



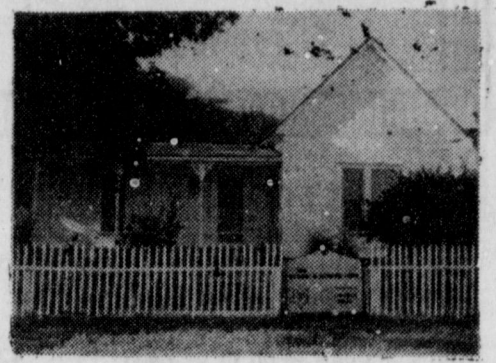
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"I Can't Believe I Did It Again!"

By VANDA ANDERSON-CREECH
Editor

After the last experience at deer hunting I didn't think I would be going again, but I tried it once more. Surely this time it would be more fun?????

Richard insisted that I accompany him, as I am always talking about quality time together. Sometimes this gets me into TROUBLE.

He had purchased doe scent that you apply to the bottom of your boot and walk a trail to your deer blind. Then you apply it to lower limbs in the area. He tried to talk me into letting him put some of that stinky stuff on me, but I didn't go for that. He teased saying, "You will probably be walking backwards to the pickup watching for a buck."

This time I went prepared. I wore a hooded sweat shirt to keep my ears warm and took beach towels to sit on. You guessed it -- the 5-gallon can was my designated seat.

We had fun whispering for about the first hour, and at this point he would let me move more freely. You girls know, there is definitely a double standard for behavior in the deer blind. I couldn't do much of anything, however, Richard could cough and even smoke cigarettes. He said the deer couldn't smell the smoke??? This just doesn't seem fair!

I found out that the first hour we were just getting in place before the deer started moving. No wonder he let me talk. However, he stated that I was worse than most kids about talking too much and wiggling.

Then we got to the serious business at hand requiring sitting perfectly still and moving slowly. At this point watching the little spider on the wall was the highlight of the minute.

We sat there for approximately 2 hours and didn't see anything but a few birds that we first mistook for a white tail of a deer. I was so stiff I could hardly stand up. Boy, old age is no fun.

Then to top it all off, we had to walk at least a 100 yards to the pickup when it was almost dark. Richard had heard the big cat scream just the other day when we were checking cattle, so we know he is back.

I had more fun the evening we got into the pickup and parked a little way from the guard light and waited for the three deer that graze in the yard at night. We watched them with the help of a spotlight and they were beautiful. Watching seems better than hunting, as I never want Richard to shoot one. So far he hasn't killed one, but my son-in-law, Chris Orum, brought down a nice doe.

You'll never guess where they put the meat overnight -- on the roof of the house. Well, it did keep it cool and other animals couldn't reach it.

The basic instinct to hunt is ingrained into men, but some of us girls didn't inherit the gene.

Need a Christmas Gift? Subscribe to the Cross Plains Review. See details on Page 10.



Top 10 Lottery Retailers In Callahan County

Store	City	1995-96	1996-97	1997-98	1998-99	1999-2000
Howle's Kountry Store	Clyde	Not in Top 6	\$320,740	\$444,317	\$307,374	\$377,164
Thrifty's Food Mart	Clyde	\$421,177	\$451,382	\$521,341	\$335,031	\$361,899
Skinny's	Cross Plains	\$277,749	\$288,004	\$261,165	\$190,286	\$217,719
Lakeway Store	Cross Plains	\$286,473	\$399,277	\$431,043	\$172,808	\$211,612
Skinny's	Clyde	N/A	N/A	\$238,833	\$157,716	\$177,940
Wes-T-Go	Baird	Not in Top 6	Not in Top 6	\$250,351	\$145,364	\$155,479
Allsup's	Baird	N/A	N/A	\$223,200	\$138,693	\$127,090
Allsup's	Clyde	N/A	N/A	\$166,633	\$122,252	\$115,485
Tally's	Clyde	N/A	N/A	N/A	\$14,000	\$107,048
Lawrence Brothers	Clyde	N/A	N/A	\$156,441	\$97,730	\$96,713

Two Local Businesses in Top 10 Lotto Retailers

Texas Lottery sales increased over \$260,000 in fiscal year 2000, Texas Lottery officials reported last Tuesday, December 5.

Texas Lottery sales in Callahan County, which includes both scratch-off and Lottery number tickets, totalled \$1,948,149 during the fiscal year which ended August 31, 2000.

Lottery sales in Callahan County in 1999 were \$1,681,254.

Despite an increase in Lottery tickets sales in 2000, Callahan County Lottery sales are still far off the \$2,693,324 in sales generated during the fiscal year 1997-1998.

The community of Clyde still generates more Lottery sales than any other community in Callahan County. Clyde had six of the top 10 Lottery sales retailers in the County with Lottery sales of \$1,236,249 in 2000. Clyde generates 63 percent of all Callahan County Lottery sales.

Howle's Kountry Store, located at 105 South First Street West in Clyde, overtook Thrifty's Food Mart in Clyde as the top Lottery retailer in the County with

\$377,164.50 in Lottery sales generated in 2000.

Thrifty's Food Mart, located at I-20 & Cherry Lane in Clyde, dropped from the number one Lottery sales retailer to number two with total Lottery sales of \$361,899 in fiscal year 2000. Before this year, Thrifty's had been the County's top Lottery retailer for four consecutive years, since the Texas Lottery started in 1995.

The Lottery retailers in Callahan County from number three through number ten remained unchanged between fiscal year 1999 and fiscal year 2000.

The City of Cross Plains maintained the number three and four Lottery retailers in 2000, with Skinny's Convenience Store, located at Ave. F & 4th Street in Cross Plains, generating fiscal year 2000 revenues of \$217,719. Lakeway Store, located at 114 S. Main Street in Cross Plains, maintained the number four retailer spot in Callahan County with fiscal year 2000 sales of \$211,612.

Skinny's Convenience Store, lo-

cated at I-20 and Cherry Lane in Clyde, was again the County's number five Lottery retailer in 2000 with total sales of \$177,940 generated in fiscal year 2000.

Wes-T-Go and Allsup's Convenience Store, both located in Baird, maintained the number six and seven retailers in Callahan County in fiscal year 2000. Wes-T-Go, at 1033 Cherry in Baird, had 2000 Lottery sales of \$155,479. Allsup's, located at I-20 & the Coleman Highway in Baird, generated \$127,090 in Lottery sales in 2000.

Three Clyde businesses rounded out the top 10 Lottery retailers in fiscal year 2000. Allsup's, located at I-20 & Cherry Lane in Clyde, generated Lottery sales of \$115,485. Tally's, located at 1060 FM 603 near Eula, generated \$107,048 in Lottery sales and Lawrence Brothers, located in Callahan Plaza at I-20 & Cherry Lane in Clyde, was the number 10 retailer in the County with Lottery sales of \$96,713 in fiscal year 2000.

Cottonwood Volunteer Fire Control Needs Your Support

By Ron McCowan

In a small community an uncontrollable fire can cause severe property damage and/or death might result when the equipment needed to fight the blaze is inadequate. Not only are the firefighters in danger, but when someone is trapped inside the flames they are subject to smoke inhalation or their life seriously altered through hospitalization and weeks or months of rehabilitation from severe burns. You might think that this could never happen to you or your family, but what if it does?

Are the firefighters in your area prepared for your disaster? Will they have the necessary tools to save your life or your loved one? What about your property? Will they be capable of containing the fire until other units arrive to assist? For your sake and others, let us hope that they can.

The benefit that was held for the C.V.F.C. on Friday, December 8, did not gain the funding required. Cottonwood Volunteer Fire Control

needed \$2,500.00 to assist in the purchase of a better equipped fire unit for your area, but only \$1,600.00 was contributed. That leaves them \$900.00 short of their goal to acquire the much needed fire truck, but contributions required do not stop there. Other monetary gifts are necessary for emergency usage. Another \$2,000.00 for equipment replacement from damage or failure will determine the firefighters ability in unforeseen circumstances. Your continued support is vital to your safety, as well as others involved.

Fire boots and fire gloves are also needed.

Contributions will always be accepted at this address: C.V.F.C., 13045 C.R. 429, Cross Plains, Texas 76443 or call Fire Chief Walter Thomason at (254) 725-6603.

To all those individuals who contributed on Friday and those who have given in the past and continue to contribute to your safety
Thank You!

First United Methodist Christmas Cantata

The First United Methodist Church of Cross Plains would like to cordially invite you to join us for an evening of joyful worship through music and drama.

Choir and cast will present their annual Christmas Cantata this Sunday, December 17, at 6:00 p.m. This year's program, "The Winter Rose", was written and arranged by Joseph M. Martin and will be performed under the direction of Ms. Angela Swift.

Choir member include: Margaret McCough, Amanda Sowell, Connie Swift, Melody McWilliams, Marian Reed, Rhonda Swift, Kathy Wood, Toni Mae Wyatt, Jennifer Young, Matthew Sowell, John Swift, Tim

Dill and Dr. Richard Chaffin.

The cast will bring the story of Christmas to life with their unique and very moving drama. Cast members in this year's performance are: Donna, Shelby and Delaney Ames; Bryan and Emma Bennett; Tim, Beth and Andy Byerly; Wes Castleman; Brock and Dusty Cooper; Dean and Vicki Dillard; and Jo Dalton Wyatt.

The church will provide van services for anyone who needs a ride. For more information all the church offices at 725-7377 or contact Angela Swift at 725-6443.

Refreshments will be served in the Fellowship Hall following the program.
Please Come!!!

Chamber of Commerce to Honor Mr. Ike Neal

The Cross Plains Chamber of Commerce will honor Mr. Ike Neal with a reception December 17th, 2:00 p.m. until 4:00 p.m. at the Cross Plains Community Center. Mr. Neal is retiring after many years of service to this community and the surrounding area. Ike came to the Cross Plains community in 1954 and spent 46 years providing the people of this area with pharmaceutical services and his expertise in the realm of medicine. Ike has been a registered pharmacist for 40 years. He attended University of Texas in Austin, University of Tennessee Tech, and Alvin C. York Agriculture Institute in Tennessee. A veteran of World War II, he served

as Army Pharmacist and directed hospital services for Holland and Germany. Ike is a member of the Navigators, promoters of the Bible gospels in the college crowd. He is also a member of the FCA, a Christian athletic organization. Ike is a past master of the Masonic Lodge, a past patron of the Eastern Star, a member of the First Baptist Church of Cross Plains. He and his first wife, Penny, were parents of three children; Terry Jan Bradford, Sherry Rhiney, James Richard Neal, and grandparents to eight grandchildren. Ike married Sue Taylor in 1996 and after he retires they plan to travel and enjoy their families.

Callahan County Commissioners Met in Regular Meeting December 11

Callahan County Commissioners, holding a regular bimonthly meeting Monday, December 11 voted to approve a resolution supporting a Regional Groundwater Conservation District in a seven county region which includes Callahan County.

County Judge Roger Corn said six of the seven counties have approved the resolution in support of the Regional Groundwater Conservation District which encompasses the Trinity Aquifer. The resolution approved and signed by all four county commissioners and the county judge follows:

A RESOLUTION OF THE COMMISSIONER'S COURT OF THE COUNTY OF CALLAHAN, TEXAS, IN SUPPORT OF A REGIONAL GROUNDWATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

WHEREAS, the Commissioner's Court of the County of Callahan desires to plan for the current and future water needs of the county and

WHEREAS, the Commissioner's Court of the County of Callahan desires to provide for the management of the groundwater resources of the Trinity Aquifer, and

WHEREAS, the Commissioner's Court of the County of Callahan

fully supports the Brazos G Regional Water Planning Group to provide for a comprehensive, statewide water policy that meets both rural and urban needs in the future, and

WHEREAS, groundwater is a vital necessity in the preservation of the quality of life for the urban and rural citizens of the region, and

WHEREAS, the availability, affordability, and quality of water are vital to the local and regional economies and are major factors in continued economic development, preservation of the tax base, and security of economic interests for the future, and

WHEREAS, agricultural businesses such as dairy, peanut, pecan, forage, melons, and other horticulture are dependent on ample supplies of irrigation and livestock water from the Trinity Aquifer, and

WHEREAS, Callahan County is in a semiarid region of Texas that experiences limited supplies of surface water and groundwater, and

WHEREAS, the region of Texas experiences periodic droughts, nonuniform distribution of rainfall, and high evaporation rates, and

WHEREAS, insufficient river flows and existing Water rights on those rivers limit the development of new water reserves in the region, and

WHEREAS, the local tax base is limited and presents significant challenges to funding solutions to current and future water supply options, and

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COURTHOUSE NEWS

COUNTY COURT Roger Corn, presiding

Misdemeanor Filings

Gypsie Fomby, theft of property by check.
James Alfred Morris, hunting with a light.
James Alfred Morris, taking wild-life without consent of landowner.
Lars Hemwall, deadly conduct.
Perry D. Noe, theft of property by check.
Amy S. Noe, theft of property by check.
Kyle Aaron Quick, theft of property by check.
Mark W. Rener, theft of property by check.
Morris W. Chavez, theft of property by check.

Misdemeanor Minutes

Manuel Cruz, plea of guilty to driving while intoxicated (DWI), 10 days in jail, \$100 fine, \$242.25 court costs.
Daniel Purlee, plea of no contest to false report to a police officer, 6 month probation, \$400 fine, \$242.25 court costs.
Gypsie Fomby, plea of guilty to theft of property by check, 1 year probation, \$100 fine, \$262.25 court costs, \$357.98 restitution.
Tammy Sires, plea of guilty to theft of property by check, 6 month probation, \$50 fine, \$287.25 court costs, \$74.22 restitution.
Debbie Ingram, plea of guilty to theft of property by check, 6 month probation, \$50 fine, \$287.25 court costs, \$148.71 restitution.
Ruby Lane, plea of guilty to theft of property by check, 2 year probation, \$100 fine, \$262.25 court costs, \$3871.53 restitution.
David Tuggle, motion to dismiss to theft of property by check granted, convicted on felony case.
Duane Clark, order extending probation granted.

