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# Cross Plains Review

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## DOWN HOME

**EDITOR'S NOTE:** Dwayne Lee sent me the following letter and I felt it worthy of printing. I have been communicating with him for several months and he has sent me some songs he had written that I plan to us at various holidays. You will relate to his feelings. **Vanda Anderson Creech**

### "Heartfelt Sorrow"

I feel everyone lost a little something in the terrorist attacks that took place on September 11th. Some of us more than others, though. I know I lost a dear friend who I had the honor of meeting about a year and a half ago. Her name was Sandra Conaty and she was truly "one of a kind." Even though she didn't have to, Sandy went out of her way to help me understand the often mystifying language of poetry. Before I had met her, I knew I held a God-given talent, but I didn't know how to use it to my fullest ability. She showed me how to write with my heart and not my brain--just put the pen to the paper and let it go.

I am very grateful for all that Sandy did for me, and the Lord knows I will never forget her.

The following is a poem I wrote for Sandy, and all the others that died (victims and terrorist alike). This poem comes from an actual prayer I prayed right after the attack took place. And even if only one person is allowed to enter Heaven for this prayer, it's still worth it because I will have the personal satisfaction of knowing I finally did something right. Maybe this would take me a step or two closer to being half the man my dad, Lawrence Lee, was.

### "My Prayer"

Lord, I know there's no reason you should, but if You have a spot in Heaven reserved for me, Please take that spot and give it to All those people who died that September tragedy.

Sir, I may not know what I'm doing, but in my heart it feels like I'm doing the right thing. So please grant this prayer that I'm praying. And let all reap from that which this prayer may bring.

## Pioneer Quilt Show, Art Show and Country Store Saturday, October 20th

Come out to the Pioneer Community Center on Saturday, October 20, from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. You will enjoy looking at the quilts and the art on display. They will be having "People's Choice" in both categories. There will be a door prize given each hour.

The Quilting ladies will also have a "Country Store." There will be lots of goodies to choose from.

Remember, if you have quilts to display, please have them at the

community center Saturday, October 20, between 8 a.m. and 10 a.m. Pick up time will be 5 to 6 p.m.

Also, any craft vendors wishing to show and sell their goods are welcome to set up outside the community center. Pioneer Community Center is located between Rising Star and Cross Plains. Turn on FM 569 and go about 1 mile north. See all you folks there!!!!

## 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

## Annelore Rasco to Teach at Living Water Ministries

Annelore Rasco from Light of Zion Ministries in Israel will be at Living Water Ministries in Cross Plains the week of October 24-27. She will be teaching on the Rapture Of The Church and The Three Fold Remnant of Israel In The Tabernacle, among other things.

Annelore is an end-time prophet from Israel who has been sent by God to the United States every year for the past ten years. She has been coming here to teach the Church from the Jewish perspective. She is anointed to release the

true Word of the LORD for enlightenment, encouragement and direction to the Body of Christ for this hour.

Annelore has dedicated her life to the studying of the Scriptures. She has ministered to the family of God in Cross Plains at Living Water Ministries. I believe she is a voice that needs to be heard in America.

Please contact me at (254) 725-6800 with any questions you may have.

Submitted by Colleen Anderson



**TASTE OF TEXAS LENDS BEAUTY TO CITY**— Donald Strength's business is decorated in fall mums and pumpkins that he displays daily. Drive by and see for yourself.

## Cottonwood Musical and Turkey Meal

The Cottonwood Quilting Club ladies will be hosting their Turkey Supper this Friday, October 19, at the Cottonwood Community Center. Serving will begin at 5:30 p.m. Adult plates will be \$6.00 and children's plates (10 and under) are \$3.00.

The regular musical will commence at 6:00 p.m. with Mary E. Weaver as emcee.

Everyone is invited to come out and enjoy a great meal and entertainment. There is no admission fee.

## Volunteers Still Needed for Helping Hearts and Hands This Saturday

Helping Hearts and Hands, a project of Cross Plains Area Housing Initiative, set their annual workday for Saturday, October 20. Seven homeowners have applied for assistance and volunteers are still needed to accomplish the task.

Bryan Bennett, chairman of committee, reported there were 80 volunteers last year and would like to see even more this year.

A hot breakfast consisting of bacon, sausage, eggs, biscuits and all the trimmings will be served beginning at 7:30 a.m. at the Church of Christ Activity Center on Highway 36 again this year

and lunch of "make your own" sandwiches will be served as well.

All volunteers will receive a free t-shirt and need to meet at the Activity Center to receive their assignments for the day. You may form your own work teams if you like. Key Club and National Honor Society students are reminded to bring their paint brushes and rollers.

This is a worthy project that leaves you feeling rewarded for your efforts. Come join the team. For further information call Bryan Bennett at 725-6459, Bob Pipes at 725-6117, or Mary Graves at 725-6418 or 725-6563.

## "Learn About" Program Offered at C.P. Library

It's that time again! The "Learn About" Program at the Cross Plains Public Library will begin Wednesday, November 7th, at 10 a.m.

This program is open to children ages 3 by September 1, 2001, up through age 5, who are not enrolled in a preschool program.

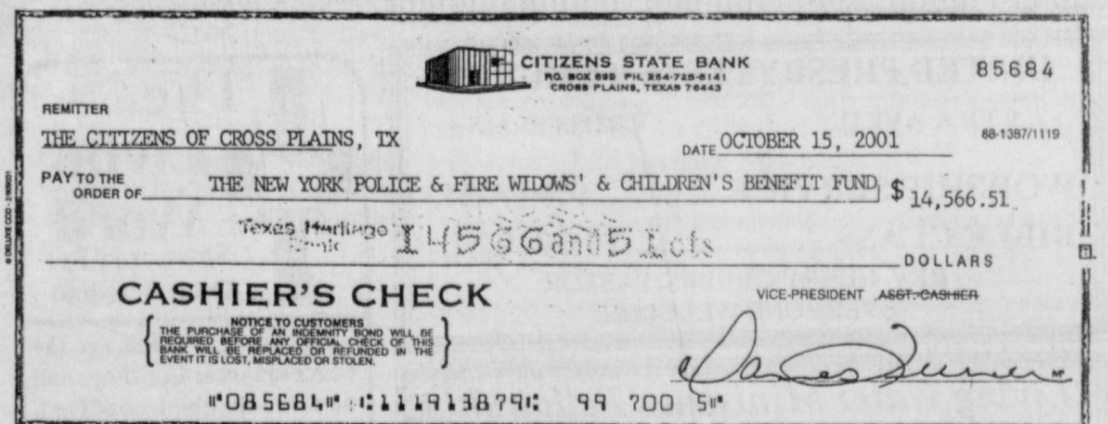
The children participate in a fun 45 minutes of activities, stories, refreshments, and checking out books from the library.

Registration is now underway at the library and will end Friday, November 2nd.



**PREPARING THE CHECK FOR MAILING**— Vicki Dillard, Fund Raiser Chairperson (left), is accepting the cashier's check from Recie Tatom, teller at Texas Heritage Bank.

## THE CHECK IS IN THE MAIL



A cashier's check in the amount of \$14,566.51 was mailed to the New York Police and Firemen Widows' and Children's Benefit along with the following letter:

On September 29, 2001, our small town of 1000 people rallied together to raise this money for our fellow Americans in New York to assist in aiding the families involved in the "Attack on America". We are so humbled by the valiant efforts and successes of the New York Police and Firemen. Although many were

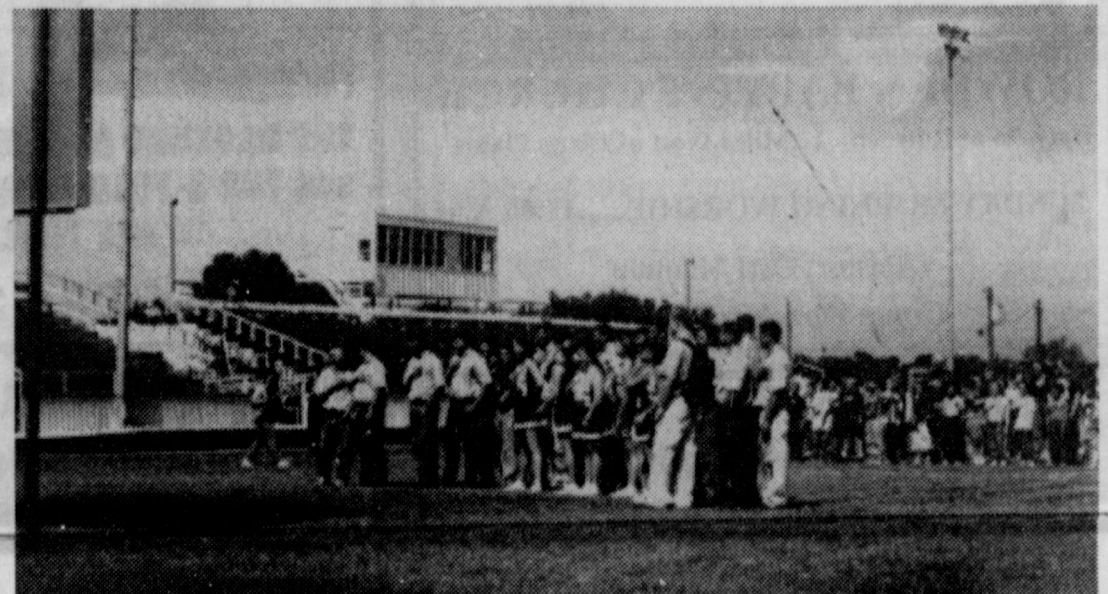
lost...they were not lost in vain-- WE WILL "ALWAYS REMEMBER" and WE WILL "NEVER FORGET".

We as a community are so honored to present this check to the Widows and Children. We love you like family, because in God's eyes we are all ONE family. Please know that even though we are thousands of miles from New York --that you are in our thoughts and prayers every day. WE ARE ALL NEW YORKERS!

With Sincere Love and Gratitude, The Citizens of Cross Plains, Texas

Fund Raiser Chairperson  
 Vicki Dillard  
 P.O. Box 718  
 Cross Plains, Tx. 76443

The Fund Raiser Committee would like to thank you for your help in caring for and remembering those families who have made such sacrifice for all New Yorkers.



