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EDITOR'S NOTE: Bud Dillard has contributed yet another writing for your reading pleasure. Isn't it great that we have so many locals who are talented writers? Vanda Anderson Creech

"Getting Close to Nature"

By BUD DILLARD

As a young kid, I spent alot of my time getting close to nature. Mostly on hunting adventures, Easterling at Texas Heritage but sometimes just prowling Bank to assist with medical exaround the woods looking for baby squirrels or baby coons.

The year was 1967 and on this Brownwood Regional Medical particular outing a friend named Gary and I were going to Turkey Creek to look for baby coons. We walked to the edge of town and entered the creek north of the baseball park. We would make our way along, checking hollows and holes, until we arrived at the dirt road bridge where Bob Golson lives now.

Gary and I had traveled a good way without a major discovery, but soon we located an old dead oak on top of the bank. It was ten or twelve feet tall, void of any limbs, with the top open and hol-

I shinnied up the dead tree and peered over into the hollow. Sure enough, there was a coon about a foot and a half down. He didn't move, so I figured he was asleep. It wasn't a baby, but I considered it fair game. I couldn't tell how big it was, but I didn't care. I just wanted to get it somehow.

Without my trusty .22, I had to figure some other way to get the varmint...dead or alive. I thought about reaching my arm down and jabbing it with my pocket knife, but I was somewhat concerned about losing both my knife and my hand at the same time. Thinkin fast, I slid down the trunk and sharpened a long stick. I climbed back up the tree, high enough so that my head and shoulders were above the top of the hollow. I told Gary to hand me the spear. Holding myself onto the trunk with just my legs clinched around it, I raised the stick with both hands above my head and thrusted the weapon's razor sharp tip into the coon. Luckily for the coon, my whittling wasn't that great and the razor sharp tip bent over like a wet noodle.

He let out a growl and shot out of the hollow like a fireball from a Roman candle. As he came out, I came down, but my cat-like reflexes enabled me to land directly on my back, temporarily releasing the available oxygen in me that I was pretty used to having.

The coon high-tailed it down the dry creek bed. I took in a big gulp of air, grabbed the stick and fell in after him. I was pretty speedy in those days, and after a few yards I closed the gap on the loping coon. In full stride, I whacked him on the back--- one whack then, two whacks. I guess two · whacks was his limit because before I could whack him again, he turned around, reared up on his hind legs, and squalled. I threw the stick in the air and took off in the opposite direction. After running a few yards, I looked back to see how close he was, but he was going the other way. So I turned

week the Democratic Party Primary Election on Tuesday, See Down Home Page 3

Hardwick

**locations March 12** The polling places for the March 12, 2002 will only taking Democratic Party Primary Elecplace at four voting locations. tion have not changed, accord-In fact, all seven voter locaing to Callahan County Demotions in Callahan County will be cratic Party Chairman Jon open from 7:00 a.m. until 7:00

Democrats to vote at

Tuesday, March 12, 2002

**Democratic Primary Election** 

Callahan County Polling Places

Precinct #1, Clyde Lions Club Building

Precinct #3, Baird Activity Center in Baird

Precinct #5, Putnam Community Center

Precinct #7, Oplin Community Center

Precinct #4, Cross Plains Community Center

Precinct #6, Clyde Southside Baptist Church

Precinct #2, Eula Lions Club Building

p.m. Tuesday, March 12. 'The polling places are the "Voting Precincts #1, 2, 3, 4, same as in prior primaries, in all and 7 will share the same buildprocincts, "Hardwich ing with the Republican Farty It was mistakenly reported last be maintained for each party,"

Primary and separate areas will Hardwick said.

Waggoner This Friday There will be an official Oath of will be a great opportunity to get acquainted and welcome her to

> the community. Refreshments will be served and everyone is cordially invited to attend.

Official Ceremony for

Postmaster Amanda

Office Ceremony for Amanda

Waggoner, Postmaster at Cross

Plains on Friday, March 1, at 1

If you haven't met Amanda this

p.m. at the local post office.

Love Fund

Established

for Sidney

**Easterling** 

penses incurred.

a malignancy.

A love fund has recently been

Sidney is currently in

Center undergoing treatment for

She would appreciate your as-

sistance, and your prayers on her

**Driver Safety** 

**Program Set** 

This is short notice, but on

Monday and Wednesday, March

4th and 6th, at the Senior Citi-

zens Center at 108 Main Street,

Cross Plains from 1 to 5 p.m.

each day a 55 Alive Driver

Joe Howser will be the instruc-

tor and the fee per person is

\$10.00. All persons 50 and older

Completion of the program will

allow you a 10 percent discount

on your vehicle insurance pre-

Roping Club

Cross Plains Roping Club will

have a meeting Saturday; March

There will be a business meet-

ing to discuss the upcoming 2002

Everyone is welcome to come

and bring your horse to do some

**Meets This** 

Saturday

2, at 3 p.m. at the arena.

Safety Program will be held.

are welcome.

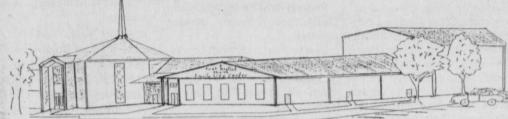
established for Sidney McClure

## **Early voting** is now underway

Early voting for both the Democratic Party and Republican Party Primary Elections is underway now through March 8 at three early voting locations in Callahan County.

Early voting is taking place at the Callahan County Clerk's Office in Baird, the Justice of the Peace office in Clyde and the Justice of the Peace office in Cross Plains. Early voting will be held from 8:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday. Early voting officials remind Clyde and Cross Plains residents the early voting locations at the Clyde and Cross Plains JP offices will be closed during the lunch hour.

through March 8 for both Primary Elections. The Democratic Party Primary and Republican Party Primary Elections will take place in Callahan County on Tuesday, March 12,



## First Baptist Breaks Ground for Family Life Center

First Baptist Church of Cross event. Plains will hold ground-breaking ceremonies for the new Family 20, the members of First Baptist Life Center Building on Sunday, Church approved the proposed March 3. This special event will construction of the new building. be part of their morning worship service. Following an abbrevi- cupy the open land space north of ated morning worship service, the congregation will move outdoor to the new building site for the ground-breaking ceremonies. The public is invited to attend this

On Sunday morning, January The Family Life Center will octhe current church building. The 11,500 square foot building will include a large gathering place, rest rooms, eight meeting/class-

rooms, kitchen, large fellowship hall and a gym-type activity center. Initial planning for the facility began in 1990.

This new facility will be dedicated to the ministry of reaching individuals and families for Christ. It will serve all ages in many activities and is intended to be a blessing to the congregation and community.

