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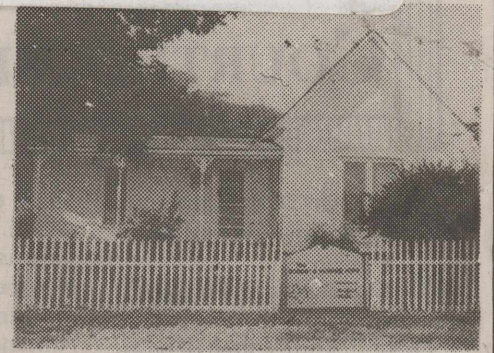
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THE FIGHTING BUFFALOES
Masthead designed by Barbara J. Sowell



DOWN HOME

Services for Leif Hunter Held Tuesday, Sept. 24th, at Coleman

Culpepper & Merriweather Circus in Cross Plains Tuesday

EDITOR'S NOTE: Author Unknown certainly has a wealth of good information and common sense for us, as you will see in the following story. Ask yourself what kind of jar you are. I'm afraid I didn't score too well. This will make you think before you overflow in the future. Vanda Anderson Creech

"The Jars"

The preacher placed two identical jars on the table next to the pulpit. He quoted 1st Samuel 16:7 "The Lord does not look at the things man looks at. Man looks at the outward appearances, but the Lord looks at the heart."

These jars came from the same factory, were made of the same materials, and can hold the same amount. But they are different, he explained.

Then he upset one and it oozed out honey. He turned over the other, and vinegar spilled out. When a jar is upset, whatever is in it comes out.

Until the jars were upset, they looked alike. The difference was within, and could not be seen. When they were upset, their contents were revealed.

Until we are upset we put on a good front. But when we are upset, we reveal our innermost thoughts and attitudes, for "out of the abundance of the heart his mouth speaks." Luke 6:45

What if someone tipped you over today???

What would flow out???

Would you reveal the "honey" of grace and patience, or the "vinegar" of anger and sarcasm???

"Above all, love each other deeply, because love covers over a multitude of sins." 1st Peter 4:8

Have a terrific day knowing that the one who upsets you may be just looking for some honey.

Author Unknown

Local Artist's Work Exhibited at Scott & White Gallery in Temple

Betty Beggs, local artists and recent graduate in art from Howard Payne University, will have a one person exhibit of her paintings at the Scott and White Gallery on the hospital's main floor during the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5 p.m. October 1 thru October 30.

Everyone is cordially invited to come to the viewing. There is no admission charge.

Love Fund Established for Jack Heinzman

A Love Fund has been established at Texas Heritage Bank for Jack Heinzman, of Cross Plains, who is currently in Hendrick Medical Center recovering from leg surgery.

Your generosity will be appreciated by his family.

Leif Hunter was fatally injured following a one car accident early Sunday morning a few miles from his home at Burkett. The Ford Explorer he was driving was reported to have rolled multiple times.

Leifton Wayne Hunter, 22, went to be with the Lord Sunday, September 22, 2002. He was a member of the First Baptist Church in Cross Plains.

Leif was born to Ken and Terri Hunter on June 22, 1980 in Coleman, Texas. Raised in Burkett, Texas, he attended Cross Plains Schools and was currently attending Tarleton State University in Stephenville where he was a senior studying veterinarian medicine.

He enjoyed life, hunting, fishing, sports, farming and family. Leif was very competitive in all that he did, and always made people smile. He touched many lives and will be deeply missed by all those who knew and loved him.

He is survived by his parents, Ken and Terri Hunter, and one sister, Kristin Hunter, all of Burkett; grandparents, Shirley Hunter of Burkett, and Roger and Joyce Klingberg of Cross Plains; aunt, Bobbie Dodson of Coleman; uncle and aunt, Randy and Sandy Hunter, of Abilene; aunt, Tammy Klingberg of Arlington; aunt and uncle, Joy and Jamie Dixon, of New Braunfels;



Leifton Wayne Hunter

cousins, Chase and Kailea Hunter of Abilene; great-grandparents, Opal Grant of Quinian and Rudolph Klingberg of Sweden.

He was preceded in death by his grandfather, Bill Hunter; and great-grandparents, Gene and Lola Dodson and A.B. and Ruby Hunter.

Services were held at 2:00 p.m. at the First Baptist Church in Coleman with Joe Coppinger officiating. Interment was in the Burkett Cemetery under the direction of Walker Funeral Home of Coleman.

Pallbearers were Howard Edington, Tommy Saunders, Allen Phillips, Mike Winfrey, Joe Kemp and Tony Wyatt. Honorary pallbearers include Monty Richards, Howard Phillips, and all of Leif's brothers.

Gosnell Representative for Cross Plains on Regional Council

Debbie Gosnell has been named Cross Plains' official delegate on the Regional Council for Texas Midwest Community Network (TMCN). The City of Cross Plains is a charter member of TMCN.

TMCN provides marketing programs for tourism and economic development; networking opportunities for community leaders to learn how to deal with municipal challenges; and legislative awareness in monitoring issues that directly affect the communities in this region of the state.

TMCN was founded in 1994 and currently has a membership of 40 communities: Abilene, Albany, Anson, Aspermont, Baird, Ballinger, Breckenridge, Brady, Bronte, Brownwood, Buffalo Gap, Cisco, Clyde, Coleman, Colorado City, Comanche, Cross Plains, De Leon, Dublin, Early Eastland, Goldthwaite, Gorman, Hamilton, Hamlin, Haskell,

Knox City, Merkel, Munday, Ranger, Robert Lee, Roby, Roscoe, Rotan, Snyder, Stamford, Sterling City, Sweetwater, Throckmorton, Tye and Winters.

Many of the member cities find themselves facing each other across a football field on Friday nights or over a basketball court after the first of the year. The regional organization gives these communities an opportunity to turn their rivalries into alliances to strengthen the economy and quality of life in the region.

The organization functions on the premise of "communities working together to accomplish what one community cannot do alone". In the words of Benjamin Franklin, "We can all hang together or we most certainly will hang one by one."

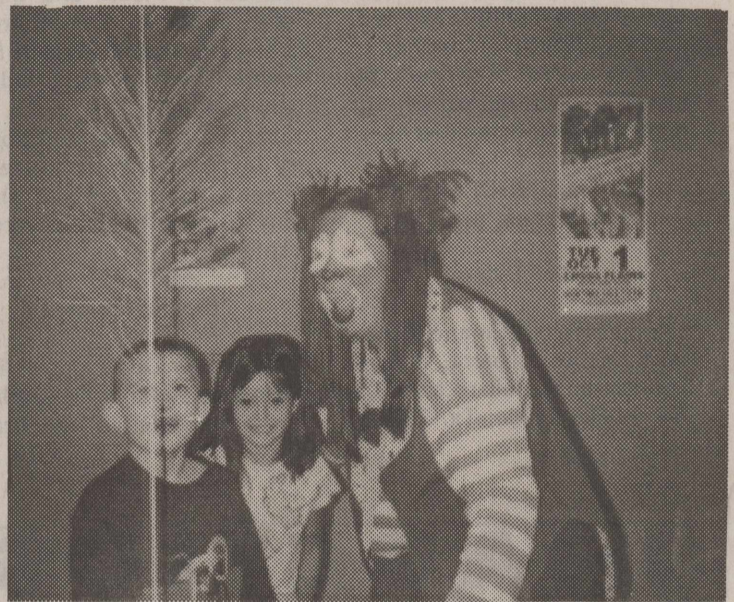
For more information about TMCN check the web site www.texasmidwest.com.

Thanks to the sponsorship of The Cross Plains Chamber of Commerce, Culpepper & Merriweather Circus, America's favorite old-fashioned Big Top Circus, is coming to town on Tuesday, October 1st, at the lot behind Dairy Queen.

In its 19th season, C&M Circus has become internationally known for quality family entertainment. In addition to the magic of the two scheduled performances at 5:00 p.m. and 7:30 p.m., the circus invites the public to see the Tent Raising at 9:00 a.m. and also offers a FREE Endangered Species Show on Circus morning. This show will feature the two largest members of the Culpepper & Merriweather Circus family, African elephants Barbara and Connie.