Marriage Licenses

Scott Leon Graham and Carolyn Marie Graham, both of Baird.

42nd DISTRICT COURT John Weeks, presiding

Criminal Info. & Complaints

Joseph O. Tuminski, burglary of a building.

Criminal Indictments

Lisa Dela Rosa (Keith), burglary of a habitation.
Gary Rister, burglary of a habitation.
Toby J. Lindley, possession of controlled substance.
Janet S. Street, possession of marijuana.
John E. Street, possession of marijuana.
Joe Westley Havner, DWI.
Zair Granado, possession of marijuana.
Isaac Granado, possession of marijuana.

Criminal Minutes

Carl William McDowell, judgment revoking probation granted.
Regan B. Gamble, plea of guilty to possession of a controlled substance.

EDITOR'S NOTE—Anthony E. Isbell of Abilene is not the Anthony L. Isbell in the courthouse records in August.

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OBITUARIES

James Ernest Clark

Granbury — James Ernest Clark, 73, a manager for Waste Management in Dallas for 10 years, died Friday, December 8, 2000, in Burleson. A memorial service was held at 4:00 p.m. Sunday, December 10, at Wiley Funeral Home.

James Clark was born March 27, 1927, in Cottonwood. He was a World War II Navy veteran and owner and operator of Southwest Parts.

Survivors include his wife, Lucille Clark of Granbury; daughters and son-in-law, Pamela and Mike Hogan of Cedar Hill and Monica Clark of Fulton; son and daughter-in-law, Richard and Grace Clark of Lancaster; grandchildren, Todd and Jessica Hogan and Ty Hogan; great-granddaughters, Blakely and Brooke Hogan.

Honorary pallbearers were Hollis Hogan, John McConnell, Don Pendley, Pete DeLeon, Lucien Fabor, Bill Maloney, Leroy Morman and Gwen Fulgham.

Memorials may be made to the Community Hospice of Texas at Huguley Hospital, 11901 S. Freeway, Burleson, Texas 76028.

Byna Jeannette Cox

Byna Jeannette Cox, 35, of Hereford, AZ, passed away on November 25, 2000 as a result of an automobile accident. Jeannette enjoyed computers, outdoors, horses and the ocean. Her late grandfather was the Rev. James Hoyle DeBusk, an area Baptist Minister. Jeannette was employed at the ACE Hardware in Bisbee.

Survivors include: sons, Josh and Brandon Shelton of Hereford, AZ; parents, Lewis Sam and Sandy DeBusk of New Mexico; and Lorraine and Jesse Livingston of MeNeal, AZ; brother, Robert and Christi DeBusk of Clyde, TX; brother, Christopher Livingston of Tucson, AZ.

Memorial services are scheduled for 11:00 a.m. Thursday, November 30, 2000 at the Bisbee Funeral Home, 806 Hwy 92. Rev. Bill Pursley of Lordsburg, New Mexico will officiate. The family is accepting donations and contributions for expenses.

Ruby Nell Purvis

Mrs. Ruby Nell Purvis, age 75, of Abilene, died Sunday, December 10, 2000, at Hendrick Medical Center in Abilene.

Funeral services were held at 2:30 p.m. Tuesday, December 12, at the Higginbotham Chapel with Dwaine Clower officiating. Burial was in Cross Plains Cemetery with Higginbotham Funeral Home of Cross Plains in charge.

Survivors include two daughters, Linda Strength and Dianna Stover, both of Cross Plains; her companion, R.W. Purvis of Abilene; one brother, James Benjamin Riffe, Jr. of Luling; a sister, Helen Ruth Faucett of Abilene; six grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents, one brother and two sisters. Pallbearers were Regin Stover, Brandon Stover, Toye Yeary, Timmy Yeary, Ronald Hilburn and Kyle Foster.

Dixie Otto

Dixie R. Otto was born April 5, 1929, in Cottonwood. She passed away Sunday, May 29, 2000, in Midland, following a lengthy illness.

Dixie owned and operated Driscoll's Gifts for 38 years. Driscoll's was considered a Midland institution and for four decades was considered THE place to shop for weddings, births, graduations and every celebration of life. Her annual Waterford signing was a fall tradition eagerly anticipated by Midlanders.

Dixie was a happy, outgoing person, displaying great wit and charm. Her passion was the support and preservation of the small, locally-owned business. She was a supporter of the Midland Community Theatre and the American Cancer Society.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Driscoll A. Otto, Jr., and is survived by her stepchildren, Jessie Otto Hide of Austin and Driscoll A. Otto, III of Dallas; and her cherished cocker spaniels, Blake and Lucy.

A memorial service was held at the Episcopal Church of the Holy Trinity on Friday, June 2, at 10 a.m. with the Rev. Marshall Mason officiating. Following a graveside service, Dixie was interred in her family plot in Baird.

Memorials may be made to the Look Good, Feel Good Shop at Allison Cancer Center or to Hospice of Midland, Inc.

Alexander Day Burvell

COLEMAN — Alexander Day Burvell, 92, died Friday, December 8, 2000, in Granbury. Graveside services were held at 2 p.m. Sunday in Mt. View Cemetery with Bro. Audie Cathey officiating, directed

by Walker Funeral Home.

Mr. Burvell was born in Cross Plains to Samuel Joseph Day and Sue Beeler. He married Viola Mow in Coleman. He also attended McMurry College. Mr. Burvell was a farmer.

Survivors include a sister, Era (Pete) of Rising Star; a brother Rufus (Rass) Day of Coleman; two nieces; and a nephew.

Callahan County DPS Report

Calls received by the Callahan County Department of Public Safety from December 3, 2000 through December 9, 2000 include:

Cases Investigated
Warnings-86
Complaints-57
Vehicle Accidents
There were two vehicle accidents investigated during this time span.
People Arrest On Outstanding Warrants
There were 14 outstanding warrants issued for a total of \$4,088.00 collected.



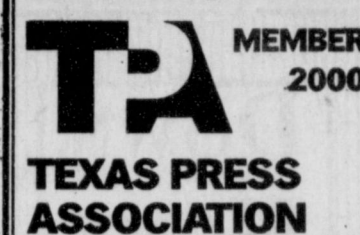
Princes persecute me without a cause, But my heart stands in awe of Your word.
— Psalm 119:161
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— St. Matthew 24:35
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Colonial Oaks Services

There will be a Christmas Open House at Colonial Oaks Nursing Home on Sunday, December 17, commencing at 3:30 p.m.

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bring you as much happiness as
you have brought me.

Love,
Rex

COLONIAL OAKS NURSING HOME NEWS

BY LINDA MERRITT

We will be having our Open House Christmas Party Sunday, December 17, at 2:00 p.m. Cottonwood Baptist Church will be doing the program for us this year. The Garden Club will provide the refreshments and Santa Claus will make his appearance. We would like to welcome all family and friends to attend this special day with our residents.

Employees Christmas party will be the 21st at 6:30 p.m.

Appreciation to Wimberly Woerner and her 4th grade class for the large Snoopy Christmas posters; to Charlie Grider for the turnips; to Ruby Cassle for the chips and dip; and to Bob Harrell for the cookies and fudge.

Thoughts and prayers for Victor Long and Ralph Lee who are in the hospital.

Violet Edwards from Cisco visited with Delilah Goble.

Ethel Champion visited with Jessie Casey.

Mandy, Lydia Nixon and Julie Doucette of May visited with Carl McKenzie. Also Nena Alvarado from May.



December 4-8

The Bookworm is resting this week. The books get heavy and he (?) needs to stretch his legs. I'm subbing for him.

Be sure to read the library article this week. Lots of good projects are going to be completed in 2001. Of course, the good folks of our town have helped to make these projects possible. Mary Ann Chaffin is tops when it comes to asking for grants.

James Nichols has been invaluable in the planning for the north lot. Cherry Shults and others on the library board have worked hours and hours helping to get the project as far along as it is today. Your gifts -- birthday remembrances, memorials, monthly donations -- all these and many other good things that patrons do -- help to make possible the development that is taking place. Stay with us. We promise a party!

Statistics

Circulation:

Books
Cross Plains 46
Abilene 3
LAP 55
Interlibrary Loan 2
TOTAL 106

Memorials:

Esther McDaniel for Bill Kilgore
Joyce and Floyd Smaley for Bill Kilgore

Betty Kinnard for Leonard Potter
In Honor Of:

Judy Luter for Anita Luter, Brian and Hilary Luter, Lauren and Chris Bryant, Ed and Krista Luter

Hollis and Cherry Shults for Klint Guerry

Alton and Donie McCowen visited with Raymond McCowen.

Sandy Clevinger of Lago Vista and Michell Tollett of Burkett visited with Myrtle Owen.

Dr. Avi and Sharene Deshmukh of Stephenville visited Louise Richardson.

Peggy Golson of Burkett and Daisy Holcomb visited with several residents.

Activities

Monday: Bingo winners were Falba Shofner, Vera Belyeu, Jessie Casey, Maxine Crisp, Minnie Swann (2) and Ruby Harrell. Singing with Dorothy Reynolds

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

Wednesday: Sing-a-long with Bob Wallace. Exercise class.

Thursday: Manicures. Ball toss.

Friday: Bingo winners were Jessie Casey, Delilah Goble (2), Falba Shofner, Raymond McCowen and Vera Belyeu. Popcorn. Skip-Bo games.

Sunday: Open House

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December 18-December 22

MONDAY--Pork Chops w/Gravy, Aug Potatoes, Broccoli, Pickled Beets, Mixed Fruit, Bread, Milk

TUESDAY--Chicken & Dumplings, Tossed Salad, Green Beans, Birthday Cake, Bread, Milk

WEDNESDAY--Soft Taco, Salad, Mexican Corn, Refried Beans, Pineapple, Milk

THURSDAY--Lasagna, Tossed Salad, Carrots, Bread Pudding, Garlic Bread, Milk

FRIDAY--Oven Baked Fish, Creamy Cole Slaw, Baked Beans, Pineapple Upside Down Cake, Roll, Milk

CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

This was a regular meeting of the Cross Plains City Council. All members were present. Minutes of the previous meeting were approved as read.

Jerry Cassle pointed out that at the last meeting Dannes Turner was appointed by the mayor to the EDC infrastructure committee and that she had declined, therefore the mayor appointed Keith Lawrence to the committee in her stead.

Don Gosnell met with the council to give his monthly police report. He reported eighty-three calls for service, one sexual assault, three criminal mischiefs, one family disturbance, three accidents, with two assists with THP accidents, two attempted fraud, sixty warning citations, and eighty-one citations. By general consent the council accepted the report as presented.

Bob Hill, Municipal Judge, gave the monthly judge's report. He reported eighty-one citations for the month of November with forty-four still outstanding. He also reported eight remain outstanding for October, and four remain outstanding for September. He reported ten reminder letters being sent. By general consent the council accepted the report as presented.

Frankie Hyles met with the council to give them information gathered on a motor grader. He informed the council that the old grader could be fixed for approximately \$150. By general consent the council agreed to have the old grader repaired. He showed the council brochures collected on new graders of various types and discussion was held at length concerning the type and size needed for Cross Plains. Jerry Cassle moved to begin taking bids on a new or used motor grader. James Nichols seconded and motion carried.

By general consent the council agreed to contact the auditor recommended by Jim Cotter and ask them to come to the next council meeting to give a presentation on their company and at what cost they would be able to perform the audit for the city.

Information on the cost of the swimming pool was gathered and presented to the council. Debbie informed the council that she had spoken with Ken Martin, City Engineer, concerning the initial cost of a pool. He informed her that they had done a cost study for Monahans concerning the construction of a new pool and the cost were as follows: Cost per linear foot around the perimeter of the pool was \$1,100 to

\$1,400 and a pool 36' x 80' would cost approximately \$310,000. Also discussed was the possibility of obtaining a Texas Parks and Wildlife grant. Mr. Martin informed Debbie that to be able to be eligible for a TPW grant, a project must include several activities and that a pool by itself would not be funded. Other information gathered was the annual operating cost. Debbie talked to the City of Coleman, Baird, and Eastland. Each city indicated that they did not operate in the black but the loss for the pool was approximately \$5,000-\$10,000 annually. By general consent the council agreed that at this time the city is not able to fund a pool without some type of grant and until other grant options become available the city would not be interested in funding the project alone.

Discussion was held at length concerning the National Flood Insurance Program. Debbie informed the council that she received correspondence from the Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission concerning House Bill 1018 which state that by January 1, 2001 cities must adopt ordinances or orders, as appropriate, necessary for the city to be eligible to participate in the National Flood Insurance Program as required by Section 16.3145, Water Code. The correspondence states that a resolution and an ordinance election to participate in the flood insurance program. Joe Ingram seconded and motion carried.

Dean Dillard moved to appoint Mark Norris as the Floodplain Administrator. Edwin Weiss seconded and motion carried.

By general consent the council agreed that any employees wishing to sell up to 50 hours of compensatory time to the city might do so.

James Nichols moved to pay bills. Jerry Cassle seconded and motion carried.

Edwin Weiss moved to go into executive session at 7:50 p.m. Dean Dillard seconded and motion carried.

Discussion was held at length with each employee during the quarterly employee evaluations.

Jerry Cassle moved to return to open meeting at 8:30 p.m. Joe Ingram seconded and motion carried.

