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EDITOR'S NOTE: Suzanne Havelka, daughter of John and Marlene Cowan, thought our readers would enjoy the following thoughts, author unknown. I can certainly relate to the first sentence -- how about you? This was probably written by an older lady who discovered a new path of living. See if you agree with her ideas. I appreciate all the neat information our readers submit to share with others. Vanda Anderson-Creech

"Something to Think About"

I'm reading more and dusting less. I'm sitting in the yard and admiring the view without fussing about the weeds in the garden.

I'm spending more time with my family and friends and less time at work. Whenever possible, life should be a pattern of experiences to savor, not to endure. I'm trying to recognize these moments now and, cherish them.

I'm not "saving" anything; we use our good China and crystal for every special event such as losing a pound, getting the sink unstopped, or the first Amaryllis blossom. I wear my good blazer to the market. My theory is if I look prosperous, I can shell out \$28.49 for one small bag of groceries. I'm not saving my good perfume for special parties, but wearing it for clerks in the hardware store and tellers at the bank. "Someday" and "one of these days" are losing their grip on my SBA Disaster Loan vocabulary. If it's worth seeing or hearing or doing, I want to see and hear and do it now.

I'm trying very hard not to put off, hold back, or save anything that would add laughter and luster to our lives. And every morning when I open my eyes, I tell myself that it is special. Every day, every minute, every breath truly is a gift from God.

If you're too busy to take the few minutes that it takes right now to copy and send this to someone you love, would it be the first time you didn't do the little thing that would make a difference in your relationship?

I can tell you it certainly won't be the last. Take a few minutes to send this to a few people you care about, just let them know that you're thinking of them.

People say true friends must always hold hands, but true friends don't need to hold hands because they know the other hand will always be there.

Athletic Booster Meeting Slated for Monday, August 28th

The Athletic Booster Club will hold its weekly meeting Monday, August 28th at 7:00 p.m. in the gym foyer. They will be discussing upcoming Homecoming plans and other fund raising ideas. Please make plans to attend.

Road signs will be prepared in the gym foyer starting at 6:00 p.m. Volunteers are welcome. Let's all support the Buffaloes!

Chamber Ribbon **Cutting Set for** Lakeway on Tuesday, August 29th

There will be a ribbon cutting by the Cross Plains Chamber of Commerce for Lakeway Grocery on Tuesday, August 29th, at 10:00 A.M. New owners are James and Angie Ames. Lotto is still available, along with fuel, deli foods, and a variety of grocery items. Stop by and welcome James and Angie to their new business.

Annual Hunters Feed Planned for November 4th Downtown

The annual Hunters Feed will be held November 4 from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. downtown. This event is sponsored by the Chamber of

There will be prizes supplied by the local merchants. The Chamber encourages raffles by local nonprofit organizations. Since the Feed will be downtown on the Senior Citizens parking lot, the Chamber encourages businesses to take advantage of the crowd with sidewalk sales, etc. The Feed is open to anyone with a valid hunting

The Chamber will be disbursing information packets. If you have flyers, brochures or coupons that you would like to be included in the packet, please have those to the Chamber office by October 20. There will also be packets distributed at the Barbarian Festival. Please have this information to the Chamber no later than August 28.

If you have any questions about the Hunters Feed or would like to have a raffle or information booth at the Feed, contact Julene Franke, Lowell Martin or Susan Schaefer at the Chamber Office (254) 725-7251.

"History Makers" Youth Rally a Huge Success

By TINA BRADLEY

The History Makers Youth Rally had around 200 people in attendance. Youth traveled from all over Texas to help "make history". We had kids from Houston, Decatur, San Antonio, San Angelo, Sweetwater, Sonora, San Saba, Abilene, Clyde, Brownwood, May, Mason, Cottonwood and elsewhere.

Hearts and hands were connected this weekend to further advance the Kingdom of God. What a blessing it was to see our young people and future leaders excited about something that has eternal value.

Joy and expectancy filled my heart and tears filled my eyes as I watched

Deadline Approaching Victims Urged to Apply

FORT WORTH, TX - Time is running out for those who still have not filed for low-interest, long-term disaster recovery loans from the U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA). August 28, 2000 is the deadline for homeowners, renters and businesses in Brown, Callahan, Coleman, Comanche, Eastland, McCulloch, Mills and San Saba Counties to apply. The damages were caused by the June 15, 2000 severe thunderstorms and

Loan applications can be mailed to: U.S. Small Business Administration, 4400 Amon Carter Blvd., Suite 102, Fort Worth, Texas 76155. Anyone with questions regarding their applications can also call SBA at 1-800-366-6303 or TDD 817-267-4688 for the hear-

ing impaired. To date, SBA has approved more than \$508,000 in low-interest, longterm loans for victims of the severe thunderstorms and flooding. The loans are available to cover uninsured and underinsured losses to real estate, personal belongings and business property. SBA can loan up to \$200,000 to homeowners. Homeowners and renters can borrow up to \$40,000 to replace damaged or destroyed personal property such as furniture, clothing and vehicles.

