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GLANCE TO THE PAST-Robert E. Howard, noted fantasy writer, and his dog, Patches, at his home in Cross Plains in approximately 1927.

Howard Days Approaching annual event set for June 13-14

Cross Plains' annual Howard writing was done at his home on Days celebration just keeps getting bigger and better each year and all indications are 2003 will be the best yet. Howard enthusiasts from all over the nation and some foreign countries are expected to gather in Cross Plains open for tours and visitation and on June 13 and 14.

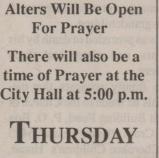
Conan, The Barbarian, Kull, Soloman Kane and a number of other fantasy characters, lived in Cross Plains from 1919 until his death in 1936, and most of his Don Herron of San Francisco,

W. Highway 36. The home has been restored and is owned and maintained by Project Pride.

Two full days are planned for Friday and Saturday, June 13 and activities will be conducted under the two day event. Robert E. Howard, creator of the adjoining pavilion. A detailed lished in an upcoming issue of this newspaper.

California, a pioneer figure in modern Howard studies and editor of the landmark volume of Robert E. Howard criticism, "The Dark Barbarian". Mr. Herron will be keynote speaker for a Friday 14. The Howard House will be night banquet and will appear on several panel discussions during

It is hoped you will make plans schedule of events will be pub- to be here and learn more about the life and writings of a popular fantasy writer who made his Guest of honor this year will be home right here in Cross Plains.



NATIONAL DAY

OF PRAYER

Area Churches Will

be Open All Day

MAY 1, 2003

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Cottonwood Historical Association **Meeting this** Saturday

Don't forget the Cottonwood Historical Association annual meeting Saturday, May 3rd, at

Election Day Is This Saturday—Don't Forget to VOTE!!!

Saturday, May 3, is election day for Cross Plains I.S.D. School Board Trustees and Cross Plains City Councilmen. You may cast your vote at the Community Center during the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m.

Two positions are open on the School Board, the 3-year terms of Donnie Dillard and Tony Wyatt. Three positions are expiring on the City Council, the 2-year terms of James Nichols, Edwin Weiss and Joe Ingram.

Candidates will appear in the following order on the ballots:

School Board Trustee Candidates 1. Larry Thomas 2. Michael Smith 3. Donnie Dillard 4. Reggie Pillans 5. Tony Wyatt **City Council Candidates** 1. Eddy Glen Wyatt 2. Edwin Weiss 3. Joe Ingram 4. Gene Dillard 5. James Nichols 6. Marvin Mosley. Every vote counts, so exercise your freedom to determine how the school and city are governed.

Keys to our Past,



Shirley Shumate Hunter to Speak to Local Scholarship Genealogy Group

Contest Upcoming

The Leifton Hunter Scholarship Fund was established by Leonard Wilson in memory of Leifton genealogy, are invited to attend. Hunter, a 1998 graduate of Cross Plains High School. A graduating senior will be awarded a \$250.00 scholarship to assist with tuition, books and/or fees to further his or her education.

Requirements include:

1. The scholarship is open to graduating seniors who have enrolled or plans to enroll in college, a university, vocational or technical school.

2. Please write a one-page essay about one of the following topics:

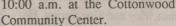
- A. Explain how a particular individual has significantly influenced your life. B. Fully describe this sen-
- tence. "I am a ____ year old male/female growing up in the United States in 2003 and I am most hopeful/ pessimistic about "
- C. Describe a challenge that you have successfully overcome and how it affected your life. What challenges do you anticipate facing after graduation?

Selection will be based on school and community involvement, financial need and completion of a brief essay. Application deadline is May 16, 2003 at 4:00 p.m. Please return the application with the essay attached to Debbie Edington at Texas Heritage Bank.

Shirley J. Shumate, a professional genealogy researcher, will be the special guest speaker at the Cross Plains Public Library on Friday, May 16, at 1 p.m. Anyone interested in genealogy at this time, or those with future plans in Shirley has been researching the Russell Family for over 25 years. As Editor of the Russell Register from 1992 to 2001, she has collected data and researched Russell Families from all over the United States, traveling to the Carolinas and Southern States.

An accredited Researcher and Genealogist, former Librarian and Member of the Daughters of the Republic of Texas, Shirley's specialty is early Texas History, Tennessee migrations, and the Colonial history of North and South Carolina.

She owns an extensive Library of Texana, as well as Carolina, Missouri and Tennessee history. As co-author of "Muster Rolls of the Texas Revolution", she transcribed 1835-36 Muster Rolls of the Republic of Texas Army from original documents in the Texas State Archives. (Publication by the Daughters of the Republic of Texas) Shirley authored articles included in the "The Handbook of



Lunch will be served at noon. Please bring a vegetable, salad or dessert. The Association will furnish the rest.

If you are interested in helping the Association carry out its responsibilities, you are invited and urged to attend.

If you are unable to attend, you may send donations and memorials to:

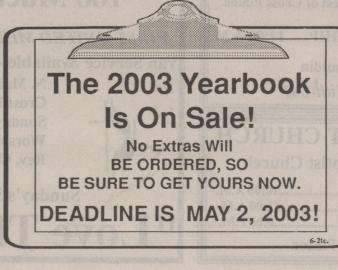
Cottonwood Historical Association P.O. Box 704 Cross Plains, TX 76443.

Scott Odom Retiring from FSA

Agency has announced his re- the property. The Texas flag, the tirement after 30 years service. United States flag and the Rising The FSA will be hosting a come Star Farms flag. Even the order in and go reception at the office in which they stand, seem to give an his honor on Thursday, May 1, indication of what is about to be from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. experienced here, and what the Everyone is invited to stop by farm is made of. Texas, repreand wish Scott well.

Plains High School in 1965 and Texas A&M University in 1970. Donald Saverance in Taylor self-sacrifice and welcoming of County before his first assign-

See Odom Page 10



OPEN HOUSE AT RISING STAR FARMS-Dr. Curtis Creach, a Board of Director, is pictured with Michael Wright of Rising Star and Emily Buchan, a student at Howard Payne from Dallas who volunteers.

Rising Star Farms ~ **Cultivating HOPE**

By Deborah Lowitzer

acres, set Rising Star Farms, a tered between West Texas farm share. land and acres of indigenous really can come true.

senting the strength, determina-Odom graduated from Cross tion and independence of spirit that embodies our great state. The United States, with all of its He trained for CED under enduring freedom, fortitude,

every soul, regardless of ability or disability into its arms. Then, The Just off Highway 36, and 8 Rising Star Farms Foundation miles east of Cross Plains, on 200 flag, humbly, yet proudly beckoning you to enter and experience magical place, hidden and shel- all the treasure that it has to

Rising Star Farms Foundation is trees. It is a place where dreams the dream two families have cherished in their hearts for many Entering the gates of Rising years. That vision became a Scott Odom, County Executive Star Farms, three flags wave in reality, and continues to grow Director of the Farm Service the breeze, welcoming you on to everyday. Lawrence and Rita See Rising Star Farms Page 10



SHIRLEY SHUMATE

Texas", published by the Texas Historical Commission. This multi-volume set is now available online. She is currently writing a book about the Russells who migrated to early Texas from the Carolinas, following the Tennessee and Missouri trails. Her research is NOT limited to Russell and allied families, but includes ALL surnames.

This is sure to be an informative presentation for all involved in genealogy. Mark your calendar for May 16.

Due to our bad weather earlier in the year, **CROSS PLAINS I.S.D.** WILL NOT HAVE A SCHOOL HOLIDAY ON MAY 9TH. Classes will be held on a regular schedule.

Mail Us Your Loved Ones Address MAY GOD WATCH OVER AND PROTECT THEM ALL!

| SSGT Travis W. Parson |
|-----------------------|
| CJSOAC Unit 1/J4 |
| APO AE 09309 |
| (In War Zone) |
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Warren Parson **PSC-2 Box 8883** APO AE 09012 (In Germany)

Mike Bennett P.O. Box 751 Cross Plains, TX 76443 (Home For Now) SPC Chris L. Fortune 302nd Military Police CO., 3rd Pit Camp Udair APO AE 09336 (In War Zone) Corporal Maddox, Chris E. USMC **HMH-462 UIC 41034** FPO AP 96614-1034 (In War Zone) EA 2 Hopkins, Justin NSF Thurmount P.O. Box 1000 Thurmount, MD 21788

REMEMBER TO PRAY FOR Military Leaders ~ Soldiers ~ Civilians and Our President

(Camp David)



UNITED PENTECOSTAL CHURCH

Texas Tech University

L. A. "Rich" Richardson **Byron J. McAnally**

L.A. Richardson, 100, of Cross Plains, passed away Wednesday, April 23, 2003, in Canterbury Villa of Baird in Baird, Texas.

Memorial services will be held at 2:00 p.m. Friday, May 2, 2003, at the Higginbotham Chapel with Bob Pipes officiating Higginbotham Funeral Home of Cross Plains in charge of arrangements.

Loyd was born October 15, 1902 in Alamogordo, New Mexico to Newborn Richardson and Hattie Lemons Richardson. He married Mozelle McElroy in Cross Plains in January 1971. He was a member of the Church of Christ of Cross Plains.

Survivors include his wife, Mozelle Richardson of Cross Plains; a daughter, Carole Lockhead of Terrell; a sister, Morene Donham of Clyde; two brothers, Tom Richardson and Newborn Richardson, both of Abilene; two grandchildren and 8 great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents, one sister and three brothers.

The family requests that memorials be made to the Church of Christ Building Fund, P. O. Box 576, Cross Plains, Texas 76443 or Cherokee Children's Home, c/o Church of Christ, P. O. Box 576, Cross Plains, Texas 76443, or your favorite charity.

William Elton Murphree William Elton Murphree, 87, of Rising Star, died Tuesday, April 22, 2003, at the Shannon Medical Center in San Angelo.

Funeral services were held at 2 p.m. Friday, April 25, at the First Baptist Church in May with Dennis Hester officiating and Joseph King assisting. Burial was in Blake Cemetery in Rising Star, under the direction of Higginbotham Funeral Home.

