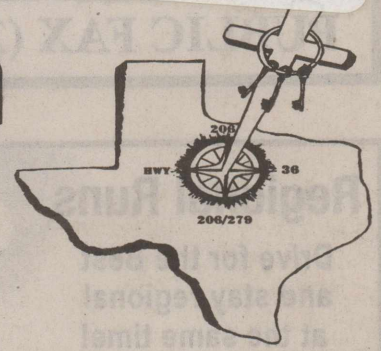


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DOWN HOME

EDITOR'S NOTE: The following was brought by the office by Ray King of Cross Plains. He seems to have lots of good information that he is sharing with our readership.

The description of the faithfulness of "man's best friend" (the dog) has a wonderful twist to the ending.

It is amazing how a dog will give you their utmost love and attention. When I visited my daughter, Leah, and family last weekend, my former dog, Kozy with a K, stayed beside me most of the time. She has always had a unique way of giving affection in that she will rub her head and entire body against you repeatedly. She especially likes to do this procedure under your chin, if you are lying down. If you put your hand down, she will run under it and seemingly beg to be petted. Then she will give you a lick right in the face before you know what has happened. Such love and devotion!

You will discover someone else also has these wonderful qualities. Read to see who. **Vanda Anderson**

"Dog"

A faithful dog will play with you and laugh with you or cry. He'll gladly starve to stay with you, nor ever reason why.

And when you're feeling out-of-sorts somehow he'll understand. He'll watch you with his shining eyes and try to lick your hand.

His blind implicit faith in you is matched by his great love. The kind that all of us should have in the Master up above!

When everything is said and done I guess this isn't odd; For when you spell dog backwards you will get the name of **GOD.**



KIWANIS CLUB NEWS—For the tenth consecutive year, twelve Boneheads of the Metroplex attended the Kiwanis Club in Cross Plains. The twelve doctors were guests of Dr. Don Clark. Kiwanis meet each Tuesday at noon.

Athletic Boosters to Sell Baked Potatoes and Memberships

Cross Plains Athletic Boosters will be selling loaded potatoes filled with chili, cheese, butter, sour cream and bacon bits for only \$3.00 at the Friday night Varsity football game, September 3rd.

They will also be selling

memberships to the Cross Plains Athletic Booster Club for \$5.00 for individuals or \$10.00 per family. Booster Club members will enjoy discounts on clothing sold by the Booster Club also.

Come out and support the school and the athletes.

Children's Choir to Begin Sept. 8th at First Baptist Church

Children in Kindergarten to 6th grade are invited to join the Children's Choir at First Baptist Church. Choir will begin on Wednesdays starting September 8th from 6 to 6:45 p.m.

The youngest choir will be Kindergarten Choir. 1st to 3rd grade children will participate in

"Music Makers". The 4th to 6th grade students will enjoy "Young Musicians".

Parents, encourage your child to participate in this fun and learning opportunity each week. To enroll in one of these choirs, call the First Baptist Church office at 725-7629. It's fun and it's free!

Flea Market Set for this SATURDAY

The **FLEA MARKET** at the Cross Plains Library's north building really picked up speed during August! We now have five vendors offering a large variety of gently used items for the kitchen, bath, bedroom, office, dorm room—and some just for fun.

If you haven't been by to see us, be sure to drop in this **Saturday, September 4, between 8 a.m. and noon.**

Of course, the Library also still has lots of used books for you to dig through, and you can take home a grocery sack of good reading for just \$3.00.

So come on downtown this Saturday morning and shop for some terrific bargains.

Roping Club to host Playday September 11

Here we go again! We've decided that we had so much fun at the last playday, we were going to do it again. In fact, we are going to have one every 2nd Saturday of the month until the end of the year — weather permitting, of course.

Saturday, September 11th is the date to remember. Stick horse games will begin at 3 p.m. Horse events start at 5 p.m. Horse events include: Barrels, Poles, Flags, Keyhole, Scuda and Balloon Race. Entry fees for events are \$5.00 an event, or all 6 events for \$25.00. The stick horse games are free. There will be a \$1.00 admission charge at the gate. Concession stand will be open. Hope to see you there.

33 Units of Blood Netted

Blood donors are the true heroes in our communities! Seventy-two percent of the population will need blood or a blood product, plasma or platelets, at some time in their lives. Only **five percent** of eligible donors actually give this precious gift of life.

Thank you to the 36 people who came through the doors of the Bloodmobile. Thirty-three units of blood were collected at the drive held in Cross Plains on August 24, with 3 deferrals.

The next area blood drive is scheduled for **Tuesday, October 19, from 1-6 p.m.** All area residents are encouraged to put this important date on your calendar. Meek Blood Center Bloodmobile will again be set up in front of First Baptist Church in Cross Plains.

Please plan to give so others may live.

With sincere thanks from Helen Parson, Local Chairman.

"Building the Tabernacle of David" Three-Day Conference Announced

William and Angela Nunez from River City Fellowship in San Antonio will be holding a 3-day Conference at Living Water Ministries in Cross Plains. Meetings will be Friday and Saturday, September 3rd and 4th, at 7 p.m. and Sunday, September 5th, at 10:00 a.m.

This will be an exciting time of praise and worship, as well as an impartation of the Word of The

LORD targeted for the hour and season that the Church is entering into.

There is no charge for this conference and a nursery will be provided. Come and experience this timely, inspiring and uplifting conference. Living Water Ministries is located on West Highway 36 in Cross Plains, across from the West Highway 36 Motel.

4th Annual Party for Jesus September 3-4 at Rising Star Park

4th annual "Party for Jesus" is planned for Saturday and Sunday, September 4-5, at the Rising Star Colquittie William Park Pavilion.

Come as you are and join in the celebration where Jesus will be preached and sang about.

Free hotdogs, coffee and tea will be served to all attending and to Labor Day travelers.

Festivities begin around noon and continue until?????

Country Christian musicians lined up for the afternoon are Mike Hammock and the group "Branded", Clay Jacobs from Abilene, and possibly the group "Hands of Faith" from Fort Worth. All these musicians will also have a good word from the Lord.

Saturday night Justin Todd

Herrod, an evangelist with the Billy Graham Prison Ministries, will be ministering in song and preach God's word.

Sunday morning worship services will begin at 10 a.m. with Justin Todd Herrod preaching the word.

Everyone from everywhere is invited, so load up a car, van or bus and come on out and enjoy some Christian fellowship.

All weekend is free, but we will have boxes for love offerings to help defray the ministers gas expenses.

