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EDITOR'S NOTE: Charla Fowler, sister of Barbara Goode of Cross Plains, wrote the following story, that many of you will be able to relate to. Vanda Anderson Creech

"Brandy"

By Charla Fowler

She's white, sometimes, and a wild child. She's two years old, some type of terrier, and she's all mine now.

She wasn't mine at first, she belonged to my mother, who lived in Little Rock, Arkansas with her husband, Carl. Mom thought this dog was the best child she ever had and spoiled her rotten. My sister and I often gave each other that sideways look from the corners of our eyes, shaking our heads, as though to say, "She never let us get away with that!" But it was with humor, and Mother had a great bit of joy as the "3rd daughter" got away with Rundgren, a reporter for KRBC

She'd drag fresh laundry (just folded) all over the floor. Brandy would hold a wash cloth in her mouth, just daring us to chase her. Mom would smile and tell us that Brandy was just "a little toot, wasn't she?"

Brandy had the best toys, the best place on mom's bed, her own blankets and dishes. She was mom's buddy and most of all, mom's "baby".

When the cancer first came, it was in both mom's breasts and she underwent the surgeries and started the reconstruction. Back softly draped across her legs, being careful to not put weight on her by keeping her hind quarters up, standing. For the first time, she calmed down and didn't jump her usual 3 feet in the air, every step she took. This bombshell dog became a quiet companion, a gently comforter and still mom's baby.

The second time cancer struck, it was in the colon, liver and who knew where else. In our devastation, Brandy stayed aware of ments. what was happening, being a good dog. Her soft brown eyes asked us every day, "Where's

At last, mom pleaded with me, "Take care of my Baby...promise you will take her and keep her." I promised it over and over. I didn't want another dog, as I have two Dachshunds, but I would have promised her anything then, any-

It's been months since Mom passed away. I have Brandy at home with me. She's my "Baby" now, and she has been more than a handful. She's jealous of my dogs, wants to run the house, and drags fresh laundry across the floor. I let her. She has her toys, her dishes, her blanket and a good spot on my bed. She surely is "just a little toot."

She jumps 3 feet off the floor when she's excited. She is a tangle of white hair, no matter how much I brush her, because she's a Texas dog now. She plays outside with the neighbors dogs, rolling running and leaping. She sometimes lays quietly, draped across me, and sighs deeply, just like I do, and I know she's wondering,

Three community residents Skeet is now in Hendrick Medi-

Please continue to pray for the Your generosity would be recovery of Skeet and Kay and for greatly appreciated by these the Gartman family during this

you want to see yourselves in

only \$10 each. nic Contest will be offered and Saturday, January 26th. entries may be submitted from And, something new this year! Group Pictures. In this category, fun happening is open to girls in the contestants can be any age - pected to number about 450 from even grandma and grandpa are the various FFA Chapters and 4acceptable. Winners will be judged for each category, plus an overall winner. Each entry will entry form in this week's issue of Doug Johnston. the Cross Plains Review.)

This lively competition takes try will kickoff the event at 5:30 much volunteer effort by the sisters of Beta Sigma Phi. But they are happy to sponsor this event because, in addition to the contest providing experience, grace and confidence to the participants; they are able to fund not one, but two \$500.00 scholarships to graduating seniors from Cross Plains High School each year. And this is just one of the gifts that the sorority gives back to the community.

Hurry! Get your entry in now. This will be a wonderful evening for everyone. Bring your entire Beta Sigma Phi members are family and cheer for "your" Val-

Submitted by Mary Ann

Miss Valetine Pageant Callahan County Junior Announced for 2002 Livestock Show Starts Hear Ye! Hear Ye! Calling all Weiser, with us again to take photos. Packets will be offered for sale at a reasonable price. And, if

video, these will be for sale for Junior Livestock Show begins Wait! There's more. A Photoge- Thursday, January 24th, through

President of the Callahan birth through the 12th grade. County Junior Livestock Association Frankie Hyles of Cross Plains said that entries are ex-H Clubs in the county.

show will be Dick Vestal, Greg require a \$5.00 fee. (Look for the Gerngross, John Belcher and

Judging of the rabbits and poul-

son of Brownwood judging. All Beef Cattle will start at 8:30 a.m. participants must be checked in Saturday morning with the Heifer by 5 p.m. on the 24th.

day with the Breeding Swine as judge for Steer Show that will Show, followed by the Market commence at 9:00 a.m. Barrow Show. Gary Houser of Royse City will serve as judge for 2:00 p.m. Saturday. The Awards the swine show.

followed by the Meat Goats and San Angelo will be the judge.

Friday from 1:00 to 4:00 p.m. all Callahan County. steers and heifers will be classi-

The annual Callahan County p.m. Thursday with Scott Ander-fied and weighed. Judging of the Show judged by Jake Fite of Judging begins at 8:00 a.m. Fri- Burkburnett. Fite will also serve

The Premium Sale will begin at Presentation of all the trophies for At 1:30 p.m. on Friday, the champion animals will be held Announcers for the three-day Market Lambs will be judged, prior to the premium sale auction. Show Officials invite everyone Boer Goat Show. Justin Jones of out for all or part of the show. Come and support the youth of



Services Held for GUEST AUTHOR POPULAR WITH CROWD- Melinda Rice (seated on right) presented a book review at the Cross Plains Public Library "Meet the Author" evening. The ladies on the left are checking out Rice's books.

Bobbie Edmondson at home, lying on the couch, Brandy laid quietly at her feet, or Tuesday, January 22

Cross Plains, passed away Saturday, January 19, 2002 in the Seton Medical Center in Austin.

girls who are students at Cross Plains I.S.D.! The "day of sweethearts" will be here soon and that

signals the annual event of "Miss

Valentine" which is sponsored by

the Beta Sigma Phi sorority.

Mark the date: February 9th at

7:00 p.m. in the school audito-

If you're new to our town, this

Pre-K through 8th grade and she

must have an escort. A neighbor"

An older brother? That's okay,

because your escort doesn't have

to be in the same grade as you, the

contestant. And the escorts will

be eligible for the Judge's Choice

A beautiful tiara and ribbon will

be presented to each category's

winning girl. The runners-up will

receive a ribbon and everyone of

you who enter will receive a nice

certificate of participation in ad-

dition to a chance to be in the

spotlight for the evening. As

usual, three out-of-town volun-

teer judges will serve to make the

difficult choice of who reigns as

"Miss Valentine 2002". Karl

and host for "Does it Work?", will

be one of the judges. He will have

a television crew with him to

certain that each of you who enter

will want to remember your spe-

cial night, so we will have profes-

sional photographer, Tammy

cover the event.

Services were held at 1:30 p.m. Tuesday, January 22, 2002, at the First Baptist Church with Jimmie her parents and a sister, Juakana Mize officiating. Burial was in the Cross Plains Cemetery with Higginbotham Funeral Home of O.B. Edmondson; a son, Eddy Cross Plains in charge of arrange-

Edmondson was born October Austin and Colie Hudson of Drip-21, 1917 in Cross Plains, Texas to ping Spring; and her great-grand-Luke and Ethel Westerman. She lived her entire life in and near the Dripping Springs. Cross Plains community. Her husband of 62 years, O.B. Edmondson, was a longtime agriculture teacher at Cross Plains High School and former mayor of Cross Plains. She was a member she was active in The Ruth Class. Golson, Dick Grider, Charlie She had also taught Sunday

Mrs. Bobbie Edmondson, 84, of School classes at her church. Bobbie enjoyed people and often provided care and comfort to those in need. She was a devoted wife, mother and grandmother.

She was preceded in death by Scott, in December 2000.

She is survived by her husband, Don Edmondson and wife, Gayle Pickering of Austin; two grand-Bobbie Lee Westerman children, Corbin Edmondson of daughter, Lily Hudson, also of

Pallbearers were Cecil Barton, Dale Bishop, Rolan Jones, W.G. McCoy, Joe McWilliams, Rusty Reed, Roy Stambaugh and Leo Thompson. Honorary pallbearers were Rex Beggs, Charles of the First Baptist Church where Chesshir, Don Clark, Bob Grider, Albert Lovell, Jack Scott,

Children's Author Welcomed at Library's Book Review

Children's author Melinda Rice spoke to an enthusiastic "Meet the Author" crowd at the Community Center last Tuesday evening, January 15, sponsored by the Cross Plains Public Li-

Everyone listened intently as Ms. Rice described how she had been looking for a book for her young niece's birthday and wasn't satisfied with the selection she found. At that point, the idea for her first three books in the Lone Star Heroines series popped into her mind almost complete.

Thinking it was a long shot, she ing, both nonfiction and fiction. When one is writing historical fiction, the historical part must be

Ms. Rice's first three books in the Lone Star Heroines series are presented the idea to the Republic Fire on the Hillside, Messenger of Texas Press, which had previ- on the Battlefield and Secrets in ously published only nonfiction. the Sky, and they are recom-Surprise! The Republic of Texas mended for Grades 4-7. She has Press loved the idea! Ms. Rice also written nonfiction work, then discussed the meticulous re- Lone Star Ladies: A Travel Guide search she does for all of her writ- to Women's History in Texas, for travelers of all ages. All four books are available from the Republic of Texas Press.

