

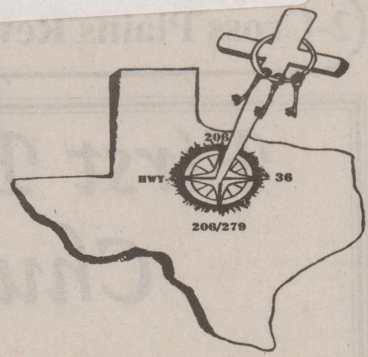
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EDITOR'S NOTE:

Have you ever questioned, "Who am I in Christ?"

Many of us have a difficult time accepting and understanding who we are in Christ because we feel so inferior, etc. If you have any doubts about where you stand, please read the following verses that verify each fact.

I've made it a habit to read this list every morning before I start typing just to remind myself. A caring friend, Deborah Lowitzer, went to the trouble of laminating the list and handed it to me with the request that I read it daily. This is the same person who once asked me to read the book *Why Do I Feel Like a Worm When I'm Supposed to be a Butterfly?* Now with a title like that, you have to have faith in your friend. That particular little book helped change my life. If you can find this obscure little publication, you can benefit from reading it, too.

You may need the same kind of encouragement and re-enforcements as I do, so here is confirmation: **Vanda Anderson**

Who Am I in Christ?

I am Accepted...

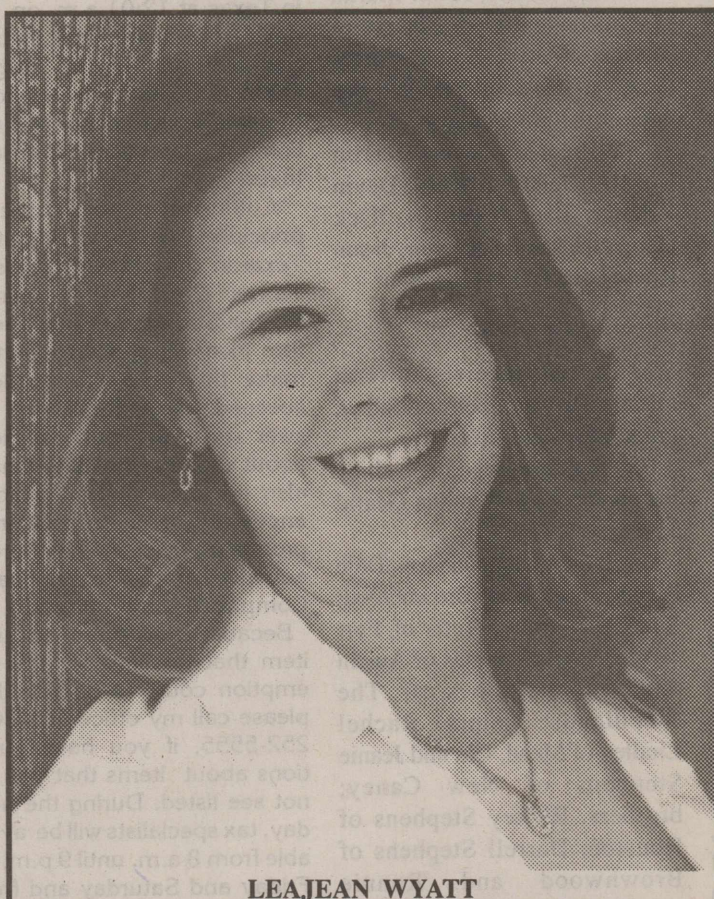
- *I am God's child. John 1:12
- *I am Christ's friend. John 15:15
- *I have been justified. Rom. 5:1
- *I am united with the Lord (one spirit) 1 Cor. 6:17
- *I am bought with a price, I belong to God. 1 Cor. 6:19-20
- *I am a member of Christ's body. 1 Cor. 12:2
- *I am a saint. Eph. 1:1
- *I have been adopted as God's child. Eph. 1:5
- *I have access to God through the Holy Spirit. Eph. 2:18
- *I have been redeemed and forgiven. Col. 1:14
- *I am complete in Christ. Col. 2:10

I am Secure...

- *I am free forever from condemnation. Rom. 8:1-2
- *I am assured all things work together for good to those who love God. Rom. 8:28
- *I am free from any charge against me. Rom. 8:31-34
- *I cannot be separated from the love of God. Rom. 8:35-39
- *I am established, anointed, and sealed by God. 2 Cor. 1:21-22
- *I am hidden with Christ in God. Col. 3:3
- *I am confident that the good work God has begun in me will be perfected. Phil. 1:6
- *I am a citizen of heaven. Phil. 3:20
- *I have not been given a spirit of fear, but of power, love and a sound mind. 2 Tim. 1:7
- *I can find grace and mercy in time of need. Heb. 4:16
- *I am born of God, and the evil one cannot touch me. 1 John 5:18

I am Significant...

- *I am the salt and light of the earth. Matt. 5:13-14
- *I am branch of the true vine, a channel of His life. John 15:1
- *I have been chosen and appointed to bear fruit. John 15:16
- *I am a personal witness of Christ. Acts 1:8
- *I am God's temple. 1 Cor. 3:16
- *I am a minister of reconciliation for God. 2 Cor. 5:17-21
- *I am God's co-worker. 2 Cor. 6:1
- *I am sealed with Christ in the heavenly realm. Eph. 2:6
- *I am God's workmanship. Eph. 2:10
- *I may approach God with freedom and confidence. Eph. 3:1
- *I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me. Phil. 4:13



LEAJEAN WYATT

Wyatt Honored by her Students

LeaJean Wyatt, formerly of Cross Plains, has been honored in her first year of teaching, by being named TEXAS CITY HIGH SCHOOL'S FAVORITE FEMALE TEACHER 2005-2006.

LeaJean teaches Biology in Texas City High School. Texas City is a 4A high school having 1500 plus students enrolled. The students participating in any athletic program at the high school are allowed to vote for their favorite male and favorite female teacher. The student's choice of LeaJean was announced at the end of the current school year.

LeaJean is a 1999 graduate of Cross Plains High School. She attended and graduated from Texas A & M University with a major in Maritime Studies, a

minor in Biology and English and received her teaching certificate. LeaJean began her teaching career in August of 2005. Her personal goal was to become close to her students and support them not only in their studies but in their athletic activities as well. To encourage them she asked each student to give her their athletic schedule....they were quite surprised and thrilled to see her at their events cheering them on. She has accepted the position of Texas City High School's Girls Basketball Coach for 2006-2007 and will again be teaching high school Biology.

LeaJean is the daughter of Tony Wyatt of Cross Plains and the late Terry Jane McWilliams Wyatt. Her grandparents are Joe and Jean McWilliams and Betty Wyatt all of Cross Plains.



Veterans Memorial Update

Veteran's names are still arriving for the Cross Plains and Area Veterans Memorial. We currently have 1,300 names. Collection of names to be placed in alphabetical order for the granite monument is drawing to a close. Names may be added after the monument is completed for a added cost, names added later will not be in alphabetical order. Veteran's names will be placed into one of the following era's closest to the time served. Those times are as follows: War of 1812, Mexican War 1846-1848, Civil War 1861-65, Spanish American War 1898, WWI 1917-1918, WWII 1941-1945, Korea 1950-53, Vietnam 1960-75, Desert Storm 1991, Enduring Freedom Afghanistan 2001, Bosnia Operation Joint Forces, and Iraqi Freedom 2003 to present.

Names have been collected from Veterans, Family, Friends, Classmates and from caretakers of local cemeteries including Cross Plains, Burkett, Dressy, Pioneer, Cross Cut and Burnt

Branch. If you need to find out if your name or a name of a friend has been submitted call Audrey Purvis 254-725-6486 or Cindy Payne 254-725-6692. Forms can be picked up at Texas Heritage Bank or printed off at:

cross plains.com
barbarianfestival.com
or mail to:
Cross Plains Veterans Memorial
P.O. Box 711
Cross Plains, TX 76443

We ask that you please get the forms to us immediately. Special thanks to these recent contributors: Roy Wrinkle, Reggie and Suzi Pillans, Vanda Anderson, Hollis and Cherry Shults, Jr., Danny and Susan Maddox, Rondal Bell, Lucille Clark, Vickie Burkhalter, D.T. and Mary Crockett, Erwin and Donna Clark, Lennie and Martha Switzer, Glen and Peggy Winfrey, Billy Lee, Nola Van Pierce, Neil and Nona Belote, Richard and Linda Wilson and Cindy Brown.



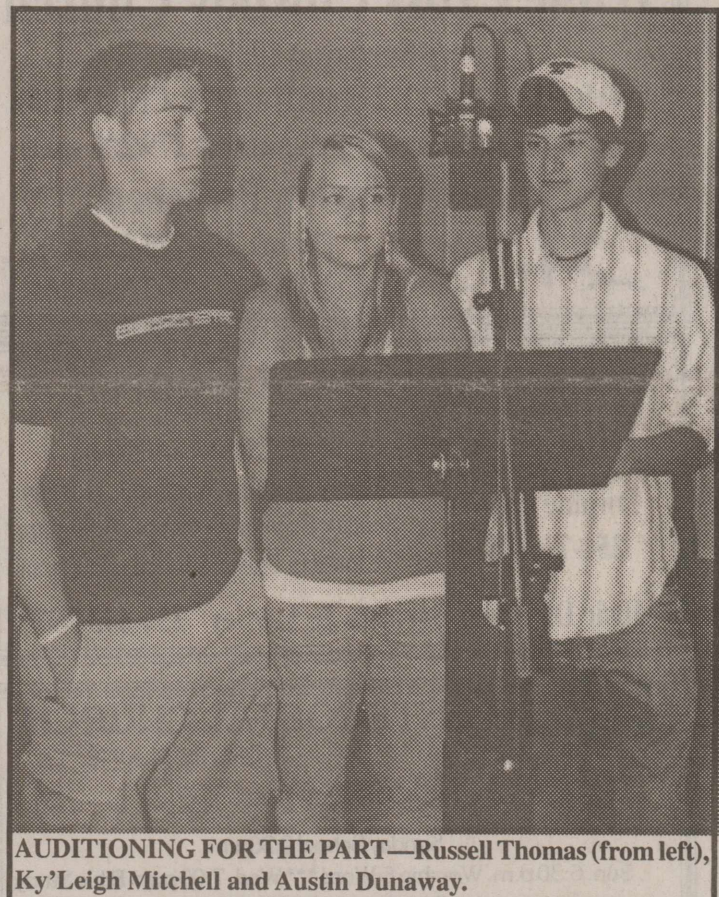
SON POWER CONFERENCE—Marla Childers (from left), Ky'Leigh Mitchell, Russell Thomas, Austin Dunaway, Jacquelyn French, Amanda Dunaway, Hailey Biggs, Tawni Nichols and Shayne Childers attended the Student Choir Conference in Austin.

