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DOWN HOME

EDITOR'S NOTE: D.B. Gunn, a local resident, has shared his talent of poetry writing with us on various occasions, and here is a poem he wrote in 1982. His words are so suitable after the first attack on the Taliban in Afghanistan by the United States Sunday, October 7th. Continue to pray for those serving in the military and for everyone in America.
Vanda Anderson Creech

"Stand Tall"

Oh yes, stand tall, my brothers.
Stand tall like an old oak tree.
Stand tall, my brothers,
and keep old America free.
Bow your head to her anthem.
Raise your hand and salute her flag.
Be proud of her, my brothers
Never let old America beg.
Just take joy in her freedom
and bless all the good things
that she has done.
Stand tall, my brothers,
when the liberty bell is rung.

For the rest of the world despises her
and hates her from afar.
So stand tall, my brothers,
and protect her fifty shining stars.
For old America is like an acorn,
that's grown into a giant oak tree.
For it beckons to the world, my brothers,
Come and take shelter under me.

For the road is there so plain,
as the Statue of Liberty lights the way.
So stand tall, my brothers,
don't let them give old America away.
Just go and protect her, brothers,
through her raging storms of strife.
Stand tall, brothers,
and protect her with your life.
Just remember her sweet freedom,
and what she means to everyone.
Then stand tall, my brothers,
For there can never be another one.

By D.B. Gunn
5-27-82

Local Garden Club Meets This Friday

The Cross Plains Garden Club will meet for a regular meeting on Friday, October 12, at 2 p.m. at the Multi-Purpose Center.

The program is "Putting Your Garden to Bed for the Winter" presented by Barbara Powell. Eva Fleming and Mary Ella Weaver will serve as hosts, and Bob Powell will give the door prize.

They will have Show and Tell and discuss their new project. Members are encouraged to recycle items such as plastic, paper, and aluminum cans (each type in separate containers).

Submitted by Joyce Odom

Check Out Cross Plains on the Web

Check out Cross Plains on the Web at:
<http://www.crossplains.com/>
All current business members of the Cross Plains Chamber of Commerce are now listed on the World Wide Web, courtesy of the Cross Plains Chamber of Commerce.

Blood Drive Planned for Cross Plains Tuesday, October 16th

The Cross Plains Community will host a blood drive on Tuesday, October 16. The Meek Blood Center Bloodmobile will be in the Food Plaza parking lot from 3:30 to 7:00 p.m.

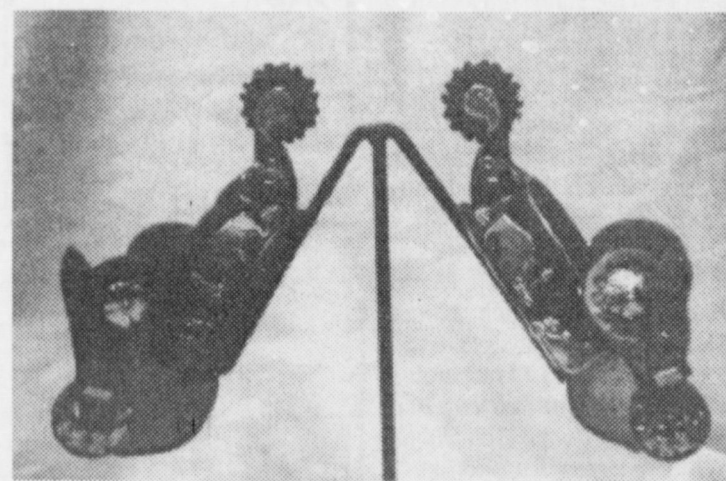
"Since the events of September 11, the response to blood donation by Big Country residents has been tremendous," said Frances Baker, Donor Recruiter. "We have had communities from all over the area calling for the Bloodmobile to come to their town, so the people of Cross Plains are fortunate that this blood

drive had been booked well in advance."

To be eligible to donate blood, a person must be between the ages of 17 to 71 and weigh at least 110 pounds. They must be in good health and have no tattoos or a body piercing within the last 12 months. Most maintenance medications such as blood pressure, hormones, cholesterol and antidepressants are acceptable. For specific questions regarding donor eligibility, please call Meek Blood Center at (915) 670-2805.



WHAT A GIFT—Rick Trammell (left) and Justin Dickson are displaying the spurs Trammell, local spur maker, donated to Justin for his trip to Australia.



BUY A CHANCE ON THESE.—These are the beautiful handmade spurs created by Rick Trammel.

Justin Dickson Working His Way to Australia

Justin Dickson is raising money for his trip to Australia this summer to participate with the Coast to Coast Athletic USA All-Star Baseball Team. He qualified for the team at a recent tryout at ACU's Scott Field, after reading about the opportunity in the *Cross Plains Review*.

Rick Trammel and his wife, Jan, and daughter, Shahala, are friends of the Dickson family and they wanted to help Justin with his project. Rick, a local bit and spur maker, donated a set of handmade spurs with a buffalo on one side and the state of Texas on the other, especially for Justin to sell chances on. They would be an as-

set to anyone's collection.

The spurs will be on display at Texas Heritage Bank and other local businesses as well as local sporting events. The chances will be \$1 each or 6 for \$5.

Justin is also mowing lawns and doing odd jobs for the public. He is working very hard to make this chance of a lifetime dream come true.

He would like to thank everyone who has already supported him in his endeavor. A special thank you to Lane Smith of Aspermont for donating the spur leathers and to Mr. Trammel for spending so much of his time and effort to create such a beautiful work of art.

Booths Available at Local Hunters' Feed on Nov. 3rd

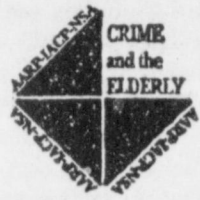
The Cross Plains Chamber of Commerce will be hosting the Hunters' Feed on Saturday, November 3, and they have booth spaces available. There is no charge for the booth, but you will need to call the Chamber of Commerce office at (254) 725-7251 to reserve one.

The Hunters' Feed will be held

at the Senior Citizens' Center in Cross Plains. All merchants in the downtown area are encouraged to have merchandise out on the sidewalk that day.

There will be many hunters in town for the event and it is held in appreciation of area hunters who boost the local economy.

TRIAD NEWS



"FRAUD ALERT"

The following is a scam going around the country right now.

A person calls your house and says they are a technician with your telephone company conducting a test on your telephone lines. He or she says to complete the test, you should press "9", "zero", the "pound sign #", and then hang up.

According to the phone company if you push 90#, you give the requesting individual full access to your telephone lines, which allows them to place long distance calls that will be billed to your home telephone number. Apparently many times this scam has been emanating from local jails.

THE CRIME PREVENTION ADVICE IS: If you get such a call, hang up immediately, and report it to your telephone company.

This notice is brought to you by the Callahan County TRIAD/S.A.L.T. Advisory Council. The council is formed by members of your local A.A.R.P. and local police and sheriff's departments and provides the opportunity for an exchange of information between law enforcement and senior citizens. We then alert you, the citizens, to the scams and frauds by placing the information in the newspaper, as we have done with the above.

