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Cross Plains High School

■ Will Pre-Register Students On The Following Days:

AUGUST 5, 2003 GRADES 7 & 8 from 9am to 12noon

AUGUST 6, 2003 GRADES 9 & 10 from 9am to 12noon

AUGUST 7, 2003 GRADES 11 & 12 from 9am to 12noon

Every Student MUST Pre-Register For The 2003-2004 School Year.

Barbarian **Festival Meeting Set**

The Barbarian Festival Committee will meet Tuesday, July 29, at Jean's Feed Barn. Come at 6 p.m. if you want to eat dinner or 6:30 p.m. for the meeting.

Plans for the 2004 Festival will be discussed. For more information, call Keeka Byrd (254) 725-6836 or Susan McNeel (254) 725-6498.

Homecoming Meeting Monday, July 28th

Everyone interested in the 2003 Cross Plains High School Homecoming is invited to attend a meeting of the Ex-Student Association on Monday, July 28, at 7:00 p.m. at Jean's Feed Barn.

An update on the Homecoming scheduled for September 13th will be presented at this time.

Remember Homecoming is just around the corner, so make plans to attend NOW!!!!

Blood Drive Set for Monday, August 4 in Cross Plains

nities of Cross Plains and Rising Star will be held on Monday, August 4. The Meek Blood Center Bloodmobile will be in Cross Plains at the Village Market from 1:00 p.m. until 6:00 p.m. Meek Blood Center supplies blood to sixteen medical facilities in the Texas Midwest.

According to Frances Baker, donor recruiter for Meek Blood Center, one pint of blood can save as many as three lives. As little as three teaspoons of blood can save the life of a premature baby, while an accident victim may require as many as thirty pints of blood upon arrival to the hospital. A cancer patient may use as many as eight units of platelets a day while undergoing chemotherapy

Donors must be at least 17 year

A blood drive for the commu- old, weigh at least 110 pounds and be in good health. Aspirin and most maintenance medications. such as blood pressure, cholesterol, hormones and anti-depressants are acceptable. There are some restrictions regarding some medications, certain medical conditions and some travel areas outside the U.S. Anyone with a question regarding donor eligibility is asked to call Meek Blood Center at (325) 670-2805. The entire donation process takes between 45 minutes to 1 hour. Donors will be provided a snack of juice and cookies.

Each donor will receive a Tshirt and a complimentary total cholesterol reading. Cholesterol results may be obtained two days after the blood drive by calling (325) 670-2799.



Presents: "What's Inside"

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Immunization Clinic **Schedules** Announced

Texas Department of Health will hold the following Immunization Clinics in Callahan County Monday, August 11, at the Baird Cafetorium, 400 West 7th, from 10 a.m. to 12 noon; and Cross Plains Housing Authority, 233 North Main, from 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.; Wednesday, August 13, at Clyde Community Resource Center, 306 N. 1st, from 10 a.m. to 12 noon and 1:30 p.m. to 5 p.m.

Please bring child's immunization records.

754-4945.

Reception Planned for Bobbye Hinkle at C.P. Public Library

The Cross Plains Public Library will be hosting a reception for Bobbye Hinkle on Thursday, July 31, at the library from 1:00 to 3:00

Due to health problems, Bobbye has given up her position as Library Aide, after close to 7 1/2 years.

She was the best at retrieving overdue books and soon became known as the "Library Police".

Her knowledge of the people of Cross Plains and Callahan County was very valuable to people seeking history of this area. Her skills will be missed highly by the library staff and people of the community.

Don't forget to mark your calendar and come by and greet Bobbye at the reception.

Submitted by Charles Rodenberger

Area Folks Enjoy **Graham's Presentation** about King Ranch

evening to Meet the Author Don Graham and hear him talk about his latest book, Kings of Texas: The 150-Year Saga of an American Ranching Empire. The evening was part of the quarterly series sponsored by the Cross Silverbrook Ranch and a daugh-Plains Public Library as a service to the public.

Dr. Graham, currently J. Frank at the University of Texas, told ing a history of the ranch in light book! of Tom Lea's King Ranch, a 1950's, was a tall order. He pointed out, however, there's almost 50 years of new history now, as well as information that has

Many people from outside the become available since then. An-Cross Plains area came to the other complication in writing the Community Center last Tuesday book was that the archives of the King Ranch, formerly available for research purposes, were closed in 1995 because information found there was used to file a lawsuit against the ranch.

Helen Groves, owner of ter of Robert Klebur, was in the audience and graciously filled in some of the information unavail-Dobie Regents Professor of able to Dr. Graham. She also said American and English Literature there is so much information in the King Ranch archives that, had many lively stories about the Dr. Graham had access to the ar-King Ranch and the writing of the chives, he might still be there and book. He knowledged that writ- would never have finished the

The Friends of the Cross Plains classic history written in the Library thank all who attended last Tuesday, whether from Cross Plains or elsewhere in the Big Country.

Submitted by Ginny Hoskins

Cross Plains Quilting Club Announce Quilt **Drawing Winner**

Cross Plains Quilting Club has with the project. The monies Payne, who cut and sewed the a.m. to 3:00 p.m. quilt; and Lena Gage, who fur- The drawing for the quilt was nished the batting.

Texas Heritage Bank and the ing Star, won the quilt. Dairy Queen for their assistance

offered chances on a quilt for the raised will be used for building last month. The quilt was donated improvement at the American to the club by Daisy Holcomb, Legion Building, where the club who furnished the fabric; Bernice meets on Tuesdays from 9:00

held at their Tuesday, July 15th, They would like to thank the meeting and Adron Fisher of Ris-



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 For more information call (915) P.O. Box 699, Cross Plains, TX 76443—Cross Plains Ex-Student Buffalo Fund—Account #19-010-1.



ANNUAL CHAMBER OF COMMERCE BANQUET SUCCESSFUL—Outgoing president, George Mathews (from left), Toody Byrd, guest speaker, and Barbie Creach, new president, contributed to the great outcome. Eighty plus enjoyed the wonderful food and special entertainment.

Cross Plains Chamber of Commerce Banquet was a light-hearted evening thanks to speaker, Toody Byrd

By Vanda Anderson Creech Donnel Clark, and Francis Editor

The annual Cross Plains Chamber of Commerce banquet was held Saturday, July 19, at the beautiful Family Life Center at First Baptist Church. This elegant facility is yet another wonderful addition to the progressive community of Cross

Bob Pipes, master of ceremonies, opened the evening with his usual professional style. Barbie Creach, Chamber President, welcomed everyone to the banquet featuring a delicious catered meal by Lemon's Bar-B-Q of Brownwood. Debbie Gosnell, representing

the City Hall and the Economic Development Corporation, presented an interesting update on new businesses including G&G Sporting Goods, Blessed Automotive, Sun Rayz, Parker Brothers Iron Works, Potter Game Tables, Best Electronic Systems, Bitter Creek Ranch Manufacturing, Cross Plains Parts Plus, TNT Automotive and Custom Tile of Cross Plains. Taste of Texas was recognized for its recent remodeling and Wild Texas Taxidermy was complemented on its beautiful building restoration. She mentioned that Barr Fabrication currently employees 21 full-time and 7 part-time. Bitter Creek Ranch Manufacturing is up to 7 employees already. These are fantastic figures for a small town like Cross Plains and the Chamber of Commerce is proud of the progress of all the local businesses. Debbie also explained about the grant incentive program available through the Economic Development Corpo-

Denise Coulter invited Bo Barr, nephew of Toody Byrd, to introduce our esteemed guest speaker. His heartfelt feelings informed the audience what a delight she

A host of friends and family warmly welcomed Toody back to her hometown. Classmates, Wallace Bennett, R.T. Peevy, is always welcome.

Gallaway were on hand to cheer

Toody presented a flowing dialogue of great information. She is an extraordinary speaker who keeps you anticipating her next story. If you weren't proud of being from Cross Plains before she spoke, you certainly were afterwards. She is a wonderful representation of our hometown as she travels the United States delivering her unique and down home tales of her upbringing and lessons of life.

Toody mentioned the fact that she appreciated Lois Garrett and Zora Mae Bryant being good role models. I was thinking "Amen". They have remained active, caring, attractive and most of all happy and pleasant throughout their lives. I have always hoped that I could be like them, too.

They say "laughter is the best medicine" and Toody had the crowd roaring—what a great gift from the Lord! Bob Pipes summed it up when he stated, "She educated, informed, entertained and inspired us." It just doesn't get any better than that!

The Chamber of Commerce was especially grateful to Yvonne Peevy, Wilma Lawrence, Dee Harrell and Renee Alexander for donating the beautiful homemade cakes and fried pies for the auction. The chamber appreciates all who purchased the baked goods and supported their efforts in this fund-raiser.

Current Board of Directors for the Chamber of Commerce Barbie Creach, President; Amber Kleiber, Secretary; and Board Members, Julene Franke, George Mathews, James Nichols, Rick Potter, Matt Sowell and Vanda Creech, appreciate everyone who attended the banquet and assisted in any way. It is the goal of the Cross Plains Chamber of Commerce to promote local businesses and encourage new businesses to establish in our city. Anyone who would like to join the Chamber of Commerce

Annual Cross Cut Reunion Report **Good Attendance**

was held on July 20, 2003 at the Cross Plains Community Center. There were 83 current and former Cross Cut residents and guests

The attendees provided a fine covered dish buffet. All enjoyed some of the best food in the county. Cindy and Nichole Clark assisted in the setup and serving of the meal. Their help is appreciated each year by the reunion attendees.