First Baptist Church Youth Ensemble Takes Part in Son Power Conference

The youth ensemble of First Baptist Church attended an exciting Student Choir conference in Austin, Texas, June 25-30. Son Power is designed to bring in students from many different states for a week of singing, praise and worship, bible studies, missions service, and just plain fun.

The conference is established around a youth musical, written by Dennis and Nan Allen of Nashville, Tennessee, and culminates on the final day with a 5-6 hour recording session of the musical. The musical "Making History" will be published and sold to churches around the country — the greatest part of it all is that our students, along with all those that made the recording, will be heard on the demo CD that will accompany the musical. Also on the CD, will be the drama parts that coincide with the musical. Russell Thomas and Austin Dunaway, after auditioning with 45 other students, were selected to read two of the characters for the recording.

As well as attending this fantastic conference, the ensemble also had the opportunity to visit Sea World of San Antonio, and the Main Event



AUDITIONING FOR THE PART—Russell Thomas (from left), Ky'Leigh Mitchell and Austin Dunaway.

of Austin which consisted of rock wall climbing, bowling, laser tag, and lunar putt-putt golf (glow in the dark).

This trip was an incredible experience for these students, and we hope to embark on even more exciting trips in the future. If you

are interested in being a part of this group (anyone from any church is welcome), we meet each Sunday at 5 p.m. (We are taking a break for the summer and will resume on August 20th) For more information, contact Shayne Childers at 725-7629.

VALOR Begins Customer Notification of Transition to Wind Stream Communications

IRVING, TEXAS, July 5, 2006—VALOR Telecom has begun notifying customers through letters and bill inserts of the company's transition to Windstream Communications upon the close of the merger of VALOR Communications Group with Alltel's wireline business. VALOR announced the merger in December, which is expected to be completed this month.

VALOR is working to ensure a seamless integration of all operations and systems to Windstream Communications that will go into effect upon the merger close date. VALOR customers are advised that no action is required and they should continue to use the standard VALOR phone numbers located on their bill to contact Customer Service, Repair or local VALOR retail stores.

VALOR customers will receive a bill with both brands, VALOR and Windstream, from July through September. Local VALOR offices and vehicles will start changing to the new company's name and green and white colors this month. Print, broadcast, outdoor and online advertising will also publicize the change to the Windstream brand. Windstream Communications, which will be based in Little Rock, Ark., will serve more than 3.4 million customers in 16 states, making it the largest landline network focused on serving rural America.

Reminder!!

The Cross Plains Public Library will be closed July 20 through mid August for remodeling.

Don't forget to check out plenty of books before July 20th. (Books due during the closing will be automatically renewed.)

Submitted by Ginny Hoskins

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11 am & 6 pm Worship

Wednesday

6:30 pm Prayer/Worship

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OBITUARIES

Flora "Peggy" Koenig

Flora "Peggy" Koenig, age 92, passed away Wednesday, July 5, 2006 at the Canterbury Villa of Cisco Nursing Home. Funeral services were held at 2:30 p.m. Saturday, July 8, 2006 at the Higginbotham Chapel with Bob Pipes officiating; burial followed in the Cross Plains Cemetery.

She was born May 5, 1914 in Callahan County, Texas to James Matterson and Any Elvira (Odell) McMillan. She graduated from Cross Plains High School. She married Oscar Koenig February 23, 1932 in Coleman, Texas. They were blessed with two children, James O. and Ann. Peggy was a homemaker and a member of the Church of Christ of Cross Plains.

She was also an avid quilter, enjoyed crochet and learned cake decorating when she was in her

sixty's. Peggy enjoyed going to the Senior Citizens' Center and playing games with her friends until her health left her unable to get around very well. She will be greatly missed by many.

She was preceded in death by her parents, husband, four brothers, three sisters, son-in-law and four grandchildren.

Survivors include her two children, James Oscar Koenig and wife Lucille of Cross Plains and Georgia Ann Jennings of La Porte; two sisters, Jewel Martin of Abilene and Opal Blakely of Tucson, AZ; six grandchildren; ten great-grandchildren; and one great-great-grandchild.

Pallbearers were Darron Koenig, Dennis Koenig, Devin Koenig, Bret Jennings, Rick Goodwin, Daniel Koenig, Jason Koenig and Caleb Goodwin.

Dale Wayne 'Shorty' Jones Sr.

Memorial services for Dale Wayne "Shorty" Jones Sr., 66, of Brownwood, were held at 11 a.m. Friday, July 7, 2006, at the Netherton Funeral Home Chapel with the Rev. R.J. Elkins officiating. Cremation followed under the direction of Netherton Funeral Home.

He passed away Monday morning, July 3, 2006 at his residence.

Dale was born August 9, 1939, in Cross Plains, Texas, the son of the late John W. and Coleen Jones.

He had been a resident of Brownwood for most of his life. He served during the Vietnam

War era and received several medals. He was a beloved father, grandfather and friend.

Dale was preceded in death by his parents and a brother, Gearld Jones.

Survivors include his son, Dale Wayne Jones Jr. of Brownwood;

daughters, Sonya Tetts of Fort Worth, Sheila Thomas of Austin and Andrea Jones of The Woodlands; sisters, Rachel Lindley of Mead, Ok. and Jeanie Stephens of New Caney; brothers, Rickey Stephens of Houston, Darrell Stephens of Brownwood and Ronnie Stephens of Brownwood; grandchildren, Chris Pryor, Savannah Tetts, and Trevor and Travis Johnson; and several nieces and nephews.

Cherry June Bowers

Cherry June Bowers of Red Rock, Texas died Thursday, June 22, 2006 at the age of 72. Services were held Sunday, June 25, at 2 p.m. at the Bastrop Church of Christ. Burial was in Mason, Texas in Gooch Cemetery on Monday, June 26th at 11:00 a.m.

Formally of Art and Brazoria, Texas, she was born in Cross Plains, Texas on July 26, 1933.

She was preceded in death by her beloved husband of 54 years, Jesse Foster Bowers, her parents, Anderson and Bobbie Woody, and a brother, Floyd Woody.

A faithful servant of God, she was a member of the Bastrop

Church of Christ. Her magnetic smile and positive attitude were always uplifting to everyone in her presence.

A loving mother of five sons, she leaves behind Ted Bowers and wife, Susan of Reed Rock, Gary Bowers and wife, Janice of Brazoria, Bobby Bowers and wife, Linda of Angleton, Dennis Bowers and wife, Nadia of Brazoria, Kim Bowers and wife, Kimberly of Lake Jackson; nine grandchildren, and two great-grandchildren. She is also survived by her brother, Buster Woody and wife, Elaine of Troy, and numerous other relatives and friends.

Sallie Pearl Woody

Sallie Pearl Woody, 88, passed away Sunday, July 2, 2006 in Wichita Falls, Texas. Funeral services were held Wednesday, July 5, 2006 at 2 p.m. at Elliott-Hamil Funeral Home Chapel of Memories, 542 Hickory in Abilene with Ed Coates officiating. Burial followed in Elmwood Memorial Park.

Sallie was born April 25, 1918 in Nimrod, Eastland County, Texas to W.H. and Martha Brooks. She married E.L. Woody on January 7, 1939 in Cisco, Texas. He preceded her in death on October 13, 1986. She was also preceded in death by her parents; her brothers, Noland and Odell Brooks, and sisters, Mary Ella Shirley and Amy Peterson. She was a member of Eastside Church of Christ in Graham. Mrs. Woody was also a member of the Daughters of the American Revolution, Chapter Teha Lanna

of Stephenville. She was a retired cosmetologist and sales representative, and an amateur artist.

Survivors include her daughters, Myrtle Willis and husband, Jim of Graham, Geneva Johnson and husband, Randy of Granite Shoals, and Barbara Johnson and husband, Tommy of Brady; sister, Ruth Stroud of Beaumont; eight grandchildren, Alisa Oswald of Abernathy, Sonia Oxford and husband, Jimmy of Decatur, Shelley Clark of Burkburnett, Lori Anderson and husband, Dennis of Georgetown, Vicki Barnett and husband, Kent of Graham, Ginger Chaffin and husband, David of Coppell, Eric Johnson and fiancée, Jamie of Burnett and Erin Johnson of Stephenville; 17 great-grandchildren; sisters-in-law, Dorothy Woody of Clyde, Nelda Wilcoxon and Minnie Woody of Abilene; and several nieces and nephews.

Robert E. McCool and Ryan G. Sims

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237 Market St. Baird, Texas 79504
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Pioneer Pentecostal Revival Meetings Temporarily Cancelled

The Pioneer Pentecostal Church Revival Meeting scheduled for July 14-15 has been cancelled.

Watch the Cross Plains Review for the next scheduled meeting featuring Prophets Michial Ratliff and Cary Stultz.

State sales tax holiday is August 4th-6th

This year's sales tax holiday for clothing and footwear begins in Texas at 12:01 a.m. on Friday, August 4th, and ends at midnight on Sunday, August 6th. The tax break is expected to save Texas consumers millions in state and local sales taxes.

"Cutting taxes is one of the ten principles that I have laid out for Texas in the 21st Century," said Texas Comptroller Carole Keeton Strayhorn. "I am therefore pleased to do my part to make this year's tax holiday succeed. I hope the list will answer most of your questions about the tax holiday. I have also enclosed a flyer, which I encourage you to post in a prominent place in your store in advance of the tax holiday," Comptroller Strayhorn said.

Because not every possible item that qualifies for the exemption could fit on the list, please call my office at 1-800-252-5555, if you have questions about items that you do not see listed. During the holiday, tax specialists will be available from 8 a.m. until 9 p.m. on Friday and Saturday and from 10 a.m. until 6 p.m. on Sunday.

