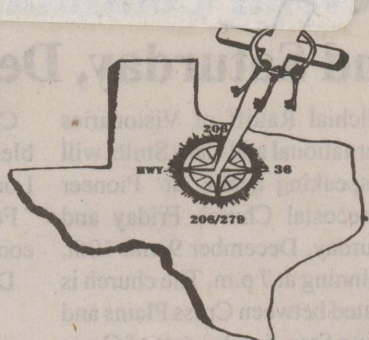


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DOWN HOME

"A New Adventure"

By Vanda Anderson
Editor

It was fun to get away from the routine of daily living for a little adventure in the Hill Country of Texas. Saturday after Thanksgiving I went on a trip with friends, John and Deborah Lowitzer, to the 18th annual Homestead Heritage Craft and Children's Fair near Elm Mott.

The weather was perfect, around 70-73 degrees. Not knowing exactly what to expect, it turned out to be the most refreshing experience.

The first thing I noticed on our arrival, was the glowing faces of the young people who greeted us for parking, handing out brochures of scheduled events, etc. Having thought on this, I decided what I saw in those faces was innocence.

It kind of looks like the set of Little House on the Prairie, yet the buildings are used to house a craft pavilion, a small theatre for a slide show with audio, a gristmill, blacksmithing and casting shop, gardening center and food booths. Bee keeping, boat building, rope making, barn raising, animal displays, petting pen, sheepdog demonstrations, and even musical entertainment were available.

There were demonstrations of candle making, homemade soap making, pottery, quilting, painting, woodworking, and more. All the products for sale were made basically from scratch and mostly by the youth. The first name and age of the child was usually either inscribed or tastefully attached to their creation.

Beautiful mule harnesses made of black leather with silver studs were crafted by young men 15 and 16 years old. Little girls from 8 to 12 years were quilting and having a great time. They had knitted sweaters from mohair that was raised on the farm and spun into knitting thread. You can't imagine how soft this felt!

Watching how the pottery was transformed from the square of clay on the hand spun pottery wheel was most interesting. I bought a three piece pitcher set. It has wheat embossed on the side and the name Rebekah was etched on the bottom of each piece. This will always serve as a reminder of the great day!

The handcrafted furniture produced is absolutely beautiful and sturdy. A secretary desk, four poster bed and a sleigh bed were a few of the items on display.

At lunch we were privileged to sit with a lady who told us how the event operated. She also shared her French fried sweet potatoes. If you haven't ever had them, they are delicious. They left the peelings on, sliced and deep fried them. American, Mexican, Mediterranean, Pizza, Soup'n' Bread, Quick Food and Ice Cream, Donuts and Desserts were available. Homestead Food Fare features their own all-natural beef in the food they serve.

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SANTA at the Bank

Help Make a Child's Christmas HAPPIER!!!

The Key Club of Cross Plains High School is sponsoring "Santa at the Bank" and asks you to join in and help share your blessings of Christmas with the children of the community.

There will be a Christmas tree at the bank with ornaments telling the gender and ages of children throughout Cross Plains. Just stop by and pick one out and return the gift to the bank by December 14, 2005.

The gifts will be wrapped and delivered by the Key Club for you. A reasonable price to spend on the gift would be around \$20-25. If you wish to just give money, then you may do so, and we will buy the gifts for you.

Some gift ideas include: cosmetics, hair accessories, perfume, sweaters, hats, gloves and purses for older girls. Video games, sports related items, sweaters, or hats for the older boys. Younger girls might enjoy dolls, sweaters, jewelry, purses, backpacks or stuffed animals, while younger boys might like Legos, trucks, cars, action figures, etc.

If you know of a child in need, please contact Pat Stephens at (254) 725-6123 school or (254) 725-6819 home.

Christmas is a time for giving and kindness. Please help us make Christmas bright for the children of our community this year!

Submitted by
Pat Stephens

Old Photos Wanted

The Callahan County Historical Commission wants your old photos, articles, scrapbooks, and other memorabilia to help preserve county history. We are asking everyone in the county who might be cleaning out old items that you no longer want or might not have room for to save them. Please do not throw them away. We are planning a way to collect them in various areas of the county as well as providing

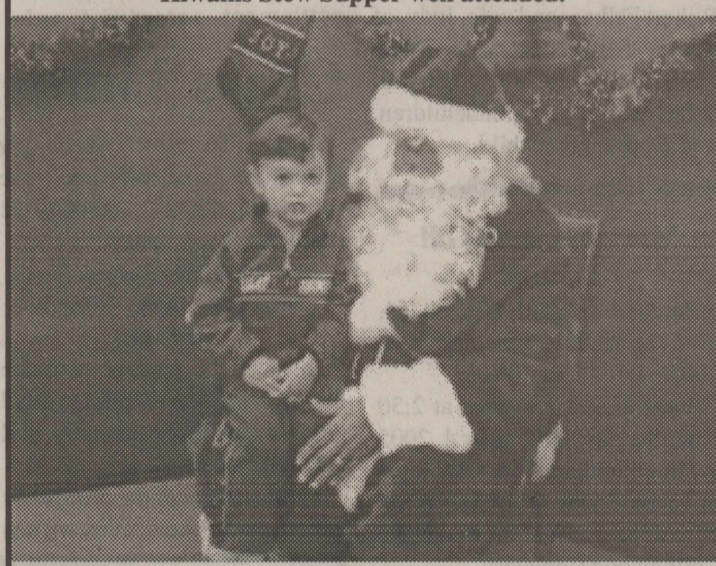
the option to let us scan them on the spot and return the original. We will let you know when, so please hold on to everything!

Also, we are again offering the Callahan County book, **I Remember Callahan, a History of Callahan County Texas**, for 55 dollars. If you are interested in this wonderful Christmas gift, please call Reggie Pillans at (254) 725-4168.

Submitted by
Janet Swanson



Kiwanis Stew Supper well attended.



HO! HO! HO!