Marie Stambaugh and O.B. Byrd were honored for past services to the Cross Cut School. Recognition was given for the Most Senior Female, Cody Hounshell; Most Senior Male, O.B. Byrd; Youngest Classmate in Attendance, Bob Golson; and Most Senior Classmate, O.B. Byrd. Jim Byrd, Betty Byrd Jesse

The annual Cross Cut Reunion and James Byrd, all from Hot Springs Arkansas, were recognized for having traveled the longest distance to attend.

> With the terms of the current officers expiring, Keith Watkins is the new president; Bob Golson is vice-president; and the secretary-treasurer position has been divided between Imogene Newton Haun and Anita Lane.

Roy Stambaugh chaired a meeting of the Cross Cut Cemetery Committee where Blanche Byrd presented the minutes of the most recent meetings of the committee and a treasurer's report. It was noted that the Cemetery Maintenance Fund was a bit short of funds. To help resolve this problem, the reunion voted to donate the proceeds of the silent auction to the cemetery maintenance fund.

BITUARIES

Annie Mae Wright

Mrs. Annie Mae Wright, 85, of Cross Plains, passed away Thursday, July 17, 2003, in the Brownwood Regional Medical Center in Brownwood, Texas.

Services were held at 10:00 a.m. Saturday, July 19, 2003, at the Higginbotham Funeral Chapel with Mike Redd officiating. Burial was in the Cross Cut Cemetery under the direction of Higginbotham Funeral Home of Cross Plains.

Annie Mae was born July 22, 1917 in Wood County, Texas to Edgar Paul Russell and Annie Mae Cookus Russell. She married George Wright in Clovis, New Mexico on May 6, 1933. She was a member of the First United Methodist Church of Cross

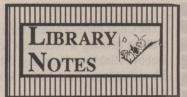
She lived in the Cross Cut community for many years. After they sold the farm and moved to Cross Plains in 1973, she and George enjoyed traveling in their motor home. Annie Mae enjoyed cooking and feeding anyone that came to her house. She especially enjoyed going to lamb shows all over the state watching her granddaughter, Emily, show her lambs. She kept up with every sheep. She took pleasure from her flowers that she grew in her yard, as she was an excellent gardener. Everyone who knew Annie Mae didn't have to wonder what she thought of something. She told

them! Everyone will miss her wit. Survivors include her son and daughter-in-law, Russell and Betty Wright, of Brownwood;

two daughters and sons-in-law, Billie and Danny Harris, of Granbury, and Paula and Tony Winfrey, of Cross Plains; four grandchildren, Teresa Rives, Mike Harris, Cody Winfrey and Emily Winfrey; two great-grandchildren, Tiffany Rives and

Renee Rives. She was preceded in death by her parents; husband, George; two sisters, Mozelle Hughes and Athalee Jones; and one grandson, Dustin Winfrey.

Pallbearers were Charlie Grider, Donnie Dillard, Tommy Kelly, Thomas Rives, Gaylon Hughes and Joe Travis Kelsey.



July 14-18

Statistics Circulation:

Memorials:

Eloyce S. Gallivan (In Memory

Dub Meador would like to in-

form area music lovers that the

Cross Plains Musical, held on

Main Street, has been cancelled

on a permanent basis.

He expressed his appreciation to

those attended in the past.

Donations: Books Lorna Muniain John Burleson

Susie Hyatt

of May Watson)

American **Cross Plains Legion Meets** Musical July 31st Cancelled

Wild, Dangerous.

Think back to your boyhood:

TIME: 7:00 p.m.

FOR MORE INFORMATION CALL:

254-725-7374 or 254-725-0039

The American Legion members of Cross Plains will meet at 6:30 p.m. Thursday, July 31, at Jean's Feed Barn.

All members are encouraged to attend, and remember to wear your cap!!!!!

COURTHOUSE NEWS

COUNTY COURT

Roger Corn, presiding

Misdemeanor Filings

Edmundo V. Sanchez, driving while intoxicated (DWI). Lori L. Pethis, DWI. Mary L. Zuniga, possession of

marijuana. Cheri N. Hendry, possession of marijuana.

Michael D. Hildebrand, displaying a driver's license belonging to another.

Bobby R. Johnson, Jr., evading arrest.

Brenda S. Johnson, DWI. Cheri Hendry, possession of drug paraphernalia.

Misdemeanor Minutes

Donald E. Walker, motion to dismiss to possession of marijuana granted, paid fine & court

Jai Joe Garrett, affidavit for release of surety and warrant for arrest granted.

Edmundo Sanchez, plea of quilty to DWI-1st, 30 days in jail, \$100 fine, \$238 court costs. Don A. Whitlock, transfer request from Callahan Co. to Brown Co. granted.

End of term order discharging defendant under misdemeanor probation, Robin Denton, Salvador Conteras, Lachenmeyer.

End of term order discharging defendant under deferred adjudication, Alfonso Baca III, Richard Hawkins, Michael Lowther, John Coleman Wooten.

Marriage Licenses

Stacy Lenn Swafford and Terralynn Poncy, both of Clyde. John Steven Massey of Abilene and Patricia Eileen Chaney of Clyde.

42nd DISTRICT COURT John Weeks, presiding

Civil Filings

Sheila Rene Purdum and Michael John Purdum, divorce. Cynthia Lynn Srader and Terry Gene Srader, divorce.

Joyce Monsey vs. Texas Rehabilitation Commission, Vernon Arrell, in his official ca-Texas Rehabilitation Commission and John P. Sutton in his official capacity as Hearing Officer of the Texas Rehabilitation Commission, damages.

Hurley Clandon Gill and Beverly Jane Gieger Gill, divorce.

Shane Fomby and Melanie Fomby, divorce.

Crystal Lynn Moore and Jason Colt Moore, divorce.

Civil Minutes

Tom Barton and Rebecca Barton, agreed order granting joint nonsuit.

Jeff and Cecelia Ziehr vs. H.H. Chaney Concrete Contractors, Inc., Willie Carrigan & Sons, Consolidated Framers, Inc., Joe Devora, dba AJ&B Masonry, Farmer Drywall, GRSTW, Inc. dba Abilene Lumber Company and Citizens Glass Co., Inc., order of dismissal as to H.H. Chaney Concrete Contractors, Inc. and Consolidated Framers, Inc. granted.

Criminal Indictments

Tihomil Kraker, criminally negligent homicide.

Cynthia Wheeler, tampering with a governmental record.

Criminal Minutes

Sheila Grasse, order discharging defendant from probation under deferred adjudication.

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"For where two or three are gathered together in My name, I am there in the midst of them.



Matthew 18:20

9:45 a.m. Bible Study 11:00 a.m. Worship 7:00 p.m. Evening Worship 7:00 p.m. Wednesday Prayer/Worship

First Baptist Church

3rd & Main, Cross Plains Ronnie B. White, Pastor

We Should Instruct, **Not Accuse**

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH Van Service Available - Call (254) 725-7694



N. Main (Hwy. 206) Cross Plains, Texas Sunday School - 9:30 a.m. Worship - 10:45 a.m. Rev. C. Michael Redd, Pastor

Sunday's Sermon

Are Blessed"

CHURCH DIRECTORY

CORNERSTONE BIBLE CHURCH

832 Ave. E

Cross Plains, TX

Pastor:

Sunday Morning Bible Study.....10:00 AM Morning Worship11:00 AM Donald Duke Evening Worship6:00 PM Wednesday Night Bible Study......7:00 PM

Our Church Is A House Of Prayer

BELIEVER'S FELLOWSHIP EAST HIGHWAY 36

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10:45 a.m.. Morning Service

WEDNESDAY 7:00 p.m. Christian Youth Activities THURSDAY

7:00 p.m. Midweek Service 6:00 p.m. Evening Service PASTOR: J. D. FRY (915) 646-7647 OR (254) 725-7696 Last Sunday of the month singing. Come one-Come all. Chips, Dips, Sandwiches

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Welcomes You!

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PASTOR, Phillip R. Schaefer (254) 725-7140

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For Information Call (254) 725-4884

Union Center Baptist Church

"Service to God Through Service to Man"

Sunday School 10:00 a.m. Worship Service 11:00 a.m. Wednesday Bible Study 7:00 p.m.

5 miles north of Rising Star - 1/2 mile east of Hwy 183 on CR 292 Jerry Eckhart, Pastor

(254) 643-1027

COTTONWOOD BAPTIST CHURCH

Sunday School......9:45 A.M Morning Worship......11:00 A.M Wednesday Bible Study & Prayer Time......7:00 Matt McGowen, Pastor (254) 725-4599

Church (254)725-6266

Bible Teaching Friendly Church

ROWDEN BAPTIST CHURCH

Hwy. 36 at Rowden - 12 Miles West of Cross Plains

SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP.....11:00 A.M.

Pastor: Carl Mauldin Come Worship With Us!

NIMROD BAPTIST CHURCH

Sponsor: Pioneer Baptist Church

Sunday Morning Worship......11:00 A.M. Sunday Evening Worship......6:00 P.M.

Bill Armstrong - Pastor

Remember the boyhood dreams that had you tracking dangerous villains, swinging swords, and storming the castle? Adventure is what God planned for you. John Eldredge invites you to join him in this passionate, daring, and wild at heart video series—and to discover how men across the country are recovering their masculinity as God designed it. Join us for this life-changing, multi-media experience. John and his band of brothers will show you how God can help you fulfill the vision He has for your life, and how to be the man He wants you to be. WHEN: Tuesday Evenings beginning July 29th WHERE: Cottonwood Baptist Church

Cowboy Round-Up



VBS Cottonwood Baptist Church

August 3 - 7 6:00 - 8:30 PreK thru 6th grade

Join the Round-up for Bible Stories, Crafts, Music and Good Christian fun. If you need a ride call 725-6266.

