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DOUBLE PLAY NIGHT MONDAY, APRIL 1

Not just one, but two plays will be performed on Monday evening, April 1, at the Cross Plains Auditorium. The evening will begin at 7:00 p.m. with a play performed by some of the 8th grade girls. Immediately following (allowing time, of course, for a set change) will be the high school play that was performed in Eula on Thursday, March 21... (see related article "OAP Competition" page 4). There will be a \$1.00 admission charge to help offset some of the costs of putting on a One Act Play.

The 9th grade girl's Research class

chose Theater as a Fine Art project to research with the students each researching a different aspect of theater, ranging from Masks, Children's Theater, Theater Architecture, etc., etc. The play they selected is a light-hearted comedy call "PAJAMA PARTY."

The cast of this play includes Britany Bennett, Mary Jo Nickerson, Brandi Richey, Crystal Canales, Kristina Chastain, Stephanie Childress, Vanessa Webb, Nikki Bushnell, Melinda Richardson, Dani

Priesman, and Stage Crew, Jodi Payne.

The high school play, entitled **BLOODY JACK**, is a full length play that had to be edited to the 40 minute time slot allotted in OAP competition. The version that will be performed for the community will contain some of the dialogue that had to be previously deleted due to the time restriction. The basic story of the play is a presentation of a theory as to who really was London's infamous *Jack the Ripper*.

LOCAL FREE TAX SERVICES TOLD

By PAUNIECE OGLESBY

Through the Tax-Aide program, volunteers provide free personal income tax assistance to the Senior Citizens, low-income families and the general public with basic tax returns. Individuals with complicated tax returns will be advised to seek professional tax assistance.

Volunteers are specially trained, in cooperation with the U.S. Internal Revenue Service (IRS), to understand those provisions of the tax code that affect Senior Citizens as well as the low and middle income families. Tax-Aide volunteers provide personal, one-on-one assistance to help you complete your federal tax returns, including special rebate programs.

Tax-Aide volunteers are available from February 1 to April 15 each year. There will be only one volunteer working the Cross Plains area using the Multi-Purpose Center on East 8th Street as headquarters. Tax returns will be prepared by APPOINTMENT ONLY so you will need to call the volunteer (Pauniece Oglesby, 817-725-6772) for an appointment. The volunteer in Cross Plains is Pauniece Oglesby. Mrs. Oglesby prefers to volunteer on Tuesday, but will make appointments on other days if necessary.

When you meet with a Tax-Aide volunteer, you should bring the following: (1) a copy of last year's (1994) income tax return, (2) any W-2 forms you have received showing your income from working, (3) all 1099 forms you have received which show the interest and/or dividends, (4) all 1099-R forms which show all pension monies paid to you, (5) form SSA-1099 which shows the Social Security paid to you, (6) records of any other income you have received, and (7) receipts or cancelled checks for any of your medical/dental expenses and any contributions you have made to charities.

This is a community service available to those stated above the Tax-Aide volunteers are eager to be of assistance, so please call for an appointment and let me assist you.

Colonial Oaks Services

Pioneer Pentecostal will conduct worship services at Colonial Oaks Nursing Home on Sunday, March 31, commencing at 3:30 p.m.

First Baptist Church Presents "CPR" In Concert Sunday

First Baptist Church, Cross Plains welcomes Christian Praise Revival, with the Havens Family in concert here, on Sunday, March 31, at 7 p.m.

Bobby Havens, who heads up Christian Praise Revival, also presents the Havens Family, sisters, Debbie Field and Sandy Aherns of

Phoenix, Arizona and sister Cindie Terral of Lubbock, who also is a featured singer with CPR. Cousin Bob Morgan is part of Christian Praise Revival.

The Havens are one set of grandchildren of the late Ebb and Valeria Rouse.



TRIAD: Seniors & Lawman Together (S.A.L.T.) First Council Meeting Held March 20

The first meeting of the Callahan County S.A.L.T. Council was held on Wednesday, March 20, at 9:00 a.m. in the County Courthouse in Baird.

Anita Buchanan, Coordinator, outlined the responsibilities and workings of the council. Triad is a "New Take" on crime prevention for the elderly. Various projects will be implemented in Callahan County to improve communications with the Seniors on raising awareness about frauds and scams and developing a local-assistance program through surveys and other means. Council members will determine the concerns of their community's older citizens. Weekly articles of information will appear in the local newspaper on this newly organized TRIAD program.

SALT Council members attending from Cross Plains were: C.E. and Elva Mae Woody, Esther Kerr and Rolan Jones. Also attending were, Shirley Ivey, Clyde, Nita Eisenhower, Putnam, and Sharon Woodcox with the Adult Protection Services of Coleman.

The next SALT council meeting will be on Wednesday April 17 in Baird.

TRIAD -- Law Enforcement and Older Citizens Working Together

What is TRIAD?

Triad is the agreement of the law enforcement agencies in a county (Sheriff's office, police departments, etc.) and older or retired persons in the community to work together.

Triad is the concept of cooperation to reduce the criminal victimization of the elderly.

Triad is a joint approach to crime issues which affect older citizens and the enhanced delivery of law enforcement services to these mature persons.

One senior defined Triad as The Right Information And Di-

rection

What Do Triads Do?

1. Educate: Sponsor crime prevention and victim/witness programs for older persons.

2. Assist: Recruit and train volunteers to assist the police and sheriff's departments.

3. Emphasize: Staff reassurance programs for older persons to reduce fear and provide moral support.

4. Communicate: Provide a forum for law enforcement and the community to share needs and concerns—and develop solutions.

5. Involve: Unites seniors, sheriffs and local police to identify problem areas for seniors in the local community—to develop and implement community-wide solutions.

How Does Triad Work?

S.A.L.T.=Seniors and Law enforcement Together

The S.A.L.T. Council is the advisory group which carries out Triad activities. Members of most S.A.L.T. groups include:

Police chief(s) or designated officer(s), Sheriff or designee, RSVP, AARP, Agency on Aging; mature/retired leaders, Home extension service, Emergency response/medical representative, and any other agencies or individuals interested in the welfare of seniors.

A county may decide to have one county-wide S.A.L.T. group, or each community may have its own, with periodic coordination among the councils.

Most S.A.L.T. councils meet monthly. Most carry out activities through the efforts of active sub-committees: crime prevention education, publicity, special events, reassurance strategies, elder abuse prevention, etc.

Submitted by Esther Kerr.

Hoop Challenge U.S.A. Set For Saturday, March 30

Area youngsters will have an opportunity to spotlight their basketball shooting skills when Cross Plains Gym hosts Hoop Challenge U.S.A., the original nationwide basketball skill shooting competition. Boys and girls ages 8 thru 14 and under will be eligible to compete in this First Round of competition. Those who qualify will advance to a Regional Semi-Final, a Regional Final and ultimately a State Championship competition.

The event highlights shooting skills from various spots on the court. Each youngster competes against the shooting grid rather than head-to-head against other competitors. The Hoop Challenge U.S.A. competition begins at 8 a.m. on Saturday, March 30 with individual competition in both boys and girls divisions in age categories under 10, 10, 11,12, 13, and 14.

Each competitor will receive a limited edition Hoop Challenge U.S.A. t-shirt. An entry fee of \$10 is required. Funds raised by this event will be utilized by the local site to develop other youth programs, purchase athletic equipment, and in general benefit local youngsters. The Cross Plains Little League will be sponsoring the event.

Bike-A-Thon For St. Jude Children's Research Hospital Sat., March 30

St. Jude "Wheels for Life" Bike-A-Thon will kick-off at the Cross Plains Grain and Peanut House Saturday morning March 30 at 9:30 and end at 12 noon.

Bring your pledge papers signed by you and parent if under age.

Prizes will be given by St. Jude; a t-shirt to all who bring in \$35. T-shirt and sports bag to all that bring in \$75.

Prizes by local merchants will be

given to one bringing in the most money, one who goes the furthest, also to 1st - 3rd grade who brings in most money, and the one who goes the furthest, and for 4th - 6th grades the same. A t-shirt for the youngest boy and girl participating.

Come one, come all, lets go for these children who are being treated for cancers of childhood.

Final Slate of Candidates for the School Board and City Elections Announced

Monty Richards has announced his candidacy for re-election to the school board along with incumbent Rex Beggs and Tony Wyatt. The terms of Beggs and Richards are expiring. Ballot positions are as follows:

1. Rex Beggs
2. Tony Wyatt
3. Monty Richards.

Incumbent Gene Dillard and Ray

Purvis are seeking the position of mayor. Ballot positions are as follow:

1. Ray Purvis
2. Gene Dillard.

Incumbents Ray Womack and Jerry Cassle are unopposed in the council election. Both will be in the 1st ballot position. The election will be held Saturday, May 4, at the Cross Plains Community Center.



