

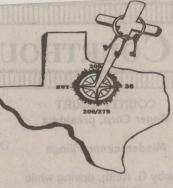
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EDITOR'S NOTE: The following is a compassionate story that will make you think. We should all be thankful for our 'earthly fathers, but we should also have a special relationship with our Heavenly Father. Please remember to honor your dad. I miss my Dad so much. If your father is still alive make him feel loved on his special day. Here's hoping you have a wonderful Father's Day. Vanda Anderson Creech

"The Father"

After a few of the usual Sunday evening hymns, the church's pastor slowly stood up, walked over to the pulpit, and before he gave his sermon for the evening, briefly introduced a guest minister who was in the service that evening.

In the introduction, the pastor told the congregation that the guest minister was one of his dearest childhood friends and that he wanted him to have a few moments to greet the church and share whatever he felt would be appropriate for the service.

With that, an elderly man stepped up to the pulpit and began to speak.

"A father, his son, and a friend of his son were sailing off the Pacific coast," he began, "when a fast approaching storm blocked any attempt to get back to the shore. The waves were so high, that even though the father was an experienced sailor, he could not keep the boat upright and the three were swept into the ocean as the boat capsized.'

The old man hesitated for a moment, making eye contact with two teenagers who were, for the first time since the service began, looking somewhat interested in his story.

The aged minister continued with his story," grabbing a rescue line, the father had to make the most excruciating decision of his life: to which boy he would throw the other end of the life line. He only had seconds to make the decision.

The father knew that his son was a Christian and he also knew that his son's friend was not. The agony of his decision could not be matched by the torrent of waves. As the father yelled out, life line to his son's friend.

By the time the father had pulled the friend back to the capsized boat, his son had disappeared beneath the raging swells into the black of night. His body was never recovered.

By this time, the two teenagers were sitting up straight in the pew, anxiously waiting for the devoted to their community and next words to come out of the its people without expectation of old minister's mouth. "The father," he continued, "knew his son would step into eternity with Jesus and he could not bear the thought of his son's friend stepping into an eternity without Jesus. Therefore, he sacrificed his son to save the son's friend. How great is the love of God that He should do the same for us. Our heavenly father sacrificed his only begotten son that we could be saved. I urge you to accept his offer to rescue you and take a Fabrication in Cross Plains have hold of the life line he is throwing out to you in this service."

With that, the old man turned Workforce Investment Fund and sat back down in his chair as (WIF). silence filled the room. The

Barbarian Festival **Downtown Cross Plains** Saturday, June 14th

If you are looking for something the whole family will enjoy, come out Saturday for the fifth annual Barbarian Festival in downtown Cross Plains. This year we have added new items for your enjoyment.

At 9:00 a.m. the day will begin with a parade. Come see the antique cars and tractors, plus motorcycles. The children will be riding bikes, pulling wagons or riding on floats. If you would like to take part in this parade there is still time. If you are in the parade or just want to be in the parade, meet behind the Dairy Queen at at the parade.

be presenting a mock accident is to promote awareness of the Cross Plains E.M.S. protocols and skills when working with vic-

tims of a motor vehicle accident involving alcohol.

The E.M.S. will present how MCI (Multiple Casualty Incidents) are handled.

It will also exhibit how the E.M.S. works cooperatively with other services including the fire department, Justice of the Peace, and Sheriff's department.

This exhibit will also show how the E.M.S. uses the dispatch system through the Callahan County Sheriff's Department.

The mock accident will be narrated over the P.A. system so 8:30 a.m. The car, antique tractor all spectators can hear what is and motorcycle show will begin happening. The mock accident scene will be at the intersections The Cross Plains E.M.S. will of 3rd Street and Main (RR Production Property). A critical air scene at 10:30 a.m. The purpose helicopter will be arriving on the scene and afterwards the public See Festival Page 6



LOCAL RESIDENT HONORED — Julene Franke is accepting the Cross Plains Masonic Lodge's Community Builder Award from Donnel Clark.

Julene Franke Honored for Community Service

By John Baum

Julene Franke was honored as this year's recipient of Cross Plains Masonic Lodge's Community Builder Award during presentation ceremonies at this 'I love you son!' He threw out the past Tuesday's luncheon meeting of the local Kiwanis Club.

> The rarely bestowed award is to formally recognize outstanding non-Masons who have distinguished themselves through service to their community, to the local, state, or national government, to their church, or to humanity. It seeks out those men

recognition or honors.

Dorothy Julene Franke was born to Harold Dale and Rozell Johnson Gary in a small house near Colonial Oaks Nursing home, Cross Plains, Texas. She grew up on land east of town while attending and graduating from Cross Plains High School. Her ancestral roots run deeper and straight to the heart of America.

Maternal great-grandparents, Nancy and John Henry Johnson, left Alabama and settled near Scranton, Texas after the Civil War. Freed slaves brought with them did not like the area and See Julene Page 4

Local Business Receives Workforce Grant

Central Texas Workforce Development Board is pleased to announce that R.E. Dye Manufacturing in Breckenridge and Barr been named recipients of grant funds offered through the

The WIF was recently created See Down Home Page 5 by the Workforce Board to pro-

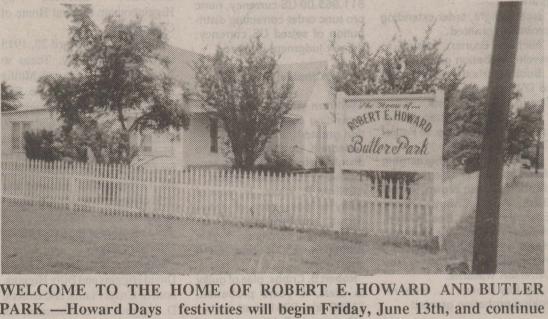
Abilene, Texas —The West vide funds for customized training, upgrading skills of current employees, developing new training programs, creating new high-skill or high-wage jobs, or retraining employees for new or emerging occupations.

Funds awarded to R.E. Dye Manufacturing and Barr Fabrication totaled approximately \$37,000. According to Jimmy See Grant Page 7 Story.

and major in agriculture. To be considered for this

pose a fictional story that was original and in the writers' own words. The length of the story had to be 1,000 to 2,000 words. Chris would like to thank

Robert E. Howard Properties, Zora Mae Bryant and Terry Rogers for giving him the opportunity to write the story, and panel of judges who picked his



WELCOME TO THE HOME OF ROBERT E. HOWARD AND BUTLER funeral home, helicopter service PARK —Howard Days festivities will begin Friday, June 13th, and continue through Saturday, June 14th.

2-Day Annual Howard Festivities June 13-14

The annual two-day Robert E. Howard festivities will begin on Friday at 10:00 a.m. as Howard fans from all over the nation begin arriving in Cross Plains. The Howard Home on West Highway 36 will be open from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. on both Friday and Saturday, and panel discussions and other activities will be held under the pavilion.

Detailed schedules will be available at registration. There are no admission charges. Howard memorabilia and books will be for sale.

Project Pride would like to invite you to come and visit with old friends and make new ones. Refreshments will be served.

A special postal cancellation will be offered at the Post Office from 8:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. on Saturday. Commemorative stamps and post cards will be available for purchase. The Cross Plains Public Library will be open on Friday and Saturday afternoons for viewing of original manuscripts and books. Some items may be purchased there.

You also have the opportunity to enter the drawing for one of the new books, "Robert E. Howard's Complete Conan of Cimmeria", Volume 1 (1932-1933). It is a Limited Edition, signed and numbered by the artist, Mark Schultz. The book comes complete with gilt edging, a gorgeous slipcase cover with embossed plate, dust jacket, full color paintings and hordes of astounding illustrations. The book is number 927 are \$5.00 each and drawing for E. Howard Estates. the winner will be Saturday



HOWARD'S ROOM—Project Pride has recreated Robert E. Howard's small room where he composed great masterpieces.

evening. You do not have to be present to win. The book was graciously donated by and is priced at \$195.00. Tickets Wandering Star and The Robert

A 16 inch ceramic statue of

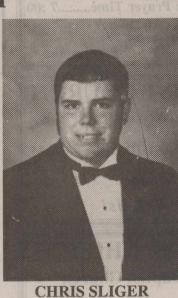
King Kull was also donated by The Robert E. Howard Estates and will remain on display in the museum part of the Howard House. You will want to make sure to view it on your tour.

Howard Literary Scholarship Awarded

Chris Sliger was recently selected to receive the 2003 Robert E. Howard Literary Scholarship of \$1,000.00. He is the son of David and Lenell Sliger and a 2003 graduate of Cross Plains High School. He plans to attend Cisco Junior College in the fall

scholarship seniors had to com-

he would also like to thank the



The following is the winning See Sliger Page 4



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Misdemeanor Filings

Bobby G. Keith, driving while intoxicated (DWI). Richard E. Drew, driving while license suspended (DWLS). Wendy M. Rose, assault.

Misdemeanor Minutes

Julio Mapula, transfer request from Callahan Co. to Nolan Co. granted.

Isaac Wright, order extending

probation granted. Michelle Bruner, motion to

revoke probation granted. Bobby G. Keith, plea of guilty to DWI, 15 days in jail, \$300

fine, \$223 court costs. Billy G. Stewart, transfer request from Taylor Co. to Parker Co. granted.

End of term order discharging defendant under deferred adjudication; Darren Brown, Rachel Bush, Anna Chaney, Terry Edwards, Patrick Featherston, Mellisa Floyd, Knycie Harbuck, Mario Lee, John Fitzgerald McDonald, Jason Robbins, Troy Jefferson Williams.

Joe Ray Brown, Jr., order revoking probation granted.

Marriage Licenses

Jason Charles Gilley of Lewisville and Misty Delayne Strickland of Cross Plains.

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

Inner-denominational-Evangelical

SUNDAY

9:30 a.m. Sunday School

10:45 a.m.. Morning Service

6:00 p.m. Evening Service

209 S.W. Hwy 36

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Civil Filings

Jackie Leigh Davis and David Dewayne Davis, divorce.

Civil Minutes

Danny English and Martha English, divorce granted. Lia Dorman Adams and Lee

E. Adams, divorce granted. Glenda Alexander Gartman and Donald Eugene Gartman, divorce granted.

The State of Texas vs. \$11,965.00 US currency, nunc pro tunc order correcting distribution of seized US currency, default judgment granted.

Criminal Minutes

William E. Sneed, order amending condition of probation granted.

Diedre K. Johnson, motion to dismiss to forgery granted, sentenced to 10 years in prison.