Fred Tatom and Glenn Winfrey. **Football Team** Three members of the 2001 backer, made 59 solo stops and 94 Remember the Love Cross Plains Buffalo football assists for the Buffaloes. He team have recently been honored caused 5 fumbles and recovered **Funds Established**

for Skeet Walker, Kay Mosley Big Spring hospital

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continue to experience health cal Rehab in Abilene. Kay is at problems and need assistance home recuperating from with medical expenses incurred. angioplasty surgery. Arvil passed Love funds have been established away Saturday, January 19, in the

3 Buffaloes Named to Abilene Reporter-News 2001 All-Big Country

by being selected to the Abilene 2, and had 3 quarterback sacks Reporter-News 2001 All-Big and 8 tackles behind the line. He Country Football Team for Class returned one of his 2 intercep-A. They are Joseph Dillard, Se-tions for a touchdown, and broke nior; Tony Beggs, Scnior; and up 4 passes. Tony was the only Tim Butler, Senior.

Joseph Dillard was selected tight end. Dillard averaged an incredible 26.9 yards per catch in 11 games for Cross Plains, hauling in 19 passes for 512 yards and 7 touchdowns.

Tony Beggs, selected at line-

player on either offense or defense to repeat from last year on the All-Big Country Team.

Tim Butler, selected defensive back, intercepted 4 passes and proke up y otners in the secondary for the Buffaloes. He had 27 solo tackles and 30 assists, caused 3 fumbles and recovered 2.



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Political-Calendar

The Cross Plains Review is authorized to publish the following political announcements for the office filings in the Democratic Primary Election set for March 12, 2002.

For Callahan **County Clerk** Jeanie Bohannon

For Callahan **County Judge**

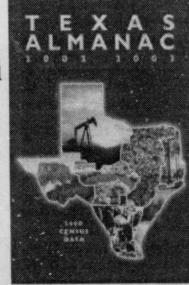
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Sponser: Pioneer Baptist Church

Sunday School......10:00 A.M. Sunday Morning Worship......11:00 A.M. Sunday Evening Worship......6:00 P.M.

Bill Armstrong - Pastor

OBITUARIES

Louise Richardson

Mrs. Louise Richardson, age 82, of Cross Plains, passed away Wednesday, January 16, 2002, at Colonial Oaks Nursing Home in Cross Plains.

Services were held at 2:00 p.m. Saturday, January 19, 2002, at the Higginbotham Chapel with Burlie Taylor officiating. Burial was in the Cross Plains Cemetery in Cross Plains, Texas with Higginbotham Funeral Home of Cross Plains in charge of arrangements.

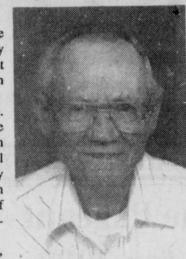
Louise was born December 11, 1919, in Cottonwood, Texas to Lewis Coppinger and Maude Shuford Coppinger. She married Bryon Fletcher Richardson on June 10, 1942 in Eastland, Texas. Byron was the City Marshall at Cross Plains when he was killed in the line of duty on August 1, 1969. Louise was employed by Cross Plains Discount Center for many years. She was a member of the First Baptist Church of Cross Plains.

Survivors include her four daughters, Charlou Cowan and Lurene McNutt, both of Cross Plains, Byrene Ferguson of Odessa, and Sharene Deshmukh of Stephenville; a sister, Minnie Cunningham of Cross Plains; 10 grandchildren, Shauna Guerrero, Michael Cowan, Michelle Rudloff, Brenton McNutt, Byron McNutt, Angela Ferguson, Gayla Rodgers, Sheila Brozek, Bailey Deshmukh and Taylor Deshmukh, and 8 great-grand-

She was preceded in death by her husband, Byron; three brothers, Tommy James Coppinger, Charles Coppinger and John Coppinger; and a sister, Winnie Lane.

Pallbearers were Alvin Hutchins, Albert Lovell, Ike Neal, Ray Purvis, Jerry Mathews, Roy Stambaugh and W.G.

The family requests that memorials be made to the First Baptist Church Family Life Center, P.O. Box 130, Cross Plains, Texas 76443 or Cross Plains E.M.S., P.O. Box 597, Cross Plains, Texas 76443.



Arvil Gartman

Mr. Arvil Gartman 69, of Cross Plains, died Saturday, January 19, 2002, in the VA Medical Center in Big Spring.

Services were held at 2:00 p.m. Wednesday, January 23, 2002, at the Higginbotham Chapel with Bob Pipes officiating. Burial was in the Cross Plains Cemetery with Higginbotham Funeral Home of Cross Plains in charge of arrange-

Arvil was born July 4, 1932, in Graham, Texas to Willie Gartman and Mae Mahan Gartman. He married Betty Miller in Graham, Texas on March 31, 1956. Mr. Gartman was employed by Jay Gartman Roofing Company in Willow Park for many years before retiring. He was a member of the Church of Christ.

Arvil never met a stranger and loved everyone.

Survivors include his wife, Betty Gartman of Cross Plains; three daughters, Jeanie Roberts and Becky Gartman, both of Abilene, and Lavon Reed of Cross Plains; two sons, Doug Gartman and Billy Hobbs of Anson; four brothers, Kenneth Gartman of San Angelo, Jay Gartman of Willow Park, M.N. Gartman of Graham and Don Gartman of Abilene; one sister, Lois Stenneth of San Angelo; 11 grandchildren and 6 great-grand-

He was preceded in death by his parents; 7 brothers; 2 sisters; and a son, Jerry Hobbs.

Pallbearers were Wayne Reed, Kenneth Ely, Bruce West, Gene Gartman, Audy Palmer and Josh

Seniors Country Western Dance in Coleman Jan. 26/29

Western Dance featuring Buck and place. p.m. at 401 E. College, Coleman.

Sytton and Country Gold on Sat- Alcohol and smoking are not urday, January 26, from 7 to 10 allowed. All ages are welcome.

Another dance will be held on Dub Meador at (254) 725-7720. Tuesday, January 29, with Joe

There will be a Seniors Country Martin's Band. The same hours

For further information contact

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AT ROWDEN

WEDNESDAY NIGHT SERVICES WILL BEGIN JANUARY 16, 2002, AT 7:00 P.M. TOPICS FOR THE FIRST FEW WEEKS STUDIES WILL BE AS FOLLOWS.

1. Is there really a God?

2. Is Genesis relevant today?

3. Did God create in 6 literal days?

4. Why is there death & suffering?

5. Do Animals Evolve?

6. Where did the "Races" come from?

7. What is the only answer to Racism? 8. Dinosaurs - in the Bible?

9. How can we raise Godly children?

Fossils & the flood - What's the connection.

11. How can we Evangelize?

12. A secular world - Part 1 & Part 2. Rowden Baptist Church has a free book entitled

"Refuting Evolution" for any student or teacher in the area who would like a copy. Call and we'll get one to you.

Pastor: Carl Mauldin www.Twoacres@itexas.net

915-356-5491

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COURTHOUSE NEWS

COUNTY COURT Roger Corn, presiding

Misdemeanor Filings

Jackie Joy, theft of property by check.

Albert Williams, Jr., theft of property by check.

Pedro M. Rojas, driving while intoxicated (DWI). Roy J. Sillers, DWI.

Laura Thomas, resisting ar-

Misdemeanor Minutes

Teresa Perez, Garcia, motion to dismiss motion to revoke probation granted.

James Edgar, motion to dismiss motion to revoke probation granted.

Jeremy Martin, motion to revoke probation granted.

John Litchfield, motion to revoke probation granted.

Robin Denton, motion to revoke probation granted. Pedro Rojas, plea of guilty to

DWI, 2nd, 15 days in jail, \$300 fine, \$218 court costs. Roy Sellers, plea of guilty to

DWI, 2nd, 10 days in jail, \$1000 fine, \$218 court costs. Robert McGuiness, motion to dismiss to theft of property by check granted, case dismissed

Callahan County **DPS Report**

unable to indentify.

Calls received by the Callahan County Department of Public Safety from January 6, 2002 through January 12, 2002 in-

Cases Investigated Warnings-104 Complaints-99

Public Intoxication-1

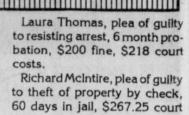
Vehicle Accidents There were six vehicle accidents investigated during this

time span. People Arrested On **Outstanding Warrants** There were five outstanding warrants issued for a total of

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\$1,340.00 collected.

"Where's Mom?" She looks for her sometimes and I hug her close to me. I remember that my mother's hands stroked this little dog; that my mother loved Brandy with all her heart (she is so easy to love) and I decided again, that I will always keep this little stick of dynamite. After all, I made a promise, with love, to Fada Nickel (our Mom) on March 10, 2001. Mom, your "girls" miss you and love you!



Richard McIntire, plea of guilty to driving while license suspended, 60 days in jail, \$292.25

Marriage Licenses

Eric John Elskamp of Abilene and Laci Lea Stallings of Clyde.

42nd DISTRICT COURT John Weeks, presiding

Civil Filings

Sears, Roebuck and Co. vs. Judy A. Drummond, default on

Jeff and Cecelia Ziehr vs. Gwen and Jason Barrett, individually and dba Four Winds Construction, breach of contract.

Glenda Alexander Snyder and Donald Eugene Gartman, di-

Criminal Minutes

Order discharging defendants from probation: Scott Tony Chavarria, John Samuel Brown, Carolyn Rose.

Derryl W. Boyd, plea of guilty to possession of anhydrous ammonia in an unapproved container, 7 years in prison, \$201 court costs.



