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**TIED 1ST PLACE RED TEAM** — Kenneth Ratliff (bottom, from left), Jody Fortune, Lance Connelly, Dusty Hargrove, and Chance Connelly; Brad Van Slyke (back row, from left), Justin Richter, Clint Bailey, Benji Blackstock, and Cory Spurlock; Coaches Robby Bailey (from left) and Jim Hargrove. Rowdy Dillard, team player, was not available for photo.



**TIED 1ST PLACE GOLD TEAM** — from left, Seth Morgan, Kenny Callaway, and Mitch Munson; Kye King (bottom, from left), Kevin Nickerson, and Scott Brame; Jeremy Box (second row, from left), Justin Hopkins, Carlton Thomas, and Joseph Hopkins; Colby Kelly (third row,



**BASKETBALL PLAYERS** — Jody Brown (from left), Colby Walker, Matt Sowell, and Jason Rutledge.



**1ST PLACE GREEN TEAM** — Jill Potter (front row, from left), Amanda Dillard, Christina Mulvane, and Lindy Merryman; Ashley Beggs (second



**TIED 1ST PLACE BLUE TEAM** — Jody Pancake (bottom, from left), Matt McGowen, Coby Richards, and Terry Brown; Jaden Winfrey (second row, from left), Royce Gomillion, Charlie Clark, and Ben Childers; Nick

## Cross Plains Varsity Boys Finish Third In District

By CAROL ATCHLEY

The Cross Plains Varsity boys finished third in this year's district competition. The Buffalo basketball team this year consisted of Jason Fleming (freshman), Jason Rutledge, Michael Cowan, and Brandon Smith (all sophomores), Jody Brown, Colby Walker, Matt Sowell, and Justin Whittitt (juniors), and Seniors Roger Rudloff and Kyle Foster.

According to Coach Glenn Hartson, 4 of the team members were selected

for All-District honors this year. Colby Walker took top honors with his selection for Co-Most Valuable Player in the district. Jody Brown was chosen for First Team All-District; Matt Sowell was elected to the Second Team All-District; and finally, Jason Rutledge was chosen for Honorable Mention All-District.

Congratulations to the boys basketball team for a good year, and with another year of experience behind them, they are looking forward to next year's season.

## 13 Years Of Successful Pee Wee Basketball

By CHARLES CHESHIR

Approximately 100 local children in Cross Plains once again participated in a truly exceptional program. The Pee Wee Basketball program, in its thirteenth year, completed the final part of its schedule Saturday night. The program consisted of eight boys and girls teams in grades 3 through 5, and two teams in grade 6.

Participants in the program benefit in a number of ways. First, are the obvious benefits of physical exercise and early introduction to an enjoyable sport. Second, the children gain valuable experience in playing together as a team, which will benefit their future participation in the Cross Plains Schools Athletic Program. Thirdly, and perhaps most important, is the value of competitive team sports in the life of a young student. Educational and business professionals for many years have recognized a relationship between students who participated in a successful athletic program and their subsequent success in a chosen profession.

Young people learn to work together as a group and make decisions on their feet. These two aspects of competitive team sports cannot be learned in a class, but are valuable assets in a child's education. Pee Wee basketball offers a nurturing environment for children to experience the above benefits before they reach their teenage years.

The heart and success of our program in Cross Plains is attributed to parents who give so much as volunteers to make the program work. The coaches who volunteer countless hours to practice and game time must go at the top of the list. Without them the program simply wouldn't be possible. They deserve recognition and congratulations from our community for a job well done.

The coaches did an outstanding job, but the support of other parents doing what they could in not so visible positions was also vital to the nuts and bolts operation. A very special thank-you must go to Melissa Richards, Kathy Chesshir, and each person who so willingly gave their time to take money at the door, work so diligently in the concession stand, and run the scoreboard for 30 hours of game time. Thank you all. Your effort did not go unnoticed.

Finally, a big thank-you to all in the community for coming out and supporting the children. Your attendance and support made possible the uniforms and trophies and also made a contribution to our future program.

Don't miss the remainder of the program as our sixth grade boys and girls finish their schedule. It is published elsewhere in the Review.

See Other Basketball Photos On Page 4

## Wednesday, March 20 Deadline For City And School Board Filings

There are two positions with three year terms open and one with one year term on the Cross Plains I.S.D. School Board. Donnie Dillard and Randy Montgomery's terms will expire and the one year was created when Charles Chesshir was required to resign due to the hiring of his brother-in-law, Doug Dallas, as Athletic Director and Head Football Coach.

Incumbents Montgomery and Dillard have announced their candidacy for the trustee election. No other filings have been made.

Drawing for ballot positions will be held Thursday, March 21, at 10 a.m. at the superintendent's office.

The City Council also has three positions to fill. Ted McKeenan,

Donald Beeler, and Leon Nixon's terms will expire. All three have announced their candidacy for reelection.

Gene Dillard and James Nichols have filed in the election. Terms for the council seats are two years.

