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BARBARA BARNETT ENJOYING BENEFIT



BENEFIT DRAWS A LARGE CROWD

Barnett Benefit Huge Success

Do you believe in miracles? If you have any doubt that the good Lord is not alive and well in Cross Plains, think again.

The Benefit for Barbara Barnett was a huge success, due to the fact that the community as a whole was involved. With only a week to prepare, churches, businesses, the school, and community joined forces to serve over 300 meals, have a cake walk and auction. After the dust settled and many people left

without being fed, but willing to leave their contribution, over \$5,400.00 were donated.

The money donated will be used for medical and travel expenses as Barbara continues chemotherapy and radiation treatments.

Your support is very much appreciated. If you did not get a chance to contribute, a Love Fund has been established at Citizens State Bank.

Cross Plains is truly a "Caring Community."

Believer's Fellowship will hold Revival Nov. 5 - Nov. 8

The Believers Fellowship will have a revival beginning November 5 through Wednesday, November 8.

The revival starts Sunday, November the 5th at 11 a.m. and

will meet again at 7 p.m. Monday through Wednesday the revival will start at 7 p.m.

Bro. Vernon Groce from Kermit will be evangelist.

Come and hear the anointed word of God.

ATTENTION TAXPAYERS

Please be advised that some wording appears on our tax statement this year that is very misleading to the public.

TAXES ARE PAYABLE OCT. 1 AND BECOME DELINQUENT FEB. 1.

SPLIT PAYMENT OPTION FIRST HALF DUE BY NOV. 30. LAST HALF DUE BY FOLLOWING JUNE 30.

This information is part of a pre-designed tax bill our software company furnished for their customers, with Callahan County being one of those customers.

At present, none of the taxing units we collect for offer the Split Payment Option. Your taxes are due upon receipt and become delinquent February 1st, 2001 as they have always been.

On behalf of the jurisdictions and our tax office we hope this has not created any inconvenience to our taxpayers.

Sincerely,
Tammy Walker

Callahan County Tax Assessor-Collector



ANNUAL HUNTERS FEED

November 4th at Senior Citizens Center
11:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

There will be food, prizes, raffles, and fun for all with valid hunting license.

Hunters-We're Glad You're Here!

Lord's Acre to be held Saturday, November 11

Attention: All residents of Cross Plains and surrounding communities; The First United Methodist Church is proud to announce their annual Lord's Acre on Saturday, November 11.

The main objective of this loving project is to raise money for the many mission projects supported by the First United Methodist Church. Many of these missions are local and your dollars spent will be returned to a local program such as the food bank, etc.

Our day begins at 9 a.m. with the opening of the "Little Store." Our "Store" will most definitely get you in the holiday mood-think of it as a chance for some early Christmas shopping. Featured in the store are homemade goodies, crocheted items, holiday ornaments, wreaths and jewelry, just to name a few. The store hours are from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

From there we go to our take out service for the scrumptious turkey and dressing meal that will be offered. The take out service will open at 4:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. and will be located at the Methodist Parsonage on North Main.

You may phone 725-7694 to order and have meals delivered. A drive thru service is available for those wanting to enjoy this delectable meal at home. There is no need to

even leave your car, our youth will bring your food to you.

For those wanting to partake in some fun and fellowship, our turkey dinner and auction are just the ticket! Large numbers of people gather in our fellowship hall starting at 5:00 p.m. till 7:00 p.m. Think of this as a city and community wide family Thanksgiving Celebration. Of course, the plates will be heaped with yummy turkey and dressing, traditional green beans and sweet potato, giblet gravy and rolls. Choosing a dessert will be a tough task for there are so many to choose from. All of this plus a beverage, for only \$5.00.

What a small price to pay for a preview Thanksgiving Dinner to be spent with your family and friends.

The famous Lord's Acre Auction will begin at 7:00 p.m. immediately following the meal.

Hopefully you will have a chance to pre-select the items you would like to bid on. Get a sneak peek at these various items when you come Saturday morning to shop at "The Little Store".

So make plans and mark your calendars for Saturday, November 11. Shop and eat-what a life! We are so blessed, let us bless back.

We hope you and your family will be there. God bless.

Callahan County Sheriff's Office Needs Your Help

The Callahan County sheriff's office is currently seeking help from the citizens of the county on a few cases that have occurred in the past few months. The first is a burglary, which occurred in the Cottonwood area, sometime between the dates of Saturday October 21st and Wednesday October 25th, a person or persons entered a residence south of the cemetery and stole several items from that residence. Items taken from the house were various tools, and several hand tools that were in the house. The total amount of the items taken was approximately \$650. A relative of the victims spoke with a subject at the Cottonwood cemetery about this case, but was unable to remember his name. The Sheriff's department would like to speak with this person, if he could contact us with any information he might have.

The second case is a criminal mischief that occurred in the first part of this month. Unknown person or persons tried to run through several gates on county road 106, causing a large amount of monetary damage to the gates and fences. The subjects also shot off several rounds from a rifle of .62x39 caliber off the same road. The vehicle used will have front end damage and possibly some rear damage as well.

The third case is an aggravated robbery that occurred in Putnam on August 11, 2000. A white female had just got off work at the

Red Barn Liquor Store when she was attacked and robbed. A black male subject was waiting in her car when he attacked her. This female subject received numerous injuries and her purse was taken along with approximately \$90 in cash. The attacker is described as a black male 19-21 years of age having a muscular build.

Finally there have been several reports in the past few months of criminal mischief occurring in the Cross Plains area. There have been several reports of mailboxes destroyed and road signs taken.

If you have any information on the following cases or any other case you might feel you have information on please contact Deputy J.D. Ravenscroft of Deputy Jay Kniffen at the Sheriff's office at 854-1444 or 854-1589. Any information given will be kept strictly confidential and you do not have to give your name.

Tuesday, November 7, 2000

General Election

Callahan County Polling Places

- Precinct #1, Clyde Lions Club Building
- Precinct #2, Eula Lions Club Building
- Precinct #3, Baird Housing Authority Center
- Precinct #4, Cross Plains Community Center
- Precinct #5, Putnam Community Center
- Precinct #6, Clyde Southside Baptist Church
- Precinct #7, Oplin Community Center

County officials have no challengers County voters go to polls to help elect U.S. President

Callahan County voters will go to the polls Tuesday, November 7 to help elect a new United States President, U.S. Senator and a U.S. Representative for District 17.

Polls will be open Tuesday, November 7 from 7:00 a.m. until 7:00 p.m. at seven voting locations throughout Callahan County.

Early voting for the General Election will conclude at 5:00 p.m. Friday, November 3 at the three polling locations in Baird at the County Courthouse Room #107, in Clyde at the Justice of the Peace office and in Cross Plains at the Justice of the Peace office.

The Tuesday, November 7, 2000 General Election will take place from 7:00 a.m. until 7:00 p.m. at seven precinct polling places in Callahan County. Those polling sites include:

—Precinct #1 Clyde Lions Club at FM 18 and Rusk Street.

—Precinct #2 Eula Lions Club at FM 603 South.

—Precinct #3 Baird Housing Authority, at 415 Chestnut.

—Precinct #4 Cross Plains Community Center at 9th & Beech.

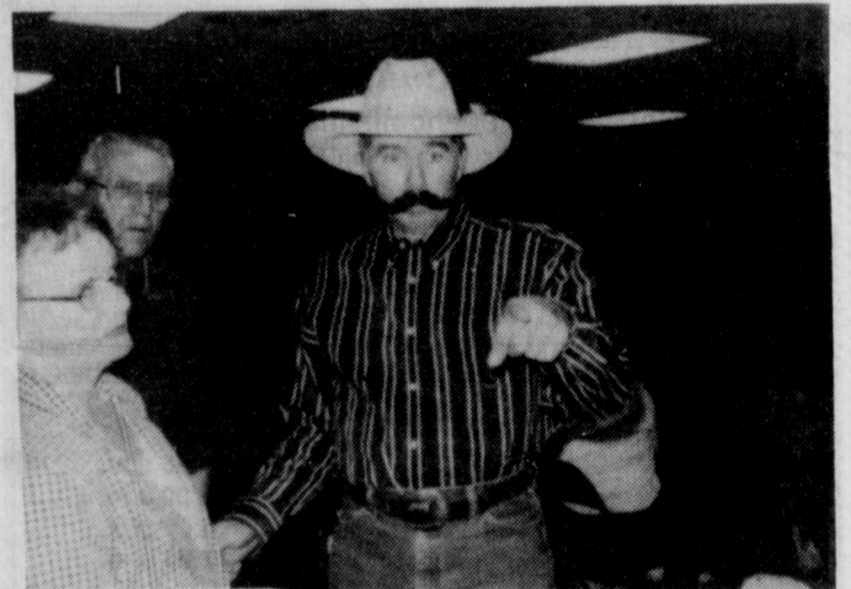
—Precinct #5 Putnam Community Center at 120 West Travis.

—Precinct #6 Clyde Southside Baptist Church at FM 604 South.

—Precinct #7 Oplin Community Center at FM 2926 & FM 604 South.

There are no contested races locally for County Attorney, County Sheriff, County Tax/Assessor Collector and two County Commissioner and two County Constable positions.

A General Election sample ballot is located inside this week's newspaper.



