), all of Cross Plains.

Fourteen month-old Livia has been diagnosed with XLH Rickets, Sagittal Synostosis, secondary to XLH Rickets. She will be undergoing surgery consisting of plagioccephaly of the head and face.

The family would appreciate your contributions to assist them during this difficult time. Prayers on behalf of Livia and her family are requested.

Project Pride Launches Their Membership Drive

The annual membership drive is now underway to provide everybody with the opportunity to get involved in this group of positive thinking, community minded individuals. Project Pride was organized in the mid '80's as a non-profit focusing on making the community a cleaner, more attractive place to live and preserving and documenting the history of the Cross Plains community.

To this end, Project Pride annually helps spearhead a luncheon honoring all our school personnel, promotes an extra big clean-up day with BFI, sets up and maintains a display of holiday lights and promotes Cross Plains through articles in Texas travel guides and the Ft. Worth and Dallas newspapers. In addition, we also maintain highway welcome signs at the city entrances as well as owning and maintaining the Howard House Museum and providing numerous tours each month to out-of-towners.

Local Library May Offer GED Classes Again

The Cross Plains Public Library will offer GED classes again, if 12 or more students indicate an interest in attending.

Historical Commission members appointed

Callahan County Commissioners voted to appoint members of the Callahan County Historical Commission for the 2005-2006 fiscal year term during the commissioners' court meeting held Monday, January 24 at the County Courthouse in Baird.

On a motion by Commissioner Bryan Farmer and second by Commissioner Doris Grider, commissioners voted 5-0 to appoint the historical commission members. The commission members include:

Allen Wright, of Clyde, outgoing chairman, commissioner will elect new chairman on January 25; Felix and Barbara Manion, Baird, vice chairman; Beverly Ross, Cross Plains, secretary; Lee Abernathy, Abilene, Director; Dana & Bobby Voigts, Baird; Mrs. Jess G. (Frances) Bennett, Clyde; Lynette Bowen, Baird; Mrs. James (Allen) Briscoe, Clyde; Mrs. Bea Craig, Clyde; Hubert & Marlene Donaway, Putnam; Raynell Duncan, Cross Plains; Jud Gilliland (Emeritus), Baird; Helen Groves, Baird; Billy Paul Harris (Emeritus), Baird; Byron Hatchett, Abilene; Tom Ivey, Baird; Roland Jones, Cross Plains; Mike Konczak, Baird; Wanda Marsh, Baird; Scotty Mitchell (Emeritus), Baird; Susan McNeel (Emeritus), Cross Plains; Mrs. L.H. Mosley, Clyde; Butch & Beth Petty, Putnam; Jackie Pruet, Baird; Tom Ruffield, Clyde; Mrs. Jamie Turner, Clyde; Ida Mae Waddell, Putnam; Ray & Tammy Walker, Baird; Sonia Walker, Baird; Dr. Paula Windham, Clyde; Nancy Young, Baird; Bill & Jane Coots (Emeritus), Clyde; Rose Farmer (Emeritus), Clyde; Judy Luter, Cross Plains; Butch & Dwalah Nelson, Abilene; John & Angela Estes, Abilene; Mike & Lynn Walker, Baird; Bruce Townsley, Clyde; Elizabeth Townsley, Clyde; Rob Black, Abilene; Lowell & Eb Maxey, Abilene; Marsha Murray, Abilene; Janet Swanson, Cross Plains; Marjorie

Middleton, Abilene; Joey Walker & Matthew Walker, Baird; Steve Kniffen, Clyde; Sue Blair, Clyde; Anita Mays, Baird; Bryan Bennett, Cross Plains; Jan Loper, Abilene; Ginny Greene, Clyde; Wallace Bennett, Cross Plains; Wanda Hammel, Cross Plains; Gina Menke, Abilene; Robert & Yvonne Peevy, Cross Plains; Bruce & Donna Bell, Baird; Jeff Barton, Baird; Georgia Yawn, Abilene; Reggie Pillans, Cisco; and Steve Odom, Baird.

Other agenda items brought before the commissioners' court meeting included:

—The meeting was called to order at 9:35 a.m. by County Judge Roger Corn.

—The minutes of the January 10, 2004 meeting were approved as presented.

—There was no public comments received.

—Commissioner Tommy Holland made a motion to terminate Norman Alston, Architect in Dallas. Commissioner Harold Hicks seconded the motion and it carried by a 5-0 vote.

—Commissioner Farmer made a motion to purchase a new computer for the Justice of the Peace in Precinct #3 (Baird) from the Justice of the Peace Technology Fund. Commissioner Holland seconded and the motion carried by a 5-0 vote.

—Commissioner Hicks made a motion to leave the Pauper Burial Policy the same at \$500 and the county will pay for cremation or immediate burial. Commissioner Grider seconded and the motion carried by a 5-0 vote.

—Commissioner Hicks made a motion, with a second by Commissioner Holland, to pay all current bills. The motion carried by a 5-0 vote.

—On a motion by Commissioner Farmer and second by Commissioner Grider, commissioners voted 5-0 to adjourn the commissioners' court meeting.

Project Pride to hold Monthly Meeting Feb. 8th

Project Pride will hold their regular monthly business meeting on Tuesday, February 8, at 6:00 P.M. at the Cross Plains Public Library.

The 2004 annual financial report will be given and upcoming events discussed. The public is welcome.

Cross Plains Roping Club Welcomes New Members

We'd like to welcome our new members, and invite anyone interested in joining the club or wanting more information, to please contact John Eppard at 254-725-6329.

Our meetings are held the first Monday of every month at the Roping Arena at 7 p.m. This is when we discuss events, and encourage anyone with ideas for events, to come down and join us.

