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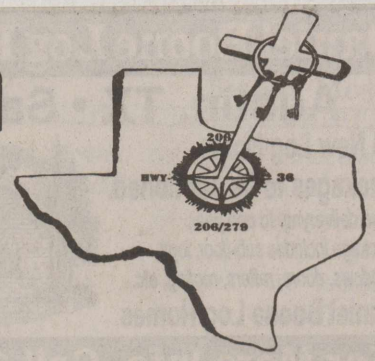
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Cross Plains Review

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THURSDAY, December 7, 2006



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NUMBER 38

DOWN
HOME

EDITOR'S NOTE: I don't know about you, but I can definitely relate the following research finding. I know all about "bad hair days"—don't you????

Personally, I am very hair conscious and don't mind experimenting. Some people say they never recognize me because they don't know what color hair I might have that day.

I recall the time it turned out pink and one time it looked punk rock, with tones of orange and black. Well, at least it wasn't October. I am always thankful if it all doesn't all fall out after several procedures.

If my hair doesn't look right, it changes the tone of the day. Usually, if you can't accomplish that "just right" style, that is the day you run into an old friend, etc. It's nice to know I am not the only one who takes this seriously.

You may be surprised what the experts found about the connection between bad hair days and your emotions.

"Does Hair Equal Bad Mood?"

By Jeanie Lerche Davis

We knew it was true, and now there's research to prove it. Bad hair equals a bad day. Whether our hair frizzes, poofs too high, or just plain looks plain, we tend to take it to heart.

"Bad hair days significantly affect self esteem," says Marianne LaFrance, Ph.D., professor of psychology and direction of the Gender Communications Laboratory at Yale University. "And it affects males just as much as it does females. We have those stereotypes...that women are more preoccupied with that kind of thing, but so are men."

LaFrance's cutting-edge study—the first of its kind—contributes to a lifetime of research into issues regarding appearance and gender. "There's substantial evidence that appearance matters in terms of people's self-conception," she says. "Specifically beginning in adolescence, girls place a huge priority on physical appearance, but it's not in a vacuum." Boys are a contributing factor, she adds. "They're also putting a huge priority on girls' physical appearance."

"People have standards of how they should look, and it includes everything from what they should weigh, what shape they should be, what clothes they should wear, what expressions they should have on their faces," she said. This study provides further evidence that "preoccupation with appearance" causes damage in many ways.

In a classic experiment she recruited 120 men and women, all Yale college undergraduates. They were told they were participating in consumer product research.

While the other students had to answer questions about product packaging, only those in her test group were asked about bad hair days. Each of the "bad hair" groups then got a checklist of 30 or 40 different descriptors of bad hair—a bad haircut, frizzy hair, out of control, damaged by chlorine, etc. They were interested in getting them into the state of mind of (having) a bad hair day.

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Vintage quilt reminds us of Christmas Days past.

Store Windows Come Alive in Cross Plains

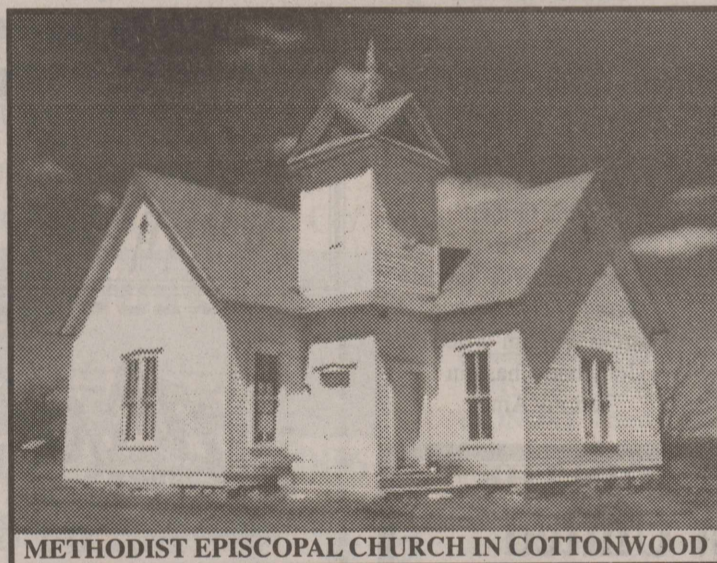
Teamwork was the name of the game last week as the windows at Higginbothams took on an enchanting "Christmasy" look. Project Pride sponsored the idea, Higginbothams provided electrical cords, tape, hammers, etc. and three wonderfully talented ladies donated their artistic expertise.

Susan Horton, Paulette Foster and Katrina Casby, assisted by Project Pride members, worked for several days to transform the windows into a holiday wonderland. Over the years, Project Pride has collected and constructed many decorations that have been used in a number of ways. Remember the Christmas Village in the balcony area of Higginbothams? Or all those beautiful white trees and

live rabbits in what is now Potter's woodworking business? And the year of the living windows, aided by the art department at school?

Some folks might even remember the annual decorations in the Thornton's Department Store in Abilene. The fascinating action figures, the train chugging around the windows, the beautiful trees and all those wonderful toys made for a traditional annual "must see" trip for many families. If you look closely at our windows, you can see some of those same old recycled decorations. The rabbit and the deer that no longer twist their heads and the doll in the rocking chair that no longer rocks are some of the treasures that have survived all these years.

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METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH IN COTTONWOOD

Cottonwood to give face lift to Old Methodist Episcopal Church

In the late 1800s, families would gather up their children, hitch the horse to the wagon and make the trip to Cottonwood for Sunday services at the Methodist Episcopal Church. Even though the pews are now silent, this grand old building has served as a landmark in the Cottonwood community for well over a hundred years.

Years of wear have taken their toll on the Old Methodist Church Building. The roof needs to be replaced, the building needs to be shored up, some of the wood siding needs to be replaced, and the entire

building needs painting. You can help preserve this wonderful old landmark! Your donation, whatever the amount, will help make the necessary repairs to the building.

