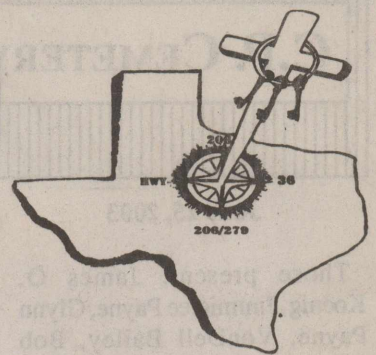


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## DOWN HOME

**EDITOR'S NOTE:** Annie Merle Gray Trent submitted the following poem that was first published in 1948 by *Valiant House Publishers*. Considering the vast number and massive size of mosquitos presently dealt with, everyone can relate to this writing. If you try to stay outside late in the evening you know all about these flying critters. I've heard that if you take a Bounce fabric softener sheet (maybe any brand???) and run it over your arms, legs, etc. it will keep the mosquitos away. I wished I had one at the Cowboy Reunion Rodeo at Stamford the other night. If the wind hadn't started blowing we would have been in trouble.

I was explaining to my eldest granddaughter, Tatym (age 7 years), who is staying the week with me, that God has a recycling process for everything concerning plants and animals, etc. I'm sure there was a very good reason for the existence of mosquitos, but personally I am unaware of such. If anyone knows the facts, give me a call. Tatym has a quick mind and she will be interested in knowing, too.

Thanks Annie Merle for helping us cope with this common problem with a touch of humor. **Vanda Anderson Creech**

"Nightmare"

By Annie Merle Gray Trent

From under my dresser to over my head,  
He hides in my closet and under my bed.  
He glides easily along through the air,  
As he buzzes and waits, he's my greatest nightmare.  
He whistles so shrilly in obvious glee,  
As he lurks in a corner or waits over me.  
I give him a swat and he's off like a breeze;  
Though he's now a mile off, I can still hear him wheeze.  
How can I escape that eternal pest?  
What's worse'n a mosquito to spoil your sweet rest?

## Cross Cut Reunion to be held Sunday, July 20

The annual Cross Cut Reunion will be held Sunday, July 20th, at the Cross Plains Community Center. All alumni, friends and family are invited to attend this event, as we enjoy a covered dish luncheon and silent auction followed by the annual business meeting of the Cross Cut Cemetery Association.

Lunch is at noon but the doors will be open at 9:00 a.m. for those wanting to drop off their covered dishes and/or items for the silent auction. Please call Chris or Jerry Biggerstaff at (254) 725-4189 for more information or to be placed on the mailing list.

## Pioneer Cemetery Association Announces Historical Marker, Pavilion, Signs and Gates

Several members of the community met June 30, at the Pioneer Community building. Purpose of the meeting was to review the bids for the pavilion and to review the wording for the historical marker.

The cemetery, located on Highway 36 in southwestern Eastland County, was established in 1879 and has important historical significance.

The bid on the pavilion was accepted by an overwhelming vote. Mr. Eddie Strickland will begin work as soon as possible on the pavilion.

Mrs. Wanda Nelson read the information for the historical marker and it was an unanimous decision to accept it as read. The marker will read as follows:

Settlement began in southwest Eastland County after the Civil War. The town was established in 1883, and named Pioneer at the suggestion of Captain A.M. Curry.

The 1880 census lists thirty enrolled in the Pioneer School. The Pioneer High School consolidated with the Cross Plains School District in 1945. The Elementary School consolidated in 1949.

In 1885 a post office was granted. It closed in the 1950s. The railroad came through Pioneer in 1910. It was removed in the 1940s.

The Pioneer Oil Boom of the 1920s has an important place in the Pioneer history. In 1925 there were an estimated 20,000

people in the Pioneer area. The Phillips Petroleum Plant was built during this time. It was closed in the 1950s.

Mrs. S.A. Briggs was the first person buried in the Pioneer Cemetery (1879). Later Mrs. W.R. (Seacy) Bowden and her two infant children were buried in the same grave (1883). These graves are marked with gravestones. It is believed the first land for the cemetery was donated by the Browning Family. As space was needed others donated land.

Veterans of wars from the Civil War through the Vietnam War are buried here. A War Memorial was erected in 1948 by the Pioneer Quilting Club. The names of those who gave their lives in World War I and II are listed here.

The Cherokee Indian Nation gave permission to place their seal on the gravestone of Catherine Martin, O'Neal, Lovett (1828-1919). Catherine was in the Trail of Tears march from Georgia to Oklahoma when she was ten years old.

The Pioneer Historical Association was formed in 1971. A perpetual care trust fund was established with donations to insure the upkeep of the cemetery. This trust fund was then chartered by the State of Texas May 16, 1993.

The committee for the gate sign are still gathering bids and will present their bids at a later time. Anyone wishing to make donations to the special building fund (the pavilion) may do so by

contacting Jo Veda Watson, Secretary/Treasurer, HC Post 75 Box 11, Brownwood, Texas 76801 or deposit directly to Texas Heritage Bank, Cross Plains, designating it for Pioneer Cemetery Building Fund. Any contribution for the historical marker or the gate, just make this known by designating your gift and deposit in the regular Pioneer Cemetery Fund.

Cemetery Board Members expressed sincere appreciation to community members for their attendance and support. Appreciation for the committees who have worked getting all the bids, collecting all the information, and supplying photos. The community felt this was work well done. The following people were on said committees:

**Pavilion Committee:** Thomas Flippin, Jessie Reddick, Bobby McCowen

**Historical Marker Committee:** Wanda and Don Nelson

**Sign and Gate Committee:** Jim Fleming, Kenneth Brooks and Bill Watson

Refreshments were served to the following community members and guests: Tom and Wanda Flippin, Jessie Reddick, James Alexander, Earlene Burge, Roxie and Joe Phillips, Don and Wanda Nelson, Laverne Hutton, Kenneth Brooks, Jim Fleming, Jo Veda Watson, Viola Hutson, Jim and Ida McCowen, and Rose Lee Melton.