Here are some highlights about the sales tax holiday:

The tax holiday will be held every year on the first Friday, Saturday, and Sunday of August. State and most local sales taxes will be waived. One city, Sunset Valley, opted out of the holiday, and the 1 1/2 percent tax will be due on qualifying items that are purchased in Sunset Valley this year. In future years, other cities, counties, and other local taxing entities will

have the choice of participating in the holiday or continuing to impose the tax.

Most clothing and footwear that is priced at less than \$100 will be exempt from sales taxes. Customers will receive the break on individual items, regardless of the amount they buy. For example, sales tax is not due if a customer buys six shirts that are each priced at under \$100. But, the full tax is due on a shirt if it is sold for \$110; the first \$99.99 cannot be exempted.

Clothing and footwear that are used primarily for athletic activities or for protective wear are not eligible for the exemption. Customers buying golf cleats and football pads, for instance, must pay sales taxes. However, the tax will be waived on athletic wear that is also used for participation in other non-athletic activities. For example, tennis shoes, baseball caps, and jogging suits are worn during everyday activities, too, and thus may be purchased tax free during the holiday.

Also excluded from the sales tax holiday are accessories, such as jewelry and watches; items that are carried rather than worn, including handbags, briefcases, and wallets; and clothing rentals, such as formal wear and costume rentals and repairs and alterations.

"I hope that you find this information helpful. Again, if you have questions about the sales tax holiday, please visit our website at www.window.state.tx.us, or call the Texas Comptroller toll free at 1-800-252-5555."

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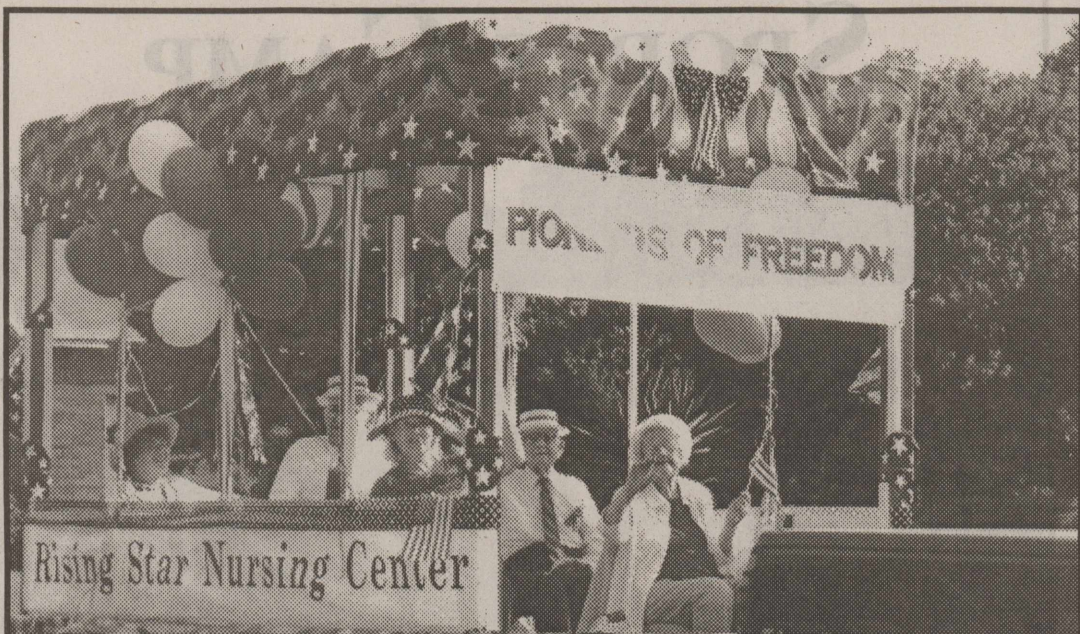
Thursday Jean's Feed Barn

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Church 254-725-7377 Cell 325-280-8480

RISING STAR NURSING NEWS

BY LINDA MERRITT



FABULOUS 4TH—Volley Joe Williams (second from left), Minta McCoy, Jimmielee Payne and Grace Jenkins rode on the float that the Rising Star Nursing Center had in the Rising Star 4th of July Parade.

We were proud to be a part of the festivities with our "Pioneers of Freedom" Float. Residents who rode on the float and represented the Center were: Grace Jenkins, Jimmielee Payne and Volley Joe Williams. Minta McCoy, Director of Nursing, was also on board.

Our compliments to Rising Star City Hall on the display of flags up and down the streets of Rising Star. They look very nice and patriotic. Makes you proud to be an American. God Bless Our Troops!

Several residents helped shell

black-eye peas this week. We would like to say a big "Thank You" to Don and Patsy Watson for the peas and cucumbers. Our appreciation to Margaret Clark, one of our good cooks, for the watermelon and to Johnnie Elliott, our administrator, for the fresh okra. The residents are sure enjoying it all.

Monday, July 17th, we will be having our residents' birthday party. Those with birthdays are: Lorene Jennings, Jake Landess, Virginia Payne and Sue Landess. Employees with birthdays are: Fredene Tension, Jessica Nieto,

Ginny Nieto, Lindsey Shuey, Cristin Butler and Linda Merritt. Bobby Jack McCowen from Cross Plains will be providing the entertainment. Family and friends are invited to come help us celebrate.

Our appreciation to Red and Sara Chamberlain for the shirt protectors, and to our special friend for the cute July buckets of red, white and blue flowers with flags and ribbons. God Bless You!

A bright outlook makes each moment a CELEBRATION!!!

COTTONWOOD NEWS

BY WALLACE BENNETT

Independence Day Celebration Plays Well

Thanks to everyone who attended the Cottonwood Community's celebration of Independence Day. There was a good crowd in attendance; Tracy Dillard's puppet show was very entertaining; Scott Childress' comparison of the national Declaration of Independence and Texas Declaration of Independence was impressively done and the Independence Day songs and readings with Gail Ransdell, Jacque Childress and Wendell Draper were absolutely fantastic. Hats off to everyone.

These are days that "try men's souls". And the American flag always means unity to me. I like the patriot father who said, "If we don't hang together we will all

hang separately?"

I'm always impressed with the sense of unity people show when they sing the patriotic songs of July 4th and sense that we are all in the same boat.

Key to the City of Forth Worth Retrieved by Garmond Parrish

Garmond Parrish showed me a "Key to the City of Ft. Worth" he retrieved from an antique store in California. He was quite surprised to see the relic of a "by gone-day" on a visit and purchased it from the store owner, who had no knowledge of where it came from.

After returning to Texas, he had written to the City of Ft. Worth and found out that Amon Carter, a former editor and publisher of the *Fort Worth Star*

Telegram, used to give the key to visiting dignitaries when they paid a visit to the city during his tenure as Mayor of Ft. Worth.

Hunkering Down in San Antonio

Don Brown of San Angelo sent a communication stating that he was intrigued by my article a few months back, explaining my pet peeve about "Hunkering Down". Evidently I have peeked a strange feeling in him and he has been looking for instances about hunkering down. He sent a photo illustrating what he was impressed about in San Angelo. I'll pursue the topic in a later column.

In the meantime, Carol and I are "hunkering down" in San Antonio. We came down for a Texas Rehabilitation Association (TRA) conference. This is not the first time I have had to Hunker Down here.

I first came to San Antonio on a Corp-trip as a "frog" at Texas A&M and was very culturally shocked by the strangeness of the city. I have been back many times; entering the Army twice; once as a 2nd Lt. in the U.S. Army and the second time as a Captain. I have been back so many times on business as a editor of the *United Methodist Reporter* and a member of TRA, that I have come to enjoy all this strangeness.

(To place a note about your personal experience or information about coming events in this community, please call Wallace Bennett at 254-725-7474 or e-mail csb5@airmail.net. Please remember, I can't write about it if I don't know about it.)

July 4th Celebration Winners Told

Two drawings were held at the Cottonwood Community's 4th of July Celebration. The floral string quilt, whose proceeds will be used for the upkeep of the Cottonwood Community Center, was won by Brandye Harris and Kelli Blain of Buffalo Gap. The book *Nubbins Ridge*, was won by Bill Woody of Fort Worth, and will benefit the Cottonwood Volunteer Fire Control.

The support of everyone who bought tickets was greatly appreciated by both organizations.

SENIOR CITIZENS MENU

JULY 17 - 21

MONDAY - Chicken & Dumplings, English Peas, Tossed Salad, Chocolate Cookie, Wheat Bread

TUESDAY - Pork Chops w/ Gravy, Whipped Potatoes, Carrots, Mixed Fruit, Roll

WEDNESDAY - Beef-Tomato-Macaroni, Cauliflower, Mixed Vegetables, Yellow Cake, Wheat Bread

THURSDAY - Teriyaki Chicken, Buttered Rice, Stir Fry Veggies, Lemon Pudding, Bread

FRIDAY - Beef Vegetable Soup, Pimento Cheese Sandwich, Applesauce, Sugar Cookie, Crackers

BURKETT NEWS

BY LOVERA STRICKLAND

Recent visitors in Lovera Strickland's home were Jackie Strickland, Staci Strickland, Deonna Moses of Somerville; Mark and Marsha Turney, Jon and Matt of Santa Anna; Katie Clark of Coleman; Shirley Strickland and Eddie Strickland. Caroline Sanders of Round Rock is visiting Lanette Burns and Richard and Linda Burns.

Deonna Moses, Staci and Lovera Strickland visited Jimmielee and Virginia Payne in Rising Star Saturday morning. Dana and Teresa Veteto and grandchildren, Bailey and Briley Wright and Polly Sexton were in Amarillo last weekend to attend two of Teresa's cousins' weddings. They returned home in time to attend the 4th of July festivities at Cross Plains. They would like to commend the Cross Plains people for the excellent effort they made to have fun things to do for all ages, and they had a very good fireworks show!

Linda Brady reports more donations received for the Burkett-Adams Cemeteries. Those contributing were: M/M Michal Shedy \$50; Gertie Teaff \$35; Mertie Brown \$15; F. Jean Slaughter (I/M of M/M J.A. Boyle) \$25; Thelma Ragland \$25; M/M Virgil Adams \$25; Rita Sojourner (Rita Colvin) \$100; Al and Jackie Godwin \$25; Kathleen Harvy \$25; Donna Richardson \$100; M/M Bennett Maples (I/M of Bee Maples and Hattie Maples) \$35; Lynda Edington, Howard, Debbie, Stephanie, Zack and Mandi Edington, Toni, Truett, Tyler and Tori Hart \$100; Melba Walker \$50; Gwen Manuel \$25; Helen Strickland \$10; Lanette Burns \$20; M/M Billy Pace \$100; Dumas Beeler \$25; Vernon and Hazel Trent \$20; Juanita Mills \$30; Liz Golson \$100; Ruby N. Neff \$30; J.T. Watson \$100; L.V. Byrd \$20; Peggy Golson (I/M of Leif Hunter) \$20; and Mark Williams \$25.