**SUPER SOPHS & MORE
CHEERLEADERS**— "Wild Thing
Mascoat"/Bay Kirkham (from left),

"Just Fine Jodette"/Jody Fortune,
"Dancing Dusette"/Dusty Hargrove,
"Jostling Josephette"/Joseph Turner,

"Lovely Leifette"/Lcif Hunter, "Jet
Set Jeremette"/Jeremy Pancake, and
"Jumpin Jaradette"/Jarad Richards.

Super Soph Sunday A Huge Success

BY VANDA KING
Editor

The 1st Annual Dust/Grassbur Classic sponsored by the Sophomore Class of Cross Plains High School proved most entertaining and a great success as a fund raiser.

The event started with the introduction of the Bountiful Buffettes and Super Sophs Cheerleaders. This was a sight! The Bountiful Buffettes

consisted of the Sophomore dads, mustaches and all. The Sophomore boys cheered for their team and they were hysterically funny. Both groups entertained with their exaggerated appearance, wild cheers, and antics. James Oscar Koenig "Friendly Frank Gifford", who else, was the announcer and his comments added more humor. Cord Woerner "Iron Mike" and Mitchell Atchely "Handsome Hovey Long" acted as spotters

and announcer assistants. The Wild Things (Sophomore moms) and the Super Sophs and More (Sophomore girls and friends) were presented. These gals were hyped and ready for football action.

The National Anthem was performed beautifully by Rhonda Swift. The acappella rendition was touching.

The Wild Things and the Super Sophomores and More kicked off the

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Republican Party Convention Sat.

The Callahan County Republican Party will hold their county convention on Saturday, March 30, at 7:00 p.m. at the Baird High School Cafeteria.

Anyone who voted in the Callahan County Republican Primary is eligible and is encouraged to attend.

EASTERN STAR CONSOLIDATION??

Cross Plains Chapter #455 Order of the Eastern Star will meet Monday, April 1, at 7:30 p.m. for the regular stated meeting.

A vote will be taken to consolidate

with the Brownwood Chapter #116. All members need to be present for this meeting. This could be the last meeting ever held of the local chapter.

COUNTY COURT
Bill Johnson presiding

Misdemeanor Filings
Steven Michael Wallis, criminal trespass.
Frank William Davis III, DWI.
Charged with theft of property by check: Monica Lowe, Paulette Alexander, Tracy Steward, Leisha Self, Mike Akens, Deborah Bolton, Mary Ann Deatherage, Roy Lamoree, Sr.

Misdemeanor Minutes
Robert E. Taylor, DWI, \$300 fine \$207 court costs, 60 days in jail probated for 2 years.
Gary Brent Stover, probation revoked; sentenced to 30 days in jail.
Bruce Allen Harber, probation revoked; sentenced to 6 months in jail.

MARRIAGE LICENSES

Alyssa DeeAnn Reed, Clyde, Daniel Payton Preston, Santa Fe, NM.
Donna Lynn Adair & Randal Neil Price of Abilene.
Elsie Beatrice Jackson & Robert Anthony Dugan of Clyde.

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Clara M. Coburn

Services for Clara McDermett Coburn, 98, of Cross Plains were held at the Cross Plains Cemetery Sunday, March 17, 1996, at 2:00 p.m. with the Rev. Jeff Robinett officiating.

Mrs. Coburn died on March 15, 1996, at Colonial Oaks Nursing Home. She was born December 31, 1897, on the J.C. McDermett Ranch, Coleman County, Texas. The ninth child of 10 children born to Joseph and Susan McDermett. She attended Live Oak and Little Pecan Schools in Coleman County, Cross Plains School in Callahan County, then moved to Coleman to finish school. Graduating San Marcus Southwest Normal College with a teaching certificate. She taught school at Comal in 1917 and 1918, then in Cross Plains from 1918 to 1920.

Clara married Howard E. Coburn from Oil City, Pennsylvania on July 6, 1920, returning to the McDermett Ranch. They built their home in 1930 in Cross Plains.

She owned and operated the McDermett/Coburn Ranch from 1947 to 1974, retiring in Cross Plains. She was a member of the Presbyterian church and a past matron of the Eastern Star.

Howard E. Coburn, her husband, and Patti Sue Coburn Dolgener, her only daughter preceded her in death.

Survivors include two sons, Charles E. Coburn of Burkett, H. Keith Coburn of Crane; eight grandchildren, Billy Dolgener of Loveland, Colorado, Richard Dolgener of Andrews, Tim and Deborah Dolgener of San Angelo, Mark Coburn of Kermit, Clark Coburn of Midland, Teri Coburn of Irving and Stephen Keith Coburn of Austin; three great-grandsons, Joshua Coburn, Chisolm and Shane Dolgener; one great-great-grandson, Clay Garrett, seven nieces Riita Knight, Francis McAnally, Susan Andis, Charlene Metcalf, Emily Gray Foster, Clara Nell Spencer and Tootie Byrd, two nephews, Bob T. Silver of Las Lunas, New Mexico and Carter Diberall II and several cousins.

The family suggest donations be made to West Texas Rehabilitation or Cross Plains Library.

We will miss this treasured soul for many years to come. God has plucked a rose today as she was only on loan to us anyway.



IN MEMORY OF
CLARA
MCDERMETT
COBURN

If I should ever leave you
Whom I Love, to go along
the silent way grieve not.

Nor speak of me with
tears but laugh and talk of
me as if I were beside you,
for who knows, but I shall
oftentimes?

I'd come, I'd come, could I
find a way, but would not
the tears and grief be barriers?

And when you hear a bird
I loved - Let not the thought
of me be sad for I am Loving
you, just as I always
have...You were so Good
to me...So many things I
wanted still to do.

So many things I wanted
to say to you. Remember
that I did not Fear...It was
just leaving you I could not
bear to face.

We cannot see
beyond...But this I know: I
Loved You So - It was
Heaven here with You.

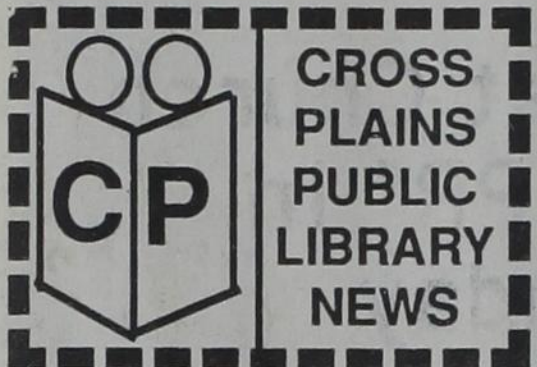
Scottie LeGrady Elliott

EASTLAND—Scottie LeGrady Elliott, 56, died Sunday, March 24, 1996, in Eastland.

Services were held at 10 a.m. Tuesday at Edwards Funeral Home Chapel with Larry Roberts officiating. Burial was in Atwell Cemetery near Cross Plains.

Mr. Elliott was born in Rising Star and graduated from Rising Star High School in 1957. He attended Cisco Junior College and Arlington State University, majoring in law enforcement. He moved to Hurst and worked for Lone Star Gas and the Eules Police Department. He moved to Abilene in 1967 and worked for the Abilene Police Department until moving to Eastland in 1973. He worked for Victor Cornelius Menus and the Texas Department of Transportation for 21 years. He was a member of the Church of Christ and enjoyed black powder shooting, hunting, fishing and drawing cartoons. He married Sandra LaVonne Foster in 1960 in Cross Plains; she preceded him in death.

Survivors include one daughter, Nan Ree Rice of Wickett; his parents, Bobby and Inez Elliott of Rising Star; three stepchildren, William Edward Gibson of South Carolina, Jo Ann Stephenson of Odell and Laura Caldwell of Midland; one brother, Bobby Elliott of Eastland; and six grandchildren.



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Donations: Ferne Hutchins, Nancy Childress, Lillie Dillard
Check These Out: Texas Books The Eagle and the Raven - Michener
The Voice of the Coyote - Dobie
Armadillo in the Grass - Hearon
The Wolf and the Buffalo - Kelton
Buffalo Girls - McMurry
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B/P CLINIC
TUES., APRIL 2

There will be a blood pressure clinic sponsored by Concepts of Care at the Multi-Purpose Center on Tuesday, April 2 from 10-11 a.m.

Richard Jackson
To Preach At FBC
Revival

The Spring Revival at First Baptist Church in Cross Plains will be held nightly beginning on Easter Sunday evening at 7 p.m. The guest evangelist will be Richard Jackson, former pastor of Calvary Baptist in May and North Phoenix Baptist Church in Phoenix, Arizona.

Dr. Jim H. O'Dell and the members of First Baptist invite everyone in the community to join them in these special services.

Local Man's
Nephew Serving
With Forestry
Department

Hubert and Celia Belw were in Abilene last Wednesday visiting Hubert's nephew Carl Blaine Belw from Charlottesville, Virginia. Blaine serves with the Virginia Department of Forestry where he has been employed for the past seventeen years. The firefighters have been fighting fires in Waco, Breckenridge, and Childress. The unit even brought their own fire truck and dozer.

