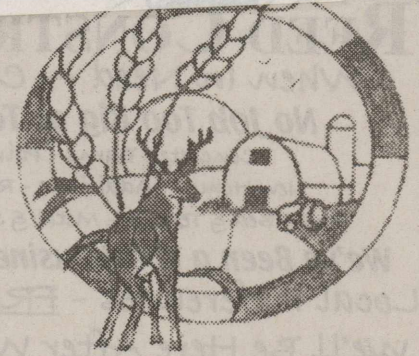


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DOWN HOME

Editor's Note: Haven't you been enjoying this great spring weather???? This is a favorite time of the year for me, as I love to see the earth come back to life after a winter hiatus. This spring has been different—it can't seem to make up its mind to be warm or cold. That is probably contributing to the thunderstorms we've been experiencing in the area. Isn't the rain wonderful!!!! Miracle Grow cannot compare to God's healing rain!

I just found the following story written by my dear late friend, Ozella Huddleston, after the tornado in 1994. She had such a flair for writing. She paints a vivid picture of her experience with descriptive words. Enjoy!!!
Vanda Anderson

"Storms of Life"

The tranquility of the noon-day sun soothed the earth, and then: the cloud came in the horizon, dark and threatening with wind-driven wisps that flew across the sky.

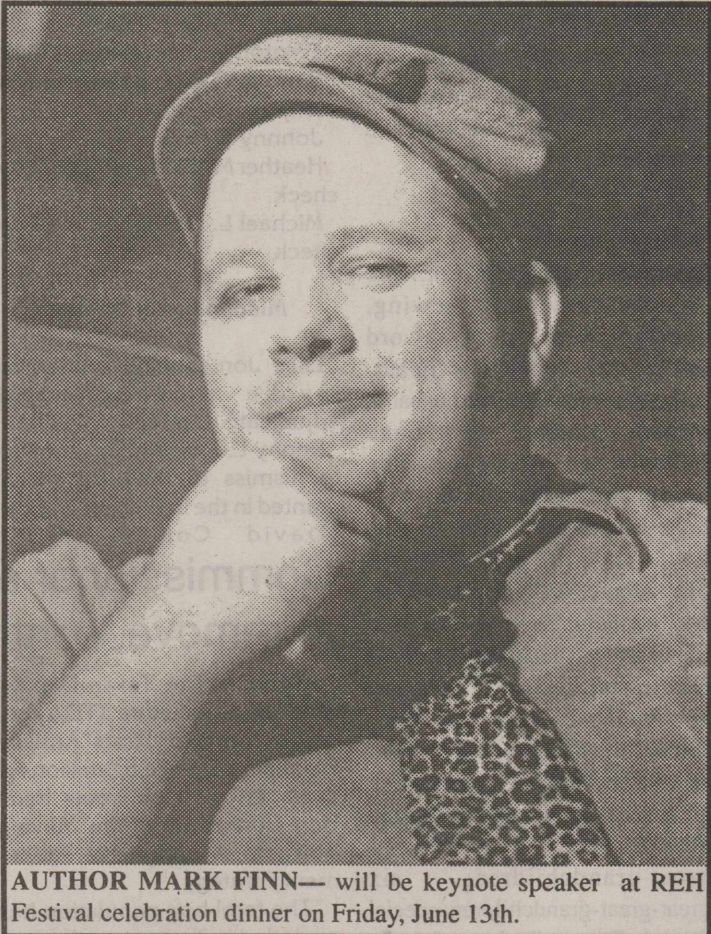
It came closer and took on a greenish hue. Lightening splintered the cloud into jagged pieces, thunder rolled them together and near-darkness covered the land.

Wind-blown rain slashed the earth and bent the trees in humility. The air grew cold as marbles of ice beat against the house and danced across the ground. I stood inside, safe, because my home held fast in the clutches of the storm.

My life sped by, clothed in days of serenity and then: a natural disaster, and my world fell apart.

The storm clouds came, dark and gloomy. The winds of strife threatened my life, forced me down. I watered the earth with tears. There was no safety, no refuge. My days were torn apart by the agony of my soul.

One day the burden lightened, and hope moved my feet forward. Faith gave a smile, laughter glistened in my eyes and my life was colored by God's healing love. He knitted my life together and tucked peace into the pocket of my heart.



AUTHOR MARK FINN— will be keynote speaker at REH Festival celebration dinner on Friday, June 13th.

Reservation Deadline Nears for Project Pride Dinner

Members of Project Pride are busy with final details for the annual Robert E. Howard Days, scheduled for Friday and Saturday, June 13 and 14. Reservations are arriving daily for the Celebration Dinner on Friday; the list of items for the Silent Auction is growing; the Museum has been stocked with new books and an attractive new tee shirt designed by Christophe Fernandez of France and the postal cancellation, also designed by Fernandez, is in the works with the Post Office.

California leads the list with the most reservations to date. Twelve people are traveling half way across the country to be here for the celebration. Joining those early birds are folks from Oregon, Florida, Colorado, Indiana and Oklahoma, plus a few Texans. Reservations for the Friday dinner may be made locally at City Hall, the Bank, the Library or checks may be mailed to Project Pride, PO Box 534, Cross Plains Texas, 76443. Cost for the chicken fried steak catered by Cook's Fish Barn is \$10.00 and **MUST** be made by Thursday, June 5th.

The 6:30 p.m. dinner in the Community Center will feature guest of honor, Mark Finn of Vernon, Texas addressing the topic of "Robert E. Howard and the Whole Wide World of Texas." Finn has had a number of books and articles published about the world-renowned author who did all his writing in the little white house at the edge of town that is now known as the Robert E. Howard Museum. Although Howard is probably better known for his fantasy stories, he had the unique ability to write in a wide variety of genres. He had a

number of western characters that rollicked through the pages of the western pulps of the early 1930's. Finn will focus on the comic aspects of Howard's westerns; namely the antics of Breckinridge Elkins, Buckner Grimes and Pike Bearfield. One can only imagine that the evening will be anything but dull as Finn adds his own sense of dramatic interpretation to the characters and Howard's twangy dialect.

A silent auction of items donated by Howard fans and scholars will be run in conjunction with the dinner in the Community Center. The auction will open at 5:30 and close about 15 minutes after the dinner. Donors of all of the items have graciously donated all of the income from the auction over the years to the maintenance of the Howard Museum.

Other activities scheduled during the annual festival include bus tours of Howard's favorite places, panel discussions led by members of the Robert E. Howard United Press Association and tours of the Museum led by Project Pride volunteers.

The special postal cancellation will be available on Friday, June 13 only. It will be available during regular hours of 9:00 - 4:00 at the Post Office. Coupled will a post card of the Howard Museum, the cancellation makes a nice souvenir of the festival.

With the exception of the postal cancellation, all of the activities are scheduled at the Museum Pavilion and are open to the public at no cost.

Further information may be obtained by calling 254-725-4993 or 725-6562.

Submitted by
Arlene Stephenson

Immunization Clinics Announced

Texas Department of State Health Services will be holding Immunization Clinics in Callahan County as follows:

Monday, June 9th

Baird Cafeterium
400 West 7th
10 a.m. - 12 noon
Cross Plains Housing Authority
233 North Main
2 p.m. - 4 p.m.

Wednesday, June 11th
Clyde First Baptist Church
216 Austin
10 a.m. - 12 noon
1:30 p.m. - 3 p.m.

Please bring your child's immunization records. If your child has Medicaid or CHIP, please bring your card.

For more information call 325-754-4945.

2008 Cross Plains High School Seniors Graduate this Friday Evening, May 30th

Twenty-nine students of the Class of 2008 at Cross Plains High School will be graduating in commencement exercises Friday, May 30 at 8:00 p.m. in the high school gym.

The program will begin with Gail Randsdell performing the professional as the Seniors enter. Brice Bowden will deliver the welcome speech and Austin Dunaway will lead the invocation.

"Do it Anyway" will be performed by Senior Candance Rister.

Hailey Biggs will present the Salutatory Address. She is the daughter of Robert and Charlotte Lee and the late Delbert Biggs.

Academically, she had obtained a 94.38 GPA for four years; a member of the National Honor Society for the past three years.

Biggs is a multi-talented young woman who has been involved in cheerleading, tennis, UIL, FFA, and Key Club.

Her leadership characteristics are evident in that she has served as FFA Vice President (2 years); Class President (3 years); and Head Cheerleader (1 year). She was also named Mrs. CPHS; Most Beautiful; Friendliest; and Most Dependable.

Hailey plans to study Medical Assisting at CJC in Abilene.

Tiffany Walker will deliver the Valedictory Address. She is the daughter of Mike and Tonja Walker.

She has been active as the basketball manager (2 years), softball manager (1 year), Key Club (4 years), PALS (2 years), Student Council, FFA (4 years) and FCCLA (3 years).

Academically she has proven exceptional, earning a 94.89 GPA for the past four years; a member of National Honor Society for 3 years. She has served as Senior Class Vice President. Walker has received a four-year Academic Scholarship to TWU; as well as a \$2,000 Ag Scholarship.

Tiffany plans to attend Texas Women's University to obtain a degree in Neonatology.

Principal S.D. Loyless will present Awards and Scholarships to the Seniors.

At this time, Superintendent Jackie Tension will introduce the speaker, Charlene Fleming, who will deliver the Commencement Address.

Fun-filled Project Graduation

It's that time again!!!! Our committees have been busy getting the Seniors' special night even better with a fun night of games, food and lots of prizes (about 500, as of this writing).