### \$1.14 million Okayed for Depot makeover

The building rehabilitation of any money. the 1911 Texas and Pacific Railroad Depot in Baird is among the area projects approved by the Texas Department of Transportation, to receive federal

The total cost for the makeover is \$1,480,630.00 of which fed-Early voting will continue eral funding will provide \$1,142,573.00. The value of the Depot will be used as Callahan County's in/kind donation.

The County did not pledge any monies to this project and The Baird Foundation has pledged to raise the remaining balance. Callahan County will not be out

The Baird Foundation is: Betty Henson, president/CEO; Nancy Young, vice president; Harold Hass, treasurer; Trish Duque, secretary; Dick Vestal, Sammy Edington, and Fred Goble. Others helping with project and thanks to: Tom Ivey, Save Our Depot; Jon Hardwick, City of Baird mayor; Roger Corn, Calla-

han County Judge; Rick Weatherl, Abilene Architect; Brad Patterson, Texas Historic Commission; Karl Kamatsu, Ft. Worth Architect; Morehead, Abilene Attorney; and Elizabeth Grindstaff, City of

Abilene Planning and Development Office.

The Department of Transportation spokesman Mark Cross said the program funds "nontraditional" transportation projects, such as bicycle and pedestrian trails, landscaping and scenic beautification, and historical preservation.

The Baird Foundation is very excited about receiving this funding and any tax deductible donation for the Depot project can be made to The Baird Foundation, P. O. Box 601, Baird, TX.

## **Ethel Sim's Services** Held Locally Tuesday

gional Medical Center in Church. Brownwood, Texas.

the Coleman Cemetery with Higginbotham Funeral Home of Cross Plains in charge of arrange-

Ethel was born January 9, 1905 in Llano, Texas to James R. Starnater and Lena G. Billings

Ethel Sims, 97, of Cross Plains, Starnater. She married Clyde D. passed away Sunday, February Sims on June 12, 1929. She was a 24, 2002, in the Brownwood Remember of the Presbyterian

Ethel came to Cross Plains in Services were held at 3 p.m. 1925 and worked as a secretary Tuesday, February 26, at the for a lawyer for 4 years. In 1937 Higginbotham Chapel with John she went to work at Citizens State Swift officiating. Burial was in Bank and worked there until she retired in 1976.

She is survived by her sister, Velma Mae Winchester of Andrews; 1 nephew and 3 nieces.

She was preceded in death by a brother, Lavon "Brother" Starnater, and two sisters, Effie Warren and Ellen Sherill.

Pallbearers were Jim Fleming. Robert Grider, Rolan Jones, Jackie Thomas, Greg Turner and John Howard Balkum.

Memorials may be made to the West Texas Rehabilitation Center, 4601 Hartford Street, Abilene, Texas 79605-9989.

### Filings for **Two Local Elections** Reported

Incumbent Monty Richards is the only school board trustee candidate for Cross Plains I.S.D. to file at this time. The 3-year terms of Scott Childress and Richards are expiring.

In the city election incumbents Jerry Cassle and Mayor Ray Purvis have filed. The 2-year terms of the mayor and councilmen, Cassle and Dean Dillard, Capiting.

Those desiring to run in these elections may file by March 20, 2002. School board trustee candi-



SOLO ENSEMBLE PARTICIPANTS —Hayli Foster (from left), Kandra Poole, A.J. Carouth, Angela Swift and Michelle Hoan. Erin Stephens was unavailable for the

### Students Do Well at Solo and Ensemble Competition

Band Solo and Ensemble was Ensemble Competition in San held at Howard Payne University Marcos on May 27th. on February 9th. Students competing and their ratings are:

A.J. Carouth - alto sax solo, Class 2 Division 1 Rating Michelle Hoan - flute solo, Class 2 Division 1 Rating Kandra Poole - trumpet solo, Class 1 Division 2 Rating.

Vocal Solo and Ensemble competition was held at Howard Payne University on February 16 as follows:

Hayli Foster - Class 2 Soprano Solo - Division 1 Rating

Angela Swift - Class 1 Soprano Solo - Division 1 Rating Erin Stephens - Class 1 Soprano Division 1 Rating.

Erin Stephens and Angela Swift will advance to the State Solo and

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## COURTHOUSE NEWS

**COUNTY COURT** Roger Corn, presiding

Misdemeanor Minutes

Rebecca Mantooth, order extending probation granted. Roosevelt Portee, motion to

revoke probation granted. Mary Jane York, motion to withdraw as surety and application for warrant granted,

Michael V. Williams, motion to dismiss motion to revoke probation granted.

End of term order discharging defendants under deferred adjudication: Chris Bentley, Christine Fleming, Jeffery Hohhertz, Matthew Jones, Robert Brandon King, Troy McWhorter, Freddy Mendez, Jr., Daniel Wayne O'Dell, Jr., Teresa Garcia Perez, Vickey Reed, Richard Paul "Ricky" Schaefer.

End of term order discharging defendants under misdemeanor probation: Edmundo Castillo Manriquez, David Wayne Alberty, James Edgar, Crissy Roberson

#### Marriage Licenses

Jason Robert White and Bethany Maria Johnson, both of Abilene.

Donald Lynn Jander and Sherry Suzette Culpepper, both of Clyde.

Patrick David Bonney and Cindy Denise Hendricks, both of Cisco.

> **42nd DISTRICT COURT** John Weeks, presiding

> > Civil Filings

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#### The State of Texas vs. \$608.00 in U.S. currency, 1994 Dodge pickup, Ram 1B7HC16YORS576007, forfei-

Stoebner/Clause Investments, L.P. vs. Margaret E. Wallace and Allen R. Wallace, permanent injunction, declaratory judgment, suit to quiet title and damages.

Harrel Dwayne Burch and Charlotte Ann Burch, divorce.

#### Civil Minutes

Rodney Wayne Helmuth and Kerrie Lee Helmuth, divorce granted.

Sears, Roebuck and Co. vs. Tony E. Winfrey, final default judgment, plaintiff to recover from defendant the sum of \$2620.76

Amy Elizabeth Nazzareno and Thomas Angelo Nazzareno, Jr., divorce granted.

#### Criminal Indictments

Aaron M. Williams, possession of anhydrous ammonia in an unapproved container.

Daniel B. Shimp, possession of anhydrous ammonia in an unapproved container.

Timothy P. Dill, aggravated sexual assault of a child.

Timothy P. Dill, possession of child pornography.

#### **Criminal Minutes**

Jackie Mendez, order discharging defendant from probation under deferred adjudication.