There are twenty-three individuals in this unit. Mr. and Mrs. Belw met nine members of the group, Mike Armstrong, Pat Murphy, Harold Fisher, Jeff Brower, Donnie Davis, Paul Geyer, Russell Clark, Chris Kappa (foreman) and Becky Woodson (secretary). They replaced another group from Virginia who had been in Texas for two weeks. The unit will return home next Monday or Tuesday.

Five of the crew were from Hubert's hometown of Charlottesville and the remainder from other parts of Virginia. Hubert was proud of his fellow Virginians for assisting with the fires in Texas.

Cottonwood
Quilting Club Making
Donation To CMN

The Cottonwood Quilting Club is dedicating their musical to the Children Miracle Network in honor of Ophelia Merrill for the dedication and determination she has shown by sponsoring fund-raisers for CMN over the past years.

There will be a musical and quilt drawing with all proceeds going to support CMN. Tickets for the quilt are \$1 each or 6 for \$5. The quilt will be on display at the Cross Plains Dairy Queen.

Come out, enjoy yourself and help Ophelia reach the goal she has set for this year.

Ethel Champion - President

C.P. ROPING CLUB
MEET MONDAY

The Cross Plains Roping Club will hold their monthly meeting Monday, April 1, in the Buffalo Room at the Dairy Queen.

Final plans for the Buck-out and Cook-off will be discussed. All members are urged to attend this important meeting.

A.A.R.P
News

By ESTHER KERR

The regular monthly meeting of American Association of Retired Person (AARP) will be held on Monday, April 1, at 10 a.m. in the Multi-Purpose Center.

The guest speaker for the program will be Sharyn Tucker Hill, R.N., O.C.N. of Cross Plains, associated with V & A of Central Texas, Brownwood, who provide HOME HEALTH CARE and HOSPICE Services available to persons who meet MEDICARE guidelines. Daisy King was welcomed as a new member of AARP at the March meeting. Make plans to attend this meeting and bring a guest.

Hostesses for the April meeting will be Phyllis Taylor and Dorothy Mosley.

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COTTONWOOD NEWS

By
BEVERLY BROWN

The NO BURN BAN remains in effect. The predictions of 5 years of drought condition ahead for us. Spring arrived Wednesday morning with sunny skies, low temperatures and cold windy conditions. With the temperatures on the rise we need to be on the alert for sighting of smoke and report it and the location to our fire department dispatcher at 725-6555. Your support is greatly needed.

The Cottonwood Fire Control Group met Tuesday night at the community center. Fred St. Peter was elected to the board, replacing Joe Lawrence. Three new volunteers joining the group were present at the meeting. The board members will meet the first part of April. A listing of board members and officers will be listed in the column after the meeting.

Mary Weaver and son, David of Corpus Christi were here last week visiting with her sisters, Billie and Bill Kelly, Dena and Bill Nickerson, Sr. and her brother, Herman and Mary Weaver.

Glynn Nickerson, Matthew and Blake of San Antonio were visiting

with family members, Bill and Dena Nickerson, Sr., Bill and Annette Nickerson, Jr., Willie, Kevin, and Mary Jo this past week. On Sunday, his sisters and families of Clyde were down to visit with all. They were Kathy Franke, Amie, Kellie and Jeremy and Dena Hines, Jeffrey and Julie.

The Cottonwood Quilting Club members will hold their annual Easter Bake Sale on April 6 in the Buffalo Room at the Cross Plains Dairy Queen. The sale will start at 9:00 a.m. Do stop in and buy your bake goods for the Easter holiday. If you would like to donate baked good items please contact Ethel Champion at (817) 725-6536 or bring them by to the Dairy Queen that Saturday.

The St. Jude Children's Hospital Bike-A-Thon will be held on Saturday, March 30, at the Cross Plains Grain and Peanut Company starting at 9:00 a.m. Your support would be greatly appreciated. Donations will benefit the St. Jude Hospital Research Center in the childhood cancer research department.

Clips, Quips & Comments

By KAY DENNIS MOSLEY



GARDEN CLUB ON TOUR— Two Cross Plains Garden Club members, Sarah Brashear (back) and

Barbara Powell admire orchids and bonsai trees on a recent tour of nurseries in Abilene.

"On the road again"---(A TALL TEXAS TALE)

They gathered at the ole meeting place (Multi-Purpose Center). It was the typical old west town; near Abilene, name of Cross Plains. Some lived in the town and several lived at the edge or out of town.

Nine met there that day. Wagonmaster Rolan J. (AKA Judge Roy Bean), the wagon foreman (President) Sarah B., and #1 wagon driver Pauniece O.

The cry went out, "Circle the Wagons," the Wagonmaster was rarin' to go. (Or as Rolan said, "let's go so we can get back early.") It was bitterly cold as they loaded into the wagons (vehicles) that day. All dressed according to the weather. The wind blew cold and dangerously. By 9:30 a.m. they had hit the road.

Rolan J. was in the lead, accompanied by Bob P. riding shotgun and scout (#1) Barbara P. Wagon foreman Sarah B. followed accompanied by our guest Betty Beggs. Pauniece O. drove the last wagon. With her rode #2 scout Lois G., head drover Marvin M. and riding drag was Kay M. with her flash (not a knife), a camera.

We left wild west town Cross Plains behind! It was a typical country town, a few cows, horses, and other livestock scattered around town. A few goats here, several chickens there and at least one potbellied pig in existence there-in. Why there are even some cowboys who own G-U-N-S. Of course, outside town there are quite a few horses and even more cattle. We were headed for the lights of the big city, Abilene. We traveled past ranches, farms, etc. It was a very enjoyable trip, however, no outlaws or Indian braves were sighted.

We made good time and eventually arrived in Abilene. We pulled into the "wagonyard" about 10:30 a.m. The wind was still quite chilling. We headed to see the sights. We gathered inside Wolfe Nursery. Our tourguide was Chris, a nice looking young man who showed us all through the plant section of Wolfe's. He pointed out many popular and unusual plants to us, stopping frequently to point out some extra interesting facts about some of the plants. There were all kinds and types of flowering plants, bedding plants, some exotic and unusual flowers, greenery, herbs, bushes, shrubs, hedges, trees, potted plants and plants to be potted. We also saw pots of all colors, sizes, and

shapes, and lots of mulches, soils, fertilizers etc. for gardening. Toward the end of the tour Chris turned us over to a young lady, his assistant who demonstrated for us the proper way to repot a root bound plant. To end the tour they chose selected products with which to treat plants and told us some specific ways and reasons of which to use them. Some shopped for plants.

We then regrouped and deciding it was chow time, traveled a short distance to tie on the feed bag. We dined at the frontier cafe otherwise known as Furr's Cafeteria. We gathered 'round the chuck wagon (table) and gratefully partook of delicious cuisine. We had a fine time, chatting and visiting. After the dishes had been cleared away, a short business meeting was held. After discussion, of a couple of items, the business meeting was adjourned.

Our next stop was Color World; the weather had warmed up some by then. At Color World, we were on our own to search and discover various types of plants and flowers. Among other items of interest we viewed fresh orchids growing in pots, bonsai trees, ferns and other assorted plants, trees etc. One item that seemed to catch everyone's eye were small, fluffy, yellow, toy, baby chickens which when pressed into the damp palm of your hand continually utter cheep, cheep, etc., etc., etc., until you put them down. So cute and life-like for Easter or just for fun.

After this shopping stop our group split into two parts each taking a somewhat different trail. Rolan, Barbara and Bob toured down through Spring Gap for some scenic sight-seeing. The other group traveled a dangerous route. Sarah, Pauniece, Betty Beggs, Lois Garrett, and Kay and Marvin braved dangerous, ferocious critters and made their way to the Mall of Abilene. After an hour of window shopping and some buying it was time for that old cowboy adage, "Round 'em up and Head 'em Out"...

We all just had so much fun and such an exciting adventurous excursion; we returned to Cross Plains after our highly elating trip, vowing to do it again soon. Do What???? You know get "On the Road Again." Perhaps you'll join us next time and we'll "C" "U" there.

REMEMBER THE CROSS PLAINS GARDEN CLUB FLOWER SHOW, APRIL 28.

THE KIWANIS CLUB OF CROSS PLAINS

Expresses their appreciation to all who supported them in their recent fund-raiser by coming to eat at the "Pancake Supper" on March 7.

Special thanks to local businesses and individuals who donated items, food and cash to cover expenses, and helped in any other way to make it a success.

You Are Great!!

Bob Pipes
President

Roy Stambaugh
Fund-Raising Chairman



BREAKTHRU

By Bob Pipes, preacher
Cross Plains Church of Christ
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Have you ever read the biography of Saul, later known better as Paul? There are books like *In The Steps Of St. Paul*, and *The Life and Epistles of St. Paul* -- and then there's the account in bits and pieces, here and there, in the New Testament part of the Bible (not to be confused with King Saul of the Old Testament).

When Saul is first mentioned, he is far from a "saint!" Acts 7:58 introduces him as the one at whose feet the clothes of the first recorded Christian martyr were laid. Chapter eight begins by saying Saul was consenting to Stephen's death; verse three states that he made havoc of the church, entering every house, and dragging off men and women, committing them to prison. Doesn't sound like much of a saint, does it?

