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Down Home

EDITOR'S NOTE: Curtis Bullard, a resident of the Cottonwood Community, has been in service to the Lord for over fiftyone years. His poems have been utilized in the ministry, Sunday school classes and Bible classes for teaching purposes. He contributes writings to Bible colleges of various faiths. "I am a representative and teacher of the Apostle's doctrine. I have long been a student of church and Bible history," Mr. Bullard notes. He has written a book entitled What Shall Be in Future Times which summarizes the book of Revelations. The following is one of his many creations. Vanda Anderson-Creech

"A Place Called Paradise"

By CURTIS G. BULLARD

Heaven is a place we all desire to go when we die.

It's a place of great beauty, where the angels live, Jesus also. For heaven there is another name;

it's called Paradise. Only truth will reign there; that's

where I want to go.

That great river of life will terminate there.

From the Garden of Eden it flows, through the days of Noah, Moses

The capitol of heaven is the New Jerusalem, Four Squares.

The Light of God will be brighter than day, no darkness you'll see.

No hunger, thirst or cares of life

will be found there. No sorrows, no heartaches, no

burdens and tears. We can speak to the prophets, the

apostles and angels so fair. We can stand before God and see

him without fear.

In this paradise the glory of God will be everywhere!

We can hear the angels sing and understand all mysteries.

No disappointments of life, no evil will be found there.

I want to talk to Jesus, take a long walk, just Jesus and me.

I want to see my loved ones, that I loved here below.

In the center of that Jerusalem, I want to see that tree of life.

I want to understand all things, all

the things I don't know.

All these things will happen, in a place called Paradise.

Colonial Oaks Services

Cornerstone Church will conduct worship services at Colonial Oaks Nursing Home on Sunday, September 26, commencing at 3:30 p.m.

Social Security Representative Schedule Told

A representative from the Social Security Administration in Abilene will be at the Commissioners Courtroom, 2nd Floor of the Eastland County Courthouse on Tuesday, October 20, November 23 and December 21 at 9:30 a.m. for your convenience.

You may call Social Security tollfree any weekday from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. 1-800-772-1213.

Barbarian **Festival** Committee Summarizes the Success of 1st **Annual Event**

All members of the Festival Committee considered the first Cross Plains Barbarian Festival and Cook-Off held September 3-4, a huge success. The day began with a huge parade through the newly landscaped downtown area. The parade boasted almost 30 entrants; with everything from a large motorcycle club to a stagecoach pulled by six Labrador Retrievers. There were a large number of antique and classic cars entered in the parade and many car entrants expressed a desire to come back next year with their entire car clubs.

After the parade, the activities moved to the Festival Grounds at Treadaway Park. Over 500 people entered the festival area and viewed 25 vendor booths. There were unique items for sales, as well as food and drink for all.

The Day Stage provided entertainment throughout the morning and afternoon as well as announcements of the winners of various competitions held throughout the festival.

There were seven participants in the Cook-off that was sanctioned by the Lone Star Barbecue Society.

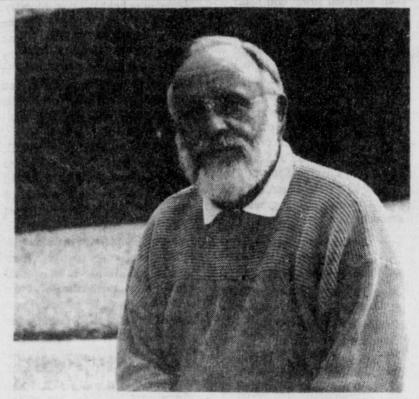
The Cross Plains Roping Club hosted a dance Saturday evening with over 300 in attendance. All there enjoyed the music of the award-winning band Southern Cross.

The Festival Committee met on Tuesday, September 7, and discussed all aspects of the event and began making plans for next year's festival. Members of the committee first reviewed comments of festival participants, vendors and cook-off teams. All expressed a positive view, with several commenting that this was the best first year event they had ever attended. One of the items mentioned as being "the best" about this festival was the location. Everyone involved loved being under the Live Oaks in Treadaway

A date was discussed for next year's festival and it was unanimously agreed upon to have the Barbarian Festival during Labor Day weekend in 2000. Desired improvements include better signage on the highways leading into town, in hopes of attracting more out of town visitors.

The Festival Committee will be meeting on a once a month basis for the next few months. The upcoming meeting is set for September 28, at Jean's Feed Barn beginning at 6:30 p.m. All interested members of the community are invited. Despite all the hard work, every committee member will testify that it was great fun and new and lasting friendships were formed. Please join us in planning for next year's event.

Submitted by Denise Coulter



CARLTON STOWERS

Popular Author/Journalist Carlton Stowers to Review His Book in Cross Plains

The Cross Plains Public Library invites the community to a book review by the author/journalist Carlton Stowers on Tuesday evening, October 5, at 7:00 p.m. in the Senior Citizens Center on Main

Stowers' books include bestsellers TO THE LAST BREATH and CARELESS WHISPERS, both winners of the Mystery Writers of America's Edgar Allen Poe Award as the Best Fact Crime Book of the Year, INNOCENCE LOST, which was nominated for a Pulitzer, and his autobiographical SINS OF THE SON, which he will review here.

Stowers' books have been selections of the Literary Guild, Mystery Guild, Doubleday Book Club, True Crime Book Club. Preferred Choice Book Club. Playboy Book Club and Guideposts Book Club, and five have been optioned by motion picture production companies. CARELESS WHISPERS inspired the CBS Movie of the Week, "Sworn to Vengeance," and OPEN SECRETS was basis for the ABC mini-series, "Telling Secrets." TO THE LAST BREATH was included in Reader's Digest prestigious Today's Best Non-Fiction collection. His writings have been translated into German, French, Spanish and Russian.

Additionally, he has authored a number of books on sports, ranging from MARCUS, the autobiography NFL great Marcus Allen which spent six weeks on the Los Angeles Times best-seller list, to DALLAS COWBOYS: THE FIRST 25 YEARS, a coffee table-sized history of the high profile organization, which climbed to No. 1 on the Dallas Morning News best-seller list.

As a collaborator, he has worked with western movie icons, Roy Rogers and Dale Evans on their HAPPY TRAILS, Olympic pole vaulter Billy Olson on his REACHING HIGHER, former FBI special Agent Larry Wansley on his FBI UNDERCOVER and private investigator William Dear on his PLEASE ... DON'T KILL ME.

His PARTNERS IN BLUE, a 100year history of the Dallas Police Department received a citation from the Dallas Police Association. He

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Home Games On Friday Night

has written two non-fiction children's books, A HERO NAMED GEORGE and HARD LESSONS, which are used by numerous elementary schools as part of their anti-drug and anti-gang programs.

A former Dallas Morning News reporter, Stowers has written articles for numerous publications, among them Sports Illustrated, Time, People, Good Housekeeping, TV Guide, Money and Paris Match. Recently the 57-year-old author has focused much of his attention on books that examine the cause and effect of crime in America. The Houston Press has called Stowers "the dean of Texas true crime writers," and famed novelist Jonathan Kellerman notes that "when the dust clears, a handful of writers will be recognized as masters of the true crime book. And Carlton Stowers will be at the head of that class."

Stowers has received a variety of national and state awards for his work. A 10-time finalist in the Dallas Press Club competition, he has won seven Katie Awards and four Stephen Philben Awards from the Dallas Bar Association. His CARELESS WHISPERS received the Oppie Award from the Southwestern Booksellers Association in the Reporting category. He was named Dallas' Best Writer by the Dallas Observer and in 1997 was honored as Author of the Year by the Friends of the Duncanville Library. Most recently he received a National Community Network Media Award for Exceptional Merit for an article he wrote on the deadly teen use of heroin in Plano, Texas,

Stowers visited both the Howard House and the library here before writing the article about Howard which appeared in the Houston Chronicle. The community is fortunate that he is returning for the review of SINS OF THE SON. Please make plans attend and meet this exceptional writer.