#### Callahan County **DPS Report**

Calls received by the Callahan County Department of Public Safety from February 17, 2002 through February 23, 2002 in-

Cases Investigated Warnings-75 Complaints-83

Vehicle Accidents There were two vehicle accidents investigated during this

#### ADVERTISE IN THE CROSS PLAINS REVIEW

#### CHURCH DIRECTORY

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Wednesday Bible Study & Prayer Time......7:00 Matt McGowen, Pastor (254) 643-3276

Church (254)725-6266

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

Pastor: Carl Mauldin Come Worship With Us!

#### NIMROD BAPTIST CHURCH

Sponser: Pioneer Baptist Church

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

Bill Armstrong - Pastor

## RITUARIES

#### O.B. Switzer

O.B. Switzer, 85, of Cross Plains, passed away Sunday, February 24, 2002, in the Brownwood Regional Medical Center in Brownwood, Texas.

Services were held at 2 p.m. at the Higginbotham Chapel with Mike Redd officiating assisted by Bob Pipes. Burial was in the Cross Plains Cemetery with Higginbotham Funeral Home of Funeral Home. Cross Plains in charge of arrange-

Oscar "O.B." was born August Texas to Samuel Oscar Switzer and Ida Hornsby Switzer. He married Pauline Coffey in Cross Plains.

retiring.

He is survived by his wife, Pauline Switzer of Cross Plains; Brownwood since 1975. two sons, Lonnie Switzer and and wife, Sylvia, all of Cross Plains; six grandchildren, Brenda Peters and husband, Henry, David Switzer and wife, Brenda, Bryan Switzer and wife, Tracy, Kevin Switzer and wife, Kelli, and Cory Switzer, all of Cross Plains, and Clay Richardson of Albuquerque, New Mexico; six great-grandchildren, Benji Switzer and wife, Lanna of Stephenville, John Peters of Stephenville, David Peters, Kim Mosier, Chad Switzer and Sterling Switzer all of Cross Plains.

He was preceded in death by his parents and two brothers, Winford Switzer and Jim

Pallbearers were David Switzer, Bryan Switzer, Kevin Switzer, Cory Switzer, Clay Richardson, Benji Switzer, Henry Peters and John Peters. Honorary pallbearers were David Peters, Chad Switzer and Sterling

Memorials may be made to the Cross Plains EMS, P.O. Box 699, Cross Plains, Texas 76443.

### **Elections**

dates may apply in the Cross Plains I.S.D. office of the superintendent from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. During spring break, March 11-15, the office will be closed, but you may call (254) 725-7458 to make application.

City council or mayor candidates may file at the City Hall during their regular office hours.

> PUBLIC FAX at **Cross Plains** Review

#### **Bonnie Triplitt**

Bonnie Triplitt, 96, of Brownwood passed way Sunday, February 17, 2002, in a local nursing home.

Services were held at 10 a.m. Friday, February 22, 2002, in the Wednesday, February 27, 2002, Davis-Morris Funeral Home Chapel with the Rev. Dr. Gary Torian officiating. Interment was in the Greenleaf Cemetery under the direction of the Davis-Morris

Bonnie was born October 25, 1904, in Cross Cut to Walter and Nile Jo DeBusk Prater. She mar-11, 1916 in Comanche County, ried Tinney Thomas Triplitt in Coleman on December 12, 1927. She was a homemaker. She was a member of the Central United Gouldbusk, Texas on September Methodist Church; a longtime 21, 1940. He was a member of the member of the Ladies Auxiliary First United Methodist Church of of the Brownwood Regional Medical Center; and a member of O.B. was an employee of Cross the Brownwood Chapter of the Plains I.S.D. for 21 years before Order of the Eastern Star for over 50 years. Mrs. Triplitt lived in Brown County since 1942 and in

Survivors include two brothers, wife, Martha, and James Switzer John Ernest Prater and Herman D. Prater and wife, Geneva, all of Brownwood; sister-in-law, Lora Triplitt of Waco; and number of nieces and nephews and greatnieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Tinney T. Triplitt in 1975; her parents; a sister, Nona Biehl; and four brothers, Leonard, Vernon, Herschel and Rowe Prater.



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

Sec. (254) 725-7530



The Great Invitation Luke 14:22-24 And the servant said, Lord, it is done as thou hast commanded, and yet there is room. And the lord said unto the servant, Go out into the highways and hedges, and compel (urge) them to come in, that my house may be filled. For I say unto you, That none of those excuse makers shall taste of my supper.

## **ROWDEN BAPTIST CHURCH**

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WEDNESDAY NIGHT SERVICES STARTING AT 7:00 P.M. STUDY TOPICS 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 915-356-5491 www.Twoacres@itexas.net

VISIT OUR WEBSITE AT: www.rowdenbc.com

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## 7th Anniversary Revival at Hwy 206 Baptist Mission

The Highway 206 Baptist Mission will be holding their 7th Annual Revival on February 28, March 1 and 2. Dwaine Clower will be the evangelist and special music will be featured nightly. On Saturday, March 2, "Glory

Bound Gospel Group" from Colonial Oaks

### Services First Baptist Church will con-

duct worship services at Colonial Oaks Nursing Home on Sunday, March 3, commencing at 3:30

**Cross Plains** E. M. S. Still Need Your **DONATIONS** Towards a New Ambulance

Abilene will perform beginning at 6 p.m. Thursday and Friday night services commence at 7

Everyone is cordially invited to attend the revival. Come and be blessed by the presentation of His

## Scranton Musical Saturday

The Scranton Musical will be Saturday, March 2 at the Community Center. The kitchen will serve from 5:30 to 9:00. Joanie Shrader will be the host and will serve a special for the night. The music will begin at 6:00 with Mark Ray as emcee. All area musicians are invited to play and may call 915-693-2057 to reserve a time for your

## **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

Political advertisement paid by Jeanie Bohannon, 601 West 3rd, Baird, Texas 79504.

### For Callahan **County Judge** Roger Corn

Political advertisement paid by Roger Com, 520 Poplar, Baird ,Texas 79504.

### For 17th District Congressman Charles Stenholm

Political advertisement paid by Stenholm for Con-All political calendar advertising for the Democratic Primary Election is payable in

advance, at a cost of \$100.00. A free press release and photograph will be published one time with each announce-

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### FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

3rd & Main Cross Plains (254) 725-7629



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

11:00 a.m. Worship Service "WOW! A Day of Opportunity" Nehemiah 2:17-20 6:00 p.m. Evening Worship

> "Getting the Job Done" 1 Corinthians 3:5-9 Jimmie Mize - Interim Pastor

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

### JESUS SAID HIS PEACE

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH Van Service Available - Call (254) 725-7694



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

"God's Unconditional Positve Regard"

BY LINDA MERRITT

Mr. Foster was surprised with a birthday party Monday from his wife, Louise. Everyone enjoyed cake and ice cream while having a good fellowship together with family and friends.

