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## Down Home

### Report Of Decrease Value Must Be Filed By April 14

The Callahan County Central Appraisal District has available a special form for those property owners in the county who suffered storm damage in the Memorial Day tornado that struck the Cross Plains and Cottonwood areas.

The form, titled **Report of Decreased Value**, is used to report damage that has not been repaired as of January 1, 1995. According to Chief Appraiser Rod Lewallen, the report can be filed by any property owner who may have had damage from any source like fire, etc., but the district is making a special effort to identify and re-evaluate those properties that were hit last May in the storm and have yet to be rebuilt or repaired. The form must be returned to the district no later than April 14th of this year, but the appraisers would appreciate early filing to insure that everyone so desiring can be reviewed in time for their 1995 taxes.

The form is available at the Cross Plains Justice of the Peace office or can be mailed to anyone by calling the appraisal district office at 854-1165 or stopping by their office at 130-A West Fourth in the courthouse annex in Baird.

### Dance Proceeds To Help Clyde Transplant Recipient

Friends and family of Kerry Simpkins of Clyde will put on a benefit dance in Baird with proceeds from the dance going to defray Simpkins' medical expenses associated with a kidney transplant.

The benefit country and western dance will take place from 9:00 p.m. until 1:00 a.m. Saturday, January 28 at the Baird Activity Center. Tickets for the BYOB dance are \$5.00 per person.

Simpkins received his first kidney transplant in April 1992 and his second kidney was transplanted in September 1994 after the first kidney's failure. Both operations took place at Lubbock Methodist Hospital.

Simpkins said doctors believe his own kidneys have failed because of complications with diabetes. He said his first transplanted kidney failed and another had to be transplanted. In both cases, Simpkins said he wasn't told who donated the kidneys, he was only told the donors were not related to him. He did say the first transplanted kidney came from a child, while the second transplanted kidney was from an adult.

He added that after the first transplanted kidney failed, he was put on dialysis for 22 days until a second donated kidney was transplanted.

The Clyde man said doctors told him it is not uncommon to perform two kidney transplants on one person because of the possibility of kidney failure. Simpkins said he's having a lot less trouble with the second transplanted kidney than with the first transplant.

Simpkins is a prison guard at the French Robertson prison unit in Hamby. He's been a prison guard eight years, having been at Palestine and Snyder before coming to the Hamby prison unit.

Simpkins said he's been off work since having his second transplant operation. He said he would go back to the doctor sometime in January to get permission to go back to work.

Although he has medical insurance through his job, Simpkins said he's been out some \$20,000 from the two operations. He said he estimates one kidney transplant to cost anywhere from \$60,000 to \$100,000.

### Lakewood Recreation Center Membership Drive

Lakewood Recreation Center located between Cross Plains and Rising Star on Highway 36 is having a membership drive.

We offer 145 acres with a 9-hole golf course featuring no tee times, quiet, secluded; play at your own pace, with rental carts available.

We also offer a 35 acre lake producing bass, crappies, and catfish.

The Bridge Club meets every Thursday. The Lady's association meets each 3rd Friday of the month. Monthly suppers are held last Tuesday of every month

to visit and fellowship.

The Center has an outside pavilion and indoor club room available for family and business functions.

All of this for no initiation fee and only \$31.88 per month for member and immediate family members residing in the home.

Come join us today at Lakewood Recreation Center or give us a call at 817-643-7792 and ask for Jerry or Millie Owen, course managers.

The drive will end January 31.

### Athletic Boosters To Meet January 12

The Cross Plains Athletic booster club will have a meeting on January 12 at the City Hall at 6:30 p.m. to discuss the

annual Athletic Banquet and the '95 baseball program. All members are encouraged to attend.

### Village Market To Be Recognized By School, Friday, January 20

The Cross Plains I.S.D. will be presenting a plaque to Village Market in

appreciation for all their assistance. Randal Witte, District Manager, Jerry Wood, Manager, and Delores Garrett, volunteer who adds up the receipts, will be present. The public is cordially invited to attend.

### Callahan County 4-H Workday

Callahan County 4-H Shooting Sports will be having a workday on Saturday, January 14th, beginning at 9:00 a.m. at the range. Members, parents, and community volunteers are urged to participate.

If you have any questions concerning workdays or the 4-H Shooting Sports, you may contact our Extension Agent, Greg Germgross or any 4-H Shooting Sports volunteer leader.



**COOKIE DAYS ARE HERE AGAIN!**—If last year's supply of Girl Scout cookies is running low, have no fear...because Girl Scout cookie days are here again! Your neighborhood Girl Scouts will soon be at your door bringing you all those great-tasting Girl Scout

## Project Pride Membership Dinner Tuesday, January 17

The public is cordially invited to join Project Pride for their annual membership dinner on Tuesday, January 17, at 6:30 p.m. at the Cross Plains Community Center, 9th and Beech Streets.

A limited number of tickets are still available at \$7.00 each for "all you can eat" catfish and/or chicken with all the trimmings. These may be purchased at Greenwood Insurance or Citizens State Bank or you may call Margaret McNeel at 817-725-6100 between 9:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. or 817-725-6498 after 5:00 p.m.

Guest speaker for this year's event will be Jim McCurdy of Abilene's K-TAB TV

Station. Mr. McCurdy is a familiar personality in most homes in this area and is a widely recognized speaker. Project Pride is delighted to sponsor him coming to Cross Plains in person.

