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Down Home

By VANDA ANDERSON
CREECH
Editor

A dear friend of mine, who would like to remain anonymous, brought by the following letter and asked if I would place it in my weekly column. She said it was an answered prayer, as she had wanted a special letter and it was provided at her church one Sunday. It is so wonderful when you can recognize God's hand in your daily lives.

Please read the letter and respond as you feel moved. The message should make everyone want to improve your communication with God.

Dear Friend,

As you got up this morning, I watched you and hoped you would talk to me, even if it was just a few words, asking my opinion or thanking me for something good that happened in your life yesterday. But, I noticed you were too busy trying to find the right outfit to put on and wear.

I waited again. When you ran around the house getting ready, I knew there would be a few minutes for you to stop and say hello. But you were too busy. At one point, you had to wait 15 minutes with nothing to do except sit in a chair. Then I saw you spring to your feet. I thought you wanted to talk to me then, but you ran to the phone and called a friend to get the latest gossip.

I watched as you went out and I waited patiently all day long. With all your activities, I guess you were too busy to say anything to me. I noticed that before lunch you looked around, maybe you felt embarrassed to talk to me. That is why you didn't bow your head. You glanced three or four tables over and you noticed some of your friends talking to me briefly before they ate. But you didn't. That's okay. There was still some time left, and I had the hope that you would talk to me yet.

You went home and it seems as if you had a lot of things to do. After a few of them were done, you turned on the TV. I don't really like TV. Just about everything goes on there and you spend a lot of time each day in front of it. I waited patiently as you watched TV and ate your meal. But again you didn't talk to me. As you did your work, I waited as you did what you had to do.

At bedtime I guess you felt too tired. After you said goodnight to your family you plopped into bed and fell asleep in no time. That's okay because you may not realize that I am always there for you.

I've got patience -- more than you'll ever know. I even want to teach you how to be as patient with others as well. Because I love you so much, a long time ago I left a wonderful place called Heaven and came to earth. I gave it all up so that I could be ridiculed and made fun of. I even died so you could be in Heaven someday.

I love you so much that I wait every day for a nod, a prayer, or a thought, or a thankful part of your heart. It is hard to have a one-sided conversation. Well, you are getting up again and I will wait with nothing but love for you -- hoping that today you will give me some time.

Have a nice day!

Your friend,

Jesus

p.s. Do you have enough time to send this to another person?

Payments to County Farmers \$211,218

Scott Odom, County Executive Director of the Callahan County Farm Service Agency announced that USDA has begun making \$211,218.00 in payments to Callahan County farmers to help offset heavy losses resulting from low commodity prices.

"These income loss assistance payments are part of a relief package designed to help farmers who can plan for a spring crop now instead of a spring auction."

The payments will be issued to those farmers who were eligible under the 1996 Farm Bill for fiscal year (FY) 1998 final Production Flexibility Contract (PFC) payments, sometimes called market transition payments.

A total of \$2.8 billion is being provided in relief payments to farmers across the country. Although \$3.057 billion was appropriated for the payments, Congress mandated that \$200 million be made available for assistance to dairy farmers. As a result, individual farmers will receive about 49.72 percent of their total FY 1998 PFC payment.

"You don't have to file an application to receive these payments," said Odom. "They will be automatically paid to eligible farmers."

USDA intends to make announcements about other provision in the relief package, including disaster relief, in the upcoming weeks.

Christmas Tour of Homes Saturday, Dec. 5

How better to spend a mere \$6 per person than to attend this year's Beta Sigma Phi Christmas Homes Tour? Featuring a total of six homes, four great country residences are located near one another in the Atwell Community, while two other charming homes are located in Cross Plains. The times will be from 4:00 - 7:00 p.m., Saturday, December 5. You won't want to miss seeing any of them! If you can't, or don't wish to drive this far outside the city limits, a ride can be arranged for you.

Remember - the Beta Sigma Phi Sorority is primarily a SERVICE organization and exists for the betterment of our community! Members deliver holiday food baskets gathered by the Boy Scouts. They sponsor a trip to Austin and the state Capitol for the 7th grade history class field trip each school year. Proceeds from the fund-raising activities go to help purchase glasses for children who otherwise would not be able to have them, scholarships for local graduates, bonuses for the stock show participants, and other purposes.

Make these worthwhile goals possible for the sorority and our community and show the owners of these homes you appreciate their efforts. Nathan & Louise Foster, James & Paulette Foster, Michael & Ila Gilliam, Vondal & Joyce Hutchins, Joe & Delma Coppinger and Roy Neil & Ellowayne Tatom welcome you on December 5. Tickets may be purchased from any member of the sorority - or you may purchase them at the door of any of the homes.

(Look for descriptions and pictures of these homes in this and the next issue of the Review.)

Submitted by Mary Ann Chaffin



AREA HUNTERS AND LAND OWNERS LINED UP FOR HUNTERS FEED SPONSORED LOCALLY



KIX RADIO STATION FROM BROWNWOOD PREPARED THE HAMBURGERS FOR THE FEED

440 ATTEND HUNTERS FEED

By RUSTY REED

KIX Radio Station helped make the Hunters Feed a huge success with over 440 hunters and land owners attending. Thanks to Cross Plains businesses and citizens for supplying the reason -- 106 gift certificates and door prizes.

Right now, we the people of Cross Plains need all the business we can get and these hunters bring it, in the form of buying gas, ice, ammunition, clothes, corn and food.

One restaurant owner I talked to said they were so busy the day of the feed they almost never caught up on orders. Another business reported selling 5 tons of corn -- that's 200 bags.

These hunters will spend a lot of money at your business and that is what the hamburger feed is for, just a little encouragement to buy in Cross Plains. In all actuality, these hamburgers aren't free because the hunters return it to our local business with their patronage.

Let us thank all who helped make it a success: Annual Staff for the rifle raffle; Athletic Boosters - deer stand raffle; Cody Reed, Landon Hill, Ricky Allen, River Dillard, Bree Dillard and Jennifer Young for serving cold drinks; Brenda Martin and Angie Stephenson for braving the cold and helping with the door prize tickets; Betty Cavanaugh - registering hunters; Donald Strength - furnishing ice; Cross Plains Review - coverage of the event. Vanda will help anyway she can, if only asked; KIX Radio Station - cooking hamburgers and radio promotion, Mike Woods and son, Cathy Permenter and Phil

Local Students' Holiday Schedule

Thanksgiving holiday for students of Cross Plains ISD will be November 23-27. Teachers will be attending staff development classes on November 23 and 24. Students will have a holiday on these two days and will not be required to make them up.

Watts; Bud Dillard - announcing drawing winners; Becky Dillard and Debbie Reed for assisting in various capacities; Susan Schaefer - preparing door prize certificates. If we left anyone out, we are sorry and apologize to you.

Thanks to those who donated cash and door prizes as follows; Coyote Flat General Store; Jim's Computer Systems; West Texas Utilities; Cross Plains Economic Development; DC's Automotive at Santa Anna; Higginbotham Funeral Home; Harris Farms; Cross Plains Grain and Peanut; Trophy and Awards at Burleson; Cross Plains Frozen Foods, Higginbotham Brothers; Jones Real Estate; J & L Sales; Tye's Liquor; Auto Wire; Wild Texas Taxidermy; Dairy Queen, Box R Outfitters; Jim Fleming; Citizens State Bank; Cross Plains Chamber of Commerce; Hang Em High at Spicewood; Pioneer Farmers Co-op; D & G Welding; Subway; Kastle Energy at Dallas; Hunters Equipment at San Angelo; Sundance Equipment at Clyde; Steve's Delivery Service; Johnson's Dry Good; Stop & Go Bar-b-que; Food Plaza #4; KLH Construction; Village Market; Tim's Floral and Gifts; Sweet Stuff; Lawrence Farm and Ranch; Texas Sidewinder Rods; Cross Plains Petroleum; Taste of Texas; Cross Plains Review; Skinny's; T&K Tire and Alignment; and Jean's Feed Barn.