Businesses applying for economic injury disaster loans have until March 29, 2001 to submit their applications. These are working capital loans to help small businesses meet operating expenses that cannot be met because of the

The SBA encourages anyone with physical damages caused by this disaster to apply for assistance by the August 28, 2000 deadline.

these young people praise and worship our Lord and give of themselves to serve others. I truly saw a generation of History Makers joined together in the Lord, under a tent in Cross Plains this weekend, and I expect we will hear and see great things from these kids in the

Living Water Ministries wishes to extend a heartfelt thank you to the community for their support, which made the History Makers Youth Rally a huge success.

A special thanks to our praise team, K-Company; our speakers, Scotty,

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WTU files for fuel surcharge and fuel factor change

ABILENE, Texas, Aug. 15, 2000 - Skyrocketing natural gas prices have forced American Electric Power's West Texas Utilities (AEP-WTU) to file a request with the Public Utility Commission of Texas (PUCT) to recover through a surcharge approximately \$19.6 million in uncollected fuel costs and interest from retail customers. At the same time, WTU requested permission to increase fuel factors used to calculate the fuel charge portion of customer bills in order to recover a projected increase of \$42.6 million in fuel costs that will be incurred to provide electric service in the future.

"The price of natural gas used to generate electricity at AEP-WTU's power plants has increased nearly 100 percent from January through August," said David Carpenter, AEP director of Texas regulatory services. "Since 60 percent of the electricity produced by AEP-WTU is generated using natural gas as a boiler fuel, these price increases have a tremendous impact on our cost of producing electricity.

"Fuel costs are an expense that AEP-WTU must pay to fuel suppliers," Carpenter continued. "It's important to remember that AEP-WTU does not earn any profit or return on fuel costs. In the past when fuel costs have declined, AEP-

WTU made refunds to customers. Investor-owned electric utilities in Texas, like AEP-WTU, are required by the PUCT to use fuel factors based on cost estimates to collect the projected cost of fuel used to generate electricity at their power plants. When actual cost of fuel significantly exceeds that which customers are paying in their monthly bills, PUCT rules require the utility request permission to surcharge the additional amount. When the actual costs of fuel are significantly lower than what customers are paying in fuel charges, the electric utility is required to issue a refund. And when the fuel costs are anticipated to change from their current levels for an extended period of time, the electric utility must request permission to adjust the monthly fuel factors used to determine the fuel charge

portion of customers' bill Without the increase in fixed fuel factors, AEP-WTU projects that it would under recover fuel and purchased power costs by approxi-

mately \$42.6 million for the period from October 2000 through September 2001. Consequently, AEP-WTU is requesting permission to adjust the fuel factors used to calculate the fuel charge portion of

customer bills Since fuel under-recoveries and interest already have totaled approximately \$19 million for the period from August 1999 through June 2000, AEP-WTU also has requested permission to implement a new fuel surcharge in November to collect the under-recovered balance through June 30, 2000.

The surcharges are designed to collect the under recoveries as of June 30, 2000, plus approximately \$600,000 in interest costs incurred over the collection period.

If approved as requested the new fuel factors would go into effect in October and the new surcharge would go into effect in November. The new fuel factor and surcharge would increase bills for typical residential customers using 1,0000 kilowatt-hours a month by \$20.53 per month for the period from November 2000 through April 2001 with the fuel factor equaling \$8.69 and the surcharge equaling \$11.84

of that amount. AEP-WTU will publish notices of the filing in selected newspapers with general circulation throughout the company's service area. AEP-WTU also will provide individual notice to the governing bodies of all incorporated municipalities retaining original jurisdiction. American Electric Power is a multinational energy company based in Columbus, Ohio. AEP is one of the Untied States' largest generators of electricity with more than 39,000 megawatts of generating capacity. AEP is also one of the nation's leading wholesale energy marketers and traders. AEP delivers electricity to more than 4.9 million customers in 11 states -Arkansas, Indiana, Kentucky, Louisiana, Michigan, Ohio, Oklahoma, Tennessee, Texas, Virginia and West Virginia. The company serves more than 4 million customers outside the U.S. through holdings in Australia, Brazil, China, Mexico and the United Kingdom. Wholly owned subsidiaries are involved in power engineering and construction services, energy management

and telecommunications.

Callahan County Student Enrollment Reported for 2000 Cross Plains I.S.D.Drops 44

	Clyde	Eula	Baird	Cross
	CISD	ISD	ISD	Plains
1991	1,488	512	472	446
1992	1,447	527	481 .	457
1993	1,511	511	491	451
1994	1,532	558	503	454
1995	1,528	568	490	449
1996	1,530	595	438	450
1997	1,539	575	454	470
1998	1,517	558	454	437
1999	1,520	573	427	474
2000	1,521	574	391	430

Student enrollment at Clyde CISD and Eula ISD increased, while enrollment at Baird ISD and Cross Plains ISD saw big drops from the previous year.

Enrollment at Clyde CISD stood at 1,521 for the start of the 2000-2001 school year, an increase of one student from the start of school last year.

Clyde CISD has student enrollment drop on three of the five campuses this year. Enrollment was down slight at Hamby Elementary and Clyde Intermediate School, while enrollment at Clyde Elementary School dropped 25 students from year ago levels.

Enrollment at Clyde Junior High jumped four students from last year and enrollment at Clyde High School rose 29 students to 493.