**CROSS PLAINS I.S.D. STUDENTS PARTICIPATED IN THE NATIONWIDE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG LAST FRIDAY, OCTOBER 12, AT 1:00 P.M.**

**Texas Heritage Bank**  
 "We're Proud of Our Local Heritage"  
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**Presents:**  
 "What's Inside"

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**Buffaloes Vs. Gorman**  
 Friday 19th @ Home  
 7:30 p.m. Kickoff

**J. H. Buffaloes Vs. Santa Anna**  
 Thur. 18th, @ There 6:00p.m.  
 NO J.V. Game This Week



## COURTHOUSE NEWS

COUNTY COURT  
Roger Corn, presiding

### Misdemeanor Filings

Kenneth M. Engle, criminal trespass.  
Mark E. Cole, criminal trespass.  
Luis F. Ramos, criminal trespass.  
Christopher T. Weaver, criminal trespass.  
Joseph McLean, possession of marijuana.  
Gregory Deel Holland, driving while intoxicated (DWI).  
Luther Casselberry, disorderly conduct.

### Misdemeanor Minutes

Vickey Reed, order extending probation granted.  
Joseph McLean, plea of guilty to possession of marijuana, 10 days in jail, \$100 fine, \$217.25 court costs.  
Luther C. Casselberry, plea of guilty to disorderly conduct, 30 days in jail, \$200 fine, \$217.25 court costs.  
Eddie Carson, order revoking probation granted.

### Marriage Licenses

Charles Lewis Lockaby and Darla Sue Patterson, both of Clyde.

### 42nd DISTRICT COURT John Weicks, presiding

### Civil Filings

David Mrotek vs. Kepha Hawkins, Kenath Hawkins and Carlos Colin, original petition for partition of real property and for damages.  
Michael Don Williams and Kimberly Jene Williams, divorce.

### Civil Minutes

Charles R. Atkinson and Martha Atkinson vs. Sam Fleming and Eva B. Fleming, order to dismiss without prejudice granted.

### Criminal Information & Complaints

James Salway, possession of anhydrous ammonia.  
Johnny C. Wooten, hindering apprehension.  
Jennifer L. Burns, possession of anhydrous ammonia.

### Criminal Minutes

Cody D. Johnson, motion to dismiss motion to revoke probation granted.  
William Lee Bacon, order discharging defendant from probation granted.

### Colonial Oaks Services

First Baptist Church will conduct worship services at Colonial Oaks Nursing Home on Sunday, October 21, commencing at 3:30 p.m.

## OBITUARIES

### A. Floyd Jackson

Mr. A. Floyd Jackson, 78, of May, passed away Tuesday, October 9, 2001, in Brownwood Regional Medical Center.  
Funeral services were held at 2 p.m. on Thursday in May Baptist Church with Dennis Hester and Don Longoria officiating. Burial was in the Wolf Valley Cemetery, directed by Higginbotham Funeral Home.

Mr. Jackson was born September 3, 1923, in Hamilton. He married Allyne Hardy December 11, 1943, in Brownwood. Mr. Jackson served in the U.S. Army during WWII. He was employed as a mechanic prior to his retirement in 1984. When he and his wife moved to May, Jackson joined the May Volunteer Fire Department and the First Baptist Church.

Survivors include his wife; four sons, Jim and wife Sue Jackson, Don and wife Margaret Jackson, Glynn and wife Cynthia Jackson, all of May and Robert and wife Sherry Jackson of Abilene; four daughters, Barbara Ostermaier and husband Bob of Enid, Oklahoma, Brenda Jackson of Brownwood, Jackie Jackson of May, and Mary Cooper and husband Gary of Odessa; four brothers, Austin and wife Lillian Jackson of Cross Plains, Horace and wife Marian Jackson of Virginia, George and wife Wink Jackson of Abilene and Frank and wife Dana Jackson of Michigan; 15 grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents and three brothers, Mark, Andrew and Charlie Jackson.

### Dick Dillard

Mr. Dick Dillard, 84, of Cross Plains, passed away Friday, October 12, 2001, in the Hendrick Medical Center in Abilene.

Services were held at 2 p.m. Sunday, October 14, 2001, at the Higginbotham Chapel with Burlie Taylor officiating. Burial was in the Cross Plains Cemetery with Higginbotham Funeral Home of Cross Plains in charge of arrangements.

Mr. Dillard was born September 22, 1917, in Perrin, Texas to John Wesley Dillard and Sarah Ella (Holmes) Dillard. He married Mickie (Proctor) Dillard in Pioneer, Texas on July 3, 1938.

Survivors include his wife, Mickie Dillard of Cross Plains; one sister, Elouise Bullion of Kingsville; and a host nieces and nephews.  
He was preceded in death by his parents, as well as five brothers Lonnie, Boyd, Neal, John and Billy Dillard, and two sisters, Bertha Hoyt and Mildred Corley. Pallbearers were Donnie Dillard, Jr., Joseph Dillard, Sam Nixon, Randy Dillard, Buddy Dillard, Charlie Grider, Kevin Wilson and Dean Dillard.

### Blackwood Gospel Quartet Will Perform Locally

The Blackwood Gospel Quartet will be performing at the First United Methodist Church on Sunday, October 28, at the morning worship service beginning at 10:45 p.m.

In 1934 in the hills of Mississippi, the original Blackwood Brothers Quartet was formed with Roy, Doyle, James and Roy's oldest son, R.W. Blackwood. They sang in churches, on radio, and in the schoolhouses all around their home state. Their dedication and effort to spread the gospel in song has left a great heritage and blessed the lives of many people. Since that early formation, the group has won countless awards, sung thousands of concerts and appeared on my television shows. Their recordings have been played on radios all across the world.

Currently the Blackwood Gospel Quartet consists of Jerry Blackwood, lead singer; Jerry Thompson, tenor; Andy Childs; and Dean Haskins, bass singer.

Mark Blackwood has won two Grammy awards for the recordings he produced for the Blackwood Brothers. To be a part of the work his grandfather, Roy, and his uncle, Doyle, James and R.W., started is a fulfillment of his lifelong dream.  
FUMC invites you to join them and enjoy this great group.

### 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.

## CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

October 2, 2001

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

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

Ray Purvis, Mayor, gave the monthly police report. He reported eighty-three calls for service, two criminal mischief's, one prowler call, assisted Sheriff's Office with one mental patient, two disorderly conduct cases, one threatening threat, one theft, two burglaries, one accident and one runaway. Forty-one warnings and sixty-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 sixty-one citations for the City, with twenty-three remaining outstanding, and twelve reminder letters being sent. He also reported that eleven remain outstanding for August, eight remain outstanding for July and ten for June. By general consent the council approved the report as presented.

Dannes Turner, acting on behalf of the EDC, met with the council to discuss the proposal from Brian Bennett, owner of B.E.S.T. (Bennett Electronic Security Team). She informed the council that the Economic Development Board met on September 24, 2001, to discuss the current proposals. Other proposals are being worked on at the present time, however, the EDC Board recommends to the council to allow Bennett Electronics' a loan/grant in the amount of \$8,000.00 to become a full grant at the end of 36 months if Mr. Bennett is able to meet the criteria set out in the guidelines. Joe Ingram moved to approve the proposal as recommended. Edwin Weiss seconded and motion carried.

Sandra Jones, representative for the Chamber of Commerce, met with the council to discuss the Christmas lights located on the downtown buildings. She informed the council that the lights have been up numerous years and WTU has donated the electricity. However, with all the changes happening with WTU, they will no longer donate the electricity and other means must be found to continue to have the lights. Discussion was held at length to come up with some way to keep the lights. The council instructed Debbie to send a letter to the downtown businesses and discuss the problems being faced and see

if they are interested in helping defray the cost of the lights in order to contact WTU to get an estimate on the cost of the electricity. Also discussed was the need to hire someone each year to maintain the lights. Debbie is to contact a couple of the local electricians to get a bid on that project as well.

Marvin Mosley met with the council representing the Housing Authority. He asked the council to consider helping the Housing Authority construct a retaining wall between the Fire Department and the Housing Authority. The council asked Mr. Mosley if they have received an estimate for the cost of the project. The matter was tabled until the regular meeting until the council has time to review the situation and the Housing Authority has time to get an estimate.

Mark Norris informed the council that to replace the deck on the old riding lawn mower would be \$850.00. He also informed the council that the cost on a new riding mower, with trade-in of the old one would, be \$1,149.00. Edwin Weiss moved to purchase the mower and trade in the old mower, a mend the budget in the stated amount and pay for the mower out of the General Fund. Motion carried.

The council discussed tree trimming for the streets and alleys. Mark informed the council that Eddie McCarty has a bucket truck and a chipper for sale. The matter was tabled until the next regular meeting and the council instructed Mark to find out what Mr. McCarty wants for both the truck and the chipper.

Debbie Gosnell read a letter from several community members concerning the condition of the Senior Citizens Center after the fund-raising project held on Saturday, September 29, 2001. The letter was addressed to the council and reassured them that when the fund-raising project was completed on Saturday night, approximately 30 people stayed to help clean up the center. They assured the council that the center was left better than found, and would not have left it in disarray after the city was gracious enough to allow citizens to use it for such a worthy cause.

James Nichols moved to pay the bills. Joe Ingram seconded and motion carried.

Edwin Weiss moved to adjourn. James Nichols seconded and motion carried.

Ray Purvis, Mayor

ATTEST:  
Debbie Gosnell, Secretary

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

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

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

Wednesday Study & Prayer Time.....7:00 P.M.

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

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

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

Bill Armstrong - Pastor



The  
Living  
Word  
Sponsored By:  
Dean Brannan

Matthew 5:9 Bless are the peace makers; For they shall be called the children of God.

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### ANNELORE RASCO FROM ISRAEL of LIGHT OF ZION MINISTRIES



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THE RAPTURE OF THE CHURCH  
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### BLACKWOOD BROTHERS

Coming October 28, 2001

Morning Worship Service

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Van Service Available - Call (254) 725-7694

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Cross Plains, Texas

Sunday School - 9:30 a.m.

Worship - 10:45 a.m.

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"Standing In The Need Of Prayer"

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11:00 a.m. Worship Service

"Blessed Assurance"

6:00 p.m. Evening Worship

Memorial Lord's Supper Observance

"Victory In Jesus"

Jimmie Mize - Interim Pastor

Kevin & Kim Cassidy - Youth Frank O'Banion - Music

Welcome!



## COLONIAL OAKS NURSING HOME NEWS

BY LINDA MERRITT

Plan and preparation are underway for our Octoberfest party coming up the 25th. Everyone seems excited and looking forward to taking part in the different events of cake walk, dart throw, penny toss and last but not least bingo games. Cupcakes, fruit, and prizes for all.

Frances Wolf is back with us filling in until a new Administrator can be gotten. Do come by and help welcome her back.

Special appreciation to Dorothy Tuttle for the nice picnic table, to Anne and Tommy Rone for the tray of fruit and candy, to Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Hutchins for the donuts and to Alton McCowen for the peaches.

Rozell Gary reports that she enjoyed an evening out with her daughter Julene Franke and family for a fish fry. She said she ate fish till she could not eat anymore.