IKE AND SUE NEAL ENJOYED MEETING MIKE BLAKELY

Mike Blakely A Big Hit In Cross Plains

The "Meet the Author" presentations sponsored by the Cross Plains Public Library continues to draw large crowds, not only from Cross Plains but from other communities. Mike Blakely's appearance brought folks from Comanche, Rising Star, Abilene, Baird, Cisco (a large group!), Carbon and Santa Anna. His stories about how he just grew into the writing business captured the interest of the audience, but it was the sensitivity of his original songs, both words and music, that captivated them and brought them to their feet with applause.

Margaret Waring, librarian from Comanche, e-mailed, "What a great time I had with you last evening. Blakely's program was really

outstanding. I can not believe the success CPPL's authors series is being. I've always heard that success is built on success and you have certainly got a fine example rolling right along. I'm really hoping to get a group to come next time to hear Neely's Comments." Evelyn Kirk, a

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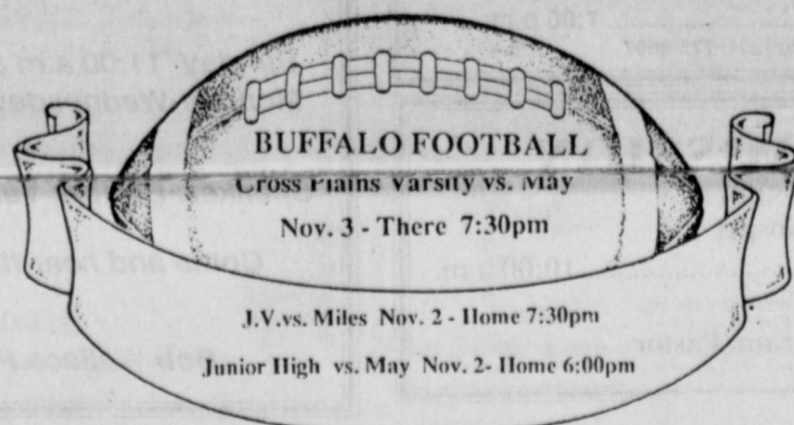
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BUFFALO FOOTBALL

Cross Plains varsity vs. May

Nov. 3 - There 7:30pm

J.V. vs. Miles Nov. 2 - Home 7:30pm

Junior High vs. May Nov. 2 - Home 6:00pm

Colonial Oaks Services

Pioneer Pentecostal will conduct worship services at Colonial Oaks Nursing Home on Sunday, November 5, commencing at 3:30 p.m.

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Callahan County DPS Report

Calls received by the Callahan County Department of Public Safety from October 22, 2000 through October 28, 2000 include:

Cases Investigated
Warnings-62
Complaints-70
Possession of Marijuana-2
Disregard for Police Officer-1
Minor in Possession of an Alcoholic Beverage-2
Vehicle Accidents
There was one vehicle accident investigated during this time span.
People Arrest On Outstanding Warrants
There were nine outstanding warrants issued for a total of \$2,905.00 collected.

Deadlines
Ads - noon Tues
Articles - noon Mon.



Salvation is far from the wicked, For they do not seek Your statutes.

-- Psalm 119:155

...I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ, for it is the power of God to salvation...

--Romans 1:16

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Obituaries

Clyde Melton

Mr. Clyde Melton of Cross Plains passed away on Sunday, October 29, 2000, at Brownwood Regional Medical Center.

Graveside services will be held at Fort Snelling National Cemetery in Minneapolis, Minnesota.

Mr. Melton was born in Pyote, Texas on August 13, 1928. He entered the military at the age of 15. Clyde married Elizabeth Nelson on June 17, 1946, in St. Paul, Minnesota.

Clyde was involved in real estate, plumbing and various other businesses in Minneapolis, Minnesota. He was in the oil and gas business in Texas.

He assisted with the building of the Cross Plains Senior Citizen Center. Clyde loved children and donated a camp for under privileged children in Minnesota. He was also responsible for the funding and construction of the Largest Little League Baseball Park in the United States.

He was preceded in death by a son, Richard Allen Melton, in 1954.

Survivors include his wife, Elizabeth Melton of Cross Plains; a son, Thomas Melton of Cross Plains; a daughter and son-in-law, Cheryl and Ron Trenary of Tulsa, Oklahoma; a grandson, Scott Trenary of Tulsa, Oklahoma; a sister, Wanda Flippin of Rising Star; and several nieces and nephews.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Cross Plains Emergency Medical Service through the Citizens State Bank.



Robert Hayes

Mr. Robert Hayes, 79, of Norwalk, California, died Tuesday, October 24, 2000 at 13818 Caufield Ave in Norwalk, California.

Robert was born June 1, 1921 in Cottonwood to Roy Hayes and Roxie Rose.

He is survived by daughters, Gloria Jean Thomas and Gina Ann Hayes both of California; one son, Brian Lee Hayes of California; one sister, Louise Strickland of Abilene; two grandchildren, Alana Cosette Hayes and Blake Matthew Thomas both of California; four nephews in Abilene and a cousin, Maurice Newton, in Baird.

Graveside services were at 2 p.m. Saturday, October 28, 2000 with Bob Pipes officiating. Burial was in the Cross Plains Cemetery with Higginbotham Funeral home of Cross Plains in charge of the arrangements.

Elsie Margaret Stroud

Mrs. Elsie Margaret Stroud, age 86, of Cross Plains, died October 24, 2000 at Brownwood Regional medical center in Brownwood.

She married Guy L. Stroud on December 29, 1931 in Oklahoma.

She is survived by son, J.B. Stroud of Irving; one sister, Sayra Fox of Cross Plains; one nephew, Max Evans of Cross Plains; three grandchildren and five great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her husband Guy L. Stroud on December 30, 1995.

Funeral services were held 10 a.m., Saturday, October 28, 2000 at the Graveside with Max Evans officiating. Burial was in the Cross Plains Cemetery in Cross Plains with Higginbotham Funeral Home of Cross Plains in charge.

Norman Claborn

Norman Claborn, 86, died Thursday, October 26, 2000 at Hendrick Medical Center. Funeral services were held Saturday at 3 p.m. in the Church of Christ with Richard Massey and David Harris officiating. Burial was in the Elm Cemetery under the direction of Higginbotham Funeral Home.

Mr. Claborn was born in Okra. He married Lolene Hughes, and was a veteran of the Army Air Corp during WWII. He lived in Rising Star since 1964. He was a dairy farmer and a member of the Church of Christ.

Survivors include his wife, Lolene of Rising Star; a daughter, Norma Lee Pernell and husband Tommy of Abilene; a son, Don Jay Claborn and wife Linda of Rising Star; 3 grandchildren; He was preceded in death by his parents and brother.

Albert F. Stevens

Mr. Albert F. Stevens, age 81, of Eden, Texas, died Tuesday, October 24, 2000 at San Angelo Community Hospital in San Angelo, Texas.

He married Eunice Rudloff on November 7, 1942 in Cross Plains, Texas.

He is survived by wife, Eunice Stevens of Cross Plains; two Daughters, Carla Sue Barfknecht of Eden and Betty Lou Delman of Houston; one son, Roger "Tex" Stevens of Houston; three sisters, Florence Whipple, Betty Reed and Marion Baird all of Ohio. Several nieces and nephews including special nephews Bob Rudloff of Eden and Connie Dale Rudloff of Boerne.

Funeral Services were held Thursday, October 26, 2000 at 2 p.m. at the Higginbotham Chapel with John Swift officiating. Burial was in the Cross Plains Cemetery in Cross Plains, Texas with Higginbotham Funeral Home of Cross Plains in charge.

Ranger College Presents Rumors

The Ranger College Drama Department and Delta Psi Omega proudly present Neil Simon's, Rumors.

Rumors will start at 8 p.m. in the Golemon Auditorium. It will show November 8th, 10th and 11th.

For reservations and further information contact: Kathy Watson Jumper, Director of Drama, or Delta Psi Omega officers Gena Camacho, President Kappa Kappa Delta and Amanda Adair, Secretary Kappa Kappa Delta at (254) 647-3234, ext. 102.



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Bob Wallace Pastor (254) 725-6607

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Courthouse News

COUNTY COURT Roger Corn, presiding

Misdemeanor Filings

Ladean Brewer, making alcohol available to a minor.

Christina Fleming, theft of property by check.

Bonifacio Perez, theft of property by check.

Tammy M. Sires, theft of property by check.

Sandra L. Chavez, theft of property by check.

Misdemeanor Minutes

Cherie Holland, motion to dismiss to theft of property by check granted, paid restitution.

Tommy Lee, plea of guilty to driving while intoxicated (DWI) - 2nd, 15 days in jail, \$300 fine, \$242.25 court costs.

Jerry Olinger, plea of guilty to driving while license suspended, 6 month probation, \$200 fine, \$242.25 court costs.

Jackie Joy, plea of guilty to deadly conduct, 1 year probation, \$1500 fine, \$229.25 court costs.

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

Tessie Tailon, plea of guilty to DWI, 2 year probation, \$450 fine, \$242.25 court costs.

Ladean Brewer, plea of guilty to making alcohol available to a minor, 6 month probation, \$200 fine, \$217.25 court costs.

Emmett Lee Johnson, plea of guilty to deadly conduct, 6 month probation, \$1000 fine, \$231.25 court costs.

Bill Vaughn, plea of guilty to theft of property by check, 6 month probation, \$50 fine, \$262.25 court costs, \$223.41 restitution.