The 45-minute Endangered Species Show begins around 10 a.m. and includes a walking tour of the Circus Grounds. The show is presented by Cheeko the clown and focuses on such topics as: the current problems facing wild African elephants, how and why Barbara and Connie joined the Circus, and how the circus staff cares for each animal, including hygiene, grooming and veterinary attention.

In recent years the Endangered Species Show has become popular for school field trips, families and interested community mem-



SKEETER THE CLOWN VISITS CROSS PLAINS ELEMENTARY— Skeeter the Clown is shown entertaining Riley Lawrence (from left) and Samantha Dickson Monday, September 23rd. She is previewing the children for the big treat ---THE CIRCUS!!!!!!

bers. It is presented in a way everyone, young and old, can learn about Barbara, Connie and the rest of the animals in the Circus Family. The Endangered Species show is a special part of Circus Day that should not be missed.

Save money by purchasing your tickets in advance. Advance tickets can be purchased at the Cross

Plains Chamber of Commerce 254-725-7251 and Texas Heritage Bank 254-725-6141. Prices for advance tickets are \$7.00 for adults, \$5.00 for children 12 and younger, and children under 2 are always FREE. The tickets are \$2.00 more on Show Day. Buy tickets early and save!!!

Immunization clinic in Cross Plains slated October 7

The Texas Department of Health will be offering a childhood immunization clinic on Monday, October 7th at the Cross Plains Multi-Purpose Center located at 701 Beech.

The immunization clinic will be held from 2:00 p.m. until 4:00 p.m.

If your child is one year old or older and has not had chickenpox vaccine is now available and required for school children.

For additional information about the immunization clinic call (915) 754-4945.

Musical at Skateworld Friday

A musical will be held this Friday evening at Skateworld in Cross Plains, 141 Main Street.

All area musicians are welcome. You may call Ray Boles at (254) 442-1137 for a spot on the program.

The doors will open at 5:30 p.m. and the musical entertainment begins at 6 p.m. Barbecue, Frito pie, cake, pie, chips and soft drinks will be available.

Come and enjoy an great evening of music and fellowship.

Helping Hands/Hearts Needs Applications

Cross Plains Area Housing Initiative wants to remind everyone that their annual project, Helping Hearts and Hands, has an October 1, 2002 deadline for filing for applications for assistance.

Funds raised at the recent chili supper will be used to purchase supplies and materials.

Labor is donated. There will be NO COST to any person selected for assistance under this program.

Services provided will be for minor repairs (jobs that take one day or less to complete), window

washing, spring cleaning or whatever you might need. No job is too small, but some may be too big. If you wish to apply for these services, contact Kathy Anderson at (254) 725-6654 and she will be glad to assist you in completing the application.

In addition to accepting applications for assistance, CPAHI is also looking for volunteers to provide the labor for these projects. If you are interested in donating some time to help your neighbor, please see Bob Pipes, Bryan Bennett or Walter Thomason.

Art Club to Meet Friday Sept. 27th

The Paint and Palette Club will meet Friday, September 27, at 2 p.m. at the Multi-Purpose Center.

Kathy Tate will paint a stilllife in oil media and explain her methods. She is a former art teacher in the public schools of Stephenville.

Visitors are welcome.

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ATHLETIC BOOSTER CLUB

To Sell Hamburgers Friday, September 27 Starting at 6:30 p.m.

HB - \$2.25 CB - \$2.50

(All Proceeds Go To Support C.P. Athletics)

COURTHOUSE NEWS

COUNTY COURT
Roger Corn, presiding

Misdemeanor Filings

Cristie J. Immel, theft of property by check.

Misdemeanor Minutes

Mary York, motion to revoke probation granted.

Dana Bailey, order amending conditions of probation granted.

Christopher Yates, motion to revoke probation granted.

Shannon D. Heron, motion to dismiss to unlawfully carrying weapon granted, defendant sentenced to prison on other case.

Laura Bargas, plea to lesser theft of property by check included class C offense granted.

Albert William, Jr., motion to dismiss to theft of property by check granted, defendant sentenced to prison on other case.

42nd DISTRICT COURT
John Weeks, presiding

Civil Filings

Homecomings Financial Network, Inc. vs. Gilbert L. Ballard and Karen K. Ballard and 605 Bryant Rd, Clyde, Tx. 79510,

home equity foreclosure application.

Jesus P. Diaz and Gloria Diaz, divorce.

Ivonne Alicia Duran and Armando Duran, divorce.

Civil Minutes

Thomas Leon Slagle and Carol Ann Slagle, divorce granted.

Mike Walker dba Circle W. Trucking and Construction vs. Commercial Money Center, Inc., Commercial Servicing Corp., American Equipment Leasing & Finance, Inc., and World Trucking Center, Inc., order granting plaintiff's motion for summary judgment, plaintiff to recover from defendant the sum of \$90,601.50.

William R. Moore and wife, Betty Moore vs. Don Burns, Vickie Burns and Edward M. Konczak, nunc protunc judgment granted.

Cheryll Dee Morris and Rodney Jay Morris, divorce granted. Megan Ann Blackwell and Tony Eugene Purlee, divorce granted.

Criminal Minutes

Christopher Dean, order dismissing defendant from probation under deferred adjudication.

OBITUARIES

Marie Christie

Marie Christie, 86, of Brownwood, died Monday, September 16, 2002, in the Brownwood Care Center.

Services were held at 2:00 p.m. Thursday, September 19, 2002, at the Higginbotham Chapel with Mike Redd officiating. Burial was in the Dressy Cemetery with Higginbotham Funeral Home of Cross Plains in charge of arrangements.

Marie was born January 2, 1916 in Callahan County, Texas to Sam L. Long and Hattie Brooks Long. She married George Christie in Sweetwater, Texas on November 24, 1949. She was a Methodist.

She attended school in Dressy and later beautician school in Abilene. During World War II she owned a beauty shop in Cross Plains.

George and Marie lived in Abilene for many years. She enjoyed flying with George in his plane, game night with friends, and working in her church.

Survivors include her step-sons, Joe Christie of Austin and Jimmy Christie of Canyon Lake; a host of friends and nieces and nephews including, Wilda Edington, Hadden Payne, Glen Payne, N.L. Long, Fred Klutts, Barney Klutts and Lindell McDaniel.

She was preceded in death by her parents, her husband, George, a step-son, Robert Christie, two brothers, Fred and Norrell Long, and six sisters, Wellie Payne, Bertha Odom, Clara Henderson, Jessie Klutts, Annis McDaniel and Jewel Long.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Dressy Cemetery, in care of Texas Heritage Bank, P.O. Box 699, Cross Plains, Texas 76443.

Vera Belyeu

Mrs. Vera Belyeu, 104, of Cross Plains, died Saturday, September 21, 2002 in the Rising Star Nursing Home in Rising Star.

Funeral services were held at 2:00 p.m., Tuesday, September 24, 2002 at the Higginbotham Chapel with Bob Pipes officiating. Burial was at the Cross Plains Cemetery with Higginbotham Funeral Home of Cross Plains in charge of the arrangements.

Vera was born January 28, 1898 in Callahan County to Mont Jones and Lucy Harpole Jones. She married Ruben Belyeu in Cross Plains on March 10, 1924. She was a member of the Church of Christ.

Vera attended school in Cross Plains and graduated from Cross Plains High School. She met and married Ruben Benton Belyeu and they farmed for several years in the Cross Plains area. Both of their children were born in Cross Plains; Lillian Larue Belyeu Lovell on August 24, 1925 and William Benton Belyeu born March 31, 1927.

They left Cross Plains for many years but returned to farm west of Cross Plains in November 1942, where they lived and raised livestock until Ruben passed away on January 16, 1970.

She lost her husband Ruben on January 16, 1970; her son-in-law, Doyle Lovell on December 14, 1993; her son, William (Bill) Belyeu on December 31, 1994; and her grandson Ron Lovell on May 12, 1996.

Vera Continued to live on the farm for years before moving into the Colonial Oaks Nursing Home in Cross Plains for several years. She lived at the Rising Star Nursing Center from May 2002 until the time of her death.