## Chamber of Commerce Banquet Set for next Saturday, July 19th

The Cross Plains Chamber of Commerce will hold its annual banquet on Saturday, July 19, at 6:30 p.m. The guest speaker for this event will be former resident, Toody Byrd.

Toody Byrd retired in 1991 as Director of Guidance and Student Services for the Eanes Independent School District in Austin, where she had worked as a counselor for twenty years, to pursue a post-retirement career of speaking and consulting work throughout the country.

She has been a keynote speaker for statewide conventions in

thirty-five different states, is an active writer, and is a member of numerous professional organizations and councils.

Her numerous awards include the American School Counselors Writing Award, the 1981 Outstanding Counselor of Texas, the 1983 Carl Brett Award for Outstanding Contribution to the Field of Education by the College of Education at the University of Texas at Austin, and the 1989 Presidential Award for the Texas Association of Counseling and Development. The 71st Legislature of the State of Texas desig-

nated Toody Byrd as a State Treasure.

The banquet will be catered by Lemons' Bar-B-Q of Brownwood, and the menu includes brisket, sausage and chicken with all the trimmings. Tickets are \$10.00. More information about the banquet will follow in the newspaper as the banquet approaches.

If you have questions or wish to purchase tickets, please call the Chamber office at (254) 725-7251. Tickets are also available at the City Hall and Texas Heritage Bank.

## RCS Grant Writing Seminar scheduled for July 17 in Abilene

RCS Grant Writing Systems will be holding their 6-hour seminar entitled "The Joy of Writing Grants" in Abilene at 9:00 a.m. at the Ambassador Suites (4250 Ridgmont Dr.) Thursday, July 17th.

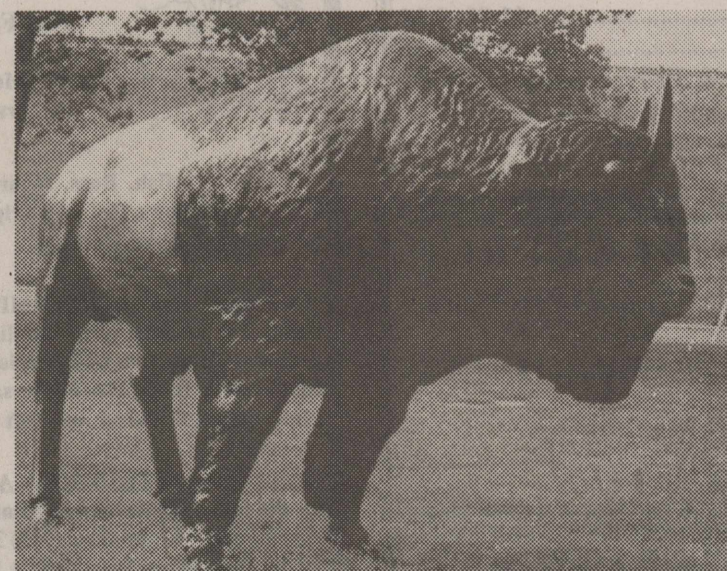
The system they teach has been instructed across the country and has been very well received. Many graduates have gone back and are now bringing in thousands of grant dollars to their communities.

The seminar is open to

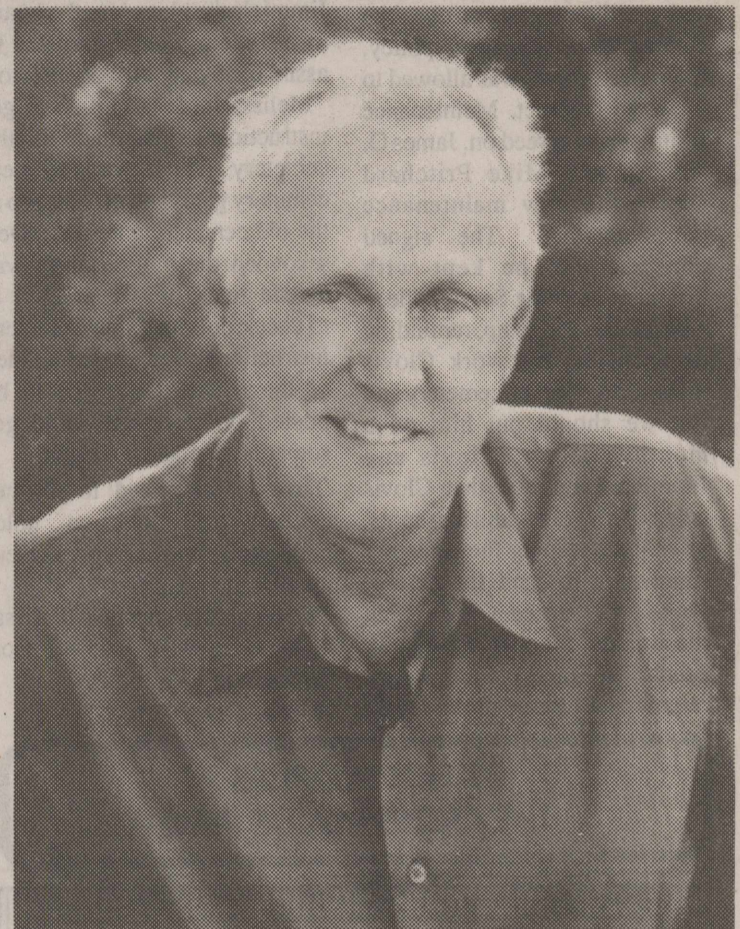
municipal/county workers, as well as school teachers/administrators and non-profit employees.