Jeffrey Glenn Brown, motion to

dismiss to DWI granted, case dismissed for plea to Class C.

Ben T. McDougal, motion to dismiss to possession of marijuana granted, case dismissed for plea to felony case.

Bob Gene Breeding, motion to dismiss to possession of marijuana granted, case dismissed for plea to Class C.

Bob Gene Breeding, order releasing cash bond.

End of term order discharging defendants under misdemeanor probation: Kevin Gene Dossey, Matthew Wayne Gill, John Delano Pointer II, Scott E. Davis, Ruben Guerrero, Michael David Williams.

Marriage Licenses

John Michael Baidas and Christina Ann Fleming, both of Clyde.

42nd DISTRICT COURT John Weeks, presiding

Civil Filings

Maxie R. Burrow, Susan Philpott vs. Alan Glen Burrow, ownership of property.

Civil Minutes

Karen Dunaway and Bruce Dunaway, divorce granted.

Kalah Nan Noland and Jimmy Lee Noland, divorce granted.

Brenda Sue Martinez and Salvador Martinez, divorce granted.

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

R. David Williams vs. Ricky Shanne Hasha, order of dismissal granted.

Criminal Minutes

Trevor Deal, judgment revoking probation granted.

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Bill Armstrong - Pastor

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Bob Wallace, Pastor (254) 725-6607

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Sunday Morning Worship 10:00 a.m.
Michael Ingram, Pastor

Pioneer News

By: Pioneer Quilting Club

The Quilting Club needs to give some "BIG" thanks to some of the helpers with the Quilt and Art Show. A "super" big thanks to the Big Country East owned by Tim and Melissa Evans for furnishing the panels for us to display our quilts on. Also, thanks to Betty Beggs for having a fabulous Art Show. Thanks to Bonnie White for donating the beautiful landscape painting we used for our door prize. These and others made us have a very successful day. Thanks again!

The annual Harvest Supper for the Pioneer Community will be November 2nd at the Pioneer Community Center. Serving will start at 6:00 p.m. Everyone is invited, especially if you live in the Pioneer area. It is an evening of fellowship and good food. Just bring a dish to go with the turkey and dressing. This is our game night, so the 42 playing will start shortly after eating. Come on out.

Earlene Burge enjoyed a short visit by her brother, Rudolph Brown of Denton, and a nephew, Tommy Brown from Kenya, Africa. Also, it was an enjoyable day on Saturday

for the Quilt Show and meeting so many people.

Charlene Chesshir had her son, Jim and grandson Dusty come to her house for the weekend. Jim plowed until the rain stopped him. Dusty caught two wild pigs in his trap. Sure excited us all!

Oliver and Frankie and Jean Fore went to the Rising Star Musical Thursday night. Friday, they traveled to the Cottonwood Musical. They had such wonderful food. It was their Thanksgiving Supper.

The Quilting ladies put in the rehab quilt. It has to be finished by the first of December in order to get to the center. It is a bright colored "Clay's Choice". We are also working on Trish's "Barn Door". Jean A's beautiful "Log Cabin" was finished. It will be for her granddaughter's college graduation in the spring. We will put in one more quilt before the Christmas break.

Everyone in the community is very thankful for the rain. Oh! It does make such a difference. It is great seeing the farmers plowing and planting their winter crops. The country side looks so pretty.

See you next week!

Colonial Oaks Nursing Home News

By: Linda Merritt

Mary Wheeler reports that she enjoyed eating lunch out in celebration of her birthday with her two sisters, Maydell Molsinger from Nugent, Texas and Billie Davis from San Angelo.

Thoughts and prayers for Lester Bush, Wonnie Walton and Hallie Hartley who are in the hospital.

A warm welcome for our new residents Raymond and Hallie Hartley.

Appreciation to Stormie Jones for the Subway sandwiches and Frances and James Wolf for helping with the October fest party.

Betty Beggs from Rising Star visited Minnie Swann.

Mary Dawson from Tuscola, Kathe Sisk and Emmett Stiles from Pensacola, Fla, Dub and Beth Meador visited with Nan Stiles.

Norma Goble visited with Delilah Goble.

Hazel Lee from Pioneer visited with Pauline Region and Ralph Lee.

Beth Savell and Wendy Rose visited with Victor Long.

Amber Phillips visited with J.C. Childers.

Shauna Guerrero from Abilene, Lurene McNutt and Charlou Cowan visited with Louise Richardson.

Bobby Jack McCowen visited with Raymond McCowen, Jesse Harris and J.C. Childers.

Bob Wallace visited with Ralph Lee.

Michael Curry, Deborah and James Griswold from Hawley visited with Deen Haddox.

Activities during the week:
Monday: Bingo winners were: Minnie Swann, Vera Belyeu (2), Falba Shotner, Maxine Crisp (2) and June Hickman. 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.

Friday: Bingo winners were: June Hickman, Falba Shotner, Vera Belyeu (2), Delilah Goble and Minnie Swann. Popcorn, Skip-Bo games.

Sunday: Pioneer Pentecostal Friendship is a plant which must be watered often.

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Quips, Clips & Comments

By: Kay Mosley

"As Time Goes By"

When we were very young we enjoyed a very large, extended family. Two sets of grandparents, a couple of great grandmothers, a boodle of uncles, simply scads of aunts and absolutely JILLIONS of cousins and cousins and more cousins.

Family Get Togethers seemed almost like carnivals or a family circus. On just one side of the family we had nine aunts and nine uncles; on the other side four aunts and four uncles. Before we realized as time would go by; we would accumulate more and more cousins as the days went on.

On one side there were twenty-one cousins, on the other side ten and then as time went by that ten became eleven.

My sister and I were some of the younger cousins on the maternal side, our mother was next to the youngest of eight children; on the paternal side--only one cousin was older than me and my sister was number four out of eleven cousins.

As we were growing up we lost one grandmother in about probably 1943 or '44--I wasn't even in school yet. Then about '46 an uncle at a very young age. However we were quite lucky, we didn't lose anyone else 'til about '49 or '50s. We lost our paternal grandfather.

As time sped by we grew up and most of us cousins had children of our own, though they were very young. We lost our maternal grandmother about 1966. I had two children then.

More time passed by as we were busily raising children and some of us had more babies. We lost our other grandmother about 1974 or '75. By that time I had four children, the youngest of mine; still in diapers.

We lost an aunt in '63 when I had only one child, she passed on before her father (my grandfather) and approximately one month before the assassination of John F. Kennedy, the U.S. President.

As time wore on we began to lose more uncles and then I lost my own father in 1978.

Time now seemed to be gaining on us. We lost two or three cousins, then more and more aunts, uncles and more cousins.

Only one now remaining our Aunt Ila Jo on the fraternal side. No uncles remain. More cousins have departed; on Mama's side of the original twenty-one cousins; seventeen still remain.

As time goes by, though some we have lost, we have gained others. Of the fifty-three great-grandchildren on the one side about three have been lost, but as usual we have already another whole new generation plus another generation has already begun.

On the fraternal side, of the eleven cousins we all are still here, and all our offspring of which I count twenty-eight are still with us. Of our grandchildren and this is a very loose count, I am estimating thirty-one.

Tragically though last year we lost a fourteen year old boy in the Fort Worth Church shooting. He was Joey Ennis, my cousin Gayle's grandson. On October 19, 2000 I lost my mother, Iris Dennis. She was 88 years of age. As time continues to go by we value our heritage, love our present and future generations, mourn those lost to us and strive for a better life for us all, as did our Forebearers.

And-----As Time Goes By, We Rejoice In The Future!

Cross Cut Cemetery Receives Donations

Memorial donations for Arcie Hubbard and Andy Melton were recently received by the Cross Cut Cemetery.

Donations may be mailed to O.B.

Byrd, Route 2 Box 79, Cross Plains, Texas 76443. All contributions are greatly appreciated by the cemetery association.

Garden Tips

James Nichols

Protect roses by mounding them with several inches of soil or compost around the base. In very cold regions wrap the entire plant in burlap.

Set up a bird feeder now when birds are establishing their winter habitats. Fill it regularly.

Decorate your yard with holiday lights.

Continue to rake leaves and place in compost pile.

Flower of the Month:

Pineapple Sage - rather loose grower, to 18 to 24 inches tall. Leaves have aroma of fresh pineapple. Flowers--one bright red that is born late summer and fall. May be perennial as far north as zone 8, but will die to ground with freeze. Cut back frozen tissues and mulch heavily.

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Scranton Musical
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November 4 at
Community Center

The Scranton Musical will be held Saturday, November 4, 2000 at the Scranton Community Center. The kitchen will serve from 5:30 to 9:00 a.m. Ann Etta Dunning and Helen Brashear will serve from the kitchen. Donations of pies or sandwiches will be welcomed. The music will flow through the auditorium at 6:30 p.m. Mark Ray, emcee, will take reservations, for your group, at (915) 692-2057. Hope to see you!

Quarterly Meeting Scheduled for the Scranton Community Center

There will be a quarterly meeting of the Scranton Community Center on Tuesday November 7, 2000. Please remember to vote and attend the community center meeting, which will begin at 6:00 p.m., in the community center. Wanda Hull, president, will conduct the meeting. All residents of the

Scranton area and those in neighboring towns, with an interest in the Scranton community, are encouraged to attend. There is a need for others to help with the monthly musicals. Please attend to help the community center to continue being a part of the community.