Clifford R. White, Jr., plea of guilty to possession of anhydrous ammonia in an unapproved container, 7 year probation, \$3000 fine, \$216 court costs.

Robert B. Cribbs, plea of guilty to theft, 4 years probation, \$1200 fine, \$261 court costs. Quanta J. Saldivar, plea of guilty to theft, 4 year probation, \$1200 fine, \$261 court costs. Kerry W. Box, order amending conditions of probation

granted. Jason Lee Monsey, order amending conditions of probation granted.

EAST HIGHWAY 36

WEDNESDAY

7:00 p.m. Christian Youth Activities

THURSDAY

7:00 p.m. Midweek Service

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Glenda Tidwell - Praise & Worship

Linda Fortune - Youth Pastor

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Restoring And Equipping The Saints

Dessa Higgins

Dessa Higgins, 88, of Cross Plains, passed away Tuesday, June 3, 2003, in the Eastland Memorial Hospital in Eastland. She had been under the care of Hospice.

Cemetery directed by Higginbotham Funeral Home of Cross Plains.

Dessa was born April 22, 1915 in Callahan County, Texas to John Foster McGee and Mollie Diantha Wingfield McGee. She married Roscoe David Higgins in Atwell, Texas on November 19, 1933. Dessa moved to Cross Plains in 1980 and was employed by Central Texas Opportunities for 17 years. She prepared and delivered the "Meals on Wheels" to Cross Plains residents. She was a member of the Cross Plains Church of Christ.

Survivors include three sons, David Higgins and Billy Higgins, both of Cross Plains, and Roscoe D. Higgins, Jr. of Sherman; six daughters, Helen Cowan, Ann McCall, Sue Higgins and Debby Whiteley, all of Cross Plains, Donna Whitten of Buchanan Dam and Frances Goates of Hebbronville; four sisters, Marie Dillard and Lois Vaughn, both of Cross Plains, Judy Alexander of La Mesa, California and Donna Turner of Clyde; 25 grandchildren, 30 great-grandchildren and 2 great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents; husband, Roscoe; two sons, Paul Ray Higgins and Johnny Joe Higgins; a sister, Rena Ishman; and a grandson, Daniel J. Cowan.

Pallbearers were Will McBee, Moses Medrano, Jr., Travis Bentsen, Rodney Rudloff, Cecil Ricketts and Mark Cowan.

Thelma Gene Setser

Thelma Gene Setser, 59, of Brownwood, passed away Saturday, June 7, 2003, in the Brownwood Regional Medical Center in Brownwood.

Funeral services were held at 2:00 p.m. Tuesday, June 10, 2003, at the Higginbotham Chapel with Dick Williams officiating. Burial was in the Burkett directed by Cemetery Higginbotham Funeral Home of Cross Plains.

Thelma was born August 26, 1943 in Abilene, Texas to Gene Donald Pierson and Thelma Josey Dobbs Pierson. She married James H. Setser. She was a

Survivors include five daughters, Barbara Wright of Palo Pinto, Jo Ann Pair of Brownwood, Samantha Hicks of Lenore City, Tennessee, Rebecca Carol Morton of St. Charles, Missouri and Melissa Huton of Lubbock; five sons, J.C. Johnson of Troy, Missouri, Howard Eugene Johnson, Jimmy Edward Johnson and Raymond Cecil Morton and Scott Setser, all of Brownwood; her mother, Thelma Josey Dobbs Pierson of Brownwood; sister, Sara John Ann Agnew of Cisco; 3 nephews and 1 niece; 41 grandchildren and 12 great-grandchil-

> **Cross Plains Review Deadlines**

Ads Noon on Tuesday Articles Noon on Monday

Homer Turner

Brownwood.

neral Home of Cross Plains.

Richardson Turner. He married Janette Lovelady in Onalaska, Texas in 1976. He was a member of Rocky Creek Baptist Church. Survivors include his wife, Janette Turner of Cross Plains; three sons, Mike Turner and wife, Denyse, of Proctor; Delbert Turner and wife, Wanda, of De Leon; and Gregg Turner and wife, Dannes, of Cross Plains; two step-children, James Winstead and Linda Beard, both of Coleman; 12 grandchildren and 10 great-grandchildren.

Pallbearers were Allen Barnett, Robert Phillips, Joe Kemp, Randy Strickland, Randy Foster and Charlie Grider.

Plains, Texas 76443.

John H. Teague, Jr.

John "Johnny" H. Teague, Jr., 90, of Brownwood, passed away Wednesday, June 4, 2003, in the C.A.R.E. Nursing Center in Brownwood.

Graveside services were held at 9:30 a.m. Saturday, June 7, 2003, minister encouragement to her with Bill Campbell officiating. audience through teaching, mu-Burial was in the Cross Cut Cemetery directed by Higginbotham several programs on "Stress Funeral Home of Cross Plains.

in Cross Cut, Texas to John H. Woman" to women's groups in Teague, Sr. and Ida Mae Wooten the West Texas area. Teague. He married Aline Newberry in Beaumont, Texas. Survivors include his wife,

Aline Newberry Teague of May; a son, John H. Teague III of Pettus; daughter, Dorothy Louise Hampton of Jonestown; stepdaughter, Jolene Cook of Lake Brownwood; to sisters, Elsie and Lena, both of California; 11 grandchildren, 21 great-grandchildren and 12 great-greatgrandchildren.

Pallbearers were Patrick Teague, Robert Teague, Justin Ray Rice, John Robert Rice, Mike Crohn, Allen Cook and Bryan Cook.

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WHEN

Homer Turner, 75, of Cross Plains, passed away Thursday, June 5, 2003, in the Brownwood Regional Medical Center in

Funeral services were held at 5:00 p.m. Sunday, June 8, 2003, Lighthouse Kids; Shining God's 2:00 p.m. Saturday, June 7, 2003, at the Higginbotham Chapel with Light. at the Higginbotham Chapel with Ronnie White officiating. Burial Charles Chesshir officiating. was in the Cross Plains Cemetery dren will be dazzled with the Burial was in the Admiral directed by Higginbotham Fu-Homer was born August 26,

1927 in Caney, Oklahoma to Ed-

ward Turner and Evelyn

The family request that in lieu of flowers memorials be made to the First Baptist Church Life Center, P.O. Box 130, Cross Plains, Texas 76443 or the Cross Plains E.M.S., P.O. Box 699, Cross

Salad Supper Saturday

June 21 All ladies of the community are

invited to a "Salad Supper" in the Family Life Center of First Baptist Church on Saturday, June 21. Supper will begin at 7:00 p.m.

Guest speaker for the evening will be Sharon (Dillard) Lewis of Midland. Her topic for the evening will be "Harmony in the Body". Sharon has the heart to sic and praise. She has presented Management", "Intimacy in the John was born August 10, 1912 Body" and "The Virtuous

Sharon teaches an Adult Ladies Sunday School Class and is a leader in Summer Children's Ministry at Alamo Heights Baptist Church in Midland. She has worked as a nurse in a psychiatric hospital for 10 years. Please join us for another delightful evening of good food, fellowship and entertainment.

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Get Ready to SHINE at FUMC Vacation Bible School June 16-20

Funeral services were held at at Vacation Bible School with

At Lighthouse Kids, the chilpower of God's light as they explore the world of lighthouses and all that light can do. Children will come to see light in a whole new way as they:

*discover how God's light shined to others

*come to know that Jesus is

God's light shining in the world *believe God's light shines in

*shine God's light to others. We want all children ages 3 through 6th grade to come join us

We will be shining for the Lord for Lighthouse Kids, stories, song, games, crafts and fun. Each evening will begin at 5:30 p.m. with a light supper. Monday we will have pizza, Tuesday hot dogs, Wednesday nachos and burritos, Thursday spaghetti and Friday sandwiches and ice cream.

Lighthouse Kids will be at the First United Methodist Church on Monday, June 16, through Friday, June 20, between the hours of 5:30 and 8:30 p.m. To register early call the church office at (254) 725-7377 or Nancy Randolph at (254) 725-4226. All children will receive a t-shirt letting everyone know they were members of the Lighthouse Kids.

Submitted by Nancy Randolph

Ladies' **CROSS PLAINS** REVIEW (USPS 138-660) DON TABOR, PUBLISHER VANDA CREECH, EDITOR **CROSS PLAINS REVIEW**

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First Baptist Church 3rd & Main Cross Plains, TX Joe Coppinger, Guest Speaker VBS July 20-24 6-9 pm 9:45 a.m. Bible Study 11:00 a.m. Worship 7:00 p.m. Evening Worship 7:00 p.m. Wednesday Prayer/Worship

Happy Father's Day

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Sunday's Sermon

"This Is My Father's World"

Sunday School......9:45 A.M. Morning Worship......11:00 A.M. Evening Service......6:00 P.M.

(254) 643-1027

Wednesday Bible Study & Prayer Time......7:00 Matt McGowen, Pastor (254) 725-4599

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Bill Armstrong - Pastor

Our Church Is A House Of Prayer

Sunday Morning Bible Study.....10:00 AM Morning Worship......11:00 AM Evening Worship......6:00 PM Wednesday Night Bible Study......7:00 PM

Cornerstone Bible Church



832 Ave. E Cross Plains, TX **DONALD DUKE - PASTOR**

".....Not A Lot!"

It appears that I'm having trouble getting this column started today. I can't seem to stop closing my eyes and daydreaming. Too bad, I just can't twitch my nose and let it happen like Samantha in "Bewitched". "Bewitched" now that's a word that bring me thoughts of watching television.

....And thinking of television, reminds me of how tired I am of watching the same movies and the same programs over and over again. It's boring, boring! Here we all are, at least a lot of are paying for cable television and

what do we get? Not a lot! And...I can vouch for that.

What I don't understand is why this cable company doesn't offer better, more selectable programing; it seems to me would generate more interest and enthusiasm among their clientele (customers). This interest should buoy their sales, increase their financial gains and generate new business. We have lived here ten (10) years and have seen no new channels added at all, and very little change in programing. A couple or so of the channels seem to trade out the same old programs, evidently switching them to the other channel. Doesn't matter Prairie", etc. All good shows, its just after ten years of them you they once lived and went to know the dialogue better than the

Having lived in other locales, and had cable; there is a lot of programs, movies, etc. available that we do not have access to, through this cable company. What is your opinion on this? Wouldn't you like to have more channels available?

Well, I guess I'll get off my soapbox now, before I implode again----or maybe explode.

Now that I've gotten that off my chest, maybe I'll do better. I'm not promising that I'll LOOK any better, but I will try to DO better. Until next time----Ciau!