Something happened to Saul, however; he changed his name. I don't mean from "Saul" to "Paul," rather from "Jew" to "Christian." Chapter nine of Acts tells of his conversion which culminated in Damascus, the very city to where he was headed to get more of those of "the Way" to place in Jerusalem prisons. Because of this conversion, Saul's/Paul's name was changed also from "persecutor" to "persecuted." But regardless of all the "downs" (along with the "ups"), Paul said his heart's desire and prayer to God was that others, especially fellow Jews, would be saved, Romans 9:3; 10:1.

I can relate to Paul in having once been lost. Matter of fact, he reminds us that "all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God," Romans 3:23. I also relate to Paul in having a desire that those who are still lost in sin will hear the message of Christ and be saved. May I share that message with you?

Sunday Morning Bible Class ... 9:45 a.m. Sunday Evening Worship 6:00 p.m.
Sunday Morning Worship 10:45 a.m. Wed. Evening Bible Study 7:00 p.m.

Friends & Neighbors Caring In Jesus

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NEWS

By
LINDA EDINGTON
Activity Director

The residents thoroughly enjoyed the fine music and singing that Vicky Worley and Becky Guill provided for us during the residents birthday party.

Special appreciation to Sheri and Phillip Bennett for the discount coupons to Country Kin.

Annabel Vaught is looking mighty pretty with her new perm.

Ruby Harrell was our winner for a free meal at Jack's Place. Thanks Wanda and Jack.

Leo Thompson visited Sylvia Smith.

Virginia Callaway from Cottonwood visited Bertha Wheeler.

Billy and Billie Wright from Clyde, Lori and Alsia Hail was here visiting Lorena Wright.

Thelma Long visited Jake Green. Visiting daily is Vivian Hardin.

Frances Thornton visited Myrtle Wilson.

Edna Belyeu from Cisco visited

Vera Belyeu.

Activities during the week:

Monday: Bingo winners were Ruby Harrell (2), Vera Belyeu (3), Allie Dickson (2) and Midge McCall (2). Bible study with Bro. Jim O'Dell. Exercise class.

Tuesday: Art class. Popcorn and Skip-Bo games.

Wednesday: Sing-a-long with Bob Wallace. Exercise class.

Thursday: Bingo winners were Ruby Harrell (2), Midge McCall (2), Mildred Ford, Vera Belyeu (2), Allie Dickson and Minnie Swann (2). Music with Colleen Anderson.

Friday: Singing with Bob Wallace. Sit-down-basketball.

Sunday: Pioneer Pentecostal Yesterday's History, Tomorrow's a Mystery Today's a Gift That's why it's called The Present.

GREETINGS FROM YOUR SENIOR CITIZENS

By THELMA LONG

John Massey has had a rough time since his fall on the ice some time ago. He is confined to his home, also spent a lot of time in bed. Frankie also had a fall, hitting her head and cutting her finger.

Weston Jones spent some time in the hospital. He is back and we are glad.

Wayne Dennis is making his home in Dallas near his daughter. We miss him.

Joe Howser was here again. Glad to have him.

This reporter received a note from Imogene Cox, saying she keeps up with her friends by reading our news. She and her husband Tom operated Cox Grocery here for a number of years. She sends to "Cheery Hello" and good wishes to all. She now lives in Houma, Louisiana.

The house warming for Fay Hutton was nice and well attended. Her home is really pretty. She is happy with it and we are happy for her (a lot of happy senior citizens).

Do you like our weather? Cold and hot - hot and cold. It will rain

sometime, I am sure. Isn't Spring time nice with leaves bursting out of the trees. It is also time for stormy weather so we have to watch for that.

There was excitement in our neighborhood when a car turned over on the curve. The people were taken by ambulance to the hospital! Hopefully not seriously injured. Drivers need to slow down on that curve. That's not the first car to roll there.

There is talk of a "game night" at the center. That will be nice for those who enjoy playing dominos, 42, and 84. Come on Seniors, lets do it.

Ophella Lawson was taken to Abilene Regional Hospital. She is undergoing tests.

Adean Winfrey was involved in a one car accident. She spent some time in Brownwood Hospital and was air lifted to Dallas on Tuesday. She has internal injuries and underwent surgery. Possibly facing more surgery. There is a vacancy in our neighborhood. We miss her. Let's all say a prayer for her and her family.

QUOTE: Winter is done; The earth looks up with laughter.

PIONEER NEWS

By PIONEER QUILTING CLUB

The high winds have brought dusty sky's like we had in the 30's. This dry weather is getting harder to take every day.

The Quilting Club finished a lovely "Lone Star" quilt for Sandy Hutton. It was mostly in yellow with sun burst quilting.

All the ladies go out to lunch about once a month, the last time was lunch at Frank's Place in Cross Plains. They had a very nice table set for us. The food and service was excellent. It was a real treat for us all.

Shirley Blue and daughter, Betty from Newburg, visited Oliver and Frankie Saturday. Shirley's daughter, Lori, was attending the tract meet at Cross Plains.

Oliver, Frankie, and Jean went to the Cottonwood musical Friday night and had a great time. Then they attended the musical at Brownwood Lake Saturday night. They enjoyed it very much.

Tuesday, Oliver's cousin Charlie Smith and wife visited them. They were from Bangs.

Betty Beggs visited Novelia Barton and also Bob and Barbara Powell visited Novelia.

May Jones and Jean Alexander spent the day in Clyde Monday.

Cindy Ochoa from Brownwood spent day's recently with her mother and grandmother, Jessica Stultz and Earlene Burge. We enjoyed her visit and hope she comes again soon.

The comet everyone is talking about was clearly seen by some of us here. They say it was nine thousand years ago that it passed by earth.

John and Karon Milligan, friends of Cowan and Laverne Hutton, attended Wednesday night Bible Class at Cross Plains last week and visited with Cowan and Laverne after class.

The Milligan's are staying near by in their motor home. John and Karon and Cowan and Laverne do mission work together. The Hutton's visited with the Milligan's on Saturday. Wednesday, Laverne and Karon and her grandson Jesse were visitors in Abilene.

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C.P. STUDENT REVIEW



C.P.H.S. ONE-ACT PLAY CAST — Jeremy Tennison (back, from left), Nathaniel Swift, John Chessir, and Willie Merryman; Lea Jean Wyatt (middle, from left), Kristi Bowden, Malysa Sowell, Whitney Kirkham, Brice Hail, and Scott Brame; Matt McGowen (front, from left) and Dusty Anderson.

Cross Plains Students Receive OAP Medals

Although the Cross Plains High School ONE ACTPLAY was not one of the two selected to advance to the next level of competition, 4 of the cast were selected for recognition for their individual performances in the play competition held in Eula on Thursday, March 21. Whitney Kirkham and Matt McGowen were selected for the Honorable Mention Cast. Malysa Sowell was selected to the All-District Cast, and John Chessir was chosen as Best Actor among all the male performers.

Cross Plains competed in the West Zone of the district. Also presenting plays were Santa Anna... "Mixed Emotions"; Rising Star... "The Tail That Wagged the Dog"; Gorman... "Blindspot" and Eula... "The Marriage of Bette and Boo". The two schools to advance are Eula and Gorman.

This year the Cross Plains students performed a mystery entitled BLOODY JACK, written by Tim Kelly. The play presents a theory as to the identity of London's infamous Jack the Ripper.

For six of the nine member cast, it was their first year in OAP. The cast included: Freshmen, LaJean Wyatt, Matt McGowen and Dusty Anderson; Sophomores (also first year), Nathaniel Swift and Scott Brame; Juniors, John Chessir (2nd year), Malysa Sowell (2nd year) and Kristy Bowden (1st year); and Seniors, Whitney Kirkham (2nd year) and Jeremy Tennison (3rd year).

This year (as in the last 3 years) Willie Merryman (Senior) handled the lighting. Freshman, Brice Hail was responsible for sound.

Being a member of a OAP provides a student with some unique opportunities. Many long hours are spent memorizing lines, going to rehearsals and developing a character and then presenting that character to an audience. It takes a special group of people to do this and to work so closely together to produce a smooth production. The cast and crew put on a very fine performance at competition and they look forward to presenting it to the community.

Junior High Girl's Win At Panther Creek Meet

Fighting off a late night breeze and multiple injuries, the Cross Plains Junior High girls track team captured the Panther Creek Relays on March 21. A nice afternoon turned chilly after dark, but the C.P.J.H. girls held their own to win the meet. Coach John Starcher also commented, "You'd have thought it was Friday the 13th, Part XII with the injuries received in the meet!" Four girls were bothered with ankle and leg injuries. "Overall, the kids held themselves well, and did the things necessary to win," Starcher said. "I am very proud of their accomplishments." Some outstanding performances were turned in by Brandi Richey (five gold medals), Jennifer Turner, and Jennifer Brame.