The final day to file application for both elections is March 20.

## New Chief Of Police Named

The City of Cross Plains has employed Steve Williamson, of Anson, as the new Chief of Police. Williamson is currently employed as patrolman for the City of Childress. Williamson is married and has two children.

He is to begin his duties with the city on March 18.

## Colonial Oaks Services

Old Time Gospel Mission will conduct worship services at Colonial Oaks Nursing Home on Sunday, March 17, commencing at 3:30 p.m.

## Cottonwood Musical Scheduled March 15

Musical night will be held at the Cottonwood Community Center Friday, March 15. Country western music entertainment will commence at 6:30 p.m. All area musicians are invited to bring their instruments and bands to participate on the evening program. Mr. Smokey Callaway is the emcee.

Chicken and dumplings will be featured on the evening menu at \$2 a bowl, along with other refreshments. Serving time begins at 5:30 p.m. No admission fee is charged and lots of parking spaces are available.



**CONGRATULATIONS, ROWDY** — Local 4th grader, Rowdy Dillard's steer chosen Reserve Champion at Houston Stock Show.

## Rowdy Dillard Exhibited Reserve Champion Steer At Houston

Rowdy Dillard's 1,282-pound steer, Tejas, was named the Reserve Champion Steer at the Houston Livestock Show. Tejas is a Maine Anjou and Chianina Cross and competed in the Class 068 Heavy Weight Other Breeds and Crossbred Steers.

Ten-year-old Rowdy is a member of

the Cross Plains FFA, and this is his second time to show at the Houston show.

"He did a great job of showing for such a little guy," Roy Richey, Rowdy's agriculture teacher, said.

Rowdy is the son of Dean and Vicki Dillard of Cross Plains.



# OBITUARIES

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School and graduated from Cross Plains High School in 1949.

He married Christine Ingram July 5, 1952 at Cottonwood and they then moved from Cross Plains to Abilene.

Mr. Webb worked in the sales office at Ben E. Keith Produce for 28 years (1961-1989) and was a member of the Grace Methodist Church.

He was preceded in death by a daughter, Sandra Kay Webb in 1963.

Survivors include his wife, Christine Ingram Webb of Abilene; a son, Steve Webb of Abilene; a daughter, Christie Harrison of Abilene; his mother, Ora Bell Webb of Cross Plains; and three grandchildren, Krystal Webb, Steven Webb, and Samantha Harrison, all of Abilene.

## 'Dort' Carrico

**BAIRD** — Dorothy "Dort" Estes Carrico, 65, died Saturday in an Alpine hospital.

Services were held at 10:30 a.m. Wednesday at First United Methodist Church with the Rev. Daniel Moore officiating. Burial was in Ross Cemetery, directed by Parker Funeral Home.

Mrs. Carrico was a lifetime resident of Baird. She was the granddaughter of the late W.E. Gilliland, who was

the founder of the *Baird Star*, which is now *Callahan County Star*.

She was a retired dental assistant, a member of First United Methodist Church and the widow of Wilburn Mobley Carrico.

Survivors include two daughters, Carley Lethco of Alpine and Lisa Walker of Pecos; a niece, Cheryl Atkinson of Lawrenceville, Ga.; a nephew, Bob Sims of Breckenridge; and three grandchildren.

Memorials may be made to First United Methodist Church.

## MINUTE MUSINGS

By ESTHLOY S. DICKSON

This Monday morning is quite nice — only a wee bit of wind — not much sunshine either — but it is early. I have a lot of daffodils gracing my front yard — and there is a bush in the backyard which is a solid mass of rose-colored blossoms. I don't know its name — I just wish I had it in my front yard. My pear trees are a solid mass of beautiful blossoms.

One week ago I attended the AARP meeting. We appreciated Mr. Don Tabor being with us, and enjoyed his informative message. We are fortunate to have him as our publisher of the *Review*.

My first granddaughter, Lisa Dawn, will be twelve, I believe, on the 14th. They all are just too far away from "grandma Shorty".

Betty Beggs and Marianne Taff stopped in Comanche on their way to Stephenville on Friday of last week. They looked over an arts and crafts shop, also a frame shop. On Sunday afternoon they attended an art exhibit in Stephenville in which Betty had an exhibit — she won a second place. I think that is great!

Sara McGowen stated that "PeeWee" basketball had taken much of their time the past week. Their son, Matthew, is active in that endeavor and they all support him to the fullest degree.

George Roady of Dallas spent Friday through Sunday with his family here. Bob and Sally's daughter, Cindy, called in during the weekend. She was in Chicago. I'm so glad she stays in touch with them! Grandson, Charlie, is active in "PeeWee" basketball. Three teams tied this weekend, and they won a trophy.

They picked up Ms. Nettie Roady at Hendrick Memorial on Friday and brought her to N.A. Roady's home. She will return to the nursing home this week.

## Official State Domino Tourney Slated April 6

The Childress Volunteer Fire Department of Childress, Texas is hosting the third annual Official Texas State Championship Domino Tournament April 6.