PIONEER NEWS

other community reunion. It will be Saturday, June 14th. Be sure a more diversified menu. Never, and be there. You can purchase your meal there.

> Game night at the Community Center will be on June 12th. Come on out for some fun.

The quilting ladies had another great quilting day. They got Sandy's hostess quilt out. Now we are working on Laverne's "Southern Doll" top and Sandy's "String" top. This will take us to the summer vacation.

Hutton went to Norton to their nephew and niece's 50th anniversary. They left home early, ate which channel "House on the dinner at Ballinger, then drove around over the country where school. Laverne and her family lived on the south side of the Colorado River in the Brookshire school area. Cowan lived at Maverick where he went to school, Laverne transferred to the met Cowan.

> Portales, New Mexico visited from the University of Houston at with Cowan and Laverne last Fri- Clear Lake. Heather has been as-

day and they had a good time. Sarah King, ter, graduated from Eastland High School Friday night, May the Lord is the beginning of wis-30th. Charlene is very, very dom; all who follow his precepts proud of her as she finished high have good understanding. Psalm school in three years. She is the 111:10. family baby and is planning to go See you all next time! to Lubbock Christian College in

A happy event occurred in the

Burkett Community Friday, June

6, 2003. Bill Strickland and

Shirley Hunter were married. The

marriage took place in Ken and

friends helped them celebrate.

Jonelle of Lefors and their

Cemetery Association reports

recent donations received: Joan

Fisher (In Memory of Freeda

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nephew, Dustin.

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weekend.

training.

the fall. She works at Cisco Christian Camp in the summer as a junior counselor and lifeguard. She is Nancy's child. Christy's daughter, Jodi, came from Denton and they had a combination party for the graduates and Charlene's 76 birthday Saturday

Allen took Glenda Phillips to Lubbock last week to the foot doctor. She went to see Krista play softball last week at Rising Star. Logan spent the night with her on Friday night. She always May 24th Cowan and Laverne enjoys any of them staying the night with her.

Friday, Frankie traveled to Abilene with her sister, Dorthy, and son, and others for Dorthy's grandson, Josh Thompson's birthday. Saturday, Jean Fore and Frankie went to the musical in Carbon with Mr. and Mrs. Freddie Blount.

James and Jean Alexander are very proud of their granddaughter, Heather Appleton Bardwell. Maverick High School where she She received her Master's of Education degree in Educational Dudly and Pat Cash from Management. She graduated signed a position of Assistant Charlene Principal at Creek Side Middle Chesshir's youngest granddaugh- School in the Clear Creek I.S.D.

Words of Wisdom: The fear of

By LOVERA STRICKLAND

The Comptroller of Public Ac- Also, it was noted that this tax counts in Austin received the re- will expire four years after it besults of Cross Plains' May 3, 2003 election to adopt an additional 1/ 4 percent city sales and use tax for Municipal Street Maintenance as permitted under Chapter 327 of the Texas Tax Code.

Plains on October 1, 2003.

gins to levy taxes for street maintenance purposes if the city does not hold a tax reauthorization

If you have any questions or need more information, please This additional 1/4 percent local call Gerard Washington toll free sales and use tax will become at 1-800-531-5441, extension beautiful wedding. Family and Virginia Shewmaker, Mike and effective within the City of Cross 50665. The regular number is

Coleman Musical This Friday, June 13

Additional Sales Tax

Becomes Effective

October 1, 2003

401 East College, Coleman, will open its doors at 5 p.m. on Friday, June 13th. Musical entertainment will begin at 6:00

featured, so bring a dish and

The Coleman Musical, held at enjoy the fellowship, meal and good music.

> help with building expenses would be greatly appreciated.

See you there for food, fun, A "pot luck" supper will be music and fellowship!

An extra cake to raffle off to

SENIOR CITIZENS MENU

JUNE 16 - 20

MONDAY - Chicken & Ham, Spinach, Potato Wedges, Dumplins, Tossed Salad, Peas & Tapioca Pudding, Cornbread, Carrots, Cookie, Bread, Milk

Salad, Gelatin w/topping, Crackers, Milk WEDNESDAY - Pinto Beans &

TUESDAY - Enchilada Casse- THURSDAY - Lasagna, Itaian role, Spanish Rice, Mexican Veggies, Tossed Salad, Pineapple, Garlic Toast, Milk FRIDAY - BBQ Brisket, Pinto

Beans, Macaroni Salad, Cake, Bread, Milk

BREAKTHRU By Bob Pipes Cross Plains Church of Christ 433 N. Main

(254) 725-6117



Our Family "Vacation" Bible School for this summer will be Monday night, June 30 through Wednesday night, July 2, 6:30 - 8:30 p.m. each evening. There will be Bible study, crafts, singing and refreshments for ages 3 through adults each evening.

The theme of the Bible study lessons is "Let Jesus Lead: Lessons from Jesus' Parables" -

Monday night: "Forgiveness" - Parable of the Unmerciful servant (Matthew 18:21-35);

Tuesday night: "Proper Use of What We Have" - Parable of the Talents (Matthew 25:14-30); Wednesday night: "Being Humble" - Parable of the Phari-

see and the Tax Collector (Luke 18:9-14) We invite and encourage all that can and will to take advantage of these periods of time together of Bible study, fellowship and fun! Come share with us in all the times of Bible study and worship as we meet together. We really do care about you, too.

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

of Freeda Burkett) \$25; Mrs. Auttic Mae Seeton \$30; Gertie Teaffin (I/M of Gertrude Wilson) \$35; Dumas Beeler \$50; Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Williams (I/M of Jan Baker's back yard with Cory Barney Klutts) \$25; Bonnie Barr Popé (Bill's grandson) decorating \$25; Zora Lico \$10; Ora Flowers for the happy occasion. It was a \$25; Stan and Pat Thompson, Jodi Shewmaker (I/M of Edna Those visiting Lovera Gould) \$50; Earlene Ward (I/M Strickland recently were Darryl of Colie and Pearl Thate) \$50; Tinney or Lawton, OK, Dee and Hail and Rain Insurance (I/M of Staci Strickland and friends, Byron McAnally) \$50; Tuesday Dwight and Adrian of Class (I/M of Byron McAnally) Somerville, Jacob Strickland and \$100; Mr. and Mrs. Garvice Jeremy Copper, Jackie and Julie Boyle (I/M of Byron McAnally) Strickland and Jared of \$25; Roy and Lela Young \$100; Somerville, Marsha Turney, Matt Ronald and Lynda Gray \$50; Mr. and Jon of Santa Anna, and Don and Mrs. B.C. Porter \$25; Mike and Kathy Tinney, Johnathan and and Linda Brady, Russell Gould and Lucille Creek (I/M of Edna

> The Cemetery wishes to thank each and everyone who sent do-

Carla Byers, Secretary-Trea-Mangrum, Morgan and Angel Center, reports several donations were in San Antonio Friday to received for the Burkett Commuattend Daniel Strickland's gradu-Rhoads \$25; Melba Walker (I/M ation from the Air Force Training School. From San Antonio he of Freeda Burkett) \$20; Lafave Pace \$25; A.B. Harris \$10; will go to Wichita Falls for more Juanita Mills \$25; Bill Strickland \$20; Jim Porter \$25; Alfred Linda Brady, Secretary-trea-Godwin \$30; Grady Harris (I/M surer of the Burkett-Adams

The Community Board of Directors wishes to thank each one Burkett) \$30; Helen Russell (I/M for their generous donations.

Thelma Merle and Gene Amos Brady (I/M of Byron McAnally) of Midland and Paul Walker vis- \$20. ited Andrew Walker over the Bill and Addie Walker visited nations to the Burkett-Adams D.W. and Sally Nanny and family Cemetery. Eddie Strickland and Tami surer of the Burkett Community

Books Memorials:

of Lillian and Quin Harris) \$100.

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ONWOOD NEWS

By WALLACE BENNET



MADE IN TEXAS BY TEXANS—This automobile is a 1953 Ford 4-door sedan and is the prize possession of Pat Bush of Cottonwood.

Cottonwood Community Gets Rain and a Busy Summer Agenda

This author missed last week's column due to attending a church conference and a busy agenda that prevented sending a fax to the publisher. So I send apologies to those of you who mentioned that you missed it and to those readers out there who I never hear from and miss doing so.

Now, back to Cottonwood, it has been raining and most people are smiling and greeting each other a little kindlier these days. Some people are reporting as much as six inches or more.

the Quilting Club meeting on the days of 12, 17 and 26, and the Cottonwood Musical holding forth on the Friday night, June

fighters will meet at the Fire Station on June 19, at 7:00 p.m. and

Made in Texas by Texans I call your attention to the photo said that. printed elsewhere on this page.

along the country lanes of Cottonwood and stopped by for a visit. Pat informed me that the car was purchased by Fred Heyser at Rocky Ford in Baird for his mother. When she died, Mr. Heyser gave the car to Pat's aunt, Matty Riggs, who in turn gave the car to Pat and Clarence Bush.

It is in excellent condition and reminds me of a time when Texans did make Fords and each Ford bore a placard pasted to the back, window-"Made in Texas by

How many of you remember those "good old days"? Sometimes, I pine for those good old June will be a busy month with days when Texans made a lot of good things.

But now, with the merger of American industry into mega corporations there seems to be a de-humanization of the world of The Cottonwood Volunteer fire trade and business, Texans seldom seem to be proud of much they do make. Oh well, as my all volunteers are urged to attend. father used to say, "You can't stop progress." I don't know why he

(Please notify Wallace Bennett The car is a 1953 Ford 4-door (254) 725-7474 of any news or sedan and is owned by Pat Bush. personal items you wish to share. She and her son, Galen, who lives "If I don't know about it, it doesn't in Abilene, took the car for a drive get into the Cottonwood column.)

GARDEN TIPS

Every summer colorful and de- corn, squash or green beans, you licious peppers from your garden can add bold accents of chopped, can be roasted to a sweet and savory perfection.

The brilliant hues and full-bodied flavor of these New World Gould) \$30; and Mike and Linda natives have assumed a central role in many of the world's cui- and cheese. sines, and can transform an everyday meal into a flavorful feast.

To summer vegetables like

grilled, seeded and peeled mild chilies. They also add a tantalizing taste to eggs or cheese dishes and a kick to casseroles like cooked dried beans or macaroni

Spice up your life. Who knows what will happen.