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Well most good fishermen have learned you mark your spot by taking your sightings on a mark or object on one shore and lining it up with another on the opposite shoreline--rather than taking a chance on getting the same boat! And in life, the Master Fisherman must be the One from whom we get our bearings, and mark our position. His standards and rules for living, His guidelines, limitations, freedoms--these are the points upon which we must align ourselves and our lives. He's the only "cross" that remains constant, and upon which we can depend--and at which we are wise to "drop anchor!" "We who have fled to take hold of the hope offered to us may be greatly encouraged. We have this hope as an anchor for the soul, firm and secure." Hebrews 6:18b, 19a.

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C.P. STUDENT REVIEW



GOOD LUCK VARSITY BOYS AT REGIONAL - Josh Hopkins (front, from left), Nick Dimitri and Kyle Wilson. Casey Pack (back, from left), Andy Bennett, Ryan Mack and Randy Duncan.

Regional Cross Country to be Held November 4th

Those students who qualified for Regional in Cross Country will be running this Saturday, November 4, at Vander Griff Park in Arlington. Christin Hyles will run at 10:25 a.m. in her division, while the boys team will begin at 10:50 a.m. Come out and show your support.



JUNIOR VARSITY CROSS COUNTRY - Meghann Lewis (front, from left), Angela Swift, Candice Bailey, Danielle Marion and Erin Stephens. Amanda Kitchens (back, from left), Melanie Chesshir and Judith Mauricio.



VARSITY CROSS COUNTRY - Shena Thomas (front). Danielle Marion (back, from left), Tessa Wyatt, Amanda Kitchens, Jennifer Young, Christin Hyles and Shana Hyles.



JUNIOR HIGH CROSS COUNTRY - Rainey Bacon (front, from left), Naomi Isbell and Dayna Bennett. Amanda Duran (back, from left), Jesse Norris, Kelsee Richards, Kali Phillips, Stephanie Edington and Kati Mack.



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Who's Who Among Teachers, 2000 Named

A select group of America's teachers are being honored by their toughest critics...their former students, in the sixth edition of *Who's Who Among America's Teachers, 2000*. All of the approximately 114,000 teachers being honored were selected by their former students who themselves are currently listed in *Who's Who Among American High School Students*, or *The National Dean's List*, publications which recognize 5% of our nation's high school and college students respectively. Paul Krouse, publisher of

Who's Who Among America's Teachers said, "there is no greater honor teachers can receive than to be recognized by former students for their excellence and dedication. In this publication we clearly have the best teachers in America selected by the best students."

The students were requested to nominate the one teacher from their entire academic career who "made a difference in their life" by helping to shape their values, inspiring interest in a particular subject and/or challenging them to strive for excellence. Many of the students commented about the enthusiasm and knowledge their teachers demonstrated in the classroom, and many praised their teachers for their ability to relate to youngsters on a personal as well as professional level. One student wrote about her teacher saying, "she made education something pleasurable, instead of a dreadful ordeal by letting me spread my wings and showing me the best way to fly."

Local educators honored in *Who's Who Among America's Teachers, 2000* include...
Cross Plains:
Michael F. Cavender
Rachel Hunter



SCHOOL MENU

- November 6- November 10
BREAKFAST
- MONDAY--Cream of Wheat, Toast, Assorted Juice
 - TUESDAY--Waffle, Sausage, Assorted Juice
 - WEDNESDAY--Scrambled Eggs, Bacon, Biscuit, Assorted Juice
 - THURSDAY--Cereal, Toast, Assorted Juice
 - FRIDAY--Cinnamon Roll, Assorted Juice
- LUNCH**
- MONDAY--Hot Dog w/Chili & Cheese, Corn, Crackers, Pears
 - TUESDAY--Chicken Nuggets, Gravy, Creamed Potatoes, Green Beans, Rolls, Honey
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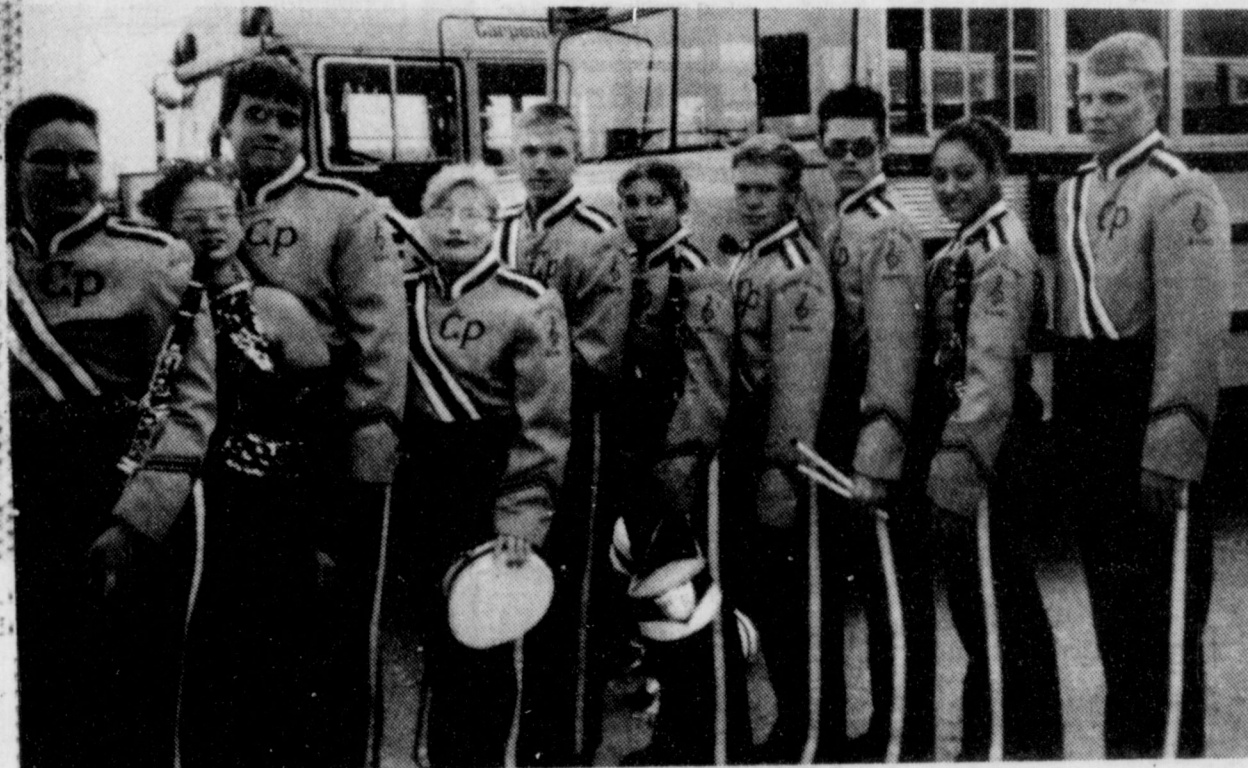
BUFFALOES DEFENSIVE LINE POWERFUL

Buffaloes Remain Undefeated in District

Cross Plains Varsity Buffaloes defeated the Rising Star Wildcats 54-0 Friday night. The defense scored 3 touchdowns and a punt return.

The Buffaloes play the May Tigers Friday in May at 7:30 p.m. If Cross Plains beats May, the Buffaloes are

guaranteed a spot in the playoffs. Come out and support the Buffaloes!



SENIORS FOR 2000-2001 CROSS PLAINS BUFFALOES MARCHING BAND - Toni Mae Wyatt (from left), Jennifer Hartman, Jake Merryman, Alisa Hail, Jacob Easterling, Charlie Bell, Kyle Wilson, Mikey Bennett, Danielle Marion and Roger Carey.



KRISTIN HUNTER

Kristin D. Hunter Named to Who's Who

Kristin D. Hunter will appear in the 34th annual edition of Who's Who Among American High School Students, 1999-00.

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Final selection is determined on the basis of criteria which include high achievement in academic and leadership in school activities, athletics or community service. Traditionally, 99 percent of Who's Who students have a grade point of "B" or better and 97 percent are college bound.

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Kristin is a senior at Cross Plains High School and the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ken Hunter.

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Barbara Worcester, a resident of Clyde, Texas, who was diagnosed with Parkinson's disease 12 years ago, has contributed poetry to a compilation of poems, narratives and artwork that expresses the personal experiences of people living with the debilitating neurological disorder.

Ms. Worcester contributed six poems and a narrative to *Voices from the Parking Lot* parkinson's insights and perspectives, which has been published by the Princeton, NJ-based Parkinson Alliance, a national nonprofit organization which raises money to finance Parkinson's disease research. The book is available through the organization's web site, www.parkinsonalliance.net.

In the poetry and narrative she contributed to *Voices from the Parking Lot*, Ms. Worcester, who writes for Parkinson's News from the Front Lines, demonstrates her gift for humor and the ability to cut straight to the heart of Parkinson's. Ms. Worcester is presenting a copy of the book to the Clyde Public Library. Ms. Worcester also writes a monthly column for the *Clyde Journal* entitled "The Children's Corner."

Dedicated to those who have already gone before in the struggle against the disease, *Voices from the Parking Lot* is where people with Parkinson's gather to share their stories about the disease that affects more than 1 million Americans.