Edwin Weiss moved to adjourn. Jerry Cassle seconded and motion carried.

Mayor Ray Purvis
Debbie Gosnell, Secretary

Christmas Presentation in Albany Thursday

of the highlights of the Christmas season in the Texas Midwest is the semi-annual presentation of the nativity on Albany. First performed in 1939, and written by fandangle creator and playwright, the late Robert Nail, this year will mark the 30th presentation of the epic production. The hour-long show involves over 200 Albany people presenting the tender inspirational story of man's search for his redeemer. The stage setting are carefully detailed.

The drama will be presented at the

beautifully refurbished Aztec Theater in downtown Albany on Thursday, December 14 and Saturday 16. Show times are at 6:30 p.m. and 8 p.m. each night. In the true spirit of Christmas, there is **NO ADMISSION CHARGE** for the productions. However, seats are limited, and need to be reserved ahead of time. Tickets are now available at the Aztec box office, 915-762-3818, or at the Albany Chamber of Commerce, 915-762-2525.

Please join us for this dramatic experience.

PROCLAMATION of IKE NEAL DAY OFFICE OF THE MAYOR CITY OF CROSS PLAINS, TEXAS

WHEREAS, the Mayor of the City of Cross Plains, hereby proclaims December 17, 2000 as the Ike Neal Day; and,

WHEREAS, a reception in his honor will be held at the Cross Plains Community Center at 2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. at 108 N. Beech and

WHEREAS, Mr. Neal has provided pharmaceutical services and expertise in the realm of medicine to the Cross Plains community for forty-six years and has been a registered pharmacist for forty years,

NOW, THEREFORE, I, the Mayor of the City of Cross Plains, Texas, do hereby proclaim December 17, 2000 as the Ike Neal Day in the City of Cross Plains, and do hereby urge all citizens of this community to recognize and support Mr. Neal on this important occasion.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have affixed my signature and seal on this the 17th day of December, 2000.

Witness
Debbie Gosnell, Secretary

Ray Purvis, Mayor

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QUIPS, CLIPS & COMMENTS

By KAY MOSLEY

"Hats Off!"

Up until even as late as the 1950's, you very seldom saw a bare-headed lady. Well, maybe you could see her at home bare-headed. However, that was about as far as it went.

As a small child in the late 1930's and 40's, most ladies wore bonnets and smocks when working in their vegetable gardens and also when caring for the plants in their flower gardens. I know my mother did. She had red hair and freckled very easily. Also during the same time period, ladies wore dress hats to church regularly, plus anytime they traveled in a public conveyance such as by train, or by bus, a hat was customary. Young ladies applying for clerical or office jobs were usually dressed in a suit or appropriately modest dress, with a hat, gloves, pumps and a handbag.

Straw hats were also fairly popular in the 40's for ladies. Also young girls when they ventured outdoors in the heat and sunshine of summer, often wore straw hats for shade.

After the beginning of the 1960's ladies head wear seemed to suffer a steep decline. It was out of favor also during the 70's, 80's and the larger part of the 90's. It was "Hats Off!"

You have probably noted as I have that as we come into the 21st century, ladies hats are beginning to

make a comeback, especially for the well dressed Ms. or Mrs.

Ladies hats are being worn now to teas, luncheons, to the theatre, and they are appropriate for most any dressy occasion. The flapper hats came back in the late 50's and early 60's. They looked like you had a flower pot turned upside down over your head. I remember, because I had a white one.

Picture hats were very stylish, also during the same time span. They really looked great on my sister, Ann, with her large brown eyes and round face. On me though, the picture hats were quite a disappointment. I was very thin at the time with a long face and small green eyes. The picture hats made me look more like Pa Kettle at the farm than anything else.

Jacqueline Kennedy, more-or-less, was responsible for the re-entry of the pillbox hat into the fashion world of the late 50's and early 60's. Though the picture hats do nothing for me, there are a few styles which aren't too bad on me, they include the flapper hat (upside down flower pot look), a fedora, a pillbox, or a Tam O'Shanter.

Though for some time the style was "Hats Off!" For those now in-the-know, remember "La Petite Chapeau". That's French for remember "the little hat!" That's now the fashion you know.

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By Bob Pipes
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In a little cemetery stands a white stone marking the grave of a dear little girl--and on the stone is chiseled the words: "A child of whom her playmates said, 'It was easier to be good when she was around.'"

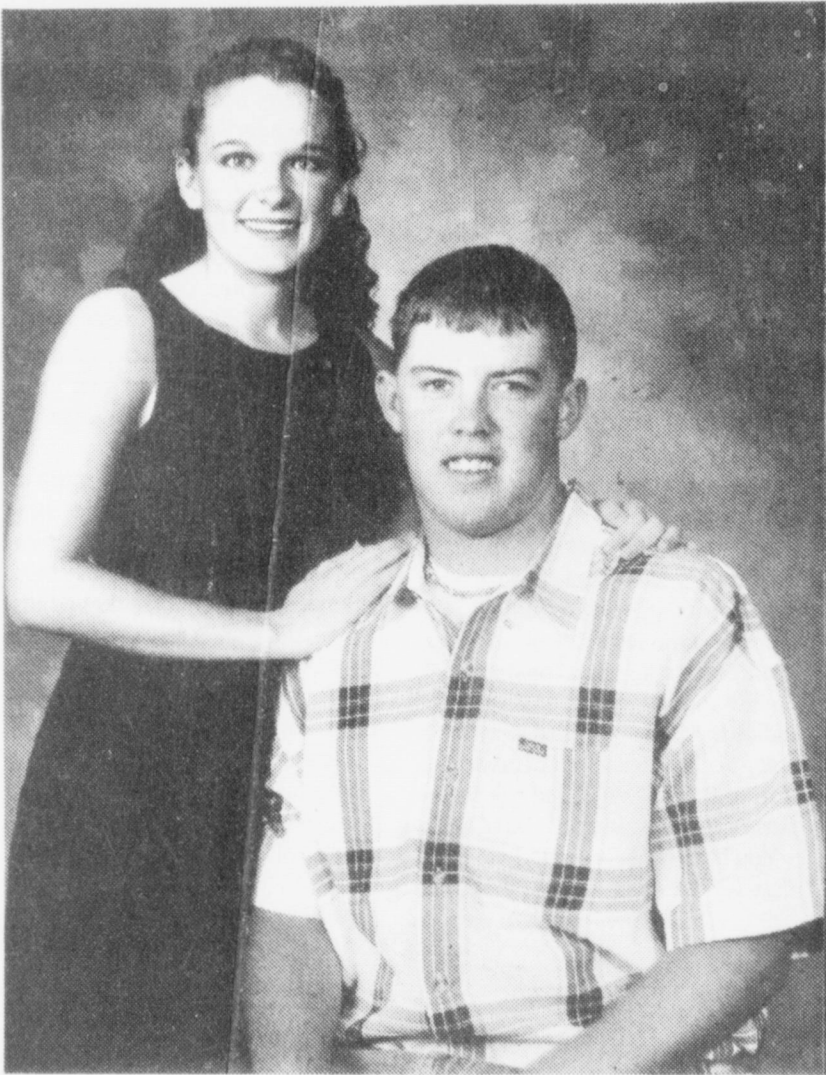
How much better a world this would be today, and tomorrow, if each of us would so live our lives that this could be said of us by all with whom we come in contact! Let's face it--some of us are weaker than others, need cheering up more than others, require the optimistic and positive leveling influence of others more--because of being more negative and pessimistic by nature ourselves. There are some of us who are able to provide these needed attitudes, characteristics, qualities, influence and help. Each of us has the power of influence; we need to use it wisely so others might walk aright in the light we leave behind.

The Mighty Galilean, in a sermon delivered from a mountain nearly two thousand years ago, put it this way: "You are the salt of the earth...you are the light of the world...if the salt has lost its flavoring power, what good is it?" And concerning the light--"Men do not light a lamp and then hide it...Even so, let your light (influence for good) shine before men..."(Matthew 5:13-16).