Families, individuals, and businesses making a donation of \$100 or more will receive their family name or business name engraved on a plaque that will be displayed inside the Methodist Church. For more information, call 254-725-7369.

Donations can be mailed to the Cottonwood Historical Association, P.O. Box 704, Cross Plains, TX 76443.

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 13th. The children's letters will be forwarded directly to Old Saint Nick at the North Pole.

Watch for publication in the December 21st issue.

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



Santa Claus Comes to Town This Friday!! (Three In One Event)

The Annual Cross Plains Kiwanis Christmas Program is this Friday night, December 8. Santa anticipates meeting all the children and adults at the Senior Citizens Center as he arrives in Cross Plains on the fire truck (6 p.m.).

Every child present will be able to visit with Santa and have his/her picture taken with him. In addition to the visit and free photograph with Santa, each child will receive a sack of candy and one (1) number for drawings at the end of the program. (Additional photographs may be purchased for \$1 each.)

There will be drawings for twelve (12) turkeys and eight (8) gifts of \$25 cash each. Drawings

will begin immediately after the children are finished visiting and taking pictures with Santa.

There will be live and taped music to be enjoyed during the children's picture taking time. There is no general registration this year for the drawings so the only recipients will be the children (and those who purchase tickets for the stew supper fund-raiser). You must remain and be present in order to receive the prizes.

We are combining a STEW SUPPER Fund-Raiser with the Christmas program again this year. This is one of our annual fund-raisers each year to help with programs of our area, especially the children. We really

need your help in order to have enough to meet all the worthy requests and needs that come our way. **The stew supper begins at 5 p.m.** — \$5 for adults, \$3 for children 12 and under (very young children who eat from their parent's bowl are free).

The Senior Citizens' Cake-Walk Fund-Raiser will follow our stew supper and drawings for turkeys and cash prizes.

The Kiwanis Club encourages everyone to attend, participate and enjoy Santa's visit to Cross Plains. Come early and eat, stay afterwards and cake-walk! Remember, **THIS Friday night, December 8, beginning at 5 p.m.**

Submitted by
Bob Pipes

Historic Break with Tradition for Upcoming Prom

By Deborah Lowitzer
Special Writer

In an unprecedented move, the Cross Plains School Board moved to break with tradition and allow the Jr./Sr. Prom of 2007 to be held in Abilene, Texas.

In the special Called Meeting on November 28th, the vote was 5 to 2, with Kim Crockett making the motion and Susan Schaefer seconded it. Vickie Dillard, Burlie Taylor, and Vice President Jim Cook agreed, while President Scott Childress and Frankie Hyles voted against the proposal. Liability issues and fine-tuning of guidelines were not worked out at this meeting.

Surprisingly, far fewer students and parents actually showed up to have a say in the decision, than was anticipated. Letters were sent out and phone calls were made, and in the final tally of the parents who responded, **19 said No, 15 Did Not Care and 25 said Yes to Abilene.**

Those attending were: Josh Radle, Candice Rister, Jana Long, Tonya Walker, Rhonda Walker, Hailey Biggs, Charlotte Lee, Bonnie Dickson, Dennis Dickson, Karen Lenz, Susan Maxwell, Davis Estes, Roxie Thomas, Marty Calloway and Glenda Calloway.

"The kids raised the money and want to do something different," related Jim Cook. "This school is in a rut. I'd hate it if somebody got into an accident, but kids need to develop responsibility. Let's not punish kids who won't go and drink."

Taylor added that if kids drink on the way up, they wouldn't be allowed to get in. Tension elaborated, "If police catch them drinking, they will get arrested, it's out of our hands."

Hyles brought out that part of the fun of Prom is decorating and trying to out-do last year's bunch. One of the parents, Roxie Thomas, countered that this is a time to dress up and not just go to the gym, and that the kids want to try something different. Thomas also said that she had talked to people in similar size towns and they go to Abilene for Prom.

The question of parents being able to take pictures came up. Another mother, Charlotte Lee added that, "I don't think 60 sets of parents need to drive to Abilene to take pictures." Families can of course take pre-Prom pictures, and if they do not want to travel to Abilene, it was suggested that perhaps a photographer could be hired to cover the event. No cost was

discussed for that option. Transportation, the major issue, is still up in the air and will have to be worked out to everyone's satisfaction in the few months remaining before the big event. Some parents suggested that perhaps they could drive the kids themselves. It was reported that a limo costs \$200.00 the first hour and \$75.00 per hour thereafter. The idea of chartered buses was met with disdain.

If the Prom is held at the Grace Museum, there will be security guards on duty, as well as chaperones present. Tickets will be required to enter the gala and if someone leaves, they will not be allowed to re-enter.

The onus or burden of responsibility is directly on the Juniors and Seniors making this historic trip. All eyes will be on them, as their behavior and character will no doubt weigh in the balance, to foreshadow the possibility of future Proms being held in Abilene, or not.

Drinking, driving and any acts of irresponsibility will need to be non-existent as these teens are put to the test of maturity and honor. The theme for this Prom could very well be, "Dining, Dancing, but Please, No Drama!"

Senior Citizen Cake Walk

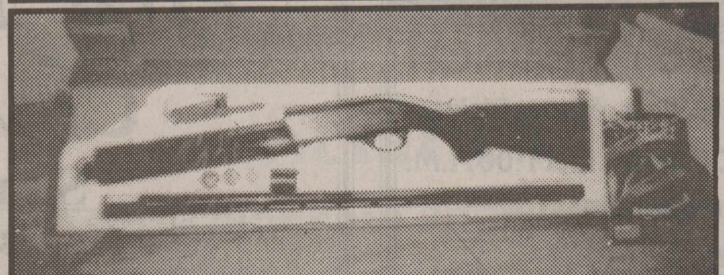
Friday, December 8

Immediately following Kiwanis Program

Baked Goods Are Needed!!