Stated Meeting 1st Thursday, 7:30 p.m. www.cross-plains.tx-mm-org www.gltexas.org

Sec. (254) 725-7530

wora Sponsored By:

John 3:16 For God so loved the world that he gave is only begotten son that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting

Dean Brannan

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

11:00 a.m. Worship Service The Mountains and Valleys

6:00 p.m. Evening Worship

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N. Main (Hwy. 206) Cross Plains, Texas Sunday School - 9:30 a.m. Worship - 10:45 a.m. Rev. C. Michael Redd, Pastor

Sunday's Sermon Rev. C. Michael Redd will be back

We had our residents' monthly birthday party last Friday. Bob McCowen provided the music and everyone joined in with the singing, clapping and just enjoyed the fellowship. Residents who had a birthday were Vera Belyeu, Bulah Ferguson and Jo Boatright.

Norma Jean Egger spent the day with us. It was a pleasure having her here. She played Bingo and won and joined in with us during the birthday party.

We would like to express our heartfelt sympathies to the family of Louise Richardson. Louise was a special lady and will be truly missed. May the love of friends bring you comfort and may God's love give you peace.

A warm welcome to our new residents, Leona Turner, Leona Hopkins and Myrtle Hoggett. Welcome ladies! We're proud to have you here at our facility.

Appreciation to J.D. Moore for the turnips.

June and Charlotte Gardner and Robert Harris of Coleman visited Roy Gardner.

Dean and Mary Brannan visited with Leona Hopkins.

Evelyn and Emily Harris visited Frank Bartek.

James and Sherry Evans of Rising Star, Alice Lockhart and Tricia Lockhart of Austin,

Russell and Shanon Lockhart of Pflugerville, Carol Owen of San Marcos and Sandy Clevinger of Lago Vista visited with Myrtle

Brian Curry of Abilene and Deborah Griswold of Hawley visited Deen Haddox.

Everett Wilcoxen of Ranger visited with Delilah Goble.

Misty Callaway visited every-

Cord, Kimberly, and Aspen Woerner of Godley visited with Blackie Reynolds.

Activities

MONDAY: Bingo winners were Clifford King (2), Ruby Harrell, Norma Jean Egger, Jessie Casey (2) and Donie McCowen. Exercise class.

TUESDAY: Art class. Singing with Dorothy Reynolds.

WEDNESDAY: Sing-a-long with Bob Wallace and Dean Brannan. Exercise. Dominoes. THURSDAY: Manicures. Ball

FRIDAY: Bingo winners were Mary Wheeler, Clifford King (2), Jessie Casey (2) and Donie McCowen. Popcorn and Domi-

SUNDAY: Pioneer Pentecostal Church

Those who are pure in their thinking are happy they will be with God.

COTTONWOOD NEWS

BY WALLACE BENNETT

Surprise, Surprise Surprise! Mary Ella Weaver won the lucky draw in the new Beta Sigma Phi (sorority) "Dessert of the Month" contest. (See photo and story in this issue of the Review).

If you missed the Cottonwood Musical last Friday, you missed a good one, according to Mary Ella Weaver, who serves as master of ceremonies for this monthly event of entertainment. "We had lots of good music and food and everyone had a good time visiting and listening to our excellent musicians. In addition to the regulars who come to play, we had two new musicians, Dianna Seymore of Bangs and Gene Stephens of Merkel," she said.

Weldon Bennett of Brownwood also attend the musical and enjoyed visiting with old friends. He is a native of Cottonwood, the son of the former Mr. and Mrs. Levi Bennett.

I had a nice long talk with Elvis Scott recently. He grew up two miles north of Cottonwood and went to school at Last Chance (Cedar Bluff) Cottonwood and Atwell. Elvis had a sharp memory of old Cottonwood and the families of a generation ago and shared some good stories. One story he related was about his ventures in the U.S. Army during World War II in Germany. He must hold the record of being a POW with the shortest term of

captivity, but unfortunately, it is not recorded. During the Battle of the Bulge, while on patrol one night, Elvis said he was captured by the Germans, but released the next morning because his American patrol came back and the Germans didn't want to get caught with an American POW.

He was a POW less than 24 hours and didn't even get in the record books.

I learned also that the old Cottonwood Cemetery is not the only burial place in this part of Callahan County where the our ancestors buried their loved ones. There are several private (family) grave sites around. He named a few, but, many of them are unmarked. Sounds like ground for some interesting and historical tales of old Cottonwood.

I intend to visit the Cottonwood Quilting Club meeting this Thursday. I need to find out how much money the Club's quilt sold for at the West Texas Rehab auction, and I have a sneaking suspicion that Mary Ella will share her buttermilk pie winnings with her quilting friends, if she resisted the temptation to eat it before hand. She said she didn't need the calories. Neither do I. But, I don't mind helping out a friend.

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

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QUIPS, CLIPS & COMMENTS

By KAY MOSLEY

Parliamentarian of the Cross Plains Garden Club is Audrey Lovett.

"Words, Words and Worlds of Words"

There are quite a few old axioms that still come up ever oncein-a-while such as "Speak softly and carry a big stick," which is accredited to Theodore "Teddy" Roosevelt. "Tread softly and carry a loaded gun," sounds more like it to me, in the aftermath of the September 11 tragedy. Howprobably very feasible way back to be from the wild west, the difference is, a lot of us are "just not young anymore". You read it here first, folks.

Then there's "I have not yet begun to fight,"; "Give me liberty or give me death,"; "Remember the Alamo,"; "A stitch in time saves nine,"; Anything worth doing is worth doing right,"; and "If you can't say something nice about someone, don't say anything at

I was brought up on those last two. I think a good variation of

"Speak softly and carry a big stick," (with tongue in cheek), would be "Chew slowly and order a BIG THICK STEAK!"

Perhaps in the distant future our tragedy of 9-11 and our subsequent reactions afterward will eulogize the words, "Proud to be

an American". Catchy phrases, names and titles seem to remain in our memories much longer than the staid, plain ones.

These words of a song I heard as a teenager have always fascinated ever, carrying a loaded gun was me. They are "Penelope Candace is her name but they call her when the wild west was young. Penny Candy." We had an elderly Of course, some of us still claim lady as a neighbor in Baird when I was growing up whose first name was unusual, it was Parthenia.

Interesting names of interesting people and interesting or catchy phrases; I don't know just how important they are to you but you might just think about it for a while. You know someone's name might be Rusty Leaf, Glory Vines, Hall Long, Rocky Street, Stormy Shores, Cotton Boles, Woody Branch, Ima Hog, Willow Branch or Red Wood. You name it, it's a possibility.

PIONEER NEWS

week. We then will start on Lou's knee is going well.

Thanks to all who bid on them.

There will be lots of "84" playing "60". Congratulations to you! and there is always plenty to eat. We did not have much news this

Cowan and Laverne enjoyed week. So see you all next time.

The Quilting Club ladies are their grandchildren's, Travis and still working on Olena's "String Arlene Parson of Florida, visit in Quilt". It should be finished this December. Cowan and Laverne spent a quiet day at home Christ-"Barn Door" quilt. We are going mas Day. Their granddaughter, sorta slow, due to several of our Melissa Hutton and friend, Laura, members being sick. Charlene is of Georgia came the 26th of Deat home now. The rehab on her cember. Thirty-six family members gathered on the 29th at the If you did not see the quilts on Hutton's for a big dinner, visiting, the West Texas Rehab auction etc. Oh yes, the couple celebrated Saturday, you missed something. their 60th wedding anniversary We were proud of the quilt we December 23rd. They recently donated. The Sabanno and Cot- returned from a trip through the tonwood quilts were pretty, also. Hill Country and the Texas Val-

This Thursday will be game We all want to wish Cowan and night at the community center. Laverne many more anniversa-Come on out and join the fun. ries. Not many make it to the big

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Alta Marie Booth Brown Yes! Cross Plains folks have outdone themselves. I had some Collier and Ann Watson - In books you'd be interested in, but Memory of Lee Wayne Wheeler that can wait. We'd rather boast about our town and its willing-William and Norma Gibson - In ness to help with projects that make our library "the best little Ken and Terri Hunter - In library in Texas"! Let me say it

MA & PA

By JAMES NICHOLS

Does vampires exist? Well, I With the ease of a mosquito, he have come to believe that maybe they do.

I have spent quite a few days in the hospital in the last seven years, and on my last two-day stay, I started paying attention to just what was taking place after sunset (the vampire's hours).

The sun had barely set, when in came a lady with her little tray of tubes; she quickly extracted three tubes from me. It was around 11:00 p.m. and I was just getting off to sleep, when in popped a young man with his tray of tubes. just what becomes of it.

NAME:

quickly filled up three tubes. Well, wouldn't you know it, along about 4:30 a.m. I awoke to my name being called and gentle shaking of my arm. With an explanation that again they needed some more blood. The young lady, with some difficulty, filled two tubes and then stated, "Maybe I'd better get an extra one just in case."

Upon considering this statement-it makes you wonder if that third one is an extra---or---

Local Lady's Granddaughter on CJC President's List

was one of several Cisco Junior record on a 4.0 system. College students who were Jolianne is the daughter of ter of 2001.

Students making the President's

Jolianne Winstead of Coleman List have made a straight "A"

named to the recently released James and Jody, Winstead of President's list for the fall semes- Coleman and the granddaughter of Janette Turner of Cross Plains.

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BREAKTHRU

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

Happiness can be thought, sought, taught and caught - but not bought! We may question the first four, as for whether or not happiness can be thought, sought, taught and caught, but there's no question about the last one. It cannot be bought!

