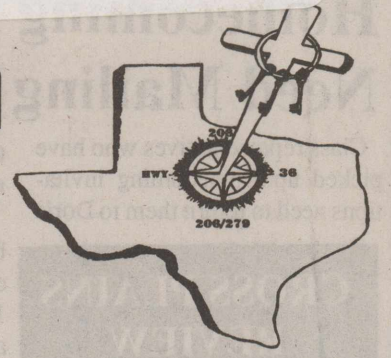


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Barbarian Festival BIGGER and BETTER than Ever



MOST ORIGINAL WORKING TRACTOR (1Row)—Bobby Jack McCowen, Cross Plains.

The 5th Annual Barbarian Festival was a HUGE success! The day started with the parade featuring cars, tractors, bicycles, and motorcycles. The Red Hat Society was an added featured.

A trip down memory lane was provided by the band "John Kirby and The Class of '57" who performed Buddy Holly and Chuck Berry songs, just to name a few classics. "Swing Shift" added a country music flair, along with the Texas Tornado Dancers.

A Mock Accident was viewed by a large crowd. The Cross Plains Emergency Medical Service, Volunteer Fire Department, Higginbotham's Funeral Home, Callahan County Sheriff's Department, City Chief of Police and Justice of the Peace provided a very realistic view of what takes place at the scene of an accident.

With over 30 booths, shoppers had a variety to choose from including food, crafts, toys, jewelry, books and much more.

The day ended with awards

given to the classic cars, antique tractors, motorcycles and Hoola Hoopers. The winners are as follows:

Parade Winners

Car

1st Place- Clarence and Nelda Evelt, Comanche

2nd Place - Wayne White, Rising Star

3rd Place - Dale Lorange, Carbon

Tractor

1st Place - Frank McDaniel, Sidney

2nd Place- Clint Kniffen, Clyde

3rd Place- Stacy Jobe, Moran

Most Unique Parade Entry

G.W. Ashwander, Goldsboro

Bicycles- 10 and Over

Super Bikes, Comanche

Bicycles- 10 and under

1st Place - J.C. McDonald

2nd Place- Justin Simons, Cross Plains

3rd Place- Misty Simons, Cross Plains

Best Float

El Toro/ Red Hat Society

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Cross Plains Cemetery Meeting

The Cross Plains Cemetery Association will meet Wednesday, June 25, at 3:00 p.m. at the City Hall.

All interested people are

cordially invited to attend the session. The upkeep and progress of the local cemetery is of utmost importance and your input is needed.

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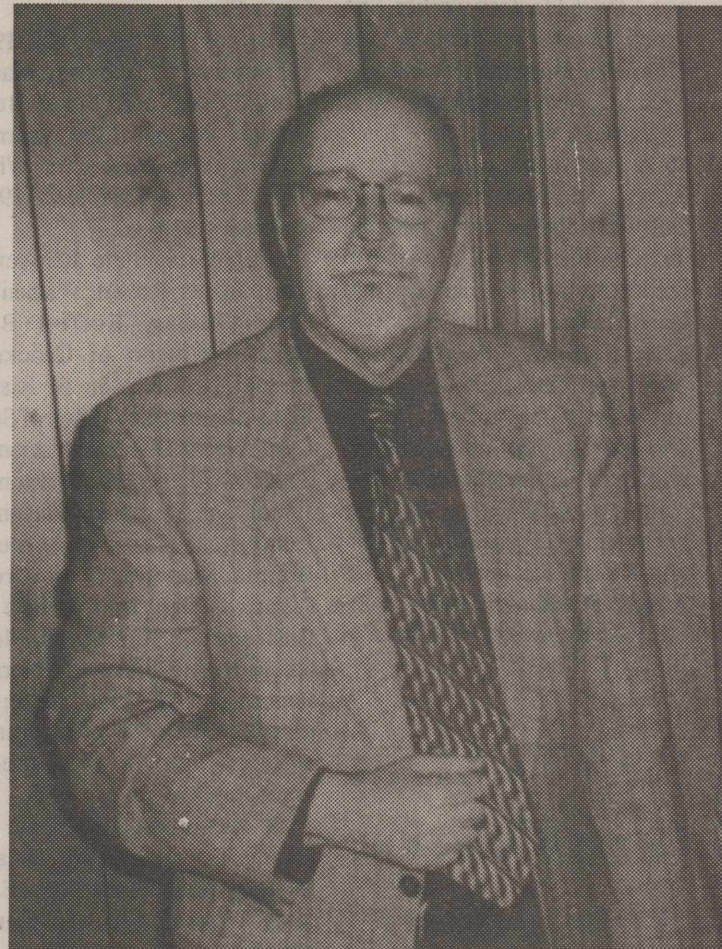
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Love Fund Established for Kinlee Mathews

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.



GUEST SPEAKER FOR HOWARD BANQUET—Don Herron, literary critic from San Francisco.

Howard Banquet Featured Literary Critic Don Herron

By Charles A. Rodenberger

More than 100 Robert E. Howard fans ignored the rain clouds Friday the 13th to attend the annual Robert E. Howard Day Dinner sponsored by Project Pride. The foremost Robert E. Howard literary critic, Don Herron from San Francisco, kept the audience enthralled with "30 Years as a Robert E. Howard Critic (in 20 minutes or less)".

He told how he had joined the Robert E. Howard United Press Association (REHUPA), left when they were not writing about Howard, and formed his own organization of Howard literary critics who then joined forces with REHUPA to make a stronger literary organization.

He recapped his literary battle with Sprague DeCamp who wrote books about Conan which fans judged were not up to REH quality. With humor, Herron told

of once questioning DeCamp's story of Conan not being able to outrun a giant slug. But Conan outlasted the slug by wearing him down. Herron argued that it didn't make a lot of sense. DeCamp answered the criticism with the argument that Conan had a head start.

Herron complimented Project Pride on the excellent restoration of the REH house in Cross Plains. Herron is a San Francisco expert on authors, leading a tour of SF of the writer, Dashiell Hammett. He has written a book on the homes of authors such as Jack London in San Francisco. He has visited Hemingway's home in Florida and the Bronte sisters' home in England and will put the Robert Howard house up with the best.

Herron is known for his critical study of Howard's work in THE DARK BARBARIAN, which was published with great diffi-

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Highway 206 Baptist Mission Revival June 25-28

Highway 206 Baptist Mission will be holding their Revival beginning Wednesday, June 25, through Saturday, June 28th. Services will begin at 7:00 p.m. every evening except Saturday, when they commence at 6:00 p.m.

Brother Bob Harrison of Breckenridge will be the revival evangelist.

Special music will be provided nightly. Glory Bound Gospel Group of Abilene will be performing at 6:00 p.m. Saturday. A meal will be provided following each service.

Pastor Edward Walters, Sr. invites everyone to attend. Highway 206 Baptist Mission is located on North Main Street and Highway 206. You are sure to receive a blessing during these special worship services.

Cottonwood Musical is This Friday Evening, June 20th

The Cottonwood Musical will be held on Friday, June 20, at the Cottonwood Community Center in Cottonwood, Texas.

This is a great opportunity to come out and enjoy some real country music, good food, see old friends and make new ones.

The Cottonwood Quilting Club will be serving a variety of salads, sandwiches, pies and drinks for a nominal charge. Food will be served beginning at 5:30 p.m.

The musical is free of charge and begins at 6:00 p.m.

Mary Weaver is the emcee for the musical, so don't miss this fun time!

Cross Plains Ranch Rodeo Weekend

The Cross Plains Ranch Rodeo is set for this Saturday, June 21. The rodeo will start at 6:00 p.m. with the Grand Entry and team introductions. Mr. Robert Winters of Cowboy Up With God's Word will give the invocation.

Christian Circuit Barrel Racing will be featured Friday, June 20, beginning at 7:00 p.m. There will be exhibition runs prior to the competition. Open 4D Barrel Racing will require an entry fee of \$25, while the Junior Class (12 and under) and Senior Class (45 and over) will require a \$15 entry fee. For further information call (325) 862-6149 or (325) 660-1317.

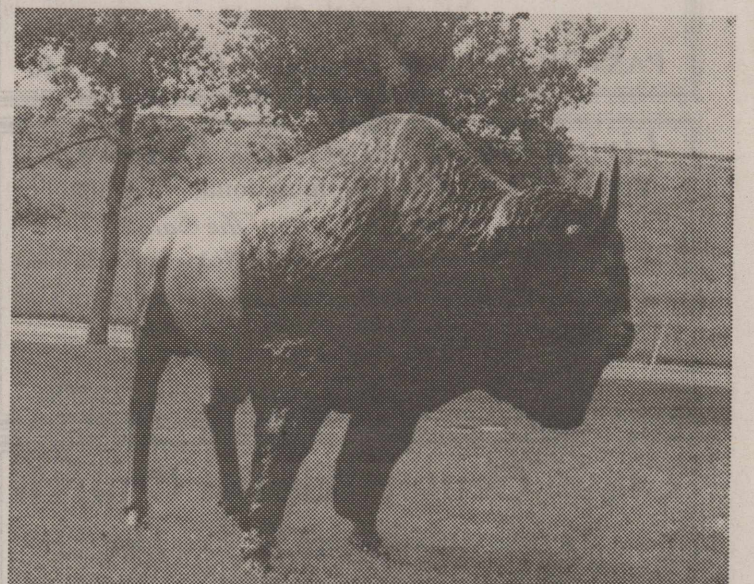
The barrel racing is sponsored by Cowboy Up With God's Word Cowboy Church of Abilene. There will also be a brief worship service at 7:30 p.m.

The following teams will compete in Team Mugging, Team Branding, Team Penning and Wild Cow Milking: #1 Circle S Ranch - Ryan Lee, Scott Bader, Shawn Bader, Clint Conden and Lee Conden; #2 RH Land and Cattle, LLC- Tom Davis, Waylan Davis, Chuck Frasier, Matt Frasier and Reece Clark; #3 Silverbrook Ranch- Elvan Goode, Josh King, Ben Lee, Cameron Nelms and Tom Merryman; #4 Poor Boy Land & Cattle Co.- Marcy Grun, Dusty Grun, Matt Rutland, Tyson Broadfoot and Cody Lawrence; #5 The Stover Ranch- Regin Stover, Toye Yeary, Brandon

Stover, Dustin Hinyard and Buck Hyles; #6 UF Ranch- John Fred McWilliams, Jason Fleming, Scott Mackey, and Allen Fleming; #7 5D Ranch- Damon Albus, Terry Monroe, Josh Allen, Jody Gerngross and Wes Ashlock; #8 Rafter 6 Ranch- Danny Manley, Scott Manley, Rickey Cowley, Dale Eddins and John Barbee; #9 Goldsmith Ranch- Steve Goldsmith, Scotty Goldsmith, Chase Goldsmith, Bubba Wilson and James Hopkins; #10 Nabors Ranch- Danny Massengil, Colby Mooreland, Rob Wall, Lonnie Johnson and Chad Milius; #11 Johnson Ranch- Amon Ous, Jim Johnson, Shannon Stephens, George Self and Rick Ward; #12 Roda Ranch- Kevin Roda, Kirk Roda, Kenneth Gunter, Mike Seaton and Jake Bradshaw; #13 Cowboy Up With God's Word Church- Robert Winters, Johnny Stewart, Sam Stone, Bob Jones and Keith New; #14 Pyburn Ranch- Terry French, George Watkins, Kent Parrish, Red Pyburn and Casey Pack.

The Red Wagon Race and the Wild Steer Sadding will be held as well. These two events are open to anyone and you can enter that evening. Points for these events will not count towards the Ranch Rodeo.

The Dance will start at 9:00 p.m. with "The Tim Bosley Band" performing. A concession stand will be available with great food and refreshments for a complete night of entertainment.



SAMPLE OF BUFFALO STATUE—The buffalo will stand in front of the Cross Plains High School.

Help CPHS Exes Purchase Buffalo

Attention Cross Plains High School Ex-Students! Over the years you have heard numerous people talking about purchasing a large Buffalo figure for the front of our school. How would you like to have a large-as-life Buffalo that is 5' X 9' and weighs approximately 600 pounds in front of the high school and have it proudly greeting all the visitors by 2003 Homecoming time????

Made of cast aluminum, this impressive statue will be extremely durable. Aluminum, of course, never rusts and Midland artists, Tony White and Toby Engle, have assured us that it will withstand all types of weather. Mounting foot plates will make the installation easy and sturdy.

Approval has been given by the school board and Superintendent Jackie Tennison for its placement to be in the south front portion of the high school. The existing

flower bed is to be filled in and the Buffalo will be placed on a raised platform in this spot. And guess what else? On the north portion, plans are underway to construct a sign using brick from the "old high school".

The cost of this beautiful Buffalo is \$1,500 which includes delivery and installation! An account has been set up at Texas Heritage Bank, P.O. Box 699, Cross Plains, Tx. 76443. Please make your check to the "Cross Plains Ex-Student Buffalo Fund" — Account #19-010-1. This exciting project is headed by two exes, Bonnie Fortune White of Rising Star (Class of 1960) and Judy Fortune Porter of Cross Plains (Class of 1966).

Don't delay! The sooner funds are secured, the sooner we'll see this proud statue gracing our

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Homecoming Invitations Need Mailing NOW!!!!!!