Crime Stoppers Need Your Assistance in Burglaries

Crime Stoppers is offering a reward for information regarding the property taken from Ensearch Processing, Inc. (approximately 10 miles west on Highway 36) and the home of Davy Crockett (also located on Highway 36). The burglaries occurred approximately one month

A Whirlpool air conditioner/ heater 220 volt window unit and a telephone were taken from Ensearch Processing, Inc.

A 19 inch older model television,

Church Shooting Takes Life of Local Woman's Kin

Word was received here late Thursday afternoon, September 16, of the death of Joey Ennis, age 14. Joey lost his life late Wednesday, September 15, in the church massacre in Fort Worth.

Brownwood Cable Channel 22 showed a photo and brief feature on Joey Thursday evening from 9:00 to 10:00 p.m. Joey's cousin Christopher, also age 14 seated right beside him, survived the shooting.

Among other survivors, Joey leaves behind his mother, Donna, and his grandmother, Gayle Sosebce both of Fort Worth. Mrs. Sosebee is the first cousin of Kay Mosley of Cross Plains. Both Mrs. Mosley and Mrs. Sosebee are nieces of the late Wayne Dennis, longtime resident of this community.

Services for Joey Ennis were scheduled for Monday, September 20, at White Settlement Baptist Church at 3:00 p.m. in Fort Worth.

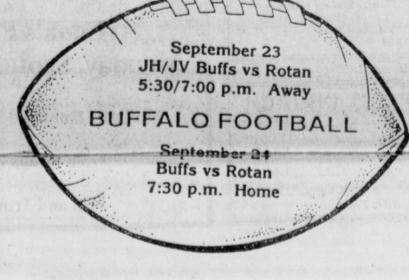
Pioneer Community Tour of Homes

The Community of Pioneer will have a Tour of 5 Country Homes, October 16 from 2 to 6 p.m. Tickets will be \$5 per person. The Pioncer Community Club House that once housed the Pioneer School's ag shop and class room is in need of repair. The money received form the tour of homes and items sold at the country store will be used for repair and upkeep of this building. The country store will be selling all kinds of crafts, jellies, pickles, sewn items and etc. Anyone wishing to donate items for the store can bring them to the Pioneer Club House on any Tuesday before October 16 from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

The homes on tour will be Danny and Trisha Hutton's, D.P. and May Jones', J.D. and Sandy Hutton's, Cowan and Laverne Hutton's and The Fleming Home built in 1901.

Tickets will be available October 16 at the club house or at the homes on tour, or can be purchased before hand from any quilting club mem-

There will also be a FREE quilt and art show at the club house that day from 2 to 6.

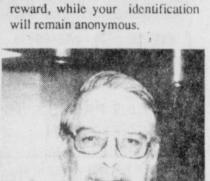


44 inch older model television, sleeping bag (unknown brand), couch (unknown brand) and

the Crockett home. If you have any information that would lead to an indictment in the above described theft, please call (254) 725-7456 or 1-800-252-8477. Your assistance could result in a

window unit air conditioner 110 volt

(unknown brand) were stolen from





CHARLES STEPHENSON

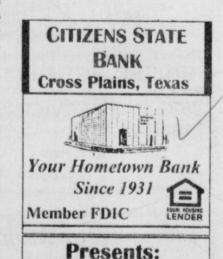
Charles Stephenson on Staff at Cisco **Medical Clinic**

Charles Stephenson, P.A., former Physicians' Assistant at First Med of Cross Plains, will join the staff at Cisco Medical Clinic (Graham Memorial Hospital Bldg.), in a similar capacity on Monday, September 27.

Stephenson has served in various capacities in this area for the past nine years, most recently in the emergency room-of Abilene Regional Medical Center.

He served in the United States Air Force for 23 years, with service in Victnam during that time.

The staff of Cisco Medical Clinic welcomes Charles and invites all former patients and new patients to come by for their medical needs. They are located at 1621 Highway 80 West in Cisco and their phone number is 254-442-3951.



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Leellen Johnson, request for transfer from Callahan Co., Tx. to Wood County, Tx.

Jeremy Duffel, plea of guilty to theft of property by check. 12 months probation, \$150. fine, \$181.25 court costs, \$1224 restitution.

Skyla Giles, plea of guilty to harassment. 6 months probation, \$50 fine, \$189.25 court costs.

Edward Lee Weaver, order revoking probation.

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Sunday School

42nd DISTRICT COURT John Weeks, presiding

Civil Filings Conda F. Odom and Tammy S. Odom, divorce.

Civil Minutes

Tsidgah Teshuah Hawkins, name

Joy Ames and David Joe Ames, divorce granted.

Criminal Minutes

Thornton G. Shackleford, judgment revoking probation.

Vickie Mapes Anderson, order to dismiss for DWI. Case has been

Randall Gene Edwards, plea of guilty to DWI. 6 years probation, \$750 fine, \$234.25 court costs.

Kenneth Wayne Childers, plea of guilty to DWI. 4 years probation, \$750 fine, \$194.50 court costs.

Laurie Lee Newsom, plea of guilty to possession of cocaine. 3 years probation, \$500 fine, \$174.50 court costs, \$140 restitution.

Michael Clinton Stultz, plea of guilty to DWI. 4 years probation, \$500 fine, \$224.25 court costs.

Rodney Free, order to dismiss for theft. Defendant was convicted in another case.

Cross Cut Cemetery **Donation Noted**

Imogene N. Haun of Eastland recently contributed \$100 to the Cross Cut Cemetery in memory of her late husband, Buddy Haun.

All donations to the cemetery are greatly appreciated. Contributions may be mailed to O.B. Byrd, HC 30 Box 79, Brownwood, Texas 76801.

Selected

Scriptures

You, through Your com-

mandments, make me wiser

than my enemies; for they/

Your commandments/ are

ever with me. Psalm 119:98

Resist him the devill, stead-

fast in the faith, knowing that

the same sufferings are expe-

rienced by your brotherhood in

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Obituaries

A.B. (Bernice) Foster

A.B. (Bernice) Foster, 88, died Tuesday, September 14, 1999, at his daughter, Ileen Smith's Lake Brownwood home.

Funeral services were held at 2:00 p.m. Thursday, September 16, 1999, at Higginbotham Funeral Chapel. Burial was in Atwell Cemetery directed by Higginbotham Funeral Home of Cross Plains.

Mr. Foster was born September 6, 1911, at Atwell. He married Martha Edna Hutchins April 1, 1935. He was a retired sewer and water department manager and a member of the Leban Primitive Baptist Church. He was preceded in death by his

wife, Edna on April 26, 1996. He is survived by five daughters, Ileen Smith of Lake Brownwood, Mamie Webb of Forney, Martha Leveritt of Fort Worth, Jessie Raben of Post and Vicki Cobb of Temple; one son, Bugs Foster of Seagoville; one sister, Laverne Scott of Cross Plains; 10 grandchildren; 10 greatgrandchildren and 2 great-greatgrandchildren.

CORA PEARL PRENTICE

Pearl Prentice, 85, of San Angelo, died Wednesday, September 1, 1999, in the Robert Lee Care Center. Services were held at 3:30 p.m. Friday, September 3, in Johnson's Funeral Home Chapel with the Rev. Weldon Thomas of Trinity Evangelical Methodist Church of Slaton and the Rev. Roy Lane of First Evangelical Methodist Church of San Angelo, officiating. Burial was in Lawnhaven Memorial Garden.