Membership in the Project Pride organization is open to all persons who are interested in making Cross Plains a cleaner, more attractive place to live and preserving and documenting the history of the community. Annual dues are \$3.00 per person or \$5.00 per couple. Project Pride is nonprofit and all funds generated by the organization are used for local projects.

## Gifted/Talented Parent Orientation Slated January 19

On January 19, Cross Plains Elementary School will host two parents orientations for anyone interested in learning more about the district's elementary Gifted/Talented program. Program topics will cover items such as identification and placement, program goals and objectives, and question and answer ses-

sions. An orientation for the K-2 Talent Pool program will be held at 6:00 p.m. Orientation for the 3-6 Pull-out Program will be held at 7:00 p.m. Both sessions will be held in the elementary library. Interested parents and community members are invited to come.

## Fellowship Meeting Friday At Pioneer

The Draw Nigh to God Fellowship Meeting will be at the Pentecostal Church in Pioneer Friday night at 7:30

p.m. "Be sure and come, you'll be glad you came," Ruby E. McCowen, Pastor, stated.

## Garden Club Meeting

The Cross Plains Garden Club will meet Friday, January 13 at 2:00 p.m. at the Multi-Purpose Center 701 East 8th Street.

Our program will be "Splendid Survivors - Cacti" by Mrs. Lucille Payne. Members will display cacti plants.

Arbor Day program will be given. "Why Plant a Tree?"

Door prize will be given away by the November winner.

Hostesses will be Mrs. Julene Franke and Mrs. Joyce Odom.

### School Board Met Jan. 5

The Board of Trustees for the Cross Plains I.S.D. met Thursday, January 5 to discuss school facilities.

### Colonial Oaks Services

Pioneer Pentecostal will conduct worship services at Colonial Oaks Nursing Home on Sunday, January 15, commencing at 3:30 p.m.

The following poem was submitted by Troy Crockett and was given to him by Link Lawrence. The late Mrs. Lawrence was a daughter of Alice Henderson. Mrs. Henderson was a sister to Troy's mother Mrs. Annie McDaniel Crockett and a daughter of H.L. McDaniel. Mr. McDaniel was one of the first men to build a log cabin in Callahan County.

Mr. J.M. Coffman was also one of the first settlers in the county. He was the grandfather of Jim Baum and built the house where Jim lived for many years. The house was built in 1881. His great-granddaughter Linda and her husband Carroll Pringle live there now. Linda is the fourth generation to live in this home.

#### "A DOUBLE WEDDING"

Turkey Creek, April 3, 1883, at Cross Plains, Callahan County. J.M. Coffman, Miss Alice E. McDaniel to Mr. Joseph Henderson, and Miss Lucy Cochran to Mr. P.P. Windham.

A double wedding in our town,  
And not a preacher near,  
And I, a bashful country squire,  
Am summoned to appear.

Oh! lack a day, I tremble now,  
For 'tis a Parson's job,  
I'd rather face a billy goat,  
Or a Texas cow-boy mob.

But the case is urgent, I must go,  
(Oh! parson do not blame)  
I'll brace me up with just a drop,  
I think you'd do the same.

The thing is did; they're man and wife,

I tied them good and fast,  
For good or ill, better or worse,  
The dye is surely cast.

God grant them many happy years,  
And many earthly joys,  
And to each couple young and fair,  
Sweet girls and manly boys.

But if these lads should lose their wives,

And married again should be,  
And have to foot a parson's bill,  
I hope they'll think of me.

For I was so skeered I dar not charge,

I'll gladly pass that by,  
But Oh! I dared not Kiss the brides,  
For fear they'd smell the rye.

Now candidates pray be advised

Election is drawing near,  
If your hearts should fail and make  
you quail

Content yourself with beer.

Signed.....  
Turkey Creek Jim  
(J.M. Coffman)

## Chamber Of Commerce To Meet On January 19

The Cross Plains Chamber of Commerce will convene its regular monthly membership meeting on January 19 at 12:00 noon at Collum's Restaurant. The speaker for the luncheon will be Durwood Wilkerson. He will speak on GTE's plans for the Cross Plains telephone system.

## COURTHOUSE NEWS

### COUNTY COURT Bill Johnson presiding

**Misdemeanor Minutes**  
Duncan E. Goshert, resisting arrest dismissed due to defendant not being mentally competent to stand trial.

**MARRIAGE LICENSES**  
Barbara Allene Tollett & Felix W. Manion of Baird.  
Tamara Jo Brown, Clyde, Shane Dustin Schneider, Dyess AFB.

**NEW VEHICLES**  
Ted Doan, Clyde, Chry 4 dr.  
Terrie & John Cooper, Rule, Jeep 4 dr.  
Jerry Hance, Abilene, Dodge PU.  
Aaron Cooper, Tuscola, Jeep 2 dr.  
Randy Anderson, Corpus Christi, Chev PU.  
Jimmy E. Brown, Abilene, Chev Sub.  
Debbie Warz & Stephen Fulbright,

Eastland, Pont 2 dr.  
David Weise, Eastland, Chev PU.  
Daniel & Janice Faught, Abilene, GMC Housecar.  
David Bray, Abilene, Dodge PU.