Persons interested in participating may receive information by contacting: Childress Volunteer Fire Department, P.O. Box 81, Childress, Texas 79201.

## HAPPY BIRTHDAY

**MARCH 15**  
Traci Franke  
Ethel Champion  
Debra Denise Stout  
Joe McNeel  
James Barr  
Betty Albrecht  
J.T. Beggs  
Vicky Nigar  
Tracy Lee Long  
Marian (Odom) Scott  
Randy Walker  
Colt Self  
William Hines  
Myra Irwin

**MARCH 16**  
Leonard Jay  
Beatrice Calhoun  
Rick Neal  
Shanda McClure  
Ralph A. Koenig  
Mrs. Buddy Hardin  
Eddy Don Edmondson  
Becky Self  
Janna Pickett  
Mark Baum  
Estelle Freeland  
Robert Kuner

**MARCH 17**  
Mrs. Fritz Barnett  
Albert Givens  
Arnold Childers  
Irene Childers  
Irene Dempsey  
Reggy Stover  
Vondal Hutchins  
Margni Wilson  
Mrs. Mary Hayes  
Randy Rucker  
T.J. Harris

**MARCH 18**  
Henry Ring  
Gall Walker  
Bruce Johnson  
Tomi Kye King  
Jay Wilcoxon  
Chandra Heath  
Tina Michelle Evans  
Wilda Edington  
Faye Renfro  
Dorothy Merilyn Whiteley  
Kimberly Merrill  
Bonnie Jo Gosnell

**MARCH 19**  
Jody (Peavy) Archer  
Mike Browning  
Gadavous Edwards  
Mrs. S.M. Smith  
Ticia Dee (Wilson) Elkin

**MARCH 20**  
Betty Ann Aiken  
Nora Jean Odom  
Dora Jane Smith  
Darwin Anderson  
Mike Duke  
Sandra Kelly  
Jeffery Champion  
Howard Lee  
Peggy Brame  
Dana Kay Moore  
Howard Phillips

**MARCH 21**  
Linda (Whitton) Hill  
Wesley Markham  
Mrs. Grace Fortune  
Lisa Vaught  
Laura Ann Baum  
Wesley Banks  
Selena Twiner  
Donna Roe  
Andrea Hamer

## COLONIAL OAKS NURSING HOME NEWS

By LINDA EDINGTON  
Activity Director

We have started a resident Council. During this meeting once a month the residents have the opportunity to voice any changes or suggestions in the home they may have. As employees, we will be able to meet the needs of our residents more and make their stay here with us more pleasant. The residents voted on a president and a vice president. E.K. Coppinger was voted president and Anne Belle Vaught will serve as vice president. I will be their secretary.

A great appreciation to Shirley Weingarten for coming and doing the in-room activities for those residents that are unable to attend the group activities.

The residents enjoyed the songs that were sung by Cindy Lee, Amy Strength, and Angie Clowers, Acteens from Pioneer Baptist Church.

We would like to welcome home, Ava Talley and Nettie Roady, who were in the hospital and are now back with us.

Our thoughts and prayers go out to a fellow employee, Joyce Wetsel, L.V.N. who is in the hospital. Hurry back, Joyce. We love you and miss you very much.

Bertha Lee Calderon from San Antonio and Joe and Edna Bentley from Eula were here visiting Bertha Bentley.

Eloise Watson from Stephenville was here visiting with Rhoda Lawson.

Sarah Adams from Coleman was here visiting Anne Belle Vaught.

Carol Rogers from Cottonwood and Shannen and Alex Davis from Splendora, Texas were here visiting Lora Pugh.

Betty Beggs from Rising Star was here visiting May Bell Odom.

Jack and Zora DeBusk from Burkett were visiting H.H. McDermett.

Rev. Phillip, Starla and Tonya Schaefer were here visiting everyone.

Roy Tatom was here visiting W.M. Stansbury.

Kellie Lanham from Graham and Louise Richardson were here visiting E.K. Coppinger.

Jewel Thompson was here visiting everybody.

Activities during the week:

Monday: Bingo game winners were Helen Wood (4), Midge McCall (3), Clevia Ringhoffer, Bertha Hoyt (2), Anne Belle Vaught, and Lucille Stone. Exercise class. In-room activities with Shirley Weingarten.

Tuesday: Art class. Dominoes and popcorn.

Wednesday: Sing-a-Long with Ruby McCowen, Ozella Huddleston, Clyde Linker, Ernestine Watson, Wayne and Wilda Dennis, Mabel Halsell, Vera Pearl Bunnell, and Vernie McMillan. In-room activities with Shirley Weingarten. Thanks, Shirley.

Thursday: Linen folding. Story time with Nelda Holmes.