Anyone wishing to donate baked goods

may drop them off Friday from 9a.m. to 1 p.m.



WOULD YOU LIKE TO OWN ME?—The drawing for the Remington Semi-automatic 12 Gauge Shotgun will take place Friday, December 15th at Texas Heritage Bank, at 3:00 p.m.

The shotgun has three (3) chokes and has a \$675.00 value. Tickets are \$5.00 or six for \$25.00. You will be able to purchase tickets before the drawing on that Friday, or you may call Audrey Purvis at 254-725-6486 before that time.

All proceeds go to the American Legion Post 423 of Cross Plains.

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 Evening Worship.....6:00 PM
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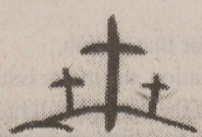
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Every Sunday at 10:30 am

Services held at 21272 State Hwy 279, Cross Plains
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Al Taylor, Preacher

Phone: 254-725-7522

Cell Phone: 325-370-6680

Pioneer Baptist Church

Pastor: Sunday School...10:00 am
 Dwaine Clower Sunday Morning Worship...11:00 am
 Sunday Evening Worship...6:00 p.m.
 254-725-7574 Wednesday Prayer Service...7:00 p.m.

Music Director: Barbara Jo Medley 254-643-1977

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 For Info: Call (254) 725-7418

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Sunday School.....9:45 A.M.
 Morning Worship.....11:00 A.M.
 Evening Service.....6:00 P.M.
 Wednesday Bible Study & Prayer Time.....7:00

Matt McGowen, Pastor (254) 725-4599
 Church (254) 725-6266

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Hwy. 36 at Rowden - 12 Miles West of Cross Plains

SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP.....11:00 A.M.

Pastor: Carl Mauldin

Come Worship With Us!

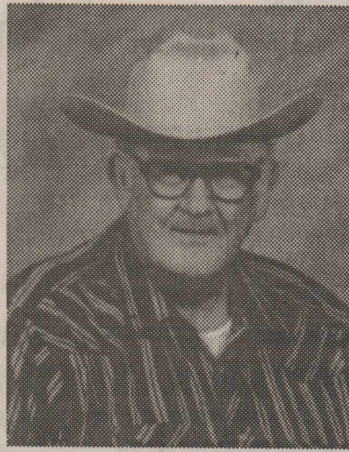
NIMROD BAPTIST CHURCH

Sunday School.....10:00 A.M.
 Sunday Morning Worship.....11:00 A.M.
 Sunday Evening Worship.....6:00 P.M.

Bill Armstrong - Pastor

OBITUARY

H.T. Peevy



H.T. Peevy, age 74, passed away Sunday, December 3, 2006 in Abilene, Texas. Funeral services were held at the Higginbotham Chapel at 2:00 p.m. Tuesday, December 5, 2006 with Bob Pipes officiating; burial followed in the Cottonwood Cemetery.

H.T. was born in Cottonwood, Texas to Hiram and Mary Bessie

(Champion) Peevy on March 19, 1932. He served in the U.S. Army during the Korean Conflict. He married Marie Remillard in Denton, Texas on January 29, 1957. He retired from Phillip-Driscall Pipe Company as a foreman. H.T. was a member of the Cross Plains Church of Christ.

He was preceded in death by his parents, three sisters and one brother.

Survivors include his wife, Marie Peevy of Cross Plains; daughters, Sharelynn Bell and husband Ron of Cross Plains, Suzanne Hogrell of Cross Plains, and Sandra Rusk and husband John of Meridian; son, Darrell Peevy and wife Kerry of Lake Brownwood; brother, Buel Peevy and wife Ruth of San Marcos; 17 grandchildren; and 5 great-grandchildren.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

DECEMBER 9

Mrs. J.D. Goble
 Bill Gunn
 Rhonda (Jackson) Hinten
 Bud McCorkle
 Gerald Holcomb
 Dalene Dillard
 Gaye Archer
 Dale Hunt
 John Ingram
 Bruce Region
 Mrs. A.H. Ringhoffer
 Tiffany Bush

DECEMBER 10

Kelli Sue Bennett
 Jimmy McCowen
 Debbie Edington
 Jessie (Foster) Raben
 Jimmy Gilmore
 Joe Dean Nunn
 Mickie (Archer) Holmans
 Wayne Newton
 James LeMay
 Sheri Lyn Bassett
 Dustin Meiron

DECEMBER 11

Tommy Cavanaugh Waggoner
 Jill (Richardson) Betts
 Pee Wee Pickett
 Stuart Sowell
 Peggy Purvis
 Mrs. C.B. Shelton
 Andrew Mark Young
 Kay Horan
 Noah Sealy Johnson
 Shirly (Freeman) Bassett
 Tammy Wolford

DECEMBER 12

Steve Franke
 Mrs. Vernon Falkner
 Reggie Pillans
 Michael Allen Johnson

DECEMBER 13

Stanley Rex Dickie
 Kathy Nigar
 Tony Bland
 David Browning
 Danny Hutton
 Wanetta Parson
 Mrs. Log Thompson
 Joe Everett Burkett
 Ken Horan
 Jeanie Gilland
 Dustin Anthony Morales
 Minnie Larkin

DECEMBER 14

Bobbie Jo Grissom
 Bobby Jack McCowen
 Calvin Champion
 Gene Thomas
 Sherry Ann Wilson
 J.T. Merry
 Robert Grissom
 Rosie Parker
 Mrs. Essie V. Alexander
 Mrs. Clovis Simons
 Micky Lapata
 Troy Harris

DECEMBER 15

Terry Brown
 Jessa Mae Reddick
 Carlton Newman
 Roy John Reddick
 Susanna DeBusk
 Linley Goble
 Janice Newman
 Billie Joe Shippard
 Alton Sheppard
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Church 254-725-7377 Cell 325-280-8480

First Baptist Church

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9:45 am Bible Study
 11 am & 6 pm Worship

Wednesday

6:30 pm Prayer/Worship

Ronnie B. White, Pastor
 (254) 725-7629

3rd & Main, Cross Plains, TX 76443

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Courthouse News

COUNTY COURTHOUSE
 Roger Corn, Presiding

42nd DISTRICT COURT
 John Weeks, presiding

Misdemeanor Filings

Leslie Jones, fail to report an accident and fail to present driver's license.