Sandy Clevinger from Lago Vista and Alice Lackhart from Austin visited with Myrtle Owen.

Evelyn and Emily Harris visited with Frank Bartek.

Robert Harris from Coleman visited with Roy Gardner.

Dwaine Clowers from Pioneer visited with Falba Shofner.

Bob McCowen, Alton and Joan McCowen visited with Donie McCowen.

Laquetta Rankin from Pioneer visited with Pauline Regian, Jo Boatright and Falba Shofner.

Sharene, Taylor, and Bailey Deshmuleh from Stephenville, Lurene McNutt and Brenton, Shanna and Samuel Guerrero visited with Louise Richardson.

Glenda Lasters from Arlington visited with Lorene Jennings and Zelda Milam.

Cecil and Naoma Wilson visited with Delilia Goble.

Darlene Meador from Coleman visited with Falba Shofner and Pauline Regian.

### Activities

**Monday:** Bingo Winners were: Jessie Casey, Clifford King, Vera Belyeau and Donie McCowen. Exercise

**Tuesday:** Art Class, Singing with Dorothy Reynolds

**Wednesday:** Sing-A-Long with Bob Wallace and Dean Brannan Exercise class, Dominoes.

**Thursday:** Manicures, Ball Toss

**Friday:** Bingo Winners were: Clifford King(2), Vera Belyeau, Donie McCowen, Eric Keiler, Jessie Casey, Dominoes and popcorn.

**Sunday:** First Baptist Church

**Service does not come from a manual.....it comes from the heart.**

## COTTONWOOD NEWS

BY WALLACE BENNETT

### Reunion at Cottonwood Draws Former Residents From Far Away Places

Former Cottonwood residents from as far away as San Antonio, Denver City, and the Dallas/Ft. Worth Metroplex area returned home last Saturday for a reunion and renewal of their Cottonwood spirit.

"This is great fun," remarked one former resident who came in the door and started a round of hugs, back-slapping and laughter as she greeted each of those who had arrived earlier. That round of good tidings and mirth had hardly died down when a new visitor came in the door and started another round that reverberated through the Cottonwood Community Center. "Everyone seemed to have a great time," remarked Ethel Champion.

Among those who attended from the local were Ethel Champion, Wallace Bennett, Mr. and Mrs. H.T. Peevy, Mrs. Lucille Bush and Gene Bush, Leo Thompson, Mary Weaver, Billie Kelly, Nadine Nickerson, Maurine and Gloria Strahan, Herman Weaver, Ethel Simpson, and Wanda Hammel.

From far-away-places came Robert Lee and Lillian Ray Champion of Denver City, Grady and Dorothy (Thompson) Ramey of San Antonio, Bob and Nelda (Thompson) Baker of Ft. Worth, Carie Ferrel Green and Dixie Shore from Brady, Iris McKay from Angleton, David Jennings of Danbury, and Richard Purvis of Abilene.

According to Ethel Champion, the annual reunion was started in 1994. The group that assembled last Saturday voted to hold their next reunion in the fall of 2003 when the Cross Plains Schools hold their reunion.

### Will Thanksgiving Turkey, Dressing, Sweet Potatoes, and Apple Pie Mix with C/W Music

To our joy, we learned last July that Country Western music mixes well with homemade vanilla ice cream. But will C/W music mix well with a home cooked and well baked Thanksgiving Turkey with all the trimmings?

Let's all find out this Friday night when the Cottonwood Quilting Club serves the traditional turkey dinner as they sponsor the October venue of the Cottonwood Musical.

Food starts at 5:30 p.m. music starts at 6:00 p.m. at the Cottonwood Community Center.

### Other Cottonwood Connections

Stay tuned to this column where you will learn when and why three separate graveside services were held for the same person in the old Cottonwood Cemetery. It will be one of those legendary but plausible historical events about Cottonwood you can tell to your grandchildren.

(Please report all news and personal events to Wallace Bennett, 254/725-7474.)

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### QUIPS, CLIPS & COMMENTS

BY KAY MOSLEY

We are into October now, remember to prepare a place indoors for those potted plants. Gotta bring them in before that first freeze.

### "We Had One"

This is going to date me, I guess or tell my age; but anyway --here goes! When I was a little girl I lived in Cross Plains until I was about 10 and my sister was 8. This was during and after World War II. A lot of conveniences that we have all taken for granted for the past 50 years or so, either were not available back then or they were so early on the market that only the very wealthy had them.

Lots of folks didn't have plumbing, they just ran the water from the kitchen sink out into the yard. Some had cess pools that were open and not at all pretty and certainly not at all scintillating or

even sanitary.

Quite a few residents had chickens, cows, horses, donkeys, goats and the like in their yards. A few people had automobiles, lots and lots of folks walked wherever they wanted or needed to go. However, quite a few still traveled by horse drawn wagons or on horseback.

We didn't have indoor plumbing, nor did any of our relatives here at that time, and just a scattering of townspeople had it. What most people were privileged to have at that point in time, and still seemed a convenience, was an outhouse. We had one and we were proud of it. The door fastened with a buckle and we had designer toilet paper, torn right out of Mama's latest discarded Sear and Roebuck and Montgomery Wards catalogues. Who could wish for anything more at that point in time..... Yep, we had one!

## Kick Off "Healthy Lung Month" with a Flu Shot

AUSTIN—October may bring a welcome relief to summer's high temperatures, but it may also bring the unwanted flu bug. With the start of flu season, the American Lung Association has designed October as "Healthy Lung Month," and is encouraging Texans to get their flu shots.

Influenza is a potentially life-threatening, contagious lung disease that can be prevented with an annual vaccination. Together, influenza and pneumonia, which is most common complication of influenza, are the fourth leading cause of death among American women, and the fifth leading cause of death among all Americans over the age of 65.

"Everyone, particularly those with respiratory problems, should have a standing appointment with their doctor each year to get vaccinated," said Robin Anderson, RN, director of Medical Affairs of the American Lung Association of Texas. "And getting the flu shot during 'Healthy Lung Month' in October is an excellent way to celebrate and maintain good lung health."

The American Lung Association of Texas encourages everyone to get vaccinated between October 1 and December 31. For more information, contact the American Lung Association of Texas at 1-800-LUNG-USA or visit [www.texaslung.org](http://www.texaslung.org).

## Albuterol Products Available --If Qualified

October 2001—The Home Rx Program makes available breathing medications and nebulizers to patients who may have **ASTHMA, EMPHYSEMA, or COPD** at no cost to the recipient, if they qualify.

The Albuterol Products are provided to those who are troubled with severe breathing conditions, and who meet the additional guidelines of the program. No deposit is required and you never

have to wait in line at the pharmacy.

If you are an oxygen user at home or have severe problems with breathing, please call for more information to see if you qualify.

Please call 1-800-344-5764 or visit our web site at [www.inhomerx.com](http://www.inhomerx.com) for more information on the details of this program.

## SENIOR CITIZENS MENU

October 22- October 26

**MONDAY--** Pepper Steak w/ Gravy, Rice, Green Beans, Cake, Bread

**TUESDAY -** Tuna Salad, Vegetable Soup, Fruit, Chocolate Cake, Crackers

**WEDNESDAY--** Chili w/Beans, Pears w/Cottage Cheese, Onions,

Cookie, Mexican Cornbread

**THURSDAY--**Sausage, macaroni Salad, Ranch Style Beans, Cinnamon Applesauce, Sugar Cookie, Bread

**FRIDAY--**Chicken Pot Pie, Salad, Broccoli w/Cheese, Fruit, Roll

## LIBRARY NOTES

Well! It's getting close to LAP time. That's "Learn About..." Program. We also say "From your lap to our LAP," and it's been happening for about 18 years. We encourage you to register your children who are 3 or over before September 1 and are not in public school. Your kids will love it and you will, too. More next week.

### Statistics:

Books	62
Audio	2
Total	64

### Memorials:

Charles and Lou Rodenberger for Leonard Bryant and Helen Freeman

Judy Luter for Pauline Warren

**In Honor Of:** Jack Scott by Charles and Lou Rodenberger

### Books:

Kathleen Terstegge  
Linda Ingram

Linda and Laticia Chandler in  
Memory of Minnie Swan

### Maps:

Albert Hughes

## GARDEN CLUB NEWS

The Cross Plains Garden Club met October 12, at 2 p.m. at the Multi-Purpose Center for their regular monthly meeting.

Bob Powell presided and led the Conservation Pledge.

Mary Ella Weaver, program chairman, introduced the program, "Putting Your Garden to Bed for the Winter" that was presented by Barbara Powell. She spoke about bulbs, geraniums, new beds and planting trees and shrubs. She said think color--red and yellow. Container grown shrubs can be planted at any season, BUT, to be safe, it would be best to plant all shrubs in the fall--that is October.

Eva Fleming, flower show chairman, stated the dates for the next flower show which will be April 20-21, 2002 at the Senior Citizens' Center, Main Street.

Bob Powell conducted the door prize drawing that consisted of a butterfly plant ornament. Julene Franke was the winner.

**SHOW AND TELL:** Eva Fleming displayed pictures belonging to Jean Vaughn. She had grown a pineapple plant that had

produced a pineapple after four years. The pictures showed the stages of growth. Now it's ready to harvest and eat--very interesting.

Joyce Odom displayed a number of species of wild flowers that grew around her yard. Two of these, Mexican hat and milfoil (wild fern), do not usually flower in the fall. They were exhibited in all sizes of glass milk bottles, a part of her bottle collection.

Verna Mathews was welcomed into the membership.

Hosts Eva Fleming and Mary Ella Weaver, served delicious refreshments from a table decorated in a fall motif, with orange pyracantha circling a basket holding fall flowers.

Members present were: Bob and Barbara Powell, Marvin and Kay Mosley, Audrey Lovett, Julene Franke, Wanda Hammel, Verna Mathew, Mary Ella Weaver, Eva Fleming and Joyce Odom.

At the conclusion, members loaded Joe Howser's vehicle with the recyclable items (paper, plastic, tin) they had brought. This is our new project.

The next meeting will be Friday, November 16, at 2 p.m. at the Multi-Purpose Center.

Submitted by Joyce Odom Reporter

## FOOD PANTRY

### New Winter Hours

Beginning Nov. 1st

The Food Pantry will be open only on

Thursday afternoons

from 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.

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Thank You,

Betty Edwards

## BREAKTHRU

By Bob Pipes  
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In my last week's "BREAKTHRU," several words were inadvertently left out which kept the message from being clear. After the quote from Romans 13:3- "Do you want to be unafraid of the authority? (Then) do what is good, and you will have praise from the same"- a new paragraph should have begun accordingly: "It is a shame that Osama bin Laden and his regime are not 'on the same page' of instructions - not even in the right book!"