There is a registration fee and group rates are available. Call toll free 1-888-829-0837 to reserve a seat or to obtain further information.

**Editor's Note:** Anyone within your readership who mentions your newspaper when registering will receive a significant discount on registration fees. **Vanda Anderson Creech**



**PLEASE SUPPORT PURCHASING THE BUFFALO — Donations are needed for the large-as-life statue (cost \$1,500) that will stand in front of Cross Plains High School. Send your donations to Texas Heritage Bank P.O. Box 699, Cross Plains, TX 76443—Cross Plains Ex-Student Buffalo Fund—Account #19-010-1.**



DON GRAHAM

## Meet the Author Don Graham July 15 at the Cross Plains Community Center

On Tuesday evening, July 15, 7:00 p.m., at the Cross Plains Community Center, the Friends of the Cross Plains Library are pleased to present Don Graham, whose most recent book is *Kings of Texas: The 150-year Saga of an American Ranching Empire*. Just about everyone would like to know more about the famous King Ranch, and here's a grand opportunity.

Don Graham grew up in north central Texas, so he has a natural interest in and affection for all things Texan. Now the J. Frank Dobie Regents Professor of American and English Literature at University of Texas, Graham is an accomplished speaker and teacher who has devoted his career to the study of Texas and Texan culture. Graham has written widely on his favorite subject, with his work appearing frequently in *Texas Monthly*, where he is Writer-at-Large. For many years, he taught a course in Western movies, one result of which was his book *Cowboys and Cadillacs: How Hollywood Looks at Texas*. He is also the author of *No Name on the Bullet*: Bank.

*A Biography of Audie Murphy.*

*Kings of Texas* is a result of a long and diligent research into the history of South Texas and the story of the King Ranch, from its founding to the present day Chapman/Coker lawsuit. Graham says of his research methods: "My approach is to look at everything I can find. This has always been my approach. There is nothing like first-hand accounts, letters, documents, collateral accounts during the era under study, memoirs, etc. What I really love are depositions, statements made under oath."

As always, everyone is welcome and there is no charge to attend. Light refreshments will be served after Dr. Graham speaks, and he will be available to visit and sign books.

You may call the Library at (254) 725-7722 if you need directions to the Community Center.

Submitted by Ginny Hoskins

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**C.P. CEMETERY ASSOCIATION**  
By Melissa Richards

June 25, 2003

Those present: James O. Koenig, Jimmielee Payne, Glynn Payne, VonDell Bailey, Bob Harrell, Clovis Simons, Robert Simons, Jerry Cassle, Mike Pritchard, Debbie Gosnell, Rolan Jones and Melissa Richards.

Melissa read minutes from the previous meeting.

Jimmielee discussed with Mike Pritchard maintenance duties and requirements. Mr. Pritchard and the directors went over the contract for maintenance policy. Everyone present was allowed to view the contract. Maintenance contract was agreed on. James O. Koenig and Mike Pritchard signed the new maintenance policy contract. The signed contract will be kept with Pritchard Mowing Service file.

Jimmielee spoke up, reminding us about all the work Clovis Simons does for the cemetery and felt we should put him on a monthly salary. Clovis and Jimmielee reported that Clovis helps fill in graves and low spots, as well as keeping the cemetery supplied with sand for fill-ins. James O. asked Clovis what reasonable fee per month he needs to take on the duties, removing flowers from recent

funerals, and making sure headstones set by out-of-town companies are set in their correct locations. Clovis stated he was thinking of \$100.00 per month. Jimmielee made a motion and Glynn seconded the motion to pay Clovis the sum of \$100 per month (contract labor) starting on the first of July 2003. Vote carried. Clovis is to be paid on the 1st of every month.

It was decided by the board to allow VonDell Bailey to take Jimmielee's place on the board as a director, and Jimmielee to assume the duty of Plot Director.

Melissa made a motion to get instructional signs made for the cemetery and put two at the new cemetery gates and at least two at the old cemetery gates. VonDell seconded the motion. This was agreed upon by all. James O. is to check out the Talpa Cemetery instructional sign and get an idea of the notice that needs to be posted on our signs, and get someone to make the signs.

James O. suggested to put the purchase of lots on hold indefinitely, and this was agreed upon by the majority.

James O. commended Melissa for the extra work done in honor of Memorial Day 2003. Meeting adjourned.

**OBITUARY**

**Leona Mae Hopkins**  
Leona Mae Hopkins, 75, of Brownwood, passed away Thursday, July 3, 2003, at her residence.

Her body was donated to Texas Tech for medical research and a memorial service is pending at a later date. Arrangements were made by Stevens Funeral Home.

Leona Mae Hopkins was born May 28, 1928 in Rogers County, Oklahoma and was a daughter of Lee W. and Leona Johns Abel. She was married to Orvil Lee Hopkins on May 9, 1980 in Nowata, Oklahoma and he preceded her in death on July 25, 1998.

She moved to Cross Plains in 1994 and lived in Coleman for a short time while her husband was a resident at Holiday Hill. She moved to Brownwood about a year ago. While living in Coleman she attended Jesus Saves Ministries and at the time of her death was a member of Living Water Ministries in Cross Plains. She had been employed for many years as a waitress.

Survivors include one sister and brother-in-law, May and Dean Brannan of Pioneer; one brother, Kenneth Abel of Bransdell, Oklahoma; numerous nieces and nephews; great-nieces and great-nephews.

Memorial may be made to the American Cancer Society or the American Lung Association.

**Monthly Cisco Ladies' Salad Supper and Prayer Meeting**

The monthly Cisco Ladies' Salad Supper and Prayer Meeting will be hosted at the Assembly of Yahweh (7th day) on July 28th at 6:30p.m. The church is located 10 miles south of Cisco across from the Romney Cemetery. The special speaker for the meeting will be Glenda Garrison, a licensed minister, from Weatherford, Texas. She works with a pregnancy crisis center there. Mrs. Garrison spoke at a gathering at the First Christian Church last May is returning by

popular demand. All ladies of the area are welcome to bring a salad and to bring a friend.