Class representatives who have picked up Homecoming invitations need to return them to Doris

Goble addressed so they can be mailed.

Remember the invitations must be mailed by July 1st. The big event is planned for September 13, 2003, so make plans NOW to attend.

If you have old photos of school days, please send them to the *Cross Plains Review*, P.O. Box 519, Cross Plains.

Anyone who would like to write memories of school days, please mail your articles to the *Cross Plains Review* for publishing.

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Social Security Representative Schedule Told

A representative from the Social Security Administration of office in Abilene will be in Eastland, Courthouse First Floor, on Tuesday, July 22, at 9:30 a.m.

Effective in July 2003, Social Security visits will be on a Quarterly basis. After July 2003, the next visit will be in October. You may contact Social Security on the internet at www.ssa.gov or by call the toll-free number 1-800-772-1213 from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

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NIMROD BAPTIST CHURCH
Sponsor: Pioneer Baptist Church
Sunday School.....10:00 A.M.
Sunday Morning Worship.....11:00 A.M.
Sunday Evening Worship.....6:00 P.M.
Bill Armstrong - Pastor

OBITUARIES

Catherine Joyce Jackson

Catherine Joyce Jackson, 68, of Brownwood, passed away Saturday, June 7, 2003, at Brownwood Regional Medical Center.

Funeral services were held at 10 a.m. Tuesday, June 10, 2003, at the First Baptist Church of Rising Star with Rev. David Williams officiating. Burial was in Rising Star Cemetery.

Mrs. Jackson was born July 21, 1934 in Cottonwood, Texas. She was a retired factory worker. She was a member of Faith Baptist Church of Brownwood and had lived in Brownwood since 1977.

Survivors include two sons, Steve Ingram and wife, Vicki, of Bangs, and James Lynn Jackson and wife, Tanya, of Oklahoma; three brothers, John Kelley and Freddy Kelley of Granbury, and Gene Kelley of Rising Star; two sisters, Barbara Sellers of Kosse, Texas and Linda Jackson of Rising Star; three grandchildren; four great-grandchildren and several nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents, L.P. and Lucile Shannon Kelley; her husband, James Royce Jackson; and three brothers, R.L. Kelley, J.M. Kelley and Bobby Kelley.

Mae Watson

Mrs. Mae Watson, 94, of Cisco, Texas, died Sunday, June 15, 2003, in the Brownwood Regional Medical Center in Brownwood.

Funeral service were held at 11:00 a.m. Wednesday, June 18, 2003, at the Higginbotham Chapel with Dwaine Clower officiating. Burial was in the Cross Plains Cemetery directed by Higginbotham Funeral Home of Cross Plains.

Mae was born January 16, 1909 in Maridian, Oklahoma to Martin King Potter and Mary Belle Dugan Potter. She married Robert Troy Watson in White Deer, Texas on October 8, 1924. She was a Baptist.

Survivors include her seven sons, James Robert Watson of Cross Plains, Everett Burl "Buck" Watson of Crockett, Donald Lee Watson of Rising Star, John Martin Watson of Sour Lake, Harry Douglas Watson of Kaufman, Jerry Dale Watson of Jasper, and Troy Ray Watson of Lampasas; four daughters, Bobbie Mae Casey of Cross Plains, Helen Lois Willis of Breckenridge, Barbara Joe Medley of Rising Star and Norma Jean Tucker of South Lake; 33 grandchildren, 67 great-grandchildren and 35 great-great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her husband; two sons, Dwane Watson and Raymond Earl "Ray" Watson; and four grandchildren.

Pallbearers were Stephen Pierce, Eugene Ford, Corey Ford, Jason Cork, Richard Watson and Darrel Watson.

REVIVAL at Gospel Mission Announced

A Revival will be held Friday and Saturday, June 20-21, at Gospel Mission, 716 S.E. 1st Street, Cross Plains. Services will begin at 7:00 p.m. Friday and two services are planned for Saturday, 10:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m.

James Brown, a radio and television evangelist from Brownwood, will be the featured speaker. Brother Brown asks, "What are you expecting God to do for you?" God has much to give you, so don't miss out.

Michael Ingram, pastor of Gospel Mission, invites you to come to the service and bring a loved one or friend with you. Everyone is welcome.

Ladies' Salad Supper at FBC 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 minister encouragement to her audience through teaching, music and praise. She has presented several programs on "Stress Management", "Intimacy in the Body" and "The Virtuous Woman" to women's groups in the West Texas area.

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.

Special Guest Speakers at Living Water Ministries June 22-25

Living Water Ministries would like to invite you to join us in welcoming John and Beverly Sheasby of Liberated Living Ministries from June 22nd through 25th. Both John and Beverly are natives of South Africa. John graduated from the Bible Institute of South Africa in Cape Town in 1971 and later from Baptist Theological College in Johannesburg, South Africa in 1974. The couple have pastored in Pretoria, South Africa and then in Zimbabwe.

In 1982 they moved to the Dallas/Fort Worth area, and have been ministering here in the United States since that time. They have a word from God to preach the liberating word of God's grace for the sinner and His love as a Father for His Children.

We are so blessed that they made time in their busy schedule to come to our community to share the love of the Lord with us. We hope that you will be able to come fellowship with us and hear the word of the Lord from these two very gifted and anointed teachers.

The Sunday meeting will be at 10:00 a.m. and Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday will begin at 7:00 p.m. You are welcome to come early and join us in prayer if you feel led to do so.

Submitted by Tina Bradley

Revival at Union Center Baptist Church Set For June 22-27

Union Center Baptist Church will be holding a Revival beginning Sunday, June 22, at 11:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. Services will commence at 7:00 p.m. Monday through Friday. Union Center Baptist Church is located 5 miles north of Rising Star, 1/2 mile east of Highway 183 on County Road 292. A nursery will be provided.

Herman Cramer will be the evangelist for the Revival. He is a Texas-based evangelist who makes his home in Seguin. He has been married to Judell for 39 years and they have two daughters, Cindy and Caren.

At an early age he sought success measured to the world's standards. After high school he began farming with forty acres of rented land. By the time he was twenty-eight, he had acquired over three thousand acres rented acres of prime farmland in the Rio Grande Valley. He was "successful" measured by the world's standards, but by God's standard he was "lost". It was at this point that he experienced a dramatic personal encounter with Jesus Christ...an encounter, which resulted in a total life change in life-style.

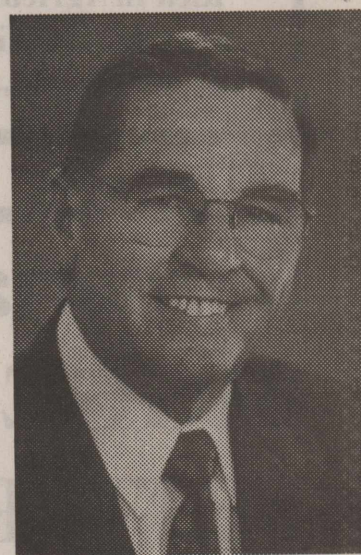
Almost immediately he sensed God's call to the ministry, and after one year, let go of all the rented land to give himself totally to that call.

He enrolled in Southwestern Seminary in Fort Worth where he graduated in May 1975. Upon graduation he pastored First Baptist Church in Dilley for five years before entering evangelism.

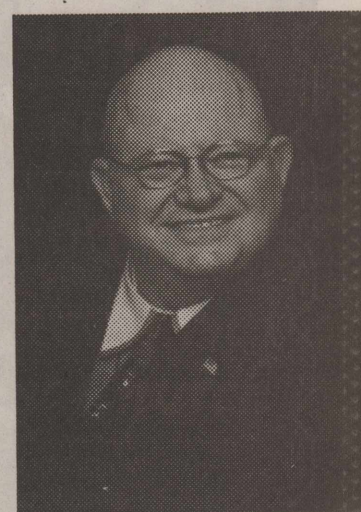
For twenty-two years Herman has conducted meetings throughout Texas, with an average of 38 to 40 revivals a year. He has served the Conference of Texas Baptist Evangelists as both vice president and president.

Ernie Overstreet will be conducting the music ministry. He is married to Gwen, and the couple have two sons, Pat and Cody.

Ernie thought he was saved at age 12 during R.A. Camp, but in 1979 God caused him to look at his life up to that time and he saw there had been no change. He asked God to change him and make him the man He would have Him to be. And there He saved



HERMAN CRAMER



ERNIE OVERSTREET

him and changed his life.

In 1980 God gave him his first job serving Him as a part-time minister of music. In 1982 he was called to full-time service and in 1984 God directed him to the Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary. In 1988 he received his degree and was called to his first full-time church as minister of music and youth. While in Seminary he first began to feel the call to evangelism.

In March of 1991, after almost 11 years serving on staff in several churches, the Lord opened the door for him into full-time evangelistic ministry.

Both Cramer and Overstreet, have dedicated their lives to sharing the message of Jesus, Christ.

Jerry Eckhart, pastor of Union Center Baptist Church, cordially invites all area residents to attend the revival. You will be warmly welcomed by all.

Ladies Salad Supper

Sat., June 21 7:00 pm

Family Life Center

Sharon Lewis, Speaker

All Ladies of the Community Are Invited

First Baptist Church

9:45 a.m. Bible Study 11:00 a.m. Worship
7:00 p.m. Evening Worship
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Rev. C. Michael Redd, Pastor

Sunday's Sermon

"Howling At The Storm"

QUIPS, CLIPS & COMMENTS

By Kay Mosley

Note: How do you like this weather? I can't tell whether to give thanks for the rain or pray for deliverance from these purported storms that might contain a tornado, according to the weather reports on T.V. I have finally come to the conclusion after much thought, study and many, many more prayers that the right thing for me to do is to do both.

Pray for rains AND for deliverance from the tornadic storms. Plus, offer prayerful thanks for the rains and for your safe delivery from the stormy and tornadic weather situations.

"Basil and Rosemary Mint to Take Thyme for Marjoram. So Sorrel (sorry)."

I have often heard these words/or at least 'A reasonable fac-simile'. Now, if I get some of those herbs (I might plant some or I might just buy some) but whichever way I get them, I don't know what particular herb goes with what dish I am cooking. And what else can I use the herbs for? Generally speaking, I would advise that they read about herbs. Check out a book from the Library; every time you read a magazine that contains recipes, take special notice of which herbs were used with the vegetables, meats, fruit, pie, etc. Make a mental note. Herbs are often used in the process of making pot'pouri that can be used decoratively or for their essence in candle making or in homemade bath salts.

For cooking, for instance, shrimp—try garlic, sorrel and saffron, totally delicious. Each of these spices compliment one another as well as the shrimp. Sorrel has a light lemony taste that really wakes up your taste buds. Another herb for cooking is tarragon, which is delicious with potatoes, meats, carrots, etc. However, tarragon is an herb that gives maximum flavor when used fresh, rather than dried. Another thing to note is, if your recipe call for fresh herbs, and you will be using dried herbs, cut the amount

in half. By the same token, say your recipe calls for dried herbs and you will be using fresh one, then double the amount.

Since we are on the subject of potatoes, they also go really well with rosemary. But don't use both tarragon and rosemary at the same time, as they are both very overpowering. For poultry, use thyme, mint, basil, sage, lemon balm, etc. Got beef-fennel, mint, oregano, marjoram, etc.? For pork such as roasts, ribs, hams, etc., try using garlic, fennel, mint, marjoram, oregano, parsley, tarragon, rosemary, etc.

My niece, Belinda, loves the fennel mixed into her scrambled eggs. Fennel is also good in stews, meat loaf and other meat dishes. The bulb of the fennel can also be washed, sliced and cooked as a complimentary side dish to meats. The branches of fennel can be used in cooking when substituted for celery in stews, soups, roasts, meat loaves and also in fresh vegetables, salads or in fruit salad. The seed of the fennel can be used for headaches, as well as for a diuretic. **Caution:** Do not use herbs medicinally without first checking with your doctor. Fennel can also be used to sweeten the stomach.

Mint goes well with chocolate. The leaves of the herb, sorrel are delightful when substituted for lettuce in a sandwich or in green salads. In fact, my husband, Marvin, prefers the sorrel instead of the lettuce. After getting use to the sorrel, he never wanted lettuce again, at all.

Also, anytime you are making a green salad, just about any of the herbs mentioned in today's column would go really great, also fresh spinach, radish leaves, mustard greens and different types of lettuce, arugula and other greens. Just wash all your greens very, very thoroughly, two to three times, break off pieces of any number of herbs and snip with scissors or slice with a knife, and add to other greens. **Bon' Appetite!!!**

PIONEER NEWS

WOW! Did we ever have a great time at the Pioneer and Surrounding Community Reunion. It was held at the Cross Plains Community Center on the 14th. There were about 87 in attendance. Several brought their children and grandchildren. It is great to meet the families. Frances Taylor will write more about our reunion later. We will be planning for another get-together on the second Saturday of June next year.

Nine members were at quilting on Tuesday. Quilting was done on the patch work pay quilt of Sandy's and on Laverne's "Southern Lady" quilt. Oh! It is going to be so beautiful.

Game Night will be held on June 26. All who like to play "84" or "42" need to come out to the Pioneer Community Center.