The Cemetery Board wishes to thank everyone for their donations for the upkeep of the Burkett-Adams Cemeteries.

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QUIPS, CLIPS & COMMENTS

KAY MOSLEY

Note: I had some coaching as I was preparing to write this column today. A former resident, who champions granddads everywhere, Ms. Paige Marie Wilson, my granddaughter, gave me some pointers as to subject, along with chapter and verse and a deadline to meet.

My granddaughter and my daughter are visiting here from Lubbock. We are having a BLAST! These sunny days are coming and going. The other afternoon we were open for business. Business? Yeah, at the bottom of our driveway, near the street, the cutest, sweetest little

granddaughter and entrepreneur had a lemonade stand. She worked hard all afternoon and about 4:30 p.m. she came in and said, "Grandma, I haven't sold one cup of lemonade." Then back she went to run her business.

A little after 5 p.m. Marvin went outside to check on Paige and her stand of lemonade. Twenty minutes later in she came, all smiles and giggles. She said she was sold out. H-m-m-m-m, I asked who bought all of it? "Granddad!" she replied, as he walked in with a cup in each hand. She learned something, to start a new business invite your granddad to be the first customer!!!

Cross Plains Chamber of Commerce Banquet Scheduled for July 27th

The Cross Plains Chamber of Commerce will be hosting their annual banquet on Thursday, July 27, 2006 at 6:30 p.m. at the Cross Plains Community Center in Cross Plains.

Due to the devastating wildfire that occurred on December 27, 2005 we will be honoring several organizations that assisted the community in it's time of need. The banquet will be catered by Lemons Bar-B-Que of

Brownwood, Texas, and the menu includes beef and chicken combination plate, tea and cake for dessert. The Cross Plains Chamber of Commerce would like to take this opportunity to invite you to attend the banquet. Tickets can be purchased for \$10.00 at the Chamber office. The deadline to purchase your ticket is Monday, July 24, 2006 at Noon.

For information or to purchase your tickets is 254-725-7251.

Love Fund for Buck Brown Remains Open at Texas Heritage Bank

Roland "Buck" Brown remains in the Intensive Care Unit at Abilene Regional Medical Center. His condition has deteriorated since last week and your prayers are requested on his behalf. Joan continues to

drive to Abilene to see him daily. Your financial assistance would be appreciated by his family during this difficult time. Donations will be accepted at the Texas Heritage Bank, P.O. Box 699, Cross Plains, Texas 76443.

Cross Cut Reunion Slated for Sunday, July 16th

The annual Cross Cut Reunion will be held Sunday, July 16, at the Cross Plains Community Center. All Alumni, friends and family are invited to attend as we enjoy a covered dish luncheon and silent auction followed by the brief annual business meeting of the Cross Cut Cemetery Association.

Lunch is at noon but the doors will open at 9 a.m. for those wanting to drop off their covered dishes and/or items for the silent auction.

Please call Maxine Kellar at (325) 624-5585 for more information or to be placed on the mailing list.



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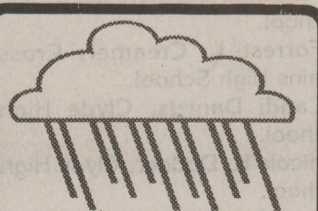
In Tuesday's comic strip, "Frank and Ernest," Frank tells another man sitting on the park bench with them, "Ernie's a procrastinator who lives life to the fullest—he lives each day as if it's his next-to-last!"

I'm afraid that not enough of us, consistently enough, heed what James says about "tomorrow" (James 4:13-15). Tomorrow, like our life, is like "a vapor that appears for a little time and then vanishes away." The inspired writer of Hebrews reminds us that we each have an appointment with death, then judgment (Hebrews 9:27). Couple those together and we must conclude that we should live today like it could be our last, not our next-to-last.

When Paul "preached" to Governor Felix about "righteousness, self-control and the judgment to come," Felix was afraid—but he answered, "Go away for now; when I have a convenient time I will call for you" (Acts 24:25). When? Day-after-tomorrow? "Day-after-tomorrow" and "next-to-last" is Satan's deception—there is no such, only today...

I encourage you to join me in treating today like our last. Come share in periods of life-changing Bible study and worship with us. We really do care about you, too!

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GREAT July 4th Celebration



YUM! YUM! — Reagan Nichols, daughter of Darby and Shannon Nichols, enjoys eating her watermelon at the Cross Plains July 4th Annual Picnic.



GREAT ENTERTAINMENT—Tawni Nichols (from left), Jacquelyn French and Shayne Childers were among the awesome singing provided during the picnic.

By Vanda Anderson
Editor

Area residents enjoyed the 4th of July Celebration at the Treadway Park hosted by the City of Cross Plains. Every year the event gets bigger and better.

Free hotdogs, watermelon, drinks and homemade ice cream were served. Shane Childers coordinated the musical entertainment and it was great.

Some people played dominoes while others played volleyball. The little ones ran around with their red and blue star headsets lit up while everyone fellowshipped.

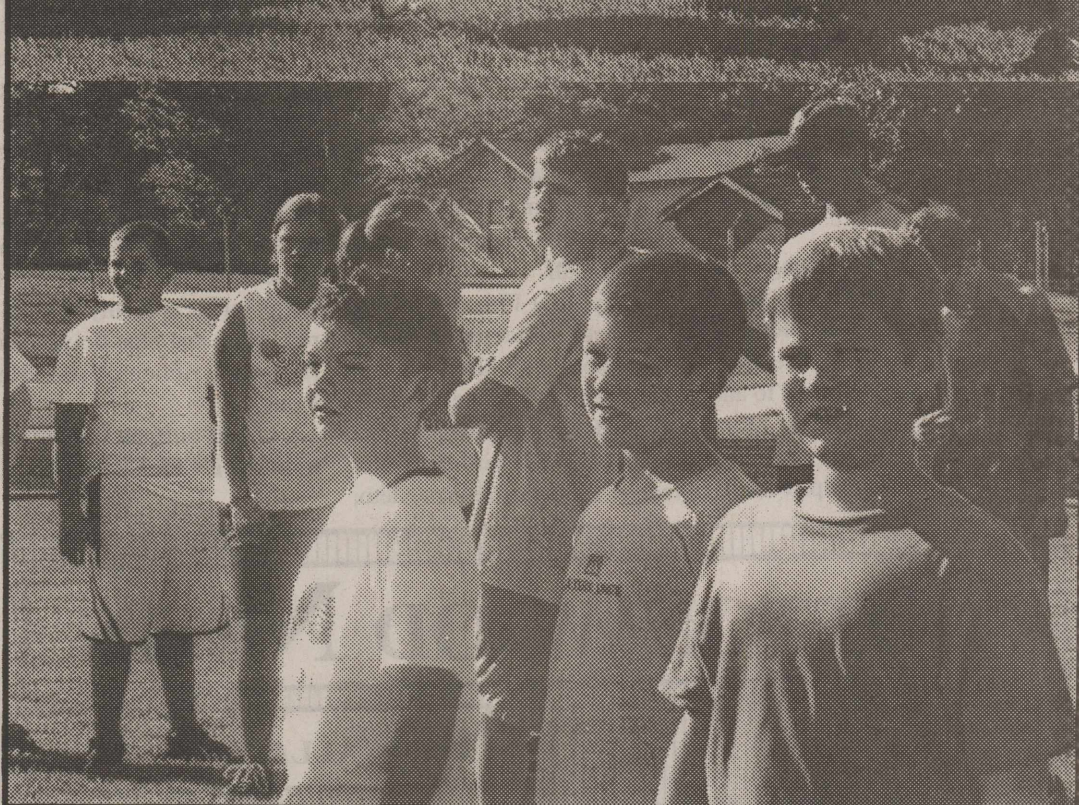
Country and western music was played while everyone waited for the fireworks to begin. When the display started, the National Anthem followed by patriotic

songs were played throughout. Shane Childers and Dana Hall added this extra flair to the evening.

The fireworks were outstanding—continuous and exciting. Folks come from surrounding communities to see the colorful exhibition.

Way to go City of Cross Plains and Employees!!!!!!

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SCHOOL BOARD MEETING

A called meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Cross Plains Independent School District will be held on July 11, 2006, beginning at 6:00 p.m. in the High School Administrative Board Room. The subjects to be discussed or considered or upon which any formal action may be taken are as follows:

1. Open Meeting
2. Prayer
3. Executive Session
 1. Discuss Kent Smith Resignation
 2. Discuss Kim Cassidy Resignation
 3. Discuss Hiring New Employees
 4. Other Personnel Business
 4. Take action on executive session issues

5. Adjourn
If, during the course of the meeting, any discussion of any item on the agenda should be held in a closed meeting, the Board will convene in such closed meeting in accordance with the Open Meetings Act, Chapter 551, Government Code. Before any such meeting is convened, the presiding officer will publicly identify the section or sections of the Act authorizing the closed meeting. All final votes, actions, or decisions will be taken in open meeting.

This notice was posted in compliance with the Open Meetings Act on July 7, 2006, at 11:00 a.m.

Jackie Tennison
For the Board of Trustees

10 from Callahan County named to National Honor Roll

LYNBROOK, N.Y.—10 students from Callahan County have qualified for induction into the 2005/2006 National Honor Roll.

The National Honor Roll recognizes high-achieving high school and middle school students. "Young people like our inductees, who work hard to attain academic success, deserve to be congratulated," says Lynn Romeo, Publisher of the National Honor Roll. "Honoring their achievements provides motivation and encourages them to continue striving. We're proud to include them in the National Honor Roll."

