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LAURA RANKIN

## Laura Rankin Crowned Miss Texas Universal Girl

Laura Rankin was crowned "Miss Texas Universal Girl" at the Our Little Miss Pageant held June 30 - July 3. The competition is affiliated with the World Youth Federation, and the state pageant was held at the Plaza Hotel in Killeen.

Laura is 21 years old and attended Cross Plains I.S.D. from 1988-1990. Her mother, Shirley Rankin Harrelson, was a teacher at Cross Plains. Laura is a junior at Tarleton State University and is a Tarleton Distinguished Student with a 3.75 GPA.

Miss Rankin competed in several divisions including Interview, Sportswear, and Evening Gown. She

performed a ballet on pointe for her Talent Competition. She sang "The Star Spangled Banner" a cappella for the opening ceremony. Laura also presided at the final awards presentation as a reigning queen.

In August, Laura will be representing Texas in the World Competition held in Baton Rouge, Louisiana. She will be competing for the World Universal Girl crown in the 18 and over division.

She is the daughter of Shirley Rankin Harrelson of Fort Worth and the granddaughter of Oliver and Frances Smith of Pioneer, and Ray and Irene Rankin of Rising Star.

## Stolen Property Recovered At Local Residence

On Friday evening, July 12, a search warrant that was served on a Cross Plains residence yielded big rewards. The search warrant was served as a joint venture of the Brown County Sheriffs Department, The Cross Plains Police Department, and Callahan County constable Kevin Weiss recovered many items that were taken during a burglary in Brown County.

The burglary which had taken place in a rural area of Brown County had not yet been discovered by the victims when Brown County Deputy David Mercer was fast closing in on the suspects. The trail left by the suspects led Deputy Mercer to the quiet little town of Cross Plains. The suspects were out of town when the search warrant was served and the property recovered. No arrest had been made as of Saturday morning but the investigation is still underway. The Callahan county Sheriffs Department was busy in another part of the county at the time the search warrant was served and was unable to participate.

I would like to thank Callahan County Deputy Billy Myrick for his assistance in the investigation which led to the issuance of the search warrant. Cross Plains citizens are urged to keep their eyes and ears open and to report any suspicious activity to the police. It is only with the cooperation of the citizens and all law enforcement agencies working together can we keep this part of the state a good place to live.

Submitted by Don Griffith, Cross Plains Police Department

## Senior Citizens To Relocate For Now

Beginning Monday, July 22, the Cross Plains Senior Citizens Center will be meeting at the Community Center on a temporary basis. Following are excerpts from the minutes of the Cross Plains City Council:

**The City of Cross Plains held an emergency meeting Wednesday, July 10, at 8:30 p.m. to discuss allowing the Senior Citizens to relocate temporarily into the Community Center, due to insufficient air conditioning at present site.**

The use of this building by the Senior Citizens will not affect use of the Community Center by any other individuals or organizations.

The Senior Citizens Center is open Monday through Friday from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. and lunch is served at 12:00. Suggested donations for a meal is \$1.75. All 60+ persons are invited to some and join the fun and fellowship! Transportation to the center is available, you may call 725-6521 for information.

## Cottonwood Musical Fri., July 19

The Cottonwood Quilting Club will have their monthly country and western musical on Friday, July 19 starting at 6:30 p.m. at the Cottonwood Community Center.

The emcee for the evening will be Smokey Callaway. All country and western musicians are invited to attend.

## Cheer Clinic To Be Held Aug. 5-9

The Cross Plains Varsity Cheerleaders will be holding their annual "Cheer Clinic" August 5-9 from 9:30 - 11:30 a.m. The camp is open to all girls entering K-6 in the 96-97 school year. The cost will be \$25, with T-shirt included. Please try to be pre-registered by August 1 for convenience. For more information call (817) 725-6522 or (817) 643-4648.

## TRIAD Salt Council Meeting Held July 10

The Salt Council met in Baird, Wednesday, July 10, at 2:00 p.m. at the Callahan County Courthouse.

Preparations were made to display the quilt that will be given away in a drawing at the Council meeting on August 14 in Cross Plains.

The locations for display are as follows: July 11-16, in the lobby of the Citizens State Bank, July 17, in the Senior Citizens Center both in Cross Plains. July 18-23 in the First National Bank, and July 24 at the Senior Citizens Center both in Baird. July 25-30 in the Peoples State Bank and July 31 at the Senior Citizens Center both in Clyde.

See TRIAD page 8

## CROSS PLAINS JR. RODEO JULY 25, 26, & 27

The Cross Plains Roping Club will have their annual Jr. Rodeo July 25, 26, and 27. Performances begin at 7:30 p.m. each night. Admission is \$1.00 for 12 and under and \$3.00 for 13 and up. The dance will begin at 9:00 p.m. on Friday and Saturday with music by "The Texas Connection." Admission for the dance is \$5 per person.

This years age groups and list of events are as follows: Age as of January 1, 1996, 8 and under - Barrels, Poles, Flags, Breakaway, and Calf Riding. Ages 9-12 - Barrels, Poles, Flags, Breakaway, Ribbon, and Steer Riding. Ages 13-15 - Barrels, Poles, Flags, Breakaway,

Ribbon, Tiedown and Jr. Bull Riding. Ages 16-19 - Barrels, Poles, Flags, Breakaway, Ribbon, Tiedown and Sr. Bull Riding.

Entry fees are \$8 each for 8 and under; \$10 each for 9-12 and 13-15; \$15 each for 16-19. Jackpot each night, cash entries only, pay back in cash. Contestants will not be reimbursed for gate admission. All underage contestants must have a parental consent form.

Montana Silversmith buckles will be awarded to all around boy and girl in each age group.

Plan now to come join us for a weekend of family fun.

## Recycle For The Scouts

The Cross Plains Cub Scouts will be recycling old phone books July 18 thru July 25. If you have any books, please contact a scout or drop them by West Texas Utilities.

Your assistance in this worthy project would be greatly appreciated.

## Revival Begins At Highway 206 Baptist Mission July 29

There will be a revival at the Highway 206 Baptist Mission beginning Monday, July 29 through Wednesday, July 31 starting at 7:00 p.m. nightly.

Rex Boggs of Gunsight will be the evangelist for the 3 day revival. Ike Whitson of Carbon will lead the music and Judy Lewis of Nimrod will be pianist.

Everyone is invited to attend one or all of the services as your presence will be welcomed.

## First United Methodist Church VBS Sunday, July 21

A walk with Abraham is the theme for a one day Bible school at First United Methodist Church.

The time is set to start at 2:00 p.m. however, the children need to be there at 1:45 to register.

Snacks and crafts will go along on the trip with Abraham as well as lots of adult travelers to tell story's and help the kids learn about people in Bible days. The trip will be in the church fellowship hall, parking lot, and lawn of the church, where there will be small live animals to visit.

Activities will end at 5:00 p.m. and children can be picked up. If you need a ride call Betty at the church office.

All children in the community are invited to attend.

## Chamber of Commerce Banquet Tickets On Sale Until July 25

The Cross Plains Chamber of Commerce Annual Banquet will be held Thursday, July 25, at the Cross Plains Community Center. The Silent Auction will begin at 6:00 p.m. and serving will commence at 6:30 p.m.

Dr. Gary McCaleb, Mayor of Abilene, will be the guest speaker.

Tickets are available thru July 23 at Tim's Floral and Gifts, West Texas Utilities, Citizens State Bank, The Backroom, or Chamber of Commerce. No tickets will be available at the door!

## "Go For The Goal" VBS At Pioneer Baptist Begins July 29

All area children 4-years-old to 7th grade are invited to Vacation Bible School at Pioneer Baptist Church July 29 through August 2 from 6:00 to 8:30 p.m.

If anyone needs a ride please call 725-7776.

## ATTENTION C.P.I.S.D. Athletes

All students who are planning on participating in athletics at Cross Plains I.S.D. for the 1996-97 school year:

If you will be in the 7th, 8th, 9th grade or if you had an injury requiring a doctor's care, you must have a physical in order to participate.

Physicals will be given free of charge beginning at 1:30 p.m. on Thursday, July 25, by Charles Stephenson.

Come to the gym, first come, first serve. Girls should wear a bathing suit under their clothes if possible. Notification was given by the Cross Plains I.S.D. Coaching Staff.

## Colonial Oaks Services

Cottonwood Baptist will conduct worship services at Colonial Oaks Nursing Home on Sunday, July 21, commencing at 3:30 p.m.



DO YOU REMEMBER? — This is an old photo taken at a birthday party in the Dressy Community.

## Dressy School Reunion Set For August 10

Dressy School Reunion will be held Saturday, August 10, beginning at 9:30 a.m. at the Cross Plains Multi-Purpose Center located on 8th Street. Lunch will be catered by Barr's Bar-

B-Que. Anyone wishing to stay for lunch should contact Helen Walker at (817) 725-6210 or Tommie Harris (817) 725-7254 for reservations.

Anyone who attended the Dressy School, lived in Dressy Community, or have any contacts with the community are cordially invited to attend.

SEE ADDITIONAL PHOTOS INSIDE THIS ISSUE

## Cross Cut School Homecoming July 21

The Cross Cut School Homecoming will be held in the Cross Plains Community Center Sunday, July 21. All former students, teachers, fam-

ily, and friends are urged to attend.