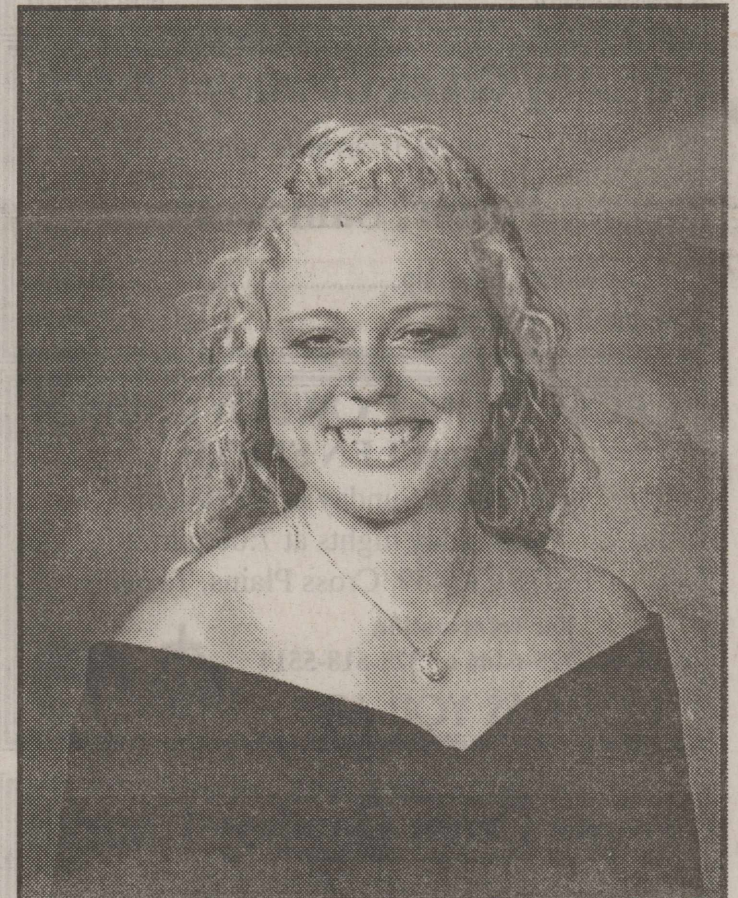
With 29 Seniors, that means each could possibly win 17 prizes. These prizes are monetary gifts as well as other items such as luggage, coolers, microwaves, phones, answering machines, coffee makers, lawn chairs, etc. WOW!!!!

Project Graduation is a drug, alcohol and tobacco free night for the Seniors and a guest of their choice. Seniors must sign up their guest with Lurene in the office. Only Senior's names will be in the drawing for gifts. This part is for 2008 Seniors.

See Project Graduation Page 4



VALEDICTORIAN—Tiffany Walker



SALUTATORIAN—Hailey Biggs

The Class of 2008 will be presented by Tension and School Board Trustees will present their diplomas.

"Shine" will be played during the presentation of family by Markus Maxwell on guitar.

The benediction will be given by Senior Joseph Callaway followed by the recessional by Gail Randsdell.

See photos of each student and their autobiographies inside this edition.

The Top Ten Students of the Class of 2008: Tiffany Walker, Hailey Biggs, Mitchell Gibbs,

Starla Schaefer, Macayla Cook, Jennie Lewis, Markus Maxwell, Joseph (J.J.) Callaway, Cody Baker and Joseph (Joey) Westerman.

Class of 2008 Officers are Hailey Biggs - President; Tiffany Walker - Vice President; Christiana Burrhus - Secretary; and Macayla Cook - Treasurer.

Class Sponsors are Gerry Webb and Donnie Dillard, Jr.

Project Graduation (a drug-free, alcohol-free tobacco-free event) will begin directly at the old gym on the school campus.

Tax Office Will Be Closed June 2nd-6th

The Tax Office Sub-station, located in the J.P.'s office, will be closed June 2-6, 2008. All motor vehicle transactions will have to be mailed or brought to the main tax office, in the courthouse in Baird. They are open to the public from 8 a.m. to noon, and 1p.m. to 4:30 p.m.

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Music: Karen Lenz & Diane Woods
 Bible Study...10:00 am
 Sunday Morning Worship...11:00 am
 2990 Highway 36 at Rowden 12 Miles West of Cross Plains

OBITUARIES

Gladys Rankin

Graveside services for Gladys Rankin, 89, of Brownwood were held at 2 p.m., Monday at the Locker Cemetary. Burial followed under the direction of Netherton Funeral Home. Mrs. Rankin died Saturday, May 24, 2008, at a local nursing home. She was born Nov. 20, 1918, in Travis County, the daughter of Coy and Mattie (Word) Patton. She had been a resident of Brownwood since 1985, and was formerly of Richland Springs. She was a homemaker and a member of Avenue D Baptist Church. She was married to R.A. Rankin on July 27, 1938, in Mason. He died July 28, 1982. Survivors include three sons, Donald Rankin of Brownwood, Charlie Rankin of Cross Cut and Kenneth Rankin of Monahans; two daughters, Dorothy Moore of Arlington and Melva Grumbles of Georgetown; 11 grandchildren; a number of great-grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews. In addition to her parents and husband, Gladys was preceded in death by four sons, Leon Rankin, Alvis Rankin, Billie Rankin and Willie Rankin; four brothers; and two sisters.

Myrna Rae Maynard Lewis

Funeral services for Myrna Rae Maynard Lewis, 82, of May, were held at 10 a.m. on Friday, May 16th in the Heartland Funeral Home Chapel with Tony King officiating. Interment followed in Pleasant Valley Cemetery under the direction of Heartland Funeral Home of Early. Mrs. Lewis passed away on Monday, May 12, 2008, at her home in May with loved ones by her side. She was born on Sept. 15, 1925, in Nimrod, Texas, to Walter Don and Annie Emaline Maynard. Myrna was a 1942 graduate of Rising Star High School. She was married to Calvin Lewis in Rising Star on May 24, 1942. To this union were born two children; Jimmy Rex, on March 10, 1945, and Linda Sue, on Aug. 1, 1947. Myrna was a loving wife and mother, grandmother, and friend. She was a bookkeeper for eight years at Westside State Bank in Fort Worth before moving to Gorman in 1963, where she was a bookkeeper at Eastland National Bank for 20 years before retiring. She accepted the Lord Jesus Christ as her personal Lord and Savior in 1941, and was a member of the Christadelphian Church in Romney, Texas. Myrna lived life to the fullest. Her most pleasurable times were playing with the grandchildren and great-grandchildren. She enjoyed gardening, sewing, cooking, working crossword puzzles and visiting with friends. She is survived by her husband, James Lewis of Lake Brownwood; daughter Sue Brown and husband Dwayne of Lake Brownwood; her son Rex Lewis and wife Joy, of Rising Star; adopted daughter, Pam Ulan and husband Jerry, of Albion, Penn; five grandchildren, Debbie Harris and husband Leonard, Jimmy Lewis and wife Terri, Johnny Lewis and wife Debbie, all of Fort Worth, Cindy Russell and husband Gary, of Dublin and Wes Lewis of Colorado; 11 great-grandchildren; six great-great-grandchildren; special friend, Diann Parker of Lake Brownwood; and many other family and friends. She was preceded in death by her parents, Bill and Emaline Maynard; four siblings, Don Leslie Maynard, Doyle Lee Maynard, Martha Joan Hubbard and Clara Lou Schlittler. Two grandchildren, Garland Benjamin Mathews Jr. and Arlette Dequitta Mathews, also preceded her in death. Pallbearers for the service were Donald McKinnerney, Beryl McKinnerney, Larry McKinnerney, Floy McKinnerney, Jack Hubbard and John Schlittler.

COURTHOUSE NEWS

Misdemeanor Filings	Heriberto Agosto, theft by check. Scott W. Beavers, theft by check. Sabrina A. Drummond, theft by check. Nathan P. Ireland, driving while intoxicated (DWI). Edward A. Holeman, DWI. Avery E. Elder, DWI. Trenton W. Stevenson, DWI. Samuel Serna, possession of marijuana. Johnny Garcia, DWI. Heather M. Goldsmith, theft by check. Michael L. Ozenghar, theft by check.	discharging detandant from probation under deferred adjudication.
Misdemeanor Minutes	Eslie Jon Barbee, motion to revoke probation and adjudicate granted. Ronny L. McGinn, Jr., motion to dismiss to theft by check granted in the interest of justice. David Coffey, order	Marriage Licenses Nathan V. Cardenas of Amarillo and Tasha I. Ballard of Clyde. Danny J. Sherman and Jeanine R. Cantrell, both of Abilene.
		42nd DISTRICT COURT John Weeks, presiding
		Civil Minutes Robert Feely vs. James Feely, et al, agreed order granted. Connie Beth Carpenter and Donald Lynn Carpenter, divorce granted
		Criminal Minutes Sean S. Brooks, judgment revoking probation, sentenced to prison.

Commissioner awards \$1 million to remove, control feral hogs

AUSTIN—The Texas Department of Agriculture (TDA) recently awarded Texas AgriLife Extension Service \$1 million for the agency's new Texas Feral Hog Control Program: Moving Towards A Long-term Abatement Strategy. "The feral hog population has exploded in Texas over the past 20 years. This invasive species will destroy anything in its path from sorghum fields in the rolling plains to pastures in East Texas to plants in a suburban San Antonio landscape," Commissioner Staples said. "Eliminating these animals also means safer driving conditions for Texans and for our many visitors. This grant will test the critical strategies we have developed to control this pest." Texas is home to more than 2 million feral hogs, the largest feral hog population in the U.S., and their numbers continue to increase due to high reproductive potential and the lack of natural predators. Feral hogs wreak havoc on property, livestock, crops and pastures across the state and frustrate landowners because of their destructive nature. In fact the Extension Service estimates the statewide annual economic damage caused by feral hogs is close to \$52 million. The 80th Legislature directed this \$1,000,000 in funding following a \$500,000 pilot project funded by the 79th Legislature. The pilot program was administered by the Texas AgriLife Extension Service and Texas Tech University through a TDA grant in 2006-2007 and did provide technical assistance to landowners at three sites, and promote educational events for other landowners statewide. The pilot project succeeded in removing more than 3,000 feral hogs, saving landowners/agricultural producers nearly \$3 million in losses.

CALLAHAN COUNTY DPS REPORT

Calls received by the Callahan County Department of Public Safety from May 18, 2008 through May 24, 2008 include:
Cases Investigated
 Warnings—160
 Complaints—70
Fugitive Arrest—1
Driving While License Invalid—1
Vehicle Accidents
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LOCAL MASON PRESENTS SCHOLARSHIP TO HONOR STUDENT— Hailey Biggs is presented with a \$500 college scholarship from the Cross Plains Masonic Lodge by Ed Walt. The scholarship is awarded based upon demonstrated academic excellence, dedication to the community and a commitment to higher education.



MEDALS AWARDED—Jacob Melton (left) and Cody Baker were presented Lamar Medals by Ed Walt of the Cross Plains Masonic Lodge. Lamar Medals are awarded to deserving Cross Plains High School students who have demonstrated courage and perseverance in overcoming challenges and difficulties to succeed and excel.

Project Graduation

The event will be held in the high school gymnasium again this year, as the Methodist Church will not be ready. But it will be the location for 2009 Project Graduation and we are looking forward to that!

NOTICE—If you would like to come by to see the Seniors and visit, then you may do so until 11:00 p.m. After that, we will have lock down. Thank you for being courteous and helping us with our time schedule.

Also in the past we have had adults and youth show up that weren't invited to stay or were not on the work list. This is not a

child's event either, so please don't bring your children to stay. Please make arrangements for them if you have signed up to stay the night.

Please don't presume to stay if you have not contacted Lurene McNutt, Connie Kirkham or Jean McWilliams. Thank you for this.

