



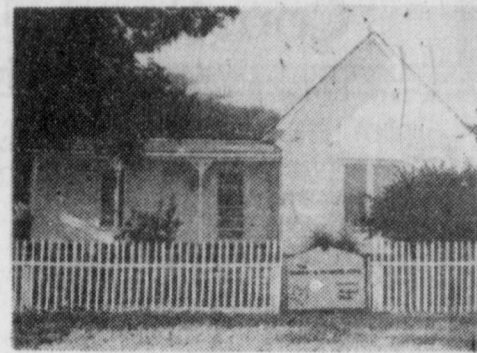
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EDITOR'S NOTE: The following author unknown story was brought by the office by Anna Chesshir. There are a lot of us girls who can relate to the problem the lady was experiencing. Have a good laugh, but don't let this deter you from coming to Homecoming 2000 at Cross Plains on September 29-30. Time changes everyone, so don't let anything get in your way of seeing former classmates and having a great time. Vanda Anderson-Creech

"Homecoming 2000"

It was the day of my 20th Class Reunion. I prepared for it like any "intelligent" woman would. I went on a starvation diet the day before, knowing that all the extra weight would just melt off in 24-hours, leaving me with my sleek, trim, high school, girlish body. The last 20 years of careful cellulite collection would just be gone with a snap of a finger. I knew if I didn't eat a morsel on Friday, that I could fit into my senior formal on Saturday.

Trotting up to the attic, I pulled the gown out of the garment bag, carried it lovingly downstairs, ran my hand over the fabric, and hung it on the door. I looked in the mirror, sighed and thought, "Well, okay, maybe if I shift it all to the back..." Bodies never have pockets where you need them.

Bravely, I took the gown off the hanger, unzipped the white glittering dress and stepped gingerly into it. I struggled, twisted, and turned, and pulled, and I got the formal up to my knees before the zipper gave out.

Rolling it into a ball and tossing it into the corner, I turned to Plan B. The black velvet caftan. I was disappointed. I wanted to wear those silver platform sandals again and dance the night away. Okay, one setback was not going to spoil my mood for this affair. No way!

I gathered up all the goodies that I had purchased at the drug store, the scented shower gel, the body building, highlighting shampoo, and split end killer, but shine enhancer conditioner, the under eye "ain't no lines here firming cream", the all day face lifting gravitating fighting moisturizer with wrinkle filler, the all day kiss me till my lips bleed, and see if this gloss will come off lipstick, the bronzing face powder for that special glow. Promises fulfilled by products purchased. I could feel the wrinkles shuddering in fear.

I jumped into the steaming shower, soaped, lathered, rinsed, shaved, tweezed, buffed, scrubbed and scoured by body to a tingling redness. Plastering my freshly scrubbed face with anti-wrinkle, gravity fighting, your face will look like a baby's behind face cream, and rolling my hair in those small pink-sponge rollers, I felt wonderful. Ready to take on the world. Or in this instance, my underthings.

With the towel firmly wrapped around my glistening body, I pulled out the black, lacy, tummy tucking, cellulite pushing, hamhock rounding girdle, and it's matching "lifting those bazooms like they're filled with helium" bra. A smart woman always has Plan C tucked away somewhere.

Okay, so I had to take baby steps, and walk sideways, and I couldn't

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City Council Meeting Tuesday Concerns Water Contingency

The Cross Plains City Council will meet on Tuesday, August 15, at 6:00 p.m. for the second reading of Ordinance #2000-001, An Ordinance of the City of Cross Plains, Texas, Adopting a Drought Contingency Plan.

All citizens are invited to attend. For further information concerning the matter, please call City Hall at (254) 725-6114.

School Board to Meet Tuesday, August 15th

A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Cross Plains Independent School District will be held on Tuesday, August 15, beginning at 6:00 p.m. in the Cross Plains High School Administrative Board Room. Budget Workshop will be main subject of discussion.

Notice of the session was given by Jackie Tension, Superintendent.

Carpeting Project Progressing for TRIAD/S.A.L.T.

Something good is about to happen! The Callahan County TRIAD/Seniors and Law Enforcement Together Advisory Council has been busy. We want to share the good news with everyone in the community.

The members of the council have funds earmarked to be used for carpeting for the Cross Plains Multi-Purpose Center. Isn't that GREAT NEWS?

We now could use just a little help in accomplishing this endeavor. We are now accepting donations to assist in obtaining and installing carpeting at the Multi-Purpose Center. We will keep you updated each month in the local newspaper to indicate the progress of the donations until we reach the goal of \$2,000.00. This will cover the costs of the purchase and installation of the carpet.

The acquisition of the new carpeting will greatly improve and enhance the usefulness of the center.

Several local organizations use the center for meetings, etc. plus families and groups often use the building and facilities for reunions, receptions and the like.

Reservations of the building for next year are coming in at a very rapid pace. These folks usually make a nice donation. Some of these funds have been accumulated and are a portion of the funds applied toward carpeting. TRIAD has approximately half the funds needed for both the carpet and installation. If you have a little spare change, it can really be put to good use to help on this project.

If you can help, please call Joe Howser at (254) 725-7351 or Kay Mosely at (254) 725-6420. Your donation will be greatly appreciated, whether great or small, it is important to your community. Donations will be accepted from businesses, organizations or individuals. Let's talk --- how about today?

It's going to look so nice and we wish to extend our heartfelt thank you to all who participate in this endeavor. Cross Plains is a caring community and a proud one!!!

Submitted by Kay Mosley
Sec./Treas.

City Council Addressed Multiple Topics Dillard Receives Icehouse — Barr Fabrication Loan/Grant Discussed

This was a regular meeting of the Cross Plains City Council on August 1, 2000. All members were present. Minutes of the last meeting were approved as read.

Don Gosnell, Chief of Police, met with the council to give his police report. He reported eighty-six calls for service, one assault, two thefts, one forgery and two criminal mischiefs. There were sixty-eight warnings and seventy-six citations written. Gosnell also discussed the broken window at the Senior Citizen Center and informed the council that the individual who broke the window had agreed to make restitution. He also informed the council he had spoken to the individual who had broken the glass out of the Dairy Queen door and they have agreed to make restitution. No charges have been filed at this time on the individuals unless restitution is not made. By general consent the council accepted the police report as presented.

Bob Hill, Municipal Judge, reported seventy-four citations for July with two being filed in county court. He reported thirty-nine remaining outstanding, sixteen remain outstanding for June, and nine remain outstanding for May. There were fourteen reminder letters sent. By general consent the council accepted the report as presented.

Steve Mack, EDC President, met with the council to update them on the plans and recommendation of the EDC board. Barr Fabrications is requesting a \$10,251.00 loan/grant from the EDC to build an office and do wiring for the new facility, proposing to relocate to Cross Plains.

Terms of the loan/grant are for three years, with 6.5 percent interest per annum, with a single payment due at maturity. Collateral will consist of the portable office building, legal costs to be borne by Barr Fabrications, principal and interests on the loan will be forgiven at maturity if they are employing at least ten full time employees for the six month period ending with the maturity of the loan, and must provide financial statements showing an investment of \$150,000.00 before the loan is made. Steve also informed the council that Dana Hall and Bud Dillard were the only applicants for the icehouse and the EDC board have voted and recommended to the council to award the building to Dana Hall.

Dana Hall presented the council with her proposal on the use of the icehouse. She proposed to leave the building in its original state with improvement to the kitchen, bathrooms and some cosmetic improvements and stated that the building would be based for a bar-b-que restaurant.

Denise Coulter, a concerned citizen, ask to speak concerning the matter. She stated that as a business owner located next to this building, one concern of hers was the parking situation. She stated that this building has very little parking and was concerned that patrons of the bar-b-que would park in front of her building, therefore, causing parking problems for her patrons. She also stated that she felt the competition was good for a community, however, she

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Cross Plains School Students Begin Class Tuesday, August 15

Summer is almost over and school will be starting soon. Tuesday, August 15, high school students will report to their designated room assignments. Elementary students will report to their homeroom.

High school students who have not obtained their schedules will need to check the bulletin board across from the principal's office. New students who have not registered will need to report to the library.

Breakfast will be served in the cafeteria from 7:30 to 7:55 a.m. Classes will begin at 8:00 a.m. and end at 3:40 p.m. Buses will run at 3:45 p.m. Elementary students will need to be dropped at the back of the school in the morning and picked up in the front at the end of the day.

Drivers will need to be careful as they proceed through school zones. Also, remember to stop for buses that are loading and unloading children.