LIBRARY NOTES nity Center: Allen and Tootie

June 2 -6, 2003

Statistics Circulation:

Charles and Lou Rodenberger In Memory of Robert C. Grider

Class of 1967 - In Memory of Janie Clark Woody

Donations: - books Leslie Lawrence Sandy Doss **Emily Winfrey**

PROCLAMATION ROBERT E. HOWARD DAY

WHEREAS, the City Council realizes the impact Robert E. Howard has had on the effects of tourism for our City and,

WHEREAS, we the City Council of the City of Cross Plains wish to dedicated a day to honor and recognize a man for his contribution to our community,

NOW THEREFORE, I Ray Purvis, Mayor of Cross Plains, Texas do hereby proclaim June 14, 2003, as ROBERT E. HOWARD DAY

and invite every citizen to join in the local commemoration.

In Witness thereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of Cross Plains to be affixed this the 3rd day of June, 2003.

Ray Purvis, Mayor

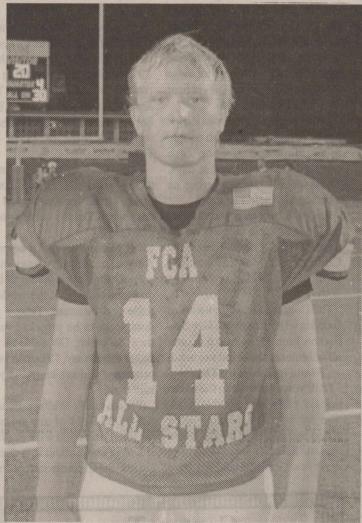
C.P. STUDENT REVIEW

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GOING AFTER IT—Cross Plains at Shotwell Stadium in Abilene. High School 2003 graduate Dusty Purvis, #14 in black, All-Star team, played defensive families. chases a runner during the Fellowship of Christian Athlete Myrle Greathouse All-Star Football Classic played Saturday, June 7

Purvis, a member of the South cornerback for the South All-Stars which defeated the North All-Stars 21-20.



ALL-STAR PLAYER-2003 Cross Plains High School graduate Dusty Purvis competed for the South All-Stars in the 2003 Fellowship of Christian Athletes Stars who defeated the North Myrle Greathouse All-Star Foot- All-Stars 21-20. ball Game played Saturday, May

7 at Shotwell Stadium in Abilene. Purvis, the son of Rickey and Delynn Purvis, played defensive cornerback for the South All-

SCHOOL BOARD

May 27, 2003

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

and guests were also in attenpal Margie Sowell

Prayer was led by Bryan Ben- Pillans was absent. nett.

and seconded by V. Dillard that tendent Jackie Tennison. we approve Student Leaver Audit CPA. For 7 Against 0

Bub McIver, Ed Brady, Jimmy 2004. For 6 Against 0

Cearly and Steve Costen. Out of executive session at 11:54 p.m. Motion was made by Bennett and seconded by Pillans that we adjourn. For 7 Against 0

June 2, 2003

The Cross Plains I.S.D. Board The following administrators of Trustees met in a called with the following members present: dance: Superintendent Jackie Vicki Dillard, Susan Schaefer, Tennison and Elementary Princi- Donnie Dillard, Bryan Bennett, Jim Cook and Monty Richards.

The following administrators Motion was made by Bennett were also in attendance: Superin-

Motion was made by Cook and presented by Cameron L. Gulley, seconded by Bennett that we offer Jimmy Cearley a one-year Executive session at 6:29 p.m. probationary 226 day contract for to interview principal candidates high school principal for 2003-

SLIGER

"Off to War"

By Chris Sliger

Jim grew up in the south and he was proud of it. He had joined the army when he was 15 years old. The year was 1861 and he was a member of Tirail's Raiders. They were not a normal army, they were rebels and proud of it. They fought day and night, they took no orders and they hated Yankees with a passion. They would start fights and finish them. They had no reason to give up and many did not have homes to go back to. They were mean, they were tough and they had a reason to fight for their life and the lives of their

Jim had shot a gun since he was four years old and was a crack shot. He used his father's gun that was sent home to the family after his father was killed by Yankees. Jim had been in Tirail's for seven months and he had killed more men than he could remember. Jim had changed. He had no close friends, other than Little Joe and Johnson, the only two men he remembered being in Tirail's from when he started.

They were still known as Tirail's Raiders but Tirail had been dead for two months. Tirail had been shot in the stomach and had lived two days, until he could not go anymore. Before he died he appointed Jon Tucker as the new leader. Tucker had joined on after Jim and he was heartless and mean and he hated and killed Yankees. Tirail knew if his Raiders were going to keep going on they needed someone like Tucker and he was a pretty good leader.

The Raiders would ride right into the Yankee's army camp shooting and screaming and then ride out back to the woods with the Yankees chasing them; while at the woods were the rest of the Raiders waiting with stolen Yankee canons. When the last Raider made it in they fired off the canons and finished off the Yankee forces. To save bullets, they would kill the survivors with their homemade knives. When they were done with the canons they would fill them up with mud and gunpowder and blow them up, because the way the Raiders moved, the canons would just slow them down.

Jim had been wounded five times. He had three toes blown off and four ribs broken, but he just kept on going. Tirail's Raiders had one heck of a reputation. Some people loved them and thanked them, while others hated them and cursed them—those people did not live long.

After battles the Raiders would split up in groups of ten to twenty and they all met up later to camp out and talk about future plans and battles. They would drink for their fallen friends and care for the wounded the best they could. The only pain killer they had was sour mash whiskey and that would not cut all the pain.

Jim got in and walked over to Little Joe's group and asked, "Well, did you swim out of that one?" Then Little Joe said, "Yeah, got nicked in the arm but it ain't no thang." Jim asked, "How's Johnson?" Little Joe answered, "I don't know they haven't got in yet, last I saw he was riding strong." They sat and ate some beans and waited. Little

Joe said, "Hope they didn't have trouble.

Right then Johnson's group rode in, well at least six of the seventeen. Johnson was in the back wounded and leaning in the saddle. Little Joe and Jim pulled him off his horse and leaned him up against a tree. He was bleeding good. He was shot twice in the stomach and once in the left lung. He was going, and going fast. Jim and Little Joe did not know what to say. They both had tears in their eyes. Johnson said, "Well boys, I guess this is the end of the road for me." Tears started running down Little Joe's face and Johnson said, "You, you sissy." And with one last breath said, "I sure as hell wouldn't cry over you boys." Then with the tilt of his head and with his eyes glazed over, they knew he was dead.

Tucker came over and said, "Mount up boys, we got to move." Little Joe said, "First we have to bury Johnson." Tucker said, "If you stay here, when those Yankees get here you're dead." Little Joe said, "Well, I'll take a few of them with me then." Tucker looked around and said, "Only seventy-eight," and then with a glance at Johnson said, "Make it seventy-seven of the two hundred and twenty men we started with." Men who were out made it back, and there over three hundred Yankee forces on their way. "I ain't much for running," said Tucker. "Me, me neither," said Little Joe. "I say we all fight and take as many of those Yanks with us as we can," he continued. "Yea, let's fight," a voice yelled from the back.

They all mounted up and helped the hurt ones mount up, too, and started riding in. With their guns in, topped the hill, and caught the no prisoners," as he shot another land north of Cottonwood. Yank in the head.

Jim shot three and then his horse stepped in a hole and went end over end. He got up and killed two more Yanks from the ground. Little Joe went over and grabbed his hand and as he pulled Jim up, a bullet hit Little Joe in the chest, but he kept on riding. "Joe, Joe, you ok?" Jim yelled. "Yeah, I think it missed all my vital stuff," said Little Joe. Jim could tell from the exit wound in his back that it didn't look good.

the blood from his mouth. "Well, Amanda and Jeremy. what do you say we give them one more round," said Little Joe. ment began at the age of 14, when turned and rode right back into school, a work of love that she the blood bath and fired as many continued until 1994. She also bullets as they had until they were took her first job in Caton's Variout. Jim felt a terrible burning in ety Store at the same age. Joining his stomach and looked down, he knew he was done for.

Right then, Little Joe's horse got shot and went down hard. Jim ran over to him and he could tell by the look in his eyes he was dead -all of Tirail's Raiders were dead. Jim looked around, he was surrounded by Yankees and he said as loud as he could, 'Damn all of you." With that they shot him and as he died he said, "I take nothing back, nothing."

Spaghetti Dinner to Benefit Library/BSP

on Friday evening of June 27. be given away. Plan to enjoy the home cooking of Preceding the Live Auction will Plains Library special fund rais- for other community activities ing auction, from 5:30 to 7:00 and scholarships. p.m. at the Cross Plains Community Center.

adult, \$3.00 for children 12 and under, may be purchased at the Library, at the Chamber of Com-BSP. (Remember, you don't have to pay extra for sales tax or tip! It's a bargain.) Take-out orders will also be available for those unable to attend the auction.

The Library Board of Directors has planned an outstanding fun and productive way to spend this particular Friday night, by raising monies for the community's library, its improvements and its services to all residents of the area. A Silent Auction will begin at 5:30 p.m. and a Live Auction will begin at 7:00 p.m. (See details separate article next week.)

Local folks don't have to cook Raffles and door prizes will also

the ladies of the Beta Sigma Phi, be time for everyone to eat the who will be repeating the menu dinner prepared by the member of from last year's spaghetti dinner, BSP. The dinner proceeds will be in cooperation with the Cross utilized by the BSP organization

Beta Sigma Phi is a national sorority and the Cross Plains Dinner tickets for \$6.00 per chapter was started in 1975. Supporting the Library's auction is only one of many activities of BSP. BSP supports Cross Plains merce, and from members of by providing college or technical school scholarships, other "scholarships" for learning or cultural pursuits, purchasing eyeglasses for children in need, by providing volunteers for community events, supporting the local food pantry, sponsoring the 7th grade Texas History trip to the Capitol in Austin, and a Bi-Annual Tour of Homes. BSP is a friendship and service organization. Wanda Merryman is the new president, succeeding past president, Regina Hart.

Submitted by Carol Bennett

Nancy's parents was Seminole Indian. Some of her grandparents were in the Trail of Tears, one of the saddest chapters of American History, and by act of Congress in 1838 the Indian Removal Act began the forced move west of some 15,000 Native Americans from their homes in Georgia, North Carolina and Tennessee. More than 4,000 Cherokees died from disease, hunger and exhaustion on the 1,000-mile march to their new home in present-day Okla-

Julene's paternal great-grandfather fought in the Civil War and on returning home was killed while fighting with a carpetbagout and bullets firing, they rode ger who was trying to steal his land. Her great-grandmother sold Yanks by surprise. The Yankee the land to the carpetbagger, pur- Project Pride. bugle boy went to sound the chased a wagon and team of Currently she is an EMT with alarm but before he could get a horses and moved her family of the Cross Plains Emergency note off he was dead, as was their seven to land in Victor, Texas. A Medical Service, a board member captain. Tucker screamed, "Take son, Julene's grandfather, came to and past President of the Cross

> Another of her maternal grandparents settled in Fort Worth and started the first Baptist Church that is today one of the largest in the area. There were also aunts and uncles who settled in the Admiral area. When Indians showed up, one aunt was said to have hidden her husband in the rain barrel and appeased the Indians by feeding them cookies.