A covered dish luncheon will be served at noon. A business meeting

will follow with lots of "I Remember" times. Please bring any pictures of Cross Cut school days.



## COURTHOUSE NEWS

**COUNTY COURT**  
Bill Johnson, presiding

**Misdemeanor Filings**  
Alfredo Mendez, Jr., possession of marijuana.  
Ginger Ann Lenz, theft.  
Charged with theft & criminal mischief: Buddy Kyle Lackey, Timothy O'Brien Lewis.

**Misdemeanor Minutes**  
Jason Monsey, probation revoked; sentence to 20 days in jail.

Michael Johnson, probation revoked; sentenced to 60 days in jail.

Lupe A. Garcia, Jr., TPC (theft of property by check) dismissed.

Found guilty of TPC, fined \$10 each plus \$155 court costs each: Maxine Lively, Patsy Hampton, Lora Mosley.

Nolan Robert Springer, fleeing from police, \$400 fine \$142 court costs, 9 months deferred probation.

Jimmy D. Layman, motion filed to revoke probation.

Beverly R. Schnabel, TPC, \$10 fine \$120 court costs.

Laveda Brown, TPC, \$10 fine \$173 court costs.

Probations discharged: John Cory Nichols, Sonny Armstrong, Manuel Gonzales, Jr., Heriberto Hernandez, Jr.

**42nd DISTRICT COURT**  
John Weeks, presiding

**Civil Filing**  
Divorce filed:  
Sanders, Lisa Lynne & Russell Scott.

**Civil Minutes**  
Michael W. McMillan, found to be \$6644.68 in arrears on child support; new schedule of payments began 7-1-96.

Divorces granted:  
Ballard, Helen Marie & Ricky Dan.

Larson, Laura Michelle & David "Eric".

**Felony Minutes**  
Ernest Arthur Haynes, aggravated robbery, 30 days in jail.

David Ladrué Brown, probation revoked; sentenced to 10 years at TDC.

Trevor Deal, arson, \$2000 fine \$174.50 court costs, \$666 restitution.

Joe Bryan Underwood, arson, \$2000 fine \$174.50 court costs, \$666 restitution.

## 90% Of Eligible Acreage Enrolled

WASHINGTON, July 12, 1996 - Agriculture Secretary Dan Glickman announced today that preliminary figures indicate over 90 percent of eligible acreage has been enrolled in 7-year Production Flexibility Contracts by July 12, the announced closing date.

"We are very pleased with this rate of participation," Glickman said. "However, county offices of USDA's Farm Service Agency (FSA) have kept a very close check on enrollment of known eligible producers had not enrolled by the announced closing date.

"There is no statutory authority to enroll after August 1, 1996, and no exceptions may be made for producers who do not enroll by August 1, 1996," said Glickman. "The law is clear. Except for land coming out of the Conservation Reserve Program (CRP), the Secretary may not enter into a contract after August 1, 1996."

"It is quite possible that some of these failures to enroll were due to circumstances beyond the producer's control," Glickman said. "Therefore, FSA local offices are notifying these producers immediately, by letter, that while they did not enroll by the announced closing date of July 12, they may 'late-file', up to August 1, 1996, and they should contact their local FSA office at once. This is absolutely their last chance and there will be no exceptions made for producers who miss this statutory deadline."

## OBITUARIES

### Linda Podlevski

Linda Podlevski, 46, of Burkett died Friday, July 12, 1996, at her home.

Services were held at 2 p.m. Wednesday at the Burkett Cemetery Pavilion with the Rev. Wright Price officiating. Private family interment services followed, directed by Stevens Funeral Home.

Mrs. Podlevski was born in Los Angeles, California, and also lived the San Fernando Valley and Santa Clarita Valley. She moved to Burkett in 1983 and was a nurse's aide at Coleman Care Center. She married Robert Podlevski in 1970 in California.

Survivors include her husband, of Burkett; two sons, Tim Podlevski of Burkett and Daniel Podlevski of Abilene; her mother, Mildred Coffey of Burkett; her father, T.R. Coffey of Phoenix, Arizona; and two sisters, Gail Podlevski of Burkett and Jan Aristondo of Coleman.

Memorials may be made to the American Cancer Society.

### Nora Dean Billingsley

Nora Dean Billingsley, 91, passed away Saturday, July 13, 1996, in San Antonio.

Graveside services were held at 2:00 p.m. Monday, July 15, in Sunset Memorial Park.

Mrs. Billingsley was born June 12, 1905 in Cross Plains to James (Jim) Perry Cross and Catherine (Kate) Jefferson Clark.

She was preceded in death by her husband, William Thorton Billingsley.

Survivors include two nephews, Charles A. Cross and Jimmy Cross; and one niece, Nancy Dean Conthard.

## OIL NEWS

### Wildcats

#### Callahan

HOFCO Inc., Abilene, will drill a wildcat, No. 2 Harris, to 1,999 in the Regular 10 miles northwest of Cross Plains on a 566-acre lease. Spots 2,700 FSL and 4,399 FWL, Block 221, John H. Pickens, A-282.

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What is lovely never dies but passes into other loveliness, star-dust, or sea foam, flower or winged air.

—Thomas Bailey Aldrich

## CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

July 2, 1996

This was a regular meeting of the Cross Plains City Council. Members present were Mayor Ray Purvis, Edwin Weiss, Ray Womack, James Nichols, and Jerry Cassle.

Minutes of the last meeting were approved as read.

David Clark presents the council with figures for the roof on the Senior Citizens Center. Labor and materials were approximately \$13,584.06. Discussion was held concerning allowing Senior Citizens to use the Community Center. The matter was tabled until further information was available.

Nursing home appreciation week was proclaimed for August 5-9th.

Discussion was held concerning Military Service Credit for Roger Wilson's retirement. It was noted that Roger is not eligible for this Credit until he has 10 year's services with the City. An ordinance for the service was tabled until next meeting.

Ray Womack moved to pay bills. James Nichols seconded and motion carried.

Bob Hill presented the Judge's report.

Edwin Weiss moved to go into an executive session to discuss personnel. James Nichols seconded and motion carried.

James Nichols moved to return to open meeting. Edwin Weiss seconded and motion carried.

James Nichols moved to continue with Debbie Gosnell making the schedule for the Chief of Police and allowing him to choose the one weekend per month off. Edwin Weiss seconded and motion carried.

Ray Womack moved to adjourn. James Nichols seconded and motion carried.

Ray Purvis, Mayor  
Debbie Gosnell, Secretary

July 10, 1996

This was a special emergency meeting of the Cross Plains City Council. Members present were Mayor Ray Purvis, Ray Womack, Jerry Cassle, Edwin Weiss, and James Nichols.

The council met in emergency meeting to discuss allowing the Senior Citizens the use of the Community Center because of air conditioning problems suffered at their present location. Discussion was held at length concerning the use of the Community Center until cooler weather arrives to help the Seniors tolerate the hotter temperatures.

Jerry Cassle moved to allow the Senior Citizens to use the Community Center with the following stipulations:

## VETERANS NEWS

**DIRECT DEPOSIT**...Every month or so this office receives a distress call from someone who did not get their VA check in the mail on the first day of the month. Use Direct Deposit and avoid that problem!!!!

**KOREAN WAR MARINES**...A letter has been received from Ann Hammers, Assistant Head of the U.S. Marine Corps Casualty Section. Her office serves as liaison between the government and family members of "unaccounted for" Marines. Her office has family members in this category from Korea, the Cold War and Vietnam. That service is trying to update their database for the families of these Marines from the Korean War. If you know of anyone who is a family member of one of these Marines, please ask them to call Ms. Hammers at 800-847-1597.

**Q & A**...Question-Our family depends on my husband's service-connected disability compensation to live on, but he is facing criminal charges. Will we lose that income if he is convicted? Answer-If the Veteran's incarceration in a federal, state or local penal institution is for 60 days or less, or if the crime was not a felony, there is no effect on VA compensation. However, if incarceration for a felony extends beyond 60 days, Veterans service connected at 20 percent or greater are reduced to the 10 percent rate, while Veterans rated at less than 20 percent receive half their normal compensation rate. All or part of the compensation withheld may be apportioned to the incarcerated Veteran's spouse, children or dependent parents based on individual need.

**KOREAN WAR MEMORIAL**...The July 8 edition of *The Dallas Morning News* carries an article on the editorial page regarding the possibility of a Korean War Memorial being erected on the grounds of our State Capitol. Thanks to the efforts of the Lone Star Chapter of the Korean War Veterans Association, a Texas memorial was approved last year by the Texas Legislature and the Texas Board of Preservation.

The memorial will be dedicated to the 286,000 Texas service people who served in Korea. It will bear the names of the 1,719 Texans killed in action or still listed as missing. A site on the northwest corner of the Capitol grounds has been designated. But \$230,000 still must be raised from private donations before the project can get under way. As the 43rd anniversary of the end of the Korean War and first anniversary of the national memorial approaches, it would be fitting that Texas people do their part to make this long-overdue memorial a reality by contributing to the memorial fund. The article did not have an address for donations so this will be supplied in a later column.

**ABILENE OUTPATIENT CLINIC**...We have no new word from the Big Spring VA Medical Center regarding transfer of the Abilene OPCC to the Dyess AFB Hospital. Last news called for the move to be made on July 21. Stay tuned....

