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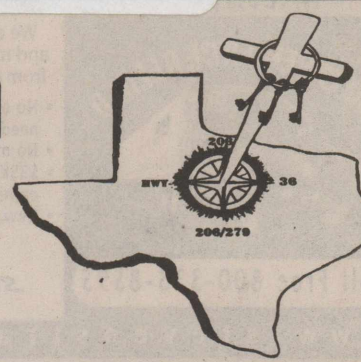
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## DOWN HOME

**EDITOR'S NOTE:** The following story may be fictional, but it has a very real-to-life application. As you read it, see if it applies to any areas of your life and what action you might need to take.

Vanda Anderson

Once upon a time two brothers who lived on adjoining farms fell into conflict. It was the first serious rift in 40 years of farming side by side, sharing machinery and trading labor and goods without a hitch. Then the long partnership fell apart. It began with a small misunderstanding and it grew into a major difference, and finally it exploded into an exchange of bitter words followed by weeks of silence.

One morning there was a knock on the elder brother's door. He opened it to find a man with a carpenter's toolbox. "I'm looking for a few days work," he began, "Perhaps you would have a few small jobs here and there I could help you with... Can I help you with anything?" he ask.

"Yes," said the elder brother, "As a matter of fact, I do have a job for you. Look across the creek at that farm. That's my neighbor, in fact, it's my younger brother. Last week there was a meadow between us and he took his bulldozer to the river levee, and now there is a creek between us. Well, he may have done this to spite me, but I'll go him one better. See that pile of lumber out by the barn? I want you to build me a fence 8 feet tall, so I won't have to see his place or his face anymore."

The carpenter said, "I think I understand the situation. Show me the nails and the post-hole digger and I'll be able to do a job that pleases you." The elder brother had to go to town, so he helped the carpenter get the materials together, and then he was off for the day.

The carpenter worked hard all day measuring, sawing and nailing. About sunset when the farmer returned, the carpenter had just finished the job.

The farmer got out of his truck, and glanced toward the creek. His eye's opened wide, his jaw dropped. There was no fence at all. It was a bridge - stretching from one side of the creek to the other! A fine piece of work, hand-rails and all, and the neighbor, his younger brother was coming across, his hand outstretched.

"You are quite a brother to build this bridge after all I've said and done!" The elder brother walked across the bridge too, and they met in the middle and embraced each other.

They turned to see the carpenter hoist his toolbox on his shoulder. "No wait!" the elder brother cried out, "I've got a lot of other projects for you." "I'd love to stay on," the carpenter replied, "but I've got many more bridges to build.

The ministry of reconciliation is bridge building. And after the bridge is built, we gotta get over it!

## Biblical Artifacts on Project Pride Encouragement Exhibit at First Baptist Church June 13-15th

An original, first printing of the King James Bible will be featured at First Baptist Church, June 13-15th, from 7:00-8:30 p.m. each night as part of a movable Bible Museum exhibit teaching the history and significance of the Bible. Mr. Maisel, the exhibit curator, will be there to answer questions and give presentations at that time.

Numerous other ancient and rare authentic Biblical artifacts will be shown in the exhibit. An actual page from the first book printed with movable type, the 1450 Gutenberg Bible, will also be on view. Manuscripts in Hebrew, Greek, Ethiopic and Latin, including early Christian papyrus (A.D. 250-450) will be available for examination.

"Steps in the Story", leaves from the actual Biblical publications by the Reformers, Martin Luther, William Tyndale, John Rogers, Miles Coverdale and John Calvin will be exhibited, as well as leaves from the first Bibles produced by the English Catholic exiles at Rheims and Douay.

"Seeing the basic story of how we got the Bible laid out and explained as a simple narrative has helped many people, even schol-

ars to gain a better understanding of the Book they have been reading for years. They say what they've learned also helps them respond when friends ask about the Scriptures," said exhibitor curator, F.J. (Rusty) Maisel.

A recognized authority on the authentication of rare Bibles, He says for most of his life he has had questions about "The Book". His search for answers has led to over twenty-five years of studying and collecting original documents throughout America, Europe and Israel.

Maisel states, "The Bible itself tells us, *God will preserve His Word*. To say I believe that, is still an expression of faith. But the years I've experienced investigating that subject have only strengthened my belief in the validity of the Scriptural texts."

This Exhibit will be on display at the First Baptist Church, Cross Plains in association with Vacation Bible School. Rusty & Trish Maisel will also be available during this time to answer your questions.

To view such an exceptional collection from Bible history so close to home may truly be a "once in a lifetime" experience! Everyone is welcome.

Project Pride would like to encourage all of Cross Plains to join them in hosting the annual gathering of Robert E. Howard enthusiasts on Friday and Saturday, June 11th and 12th. Fans from all over the nation will attend.

The Howard Museum on West Hwy. 36 will serve as the center for activities. Tours of the home and area will be conducted and panel discussions held. There is no admission charge. The public is invited. The pavilion will serve as a place for visitation both days. A special cancellation will be offered on Saturday morning. You will also have the opportunity to purchase Howard Books and have them signed by the author



THE HOME OF ROBERT E. HOWARD

and/or editors. Numbered Limited Editions, First Editions and Collector's Editions, some very rare, will be available.

## Festival Presents something New for Kids of all Ages

The Cross Plains Barbarian Festival is this Saturday, June 12th. New to the festival this year is our kids area. This area is on the Senior Citizens parking lot and will feature performances by the Praising Puppets from Clyde. Also there will be an inflatable obstacle course, pony rides,

bounce house and jousting ring. Be sure to visit the duck pond, sand dig, face painting, dunking booth and much more.

The parade will start the day at 9:00 a.m. followed by the car, motorcycle and tractor show. There will be over 35 food and craft booths. Entertainment

throughout the day will feature Class of '57, Texas Tornadoes and Swing Shift. Make your plans now for a Fun Filled Day. There will be something for everyone.

For more information call 725-6498 or 725-6692

Submitted by Susan McNeel



COOK OFF WINNERS—Hillbillies & Hippies (from left), T-N-T Terry Fortune, Fearless Fernandez, Dana's Famous Brisket-N-Ribs, KEAN, B&W Towing. (Moss Bros. Ranch not pictured)

## The Cross Plains Roping Club says "Thank You"

The Cross Plains Roping Club would like to say "Thank You" to all of the people that have participated and encouraged us in this endeavor. You have been patient, kind and we would like for to know just how much we appreciate all that you have done to make this a success.