On the national level, TRIAD is a cooperative effort of the National Sheriffs Association, the International Association of Chiefs of Police and the A.A.R.P. Submitted by Kay Mosley Secretary of Callahan County TRIAD/S.A.L.T. Advisory Council

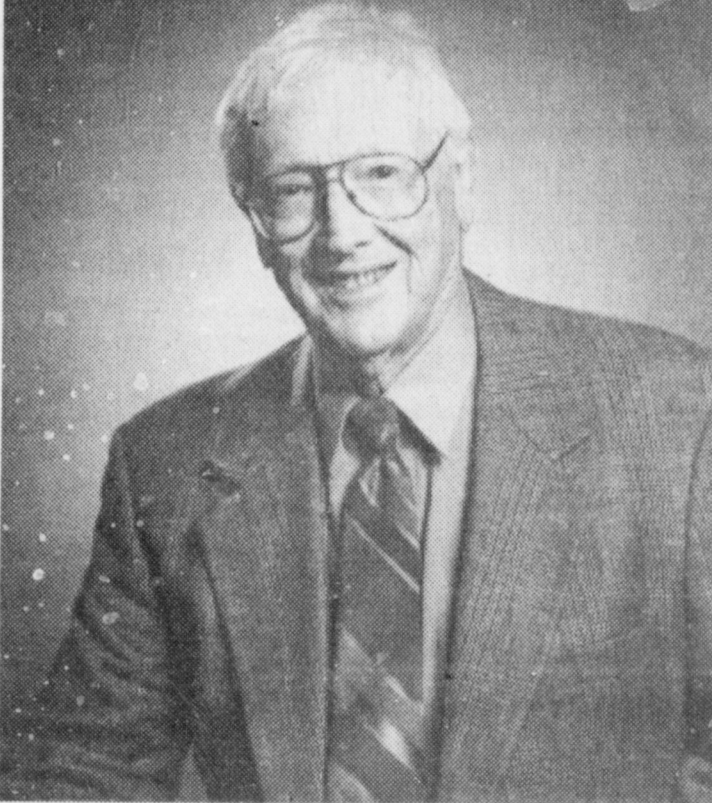
Love Fund Open For Skeet Walker

A Love Fund has been established for Skeet Walker at Texas Heritage Bank to help defray medical expenses.

Skeet was involved in an accident while hauling cattle and has been hospitalized at Hendrick Medical Center in Abilene for several weeks. Unfortunately he is not covered by medical insurance at this time, and any assistance would be greatly appreciated. Prayers on his behalf are also requested.

Two Positive Results of Rabies Reported Locally

Curtis Creach, local veterinary, reported that two skunks have tested positive as rabid over the past two weeks. One animal was located inside the city limits of Cross Plains, while the other was north of Cross Plains.



DON COLDSMITH

Meet Don Coldsmith Tuesday, October 16

By BILLIE LOVING

We asked that you mark your calendar for Tuesday, October 16. At 7 p.m., at the Cross Plains Community Center, the Cross Plains Public Library is offering another book review -- a real treat. Don Coldsmith of Emporia, Kansas, is the author you will meet.

Coldsmith served as a combat medic in the Pacific in World War II, then returned to school and graduated from Baker University in 1949. After a taste of several vocations, he returned to school to obtain a doctorate in medicine in 1958. Until 1988, he served as a physician in Family Practice in Emporia, Kansas. In 1988, however, his interest in writing won out. Since that time writing has been his vocation.

Coldsmith has taught in the Division of English at Emporia State University and is a past president of Western Writers of America. Six times he has been a finalist for the Western Writers' Golden Spur Award, and in 1990 won the Spur for the best original paperback with *The Changing Wind*.

In 1993 Coldsmith was chosen Distinguished Kansan by the Native Sons and Daughters of Kansas. Then in 1995 he was the recipient of the Edgar Wolfe

Award for lifetime contribution to literature. In 2000 he was inducted into the Writers' Hall of Fame of America and was listed by fellow professional writers to be one of the 20 most important writers of the 20th century. In 1997 his novel *Tall Grass* (Bantam) was the Book-of-the-Month Club selection; and his next, *Medicine Hat* (Oklahoma University Press), was a Doubleday Book Club choice. His current books are *The Long Journey Home* (Forge) and *Raven Mocker* (OUP). The library has a number of Coldsmith novels. Look them over before the review.

Coldsmith is a popular speaker and lecturer on the Great Plains and on the American West. He is also a member of the Speakers' Bureau for the Kansas Humanities Council.

He and his wife, Edna, maintain a small ranching operation and have raised cattle, Appaloosa horses, and 5 daughters, not necessarily in that order, so they say.

Again, Cross Plains is fortunate to have Coldsmith to come to us. Ya'll come. Bring your friends. Stay around for refreshments and visiting. Let's give these Kansans a good old Texas welcome.

Texas Heritage Bank

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Buffaloes Vs. Santa Anna
Friday 12th, @ Santa Anna
7:30 p.m. Kickoff

J. H. Buffaloes Vs. Santa Anna
Thur. 11th, @ Here with 6:00p.m.
NO J.V. Game This Week

COURTHOUSE NEWS

COUNTY COURT
Roger Corn, presiding

Misdemeanor Filings

Terry L. Burgess, driving while license suspended (DWLS).
Manuel Munoz, DWLS.
Amanda N. Brock, possession of marijuana.
Donald W. Wright, driving while intoxicated (DWI).
Billy K. Freeman, possession of marijuana.
Christopher L. Wilson, possession of marijuana.
Pat Edwin Savell, possession of marijuana.
Gary L. Cardenas, theft of property by check.

Misdemeanor Minutes

End of term order discharging defendants under misdemeanor probation: Paula Joye Holden, Angela Tedford, Richard Cardenas.
End of term order discharging defendants under deferred adjudication: Floyd Wagner, Joshua Walls, Matthew Westbrook, William Wimberly, Brandon Black, Brenda Carpenter, Michael Denny, Jennifer

Grant, Brady Holder, Emily Susan Hunter, Brian Kresge, Larry Lee.

Teresa Perez, order extending probation granted.

David Alberty, order extending probation granted.

Jerry Olinger, order extending probation granted.

Susan Fleshman, order amending condition of probation granted.

Willie Carl Taylor, motion to dismiss motion to revoke probation granted.

Denise Ford, motion to revoke probation granted.

David H. Cowley, plea of guilty to DWI, 10 days in jail, \$100 fine, \$242.25 court costs.

Jeremiah White, motion to withdraw as surety and application for warrant granted.

42nd DISTRICT COURT
John Weeks, presiding

Civil Filings

Duane Thomas Clark and Leah Kimberly Clark, divorce.

Civil Minutes

Kellie Linette Lambert and Darrell Ray Lambert, divorce granted.

OBITUARIES

Ricky Kelley

Ricky Kelley, age 45, of Cross Plains, passed away Monday, October 1, 2001, at Hendrick Medical Center in Abilene.

Funeral services were held at 2:00 p.m. Thursday, October 4, 2001, at the graveside with Michael Ingram officiating. Burial was in the Cross Plains Cemetery with Higginbotham Funeral Home of Cross Plains in charge.

Ricky was born January 21, 1956, in Fort Leonardwood, Missouri to J.M. Kelley and Arlene (Gillett) Kelley Laney.

Survivors include his mother, Arlene Laney of Cross Plains; a sister, Kay Pendley of Brownfield; two brothers, Danny Joe Kelley of Granbury and Cecil Ray Byrd.

Pallbearers were Eddie Rose, Sam Gardener, K.C. Linger, Chris Wilson, Joe Gardener and Ralph Fortner.

Katherine Elizabeth Winchester

Katherine Elizabeth Winchester, 81, of Cisco, passed away Friday, October 5, 2001, at Canterbury Villa Nursing Home in Cisco.

Graveside services were held at 11 a.m. Tuesday, October 9, in Oakwood Cemetery with Archie Robinson officiating, directed by Kimbrough Funeral Home of Cisco.

Mrs. Winchester was born June 12, 1920, in Cottonwood, Texas to Robert F. and Lois (Whitehorn) Joy. She married Ronald Winchester on December 20, 1936, in Cottonwood. He preceded her in death on August 26, 2000.

Mrs. Winchester was a clerk at J.C. Penney Company in Cisco; a member of Primitive Baptist Church, AARP and Cisco Senior Citizens.

Survivors include a daughter, Rhonda Harris of Moran; a son, Fielding Winchester of Cisco; a sister, Bobbie N. Brown of Pioneer; five grandchildren; 13 great-grandchildren; numerous nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents and five brothers, O.B. Joy, M.H. Joy, R.C. Joy, R.F. Joy Jr. and Donald Joy.

Memorials may be made to Cisco EMS c/o First National Bank, Cisco, Texas 76437.