Come as you are! See ya there! If you have any questions please call (254) 643-5502, (254) 643-1521 or (254) 725-6345.

Submitted by **Debra Childers**

Cross Plains Buffalo Door Mats on Sale

Get your new purple and gold Cross Plains Buffaloes 34 inch X 22 inch door mat. The indoor/outdoor mat has a rubber no slide bottom and a purple top with gold lettering and gold buffalo.

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Show your support for the Cross Plains Buffaloes Band and purchase your mat for \$40.00 at the Friday night game or contact Karen Lenz at (254) 725-4023 or (325) 668-3604.

Services Held for Eddie Petty, Former Business Owner in Cross Plains

Edward "Eddie" Petty, 79, of Cross Plains, passed away Saturday, August 28, 2004, at Brownwood Regional Medical Center. Services were held at 2:00 p.m. Tuesday, August 31, 2004, at Higginbotham Chapel in Cross Plains with Joe Coppinger officiating, assisted by Mike Kelley. Burial was in the Cross Plains Cemetery with the Masons officiating at the graveside rites.

Eddie was born May 18, 1925 in Knox City, Texas to Ed Petty and

Frances Pearl (Bryant) Petty. He married Dorothy Coppinger on October 5, 1947 in Cross Plains. Eddie was self-employed as a retailer and had a store in Cross Plains for many years. He also served in the U.S. Navy during World War II in the South Pacific and Okinawa. He was a member of the Masonic Lodge #627 for 50 years. He was a member of First United Methodist Church of Cross Plains.

Survivors include his wife, Dorothy Petty of Cross Plains; four daughters, Marcia Voigts of Abilene, Dianne Alexander of Baird, Paula Kelley of McKenzie, Tennessee, and Doreen Shields of Cross Plains; a son, Steve Petty of Austin; 12 grandchildren and 9 great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents and a sister, Celia Belew. Pallbearers were Freddy Tatom, W.G. McCoy, Eddie Neal Gunter, Bobby Voigts, Alvin Hutchins and Ray Purvis.

Memorials may be made to the Cross Plains Public Library, P.O. Box 333, Cross Plains, Texas 76443.

**FRIDAY
SEPTEMBER 3, 2004
CLASSES DISMISS AT 2:30 P.M.
BUSES WILL RUN AT 2:40 P.M.**

**LABOR DAY HOLIDAY
MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 6, 2004**

**CLASSES WILL RESUME ON
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 7TH**

Cross Plains Football

Junior High	Varsity
vs.	vs.
Winters	Winters
September 2, 2004	September 3, 2004
5:00 p.m.	7:30 p.m.
There	Home
J.V. immediately following	

The Kiwanis Club of Cross Plains will hold its annual charity golf tournament on Saturday, September 11th, at Rolling Oaks Golf Club in Rising Star. All proceeds will benefit the Children's Miracle Network and local Kiwanis projects.

The tournament is a 3-person, best-ball scramble. The cost is \$40 per player, which does not include golf cart. Cart rental is available at the course or bring your own.

The entry fee includes the following:

- *Eligibility for all hole-in-one prizes including a \$10,000 hole-in-one prize.
 - *Eligibility for closest to the 'pin prize.
 - *Eligibility for longest drive prize.
 - *One mulligan per player (3 max. per team).
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Sunday Morning Worship.....11:00 A.M.
Sunday Evening Worship.....6:00 P.M.

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OBITUARIES

Jimmie McDonald

Jimmie Jack McDonald, 64, was born the youngest of eight children to Charles Leslie and Thelma Belle Huddleston McDonald in Putnam, Texas on December 7, 1939, and departed this life at his home on August 2, 2004.

Jimmie's early years were spent in Texas where he graduated from Cross Plains High School in 1957 with the honor of being captain of his football team. After high school Jimmie joined the U.S. Navy serving his country from 1958 till 1962. On his return from the Navy he married Evelyn Hemming in Irving, Texas, and to this union two children were born. Jimmie and his family moved to Ava, Missouri in 1990 where he finished his career as a Range technician with the U.S. Forestry Service, where he was employed for 26 years. Jim always loved the simply country life and enjoyed his horses and farming. He worked with his son Charles producing rodeos after retiring until his health forced him to quit. Jim was a member of the Ava Church of Christ.

Survivors include his wife, Evelyn of the home; one daughter, Angelia Leslie Montgomery of Plano; a son, Charles Leslie McDonald of Ava, Missouri; and eight grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents, two brothers and five sisters.

Memorial services for Jimmie McDonald were held Sunday, August 8, 2004, at 1:30 p.m. at the Ava Church of Christ with Brad Smith and Joe Corum officiating. Cremation under the direction of Clinkingbeard Funeral Home of Ava, Missouri.

Memorial contributions may be made to the charity or church of your choice.

Austin Davis Jackson

Austin Jackson, 79, of Cross Plains, passed away Thursday, August 26, 2004, at his home. Services were held at 2:00 p.m. Saturday, August 28, 2004, at First Baptist Church in Cross Plains with Ronnie White officiating, assisted by Darryl Francy; burial was in the Lost Creek Cemetery.

Austin was born February 12, 1925 in Hamilton to Bryant Floyd and Vera Lewallen (Bigbee) Jackson. He married Lillian Stewart in February of 1948 in Brownwood. He worked as an auto body mechanic and farmer. He also served in World War II, seeing action in the South Pacific where he received a medal of honor. Austin was a member of First Baptist Church of Cross Plains.

Survivors include his wife, Lillian Jackson of Cross Plains; two children, Rhonda Hinten and Gaylon Jackson, both of Cross Plains; three brothers, Horace Jackson of Abilene and Frank Jackson of Michigan; four grandchildren, Darryl Francy, Candice Francy, C.A. Francy and Joel Hinten; three great-grandchildren, Dakota Francy, Devyn Francy and Gabriel Francy.

He was preceded in death by his parents and three brothers.

Pallbearers were Jim Jackson, Johnny Jackson, Glenn Jackson, Roy Jackson, Robert Jackson and Karl Jackson.

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Revival Coming at First United Methodist Church in Cross Plains

First United Methodist Church in Cross Plains will be hosting a revival on September 12-14. For four services Bishop Dan Solomon will be the guest minister, in this time of spiritual renewal.