Gaylon Childers from Odessa, who is a wonderfully talented piano player, presented us with an afternoon of beautiful music. playing the piano since he was a small child. God has really Ruby Harrell. Exercise class. blessed him and it is always a pleasure to have him come and with Dorothy Reynolds. play for us.

thies to the families of Ethel Sims Exercise. and O.B. Switzer.

Matthew Perrie and Elaine Hoggett visited with Myrtle

Hoggett. Bill and Virginia Pope, Wimpy McCoy and Louise Foster visited

with Nathan Foster.

Reub and Ruby McCowen from Lubbock and Pamela Gilbreath of Escondido, California visited Myrtle Owen and Donie McCowen.

Norman and Gloria Milam of Crane visited with Zelda Milam. Frank O'Banion visited with Jo

Boatright. Robert Harris visited with Roy Gardner.

Hazel Lee visited with Pauline Regian.

#### Activities

Monday: Bingo winners were Gaylon plays by ear and has been Clifford King (2), Mary Wheeler, Jessie Casey, Eric Kelly and

Tuesday: Art class. Singing

Wednesday: Sing-a-long with We extend our heartfelt sympa- Bob Wallace and Dean Brannan. Thursday: Manicure. Ball toss.

Friday: Bingo winners wee Jessie Casey, Donie McCowen, Eric Kelly, Mary Wheeler and Clifford King. Popcorn and Dominoes.

Sunday: First Baptist Church

Quality is never an accident. It's the result of intention, effort and skill.

## Locally Known Man **Texas Tech Graduate**

Ralph Walker Carter, Jr. was Music graduating Cum Laude. among the 1,317 bachelor degree recipients at the Fall 2001 commencement on December 11 at Texas Tech University.

Carter received a Bachelor of High School.

He is the husband of Michelle Carter, band director at Cross Plains High School. Mr. Carter is the band director at Eastland

## **Project Pride Needs Pictorial Postal Cancellation Designed**

Project Pride would like to offer work to be approximately 1 1/2 X a local artist the opportunity to 3 1/2 inches in size and submitted design a pictorial postal cancellation for Cross Plains Robert E. Howard Days, June 2002.

in black ink on white paper.

If you are interested, please call Howard Days, June 2002. (254) 725-6498 by Friday, March Specifications require the art 8, 2002, for complete details.

### SENIOR CITIZENS MENU



March 4 - March 8



Chews, Bread, Milk

Carrots, Green Beans, Tossed Lemon Pudding, Bread, Milk Salad, Bread Pudding, Roll, Milk FRIDAY -- Fish, Apple Cole-WEDNESDAY -- Ham & Lima slaw, Beans, Turnip Greens, Hominy, Hushpuppies, Peaches, Milk

MONDAY -- Teriyaki Chicken, Cheesecake, Corn Bread, Milk Stir Fry Veggies, Peanut Butter THURSDAY -- Oven Fried Chicken, Gravy, Mashed Pota-TUESDAY -- Lasagna, Buttered toes, Jellied Veggie Salad, Baked



### BREAKTHRU

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

Three young people who were reared on the plains and prairies of West Texas arrived in Utah believing they were seasoned mountain men-since they had crossed the Colorado Rockies! So one afternoon they decided to climb to the summit of a sawtoothed mount in the Wasatch range. Slowly and painfully they climbed, and without mishap, reached the top. But being young and inexperienced, actually, they sort of threw caution to the wind in some respects. Near the summit was a large round stone weighing maybe two tons, precariously stationed near the edge of a steep cliff. By using pry poles they were able to dislodge the stone and watch it drop, roll slowly down the mountain at first, then gathering momentum, rush rapidly down the mountain side, bouncing into trees, snapping them like toothpicks! The stone kept rolling; many times it appeared to bounce fifty feet into the air only to come down again to destroy more trees. Finally the stone was out of sight but the noise from its destructive path continued to be heard for a long while, then finally one especially loud, final roar!

The next day, upon their descent from the mountain, they saw the trail of ruined, marred, and destroyed trees; near the canyon. Only then did they wonder in fright. What if there had been people or houses along the way? What if someone had loosened such a stone above them as they were climbing up or returning down the mountain?! Look at the timber foolishly destroyed! Once the rock was started, they could not stop it and its destruc-

So it is sometimes with a word-just one word. Seemingly, it is harmless at first-but then destruction, and finally an avalanchenone of which can be recalled. James says the tongue is like a fire which sets on fire the entire course of nature-and how much wood is kindled by such a small fire! (James 3) Let us not start any fires nor stones rolling..

Come study and grow with us. We really do care about you, too!

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

BY WALLACE BENNETT

Cottonwood Calendar

Cottonwood Community will be alive and well during the month of March 2002. The Quilting Club will meet for quilting on March 7, 12, 21 and 28. The March 12 date is on Tuesday to make room for the Cottonwood Musical on Friday, March 15.

The evening's event will feature a meal of red beans and corn bread, according to Ethel Champion, president of the Quilting Club, and the music will be a lively venue for 8-10 individual musicians and group bands to offer a Country Western fare no equaled anywhere else in West Texas. So don't hesitate to come out for supper, listening pleasure and visiting with good friends. Food starts at 5:30 p.m. and music at 6 p.m.

The Cottonwood Volunteer Fire Control unit will meet at 7 p.m. on Friday, March 1. Fire volunteers help us all to live more healthy and safely. So, please support the CVFC. Come to the meeting and get acquainted.

Keep your eye on the calendar for May 4th. That's the great Memorial Weekend for the Cottonwood Community. The day will be marked by a meeting of the Cottonwood Historical Association (formerly the Cemetery As-

sociation) and other get-together events to help us renew old acquaintances and friendships. Albert Lovell, president of the association, is urging everyone who has ever lived in the Cottonwood area to come home on that weekend.

I just talked by phone to Jon Ted (Junior) Ivy, who lives in Lake Havasu, Arizona. He has marked his calendar for May 4 and vows to be in Cottonwood on that date if at all possible.

#### Other Activities Include Jones Reunion

Jack and Uva Jones have schedule a family reunion to be held at the Cottonwood Community Center for March 23.

**Humor of By-gone Days** Our forebears, the early settlers

of Callahan County, were not without their peculiar twists of humor. The following quips were published in the May 1, 1880 edition of the Callahan County Clarendon.

"Why is the indolent boy like a postage stamp? Because, you have to lick him to get him to stick to his letters."

"Peter Cooper celebrated his 90th birthday not long ago, and attributes his longevity to the fact that he has never known a sick day in his life."