**A QUOTE**...Phyllis Diller says that golf has taught her that there is a connection between pain and pleasure. Golf spelled backwards is "flog".

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## CHURCH SERVICES

### FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

10TH & MAIN CROSS PLAINS (817) 725-7629  
Sunday School ..... 9:45 a.m.  
Morning Worship ..... 11:00 a.m.  
Evening Worship ..... 7:00 p.m.  
Wed. Prayer Service ..... 7:00 p.m.  
Dr. Jim H. O'Dell - Pastor - 725-7556 • Jeep Calvert - Youth - 725-6382  
Gene Greenwood - Music

### UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

9TH & AVE. D CROSS PLAINS  
WORSHIP SERVICE ..... 9:30 A.M.  
BIBLE CLASS ..... 10:30 A.M.  
Rev. Henry Grubbs, Pastor  
Everyone Welcome

### Living Water Ministries Fellowship

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Sunday Morning 10:00 a.m. Thursday Evening 7:00 p.m.  
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1-800-252-3629

### FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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Sunday School .... 9:45 a.m. Morning Worship .... 10:45 a.m.  
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OUR CHURCH OFFICE OR PARSONAGE.  
Church - (817) 725-7377 • Parsonage - (817) 725-7694  
Rev. Hubert L. Austin, Pastor

## Go For The Goal!

### Vacation Bible School Pioneer Baptist Church

July 29 - August 2  
6:00 - 8:30 p.m.

If You Need A Ride Call 725-7776.

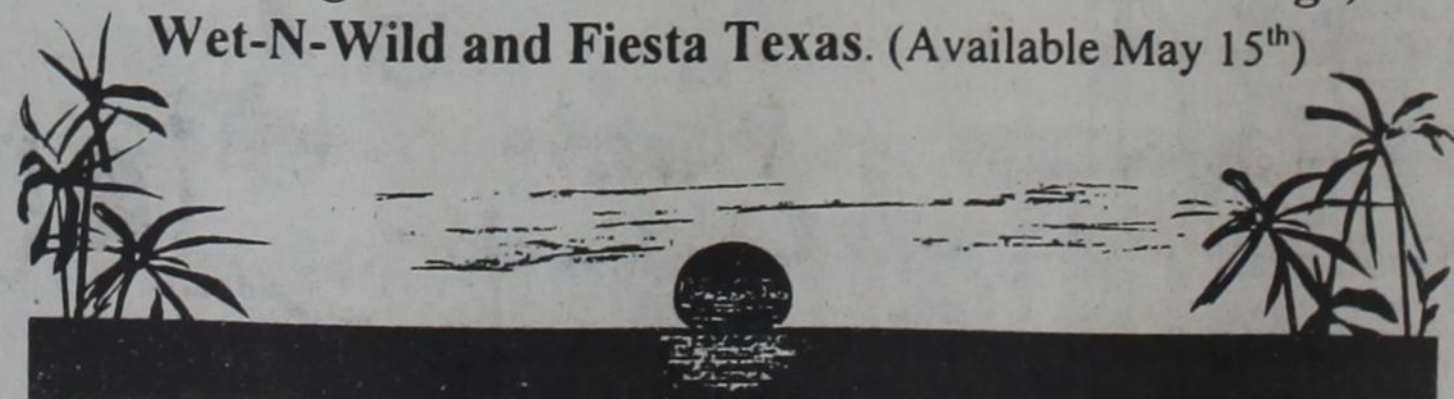
## REVIVAL HIGHWAY 206 BAPTIST MISSION

July 29, 30 & 31  
7:00 p.m.

Rex Boggs - Evangelist  
Ike Whitson - Music Director  
Judy Lewis - Pianist  
Everyone Welcomed!!

## Summertime, Summertime Sun, Sun, Summertime!!

Check out our BanClub Account for summer specials, including discounted tickets available for Six Flags, Wet-N-Wild and Fiesta Texas. (Available May 15<sup>th</sup>)



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# NEWS

By  
**LINDA EDINGTON**  
Activity Director

Everyone was surprised and happy to see Bob Wallace walk in last week to do our singing. We are glad he is feeling better now.

The residents will be having their birthday party tonight at 7:00 p.m. Those with birthdays are Leila Montgomery and Julia Hedrick. Family and friends are invited to attend. Employees with birthdays are Linda Edington, Julia Ferbrache, Kay Bell, and Joyce Cottrell.

Our appreciation to Joan McCowen for the ice cream, to Pete Golsen for the candy and to Ruby Cassle for the cookies.

Anabel Vaught had an enjoyable surprise visit from her great-granddaughter, Sarah Adams, from Nederland.

Mona Wilson from Abilene, Ruby and Naomi McCowen visited with Gerie Powell, Myrtle Wilson and Allie Dickson.

Cindy and Alycon from Ash Grove, Missouri visited with Nettie Roady.

Leo and Jewel Thompson visited with Sylvia Smith.

Bonnie Alexander from Sweetwater visited with Julia Hedrick. Also

Linda Yarbrough from Nolan.

Kathryn Tomlinson and Margaret Jordan from Comanche visited Troy Tomlinson.

Betty Edwards was here visiting everyone.

Kenneth and Nancy Felton from Weatherford visited Juanita Thornton.

Betty Montgomery and Ruth Bush from Midland visited with Earl and Leila Montgomery.

Activities during the week were:

**Monday:** Bingo winners were Dorothy Thomas (2), Midge McCall (2), Gerie Powell (2), Vera Belyeu and Sylvia Smith. Exercise class.

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

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

**Thursday:** Bingo winners were Minnie Swann (4), Dorothy Thomas (2), Gerie Powell (2), Allie Dickson (2), and Mildred Ford. Music with Colleen Anderson.

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

**Sunday:** Cottonwood Baptist

**Faith makes the impossible possible.**



**GARDEN CLUB RECEIVES DISTRICT AND STATE AWARD FOR CLUB PROGRAM**—The Cross Plains Garden Club has been awarded first place in District VIII and State for the Club Program Essay prepared and submitted by Rolan Jones (right) and

Esther Kerr (left). This Essay was entitled "EXOTIC LIVESTOCK," the subject being RATITES that include Emu, Rhea and Ostrich, and outlined their origin, popularity and habitat. Ratites are known as a "Different Kind of Bird" and are flightless.

## Garden Tip Of The Month

By ROLAN JONES

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July and August are the hottest and driest months of the year and the time when all plants need special attention.

Your trees, flowering shrubs, lawn, and vegetables need a good soaking to a depth of 6 inches at least once a week.

Roots close to the soil surface can be killed by broiling 100+ degree temperatures, unless kept moist and protected by mulch. Mulch deeply around your tomato, pepper, eggplant, and all plants which will be in the garden for the duration of the summer.

When daytime temperatures rise above 92 degrees Fahrenheit and nighttime temperatures are higher than 75 degrees Fahrenheit, most tomato varieties will not set fruit until the temperatures moderate.

The middle of July is the time to begin planting your fall garden of tomatoes, peas, beans, winter and summer squash, peppers, pole beans, cucumbers, etc. August is the time to plant your fall Irish potato crop, set out transplants of broccoli, cabbage, cauliflower, brussel sprouts. Temporary shading for small transplants

may be necessary if temperatures remain high.

From July thru September is the time to fertilize your warm season lawn grasses. Keep your mower blades sharp and do not remove more than 1/3 of the top of the grass blades to prevent sunburn and drought stress on the grass roots.

Keep building and adding to compost piles and put shallow containers of water in shady spots in the garden to attract frogs, toads, lizards, and birds for insect control.

The summer issue of "Texas Gardener" states that one reason Irises die in the summer is from Overwatering. Irises go dormant in June and overwatering encourages bacterial growth which causes soft rot and kills the rhizome.

We are all looking for environmentally safe method of controlling insects. Billie Kelly, our local mail carrier, has told me of an interesting way to control squash bugs. Billie says to put shavings from a citronella candle under young plants and it will repel squash bugs.

Billie also said that she heard that putting corn meal in mole runs would repel moles. If you try this, let us know if it works.

## Quips, Clips & Comments

By KAY DENNIS MOSLEY

Which herbs are good for what -- medically speaking?

That's a good question! I have taken the following answers to that question from personal experience, plus a few leaflets, books, magazine articles, word of mouth, etc., etc.

Remember, before you use herbs in any way, if you are not familiar with herbs can do for your health; to check with a doctor or professional (herbalist) for advice. This warning is if you are going to use herbs for medicine. Herbs are fine to cook with, season with etc. when used in moderation!

**Alfalfa** - Alfalfa sprouts may be used in pocket sandwiches instead of lettuce. It is a good source of carotene (Vitamin A). It is useful in reducing fevers. Alfalfa is very beneficial to the blood, acting as a blood purifier. IT contains natural fluoride, preventing tooth decay and helps in rebuilding decayed teeth. You can make a tea from it to drink; if you wish to consume it in this way.

**Aloe** - Aloe may be purchased in capsules which work wonderfully in cleaning out the colon. It is a good laxative. Aloe works well on any kind of sore on the exterior (outside) of the body. It is also an excellent remedy for hemorrhoids.

**Basil** - Basil is of course a splendid spice. When made into a tea, it's an excellent remedy to stop vomiting.

**Bay Leaf** - When used in a tea, bay leaf gives tone and strength to the digestive organs. It's great when used as a spice in soups, stews, spaghetti or marinara sauce etc.