Kyler King, son of Kye King of Cross Plains, sits on Santa's lap during Friday night's Christmas program.

YOU'RE INVITED TO ATTEND THE
Cross Plains
Elementary and High School
Christmas Concerts
Sunday, December 11, 2005
2:30 p.m.
At The Cross Plains Auditorium

IT IS TIME AGAIN TO WRITE YOUR SANTA CLAUS LETTERS

All pre-school children and students through 3rd grade may send your wish lists to the Cross Plains Review by noon on December 14th. The children's letters will be forwarded directly to Old Saint Nick at the North Pole.

Watch for publication in the December 22nd issue.

Mail To: Santa Claus
c/o Cross Plains Review P.O. Box 519
Cross Plains, TX 76443



THE CELEBRATION SINGERS

A HOLIDAY GIFT AWAITS YOU

Free Concert Offered to our Community by Beta Sigma Phi

Are you ready for a delightful and relaxing afternoon - free of the hustle and bustle of this busy holiday season? Beta Sigma Phi Sorority is pleased to present "The Celebration Singers" for their annual Afternoon of Music. This gift to Cross Plains will be given on December 11, at 2:00 p.m., in the Family Life Center of First Baptist Church Cross Plains.

The program will consist of all types of music - love songs, Christmas songs, ensemble/solo selections - as well as a funny story or two along the way. Audiences from Abilene and around Texas including Stamford, Cisco, Sweetwater, San Antonio - to name a few - find this group

very entertaining. Their joy of making music and sharing it with others will lift your spirits and leave many songs in your heart.

This choir of 50 voices is directed by Dr. J.G. Martin, Professor Emeritus of Music at Hardin-Simmons University. A large number from this group will perform. Accompanists for the Celebration Singers are pianists Lora Lynn Christensen from her popular appearance in Cross Plains a couple of years ago.

Performing only six times during their season, many of their shows are held at Abilene's historic Paramount Theater. Beta Sigma Phi is honored to be the recipient of one of these

appearances and happy to share them with our community in appreciation for the tremendous support you give to our efforts throughout the year.

Intermission will be a serenity - a time when you will be able to sit down and visit with your friends at beautifully decorated tables showcasing the Christmas theme and sample a delicious homemade dessert, punch, coffee or tea furnished by the ladies of the sorority.

Come on out on Sunday afternoon, December 11 at 2:00 p.m. at the Family Life Center, First Baptist Church. You are guaranteed a glorious time!

Submitted by
Mary Ann Chaffin

Unique Experience for Cross Plains Elementary School

On Wednesday, December 9th the elementary students of our school will have a unique experience. Through the cooperation of Texas Education Telecommunications Network and 19 Education Service Centers, they will be participating in a statewide video conferencing event designed for grades 3-5.

It is called "Texas Connects: Sun, Moon, Earth." Most of the program will be with elementary schools across the state, but the highlight of the day will be several live presentations from NASA. One will feature Dr. Leroy Chiao, an astronaut who

recently worked aboard the International Space Station.

Our 5th grade G.T. students have been selected to do a live presentation during the Texas Connects event. Cheyenne Cowan, Kathryn Goode, Joe Holland and Riley Lawrence will be presenting a 10 minute play about the "Incredible Quest to Outer Space".

This is a wonderful opportunity for our students at Cross Plains I.S.D., as one of 5 schools selected from the Big Country area.

Submitted by
Kathy Purvis

Buy Tickets for Celebration Park and Benefit Cross Plains High School Project Graduation

Experience a unique West Texas Christmas by visiting Celebration Park. Enjoy a mile long winding road of Christmas lights and animated scenes from the comfort of your own vehicle.

Come inside Santa's igloos for the "FREE" Laser Show and refreshments.

In the Gift Shop you will find lots of unusual gifts and Christmas decorations with a country and western flair. There are many handmade items for that special person on your gift list.

Visit Santa and have pictures made.

Be sure and enjoy roasting smores at Santa's campfire and grill.

Project Graduation will be selling tickets for \$5.00 and then you will pay additional \$10 gate admission at the park (regular admission is \$15.00 for a car of 6 people). Your advance purchase will benefit Project Graduation 2006, so see Lurene McNutt for tickets.

Celebration Park is open every evening through December 30, 6:30 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. It is located on I-20, 3 miles east of Abilene.

Project Pride to hold Regular Monthly Meeting

Project Pride will hold their regular monthly business meeting on Tuesday, December 13, at 6:00 p.m., at the Cross Plains Public Library.

The public is always welcome.
Submitted by
Era Lee Hanke

Texas Heritage Bank
We're Proud of Our Local Heritage
Member FDIC EQUAL HOUSING LENDER
Presents: "What's Inside"

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COTTONWOOD NEWS

By Wallace Bennett

The Stars at Night are Big and Bright

Whoever wrote that song must have been watching the stars at night in a warmer climate than has been in existence lately around this part of the country. He should have added the words "and cold" to end the sentence. However, the writer is right, the stars at night are BIG and BRIGHT and COLD, deep in the heart of Texas. I believe it is the cold that brings them out so brightly.

So, stay awake a little later and when the moon sinks low in the western sky, watch the stars come out. It is downright amazing. Anyway, it is getting to be the feeling that Christmas is just around the corner.

It is my favorite time of the year. Christmas decorations are ap-

pearing around more and more houses and soon there will not be a house anywhere in the country without some signs of lights and bangles and tinsel denoting that Christmas time is here! I am glad to live in Cottonwood, Texas. And I hope to see you at the Community-Wide Christmas Party on Thursday, December 15th.

And please don't forget to be at the Christmas services of each of the church's at the appropriate times during the season. People will be glad to see you.