Voices from the Parking Lot also offers solace to others imprisoned by Parkinson's. It is an emotional roller coaster through the world of Parkinson's disease. The 27 contributors of the 75 passages and 15 artworks are people with Parkinson's, caregivers and family members.

The book grew out of an art exhibit of paintings by Jane Scott, an artist based in Peoria, Illinois, and photographs by Marc Esser of Glasford, Illinois. Their exhibit, "The Letting Go - A Parkinson's Story," chronicles Ms. Scott's father, Claude Scott, through his struggle and transformation after his diagnosis of Parkinson's disease. The collection contains 22 watercolors and photographs.

Voices from the Parking Lot is the inspiration of Margaret Tuchman, president of The Parkinson Alliance, who was diagnosed with Parkinson's disease 20 years ago. She conceived of collecting an anthology of literary works to give voice to the artistic images. "We all met on the Internet," she says in

explaining how people with Parkinson's from around the world began e-mailing the editors their personal stories to be included in the book.

In a special review of the book, Helen Gurley Brown, Editor-in-Chief of *Cosmopolitan International Editions*, writes, "I have become aware of Parkinson's because the husband of a dear friend fought so valiantly against the disease, then died of complications. Perhaps that association has caused me to read *Voices from the Parking Lot* with such intense interest, though anyone reading this material would find it haunting and inspiring."

In the book's foreword, Robin Anthony Elliott, Executive Director of the New York-based Parkinson's Disease Foundation, which helps finance scientifically validated medical research, writes, "This book will be an enduring source of inspiration and community to the millions who live with and daily defy this insidious condition. Perhaps even more powerfully, it will serve as a spur to conscience and call to action."

The goal of the Princeton-based Parkinson Alliance is a cure of the progressive, debilitating disease in five years. The Parkinson Alliance leverages every \$1 donated into \$2 for research. It is also a system that produces results. Last year, the organization's fund-raising efforts contributed to \$1.4 million in grants for research projects. So far this year, the efforts have resulted in \$1.8 million in grants, almost reaching the Parkinson Alliance's goal of \$2 million. The researchers use the grants to accumulate preliminary data to apply for additional grants from the National Institutes of Health (NIH), which has proposed a five-year Parkinson's research agenda to Congress of nearly \$1 billion in new funding for a cure within five years.

The cover price of the book is \$25, plus shipping and handling. Net proceeds will finance pilot study grants that bear the name *Voices from the Parking Lot*. "We could be the grant that will find the key to unlock the door of this horrific disease," says Margaret Tuchman.

The book was released during the Parkinson's Unity Walk in New York City's Central Park on September 24. The Unity Walk is one of the major national events held annually to raise funds for Parkinson's disease research, and attracts thousands of people from around the country.

Parkinson's disease is characterized by a gradual loss of effective movement, caused by the degeneration of a specific group of nerve cells, or neurons, in the brain. These neurons utilize dopamine as their neurotransmitter — a chemical released to transmit nerve impulses between neurons.

In the absence of dopamine, the brain is unable to correctly process information related to movement, resulting in the hallmark symptoms of Parkinson's disease: tremor, slowness of movement, stooped posture, and rigidity. The cause of Parkinson's is unknown, but, according to medical experts, halting the progression of the disease, restoring lost function and even preventing the disease are all realistic scientific goals.

The Princeton, NJ-based Parkinson Alliance is a national organization dedicated to raising funds to help finance the most scientifically validated research into Parkinson's disease. Its ultimate goal is to help find a cure of the progressive, debilitating neurological disease in five years. The Alliance, which sponsors fund-raising events and activities throughout the year, leverages every \$1 in donations into \$2 for research. Parkinson's affects more than 1 million Americans, with 60,000 new cases diagnosed every year — one every nine minutes — 40 percent are under the age of 60.

Auto thefts down in state; pickup theft still tops list

Austin — Even though there's been a slight decrease in the total number of vehicle thefts in Texas in the last year, the GM pickup truck remains the favorite pick of thieves.

In 1999, there were 91,992 auto thefts in Texas, down from 96,614 in 1998, according to the Texas Automobile Theft Prevention Authority (ATPA), a section of the Texas Department of Transportation.

Three of the top ten most stolen vehicles were pickup trucks. GM, Ford and Dodge trucks were the first, second and seventh choices of thieves, respectively. The Honda Accord edged out the Olds Cutlass as the third most stolen vehicle in Texas.

Once again, Houston had the most vehicle thefts in 1999 with 24,705, followed closely by Dallas with 23,193.

October is "Watch Your Car" Month and the ATPA warns Texans that even if they drive an old car instead of a shiny new car, they need to actively protect themselves against vehicle theft.

"Auto thieves often steal cars to commit other offenses," said Susan Sampson, ATPA's director of public education, "so any car can be a target."

Once again, Texas statistics show that most thieves are teenagers. Law enforcement agents arrested 9,320 people aged 15 to 19 on vehicle theft charges in 1999. The ATPA encourages residents to protect their vehicles by registering them free of charge with the Watch Your Car H.E.A.T. (Help End Auto Theft) program. Call 1-800-CAR-WATCH for information.

During October, law enforcement officers will ticket motorists who leave an engine running on an unattended vehicle, a violation that carries a fine of up to \$200.

Author.....

teacher from Cisco, commented, "The Cross Plains Library is doing great. It is good to see the men of the community are taking a part." One of those men, Ray Womack said, "The program was above entertaining. It was informative along with entertaining." James Nichols said, "This was one of the better ones. No, it was one of the best." In other words, he was pleased.

Blakely e-mailed Charles and Lou Rodenberger, "Thanks for the great event in Cross Plains. I had a wonderful and profitable time... Because of the Cross Plains publicity, I'm probably going to be performing for the Coleman Library in November." That date will be publicized later.

There is more to come. On January 30, Bill Neely, who has written what is probably the finest book on Quanah Parker, will be here. With him will be Drew McDaniels, curator of collections at the Museum of the Great Plains in Lawton, Oklahoma, known for research about Comanche Indians.

Mark your calendars now. This is something you won't want to miss. Read about Parker at the C.P. Public Library.

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Commissioners to post speed limit signs on County Road 278

Callahan County Commissioners voted to approve renaming Private Road 2461 as County Road 278 and also voted to post speed limit signs on County Road 278, during the commissioners regular bi-monthly meeting Monday, October 23.

On a motion by Commissioner Bryan Farmer and second by Commissioner Tommy Holland, county commissioners voted 5-0 to approve adopting Private Road 2461 as County Road 278. The roadway is located in Commissioner Farmer's Precinct #2.

After accepting Private Road 2461 as County Road 278, county commissioners then made a motion to post speed limit signs of 30 miles an hour on County Road 278. The motion to post speed limit signs was made by Commissioner Farmer and seconded by Commissioner Charlie Grider with a vote of 5-0.

Other agenda items brought before the commissioners' court included:

—The minutes of the October 10 commissioners' court meeting were approved as presented.

—There was no public comments made to the commissioners' court.

—On a motion by Commissioner Harold Hicks and second by Commissioner Grider, county commis-

sioners voted 5-0 to approve the purchase of an air filter for the computer room at the Callahan County Jail. The West Central Texas Council of Government will apply \$360 towards the purchase.

—On a motion by Commissioner Farmer and second by Commissioner Hicks, county commissioners voted 5-0 to approve the purchase of mobile phones for the four County Deputies at the Callahan County Sheriff's Department. The phones will be under the deputies names and the county will pay the base fee of \$39.99 per phone.

—On a motion by Commissioner Grider and second by Commissioner Holland, county commissioners voted 5-0 to lift the countywide burn ban until further notice.

—On a motion by Commissioner Holland and second by Commissioner Grider, county commissioners voted 5-0 to approve an amended plat for the Country Club Estates Addition.

—On a motion by Commissioner Grider and second by Commissioner Farmer, county commissioners voted 5-0 to pay the current bills.

—On a motion by County Judge Roger Corn and second by Commissioner Grider, county commissioners voted 5-0 to adjourn the commissioners' court meeting.

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Jeanie Bohannon
Signature of Officer

Por lo presente se da aviso que el equipo para tabular automaticamente que se usara en la Eleccion General que se llevara a cabo el November 7, 2000 se probara el November 3, 2000 a las 9:00 a.m. en Commissioners' Courtroom on the second floor of the County Courthouse para determinar si el equipo contara con exactitud los votos para todos los puestos oficiales y sobre todas los proyectos de ley.

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WTU linemen finish big in rodeo competition

ABILENE, Texas, October 27, 2000 — Linemen from American Electric Power's (NYSE:AEP) West Texas Utilities (WTU) received impressive scores during competition at the International Lineman's Rodeo in Kansas City.

Joseph Kalina and John Goolsby, both of San Angelo, were top individual contenders at this year's rodeo. Kalina, a service technician, won first place in the individual pole climb for journeymen with a time of 15.6 seconds. He competed against 448 other men for the top ranking. This was Kalina's first time to compete in the international rodeo.

John Goolsby's 494 points earned him a seventh-place finish for a combined series of events including the hurt man rescue, pole climbing, a written test and other electrical service skills.

The international rodeo competition was designed to recognize linemen workers and to improve employees' focus on safety, enhance job knowledge, skills, and teamwork. Contestants are judged on safety, work practices, neatness, ability, equipment handling and timeliness of event competition.