### 42nd DISTRICT COURT John Weeks presiding

**Civil Filings**  
Divorces filed:  
York, Barbara Jean & Jeffery D. Gilbert, Frederic H. & Connie Michelle, and in the interest of minor child.  
Garcia, Kathy & Gabriel Rudy, and in the interest of minor child.

**Civil Minutes**  
Divorces granted:  
Thomas, Morris & Felecia Ann.

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## CROSS PLAINS POLICE REPORT

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**62 CALLS FOR SERVICE**  
10 - assist other departments  
03 - assist citizen  
05 - assist motorist  
13 - citizen complaints  
05 - suspicious persons  
06 - suspicious vehicles  
05 - family disturbances  
01 - livestock out  
02 - dog calls  
01 - auto accidents  
01 - business alarm  
01 - gas drive off  
01 - hit and run  
02 - car fires  
01 - burglary  
01 - unauthorized use of motor vehicle  
01 - recovery of stolen property  
01 - criminal mischief

**2 ARREST**  
01 - delivery of a controlled substance  
01 - failure to appear for district court

**17 CITATIONS**  
15 - speeding  
01 - no drivers license  
01 - no current vehicle registration



EDGAR ALBRECHT, JR. AND JODY FOSTER

## Foster-Albrecht Making Wedding Plans

Mr. and Mrs. Mickey Joe Foster of Pflugerville, Texas are pleased to announce the engagement of their daughter, Jody Michelle, to Edgar Hugo Albrecht, Jr., son of Edgar and Barbara Albrecht of Cottonwood. A late August wedding is planned at First Presbyterian Church in Austin.

## Pioneer This Week

By BARBARA POWELL

Here at Procrastination Point we do a lot of bird watching. The birds have been hungry and coming to the feeder because of the cold weather. The feeders have to be filled every few days. We use a drip system bird bath along with the feeders to attract the birds. Bob threw out some peanuts which attracted Red Shafred Flickers, large flocks of Meadow Larks and multitudes of Blue Jays, Black Capped Chickadee's and Tufted Titmice flock together. It is quite a sight to see Tufted Titmice eating peanuts. They pick up a peanut one-half their size then laboriously fly up into a tree limb, hopefully without dropping it, crack it open to get to the kernel. The Chickadee's seem to prefer sunflower seeds. The Blue Jays love peanuts but their normal diet is acorns.

Laverne Hutton had a mishap last week. On the sidewalk between Mozell's and the bank, she took quite a tumble. She was fortunate to have only a small cut which required two stitches and some scrapes and bruises. She is feeling o.k. and is going to have the stitches removed. She and Cowan are excited about the renovation of the Main Street Church of Christ auditorium. They are now meeting at the Church of Christ Activity

Center on Highway 36 in Cross Plains.

Several from the Pioneer Community attended a demonstration on Use of Pastels by Coleman artist Judy Needham sponsored by the Paint and Palette Club of Cross Plains. She did a picture of a puppy you wanted to reach out and pet.

Frankie, Oliver Smith along with Jean Fore attended the Putnam musical Friday night. Saturday the three went shopping in Eastland.

Most of those in the community I spoke with have been staying close to the fire this week. Most of us are looking forward to getting back to quilting. Last week the cold weather caused us to cancel our quilting day.

Speaking of the Pioneer Quilting Club, back in the 60's each member 'had her day'. It was ladies choice. It was her option on what the club did such as; shell peas, hand work, or quilt. They only met once a month at that time. If a quilt was in they would meet more often until the quilt was completed. Doesn't that sound like fun?

## Congressional Internship Application Deadline Is Near

WASHINGTON, D.C. —Congressman Charles Stenholm reminds all college students and educators interested in participating in the 1995 Washington, D.C. Internship Program that the application deadline is January 17.

Four interns will be selected to work in the congressman's office for one-month intervals in June or July. The interns will be actively involved in the daily operation of the congressman's office, and duties will include researching and assisting with constituent inquiries and projects. Interns will also have an opportunity to attend committee meetings, floor debates, and a speaker's series.

Internships are available to college students from the 17th Congressional District of Texas or those attending college in the district, and teachers and administrators. The interns are paid a one-month stipend to cover living expenses.

Intern applications are available by writing Raymond McDaniel, Jr., Chairman of the Omar Burleson Congressional Internship Selection Committee,

P.O. Box 543, Abilene, Texas, 79604 or by calling Elaine Talley in the Abilene district office at 915-673-7221.

The deadline to apply for an internship is January 17. Applications will be forwarded to a selection committee who will notify finalists by February 22. Interviews will be conducted in Abilene on March 18 and interns will be selected on that date.

## Selected Scriptures

I will instruct you and teach you in the way you should go; I will counsel you and watch over you.

— Psalm 32:8

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Evening Worship ..... 7:00 p.m.  
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## LIBRARY NOTES

January 5 - 9

**Circulation:** 224  
**Memorials:** Bob and Sally Rody for M.C. Landolt and Ethel Ames; Jack and Kathryn Tunnell and Billie Loving for Ethel Ames; Mr. and Mrs. Robert E. Clark for Ruth Joy  
**Donations:** Jack and Kathryn Tunnell and Ferne Hutchins  
**New Books:** Middle School and Elementary  
**Eagles** - Butterworth  
**Dolphins** - Bailey  
**Soccer** - Wilner  
**Trains** - Bowler  
**The Nile:** Waterloo  
**The Amazon:** Waterloo  
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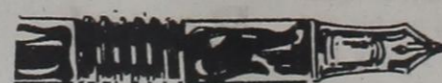
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MR. AND MRS. R.C. (BOB) STEARNS

## Local Couple To Celebrate 50th Anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. R.C. (Bob) Stearns will be honored with a reception celebrating their 50th Wedding Anniversary on Sunday, January 15 at their home on F.M. Road 2940 East (second brick house on left out of Cross Cut) from 2 to 5 p.m. Their children request the pleasure of your company.