The Cisco Ladies' Salad Supper and Prayer Meeting was started almost two years ago when friends from different churches decided to start meeting once a month for a time of fellowship and prayer for the community, the county, the state, and our nation. The meetings rotate among several churches in the Cisco Area; any church is welcome to host a meeting.

**LETTER TO THE EDITOR**

Dear Vanda,

I'm so sorry that I've waited so long to thank you for not only publishing my poem that Andrew Walker submitted, but also for the wonderful way you did it and your comments!

Thank you for the wonderful way you handle the "Down Home" column. We all love the Review.

Vanda, I'd love to see you now. You were a cute little girl. How we loved the Atwood family! We lived in Granny Sally Atwood's house down the road a little and across from Ben and Loma in the early 50s.

Tell Wanda "Hello" for me. I'd love to see her, too!

Love,  
Annie Merle Trent

**Rep. Hilderbran named to School Finance Committee**

AUSTIN—Representative Harvey Hilderbran, R-Kerrville, was appointed to serve on the Select Committee on Public School Finance. The committee is studying the state's tax structure and its public school finance system with a goal of completely revamping the state's tax code and its method of funding schools.

The process will likely abolish "Robin Hood", the existing method of funding schools, which could be found unconstitutional after the Supreme Court has determined that several school districts that have sued the state over the plan may pursue their lawsuits.

Representative Hilderbran will serve on the Employee Benefits/Compensation Subcommittee. The subcommittee will examine and make recommen-

dations pertaining to the state's role in providing compensation to school district employees, including health insurance and salary schedules.

"I am very pleased that Speaker Craddick chose to put me on this committee. Insurance and compensation for school district employees are issues that weigh heavily on the minds of many of my constituents," Hilderbran said. "Any change to the system must be evaluated on how it affects our teachers and school district employees."

Representative Hilderbran serves District 53 in the Texas House of Representatives which includes Callahan, Coleman, Concho, Crockett, Llano, Kerr, Kimble, Mason, McCulloch, Menard, Real, Runnels, San Saba and Sutton counties.

**The 67th Woody Reunion Set for July 12-13**

On Saturday, July 12, the Woody family will meet at Ethel Champion's house at 5:00 p.m. Sunday, July 13, they will meet at the Cottonwood Community Center in Cottonwood, Texas. The building will open at 9:30 a.m. Sunday for an all day gathering.

**Coleman Musical Cancelled**

Dub Meador would like to inform area music lovers that the Coleman Musical, held at 401 East College in Coleman, has been cancelled on a permanent basis. He expressed his appreciation to those who attended in the past.

**LIBRARY NOTES**

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"When Everything Goes Wrong"

## PIONEER NEWS

Our last quilting day was held on Tuesday. Laverne Hutton's "Southern Lady" quilt was finished. It is the last quilt to be quilted by the club before dismissing for the summer. Those helping Laverne were Lessie Baum, Lou Grider, Earlene Burge and Olena Ezzell. Glenda Phillips came by for a while. The quilting was almost done by noon. Tuesday afternoon Sandy Hutton finished the quilt and brought it to Laverne. Now to get it hemmed! Thanks to all who returned to help finish the quilt. Thanks to Jean Alexander and May Jones, who came on Friday to quilt on the "Lady". This is one of the most beautiful quilts you can ever find. It is made from pieces of Laverne's mother's (Mrs. Dean) materials and scraps. Hopefully you will get to see it in our Quilt Show that will be in October.

Sunday, June 29th, thirty-six members of the Hutton Family attended worship services with Cowan and Laverne at Rising Star. After services, forty members of their family gathered at Cowan and Laverne's house for a hot dog picnic in the yard under the live oak trees. It was a joyful, happy day. All 16 of their great-grandchildren were present. Warren and Tomoko Parson and children, Tylor and Chelsea, were here from Germany; Travis Parson from Florida, who recently returned from Iraq; Matt and Lisa Hutton from Savannah, Georgia; Tamara Young and children, Racheal and Reagan of Gardendale; and Brandy Hutton

of Galveston were all with their grandparents. All others attending live in this area.

Friday, the 4th of July, Warren, Tomoko and children, Tylor and Chelsea, visited Cowan and Laverne Hutton. They will soon be returning to Germany. Laverne attended Danny and Trish's family firework display that night with all their family, along with Lynn and Pam Hutton. James and Jean Alexander's grandsons, Jack and Will, spent the 4th of July weekend with them. They did some work around the farm. They had a great firework display that night. May Jones joined them. Jack's friend, Rick from Abilene, also visited on the 4th and enjoyed the fireworks.

Jim Fleming told me about a field of Blue Bells (wild flowers) around their home place and James Alexander's pasture. The Blue Bells are native to the cliche', seepy hillsides of Texas. The flowers can be kept a long time when cut. A long time ago, people used them for funerals because they stayed fresh for so long after cutting. Jim tells me that the Japanese have developed a white variety of these flowers. Thanks, Jim, for the information. Don't forget the game night this Thursday. Come on out for some fun.

If you want to have any news you want to put in the paper this summer, please put it in my little mailbox on my porch. Thanks.

**Words of Wisdom:** *Failure is the opportunity to begin again more intelligently.*

## RISEING STAR NURSING CENTER

We all had so much fun at the parade on the 4th of July in Rising Star. Thank You to Willard Alexander for the use of the trailer. Thanks to Steve and Diana White for the extra comfortable hay bales and to Jarrod Hoggett for heading up the decorating committee. If you saw us in the parade, then you know that the residents on the float were: Roby Kornegay, Pauline Switzer,

Willy Wilson, Jack Smith and Violet Johnston.