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FLY FREE — Win AmericanEagle/American Airlines Tickets at Cross Plains Barbarian Festival, Cook-off and Car Show

The Barbarian Festival Committee will be raffling two round trip tickets on American Eagle/American Airlines. The tickets are compliments of American Airlines, American Eagle and Eagle Aviation Services, Inc.

Chances are going to be raffle for one dollar each. The drawing will be held on the Cross Plains Barbarian Festival, Cook-off and Car Show on Saturday, September 2nd. You are not required to be present to win. The lucky winner will receive two round

trip tickets from Abilene on American Eagle Airlines. You will fly to Dallas where you will then connect to American Airlines and fly to any of their destinations in the 48 Continental United States, Bermuda, Bahamas, Caribbean Islands, Virgin Islands, Mexico or Canada.

Tickets will be sold at the festival and are currently being sold at these locations in Cross Plains: Chamber of Commerce office, Citizens State Bank, Coyote Flat/Bargain Barn, Food Plaza,

Higginbotham's, Jean's Feed Barn, Lakeway Grocery, Lawrence Farm and Ranch, Ophelia's, Subway and Taste of Texas produce stand. For additional information call (254) 725-6836.

Hunters Safety Class Set for August 19-20

The Texas Parks and Wildlife Department will host a Hunter Safety Class on August 19 and 20.

The class will be 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. on Saturday at the Baird School Cafeteria. Sunday's schedule will feature a trip to the Callahan County Shooting Range for live firing exercises and a Hunter Skills trail. Sunday's class time will be from 2:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. Class size is limited so be sure and call ahead of time to pre-register.

All hunters born on or after September 2, 1971 must successfully complete a Hunter Education Training Course. If you were born on or after September 2, 1971, and you are:

- age 17 and over, you must pass the course before hunting
- age 12 through 16, you must either pass the course or hunt with a licensed adult hunter.
- under age 12, you must hunt with a licensed adult hunter.

Minimum age for certification is 12 years.

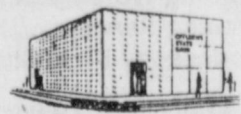
The cost for this Hunter Safety Class is \$10.00.

A Texas Parks and Wildlife Hunter Safety Class will be held in Baird on the dates listed above. For more information or to pre-register, call either Game Warden Vance Wallace at 854-1135 or Hunter Safety Instructor Bob Robinson at 893-5625 after 7:00 p.m.

Athletic Boosters Club Meeting Monday, Aug. 14

The Cross Plains Athletic Booster Club will hold a meeting Monday, August 14, 2000 at 7:00 p.m. in the foyer of the gym. This meeting will begin our new year of planning and officers will be elected. All persons interested in supporting our young people in the athletic programs they participate in are encouraged to attend.

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ATM NOW IN USE AT BANK — Dana McDade (right), with assistance from Steve Mack, tries out his new ATM card at Citizens State Bank. McDade was the first customer issued an ATM card due to his persistent inquiries about it. Citizens State Bank will begin issuing ATM cards to all customers beginning August 14. Call 725-6141 for further information.

Courthouse News

COUNTY COURT
Roger Corn, presiding
Misdemeanor Filings

Jeremiah L. Wilson, resisting arrest.
Margie J. Lind, driving while intoxicated (DWI).
Michael A. Cannon, DWI.
Michael D. Stroud, driving while license suspended.
Tommy L. Lee, DWI.
Michael A. Denny, DWI.
Linda R. Price, theft of property by check.
Richard Cody, theft of property by check.
Mandy Bushnell, theft of property by check.
Andre Allen Jr., theft of property by check.

Misdemeanor Minutes

William Jolly, motion to suppress denied.
Ben McDougal, motion to suppress denied.
Pamela Gay Huffman, motion to revoke probation and adjudicate granted.
Cindy Watts, transfer request from Coleman Co. to Concho Co. granted.
Michelle Carter, transfer request from Callahan Co. to Midland Co. granted.
Jonathan B. Dunn, order extending probation granted.

Marriage Licenses

Timothy Carr Campbell and Angela Kellie Deel, both of Clyde.

Colonial Oaks Services

First United Methodist will conduct worship services at Colonial Oaks Nursing Home on Sunday, August 13, commencing at 3:30 p.m.

42nd DISTRICT COURT
John Weeks, presiding

Civil Filings

Ricky Don Ballard and Brenda S. Ballard, divorce.
Providian National Bank vs. Michael M. Simpson, default on account.
Steven Pradell dba Pradell & Associates vs. Kristi Kendrick, foreign judgment.
Christopher Lee Hartness, name change.

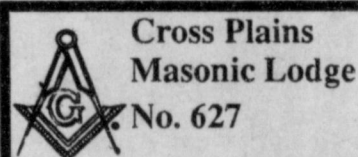
Civil Minutes

Bobby J. Morris and wife, Myrna A. Morris and Caprock Pipe & Supply Company vs. Larry Whitehead, order of dismissal with prejudice granted.

Scottie Ray Ayers and Debra Kay Ayers, individually and as next friends of Michelle Ayers, a minor vs. Shane Hutcherson and Billie Hutcherson, final judgment, minor plaintiff awarded \$15,000.

Criminal Minutes

Johnny Gonzales, order discharging defendant from probation granted.
Kevin J. Conner, order discharging defendant from probation granted.
Peter Jay Mercier, order discharging defendant from probation granted.



Cross Plains Masonic Lodge
No. 627
Stated Meeting
1st Thursday, 7:30 p.m.
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<http://www.gltexas.org>
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Cross Timbers Southern Baptist Association to Meet at Mangum Baptist Church August 24th

Cross Timbers Southern Baptist Association will be meeting Thursday, August 24, at Mangum Baptist Church south of Eastland on Highway 6 (turn west on the county road at the church sign).

The Executive Board Meeting and WMU Meeting begin at 5:30 p.m. with supper served at 6:00 p.m. The evening meeting begins at 7:00 p.m. Special music will be presented by "The Solid Rock Singers". The guest speaker for the evening is Jim Everidge, former pastor of First Baptist at Sachse, and now a full-time evangelist.

Mangum Baptist pastor, Chad Gosnell, invites all area churches to attend. Brother Everidge will be preaching on the importance of prayer in the life of the church.

Cross Timbers Southern Baptist Association has twenty member churches located in Brown, Callahan, Comanche, Eastland, Stephens and Taylor counties.

For more information about this meeting or the association, contact Dwaine Clower, Association Moderator at (254) 725-7574.

Obituaries

Gayle W. Baize

Lake Coleman-Gayle W. Baize, 83, died Sunday, August 6, 2000, at his home.

Services were held at 11 a.m. Wednesday at the Parker Funeral Home Chapel with Paige Baize officiating and Arlon Baize assisting. Burial was at 1 p.m. at Fairview Cemetery at Tuxedo.

Mr. Baize was born in Gatesville. He had lived in Coleman for six years and moved there from Lake Proctor.

He was a farmer and a retired superintendent of Bridge Construction. He was a Church of Christ member and was a board member of the community center at Lake Coleman. He was inducted into the Gospel Music Hall of Fame in Grandbury and married Earlene Rorie in 1939.

Survivors include his wife, Earlene Baize of Lake Coleman; one daughter; Linda Merlene Gattis of Abilene; one son, Van Baize of Bowie; one brother, Novel Baize of Baird; one sister, Grace Box of Pecos; three grandchildren; numerous nieces and nephews.

Visitation was 9:30-10:30 a.m. Wednesday at the funeral home.

David Abbott

David Abbott, age 49, of Brownwood, died Saturday in Proctor. A memorial service will be held at 2 p.m. Saturday, August 12, at the Wiley Funeral Home Chapel in Granbury.

Mr. Abbot was born July 25, 1951, in Brady. He operated Abbott Pest Control in Brownwood with his mother, Juanita Abbott, for many years.

He was preceded in death by his parents, James and Juanita Abbott.

Survivors include two sons, Garrett Harmsen and Jordan Harmsen, both of Austin; two daughters, Jamie Thompson and husband, Wes, of Granbury and Jennifer Eisenbach of San Angelo; a brother, Gary Abbott and wife, Linda, of Brownwood; and four grandchildren.

Memorials may be made to the Downtowner's Alcoholics Anonymous in Brownwood.

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Family Night Support Supper August 17

A Family Night Support Supper is scheduled for Thursday, August 17, at 5:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. at Canterbury Villa, 1404 Front Street, Cisco.

Speakers for the evening will be Tammy Odom with (CTO) Central Texas Opportunities and Jennifer Brudney with

(CARR) City and Rural Rides. Each will present a 15 minutes

program beginning at 6:30 p.m.