If anyone has suggestions to improve the Hunters Feed, please let us know. Lowell Martin, Joe Kemp and myself appreciated everyone's assistance.

Youth Group Bake Sale Saturday

First United Methodist Jr. High Youth Group will have a bake sale Saturday, November 21 at Village Market from 8 a.m. to 12 noon.

The money raised from the bake sale will go to help them go to Mid Winter Camp.

Let the youth help you with your holiday baking needs while you help them go to camp.

Cross Plains Area Housing Initiative Can Help You

By VANDA ANDERSON
CREECH
Editor

Mary Graves, a member of the Cross Plains Area Housing Initiative, is at the Senior Citizens Center each Wednesday from 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. accepting applications for assistance in repairing homestead property or purchasing a homestead. She will help you fill out an application. Call (254) 725-6563 to schedule a time.

There is NO CHARGE involved. Mrs. Graves is volunteering her expertise, as she retired from USDA Rural Development in October 1996.

Public response has been favorable and she encourages others to come by. Your repairs do not have to be major -- call or come by and see if they can assist you. You must be a homeowner and very low income. Loans are available for purchasing homes, also. The USDA will make the final determination of eligibility. The program serves the City of Cross Plains and surrounding areas. \$150,000 in 1 percent loan money and \$50,000 in grant money (which does not have to be repaid) has been set aside for the Cross Plains Area Housing Initiative from USDA - Rural Development. This must be utilized before July 1999.

Board members for Cross Plains

Kimberly Baker Executive Director of Callahan Nutrition Project

By VANDA ANDERSON
CREECH
Editor

Kimberly Baker is the Executive Director of the Callahan County Nutrition Project effective October 5, replacing Minnie Martin.

She is responsible for supervising three Senior Citizen Center site managers, Ron Ricci (Cross Plains), Billie Unrein (Baird), Arlene Sanders (Clyde), van driver Harold Holden, substitute van driver Tommy Alderidge, kitchen employees Nellie Palacio (head cook), Jana Alsels and Tammy Held, and Mary Hash Green Thumb worker.

Duties of office manager are also included. The Meals on Wheels Program for Callahan County is under her direction.

Mrs. Baker will be working with the Callahan County Nutrition Project Board of Directors, the City of Cross Plains, City of Baird, City of Clyde, West Central Texas Council of Governments and Texas Department of Transportation.

Board of Directors for Callahan Nutrition Development are Rosa Hass - chairman, Ray Womack, James Nichols, Jo Odom, Eleanor

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COTTONWOOD MUSICAL SET FOR FRIDAY

The Cottonwood Quilting Club will be hosting their monthly Country and Western Musical Friday, November 20, at the Cottonwood Community Center.

Musical entertainment will commence at 6:30 p.m. Emcee for the evening will be Smokey Callaway.

Area musicians are welcome to perform.



MARY GRAVES

Area Housing Initiative are Wimpy McCoy, Jack Scott, Steve Mack, Susan Schaefer, Bob Pipes, Mary Graves, Linda Henson, Richard Chaffin and Robert Noriega.

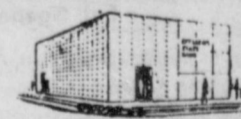
Mary and Linda attended the Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs Conference in Austin on November 8-10. They visited with other non-profit agencies to learn about additional funding which is available.

You are encouraged to look into this program and see if you can benefit. If the funds are not used, further allocations through this program will not be provided.



KIMBERLY BAKER

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COURTHOUSE NEWS

COUNTY COURT Bill Johnson presiding

Misdemeanor Filings

Charged with DWI: David Leon Tuggle, Gayland Kerry Smith, David Samuel Collins.
Charged with TPC (theft of property by check): Alex Gainer, Levi Dowdy, Sybil L. Boyd.

Misdemeanor Minutes

Darnell Eugene Montague, possession of marijuana, \$350 fine \$214.25 court costs, 30 days in jail probated for 6 months.
David Mark Gonzales, possession of marijuana, \$350 fine \$214.25 court costs, 20 days in jail probated for 6 months.
David Mark Gonzales, theft, \$400 fine \$214.25 court costs, 90 days in jail probated for 1 year.
Emily Austin King, TPC, \$100 fine \$176.25 court costs, 320.36 restitution.

Eduardo Hernandez, DWI, \$400 fine \$214.25 court costs, 90 days in jail probated for 2 years.

Motions filed to revoke probations: Edward L. Stephenson, Tammy Bain, Wade L. Littlejohn.
Kim Thomas, motion filed to revoke probation.
Martha M. Hester, probation revoked; sentenced to 30 days in jail.

MARRIAGE LICENSE

Shawnalee Jean McCray & Michael Steven Clark of Clyde.
Emma Berniece Seay & Randal Keith Goff of Abilene.
Tracy Sue Bales & Gregory Shayne Brown of Clyde.
Karen Jo Koenig & Stacy Marc Morgan of Cross Plains

42ND DISTRICT COURT John Weeks, presiding

Civil Filings

Divorce filed:
Elver, Brookie Wanda & George F.

Civil Minutes

Divorces granted:
Holland, Bill & Tammy.
Broadus, Ronal Charles & Jayne Louise.
Houston, Faye & Carl.
Wright, Paul & Lahaunda Kay.
Stapleton, Lauri Jean & Christopher David.

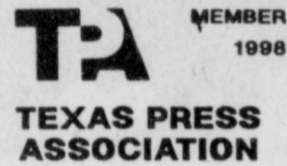
Felony Minutes

Candelario Alvarez, possession of a controlled substance, \$171.50 court costs, 120 days in jail less 22 days served.

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Selected Scriptures

I meditate on your age-old laws; O LORD, they comfort me. I am furious with the wicked, those who reject your law. Psalms 119:52
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OBITUARIES

Rosemary Pierson

RISING STAR—Rosemary Pierson, 80, passed away Monday, November 9, 1998, in a Stephenville hospital.

Services were held at 2 p.m. Thursday in Higginbotham Funeral Home Chapel with Denise Hester officiating. Burial was in Rising Star Cemetery.

Ms. Pierson was born in Kempner and moved to Rising Star more than 50 years ago. She worked for a telephone company and was a Methodist.

Survivors include two brothers, Norman Pierson of Sapulpa, Oklahoma, and Roger Pierson of Rising Star; two sisters, Genevieve Tomm of Joshua, Maybelle Murphree of Rising Star; and many nieces and nephews.

Daisy Erwin

RISING STAR—Daisy Erwin, 83, passed away Sunday, November 15, 1998, at a Brownwood hospital.

Services were held at 11 a.m. Tuesday at Higginbotham Funeral Home Chapel with Dick Williams officiating, assisted by Darrell Dossey and Terry Simmons. Burial was in Rising Star Cemetery.

Mrs. Erwin was born in Rising Star, where she lived all her life. She was a homemaker and a member of First Baptist Church. She married Ralph Erwin in 1932; he preceded her in death.