Friday: Bingo winners were Clevia Ringhoffer (2), Lora Pugh, Helen Wood, Midge McCall, Anne Belle Vaught (3), Madie Chambers, Mable Burchfield, and E.K. Coppinger. Afternoon singing with Ruby McCowen, Naomi McCowen, and Vernie McMillan. We missed you, Bobby Jack. Hope to see you this week.

*Gentle words fall lightly but they have great weight.*

## Senior Citizens Tri-Athlon Postponed

The Senior Citizens Tri-Athlon that was scheduled for March 14 has been postponed until further notice. Vicky Worley, center director, will announce a date when scheduled.

## Drawing Nigh To God Fellowship Friday, March 6

The Drawing Nigh To God Fellowship Meeting will be at the Pentecostal Church in Pioneer on Friday night, March 29, beginning at 7 p.m.

Afterwards the observance of the Lord's Supper and a Foot Washing is planned. This night is the beginning of the Jewish Passover.

Everyone is invited to stay for all the activities.

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**2ND PLACE GREEN TEAM** — Scott Hutton (bottom, from left) and Benji Switzer; James Chance (second row, from left), Robert Hutton, Claren Sliger, and Josh Goble; Craig

Rogers (third row, from left), Sam Nixon, Ben Worley, and Dusty Hinkle; Coaches Jana Hinkle and Leon Nixon. Jody Gosnell was not available for photo.



**2ND PLACE BLUE TEAM** — Coach Joe Besselaar (front row, from left), Mindy Mitchell, Donna Besselaar, and LeaJean Wyatt; Shan-

nadon Black (back row, from left), April Potter, Misty Kelly, and Mary Jo Nickerson.



**SIXTH GRADE GIRLS** — Shanna Hutton (back row, from left), Crystal Davis, Malysa Sowell, and Jaonna Harris; Connie Stout (middle, from left), Shannon Petty, Brandi Monsey,

and Nikki Beggs; Jennifer Hogan (kneeling, from left), and Candice Eppard. Zanda Ward was not available for the photo. The team is coached by Debbie Bacon.



**3RD PLACE RED TEAM** — Jolena Fleming (front row, from left), Chandra Heath, Laci Key, and Nikki Bushnell; Coach Glenn Heath (back, from left), Tabitha Clark, Kimberly

Ratliff, Amy Hale, and Coach Kala (Pill) Key. Mandy Bushnell and Amber Taff were not available for the photo.



**4TH PLACE GOLD TEAM** — Britany Bennett (front row, from left), Brandy Hutton, Jodi Payne, and Coach Pam Hutton; Jennifer Brame (second row, from left), Elizabeth

McCarty, and JaDeana Nolan; Coach Gary Childers (top, from left), Coach Cindy Payne, and Jessica Childers. Christine Hargrove was unavailable for the photo.



**SIXTH GRADE BOYS** — Justin Richey (back row, from left), Hugo Maurico, Charlie Cornett, Porcious Potter, and Cory Switzer; Brandon Stover (front, from left), Jason Carey,

and Andrew Cosper. Jeremy Barnett, Shawn Jones, and Lee Wayne Wheeler were unavailable for the photo. The team is coached by Dianna Stover.

## Baird Tennis Tourney Results

By COACH MACK McCONAL

Cross Plains Tennis Team was in

Baird Saturday, March 9, for a 3-way meet with Baird and Albany. The team did an outstanding job and won 14 out of 19 matches.

Girls singles won 5 out of 6 matches, and girls doubles won 5 out of 5 matches.

Boys singles won 3 out of 6, and boys doubles won 1 out of 2 matches.

**Results were:**  
**Girls Singles**  
Bagley — (8-3) Baird.  
Bagley — (8-4) Baird.  
Glover — (8-3) Baird.  
Newman — (8-0) Albany.  
Casper — (3-8) Baird.  
Casper — (8-1) Baird.

**Girls Doubles**  
Hutton/Newman — (8-3) Baird.  
Glover/Newman — (8-0) Baird.  
Cortez/Hutton — (8-1) Albany.  
Cortez/Hutton — (8-3) Baird.  
Glover/Newman — (8-1) Albany.

**Boys Singles**  
Rodney Rudloff — (8-5) Albany.  
Rodney Rudloff — (6-8) Baird.  
Jason Rutledge — (8-4) Baird.  
Justin Whitsitt — (3-8) Baird.  
Randy Stephenson — (8-5) Albany.

**Boys Doubles**  
Whitsitt/Rudloff — (7-9) Albany.  
Crockett/Morgan — (8-6) Albany.  
The team will compete at Cross Plains on March 15-16 for their tournament. There are a limited number of entries, but competition will be tough.

## Boys Golf Team Results

By DANIEL CROCKETT

The boys golf team from Cross Plains High School competed in a golf tournament in Eastland Monday, March 11. The top four scorers at the tournament from Cross Plains were Kenny Horan, Chad Coker, Brandon Smith, and Roger Rudloff. Although they did not place in the tournament, they are optimistic about their future meets.

Other golf team members include: Steve Fortune, Gary Hargrove, and Rodney Rudloff.