The National Honor Roll offers several benefits which can contribute to the success of its student members. For students in the 2005/2006 school year, National Honor Roll set aside \$25,000 to be shared among 25 of its qualifying inductees. All members were entitled to compete for one of these National Honor Roll Awards For Academic Achievement, which will be awarded in December. National Honor Roll's College Admissions Notification Service notifies the admissions offices of as many schools as the inductees designate that they have been accepted into the National Honor Roll and that they are interested in obtaining information about those colleges. (A copy of the student's biography is sent to the colleges along with the notification.) Each United States Senator and state governor receives a complimentary copy of the National Honor Roll Commemorative Edition, along with a list of the students from their state who have been inducted into the National Honor Roll. Additional complimentary copies of the book are sent to selected school libraries across

the country.

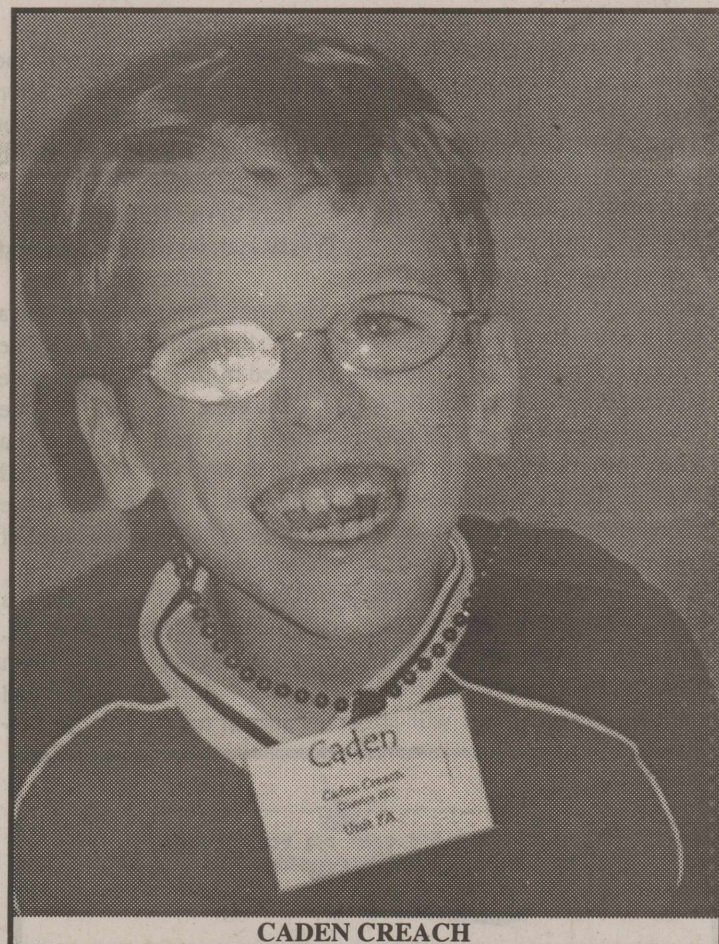
The National Honor Roll contacts potentially qualifying students after reviewing information about their academic performance. Each student is asked to submit information about his/her GPA, interests, activities, and future goals. Only students with a B or better average are eligible to be listed in National Honor Roll. 67% of the inductees in the 2005/2006 National Honor Roll averaged an A- or better; 33% averaged B through B+. 31% were Seniors (Class of 2006); 29% Juniors (Class of 2007); 21% Sophomores (Class of 2008); 15% Freshmen (Class of 2009); and 4% were from the Class of 2010.

This list includes students selected for membership in National Honor Roll's Fine Arts and Humanities, a unit of National Honor Roll which recognizes students with an interest in fine arts and humanities.

For more information, visit www.nationalhonorroll.org.

Those Callahan County students named to the honor roll include:

- Megan L. Betcher, Baird High School.
- Forrest L. Creamer, Cross Plains High School.
- Candi Daniels, Clyde High School.
- Nicole K. Dodder, Clyde High School.
- Jennifer Garcia, Clyde High School.
- Charles R. Jones, Clyde High School.
- Melissa Martin, Clyde High School.
- Chris A. Noice, Clyde High School.
- Katy O'Shields, Eula High School.
- Jonathan Tibbit, Clyde High School.



CADEN CREACH

Free Summer Camp given for Children with Physical Disabilities and Diabetes

Thanks to the Lions Clubs of Texas, many children with physical disabilities can look forward to an experience that all children dream about - going to summer camp! The Texas Lions Camp in Kerrville offers special camping programs that serve children who have physical disabilities and type 1 diabetes.

This summer, Caden Creach of Cross Plains attended the Texas Lions Camp in Kerrville. Caden was sponsored by Bruce Dolloff of the Eula Lions Club.

The Texas Lions Camp offers camping sessions to children ages seven through 16 who have visual, hearing, or physical disabilities. The camp offers a wide variety of activities for camper's enjoyment, including arts & crafts, field sports, riding horses, swimming, theater, and camping out overnight. The camp is a nonprofit organization, funded by the Lions of Texas and private donations. Children attend the camp at no cost to themselves or their families.

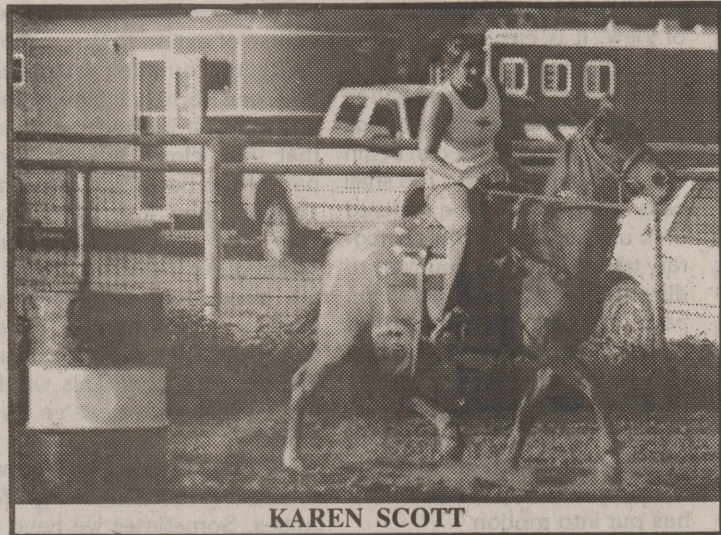
Further information and camper applications may be obtained by contacting a Lions Club member in your area or by contacting the Texas Lions Camp at P.O. Box 290247, Kerrville, Texas 78029-0247; V/TDD (830) 896-8500; fax: (830) 896-3666. The Texas Lions Camp can also be found on the World Wide Web at www.lionscamp.com.

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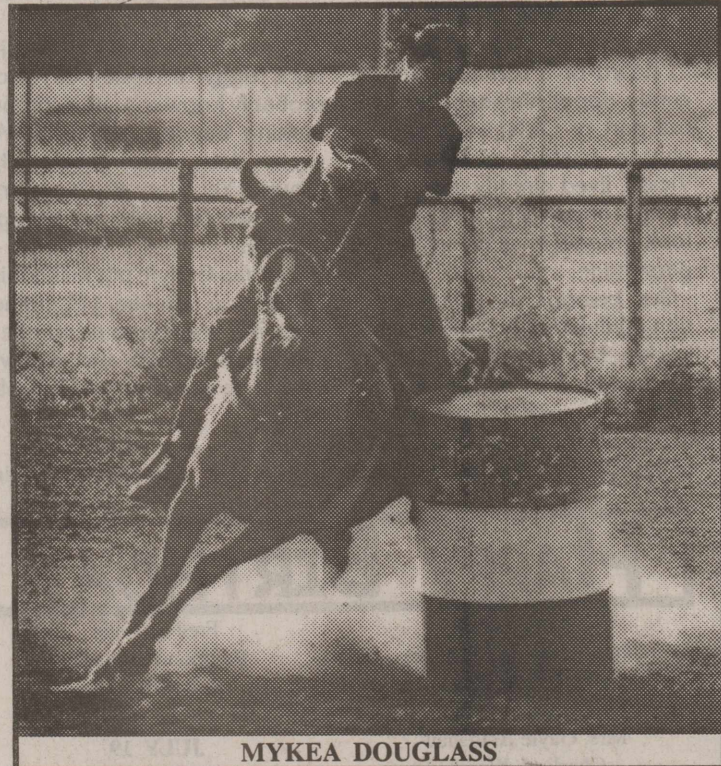
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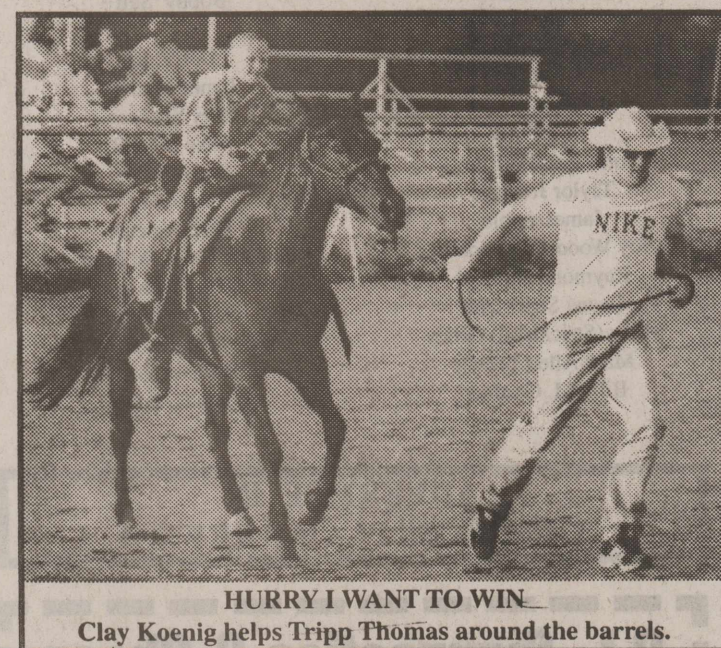


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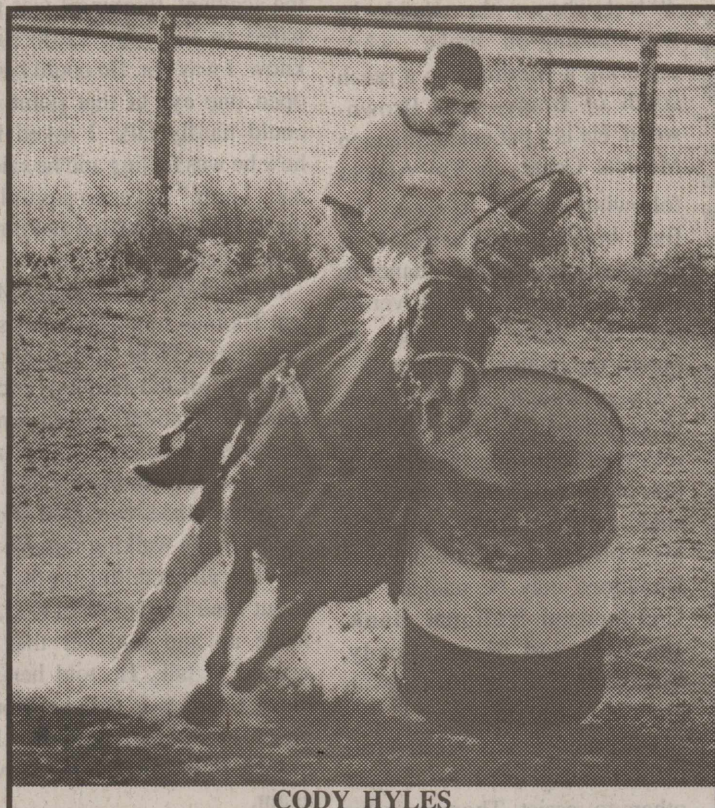
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Cody Hyles leads Dillon Wilson during his turn at the barrels.