Ina "Ossie" Harlow

Ina "Ossie" Harlow, 87, of Round Rock, and formerly of Abilene, passed away Saturday, September 22, 2001, at Round Rock Medical Center.

Services were held at 2 p.m. in the Community Memorial Funeral Home Chapel with Dr. Tom Thomson officiating. Burial was in Elmwood Memorial Park, directed by Community Memorial Funeral Home.

Mrs. Harlow was born in Hamilton, Texas on June 7, 1914, the daughter of the late Myrtle Peel and Clingmon D. Hudson. On September 14, 1940, she married John M. "Boots" Harlow in Cross Plains. She was a member of the First United Methodist Church in Abilene, where she lived until 1994 when she moved to the Austin area to be near her children. She was an avid seamstress, a very good cook and took care of many children in Abilene. She was a good Mom.

Survivors include a son, Randy Kent Harlow and his wife, Karen, of Round Rock; a daughter, Tracy Jill Traffanstedt and her husband, J.R., of Austin; three sisters, Hannah Browning of Parachute, Colorado, Ida DeRan of Conroe and Margie Williams and her husband, Charles, of Abilene; two grandchildren, Tyler Harlow and Megan Harlow, both of Round Rock.

Memorials may be made to the First United Methodist Church, 1318 S. 2nd Street, Abilene, Texas 79601 or St. Philip's United Methodist Church, 16321 Great Oaks Blvd., Round Rock, Texas 78717.

Cross Timbers Annual Meeting

Cross Timbers Southern Baptist Association will hold its Annual Meeting this Tuesday, October 16, at the Carbon Community Baptist Church in Carbon.

The Business Session begins at 5:30 p.m., followed by supper at 6 p.m. Music commences at 7 p.m. with the Shiloh Quartet from Arlington. Dr. Stan Coffey, pastor of San Jacinto Baptist Church in Amarillo and past president of the Southern Baptists of Texas Convention, will be the speaker.

Cross Timbers Southern Baptist Association consists of 35 churches located in Brown, Callahan, Comanche, Eastland, Hamilton, McCulloch, Nolan, Shackelford, Stephens and Taylor counties. The Association is affiliated with the Southern Baptist of Texas Convention and the Southern Baptist Convention.

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

Flu Shot Schedule

Girling Healthcare announces the arrival of influenza vaccine the following locations:

Cross Plains Senior Citizen's Center - October 12, 9 a.m.-12 p.m.

Cross Plains High School - October 16, 9 a.m. - 12 p.m.

Rising Star - Palace Drug - October 17, 8 a.m. - 1 p.m.

Cisco Elementary - October 18, 7:30 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Eastland Girling Office - October 22, 8 a.m. - 5 p.m.

Gorman I.S.D. - October 11, 7:30 a.m. - 1 p.m.

Strawn First National Bank - October 12, 9 a.m. - 1 p.m.

Breckenridge - First National Bank - October 15, 7 a.m. - 7 p.m.

Ranger - Gholson Hotel - October 16, 11:30 a.m. - 5 p.m.

Moran ISD - October 17, 8 a.m. - 1 p.m.

Albany Friendship Baptist Church - October 19, 9 a.m. - 1 p.m.

Albany Shackelford Co. Resource Center - October 30, 9 a.m. - 1 p.m.

Medicare pays 100 percent of the fee. If not a medicare recipient, the cost to the general public will be \$15.00 per injection. If there are any questions, please call the Girling Office in Eastland for details at (254) 629-1268.

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6th Annual Rising Star Octoberfest Sat., Oct. 13th

The sixth annual Rising Star Octoberfest, Saturday, October 13th at the City Park on Highway 36 will feature an antique tractor show and pull. Tractors can be entered upon arrival. The pull will start at 11 a.m. See Willie or Skipper Ezzell.

The parade will begin at 10 a.m. at the high school and any float or other entry will be welcomed. Musical entertainment will begin at 11 a.m. at the park.

There will be a wide variety of arts and crafts booths. Booth

spaces are available. Call Ann Murdock (254) 643-3226 or Betty Fisher (254) 643-3651.

There will be food booths and a main event will be the Bar-B-Q Cook-off sponsored by the Lone Star Bar-B-Q Society. For information, call Coan O'Brien (254) 643-1100. Octoberfest is sponsored by the Chamber of Commerce and The Saturday Club, TFWC and GFWC.

Come out and bring your flag, your family and enjoy a day of fun, fellowship and shopping. God Bless the U.S.A.!!!

Class of 1961 Reunion Saturday

The Cross Plains High School Class of 1961 will meet this Saturday, October 13, for their 40th Reunion at the Cross Plains Community Center on Beech Street.

Classmates will gather at 10:00 a.m. for coffee and visitation. Lunch plans will be announced at the meeting.

Colonial Oaks Services

Cottonwood Baptist will conduct worship services at Colonial Oaks Nursing Home on Sunday, October 14, commencing at 3:30 p.m.

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Matthew 5:8 Blessed are the pure in heart: for they shall see God.

Cross Plains Masonic Lodge No. 627

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Worship - 10:45 a.m.
Rev. C. Michael Redd, Pastor

Sunday's Sermon
"How Do You Respond To God's Mercy"

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9:45 a.m. Bible Study Opportunities For All Ages

11:00 a.m. Worship Service

"The Love of God"

6:00 p.m. Evening Worship

"Praise Through Thanksgiving"

Jimmie Mize - Interim Pastor
Kevin & Kim Cassidy - Youth Frank O'Banion - Music
Welcome!

Community Appreciation Social Planned

A Community Appreciation Social will be hosted by North Lake Brownwood Volunteer Fire Department and Sparkettes featuring ice cream and sweets. The social will be held Saturday, October 13, at the Fire Station.
This is not a fund-raiser. It is free to the community to show their appreciation for the support given.

Callahan County DPS Report

Calls received by the Callahan County Department of Public Safety from September 30, 2001 through October 6, 2001 include:

Cases Investigated

Warnings-67

Complaints-81

Vehicle Accidents

There were three vehicle accidents investigated during this time span.

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BIBLE CLASS.....10:30 A.M.

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Sunday School.....9:45 A.M.

Morning Worship.....11:00 A.M.

Evening Service.....6:00 P.M.

Wednesday Bible Study & Prayer Time.....7:00

Matt McGowen, Interim Student Pastor (254) 643-3276

Church (254)725- 6266

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SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP.....11:00 A.M.

Pastor: Carl Mauldin

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Sponsor: Pioneer Baptist Church

Sunday School.....10:00 A.M.

Sunday Morning Worship.....11:00 A.M.

Sunday Evening Worship.....6:00 P.M.

Bill Armstrong - Pastor

Quilt and Art Show at Pioneer Saturday, Oct. 20

On October 20th the third annual Quilt and Art Show will be at the Pioneer Community at Pioneer from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. There will be no admission.

Betty Beggs and Marlene Sanders of the Paint and Palette Club ask that you please bring your pictures in between 8:30 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. This will give the judge time to view them. If you have any questions, please call Marlene Sanders at (254) 725-7421.

Every year there has been many beautiful quilts displayed. Do you have a quilt to show? There will be a Country Store again this year with fresh baked goods, eggs, jelly, etc. Also a prize will be given each hour from a drawing of those who register and are present.

If any wish to put a booth on the premise, there is no charge and no electricity. We just request the space be cleaned afterwards. Please come with your pictures and quilts and meet old friends and make new ones.