Earlene Burge and Jessica Stultz had their family for dinner Sunday. Joe and Julian Brown; James and Cindy Fuller and their two boys; Cameron Chisholm; and Jack Stultz were there. Everyone had a good time. Reggie Barr came by for a little while.

Laverne Hutton, Glenda Phillips and Charlene Chesshir attended the Church Out Reach program at Rising Star Monday night.

Glenda Phillips, Allen, Janice and family went to Stephenville Sunday to the Boyd reunion. It rained all the way there. It was a perfect day for it, because it was so cool. They met at the park under a big pavilion. They had big pavilions where several reunions were being held. It was so cool that the children didn't get to go swimming. Krista and Emily Harris came to Glenda's Monday evening for a few minutes. They wanted something to drink and something to put the berries they picked along the road in.

From Wednesday the 4th until Sunday the 8th the Chesshir Farm received 3.5 inches of rain. It rained every night between 2 and 4 a.m. On the morning of the 10th it was just a lot of thunder and lightning and no rain. Charlene went to the Hendrick River Ranch (Northeast of I euders)

Saturday to the Hendrick Home Reunion. Melanie Chesshir went with her and drove her home that night. Melanie enjoyed fishing with her great-uncle, Stewart Cooper, and boating up and down the river. It was too muddy to swim this year. Jim came and mowed Charlene's big yard and picked wild berries. It was too wet for him to plow or hoe in the garden. (Jim, you will just have to come back to hoe that garden!) One of these days things will have to be picked out of it.

Frankie Smith traveled to Ranger Thursday and spent the night with her sister, Mrs. Dorothy Rogers. She helped her with her clothes closet. Saturday night Frankie and Jean Fore traveled with Mr. and Mrs. Freddie Blount to the Sipe Springs Musical. Monday, Frankie had for her company Mr. and Mrs. Robert Nance. Robert did a lot of things for his mother-in-law. They all had a great time together.

May Jones traveled to Marshall for a few days to visit D.P.'s mother, Pate Huffman. Pate returned home with May. She will spend a few days with them.

Father's Day was a very happy occasion at the James and Jean Alexander house. Jim, Marla and children, Jack, Will and Ashley, spent the weekend with them. Earlier in the week their daughter, Starr Appleton of Corpus Christi, and granddaughter, Andrea Appleton of Richardson, visited. James and Jean's grandchildren are growing up. Jack will be a senior at ACU in the fall, Will will be a freshman at ACU and "little" Ashley will be in the 7th grade at Apollo Richardson. Andrea will be in her 3rd year of teaching. Grandchildren, Heather and Doss, were unable to be with them this time.

We have gotten a good amount of rain lately. We are very thankful for it. It has made our countryside look or pretty and green. Maybe the sun will be out long enough to get the wheat out of the field and the hay cut and baled.

Words of Wisdom: Happiness is like potato salad—when shared with others, it's a picnic. See you next time!

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COTTONWOOD NEWS

By Wallace Bennett

Cottonwood citizens were very much in evidence last weekend at the Barbarian Festival and side-shows in Cross Plains. Many of you were parading, working at the books and doing good deeds by helping worthy organizations make a success out of the 2003 celebration of Robert E. Howard. Some of us were just looking around, watching the parade go by, looking at the "vintage cars" and "vintage tractors" and enjoying the opportunity of visiting and talking to each other on the streets of Cross Plains.

I took some good photos of the bicycle hi-riders (which you should have seen, if you didn't), the old cars and tractors, and local citizens working in booths.

However, I failed to put film in the camera, so I have some boring, completely blank shots.

One of the best shots I made, but missed, was of Wendel Draper, his granddaughter, Sarah, and a cousin, Ocie Draper, and his friend, Linda, who live in the DFW metroplex. They were looking at the old cars and made excellent poses. Ocie Draper also owns property just north of Cottonwood and has good intentions of building a home and establishing some personal roots here. We will all be looking forward to that day.

I had to leave the festivities to visit with another bunch of the Coats family (kinfolks) who were holding a reunion at the Cottonwood Community Center. They are descendants of George W. Coats and were meeting back in Cottonwood for the first time in a number of years.

When I left the Howard festivities, I handed the camera to wife, Carol, and asked her to get shots

of the EMS Mock Emergency Drill which was to occur later. She made some beautiful photos (she says) of the wreck, the ambulances, the fire trucks and the Cottonwood folks who volunteered for the Cross Plains EMS squad. But she also forgot to put film in the camera, so, no photos of that scene.

Another person I visited with after the parade in Cross Plains was Rusty Burke of Washington, D.C. He is a Robert E. Howard fan, a member of and regular contributor to the program of the fantasy writers club (REHUPA) (a genre of writing spawned by Howard's works) which meets here each year. He is also, according to his own testimony, a regular reader of the *Cross Plains Review* and this column. So, please all of you Cottonwood citizens, be on your best behavior in order to make a good report for the nation's capitol.

Don't forget! The Cottonwood Musical is this Friday night. The Cottonwood Quilting Club will be serving food consisting of a salad bar, sandwiches, desserts and drinks. See you there!

Don't also forget! Cottonwood's Independence Day Celebration, July 4, 2003, at 10:00 a.m. at the Cottonwood Community Center. If you have suggestions for a presentation, please contact Wallace Bennett (254) 725-7474, Mary Ella Weaver (254) 725-7544 or Jacque Childress (254) 725-6866. Children and young people are urged to participate in the program.

(Please notify Wallace Bennett at (254) 725-7474 of any news, upcoming events, or personal items. If we don't know it, we can't print it.)

Senior Citizens' Center Book Sale Ongoing Check It Out !!!!!!!

The Senior Citizens' Center has over a thousand books to choose from, so come browse Monday through Friday, June 23-27th, from 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. You may also shop from 5:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. Tuesday, June 24th,

during their 42 Night. The game night begins at 5:00 p.m. if you want to play.

Be sure to come by the **BOOK SALE** while the selection is great.

RISEING STAR NURSING CENTER

On June 3rd, we took several residents on a field trip to Dublin. We enjoyed a tour of the Dr. Pepper Plant and Museum.

The residents who joined us were Pauline Regian, Pauline Switzer, Roby Kornegay, Violet Johnston, Ellie Elliott, Irene Starkey and Jack Smith. "Thank you" to Randolph Dodge in Eastland for the use of

the van. We appreciate your generosity.

Please keep residents, Myrtle Hoggett and Jessie Casey, in your prayers as they are in the hospital. Ellie Elliott is recovering from a fall and she is doing well.

Welcome to our new resident, R.T. Watson from Burkett, we are happy to have you in our home.

Harris-Brown Reunion Planned for June 28th

The 2003 Reunion of the Harris and Brown families is scheduled for Saturday, June 28th, at the Community Center in Cross Plains, located next to the Multi-Purpose Center on the old Pioneer Highway (700 E. 1st Street). Over 130 years ago, Harris and Brown families settled southeast of Burkett. Family and family friends are encouraged to enjoy a day of fellowship and reminis-

ing. Family members will bring enough food for their immediate families and items to be used as door prizes or raffled to benefit the reunion association. Ice, drinks, napkins, flatware, plates and cups will be provided. New officers will be elected and donations accepted as necessary to keep the association alive.

Love Fund Remains Open for Ivan Denny, Jr. at Texas Heritage Bank

The Love Fund established earlier for Ivan Denny, Jr. is still open at Texas Heritage Bank.

Ivan remains in severe pain and has recently suffered another stroke. He will be undergoing a gamma knife procedure soon, but

its outcome is not certain. He and his family would appreciate any assistance you might provide during this difficult time. They ask that you keep him in your prayers.

Monthly Story Hour for Children/Adults

James Walter LeRoy Rambo Woods will be the storyteller for the children. He will be speaking once a month, and this month he will be at the Cross Plains Public Library on Tuesday, June 24, at 9:30 a.m.

After Story Hour with the

children, he will go to the Senior Citizens' Center and have game and story time, in addition to lunch.

Come enjoy a great time out of the Texas summer heat with James Walter LeRoy Rambo Woods.

LIBRARY NOTES

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Statistics

Circulation: Books 50

Honorarium:

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IT'S A BOY



Edward and April (Jennings) Netzhammer are thrilled to announce the arrival of **Ryan Edward**. Ryan was born on March 21, 2003 at 5:43 p.m. He was 7 pound, 14 ounces and was 20 inches long.

He was also welcomed with love by his two pups, Scout and Daisy.

Maternal grandparents are Donna and Charles Jennings of Cross Plains. Paternal grandparents are Emile and Anna Belle Netzhammer of Kenner, LA.

SENIOR CITIZENS MENU JUNE 23 - 27

MONDAY - Chicken spaghetti, Tossed Salad, Brussel Sprouts, Apricots, Garlic Toast, Milk
TUESDAY - Smothered Steak w/ gravy, Potatoes, Squash Medley, Birthday Cake, Roll, Milk
WEDNESDAY - Pork Chops w/ gravy, Yam Patty, Broccoli, Brownie, Bread, Milk
THURSDAY - Chicken Cacciatore, Buttered Noodles, Carrots, Gelatic w/ fruit, Bread, Milk
FRIDAY - Fish Sticks, Coleslaw, Baked Beans, Cheesecake, Hushpuppies, Milk

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Our Family "Vacation" Bible School for this summer is only 1 1/2 weeks away—**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 Pharisee 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.
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SCHOOL BOARD MEETING

A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Cross Plains I.S.D. will be held on June 19th, beginning at 7:00 p.m. in the high school administrative board room. The subjects to be discussed or considered or upon which any form or action may be taken are as follows:

1. Prayer
2. Minutes
3. Open Forum
4. Test Report
5. Texas Primary Reading Inventory Report
6. Discuss and Take Action on Auditor for 2003-2004
7. Discuss and Take Action on Selling Old Buses
8. Discuss and Take Action on Electricity Service Bids
9. Personnel
 - A. Accepting Resignations
 - B. Act on Contract for New Employees
 - C. Act on Contract for JR3 Employee
 - D. Other Personnel Matters, As Necessary.

Notice of the meeting was posted in compliance with the Open Meetings Act on June 16, 2003, at 10:00 a.m. by Jackie Tension, for the Board of Trustees.

CROSS PLAINS ELEMENTARY 2002-2003 PRINCIPAL'S HONOR ROLL 6TH SIX WEEKS

First Grade: Haleigh King, Christa Potter, Tristen Stephenson
Second Grade: Makayla Cowan, Victoria Creamer, Britton Dukes, Riley Lawrence
Third Grade: Lauren Goode, Zoie Walker
Fourth Grade: Shawna Lewis, Samuel Rockett
Fifth Grade: Shelby Randolph
Sixth Grade: Krista Phillips

2002-2003 "A" HONOR ROLL 6TH 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, 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: Ryder H Foster, Lauren E Goode, Payton G Porter, Katherine M Taff, Austin D Thomas, Morgan M Thomas, Zoie P Walker
Fourth Grade: Tyler T Avants, Cody E Ford, Shawna D Lewis, Samuel C Rockett, Logan T Turner, Dillon D Whiteley
Fifth Grade: Emma G Bennett, Melissa S Black, Amanda K Dunaway, Tiffany P Holland, Brittany A Johnson, Shelby J Randolph, Zachary T Snell
Sixth Grade: Terrah S Augustine, Douglas B Bowden, Emily M Harris, Krista D Phillips, Brooklyn A Strength

2002-2003 "AB" HONOR ROLL 6TH SIX WEEKS

First Grade: Joshua C Branch, Brooklin C Cantu, Kaitlyn S Koettel, Colton B McWilliams, Dalton W Mosley, Jacob T Parker, John C Perry
Second Grade: Preston F Armer, Chelsea M Branch, Dakota R Gilliam, Daniel L Higgins, Kathleen E Horton, Nathan J Pfoh, Sara R Sifuentes, Brandon A Skidmore, Layton C Turner, Maci J Whitson, Tyler C Zink
Third Grade: Rebecca R Allen, Jayten M Ames, Shelby B Ames, Charleen M Avants, Dakota S Bomar, Samantha C Dickson, Hannah J Horton, Viola J McKenzie, Shaun T Muniain, Brianne L Purcell, Victoria E Robertson-Durbin, Justin W Simons, Misty L Simons, Sammie S Tollett, Kristin N Willis
Fourth Grade: Delany D Ames, Kevin J Baker, Patrick R Border, Britney N Crafton, Justin C Golson, Joel T Hinten, Tonei R Kemp, Jacob L Marsh, Miranda M Williams, Hayden C Wyatt, Savana R Wyatt
Fifth Grade: Tara R Brown, Thomas E Burrhus, Nathan L Creamer, Emily C Foster, Jessica S Hall, Kayla D Lawrence, Robert A Lewallen, Amber B Parker, Cameron B Phillips, Kelsey R Pointer, Benjamin E Schaefer, Cody J Sliger
Sixth Grade: Sheena R Apple, Lela E Bills, Asheigh S Galloway, Lacasta K Jones, Quenton N Koettel, Tawni R Nichols, Mandy J Rose, Thomas C Savell, Charlie Vasquez, Joe D Wyatt

Library Writing Contest Winners

The 2003 Creative Writing Contest at the Cross Plains Public Library has been completed. As they have in past contests, these young writers have exemplified that they have imaginations and can tell stories and create poems that show originality and thought. Congratulations to these young writers and their good teachers!