The boys and girls golf teams will travel to Tolar for their next meet on March 27.



**PEE WEE REFEREES** — Kyle Foster, Angie Purvis, and Teri Abernathy (not pictured) served as referees

during the season. They did an excellent job!

## Beta Sigma Phi Scholarship

Beta Sigma Phi is sponsoring a scholarship for seniors. Each applicant must complete the following:

1. The attached information sheet.  
2. A typed, double spaced, essay of approximately three pages on one of the following:

(A) AIDS: Describe the development of AIDS as a major disease in this country including research on treatments, and give your opinion as to the long range effects this disease will have on our society and economy.

(B) The Draft: Describe the history of the use of the draft in this country including exemptions, deferments, etc., and give your opinion as to future use of the draft and changes in the parts of the population eligible for the draft due to our experiences in Panama and in the Iraqi conflict.

(C) Iraq and the Palestine Issue: Describe the invasion of Kuwait by Iraq and the takeover of Palestine by Israel, and give your opinion as to whether the situations are comparable and whether the changes in Palestine should be a part of negotiations with Iraq.

3. A complete bibliography — Notice that each topic includes a portion that will require research from outside sources, as well as a portion where you make predictions based on your own opinions.)

Deliver your essay to Kim Childers by Friday, April 5, 1991. Academic achievement and financial need will not be factors in awarding the scholarship. This scholarship may be used at any institution of higher learning. The \$300 scholarship will be presented at senior graduation. If you have any questions, please contact Kim Childers at 725-6806 or 725-6121.

## Golfery Tee-Off

By DANIEL CROCKETT

Monday, March 4, Cross Plains competed in a girls golf tournament with twelve schools competing in the event, and the Cross Plains High School girls finished fifth overall. Schools placing ahead of Cross Plains were Hamlin, Cisco, Clyde, and Albany in that order.

Golf team members who competed were Trella Cork, Terri Abernathy, Angie Purvis, Amy Welch, Jamie Jones, and Sonya Renfro, who competed as a medalist.

Tracy Erwin and Michelle Richardson are also golf team members, but they were unable to attend.

## Sixth Grade Girls Win Rising Star Tourney — Boys Take Second Place

The Sixth Grade girls team traveled to Rising Star for their first game Friday, March 8. The girls defeated Rising Star for a position in the Final Championship game. Saturday they defeated May for a first place win. The girls played well and look forward to a successful season.

**Scores:**  
Cross Plains vs. Rising Star 20-10  
Cross Plains vs. May 14-13

**Statistics (2 game total):**  
**Rebounds**

Jaonna Harris .....16  
Malysa Sowell .....20  
Jennifer Hogan .....3  
Candice Eppard .....4  
Shanna Hutton .....5

Nikki Beggs .....1  
Crystal Davis .....8  
Shannon Petty .....2  
Zanda Ward .....1  
Brandi Monsey .....1  
Connie Stout .....1

### Assists

Jaonna Harris .....2  
Jennifer Hogan .....2

### Points

Jaonna Harris .....10  
Malysa Sowell .....17  
Shanna Hutton .....4  
Crystal Davis .....2  
Shannon Petty .....1

The Sixth Grade boys team finished in second place at the tourney. Stats were not available at press time.

## Gorman Relays Results

The Cross Plains Boys Track Team competed in the Gorman Relays last weekend. The track team did very well, finishing in 3rd place with 87 points.

Travis Jordan — 1st, Shot Put, 43'9"

Shawn McKeehan — 5th, Shot Put, 35'7½"

Travis Jordan — 3rd, Discus, 109'

Coby Childers — 6th, Discus, 88'7"

Brandon Smith — 4th, High Jump, 5'8"

Chris Key — 2nd, Pole Vault, 11'6"

Brandon Smith — 2nd, Triple Jump, 40'2¾"

Carlile Albrecht — 3rd, 3200 Meter Run, 12:17.08

Jody Brown — 1st, 110 High Hurdles, 15.36

Jody Brown — 1st, 300 Int. Hurdles, 41.34

Jacob Barron — 5th, 100 Meter Dash, 11.69

Michael Cowan — 4th, 400 Meter Dash, 1:02.14

Kelly Barclay — 5th, 400 Meter Dash, 1:03.11

Chris Key — 4th, 300 Int. Hurdles, 46:15"

Jacob Barron — 4th, 200 Meter Dash, 24.63

Carlile Albrecht — 5th, 1600 Meter Run, 5:30.65

The Cross Plains girls also competed in the Gorman Relays and did very well, finishing in 2nd place with a 110 points.