KEAN radio and especially Rudy Fernandez for his encouragement, time and help in so many ways. Johnson's Dry Goods for their donation, Debbie Gosnell and the City of Cross Plains and the Economic Development for all their efforts, Annie Ray for spraying, *The Cross Plains Review*, Robert Liner for his time and expertise at the horsemanship clinic, The Moss Brothers Ranch for donating equipment for clean up, Highway 36 Motel, Rick Potter for making and furnishing the trophies, Roland Jones for doing such a good job.

And a "Special Thank You" to all the members of the Roping Club, for all your hard work,

dedication and ability to pull together as a team to get this thing going and make it work, and you did it! Thank you once again.

We would like to extend our deepest apologies to anyone who may have been offended in any way.

**Winners of the Turkey Creek Cook-Off**

**Beans:**  
1st Place - Dana's Famous Brisket-n-Ribs - Cross Plains  
2nd Place-B&W Towing - Clyde  
3rd Place-KEAN - Abilene

**Chili:**  
1st Place-T-N-T - Burkett  
2nd Place-Moss Brothers Ranch - Cross Plains  
3rd Place-KEAN - Abilene

**Chicken:**  
1st Place - Dana's Famous Brisket-n-Ribs - Cross Plains  
2nd Place - The Hillbillies & Hippies - Hawley  
3rd Place-T-N-T - Burkett

**Ribs:**  
1st Place-B&W Towing - Clyde  
2nd Place - The Hillbillies & Hippies - Hawley

**3rd Place - Dana's Famous Brisket-n-Ribs - Cross Plains**  
**Brisket:**  
1st Place - The Hillbillies & Hippies - Hawley  
2nd Place-T-N-T- Burkett  
3rd Place - Dana's Famous Brisket-n-Ribs - Cross Plains

## Ex-Students Reunion to be held June 12th

The 84th Annual Ex-Students Reunion of the Cook, Crocker, Curtis, Gunn, Hickman, Liberty, Peak, Sabanno, and Pioneer schools will be held on Saturday, June 12, 2004 at the Cross Plains Community Center. Registration and coffee at 8:30 a.m., lunch at 12:30 catered by Del Rich of Eastland. All ex'es and friends are welcome.

Submitted by Frances G. Taylor

## Senior Citizen's Bake and Book Sale this weekend

The Senior Citizens are having a book, bake and craft sale Saturday, June 12th, during the Barbarian Festival. The sale will be located in the building north of the library. Donations of cakes, pies, candy, etc. will be appreciated.

You may drop you baked goods off at the Senior Citizens Center between 9:00 a.m. and 1:00 p.m. on Friday. Come fill a sack with books for only \$3.00, buy some baked goodies and go home and relax.

## Band Places 3rd in San Antonio Parade

On April 23, 2004 the Cross Plains High School Band traveled to San Antonio. The band consisted of many 7th and 8th graders and 4 freshmen. The purpose of the trip was for the band to march in the Fiesta Flambeau Parade, (the parade of lights) which is held every year in San Antonio. The parade is a pre-celebration of the Cinco de Mayo.

One of the requirements of this parade is to wear some type of illumination. There were over 170 entries in the parade. There were bands from all over. There were several bands from Old Mexico, several military bands, bands from out of state and bands from the San Antonio area.

The parade is 2.6 miles in length, and the parade route takes you right down in front of the Alamo. There were several local television stations that even broadcast live as the parade took place.

The Cross Plains Band had a wonderful performance. Just last week they received a third place plaque from the parade.

I want to thank all the sponsors that went and endured the 2.6 miles also. You helped to make the trip a wonderful experience for everyone. Great job band!!!

## Band To hold Car Wash at the FUMC

On Saturday, June 12, 2004, from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. the Cross Plains Band will be holding a car wash at the First United Methodist Church. This fundraiser is to help them raise money for their camp. The car wash will be by donation. We hope to see you then.

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Jerry Eckhart, Pastor (254) 643-1027

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Morning Worship.....11:00 A.M.  
Evening Service.....6:00 P.M.  
Wednesday Bible Study & Prayer Time.....7:00  
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Church (254) 725-6266  
Friendly Church Bible Teaching

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Hwy. 36 at Rowden - 12 Miles West of Cross Plains  
SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP.....11:00 A.M.  
Pastor: Carl Mauldin  
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**NIMROD BAPTIST CHURCH**  
Sunday School.....10:00 A.M.  
Sunday Morning Worship.....11:00 A.M.  
Sunday Evening Worship.....6:00 P.M.  
**Bill Armstrong - Pastor**

**OBITUARY**

**Jerry Daniel Hollis**  
Jerry Daniel Hollis, 45, of Cross Plains, died Friday, June 4, 2004 at Abilene Regional Medical Center. Services were held at 2:00 p.m. Monday, June 7, 2004 at Higginbotham Funeral Home in Cross Plains with D.T. Crockett officiating. Burial will be at the Cross Plains Cemetery in Cross Plains, Texas.  
Mr. Hollis was born in Gorman, Texas on March 17, 1959 to Herbert and Vivian Alene (McFall) Hollis. He married Cheryl Franke on October 2, 1986 in Cross Plains.  
Jerry is survived by his wife, Cheryl Hollis of Cross Plains, two sons, Johnathan Hollis of Cross Plains and Jerry Daniel Hollis II of Abilene, three daughters, Tianay Joann Hollis of Cross Plains, Katherine Hollis of Abilene, Chrissy Hollis of Abilene, mother, Vivian Hollis of Rising Star; three brothers, Darrel Hollis, Kenneth Hollis and Larry Hollis all of Rising Star; two sisters, Linda Taylor and Glenda Hollis both of Rising Star; and four grandchildren.