The results are as follows:
Early Childhood
 I enjoyed the drawings with these entries. Abstract to be sure, but fun to see effort to connect story and drawing. For little guys, they did well.

1st Place - Caitlyn Bland
2nd Place - Alex Stout
3rd Place - Inez Salazar
Pre-Kindergarten
 The judging for this group took into consideration both the author's storytelling talents and ability to communicate original ideas about going to the library. I enjoyed their drawings as well.

1st Place - Seth Wyatt
2nd Place - A. Elissa Cantu
3rd Place - Inez Salazar

Kindergarten
 Many of the drawings showed imagination, but it was the writer's reflection of his/her own unique and creative notion of what a good story is that impressed the judge.

1st Place - (Once upon a time the kid was Tiger Woods) Korbin McLean
2nd Place - (One morning I woke up and I was green) Lara Bills
3rd Place - (One morning I woke up and I was green because an alien...) Paige Wilson

First Grade
 Many of these young writers are good storytellers, which made choosing winners a difficult job. Judging was based on originality and author's skill in storytelling.

1st Place - Christa Potter
2nd Place - Haleigh King
3rd Place - Justin Willis
Second Grade
 These entries were well-written for second graders. The winners understand the value of including detail in their tales and they know what good stories must do to capture attention.

1st Place - "The Bear and the Butterfly" Dakota Gilliam
2nd Place - "The Mrs. Priss" Katherine Goode
3rd Place - "My Silly Dogs" Victoria Creamer

Third Graders
 All of these entries were very good. The storytellers chose good detail and understand what good narrative requires.

1st Place - "My First Parakeet" Chelsea Perry
2nd Place - "My Trip to New Mexico" Kenzie Taff
3rd Place - "My Trip to Florida" Lauren Goode

Fourth Grade
 These young writers understand the value of poetry as an outlet for their thoughts and feelings. All of the entries were fun to read. Their poetry in haiku form shows their understanding of both haiku and of poetic statement of feelings and observations.

1st Place - "Thunder hits the Ground" Tru Avants
2nd Place - "Surfing very big waves" Colton Rockett
3rd Place - "Big is the lizard" Joel Hinton
Fifth Grade
 It was difficult to decide winners among these entries. Finally

I looked for original thoughts as well as understanding of what a haiku poem should be. These were fun to read.

1st Place - "Drippy, Drip, Drop" Kayla Lawrence
2nd Place - "Kangaroos Hopping" Amber Parker
3rd Place - "Everything is bright" (a bit of creative spelling here, but poetry is good) Amanda Dunaway

Sixth Grade
 All of these entries demonstrate thoughtfulness and understanding of what taking responsibility requires. First place entry need to work on spelling but original detail in this essay is what makes it superior. With a bit of revision, this will be an excellent discussion.

1st Place - Tawni Nichols
2nd Place - Brooklyn Strength
3rd Place - Terra Augustine
Seventh Grade
 Well-written poems. All were good, but the winners chose original ways for expressing their thoughts and emotions connected with their subjects.

1st Place - "Friends" Starla Schaefer
2nd Place - "Shoes" Gina Newsom
3rd Place - "My Greatest Influence" Betty Mathews

Eighth Grade
 The first-place winner has written an excellent poem. With original detail and control of language, this poet expresses strong emotion well and poetically. Creative imagination also evident in the other two choices.

1st Place - "Running" Travis Crockett
2nd Place - "It's That Feeling" Tracey Randolph
3rd Place - "The Great Adventure of a Lifetime" Michael Navarro

Ninth Grade
 Not many entries but the three who dared, write well. I enjoyed reading the first place winners take-off on Frost's poem. Very well thought out.

1st Place - "The Choices" Vevy Carpenter
2nd Place - "Friendship" Amanda Purcell
3rd Place - "Gun Control in Schools" Travis Golson

Tenth Grade
 Since judging poetry and short stories as one entry is difficult, I've given places to both genre writers. I enjoyed reading both sets of entries and urge writers to improve writing style and spelling. Your good and creative ideas are worthy of your best writing. Keep writing and working on your ability to express your good thoughts.

Poetry
1st Place - "I'm sorry..." Jera James
2nd Place - "Rainbow" Kimberly Roberts
3rd Place - "I Don't Want" Misty Callaway
Short Stories
1st Place - "Squall Emotions" Josh Nelson
2nd Place - "Short Story" Marie Besselaar
3rd Place - "Attack of the Killer Bees" Travis Black

Eleventh Grade - No entries
Twelfth Grade
 Poetry and short stories judged separately. Subject matter of many of these entries a bit painful to read, but honest and very thoughtful. There is no better way

to deal with problems and fast-approaching adulthood than working through each stage by writing about feelings and responses to life's experiences—good and not-so good.

Poetry
1st Place - "Poem" Colby Barton
2nd Place - "Pressure" Cassia Ratliff
3rd Place - "Friends" Carrie Rogers

Short Stories
1st Place - "The Girl Who Lost Her Way Home" Amanda Beard
2nd Place - "The Numbing" Judith Hartman
3rd Place - "The Baseball" Josh Ely

BEST OF BEST:
1st Place Overall - Grade 8 "Running" Travis Crockett (This young writer understands what poetry really is. This elegant, felt writing.)
2nd Place - Grade 4 "Thunder hits the ground..." Tru Avants (These haiku stanzas are written by a very mature little writer who has a real "feel" for poetic expression.)

3rd Place (TIE) - Grade 10 "I'm Sorry Mom" Jera James (Expression of teenage conflict well-done here—and writer maintains an even-handed approach in this well-written poem.)

3rd Place (TIE) - Grade 10 "I Don't Want" Misty Callaway
 The judge can say once again what she said the last three years. I enjoyed all of these entries, and I wish each author could have been first. Choices were made on how imaginative, original and well-structured as a story, essay or poem each entry was. Wit, attention to detail, and insight were also a consideration. The judge was Ginny Hoskins.

Watch for the winning stories to be published in future editions of the Cross Plains Review.

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Submitted by Judy Porter

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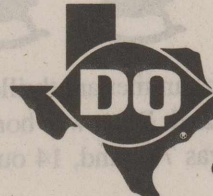
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COURTHOUSE NEWS

COUNTY COURT
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John Weeks, presiding

Misdemeanor Filings

Angela P. Jackson, theft by check.
Sulema Solis, theft by check.
Raymond L. Whitt, driving while intoxicated (DWI).

Misdemeanor Minutes

Brandi Ketcherside, motion to withdraw as surety and application for warrant granted.

Civil Minutes

Diane Lynn Wilkins and Stan Allen Wilkins, divorce granted.
Firerock Company vs. First Firerock Energy Corporation, order on joint motion for dismissal with prejudice granted.
Mark Stallings vs. Jim Hill and Cara Hill, judgment for plaintiff to recover \$5,657.80 from defendants granted.
Lawrence Valdez and Rhonda Jean Valdez, divorce granted.
Misty Michelle Yates and Chris Nolan Yates, divorce granted.

Allen Barnett to Receive High Masonic Honor

By John Baum

Allen Barnett will be esteemed this Thursday, June 19th, by receiving the Golden Trowel Award at an open meeting of the Cross Plains Masonic Lodge. Presentation ceremonies will begin at 7:00 p.m. at the Lodge building located at S.E. 2nd and Beech Streets. The award ceremonies are open to the public and all friends of the Barnetts are encouraged to attend.

The Golden Trowel Award is the Lodge's formal recognition of a Brother for his devoted service to Masonic principles in general or to his Lodge. It is intended for the Mason who, year after year, quietly, but actively demonstrates his devotion to the teachings of Masonry without thought of recognition or special honors. It is to those Master Craftsmen that the Golden Trowel Award is designated as the highest Award a Lodge can bestow upon an individual member.

Allen Robert Barnett was born the third child of R.L. and Billie Barnett on August 30, 1956 at Midland. Allen's boyhood years were spent growing up with his siblings, Carolyn Ruth and Larry, in the city of Midland and the country setting of Cottonwood. Cottonwood quickly became and remains the place he considers home.

Allen started school in Midland in 1962 and transferred to Cross Plains Elementary in 1965. He returned to Midland to attend San Jacinto Junior High from 1968 through 1969. He again transferred to Cross Plains to attend high school from 1970 through 1973.

Rising Star Junior Rodeo Upcoming

It's rodeo time again in Rising Star! The Rising Star Junior Rodeo is a KJRA rodeo and it is scheduled for June 27 and 28 at the arena located on Highway 36 East.

Entries will be accepted at 6:00 p.m. and the grand entry will begin at 7:00 p.m.

Events include junior and senior bull riding, steers, breakaway roping, barrel racing, pole bending, ribbon pulling, ribbon roping, tie-down roping and team roping.

He and Barbara Ann Carroll were united in marriage at Cottonwood Baptist Church on March 7, 1979. They have three children, Danny Michael, Jeremy Allen and Lindsey Virginia. They currently have three grandchildren with two more on the way.

Allen's father, an automotive mechanic from his time of serving in the European Theater of World War II until retirement, taught Allen mechanic basics at an early age. At the tender age of sixteen he took a summer job on an oil field casing-pulling rig. The next 23 years were spent working various positions in the oil fields of Texas, New Mexico, California, Utah, Nevada, Colorado and Louisiana. When the oil business slowed he completed his GED and attended night classes at Cisco Junior College in Abilene. After receiving an Associate Degree in Maintenance Mechanics, he opened his own business, in home and appliance repair and quickly earned a stellar reputation for his skills and integrity.

Allen followed his father's footsteps when he was initiated an Entered Apprentice Mason at Cross Plains Lodge on August 10, 1987. He was passed to Fellowcraft on September 12th and raised to Master Mason on October 20th of the same year. He has served in many Lodge stations and places and served as Master of the Lodge in 1990-91. He is the quintessential Mason who consistently demonstrates the principles of brotherhood, and was duly elected to receive the Golden Trowel Award by unanimous vote of the Lodge on April 3, 2003.

ACU Student from Cross Plains Named to Dean's Honor Roll

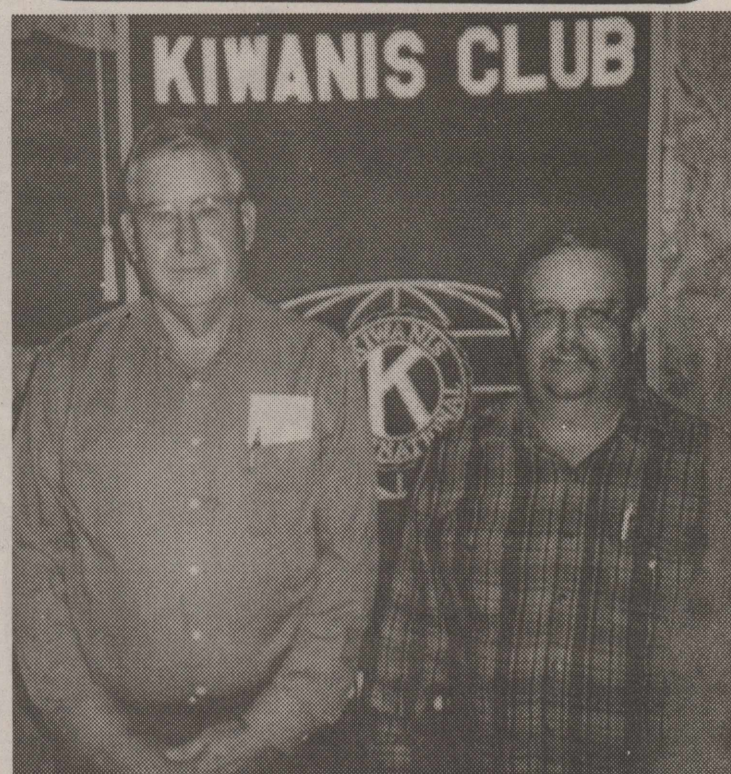
Angie Crawford of Cross Plains was named to the Dean's Honor Roll at Abilene Christian University for the spring 2003 semester.

Crawford is working toward a Bachelor of Business Administration degree in accounting.

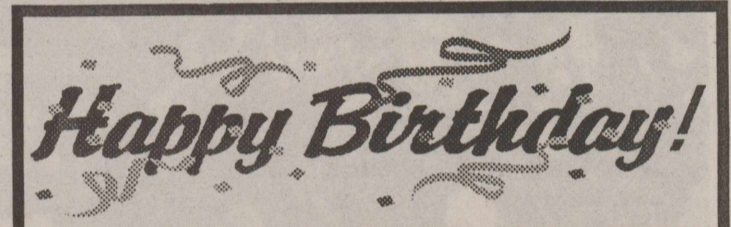
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GUEST SPEAKER FOR KAWANIS CLUB — Roy Richey (right), agricultural Science and Technology teacher at Cross Plains I.S.D. was Kiwanis guest speaker, Tuesday. Mr. Richey gave a very informative program on the school's Agriculture Science Program. He stated that 137 high school students were involved in the Agriculture Science Program. "We had a very successful year in Leadership & Judging Contests, and Stock Show," Mr. Richey stated. Five students were awarded the Lone Star Farmer degree for outstanding work in all areas of the Agriculture Science Program. Several senior students have won college scholarships. W.G. McCoy (left) was Program Chairman.