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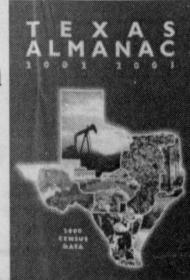
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### QUIPS, CLIPS & COMMENTS

By Kay Mosley

Most everyone, no mater where they are employed or what their profession, welcome some appreciation for their efforts. Appreciation and recognition for a job well done make for a more satisfied and satisfactory employee, as well as a delighted employer. This in turn, hopefully leads to happiness and prosperity for both employee and employer,

#### "A Little Change of Venue"

I have not written on this subject before, therefore, this will be "a little change of venue" both to this writer and to my readers.

Recently I had occasion to speak with a young woman, a very dedicated health care worker. I found her comments of great interest. Interesting to me I reasoned, then it would very likely be of interest to my readers. Of additional interest, this young woman lives and works in a city of this area.

Under discussion was the occupational duties of certain healthcare personnel. For this article, the healthcare subject is a PCA or CNA. It is a very worthy occupation, taking care of patients in both hospitals, nursing homes, etc. Though very worthy, it is also quite a difficult and stressful job. It is also a very important necessity in caring for all patients, whether extremely ill or already recuperating.

A PCA does not do the same tasks or treatments as the doctor or nurse, but they do the work for which they are qualified. The PCA's duties make the doctors and nurses' jobs go smoother and more easily as they treat their pa-

I asked the lady with whom I was talking to give me an idea of

the duties, etc. which a PCA or CNA are daily responsible. She stated they get to now their patients in turn, get acquainted with them. This helps keep the patient calm. Their responsibilities do not include giving medication. However, their job description incudes bringing fresh water and ice; they keep the patient clean and scintillating; clean the bedpans; keep the area around the patient's bed picked up; and keep the bed linens straightened. They wash the patient when necessary and keep their patients as comfortable and calm as possible. They spend time with the patient, which the doctor and nurse are not able to do. It isn't just a job, it's a calling.

Basically a PCA or CNA, besides keeping the patients clean, look after the patients' well-being and this aids the doctor and nurses in their care of the patient. It is definitely obvious to the patient what the PCA is doing is detrimental to their recuperating and healing. These aides are certainly due some attention and recognition for their efforts. So-oo-o, when the occasion arises, lets compliment their hard work and kind attention, thus giving them the recognition they deserve.

And, make sure to let the hospital know, as well, what good care your PAC gave you. By doing so, not only will this person as a healthcare employee receive verbal recognition, but perhaps some monetary recognition as well. If all patients who appreciate what their Patient Care Attendants and Certified Nursing Aides have done for them will report this fact to the hospital, they will soon realize their worth and these workers will receive that recognition. I'm going to, how about you?

took off after him again.

The chase continued until he climbed the nine foot high creek bank and disappeared into a hole near the top. The burrow wasn't deep enough for him to escape into, so he kind of wadded himself into a ball. He was what you called "holed up". I wasn't about think he had bested me. I wanted him bad, but what to do?

Thoughts raced through my mind. Suddenly I remembered a story my daddy told me about R.B. catching a live badger using a tow sack. Daddy said R.B. inverted the sack, put his hands inside, grabbed the badger, pulled him inside the now righted sack and tied the top. Did I believe that story was true? Heck yeah! I was just a kid and I was desperate. "Gary, get me a tow sack," I yelled. "I can't get no sack, we're out in the woods," Gary said. "Then give me your jacket." Being sackless, I had to make the jacket work somehow. I decided I could put a hand down each sleeve, reach into the hole, grab the coon, pull him out, wrap him

around, picked up the stick, and up in the jacket, and have epic stories told about me.

At that time it seemed like the perfect plan. I was ready! I slipped my hands into the sleeves and crawled up the dirt bank to the hole. On my knees with my feet bracing me, I yelled, "Here goes," and crammed my hands into the hole around the coon. Quickly I to just walk away and let him yanked him from his hiding place and tried to gather him up in the jacket.....WRONG!!! He was big and he was mad. He came right out to my chest, then onto my head. I screamed "Get him off," as I tumbled coon on head, over heels, backwards down the bank.

> I was pulling fur from him and he was clawing hair from me. I was screaming and he was growling. Finally I let him go....or maybe he let me go? He took off again, but this time I didn't follow. I had all the adventure I needed that day. Getting close to nature is good, but getting it off of you is even better!

I'm sure he dragged himself off somewhere and died from the severe scratching I gave him, but who knows, he may still be alive today, out there on Turkey Creek.

## 7th Year Anniversary REVIVAL

February 28, March 1, and 2 Dwaine Clower

(Evangelist)

Special Music Nightly

Thursday & Friday Services begin at 7:00 p.m.

## Glory Bound Gospel Group

from Abilene will perform Saturday, March 2, at 6.00 p.iii.

Meal after service on Saturday.

**Highway 206 Baptist Mission** 

The following administrators and guests were also in attendance: Superintendent Jackie Tennison, High School Principal Leonard Wilson, Elementary Principal Margie Sowell, guests -Nora Odom, Deanna Golson, Billie Clausen, Kathy S. Purvis, Terri Hunter, Ken Hunter, Joyce Klingberg, Roger Klingberg, Susan Holland, Julia Wheeler, Charlene Fleming, Jim Fleming, Larry Thomas, Joe Holland, Janice Phillips, Marty Callaway and Annette Nickerson.

Prayer was led by Scott

The board entered executive school year. For 7 Against 0 session at 7:12 p.m. and ended at 8:45 p.m.

ministration to meet with both For 7 Against 0 parties involved to discuss the placed on the board's agenda for tract. For 7 Against 0 March. For 7 Against 0

seconded by V. Dillard to allow table the agenda item of a full- classroom." However, only 50 the Little League Association to time technology director. For 7 do a fund-raiser in the gym on Against 0 April 6. For 7 Against 0

Motion was made by Childress seconded by Childress that we and seconded by Cook instruct- adjourn. ing the superintendent to gather

hour late.

all the information needed to let bids on the gym floor. For 7 Against 0

Motion was made by Richards and seconded by V. Dillard that we approve the PS10 TIF grant applied for technology. For 7 Against 0

Motion was made by Wyatt and seconded by Cook that the following be set: election date - May 4, 2002; Election Site - Cross Plains Community Center; Election Judge - Esther Kerr; Alternate Election Judge - approve at March meeting; Absentee Clerk -Debbie Gosnell; Absentee Site -Cross Plains City Hall. For 7 Against 0

Entered executive session at 9:14 p.m. and was out at 1:03 a.m.

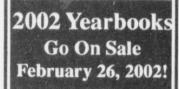
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action requested. If parties cannot and seconded by V. Dillard that survey by the Association of reach a satisfactory and mutual no action be taken on high school Texas Professional Educators understand, the matter will be principal Leonard Wilson's con- (ATPE)

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Motion was made by Wyatt and



No Extras will be ordered so be sure to get yours now! See Lurene in High School

\$30 each, payment MUST accompany annual order.