WTU took three teams and two apprentices to last month's 17th annual rodeo, which attracted 227 teams from across the country, as well as England, Canada and Jamaica. The NorthCentral journeyman team placed fourth in the pole climb. NorthCentral team members were Ricky Brown and Mike O'Dell, of Abilene and Tommy Rosenquist, also from Abilene, was the alternate team member.

Joseph Kalina, Paul Batten and Tony Gibson represented WTU's SouthWest journeyman team, with Jonathan Murray as the alternate. The SouthWest team received a sixth place in the dead-end bell change and eleventh place in the disconnect change events. The seniors team included Scooter McMinn, Mark Koegel and Armando Holguin, all from San Angelo and Sal Tonche, alternate, of Abilene. John Goolsby and Cody Wilson were the apprentice competitors.

"It was really exciting and a challenge to compete against some of the best in the world. Team members were always offering their help and we learned a lot from each other's experience," Kalina said. "It was a lot of hard work, but it was also a lot of fun," he added.

In preparation for the international rodeo, the WTU teams and apprentices competed at the Texas Lineman's Rodeo held in San Antonio in July. The SouthWest team placed third overall out of 45 teams and won first in the hurt man rescue and second in the pole climb. The NorthCentral team won first in the pole climb and second in the hurt man rescue and placed thirteenth overall. Joseph Kalina placed first in the individual events for the pole climb and the hurt man rescue. John Goolsby walked away with top honors placing first in the knowledge test and winning first place overall out of all apprentice linemen in the competition. "I'm glad the company supports the rodeos. They're great confidence builders and I wouldn't trade the experiences for anything," Goolsby said.

WTU, a subsidiary of American Electric Power, serves 188,000 customers in a 53,000 square-mile service area in West Texas, bordered by Oklahoma to the North and Mexico to the South.

American Electric Power is a multinational energy company based in Columbus, Ohio. AEP is one of the United States' largest generators of electricity with more than 38,000 megawatts of generating capacity. AEP is also one of the nation's leading wholesale energy marketers and traders. AEP delivers electricity to more than 4.8 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.

Goodwin-Watson Reunion Held October 7, 2000

Forty-four family members and friends gathered at the Cross Plains Community Center on Saturday, October 7, 2000 for their nineteenth annual Goodwin-Watson reunion. A barbecue lunch catered by Randy and Kim Crooks of San Angelo was served at noon. Hosts were R.T. Watson and his family.

Five generations were represented. The oldest present was 100 year old Alice Godwin Edington of Albany, and R.T. Watson, 95, of Burkett. The youngest present was Macy Allen, two months old, of Van. A five generation picture was made of R.T. Watson, Patsy Watson Hill, Trish Hill Parker, Marie Parker Allen, and Macy Faith Allen.

Those attending the reunion were as follows: Burkett - R.T. Watson, Jack Watson, Tommie Connelly,

Chris and Cynthia Connelly, Christine, Lance and Chance; Coleman - Tom Mac and Paulette Connelly; Cross Plains - Lois Garrett; Albany - Alice Edington and Virginia Baker; Abilene - Joe and Guy Watson; Petolia - Bill Holland and Leah Ridinger; Mineral Wells - Jake Watson; Weatherford - Charles Watson; Brownwood - Jeffrey Watson and Heather Edwards; Granbury - Phil and Jane Waddell and Jana Blanco; Putnam - Rhonda Hunter Vestal, Ricky and Brittany Hunter, Hank and Nelda Hunter; San Angelo - Randall, Lyanne and Jana Caussey, Chad Luncan, Randy, Kim and Tanner Crooks; Van - Rick, Trish, Laci and Judd Parker, Jodi Jones, Marie and Macy Allen and Patsy Hill.



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NOVEMBER 7

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Kora (Turner) Agnew
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Billie Helen Gardner
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Tessa Jo Wyatt
Gary Goodson

NOVEMBER 4

Gayle Burnam
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Phil Gramm, U.S. Senator, Room 370 Russell Building, Washington, D.C. 20510-4302
Kay Bailey Hutchison, U.S. Senator, Room 703, Hart Building, Washington, D.C. 20510-4301.

PET TALK

If your dog Spot gets a spot on his lung, he's probably not alone.

Cancer in animals — especially dogs — is as common as cancer in humans, says a Texas A&M University veterinarian who specializes in treating and diagnosing the disease. Dr. Claudia Barton has done extensive research in animal cancer and says the disease seems to surface as often in the animal world as it does among humans.

But unlike people, certain animals seem to have much higher incidence rates of cancer. Dogs are at the top of the list, followed by cats. Their chances of getting cancer are higher than humans contracting the disease, she says.

But humans have a much higher cancer rate than horses or cows, while cancer in birds is rare.

"We do know that certain species of animals seem to get cancer more than others. Why this happens, we just don't know," Barton explains.

"Dogs, for instance, have higher rates of skin cancer, breast cancer and bone cancer, and also leukemia. Humans have more lung cancer, which we attribute to smoking, and more gastrointestinal cancers, which are probably related to diet.

"But by using dogs as models and learning from them, we can apply some of what we know about cancer to humans," Barton adds.

Barton says the incidence of cancer in dogs is higher than it was 25 or 30 years ago because animals are living longer. It is not uncommon, she says, to see 18-year-old dogs and 21-year-old cats.

"The longer an animal lives, you see the diseases of aging just like you see in people," she explains. "You see more cancer, more heart disease and kidney trouble in animals just as you might see in older people."

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Rep. Stenholm's Ag Talk

By Charlie Stenholm
October 27, 2000
Boll Weevil Eradication Work Continues

Texas' effort to rid the state of the destructive boll weevil is set to receive additional help. The recently passed Ag Appropriations bill contains \$79.1 million for states fighting the cotton-eating beetle. Texas is expected to receive about \$25 million, far from the \$5 million a year that Texas has been granted in the past. I have no doubt that this program is making positive strides for the cotton industry and U.S. consumers.

Boll weevils first showed up on the border near Brownsville in the late 1800's. Since then, they have spread throughout Texas and other states causing harm to all cotton fields. These pests are the top threat to cotton, Texas' largest cash crop. The boll weevil cost Texas farmers about \$50 million each year through crop losses and increased spending on crop pesticides.

Earlier this year, state officials announced the Southern Rolling Plains Eradication Zone boll weevil free, the first zone in Texas to be successfully eradicated. With continued work, hopefully Texas will have more successful areas like the Southern Rolling Plains. In times of extreme hardships for cotton farmers, the elimination of the boll weevil would provide relief during these difficult times.

USDA Provides Additional Help For Struggling Dairy Farmers

On Tuesday, Agriculture Secretary Dan Glickman told America's dairy farmers that significant new assistance is on the way. In addition to the assistance provided for livestock feed losses and crop disaster, the agriculture appropriations bill that President Clinton is expected to sign soon, provides an estimated \$667 million to assist dairy farmers with low milk prices, which have declined for 3 consecutive years.

The current prices are at their lowest level since 1991. This support will help small- and medium-size dairy farms survive through these difficult times. The assistance payments will be made to dairy farmers who received payments in the previous two years, as well as new producers.

In addition, USDA will expand its

Dairy Options Pilot Program. This program aids dairy farmers in placing a "floor" under the price they receive for milk by using the futures and options markets. Further details are expected to be announced next month.

Watershed Improvement Provisions Pass Congress

During the past 50 years, the Natural Resources Conservation Service has provided assistance for the development of water resource projects through the PL-566 or Small Watershed Program. This program assisted in the construction of 10,400 small dams in 46 states to aid in flood prevention, fish and wildlife habitat improvement, enhancement of water quality, and a variety of other benefits.

However, more than 5,000 of these dams are over 30 years old and are approaching the end of their expected life span. Even more importantly, some now pose a serious threat to public health and safety.

Because of this, Congress took action by passing a bill, H.R. 728, to provide cost-share assistance to local organizations to rehabilitate these structures. This action could benefit the 17th District, since of the 449 project dams in our district, over 10% are in need of structural repair. The projected funding needed for this rehabilitation work within the 17th District alone, is almost \$14 million.

House Passes Grain Standards Act of 2000

The House and Senate has completed action on legislation reauthorizing the U.S. Grain Standards Act and updating the U.S. Warehouse Act.

With today's world market, it is vital that our farmers and commodity merchants have access to the best technical support possible to help them compete in the global market. This legislation helps continue that tradition by reauthorizing the official inspection and weighing activities of the Grain Inspection, Packers and Stockyards Administration.

It also updates the U.S. Warehouse Act and provides for the use of electronic documentation under the Act. The cotton industry moved to the use of electronic documentation several years ago with much success. This legislation will provide that same opportunity to the grains and oilseeds sectors.



CAROLYN WILSON SHOWING HER WINNING HORSE, "TALKER"

C Bar J's Sweet Talker Brings Home Seven Ribbons

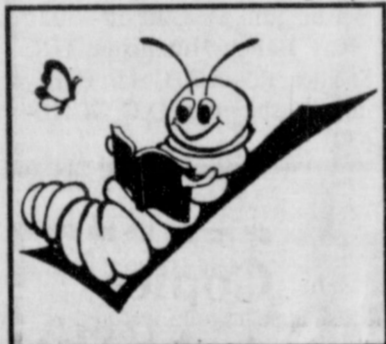
"C Bar J Sweet Talker" again did Carolyn and Jimmy Wilson proud at the Southwestern Miniature Horse Fall Classic in Glen Rose on October 21st and 22nd.