**CROSS PLAINS CEMETERY ASSOCIATION REPORT FOR THE MONTH OF MARCH 2004**

<b>Donations &amp; Earnings</b>	
I/M Pam Koenig by M/M Alvin Hutchins	\$ 100.00
M/M Macon Freeman	100.00
Interest Added To Acct.	.33
CD Earn #8190	107.50
CD Earn #7719	418.98
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$726.81</b>
<b>Grave Opening Permits</b>	
2 Plots - Williams	\$ 150.00
Higginbotham Funeral Home for: Douglas Eakin & Martin	150.00
Higginbotham Funeral Home for: Harold Womack	75.00
Higginbotham Funeral Home for: Clois Clark, Ann Freeman, Glenn Merrill & Victor Long	300.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$675.00</b>

**CROSS PLAINS CEMETERY ASSOCIATION REPORT FOR THE MONTH OF APRIL 2004**


<b>Donations &amp; Earnings</b>	
Collis Eager	\$ 100.00
Interest Added To Acct.	.37
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$100.37</b>

No GOP to Report for this Month

**CROSS PLAINS CEMETERY ASSOCIATION TREASURER'S REPORT FOR 2003**

<b>BEGINNING BALANCE 01-01-2003</b>	<b>\$ 3,277.15</b>
<b>RECEIPTS - 2003</b>	
Gift Deposits	\$ 8,170.00
Interest on Now	6.93
Interest on CD's	4,221.89
Grave Opening Permits	2,100.00
Reverse Deposit Error	[-75.00]
<b>Total Receipts</b>	<b>\$14,423.82</b>
Plus Balance 01-01-2003	3,277.15
<b>Total Receipts &amp; Balances</b>	<b>17,700.97</b>
<b>DISBURSEMENTS - 2003</b>	
Mike Pritchard	\$ 7,450.00
Postage & Supplies	73.60
Extra Jobs - (Ellis Engraving)	7,340.00
Extra Jobs - (Lee Morris)	20.00
Saving Deposit Box	20.00
Clovis Simons & Sand	690.00
Other (Higginbothams)	92.71
<b>TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS</b>	<b>\$15,806.28</b>
<b>ENDING BALANCE DECEMBER 31, 2003</b>	<b>\$ 1,894.69</b>

**FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH FISHING TOURNAMENT**



**WHEN:**  
June 19, 2004. Starts @ 8:00 am till Noon  
**WHERE:**  
Pioneer Lake (Turkey Run Resort)  
**WHO:**  
All men. Everyone is invited.  
City wide invitation.  
Grab a kid, son, daughter, grandchild, neighbor.  
Bring someone and have fun.  
**(No Entry Fee)**  
Hot dogs, chips, and soft drinks will be served.  
Prizes will be awarded for the largest fish in each category (bass, perch, catfish, crappie) and for the most fish caught.  
You are welcome to bring a boat. Any child riding in a boat must have on a life jacket at all times.  
**MATTHEW 4:19**

**COURTHOUSE NEWS**

**COUNTY COURT**  
Roger Corn, presiding

**Misdemeanor Filings**  
Mario Gonzales, failure to identify.  
Brent Allen Derossett, failure to identify.  
Tony L. Lockett, driving while license invalid (DWLI).  
John W. Freeman, assault.  
Joshua D. Teague, possession of marijuana.  
Anthony R. Elmore, driving while intoxicated (DWI).  
Gary Neil Chapman Jr., DWLI.  
Christopher Webster, fleeing or attempting to elude.  
Dennis Ray Hawley Jr., DWLI.  
Michael Q. Jones, DWI.

**Misdemeanor Minutes**  
Mark Anthony Brown, motion of affidavit of surety to surrender bond granted.  
Richard M. Stewart, order terminating deferred adjudication.  
Michael St. John, order extending probation granted.  
Patricio Ramos, motion to withdraw as surety and application for warrant granted.  
Roy Edward Sullivan, motion to withdraw as surety and application for warrant granted.  
Jason Travis-Lee Knapp, motion to withdraw as surety and application for warrant granted.  
Richard Salinas, motion to revoke probation granted.  
Alan Pool, motion to revoke probation granted.  
Kevin L. Hass, motion to dismiss to assault-mutual combat granted.  
Mario Gonzales, plea of guilty to failure to identify, 10 days in jail, \$218 court costs.

**Marriage Licenses**  
Jeffrey Clark Willis and Rachel Ann Ivey, both of Abilene.  
Nicholas Aaron Grider and April Diane Hall, both of Cross Plains.

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

**Civil Filings**  
Tammy Jean Dugan and William George Dugan, divorce.

**Civil Minutes**  
Lesla Harlean Harris and Billy Paul Harris, divorce.  
Sonia G. Harris and William D. Harris, divorce granted.  
Tamara Adele Jenkins and Travis Ray Jenkins, divorce granted.  
Diane Sanders and Merl Sanders, divorce granted.  
Lavon Reed and Forest Wayne Reed, divorce granted.

**Criminal Minutes**  
Leslie Kay Tyree, plea of guilty to possession of a controlled substance, 5 year probation, \$1500 fine, \$271 court costs, \$140 restitution.  
Zachary A. Patterson, motion to dismiss motion to revoke probation granted.

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Sunday's Sermon  
"Do You Remember Your Baptism?"

## Perry Cloud Wanda Anderson Critical Hospitalized

Perry Cloud who was raised in this area, fell at his home in Owens, Texas on May 9th. He is in critical condition in Harris Methodist Hospital in Fort Worth. Anyone that would like to send Perry a card can send it to:  
Harris Methodist Hospital  
Trauma ICU Room 2201  
1301 Pennsylvania Ave.  
Ft. Worth, TX 76104

Wanda Anderson, mother of Vanda Anderson was admitted to Hendrick Medical Center in Abilene, Texas on Friday, June 4, 2004. If anyone would like to send cards or well wishes, you may send them to:  
Hendrick Medical Center  
Wanda Anderson/Room 7710  
1900 Pine St.  
Abilene, TX 79601

### PIONEER NEWS

This Saturday will be the Pioneer and surrounding communities school reunion. Everyone is invited out to see old classmates and friends. Registration starts at 8:30 a.m. this year. Lunch will be at 12:30 p.m. at the cost of \$7.00 per plate. We hope to have a larger turn out than last year. Make plans to be at the Cross Plains Community Center on Saturday, June 12th.

We had a great day quilting Tuesday (even if it was a little hot). Laverne's "Pretty Lady" quilt was finished. It is one of a kind and it will surely be in our fall quilt show. It is well worth the effort to see, as are all the quilts we do! Olena has a beautiful "Tulip" top in the frame. We are coming right along on it. Frankie has her "Rail Fence" in. We are just getting started on it. These will be the last ones we do until September.

Our community was saddened last week by the death of Glen Fleming. He lived around Amarillo, and his funeral was there Tuesday, but he was brought back to Pioneer for burial and a graveside service, since all of his brothers and sisters are here. Many of his school mates from Cross Plains were at the funeral.