At Eula ISD, student enrollment also increased by one student, from 574 in 2000 compared to 573 one year ago.

Enrollment at Eula Elementary School (K-5) dropped five students from one year ago and Eula

Middle School (6-8) dropped five students as well. Enrollment at Eula High School jumped 11 students from the year ago level to 189 students.

Cross Plains ISD revealed the largest decline in student enrollment this year from last year. Cross Plains dropped from 44 students or just over nine percent. Cross Plains had 474 students at the start of school in 1999 to 430 students this year. Enrollment at Cross Plains Elementary (K-6) was 202 students and 228 students were reported at Cross Plains High School (7-12).

Baird ISD saw a decline in student enrollment of just over eight percent or a 36 student drop from 1999 levels. Baird ISD reported 427 students at the beginning of school in 1999 and 391 students at the start of school this year. Baird High School (7-12) reported 208 students and Baird Elementary School (K-6) enrollment stood at 183 students.

Mini-Cheer Camp Being Offered by Varsity Cheer



Team Saturday, August 26

The Cross Plains Varsity Cheerleaders will sponsor a minicheer camp on Saturday, August 26, for Pre-K through sixth grade girls. The camp will begin at 9:00 a.m. and conclude at 3:30 p.m. with a presentation for parents and friends. The cost will be \$25, which includes snacks, lunch and a camp T-shirt. Forms should be returned to the elementary office if possible or late registration will be permitted at 9:00 a.m. Saturday.

If you have any questions, call Jennifer Turner at (254) 725-7755 or Becky Dillard at (254) 725-6595.

Buff Scrimmage Changes Announced

The Varsity Buffaloes will be scrimmaging Robert Lee on Friday, August 25, at 5:00 p.m.

The Junior Varsity will scrimmage Throckmorton's J.V. team on Thursday, August 24, beginning at 4:00 p.m. at Throckmorton.

Fans are encouraged to come out and support the teams.

United Fund Officers/Directors to Meet Thursday

ine officers and directors of United Fund will meet at City Hall on Thursday, August 24, at 3:00 p.m. to plan for this year's drive.

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Jeffrey K. Boyle, driving while intoxicated (DWI). Larry Don Lee, theft.

Misdemeanor Minutes

Kristopher Whitehead, motion to dismiss to fail to report accident granted, case dismissed for plea to other charge.

Kristopher Whitehead, motion to dismiss to no liability insurance granted, case dismissed for plea to other charge.

Russell L. Ledford, motion to dismiss to criminal mischief granted, pled to class C paid fine, court costs, and restitution.

Kipp Stokes, plea of guilty to DWI, 2 year probation, \$400 fine, \$242.25

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court costs.

James R. Gunn, plea of guilty to possession of marijuana, 6 month probation, \$350 fine, \$242.25 court

Michael Vanzandt, plea of guilty to DWI, 2 year probation, \$400 fine, \$242.25 court costs.

BlazaLopez, plea of guilty to DWI/ probation revocation, 15 days in jail, \$192 court costs.

Lance Vickers, motion to revoke probation granted.

Roy Lynn Kennemer, order extending probation granted.

Bench warrant for: Russell Wayne McCoy, Jason Allen Newton, Miles Wayne Philley, Jr., Marc S. Welch, Jenene L. Finley.

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

> > **Civil Filings**

The State of Texas vs. 1987 Chevrolet S-10 Blazer, VIN# IGNC518R3H8183124, Nokia cell phone Serial #21915736709 notice of seizure and intended forfeiture.

Jesse Doyle Coffman and Leslie Jean Coffman, divorce.

Sandra Kay Burks and Ricky Lloyd Burks, divorce.

Kelly D. Griffin and Christa K. Griffin, divorce.

Civil Minutes

Paul Emerson Helmuth and Brenda Joyce Helmuth, divorce granted. Billie S. Padgett and Charles Donald Padgett, divorce granted.

Kimberly LaVon Carter and James Richard Carter, divorce granted. Patricia Gay Ferguson and Ken-

neth Bruce Ferguson, divorce granted. Vanessa Evans, Janice Coleman and Johnnie Nelson vs. Candice Shephrod, Preferred Risk Mutual Insurance Co., Preferred Risk Mutual Insurance Co. aka Guideone Mutual Insurance Co. partial agreed take nothing judgment.

D'Amico Construction Inc. vs. Housing Authorities of the City of Baird and Callahan County, Texas, order granting voluntary non-suit with prejudice.

Raymond J. Davis vs. American Home Products Corporation, et.al. order acknowledging non-suit of defendant Shire Richwood Inc. without prejudice dismissed.

Obituary

Nolan L. Wade, sexual assault 2nd.

Lynn L. Stevens III, plea of guilty to possession of controlled substance, 5 year probation, \$2000 fine, \$210.25 court costs, \$140 restitution.

Criminal Minutes

Raymond J. Davis vs. American

Home Products Corporation, et.al.

order granting plaintiff's motion for non-suit as to EON Labs Manufac-

Criminal Info & Complaints

turing, Inc. dismissed.

Callahan County **DPS Report**

Calls received by the Callahan County Department of Public Safety from August 13, 2000 through August 19, 2000 include: Cases Investigated

Warnings-98 Complaints-115 False Report to a Police Officer-1 Vehicle Accidents

There were five vehicle accidents investigated during this time span. People Arrested On

Outstanding Warrants There were eleven outstanding warrants issued for a total of \$2,617.00 collected.