Mr. Murphree was born No- weekend revival vember 12, 1915 in Sipe Spring to Thomas W. and Elizabeth (Wagon) Murphree. He married Maybelle Pierson on September 20, 1949, in Grapevine. He grew up in Comanche and Brown County and attended school at

Byron J. McAnally, age 80, of

Burkett, passed away Monday, April 21, 2003, at Coleman County Medical Center. Graveside funeral service was held at 2:30 p.m. Wednesday at the Burkett Cemetery Pavilion with Dr. G. Dean Coultas offici-

ating. Services were under the direction of Stevens Funeral Home of Coleman. Byron was born October 16,

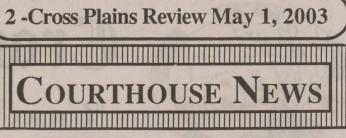
1922 in the Liveoak Community, Coleman County, Texas and was a son of the late William Jake McAnally and Lena Pauline Thate McAnally. He grew up in the Burkett area and attended school at Comal and Burkett, graduating from Burkett High School. He served in the U.S. Army during World War II in the European Theater of Operations. On April 4, 1946 he married Wanda Jean Burns in Cross Plains. He was a life-long resident of Coleman County and a rancher. He was a member of First United Methodist Church in Burkett.

Survivors include his wife, Jean McAnally of Burkett; one daughter and son-in-law, Cathy and Norman D. Lubke of San Angelo; one son and daughter-inlaw, Jim and Louanne McAnally of Coleman; two grandchildren, Kellye Lubke of Dallas and Chris Lubke of Boston, Massachusetts; five nephews and one nicce.

Memorials may be made to Burkett Cemetery Association, c/o Linda Brady, 1001 CR 178, Burkett, Texas 76828 or the donor's favorite charity.

Oplin Baptist Church set May 3 & 4

Oplin Baptist Church has scheduled a weekend revival for May 3 and 4, with Bro. Lincoln Connor, of the West Indies,



COUNTY COURT Roger Corn, presiding

Misdemeanor Minutes

Benny Gibbs, motion to dismiss to theft by check granted, paid restitution.

Curtis Dugan, motion to withdraw as surety and application for warrant granted.

Charla Fowler Brown, theft by check, 5 days in jail, \$293 court costs.

Kerrie Helmuth, plea of guilty to theft by check, 1 year probation, \$50 fine, \$343 court costs, \$291.04 restitution.

Kerrie Helmuth, transfer request from Callahan Co. to Jones Co. granted.

Charla Fowler Brown, plea of guilty to theft by check. 2 year probation. \$100 fine, \$293 court costs, \$4,832.33 restitution. Charla Fowler Brown, plea of

guilty to theft by check, 5 days in jail, \$293 court costs.

Thomas E. Edgar, plea of guilty to theft by check, 6 month probation, \$50 fine, \$293 court costs, \$90.37 restitution.

Thomas E. Edgar, transfer request from Callahan Co. to Shackelford Co. granted.

42nd DISTRICT COURT John Weeks, presiding

Civil Filings

Deidre Yvette Corbin and Charles Corbin, divorce.

James Henry Byars and Debra Lee Byars, divorce. Crystal Ann Fagundes and

Sandro Afonso Fagundes, divorce

Civil Minutes

Matthew Shayne Whitehead and Annie Kae Whitehead, divorce granted.

Dena Lyndel Wilsher and Cory Dwain Wilsher, divorce granted.

Administrator **Hired** for **B.** C. B. A.

Carl L. Brown, Jr., President of

Mal Enterprises, Inc. dba Lawrence Brothers IGA Supermarket vs. Reel Alternative Viewing and Entertainment, Inc. vs. Windsong Refrigeration, order of dismissal as to intervenors' cause of action against Windsong Refrigeration granted.

Providian National Bank, vs. Tye V. Howard, order of dismissal granted.

Benny Derrin Free and Carmen Kerby Free, divorce granted.

Nell Elizabeth Bennett and Robert Allen Bennett, divorce aranted

Jayna Karyn Miller and Clarence Leroy Gass, divorce granted.

The State of Texas vs. 1999 International truck tractor, VIN #2HSFHAERXXC026373; 1982 Fruehauf flatbed trailer, VIN #IH4PO45268F092102, model #PBX-TC-45.

The State of Texas vs. \$793.00 in US Currency, default judgment granted.

The State of Texas vs. \$11,965.00 in US Currency, default on judgment granted. Vonda Kay Stockton and James Dean Stockton, divorce granted.

Bill Edward Skiles and Wendy Lynn Skiles, divorce granted.

Criminal Minutes

Timothy C. Campbell, plea of guilty to manufacture of a controlled substance, 7 years in ... prison, \$221 court costs.

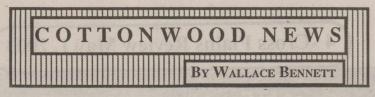
Stephen C. Barbaree, motion to dismiss to possession of a controlled substance granted, defendant sentenced to prison. Edward T. Walker, plea of guilty to possession of a controlled substance, 5 year probation, \$1500 fine, \$211 court costs

Isaac C. McCoy, plea of guilty to possession of a controlled substance, 5 years in prison, \$311 court costs.

CROSS PLAINS REVIEW

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An Exciting Month for Cottonwood

Cottonwood, you can be, but you Fire Control unit will meet on don't have to be bored. Here is a May 15th at 7:00 p.m. at the fire reading list you can us to find station. something to do.

To start off, Saturday, May 3, is the annual membership meeting of the Cottonwood Historical Association and the Board of Directors has approved an agenda that will provide former and current residents of Cottonwood an entertaining and rewarding time. Come at 9:00 a.m., bring a covered dish or two. Meat, drinks, sides will be furnished. Join us for the most fun day of the year.

will be meeting on May 1, 8, 13, events, etc. to Wallace Bennett 22 and 29. Quilting and chatting starts at 10:00 a.m. Bring a covered dish and join this group of happy ladies for lunch.

The Quilting Club will also sponsor an annual fund-raising bake sale at Village Market in Cross Plains on May 10th and they need everyone's participa-

May 2003 Calendar Forecasts tion. The proceeds go toward upkeep and maintenance of the Cottonwood Community Center. If you want to be Sleepless in The Cottonwood Volunteer

> The monthly musical will be presented on May 16. The Ouilting Club hosts these musicals and provides a favorite evening snack to allow you to dine out with the family and listen to a variety of music and entertainment. This is always a good place to be!

> Don't forget worship services at the Church of Christ and Baptist Church. There is absolutely no better place to be on Sunday.

That's it for now. Don't forget to The Cottonwood Quilting Club report any news events, personal (254) 725-7474.

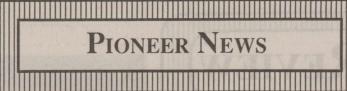
> P.S. Will the person who borrowed a folding table from the Community Center, please return it by this Saturday. Our guest will need a place to sit down to eat and chat with their old friends. Thanks!

COTTONWOOD CEMETERY UPDATE

Thanks to those people who signed our petition to stop the Cottonwood Historical Association from adding on 4 acres to the 2- acre West Cemetery. A 6- acre cemetery is unreasonable for his little community. Thanks to one and all! By Harold Strahan

Now Available To Purchase On The Banks Of Turkey Creek

This is a local folklore book written by James W. Nichols. It starts in the late 30's and covers people, places and events of Cross Plains and surrounding town, present and as well as bygone ones that had disappeared from the map. These stories are told from the viewpoint of a boy growing up in this area and from historical records of the community. Stories range from the days after the Civil War to the present. Stories describing farming, ranching, mercantile business, and oil production along with comical descriptions of the residents that can be related to every day life in the 20th century. Books may be purchased for \$12.93, which includes tax, at the Library, Texas Heritage Bank, Lawrence Farm and Ranch and the Cross Plains Review, or can ordered from James W. Nichols, PO Box 463, Cross Plains, Texas, 76443 for \$12.93 plus \$4.00 shipping and handling.



fancy quilting and green stripping, and a wide green border of shells. Sandy has a top in that has a "patch work" pattern. We all had a good time as usual. Anyone who likes to quilt is welcome to join us any Tuesday.

Christy Dallas came to see her mother, Charlene Chesshir, last Thursday. She brought some beautiful fresh spinach (already washed). I know Charlene was glad of that! They cleaned house, then went to Abilene to visit Charlene's sister, Christene Cooper, who has a broken wrist. Christy cleaned for her and Charlene did some ironing and they visited. Jim came on Friday evening and replanted the green beans. He also put out tomatoes and pepper plants. He planted okra, cucumbers and squash. (Boy, all this sounds like good eating in a couple of months.) The rain today will help that come up, as well as the feed he planted last week. Thank you Lord for the great rain! And thanks for great children who help their mothers! Frankie Smith and Jean Fore went to the musical at Cottonwood Friday night. Saturday they attended the Brownwood musical with Freddy and Maudine Blount. Easter Sunday Frankie had Jean and Vi for her guests. It was a big surprise last Friday for Earlene Burge when a florist truck drove up with a beautiful Easter Lilly for her. There was no name on it, but it was appreciated and the scent was so nice. Whoever did this, here is a great big

"THANKS". The children of Earlene had a lovely birthday dinner for her on Sunday. They had grilled steaks, baked potatoes, a wonderful salad and plenty of cake. To help her celebrate were Jessica, Dee Ann and Andrew Chisholm and their son, Cameron, Cindy and James Richardson. She had surgery and Fuller, friends of Morya, and they took good care of her.