Earlene Burge and Jessica Stults were happy to have Betty Grenman and Kathryn Brown, both sisters of Earlene down for a few days. They came for the Memorial Service and for Glen's funeral. Iva Sue McNeel and Frances Taylor visited after the service. Betty, Iva Sue and Frances were classmates with Glen. They all started to school at Pioneer together and finished at Cross Plains.

Earlene attended the Memorial Day Service at which they thought was very good. Judge Bailey and Rep. Stenholm were the principal speakers. Rep. Stenholm had very good speech, and many people got to meet him. He represents the 17th district of Texas.

After the Memorial Service at Pioneer, Charlene Chesshir and her son, Charles and his wife Kathy and daughter Melenie went to Lake Leon, home of Christy and Doug Dallas. They had a big birthday dinner for Charlene and her twin Christene Cooper. Christy, Doug, Nancy and Kathy had a feast for us. Lots of good fish, fresh vegetables and birthday cake for the seventy-seventh birthday of the twins. Christene's daughter, Mary Jane Coventry and her two daughters came from Amarillo.

Laverne visited her granddaughter, Tabitha Jordan of Cisco, and her three little girls Tuesday morning. She and Cowan had a quiet Memorial weekend.

Glenda Phillips attended Krista's Award Ceremony Tuesday afternoon. She went to see Logan graduate from Pre-K on Thursday night. They were all so cute. They each said a nursery rhyme. When Logan unrolled his diploma, he said, "There is not anything wrote on it." He spent the night with Glenda Sunday night so he could go to the Memorial Service on Monday morning at Pioneer. He wanted to go see his Granpa Vernon's grave. Perry Cloud is in critical condition at the Harris Hospital in Ft. Worth. Wanda and Don stay with him during the week and Judy and Charles go on the weekends.

Linda Worley and her daughter, Misti Forbes and Magham visited Olena and Anna and other rela-

tives on the weekend. Benny came too. Bryan from Iowa Park called on Monday afternoon. They all seemed fine. Olena enjoyed seeing everyone and getting the phone calls.

Cross Timbers Association held their meeting at Magham Baptist Church. Great Blue Grass Gospel music by the Hico singers was enjoyed. A great supper and great preaching was also enjoyed. Frankie, Ilene and Wayne Smith attended it along with others from the Pioneer Baptist Church.

#### LAVERNE'S DRUTHERS

"If I had my Druther's" all right-handed people would have to live in a left-handed world for a week. I often hear the remark that left-handed people look so awkward. Right-handed people would look awkward too if they were using tools and rules made only for the left-handed!

If you would like to experience one adjustment that the left-handed have to make, get out pen and paper. Now, instead of writing from the left to the right, write from the right of the paper to the left. Write your name and a short sentence with the letters all in reverse. Awkward? That is only natural for the left-handed!

I don't do it, but some left-handed people curve their hand over and above where they are writing. Why? Perhaps to keep their hand from smearing the ink where they have just written, or maybe it's their way of coping with the right-handed rule of writing from left to right.

Did you ever notice a person picking up a magazine and turning the pages from the back to the front? Most likely they are left-handed, first glancing at articles, pictures, etc. Turning from the back to the front just come easy and natural for them.

Other inconveniences are the pull tabs to open milk jugs, frozen juice cans, the pour spouts on pots and pans, jar lids and caps, manual can openers and on and on the list could go. Most machines like sewing machines are all made for the right-handed. How about pianos and stringed instruments? Yes, they are all conveniently made for the right-handed.

I guess we left-handed people could march for our rights, but I'd "Druther" not. I think we that are left-handed are smart enough to know how to adjust to any right-handed situation. We've already come a long way!

I don't know who the first left-handed person was, or how they coped with their situation, but you can read about some who were left-handed in the Bible.

Ehud, the second judge of Israel, from the Tribe of Benjamin was left-handed. He used his left hand to an advantage for God's purpose. Judges 3:12-31.

The Tribe of Benjamin had 700 left-handed men in it's army. Everyone could sling stones at a hair breadth and not miss. Judges 20:15-16.

There were mighty men from the Tribe of Benjamin who came to David at Ziklag who were armed with bows and could use both the right hand and the left hand in hurling stones and shooting arrows. 1 Chronicles 12:1-2.

I've heard it said that the right side of the brain controls the left side of the body. If that be so, are we that are left-handed the only ones in our right mind?

Laverne Hutton

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## SENIOR CITIZENS MENU

JUNE 14 - 18

**MONDAY** - Chicken Spagetti, Tossed Salad, Corn, Pears, Bread, Milk

**TUESDAY** - Beef-A-Roni, Mixed Vegies, Cottage Cheese & Pineapples, Sugar Cookie, Bread, Milk

**WEDNESDAY** - Pork Chops w/ Gravy, Mashed Potatoes, Green Beans, Lemon Pudding, Bread, Milk

**THURSDAY** - Enchilada Casserole, Tossed Salad, Spanish Rice, Cherry Gelatin, Crackers, Milk

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## RISING STAR NURSING NEWS

BY LINDA MERRITT

This is the week we have been getting ready for. The Senior Olympic Games begin Friday at 10:00 a.m. We have fourteen residents participating in one or more of the five events, which consist of 12ft walk, Frizbe Throw, Ball Toss, Wheel-Chair Race and the Spelling Bee Contest. There will be hotdogs and watermelon after the games. All family and friends are welcome to come. An awards ceremony will be at 2:30 p.m. that afternoon. At this time we will recognize each resident and their accomplishments. Good luck to each one.

We are proud to welcome Donna Moore as our new Direc-

tor of Nurses. She had been the RN on the night shift. Congratulations Donna.

Thoughts and prayers for Roby Konegay and Mildred Free who are in the hospital.

A big Thank You to the Girl Scout Troop 226 and the Brownies for the cookies they brought us.

Our heartfelt sympathies and kindest thoughts are extended to the family of Ellie Elliot. May it comfort you to know that the prayers of others are with you at this time of sorrow. Thank you so much for sharing the beautiful flower with us.

Love Heals All.

## CROSS PLAINS GARDEN CLUB

BY Joyce Odom

The Cross Plains Garden Club met in a called meeting on June 4, 2004, at 2:00 p.m. in the American Legion Hall. Eva Fleming president called the meeting to order and called on Barbara Powell, first vice-president to state the purpose of the called meeting. Upon reading the requirements of a Bronze club, it was determined that is what our club will be. She also determined what our upcoming 2004-2005 theme will be - "There Is A Time" was chosen. Also, each member gave preferences as to what and when they would be on program or be responsible for one. Discussion followed about making por-

table signs for upcoming events, such as Flower Shows and Trade's Days and other Garden Club sponsored events. Julene Franke is to report on this.