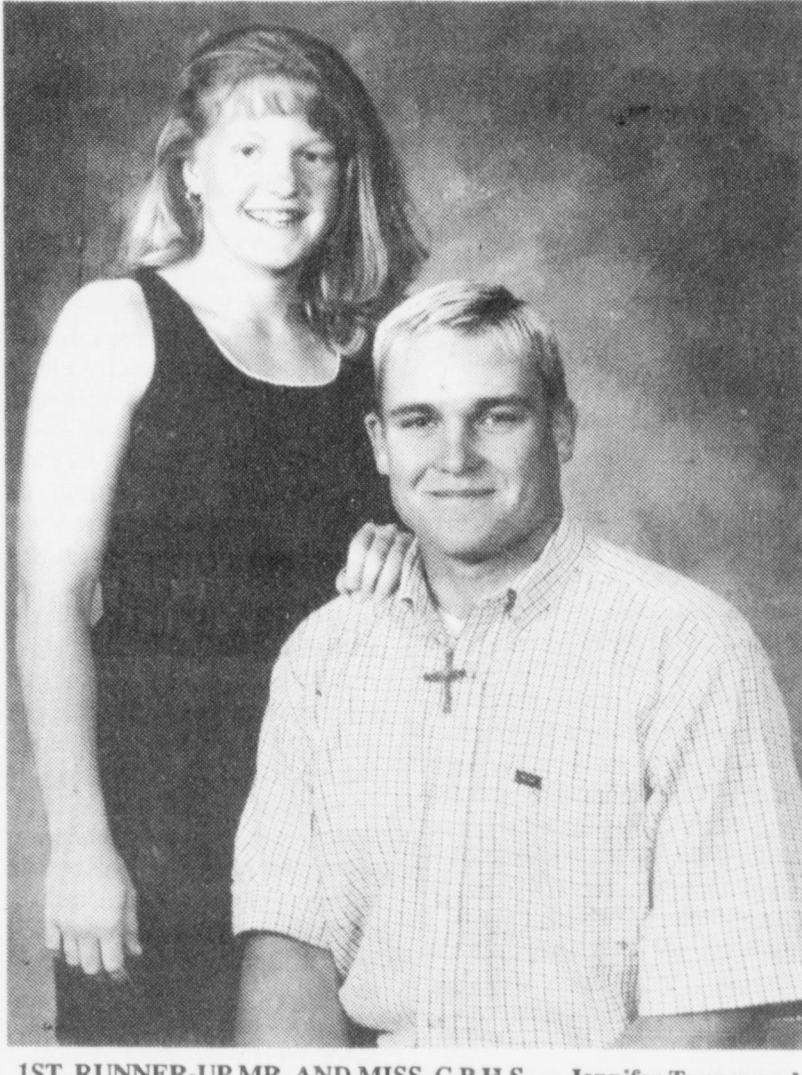
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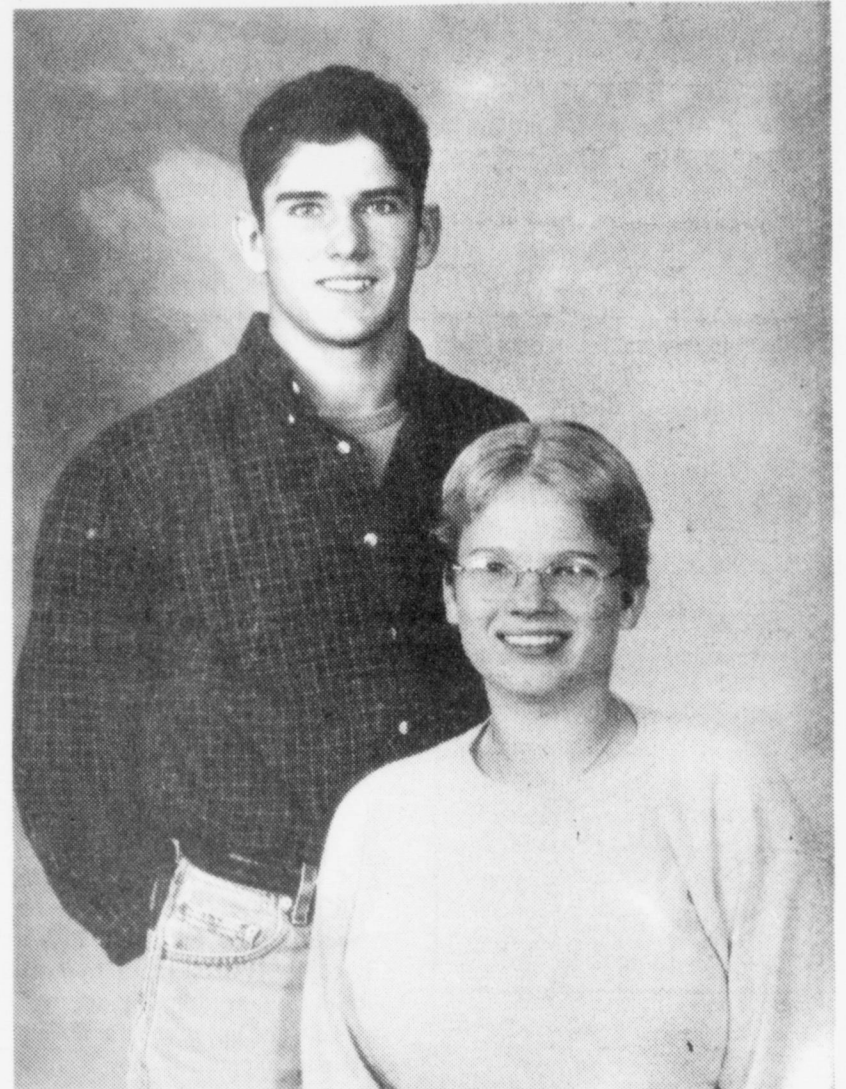
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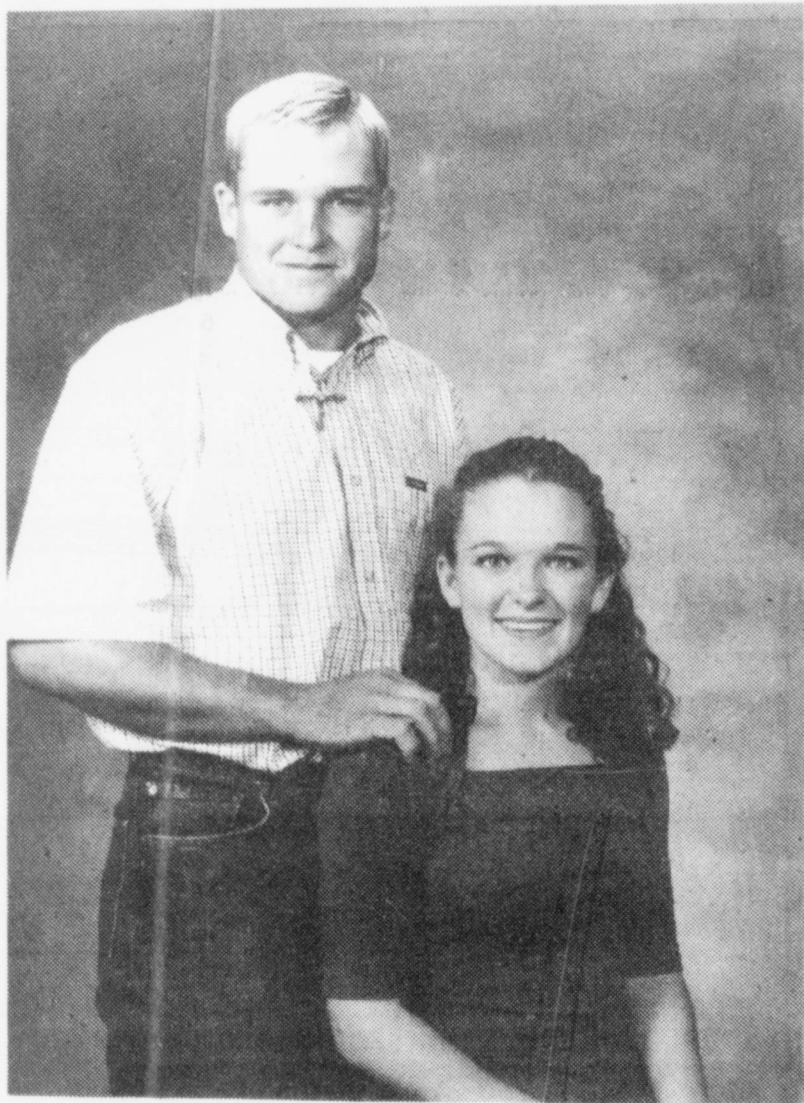
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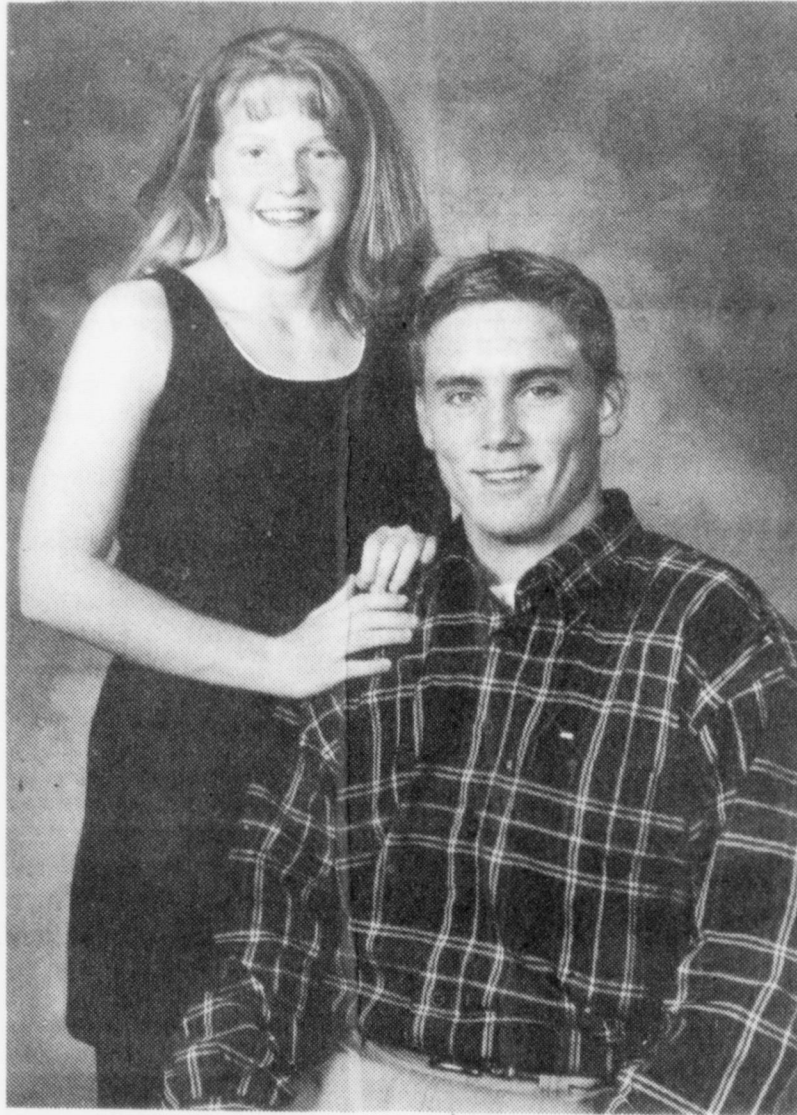
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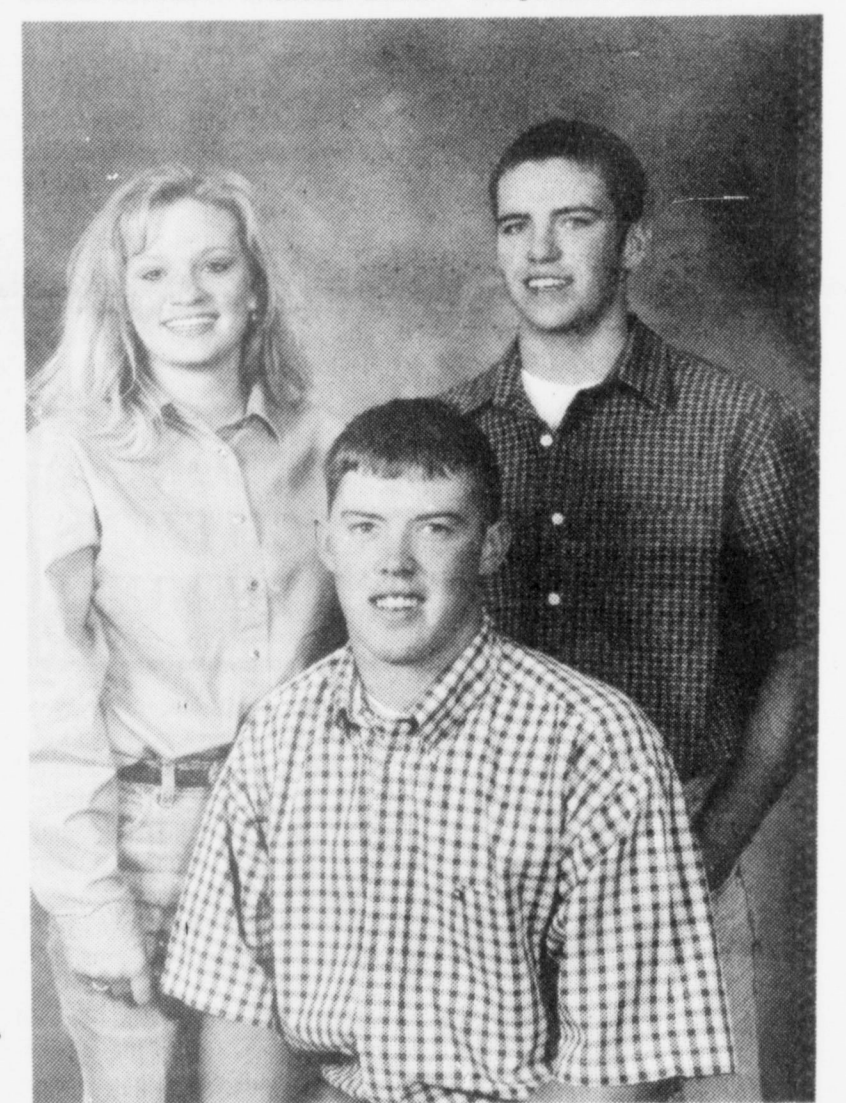
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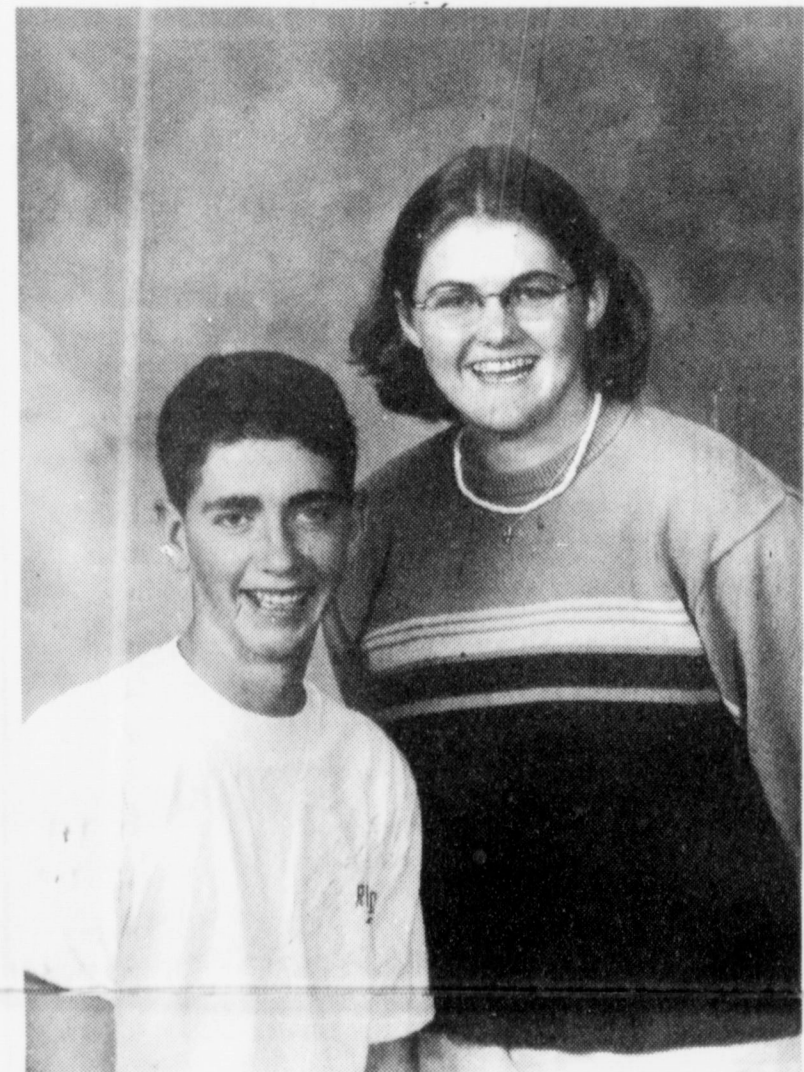
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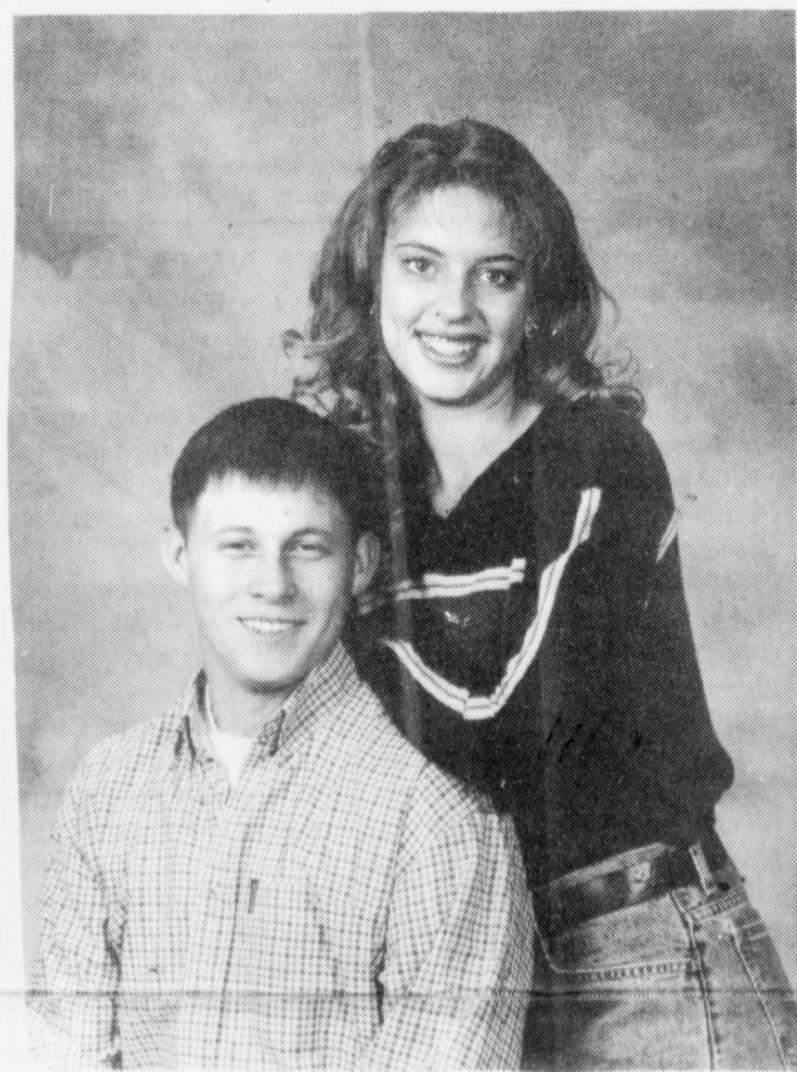
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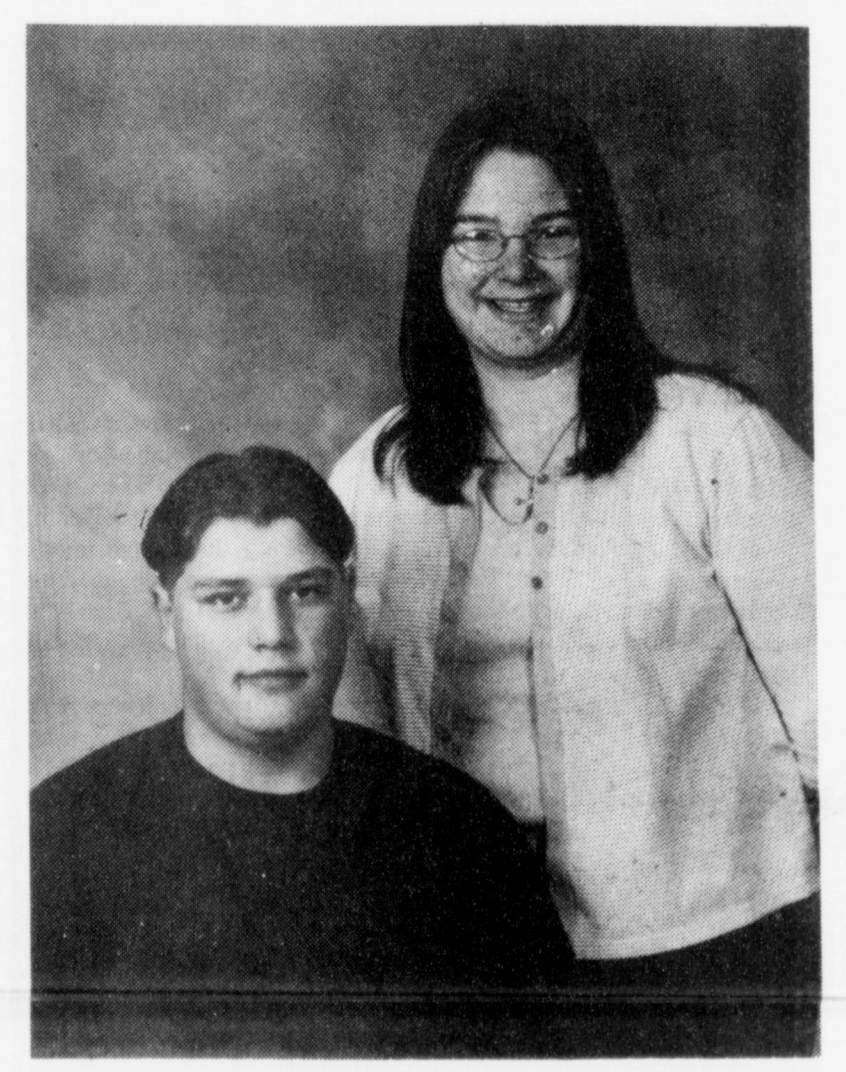
2ND RUNNER-UP MOST BEAUTIFUL AND MOST HANDSOME — Nikki Callaway and Tim Butler; Cody Reed (front)