WENDY MAE BIRDSONG & WELDON W. GAGE  
...planning May 20 wedding in Clyde

## Gage - Birdsong Planning May 20 Wedding

Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Gage and Mrs. Estalee Potter wish to announce the engagement of their grandson, Weldon W. Gage, son of Mr. and Mrs. Tony W. Gage, to Wendy Mae, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Eddie L. Birdsong. Both are 1991 graduates of Clyde High

School. Weldon is a senior at Hardin-Simmons University majoring in Finance. Wendy graduated from Abilene Christian University with a BBA in Business Administration. The couple is planning a May 20, 1995 wedding at the Clyde Church of Christ.

## LETTER TO THE EDITOR

As you know, this office recently released *Gaining Ground*, our third comprehensive performance review of state government. It contains 400 recommendations to save Texas taxpayers more than \$4.6 billion over the next five years.

One of the proposals in *Gaining Ground* has been met with a great deal of confusion—and perhaps, distortion. This recommendation would temporarily set the state's contribution rate to the Teacher Retirement System (TRS) at 6 percent. This would save Texas taxpayers nearly \$400 million over the next two years *without threatening a single penny of the pension fund for retired public school teachers.*

Recently, we were pleased to see that the Sunset Advisory Commission confirmed what we have been saying about the ability to lower the state's contribution to the TRS fund and still give a historic benefit increase.

In fact, according to a comprehensive report just issued by the Commission, the 6 percent rate would allow for the largest ad hoc benefit increase for retired teachers in history—a total of more than \$1 billion for retired teachers.

In addition, the Sunset Commission pointed out that there are 6,600 retired school teachers in Texas living below the poverty line. It infuriates me to know that so many retired teachers are forced to subsist on so little after doing so much to educate generations of Texans, particularly when the money is there for a huge benefit increase.

The Sunset Commission report also echoes another point we had made in the past regarding TRS. You may recall that I bestowed my first *Silver Snout Award* (for those bureaucrats who have their noses buried deep in the public trough), on TRS officials four years ago. At the time, we pointed to their lavish spending on office luxuries such as a health club, fine china in the executive dining room, a greenhouse, a grand piano and expensive artwork.

According to the Sunset Commission report, TRS continues to spend money faster than should be expected. As a matter of fact, the report notes that from 1981 to 1991, TRS operating expenses grew six times faster than system membership. In 1992, TRS operating expenses were increasing an average of almost 10 percent per year, including "dramatic" increases in expenses per TRS member.

I wanted to let you know about the recent Sunset Commission report because there has been a great deal of discussion about TRS benefits, and unfortunately, a great deal of misinformation was being spread. These kind of debates can sometimes be confusing, and it's hard to tell who to believe. We are very pleased to see that many of our findings are now being echoed by the Sunset Advisory Commission.

Again, our proposal regarding the state contribution rate to the TRS would not take one penny from the fund, would not endanger the fund in any way, and would

still allow for the largest ad hoc benefit increase in history for retired teachers. In addition, it could free up money that could be used to make a sizable down payment on a pay increase for active teachers.

This is a very personal important issue to me. My mother was a teacher for 25 years, and my father still receives a check from her pension each month. I would never cut his benefits—or anyone else's.  
John Sharp  
Comptroller of Public Accounts

## COLONIAL OAKS NURSING HOME NEWS

By LINDA EDINGTON  
Activity Director

We now have an extra attraction going on during our week. Mr. Vernon Falkner from Rising Star has volunteered to come each Thursday afternoon and play his harmonica for us. We always appreciate those that come and share their talents with us. All our volunteers are special people to us.

Our appreciation to Rolan Jones for the turnips, to Frances Wolf for the cake, to Debbie Thomas for the lemon bars, to Ruby Cassle for the cinnamon rolls and to Pete Golson for the chips.

Donna, Natalie, Ryan and Austin Baller from Andrews visited Wonnice Walton and Lucille Stone.

Andra and Tommy Adams from Colorado Springs, Colorado and Katy, Texas visited Annabel Vaught.

Farrell and Carol Stephens visited with Leila Montgomery, Zenovia Strickland, Elsie Porter, Vera Belyeu, Mary Keele and Nettie Clark.

Lorena Wright and Bobbie Johnson visited Everett Wright.

Activities during the week:  
**Monday:** Bingo winners were: Bertha Wheeler, Zenovia Strickland, Dorothy Thomas, Mildred Ford, Sylvia Smith, Elsie Porter, Mary Keele (3), Allie Dickson, Suma Dill and Gertie Powell. Exercise class.

**Tuesday:** Art class. Popcorn.  
**Wednesday:** Sing-a-long with Ruby McCowen. Wanted: Anyone to come sing with us on Wednesday mornings from 9:30 to 10:30. Exercise class.