Survivors include one daughter, Sandra Elliott of Rising Star; one brother, Alton Larkin of Cisco; two sisters, Cloia Tucker of Rising Star and Zella Erwin of Cross Plains; two grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

Lord's Acre event slated Sat., Nov. 21

The First United Methodist Church in Baird would like to invite everyone to a day of fun, fellowship and feasting at the Lord's Acre Saturday, November 21 at the Baird School Cafeteria.

The Lord's Acre craft sale will begin at 10:00 a.m. in which antiques, arts and crafts, hand made quilts and much more will be offered to the public.

A turkey dinner will be served from 5:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m. Tickets are \$5.00 for adults and \$2.50 for children.

An auction will take place from 6:30 p.m. until 8:30 p.m. and children's games will be held from 5:00 p.m. until 6:30 p.m.

Open House for Medshares Home Care/Hospicer Set for Friday, Nov. 20

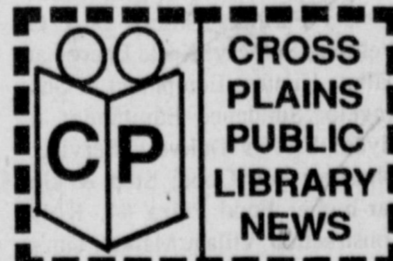
There will be an open house celebration for Medshares Home Care/Hospice (formerly Columbia) in Brownwood of Central Texas on Friday, November 20.

The reception will be held at 600 Fisk Avenue from 11:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. National Home Care and National Hospice Month will be recognized.

You are cordially invited to attend. Refreshments will be served.

COLONIAL OAKS SERVICES

Cottonwood Baptist will conduct worship services at Colonial Oaks Nursing Home on Sunday, November 22, commencing at 3:30 p.m.



Cross Plains books - 7
Abilene books - 7
Audio cassettes - 11
LAP - 124

REMINDER: The rummage, bake and book sale will be next Wednesday, November 25. See ad in the classified section under Garage Sales in this paper for details. Come by and browse and let us help you with your Thanksgiving dessert. Donated items may still be brought to the library by Tuesday afternoon, November 24 or early Wednesday morning, November 25. As usual we accept bread, cakes, pies, cookies or your favorite home baked item to supplement what we have to offer. Items for the rummage sale may be brought any afternoon before the sale. If afternoons are not possible, make a date for mornings or Saturdays. Someone will meet you at the library. The sooner items are brought the better, so everything will be ready on November 25. (NO CLOTHING PLEASE).

Contributions to Winters Fund still being accepted

Callahan County residents wishing to contribute to the Oplin firefighter burned during an October 14 grass fire can send their donations to the "JoAnn Winters Fund" in care of the First State Bank in Tuscola.

A fund for JoAnn Winters, who was severely burned while fighting a grass fire on October 14 in southern Callahan County, has been set up at the Tuscola bank. Donations can be mailed to P.O. Box 98, Tuscola, Texas 79562. The account number is 31715201.

JoAnn and her husband, Dale, are former Clyde residents. Their two sons, Rickey and Keith, are both graduates of Clyde High School. JoAnn served on the Citizens Emergency Medical Service board of directors in Callahan County until recently.

Winters remains hospitalized at University Medical Center in Lubbock. Cards of encouragement may be sent to JoAnn Winters, University Medical Center, BICU #2, 602 Indian Ave., Lubbock, Texas 79417.

Clyde firemen raise \$1,600 for JoAnn Winters

By BILLY HARRIS
Special Writer

CLYDE — The Clyde Volunteer Fire Department raised about \$1,600 for Oplin Volunteer Fireman JoAnn Winters.

A benefit hamburger supper was held at the Clyde Fire Department on November 3rd to raise funds for JoAnn who was injured in a grass fire last month. She remains in a Lubbock hospital being treated for second and third degree burns over 40 percent of her body.

Almost 400 people were served during the election day event.

The Clyde Fire Department would like to thank all that contributed to the fund-raiser.

CALLAHAN COUNTY DPS REPORT

Calls received by the Callahan County Department of Public Safety from November 8 through November 14, 1998 include:

Cases Investigated
Warnings - 59
Complaints - 81
Vehicle Accidents
There were five vehicle accidents investigated during this time span.
People Arrested On Outstanding Warrants
There were two outstanding warrants issued for a total of \$866.00 collected and paid to Callahan County.

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HEALTH NOTES

By RANDY YORK, FNP

"More Than Just a Nurse"

Over the past 10-20 years the delivery of health care has experienced many changes. One of the changes has been the introduction of the mid-level provider. This term, however, still causes a considerable amount of confusion. I read a journal article recently in which the governing bodies for Nurse Practitioners (NP) and Physician Assistants (PA) are exploding changing our professional titles to something that would better describe what it is we do. I agree that the current professional titles are misleading and say nothing about what we really do.

As a Nurse Practitioner I am trained and licensed to independently perform basic primary care in a clinic setting, which include assessing, diagnosing, and prescribing medication as well as other treatment modalities. Primary care is defined as health care that is provided in an office setting for acute illnesses, chronic disease management, and preventive health services. Acute illnesses are things such as a sprained ankle, upper respiratory infections, sinus infections, stomach viruses, pediatric illnesses, women's health issues and so on. Chronic management involves illnesses that have no "cure," but require ongoing medical management. Chronic illnesses are things such as high blood pressure, diabetes, arthritis, pulmonary disease, cardiac problems, high cholesterol, seizure disorders, fibromyalgia, and hormone replacement therapy. Preventive services are those activities that are designed to keep a person healthy. A few examples of this would be yearly physicals for all age groups, diet counseling, pap smear and breast exam for women, prostate checks for men, administration of all appropriate immunizations, lifestyle evaluations, family planning, and counseling regarding safety issues and high risk behavior. In addition to these services NP's can deliver minor emergency care. With appropriate training and established protocols NP's can function as a provider of major emergency and/or specialty care. Like MD's, there is a growing trend toward specialist Nurse Practitioners. Some of the more popular specialties are Women's Health, Pediatrics, Geriatrics, Emergency Medicine, and Allergy/Immunology. Within the area of specialization the NP functions much like the MD referring the more critically ill patients to the physician. Personally I am interested in focusing on an area of specialization at some point, but have not yet decided what area. These are only a few examples of what Family Nurse Practitioners do in practice everyday.

At the Cross Plains Clinic I provide all the services mentioned above with the exception of major emergency care and some specialty care. Any patient that I feel has a health concern that is beyond my expertise I will refer out to a specialty practice. I have established a strong referral base in Brownwood and Abilene for most specialty areas, but am willing to refer to any physician or hospital if a patient has a preference. Additionally, we have numerous patients who have primary physicians elsewhere that work with our staff to manage care for their patient locally. The objective for our clinic is to provide the highest level of care possible for each patient while maintaining patient privacy, preferences, and right. We are open Monday - Friday from 8:30 to 5 and see patients on a walk-in basis.

If you have any questions or comments please write to me at P.O. Box 490, Cross Plains, Texas 76443 or stop by the clinic at 109 E. 9th. I'll try to answer as many concerns as time permits. Additionally, if you have a health related question, send it to me and I'll pick some to address in a future article.

Fibromyalgia Support Group To Meet

The Fibromyalgia Support Group will meet every Friday at 7:00 p.m. in the home of Allen and Brenda Weizer, 124 North Avenue D (across from the Post Office).

Sharing and caring has proved to be beneficial to those participating. If you have the disease (soft tissue arthritis) or know of someone who does, plan on attending.