On December 6, 1953, Julene married Leo Glenn Franke at the First Baptist Church in Cross "Let's ride out and reload," said Plains. The Frankes have 3 chil-Jim. They rode to a safe spot and dren, Rhonda Beth Look, Randall reloaded. Jim said, "You don't Glen Franke and Vivian Celeste look too good." "Na, I feel Lewis. They have 5 grandchilgreat," Little Joe said as he wiped dren, Molly, Amie, Kellie,

Julene's community involve-"You got it," Jim answered. They she started teaching Sunday the Garden Club in 1960's, she has held local, district, and state offices. During those years she served on the committee that sponsored scholarships for Texas students studying horticulture. She was Chairperson of a Symposium and of the Judges' Council. Locally she started the club coordinating wedding and anniversary receptions. She has won several state awards for the local club. Continuing today, the Cross Plains Garden Club will

were returned to Alabama. One of host the District VIII Fall meeting in November. As Chair, Julene has already begun arrangements.

She has served as a member and President of the PTO. While she was President, the PTO fed over 500 people at the first Homecoming meal. They also bought airconditioners for both high school and grade school that were later destroyed when the school

Julene served as Chairperson of Cross Plains Girl Scouts Association that started in 1970. As board member of Central Texas Girl Scout Association, she helped send many girls to Brownwood Lake Camp, sponsored overnight camping and trips to play, concerts and ice shows. She was also one of the original members of

Plains Chamber of Commerce, a board member of the Cross Plains Housing Authority, a representative of the Cross Plains City Council on the Callahan County Nutrition Project, and member of the Senior Citizens Group. The Nutrition Project serves meals to seniors in Cross Plains, Baird and

Julene continues to work with the Sidewalk Committee and was instrumental in the sidewalk facelift that evolved over the past eight years. Her involvement continues with work to obtain a grant to complete sidewalks north along Main Street to the schools and then south to the Highway 36/ Highway 206 intersection.

Franke has studied and worked in tax accounting for 22 years. She was employed by Exal McMillan several years and then started her own business, Cross Plains Business Service. Among her other talents and interest, she is a National Accredited Designer and a National Accredited Horticulturist, with Master Judge Qualifications, and an insurance agent in the health and investment fields.

The Frankes currently live west of town where they are engaged in farming and ranching. When she is not busy with her business or community projects, Julene's favorite hobbies are gardening flowers and vegetables, quilting, sewing and tending her poodle,







CJC **Announces** Dean's List

Several Cisco Junior College student's from the area are on the recently released Dean's List for the spring semester of 2003.

The Dean's List includes students earning a 3.5 or better grade point average on a 4.0 system. Students making the Dean's List

Cross Plains - Drucilla Eppard, Kandra Poole, James Ross, and April Weaver

Baird - Matthew Beschoner, Mandi Cauthen, Chad Franke, Marian Windham

Clyde - Crystal Armstrong, Jennifer Chiappone, Deborah Garvin, Eileen Johnson, and Amee Lawson

CJC **Announces** President's List

Several area Cisco Junior College students were on the recently released President's List for the spring semester of 2003.

Students making the President's List have made a straight "A" record on a 4.0 system.

Students making the President's

Cross Plains - Jessica Wall Rising Star - Robert Brumley, George Hines, Denise Hubbard and Patricia Nall

Baird - Ann Reed

Clyde - Kathleen Agnew, Nathaniel Elders, Melissa Giesecke, Vickey Hart, Kendall Hayley and Audora Huff

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Deadlines

Ads Noon on Tuesday **Articles Noon on Monday**

HOOLA HOOP CONTEST

Ranger College Southern Belles final tryout is Saturday

the Ranger College Southern compete at the ATDS Collegiate Belles will host their final tryout Competition in Denton, Texas. for the 2003/04 season. The In addition to these opportunitryout will begin at 1:00 p.m. in ties, the Southern Belles also go the Ranger College Gymnasium. on several recruiting missions. Participants will be taught a rou- This year they traveled to Houstine and then judged on their dance ability, personality, showmanship, spirit, and work ethic. many wonderful people.

The Ranger College Southern home football and basketball games, parades, community venues, and competitions. The of the tryout. Southern Belles excel in all types of dance from high kick, jazz, hip-hop, prop, tap, lyrical, etc. odist University in Dallas, Texas. Nationals in Daytona, Florida. Come on and join the fun. They want to make the trip to Daytona a yearly tradition. Hope-

On Saturday, June 14, 2003 member of the team. They also ton and El Paso visiting various school campuses and meeting

The Southern Belles are Belles is a close group that loves awarded scholarships that range to dance! They perform at all from \$1,100.00 per year to \$1,600.00 per year. Scholarships will be awarded at the end

If you feel that you would like to be a part of their organization, they urge you to attend their The Southern Belles attend the final tryout on Saturday, June National Dance Alliance Colle- 14, 2003 in the gymnasium on giate Camp at Southern Meth- the Ranger, Texas Campus. They are looking for young This year they received their first ladies who are willing to work ever bid to the NDA Collegiate and build up the organization.

If you have any questions please contact Leah Lambeth, fully, you can pack your bags director (254) 647-3234 or (254) and join them this year as a 442-4216

Local

Dean's

Student

Named to

List at Old

Dominion

NORFOLK, VA.—Stephanie

Childress-Wright, the daughter

of Dr. Scott and Jacque Childress

of Cottonwood, was named to the

Dean's List for the spring 2003

semester at Old Dominion

University. She is an English

major in the College of Arts and

To make the list, students must

be enrolled full time and have a

grade point average of 3.4 or

higher, with no grade below a C.

Cisco Junior College's Dinner Theatre will be presenting the first show of its 2003 summer season, "The History of Tom Jones", June 19-22; 26-29 at the Conrad Hilton Community Cen-

not only as the theatre's summer managing director, but also as playwright. Jones has adapted the classic novel by Henry Fielding for the performance. "I saw a production of "Tom Jones" and thought it would be fun to move it to the old west, and clean it up a bit," Jones said.

Don't miss a night of melodrama and fun! Dinner performances are \$15 and dessert matinees are \$7.50. Call CJC at (254) 442-2589 for reservations or

chased a wagon and tear

LETTER TO

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Dear Editor,

I love my hometown paper. It just gets better all the time!

My sister, Evelyn Coker, and I are looking forward to the school Homecoming events.

Thank you to all who are on the staff and good luck now and in the

May God bless each one of you!

Jeri Lincoln

Locally **Known Man** to Have **Open Heart** Surgery

Junior Ford, Jr. underwent open heart surgery Wednesday, June 11, at Hendrick Medical Center in Abilene. He is in room 3624 if you would like to call him or send him a card.

Please keep Junior in your prayers, as he is a precious

Love Fund Established for Kinlee Mathews at **Texas Heritage**

A Love Fund has been established for Kinlee Mathews, infant daughter of George and Ashlee (Hutchins) Mathews, at Texas Heritage Bank. Kinlee was born Saturday, May 31, 2003, in El Paso. She has been suffering from seizures and the cause has not yet been determined.

Contributions for medical expenses incurred would be greatly appreciated by her family. Please keep her in your prayers.

42 and Domino Tournament at **Baird Senior** Citizens Center

On Saturday, June 14th, 2003, there will be a 42 and domino tournament (and other games) at Baird Senior Citizens Center. It will start at 10:00 a.m., and there will not be a fee to enter. Donations will be ac-There will be coffee cepted. available. There will be homemade ice cream served along with fresh cakes and cookies. Come and spend a fun day with the seniors and enjoy the Trades Days in Baird.

Down Home

pastor again walked slowly to the pulpit and delivered a brief sermon with an invitation at the end. However, no one responded to the appeal. Within minutes after the service ended, the two teenagers were at the old man's

"That was a nice story," politely stated one of the boys, "but I don't think it was very realistic for a father to give up his only son's life in hopes that the other boy would become a Christian."

"Well, you've got a point there," the old man replied, glancing down at his worn Bible. A big smile broadened his narrow face, he once again looked up at the boys and said, "it sure isn't very realistic, is it? But I'm standing here today to tell you that story gave me a glimpse of what it must have been like for God to give up his son for me.

You see---- I was that father and your pastor is my son's friend."

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66th Annual PRCA Rodeo at Coleman June 19th-21st

mances only at 7:00 p.m. on pected this year! Thursday, June 19, and 8:00 p.m. on Friday, June 20, and Saturday,

The Coleman Rodeo Association owns 33 acres of land that adjoins the city limits of Coleman on the south. This land and facilities are used for the Rodeo, Livestock Show, and other related events. This is one of the finest outdoor facilities in the Southwest. It seats 6,000 people and has free parking adjoining the dust-free arena.

The Coleman Rodeo is strictly professional and always has been. This means that the Professional Rodeo Cowboy Association and the Women's Professional Rodeo Association approve it. This insures that some of the top cowboys and cowgirls in the nation will be competing in the Coleman Rodeo for some

Coleman's 66th Annual PRCA \$20,000.00 added prize money. Rodco will have nightly perfor- Over 500 contestants are ex-

The queen for the 2003 Rodeo is Becca Birdwell, daughter of Mitch and Bobbi Birdwell.

Mack Altizer's Bad Company Rodeo from Del Rio will furnish

The rodeo events this year are Bareback and Saddle Bronc Riding, Calf Roping, Steer Wrestling, Women's Barrel Race, Women's Breakaway Roping, Bull Riding, Single Steer Roping and Team Roping.

This year there will be Kids Muttin Bustin, which will start the Rodeo off at 7:30 p.m., along with the Goat Scramble, which will be later in the Rodeo.

The Rodeo Dance will be held at the Rodeo Dance Pavilion on Friday and Saturday nights starting when the Rodeo ends. Les Hartman and his band will provide the music.