The complete results are as follows:
Triple Jump - Brandi Richey - 1st - 30' 11 3/4"; Jodi Payne - 2nd - 28' 8"; Vanessa Webb - Tie 5th - 27' 1 1/4"
Long Jump - Richey - 1st - 14' 8"; Christy Beaty - 6th - 13' 1"
High Jump - Beaty - Tie 3rd - 4' 2"
Shot Put - Jennifer Brame - 1st - 30' 5"; Amber Wilson - 4th - 25' 9"
Discus - Brame - 2nd - 70' 11";

Wilson - 4th - 64' 2"
2400 Run - Jennifer Turner - 1st - 10:08.59; Brittany Bennett - 3rd - 11:06.00; Mary Jo Nickerson - 5th - 11:25.14
400 Relay - Payne, Nikki Bushnell, Melinda Richardson, Tabby Clark - 5th - 61.34
800 Run - Beaty - 6th - 3:04.41
100 Hurdles - Richey - 1st - 17.50; Bushnell - 5th - 20.21; Clark - 6th - 20.22
800 Relay - Payne, Dani Priesman, Beaty, Webb - 6th - 2:15.24
300 Hurdles - Richey - 1st - 53.05; Clark - 6th - 61.83
1600 Run - Turner - 1st - 6:41.52; Nickerson - 4th - 7:14.37
1600 Relay - Payne, Webb, Beaty, Richey - 1st - 4:53.93
TEAM POINTS
CROSS PLAINS - 146
 Other totals not available were Santa Anna, Panther Creek, Zephyr, May, Olden, Richland Springs, and Rising Star.

The team will be at Gorman Friday, March 29. The District 10-A track meet will be held April 4. Please come out and encourage and support these girls.

Tennis Team In Eastland This Past Weekend

By COACH MACK MCCONAL

Cross Plains Tennis Team was in Eastland Friday and Saturday. Conditions were very windy - 2 singles and 2 doubles teams made finals. All finished 2nd in their division.

Girl's singles
 M. Mitchell - 2nd - beat by Bangs (4-6) (3-6)

Boy's singles
 J. Richards - 2nd - beat by Eastland (6-0) (7-6) (2-6)

Girl's doubles
 S. Hutton and K. Hetmaineczyk - 2nd - beat by Santa Anna (5-7) (2-6)

Boy's doubles
 S. Brame and J. Hopkins - 2nd - beat by Santa Anna (2-6) (6-2) (7-6)

Complete Results
Girl's singles
 B. Hutton - beat Ranger (8-6); lost to Bangs (7-12)

M. Mitchell - beat Bangs (8-4); beat Early (12-3); beat Santa Anna (6-2) (6-3); Finals 2nd place lost to Bangs (4-6) (3-6)

Girl's doubles
 M. Dillard and C. Davis - beat Early (9-7); lost to Eastland (2-12)

S. Hutton and K. Hetmaineczyk - beat Albany (12-4); beat Zephyr (6-1) (6-1); Finals lost to Santa Anna (5-7) (2-6)

Boy's singles
 Hinkle - lost to Bangs (2-8)
 McGowen - beat Albany (8-6); lost to Bangs (8-12)

Richards - beat Albany (12-0); beat Bangs (6-4) (5-7) (6-4); Finals lost to Eastland (6-0) (7-6) (2-6)

Boy's doubles
 B. Callaway and B. Hail - lost to Santa Anna (4-12)

S. Brame and J. Hopkins - beat Santa Anna (12-1); beat Ranger (6-1) (6-2); Finals lost to Santa Anna (2-6) (4-6) (7-6)

Our tennis season is rapidly coming to a close. We have one more tournament in Brownwood Friday and then District in Santa Anna on April 3 and 4. Only players finishing 1st and 2nd at District advance to Regional.

Our last tournament before Regional is in Brownwood April 19. Only team members finishing in the first three places at District are eligible to compete.

1996 Season Buffalo Baseball In Full Swing

By COACH CORD WOERNER

The 1996 season of Buffalo Baseball is now in full swing. I would like to take this opportunity to express my appreciation to those who have spent many hours of their free time and weekends working to get our ballpark in shape. Thanks to their time and effort. We now have new dirt on the infield, a new scoreboard installed, a press box, and almost completed concession stand/restroom facility that will service all three fields.

We opened the season on March 8 against Huckaby with a 10-0 win. Zack Edington was the winning pitcher. Carlton Thomas had the only hit (a double) and Jarad Richards and Jeremy Barnett scored three runs each while Joseph Turner was credited with the save.

Over Spring Break and short some players, we split one game each in a doubleheader with A.C.H.S. We won the first game 8-7. Edington got the win with Donnie Dillard picking up the save. The hitting was better with Dillard and Thomas having two each.

Dusty Hinkle and Thomas combined for 5 R.B.I.'s in the win. The second game was a long one.

We dropped the decision 10-13 in extra innings after coming back to tie the score at 9 in the last inning.

Brock Walker, Dillard and Barnett had the only hits while Hinkle added 3 R.B.I.'s. Barnett also reached base five for five.

On Tuesday, March 19, we beat Evant 9-5. Seven different people had hits. Joseph Turner pitched all seven innings to get the win. Richards had two hits and Walker added two R.B.I.'s

The bats really came alive in our game Friday with Lingleville. We combined for 20 hits. Jeff Brown, Hinkle, Walker, and Dillard had three hits each. Thomas, Turner, and Barnett had two hits each. Barnett had a double and a triple. Five players wound up with four or more R.B.I.'s. Richards picked up the win while Edington got the save.

The 1996 players are as follows: Donnie Dillard, Brock Walker, Jeff Brown, Jeremy Barnett, Jarad Richards, Joseph Turner, Carlton Thomas, Leif Hunter, Justin Hopkins, Zack Edington, Dusty Hinkle, Justin McWhirter and Sam Nixon.

NORTH AMERICAN YOUTH BASKETBALL TO HOLD MAJOR NATIONAL TOURNAMENT

Due to the tremendous response from coaches, players, and parents in the greater Texas region, North American Youth Basketball announced today that its tenth annual national tournament and championship will be held July 24-28, 1996 in the Longview-Tyler-Kilgore-Marshall area.

Twelve different area high school courts will be utilized for this event, which annually hosts all member NAYB teams as well as non-organization teams, making this one of the largest 5-on-5 tournaments in the world. Economic impact on the community with food, motels, and entertainment is over \$1,000,000 each year.

There are ten different brackets of competition. 5th-6th grade boys, 5th-

6th grade girls, 7th grade boys, 7th grade girls, 8th grade boys, 8th grade girls, 9th-10th grade boys, 9th-10th grade girls, 11th-12th grade boys, and 11th-12th grade girls.

There are two levels of participation. A five game minimum guarantee is \$275, while a ten game minimum guarantee is \$425. The tournament is open to the first 200 teams. The entry deadline is May 24, 1996, or earlier if the tournament fills quickly.

For an entry form or for further information, contact Tommy Aldridge at (903) 845-5192 during the evenings, or at work at (903) 663-1301. Entry forms can also be obtained from the NAYB national office toll free at 1-800-787-3265.



Meat Judging Team Scored High At WTC

SNYDER—Western Texas College's agriculture department sponsored a meats judging contest on March 19. Cross Plains High School student Jancal Stephens was among the students recognized for individual awards. Jancal placed 1st, with a score of 550, and she came in first in the Retail I.D. category, with a score of 221. The Cross Plains team placed 2nd overall, with a team score of 1529. Students judged pork, lamb, ham, beef ribs, and beef retail cut class to determine quality and yield grading.

LOCAL 4-H NEWS

The Callahan County 4-H Shooting Club will be taking donations for a queen size, Lone Star Quilt. Donations are \$1.00 each or 6 for \$5.00, and can be seen at the First National Bank of Baird. The quilt will be given away Saturday, April 6th, at the District 7 Fun Shoot. You do not have to be present to win.

All proceeds will go toward buying supplies and awards. All donations are appreciated.

For more information, contact Bob or Cookie Robinson at 893-5625.



Early Out Fri., April 4

The name for the sixth day of the week—Friday—comes from the Anglo-Saxon word Frigedæga, which means Frigg's day. Frigg is the goddess of love in Norse mythology.

School will dismiss and buses will run at 2:15 p.m. on April 4 to begin the Easter holiday.

School will resume at the regular time Tuesday, April 9.



A full moon is considered unlucky on Sunday, but lucky on Monday, Moon Day.

Keeping an eye on Texas

Texas farmers/ranchers to pump nearly \$15 billion into state economy

Texas agricultural earnings will be up by 4.3 percent over 1995. Cash receipts are climbing, exports are up and new markets are flourishing, ensuring that agriculture will bring in nearly \$15 billion during 1996 and remain one of Texas' thriving industries in the future.

Estimated 1996 market value of top 10 Texas crops, in billions	
Beef	\$4.8
Cotton*	\$2.3
Milk	\$2.0
Nursery	\$1.7
Timber	\$1.7
Corn	\$1.6
Broilers	\$1.5
Sorghum	\$1.4
Wheat	\$1.3
Eggs	\$1.1
Rice	\$1.0

* Estimates for cotton lint and seed.

