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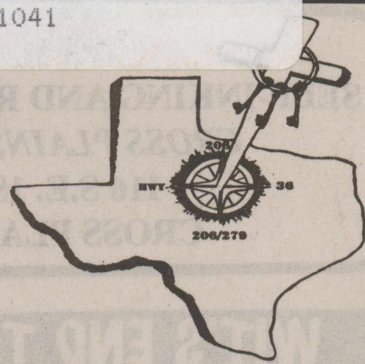
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## DOWN HOME

**EDITOR'S NOTE:** "Just Pedal!" is a deep story that you will need to think on. It will take you on a journey to your past experiences and examine where God was truly leading you. I can certainly relate to the feelings expressed and I bet you can, too. Having the faith to trust Him completely takes a little time. It is kind of like growing up—it takes some of us longer than others. **Vanda Anderson**

"Just Pedal!"

At first I saw God as my observer, my judge, keeping track of the things I did wrong, so as to know whether I merited heaven or hell when I die. He was out there sort of like a president. I recognized His picture when I saw it, but I really didn't know Him. But later on, when I met God, it seemed as though life were rather like a bike ride, but it was a tandem bike, and I noticed that God was at the back, helping pedal.

I don't know when it was that He suggested that we change places, but life has not been the same since. When I had control, I knew the way. It was rather boring, but predictable.

It was the shortest distance between two points. But when He took the lead, He knew delightful long cuts, up mountains, and through rocky places at breakneck speeds. It was all I could do to hang on!

Even though it looked like madness, He said, "Pedal!" I worried and was anxious and asked, "Where are you taking me?" He laughed and didn't answer, and I started to learn to trust. I forgot my boring life and entered into the adventure. And when I'd say, "I'm scared," He lean back and touch my hand.

He took me to people with gifts that I needed; gifts of healing, acceptance and joy. They gave me gifts to take on my journey. And we were off again. He said, "Give the gifts away, they're extra baggage, too much weight."

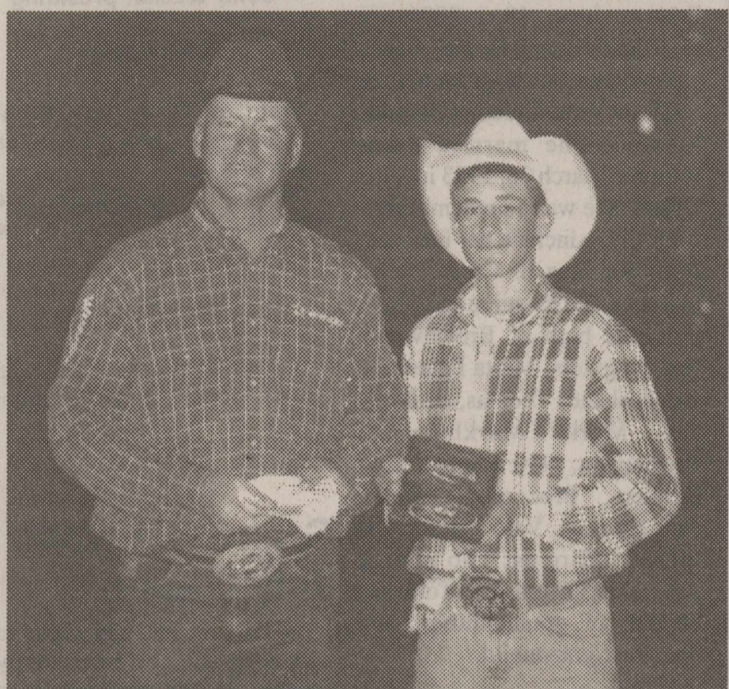
So I did, to the people we met, and I found that in giving I received, and still our burden was light. I did not trust Him, at first, in control of my life.

I thought He'd wreck it, but He knows bike secrets, knows how to make it bend to take sharp corners, knows how to jump to clear high rocks, knows how to fly to shorten scary passages.

And I am learning to shut up and pedal in the strangest places, and I'm beginning to enjoy the view and the cool breeze on my face with God as my delightful constant companion.

And when I'm sure I just can't do anymore, He just smiles and says, "Just Pedal!"

Author Unknown



GUY ALLEN AND RIVER DILLARD

## Coleman County and Adjacent Counties Team Roping Champions Told

River Dillard of Cross Plains and Guy Allen of Potosi went into the top ten short-round sitting in fourth place in the average at the 67th Annual Coleman PRCA Rodeo Friday night, June 18th.

Then they came out swinging and roped the fastest time of 6.5, moving them into first place in

the average.

River and his uncle, Guy (17 time PRCA World Champion Steer Roper), took home the buckles and the cash.

Sixteen year-old River was the youngest roper in the short-round Friday night. He is the son of Bud and Becky Dillard of Cross Plains.

## FSA Loan Funds for disadvantaged farmers

(Baird, TX) --- June 23, 2004 ---The U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) Farm Service Agency (FSA) allocates a portion of its farm loan program funds specifically for socially disadvantaged applicants (SDA) including minority and women producers.

"FSA farm loans are available to all qualified applicants, but by setting aside funds specifically for minorities and women, the Agency ensures members of these specific groups can receive a portion of available funds - assuming they meet FSA loan eligibility requirements," said Richard Young, Farm Loan Manager for Jones County FSA, which administers the Farm Loan Program for Callahan County.

By FSA definition, an applicant is considered socially disadvantaged if he or she is a member of a group whose members have been subjected to racial, ethnic, or gender prejudice, without regard to individual qualities. FSA has identified socially disadvantaged groups as Women, Blacks, American Indians, Alaskan Natives, Hispanics, Asians, and Pacific Islanders.

FSA offers both direct and guaranteed farm loans. Farm loan funds can be used to purchase farms, livestock and equipment. They may also be used to operate a farm, build or repair service buildings, pay for soil and water conservation practices, and in some cases refinance debt.

For direct loans made by FSA to purchase a farm the terms may extend to 40 years with a current interest rate of 6 percent. Direct operating loans

may be made for one to seven years with a current interest rate of 4.25 percent, which is subject to change.

"Applicants requesting direct real estate loans should be aware that funding for this program is limited and may require a waiting period before funds are available and applications approved," said Young.

FSA guaranteed loans are made by banks or other commercial lenders and are guaranteed by FSA for up to 90 percent of any loss. The guaranteed loan program includes both operating and real estate loan programs. If a loan applicant is able to obtain financing from a private lender equal to 50 percent or more of the total funds needed to jointly finance the purchase of the farm, the interest rate on the FSA direct loan would be fixed at 4.25 percent.

SDA loan applicants do not receive automatic approval. Individuals must be U.S. citizens with a satisfactory history of meeting credit obligations, have sufficient education, training or experience managing or operating a farm, possess the legal capacity to incur debt, and be unable to obtain credit through traditional lending means.