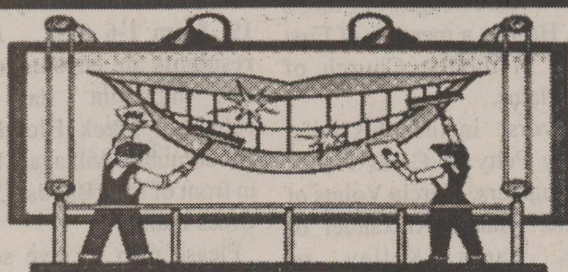
Bishop Solomon is the resident Bishop at McMurry University. He has been Bishop of the Louisiana conference from 1996-2000 and the Oklahoma conference from 1988-1996. Bishop Solomon is considered one of the great preachers in the United Methodist church today. He has served as pastor for churches such as First United Methodist Church of Corpus Christi, and Travis Park United Methodist Church in San Antonio. Bishop Solomon's sermon series is entitled "The Stories of the Story". He will preach at

the Sunday morning worship service on "Jesus: Trying Again is Christy", Sunday evening on "Moses: The Unlikely Servant", Monday evening will be "Esther: The Surprising Choice", and Tuesday evening will be "Gideon: The Useful Coward".

Special music will be hosted by First United Methodist Church of Cross Plains, Danny Lewis (Choir Director of First United Methodist Church of Baird) and First Baptist Church of Cross Plains.

Sunday morning worship begins at 10:45 a.m. and evening services will begin at 7:00 p.m. Services are open to our whole community. We hope that you will join us, for this wonderful event and have your own heart warmed.

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COURTHOUSE NEWS

**COUNTY COURT
Roger Corn, presiding**

Misdemeanor Minutes

Mack Davis, plea of guilty to deadly conduct, 1 year probation, \$400 fine, \$243 court costs, \$100 restitution.
John Freeman, motion to dismiss to assault granted, victim dropped the charges, signed affidavit of non-prosecution.

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

Civil Filings

Shari W. Seals and Lunden David Seals, Jr., divorce.
The State of Texas vs \$16,111.00 in US currency, original notice of seizure and intended forfeiture.
John Windham and Amy Lynn Windham, divorce.
Waylon Prather and Charlotte Prather, divorce.

**Scranton Musical
set for Saturday**

The Scranton Musical will be held Saturday, September 4, 2004 at the Scranton Community Center. The kitchen opens at 5:30 p.m. Ruth Ray and Anita Webb will be hostesses this month. They are cooking up a good special that will be available plus sandwiches and home made pies. All area musicians are invited to play. Please call 325-692-2057 to reserve a time for your group. Mark Ray is the emcee. We look forward to seeing lots of you Saturday night.



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The State of Texas vs. Michael Hargrove, application for writ of habeas corpus.

Civil Minutes

The State of Texas vs. Teddy G. Merryman, et ux, et al, award of special commissioners, State of Texas to award \$22,500.00 to defendants granted.

**Criminal
Information & Complaints**

Gary W. Tate, driving while intoxicated (DWI).

Criminal Minutes

Damon B. Propst, motion to dismiss motion to revoke probation granted.

Anna F. Bender, plea of guilty to tampering with a witness, 1 year probation, \$500 fine, \$286 court costs.

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RISING STAR NURSING NEWS

By LINDA MERRITT

The residents started on their fall craft this week. With bows, beads and pretty foam colored leaves for making door hangers to display.

We extend our heartfelt sympathies to the family of Eddie Petty. May it comfort you to know that the thoughts and prayers of others are with you.

A warm welcome for our new resident, Ruby Murdock.

Our winner for black-out Bingo was Lorene Jennings. Congratulations Lorene!

Elgie Crisp is looking mighty sharp in his new overalls he bought at Johnson's Dry Goods in Cross Plains.

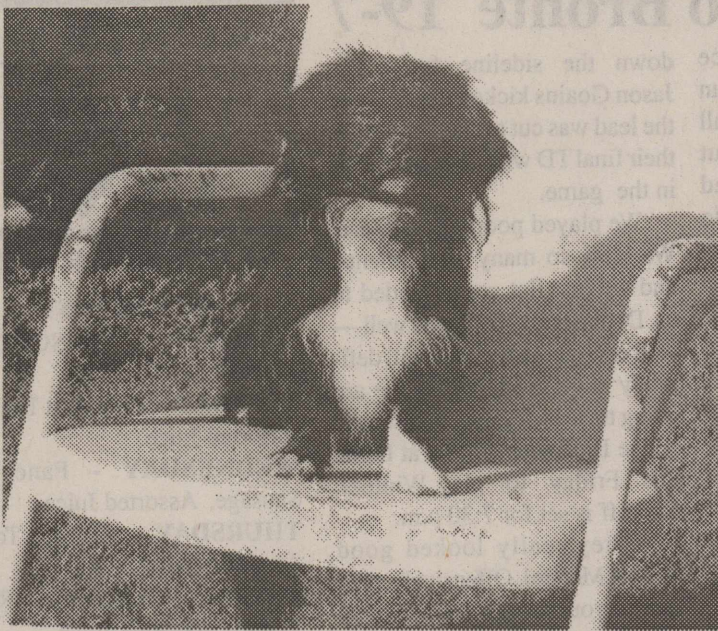
We appreciate Martha Switzer for coming daily and visiting with Pauline Switzer and other residents.

State surveyors were in our building for a yearly inspection of our facility and we are all proud to announce that we received a good survey.

A cloudy day is no match for a sunny disposition.

COTTONWOOD NEWS

By WALLACE BENNETT



DO I BELONG TO YOU??

A Lost Dog in Cottonwood

Why anyone would want to abandon a nice little doggie, is beyond me (see photo). Maybe, he has just strayed from a nice home and someone is looking for him as hard as he is looking for his master. I hope that is the case. At any rate, "LBD" (Little Black Dog) showed up at our doorstep this past weekend and seems to be looking for a home. Now, normally, I would keep this cute little doggie, he's my kind of breed, a "strooch" (half stray and half pooch), with my kind of markings—black and white, except that I have two cute little dogs already with my kind of breed and markings. They are a handful! So imagine me trying to find a hotel room with "three" little black and white dogs.

Now here's the deal! You come claim this cute LBD, or come to adopt him and he's all yours.

DEADLINE IS SUNDAY NIGHT, September 5, 2004. He goes to the "POUND" on Monday.

Cemetery Folks Looking for Names of Veterans

The Board of Directors of the Cottonwood Historical Association is looking for information about veterans who have been interred in either of the Cottonwood Cemeteries.