BIGGEST CLOWN — John Peters and Sarah Nixon



BIGGEST FLIRT — Jake Farrow and Candice Bailey



BIGGEST COMPLAINER — Ricky Allen and Toni Mae Wyatt

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C.P. Lady Varsity Buffalo Basketball

By Coach Cavender

On Tuesday we defeated Zephyr by the score of 44 to 42. It was a very close game as they always are with Zephyr.

Scoring the points were Candice 13, Amber 7, Dani 6, Tessa 4, Jennifer 4, and Judith 2. Zephyr had a 2 point lead after the 1st quarter, and a 1 point lead after the 2nd quarter. The score was tied 30-30 after the 3rd quarter and we outscored them 14 to 12 in the 4th to win by 2.

On Thursday we started our very own C.P. Caddo Peak Tournament. In the first round we beat Blanket 58 to 40. In second round action, we played an excellent game to defeat Sidney 64 to 33. On Saturday, in the championship game we lost a hard fought contest with Priddy 62-52. Scoring the points in a 3 game total

were Candice 56, Jennifer 43, Tessa 27, Amber 17, Dani 5, Amanda 10, Shena 9, Judith 4, and Sarah 3.

We had a real good tournament and the kids played really hard. Our shooting and rebounding have improved through the course of the last two weeks. The kids are doing a super job of fast-breaking the ball down the floor for easy baskets. Our defense has become more consistent as well as defensive position according to the ball.

Final Tournament standings were Girls Champion; Priddy, Girls runner-up; C. P., Third-place girls; Sidney, and Girls Consolation winner; Evant.

Boys Champion; C.P., Boys Consolation winner was Stamford.

We would like to thank everyone who helped make the tournament a big success again this year.

C.P. Varsity Boys Played First Game

By Coach Chandler

After a very successful football season, the basketball season is upon us. Tuesday night, after only one day of practice, the boys varsity basketball team played its first game. The team played very hard and got good minutes from the nine players who entered the game. With the score tied at 33 going into the fourth quarter, the Buffaloes seemed to get really tired and Priddy capitalized on a few easy lay-ups. The final score was Priddy 45, C.P. 43.

Last weekend the buffaloes traveled to the Blanket tournament to face the Lingleville Cardinals. This game was to be the first Buffalo victory of the season. The Buffaloes won by the score of 47-36 and moved on to face May in the second round. This game was ugly right from the start. However, May soon began to get their act together and started to put some points on the board. The final score was May 51-C.P. 33. For the third place game, the Buffaloes played the Evant Elks. This was the most consistent game

we've played up to this point. C.P. won the game 45- 34. On Tuesday, the Buffaloes faced a young Zephyr team. Cross Plains held the lead for 3 and a half quarters before finally falling to the Bulldogs 57-50.

In the first game of the Caddo Peak Classic, the Buffaloes faced the Blanket Tigers. The Tigers kept the game interesting the first half by making 24 of their first 29 points from the 3 point line. In the end, the Buffs won 64-41. The second round game against the Sidney Eagles was never close. The Buffaloes extended their 12 point first quarter lead to 31 with a final victory of 69-38. The final game was against the Priddy Pirates. The Pirates jumped out to an early 20-10 lead before the Buffaloes got things rolling. The half-time score was 28 all. By the end of the third quarter the Buffaloes had mounted a 7 point lead. The Pirates would not go away however, and cut the lead in half. The Buffaloes won the game 63-60, beating Priddy for the first time in 4 tries. Congratulations on winning the tournament Buffaloes.

Junior Varsity Girls Win Over Zephyr 30-29

By Coach Cavender

On Tuesday, the girls hosted the Zephyr Lady Bulldogs and came away with a close 30-29 victory. We led most of the game with a comfortable lead and Zephyr got hot from the field in the 4th quarter to take a 1 point lead with 13 seconds to play. The girls worked the ball down the floor and found Bree on the free throw line to hit a driving lay-up with 2 seconds left to come from behind and win.

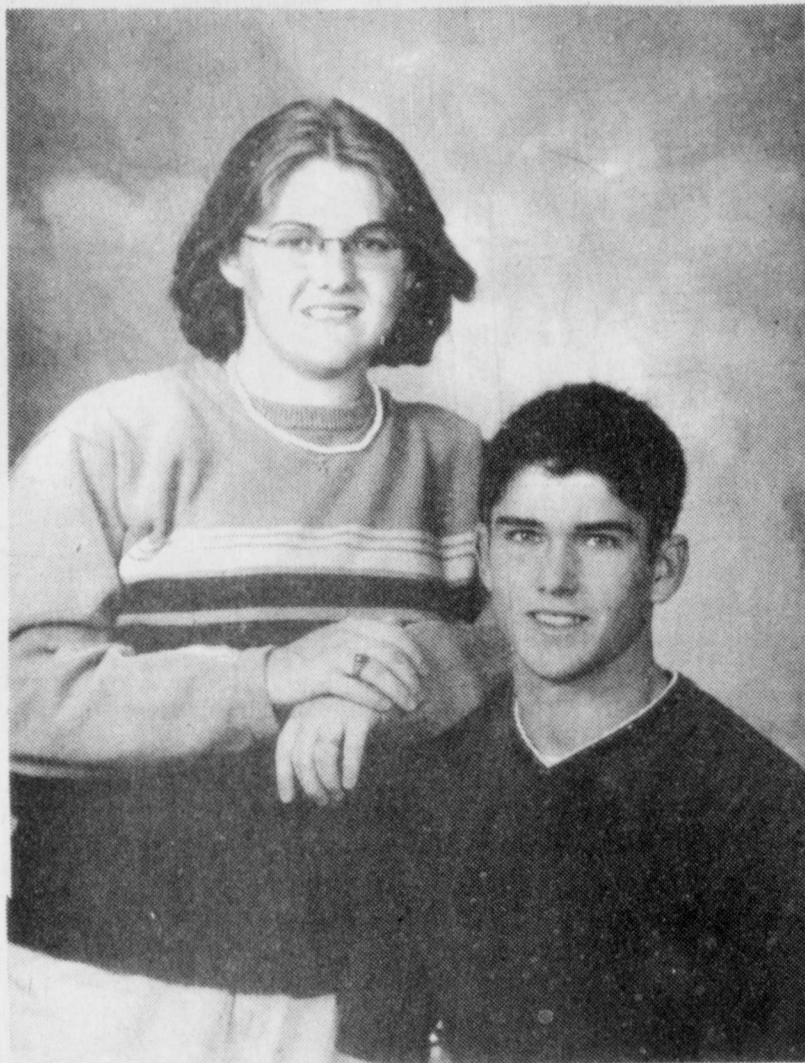
Scoring the points were Dillard 10, Rivard 8, Winfrey 6, Nixon 4, and Parker 2.

The girls as a team were 9 of 15 from the free-throw line which helped the winning effort in a big way.