We need to keep this event fun for the Seniors and allow them to control who they want to fellowship with. Thanks for your respectful response to this.

Submitted by
The Project Graduation
Steering Committee



CHARLIE GREENWAY SILHOUETTE MATCH—Pictured above are back row (l-r) Jarrett White, Cody Cedergren, Ty Rhoads, Brandon Black, Landon Hart, Clay Doss and Will White. Front row (l-r) Kailey Hart, Barrett Ancinec, Katellynn Mitchell, Haley Nacinec, Kinna Black. Not in pictured but participating in march were Preston Clark, Abby Nail, Ian Staub and Alicia Black.

Local 4-H participate in Silhouette Match

The Callahan County Shooting Sports Club hosted the "Charlie Greenway Silhouette Match" and Archery competition the last weekend in April. The silhouette match was named in honor of longtime coach and 4-H leader in Callahan County, Charlie Greenway of Baird. Coach

Greenway is recognized as an expert black powder and pistol competitor and our kids are lucky to have him as a coach.

There were approximately 75 4-H competitors from around the state that either shot pistol, rifle or archery events. The Cedergren Family hosted the large concession stand and

many local shooting sports members also helped serve the guest and competitors. Everyone who attended the match enjoyed the competition and the beautiful day.

If you have never been to the 4-H Shooting range we invite you to visit our facilities. The

next event will be the Callahan County Fun Shoot on June 21st. Last year we had over 150 4-H'ers from around the state at our match. We are expecting more competitors with the addition of the Archery Match. Please come support the local Shooting Sports program.

Local American Legion Post Celebrates End of School with 1st Graders

Annually, the Tommy Aiken American Legion Post of Cross Plains helps the first graders of the Cross Plains ISD celebrate the ending of school by providing each student an Activities and Color Book for their use during the summertime.

Last week, Post Commander Bob Kirkham and Vice Post Commander Don Clark gave patriotic books and crayons to the 23 students finishing the first grade.

First grade teacher Becky

Dillard stated, "The patriotic books you gave the students are awesome as their current social studies class is addressing personal patriotism."

The Post intends to continue this presentation and will have one or two patriotic ceremonies in the future that will include the participation of all elementary school students, thanks to the Elementary Principal Ms. Margie Sowell.

Submitted by
Don Clark

42 TOURNAMENT TIME

Come join us in a good 'ol game of Dominos. All proceeds will benefit the Senior Center.

Date: Saturday, June 14th

Time: 1:00-?

Where: The Senior Center on Main Street
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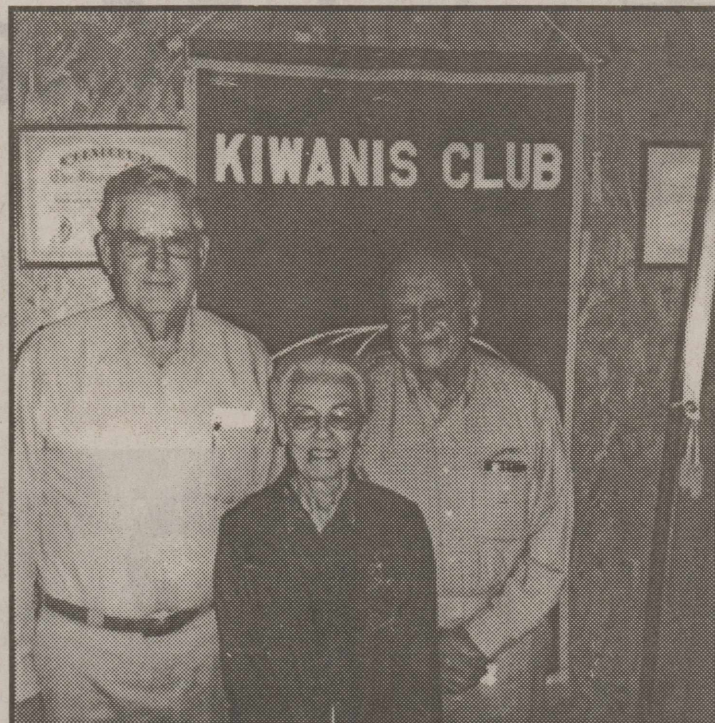
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THE TEXAS 4-H EXTRAVAGANZA AT BROWNWOOD LAKE was well attended by the Callahan County Shooting Sports Club. Many from the club were first time shooters. All who participated had a good time and had a valuable learning experience. Pictured above are: back row (l-r) Dakota Thornton, Ian Staub, Cody Cedergren, Brandon Black, Emalie Green, Ty Rhoads, Landon Hart, Barrett Ancinec, Peyton McIntire, Kyle Glenn. Middle row (l-r) Cameron McIntire, Katelynn Mitchell, Shane Thackerson, Kara McIntire, Sandra McCormick, Kailey Hart. Front row (l-r) Dakota Gibbs, Haley Ancinec, Roger McPherson, Preston Clark, Colby McGonagil, Kinna Black, Alicia Black, Kelbi Hyles and Tristan Hargrove.



EXTRA SPECIAL GUESTS— John Adams and wife, Betty Sue were guests of the Cross Plains Kiwanis Club Tuesday, May 13th. John gave a very interesting program about the life and times of Benjamin Franklin. Studying the life of Benjamin Franklin has been a life passion for John. He stated he has several copies of Franklin's autobiography from birth to age 48 that he would loan to anyone interested in reading about Franklin. W.G. McCoy, left, invited John and Betty Sue.

Barb's Cues

By Barbara Holmes Worcester

Max Life

Today's column is about MAXING life. Let's use what we have to the maximum. In an article I wrote for Parkinson Report I discussed my four L's.

LAUGH—Hunt for healthy humor, that is humor which hurts no one. The Bible says "Laughter does good like a medicine" Medical science is proving that true. This is one of my "soap-boxes," so you will probably get another entire column on laughter at another time.

LOVE—Do not waste precious time on negative emotions. Forgive, release resentments, and spread all the love that you can. Tell people, with words, that you appreciate them. The world will be a nicer place.

LEARN—Most of us have problems of one kind or another, but most of them do not prevent us from being able to learn. There is a lot of helpful information available. Pursue it.

LIVE—Enjoy what you can do. Do not let the things you CAN'T do impede your progress. Live in the NOW and MAX out your time. There is a lot of living to do. LETS BEGIN!!!

I have extracted this from an article I received over the Internet. It has been around and I am sure most of you have seen or heard, but it is too good to pass up.

To A Friend

Just a note to let you know that I am reading more and dusting less. I am spending more time with my family and friends and working less. I am not "saving" anything. I use my good china and crystal for every cel-

ebation such as losing a pound, and seeing a robin or my first Amaryllis blossom.

I am wearing my good blazer to the market. My theory is if I look prosperous, I can shell out \$28.49 for one small bag of groceries. I am not saving my good perfume for parties. I figure clerks and tellers at the bank appreciate nice fragrances too.

What would we do if we knew we would not be here for the tomorrow we take for granted? I think we would call family and friends. We might try to mend a few fences and clear up misunderstandings.

It is those little things that I have left undone that would bother me if I knew my time was limited.

I am trying not to put off anything that would add things that matter to my life.

Every morning is a special gift from God. I not only believe in miracles, I rely on them.

Life may not be the party we hoped for; but while we are here, we may as well dance.

Author unknown

One time one of the Parkinson Associations was trying to get people to will their brain to research. I thought that was a good cause and called to start the process. I know the lady was filling out a form, but honestly, she said to me, "Now, you have not died yet?" I assured her I was alive. Later I realized that there is a lesson in this story. IF we are not dead, LET'S LIVE!!! To the MAX.

Thought For The Week: Let's do TODAY, what we would want done if there were no TOMORROW.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY



MAY 31

Mrs. James Chesshir
Darla Davis
Earl E. Hooks
Mrs. Elmer Biehl
Karen Ross
Chancy West
Douglas Edwin Ege
Dennis Brown
Melinda Williams
Sherry Odum
David Purdue
Jennifer Bronson
Billy Craig Manicchia
Kinlee Mathews

JUNE 1

Anita Mayes
Rita Bates
Gary Gilmore
Junior Harding
Bess Black
Robert L. Hayes
Mrs. R.D. Corley
Derek Downs

JUNE 2

Todd Hogan
Darrel O. Walker
Jane Nunn
Gregg Williams
Bruce Hubbard
Donny Webb
Ross Rowlett
Mark Coburn
Clark Coburn

JUNE 3

Hayden Gabriel Pancake
Sandra (Weiss) Carey
Charles Coburn
Alexis Angel Mauricio

JUNE 4

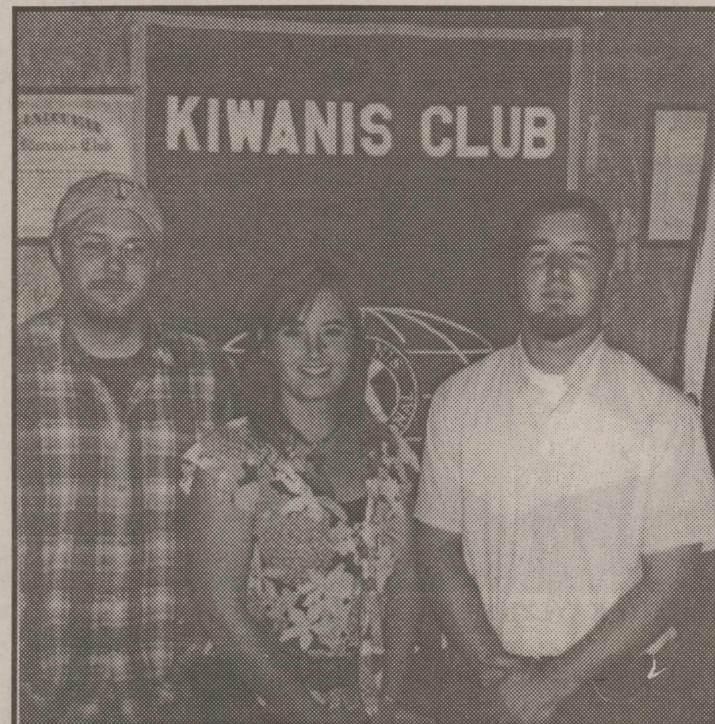
Tommy Lynn Porter
Tommy Mac Connelly
Wayland Blair
Kenneth Sowell

JUNE 5

Kreede Abigaile Orum
Sarah Weiser
Noel Ingram
Eddy Joe McAnally
Bill Stephens
Maudie J. Brown
James Bryan Hutchins
Russell Steele
Gene Bush
Staci Watson
Jeri Woodruff

JUNE 6

Genie Penn
Mrs. Ray Purvis
Mary Callaway
John M. Lapata
Michael Gregory
Johnny Smoot
Greg Rogers
Debbie Markham
Edward Pancake



MISSION TRIP DETAILS SHARED—Matt McGowen (right) and Clay Richardson (left) were recent guest of Karen Lenz (center) at Kiwanis. They shared their heart moving mission trip to the Darfur region of Sudan in Africa and what all God is doing. They shared about the ongoing humanitarian crisis and injustice in the region and how individuals can partner with mission organizations to assist these people. Anyone is welcome to join us Tuesday at noon at Jeans Feedbar.