If you know of anyone who has answered the call to duty for military service at anytime in the past and has been buried in either of the Cottonwood Cemeteries, please call Beverly Brown at (254) 725-7369. Thanks to everyone who has already responded to

the first request for information about veterans. The Board believes there are other veterans buried in the cemeteries who are yet unknown. The cemetery folks are trying to place flags on all known veteran's graves for Veteran's Day, November 11, 2004.

Cottonwood Connections

Susie Coppinger, wife of Parker Coppinger, died recently and was buried in Abilene.

Eddie Petty, husband of Dorothy (Coppinger) Petty, has died and the funeral services were held Tuesday, August 31st.

Cottonwood Calendar Items for September

Well, this is the beginning of September and its star-over tie for folks in Cottonwood. School has already started in Cross Plains, Beta Sigma Phi Sorority meet tonight for their first meeting of the year. The Signi Fi Nil Fraternity (husband's survival) met for their annual meeting at Jean's Feed Barn Monday night and there are signs that another fall is about to fall, and is about to fall on Cottonwood, Texas, and THANK GOD for the great privilege of being here to witness it.

Quilting dates for the month of September are 2, 9, 16, 23 and 30. Volunteer Fire Control unit meets Thursday, September 16, at 7 p.m. at the Fire Hall.

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

BURKETT NEWS

By LOVERA STRICKLAND

Burkett-Adams Cemetery reports for donations including: Sam and Stephanie Strickland \$20; Lanette Burns \$20; J.B. Burkett \$100; Jerry Brown \$25; Alice Edington \$25; Janet Hounshell \$25; Virginia Shewmaker (In Memory of George Shewmaker) \$1,000; Skip Nichols \$100; Judy Reynolds, Frankie Sortland, Natalie and Dean Klick, Rex and Wenona Angeley, Jack and Wynnelle Angeley (In Memory of Mil Angeley) \$140; Corene Adams (In Memory of Elizabeth Koenig) \$20; and E.L. Rasbury \$50.

Each donation is greatly appreciated and it goes for the upkeep of the Burkett and Adams Cemeteries.

The Brady's vacation this summer was to Branson, Missouri. They had a great time. They met their kids, Kim and Dawson and grandsons, Brady and Brandon. They did go carts. Nana and Papa were driving

and Brady was giving the instructions. They did bumper cars—loved hitting Nana and listening to her scream. In their free time, Mike and Linda went to shows. They were able to walk, as they were camped very close to what is called "the strip". They went to a show called "Lost in the 50's"; museum and show of a tribute to Roy Rodgers and Dale Evans done by their son. All the shows were very good. After getting home they have six of their grandchildren staying with them. They went camping, swimming, and fishing and had a great time. They did lots of cooking. Now the Bradys are trying to recoup.

Jackie Strickland and Deonna and Dwight Moses of Somerville visited Lovera Strickland over the weekend.

Kevin and Jessica McKinney of Goldsboro spent last Tuesday with their grandparents, Bob and Beth Kleiber.

GARDEN TIPS

By JAMES NICHOLS

Texture describes the relative amounts of large, medium and small particles called sand, silt and clay in your soil. The sandier the soil, the faster the water will drain through, though.

To determine the texture of your soil, dig a hole one foot deep by one foot square, fill with water and time how long it takes it to drain. The ideal time is between

15 to 30 minutes. If it drains in less than 10 minutes, the soil is drought prone. If it takes over an hour, your soil is poor drainage.

Add organic materials such as compost, manure, or shredded leaves to improve the ability to hold water to clay soil to help it drain more quickly.

SENIOR CITIZENS MENU

SEPTEMBER 6 - 10

MONDAY - CLOSED FOR LABOR DAY

TUESDAY - Beef Vegy Soup, Pimento Cheese Sandwich, Apricots, Crackers, Milk

WEDNESDAY - Oven Fried Chicken, Gravy, Mashed Potatoes, Green Beans, Cherry

Crisp, Bread, Milk
THURSDAY - Enchilada Casserole, Refried Beans, Spanish rice, Sugar Cookie, Crackers, Milk
FRIDAY - Chicken & Dumplings, Tossed Salad, Carrots, Brownie, Bread, Milk

2nd & 4th Tuesdays Domino Night (42 & 84)

Begins at 5:00 p.m.

CROSS PLAINS CEMETERY ASSOCIATION REPORT FOR THE MONTH OF JULY 2004

Donations & Earnings	
I/M Harold Freeman by M/M Macon Freeman	\$ 100.00
Interest Added To Acct.	.56
TOTAL	\$100.56
Grave Opening Permits	
1 Plot - Doris Adams	\$ 75.00
GOP - Heartland Funeral Home	75.00
1 Plot - Wanda Anderson	75.00
GOP-Higginbotham Funeral Home for Jerry Hollis	75.00
TOTAL	\$300.00

BREAKTHRU

By Bob Pipes
Cross Plains Church of Christ
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I half-jokingly headlined a personal ad in the newspaper last week — a "garage sale" ad — "Left Behind." I don't know if anyone really understood what I was getting at — that when we moved to our new house, we "left behind" some things that we were going to sell (or give away) at a "garage sale." I thought it would be an eye-catcher because of the recent book series by that title/theme.

I'm sure that the book series contains some good "food for thought" — but truth of the matter is, there "ain't" going to be anyone really "left behind" at the Lord's next coming! When He comes in the air (He's not setting foot on earth, by the way...) all the graves will be opened. "All who are in the graves will hear His voice and come forth..." (John 5:28b-29a). The "left behind" live ones of Matthew 24:40-41 are those who will be doomed to destruction, II Thess. 2:7-9, those taken are the ones who will meet Jesus in the air, I Thess. 4:17 — but both groups are on their way to their eternal destiny, heaven or hell, and the remaining ones are not really "left behind." We must make it our aim to be headed in the right "direction" but in order for that to be, we must be "aimed" in the right direction while alive.

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LIBRARY NEWS



Behind The Books

Such beautiful fall weather—sure makes one want to get out and about. Think I'll start on over to the Annex now to be sure I get there in time for the fun on Saturday.

I'm sure we can scrunch a couple more vendors in there for the big twice-a-month Flea Market. And that means more neat stuff (real old and real new) to browse through.