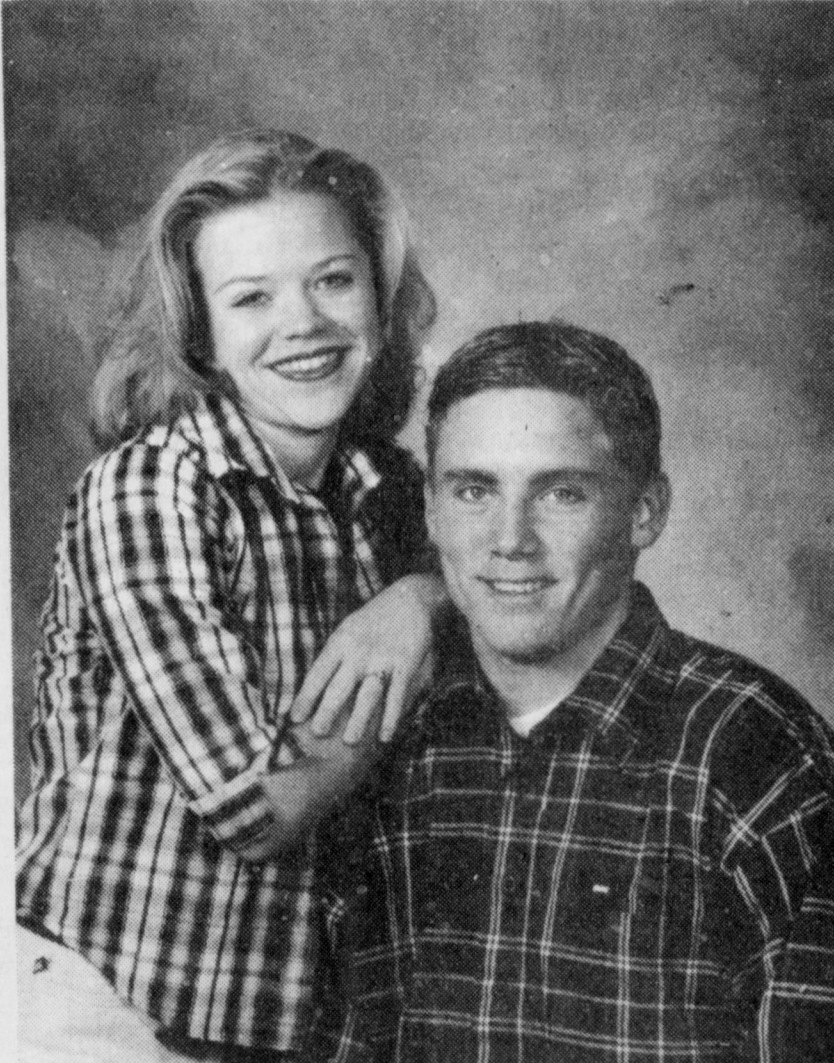
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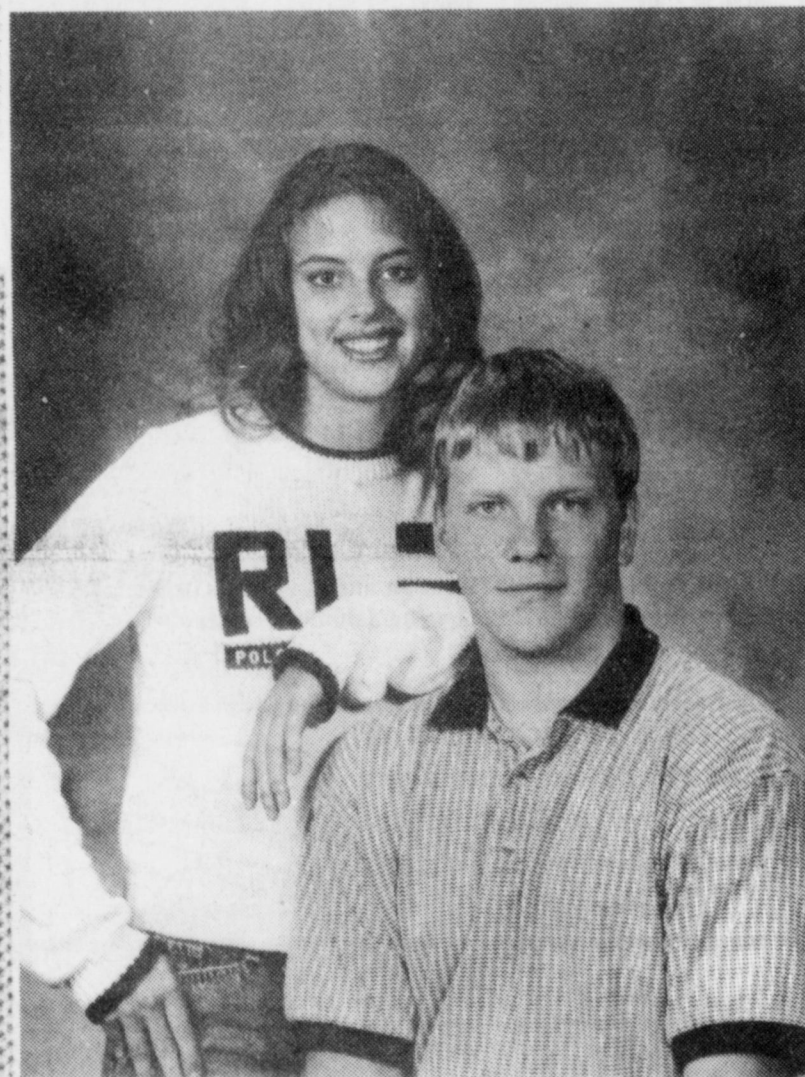
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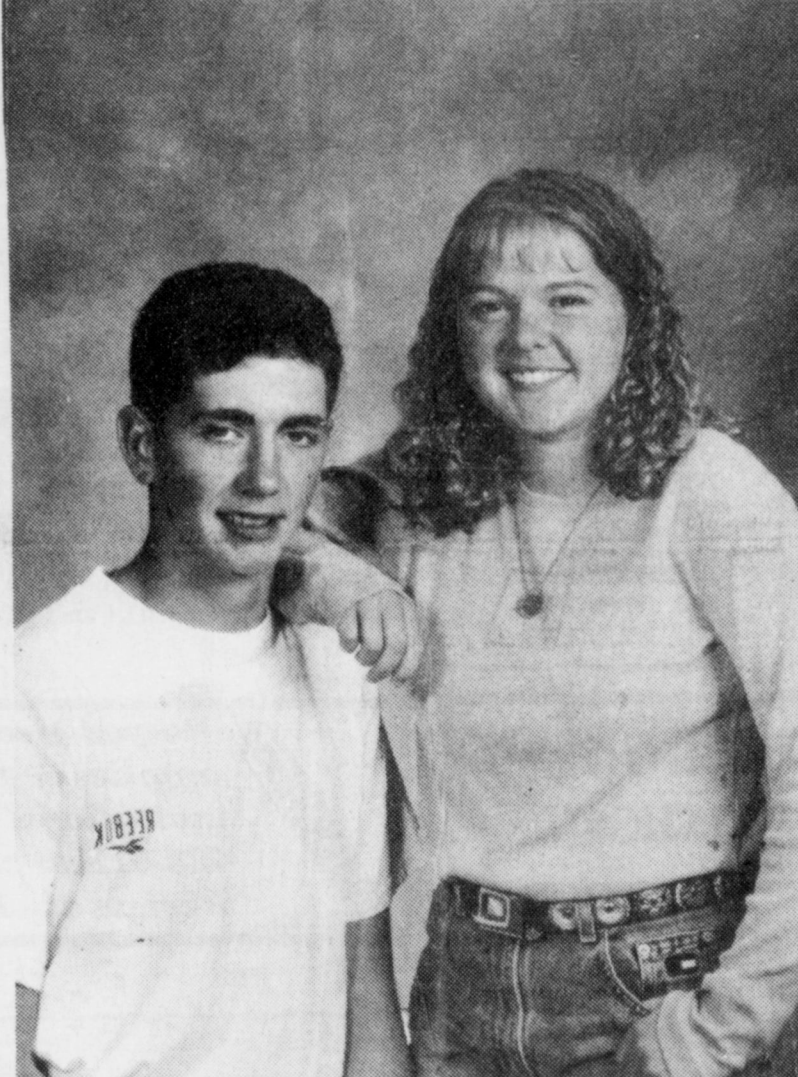
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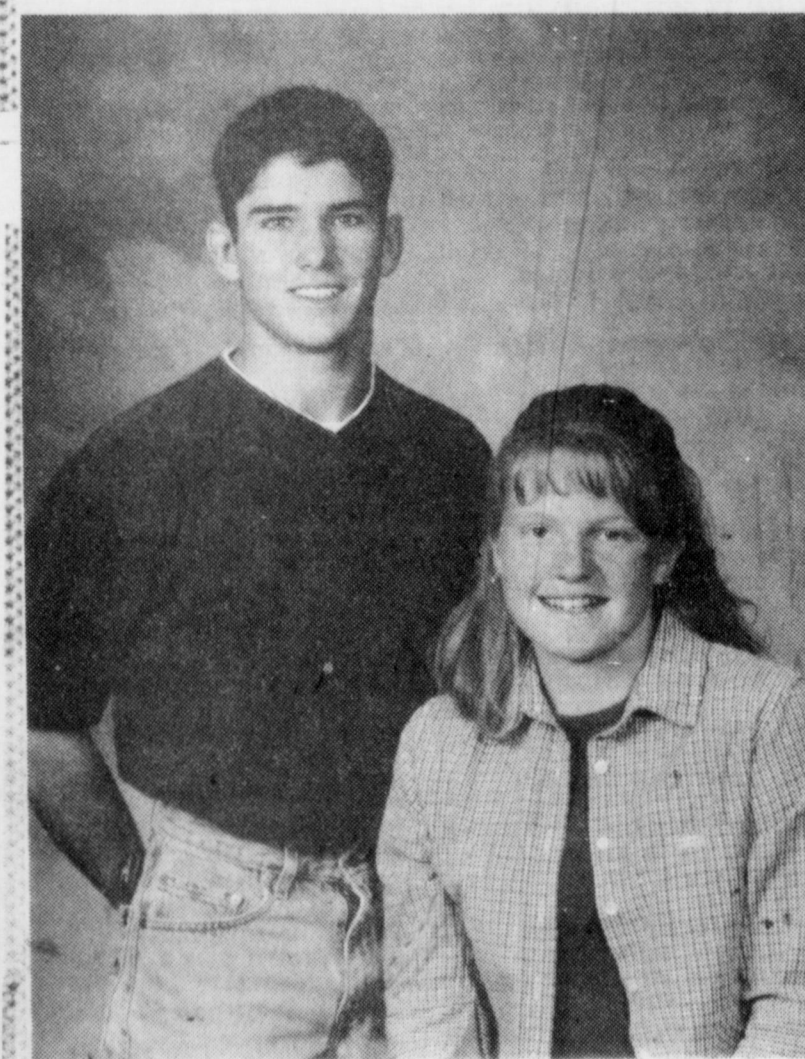
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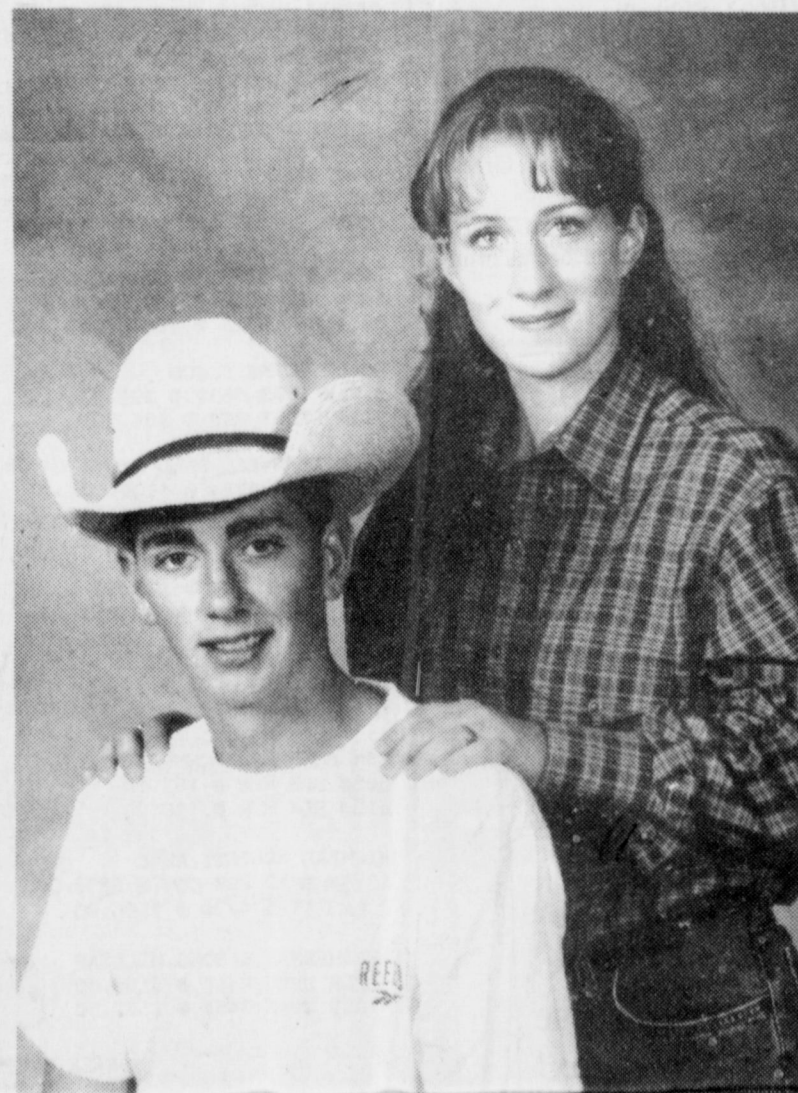
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Jr. High Girls Basketball Results

By Coach Dillard

Last Monday, December 4th our girls met up again with the Brownwood B Teams at Brownwood Middle School.

During the 1st game, Brownwood came after us with their girls playing a quick and fast defense. At the end of the 1st half Cross Plains was behind 2 points (8-10). Then Cross Plains came back during the 3rd quarter, and made 8 points keeping Brownwood down to only 1 point. The 4th quarter was where the girls had their battle with Brownwood. Right before the buzzer Cross Plains made 2 points. With this they took the victory. Cross Plains 22-Brownwood 20.

Team Scorers:

Norris 8, Vasquez 6, Hutchins 4, Bacon 2 & Hutton 2.

In the 2nd game Brownwood was trying to rattle the Cross Plains girls, but the CP girls played smart Basketball. At half the score was 12-5, with Cross Plains keeping the lead. Brownwood girls were working CP with a quick defense, but CP never let the lead get away from them. The final score Cross Plains 24-Brownwood 14.

Team Scorers:

Richards 15, Mack 4, Bennett 2, Clark 2, & Edington 1

This past Monday, December 11th, Gorman Panthers came over to play a game of "roundball." In the 1st game Gorman played a tight defense on Cross Plains but the girls were able to overcome this attack. At half time the score was Cross Plains 19-Gorman 3. The girls stole the ball and continued with fast breaks to make the final score Cross Plains 50-Gorman 3.

Team Scorers:

Vasquez 21, Norris 17, Duran 6, Bacon, Hutchins, Hutton 2 points each.

The 2nd game was a close battle until the 3rd quarter. Cross Plains had a chance to score 22 points in the 1st quarter but they only had one of those shots fall in the hoop. This continued in the 2nd quarter with putting the ball at the hoop but only three fell in. Half time score was Cross Plains 8-Gorman 7. Cross Plains was playing a great defensive game. The 3rd & 4th quarter we started making some of the shots, making the final score Cross Plains 27-Gorman 12.

Team Scorers:

Edington 9, Mack 6, Ross, Callaway, Bennett, Richards, Phillips, Clark had 2 points each.

The next game will be Monday December 18, 6:00pm at May.

SCHOOL BOARD MEETING

A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees will be held on 12/18/00, beginning at 8:00 p.m. in the High School Administrative Board Room. The subjects to be discussed or considered or upon which any formal action may be taken are as follows:

Open Meeting:

1. Prayer,
2. Open Forum,
3. Read and Accept Minutes
4. 2000 Audit Report
5. Property Insurance
6. Extracurricular Absence Policy
7. Blood Pathogen Control Plan
8. Asbestos Removal-Elementary School
9. Personnel Staffing
10. Executive Session (If Needed)
11. Action on Executive Session
12. Review Financial Report/Pay Bills
13. Adjourn

If during the course of the meeting, any discussion of any item on the agenda should be held in a closed meeting, the Board will convene in such closed meeting in accordance with the Open Meetings Act, Chapter 551, Government Code. Before any such meeting is convened, the presiding officer will publicly identify the section or sections of the Act authorizing the closed meeting. All final votes, actions, or decisions will be taken in open meeting.