"Qualified loan candidates are provided information and assistance to develop sound management practices, analyze problems and utilize available resources essential for successful farming in the ever-changing agricultural environment," said Young.

For more information regarding FSA loan programs, contact the Jones County FSA office at (325) 823-3255 ext 2 or visit the USDA Web site at <http://www.usda.gov>.



## City of Cross Plains Welcomes Everyone to the Annual 4th of July Celebration this Saturday

The City of Cross Plains will hold its annual 4th of July Celebration on Saturday, July 3rd, at Treadway Park behind the Cross Plains Roping Club Arena.

Activities are scheduled to begin at approximately 3:00 p.m. The city will furnish FREE hot dogs, cold drinks, and watermelon. A fireworks show will begin at dark.

The Crusader Quartet is scheduled to perform at 6:00 p.m. Any area singers who would

like to perform prior to the quartet may call City Hall at (254) 725-6114.

Each year the fireworks display has grown due to donations of local organizations and individuals. A donation booth will be set up for your participation. Please help this event continue to grow.

The City of Cross Plains will be selling tickets for a hand pieced, quilted, king size quilt with a patriotic theme in connection

with the 4th of July Celebration.

All proceeds will be used to subsidize the purchase of fireworks.

The quilt is currently being displayed in the lobby of Texas Heritage Bank.

Tickets are \$1.00 each or 6 for \$5.00 at Texas Heritage Bank or the City Hall.

The drawing for the quilt will be held immediately prior to the fireworks display at the upcoming event.

## Read Aloud Cafe Opens July 5th for Children at Cross Plains Library

Monday, July 5th, the "READ ALOUD CAFE" will open for the children of our community. This annual week-long children's program is sponsored by the Cross Plains Public Library and emphasizes the many benefits of reading aloud to children. The "Cafe", located right in the library, will be open for one week beginning July 5 through July 9 from 12 noon to 1:15 p.m.

"Daily Specials" will be offered which include a free kid's LUNCH (served promptly at noon), free BOOKMARKS, drawings for PRIZES, and many favorite BOOKS READ ALOUD for your children's listening pleasure!

While they are eating, the story-telling begins! We are big advocates of reading aloud to children of all ages. Books for this event have been carefully chosen and are proven to be favorites. Hopefully, it will rekindle their love of stories already heard or it will introduce them to some of the vast literature specifically designed for reading aloud. Whatever the case, everyone loves a good story, and we have plenty of them presented in a variety of ways! This year, we will include daily readings from our newly acquired Caldecott books!

Reading records will not be kept but time will be given during the last portion of each session for participants to check out their own books. Parents are welcome to come at this time to help their child with selections. Students who have just completed K-6th grades are eligible for participation. Pre-registration is recommended but walk-ins are also welcome! Simply come by the Library or call 725-7722.

Submitted by  
Jacque Childress

## Bobby Boights named to county maintenance position

Callahan County Commissioners voted to hire Bobby Boights to replace Naomi Ogle for the vacant maintenance position at the Callahan County Courthouse in Baird.

The commissioners hired Boights during the regular commissioners' court meeting held Monday, June 28 at the Commissioners' Courtroom at the County Courthouse in Baird.

Commissioners entered into an executive session at 9:58 a.m. to interview the nine applicants for the maintenance position and returned back into open session at 12:24 a.m.

Upon returning back into open session, commissioners voted unanimously to hire Boights to the full-time maintenance position.

In other commissioners' court

action:

—Doug Ford gave commissioners a report on the Mental Health/Mental Retardation program of which Callahan County is a member. The Abilene area MH/MR includes Taylor, Jones, Shackelford, Stephens and Callahan County. Ford is a MH/MR board member representing Callahan County. Ford will report back to the commissioners at the July 12 court meeting on whether he will serve another term on the MH/MR board.

—Commissioners signed the minutes of the previous meeting with no additions or corrections.

—During a time set aside for public comments, no one spoke to the commissioners' court.

—Commissioners voted to pay all approved bills and voted to adjourn the commissioners' court meeting.

## Methodist Church Offers VBS for Area Youth

Area children are invited to search for heroes at the First United Methodist Church VBS to be held each evening July 12-16.

HERO QUEST will give youngsters who have completed pre-school through the 6th grade the opportunity to meet Biblical heroes of faith, to experience the power of faith, to come to know Jesus as the ultimate hero and to discover the faith hero inside themselves.

A light supper will be served each evening between 6:00 and 6:30 in the Fellowship Hall with activities starting promptly at 6:30 and ending at 8:30. The QUEST will include Bible stories, music, crafts, games and a time for reflection.

Friday evening will be a time for the entire family to celebrate with the QUESTORS as they share the clues they have followed all week in their search for true heroes.

Youngsters are encouraged to pre-register to ensure adequate food and supplies as well as van availability. Transportation to and from the Methodist Church can be provided if needed. Please contact Jean McWilliams at 725-

6455 or Arlene Stephenson at 725-4993 to join the search.

**Texas Heritage Bank**

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"What's Inside"

## Athletic Booster Club Meeting

**Tuesday, July 6, 2004**

**7:00 p.m. in Gym Foyer**

**Discussing Sprinkler System For The Football Field**

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Pastor: Donald Duke  
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Morning Worship .....11:00 AM  
Evening Worship .....6:00 PM  
Wednesday Night Bible Study.....7:00 PM  
Our Church Is A House Of Prayer

**GOSPEL MISSION**  
716 1st Street  
Full Gospel  
Sunday Morning Worship.....10:00 a.m.  
Sunday Evening Worship.....5:00 p.m.  
Michael Ingram, Pastor

**BELIEVER'S FELLOWSHIP**  
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SUNDAY WEDNESDAY  
9:30 a.m. Sunday School 7:00 p.m. Christian Youth Activities  
10:45 a.m. Morning Service THURSDAY  
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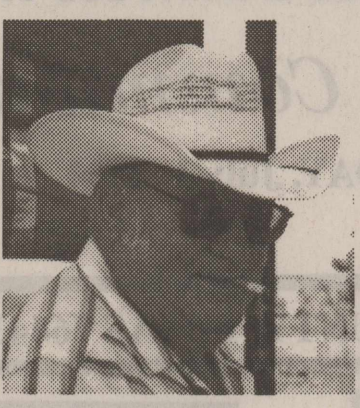
**Union Center Baptist Church**  
"Service to God Through Service to Man"  
Sunday School 10:00 a.m. Worship Service 11:00 a.m.  
Wednesday Bible Study 7:00 p.m.  
5 miles north of Rising Star - 1/2 mile east of Hwy 183 on CR292  
Jerry Eckhart, Pastor (254) 643-1027

**COTTONWOOD BAPTIST CHURCH**  
Sunday School.....9:45 A.M.  
Morning Worship.....11:00 A.M.  
Evening Service.....6:00 P.M.  
Wednesday Bible Study & Prayer Time.....7:00  
Matt McGowen, Pastor (254) 725-4599  
Church (254)725- 6266  
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SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP.....11:00 A.M.  
Pastor: Carl Mauldin  
Come Worship With Us!