I really wanted that old black typewriter in a box that somebody got last time. But I don't have any pockets to carry money in and she beat me to it. CU over there—BW

Statistics August 23-27

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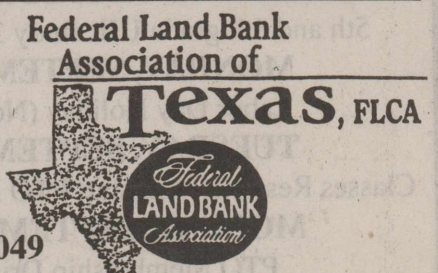
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C.P. STUDENT REVIEW

Buffaloes Lose Opener To Bronte 19-7

The Cross Plains Buffaloes traveled to Bronte Friday night for their 2004 season opener. Despite not being able to get untracked offensively, the Buffaloes were in the game until the end, losing 19-7.

Bronte scored first in the contest. At 8:21 in the first, a Bronte defender stepped in front of a Buffalo pass and raced 40 yards for a touchdown. The PAT was no good and Bronte led, 6-0. Later in the quarter, the Buffalo defense stopped a Longhorn drive when Brandon Horton (1 fumble recovery) stepped in front of a pass for his first interception of the season. The first half ended with Bronte leading, 6-0.

The Buffaloes looked like they were going to get their offense rolling to open the second half. A

five yard carry by Chance Watkins and a twenty yard run by Russell Thomas had the ball set up near mid-field but the Longhorn defense forced Cross Plains to punt. The Buffalo defense held tough and Roy Smith blocked a punt (1 of 2) giving the Buffaloes the ball at the 15 yard line. On fourth down, a pass intended for Jason Goains fell incomplete. At 9:10 of the 4th quarter, Bronte scored their second TD when a mishandled snap on a punt was recovered by Junior Borwn. Bronte led, 12-0.

The Buffaloes got on the scoreboard at the 6:16 mark of the 4th quarter. On 4th and 9 from the 20 yard line, QB, Russell Thomas hit receiver Roy Smith running

down the sideline for a TD. Jason Goains kicked the PAT and the lead was cut to six. Bronte got their final TD with 18 seconds left in the game.

"We played poorly on offense. We blew so many assignments, and we just flat got it handed to us. Defensively we played well — well enough to win. We will definitely have to improve if we are going to be successful in district."

The Buffaloes will be at home this Friday to play Winters. Kickoff is set for 7:30 p.m.

"They really looked good against Menard. Offensively, they spread you out and their QB has a good arm. Defensively, they are big up front and have a good secondary."

Submitted by
Coach Hagler

	CROSS PLAINS	BRONTE
FIRST DOWNS	3	7
RUSHING YARDS	28-38	48/177
PASSING YARDS	2/36	1/15
COMP-ATT-INT	3-23-1	1-2-1
FUMBLES-LOST	2-2	2/2
PENALTIES-YARDS	10-66	11-70
PUNTS	6/35	4/21

SCORE BY QUARTERS					
	1ST	2ND	3RD	4TH	TOTAL
CROSS PLAINS	0	0	0	7	7
BRONTE	6	0	0	13	19

SCORING SUMMARY					
1st Quarter: #22 Int. Return 40 yds (PAT failed) - Bronte 6 CP 0					
2nd Quarter:					
3rd Quarter:					
4th Quarter: #22 Recovered fumble in endzone 9:10 (Pass failed) Bronte 12 CP 0; #48 Smith 20 yd pass from Thomas 6:16 (PAT good - Goains) Bronte 12 CP 6; #22 16 yd pass :19 (PAT good) Bronte 19 CP 6					

SCHOOL BOARD MINUTES

August 30, 2004

Superintendent Jackie Tennison was present.

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

The following administrators and guests were also in attendance: Superintendent.

The public meeting for Budget Hearing and Tax Proposal.

Motion was made by V. Dillard and seconded by Bennett to adjourn.

Prayer was led by Bryan Bennett.

Motion was made by Bennett and seconded by D. Dillard to accept the agreement with JTH Enterprise for accounting service for 7/1/04 thru 6/30/05. For 7 Against 0

Motion was made by Pillans and seconded by Schaefer to accept the budget amendments for 2003-2004. For 7 Against 0

Motion was made by Cook and seconded by V. Dillard to adopt the budget of \$2,941,094 for 2004-2005. For 7 Against 0

Motion was made by Bennett and seconded by Cook to adopt the tax rate of \$1.22090 for M&O and 0.735 for J&S—total tax rate of \$1.2944. For 7 Against 0

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

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PLAYER OF THE WEEK

DEFENSE

ROY SMITH

Outside Linebacker- Jr.
Tackles: 5
Assists: 4
3 Sacks, 1 Tackle for Loss, 2 Blocked Punts
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Buffaloes!!

The Red Steagall Cowboy Gathering Offers College Scholarships

Now is the time to compete in the Youth Poetry Contest during THE RED STEAGALL COWBOY GATHERING. This year's event in the Stockyards National Historic District in Fort Worth, will be held October 22-24, 2004.

Two categories, a junior division for poets 8-12 and a senior division for poets 13-18 years old are available. An entry form may be obtained at the *Cross Plains Review* and must be postmarked no later than September 30, 2004.

The first and second place winners in each age division will receive a scholarship to be applied toward college tuition. (Scholarship funds will be provided directly to the college or university of the winner's choice once he or she has been accepted for enrollment.) Each finalist will receive a copy of Red Steagall's book *RISE FOR THE BRAND* and a commemorative medal.

If you have any questions call 817-444-5502.



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SCHOOL LUNCH MENU

SEPTEMBER 6 - 10

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TUESDAY - Breakfast Burrito, Assorted Juice

WEDNESDAY - Pancakes, Sausage, Assorted Juice

THURSDAY - Cereal, Toast, Assorted Juice

FRIDAY - Cinnamon Roll, Yogurt, Assorted Juice

LUNCH

MONDAY- LABOR DAY

TUESDAY- Salisbury Steak w/ Brown Gravy, Rolls, Mixed Vegies, Mashed Potatoes, Peaches

WEDNESDAY- Beef/Cheese Nachos, Salad, Corn, Fruit Crisp

THURSDAY- Mini Corn Dog or Pizza Pocket, Raw Vegies w/Dip, Mixed Fruit

FRIDAY- Beef or Chicken Patty on Bun, Lettuce, Tomato, Pickles, Fries, Rice Krispie Treat

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September 2, 2004

Registration deadline is September 17 for October ACT test

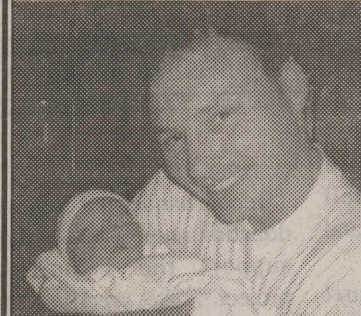
College-bound high school students can take the ACT Assessment on October 23, 2004, the next national test date. The deadline for postmark registration is September 17. The late registration deadline is October 1 (an additional \$15 fee is required for late registration). Students can get registration materials from their guidance counselor or they can register on-line at www.actstudent.org.