SBA loan deadline approaching for disaster victims

FORT WORTH—Businesses in the following counties are elisome Texas, Oklahoma, and New Mexico counties have until June 23, 2003 to file applicathirds (2/3) of the Texas. tions for low-interest disaster ness Administration (SBA). The SBA's Economic Injury Disaster Loans are available for businesses dependent on farmers and ranchers sustaining crop losses due to drought and excurred from January 1, 2002, ranchers are not eligible for these

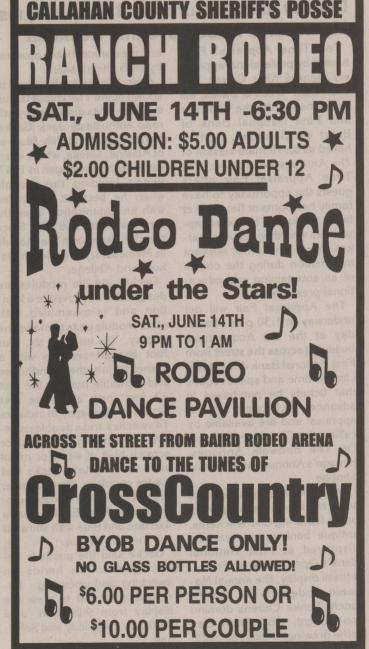
gible to apply:

All counties in the Western two-

Applications and further inforloans from the U.S. Small Busi- mation can be obtained by calling the SBA toll-free at 1-800-366-6303 or TDD 817-267-4688 for the hearing impaired.

These loans are intended to assist businesses in offsetting working capital losses which they cessive temperatures, that oc-suffered as a result of the severe weather reducing the crop inand continuing. Farmers and come of the area farmers and ranchers. Small businesses SBA loans. However, nurseries claiming to have been physithat are victims of drought di- cally injured by the disaster are sasters can apply. Businesses in not eligible.





First Show of the Season

Le Jones returns this summer,

more information.

CRAFT VENDORS

FIFTH ANNUAL BARBARIAN FESTIVAL

SNO-CONES

PRESENTED BY: BARBARIAN FESTIVAL COMMITTEE **CROSS PLAINS CHAMBER OF COMMERCE** SATURDAY, JUNE 14, 2003, 9:00AM-5:00PM **MAIN STREET - CROSS PLAINS TEXAS**

NACHOS PARADE—CARS, TRACTORS, MOTORCYCLES, FLOATS,

9:00 BICYCLES, ETC. CAR, ANTIQUE TRACTOR, MOTORCYCLE SHOW 9:30 MOTORCYCLE POKER RUN—LEAVE FROM BANK LOT 10:00 EMS MOCK ACCIDENT WITH CRITICAL AIR HELICOPTER, 10:30 CPFVD JAWS OF LIFE—RR PRODUCTION PROPERTY

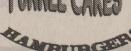
TRACTOR GAMES—BANK LOT 1:30 HOOLA HOOP CONTEST—DAY STAGE —DAL-MAR GAS 2:00 MOTORCYCLE GAMES—BANK LOT 2:30 4:00 AWARDS—DAY STAGE —DAL-MAR GAS

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Wit's End Tea Room Hosts Grand Opening and Ribbon Cutting Ceremomies Monday. Baird Chamber of Commerce officials and Shoppers were present for the big event. Pictured left to right are Susan McCool, Patricia Loyd, Janice Grant, Deputy City Marshal John Windham, Teri Stevens, Juanita Wooten, Anita Mays, Darlene King, Michelle Robbins, Jack King and Rick Oliver.

Wit's End Tea Room Hosts Grand Opening

The Wit's End Tea Room available all day. hosted their Grand Opening and Ribbon Cutting Monday, expansion to the Wit's End June 9th, 2003. Located in which opened on June eighth Baird at the Corner of East 4th 2002. They offer a wide and Pine Streets (400 Pine) they selection of antiques, are open everyday from 10:00 collectibles and one of a kind a.m. to 5:00 p.m. and serve items of interest. Owned and lunch from 11:00 a.m. until operated by Anita Mays and her 2:00 p.m.

Offering a selection of soups, salads, sandwiches, special homemade desserts and your skincare products by Eva Jon choice of hot teas, ice tea, and "Sea Silver" health food regular or raspberry, Dublin Dr. drinks. Pepper, milk and sodas. Desserts and drinks are facilities are available for private

Cisco's newly approved radio

station will host a benefit

concert at the Cisco City Park

p.m. There will also be

activities for youth including

pony rides, a dunking booth,

dart throw, ring toss (50 cents

to \$1.00). Foods such as

hamburgers, hot dogs, snow

cones, and fountain drinks will

donations for KCER Radio will

blankets for sitting on the

ground. Daniel Montes, the

board of directors, and many

volunteers welcome the public

to come and enjoy the concert

Note: Cisco has been

approved for a low power FM

radio station, KCER, which is

Communications, a non-profit

501 (c) (3) organization with

Daniel Montes as the president.

The station will have an

estimated range of thirty miles

radius. The board members

by

and activities.

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ome to bring lawn chairs or

Cisco's KCER

On June 14th, KCER, of August 1, 2003.

Benefit Concert

(near Cisco High School) with the tower and it will be going up

"Hands of Faith" and local area soon at 701 Ramsey. The

musicians featured from 5 til 10 studio and offices will be located

also be available for a small remodeling will begin as funds

be accepted. Everyone is being made to work with the

planned.

442-3474.)

station.

cost. The concert is free and become available.

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The Wit's End Tea Room is an mother Juanita Wooten the Wit's End Tea Room carries a complete line of aloe vera

The Wit's End Tea Room

They wish to report that

donations have been coming in

and that they have purchased

at 209 East 8th St. (next to

Home Town Ventures). KCER

would like to thank the

individuals and organizations

whose donations made this

progress possible. The office

space is being designed and the

For the 4th of July, plans are

Cisco Lions' Club to have

booths and several activities. A

benefit dinner is also being

welcome to help with the events

and may call Tammy Lane at

will be speaking on God's

Learning Channel, a T.V.

station in Midland. Please watch

for an announcement. Daniel

and the board wish to thank all

of the supporters of the radio

welcome and may be sent to

KCER; 701 Ramsey; Cisco,

In addition, Daniel Montes

(Volunteers are

Donations are

parties, weddings, birthdays or other special events. They have a "round room" which will be filled with inspirational books for your viewing pleasure.

They are now building a balcony with an elaborate stair case into the "garden" which would be lovely for weddings. Call them for help in planning that wedding or other special event. Anita says, "we can do some of the planning or I have contacts to do the entire affair, just give us a call and tell us what you need. We serve brunch, luncheons, dinners and special events by reservation."

will have a chance to check it out. Some other items of fun are a Hoola Hoop Contest, tractor and motorcycle games. This year we will also have a motorcycle poker run that leaves from the bank lot at 10:00 a.m.

John Kirby and The Class of 57 will be the featured band on this year's day stage. The day stage will be located at Dal-Mar Gas. Bring your chairs and come on out to enjoy some good music.

Now, for the kids of all ages there will be a Petting Zoo. Some of the animals include a lama, goats, rabbits and much more. Come see what else we will have. There will also be a Gyro-Sphere, Air Castle and Mini Train

for all the kids to enjoy. There will be craft booths lined up and down Main Street, plus enjoy shopping downtown stores. We didn't forget about food or drinks. There will be everything from sno-cones and funnel cakes to hot dogs and turkey legs. Come by and try a little of

An award ceremony will end this day of family fun. Awards for the parade, the car, tractor and motorcycle show and the Hoola Hoop contest. The award presentation will be held on the day stage at 4:00 p.m.

Come out and enjoy all the many activities that have been sponsored by some of our local businesses. There is still time for you to take part in this year's Barbarian Festival. Call Keeka Byrd or Susan McNeel for more information.

Downtown Cross Plains is the place to be this Saturday, June

Submitted by Melody McWilliams

Want To Write Your **Elected Officials?** Here are their addresses: Austin

Rick Perry, Governor, Room 200, State Capitol, Austin, TX 78711.

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Callahan County Sheriff's Posse 2003 Ranch Rodeo this Saturday

The Callahan County Sheriff's Posse 2003 Ranch Rodeo is scheduled for this Saturday, June 14th, beginning at 6:30 pm, at the Sheriff's Posse Rodeo Arena in Baird, following the Baird Trade's Day events downtown.

Ten teams are entered in the competition. The first team is "The Callahan Unwanteds" Dean Bowen, Gary Bowen, David Collins, Ricky Beasley, Mike Cannon and alternate Andy Bowen. This team is sponsored by Franklin RV Center of Clyde. Second team is "P & W Cattle Company" Jack Pruet, Marshal Green, Sonny Pate, Brazos Wilfong and Pate Wilfong. They are sponsored by the First National Bank of Baird. Third team is "Broken 2" Mel Matthews, Roger Campbell, Andy Porter, Jake Saunders and Sam Sieder. They are sponsored by the Parker Funeral home of Baird. Fourth team is the "Parachuting Cattle Company" Casey Walton, Cody Walton, Kim Walton, Tyson Broadfoot and Justin Powers! This team is sponsored by Callahan County Veterinary Clinic between Clyde & Baird. Fifth team is the "5-D" Damon Albus, Josh Allen, Terry Monroe, Dee Bland and Wes Ashlock. This team is sponsored by Clyde Farm & Ranch Supply, Jimmy & Debbie Harmon. Sixth team is "Gerngross & Company" Jody Gerngross, Jason Gerngross, Bay Kirkum, Lanahan Horne and Barry Holman. This team is sponsored by Hanner Chevrolet, Pontiac, GMC, of Baird. Seventh Team is "Double X Ranch" Paul Holton, Buck Campbell, Corey

Caurruth, Ronald Majors and Brad Faircloth. This Team is sponsored by Thrifty's Food Mart & DQ of Clyde. Eighth team is "Palmer's Crew" Michael Palmer, Randy Ross, Ronnie Welch, Duane Farr and Charlie Palmer. This team is sponsored by Peoples State Bank of Clyde. Ninth team is Brad Johnson, Will Martin, Shawn Askew, Brian McBride and Johnny Gann. This team is sponsored by Metal Mart of Clyde. The tenth and final team is "Spur Cattle Company" Kyle Clement, Dunn Clement, Roan Clement, Chick Wilfong and Cody Edwards. This team is sponsored by Cedar Furniture and More, Bill & Rhonda Knox of Coleman, Texas.

The winning team will receive a \$500 cash prize along with Trophy Belt Buckles. Buckles furnished by Butch Nelson Farm, Ranch, Rural and Recreational Properties of Abilene and Luskey/Ryon's Western Store of Abilene.