The quilting ladies had about 9 were Benny from Owens, Janet present during the day. We didget and Doc, Becky and Scott, Cody's "Log Cabin" finished. It is Gynnia Ezzell of Stephenville another "show quilt"; beautiful where she attends Tarleton State mauves and greens. Lessie has University, and Courtney, also a her top in the frame. It is an student at Tarleton, who will unusual one with white blocks of receive her diploma May 10th. Benny's son, Cal, will also graduate from Howard Payne anticipation. Things went just University on May 10th. Olena has a lot of graduations to attend

> soon! Cowan and Laverne Hutton recently returned from a 10 day visit to Davis, Oklahoma. They met other sojourners there to work with the church at Davis. While there, they went to see the Turner Falls and to Sulpher to see the springs. Since coming home their visitors have been Lynn, Pam, and Samantha Hutton, Robert and Terry Huttons and sons, and Tabitha Jordan and children.

Glenda had a beautiful Easter Lilly delivered to her Friday. She thought Tim had forgotten to put a name on it, so she called him. He said he couldn't tell her who sent it. She is really proud of it and a big "THANKS" to whoever sent it. Krista and Emily came by Glenda's Saturday morning to eat something fast before going to Terra's to show her Krista's new puppy she got from Emily. Logan's red wagon was at Glenda's so they put the puppy in a basket and placed it in the wagon; then tied the wagon to Krista's bike and off they went. Later the Glenda heard noises in the yard and the three girls were practicing the cheer leading. They are going to tryout soon. Kali was at Glenda's Sunday night to watch TV with her, and Howard and Allen dropped by also. Glenda's little grandson, Logan, loves to go to Ray's to get a hair cut. One day he tried to get Glenda to take him. Glenda is so thankful that some of her kids live close by. Janice was sick over the weekend but is feeling better now.

Jean Alexander has returned home after a two week stay with her children, Jim and Marla in Henry Chisholm and Jack Stults. Grandchildren, Will, Ashley and



Note: The Garden Club had their flower show Saturday. Cross Plains Garden Club members had been working toward the flower show all year with great, as planned-wonderful people, beautiful floral arrangements, lots of ribbons and awards presented; a lovely public and a great time was had by all. We thank each and everyone for coming to our show. We enjoyed it and I know you did, too. Combining our efforts with the Paint and Palette Clubs' exhibit of paintings and sculptures made it even better. We congratulate them on their show. Way to go!

"Prepping for the Summer"

Sooner or later, it's about time to start that spring house cleaning. So-o-oo-oo-since you are going to be cleaning anyway, why not change things around while you are at it. Probably you'll have a few guests this summer after school lets out. It is after all, vacation time, and we all have loads of friends and relatives some of whom will be anticipating a visit to Cross Plains this summer.

It looks so dark in the living room, makes the rooms look scary and foreboding. Ah-h-hh, I think I have it now. This living room or family room would look so good if we lighten it up some before summer vacations begin. Now what do I have on hand that I could use to redecorate this room?

Whether your floors are hardwood or carpeted, most everyone these days have these little berber rugs-one under the coffee table, a runner for the hallway and either one or two throw rugs, all of which match one another. Take up those dark rugs, have them cleaned, store them until you need them again. Replace them with lighter colored rugs, maybe sand or eggshell color or natural or any pastel shade. Bargain shop, check garage sales, resale

rugs, maybe you could recycle the rugs. If have lighter colored rugs in another room or bedroom, switch them with the living room rugs.

Purchase new lamp shades or spray pain or re-cover the shades you already have in a cheery light color. They will look lovely. For a new twist, trim the shade with little pearls or tie ribbon around it. If your style leans toward country, fold a bandana on the bias and tie around the shade. If possible get new curtains, at a store, garage sale or yard sale; trade for some, buy material and sew some. Just however you choose to do it. If you do the bandana thing, make or buy throw pillows and cover with bandanas or tie a bandana around some of your already existing throw pillows.

Change you pictures and decorate on side tables. Hang pictures of seaside scenes, ships sailing in the water, etc. On your coffee table and side tables, maybe a small boat, a container of seashells and other items that coincide with your color and decorating theme.

O.K., two new scenarios. Rugs, natural color, white curtains or ecru, either lace, dimity or sheers. Light, cool and thin is our intent. New lamps, lamp shades, a new fitted couch cover, chair and/or loveseat cover will change the decor. Put brightly colored throw pillows around, take down pictures, put up beach scenes pictures, landscapes, frame a selection of unusual shells attached to cardboard, or frame some lovely samples of herbs or flowers and mount in picture frames.

Your friends, relatives and acquaintances will rave over your newly decorated house and wonder how you can afford it. For the bedroom, a change of color of the bedspread, curtains, throw rugs and bric-a-brac will take care of that room.

What about redoing the kitchen? Naw! Let's just bar-b-q shops, estate sales, estate auc- outside on the patio, have sandtions and the like. Perhaps you wich picnics and eat out a lot. can afford to purchase new rugs. Now that sounds REALLY cool.

BREAKTHR

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

A colleague, Jon Jones, shared something in a church bulletin recently that I cannot help but pass on to you. Please read every word as he wrote it:

A gigantic retrospective showing of the late Pablo Picasso's works was held at the Museum of Modern Art in New York City. More than 900 of Picasso's works were displayed chronologically, beginning when he was a very young boy. Most of the earlier works were traditional landscapes and still-lifes. Then as the artist advanced in age, new colors began to emerge and the still-lifes were no longer very still. Finally, of course, the works turned into the kind of bold, zesty experiments for which Picasso is well known today. One art critic who saw the show recalled that once when Picasso was 85 years old, he was asked the reason why his earlier works were so solemn and his later works so exuberant and exciting. "How do you explain it?" asked the interviewer. "Easily!" Picasso answered, his eyes sparkling. "It takes a long time to become young.'

To become young — for some it takes a long time. For others, it takes an even longer time. But Jesus promises eternal salvation to all who become young enough in spirit to trust God, like the little child trusts a good, loving parent.

Jesus emphasized the importance of some childlike attitudes and attributes in saying, "...whoever does not receive the kingdom of God as a little child will by no means enter it," Mark 10:15, "...for of such is the kingdom of God," verse 14. And "...unless one is born again, he cannot see the kingdom of God," John 3:3. Are you old enough to be young? --- old enough to be young enough to be God's true child?

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

Earlene received many gifts, cards and phone calls. She attended church Sunday morning at the 4th and Stewart Church of Christ with Cindy and James Fuller. It was so nice to visit with friends she knew in Brownwood.

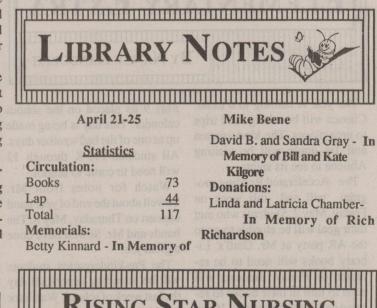
The wedding of Tige Ezzell and Erin Munster was performed in San Antonio. Olena, Anna, Janet and Scott Murphree attended the ceremony. The reception was held at the McAuther Church of Christ. Tige is the son of Bryan and Lisa Ezzell of Iowa Park. Olena is his grandmother and she is very proud of Tige and his new wife. Olena visited her sister, Uva, and her husband, Jack Jones, at Cottonwood a few days ago. Visitors over the weekend

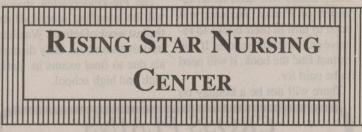
Andrea, were "super" nurses. They made sure grandmother did just what the doctor ordered! Jack and Will Alexander spent the weekend with James. They did some hunting and fishing, and even did a little cooking for their grandad!

We were very thankful for the good rain we received the past week. Everything is looking so green. Lots of gardens are being planted and lots of grass being fertilized.

Words of Wisdom: If ever you find happiness by hunting for it, you will find it, as the old woman did her lost spectacles-safe on her own nose all the time. Josh Billings

If you just can't find the correct





For the past three weeks we at the Rising Star Nursing Center have been coordinating a fundraiser to benefit the Cross Plains E.M.S. The garage sale was last Saturday and it was a huge success. Our appreciation to everyone who participated.

A special thanks to Dorothy Tuttle, who not only brought items, but made a very generous donation, and stayed and helped us work the sale. We made a substantial amount of money for this vital community service.

We really are lucky here at the with beautiful flowers. center. It always seems we are

receiving lovely donations from kind, caring individuals and groups. "Thank you" to Peggy Stallings, daughter of Bulah Ferguson, for the Easter cakes and cupcakes. Thanks to Village Market for the donation of Orchid corsages and last, but certainly not least, thanks to Tim's Floral and Gifts for the stunning Easter Lilies. All of our holiday flowers are designed by Tim and paid for by a Secret Pal who wants nothing more than to brighten up our residents' day

purple and dark green show off up ping gently and water. Have fun! Ephedra-Ephedri

Herbal, Dietary & Nutritional Supplements

Many nutritional, herbal and dietary products contain a Chinese herb called ephedra (mahuang). Studies have shown that these ephedrine alkaloids can lead to heart attacks and strokes for some users. If you believe that you or a loved one have been injured due to ephedra use from these products then call us for a Free Confidential Consultation.



SENIOR CITIZENS MENU

May 5 - May 9

MONDAY-- Chicken & Dumplins, Peas & Carrots, Peaches, Peanut Butter Chews, Bread, Milk TUESDAY -- Meatloaf w/ Brown Gravy, Potato Casserole, Spinach, Glazed Carrots, Bread, Milk WEDNESDAY-- Beef Tips, Glazed Carrots, Calif. Blend

Veggies, Apple Crisp, Bread, Milk THURSDAY--Tuna Noodle Cass., Cauliflower & Peas, Carrot Raisin Salad, Lime Gelatin w/pine-

apple, Crackers, Milk FRIDAY--Hamburger on Bun. Lettuce, Tomato, Onion, Pickles, Baked Beans, Oven Fries, Ambrosia, Milk

of color this year? Why not combine flowering plants and with attractive foliage in window boxes to add color to decks, win-

GARDEN TIPS

dow sashes and porch rails. Be sure it has drainage holes.

Does your house need a splash close.

