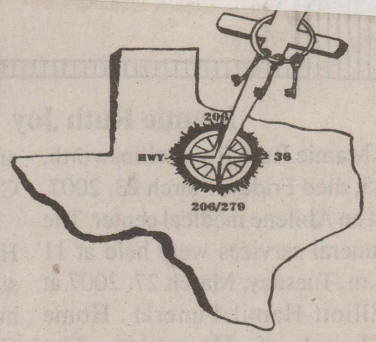


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THURSDAY, March 29, 2007



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## DOWN HOME

**Editor's Note:** Last week Bob Pipes brought to our attention the design of the new gold dollar and how the words "In God We Trust" are being progressively pushed aside. I've chosen to publish it in my column this week because this message is so important. We cannot allow GOD to be taken out of everything. Just look what it has already cost us!!!!!!  
It's these kinds of action that as Christians we must address before it is too late! Please read the following story and contact your representative or congressmen if you feel that something needs to change.  
**Vanda Anderson**

"Gone Too Far?????"

By Bob Pipes

Have you seen the new "gold" dollar coin? This first of a series bearing the image of some past U.S. Presidents was issued just last week. The report that I first received was that the coin **did not** have "In God We Trust" inscribed on it—then I received a correction that it was on it, but only on the outer edge.  
Well I obtained one last Friday—and sure enough, you can read on the outer surface, along with "EPLURIBUS UNUM" and "2007 D", IN GOD WE TRUST." Is it just my eyes, or is it really necessary to have a magnifying glass to read it? I had to have one! And how convenient to have it on the outer edge so it will wear off real fast!

Am I enraged? You bet I am! They might as well have put "In God We Kind OF Trust." They may as well admit, "We don't really believe/trust in God but this is a step in the direction of completely eliminating it from our coins and bills—and Him—no, him—from our lives?"  
Apostle Paul, would you please come preach to America the way you did to the Athenians (Acts 17:22-32)?



**MEMBERS OF THE CHURCH BUILDING COMMITTEE MAKE IT OFFICIAL—Tommy Adams (back, from left), Dick Koenig, Arlene Stephenson, Rhonda Swift and Cecil Barton; Charles Rodenberger (front, from left), David Beard and Curtis Cooper (Chair of Building Committee).**

## Cross Plains Methodists Sign Contract for New Church

After long months of broad planning, detailed planning, budget planning, church approval and Conference approval, the First United Methodist Church is excited to announce that the actual building project for the new church is now underway. David Beard accepted the contract for the Thomas Hicks Construction Company of Abilene on Tuesday, March 19 and planned to order the steel building on Wednesday.  
The new church will rise from the exact pile of ashes left by the devastating fires December 27, 2005. The Sanctuary will again be along the south alley with the beautiful crosses on the west end being readily visible from the highway. Although the facility will look larger, the total space available to the church family for learning about, worshipping and serving God will not be that much greater. The space

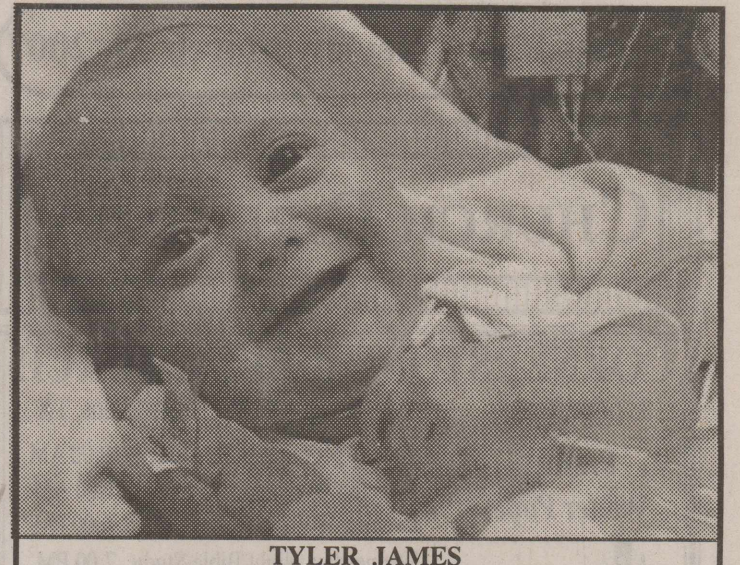
provided by the portable buildings will now be under a common roof, making it seem larger.  
If all goes as planned, members of the Church can look forward to worshipping in their own Sanctuary by Christmas.

Another exciting sign of hard work and progress for the Methodists is that the new parsonage is nearing completion. The parsonage was also destroyed in the fires. As the church had already purchased the lots just east and south of the church site, it was decided to rebuild the parsonage on our new property to the east. Even in the midst of all the destruction, God was at work — the original blueprints for the parsonage were tucked safely away in a house that did not burn. Thus, an immense amount of time was saved and our local Hutton Construction

was able to rebuild the attractive parsonage that Ministers have all loved over the past 20 years.  
God also had a plan for a temporary house of worship for us. Before the embers had quit smoldering, Bill Young contacted Rev. Jim Senkel with an invitation to use the Presbyterian Church for as long as we needed. This was a wonderful gesture that we Methodists continue to appreciate more each week.

Several other church members elected to the building committee had participated in the long planning process, but were not present for the official signing. Those members were Bryan, Carol and Wallace Bennett, Dick Thrasher, Melody McWilliams, Vicki Dillard, Wes Castleman and Ron Conway. Pastor Jim Senkel was out of town and unavailable for the signing and picture.

## Reminder of Benefit Dinners for Tyler James



TYLER JAMES

The Benefit Dinners planned for Tyler James, 9 month old son of Sterling and Natasha (Webb) James, will be held this Friday and Saturday at 6:00 p.m. at the home of Cliff and Connie Kirkham.

Dining in style will be provided with both inside and outdoor tables, including a delicious menu. Live musical entertainment will highlight the evening.  
Connie reported that kitchen helpers and waitresses have already volunteered. Community response through reserva-

tions has been great with 44 individuals to be served.

Cash donations are encouraged for this young family, as medical expenses from Tyler's lengthy stay in ICU, various operations, etc. that resulted from twin-twin transfusion are mounting up.

All proceeds from the event will benefit Tyler, who has recently been able to go home for the first time since birth. Please continue to pray for the complete recovery of this child and for strength for his family.