Mrs. Prentice was born October 7, 1913, in Dunn. She married Linam Prentice April 24, 1932, in Mitchell County. She was a homemaker and a devoted pastor's wife for more than 50 years. She was preceded in death by her husband of 62 years; two brothers and two sisters.

Survivors include one son, John Prentice and wife, Nancy, of San

Angleo one brother, Bob Smith and wife, Nita, of Groesbeck; two sisters, Eva Wells of Loraine and Leslie Coker of Abilene; one grandchild, Angelia Prentice of San Angelo; and several nieces and nephews.

The family would like to express its deep appreciation to the staff at Robert Lee Care Center and Vista Care Family Hospice.

Nelson Larkin

RISING STAR-Funeral services for Nelson Larkin, 86, of China, Texas were held at 2 p.m. Monday, September 20, 1999, in the Higginbotham Funeral Home Chapel with the Rev. Terry Simmons officiating. Burial was in the Rising Star Cemetery. He died Thursday, September 16, 1999, in Memorial Hermann Baptist Hospital in Beaumont.

Mr. Nelson was born July 12, 1913, in Hobbs, New Mexico to Arthur M. and Nancy Ellen Barnett Larkin. He was an Army veteran of World War II. He was married to Frances Flippen on July 29, 1947, in Eastland. He had lived in China with his daughter for the past year, after living in the Rising Star area for 20 years. He worked as a janitor for many years, and was a Baptist.

He was preceded in death by his parents; a brother, Burr Larkin and four sisters, Syble Threet, Myrtle Barton, Jean Milton and Florence

Survivors include his wife, Frances Larkin of Cisco; five sons, Robert Larkin of Sacramento, California, Eddie Larkin of Willeford, Wayne Larkin of California, David Larkin of Rising Star; three daughters, Mary Jane Wilburn of China, Toni Bolin of California and Billie R. Dalton of Rising Star; one brother, Ollie Lee Larkin of Rising Star; three sisters, Martha Lee Spalding of Hamlin, Maude Welch of Fairfield and Bessie R. Gardner of Azle; nine grandchildren; and one great-grandchild.

Rising Star Fourth Annual Octoberfest Saturday, Oct. 9

Plans have been underway for the fourth annual Octoberfest, Saturday, October 9, in Rising Star, 9:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. at the City

There will be a 40 mile bike ride. To enter Coann at (254) 643-1100. A parade will be at 10:00 a.m., so plan to participate! Antique cars to



bicycles are welcome.

CROSS PLAINS PUBLIC LIBRARY **NEWS**

NEW BOOKS:

Helen Freeman has donated 6 audio cassette novels recently. Her gift will be appreciated especially by patrons who read large print books. Check these out:

Such A Pretty Girl - Winston Groom

Tara Road - Maeve Binchy Archangel- Robert Harris The Poisonwood Bible - Barbara Kinsolver

Up Island and Fault Line - Anne Rivers Scddons Statistics - Circulation Cross Plains Books - 72

Abilene - 5 Interlibrary Loan - 7 TOTAL - 79 Donation: Judy Luter

An antique tractor show will be held at the City Park.

Arts and Crafts booth spaces are available. Call (254) 643-4306 or FAX to (254) 643-3226.

Music will begin at 11:00 a.m., with the Talent Show scheduled for 2:00 p.m. Sign up your hog or cattle calling sweetie, singing dogs and all others with lovely voices soon, by calling (915) 646-2672 to enter the Talent Show.

A Barbecue Cook-off, sponsored by the Lone Star Barbecue Society will be held. Call Coann at (254) 643-1100 to enter.

A day of fun and activities is planned for all!!!

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\$7.00 Adults - \$3.50 Child

Fish and Trimmings, Tea

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Veterans News

By: Tom Ivey

OFFICE CLOSED—Your Callahan County Veterans Service Office will be closed September 27 & 28 in order that your Service Officer may attend the annual training that is required by the State of Texas. The office will be open for business as

usual on October 4 & 5. POW/MIA RECOGNITION-September 17 was the National POW/ MIA Recognition Day. The purpose is to ensure that America remembers its responsibility to stand behind those who serve our nation and do everything possible to account for those who do not return. Perhaps you saw the photo of Baird native Buddy Hart on the front page of the Abilene paper Saturday, September 18. Buddy was a POW of the Germans during WWII.

The Department of Defense furnishes the following numbers of missing and unaccounted service members:

World War I-3,350 World War II-78,750 Korean War-8,215 Cold War Era-123 Vietnam/Asia-2,054 Please keep these people in your

GI INSURANCE-Many former members kept their GI insurance when they were discharged. You might want to take a look at the old policy to determine if the beneficiaries are still as you wanted them 20, 30, 40 or 50 years ago. Changes may be made by using VA Form 29-336 which is then sent to VARIOC (B & O), P.O. Box 8638, Philadelphia, PA 19101-8638. Form 29-336 is available by calling your Callahan County Veterans Service Office on Monday & Tuesday (915) 854-1520 or by calling the VA Insurance Center at 1-800-669-8477 (best days to call are Wednesday and Thursday).

Jordan Cattle Auction - Brownwood

September 14, 1999 915-646-7591

Receipts totaled 1299 head. The market continued active today with steer calves and yearlings of all weights selling \$4 to \$8 higher with heifer calves and yearlings of all weights selling \$1 to \$6 higher. Slaughter cows and bulls sold steady with pairs and bred cows selling steady.

Representative Sales Inez Bratton 1 Char 355 @ 120.00 Voca Robert Evans Brady 1 BWF Str 335 @ 115.00 Patricia Griffin 1 Char Str 415 @ 107.00 Houston **Timmins Ranches** Brownwood 1 BWF Str 430 @ 103.50 Richard Sharpe 2 Char Strs 515 @ 92.00 Brownwood Richard Sharpe Brownwood 1 Gry Str 650 @ 85.00 Herbert Loeffler 1 BWF 700 @ 78.00 Early Calvin Evans Blanket 1 Char Str 700 @ 77.00 Jack M Miller 1 Blk Str 725 @ 75.00 Zephyr Day Ranch 1 Blk Hfr 375 @ 99.00 Brownwood J&J Whiteside 1 BWF Hfr 525 @ 88.00 Comanche **Timmins Ranches** Brownwood 4 Blk Hfrs 465 @ 82.50 Don Porter Blanket 3 Char Hfrs 508 @ 77.50 TJ Albritton Brownwood 1 BWF Hfr 665 @ 77.00 WC Patrick Rochelle 1 Blk Hfr 735 @ 68.50

Weight	Steers Price	Heifers Price	Slaughter Bulls
150-300	86-1.30	68-1.07	43-50
300-400	84-1.20	80-99	Slaughter Cows
400-500	64-1.07	74-82.50	33-37
500-600	76-92	74-88	Bred Cows
600-700	68-85	62-77	420-550
700-800	56-78	60-68.50	Pairs
Replacement Price		76-92	500-765

Promise Helpers Ladies' Retreat Oct. 1-3

Promise Helpers invites all women to attend their Annual adies' Retreat. The event will be held at Camp Butman in Merkel, Texas, October 1-3, 1999. Sign in Friday, October 1st, 5:30-6:30 p.m. The retreat begins Friday, 7 p.m. and lasts until Sunday noon. Pre-registration is requested by September 25, 1999. Cost is \$85.

This year's retreat will emphasize taking hold of the abundant life that God intends for us, and gaining victory in areas of discouragement and defeat.

You can expect to be inspired, encouraged, and given practical how-to's through: Praise and Worship, Workshops, Fellowship, Prayer, Food and Fun!