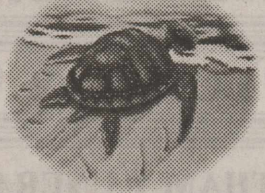
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June 8th-12th
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Pre-K through 6th grade

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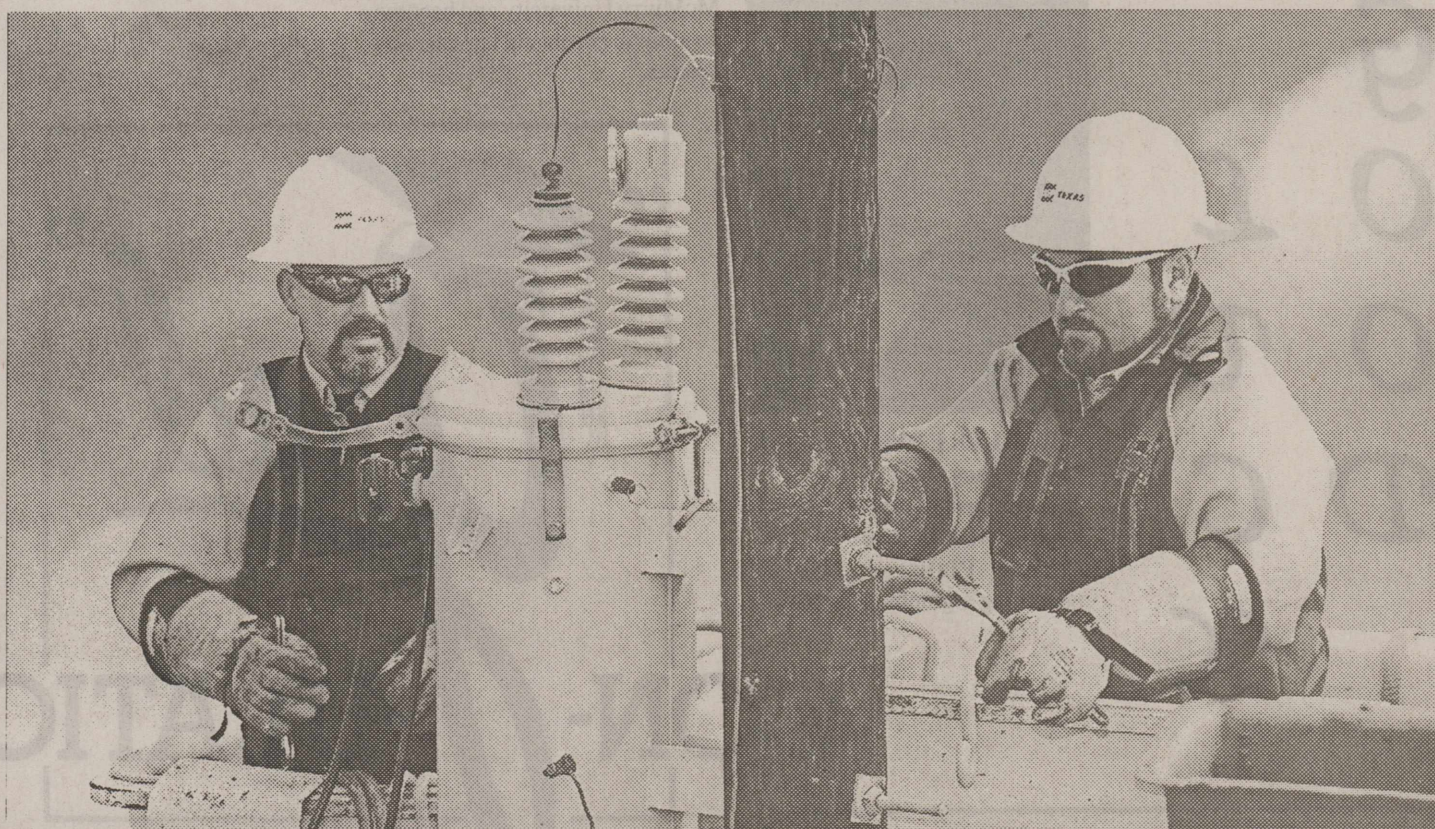


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Fun

Food

We look forward to seeing you there!
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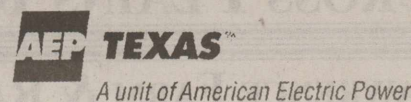


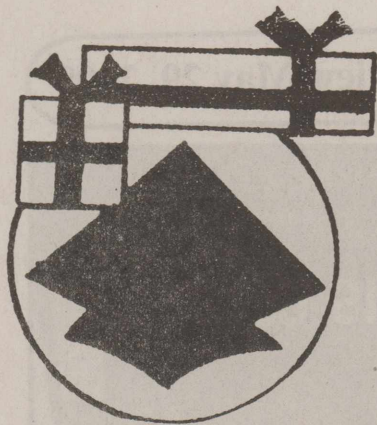
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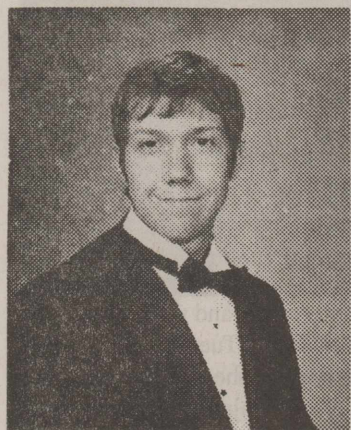
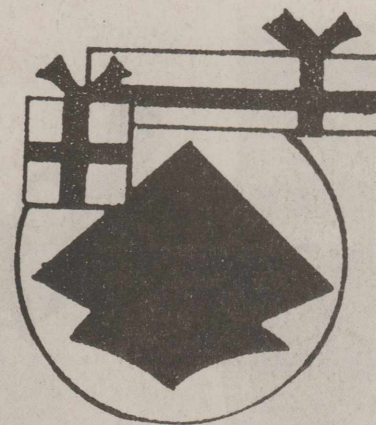
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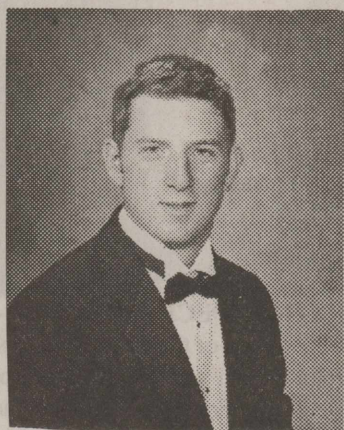




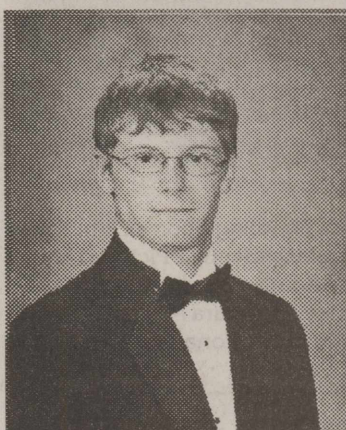
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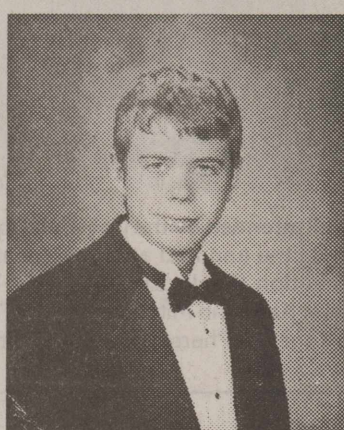
CODY LEE BAKER
Son of Randy & Leann Baker
Extracurricular Activities: Basketball 2 years; Football 3 years; Track 3 years; FFA 4 years
Future Plans: I plan on majoring in Wind Turbine & Technology.



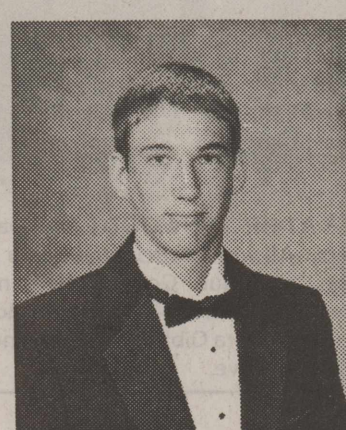
BRICE ALAN BOWDEN
Son of Brad Bowden & Terri Mize
Extracurricular Activities: Baseball 3 years; Football 4 years; Golf 3 years; Track 1 year
Awards and Honors: Senior Class Favorite
Future Plans: I plan attend West Texas College in Synder and then determine what I want to do.



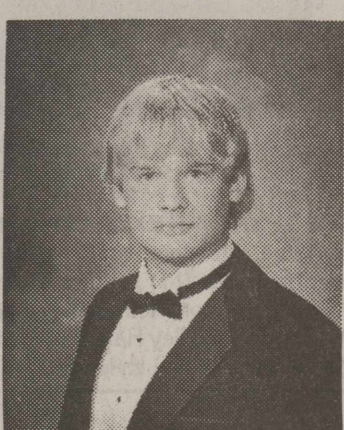
JOSEPH JAY CALLAWAY
Son of Marty & Glenda Callaway
Extracurricular Activities: Baseball 4 years; Basketball 4 years; Football 4 years; Track 3 years; UIL 2 years; OAP 1 year; FFA 3 years
Awards and Honors: 1st team All-District; Shortstop 3 years; Honorable Mention Quarterback, Honorable Mention Basketball, 2nd Team All-District Basketball
Future Plans: I plan to attend Mountain View College in Dallas to play baseball, and major in Pre-Environmental Engineering.