She is survived by her daughter, Lillian Lovell of Midland; grandson, Darren Belyeu and wife Tammy of Abilene; great-grandchildren, Cody and Chelsey Belyeu, Nikki Riggs, Neely Pace, and Ryan Lovell; great-great-grandchildren, Drake, and Brantley Riggs and Devin Pace. She was preceded in death by her parents, husband, son-in-law, her son, and a grandson. She will be missed.

Sheila Nichols Brooks

Sheila Nichols Brooks, age 67, of Midlothian, Texas, passed away Sunday, September 22, 2002, in Richardson.

Funeral services were held at 2:00 p.m. Wednesday, September 25, 2002, at the Higginbotham Chapel with Ronnie White officiating. Burial was in the Cross Plains Cemetery in Cross Plains with Higginbotham Funeral Home of Cross Plains in charge of the arrangements.

Sheila was born August 10, 1935 in Cross Plains, Texas to T.T. Nichols and Dorris Atwood Nichols. She was a member of Oakcrest Baptist Church in Midlothian.

Survivors include her daughter, Gina Adair Franklin of Midlothian; her son, Bobby Nick Adair of Hurst; a brother, James Nichols of Cross Plains; and two grandchildren, Amy Enright and Sye Franklin.

She was preceded in death by her parents, a brother, Larry Nichols, and her husband, Lee R. Brooks.

Lawson Armor

Lawson Armor, 88, died Thursday, September 19, 2002, at an Abilene medical center.

Funeral services will be 2:00 p.m. Saturday at Highway 36 Church of Christ with Ed Headrick and Bill Eason officiating. Burial will be in Tecumseh Cemetery directed by Elliott-Hamil Funeral Home, 542 Hickory.

Mr. Armor was born to Roy Lawson and Doshie Holloway Armor, on September 20, 1913, in Pontotac, Texas. Most of his life he lived in Callahan County where he attended schools in Tecumseh and Oplin, graduating from Oplin High School. He was a stock farmer.

He married Velma Lenora Arville in Lawn, Texas on June 10, 1933. She preceded him in death in 1995. Mr. Armor was a member of Oplin Church of Christ.

He was also preceded in death by his parents; a son, Robert Armor (d. 1969); a grandson, Jerry Bob Armor (d.2000); and a great-grandson, Jake Lawrence (d.1984).

Survivors include a son, John Armor and wife, Kathleen, of Tecumseh; two daughters, Wilma Lawrence and husband, James, of Cross Plains, and Margaret Ellis and husband, Terry, of Tecumseh; nine grandchildren, Randy Armor, Becky Turner, Bruce Lawrence, Royce Lawrence, Keith Lawrence, Darlene Tyler, Tammy Windham, Mark Ellis, and Steve Ellis; 23 great-grandchildren; and three great-great-grandchildren. He was also survived by a special friend, Helen Wilder of Tuscola.

Memorials may be made to Hendrick Hospice Care, P.O. Box 1922, Abilene, TX 79604, or Tecumseh Cemetery.

Lord's Acre at Santa Anna October 19th

The Santa Anna Methodist Church is planning its Lord's Acre for Saturday, October 19, from 10:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. at the Old Armory Community Center on 303 South Houston Street, Santa Anna.

Barbecue sandwiches will be served from 11 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. with chips, drinks and desserts available at the Youth Group stand.

There will be a Silent Auction featuring hundreds of items (closes promptly at 6 p.m.), and Flea Market will open at 8 a.m. with various sundry items. A Country Store will have home canned good, arts and crafts, live plants and fresh garden produce. Fresh baked goods will also be offered.

Old-Fashioned Revival at Union Center Baptist Begins Sunday

The Union Center Baptist Church will be holding a Revival Sunday, September 29, through Wednesday, October 2.

Due to the illness of Bob Hayes, Area Missionary for the Cisco Baptist Association, C.P. Floyd will serve as the evangelist. Floyd is the pastor of East Cisco Baptist Church.

The special music will be provided by a variety of singers and groups.

Jerry Eckhart, pastor of Union Center Baptist Church, will deliver the Sunday morning worship service. Dinner will be served on the ground directly following.

Pastor Floyd will speak Sunday at 7 p.m. and each night thereafter. Refreshments will be served following each service and everyone is invited to join them.

Pastor Eckhart said, "We are holding an old-fashioned revival at an old-fashioned church that believes in old-fashioned ser-

vice." He invites everyone to come here the inspiring message.

Union Center Baptist Church is located 1/2 mile east on Country Road 292, off State Highway 183, 5 miles north of Rising Star.

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Wreath hanging ceremony at Courthouse October 1

October is Breast Cancer Awareness Moth in Callahan County. Local breast cancer survivors will hang a wreath on the door of the Callahan County Courthouse, on Tuesday, October 1, 2002 during Breast Cancer Awareness Day in Callahan County. In a brief ceremony, a proclamation will be read.

The wreath will remain on display for the month of October, which is designed nationally as Breast Cancer Awareness Month.

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Texas Rural Development Housing Programs for rural areas

The Texas USDA Rural Development Agency has Housing Loan Programs available to assist qualified very low, low and moderate income applicants in the construction or purchase of a home.

These loans require no down payment nor mortgage insurance and can be made for up to 100% of the market value of the property, which in some cases allows for financing of the closing costs. Loan terms are from 30 to 33 years, with fixed interest rates. Payment assistance is available, based on family size and income, which may reduce the interest rate on the loan to as low as one percent (1%).

The Agency also administers Home Repair Loans and Grants for qualified very low income owneroccupants.

Grant funds are available for very-low income home-owners 62 years of age and over who cannot repay a loan. Grant funds must be used to remove health and safety hazards such as repairing roofs, heating, electrical

and plumbing systems, water and waste disposal, installing screens, windows, insulation and other items to make the home safe. Grant assistance may not exceed \$7,500.

Home Repair Loans may include similar purposes as the grant, but may also be used to modernize and bring a home up to standards, make changes for convenience, add a room, remodel and make overall improvements to the home. For very-low income borrowers, the loan term can be of up to 20 years, with a fixed one percent (1%) interest rate. The loan amount cannot exceed \$20,000. For low-income borrowers the interest rate is the program rate in effect at the time of the loan.

For more information and qualification requirements for these programs, please contact the Rural Development office at 4400 Buffalo Gap Road, Suite 4150, Abilene, TX 79606 or call (915) 6906162 extension 4. This institution is an equal opportunity provider and employer.

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11:00 a.m. Morning Worship
6:00 p.m. Evening Worship
Wednesday
7:00 p.m. Prayer Meeting

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PIONEER NEWS

The ladies had a great time at quilting on Tuesday. We worked on Frankie's "Flower Garden". It is really Kathy Anderson's quilt top. We also worked on Christy's "Postage Stamp" quilt. We will put in our Rehab top this week.

The club will be discussing our quilt show this week. It will be in October. The date has not been decided. We want all of you to be aware of it.

There was "42" played at the community last Thursday. Everyone always has a good time. The next time they meet will be October 3rd. Come on out and join them for fun and food. This group is planning to have a "Harvest Party" in November, so be looking for the date.

Charlene Chesshir had Jim and his little stepson to visit (and work) this last weekend. Jim is getting the land ready to plant wheat. Charlene and daughter, Christy, went to Abilene Monday the 16th. Charlene saw her eye doctor and visited with her sister. Then she did some shopping.

Earlene Burge spent two days and nights in Brownwood. Her grandson, Jon Ocha, celebrated his 26th birthday. All the grandchildren were there with their spouses. Also, his mother, Jessica Stulz, Earlene, great-grandson, Cameron, and Leslie Jourdan, Jon's fiance, were there. They had charcoal broiled steaks with the trimmings. They all had a great time.

Glenda Phillips went to the

Abilene rodeo with Allen, Janice and family. Kali was in the calf scramble. She didn't win but said it was lots of fun. It looked fun. Glenda had lunch with Allen and family Sunday. Logan stayed with Glenda on Friday and they had a good time.