"Thank You" to the ladies of the First Baptist Church of Rising Star for providing the delicious cakes for our birthday party. Celebrating this month were: Roby Kornegay, J.C. Childers, Sue Landess, J.C. Landess, Lorene Jennings, Pauline Switzer, Mary Jane Sain and Willie Wilson.

If you are interested in volunteering at the center, we are looking for people who have a little time on their hands, to spend 30

minutes or so once a week with our residents. We need volunteer who would like to play dominos, checkers, play music, card games, etc. Give us a call at (254) 643-2681 and ask for Debra.

Thanks to the Rising Star and Cross Plains newspapers for the excellent pictures from the July 4th Freedom Festival. We always cut them out and display them on our bulletin board for everyone to enjoy. Have a great work!

PIONEER NEWS

The quilting ladies are enjoying their time off from quilting but they are working on things to go in our Country Store that we will have on October 25th at our annual Quilt Show and Country Store. Venders, you will be welcome to put up a booth. Let's keep this date in mind!

The "game night" will be this Thursday. Come out to the Pioneer Community Center for some Dodge, all had dinner with fun and food.

Cowan and Laverne Hutton's grandchildren, Travis and Arlene Parson, visited them again before they returned to their home in and Laverne met their friends, Leon and Jerry Shedd, at Baird and ate supper together. Then the four attended the Gospel meeting at Baird and heard Michael Light preach a very good Bible message. Thursday morning was a most beautiful still morning welcoming Laverne when she awoke. The sun was just peeping up awaking God's good earth and His creations. Dew drops were dripping from the house-top and a white fluffy fog was rising in low

ground....so pretty! The Hutton men have been busy rolling up hay and hauling it from the fields. Their north hay field has a very bad infestation of grasshoppers. During the week Laverne visited Billie Ruth Loving, Frankie Smith and Charlene Chesshir. Saturday J.D. and Sandy, Danny and Trish and Anthony, Lynn and Pam and Samantha, Shanna and

Cowan and Laverne. James and Jean Alexander and May Jones traveled to Midland where they visited with Jay and June Hughes. While there, they Florida. Monday evening Cowan also visited with Jay and June's son, Jeb, and his two daughters, Megan and Amy. It was so nice to

Well, summer is sure here. The beautiful green grass is beginning to turn brown. We could sure use some rain again. We know what July and August brings. The Coastal grass is being cut for the second time. Seems like everyone has had a good crop this year.

Words of Wisdom: Failure is the opportunity to begin again

By WALLACE BENNETT

Cottonwood's July Musical **Branded "Success"**

With a good crowd, two new bands and the return from sickannual and popular "Ice Cream tonwood spirit.

Ceremonies. We had our favorite where they were. around," said Weaver.

Herman Weaver Has His Own Rabbit Story

"The Rabbit Story"

By H.D. (Herman) Weaver

1942, when I was 5 years old and everybody worked in those it was to me.

have to lean against a fence post ing. to gobble. I don't know if I was sideways and hid behind a fence

morning. My two brothers were plowing, each with a horse and a by a "hare". middle-buster. My mother called me to the well. She had half-gal- (254) 725-7474 about personal lon fruit jar with burlap wrapped or news items for this column.

around it. She drew a bucket of water from the well, poured the jar full, put the lid on and poured the rest of the water around the leave of a popular fiddler; plus the burlap to keep the water cool. She handed it to me and told my two Social" hosted by the Quilting brothers were plowing in the Club, the Cottonwood Musical small field by the woods. She said took on some new life last Friday for me to walk to the wood, turn and showed the Good Ole' Cot- just this side, and walk by the woods and across a small branch "We had a real good night," said (dry creek), and I would find Mary Ella Weaver, Master of them. It was about a half mile to

and regular bands, plus George My older brother loved to hunt and Gail Rotan from Nolan, and and had just jumped a large jack-Jerry and Deana Chambliss of rabbit. He was standing in the Winters. Dad Bloodworth, a very field behind his plow watching it popular violinist, returned after a run, just as I came up out of the considerable absence due to ill- branch. We were on a collision ness. "We just had a good time all course and I had my first encounter with a jackrabbit.

I didn't know they even existed before that moment. I had no time Shortly after I ran my fable to think about what was about to about the jackrabbit, I remem- happen. With the rabbit in mid-air bered that H.D. (Herman) when we first saw each other, and Weaver had penned one of his with the water jar laying on my own and handed it to me about a arm, it hit me squarely in the chest with his head, knocking the breath out of me and sending the me back down to the bottom of the branch. The water went one way and I went the other. Who knows what happened to the jack-This story happened about rabbit. The collision must have been just much of a shock to it, as

My brother saw the whole thing I was a skinny kid. My grand- and ran about 75 yards over to mother told me i was as poor as pick me up, just about the time I ole' Job's turkey—that I would caught my breath and started cry-

Unfortunately, you could hear that bad or not, but I could turn him laughing all the way to Cottonwood.

I don't know if jackrabbits are It was about ten o'clock in the referred to as hares, but I often tell people about being bowled over

Please call Wallace Bennett at

Recently it came about that I acquired a small book of old Indian cures! I am finding it quite interesting, as well as a might curious and unusual as well. At this time of high dollar medication it is my feeling that now might be an advantageous time to share some with my readers. REMEMBER -do not try any of these at home, without first checking with your doctor.

for a long, long time. Heat is

something that you not only no-

tice, you feel the heat, you

place to escape the heat is air

conditioning---run, run, run, to

the nearest air conditioned

structure you are privy to. Be

"Herbs and Cures and All

Those Things"

For vapours and headaches: bathing the legs with luke warm water and grape vine leaves appeases in a short time the trembling of the hands very useful to strengthen trembling hands, by washing them purchased at Wal-Mart, it was ilv. beautiful, however after the

By Kay Mosley Note: I suppose everyone has second summer, the crickets took noticed how hot it is outside. If a liking to it as well as grasshopthey haven't by now, they are not pers. Between the two pests, they likely to notice much of anything quickly and thoroughly devoured

the mugwort plant from the root

upward. Naturally, after that the

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Quips, Clips & Comments

top was also dead.) So, no more experience the heat, you live the mugwort. I need to shop for more. heat, you try to escape the heat, I found in the book of Indian you run from the heat, whether medicines, a most unusual forphysically or mentally; you do mula purported to be a cure for your best to get away from it. stiff joints or shrunken sinews Good luck! I have found the best

which follow:

First put in a copper vessel, one layer of hogslard, and then one layer of wormwood, then again a layer of more hogslard, then a layer of tansy, then again the lard, then a layer of green melilot, then again the lard, then a layer of bittersweet bark, then again the lard, then cover the whole tight with a lid or a plate. Let them simmer four hours, then strain and apply first the dregs in two separate parts to the joints affected and the one above till it becomes cold, then throw it away. Add to your ointment four Green Frogs and half pint spirits turpentine, and again boil four hours and strain, then bind on the frogs as before directed, by this time your ointment will be sufficiently cool to use. The ointment must be applied to the affected joint, and the one above, for a month or more, if necesvapours and the headache. For sary. This will perform a cure in almost any case and keep the mugwort soaked in water is bowels open during the treatment with laxatives.

I do hope you may find herein often with it. (Note: I had a something that proves beneficial nice shrub of mugwort that I to you for your friends and fam-

GARDEN TIPS more intelligently. places and crawling along the By James Nichols

Monthly Musicals Planned at Cisco

Come join the fun at the first of are exhausted. many monthly musicals at Cisco A snack bar is provided on the beginning Friday, July 25, at 200 site. Avenue E.

For more information see or call The music will start at 6 p.m. Ray Boles, 801 East 8th Street, and play until all the musicians Cisco 76437, (254) 442-1137.

"Those Crazy Cucurbits"

the zucchini diet which involves want to grow some pumpkins for eating them zukes for breakfast, lunch and dinner. Zukes aren't the only ones showing a zest for life. sneaking out from under the to-

Cucurbits love the summer garbooggers.

to be gathered early in the morn-soon as the board is removed.

ing when they are at their best. The most widely planted fall The season is here for following cucurbits are pumpkins. If you

fall harvest. There is an easy way to get the plants up and growing. Prepare a furrow for the seeds, There's a butternut tumbling out damping it very well, laying a few of the compost pile, cucumbers seeds in, and then cover them with an inch of compost or potting soil.

Then cover the seeded area with dens so love them back by prepar- a board for a few days. If the soil ing tasty dishes out of the little atop the seeds is not watered, it will not crust over, and the seed-Tender baby zucchini, deserves lings should pop right through as

67th Annual Woody **Reunion Reported**

The official 67th annual Woody made items was held and books July 11 through 13. Family repre- offered for sale. Sales of the famsentatives from Texas, Missouri ily cookbook were brisk. and California attended the event. At the family meeting, discus-

attending the reunion this year. loss of the use of LaMancha due Several were unable to attend due to the pending sale of the facility. to illness and job responsibilities We considered several options this year.

gan with the "older folks" getting family soon. several boat rides around the full lake. Then the "young kids" took worship services and then lunch over and had a blast tubing and in the large air-conditioned dinskiing the rest of the weekend, ing hall rented for that purpose with occasional rides given to the and situated on the LaMancha not-so-brave relatives.