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Nedra Jean Hutson Walls

Nedra Jean Hutson Walls, 71, a long time resident of Austin, died on August 17, 2000. Jean was the 2nd of 5 children. She survived both of her husbands, J.C. 'Jack' Jackson, who died in 1951, and W. 'Jim' Walls, who passed away in 1980. Jean courageously raised her 2 sons and lived quietly in Westlake Hills and Rollingwood since 1954.

Jean, a loving wife, mother, and gracious southern lady was an outstanding dove hunter and an avid gardener. In her later years, she enjoyed travel, her grandchildren and her garden. She had many lifelong friends in the Austin area and throughout the state of Texas. She retired from the Scott, Douglas and McConnoco law firm in 1994.

There will be a private graveside service for members of her family. A celebration of her life will be held at her home.

Survivors include two sons, Craig Jackson and his wife Lynne of Sugarland and Brian Jackson and his wife Dawn of Little Rock, Arkansas; three grandchildren, Lydia Jackson of Little Rock and Anna Joy Jackson and Cole Jackson of Sugarland one sister, Charlene Flint of Bastrop; three brothers, J.C. Hutson of Austin, Connie Ray Hutson of Jarrell and Don Hutson of San Antonio; nieces and nephews, Donna Barber, Debbie Campbell, Wade Hutson, Kirk Hutson, Tommy Hutson, John Hutson, Randy Hutson, Brenda 'Cricket' Chisolm and Lisa Bennett.

915-646-7591

Texas Country Clean-up in Baird on Wednesday, August 30

On Wednesday, August 30, from 8 a.m. to 12 noon, the Texas Agricultural Extension Service in cooperation with Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission will be hosting a Texas Country Clean-up Program. The clean-up will be held in Baird at the Department Texas Transportation facility, .7 miles north of I-20 on U.S. 283 North.

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The clean-up program will allow you to bring lead acid batteries, oil, oil filters and empty pesticide containers to be collected FREE OF

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Used tires will be collected at a cost of \$1.25 for passenger tires and \$5.00 for truck tires. Tractor tires will not be collected. Recyclers donate their time and service at no charge and reserve the right to refuse any material.

Don't Dump of Texas, Roundup and Recycle. For more information, call the Callahan County Extension Office at (915) 854-1518.

> Submitted by Robert Pritz County Extension Agent

6th Annual Toy Drive and Dance **Benefiting the Texas Scottish Rite** Hospital for Children

The Big Country Phoenix Motorcycle Club is at it again! They will be sponsoring their 6th Annual Toy Drive and Dance Benefiting the Texas Scottish Rite Hospital for

This event will take place at the Ranger Chamber Barn in Ranger on September 8-9. The gate will open at 7 p.m. Friday night. Admission will be \$10 per person or \$15 for a couple with a new unwrapped toy. Children 12 and under are free.

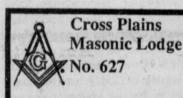
There will be live bands each night and concession is available. There will be bike games, door prizes, raffles and kiddie korral (only during poker run).

In the past 5 years, the Big Country Phoenix M/C has raised \$26,900 and 850 toys for the children at the hospital. Last year the money raised went toward a new hand development research.

For further information about the benefit, donations or being a vender, call T.L. Spurlen (254) 629-8209 or Dennis Hazelwood (254) 629-8139. Everyone is welcome!

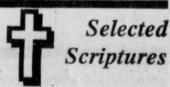
Colonial Oaks Services

Pioneer Baptist Church will conduct worship services at Colonial Oaks Nursing Home on Sunday, August 27, commencing at 3:30



Stated Meeting 1st Thursday, 7:30 p.m. http://txlodge627.tripod.com http://www.gltexas.org Sec. (254) 725-7530

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----Psalm 119:145

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> Sunday's Sermon "How Do You Act?"

By: Linda Merritt

It's good to back from vacation! A few new changes have been made since I was here. We are proud to announce that we now have a physical therapy room with trained therapist to meet the needs of our residents.

We welcome our newest employees to our facility: Claudia Arnold R.N., Sheila Heflin L.V.N., Vickie Williams L.V.N., Kathy Lawrence C.N.A., Cheryl Chastain C.N.A., Rita Purcell C.N.A., Citanya Scott N.A., Lisa Floyd dietary, Ashley Harris dietary and Alesha Jackson dietary.

Our thoughts and prayers for Nora Golson and Louise Richardson, who are in the hospital.

Minnie Swann was our winner for a free meal from Jack's Place. Thanks Wanda and Jack.

Our appreciation to Sue Neal and Lou Rodenberger for the wheel chair; to Kitty Propest for the chocolate cake; and the Rone family for the pretty flowers.

Reuben McCowen from Lubbock, Alton and Donnie McCowen and Naomi McCowen visited with Raymond McCowen.

Devon and Logan Pickard of

Coleman, Beth Meador and Taylor Parker visited with Nan Stiles.

Jimmie Montgomery of Killeen visited with Allie Dickson.

Whitney Clark, Zackery Lee, Tim, Brian and Michael Curry visited Deen Haddox.