Many times we get the idea that money can buy anything but among the things it cannot buy is happiness. Of course we may think it can if we fail to understand what happiness really is - I mean true happiness. We are liable, for instance, to equate earthly possessions - purely material things - with happiness. In doing so, we are also liable to go climbing up the ladder to find, upon reaching the top, that it's leaning against the wrong wall!

Perhaps a few lines from Hawthorne contains "more truth than poetry" as he wrote: "Happiness is like a butterfly, which when pursued is always just beyond your grasp, but which if you will sit down, will quietly light upon you."

Jesus gave the true prescription for happiness in what we call the "Beatitudes" or "happy attitudes." It involves being poor in spirit, being meek, hungering and thirsting for (God's) righteousness, being merciful, pure in heart, a peacemaker - and even being persecuted because of righteousness. All this involves a seeking - but not a buying!

Come seek real happiness - and find it! - along with us. We really do care about you, too!

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IT'S A GIRL

Chris and Amy Barbour of Edmond, Oklahoma are proud to announce the birth of, their daughter, Mia Julliet Barbour. She was born January 18, 2002 at 2:08 a.m. in Mercy Hospital in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma. Mia weighed 4 pounds and 8 ounces and was 18 inches long.

Maternal Grandparents are John and Margaret Chesshir of Edmond, Oklahoma and Great-grandparent is Charlene Chesshir of Cross Plains and the late James Chesshir.

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C.P. STUDENT REVIEW

Lady Buff Basketball

hosted May and were defeated by the score of 52 to 41. They got off to a slow start and had to play catch-up the entire game.

The girls shot 27 percent from 16. the field, 13 of 29 from the free throw line, and had 25 turnovers.

These obstacles were hard to overcome. The Lady buffs cut the lead to 5 beginning play in the 4th quarter, but foul trouble and the free throw line kept them from cutting into the lead the rest of the way.

Scorers were Bailey 19, round of Girls 10-1A are: Richards 10, Winfrey 7, Dillard 2, Parker 2 and Hartman 1.

On Friday they traveled to Baird and lost 74 to 37. The girls played a pretty good 1st quarter, trailing by 6, 20 to 14. Second quarter

On Tuesday the Lady Buffs play began with turnovers and serious foul problems. They only shot 29 percent from the field for the game and were 50 percent from the free throw line at 8 for

All year long they have shot over 40 percent from the field inside the 3 point line and they have had a couple of tough shooting games in a row.

Scorers were Bailey 11, Richards 10, Dillard 8, Thomas 3, Winfrey 3 and Vasquez 2.

District standings after the 1st

Baird 4-0, 23-2 Cross Plains 2-2, 10-8 Ranger 2-2, 10-8 2-2, 14-9 May

0-4. Gorman Submitted by Mike Cavender



VARSITY BUFFS IN ACTION AGAINST THE MAY TIGERS—Joseph Dillard (41) jumps for the ball, as team mates, Josh Hopkins (12), Chris Harris (22) and Tim Butler (far right) wait for the tip.

Runnin' Buffs In Top of District Basketball

The Cross Plains Buffaloes got and 7, respectively. off to a shaky start with a tough loss to Ranger in their first district basketball game. But the Runnin' Buffs have come on strong to win their next three games.

The Buffs traveled to Gorman and defeated the Panthers 51 to 41. Joseph Dillard led the scoring with 15 points followed by Josh Hopkins with 9, Jose Mauricio 6, Tim Butler 5, Chris Harris 4 and Dusty Dickson 2.

The Cross Plains boys basketball team won two more games this week to move their district record to 3-1.

On Tuesday the Buffs beat May 48-34 at home, led by Josh Hopkins with 21 points. Kevin Wilson and Joe Dillard added 8

On Friday night Cross Plains went to Baird and came out with a dominating 52-34 win Aaron Norris led the way with 20 points, including four 1st quarter 3pointers. Dillard and Wilson had 14 and 9 for the night. The win gave the Buffs a stronghold on 2nd place in district after the first half of district play. The Buffaloes have a chance to tie for the district lead with a win against Ranger Tuesday night in Ranger.

Playing for the Buffs this year are: Seniors - Joseph Dillard, Kevin Wilson, Tim Butler, Josh Hopkins, Aaron Norris and James Ross; Juniors - Dusty Purvis, Chris Harris and Nathan Joy; and Sophomore - Jose Mauricio.

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SCHOOL BOARD MINUTES

The Cross Plains I.S.D. Board of Trustees met in a regular meeting with the following members present: Vicki Dillard, Susan Schaefer, Donnie Dillard, Scott Childress, Jim Cook, Monty repair and other improvements. Richards and Tony Wyatt.

The following administrators and guests were also in attendance: the superintendent, high school principal, elementary principal, and guest, Susan Hartman.

Prayer was led by Jackie Against 0 Tennison.

Motion was made by Richards and seconded by Cook that allow for the Miss Valentine Pageant. For 7 Against 0

Motion was made by Childress and seconded by V. Dillard that Purchashing Co-op. For 7

Against 0

Motion was made by Cook and adopt TASB update 67. For 7 journ. Against 0

Motion was made by Wyatt and seconded by V. Dillard that we amend F-71 to \$88,000 for A/C payoff and amend F-81 from \$55,000 to \$96,000, tennis court For 7 Against 0

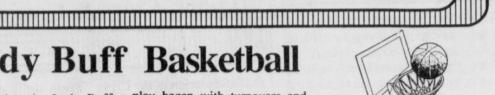
Motion was made by Childress and seconded by Cook that we accept the proposed changes for local policy for Special Programs : Bilingual education/ESL as presented by Margie Sowell. For 7

Executive session began at 7:42 p.m. and out at 9:41 p.m.

Motion was made by Richards Beta Sigma Phi use auditorium and seconded by Wyatt that we extend the superintendent's contract for 1 year 2004-2005. For 6 Against 1 Scott Childress

Motion was made by Richards we renew the contract with Re- and seconded by Schaefer that gion XIV Inter-Regional Food Gaynelle Callaway be moved from the caleteria to primary custodian. For 7 Against 0

Motion was made by V. Dillard seconded by Schaefer that we and seconded by Wyatt to ad-



Junior High Girls Basketball Action

This is the conclusion of the Cross Plains tournament.

"A" Team-1st game was at 11:30 against Gorman. The girls had a quick defense and defensive press. They missed more shots than they made. They need to improve on this skill.

1st Quarter CP 13 Gorman 6 2nd CP 20 Gorman 11 3rd CP 31 Gorman 14

Final Score CP 33 Gorman 23 Team scorers were Norris 15, Vasquez 11, Bacon 3, Adams 2 and Hutton 2.

"A" Team- 2nd game was at 4:30 against a very tall and talented Coleman team. The girls tried very hard to stay focused and not lose control.

1st Quarter CP 9 Coleman 10 2nd CP 13 Coleman 23 3rd CP 21 Coleman 40

Final Score CP 33 Coleman 50 Team scorers were Norris 9, Bacon 8, Vasquez 7, Adams 5, Isbell 2, Hutchins 1 and Hutton 1 Season Record 7-3

The girls played a hard game and I am proud of their efforts.

Monday, January 14, once again Brownwood Middle Schools took on the Cross Plains teams, but this time they brought their "A" teams.

"B" Team vs Brownwood 7th grade "A" Team- The girls started out with a good 1st quarter CP 9 - Brownwood 10. In the 2nd quarter the girls continued with a strong defense CP 14 -Brownwood 14. Things changed after the half. Brownwood put their five strong players in and they started scoring (21 points). The score at the end of the 3rd quarter was CP 18 - Brownwood 35. Then Brownwood eased up again. Final score was CP 22 -Brownwood 43. Team scorers to each child. were Douglass 9, Scott 6, Avants 4 and Randolph 3.

Brownwood was tall, fast, and received a puzzle. could make their shots. CP had scorers were Norris 6, Vasquez 5, Jackie Tennison. Bacon 2 and Hutton 2.

with both teams working a quick pace game. C.P. in the 1st quarter leaders for tomorrow. had only one basket count out of 13 shots (CP 2 - Zephyr 4). In the 2nd quarter Cross Plains out scored Zephyr 9 points to 8 points (CP 11 - Zephyr 12).

The girls were shooting many times, but the ball wouldn't fall into the hoop. In the 3rd quarter it Basketball was CP 15 - Zephyr 16. In the final quarter it was time to get this Plains held Zephyr to only 1 one game for the week. point. Final score CP 21 - Zephyr

and played well. Finding the open score of 54 to 6. player, fast breaks, working as a It was one of those games where missed shots and turnovers. Final start to finish. score was CP 42 - Gustine 72. Vasquez 16, Bacon 7 and Adams 2. Record 9-4

> Submitted by Coach Becky our favor. ' Dillard

DARE Graduation Held for 5th Graders on Monday

By Vanda Anderson Creech Editor

Twenty-one fifth graders, students of Paula Winfrey and Vickie Walker, graduated from the D.A.R.E. program, a cooperative partnership between law enforcement and the school district. The program teaches students to resist drugs and combat peer pressure. Specially trained veteran police officers teach courses in drug, gang and violence resistance techniques.

A formal graduation highlighted the completion of the educational project on Monday, January 21. Deputy Anita Mays, DARE Coordinator, began the by welcoming everyone. Josh Hopkins and Sarah Nixon, DARE role models and Cross Plains High School students, were introduced. They led the group in the Pledge of Alle-

Deputy Mays introduced Jackie Tennison, superintendent. Margie Sowell, elementary principal, Callahan County Sheriff Eddie Curtis, and guest speaker Tom Turner, president of Texas Heritage Bank.