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Local Student Named to SWT Dean's List

Candice Francy, 2000 graduate of Cross Plains High School, has been recognized for outstanding academic achievement within the College of Fine Arts and Communication at South West Texas State in San Marcos and has been named to the Dean's List for the spring 2003 semester. To be eligible for the Dean's List, students must be enrolled full

time and have a GPA of 3.4 or higher.

Candice is a senior Mass Communication major specializing in Public Relations. She hopes to pursue a career in sports or entertainment PR upon graduation. She is the daughter of Rhonda Hinten of Cross Plains and Sheldon Francy of Warrensburg, Missouri.

Local Resident Named to TSTC Honor Roll

WACO—Jeffery Brown of Cross Plains earned a place on the Dean's Honor Roll for the Spring Semester at Texas State Technical College (TSTC) in Waco.

Brown is a student in Industrial Maintenance and Engineering Technology.

The Dean's Honor Roll recognizes the scholastic achievement of students with a grade point average of 3.5 to 3.99 for the semester.

Texas State Technical College Waco conferred more associate

degrees than any public college in the nation in engineering-related technologies. TSTC Waco is also the No. 1 Texas public college in awarding communications technologies and No. 1 college in agricultural business associate degrees. (Based upon U.S. Department of Labor data as reported in the June 24, 2002 issue of "Community College Week".) For more information, visit www.waco.tstc.edu or call toll-free (800) 792-8784 or direct (254) 867-3371.

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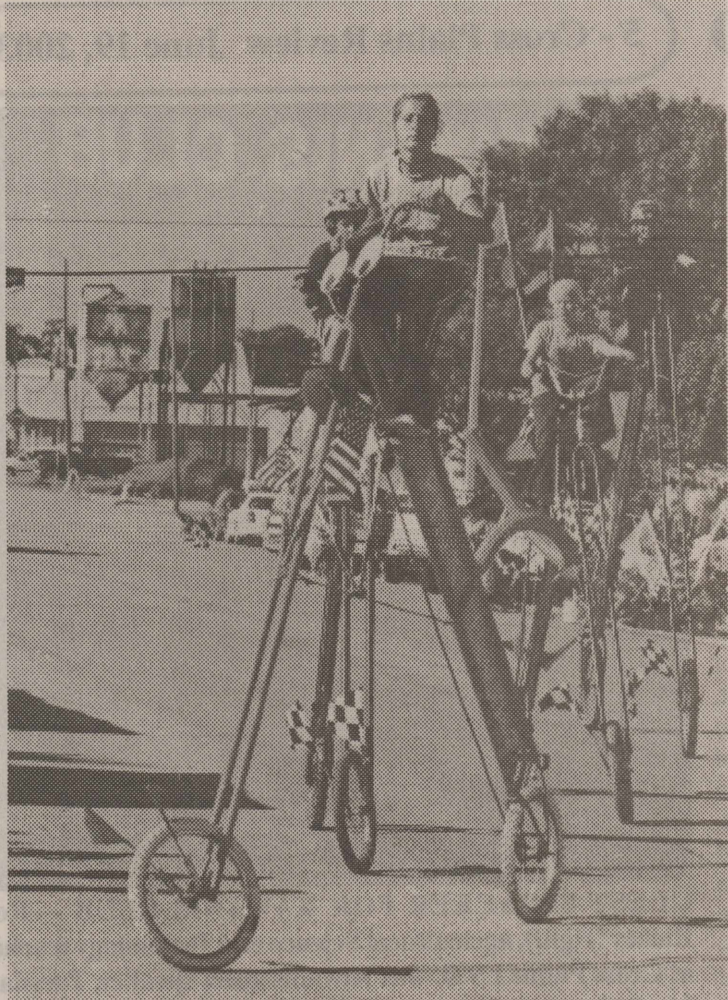
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2003 BARBARIAN Festival Results

Barbarian Festival
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TALL, TALL BICYCLES—These bike riders got lots of attention at Saturday's festivities.

Classic Car Show Winners
People's Choice - Jack Bessire, Eastland
Best of Show - Ron Weckwerth, Early
Best Antique - Dale and Linda Lorange, Carbon
Best Convertible - Mike McClure, Cross Plains
Best Classic - Jack Bessire, Eastland
Best Truck - Dan and Susie Moore, Lake Brownwood
Best Street Rod - Gary Davis, Comanche

Tractor Show Winners
People's Choice - Ryan Payne, Cross Plains
Most Unique - G.W. Ashwander, Goldsboro
Best Restored 1 Row - Ryan Payne, Cross Plains
Best Restore 2-4 Row - Clarence Chambers, Brownwood

Oldest Tractor - Clarence Chambers, Brownwood
Most Original Working Tractor 1 Row - Bobby Jack McCowen, Cross Plains
Most Original Working Tractor 2-4 Row - Brent Key, Cross Plains
Best Tractor/Implement Combination - Ryan Payne, Cross Plains
Best Display Antique Engines - George Sears, Zephyr
Best Restored IH Farmall - G.W. Ashwander, Goldsboro
Most Original Restored IH - Sam Simmons, Moran

Motorcycle Show Winners
Best of Show - George Mathews, Cross Plains
Open Class - Wade Hayes, Brownwood
Harley Class - Wade Hayes, Brownwood
Cruiser - People's Choice - Luis Zapata, Brownwood
Touring Class - Jimmy Bates, Brownwood
Oldest Couple/Hard Luck Couple - Fred and Jessie Childers, Cross Plains

Motorcycle Game Winners
Poker Run Winner - George Mathews, Cross Plains
Ball Roll - Luis and Dee Zapata, Brownwood
Cones - Robert Wilson, Brownwood and Betty Mathews, Cross Plains
Hot Dog Run - Robert Wilson, Brownwood and Betty Mathews, Cross Plains
Balloon Toss - Jimmy Bates, Brownwood and Toni Mae Wyatt, Cross Plains
Slow Race - Cory Switzer, Cross Plains

Hoola Hoop Winners
Age 6-10 - 1st - Kaycee Long
2nd - Misty Simons
Age 11-18 - 1st Tie - Hailey Biggs and Chelsea Long
Championship - Tie 1st Place - Hailey Biggs and Chelsea Long (38 minutes)
2nd Place - Kaycee Long

Motorcycle Winners
Plans are already underway for next year's Festival which will be even bigger and better. If you would like to be a part of this annual event, meetings are the 4th Tuesday of each month beginning July 28th at 6:00 p.m. at Jean's Feed Barn.



PEOPLE'S CHOICE ANTIQUE CAR—Susan McNeel is presenting the plaque to Jack Bessire of Eastland.



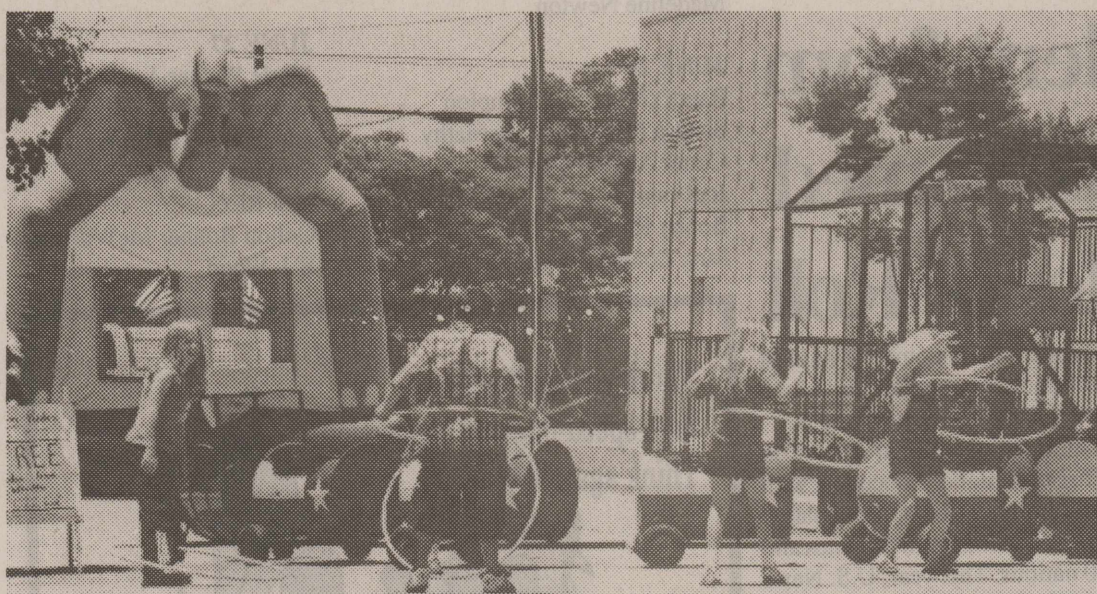
GREAT PARADE ENTRY—The Red Hat Society brought patriotism to the Festival.



MOTORCYCLES EXHIBITED—All types, colors, etc. came out for the Poker Run and Games.



HOOLA HOOP CHAMPS—Chelsea Long (left) and Hailey Biggs tied at 38 minutes.



POPULAR ATTRACTIONS—The air castle and the mini train.



PEOPLE'S CHOICE—Ryan Payne of Cross Plains.



BOOTH THAT KIDS LOVE—This booth on Main Street offered all kinds of goodies.

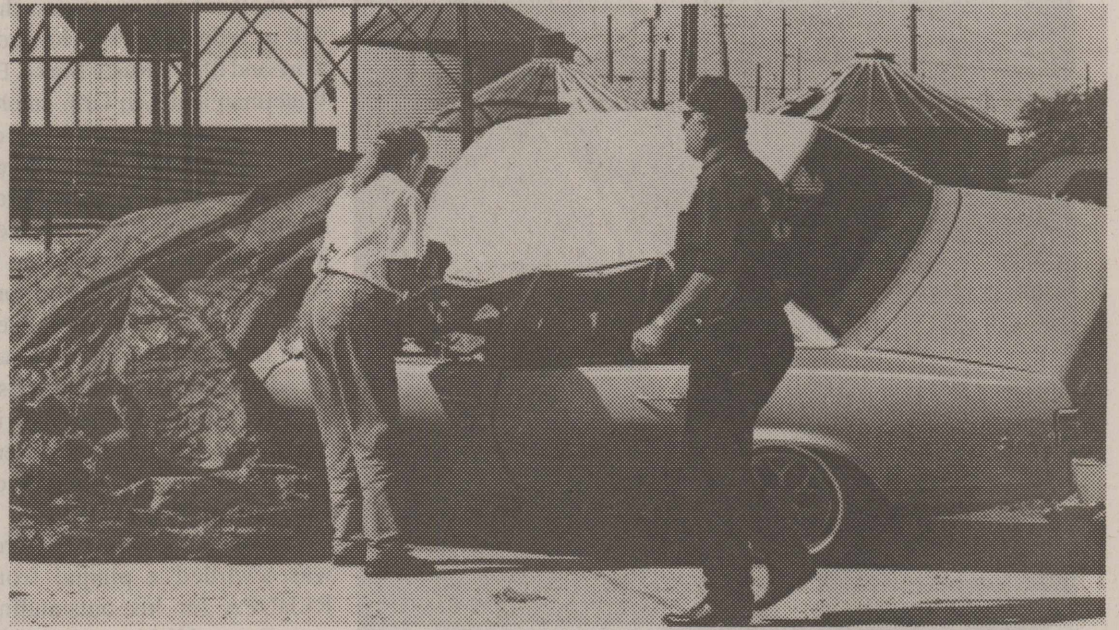


TRACTOR GAMES—Driving skills were demonstrated on antique tractors.



BEST CONVERTIBLE CLASSIC CAR—Mike McClure of Cross Plains is accepting his plaque from Susan McNeel, Barbarian Festival representative.

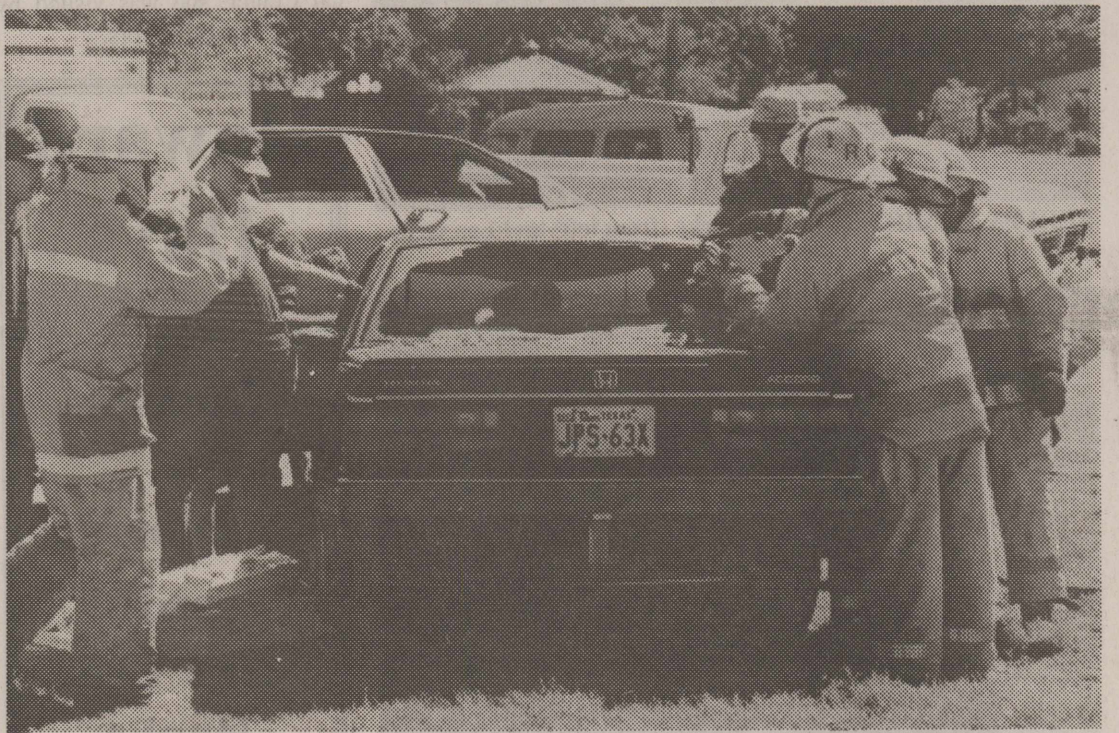
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MOCK ACCIDENT SCENE—Cross Plains E.M.S. volunteers access needs of passengers.