We will have a variety of excellent speakers. Come experience God's goodness and love for yourself. "O taste and see that the Lord is

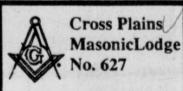
good." Ps 34.8 For more information call 893-3694 (Clyde and Abilene) or 1-888-846-3750 (toll free).

Abilene Writer's Guild Monthly Meeting Thursday

The monthly meeting of the Abilene Writer's Guild will be held Thursday, September 23, at 7:30 p.m. at 860 Hickory Street in Abilene.

"Poetry Patterns" will be presented by Ruth Stewart as the program. The public is welcome to attend.

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N. Main (Hwy. 206) Oross Plains, Texas Sunday School - 9:30 a.m. Worship - 10:45 a.m. Dr. Richard Chaffin, Pastor

By: Linda Merritt

The residents had their annual Art Show Wednesday morning. Those participating in the show were Ruby Harrell, Maxine Crisp, Alpha Wilson, Minnie Swann, Hazel McCoy and Mildred Newton. Our judges this year were Betty Beggs and Debbie Griswold. Cookies and punch were enjoyed by all. The winners will be announced along with their pictures in next weeks edition of the Cross Plains Review.

Thoughts and prayers for Loren Lee who is in the hospital.

Appreciation to Carolyn Wilson for bringing her miniature horses for all to see, to Stormie Jones for the cookies and donuts, to the Evans family for the beautiful flowers, to Willie Ezzell for the squash, to Debbie Griswold for the walker and to Sheri Kitchens for the pears.

We have a set of keys that were found in a residents room. If you have lost a set, please check at the nurses station.

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

Bethany and Taylor Parker and Beth Meador visited with Nandell

Astrid Crouch visited with Falba and Shofner and Pauline Regian.

Lurene, Byron and Brenton McNutt and Cheyenne and Charlou Cowan visited with Louise Richardson.

Magan and Linda Shoemaker, Bob and Ruby Wallace, Diana Heinzman, Deborah Griswold and Michael Curry were here visiting everyone.

Activities during the week were: Monday: Bingo winners were

Hazel McCoy, Falba Shofner (2), Alpha Wilson (2), Maxine Crisp (2) and Vera Belyeu. Exercise class and Skip-Bo games.

Tuesday: Art class. Sing-a-long with Bob Wallace and popcorn social.

Wednesday: Bingo winners were Minnie Swann, Alpha Wilson, Howet Wilson, Falba Shofner, Maxine Crisp and Vera Belyeu (2). Exercise class and Skip-Bo games.

Thursday: Bingo winners were Howet Wilson (2), Ruby Harrell (3), Minnie Swann, Alpha Wilson (2) and Vera Belyeu. Ball toss and

Friday: Singing Bob Wallace. Sit-down-basketball and Skip-Bo

Sunday: Cornerstone Church. You are not dressed for work until you wear a smile.

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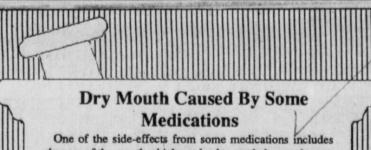


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By Bob Pipes, preacher **Cross Plains Church of Christ** 433 N. Main At 12th (254) 725-6117

Have you had to buy a new set of tires recently? Most all of them are radials now. It reminds me of a little quip I read -- perhaps a bit nostalgic, but it shouldn't be. It went like this: "Remember when kids were belted -- and tires weren't?"

That tends to reveal a fact that is "all too sad but true." Too many parents are afraid to administer corrective discipline. But corrective discipline, when properly administered, is an action of real love and concern. I had a teacher who stated many times: "You display love sometimes with a pat on the back -- and at other times, a little lower and a little harder."

Surely it is true of parents' corrective discipline -- their "chastening" -- just as it is of the heavenly Father's. "My son, do not make light of the Lord's discipline, and do not lose heart when He rebukes you, because the Lord disciplines those whom He loves, and He punishes everyone He accepts as a son." (Proverbs 3:11-12, and repeated in Hebrews 12:5-6)

The writer of Hebrews uses this fact as a proof that discipline is good -- even corrective discipline -- and goes on to use this accepted fact of fatherly discipline of those whom he loves as a proof of the child's legitimacy. And he says that, though the discipline may not seem pleasant at the time (actually it's very painful!), laterion it produces fruit. In the case of the child of the father, a respectable citizen, etc.; in the case of the child of the heavenly Father, righteousness. But only in those who have been trained in righteousness -- "belted" if you please ...

Is your heavenly Father disciplining you? Then rejoice! Children, is your father disciplining you? Then rejoice!

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Friends & Neighbors Caring In Jesus

Quips, Clips & Comments

By: Kay Mosley

The thought has occurred to me in my meanness, my madness and my musings that perhaps the television networks could greatly and significantly improve the quality of their programing. Of "course" they could, most "especially" in the summer months.

Not sure what your thoughts on this are, but as for me; here is my opinion. I get very irritated that the networks can't or won't put on some new programs for the summer, at least not nearly enough of them. I am most tired of the reruns. The three networks, seem to groan and complain that cable is running them out of business.

Well, I wonder if the thought has ever occurred to them that if they would put on more innovative

summer programming, perhaps more people would watch the network channels more instead of turning to the cable programming.

They seem to do just fine during the sweeps but following that are more reruns, more re-reruns and even more re-re-reruns and so it

You would think that they could at least run an afternoon movie once a week and maybe on Saturday nights also. But, NO, no such luck here, just more re-re-re-reruns!

Maybe someday they will put some programming on -- which will pique your interest and scrounge up some new viewers.

Cable is fine for those who prefer it but we need some choices!



Forbidden feed...

MyKeeper and I have been trying to find the right feed hay for our goats. Goat kids or grandkids, It's all about the same. Their middle name is Trouble, and it keeps us busy trying to stay at least three jumps ahead of them.

Instead of arranging a plate for a child, making sure no potatoes touch any peas, and certainly nothing slides into the meat juice, we're merely trying to get our goats to eat their hay

They like haygrazer, but we ran out of that.

We bought beautiful, crisp, leafy green alfalfa to tantalize their discriminating palates. They nosed through it, ate a few tender leaves, dragged all the rest out onto the ground and walked in it. That means it will never again touch

Wheat hay was their next tempting meal. It was so slippery that one tug on one twig brought the entire flake sliding to the ground. It was perfect bedding. They didn't even nibble the kernels. They have no idea how nice we we're trying to

Our grandkids go out in the field, even on the hottest, sweatiest days, to pick wads of Johnson grass for the goats. The whole herd comes running. The first one snaps off a big mouthful. The rest of them nuzzle and snift. They snift some more, and some more, then curl their lips, toss their heads and wander away. The first goat's smell is on it, and they are soooo finicky.

because there's no competition, and she lets her next mouthfuls drop to the ground.

We listened to some psychological advice. It's the same as for toddlers. Let them get hungry. They'll eat eventually. It didn't work. The goats jumped the fence and went to eat at the neighbor's.

One summer I grew turnips in my

garden. Goats are supposed to love them best of all, and I thought the gesture would make them grateful. For their first course, the goats ate the leaves. They chomped and gulped, shaking the turnip bulb loose. By the time I got there, all the turnips were on the ground. I waited until the goats went off to the water trough, then I picked them all up and shoved them back into the feed pan.

It didn't fool them. They Just KNEW those turnips had touched the ground.

Last week, we brought in some sorghum hay and stacked it in the goat shelter. We wanted the goats to finish up the last three bales of the old hay before starting on the new. They'd rather starve.