Cottonwood Connections

One of the premier residents of Cottonwood was buried recently, Lucille Bush. I just cannot let her passing go unnoticed in this column. I barely recall the time we moved to the adjoining farm to Lucille and Lester Bush. And

there is no better memory of a neighbor than that of those two. It is a warm and comfortable feeling and it will be a long time before I get over this vacant feeling I have down deep in my soul, now that Lucille and Lester have both gone. But, I just hope that their two children, Neil and Gene, and the rest of the family, know that it has been a nice feeling, knowing that she has been a neighbor for all those years.

(To place personal or news items for this column, please contact Wallace Bennett at (254) 725-7474; email cwb5@airmail.net; snail mail, 11093 CR 440, Cross Plains, Texas 76443.)

Remember this, please, I can't print it, if I don't know about it.

RIISING STAR NURSING CENTER NEWS

By Linda Merritt



ANGELA WILLIAMS

Employee of the month is Angela Williams. She was born on October 24, 1963 in Abilene, Texas. Angie has four children and four grandchildren. She enjoys working with crafts. Her specialty is baking. She bakes and decorates beautiful cakes.

Angie has been an employee at

this Nursing Center for six (6) years. She is experienced in several departments. She has been a CNA, worked as a Medication Aide, certified Activity Director and is now employed as the Food Service Supervisor over the dietary department. It is a pleasure working with Angie, and her smile and bubbly personality has won the friendship and love of both residents and staff. Congratulations Angie!

The residents birthday party is Friday, December 9th at 2:00. E.J. Browning and group will be providing the entertainment for us. Residents with birthdays this month are: Sadie Erwin, Kay Mosley, Pauline Regian, Irene Starkey and Volley Joe Williams. Employees with birthdays are, Ava Dodd and

Dorthy Horrell.

We are proud to announce that we will be having the Twist and Shout Tumblers here to perform for us under the direction of Mindy Estes December 12th at 4:15 p.m.

December is well known as the Fruit Cake Month. So as an afternoon snack we plan to have fruit cake with coffee or tea.

Resident's Christmas Party will be December 15th at 6:00 p.m. The First United Methodist Church will present the Christmas Story for us with the singing of carols. Santa will make his appearance and refreshments will be served. All family and friends are welcome.

The Holidays Are A Good Time To Make People Forget The Past With A Present.

Barb's Cues

By Barbara Holmes Worcester

TO ALL THE KIDS WHO WERE BORN IN THE 1930's 40's, 50's, 60's and 70's !!

First, we survived being born to mothers who smoked and/or drank while they carried us.

They took aspirin, ate blue cheese dressing, tuna from a can, and didn't get tested for diabetes.

Then after that trauma, our baby cribs were covered with bright colored lead-based paints.

We had no childproof lids on medicine bottles, doors or cabinets and when we rode our bikes, we had no helmets, not to mention, the risks we took hitchhiking.

As children, we would ride in cars with no seat belts or air bags.

Riding in the back of a pick up on a warm day was always a special treat.

We drank water from the garden hose and NOT from a bottle.

We shared one soft drink with four friends, from one bottle and NO ONE actually died from this.

We ate cupcakes, white bread and real butter and drank soda

pop with sugar in it, but we weren't overweight because WE WERE ALWAYS OUTSIDE PLAYING!

We would leave home in the morning and play all day, as long as we were back when the street lights came on.

No one was able to reach us all day. And we were O.K.

We would spend hours building our go-carts out of scraps and then ride down the hill, only to find out we forgot the brakes. After running into the bushes a few times, we learned to solve the problem.

We did not have Play Stations, Nintendo's, X-boxes, no video games at all, no 99 channels on cable, no video tape movies, no surround sound, no cell phones, no personal computers, no Internet or Internet chat rooms

WE HAD FRIENDS and we went outside and found them!

We fell out of trees, got cut, broke bones and teeth and there were no lawsuits from these accidents.

We ate worms and mud pies made from dirt, and the worms did not live in us forever.

We were given BB guns for

our 10th birthdays, made up games with sticks and tennis balls and although we were told it would happen, we did not put out very many eyes.

We rode bikes or walked to a friend's house and knocked on the door or rang the bell, or just yelled for them!

Little League had tryouts and not everyone made the team. Those who didn't had to learn to deal with disappointment. Imagine that!

The idea of a parent bailing us out if we broke the law was unheard of. They actually sided with the law!

This generation has produced some of the best risk-takers, problem solvers and inventors ever!

The past 50 years have been an explosion of innovation and new ideas.

We had freedom, failure, success and responsibility, and we learned HOW TO DEAL WITH IT ALL!

And YOU are one of them! CONGRATULATIONS!

You might want to share this with others who have had the luck to grow up as kids, before the lawyers and the government regulated our lives for our own good and while you are at it, forward it to your kids so they will know how brave their parents were.

Kind of makes you want to run through the house with scissors, doesn't it!

BREAKTHRU

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



In last week's comic, *Frank and Ernest*, they are approaching "Hades Entrance," with a couple of little red beings with pitchforks flying around — and Frank tells Ernest, "I think maybe I stole the identity of the wrong person!"

"Identity theft" is a very real crime being committed against a lot of people today. I'm glad that Mr. Thaves played on this crime to serve such a poignant reminder for us to not "steal the identity of the wrong person," namely Satan! Paul, by inspiration of the Holy Spirit, tells us to not identify with Satan's "works of the flesh," rather with God's "fruit of the Spirit" (Galatians 5:16-26). That's "stealing the identity of the Right Person"! Of course we do not have to "steal" God's identity. He offers it to us as a gift. "For as many as are led by the Spirit of God, these are sons of God" (Romans 8:14). It's impossible to bear fruit of the Spirit without the "root of the Spirit." May I share more with you in regard to this?

We encourage you to share in periods of life-changing Bible study and worship with us. We really do care about you, too!

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 Caring in Jesus

LIBRARY NOTES

Behind The Books

Well, gee, nobody has found my little Bookworm Buddy hiding among the books. Does that mean you school age readers have not been in to see me?

We've got so many neat books about Christmas around the world that I just knew ya'll would be prowling my shelves to learn how to make a pinata to celebrate Christmas in Mexico. Or to see how the straw stars are made in the Philippines.