**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

**OBITUARIES**



**Darwin Pittman**  
Darwin Pittman, 70, of May, died Tuesday, June 22, 2004, at Brownwood Regional Medical Center. Services were held at 2:00 p.m. Thursday, June 24, 2004, at May Baptist Church in May, Texas with Terry Simmons officiating. Burial was in the Blake Cemetery in Brown County, Texas.

Mr. Pittman was born in Cross Cut, Texas on July 24, 1933 to Irwin W. and Zora Jane (Collins) Pittman. He married Connie Gray on October 14, 1955 in Lovington, New Mexico. He served in the U.S. Army during the Korean Conflict. Darwin retired from Huntsman Chemical in Odessa. He was a Baptist.

Survivors include his wife, Connie Pittman of May; two sons, Donald Kent Pittman of Williams and Kenneth Dwaine Pittman of Aledo; to daughters, Carrie Jane Low of Monahans and Connie Wilene Smithee of Odessa; two brothers, Harold Dean Pittman of May and Ronnie Ray Pittman of Gorman; two sisters, Deloras Stover of Cross Plains and Sara Ann Barnett of May; 14 grandchildren and 8 great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents and stepmother, Odell, and a brother, Donald Gene Pittman.

**Harold Freeman**  
Harold Freeman, 88, of Denton, died Thursday, June 24, 2004, at home. Funeral services were held at 10:00 a.m. Saturday, June 26, 2004, at Denton Baptist Temple with the Rev. George Anderson officiating, assisted by Junior Norris. Interment followed at 3:00 p.m. at Cross Plains Cemetery, Cross Plains, Texas.

Harold was born November 14, 1915 in Cross Plains, Texas to John Clinton and Beulah B. (Cavin) Freeman. He attended school in Dressy, Texas. Mr. Freeman served in the Army Air Corps during World War II. He married Annabelle Barron December 13, 1944 in Abilene, Texas. He was retired from the George Implement/John Deere Tractor Company. Harold was a member and deacon of Denton Baptist Temple.

Survivors include he daughter, Lawana Robinson of Denton; a son, Clint Freeman of Grand Prairie; two grandchildren, Kimberley Ann Freeman and Jonathan Edward Freeman.

He was preceded in death by three sisters and four brothers, and his wife of fifty-nine years, Annabelle Freeman, who passed away February 28, 2004.

Mulkey-Mason, Jack Schmitz and Son Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

Memorials may be made to a charity of your choice.

**Genoveva Ramirez**  
Genoveva Ramirez, 79, of Cross Plains, passed away Thursday, June 17, 2004 at home.

Funeral mass was held at 10:00 a.m. Saturday, June 19, 2004, at St. Mary's Catholic Church. Burial followed in the Cross Plains Cemetery.

Rosary was at 7:00 p.m. Friday, June 18, 2004, in Heartland Funeral Home Chapel.

Genoveva was born January 3, 1925 in Villa Union, Coahuila, Mexico. She married Jesus Ramirez March 26, 1953 in Villa Union. She was a homemaker.

Survivors include her husband, Jesus Ramirez of Cross Plains; two sons, Joe Ramirez and Mario Ramirez, both of Brownwood; two daughters, Marta Polacheck and husband, Thomas, of Buda, and Maria Markham of Farmington, New Mexico; four brothers, Procopio Carreon, Nalo Carreon, Vale Carreon and Silberio Carreon; two sisters, Anastacia Givera and Tomasita Garcia; 11 grandchildren; and one great-grandchild.

**Alice Mae Edington**

Alice Mae Edington, age 104, died June 17, 2004, at her home in Albany. Services were held Sunday, June 20, 2004, at 3 p.m. at the First Baptist Church of Albany with Rev. John Tunnell officiating. Burial followed at 5:30 p.m. at the Burkett Cemetery in Coleman County, under the direction of Morehart Mortuary.

Alice Mae Godwin was born on May 31, 1900 in the Lannis Community of Fannin County, Texas to parents, William Godwin and Ellen Ruth Greene Godwin. Alice married Dewey Edington on October 3, 1920 in Coleman County, Texas, and he preceded her in death in 1932. Alice worked as a caretaker and homemaker and has resided in Albany since 1946.

She was preceded in death by a son, Bill Edington, who died in 1978; seven sisters and four brothers.

She is survived and lovingly remembered by her daughter, Virginia Baker of Albany; a daughter-in-law, Billie Edington Patterson of Albany; five grandchildren; five great-grandchildren; and four great-great-grandchildren.

In lieu of flowers, the family request that memorials may be made to the First Baptist Church Alice Edington Scholarship Fund. Memorials may be left at Morehart Mortuary.

**Roby M. Kornegay**

Roby M. Kornegay, 95, of Rising Star, passed away Sunday, June 27, 2004, at the Rising Star Nursing Center. Services were held Tuesday, June 29, at Rising Star First Baptist Church with Dick Williams officiating. Interment was in the Rising Star Cemetery under the direction of Higginbotham Funeral Home.

Roby was born July 14, 1908 in Lingleville, Texas. She married W. Hamp Kornegay on March 12, 1925 in Albany, Texas.

She was preceded in death by her husband, three brothers and one sister.

Survivors include two sons, Billy Dell Kornegay of Gatesville and J.W. Kornegay of Bryan; one daughter, Dorothy Maxwell of Rising Star; a sister, Katie Atwood of Hobbs, New Mexico; eight grandchildren; 13 great-grandchildren; and six great-great-grandchildren.

**Courthouse News**

**COUNTY COURT**  
Roger Corn, presiding

**Misdemeanor Filings**  
Elizabeth C. Becerra, driving while intoxicated (DWI).  
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**42nd DISTRICT COURT**  
John Weeks, presiding

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James S. King vs. The First National Bank of Baird, order granting defendant's motion to compel plaintiff to respond to defendant's interrogatories in aid of judgment and request for production in aid of judgment.

Ralph Roach vs. Julie Hines and State Farm Mutual Automobile Insurance Company, order granting plaintiff's nonsuit as to the defendant's State Farm Mutual Automobile Insurance Company.

**Criminal Minutes**  
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**Grand Ole Oplin July line-up**

The Grand Ole Oplin wants to wish everyone a safe and happy Fourth of July and wants to invite everyone out Friday night for an evening of dancing or just listening to some of your favorite bands. This coming Friday night, July 2, Muddy Creek will be here to help you celebrate the Fourth by playing all of your favorite tunes, on July 9 Roland Smith and the Roadrunners will be here to entertain us all, on July 16th Texas Touch will be here playing the kind of music that will make you want to get up and dance, on July 23rd Muddy Creek will be here to play some more of your favorite tunes and closing out the month on July 30 Jack Rosser will join us playing country and western tunes in his own special style.