The competition was awesome. The yearly National was held September 30th to October 7th, marking the end of the year 2000. This was the first accredited American Miniature Horse Association show since then. It seemed everyone was anxious to get off to a big start and rack up points for the year 2001, so the classes were huge. Despite all this "Talker" was able to capture seven

ribbons.

Jimmy and Carolyn's kids, Brent, Sandy and Brintni came from Stephenville to help out. There is always a lot involved, such as, decorating the stalls, mucking stalls, grooming the horse, taking pictures, and much more. It's a lot of work, but also a lot of fun. Sandy even pitched in and showed "Talker" for Carolyn in the last class, because she wasn't feeling well. It was her first time to show, and she was a bit apprehensive, but she did an excellent job.

If you ever get the chance to attend a "Mini" show, be sure and go, you will be glad you did.



October 23-27

Hi! Did you meet Mike Blakely last week? That "visit with the author" was the greatest. But this next one on January 30 may top them all. Have you heard of Quannah Parker? Cynthia Ann Parker? Well, get to the public library and begin reading. (No. This is not a lawyer in Abilene.)

Memorials:

M/M T.L. Bailey for V.D. Walters
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Charlie and Doris Grider for V.D. Walters

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Cross Plains	1
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Interlibrary Loan	3
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Fall Convention of Texas Garden Clubs

The Fall Convention of District VIII of Texas Garden Clubs, Inc., will convene in San Angelo, Texas November 10-11, 2000. Host clubs are San Angelo Garden Club and Senisa Verdure Garden Club.

Pre-Convention activities begin with Registration 4:00-6:00 p.m. on Friday, November 10 at the Massie Myers Garden Center, 815 South Abe.

Following will be a catered Dutch Treat Dinner at the same location.

On Saturday, November 11, meetings will be at the First Christian church, 29 North Oakes. Registration, Hospitality, and Shopping will be 8:00-9:30 a.m.; Executive meeting 8:30 a.m. and the Business meeting at 9:30 a.m. Mrs. LaVerne Hood of Snyder, District VIII Director will be in charge of the business sessions. Lunch at 12:00 Noon with a garden related program at 1:00 p.m. to highlight the Convention. "CACTUS COUNTRY CELEBRATION" is the theme of the Convention.

Serving as Convention Chairman is Mrs. Helen Roach with Mrs. Mary Sue Jones acting as Registration Chairman. Both ladies are from San Angelo.

District VIII is made up of Garden Clubs from Abilene, Ballinger, Big Lake, Breckenridge, Coleman, Colorado City, Cross Plains, Del Rio, Haskell, Iraan, McCamey, Merkel, Ozona, San Angelo, Snyder, and Stamford. Members of Garden Clubs from these towns will be in attendance.

Letters To The Editor

The election is coming up, and I plan to vote several times. Just how many times I will vote depends on those who read this as well as others. It works like this: If only half of eligible voters do so, then my vote will count for two votes; and if only one fourth of eligible voters vote, then I will be voting for myself and three others, so I will be casting four votes for those I choose.

So sit back and relax. If you don't vote, I'll cast your vote.

Curt Hoskins
Cross Plains, Tx

In the spirit of the upcoming elections, the citizens of the United States need to consider not what your government can do for you, but what you can do for yourself. Do not vote for the candidate offering you the most because there is no such thing as a free lunch. Neither is there such a thing as free freedom. It is every citizen's personal duty to know your freedom to choose, whether it be your career choices, which religion to be a part of, or which candidate that you want to lead this great country. All of the freedoms that we as Americans bestow are because of the free enterprise system. Free enterprise is a luxury that Americans have but rarely use. On November 7, 2000, it is your duty and responsibility as citizens of the United States of Americans to go out and vote!

Angela Kennedy
Andrews High School
President DECA Chapter

Brownwood Area Farmers Market Will Have A Membership Drive

The Brownwood area farmers market is having a membership drive for anyone that likes gardening, meeting great people, and making extra money. From your small backyard garden to any size you desire, you should consider joining the Brownwood area farmers market. Our first membership meeting of the coming year will be held in Jan. 2001, and everyone is welcome to attend. Please call if you have any questions, Jason Lewis (915) 642-5003 or Robert Isham (915) 784-2881.

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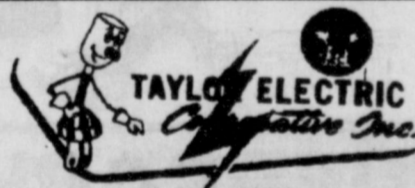
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By: Tom Ivey

WOMEN VETERANS—You are reminded of the 14th Annual Women Veterans Day activities to be held on Thursday, November 9 in Big Spring. The program will consist of various speakers and a luncheon honoring women Veterans. For more information please contact Ms. Carolyn Rebber, RN at the Big Spring VA Medical Center, 1-800-472-1365, Ext. 7175.

TVLB SEMINAR—It was good to see several Callahan County Veterans at the Texas Veterans Land Board seminar held in Abilene on October 26. It is hoped that you gained information that will be helpful.

VETERANS DAY—November will bring the observance of Veterans Day on November 11. The day dates back to the signing of the Armistice at the 11th hour of the 11th day of the 11th month in 1918. The Armistice ended the "Great War", the "War to end all Wars." Twenty three years later we would suffer the real "Great War". In recognition of the thousands who served in World War II, President Eisenhower changed the observance from "Armistice Day" to "Veterans Day" to honor all who have served our great country. Remember to thank a Veteran on their day—November 11.

UNDERAGE SERVICEMAN—It is difficult to realize today but earlier years saw many "Child Warriors" serving their country. Patriotism caused many to fib about their age while others lied in order to get in the service to have something to eat and a place to sleep.

Allen Stover, who joined the US Coast Guard when he was 14 years old, founded the Veterans of Underage Military Service nine years ago in Maryland. Its membership includes celebrities such as actors Tony Curtis and Gene Hackman and singer Freddie Fender according to the group. It was illegal for men under 17 and women under 20 to join the military, but more than 1600 men and women including more than 200 from Texas have come forward to admit they did so.

Saturday, October 28 saw the dedication of a memorial honoring those servicemen and servicewomen at the new Dallas/Fort Worth National Cemetery. The event was given very good coverage by the DALLAS MORNING NEWS and also carried by some of the Abilene stations.

Membership information about the Veterans of Underage Military Service has been received by your Callahan County Veterans Service Office. Please call or come by (Monday & Tuesday, 854-1520) if you would like to learn more about this unique organization.

The OLD VET says, "It's not hard to meet expenses. They're everywhere!"



THE LOCAL KIWANIS CLUB was very fortunate to have Mary Graves, secretary of the Cross Plains Area Housing Initiative, Inc. (CPHI), provide a very informative program pertaining to CPHI and its recent community work-day. Fifty volunteers completed small repairs/projects on twelve homes. Mrs. Graves (left) was the guest of Kiwanian Donald Clark (right). Kiwanis meet every Tuesday at noon at Jean's Feedbarn.

Jewelry Allergies Are Most Often Caused By Nickel

When your wedding ring makes your finger itch, don't think it's an omen. Check out the nickel content of your jewelry.

"Nickel dermatitis is fairly common," said Dr. Rajani Katta, assistant professor of dermatology at Baylor College of Medicine. "Nickel is very common in jewelry. Even 14 karat gold contains nickel."

Katta said a skin allergy from nickel will appear directly under the jewelry, causing a patchy red, itchy rash. The allergy can develop at any time in life.

"Often, patients don't think the rash

could be related to their jewelry because they've worn that piece of jewelry for a long time. Many times the allergy is under a wedding band, and most of them contain nickel," she said.

Though some people are so sensitive to nickel that even lightly touching it causes a reaction, most people develop the rash only in certain circumstances, Katta said.

"If you wash your hands frequently, soap and water left under the jewelry break down your skin barrier and can cause the nickel to penetrate your skin," she said. "Or, sweat can leach the nickel out."

Once a rash develops, it slowly disappears after the offending jewelry is removed. A topical steroid cream can reduce the symptoms.

Katta said if you're not overly sensitive to nickel, the best advice is to keep skin dry and free of soap and water residue.

If the rash appears routinely under a wedding ring, several clear coats of nail polish inside the ring can be an easy solution, she said. Another possibility is to have the inside of the band platinum-plated.

Unfortunately, for those allergic to nickel, jewelry is not the only culprit.

"One patient came in who sews a lot. We determined it was the nickel in the handle of her scissors that was causing the problem," Katta said.

Cross Plains 4-H Club Meeting Set for Nov. 7th

The Cross Plains 4-H Club is having its second meeting on Tuesday, November 7th at 7:00 p.m. at the First United Methodist Church in Cross Plains. We will be discussing one of the most popular projects in 4-H which is our Shooting Sports project.

Callahan County Shooting Sports leader, Mr. David Nichols will be on hand to discuss opportunities available through the 4-H Shooting Sports program.

The Shooting Sports project is one of our largest projects, not only in Callahan County, but in the state. Callahan County 4-H has one of the

best Shooting Sports programs in the state of Texas with an excellent facility located between Baird and Clyde.

I encourage anyone who might be interested in learning more about this project to make plans to attend our meeting on November 7th. We will also be making plans to start our "Field and Stream" series of club meetings dedicated to wildlife and the great outdoors. Parents are encouraged to attend. If you have any questions, call the Extension Office at (915) 854-1518.