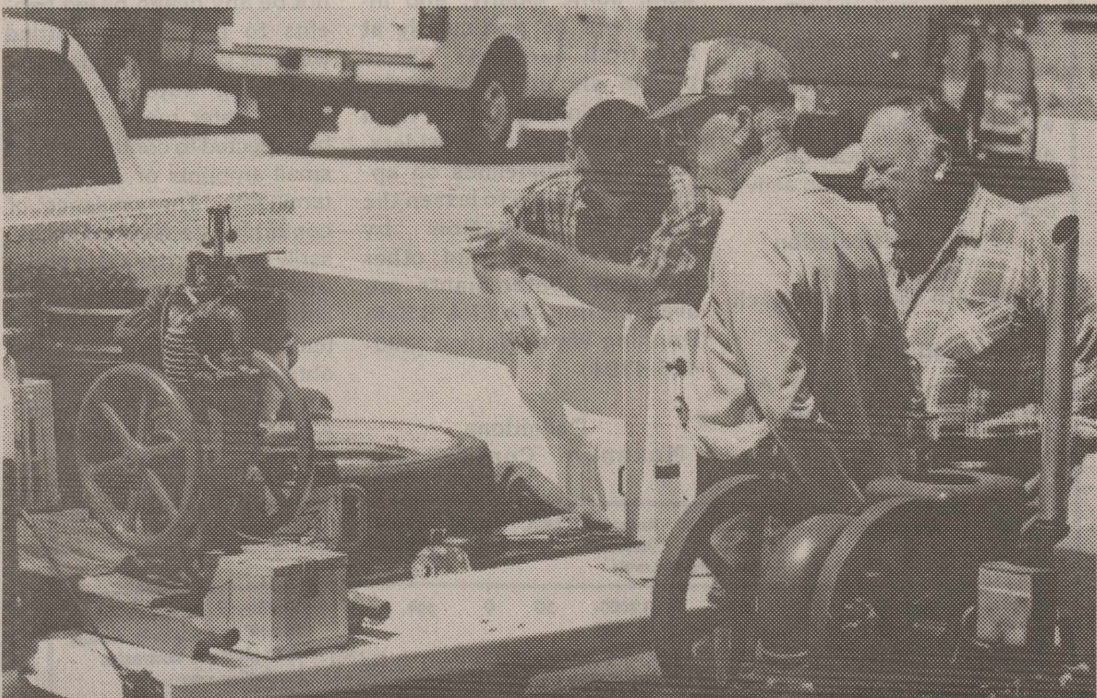
HANDLING AN ACCIDENT VICTIM—The Cross Plains Volunteer Fire Department demonstrated their skills.



JAWS OF LIFE DEMONSTRATION—Firefighters cut the top off the vehicle, while E.M.S. attendants assisted the injured.



E.M.S. AND FIRE DEPARTMENT VOLUNTEER WORK COOPERATIVELY—Local volunteers wowed the crowd.



BEST DISPLAY OF ANTIQUE ENGINES—George Sears of Zephyr (center) was the winner. Monty Richards (left) and Harold Hinkle (right) are looking over the display.



TEXAS TORNADOES—These dancers were dressed sharp and added a flair to the day's events.



FOOD BOOTH AT FESTIVAL—Thomas and Wyatt families provided lemonade and barbecue.



DOWNTOWN CROSS PLAINS—This years Barbarian Festival brought all kinds of fun, fellowship, food and music to the community.

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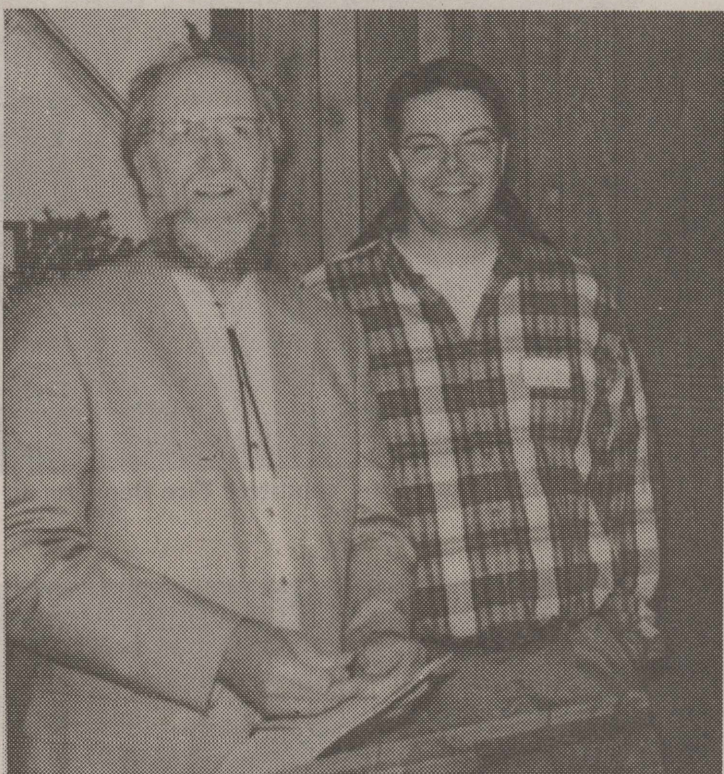
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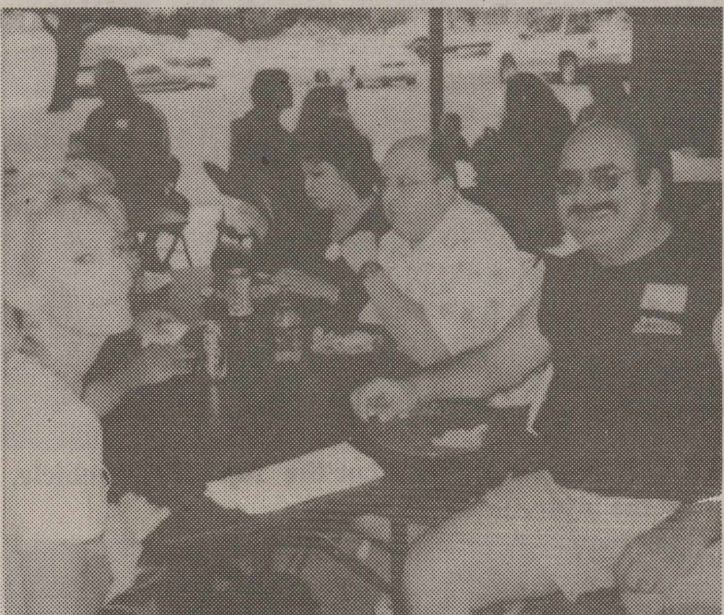
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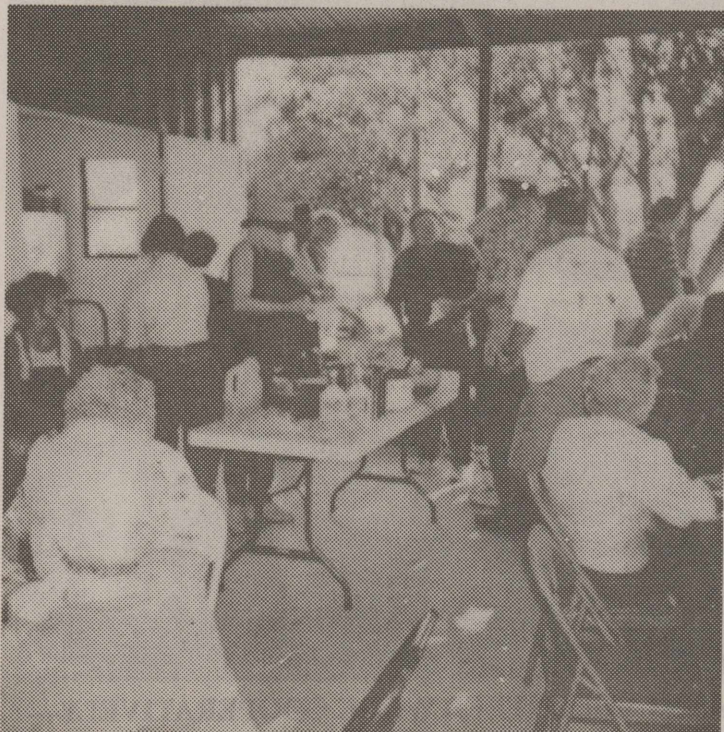
SPECIAL AWARD FROM REHUPA—Glenn Lord (left) has accepted a plaque from Rusty Burke.



REHUPA MEMBERS—Rusty Burke (from left) and Leo Grin.



HOWARD FANS ENJOY FOOD AND FELLOWSHIP—Over 150 attended festivities at the Howard House and Pavilion.



CADDO PEAK RANCH TREATS HOWARD FANS—Supper usually provided at the ranch was moved to the Pavilion due to inclement weather.

culty by an academic press. He has another book in progress that will include essays on Howard's work and life by Rusty Burke, Ed Waterman and Leo Grin among others who are members of REHUPA. REHUPA is limited to 30 members who are required to write essays that are published in their bimonthly newsletter. If they miss publication in two consecutive issues, they are stricken from membership and new ones are admitted from the waiting list. Members from coast to coast in attendance at the dinner were introduced by the Master of Ceremonies, Rusty Burke.

An honored guest, Glenn Lord, was awarded a plaque from REHUPA for his outstanding support republishing the works of Robert E. Howard. Another award, the \$1,000 Robert E. Howard Literary Scholarship was presented to Cross Plains High School graduate, Chris Sliger, whose winning story, written in the Howard style, was published in the *Cross Plains Review* June 11.

Susan McNeel, Project Pride Secretary, presided over the evenings events that included a silent auction of REHUPA memorabilia contributed by supporters from as far away as Australia and the United Kingdom. Other officers of Project Pride were present including Margaret McNeel-President, Dorothy Petty-Vice President, Joan McCowen-Treasurer, Betty Cavanaugh, Finance, Joe Howser-Historian, Betty Lewis-Membership, Era Lee Hanke-Publicity, and Alton McCowen-Restoration. Billie Ruth Loving, Howard House Hostess, was present in spirit. Home from a sustained visit to Hendrick Medical Center, she was visited by delegations of visitors.

Howard Days

Photos Courtesy of
Charles A. Rodenberger and Era Lee Hanke

Training session on Americans with Disabilities Act is June 26

A training session on The Americans with Disabilities Act: Its Impact on Businesses and People who are Deaf or Hard of Hearing will be held from 1:00 p.m. until 5:00 p.m. Thursday, June 26 at the Texas Workforce Center located at 400 Oak Street, Suite 310 in Abilene.

The training session is sponsored by the Texas Commission for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing. The Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) is a federal disability antidiscrimination legislation. This training will focus on the responsibilities of businesses under Title I (Employment), Title II (State and Local Government), and Title III (Public Accommodations).

Randi Turner will be the presenter for the training session. Turner is the Communication Access Specialist for the Texas Commission for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing. She has worked with over 700 medical offices and hundreds of businesses assisting with information regarding the ADA, Rehabilitation Act, and the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act in regards to effective accommodations for individuals who are deaf or hard of hearing.

For more information, to request accommodations, and to RSVP, contact Phillip Smith at rs2bcsdhh@outdrs.net, voice at 677-4988, voice or TTY at 866-374,3323, or TTY at 677-1327. For directions call 325-795-4200.

2002 Drinking Water Quality Report

(Consumer Confidence Report)
(915) 893-3841
Callahan County Water Supply Corporation

Our Drinking Water Meets or Exceeds All Federal (EPA) Drinking Water Requirements

This report is a summary of the quality of the water we provide our customers. The analysis was made by using the data from the most recent U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) required tests and is presented in the attached pages. We hope this information helps you become more knowledgeable about what's in your drinking water.

En Espanol
Este reporte incluye informacion importante sobre el agua para tomar. Si tiene preguntas o discusiones sobre este reporte en espanol, favor de llamar al tel. (915) 893-3841 par hablar con una persona bilingue en espanol.