Margie Sowell made some comments about the positive impact anticipated by the program.

Turner spoke to the children about the importance of finding good role models and their commitment to remain drug free. He reminded them how choices change the direction of their lives.

Five students including Terrah Augustine, Douglas Bowden, Ashleigh Gallaway, Brittany Graham and Emily Harris read their DARE essays and all were outstanding. These fifth graders were all very talented writers.

Sheriff Eddie Curtis and Jackie Tennison presented certificates

Emily Harris was announced the winner of the essay contest. "A" Team vs Brownwood 8th Callahan County Deputies acted grade "A" Team— Cross Plains as essay judges. Emily was prewas not in control at any time sented Daren, the stuffed lion, as during the entire game, the winner. Other participants

Deputy Mays presented appretheir hands full. Final score was ciation gifts to Paula Winfrey, CP 15 - Brownwood 42. Team Margie Sowell, Tom Turner, and

The students exhibited enthusi-Saturday, January 20, the Junior asm concerning the program and High "A" team girls played their openly expressed their attachfirst game at 9 a.m. against ment to Deputy Mays. The ethics Zephyr. This was a close game taught encourage young people to be upstanding individuals and

J. V. Girls

The Tuesday game vs May was game in CP's control. Cross cancelled, which left us with only

On Friday the girls traveled to 17. Team scorers were Norris 11, Baird for our last game in the first Vasquez 8, Adams 1 and Bacon 1. round of district play. It's always The 2nd game was around 7 tough to play at Baird and this p.m. against Gustine. This was a time was no different. The girls great game. The girls took control were defeated by Baird by the

quick team, but there were many nothing went right for us from

Point scorers were Clark 2, Team scorers were Norris 17, Bennett 2, Ross 1 and Wooten 1. The kids played hard, we just couldn't get any thing going in

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DARE ESSAY PARTICIPANTS— Brittany Graham (front, from left), Brooklyn Strength, Douglas Bowden, Emily Harris - Essay Winner, Terrah Augustine and Ashleigh Gallaway; Deputy Anita Mays (back, from left), Josh Hopkins and Sarah Nixon.



DARE GRADUATES—Charlie Vasquez (front, from left), Joe Wyatt, Terrah Augustine, Emily Harris, Many Rose and Brooklyn Strength; Sheena Apple (back, from left), Kay Jones, Douglas Bowden, Ashleigh Gallaway and Brittany Graham.

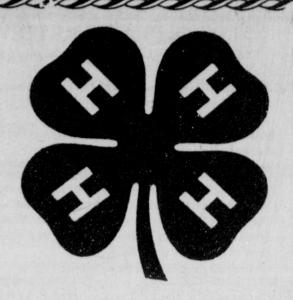


DARE GRADUATES-Stasha Draper (front, from left), Chase Worsham, Thomas Savell, Krista Phillips and Renee Salazar; Anthony Hutton (back, from left), Emerald Lewallen, Fili Vasquez, Katrina Mireles and Magan Shoe-





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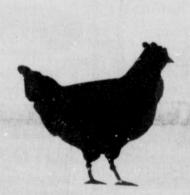
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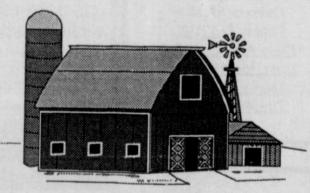












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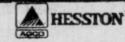
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To Outpatient Co-payments The Veterans Millennium Health Care and Benefits Act (Public Law 106-117) authorized the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) to make changes to the outpatient copayment amount.

EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY, the outpatient co-payment will be based on three different tiers of services. Co-payment amounts will range from no Copayment, \$15 (primary care visit), or \$50 (specialty care

Co-payments will not be charged when services are provided for publicly announced VA public health initiatives (e.g., health fairs) or outpatient visits solely consisting of preventive screening and immunizations. Examples of health services for which there will be no copayment are: influenza mmunization, pneumonococcal immunization, lypertension screening, hepatitis C screening, tobacco screening, screening, alcohol hyperlipidemia screening, breast cancer screening, cervical cancer screening, screening for colorectal cancer by fecal occult blood testing, and education about the risks and benefits of prostate cancer screening. Other services provided such as laboratory, flat film radiology services, and electrocardiograms are also not subject to the co-payment requirements.

A \$15 co-payment will be charged for a primary care outpatient visit when it is an episode of care furnished in a clinic that provides integrated, accessible health care services by clinicians who are responsible for addressing a large majority of personal health care needs. Patients have access to the primary care clinician and much of the primary care team without need of a referral.

A \$50 co-payment will be charge when a specialty care outpatient visit is an episode of does not provide primary care, Veteran received medical care. and is only provided through a referral. Some examples of specialty care provided at a specialty care clinic are radiology services requiring the immediate presence of a physician, audiology, magnetic optometry, resonance imagery (MRI), computerized axial tornography (CAT) scan, nuclear medicine studies, surgical consultative services, and ambulatory surgery.

If you have more than one primary care encounter on the same day and no specialty care encounters on the day, you will be billed for one primary copayment only. If you have one or more primary care encounters and one or more specialty care encounters on the same day, you will be billed for one specialty care copayment only

By TOM IVEY

For additional information, contact the Revenue Coordinator at the VA health care facility where you receive your medical care and treatment. The telephone for Big Spring VAMC is 1-800-472-

NEW MEDICATION CO-PAY REGULATIONS - The Department of Veterans Affairs is proposing to increase prescriptions co-pay from \$2.00 to \$7.00 with an annual cap of \$840.00 except for Veterans in priority category 7. Congress has determined that these Veterans (Category 7) have sufficient resources to pay for VA inpatient and outpatient care. Strange, I don't recall a single question regarding resources when the Draft notice

These new regulations will not change exemption for those Veterans who are exempt for copay at present. These Veterans

1. Veterans who have a service-connected disability rating of 50 % or more.

2. Veterans who are receiving medications for a serviceconnected disability.

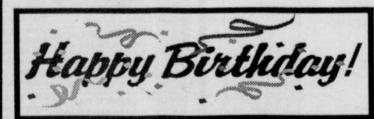
3. Veterans with income below the maximum amount of VA pensions. These new rates are \$9,556 annual for a single Veteran and \$12,516 annual for a Veteran with one dependent.

4. And a limited number of other Veterans exempt by public law

The increase is a result of the large increase in expenditures by VA for pharmaceuticals. \$715 million was spent in 1990 and while co-payments remained the same during the next 10 years, the cost for medicines rose to \$2.1 billion in the year 2000. There is some consolation in knowing that the money collected is returned to care furnished in a clinic that the VA facility where the

TAPS — Air Force Veteran Robert Lee "Bob" Carranswered the last roll call on December 23 and he was followed by WWII Army Veteran Bert Tackett on December 29. Veteran Tackett saw combat action in the Southern Philippines, Western Pacific, and Ryukyus Campaigns and was wounded at Okinawa. Condolences are extended to the families of these

> Tom Ivey Veterans Service Officer



JANUARY 25 Michael Simpson Mike Miller Jeremy Barnett Kevin Elkins

JANUARY 26 Charles Roberts Aline Wilcoxen Mrs. Ann Baum Cross DeAnn Whiteley

JANUARY 27 Tommy Hinkle Billie Helen Pittman Adriana Monrreal

JANUARY 28 Eddie Hart Colton Gallaway Tommy Brown Mrs. Albert Lovell Mrs. Ruben Belyeu Chuck Pennell

JANUARY 29 Lecland Wilson Mrs. Rayola Roberts Kimberly Wilson **Douglas Proctor**

Jimmy Chesshir Ilda Jimenez Lindsey Barnett Heather (Montgomery) Harris Laura Ricci Korbin Kennedy McLean Bree Dillard

JANUARY 30 Becky (McKeehan) Bland Charlotte Fleming Tracy Archer Harry D. Lee Cory Switzer Carol Havens Ricky Rucker Whitney Kirkham Holli (Shults) Gaines

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CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

November 6, 2001

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

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

Don Gosnell, Chief, gave the monthly police report. He reported sixty-two calls for service, two criminal mischiefs, three thefts, two warrants served and two assaults. Thirty-six warnings and fifty-eight citations were given. By general consent the council approved the report as presented.

Bob Hill presented the month judge's report. He reported fiftyeight citations for the City, with twenty-five remaining outstanding, and sixteen reminder letters being sent. He also reported that ten remain outstanding for September, six for August and five for July. By general consent the council approved the report as presented.

Engineers met with the council to discuss an agreement between the the agreement to the council at tion carried. length. Joe Ingram moved to approve the agreement, Edwin Weiss seconded and the motion carried.

Rosa Hass, representative for the Callahan County Nutrition Project, met with the council to discuss the Nutrition Project. She informed the council that the project has served 7,640 congregate meals to the Cross Plains center for the 2000/2001 fiscal year and 6,014 home delivery meals for the Cross Plains area. She discussed the Senior Citizens Building with the council and stated that the Nutrition Board did not want to be involved in the way the building was used, but ask that the seniors be provided a place to have their meals. She also discussed the rules for use of the center. She asked the council to consider raising the annual contribution from \$4,000 to \$6,000, when the council began working on their new budget. She thanked the council for their time and considerations.

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. He presented the council with a the council that the Housing Authority has requested \$2,000.00 for the cost of the wall and will know if it will be approved by December of 2001. The council instructed Mr. Mosley that once the Housing Authority's budget was approved and they knew an exact amount that the council would consider an amount to help with the balance.