**Burdock Leaf and Root** - Good for removing toxins from the body. A

strong blood purifier and cleanser. A good herb for severe skin problems. Also good for advanced cases of arthritis.

**Catnip** - Benefits our body best by quieting our nervous system. It's good for the digestive system; helps to clean out mucus in the body. It's good for gas or stomach cramps. Catnip may also be used as a tea.

**Celery Leaf and Seed** - Good for incontinence of urine. It is also good when used for rheumatism and also nervousness.

**Chamomile flower** - Is one of the herbs used as both a beverage and for medicinal purposes. It has a very pleasing taste and is excellent for a nervous stomach. For women, chamomile has been found to relieve cramping associated with the menstrual cycle.

**Coltsfoot herb and flower** - Coltsfoot is very soothing to the mucus membranes and improves lung troubles. Excellent in relieving the chest of phlegm. Useful for asthma, bronchitis, and for spasmodic coughs.

We have just harvested some of the herbs from our garden, dried them in the dehydrator, chopped them in the food processor and stored them in small labeled storage bottles and jars for future use! I'm going to share them with my niece and my sister who saved spice bottles to hold theirs. We've put up sage, oregano, marjoram, spearmint, dill, basil, thyme, parsley, two varieties of chives, rosemary, peppermint and cilantro. We also have garlic, horseradish, fennel, and catnip but we have not harvested them yet.

--Later "C" "U"--

## GREETINGS FROM YOUR SENIOR CITIZENS

By THELMA LONG

Fay Jackson has been missing all week. She is visiting her sister in the big city of Dallas.

Mary Bates took O.B. and Pauline Switzer to Brownwood for O.B.'s eye checkup.

Roger Watson missed a few days. He had eye surgery in Abilene. His son Billy and Carol came to be with him. Our good samaritan Lois Garrett took him for his physical exam and back for a checkup on his eyes. Lois does a lot of good deeds.

My Bud and Ruth from Abilene came on Wednesday and took me to the Dairy Queen to eat.

I enjoyed having Mary Bates, Helen Freeman and Maurine McCuin in my home last Friday for games. Some of our players were still out celebrating the 4th of July.

Lucille Callaway spent some time at the lake. Fay Jackson was at a family reunion and Elva Woody had company.

Eula Webb has not been feeling well the last two weeks.

We had representatives from Senior Friends and Union Bankers In-

urance Co. in Abilene. They gave us some information on Health Care and Supplement Insurance.

John and Neta Adams was here on Friday. He was busy at the pool table and she was busy helping Alva serve the food. In fact every one worked. Thanks to all.

Vicky left at noon on Thursday for San Angelo. She spent all day Friday at a senior citizen meeting. We missed her, but Delores Garrett and her friend did a good job filling in for Vicky.

Chuck and Elva Woody both had cataract surgery in Abilene.

Hub Freeman was taken by ambulance to the outpatient clinic in Brownwood. He is back at Colonial Oaks. He is having a rough time and so is Helen. Helen is scheduled to see the eye specialist from Austin in Abilene on Wednesday. Keep Hub and Helen in your prayers.

Our little bit of rain was nice and appreciated.

It is smart to let buried evil rest and rest and rest! Do not disturb it.

## COTTONWOOD NEWS

By BEVERLY BROWN

The Cottonwood Musical is Friday, July 19, at the Cottonwood Community Center with Smokey Callaway, emcee. Homemade ice cream will be the speciality this month plus sandwiches, pies or cakes, on sale in the cafeteria. Area musicians are welcomed to participate on the evenings country western program.

Rain shower total amounts reported in the community since Thursday evening through Sunday were 3/4 inches to 1 1/2 inches at the John Purvis place. Early Monday morning light showers were in the area.

Mrs. Brian (Thresah) Moore and infant son, Brian Charles II of Barbers Point, Hawaii arrived at Abilene Regional Airport on Friday where they were met by her mother, Ms. Barbara Albrecht and Andrew. On Saturday, Mrs. Alton (Charlotte) Haston, Cole, Landon, Matthew and Laci of Jacksboro were here to visit her family. A barbecue diner was held at the home their sister, Mr. and Mrs. Lee Creamer, Forrest, Nathan and Victoria for the family gathering Saturday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Craig Rogers, Sr.,

Craig, Jr., Charlie and Carrie Beth of Colmesneil was here visiting from last Wednesday through Friday with her parents and relatives, Mr. and Mrs. Herman Weaver, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Nickerson, Jr., Mary Jo and Willie; Mr. and Mrs. Bill Nickerson, Sr.; Mary E. Weaver and Mr. and Mrs. Bill Kelly and Keith. Charlie is here spending several days with his grandparents.

On Saturday, Mrs. Randall Franke, Amie and Kellie of Clyde, Hillary Gary, great granddaughter of Dale Gary, of Molton and Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Brown visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Nickerson, Sr.

The Cottonwood Quilting Club members are getting their plans and preparations ready for their upcoming "Rehab Night" in August. They will be needing items for their country store plus baked items for the 16th of August. Please contact Mary St. Peter, Dena Nickerson, Isala Stroud or Faye Gillian for further information and time they will be available to receive your donations. Proceeds will benefit the West Texas Rehabilitation Center in Abilene.

## Hutchins Family Reunion Held Recently

The C.W. Hutchins family reunion was held July 6 and 7 at the Multi-Purpose Center in Cross Plains.

Those attending were B.F. and Elsie Hutchins, Tom and Lynette Mitchell, Tony and Sheri Widner, Whitney and Courtney Gale and Beth Arnold.

Tuff and Ferne Hutchins, Jim and Lee Caldern, Jaime and Miguel, David and LaRue Williams, Daren and Shona Bee, C.B. and Claudia Hutchins, Nathan, Nicole and

Vanassa, Alvin and Vondcan Hutchins, Greg Hutchins and Ashlee, Jarrah and Blake, Vondell and Joyce Hutchins, Arden and Lola Strahan, Gerald Foster, Fred and Recie Tatom and Mike, A.B. Foster, Carl and Ileen Smith, Rodney and Rose Smith, Arron and Mathew, Mamic Webb, Tammy Worley, Martha Leveritt, Bevelyn "Bugs" Foster, Jessie and Tom Raben, Tammy, Vicki and Russell Cobb, Jonathan and Camerson.

## Teston Family Reunion Held In July

Cross Plains Community Center was the setting for the 1996 Teston family reunion. The descendants of the late Elgie and Lila Teston gathered for their 16th reunion on Saturday, July 13. Family members from all across California, Texas, and New Mexico enjoyed a weekend of food and fellowship.

A beautiful quilt, pieced and quilted by the three Teston sisters was raffled off and won by Kenneth Lowry of Spring, Jessie Mae Carter of Spur, Oddie Ann Kivlechen, of Abilene, and Lessie Faye Baum of Cross Plains, the three daughters of Mr. and Mrs. Teston were all able to

attend the reunion.

Others attending the reunion included Roy, Connie, Shaun and Traci Carter from San Angelo; S.E. Braly from Spur; Annette Johnson and Howard Randles from Las Cruces, New Mexico; Michael Harris from College Station; Judy Harris from Abilene; Bobby and Jo Ann Braly from Galena Park; David and Jenny Kivlechen of Arlington; Duke and Mary Duplan from Tehachopi, California; Ken and Galye Lowry of Spring; Mary and Chanda Harris, Justin and Jordan of Abilene; and Linda Pringle of Cross Plains.

## Garden Club News

The Cross Plains Garden Club met on Thursday, July 11, at 2:00 p.m. in the Multi-Purpose Center for the purpose of making a change for their regular monthly meeting date which has been the second Friday of each month at 2:00 p.m. Due to unforeseen circumstances, the Garden Club

will now meet the second Thursday of each month beginning October 10, 1996.

The September meeting will be on Friday the 13th at 6:00 p.m. as scheduled and will be a salad supper at the home of Rolan Jones.

## PUBLIC FAX AT THE CROSS PLAINS REVIEW

### Food And Drug Interactions

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## BREAKTHRU

By Bob Pipes, preacher  
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What -- or when -- is "middle-age?" Someone described it this way: "It's that age when a person feels that in a week or two he will feel as good as ever -- but doesn't!" As humorous as that may be, it points out a truth that we may as well accept: As we get older -- as our bodies get older -- our strengths change from one type of strength to another. Solomon, through inspiration of God, said it this way: "The glory of young men is their strength, and the honor of old men is their gray hair," Proverbs 20:29. I understand that to mean that while a young man may pride himself in his physical strength, older men pride themselves in mental strength -- his wisdom and good judgment.

With this in mind, I guess the "middle-aged" is somewhat in between -- weakening a bit in physical strength, yet becoming stronger in wisdom and sound judgment. Perhaps that's a breakthrough for all whose hair is beginning to gray, to know that with that gray-headedness is coming strength which is really to be more desired. Another lesson to learn is that whatever our age, let's act it -- if young, then listen to the older but wiser, and if older and wiser, demonstrate it by showing wisdom and not trying to do all those things once able to do. It's also interesting to note that James wrote: "If any of you lacks wisdom, let him ask of God, who gives to all liberally and without reproach, and it will be given to him," James 1:5. Maybe, young people -- and middle-aged -- we don't have to wait until we're gray for wisdom after all -- if we have faith and ask accordingly, verse 6.