**Thursday:** Bingo winners were: Zenovia Strickland (2), Bertha Wheeler (2), Dorothy Thomas (#), Vera Belyeu, Mildred Ford, Elsie Porter, Gertie Powell and Suma Dill. Harmonica music with Vernon Falkner. Domino games.

**Friday:** Sit-down-basketball. Afternoon singing with Sister Ruby and Bobby Jack McCowen. Domino and Skip Bo games.

**Sunday:** Pioneer Pentecostal  
The best and most beautiful things in the world cannot be seen or touched but are felt in the heart.

## Maggie Cook To Be Honored On 95th Birthday

Maggie S. Cook, former longtime resident of Cross Plains, will be honored Sunday afternoon, January 16, from two until four o'clock with a reception at the home of her daughter George Cecil Stone in Shamrock Shores on Brownwood Lake. The come-and-go affair will be in celebration of the honoree's 95th birthday.

Mrs. Cook, daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. George B. Scott, was born at Baird just 15 days into this century. She is the widow of C.R. (Mike) Cook, with whom she operated an insurance agency here many years.

All of Mrs. Cook's friends are invited to attend but it is stressed that there be no gifts.

## In Memory Of Charles Boatright

God saw he was getting tired and a cure was not to be  
So he put his arms around him and whispered "come with me"

With tearful eyes we watched him suffer and saw him fade away.  
Although we couldn't bear to lose him We could not bid him stay.

A golden heart stopped beating hard working hands laid to rest  
God broke out hears to prove to us, He only takes the best.

Poem written by Winnie Butler and submitted with love by Jo Boatright, Charles' wife.

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## BREAKTHRU

By Bob Pipes, preacher  
Cross Plains Church of Christ  
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I really enjoy little "sentence sermons." Some where I preach may be asking me now to use one of them each Sunday instead of the regular length ones! But there's a time and place for sentence sermons. I want to share a few with you at this time — and even then I'll have to be careful not to enlarge upon them!

"Many a person is hiding his light under a bushel — when a thimble would serve quite well!"

"Some only believe half of what they hear alright — but it's usually the wrong half!"

"Satan's attempt is to find, blind, and grind us."

"May God hasten the day when the Bible's value is recognized, its words memorized, its truths idolized, and its principles personalized."

"I'll be good for a quarter, Mother," said a little girl, hopefully. "Oh," replied her mother, "Why can't you be good like your brother? He doesn't have to have a quarter — he's good for nothing!"

"He who cannot forgive others, breaks the bridge over which he himself must pass if he would ever reach heaven — for everyone has need to be forgiven!"

Boy! How I'd like to comment further on some of these — especially the one about the little boy who's "good for nothing." I think I might know his name! And yes, we must all be forgiven. Come strive with us toward more Christ-likeness — so we can be more forgiving like Him. We really do care about you, too!

### Sunday's Sermons:

A.M. — "Jesus Teaches The Multitude"  
P.M. — (To Be Announced)

Sunday Morning Bible Class ... 9:45 a.m.  
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### To the Editor, Cross Plains Review:

The Cross Plains City Council has called a Special Election for Saturday, January 21, 1995, to consider the passage of a Proposition which will create an economic development fund by increasing the sales tax by one-half percent.

I believe this is a vote for the future of Cross Plains. The Texas Legislature created this vehicle to provide the opportunity for communities like ours to help themselves by doing something economically positive.

The sales tax revenues would be spent on economic development projects which could include a low interest loan program for starting or expanding small businesses; incentives for businesses considering moving to Cross Plains; or other projects that contribute to improving the city's attractiveness to new or expanding businesses. In short, the proposition is about generating jobs and growing the Cross Plains economy in the long run.

Obviously, we can't expect that the sales tax will make an immediate impact on the Cross Plains economy, but we can make an investment in our future. If we do not approve the proposition, Cross Plains is put at a disadvantage when compared to our neighboring towns and cities like Cisco, Baird, Brownwood and Abilene, who have already approved such an effort and are benefiting from it significantly.

The Board of Directors of the Cross Plains Chamber of Commerce voted their support for the passage of this proposition. I urge all Cross Plains citizens to also vote for the passage of the proposition, and the future of Cross Plains.

Sincerely,

Steven S. Mack  
President

Cross Plains Chamber of Commerce  
Pol. Adv. Paid by Steve Mack, Cross Plains, Texas 76443

## Time Running Out For WWII Vets To Find Old Friends

The recent 50-year celebration of D-Day was a somber reminder for many World War II veterans that those wartime buddies who did survive the war are fast succumbing to old age. Many veterans lost touch with their friends upon the war's end and a return to civilian life. Now with most WWII vets in retirement, many have time to reflect on their wartime friendships.

Several search organizations assist vets in finding old comrades. One relatively new and unique one is the Registry of American Veterans (ROAV). It was begun to alleviate the problems veterans

encounter in searching for one another and putting them back in touch with each other.

ROAV gathers information from veterans and computerizes their name, current residence, military units they served in and the time periods served in each outfit. Persons who join ROAV will receive an initial and annual printout of the database information of all veterans who served in the same unit during the same time frame as the joining member. The printout will show the current address and phone number of surviving unit members.

Jack Knight, Executive Director of ROAV, remarked, "The Registry has received thousands of requests from veterans since it was started in May 1993. The majority of letters come from WWII veterans who are searching for old war buddies. The 11th hour plight of these veterans was summed up in a letter from LeRoy Good from Frankfort, Indiana.