Submitted by Earlene Burge

DEADLINES

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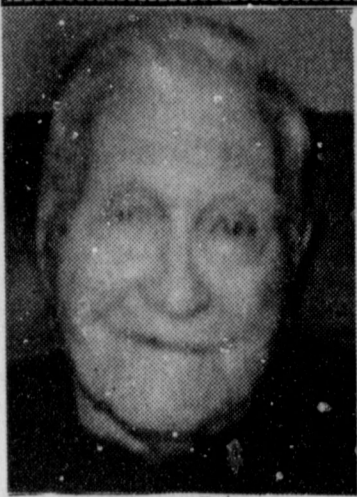
Now on Tuesday

Articles

Now on Monday

COLONIAL OAKS NURSING HOME NEWS

BY LINDA MERRITT



Victor Long

Victor Long has been chosen as the resident for this month. He was born on June 8, 1916, in Ash Ridge Wisconsin and is 85 years young. Victor has six children, nine grandchildren and six great-grandchildren. He enjoys watching t.v., going walking and visiting with his grandchildren. Congratulations Victor.

Our thoughts and prayers for Bulah (Boots) Ferguson, who is in Hendrick Medical Center in Abilene.

I am proud to announce that I now have a beautiful granddaughter, Trinity Eden Buitran, born October 4, 2001, at Brownwood Regional Medical Center weighing 7 pounds and is 18 inches long.

Frank Bartek reports that he had an enjoyable time out with his daughter and her family, Evelyn Harris. He said he went to church in Brownwood then afterwards had some delicious Mexican

food.

Appreciation to Vicki and Dean Dillard for the cakes and pies.

Lee, Darlene, and Jessica of Coleman visited with Falba Shofner and Pauline Regan.

Clara McInnis of Cottonwood visited with Jessie Casey.

W.O. Childers of Odessa visited with J.C. Childers and Hallie Hartley.

Charlou Cowan and Lurene McNutt visited with Louise Richardson.

Charlene McGowen of Brownwood, Naomi McCowen, Joan and Alton McCowen visited with Donie McCowen.

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

Kimberly Woerner of Godley visited with Blackie Reynolds.

Activities

MONDAY: Bingo winners were Clifford King, Jessie Casey (2), Vera Belyeu, Donie McCowen, Eric Kelly and Ruby Harrell. Exercise class.

TUESDAY: Art class. Singing with Dorothy Reynolds. Dominoes.

WEDNESDAY: Sing-a-long with Bob Wallace and Dean Brannan. Exercise.

THURSDAY: Manicures. Ball-toss.

FRIDAY: Bingo winners were Vera Belyeu, Donie McCowen, Jessie Casey, Eric Kelly and Clifford King. Popcorn and Dominoes.

Autumn is a second spring when every leaf is a flower.

COTTONWOOD NEWS

BY WALLACE BENNETT

Musical a Good Place to Meet

The Cottonwood Musical is a good place to meet old friends as well as new one. Such was the case a few weeks ago when I was approached by a young man who asked, "Aren't you Wallace Bennett?"

I admitted the connection and he introduced himself as Eldon Bowen, youngest son of Walter Bowen, formerly of Turkey Creek. We were former school-mates at the Turkey Creek School, seven miles west of Cottonwood. We enjoyed some quality time renewing some good memories of favorite school days. Eldon now lives in Cisco. I had met his twin sister, Evy Bowen Rhodes, a few weeks before at an earlier edition of the Cottonwood Musical.

Alder Nordyke was our "school marm" and she ruled with a heavy hand. It was a one-teacher school comprised of first through eighth grades. There was never a doubt about who was in charge at Turkey Creek Elementary School. If a boy got a little unruly, she would send him out to the banks of Turkey Creek to cut a willow switch with which she could "whip" him.

If two boys got into a fight, she would send them both out. By the time they found proper switches and made it back to the school room, they were friends again, but got the whipping anyway.

Miss Alder would occasionally "take up books, at the first bell" to see who had prepared their homework. Students would walk up and deposit their first period school book on her desk, then "recite" the lesson while standing in front of the entire student body. Each student listened to all other students do the recitation.

Back to the future, years later, while stationed in Europe, I met a newly hired teacher who came to Baumholder, Germany to teach

in the U.S. Military School for dependents. I remarked that my son would be attending that school. "What time do you take up books?" I asked and recognized by the quizzical look on her face, she was asking her own question, "Well, dumb ox, what do you mean by 'taking up books?'"

Turkey Creek School lasted until 1936 when the school merged with Cottonwood Independent School District. Eldon Bowen told me that Miss Missouri Strahan, the last teacher who came over to Turkey Creek community, picked up all the students in her car to take them to Cottonwood.

Cottonwood Connections

I talked by phone today with Jon Ted Ivy, a former resident of both Turkey Creek and Cottonwood. We always reminisce about those good old days and remember each teacher and fellow student with joy. A few months ago, we were discussing the WWII days and the way we were all split up and forced into life patterns we probably never would have chosen, if it had not been for Pearl Harbor. We wondered then, if there would ever be a new generation of young people who could rise to the challenges needed to respond to a national crisis. Today, in our conversation, we looked at America's response to terrorist attacks on America and agreed that this generation is up to the challenge it faces, and indeed this is still the homeland of the free and the brave.

(Please report all news and personal items to Wallace Bennett (817) 725-7474. I am very interested in Cottonwood Connections about people who are involved in America's fight against terrorists, military or civilian, at home or abroad.)

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QUIPS, CLIPS & COMMENTS

BY KAY MOSLEY

Hint for the week: Remember to bring all your pot plants inside for the winter early enough that they don't freeze.

"Memories and Childhood Franks"

Back in the dim, dark ages of my past, my cousin was visiting us one summer when we were teenagers in junior high and high school when we lived in Baird. Cousin Glenda and I had been teasing and tormenting my sister all week. We kept telling her we were going to read her diary. We mainly were just saying this 'cause we found out she'd go into a tizzy at the mere thought of anyone reading that diary.

One day she forgot and happened to leave the diary in the bathroom. So when she wasn't looking we sneaked the diary key from its hiding place and ran into the bathroom. We were hollering as loud as we could, "We're gonna read your diary!" We were just laughing and giggling and snickering the whole time. We slammed the bathroom door and locked it. Naturally she thought we were just a readin' that diary to beat the band.

We did try, but we were laughing so hard it took us forever to get it unlocked and by then my sister was havin' such a fit about us reading it that Daddy got in on it. He made Glenda and me come out of the bathroom and gave Ann back her diary.

Later that week my sister had a date with a boy who was real popular with the girls there. It was her first date with him, thou' she had dated others.

While she was out on that date, having nothing better to do,

Glenda and I decided to get revenge on Ann for getting us in trouble. So for the rest of that evening we plotted and planned, schemed, scammed and hastily made our plans.

After Mother and Daddy had gone to bed for the night, Glenda and I sneaked out the kitchen door and went around the corner of the house and hid behind Mrs. McBride's hedge. We knew what time Ann was to be in, so we knew about what time to go out. Well, sure enough, we didn't have to wait very long until--- here they came.

He never knew we were there, but "we" knew and it was all we could do to remain silent. There we were out there in our shorty pajamas rolling around behind Mrs. M.C.'s hedge in the grass, laughing so hard our bellies hurt; holding our aching tummies while also trying to hold laughter in so we wouldn't make any noise. The minute his car pulled away, we could control ourselves any longer, and we burst out laughing so hard they probably heard us all the way to Dallas.

To say the least, Ann was very unhappy with the two of us. I'll bet if she'd had a gun, she'd really have made the two of us dance. As it was, she was so mad that Glenda and I went around all the rest of the summer looking cautiously over our shoulders, behind barrels and trees, under the bed, definitely behind hedges, and any other place she might be concealed. We were still laughing though!! It's been more than 40 years now since that little escapade and she still has us in suspense as to how and when she's gonna get THAT revenge!!

LIBRARY NOTES

October 1-5

Monday morning, October 8, the Cross Plains Public Library Board met for the monthly meeting. The group had a lot to discuss, as this season is a very busy one. It will soon be time to elect new officers.

The park is finished, but there is still a great deal to be done---like getting the grass and plants to grow. Hopefully by next year you can sit near a tree instead of a bush.

Final arrangements were discussed for the October "Meet the Author" featuring Don Coldsmith. Please see article on front page. Tentative plans were discussed for next year's authors. The group decided that each author be chosen for his specialty

and not for any set theme. Tentative dates are January 15, April 16, July 16, and October 15. Numerous suggestions are in the planning stage for an exciting year.