This year there are five event sponsors and prizes will be given for the top team in each event. Event sponsors are: JL Cattle Company-Wagon, Johnny & Leonna Adkins. The Wit's End of Baird, Juanita Wooten and Anita Mays. Big Country Dodge of Clyde. Tally's Convenience Store, Tally and Deanna Windham. and Edward Jones Investment,

"Bulldog Steel of Clyde will be sponsoring the three children's events. The goat ribbon race and the two boot races.

The Callahan County Co-op is furnishing panels for the team penning. NF Cattle Company has

furnished equipment which has been used on the arena grounds.

Burleson Welding has spent many hours on the rodeo bleachers.

Rodeo officials want to emphasize "NO Alcoholic Beverages allowed inside the rodeo arena grounds". BYOB Rodeo Dance only.

The events in the Ranch Rodeo are chores Cowboys do on a working cattle ranch.

Fifty cowboys, working in ten, five men teams will perform: Team Penning, Branding, Team Mugging, Team Roping and a new one this year...the yearling tagging or rather untagging, instead of milking a cow the cowboys will have to rope the yearling and pull a tag from it's belly! The cowboy must then run with at least half of the tag back to the judges circle to receive a time. There are three children's events (no entry fee, for these events, they are just fun)! The goat ribbon race for ages 10-12 years and two boot races, 5 and under and 6 to 9 years.

Adult rodeo tickets are five dollars, children under 12 can enter for two dollars.

Immediately following the Ranch Rodeo there will be a Rodeo Dance across the street from the arena at the Rodeo Dance Pavillion.

BYOB Rodeo Dance only, no glass bottles allowed.

"CrossCountry" of Clyde will be playing for your listening and dancing enjoyment, Tickets for the Dance will be \$6.00 per person or \$10.00 per

COME JOIN THE FUN!

Happy Birthday

HSU Boys Basketball **Camp Slated** for June 29-

The Athletes Against Drugs Boy's Basketball Camp for boys entering grade 6-12 will be held Sunday, June 29 through Wednesday, July 2.

The camp is under the direction of Hardin-Simmons University Head Men's Basketball Coach Dylan Howard.

The cost of the camp is \$225 for overnight guests and \$150 for commuter students. There is a \$75 deposit required.

For more information about Gail Joyce Woody the basketball camp contact Tim Ryerson, Assistant Men's Basketball Coach at HSU at 325-670-1367.

JUNE 14 David Reed Eddie Burkett ON IBILBYIANA Clay Kinnard Jonathan Cobb Carla Strength J.H. Balkum Lydia Albrecht Williams Linda Michelle Little Nikki Wilson Sarah Nixon

JUNE 15 Nancy Jane Stovall James Robinson Scott Edington Janice Balkwin Carol Ann Simpson Ray Jackson **Guy Evans** Ronnie Walton Randy Strickland

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JUNE 16 Mary (Duncan) St. Peter R.T. Watson Mrs. Buster Richardson **Howard Edington** Thelbert Foster David Strahan Linda Cade Bartlett Kellie (Rogers) Lanham

JUNE 17 Terry Baum Rogers Sissy Barr Weise Holli G. Boyle Bryan Bull Andy Rutledge

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JUNE 20 Frankie Smith Dena (Cox) Bordelon Coy Mathis Wanema Aiken Cassie Childers Walker Ashlyn Candace Hilburn

Homecoming **Invitations** Need to be Picked Up

The Cross Plains High School Homecoming Ex-Student Association urges each class representative to pick up their invitations for the upcoming Homecoming from Doris Goble, at their earliest convenience. You may contact Doris at (254) 725-

The 2003 Homecoming invitations must be mailed by July

2003 Homecoming is slated for September 13th, so make plans to

If you have old photos you would like featured in the Cross Plains Review prior to the event, please mail them to:

Cross Plains Review P.O. Box 519 Cross Plains, Tx. 76443.

If you would like to write an article about former school days, please feel free to do so, and mail to the above address.

It is time to get FIRED UP for Homecoming 2003!!!!





have set an "on air" target date Texas. Appraisal Fair and Model Railroad Display to be featured at Baird Antiques Market and Trade Days this weekend

Tea Time Appraisal Fair, hosted by professional appraisers Donald King Cowan and C.L. "Sam" Webb of Dallas, will be sponsored by the Chamber and First National Bank of Baird on Saturday. Often hailed as an intimate version of The Antiques Road Show, Tea Time Appraisal Fair offers guests the opportunity to have family heirlooms or flea market finds, evaluated by expert appraisers who then provide market values and other relevant information during the course of an entertaining and educa-

tional presentation. The Appraisal Fair will get underway at 1:30 p.m.. Saturday at the old Acquisitions building (across the street from First National Bank drive-thru). Limited time and space require that tickets be purchased in advance. Tickets are \$20 per appraisal and are available by calling the Chamber office, or On The Birdwalk Antiques, Henson's Antiques and The Old Shoppe.

Other special events include a scale model railroad display, a booth featuring Civil War items, antique banking memorabilia displayed at First National Bank's Open House on Friday, a fossil display, the annual Masonic Lodge BVFD benefit lunch, Senior Citizens domino tournament, KBB Earth Day raffle drawing, a giant air slide.

and the dunkin' booth operated

by BHS cheerleaders. shown at the T&P Depot featuring three units displayed by railroad enthusiasts Jack Gacke, Ken England and Billy Blue, all of Abilene. Gacke, whose interest in the hobby began in 1947, began building the module when he became associated with an organization in northwest lowa in the mid-80s. Since then he has shown the module in Minnesota, Iowa, South Da-

Gacke said the modules are designed to be moved to a location and re-assembled with other module units to make one display. His unit has six, four foot straight sections with a corner to join the roundhouse and turntable making the unit 32 feet long and nine feet across in a L shape. In includes 14 switches and a double crossover. The rolling stock is kit or scratch built of wood or metal with metal sprung trucks and Kadee couplers. Ramps under the ties constitute remote automatic coupling. England has a 4x8 unit and Blue with show his HO modular layout.

A module scale railroad will be

kota and Abilene.

Gacke said the public is encouraged to do hands on switching and operating. Everyone is invited to view the display from 9:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m. on Friday and SaturBy LEO GRIN

"Cross Plains, REHupa and Me"

By Bill Cavalier

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Folks, I have been Official Editor of the Robert E. Howard United Press Association for most of the last fifteen years, and aduring that time I have seen Howard Days, Project Pride and REHupa all grow by leaps and bounds. Howard's hometown has made a wonderful commitment to insure that the legacy of Robert E. Howard will be perpetuated, and I'm proud that REHupa has played a part in helping Cross Plains with that elegacy.

I originally came to Howard enearly forty years ago (!) through the first Conan paperback printed by Lancer Books, the one that kicked off the famous "Howard Boom": Conan the Adventurer. That book had a cover by the amazing artist Frank Frazetta, a now-famous painting of Conan stowering over a battlefield with a Edamsel kneeling at his feet. Brutal, adventurous, mystical: for myself and millions of others, that Frazetta cover has represented the essence of Howard's Conan ever since.

After my first taste of Robert E. Howard, I was hooked. Over the years I read all the Howard I could find: mainstream paperbacks, a few hardbacks, the Howard biographical books The Last Celt and Dark Valley Destiny, even the Conan comic books from Marvel drawn by the talented Barry Windsor Smith. But it was only in 1985, after picking up Don Herron's book of Howard literary criticism The Dark Barbarian, that I first became aware of a mysterious Howard organization known as REHupa—the Robert E. Howard United Press Association.

Intrigued, I contacted REHupa's Official Editor at that time, Rusty Burke. He explained to me that REHupa was an amateur press association. Amateur press associations are small groups dedicated to a particular subject. They are kind of like fan clubs, but with one big difference: each member is required to self-publish a small "zine" every few months that in some way discusses the focus of the association. You can send in essays, art, research, whatever...as long as it relates to the subject. All of these contributions are distributed to the group in thick stapled magazines called mailings. This setup ensures that an apa's members regularly receive hundreds of pages of rare and interesting information about a subject, all written by people who are as interested in it as they are.

The whole REHupa thing sounded like a pretty neat fan hobby to indulge myself in, so I

1985), which featured a trip among others, Mr. Jack Scott. report written by Rusty Burke and Vern Clark called "Gents on the Rampage". This was a ing Howard the Man truly began fascinating photo-journalistic with my first trip to Cross account of a trip they made to Plains. I learned a lot of Cross Plains, Texas earlier in the fascinating details about year. The article was filled with Howard's life from Rusty, Vern commentary and photos of two Clark and Glenn Lord, as well guys checking out the places as from talking with various where REH lived and worked— townspeople. As my knowledge and they did it totally off the cuff. of the place grew, I began to ap-

stuff already!

such a trip, Rusty spent the next preparations and tirelessly and still am, amazed by this. drumming up support for his idea in REHupa. A group of ladies in Cross Plains (lead by Billie Ruth Loving and Joan McCowen of the Cross Plains Library) helped Rusty to ensure that the group would be received as friends and would have some interesting things to do. This was a watershed moment. For the first time, folks in Cross Plains were working with Howard's admirers to ensure that he would not be forgotten in his own hometown. All of these efforts eventually paid off. In June of 1986, ten Howard fans came to Cross Plains from all over the world for what was later to be seen as the very first Howard Days. REHupans Rusty Burke, Vern Clark, Mark Kimes, Nancy Collins, Bill Fulwiler and myself all showed up, and REHupan Graeme Flanagan was quite a hit with the people of Cross Plains having come all the way from Australia! Not to mention Howard fans (and future REHupans) Tom Kovacs and Plains has paid off. Howard is Steve Ghilardi, who made the trip being published as steadily as from Switzerland! And to top it all off, the final attendee was none other than the world's #1 Howard Fan himself, Glenn

Throughout this first Howard Days the wonderful hospitality of the people of Cross Plains shone through like a Texas star. We arrived at the Library (festooned with "Welcome Robert Howard fans" signs) and viewed original Howard manuscripts provided by Alla Ray Morris. We walked the dusty streets where Howard himself had trodden. We even got to tour the outside of the (then stilloccupied) Howard House, which was a special event for this Howard fan. I stood outside the

signed up, sent in my first could hear the clatter of his type-"zine"—and was immediately writer. Later, we were treated to a immersed in an educational wonderful barbecue brisket in our experience. The first mailing I honor at the home of Charles and received was #78 (November, Lou Rodenberger, where we met,

It was a great weekend.