When purchasing plants choose a color scheme or color combination that complements your house the back of the box. Trailing or landscape. Red, yellow, orange, bright pink and white look hang over the front and sides. Fill good at a distance, while blue, in the spaces with soil mix, tap-

Purchase a sterile potting mix containing peat and other ingredients that improves drainage, fertility and water holding capacity. Fill your window box about Choose containers that fit your half full with potting mix and add decor and available space and are water to moist the mix, if dry. Do at least 8 inches wide and deep. not use regular garden soil. Slip plants out of their pot setting, plant 2 to 5 inches apart, placing taller ones such as geraniums in plants such as lobelia should

By JAMES NICHOLS

C.P. STUDENT REVIEW

Girls Track Team 14th at Regional

By Al Pickett Special Writer

The Cross Plains girls' track team finished in 14th place Saturday at the Region II-A track meet at Abilene Christian University's Elmer Gray Stadium.

The Lady Buffaloes scored 20 points, but they failed to qualify anyone for the Class A state track meet in Austin.

Kelsee Richards missed earning a trip to Austin by just a half inch. She had a 38-4 1/2 effort to place third in the girls' shot put. Culley Jo Dawson of Water Valley was second with a throw of 38-5. Only the top two in each event qualify

for the state meet. Kim Mosier also narrowly

missed a chance to advance to Austin. She was third in the girls' 400 with a time of 1:00.80. That was less than a second behind Water Valley's Katrina Sanchez, who was second in 59.98.

Ashley Cook of Cross Plains finished fourth in the girls' 300meter hurdles with a time of 49.69

The Cross Plains boys scored three points at the regional meet. Brandon Horton was fifth in the boys' pole vault (12-6), and Michael Allen finished sixth in the boys' 400-meter dash (51.95).

Scott and Mykea Douglass won

the "A" girls double over Kassie

Milam and Michaela Wallace 8-

6. MaCayla Cook placed 3rd

dropping her match 2-8. Tiffany

Walker and Mary Beth Vasquez

placed 3rd after dropping their

first match 3-8 and winning their

second over Biggs and Schaefer

8-6. Haley Biggs and Starla

Schaefer placed 4th after drop-

ping their first match 1-8 and their

second to Walker and Vasquez.

Russell Allen defeated Brice

Bowden for the championship of

the "A" boys 8-1. Clay Koeneg

and David Peters were runner up

in the "A" doubles winning their

match 8-6 and losing in the cham-

pionship 6-8. Colton Manley and

Jacob Melton were 3rd after

dropping their match 4-8.

Jonathan Hopkins lost his first

round match 1-8. J.J. Callaway

SCHOOL BOARD MINUTES The Cross Plains I.S.D. Board

of Trustees met in a regular meeting with the following members present: Vicki Dillard, Susan Schaefer, Donnie Dillard, Bryan Bennett, Jim Cook, Monty Richards and Tony Wyatt. (Susan Schaefer came in late.)

The following administrators and guests were also in attendance: Supt., Jackie Tennison, Elem. Principal, Margie Sowell, and guests, Homer Parson, Becky Dillard, Annette Nickerson, Nora Odom and Matt Sowell.

Prayer was led by Donnie Dillard.

Minutes were approved with corrections.

and Seconded by Cook that 2003-2004 transfers are approved. For 6/Against 0

Motion was made by Wyatt and seconded by V. Dillard that C.P.I.S.D. band take trip to San Antonio May 2, overnight. For 6/ Against 0

Motion was made by Cook and seconded by Wyatt that Texas Heritage Bank approves C.P.I.S.D. Depository Pledge Contract. For 6/Against 0

Motion was made by V, Dillard and seconded by Bennett that Tuesday, May 6, 2003 at 7:00 p.m. is date for canvassing school board election. For 7/Against 0 Motion was made by Wyatt and seconded by Cook to approve changes to constitutions of C.P.I.S.D. High School and Junior High cheerleaders and mascot. For 7/Against 0

Executive session at 9:20 p.m./ out of session at 11:28 p.m.

Motion was made by Bennett and seconded by Richards to accept resignation of Leonard Wilson as High School principal. For 7/Against 0

Motion was made by Schaefer and seconded by V. Dillard to issue a Letter of Assurance to auxiliary personnel: Secretary/ Aides/Library- Charlou Cowan,



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DAIRY FOODS—The Diary Foods Judging team from Cross Plains High School claimed first place honors in the Area IV FFA Invitational Career Development Event hosted by Tarleton State University. Team members include (second from left) Jennifer Young (top high individual), A.J. Carouth (second high individual), Dani Rivard and Kati Wooten (sixth high individual). Pictured left is Cross Plains FFA sponsor Roy Richey. At far right is Dr. Jane Dennis, Associate Dean of Motion was made by Bennett Tarleton's College of Agriculture and Human Sciences. (Tarleton News Service photo)



POULTRY-The poultry judging team claimed first place in the Area IV FFA poultry judging competition at Tarleton State University. Team members included Cole Koenig (top high individual), Kevin Scott (fourth high individual), Nathan Joy and Brandon Horton. Pictured at left is Cross Plains High School FFA advisor Marc Morgan and right is Tarleton faculty member and contest director Dr. David Druekhammer. (Tarleton News Service photo)

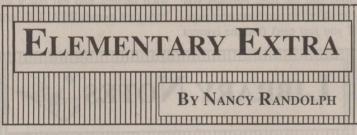


Tennis Season Ends Results Reported

Buffalo tennis ended this month the "A" girls singles 8-5. Karen with the high school going to San Angelo for district and the Jr. High going to Baird. The High School had a tough time in San Angelo. Kelsee Richards won her play in match easily, but lost her next match in straight sets to the 2nd ranked player in the district. Samantha Hutton lost her first varsity match in straight sets. She played well in the second set after shaking off some of the nerves. Dayna Bennett lost her first round match in a second set tie breaker. Russell Allen lost his play-in match after a tough battle. J.D. Cook was defeated in his first varsity match. Chris Harris and Clayton Thomas lost in their first tournament of the year. Chris Sliger and Nathan Joy were defeated in their match in the second round. They received a first round

The Jr. High matches were held won the "B" singles winning in Baird. Christina Avants won

three matches 8-0 8-2 9-7



The year is coming to a close. Classes will be taking field trips to area places. The kindergarten and 1st grade will be visiting Abilene to see its sights.

The Accelerated Reading program will end this week on Friday, May 2. Students who met their goal will be eligible to go to the AR party at Mr. Gatti's. Library books will need to be returned on Friday. Students will need to turn in their books to receive end of school reports. If you cannot find the book, it will need to be paid for.

May 9 as placed on the school calendar. This day is being made up as one of the bad weather days. All students Pre-K through 12 will need to come to school. Watch for notes from Mr.

Sowell about the end of year band concert on Thursday, May 8. The bands and Mr. Sowell have done a great job.

The Pre-kindergarten students will be attending school all day the last week of school. Watch for information about early dismissals due to final exams in junior high and high school.

There will not be a holiday on

CROSS PLAINS ALL SPORTS BANQUET

Monday, May 12, 2003 Tickets on sale now for \$12.00

Ticket purchases can be made at: Superintendents Office at school City Hall and Texas Heritage Bank

SCHOOL MENU

MAY 5- MAY 9

BBREAKFAST MONDAY -- Muffins, Assorted Juice TUESDAY -- Poptart, Yogurt, Assorted Juice WEDNESDAY--Pancakes, Sausage, Assorted Juice THURSDAY--Cercal, Toast Assorted Juice FRIDAY--Cheese Toast, Assorted Juice

LUNCH MONDAY -- Chicken Patty on Bun, Salad, Pickles, Brownies TUESDAY -- Salisbury Steak w/ brown gravy, Mashed Potatoes, Peas & Carrots, Rolls, Fresh Fruit WEDNESDAY--Meat-Cheese Nachos, Salad, Corn, Fruit Crisp THURSDAY--Pizza, Carrot Sticks, Salad, Rosy-Applesauce FRIDAY-- Hamburger, Lettuce, Tomato, Pickles, Fries, Rice Krispic Treat

Lurene McNutt, Carolyn Morgan, Annette Nickerson, Marilyn Tennison, Chris Kitchens, Natoschia Tennison, Carol Meador, Tonja Walker, and Debra Childers; Bus Drivers -Fred St. Peter, Bill Robinson, Mitchell Atchley, Bewel Neff, Homer Parsons, Bud Dillard; Custodial - Margaret Pointer, Christy McDonald, Gaynelle Callaway; Cafeteria - Babara Barnett, Inez King, Tani Pointer and Debbie Thomas. For 7/ Against 0

Motion was made by Richards and seconded by V. Dillard to issue a Letter of Assurance to Jean McWilliams. For 6/Against 0/1 Abstained-Wyatt.

Motin was made by Bennett and seconded by Wyatt to give Patricia Cook a Letter of Assurance. For 6/Against 0/1 Abstained-Cook.

Motion was made by Wyatt and seconded by Bennett to adjourn. For 7/Against 0

PARADE UPDATE

Here we are again !!! Yea!! It's PARADE TIME ... O.K. for all you folks who do not know this Saturday, May 3, 2003 is the annual parade for the baseball, softball and tee-ball teams. We have a Great line up at the parade this year starting with the Six White Horses from Hardin-Simmons. All the ball teams will be on flatbeds pulled by volunteer with old tractors. The Cross Plains EMS and Fire Department, plus the Cross Plains Police will attend.

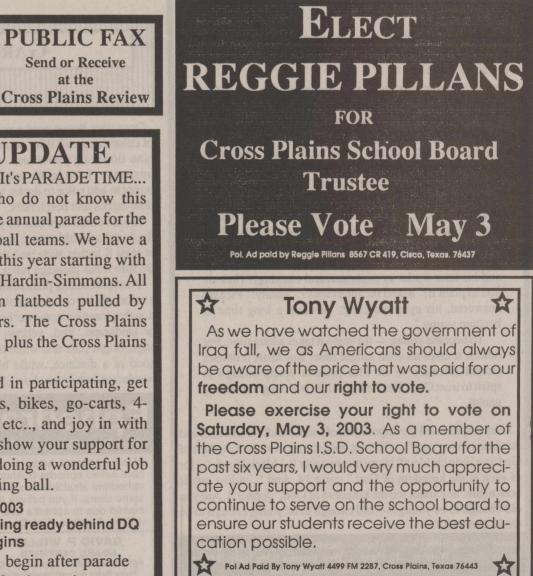
Anyone who is interested in participating, get out those old antique cars, bikes, go-carts, 4wheelers, wagons, horses, etc.., and joy in with us. Everyone please come show your support for these great kids who are doing a wonderful job and are excited about playing ball.