Peggy in Elementary

### Seven in Ten **Teachers Have** Students With **Disabilities In** The Classroom

Austin-While the curriculum for students is getting tougher, Motion was made by Wyatt and and the pressure to increase achievement is growing, a majority of Texas teachers are also facing the added challenge of have students with disabilities in their Motion was made by Richards classrooms according to a recent

Seventy percent of respondents Motion was made by Childress agree with the statement: "I have percent feel they are fully trained to handle such students.

"Special needs students are a valuable part of every school," says Tim Fogarty, ATPE state president. "It is very important that quality training is provided for all educations who serve these students."

"The biggest challenge in teaching students with disabilities is to remember that they are individuals who have very different and specific needs," says Patrice Rabalais, a special education teacher at Ozen High School in Beaumont. "These students deserve the same dignity and respect as all other students in the school."

The survey findings also reveal that teaches are deeply concerned about school finance, which will be a major issue during the 2002 legislative session. Of those responding, 58 percent agree a state income tax should not be created. However, nearly half say they would support a state income tax dedicated to public education if it meant a reduction in property

The survey also gauged opin- WEDNESDAY-- Eggs, Bacon, Biscuit, ions regarding working conditions, staff development, student testing and teacher certification. FRIDAY-- Breakfast Bread, Assorted It was conducted by Creative Juice Consumer Research of Houston and has a margin of error of +/-5 percent. You can find complete survey results at www.atpe.org (click "Newsroom.")

With nearly 100,000 members, ATPE is the largest educator group in Texas. Its membership consists primarily of classroom teachers, but also includes paraprofessionals, administrator, retired educators and college stu-

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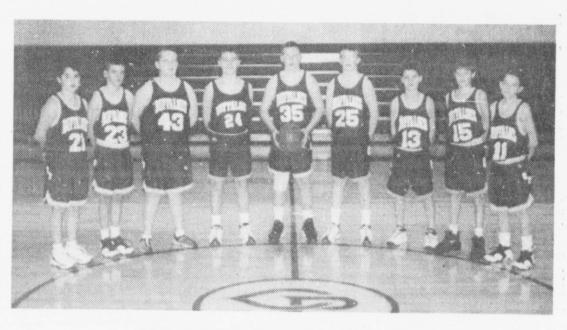
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SCHOOL MENU

March 4 - March 8

LUNCH

MONDAY -- Chicken Patty on Bun,

TUESDAY - Salisbury Steak w/Gravy,

MashedPotatoes,Peas&Carrots,Roll,Peaches

WEDNESDAY -- Enchilada Casserole,

THURSDAY-- Pizza, Salad, Com, Jello

FRIDAY -- Hamburger, Lettuce, To-

Pinto Beans, Corn Bread, Pineapples

Glazed Carrots, Pickles, Pears

mato, Pickles, Fries, Cookies

BREAKFAST

MONDAY -- Sweet Rice, Toast, As-

TUESDAY -- French Toast, Sausage, As-

THURSDAY -- Cereal, Toast, Assorted

Assorted Juice

## Ten-Star All Basketball Camp Told

Applications are now being evaluated for The Ten Star All Star Summer Basketball Camp. The Camp is Invitation Only. Boys and girls ages 10-19 are eligible to apply.

Past participants include: Michael Jordan, Tim Duncan, Vince Carter, Jerry Stackhouse, Grant Hill and Antawn Jamison. Players from 48 states and 7 foreign countries attended the 2001

College basketball scholarships are possible for players selected to the All-American Team, Camp location for Texas will be in Commerce. For a free brochure call (704) 568-6801 anytime.

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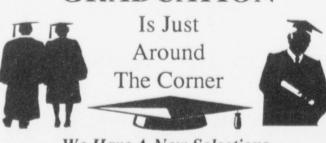
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3/1	Tolar	V	There	4:30		
3/4	Mullin	JV	Home	4:30		
3/5	Tolar	V	Home	5:00		
3/6 - 3/8	Ranger Tourn	ney	There	TBA		
3/18	Ranger	JV	Home	4:30		
3/22	Comanche	V & JV	Home	5:00		
3/25	Ranger	JV	There	4:30		
3/26	*Baird	V	There	5:00		
3/29	*Gorman	V	Home	1:00		
4/2	*Ranger	V	There	5:00		
4/8	Mullin	JV	Camp Bowie	4:30		
4/9	ACHS	V	There	5:00		
4/15	Baird	JV	Home	5:00		
4/16	Comanche	V	There	4:30		
4/23	*Ranger	V	Home	5:00		
4/29	Rotan	JV	There	5:00		
4/30	*Gorman	V	There	5:00		
5/3	*Baird	V	Home	5:00		
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Cisco Junior College will offera to the class from Clay Spain. Refrigerant Containment class and a Mobile Vehicle Air Conditioning Technician Certification course on Saturday, April 6, at the Cisco Junior College Industrial Division in Abilene.

The Stationary Refrigerant Containment class will meet from 8 a.m. to 12 noon. The class satisfied Environmental Protection Agency (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

### Money Management seminar set in Abilene March 4

A Money Management seminar featured Texas A&MUniversity Assistant Profess & Extension Economist Dr. Jason Johnson will be held Monday, March 4, 2002 at 7:00 p.m. at the Taylor County Extension

Topics of the seminar will include ideas for finding stocks to study and how to use the internet to find stocks to study.

The free public seminar is for educational purposes only. The seminar is sponsored by the Taylor County Extension Office. For additional information call (915) 672-6048.

#### **Eastland X-treme** to Play Sunday

Eastland X-treme Semi-Pro Football will play at Maverick Stadium in Eastland on Sunday, March 3. Tickets are \$3.00.

The Mobile Vehicle Air Conditioning Technician Certification course will be held from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. This course is EPA approved and is conducted in accor-Act Amendments of 1991. Satis- Fame. Nominations will be of the course will certify that the technician is properly trained in the use of refrigerant and recycling equipment for mobile veals are included. Cost for the letic programs. course is \$30.

ister, contact Clay Spain at (915) Chairman of the Selection Com-698-2219.

## Grand Ole Oplin had anybody to take the ball

The Grand Ole Oplin is proud to announce its band line-up for the month of March.

On March 1, Muddy Creek will be playing all your favorites. On March 8, Roland Smith and the Roadrunners will entertain us all. On March 15, CrossCountry helps us celebrate St. Patrick's Day so be sure to wear green. On March 22, Muddy Creek will return to play some more of your favorites. And to close out the month, Texas Touch will play for us on March 29.