The Grand Ole Oplin is located at the Oplin Community Center on FM 604 S. and FM 2926. Admission to our dances is still only \$4.00 per person and everyone is invited to bring a snack to be enjoyed by all during the band's break. Alcohol and smoking is not allowed.

So gather your family and all of your friends and start the Fourth of July weekend by coming on out to the Grand Ole Oplin for an evening of good music, good friends and a good time.

Submitted by: Pam Rumfield

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FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH  
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Sunday School - 9:30 a.m.  
Worship - 10:45 a.m.  
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Take time to Honor and say "Thank You" to those that have served and are serving now to defend our Freedom!  
Sunday School 9:45 am  
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Evening Services 7:00 pm  
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**First Baptist Church**  
3rd & Main, Cross Plains, TX Ronnie B White, Pastor

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## RISE STAR NURSING NEWS

By LINDA MERRITT

Here we are again at the era of another month. Time seems to be just flying by. We have been enjoying the rain, which is always a blessing along with the cooler weather. We will be having a Garage Sale Friday, July 2nd, at 8:00 a.m. All proceeds will go toward the resident's Christmas Fund. Residents have been working hard on their July banners, that I might add are looking very pretty. We extend our heartfelt sympathies to the family of Roby Komegay. Memories are a treasure time cannot take away.

## BURKETT NEWS

By LOVERA STRICKLAND

Linda Brady, secretary-treasurer for the Burkett-Adams Cemeteries reported the following donations: Ronald and Lynda Gray (In Memory of Maurine Gray) \$50; Auntie Mae Saxon \$40; Minnie and Richard Tucker \$75; Bettie and Benjamin Bennett \$30; Liz Golson \$30; Eureka Whitley (In Memory of Bobbie Collett) \$20; Mrs. Hazel Joyce Klutts (In Memory of Bobbie Collett) \$25; Dumas Beeler \$20; Bernice Sultenfuss \$50; C.W. Golson \$20; Harvey Koenig \$100; Roy Hollon \$50; Rita E. Sojourner \$50; Edward Day \$25; Cody Golson \$50; Glenda Rawls \$25; Thelma Ragland \$25; Sandra Stephens (In Memory of J.P. McWilliams) \$40; Russell Gould \$50; Mary O'Brien \$100; Liz Golson \$50; Phil and Jane Waddell \$25; Don and Ruth Newton \$25. The Burkett-Adams Cemetery Board wishes to thank all for their generous donations. These contributions are used for the upkeep of the cemeteries. Those visiting Lanette Burns last weekend were Billy and Faye Pace and daughter of San Antonio, Caroline Sanders of Round Rock and Tommy Gene Burns of Breckenridge. Eureka Whitley of San Saba visited Lovera Strickland last Sunday. Also Jackie Strickland is spending a few days with her this week. Merle and Gene Amos of Mid-

land, Paul Walker and Darrell Walker of Nimrod and Andy and Kazuko Walker of Hawaii recently visited Andrew Walker. Andrew Walker, Andy and Kazuko Walker and Darrell Walker took a trip to Washington D.C. recently. They went through Arkansas, Tennessee, West Virginia and Virginia. They spent the first night in Benton, Arkansas. They stopped in Bedford, Virginia to see the D-Day Memorial on June 5th. They saw a lot of interesting things about the invasion of France. They spent the night at the Quantico Marine Base in Virginia. The next day they arrived in Washington D.C. where they visited the World War II Memorial, Korean War Memorial, Vietnam Memorial, Washington Memorial, Jefferson Memorial, the Capitol Building and U.S. Marine Memorial, plus many other sights including the Air and Space Center. They saw the plane the Wright Brother's took their first flight in; the Voyager, the plane Charles Lindbergh flew across the Atlantic Ocean; Ross Perot, Jr.'s helicopter, The Spirit of Texas. They drove through North and South Carolina, Alabama, Georgia, Mississippi and Louisiana returning to Burkett. Oh yes, while viewing the WW II Memorial a reporter from NBC interviewed Andrew.

Thank you God for America.

## COTTONWOOD NEWS

By WALLACE BENNETT

Don't forget the July 4, 2004 Independence Day Celebration. It starts at 3:00 p.m. and will include a children's presentation, the Pledge of Allegiance, a puppet show, a patriotic poem, a reading of the Declaration of Independence, a reading of the Preamble to the Constitution of the United States, and many other contributions. Refreshments of cookies and drinks will be served following the program. A drawing of the winning ticket for the Cottonwood Quilting Club's fund-raising quilt will take place. And you can buy tickets for this quilt just before the drawing. Please don't forget this day! It is important for the life of our nation. Come out and bring the children; it is crucial that we teach our children the foundation documents of our nation.

Quilting dates for July are scheduled for the 1st, 8th, 15th, 22nd and 29th. All ladies of the Cottonwood Community are invited to join the quilting club. Cottonwood Connections A visit to the Cottonwood chat room last week revealed a startling piece of news. We now have a new Smith family. It is said that when you get more than one family by the name of Smith in a community, you are on your way to the top.

Diane and Arnie Smith report their son, Brian, and daughter-in-law, Merry, and grandson,

Tim, have moved to the Cottonwood community from Napa Valley, California. So, welcome to the new Smith family!

Speaking of California, Sue and Tom Bennett, who just returned from that golden state, say it is too crowded. "Home never looked as good-as when we got back to Cottonwood," said Sue. "You can't believe the traffic out there. We got on a freeway just a few minutes from our destination and it took us an hour and a half to get there," she said. They went out to California to celebrate her mother's 90th birthday. Speaking of 90th birthday parties, Ellen Simpson just celebrated hers and a number of people journeyed from her to Rising Star to help her. She enjoyed seeing her friends.

Others glad to get back to Cottonwood are Mike and Bonnie Rogers, just back from a cruise to Alaska. Ila Stroud is back home from a stint in the hospital in Abilene. And the Baptist Youth Group has returned from a trip to the Texas Baptist Youth Convention. There's no place like home.

(Please contact Wallace Bennett about news or personal items for this column at (254) 725-7474. E-mail (HYPERLINK "mailto:csb5@airmail.net"). Snail mail, 11093 County Road 440, Cross Plains, Texas 76443.)

## LIBRARY NEWS



### "Behind the Books"

Things are really busy at the Library this week. Kids are signing up for the Read Aloud Cafe, adults are calling in about renting a booth at the Flea Market next door, books are coming and going and the computers are humming. It's all music to my ears. Uh well, it would be if I had ears!