On Saturday, the family meet-

Reunion was held at LaMancha written about the family's migra-Lake Ranch Cabins on Lake Leon tion to the Potosi area were also

There were a total of 51 persons sion was centered on the possible for other fun places to meet and On Friday afternoon the fun be- will send a questionnaire to the

On Sunday, the family met for property.

Submitted by Thaila Robertson

SENIOR CITIZENS MENU

JULY 28 - AUGUST 1

MONDAY - Lasagna, Italian Sprouts, Brownie, Bread, Milk Veggies, Tossed Salad, THURSDAY - Chicken Pineapple, Garlic Toast, Milk TUESDAY - Fish Sticks, Cole- Carrots, Gelatin w/fruit, Bread, slaw, Baked Beans, Birthday Milk Cake, Hushpuppies, Milk WEDNESDAY - Pork Chops w/

Cacciatore, Buttered Noodles,

FRIDAY - Chef Salad, Ham, Eggs, Cheese, Baked Potato, gravy, AuGratin Potatoes, Brussel Pudding, Crackers, Milk

125 Attend the **Pillans Reunion**

By Lauren Evans

The annual Pillans family reunion was held on July 19 at the Cross Plains Community Center. tended the all day gathering.

All 8 surviving children of Ben and Nona Pillans were in attendance: Ruby Moore and Benja Pillans of Abilene, Leonard Pillans of Houston, Doxie McPherson of Baird and Johnny Pillans, Roxie Fletcher, Nona Belote and Glena Kirkham all of Cross Plains.

One of the many guests in atten-

dance was Bro. Ronnie and Charla White of Cross Plains. He is the pastor of the First Baptist

Christmas in July was the Over 125 family members at- chosen theme of the festivities. Doris Goble won the beautiful nativity scene that was raffled off. The meal served was turkey and dressing, along with an assortment of delicious side dishes and

> Good food, gifts and cherished memories were shared until next year when they gather together

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I refer to the New Testament book of Hebrews as a "sermonletter"-wherein the "preacher-writer," inspired by God (of course), encourages early Jewish Christians to not revert to the old way of Judaism. As motivation not to, he keeps reminding them of the great way of Christ, in contrast to the "not-so-great" way of Moses and the old "law of Moses." He also keeps sharing some warnings along the way against "drifting away" (2:1), "departing from God" (3:12), "falling short" (4:1), "not maturing" (5:12-6:6), "becoming sluggish" (6:12), "deliberate sinning" (10:26), etc.

For every "negative" warning, there are numerous "positive" encouragements! But one cannot overlook the warnings connected to the encouragements, like "Pursue peace with all men, and holiness—without which no one will see the Lord" (12:14). For some people, however-for some Christians, howeverthese warnings are heeded about as much as the warning on a cigarette pack—little to none! Nevertheless, such rebellion is recompensed with destruction in both cases. The preacher-writer pleads with us to please heed the warnings—"For our God is a consuming fire" (12:29).

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DRESS AND GROOMING CODE FOR C.P.I.S.D.

The District's dress code is es- other disciplinary action. ards, and teach respect for authoring: clean and neat and that will not be a health or safety hazard to themselves or others.

The District prohibits any clothing or grooming that in the principal's judgement may reasonably be expected to cause disruption or interfere with normal school operations. The District prohibits pictures, emblems, or writings that are lewd, offensive, vulgar, and obscene or that advertises or depicts tobacco products, up the side, clothing that expose ceptable nature. alcoholic beverages, drugs, or underwear, muscle shirts, or any other substance prohibited.

Also, any gang related clothing shall be prohibited. The student and parent may determine the student's personal dress and grooming standards provided they comply with these general guidelines and the district's code of students in the Student Hand-

a student's grooming violates the dress code, the student shall be given an opportunity to correct the problem at school. Repeated offenses may result in more serious disciplinary action. Appropriate disciplined procedures kept trimmed. Boys shall not to wear pants that are baggy or shall be followed in all cases.

person in charge of an extracurricular activity, may regulate the dress and grooming of students who participate in the activity. Students who violate these standards may be removed or excluded from the activity for a period determined by the principal or sponsor and may be subject to

with no sleeves or tank tops will will not be permitted. not be permitted. Fishnet shirts,

4. Clothing with vulgar, indecent slogans or pictures shall not or too revealing will not be perbe permitted.

5. Necklines shall not expose cleavage in front or be lower than permitted that are shorter than 4 the armpits in back.

6. Boys' hair should be neat, clean and well groomed, and knee.) If the principal determines that should not be worn over the eyebrows and top of collar (dress shirt collar). Hairstyles are to be of acceptable nature. Sideburns where the lower part of the ear is attached, but must be straight and have their name or messages that sag. The principal, in cooperation shaved into their hair. Mouswith the sponsor, coach, or other taches, beards, and other expressive male styles are not allowed. No ponytails are allowed for

> 7. No combs or pics will be worn in hair.

> 8. Boys are not permitted to wear earrings at school or school related activities.

9. Students, boys and girls, will

not be allowed to wear rings or tablished to teach grooming and All students enrolled in Cross stude in their tongues, eyebrows, hygiene, instill discipline, pre- Plains I.S.D. shall follow specific noses, or other exposed body vent disruption, avoid safety haz- guidelines for dress and groom- parts with the exception of girls wearing earrings. This includes ity. Students should be dressed 1. Everyone will wear shoes. extracurricular events and conand groomed in a manner that is House shoes, flip flops and/or tests, or any other event that is a similar shoes, or high heels (3 school function regardless inches or taller) are not allowed. whether it is on the campus of 2. No pajama, lounge pants, are Cross Plains I.S.D. or any other location.

> 3. Boys will wear jeans or slacks 10. Caps and hats will not be and encouraged wearing dress or worn inside buildings. Bandansport shirts. Muscle shirts, shirts nas or any gang related clothing

11. Girls' hair should be neat, bare midriff, backless outfits, clean and well groomed, and haltertops, unhemmed clothing, should not be worn over the eyesee-through clothing, shirts split brows. Hairstyles are to be of ac-

12. Girls may wear slacks, shirts with oversized armholes pants, or jeans. Girls must wear are unacceptable attire for school. appropriate undergarments.

13. Clothing that is torn, ripped,

14. Shorts and skirts will not be inches above the knee (e.g. 3x5 index card from the middle of the

15. Girls will not be permitted to wear tank tops or tops with spa-

ghetti straps. 16. Girls will not be allowed to will be permitted to the point wear tops that expose their navel

or any part of their midriff.

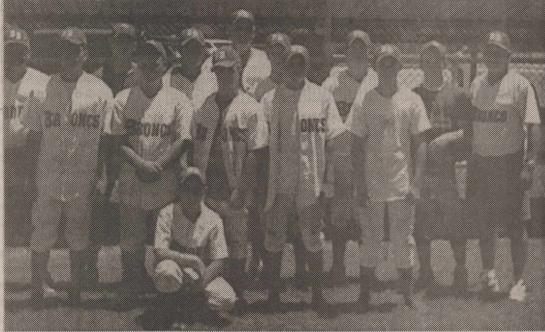
17. Students will not be allowed

18. Sunglasses will not be worn

in the building or classrooms. 19. No unnatural hair color or coloring (example green, pink, orange, etc.)

The interpretative authority as to what dress or grooming is appropriate or inappropriate shall be vested in the principal.

Submitted by Principal Jimmie Cearley



BRECKENRIDGE BRONCS READY FOR TOURNAMENT—Broncs will participate in the Texas Teenage League Tournament in Comanche.

Two Local Young Men on **Broncs Baseball Team**

ished their final tune-up for the 2003 Texas Teenager League Tournament, that began Monday,

The Broncs hosted the Abilene Eagles select baseball squad Thursday, July 20, at the Joe Knight-Boyce Strong Baseball Complex and came out on top 13-

With some healthy pitching from a contingent of Broncs, the Abilene squad was simply unable to mount any offense.

Luke Turner, Max Perez, David Diaz and Cross Plains' Chance Watkins combined to pitch seven innings against the Eagles.

Turner pitched two innings and struck out two batters. He walked one and allowed four hits. Perez

and struck out five. Diaz hurled a pair of innings and walked one batter. He struck out two and did not allow any hits.

Watkins, who joined the Broncs at the conclusion of the 2003 regular season, walked two batters and struck out three in the final inning.

The Broncs also helped themselves offensively, pounding out 14 hits in the contest.

The Broncs opened a scoreless contest with seven runs in the second inning. The Breckenridge squad stretched its lead to 8-0 with another run in the eighth

After Abilene cut the lead to 8- pair of teams from Bangs.

The Breckenridge Broncs fin- allowed two hits in two innings 5 with three runs in the fourth and pitched. He walked two batters sixth innings, the Broncs put the game away with four runs in the fifth inning to take a 12-5 lead.

Breckenridge rounded out the scoring with a run in the sixth

Offensively, Diaz led the Broncs with three hits. Turner, Colby Woodrum and Roy Smith, of Cross Plains, each pounded out two hits, while Robert Perez, Josh Seale, Lucas DeWitt and Watkins collected hits against Abilene.