May 3, 2003

Teams getting ready behind DQ 10:30 a.m. 11:00 a.m. **Parade Begins**

Opening ceremony will begin after parade Games will start immediately after the opening ceremony

DAIRY CATTLE—The dairy cattle judging team placed sixth in the Area IV FFA Invitational Career Development Event at Tarleton. Team members included (second from left) Angela Rodriguez (second high individual), Kali Phillips, Cassie Gallaway and Chris Sliger. Pictured at right is Roy Richey and far left is Dr. Sandy Johnson, Tarleton faculty member and contest director. (Tarleton News Service photo)



CROSS PLAINS High School 2002-2003PRINCIPAL'S HONOR ROLL **5TH SIX WEEKS**

7th Grade - Joseph Callaway 8th Grade- Russell Thomas Freshman - None Sophomore- None Junior- Katherine Wooten, Jennifer Young Senior- Andrew Carouth, Judith Hartman, Kevin Scott, Chris Sliger, Emily Winfrey

"A" HONOR ROLL **5TH SIX WEEKS**

7th Grade- Joseph J Callaway, Markus G Maxwell, Jacob L Melton, Starla J Schaefer

8th Grade- Anthony R Gonzalez, William A Poole, Tracey K Randolph, Karen M. Scott, Russell B Thomas, Michaela L Wallace Freshman-Brittany N Adams, Rainey B. Bacon, Forrest L Creamer, Travis E Golson, Samantha J Hutton, Jesse M Norris, Ryan G Payne, Jeremiah J Snell

Sophomore- Michael L. Allen, Thomas A Dimitri, Stephanie K. Edington, Lori J Hail, Brandon W Horton

Junior- Phillip A Bennett, Laska B Dillard, Hayli-Jo N Foster, Priscilla C Hyles, Jose A Maricio, Brandon W Phillips, Angela M Rodriguez, Katherine E Wooten, Jennifer A Young Senior- Colby D Barton, Falon N Bass, Andrew J Carouth, Ashley D Cook, Tiffany S Goains, Christopher H. Harris, Judith R Hartman, Cole D Koenig, Byron L McNutt, Marian P Reed, Danielle J Rivad, Carrie E. Rogers, Kevin M Scott, Chris D. Sliger, Evan T Thornton, Emily J Winfrey

"AB" HONOR ROLL **5TH SIX WEEKS**

7th Grade- Tiffany A Aiken, Cody L Baker, Hailey K Biggs, Brice A Bowden, Macayla E Cook, Jerry R Daniel, Nick R. Garrett, Betty L Mathews, William O Meador, Candace E Rister, Bryan W Rivers, Jerry R Simons, Filigonio Vasquez, Mary B Vasquez, Tiffany N Walker, Joseph D Westerman

8th Grade- Christina L Avants, Joseph O Baker, Zachary D Bennett, Travis U Crockett, Justin C Dickson, Mykea S Douglass, Jonathan R Hopkins, Jacob L Ivie, Colton N Manley, Kassie C Milam, Michael J Navarro, David M Peters, Cato L Platt, Ashley L Rose

Freshman- Vecy R Carpenter, River P Dillard, Ricky J Gibson, Jarrah P Hutchins, Naomi R Isbell, Joanna J James, Maci N Phillips, Claudia M Ramiriz, Raymond J Sifuentes, Garrett W Stephens, Clayton L Thomas, Megan D Thomas, Chance E Watkins Sophomore- Christopher W Beaty, Dayna L Bennett, Travis F Black, Trina M Brown, Jimmie D Cook, Michael R Gregory, Aaron K Isbell, Dustin H Ivey, Laci R Jessup, Joshlin J Nelson, Kali L Phillips, Kelsee D Richards, Otha M Robertson, Karen E Ross, Natashia C Wolford

Junior- Russell W Allen, Brittany R Apple, Dusty D Dickson, Randell K Duncan, Casandra M Gallaway, Ashleigh M Haan, Shana T Hyles, Jessica C James, Kimberly L Mosier, Casey D Pack, Janielle A Rivard, Grady C Wellmaker

Senior- Aaron D Lewis, Dustin R Purvis, Cassia B Ratliff, Wendy M Rose, Troy L Westbrook

CROSS PLAINS ELEMENTARY 2002-2003 PRINCIPAL'S HONOR ROLL **5TH SIX WEEKS**

First Grade-Lindsey Ames, Jaden Kennedy, Haleigh King, Christa Potter, Cameron Rockett, Tristen Stephenson Second Grade- Makayla Cowan, Joe Holland Third Grade- Lauren Goode, Zoie Walker Fourth Grade- Shawna Lewis, Logan Turner Fifth Grade- NONE Sixth Grade- Krista Phillips

CROSS PLAINS ELEMENTARY 2002-2003 "A" HONOR ROLL

5TH SIX WEEKS

First Grade-Lindsey N. Ames, Jaden M. Kennedy, Haleigh G. King, Christa B. Potter, Cameron L. Rockett, Tristen E. Stephenson, Brett R. Webb, Alyssa K. Wheeler, Justin L. Willis

Second Grade- Makayla C. Cowan, Victoria L. Creamer, Britton P. Dukes, Katharine B. Goode, Joe V. Holland, Riley P. Lawrence, Hailey A Mosley

Third Grade- Shelby B Ames, Ryder H. Foster, Lauren E. Goode, Katherine M. Taff, Austin D. Thomas, Morgan M. Thomas, Zoie P. Walker

Fourth Grade- Delany D. Ames, Shawna D. Lewis, Samuel C. Rockett, Logan T. Turner, Dillon D Whiteley, Hayden C Wyatt Fifth Grade- Tiffany P. Holland, Shelby J. Randolph, Zachary T. Snell

Sixth Grade- Emily M. Harris, Tawni R Nichols, Krista D. Phillips, Mandy J Rose, Brooklyn A Strength

CROSS PLAINS ELEMENTARY 2002-2003 "AB" HONOR ROLL

5th Six Weeks

First Grade- Joshua C Branch, Brocklin C. Cantu, Colton B McWilliams, Dalton W. Mosley, Jacob T. Parker Second Grade- Preston F Armer, Chelsea M Branch, Dakota R. Gilliam, Daniel L Higgins, Kathleen E. Horton, Nathan J Pfoh, Brandon A Skidmore, Shahala J. Trammell, Layton C. Turner, Tyler C. Zink

Third Grade- Rebecca R. Allen, Jayten M. Ames, Charleen M. Avants, Dakota S. Bomar, Samantha C. Dickson, Hannah J. Horton, Ethan W Koettel, Violia J. McKenzie, Chelsea M Perry, Payton G Porter, Brianne L Purcell, Victoria Robertson-Durbin, Rosa A. Salazar, Justin W. Simons, Misty L. Simons, Sammie S Tollett, Kristin N. Willis

Fourth Grade- Tyler T. Avants, Kevin J Baker, Patrick R Border, Brittney N Crafton, Cody E. Ford, Justin C. Golson, Joel T. Hinten, Jonathan R Hollis, Jacob L Marsh, Chad Z Switzer, Robert A. Wheeler, Savana R. Wyatt

Fifth Grade- Emma G Bennett, Melissa S. Black, Tara R. Brown, Nathan L. Creamer, Amanda K Dunaway, Emily C. Foster, Kayla D. Lawrence, Amber B Parker, Kelsey R. Pointer, Benjamin E. Schaefer, Cody J. Sliger

Sixth Grade- Sheena R. Apple, Terrah S Augustine, Lela E Bills, Douglas B. Bowden, Stasha B Draper, Ashleigh S. Gallaway, Anthony R. Hutton, Renee P. Salazar, Thomas C. Savell, Charlie Vasquez, Joe D. Wyatt

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Kristen Hunter Recognized at CJC Awards Ceremony

Cisco Junior College conducted themselves to be outstanding its 35th annual Awards Cer- students and persons. emony Monday, April 14. Each Kristen Hunter of Coleman spring semester, CJC recognizes was recognized as an Outstandand honors members of the stu- ing Student of Cosmetology. dent body who have proven She is the daughter of Ken and

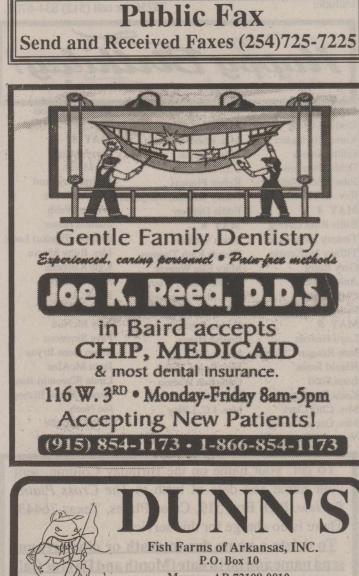
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skills program

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basketball

Dennis Harp is offering a Basketball Skills Program to any youngster who is interested in improving their basketball skills. Youth who take advantage of this daily program do drills to help them develop ball control, shooting, and fundamental defensive skills. You may check the weekly schedule on the website www.dennisharp.com. Please call Dennis Harp at (915) 691-1416 for additional information.

Grand Ole Oplin Band Line-up for May Told

The Grand Ole Oplin is proud to announce its band line-up for the month of May. Starting the month off on May 2 Muddy Creek will be here to play all your favorite dancing tunes. On May 9th, Roland and the Roadrunners will join up playing their special brand of toe tapping music. Texas Touch will be entertaining us all on May 16th and our Saturday night Birthday Bash will be held on May 17th, but the band will be announced at a later date. On May 23 Muddy Creek will be joining us once again playing all their familiar tunes. On May 30th (our fifth Friday of the month dance) we're not sure who's playing at this time, but we'll do our best to find someone and let you know when we do.