We hope to see you on the 16th.

Statistics:	
Books	67
Audio	2
ILL	2
Total	71

Memorials:
Earlene Hughes for Helen Freeman

Mattie Faye Wilson for Jay Kirkham, Helen Freeman and Naomi Harris
Donations:
Jack and Kathryn Tunnell - funds
Mattie Faye Wilson - books
Mars Crawford - book

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

This letter was presented to the City Council and they requested that it be published in the newspaper as follows:

To The City Council of the City of Cross Plains:

We would like to extend our appreciation for the use of the Senior Citizen's Center for the New York Disaster Relief. We would like for you to know that our wonderful Community raised over \$14,000.00 in support of the National Tragedy that happened on September 11, 2001. We cannot express enough the thanks we feel for your support in making this endeavor a success. The unbelievable support shown by our citizens is what makes Cross Plains such a wonderful place to live. We really did show a big city what a little city can and will do!

Almost all response to the event was extremely positive, however, to address the one negative response that the city received on Monday, October 1, 2001, after the use of the Center in which an accusation was made that we left the center in a filthy, disarrayed manner, without putting the tables back in the same exact manner in which we found them. We tried to the best of our ability and knowledge to arrange them in the same order. We find it appalling that after this much was done to help raise money for the widows and orphans of these great Ameri-

can heroes that someone would have the audacity to complain about something as minor as the position of a couple of tables.

The undersigned would like to make it clear to the council that this group stayed for several hours to make sure that the building was left in much better condition than it was found. Our position is that we want the council to know that we would not use the facility in which the City was so gracious to let us use at no charge and then leave without cleaning. At a later date, we may ask to use your facilities again, and would hope that we would be allowed to do so.

Thank you for your Support!!!!

Dean and Vicki Dillard
Phillip R. Schaefer
Susan J. Schaefer
Jean B. McWilliams
Netha Carouth
Rickey Carouth
Cliffadean Hargrove
Marilyn Tennison
Marian Reed
A.J. Carouth
Jackie Tennison
ReNetha Carouth
Lindy Cooper
Curtis Cooper
Donna Castleman
Wes Castleman
Melanie Long
Jimmy Long
Bryan and Debi Bennett
Nathan Joy and the C.P. Key Club Members

CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

September 4, 2001

This was a regular meeting of the Cross Plains City Council. All members were present except for Joe Ingram. Minutes of the last meetings were approved as read.

The mayor called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

Don Gosnell, Chief, met with the council to give the monthly police report. He reported seventy-six calls for service, one DPS assisted accident, four criminal mischief's, one prowler call, one telephone harassment, assisted Sheriff's Office with one carrying of a prohibited weapon, two drug arrests and one trespassing. Other calls included one runaway and three alarm calls at the Village Market. Fifty-seven warnings and ninety-one citations were given. By general consent the council approved the report as presented.

Bob Hill, Judge, presented the monthly judge's report. He reported eighty-five citations for the City, with forty remaining outstanding, and eighteen reminder letters being sent. He also reported that fifteen remain outstanding for July, twelve remain outstanding for June and seven remain outstanding for May. By general consent the council approved the report as presented.

Keith Lawrence, acting President for the EDC, met with the council to discuss the four proposals that the EDC board has received. He informed the council that as yet the EDC board has not met to discuss the proposal as of yet, but plans to do so, and have a recommendation for the council at the next regular meeting.

A letter from Bennie Hromadka with Community Sanitation was read to the council thanking them for their time and considering the sanitation service.

Mark Norris presented the council with some prices on a new riding lawn mower. He informed the council that the riding lawn mower the city owns at the

present is in poor condition due to the amount of mowing required. He informed the council that we mow the City Hall yard, the Community Center, the City Maintenance Yard, four baseball fields as well as the inside of the sewer farm. He asked the council to consider purchasing a less expensive mower to mow the City Hall yard and the maintenance yard and then to purchase a commercial mower to do the rest of the mowing. By general consent the council agreed to have Mr. Norris gather information on the repair of the old mower and gather information on the cost of a new mower in comparison. James Nichols moved to go ahead and purchase the commercial lawn mower in the amount of \$6,285.00 and amend the budget in that respective amount and pay for the purchase out of the general fund. Dean Dillard seconded and motion carried.

The council read Nuisance Ordinance #2001-001 for the second and final reading. Edwin Weiss moved to pass the ordinance. Jerry Cassle seconded and motion carried.

Jerry Cassle moved to pay the bills. Edwin Weiss seconded and motion carried.

Dean Dillard moved to go into executive session at 7:50 p.m. Edwin Weiss seconded and motion carried. Discussion was held at length concerning the appointment of a board member to the economic development board. Jerry Cassle moved to return to open meeting at 8:20 p.m. Edwin Weiss seconded and motion carried.

Mayor Purvis appointed Jerry Cassle to the Economic Development Board to fill the vacancy left when Steve Mack resigned after moving to Boerne.

Dean Dillard moved to adjourn. Jerry Cassle seconded and motion carried.

Ray Purvis, Mayor
ATTEST:
Debbie Gosnell, Secretary

PUBLIC FAX (254) 725-7225

BREAKTHRU

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



I was hardly out of worship last Sunday morning when I heard that we, the United States of America, along with Britain, had begun a bombing and missile attack upon strategic locations of the Taliban in Afghanistan. Then for the rest of the day, and into other days so far this week, we have heard both praises and condemnations of our President and Nation for having done so - but far more praises than condemnations!

God instituted the concept of government - "governing authorities" - and Paul wrote to the Christians in Rome in regard to them, Romans 13. He said that God appoints governments, and "the rulers are not a terror to good works, but to evil." Then he asked: "Do you want to be unafraid of the authority? (Then) do what is good, and you will have praise from the same page" of instructions - not even in the right book! Did you notice the article in Sunday's *Abilene Reporter-News* (7AA) regarding "Four Faiths And Their Backgrounds"? Those explored were: 1) Al-Islam; 2) Baha'i; 3) Christianity; and 4) Judaism. To read the information on the first two is self explanatory as to their "misguidance," and to read only Christianity embraces both the Old & New Testaments of the Bible as God's word explains at least one error of even modern day Judaism. (I hope that you will read the entire article so you can see for yourself why Christianity rises "head and shoulders" above other so-called "faiths" of the world - and why the Taliban, those following the Islamic/Muslim religion - are so mistaken in their attitudes and actions.)

Now reread last week's "Breakthrough," with which I ended: "Peace, not war - except against Satan and his representatives..." May God continue to bless America!

Sunday Morning Bible Class...9:45a.m. Sunday Evening Worship...6:00p.m.
Sunday Morning Worship...10:45a.m. Wed. Evening Bible Study...7:00p.m.
Friends & Neighbors Caring In Jesus

SENIOR CITIZENS MENU

October 15- October 19

MONDAY-- Baked Chicken w/ Gravy, Carrots, Mashed Potatoes, Pudding, Roll, Milk
TUESDAY-- Swiss Steak, Rice, Green Beans, Fruit, Brownie, Bread, Milk
WEDNESDAY-- Beef Stew, Cucumber, Tomato Salad, Apple Crisp, Cornbread, Milk
THURSDAY-- Fish, Coleselaw, Baked Beans, Pineapple Upside down Cake, Hushpuppies, Milk
FRIDAY-- Chicken Spaghetti, Salad, Brussel Sprouts, Fruitcocktail, Garlic Bread, Milk

C.P. STUDENT REVIEW

Buffaloes are 4-1 to Start District Play

By KEVIN CASSIDY

The Buffaloes had last week off. They will start the run for a District Title this Friday in Santa Anna. Through the non-district season the Buffaloes have put up some good numbers. They have out scored their opponents 130 to 68. The Buffs are averaging 26 points a game and allowing 13.6 points a game. Offensively the Buffs have gained a total of 1,694 yards. They are averaging 338.8 yards per game. The Buffs have rushed 232 times for a total of 1,131 yards and 12 touchdowns. They are averaging 226.2 yards rushing per contest and 4.9 yards per attempt. The Buffs have completed 28 of 50 passes for a total of 563 yards with 7 touchdowns and 4 interceptions. They are averaging 112.6 yards per game and 11.3 yards per completion.