It's so easy to make a mistake, isn't it? The person who says they don't make them, as someone once said, "will probably lie about other things, also!" So the difficulty is in admitting them.

Sin is the same way. It is so easy to sin - if one doesn't stay on guard. The difficulty is in admitting them. But God promises forgiveness if we're "big enough" and honest enough to confess them. Sins are initially forgiven upon ones repentance, confession of faith in Christ, and being baptized, Acts 2:38; 8:37 -the cleansing of sins actually coming from being washed away by Jesus' blood, Revelation 1:5. Subsequent sins of a Christian are forgiven by walking "in the light as He (Christ) is in the light" - again, by "the blood of Jesus," I John 1:7. But even then, there must be the willingness to confess the sins, verse 9.

One of the reasons why Jesus said that "unless you are converted and become as little children, you will by no means enter the kingdom of heaven," Matthew 18:3, is because the general nature of children is that they are so honest and forthright. It is so much easier for them to say, "I'm sorry," or "I was wrong," or "I have sinned."

Next week, Lord willing, I will share with you a true story- an example of "out of the mouths of babes..." In the meantime, let us be "as little children" in regard to our willingness to admit mistakes and sins, in order to make things right and being forgiven.

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.  
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Maternal great-grandparents are Emily L. Hall of Treasure Island, FL, and Beatrice Williams of Florida.

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# C.P. STUDENT REVIEW



BUFFALOES STAMPEDE THE RUN-THROUGH SIGN

## Buffaloes Win District Opener

By KEVIN CASSIDY

The Buffaloes traveled to Santa Anna for the district opener. The Buffs came out strong scoring on their first two drives of the game. The first score came at the 8:26 mark of the quarter when Tony Beggs scored from 7 yards out. Beggs' extra point was successful. The Moutaineers then scored on a 1-yard run, with a missed extra point. This brought the score to Cross Plains 7 Santa Anna 6.

The Buffs then found the end zone on the last play of the quarter. Tim Butler found Joseph Dillard for the 64-yard touchdown pass. The kick failed. After one quarter of play, the Buffs led 13-6. The Buffs would score two more times in the 2nd quarter. With 5:53 left in the half, Beggs scored on a 11-yard run. Butler then found Beggs in the left flat for the two-point conversion. This brought the score to 21-6, Buffalo lead. Just before the half,

Butler threw for his second touchdown of the night. He connected with Beggs for the 20-yard pass. Beggs' extra point was good. This scoring brought the Buffs to half leading 28-6. The game was called at half due to lightning and thunderstorms in the area.

Offensively the Buffs had a total of 256 yards, with 10 first downs. Defensively the Buffs held the Moutaineers to only 7 first downs on 12 yards passing and 93 yards rushing. The Buffs also created one turnover, on an interception by Josh Hopkins. By only playing one half last week the Buffs still put up good numbers offensively and defensively. They will be at home against the Gorman Panthers this Friday night.

**Individual Stats**  
**Rushing:**  
 Tony Beggs 3-21  
 Klay Wilson 2-14

Tim Butler 2-16  
**Passing:**  
 Tim Butler 8-10-205  
**Receiving:**  
 Josh Hopkins 2-50  
 Joseph Dillard 2-87  
 Dusty Dickson 1-11  
 Tony Beggs 3-57  
**Tackles: solo/asst.**  
 Tony Beggs 4/12  
 Charlie Rogers 2/12  
 Matt Nickerson 3/8  
 Josh Hopkins 3/2  
 Dustin Purvis 1/5  
 Cole Koenig 2/4  
 Kevin Scott 0/4  
 Casey Pack 1/2  
 Joseph Dillard 0/2  
 Chris Sliger 0/2  
 Dusty Dickson 0/2  
 Chris Harris 0/1  
 Klay Wilson 0/1  
 Jose Mauricio 1/0  
 Jared Wooten 1/0  
 Jordan Pancake 0/1  
 Andy Bennett 0/1



## High School Cross Country Results Told

by COACH CAVENDER

On Wednesday the 10th we traveled to Cisco for our first afternoon meet. The course was extremely difficult with constantly changing surfaces and elevations.

Girls times in the 2 mile race were:

Shana Hyles	14:20	14th
Christin Hyles	15:25	36th
Shena Thomas	15:53	53rd
Angela Swift	16:00	57th
Candice Bailey	16:03	58th
Melanie Chesshir	17:49	71st

The boys finished 3rd in the team standings out of 9 teams. We finished behind 3A Breckenridge and 3A Graham.

Andy Bennett	17:33	6th
Josh Hopkins	18:11	12th
Cesar Rameriz	18:19	18th
Randy Duncan	19:32	29th
Dusty Cooper	21:46	37th

## Junior High Cross Country Action

by COACH DILLARD

Cisco Invitational was held Wednesday October 10, 2001 at Lake Cisco Country Club.

**Junior High Boys 27 runners**

River Dillard	6:24	7th
Justin Dickson	6:36	10th
Chance Watkins	6:57	15th
Chris McBride	7:18	21st
Russell Thomas	7:30	23rd
Sean Williams	8:11	25th
David Peters	8:42	27th

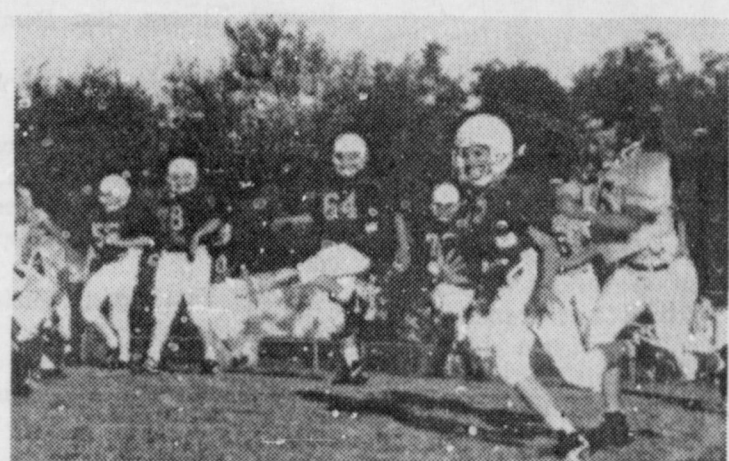
**Junior High Girls 48 runners**

Maci Phillips	7:13	12th
Naomi Isbell	7:22	17th
Rainey Bacon	7:56	31st
Brittany Adams	8:35	40th
Jesse Norris	8:37	41st
Karen Scott	8:53	45th
Jarrah Hutchins	9:02	46th
Mykea Douglass	9:27	47th
Christina Avants	9:30	48th

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**HIGH SCHOOL CLASS TAKES INTERESTING FIELD TRIP**— The Human Anatomy and Physiology class recently toured the medical student facilities at the Health Science Center on the campus of Texas Tech University in Lubbock. The students observed the internal organs of humans as well as various types of cancer. Those who attended were Melanie Chesshir (front from, left), Angela Swift, Shena Thomas and Keali Eppard; Mrs. Beasley (back, from left), Greg Black, Joseph Dillard, Tim Butler, Sarah Nixon, Josh Hopkins and Kevin Wilson.



JUNIOR HIGH OFFENSE IN ACTION VS SANTA ANNA

## Junior High Football Action

Junior High had a successful night last Thursday. The captains were Chance Watkins, Chris McBride, Brock Cooper and Colton Manley.

Even though the Buffs lost the toss, they held the Moutaineers to no yardage gains on the first series of downs. The Moutaineers punt ended up in the hands of Chance Watkins and following a couple of carries from Watkins, the Buffs were in scoring range. Russell Thomas took the ball in for 6-points and placed the Buffs on the score board first. With only 3:41 in the quarter Aaron Phillips took the Moutaineer's quarterback back way back for a loss of yardage. Roy Smith gave a great effort in blocking Santa Anna's punt to end the 1st quarter.

At the beginning of the 2nd quarter, Thomas handed off to Roy Smith who took it in for a TD. The Moutaineers then scored their first TD which turned out to be their only score of the night. With only 4:15 remaining in the half, the Moutaineer's kicked off and the Buffs fumbled, only to come back strong with tackles from Clayton Thomas, Sean Wil-

liams and Aaron Phillips. The Buffs led 12-6 at the half.

The cheerleaders performed an exciting dance routine at half-time, and the Junior High Pep Squad was introduced.

The Buffs came out strong in the second half. The kickoff from Santa Anna was received by Russell Thomas. The Buffs couldn't convert the following series of downs into a score, but they kept the Moutaineers from scoring. After a couple of runs from Thomas to River Dillard the Buffs moved the ball down to the 25-yard line. On a quarterback keeper, Thomas made some mighty impressive zigs and zags to end up in the end zone for 6 more points and River Dillard added the extra point.

At this point the Buffs put Chance Watkins in as quarterback and he handed off to Sean Williams and Saul Reyes, but neither side scored again and the game ended 19-6 in favor of the Buffs.

The Junior High team will take on the Gorman Panthers on Thursday.


Submitted by Teresa Koenig

## SCHOOL MENU

October 22 - October 26

**BREAKFAST**  
 MONDAY-- Cream of Wheat, Toast, Assorted Juice  
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 WEDNESDAY-- Eggs, Bacon, Biscuit, Assorted Juice  
 THURSDAY-- Cereal, Toast, Assorted Juice  
 FRIDAY-- Cinnamon Rolls, Assorted Juice

**LUNCH**  
 MONDAY-- Spaghetti w/Meat Sauce, Cheese, Broccoli, Garlic Sticks, Peaches  
 TUESDAY-- Chicken Nuggets w/Gravy, Creamed Potatoes, Green Beans, Rolls, Apricots  
 WEDNESDAY-- Fiesta Salad (Chili Beans, Cheese, Corn Chips) Rice, Salad, Pineapples  
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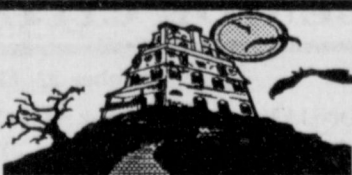
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I have dealt with Mansfield, Fort Worth, Ranger and Eastland school districts over the years and I can honestly say that Cross Plains is the best school district I have ever dealt with. My son is in the eighth grade now and he is

doing better than ever, thanks to the staff and principal of Cross Plains School. I hope that each and everyone of you stay here to teach for years to come. Some folks just don't realize just how good you all are, until it is too late and you have moved on.

I guess to sum this up I'm saying **MY HAT IS OFF TO THE PRINCIPALS AND THE TEACHING STAFF OF THE CROSS PLAINS SCHOOLS.** Thank You all for the hard work that you do, for you don't get enough recognition for all that you do.