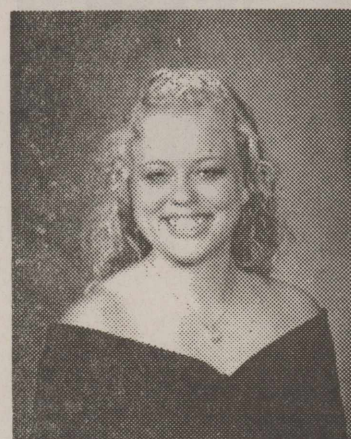
KYLE EVERETT CUNNINGHAM
Son of Chad & Kim Cunningham
Extracurricular Activities: FFA 1 year; Powder Puff Cheerleader 1 year
Awards and Honors: Most Fun To Be Around; Most Spirited; Coolest Vehicle; Biggest Flirt; Prettiest Eyes; Biggest Clown; Best Dressed;
Future Plans: I plan to attend



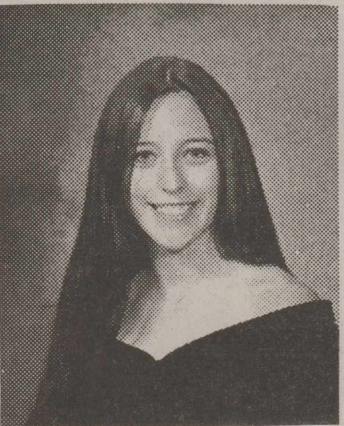
RICKY LYNN DANIELS
Son of Ricky Daniels
Extracurricular Activities: Baseball 2 years; Football 4 years; Golf 1 year; Track 3 years; FFA 4 years
Future Plans: I plan on attending TSTC and majoring in Wind Energy.



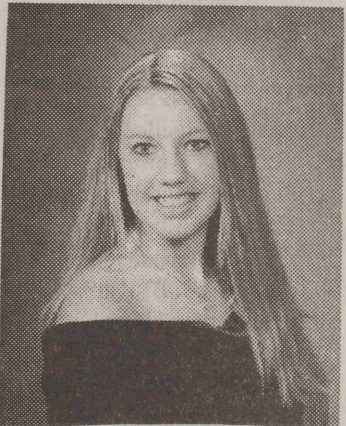
MITCHELL LEE GIBBS
Son of Kristy Gibbs & Jason Gibbs
Extracurricular Activities: Baseball 3 years; Basketball 4 years; Football 3 years; Track 1 year; UIL 2 years; NHS 2 years; FFA 3 years
Future Plans: I plan to attend Cisco Junior College and earn a Pre-Engineering Degree, and then transfer to the University of Texas to become a Petroleum Engineer.



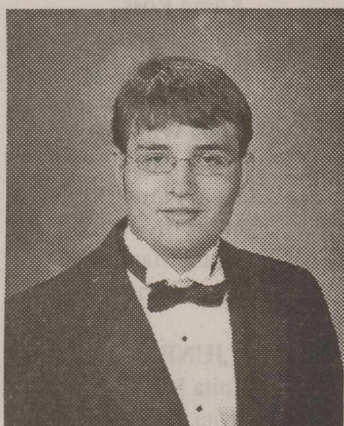
HAILEY KAYLYNN BIGGS
Daughter of Robert & Charlotte Lee
Extracurricular Activities: Tennis 1 year; UIL 1 year; Key Club 4 years; Cheerleading 4 years; NHS 3 years; FFA 4 years
Awards and Honors: Salutatorian; Class President 3 years; Class Favorite 3 years; Head Cheerleader 1 year; Mrs. CPHS; Most Beautiful; Friendliest; Most Dependable; FFA Vice President 2 years; Key Club Secretary & Reporter 1 year; FCA 4 years
Future Plans: I plan to attend CJC in Abilene and earn my degree in Medical Assisting.



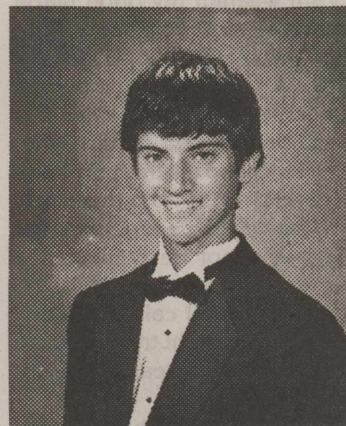
CHRISTIANA MARIE BURRHUS
Daughter Helen Cowan, Teresa Burrhus & Randy Burrhus
Extracurricular Activities: Band 1 year; Tennis 3 years; Track 1 year; Key Club 4 years; Cross Country 1 year; Cheerleading 3 years; Student Council 1 year; FFA 4 years
Awards and Honors: Class Officer 3 years; Prettiest Hair; Prettiest Eyes
Future Plans: I plan on attending CJC for 1 year and then transfer to an undecided college.



MACAYLA E'LIZBETH COOK
Daughter of Jim & Patricia Cook
Extracurricular Activities: Band 1 year; Basketball 4 years; Tennis 4 years; Track 3 years; Key Club 4 years; Cross Country 4 years; Cheerleading 3 years; NHS 3 years; FFA 1 year
Awards and Honors: Best In Tennis Award 2 years; 110% Award 1 year; Most Likely To Be Famous; Best Dressed; Most Fun To Be Around
Future Plans: I plan to attend McMurry University and become an athletic coach and language arts teacher.



JERRY RUSSELL DANIEL
Son of Mark & Lisa Daniel
Extracurricular Activities: Basketball 1 year; Football 1 year
Awards and Honors: Honorable Mention in Basketball
Future Plans: I plan to attend college.



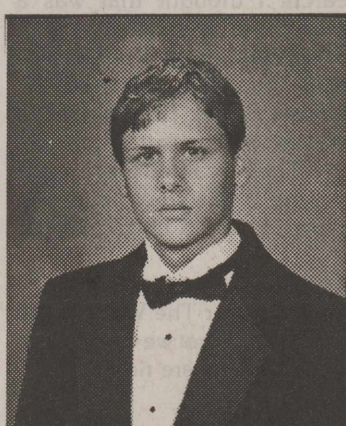
AUSTIN GLEN DUNAWAY
Son of Wayne & Karen Lenz, Bruce & Elisha Dunaway
Extracurricular Activities: Band 2 years; Basketball 3 years; Football 1 year; Golf 3 years; Track 3 years; Key Club 4 years; PALS 1 year; Cross Country 2 years; OAP 3 years
Awards and Honors: Key Club President in 06-07, Key Club Ambassador 07-08
Future Plans: I plan on attending CJC for 2 years and then transfer to Texas Tech and pursue a career in Aeronautics.



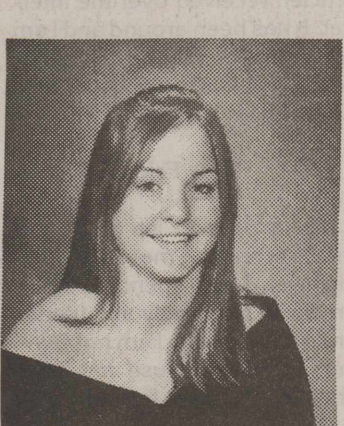
JENNY MARIE LEWIS
Daughter of Terry & Dixie Lewis
Extracurricular Activities: Golf 1 year; Key Club 4 years; PALS 1 year; Cross Country 1 year; FFA 2 years
Awards and Honors: Officer in Key Club 1 year
Future Plans: I plan to graduate from University of Texas in Austin with a Business Degree, and eventually become a chef.

FAVORITE TEACHERS

Laci Bean
Gary Webb

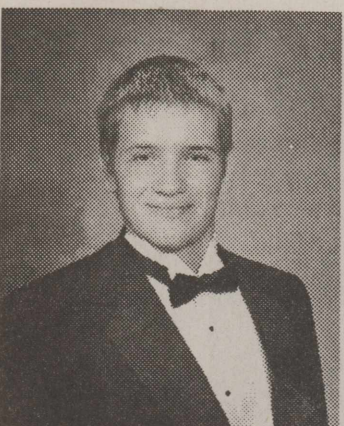


NICK RYAN GARRETT
Son of Robert Garrett & Sharon Garrett
Extracurricular Activities: Football 3 years; Golf 1 year
Future Plans: I plan to attend Wyotech in Laramie, Wyoming to be a Exotic Car Technician.

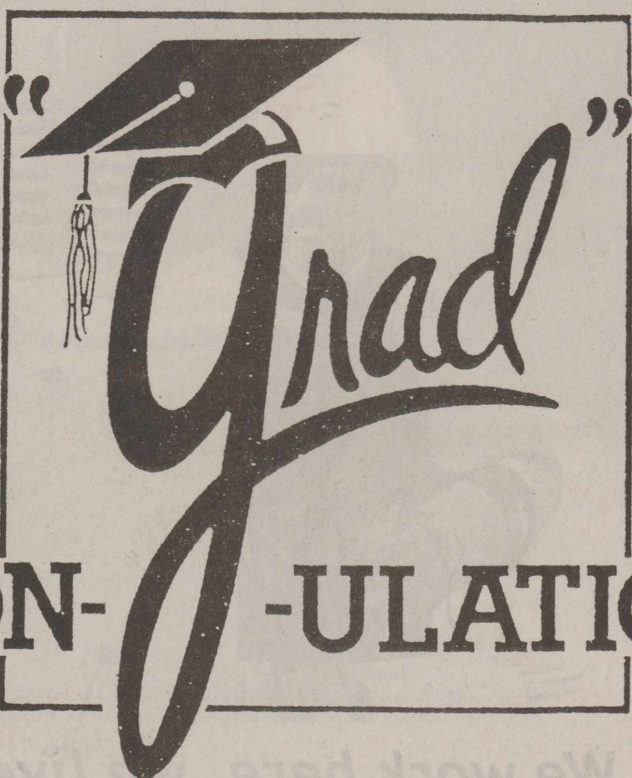


BETTY LOUISE MATHEWS
Daughter of George & Verna Mathews
Extracurricular Activities: Band 2 years; Basketball 2 years; Key Club 2 years; PALS 1 year; OAP 1 year; FFA 4 years; FCCLA 2 years
Awards and Honors: Class Clown; Most Spirited; Best Skipper; Most Outspoken; Biggest Complainer
Future Plans: I plan to finish my ECA and earn my EMT this summer. I will attend CJC in the fall to become a R.N. and then a Paramedic. I will work for a "care flight" for at least 2 years.

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CHARLES EDWARD CASE
Son of Stacy Case
Awards and Honors: Spanish Award; Most Unique
Future Plans: I plan on becoming a graphic designer.