The Broncs will participate in the Texas Teenage League Tournament in Comanche. Teams entered in the tournament play include Clyde, Comanche, Hamilton, Goldthwaite, Dublin and a



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The scheduled events for the weekend are as follows:

Tuesday, September 9, 2003

6:00 p.m. Community Hot Dog Supper Friday, September 12, 2003

7:30 p.m. Pep Rally Football Field 9:00 p.m. Bonfire

Saturday, September 13, 2003

9:00-11:00a.m. Coffee & Registration Gymnasium Foyer 11:00-11:30 a.m. Business Meeting-Gymnasium

Classes Sectioned by Decades

Announcement of Coming Home King & Queen

11:30 Lunch in Lunchroom Sponsored by the Band Boosters 2:00 p.m. Parade Downtown (Coming Home King & queen will be Honored)

3:30 p.m. Class Meetings

8:00 p.m. FOOTBALL GAME

CROSS PLAINS vs HAWLEY

9:00 p.m. Dance (Behind Treadway Park Weather Permitting)

Please indicate your King and Queen nominations from the 20'-90's on your registration. We will announce this during the business meeting.

Ex-Student Association:

| Jackie Thomas, President | 254-725-6436 |
|---|-----------------------|
| Bobby Vaught, Vice President | 325-784-6278 |
| Debbie Tyler Reed, Secretary/Treasurer | 254-725-7363 |
| Doris Rouse Goble, Invitations | 254-725-6534 |
| Dannes Dickson Turner, Registration | 254-725-7755 |
| Susan McNeel and Roxie McConal Thomas, Parade | 254-725-6498 725-6436 |
| | (Deadline 9-10-03) |
| Charlou Richardson Cowan, Class Meetings | 254-725-6123 |
| Terry Jane McWilliams Wyatt, Coronation | 254-725-7762 |
| Kelli Hargrove Hyles, Dance Chairman | 254-725-7307 |



There is a lot of hard work and planning involved in this weekend. We do it for YOU. YOU will be missed if you do not attend. Please return your registration if you plan to attend

Homecoming 2003 to Dannes Dickson Turner, P. O. Box 323, Cross Plains, Texas 76443 or register online at dannes@txheritagebank.com

SCHOOL BOARD

July 15, 2003

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

The following administrators and guests were also in attendance: Superintendent, High School Principal, Elementary Principal, and guests, Homer Parson, Larry Thomas, and Ricky and Tina Thomas.

Prayer was led by Reggie Pillans.

Minutes were approved as read. Motion was made by Pillans and seconded by Cook that we remove the new phone system for Cross Plains I.S.D. from the

Motion was made by Pillans and seconded by Cook that they table the phone system. For 6 Against 0 Donnie Dillard came in at 8:15

table. For 6 Against 0

Motion was made by V. Dillard and seconded by Cook to table the auditorium seats. For 7 Against 0

Motion was made by Bennett and seconded by Cook that they accept catastrophic- medical only- insurance from UNUM Life Insurance with premium of \$18.64. For 7 Against 0

Motion was made by Bennett journ. For 7 Against 0 and seconded by D. Dillard that

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they accept drug dog contract from Global Training Academy, Inc. for 2003-04. For 7 Against 0

Motion was made by Bennett and seconded by Pillans that they accept student handbook with recommended changes. For 7 Against 0

Motion was made by D. Dillard and seconded by Bennett that they table the teacher's handbook/teacher dress code. For 7

Executive session began 10:27 p.m. was out 11:05 p.m.

Motion was made by Pillans and seconded by V. Dillard that they accept the resignation of Loyd and Christy Vedder. For 7 Against 0

Motion was made by Bennett and seconded by D. Dillard that they accept the resignation of Chris Kitchens. For 7 Against 0

Motion was made by Pillans and seconded by V. Dillard that they hire Margie Sowell as Elementary Principal with a 12-month contract. For 7 Against 0

Motion was made by Schaefer and seconded by Bennett that they enter into a contract with JLH Enterprises for bookkeeping business manager service for 2003-04 for 226 days. For 7

Motion was made by Bennett and seconded by Pillans to ad-

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SCHOOL BOARD MEETING

of Trustees of the Cross Plains Jackie Tennison, Superintendent, I.S.D. will be held on July 28, for the Board of Trustees. 2003 beginning at 6 p.m. in the high school administrative board room. The subject to be discussed or considered or upon which any formal action may be taken are as follows:

Open Meeting

1. Discuss and take action on teacher's handbook and dress code, tabled at July 15, 2003 meeting.

year for milk/gas/electricity. 3. Adjourn.

ance with the Open Meetings Act

Local student named to McMurry's Dean's List

ABILENE- Samuel Leon Nixon has been named to the Spring 2003 Dean's List and Dean's Honor Roll. To be eligible for the Dean's List, a student must have maintained at least a 3.5 12 or more credit hours.

Sam is a Senior majoring in Biology. He is the son of Terry Nixon and the late Leon Nixon of Cross Plains.

A regular meeting of the Board on July 21, 2003 at 10 a.m. by

Shena Thomas Inducted in Society of Collegiate **Scholars**

The University of Texas at 2. Bids for 2003-2004 school Austin-Shena J. Thomas of Cross Plains accepted membership in The National Society of Notice was posted in compli- Collegiate Scholars and will be honored during a campus ceremony this fall at The University of Texas at Austin.

The National Society of Collegiate Scholars (NSCS) is a highly selective, national, non-profit honors organization. Founded in 1994, NSCS recognizes first and second year undergraduate students who excel academically.

The Society was established on the principle that with scholarship comes a responsibility to develop leadership and a duty to perform service.

"NSCS provides the opportunity for students, like Shena, to be recognized for their outstanding academic accomplishments early grade point average while taking in their college experience," said Steve Loflin, NSCS Executive Director. "Shena will also have the opportunity to join other high achieving college students in developing leadership skills and a sense of civic responsibility."

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ATTENDING THE READ ALOUD CAFE— Kelsie Pointer (clockwise from left), Tiffany Bell, Kathleen Terstegge and Amber Parker enjoyed the lunch and story.



STORYTELLERS AND SERVERS—Naomi Isbell and Justin Isbell read to the children and also helped serve them lunch.

Great Attendance at Read Aloud Cafe at **Local Public Library**

Cross Plains Public Library's had perfect attendance. The tickjoyed by 33 children in our community during the week of July 7 through July 11.

They all had a wonderful time in a very relaxed atmosphere, enjoying many stories while they ate lunch. A varied menu was served during the week and drawings were held every day for prizes. Besides hearing a variety of stories specially selected for their read aloud appeal, they also enjoyed hearing one chapter every day from Hank the Cowdog and The Incredible Priceless Corncob by Jon Erickson, a noted Texas children's author. Children also checked out their own books at the close of each session.

A special drawing for two tickets to Schlitterban Water Park, donated by KTXS in Abilene, was held for the 19 children who

"Read Aloud Cafe 2003" was en- ets were won by Samantha Dickson (congratulations!), a student at Cross Plains Elemen-

Decor for this year's "cafe" included red and white check tablecloths with basket centerpieces containing apples that they enjoyed eating on the last day.

The theme for the week was "A Book A Day, Keeps The Cobwebs Away", emphasizing the importance of reading something everyday for life.

Storytellers this year were Naomi and Justin Isbell, both students at Cross Plains High School, Sue Bennett and Jacque Childress.

growing, plans are already underway for the "Read Aloud Cafe" to open again for Summer-2004.

Since our participation keeps

Submitted by Jacque Childress

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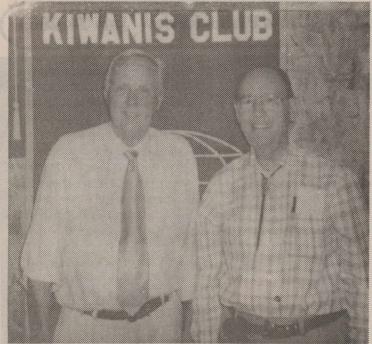
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KIWANIANS LEARN ABOUT THE KING RANCH-Dr. Don Graham, Austin, told the Kiwanis Club about researching his book, THE KINGS OF TEXAS, as up-to-date history of the King Ranch. He found that modern Texans know about the Alamo, but the only thing they know about the King Ranch is the casserole dish. He hopes his book will remind Texans of the greatest ranch in history. He was the guest of Charles Rodenberger.

Heartwarming Send-off for Ms. Rising Star to New York City

Ruth Watkins, at her home Friday Star presented a check for \$400 morning, was well attended. Ms. and a letter from the city. David Rising Star, as she has become affectionately known, is travel- a letter from the city of Early, a ing to New York City, Sunday, to wheelchair donated by Med Care undergo a life-saving 6-hour neu- and a blank check representing rosurgery. Members of her fam- future funds to result from a benily, friends, dignitaries and 10 efit cook-off for Saturday, July United House Calls employees 19, at Heartland Mall. The cook-

Co-owners of United House and the Early City Council. Calls of Texas, Mell Whitworth Following the presentations, an Watkins with a check for \$1,500 Mike McGinn. and a card signed by well-wishers from three counties. David safe journey and a quick recov-Williams, pastor of the First Baptist Church in Rising Star, presented her a check for \$1,000 from the JR Beadel Foundation and the First Baptist Church.

A heartwarming send-off for Mike McGinn, Mayor of Rising Brooks, Mayor of Early, gave her off sponsors will be Cellular-One

and Jeff Bolton, presented Ms. eloquent prayer was offered by

Everyone wishes Ms. Watkins a ery. A follow-up story will be forthcoming, as she will be anxious to share with you, her adventures in New York City and her progress.

Former resident's book signing this Saturday, July 26

Retired Wycliff Bible transla- difficult task of learning the comtors, Paul Dorothy Smith, will be plex Chinantec language, formusigning and discussing their co- lating a scientific alphabet and authored autobiography. One translating the New Testament. p.m. on Saturday, July 26.