Defensively this year the Buffs have allowed their opponents to gain 685 total yards. Their opponents are averaging 137 yards of total offence a game. The Buffs have allowed 446 yards rushing on 158 attempts. Averaging out to be 89.2 yards a game and only 2.8 per attempt. The pass defense has allowed 29 completions on 69

attempts. For a total of 239 yards. Averaging out to be 47.8 yards a game and 3.5 yards per attempt. The Buffaloes have also recovered 12 fumbles, 5 interceptions and 1 defensive touchdown through the non-district season.

Individual Stats:

Offense

5 Non-District Games

Rushing: Att/ Yds/ TD
Klay Wilson 63-306-3
Jordan Duran 33-211-3
Tony Beggs 38-210-2
Dustin Purvis 33-204-1
Tim Butler 44-132-2
Jose Mauricio 18-63-1
Josh Hopkins 2-7-0
Joseph Dillard 1-(-)-0

Receiving:

Catches /Yds/TD
Joseph Dillard 9-209-3
Chris Harris 8-201-2
Tony Beggs 4-71-0
Josh Hopkins 1-37-1
Dusty Dickson 2-22-0
Dustin Purvis 2-18-0
Klay Wilson 1-5-1

Passing:

Comp/Att/Yds/TD/Int
Tim Butler 25-46-504-6-3;
Tony Beggs 1-2-37-1-1;
Josh Hopkins 2-2-22-0-0

Individual Stats:

Defense

5 Non-District Games

Tackles: Solo/ Assist
Tony Beggs 25-32
Charlie Rogers 13-25
Matt Nickerson 12-20

Dustin Purvis 13-17
Josh Hopkins 9-17
Joseph Dillard 11-12
Tim Butler 14-9
Kevin Wilson 6-13
Cole Koenig 5-14
Chris Sliger 2-16
Chris Harris 11-4
Casey Pack 3-10
Clinton Grubb 3-6
Dusty Dickson 4-5
Kevin Scott 1-11
Jordan Pancake 1-9
Jordan Duran 1-5
Jose Mauricio 2-4
Jared Wooten 3-2
Andy Bennett 0-1
Brandon Jones 0-1

Sacks:

Tony Beggs 1
Charlie Rogers 1
Matt Nickerson 2
Joseph Dillard 3
Casey Pack 3

Interceptions:

Dustin Purvis 1
Josh Hopkins 2
Chris Harris 1
Dusty Dickson 1

Fumble Recoveries:

Tony Beggs 1
Josh Hopkins 3
Tim Butler 1
Kevin Wilson 2
Cole Koenig 1
Chris Sliger 1
Clinton Grubb 3-1 TD

Gifted Education Nominations Requested

Nominations for student participation in gifted education at Cross Plains ISD are now being accepted for students in grades K-12. Parents and community members are invited to nominate any child they believe exhibits intellectual characteristics that exceed those normally seen in children of the same age.

You may nominate any child by coming to the elementary office for students in grades K-6 or the high school office for students in grades 7-12 and completing nomination forms. Please have nominations in by November 15, 2001, if possible.

All parents are welcome to come by the office and pick up a Parent Handbook on Gifted Education. For information regarding gifted education, you may call Pat Stephens or Connie Ricci at 725-6123 for elementary or Carol Atchley or Melissa Wooten for 7-12 at 725-6121.

HSU Cowgirl Steer Show Orientation

The 2001-2002 Callahan County Steer Show is just around the corner. To get everything kicked off, there will be an orientation meeting held Monday October 15th at 6:30 p.m. at the County Extension Office located on the second floor of the County Courthouse. Everyone that is interested in participating in this year's show needs to attend. We will be outlining this year's contest dates as well as reviewing all forms for recordbooks. Recordbook information will be distributed at this meeting. This orientation is to help new and old showers alike be prepared for this year's program. The purpose of the program is to help young people gain practical experience in feeding commercial beef cattle. The contest is open to Callahan County youth between the ages of 8-19 years of age. The cost to enter is \$20.00 per head and one head constitutes a pen. These rules and more will be explained and reviewed on October 15th.

So if you think you are interested, make plans to attend this orientation meeting at 6:30 p.m. October 15th. For more information, contact the Callahan County Extension Office at 854-1518.

Sincerely, Robert Pritz
County Extension Agent



GRAND CHAMPION STEER—This was the Grand Champion Steer at the West Texas Fair and Rodeo in Abilene. Pictured is Stetson Copus (from left), Stetson's dad, Mark Copus, and Dean Dillard.

Local Man's Steer Wins Grand Champion at West Texas Fair and Rodeo in Abilene

Dean Dillard of Cross Plains had a very good week at the West Texas Fair in Abilene last month. He sold the Grand Champion Steer. The West Texas Fair is one of the biggest and most prestigious stock shows of the summer.

The steer was shown by one of Dean's feeders, Stetson Copus of

Burkburnett. Stetson has shown several of Dillard Cattle Company Steers, with one being the Reserve Champion Shorthorn at Fort Worth last year.

There were around 400 animals entered in the Abilene Show, with cattle coming from all over Texas. Dean also sold other high placing steers including Dayna

Bennett showing the Reserve Champion Angus Steer. Nathan Joy had 3rd place Shorthorn. Dayna and Nathan are both of Cross Plains. Other winners sold by Dean were 1st place Limousin, 1st place Charolais and several 2nd and 3rd place steers. All in all it was a very successful show.

Cross Country Action Reported

On Saturday, October 6, we returned to Abilene Christian University in Abilene. We ran this same course on week 2 in September and showed marked improvement lowering our times between 1 1/2 to 3 minutes by all our runners.

The boys raced against A and 2A competition very well. The race distance was approximately 3 1/8 miles with a constant up and down terrain.

Andy Bennett - 19:41, 22nd
Josh Hopkins - 14:03, 34th
Cesar Rameriz - 20:17, 41st
Randy Duncan - 20:35, 48th
Dusty Cooper - 24:12, 77th
*Total of 82 runners

The girls ran the same difficult course for 2 1/8 miles and also competed very well.

Shana Hyles - 14:35, 4th Medal
Christin Hyles - 15:21, 13th Medal
Shena Thomas - 15:55, 22nd
Angela Swift - 16:37, 27th
Melanie Chesshir - 18:01, 35th
*Total of 39 runners

District is fast approaching and will take place at 2:30 p.m. on Monday, October 22, at the old golf course owned by Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Clark. All volunteers will once again be very appreciated to host a first-class District Meet.

Taylor Electric Contest

Taylor Electric would like to invite all area high school students to enter our annual Youth Tour contest. The contest is an oratorical contest and the contestants will be required to give a 5 to 8 minute speech on the topic "Major Issues Facing Me As A High School Student Today". Props may be used during the presentation of the speech and if Taylor Electric can assist you with any needs please let us know.

The contest date is October 23, 2001 at 7:00 p.m. at Taylor Electric's office in Merkel. There will be two winners and a runner-up chosen. The winners will go on an all expense paid trip to Washington, D.C. in June 2002. You will travel with several hundred other winners from across Texas, New Mexico and Oklahoma and make some lifelong friends along the way!

Challenge yourself to participate in our contest; the entry deadline is October 19. Entry packets are available in your school office or you can call the office at 1-800-992-0086 and we will drop one in the mail to you. Visit our website, www.taylor-electric.com and click on "news of interest" for more information on the contest.