Submitted by Robert Pritz
County Extension Agent

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COUNTY ROADS *by Ginny Greene*

Is it carrots yet?

With one careful finger, Punkin feathered the dirt away from the radish poking out of its soil bed. "Can I pick it now, Grammy?" she asked.

Again, today, I answered, "Sure, Sweetie, but just one."

The mysteries of soil and seed and sun and rain filled her with excitement. The tiny seeds sown only 25 days ago had become red, ripe, ready-to-eat radishes.

In the magical first beginnings of our farm adventure, pint-sized Punkin helped me with everything. She was my little shadow, following me through the daily chores, filled with the sense of adventure a new lifestyle carries.

So much was new to her, and some things were just too wonderful for words. Even as the task became routine, finding an egg could still bring a smile as fresh as the egg itself. Every day, the story of hen and nest and egg unfolded as a new miracle.

She led the tour each day, reminding me almost hourly. "Grammy, isn't it time to go check for eggs? Grammy, shouldn't we feed the calves now? Can we take these peelings to the rabbits? Should we check the carrots yet?" We'd head outdoors, always with one or more dogs stumbling between our feet.

Our first garden saw six-year-old Punkin every single day. The garden was bigger than the entire lot we left in the city, but it looked really small at the edge of a 20 acre field.

Punkin helped me dig and fertilize and smooth the earth. She helped form raised beds and rake a furrow from one end of a row to the other.

I poured a few seeds into her hand and watched while she deposited each one where my finger pointed.

Then it rained and shined, rained and shined. All that happens in secret beneath the ground began to swell in evidence above the brown earth. Greens poked through the dirt. All day long, they fed well on the soil, drank of the abundant rains, and reached up to hug the sun.

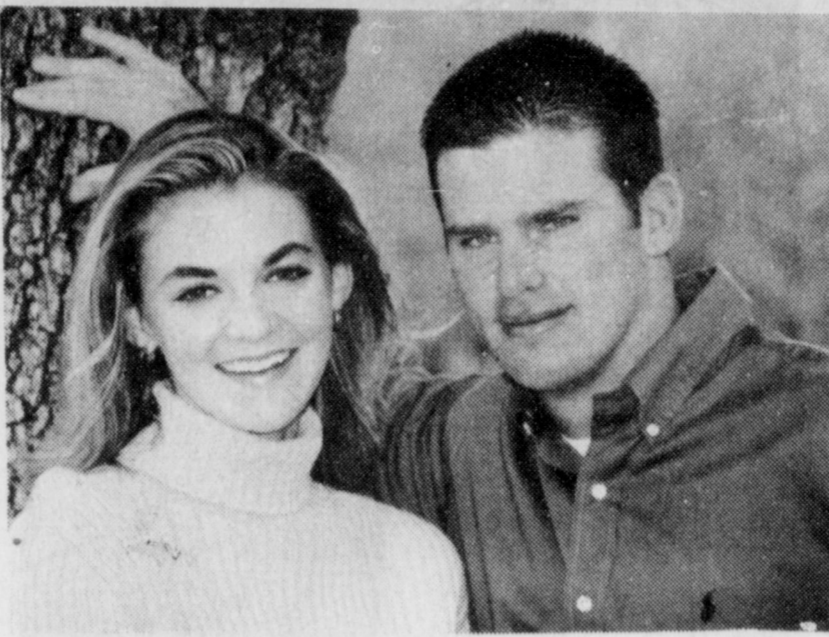
Punkin was enthralled with the processes and the daily discoveries. She brushed away the soil around a radish sprout and called me over to see the red globe growing up in hiding.

From then on, nearly every day we had to check the growth of the radishes and carrots and potatoes, and even the above-ground peas and corn in the garden. She'd pick away at the dirt cocoon around two or three plants to see if they were any bigger than yesterday, then press all the dirt back into place so it could finish its work. She'd say, "Sorry to bother you, little carrot. Go back to growing".

When the carrots were about half-way ripe, the biggest ones looked large enough to pick as they lay buried in the dirt, tops slightly exposed.

So I'd say, "Yes, just one," and she'd tug on the leaves. Once pulled free of the earth's blanket, she would realize it was only a fingerling that had a little more growing to do, and would stuff it back down in its bed, covering it securely to the neck.

Or eat it. It's amazing that any carrots actually grew to maturity in that first garden on another County Road. © Ginny Greene 2000



AMANDA DILLARD AND CHRISTOPHER HAGLER

Dillard-Hagler Engagement Announced

Mr. & Mrs. Donnie N. Dillard, Sr. of Cross Plains announce the upcoming marriage of their daughter, Amanda Gail, to Mr. Christopher Andrew Hagler of Breckenridge.

Amanda is a 1999 graduate of Cross Plains High School and is currently attending Tarleton State University majoring in Pre-Pharmacy.

Chris is a graduate of Breckenridge High School and Tarleton State University. Chris is presently a Science teacher and

Football Coach with the Stephenville Independent School District.

The wedding will take place Saturday, November 18, 2000 at 6:00 p.m. in the evening at the First United Methodist Church in Cross Plains. Reception and dance will follow immediately at the Cross Plains Community Center.

All friends and family of the couple are invited to share in this very special time.



MR. AND MRS. JAMES BEATY

Bomar-Beaty Wed October 28, 2000

Dakota and Cheyenne would like to announce that their mother, Samantha Bomar was united in marriage with James Beaty on Saturday, October 28, 2000.

Samantha is the daughter of Lauretta Bomar and the late Robert Bomar of Cross Plains. She is a graduate of Cross Plains High School and is employed by P.A.G.E.

Farms in Burkett.

James is the son of Bobby and Cheryl Beaty of Cross Plains. He is a graduate of Cross Plains High School and is employed with Bledsoe Ford in Coleman.

The couple plan to reside in Cross Plains.

Congratulations Mama and Daddy!

Cross Plains residents included in Unclaimed Property List

AUSTIN—Texas Comptroller Carole Keeton Rylander's annual Unclaimed Property List appears in Texas newspapers Sunday, October 22, bringing thousands of hard-working families and business owners some good news: the state wants to give them money.

"This year's Unclaimed Property List contains a record 130,163 new names of unclaimed property owners who have more than \$68 million coming to them," Comptroller Rylander said. "Everyone whose name appears on the list has at least \$100 coming to them, or maybe some stock or the contents of a forgotten safe deposit box."

"These are names of only the unclaimed property owners who have been reported to the state within the last year," Comptroller Rylander said. "Altogether, the state is holding more than \$786 million that rightfully belongs to Texas families and business owners, and I want to give it back."

Those from Cross Plains Unclaimed Property List include: James K. Beauchamp, Rocky Callaway, Emily Gray Foster, Frederic A. Gilbert, Jim B. Hataway, S.K. Spurlock, and William Wataterws.

Comptroller Rylander urged all Texans to look for their names on the list in the Sunday, October 22, newspaper and also check the more extensive unclaimed property data base on her Web site at

www.window.state.tx.us/up/, to see whether the state is holding any unclaimed property for them.

Unclaimed property can be anything from an uncollected paycheck, to a forgotten utility deposit or a long-dormant bank account. The law requires businesses and financial institutions to turn unclaimed assets over to the state after three to five years, if the owners cannot be found.

Some examples of the unclaimed property being held by the state include: uncashed checks — \$133,049,282; dormant bank accounts — \$96,328,760; insurance — \$105,902,491; utility refunds — \$12,012,587; royalties — \$43,867,474; unclaimed wages — \$26,578,025; other assets — \$364,398,610.

"While the state holds this money, it is used to help pay for state services, such as public education. But it belongs to its rightful owners forever, and I would much rather see it go into the owners' pockets, than into a state vault," Comptroller Rylander said. "During FY 2000, I returned more than \$49 million in unclaimed property to its rightful owners."

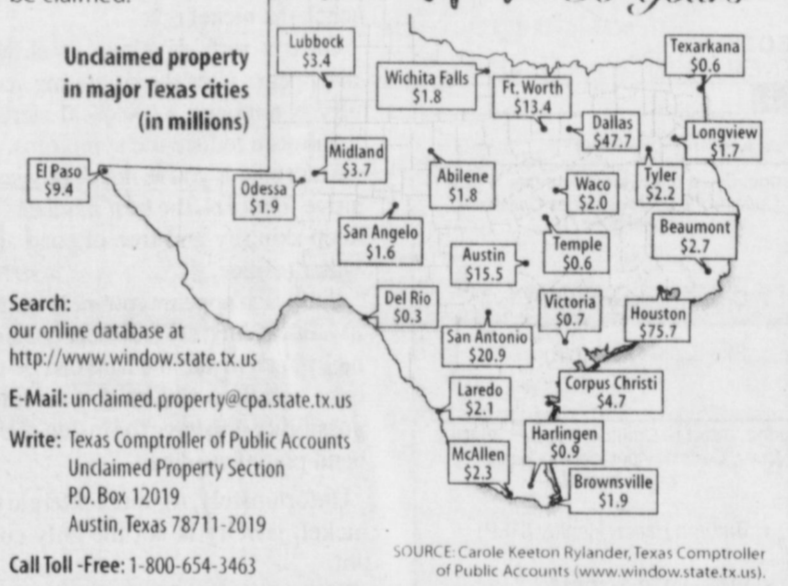
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