Our next meeting is this coming Monday, February 7th.

Don't forget our next Playday, which is Saturday, February 12, 2005 starting at 2 p.m. (weather permitting).

Use of the Roping Arena is reserved for members only. If you wish to become a member, please contact John Eppard.

Submitted by
Tani Pointer

Blood Drive Set for Tuesday, February 8, at First Baptist Church

First Baptist Church in Cross Plains will host a community blood drive on Tuesday, February 8. The Meek Blood Center Bloodmobile will be at the church from 1:00 p.m. until 6:00 p.m.

"Blood donors are a lifeline to cancer patients, accident victims, surgical patients, dialysis patients, newborn babies, and those with blood disorders. There are six blood drives scheduled in Cross Plains this year, so there are six opportunities to be a hero to someone in need," said Frances Baker, donor recruiter. "We appreciate the sacrifice blood donors make to ensure that blood is available to patients in seventeen hospitals and medical facilities in this area," Baker

continued. There is no upper age limit for blood donors. Donors must be at least 17 years old and weigh a minimum of 110 pounds. Each donor gets a mini-physical, which includes a check of blood pressure, pulse, temperature, and hemoglobin level. A complimentary total cholesterol result is available three days after the blood drive.

"Many donors feel that regular blood donation is a great way to track their general health," said Baker. Those who have questions regarding eligibility may call Meek Blood Center at (325) 670-2798.

Each donor will receive T-shirt to thank them for giving the "GIFT OF LIFE".

Texas Heritage Bank
"We're Proud of Our Local Heritage"

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COTTONWOOD NEWS

By WALLACE BENNETT

Cottonwood Youth Make Showing At Callahan County Stock Show

Showing an animal at the Callahan County Stock Show is not a lot of fun, actually, and getting there is no picnic. First of all, the stock show always comes in the deadest and coldest weekend of winter. The early morning feedings and late afternoon exercises are always brutal, and uninviting to say the least. They come at the time when the student wants to be somewhere else. There is that constant effort to get that animal out for a walk and exercise and a learning experience to teach it to show well. And the fact that the teacher is also learning how to show, how to look the judge in the eye at all times, while paying constant attention to the way the animal looks.

It isn't an easy time! Just getting ready to show is mean. So hats off, to all the Cottonwood youth who showed animals of any kind in the 2005 Stock Show.

So here's the list of Cottonwood youth who braved the storm and

the rigors of showmanship to compete in last weeks stock show: Andrew, Brett, and Chris Wheeler showed goats; Jack and Zach Snell and Austin and Megan Thomas showed lambs; Thomas Dimitri showed a pig, while Dayna and Emma Bennett showed up with steers.

All these animals looked fine and well-bred to me and all show-ers looked proud as punch at a church dinner. They all deserve your attention. So, the next time you see one of 'em, congratulate them and say, "I'll bet you took first place with that fine looking animal."

Cottonwood Family Injured In Automobile Accident

Joe, Jane, and Marie Besselaar, of Cottonwood were injured in a car accident last weekend in Weatherford, Texas. The family was taken to Harris Hospital in Ft. Worth, where Jane is suffering from broken bones and Joe and Marie suffered cuts and bruises.

Funnies On E-Mail

I usually do not have room for funny stories, however, the following seemed to really tickle

my funny bone. They came from Richard and Sharon Parr under the heading, "This WAS my life".

Do you remember when...? All the girls had ugly gym uniforms? It took five minutes for the TV to warm up? (When there was not TV)? Nearly everyone's Mom was at home when the kids got home from school? Nobody owned a purebred dog. When a quarter was a decent allowance? You'd reach into a muddy gutter for a penny? You got your windshield cleaned, oil checked, and gas pumped, without asking, all for free, every time? And you didn't pay for AIR? They threatened to keep kids back a grade if they failed, . . . and they did?

There are many more of Sharon and Richards memories, but, too many to tell here.

(Note: The sentence above in parentheses and italics is my own.)

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

PIONEER NEWS

Everyone enjoyed being at quilting on Tuesday. We are still working on Christy's top and Lou's "Dresden Plate". We had some members absent due to sickness and other reasons. Lessie Baum did get to be with us a little while. We were glad to see her. She brought her son Kenneth Lowry of Spring and her grandson Chris of Wimberly with her. It was nice meeting them and talking with them. Lessie's family is one of the old families that lived in Pioneer in the early days.

Glenda Phillips brought a big bag of pine cones to the quilting house. Her little grandson, Logan, picked them up for us. We thank Logan so much. The cones do make it easier to start that wood fire. THANKS! LOGAN!

Cowan and Laverne Hutton visited their friends, Leon and Jerry Shedd in Abilene on Monday.

Glenda Phillips went to Brownwood last Tuesday to have

lunch with her sister-in-law and sister and brother-in-law at Underwoods. Her sister-in-law has tickets to go to a work shop at Underwoods and got a free meal. They enjoyed their meal and enjoyed being together. Her sister wanted Glenda to spend the night so she did. They all went to watch her sisters grandson play basketball at Early on Tuesday night.

Logan spent the afternoon with Glenda last Thursday. They picked up two big bags of pine cones. He went with Glenda to Frankie's Thursday night to the game night. Glenda is very proud of this grandson. He is a "cool" young man.

Frankie Smith had for her company Mrs. Dorothy Rogers and her son Brian. They came to take her out to eat and do some shopping. They enjoyed the trip very much! Where did you go, Frankie?

It has been quiet at the Chesshir farm this week. Christy came

Friday and did a good cleaning but Jim didn't come over the weekend. Charles feeds the cows every morning and stops and says hello. We had 2 new calves last week! Charlene visited the nursing home last Sunday and visited Violet Burcham.