A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Cross Plains I.S.D. will be held on Tuesday, October 16, at 7 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:

1. Prayer
2. Minutes
3. Open Forum
4. Discuss with John Fitzgerald and take action on acquiring money to buy computers and technology equipment.
5. Discuss and take action on Juniors using old gym for Fall Festival.
6. Review DEC visit at Cross Plains I.S.D.
7. Discuss and take action on Local Policy CFB (Accounting Inventories).
8. Discuss/hear public comment and take action on CO Local Policy concerning Internet Safety Policy
9. Discuss and take action on developing policy for identifying students at risk using local criteria.
10. Review bills
11. Adjourn.

Notice of the meeting was given by Jackie Tennison, Superintendent.



C. P. H. S. Class of 1946 Get Together

On October 3, 2001, the Class of 1946 met at the Whispering Oaks Ranch in Carbon for a day of visiting and some really good food.

The facilities at the Whispering Oaks are exceptional. You have a great outdoor covered pavilion and also an enclosed air conditioned area that was great for us, since the wind was blowing that day.

We could like to say "thanks" to Davy and LaChelle Vestal for their hospitality. Davy is the son of Dick and Joann Vestal, our host and hostess for the day.

Those attending were George and Bonnie Barnard, Morris and Karen Barrington, Wanda and Arthur Boyle, Harold Garrett, Eugene Gibson, Robert and Charlene Grider, Imogene Haun, Bobby Hinkle, N.L. and Ann Long, Jack Lacy, Jimmy and Ida McCowen, Dorothy Petty, and Edgar and Virginia Sessions.

All who didn't get to be with us, you missed a great time and we hope you can be with us next time.

Submitted by Bobby Hinkle

Local "Wheels-For-Life" Bike-A-Thon October 20

St. Jude Children's Research Hospital "Wheels-For-Life" Bike-A-Thon will be held Saturday, October 20 (rain date October 27) from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. at the Little League Baseball Field. Frank O'Banion is the coordinator for the event and if you have any questions call him at (254) 725-6311.

Pick up sponsor forms at the school and start signing today. Check your bike for safety; dress comfortably; and wear your helmet.

Bring your completed forms to

register at the time and place listed. If under 18, be sure your parent/guardian has signed the forms. Collect and turn in pledges.

Prizes will be available for participants as follows:

* Riders collecting \$75, Sports Bag, T-shirt and Certificate or Sweatshirt and Certificate

* Riders collecting \$35, T-shirt and Certificate

* Everyone turning in money - Certificate

* The participant turning in the most money over \$100 - Jambox

PARENTS GRADES K-6
There will be a meeting about the CP Little League Baseball, Pee Wee Basketball, and Girls Softball on **Mon. Oct. 29, 2001 7:00 p.m. @Dairy Queen**

SCHOOL MENU

October 15 - October 19
BREAKFAST
MONDAY--Popart, Yogurt, Assorted Juice
TUESDAY-- Oatmeal, Toast, Assorted Juice
WEDNESDAY-- Breakfast Bread, Assorted Juice
THURSDAY-- Cereal, Toast, Assorted Juice
FRIDAY-- Donuts, Assorted Juice
LUNCH
MONDAY-- Hotdog w/ Chili & Cheese, Tater Tots, Mixed Vegetables, Pineapple-Orange Salad
TUESDAY-- Salisbury Steak w/Brown gravy, mashed potatoes, peas & carrots, Rolls, Pears
WEDNESDAY-- Chalupas, Salad, Corn, Pudding
THURSDAY-- Beef-Veg. Soup, Grilled Cheese, Crackers, Mixed Fruit
FRIDAY-- Hamburger, Lettuce, Tomato, Pickles, Fries, Rife Krispie Treat.

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FOR RENT- One 3 bd/1 bath house, one block west of School, Available Now! One 2 bd/1 bath, on block South of School on Main Street, Available Oct 1. Contact Mrs. Coppinger (915) 468-2810 27-1c

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LOST & FOUND

LOST-Small Brown and White Goat, school FFA Project (254) 725-7681 28-1p

LOST 8 WEEK OLD CALF- medium red, half Brahman, lost on Hwy 206 between Sabanno and Cross Plains Vet, (254) 725-4611 29-1p

DEADLINES

Ads
NOON on Tuesday

Articles
NOON on Monday

HELP WANTED

RISING STAR NURSING CENTER NEEDS MOTIVATED DEPENDABLE INDIVIDUALS- who enjoy working with the elderly. We will train and certify you as a nurses aid. Call (254) 643-2681. Ask for Katie or Sandra. 27-1c

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GARAGE SALES

YARD SALE- Friday October 12, Saturday 13, Sunday 14th at 301 South Ave A. - 8 a.m. - 6 p.m. Books, Glassware, Clothes, Fencing, Electric Hospital Bed, to much too list. 29-1p

YARD SALE- Nice lift chair recliner, baby clothes and accessories, teen and adult items all kinds, kitchen items, much more. Saturday and Sunday 8:00 - 4:00 6 blocks down N.E. 3rd Street or call (254) 725-7121 29-1c

GARAGE SALE- 708 East 1st, Thursday, Friday, and Saturday. Lots of women's, men's, and children's winter clothes, baby toys, and misc. 29-1p

PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary for the Estate of LYDA L. SHULTS, Deceased, were issued on August 8, 2001, in Docket No. 5375, pending in the County Court of Callahan County, Texas, to HOLLIS W. SHULTS.

The residence of the Independent Executor is in Callahan County, Texas and the post office address is:

c/o Scott A. Morelock
P.O. Drawer 398
Brownwood, Texas 76804

All persons having claims against this Estate which is currently being administered are required to present them within the time and in the manner prescribed by law.

DATED the 8th day of August, 2001.

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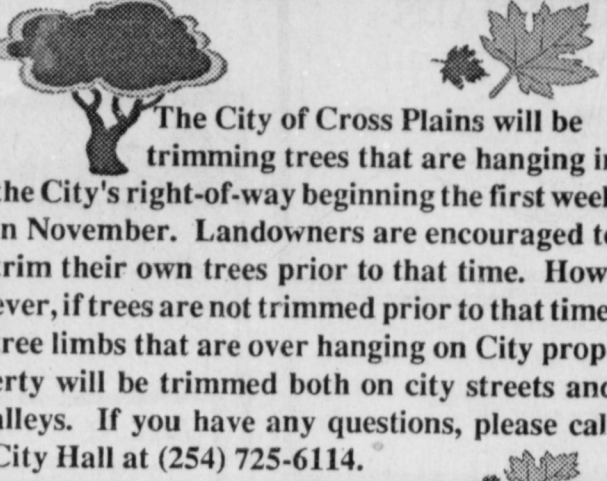
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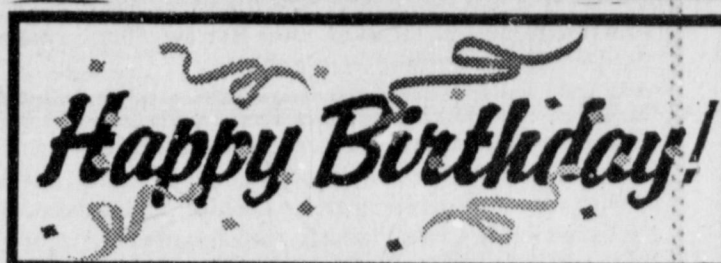
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- * 3bd/2 bath, large lot, fruit trees, Liveoaks, in Rising Star -- Call Pauline.
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COUNTY ROADS by Ginny Greene

Writing free...

Yelling is not a pretty picture, but it's what I was doing—yelling at MyKeeper. Something about him being mean and ugly to me, or taking me for granted. I forget.

Before the terrorist attack on New York City and The Pentagon - before the attention on the low station of women in the rogue Taliban - it had never occurred to me that the small freedoms of argument and opinion at your own hearth could take on such giant measurements. An outspoken Pakistani woman said in a television interview last week that women were not treated that way in her country or even in most of Afghanistan. She made it clear that oppression is an ugly animal.

Within the next hour (after yelling), I sat at the computer to write a "County Roads" column. I sat and sat, but no ideas rolled across my mind.