While you're begging your favorite adult to bring you to the library, remind them that they can purchase their chances to win that pretty cedar table that's on display at the bank. They can buy their tickets at several places around town, but you can find the Bookworm Buddy only in the library. Ya'll come check us out.

Statistics

11-28-05 thru 12-2-05

Books: 102
ILL: 0
Internet Users: 22
Memorials: Charles and Lou Rodenberger in memory of Jack Scott
Donations: Deverel and Nancy Harp, Cecil and Mary Barton, Alton and Joan McCowen
Donations-Books: Jacque Childress, Sue Bennett, Syble White
Library Activity Report
11-28-05 thru 12-2-05

Patrons: 91
Lap- 7
Lapsit- 4
Other - 80

Programs: 40
Copies: 11
Reference: 2
Check In/Out Books: 32
Calls In: 6
Internet Users: 22

SENIOR CITIZENS MENU

DECEMBER 12 - 16

MONDAY - Soft Taco, Tossed Salad, Refried Beans, Mexican Corn, Peanut Butter Cookie

TUESDAY - Lima Beans w/ Ham, Mixed Greens, Pickled Beets, Spice Cake, Cornbread

WEDNESDAY - Chicken & Dumplings, Peas & Carrots, Broccoli, Gelatin w/Fruit, Bread

THURSDAY - Fish, Macaroni & Cheese, Spinach, Mixed Fruit, Oatmeal Cookie, Bread

FRIDAY - Beef Stew, Pineapple & Cottage Cheese, Tossed Salad, Sugar Cookie, Crackers

2nd & 4th Tue., Domino Night (42/84) Begins at 5:00 p.m.

Callahan County DPS Report

Calls received by the Callahan County Department of Public Safety from November 27, 2005 through December 3, 2005 include:

Cases Investigated

Warnings—110
Complaints—110
DVI—2
Possession of Marijuana—2
Possession of Marijuana over 5 pounds, less than 50 pounds—2
Fugitive Arrest-DWI—1
Fugitive Arrest-Two Felony Counts-Child Molesting—1
Vehicle Accidents

There were three vehicle accidents investigated during this time span.

You Are Invited to a Wedding Shower honoring

Melanie Chesshir and Andrew Masters

Sunday, December 18, 2005
2:00-4:00 p.m.

at the home of
James and Wilma Lawrence
18156 CR 411 Cross Plains, Texas



Gift Selections at:
Higginbothams, Johnson's, Wal-Mart, Sears and Target

QUIPS, CLIPS & COMMENTS

By Kay Mosley

Note: We are just wondering, Apple Orchard Annie, how are the Apple Orchards holding up, what with winter creeping in and all?

"Dramatic Weather"

It seems to me that this has been a really quirky year, weather wise. My nephew, Brian and his wife, Tobi (formerly Texans), have lived in West Virginia for 2 1/2 years, just outside of town. They bought a large house and are slowly working on revamping some of it. The week of November 1st my sister called me and said Brian and Tobi had a lot of snow and cold weather that left them without electricity and water. Brian had flown to Massachusetts on company business before the storm hit, so Tobi was home alone. She has an uncle who lives in a small town nearby, so she stayed some with them. Brian was coming home on Saturday and had to fly out again on Monday. They left West Virginia for a little R&R, flying to Texas to be with family and

meet their new nephew, born August 31.

We are all still spinning from Katrina, which took a devastating toll on New Orleans and nearby towns and villages. Biloxi, Mississippi, Lake Ponchartrain, parts of Alabama and Georgia took hard blows. Right on the heels of Katrina was Rita, spreading more destruction in the Gulf Coast of Texas, Beaumont and surrounding areas. There have also been two tsunamis, maybe more, earthquakes and in Indiana a tornado that took more lives.

What you're thinking is on this I don't know, but it has been on my heart and mind these days, weeks and months. It just seems to me, that we should stop and look around and take notice. It appears to me that we should spend some time in quiet thought, maybe some could do a bit of meditation, then perhaps we should all join in prayer each in his own way. It may take alot of thinking, meditating and prayer, but in the long run, we could see things more clearly.

It's worth a try!!!!

PLEASE NOTE

Correct Time For Beta Sigma Phi's
"Afternoon of Music"
on Sunday, December 11 is
2:00 PM

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Thank You

Theresa Bell, Manager
Jarrod Potter, Asst. Manager
Phyllis Pancake
Tanessa Garza
Brenda Hargrove
Rita Hoggett
Michael Libey
Cynthia Mathews
Patti Mobley

The staff of the Dollar General store in Cross Plains for making the store a tremendous success.

A.D. Sanford, L.L.C.
Dallas, Texas

Thank You

R.O. McCarty and
Texas Heritage Bank
David Estes, President and
Steve Mack, CEO

For assisting in bringing the Dollar General store to Cross Plains.

A.D. Sanford, L.L.C.
Dallas, Texas



**THE CROSS PLAINS BUFFALOES
WON CONSULATION AT THE
RISING STAR BASKETBALL
TOURNAMENT**

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**TRAVIS GOLSON (#12)
WAS NAMED
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OF THE TOURNAMENT**



**SCHOOL
LUNCH
MENU**

**DECEMBER 12 - 16
BREAKFAST**

- MONDAY** - Eggs, Biscuit, Assorted Juice
- TUESDAY** - Pancake, Sausage, Assorted Juice
- WEDNESDAY** - Cheese Toast, Assorted Juice
- THURSDAY** - Hot or Cold Cereal, Toast, Assorted Juice
- FRIDAY** - Cinnamon Roll, Assorted Juice

LUNCH

- MONDAY**- Pizza, Salad, Corn, Pudding
- TUESDAY** - Ham Slices, Scalloped Potatoes, Spinach, Rolls, Honey
- WEDNESDAY**-Fiesta Salad (Chili Beans, Corn Chips, Cheese), Rice, Salad, Oranges
- THURSDAY**-BBQ Franks, Mashed Potatoes, Green Beans, Bread Stick, Peaches
- FRIDAY**-Sandwich, Chips, Pickles, Salad, Cookie

Callahan County to open bids for Baird Depot restoration project

Callahan County Commissioners voted to approve the Baird Depot progress and agreement during the commissioners' court meeting held Monday, November 28 at the County Courthouse in Baird.