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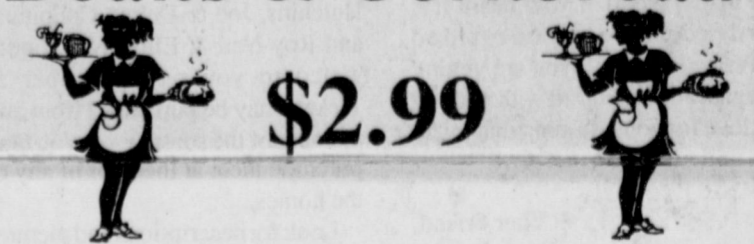
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NEWS

By
LINDA MERRITT
Activity Director

We celebrated the residents birthdays Wednesday night. Those who have birthdays this month are Winnie Walton, June Culvahouse, Myrtle Wilson, Myrtle Owen and Falba Shofner. Everyone enjoyed the fine singing but one lady in particular Winnie Walton was so very proud and happy to have her daughter and son-in-law provide the entertainment for us.

Deen Haddox was proud to find out from her daughter, Debbie Griswold, that she had a new great-granddaughter, Brianna Faith Haddox. She was born Sunday, November 8, to Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Haddox of Killeen. Deen was asked how many great's this makes her and she said she could not count that high and smiled. This makes her 6th great-grandchild.

Appreciation to Richard Wilson for the sweet potatoes. Ruby Harrell was our winner for a free meal at Jack's Place. Thanks Wanda and Jack.

Barbara Powell from Rising Star visited with Novella Barton.

Wayne Lenz visited with Sylvia Smith.

J.W. and Maxine Sneed from Azle visited Mildred Ford.

Eddie, Cindy and Ryan McAnally

from Snyder visited Ed McAnally.

Carol Owen from Austin, Trey Billrey from Rising Star, Sandy and Mandy Clevinger from Lago Vista, Alice Lockhart from Austin, Tricia, Russell, Shanon and Kenzie Lockhart from Cedar Park, Susan, Gary, Jason and Jenna Lockhart from Austin visited with Myrtle Owen.

Activities during the week were:
Monday: Bingo winners were Falba Shofner, Nash Tucker, Alpha Wilson, Vera Belyeu, Howet Wilson, Minnie Swann, Louise Richardson and Ruby Harrell. Exercise class.

Tuesday: Sing-a-long with Bob Wallace. Popcorn social.

Wednesday: Art class. Exercise class. Skip-Bo games.

Thursday: Bingo winners were Alpha Wilson (2), Ruby Harrell, Falba Shofner (2), Minnie Swann, Louise Richardson, Vera Belyeu and Nash Tucker. Bean bag toss.

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

Sunday: Cottonwood Baptist Church.

He who receives a blessing should never forget it; he who bestows a blessing should never remember it.

Clips, Quips & Comments

By KAY DENNIS MOSLEY

After such a hot dry summer, I'm kind of predicting a cold, long winter. On what do I base this prediction? On a scientific fact, "pure old intuition."

In 1983, while living in Lubbock, we encountered and managed to survive a 15 inch snowstorm. You can't imagine unless you've also encountered one.

Marvin, a mechanic, couldn't even reach his place of employment after driving there until the snow was cleared from the parking lot with a front end loader.

There was no school and many businesses were closed due to the fact they didn't want employees injured trying to get to work.

It was quite an experience just trying to get to the grocery store. You passed many cars that had not made it due to having slid off the road. Also a number of cars were stuck in snowdrifts and had to be dug

out with shovels.

A lot of people from other states experience far more severe storms, and much colder, more frigid winters and don't seem to think too much about it. Well, as for me, they're very welcome to all that cold, I don't want it at all.

The bank where I was employed in Lubbock had a tradition, when it snowed; we had popcorn. That was a tradition we really liked. Gave you something to look forward to and to enjoy before that long, cold, ice and snow encrusted drive home after work...Not to mention freezing your uh-huh off out there scraping all that ice and snow and what have you off your windshield before setting off to brave the traffic on your way homeward.

Fond (frozen) old memories but I think I like the winters here mucho better. In fact I know I do. Til later!

TRIAD News

By Kay Mosley

Does this sound familiar? You have won a fantastic prize -- and all you have to do is -- buy these vitamins, buy three magazine subscriptions, or purchase books, place an order for our product, or pay a fee to claim your prize!

Those are just a few of the lines used by criminals to defraud trusting citizens of their money. If you are age 50 or over, you are more apt to be approached by some of these unscrupulous thieves.

Sometimes they may call you on the telephone, contact you by mail or even come to your door.

They may use any number of approaches or scams. They may tell you that you can donate to their charity and win a grand vacation or other prize. Some even call and pretend to be the police and ask for a donation, however, be advised that the police do not call citizens on the telephone and ask for money not even for donations. Not EVER! Many times they may pretend to offer you a great opportunity to buy merchandise at a fabulously low cost to you, "if" you will just give them your bank account number NOW!!

Never, repeat "NEVER" give out your bank account number nor your credit card number over the telephone. Refuse to be "rushed" into

anything. The more a caller tries to hurry you into buying something or sending money, the more likely he or she is up to criminal activities.

DON'T pay for a free prize. FREE is FREE! If the caller tells you the payment is for taxes on the prize you won, he or she has violated federal law.

The Callahan County TRIAD/S.A.L.T. Advisory Council brings this information to you as a courtesy. We hope this type of information will enable you to avoid the heart-ache, embarrassment and hardship experienced following being cheated by someone who "pretends" to act in our best interest. It is very easy to be taken in by someone whom we believe to be a friend. If their pitch sounds too good to be true, it probably is. If you suspect someone is attempting to defraud you call your local law enforcement so this can be checked out, or call the Texas State Attorney General's office in Austin, or the Better Business Bureau in Abilene right away.

More information on this and other similar subjects will be broached in future TRIAD NEWS article. Watch for it! A reminder, TRIAD consists of local seniors (AARP members), and local law enforcement (your police chief) and county law enforcement (Callahan County Sheriff). These individuals are all residents of Callahan County; several are Cross Plains residents.



ATTENDING THE DISTRICT VIII GARDEN CLUB MEETING IN SNYDER —from left Barbara Powell, Ava Tollett, Ray Dodd, Allison Wilson, Kay Mosley and Julene Franke.

C.P. Garden Club Members Attend Snyder District Meeting

By BARBARA POWELL
Reporter

Saturday, November 7th, six members of the Cross Plains Garden Club attended the District VIII meeting held at the Western Texas College Student Center in Snyder. Attending were; President, Julene Franke; 1st Vice President, Kay Mosley; Treasurer, Barbara Powell; Ava Tollett, Ray Dodd and Allison Wilson.

A Continental Breakfast was served followed by the District VIII Business Meeting.

Lunch was held at the Martha Ann Women's Club. The theme of the fall meeting was "Birds and Blooms." The Birds and Blooms

theme was carried out in the table decorations. Each table had a center decor of a bird house and potted pansies.

The program was given by Sue Travis of Snyder. Ms. Travis is a talented designer who works with silk as well as fresh flowers. She shared techniques along with information on materials she used. All of us felt we had learned a great deal from Ms. Travis' interesting and informative program.

All of the guests were given a potted pansy. Ray Dodd and myself were lucky and each of us won a beautiful bird house. We were thrilled.

All of us had a wonderful time and we're ready to go again.