I enjoy living in Cross Plains. It is a very nice community and everyone that I have met are friendly down home folks. This town has a lot to offer and I am proud to say I live in Cross Plains, Texas.

Michael Roy Smith



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Lovely Nichols

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Cases Investigated  
Warnings-79  
Complaints-92  
DWI-Minor-1  
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Notice is hereby given that the polling places listed below will be open from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. on November 6, 2001 for voting in a special election for Constitutional Amendments.

(Notifiquese, por las presente, que las casillas electorales sitados abajo se abirán desde las 7:00 a.m. hasta las 7:00 p.m. el November 6, 2001 para votar en La Eleccion Especial para Constitutional Amendments.)

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## Comptroller Rylander announces counties qualifying for 2002 tax credits

AUSTIN—Texas Comptroller Carole Keeton Rylander today released a list of 224 counties where businesses can apply for hundreds of millions of dollars in state tax breaks next year.

"Each year I review the economic health of each county and I am pleased to announce this important, new list of counties eligible for these tax breaks," Comptroller Rylander said.

The franchise tax credits for economic development were enacted in 1999 by the 76th Legislature and include a research credit, a job creation credit and an investment credit.

"All three tax credits are real and businesses large and small will benefit," Comptroller Rylander said. "The total dollar amount of the tax breaks will depend on how many businesses take advantage of this tremendous tax credit program."

### Research Credit

The research credit is available to firms that perform qualified research activities in Texas. It is based on the firm's increase in research activities during the year compared to a base amount.

Five percent of qualified research expenses will be credited for tax reports due in 2002 and after. The amount of the company's credit may be as large as 50 percent of its franchise tax liability. Unused credits may be carried over for a maximum of 20 years.

Additional credit is available for qualified research activities conducted in selected counties.

### Job Creation Credit

Companies that create jobs in selected counties may qualify for a job creation credit equal to five percent of the wages paid to workers holding those jobs. The credit is five percent a year for five years beginning with the year the jobs are created.

To qualify, a corporation must create at least 10 new full-time jobs, pay at least 110 percent of the county's average weekly wage, pay health benefits and be engaged in manufacturing, warehousing, wholesale distribution, computer services or research.

The credit is limited to 50 per-

cent of the firm's tax liability in the year that credits are claimed. Unclaimed credits may be carried forward for a maximum of five years.

### Investment Credit

Corporations that invest at least \$500,000 in machinery and equipment can qualify for a franchise tax credit equal to 7.5 percent of that investment. The investment must be located in selected counties and in the industries listed for the job creation credit.

This credit, too, is limited to 50 percent of the firm's tax liability, and any unclaimed credits may be carried forward for a maximum of five years.

### Strategic Investment Area

The Strategic Investment Area (SIA) is a collection of counties and sub-county areas where job creation, investment and research activities by businesses can earn franchise tax credits. The SIA is determined each September by the Comptroller's Office, and the determination is effective for business activity in the following calendar year.

Comptroller Rylander determined that of the state's 254 total counties, 224 fall wholly or partially in the state SIA for calendar year 2002.

Of those counties, 102 qualify for full-purpose SIA designation based on their relative unemployment rate and per-capita income.

This designation will permit firms engaged in manufacturing, warehousing, wholesale distribution, computer services or research to apply for job creation and investment credits, as well as the research credit bonus.

Another group of 117 counties, including Callahan County, qualifies only for the limited-purpose SIA designation based on their population. Corporations engaged in agricultural processing in these counties can apply for the job creation and investment credits.

"Businesses should be eager to take advantage of this generous tax credit plan which will create good-paying jobs for hardworking Texans," Comptroller Rylander said.

## 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.

## Fall Meeting of District VIII of Texas Garden Clubs Held in Abilene This Year

The Fall Meeting of District VIII of Texas Garden Clubs, Inc. will be held in Abilene on November 2-3. Host clubs are Abilene Garden Club and Merkel Garden Club. Theme for the meeting will be "Treasure Island."

Activities begin Friday, November 2, with registration at the Abilene Garden Club Center, 300 Westwood Dr., followed by a trip to the Discovery Center at Nelson Park Zoo. Saturday morn-

ing, November 3, the Merkel Garden Club will host a coffee at the Abilene Garden Club Center, followed by the business meeting at 9:30 a.m. Following a luncheon, Gary Norman of Philpott Florist and Greenhouse, will present a program of floral design.

The meeting is open to all members of District VIII. For registration information, contact Doris Purcell, Registration Chairman, at 3317 High Meadows, Abilene, Texas 79605, or call (915) 692-3913.

## Eastland's First United Methodist Church Fall Festival This Saturday

The First United Methodist Church of Eastland is planning another old-fashioned "Fall Festival" for Saturday, October 20. The church is located at 215 S. Mulberry Street in Eastland, one block southwest of the Eastland Town Square.

Beginning at 9 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall there will be a "Country Store" with homemade pies, crafts, holiday gift items and fresh baked goods. A silent auction also begins at 9 a.m. In addition, a 3 on 3 basketball tourney for youth from 4th grade and older will be held in the morning

and afternoon at the school gymnasium. For younger children there will be a carnival with games at the church from 10 a.m. on.

From 5 to 7 will be a Bar-B-Q with all the fixings and at 6:30 a.m. the live auction begins. Live entertainment will be provided before the supper. The supper will cost \$5 in advance for adults and \$3 for children.

Everyone in the area is invited to come and enjoy this day of music, laughter, food, fellowship and fun. Call the church at (254) 629-1022 for more information.

## White-Tailed Deer Seminar October 25

The recent cooler temperatures have turned many Big Country residents thoughts to the upcoming white-tailed deer season which opens for rifles November 3. Deer are an important component of renewable natural resources in Texas. The white-tailed deer is the major game species, measured by hunter participation and money spent on the sport. In recent years, hunters have harvested more than 450,000 head each year. Perhaps no wildlife species has more universal appeal than the white-tailed deer.

Many people are interested in deer - ranchers, rural landowners, farmers, nature lovers, gardeners and even suburban homeowners. But their perspectives are not the same. Nature lovers like to see many animals that are gentle and easy to observe. Hunters want hunting opportunities, primarily for bucks. Farmers and gardeners may just wish that the deer would feed on something besides their crops. Ranchers may view deer as potential sources of revenue.

Healthy deer herds have several common attributes such as big antlers, prime body condition, productive does, good fawn survival, rapid growth, and early maturity of young.

To address a few of the above topics and help local enthusiasm prepare for the approaching season, the Callahan County Extension

Service has scheduled a White-Tailed Deer Seminar for Thursday, October 25, 2001. The seminar will be held at 7:00 p.m. in the Baird Activity Center located at 208 Walnut in Baird, Texas. There is a \$2.00 admission that automatically qualifies participants for a chance at a 200# automatic deer feeder to be given away at the end of the program. There will be several other door prizes.

Ken Cearley, Extension Associate-Wildlife from San Angelo, will be on hand to discuss the blueprint for successful white-tailed deer management. Vance Wallace, local Game Warden, will discuss current legal aspects for hunters. Donald Capra, a recent Buckskin Brigade graduate will give an overview of the opportunity for young people to get more involved with the study of white-tailed deer. Darcy Turner of Turner Seed Company in Breckenridge will discuss forages used by white-tail and proper management of your food plots.

Regardless of your level of interest in white-tailed deer, this program had something for you. You won't want to miss this opportunity to learn more about the most popular big game animal in Texas. For further information on the program contact the Callahan County Extension office at (915)854-1518.

Sincerely,  
Robert Pritz  
County Extension Agent

## Christ's Community Resource Center News

The 'We Care Team' from Dyess Air Force Base is going to be here Saturday, October 20, to patch our roof. We hope that folks will turn out to say thank you for the wonderful job these members of our armed forces do for the country. We need donations of food and drinks and volunteers to serve lunch to these fine folks. Please help us out. If you can help call Nancy at 893-4601 or Nelda at 893-2436.

GED class open enrollment is Thursday, October 25, at 6:00 p.m. at the Center. Anyone who has begun testing but has not completed all five sections of the GED test must do so before December 20, 2001 or the sections passed previously will be lost! Next enrollment will not be until January 2002. Call Mary Richards at 893-3040 or sign up at the Center.

Remember the Gypsy M/C Halloween hayride. It will start at 6:00 p.m., October 31. The cost is two canned goods items per person. The proceeds will go to benefit the Resource Center. Also they have set up donation boxes all over town. Help us fill the pantry to help our families. They are also taking donations of clothes, toys, furniture, etc. to help us out. Many thanks to these generous people for all of

the good things they do for our community.

We need volunteers to help out on Tuesdays at the Center. If you can spare a few hours, come by and offer a helping hand. It's good for the soul and it will mean a world of difference to our families in need.

The holidays are approaching fast. We need donations of toys, games, books, decorations, wrapping paper, or anything else to help make Christmas happy for the families we serve. We also need food for holiday food baskets. If you have an extra turkey, ham, or anything for the holidays, let us know. You can make the difference between smiles and tears for our children. Call us if you want to help Nancy or Nelda.

Don't forget, we have chow-chow for sale at the Center if you want more. It is really good and part of the proceeds go to help the Center.

Over the weekend, one of our freezers went out and we lost a lot of meat. We are desperately in need of a freezer and meat to fill it. Hunters if you like to hunt but don't eat the meat, we will be glad to take it. Our families would enjoy it. Call Nancy at 893-4601 or Nelda at 893-2436.

Submitted by: Nelda Stewart

## 4-H Food Show Set for Saturday, Oct. 20

The Callahan County 4-H Food Show will be held on Saturday, October 20, at Baird School Cafeteria. The sponsor for this year's Food Show is Lawrence Brothers IGA-Clyde. Over 25 youth from around the county will compete in 4 different age divisions in 4 different food categories. The categories will include Main Dish, Fruits and Vegetables, Breads and Cereals and Nutritional Snacks. Judging will begin at 4 p.m. with a Tasting Bee and Awards Presentation starting around 6 p.m.

The Food Show provides for

educational and personal development and recognizes 4-H members who excel in the 4-H Foods and Nutrition project. Youth will be judged on their knowledge of the Food Guide Pyramid as it relates to their dish, along with serving size, nutrients and calorie content of their dish. Youth will also be judged on their communication skills as well as the taste, texture and appearance of their food entry. Anyone who might be interested is invited to come and be a part of this year's Food Show.

Submitted by Robert Pritz  
County Extension Agent

## Cisco First Christian Church Bazaar Nov. 2-3

The Cisco First Christian Church will hold their annual bazaar Friday, November 2, and Saturday, November 3, to benefit mission work in Cisco and other areas as well.