The commissioners' court took the action after meeting with Betty Henson with the Baird Foundation and Merrie Rogge and Bill Leach with the Texas Department of Transportation on the restoration of the downtown Baird Depot.

On a motion by Judge Roger Corn and second by Commissioner Doris Grider, the commissioners' court voted 5-0 for the Baird Foundation to place their fund money in escrow with the State and the County will open bids and have local bid lettings. Mr. Karl Kamatsu, the architect for the Depot restoration project, will also be present to assist with the bid opening. The grant for the Baird Depot restoration covers 80 percent of the cost and the local match is 20 percent, which was raised by the Baird Foundation before the project began. There will be no cost to Callahan County for this project.

Other agenda items brought before the commissioners' court included:

—Judge Corn called the meeting to order at 9:34 a.m. with Commissioners Doris Grider, Tommy Holland, Bryan Farmer and Harold Hicks present. Also present at the meeting were County Attorney Shane Deel, County Treasurer Dianne Alexander and County Clerk Jeanie Bohannon.

—The minutes of the November 14 and November 18 commissioners' court meetings were approved as presented.

—There was no public comment received.

—Commissioner Grider made a motion to ratify and adopt an Order Prohibiting Outdoor Burning. Judge Corn had ordered the burn ban effective November 21. Commissioner Holland seconded and the motion carried by a 5-0 vote.

—Commissioner Farmer made

a motion to approve the deputization of Bobby Beard at the Callahan County Sheriff's Department. Commissioner Holland seconded the motion and it carried by a 5-0 vote.

—Commissioner Hicks made a motion, with a second from

Judge Corn, to pay all approved bills. The motion carried 5-0.

—On a motion by Commissioner Holland and second by Commissioner Farmer, the commissioners' court voted 5-0 to adjourn the meeting at 10:45 a.m.

Commissioners approve order prohibiting burning

**Callahan County, Texas
Order Prohibiting Outdoor
Burning**

WHEREAS, declaration with provision of the Texas Disaster Act of 1975, a state of disaster has been declared based on the imminent threat of disaster from wild fire and,

WHEREAS, declaration of such a disaster authorizes the imposition of controls on activities which tend to increase the likelihood of such fire,

BE IT THEREFORE ORDERED, that the following emergency regulations are hereby established for all unincorporated areas of Callahan County, Texas, effective **November 21, 2005** and further notice,

(1) Action prohibited.

A. A person violates this order if he or she burns any combustible material outside of an enclosure which serves to contain all flames and/or sparks, or orders such burning by others.

B. A person violates this order if he/she engages in any activity outdoors which could allow flames or sparks that could result in a fire, or orders such activities by others.

(2) Enforcement.

A. Violations of this order may be prosecuted in accordance with the statutes and procedures governing misdemeanors, punishable by a fine not to exceed \$1,000 and/or up to 180 days in jail.

B. This order may be enforced by any duly commissioned peace officer and that the venue for prosecution of vio-

lation of this order will be the County Courts at Law of Callahan County, Texas.

(3) A person is not in violation if, prior to the setting of any outdoor fire, he or she obtains permission to stage a Prescribed Burn from the Natural Resources Conservation Services.

(4) A person is not in violation, if prior to the setting of any outdoor fire, he or she first obtains the permission of the appropriate volunteer Fire Chief or the Callahan County Sheriff. In this instance, the Fire Chief or Sheriff will have the authority to set the conditions, restrictions, and or precautions which must be observed.

(5) Further, the burning of prickly pears as a food supplement for livestock is not a violation, if he or she first obtains the permission of the appropriate volunteer Fire Chief or the Callahan County Sheriff. In this instance, the Fire Chief or Sheriff will have the authority to set the conditions, restricts, and or precautions which must be observed.

ORDERED by the Commissioners Court of Callahan County, Texas on the November 28, 2005, and executed on the same day.

- (s) Roger Corn
Callahan County Judge
- (s) Harold Hicks
Commissioner Precinct #1
absent, Bryan Farmer
Commissioner Precinct #2
- (s) Tommy Holland
Commissioner Precinct #3
- (s) Doris Grider
Commissioner Precinct #4

**Cross Plains Junior High
Girls Basketball Report**

The 7th and 8th grade girls have played 3 games and their record is 0 and 3.

The girls playing on the 7th grade team are Callie Cooper, Delaney Ames, Miranda Williams, Kodi Roberts, Shawna Lewis and Savanna Wyatt. The 1st game they lost to Baird 27-11. The second game they lost 36-8 to Eula. The third loss was to Ranger 28-14.

Scoring for the 7th grade team were Shawna with 4 points; Kodi 4 points; Miranda 12 points; Delaney 2 points; and Savanna 12 points.

The 8th grade girls record stands at 1-3. The 1st game they lost to Eula 46-21. Scoring were Shasta Bacon 7 points; Melissa Black 6 points; Tiffany Holland 4 points; Emma Bennett 2 points;

and Cierra Odom 2 points. Also playing was Amanda Dunaway, Kayla Lawrence and Tara Brown.

In the 2nd game, Baird beat Cross Plains 43-8. The girls lost to Eula 37-28. Scoring was Tiffany 10 points; Emma 9 points; Shasta 2 points; and Cierra 8 points.

The girls finally won a game when they played Ranger. The score was 25 to 14. Tiffany scored 14 points; Kayla 3 points; Cierra 3 points; Emma 2 points; Amanda 2 points; and Tara 1 point.

The girls have two games left before the Christmas Break. They are working hard and are improving each week.