The Grand Ole Oplin is the place to be on Friday nights. So gather the family, friends and neighbors and come out for an evening of good music and a good time. Be sure to bring a snack to be enjoyed by all during the band's break.

The Grand Ole Oplin is hosted by the Oplin Community Center and is located at F.M. 604 S. and F.M. 2926 in Oplin. The hours are from 7:30 p.m. until 10:30 p.m. each Friday night and admission is still only \$3.00 per person. We look forward to seeing you and appreciate your

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## **TSTC West Texas New Home of Big Country Athletic Hall of Fame**

TSTC West Texas, Abilene high school graduation. Center, will be the new home of dance with the Federal Clean Air the Big Country Athletic Hall of factory completion and passing taken for athletes and coaches of the Big Country area who have made a significant impact in the sports community through outstanding athletic achievement or major involvehicle air conditioners. All materi- ment and contributions to ath-

Former Abilene Reporter-For more information or to reg- News sports editor, Al Pickett, mittee says, "I just always thought it was needed, and was a wonderful idea, but we never and run with it". He adds, "TSTC Musical Schedule stepped forward. I just think it's a tremendous thing." The Director of Institutional Advancement for TSTC West Texas. Nancy Paup, states, "TSTC is thrilled with this wonderful opportunity to be the new home of the Big Country Athletic Hall of Fame. It is our privilege to be able to pay tribute and honor the outstanding athietic accomplishments of many of our Big Country sports heroes and coaches.

> Nominees will be selected from the 19 counties of the West Central Texas Council of Governments, including Taylor, Brown, Callahan, Coleman, Comanche, Eastland, Fisher, Haskell, Jones, Kent, Knox, Mitchell, Nolan, Runnels, Scurry, Shackelford, Stephens, Stonewall and Throckmorton. Deadline date for nominations is March 9, 2002.

> Current Big Country Athletic Hall of Fame members include: Blacky Blackburn, Jimmy Carpenter, Glenn Gregory, Louis Kelley, Rick Meyers, Jack Mildren, Chuck Moser, Billy Olson, Dan Salkeld, and Pete Shotwell.

Eligibility guidelines that will be used in the selection process

· Athletes may be nominated who competed and graduated from high schools within the designated Big Country area. Coaches will also be considered. Athletes from any sport may be nominated. Other requirements include that only those "athletes and coaches" who have brought "positive recognition" to the Big Country will be considered.

 Athletes may not be inducted until 10 years after their

Coaches may not be inducted until five years after completing their coaching tenure in the Big Country

· No more than five people will be inducted each year.

On April 29, 2002 the new Big Country Athletic Hall of Fame members will be honored at a dinner banquet at Fairway Oaks Country Club, in conjunction with an award banquet for the TSTC Big Country Athletic Hall of Fame Golf Classic benefiting the TSTC West Texas Scholarship Program and Team of the Century/Chuck and Doris Moser Scholarship Fund. In addition, the 10 original members of the Abilene ISD Hall of Honor will also be recognized at the banquet. Also, highlighting the weekend festivities will be the Abilene Rotary Club's presentation of the Chuck Moser Coach of the Year award on Friday, April 26.

The Selection Committee includes: Al Pickett, Chairman; Bill Hart, a retired senior staff writer of the Reporter-News who is a member of the Texas High School Football Hall of Fame in the sports writer's category; Dick Tarpley, a former editor of the Reporter-News; Wally Bullington, a former Abilene High and Abilene Christian University football coach and athdirector; . Charlie Droomgoole, president of the Abilene Chamber of Commerce; John Neese, the athletic director at Hardin-Simmons University; Jack Stuard, the long time public address announcer at Shotwell Stadium; Johnnie Lou Avery, the Assistant to the President of TSTC West Texas; Nancy Paup, Director of Institutional Advancement, TSTC West Texas; and the sports directors of the three local television stations, Gary Stricklin (KTXS), David Bacon (KTAB), and John Wilson (KRBC).

Nomination forms for the Big Country Athletic Hall of Fame can be downloaded at www.westtexas.tstc.edu Please mail completed form to: Big Country Athletic Hall of Fame, TSTC West Texas, 650 East Highway 80, Abilene, Texas, 79601. You may also obtain a nomination form in the Admissions Office at any of the TSTC West Texas locations, including Sweetwater, Abilene, Breckenridge, and Brownwood.

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income. CHIP rates range from \$ 15 a year with small co-payments to \$ 18 a month with slightly higher co-payments. Medicaid application process has been simplified to allow even easier access to health insurance, families with children who qualify for

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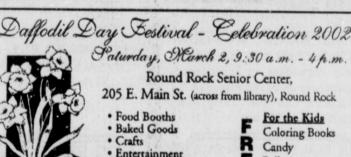
Each program has its own set of rules and benefits.

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Prevailing winds...

MyKeeper and I had many questions about the property we were fixing to purchase, and my next questions included, "...and which way does the wind blow?"

The realtor looked at me funny. She said she'd never been asked that question. Thinking it over, I could understand. We were moving from a County Road to a city street, and prevailing winds were not a consideration to the needs of an urban dweller, even in a small city.

The farm we were leaving was bathed by strong winds from the south, winds which rushed through the Cascade foothills lined up longitudinally along the valley. East and west winds were blocked or slowed by the mountains standing sentry to the valley floor. Wintertimes, that wind barreled through the channels to the North Pole, bounced off, and snapped back like a rubber band, bitter cold.

The wind was a consideration whether it whispered or bellowed through orchards. It dictated even more than the sun how crops were planted, and which door could be open to fresh air. By knowing which way the wind usually blew, farmers could calculate the irrigation coverage of the long rows of field sprinklers. They knew how to site barns and shelters, where to set the picnic table, and which side of the road would be blanketed with dust on a windy day.

The Oregon realtor may have thought I was the only person concerned with prevailing winds, but catch a bit of this story I've been reading by Kent Durden. It's about an eagle being raised to the fist, to hunt. This was back in the days before federal controls to endangered species, but state regulation required

keepers have a purpose, and a permit. His request was approved because the plan featured educational value. Their eagle footage appeared in Disney TV programs and Lassie. Other movies and documentaries followed. Her entire life and training was recorded in words, still photos,

When the eagle matured enough to cause problems in the remote neighborhood, the family searched for another home, driving their realtor absolutely bonkers. The eagle trainer would look at the lay of the properties, not even getting out of the car to look at the house.

It was the mother who finally made it clear and then a house was found. Mom said what they really needed was a home for an eagle. It had to be remote and high, with the wind going uphill. There could be no powerlines, and the sun must shine toward the wind. There could be no neighbors with chickens or small dogs. That's what the eagle needs, she told him, "and I would like two bathrooms.'