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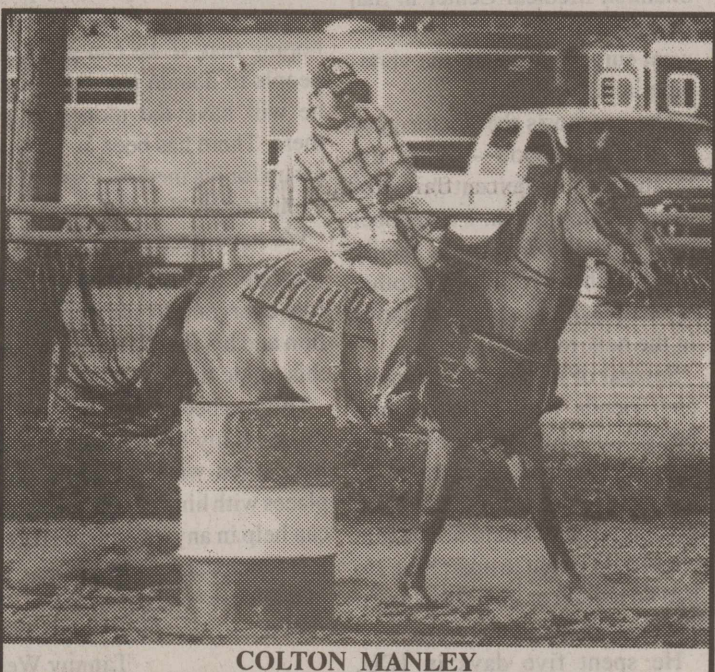
Clay Koenig helps Tripp Thomas around the barrels.



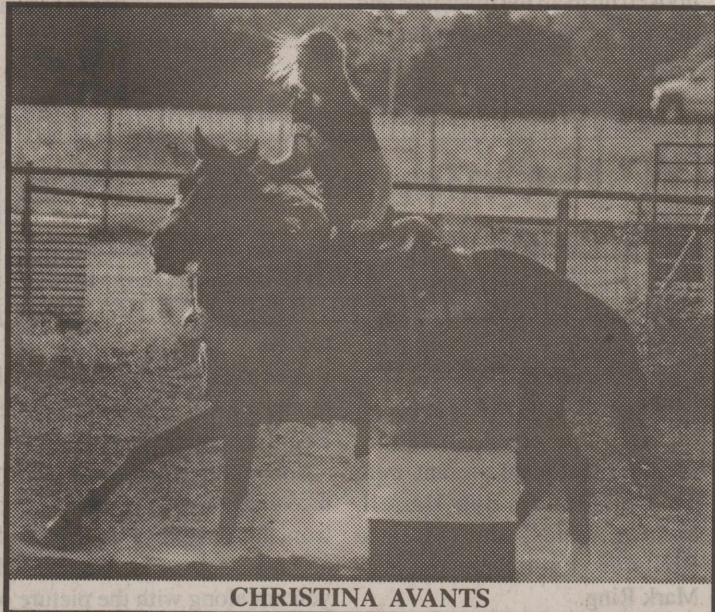
CODY HYLES



CLAY KOENIG



COLTON MANLEY



CHRISTINA AVANTS

The Cross Plains Varsity Cheerleaders have finished up the last of their Open Barrel races at the Cross Plains Roping Club arena. There was a great turnout from the community and of riders.

Of course there was the challenge that the Varsity Cheerleaders had issued to the football players in the Newspaper: The football players had a good number show up to compete and several there to support and cheer for them. The cheerleaders had a

couple of girls who were not there so they had to recruit one - they selected Jatou Wootton to help them out. The cheerleaders went first and came in with a total time of 2 minutes and 33 seconds. The football players went next, with everyone having very consistent runs and even some side entertainment. It was a close call but then the football players heard, "Boys - the cheerleaders first practice is August 7th at 9am." From the announcer stand and how the Cross Plains

Football Players learned their fate. The Cross Plains Varsity Cheerleaders and Mascot had beaten them by only 30 seconds. The prize - the football boys have to bring the girls popsicles to their first cheerleading practice this year. It was great fun.

The cheerleaders would like to thank The Cross Plains Roping Club for the use of the arena and everyone who helped us in so many ways. The barrel races would not have gone as smoothly without you. We were able to pass

the fundraising goal we had set for ourselves. We appreciate your support and help. Please continue to show that support for the Cross Plains Buffaloes and us by attending the games throughout the year and cheering and encouraging the athletes. Stay tuned because we may have some surprises in store for you this season. Go Buffaloes!

Submitted by
The Cross Plains
Varsity Cheerleaders

Commissioners approve election judges, alternate judges and polling places

Callahan County Commissioners approved the appointment of election judges, alternate judges and polling places for the 2006-2007 election cycle.

The commissioners took the action Monday, July 10th during the commissioners' court regular monthly meeting held at the County Courthouse in Baird.

On a motion by Commissioner Harold Hicks and a second by Commissioner Doris Grider, the commissioners' court voted 5-0 to approve the appointments of election judges, alternates and polling places.

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Harold Hicks, Commissioner Precinct #2 Bryan Farmer, Commissioner Precinct #3 Tommy Holland, Commissioner Precinct #4 Doris Grider, County Treasurer Dianne Alexander, and County Clerk Jeanie Bohannon.

The minutes of the June 30, 2006 commissioners' court meeting were approved as presented.

There were no public comments received.

Robert and Thelma Jo Garlett met with the commissioners' court to discuss Penalty and Interest on Tax Account #R01296. Judge Corn explained the statuses do not give the commissioners' court the authority to dismiss Penalty & Interest charges. No action was taken.

Commissioner Farmer made a motion to adopt the Hazard Mitigation Action Plan. Commissioner Grider seconded and the motion carried with a 5-0 vote.

Judge Corn commended Callahan County Sheriff Eddie Curtis and his staff for being awarded the Certificate of Compliance from the Texas Commission of Jail Standards. A Letter of Appreciation will be sent to Sheriff Curtis from the commissioners' court.

Commissioner Holland made a motion to table the Landscape and Maintenance Agreement with Texas Department of Transportation and the Interlocal Maintenance Agreement with the City of Baird. Commissioner Farmer seconded and the motion carried with a 5-0 vote.

Commissioner Farmer made a motion to amend the Election Budget to the County Clerk's Budget. Commissioner Holland seconded and the motion carried with a 5-0 vote.

Commissioner Grider made a motion to pay all approved bills. Commissioner Hicks seconded and the motion carried with a 5-0 vote.

Commissioner Farmer made a motion to allow the Taylor County Community Supervision and Corrections Department to use the basement of the County Courthouse for meetings. Commissioner Holland seconded and the motion carried with a 5-0 vote.

Commissioner Hicks made a motion to adjourn the commissioners' court meeting at 10:20 a.m. Judge Corn seconded and the motion carried with a 5-0 vote.

Resolution adopting Hazard Mitigation Action Plan

Callahan County Resolution Adoption of the Hazard Mitigation Action Plan

WHEREAS, certain areas of Callahan County are subject to periodic flooding and other natural and man-caused hazards with the potential to cause harm to people and damages to property within the area, and

WHEREAS, Callahan County desires to prepare and mitigate for such circumstances; and

WHEREAS, under the Disaster Mitigation Act of 2000, the United States Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) requires that local jurisdictions have in place a FEMA-approved Hazard Mitigation Action Plan as a condition of receipt of certain future Federal mitigation funding after November 1, 2004; and

WHEREAS, to assist cities and counties in meeting this requirement, the West Central Texas Council of Governments, and its contractor, H2O Partners, Inc. of Austin, Texas, has initiated development of a multijurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan covering jurisdictions within the West Central Texas Council of Governments, including Callahan County;

NOW, therefore, be it resolved, that the Commissioners Court of Callahan County hereby

1. Adopts those portions of the

Plan entitled, "West Central Texas Council of Governments Creating a Disaster-Resistant Region in West Central Texas," 2004-2009, that pertain to Callahan County; and

2. Vests the Callahan County Judge with the responsibility, authority, and the means to:

(a) Inform all concerned parties of this action

(b) Develop an addendum to this Hazard Mitigation Plan if the County's unique situation warrants such an addendum.

3. Appoints the Callahan County Judge to assure that the Hazard Mitigation Plan be reviewed at least annually and that any needed adjustment to the County's addendum to the Hazard Mitigation Action Plan be developed and presented to the Commissioners Court for consideration.

4. Agrees to take such other official action as may be reasonably necessary to carry out the objectives of the Hazard Mitigation Action Plan.

Approved and Adopted by the Callahan County Commissioners Court, this 10th of July, 2006.

(s) Roger Corn
Callahan County Judge

(s) Jeanie Bohannon
Callahan County Clerk.

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MOM'S BAGGAGE

By SHERI BIGGERSTAFF

"About Me"

Location: Metroplex, Texas, United States

Christian wife of Perry, who works way too much; who I feel so blessed to have; and who I love to do for. Mom of three beautiful children: Little Professor Brenden, 8, recently diagnosed with Asperger's Syndrome; Jacob, 6, a social creature who loves to draw and loves animals; and Emma, the baby girl, with red hair like Brenden's and a squealing, laughing bundle of joy.