Tim Dillard of Tim's Floral and Gifts of Cross Plains brought over some beautiful patriotic flower arrangements for each resident's room. Thanks Tim.

Please keep residents, Roby Kornegay, Clifford King and Myrtle Hoggett, in your prayers as they are in the hospital.

## SENIOR CITIZENS MENU

JULY 14 - 18

**MONDAY** - Salmon Patty, Pickled Beets, Broccoli Normandy, Pudding, Bread, Milk

**TUESDAY** - Homemade Vegetable Soup, Pimento Cheese Sandwich, Peach Cobbler, Crackers, Milk

**WEDNESDAY** - Roast w/gravy,

Carrots, Potatoes, Cake, Roll, Milk

**THURSDAY** - Sloppy Joe w/ bun, Pea Salad, Potato Wedges, Onion/Pickles, Cookie, Milk

**FRIDAY** - Pinto Beans & Ham, Coleslaw, Pears, Cheesecake, Cornbread, Milk

## COTTONWOOD NEWS

By WALLACE BENNETT

### Independence Day Celebration Challenges World Terrorism on the Battlefield of Ideas

Everyone who participated in the July 4th Independence Day Celebration at the Cottonwood Community Center did a fabulous job and deserves a loud ring of the Liberty Bell in their honor.

There were too many to name individually within the confines of this column. If you could not make it to the celebration, you would probably enjoy a report from someone who did, so ask around.

The next time you see Herman "H.D." Weaver, ask him to recite his newest poem "I'm Your Flag". He wrote it just for this occasion and presented it as only a true poet could.

His poem recalls the threats to American democracy over the past 227 years and reverberates throughout with the triumphant response Americans have made to each attack. It is, indeed, inspirational and patriotic, and challenges us to a new respect for the "Stars and Stripes of America"; evokes from us a new "Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America and to the Republic for which it stands."

### Cottonwood Calendar

Please set your calendar and minds on these events to happen in Cottonwood during July 2003. The Cottonwood Quilters will meet on the 10th, 15th and 24th of this month. The Cottonwood Volunteer Fire Unit will meet on July 17th. And don't forget the congregations of the Church of Christ and the Baptist Church (Methodists meet at First United Methodist Church in Cross Plains) meet every single Sunday

and offer the best opportunity for each Cottonwood citizen to get acquainted with neighbors and worship God together.

The Cottonwood Baptist Church has scheduled a work day for this coming Saturday at 9:00 a.m. Wear your work clothes, bring your gloves and cleaning supplies, and join in on the fun.

Also be alerted to the upcoming 50th Anniversary Celebration of the Cottonwood Quilting Club to be observed on August 16th. Mark your calendar NOW and help us honor this Cottonwood institution for all they do for the Cottonwood Community. They are the greatest group of volunteers in sight, especially in the big country.

### Cottonwood Historical - Awaiting News of Historical Marker

A request from the Cottonwood Historical Association, formerly known as the Cemetery Association, for a Texas Historical Marker for the old Cottonwood Cemetery was re-submitted several months ago and is now in the hands of the Texas Historical Commission, a group not known for their quickness of action. So, it is no surprise that no news from them has arrived.

Some members of the Board of Directors are trying to compile a roster of Veterans buried in the two Cottonwood Cemeteries. So if you know of Veterans of the National Military Service who are buried in either of the cemeteries, you are requested to call Beverly Brown (254) 725-7369 or Wallace Bennett (254) 725-7474.

(Please call Wallace Bennett at (254) 725-7474 of any news items or personal events.)

## BURKETT NEWS

Sallie Nanny, Cade and Kloie of Llano visited Bill and Addie Walker last week.

Mary Grayson of West Purl, OR, and Cecil Troub of Ozark, AZ, visited Fred and Lorene Purcell. They are Lorene's brother and sister.

Linda Brady, Sec-Treas., of the Burkett-Adams Cemetery Association reports more donations received:

Mildred Harlow - \$50; Alice Edington - \$100; M/M Raymond Turnbow - \$50; Bernice Sultenfuse - \$25; Tommy Webb - \$50; M/M C.W. Golson - \$150; Lanette Burns - \$50; Velma and Ester Byers - \$50; Mary Martin - \$50; Russell Gould - \$35; Sam Porter - \$25; Donald and Kathy Tinney - \$50; Arthur and Wanda Boyle - \$25; Phil Cowan - \$100; Bob and Karen (Holmons) Magee - \$20; Royce and Jean Cox - \$50; M/M Michael Sheedy - \$50; Billy Miller - \$10; A.B. Harris Jr. - \$25; Gwen Manuel - \$25; Roy Biehl - \$50.

Many thanks for all the donations received. They go for the upkeep of the cemeteries.

## GARDEN TIPS

By JAMES NICHOLS

### Reblooming Irises

Irises have come a long way from the simple Irises. Iris pallid, sometimes fondly called "Grandma's Flags", that were grown in so many gardens 60 or more years ago.

The least demanding of all perennial plants, irises are undergoing a radical transformation regarding color, flower forms and reblooming.

Now days there are Irises that achieve heights of two and half to four feet tall to add vertical color and sculpture to leaves for the garden landscape. These extra-vigorous plants bloom in spring sometimes as much as a week or more earlier than standard bearded Irises, and they will bloom again in the summer and fall sometimes as many as five times a year.

You can harvest flowering stalks as late as November. If you are an Iris lover, this may be a good way to update your garden.

## QUIPS, CLIPS & COMMENTS

By KAY MOSLEY

**Note:** Is everyone enjoying their vacation? The weather has been generally nice, some days too warm but otherwise just beautiful. Some days we have had some rain but just enough to keep you interested. Can't complain though, 'cause if I do, the weather might get worse, and I sure don't want that.