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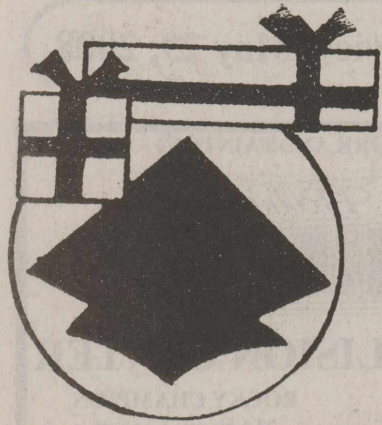
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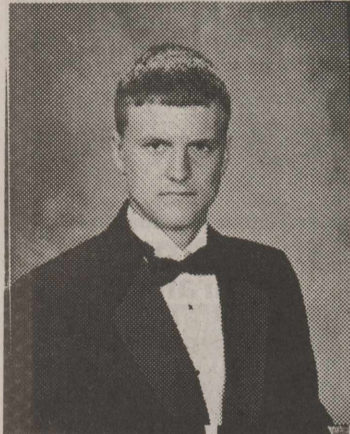
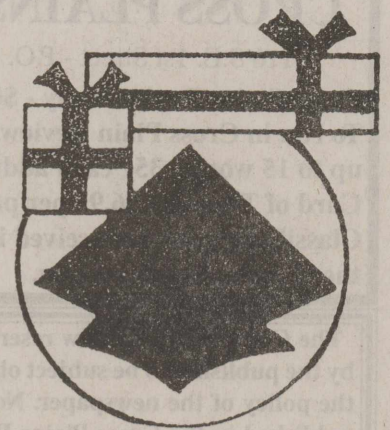
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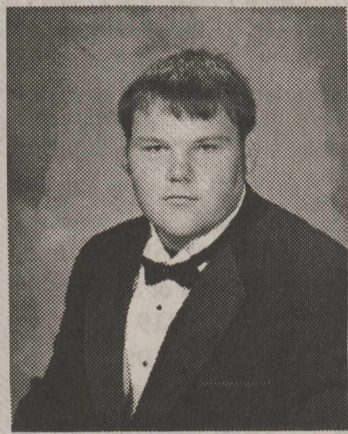
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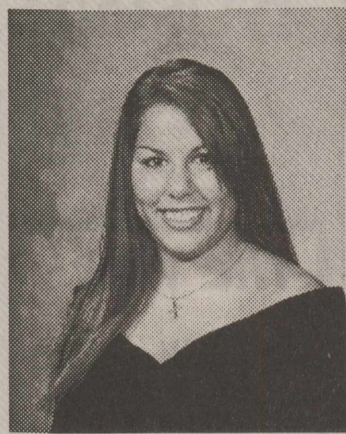
MARKUS GLEN MAXWELL

Son of Glen & Susan Maxwell
Extracurricular Activities: Baseball 4 years; Basketball 2 years; Football 4 years; Track 3 years; Key Club 3 years; NHS 2 years; FFA 4 years
Awards and Honors: Jr. Class Treasurer, Sr. FFA Treasurer; Stock Show 4 years
Future Plans: I plan to attend CJC for 2 years, and then transfer to Tarleton State University and earn a Vet Science or Animal Science degree. I desire to succeed in all I set forth to do.



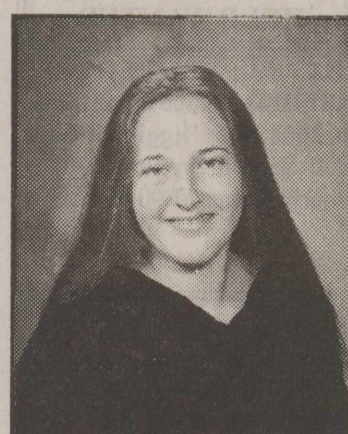
JACOB LEE MELTON

Son of Bill Melton
Extracurricular Activities: Band 1 year; Baseball 3 years; Football 3 years; Track 3 years; FFA 1 year
Awards and Honors: 1st In State Track; Biggest Complainer; Most Outspoken; 2nd Team All-District Pitcher; 1st Team All-District Defensive Tackle
Future Plans: I plan to attend CJC for 2 years and then transfer to become a Certified Harley Technician.



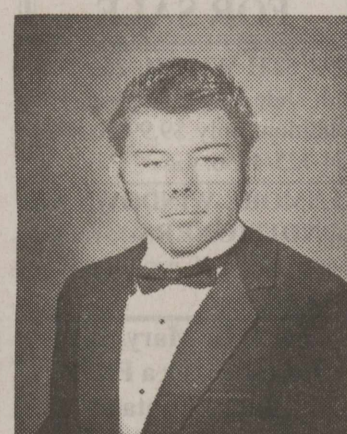
BRYANNA MAY SANTOS

Daughter of Jed & Tani Pointer
Extracurricular Activities: Band 2 years; UIL 2 years; PALS 1 year; FCCLA 4 years
Future Plans: I plan to attend a summer Massage Therapy Program. Two years later I plan to attend Nursing School to become a Registered Nurse.



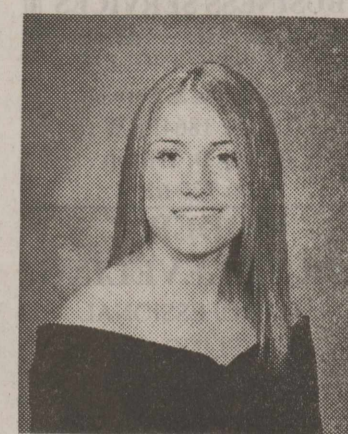
STARLA JANE SCHAEFER

Daughter of Phillip & Susan Schaefer
Extracurricular Activities: Band 4 years; Basketball 2 years; Golf 2 years; Track 2 years; UIL 3 years; Key Club 4 years; PALS 1 year; Cross Country 2 years; NHS 2 years; OAP 3 years; FFA 1 year; FCCLA 1 year
Awards and Honors: Soph. Class Treasurer, Drum Major 4 years; Key Club Secretary 2 years
Future Plans: I plan a career in Criminal Justice/Paralegal.



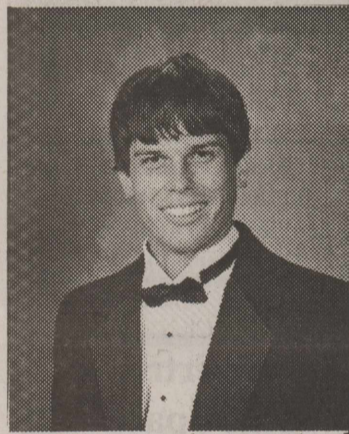
JERRY RAY SIMONS

Son of Robert Simons
Future Plans: I plan to become a policeman or maybe a firefighter.



BRITTANY NICOLE FRANKE STOUT

Daughter of Aubrey & Kala Stout
Extracurricular Activities: Band 1 year; Basketball 1 year; Track 1 year; Key Club 2 years; Cross Country 1 year; FFA 4 years; FCCLA 1 year
Awards and Honors: Sr. Class Reporter, Prettiest Smile
Future Plans: I plan on majoring in Secondary Education and becoming a high school english teacher.



WILLIAM ORIS MEADOR

Son of Jerry & Shirley Smith & Diana Green
Extracurricular Activities: Football 3 years; Track 2 years; Cross Country 1 year
Future Plans: I plan to attend TSTC in Brownwood to study Welding Technology.



CANDANCE ELAINE RISTER

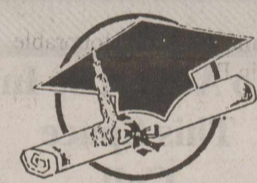
Daughter of Dale & Jana Rister
Extracurricular Activities: Band 6 years; Key Club 2 years; PALS 1 year; OAP 3 years; FFA 3 years
Awards and Honors: Colorguard Captain 3 years; 1st place in San Angelo Stock Show Cooking, OAP advanced to Area
Future Plans: I plan to attend college at Tarrant County College in Fort Worth to receive my RN Degree.

Class Colors

Deep Purple
Black and
Silver

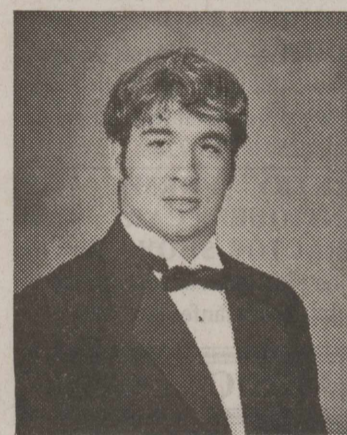
Class Motto

The road goes on forever and the party never ends.



Class Flower

White Rose with Silver Tips



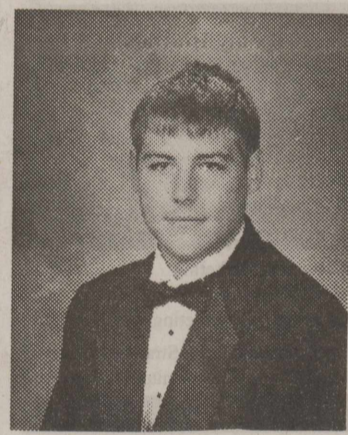
TIMOTHY MARK SMITH

Son of Brian & Merry Smith
Extracurricular Activities: Baseball 2 years; Basketball 1 year; Football 4 years; Golf 1 year; Track 1 year
Future Plans: I plan to attend TSTC in Waco and become a Automotive Tech.



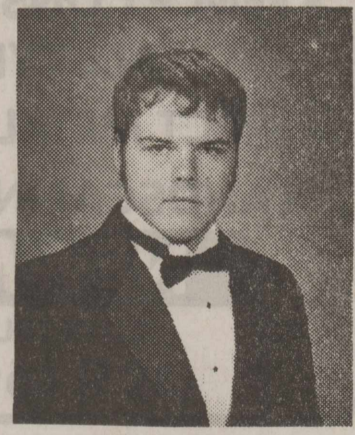
TIFFANY NICOLE WALKER

Daughter of Mike & Tonja Walker
Extracurricular Activities: Basketball Manager 2 years; Softball Manager 1 year; Key Club 4 years; PALS 2 years; Student Council 1 year; NHS 3 years; FFA 4 years; FCCLA 3 years
Awards and Honors: Valedictorian, Class Vice-President; Four-year Academic Scholarship to TWU; \$2,000 Ag Scholarship
Future Plans: I plan to attend Texas Women's University to obtain a degree in Neonatology.



BRADLEY JOE STARNES

Future Plans: I plan to join the Marine Corps or go to work for my dad.



JOSEPH DANIEL WESTERMAN

Son of Ricky Westerman
Extracurricular Activities: Baseball 3 years; Football 4 years; Track 2 years; FFA 3 years
Awards and Honors: Class Favorite 3 years; Most Handsome; Mr. CPHS; Friendliest
Future Plans: I plan to attend Wyotech and receive a certification in Automotive Mechanics and Paint and Body.