This morning, we are having some clouds and a bit of welcome rain. The grain was really needing the rain. Maybe it will wash things down and not so many allergies will crop up.

The game night is being held at either Frankie Smith's or at Earlene Burge's house during the cool weather. If you have any questions about the game night get in touch with one of them. I have forgotten the schedule of the Thursday night it is held. I'll try to get them to write it in the next article.

Words of Wisdom: We are all in the same boat in a stormy sea, and we owe each other a terrible loyalty. G.K. Chesterton.

SENIOR CITIZENS MENU

- FEBRUARY 7 - 14**
MONDAY - Soft Taco, Tossed Salad, Refried Beans, Mexican Corn, Peaches, Milk
TUESDAY - Smothered Chicken, Au gratin Potatoes, Brussel Sprouts, Raspberry Gelatin, Bread, Milk
WEDNESDAY - Lima Beans & Ham, Squash Medley, Okra & Tomatoes, Bread Pudding, Cornbread, Milk,
THURSDAY - Teriyaki Chicken, Stir Fry Vegetables, Rice, Sugar Cookie, Bread, Milk
FRIDAY - Roast w/Gravy, Mashed Potatoes, Buttered Carrots, White Cake w/Frosting, Bread, Milk

PERSONAL

For those of you who would like to send cards or letters to Eunice Pointer she is currently at the following address: 611 Alsby Blvd., Burleson, Tx 76028. She would love to hear from all of you who know her and miss her.

Let us **HELP** you **SURF** the **WEB**
 Call Vanda or Amber
 (254) 725-6111

GARDEN TIPS

By James Nichols

The Japanese Quince is blooming now, which is most often the first bloomer of the year. Most people confuse them with Red Buds, that is also a early bloomer.

MA AND PA

By James Nichols

"Texas"

The state song of Texas is "Texas Our Texas". The music was composed by the late William J. Marsh, who died February 1, 1971 in Fort Worth at the age of 90. The words were written by Marsh and Gladys Yoakum Wright, also of Fort Worth.

It was the winner of a state song contest sponsored by the legislature and was adopted in 1929. The wording has been changed once, shortly after Alaska became a state in January 1959. The word "largest", in the third line, was changed by Mr. Marsh to "boldest".

BREAKTHRU

By Bob Pipes
 Cross Plains Church of Christ
 433 N. Main
 (254) 725-6117



In Monday's Dennis the Menace cartoon, Dennis tells the preacher, "That was a pretty good sermon, but a couple more jokes would help." Well, in spite of the possible effectiveness of a few jokes during the sermon, this preacher doesn't tell many because I either forget the "punch-line" when I get to it or I don't present it right, hence the joke "falls on its face"!

Jesus didn't tell jokes but He did share parables, along with "regular" teaching. And when He made a point, it didn't "fall on its face." I'm thinking just now of the triplet of parables in Luke 15, where at the end of the first two, He plainly says that there is great rejoicing when just one sinner repents. Then in the third parable, that of "the lost son," He plainly demonstrates it as the father goes running to meet his son who has repented and come home.

There are some that need to "repent and come home." I assure you that you will be as welcomed with open arms as the prodigal son of the parable. I promise that we will not act like the "older brother," for we really do care about you.

Sunday Morning Bible Class...9:45a.m. Sunday Evening Worship...6:00p.m.
 Sunday Morning Worship...10:45a.m. Wed. Evening Bible Study...7:00p.m.
 Friends & Neighbors Carling in Jesus

LIBRARY NOTES

Behind the Books

Cold, wet, dreary weather seems to be made for curling up with a good book and a cup of something hot. But for the "technologically advanced" who may prefer "surfing the net"—our library is way ahead of you!!!!

You are invited to check out www.crossplainslibrary.com and you'll find a bunch of interesting book reviews to whet your appetite OR follow the link to the Project Gutenberg and actually pull up a book to read. Then you can grab a smoothie and scroll your way through some adventure. How about that?????

CU-BW

Statistics	
January 24-28, 2005	
Books:	79
Interlibrary Loan:	0
Internet Users:	17
Donations:	
Kiwanis of Cross Plains	
Donations - Books:	
Leo Thompson	
Sherrian Conway	
Juanita Byrd	
Activity Report	
Patron:	79
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Lap - 6	
P.M. - 61	
Programs:	27
Copies:	43
Reference:	4
Check In/Out Books:	59
Lapsit - 8	
Lap- 24	
Calls In:	2
Internet Users:	17

QUIPS, CLIPS & COMMENTS

By KAY MOSLEY

Note: Apple Orchard Annie sez, "I'm looking forward to daffodils blooming. How about you?"

"Everyone Probably Has One, What's Yours?"

Back in 1964, my sister's life was going somewhat different to mine, I was pregnant and working at the *Abilene Reporter-News*. Ann was pregnant and they were in Okinawa where my brother-in-law was stationed. He had been in R.O.T.C. in college and was now a Second Lieutenant serving out his time.

Their daughter was born in Okinawa on May 5th and they named her Sherrie Belinda Bounds and was always called by her middle name, Belinda. Her nickname fast became Wendy-Pooch, courtesy of her mother, I believe. When he was about 5 or 6, along came baby brother #1. His name was Brian Todd Bounds and his nickname

was "T"-Todd. He was always called Brian. About two years later #2 son was born and named Randy Blaine Bounds. He has always been called Randy, but his nickname as a child was Randy-Pandy.

My sister and I each have three grandchildren. Ann's grandchildren are:

- Andrew Rian "Drew", age 16
 - Landry MacCraye "Landry", age 7
 - Evan Meador "Evan", age 6.
- My grandchildren are:
 Zachary Taylor "Zachary", age 17
 Paige Marie "Paige", age 8
 Summer Nicole "Summer", age 8.