COTTONWOOD NEWS

By
BEVERLY BROWN

The Cottonwood Quilting Club will hold their monthly Cottonwood Musical on Friday, November 20, at the local community center. Country-western music entertainment will be emceed by "Smokey" Callaway, beginning at 6:30 p.m. Refreshments will be on sale in the cafeteria commencing at 5:30 p.m. All area and surrounding musicians are cordially invited to participate on the evening program.

A Thanksgiving fellowship dinner will be held on Sunday, November 22, following the morning worship services at the Cottonwood Baptist Church. Please bring a covered dish for the noon meal.

Teri Brown and Gilbert Ibarra of Houston were here visiting with her

parents Wayne and Beverly Brown over the weekend. On Saturday Maxine and Jay Sneed of Azle visited with the family and Mildred Ford in the Colonial Oaks Nursing Home.

Willie Nickerson of the Austin area and Porcius Potter of Denton Valley visited on Sunday with their grandparents, Bill and Dena Nickerson.

The Wednesday night prayer services at the Cottonwood Baptist Church will be held on Tuesday, November 24, due to the Thanksgiving holiday weekend. The date has been moved up and services will be at 7:00 p.m.

The Junior Youth Group services are cancelled until December 2nd.

MA & PA

By JAMES NICHOLS

When H.T. was a grown young man, he made a trip to Hot Springs, Arkansas. He knew that he had relatives there, but did not go to visit them.

On three different occasions various natives of Hot Springs would speak to H.T. and call him "George." H.T. decided to investigate and learn who this fellow might be, since they obviously looked so much alike.

This fellow turned out to be a cousin. H.T. stayed on to visit for over a month. George made H.T.

feel right at home and permitted him to sample his wares at the corn whiskey still. H.T. reported the whiskey and fishing were both excellent.

At the end of H.T.'s visit, he wrote to Ma to let her know he was coming home. He caught a freight train the same day that he mailed the letter.

A few days later, Ma was reading the mail and stated to Pa, "H.T. is coming home." Pa replied, "He is in the back bedroom asleep."

H.T. had beat his own letter home.

PIONEER NEWS

By PIONEER QUILTING CLUB

Cowan and Laverne Hutton's visitors during the past week was their son and wife, Lynn and Pam and their children and Trisha and Anthony. Laverne had a little visit with Dorothy Mitchell. They enjoyed "quilt talk" together. Thursday night and Friday, Pat and Dudley Cash from Portales, New Mexico, visited with Cowan and Laverne. Monday Laverne and Earlene Burge spent the afternoon in Eastland and Cisco.

J.D. and Sandy Hutton hosted a neighborhood fish fry when their friends Randy Bullard and Neil Carrol from Houston came down and generously brought and cooked fresh gulf shrimp and red snapper. Those enjoying the fish fry were Cowan and Laverne Hutton; Danny and Trisha, Robert and Anthony; Lynn and Pam, Samantha and Scott; Jerry and Elizabeth Hunsacker; and Dorthie and Fred Zedlitz. Randy and Neil had lunch with Cowan and

Laverne Saturday.

The quilting club is working on the rehab "Tulip" quilt. It just might come out this week. We are also working on an "Irish Chain" belonging to Trisha Hutton. We had some quilters out on Tuesday due to illness. Hope they are "up and at em" by now. We missed you all.

Don't forget this Thursday is domino party night. We always have a lot of fun and good snacks. Come on out and join us.

"Buffaloes," thank you for a good football season. We are very proud of your efforts. We are also proud of the Cross Country teams that went to regional. Now we turn to basketball. We will all be watching and supporting you.

Words of Wisdom #55: People who want milk should not seat themselves on a stool in the middle of a field in hope that a cow will back up to them. by Elbert Hubbard

KIM

Weeks, Wendall Farmer and Pat Haley.

The goal of the nutrition project is to provide a hot, nutritious meal to seniors of Callahan County Monday through Friday. Meals on wheels provide for those who are home-bound.

"I'm very excited about working with the seniors of Callahan County and helping them out in any way I possibly can," remarked Kim. The Callahan Nutrition Project headquarters is on the 3rd Floor of the Callahan County Courthouse, Suite

302, Baird, (915) 854-1277.

She has six years working experience including office manager knowledge and computer skills. Kim was involved with Junior League in Abilene, United Way of Abilene, school activities and is a member of Nimrod Baptist Church.

Her husband Jason is employed by Friendship Cable in Eastland. The couple reside in the Nimrod Community and have three children, Ashley age 5, Shayla 4 and Tyler 4 months.

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The home -- "where families live" -- is a very important facet of society. "Home" has been defined several different ways. A little boy said: "It's where we eat all we can hold." A teenager said: "It's where you go between midnight and daybreak when everything else is closed." Some adults' idea of the home and family doesn't add very much quality to the definition. It's sort of like Robert Arnott says: "The typical characteristic of today's homes is that they have degenerated into efficiently run hotels. Members of the family can drop in, have a shower, eat a quick meal, and rush off their separate ways with scarcely a word for the other members of the family." Now this may not be the way we think it ought to be, but isn't it the way homes turn out all too often?

One reason it's as much this way as it is, is because we in the United States are so mobile. In spite of all the conveniences of modern transportation, I wonder if we wouldn't be better off, for the sake of family life at least, if we were back to the "horse and buggy"?

I believe it is very important for "family life" to be saved. God began it as the best training ground for society. Let us not turn it into the destruction of society. It would be much better if the clear definition of home was: "Where a world of strife is shut out and a world of joy is shut in" -- or, "A father's kingdom, a mother's world, and child's paradise" or, "Home is the beginner's heaven, with kind words and warm hearts, happiness and devotion. It is the vestibule to heaven."

Come share with us in spiritual family life, "home away from home," another "vestibule to heaven."

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

Friends & Neighbors Caring In Jesus

C.P. STUDENT REVIEW

CPISD Board of Trustees to meet November 19

The Board of Trustees of the Cross Plains School District will hold a regular meeting tonight (Nov. 19) at 7:00 p.m. at the Cross Plains High School Building, faculty work room.

The following agenda will be followed:

1. PRAYER
2. MINUTES
3. STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION ACCOMMODATION
4. OPEN FORUM
5. 1998 AUDIT REPORT
6. AMEND 1998/99 SCHOOL BUDGET
7. DISCUSS AND TAKE ACTION ON COMPUTERS

8. DISCUSS AND TAKE ACTION ON SCHOOL BUS
9. DISCUSS AND APPROVE CREDIT BY EXAM
10. DISCUSS AND TAKE ACTION ON USE OF COMPUTER LAB
11. REVIEW AND APPROVE IPM PROGRAM
12. DISCUSS AND TAKE ACTION ON BIDS FOR SCHOOL VEHICLES
13. APPROVE UPDATE 59
14. EXECUTIVE SESSION (IF NEEDED)
15. PAY BILLS/FINANCIAL REPORT
16. ADJOURN

H. S. senior scholarship competition

KERRVILLE—Applications for scholarships in the arts have been mailed to accredited high schools throughout Texas. The competition is open to any high school senior student, under age 21, enrolled in an accredited Texas high school. The applicant must plan to continue their studies in an accredited college or specialty school. Deadline to submit the application is February 1, 1999.

Three scholarships in the amount of \$1,000, \$750 and \$500 respectively are awarded. Merit recognition is also given. A student may enter in the following categories: fiber, glass, graphics/drawing, jewelry, leather, metal, mixed media, painting, photography, pottery, sculpture or wood.