Come gain knowledge and wisdom with us as we grow older in the faith together...

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.

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## News & Views For the 17th District

BY CHARLIE STENHOLM

July 12, 1996

### House Passes Defense of Marriage Act

On Friday, July 12, the House of Representatives considered H.R. 3396, the Defense of Marriage Act. This legislation was introduced earlier this year in order to protect the institution of marriage.

As a cosponsor of this legislation, I am pleased to report that this bill was passed by a vote of 342 to 67.

The Defense of Marriage Act will protect the institution of marriage by establishing a federal definition of "marriage" only as a legal union between one man and one woman as husband and wife. The definition of "spouse" would be defined only as a person of the opposite sex who is a husband or wife.

The passage of this legislation will give states the right to reject the validity of gay marriages recognized by other states. In addition, "married" gay couples would also remain ineligible for federal benefits.

I have consistently opposed legislation which would grant special status to a life-style which I believe is morally wrong and which goes against our society's Biblical and ethical values.

The Senate is expected to consider this bill shortly. The President supports this measure and has indicated he will sign it.

Many, many folks in the 17th District wrote and called to express their strong support for this bill and I very much appreciated their taking the time to do so.

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In Nature there is nothing melancholy.  
—Samuel Taylor Coleridge

### FCIC Approves Crop Revenue Coverage (CRC) for 1997 Wheat Crop

The Federal Crop Insurance Corporation (FCIC) has approved the sale of Crop Revenue Coverage (CRC) to Texas wheat farmers. Texas is one of seven states in which CRC will be available for wheat farmers on a pilot project basis.

Earlier this year, I urged Secretary of Agriculture Dan Glickman and Deputy Administrator for Risk Management Ken Ackerman to approve CRC for 1997 wheat. I am delighted that Texas farmers will have an opportunity to test this innovative risk management tool.

CRC was developed by American Agrisurance in conjunction with farmers, commodity groups and the federal government and provides producers with a guarantee for a specific amount of revenue, thus protecting them against price changes as well as yield losses.

As farmers learn to take more of their profit from the marketplace, they need the security other businesses have long enjoyed with revenue insurance. CRC has the potential to provide such security.

CRC offers farmers a safety net as well as the economic security to obtain agricultural loans and the ability to use progressive marketing strategies such as forward contracting to increase their income.

Because the 1996 farm bill moves domestic producers toward a greater market orientation and reduced federal support, CRC could play a critical role in helping farmers remain profitable under these new circumstances.

Charlie Stenholm represents the 17th District of Texas in the U.S. Congress.



**INFORMATIVE GUEST** — Joe Hanke, retired postmaster and local Kiwanian, had the current postmaster, Norma Evans, as his guest at the past Tuesday meeting. She shared information concerning new services now offered through the local Post Office. The Cross Plains Kiwanis Club meets each Tuesday at noon at the Dairy Queen.

## WTU Begin 'Deliberative Poll' Recruitment

ABILENE -- West Texas Utilities Company (WTU) subsidiary has begun recruiting participants for a "Deliberative Poll" that will involve customers in the company's energy-resource planning process.

About 250 WTU customers from throughout the company's 53,000-square mile service territory are expected to participate in the West Texas Town Meeting on Electricity Issues, the name given to the Deliberative Poll scheduled for August 9-10 at Hardin-Simmons University at Abilene. Recruitment of customers selected as a part of the scientific random sample for the Deliberative Poll began today.

Deliberative polling is a survey process where a scientific sample of customers is brought together in one location for a weekend and given the opportunity to "deliberate" about the various factors associated with a particular issue. WTU will be using the approach in its efforts to develop an integrated resource plan to meet the future electric needs of its customers. WTU plans to use its Deliberative Poll as part of its public participating efforts to involve customers in the development of its resource plan.

WTU's Deliberative Poll will mark the second time that a Central and South West Corporation (CSW) company has used a Deliberative Poll to involve its customers in planning for future energy needs. WTU is a wholly owned subsidiary of CSW. Central Power and Light Company, another Central and South West subsidiary, was the first company to use a Deliberative Poll during the weekend of May 31-June 2. Southwestern Electric Power Company (SWEPCO) has scheduled a deliberative poll for August 23-25.

Professor James Fishkin, chairman

of the Government Department at the University of Texas at Austin, developed the concept of the Deliberative Poll as an approach for determining informed public opinion. The method is explained in his new book, "The Voice of People," published by Yale University Press. The approach received national attention when it was used during the National Issues Convention, which was held in Austin in January 1996.

Ordinary polls, surveys and focus groups examine what the public is thinking about certain issues at a particular time. A Deliberative Poll attempts to determine what the public would think about different issues if given an opportunity to learn more about all sides of those issues.

Advocates and opponents of competing resource options, such as natural gas generation and wind generation, are involved in developing briefing materials for participants and will serve as panelists during WTU's town meeting. The town meeting format will alternate between large-group settings involving the entire group and small groups of 15-20 people.

Participants will be surveyed about their views on electricity issues at the time of recruitment and then once again at the conclusion of the meeting to determine whether their opinions have changed and to what extent. Through this process, participants will be asked to make value judgments about the options associated with different resource choices.

WTU will consider and evaluate all of the information learned from its customers when developing the company's integrated resource plan. The company is scheduled to submit its integrated resource plan to the Public Utility Commission of Texas this fall.

## Board Of Trustees To Meet Tonight

The Board of Trustees of the Cross Plains Independent School District will hold their regular meeting tonight at 8:00 p.m. in the faculty work room at the high school.

The following agenda will be discussed.

- PRAYER & MINUTES  
1. OPEN FORUM  
2. REPORT FROM TAX-ASSESSOR  
3. STUDENT CODE OF CONDUCT/DISCIPLINE MANAGEMENT PLAN  
A. 9 WEEK GRADING PERIOD  
B. SEMI-OPEN/CLOSED CAMPUS  
4. REPORT ON 95/96 TAAS RESULTS  
5. WORKER'S COMPENSATION & UNEMPLOYMENT  
6. DISCUSS/TAKE ACTION ON TASB NOMINEE

7. DISCUSS/TAKE ACTION ON COMANCHE SPECIAL SERVICES CO-OP SHARED SERVICES AGREEMENT

8. DISCUSS/TAKE ACTION ON INVESTMENT POLICY  
9. DISCUSS/TAKE ACTION ON NATIONAL SCHOOL LUNCH AND CHILD NUTRITION PROGRAM  
10. 96-97 LUNCHROOM PRICES  
11. PERSONNEL

A. RESIGNATION  
B. ACTION ON NEW EMPLOYEES  
C. RAISING MINIMUM WAGE FOR HOURLY EMPLOYEES  
12. DISCUSS/TAKE ACTION ON TRACTOR  
13. DISCUSS AND PAY BILLS  
14. ADJOURN  
Jackie Tennison, Superintendent

## PERSONALS

Blain and Louise Belw and their two children, Stephanie and Carl, of Charlottesville, Virginia visited with Hubert and Celia Belw for eight days before returning home on July 5. The children wanted to stay and live in Cross Plains.

Blain is employed by the Virginia Department of Forestry and was in

Waco and Abilene last March when Virginia sent a crew to help fight the grass fires.

Hubert and Celia enjoyed the visit of Hubert's nephew and family. This was the first trip to Texas for the rest of Blain's family and they stated that they would be back next summer.

## Children's Miracle Network Will Benefit From Abilene Prairie Dogs Game

Abilene Prairie Dogs will continue their support for Children's Miracle Network at Hendrick Medical Center by playing against the Amarillo Dillas at Crutcher Scott Field August 1, 1996.

A portion of the proceeds from the game will benefit Meck Children's Hospital and other children's services at Hendrick Medical Center through CMN.

At the game, there will be activities for all ages. The first 1,200 spectators, 15 years-old and older, will each receive a free baseball.

Three local businessmen will compete to collect the most donations in a CMN Manager-of-the-Night contest. The man who collects the most money will be honored as Manager-of-the-Night and go on the field with the Prairie Dogs.

This year's participants for Man-

ager-of-the-Night are Jerry Teel, director of plant operations at HMC; Randall Bingaman, general manager for Frontier Motors; and Josh Ammons, manager and trustee for Maurita G. Ammons Trust.

A children's carnival will be conducted during the game with special activities for kids -- such as face painting, dart throwing, a hole-in-one putting and basketball shoot-out. Carnival tickets are 25 cents each.

Game starts at 7:05 p.m., and tickets are \$5 each and can be purchased at the following locations now:

- Jeffory's Village Peddler in Chimney Plaza, S. 27th Street
- First Abilene Federal Credit Union, Hickory and N. 18th
- Sam's Wholesale Club, 5301 S. 1st Street
- West Texas Utilities, 301 Cypress Street

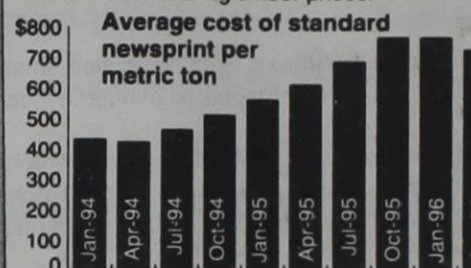
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Cassie is named after her great-great-grandmother Cassie Elizabeth Woodard Stiles and her grandmothers Elizabeth (Beth) Meador and Marcy Bowles of Dallas.