## American Legion Post 423 to hold a Meeting

Cross Plains American Legion Post 423 will hold a meeting Thursday, March 29th at 6:30 p.m. at the American Legion Building.

A meal will be provided. Members and their wives are encouraged to attend, while anyone else who would like to join the post.

## Sorority Announces Tour of New Homes Set for May 12th

Beta Sigma Phi is sponsoring a "Come Back" Tour of re-built and new homes of those who lost their homes in the wildfires of December 27, 2005. Seven homeowners have committed to participate so far, and four are tentative at this point. If you lost your home to the fires and would like to be a part of this event, please call Gail Ransdell at 254-725-4440.

BSP has traditionally sponsored Tour of Homes in December, showing off local area homes decorated for Christmas. This year, the women's group wants to celebrate with our town the re-birth and coming back of residents' normal lives following the devastation and destruction of that day.

Please mark your calendars to support this project and watch the *Cross Plains Review* and the *Abilene Reporter-News* in April and May for feature information on all the homes.

Submitted by  
Carol Bennett

## Playday to be held April 7th

There will be a Playday on April 7th at the Roping Arena on Highway 36. There will be 5 Events (including non-rider events too).

All ages, from leadline up to adult are invited to participate. There will be daily and year-end Awards given.

For more information, call Jamie Wootton at 325-201-1140.

## Project Pride Meeting Tuesday

Project Pride will meet on Tuesday, April 3, at 6:00 p.m. at the Cross Plains Public Library for their regular monthly business meeting.

The public is welcome.

## CALLLED Community Wide Cemetery Meeting

The Pioneer Cemetery will have a community wide board meeting Monday, April 2 at 6:30 p.m. at the Pioneer Quilting Club House.

Several items are needing attention. Memorial Day is upcoming and we should keep in mind the way this service has grown. This, in the past, has been mostly accomplished financially by Jim and Charlene Fleming. We need to all get behind this effort financially and any other way that we can help.

Also, the community should seriously think about new people for the cemetery board. Please come to this meeting and make your feelings known.

Submitted by  
Jo Veda Watson

## School Board Procedures and Ethics Clarified by Childress

By Deborah Lowitzer  
Special Writer

**Childress Answers Critics, McCutchen Inspires Crowd, Tension Submits Goals and the "Teacher of the Year" is announced at the March 19th School Board Meeting.**

\*Fifty-plus people crowded into the High School Library for the recent School Board Meeting. Even with extra chairs brought in, people stood packed, shoulder to shoulder to hear Board President Scott Childress' response to the accusations hurled by Mr. Monty Richards at the last meeting and subsequent "Letter To The Editor" that appeared in the March 1st issue of the *Cross Plains Review*.

But in Open Forum, before Childress could answer, Mr. Richards once again demanded to know why and where taxpayer money was spent, and questioned specifically about attorney's fees. Mr. Childress answered that he indeed had a written statement, and if Richards would just be patient, he would get to it.

\*Mrs. Susan Holland asked if she might have the floor. She began, "There are ex-School Board members questioning as to how taxpayers money is spent." Then she addressed Mr. Richards, "That's funny. It's different when you're on this side of the

fence... I can recall when I asked the same question Mr. Richards, when you were on the Board." She continued, "Mr. Richards informed me there was no reason to put dollar amounts in the minutes. No reason for taxpayers to be informed on how funds were spent or received."

She then stated candidly, "My question is, when did policy change? I've sat in many meetings where dollar amounts were discussed, but never put in the minutes. Mr. Richards, I'm sure you can recall that very day (when she asked him how money was spent). You shot me down with much anger."

Holland continued, addressing the Board, "Mr. Richards wants all of you to do for him what he would not do for me and my fellow taxpayers. Wow. What's wrong with this picture? I say, continue tradition. Do whatever fits the person or the situation." In closing she added, "Come on Monty, jump aboard, take a back seat and enjoy the ride!"

\*President Childress then interrupted the ensuing heated dialog between Mrs. Holland and Mr. Richards and began his response. It is complete and unedited as follows:

Some serious allegations have been made against this Board. Let it be known that this Board

stands united, even with differing opinions and voting records. After a vote on any issue, that action becomes a Board decision, not a majority decision.

The Board could not respond last meeting because it was in Open Forum. The Board can only discuss what is on the agenda. So basically, if we get shot at, we need to wait for the next meeting to duck.

Response to letter to the editor, 3/1/07 in the *Cross Plains Review*:

**FIRST STATEMENT:** In open session a person has 5 minutes to address the Board with some leeway, that has been allowed in the past.

**RESPONSE:** In Board Policy, there is no mention of a time limit.  
**SECOND STATEMENT:** My first question I asked was why the attorney was called to act on the Principle's contract and the Superintendent contract that had already acted on the meeting before.

**RESPONSE:** The attorney was called to provide legal counsel, not to act, on the Principals contract. There were two scenarios of how this meeting could have played out. Let me explain: If the Superintendent would not recommend rehiring

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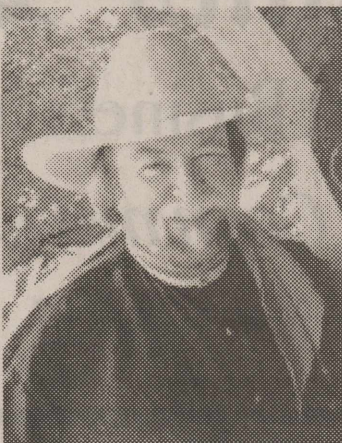
## Mamie Ruth Joy Collinworth

Mamie Ruth Joy Collinworth, 85, died Friday, March 23, 2007, at an Abilene medical center. The funeral services were held at 11 a.m. Tuesday, March 27, 2007 at Elliott-Hamil Funeral Home Chapel of Memories. The graveside service followed at 3 p.m. in Johnson Cemetery north of Moran.

Born the daughter of Una Dimmit (Eudaley) and James Corbet Joy, she was born on May 6, 1921, in Cottonwood, Texas. Mamie Ruth married Hillery Thomas "Hill" Collinworth on March 16, 1942, in Cross Plains, Texas, and moved from Winters to Abilene in 1956. Mrs. Collinworth was a homemaker

and a member of the Church of Christ.