Tamara Flippin — 3rd, Triple Jump, 31'7¼"

Brandi Eppard — 4th, Discus, Mandy Sowell — 1st, Shot Put, 32'9½"

Rhonda Swift — 4th, Shot Put, 28'3"

Carie Renfro — 3rd, Shot Put, 4'8"

Amy Welch — 4th, High Jump, 14'10"

Tamara Flippin — 1st, Long Jump, 2:40.75

Tonya Steele — 2nd, 800 Meter Run, 13:09.09

Tonya Steele — 1st, 3200 Meter Run, 56:02

Tamara Flippin — 4th, 100 Meter Dash, 28:84

Amy Welch — 3rd, 100 Meter Hurdles, 56:02

Tamara Flippin — 2nd, 200 Meter Dash, 53:17

Amy Welch — 2nd, 300 Meter Hurdles, 18:24

Heather Montgomery, Amy Welch, Glenda Evans, and Tamara Flippin — 4th, 400 Meter Relay, 56:02

Heather Montgomery — 6th, 100 Meter Hurdles, 44:00

Connie Steele — 4th, 400 Meter Dash, 16:00

Connie Steele — 4th, 1600 Meter Run, 46:15"

Mandi Sowell — 6th, Discus, 32:9½"

Amy Welch — 4th, Triple Jump, 32:9½"

**SCHOOL LUNCH MENU**

MARCH 18 — 22

(Subject to Change)

### BREAKFAST

**MONDAY** — Oatmeal, sausage, toast, grape juice, milk.

**TUESDAY** — Choice of ready to eat cereal, peanut butter, syrup, orange juice, milk.

**WEDNESDAY** — Breakfast bread w/nuts, grape juice, milk.

**THURSDAY** — Pancake, sausage, orange juice, milk.

**FRIDAY** — Cinnamon toast, cheese stick, grape juice, milk.

### LUNCH

**MONDAY** — Fish strips, cole slaw, blackeyed peas, banana pudding, corn bread, milk.

**TUESDAY** — Lasagna, garden peas, garlic bread, chilled peaches, milk.

**WEDNESDAY** — Fiesta salad w/lettuce, tomato, chili beans, chips, rice, Jello w/fruit, milk.

**THURSDAY** — Steak fingers, creamed potatoes, gravy, green beans, rolls, fruit cocktail, milk.

**FRIDAY** — Hamburger, lettuce, tomato, pickles, French fries, cookie, milk.

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# Jobless Rate Up In County

Callahan County's Jobless rate rose seven-tenths of one percentage point between December 1990 and January 1991, according to figures released by Commissioner Mary Scott Nabers of the Texas Employment Commission.

Of the 5,352 civilian labor force in Callahan County, 5,099 had jobs during January 1991, and 253 didn't, giving the county a jobless rate of 4.7 percent.

According to Ms. Nabers, Callahan County's unemployment rate was 4.0 percent in December 1990. Of the 5,446 civilian labor force in the county last month, 5,229 had jobs while 217 or 4.0 percent did not.

Previous monthly jobless rates in Callahan County include: 4.0 in November 1990, 3.4 percent in October, 4.7 percent in September, 5.0 percent in August, 5.4 percent in July, 3.9 percent in June, 3.7 percent in May, 4.9 percent in April, 4.4 percent in March, 5.9 percent in February, and 4.4 percent in January 1990, according to Ms. Nabers' figures.

The statewide unemployment rate was placed at 6.9 percent in January 1991. The December 1990 state unemployment was set at 6.5 percent.

"We're on the rise again," Commissioner Nabers said in releasing the state's jobless numbers. The unemployment rate rose in January to 6.9 percent.

"Although the increase is slight compared to last month's rate of 6.5 percent, it is considerably higher than the 5.8 percent of January 1990," Nabers said.

The increase is due to the fact that the statewide total of employed individuals was down by almost 126,000 and the fact that the state had an increase in the number of unemployed job seekers as well.

UNEMPLOYMENT		
Callahan County Unemployment	Dec.	Jan.
Total Labor Force	5,446	5,352
Total Employed	5,229	5,099
Total Unemployed	217	253
Texas Unemployment	6.5%	6.9%

"That's the bad news in brief, but there is, fortunately, good news as well," Commissioner Nabers said. "When we look at annual averages, it appears that the economy was definitely better than that of 1989. Perhaps that is where we should keep our focus as we look at the statistics for the first month of 1991."

On an annual average basis, the state's unemployment rate moved downward from 6.7 percent in 1989 to 6.2 percent in 1990. The average number of jobless Texans dropped by 46,000 over the year, while total employment rose by 63,000. On average in 1990, total employment was estimated at 7,922,000 and unemployment averaged 521,000, for a civilian labor force totaling 8,443,000.

Revised estimates for 1989 and 1990 reveal that Texas employers created 192,000 Nonfarm Salaried Jobs over

the past year — a 2.8 percent rate of growth. Nonagricultural Wage and Salary Employment rose from an average of 6,839,700 in 1989 to an average of 7,031,700 in 1990. The 1990 estimate represents the first time that the number of Texas Nonfarm Salaried Jobs has averaged over seven million. Two major industry groups — Services and Government — provided about 75 percent of the increase. More moderate growth occurred in all other sectors, except Finance, Insurance and Real Estate, which declined slightly over the year.