The Grand Ole Oplin is located at F.M. 604 and F.M. 2926 at the Oplin Community Center. Our dances begin at 7:30 p.m. and end at 10:30 p.m. Alcohol and smoking are not allowed. Admission to our dances is only \$4.00 per person and everyone is invited to bring a snack to be enjoyed by all during the band's break.

So gather the family and friends, put on your dancing boots, and come on out to the Grand Ole Oplin for an evening of good music, good friends and a good time.

Submitted by Pam Rumfield

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CROSS PLAINS KEY CLUB COLLECTED ITEMS AND LETTERS FOR "YELLOW RIBBON DAY" LOCALLY

Key Club Hosts Yellow Ribbon Day in Cross Plains for Troops

"Yellow Ribbon Day" in Cross were written to our troops. Plains was a huge success. The Cross Plains High School Key Plains Elementary each typed a Club, led by Mrs. Charlene letter on the computer to be dis-Fleming, hosted the event. The tributed. Key Club is open to all high school students. Key Club mem- a another person. This special bers perform lots of community person delivered over 100 handservice. They are a young written letters and addressed each "Kiwanis" Club.

The Key Club gathered at Higginbotham Brothers and an e-mail read by this person. The Company to collect "care pack- e-mail was from a young Chrisage" items for our troops. Various tian soldier who was afraid he items were brought in by member was going against God's word by of our community.

Ones, bubble gum, playing cards, these same fears, "our special pershampoo, Carmex lip balm and travel size toilet paper were just a sampling of donated items. tures in the Bible to confirm their Someone even brought three rolls reason for being there. These letof snuff.

These are things we take for heart. I am proud to know such a granted everyday, but I'm sure person. This person said, "To will be greatly appreciated by whoever receives any of this package.

Living, working and fighting in the desert has got to humble you to appreciate any nicety that comes your way. The Key Club collected enough

items to fill four large Rubbermaid tubs. Besides all of the material

On Saturday, April 19, our things, several cards and letters

The 4th graders from Cross

A very special gift was given by "To A Brave Soldier".

These letters were prompted by fighting in the war. To reassure Everything from eye drops, Wet and comfort any soldier with son" wrote these compassionate letters referring to several scripter were truly a gift from the know I've helped just one makes 24.

it worthwhile."

Mrs. Fleming reported that she felt this project was a true eyeopener for the Key Club participants. As they collected these items on that Saturday, they had a true understanding that this is a "real" war with "real" people laying their lives down for our freedom.

God Bless our Troops! Please prayers.

"Thank you" to all who help contribute to this worthwhile project.

Submitted by Vicki Dillard

Callahan County Attorney's Office Annual Report (2002)

Three trials and three appeals were just a part of the work of the County Attorney's Office last year. Theft of anhydrous ammonia and attempted manufacture of a controlled substance cases continue to keep the Sheriff's Office and the County Attorney's Office busy. Hot checks, DWI's and more traditional crimes continued as usual. In May, a Defendant was tried

by a jury and found guilty of forgery. She was also serving a probated sentence which was revoked and sentenced to one year in prison on each case. June saw the trial and conviction of a defendant for felony possession of marijuana and he was sentenced to eight years in prison. In October, a Cross Plains man was convicted of aggravated sexual assault of a child and later sentenced to thirty five years in prison. All three defendants appealed their convictions and all three have since been affirmed. The defendants are serving their sentences in prison. According to office records 314 cases were filed in county and district court during the year. This number does not include hot checks collected out of court, include them daily in your juvenile cases, appeals, writs, probation revocations, or forfeitures, however. The office also participated in many justice court cases and trials. 731 hot checks were handled during the year. Most were collected by the of-

of \$ 48,652.45 without filing in court. This compares to 427 checks and \$41,023.36 collected just four years ago. Restitution of \$40,264.13 went to victims compared to \$33,291.51 in 1998. Collection fees of \$8,388.32 were collected in 2002. This amount does not include restitution and fees collected through court and the probation office as the County Attorney's Office does not have those records.

A hand counting of office files shows 121 criminal cases were filed in county court with 203 disposed while 65 cases were filed in district court and 121 disposed. These numbers reflect files the office has opened on cases. Many cases and investigations are disposed out of court and are not reflected in the court records. 34 traffic cases were filed and 32 disposed and 94 check cases were filed with the court and 92 disposed. October was the busiest month in county court with 28 cases disposed. District Court saw 17 cases disposed in February and was the busiest month in that court.

District Court Monthly Reports indicate that 66 new cases were filed in 2002 and 88 disposed. This does not include probation violations, Grand Jury, Habeas Corpus cases, juvenile cases and forfeiture cases. County Court

fice resulting in a total collection monthly reports indicate that 267 new cases were filed and 239 cases were disposed during 2002.

> One of the busiest areas of prosecution was in anhydrous ammonia cases. The office handled 31 anhydrous cases (possession or transportation of anhydrous ammonia in an unapproved container) during the year. 21 were disposed during 2002 including 3 motions to revoke probation. 3 of the cases have been disposed this year and 7 are pending

Office numbers differ from court reports because they reflect different activities. Cases which are no billed by a Grand jury or investigations which are closed out without charges being filed are not reflected in court reports but do represent the work the office has done. Office activity is determined by a computer list of cases and hand counting of certain types of cases

Allen Wright has been a prosecutor for fourteen years and the Callahan County Attorney for ten years. Janece Tucker is the Office Administrator and Bob Lowe is the office investigator. Lynette Bowen assists with the check collection and other jobs part time. Everyone in the of fice is proud to serve the citizens of Callahan County and the office is open to the people we serve.

Trauma Month Observed Throughout May

Communities across Texas and the U.S. will be observing Trauma Month throughout the month of May with EMS Week set aside on the dates of May 18-

Most people know the way emergency medical services and trauma systems improve the quality of life in communities. The Cross Plains EMS appreciates the community's support and depends on that support to maintain the current service.

The local service is always in need of volunteers to assist in serving this caring community. The annual "stand at the light" fund-raiser is fast approaching and volunteers are needed to take shifts to make this a successful event. If interested, please contact one of the EMS board members: Curtis Cooper (254) 725-6770, George Mathews 725- 7287, John Swift 725-6443, Rhonda Hinten 725-7469, Jimmy Long 725-6432,

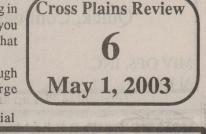
When you call 9-1-1, you access the emergency care system and its personnel, available by telephone everywhere in Texas 24 hours a day. These emergency response personnel provide medical care to injured or ill people at the scene and while transporting them to hospitals. An injured person may be taken to a trauma center, one of 189 facilities across Texas, where injuries are assessed and treated. or the patient is transferred to another hospital for more spe- ing emergency medical ser- reau of Emergency Management cialized care, according to Kathy vices." Healthy life-style habits at 1100 W. 49th St., Austin Perkins, Chief of the Bureau of include:

arrives makes a significant dif- Stay on the phone with 9-1-1 cenference to an injured or ill person. ter until they tell you to hang up. If possible, send someone else to wait near the street or in the parking lot to direct the ambulance to the victim. Remember not to move the injured or ill person unless the person is in immediate danger. Do not allow them to cat or drink anything or to smoke. Keep the person calm and still.

"While we can be proud of the emergency medical services and trauma system in Texas," Perkins said, "prevention" is still the best way to avoid need*Wearing seat belts and buckling children into child safety seats

- *Keeping immunizations current
- *Eating right and exercising regularly
- *Driving at safe speeds *Avoiding alcohol and drug use while driving
- *Keeping guns and poisons A

locked up in a safe place. To receive a copy of TDH's brochure "When Minutes Count: A Citizens' Guide to Medical Emergencies," contact the TDH Bu-78756, or call (512) 834-6700.



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Emergency Management, Texas Department of Health (TDH).

"More than 50,000 trained, certified and licensed emergency personnel perform an essential service outside the hospital and many more work in trauma centers, Perkins said. "These highly trained professionals treat patients at the scene of the emergency and in the hospital and are an integral part of Texas' emergency care system for victims of sudden and serious injury or illness.' Recognizing an emergency is

the first step in getting emergency help for ill or injured people. Car crashes, chest pains, obvious broken bones and serious burns are considered emergencies by most people. But not all emergency situations are so obvious. Call 9-1-1 immediately if any of these conditions are present: *Serious bleeding

*Unconsciousness

*Neck or spine injuries *Signs of a heart attack, including crushing chest pain, profuse sweating, arm, neck and jaw pain

*Unexplained paralysis *Burns

*Absence of breath *Choking

*Broken bones

*Head, chest or abdominal injuries.

Common sense and knowing the victim also are important to assessing an emergency. "Factors such as stressful events, a preexisting medical condition or abnormal behavior may also signal an emergency situation exists for an individual," Perkins said. How you make the call to 9-1-1 also is important. Stay calm or have someone else make the call. Give the 9-1-1 communication specialist whatever information is requested. This information usually includes the address or location of the emergency, your name and the telephone number at your location, the name of the injured or ill person and information about the illness or injury.



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County Courthouse lawn in Baird the day, along with the reading

CELEBRATING ARBOR DAY- on Saturday, April 26. The cel- of a proclamation by County A number of Callahan County ebration included the planting Judge Roger Corn celebrating residents attended the Arbor Day of a baby "Treaty Oak" tree and celebration at the Callahan dedication marker recognizing Day.

the 131st anniversary of Arbor

Callahan County residents celebrate Arbor Day with special tree planting

Approximately 30 Callahan County residents celebrated Arbor Day Saturday, April 26 with a special planting of a baby "Treaty Oak" on the Callahan County Courthouse lawn in Baird.

Eric Copeland, Regional Urban Forester of the Texas Forest Service, joined with Callahan County children from the Jump Start Preschool to plant an offspring from the original and famous Treaty Oak located in Austin, Texas. Callahan County Judge Roger Corn also read a proclamation celebrating the 131st anniversary of Arbor Day.