Where do we get our drinking water?

Our drinking water is obtained from Surface water sources. It comes from the following Lake/River/Reservoir/Aquifer: Abilene. TCEQ will be reviewing all of Texas' drinking water sources. The source water assessment has been completed and the report will be available this year. It allows us to focus on our source water protection activities.

Public Participation opportunities

Date: 4th Monday of each month.

Time: 7:00 P.M.

Location: 218 North Access Road of Interstate 20, Clyde, Texas

Phone Number: (915) 893-3841

Message from the EPA...

Contamination may occur as the water travels over the surface of the land, dissolving naturally occurring minerals, radioactive material, or picking up substances resulting from the presence of animals or from human activity.

"Drinking water, including bottled water, may reasonably be expected to contain at least small amounts of some contaminants. The presence of contaminants does not necessarily indicate that water poses a health risk. More information about contaminants and potential health effects can be obtained by calling the EPA'S SAFE DRINKING WATER HOTLINE (800) 426-4791.

Special Notice for the Elderly, Infants, Cancer Patients, people with HIV/AIDS or other immune problems:

Some people may be more vulnerable to chemical contaminants in drinking water than the general population. Immuno-compromised persons such as persons with cancer undergoing chemotherapy, persons who have undergone organ transplants, people with HIV/AIDS or other immune system disorders, some elderly, and infants can be particularly at risk from infections. These people should seek advice about drinking water from their health care providers. Additional guidelines on appropriate means to lessen the risk of infection by *Cryptosporidium* and other microbial contaminants are available from the EPA'S Safe Drinking Water Hotline (800-426-4791)

Definitions Maximum Contaminant

Level (MCL) The highest permissible level of a contaminant in drinking water. MCLs are set as close to the MCLGs as feasible using the best available treatment technology.

Maximum Contaminant Level Goal (MCLG) The level of a contaminant in drinking water below which there is no known or expected health risk. MCLGs allow for a margin of safety.

Treatment Technique (TT) A required process intended to reduce the level of a contaminant in drinking water.

Action Level (AL) The concentration of a contaminant which, if exceeded, triggers treatment or other requirements which a water system must follow.

NTU - Nephelometric Turbidity Units.

MFL - million fibers per liter (a measure of asbestos)

pCi/l - picocuries per liter (a measure of radioactivity)

ppm - parts per million or milligrams per liter (mg/l).

ppb - parts per billion or micrograms per liter (ug/l).

ppt - parts per trillion or nanograms per liter.

ppq - parts per quadrillion, or picograms per liter.

All drinking water may contain contaminants

When drinking water meets federal standards there may not be any health based benefits to purchasing bottled water or point of use devices.

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| Year | Constituent | Highest Level at Any Sampling Point | Range of Detected Levels | MCL | MCLG | Unit of Measure | Source of Constituent |
|------|---------------------|-------------------------------------|--------------------------|-----|------|-----------------|---|
| 2002 | Arsenic | 4.5 | 3.8000-4.5000 | 50 | 0 | ppb | Erosion of natural deposits; Runoff from orchards; Runoff from glass and electronics production wastes. |
| 2002 | Barium | 0.249 | 0.1200-0.2490 | 2 | 2 | ppm | Discharge of drilling wastes; Discharge from metal refineries; Erosion of natural deposits. |
| 2002 | Nitrate | 1.13 | 1.1300-1.1300 | 10 | 10 | ppm | Runoff from fertilizer use; Leaching from septic tanks, sewage; Erosion of natural deposits. |
| 2002 | Selenium | 13.3 | 12.9000-13.3000 | 50 | 50 | ppb | Discharge from petroleum and metal refineries; Erosion of natural deposits; Discharge from mines. |
| 2002 | Gross beta emitters | 9.1 | 9.1000-9.1000 | 50 | 0 | pci/l | Decay of natural and man-made deposits. |

Organics NOT TESTED FOR OR NOT DETECTED

Disinfection Byproducts NOT TESTED FOR OR NOT DETECTED

| Year | Constituent | Average of All Sampling Points | Range of Detected Levels | Unit of Measure | Reason for Monitoring |
|-----------|----------------|--------------------------------|--------------------------|-----------------|--|
| 2002-2002 | Dibromomethane | 1.33 | 0.0000-2.6500 | ppb | Unregulated contaminant monitoring helps EPA to determine where certain contaminants occur and whether it needs to regulate those contaminants |
| 2002-2002 | Chloroform | 56.48 | 52.4500-60.5000 | ppb | Unregulated contaminant monitoring helps EPA to determine where certain contaminants occur and whether it needs to regulate those contaminants |
| 2002-2002 | Bromoform | 50 | 50.0000-50.0000 | ppb | Unregulated contaminant monitoring helps EPA to determine where certain contaminants occur and whether it needs to regulate those contaminants |

Turbidity
Turbidity has no health effects. However, turbidity can interfere with disinfection and provide a medium for microbial growth. Turbidity may indicate the presence of disease-causing organisms. These organisms include bacteria, viruses, and parasites that can cause symptoms such as nausea, cramps, diarrhea and associated headaches.

| Year | Constituent | Highest Single Measurement | Lowest Monthly % of Samples Meeting Limits | Turbidity Limits | Unit of Measure | Source of Constituent |
|------|-------------|----------------------------|--|------------------|-----------------|-----------------------|
| 2002 | Turbidity | 0.42 NTU | 99.9% | 1 | NTU | Soil runoff. |

* TURBIDITY DATA FURNISHED BY THE WATER SYSTEM.

| Year | Constituent | The 90th Percentile | Number of Sites Exceeding Action Level | Action Level | Unit of Measure | Source of Constituent |
|------|-------------|---------------------|--|--------------|-----------------|---|
| 2001 | Copper | 0.5460 | 0 | 1.3 | ppm | Corrosion of household plumbing systems; Erosion of natural deposits; Leaching from wood preservatives. |
| 2001 | Lead | 4.6000 | 0 | 15 | ppb | Corrosion of household plumbing systems; Erosion of natural deposits. |

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Fraser Recaps Legislative Session

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Abilene Summer Arts & Crafts Festival June 21-22 at Abilene Civic Center

The 16th annual Abilene Summer Arts and Crafts Festival will be held June 21st and 22nd in the Abilene Civic Center. Exhibitors from throughout the Southwest will fill the foyer and main exhibit hall with original art, limited edition prints and hand-crafted items. Hours for the festival are Saturday from 10 am to 6 p.m. and Sunday from noon to 5 p.m. There is no admission charge.

Mel Prather, organizer for the two-day event, said the upcoming show would feature a number of newcomers to the Abilene area. "These first-time exhibitors will offer items such as finished wood work, original art, limited edition prints, jewelry, soft sculpture, original watercolors, hand-painted chairs and desks, tole painting, finished furniture, and clothing," Prather said.

Other new entries will offer embellished tee shirts, horse shoe crafts, painted candle holders and tins, yard art, hand-made frames, spice racks, truck banks, quilts, jewelry, outdoor furniture, lawn swings, decorated bird houses, ornate crosses, chip and dip mixes, handmade lotions, wrought iron art, coat

racks, tables, tee shirts, hand puppets, purses, children's clothing, candles, marble games, afghans, plastic canvas items, birdhouses, western boot jacks, custom leather work, scented rocks, floral arrangements, swags, wreaths, book bags, handmade suckers, pepper cookers, decorated wood, yard art, and beaded jewelry.

Returning exhibitors will offer a wide assortment of items, including director's chairs, silver jewelry, candy, belt buckles, bolos, Southwest jewelry, framed prints, jar candles, tole painting, painted furniture, country crafts, religious artifacts, quilts, lamps, metal sculpture, roasted nuts, clothing, stained glass, sun catchers, crystal jewelry, framed wallpaper, fishing rod holders, wood boxes and carved fish.

Others will have kitchen ceramics, canister sets, coasters, address plates, chip and dip mixes, chili mixes, scented rocks, peanut brittle, outdoor metal art, hair accessories, original jewelry, automobile replicas, decorated birdhouses, tissue holders, silk screened tee shirts, and miscellaneous items.

AUSTIN—Senator Troy Fraser, R-Horseshoe Bay, said the Texas Legislature's top accomplishments this session were passing a state budget without raising taxes and enacting legislation to reduce the cost of homeowners insurance.

"We went into the session with a \$10 billion budget shortfall, and we were able to write a budget using available revenue that lives within our means," Fraser said, referring to the \$117.4 billion two-year state budget.

"We did what most households and businesses to," he said. "When you don't have as much money coming in, you just don't spend as much." We didn't raise taxes and we were still able to take care of the neediest Texans."

Fraser, chairman of the Senate Committee on Business and Commerce, said he was also pleased with legislation he authored to help reduce the cost of insurance.

"We're making the insurance companies open up their books and show that they are charging a fair price for the products they are selling to policyholders," Fraser said. "Every insurance company doing business in the state of Texas will be subject to rate oversight by the Commissioner of Insurance who has the power to lower rates if they are too high."

Fraser noted that three major insurance bills passed:

*Senate Bill 127, which Fraser authored, requires that insurance companies promptly respond to water damage claims. The bill is aimed at preventing the spread of mold, and mold-related claims that contributed to the dramatic increase in rates over the past two years.

*House Bill 329, which Fraser sponsored in the Senate, licenses mold remediators and mold assessors.

"We had to do this to rein in the people who were taking advantage of the mold hysteria the past couple of years to make a fast buck," he said. "These were people who one day were cleaning swimming pools and overnight became mold experts. All they needed was a batch of business cards and new signs for their pickup."

*Senate Bill 14, which Fraser

Lightning Awareness Week June 22-28

Each year, about 400 children and adults in the U.S. are struck by lightning while working outside, at sports events, on the beach, mountain climbing, mowing the lawn or during other outdoor activities. About 80 people are killed and several hundred more are left to cope with permanent disabilities. Many of these tragedies can be avoided. Finishing the game, getting a tan, or completing a work shift aren't worth death or crippling injury.

The National Oceanic & Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) is recognizing June 22-28 as Lightning Awareness Week.

For more information go to www.srh.noaa.gov/sjt and click on Lightning Safety Awareness Week on the NOAA web page or call Buddy McIntyre or Hector Guerrero at 325-944-3030 or email them at: hector.guerrero@noaa.gov, buddy.mcintyre@noaa.gov

County DPS Report

Calls received by the Callahan County Department of Public Safety from June 8, 2003 through June 14, 2003 include:

Cases Investigated
Warnings—107
Complaints—102
DWI—2
Public Intoxication—1
Unlawful Carrying Firearm—1
Vehicle Accidents

There were two vehicle accidents investigated during this time span.

People Arrested On Outstanding Warrants
There were six outstanding warrants issued for a total of \$1,696.00 collected.



A SONG OF SILVER—Scott Black is shown in the town scene of the production.

Menard Presents Their Annual Ampitheater Show

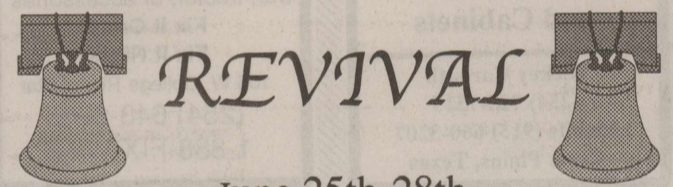
"A Song of Silver" is in its 16th season of performances. The action-packed historical musical tells the legend of the lost Bowie Mine at the Silver Ridge Ampitheater in Menard on Friday and Saturday, June 20-21.

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE

June 29, 2003, at 3:00 p.m. AAA Stowaway Storage, 1/2 mile South Highway 206, Cross Plains, Texas, pursuant to Texas Property Code, Chapter 59, will conduct a public sale to satisfy landlord's lien. Property will be sold by unit to highest bidder for cash. Clean-up and removal deposit required. Seller reserves right to withdraw property from sale. Contents to be sold include household, personal, and miscellaneous inventory of the following tenants: **Sheri Bennett and Susan Page.** 13-21c


PUBLIC NOTICE

The Cross Plains Economic Development Corporation will hold a public hearing on June 25, 2003 at 3:30 p.m. at the City Hall at 201 S. Main in Cross Plains. A public hearing concerning a proposal from "Bitter Creek Ranch", Ron Conway owner, will be held. The meeting is open to the public and anyone interested is encouraged to attend. For more information concerning the meeting, please contact City Hall at 254-725-6114. 13-11c

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Special thanks to Bro. Ronnie for his visits and the lovely message at the service. Also "thank you" to Connie for the beautiful music.

A sincere thanks to the E.M.S. and to Bob and Dee Harrell and Jerry Cassle for their thoughtfulness and caring for the family in our time of need.

To the church family, our gratitude for the lovely meal after the service.

Janette Turner
Gregg and Dannes Turner
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Mike and Denyse Turner

CARD OF THANKS

We the members of the Cross Plains Barbarian Festival Committee would like to take this opportunity to thank you so very much for your part in making the 2003 Festival a huge success.

As the Festival continues to grow each year it takes all of our volunteer efforts to accomplish this.

Thank you again for your part in making the Barbarian Festival part of "A Caring Community."