Breakfast will start off each day at 7 a.m.; take outs are welcome. Friday morning they will serve breakfast casserole and homemade hot sauce or donuts. Saturday morning menu will consist of biscuit and gravy with sausage, sausage biscuits or donuts. The noon meals will be the traditional stew and sandwiches.

The crafts will be irresistible this year. Everyone has been busy making hand-knit dish rags, cov-

ered coat hanger, crosses, Christmas wall hangings, baby quilts, Christmas ornaments, arm relief pillows, wreaths, pillowcases, Christmas place mats, mixes in jars, potted plants, cookbooks, Christmas cards bookmarks and more.

Baked goods, pies, cakes, cookies, brownies, etc. will sell both days. Baked goods can be preordered by calling Jo Creech at (254) 442-2356. There will also be a drawing for a dessert a month for a \$1 donation to the mission work. And for FREE they will be dishing out lots of Christian fellowship at 303 West 8th Avenue, Cisco, Texas.

## Hey! Where Did All the People Go?

If you have the address, phone number, or e-mail address for any Cisco Junior College alumni, please let us know. The College would like to locate persons who have attended Cisco Junior College and their years of attendance.

This information will help them in compiling an up-to-date Alumni Directory. This will enable us to send out periodic news-

letters with upcoming CJC events and news items of special interest to current students as well as ex-students.

Thank you for any information you can provide. Please send a note to: Martha Montgomery, Cisco Junior College, Rt. 3 Box 3, Cisco, Texas 76437 or Fax (254) 442-2546 or e-mail: [mmontgomery@cisco.cc.tx.us](mailto:mmontgomery@cisco.cc.tx.us)

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**No. 1**  
(Núm. 1)  
\*The constitutional amendment providing for clearing of land titles by the release of a state claim of its interest to the owners of certain land in Bastrop County.\*  
("Enmienda constitucional que dispone aclarar los títulos de propiedad de terrenos, mediante la renuncia de una reclamación de título por parte del estado, a favor de los propietarios de ciertos terrenos en el Condado de Bastrop.")

For (A Favor)  
 Against (En Contra)

**No. 2**  
(Núm. 2)  
\*The constitutional amendment authorizing the issuance of state general obligation bonds and notes to provide financial assistance to counties for roadway projects to serve border colonies.\*  
("Enmienda constitucional que autoriza la emisión de bonos y pagarés estatales de obligación general para proporcionar asistencia económica a los condados, para el desarrollo de proyectos de caminos que sirvan a las colonias fronterizas.")

For (A Favor)  
 Against (En Contra)

**No. 3**  
(Núm. 3)  
\*The constitutional amendment to authorize the legislature to exempt from ad valorem taxation raw cocoa and green coffee that is held in Harris County.\*  
("Enmienda constitucional para autorizar a la legislatura que exente de la tributación ad valorem de impuestos el cacao crudo y las semillas verdes de café almacenadas en el Condado de Harris.")

For (A Favor)  
 Against (En Contra)

**No. 11**  
(Núm. 11)  
\*The constitutional amendment to allow current and retired public school teachers and retired public school administrators to receive compensation for serving on the governing bodies of school districts, cities, towns, or other local governmental districts, including water districts.\*  
("Enmienda constitucional para permitir que los actuales y jubilados maestros de escuelas públicas, y los administradores jubilados de escuelas públicas, sean remunerados al servir en organismos que gobiernan distritos escolares, ciudades, pueblos u otros distritos gubernamentales locales, incluyendo los distritos de recursos de agua.")

For (A Favor)  
 Against (En Contra)

**No. 12**  
(Núm. 12)  
\*The constitutional amendment to eliminate obsolete, archaic, redundant, and unnecessary provisions and to clarify, update, and harmonize certain provisions of the Texas Constitution.\*  
("Enmienda constitucional para eliminar las disposiciones obsoletas, arcaicas, redundantes e innecesarias y para aclarar, actualizar y armonizar ciertas disposiciones de la Constitución de Texas.")

For (A Favor)  
 Against (En Contra)

**No. 13**  
(Núm. 13)  
\*The constitutional amendment authorizing the legislature to authorize the board of trustees of an independent school district to donate certain surplus district property of historical significance in order to preserve the property.\*  
("Enmienda constitucional que faculta a la legislatura a autorizar a la junta de regentes de un distrito escolar independiente a donar cierta propiedad distrital excedente y de importancia histórica, con objeto de preservar esa propiedad.")

For (A Favor)  
 Against (En Contra)

**No. 4**  
(Núm. 4)  
\*The constitutional amendment providing for a four-year term of office for the fire fighters' pension commissioner.\*  
("Enmienda constitucional que dispone establecer que la duración del cargo del comisionado de pensiones de los bomberos (fire fighters' pension commissioner) sea de cuatro años.")

For (A Favor)  
 Against (En Contra)

**No. 5**  
(Núm. 5)  
\*The constitutional amendment authorizing municipalities to donate outdated or surplus firefighting equipment or supplies to underdeveloped countries.\*  
("Enmienda constitucional que autoriza a las municipalidades a donar equipo o suministros para combatir incendios, de carácter obsoleto o excedente, a países subdesarrollados.")

For (A Favor)  
 Against (En Contra)

**No. 6**  
(Núm. 6)  
\*The constitutional amendment requiring the governor to call a special session for the appointment of presidential electors under certain circumstances.\*  
("Enmienda constitucional que requiere que el Gobernador, bajo ciertas circunstancias, convoque una sesión especial para el nombramiento de electores presidenciales.")

For (A Favor)  
 Against (En Contra)

**No. 7**  
(Núm. 7)  
\*The constitutional amendment authorizing the Veterans' Land Board to issue up to \$500 million in general obligation bonds payable from the general revenues of the state for veterans' housing assistance and to use assets in certain veterans' land and veterans' housing assistance funds to provide for veterans' cemeteries.\*  
("Enmienda constitucional que autoriza al Consejo de Terrenos para Veteranos (Veteran's Land Board) emitir hasta \$500 millones de dólares en bonos de obligación general pagaderos de los ingresos generales del estado, con el fin de proporcionar asistencia a los veteranos en obtener viviendas, y para usar los activos en ciertos fondos de asistencia para terrenos y vivienda de veteranos para costear cementerios para veteranos.")

For (A Favor)  
 Against (En Contra)

**No. 14**  
(Núm. 14)  
\*The constitutional amendment to authorize the legislature to authorize taxing units other than school districts to exempt from ad valorem taxation travel trailers that are not held or used for the production of income.\*  
("Enmienda constitucional para facultar a la legislatura a autorizar que las unidades tributarias, las cuales no sean distritos escolares, exenten de impuestos ad valorem a remolques de viaje que no sean mantenidos o usados para recabar ingresos.")

For (A Favor)  
 Against (En Contra)

**No. 15**  
(Núm. 15)  
\*The constitutional amendment creating the Texas Mobility Fund and authorizing grants and loans of money and issuance of obligations for financing the construction, reconstruction, acquisition, operation, and expansion of state highways, turnpikes, toll roads, toll bridges, and other mobility projects.\*  
("Enmienda constitucional que crea el Fondo de Movilidad de Texas (Texas Mobility Fund) y autoriza subvenciones y préstamos de dinero y la emisión de obligaciones para financiar la construcción, reconstrucción, adquisición, operación y expansión de las carreteras estatales, carreteras de peaje, carreteras de cuota, puentes de cuota u otros proyectos de movilidad.")

For (A Favor)  
 Against (En Contra)

**No. 16**  
(Núm. 16)  
\*The constitutional amendment prescribing requirements for imposing a lien for work and material used in the construction, repair, or renovation of improvements on residential homestead property and including the conversion and refinancing of a personal property lien secured by a manufactured home to a lien on real property as a debt on homestead property protected from a forced sale.\*  
("Enmienda constitucional que estipula los requisitos para imponer un gravamen (lien), por el trabajo y los materiales usados en la construcción, reparación o renovación de mejoras en una propiedad de residencia familiar (homestead) e incluyendo la conversión y el refinanciamiento de un gravamen sobre bienes muebles garantizado por una vivienda manufacturada, a un gravamen sobre bienes inmuebles como un adeudo sobre la propiedad de una residencia familiar protegida contra una venta forzada.")

For (A Favor)  
 Against (En Contra)

**No. 8**  
(Núm. 8)  
\*The constitutional amendment authorizing the issuance of up to \$850 million in bonds payable from the general revenues of the state for construction and repair projects and for the purchase of needed equipment.\*  
("Enmienda constitucional que autoriza la emisión de hasta \$850 millones de dólares en bonos pagaderos de los ingresos generales del estado, para llevar a cabo proyectos de construcción y reparación y para la compra del equipo necesario.")

For (A Favor)  
 Against (En Contra)

**No. 9**  
(Núm. 9)  
\*The constitutional amendment authorizing the filling of a vacancy in the legislature without an election if a candidate is running unopposed in an election to fill the vacancy.\*  
("Enmienda constitucional que autoriza la ocupación de una vacante en la legislatura sin que se lleve a cabo una elección si el candidato se lanza sin oposición en una elección para ocupar la vacante.")

For (A Favor)  
 Against (En Contra)

**No. 10**  
(Núm. 10)  
\*The constitutional amendment to promote equal tax treatment for products produced, acquired, and distributed in the State of Texas by authorizing the legislature to exempt from ad valorem taxation tangible personal property held at certain locations only temporarily for assembling, manufacturing, processing, or other commercial purposes.\*  
("Enmienda constitucional para promover el tratamiento tributario equitativo para los productos producidos, adquiridos y distribuidos en el Estado de Texas mediante la autorización de la legislatura a exentar de los impuestos ad valorem, las propiedades personales tangibles tenidas en ciertos lugares solamente de manera temporal para su ensamble, manufactura, procesamiento u otros propósitos comerciales.")

For (A Favor)  
 Against (En Contra)

**No. 17**  
(Núm. 17)  
\*The constitutional amendment authorizing the legislature to settle land title disputes between the state and a private party.\*  
("Enmienda constitucional que le autoriza a la legislatura establecer acuerdos legales relativos a disputas sobre títulos de propiedad de terrenos entre el estado y un particular.")

For (A Favor)  
 Against (En Contra)

**No. 18**  
(Núm. 18)  
\*The constitutional amendment to promote uniformity in the collection, deposit, reporting, and remitting of civil and criminal fees.\*  
("Enmienda constitucional para promover la uniformidad en el cobro, depósito, reporte y remisión de las cuotas civiles y penales.")