Misdemeanor Minutes

Michael Don Abels, motion to withdraw as surety granted.
 Moises Gonzales, plea of guilty to driving while intoxicated (DWI) - 1st, 30 days in jail, \$600 fine, \$331 court costs.

Joshua Lee Ellis, order amending conditions of probation.

Jimmy Neff, order discharging defendant from probation granted.

Frank Cerda, Jr., order discharging defendant from probation granted.

Marriage Licenses

Michael S. Lane and Annalina R. Salcedo, both of Clyde.

Civil Filings

Dalton Carl Smith and Rebecca Sue Smith, divorce.

Criminal Minutes

Teresa F. Smith, judgment revoking probation granted.
 Victor Deleon, Jr., judgment revoking probation granted.

Callahan County DPS Report

Calls received by the Callahan County Department of Public Safety from November 26, 2006 through December 2, 2006 include:

Cases Investigated

Warnings—100
 Complaints—58
 DUI-Minor—1

Vehicle Accidents

There were six vehicle accidents investigated during this time span.



Surely they'll get more than coal when Santa arrives.

Windows

In the "antique Christmas window" on the north end, you can see the Cross Plains community quilt that was made for a fundraising raffle in 1989-90. Be sure to spend some time looking at all those blocks that were handmade by numerous businesses, families and organizations.

All in all, the display is a

wonderful trip down memory lane. Families are encouraged to take their children for a leisurely stroll along the entire storefront. Be sure thank Higginbothams for their sense of cooperation in allowing Project Pride to decorate their windows and the decorating team for their wonderful contribution to the season.

Submitted by Arlene Stephenson



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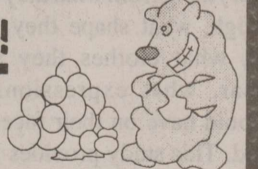
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COTTONWOOD NEWS

BY WALLACE BENNETT

New Roof For Old Methodist Episcopal Church, South

The old Methodist Episcopal Church South building in Cottonwood is finally getting a new roof. The old roof is beginning to leak and the new roof will prevent further deterioration of the building. Lyick-Hooks Roofing Company of Abilene is doing the work. (See photo.)

This old Methodist building, along with the old Post Office building, both owned by the Cottonwood Historical Association, are historically valuable property in Cottonwood and both add much to the ambience of the community. However, they do need funds to preserve the buildings. The Historical Association is accepting donations for that purpose. Donations may be made by contacting Herman Weaver, President of the Association or Beverly Brown, Vice President, or Beth Bogue, Secretary/Treasurer. The Cottonwood Cookbook is currently being prepared for to assist the finance raising efforts.

The recent cold weather has caused the cancellation of the Community Christmas party last Friday night. The Christmas Party



Working hard on the old Methodist Episcopal Church.

scheduled for last Friday night has been rescheduled for Saturday, December 9, 2006.

But, the cold has brought back memories of life in old Cottonwood when fires had to be built early in the morning in the school building or in the three Churches before anything, like learning, could take place.

Then the students would stand around one of the old wood stoves trying to keep warm and pay attention to the teacher at the same time. And if any of the boys had been skunk hunting the night before, he generally got to go home because his clothes "wreaked" of the smell of skunk.

This cold snap makes one want to "hunker down" by a good fire and read a book. The only problem is that gathering in wood has not changed any at all. One still has to have a wood pile and someone has to go out to that wood pile and carry it in.

Anyway, the holidays are upon us, so take it easy and hunker down in peace and good will.

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

LIBRARY NOTES

Statistics
Nov. 20-Dec. 1, 2006

Donations: Janet Swanson and Helen Groves

Donations-Books: Ann Beeler, Eddie and Carol Walt, Herman and Pat Smith, Leslie Lawrence, and Mr. and Mrs. Frank O'Banion

Library Activity Report
Nov. 20-Dec. 1, 2006

Patron	181
Lap	5
Lapsit	1
Other	175
Programs	120
Copies	226
Reference	5
Books Checked Out	108
Lap	20
Lapsit	4
Other	84
Calls In	10
Internet Users	27

QUIPS, CLIPS AND COMMENTS

By Kay Mosley

Comments: "Whatcha Gonna Do? Whatcha Gonna Do? Gonna Go Two Doors Down?"

"Two Down and One to Go!"

Two doors down—that's what comes into my mind every time I think of you on that long ago day when time seemed to stop and stay still for that morning.

I believe it's like a song in my heart: "I love you, dear heart, you're like a sign in my park." I lived on the same street just two doors down. In order to reach school each day, we walked through much of the section that covered downtown. Then we turned left two blocks and a half, and then two doors down was the very best milkshakes in town. And then from the school it was just two doors down.

There were scores of things to do, as a nice warm breeze lifted the leaves on the trees and

delicately white clouds with a smile on their faces bobbed around against the beautiful blue sky.

There were football games, bonfires, baseball and basketball games. Sometimes there were soccer, tennis and rugby games. I remember there were school sweethearts and warm dreamy songs.

Then through the years as time goes by, more and more doors tend to open and close.

After college we discover many doors and find ourselves on a much traveled road. There are many many pitfalls in this road and many doors to choose to enter or exit.

By and by, there is marriage, children, a career, a place of employment, family vacations, birthdays, holidays and celebrations.