Please RSVP to Glenda or Shalonda at (254) 442-4202 if you plan to attend the supper by August 15th.

DOWN HOME—

move from my bottom to my knees. But, I was firm! Oh no, I had to use the bathroom. I quickly side-stepped to the lady's room.

I was happy until I looked down. I had a chin-rest. And I couldn't see my feet. And, I had to put on my pantyhose and shoes. Why did buy heels with buckles? Ohhh, good grief, I had to BEND! What if my struggle has been in vain? What if everything shifts when I bend over? And I had to go to the bathroom again!

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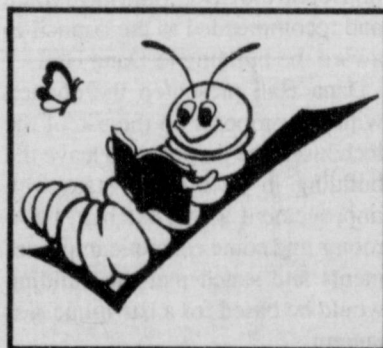
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July 31 - August 4

Hi! Please check out the great list of audio cassettes the library has recently acquired. Here are a few examples: It Takes a Village - Hillary Rodham Clinton; The Witness - Sandra Brown; Hornet's Nest - Patricia Cornwell; Iced - Carol Higgins Clark; Airframe - Michael Crichton; The Notebook - Nicholas Sparks; The English Patient - Michael Ondaatje.

See? And this is just a beginning. Come --- see for yourselves.

Memorials:

For Dan Childress - by Dick and Blanche Thrasher, Hollis and Cherry Shults, Mattie Faye Wilson, Charles and Lou Rodenberger, Bobby Hinkle

For Fred McNeel - Bobby Hinkle, Mattie Faye Wilson

For Blanton Freeland - Bobby Hinkle

Honorarium for Jack and Kathryn Tunnell, Richard and Mary Ann Chaffin, Hollis and Cherry Shults by Charles and Lou Rodenberger

Donations: Jack and Kathryn Tunnell, Margaret Waring, Clovis Simons (labor on corner lot)
Correction from July 27 paper: Richard and Mary Ann Chaffin gave a memorial for Florence Hildebrand (Florence Hildebrand did not give a memorial to Homer Hilburn).

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Washington

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

Charles Stenholm, Congressman, 17th Texas District, 1211 Longworth House Office Building, Washington, D.C. 20515

Phil Gramm, U.S. Senator, Room 570 Russell Building, Washington, D.C. 20510-4302

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

Selected Scriptures

Trouble and anguish have overtaken me, Yet your commandments are my delights.

-- Psalm 119:143

Rejoice always.

-- 1 Thessalonians 5:16

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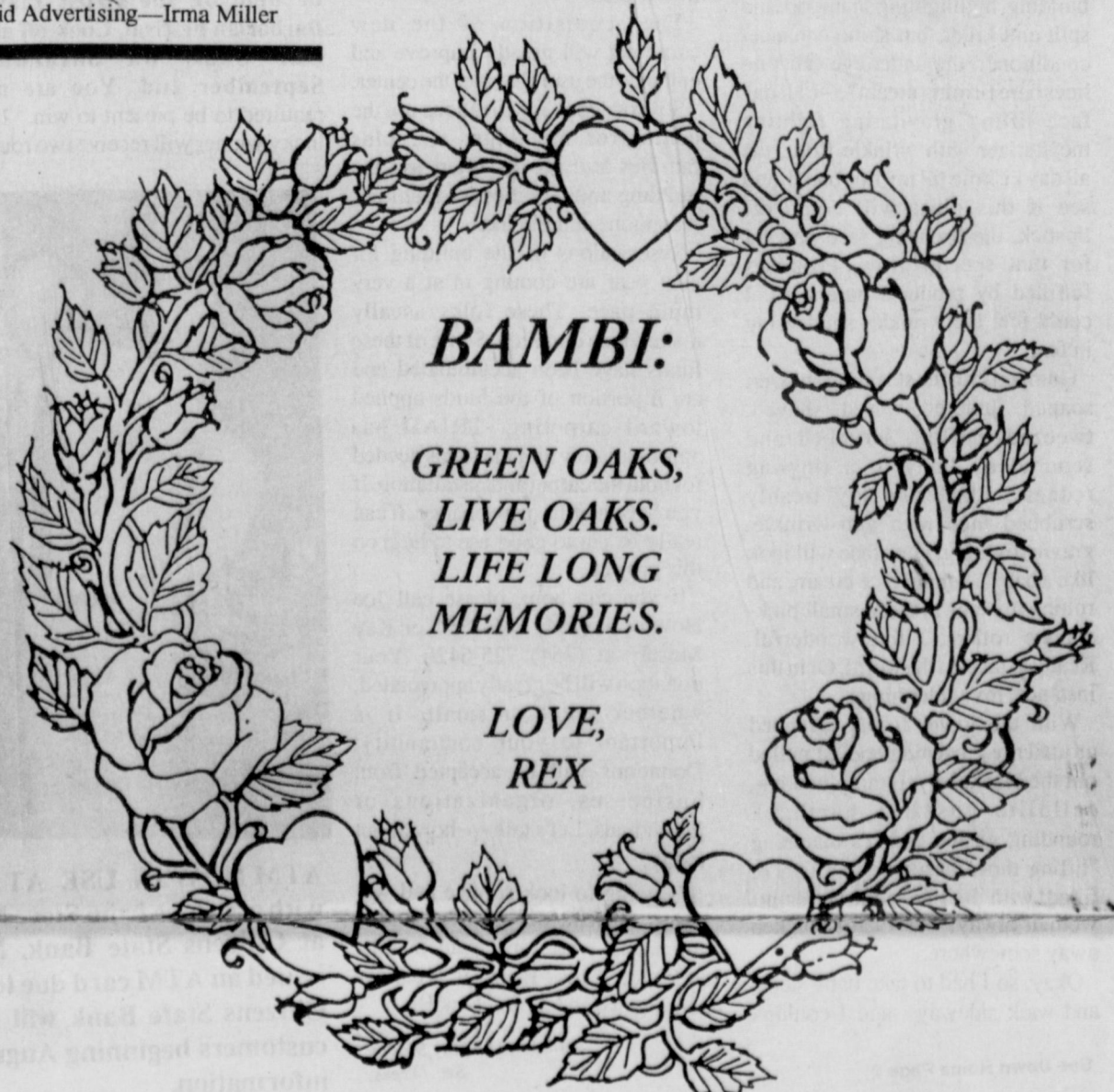
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By: Linda Merritt

Jackie Turner was chosen as the employee for this month. She was born on April 3, 1959, in Oklahoma. She is 41 years old. Jackie has been an employee at Colonial Oaks for five years. She enjoys horseback riding and going to rodeos. Her favorite food is spaghetti and pizza. Jackie was presented a gift certificate to Jean's Feed Barn. Congratulations Jackie!

Our thoughts and prayers for June Culvahouse who is in the hospital.

Appreciation to Mike Mayo and Stormie Jones for the Subway sandwiches and to Dee Harrell for the fingernail polish.

Kim, Thor, Zed and Aspen Woerner visited with Blackie Reynolds.

Luke McKenzie visited with Carl McKenzie.

Dub and Beth Meador visited with Nan Stiles. Also Mary Dawson.

Lurene McNutt visited with Louise Richardson.

Violet Edward from Cisco, Deborah Griswold, Michael Curry, Stanley and Norma Goble visited with Delilah Goble.

Victor Shesler and Sylvia from Grand Prairie visited with Victor Long.

Charleene McGowen of Brownwood and Naomi McCowen visited with Raymond McCowen.

Activities during the week:



JACKIE TURNER

Monday - Bingo winners were Maxine Crisp, June Hickman, Vera Belyeu (2) and Louise Richardson (2). Exercise Class.

Tuesday - Art Class. Singing with Dorothy Reynolds.

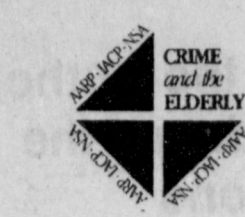
Wednesday - Sing-a-long with Bob Wallace. Exercise Class. Skip-Bo games.

Thursday - Manicures. Ball toss. Skip-Bo games.

Friday - Bingo winners were Vera Belyeu, Falba Shofner (2), Minnie Swann and Louise Richardson (2). Popcorn social. Skip-Bo games.

Sunday - First United Methodist Church

When one helps another, both are strong.