Notice was posted by Jackie Tennison, Superintendent.

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VARSITY BUFFALOES — Joseph Dillard (from left), Nicholas Dimitri, Landon Hill, Brandon Mahler, Cody Reed, Tim Butler, Kevin Wilson, Brandon Gilliam and Aaron Norris.

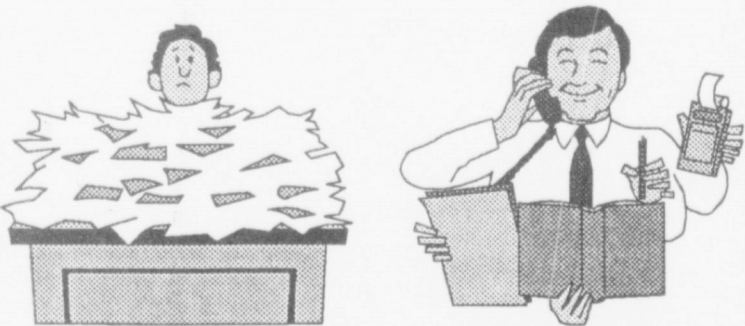


VARSITY LADY BUFFS — Tessa Wyatt (front, from left), Judith Hartman and Amanda Kitchens; Amber Wilson (back, from left), Candice Bailey, Shena Thomas, Dani Marion and Jennifer Turner.

CROSS PLAINS BASKETBALL SCHEDULE 2000-2001

DATE	OPPONENT	TIME	TEAMS
12/15	Miles	4:00	JVG, JVB, VG, VB
12/19	At Hico	4:00	JVG, JVB, VG, VB
12/21	At Winters	TBA	JVB, VB
12/28-30	Bangs Holiday Tourney	TBA	VG, VB
1/2	Goldthwaite	4:00	JVG, JVB, VG, VB
1/5	At Ranger	4:00	JVG, JVB, VG, VB
1/9	Gordon	4:00	JVG, FRB, VG, JVB
1/9	At Hawley	6:30	VB
1/12	Gorman	4:00	JVG, JVB, VG, VB
1/16	At May	4:00	JVG, JVB, VG, VB
1/19	Baird	4:00	JVG, JVB, VG, VB
1/20	Roby J.V. Tourney	TBA	JVG, JVB
1/23	Ranger	4:00	JVG, JVB, VG, VB
1/26	At Gordon	4:00	JVG, JVB, VG, VB
1/30	At Gorman	4:00	JVG, JVB, VG, VB
2/2	May	4:00	JVG, JVB, VG, VB
2/6	At Baird	4:00	JVG, JVB, VG, VB

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SCHOOL MENU

December 18- December 22

BREAKFAST

MONDAY--Oatmeal, Toast, Assorted Juice

TUESDAY--Waffle, Sausage, Assorted Juice

WEDNESDAY--Cereal, Toast, Assorted Juice

THURSDAY--Holiday

FRIDAY--Holiday

LUNCH

MONDAY--Chili Beans, Crackers, Cheese, Salad, Cobbler

TUESDAY--Steak Fingers, W/Gravy, Creamed Potatoes, Green Beans, Rolls, Peaches

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THURSDAY--Holiday

FRIDAY--Holiday

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The public meeting will be held at:
Location: Callahan County Commissioners Courtroom
Date: Monday, January 8, 2001
Time: 8:30 A.M.
All interested persons are encouraged to participate in the public meeting.

Roger Corn
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UNEMPLOYMENT		
	Sept.	Oct.
Callahan County Unemployment	3.6%	3.6%
Total Labor Force	6,017	5,998
Total Employed	5,801	5,783
Total Unemployed	216	215

County's jobless rate steady at 3.6 percent

The unemployment rate in Callahan County for the month of October 2000 remained steady at 3.6 percent for the third consecutive month, according to jobless figures released Monday, December 11 by the Texas Workforce Commission.

Of the 5,998 civilian labor force in Callahan County, 5,783 were employed during October 2000, and 215 were unemployed, giving the county an unemployment rate of 3.6%. The county's unemployment rate one year ago in October 1999 was 4.5%.

Callahan County's unemployment rate was 3.6% in September of this year and the unemployment rate was also 3.6% in August 2000. Of the 6,017 civilian labor force in the county during September, 5,801 had jobs while 216 or 3.6% were unemployed.

Previous monthly jobless rates in Callahan County included: 3.6% in August 2000, 3.8% in July, 4.5% in June, 3.8% in May, 3.7% in April, 4.1% in March, 4.4% in February, 4.4% in January, 3.9% in Decem-

ber 1999 and 4.3% in November, according to the unemployment figures.

Big Country area counties, bordering Callahan County, and their unemployment rates for October 2000 include: Brown, 3.4%; Coleman, 5.9%; Eastland, 3.7%; Jones, 2.8%; Runnels, 3.9%; Shackelford, 3.4%; Stephens, 3.5%; and Taylor County, 3.3%.

The unemployment rate in Texas for October 2000 was 3.9%, down four-tenths of one percent from the 4.3% rate in August. The state's unemployment rate one year ago in October 1999 was 4.3%.

Of the 10,454,900 civilian labor force in the state, total employment was 10,042,100 in October. The total number of unemployed in October 2000 was 412,800.

The United States unemployment rate was 3.6% in October 2000. The U.S. unemployment rate for the previous month of September 2000 was 3.8%. The United States unemployment rate one year ago in October 1999 was 3.8%.

Cross Plains Public Library Announced Future Plans

The Cross Plains Public Library met on Monday morning, December 11. As has been true in the last year, there is much planning for the future. Sometime early in the year trees will be planted on the north lot, and a logo will be painted on the north wall, leaving bricks exposed on the rest of the building. New masonry will be done at the same time.

Plans are also in the making for a ground-breaking when the lot and weather are ready for trees, probably in January. All of these plans are exciting but her this: Between now and January, everyone who checks out at least 1 book, may select 2 books

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Also the library bunch are excited because the Big Country Library has asked the Cross Plains Public Library to host the Regional Meeting for January 18. At that meeting members of the B.C.L. System break into smaller groups to make it easier and better to discuss matters that will be coming up at the Systems Meeting.

We hope you'll come by. We will appreciate your input about your library.

Submitted by Billie Loving

County history book, Burkett Pecan pen offered at special price

The Callahan County Historical Commission is once again offering a holiday package on two of its most sought after articles as a Christmas special. The official history book of Callahan County, "I Remember Callahan" edited by Hicks Turner and the Burkett Pecan pen are being offered by the commission through the end of December. The cost of book and pen together is \$70.00.

"I Remember Callahan" normally sells for \$55.00. It is a 475 page, large bound volume relating the history of the county and many of its families and contains many

photographs. The Burkett pecan pen uses the wood from the first Burkett pecan tree which was developed in Callahan County and destroyed by lightning a few years ago. The tree is listed in "Historic Trees of Texas". The Burkett Pecan Tree Pen normally retails for \$29.00. The book/pen package price is being reduced \$14.00. All proceeds support the county historical commission in its work.

You can purchase your holiday sets from County Attorney and Historical Commission Chairman Allen Wright at 915-854-1640 or at the county courthouse, or from Hubert Donaway at 915-662-3334.

Callahan County Heritage Museum

The Committee organization for the County Heritage Museum has taken place in a timely manner and it looks like an excellent start for the future museum in the old jail building.

The Committee chairman is Paula Windham. Her assistant in this function will be W.P. Hogue who will also be chairman of the Restoration function for the committee. His assistant will be Don Groce, who is already working with the two Eula Scout candidates who will be doing Merit Badge credit work on this community project.

The Treasurer Committee function will be handled through Jerry Barron in the First National Bank, and John McClaren, owner and manager of the Olde Shoppe on Market Street. An account is already in place for the museum project and donations of money can be made through either of those men.

Other members of the

Committee will be Jackie Pruet, Nancy Young, Horace Hatfield, Lyman Brigham, and Steve Kniffen who will be Historian for the Committee. Allen Wright as chairman of the Callahan County Historical Commission, will be an Advisory member for the project.

The Associate Committee members to assist in the project from adjoining towns will be Jeff Ashlock from Oplin, Daryl Green from Putnam, and a spokesman from Cross Plains will be sought in the near future.

Contact is being made with Professor Don Fraser of McMurry University who is active in the Buffalo Gap Museum management, and will likely be helpful in our organization effort.

Contact at the State Historical Site Management from Austin will soon be in place and ongoing and appropriate as needed.

Submitted by Lyman Brigham

Cold weather and Holiday bring fire concerns

State fire control leaders remind everyone that good fire safety indoors and out will be needed to prevent an increase in fires during the cooler fall and winter months and during the upcoming holiday season.

Cold weather and the upcoming Christmas holiday season signal an increasing likelihood of accidental fires, according to Bobby Young, associate director for forest resource protection with the Texas Forest Service in Lufkin.

Cold weather frequently prompts unsafe efforts to heat homes, said Young, who noted that improperly using kitchen ovens for home heating and unwise placement of space heaters contribute to home fires every year. The former volunteer fire department chief added that the Christmas holiday season typically brings an increase in home fires due to overloaded extension cords, dry natural Christmas trees placed near heat sources and carelessness with holiday candles.

Noting that "it only takes one unsafe act to turn a joyous holiday celebration into a season of sorrow and personal tragedy," Young offered several suggestions to safeguard homes and property from needless fire tragedies.

Avoid overloading extension cords and wall electric outlets. Avoid using multiple plugs to extend the capacity of wall outlets. Don't use kitchen stoves or ovens for home heating. Keep natural Christmas trees well watered and away from heat sources such as candles, space heaters and fireplaces. Consider electric lights in place of candles for holiday lighting. When using candles, locate them away from flammable materials and place in containers wide enough to contain candles should they accidentally tip over. Purchase and install smoke detectors, and

batteries in existing detectors. Unsafe burning of wrapping paper, gift boxes and natural Christmas trees could spark outdoor fires, according to Mary Kay Hicks, fire prevention coordinator with the Texas Forest Service in Waco. She advises strict attention to outdoor fire safety precautions and recommends that people with natural Christmas trees should consider recycling their trees, rather than burning them. Hicks indicated that used Christmas trees may be ground up for mulch or used to help stabilize sand dunes, build structure for fish in a lake or pond, or provide shelter for birds and other wildlife.

The fire prevention leader suggested that most wildfires can be prevented through outdoor fire safety.

Obey bans on outdoor burning. Keep all outdoor fires well away from dormant vegetation. Before burning leaves and brush, construct wide firebreaks around the material to be burned, and stay with every fire until it is completely out. Avoid burning on dry, windy days. Dispose of smoking materials properly by either puffing them in your ashtray or by smothering them with bare mineral soil. When using spark-producing equipment outdoors, remove vegetation from the work area or wet it down prior to and during equipment operation.

If you plan to use fireworks, use them in areas cleared of dead grass and other debris. Read and follow label instructions on how to properly discharge fireworks. Keep tools and water nearby just in case a fire starts. Finally, never allow children to use fireworks without adult supervision.

"Please observe these precautions and help insure a fire-free holiday for your family," Hicks implored.

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There are two kinds of ARMD. Wet and dry. Wet can be treated by laser surgery, because it is caused by leaking blood vessels that can be zapped, but dry has no medical/doctor solution.

I had read in a health magazine that spinach improved ARMD, so I sued my computer to find Dr. Stuart Richer's clinical tests of spinach. What I wanted to know was how much and how often did I have to eat it and how effective was it. He gave 14 patients with dry ARMD five ounces of sauteed spinach four to seven times a week. Improvement was noticed within three months.

I started eating canned spinach. Couldn't buy fresh locally. Another article said it was more effective with some fat, so I added a dollop of olive oil to each serving. I bought two 7 1/2 ounce cans and divided them into three servings. By the end

of two months, I was seeing better. Now after three months, I can read print with that eye, which I couldn't do before.

My only problem is that I eat out a lot, and restaurants rarely have spinach on the menu. I am starting a campaign for all of us senile old-timers to get every cafe to cater to us by serving spinach with every meal.

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PET TALK

Just like humans, your pet needs a fire protection plan.

You can "fireproof" your pets and other animals in a variety of ways, says Dr. Dawn Boothe of Texas A&M University's College of Veterinary Medicine. Here are some tips to safeguard your pet against injury.

Make sure appliances are unplugged if not being used. "Many dogs like to chew on electrical cords, and this can either short out and start a fire or injure the dog," says Boothe. "Rabbits are also fond of chewing on cords. If you have a pet that likes to chew, it's a good idea to store appliances in a safe place when not in use."

Make sure your pet cannot reach appliances, such as irons or hair dryers when in use. "Cats sometimes like to jump on top of ironing boards and if the iron is on, it can be tipped over and may start a fire," says Boothe. "Always unplug appliances that produce heat -- such as irons or hair dryers -- if a pet is in the house."

Never leave a burning candle unattended in a house with a pet. "This is asking for trouble," Boothe believes. "Always extinguish a candle if you leave your house with your pet inside."

Watch those barbecue grills. "When finished grilling food outside, people will often leave the grill unattended with the coals still very hot, capable of starting a fire quickly. Either make sure that pets cannot get near the grill or make sure all coals have cooled down," Boothe notes.

It's a myth that animals don't like fire. "You cannot assume animals don't like fire," Boothe adds. "In fact, many animals like the warmth, and many domesticated animals such as dogs and cats like to be near heat."