We gave in, brought out some new hay, and set the old hay outside the fence.

That was the trick. The goats worked and worked until they stretched the fence enough to squeeze their heads through, and they ate every last bit of that "forbidden" hay!

I've learned a lot about human nature, raising goats.

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By then, the first goat loses interest Interesting Letter Taken From Cross Plains Web Page Bulletin Board

Byron Whited of McNeil, Texas wrote an open letter to Cyndi Hughes, Program Director of the Texas Book Festival, regarding Robert E. Howard books and it appeared on the Cross Plains Web Page Bulletin Board.

He noted that he couldn't find any books by his favorite Texas author, Robert E. Howard. He remarked that he had trouble finding vendors or festival workers who had even heard of Howard.

Whited talked with a book collector and stated, "That is strange, I would bet that he is the best selling native born Texas author." The book collector said it was true.

Mr. Whited commented that Howard practically invented the whole "Sword and Sorcery" type of literature. He based his characters he met around Cross Plains and Central Texas. Howard told H.P. Lovecraft in a letter that the character of "Conan the Barbarian" was based on oil field roughnecks. That means that Conan is a Texan.

Whited commented that from a literary point of view Xena's hometown is Cross Plains. She is a character from "Xena, Warrior Princes." All the "Sword and Sorcerer" movies, books, games and even the "Medieval Fairs" and "Renaissance Festivals" can trace their origins back to the work of Robert E. Howard.

"The most important thing about Howard, was not that he created a entirely new genre of literature, or that he created wonderful and entertaining stories, but, rather that his stories and writing style have inspired so much creativity in others," Whited stated.

Byron feels Howard either directly or indirectly inspired fantasy writers, fantasy art form, computer games or video games, popular T.V. shows and movies based on his characters and stories.

"I think it is time that he and his art form be recognized by the Texas literary community, and that he be listed among the literary giants of this state. He deserves to have his books, and the books of authors that he has inspired, on display and for sale at the Texas Book Festival. He deserves a chance to help raise money to support the libraries of Texas," Whited remarked.

It was noted that Robert E. Howard is the only native born Texas writer, to Mr. Whited's knowledge, to have a movie biography of his life. This would be "The Whole Wide World."

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Pioneer News

By: Pioneer Quilting Club

Monday night Cowan and Laverne Hutton attended the gospel meeting at Lake Brownwood. Friday, Laverne's sister, Betty Haslam of Clyde, spent the day with her. Saturday morning, Laverne and daughter-in-law, Trisha, and grandson, Anthony, went to the Gorman Peanut Festival and attended the parade. They enjoyed seeing the parade, quilt show, and crafts. Saturday afternoon, Cowan and Laverne visited their son, Lynn and family.

The quilting club had our first meeting September 14. We enjoyed being together again. We were sure glad to see Charlene again and Glenda Phillips joined us. We put in two quilts, a "nine patch" and Lou's quilt. I'll have the name of it next week. We enjoyed our eat out at

Speaking of Ophelia's, did you know every Tuesday night she has a Senior Citizen plate? Come on out and try it.

McMillan Family Reunion Oct.2-3

Descendants of Jim and Amy McMillan will hold their reunion on Friday night, October 2, and Saturday, October 3, in the Cross Plains Multi-Purpose Center on East 8th Street.

Friends and family are cordially invited.



SEPTEMBER 27-30 MONDAY-Lasagna, garden salad, Italian veggies, peaches, gar-

TUESDAY-Chicken cacciatore, cauliflower, mixed veggies, banana pudding, roll and milk.

lic bread and milk.

WEDNESDAY—Chopped roast beaf w/gravy, mashed potatoes, green beans, white cake w/icing, roll and milk.

THURSDAY-Chef salad, ham, cheese, egg, bacon bits, baked potato, coconut pudding, crackers and

For Details About The Internet Contact: Vanda or Deborah (254) 725-6111

Our open house quilt and art show, and country craft store are getting closer. Keep October 16 on your calendar for this.

Please everybody, keep praying that we get rain soon. The stock tanks are either empty or nearly so. The well water levels are way down. We need to get our winter wheat in the ground. We are thankful for the cooler weather.

Our Buffalo team ran out of time on a couple of games. You boys have done a great job. They have worked hard. We play Rotan this week. Let's all go out and support them. The JV and junior high are doing a super job, also. The band looks and plays great. The Cross Country meet was at our own "Pioneer Lakewood" this week. It was very well attended.

Words of Wisdom #88: Some lives, like evening primroses, blossom most beautifully in the evening of life. by C.E. Cowman

Eunice Starr Celebrating 100th Birthday

Very few people in the world can lay claim to having lived a life that spanned three centuries, but Eunice Starr will, when her life extends to the year 2000.

Mrs. Starr will be 100 on October 4th. She will be honored at the Presbyterian Church on Sunday, October 3, at 10:00 a.m. with a reception.

An open house honoring both Eunice and her brother Collis Eager, who will be 87 on October 17, will be held Monday, October 4, from 2:00 to 4:00 p.m. at their home 4 miles north of Cross Plains, 11696 County Road 248.

Friends in the community are invited to stop by. Your presence will be gift enough.

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JUNIOR HIGH BOYS CROSS COUNTRY TEAM

Cross Country Results

By COACH BECKY DILLARD

The Cross Plains Cross Country Meet was held Saturday, September 18, at Lakewood Golf Course. Twenty-five teams participated in this meet.

Results are as follows:

Varsity Boys - 95 runners - 8th

Clay Wilson 24th; Josh Hopkins 47th; Bo James 48th; Chuck Norris 79th; Nathan Joy 80th; Brandon Jones 82nd

Varsity Girls - 92 runners - 9th place

Brittany Bennett 20th; Brandi Richey 35th; Mary Jo Nickerson 58th; Shena Thomas 67th; Angela Swift 77th

JV Girls - 32 runners - 3rd place Erin Stephens 15th; Danielle Marion 16th; Danielle Eppard 20th; Melanie Chesshir 25th; Judith Mauricio 30th

Jr. High Boys - 55 runners - 1st and 3rd place

Ryan Mack 1st medal; Brandon

Phillips 4th medal; Jose Mauricio 5th medal; Casey Pack 7th medal; Andy Bennett 8th medal; Marcus Williams 9th medal; Randy Duncan 12th: Thomas Dimitri 23rd; Kyle Kitchens 24th; Dusty Cooper 28th; Elias Bennett 39th; Justin Kelly 51st Jr. High Girls A - 86 runners -

3rd place Shana Hyles 9th medal; Christin Hyles 12th; Jessie James 30th; Jennifer Young 37th; Amber Phillips 40th; Katie Mack 49th; Stephanie Edington 59th

Jr. High Girls B - 101 runners -

Kali Phillips 12th; Megan Felty 25th; Kim Mosier 30th; Nicole Clark 42nd; Marie Besselaar 48th; Bree Dillard 53rd; Kelsee Richards 59th; Dayna Bennett 74th

A big thanks to Lakewood's Brad and Carrie Harding and crew. They were a big help both days with setting up and keeping things on hand.

Bud Dillard for 2 days of hard work with setting up, back up starter and taking down course, and much

Sandy Carey and Roy Richey for showing me where things go and meet starter.

Karen Richey and Cody Chandler as timer and finish clerk.

Course judges Debbie Bennett, Sheri Kitchens, Barbara Sowell, Connie and John Swift, Phillip Bennett, Kathy Chesshir, Tabitha Martinue, Melissa Richards, Robin Watkins, Dana Dimitri, Pat Stephens, Joy Dillard, Coby Richards, Nick Dimitri, Annette Nickerson, Lindy Cooper, Kelly Lenz and Martha Wood.