CU in the Annex for the Flea Market this Saturday morning

June 21-15

### Statistics

Books	72
Interlibrary Loan	1
Internet Users	33

Total Memorials:	106
Mickey V. Bush, M.D. - In Memory of Hub and Helen Freeman	
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Leslie Lawrence	
Library Activity Report	
Patrons:	71
A.M.	32
P.M.	39
Programs:	9
Copies:	1
Reference:	9
Check In/Out	13
Calls In:	6
Internet Users	33

## GARDEN TIPS

By James Nichols

### Summer Heathers

Heathers are low-growing shrub-like perennials that bloom into a sea of color. They look great planted in with dwarf conifers, especially when large variety of shapes, colors and textures are used.

Planting late flowering varieties with deciduous plants that have colorful foliage in the fall will give you a striking display. Use the camellia and rhododendron beds to add summer color. They can also be used in rock gardens and in some cases used a ground cover.

## SENIOR CITIZENS MENU

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THURSDAY	Pinto Beans & Ham, Okra & Tomatoes, Yam Patty, Peanut Butter Chews, Cornbread, Milk
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## PIONEER NEWS

The quilting ladies almost finished Olena's "Tulip" quilt on Tuesday. We have Frankie's "Rail Fence" to finish. Hopefully we will finish both this Tuesday. We had a good turn out of quilters.

Charlene Chesshir and Doug and Christy Dallas went to Austin Saturday, June 19th, to a Chesshir family reunion at the home of Gary and Tommie Jean Boswell. Tommie Jean is the daughter of James' oldest sister. They were the only ones there from their side of the family. Jim intended to go but he just had cataract surgery and his doctor told him to stay home. Jake Dallas came last Tuesday and mowed and ran the weedeater for his grandmother. It's nice to have grandchildren, also!

Vi Harlow, Jean Fore's sister, returned from a visit with her brother, Paul and Juanita Harlow of Dalhart. Paul and Juanita were here for just a short time before returning home. Jean enjoyed them being here.

Frankie Smith has been working in the concession stand of the Carbon Baptist Camp. There were over 100 kids attending. Frankie is so dedicated at doing her church work! She attended the musical at Olden all by herself this week. She also attended the Eaves family reunion at De Leon Park over the weekend.

Laverne Hutton and Charlene Chesshir attended the funeral service at Cisco for Audy Moore on Tuesday. He grew up in the Cook Community and attended school at Pioneer.

Glen Dale and Kosta came in

from Alpine last week. Glen Dale and Allen took Krista and Kosta to a basketball camp at Texas A&M. They really had a good time. Kosta has been saying she want to go to college at A&M. She got to see what it is all about. She was happily impressed. They all had supper at Glenda's Saturday night. Guess what? They all had lunch with her again on Sunday. Only this time, besides Allen's family, Glen Dale, and Kosta she had Howard and Kali's friend, Charlie Rogers. They all had a great time! Glenda went to watch Krista play basketball Monday night at Cisco. Their next game will be at Cross Plains on Monday night.

Perry Cloud is much improved. He should be at the Brownwood Care Center for therapy by the time you read this news. He still needs all our prayers.

Laverne's Druthers— If I had "my druthers" all my youthful curves wouldn't have turned to bulges but they did!

Can you believe I once was a fashion plate? Then I was a platter—I gained 10 pounds!

That was some years ago. Now as I approach my 80th birthday, I stand in front of the mirror, look myself up and down and say, "Laverne, you are quite a dish!" All this come about by just doing what comes naturally.

I'm not a beauty by far,  
My face I don't mind  
For I am behind it.  
It's the people in front  
That the jar!

Submitted by  
Laverne Hutton

## Texas Historical Commission offers educational summer vacations

AUSTIN—If fighting crowds at the local theme park isn't your idea of a dream vacation, the Texas Historical Commission (THC) offers an alternative.

Before planning your summer getaway, contact the THC for free travel guides to heritage and cultural destinations around Texas that inspire and educate.

"Our heritage travel guides provide substance to summer vacations," said Janie Headrick, state coordinator of the THC's Texas Heritage Trails Program. "They give visitors a chance to connect with their heritage, learn about different cultures, while having fun at the same time." These driving trails guide visitors through such places as the Chisholm Trail, where spirits of tired and lonely cowboys still linger along the I-35 corridor, or Los Caminos del Rio, with its Spanish Colonial villages, unique architecture and natural beauty.

The THC works to protect, preserve and promote historic and cultural resources across the state by offering free travel

guides that highlight Texas' rich heritage. These brochures showcase one-of-a-kind festivals, historic sites, shopping and Texas cuisine.

They give families and individuals a valuable opportunity to see up close what makes the state special.

The THC offers eight themed travel guides—Texas Forts Trail Region, Texas Independence Trail Region, Texas Lakes Trail Region, Texas Forest Trail Region, African Americans in Texas: Historical and Cultural Legacies, The Chisholm Trail, Texas in the Civil War and Los Caminos del Rio: Legacies of the Borderlands. To request a free copy, call toll free at 866/276-6219 or visit [www.thc.state.tx.us/travel](http://www.thc.state.tx.us/travel).

The Texas Historical Commission is the state agency for historic preservation. The agency administers a variety of programs to preserve the archeological, historical and cultural resources of Texas.

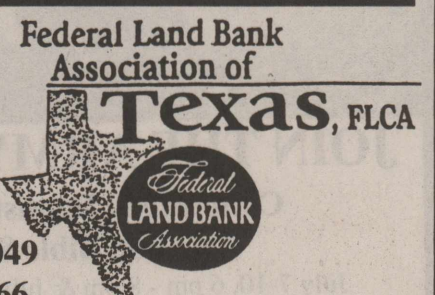
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## BREAKTHRU

By Bob Pipes  
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"Let Freedom Ring Through Christ!" That's the title of my sermon this Sunday morning—July 4, 2004!—Lord willing. It is pretty obvious that there will never be peace here on earth from "wars and rumors of war." Many misunderstand what kind of peace Jesus came to give—but as He told His apostles, "Peace I leave with you, My peace I give to you; not as the world gives do I give to you."

I don't know when the war in Iraq will be "over" but I do know that even if it does, there will be another or others. We long for world peace, and we "take off our hats" to those who are literally fighting for our freedom! — but it is the peace that Christ gives, through salvation, that is lasting and real. I invite you to come hear the "whole sermon" this Sunday morning... We encourage you to share with us in all the times of Bible study and worship as we meet together. We really do care about you!

Sunday Morning Bible Class...9:45a.m. Sunday Evening Worship...6:00p.m.  
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# Thomas Invited to Apply for a Once in a Lifetime Opportunity

Shena Thomas, a 2002 graduate of Cross Plains, has been invited to apply for the Rhodes Scholarship in the fall of 2004. The Rhodes Scholarships, oldest of the international study awards available to American students, were created in 1902 by the Will of Cecil Rhodes, British philanthropist and colonial pioneer.

Candidates must be endorsed by their college or university. If chosen to receive an award, a recipient would have the opportunity to study at Oxford, England for two to three years with all academic and travel expenses paid.