Their perfect property was found at the end of a long, steep, potholed dusty road, and a second bathroom was added on.

We bought a property once, for its barn, and its river The floor plan was not a plan at all, but the good thing about the house was that it was sturdy! I can still picture the realtor jumping on the old wood floor to show us how sturdy it still was. He must have jumped on that very board each time he showed the house to prospective buyers, because that's the only spot could only be as big as the number on the floor that squeaked.

The barn, of course, was perfect. It pays to consider the important things.

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### **Locally Know Lady Makes Mission Trip To Guatemala**

Lauren Ogden, Monahans band director, recently had the rare treat of working with a seminary band in Guatemala. She is the daughter of Richard and Carolyn (Tunnell) Ogden of Henderson and the granddaughter of Jack and Kathryn Tunnell of Cross

She accepted an invitation from Janet Wenger, head of the music department of a Bible seminary, to share some of her knowledge with students training to become music ministers. Janet and her husband, Irv, were Lauren's hosts on the trip.

"I've been interested in foreign mission work since going on a trip in high school. This past summer I was able to take some college classes in Dallas on music in the mission field, and this is where I met Janet Wenger," Lauren noted.

In preparation for her trip she asked members of her church, Southside Baptist, to offer prayers of support. That request was fulfilled, along with generous donations of band instruments and financial assistance. Lauren was able to purchase sheet music and warm-ups that were badly needed to conduct a band practice.

Caldwell Music of Odessa gladly donated their labor to clean and repair the instruments.

The band consisted of anybody who could play an instrument. Ages ranged from 12 to 40," Ogden explained. "The band of instruments. They had 25 instruments plus the 7 donated from my church."

The first step was getting their instruments in working order and recording their serial numbers. Ogden explained that the band members knew how to read music and play their instruments, but they all played the same melody

Her task was to teach them how to play in turn and in parts; how to rehearse and get the most out of their rehearsal time. Since there are no school bands and very few performing opportunities, the sessions were extremely valuable for the students.

The group utilized a Christmas concert for the seminary employees as a goal to work toward. They played their school song and national anthem, which many adults had never heard played live. They had only heard recordings. "The live music was like bringing a different level to their culture," said Ogden.

"On most mission trips, people go to build a house or something you can see. You can't see what I did, but I feel I enhanced these people's lives. There's a need for everything anybody knows how to do in the mission field," Lauren remarked.

Lauren was able to share her knowledge and talent with the people of Guatemala. Now she shares the experiences of her trip with her students, her church, family and friends.

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### LETTER TO THE EDITOR

An open letter to the 17th Congressional District from Cong. Stenholm

Last fall, I was very grateful to newspapers across the 17th Congressional District for helping me notify their readers and my constituents about the interruption to Congressional mail service which resulted from the mid-October anthrax attacks. I thought an update of our situation would be helpful to every-

I had hoped that matters would return to normal by now but I'm sorry to say that the backlog of mail sent to all Government offices in Washington continues. Even though all Congressional offices have reopened following the anthrax clean-up, regular postal mail and special delivery packages continue to be significantly delayed by new screening and security measures.

This week, I received December mail along with some more recently postmarked letters; mail is not necessarily arriving in chronological order. Someone mailing a letter from Texas to my Washington office should expect a three-week delivery time at an absolute minimum and it could be much longer until I actually receive it.

That's why I continue to encourage folks wanting to con-

tact me to use one of several other options.

First, constituents can call (202) 225-6605 or fax (202) 225-2234 me at my Washington office. Those with Internet

access are encouraged to send an e-mail through my web site at www.house.gov/stenholm. Also, each of my three District offices are fully staffed and able to respond to or redirect all in-

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I continue to appreciate your patience and understanding as we strive to maintain our open door policy under these new circumstances. I depend on the advice and counsel I receive from constituents and hope everyone will continue to contact me about those issues which concern them.

> Sincerely yours, Congressman Charlie Stenholm

#### Letter to the Editor

I read the letter to the Editor with delight, it was as the commercial for Ivory soap some years back '99 and 44-100th percent pure," until I came to the "Agenda" the last two paragraphs. It seems Mr. Hicks has not read it slowly or prayerfully enough to see that there is not one scripture that condones or glorifies civil disobedience. Quite the contrary a great Rabbi Shaul and is Rabbi Yeshua, both tell us to be obedient to those who are our leaders. In Shaul's (Paul) letter to the Roman, chapter 13 for ex-

In the Older Testament there are two examples on how far one should go to be obedient, Daniel and the Hebrew Boys were obedi-

ent right up to the point they were ordered to bow down to another God, then they were willing to die for what they believed.

Yeshua said, "those the Father gave him, not one would be lost." (Paraphrase mine) to read the last two paragraphs of the letter to the Editor, one could get the idea that Mr. Hicks thinks that without the schools teaching the Bible, that

statement of Yeshua was false. Without an "Agenda", I think it would be great if the Bible were taught in all schools. I also think it would be even greater if the whole world was obedient of GOD. That time is coming, but

> Respectfully Yours, In the name of Yeshua, Robert Powell Rising Star, Texas

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had a rider for me. I told him okay and soon he arrived with a manager trainee. His name was Mr.

Ito. He was from China and spoke very broken English. The brakeman and I introduced ourselves and then I got clearance to leave. After leaving the yard and getting on the main line, I

I was taking a hot shot out of Los

Angeles one night and the fog had

rolled in from the coast. Just as I

was about to start pulling, the

trainmaster called and told me he

picked up the speed to 70 m.p.h. You could only see the signals as you passed them.

We were running on clear signals and I knew where all the crossings were. I was blowing the horn extra long that night.

I noticed that Mr. Ito was turning on and off the overhead light at lot and glanced a couple of items to see what he was doing. He was looking into his bag.

After about 30 miles, I asked if there was something I could get for him. He said he was looking for a rule book. I told him that mine was right here on top my bag. He took it and started looking through it in a hurry.

I asked him if there was a rule he

wanted me to find for him. He said, "Rule to see speed." I asked if he wanted the speed limits for this area. He said, "I want speed for when you no see." I asked what he meant speed no see.

He replied, "There is rule for speed when no see?" I asked if he meant when you were backing up or what. He got real loud and pointed out into the fog and said, "There is rule that say you no see, you slow down?" I explained that we could see the signals as we passed them and that even though we could not see the track or out the sides, we could see the signals. He then proceeded to hop up and down and point out the front window and yell, "I no see, you slow down. You crazy and have no fear of death."

I tried to explain to him that this was routine and that I was not acting out of anything but what I was taught.

He went down into the bathroom and stayed until we started up the mountain out of San Bernardino. He had settled down by then and when he got off at Yermo, he turned and looked at me and said, "You crazy!"

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