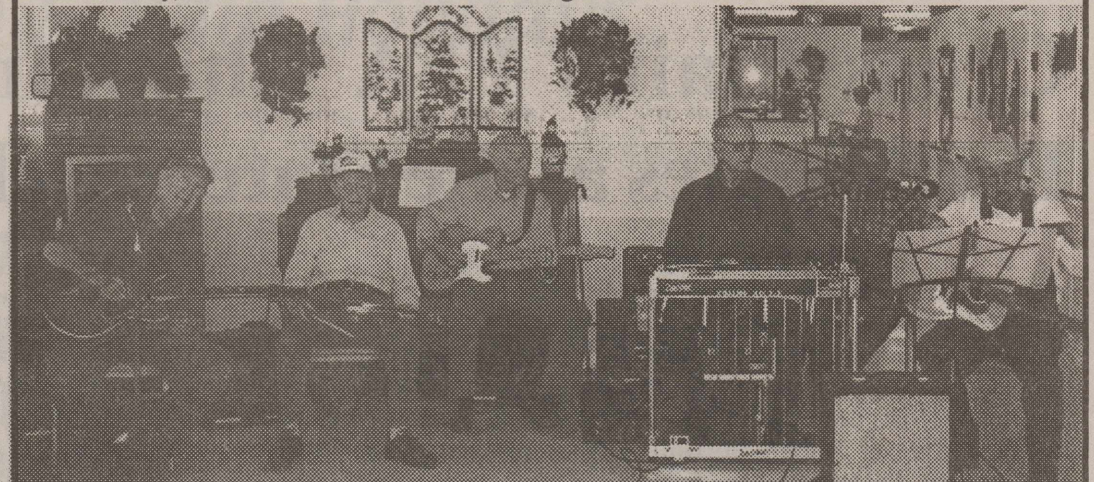
They are all there in gleeful anticipation, just TWO DOORS DOWN!!!!!!

RIISING STAR NURSING CENTER NEWS

By Linda Merritt



MAKING STOCKINGS FOR IRAQ—Betty Raybon (from left), Jerry Holmes, Jimmielee Payne, Irene Starkey, Nell Lancaster, and Grace Jenkins.



GREAT ENTERTAINMENT—Jerry Walker (from left), Dad Bludworth, Rosie Marshall, Clent Kniffin, Lonnie Whorton, and E.J. Browning.

We had some fine entertainment at the resident Birthday Party. Appreciation to Jerry Walker, Dad Bludworth, E.J. Browning, Clent Kniffin, Rosie Marshall, and Lonnie Whorton for coming and sharing their talents with us. Our thanks to Angie Fortune for making the delicious cake.

Betty Raybon, Jerry Holmes, Jimmielee Payne, Irene Starkey, Nell Lancaster and Grace Jenkins proudly stuffed Christmas stockings with personal items, snacks and candy that were

mailed to the marines stationed in Iraq.

The residents Christmas party will be December the 21st at 6:00 p.m. First United Methodist Church will be here to sing Carols for us. Santa will be making an appearance, and refreshments of sandwiches and snacks will be served. We encourage all family and friends to attend.

We are looking forward to a special event that is coming up December 13th at 4:15. Mindy's

talented tumblers will be here to perform for us.

Many thanks to the May EE Club, Carol Nelson, Evelyn Woodard and Peggy Edwards for the nice warm lap covers they made, to Jacque Childress for the cute Christmas door hangers, to the Ranger Junior College Students for the wonderful snacks and to Ruth Watkins and Debra Mitchell for the resident Christmas gifts.

Jesus Is The Reason For The Season!

"Santa at the Bank" (Gifts Needed by December 15)

Come enjoy the season of giving with "Santa at the Bank" this Christmas. There will be a Christmas tree in the bank with ornaments telling the gender and ages of the children throughout the Cross Plains area. You may stop by the bank and choose an ornament with a child's informa-

tion. Please return your gifts to the bank by Friday, December 15, 2006.

Gifts will be wrapped and delivered by the Key Club the next week. A reasonable price to spend on the gift is \$20-\$25. If you wish to give money, we will buy the gift for you.

Some gift ideas include:

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

Christmas is a time for giving and kindness, so please help us make Christmas brighter for the children of our community this year.

If you know of any children in need, please call Pat Stephens with your information. 254-725-6819 (home) 254-725-6123 (school).

Dollar General also has a box in the front of their store for donations to the Santa at the Bank tree. Thank you so much for helping the children of our community.

Submitted by Pat Stephens

SENIOR CITIZENS MENU

DECEMBER 11 - 15

MONDAY - Soft Taco, Tossed Salad, Spanish Rice, Mexican Corn, Peaches

TUESDAY- Pork Chops w/Gravy, Whipped Potatoes, Buttered Carrots, Gelatin, Roll

WEDNESDAY - Hearty Chicken Soup, Tossed Salad, Apricots, Chocolate Chip Cookie, Crackers

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FRIDAY-Beef Stew, Pineapple & Cottage Cheese, Pea Salad, Cake, Crackers

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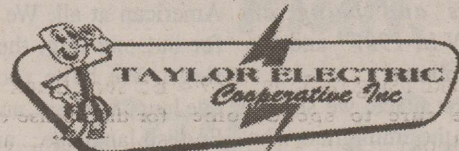
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PIONEER NEWS

The Quilting Club will meet, December 12, at Frankie Smith's house at 2 p.m. for our Annual Christmas Party. Hope to see everyone there.

We finished our Rehab quilt. It is in Abilene ready for bidding. Be sure and look for all the area quilts and give them some good bids.



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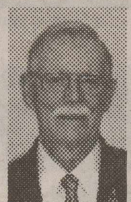
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Today is "Pearl Harbor Day." Some of us old enough to remember what happened on that day sixty-five years ago at Oahu, Hawaii — some remember it all too vividly. It led to President Roosevelt (FDR) declaring war upon Japan. The tragedy instilled by Japan upon Pearl Harbor was so swift, so surprising and so deadly that the term "Pearl Harbor" came to stand for "any swift surprise attack that causes great destruction."