TRIAD NEWS

Minutes of the Callahan County TRIAD/Seniors and Law Enforcement Together Advisory Council meeting of July 12, 2000; Cross Plains Multi-Purpose Center, 3:00 p.m.

The meeting was called to order by Esther Kerr, Chairman.

All officers of the advisory council were present as follows: Anita Mays - Coordinator, Esther Kerr - Chairman, Leonard Farmer - Co-Chairman and Kay Mosely - Secretary/Treasurer.

A motion was made by Leonard Farmer that the minutes be approved as received in the mail, and Joe Howser seconded. The motion carried.

The treasurer's report was not given and will be included in the next minutes received in the mail (which will be mailed to council members only).

The following items were discussed at the meeting: The Barbarian Festival which is to be held September 2; TRIAD will have the hamburger booth. A motion was made by Kay Mosley that we charge \$2.50 for a hamburger and chips. The motion was seconded by Farmer and the motion carried.

The next item discussed was the carpeting for the Multi-Purpose Center and the financial progress to date.

Proceeds from the sale of Smart Alert special light bulbs were turned in to the treasurer by Joe Howser. He gave a report on the displaying program at the Senior Citizens Center; of the special blinking bulbs which are to aid emergency personnel in locating your home in times of emergency. He reported on the amount sold and collected. A few more were yet to be delivered and collected for.

Another topic under discussion was accepting donations for part of the carpeting to go along with the funds already available.

Another point of discussion was obtaining tile for the men's room.

Anita reported that John Windham will be attending school in August to be certified to inspect for the Neighborhood Watch program here.

Leonard inquired as to progress on the problem of children playing in the street in an area where there is substantial traffic, especially on weekends. Anita reported the problem taken care of.

At this time Esther called on Betty Edwards for her report from the Food Pantry and the Clothes Closet.

She reported the mission committee of the Methodist Church met and discussed an advisory board for the Pantry and the Closed Closet. She also reported those named to the board.

She reported that the shelves needed for the Pantry are built and installed. They are still receiving donations of food and clothing. Betty plans to attend a seminar on Friday. She was also reporting 13 families served for the month of June; they assisted one person in locating work and are networking with the Food Stamps and WIC.

A member of the council reported the possibility of not being able to attend the August meeting due to the scheduled surgery of an immediate family member.

The meeting was adjourned.
Submitted by Kay Mosley, Sec/Treas
Callahan County TRIAD/S.A.L.T.

Sadler and Purcell Families to Meet Sunday

In honor and memory of birthdays of Ora Mauldin Sadler and Lela Byrd Purcell, their families and friends annual meeting will be at the Multi-Purpose Center in Cross Plains on Sunday, 13th.

Please bring a dish for the noon meal.

Class of 1982 Addresses Needed

The Cross Plains High School Class of 1982 needs the addresses of the following classmates: Janna Higginbotham, Jerry Ingram, Connie Neeb, Carl Sohns, Randy Rucker, Rhonda Waggoner, John Long, Glynn Robinson, and Gregory Robertson.

Please Shelli Hartman at (915) 395-2341 or Greg Hutchins (254) 725-7558 or (254) 725-7571.

Your cooperation would be appreciated.

SENIOR CITIZENS MENU

August 14 - August 18
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TUESDAY--Baked Chicken, Vegetable Medley, Potato Salad, Sugar Cookie, Bread, Milk
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THURSDAY--Baked Ham, Black-Eyed Peas, Rose Benny Salad, Carrot Cake, Cornbread, Milk
FRIDAY--Hamburger on Bun, Baked Beans, Pineapple Chunks, Cherry Cheesecake, Milk

WWII 87th Infantry Division to Reune on September 10-17 in Virginia

On September 10 to September 17, 2000, the 87th (Golden Acorn) Infantry Division will hold and celebrate its 51st annual reunion at the Fairview Park Marriott in Falls Church, Virginia.

The combat ability of the 87th Infantry Division was held in high regard by General George Patton, Commander of the U.S. Third Army, and this Division received 3 Bronze Battle Stars for its most valiant efforts in the battles of the Ardennes, Rhineland and Central Europe.

For additional information of the 87th Infantry Division Reunion and the 51st annual reunion; contact Gladwin Pascuzzo, 2374 N. Dundee Ct., Highland, Michigan 48356-3716. Telephone (248) 887-9005 or by e-mail, GAPEX1@aol.com.

Callahan County DPS Report

Calls received by the Callahan County Department of Public Safety from July 30, 2000 through August 5, 2000 include:

- Cases Investigated
- Warnings-69
- Complaints-108
- Vehicle Accidents
- There were two vehicle accidents investigated during this time span.
- People Arrested On Outstanding Warrants
- There were two outstanding warrants issued for a total of \$600.00 collected.

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Quips, Clips & Comments

By: Kay Mosley

"If I Were a Butterfly"

Wouldn't it be glorious to float through the sunny breezes on lovely wings of gossamer? To fly ever higher, soaring loftily in thoughts as well as in body and spirit.

What a lovely experience to spread ones wings in the cool morning light and to flutter rejoicing with great delight into a beautiful bed of blossoming posies. Flowers of such beauty, color and grace you are instantly reminded of potpourri, silks and of lace.

Finally to come to rest, softly landing on petals of fluffy color; the soft raindrops begin to fall, splashing merrily in great delight.

Droplets of silvery moisture remain where they have fallen on delicate wings of gold. Hastily from dainty petals to sheltering, shimmering leaves, they escape to settle luxuriously in comfort and await the refreshing rivulets of rain. Raindrops which seem to bestow the look of dewy kisses sparkling upon the velvety rose.

I can only vaguely imagine the heights of exotic ecstasy attainable while resting atop leaves, high and dry, while viewing the veritable shine of those exquisitely formed, dancing droplets of rain.

Oh, what summits I could attain, in summer sun or sparkling rain-----
"If I Were a Butterfly!"

Harris-Brown Reunion Held in Cross Plains Recently

On Saturday, July 22, the Brown and Harris families met for their annual reunion at Cross Plains. The reunion convened at a new location -- the Cross Plains Community Center. There was much visiting between family members and remembrances of times gone by. Music was provided by family members which also brought back fond memories. Door prizes were given, crafts were auctioned, and a delicious meal was enjoyed by all. Several said it was the best reunion in recent memory.

Officers elected for the year 2001 were: President, Allen Harris and Secretary/Treasurer, Zenobia Vemer.

Close to one hundred people were present with 70 registered including: from Coleman - Virgil and Evelyn Adams, Frances and Grady Harris, R.E. Harris, Erma Tomlinson, Lorene Gray, Kathy Service, Solitaire Harris, Shiloh Harris and Kathreyn Phillips; from Proctor - J.O. and Peggy Bradford; Brownwood - Elmer Hounshell, Cody Hounshell and Christi Rater; Iowa Park - Bob and Bonnie Illingworth, Elsie Porter; Houston - Zenobia Vemer; South Houston -

Robert Adams; Cisco - Raymond and Helen Hounshell; Strawn - Charlie and Judy Hounshell; Archer City - Juanita Sheppard; Comanche - Virgie Adams; McCamey - A.B. Harris, Allen and Kellie Harris, James and Tenia Idell, Julianne and James Idell, Shelby and Adam Wright; Bangs - Homer Purcell, Mertie Brown, Gary and Dana Hounshell, Hannah Payne, Horace and Wilma Hounshell; Amarillo - Paul and Marie Davis; Burkett - Patrick Adams; Burkburnett - the Greer family (five in all); Cross Plains - Bill and Judy Porter, Pam Porter; Decatur - David and Tamara Brown and family; Waco - Bob and Susan Harris; Killeen - Rocky Harris, Raymond Harris; Midland - Howard and Lois Brown; Santa Anna - Vivian Harris; Ranger - Lowell and Carolyn Brown; Keller - Martha Terry; Hurst - Don and Colleen Gray; Henrietta - JoAnn Rater; Lufkin - J.C. and Joyce Hounshell; Monahans - Justin Heath; and Clyde - Larry Hounshell. This was an excellent group from around the state. All family members are encouraged to watch for next year's meeting and to attend.

Submitted by Virgil Adams

Woody Reunion at Lake Leon Enjoyed by Family and Friends

There were only 36 people at the Woody Retreat at La Mancha Ranch Lake Leon but you would have thought there were many more. They had food galore, boating, fishing, swimming and talking of bad times, good times, things of the past and present, and no one to tell them to leave. There was food for all, as they had their noon and evening meal together. Breakfast was on your own. They also had church services Sunday morning.