Veterans are encouraged to write to ROAV for information on how to get themselves registered. ROAV will then send them the proper form to complete and become part of the database. The address is Registry of American Veterans, P.O. box 51148, Riverside, California 92517.

## C.P. STUDENT REVIEW

By CAROL ATCHLEY, REPORTER

## J.V. Lady Buffs Update

The Cross Plains Lady Buffs Junior Varsity basketball team has swung into high gear since the start of 1995. Even though their current record of 1-9 is not outstanding, the girls are continuously improving on their individual game. Coach John Starcher states, "Sometimes you have to remember that there is more than wins and losses...player improvement is critical for future programs."

On Saturday, December 31, the J.V. squad took on Irion County at Lohn losing a tough 14-13 decision. Junior Karen Dunn led Cross Plains with 8 points, followed by Shanna Hutton with 3 and Hillary Giles with 2.

January 3 saw the Lady Buffs travel to Voss to play Panther Creek. Mental errors and too many turnovers cost Cross Plains with a 32-15 loss. Hutton led Cross Plains with 7 points while Dunn added three, Nikki Beggs and Kimberly Ratliff 2 each and Sheryl Glover scored 1.

The squad will play two District 29-A encounters with Rising Star (Tuesday) and Gorman (Friday) this week. The team will be without Sheryl Glover who has suffered a season-ending knee injury and Hillary Giles who had surgery prior to the Panther Creek contest. Giles may return in 3-4 weeks.

## A Good Way To Start: 1-0

Where there's a will, there's a way!! And that is the attitude the Lady Buffs basketball team of Cross Plains used against the Santa Anna Lady Mountaineers in the opening District 29-A contest for both teams. The Lady Buffs relied on a strong first half to win the game 36-32. Cross Plains did not shoot well in the game, hitting only 20 percent from the field and 45 percent at the free throw line. Lady Buffs Coach John Starcher commented, "We got a little tired offensively and defensively. The girls played a very deliberate second half which kept the score down on both teams."

The victory puts the Lady Buffs at 1-0 in the district race. Misty Strickland and Malysa Sowell led the attack with 10 points each. Whitney Kirkham scored 6, Renee Atchley put in 4, and scoring 2 points each were Amanda McGuire, Tonya Stover, and Jaonna Harris. The team played at Rising Star Tuesday night and the first "Jam The Gym" night will be Friday when Cross Plains hosts Gorman. Other recent Lady Buff action included a heart-breaking loss to Panther Creek January 3. Coach Starcher was out of town on the night, but Assistant Coach Mitch Atchley said, "The girls played a great game and we almost pulled it." Leading the team were Strickland with 14 points, Sowell with 12, and Stover with 10. Kirkham added 7 points and Amy Strength with 2.

December 31 had Cross Plains taking on Irion County in Lohn. Extensive foul trouble was a huge problem for the Lady Buffs as they suffered a 59-41 set back. Sowell again had a hot hand shooting for 12 points. Strickland put up 7, 6 each were by Kirkham and Stover, McGuire and Strength tallied 4 each and Atchley added 2.

Don't forget to Jam The Gym Friday night for the boys and girls key district contests against Gorman.

## Buffaloes Runner-Ups At Ranger Tournament District Play Begins

By COACH BILL BOYD

The Cross Plains Buffaloes won second place at the Ranger Holiday Classic. The Buffaloes were suppose to play Fort Worth Diamond Hill first round but they did not show, so we advanced on a forfeit. The second round saw Cross Plains run past Santa Anna 82-56. Jeremy Barnett led the Buffs with 22 points followed by Matt Reed with 16, Porcius Potter with 15, and Brock Walker with 13. The tournament finals saw the host team Ranger beat the Buffaloes 55-38. Reed was the Buffaloes leading scorer with 18 points. Porcius Potter and Matt Reed were named to the All-Tournament team. This marks the seventh time in a row the Buffaloes have reached a tournament final. This is a mark that I am extremely proud of.

On Tuesday night the January 3, the Buffs traveled to Panther Creek and were beaten 63-52. Porcius Potter led the Buffs with 17 points followed by Brock Walker with 15 and Donnie Dillard with 11.

As of this time the Buffaloes are tied for the district lead thanks to a 69-52 win over Santa Anna at Santa Anna. Matt Reed led all scorers with 17 points, 15 rebounds and 5 assists. Brock Walker had 16 points, 8 assists and 3 steals.

Donnie Dillard had 15 points, 11 rebounds and held Santa Anna's leading scorer to no points, zero, zilch, none, nada! All eleven kids saw some action and contributed to the win.

Our J.V. did not play Santa Anna because Santa Anna lost some of the athletes to grades. The J.V. Buffs did go to Panther Creek and defeated the Panthers 47-41. Dusty Hargrove led the team with 20 points and 17 rebounds. Bay Kirkham followed with 16 points.

Our J.V. is currently 8-4 and our varsity is 12-6. That is a winning percentage of .667 with only a total of five juniors and seniors in the whole program! The thing I am proudest of is that for the first time since I have been here at Cross Plains (4 years) all 22 players passed for the six weeks! I'll give you one even better than that all 22 kids made either the "A" or "AB" honor roll!