Naoma Wilson and Rachelle visited with Delilah Goble.

Tiffany Goains visited Buleah Ferguson.

Luke McKenzie visited with Carl McKenzie.

Activities during the week: Monday: Bingo winners were:

Maxine Crisp (5), Vera Belyea, Nan Stiles and Falba Shofner (2). Exercise. Tuesday: Art Class. Singing with

Dorothy Reynolds. Skip-Bo games. Wednesday: Sing-a-long with Bob Wallace, Exercise class.

Thursday: Manicures. Sit down basketball. Skip-Bo games.

Friday: Bingo winners were Minnie Swann (2), Vera Belyeu (2), June Hickman and Ruby Harrell. Popcorn. Skip-Bo games. Sunday: Pioneer Baptist Church.

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Do you always say what you really mean? Some of us have an extra-

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forms. In the course of conversation, promises are made, statements and

one source." "It needs to be done" means: "I'm not going to do it, or any-

usually means: "I'm against it but I do not have the nerve to say so myself."

"It might bring criticism" means: "I know it should be done but it takes

means: "I'm going to say something I'm not sure of -- whether it's true

or false -- but if someone discovers I'm wrong, then I can always blame my memory." "I'll be there if I'm not providentially hindered" really means

too much effort for me to do it." "If memory serves me right" usually

'Everybody's upset" really means -- usually -- that two or three loud

excuses are offered -- but we don't always say what we really mean or

"They say," for instance, usually means: "I heard this from at least

thing about it, but someone ought to." "I've heard some criticism"

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for Ludie Norris

Ludie Norris is currently residing

with her daughter, Clovie Johnston,

according to L.C. Barkemeyer.

Friends may send cards and letters to

Ludie would love to hear from

friends at Cross Plains. She is

appreciative of all the kindness

shown throughout her illness.

her at the following address:

c/o Clovie Johnston

Garland, Texas 75043.

Ludie Norris

3314 Sunrise

December got soaked.

James and Frank; and all the youth pastors who are raising up a generation who loves the Lord and expresses it openly. We appreciated Food Plaza, Dairy Queen and Subway for the use of your facilities and for supplying ice. Thanks to Cliff and Connie Kirkham for treating all the kids to a fun-filled day of swimming, volleyball and other activities, as well as sharing their home and hospitality. Thank you to all who shared their home and their time. It was all of you behind the scenes who helped make everything run smoothly. More people than I can name have worked very had to serve our guests. Thank you for your servant's heart. God bless each one.

All your prayers and support made the first year successful and we are looking forward to seeing you at History Makers 2001!!!!



August 14-18

Hi! Have you folks asked for rain? It's been pretty warm sitting on a check mark all day. Let's do some serious asking. We're sad this week. Babs Sherrel, after years of service to the library, has asked the library board to accept her resignation. The committee for special activities, such as book reviews and writing contest, will especially miss her. I'll bet we can still recruit her if we're in a pinch. Thanks Babs. Stay in touch. Now let's look at the Statistics.

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BREAKTHRU

By Bob Pipes, Preacher

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I ask again, only include myself (because too many of the above sound too much like my words!): Do we always say what we really mean? One of the things God bragged to Satan about regarding Job was that in spite of all that had befallen him, "still he holds fast to his integrity," Job 2:3. I get the distinct impression that God not only expects, He also adores integrity - the quality of being sound, nonest and sincere -- yes, saying what we really mean and feel...

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Laverne Hutton Places in Crafty Clothing Contest By James Nichols

Laverne Hutton of the Pioneer Community was chosen 2nd runnerup in a "crafty clothing" contest sponsored by the Crafty Traditions Magazine.

Entries were from across the U.S. and Canada. A person had to be the original designer of the craft designed "from scratch" and not a copied idea.

Laverne's entry was a vest made from suede cloth scraps of rust, burnt orange, tan and teal blue. The right side of the vest front was designed in a crazy quilt pattern, with a tan, rust and orange leaf appliqued on the teal blue left front.

Pictures of the winning entries and patterns are featured in the September-October issue of the Crafty Traditions Magazine.

SENIOR CITIZENS **MENU**

August 28- September 1 MONDAY -- Summer Sausage, Ranch Style Beans, Potato Salad, Baked Cinnamon Apples, Ranger Cookie, Bread, Milk

TUESDAY -- Meatloaf, Mashed Potatoes, Green Beans, White Cake w/ Icing, Bread, Milk

WEDNESDAY--Chef Salad, Baked Potato, (Ham, Cheese, Egg) Banana, Cheescake, Crackers, Milk THURSDAY-Teriyaki Chicken, Stir Fry Veggies, Rice, Apricots, Peanut Butter Cookie, Bread, Milk FRIDAY—Ham/Potato Casserole, Vegetable Medley, Pineapple Slices w/Cottage Cheese, Chocolate Chip Cookie, Milk, Bread

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Quips, Clips & Comments

By: Kay Mosley

Most enjoyable to us, is sitting in the yard in the shade of the trees and watching and listening to the birds as they chirp and sing. Along the same lines is another favorite activity, watching in fascination and hearing the wings of the minuscule little hummingbirds.