Those present were: Jim and Thaila Robertson, Carrie Fritz,

Kandle Clark, Eugene and Nelda Wilcoxon, Rhonda Crawford, David and Mandy Fritz, Marvin Wilcoxon, Junior and Cherey Bowers, Teddy and Susan Bowers, Chuck and Elva May Woody, Kimberley, Ryan and Ashleigh Bowers, Darrell and Soudra Woody, Pete and Matthew Barbar, Bruce Woody, Johnny, Kathy, Cody and Courtney Gonzales, Minnie L. Woody and Dorothy Woody.

Visitors were: La Donna Duff, Jennifer Bilbrey, Sarah Davis, Matt Hollis and Will and Jordan Christie.

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I heard the story of an executive in New York City who was headed for the subway after late hours at the office. As he walked along, he heard footsteps behind him; he picked up his pace as he suspected the follower to be a mugger. When he realized that he probably could not escape by running, and thinking very fast, he decided what he would try. He slapped his pockets, whirled around as if to return to his office, acted as if he just noticed the follower, and asked him: "Do you have 60 cents I can borrow or have; I just realized I'm flat broke and I've got to catch the subway!" Somewhat stunned, caught off guard for sure, the potential mugger said: "Uh, yeah, I guess I do" -- and gave the executive two quarters and a dime.

Without getting into "situation ethics," you have to admit that is fast thinking! That's turning an obstacle into an opportunity. A positive attitude can take a bad thing and turn it into an advantage. It's "taking lemons and making lemonade."

A crowning example of One turning a bad thing into something good is the core of the Good News. Jesus has a crown of thorns and a cross to literally bear and be crucified upon. Show me any person who lived such a simple life, died such a shameful and horrible death -- and yet is so famous, still today, nearly 2000 years later. You can't. Nobody comes close! It is because He turned such a bad thing into something so good -- salvation for all mankind!

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C.P. STUDENT REVIEW



BOOK COVERS ARRIVED — Just in time for school. Superintendent Jackie Tennison, Cross Plains ISD, looks over one of the "Tools for Schools" book covers he received from the Texas Department of Transportation. These book covers are being delivered to elementary school children throughout the Abilene district. With Tennison is Brenda Mitchell, Abilene district traffic safety coordinator. (TxDOT photo by Mary Beth Kilgore)

C.P. Elementary Receives "Tools for Schools" Book Covers

Cross Plains Elementary school children will be covering school-books this year with TEX and DOT's "Tools for Schools" book covers provided by the Texas Department of Transportation.

TEX and DOT are two cartoon characters that along with their dog Buckles, help TxDOT provide information about transportation and safety.

Mary Beth Kilgore and Brenda Mitchell visited with Cross Plains Superintendent Jackie Tennison last week and delivered the book covers that promote TxDOT's new Internet-based educational resource for students and teachers.

Kilgore, Abilene district public information officer, said that the TxDOT's kid's page has something for every student regardless of age or reading level.

"The page contains photos and facts on a variety for transportation topics that including road and bridges; construction equipment and machines; different kinds of transportation; school safety; traffic signals and signs; recycling; litter prevention; archeology; bats; coastal erosion and

wildflowers."

The web site also contains facts about Texas, coloring pages that include K-1 level text and a section with puzzles and TEX and DOT's Coloring and Activity Book.

Mitchell, district safety coordinator, added that along with information for students, there is a resource page for teachers.

"The Teacher's Tote Bag contains links to many educational Web sites. As TxDOT continues to develop this teacher's resource page, we will provide publications for teachers to download and print from the Web site to enhance classroom instruction on a variety of transportation-related topics."

Kilgore and Mitchell are presently visiting elementary schools in the Abilene district's 13-county area. They are delivering the "Tools for Schools" book covers and discussing the Department's new web site with school administrators.

Look for the Tools for Schools logo on TxDOT's Home page at www.dot.state.tx.us.

Morgan Receives Distinguished Service Award

Marc Morgan was recently awarded the Vocational Agriculture Teachers Association of Texas Distinguished Service Award for his 10 years of service to agricultural science and education.

This award is designed to commend individuals who are dedicated and supportive of agricultural education in Texas. Morgan was presented his award during the Agriculture Teachers' Professional Development Conference on Wednesday, August 2, 2000 in Lubbock.

"This year's conference focused on the need for agriculture for a changing society," stated Ray Rabroker, Jr., president of the Vocational Agriculture Teachers Association of Texas. "As we move forward into the 21st Century, it's imperative that agriculture be recognized as a vital component of people's lives. This recognition begins in the classroom with students and we aim to continue to improve our teacher's knowledge and applicability of agriculture each year with our annual summer conference," said Rabroker.

In Texas, there are over 1,500 agricultural science and technology teachers that impact over 95,000 students who are enrolled in agricultural education classes at the secondary level. The vocational Agriculture Teachers Association of Texas is headquartered in Austin and aims to improve agriculture by teaching.

National FFA Scholarship Awarded to Local Student

The National FFA Organization awarded a \$1000 scholarship to Brandi Richey of the Cross Plains FFA Chapter. The scholarship is sponsored by Monsanto Company as a special project of the National FFA Foundation, Inc. Richey plans to use the funds to pursue a degree in Agribusiness at Tarleton State University. Richey's parents are Roy and Karen Richey of Cross Plains.

The Monsanto Company scholarship is one of 1540 awarded through the National FFA Scholarship Program this year. Over 200 corporate sponsors generously contribute more than \$1.7 million to support this program. This is the 17th year that scholarships have been made available through the National FFA Foundation by business and industry sponsors to reward and encourage excellence and enable students to pursue their educational goals.

Scholarship recipients were selected from more than 8,000 applicants from across the country. Selections were based on the applicant's academic record, FFA and other school and community activities, supervised agricultural experience program in agricultural education, career plans and financial need.

FFA is a national organization of 451,997 members preparing for leadership and careers in the science, business and technology of agriculture. The organization has 7,268 local chapters located throughout the United States, Puerto Rico, Guam and the Virgin Islands. FFA's mission is to make a positive difference in the lives of students by developing their potential for premier leadership, personal growth and career success through agricultural education. Local, state and national activities and award programs provide opportunities for students to apply knowledge and skills learned in the classroom.

Laminating Done At The Cross Plains Review

Meet the Author Introduces the Claytons

By BILLIE LOVING

The "Meet the Author" evening with the Claytons was a memorable experience. They had books and pamphlets on three tables, in the order of the dates of publication.

Dr. Clayton started with the first books, telling how he happened to write the book or, in some instances, the foreword. His humorous manner made almost every publication seem to be just accidental.

Mrs. Clayton followed with works that were in some way related to her family, the Irwins, who were among the first to settle in the Clear Fork of the Brazos area.

People came from surrounding towns including Eastland, Comanche and Cisco. Hometown folks who were interviewed spoke of this review and of the other reviews. Clara Nell Spencer said, "I really enjoyed the Claytons. It was down-to-earth. It is wonderful what the library is doing -- bringing such authors her." Alice Roby spoke of the wide variety of information and of the interesting pictures of ranch folks. She particularly enjoyed the Clayton's references to Elmer Kelton.

Smoky Callaway said it was nice and that he and his wife bought two or three books. His wife, Virginia Callaway, said she enjoyed hearing about the history of the west. Several ranchers whom the Clayton's talked about were clients of the attorney she had worked for. "I was new to Texas," she said, "and they were real Texas gentlemen."

James and Jean Alexander particularly enjoyed them. Mrs. Clayton was Jean's principal when she taught in Clyde.

After the review the guests were invited to the library for refreshments. Visiting and renewing friendships continued for an hour or more. The evening was a treat. The folks at the library invite all of you to come to enjoy these visits with authors. They are special!!!

Public Library Summer Reading Program Closes Winners Announced

The Cross Plains Public Library was full of excitement Wednesday, July 26, when Patches the clown can to entertain the children at the Summer Reading Program. The activities included magic tricks, jokes and prizes for all the children. Certificates were also awarded to all the children for participating in the 4 week Summer Reading Program.