Paul is the son of the late Mr. of Peru and wartime Vietnam. and Mrs. Marvin Smith of Cross Robert Smith.

whirlwind romance and marriage in 1949, and their life in a remote Mexican Indian village that was from terminal tuberculosis. reputedly the "Murder Capital of Mexico". In spite of the village's bad reputation, many of its inhab-

More Mountain to Climb, at the Paul Smith, who was Wycliffe's Midlothian Conference Center, 1 official photographer for fifteen Community Circle Drive, years, shares some of his most Medlothian from 2:00 to 4:00 memorable experiences while filming such places as the jungles

Woven into all of this is the Plains. His brothers are Neal and story of how the Smiths reared their six children, under some-The Smith's story tells their times difficult circumstances, and how they adopted Elena, a Chinantec teenager suffering

The book is not just about religion; it is filled with fascinating cultural and anthropological initants proved to be wonderful sights and human-interest stories friends who supported the couple of interest to everybody, whether in their work, as they tackled the they are religious or not.

Local couple's grandson attending leadership conference

Jerri Taylor of Cross Plains, has setting goals.' been selected to attend the Junior In addition to examining nomiddle school students.

pate in educational activities and being a leader. presentations led by individuals country took shape.

ers," said Mike Lasday, "The Board of Embassies. leadership exercises developed by the Junior National Young us at http://www.cylc.org. Leaders Conference will chal-

Taylor of Lawrenceville, Geor- strategically when it comes to gia and grandson of Burlie and teamwork, problem-solving and

CYLC is a nonprofit educa-

WASHINGTON D.C.—Trae lenge the students to think and act

National Young Leaders Confer- table U.S. leaders and historic ence (JrNYLC) from August 2 to figures, Taylor will study the im-August 7, 2003 in Washington, pact of leadership throughout D.C. Jr NYLC is a unique leader- critical periods of American hisship development program for tory, including the Civil War and Reconstruction, World War II, Themed The Legacy of American the Great Depression and the Leadership, the Conference in- Civil Rights Movement. Upon troduces young people to the rich completion of Jr.NYLC, students tradition of leadership through- will take home a greater underout American history, while help-standing of the role of the indiing them develop their own lead- vidual in American democracy, ership skills. Taylor will particias well as the responsibilities of

in positions of leadership. Stu-tional organization. Founded in dents will also visit national land- 1985, it is committed to fostering marks, including Colonial and inspiring young people to Williamsburg, from which our achieve their full leadership potential. More than 400 members "While most students read of the U.S. Congress join this about leadership in books. Trae commitment by serving on the Taylor will complement class- CYLC Honorary Congressional room studies by walking along Board of Advisors. In addition, the same paths and hallways as more than 25 embassies particisome of our country's great lead- pate in the Council's Honorary

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Scranton Musical Set for August 2nd Come join the fun!

Saturday, August 2, at the com- ceeds from the kitchen go tomunity center. The kitchen volunteers arc L.D. Baird and his helpers. They will begin serving at 5:30. The music begins at 6:00 with Mark Ray as emcee. All area musicians are invited to play. You may call 325-692-2057 to reserve a time for your is encouraged. Your participagroup. Please come out for good tion will be appreciated.

The Scranton musical will be food and entertainment. All proward the operation of the com-

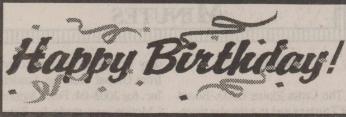
munity center. The quarterly meeting will be at 3:00 on Tuesday, August 5 at the community center Officers for the coming year are to be elected. Everyone's attendance

IT'S A BOY



Haden Michael Carter was born at 2:57 a.m. in Plano, Texas at Plano Medical City to Brian and Rhonda Carter. Haden weighed 9 pounds 1 ounce and was 22 inches long with dark hair and blue eyes.

Haden's proud grandparents are Ron and Sherrian Conway of Cross Plains. The proud father is the Computer/Financial Director for Region 10 in Dallas, and the proud mother is Training Director for The Cooper Institute in Dallas and an accomplished marathon runner who qualified for The Boston Marathon in 2004. Brian and Rhonda graduated from Texas A&M and hope Haden will be in the class of 2025.



Maxine Kellar Jerry Erwin Ricky Potter R.B. Dillard, Jr. J.H. Byrd Lauretta Bomar Mrs. Zed Bright Vivian Franke Lewis Mrs. Billy E. Pope Oneitta Fortenberry R. H. Wooten Zachary Hinkle Tammy (Guill) Brown

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JULY 28 Jerry Worley David Clark Rodgers Debbie Jan McNeel **Ethel Collier** Nicole Peterson Lori Erwin K-Trina Sue Meador David Ingram White Dewanna Darlene Wyatt Lona Rutledge Mrs. Lon Duncan Michael Klinger John Wagner Kelley Rene Harris Carrie Ferrll (Kay) Green

JULY 29 Shannon Nichols David Gray

Corrine Barnett Linda Joyce Gambill **Eula Covington** Linda (Gould) Brady Ashlee (Hutchins) Mathews Wesley Kyle Scott

JULY 30 Cheryle Marie Toothaker Chris Strength Betty King Westerman Emily (Horan) Williams Roy Stambaugh Chris Sims Randy Walker Randy Pancake Gary Odom Rev. Jimmy Mobley Larry Crockett Sheryl Ann White Mary Coggin Donnie Gardner Robert C. Walton Jamette Turner Tommy Burrhus

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2003 sales tax holiday is August 1-3

up on clothes and shoes without paying sales tax August 1-3, Texas Comptroller Carole Keeton Strayhorn announced.

"I love the Sales Tax Holiday. It's the one time where hardworking Texas families get to keep more of their dollars in their pockets for their families' priorities. The fifth annual Sales Tax Holiday will be held the first Friday, Saturday and Sunday of August," Strayhorn said. "During the Sales Tax Holiday most clothes and shoes priced under \$100 are exempt from state and local sales taxes."

Strayhorn estimates Texans will save \$43.8 million in sales tax, including \$34.6 million in state sales tax and \$9.2 million in local sales taxes.

Examples of items that can be purchased tax-free August 1-3 include kids' clothes and school uniforms, adults' clothes and work uniforms, shoes, tennis shoes, sleepwear and underclothes for the entire family, as long as the items are priced under \$100 each.

Curtis Potter to Headline **Jamboree**

Western recording artist Curtis Ashlee Mathews. Potter will headline the next Big State Jamboree musical review at the root of her problem has not the Paramount Theatre in down- yet been determined. Her family town Abilene on Saturday, July appreciates 26, at 6:30 p.m.

cost \$7 for adults, \$6 for senior prayers. citizens and teen-agers 12 to 18, and are available at the Paramount Theatre, KBCY Radio and many retial outlets. Tickets at the door are \$8, while children 12 and younger get in free.

A revival of a popular Abilene event during the 1950s, the Jamboree blends performances by seasoned professionals with aspiring artists who have auditioned for the show. The result is a Grand Old Opry meets American Idol production that appeals to young and old audiences alike. Indeed, the first "all-new" Jamboree May 31 received a warm reception from a full house of music fans. The effort to produce a monthly show has been organized by a non-profit group Texas Music Saturday Night Big State Jamboree. As its success grows, the group plans to donate profits to local charities.

At the July show, headliner Curtis Potter, whose CDs are produced by Arlington-based Southland Records, will perform songs from his latest collection, "The Best of Curtis Potter". Potter has family ties in Cross Plains. Next on the lineup is the

Abilene band Swing Shift, which The proposed amendment will appear on will perform its own material, as well as back up local talents Troy Barr and Twyla Foreman. Ronnie Gill and the Buffalo Bluegrass will perform bluegrass tunes—a musical genre that has seen a tremendous rise in interest during the past years.

music group Close to My Heart will perform Gospel music, while the band Salt Creek-whose yields no revenue. members hail from Abilene. Merkel and Cross Plains—will perform its blend of folk and

Aspiring artists who want to ree, as they are planned monthly constructing a religious facility." until the end of the year, can send tapes or compact discs to Justin Case at KBCY Radio, 2525 South Danville Drive, Abilene, Texas SJR 30 would authorize the legislature to

August 30 at the Paramount The- Also, the amendment would authorize the atre. Producer Silas Tucker says he's hoping Western Swing artist Jody Nix will agree to headline Tarrant Regional Water District or a con-

boree, check out its web site at www.bigstatejamboree.com.

AUSTIN-Shoppers can stock on the Legislature to add backpacks, school supplies and safety gear for Texas children to the Tax Exempt list; they have failed to do so.

> Items that cannot be purchased tax-free include handbags, wallets, jewelry, accessories, athletic shoes and sports apparel that are not normally street wear. backpacks and school supplies.

> Since the first Sales Tax Holiday in 1999, the annual threeday event has saved Texans an estimated \$150.2 million in sales tax, including \$118.5 million in state sales tax and \$31.7 million in local sales tax.

"During these tough economic times, I believe Texas families will once again take full advantage of this well-deserved tax break to make their dollars go farther," Strayhorn said.

For more information about the Sales Tax Holiday, including a list of tax-exempt and nonexempt items, visit the Comptroller's Web site at http:/ /www.window.state.tx.us/ taxinfo/taxpubs/ Strayhorn has repeatedly called tx96_237_2_03.html#holiday,

Love Fund Open for **Mathews Baby**

The Love Fund established for Kinlee Mathews at Texas Heritage Bank remains open. Kinlee is the ABILENE-Country and infant daughter of George and

Kinlee is greatly improved but your generous contributions and ask for you to Advance tickets to the show continue to keep Kinlee in your

Commissioners approve funding for September 13 Amendment Election

ers voted to appropriate \$7,000 in this year's budget to fund a Constitutional Amendment Election in Callahan County set for September 13, 2003.

action Monday, July 14 during a regular commissioners' court meeting held at the County Courthouse in Baird.