For (A Favor)  
 Against (En Contra)

**No. 19**  
(Núm. 19)  
\*The constitutional amendment providing for the issuance of additional general obligation bonds by the Texas Water Development Board in an amount not to exceed \$2 billion.\*  
("Enmienda constitucional que permite que sean emitidos bonos adicionales de obligación general por la Junta de Desarrollo de Recursos de Agua de Texas (Texas Water Development Board), pudiendo tal cantidad llegar a un máximo de \$2,000 millones de dólares.")

For (A Favor)  
 Against (En Contra)

### Early voting for Constitutional Amendment Election begins Monday

Early voting for the November 6, 2001 Constitutional Amendment Election in Callahan County will begin on Monday, October 22.

Early voting for the Constitutional Amendment Election will only take place in Room #107 at the Callahan County Courthouse in Baird. Early voting will be held each weekday from October 22 through November 2. The early voting hours at the Callahan County Courthouse in Baird will be from 8:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m. and the early voting location will be open during the 12:00 noon lunch hour. Branch early voting at the Clyde and Cross Plains Justice of the Peace office was waived this year by Callahan County Commissioners because of an expected low voter turnout. During the last Constitutional Amendment Election held in November 1999 in Callahan County, just under 150 people cast their ballots by early voting.

Commissioners have also approved combining several voting precincts through Callahan County on Tuesday, November 6. Clyde Precinct #1 and Clyde Precinct #6 voters will vote November 6 at the Southside Baptist Church. Eula Precinct #2 and Oplin Precinct #7 voters can vote in November 6 at the Eula Lions Club building. Baird Precinct #3 and Putnam Precinct #5 voters will vote Tuesday, November 6 at the Baird Housing Authority building. Cross Plains Precinct #4 voters will vote on November 6 at the Cross Plains Community Center.

There are 19 Constitutional Amendments on this November's ballot. A sample ballot of the November 6 Constitutional Amendment Election ballot appears inside this week's newspaper.

The House Research Organization reports that Texas voters have approved 390 amendments to the state constitution since it was adopted 125 years ago.

Efforts to rewrite the constitution have been unsuccessful so the state's voters do patchwork every two years.

The November 6 election is not your usual election—no representatives senators or judges will be elected—but it's still a

### Shop for the Holidays at Christmas Carousel

ABILENE—A world of shopping, fun and educational family events, and a formal gala catered by Albany's Fort Griffin General Merchandise/Beehive Saloon are among the exciting offerings at the 21st annual Christmas Carousel, Nov. 1-4, at the Abilene Civic Center.

Passport to Christmas is the theme for this community event put on by the Junior League of Abilene, and shopping and parties reflect this international theme, celebrating the cultures of a diverse world.

Guests must make advance reservations for all special events and table reservations are accepted. All event tickets are good for same-day shopping. Tickets for shopping the International Marketplace can be purchased in advance, but also will be available at the door.

For event information and tickets, call the Junior League of Abilene at (915) 677-1879.

### Annual Sagerton Bazaar set Nov. 3

The Sagerton Hobby Club's Nineteenth Annual Bazaar will be November 3, 2001, from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. at the Sagerton Community Center. Proceeds from the Bazaar will be used for the Scholarship Fund and community projects.

This year's quilt, to be given away, is the "flying geese" pattern. Tickets are available for \$1.00 or 6 for \$5.00 and may be purchased from club members or at the bazaar. The drawing will be at 3:00 p.m. and you do not need to be present to win.

There will be arts, crafts, baked goods, and Thanksgiving and Christmas items. Lunch will be served.

Booths are \$5.00. For more information call 940-997-2103, 915-773-2869 or 915-773-3832. Admission is free to the Sagerton Bazaar.

### CJC Offers Refrigerant Containment Class and Mobile Vehicle Air Conditioning

Cisco Junior College will offer a Refrigerant Containment class and Mobile Vehicle Air Conditioning Technician Certification course on Saturday, October 27, at the Cisco Junior College Industrial Division in Abilene.

The Stationary Refrigerant class will meet from 8 a.m. to 12 noon. The class satisfies EPA section 608 of the Clean Air Act to permit certification of technicians as required by the ACT. This course is EPA approved and includes all materials and instructions to complete a technician certificate. Cost for the class is \$65. Study materials must be picked up one week prior to the class from Clay Spain.

The Mobile Vehicle Air Conditioning Technician Certification course will be held from 1 to 3 p.m. This course is EPA approved and is conducted in accordance with the Federal Clean Air ACT Amendments of 1991. Satisfactory completion and passing of the recycling equipment for mobile vehicle air conditioners. All materials are included. Cost for the course is \$30.

For more information to register, contact Clay Spain at (915) 698-2219.

### "London Suite" at CJC Dinner Theatre

The Cisco Junior College drama department will present Neil Simon's "London Suite" as the fall production of the Hilton Dinner Theatre. The third in Mr. Simon's trilogy of "hotel" plays, the play consists of three comic stories, all of which take place in the same suite of the Connaught Hotel in London.

The production features Carolyn Ainsworth, David Ainsworth, Samantha Lavender and Matt Massie, playing a variety of roles.

"London Suite" will be performed Tuesday through Saturday, October 16-20, at the Conrad Hilton Community Center in downtown Cisco. The first two performances are \$1.00 admission nights. Thursday through Saturday are dinner theatre nights with ticket prices at \$12.00. Dinner service begins at 7 p.m. with curtain time at 8 p.m. throughout the week. Reserve your tickets today by phoning (254) 442-2589, Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

## County Residents Included Unclaimed Property List

The Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts will publish the annual list of unclaimed property owners in 33 Texas newspapers on Sunday, October 21, 2001. The information is also provided to the Legislature, local government officials and public libraries.

This newspaper received an advance copy to help alert the public about this extremely popular publication. This year's list contains the names of 115,695 people for whom the state is holding at least \$100 in forgotten cash, stocks, or contents of safe deposit boxes.

If you would like more information or if your name appears call the Comptroller at 1-800-654-3463 to inquire about unclaimed property. The telephone lines will be very busy during the first weeks following the release of the list. You may prefer to use the Comptroller's on-line database at [www.window.state.tx.us/up](http://www.window.state.tx.us/up) to search for your name and to begin the claims process elec-

tronically. There is no deadline to file a claim; the money will be here until the rightful owner is found.

Baird residents included in the list are: Lue Carolyn Boond, Joyce Cobb, T.T. Cowley, James H. Jones, Elvis T. Lee, Carl H. Oakley, Buddy Sirmans, and Richard Windham.

Clyde residents included in the unclaimed property list are: Newton N. Bailey, A.J. Bishop, Charles E. Brannam, Elizabeth Ann Brown, Citizens EMS, Orchard CB Harris, Donald Hitzelburger II, Randy Johnson, Rodney I. Lofton, New Hope Baptist Church, Sandra S. Prew, Floyd Riley, Douglas Schaffer, David Self, Debbie S. Stanford, Mike Lee Sterling, Charley Tom Straley, and Tom F. Windham.

Cross Plains residents included in the unclaimed property list include: Donna Burleson, J.C. Chavis, Durango Operating, B. Eubank, Brooke K. Eubank, Robert F. Joy, Frank R. King, and S.K. Spurlock.



# COUNTY ROADS by Ginny Greene

## Sea matins...

Unexpected blessings show up in the oddest places, even on the western shore of the Salton Sea where MyKeeper and I lived for a year.

Shimmering in the sun at the northern tip of Southern California's Imperial Valley, the Sea is a shallow body of smelly water set in rock and sand. There's a sprinkling of palm trees and salt cedar, but shade is meted out in smidgeons. Except that it is saltier than the ocean, it is not actually a sea, but mostly a drainage pond for farmland irrigation.

The Salton Sea fills a portion of the baked bottom of ancient Lake Cahuilla, whose waterline is still evident on some of the mountains that rise sharply at the edge of the desert bowl. The mercury rises to 128 degrees F. once or twice in August of the hottest summers in this scorched place that dips almost 220 feet below sea level. It is almost inconceivable that dates, table grapes, and a major supply of the country's vegetable crops are grown in the fertilized irrigated sands of this region.

The smell comes from fish die-offs. Nothing much survives in the land-locked selenium-rich waters except Tilapia, a fish from Africa introduced by experiment. Tilapia thrive and reproduce at alarming rates. Pretty soon there's no oxygen left in the water, the fish die off, and the fumes - well, the fumes are disgusting. As soon as the oxygen balance revives, the surviving few Tilapia waste no time beginning the cycle all over again.

Summer in the desert is a searing, brutal climate. Flocks of winter visitors take the nicest season for relief from arthritis and for breathing easy in the dry air. They are called "snow birds" and the hardy souls that people the valley year-round and call themselves "desert rats."

But the mornings! Oh, the mornings! I was glad to be a morning person there on the edge of the Salton Sea. Every

sunrise was a ritual, a dance, a prayer.

My own ritual was to slip out into the predawn darkness with a cup of tea. I'd settle myself into a lawn chair and wait. The waiting was so my entry wouldn't disturb the processional to come.

When night gave way to a gray dimness, they came - the first one or two birds. The interval between dark and light filled with bursting with an increasing stream of northward flight. The birds, according to their kind, flapped or floated by. They chirped or croaked, screeched or quacked, according to the voice given by the Master. They sang their matins song in high and low notes, then harmonies and choirs.

My muscles ached with holding still so my presence would not interrupt.

It was enough to watch the throngs streaming north against a backdrop infused with light and shadow, fuchsia and gold, purple and pale blue. And it was bonus to see it all reflected in the water of the ugly Sea made beautiful by the soft lens of dawn.

It was enough, even more than enough. Then the pelicans came. Looming into view, they flew single-file, a wavering roller coaster flight, wide wings and white bodies tinged with oyster shell pink by a sun I couldn't yet see.

They coasted past and into the northern beyond, flanked by the hordes of other birds bent on the same northbound parade. The labor of their wings that seemed so effortless in the distance filled my ears as they flew past me. I wanted to wave, to stand and applaud, to laugh. But if I moved a muscle, the entire show would be whisked away to play to other eyes, or none. Somehow I stayed still.

At the Salton Sea, in the morning, sunrise isn't about 100 degree heat hugging my skin or the smell of a fish die-off. Morning at the Sea is a blessing to the deepest well of the soul.

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**NEW KIWANIS CLUB OFFICERS**—At the October 8th meeting of Kiwanis Mrs. Lajuan Norvell, Past Lt. Governor of District 36, installed their new officers. Pictured W.G. McCoy - Past President (from left), Roger Hart - 1st Vice President, Dale Bishop - President, Lajuan Norvell, Sue Neal - Treasurer, and Kathy Chesshir - Secretary. Richard Chaffin is the 2nd Vice President but was not available for the photo.