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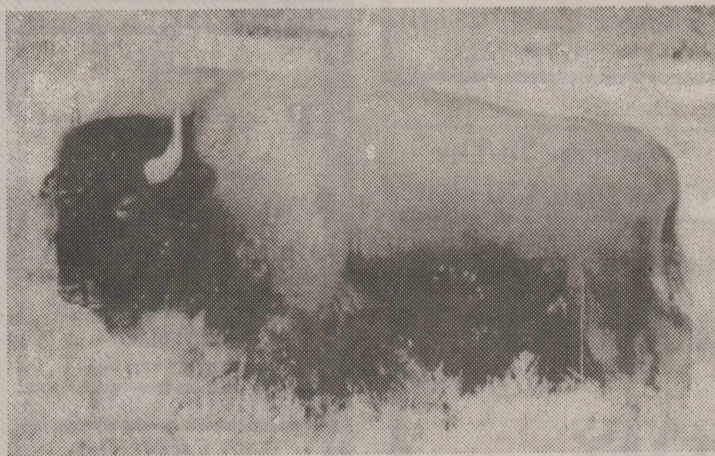
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Hailey Biggs

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Tiffany Walker

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Baird Market Daze set for June 28th

Visitors will have an opportunity to see one of the state's early transportation facilities as Baird celebrates its railroad legacy during Market Daze, an annual downtown event scheduled for Saturday, June 28th.

The fully restored 1911 Texas & Pacific Railroad Passenger Depot will be open for tours and a preview of some collections to be included in its transportation museum will be featured.

Market Street is dubbed "The outdoor walking mall" once a year when vendors selling or trading everything from antiques to zinnias rub shoulders with local antiques/collectibles dealers and specialty shop owners. Market hours are 9:00 a.m. until 6:00 p.m.

Activities will include miniature train rides, model railroads displayed by Abilene Model Railroad Society, line dancers, music and food during the day. An old fashioned street dance featuring Muddy Creek will begin in the middle block at 9:00 a.m.

For information contact Baird Chamber of Commerce, 100 Market Street, Baird, Texas 79504, phone (325) 854-2003.

Submitted by: Tommie Jones

Cross Plains Garden Club Flower Show Results Announced



1ST PLACE—Eva Fleming, 5" Creative Design

The Cross Plains Garden Club held their annual Flower Show on Sunday, May 25th, from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m. in the Heritage Community Room in the Texas Heritage Bank in Cross Plains. This was a beautiful place, recently renovated, and the club appreciated the use of the facility.

Winners of the Flower Show were:

Exhibition Design (3-way tie)

Joyce Odom
Julene Franke
Eva Fleming.

5 Inch Miniature Design

Eva Fleming

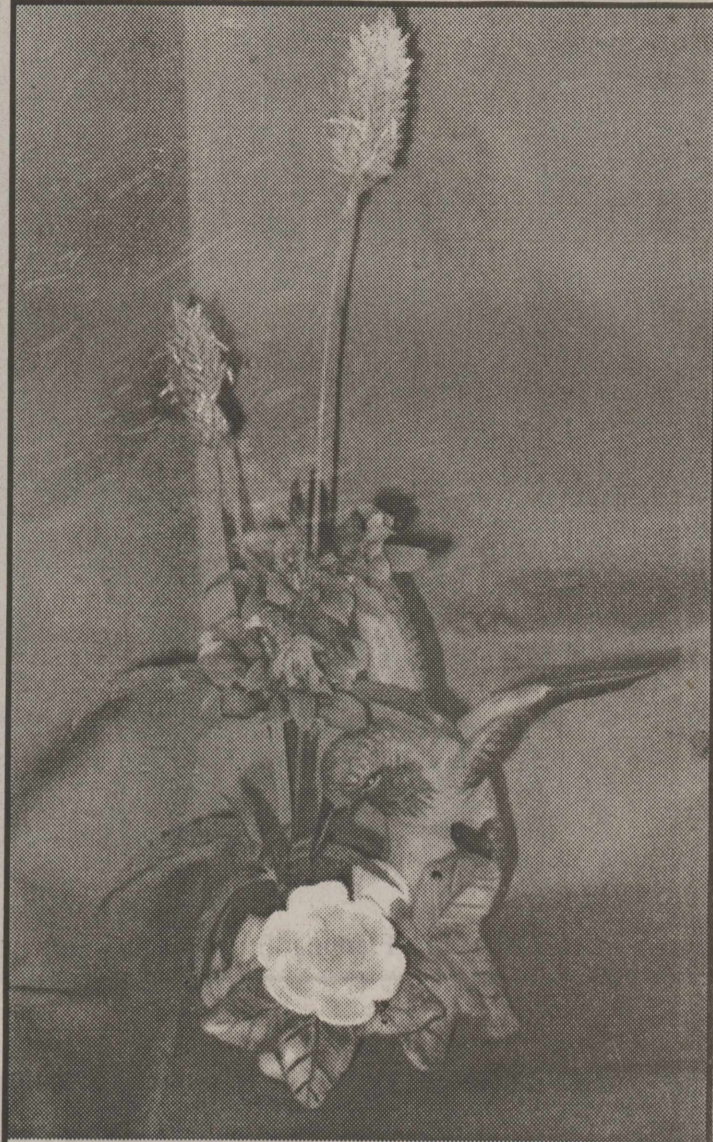
8 Inch Creative Design

Julene Franke.

It was a successful show, even though we are small in members. Members participating were Eva Fleming, Julene Franke, Mary Ella Weaver, Betty Beggs and Joyce Odom.

We appreciated the guests who came and judged the show according to **People's Choice**. Thanks to Frances Thornton for taking the photos.

Submitted by
Joyce Odom, Reporter



1ST PLACE—Julene Franke, 8" Creative Design

This Week in Texas History

By: Bartee Haile

Homeless Children ride the Orphan Train to Texas

MAY 28 - JUN. 3, 2008
The last "Orphan Train" left New York City on May 31, 1929 bound for Sulphur Springs and points west on the Texas compass.

Charles Loring Brace was a college-educated minister and social reformer working in the slums of New York in the middle of the nineteenth century. A person of rare compassion, he was moved most by the plight of the 30,000 homeless children forced to fend for themselves in the metropolis of half a million.

There were many reasons why waifs as young as six wound up on the street in those days. Some were sent by unfit parents to beg for money from better-off strangers or to sell them newspapers and matches. Others were actual orphans, who had lost their parents to violence or disease, while still others had been abandoned by the very people that had brought them into the world.

Brace decided at the age of 26 to devote his life to the children most New Yorkers called "street rats." He could have opened another orphanage or soup kitchen, but the far-sighted idealist felt such well-intentioned institutions instilled a lifelong dependence on charity.

Brace sought instead to help homeless youth become self-sufficient adults able to stand on their own two feet. That was the guiding mission of the Children's Aid Society, which the clergyman founded in 1853.

The CAS began by tending to the urgent needs of street urchins and impoverished single mothers. Various stop-gap programs included free kindergartens, free dental care, job training and placement and temporary housing for homeless boys. But Brace pictured a permanent solution to the

problem - placing New York's unwanted children in loving homes far from the urban cesspool that turned even Charles Dickens' stomach. "In every American community," he wrote, "especially in a western one, there are many spare places at the table of life."

This optimistic belief was the basis for Brace's "Emigration Plan." In 1854 he put his radical theory into practice by sending a group of 46 children to Michigan. Inside a week, each and every one had a new home. Encouraged by this success, the CAP concentrated on relocation. Over the next decade, an annual average of 384 orphaned and abandoned children were taken from the wretched environment of Manhattan and resettled in small towns throughout New England and the eastern Midwest.

After the Civil War, the yearly exodus exploded to a thousand due to the growing number of needy minors. Widows of slain soldiers entrusted their sons and daughters to the Children's Aid Society, as did disillusioned immigrants who found out the boulevards of the Big Apple were not paved with gold. In addition, a rising tide of runaways fleeing neglect and abuse came on their own to the CAP.

Although they usually went by rail, the little refugees and their grown escorts or "agents" rarely filled a passenger car much less an entire train. (A notable exception was a trainload of 300 Catholic kids transported to Louisiana in 1906 by the Sisters of Charity.) The typical group consisted of 30 to 40 children ranging in age from four to 14.

Posters and newspaper articles advertised the arrival of an "Orphan Train," a slang term coined by the public and press, weeks in advance. A large

crowd was always waiting at the station, and the curious followed prospective parents, normally prequalified by a local committee, to the "viewing."

In the book "We Rode the Orphan Trains," a woman who came to Texas in 1918 described what it was like to be put on display. "We were lined up on the stage and all I could see was wall-to-wall people. They surrounded us, made us turn around, lift our skirts to see if our legs were straight, and open our mouths to show our teeth. A very humiliating day."

Placement was hardly an exact science, and more than a few children were exploited and mistreated by their surrogate parents. CAP agents came around once a year to check on their former wards and did not hesitate to rescue them from bad homes. Nevertheless, the CAP conceded in a 1910 report that the end of the line for at least 13 percent of Orphan Train riders was not a happy and healthy place.

Charles Loring Brace's abolitionist bias against the former Confederacy kept the number of trains with southern destinations to a minimum. The Sisters of Charity had no such qualms, however, and may have brought as many children to Texas as the Children's Aid Society.

But the Orphan Trains did come to the Lone Star State, including the final one in May 1929. The children that got off the train at Sulphur Springs on that sunny spring day were the last of an estimated 200,000 brought west in the most unusual migration in American history.