Survivors include her husband, Hill Collinworth of Abilene; six children, Ruth Clark and husband, Allen, of Rocky, OK, Gary Collinworth of Iowa Park, Glynda Hollowell and husband, Ben, of Sweetwater, Marshall Collinworth and wife, Vanita, Sandy Hopkins and Mike Collinworth all of Abilene; 16 grandchildren; and 27 great-grandchildren. She is also survived by brothers, Merle Joy and wife, Margaret, of Hurst and Earl Joy and wife, Betty, of Amarillo; a sister, Marlene "Tommy" Fixico of Okfuskee, OK.



Doyle Kenneth Smith

Doyle Kenneth Smith went to his Heavenly Father after a brave battle with pancreatic cancer on March 22, 2007.

Services were held at 2 p.m. Monday, March 26, 2007 at the Cowboy Church of Young County in Graham, Texas with Jamey Burrus, pastor of the Cowboy Church and Larry Pratt officiating.

Ken was born to Doyle "Red" Smith and Mary Viola Gahagan-Smith on June 4, 1942 in Graham.

Ken graduated from Graham High School and attended West Texas State. He played middle linebacker in high school and college. After that he farmed peanuts in Rising Star, TX, then

bought and sold cattle, and then was in the oil business. He dropped everything to come back to Graham and take care of his mother twelve years ago until she passed away. Ken's latest adventure was running cattle and starting a dove hunting business with his wife Cheryl, which for the last seven years came to be well known as the "Five Star Dove Hunt of North Texas". He was so proud of the hunting he decided to build a lodge so his clients could stay on the property and enjoy the country side. The only complaint was that he was such a great cook that the hunters would eat too much!

He enjoyed hunting with his children and grandchildren.

He was a member of the Cowboy Church of Young County.

Ken was preceded in death by his parents and grandparents.

Survivors include his wife, Cheryl of Graham; two sons, Terrill Smith of Lima, Peru and Brandon Smith and wife Pam of Stephenville; a daughter, Devera Montfort of Dallas; a stepdaughter, Amber Chapman of Dallas; six grandchildren; and one sister, Denise Grace of Los Alamos, New Mexico.



SHILOH

## Shiloh to be in Concert at First Baptist Church Cross Plains Sunday

The Shiloh Quartet will be at First Baptist Church Cross Plains Sunday, April 1st at 6 p.m.

The Shiloh Quartet (Mark Hampton, Brian White, Stan Luce, and Lynn Dodson) came together in 1995, and has its roots in Arlington, Texas. Being a full-time ministry, their desire has been to spread the Gospel of Christ far beyond that State's borders. While they have always known that if they kept their hearts and ministry focused on Jesus Christ, God would take their ministry where it would best serve Him. They had no idea all of the avenues and opportunities that He would open up for them! God has indeed given them a ministry that is

reaching across America and even internationally. In 2000, Shiloh accepted an invitation to minister during the Summer Olympics 2000 held in Sydney, Australia, and were able share the Gospel of Jesus Christ in that country and approximate 3.5 others through television and radio broadcasts.

It is the mission of the Shiloh Quartet to promote Christianity and Jesus Christ completely. Our desire is to uplift and encourage Christians wherever we go through the singing and ministry of Southern Gospel Music.

Please come out and join in this wonderful and uplifting time of worship, **Sunday evening, April 1st at 6 p.m.**

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### CHURCH DIRECTORY

#### CORNERSTONE BIBLE CHURCH

832 Ave. E Cross Plains, TX

**Pastor:** Walter Pope  
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 Morning Worship...11:00 AM  
 Evening Worship...6:00 PM  
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 Evening Service...6:00 PM  
 Wednesday Bible Study & Prayer Time...7:00 PM

**Matt McGowen, Pastor (254) 725-4599**

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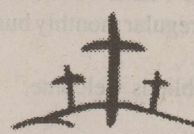
Every Sunday at 10:30 am

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**Al Taylor, Preacher**

Phone: 254-725-7522

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#### Pioneer Baptist Church

**Pastor:** Rufus Wilson  
 254-725-7574  
 Sunday School...10:00 am  
 Sunday Morning Worship...11:00 am  
 Sunday Evening Worship...6:00 p.m.  
 Wednesday Prayer Service...7:00 p.m.

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#### Rowden Baptist Church

Interim Pastor: Wayne Lenz

Bible Study...10:00 am

Sunday Morning Worship...11:00 am

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#### NEW SUNDAY MORNING CLASS AT FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

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### COURTHOUSE NEWS

#### COUNTY COURTHOUSE

Roger Corn, Presiding

#### Misdemeanor Filings

Samuel Marquez, possession of marijuana.

#### Misdemeanor Minutes

Ngwa D. Muforsi, plea of guilty to no driver's license, \$206 fine, \$159 court costs.

James Couch, motion to dismiss motion to revoke probation granted.

Charles C. Zara, motion to dismiss to furnishing alcohol to a minor granted for plea to other case.

Delbert D. Davis, motion to dismiss to assault granted, insufficient evidence.

Mark D. Rainey, motion to amend complaint granted.

#### 42nd DISTRICT COURT

John Weeks, presiding

#### Civil Filings

Michael Anthony Brennan vs. Christi K. Brennan.

#### Civil Minutes

Rickey G. Box and Cynthia

Irene Box, order granting nonsuit.

Raymond Ray Hanley, an adult, order granting name change.

Pamela Ann Rumfield and Alan Thomas Rumfield, divorce granted.

Dejah Marie Talk and Tobie Wayne Talk, divorce granted.

#### Criminal Indictments

Richard E. Drew, possession of a controlled substance.

#### Criminal Minutes

Joshua A. Womack, possession of a controlled substance, 2 year probation, \$1500 fine, \$216 court costs, \$140 restitution.

Joshua A. Womack, motion to dismiss to possession of a controlled substance granted for plea to other case, 2 counts.

Chad A. Williams, plea of guilty to theft, 10 year probation, \$500 fine, \$299 court costs.

Jacob P. Johnson, plea of guilty to burglary of a habitation, 7 year probation, \$1500 fine, \$295 court costs, \$9062 restitution.

#### PUBLISHER'S NOTE:

With the advent of E-mail, it has become necessary to state a new policy of *The Clyde Journal, Cross Plains Review & Baird Banner*.

E-mailed letters to the editor will not be accepted for publication.

Also, due to some name-falsification issues we have encountered, we can no longer accept mailed letters to the editor. To be accepted, a letter must be brought into the Newspaper Office by the person writing it. It must be signed, dated and include the author's address and phone number (address and phone number will not be printed).

Also, no letters to the editor endorsing political candidates or positions will be accepted, as has been our policy for 31 years.