County Judge Allen Wright, who also serves on the Callahan County Historical Commission and Felix Manion unveiled a special marker honoring the day on the courthouse lawn. Wright told the audience that Texans love our history and revere it. Wright said the tree and marker symbolizes the great state of Texas.

Arbor means "tree" in Latin. Arbor Day is a special day that has been set aside for planting and caring for trees. The first Arbor Day was celebrated in Nebraska on April 10, 1872, and was started by J. Sterling Morton. Mr. Morton was a newspaper publisher who en-

couraged Nebraskans to plant trees to beautify and enrich the treeless state. He offered prizes for the most trees planted; more than a million trees were planted on the first Arbor Day. Trees may be the most important useful plants on our earth. They provide us with oxygen we need to breathe, water that is vital to all living things, food for both animals and people, wood that we depend on for our houses, furniture, and paper products-not to mention the oasis of shade on a steamy summer day! Over 500 years ago on a

steamy summer day under a shady Oak tree, legend has it that Stephen F. Austin signed the first boundary treaty between the local Indians and the settlers. The treaty was needed after the Indians carried off and killed a small boy and girl found wandering near Shoal Creek, and in 1841 when the first county judge went past the grove in search of stray cattle and was killed by a Comanche war party. The Treaty Oak is the last survivor of a grove of 14 trees known to local Indians as the Council Oaks. The land where the tree grows belonged to the W.H. Caldwell family who sold it to the City of Austin in 1937, for \$1,000. In 1989 Paul

Cullen poisoned the Treaty Oak with the chemical Velpar, which is specifically designed to kill hardwood trees. The culprit was arrested, tried and convicted for his crime. While he could have received life in prison, the jury sentenced him to just nine years. In spite of extensive efforts, only about 35% of the tree was saved. In 1997, the Treaty Oak produced its first crop of acorns since the poisoning. In 1999, all the Baby treaty Oaks found homes in Texas (and other states) thus ensuring its continuing legacy. With all its worldwide fame, the Treaty Oak has become a symbol of our time. It is a symbol of nature versus modern technology. It is a symbol of compassion and concern, of strength and permanence. Baird is proud to be planting this Baby Oak in memory of the great Stephen F. Austin Treaty Oak

Also in celebration of Arbor Day immediately after planting the Baby Oak, Jump Start Preschool marked Arbor Day with a very special planting of their own with two crepe myrtles at the courthouse lawn.

Comptroller finds additional \$2.1 billion in cuts, new revenue

AUSTIN-Texas Comptroller Carole Keeton Strayhorn unveiled an additional \$2.1 billion in proposed cuts and new revinstitute video lottery in Texas race tracks - with proceeds dedicated to local property tax relief and education.

Today's report brought the comptroller's total E-Texas recommendations to \$5.7 billion in total savings and revenue for the upcoming biennium, and \$3.5 billion in general revenue enhancements, all without new taxes.

"These are unprecedented and challenging times in our great state," Strayhorn said. "We have a record high budget shortfall and I believe we will have a historic, unfortunate first with a loss in sales tax revenue two years in a row. Serious circumstances call for serious action."

The comptroller's video lottery proposal would allow video lottery machines within the confines of racetracks where voters have already approved gaming. Strayhorn said such a move would generate \$712 million in the upcoming biennium and would provide billions in years to come.

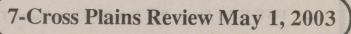
Strayhorn coupled the statutory video lottery recommendation with a call for a state constitutional amendment that would tie these funds to three areas: 1. Reduce the limit for maxi-

mum increase in local residential property taxes from 10% to 5%, and increase the state's share of public education fund-

2. Provide two years of public community or technical college for every Texas high school graduate - Texas Next Step

3. Dedicate the significant remaining revenue to increased education spending, such as health insurance and pay raises for teachers

The complete report can be found at the comptroller's web site at http:// www.window.state.tx.us/



Putnam Homecoming Planned for May 10th

All Putnam friends, ex-stu- The master of ceremonies will enues, including a proposal to dents, and ex-teachers are invited to attend the 2003 Putnam to have some ex-students and Homecoming. Registration, fellowship, and visitation will begin at 9:00 AM on May 10, 2003 in the schoolhouse. Bar-be-que and ham sandwiches with drink and dessert will be served at 11:30 a.m. The cost of the meal is \$5.00.

The General Session will begin in the auditorium at 1:00 p.m. www.putnamtexas.com.

be Carl White. Carl is prepared teachers share some of their experiences while they attended school at Putnam. The present schoolhouse was opened in 1937, and was closed in 1976. For more information, please contact Mary Green at 325-662-3631 or Hubert Donaway at 325-662-3334. Visit their website at

Admiral Cemetery Association membership meeting, workday set for May 3rd

membership meeting and workday at the cemetery on Saturday, May 3rd. The event will begin at 8:30 a.m. and conhelp remove trash, trim trees and bushes, and fill-in graves butions if the present level of that have settled. The business maintenance is to be continued meeting will include a financial in the months ahead. report and an election to fill the expiring term on the board of directors currently held by Dora Hounshell.

The Admiral Cemetery Association is a nonprofit corpora- branch of the First National Bank Texas for the purpose of im- 7257 CR 474, Baird, Texas proving and maintaining this 79504.

The Admiral Cemetery Asso- historic site. The work of the ciation will conduct its annual association is funded by interest earned on a certificate of deposit and gifts and memorials offered by friends and family members. Low interest rates clude at noon. Families with have drastically reduced the yield loved ones buried in the cem- of the association's endowment etery are asked to come out and over the past year. This has created a critical need for contri-

All donations to the Admiral Cemetery Association's Maintenance Fund are greatly appreciated and are accepted at any tion chartered by the State of of Baird or may be mailed to





small "Treaty Oak" which was April 26.

DEDICATION MARKER—Felix planted on the Callahan County Manion, at left, and Allen Wright, Courthouse lawn in Baird in recright, unveil the marker for the ognition of Arbor Day Saturday,





TREATY OAK PLANTING-Eric Copeland, right, Regional Urban Forester for the Texas Forest Service, joins with Callahan County children to plant the baby "Treaty Oak" on the Callahan County Courthouse lawn in Baird Saturday, April 26 in rec-

ognition of Arbor Day. The baby "Treaty Oak" is the offspring from the original Treaty Oak in Austin where legend has it Stephen F. Austin signed the first boundary treaty between the local Indians and the Texas settlers over 500 years ago.

Central Texas Opportunities public meeting slated May 6

Attention residents of Callahan County, Central Texas Opportunities, Inc. will be holding a public meeting to elect a board member to represent the lowincome population. The meeting will be held at North 1st Street in Clyde, Texas at 10:30 a.m. on Tuesday, May 6, 2003. Qualification for Board Mem-

bers include resident of county and want to represent low-income population on Central Texas Opportunities, Inc. Board of Directors. If you have any questions please call Central Texas Opportunities, Inc. at 1-800-625-4167.

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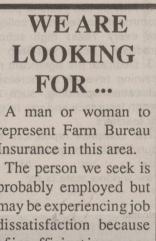
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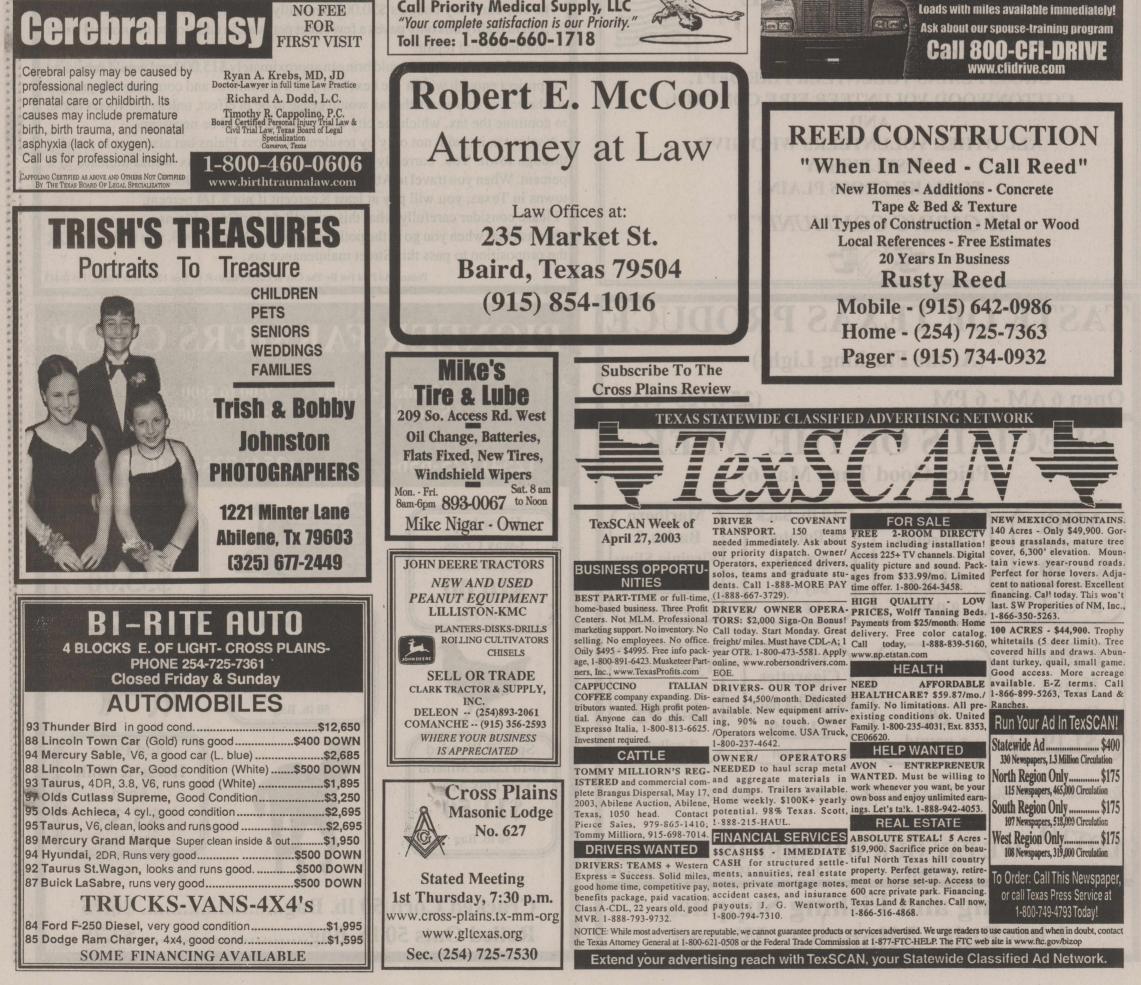
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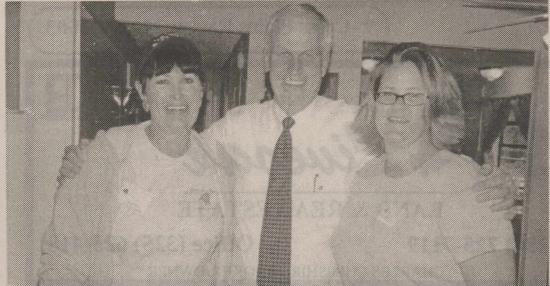
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Rising Star Farms