Your name is something to be proud of. Always avoid committing crimes and things of that nature. Protect your good name. Try and keep your credit clean and clear. Take care of your debts. Then your name will stand for something and you will be really proud.

Scranton Musical set for February 5th

The Scranton Musical will be held Saturday, February 5, 2005 at the Scranton Community Center. The kitchen opens at 5:30 p.m. Bobby Ray will be the hostess this month. There will be sandwiches and homemade pie and probably a special for the night. All area mu-

sicians are invited to play. Please call 325-692-2057 to reserve a time for your group. Mary Ray is the emcee. Eight groups have signed up. Come out to enjoy a good supper and lots of music.

Submitted by: Joan Shrader

RISEING STAR NURSING CENTER

By LINDA MERRITT

We are all proud to announce that the Employee of the Month for January is Ethel Monville. Johnnie Elliott, administrator, presented her with a plaque and a gift certificate. Ethel is a Certified Nurses Aide and also helps in the house-keeping department. She is friendly, dependable and a hard worker. Ethel has six children. She enjoys dancing, fishing and music—you may hear her singing as she works. Ethel you are an inspiration to us all and we are proud that you are a part of this team. We love you and God Bless.

Thoughts and prayers for Lorene Jennings and Myrtle Hoggett who are in the hospital.

We had a good group for bingo. Our black out winner was Jack Smith. Congratulations Jack!

Everyone enjoyed cappucino's and cookies this week with the cool weather.

Plans are being made for our Valentine Party. We will be having a resident King and



JANUARY EMPLOYEE OF THE MONTH—Ethel Monville

Queen crowned this year. our party. Next week we will be making Valentine cookies for When Love is in the Heart, Joy Shines/Everywhere!

To get your name on the Birthday Column, send your name and date of birth to *The Cross Plains Review*, P.O. Box 519, Cross Plains, Texas 76443.

There is no charge for this service.

To delete a name due to death or other reasons send name and birth date (Month and Day) or Call 254-725-6111

You are cordially invited to attend a birthday celebration honoring

JUNIOR FORD

on his 83rd birthday

Saturday

February 5, 2005

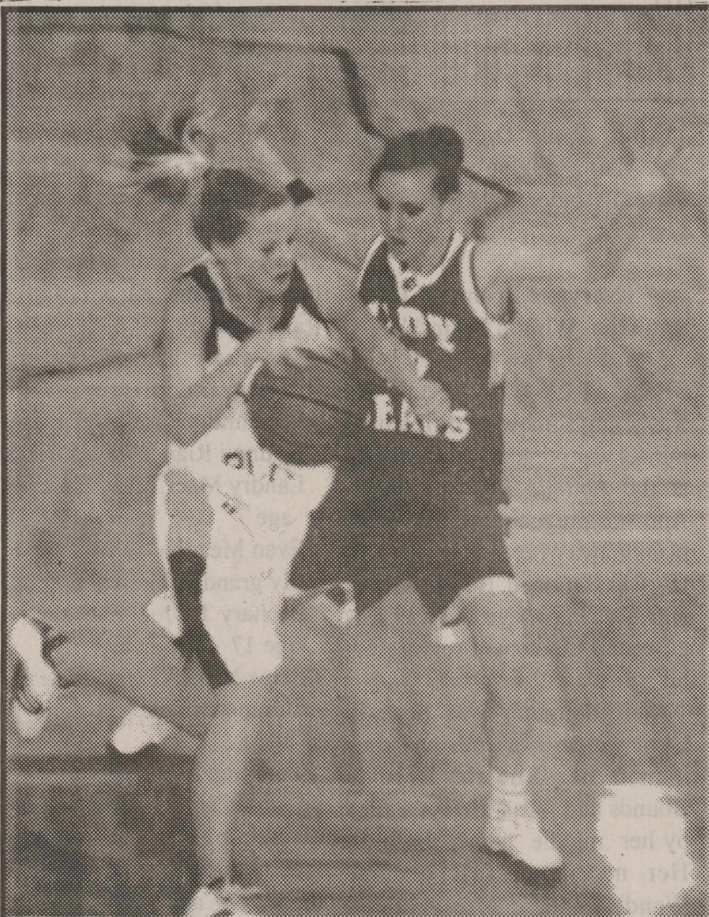
1:30 to 3:00 p.m.

Jean's Feed Barn Cross Plains, TX.

Hosted By His Children



C.P. Student Review



GOING FOR THE SCORE
Jesse Norris (in white) dribbles past Baird defense.



GO DEFENSE
Lady Buffs (white) play great defense to defeat Baird 48 to 43.

Lady Buffs Defeat Baird 48 to 43, Now in District Race

The Cross Plains Lady Buffs split games this last week. They defeated a hungry Baird team 48 to 43 and lost to district leader Eula 38 to 27. The Lady Buffs held narrow leads at halftime in both games but were only able to hang onto one of them.

We are the type of team that must remain patient on offense and the girls did a terrific job of doing that against Baird. After awhile, Baird had to be more aggressive on defense and that's when we were able to take advantage of them.

Against Eula, we tried to force

a few things that weren't there and it allowed Eula to hold onto a tough victory.

We are now in a position where we have to win our three remaining games against Ranger, Gorman, and Albany.

Congratulations to Nicole Clark, Stephanie Edington, Jesse Norris, Mykea Douglass, Dayna Bennett, Christina Avants, Kelsee Richards, Betty Mathews, Brittany Stout, Macayla Cook, Starla Schaefer, Tiffany Walker, and Karen Scott for being such a factor in our district.