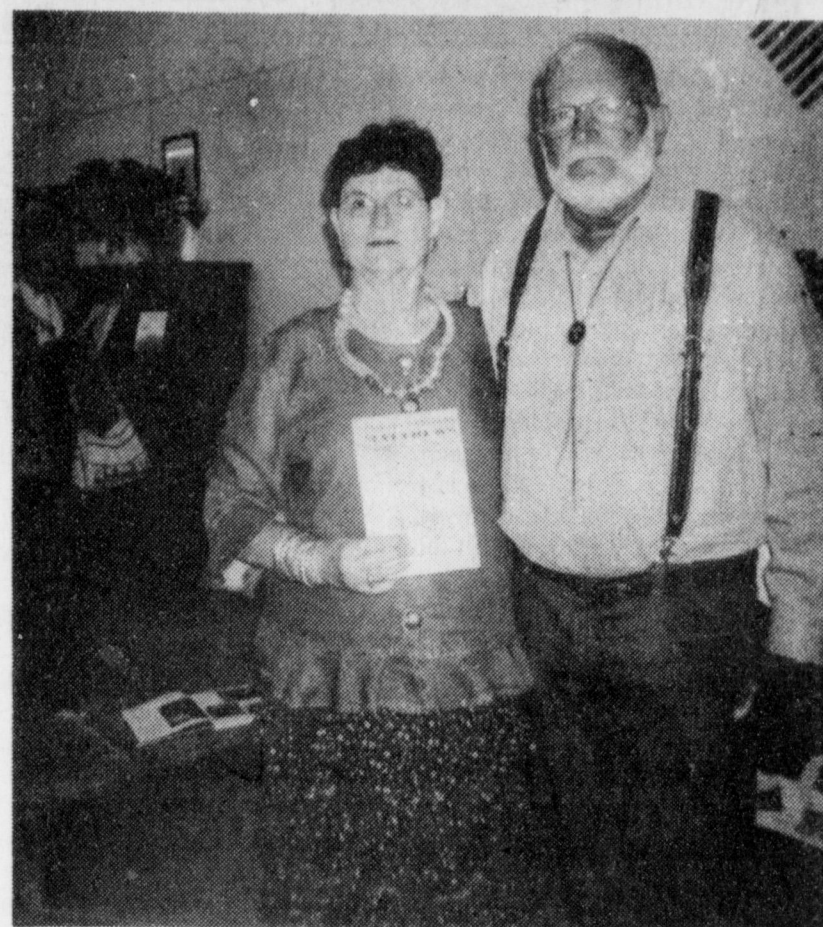
To promote reading, the children were asked to keep up with the number of minutes they read each week. The top readers were awarded prizes each week for reading the most number of minutes during the 4 week program. A Six Flags ticket was given to Julieanne Mack for reading 2,140 minutes.

Renee Byars was also awarded a Six Flags ticket for second place, having read 1,850 minutes. Tiffany Bell was given a backpack donated by Coca-Cola for third place.

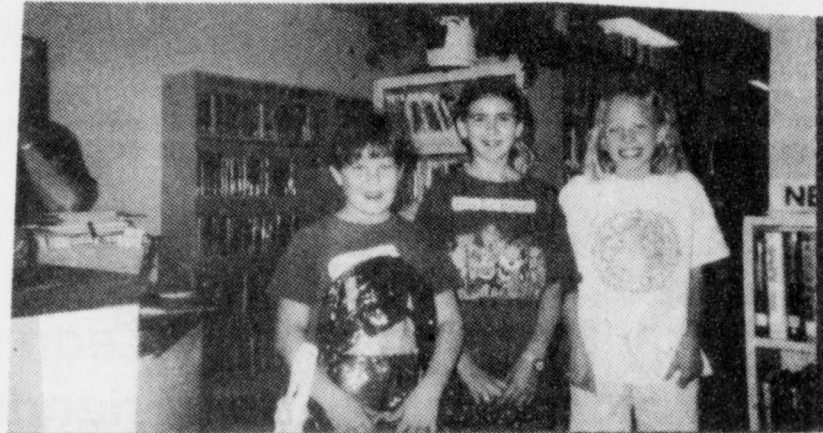
The Cross Plains Library recognizes the helpful teachers, Mattie Faye Wilson, Dianne Stover, Margie Sowell and Leslie Lawrence, who volunteered their time and effort to make the Summer Reading Program a big success.

We are looking forward to next year. See you at the library!

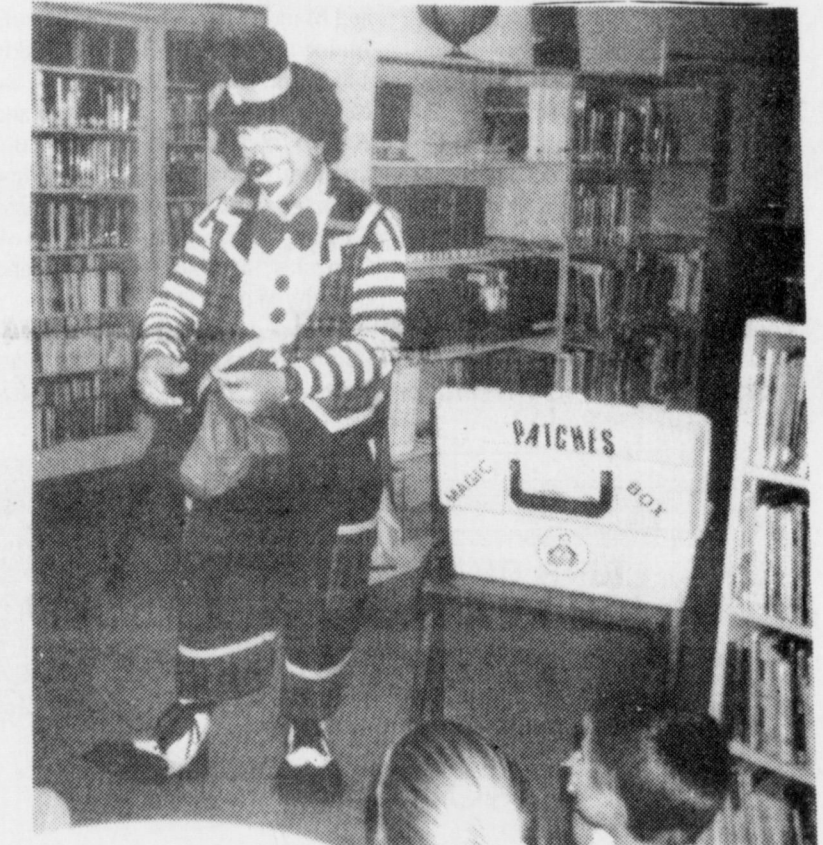
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SCHOOL MENU

August 15-August 18
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TUESDAY—Cereal, Toast, Assorted Juice
 WEDNESDAY—Cereal, Toast, Assorted Juice
 THURSDAY—Waffle, Sausage, Assorted Juice
 FRIDAY—Cinnamon Rolls, Assorted Juice.

LUNCH

TUESDAY—Corn Dogs, Baked Beans, Pickle Spears, Apple Wedges
 WEDNESDAY—Chicken Nuggets, Scalloped Potatoes, Green Beans, Rolls, Sliced Peaches.
 THURSDAY—Pizza, Salad, Corn, Rosy-Applesauce.
 FRIDAY—Hamburger, Lettuce, Tomato, Pickles, Fries, Cookie.

Pre-Packaged School Supplies Are Here!

Pre-packaged school supplies are in and may be picked up in the Elementary building on the following days:

Thursday 9:00-4:00
 Friday 9:00-4:00
 Monday 9:00-4:00

Extra packets were ordered and are available on a first come/first served basis. The sale of pre-packaged school supplies is sponsored by the Cross Plains PTO.

National School Lunch Program

Cross Plains ISD participates in the National School Lunch and Breakfast Program. An application packet will be sent home with each child the first day of school or you may pick up a packet at either of the principal's offices. If you would like further information regarding guidelines and eligibility, please call Margie Sowell, district program coordinator, at 254-725-6123.

Water Shortages Provoke New Ideas Meeting Set to Discuss Cloud Seeding in Callahan County

The present statewide drought has no doubt made many people aware of our dependence on water. Therefore, many of our surrounding local and county leaders have been discussing the development of a multi-county rain enhancement (cloud seeding) project which could include Callahan County.

What is Rain Enhancement? What are the benefits of rain enhancement? How will this program be funded? These are some of the most frequently asked questions. These questions and many more will be answered at a special meeting to discuss the development of a West Central Texas Weather Modification Association (WMA).

The meeting will be held on August 21, 2000, at 7:00 p.m. in the District Courtroom located on the third floor of the County Courthouse in Baird.

The meeting will be lead by Mr. George Bomar, TNRCC State Meteorologist and leading

proponent of weather modification. Mr. Bomar will be on hand to discuss the cloud-seeding process and share results from other weather modification associations. Also, the funding commitment needed from Callahan County to participate in the association will be discussed.

This meeting is open to anyone who is interested in learning more about this project, the objective of this is to serve as an educational effort to inform the general public of the possible benefits to Callahan County by participating in the development of this West Central Texas Weather Modification Association.