Mack McConal for leading the pack of racers on the 4-wheeler. Scorers - Cliffadean Hargrove,

Kelly Hyles and Dannes Turner. Tag pullers - Roxie Thomas; Greg Turner, Jackie Thomas, Mark Norris, and Jennifer Turner.

Water girls - Terry Jane Wyatt, Debbie Edington

Line movers - Steve and Sandy Mack, Jimmy Hargrove, Frankie Hyles and any others who helped. Thanks again for all of the help from the Cross Plains Community.



JUNIOR VARSITY BUFFALOES

Cross Plains Junior Varsity Defeated Ranger Bulldogs 22-13

By TERESA KOENIG

The Junior Varsity Buffaloes pulled off another victory defeating the Ranger Bulldogs Thursday night. Captains for the evening were Kevin Wilson, Matt Nickerson and Jordan Duran.

The Buffs won the toss but declined the kickoff until the second half. As the Buffaloes took a defensive stand, Charlie Rogers and Landon Hill made two major tackles followed by Duran breaking up the Bulldog's passing game.

Kevin Wilson made the first quarterback sack of the night and the Buffs took over on their own 48 for the first offensive drive. Duran made a couple of 1st downs and Josh Hopkins threw a long pass to T.J. Harris bringing the Buffs just shy of the goal line. The Bulldogs took control of the ball and after completing one play the buzzer sounded for the end of the 1st quarter, which was dominated by the Buffs.

Kevin Wilson caused a fumble for the Bulldogs in the 2nd quarter and Brandon Gilliam recovered for the Buffs. They took over on their 47 yard line. Following a carry by Nickerson and a keeper for Hopkins, the Buffs called time-out with 6:41 in the half. Brandon Mahler punted

for the Buffs and the Bulldogs took possession on the 35 yard line. Rogers created some major breakups for the Bulldogs. The Buffs defense looked extremely strong with only 3:55 left in the half.

Ranger punted and Hopkins handed off to Klay Wilson to set up the 1st down. The Bulldogs received a penalty for roughing the passer and this gave the Buffs another 1st down. Going for the touchdown, Hopkins only missed Gilliam by inches. On the next play Hopkins passed to Harris who got to the 3rd yard line with only 30 seconds remaining in the half. Gilliam went in the for the T.D. The Buffs didn't grab the extra point. The half ended with the Buffs leading 6-0.

The halftime entertainment was a field goal kicking contest provided by the Athletic Booster Club. This week's lucky winner was J.D. Pipes.

In the second half T.J. Harris received the kickoff and took the ball to the Bulldog's 40 yard line. The Buffs fumbled and the Bulldogs recovered only to fumble themselves The Buffereneward the ball. Hopkins handed off to Clay Wilson and then to Nickerson who scored the second T.D. of the evening. Hopkins added the two point conversion bringing the score

The Buff's defense was still showing great strength in the 3rd quarter as the Bulldogs called a time out with 4:57 remaining in the quarter. On the next play Gilliam intercepted the ball. Then the Bulldogs intercepted the Buff's ball and made their first T.D. plus an extra point. The score was now 14-7.

A great carry from T.J. Harris on the kickoff gave the Buffs good field position. Hopkins gave the ball to Gilliam who made a 1st down. Nickerson and Gilliam claimed a pair of 1st downs and the 3rd quarter ended.

When the teams changed ends, Gilliam found an opening and some extra yards, plus the penalty from the Bulldogs, putting the Buffs on the 10 yard line. Hopkins took the snap and passed to Gilliam, who passed to Mahler who scored a T.D. Hopkins added the two point conversion bringing the score to 22-7.

The Bulldogs managed another T.D. and the score was 22-13. The Buffs ended up on the 37 yard line after the kickoff but couldn't make

mything on this corioes Makler made a beautiful 30 yard punt with 5:11 remaining in the game. Jared Nowell got his first quarterback sack and the Buffs took over and ran out the clock. The Buffs were victorious with a final score of 22-13.



CROSS PLAINS HIGH SCHOOL VARSITY BUFFALOES

Buffaloes Fall To Ranger Bulldogs 21-7

By COACH CORD WOERNER

Three big plays and an inability to get the ball in the endzone cost the Buffaloes a ballgame at Ranger Friday. The job of having these kids physically and mentally ready to play is mine. Obviously, we were not prepared enough to take advantage of our opportunities. We will continue to work hard and try to improve.

Ranger scored on a 70 yard run on the very first play of the game. After penning them deep, Clint Bailey intercepted a Ranger pass and we took over at the 8 yard line. Three plays later the Buffaloes were forced to attempt a field goal from the 9. The kick missed. The first half ended with the Bulldogs leading 7-0.

The 3rd quarter saw little action yards passing until with 34 seconds left in the half. Chris Kitchens scored on an 83 yard yards reverse to knot the score at 7.

After trading punts, Ranger scored yards again on 1st down. A 70 yard run put Ranger back on top 14-7. An interception in the 4th quarter which was returned 24 yards for a T.D. sealed the loss.

Defense was very solid, with the exception of the 2 long runs. Only one Ranger player had positive yards. 186 yards of their 199 yard total came on 3 plays. The Buffaloes gave up four 1st downs, three of which were

Offensive Leaders Coby Richards - 6 for 16 and 125

Chris Kitchens - 10 carries for 94

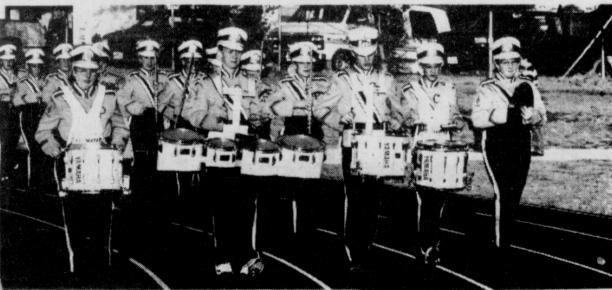
Scott Mackey - 13 carries for 41

Cody Reed - 3 catches for 50 yards **Defensive Leaders**

Kenny Callaway. - 5 solos, 3 assists, 1 caused fumble Clint Bailey - 3 solos, 4 assists, 1

interception Tony Beggs - 2 solos, 9 assists Scott Mackey - 5 solos, 1 assist, 1

Joseph Dillard - 1 solo, 3 assists, 1 QB sack, 3 QB hurries.



BUFFALO MARCHING BAND



JUNIOR HIGH BUFFS



MYSTERY READER - Leslie Lawrence was the guest reader for the first graders. She chose books relating good daily living lessons.

Fabulous Friday First Grade Update Told By KIM WOERNER

Mrs. Leslie Lawrence, a former school teacher, came as our guest Mystery Reader this past Friday. She read The Little Red Hen by Lucinda McQueen and discussed the important lesson of helping other people and doing our part whenever we need to.

She also read Across the Stream by Navey Ginsberg. The lesson learned from this book was to be a good friend.

Mrs. Lawrence took special time and effort that day to bake a small bread muffin for each child and even offered honey as a sweet treat. The bread related back to the first story read.

School Board to meet Sept. 27

A called meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Cross Plains School District will be held on September 27, 1999, beginning at 7:00 p.m. in the high school administration board room. The subject to be discussed or considered or upon which any formal action may be taken are as follows:

Prayer

1. Discuss the proposed tax rate and hear public comments.

2. Adjourn.

1. Open second meeting.

2. Adopt tax rate.

3. Adjourn.

Mrs. Lawrence explained that she loves reading because it can take her places that she can't go otherwise, such as to China or to an ant hill. She enjoys reading mysteries and books of fiction.