Submitted by, Coach Gil

CROSS PLAINS ELEMENTARY 2004-2005 PRINCIPAL'S HONOR ROLL 3RD SIX WEEKS

First Grade: Kelli Bennett, Colton Bradley, Rebekah Crockett, Teagan Fortune, Laramie Gambrell, Dalton Gilliam, Megan Hagler, Brayden Kennedy, Debra Land, Shelby McWilliams, Nicolas Pfoh, Billie Pointer, Kristin Savell, Chance Thompson, Justin Whiteley, Seth Wyatt

Second Grade: Brenna Kleiber, Jurnee Thomas, Mikera Walker

Third Grade: Wyatt Gambrell, Christa Potter, Shelby Thomas

Fourth Grade: Griff McConal, Samantha Regula

Fifth Grade: Lauren Goode, Zoie Walker

Sixth Grade: Shawna Lewis

CROSS PLAINS ELEMENTARY 2004-2005 "A" HONOR ROLL 3RD SIX WEEKS

First Grade: Caden Creach, Michael Foster, Evelyn Morales, Hunter Thomas, Shyler Tillery

Second Grade: Cheyenne Bomar, Tucker Collier, Bronc Dillard, Taryn Estes, Ricky Higgins, Kelbi Hyles, Misty Ivie, Kaitlyn Koettel, Morgan Manley, Korbin McLean, Rebecca Parrack, Kaylee Potter, Keifer Steinle, Allanta Wheeler

Third Grade: Blakelyn Hennington, Meagan Roberts, Tristen Stephenson, Alyssa Wheeler

Fourth Grade: Joe Holland, Riley Lawrence

Fifth Grade: Shelby AmesRosa Salazar

Sixth Grade: None

CROSS PLAINS ELEMENTARY 2004-2005 "AB" HONOR ROLL 3RD SIX WEEKS

First Grade: Elissa Cantu, Zachary Gartman, Autumn Kelly, Sarah Perry

Second Grade: None

Third Grade: Brooklin Cantu, Jaden Kennedy, Colton McWilliams

Fourth Grade: Cheyenne Cowan, Victoria Creamer, Katharine Goode, Glenn Shipman, Tony Skidmore

Fifth Grade: Rachele Allen, Payton Porter, Kenzie Taff, Austin Thomas

Sixth Grade: Delaney Ames

CROSS PLAINS HIGH SCHOOL 2004-2005 PRINCIPAL HONOR ROLL 3RD SIX WEEKS

7th Grade: Melissa Black, Benjamin Schaefer, Zachary Snell

8th Grade: Sheena Apple, Jacob Estes, Emily Harris, Mandy Rose

9th Grade: Tiffany Walker

Sophomore: Thomas Estes, Russell Thomas, Michaela Wallace

Junior: Travis Golson, Jesse Norris, Jeremiah Snell, Chance Watkins

Senior: J.D. Cook, Thomas Dimitri, Lori Hail, Brandon Horton, Kelsee Richards

CROSS PLAINS HIGH SCHOOL 2004-2005 "A" HONOR ROLL 3RD SIX WEEKS

7th Grade: Emma Bennett, Nathan Creamer, Amanda Dunaway, Emily Foster, Tiffany Holland, Kayla Lawrence, Amber Parker, Cody Sliger

8th Grade: Krista Phillips

9th Grade: Hailey Biggs, Christiana Burhus, J.J. Callaway, Macayla Cook, Mitchell Gibbs, Markus Maxwell, Starla Schaefer

Sophomore: Dalton Carpenter, Mykea Douglass, Colton Manley, William Poole, Christina Ward

Junior: Vecy Carpenter, Samantha Hutton, Naomi Isbell, Ryan Payne, Levi Wooten

Senior: Christopher Beaty, Dayna Bennett, Mitchell Byrd, Stephanie Edington, Kali Phillips, Liana Rickenbacker, Karen Ross

CROSS PLAINS HIGH SCHOOL 2004-2005 "AB" HONOR ROLL 3RD SIX WEEKS

7th Grade: None

8th Grade: None

9th Grade: Cody Baker, Jerry Simons, Joseph Westerman

Sophomore: Zackary Bennett

Junior: Britta Scruggs, Thomas Clayton

Senior: Michael Hogrell

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

SCHOOL MENU FEBRUARY 7 - 14

BREAKFAST	LUNCH
MONDAY - Biscuit, Sausage, Gravy, Assorted Juice	MONDAY - Hot Dog w/Chili & Cheese, Tater Tots, Peaches
TUESDAY - French Toast Sticks, Sausage Link, Assorted Juice	TUESDAY - Ham Slices, Scalloped Potatoes, Spinach, Rolls, Honey
WEDNESDAY - Breakfast Pizza, Assorted Juice	WEDNESDAY - Chalupas, Salad, Corn, Pretzels w/Peanut Butter
THURSDAY - Cereal, Toast, Assorted Juice	THURSDAY - Spaghetti w/Meat Sauce, Cheese Stick, Broccoli, Texas Toast, Mixed Fruit
FRIDAY - Cinnamon Roll, Yogurt, Assorted Juice	FRIDAY - Beef or Chicken Patty on Bun, Lettuce, Tomato, Pickles, Fries, Cookie

Have A Great Week!

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McMurry University awards 2005-2006 University Scholarships

ABILENE—McMurry University has announced recipients of its University Scholarship awards for the 2005/2006 academic year. To be awarded the academic scholarship, students must score at least a 24 on the ACT or 1100 on the SAT and have a 3.3 overall grade point average. Receiving University Scholarships from Callahan County are:

Aaron David Gilbreath, Clyde High School.

Brandon Wade Horton, Cross Plains High School.