### "Down Memory Lane"

Let's just reminisce a bit, just for fun of course!

In the 1940's before we were old enough to attend school; we loved to play make believe. Did we ever invent words and coin phrases in the process! One particular phrase comes to mind: PLAKE WE! Do you know what that phrase refers? It's a kind of mixed up jargon for—play like we—and a kind of kid's way of saying "Make believe we—". We, being girls liked to play house. Under the shade trees was a great place for this activity. First we would take the hoe and scrape the area we chose for our house.

We would then mark off and place small stones or marbles; outlining our area as well as outlining each individual room. In these individual rooms, we often made mud pies, dirt biscuits, four o'clock or morning glory salads. While we were busy cooking up all these goodies, our doll babies slept in their own room nestled in their little doll bed that Daddy or Grandad fashioned from scrap lumber and thrice used nails.

Another fun activity we engaged in, at about age 8 to 10, was "playing" dress-up in old clothes discarded often by Grandma, or the aunts, etc., plus some old formal gowns once owned by the cousins or the neighbors and other bric-a-brac, beads, scarves,

old stocking, etc. collected and reserved just for this purpose. We could really create some unusual costumes and wearing apparel with these well worn and once glamorous frocks. Mama called them riggins, as i.e.: "You kids better get in there and pull off those riggins and get some shorts on, it's almost time to go!"

I mean we had many great times playing dress-up with friends, cousins, etc. We played like (pretended) to date more stars, win more beauty contest, marry kings, princes, put on stage shows, capture Al Capone (that was BEFORE Geraldo Riviera hunted Al Capone's treasures--on camera), and all sorts of make believe adventures.

Other times we'd be in the jungle with Tarzan and lions, monkeys, tigers and leopards. Many times we played at living in the Old West, having gunfights with Indians, meeting such famous cowboy stars as Roy Rogers, Gene Autry, Lash LaRue, Wild Bill Hickok, Rex Allen, Hop-A-Long Cassidy, to name just a few. After seeing a movie about Jesse James, we even worked him into our western flavored pretending at times.

Mother and daddy both worked, and we fixed lunch (when we didn't burn it), and they came home for lunch. We lived in Baird at the time. I remember Mama telling in later years that one day they came home for lunch and my sister and I were playing that we were in this saloon out west with some particular folks. As Mama and Daddy came in, my sister and I were already seated at the table. When they started to sit down for lunch, we started screaming "No, no don't sit there! You'll be sitting on Roy Rogers!"

LUNCH ANYONE?????

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Another thing that it's very difficult for some people to do is to be humble. As one person said, "It's hard to be humble when you're so good looking, rich and smart"! Well, that person had the same basic problem that the Pharisee of Jesus' parable recorded in Luke 18:9-14 had — which He directed toward "some who were confident of their own righteousness and looked down on everybody else."

Please read the above mentioned text and determine to have the attitude and practice the actions of the humble tax collector who pleaded with God, "Have mercy on me, a sinner." Jesus said that this man, rather than the one who "prayed," "God, I thank You that I am not like all other men..." — that "went home justified before God."

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## How to get on Do Not Call Registry

Several readers of the Cross Plains Review have reported difficulty in registering for the National Do Not Call Registry from a phone number listed in the newspaper recently. The correct registration telephone number is 1-888-382-1222.

The incorrect telephone number appearing in the newspaper for the National Do Not Call Registry came from Representative Charlie Stenholm's office.

Consumers can register via computer by visiting [www.donotcall.gov](http://www.donotcall.gov). Using this method, the telephone number to be protected and an email address for confirmation purposes must be provided.

Texas will not share the numbers on its existing state do not call list with the national registry. As a result, Texas consumers who want their number on the National Do Not Call Registry must register with it.

Federal enforcement of the National Do Not Call Registry begins October 1, 2003. All consumers whose numbers are on the registry by August 31, 2003 will notice a downturn in telemarketing calls starting October 1, 2003. Consumers who register by September 1, 2003 will notice a drop in telemarketing calls within three months of the date they register.

At this time, Texas is continuing to maintain a state-specific do not call list. Information about the Texas list can be found at [222.texasnocall.com](http://222.texasnocall.com).

Nationally, consumers continue to add their telephone numbers to the National Do Not Call Registry at a vigorous pace, favoring online registrations to telephone registrations 89 percent to 11 percent. As of Monday, July 7, 19.6 million telephone numbers had been logged into the registry.

Despite the high volume of successful registrations, the Fed-

eral Trade Commission is offering some tips for consumers experiencing glitches in the registration process:

- Consumers unable to click on the confirmation link in the email from [Register@donotcall.gov](mailto:Register@donotcall.gov), can complete their registration by using the "cut" and "paste" functions to insert the link in the e-mail into the "Address" line on their Web browser. The entire link must be cut and pasted and not retyped. This problem may be the result of using the older browsers of certain Internet Service Providers.

- Consumers who click on the link in the confirmation e-mail and receive a page that says "REGISTRATION INCOMPLETE" should return to their confirmation e-mail and maximize it so that it covers the entire screen and then click on the link. If that doesn't work, consumers can complete their registration by using the "cut" and "paste" functions to insert the link in the e-mail into the "Address" line on their Web browser. The entire link must be cut and pasted and not retyped. This problem may be the result of your e-mail system not "reading" an address on more than one line of text.

- Consumers uncertain if they have registered can verify their registration online at [www.donotcall.gov](http://www.donotcall.gov).

- Consumers uncertain if they have registered and unable to verify, should simply reregister at [www.donotcall.gov](http://www.donotcall.gov) or by calling 1-888-382-1222.

Consumers registering online are reminded that once they submit their online registration, two additional steps must occur for the registration to be valid:

- 1) Consumers must receive an e-mail from [REGISTER@donotcall.gov](mailto:REGISTER@donotcall.gov);
- 2) Consumers must open the

e-mail and click on the link provided to complete their registration.