SOURCES: John Sharp, Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts, Texas A&M Extension Service and Texas Agricultural Statistics Services.

SCHOOL LUNCH MENU

APRIL 1 - APRIL 5 (Subject to Change)

BREAKFAST

MONDAY — Cream of wheat, toast, apple juice and milk.

TUESDAY — Pancake, bacon, grape juice and milk.

WEDNESDAY — Biscuit, gravy, sausage, orange juice and milk.

THURSDAY — Choice of dry cereal, toast, apple juice and milk.

FRIDAY — HOLIDAY LUNCH

MONDAY — Ham Slices, scalloped potatoes, broccoli, rolls, diced peaches and milk.

TUESDAY — Vegetable/beef soup, grilled cheese sandwich, crackers, pear slices and milk.

WEDNESDAY — Tacos, Jello w/fruit, salad, corn and milk.

THURSDAY — Submarine sandwich, lettuce, tomato, salad, pickles, chips, ice cream and milk.

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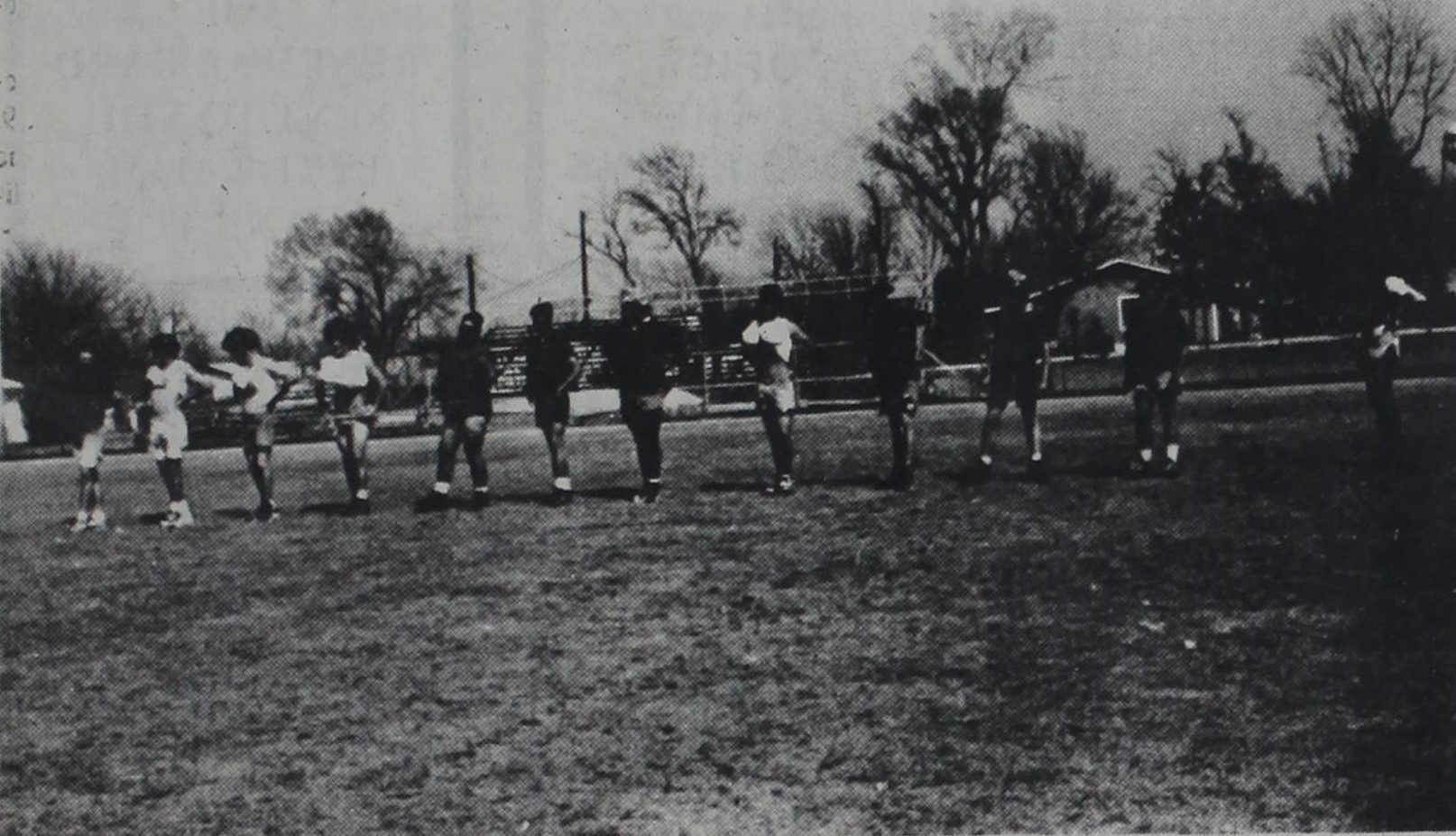
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FOOTBALL SWEETHEART — Sunday afternoon. Other nominees Sweetheart Chuckine "Lovey" Loudermilk (from left) was crowned were Corine "Sweetie" Switzer, Donnine "Dollface" Dillard, and Jeremine "Baby" Barnett.



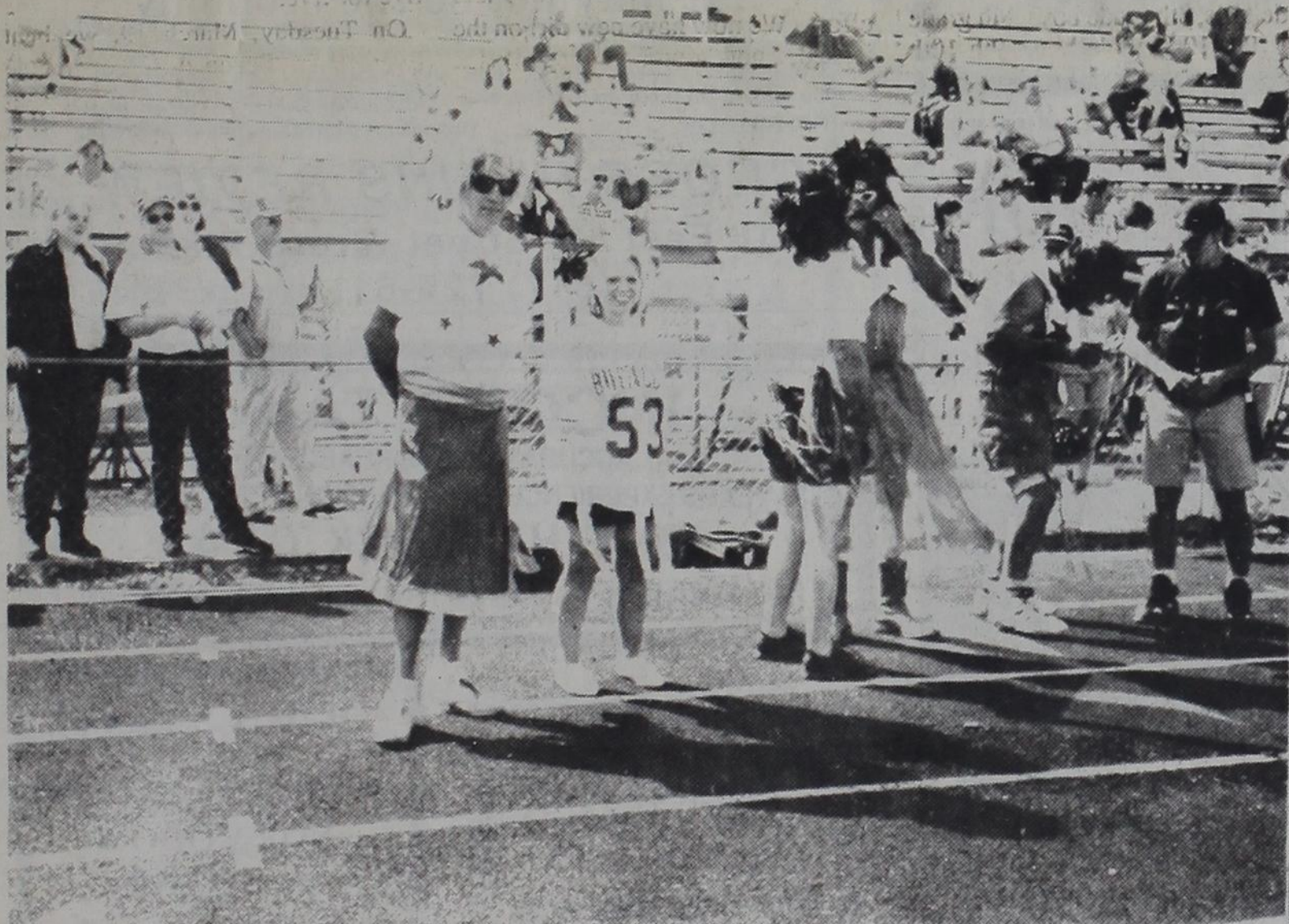
BOUNTIFUL BUFFETTES — Worsham, "Racey Randette"/Randy Turney, and "Kissin Kenette"/Ken Hunter. "Bouncin Bobette"/Bob Golson Pancake, "Gracious Gregette"/Greg (from left), "Cooin Craigette"/Craig



DANDY DOLLS DRILL TEAM — Justin Hopkins (from left), Jarad Richards, Leif Hunter, Jody Fortune, Michael McClure, Kevin Nickerson, Thomas, Kye King, Scott Brame, and Cory Switzer, Joseph Turner, Carlton Bay Kirkham.