Shena is a Junior at the University of Texas in Austin where she is studying Microbiology. She is on the University Honors Program and has maintained a 4.0 for four semesters. Shena is the daughter of Jackie and Roxie Thomas and the granddaughter of Mack and Shirley McConal of Cross Plains.

# Local Young Man Texas A & M Honor Student

College Station—Texas A&M University has named its honor students for the 2004 spring semester, recognizing students for outstanding academic performance.

The Dean's Honor Roll recognizes students taking at least 15 semester hours or first semester students taking at least 12 semester hours who have

maintained at least a 3.75 grade point ratio (GPR) out of a possible 4.0 during the most recent grading period.

Nathaniel Allen Joy, son of Jimmy and Becky Joy of Cross Plains, was among the elite. Nathan is pursuing a Bachelor of Science Degree in Agricultural Economics. He is a first semester freshman.

# Basketball Camp

The Lady Buff Basketball Camp has been scheduled for July 19-22 at the new Cross Plains High School Gym. The camp is for all girls going into 4th thru 9th grades.

Camp Times are:  
4th-6th graders 9 a.m. - 12 noon  
7th-9th graders 1 p.m. - 4 p.m.

The purpose of the camp is to teach and improve offensive and defensive fundamental skills and encourage a love for basketball.

The camp will be conducted by Coach Barry Gill and several Varsity Lady Buffs.

Each camper will receive a camp t-shirt and a progress report. Cost of the camp is \$40.00. Make your checks payable to Lady Buff Basketball Camp, Barry Gill.

For additional information, please contact Barry Gill at (254) 725-6121 or (254) 725-4964.

# Help Share America

American freedom and democracy are a part of our everyday lives and something we often take for granted. Have you ever thought about sharing with the rest of the world what makes America so special? You can by hosting a teen from one of more than thirty different countries, including Germany, Brazil, Hong Kong, Belgium, Japan, Russia, Turkey, Italy, and many other countries for this upcoming school year or semester. 250 families with or without children are still needed to provide a bed, meals, and a family environment so the students can study at local high schools for a semester or school year.

The students, who hope to arrive this AUGUST, are participating in the SHARE!

High School Exchange Program to learn first hand about Americans and our way of life. They speak English, are covered by medical insurance, and bring spending money for personal expenses. The SHARE! Program, sponsored by Educational Resource Development Trust (ERDT), a nonprofit educational foundation established in 1974, was created to provide opportunities for greater understanding between Americans and peoples of the world.

For more information on hosting, or to preview the student's applications, please call Yvette Coffman at the SHARE! Southwest regional office, at 1-800-941-3738.

# 2 from Cross Plains inducted into National Honor Roll

LYNBROOK, N.Y.—Two students from the region covered by the Cross Plains Review qualified for induction into the 2003/2004 National Honor Roll.

The National Honor Roll recognizes high-achieving high school and middle school students. "Young people like these inductees, who work hard to attain academic success, deserve to be congratulated," says Lynn Romeo, Publisher of the National Honor Roll. "Honoring their achievements provides motivation and encourages them to continue striving. We're proud to include them in the National Honor Roll."

Those from Cross Plains include: Russell Allen, Cross Plains High School; and Brandon Thacker, May High School.

The National Honor Roll offers several benefits which can contribute to the success of its student members. National Honor Roll has set aside \$100,000 to be shared among 100 of its qualifying inductees from the 2003/2004 school year. All members are entitled to compete for one of these National Honor Roll Awards For Academic Achievement, which will be awarded in September. By taking advantage of National Honor Roll's College Admissions Notification Service, high school inductees can notify the admissions of-

nces of as many schools as they wish that they have been inducted into the National Honor Roll and that they are interested in obtaining information about those colleges. (A copy of the student's biography is sent to the colleges along with the notification.) Each state governor and U.S. Senator receives a complimentary copy of the National Honor Roll Commemorative Edition, along with a list of the students from their state who have been inducted into the National Honor Roll. And complimentary copies of the book are sent to selected school libraries across the country.

The National Honor Roll contacts potentially qualifying students after reviewing information about their academic performance. Each student is asked to submit information about his/her GPA, interests, activities, and future goals. Only students with a B or better average are eligible. 66% of the inductees in the 2003/2004 National Honor Roll averaged an A- or better; 34% averaged B through B+. 31% were Seniors (Class of 2004); 31% Juniors (Class of 2005); 22% Sophomores (Class of 2006); 15.7% Freshmen (Class of 2007); and .3% Middle School.

For more information, visit [www.nationalhonorroll.org](http://www.nationalhonorroll.org).

# Progress made on Social Security benefits for Texas teachers

Washington, D.C.—Congressman Charlie Stenholm (TX-17th) joined Congressman Kevin Brady (R-The Woodlands) in introducing legislation that would address the unfair discrimination against Texas teachers and other public employees who currently face reductions in the Social Security benefits they have earned. Senator Kay Bailey Hutchison has introduced companion legislation in the Senate.

The Windfall Elimination Provision (WEP) reduces Social Security benefits for people eligible for a government pension such as that provided by the Teacher Retirement System (TRS). The legislation Stenholm cosponsored, H.R. 4391, the Public Sector Retirement Protection Act, would eliminate the arbitrary formula for how benefits are figured under the WEP and replace it with a new formula that determines benefits for teachers and other public sector employees the same way as benefits for private-sector workers are calculated.

"I strongly believe that educators should receive all the benefits from the Teacher Retirement System and Social Security that they have earned based on the contributions they paid into the system," Stenholm said. "Texas educators who paid into Social Security should be treated as well as every other worker who pays into Social Security." Earlier this year, Stenholm

joined with Congressman Jim Turner (D-Crockett) to initiate a legislative procedure known as a discharge petition to force the House leadership to bring legislation addressing these issues for a vote by the full House. "I am pleased that our discharge petition helped begin the process of easing this unfair penalty," noted Stenholm. "The commitment of the Social Security Subcommittee to take action on this legislation is an indication that the pressure from the discharge petition is forcing the Republican leadership to take this issue seriously after years of inaction."

Stenholm expressed disappointment that H.R. 4391 does not address the Government Pension Offset (GPO), which reduces or eliminates Social Security spousal or widow's benefits of educators who are also eligible for a TRS pension. He continues to strongly support H.R. 594, The Social Security Fairness Act, which would repeal the GPO as well as the WEP.

"While this new bill doesn't fully address the problems with the WEP or deal with the GPO, it is a positive first step," Stenholm said. "I look forward to working with my colleagues from Texas and Social Security Subcommittee Chairman Clay Shaw to enact this legislation into law this year."

# Barb's Cues

By Barbara Holmes Worcester

How many times do the troubles we beg to have removed bring some of our richest blessings. The Bible promises that God is able to bring good out of bad situations. We need to trust Him and use our trials. I hope you enjoy this little story from the Internet.