Our lives have so much baggage and baggage doesn't mean just the bad stuff either—baggage is life. When you travel you take your baggage. In your baggage you have daily necessities, a few indulgences and a few less wonderful things such as pantyhose for that formal event (I consider those a negative thing in life). I think life is full of the good, the bad and the ugly. This is my baggage.

Well, Duh!

Okay, so Jacob has always been my child with the personality that challenges me. When he was an infant he would lay on the floor screaming bloody murder, stop, look around to see if anyone was listening and then scream again. Once, our neighbor came over to tell me that my child was crying. I was in the front yard and he was in the living room. We had vaulted ceilings at that house and it echoed like mad!

He used to tell lies all the time. "Did you drink that milk?" "No, ma'am." He'd have milk all over his face. He is much better...either not telling lies or telling them well enough not to get caught.

Yesterday I asked him about some reading a question that was to be asked in class...keep in mind

he's in Kindergarten. Well, he and I are often not on the same page (I was tempted to put rarely on the same page) so he didn't clearly understand my question. So I asked him again, this time trying a different way of asking. He answered again, clearly still not understanding me. So, I tried one more time...I guess three strikes and I'm out. He said, "Well, duh!" And I kept on talking.

Um, my brain stopped listening at "Well, dud!" HE'S SIX YEARS OLD! He will not be talking to me in that manner at all! Eewwwwww, he's so lucky we were on school property and not at home when he said that. We had a nice "little chat" about how inappropriate that was (BTW, you could tell by the look on his face that he knew immediately after he said it that he probably shouldn't have said that).

I realize they'll learn lots of new things to say at school but pleeeeeease! I am not going to allow him to talk to me that way. Brenden has learned neat things at school, too. For instance, he called a friend an a-hole the other day. Mmmm, boy...gotta love the sweetness of elementary kids these days. But, as Steph would say, "It's all good!" Why is it all good? Well, it gives me the opportunity to point out what is and is not appropriate. What can and cannot be repeated and what is and is not punishable by mom's law.

Please God, help me to remember that they are unworldly children who are feeling their way along with their peers and it is my job to help them navigate the maze of appropriate and inappropriate in this world. That I, as their mom, am charged with listening, not judging and creating a relationship that will encourage them to seek me when they need to know — "appropriate or inappropriate".

Young Father in Need of Rehab Following a Traumatic Fall

Michael Thomas, 29, fell nearly 30 feet when the ladder he was standing on broke while repairing a windmill on a ranch south of Brady, near Brownwood. He is a patient at Shannon Medical Center in San Angelo following surgery to repair the five breaks in his neck. He is anxiously awaiting his chance to start rehab therapy, however he does not have insurance to pursue the required treatment.

The community of Brady was very generous to Cross Plains residents following the devastation of the wildfires. Please consider assisting this young man, his wife and 18 month-old son. Donations may be mailed to **Commercial National Bank, 105 East 2nd Street, Brady, Texas 76825**. Keep them in your prayers, also.

His sister, Tammy West, wrote the following letter to inspire others to assist Thomas in his endeavor to enter a rehabilitation center specializing in spinal cord injuries such as his. Donations may be made to the Commercial National Bank in Brady.

To Whom It May Concern:

On Monday, June 12, my brother's life drastically changed and I fear it may never be the same. While working on a windmill on a ranch outside of town, he fell nearly 30 feet when the attached ladder broke.

He broke his neck from C-2 to C-6, broke both his wrists and a few ribs, had a laceration to his head and a swollen black eye. He was flown by helicopter to Shannon Medical Center in San Angelo and immediately underwent surgery to repair the vertebrae in his neck.

The prognosis the doctor gave us was not good—giving my brother only a 2 percent chance of ever walking again. I remember the Chaplain being in the family room with us while my brother lay helpless and unable to move in the next room.

Several of my family members and friends went in to see him before surgery but came out of his room devastated and crushed by the way he looked. I declined to go in thinking I could not handle it and didn't want to upset him. He had no feeling or movement from the chest down at that time.

He spent five days in ICU, hooked up to all the machines and tubes coming out everywhere. I

made my first visit the day after the accident, thinking I was prepared to see him. Little did I know, I was not. He could barely open one eye at that point and could hardly talk. I asked him how he was feeling and he said to me, "I hurt." It was so painful for me to see him like that and not be able to help.

My brother's wife, Jenny Morgan Thomas, has been by his side since the accident. To her, this has been an all-too-familiar occurrence. She also suffered an almost identical spinal cord injury and was given a grim prognosis.

She has since recovered and is considered a walking miracle today. I recall her telling me that, on about their third night in ICU, he woke up and told her that he wanted to talk. He told her his biggest fear was that he would never be able to hold his 18-month-old son, Kelby, ever again.

I am so saddened by what has happened to him. He is now spending his time in room 450 and has started physical and occupational therapy. He has had some sensation and can also move his arms and shoulders. We are still praying for movement in his fingers, legs and feet.

His doctor has advised him that he needs to be in a rehabilitation facility that specializes in spinal cord injuries. He was accepted into Baylor Medical Center in Dallas earlier this week, but without any kind of insurance and rehab running \$2,000 per day, they are requiring that he pay \$30,000 up front.

We are at a desperate point and would gladly accept any help that can be given to him. We are hoping that, if we can get 3,000 people to donate just \$10 each, he will have the money to get there. There has been an account set up for his medical expenses at Commercial National Bank.

We have been relying a lot on our faith in God and would also like everyone to please pray for him and his family to get through this tragic time.

This has been one of the hardest things in my life to endure, and I have often wished I could trade places with him. Please, if anyone can help in anyway, please do so. It is much appreciated.

God bless.

Sincerely
Tammy West
Brady, Texas

Barb's Cues

By Barbara Holmes Worcester

Praise In Tough Situations

We should always have the attitude of praise and see certain situations from an elevated point of view. It is easy to get down and discouraged when problems come our way, but if we change our point of view and see things as God sees them, we can begin to understand that this too shall pass and peace will be restored unto us. Never allow the temporary trials that come your way to distract your focus or derail the path that God has planned for life. Be determined to go through that trial with a renewed vigor knowing that if you stay focused and have the attitude of praise, nothing by any means will be able to offset what God has put into motion.

GET SOME ALTITUDE

I heard of a tornado that recently ripped through the central part of Oklahoma. Guy, a church pastor, and his wife, Vickie, lived directly in the path of the oncoming storm. They took refuge in a closet in the parsonage.

Guy belongs to a denomination (United Methodist) which is known for moving its pastors frequently, and he was scheduled for a move to a new parish in June. Furthermore, as a church leader, he no doubt en-

countered any number of storms and conflicts among church members. But a tornado was something else entirely, and hiding in the closet seemed the best course of action for the couple.

After the tornado passed, they emerged from their hiding place and were astonished to discover that their closet was the only part of the house left standing! Though they lost everything, they had come through unscathed. As the couple stood in the middle of the debris that used to be their home, Vickie's first comment was: "Wow, Guy! This is wonderful! This will be the easiest move we've ever made!"

Here is a person who knows something about handling difficulties. Sometimes we have to look beyond a problem before we can move forward.

If you have ever flown in a jet on a foggy or cloudy day, you probably know something about looking beyond problems. All seems dark and dreary on the ground. Yet every day is a sunny day if we can only get enough altitude.

Thomas Carlyle put it like this: "What you can see, yet cannot see over, is as good as infinite." Get some altitude and you will be able to see beyond the problem!

By Steve Goodier

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There will be door prizes, raffle items and a catered lunch of bar-b-que beef, cooked sausage, cream potatoes, green beans, lettuce salad, rolls, peach cobbler,

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C.P. CEMETERY ASSOCIATION

By MELISSA RICHARDS

June 5, 2006

This was a quarterly meeting of the Cemetery Association. Member that were present were VonDell Bailey, Bob Harrell, Sandra Jones and Melissa Richards. Public present was Mark Ring.

Minutes of the previous meeting were approved as read.

Bob went over the prepared ground maintenance duty policy with Mark. Both Mark and Bob

signed the duty policy and each retained a copy as well as other Board members present.

Bob reported that the cemetery received two new American Flags from the Woodman of the World, and ask Melissa to send a thank you not along with the picture of the flags at the cemetery.

VonDell moved to adjourn and Sandra seconded it, and motion carried.

Meeting adjourned.

CROSS PLAINS CEMETERY ASSOCIATION REPORT FOR THE MONTH OF MAY 2006

Donations & Earnings	
I/M of Wanda Anderson by Dyke & Terry Rogers	\$ 100.00
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I/M of Joe Oglesby by M/M James Lawrence	25.00
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Earnings	.57
TOTAL	\$ 275.57
Grave Opening Permits	
Higginbothams GOP for Gene & Connie Brooks	\$ 150.00
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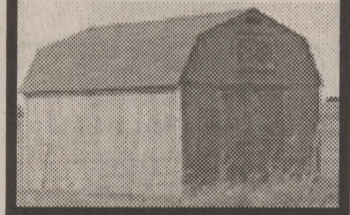
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96 F250, V8, Auto, Runs good (White)	\$2,500

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97 Aerostar 7Pass, V6, Looks, Runs very good (Lt. Blue)	\$2,750
97 Plymouth Voyager, V6, Looks, Runs good (White)	\$2,750
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90 Dodge Conversion Van, Rear/Seat/Bed, Auto, A good van	\$1,595
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89 Ford Aerostar, 7Pass, Auto, Looks, Runs very good (Red)	\$1,350
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95 F350 Power Stroke Diesel, 5spd, Dual rears, steal flat bed (White)	\$4,500
94 Ford Power Stroke, 5spd, Fair Condition	\$3,950
94 F350 Crew Cab Diesel, Auto (White)	\$4,250
97 F250 Power Stroke Super Cab, 5spd, A good one	\$6,250
94 F250 Turbo Diesel Super Cab, 5spd, Runs good, Rough body	\$3,500
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KALI PHILLIPS AND CHARLES ROGERS

Phillips-Rogers to Wed July 29, 2006

Mr. and Mrs. Allen Phillips of Cross Plains are pleased to announce the engagement and upcoming marriage of their daughter, Kali Larissa, to Charles Thomas Rogers of Cross Plains, son of Craig Rogers of Gorman and Carol Meador of Cross Plains.