Submitted by
Coach Mitchell Atchley

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**IT'S
A
GIRL!**

Clayton and Content Goble are proud to announce the arrival of their daughter, **Harmony Grace Goble**. Harmony was born October 15, 2005 at Abilene Regional Medical Center. She weighed 7 pounds 13 ounces and was 20 inches long. Her maternal grandparents are Steve and Mae Parker of Cross Plains. Paternal grandparents are Stanley and Norma Goble also of Cross Plains. Maternal great-grandmother is Lois Grissom of Carbon. Paternal great-grandmother is Delilah Goble of Cisco. Many more friends and family were there to celebrate her birth.

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BOY!**

Roger, Michelle and big brother Hunter of Mansfield announce the new addition to their family, **Haiden Marshall Rudloff**. Haiden was born September 23, 2005 at 2:23 a.m. He weighed 6 pounds 12 ounces and was 19 3/4 inches long. Maternal grandmother is Lurene McNutt of Cross Plains. Paternal grandparents are Kenneth Rudloff of Stephenville and Nora Odom of Cross Plains. Great-grandparents are the late Byron and Louise Richardson, Dollie Boyd and the late Dudley Boyd of Brownwood and Wright and Verna Price of Early.



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FROZEN FOOD—Amanda Waggoner is shown with her guest, Frankie Hyles, who recently spoke to Kiwanis about his first deer season as owner of Cross Plains Frozen Food. Kiwanis meets every Tuesday noon at Jean's Feed Barn.

Cattlemen's Christmas Ball in Coleman this Saturday

The Circle C Cattlemen's organization is completing plans for the annual Cattlemen's Christmas Ball, to be held Saturday evening, December 10, at the Bill Franklin Center (Rodeo Grounds) in Coleman at 6:30 p.m. The dinner will be catered by Big O's of Valera, with special desserts provided by ladies of the organization. The popular Miles of Texas band will play for dancing and entertainment following the meal. Also included in the evening's entertainment will be an auction of special items and a silent auction of different gift items and specialty Western goods. Tickets for the event will be on sale from members of the organization and at the Coleman Chamber of Commerce Office and First Coleman National Bank. Cost for the dinner, dancing and entertainment is \$25.00 per person. Everyone is invited to attend, with the proceeds to be used for scholarships and beef promotion.

Cisco Junior College hosting volleyball tryouts for senior girls

Scholarships are available to individuals who qualify. Please RSVP with Coach Susan Moore by phone at (254) 442-5004, by fax at (254) 442-5100 or by email at smoores@cisco.cc.tx.us. Cisco Junior College will be holding two tryouts for the Lady Wranglers volleyball team on Sunday, December 4 and Saturday, December 10, at 1:00 p.m. at the CJC gymnasium. All interested senior girls are invited to participate.

CJC Band to present a Holiday Concert Monday, December 12th

The Cisco Junior College Band, under the direction of Manuel Martinez, will proudly present a Holiday Concert on Monday, December 12 at 7:00 p.m. The Holiday Extravaganza will be held in the Harrell Fine Arts Auditorium on the Cisco campus and will feature the Wrangler Brass, Jazz Ensemble and Concert Band. Admission is free, and refreshments will be served following the performance. Everyone is invited to join the CJC band for this night of traditional holiday music and celebration.

A SOLDIER'S THOUGHTS

By Jerry P. BIGGERSTAFF, JR.

In Closing

With the choppers flying overhead and the gunshots in the distance, I know we made a difference here. The first day we got here, we were welcomed with mortars. I was standing in the shower when two of them hit entirely too close for comfort. Now, about a year later, I am still here, still breathing. As I sit here and think of home, I think how awesome it will be to get there and see family and friends again. Family, not people in uniform, who share love and caring with other members of the family. I do feel some sadness as I feel that I will never in my life see this place again. I do not want to ever come here again but it is sad that I will never see it again. I imagine that many people go their entire lives without saying that they will never visit a place again. I can say with some certainty that I will never visit here again. It is kind of sad.

I have shared with you the past 18 months of my life, the fears, the trials, the new found strength through faith in God. I appreciate the concerns, the letters and the comments to my family. I feel now for certain that I will make it home and will go back to normal, but I find it hard to remember exactly what normal is. I know

that my words helped me through the tough times experienced and can only hope that in some way they helped other families of deployed soldiers with their fears. They say that fear is showing weakness. I say that fear is acknowledging weakness and admitting that you have some weaknesses. I have no doubt that fear is real and have learned many things through this trip on how to deal with it. As the "greatest adventure" of my life comes to an end, I think back on the time and can only say one thing for certain: "He left home, he spends time away, but for a good cause, one thing is for certain 'He is a real soldier'."

Note from Jerry, Sr.

Yes, folks, he is coming home. This may be the last Soldiers Thoughts column. I haven't decided if I should publish those which are still to be read. The feelings of one person, stated over a period of 18 months, still apply to those who remain in that place that once was God's garden and is now as close to Hell as anyone could ever get. I just don't know how "Jay" would feel and will wait and ask him.

Thanks to all who have supported him and others just like him over the past year.

Jerry P. Biggerstaff, Jr.

IT'S A BOY!

Bryan and Haley have a new baby brother
Jason Keith Clark Jr. (J.J.)

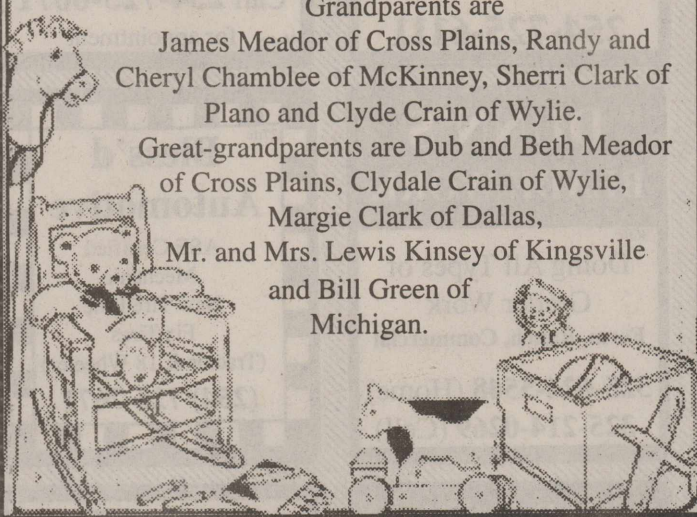
J.J. was born on June 27, 2005.