We "salute" those who died in that attack, and those who survived, standing and fighting bravely until the attack was fought off — and all the other military people who helped win WWII, thus bringing peace back to our nation. Let us stand as firmly behind those who are on the battlefields today, many who are meeting a "Pearl Harbor" on a daily basis. They are trying to prevent another "9-11" or a "Pearl Harbor" on the home front. Let us pray for God's safety for them, and for their loved ones back here at home. And remember that Satan is trying to pull a "Pearl Harbor" on us, spiritually, on a daily basis, also...

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TOURNAMENT WINNERS—Jacob Estes (back, from left), Coach McDowell, Brock Cooper, Clay Koenig, Jonathan Hopkins, Thomas Estes, Coach Wyatt, and Dalton Carpenter; Russell Thomas (front, from left), Justin Dickson, JJ Callaway, Fili Vasquez, and Mitchell Gibbs.

Cross Plains Varsity Buffs Win Rising Star Tournament

Congratulations to the Cross Plains Varsity Buffalo Boys. They came home with a 1st Place trophy from the Rising Star Tournament Saturday night. They played Ranger Friday and won 46-32. Then they played Gorman, Saturday morning, and won 31-28. The Championship game was Saturday night at 9:45 p.m. The boys played Groom and won 48-33. Thomas Estes was named MVP, scoring a total of 34 points in the tournament. Mitchell Gibbs received All-Tournament Honors. Every player on the team played a great tournament.



CROSS PLAINS VARSITY GIRLS 3rd PLACE TOURNAMENT WINNERS—Assistant Coach Amanda Coffman (back, from left), Krista Phillips, Kaelen Martinez, Emma Bennett, Emily Harrelson, Macayla Cook, Mykea Douglass, Emily Harris, and Coach Shawn Bullock; Terrah Augustine (middle, from left), Karen Scott, and Shera Gray; Manager, Tiffany Walker (front).

Cross Plains FFA Chapter Participates at the State Level

On Saturday, December 2 the Cross Plains FFA Junior Chapter Conducting team participated in the State Leadership Contest at Sam Houston State University in Huntsville. The top 20 teams in the state were divided into two semi-final heats of ten teams. The top five teams of each heat then participated in the finals. The team from Cross Plains placed sixth in their heat, missing the finals by one place. The team consisted of Zach Snell, Tiffany Holland, Amanda Dunaway, Emily Foster, Melissa Black, Jake McCutchen, Ceirra Odom, Shasta Bacon, Cody Sliger, and Kayla Lawrence. Even though the students missed the finals, they had a great year by winning district and area and qualifying for state. The Ag department is extremely proud of them for their hard work and accomplishments.

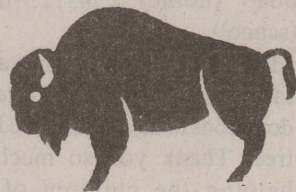
J. H. Girls Basketball Report

The Junior High girls have played two (2) games since the last report. They played Winters and Baird, both of these games were on the road.

In the Winters first game, the Cross Plains Purple Team was defeated 16 to 12. Scoring was Kenzie Taff, 6 pts; Rosa Salazar, 4 pts; and Tori Robertson, 2 pts. Also playing was Shelby Ames, Charleen Avants, Sammy Tollett and Rachelle Allen. In their next game the girls played Baird defeating them 20 to 8. In this game the girls scored 10 points in the fourth quarter to get the victory. Scoring was Rosa Salazar, 10 pts; Tori Robertson, 7 pts; Charleen Avants, 2 pts; and Rachelle Allen, 1 pt. Also helping in the victory was Shelby Ames, Kenzie Taff and Sammy Tollett.

The Cross Plain Gold Team lost to Winters 30 to 15. The girls were 5 of 15 in free throws and missed to many easy shots to stay in the game. Scoring was Lauren Goode, 3 pts, Savannah Wyatt, 3 pts, Shawna Lewis, 3 pts. Scoring 2 points each were Delany Ames, Kodi Roberts and Madison Wells. Also playing was Samantha Dickson, Miranda Williams and Zoie Walker. In the girls next game they were defeated by Baird 26 to 13. This was our first game that the girls played man to man defense. While we did shut down their field goal shooting to 14 points, the girls did commit several fouls. Baird took advantage of this making 12 of 20 free throws. The girls will get better in playing defense and will improve as the year goes on. They were 1 of 10 in free throws. So needless to say they are working on their free throws. The girls next action is against Albany then Eula.

Submitted by
Coach Atchley



LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Dear Editor,

What are we telling the former students and families of Cross Plains?

That Cross Plains was good enough for them to hold Proms in, but it's not good enough for the present graduating class? Every Homecoming we are always proud and happy to have the former students come back to Cross Plains High. To show them the new and improved school. They use the school to have meetings and hold functions for the former students.

Now the school is now longer good enough for the Class Prom of "07"?

What about the future graduating students? Will they be satisfied to hold their proms here in Cross Plains? Or will they want

bigger and better than the Grace Ballroom? This could be the end of a wonderful school tradition.

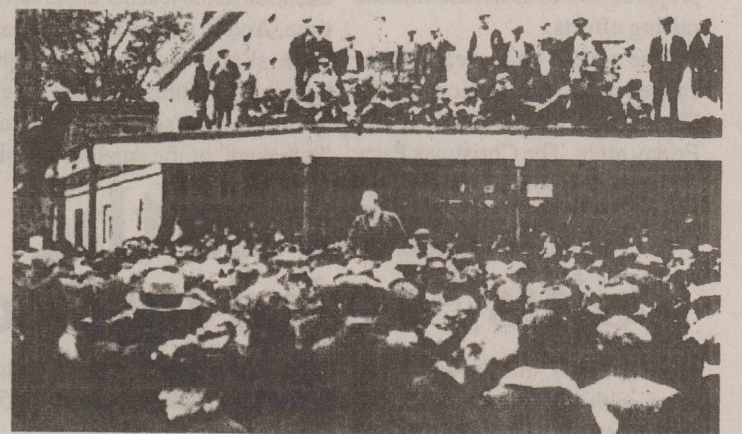
Again I say we live in Callahan County not Taylor!