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Ken Craig

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## First Baptist Church

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9:45 am Bible Study  
 11 am & 6 pm Worship

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## COTTONWOOD NEWS

By WALLACE BENNETT

### Cottonwood Volunteer Fire Fighters To Launch Out In New Directions

Looking for a new viability and support of every citizen of the Cottonwood Valley, The Cottonwood Volunteer Fire Control Unit, will be exploring the possibility of publishing a Newsletter of information about its activities and will be looking for new sources of funds and a program to update its equipment. According to Roger Hinkle and Arnie Smith the present fire trucks and equipment will cost too much to repair. The unit needs larger tankers.

The Board of Directors will look for new support and funds for new fire equipment.

The Board of Directors consists of Syd Pague, President; Diane Smith, Secretary/Treasurer; Tom Hoag; Tom Bennett; Roger Hinkle; Bob Childress; Arnie Smith; Gorman Parrish; and dispatchers, Beverly Brown and Dena Terstegge.

### Cookbooks To Arrive In April

The long awaited Cottonwood Cookbooks are expected to arrive in the hands of the

Cookbook Committee on April 11, 2007. The Committee will then begin assembly of the books, such as, inserting specially printed pages to the three-ring binders of the books. Divider pages and other pages have been printed separately and will be added on April 13, 2007. If you would like to help, call Beverly Brown.

A pre-sale date will be held at a Coffee at the Cottonwood Community Center on April 14, 2007 at 10:00 a.m. for local people who do not require the books to be mailed to them at additional price.

The regular sale date will be May 5, 2007 after lunch at the Annual Membership Meeting of the Historical Association. The price of the books will be \$20.00, plus postage, if shipped.

You can find out all about the recipe book of Cottonwood by going on-line and clicking on the Cottonwood website at [www.cottonwoodtexas.com](http://www.cottonwoodtexas.com).

For information about this or to report any news or Cottonwood Connections, please call Wallace Bennett at 254-725-7474 or email [csb5@airmail.net](mailto:csb5@airmail.net).

## RISING STAR NURSING NEWS

The nursing center will be having an Easter Egg Hunt, April 6th at 2:00 p.m. All children ages 10 and younger are welcome to take part. Refreshments and prizes will be given to 1st - 3rd places for both age groups.

Nikki Perez has been working with the residents on their bird houses, which are looking very cute.

Jacque Childress and ladies will be here Thursday at 2:00 p.m. to sing for us. We always enjoy them coming.

We are proud of and express our congratulations to the newly elected President of the Chamber of Commerce, our administrator, Johnnie Elliott. Not

only does she see that our Center is run smoothly, by her concern, caring, and commitment, she also will be coordinating community events that will help strengthen commerce in Rising Star.

Thoughts and prayers for Betty Baxter and James Strahan who are in the hospital.

Appreciation to Sharla Stone, daughter of Hadden Payne, for the delicious cookies. To our special friend for the beautiful spring flower pots from Tim's Floral. God Bless you.

**Kind Words Can Be Short And Easy To Speak, But Their Echoes Are Truly Endless.**

## Cross Plains Cemetery Association Board of Directors Meeting Monday, April 2 5:30 p.m. at City Hall

## Barb's Cues

By Barbara Holmes Worcester

### Are You A Label Reader?

After our recent peanut butter scare I came across an article about toxic pancake mix. Have our grocery stores become a danger zone? I buy a mix, prepare it and eat, with good faith that my family and I are safe. Should that change? I hope not, but perhaps I will be more careful.

There are some precautions that we can take to make our shopping safer. One is to read labels. These tell us the date by which the item should be sold. The "sell by" date is sometimes hard to find. It may say "sell by.... date" or it may be just a series of numbers ending in a future year like 08. While you are looking for the "sell by" date, pay attention to the condition of the package. If it is bent or torn, get another one. Bent cans are usually on sale but I had rather not trust them.

It's good to get into a habit of label reading. If you have a family member with special dietary needs, reading labels can give you a lot of information. Big companies sometime list things helpful for diabetics and cholesterol watchers.

An interesting thing about using out of date pancake mix came over the Internet recently. I will include it to make a point of how careful we need to be.

BHW

### Subject: Pancake Mix

I recently made a batch of pancakes for my healthy 14-year-old son, using a mix that

was in our pantry. He said that they tasted "funny," but ate them anyway. About 10 minutes later, he began having difficulty breathing and his lips began turning purple. I gave him his allergy pill, had him sit on the sofa and told him to relax. He was wheezing while inhaling and exhaling.

My husband, a volunteer Firefighter and EMT, heated up some water, and we had my son lean over the water so the steam could clear his chest and sinuses. Soon, his breathing became more regular and his lips returned to a more normal color.

We checked the date on the box of pancake mix and, to my dismay, found it was very out-dated. As a reference librarian at an academic institution, I have the ability to search through many research databases. I did just that, and found an article the next day that mentioned a 19-year-old male DYING; after eating pancakes made with out-dated mix. Apparently, the mold that forms in old pancake mix can be toxic!

When we told our friends about my son's close call, we were surprised at the number of people who mentioned that they should check their own pancake mix since they don't use it often, or they had purchased it some time ago.

With so many people shopping at warehouse-type stores and buying large sizes of pancake mix, I hope your readers will take the time to check the expiration date on their boxes. Also, beware of outdated cake, brownie and cookie mix.

From the Internet

## Tarleton State University Fall 2006 Graduates Told

Tarleton State University, a member of The Texas A&M University System since 1917, held their Fall Commencement December 15-16, 2006.

Two undergraduates from Cross Plains satisfactorily met the University's requirements for

their individual programs and have received their diplomas. Joshua Hopkins (AGSD major), son of Hoppy and Tricia Hopkins, and Elizabeth Meiron (Art major), daughter of Sandra Moore and Eddie McCarty, were among the elite.

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## Would You Like to be a Sponsor of the 2007 Barbarian Festival?

The 9th Annual Barbarian Festival is Saturday, June 9, 2007. Sponsorship money goes towards the purchase of awards for Tractor Show, Car Show and Parade, Advertising, T-shirts, etc. Partial proceeds of the festival sponsor the Terry Jane Wyatt Memorial Scholarship.

The Barbarian sponsor, donation of \$100 or more, includes your name on the back of the T-shirt, name on all advertising and a free T-shirt. T-shirts are given to all car show entries and are sold at the festival.