In addition to the scholarships, the winning works are displayed during the Official Texas State Arts and Crafts Fair in Kerrville. This event will be held May 28-31, 1999, on Schreiner College campus. Only carefully selected Texas artisans who produce original handmade works are on site. For more information, contact your local high school, TACEF, P.O. Box 1527, Kerrville, TX 78029-1527 or web site www.tacef.org.

Farm Bureau Elects New Officers

Newly elected officers of the Callahan-Shackelford County Farm Bureau for 1998 are: David Williams, President; of Baird, Sam Snyder, V-President; of Moran, and Allen Wilson, Secretary-Treasurer; of Baird. Other board of directors include: Gaylon Johnson and Jim Butler, Moran; Randall Franke and H.T. Gleason, Jr. Clyde; Brad Petree, Albany; and Joe McWilliams, Cross Plains.

Farm Bureau Membership Increases to 1,334

The membership total for Callahan-Shackelford County Farm Bureau as of October 31, 1998, was 1,334 member families. This was a gain of thirty-two over last year's total of 1,302, according to David Williams, county president.

The state membership total as of October 31, 1998, was 312,836 for a gain of 1,313 members.

Texas Farm Bureau is affiliated nationally with the American Farm Bureau Federation, which has more than 4 million member families in 2,800 counties across the United States.

The American Cancer Society's Great American Smokeout Today

On November 19, the American Cancer Society's 22nd Great American Smokeout will help millions of smokers kick the habit, and help youth understand the importance of never starting to smoke.

The Great American Smokeout promotion is the American Cancer Society's annual, nationally recognized day when we ask smokers to put down their cigarettes, cigars, spit tobacco, or any tobacco product because they all have the potential to cause cancer. Because we know that approximately 32 million smokers (out of 47 million current smokers) want to quit smoking completely, we will continue to offer support and education to the public. The promise of an addiction-free life has encouraged many smokers to join in and prove to themselves that they can live a day without cigarettes, and that they can therefore live the rest of their lives without them. In 1997, 24% of smokers participated in our Great American Smokeout (approximately 11,280,000 people), and of those participants, 19% reported that they were smoking less or not at all one to five days later. That's over two million people who are well on their way to healthier, smoke-free lives, thanks to the American Cancer Society.

The Great American Smokeout is not just about adult smokers and cessation. As the times change and our understanding of the addictive cycle of nicotine increases, we're working to prevent children from

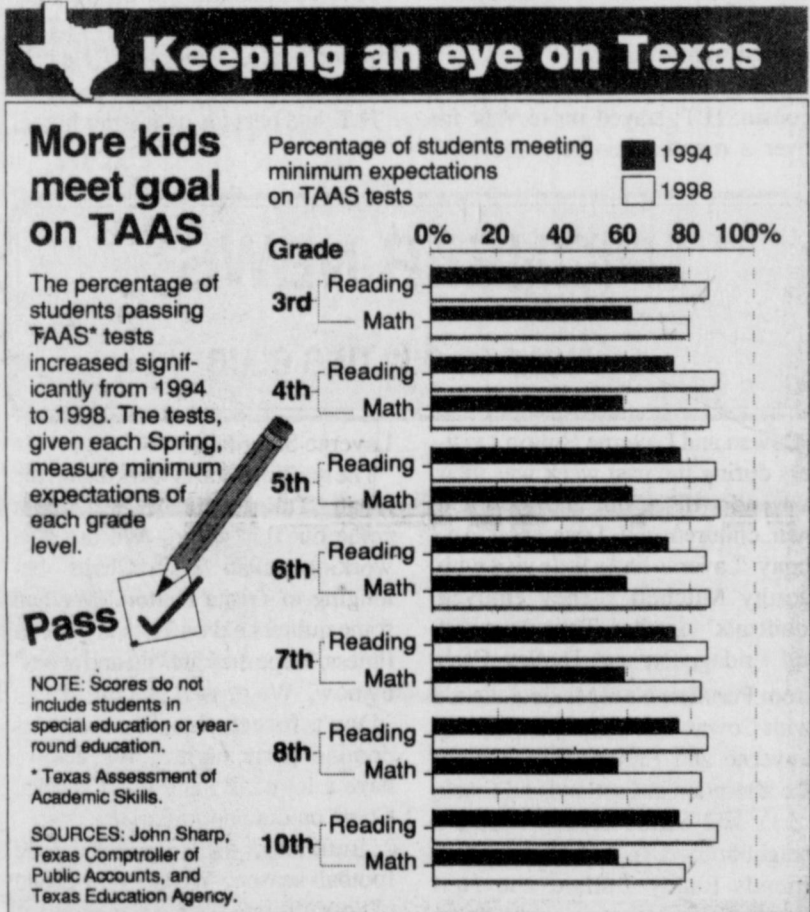
ever becoming smokers. More than 80% of current adult smokers started before they were 18 years old. That's why the Great American Smokeout is also focusing on promotions that will communicate to our children the social disadvantages of smoking, and provide them with the tools to recognize and avoid negative social influences.

Everyone can participate in the Great American Smokeout - it's really quite simple. Smokeout events can be held in malls, schools, businesses, restaurants, military bases, hospitals, and colleges across the entire country. If you're a smoker, decide that on November 19, you will put your cigarettes down for good. Quitting won't be easy, but by preparation, determination, and some assistance, it can be done. And if you're not a smoker but want to get involved by joining the American Cancer Society in promoting the Great American Smokeout, or if you are helping a loved one quit, there's a place for you too during Smokeout.

To find out more about Great American Smokeout or to receive the free "Quit Now, Here's How" quit kit, contact your local American Cancer Society, or call 1-800-ACS-2345. Our Cancer Information Specialists can assist you by providing up-to-date information, the quit kit, a list of smoking cessation programs in your area, or the location of your closest American Cancer Society office. The American Cancer Society is also on the World Wide Web (www.cancer.org).

Athletic Boosters Meet

The Athletic Boosters will meet every Monday at 6:30 p.m. in the gym foyer. Come and be a Buffalo and Lady Buff supporter. It takes everyone to make it work. Memberships are \$5.00 a year. We will be selling memberships at every home game.



Stenholm Accepting Intern Applications

WASHINGTON, D.C.—Congressman Charlie Stenholm is now accepting applications from college students and educators interested in participating in the 1999 Omar Burleson Internship Program in Washington, D.C.

Completed applications must be submitted in person or postmarked by January 8, 1999, to be considered. Interns are selected to work in the Congressman's Washington office for one month intervals in June or July. Interns are involved in the daily operation of the Congressman's office and will assist the legislative staff and help research constituent inquiries.

The internship program is open to teachers, educators, and college students registered to vote in the 17th Congressional District, or students

attending other universities whose home of record is within the 17th District. The interns are paid a \$1,000 stipend to apply toward basic living and travel expenses.

Intern applications and information can be obtained by contacting Elaine Talley in the Abilene district office at 915-673-7221, from Congressman Stenholm's web page (www.house.gov/stenholm), or by writing Mr. Raymond McDaniel, Jr., Chairman, Intern Selection Committee, P.O. Box 543, Abilene, Texas 79604.

Applications are due by January 8, 1999. They will be forwarded to the Selection Committee who will notify finalists by February 19, 1999. Interviews will be held in Abilene on March 13, 1999, and selections will be made at that time.

Farm Credit Bank Reports Strong Third Quarter Financial Results

AUSTIN—The Farm Credit Bank of Texas (FCBT) and its affiliated lending associations reported strong third quarter financial results, highlighted by record loan volume for the 81-year history of the lending cooperative.