The loopholes in the National Do Not Call Registry allowing individuals and charities to make telemarketing calls include:

- Political calls—These are always the first to be exempt since politicians make the rules.
- Charity calls.
- Telephone Survey Calls—Many telemarketers try to claim they are taking surveys.

- "Existing Business Relationship"—This is the tricky one. You see, if you buy a piece of gum at a chain store you suddenly could have an "Existing Business Relationship" with 27 affiliated entities trying to sell you everything under the sun.
- Long-distance phone companies.
- Airlines.
- Banks and credit unions.
- The business of insurance, to the extent that it is regulated by state law.
- Privacy Issue—Your telephone number will be linked to your e-mail for online registration in FTC files. There is no apparent reason for this since anyone can register numerous free e-mail addresses and the "verification" system employed by the online system does not actually verify anything. It is used for "unregistration" process.
- The Telephone Consumer Protection Act of 1991—This is enforced by the Federal Communications Commission (FCC). This law allows consumers to sue telemarketers directly for up to \$1,500 per violation if the conditions of the law are met.

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"Helping people enjoy and appreciate trees is central to the educational mission of the Arbor Day Foundation," John Rosenow, the Foundation's president, said. "Being able to identify trees is important to knowing how to care for them and how to plant the right tree in the right place."

To obtain your tree ID guide, send your name and address and \$3 to "What Tree Is That?," The National Arbor Day Foundation, Nebraska City, NE 68410. Or go online to [arborday.org](http://arborday.org).

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## Baird Chamber Golf Tournament set for July 19th

The Fifth Annual Golf Tournament sponsored by Baird Chamber of Commerce is scheduled for Saturday, July 19th.

Entry fee for the two person scramble at Shady Oaks Golf Course is \$30 per person plus cart and green fee.

There will be prizes for tournament winners and a hot dog/burger supper following the tournament, according to Su-

san McCool who is chairing the tournament.

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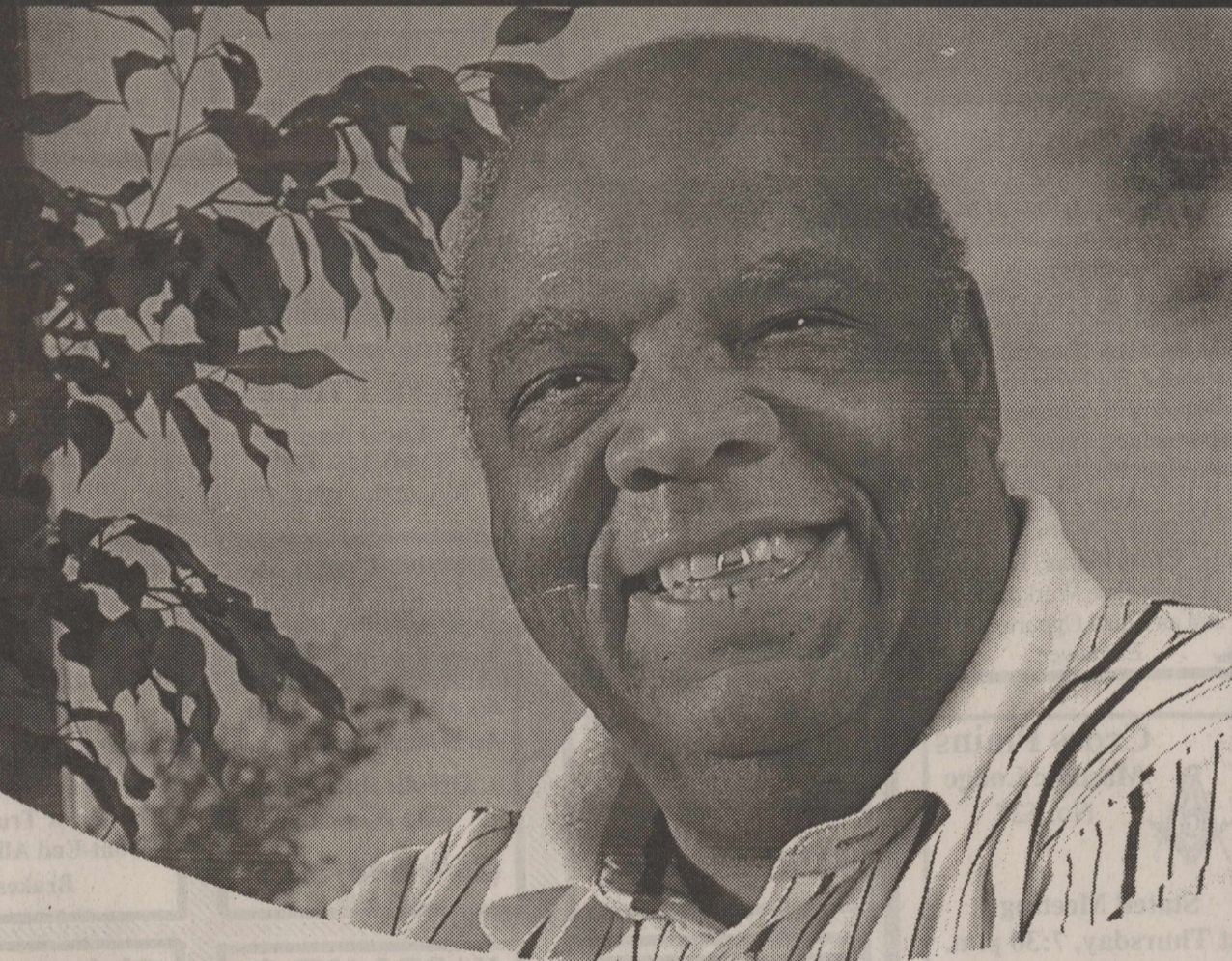
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By Tom Ivey

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Eligible members are those retirees who have 20 years of service for retired pay compensation and who either have disabilities because of combat injuries for which they have been awarded the Purple Heart or who are rated at least 60 percent disabled because of armed conflict, hazardous duty, training exercises, or mishaps involving military equipment.