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2001 Callahan County holidays are approved

Callahan County Commissioners approved the legal holidays for the year 2001 during the Commissioners' Court meeting held Monday, December 11 at the Commissioners' Court Room at the County Courthouse in Baird.

Those 2001 legal holidays in which no County business will be conducted include:

Monday/Tuesday, January 1-2: New Year's Day.

Monday, January 15: Martin Luther King Day.

Monday, February 19: Presidents Day.

Friday, April 13: Good Friday.

Monday, May 28: Memorial Day.

Wednesday, July 4: Independence Day.

Monday, September 3: Labor Day.

Monday, October 8: Columbus Day.

Monday, November 12: Veterans Day.

Thursday/Friday, November 22-23: Thanksgiving Day.

Monday/Tuesday, December 24-25: Christmas Day.

Other agenda items brought before the Commissioners' Court included:

—Commissioners were to meet with Ronnie Broadus to discuss approval of office space in the County Courthouse at Baird for the Red Cross. Broadus was unable to attend the meeting and the item will be placed on next month's meeting agenda.

—Commissioners voted to approve an order prohibiting use of fireworks in unincorporated areas

of Callahan County.

Under the order, a person commits an offense if he or she intentionally, knowingly, or recklessly detonates, ignites or in any way uses fireworks on a county road or in the right-of-way of a county road.

If the landowners' permission is obtained prior, persons may detonate, ignite, or use fireworks on private property in unincorporated areas of the county as long as:

#1 The person using the fireworks is not intoxicated.

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#4 Water is readily available for extinguishing fires.

An offense under the order is a Class C Misdemeanor punishable by fine up to \$300.

—Commissioners voted to approve publishing a notice for a public meeting announcement on site sewage permitting on Monday, January 8, 2001.

—Commissioners met with Lyman Brigham who updated the court on a Western Heritage Museum committee being formed in the County. Steve Kniffen and Don Groce also met with the Commissioners' Court on behalf of the museum group. Brigham told the Commissioners' Court the forming committee is still being formed, with Paula Windham slated to be chairperson of the committee.



ENJOYING THE MUSIC — Arlene Sanders (left) and Eunice Pointer danced while Carl Whiteley plays the fiddle. (Fund-raiser photos courtesy of Tammy Weiser of Weiser Weddings & Photography.)

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ALL DRESSED UP FOR THE OCCASION — Arlene Sanders, Site Manager for Clyde Senior Citizens Center.

Shin-Dig at Senior Citizen Center Huge Success

The first annual community shin-dig turned out to be a real success! Proceeds went to the Callahan County Nutrition Project to be used towards purchasing new transportation for the Senior

Citizens in Cross Plains.

Although the weather was cold and bitter, the enthused crowd enjoyed the BBQ sandwiches (donated by KIX Radio Station), arts and crafts booths, music and seeing/reading the coloring and writing contests (colored and written by the elementary children).

Winners of the contest were Victoria Creamer, True Avants, Charlene Avants, Thor Woerner, Julianne Mack and Clay Koenig.

The most exciting time of the events was the auction, which

totalled over \$1400 worth of donated items.

The Nutrition Project are so appreciative of everyone who was involved with the fun and exciting fund-raiser. God Bless You All!

The Nutrition Project is still in need of money to help purchase new transportation. If you can make a donation, please send it to the Callahan County Nutrition Project, County Courthouse #302, Baird, Texas 79504, or you can call Kim Baker (915) 854-1277.

Donation-----

501 c-3 tax-exempt status, the money had to be given to the county (with no restrictions), and in return, the county gave it to the Nutrition Project. They are so thankful that the county allowed this to take place.

The Nutrition Project has recently applied to the IRS for a non-profit tax exempt status. When this is approved, the Project will have the opportunity to apply for more grants from foundations and corporations.

Commissioners-----

WHEREAS, the groundwater of the Trinity Aquifer is an essential source of water for other communities and counties in the region, and

WHEREAS, the groundwater resources of the Trinity Aquifer are susceptible to water quality degradation, and

WHEREAS, the Trinity Aquifer underlies several counties in the region and actions on the Trinity Aquifer in one community or county may have impacts on the groundwater for other communities and counties, and

WHEREAS, the Trinity Aquifer is recharged directly from rainfall in Callahan County, and

WHEREAS, the groundwater resources of the Trinity Aquifer are regionally finite and locally subject to pumpage rates that exceed the transmissivity of the aquifer, and

WHEREAS, optimum use of water resources may involve conjunctive use of surface and groundwater resources, and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interests of property owners of Callahan County to have local and/or regional control over the management of the groundwater resources, and

WHEREAS, the regulation of groundwater under the "Rule of Capture" is best accomplished through administrative rules established by regional groundwater conservation districts, and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that Callahan County will fully support the creation of a groundwater conservation district

to manage the groundwater resources of the Trinity Aquifer, and NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that Callahan County will fully support a multi-county groundwater conservation district, and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that Callahan County fully supports development of a management plan for the Trinity Aquifer by a groundwater conservation district, and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that Callahan County will fully support development and enforcement of groundwater conservation district administrative rules that protect the Trinity Aquifer from local and/or regional overdraft of the groundwater resources, and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that Callahan County will fully support registration and/or permit requirements for wells and requirements for records for wells and groundwater production, and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that Callahan County will fully support groundwater conservation district services such as brush control and weather modification that promote recharge of the Trinity Aquifer, and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that Callahan County will fully support groundwater conservation district services that promote agricultural and municipal conservation of the groundwater resources through activities such as education and financial assistance, and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that Callahan County will

fully support groundwater conservation district services that promote the protection of the water quality of the Trinity Aquifer through water quality tests, oversight of well construction standards, capping and plugging of abandoned wells, establishment of rules to protect the aquifer contamination, and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that Callahan County will fully support the development of scientific knowledge of the Trinity Aquifer, and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that Callahan County will support provision of taxation, or other method or revenue generation, to finance groundwater conservation district administration, services, and activities, and

THEREFORE IT IS RESOLVED, that the Commissioner's Court of Callahan County encourages and asks for the support of Representative Jim Keffer and Senator David Sibley to create through legislative processes a regional groundwater conservation district for the Trinity Aquifer.

CONSIDERED AND ADOPTED THIS 11TH DAY OF DECEMBER, 2000 BY THE COMMISSIONER'S COURT OF CALLAHAN COUNTY, TEXAS.

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COUNTY ROADS by Ginny Greene

Holiday Heels...

"Oh, I wonder how you serve it? Where would you even find it?" I asked the questions after catching the tail end of a Today Show bit with a Southern cook.

"What are you talking about?" MyKeeper asked. "Find what?"

"Whale meat. They said something about eating whale."

MyKeeper cracked up. He laughed and laughed, trying to tell me they were talking about eating WELL.

That's just a sample of how tricky it has been for me to adapt to all things Texas.

Our first days here were filled with utility hook-ups, fast food meals, and getting the girls registered for school. The draw was pleasant in our ears, but sometimes I just didn't get it.

At the Junior High School, class requirements and electives were discussed. The required courses were listed on Punkin's schedule. Everything fit so far. There were no conflicts of time for Math, Science, History, and Language.

The counselor told us Spache was one of the electives. It was available 2nd period, and 6th, but if she chose that elective, her Math class would have to be moved around. I'd never even heard of a Spache class, so I finally asked, just to clear up my confusion.

"Oh, you know," the advisor said, "Spache. Theater Arts. Drama class."

"Oh. Speech." I felt really silly.

The hardest words in the Texas lexicon are oil and soil. For the longest time I thought the guy was speaking fondly of his oil well. And

I was puzzled for days when a rancher held up a fistful of dirt and said something was missing from the soul.

Subbing at school, the students always asked me where I came from, because my accent is so strong. I'd tell them Washington State. They'd tell me I needed to work harder on my "Y'all." They coached while I practiced. "No, that's not it. Y'all need to put more energy into the 'ALL' part of it."

They made me repeat "y'ALL, y'ALL," until it sounded better.

Now we've been here nearly 4 years. I'm so used to it, I hardly hear the accent anymore. You'd think I would have picked up more of it myself, but people still ask me where I came from, because I talk funny.

I can still be tripped up, though, as I found out the other day.

My caller was giving me a name and address. "It's at Holiday Heels. YourKeeper will know where it is."

"Holiday Heels?" I repeated. I wrote down the address and gave the message to MyKeeper.

"What in the world is this?" he asked.

"Holiday Heels. They said you'd know where it is."

He choked with laughter again. "You mean Holiday Hills!!! It's a church!"

I thought it was a shoe store, or a good place to go for a pedicure, or Santa's boot maker. I still picture the members of that church kicking it up for the Lord, though. To me it will always be Holiday Heels, a very enthusiastic church.

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CEU training available at Cross Plains Tuesday

Agriculture Committees in Callahan and Coleman Counties will host a Five (5) Hour CEU (Continuing Education Unit) Training on TUESDAY, DECEMBER 19, 2000 at the Cross Plains Community Center located at 108 N. Beech. Registration will be at 8:30 a.m. and the program will begin at 9:00 a.m. Texas Department of Agriculture has approved the program for 1 Hour in Laws & Regulations, 2 Hours in Integrated Pest Management, and 2 Hours General. These hours will apply to Commercial, Non-Commercial, and Private Applicators' license holders.

The program will begin with Laws & Regulations given by Kelly Griffin, TDA representative. Dr. Chris Sansome, Assistant Professor and Extension Entomologist, will follow with Integrated Pest Management for Livestock. Dr. Allan McGinty, Professor and Extension Range Specialist, will discuss Chemical Selection for Target Spe-

cies for Weeds & Brush Control.

A catered fish lunch, sponsored by Federal Land Bank and the Central Colorado Soil & Water Conservation District, will be served at 12:00 Noon.

Following lunch, the program will resume with Conventional and Alternative Methods for Predator Control by Frank Whitley, Texas Wildlife Damage Management Service. Brian Danko, Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission will conclude the program with Environmental Concerns for Using Pesticides. CEU Certificates will be awarded at 3:00 p.m.

Cost for the training is \$10.00 for those who pre-register by December 15, 2000. Thereafter will be \$15.00 at the door.

For more information and to pre-register, call Robert Pritz, CEA-Agriculture in Callahan County at (915) 854-1518, or Lance Rasch, CEA-Agriculture in Coleman County at (915) 625-4519.

One positive rabies report in September involved a bobcat

The Texas Department of Health's Zoonosis Control Division reported one positive case of rabies in Callahan County during the month of September 2000.

The Zoonosis Control Division tested one bobcat destroyed in the southwest portion of Clyde which turned out positive for rabies. Three other domestic cats, which came into contact with the rabid bobcat, were also tested by the Department of Health, but all three tests turned up negative for the rabies virus.

During the month of September some 86 positive rabies tests were determined by the Department of Health, with the majority coming from 33 positive skunks and 40 positive tests from bats.

Experienced stuffed animals sought by Hospice Care group

Do you have stuffed animals that your children have outgrown? Would you like to donate them to children who are hurting?

RAINBOWS, an outreach program of Hendrick Hospice Care, is a nine-week program for children who have suffered a loss through death or divorce. Children attend weekly group sessions for peer support and bonding with others that have suffered similar losses. Parents meet with adult group facilitators during the same hour as their children.

If you would like to donate your used or experienced stuffed animals, or if you would just like information about the program, please call RAINBOWS Coordinator Sharra Sampson at 677-8516 or 893-5384. Your contribution may be dropped off at 1530 Stephens in Clyde, or at the Hendrick Hospice Care office located at 1682 Hickory St. in Abilene. If you are unable to bring your donation, pickup can be arranged.

State Rep. Jim Keffer supports Food Manager Certification Bill

AUSTIN, TX — State Representative Jim Keffer has taken the first steps to protecting the business environment of local communities and ensuring public health for Texas by authorizing HB 251 this legislative session.

HB 251, Food Manager Certification, allows local health departments to require one manager of a retail food establishment to pass an exam on basic food safety. Legislation would allow the Texas Department of Health (TDH) and county and public health districts to certify retail food managers in their jurisdictions, as is currently done in the 20 larger home-rule cities.

Currently, Food Manager Certification can only be required by cities under home-rule authority since the TDH and county and public health districts do not have statutory authority to require certification. As a result, only 70 percent of the food managers in Texas are certified in basic food safety principles.

"In recent years some Texas communities have suffered the devastating social and economic effects of a foodborne illness outbreak," said Rep. Keffer.

"These and other instances of foodborne illness might have been avoided with proper food safety training, which can be accomplished through the passage of HB 251."

The bill provides protections for food managers to ensure that they do not incur undue expense or burden by becoming certified.

The Food Manager Certification bill is supported by the Texas Restaurant Association (TRA) and the TDH along with numerous local health authorities.

According to the National Restaurant Association and the National Conference for Food Protection, 13 other states have similar legislation and many others are currently considering this legislation.



SPECIAL KIWANIS GUESTS — Bo and Sandra Barr gave the Kiwanis a progress report on establishing a manufacturing business in Cross Plains. The couple will manufacture air tanks for rail cars. Roy Stambaugh was the program chairman for this meeting.

BFI Changing Pickup Date Effective January 2

BFI requested to change their regular pickup date from Wednesday to Tuesday beginning on January 2, 2001. The City Council has approved the pickup day change in hopes that the new day will work better for the commercial customers who have dumpsters that were picked up on Wednesday and Friday. Now they will be picked up on Tuesday and Friday, allowing for

better service. BFI hopes that this will not inconvenience anyone and that enough advance notice will be given for everyone to be prepared for the pickup change.

If you have any questions concerning the change, please call City at (254) 725-6114 or BFI (800) 374-4234 and talk with David Kelley.



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Janice Newman
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Emory Lusk
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Bonnie Sheppard
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