If you enjoy roading whether it be recipes or music -- please come and share your experiences with us in first grade. Please contact Mrs. Hunter or Mrs. Woerner at 725-6123.

See you next week!

Pictured from L-R in a 4th grade classroom: "The Cat in the Hat", "Slim" from Hank the Cowdog, "Amy" from Little Women, "Black Dog" from Treasure Island, "Jim Watkins" from Why Cowboys Sleep With Their Boots On "Amelia Bedelia" and "Barefoot" from Escape on the Underground Railroad.



"Mrs. Frizzle" from The Magic School Bus and "Slewfoot Sue" from Pecos Bill are taking care of office business.



"Viola Swamp" from Miss Nelson is Missing had a cheery "hello" for all her students that day.



"Deion Sanders" reading his own biography in the library.

"Pocahantas" and "Ramona" from Beverly Cleary's Ramona. the Pest on their way to the computer lab.

We're Reading By Leaps & Bounds

Imagine a day filled with meeting some of your favorite book characters such as Huckleberry Finn, Cinderella, The Cat in the Hat, Laura Ingalls, Dorothy or Pecos Bill, just to mention a few. This is what it was like on September 9, when Pre-K through 6th grade and their teachers dressed up as book characters for their AR (Accelerated Reader) Kick-Off-Day. The costumes were clever and were a delight to see.

The day began with an AR pep rally, complete with cheers and chants related to reading. It also included a challenge from their Principal, Mrs. Sowell (dressed as Slewfoot Sue) to reach 12,500 points as a school-wide goal by

May, 2000. The students then voted on what their principal would do if they met the challenge. Mrs. Sowell said she would be willing to do one of three things; kiss a pig, milk a goat, or be subjected to a pie throw!

The students overwhelmingly voted for the pie throw and they are eager to meet the challenge. The students have also set personal and classroom reading goals for the year. They accumulate points for passing quizzes on AR books, which range from 1/2 point on up, depending on the length and reading level of each

Our students have read so much since the beginning of their AR program; they had no difficulty in thinking of a character they would

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like to be for this special day. Many classes took time to let students share why they chose a particular book character, which were taken from fiction or biographies.

The remainder of the day was spent in our normal routine, but it was fun to see "Amelia Bedelia" doing math, "Hank the Cowdog" reading about history, "Henry and Mudge" eating lunch and "Viola Swamp" teaching a class! We all had a great time and found out how books can really "come alive"!

Additional photos will be included in future editions of the Cross Plains

Submitted by Jacque Childress

Make A **Field Goal** Win \$35

Have you ever watched a football game with fourth down, seconds left on the clock and all that separated the game from victory or loss was the making of a field goal? If the attempt was unsuccessful, did you say to yourself that given the opportunity you could have made the winning point? Well, here is your chance to prove how you could make the outcome different. The Cross Plains Athletic Booster Club is selling chances for having your name drawn to attempt a field goal at half-time of the varsity and junior high home football games. Entries will be sold for \$1.00 each with the winner's name being drawn prior to half-time. The winner will be given the opportunity to make a 30-yard field goal and, if successful, will win \$35.00! The contest is open to ages 7th grade and up. So get up all you couch potatoes, it's time to put your money where your mouth is and support our Athletic Booster Club. (Ask Jady Pipes, it can be done)



SEPTEMBER 27 - OCTOBER 1

BREAKFAST

MONDAY-Cream of wheat, toast, assorted juice and milk. TUESDAY-Eggs, bacon, biscuit, assorted juice and milk.

WEDNESDAY-Cereal, toast, assorted juice and milk. THURSDAY-Pancakes, sausage,

assorted juice and milk. FRIDAY-Muffins, assorted juice

LUNCH

MONDAY-Spaghetti w/meat sauce, broccoli, garlic sticks, apple wedges and milk.

TUESDAY-Steak fingers w/ gravy, mashed potatoes, green beans, rolls, peaches and milk. WEDNESDAY-Tacos, salad,

corn, pineapples and milk. THURSDAY-Chicken pot pie, crackers, pickled beets, fruit cup and

FRIDAY-Submarine sandwich, chips, pickles, salad, fruit crisp and

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Financial Focus

Put Triple Compounding to Work for You Someone once asked Albert Einstein what was the most amazing discovery he had ever encountered. Without hesitation, he replied, "Compound interest."

Of course, you don't have to be a scientific genius to appréciate the "miracle" of compounding. The ability of money to grow over time has benefited anyone who has ever saved for a goal.



Let's see how compounding works. Suppose you put \$100 in an investment that earns a fixed 10 percent rate of interest. At the end of the first year, you will have \$110. After two years, you will have \$121. The extra dollar, which was earned on the \$10 interest from the first year, is the compounded interest. (This example shows interest compounded annually; interest can also be compounded daily, quarterly or semiannually.)

Earning compound interest is obviously a good thing, But it won't help you escape the tax man. In the above example, you would pay \$3.71 in taxes on your \$10 interest the first year, \$7.79 on your \$21 interest the second year, and so on, assuming you had a combined state and federal tax rate of 37.1 percent. If you withdrew this amount each year to pay taxes, you would be left with considerably fewer dollars to compound.

What's the alternative? You might want to put the same amount of money in a tax-deferred investment, such as an annuity. With a taxdeferred vehicle, you pay no taxes on your earnings until withdrawal. By investing in an annuity or other tax-deferred product, you can benefit from "triple compounding." First, you'll earn interest on your principal. Second, you'll earn interest on your earnings. And third, you'll earn interest on money that would normally have been lost to

Over time, the benefits of triple compounding can add up. Suppose, for example, that you invest \$50,000 in an annuity that earns 8 percent each year. After 30 years, your initial \$50,000 investment will have grown to \$503,133. Conversely, if you had put the same \$50,000 in an investment on which you paid taxes every year, your money would only have grown to \$218,082 after 30 years, assuming an 8 percent annual rate of return and a combined state and federal tax rate of 37.1

You will eventually have to pay taxes on your earnings when you start making withdrawals. However, by that time, you may be retired and in a lower tax bracket. Or you may be able to structure your annuity payouts in a way that will reduce your tax burden. Even if you took your annuity as a lump sum, you would end up with an after-tax amount of \$335,020 after 30 years - nearly \$117,000 more than you would have accumulated on an investment that wasn't tax-deferred.

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Letter to the Editor

The Constitution of the United States was written by 40 men who gathered together to establish a new way of life in a new country. They had come from the tyranny of England, where they were persecuted for having differing opinions than that of the government. The Bill of Rights is part of the Constitution and is made up of 12 amendments. The first is the right to freedom of religion, freedom of speech and freedom of the press.

Freedom of the press we all are familiar with, from the nightly news cast to the tabloids that with the hottest new story revealed to them by a martian which just happened to be passing through.

Freedom of religion is still evident in our society, to a point. We can continue to go to the church of our choice and worship as we please, as long as it is in PRIVATE. Any other "religious" organization can meet in a public place without ridicule and be protected by the constitution, but if you are meeting in a public place to worship God, then you are infringing on others' rights.

WHAT ABOUT OUR RIGHT? Last time I looked, we were citizens of the U.S., also.

It's okay for us to meet in our churches and worship, but if we worship outside of the building designated for that purpose, we make people uncomfortable. I got news for you people, the church is not the building, but the people who make up the body of Christ, we just happen to choose to meet in that building.

Freedom of speech is still alive and well in our society, unless you are a Christian. The newest infringement on our rights is the inability to pray at the football games. Why? Because when Christians pray God hears. 'When two or more are gathered in my name, there I will be also.' Matthew 18:20. This makes people who are not a Christian uncomfortable, therefore they scream that their rights have been violated.