Joining in all this activity and sound this summer is someone new to our yard. He sometimes sits high up in the trees, other days he perches jauntily on the fence; directly above the angelically enhanced birdbath near the road. Thus positioned, he breaks out into gorgeous melodic song. Yes folks, it's the trill of the mockingbird, lie on Mockingbird

He serenades us with all the lovely sounds and songs he can muster. Believe me, as I say he has mastered absolutely scads of lilting sounds as well as songs of other songbirds. He delivers static chirping sounds, the call of the whippoorwill, the cries of the starlings, the perky notes of Bobwhile, soft melodic trills, quick sharp staccato sounds, a ringing chit-chit and just about any bird sound you ever heard.

Occasionally I could swear that I hear him say Pretty Bird, Pretty Bird. I think he must've once gotten acquainted with someone's run-away parakeet. It is all most entertaining as well as enjoyable and as uplifting as any sonata you've ever been privileged to enjoy. To further sum it up, it is a most entertaining and exciting time of the day for us.

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Motion was made by Childress and

seconded by Carey that we accept

the annual investment report for the

Cross Plains I.S.D. For 7 Against 0

Donnie Dillard declared 8:17 as

the beginning time for executive

session. Out of session was at 9:17.

Motion was made by Richards and

seconded by Carey that we give a

letter of assurance to Shawna

Gilliam as cafeteria worker. For 7

Motion was made by Wyatt and

seconded by Childress that we give a

letter of assurance to Tonia Walker

as elementary aide. For 7 Against 0

seconded by Wyatt to raise Debbie

Thomas wages by .50 cents per hour

during the period of time which she

replaces the cafeteria supervisor.

Motion was made by Wyatt and

seconded by Richards that we pay

the bills for the month of August. For

Motion was made by Carey and

seconded by Childress that we

adjourn. For 7 Against 0

Motion was made by Richards and

Against 0

For 7 Against 0

School Board Minutes

The Cross Plains I.S.D. Board of Trustees met in a called meeting with the following members present: Terry Nixon, Rickey Carey, Donnie Dillard, Scott Childress, Charles Chesshir, Monty Richards and Tony Wyatt. The following administrators and guests were also in attendance: Superintendent, High School Principal, Elementary Principal and Susan Hartman.

A budget workshop was held. On August 17, the regular meeting of the school board will commence. A budget adoption on resolution to adopt tax rate and tax hearing will be held August 29.

The motion to adjourn was made by Richards and seconded by Carey. 7 for and 0 against

The Cross Plains I.S.D. Board of Trustees met in a regular meeting with the following members present: Terry Nixon, Rickey Carey, Donnie Dillard, Scott Childress, Charles Chesshir, Monty Richards and Tony Wyatt.

The following administrators and guests were also in attendance (open forum): Superintendent, High School Principal, Elementary Principal, Susan Hartman, Nora

Odom and John Chesshir. Prayer was led by Rickey Carey. Motion was made by Richards and seconded by Wyatt that we approve the deed without warranty conveying Lots 1 and 2, Block 77 Central Addition Cross Plains to James V. and Wilma Lawrence. For

7 Against 0 No action on a second deed without warranty.

Motion was made by Childress and seconded by Nixon that we accept the application for the student to receive early graduation privileges upon completion of requirements. For 7 Against 0

Motion was made by Richards and seconded by Carey that we approve Update 63 from TASB as official school policy. For 7 Against 0

SCHOOL MENU

August 28 - September 1 BREAKFAST

MONDAY--Cream of Wheat, Toast, Assorted Juice TUESDAY-Waffle, Sausage, Assoreted Juice

WEDNESDAY-Cereal, Toast, Assorted Juice THURSDAY-Breakfast Burrito,

Assorted Juice FRIDAY-Toaster Pastry, Yogurt, Assorted Juice

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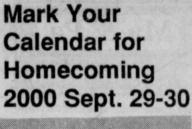
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TUESDAY—Ham Slices, Spinach, Scalloped Potatoes, Rolls, Honey WEDNESDAY-Beef-Cheese Nachos, Pinto Beans, Corn Bread,

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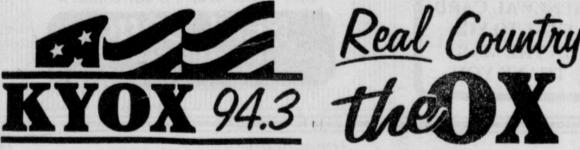
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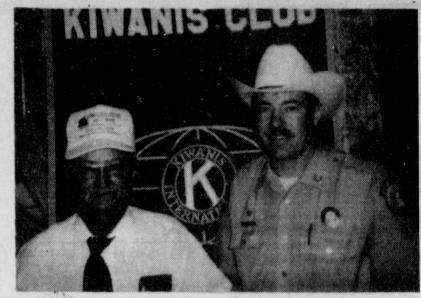
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much we appreciate the great and unselfish job they do. We pass the buck among the audience about 8 p.m. If you want to give before or after that there will be someone there to take your donation. Come out enjoy some good music, Pizza and visiting with friends. There is no admission fee, plenty of comfortable "cool" seating and a chance for you to do a really good deed. Show our Clyde Fire Department we appreciate all the volunteer work they do.