For more information on this meeting feel free to contact the County Extension Office at (915) 854-1518. If your interested in learning more about this opportunity make plans to attend August 21 at 7:00 p.m.

Submitted by Robert Pritz
County Extension Agent

Attention Farmers/Ranchers: Big Country Wheat Conference Set for August 24 at Abilene

The Big Country Wheat Conference will be held Thursday, August 24 at the Abilene Civic Center beginning with registration at 7:30 a.m. This year's program is designed to assist wheat producers in making management decisions in regard to their 2000-2001 wheat crop.

The first portion of the program will feature outlook information. Dr. Ernie Davis, Extension livestock economist, will give the outlook for the stocker cattle market and what price trends to expect. Next, Dr. Mark Walle, Extension economist-grain marketing and policy, will address supply and demand of wheat and provide price trends for this commodity. George Bomar, chief meteorologist with the TNRCC will present weather patterns for the 2000-2001 crop in regard to moisture expectations. Rounding out the first session will be Dr. Ken Stokes, Extension economist-management, discussing crop insurance options and updates.

After the break, Dr. David Worrall, Agripro, and Dr. Don Robinson, TAEX, will discuss seed supplies: public vs. private. The next presentation will feature Dr. Bill Pinchak presenting cool season grazing and alternatives. The final segment of the morning will be Dr. Travis Miller, Extension small grain specialist, discussing seeding rate and water use of wheat.

Following a catered lunch, Dr. Billy Warrick, Extension agronomist, will give a presentation of wheat information on the web. Next, Dr. Todd Baughman, Extension

agronomist, will discuss clear field systems of weed management in wheat. Dr. Roy Parker, Extension entomologist, will present the topics of on-farm storage and control of insects.

The final session of the conference will be a panel discussion of producers utilizing a no-till wheat program. This panel will be led by Dr. Travis Miller. The conclusion of the day will include industry updates and new developments.

In addition to the conference itself, there will be industry sponsored booths showcasing the latest technologies in wheat production.

Registration will be \$5.00 per person if received by August 21. After that date, cost will be \$15.00 per person. The registration includes lunch, breaks and a copy of proceedings. CEU's from the Texas Department of Agriculture will be awarded. For registration information, contact the Taylor County Extension Office at (915) 672-6048.

The Big Country Wheat Conference is joint effort of the Taylor County Wheat Task Force, and the Extension Offices in Callahan, Shackelford, Jones, Fisher, Nolan, and Taylor Counties.

Individuals with disabilities who require an auxiliary aid or accommodation are asked to contact the Taylor County Extension Service at (915) 672-6048, one week in advance of the program. Extension programs serve all people regardless of socioeconomic level, color, sex, religion, disability or national origin.

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DodgeCitySteaks.com has found its future in the past, returning to the time-consuming, labor-intensive dry aging process that goes back to the days when Fred Harvey served up excellent cuts of beef to rail passengers who stopped at his Harvey House restaurants along the old Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe rail line. One of those restaurants was in Dodge City, where a pair of sun dials still rest alongside the tracks, a reminder of the days when westbound train passengers reset their pocket watches from Central to Mountain Time.

Dodge City was a tough cowtown, a railhead where ornery cowboys who pushed herds of longhorns hundreds of miles from Texas came to slap off the trail dust and blow off some steam. But it wasn't all bar-room brawls and gunfights. The end of the trail was also a place to get a fine meal and that meal always centered around a good steak. DodgeCitySteaks.com still cuts 'em thick — up to an inch-and-a-half in many cases and warns its customers not to cook 'em pas medium-well, to savor the full flavor and succulence of the beef.

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The Cross Plains I.S.D. will meet in the High School Library on August 29, 2000 at 7:00 pm for the purpose of adopting the 2000-2001 school budget.

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It took hardly any effort at all. There existed just the right amount and type of light, moisture, and required trace elements, and boom...life springs forth!

All I contributed was a bucket and a bit of residual dirt covered by a quantity of water, which I never got around to emptying. The contents froze a little during the winter, stewed and simmered all spring.

This wellspring of resulting creatures needed no scientists, no construction of an artificial environment, and no elaborate testing or monitoring equipment. It was a success by mere chance. My best discoveries happen that way.

The bucket ecosystem was subject to all the laws of nature, affected by gravity, air pressure, humidity, etc. In addition, it was modified by irregular doses of sunlight and rainwater from an overhead source, and a few soggy leaves added by the whim of the wind and stirred by every breeze.

In late spring, MyKeeper mowed the overgrown grass between raindrops and we discovered a lawn, and the forgotten bucket.

I reached for the handle to toss out the water, but little floating things caught my eye. Closer inspection revealed life forms, shaped something like hot air balloons. Without rhythm or pattern, they bobbed to the surface, hesitated a moment at the interface of water and air, then began their descent again into the murky depths.

Staring, fascinated, the horrible thought ran through my head that I had almost sloshed a whole mineworld out over the ground.

Over the next few days, I did

nothing to alter their environment. They were an autonomous society, so I just observed and took notes.

What were they, I wondered, as they slowly developed. Was I ushering in a generation of frogs or toads?

After a few days they learned a trick. I thought they were very precocious.

Initially, all their up and down movement was random. Balloon forms hung suspended at various elevations throughout the depth of the bucket. Soon, though, the entire population would dive in unison at my approach. They can't even talk, but they learned this amazing trick!

A bit later, they developed tails, and I thought they must be frogs, for sure. Soon, they would abandon their bucket for the adventures of the great unknown.

There's a lot for them to learn, I thought, about the threats and dangers and far distances of the wide, wide world outside their plastic womb with a handle. They needed to know about fending for themselves, hunting for food, seeking shelter from storms — all the information necessary to ensure a quality of life. I felt so responsible.

A few days later, I happened by the bucket. The container of developing creatures was in direct sunlight. I noticed there was no frenzied dive to the bottom. Leaning closer, I saw most of them floating on top. Dead.

Guilt stung me for my inattention to their needs.

Then I looked closer. They were winged.

Yuk! I grabbed the bucket and dumped its contents mercilessly on the ground.

No tadpoles here. I was breeding mosquitoes!

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AUSTRALIAN VISITS OUR CITY — Tom Melton is pictured with Sue Swanton, a friend of his from Melbourne, Australia. She enjoyed looking at the antique equipment in the Cross Plains Review and visiting various businesses in town. Listening to her wonderful accent and experiencing her zest for life was refreshing

CITY COUNCIL

did not feel that it was good for the EDC to bring in a new business that is in direct competition with other eating establishments and give them a building to get started when other establishments had to purchase their buildings at fair market value to put in an eating establishment.

Terry Thomas, EDC Director, pointed out that anyone who was interested in the building had the opportunity to apply for the building but the EDC only had two above mentioned applicants. She also stated that the EDC does not have guidelines dictating that they would not bring in businesses that were in direct competition with other existing businesses.

Bud Dillard also presented the council with his proposal to use the building for his existing taxidermy business. He informed the council that the property that he now rents was recently being considered to be sold and would like to find a place of his own so that he would not have to worry about his business being sold out from under him. He informed the council that he has been in business since September 1996 in Cross Plains.

Jerry Casle moved to go into Executive Session at 7:00 p.m. Edwin Weiss seconded and motion carried.

Discussion was held at length concerning the Barr Fabrications loan grant and the two applicants for the icehouse building.

Jerry Casle moved to return to open meeting at 7:45 p.m. Edwin Weiss seconded and motion carried.

James Nichols moved that after hearing from concerned citizens and careful consideration of the parking situation and direct competition on to existing business to decline the EDC recommendations and award the icehouse building to Wild Texas Taxidermy. Jerry Casle seconded and motion carried with Dean Dillard abstaining from voting.

Joe Ingram moved to allow the loan/grant to Barr Fabrication L.L.C. as stated in the above-mentioned conditions. Dean Dillard seconded and motion carried.

Debbie Gosnell read the letter from WTU concerning changes in West Texas Utilities Tariffs.

Debbie Gosnell discussed the abandoned water line in Road 416 to her property. She informed the council that some of her immediate neighbors are not interested in being annexed inside the city limits and that they stated that they had plenty of water and a good septic system so there was no need to be annexed. However, Debbie informed the council that she is still interested in using the city's abandoned line to run water to her property. She stated that she would be responsible for her repairs to the line and also would set the meter at the city limits and be responsible for all leaks or other maintenance to the line. By general consent the council agreed to sell Debbie Gosnell the old line for \$1.00.

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AUGUST 17
Paula Kelley
Nelda Tennison
Angela (Newton) Barraclough
Scott Hutton
Tiffany Paige Holland
Frank O'Banion

Jerry Casle moved to pay bills. Dean Dillard seconded and motioned carried.