Guess what people? This is not a new concept! Throughout the Bible there are instances where people who pray were persecuted. One of those was Daniel, when he was told that it was against the law to pray to God. He 'went to his house, opened the windows and prayed three times a day as he had always done.' Daniel 6:10. Yes, he was thrown into the lions den, but God took care of him!

The last days are upon us, we are seeing the prophesies of the Revelation being fulfilled. The day is coming when each one of us will stand before God to answer for his/her transgressions. Jesus said, "Who ever confesses me before men, I will confess him before the Father who is in heaven. But whoever denies me before men, he also I will deny before the Father who is in heaven." Matthew 10:32-33.

THE ONLY WAY FOR MAN TO COMMUNICATE WITH GOD IS THROUGH PRAYER !!!

May God Bless You All, Carol L. Sims Dear Editor: In regards to the editorial, "Praying

in School".

Excuse my ignorance! But don't we as Americans confuse our constitutional "Freedom of Religion", "Freedom of Speech", and the mandate of God (Christ) to preach the "Gospel"?

I hear "Christians" complain, as the topic of the editorial, that the court has abridged their "Freedom of Religion" by forbidding praying in school, and or, football games. I don't understand! Is praying religion?

One is "Free" in America to be Jewish, Moslem, Hindu, Christian, or Hypocrite. Here-in lies the rub, not all who say they are Christian, are the "Elect".

Public prayer was condemned by Christ. Christ condemned the act of hypocrisy, Christ commended secret prayer. Christ prayed in secret. Those called of God, are to do as Christ said and did.

Those that pray in public "Have their reward".

As for those that advocate acts of defiance, breaking the law. Read Romans 13.

Those "Called" and "Chosen" of God are to evangelize in word and deed. Christ in us will never be offended by a man-made rule that is not against him, so we need to test the spirit that is offended, it's quite likely it is the spirit of Christian Tradition. Christ would most likely say of "Christian Tradition" the same as he said of the tradition of the Pharisee.

Yours truly, Robert Powell

Local Business Owner Expands to Snyder

The Beacon Lodge in Snyder has been purchased by Gene Thompson and Associates of Fort Worth. This 36 room motel has been totally remodeled plus an RV campground has been added on the property. Much of the motel has been restored to the splendor of the 1950's.

The motel is now open for business and the Grand Opening will be held Saturday, September 25 from 10 a.m. until noon.

Gene Thompson and Associates own and operate motels in Albany, Baird, Cisco, Breckenridge, Anson, Big Bend, Fort Davis and Cross Plains.

Musical At Pizza House Saturday

The monthly country and western musical will be Saturday, September 25, 1999 at the Pizza House on South Access 1-20 Road. Music begins at 6 p.m. with area musicians performing.

There will be a salad-sandwich bar available for those not eating pizza. As usual, there will be lots of delicious pizza, comfortable air conditioned seating. No admission. Mark your calendar and come out for a night of good entertainment. We will look for you there.

Submitted by Thelma Kniffen

Callahan-Shackelford Farm Bureau Annual Convention Saturday, October 2

The Callahan-Shackelford County Farm Bureau annual meeting will be held Saturday, October 2, beginning at 6:30 p.m. at the Baird School Cafeteria, according to David Williams, county president.

A barbecue meal will be served. Farm Bureau members and their immediate families will be served at no charge, but guest will be charged \$6.50 per person.

There will be a dessert contest this year, and drawing for door prizes.
Guest speaker will be Ned Meister,
Texas Farm Bureau Commodity and

Regulatory Activities Director.

The main purpose of this annual meeting is to adopt policies for the coming year. Also, new directors will be elected at this time, as will voting delegates to represent our county at the state convention to be held in Corpus Christi, November 27-December 1.

Please call office at (915) 854-1044 for reservations.

Third of Projected Additional Budget Surplus Comes from Lower Spending on Social Security and Medicare

More than one-third of next year's \$14 billion additional budget surplus comes from reduced government spending on Social Security, Medicare and Medicaid, yet that money may soon be spent on government so-called "emergencies" and "pork" projects, according to TREA Senior Citizens League (TSCL). Based on figures from the Congressional Budget Office's July report, a study prepared for TSCL found that the lower spending accounted for more than \$5 billion of next year's projected additional budget surplus.

"Congress is proposing to fund things like studies of 'animal waste management' and the 'painting on ship bottoms' with money that comes directly from reductions in Social Security and Medicare," declares Michael J. Zabko, Executive Director TSCL. "Even the census has been called an "emergency" in order to get around spending caps. What emergency? "We've known for the last 200 years that we have to have a census every ten years," Zabko notes.

Reduced spending on Social Security Cost-Of-Living Adjustments (COLAs) come at a time when seniors are struggling to find a way to keep up with skyrocketing costs of prescription drugs. Spending on prescription drugs has been rising at a far faster pace than inflation, about 16 percent in 1998 alone. Studies indicate that as many as one in eight seniors must choose between food and the prescription drugs they need to survive.

Reduced spending on Medicare accounts for nearly \$3 billion of the additional surplus in fiscal year 2000. The Congressional Budget Office attributes that reduction to a "substantial" drop in the use of home health services. "This is an indication that our nation's sickest and most frail seniors, especially those with conditions that are expensive to treat, such as cancer patients who need chemotherapy, may not be getting the home care they need," warns Zabko.

"Congress and President Clinton have pledged to protect Social Security and Medicare, yet the surplus from reduced spending on the program is getting spent on pet pork projects and so-called 'emergency' spending. TSCL calls on seniors across the country to protest this 'budget surplus hoax' by contacting their Members of Congress and President Clinton. Funding can, and should, be restored to Medicare, Medicaid and Social Security COLAs," declares Zabko.

TSCL is a national group of politically active seniors concerned about the protection of their earned Social Security, Medicare, military and other retirement benefits. TSCL members participate in a number of grassroots lobbying and public education campaigns to ensure governmental bodies live up to commitments.



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TERRY JANE BRANCH

Local Lady's Granddaughter to perform at RotanCross Plains Football Game

Wilda Edington's granddaughter, Terry Jane Branch, will be cheering for the Yellowhammers. Terry is the 15-year-old daughter of James and Sue Branch of Rotan.

She is active in volleyball, basketball and track; she qualified for the State Track Meet in the 800 meter relay in May. Terry takes gymnastics and attended the ACU Cheerleading Camp in July.

Former Resident's Grandson Featured in Newspaper Column

Ethan Edington, grandson of Guy and Billie (Atwood) Patterson of Albany, was featured in Ponderings by Pat in *The Albany News* on August 26th. Pat Lidia Jones wrote the following:

From my own personal observation of young Ethan, son of Deneen and Eddie Edington, I know that he is a very busy, industrious boy, with a terrific imagination and an incredible ability to entertain himself. After his first day in kindergarten last week, his mother asked how his day had gone and what he had done.

"Set," Ethan summed up the entire day in one word. Then he elaborated at bit, "My knees have headaches from setting still."

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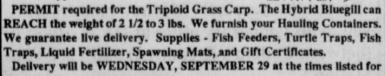
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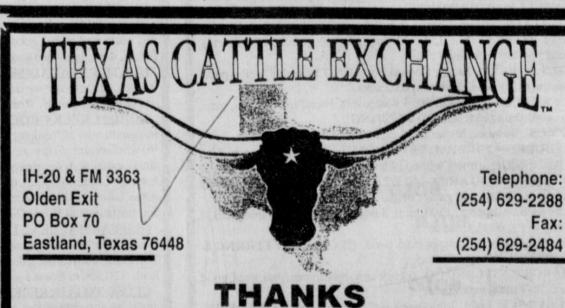
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