The Warrior Sponsor, any donation less than \$100, includes your name on all advertising.

The deadline to become a sponsor is May 20th.

2007 Sponsors to date are: **Barbarian:** Reed Construction/Box R, City of Cross Plains,

Taste of Texas, Callahan Furniture, Cross Plains EDC, Texas Heritage Insurance, Higginbotham Bros., J & L Sales, Jones Real Estate, *Cross Plains Review*, Bless'd Automotive, Cross Plains Recycling, Cross Plains Frozen Food and Higginbotham Funeral Home.

**Warrior:** Ray's Barber Shop, Tim's Floral and Johnson's Dry Goods.

If you would like to become a sponsor please contact Kandy Jones 254-725-4458, Susan McNeel 254-725-6498, or Cindy Payne 254-725-6692 or mail to P.O. Box 741, Cross Plains, Texas 76443.

The Festival Committee would like to thank the sponsors for their continued support.

Submitted by Susan McNeel

## Reserved Cross Plains Cemetery Plots Needs to be Paid for Soon!!!

The Cross Plains Cemetery Association is urging those who have reserved plots in the old and new cemetery to pay as soon as possible.

This will eliminate confusion at a later time and will help continue the upkeep on cemetery. Again we urge you to pay for the plots you have reserved soon.

Please contact Bob Harrell at 254-725-6153 for any questions.



Thank You God For The Healing Rain

## LIBRARY NOTES

Library Stats March 19 - 23, 2007

Patrons	80
Programs	28
LAP	6
Lapsit	5
Books Checked Out	119
LAP	20
Lapsit	18
Copies	77
Reference	1
Internet Users	20

Books Donated: Ann Beeler and Faye Nordyke Kennedy

Donations: Bob and LaVonne Childress; Curt and Ginny Hoskins

## SENIOR CITIZENS MENU

APRIL 2 - 6

MONDAY - Steak Fingers w/ Gravy, Whipped Potatoes, Steamed Carrots, Banana

Pudding, Bread  
TUESDAY - Hearty Chicken Soup, Tossed Salad, Apricots, Spice Cake, Crackers

WEDNESDAY - Pepper Steak w/Gravy, Buttered Rice, Green Beans, Corn Salad, Sherbet Cup, Roll

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By Bob Pipes  
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Isn't it interesting how the percentage for "chance of rain" went up from 20% to 30% to 50% to 80% — actually, to 100% reality?! I said just last week that I wished that God would bring a rain cloud out of nowhere and show the weather forecasters who's really still in charge! I was thinking of the Old Testament happening, I Kings 17-18. There had been a 3-year drought, proclaimed by God's prophet (prophet, I say, not "predictor" or "forecaster"), Elijah (17:1), mainly to show sinful King Ahab "a thing or two"! Then came the time that Elijah told Ahab, "Go up, eat and drink; for there is the sound of abundance of rain" (18:41). Elijah told his servant "go, look and see" — and there was nothing — seven times! Then, "There is a cloud, as small as a man's hand, rising out of the sea!" So Elijah told the servant, "Go tell Ahab to come down from Mount Carmel before the rain stops you." And "the sky became black with clouds and wind, and there was heavy rain."

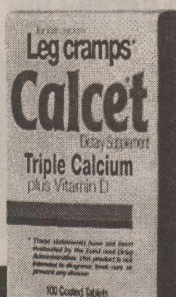
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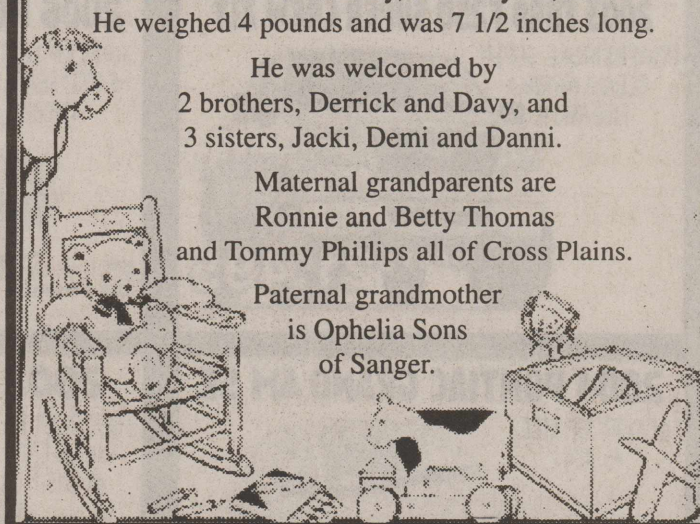
David and Dana (Phillips) Sons of Sanger, Texas are proud to announce the arrival of their son,  
**Jacob Conner Sons.**

Jacob was born Tuesday, February 20, 2007. He weighed 4 pounds and was 7 1/2 inches long.

He was welcomed by 2 brothers, Derrick and Davy, and 3 sisters, Jacki, Demi and Danni.

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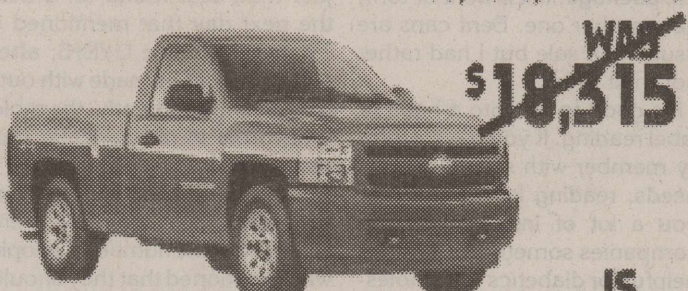


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# School Board

the Principal, we do not need legal counsel or the meeting. But, if the Superintendent recommended the Principal be rehired, and the Board voted against the Superintendent's recommendation, the Board would be in trouble. Meaning the Board would have to show it had sufficient proof not to approve the Superintendent's recommendation. The Board would then need to seek legal counsel to defend itself. Seeking counsel early is simply a preventive means to discuss or resolve a difficult situation.

In regard to the Superintendent's contract: Mr. Tennison has been signing a Certified School Administrator Contract, not a Superintendent contract. TASB has designed a new Superintendent contract. It was on the agenda to discuss and if any point is not on the agenda, we could not discuss it. We did not discuss the new Contract during that meeting.

It has been rumored that the attorney made an offer to buyout the Superintendent's contract. In the words of our attorney in a letter to the Board, he says, "I never suggested that he resign, never offered him a buyout, nor did I even initiate such a discussion of paying off his contract."