POWDER PUFF ACTION — Sophomore girls and moms show competitive spirit.



KXYL REPRESENTATIVES — Hughes were willing participants in the Dust/Grassbur Classic. Chuck Loudermilk and Jennifer

SUPER SOPH SUNDAY CONT.

flag football game. Pam Porter of the Wild Things scored the first touchdown but the extra points failed. Laura Ricci made two touchdowns and ran in the extra points for the Super Sophs and More bringing the final score to 16-6.

Highlights for the Wild Things were Debbie Thomas fumbling and Barbara Sowell picking up the ball and running for a 1st down and Pam Porter twisting and turning her way to two 1st downs. The Wild Things line held the Super Sophs the entire 3rd quarter under the expertise of Coach Mac McConal.

Super Sophs and More were outstanding in their performance on the field and represented their class well under the coaching staff of Matt Reed, J.J. Higgins, and Dusty Bowden.

Kevin McLean served as referee and his job proved interesting.

The music, under the supervision of Nathaniel Swift and Benji Blackstock, was up-beat and prompted the cheerleaders into gear. Mascot for the Super Sophs Cheerleaders, Bay Kirkham, performed an unforgettable solo to the roar of the audience.

The Dandy Dolls Drill Team was a big hit as they performed a well rehearsed routine under the direction of Melissa Richards and Tasha Webb. The Dandy Dolls were dressed for the occasion and put on a show.

The football sweetheart nominees were announced at the half also. They were Cory Switzer, Donnie Dillard, Jeremy Barnett, and Chuck Loudermilk, representing KXYL 104.1 from Brownwood. Loudermilk was chosen sweetheart and presented a helmet and bouquet of flowers. The nominees looked outstanding, very

classy.

The field goal contest was won by Brandon Holcomb, a Senior at Cross Plains High School.

Citanya Scott and Shirley Davis won the two cakes drawn for during the half.

The crowd enjoyed hamburgers cooked by KXYL and goodies from the concession stand. The concessionaires, David Reed, Jeremy Box, John Worsham, and Nick Graves kept drinks, popcorn, and candy available for the spectators.

Video tape sales were good and if you would like a tape of the afternoon of fun, call Julie Worsham at 725-6121 for your copy, right away!

The event was light-hearted and fun and the Sophomore Class appreciates the cooperation of everyone in making Super Sophs Sunday an overwhelming success.

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Studies Show Children's Immunization Rate Low

Only 55 percent of Texas children under age two have had all recommended immunizations, according to a study published in the March issue of Texas Medicine. The article, written by Dr. Diane M. Simpson and Lucina Suarez of the Texas Department of Health Department of Disease Prevention and Control, concluded that special initiatives are needed to improve immunization rates among certain ethnic and low-income populations. Texas Medicine is the official news magazine of Texas Medical Association. The article was based on a 1994 TDH immunization survey that included 4,552 in-person interviews with parents or legal guardians of children aged three to 24 months. Although the study showed progress is being made in increasing immunization rates, the authors said much work remains to be done. "This 1994 snapshot of the immunization status of Texas children shows how much work remains to achieve the national goal of having 90 percent of two-year-olds up-to-date on their immunizations," the authors wrote. "Failure to address the gaps identified in this study will leave our children vulnerable to outbreaks of vaccine-preventable diseases." The survey showed that Hispanic children, children enrolled in Women, Infants, and Children programs and children living in border communities had the highest levels of immunizations in the state. Special outreach programs along the Texas-

Mexico border may have played a role in those high immunization rates. Immunization rates among African-American children, and children on Medicaid and Aid to Families with Dependent Children were below statewide averages. Also, children with no health insurance and those with private insurance had equivalent immunization levels. "The lower immunization level in African-American children demands immediate action," the authors wrote. "Issues such as access to vaccines, missed opportunities, and parents' perceptions of immunizations and knowledge of the immunizations schedule need to be examined." Children should have at least three immunization visits in the first year of life and one visit in the second year to receive the recommended doses of diphtheria, tetanus and pertussis (DTP), oral polio (OPV), Haemophilus influenzae type b (Hib), hepatitis B, and measles, mumps, and rubella (MMR) vaccines. Texas Medical Association is a professional organization of more than 34,000 physician and medical student members. It is located in Austin and has 119 component county medical societies around the state. The Association represents 84 percent of the doctors of medicine licensed and residing in Texas and 96 percent of the state's allopathic medical students. TMA's key objective is to improve the health of Texans.



MRS. EDGAR HUGO ALBRECHT, JR.

Foster - Albrecht United In Marriage March 2

Jody Michelle Foster and Edgar Hugo Albrecht, Jr. were united in marriage at five o'clock in the afternoon on March 2, 1996, at First Cumberland Presbyterian Church in Austin. Dr. Loyce Estes, of Jefferson officiated the ceremony with music provided by organist Susan York, soloist Al Patschke and harpist Deborah Swartouw. The reception followed at Ben Hur Shrine Temple with music by Johnny Gimble and Texas Swing. The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Mickey Joe Foster of Pflugerville and direct descendant of Nancy Hanks, the mother of President Abraham Lincoln. She is the granddaughter of Mrs. Estelle Springate of Taylor and the late Thomas Hanks Springate; Mr. and Mrs. Fred L. Foster, Jr. of Austin and the late JoAnn Rose Foster. She is the great-granddaughter of Mrs. Ruth Foster of Austin and the late Fred L. Foster, Sr. The groom is the son of Ms. Barbara Albrecht of Cross plains and Mr. Edgar H. Albrecht, Sr. of Cross plains. He is the grandson of Mrs. Maxine Wise of Broken Bow, Oklahoma and the late Herbert Vernon Andrews; and Mrs. Amy Albrecht of Cross Plains and the late Edgar Albrecht. The bride, who was given in marriage by her father, wore a sheath style gown of white Alencon lace designed by Bianchi of New York. The bodice featured a sweetheart

neckline. On the shoulder long sleeves extended to a point at the wrists. The chapel length train was fashioned of white Italian satin and lavished with the matching Alencon lace, pearls and beads of her gown. Her headpiece was a circlet of lace and satin rose clusters that held a veil of white illusion. It fell across her shoulders and extended into the folds of her train and beyond. The bride's bouquet was a teardrop design of white Tienenke roses, hot pink Ravel roses, stargazers and stephanotis. The bridesmaids wore gowns by Bianchi, a tailored sheath style with bolero in navy blue linen. Each carried a single, long-stemmed hot pink Ravel rose. Miss Tara Hickey of Austin and North Carolina served as maid of honor. Bridesmaids were Miss Shannon Barnett of San Marcos, Mrs. Linda Gantt of Louisiana and Miss Mirelle Ryan of Colorado and Houston. Junior bridesmaid was Miss Allison Bruce of Austin. Flowergirl was Sarah Brown, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lamar Brown of Austin. Bridal registry attendant was Miss Emma Albrecht of Cross Plains, sister of the groom. Mr. Don Sibley of Abilene served as best man. Groomsman were Mr. Shane Foster of Elgin, brother of the bride, Mr. Derron Duffey of Lubbock and Mr. Joe O'Brian of Belton. Junior Groomsman was Mr. Andrew Albrecht of Cross Plains, brother of the groom. Poetry reading was given by Mr. Mathew Bruce of Austin. Ringbearer was Zackery Dannelly, son of Mr. and Mrs. Warren Dannelly of Round Rock. Serving as ushers were Mr. Shane Barnett of College Station, Mr. Dave Condon of Arlington and Mr. Brandon Brydson of Pflugerville. The bride received a Bachelor of Journalism in Public Relations from The University of Texas at Austin in May 1995 and will be employed as an office manager with Famous Construction Corporation. The groom attended Texas Tech University and The University of Texas at Arlington and majored in mechanical engineering. He was a member of Sigma Phi Epsilon fraternity. He is currently employed by Famous Construction Corporation as a project superintendent. Following a wedding trip to Lake Tahoe, Jody and Ed now reside in Austin.

Annual Clean Up Day April 29

Project Pride and the Chamber of Commerce have set April 27-29 as clean up days for Cross Plains residents. BFI will be here on Monday, April 29 to pickup any trash, junk or other unwanted items at your regular drop off spot. Everyone is encouraged to "spring clean" and help keep our community attractive. Main Street merchants are encour-

aged to replace their "whiskey barrel" planters with large flower pots. An example can be seen in front of Mozelle's. She recently purchased a plastic "clay" pot to plant flowers in. It is very attractive and practical. The flower pots can be purchased from Higginbotham's, Koehnig's and Lawrence Farm and Ranch Supply.