Laverne and Cowan Hutton made a trip to Savanna, Georgia to visit their grandchildren, Melissa Hutton and Matt Hutton and wife, Lisa. Matt and Melissa are the children of their oldest son, Noah, who died in a plane crash in 1991. The Huttons had a very enjoyable visit with their grandchildren and enjoyed a sight-seeing tour of Ole' Savanna. They returned home last Tuesday.

John and Cary Ezzell of Houston visited their grandmother, Olena Ezzell, and Anna Ezzell recently.

Frankie Smith had her daughters, Mrs. Robert Nance and Mrs. Steve Harrelson, for company. They enjoyed a trip to Abilene.

Frankie and Jean Fore went to Coleman Friday to the musical with Mr. and Mrs. Freddie Blont. Saturday Frankie and Jean traveled to Cisco for the musical. A great time was had by all. Frankie and Mary Parrish had a good trip to Abilene Monday.

We had a great rain last Thursday morning. It has sure greened everything up. It is beginning to feel a lot like fall. We have had some cool mornings.

Take care everyone! See you next week!

LIBRARY NOTES

9/16 - 9/20

Hey, Junior readers! The library has in a lot of new easy-reading books that will be on the shelves in a few days. Come by. Some are in a series we have already started: *Star War*, *Galaxy of Fear* by John Whitman. The new one is *Army of Terror*. A new one by Richard Brightfield in the *Choose your own Nightmare* series is *How I Became a Freak*. A new

series by Alexander Steele is *Wishbone Mysteries*. The one we have is *Take of the Missing Mascot*. These librarians know what junior readers like. They'll be looking for you.

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Circulation: Books: 68

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COTTONWOOD NEWS

By WALLACE BENNETT

Rodenbergers Return from Nation's Capitol

Drs. Lou and Charles Rodenberger have returned from Washington, D.C. where Lou participated in First Lady Laura Bush's White House Symposium on "Women of the West".

Charles escorted Lou to the nation's premier alabaster city, and, although not allowed to enter the inner-sanctum of the White House, he did get in a lot of quality time doing his favorite thing, nosing around among this country's greatest collection of history and memorabilia; buildings and things that have made America a great nation.

"Just being there in that room among so many people; well-known writers, educators and government leaders, was the high point for me," said Lou. She was obviously still glowing from the experience as we sat in her living room and reviewed the events of their trip.

The symposium was the third in a series entitled "The White House Salute to American Authors". The full title of this symposium is "Women of the West: The Literary Legacy of Women in the American West".

The symposium took place in the State Dining Room of the White House, a very impressive setting for the event, according to Lou. The program focused on the literary legacy of three women writers.

"Willa Cather, Edna Ferber and Laura Ingalls Wilder captured the essence of life in the west with brilliant, witty writing," said Laura Bush in her opening remarks. "In many ways, the stories that came from these three women of the west are elemental love stories. Their tales capture the complexities of any true love: resignation and hope; sorrow and joy; challenge and triumph," she continued as she set the themes and tone for the presentations of individual scholars and a panel discussion, that followed and rounded out the symposium's agenda.

"As a librarian and book aficionado, Laura Bush is using this series to highlight some of America's significant literary figures. Engaging American, particularly children, to read great (literary) works is a key aspect of the symposium's effort," stated Lou. And children, she said, "comprise a significant portion of the symposium participants."

Lou voiced her quandary about why she was invited to participate in such an august gathering. However, just a brief look at Lou's own writings as an essayist, lecturer, editor, critic and advocate for women's rightful place in history and in literature, would convince any skeptic of her right to a seat at this symposium.

Lou has produced prolific writings and speeches about women's accomplishments as pioneers, writers, educators and leaders in Western history. She also has a solid reputation among editors and publicists of a cajoling and critical advocacy to include women writers and writings about women in their present and future publishing activities.

Space in this little column does not permit including the many interesting details of Lou and Charles' trip. I had taken my camera, tape recorder, a list of questions, and my notebook in order to do a good job reporting this event. However, I became so absorbed in Lou's telling of the story that I forgot to take pictures, ask my question, take notes and change sides on the tape to record the last few minutes of our interview.

So, I do hope you will ask them, the next time you see one or both, "How was your trip to Washington?" They both have interesting stories from different viewpoints to tell.

You can find more details about this symposium by logging on to: <http://www.whitehouse.gov/news/releases/2002/09/print/20020917-3.html>.

(Please notify Wallace Bennett at (254) 725-7474 about personal, family or community items for this column.)

SENIOR CITIZEN'S CENTER

By Kathy Anderson

The Senior Citizens Center of Cross Plains would like to thank everyone involved in making our Quilt Show a success. 132 people stopped by to view the 71 quilts, wall hangings and Afghans on display. There were people from as far away as Ruidosa, New Mexico, Lubbock, Bedford, Irving, Lorena, Big Spring, Dalhart, Stephenville and Fort Worth. Many from area communities were present, as well as our own community.

We want to especially thank "Big Country Livestock Equipment, Inc." of Rising Star for loaning us the panels to display the quilts on and the Pioneer Quilting Club for helping us

cover those panels. We owe a debt of thanks to Walter Thomason, Larry Martineau and Bob Powell for all the "manpower" that went into setting up and tearing down. Thanks to Bob and Barbara Powell, Barbara Black, Frankie Smith and anyone else who may have helped us along the way.

If you attended the show before noon then you were one of the fortunate ones who got to hear Horace Hounshell sing and play his guitar. Thank you Horace for a very entertaining morning.

Proceeds from the show will benefit the Meals-on-Wheels and the Cross Plains Senior Citizen's Center.

Watsons Host Social

The Robert Watson's of Rowden are hosting a "Rowden Community Social."

The "Social" will be held Saturday, September 28th at 6:30 p.m. at the Watson Home in Rowden, off FM 463.

They plan refreshments of cookies, cake, coffee, and soft drinks.

Dorothy Watson says if you like refreshments, visiting, 42, and getting acquainted with new neighbors. You'll enjoy this party.

Several new residents

"neighbors" have recently moved into the Community and this is a chance for everyone to get to know one another.

So young and old, new to Rowden, used to live in Rowden, know somebody who lives in Rowden, just moved to Rowden, or if you live around the corner in one of the other small Communities and would like to meet your neighbors, you are invited!

They hope to see all of you at the "Rowden Social", Saturday night September 28th at 6:30 p.m.

SENIOR CITIZENS MENU

September 30 - October 4

MONDAY--Swiss Steak, Spinach, Potatoes, Apricots, Bread, Milk

TUESDAY-- Ham/Lima Beans, Hominy, Pickled Beets, Cheese-cake, Cornbread, Milk

WEDNESDAY-- Salmon Patties, Peas, Carrots, Lemon Pie, Macaroni Salad, Roll, Milk

THURSDAY-- BBQ Chicken, Pinto Beans, Raisin Coleslaw, Butterscotch Pudding, Bread, Milk

FRIDAY--Swiss Steak, Spinach, Potatoes, Apricots, Bread, Milk

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QUIPS, CLIPS & COMMENTS

By KAY MOSLEY

Note: Lately I've noticed that if you stop, concentrate and then sniff the air, you can detect the fact that autumn is truly in the air...just be sure the neighbors don't see you. It might get around that you have been observed exhibiting extremely strange behavior.

"The Old Crank"

Just sitting here thinking of some of those long ago days when I was a small girl growing up, you know, when Hector was just a pup. A lot of things were very different then, than they are today. We often hear it expressed as: those oldie, goldie days when times were simpler. True, the days were long ago, but simpler??? Well, I'm not so sure things were simpler.

For instance---just to take your child to school in the car one morning, would involve a LOT more work than now, especially if you live in a high traffic area.

First of all, you'd have to get wood to build a fire, then go down to the creek or well, carry water up to the house and heat it on the fire, so your children could clean up for school. There were no Pop Tarts back then, so you'd have to cook their breakfast. Most likely breakfast would consist of hot oatmeal, bacon with homemade bread or ham and eggs and home-

made biscuits, along with a large glass of fresh foaming milk. It times were hard, like during the Depression, breakfast might consist of corn meal mush, beef jerky, hardtack or cold biscuits and onions.