The majority of the 27 Metropolitan Statistical Areas (MSA's) for which data are currently available recorded January 1991 rates which were slightly higher than those for December 1990.

The areas with the lowest unemployment rates in January were Bryan-College Station, 4.2 percent; Austin, at 4.8 percent; Midland, which had a 5.2 percent; Lubbock, with 5.3 percent; and San Angelo, where the January rate was 5.5 percent.

The MSA's with the highest January unemployment rates were: McAllen-Edinburg-Mission, at 21.7 percent; Brownsville-Harlingen, with 14.0 percent; Laredo, at 12.6 percent; El Paso, with a 12.0 percent rate; and Longview-Marshall, with a January rate of 8.2 percent.

Big Country area counties, bordering Callahan County, and their unemployment rates for January 1991 include: Brown, 7.5 percent; Coleman, 7.6 percent; Eastland, 7.2 percent; Jones, 7.0 percent; Runnels, 4.1 percent; Shackelford, 2.4 percent; Stephens, 3.5 percent; and Taylor, 6.4 percent.

# Rowden News

By MRS. N.V. GIBBS

Fruit trees are in full bloom, redbud trees are showing their beauty and its time to start gardens. Also the country roads are thick with dust that follows all the passing vehicles. Rain is needed over the area. Frost was seen on vegetation one morning this week.

Edna Dye spent two days in Breckenridge with her brother and sister-in-law, Ed and Betty Sayre.

Bob and Kathy Dye had a house full of company this weekend. Her two sisters and their families, Nancy Gibson and family of Lovington, New Mexico, and Helen Smith and family of San Antonio. Also her mother, Anna Dendy of Mason, and the Brian Patterson family of Copperas Cove.

Dorothy Reynolds attended the funeral of Dora Eubanks in Baird Thursday. Also on Friday, Dorothy Reynolds visited Etta Summers in the Admiral Community.

Gene and Vernie Belle Mauldin attended the funeral of Thelma Hornsby in Baird Friday. A nephew of Thelma, Tommy Hornsby of Brownwood, attended the funeral.

## Letters To The Editor

The citizens of Rising Star and the Rising Star Emergency Medical Service would like to express their deepest appreciation to the Cross Plains Emergency Medical Service for all their help and enduring patience.

The Cross Plains Emergency Medical Service has been invaluable to the Rising Star community during the city's own Emergency Medical Service reorganization and updating process.

The Rising Star Emergency Medical Service cordially invites the community of Cross Plains to their OPEN HOUSE to be announced at a later date.

David and Brenda Switzer

## 4-H Shooting Sports Practice March 16

The 4-H Shooting Sports Project Group will have a practice session on Saturday, March 16, at 2-5 p.m. at the Terry Ellis Ranch.

Events will include 3-position, silhouette, light rifle, and shotgun. 4-H'ers should bring their shotgun, shells, safety glasses, and ear plugs.

If you are interested in the shooting sports project, you are invited to join 4-H and participate in this activity.

For more information, please call Stanley H. Keys (915) 893-5507, Tom McMillin at (915) 854-1098 or the County Extension Office at (915) 854-1518.

## THE PIONEER PATCHWORK

By IRMA MILLER

The ladies in the quilting club finished the baby Clipper Ship quilt and the French Star, then put up into frames a Pieced Star.

Frankie and Oliver Smith went to Ranger Sunday to see Frankie's father, Mr. Perry Vinson, in the nursing home. He seemed to be doing O.K.

Jewel Foster's company Thursday was Cindy (Montgomery) McCaghren, who brought her tiny two-month-old son to visit Jewel. Cindy and her husband live in Canada with their new baby boy.

John and Irma Miller visited with family and friends in Coleman Sunday afternoon and evening.

Attendance at the Pioneer Club Thursday night was down, but they had a good time and there was plenty to eat.

The Monday night classes taught by Dr. Shields at the Pioneer Baptist Church are enlightening, enjoyable, and are well attended, according to some of the approximately twenty students. It is understood that Pastor Dwayne Clower has announced that if some non-students would like to just sit in and listen, they would be welcome.

## Personals

On Saturday Kate Watson's visitors from San Angelo were Jeanette Woodard, Bernice Johnson, and Sherrill and Sarah Rochester.

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# Burkett News

By LOVERA STRICKLAND

Ruby Biehl of Brownwood and Nell Riffe of Cisco visited W.B. Bludworth. Also, B.L. Strickland of Midland visited W.B. and others in Burkett.

Russell and Alisa Gould of Abilene spent the weekend with Dalton and Lucille Gould.

Walter and Melba Walker spent four days in San Angelo last week. They were tending to business and visiting friends and relatives. Also saw the dentist and a skin specialist while there. On their way home they went by Paint Rock to visit some friends who live 8 miles east of Paint Rock. They had a nice visit with them.

Jo Davee's visitors Tuesday morning were Mildred Klairfield of Houston, Addie Newton of Coleman, and Zora DeBusk. Eula Webb of Cross Plains visited Jo Monday.