Sporting Clay Trailer At County Shooting Range April 6 & 7

The Texas Parks & Wildlife 5- Stand Sporting Clay Trailer will be at the Callahan County Shooting Range April 6-7 in conjunction with the District 7 4-H Shoot. It will be open for public shooting Saturday 12 noon to 7:00 p.m. and on Sunday 10:00 a.m. to 5:00

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The Chamber of Commerce is in the process of compiling a list of prop-

erties available for day lease. This would include the dove, quail, turkey and deer seasons. Property owners who prefer day leases are encouraged to call the Chamber office at 725-7251 to leave their information to be added to our list. Please provide a name, address, day and night phone number, hunting seasons available and the daily rate per gun. Day leasing can be a profitable venture for those who don't want an annual lease arrangement.

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CHAD BAGLEY AND TINA MCCLURE

McClure - Bagley Engagement Announced

Ron and Garnette Bagley of Cross Plains would like to announce the engagement of their son, Chad Bagley of Abilene, to Tina McClure of Sweetwater. Tina is the daughter of Dudley and Linda McClure of Roby.

Chad graduated from Tarleton State University in May 1995 with a Bachelor of Science Degree in Agri-Business Management and is currently employed at Texas Farm Bureau in Abilene.

Tina graduated December 1994 from Tarleton State University with a

Bachelor of Science Degree in Elementary Education and is teaching first grade at J.P. Cowan Elementary in Sweetwater.

The couple is planning a July wedding.

Chad is the grandson of Charlene McGowen of Brownwood and the late Howard McGowen and Vada Bagley of Early. Ruby McCowen of Cross Plains his great-grandmother.

Mr. and Mrs. Waldo Gatewood of Sylvester are the grandparents of Tina.

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MARCH 30

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MARCH 31

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MATTHEW GORDON COLE ARRIVAL NOTED

Paula Kay and Mark Cole of Blaine, Minnesota are happy to announce the arrival of their son, Matthew Gordon. He was born on March 12, 1996, weighing 6 pounds 10 ounces and was 20 inches long.

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PREACHER, TELL ME....

Why do we go to church on Sunday and is Sunday and the Sabbath the same thing?

These two questions have been asked by many at one time or another in their Christian walk. We have had to seek an answer because of a general misunderstanding of the term "Sabbath" by Christians. We will try to use scripture to help you understand the difference between Sunday (The Lord's Day) and the Sabbath.

First question: Why do we go to church on Sunday? The Lord's day (Sunday, the first day of the week) was the day that Jesus was resurrected. Scriptures in all four gospels give account of this. It is obvious that early in the life of the church Christians met on "resurrection day" (the first day of the week) to worship. In Troas (Acts 20:7) "they worshiped in the word and observed the Lord's Supper on the first day of the week". Likewise we see in 1 Corinthians 16:2 that Paul urged the Church to set aside offerings on "the first day of the week". In the centuries that have followed, Sunday became the official and traditional day of worship for the Christian and remains so today. There is no doubt in my heart that God has blessed those who have worshiped Him through faith in His Son and, the Church (the body of Christ) has, by great majority, worshiped on Sunday.

Having said that, let me now clearly state that there is no record in scripture that the Church was commanded to worship on the first day of the week. Neither was there any command that the meetings of the Church for worship were to replace Sabbath observance. Keep in mind that (by looking at the number of Christians) the early Church was largely gentile, not Jewish. And, why should a body of gentile believers, with no Jewish background be required to observe a command that obviously was directed to Jews.

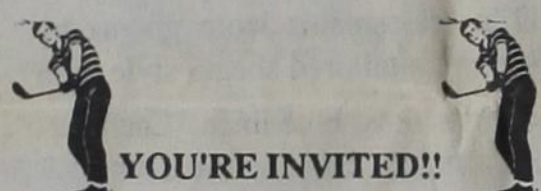
Which brings us to the second question: Is Sunday and the Sabbath the same thing? NO! Sabbath (seventh day) observance was commanded by the Lord God to be observed by His chosen people, the nation of Israel, the Jew. It was specifically given under the Mosaic Covenant (ie. the Fourth Commandment, Exodus 20:8-11). Scripture reinforces this: Nehemiah 9:13-14 clearly states that the Mosaic Covenant, including the Sabbath, was directed to the Israelites. "You made known to them Your Holy Sabbath" (v.14) certainly implies that the Sabbath as a special day of worship was not known or observed before the giving of the Law on Mt. Sinai. There is no scriptural evidence that indicates that any of the patriarchs preceding Moses observed the Sabbath or were required to do so. So, if Sabbath observance was not required of men of God before the Law was given, why should it be obligatory for those who live under the new Covenant of Christ?

The Sabbath is clearly a Jewish obligation under the Law. There are no commands in the New Testament for anyone not under the Law to keep the Sabbath. In fact, throughout the gospels, Jesus himself subscribed to every one of the Ten Commandments except the commandment to observe the Sabbath, although he observed the Sabbath as God intended. Paul rebuked the Galatian Christians (a gentile Church that had been influenced by false Jewish teachers) for observing sabbath days (Gal. 4:10). In Col. 2:17 he referred to the Sabbath days in the Law "as a shadow of things to come." Jesus established a New Covenant!

Although we don't and shouldn't observe the Sabbath, we should worship the Lord God seven days a week not just on the Lord's resurrection day (Sunday). The great majority of Christian denominations observe Sunday as a day of worship, praise, instruction and confession. Or do we?

Have a question for the preacher? Submit your questions to PREACHER TELL ME... Box 130, Cross Plains, Texas 76443.

Responses prepared by Dr. Jim H. O'Dell, Pastor FBC, Cross Plains, Tx.



The Board of Directors and the members of Lakewood Recreation Center would like to invite everyone out to view and enjoy the many improvements at Lakewood. We have been busy aerating the fairways, aerating and sanding the greens, and doing a substantial amount of dirt work. We have scraped, shaped, and smoothed the cart paths. There are now new bridges or culverts over all the water crossings.

The work completed on the cart paths is very important, because Lakewood will soon be receiving a shipment of newly reconditioned E-Z-Go golf cars. These carts are in excellent condition and will add immeasurable enjoyment to your golfing experience.

We will also be stocking the Pro Shop with abbreviated inventory of brand name golfing merchandise, such as balls, gloves, and clubs. This merchandise will be available on a local level through Golf USA in Abilene. Any item the golfer might need that we do not have in inventory can be ordered through the Pro Shop for prompt delivery.

We are also doing extensive work on the pool in anticipation of those long, hot summer months when a dip in a pool of cool water is so refreshing. We anticipate having the pool open for weekend use around May 1. It will be open for daily use once warmer weather arrives, and school dismissed for the summer months.

To enable you to join in the summer fun, Lakewood is conducting a membership drive during the month of March. New members joining during March will have the initiation fee waived. They will be entitled to all the amenities Lakewood has to offer for one low monthly fee. This means you will be able to enjoy unlimited golfing, swimming, fishing in our private lake, and use of the clubhouse for private functions at a reduced rate.

If you are searching for a place where you and your family can enjoy private club amenities at a reasonable price, we invite you to come out, look us over, and visit. We feel that we have a lot to offer now, and we are going to continue to improve.

PARVOVIRUS

There has been an alarming number of parvovirus infections diagnosed in this area in the last few weeks.

Canine parvovirus is a viral disease of dogs which is capable of causing two different sets of clinical problems. The first to be recognized, and the most common, is the "intestinal form" which is manifested by bloody diarrhea, vomiting, loss of appetite, depression and often death. The second to be recognized is the "cardiac form", which occurs in very young pups and is manifested by an acute inflammation of the heart muscle.

Any age, breed or sex of dog can be affected by parvovirus. Several factors such as age, environment, stress, parasites and general health status of each individual dog infected could affect the severity of illness. The disease is usually more severe in young dogs (less than 6 months of age) or old dogs. Early, vigorous treatment of the illness is imperative since vomiting and diarrhea can lead to dehydration and chemical imbalance in the body.

Control of parvovirus by sanitation measures alone is extremely difficult because the virus is such a resistant, hardy organism and because it is so easily spread. Parvovirus is transmitted through contact with the feces of an affected dog. The virus can be carried on the dogs hair and feet, as well as on contaminated cages, shoes, or other objects. Isolation of infected dogs is one method of control, although moderately effective. Just as any other virus, only vaccination of susceptible animals will control the actual source of infection.

A properly immunized dog will have circulating protection in the blood that will destroy parvovirus following exposure. It is important to begin vaccination at an early age and repeat every 2-3 weeks until the puppy is at least 14-16 weeks old. Adult dogs should receive two doses of vaccine given 3-4 weeks apart for maximum protection. All dogs should receive an annual booster vaccination to assure an enduring immunity.

Comparing the dog population in this area to the number of parvovirus infections that have been diagnosed, we have an infection percentage comparable to any other area in the state.

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