Kali is a 2005 graduate of Cross Plains High School. She is the granddaughter of Glenda Phillips and the late Vernon Phillips of Cross Plains and Jerrye Carey and

the late Winford Carey of Potosi. Charlie is a 2002 graduate of Cross Plains High School. He is the grandson of Herman Weaver and the late Mary Weaver of Cottonwood and Mr. and Mrs. Robert Rogers of Buffalo, Texas.

Both currently reside in Cross Plains. The wedding ceremony will be July 29, 2006 at the Rising Star Church of Christ at 2:00 in the afternoon. All friends and family of the couple are invited.

Ladies Golf Scramble Slated at Eastland

The Eastland Lakeside Golf Course Ladies Association will be hosting their annual 18 hole 2 Lady Golf Scramble on Saturday, July 22. Tee off time is 9:00 a.m. The cost is \$55.00 per person, which includes cart, lunch and mulligans.

Generous cash prizes will be awarded in each flight and there will be door prizes galore!!!!

Come join the ladies on their beautiful redesigned 18 hole golf course! Call the clubhouse at 254-629-2892 for directions or more information. The course is located at 209 CR 157, Eastland.

Lori Hail on President's List at Hardin Simmons

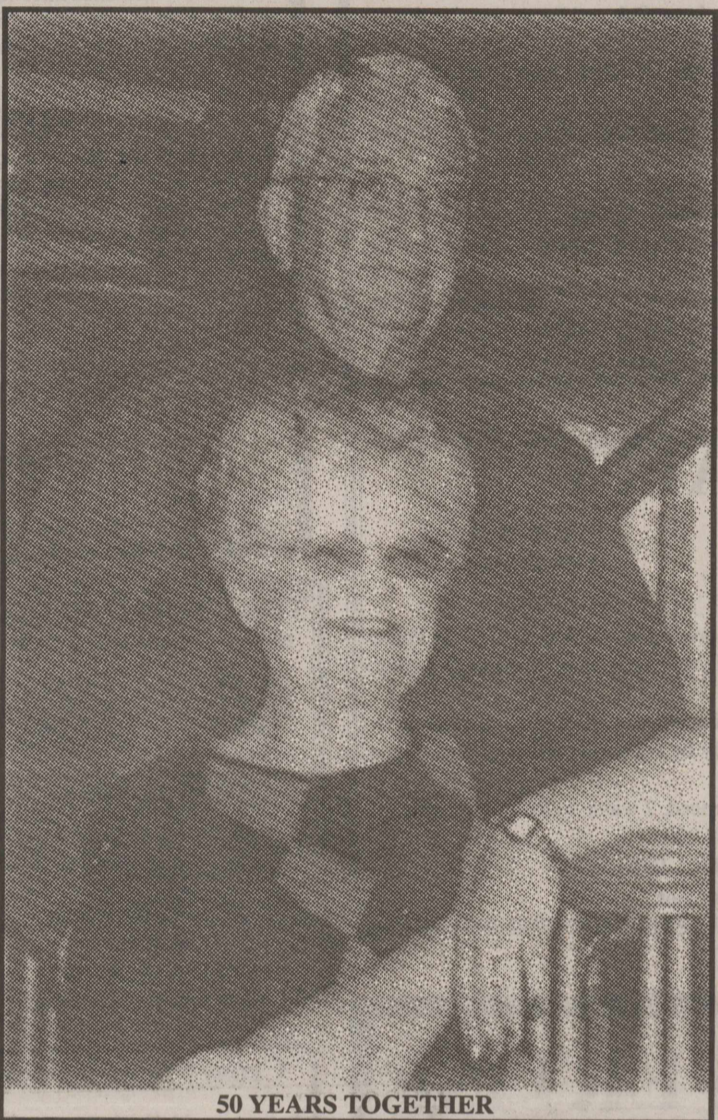
Lori Hail was named to the Hardin Simmons University President's List for the 2006 Spring Semester.

Lori currently carries a 4.0 GPA. She graduated from Cross

Plains High School as salutatorian of the Class of 2005. Lori is the daughter of Dianne Hail and the granddaughter of Noah and Bobbie Johnson, all of Cross Plains.



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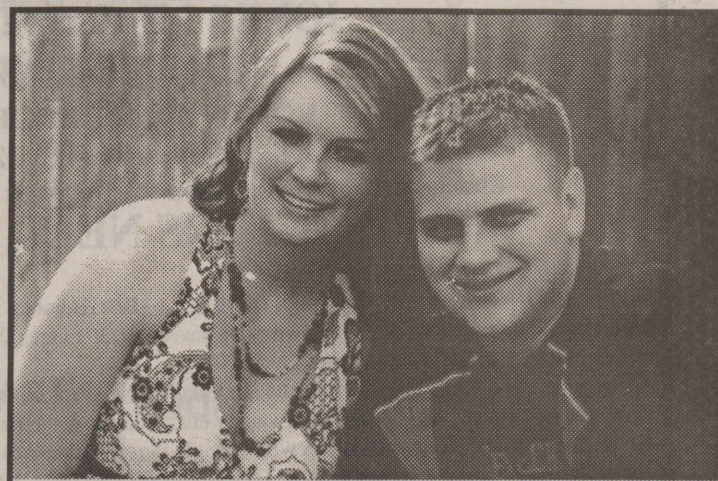
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JESSICA MICK AND CLINT BAILEY

Mick-Bailey Engagement and Wedding Plans Announced

Shirley Rollins of Sinton and Robby and Peggy Bailey of Cross Plains are pleased to announce the engagement and approaching wedding of their children, Jessica Ann Mick and Clinton Dean Bailey.

Jessica is a 2002 graduate of Lubbock, and will graduate from Texas Tech University with a degree in Human Science's in

August 2006.

Clinton is a 2000 graduate of Cross Plains, and will also graduate from Texas Tech University with a degree in Human Science's in August 2006.

They will join their lives together on the evening of Saturday, August 19, 2006 in Portland, Texas.

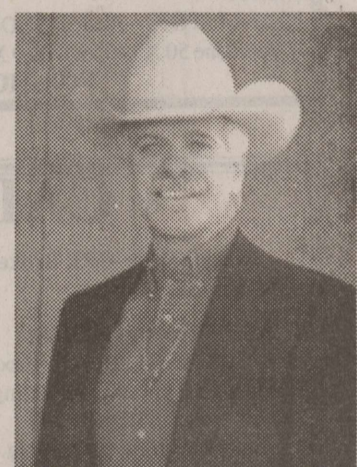
5th West Texas Rehab Family Picnic July 22nd

It's time for the 5th annual West Texas Family Picnic benefiting the West Texas Rehabilitation Center. On Saturday, July 22nd, at the Perini Ranch Steakhouse grounds in Buffalo Gap, a special kind of Texas Two Step will be offered...a double feature with legendary "Texas Music" artist Rusty Wier, backed by a band of great musicians, along with "Country Swing" master Jody Nix and the Texas Cowboys who will provide a memorable night of outdoor music and dancing.

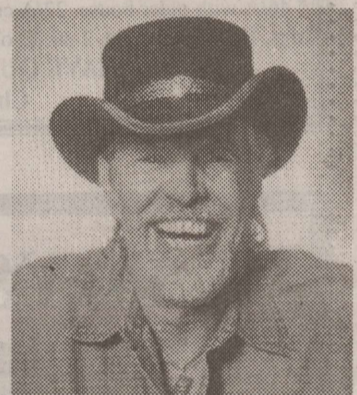
Rusty Wier, a Texas troubadour will engage you, charm you, make you think, and make you cry - but the "money-back guarantee" is...he will make you smile. From blues to rock'n roll and then gaining national prominence during the legendary "outlaw" era, Rusty has done it all. He has shared stages with the Charlie Daniels Band, Willie Nelson, Johnny Paycheck, Waylon Jennings, Jerry Jeff Walker, Ray Charles, plus many more. While Rusty's recordings have produced several charged singles, it was "Don't It Make You Wanna Dance" that earned him a Double Platinum album.

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On July 22nd, folks need to load up their picnic baskets or take advantage of an available food concession booth while enjoying a great night of music on the Perini Ranch Steakhouse grounds. For those wishing to



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RUSTY WIER

dine at the Steakhouse, reservations are suggested. Just don't forget your lawn chairs for the show. Gates opens at 6:00 p.m., with Rusty Wier starting at 7:00 and Jody Nix at 9:00. Adult tickets are \$15, kids 12 and under are free. Tickets are available in Abilene at the West Texas Rehabilitation Center, 4601 Hartford; Luskey's/Ryon's, 3402 Catclaw and the Perini Ranch Steakhouse, FM 89 in Buffalo Gap. Tickets will also be sold at the gate. Reserved tables for the event are available through Table Sponsorships. In case of rain, the Picnic will take place at the Camp Whispering Oaks grounds on FM 89 in the Buffalo Gap area.

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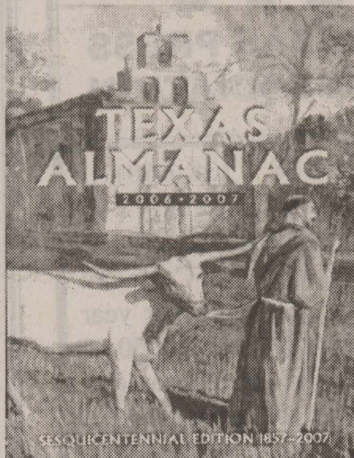
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IT'S A GIRL!



Brandon and Pam Smith of Stephenville are happy to announce the arrival of their daughter, **Jayci Mae Smith**.

Jayci was born Friday, June 16, 2006 in Harris Methodist Hospital in Stephenville. She weighed 7 pounds 1 ounce and was 19 inches long.

Jayci was welcomed home by her big brother, Zane, age 6 and big sister, Shyla, age 2. Maternal grandparents are Bob and Carolyn Morgan of Cross Plains and the late Benny Glover. Her maternal great-grandmother is Jewel Mae Barnett of Cross Plains. Paternal grandparents are James and Dora Warlick of Cross Plains and Kenneth and Cheryl Smith of Wichita Falls.

Paternal great-grandparents are Wright and Verna Price of Brownwood.