Bartee Haile welcomes your comments, questions and suggestions at HYPERLINK "mailto:haile@pdx.net" haile@pdx.net or P.O. Box 152, Friendswood, TX 77549. And don't forget to visit www.twith.com/

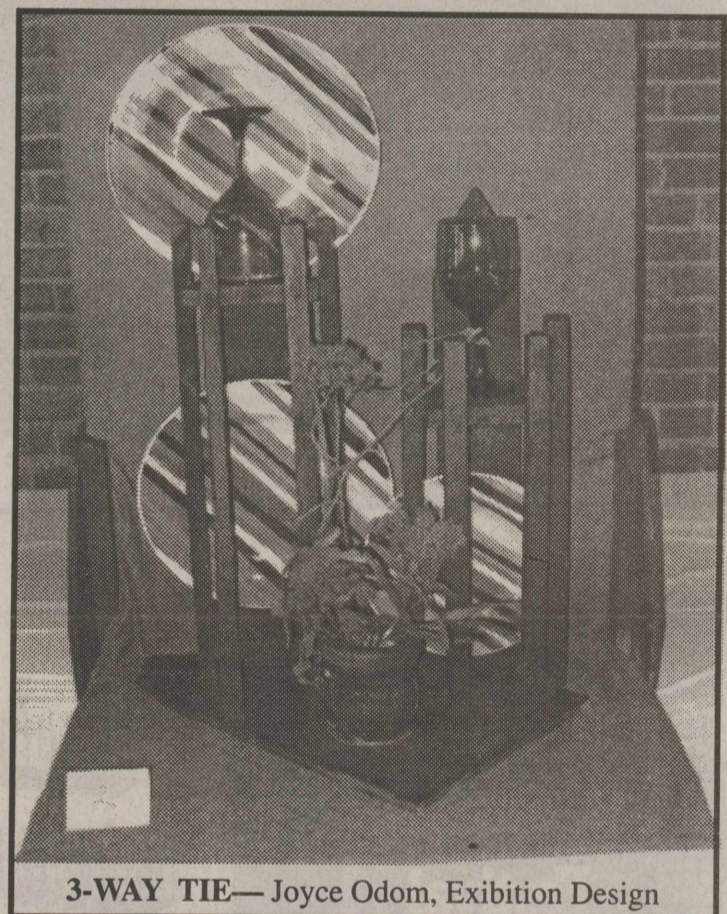
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3-WAY TIE—Joyce Odom, Exhibition Design

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FRIDAY, JUNE 13

- 9:00 - 4:00 REH Museum open (closed for lunch)
- 9:00 - 4:00 Postal Cancellation - Post Office
- 9:30 - 12:30 Walking and Bus tours, leave from Pavilion
- 10:30 Panel at Pavilion - "REH Fanzines / Small Press, Past & Present"
- 12:30 - 4:00 REH Swap Meet - Pavilion
- 2:00 Panel at Pavilion / Ice House - "Ice House Retrospective"
- 5:30 Silent Auction opens - Community Center
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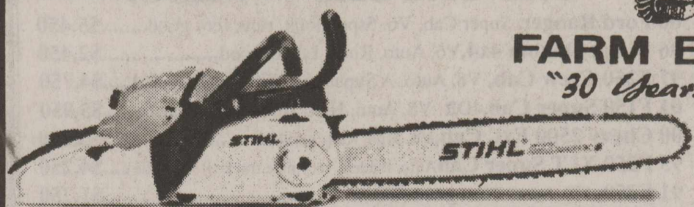
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- 9:00 - 4:00 REH Museum open (closed for lunch)
- 9:30 - 12:30 Walking and Bus tours, leave from Pavilion
- 10:30 Panel at Pavilion - "Deconstructing Blood & Thunder with Mark Finn"
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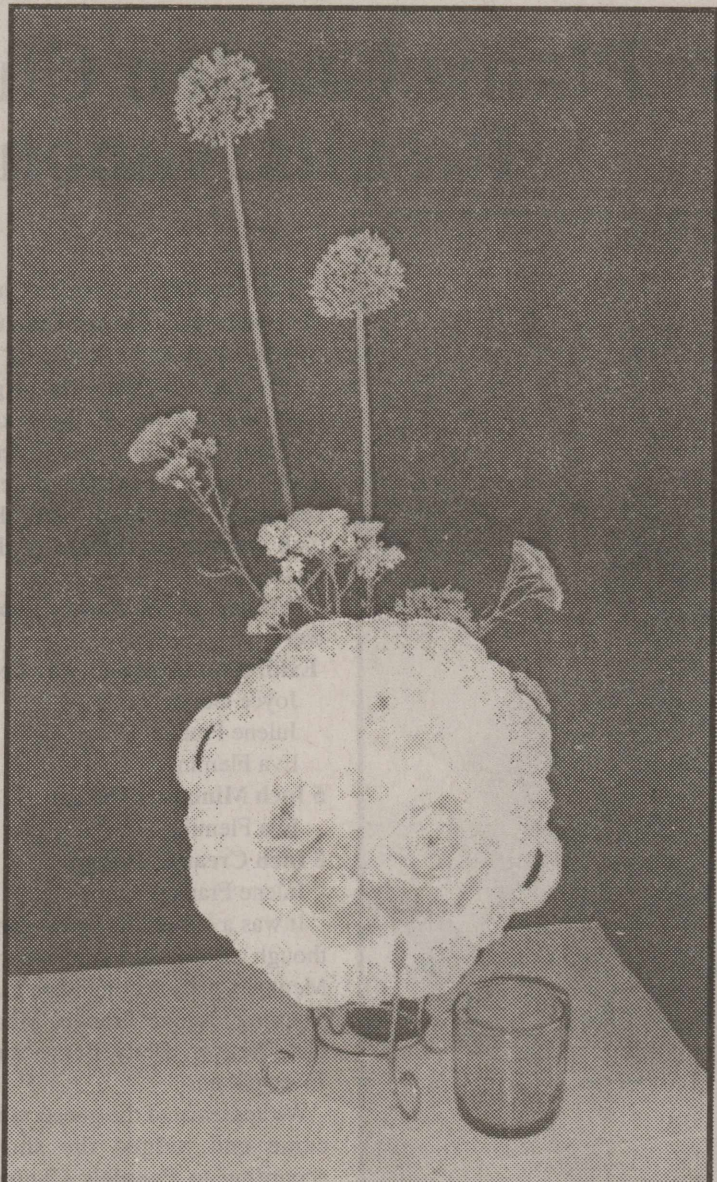


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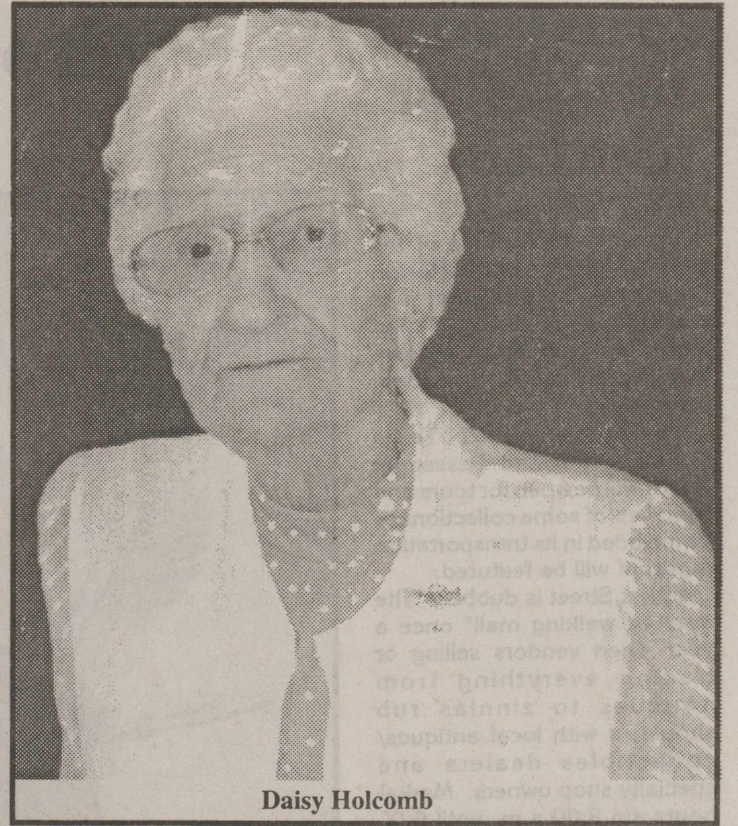
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3-WAY TIE—Eva Fleming, Exhibition Design



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Daisy Holcomb

Local Lady Honored with 97th Birthday Celebration

Daisy Holcomb was honored with a 97th birthday lunch and party on Sunday, May 25th. She turned 97 on Saturday, May 24th. Twenty members of her family joined her for the morning service at the Church of Christ in Cross Plains.

They then went to the Church of Christ Activity Center for lunch and the party. There were 31 members of her family present in all. Daisy has 3 children; 9 grandchildren (1 deceased); 18 great-grandchildren (1 deceased); and 6 great-great-grandchildren. Family came from Hobbs, New Mexico; San Antonio; Kerville; Longview; Huntsville; Conroe; Sweetwater; Lubbock; Anson; Brownwood; Beeville; and Gustine. Friends who were present came from Cross Plains and Rising Star.

The Church of Christ family helped host the lunch and party. We want to thank them so very, very much for all their help and the food they supplied.



CP GARDEN CLUB—Eva Fleming (from left), Joyce Odom, Betty Beggs, Mary Ella Weaver, and Julene Franke

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Rolling Oaks Golf News

Tuesday, May 20th, twenty-two players teed off in the Tuesday ABCD Scramble. Closest the pin on 14 will carry over until June 3, 2008, and on 16 it went to Chris Yancey. The scramble was won by Bruce Rivers, Allen Phillips, Brice Bowden, Kyle Dennis and Chris Yancey.

Remember if you are interested in playing come by the course before 6:00 p.m. on Tuesday and sign up. Cost of the 9 Hole Scramble is \$5.00 per player and \$2.00 for closest to pin. Members have no green fees and cart rental for members is \$3.75 for a cost of \$10.75. Non-member green fee is \$6.50 and cart rental is \$4.50 or \$18.50 total. See you Tuesday. Our Saturday Scramble is held on the second Saturday of the month and the next one will be on June 14 at 1:00 p.m.

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- 7:00 BREAKFAST—SR CITIZENS CENTER
- 9:00 PARADE
- CROSS PLAINS VFD BICYCLE TOUR BEGINS
- KIDS AREA & PETTING ZOO
- VENDORS OPEN
- CAR & TRACTOR SHOW
- BAKE SALE—SR CITIZENS CENTER
- 9:30 CLASS OF '57—STAGE
- 11:00 K-9 RESCUE DEMONSTRATION—STAGE
- 12:00 CLASS OF '57—STAGE
- 1:00 P.M. 42 TOURNAMENT—SR CITIZENS CTR
- 2:00 K-9 RESCUE DEMONSTRATION—STAGE
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00 Ford Explorer, V6, Auto, 4DR (Red) Very Good.....\$5,950
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00 F250 Crew Cab Power Stroke, Runs good.....\$7,950
99 F350 Crew Cab Power Stroke, Runs good.....\$7,950
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97 F250 Super Cab Power Stroke, 5spd, Runs good.....\$5,750
95 F350 Power Stroke, 5spd, Dually, Flat bed, Looks, Runs good.....\$4,975
95 F250 Power Stroke, Super Cab, 5spd, Runs good.....\$4,995
93 F350 Crew Cab Flat Bed Dually, 7.3 Diesel, Runs good.....\$4,750
91 Ford L8000 Turbo Diesel, 22' Alum. Van w/Jimmy Lift, Roll up door 5spd.....\$4,250
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00 Chevy 2500 Ext. Cab, V8, 5spd, Runs good.....\$3,250
95 F250 XLT Super Cab, Auto, loaded, very nice truck (Red/White).....\$4,250
91 F250, V8, Auto, Runs good (Tan).....\$1,250
84 F150, V8, Auto, Looks, Runs good (Blue).....\$1,250
84 F250 Wrecker 4x4, V8, Super Cab, Runs good, New winch.....\$2,250
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