At this time Sandy Lusk was welcomed into the membership. Barbara served a delicious cake that was cooked in a Nordic Ware Rose Bundt pan with iced tea. The refreshment table was covered in a deep green cloth and centered by a centerpiece of trumpet vine.

Members present were: Eva Fleming, Mary Ella Weaver, Wanda Martin, Sandy Lusk, Julene Franke and Joyce Odom.

Meeting adjourned to reconvene on the 2nd Friday in September 2004.

## PROCLAMATION

### ROBERT E. HOWARD DAY

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

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

NOW THEREFORE, I, Ray Purvis, Mayor of Cross Plains, Texas do hereby proclaim June 12, 2004, as **ROBERT E. HOWARD DAY** and invite citizens to join in the local commemoration.

In Witness thereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of Cross Plains to be affixed this the 1st day of June, 2004.

Ray Purvis, Mayor

## Barb's Cues

By Barbara Holmes Worcester

### LISTEN TO YOUR HEART

I do not think that God often speaks to us in an audible voice. I think we do hear Him in those thoughts or urges that come to us and will not go away.

MAY YOU HEAR HIM OFTEN. A teacher of origami (the ancient Japanese art of paper folding) at the LaFarge Lifelong Learning Institute in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, Art Beaudry was asked to represent the school at an exhibit at a large mall in Milwaukee.

He decided to take along a couple hundred folded paper cranes to pass out to people who stopped at his booth. Before that day, however, something strange happened - a voice told him to find a piece of gold foil paper and make a gold origami crane. The strange voice was so insistent that Art actually found himself rummaging through his collection of origami papers at home until he found one flat, shiny piece of gold foil.

"Why am I doing this?" he asked himself. Art had never worked with the shiny gold paper. It didn't fold as easily or neatly as the crisp multicolored papers. But that little voice kept nudging. Art harrumphed and tried to ignore the voice. "Why gold foil anyway? Paper is much easier to work with." He grumbled.

The voice continued, "Do it!

And you must have it away tomorrow to a special person." By now Art was getting a little cranky... "What special person?" he asked the voice. "You'll know which one," the voice said. That evening Art very carefully folded and shaped the unforgiving gold foil until it became as graceful and delicate as a real crane about to take flight. He packed the exquisite bird in the box along with about 200 colorful paper cranes he'd made over the previous few weeks.

The next day at the mall, dozens upon dozens of people stopped by Art's booth to ask questions about origami. He demonstrated the art. He folded, unfolded and refolded. He explained the intricate details, the need for sharp creases.

Then there was a woman standing in front of Art. The special person. Art had never seen her before, and she hadn't said a word as she watched him carefully fold a bright pink piece of paper into a crane with pointed, graceful wings.

Art glanced up at her face, and before he knew what he was doing, his hands were down in the big box that contained the supply of paper cranes. There it was, the delicate gold-foil bird he'd labored over the night before. He retrieved it and carefully placed it in the woman's hand. "I don't know why, but there's a very loud voice inside me tell-

ing me I'm supposed to give you this golden crane. The crane is the ancient symbol of peace." Art said simply.

The woman didn't say a word as she slowly cupped her small hand around the fragile bird as if it were alive. When Art looked up at her face, he saw tears filling her eyes, ready to spill out.

Finally the woman took a deep breath and said, "My husband died three weeks ago. This is the first time I've been out, today..." "She wiped her eyes with her free hand, still gently cradling the golden crane with the other. She spoke very quietly, "Today is our golden wedding anniversary." Then this stranger said in a clear voice. "Thank you for this beautiful gift. Now I know that my husband is at peace. Don't you see? That voice you heard. It's the voice of God and this beautiful crane is a gift from Him. It's the most wonderful 50th wedding anniversary present I could have received. Thank you for listening to your heart."

Author Unknown: Came over Internet

People have asked me how I have stayed married for 50 years. I think one important thing is just to practice "being nice" to your mate. "Manners are for mates too" is one of my slogans and it is easy for me because my husband, Bill, is such a nice guy. It was an evolution though. In 50 years we have both grown and mellowed. Another key is living one day at a time. We did not do 50 years at once but put end on end, 50 years did come and I'M GLAD.

## COTTONWOOD NEWS

By Wallace Bennett

### Quilting Club To Sell Tickets During Barbarian Festival

The Cottonwood quilting club will be selling raffle tickets for one quilt at the Barbarian Festival at Cross Plains, Texas. The winning ticket will be drawn during the Annual Cottonwood Independence Day Celebration on July 4, 2004.

Tickets are going for one dollar each. The quilting club booth will be in front of the Dal-Mar Energy Company. Be sure to go by and get your tickets.

Quilting days for the month of June will be the 10th, 17th, and 24th.

### When Aggies Get Together Its Always Muster Time

Richard and Jennell Purvis, R. T. and Yvonne Peevy, and Carol and I journeyed to Tonk Valley, near Graham, last Friday to visit with Paul Teague and wife. It was a good old Aggie time as the boys were left behind to talk, while the girls went into Graham to shop around. Talk was interrupted by the nap, at least for this young fellow.

Graham was where the "old

Oak tree" still lives, where the Texas and Southwest Cattle Raisers Association was formed to fight the growing threat of rustlers and cattle thieves, it was on February 15, 1877, and Louis Nordyke tells it like it was, in his book the "Great Roundup."

"The men gathered in a circle about the size and shape of the oak's winter shade. Some of them stood, others squatted on their heels. Here were forty honest men gathered together to plot against thieves. They weren't dashing, flashily sombreroed cowboys, rather they were bewhiskered, coarsely clad ranchers. A few of the younger men represented the slicked-faced new generation. Burk Burnett had a neat little mustache that he could reach with an upward thrust of his lower lip, but, he had no beard or sideburns. A few of the men sported short mutton-chopped beards."

From that crowd of diverse men came the organization that was to grow into a well effort to chase the thieves out of the cattle business in Texas.

(To place articles in this column, please contact Wallace Bennett at 254-725-7474.)