O.K., so now they've eaten and gotten dressed, combed their hair and found all their shoes and put them on. Then load-em all into the car. Either the mom or one of the older boys would have to get the crank out, stand it front of the car, stick that crank in and wind it around and around to get that motor started, and then run as fast as you can to jump in the car and drive it.

If it stalled along the way, you had to get out and crank it up again. Now if that wasn't enough, sometimes you'd get a flat tire. Then it was necessary to get out with a hand pump, place it over the pressure stem and manually pump it back up. Now just about everybody knows that pumping up a tire wasn't easy; as a matter fact, it's just about a job and a half.

Member them old (I should say--those old) inner tubes that always HAD TO BE patched? I think that now most of you will readily agree that it's much simpler now days to just go get in that car, turn the key and take off.

See ya on the way to school...maybe.

RISING STAR NURSING CENTER

By MACK WATSON-BUSH

Vernacular consistent with this region leads me to say, howdy! Sincerely hoping all had a great week. The cooler weather that signals fall continues, like a breath of the freshest air it comes, soothing weary and sunbaked ones. The swallows have massed and taken wing, away they flew to unknown parts. May their flight be swift and safe.

The first order of business is the report of the death of resident Vera Belyeu. Safe passage for her as she transcends this earth. 104 years she lived here. Oh, the tales she could have told. Celebration of your days we celebrate Vera even as we write of your departure. Heartfelt condolences to all her family and friends this writer sends.

Our weekend RN here at the center is Linda Payne. Linda is from the Burkett area. She is a fine lady and an experienced nurse; competent, friendly, and always willing to step in and help out in any situation. Linda is married to Charles Payne and has two children, Sheila and Chase. Beaming she was when she mentioned her 6 grandchildren. Maybe the greatest asset of this woman is her demeanor and her smile, the latter of which is always present. We are lucky to have her and we know it. She's a keeper and a resident favorite as well. Thanks Linda.

RN Patty Davis completed her first nurses aid course this week. Though we already knew of the excellence she doing, the results solidified the actual into history. All of the students took their clinical skills test as well as the written portion of the exam, ad-

ministered by a representative of the state of Texas, and passed. The flew. Congratulations to our newest certified nurses aides and to Patty. Job well done! Those graduating were Julie Buffington, Gregg Stone, Toni Stoudamire, Jarrad Hoggett, Jennifer Monroe, and Rikki Bennett.

Congratulatory themes continue as we send our sweetest ones to Veronica Robinette and husband Lee. Veronica has given birth to a baby daughter this past week. Details later but happy days and thoughts to the doting mother.

Debra reported that the art show went very well. This writer was able to peruse the stylings of some of our residents and great ones they were. Serving as judges for the event were Skipper Ezzell, Charlene Rider and Karen Webb. Thanks to them as they did a fine job. The monthly birthday party feted Marjorie West. Happiest birthday wishes Marjorie! A homecoming party was also held and the cheerleaders from both the junior high school and high school came to the facility and joined in; quite entertaining for the residents as they joined in with their school spirit, which apparently never fades. And last but surely not least was the visit of Tracy Dillard, Director, and her puppeteers, Forest Creamer and Marie Besselarr of the Cottonwood Baptist Church. A great show they gave, causing much happiness and leaving smiles gleaming. Thanks to all of these individuals as we appreciate you so much.

Sending best wishes your way, Mack.



BREAKTHRU

By Bob Pipes
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Opinion polls indicate that some thirty-five million Americans believe that astrology has some value in helping one lead a successful life. Though there may be some element of truth amidst the mass of astrological mythology, it remains scientifically unprovable.

Be that as it may, what I am the greatest concerned about is the alarming number of people who put astrology so far above the Bible that they form an astrological religion and worship the created instead of the Creator. We were warned against that long, long ago -- and it is recorded for our good, Romans 1:25.

I am reminded of the story of a preacher and an astrologist who were seated beside one another on an airplane flight. They found out each other's occupations and the astrologist said to the preacher, in derision: "I guess when it's all said and done, you can summarize the Bible and its teaching up in: 'Now I lay me down to sleep, I pray the Lord my soul to keep.'"

Responding, the preacher said: "And I suppose when all is said and done, you can summarize astrology and its help into: 'Twinkle, twinkle, little star, how I wonder where you are.'"

David, through inspiration, wrote: "The heavens declare the glory of God, and the firmament shows His handy work. Day unto day utters speech, and night unto night reveals knowledge. There is no speech nor language where their voice is not heard. Their line has gone out through all the earth, and their words to the end of the world," Psalm 19: 1-4. That makes a lot more sense than all the astrological mythology put together. But you know, that's not such a bad summation of the Bible that the astrologist suggested -- "Now I lay me down to sleep, I pray the Lord my soul to keep..."

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C.P. STUDENT REVIEW



VARSITY BUFFS' DEFENSE HOLDS THE YELLOWHAMMERS
(Football photos courtesy of Teresa Koenig.)

Buffaloes Improved Against Rotan Yellowhammers

The Buffs traveled to Rotan to take on the Yellowhammers last Friday night. The dual unraveled with the Yellowhammers coming out on top 16-0.

The Buffs are showing much improvement on both sides of the ball. The offense managed to pick up 132 yards on the ground and 33 yards through the air. Colby Barton led the way on offense with 85 yards on 15 carries, and 4 catches for 33 yards. The offense

put together several drives that were stopped by either a penalty or mental mistake.

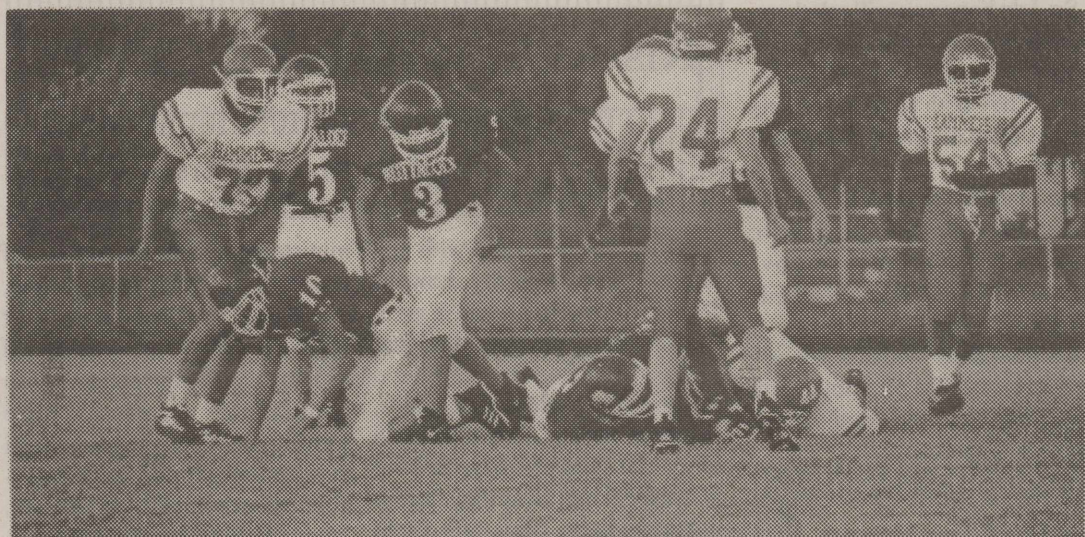
The defense also showed great improvement by only giving up 14 points. The defense forced the Yellowhammers to punt 3 times, turn the ball over on downs 2 times, and Chris Harris intercepted 2 passes.

The Buffs are working hard and their hard work will potentially payoff. They will begin district

play this Friday at home against the Tolar Rattlers.

Individual Stats

Rushing
Dusty Purvis 8-19 yds
Dusty Dickson 10-19 yds
Colby Barton 15-85 yds
Chris Harris 1-8 yds
Michael Allen 1-1 yds
Passing
Dusty Dickson 4-19-3 yds
Receiving
Colby Barton 4-33 yds



JUNIOR VARSITY PLAYS WELL—The Buffs held the Rotan Yellowhammers to only one score in the last 3 minutes of the game. The final score was 7-0. Way to go J.V. Boys!!!!