Loans outstanding totaled \$4.256 billion at September 30, 1998, up from \$4.046 billion at December 31, 1997. This growth in loan volume is due primarily to a \$197.1 million increase in the long-term mortgage portfolio since year-end 1997. Loan credit quality remained high with overall acceptable credit quality for the same period in 1997. Net income for the quarter ended September 30, 1998, totaled \$19.4 million. Contributing to the bank's strong financial results was a \$9.9 million increase in net interest income for the nine months ended September 30, 1998, compared with the same period of 1997.

"The bank's strong financial performance this year can be attributed primarily to competitive loan pricing, strong marketing efforts, continuing demand for rural real estate and a buoyant general economy across the South," said Arnold Henson, FCBT chief executive officer.

"Although drought earlier this year and low commodity prices have affected many of our customers, these conditions have not yet had a significant impact on our loan portfolio. However, we remain concerned about the longer-term effects on our stockholders," Henson said. "Tenth Farm Credit District leaders are continuing to work with federal and state officials to secure both long- and short-term alternatives to enhance the viability of agricultural producers."

The bank and its affiliated Federal Land Bank Associations and Production Credit Associations reported assets totaling \$4.7 billion at September 30, 1998. Together, these lending cooperatives comprise the Tenth Farm Credit District, the largest lending organization serving the states of Alabama, Louisiana, Mississippi, New Mexico and Texas.

Nationally, the Farm Credit System reported combined net income of \$342 million and \$1.008 billion for the three and nine months ended September 30, 1998, respectively. This compares with combined net income of \$328 million and \$935 million for the same periods in 1997.

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Gingerbread Tree At Citizens State Bank Begins December 4

The Chamber of Commerce wishes to remind citizens of Cross Plains and surrounding communities that the "Gingerbread Tree" will be at Citizens State Bank beginning December 4.

The tree this year carries out the theme of Christmas Village with gingerbread men decorations on the tree. Each gingerbread man will bear the number of a girl or boy, school age through 6th grade. Each man will have the age of the child and a wish list (things the child needs or would like) on the back, as this will make purchasing a gift much easier, or you may donate money to help purchase a gift for a child. These children are from families who need help during the Christmas season to make their child's Christmas a brighter one.

People are urged to go by Citizens State Bank, beginning December 4, and pick one or more gingerbread men and help a needy child this Christmas season. Local organizations and churches can also make donations to these children if they wish.

So this Christmas season, if you are able, please find it in your heart to help out a needy child, it will make your Christmas merrier and the life of a child's too.

The Chamber of Commerce would like to take this opportunity to thank each and everyone in advance for their help and support. All donations are greatly appreciated. May God bless you and yours this Christmas Season.



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Home of Vondal & Joyce Hutchins a family affair

One of the most spectacular views in all of Callahan County awaits you as you tour this home of Vondal and Joyce Hutchins! Built of native stone from Palo Pinto County, this split level home sets high atop a hill from which one can see the mountains near Admiral, Interstate 20, Cisco, and the reflection of lights from Abilene.

This home has been a "family affair" with many family members participating. The wood work on the kitchen bar was crafted by their son. Brothers George and David assisted in the building of the house.

Beautiful kitchens of hickory are worthy of note, while the open living/dining/kitchen area is surrounded by glass to take in the view -- and a cozy woodburning stove adds to the ambiance.

The downstairs area is built partially underground with one room a complete storm cellar. Have you ever seen window wells? Natural light streams into the downstairs bedrooms through this source.

Joyce terms herself "a collector." Two such collections are of snowmen and nativity sets - among others! This home will be decorated for the Christmas holidays to the fullest! A gorgeous Lone Star quilt is displayed on the guest bedroom bed and was done by Joyce and the Sabanno Quilting Club.

Even though Vondal grew up in this area, they moved here from San Antonio. They have a very exciting story to add to all the "tornado stories" of this area. They had been here for the weekend working on the house and had returned from attending the Atwell Memorial Day services when "the tornado" struck. The roof was blown totally off the house and the couple spent that frightening time in the already completed storm shelter on the bottom floor of the house! So, after the storm, it was time to start over. They actually moved into the completed home in 1996.

Mary Ann Chaffin



HOME OF MICHAEL & ILLA GILLIAM

Home of Michael & Ila Gilliam featured in "Tour of Homes" Saturday, December 5

A large billy goat will likely greet you from across the road as you arrive, but drive down the lane to this lovely brick home built in 1993 and notice the rock work outlining the front yard which has been done by Ila GILLIAM. This four bedroom, three quarter home depicts the living quarters of a family with four boys! Michael designed the house for wife, Ila, and four sons, Cole, Jeremy, Brandon and Lance.

The living/dining area is large, light and open and features an oak entertainment center built into one wall. The efficient kitchen has many time-saving features and a large walk-in pantry. The ceramic tile floor was laid by Ila, with the help of her brother and sister... all 368 sq.

ft. of it," Ila added.

If one doesn't know this house is home to football players, one doesn't notice one of the bathrooms! And the shower curtain has been designed with #73 and #22 - numbers of the football jerseys of Brandon and Jeremy... "Buff Tuff" was displayed prominently too.

One of the bedrooms is decorated in Western motif, but the interesting room is the laundry room. Notwithstanding its many handy and unique features, Ila says, "With a husband and four boys, this is the only room that is entirely mine. So I painted it PINK!"

Submitted by Mary Ann Chaffin

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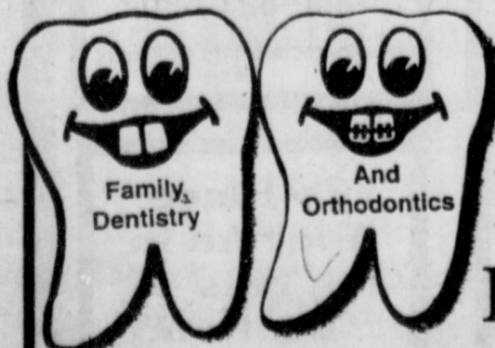
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DATED October 23, 1998, and issued pursuant to a judgment decree of the District Court of Callahan County, Texas, by the Clerk of said Court on said date in a certain suit No. T-970, and styled City of Baird vs. Remegio Gomez, and to me directed and delivered as Sheriff of said Court, I have on October 23, 1998, seized, levied upon, and will on the first Tuesday in December, 1998, the same being the 1st day of said month at the Courthouse door of said County, in the City of Baird, between the hours of 10:00 o'clock P.M. on said day, proceed to sell for cash to the highest bidder all of the right, title, and interest of the defendants in such suit in and to the following described real estate levied upon as the property of said defendants, the same lying and being situated in the County of Callahan and the State of Texas, to-wit: Lots 3 & 4, Block 31, Original Townsite, located in the City of Baird, Callahan County, Texas being that property more particularly described and assessed on the tax rolls of this jurisdiction, or upon the written request of said defendants or their attorney, a sufficient portion thereof to satisfy said judgment for delinquent property taxes and accrued penalties and interest and costs of suit and sale; subject, however, to the right of redemption, the defendants or any person having an interest therein, to redeem the said property, or their interest therein, within the period of time and in the manner provided by law, and subject to any other and further rights to which the defendants or anyone interested therein may be entitle, under the provisions of law. Said sale to be made by me to satisfy the judgment for delinquent property taxes and accrued penalties and interest rendered in the above styled and numbered cause, together with interest thereon and costs of suit and sale, and the proceeds of said sale to be applied to the satisfaction thereof, and the remainder, if any, to be applied as the law directs.