This shows that a lot of talk and time has been used to take action about falsified information rather than on the truth. If only the truth were spoken, think how our time could be better spent on children's education.

**THIRD STATEMENT:** Then I stated in my opinion, that the Board should have been capable of handling this without legal advice.

**RESPONSE:** My experience, education, twenty-five plus years dealing with school law issues, and my commitment to this District tells me that this Board must have the complete truth, correct and factual information when making a decision.

**FOURTH STATEMENT:** That's when I asked who called the attorney and the School Board President replied, he did. I had been on the Board long enough to know that if you're spending taxpayers money it better be with a motion, a second, and a vote, and I confirmed this with T.E.A.

**RESPONSE:** A contract dated 12/14/2006 with the law firm Schwartz and Eichelbaum was approved by the Board of Education. There was a motion, a second and a vote. The goal of the contract is to provide preventative law services for this school district.

**FIFTH STATEMENT:** Our policy reads: In accordance with the written contract individual Trustees shall channel legal inquiries through the Superintendent or Board Designee as appropriate, when advice or information from the District's Legal Counsel is sought.

**RESPONSE:** The written contract is between the Board and the law firm signed by the Board President. The President of the Board is the Board's designee through election of officers. Channeling of inquiries through the Superintendent or Board Designee, as appropriate, means exactly as it states. If the Board has a question about the Superintendent's actions or recommendations, his evaluation or his contract, then it is appropriate for the Board President to initiate an inquiry and arrange necessary meetings.

Another policy states "except for appropriate duties and function of the Board President", an individual member may act on behalf of the Board only with the express authorization of the Board. Therefore, contacting the attorney by the Board President is appropriate.

"Appropriateness" has also been established through the past practice. There has never been an objection to calling or having a meeting with the attorney or in reviewing the attorney billings. The legal term for this is silence means approval.

Also, the Board Policy, the Board has final authority to

determine and interpret policies that govern the schools.

**SIXTH STATEMENT:** He writes that there was never a designee appointed by motion, second, and a vote. If it were, it would have been in the minutes.

**RESPONSE:** I am the Board President and it is in the minutes.

**SEVENTH STATEMENT:** My other concern is; that's what we pay the superintendent for, to run the Districts business. Not an elected Board Member trying to do the Superintendent's job.

**RESPONSE:** As states above, the Board is not doing the Superintendent's job. It is trying to legally protect the interests of the School District by seeking wise counsel.

**EIGHTH STATEMENT:** I stated that half of the people here, wouldn't even be here tonight if it wasn't because of the unethical, unprofessional, and criminal behavior of a Board Member, or Board Members for running their mouths about things discussed in closed session.

**RESPONSE:** The only thing unethical, unprofessional or criminal is for a Board member to knowingly make public the certified agenda or a tape recording of a meeting. See Attorney General Opinion No. JM-1071, 1989. Board members can talk about anything that occurred in the meeting. Of course leaking information is highly discouraged as open frank discussions must occur for the Board to seek truth upon which to base our vote.

The only thing unethical, unprofessional and criminal are the recent false verbal and written charges toward me and this Board which could be legally interpreted as libel, slander as defamation of character.

As for the people in the audience, most were either regular attendees or to see action on the Athletic Director's contract.

**NINTH STATEMENT;** The last thing is, I don't care who sits on the Board as long as they care about helping CPISD be the best District it can be...

**RESPONSE:** All of us who sit on this Board are doing what we can to bring to this District its deserved status as an excellent academic institution having excellent extra- and co-curricular activities. The Board is acutely aware that the future of the Cross Plains Community rests in the hands of its schools.

**TENTH STATEMENT:** And will allow the administration to do their jobs without micromanaging the District...

**RESPONSE:** This Board channels everything through the Superintendent. If there is a problem, the Board has been trained not to try to solve it, but rely on its administration. If the administration fails to act, then it fails to act, and we take note.

**ELEVENTH STATEMENT:** And not have a personal vendetta against people.

**RESPONSE:** The only differences Jackie Tennison and I have are strictly professional in nature, not personal. We have discussed this and we both believe that this is our major difference. I believe the only vendetta is the one Mr. Richards hold against me. I pray that his heart softens and he makes an effort to personally know me.

Parents will understand this. I do not have any children in school, so my children can't be hurt, I do not have a family member employed so their job is not in jeopardy. My business does not rely on how I vote, so I am safe there. But the hate spewed at the last meeting has far reaching and damaging effect on the education of the community's children.

**TWELFTH STATEMENT:** Your actions speak so loud I can't hear a word your saying.

**RESPONSE:** The actions of this Board are a response to the community who elected us. We did not gain election to be popular but to influence much improved educational opportunities for young people so they can have a better hope for productive future. Most in the community know that excellent educational services are not being provided for all young

people and they are sickened by it. This Board strongly believes the community should have ownership in its schools. This is a serious responsibility that must be shared by all, rather than a select few.

The majority in the community also wants to permanently eliminate favoritism, cronyism and nepotism. They want their schools run ethically, legally and in the best interest of all students.

This Board has intentionally been maligned, lied about, rumored about and falsely accused. We know it is politics, but politics are disrupting the business of educating our young people. If education were a priority we would not be engaged in this conversation now.

The community wants the rumors to stop coming out of the school and for the district to start performing as a professional workplace. We know our Superintendent will lead the District to dispel rumors and false accusations.

I respectfully submit this statement for the record.

The last two School Board change is occurring. This next election will also be a reflection of the will of the people. The people speak and this Board will listen and act.

There was a spontaneous round of applause after Mr. Childress finished.

\***Superintendent Tennison** and Board Member Vicki Dillard still had questions concerning calling the School Attorney and what was said. Childress answered that he didn't know all of the details and would be in contact with the lawyer and get back with them.

Mrs. Dillard responded that she never was informed of the Board proposing to contact the attorney. Childress responded that he did inform her by email and also left her a message on her phone. Dillard acknowledged that message, but argued that she did not have enough time to respond.

\***Mr. Ken McCutchen**, father of an athlete, anthropologist and relatively new resident to Cross Plains spoke at length concerning the integrity of the Athletic Program and much more. A very well-versed and powerful speaker, McCutchen captured the attention of everyone in the room. He said that he was there to support the good of the community as he saw it.