BHW

## The Tea Cup

There was a couple who used to go to England to shop in the beautiful stores. They both liked antiques and pottery and especially teacups. This was their twenty-fifth wedding anniversary.

One day in this beautiful shop they saw a beautiful teacup. They said, "Could we see that? We've never seen one quite so beautiful."

As the lady handed it to them, suddenly the teacup spoke. "You don't understand," it said. "I haven't always been a teacup."

There was a time when I was red and I was clay. My master took me and rolled me and patted me over and over and I yelled out, "let me alone", but he only smiled, "Not yet."

"Then I was placed on a spinning wheel," the teacup said, "and suddenly I was spun around and around and around. Stop it! I'm getting dizzy! I screamed." But the master only nodded and said, "Not yet."

Then he put me in the oven. I never felt such heat. I wondered why he wanted to burn me, and I yelled and knocked at the door. I could see him through the opening and I could read his lips as he shook his head, "Not yet."

Finally the door opened, he put me on the shelf, and I began to cool. "There, that's better," I said. And he brushed and painted me all over. The fumes were horrible. I thought I would gag. "Stop it, stop it!" I cried. He only nodded, "Not yet."

Then suddenly he put me back

into the oven, not like the first one. This was twice as hot and I knew I would suffocate. I begged. I pleaded. I screamed. I cried. All the time I could see him through the opening nodding his head saying, "Not yet."

Then I knew there wasn't any hope. I would never make it. I was ready to give up. But the door opened and he took me out and placed me on the shelf. One hour later he handed me a mirror and said, "Look at yourself." And I did. I said, "That's not me; that couldn't be me. It's beautiful. I'm beautiful."

"I want you to remember, then," he said, "I know it hurts to be rolled and patted, but if I had left you alone, you'd have dried up."

I know it made you dizzy to spin around on the wheel, but if I had stopped, you would have crumbled. I knew it hurt and was hot and disagreeable in the oven, but if I hadn't put you there, you would have cracked.

I know the fumes were bad when I brushed and painted you all over, but if I hadn't done that, you never would have hardened; you would not have had any color in your life. And if I hadn't put you back in that second oven, you wouldn't survive for very long because the hardness would not have held. Now you are a finished product. You are what I had in mind when I first began with you.

## MORAL:

God knows what He's doing (for all of us). He is the Potter, and we are His clay. He will mold us and make us, so that we may be made into a flawless piece of work to fulfill His good, pleasing, and perfect will.

No temptation has seized you except what is common to man. And God is faithful; he will not tempt you beyond what you can bear; but with the temptation also make a way to escape, that you may be able to bear it.

(Author Unknown)

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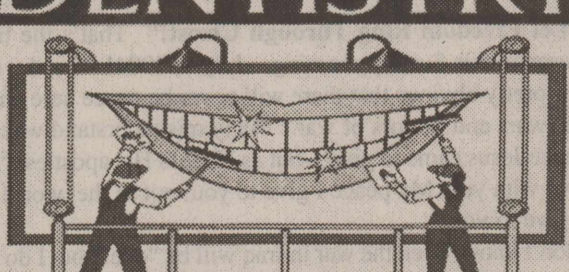
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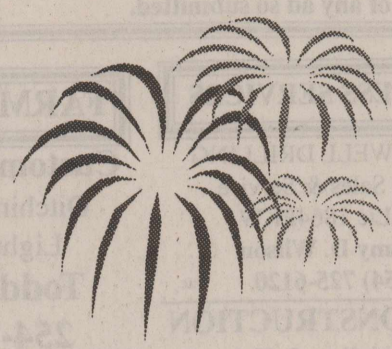
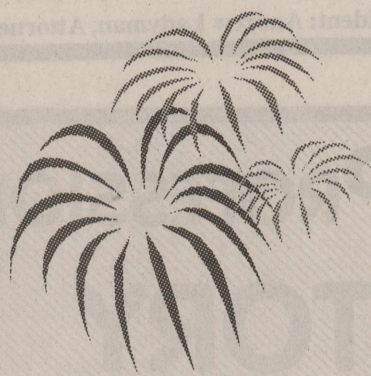
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Thank you to D. T. Crockett for officiating the funeral services and to Cassie Gallaway and Charla White for the beautiful music.

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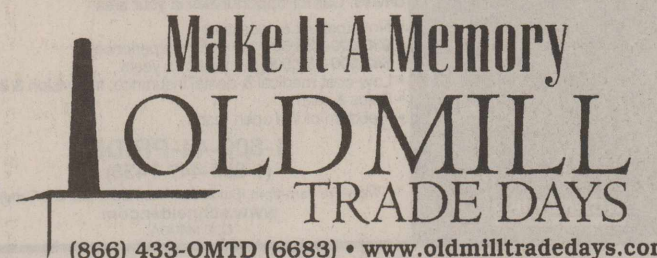
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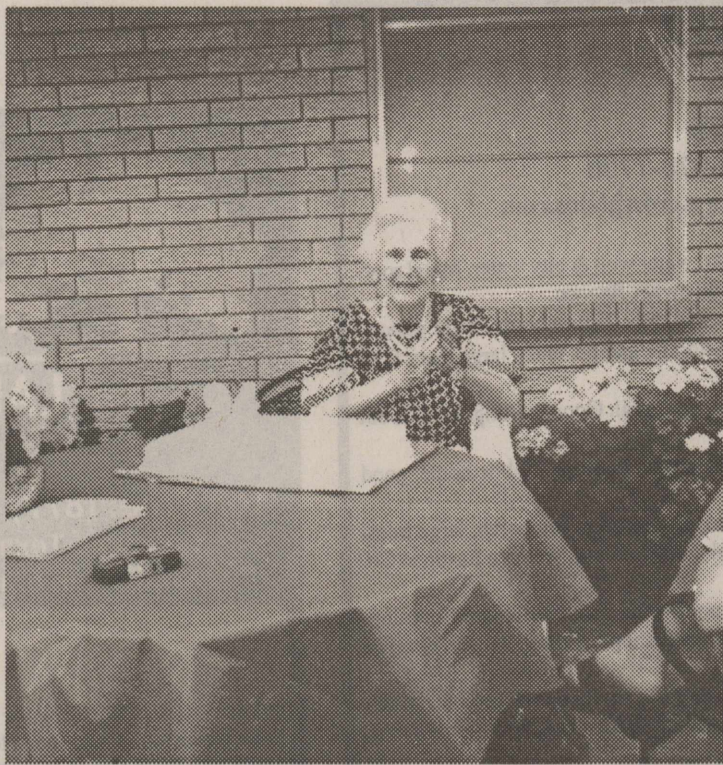
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HAPPY 94TH BIRTHDAY—Lois Garrett

## Longtime Local Resident Honored with Birthday Party

Ron and Kay Jones hosted a patio party at the home of Ruby Jones in Cross Plains honoring Lois Garrett.