HE'S ONLY A BOY

Please don't curse the boy down there,
He is my son you see.
He's only just a boy you know.
He means a lot to me.
I didn't raise my son dear fan
For you to call him names.
He may not be a superstar-
It's just a high school game.
So please don't curse those boys down there
They do the best they can.
They never tried to lose a game,
They're boys and your a man.

The game belongs to them you see,
You are just a guest.
They do not need a fan like you.
They need the very best.
If you have nothing nice to say,
Please leave the boys alone.
And if you have no manners,
Why don't you just stay home.
So please don't curse those boys down there,
Each one's his parents son.
Win, or lose, or tie, you see
To us they're NUMBER ONE.

4-H Meeting Monday, Sept. 30th

The Cross Plains 4-H Club will have its monthly meeting Monday, September 30. The meeting will be a 5 p.m. at the First United Methodist Church. The program will consist of installation of officers. Officers for the 2002-2003 year are President - Tracey Randolph; 1st Vice-President - Melissa Black; 2nd Vice-President - needs to be re-elected; 3rd Vice-President - needs to be elected; Secretary - Emma Bennett; Treasurer - Needs to be elected; Historian - Dayna Bennett; Reporter - Needs to be elected; Parliamentarian - Travis Black.

Please let Mrs. Randolph know is you will be unable to attend.

The club has started the foods and nutrition project. Animal projects are starting also. If you did not attend the first meeting, you are welcome to come to this one and sign up. Robert Pritz, the County Agent, will also be present.

SCHOOL BOARD MINUTES

The Cross Plains I.S.D. Board of Trustees met in a regular meeting September 17 with the following members present: Vicki Dillard, Susan Schaefer, Donnie Dillard, Bryan Bennett, Jim Cook, Monty Richards and Tony Wyatt.

The following administrators and guests were also in attendance: Superintendent, Jackie Tennison; H. S. Principal, Leonard Wilson; Elementary Principal, Margie Sowell and guests Nora Odom and Dianne Webb.

Prayer was led by Jackie Tennison.

Mrs. Webb gave technology report.

Motion was made by Wyatt and seconded by V. Dillard that they approve IPM (Integrated Pest Management) Plan. 7 for, 0 against.

Motion was made by Schaefer and seconded by Wyatt to set the following dates for credit by exam. The dates are the following June 24, 25, 26 and July 8, 9, 10, 2003. 7 for, 0 against.

Motion was made by Cook and seconded by V. Dillard to accept the ESL report presented by Margie Sowell. 7 for, 0 against.

Motion was made by V. Dillard and seconded by Wyatt to approve three waiver days for staff development of teachers for the next three years. 7 for, 0 against. Motion was made by Cook and seconded by Bennett to approve TASB Update 68. 7 for, 0 again.

Motion was made by V. Dillard and seconded by Wyatt that they adjourn. Executive session started at 9:15 and was adjourned at 10:07.

ELEMENTARY EXTRA

BY NANCY RANDOLPH

The elementary teachers will provide information for parents and the community this year in our local newspaper in this section called the elementary extra. The section will contain activities classes are participating in, upcoming events, and praise for students.

The first six weeks is coming to an end Friday, September 27. The elementary will close this first six weeks with a "Character Counts" assembly and "good behavior" parties. The Character Counts assembly will be held Thursday, September 26, at 8 a.m. in the auditorium. This six weeks' theme is "trustworthiness". Each student is asked to wear a blue shirt to school that day. Mr. Cassidy will address the elementary students and the 3rd and 4th grades will perform some songs for the students. Parents and members of the community are invited to attend.

Students exhibiting good behavior this past six weeks will be invited to attend a water party. Please send a towel and extra clothes on Thursday (primary students K-3) or Friday (grades 4-6). The Pre-kindergarten will also be partying on Friday. The students must have six or less marks on their conduct reports for the six weeks.

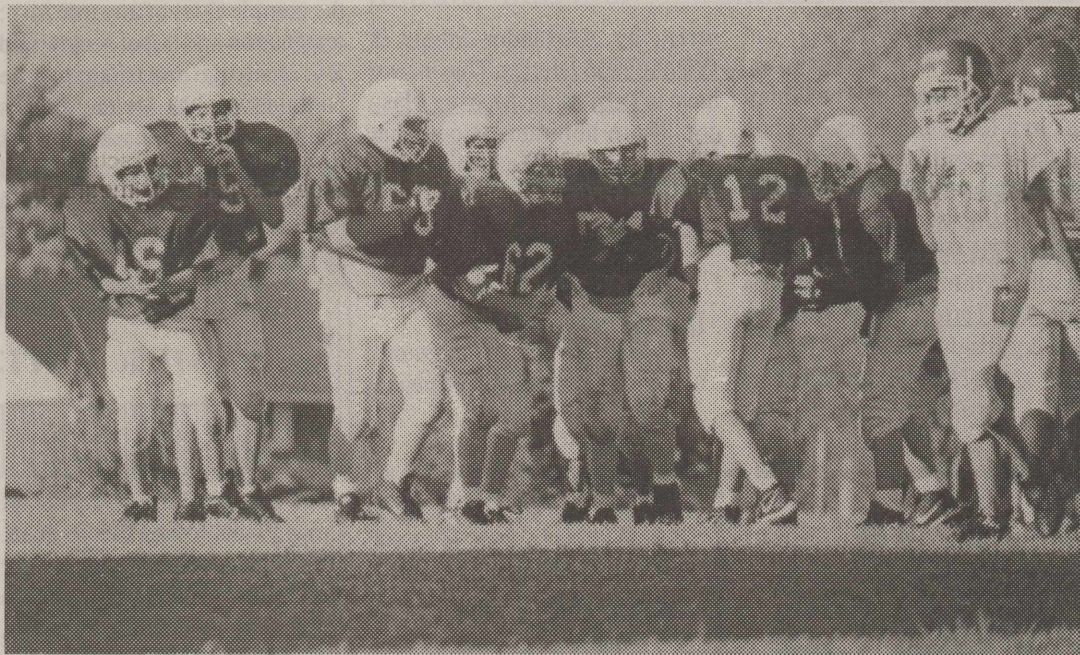
The circus is coming to Cross Plains. The clown visited on Monday, September 23. Students will visit the circus on Tuesday,

October 1, to see the animals and watch as the circus tent in being put up.

Mrs. Purvis is working very hard in her science classes. She needs items for her classes. She needs broken toys that can be taken apart for her unit on simple machines. I apologize for submitting this week late. She will need more items during the year to help build a science kit. Many of these materials will be used to provide hands-on materials for the 5th grade. They will be taking the new TAKS science test in April.

The elementary has also developed a reward with the athletic coaches to reward good behavior. Each week children are rewarded in their classes for having great behavior by writing their name on a ticket. The teacher places the tickets in a can in the office. The can is taken to the pep rally on Friday. During the pep rally a student's name is drawn. The child is the "Water Buffalo" for the week. The child is given a T-shirt to wear to the varsity game and they get to assist the student trainers as a water person that evening. The following students have been named "Water Buffaloes": Emerald Lewallen, Cheyenne Cowan, Justin Simons and Cody Sliger have been named the first four water buffaloes.

The year is flying by and the students and teachers are working hard. Volunteers are also needed to help listen to students read or assist in the cafeteria.



JUNIOR HIGH BUFFS FIRE-UP FOR THE GAME

Junior High Buffs Play Well

Captains for the Thursday game against Rotan were Brock Cooper and Sean Williams.

The Buffs won the toss and elected to receive. Saul Reyes ran the ball 75 yards for the first TD of the night. The extra point was not good.

The remainder of the 1st quarter the Yellowhammers and Buffs exchanged the ball back and forth with no further scoring.

The 2nd quarter was a little more exciting. The Buffs fumbled on Rotan's own 15 yard line and the Yellowhammers slide right in for the TD making the score tied at 6-6.

With 5:00 in the 2nd half, Ricky Daniels and Sean Williams were ready to receive the kickoff, but the ball was fumbled. Rotan took over on the 30 yard line and made their second TD, plus a 2-point conversion. Rotan dominated with a 14-6 score.