Keith Lawrence met with council and informed them that Terri Thomas, EDC director, has resigned her position as of October 31, 2001. He also informed the council that the EDC board has elected him as President of the board to finish out the term of Steve Mack, and also elected Debbie Gosnell as Vice President to fill his vacancy.

Debbie Gosnell informed the council that the office typewrite was in need of repair. By general consent the council instructed Debbie to have the typewriter repaired.

The council discussed tree trimming for the streets and alleys. Edwin Weiss moved to purchase

the truck and chipper for \$15,000, if acceptable with Rodney McCarty. James Nichols seconded and motion carried.

Discussion was held concerning employee compensatory time. James Nichols moved to purchase up to 50 hours from each employee if they desire to sell their comp time in December and to purchase up to 100 hours of comp time from Don Gosnell in November. Edwin Weiss seconded and motion carried.

Ora Breeding met with the council to discuss the trees, brush and weeds that have accumulated on the Sohns property located to the west, southwest and northeast of her property. She voice concern that if lightning were to strike, it could cause a fire hazard for the surrounding homes. Discussion was held at length concerning the fact that the property was still not settled in the Sohns Estate and that it was hard to get them to do anything with the property at this time.

James Nichols moved to pay the Ken Martin of Jacob and Martin bills. Jerry Cassle seconded and motion carried.

Edwin Weiss moved to adjourn. firm and the City. He explained Dean Dillard seconded and mo-

Ray Purivs, Mayor ATTEST: Debbie Gosnell, Secretary

December 4, 2001

This was a regular meeting of the Cross Plains City Council. All members were present except for Joe Ingram. Minutes of the last meetings were approved as read. The mayor called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

Don Gosnell, Chief, gave the monthly police report. He reported seventy-nine calls for service, three criminal mischiefs, one terroristic threat, three thefts, one burglary of a vehicle, one assault, two warrants served, one prowler call and three gas driveoffs. There were forty-six warnings and eighty-one citations given. By general consent the council approved the report as presented.

Bob Hill, Judge, presented the monthly judge's report. He reported eighty-one citations for the City, with forty-five remaining outstanding and ten reminder letters being sent. He also reported that five remain outstanding for October, seven for September and six for August. By general consent the council approved the report as presented.

Keith Lawrence, EDC Presicost estimate. He also informed dent, met with the council to inform the council that the EDC board would begin taking applications for a new EDC director and would accept applications through December 17, 2001. He informed the council that several cities have begun utilizing the city office for this matter and asked the council to consider this possibility. He stated that he did not need an answer at this time, but would appreciate their consideration of this matter.

> Debbie Gosnell presented the council with the appraiser's estimate on the damage to the City vehicles caused by the recent hail storm. By general consent the council agreed to have the vehicle fixed at the paintless dent repair

Edwin Weiss moved to pay the bills. Dean Dillard seconded and motion carried.

Edwin Weiss moved to adjourn. Jerry Cassle seconded and mo-

tion carried. Ray Purvis Mayor

ATTEST: Debbie Gosnell, Secretary



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TDH rabies bait drop program will include Callahan County

As the red rays of dawn stretch 1994 to 18 in 2001 through across the Texas sky, personnel of the Oral Rabies Vaccination Program (ORVP) from the Texas Department of Health (TDH) take flight. Their mission: Drop about 2.75 million baits filled with oral rabies vaccine across 30,000 square miles in 48 South and West-Central Texas coun-

,000.

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Counties in the 2002 West-Central Texas vaccine distribution area are: Andrews. Bandera. Brewster, Brown, Callahan, Cole-Comanche, Crane, Crockett, Eastland, Ector, Gillespie, Glasscock, Howard, Kerr, Kinney, Lampasas, Llano, Martin, Mason, Maverick, Medina, Midland, Mills, Mitchell, Nolan, Pecos, Reagan, Real, San Saba, Taylor, Terrell, Upton, Uvalde and

Counties in the 2002 South Texas vaccine distribution area are: Brooks, Cameron, Dimmit, Duval, Hidalgo, Jim Hogg, Kenedy, La Salle, Maverick, Starr, Webb, Willacy, Zapata and

The ORVP was initiated in 1995 in South Texas where canine rabies in coyotes and domestic dogs had reached epideinic proportions in these animals and threatened to invade San Antonio and other major population areas. The next year, an airdrop began in WestCentral Texas where a gray fox rabies epidemic had been occurring since

the spread of the outbreak and then gradually reduce the number of rabies cases. "The program is really working," said TDH veterinarian Skip Oertli, ORVP director.

"Rabies in animals in South Texas had reached a high of 14 142 cases in 1995 when we began distributing oral rabies vaccine on a yearly basis to coyotes," Oertli said. "Since September 1999, we have had only one case of canine rabies in a dog from Webb County. And the numbers of gray fox rabies get their animals vaccinated cases in WestCentral Texas has against rabies each year as redropped from a high of 265 in quired by law.

Callahan

Unemployment

Total Labor Force

Total Unemployed

Total Employed

County

Dec. 1."

TDH is not alone with the goal of protecting Texans from rabies. Texas Wildlife Damage Management Services and the Texas National Guard also are contributing personnel and resources to aid with the program.

The next distribution is planned to begin Jan. 7 from the Zapata County Airport in South Texas. After approximately one week, the planes will relocate to the Pecos County Airport in Fort Stockton, and, after another week to 10 days, TDH will finish distribution flights from the Gillespie County Airport in Fredericksburg.

The airplanes used for the bait drop have a new look this year white King Airs rather than the bright yellow Twin Otters of the last several years.

"People should not be alarmed if they see small, low flying white Beechcraft King Air planes dropping small items from the sky,' Oertli said. "These harmless baits that contain the vaccine are composed of fish meal or dog food. The vaccine inside the bait cannot cause rabies in people or

Individuals should not handle these baits. People with compromised immune systems or skin disorders such as eczema could have health risks associated with handling the baits. In addition, wildlife are less likely to eat it if people have handled the baits. No reports of adverse The TDH plan was first to halt effects to pets or livestock from contact with the bait or vaccine have been reported since the program began, according to

> Staff of TDH's Zoonosis Control Division, however, is asking that anyone who comes in contact with the baits call toll free 1-877-722-6725. Each bait, which measures 1 1/2 by 1 1/2 by 3/4 inches, is marked with a warning label that includes the telephone number.

Oertli also said that owners of domestic animals still need to

3.6%

5,933

5,720

213



DESSERT OF THE MONTH WINNER- Mary Ella Weaver (left) is accepting a dessert from Denise Coulter, Beta Sigma Phi member.

Dessert of the Month Winner Recognized

Mary Ella Weaver is the first winner of the Dessert of the Month drawing, sponsored by the Beta Sigma Phi sorority. BSP member Denise Coulter delivered a buttermilk pie for the January drawing. A drawing will be held each month this year for a delicious homemade dessert and previous ticket buyers will continue to be eligible as will new

Tickets may be purchased from BSP members, at the Texas Heritage Bank and at the Subway

sandwich shop, at \$1.00 each or six for \$5.00.

tion. Mary Graves is the current

Meals On Wheels

The value of one hot supper

By Ginny Greene

Sometimes the value of a hot meal is more than the meal itself. Baird Senior Citizens Center site coordinator Delores Stewart says a "Meals on Wheels" volunteer is often the only contact a home-bound cli-

ent receives each day. Many who qualify for "Meals On Wheels" delivery have home care assistance, but several live alone. Last month, a volunteer making a regular lunchtime delivery found an elderly person on the floor with a broken hip.

This Spring, Baird will complete its 20th year of delivering hot meals to shut-in clients and serving sit down meals to Senior Center guests.

Each weekday, around lunchtime, a van from the Callahan County Nutrition Project backs up to the Baird Senior Center door at 4th and Chestnut. Volunteer drivers from the community pack carrying cases into their pickups, vans, and cars. They run the routes, delivering one hot meal a day to neighbor-

The Nutrition Project van also brings a batch of cafeteria plate meals for those who gather around the Senior Center tables for lunch. Those meals are Stewart at 8541937.

hood homes.

\$2.00 for diners age 60 and up, and \$3.00 for those under age

Baird serves 20 meals daily at the Center and delivers 52 a day on three driving routes.

Clyde and Cross Plains are also part of the Callahan County Nutrition Project. Last October the three communities served a total of 1,660 plates at their Centers, and delivered 2,479 "to go" hot meals.

Callahan County Nutrition Project works with each Senior 49 counties from Round II re-Center to honor drivers at an vised their applications for reannual Volunteer Appreciation consideration. Callahan Banquet jn April.

There is also an annual fundraiser in November to supplement matching funds for the Meals on Wheels program. All funds raised are for Project operations in Callahan County

Many times there are not enough volunteer drivers, which puts a heavier responsibility onto Coordinator Delores Stewart and whoever she can call at a moment's notice to help. Every effort is made to keep from burdening any volunteer with a double route.

If you can help deliver even one route one day each month, they need you. Call Delores

The monies raised by Beta Sigma Phi (BSP) support many community projects in Cross Plains. BSP is a national sorority and the Cross Plains chapter was started in 1975. College scholarships, purchase of eyeglasses for children in need, local food pantry support and other charitable activities are emphasized by this friendship and service organiza-

president. Submitted by Carol Bennett

County Fails to Receive Preservation Grant

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HOUSTON-The Texas Historical Commission (THC) announced Round III grant recipients of the Texas Historic Courthouse Preservation Program at its quarterly meeting on January 11 in Houston. Commissioners awarded matching grants totaling approximately \$39.2 million to 14 Texas counties to help preserve their historic courthouses.