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## Gourmet Coffee Craze Brews From Colleyville To Cross Cut

By KAREN AUGE  
Fort Worth Star-Telegram

COLLEYVILLE — There will be clements of Cross Cut, Texas, in the Crosscut Coffee house.

But it's a safe bet there is nothing like the Crosscut Coffee house in Cross Cut, Texas.

After years knocking around the country living in Houston, Seattle, and El Paso at the behest of his former employer, Shell Oil Co., Brent Baty and his wife, Rachel, recently settled in Cross Cut, a remote little town southwest of Fort Worth.

There, he brewed a plan to realize a longtime goal — opening a gourmet coffeehouse.

Cross Cut "used to be a big little town back in the '20s, during the oil boom," Baty said. "Now it's just 10 houses. We have a little farmhouse out there and that's the inspiration of Crosscut Coffee," he said.

Having gained the inspiration, Baty, is working on the perspiration end. If all goes according to plan, Colleyville's newest gourmet coffee emporium will be jump-starting espresso lovers in a couple of weeks, he said.

Crosscut Coffee may well be Northeast Tarrant's only java joint with its own on-site roaster, Baty said. It definitely will be the only one to boast historic remnants of a shrinking little Texas town, including memorabilia from Cross Cut's old high school, Baty said.

The shop will be at 5005 Colleyville Blvd. On the menu along with the usual latte, espresso, machiato espresso, and cappuccino selections will be bagels, pastries, and confections from neighboring business, Laura's New York Cheesecake.

Baty said he and his wife have relatives in the Fort Worth area, so agreeing on this general area as home for their business and the family was easy.

Finding a specific location took a little more research.

"We covered every square inch of Tarrant County and the Mid Cities and eventually we stumbled on Colleyville," he said. "It seemed like a nice, well-kept area, a nice place to raise Brennan," Baty said, referring to his 3-year-old son.

"And," he said, "the demographics here knock your socks off."

Baty cut his coffee teeth in Seattle, the java mecca where Shell Oil transferred him in 1988. The gourmet coffee rage was just beginning to percolate, and Baty was caught up in it.

But it wasn't until September that he left Shell and officially traded black gold for what he hopes will be another form of black gold.

Of course, Baty's territory of choice has been mined before.

In the past decade, new espresso bars and coffeehouses seem to pop up faster than you can say "make mine decaf."

Even dyed-in-the-wool Texans who once thought coffee came in two varieties — black and blacker — have embraced dainty little cups of frothy brew and learned to pronounce latte.

The gourmet coffee craze has burgeoned so much that some in the industry fear the trend has peaked.

But the Specialty Coffee Association of America doesn't think so. The Long Beach, California-based organization figures there is room in America's cup for hundreds more coffeehouses. The association projects that there will be 10,000 coffee cafes by 1999 — compared with 200 in 1989.

Baty doesn't think coffee is on the downhill slide, either. He is confident that coffee drinkers are loyal to their brew. "Coffee is the No. 1 consumed beverage in the world — maybe second to water. People have always drunk coffee," he said.

And, because his selections will be freshly roasted, imported beans from around the world, Baty sees no reason people shouldn't start drinking his coffee.

## Stenholm Cosponsors Bill To Increase Texas' Share Of Highway Funding

WASHINGTON, D.C. — Congressman Charles Stenholm was one of several legislators who today introduced the "ISTEA Integrity Restoration Act," bipartisan legislation which will enable Texas and other states to receive a greater portion of the federal gasoline excise tax revenues than they are currently receiving.

"Texas currently receives only 81 cents out of each dollar paid in federal excise taxes on gasoline," said Stenholm. "The legislation we have introduced today will guarantee that Texas and other 'donor' states receive a 95 percent return on what they pay to the Federal Highway Trust Fund."

The ISTEA Integrity Restoration Act has four main objectives:

- 1) Fund the National Highway System (NHS);
- 2) Simplify and modernize today's outdated federal highway program;
- 3) Update the federal funding distribution formulas; and
- 4) Balance the amount of federal gasoline excise taxes collected with those returned to the states.

"In addition to returning a higher share of tax revenues to Texas, this legislation would give states new flexibility in determining how to target funding for priority projects," noted Stenholm. "Under current law, Washington decides how states can spend federal highway dollars and, quite frankly, these are decisions which are better left for Texans to make."

The Texas Department of Transportation estimates that passage of this legislation would bring approximately \$165 million more to Texas in highway funding.



**AT GOP CONVENTION**—Callahan County was recently represented at the state Republican convention held in San Antonio, June 20-22 by seven local delegates. They were David Holes, Lisa Compton, Linda Piel, Frank and Pat Chrane and Paul and

Theresa Jaworski. The delegates were treated to three days of speeches by state and national Republicans and on Friday they enjoyed a lunch hosted by Governor George W. Bush. On Saturday, Lisa Compton was elected to represent the 17th Congressional

District as an alternate at the national Republican convention to be held in San Diego, California, August 12-15. Shown are from left: Linda Piel, Lisa Compton, Pat and Frank Chrane and Theresa and Paul Jaworski.

## Applications Are Being Accepted For Leadership Program

The Texas Rural Leadership program will be conducted for the first time in Eastland and Callahan Counties beginning this fall. Applications from interested individuals are now being accepted.

"I'm very excited about the program because it will be an opportunity for participants in both counties to develop leadership skills and work together to promote regional awareness and development in this area," said Janet Thomas, Eastland county extension agent.

Midwest Texas Leadership is the name for the local program. Sponsors of the program and their representatives attending the planning committee meeting include: the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, Janet Thomas and Davey Vestal of Eastland, West Texas Utilities Company, Charles Wetsel of Cisco, Dennis Stegemoeller of Baird, Charlie Palmer of Clyde, Sylvia Knezek and Linda Caton of Abilene, and the Texas Midwest Community Network, Nicki Harle of Baird.

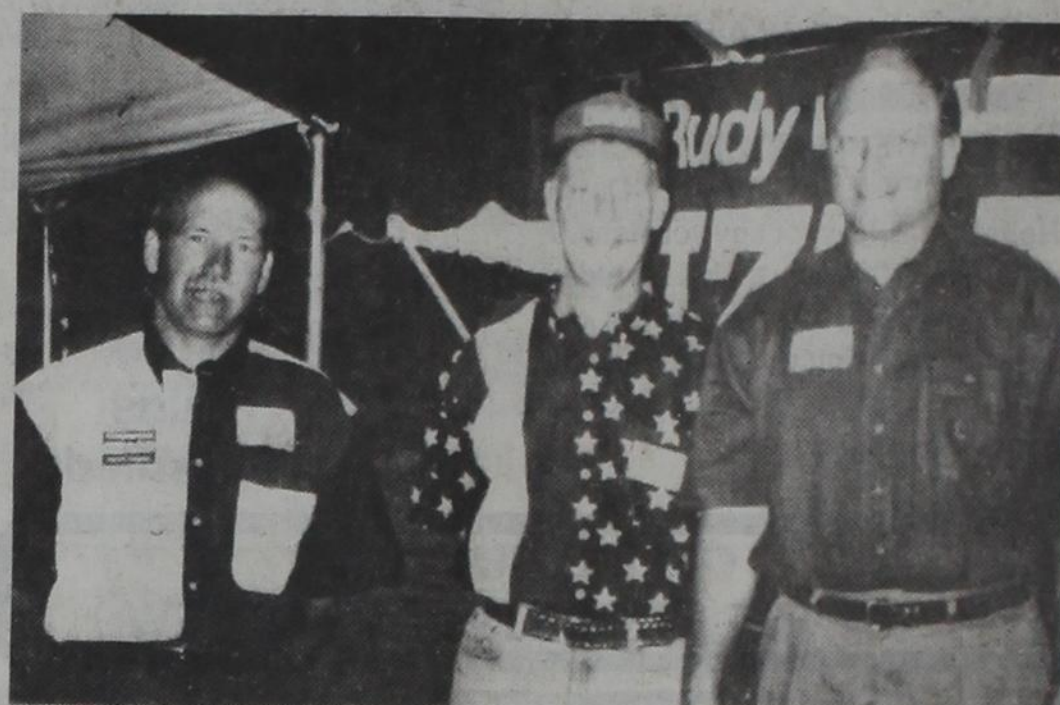
The purpose of the rural leadership program is to create and deliver an exciting, effective leadership development program for rural Texas. The program is committed to providing small communities in Texas with the working tools for community revitalization with the ultimate goal of developing strategic plans for economic development.

The first class session will begin in September with the C.O.P.E. Challenge Course at Camp Tonkawa near Abilene where participants will learn trust-building and get to know each other better.

During following classes, training topics will include communications, data-gathering, conducting effective meetings, motivation, leadership skills, team-building, problem solving, conflict management, strategic planning, alliance building and much more.

Participants will meet once a month in the towns within Eastland and Callahan Counties and tours will be planned to showcase local areas of interest. The leadership training will conclude in May with graduation and a tour of the State Capitol in Austin.

Anyone who aspires to be a leader, or become a more effective leader is encouraged to participate. For more information and to receive an applications, contact your local WTU office, county extension office, or the Texas Midwest Community Network.