Daniels and Williams were in for the kickoff and made the 1st

down. Russell Thomas scored a TD on a quarterback keeper. Thomas also made the 2-point conversion tying the score at 14-14.

The Yellowhammers scored two more TDs before the half-time buzzer leaving the score 28-14 in favor of Rotan.

The 3rd quarter found Cross Plains and Rotan trading the ball back and forth. Then Rotan fumbled the ball and it was quickly recovered by Zach Bennett on the Buffs' 41 yard line. The Buffs had to punt as the quarter ended.

In the 4th quarter the Yellowhammers ran in another TD. The score was 34-14 with 3:50 remaining in the game. Rotan fumbled and once again Bennett recovered the ball. A pass to Justin Dickson was incomplete. Time ran out on the clock and the final score was 34-14 in favor of Rotan.

The Buffs will be traveling to Tolar on Thursday to play the

Rattlers.

Individual stats

J.J. Callaway - 2 tackles, 2 assists
Brice Bowden - 2 tackles
Russell Thomas - 6 tackles, 4 assists, 7 carries for 75 yds
Saul Reyes - 7 tackles, 2 assists, 5 carries for 75 yds, 1 TD, 26 punt returns
Ricky Daniels - 1 tackle, 2 assists, 1 kickoff return for 5 yds
Sean Williams - 2 tackles, 2 assists, 3 carries for 8 yds
Clay Koenig - 2 tackles, 5 assists, 3 passes for 22 yds
Justin Dickson - 9 tackles, 2 assists, 1 carry for 10 yds
Zach Bennett - 3 tackles, 2 assists, 2 fumble recoveries
Jacob Melton - 3 tackles, 3 assists
Dalton Carpenter - 1 tackle, 1 assist
Anthony Gonzales - 2 tackles, 2 assists
Chris McBride - 1 tackle

SCHOOL MENU

SEPTEMBER 30 - OCTOBER 4

<p>BREAKFAST</p> <p>MONDAY--Oatmeal, Toast, Assorted Juice</p> <p>TUESDAY-- Waffle, Sausage, Assorted Juice</p> <p>WEDNESDAY-- Eggs, Bacon, Biscuit, Assorted Juice</p> <p>THURSDAY--Cereal, Toast Assorted Juice</p> <p>FRIDAY--Muffin, Yogurt, Assorted Juice</p>	<p>LUNCH</p> <p>MONDAY-- Pizza, Salad, Corn, Rosy-Applesauce</p> <p>TUESDAY-- Steak Fingers w/ gravy, Mashed Potatoes, Peas & Carrots, Rolls, Peaches</p> <p>WEDNESDAY--Soft Tacos, Salad, Refried Beans, Pineapples</p> <p>THURSDAY--Spaghetti w/meat sauce, Cheese Stick, Broccoli, Garlic Sticks, Pears</p> <p>FRIDAY-- Submarine Sandwich, Chips, Salad, Pickles, Ice Cream</p>
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CJC Homecoming & Parents Day Oct. 5th

Plans are underway for this year's Homecoming and Parents' Day at Cisco Junior College scheduled for Saturday, October 5.

Homecoming organizers will kick the event off earlier in the week with a bonfire and pep rally Thursday night, October 3, at 8 p.m. on the Cisco campus hillside. Many activities are also planned for Saturday, October 5. Registration and a reception will be held in the Fine Arts Building from 10 to 11 a.m. Everyone is also invited to attend the Big Country Revue to be held in the auditorium of the Fine Arts Building beginning at 11 a.m. This year's entertainment will feature the Wrangler Band and

Belles, CJC Singers and Wrangler Chorale, the Drama Department, and other community talent.

The football game will begin at 3:00 p.m. at Chesley Field as the CJC Wranglers take on the Kilgore Rangers. Half-time festivities will include performances by the Wrangler Band and Belles and presentation of the Homecoming Queen.

There will also be a Parent Appreciation Dinner from 7 to 9 p.m. Musical entertainment will be provided by the Wrangler Fiddle Band. Tickets for the meal may be purchased Saturday morning at the campus snack bar in the Student Union Building.

Cisco Junior College Reports Largest Enrollment Ever

Cisco Junior College is pleased to announce that the fall 2002 registration period had yielded the highest number of enrolled students in the 63-year history of the College. Combined enrollment between the main campus in Cisco and the Abilene Education Center, along with dual credit courses offered at area high schools, reached a record 2,965 students enrolled for the fall semester.

According to Olin O. Odom III, Dean of Enrollment Management, not only is head count up, but also the amount of time that students spend in the classrooms has increased. Final fall counts show that contact hours, or the number of hours students are in

the classrooms, also reached a record high of 598,624 for the fall semester.

Cisco Junior College offers both a variety of academic courses for transfer and technical programs. CJC awards associate degrees and certificates of completion, as well as Tech Prep courses and other dual credit opportunities for high school students.

For more information regarding Cisco Junior College and the courses of study offered, call the Cisco Campus at (254) 442-2567 or the Abilene Educational Center at (915) 673-4567, or log on to the Cisco Junior College web site at www.cisco.cc.tx.us.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Letter to Editor/Recruitment angle:

Dear Editor:
The opportunity to save a friend or family member's life doesn't come along every day. But every Texas woman will have that opportunity in October.

The American Cancer Society's Tell A Friend (TAF) program is being launched here in Cross Plains, Texas. TAF asks women to take action and commit to calling at least five other women to encourage them to get regular mammograms. American Cancer Society guidelines recommend an annual mammogram, annual clinical breast exam and monthly breast self-exams for all women age 40 and older. For women age 20-39, guidelines call for monthly breast self-exams and a clinical breast exam every three years. Volunteer TAF callers will also provide educational information about breast cancer and early detection. The goal is to reach 30,000 women in the state of Texas in October; a significant proportion should be women who will have their mammograms for the first time.

Sound simple? It is. But it won't happen unless women step forward and volunteer to make calls. Approximately 6,000 statewide callers are needed, including 100 locally, to make it the largest woman-to-woman breast cancer awareness campaign ever undertaken in Texas.

I know what I'll be doing in October. If only one life in Callahan County is saved, then this effort will have been worthwhile.

I appeal to all women to call the American Cancer Society office in Abilene 915-692-6446, in Baird 915-854-1937 or 1-800-ACS-2345, or visit the website at www.cancer.org and join in our fight against breast cancer. And while you're at it, schedule your own annual mammogram. The life you save may be your own.

Sincerely,
Delores Stewart
(volunteer)
Callahan County Unit

Dear Editor:

In a checkout line at a Wal-Mart, I was behind two young women who had a small plastic sack with two tiny fish in it. "Are those the kind with low cholesterol?" I asked. "Oh no! You don't eat those, they're too small," the checker and the women said in unison.

"Well, I went to an aquarium in Galveston, and a little fish like that sucked up a lot of air and got much much bigger. Of course you'd have to cook it with lots of potatoes and carrots and onions...and when you put a fork into it, it would go 'pffft', but that wouldn't matter if you don't mind eating a little fish 'pffft'." I said.

From the looks they gave me, I think maybe they didn't understand.