## OFFICE SUPPLIES AT THE CROSS PLAINS REVIEW

### BREAKTHRU

By Bob Pipes  
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As John "the Baptizer" introduced Jesus, per the apostle John's account, chapter one, he made two statements that can serve as "anchors of hope" for us as we make the journey in life. In verse 29, "The next day, John saw Jesus coming toward him, and said, "Behold! The Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world!" The "anchor of hope" is that we can have forgiveness of sins! By being washed in the blood of Jesus, we can be cleansed of sin, Rev. 1:4-6; 5:9-10; Rom. 6:3-7. By "walking in the light," we can have ongoing cleansing through Jesus' blood, 1 John 1:7. This is a **breakthru**—an "anchor of hope" for anyone who is "without Christ...having no hope and without God in this world," Eph. 2:12.

The other "anchor of hope," John 1:27, is that we, like John's two disciples, can "**follow Jesus**"—be God's person, be the salt and light of the world (Matt. 5:13-16) that it needs so badly. This too is a **breakthru**—an "anchor of hope" for anyone who is drifting aimlessly in this life without any real purpose.

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## Baird Antiques Market & Trade Days This Weekend

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The historic shopping district in downtown Baird will be overflowing with guest dealers from 27 cities joining local merchants for the annual event. They will be offering everything from country primitives to fine American Victorian furnishings and accessories, beautiful handcrafted items ranging from quilts and clocks to pottery, and plenty of other items from books and jewelry to packaged gourmet food.

The sale is scheduled from 9:00 a.m. until 6:00 p.m., on Friday and Saturday and 1:00-5:00 p.m. on Sunday. A Tea Time Appraisal Fair is scheduled Saturday afternoon, a scale model railroad will be displayed on Friday and Saturday at the T&P Depot, and former Baird resident Buddy Hart will be on hand along with author Charles G. Anderson to autograph a book that chronicles Hart's ordeal as a POW during World War II.

The Appraisal Fair will be conducted by professional appraisers Donald King Cowan, ISA; and C.L. "Sam" Webb, both of Dallas. Cowan and Webb are well known for their informative

and entertaining presentations as they evaluate everything from treasured family heirlooms to flea market finds. Tickets, priced at \$20 per appraised item, must be purchased in advance.

The 16-foot module railroad, complete with roadhouse and turntable, will be shown by Jack Gacke of Abilene. Gacke has displayed his craftsmanship and shared his expertise in the railroading hobby at events across the country for years, and he invites the public to participate in switching and operating. There is no charge to view the display.

"Buddy-World War II POW #1831, a story of courage and patriotism, is one of several books written by Charles Anderson. He has also contributed numerous articles to newspapers and magazines. He and Buddy Hart, who is a 1935 graduate of Baird High School, will be located in a booth at the old Boydston Hardware building. Hart will be available to autograph books on Saturday.

The Antiques Market & Trade Days is sponsored by Texas Chevy Dealers, KTXS TV and KEAN Radio. For information or appraisal fair tickets call Baird Chamber of Commerce at (325) 854-2003.

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## D-Day

The clear blue sky on that fateful bay, gave not the slightest clue,

That from every port in the British Isles, came ships with all their crews.

The salt and spray from the low slung craft, kept the sea boiling foam;

But the men and cargo who rode it through, knew they were not alone.

The rugged and broken shore appeared as it rose to meet the sea. For this was to be the battleground, in the fight for Democracy.

ing surf lent speed to ships that lowered,

While far ahead through the misty spray. The German cannons roared.

A rush was made for that piece of land, where the foe was wont to stay,

And when the smoke had cleared away, their forts in rubble lay.

The beach was won and the ships could land, when the moon came up that night,

While the forward push of that frontal line went ahead in its silver light.

The shore is calm and peaceful now, and the sound of battle dies.

But the fight for life has just begun where many a soldier lies. Small white crosses mark the spot where many of our men will stay,

And all their folks will know the cause, when they stop to kneel and pray.

Time will cover all the wounds, that leave an aching heart,

While love of freedom speeds us on, for this is just the start.

Submitted by Mary Moore. D-Day was written by her late husband, Richard Moore, a D-Day survivor.

He was in the 147th Division and a Combat Engineer. Moore was in one of the first units to go in and set up. His unit received a "Unit Citation" for their bravery and accomplishments.

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## Pecan Valley Detachment to Install Officers Thursday

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This will be a very special meeting, as the new members and officers are sworn in and

pledged to perpetuate the traditions and history of the United States Marine Corps by fitting acts and deeds.

A Marine may leave the Corps, but the Corps never leave Marine. Tradition holds that Marines from other detachments across the state and nation will attend. This will be the first Detachment in the "Big Country". Of further significance is the historic place in which the meeting will be held. The meeting is open to the public.

Submitted by: R.C. Ogg, Commandant, Pecan Valley Detachment, Department of Texas, Marine Corps League, 325-784-5618

# HOWARD HAPPENINGS

By ROBERT WEINBERG

### A Dream of a Sacred Place

Life is filled with mysteries. Not just for detectives or private eyes, but ordinary people too. Too often, we think that unusual things happen only to other people, but the world is filled with adventure and surprise. You only have to look around with wide eyes to see it staring back at you, pondering what's going to happen next. Next all of us are born adventurers, and few of us have any desire to solve a mystery more complicated than where among the sofa cushions did the TV remote control disappear. But the opportunities are there and sometimes if you have a dream, the only way to make that dream come true is to seize that instant and refuse to let it go.

If you want your fantasies to happen, you need to be prepared to act instantly when the ghost of a chance flies by your window. I know I did. A dream and a chance brought me to Cross Plains, Texas, and being here has made my greatest childhood dream come true. I just took a lot longer to capture than I expected.

My name is Robert Weinberg and I'm 57 years old. My dream, the one I mentioned in the paragraph above, began when I was 12, so it's taken me 45 years to fulfill my wish. That sounds like a lot of time I know, but in wish years, I don't think it's so bad. A vast majority of people never have their wish come true and they spend much of their life and lots and lots of their money trying to find it. The older you get, the more complicated your wish usually becomes, and complicated wishes seem to occur.

The way to succeed in wishing is to fasten on a simple, but very important dream, and keep your mind focused on it for years and

years. Somehow, someday, if you don't lose faith it will come true. At least that's what happened to me regarding Cross Plains.

I first discovered Robert E. Howard in a paperback reprint of Conan novel, *Conan the Conqueror*, in 1958. It wasn't the first fantasy novel I ever read, but it was the first of what was called swords-and-sorcery stories I had ever encountered. I read it several times during the first few weeks I owned the book and I grew determined to meet the author whose work had so captivated my imagination. Needless to say, when I soon learned that the author of the novel, as well as a bunch of stories I had found in various paperback reprint collections had killed himself more than twenty years earlier sitting in a parked car outside a wood house nearby a small Texas town called Cross Plains. It was then and there, long before I had begun collecting all Howard books and magazines and letters and art and everything else, that I decided that my mystery adventure would be a trip. At twelve, one cold and wintery morning in front of my New Jersey home, I promised myself that someday, I would visit Cross Plains, the town where Robert E. Howard grew up and wrote his Conan stories.