We have one of the best schools in this county. I for one, am against having the prom outside of our school district and county.

If nothing else, maybe we can have a Prom for the students who do not wish or who cannot attend the Abilene Prom. I say let's stay true to our school.

If there are any other parents or family members that feel as I do, please call me at 254-725-4025. If no answer please leave your name and phone number, I will get back with you.

Thank you,
Theresa M. Baker
Cross Plains, TX



Dear Editor,

We came across this on the internet the other day and felt like we needed to share it with everybody else.

The article was titled "Theodore Roosevelt's ideas on Immigrants and being an AMERICAN in 1907" and the text was as follows:

"In the first place, we should insist that if the immigrant who comes here in good faith becomes an American and assimilates himself to us, he shall be treated on an exact equality with everyone else, for it is an outrage to discriminate against any such man because of creed,

or birthplace, or origin. But this is pre dicated upon the person's becoming in every facet an American, and nothing but an American...There can be no divided allegiance here. Any man who says he is an American, but something else also, isn't an American at all. We have room for but one flag, the American flag... We have room for but one language here, and that is the English language... and we have room for but one sole loyalty and that is a loyalty to the American people."

Theodore Roosevelt 1907
Submitted by
Lyn and Pam Hutton
Cross Plains, TX

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SEMESTER EXAM SCHEDULE

Monday, December 18th	Tuesday, December 19th	Wednesday, December 20th
Period 1st 8:00-10:08	Period 2nd 8:00-10:08	Period 7th 8:00-10:08
Period 3rd 10:12-12:20	Period 4th 10:12-12:20	Period 8th 10:12-12:20
Lunch 12:20-12:58	Lunch 12:20-12:58	Lunch 12:20-1:00
Period 5th 12:58-2:45	Period 6th 12:58-2:45	Buses will run at 1:00 p.m.
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* All students will remain in the exam for its entire time. The same schedule will be followed for exams given at the end of the year.

* If a student is exempted from an exam, he/she does not have attend school for that exam period only. Exams will not be given early, unless cleared through the principal first.

* If a student does not attend his/her exam a ZERO will be given.

Christmas Holiday Schedule

Monday, December 18th	School will dismiss at 2:45 p.m. Buses will run at 2:45 p.m.
Tuesday, December 19th	School will dismiss at 2:45 p.m. Buses will run at 2:45 p.m.
Wednesday, December 20th	School will dismiss at 1:00 p.m. Buses will run at 1:00 p.m.

Christmas Holidays

December 21, 2006 through January 1, 2007

Tuesday, January 2, 2007	Staff Work Day - No Students
Wednesday, January 3, 2007	Students return to school at regular time

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THURSDAY - Cereal, Graham Crackers, Assorted Juice
FRIDAY - Cinnamon Roll, Yogurt, Assorted Juice

LUNCH

MONDAY- Pizza, Salad, Corn, Rosy-Applesauce
TUESDAY - Sloppy Joe on Bun, Baked Fries, Pickle Spears, Peaches
WEDNESDAY-Beef-Veg Soup, Grilled Cheese, Crackers, Oranges
THURSDAY- Turkey & Dressing w/Gravy, Green Beans, Sweet Potatoes, Cranberry Sauce, Rolls, Fruit Salad
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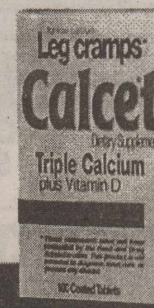
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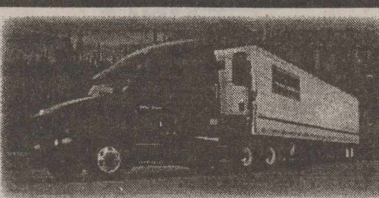
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Saturday, 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Enjoy shopping for great holiday gifts, arts and crafts and much more!

For more information please contact Bill or Charles Richardson at 254-725-7289.

Commissioners approve order prohibiting burning

Callahan County Commissioners voted to prohibit outdoor burning during the commissioners' court meeting held Monday, November 27th at the County Courthouse in Baird.

On a motion by Commissioner Bryan Farmer and a second by Commissioner Tommy Holland, the commissioners' court voted 4-0 to approve the order prohibiting outdoor burning in Callahan County.

The order prohibiting outdoor burning follows:

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 27, 2006 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 violation 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, restrictions, and or precautions which must be observed.

ORDERED by the Commissioners Court of Callahan County, Texas on the November 27, 2006, and executed on the same day.

(s) Roger Corn
Callahan County Judge
(s) Harold Hicks
Commissioner Precinct #1
(s) Bryan Farmer
Commissioner Precinct #2
(s) Tommy Holland
Commissioner Precinct #3

County Commissioners take no action concerning Constable Bill Young's expenses

Callahan County Commissioners took no action following public comments by Constable Bill Young requesting payment for expenses incurred during the Cross Plains wildfire on December 27, 2005.

Young met during the public comments portion of the commissioners' court meeting Monday, November 27th held at the County Courthouse in Baird.

Young, the Precinct #4 Constable at Cross Plains, resubmitted expenses incurred during the Cross Plains wildfire, minus the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) check. No discussion or action was taken by the commissioners' court.

Other agenda items brought before the commissioners' court included:

—County Judge Roger Corn

called the commissioners' court meeting to order at 9:40 a.m. Present included Commissioner Precinct #1 Harold Hicks, Commissioner Precinct #2 Bryan Farmer, Commissioner Precinct #3 Tommy Holland, County Treasurer Dianne Alexander and County Clerk Jeanie Bohannon.

—The minutes of the November 20th commissioners' court meeting were approved as presented.

—Commissioner Hicks made a motion to pay approved bills. Commissioner Holland seconded the motion and it carried with a 4-0 vote.