My personal education regard-Wow...I was liking this REHupa preciate the true measure of Howard's talent. Howard the Meanwhile, this trip had caused Writer had written his marvelous the seeds of an idea to germinate stories in the absolute middle of in Rusty's head: perhaps Howard nowhere, starved of the company fans could and should gather in of other writers and intellectuals, Cross Plains, Texas every year. and having no access to library Excited by the possibilities of research. Without any of the advantages of big-city life, he year planning it, contacting had created his memorable tales Cross Plains to make various out of the dry Texas dust. I was,

The first Howard Days had been inspirational not only for us out-of-towners, but also for the citizens of Cross Plains. Until our first meeting in 1986, Cross Plains had not realized that there might be something of note in having a world famous author as a hometown attraction. Soon after, some civic-minded citizens started up Project Pride, an organization dedicated to increasing community awareness and appreciation. It was Project Pride that raised the funds to purchase the dilapidated Howard House, fix it up to look like it did in the thirties, and turn it into an historic museum. This was done to attract people from all over the world, people interested to see where Cross Plains' hometown legend had lived and where he had created his world-famous literary character, Conan.

Now, in 2003, everyone can see how well the partnership between REHupa and the people of Cross ever, REHupa's membership and quality is at an all-time high, and people are coming to Cross Plains this year from as far away as France. All of this because of that first small trip made by ten Howard fans seventeen years

Of those original ten attendees, only Glenn Lord, Rusty Burke and myself are still active in Robert E. Howard fandom. Like Howard's work, we have weathered the test of time. I'm darn proud of being a Howard fan, of being the Official Editor of REHupa, and of having so many

great friends in Cross Plains. I believe that if I have any kind of legacy in Howard fandom aside from my contributions to REHupa, it would be that I was one of those ten REHupans who showed up in Cross Plains on that hot, fateful June weekend in 1986. I have been to Cross Plains many times since, and now in 2003 I'm coming back again. My beautiful bride, Cheryl, and I intend to once again greet old friends, enjoy that hot Texas sun, and get in some quality yakkin' with our fellow Howard fans.

But most of all, we intend to tip our hats and give a few cheers to that great writer of the post oak country, Robert E. Howard, and to the wonderful little town that he called home.

Bill "Indy" Cavalier is a longtime Howard fan from Indiana. He is the Official Editor of the Robert E. Howard United Press Association, a position he has held for many years. In his dayjob he is an artist and graphic designer; in fact it is his artwork that has graced the official Howard Days postal cancellation planned for 2003 Howard

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Tour of the Peanut Country Bike Ride June 14th

The fifth annual Tour of the Peanut Country Bike Ride will be Saturday, June 14. The ride, sponsored by the Gorman Lions Club and Gorman Volunteer Fire Dept., will start from the City Park promptly at 8 a.m. with no starters any later than 9 a.m. There are four distances to choose from: 9 miles, 29 miles, 45 miles or 100K. These courses will all have several rest stops with water, Gatorade, fruit, cookies and peanuts to replenish the riders. There will also be Sag Wagons available should anyone have any mechanical trouble or need medical assis-

Anyone interested in registering may do so by phone at 254-734-3810. registration will open on tour day at 6:30 a.m., at the Start/ Finish at City Park. Entry fees are as follows: \$22 for individuals, tandems--\$20, Families of 4 or more--\$20, Clubs (4 or more members)--\$20. Each rider receives a Tour of the Peanut Country t-shirt and a goodie bag. For more information call 254-734-3810 or 734-3637. All proceeds from this ride benefit the Gorman VFD and the Gorman Lions Club for local projects and scholarships.

Parent Conference to Address Childhood Cancer

In 2003, approximately 931 children and adolescents under the age of 20 in Texas will be diagnosed with one of the forms of childhood cancer. Nearly seventyfive percent will be cured and become long-term survivors. These children along with their families and loved ones, face many unique medical, educational, social and economic issues starting from the point of diagnosis and treatment and continue through their lives.

The American cancer Society's 18th Annual Parent Teaching Conference for families of children with cancer will be held Saturday and Sunday, August 2-3, at the Omni Hotel in Austin. Parents, survivors and medical professionals will come together to provide valuable information and support to those whose lives are affected by childhood cancer. This weekend conference will provide educational programs and workshops on such topics as medical advances in childhood cancer, long-term survivorship, family issues and bereavement. A special luminaria ceremony and a cancer survivor's panel are also scheduled. All general sessions and select breakouts will be presented or interpreted in Spanish. An exhibit area will provide resources from treatment centers, parent organizations and specialty

The nominal conference registration fee of \$70 per parent covers lunch, hotel, lodging, reception, breakfast and all conference materials. The fee is \$55 per parent for those who do not need overnight accommodations. This conference has something to offer all parents of a child with cancer, whether their child is on treatment, off-treatment, or if they are bereaved parents. Registration forms are available from your local treatment center or by calling Donna Hargrove, American Cancer Society at 512-919-1850.

The American Cancer Society is the nationwide, communitybased, 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.

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turing, "This grant will allow us am pleased to be part of this excit-ISD 9000 is quickly becoming the highest standard for quality systems worldwide. This registration has become essential for marketing and exporting to major businesses and suppliers. We feel very fortunate to receive this assistance from the Workforce Board."

Primary applicants for grant funding through the Workforce Investment Fund include small and medium-size businesses, chambers of commerce, economic development entities or labor organizations. Grants of up to \$50,000 are awarded quarterly through a competitive application process, and the deadline for the next grant cycle is June 30, 2003. Nolan County Judge Tim Fambrough, chair of the 11-

Dye, President of Dye Manufac- member review panel, states, "I to complete our training program ing new opportunity to provide for ISD 9001:2000 registration. assistance to small businesses in our region, and R.E. Dye Manufacturing and Barr Fabrication are to be commended for their efforts to insure a skilled workforce in their respective communities.

Interested individuals may download funding criteria and application forms from the West Central Texas Workforce Center website at http:// www.workforcesystem.org/ business.htm.

Questions regarding the Workforce Investment Fund may be directed to Robert Puls, Business Services Coordinator, at (325) 795-4330 or to Nancy Smith, Community Relations Coordinator, at (325) 795-4306. E-mail requests should be sent to workforce@workforcesystem.org.

Little George Haven's Cowboy Camp Meeting

The Little George Havens' meat, the sourdough biscuits, Cowboy Camp Meeting is a family oriented camp in the western tradition that will be held in Santa Anna on Highway 84, between Coleman and Santa Anna.

Come hear the cowboy music and preaching June 20 through June 29 at 8 p.m. nightly. The Hispanic Camp will be held July 2-6.

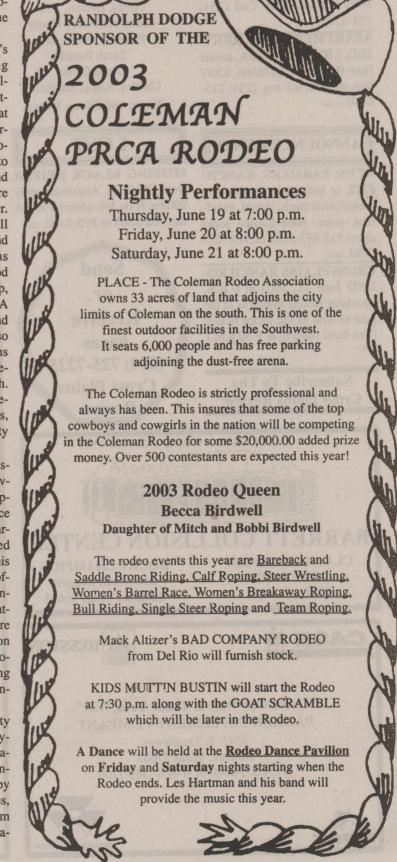
A host of evangelistic singers and preachers will be featured, including Joe Paul Nichols, songwriter, singer, musician and disc jockey from Jacksboro.

On both Saturday mornings at 8 a.m. there will be camp-wide chuck wagon breakfast for campers. Then every evening at 6 p.m. the big chuck wagon and potluck suppers. The camp furnishes the

iced tea and creek bank coffee. The area folks and campers contribute the vegetables, salads and desserts. It is always a great time of fellowship.

Come with what you have for camping, be it a R.V., tent or camper, bedroll, or sleep as our forefathers of old did, under the open sky. There are a few cabins, some covered wagons, a men's tent dormitory, perhaps even a tent Comanche-style teepee and a make-do women's dormitory. There are water hookups and electricity. You bring your own sheets, towels and light blankets. Call (325) 348-3686 (camp phone) or (214) 942-9874 (Lucy's phone in Dallas) for further details.





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We really do Tank everyone for their help and especially the EMS for their fast service and for saving my life.

We can't name everyone because there are too many to name but we thank each and everyone of you very, very much for all the help. Thanks again.

Maurine and Gloria Strahan **CARD OF THANKS**

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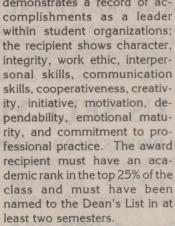
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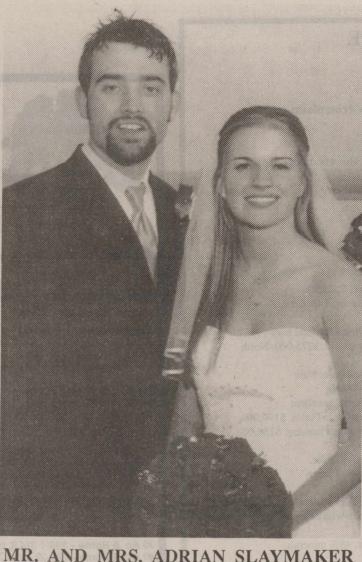
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AUSTIN-Rachel Renee Whaley and Adrian Leon Slaymaker were married May 24, 2003, at the La Villa Vista Resort on Lake Travis with the Rev. Bud Stephens officiating.

The bride is the granddaughter of Dean and Irene Tittel of Odessa. She is a 1997 graduate of Odessa High School and a 2001 graduate of Angelo State University with a bachelor's degree in psychology. She is employed by Travis County Community Supervision and Corrections Department as a pre-sentence investigator and is attending the graduate school of social work at the University of

The groom is the son of Linda Slaymaker of Cross Plains and Bill Slaymaker of Brownwood. He is a 1995 graduate of Brownwood High School and a 2000 graduate of Tarleton State University with a bachelor's degree in criminal justice. He is employed by Travis County Community Supervision and Corrections Department as a probation officer.

Honor attendants were: Lyndsey Cox, Amy Morgan, Stormy Koenig, Jennifer Weems, Chris Rios, Jeff Parker, Chris Potter and Brian Gage.

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