ACT scores are accepted by virtually all colleges in the nation, including all Ivy League schools. The exam is administered in all 50 states. Students can find the closest testing location closest by searching on ACT's website.

Some students perform better on the ACT because it is based on achievement, not aptitude.

The ACT exam includes four parts: English, reading, mathematics and science. It takes three hours to complete. The test fee is \$28. Free sample tests are available from high school counselors and sample questions can be found on ACT's website, which also offers inexpensive practice tests.

Beginning in February, 2005, an optional writing test will be added to the ACT Assessment. Since many colleges will not require a writing score, students will only have to take the writing test if their college requires it. Otherwise, they may opt for the regular ACT Assessment without the writing test. Students who plan to start college in the fall of 2006 should check with prospective colleges to find out if a writing score is required.



IT'S A GIRL!

Jessica Opal Hopkins

Jessica was born April 29, 2004 at Waynesboro, PA. She weighed 8 pounds 1 ounce. Proud parents are Justin and Jennifer Hopkins of Sabillasville, MD. Maternal grandparents are Lannie and Corrie Lake of Ft. Worth. Paternal grandparents are H.D. and Tricia Hopkins of Cross Plains. Maternal great-grandparents are Ray and Sandra Lake of Odessa and Muriel Rehmeier. Paternal great-grandparents are Betty Gary of Cross Plains and Jim Meador of Admiral and Rose Hopkins of Tulsa, OK. Jessica's daddy, Justin, is currently in the Navy Sea Bee's on the Presidential Support Staff.

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TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 7:

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MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 20:

PTO Membership Drive Ends

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 24:

End of 1st Six Weeks

Happy Birthday!

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Sharron (Dillard) Lewis
Michael Hargrove
Gloria Strahan Dominguez
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Eddie Gibson
Elizabeth Smith
Jami (Lewis) Stotts
Pete Barbar, Jr.
Kristin Hunter
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Mandy Bushnell
Jimmy Clark

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J.D. Goble
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Lynn Myers

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Latrell Joy
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Amanda Kitchens
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Before Digging Outdoors, keep these helpful tips in mind— Be Cautious!!!!

Whether it's in Wolforth or Abernathy, West Texans love to get outside during the summer and plant flower beds and trees or install a new fence or a backyard pool. Unfortunately, this upsurge in home improvement activity can also result in increased telephone service disruptions due to line cuts.

In addition to silence when attempting to use telephones, line cuts can result in internet, alarm systems, and even 911 disruptions. This past year, for example, a cable cut by a construction crew in Wolforth resulted in telephone service outages for approximately 12 hours.

"We're always concerned with customer safety, just more so in the summertime because property development activity can soar in the warmer weather. And with that can come a greater risk for injury or damage as homeowners and businesses come in closer proximity to underground utility lines," said Danny Ammons, vice-president or operations for VALOR Telecom's West Texas division.

"It's vital for homeowners, contractors, landscapers, and anyone else who will be digging, to contact the Texas One Call Center and have those utility lines located at least two days prior to digging. It's an important safety precaution that can help curb the kind of damage we see on a regular basis," Ammons said.

VALOR Telecom experiences some type of facility damage every day in Texas, and this damage can result in loss of service to any of the company's 108 serving areas in the western portion of the state. Beyond the safety concerns, digging that results in major property damage or physical injury can mean a federal fine of \$50,000.

So, before digging outdoors this summer, VALOR asks West Texas customers to keep these helpful tips in mind:


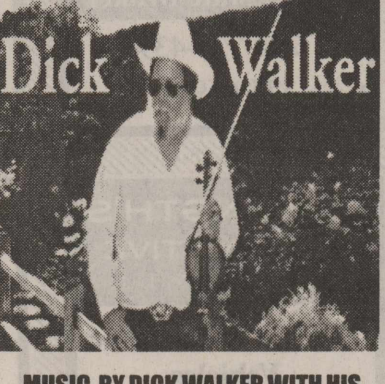
- Contact the Texas One Call Center at 1-800-245-4545 to locate underground utilities at least 48 hours or two business days prior to digging.
- Have the underground utility lines clearly marked.
- Give the marked lines a wide berth when digging nearby. A minimum distance of two feet or more is best.
- Dig only in calm, dry weather since the combination of surface moisture, lighting, and exposed lines can prove dangerous to people, digging equipment, and the lines themselves.

Besides Wolforth and Abernathy, other West Texas communities served by VALOR Telecom include; Adrian, Amherst, Andrews, Anton, Aspermont, Baird, Balmorhea, Benjamin, Blackwell, Booker, Bovina, Boys Ranch, Brownfield, Cactus, Channing, Clarendon, Claude, Clyde, Coyanosa, Crosbyton, Cross Plains, Dalhart, Darrouzett, Denver City, Dimmitt, Dodson, Dumas, Estelline, Fabens, Follet, Forsan, Fort Hancock, Frankel City, Friona, Fritch, Groom, Happy, Hart, Hartley, Haskell, Hedley, Higgins, Holliday, Hurlwood, Idalou, Imperial, Kamay, Knox City, Lakeview, Lamesa, Levelland, Littlefield, Loraine, Lorenzo, May, Meadow, Megargel, Memphis, Mentone, Merkel, Miami, Mobeettie, Moran, Morton, Munday, Nazareth, Olla, Panhandle, Pecos, Perryton, Petersburg, Post, Putnam, Ralls, Rising Star, Rochester, Ropesville, Rule, Sanford, Seagraves, Seymour, Shallowater, Sierra Blanca, Smyer, Spade, Spearman, Stratford, Sundown, Sunray, Tahoka, Throckmorton, Toyah, Trent, Tullia, Valentine, Van Horn, Vega, Weinert, Wellington, Wheeler, White Deer, Whiteface, Whitharral, Wildorado and Wilson.

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Grand Ole Oplin September line-up

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you want to get up and dance and closing the month out on September 24 Muddy Creek will be joining us with all your country favorites.