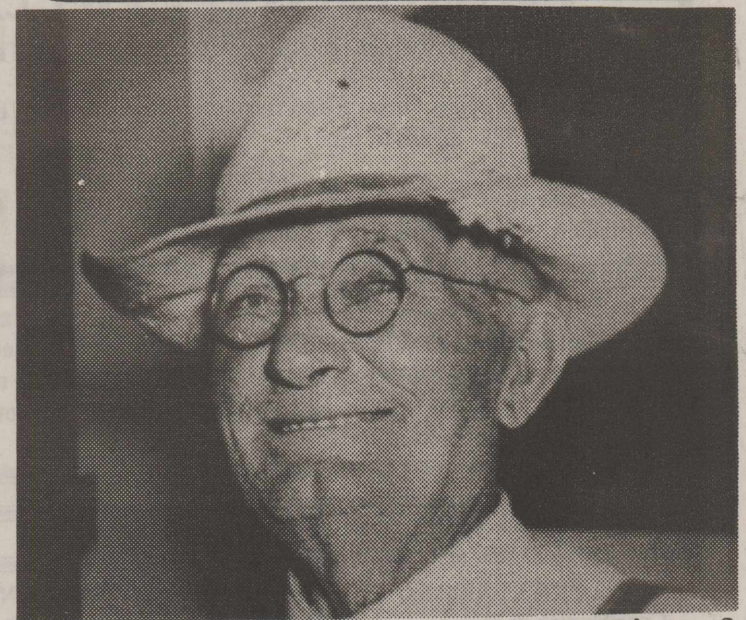
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Coleman Art Show

The Fine Arts League of Coleman County will hold their 11th Annual Fiesta Art Show October 4-5 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at 110 Commercial Avenue, Coleman. Over \$2,500 in cash awards will be presented to artist of all levels---amateur, advanced and professional.

Registration will be Monday, September 30, from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. Entries must be hand delivered. Entries are limited to six per artist and no previously entered art work will be accepted. Check-out will be Saturday, October 5, from 5 to 6 p.m. Artists must have their claim ticket and no early checkouts will be permitted.

For further information call (877) 658-5933 or (915) 636-4477.



THE VENERABLE SAGE—Do you know this man? This photo was taken at the Buy-Rite Grocery Store in 1948. Please contact the Cross Plains Review at (254) 725-6111 if you know his name.

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Some help...

I've gone too long without a goat story. Among other things, goats consider themselves helpers. This weekend, MyKeeper and I were out in their pen replanting a fencepost. I was on the shovel end of the job at the moment.

Stella was curious about the shovel. She nosed it, and sniffed. I jabbed the shovel into the dirt, which made her shy away. But only for half a second. Her curiosity meant the other goats had to come and sniff the shovel, too. Her job is being boss. Theirs is to follow her lead. They do their jobs well.

So now I have a group of goats crowded in around me, sniffing the shovel. I can't move, so I stamp my foot, wave my arms, and chase them off. They aren't very scared of me. There was only time enough to scoop out one shovel full before Stella was back; the others close behind her.

Stella thought the shovel smelled awfully good. Wooden handles are second in choice behind tree branches. She clenched her teeth and tried to tear off a bite.

It occurred to me that since MyKeeper was just standing around, he could do a better job of supervision. My suggestion was that he could keep the goats away while I dug more dirt. He said he'd rather watch. He does his job well, too.

I wanted some help, but not from the goats. MyKeeper kept them at bay for a few minutes so I could work unhindered. But persistence pays off, and pretty soon Stella was back. She followed my every move with her nose. It was a few minutes before I realized that the reason I couldn't seem to get at the post hole was because the whole herd was between me and the shovel. Some help!

MyKeeper is laughing. It's a talent that comes easily to him. I'm tempted to forgive him. Almost.

When I lean over to pick up the fencepost, I find myself leaning over the back of a goat. Five goats help me lift it into place.

Finally, I unwrap myself from the goat committee. The post stands upright and firm, the fencing attached with clips. MyKeeper fastened the clips. He had goat muzzles assisting him. It was my turn to laugh.

The fence repair could have been a five minute job, but with the help of all my goats, it turned out to be a twenty-five minute job.

MyKeeper said they should be rewarded for their assistance. Especially Stella, for being the most diligent. Turning to her, he asked, "Would you like to go to a barbecue?" To me he whispered, "She'd make a fine barbecue, wouldn't she?"

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Pioneer Cemetery Donations Report

The Pioneer Cemetery has received the following contributions from January 1, 2002 through September 15, 2002. Each and every contribution is deeply appreciated. We have been saddened by the passing of Johnny Pancake and wish to express our deep appreciation to the family in remembering the Cemetery in this manner.

If you wish to make a contribution to the Pioneer Cemetery, you may do so at the Texas Heritage Bank in Cross Plains or mail it to Jo Veda Watson, HC 30 Post 75 Box 11, Brownwood, Texas 76801.

Gifts: Collections II (In Memory of Sonne Umberson) \$35; W.C./Evelyn Wardroup (In Memory of Sonne Umberson) \$25; Doris/Roberta Newsome (In Memory of Jessie Mae Carter) \$25; Jesse Storts \$100; Jay/June Hughes \$200; Boyd Hughes \$100; Viola F. Hudson \$25; Mrs. Norma J. Whit \$100; Mr. and Mrs. Leeman Underwood \$100; Mr. and Mrs. Cowan Hutton (In Memory of Delma and Ella Dean) \$60; Jacquelyn Baxter (In Memory of Silas and Estelle Smith) \$50; and Vincent/Betty Meiron \$25.

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Cancer Society recruiting volunteers for statewide breast cancer initiative

During Breast Cancer Awareness month in October, the American Cancer Society, Texas Division, Inc., is launching a statewide campaign to reach Texas women with potentially lifesaving information.

"Tell A Friend (TAF) will be held primarily in October, when women are asked to call and encourage friends and family members to have regular screening mammograms. "We hope to reach more than 30,000 women, and encourage them to get a mammogram, especially if they have never had a mammogram. If a friend 40+ has never had a mammogram, we must work harder to encourage her to do so" states Laura Balla RN, of Austin and chairperson of the statewide effort.

Callahan County is a key market for the Tell A Friend campaign. "Research shows that women are more likely to get a mammogram if they are urged to do so by a doctor, friend or family member. We have created a simple program by which women volunteers call at least five of their friends and acquaintances and encourage them to get a mammogram," added Balla.

The benefits of mammography are paying off, as statistics show that the survival rate of breast cancer is almost 100% when detected early. "The only way we can further reduce the death rate from breast cancer is by getting more women to have annual mammograms and Tell-A-Friend is a way to accomplish that goal. More importantly, now that Medicare covers the cost of annual screening mammograms, we're hoping that even more women will avail themselves of this important procedure," Balla concluded.

Businesses are also encour-

aged to participate by allowing their employees to make Tell A Friend calls and or send electronic mail messages from the workplace and throughout the month.

Annual screening mammograms for women age 40 and older are the key element of newly revised American Cancer Society guidelines, which also include annual exam by a health care professional and monthly breast self-examination.

In addition to Tell A Friend the American Cancer Society will join the Texas Department of Health and other organizations in promoting the sixth annual Wreath Project. In special ceremonies to increase awareness about breast cancer, county officials across Texas will hang wreaths decorated in pink on courthouse doors and proclaim October as Breast Health Awareness Month statewide. The wreaths will remain in place throughout October to remind everyone of the impact of breast cancer in Texas and the importance of early detection.

The American Cancer Society is here to help women find local mammography resources. For more information on mammography or to volunteer for Tell A Friend call the American Cancer Society office at the Abilene office at (915) 692-6446 or toll-free 1-800-ACS-2345 to enroll. Or visit the Web site at www.acstx.org/TAF or www.cancer.org. ###

The American Cancer Society is the nationwide, community based voluntary health organization dedicated to eliminating cancer as a major health problem by preventing cancer, saving lives and diminishing suffering from cancer through research, education, advocacy and service.

Country and Western Music at Pizza House

Country & Western Musical will be Saturday, September 28th at the Pizza House located at South Access Road I-20.

Music starts at 5:30 p.m. Free admission. We hope to see you there.

Commissioners set Sheriff, Constable fees

Callahan County Commissioners, holding a regular meeting Monday, September 23, voted to set the fees for the Sheriff and Constable for the 2003 fiscal year.

Fees set by the Commissioners include: Subpoenas \$50, Summons \$50, Writ of Attachment \$60, Writ of Sequestration \$60, Order of Sale \$50, Writ of Possession \$80, Forcible Detainer \$50, Small Claims Citation \$50, Justice Court Citation \$50 and all other Courts' Citations \$50.

Other agenda items brought before the Commissioners' Court included:

- Commissioners approved the minutes of the previous meeting.
- Commissioners received no public comment during time set aside for comment.
- Commissioners voted to table the agreement with the City of Clyde Animal Control Department.
- Commissioners voted to adjourn the meeting.



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