The State Legislature has mandated the November Constitutional Amendment Election be moved to September 13, 2003 and commissioners voted to add \$7,000 to the 2002-2003 fiscal year budget to pay for the elec-

On a motion by Charlie Grider and second by Bryan Farmer, commissioners voted 4-0 to move this year's Constitutional Amendment Election to Saturday, September 13. There are some 20 Constitutional Amendments to be considered by Texans on this year's ballot. A public notice on the Constitutional Amendments will appear in next week's newspaper:

Commissioners also voted to appoint the election judges alternate judges and polling places for August 2003 through July 2004. On a motion by Commissioner Tommy Holland and second by Commissioner Farmer, commissioners voted 4-0 to appoint the judges, alternate judges and polling places.

The polling places for county elections through July 2004 include: Precinct #1 Clyde: Clyde Lions Club; Precinct #2 Eula: Eula Lions Club; Precinct #3 Baird: Baird Housing Authority; Precinct #4 Cross Plains: Cross Plains Community Center; Precinct #5 Putnam: Putnam Community Center; Precinct #6 Clyde: Clyde Southside Baptist Church: Precinct #7 Oplin: Oplin Community Center; Early Voting: Baird Courthouse Room

Callahan County Commission- 107; Branch Early Voting: Clyde Justice of the Peace office; and Branch Early Voting: Cross Plains Justice of the Peace of-

Election judges and alternate The commissioners took the judges include: Precinct #1: Judge Anita Chapman, Alternate Silas Tucker; Precinct #2: Judge Doyle Hughes, Alternate Pat Logan; Precinct #3: Judge Linda Kendrick, Alternate Pat Holland: Precinct #4: Judge John Swift, Alternate Dorothy Petty; Precinct #5: Judge Meta Isenhower, Alternate Beth Petty; Precinct #6: Judge Nicki Harle, Alternate Fannie Froman; Precinct #7: Judge Trent Gee, Alternate Shirley Landers; Early Ballot Board Judge Dorthy

> Other agenda items brought before the commissioners' court

-The meeting was called to order at 9:30 a.m. by Harold Hicks, Judge Pro-Tem. Attending the meeting were Commissioners Hicks, Farmer, Holland, Grider, Country Treasurer Dianne Alexander and County Clerk Jeanie Bohannon

—The minutes of the commissioners' court meeting June 23 was approved as presented.

-There was no public com-

—Commissioner Farm made a motion to approve taking Private Road 2501 in Precinct #2 (Eula) into the County Road System and name the roadway as County Road 251. Commissioner Holland seconded and the motion carried 4-0.

-Commissioner Grider made a motion to pay the current bills. Commissioner Hicks seconded and the motion carried 4-0.

-Commissioner Holland made a motion to adjourn, Commissioner Farmer seconded and the motion carried 4-0.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

BRIEF EXPLANATORY STATEMENTS OF PROPOSED CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS

> SPECIAL ELECTION SEPTEMBER 13, 2003

PROPOSITION 1 (HJR 68, Section 1)

HJR 68, Section 1 would authorize the Veterans' Land Board to use excess receipts in the Veterans' Land and Veterans' Housing Assistance funds for payment of revenue bonds, and use excess assets in those funds to provide veterans

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment authorizing the Veterans' Land Board to use assets in certain veterans' land and veterans' housing assistance funds to provide veterans homes for the aged or infirm and to make principal, interest, and bond enhancement payments on revenue bonds."

PROPOSITION 2 (HJR 51)

HJR 51 would expand from six months to two years the period in which the former owner of a mineral interest that was sold for unpaid property taxes may buy back the

the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment to establish a two-year period for the redemption of a mineral interest sold for unpaid ad valorem taxes at a

PROPOSITION 3 (HJR 55)

HJR 55 would authorize the legislature to The Abilene-based Christian exempt from taxation land owned by a religious organization that is leased for use as a school or that will be used to expand or construct a place of religious worship that

The proposition will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment to authorize the legislature to exempt from ad valorem taxation property owned by a religious organization that is leased for use as a school or that is audition for an upcoming Jambo- owned with the intent of expanding or

PROPOSITION 4 (SJR 30)

allow conservation and reclamation districts to use taxes to develop and finance The next Jamboree is slated for certain parks and recreation facilities. legislature to allow local elections for the issuance of bonds to improve and maintain parks and recreational facilities in the servation and reclamation district located whole or in part in Bastrop, Bexar, To stay up-to-date on the Jam- Brazoria, Fort Bend, Galveston, Harris, Montgomery, Tarrant, Travis, Waller or Williamson County.

The proposition will appear on the ballot as "The constitutional amendment relating to the provision of parks and recreational facilities by certain conservation and reclamation districts."

PROPOSITION 5 (SJR 25)

5JR 25 would authorize the legislature to exempt from all property taxes certain tangible personal property, which could include a travel trailer not substantially affixed to real estate and not used as a residential dwelling.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment to authorize the legislature to exempt from ad valorem taxation travel trailers not held or used for the production of income."

PROPOSITION 6 (HJR 23)

HJR 23 would authorize a qualified homeowner to refinance a home equity loan with a reverse mortgage loan

The proposition will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment permitting refinancing of a home equity loan with a reverse mortgage."

PROPOSITION 7 (HJR 44)

HJR 44 would reduce the number of persons who make up the jury in a district court criminal misdemeanor case from

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment to permit a six-person jury in a district court misdemeanor trial."

PROPOSITION 8 (HJR 62)

HJR 62 would authorize the legislature to permit a person to assume office without an election if the person is the only candidate to qualify in an election for that office and the election is required by the Texas Constitution. This proposition applies to state and local political subdivisions, whereas Proposition 18 applies only to local political subdivisions

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment authorizing the legislature to permit a person to take office without an election if the person is the only candidate to qualify in an election for that

PROPOSITION 9 (HJR 68, Section 2)

HJR 68, Section 2 would redefine the com-

position of the permanent and available school funds by requiring during the next two fiscal years, and authorizing thereafter, annual distributions to the available school fund of a percentage of any increase in the value of the permanent school fund's total

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment relating to the use of income

PROPOSITION 10 (HJR 61)

HJR 61 would authorize municipalities to donate surplus fire-fighting equipment, supplies, or materials to the Texas Forest Service, which would be authorized to distribute based on need the equipment to rural volunteer fire departments.

The proposition will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment authorizing municipalities to donate surplus fire-fighting equipment or supplies for the benefit of rural volunteer fire departments."

PROPOSITION 11 (HJR 85)

HJR 85 would authorize the legislature to regulate the operation of wineries in Texas. regardless of whether a winery is located in an area in which the sale of wine has been authorized by local option election.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "A constitutional amendment to allow the legislature to enact laws authorizing and governing the operation of wineries in this state."

PROPOSITION 12 (HJR 3)

HJR 3 would immediately authorize the Legislature to limit non-economic damages assessed against a provider of medical or health care and, after January 1, 2005, to limit awards in all other types of cases.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment concerning civil lawsuits against doctors and health care providers, and other actions, authorizing the legislature to determine limitaons on non-economic damages."

PROPOSITION 13 (HJR 16)

HJR 16 would authorize a county, city, town, and junior college district to freeze property taxes on a residential homestead of a person who is disabled or aged 65 or

The proposition will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment to permit counties, cities and towns, and junior college districts to establish an ad valorem tax freeze on residence homesteads of the disabled and of the elderly and their spouses."

PROPOSITION 14 (HJR 28)

HJR 28 would authorize the Texas Department of Transportation to issue

Paul Walker, Merle and Gene her house painting. Amos of Midland visited with Andy and Andrew.

Brant Donaldson of Odessa Wednesday. He is Bill and Eddie Strickland's cousin.

working to get the Burkett Volunteer Fire Department started. LaVern Scott of Cross Plains won the 1/2 beef that tickets were sold for on July 4th. We want to thank everyone for their support to make the fund-raiser a success.

Anyone wishing to assist in any way with our Fire Department, please let us know. Contact Dana Veteto, Randy Golson, Cody Golson, David Dean or Eddic Strickland. A Garage Sale is being planned. No date has been decided on yet.

Dawn Hill and children, Cheyenne and Garrett, visited her par-

Andy Walker, of Hawaii, vis- ents, Beth and Bob Kleiber, sevited his dad, Andrew Walker. eral days. Dawn helped Beth with

This is a continued list of donations received for the upkeep of the Burkett-Adams Cemeteries: visited Lovera Strickland last Virgil Adams \$25; Bonnie Barr \$20; W.O. Russell \$50; Estelle Nielson (In Memory of Harry The Burkett Community is still James McFerrin, Edith Elizabeth McFerrin, Patsy Burns McFerrin Hicks) \$25; Bob and Bonnie Illingworth \$50; Cora Robertson \$100; Janet Hounshell \$25; Mrs. Clifford Hill \$25; Janie Brown Hemphill \$20; Howard and Beadie Baker \$50; Ereta Whitley \$50; Robert and Maywe Cross \$25; Virgil Burkett \$100; Jewel Barnett \$10; Jim and Myra Holmans \$100; Donnie Neff \$20; Barbara Chambers \$100; May Hiller (In Memory of C.C. Gould, Jr.) \$50; Sherrie Shirky \$50; and Buddy Thate \$15.