Founded in 1923 by the United Methodist Church and offering bachelor's degrees in the fine arts, humanities, social and natural sciences, business, education, and nursing, McMurry Uni-

versity has gained a national reputation for excellence and value through the achievements of our faculty, students, and graduates. McMurry's students are affected daily by its Core Values: Christian Faith as the foundation of life, Personal Relationships as the catalyst for life, Learning as the journey of life, Excellence as the goal of life, and Service as the measure of life. McMurry boasts of an outstanding faculty and staff whose goal is to maximize each student's level of achievement and to expose them to those qualities that go into making a successful life. McMurry has been recognized annually since 1996 by US News & World Report for quality and value.

Hunter Education Course in Abilene February 22

Every hunter born on or after September 2, 1971, must successfully complete a Hunter Education Training Course. Minimum age to receive your certification is 12 and cost is \$10. Hunter education teaches hunting safety, skills and responsibility and is the first step in a lifelong commitment to conservation and sportsmanship. Your responsible efforts will safeguard hunting opportunities and adventures in the great outdoors. The traditional Hunter Educa-

tion course is a minimum of 10 hours over two days. On Tuesday, February 22 beginning at 5:00 p.m. a course is scheduled in Abilene at the Taylor County Extension Office.

Jimmy Caughron and Rodney Sturdivant will be the instructors for this 10 hour, two day class. Class size is limited and you must be pre-registered to attend.

Please call the Extension office at 672-6048 for more information and to register.

"Don't Mess with Texas" Scholarships Available for Students Dedicated to Litter Prevention

Abilene, Texas—The Texas Department of Transportation's (TxDOT) Don't Mess with Texas campaign has announced its second annual scholarship program, offering a unique opportunity to graduating high school students who work hard to keep Texas litter-free.

The Don't Mess with Texas Scholarship, sponsored by a donation from Advantage Rent-A-Car, recognizes the valuable contributions of Texas high school seniors who have taken actions to prevent litter in their schools or communities. One \$3,000 scholarship and two \$1,000 scholarships will be awarded in the spring of 2005. Applications are due April 1, 2005, and are now available to be completed online at www.dontmesswithtexas.org or through high school counselors.

Last year's scholarship winners were rewarded for their creative and sustainable efforts, leaving behind inspiring legacies in their hometowns. Macey Bielski of Waller won the first-ever \$3,000 Don't Mess with Texas scholarship for creating an environmental student group called Project Earth and organizing community wide litter cleanups in the Waller area.

And, one of the \$1,000 winners

was Marcus McWilliams, an Anson High School senior. He won senior. He won the scholarship for the part he played in restoring Anson North Lake.

Who Is Eligible?
*Any high school senior graduating in spring 2005 and who currently resides and attends school in Texas.

*Seniors planning to further their education at an accredited, two or four year college or university (public or private) in Texas.

What Are the Requirements?
*An essay of 300 to 350 words identifying a litter problem in the student's school or community and the action he or she took to address it.

*Two letters of recommendation—one from a school-related source and the other from a non-school-related source.

*A completed Don't Mess with Texas Scholarship application online or by mail.

The scholarship is TxDOT's latest effort to generate more youth involvement in the Don't Mess with Texas campaign. TxDOT research shows Texans ages 16-24 are the state's most frequent litterers and they are often the most difficult audience to reach.

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A Valentine's Open House Planned for The Haven February 12th

The Haven is having a Valentine's Day Open House for parents of children ages newborn to 4 years old. We will be offering free gift bags filled with diapers, formula, baby food, toys, clothes, blankets, and a special gift for Mom and Dad. Parents and children are all welcome. Information on upcoming programs will be available. The Open House will be Saturday, February 12th from 10:00 a.m. to noon. The Haven is located at 222 Archer Street in Clyde. Call 893-3777 for more information.

Forage Seminar to be held at the Cross Plain Community Center Feb. 8th

A special 5-hour CEU Seminar is set for February 8th at the Cross Plains Community Center. Registration starts at 8:30 a.m. The program begins at 9:00 a.m. The goal of this program is to provide producers with information on forage management strategies to help them produce uniform, high quality forage to meet their production goals. These strategies will include management techniques on winter wheat, annual summer forages and existing Bermuda grass pastures.

Speakers for the Seminar will include: Dr. Chris Sansone, TAEX Entomologist-San Angelo and Dr. Billy Warrick, Extension Agronomist from San Angelo, Dr. Jason Johnson Extension Economist and Dr. Larry Unruh with American Plant Food. Dr. Warrick will discuss Herbicide and Fungicide considerations. Dr. Sansone will discuss Forage Insects and Dr. Johnson will be discussing the economics related to forage production. Dr. Unruh will discuss fertility management strategies to maximize forage potential. TDA will be on hand to give an hour of Laws and Regulations for pesticide applicators.

The cost for the Seminar and accompanying meal is \$5.00 to those that per-register by February 4th. Registration at the door will be \$10.00 per person. This program is presented by the Extension offices in Brown, Callahan, Coleman and Eastland Counties. For further information, contact the Callahan County Extension Office at (325) 854-1518.

Sincerely, Robert Pritz
County Extension Agent

PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

The Cross Plains ISD Board of Trustees is holding a public meeting to receive input on a program for random drug testing of students participating in extra-curricular activities at Cross Plains Secondary School (Grades 7-12). This program is only in the planning stages and the district administrators and Board of Education would welcome community input before proceeding with the planning. The meeting will be held Thursday, February 10, 2005 at 7:00 p.m. in the high school library.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Cross Plains ISD Board of Trustees is holding a public hearing, requesting a waiver from Texas Education Agency for a early start date for the first day of instruction during the 2005-2006 school year. The school district plans on starting school on Monday, August 15, 2005. If a school district plans on starting school earlier than the week, which August 21st falls, a hearing and waiver are required. The community meeting will be held Thursday, February 10, 2005 at 6:00 p.m. in the high school library.