**CAMPAIGN STOP**—The race for U.S. Congress recently made a stop in Callahan County. The event hosted by Mike and Sandy Hanner was held under the big tent just down from Hanner Chevrolet in Baird. Approximately 70 people turned out for barbecue and a chance to see and hear three Republican candidates from left: Paul

Jaworski, candidate for county sheriff; Jim Keffer, candidate for state representative and Rudy Izzard, candidate for U.S. Congress. The Callahan County Republican Party is holding its second election year Ice Cream Social on Friday, July 19 at the Clyde Lions Club. The public is invited to attend.

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## Water Conservation Is Beauty Of Xeriscaping

Setting out flowers and other flora in the heat of summer is not such a hot idea, but you can use a Xeriscaping technique any time of year to prepare your yard for planting -- and save water. No matter what the season or where you live, reducing the turf area of your lawn can drastically cut your outdoor watering needs.

"The summer is a good time to plan for fall and spring planting," said Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission compost specialist Bill Carter. "By reducing the turf area of your lawn in the summer, you can cut back on watering almost immediately -- which is especially important with the drought -- and make way for native plants and mulches that are just as attractive as a thick, lush lawn."

It's estimated that half the water used by homeowners goes to the landscape. By implementing the following Xeriscaping technique, you can drastically reduce your outdoor watering needs and, once you're finished, spend more time enjoying the beauty of your lawn and less time mowing.

1. Scalp the area you want to Xeriscape by going over it with your mower on the lowest blade setting. Lop off what's left of the grass blades with a string edger. Throw the clippings into your compost pile.
2. Cover the scalped area with a layer of mature compost and another layer of manure.
3. Grab a stack of newspapers from your recycling bin and spread a layer about 15 pages thick onto the manure. This kills most grasses. Some hardy grasses like Bermuda have to rooted out. They can survive until the paper decomposes and grow through 8 or more inches of mulch.
4. Spread a healthy layer of mulch

onto the newspaper. Avoid walking on it and puncturing the newspaper layer.

5. Relax for a month or so until the time is right to set out your plants. If you're not interested in planting, you can leave the area covered with mulch year-round.

6. When you're ready to plant in the fall or spring, pin-point the spots where you want your plants to go and scrape back the mulch to the newspaper layer. Be sure to select low water-demand plants. Native or adapted plants generally do better than those brought in from other areas. Most Texas nurseries can help you select plants native to your area.

7. Slice an "X" into the newspaper, dig an appropriately sized hole, and add water and the plant.

8. Return the soil to the plant base and add more water. For larger plants, shrubs, and trees:

\*Mix the soil you removed with half that amount of compost. Use the mixture to fill in around the plant's roots or root ball. Dig any of the leftover mixture into the top 2 inches of soil surrounding the plant and add more water. To facilitate root growth, be sure to loosen the soil as far as the plant's "drip line" (the outer reach of its branches) and as deep as the plant's hole.

\*Replace the newspaper and mulch cover and add a raised ring of mulch that peaks just outside the drip line. Do not pile mulch against the plant's trunk or stem.

9. Water periodically according to your plants' needs. Whatever goes in the ground, you won't be watering near as much as you would a thirsty turf grass.

10. Enjoy lower water bills, less mowing, and a beautifully Xeriscaped yard.



### EMPLOYEE OF THE YEAR—

Ray Ramos is congratulated by his wife Elida following his selection as 1996 Employee of the Year for the Texas Department of Transportation's Abilene area. The area include Taylor and Callahan

counties. Ramos is a maintenance technician IV in the Callahan county maintenance section. He has been employed with TxDOT for 18 years. (TxDOT photo by Mary Beth Kilgore)

## Ramos Named TxDOT Employee Of The Year

ABILENE—Reynoldo S. "Ray" Ramos has been named the Abilene area's 1996 employee of the year. The Abilene area, one of four areas in the Abilene district of the Texas Department of Transportation, consists of Callahan and Taylor counties.

Ramos, a maintenance technician IV in TxDOT's Callahan county roadway maintenance section, has been a department employee for 18 years. His present duties include herbicide operator, heavy equipment operator, handling the stock and office responsibilities.

A native of Clyde, Ramos began his TxDOT career in April 1978 in Baird as a roadway maintenance technician I. Prior to that, he worked at the Abilene State School.

To be eligible for the employee of the year award, Ramos had to be first recognized as an employee of the quarter. Then, employees of the quarter from both Callahan and Taylor maintenance sections competed for the honor.

Ramos was presented a plaque and a jacket by Abilene Area Engineer Blair Haynie and Callahan County Maintenance Section Supervisor Marvin Rogers during ceremonies held in Abilene.

In his remarks following the announcement, Rogers, Ramos' supervisor, said, "Ray has become an asset to the department during these past

18 years. He has been a great help to the section as well as lending morale support to new hires and employees with less experience as they become acquainted with their new responsibilities."

The recognition was definitely a surprise for the mild-mannered and quiet employee, a TxDOT official said following the announcement. But not to those who know him.

"Ramos has gained the respect from his peers and fellow workers and has the leadership qualities that all employees would appreciate," Rogers continued.

Ramos, a 1971 graduate of Clyde High School, is married to the former Elida Rodriguez of Baird. They have one daughter, Michelle Lisa "Missy." Elida is employed with the Baird Independent School District and Missy is currently attending Cisco Junior College.

An avid sports fan, Ramos says he enjoys watching ESPN or whatever channel any type of sport is on. "I keep up with all phases of sports by reading, attending, watching or participating," he said. When asked who his favorite team is, Ramos said jokingly, "The Dallas Cowboy Cheerleaders!"

Ramos collects *Texas High School Football* magazines as a hobby. He has every copy of that magazine from 1965 to the present.



ABOARD THE USS INCHON—SN John Pointer II, 1993 graduate of Cross Plains, now a member of the U.S. Navy, pictured aboard USS INCHON. (Photo courtesy of PH1 (AW) Alexander C. Hicks, U.S. Navy Photographer).

## Local Sailor Drops Anchor In Texas For First Time

Join the Navy and see the world! Cross Plains native, SN John Pointer II, will be one of the lucky few in the U.S. Navy to see the world, and be stationed in his home state. Pointer II is a crewmember of the USS INCHON, a mine countermeasures command, control and support ship that will soon be homeported at Ingleside. The 620-foot long, 18,340-ton ship will arrive in Ingleside in July, and serve as a "floating port" for the Navy's mine countermeasure and coastal minehunter ships.

Pointer II, graduated from Cross Plains in 1993, and joined the Navy in November 1993. Pointer II is an E-3 in the U.S. Navy, and currently serves on the INCHON as a Seaman. With a crew of 650, INCHON will be the largest Navy ship homeported in Texas. Formerly a helicopter carrier, INCHON recently went through a 15-month conversion and overhaul.

As part of the overhaul, the ship has incorporated living spaces for 80 female Sailors as part of the Navy's expanding "Women at Sea" program.

USS INCHON was named in honor of the highly successful amphibious landing at Inchon, Korea on September 15, 1950, led by General Douglas MacArthur. SN Pointer II has the unique opportunity to serve on the only MCS class ship in the Navy. INCHON's distinct mission and capabilities will make her an integral part of the Navy's mine countermeasure operations. "What has happened in this ship's conversion represents a revolutionary change," said Rear Admiral John D. Pearson, USN, Commander, Mine Warfare Command.

INCHON's crew and their families will settle in the Corpus Christi area. Pointer II is one of 68 native Texans onboard INCHON.

## What You Can Do About Misleading Social Security Ads

Because Social Security touches the lives of everyone, directly or indirectly, it has generated a number of scams from those who recognize that many people simply are not aware of their rights and responsibilities under the program. They become prime targets for those who pitch convenience and economic security to sell them services they can obtain free from Social Security.

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The Social Security Administration responds to consumer complaints and inquiries from Congress about mail received by members of the public that appears to be misleading advertising. If it finds that such mailings violate the Social Security Act, the

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 All donations for the American Cancer Society Memorial and Honor Program should be sent to Cubelle L. Harris, 300 W. 9th, Baird, Tx. 79504-3419.

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## Tidwell elected president of TPA

Jerry Tidwell, publisher of the *Hood County News*, Granbury, was elected president of the Texas Press Association during the group's 117th annual summer convention in Galveston, June 20-22.

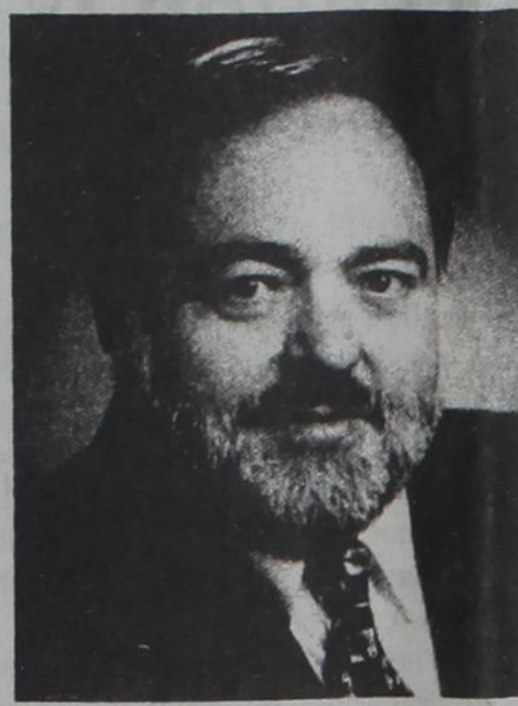
He succeeds Sarah L. Groene, publisher of *The Gilmer Mirror*, who becomes chairman of the association's board of directors.