Shepherd and Jim and Connie hand coordination, balance and Reynolds are the backbone and flexibility, but go a step further in glue that run and hold this teaching and nurturing self assuramazing program together, but ance, worth and confidence. The they would never think that. participants learn that they can They would tell you it's the accomplish and master feats that varied, enthusiastic and self-less volunteers, the highly trained and obedient horses, and of course the hope that lies within the smiles of the participants themselves that make it the healing place that it is.

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were out of their reach and impossible before the program. For those who do not desire to ride, there is also a non-riding program that includes grooming, horse maintenance and getting in better physical and mental shape. The youngest participant is 2 1/2 years old and the oldest is 76.

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Rising Star Farms Foundation is a non-profit foundation. They make no money off of what they lovingly do, nor do they charge for their services. They rely solely on private donations and volunteers. If they would ask anything, as they pour their heart into this valuable program, it is that you would come out and see for yourself what they have to offer and perhaps then be moved to participate as a volunteer in this wonderful and life-changing endeavor. As United States Congressman, Charles Stenholm remarked as he toured the farm, "Hopefully this dream that you have is further coming to pass...young men and women only a horse can bring...the

As you look at the logo of the Rising Star Farms Foundation, the first thing you see is the silhouette of a majestic horse. Upon further inspection, you will notice the outline of a smiling child's face, looking up, with a star in his eye, representing the hope he feels, as his dreams too

Cross Plains Garden Club Flower Show Awards Told

Though it was a trifle windy, the Garden Club had an otherwise beautiful, sunshiny day for their Flower Show, "Natures Palette". The Cross Plains Garden Club's annual Flower Show was held Saturday, April 26, at the Senior Citizens' Center at downtown Cross Plains. Barbara Powell is the Club President and Eva Fleming was Chairman of this year's show.

The floral arrangements were superb and the home grown plants exhibited in the Horticultural Division were outstanding! Like on T.V., and I quote ... "And the winner is." Under Horticul-

ture: Award of Merit goes to Eva Fleming for her larkspurs. Eva Fleming received a second Award of Merit for her Cayenne Pepper Iris.

Julene Franke won an Arboreal Award for her Barlett Pears. A third Award of Merit went to Eva Fleming for her Angel Wing Begonia. Eva also received the Hor-

are becoming a reality.

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ticultural Excellence Award on Franke, Wanda Martin, Joyce the Begonia.

The Collectors Showcase Award was won by Joyce Odom

for her lovely display. Eva Fleming won the Sweepstakes Award in Horticulture with the most points. Other Horticulture winners in the order of points were: Joyce Odom, Julene Franke, Wanda Martin, Mary Ella Weaver, Esther Kerr and Barbara Powell.

In the Design Division Tony Skidmore won the Tri-Color Award. Blue ribbon winners were: Joyce Odom, Tony Skidmore and Eva Fleming. The Designers Choice Award went to Robert Powell. Blue ribbon winners were: Barbara Powell, Mary Ella Weaver and Bob Powell. Winning in the Design Divisions Sweepstakes was Robert (Bob)

Second place ribbons in the Design Division went to Julene

Udom

Odom, LaJuan Killian and Barbara Powell (with two second place ribbons). In third place receiving yellow ribbons were: Bob

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Powell, Joyce Odom, Mary Crockett, Eva Fleming, Mary Ella Weaver and Esther Kerr. Awarded white ribbons for Honorable Mention were: Bob Powell, Julene Franke, Wanda Martin, Kay Mosley, James Nichols and Betty Beggs.

Powell.

a nice turnout for viewing and the Cross Plains Garden Club would like to thank everyone for attending.

Submitted by Kay Mosley **Publicity Chairman**

In the Special Exhibits Division

the Award of Appreciation was

presented to Mary Ella Weaver

Congratulations to all the gar-

den club members and other ex-

hibitors, and to the Show Chair-

man, Eva Fleming, for a beautiful

show and a job well done. We had

for her "Bird Habitat Exhibit".

ment at San Augustine County in was." East Texas. He was employed there for several years before be- continue their horse and cattle ing transferred to Iowa Park for a operations following his retirebrief time. His next move was to ment. Claude, near Amarillo and in He is the son of Dorothy and the 1982 he accepted the CED posi- late Morris Odom of Cross tion at Callahan County in Baird. Plains. He has a daughter, Ashley Odom remarked, "I've always Moon of Albany, and two grandenjoyed my work wherever I children, Parker and Aubrey.

Scott and his wife, Sherry, will

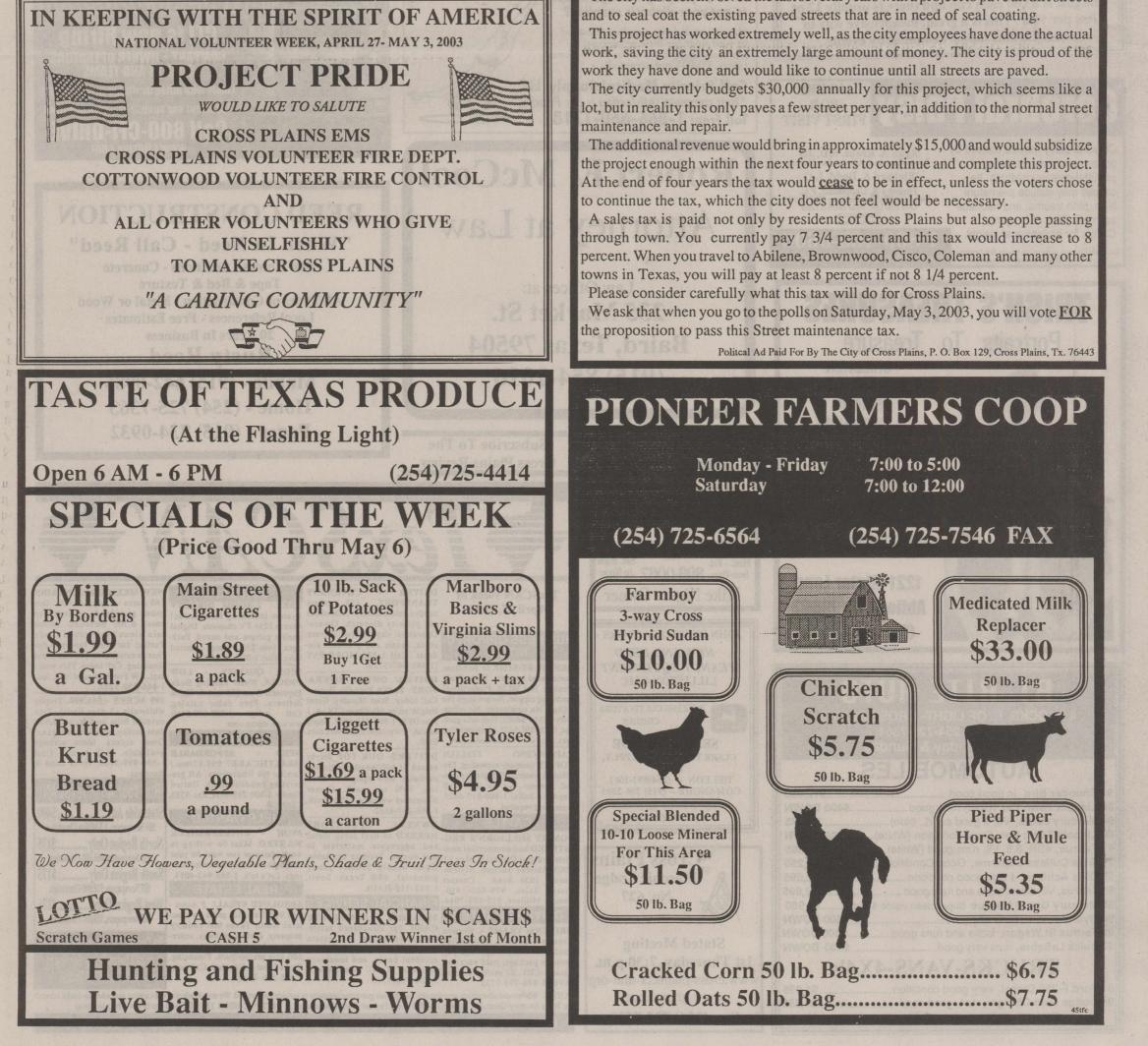
Explanation of Proposition for Sales Tax for Street Maintenance

The City of Cross Plains had on its May 3, 2003 ballot a proposition for a 1/4 percent sales tax for the repair and maintenance of city streets.

The city has been involved the last several years with a project to pave all dirt streets

work, saving the city an extremely large amount of money. The city is proud of the

The city currently budgets \$30,000 annually for this project, which seems like a lot, but in reality this only paves a few street per year, in addition to the normal street



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