Fretting and frustrated at the keyboard, my mind drifted to a startling revelation I'd heard. Each year at the Thanksgiving Dinner Meeting of Abilene Writers Guild, author Nancy Robinson Masters leads us through this exercise: Take a piece of paper. Fold it in half as many times as you can. Unfold it. She explains that ONE of those rectangle folds represents all of the functionally literate - all

of the people who can read and write in any language of the world.

For us to be included in that number, she says, is something to be truly thankful for. She tells us writers are the Keepers Of The Gift. With the Gift comes an obligation. Writers must write.

Writers can use their Gift to write a letter, a poem, or a novel; to pen history or fantasy; for adults or children, but writers must write.

So I sat, frumped up in my chair and fuming, boiling away my mad and waiting for a cool muse to creep in.

MyKeeper poked his head around the door. "Still mad?" he asked. At my glance—no, make that glare—he said, "Guess so. Well, when will you be done?"

"I don't know," I said, "not until all my mad is used up."

I hate having to admit my bad mood won. No matter the effort I put into thinking, nothing came to me. Nothing.

Then I thought of a way out. It came in a flash of inspiration, from somewhere deep in my childhood upbringing - like the sudden clarity of a novel plot or the moral of a story. If I can't think of anything nice to say, I guess it's best to say nothing at all.

See you next week, when I'm in a better mood.

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GED Tests Must Be Completed This Year !!!!

Individuals who have completed part, but not all, of the General Educational Development (GED) tests must pass the five tests this year or start over.

Marilyn Flournoy, director of adult education for the Abilene school district, said new GED tests will be introduced nationally on January 1, 2002. The program will include all new tests and a new scoring system.

As a result, all tests previously taken and passed by students will be voided as of December 20 this year, she said.

The GED consists of five parts - writing, science, math, social studies and literature. Students may be tested on each part separately. When they pass all five portions of the test, they are awarded the GED diploma, considered the equivalent of a high school diploma.

"It would be a shame for someone to have passed three or four of the five sections of the GED and be that close to getting their diploma, and then have to start over," Flournoy said. "But that's what will happen to those who don't pass all of the GED by the end of this year."

School officials are trying to get the word to everyone throughout the area who has passed a portion of the test that they must complete the test this fall.

"Even if someone passed part of the test 10 years ago, or even 20 years ago or more, those scores are still valid," Flournoy said. "But they won't be after December 20."

The adult education center provides GED review classes and administers the tests.

"If you need to complete your GED," Flournoy said, "call the GED testing center at (915) 671-4419, and do it now. Don't get caught in the change."

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CALLAHAN COUNTY REPUBLIC WOMEN GATHER SEPTEMBER 18, 2001 AT THE HOME OF SANDY HANNER

Callahan County Republican Women club now has 26 active members

At a September 18, 2001 meeting, held at the home of Sandy Hanner, the Callahan County Republican Women reviewed the goals set for the club for this year. The goal of increasing membership to 25 members was reached and exceeded this year. The club now stands at 26 active members in good standing. Members present at the meeting were: Jamie Belz, Pat Chrane, Jan Greenhaw, Helen Groves, Sandy Hanner, Nicki Harle, Evelyn Hughes, Betty Johnston, Linda Kendrick, Elizabeth Longbotham, Linda Miller, Liz Mullican, Ginny Roden, Jackie Sweeten and Nelda Wallace. Welcome guests included Jodie Angel and Dixie

Welch. One member of the club, Pat Chrane, has been named the temporary Republican County Chairman and is looking forward to running for that office in the next election.

Plans were made to participate in the Pecan Festival parade on October 6th in Clyde. Mike and Sandy Hanner volunteered vehicles for the club to ride in. Several of the ladies plan on participating in this community event.

Nicki Harle reported on information regarding the TFRW Convention to be held in Waco, Texas this year, on November 9-11th. The club has reached a status that qualifies them to send three voting delegates and three alternates. Interested per-

sons need to contact Nicki as soon as possible for more information.

Pat Chrane reminded the group that there will be an amendment election on November 6, 2001 and that filing begins for all public offices on December 3, 2001. Volunteers are needed to work this election, as well as the March 2002 election. Everyone is encouraged to vote on November 6th.

The next scheduled meeting will be held on December 8, 2001 at 10:00 a.m., in the home of Jamie Belz. If you are interested in becoming a part of this group or would like to attend a meeting to find out more about them, please call Nicki Harle, the club President, at 915/893-5500.

Cross Plains Roping Club Met/New Officers Elected

The Cross Plains Roping Club held their monthly meeting Oct. 1, 2001 at the Rodeo Arena. They meet the first Monday of every month. Membership is \$25 per family for a year.

There was a good turnout for both trailride and dance the Roping Club held in September. Those going on the trailride enjoyed a hot Bar-B-Que lunch at the half way point of the ride.

New officers were elected on

Monday night. They include: Jim Hargrove, President; John Eppard, Vice President; Bud Dillard, Treasure; Emily Crockett, Secretary.

The Roping Club would like to start having playdays on Saturday's if their is enough interest. If you are interested please let one of the officers know, so they can get something going.

The next meeting will be November 5, at the Rodeo arena.

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County Commissioners Meet Blalock Resigns as Constable

Callahan County Commissioners accepted a letter of resignation from Clyde Constable David Blalock during the Commissioners' Court meeting held Tuesday, October 9.

Blalock, who resides at 9069 FM 604 South in Clyde, said the resignation letter, dated September 24, 2001, becomes effective immediately.

Blalock, Constable for Callahan County Precinct #1, told Commissioners in his letter, his resignation was prompted by personal medical conditions. "Also I am increasingly responsible to other personal interest that are making demands on my time," Blalock said in his letter of resignation.

"I am amiable toward all with whom I have served in the past nine years. For the most part my relationship with the Commissioners' Court, Sheriff and with other County Officials has been cordial," Blalock said.

"So thank you all for nine good years and please accept my resignation as a token marking my advancement into another phase of my career," Blalock concluded.

Other agenda items brought before the Commissioners' Court included:

—Commissioners voted to approve the month of October 2001 as Breast Cancer Awareness Month and October 10, 2001 as Callahan County Breast Cancer Awareness Day. The proclamation follows:

Proclamation
An estimated 11,500 Texas women will be diagnosed with breast cancer in 2001, and about 2,600 women will die with the disease. Nationally, breast cancer is the most common form of cancer in women.

Research shows that breast cancer mortality could be reduced by at least 30 percent if women followed recommended breast cancer screening guidelines.

All women have a chance of developing breast cancer.

Women 50 or older are the most likely to develop breast cancer. African American women are the most likely to die of breast cancer than any other group of women. Getting a mammogram and breast exam only once is not enough. The American Cancer Society recommends that women get a mammogram and clinical breast examination every year beginning at age 40.

A woman has the greatest chance of successful treatment if breast cancer is found at an early stage. Early detection practices are part of a good breast health routine. A good breast health routine includes a yearly mammogram, clinical breast examination and monthly breast self-examination.

Further, Medicare helps pay the cost of a yearly mammogram for women 40 or older with Medicare Part B.

In recognition of the important lifesaving early detection practices available for breast cancer, I, Roger Corn, County Judge of Callahan County and the County Commissioners of Callahan County, do hereby proclaim October 2001 as Breast Cancer Awareness Month and October 10th Callahan County Breast Cancer Awareness Day. We urge all Callahan County women to become aware that they are at risk, to discuss a screening program with their health care providers. We urge all other Callahan County citizens to encourage a woman they love to do so.

—Commissioners voted to approve plat presented by Butch Nelson of the W.H. Varner tracts in BBB&CRR Survey 93. The plat is located in the Mount Airy area, south of FM 18 between Clyde and Baird.

—Commissioners voted to nominate Bruce Williams as Callahan County's representative to the Appraisal District Board of Directors.

—Commissioners voted to pay all approved bills.

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