He weighed 8 pounds 4 ounces and was 19 inches long.

The proud parents are
Jason and Candace (Meador) Clark.

Grandparents are
James Meador of Cross Plains, Randy and Cheryl Chamblee of McKinney, Sherri Clark of Plano and Clyde Crain of Wylie.

Great-grandparents are Dub and Beth Meador of Cross Plains, Clydale Crain of Wylie, Margie Clark of Dallas, Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Kinsey of Kingsville and Bill Green of Michigan.



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Jimmy Gilmore
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Mickie (Archer) Holmans
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Sheri Lyn Bassett
Dustin Meiron

DECEMBER 14

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Bobby Jack McCowen
Calvin Champion
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Sherry Ann Wilson
J.T. Merry
Robert Grissom
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Troy Harris

DECEMBER 11

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Stuart Sowell
Peggy Purvis
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DECEMBER 15

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Linley Goble
Janice Newman
Billie Joe Shippard
Alton Sheppard
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Shambrly DeLayne Sanders
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DECEMBER 12

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DECEMBER 13

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Ken Horan
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COUNTY OF CALLAHAN

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Jeff E. Fox, if living, and if any or all of the above named defendants be dead, the unknown heirs of each or all of said above named persons who may be dead, and the unknown heirs of the unknown heirs of said above named persons, and the unknown owner or owners of the hereinafter described land, and the executors, administrators, guardians, legal representatives, legatees and devisees of the above named persons, and any and all other persons, including adverse claimants, the unknown stockholders of any defunct corporations, their successors, heirs and assigns, owning or having or claiming any legal or equitable interest in or lien upon the following described property, delinquent to Plaintiff herein, for taxes, all of said property being located in said County and State, to-wit: Lots 9, 10, 11 and 12, Block 11, Central Addition, Town of Cross Plains, Callahan County, Texas being that property more particularly described in Vol. 59, Page 326 of the Official Public Records, Callahan County, Texas.

Which said property is delinquent to Plaintiff for taxes in the following amount: \$287.82, exclusive of interest, penalties and costs, and there is included in this suit in addition to the taxes, all said interest, penalties and costs therein allowed by law up to and including the day of judgment herein.

You are hereby notified that suit has been brought by the County of Callahan, Plaintiff, against the above named persons, as Defendants, by petition filed on May 17, 2005, in a certain suit styled the County of Callahan et al vs. Jeff E. Fox, for collection of the taxes on said property and that said suit is now pending in the District Court of Callahan County, Texas, 42nd Judicial District, and the file number of said suit is T-1597, that the names of all taxing units which assess and collect taxes on the property hereinabove described, not made parties to this suit are NONE.

Plaintiff and all other taxing units who may set up their tax claims herein seek recovery of delinquent ad valorem taxes on the property hereinabove described, and in addition to the taxes all interest, penalties, and

costs allowed by law thereon up to and including the day of judgment herein, and the establishment and foreclosure of liens, if any, securing the payment of same, as provided by law.

All parties to this suit, including Plaintiff, Defendants, and Intervenor, shall take notice that claims not only for any taxes which were delinquent on said property at the time this suit was filed but all taxes becoming delinquent thereon at any time thereafter up to the day of judgment, including all interest, penalties and costs allowed by law thereon, may, upon request thereof, be recovered herein without further citation or notice to any parties herein, and all said parties shall take notice of and plead and answer to all claims and pleadings now on file and which may hereafter be filed in said cause by all other parties herein, and all of those taxing units above named who may intervene herein and set up their respective tax claims against said property.

You are hereby commanded to appear and defend such suit on the first Monday after the expiration of forty-two (42) days from and after the date of issuance of this citation as set out below, said appearance and answer date being the 2nd day of January, A.D., 2006. (which is the return day of such citation), before the honorable District Court of Callahan County, Texas, to be held at the courthouse thereof, then to show cause why judgment shall not be rendered for such taxes, penalties, interest and costs, and condemning said property and ordering foreclosure of the constitutional and statutory tax liens thereon for taxes due the Plaintiff and the taxing units parties hereto, and those who may intervene herein, together with all interest, penalties, and costs allowed by law up to and including the day of judgment herein, and all costs of this suit.

This citation is issued and given under my hand and seal of said Court in the City of Baird, Callahan County, Texas, this 23rd day of November, A.D., 2005.

(s) Sharon Owens
Clerk of the District Court,
Callahan County, Texas,
42nd Judicial District

(s) Bill Young
Callahan County
Constable

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COUNTY OF CALLAHAN

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Which said property is delinquent to Plaintiff for taxes in the following amount: \$883.71, exclusive of interest, penalties and costs, and there is included in this suit in addition to the taxes, all said interest, penalties and costs therein allowed by law up to and including the day of judgment herein.

You are hereby notified that suit has been brought by the County of Callahan, Plaintiff, against the above named persons, as Defendants, by petition filed on May 17, 2005, in a certain suit styled the County of Callahan et al vs. T.G. Morgan, for collection of the taxes on said property and that said suit is now pending in the District Court of Callahan County, Texas, 42nd Judicial District, and the file number of said suit is T-1596, that the names of all taxing units which assess and collect taxes on the property hereinabove described, not made parties to this suit are NONE.