As I mentioned before district has started and we currently tied for first place with Eula. We have had only three home games out of 18 but we are about to have Gorman here this Friday and Eula here on Tuesday. Let's pack the Buffalo Dome both nights and fill the air with loud, positive comments for our kids. Basketball is a sport where the crowd can really make a difference in the games outcome. So let's jam the gym and give our kids all the support they deserve.

## Miss Valentine Parade And Photogenic Contest Upcoming

The Miss Valentine Parade is scheduled for Saturday, February 11th, at the Cross Plains I.S.D. Auditorium. Entry forms have been distributed at school and need to be returned no later than Tuesday, January 31.

The winners of Kindergarten, First and Second Grades will be announced early in the program and the participants may leave at this time.

If you have any questions call Judy Luter 725-7222 or Joyce McCoy 725-6658.

Beta Sigma Phi Photogenic is open to boys and girls from birth to 12th grade,

who reside within the Cross Plains School District.

Any size photo up to 8 X 10 unframed, color or black and white may be submitted. No cheese cake or swim wear photos will be accepted.

An entry fee of \$5.00 per photo will be required. You may enter as many photos as you wish, each accompanied with the corresponding fees.

Photos are judged on creativity, composition, and photographic qualities. Most Photogenic will be broken down into twelve age division winners and an

overall winner. Winners will be announced and presented awards at the Valentine Parade.

All photos except the top winners may be picked up in the auditorium following the Valentine Parade. Winners' photos will be published in the Cross Plains Review and returned.

Photos and fees must be in no later than Monday, February 6. Photos, fees and registration forms may be returned to Nora Odom or Dora Smith at Cross Plains School. Contact Nora Odom 725-6840 or Wanda Merryman 725-6476.

## MOST PHOTOGENIC ENTRY FORM

NAME \_\_\_\_\_ GRADE \_\_\_\_\_ AGE \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE \_\_\_\_\_

PARENT/GUARDIAN \_\_\_\_\_

BIRTH TO 1 \_\_\_\_\_ 1ST & 2ND \_\_\_\_\_  
 1 TO 2 YRS \_\_\_\_\_ 3RD & 4TH \_\_\_\_\_  
 2 TO 3 YRS \_\_\_\_\_ 5TH & 6TH \_\_\_\_\_  
 3 TO 4 YRS \_\_\_\_\_ 7TH & 8TH \_\_\_\_\_  
 4 TO 5 YRS \_\_\_\_\_ 9TH & 10TH \_\_\_\_\_  
 5 TO KG \_\_\_\_\_ 11TH & 12TH \_\_\_\_\_

AGE AS OF FEBRUARY 7, 1994

NUMBER OF PHOTOS ENTERED \_\_\_\_\_  
 ENTRY FEE \$5.00 \_\_\_\_\_

## BURKETT NEWS

By LOVERA STRICKLAND

Visitors with D.J. and Lois Turner New Year's weekend were Terry, Becky, Renee, Keith, Annette and Hayley Turner of Gainsville. D.J. and Lois were in Lubbock last week attending the funeral of Lois's uncle, John R. McKinley. Jon Turney of Whon, spent Tuesday with Jack and Lovera Strickland. Tuesday evening they went to Brownwood where they met Eureka and Jody Whitley and visited with them awhile.

Holiday visitors of Mike and Linda Brady were Carolyn Koel, Russell, Eli and Alisa Gould and Brian Gileson of Abilene; Ben and Lucille Creek of Coleman; Tim, Melinda and Stephanie Bledsoe of Valera; Kim and Dawson Schnartz of Austin; Thomas and Robert Belvry of Irving; Jacky Dodgen, Marty, Glenda and J.J. Callaway of Burkett.

We have been enjoying spring like weather the last few days. Birdie Helms came up with temperatures that were recorded in December of 1983.

December 15, low 30 high 65; December 16, low 27 high 44; December 17, low 24 high 40; December 18, low 14 high 36; December 19 low 13 high 23;

December 20, low 18 high 31; December 21, low 12 high 32; December 22, low 2 high 15; December 23, low 9 high 18; December 24, low 4 high 16; December 25, low 5 high 23; December 26, low 14 high 43. I think all of us remember the winter of 1983.

Birdie and Gill Helms were host to a number of their relatives Wednesday. Reminiscing memories of the Harris family were Mr. and Mrs. H.O. Townsend of Abilene, Mr. and Mrs. Chuck Lewis of Eucolyptus Canyon, California, Mr.

and Mrs. Bob Truhlor of Lincoln, Nebraska, and Wayne Brous of Lometa. They all enjoyed a wonderful day.

Burkett-Adams Cemetery Association has received the follow contributions from: Lanette Burns, Raymond and Helen Hounshell, Raymond Cross, Faye Decker, Mildred Rawls, Claudia George and Danny and Linda Woodruff. We appreciate everyone's donations. Thank you. Donations to the Burkett-Adams Linda Brady, Rt. 1 Box 5, Burkett, Texas 76828-9704.

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 Cecilia Smoot  
 Earl Montgomery  
 John Terrell Gardner

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 Mrs. Exal D. McMillan  
 Charles Pippins  
 Johnny Illingworth  
 Le'Ann Jordan  
 John Roberts  
 Linda Chandler  
 Crystal Nelson  
 Ileen Smith  
 Jessica Childers  
 Todd Watson  
 Sam Fleming, Jr.  
 Aaron Phillips  
 Michael Curry

JANUARY 15  
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 Gary Childers  
 Mrs. C. R. Cook  
 Starr Appleton  
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 Regina Fleming  
 Mrs. Vernon Donaway  
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## GREETINGS FROM YOUR SENIOR CITIZENS

By THELMA LONG

There is not much news to report as your reporter has been out for some time. Thanks to all who called. It's nice to be remembered when you are ill.