Many thanks for all the donations received.

IT'S A BOY



Janiesa, Jesse, and Shania Hutton are proud to announce the birth of their baby brother.....Dalton Lane born June 18, 2003 at 6:15 p.m. He weighed 7 pounds 8 ounces and was 21 inches long.

Proud grandparents are J.D. and Sandy Hutton of Cross Plains, and LaDena Best of Nebraska. Great-grandparents are Cowan and Laverne Hutton of Cross Plains and Lester and Jewel Linney of Rising Star. Proud parents are Jamie and Mary Hutton.

notes or borrow money to fund highway improvement projects. The terms of the notes or loans may not exceed two years. The proposition will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment providing for authorization of the issuing of notes or the borrowing of money on a short-term basis by a state transportation agency for transportationrelated projects, and the issuance of bonds and other public securities secured by the state highway fund.

PROPOSITION 15 (HJR 54)

HJR 54 would prohibit a local retirement system and the political subdivision that finances the retirement system from reducing or otherwise impairing certain accrued benefits under the local retirement system.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The Constitutional amendment providing that certain benefits under certain local public retirement systems may not be reduced or

PROPOSITION 16 (SJR 42)

SJR 42 would amend the Texas Constitution to allow home equity lines of credit and allow refinancing of a home equity loan with a reverse mortgage loan.

The proposition will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment authorizing a home equity line of credit, providing for administrative interpretation of home equity lending law, and otherwise relating to the making, refinancing, repayment, and enforcement of home equity loans."

PROPOSITION 17 (HJR 21)

HJR 21 would prohibit an increase in school property taxes on residence homesteads of disabled persons.

The proposition will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment to prohibit an increase in the total amount of school district ad valorem taxes that may be imposed on the residence homestead of a disabled person."

PROPOSITION 18 (HJR 59)

HJR 59 would authorize the legislature to permit a person to assume an office of a political subdivision without an election if the person is the only candidate to qualify in an election for that office and the election is required by the Texas Constitution. This proposition applies only to local political subdivisions, whereas Proposition 8 applies to state and local political subdivi-

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment authorizing the legislature to permit a person to assume an office of a political subdivision without an election if the person is the only candidate to qualify in an election for that office."

PROPOSITION 19 (SJR 45)

SJR 45 would repeal the legislature's

authority to create rural fire prevention districts. Effective September 1, 2003, all existing rural fire prevention districts will convert to emergency services districts.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment to repeal the authority of the legislature to provide for the creation of rural fire prevention districts."

PROPOSITION 20 (SJR 55)

SJR 55 would authorize the issuance of general obligation bonds in a total amount not to exceed \$250 million that will be used to provide loans for economic development projects that benefit defense-related nities in Texas.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment authorizing the issuance of general obligation bonds or notes not to exceed \$250 million payable from the general revenues of the state to provide loans to defense-related communities, that will be repaid by the defense-related community, for economic development projects, including projects that enhance the military value of military

PROPOSITION 21 (SJR 19)

SJR 19 would authorize current and retired faculty members of a public institution of higher education to receive compensation for service as a member of the governing body of a water district.

The proposition will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment to permit a current or retired faculty member of a public college or university to receive compensation for service on the governing body of a water district."

PROPOSITION 22 (HJR 84)

HJR 84 would authorize the appointment of a temporary replacement officer to serve on behalf of a state, district, or local public officer who is called into active military duty for longer than 30 days.

The proposition will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment authorizing the appointment of a temporary replacement officer to fill a vacancy created when a public officer enters active duty in the United States armed

Estos son los informes explanatorios sobre las enmiendas propuestas a la constitución que aparecerán en la boleta el 13 de septiembre de 2003. Si usted no ha recibido una copia de los informes en español, podrá obetener una gratis llamando al 1/800/252/8683 o escribiendo al Secretario de Estado, P.O. Box 12060, Austin, TX 78711.

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The family of Kinlee Mathews

CARD OF THANKS

The family of Annie Mae Wright would like to thank each of you that came to the house, sent food and beautiful flowers. We would like to give a special thank you to the ladies of the Methodist Church for the meal on Saturday. Your kind words, prayers and concerns means a great deal to us. Sincerely,

Russell and Betty Wright & family Billie and Danny Harris & family Paula and Tony Winfrey & family

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We just wanted you to know tat we love and appreciate you all for all the help, and kindnesses you

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family during his lengthy illness and death.

We appreciate so much the visits, calls, cards, beautiful flowers, donations made on his behalf, and especially your prayers.

Thank you also for the food brought to the house and the wonderful meal prepared for us at First Baptist Church.

Thank you Bro. Ronnie for your faithful visits, and loving care for our family and for the wonderful service. Thank you Bro. Burlie for your love and special words.

Thank you Bob and Dee Harrell for your special help at this time. We have been truly blessed by the outpouring of love from our community.

Thank you again and with much gratitude.

Wesley Ingram Patsy Moran and family Sherry Harris and family Barbara Dillard and family Edith Beggs and family Wanda Tyler, Mike Ingram, and Mack Ingram

ANNOUNCEMENTS

RISING STAR FARMS FOUNDATION will be taking a 2 month summer break from the heat. Our Fall Session will begin September 15th. If you are interested in volunteering or know someone with special needs that would benefit from therapeutic horsemanship give us a call or stop by during regular business hours M-F (9-4:30pm). Phone (254) 643-1177. Sign up early this session fills up quick! 18-11c

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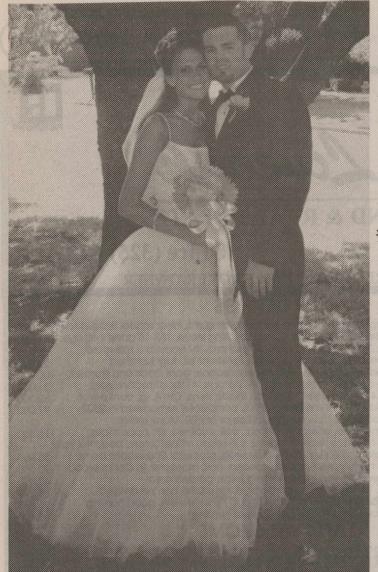
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Jarad Landon Richards were Lopez of Waco, Jaden Winfrey of married July 12, 2003, at Coggin Avenue Baptist Church in Brownwood with the Rev. Joe Coppinger officiating. A reception followed in the Fellowship Hall of the church.

The bride is the daughter of Col. and Mrs. Gordon Kennedy of Brownwood and Mr. and Mrs. Doyle Combs of Colorado Springs, Colorado. The bridegroom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Monty Richards of Cross Plains. Jarad's grandparents are Mary Pancake of Brownwood, Glen organ music for the processional and Mardell Harmes of Cross of the bride and the recessional of Plains and Wes Richards of Mr. and Mrs. Jarad Richards. Dr. Clyde; great-grandparents are Gary Gray of Coggin Avenue mer," said Steve Rhode, presi-L.D. Koenig of Cross Plains, Baptist Church, was the music dent and co-founder of up a storm, divide the money Ima Pearl Maxwell of Abilene, coordinator. and Mary Harmes of Coleman.

The maid of honor was Rachel Combs, sister of the bride, of Los Angeles, California. The best man was Coby Richards, brother of the groom, of Cross Plains. The bridesmaids were Heather Rountree of Denton, Sara Merrick of Abilene, Kelsee Richards, sister of the groom, and Crystal Scott of San Angelo. Groomsmen were Joseph Turner, Zach Edington of Cross Plains, John Elder and Keith Meador of Bangs. Ushers were Ryan Combs, brother of the bride, of

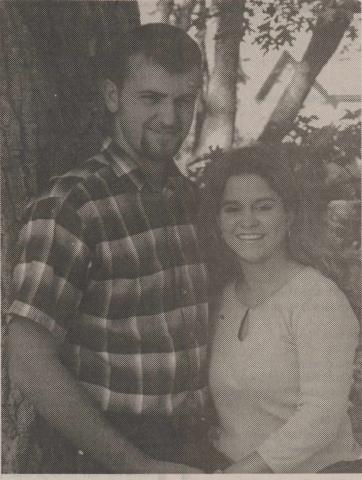
Renee Elizabeth Combs and Springdale, Arkansas, Jesse Cross Plains, Chase Fishback, Matt Allen and Doug Newton of Brownwood.

> The flower girl was Kyler Caraway of DeLeon, cousin of the groom. The soloist was Rachel Combs. Ryan Combs gave the Prayer of Dedication and Blessing. The pianist was Carol Williamson of Brownwood. The mother of the bride, Gail Kennedy, who also is the organist at the Coggin Avenue Baptist Church, pre-programmed the

> The bride graduated from Brownwood High School in 2001 and has been attending Angelo State University. continue her education in the Austin area.

The groom is a 2002 graduate of Howard Payne University and taught one year at Troy I.S.D. He is currently employed at Lexington I.S.D. as a high school coach and math teacher.

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Benefit Dance for Arlene Sanders

Sanders of Clyde being held this Friday night at the Grand Ole Oplin. Arlene is one of our long time dancers and volunteers here at the Grand Ole Oplin and she is also in charge of the Clyde Senior Citizens Center. Arlene has always been a strong supporter of her community and now its our turn to support her. This benefit is being held to assist Arlene with necessary expenses while she is receiving medical treatment down in Houston.

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