Members must apply to their own branch of service using DD Form 2860, "Application for Combat-Related Special Compensation (CRSC)." The application form is available from the Defense Manpower Data Center Website at <https://www.dmdc.osd.mil/crsc/>.

Your Callahan County Veterans Service Office will have the application forms and other information on the new program. A call at 325-854-1520 on Mondays and Tuesdays will get copies in the mail to you. It appears to be well worth the time for those who are eligible.

**KOREAN WAR**—On July 5, 1950, Pvt Kenneth Shadrick of Skin Fork, West Virginia, became the first U.S. serviceman to die in the Korean War. Think of him and all the others who died in that terrible war when you observe the Armistice which came about fifty years ago on July 27, 1953.

**TAPS**—Each day the papers carry news of more buddies who have answered the last call. Our area is no exception and we are saddened to know the loss of Dr. Robert V. Bailey, Jr., USN born in Clyde, Frank Bartek, USA Cross Plains, William Brannon, USA Eula, DuWayne L (D.L.) Clark, USAF Clyde, J. R. Poindexter, USA Oplin, and Lyle Ancell, USAF Clyde, a good friend to so many. Our condolences are extended to the families of these Veterans, men who served their country well.



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## Lake-Hopkins to Wed Friday, August 1

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held at Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Smith's barn.

Jennifer is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lannie Lake of Virginia Beach, Virginia.

The bridegroom is the son of H.D. (Hoppy) and Tricia Hopkins of Cross Plains.

## Use Technology to get Medications

By Patti J. Patterson, M.D.  
Many of us take for granted traveling to the corner drugstore to get our prescriptions filled after leaving the doctor's office. But there are many rural Texas residents that do not have access to a doctor or a pharmacist. In some instances, there may be a local physician or patients can access a doctor remotely using telemedicine, yet they still must travel 50, 75, even 100 miles to get a prescription filled. Mail order medications are an option, but can take days to arrive.

Researching ways to address this problem, Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center has launched the first telepharmacy project in the state. Turkey, Texas in the Texas panhandle was chosen for the first site because of its rural location. The project started in September of 2002 and has resulted in more than 300 prescriptions being filled locally.

Keith Green and his wife used to travel 200 miles to Lubbock for their prescriptions. Now they benefit from the telepharmacy project. "It works great. We don't have to miss work and it is quick," Green said. "It is nice because you are sitting there talking to both your doctor and the pharmacist, and it's like you are talking to them in person."

The remote telepharmacy equipment is located in the clinic site of Dr. Sidney Ontai in Tur-

key. Dr. Ontai is a private physician in Plainview, 50 miles away, who sees patients in Turkey via telemedicine. Texas Tech links into Dr. Ontai's clinic through the Internet to a Texas Tech pharmacy in southwest Lubbock 100 miles away.

The telemedicine video conferencing equipment allows the Lubbock based pharmacist to counsel with a patient in the Turkey clinic, answer questions about the prescription, communicate with clinic personnel, and monitor the actual dispensing. Various prescribed drugs are located at the clinic in advance, based on the most common prescriptions written by the doctor.

With this system, the prescription drugs can be immediately dispensed to patients as opposed to several days delay with the mail or a lengthy roundtrip to the nearest retail pharmacy.

The telepharmacy system is another link in expanding health care access for rural residents. While telemedicine has advanced care for many rural residents, the lack of immediate pharmaceuticals has remained a problem. This project will assist in researching the best ways to address that break in the link.

Patti J. Patterson, M.D., is the vice president of rural and community health at the Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center. She grew up in Hale Center.

## U.S. House of Representatives passes flag protection legislation

Washington, D.C.—Congressman Charlie Stenholm applauded passage in the House of Representatives of H.J. Res. 4, a proposed Constitutional amendment designed to authorize Congress to prohibit desecration of the United States Flag.

"I was very happy to join with 2/3 of my colleagues to achieve the required 2/3 majority to pass this important legislation," noted Stenholm. "Like many folks, I have a great concern about protecting all of our Constitutional rights, including our right to free speech. But I suspect that many Americans also would hope that the American flag should be respected and revered, not disrespected and burned. After a great deal of thought, study and consideration, I concluded that burning an American flag is more akin to shouting 'fire' in a crowded theater, which is not protected speech because it is meant simply to cause anguish and bring about a strong reaction."

Elaborating further, Stenholm commented, "After the conclusion of the successful campaign

in Iraq, and our continuing efforts to bring freedom and liberty to the long oppressed Iraqi people, I hope that the American flag will be viewed as a positive, unifying symbol."

"I further urge all Americans to take a moment to think about what the United States flag represents," noted Stenholm. "I am sure that most folks will agree that that respect for the flag includes not only the prevention of its desecration, but the proper use of the flag and its image." Manuals on flag etiquette advise that the flag, being considered a symbol of our living country, is itself considered living. Thoughtfulness and restraint are urged when displaying the flag, and when using the image of the flag on such items as napkins, clothing, or anything that will simply be thrown away.

Stenholm cautioned that this is the first step in a long process that, to be successful, must include passage in the Senate, and a long process of ratification that requires the approval of 3/4 of states.

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JULY 17

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Perry Cloud  
Kelly Westerman  
Mrs. Mack Pancake  
David Hutchins  
Melissa Luter  
Christopher Hal Harris  
Lewis Fortune  
Josh Nelson

JULY 18

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James Apple  
Joy Woodruff Pancake  
Raymond Holland  
Deana Strickland  
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