To me, authors are products of their background and their environment. Sometimes, in rare instances, those two influences combine into one. In the life of Robert E. Howard, that's surely the case. Though genius will flourish anywhere, there's little doubt in my mind that this town, this location brought out the very best in Howard's creativity.

Howard wrote of barbarian kings and prehistoric civiliza-

tions that existed before the rise of modern man. He told of modern adventurers in the wilds of Afghanistan and India, and he wrote stories of sailors and detec-

tives searching for hidden jewels and battling ancient evils. Plus, he composed stories of the west, of cowboys and gunfighters and Indians and outlaws involved in duels both dangerous and hilarious. But, one common thread weaves its way through all of Howard's work. He wrote about lone heroes, men who stood on their own, who fought their own battles and lived and died by a code of honor they never betrayed. Robert E. Howard wrote of men who were true to their ideals. He described men, no matter what their profession, what their beliefs, were honest with themselves and all they met. They were men who fought for what was right no matter the cost. One and all, his heroes are men who live by the code of the west.

Robert E. Howard was a Texan and a true man of the west. He was just as much a pioneer as those who settled the land a hundred years before. A voice in the wilderness, he worked hard for what he believed in and kept on course through difficulty and lonely days. He was a man proud of his work and skilled beyond ordinary measure. Most of all, he wrote from his heart, he wrote from his soul, and he wrote stories he felt compelled to tell.

Howard's fiction spoke of the harshness and the beauty of the land where he lived. All of his heroes, whether they be named Kull, Kane, or Conan were a reflection of men he knew and met. Adventurers, rogues and kings, deep inside they were all Texans. Howard's voice was unique in the

annals of modern literature. His was the voice of the lone hero, standing tall and free, despite whatever odds he faced. His was the proud voice of Texas.

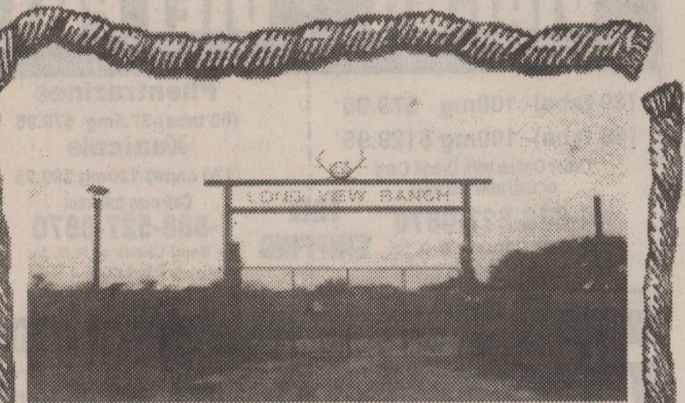
Thus, coming to Cross Plains for me is not just a journey to see a house, to visit a museum, to walk the streets of a town where my favorite writer once walked. To me, coming to Cross Plains is a journey to the roots of a legend, a trip to a spot where history was made. In this town, a giant once lived. A writer named Robert E. Howard rose to greatness in this place. To me, this village is more than just a town in Texas. It is truly sacred ground.

Robert Weinberg is this year's Guest of Honor at Howard Days. He is the author and editor of over a hundred books, a two-time World Fantasy Award winner, and the current owner of the renowned magazine *Weird Tales*, which is the same publication Bob Howard became famous in all those years ago. While he's in town, Bob will be giving the keynote speech at the banquet on Friday, in addition to hosting several informative panels at the school library and signing books for fans.

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# 34th Annual Pop Culture Conference

The 34th Annual Pop Culture Conference, held this year in San Antonio, resembles other academic conferences in that its participants come from all over the country, and in fact, the world, to present their scholarly achievements. It differs from other conferences, however with its call for papers not only on literature, but on film, photography, history, architecture and television to mention but a few. It's crowd then is typically quite large for an academic conference.

Not surprisingly, out of the 750 panels formed to accommodate the 2100 or so speakers, 3 panels were devoted to the greatest American adventure writer of the 20th century, and Cross Plains native, Robert E. Howard. Because the spectrum at the Pop Culture Conference was so broad, panelists often hit the high points, focusing on the Greats: in film, papers were given about Spielberg and Kubrick, history papers concerning the Vietnam, World and Middle East were prominent, and in literature, plenty of papers were still presented on titans like Shakespeare and James Joyce. Noting that Howard is still securing his place among the Great Authors, it was refreshing to find his work receiving recognition in the academic community.

To be sure, Howard was a literary genius. Charles Gramlich, from Louisiana's Xavier University, examined Howard's texts within the Gothic tradition. Another paper presented by Wandering Star editor Rusty Burke, sought to articulate Howard's politics, especially in his advocacy for the protection of Texas' natural resources. Other papers explored Howard's poetry, his letters, his boxing stories, his westerns, his pulp fiction. Twenty people sat in a confer-

ence room for nearly three hours to glean what they could about Mr. Howard and his astonishing body of work. And when all of the papers had been given, everyone had questions. Mostly we began academically: "could Howard be contextualized within the Western literary tradition? Was Conan an existential humanist?" Eventually, to my amazement, many of these scholars began to tell personal stories.

Many of them- from Washington DC, Louisiana and California- had actually been to Cross Plains. They had set foot in the Howard House. They know Billie Ruth Loving ) and have mourned her death as they would a family member). And Margaret McNeel. And Era Lee Hanke. And they loved Cross Plains.

They could look around the town, they said, and see characters from Howard's stories. And they're right. Howard grew up in Cross Plains. His landscapes and settings, so carefully crafted, and his heroic and villainous characters find their root in our town. Howard did something for Cross Plains no one else had done: he shared us with the world. Because of Robert E. Howard, Cross Plains means something to people. He is forever intimately connected with this town. Some of his work id only found in our little library. His childhood home is preserved only in Cross Plains. Cross Plains, because of Robert E. Howard is a part of history.

It is therefore our civic responsibility to help the work that is already being done by Project Pride to preserve Howard's legacy. Come out to Howard Day this year, read one of Howard's short stories, take a tour of the Howard House (it is truly a gothic experience). Don't let this part of our history fade away.