DATED October 23, 1998, at Baird, Texas

By (s) Eddie Curtis SHERIFF, Callahan County, Texas

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We would like to take this opportunity to thank all of our consignors and buyers at Tuesday's Special Stocker and Feeder Sale.

1556 head offered
A large number of buyers were present from across the state which made for a very active market. Quality choice on most classes offered from the Central and West Texas area which attributed to aggressive bidding. The sale was one of the most positive psychological boosts for the cattle industry in our area in recent months.

Results of Special Stocker and Feeder Sale:
Champion Exotic - Sam Sparger - De Leon
Exotic Reserve - Richard Hayes, Jr. - Comanche
Champion English - Joe S. Scott - Ranger
Reserve English - J. Parker Stock Farms - Early
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The market was active on choice calves and yearlings with good buyer attendance on our Special Calf and Yearling Sale. Choice steer calves weighing 500# and lighter sold \$7 to \$13 higher with 500# and heavier steers selling steady to \$3 higher. Choice heifers sold \$1 to \$5 higher on 500# and lighter, and steady on the heavier heifers. Yearling steers and heifers sold steady to \$2 lower. Choice replacement heifers continued selling in good demand. Slaughter cows and bulls sold steady with pairs and bred cows selling steady. A special thanks to our consignors for bringing good calves and yearlings to Brownwood, and thanks to the many buyers for the strong bidding.

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The market is very good so if you have some cattle to sell you may want to consider selling them now the competitive way at Jordan Cattle Auction. Sale on Tuesday at 11:00 A.M. Give the Jordan's a call at 915-646-7591 if we can be of assistance. There will be no sale on Tuesday, November 24th, in observance of the Thanksgiving Holidays.

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WINNERS OF THE BETA SIGMA PHI HALLOWEEN COSTUME CONTEST—from left 3rd place Nora Odom (Monica Lewinski), 2nd place Cathy Wood (Pilgrim) and 1st place winner Jan Baker (Spider Woman).

Beta Sigma Phi Tour of Homes to Coincide with Town Christmas

By NORA ODOM

Beta Sigma Phi's annual TOUR OF HOMES was the main item on the agenda at our monthly business meeting held November 9, at the home of Dora Price-Warlick with Nora Odom as hostess.

Sara Brashear, committee chairman, reported that there will be six homes on our Christmas Tour of Homes, Saturday, December 5th, 4:00-7:00 p.m. They include the homes of Joe and Delma Coppinger, James and Paulette Foster, Nathan and Louise Foster, Michael and Ila GiHiam, Vondal and Joyce Hutchins, and Roy Neil and Ellowayne Tatom. Look for articles describing these lovely homes. Tickets may be purchased from any

BSP member at \$6.00 for adults and children.

Service and hospitality chairman Kelly Lafoon reported that we have received the canned foods from the Boy Scouts for our annual Thanksgiving and Christmas food baskets. We want to thank Cross Plains Frozen Foods and the Boy Scouts for all their help.

Mary Ann Blair was our guest for the evening. Members attending were Elizabeth Hunsaker, Joyce McCoy, Mary Ann Chaffin, Bobbie Johnston, Kelly Lafoon, Jamie Apple, Pam Cummings, Debi Bennett, Lovera Strickland, Addie Walker, Sarah Brashear, Janice Phillips, Wanda Merryman and Nora Odom.



RECEIVING AWARD—The city of Cross Plains recently received an Award Certificate for hosting a Rural Resource Team in February of 1998. Cheryl Hinckley (left), executive director of TRDC, presented the certificate to Denise Coulter (right), executive director of the Cross Plains EDC, Inc., at the annual Texas Rural Development Council meeting in Salado October 28. While at the meeting Denise Coulter served on a panel that explained the process required to host a Rural Resource Team and discussed the benefits of a team visit. The report prepared by the Rural Resource team is still available to all interested citizens. Contact Denise Coulter at 254-725-6397.

WINTER DRIVING IS JUST AROUND THE CORNER--TxDOT PROVIDES TIPS

ABILENE—Halloween is over and we are reminded that winter is just around the corner. Even in the state's most moderate climates, winter can mean bad weather and bad driving conditions. And while driving in winter weather can be risky, a few precautions can make it safer.

Brenda Mitchell, traffic safety coordinator for the Abilene district of the Texas Department of Transportation, reminds us that while winter conditions don't cause collisions, they can turn small mistakes into serious ones.

"Accelerating, braking, and cornering all demand extra control on snow and ice," she said. "Even more important is your ability to anticipate problems, so you don't lose control in the first place."

Mitchell offers these simple rules of winter driving, to significantly reduce your chances of having an accident.

- **Traction tips**--Vehicles can take four to 10 times further to stop on ice than on dry pavement. In addition, ice reduces the ability to steer. Cut speed by two-thirds on ice.

- **Braking**--Good tire tread and chains will help you brake safely on ice. So will cutting your speed. Ice and snow can cause brakes to lock and a vehicle to skid. Pump your brakes when stopping on ice and snow. When the brakes are on, they slow the vehicle. When off, you can steer better.

- **Get the big picture**--You're asking for disaster by trying to drive while peering through a peephole through an icy windshield. Scrape and wipe off ice and fog from all your windows before hitting the road.

- **Position is everything**--Don't park on the shoulder except in an emergency. When pavement markings are covered by snow, other drivers can mistake the shoulder for a driving lane. If you must park on the shoulder, use your emergency lights.

- **Steering out of trouble**--Excessive braking on ice and snow can cause your brakes to lock. To restore control, take your foot off the brake pedal and let the front wheels roll again. Steer in the direction you want to go.

- **Take it easy**--Keep a steady speed as you approach bridges--don't accelerate or decelerate. Bridges are often icy even when the rest of the road is clear.

- **Check your tires**--Good tires with firm tread provide good. Don't let air out of your tires to improve traction. Properly inflated tires get a better bite on the road and improve your ability to steer.

Remember, driving on ice and snow is a real challenge for any driver. Stay in control of your vehicle, anticipate problems, and drive defensively. These rules of winter driving will help you stay safe in any kind of weather.

A good thing to remember is that winter storms can be fierce and can strike with surprising speed. And being prepared for the worst can save your time and trouble--and it might even save your life.

When bad weather threatens, the best thing to do is often just stay off the road. But if you must drive, check the forecast before you hit the road. Also, make sure you and your car are ready for bad weather. Be sure that your ignition, battery, lights, and brakes are all in proper working order. You should also check your car's wiper blades, anti-freeze, fuel and exhaust systems, and your heater/defroster.

Mitchell also stated that keeping a "survival kit" in your trunk is a wise idea. Such a kit might include safety flares, a blanket, warm clothing, a window scraper and snow brush, a set of jumper cables, a flashlight and fresh batteries, a first-aid kit, a sleeping bag, a tow strap or chain, a sleeping bag, and dry matches or a lighter.

When driving in bad weather is unavoidable, tell people when you expect to leave, when you expect to arrive, and the route you plan to travel. Then, stick to your plan. If you become stranded, stay with your vehicle. TxDOT crews, Texas Department of Public Safety troopers and other emergency workers watch for stranded motorists. Run your engine for a few minutes periodically to keep it warm. Crack a window for ventilation, layer with clothes and blankets or sleeping bag, and huddle together for warmth.

The TxDOT official concluded by saying, "Following these tips can make for a safer and more pleasant winter driving experience."

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