CARD OF THANKS

From the family of Dessa Higgins. We wish to thank each and everyone of you for your prayers, kind words, and your help in many other ways. All of the food and paper goods that were brought to the house. Thank you all for the wonderful meal that was prepared for us on Saturday and the beautiful flowers. She was loved by all. Thank you Charles for the beautiful message you did for our Mother and Memaw. May God Bless you all in return.

Sincere Thanks,
All Nine of Dessa's Children
and their Families

CARD OF THANKS

We would like to extend a BIG thank you to all volunteers who helped make the E.M.S. mock accident at the Barbarian Festival a huge success. First of all, thanks to Dianne Cheek, paramedic with Citizen's E.M.S., for helping organize and narrate the event. Thanks to our "victims" Lindy Cooper, Melanie Long, Bryan Bennett, and Shelly Wilson. Your acting abilities were super! Also, thanks to Justice of the Peace, Rolan Jones; Bob Harrell and the Volunteer Fire Department; and Sheriff's Deputy, Mark Geotz for giving of your time. We appreciate James Tidwell and David Clark donating the vehicles and Roylene Wilson for allowing us the use of her property. Finally, a big thanks goes to our E.M.S. members for participating and giving the community a chance to see some of the work and skills that we perform. To the community of Cross Plains, we thank you for the continued support of our valuable service. We are always in need of attendants and drivers. If interested call the E.M.S. office at 725-4350 or talk to any E.M.S. volunteer. We look forward to presenting another mock accident when time permits.

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* Fixer upper, 2bd/2 bath, frame, good landscaping, on paved street in Cross Plains, \$15,000
*Nice 3bd/1 1/2 bath, brick, CH/A, 1000 sq. ft. storage shed, car port, fenced, paved street, good neighborhood in Cross Plains. REDUCED \$48,000
* 1bd/1bath house close to school, in Rising Star, \$13,500.
* 3 bd/1 bath, 1/2 acre fenced chain link, fruit trees, in Rising Star. REDUCED \$32,500.
*4bd/2bath late model doublewide. Good lot w/trees, water well, storage building, north of city limits, approx. 1,500 sq. ft., carport CH/A. \$50,000.00

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- *Building in Cross Plains 10,000 sq. ft. \$25,000.
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Callahan County Sheriff's Possee Ranch Rodeo Results

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Saturday, June 14, 2003, The Callahan County Sheriff's Possee held their 14th annual Ranch Rodeo and Sheriff's Posse officials termed it very successful!

The summer's heat and dust were tamed by Friday's rains and with a light wind blowing, watching this year's Ranch Rodeo was "pretty cool" in more than just one sense of the phrase.

Rodeo announcer Doug Johnston introduced each of the rodeo teams, team sponsors, event sponsors and individual team members to the crowd as the rodeo kicked off with the grand entry, National Anthem and "posting of the colors." The American Flag carried by Jeff Burleson and Texas Flag carried by Mike Walker were beautiful flying around the arena on horseback. Johnny Adkins carried the Callahan County Sheriff's Posse Club Flag. Greg Clemmer, Pastor of the Cowboy Heritage Church of Clyde gave the invocation. Callahan County Sheriff Eddie Curtis was recongnized and with a wave of his hat, it was time to RODEO!

Ten, five men teams vied for the quickest times in Team Penning, Team Mugging, Team Roping and a new event Yearling Tagging. The cowboys had to retrieve a tag from the yearlings belly and run back to the judges circle.

2003 winners results are:
1st Place: "5-D" - Sponsored by Clyde Farm & Ranch Supply of Clyde were Damon Albus, Josh Allen, Tye Brown, and Kye Brannon. This team led the show with 10 points in the penning, 7 points in the branding, 10 in the mugging, 9 in the roping and 10 in the tagging for a total of 46 points overall. They also won prizes as the top team in three events. They tallied up \$500 in cash, the trophy belt buckles from Butch Nelson Farm, Ranch, Rural and Recreational Properties and Luskey's/Ryon's of Abilene, plus headstalls, reins and blankets given by the event sponsors.

2nd Place: "Broken 2" - Sponsored by Parker Funeral Home of Baird were Mel Matthews, Roger Campbell, Andy Porter, Jake Saunders and Sam Sieder. This team had 9 points in the penning, 6 in branding, 6 mugging, 9 roping and 10 tagging, for a total of 37 points. They won new ropes for first place in the team roping event.

3rd Place: "Spur Cattle Co" - Sponsored by Cedar Furniture and More of Coleman, Texas, Bill and Rhonda Knox. Kyle Clement, Dunn Clement, Roan Clement, Chick Wilfong and Cody Edwards. This team had 6 points penning, 9 branding, 7 mugging, 4 roping and 9 tagging for a total of 31 points.

4th Place: "Parachuting

Cattle Company" - Sponsored by the Callahan County Veterinary Clinic. Casey Walton, Cody Walton, Tyson Broadfoot, Kim Walton and Justin Hollis. They had 8 points penning, 0 branding, 5 mugging, 8 roping and 5 tagging for a total of 26 points.

5th Place: P & W Cattle Company - Sponsored by the 1st National Bank of Baird. Jack Pruet, Marshal Green, Sonny Pate, Brazos Wilfong and Tate Wilfong. They had 0 in penning, 8 branding, 8 mugging, 6 roping and 2 tagging for a total of 24 points.

6th Place: "The Callahan Unwantseds" - Sponsored by Franklin RV Center of Clyde. Dean Bowen, Gary Bowen, David Collins, Andy Bowen and Keith Edwards. They had 7 points in penning, 5 branding, 1 mugging, 3 roping, and 7 tagging for a total of 23 points.

7th Place: "Gerngross & Company" - Sponsored by Hanner Chevrolet Pontiac GMC of Baird. Jody Gerngross, Jason Gerngross, Bay Kirkum, Lanham Home and Barry Holmann. They had 0 penning, 10 branding, 4 mugging, 5 roping, 3 tagging for a total of 22 points. This team also won 1st place in the Branding event and went home with new halters and lead ropes courtesy of the event sponsors.

8th Place: "Double X Ranch" - Sponsored by Thrifty's Food Mart & DQ of Clyde. Paul Holton, Buck Campbell, Corey Carruth, Ronald Majors and Brad Faircloth. This team had 4 points penning, 4 branding, 2 mugging, 2 roping and 8 tagging for a total of 20 points.

9th Place: "Johnson's Bunch" - Sponsored by Metal Mart of Clyde. Brad Johnson, Will Martin, Shawn Askew, Brian McBride and Johnny Gann. They had 5 points penning, 0 branding, 9 mugging, 1 roping and 0 tagging for a total of 15 points.

10th Place: "Palmer's Crew" - Sponsored by Peoples State Bank of Clyde. Michael Palmer, Randy Ross, Ronnie Welch, Duane Farr and Charlie Palmer. This team had 0 points in penning, 0 branding, 3 mugging, 7 roping and 4 tagging for a total of 14 points.

As you can see by the totals there was some stiff competition in this rodeo and some pretty tough cowboys!

Spread through the rodeo were some events—just for kids. The six and under boot race stole the show, as tiny cowboys and cowgirls had to run to a pile of boots and retrieve their matching footwear. The 1st place winner was Brock Faircloth of Clyde, 2nd place Sam Hale of Wingate and 3rd place was Gage Johnson of Baird. Winner of the seven to nine year old boot race was Barrett

Ancinec of Clyde, 2nd was Chase Allen of Potosi and 3rd was Delani Albus of Abilene.

In the Goat Ribbon race for ten to twelve year olds, a goat was turned loose in the arena sporting a ribbon on his tail. The idea was for the miniature cowboys and cowgirls to see who could be fastest at retrieving that ribbon. What should have been a race ended in a "kid-pile" with about fifteen cowboys and cowgirls piling on that not so speedy little goat, but John Edwards of Baird was the first cowboy back across the line with that pink ribbon in his hand!

The last event of the evening was a Wild Steer Saddling. Three men teams had to saddle a haltered steer and ride it to the middle of the arena. Two teams were entered in this event, Garrett Poole, Brandon Gibbs and Cole Ward comprised one team while Roan Clement, Brazos Wilfong and Tate Wilfong were the other. Officials called it a draw and gave both teams their entry fees back when both steers crossed the line with their riders on board! The guys put on a quite a show getting those steers to cross the line.

Extra special thanks to Citizens EMS, Lonnie Broadus and Daniel Vinson. This unit is something you hope and pray you'll never need, but when in need, it's wonderful to have them right there ready to help.

Thanks to Bill Hammack of Bowie and Archie Akers of Clyde for judging the events. Rodeo announcer, Doug Johnston did a great job keeping the fans both entertained and informed on arena action while Karen helped with the books.

The Rodeo Dance was great, thanks to "CrossCountry", of Clyde. Joni Dodson, Tommy Dodson and Don Ray. This band was wonderful to listen to as well as "scoot a boot!"

Thanks to all the event sponsors who gave the prizes for the 1st place event winners, JL Cattle Company Wagon, Johnny & Leonna Adkins; Wit's End Tea Room, Juanita Wooten and Anita Mays; Big Country Dodge of Clyde; Tally's Convenience Store, Tally and Deanna Windham; and Edward Jones Investments, Neil Shultz.

Thanks to Bulldog Steel who sponsored the kids events, Butch Nelson Farm, Ranch, Rural & Recreational Properties of Abilene & Luskey's/Ryon's of Abilene for the trophy belt buckles. Callahan County Farmer's Cooperative for use of the panels for the team penning, and West Texas Veterinary Supply of Abilene.

"BIG THANKS" to a fantastic arena crew: Stuart Bell, Walt Tollet, Troy Knowles, Josh Spencer, R.C. Smith, Jeremy Spencer, Jarett Knowles, and Zack Green for their help in getting the arena ready for the

rodeo during the past few weeks and keeping the cattle pushed up and ready during the events.

Thank you to John Windham for Dozer work, Templeton Equipment for use of equipment on the grounds, MLW Walker Farms of Rowden for equipment, NF Cattle Company of Baird for equipment, Keith Edwards electrical work and Jeff Burleson Welding of Baird for lots of Welding.

Most important, for without their help this rodeo could not be produced. An "Extra Big" "Thank You" to all the area Ranchers and Cowboys, who so generously supply the livestock for the rodeo each year. Benton, Craig and Jack Pruet of Baird, Dean Bowen of Baird, Jake Woods of Abilene, Johnny Adkins of Eula, Mike Walker of Rowden, Jeff Burleson of Baird and to all the wonderful people who work so hard each year to make the rodeo happen (Katie, Terri, Leonna, Anita, Lyn, Mike, Jeff, Johnny, Stuart, Walt, David M., Josh, Karen, Keith, Emalie, Jarett, Troy, R.C., David C., Doug, Cathy, Daryl, Dean, Gary, Zack, & Jeremy. Brenda Moore and the "Keep Baird Beautiful" Team, Joe Ramos and Teri Stevens) you all know who you are!

"Thank You!" Look for another Ranch Rodeo coming up in the fall, probably sometime in October when its cooler and the grounds and bleachers are in better shape.

Callahan County is rich in Western Heritage. Cowboys and Ranching were the heart of this County not so long ago and it has long been famous for the quality of its rodeos! Let's not let that Legacy die! LET'S RODEO!

Annual Red, White and Blue Fund-raiser Scheduled for June 27

Please join us at the Cross Plains Community Center for a fun evening on Friday, June 27, as we raise money to help defray our operating costs. The evening will begin with another great Spaghetti Dinner, with all the trimmings, served up by the Sisters of Beta Sigma Phi. Dinner tickets are \$6.00 for adults, \$3.00 for kids 12 and under, and take-out orders will be available. All dinner proceeds help support BSP's many public service projects, and tickets can be purchased at the Library, Chamber of Commerce or from any BSP member.

To support the Library, a Silent Auction will begin at 5:30 p.m. and the Live Auction will start at 7:00 p.m. A sampling of auction items include an ECHO gas trimmer, State Fair tickets, a round of golf, 2 quarters of home-grown beef, a porch swing,

a security system for home or business, gift certificates from your favorite businesses and many more items, large and small. You're sure to find something for sale you just can't live without, and—who knows? You might get a real bargain!

With State funding way down this year, your Library is struggling to stay afloat. We hope you can join us Friday evening, June 27, for a delicious dinner, an evening of great fun, a chance to win door prizes, and the satisfaction of helping a Library that offers its many services free to everyone.

And speaking of free...don't forget that when you buy raffle tickets for the two mixed quarters of beef, you get one (1) free with the purchase of 5, 5 free with the purchase of 20, and 20 free with the purchase of 100!


Submitted by Sharon Parr

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FDIC issues removal & prohibition order against former Texas banker

The Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC) has issued a removal and prohibition order against Robert E. Holden.

Holden was an officer and a manager at the Rising Star branch of The Peoples State Bank, Clyde, TX.

Holden consented to the order without admitting or denying culpability. The FDIC's action is based on allegations that, between 1999 and 2001, Holden made fraudulent loans, made unauthorized withdrawals from customers' accounts, and misapplied loan payments.

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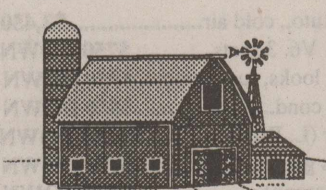
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