KIWANIS GUEST SPEAKER - Vance Wallace, local Game Warden (right), was guest of Kiwanis member Rolan Jones. Warden Wallace presented an informative program on State Game and Fish Laws, along with some interesting experiences. The Kiwanis of Cross Plains meet each Tuesday at Jean's Feed Barn.

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Yet Another Hot Dry Summer Increases Threat of Wildfires

Due to dry conditions and a heavy fuel load, Texas Forest Service officials are warning residents of the increasing threat of wildfires. Of the 254 counties, the Texas Forest Service reports that 127 are considered high hazards risks for wildfires, where 68 are ranked as extreme.

Cities within these high impact areas include Brownsville, Corpus Christi, Alice and Cotulla (for South Texas); Houston, Conroe, Huntsville, Woodville, Kirbyville and Beaumont (for Southeast Texas); Austin, San Marcos, Bastrop, and Johnson City (for Central Texas); and Denton, Decatur and Wichita Falls (for North Central Texas).

For example, in Montgomery County, north of Houston, fire departments have responded to 289 wildfires in July 1999 since January. "The conditions are so bad that once a wildfire starts it spreads to an uncontrollable fire very quickly," said Montgomery County Fire marshal Dan Welsh.

"The state is currently drier than this time last year when we experienced a severe late summer and fall fire season," said Tom Spencer, fire risk assessment coordinator with the Texas Forest Service.

In response to the elevating fire danger, the Texas Forest Service has mobilized four fire prevention teams to Bastrop, Conroe, Decatur, and

Lufkin. The teams' purpose is to inform the public of the extreme wildfire conditions while also providing them with fire prevention information in an effort to reduce humancaused fires. Prevention teams will also be encouraging county officials in the high to extreme fire danger regions to issue burn bans as a prevention measure.

Currently 87 counties have implemented burn bans. "The bans are issued to save lives and protect property during extreme wildfire conditions," said Mary Kay Hicks, fire prevention program coordinator with the Texas Forest Service.

In Texas, escaped debris burning is the leading cause of wildfires. Until significant rainfall has been recieved, Texas Forest Service officials are asking residents to postpone all outdoor burning.

To prevent wildfires, Hicks suggested that smoking materials be distinguished in vehicle ashtrays rather than out of a window or on the ground. She warned that hot catalytic converters also can ignite dry vegetation whether in a field or on the side of the road. And if welding out-of-doors, Hicks said to be sure to water down the surrounding work area and have a fire extinguisher nearby.

For more information or a list of counties currently under a burn ban, visit the Texas Interagency Coordination Center website at www.ticc.fws.gov.

Annual "Old Ripfest" Set for September 16

The annual "Old Ripfest" celebration will be held on the square in Eastland Saturday, September 16.

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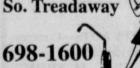
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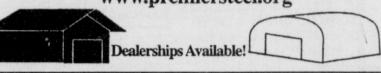
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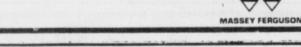
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NEW LISTING--206.83/A in Eastland County, thick cover, 80/A tall grass, excellent hunting, remote, good

NEW LISTING--157.34/A north of Cross Plains, 3bd/2 bath home, 2 water wells, approximately 100/A in trees, remainder in native pasture and cultivation, on pavement, good hunting.

NEW LISTING--72.42/A on county road, 2 wells, pens, good fences, some improved grass. Good home site

NEW LISTING--3bd/2 bath, large lot, fruit trees, Liveoaks in Rising Star--Call Pauline.

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NEW LISTING--3bd/1bath home on 5/A, waterwell, landscaped, on pavement, close to town.

NEW LISTING-4 large residential lots in the Tom Bryant addition to Cross Plains, trees, prime home

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Three second rule...

With school starting again, it gets me to thinking about the interesting facts the kids bring home.

Peanut, the youngest, recently informed me the average pencil writes a line about 35 miles long. It piques my curiosity to think about how that might have been done, and how much time and paper it took, and how the line was drawn, and how it was measured.

One possibility is that someone took a hike with a very long pencil. In contrast, it could have been a very bored architect at his table tracing a line back and forth under the glare of a gooseneck lamp. Or someone may have needed a pile of graphite to lubricate the glides of a file drawer, and the hardware store was closed.

Sweet Pea came home with the news that students who play an instrument and are involved in music have a much easier time with math. I find myself wondering if 15 minute practices qualified these young musicians, and did it matter if they played Bach or Beetles or "Bah, Bah Black Sheep." It also makes me wish I had kept up my piano lessons. To think, I could have had an easier time with geometry!

It was the Three Second Rule I found most interesting, though. Punkin, in high school, says it means it takes a minimum of 3 seconds for one thing to stick to another. They use it to determine whether the food dropped on the floor has been attacked by bacteria yet. If you can beat the second hand, you can still pop it in your

mouth. I'm sure the propounders of this Rule were thinking of postage stamps and envelope glue. I've proved out that theory myself a few times. Once, I sealed an envelope and it was only a spurt of adrenaline that helped me rip it

open before the 3 seconds of permanence set in. The address I needed to write on the envelope was on the letter inside the envelope. 'Course, the seal puckers after that and has to be helped with adhesive tape.