Plaintiff and all other taxing units who may set up their tax claims herein seek recovery of delinquent ad valorem taxes on the property hereinabove described, and in addition to the taxes all interest, penalties, and costs allowed by law thereon up to and including the day of judgment herein, and the establishment and foreclosure of liens, if any, securing the payment of same, as provided by law.

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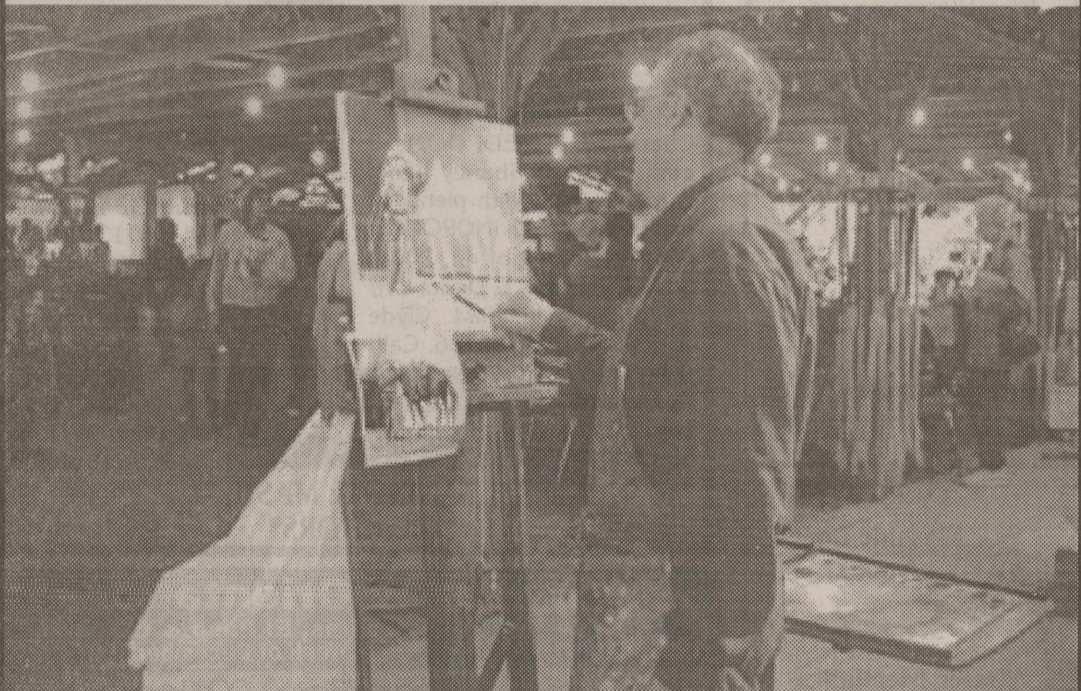
HAYRIDE
Folks are loading up for the next scenic trip around Brazos de Dios.
(Photos courtesy of Vanda Anderson, Editor)



POTTERY EXHIBIT
This young lady demonstrated how to shape clay into a vase. She made it look so easy!



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Joe paints from a photo below, as he captures the qualities of a "real" cowboy.

The hay, wheat, sweet potatoes, etc. were produced using hand tools and horse-drawn equipment. Draft horses and mules are used to work the cultivated land which we were able to view during the hayride.

We actually rode on an authentic hay wagon pulled by two huge draft horses. It was so much fun! Fifteen or so people could ride at one time and they had three wagons and teams in operation.

This day allowed you to get off the "fast track" for a few hours and enjoy a slower pace of life. We discovered that was indeed the basic idea—to return to a less stressful life-style, cherish the original methods of the pioneers, while recapturing the true meaning of relationships.

Their love of God came shining through in their handcrafted items featuring familiar scriptures, and especially in their music. Choirs of many age levels performed and entertained us with their talents. Their gifted musicians played piano, French harps, guitars, banjos, drums, etc.

This event occurs every year around Thanksgiving and it is a wonderful family outing. Brazos de Dios, which means, In the Arms of God, is the name of the 500 plus acre farm. The guide on our hayride stated that 5,500 had visited the Friday after Thanksgiving. A portion of the Homestead is open every day of the week, except for Sunday, if you have your curiosity peaked.

You won't be disappointed! I want to take all my children and grandchildren some Thanksgiving.

However, you will find it challenging to leave the peacefulness that abounds there and return to every day life.

Grande Ole Oplin Announces Band Line Up for the Remainder of December

The Grande Ole Oplin is pleased to announce their band line up for the remainder of December. On December 9th Country Classics will be here to entertain us all, on December 16th Texas Touch will be joining us to play all your country favorites, on December 23rd there will be no dance held and again on December 30th there will also be no dance due to the holidays. On Saturday, December 31st, New Year's Eve, Muddy Creek will join us to help bring in the New Year (admission to this dance is \$5.00 per person).

The Grande Ole Oplin invites everyone out each Friday night from 7:30 p.m. until 10:30 p.m. for an evening of dancing and good music. Admission to our dances is still only \$4.00 per person. The Grande Ole Oplin is located at the intersection of F.M. 604 S. and F.M. 2926. Remember that all of our functions are alcohol and smoke free. Everyone is invited to bring a snack to be shared by all during the band's break.

So gather the family and all your friends and come on out to the Grande Ole Oplin and don't forget to wear your dancing boots.

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MA2 MARK COWAN
REENLISTS
JULY 18TH, 2005

Local Lady's Grandson Visited Recently

Petty Officer 2nd Class, Master at Arms (E5) Mark K. Cowan visited his grandmother, Helen Cowan, his aunt, Cindy Cowan, and Christiana and Tommy Burrhus, of Cross Plains, for about two weeks during the month of October. Helen had his vehicle stored in her garage and he also came to pick it up. Mark has been stationed at

Yokosuka Naval Base, Japan with the Military Police. His grandmother is thankful that he is now serving at Corpus Christi Naval Air Station right here in Texas.

Having already served 4 years with the Navy, he has recently reenlisted for six more years. Mark's family enjoyed his time with them.

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