The Council discussed the drought Contingency Report and read the report in its entirety as was Ordinance 2000-001 adopting the Report. Several citizens were present for the report and discussion was

held. By general consent the council agreed to meet again on August 15, 2000 and 6:00 p.m. to read the report again and pass the Ordinance at the second reading.

Joe Ingram moved to adjourn. Edwin Weiss seconded and motion carried.

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BOOKBINDERS AT WORK—Ra-leigh D. Peeler, at top, and wife Lillie rebind one of 26 record books at the Callahan County Courthouse in Baird Friday, August 4. The Bonham, Texas bookbinding

couple has been at the courthouse in Baird rebinding the books containing births, deaths, marriage information, marks and brands, commissioners' court minutes and field notes which date back to 1877.



Katelynn Mitchell Participates in ABGA National Boer Goat Show

The ABGA National Boer Goat Show was held in Kerrville, Texas on June 8-10, 2000. Katelynn Mitchell participated in the open show with Autumn and Jazzman (pictured above) in the 0 to 3 month percentage doe classes. She was assisted in showing the pair by her dad Steven (Goober) Mitchell. Katelynn brought home a 1st and 5th place

ribbon in the individual class, 1st place in best pair, and reserve champion in produce of dam. Katelynn also took 5th place in the Junior Division with her 16 month old doe Cleopatra and 2nd place in the 36 month and over class. Katelynn is the granddaughter of Don and Vicky Burns and Scott and Brenda Mitchell, all of Baird

Well Known Bookbinder Finishes Task at Courthouse

Retirement is not a word in the vocabulary of 71-year-old bookbinder R.D. Peeler.

Peeler and with his wife Lillie, have been in Baird since Monday, July 31 rebinding some 26 old record books at the Callahan County Courthouse in Baird. The Bonham, Texas bookbinder, who has been rebinding books for 47 years, said Friday he never plans on retiring. "I don't even like that word. It's not even in the Bible," Peeler said while rebinding some county record books which date from 1877.

Peeler said the couple travels all over the United States rebinding old record books from courthouses around the country. Because the occupation of bookbinder is a dying art, Peeler said he and his wife stay busy throughout the year. Peeler said he has a backlog of 30 clients he'll get to after the first of the year.

Peeler has been binding books since the age of 27. His wife Lillie joined the company after their marriage and the couple has continued to bind books during their 43 years of marriage. The Peeler's son also learned the bookbinding craft while a young man, and works in the company as well. "When he was five weeks old, we started taking him with us," Peeler said.

"The young people are just not going into it (bookbinding occupation). There's no where to go to learn it," Peeler said of the bookbinding trade. Peeler said fortunately, his son attended a vocational school while in high school to master the trade of bookbinding.

Although some of the materials used to bind books are modern, Peeler said the first-time bookbinding techniques are still used today. "It hasn't changed much over the years," Peeler noted. He said the first bookbinders were the Monks, who learned their art during the time of the first printed page from the Gutenberg press.

He said their rebound books should last between 50 to 100 years. That is, if the books don't find their way to a copy machine. Peeler said using record books to

make copies from a copy machine, "just tears them up."

One new material used to bind books is a polyester tape which Peeler said won't discolor or tear. The bookbinder said if he was rebinding one book at a time, it would take about one day to assemble, including drying time. Rebound books still use leather covers and gold embossed lettering, Peeler said.

Of the 26 books the Peeler's are recovering in Baird, most include death, birth and marriage records, along with marks and brands record books, commissioner court minutes, field notes and book indexes.

The record books are used by the public mostly to trace a family's heritage, or as Peeler puts it "tree climbers."

Travelling all over the U.S., Peeler said some of the oldest books they have rebound date from 1600 at one of the first settlements in the United States—Yorktown, Virginia. Peeler said those first record books at Yorktown listed deeds, old wills and listed the owners of slaves.

Peeler said another interesting bookbinding job was in Lawrenceberg, Tennessee, home of Davy Crockett. Crockett was a one-time County Clerk in Tennessee, who later was killed defending the Alamo. Peeler said Lawrenceberg is home to the only known real signature of Crockett, who reportedly couldn't read or write.

The Peeler's also had a rebinding book job which included some family records of Abraham Lincoln, in Hodginsville, Kentucky.

After finishing up the work in Baird this week, Peeler said they're off to Haskell, Texas and then stops in Virginia and West Virginia.

"I've lived a pretty exciting life and met lots of interesting people," Peeler said of his travels.

Callahan County Clerk Jeanne Bohannon said the funds being used to restore the record books comes from a Record Management Money Account which can only be spent by the county clerk's department for preservation or automation.

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2000 Property Tax Rates in CALLAHAN COUNTY

This notice concerns 2000 property tax rates for CALLAHAN COUNTY. It presents information about three tax rates. Last year's tax rate is the actual rate the taxing unit used to determine property taxes last year. This year's effective tax rate would impose the same total taxes as last year if you compare properties taxed in both years. This year's rollback tax rate is the highest tax rate the taxing unit can set before taxpayers can start tax rollback procedures. In each case these rates are found by dividing the total amount of taxes by the tax base (the total value of taxable property) with adjustments as required by state law. The rates are given per \$100 of property value.

	General Fund	Farm to Market/ Flood Control Fund
Last year's tax rate:		
Last year's operating taxes	\$790,665	\$256,343
Last year's debt taxes	\$0	\$0
Last year's total taxes	\$790,665	\$256,343
Last year's tax base	\$280,079,702	\$270,119,073
Last year's total tax rate	0.282300/\$100	0.094900/\$100
This year's effective tax rate:		
Last year's adjusted taxes (after subtracting taxes on lost property)	\$782,094	\$253,188
/ This year's adjusted tax base (after subtracting value of new property)	\$282,289,863	\$275,840,812
- This year's effective tax rate for each fund	0.277053/\$100	0.091787/\$100
Total effective tax rate	0.368840/\$100	
This year's rollback tax rate:		
Last year's adjusted operating taxes (after subtracting taxes on lost property and including taxes for state criminal justice mandate)	\$782,094	\$253,188
/ This year's adjusted tax base	\$282,289,863	\$275,840,812
= This year's effective operating rate	0.277053/\$100	0.091787/\$100
x 1/08 = this year's maximum operating rate	0.299217/\$100	0.099129/\$100
+ This year's debt rate	0.000000/\$100	0.000000/\$100
= This year's rollback rate for each fund	0.299217/\$100	0.099129/\$100
This year's total rollback rate	0.398346/\$100	

Statement of Increase/Decrease
If CALLAHAN COUNTY adopts a 2000 tax rate equal to the effective tax rate of \$0.368840 per \$100 of value, taxes would increase compared to 1999 taxes by \$19,236.

Schedule A: General Fund Unencumbered Fund Balances
The following estimated balances will be left in the unit's property tax accounts at the end of the fiscal year. These balances are not encumbered by a corresponding debt obligation.

Type of Property Tax Fund	Balance
Schedule B: General Fund 2000 Debt Service	
The unit plans to pay the following amounts for long-term debts that are secured by property taxes. These amounts will be paid from property tax revenues (or additional sales tax revenues, if applicable).	
Total required for 2000 debt service	\$0
- Amount (if any) paid from funds listed in Schedule A	\$0
- Amount (if any) paid from other resources	\$0
- Excess collections last year	\$0
= Total to be paid from taxes in 2000	\$0
+ Amount added in anticipation that the unit will collect only 95.00% of its taxes in 2000	\$0
= Total debt levy	\$0

Schedule A: Farm to Market/Flood Control Fund Unencumbered Fund Balances
The following estimated balances will be left in the unit's property tax accounts at the end of the fiscal year. These balances are not encumbered by a corresponding debt obligation.

Type of Property Tax Fund	Balance
Schedule B: Farm to Market/Flood Control Fund 2000 Debt Service	
The unit plans to pay the following amounts for long-term debts that are secured by property taxes. These amounts will be paid from property tax revenues (or additional sales tax revenues, if applicable).	
Total required for 2000 debt service	\$0
- Amount (if any) paid from funds listed in Schedule A	\$0
- Amount (if any) paid from other resources	\$0
- Excess collections last year	\$0
= Total to be paid from taxes in 2000	\$0
+ Amount added in anticipation that the unit will collect only 95.00% of its taxes in 2000	\$0
= Total debt levy	\$0

This notice contains a summary of actual effective and rollback tax rates' calculations. You can inspect a copy of the full calculations at 130-A West 4th St., Baird, Texas.
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