The Texas Press Association, founded in 1880, includes 515 daily, weekly and semiweekly newspapers.

Tidwell, 50, has served as a director, treasurer and vice president of the Texas Press Association. He is a past president of the North & East Texas Press Association and is a recipient of that association's coveted Sam Holloway Award honoring publishers for outstanding contributions to their communities and to journalism.

He is a former president of the Lake Granbury Chamber of Commerce, the Chamber of Commerce Ambassadors and the Granbury Kiwanis Club. He is a member of Acton United Methodist Church.

Tidwell graduated from Andrews High School in 1963, along with fellow Texas newspaper publishers Roy



Jerry Tidwell

McQueen of the *Snyder Daily News* and Larry Crabtree, publisher of the *Vernon Daily Record*. McQueen served as president of Texas Press Association in 1989-90, as did Crabtree, in 1992-93.

Tidwell majored in management and graduated from Texas Christian University in 1967 with a bachelor's degree in business administration. After graduation, he worked for four years as an industrial engineer at Ling

Tempco Vaught in Fort Worth.

He began his newspaper career in 1970 as advertising manager of the *Andrews County News*, under the guidance of publisher James Roberts.

He transferred to the *Seminole Sentinel*, where he was advertising manager for three years. In 1976 he was named publisher of the *Lamb County News* in Littlefield, and in 1979 became publisher of the *Hood County News*.

Founded in 1886, the *Hood County News* is the oldest business in Hood County. The newspaper once was owned by A.W. Crockett, grandson of Alamo hero Davy Crockett.

The *Hood County News* also holds the distinction of being Texas' largest rural semiweekly newspaper with a paid circulation of 9,714. It is a consistent award winner in better newspaper contests.

Tidwell married his high school sweetheart, Vana, in 1966. They have two children: Jamie, 28, a certified public accountant at Cook's Children's Hospital in Fort Worth, and Derek, 25, who works at the *Hood County News* in the camera and platemaking department.



GUEST SPEAKER — Tom Ivey (left), Veteran Service Officer for Callahan County, was guest speaker at the weekly Kiwanis meeting July 16. Tommie Harris (right), program chairman, introduced Mr. Ivey.

### Want To Write Your Elected Officials?

Here are their addresses:

#### Austin

George Bush, Jr., Governor, Room 200, State Capitol, Austin, TX. 78711.

Bill Sims, State Senator, District 25, P.O. Box 12068, Austin, TX. 78711.

John Cook, State Representative, District 60, P.O. Box 2910, Austin, TX. 78768-2910.

#### Washington

Bill Clinton, President of the United States, The White House, Washington, D.C. 20000.

Charles Stenholm, Congressman, 17th Texas District, 1226 Longworth Office Building, Washington, D.C. 20515.

Phil Gramm, U.S. Senator, Room 370, Russell Building, Washington, D.C. 20510-4302.

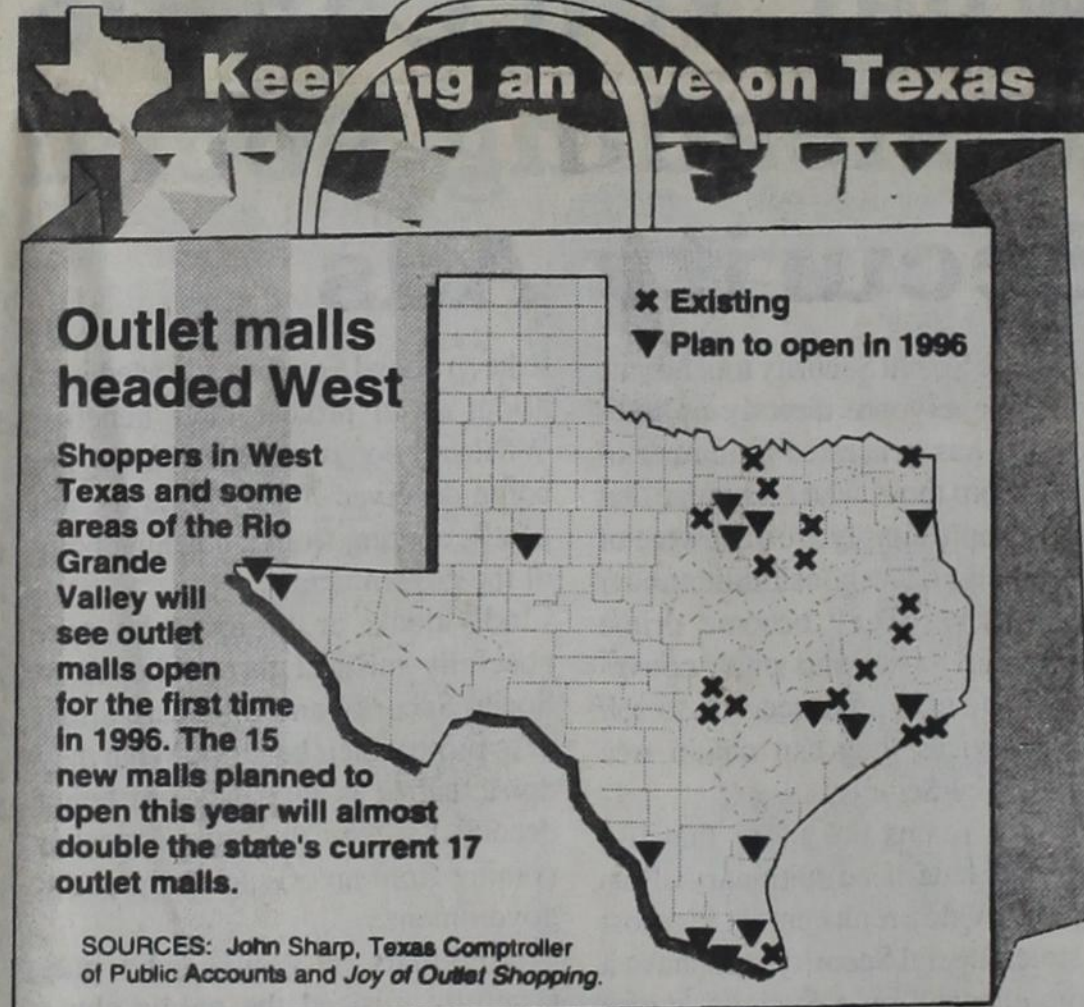
Kay Bailey Hutchison, U.S. Senator, Room 703, Hart Building, Washington, D.C. 20510-4301.

## Keeping an eye on Texas

### Outlet malls headed West

Shoppers in West Texas and some areas of the Rio Grande Valley will see outlet malls open for the first time in 1996. The 15 new malls planned to open this year will almost double the state's current 17 outlet malls.

SOURCES: John Sharp, Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts and Joy of Outlet Shopping.



**JULY 19**  
 Mrs. Harold Oliver  
 Done Wise  
 David Hinkle  
 Don McNutt  
 Cynthia Hickman Brown  
 Son Barnett  
 Mrs. Glenda Laster  
 Iraloma Rogers  
 Kim (Draper) Champion  
 Jeannie Roe  
 Mrs. Max Lovett  
 Toni Mae Wyatt  
 Claudell Joy  
 Modie Mosley  
 Gayna Dodds  
 Ricky Apple

**JULY 22**  
 Thomas Markham  
 C. H. Rogers  
 Sarah Catherine Jordan  
 Kathren Brown  
 Lorene Jennings  
 Lillian Long  
 Delesa Gilland  
 Clifford Hill  
 Leslie Cowan  
 Bill Holand  
 Travis Parson  
 Mrs. Kathryn Morris  
 Shelley Kay Hines  
 Annie Mae Wright

**JULY 23**  
 Mrs. Rolan Bryan  
 Elaine Pancake  
 Joshua Goble  
 Bill Hester, Jr.  
 Myrl Willis  
 Clifford Hill  
 Max Hardin  
 Max Theford  
 Ronald Chad Bagley  
 Jacqueline Denise Newman

**JULY 24**  
 J. T. Walker  
 Beverlyn Foster  
 Cheri Gray  
 Mrs. Carroll Gray  
 Matthew Wayne Hutchins  
 Michael James Hutchins  
 Kathy Churchill  
 Sue (Aiken) Strickland  
 Lance Stephens

**JULY 25**  
 Coleman Pillans  
 Debra Green  
 Wendell Smith  
 Traci Dianne Woody  
 Sandra McKeenan  
 Mrs. Ross McGary  
 Billy E. Pope  
 Ronnie Edington  
 Sheri Townson  
 Randy Montgomery  
 Martha Duncan  
 Roger Thate  
 Carlile Albrecht  
 R. E. Harris  
 Johnny Allen  
 Mrs. Cowan Hutton

## TRIAD

Also the quilt will be on display in Putnam at the Community Center on Friday evening of August 2 and on August 9, at the Grand Ole Oprin in Oplin. Tickets for the drawing also will be available at the Eula Drive Inn in Eula.

A committee was selected to finalize and approve the By-Laws to be adopted for the Salt Council.

Salt Council members attending were Anita Buchanan and Howard Lowe, Baird, Leonard Farmer and Shirley Ivey, Clyde, Claude Rock, Eula and Esther Kerr, Rolan Jones, and Paulette Foster, Cross Plains.

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