## UNEMPLOYMENT

Callahan County Unemployment	July	Aug.
Total Labor Force	6,016	6,007
Total Employed	5,771	5,772
Total Unemployed	245	235

## August unemployed rate falls below 4%

The unemployment rate in Callahan County for the month of August 2001 dropped two-tenths of one percentage point to 3.9 percent, according to jobless figures released Monday, October 8 by the Texas Workforce Commission.

Of the 6,007 civilian labor force in Callahan County, 5,772 were employed during August 2001, and 235 were unemployed, giving the county an unemployment rate of 3.9%. The county's unemployment rate one year ago in August 2000 was 3.6%.

Callahan County's unemployment rate was 4.1% in June 2001. Of the 6,016 civilian labor force in the county during July, 5,771 had jobs while 245 or 4.1% were unemployed.

Previous monthly jobless rates in Callahan County included: 4.8% in June 2001, 3.8% in May, 3.5% in April, 3.7% in March, 3.5% in February 2001, 3.6% in January 2001, 2.9% in December 2000, 3.3% in November, 3.6% in October, and 3.6% in September, according to the unemployment figures.

Big Country area counties, bordering Callahan County, and those counties unemploy-

ment rates for August 2001 include: Brown, 3.5%; Coleman, 4.1%; Eastland, 3.4%; Jones, 2.8%; Runnels, 3.0%; Shackelford, 1.8%; Stephens, 2.8%; and Taylor County, 3.9%.

The unemployment rate in Texas for August 2001 was 5.1%, down one-tenth of a percentage point from the 5.2% rate in July 2001. This decrease ties with 1978 and 1979 for the smallest July-to-August change in the unemployment rate, which has decreased on average three-tenths of a percentage point. August's rate is eight-tenths of a percentage point higher than last year's 4.3 percent for the same period, and is the highest August rate since 1997.

Of the 10,680,000 civilian labor force in the state, total employment was 10,137,600 in August. The total number of unemployed in August 2001 was 542,500.

The United States unemployment rate was 4.9% in August 2001. The nation's unemployment rate for the previous month of July 2001 was 4.7%. The United States unemployment rate one year ago in August 2000 was 4.1%.

## Texas Department of Health Is Maintaining System Readiness for Any Bioterrorist Act in America

Chemical or microorganisms turned into weapons at the hands of terrorists is a picture many people have not had or did not want to imagine until recently. Following the terrorist attacks of September 11, this scenario has many people asking: "Who or what is going to protect me and my family?"

State Epidemiologist Dennis Perrotta at the Texas Department of Health (TDH) says many answers lie in a strong and flexible public health system at local, state and national levels.

"Knowing about and responding to a virus or a bacterial agent that is affecting people is the nature of public health," Perrotta said. "Whether the infection is naturally occurring or the result of a terrorist act, TDH and other public health agencies are trained to react quickly. That's what public health professionals do every day."

The key is rapid detection of unusual occurrences, he said.

"The sooner we identify any disease outbreak, the quicker we can bring together local, state and federal resources and the more lives we will save. We stay in touch with doctors and other health care providers, monitoring their reports and investigating unusual occurrences," Perrotta said. "We make sure that prevention and control measures are in place."

Teams at TDH have been working on bioterrorism response for several years, according to Perrotta. "We coordinate with federal agencies and help develop response plans with local communities across the state. Preparedness and coordination are crucial."

Perrotta draws a distinction between chemical and biological attacks.

"Chemical attacks cause injuries almost immediately and will elicit an immediate emergency response," he said. "But bioterrorism is more complex because it can be done without much, if any, notice. The first clues to a biological agent release may be sick people who seek medical care days or weeks later, perhaps in different cities."

"In response to bioterrorism, as with any other epidemic, public health plays a critical role, he added.

After the events of September 11, TDH issued an alert to doctors, hospitals and other health care professionals around the state, reminding them to be especially watchful for suspicious symptoms and infections and to immediately report these to the local or state health department, 24 hours a day.

Following are some frequently

asked questions that TDH has received recently and the answers about bioterrorism?

**\*What is bioterrorism?**

Bioterrorism is the dispensing of disease microbes by individuals, groups or governments for the express purpose of causing harm for ideological, political or financial gain.

**\*What are the chances that a bioterrorist attack will occur in my hometown?**

No one really knows the chances, so it is important for cities, counties and the state to have plans in place to respond quickly. There is no need for panic, but it is wise to be prepared.

**\*How many bacteria and chemical agents do I have to worry about?**

Among the myriad chemicals and microbes from which to choose, only a few dozen agents are likely candidates. Fortunately, spreading them to cause maximum exposure and injury or illness is not a simple task.

**\*What about smallpox? Is there a vaccine I can get for me and my family?**

Smallpox vaccinations were discontinued in the 1980s after the disease was eradicated and no vaccine is currently available to the public. Some vaccine is kept by the federal government to be sent to affected areas if an outbreak occurs.

**\*What can I do to protect myself from anthrax?**

No anthrax vaccine is available for the general public. Anthrax is not contagious and can be treated with antibiotics. As soon as an anthrax outbreak is detected, these antibiotics can be distributed to those exposed in time to prevent disease.

**\*Should I get gas masks for myself and family?**

There are many types of gas masks, but no one type protects against all chemicals and microbes. Because a chemical or biological attack will almost certainly be a surprise, a gas mask would need to be worn 24 hours a day to be an effective protection. Gas masks themselves also present some risks when used, especially to people with certain pulmonary problems.

**\*What can I do to protect myself and my family?**

Be alert to your own health and that of your family just as you normally are. You know better than anyone what health problems are unusual for you and your family. Report any unusual symptoms or illnesses immediately to your health care provider. If you know of a number of people who have unusual symptoms or illnesses, you may report these to your local health department.

## THE RAILROADER

BY JERRY PAYNE

The third day I was at work, down around Phelps, Texas. We were shoveling ballast (rock) in between cross-ties for the tamper to tamp in under the ties.

I had been soaking wet with sweat from the time I got to work till the time I got off work. I worked with two black men, Claude Owens and Fred Evans. Claude was about 60 years old and Fred was about 58.

Claude approached me, while I was getting a drink of water and asked, "What the heck you trying to do?" I had no idea what he was talking about. I said, "What do you mean?" He said, "You trying to kill yourself? You are going too fast. Watch and do what I do," he said.

I told him I would and when we went back to work I watched Claude. Every time he stopped to get a drink, I got one too. Every time he stopped to go to the bathroom, I did, too. Every time he stopped and ate a sandwich, I ate one, too.

After about a week, Claude told me to watch him and he would show me how to sleep on the handle of shovel. I thought this couldn't be done. I watched Claude carefully the rest of that day and sure enough, he would walk down the track about 50 yards and stick the end of the shovel into the ballast and then stick the butt of the shovel into his midsection.

After doing this he would bend at the waist and slide his hand down the handle till it was just above the metal part. Then he would go off to sleep until the noise and vibration from the tamper would wake him and he would walk on down the track.

If the foreman looked up and glanced down the track he would see Claude bent over in a working position. I tried this a few times and found that you first have to have a very muscular stomach and second you have to be very sleepy.

## Happy Birthday!

### OCTOBER 19

Arthur Roady  
Barbara Vaught  
Angela Ferguson  
Forrest Burks  
Johnnie Knott  
Dub Meador  
Cole Dwayne Koenig

### OCTOBER 20

Cindy Knowles  
Rosemary Smith  
Bob Robinson  
Tammy Klingberg  
Travis Long  
Christie Jean Patterson  
Nathaniel Swift  
Debora Meador Barron  
Cody Leon Reed  
River Dillard

### OCTOBER 21

Kimberly (Hedrick) Jackson  
John Harrigal  
Chas Ray Thornhill  
Mrs. Cecil Wilson  
Arnel Mitchell  
Connie Stout  
Donna Michelle Beeler  
Mrs. O.B. Edmondson  
Nadine Nickerson

### OCTOBER 22

Donald Lane  
Stanley Honea  
Brenda De-Ann Teague

Mrs. Reuben McCowen  
Rodney Mac Jones  
Bob Morgan  
Leslie Cox  
Cassie Galloway

### OCTOBER 23

Vic Curry  
Ella Ruthie Roberts  
Janet Shults  
Barbara (Strength) Thomson  
Marilyn Marie Murray  
Jay Jackson  
Wendy Phillips

### OCTOBER 24

Jerry Hinkle  
Bobby Davis  
Larry Don DeBusk  
Monty Joe Garrett III  
Larry Spivey  
George Roady  
Edith Beggs  
Jackson Logan Worsham

### OCTOBER 25

Kathleen Gregg  
Kenneth Holt  
Jim Brown  
W.C. Perry  
Carl Thomas  
Clint Freeman  
Jody Long Henderson  
John Ray Purdue  
Magan Shoemaker

## Sales & use tax totals for first quarter of 2001

The state sales and use tax, analysis for Callahan County has been reported for the first quarter of 2001 by State Comptroller Carole Keeton Rylander's office on Monday, October 15.

Rylander reported gross sales, for all industries in Callahan County, for the first quarter of 2001 at \$13,007,758 which was 12.8 percent lower than the gross sales of \$14,918,826 reported during the first quarter of 2000. Gross sales are the total amount of all sales, leases and rentals of tangible personal property and all labor and service charges made during the reporting period.

Use tax purchases for the first quarter of 2001 for all industries in Callahan County amounted to \$49,688. Use tax purchases are the cost of all taxable items removed from inventory for personal or business use and all purchases on which no Texas sales tax was paid or use tax accrued.

The amount subject to state sales and use tax in the first quarter of 2001 in Callahan County was \$5,378,875 The

amount subject to state sales and use tax is calculated by taking taxable sales and adding use tax purchases.

The number of business locations in Callahan County, with a sales and use tax permit which filed a return, was 251. There were 258 permits issued during the same quarter the previous year.

The gross sales for the retail trade division in Callahan County for the first quarter of 2001 was \$7,639,491 which is 7.9 percent lower than the 2000 first quarter gross sales of \$8,297,319.

The use tax purchases for the retail trade division in Callahan County for the first quarter of 2001 was \$10,252.

The amount subject to state sales and use tax for the first quarter of 2001 was \$3,992,808 for the retail trade division in Callahan County.

The number of reporting outlets in the retail trade division in Callahan County totalled 130 for the first quarter of 2001. There were 138 reporting outlets during the same quarter in 2000.



The City of Cross Plains will be trimming trees that are hanging in the City's right-of-way beginning the first week in November. Landowners are encouraged to trim their own trees prior to that time. However, if trees are not trimmed prior to that time, tree limbs that are over hanging on City property will be trimmed both on city streets and alleys. If you have any questions, please call City Hall at (254) 725-6114.