He said he came from a small town, liked living in a small town, but there were some trade-offs. He stated that conflict in itself inevitable, but it is how we respond to it that matters. He explained, there are 3 ways to deal with conflict"

1. Take all power and say, "You will do it my way!"

2. Give all power, give up and get out.

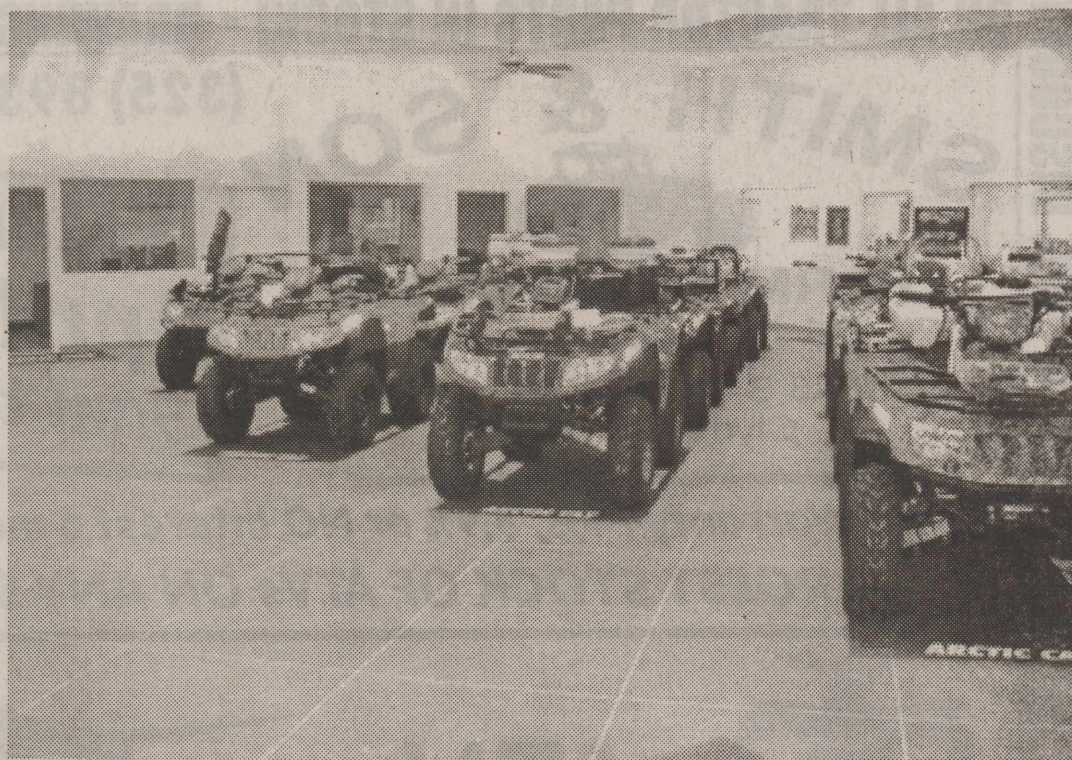
3. Strive to find ways to compromise for the common good through strategy and reason.

He went on to say that the reason 'Sport' was very important was because it has the potential to teach cooperation and competition. "It is absolutely necessary to respect teammates and opponents. Having an opponent makes me do my best and challenges me. Being part of a team causes me to give up self-interest and cooperate for the common good. **I know I count because I am part of a team, and I can be counted on as part of a team.**"

He said that it really bothered him when he saw kids quitting and laying down this year. He emphasized that, "You never lose until you quit." He added that perhaps that mental state where you say, "That's it" and quit, is in the community as well.

McCutchen said he believes that all of this can be turned around. He said he wanted to see Athletics integrated with Academics. He added that coaches need to know what they are being evaluated on and there should be some kind of reward for the effort they're putting in.

"We really do need to begin to say what we expect. What do we at Cross Plains value and want to



**A FULL SHOWROOM**—Smith & Son Farm Equipment, located at 1635 South Access Road in Clyde, has one of the largest inventory of all-terrain-vehicles between Dallas and El Paso.

The company currently has an inventory of 45 units on its 16,500 square foot showroom. The company is holding its annual Spring Open House Saturday, April 7th from 9:00 a.m.

until 5:00 p.m. Special offers will be made during the open house and two drawings are slated for an electric sprayer and Texas Bragg tilt bed trailer during the event.

## Smith & Son Farm Equipment Open House is April 7th

Smith & Son Farm Equipment in Clyde will hold its Spring Open House on Saturday, April 7th from 9:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m.

The open house was previously reported for March 31st, however Curtis Smith, owner of Smith & Son Farm Equipment, said the open house is now planned for Saturday, April 7th. Smith & Son Farm Equipment is located at 1635 South Access Road and I-20 in Clyde.

A number of events are scheduled throughout the day-long open house including a KBCY Live Remote from Smith & Son Farm Equipment. Refreshments will be served all day long.

Customers will be able to receive a 10 percent discount on all tractor parts in stock during the event. Also, a 10 percent discount will be offered on all ATV accessories and parts in stock. Smith & Son will also offer a 10 percent discount on all new 3-point equipment.

Two drawings are scheduled for the event. The first drawing will take place at 2:00 p.m. for a 15 gallon electric sprayer valued at \$188. The second drawing will take place at 4:00 p.m. for a 5x10 Texas Bragg tilt bed trailer valued at \$885.

Smith said the company will also have some special financing and other manufacturers offers during their open house.

He said Arctic Cat is offering several rebates up to \$700 on certain models of all-terrain-vehicles. Smith said there is no interest on all Arctic Cat ATV's for the first six months, along with no down payments and no payments for the first six months.

The business owner said Arctic Cat also offers three-year warranties on all its ATV's. Smith said most ATV manufacturers only offer six-month warranties.

Smith said all Kioti and Century tractors come with four year warranties. "I don't know of any other (tractor manufacturers) with better warranties," Smith said.

All Kioti tractors come with zero percent interest for 36 months. Smith said interest rates on Kioti tractors up to 72 month are just 4.99%. Tractor sizes range from 20 horse power to 65 HP. Tractor parts for all makes are available at the Clyde store.

Century tractors also offer zero percent interest for 36 months.

The company also stocks Zetor tractors, which come with a three year warranty and special financing, Smith said.

Smith & Son Farm Equipment is celebrating its fourth year at the I-20 location in Clyde. Smith & Son Farm Equipment was located on State Highway 36 twenty-seven years before locating to their brand new 16,500

square foot showroom on Interstate 20 in Clyde in January 2003.