NOTICE OF GENERAL ELECTION

To the Registered Voters of Cross Plains, Texas:

Notice is hereby given that the polling places listed below will be open from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. on May 7, 2005, for voting in a general election to elect 3 councilmen.

LOCATION(S) OF POLLING PLACES

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Early voting by personal appearance will be conducted each weekday at City Hall: 201 S. Main: Cross Plains, Tx between the hours of 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. beginning on April 20, 2005 and ending May 3, 2005.

Applications for ballot by mail shall be mailed to:

Debbie Gosnell
PO Box 129

Cross Plains, Tx 76443

Applications for ballots by mail must be received no later than the close of business on April 29, 2005.

Issued this the 1 day of February, 2005.

Ray Purvis
Presiding Officer

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FOR THE PERIOD

BEGINNING ON THE 1ST DAY OF October A.D. 2004

AND

ENDING ON THE 31ST DAY OF December A.D. 2004

CASH	OPERATING FUNDS	BALANCE	RECEIVED THIS QUARTER	PAID OUT THIS QUARTER	BALANCE
	Payroll Clearing	1,000.00	372,944.25	372,944.25	1,000.00
	Callahan Co. Comm. Prec #1	13,702.71	15,262.92 25,000.00 40,262.92	47,721.14	6,244.49
	Callahan Co. Comm. Prec #1 M/M	88,410.28	99.00	25,000.00	63,509.28
	Callahan Co. Comm. Prec #2	615.57	21,689.55 40,000.00 61,689.55	58,411.84	3,893.28
	Callahan Co. Comm. Prec #2 M/M	222,555.69	246.27	40,000.00	182,801.96
	Callahan Co. Comm. Prec #3	1,284.13	21,689.55 45,000.00 66,689.55	60,563.84	7,409.84
	Callahan Co. Comm. Prec #3 M/M	376,129.56	1,075.32	45,000.00	332,204.88
	Callahan Co. Comm. Prec #4	3,766.67	21,689.55 27,500.00 49,189.55	50,095.18	2,861.04
	Callahan Co. Comm. Prec #4 M/M	158,040.76	174.96	27,500.00	130,715.72
	Lateral Road	-0-	22,419.83	15,919.76	6,500.07
	Callahan Co. General Fund	26,318.16	552,112.73 280,000.00 832,112.73	715,060.88 100,000.00 815,060.88	43,370.01
	Callahan Co. General Fund M/M	470,241.55	1,070.71 100,000.00 101,070.71	280,000.00	291,312.26
	Callahan Co. General Fund Certificate of Deposit	291,376.16	-0-	-0-	291,376.16
	Historical Commission M/M	16,288.58	280.18 31.04 311.22	58.74	16,541.06
	Historical Commission Certificate of Deposit	5,000.00	65.18	65.18	5,000.00

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	Bad Check Processing	527.72	2,529.12	2,693.64	363.20
	Co. Clerk Records Management M/M	21,008.00	3,540.00 51.17 3,591.17	5,016.00	19,583.17
	Dare Project	3,534.65	-0-	-0-	3,534.65
	Abandoned Automobiles	1,825.73	-0-	-0-	1,825.73
	Callahan Co. Records Mgmt & Presv.	4,824.38	250.72	-0-	5,075.10
	Callahan Co. Courthouse Security	8,784.66	974.72	-0-	9,759.38
	Indigent Health Care	33,419.50	24,832.29	48,718.95	9,532.84
	Justice Court Technology M/M	13,412.90	6,451.22	4,864.00	15,000.12
	Callahan Co. Sheriff's Forfeiture M/M	18,007.86	32.88	919.03	17,121.71
	Callahan Co. Attorney's Forfeiture M/M	9,785.24	13.19	8,364.44	1,433.99
	District Clerk Records Management	685.00	245.00	-0-	930.00
	Callahan Co. Law Library	2,187.44	1,190.00	1,747.54	1,629.90
	Callahan Co. Seizure Fund Savings	34,009.70	64.29	-0-	34,073.99
	Texas DPS Forfeiture Fund Savings	302.47	.57	-0-	303.04
	TOTAL OPERATING FUNDS	1,827,045.07	1,068,101.63 517,500.00 2,924.58 1,588,526.21	1,393,164.41 517,500.00 1,910,664.41	1,504,906.87
	OTHER ASSETS	NONE			
	BONDED INDEBTEDNESS	NONE			

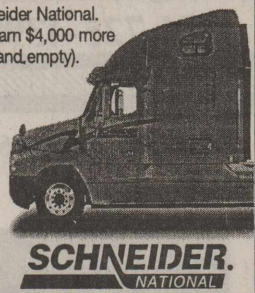
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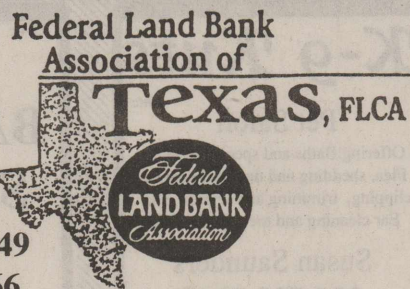
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Mary Ruth Lee
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Dana Archer
Robin Johnston
Gay Helms