The counties to receive funds in Round III of the program are: Archer, Cameron, Denton, Dimmit, Fayette, Goliad, Hudspeth, Jeff Davis, Lamar, Lavaca, Maverick, Parker, Val Verde and Wheeler.

Callahan County's grant application was unsuccessful during the Round III funding period.

Callahan County Judge Roger Corn said Norman Alston of Dallas, who performed Callahan County's master plan grant application, will be at the County Courthouse in Baird Tuesday, January 22 to go over all aspects of the grant application with County officials. Callahan County's Courthouse was constructed in 1929.

THC commission members awarded the majority of the \$50 million received from the Texas Legislature during the 2001 legislative session. The grants will be used for construction and building costs. As in the first two rounds, the commission plans to grant the remaining funds for courthouses: 1) determined to be highly endangered based on inspections and recommendations by THC staff to the commission; 2) to complete plans and specifications; or 3) based on other eligibility. The next opportunity for the commission to award grants will be at the quarterly commission meeting in April.

A total of 83 counties applied for grant money in Round III, requesting approximately \$195 million in assistance to preserve and restore their historic courthouses. Nine of the counties were first-time applicants, 25 counties were automatically rolled over from Round II with no changes to their application and County's grant application was one of 49 counties who revised their applications for reconsideration. Counties are scored on a variety of areas including historical significance, architectural style and degree of endangerment.

These numbers really reflect the growing interest in this important preservation program," said THC Executive Director Larry Oaks. "Communities across Texas are beginning to see the potential benefits of preserving their historic resources."

Gov. George W. Bush and the Texas Legislature created the Texas Historic Courthouse Preservation Program in 1999 with an initial appropriation of \$50 million. In May 2000, the THC distributed \$42.4 million in matching grants to 19 counties in Round I of the program. An additional \$7 million was distributed to 28 Texas counties in October 2000 in Round II.

"This program represents one of the largest and most far-reaching historic preservation initiatives ever conceived by a state government," said THC Chair John L. Nau, III. "Not only Texas but the nation can witness Texas' commitment to preserving its historic treasures. We will serve as an example for other states to follow."

Texas courthouses have been symbols of strength, pride, progress and democracy for more than 150 years. However, many of the state's more than 225 historic courthouses are in disrepair due to insufficient funding for building care and maintenance. Their plight gained national attention in 1998 when the National Trust for Historic Preservation named Texas courthouses to its list of America's 11 Most Endangered Historic

This program is truly evolving," said THC Architecture Division Director Stan Graves. "Counties that previously applied are learning how they can improve their scores. First-time applicants see the success and progress other counties experience. Our goal is to restore all of the state's historic courthouses to their former glory. They need and deserve it.

Pending additional funding from the Texas Legislature in future legislative sessions, the THC plans to continue the program with several more rounds of grant opportunities.

For more information, please visit the THC web site at www.thc.state.tx.us or contact: Architecture Division, Texas Historical Commission, 512/463-

The Texas Historic Courthouse Preservation Program was established in 1999 by Gov. George W. Bush and the Texas Legislature to restore Texas ' county courthouses to their original splendor and make them safe, functional and a source of pride for Texas communities. The Texas Historical Commission created and administers the \$100 million program.

The Texas Historical Commission is the state agency for historic preservation. The agency administers a variety of programs to preserve the archeological, historical and cultural resources of Texas.

County unemployment stays level at 3.6%

UNEMPLOYMENT

3.6%

5,937

5,724

The unemployment rate in Texas for November 2001 was : Callahan County for the month 5.2%, up three-tenths of one of November 2001 stayed level percentage point from October with the October 2001 rate of 3.6 percent, according to jobless figures released Monday, January 21 by the Texas unemployment rate rose three-Workforce Commission.

force in Callahan County, 5,720 cent in October to 5.2 percent in were employed during November 2001, and 213 were unemployed, giving the county an unemployment rate of 3.6%. The county's unemployment age points higher than last rate one year ago in November 2000 was 3.3%.

Callahan County's unemployment rate was 3.6% in October rate increased by three-tenths 2001. Of the 5,937 civilian labor of a percentage point from force in the county during August, 5,724 had jobs while 213 or 3.6% were unemployed.

in Callahan County included: national rate. The State of 3.8% in September 2001, 3.9% in August, 4.1% in July, 4.8% in June, 3.8% in May, 3.5% in April, 3.7% in March, 3.5% in February 2001, 3.6% in Janu- bor force in the state, total emary 2001, and 2.9% in December 2000, according to the unemployment figures.

Big Country area counties, bordering Callahan County, and those counties' unemployment rates for November 2001 November 2001. The nation's include: Brown 3.9%: Coleman, 5.5%; Eastland, 3.5%; The unemployment rate in 3.8%.

The Texas Labor Market Review said, "The Texas actual series tenths of a percentage point Of the 5,933 civilian labor vover the month, from 4.9 per-November. This is the highest November unemployment rate Texas has recorded since 1996. This month's rate is 1.4 percent-November's record low rate of 3.8 percent. Nationally, the United States unemployment October's rate of 5.0 to 5.3 percent in November. This is the second consecutive month that Previous monthly jobless rates the state rate was lower than the Texas' unemployment rate for November 2000 was 3.8 per-

> Of the 10,694,600 civilian laployment was 10,142,900 in November. The total number of unemployed in November 2001 was 551,700.

The United States unemployment rate was 5.3% in unemploxment rate for the previous month of October 2001 Jones, 2.5%; Runnels, 3.1%; was 5.0%. The United States Shackelford, 2.0%; Stephens, unemployment rate one year 3.2%; and Taylor County, 3.4%. ago in November 2000 was

Pipeline Public Education Program Set for Feb. 12th

The Pipeline Group's annual "Public Education — Contractor Awareness Program" will be held at 6:30 p.m. on Tuesday, February 12, 2002, at the Abilene Civic Center, 1100 N. 6th, in Abilene, Texas. The program will be sponsored by a group of companies with a common goal of preventing accidents and damages to underground pipelines and utilities. A free dinner will be catered by Joe Allen's Pit Barbecue for all persons involved in excavation related activities in Callahan, Eastland, Fisher, Haskell, Jones, Nolan, Shackelford, Stonewall, and Taylor counties. Following the dinner, a brief safety program will be presented which stresses the importance of accident prevention by identifying pipeline and utility rights of way, use of onecall systems, and the importance of working with pipeline and utility companies to safely excavate in the vicinity of underground facilities. The Texas

one-call system before excavating will be discussed. Sponsors will provide promotional materials; including notification information for their companies,

safety related brochures and

other safety reminders. Each year many lives are injured or lost, plus millions of dollars in repairs and lost products are incurred due to "third party" incidents - someone digging into a pipeline. Thousands of communications, some lifethreatening, may be disrupted when expensive fiber-optic cables are damaged or severed. These types of excavation can be financially devastating to the responsible party. This safety program is an attempt to help those who do excavation work to avoid such situations.

Sponsors for the program include: Alon USA LP - Chevron Pipe Line Co - Diamond-Koch Pipeline LP DIG TESS - Dynegy Midstream Services - El Paso Field Services - Equilon Pipeline

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3 CEU Sessions Offered

meeting worth 3 CEUs held on February 7th at 6:00 p.m., at the Callahan County Extension Office located on the 2nd floor of the County Courthouse in Baird. This will be a meeting covering pesticide safety issues to help producers acquire 3 CEU hours (1 IPM, 1 Laws and Regs, 1 General) to renew their license. There will be a \$5.00 registration fee to cover the cost of materials. Don't forget

There will be an educational

that some TDA pesticide applicators license will expire the end of February. If you have not gotten your paperwork for renewal you may want to contact TDA.

If you intend on participating in the educational meeting please RSVP by 5:00 p.m., on February 1st at (915) 854-

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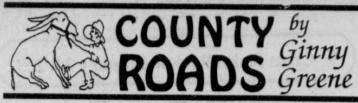


Photo shoot...

MyKeeper and I grouped around the kitchen table to look at the snapshots just developed. The photos were taken during our family Christmas holiday in Kentucky, and most of them were of five-year-old Riley. We couldn't wait to see the color prints of that cute little bundle of energy, my youngest daughter's boy.

We planned to pick out a couple of the best and send them off to friends and family that don't get to see Riley very

We especially wanted to see the series of pictures I took of Riley playing in the snow. I'd hoped to frame that rosy face smiling out of his bright snowsuit, radiant in the contrast of blue sky and a sunlit snow-

Riley was so eager to get out in the snow. Bundling up was a long process because he kept running to the window to see if the snow was still there, and who was out in it already. He wore an excited smile and happy eyes, and was much too impatient to take seriously the reminder that the thumb goes in the thumbhole of a mitten. He wanted to touch snow, catch it on his tongue, blink it out of his eyes. It was exactly that joyous face I hoped to capture with my

Outside at last, I snapped a picture of Riley brushing snow off Mama's car. Then I got a shot of Riley hunkered down, rolling a snowball. Next he was off sliding on slick ice. That Rosegreen@aol.com

quickly gave way to stomping on it. Then I was jumping back from the muddy splash that made him laugh and laugh. I missed the laugh.

Back to the snowball. It was on its way to becoming a snowman, but before it got anywhere big enough, he threw it instead. I wiped off the lens and missed capturing the devilish giggle on film.