Calculations for the Three Second Rule likely took into account the speed of molecules as affected by temperature variations, the degree of moisture, and viscosity. I can picture the positive and negative forces within the nucleus busy attracting and repelling, bumping around like bumper cars - stuff

Three seconds is right on the button when I think about the powdered baby formula I used to mix for my allergic youngest daughter. Protein draws moisture to itself tries to wrap itself up in it, like it's embarrassed to find itself naked or something. Instructions on the label say you have exactly 3 seconds to swish the powder around in the water to disperse it immediately, or you end up with one thick, sticky

Other stickiness that comes to mind is the 3 second life-or-death struggle of flypaper, or melted cheese bubbled over in the microwave. Consider how fast egg yolk sticks on a plate when eaten outdoors in the dry wind of a hot day. Then there's the oatmeal stuck on the pan above the water line when I leave it to soak. All it takes is 3 seconds to start the vulcanizing process.

Throwing doubt on the Three Second Rule is the sight of a whole ice cream cone scoop landing on the sidewalk. And I don't think the scientists and statisticians thought about hair on bubblegum.

Finally, they've missed a lot if they never watched a 3-year-old whose open-face peanut butter and jelly sandwich just met a floor in a house with a dog that's shedding!

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Callahan County Oil & Gas Production

Total Oil Production **Total Gas** Production Apr. 2000 20,103

23,990

May 2000

119,017 108,847

County oil and gas totals rise in May

Oil and gas production figures for May 2000 in Callahan County have recently been released by the Railroad Commission of Texas, and the month's oil production and natural gas production were both higher than in April.

Total gas production in Callahan County for the month of May 2000 was 119,017 MCF. One MCF is equal to 1,000 cubic feet of natural

Total crude oil production in Callahan County for the month of May was 23,990 barrels of oil.

The total oil production in Callahan County during April 2000 was 20,013 barrels of oil. Total gas production in April was 108,847 MCF of natural gas.

Other oil production months for Callahan County include: June 1999 with 23,322 barrels of oil, July with 23,231 barrels of oil, August with 22,238 barrels of crude, September 1999 with 21,222 barrels of oil, October with 22,873 barrels, November with 21,686 barrels, De- 54,145 gas wells.

January 2000 with 22,083 barrels, February with 22,175 barrels and March with 22,292 barrels.

Big Country area counties oil and gas production for May 2000 include: Brown, 145,689 MCF of gas and 11,098 barrels of oil; Coleman, 146,589 MCF of gas and 29,464 barrels of oil; Eastland, 423,153 MCF of gas and 26,600 barrels of oil; Jones, 64,884 MCF of gas and 66,636 barrels of oil; Runnels, 109,098 MCF of gas and 47,807 barrels of oil; Shackelford, 420,599 MCF of gas and 90,528 barrels of oil; Stephens, 1,038,544 MCF of natural gas and 25,509 barrels of oil; and Taylor County, 28,448 MCF of gas and 52,662 barrels of oil.

The state's top oil producing county in May was Gaines with 2,787,912 barrels of oil. The top gas producing county in the state in May was Zapata with 26,571,742 MCF.

Texas oil and gas production in May came from 147,957 oil and

Growers Asked to Post Fields When Treating for Aphids

(ABILENE) -- Cotton growers are asked to notify the Texas Boll Weevil Eradication Foundation if they use Furadan to treat cotton fields for

By law, fields that have been treated with Furadan must have warning signs posted, cautioning people not to enter the field for 15 days. Fields can be entered after 48 hours if personal protective equipment is worn, but it is important that growers post signs to advise that a field has been treated.

In the interest of protecting employees, the Foundation asks that all growers notify their nearest boll weevil office to advise of fields that have been or will be treated. Cooperation by growers will ensure that proper precautions are taken to protect the health and well being of all individuals who need access to affected cotton fields.

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The CALLAHAN COUNTY will hold a public hearing on a proposal to increase total tax revenues from properties on the tax roll by 7.67

percent. Your individual taxes may increase at a greater or lesser rate, or even decrease, depending on the change in the taxable value of your property in relation to the change in taxable value of all other property and the tax rate that is adopted.

The public hearing will be held on AUGUST 31, 2000 at 8:00 A.M. at CALLAHAN COUNTY COMMISSIONER'S COURT 100 WEST 4TH, BAIRD, TX.

FOR the proposal:

HAROLD HICKS **BRYAN FARMER** TOMMY HOLLAND CHARLIE GRIDER

AGAINST the proposal: None PRESENT and not voting: None

ABSENT: None

The following table compares taxes on an average home in this taxing unit last year to taxes proposed on the average home this year. Again, your individual taxes may be higher or lower, depending on the taxable value of your property.

Average home value General exemptions available (amount available on the average homestead, not including senior citizen's or disabled person's exemptions)

Average taxable value Tax Rate (per \$100) Tax

\$24,000 0.377200 \$90.53

Last Year \$30,000

\$6,000

This Year \$30,000 \$6,000

\$24,000 0.397200 \$95.33

Under this proposal, taxes on the average home would increase by \$4.80 or 5.30 percent compared with last year's taxes. Comparing tax rates without adjusting for changes in property value, the tax rate would increase by \$0.02 per \$100 of taxable value or 5.30 percent compared to last year's tax rate. These tax rate figures are not adjusted for changes in the taxable value of property.

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