Hopefully, when I get back, all of you will fill me in on what has been going on in your life. Remember the quote "When you see news happen, give me a call".

We are glad Peggy Koenig was not seriously injured in her car accident. Count your blessings Peggy. I hear that Doyle McMillan also was involved in an accident in Cisco.

Mary Bates was sick for awhile, also Jo Key. Glad we are all getting back to normal. Hazel Marsh and Marge were out one day. Hope they were not sick. A.B. Rowan is out of the hospital and back at Colonial Oaks. She is not doing well. Our hearts go out to A.B. August Garlitz is still with his daughter, but a little better.

Let's all just keep walking.

## SCHOOL LUNCH MENU

JAN. 16 - JAN. 20  
 (Subject to Change)

### BREAKFAST

MONDAY - Pancake, sausage, orange juice, and milk.

TUESDAY - Cereal, toast, grape juice, and milk.

WEDNESDAY - Bacon, egg, biscuit and jelly, orange juice, and milk.

THURSDAY - Oatmeal, toast, grape juice, and milk.

FRIDAY - Blue berry muffins, orange juice, and milk.

### LUNCH

MONDAY - Vegetable beef soup, grilled cheese, crackers, peach halves, and milk.

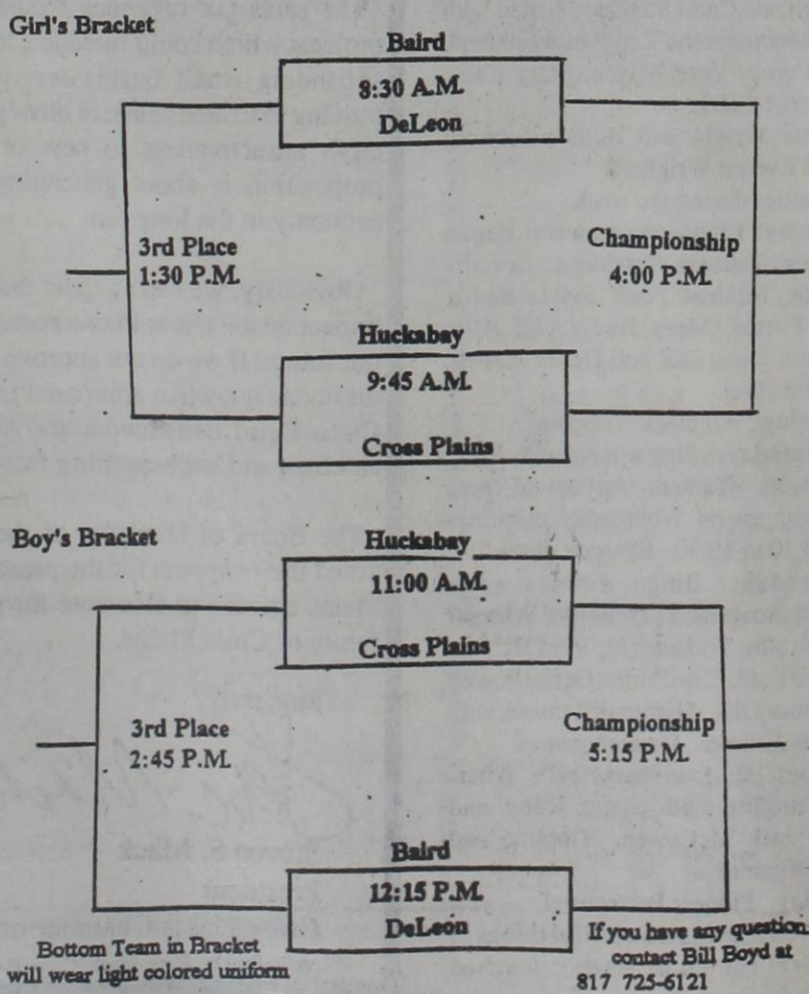
TUESDAY - Chicken nuggets with gravy, creamed potatoes, mixed vegetables, rolls, honey packet, and milk.

WEDNESDAY - Pizza, corn, salad, Jello with fruit, and milk.

THURSDAY - Barbecue, pinto beans, pickles, mixed fruit, rolls, and milk.

FRIDAY - Hamburger, lettuce, tomatoes, pickles, fries, cookie, and milk.

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A special thank you to Bro. Bob Wallace and Bro. Charles Fortenberry for officiating at Charles' services and Al Anderson and his band for their musical offering.

We appreciated the Believer's Fellowship delivering dinner to Peggy's home for our family. Every kind deed will be long remembered.

Jo Boatright Junior and Peggy Hilburn Grandchildren and Great-grandchildren

CARD OF THANKS

Our sincere thanks and appreciation to each one of you for the many calls, cards, visits, words of encouragement and especially your prayers during Bill's confinement to the hospital and since returning home. Words cannot express how much it means to both of us knowing we have such caring and good friends.

Our love to all of you, Bill and Donna Gregg

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Monty Richards Club President

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