I got a picture of Riley making snow angels and running in the snow and sitting in the snow kicking his feet in the air. All the time, he was laughing and

When I opened the envelope and spread the pictures out for MyKeeper, here's what is actually preserved for all posterity: Riley's hand as he raced off

around the other side of the car. The toe of Riley's boot as it left the smashed ice.

Three shots of Riley getting up from the snow angel - one where he's pointing to it.

I did remember calling after him, "Wait, Riley, wait," - and, "Could you do that for me

Riley moved faster than the camera's eye, and much faster than me. All I caught was him rushing off to the next point of interest. Next time. I'll have to start training ahead of time. I'll need to get myself up to speed if I'm going to catch anything other than the backside of a kindergartner chasing an adventure.

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Write Ginny

Sales & use tax totals up for second quarter of 2001

analysis for Callahan County has been reported for the second quarter of 2001 by State use tax purchases. Comptroller Carole Keeton Rylander's office on Monday, January 14.

Rylander reported gross sales, for all industries in Callahan County, for the second quarter of 2001 at \$18,041,490 which was 17.3 percent higher than the gross sales of \$15,380,085 trade division in Callahan reported during the second County for the second quarter 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.

ond quarter of 2001 for all industries in Callahan County amounted to \$124,088. 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 \$6,355,582 The

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

The number of business locations in Callahan County, with a sales and use tax permit which filed a return, was 254. There were 264 permits issued during the same quarter the previous

The gross sales for the retail of 2001 was \$10,315,875 which is 17.9 percent higher than the 2000 first quarter gross sales of \$8,749,235.

The use tax purchases for the retail trade division in Callahan Use tax purchases for the sec- County for the second quarter of 2001 was \$58,897.

The amount subject to state sales and use tax for the first quarter of 2001 was \$4,602,918 for the retail trade division in Callahan County.

The number of reporting outlets in the retail trade division in Callahan County totalled 134 for the second quarter of 2001. There were 144 reporting outlets during the same quarter in

Former Resident, Pat Moore, **Recently Spotlighted for His Successful Business** in San Antonio

was featured in the San Antonio as Branch Manager at F&D. Creech

located in north San Antonio.

famous people born there, Roy son of the late B.A. and Blanche departments. Moore and his sister ,Colleen Cross Plains.

pointment by the state represen- worth. tative to attend the U.S. Naval They wanted Pat to play football realized he gave up a wonderful opportunity because he couldn't doesn't get mad. get married for four years and

scholarship as a walk-on at Del place. duty at Fort Know, Kentucky.

the Army, during the Cuban Mis- which is real refreshing. sile Crisis. He lost one year of He sees a lot of hope for school during the military interruption. When he returned to school he had a wife and a baby, worked 7 nights a week at a theater, took a full class load, ran track on a scholarship, made ends meet and finally graduated.

started graduate school, completing all but a thesis toward a Masters of Economics.

where he was employed by Fidelity and Deposit Company of Maryland. In 1970 he transferred to San Antonio. He built a home for his wife, daughter, Angela and son, Bryan. Then he started a

EDITOR'S NOTE: The fol- World of Difference Homes. Pat lowing is some highlights from designed and built 4-5 homes per the interview of Pat Moore who year, in addition to doing his job

Construction News December In 1988 he bought the Frank 2001 issue. Vanda Anderson Jones Agency, a small company that specialized in contract bonding, which was his field. In 1997 Pat Moore is the President of he joined the Clayborn Agency, Insurance and Bonds, Inc. (IBI) under the umbrella of Insurance & Bonds. They now have 35 em-He was born in Wink, Texas and ployees and built an office to he tells everyone there were two house their bonding department, insurance department, group, Orbison and Pat Moore. He is the health, life and estate planning

Pat explained that his job is to Anderson, currently resides in take contractors who need bonds, and show them how to put their At the age of 3 Pat's family paperwork and organization tomoved to Cross Plains where he gether, in a proper way, to present remained until he graduated from themselves in the best possible Cross Plains High School in light to the insurance company. His company puts the case to-Being an outstanding athlete, he gether, and pick an insurance recalls being summoned to the company that they think will fit principal's office thinking he was the mold. His son, Bryan, is in going to be in trouble. It turned business with him and noted that out that he had received an ap- he had very good people to work

He talked about his competitive Academy in Annapolis, MD. spirit. He commented that as a young man, he didn't like to lose. and run track. Looking back, Pat As an adult, he still hates to lose an account to a competitor, but he

When he was young he wanted couldn't have a car. He had an to get out in the world, do the best orange and white 1956 Ford he could, and make his mark. Sunliner convertible that was his Today, he focuses on taking care of the people who helped him This didn't stop him from ob- along the way. By taking care of taining a college education. He employees, friends and family, succeeded in getting a football everything else tends to fall into

Mar College. He attended school Pat remarked that recently famifor two years and was about to be lies have become the focal point, drafted. He joined the Army in which was nothing new for 1959 and spent a two-year tour of those raised in the 30's, 40's and 50's. That was who you depended Then he attended Hardin- on. When someone in your family Simmons University in Abilene or even, your church family or on a track scholarship, so he could community family had a need, be near his parents. He met a lady they all rallied around and someand married during his junior how, those needs were met. Folyear. He worked, went to school, lowing the aftermath of Septemran track and they had a baby on ber 11th, Pat pointed out that we the way when he was recalled by are seeing some of that now,

America. He and his wife went to Tennessee to support some friends. Their daughter-in-law died following childbirth. She left behind a bereaved young husband, a two-year-old son and a newborn son. Following the fu-Moore graduated with a BBA in neral service, Pat told his friend, Business and Economics. He Gary, "My hope for humanity is greatly heightened today. I look at your two fine young sons, I look at your two grandsons, who He relocated to Corpus Christi now have to be raised by a single father, and I look at their friends who are surrounding them with love. I see the finest crop of young people I have ever seen in my life, today! We have a lot to be thankful for here. And thank goodness, company on the side, called A we're getting back to family and making them a priority."

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SPECIAL KIWANIS GUEST-Melinda Rice, an author sponsored by the Cross Plains Public Library, spoke to the Kiwanis Club January 15th about her research of the women who trained in Sweetwater during WWII to fly all of the military aircraft used in that war. She was introduced by Dr. Charles Rodenberger.

Christ's Community Resource Center News

with a bang. On the 8th, we help us help others. served 59 families for a total of 182 individuals. From the first thank everyone who helped us quarter of 2001 until the last quarter we increased the number of people we serve by almost 200. That is almost double. We need your help. We cannot continue to help if we don't get help. We operate totally from donations. We have utilities, rent, food, and building upkeep. I realize that everyone has given until it hurts with the disasters that have struck our country, but there are still people in our county that need help. I want to thank the Churches and businesses in Clyde that has given to us. Now we need the rest of Callahan County to help. We not only serve Clyde, but Baird, Eula, Putnam and anyone else in Callahan County. Please, we need more help from you folks out there. We've even had help from Abilene and we don't serve anyone from there. Come on, let's show our families our support. Without help we will have to stop what we are doing and a lot of families will be cold and hungry

We are looking at new ways to do things and better ways to serve the community. Our service to the needy of Callahan County will continue as long as we can keep Callahan County interested in helping each other in this time of need. More than anyone we know how rough times are now. Prices are climbing and lots of people are out of work. That's why we work as hard as we do for you. All we

Well, we started this year off ask is that when you can you

Once again we would like to through the last year. Now we need to make 2002 better than

Our GED classes are ready to begin the new curriculum when we have enough people ready to start. If you are interested call Mary Richards at 893-3040 to register or get information.

We need volunteers to help at the Center and to go to the Food Bank to help out. If you are interested call 893-3919 on Tuesdays or Nancy at 893-4601 any other time.

We want to remember in our hearts and prayers the members of Dyess AFB 7th bomber wing as they are deployed overseas. These include many of the fine folks of the 'We Care Team' that helped us with the repairs to our building. May God protect and keep them close as they serve our country and keep us safe. Please help us pray for their safe

Remember we are open on Tuesdays from 9:30 - 11:30 a.m. and 1:00 - 4:30 p.m. We take donations Mondays from 6 p.m - 8 p.m., and you can call Nancy at 893-4601 if you need to make other arrangements. Our address is 306 North 1st, Clyde and our mailing address is P.O. Box 1181, Clyde, TX 79510.

Donations were made in memory of: Gordon Smith, \$15.00; Christine Smith. \$15.00; Geneva Scott, \$15.00; and Eunice Carter, \$15.00.

3 rabies tests in **Callahan County** turn up negative

The Texas Department of Health tested three animals heads for rabies in Callahan County for the month of November 2001 and all three came back as negative for the dis-

The Texas Department of Health's Zoonosis Control Division reported one dog, one cat and one other animal was tested in Callahan County during November and all three were nega-

The Texas Department of Health reported 75 positive and 701 negative rabies tests performed in November. Of the 75 positive tests for rabies, 61 skunks tested positive, 10 bats, one dog, one bovine, one equine and one other animal tests positive for rabies

Callahan County DPS Report

Calls received by the Callahan County Department of Public Safety from January 13, 2002 through January 19, 2002 in-

Cases Investigated Warnings-101 Complaints-102 DWI-1 Public Intoxication-2

Vehicle Accidents There were two vehicle accidents investigated during this

People Arrested On **Outstanding Warrants** There were two outstanding warrants issued for a total of \$650.00 collected.

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