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Jennifer (Pancake) Caraway
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Grady Newton
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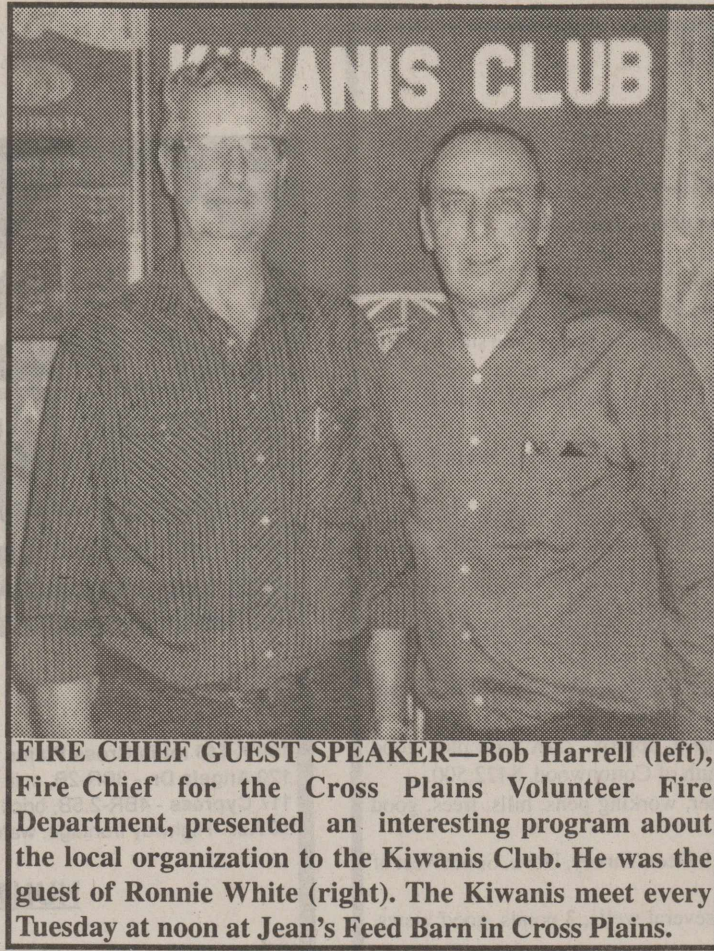
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Skip Nichols
Mrs. Clifford Hill
Kathy Morris
Jordon Crawford

FEBRUARY 10

Shannon McMillan
Elizabeth Griffith
Donald Sibley
Cody Golson
Nathan Wayne Jones
Lori Bishop

FEBRUARY 11

Kenneth Lowery
Mrs. J.C. Grantham
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Bill Wilson
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Clayton Goble
Shirley Snodgrass



FIRE CHIEF GUEST SPEAKER—Bob Harrell (left), Fire Chief for the Cross Plains Volunteer Fire Department, presented an interesting program about the local organization to the Kiwanis Club. He was the guest of Ronnie White (right). The Kiwanis meet every Tuesday at noon at Jean's Feed Barn in Cross Plains.

Barb's Cues

By Barbara Holmes Worcester

A God Thing

Hunter, a six year old girl, lives in Brownwood, Texas. She had learned that the helicopters that flew near the hospital area transported sick people to larger hospitals which might have more doctors, and equipment that could help.

One day, Hunter and her mom were in the hospital area, and Hunter saw the helicopter flying away.

"Look Mom," Hunter exclaimed, there goes the helicopter taking a sick person to another hospital. We should pray for that person." So pray she did.

My cousin, Bobbie Lou, and her husband Jack, have recently bought their retirement home near Brownwood. Soon after Christmas, Jack had a sudden

heart attack. Bobbie took him by ambulance to the hospital in Brownwood. They decided to send him by helicopter to Abilene Regional Hospital. Which they did.

When Bobbie got to the ICU waiting room in Abilene, she met a warm and delightful woman named Nelle, whose husband was in surgery. They experienced the quick but strong bond that often develops between women whose loved ones are in similar trauma.

The second day in ICU Nelle was waiting for Bobbie.

"What time was it when they transported Jack out of Brownwood?" Nelle asked. "About 2:00 in the afternoon," Bobbie replied.

"I have a story to tell you, said Nelle. Don't cry when you hear it." Then Nelle related the story about Hunter and the helicopter. Hunter's mom is Nelle's friend, and it was indeed Jack for whom Hunter prayed.

Jack is at home and doing well. Both he and Bobbie Lou are humbled and very grateful to a little girl named Hunter, for her prayers.

Was this a God Thing?
What are the chances that 65 miles away from Brownwood, Bobbie would meet a person who knew the details of a child and her compassion, who had prayed for her husband. I suspect that this story has not ended.

"Out of the mouth of babes."
"Let the children come."

BHW



AMBER DAWN SNELL

Phillips-Snell United in Marriage September 25th

Amber Dawn Phillips and Dustin Pershing Snell, both of Baird, were married at 4 p.m. Saturday, September 25, 2004, at the home of Ronnie and Betty Thomas of Cross Plains, grandparents of the bride.

Parents of the bride are Karen and Rick Snyder of Breckenridge and Robert Phillips of Cross Plains. She also is the granddaughter of Tommy Phillips of Cross Plains, Flora and Johnny Egger of Abilene and Kerwin Suthpen of Angeles City, Philippines.

Parents of the groom are Randy and Kandi Snell of Cross Plains. He is the grandson of Mr. and

Mrs. Snell of Illinois and Mr. and Mrs. C.H. Herring of Breckenridge.

The bride was given in marriage by her father, Robert Phillips, and Tommy Phillips Jr. officiated.

The maid of honor was Maci Nicole Phillips of Cross Plains, sister of the bride. Bridesmaids were Jera James and Natasha Wolford, both of Cross Plains.

The best man was Brandon Wayne Phillips of Cross Plains. Groomsmen were Zach Snell and Jake Snell, brothers of the groom, both of Cross Plains.

The groom works for Union Mill Right. The couple will reside in Breckenridge.

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