The Grand Ole Oplin is located at FM 604 S. and FM 2926 in Oplin. Our dances begin each Friday night at 7:30 p.m. and end at 10:30 p.m. Admission to our dances is still only \$4.00 per person. Alco-

holic beverages and smoking is not allowed. Everyone is invited to bring a snack to be shared by all during the band's break.

So gather all of your friends and family and come on out to the Grand Ole Oplin for an evening of good music and lots of dancing.

Submitted by: Pam Rumfield

Governor says Texas is setting national pace on highway construction

AUSTIN—Governor Rick Perry today (August 27) commended the Texas Department of Transportation's (TXDOT's) continued progress on state transportation projects. During their August meeting, TXDOT commissioners awarded contracts totaling \$650 million for 125 projects, bringing the fiscal year 2004 total to approximately \$4 billion in transportation construction contracts—more than any other state.

"These construction dollars will directly translate into reduced traffic congestion, less pollution from auto emissions and more Moms and Dads making it to their children's softball games and other activities on time," Perry said. "Texas is a national leader in progressive transportation solutions, and we're pouring by far more concrete than any other state so that commuters and cargo can move more efficiently."

Texas invested almost a billion more in transportation projects than California and \$2.9 billion more than New York for Fiscal Year 2004.

This construction pace was made possible with new financing tools that the legislature gave TXDOT and that voters approved in a constitutional amendments in 2001 and 2003.

According to Perry, the new transportation projects will continue to assist the state's job creation and economic development efforts. He cited safe and efficient goods delivery and increased quality-of-life benefits as key components in many

businesses' relocation and expansion decisions.

"We still have a long way to go to get traffic moving, and that is going to require innovative solutions like the Trans Texas Corridor," Perry said. "To further reduce gridlock and pollution, remove hazardous cargo from city centers, and create more jobs and opportunity, we need to build new routes and not just expand existing ones."

"State gas tax proceeds will not cover maintenance on the existing system this fiscal year, and no longer even contribute to building new highways," Perry said. "Texas also continues to get shortchanged on federal gas tax dollars with roughly 10 cents on the dollar being spent in other states. Neither the gas tax nor federal highway spending comes close to keeping up with Texas' growth. Only through innovative funding solutions can we make the progress we need."

Last year, House Bill 3588 which gave TXDOT new oversight authority, new planning and development tools and innovative financing options to address transportation needs for the state's growing population. Proposition 14, passed by Texas voters last September also allowed the state to leverage up to \$6 billion in mobility fund and highway fund bonds for construction projects. These efforts will expedite efficient implementation of the Trans Texas Corridor.

Some of the major projects approved by TXDOT this year include:

- \$250 million for the total reconstruction of a two-mile section of I-10 (Katy Freeway) in Houston.

- \$15.3 million for projects on I-37, which include adding a hurricane evacuation lane, to increase highway capacity from Corpus Christi north to SH 72.

- \$75 million for U.S. 281 Expressway projects between Pharr and Edinburg, which begins the three lane expansion on U.S. 281.

- \$13.7 million to widen a nine mile segment of US 87 from the New Mexico State Line to a four-lane divided highway.

Commissioners also approved two measures that will provide infrastructure improvements to Support additional troops sent to Texas military communities. Transportation improvements totaling \$20 million were approved for Fort Hood in response to the announcement that 5,000 additional soldiers and civilians will be assigned to the Central Texas base. Gov. Perry committed the state to this improvement contingent on additional personnel moving to Fort Hood, which was quickly followed by Secretary of Defense Donald Rumsfeld announcement of the additional troops. The commission also approved \$16.2 million in infrastructure improvements to support the 3,800 new troops scheduled to arrive at El Paso's Fort Bliss in 2006.

"These dollars are not just paving roads," Perry said. "They are paving the way for future opportunity."

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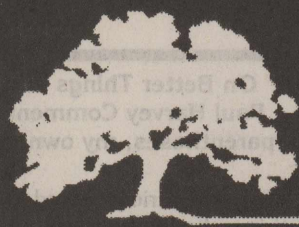
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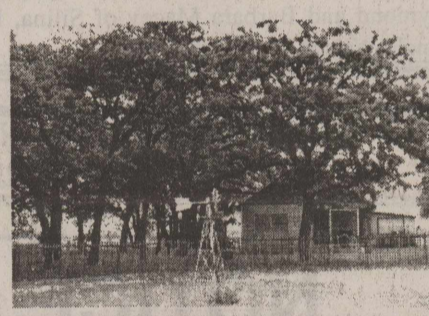
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HAPPY 83RD BIRTHDAY—Ruby Jones

Cross Plains Resident Recently Honored with a Special Party

A party was held Saturday, August 21, for Ruby Jones to celebrate her 83rd birthday. Hamburgers, chips and dips were served followed by cake and ice cream. Guests helping her celebrate were Ron and Kay Jones, granddaughter, Juhree Uhl, and husband, Daniel, Lois Garrett, Dick and Sharon Koenig, Joyce Cottrell, Dow Chambers, Elmer Hounshell, Judy Bench, Johnnie and Wayne Bland, Karen, Al and Becky Bland, May and Travis Barnes and their granddaughter, Chelsey.

On Better Things for Kids-Paul Harvey Comments in parentheses, my own. BHW

"We have tried so hard to make things better for our kids, that we have made them worse. For my grandkids I'D LIKE Better I'd like for them to know about hand-me-down clothes." (I don't know about you but I remember getting excited over "new" at least to me, hand me downs. There were not even any yard sales when I was growing up.)

"I would like them to know the delight of home made ice cream and left over meat loaf sandwiches." (Well do I remember the thrill of rare home made ice cream. I do not think I ever had meatloaf sandwiches. How many of you remember them?)

"I hope you learn to make your bed and mow the lawn, and wash the car. And I really hope that no one gives you a brand new car when you are sixteen. I hope you have a job by then." (I didn't even KNOW anyone who got a new car at age sixteen.) (If I didn't do chores I didn't get my small allowance.)

"I hope you have to share a bedroom with your younger brother." (Well do I remember sharing a bed with my sister She had a nasal problem and according to the family I would say "Ruth Ann, DON'T BREATHE!") "When your little brother wants to tag alone, I hope you will let him" (I'm afraid I was not very

good about that. My sisters were "the little kids")

"If you want a slingshot, I hope your Dad teaches you to make one. I hope you learn to dig in the dirt and read books." (Digging a cave for my "hideout" and reading books were two of my favorite past times.)

"When you learn to use a computer I hope you also learn to add and subtract in your head. When you talk back to your mother I hope you learn what Ivory soap tastes like."