Lois celebrated her 94th birthday on June 24th. Cake, ice cream, and punch were served to guests, Dick and Sharon Koenig; JoJo Morgan and Katie and Kiley; Brandy Koenig and Spade;

Zora Mae Bryant; Renee Denny; Joyce Cottrell; Dow Chambers; Allen and Johnnie Bland; Troy Crockett; and Dorothy Odum.

Lois and Ruby have been good friends all their life. Ruby remarked, "Lois is a wonderful person." That we would all agree.

## American Cancer Society sponsors camp for children with cancer

Many Americans at some time in their lives are diagnosed, or know someone who is diagnosed with cancer. Sadly, many will be children. Dealing with cancer as a child can be especially challenging. Childhood cancer is often more complex; therefore, treatment can be much more difficult. To help the children through this battle, the American Cancer Society sponsors a special camp experience that is designed exclusively for children with cancer - Camp Discovery. Camp Discovery is held at Texas Lions Camp located in the heart of the Texas Hill Country in Kerrville. The camp is an excellent way for the children with cancer to adapt to a new environment while meeting other children that are in very similar situations. While having fun and learning new things, the children also gain self-esteem and valuable life skills.

As a camper, each child will have the opportunity to experience swimming, canoeing, archery, tennis, softball, dance, arts and crafts, nature appreciation, storytelling around the campfire—all the activities that make-up a normal summer camping experience. Camp Discovery gives these kids an understanding of being away from the comfort of their home and the guidance of their par-

ents, while preparing for the real world.

Volunteer counselors help these children appreciate their capabilities while developing awareness and acceptance of their illness. While encouraging independent expression and interest the counselors motivate the kids to be individuals and not lose hope.

Camp dates are scheduled for July 11-17, 2004. Approximately 135 Texas Children, ages 7 through 16 will attend Camp Discovery. Enrollment priority is given to those with the most recent cancer experience. For more information about Camp Discovery, call 512-919-1910. For information on childhood cancer or patient services programs call 1-800-ACS-2345 or visit [www.cancer.org](http://www.cancer.org).

## Fiddle Camp to take place at CJC July 5-11

The Randy Elmore Fiddle Camp will be held at Cisco Junior College Monday, July 5 through Sunday, July 11. The camp will include five full days of teaching and nightly concerts featuring instructors and recitals by the students. The public is invited to attend the nightly concerts, and there is no charge for admission. Concerts will be held in the Harrell Fine Arts Auditorium located on the Cisco campus.

Elmore has taught at music camps in Texas, Louisiana, Arkansas, Tennessee, New Mexico, California, and Oregon. He began his professional career at age 20 and has worked with top name artists such as Reba McEntire, George Strait, Mel Tillis, Ray Price, and Asleep At The Wheel. Elmore has received numerous awards including being named "Instrumentalist of the Year" at the Lincoln County Cowboy Symposium in Ruidoso, NM, inducted into the "Western Swing Hall of Fame" in Sacramento, CA, and inducted into the "Texas Fiddlers Hall of Fame". Elmore also won "Texas State Fiddle Champion", six times, "World Champion" twice and was voted "Favorite Fiddler of the Year".

Other award-winning musicians/instructors scheduled to join Elmore at this year's fiddle camp are Sherry McKenzie, Dale Morris, Valerie O'Brien, Johnny Gimble, Jim "Texas Shorty" Chancellor, Dick Gimble, and Buddy Spicher. Biographies for each of the instructors and complete camp information can be found on Elmore's website at [www.randyelmore.com](http://www.randyelmore.com).



KIWANIS CLUB NEWS—Nevada O'Pry (right) was introduced by Jess Bigbee (left) as the guest speaker. Mrs. O'Pry spoke on behalf of CARR (City And Rural Rides). She discussed ride scheduling, medical transportation, rules and guidelines, and also fare and payment options. She was very helpful and just full of knowledge. Please come and join us every Tuesday, Noon at Jean's Feed Barn.

## Whitehead on HPU Dean's List

BROWNWOOD - Cross Plains native Larry Whitehead, a student at Howard Payne University, was named to the Dean's List for the 2004 spring semester. Students must achieve a 3.65 to 3.99 grade point average to be named to the Dean's List.

## LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Dear Vanda,

I just wanted to let you know that I related to that "donkey in the well" story in last week's Down Home. Actually, I recognized myself and I am happy to announce that after 84 years I am out of the well!!!! I loved the story and want to

encourage others to keep on "throwing off the dirt" and NEVER give up.

Say "hello" to Myrna Mitchell and all the girls at Texas Heritage Bank. They have always been an inspiration to me.

Sincerely,  
Julia Devers  
Brownwood, Texas

## IT'S A BOY!

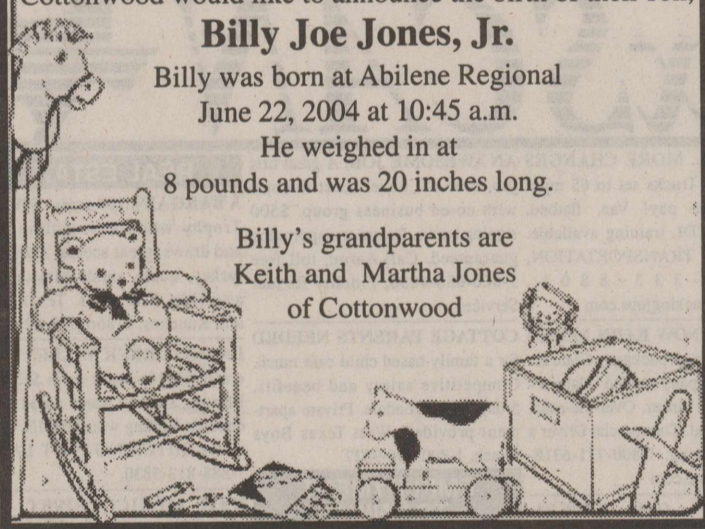
Tina Purdy of Cross Plains and Billy Jones of Cottonwood would like to announce the birth of their son,

### Billy Joe Jones, Jr.

Billy was born at Abilene Regional June 22, 2004 at 10:45 a.m.

He weighed in at 8 pounds and was 20 inches long.

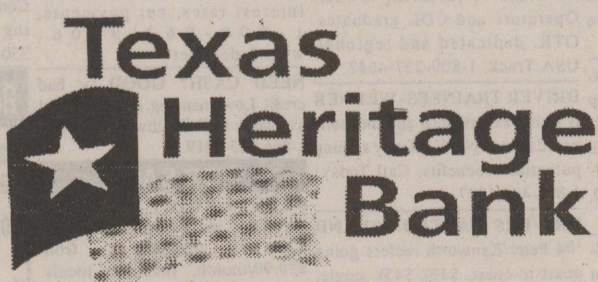
Billy's grandparents are Keith and Martha Jones of Cottonwood



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