Dick and Mildred Klairfield of Houston are spending a few days visiting her aunt, Kathryn Cravens, and her brother, Wayne Newton.

There will be no community supper the third Saturday of this month due to a broken water line, and much work will have to be done at the Community Center before it will be useable again.

Tom and Bonnie Strickland of Snyder brought her mother, Emma Boyle, home after keeping her for two weeks.

Jack Boyle is seriously ill in a nursing home in Brownwood. His sisters, Mary Jo O'Brien of Abilene and Cleo Porter, have been with him as much as possible, and Delbert Boyle visits with him when he can. The family needs our prayers and any help that we can give them.

Mike, Janice, and Cliff Turner of Coahoma are visiting his parents, D.J. and Lois Turner, this week.

Ira D. Miller of Abilene spent Sunday and Monday with the Turners. She is Lois' sister. She also attended Sunday services at the Burkett Baptist Church with the Turners.

# COTTONWOOD NEWS

By BEVERLY BROWN

The Cottonwood Monthly Musical, with "Smokey" Callaway as emcee, will be held Friday evening in the Cottonwood Community Center. The building will open at 5:30 p.m. serving time in the lunchroom and the country western musical starts at 6:30 p.m. Chicken and dumplings will be on the menu at \$2 a bowl, sandwiches, pies, and beverages will also be available. Do plan to attend early, meet with your friends and neighbors. See you there.

All area and surrounding Big Country musicians are invited to participate on the evening program. Please register for the evening program upon arrival.

The Cottonwood Volunteer Fire Control Group is always on call and there when we need them. We, of the community, are proud of our volunteers. Now our C.V.F.C. needs our support.

The fire truck Cottondale gave to us last year is in need of a pump. Presently it has a self-contained stationary pump, which limits its use to structure fires. The pump needed will be a separate pump with high volume and pressure capabilities moving the vehicle to areas needed, as for instance a grass fire. Present funds in the account will only cover operating expenses. The cost of the new pump is \$2,000. Donations will greatly be appreciated for this worthy need, and may be sent to the C.V.F.C., Star Rt. 1, Box 73B, Baird, Texas 79504.

If you are planning a control burn on your property, please notify the Cottonwood Fire Control, 725-6555. Due to dryness and dangerous fire hazards this time of year, the volunteers and alerted citizens watch for any signs of fires. When spotted these fires have to be checked out, time and service are saved if pre-control burns are reported. Your cooperation will be greatly appreciated.

We missed seeing our nephew, Ben, when in Kuwait City on a national T.V., but we did see his safe arrival at Dyess Air Force Base at 1 a.m. greeted by our niece, Jennifer and their son, Brendon. We recorded it on tape on Channel 32 KTAB on the 10 o'clock news Sunday evening.

Shawna and Kit Faircloth of Eula were visiting with their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Cliff Van Der Linden, over the weekend.

At the home of Mr. and Mrs. Her-

man Weaver on Saturday were her brother and his wife, Mr. and Mrs. Tommy Pugh of Splendora.

Lillie and Blanton had Cecil and Delilah Goble of Cross Plains by to see them Saturday afternoon. On Sunday, Aubrey Childers of Potosi and R.D. and Sharon Childers and son, Todd, visited with the folks.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Sneed of Azle brought Mrs. Mildred Ford home on Sunday and visited with her sister and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Brown.

The Cottonwood Regional Community Association met Saturday morning in the local center. Newly elected board members for 1991 through 1994 were: Mrs. Geneva Sowell, Mrs. Norma Strahan, and Mrs. Eula Clark. Officers for 1991 are: President, Mrs. Laura Williams; Vice President, Mrs. Geneva Sowell; and Secretary-Treasurer, Mrs. Eloyce Gallivan. Holdover board members are: Mrs. Winona Waggoner and Mrs. Beverly Brown. Thank you, ladies, for the great attendance. Cleanup for the Cottonwood Community was scheduled for Saturday, April 20.

## Locally Known Tracksters Win Again

Angela Phillips, Terry Thomas, and Ricky Thomas participated in the Goldthwaite Track Meet on March 1 and 2. Terry Thomas won 4th place in the 3200 meter run in the high school competition.

In the junior high division, Angela Phillips took three 1st place wins in the 400 meter, 1600 meter, and 1600 meter relay race.

Ricky Thomas won 1st place in the 1600 meter and 2nd place in the 2400 meter run. Rain and bad weather conditions plagued the meet, but the three competed well.

Terry Thomas entered the Cisco Track Meet on March 9 and finished 4th in the 2 mile with 12.12 and 4th in the mile run with a time of 5.33.

Ricky and Angela competed in the Comanche Junior High Track Meet on March 9. Ricky, a 7th grader, ran for 1st place in the mile with a time of 5.36. Angie finished in 1st place on the 400 meter run in 65 seconds and 1st in the mile with 5.40.

Ronnie and Betty Thomas of Bangs are the proud parents.



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