(Does the law ALLOW us to wash out our kids mouth with soap these days?)

"I don't care if you try a beer once but I hope you don't like it. And if a friend offers you dope or a joint, I hope you realize he is not a friend. I hope you make time to sit on the porch with your grandpa and go fishing with your uncle. May you feel sorrow at a funeral and joy during holidays. I wish for you tough times and disappointments hard work and happiness." (I hope these thoughts brought back happy memories from days of yore and that we realize our children grow during tough times and mellow during times of joy.) BHW

This week I pay tribute with a moment of silence----- to my former housekeeper and friend Deloris Ann Tucker Halliburton who passed away last week.

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Get a tax benefit by donating your car or truck

AUSTIN—The new 2005 car models are out! New styles, low financing. Are you thinking of trading in your used car or truck? You may be able to turn your trade-in into a tax benefit and help in the fight against cancer by giving your vehicle to the American Cancer Society's Cars for a Cure program.

The American Cancer Society accepts all cars, trucks, newer RVs, or even boats as long as they are in fair condition, have inflated tires, available keys and their titles are clear. Proceeds from the sale of your vehicle provide funding for the American Cancer Society to continue life-saving research, education, and patient service programs in communities across Texas.

"This is an excellent way for Texans to give to the fight against cancer," said John Kyger, of the Income Development Department for the American Cancer Society, Texas Division. "Once a person decides to contribute their working vehicle to the ACS, we make the arrangements to pick up the car. Tax information will be provided after the vehicle is picked up and an estimated value is assessed."

Currently in Texas, the American Cancer Society supports 37 cancer researchers investing over \$31.5 million towards finding a cure for cancer.

For more information visit the American Cancer Society's Web site at www.cancer.org and click on Cars for a Cure or call 888-227-5500 Monday through Friday between 7 a.m. and 7 p.m. CST.

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Typical Texas senior could save \$1,584 with drug discount card

The average Texas senior could save \$1,584 off their prescription drug costs over 18 months by participating in the Medicare-approved drug discount card program, according to a new study. That represents a 43 percent savings off that typical Texas senior's entire drug costs. Statewide, with estimates showing that roughly 431,000 Texas residents, primarily seniors and people with disabilities, will sign up for the card, the estimated prescription drug savings Texas residents will receive reaches \$549 million, the study shows.

The study, an August 2004 analysis, "Assessment of Beneficiary Savings in the Medicare Drug Discount Card Program," was sponsored by the Healthcare Leadership Council (www.hlc.org). The study analyzed the savings available to seniors who sign up for the drug discount card, comparing the discount card prices (which are posted publicly on the Medicare.gov website) with average statewide retail prices for the 150 drugs most commonly prescribed to seniors.

"The savings available to senior Texans under the new Medicare drug discount cards are just what the doctor ordered," said Tom Kowalski, president of the Texas Healthcare and Bioscience Institute (THBI). "By adding a prescription drug component to Medicare especially one that allows for real savings for seniors - Congress has provided older Americans much-needed relief."

"This is a significant benefit, particularly for low-income seniors who rely on medicines for their health and well-being," Kowalski said. "Texas seniors and their families should make it a point to learn more about this benefit and the real potential for savings."

On a national level, the report finds that the typical American senior without drug benefits pays \$3,515 a year for prescription drugs. However, using the drug discount card means \$1,247 in

savings—or about 36 percent savings off the average senior's bill.

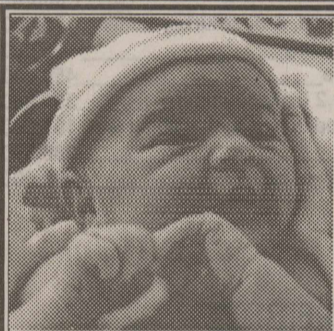
For millions of low-income Americans, the savings are even higher. The discount card program includes a \$600 annual benefit in both 2004 and 2005 for these seniors, who represent nearly a quarter of the more than four million cardholders. According to the study, low income seniors who qualify will save an average of \$1,548 on their prescription drug bill.

The study also reviewed how the drug savings card would impact individuals suffering from a variety of specific diseases. It found that an average senior suffering from arthritis, osteoporosis, and allergies who used the discount card could save about \$500 annually. Diabetes patients could save \$480. In both cases, those figures would rise substantially if the senior had qualified for the \$600 low-income benefit.

Finally, the study analyzed cost savings on brand-name vs. generic drugs. Seniors using the card to purchase brand name drugs would save approximately 19 percent or \$12.98 on each prescription. Savings on generic drugs were even higher with the card - averaging a remarkable 68 percent.

"All Medicare recipients should have access to the powerful and exciting drugs that improve both the quality and length of life," Kowalski said. "With these new drug benefits, now they will." With Medicare reporting that the average sign-up call to now 1-800-MEDICARE lasts only about 11 minutes, early enrollment barriers are beginning to come down. Seniors in need should investigate the Medicare discount cards to see if one is right for them.

About THBI
The mission of THBI is to research, develop, and advocate policies and actions that promote biomedical science, biotechnology, agriculture and medical device innovation in Texas. THBI is based in Austin.



IT'S A GIRL!

Haliey Mechele Robison

Haliey came into our heart July 6, 2004. She weighed 7 pounds 4 ounces and was 21 inches long.

She is the daughter of Brandi Patterson and Kyle Robison of Scandia, KA.

Grandparents are Joel and Tracy Patterson formally of Rising Star and Doyle and Linda Robison all of Scandia, KA. Great-grandparents are Charles and Judy Robison of Scandia, KA; Raymond and Barbara Macey of Silina, KA.; and Patsy and Donald Watson from Cross Plains.

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON BUDGET

The board of directors of the Callahan Appraisal District will conduct a public hearing on the proposed 2005 budget. The hearing will be held at 6:30 p.m. in the Appraisal District offices at 132 West Fourth in Baird, Texas on Monday, September 14, 2004. The 2005 budget proposal follows:

Total Proposed Budget **\$277,746**

This represents a .006576% increase over the 2004 budget of \$276,746

Number of employees compensated in 2004
5

Number of employees compensated in 2005
5

The Callahan County Appraisal District is supported solely by payments from the local taxing units served by the district. If approved by the Appraisal District board of directors at the public hearing, this proposed budget will take effect automatically unless disapproved by the governing bodies of the county, school districts, cities and towns served by the Appraisal District. A copy of the proposed budget is available for public inspection in the office of each of those governing bodies.

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