—Judge Corn made a motion to adjourn the commissioners' court meeting at 9:45 a.m. Commissioner Farmer seconded the motion and it carried by a 4-0 vote.

Down Home

Afterward, each group was given three tests: One measured self-esteem, another measured feelings (like how embarrassed or sad they felt, whether something bothered them, etc.) The third test was a fill-in-the-blank beginning with "I am," LaFrance said. "People filled in whatever they felt at the moment...I'm lazy, I'm adorable, I'm a procrastinator, I'm someone who sleeps too late... Those answers would reflect what mind-set the other test got them into."

People in the bad hair group had "significantly lower self esteem," LaFrance found. They were more likely to use negative words like embarrassed, bothered, self-conscious, angry. They also were more likely to use negative self-descriptors on physical traits, traits that had nothing to do with appearance...difficult to get along with, sloppy, lazy."

The results reflect students' in-the-moment mind-sets, she says. "We do not know whether effects lingered though the day, but immediate effects were surprisingly strong."

When a bad hair day hits, it's best just to laugh it off, advises

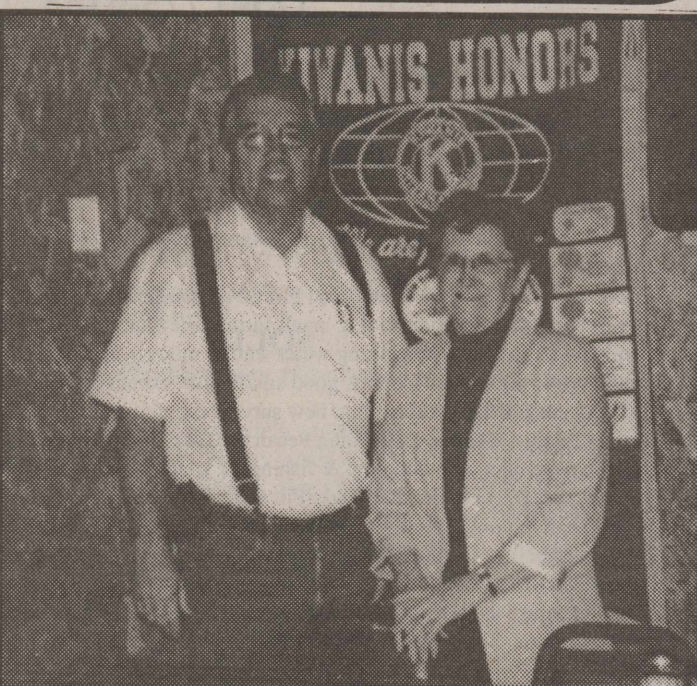
Nadine Kaslow, Ph.D., professor of psychiatry and behavior sciences of Emory University School of Medicine in Atlanta.

"Really what this study highlights is that so many people feel this connection between comfort, your physical appearance and how you feel about yourself generally," Kaslow stated. "Particularly for women, (these issues) are very interwoven. Our culture puts tremendous value on appearance and what 'good hair' looks like."

"We know people who take something minor that's negative, like bad hair on a given day...and it becomes about their whole being," says Kaslow. "People who have a more positive outlook on their lives should have some perspective on this bad hair."

Kaslow's advice is to put your hair problems into perspective. "Realistically, how important is this? You almost have to have a sense of humor about it. Work to say to yourself that even if your hair doesn't look good today, it doesn't reflect (you) as a person. I really do think it helps to have a sense of humor about these things."

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COMMUNITY MINDED—Arlene Stephenson (right) was the guest speaker at the Kiwanis program last week. She talked about everything that is going on at the library and all the progress they have made with the remodeling process. Mrs. Stephenson noted that the library is here to serve the community and will try to host any programs that the community needs or wants. She stated that the library is eager to SUPPORT the programs but that they cannot do it alone. She was the guest of Jim Senkle. Kiwanis meet at noon each Tuesday, at Jean's Feed Barn. Everyone is welcome.

Barb's Cues

By Barbara Holmes Worcester

To Achieve Your Dreams Remember Your ABCs

Avoid negative sources, people, places, things and habits.

Believe in yourself.

Consider things from every angle.

Don't give up and don't give in.

Enjoy life today, yesterday is gone and tomorrow may never come.

Family and Friends are hidden treasures, seek them and enjoy their riches.

Kaslow's advice is to put your hair problems into perspective.

Hang on to your dreams. Ignore those who try to discourage you.

Just do it. Keep trying no matter how hard it seems, it will get easier.

Love yourself first and foremost.

Make it happen. Never lie, cheat or steal, always strike a fair deal.

Open your eyes and see things as they really are.

Practice makes perfect. Quitters never win and winners never quit.

Read, study and learn about everything important in life.

Stop procrastinating. Take control of your own destiny.

Understand yourself in order to understand others.

Visualize it. Want it more than anything.

Xccelerate your efforts. You are unique, of all God's creations nothing can replace you.

Zero in on your target and go for it!

From the Internet

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Medicare scam targets seniors

The Better Business Bureau is ALERTING senior citizens about an abusive telemarketing scheme aimed at Medicare and Medicaid beneficiaries. The caller informs the seniors they are about to lose their Medicare benefits unless they pay a fee immediately. Telemarketers instruct the victims to disclose their bank account number to pay a check by phone.

The scam is called the "\$299 Ring", the typical amount of money the Medicare beneficiaries are talked into drawing from their checking accounts in order to "keep" their benefits or to pay for a non-existing prescription drug plan.

The Bureau offers the following tips:

- Never release your personal banking information to anyone that calls YOU
- Legitimate Medicare drug plans never ask for payment by phone
- No one can come into your home uninvited
- No one can ask you for personal information during their marketing activities
- Always keep all personal information safe including Medicare numbers
- If you have concerns about any activity regarding Medicare call 1-800-MEDICARE.

If you have additional information including phone numbers and address of the company placing these calls please contact the Better Business Bureau at 691-1533. Torch Award Nominations now open!

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