Submitted by Kristy Bowden

## CJC hosts baseball tryouts

Cisco Junior College will be holding tryouts for the Lady Wranglers softball team on Sunday, June 13 at 12:00 noon. The tryouts will be held at the Cisco City Park on East 14<sup>th</sup> Street in Cisco and are for students entering college this fall.

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10:00	TRACTOR SHOW CAR SHOW	
11:00	TEXAS TORNADOES—STAGE	
12:00	CLASS OF '57—STAGE	
1:00	BIKE GAMES—LOT BEHIND DAIRY QUEEN	
2:00	PARADE OF POWER—MAIN STREET	
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### Joe and Delma Coppinger

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**KACI SHIELDS AND MICHAEL BENNETT  
Kaci Shields to wed  
Michael Bennett June 19th**

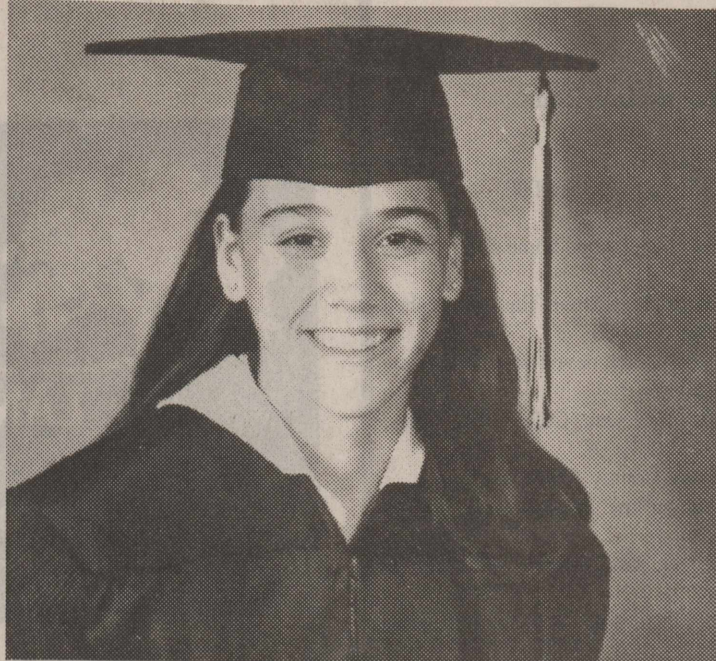
Kaci Shields and Michael Bennett will say their vows Saturday, June 19th at 7:00 p.m. at the Pioneer Revival Center (Pink Church on east Hwy 36) with Joe Coppinger officiating. Kaci is the daughter of Doreen Shields and the late Randy Shields. She is the granddaughter of Dorothy and Eddie Petty, all of Cross Plains.

Michael is the son of Phillip and Sheri Bennett, and the grandson of L.D. and Sylvia Brown of Cross Plains, and Bonnie Cockrum of Sulphur Springs, and the late Arnett Bennett.

Kaci is employed at Rising Star Nursing Center and Michael by Bennett Security Team.

After the wedding, Michael will report back to his Marine Reserve Unit in California, and after 2 months training and acclimatization, he will be sent to Iraq for a tour of duty. Their wedding was originally planned for August.

**Kaci and Michael would be honored to have all family and friends attend their wedding, and consider this your invitation.**



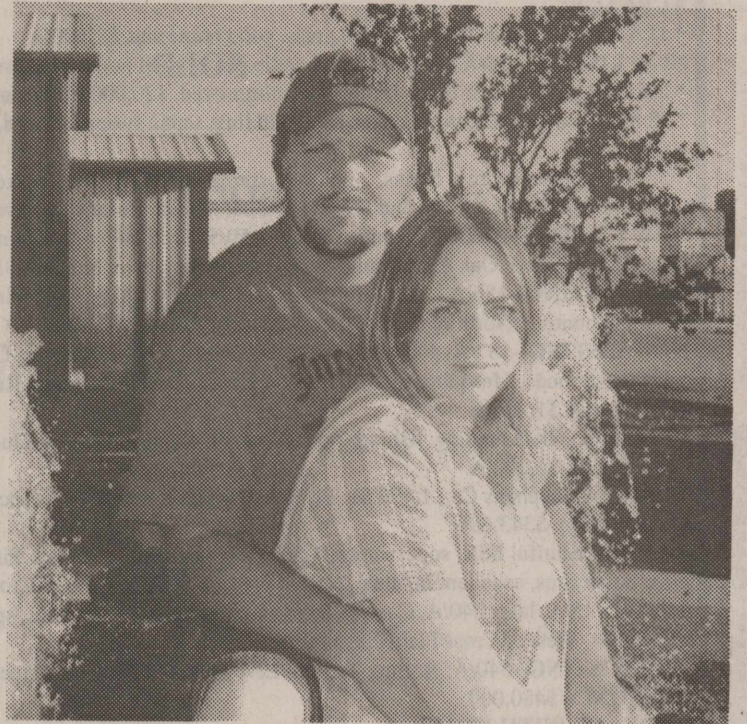
**COURTNEY DANIELLE GONZALES** graduated with honors from Abilene High School on Saturday, May 30th, at the Taylor County Coliseum.

**Courtney Gonzales  
graduates Abilene High**

Courtney Danielle Gonzales graduated with honors from Abilene High School on Saturday, May 30th, at the Taylor County Coliseum.

Courtney is the granddaughter of Minnie (Lois) Woody and great-granddaughter of the late Frank and Emma Woody. Her parents are John and Kathy Gonzales of Abilene. Courtney received honors for Academic Achievement and was recognized as a Texas Scholar.

She had also received an Eagle Fighting Heart Award for her achievements as a guard for the Abilene High Varsity Basketball Team. Courtney will be attending a college in Austin this fall.



**FREDDY SMOOT AND REBECCA TENNISON**

**Tennison - Smoot  
Exchange Vows June 26th**

Clarence and Tammy Tennon Smoot of Cross Plains, on Saturday, June 26, 2004 at 7:00 p.m. at the 36 West Motel. All friends and family are invited to join them to celebrate this happy occasion.

Freddie and Tammy Tennon Smoot of Cross Plains are pleased to announce the approaching marriage of their daughter Rebecca Nicole Tennon to Freddy William Smoot, son of Fred and Donna



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Bryan Bull  
Andy Rutledge
- JUNE 18**  
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