Smith said they've been increasing their inventory of tractors, ATV's, trailers and parts every year since their first year in Clyde.

He said the company has one of the largest inventory of ATV's between Dallas and El Paso. He said the have 45 units on the showroom floor now. He said since moving to Clyde, the company has sold 511 ATV's. On the showroom wall next to the company offices, there is a list of all their ATV customers. He said the first six months after moving to Clyde, they sold just 10 ATV's, but now sell 100 units a year.

Curtis said the company's tractor sales are mostly in the spring and summer months and it dies down in the winter. He said most ATV's are actually sold in the spring. He said some 80 percent of ATV sales are to the farmer, while the remaining percentage sales are to the hunter or for recreational use.

Smith & Son Farm Equipment normal operating hours are 8:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday and from 9:00 a.m. until 12:00 noon on Saturday.

The company telephone number is (325) 893-4242.

*see happen? We need a program that challenges them to find the best in themselves...to learn self-respect, so they can look back and remember they were a Cross Plains Buffalo, and it meant something to them!"*

He ventured on, "We need to develop as a community, a program that is clear on what we expect. We can begin to talk and expect the best, and be clear about it. We think we're doing our kids a favor by letting them just get by, but we're not. We need to teach them how the world really works. We need to get out of the mental grind, not harping on winning, but about the will to win, expecting it!"

McCutchen ended with, I am here to serve in anyway I can."

\*After a brief discussion, it was decided that an informal committee of any interested parties be formed. A sign up sheet was passed around and filled up quickly with approximately 20 names of those willing to be part of this timely endeavor. This will be put on the next Board agenda.

\*It was announced that 3-6th grade teacher, **Kathy Purvis** got the first ever, 'Teacher of the Year' Award for her outstanding enthusiasm, hard work and passion for the education and welfare of Cross Plains students.

\*Mr. Tennison said that he has met twice with the **Site Base Committee**, and so far they have two projects they are wanting to see work start on. The first priority is the **resurfacing of the track**. The second is **new flooring** in all of the schools; hallways and classrooms before the start of school next year.

Tennison asked that the Board approve the go-ahead to get bids on these projects started. Kim Crockett added that she walks the

track everyday and it's pretty rough. Frankie Hyles added that if it's not resurfaced soon, it'll be down to bare asphalt and much harder and expensive to repair. The last time the track was worked on was about 12 years ago.

These projects are by no means the extent of the total improvement plan, but just the start of the recommendations. The other projects, such as the Band Hall and the old gym dressing rooms will have to be put to a **bond issue** at a later date.

\***Joe Holland** passed out the Activities and Duties of the FFA, and stated that CPISD had a wonderful **Ag Department**. He stated that each year 11 leadership Teams are trained, involving 35-40 students. These teams participate on the District Level and usually qualify to advance to the Area Level, with 1-2 teams going on to State. Holland added that 3-4 students apply for the Lone Star Degree each year. This is the highest degree awarded by the State of Texas. Cross Plains has had 1287 Lone Star Degrees since 1978.

\*Holland asked that **Contract Stipends** be put on the next agenda for the Board to look at. He passed out the names of those he was recommending and the amount to consider awarding them. This will be placed as an action item on the next agenda.

**Superintendent Goals**

1. Expand technology-assisted programs for students needing remedial instruction.
2. Continue to hire qualified teachers who exhibit and demand high expectations.
3. Improve TAKS scores across the system in grades 3-11.
4. Improve attendance in all grades.
5. Have a shared vision to

involve parents and community in the total education and overall development of each child.

6. Implement a highly competitive curriculum based on the needs of all students.

7. Expand the curriculum to include more dual credit classes and AP classes.

8. Continue to improve existing facilities and the possibility of adding new facilities.

9. Expand testing programs for non-TAKS grades including 2nd grade.

\*The Board approved a motion for **Project Pride** to use a school bus as well as the school's facilities for their events during 'Howard Days'.

\*The 'Board's Role in Improving Student Achievement' Workshop will be held on **June 25th**, just after the School Board Election.

Guests attending were: Natoschia Tennison, Tina Wyatt, Monty Richards, Brandon McDowell, Micah McDowell, Brenda Switzer, David Switzer, Susan Holland, Joe Holland, Ricky Thomas, Arlene Stephenson, Era Lee Hanke, Mike Rogers, Ronnie White, Scott Byrd, Keeka Byrd, James Ames, Rhonda Hinten, Trey Wyatt, Candice Wyatt, Amber Thomas, Lee Thomas, Shauna Guerrero, David Estes, Helen Parson, Judy Luter, Annette Nickerson, Tonja Walker, Nora Odom, Jennifer Wootton, Jacque Childress, Jeannie Foller, Reggie Pillans, Thomas Ames, Ken McCutchen, Shawn Bullock, Amber Kleiber, Deanna Golsen, Mineva McCutchen, Donnie Dillard, Jr., Tricia Hopkins, Elvan Goode, Tony Wyatt and Matt Sowell.



**2006-07  
DISTRICT 10-A, DIV. I  
ALL DISTRICT  
BASKETBALL TEAM**

**SECOND TEAM**  
Emily Harris, Soph.

**Immunization  
Clinics Announced  
in Callahan County**

The Texas Department of State Health Services will have Immunization Clinics in Callahan County as follows:

**Monday, April 9th**  
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400 West 7th  
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Cross Plains Housing  
Authority  
233 North Main  
2 - 4 p.m.

**Wednesday, April 11th**  
Clyde First Baptist Church  
216 Austin  
10 a.m. - 12 noon  
and  
1:30 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Please bring your child's immunization records.  
For more information call 325-754-4945.

**SCHOOL  
LUNCH  
MENU**

**APRIL 2 - 6  
BREAKFAST**

**MONDAY** - Breakfast Burrito, Assorted Juice  
**TUESDAY** - Pancakes, Sausage, Assorted Juice  
**WEDNESDAY** - Sausage-N-Blanket, Assorted Juice  
**THURSDAY** - Cereal, Toast, Assorted Juice  
**FRIDAY - HOLIDAY - GOOD FRIDAY**

**LUNCH**

**MONDAY**- Pizza, Salad, Corn, Rosy-Applesauce  
**TUESDAY** - Salisbury Steak w/ Brown Gravy, Peas & Carrots, Mashed Potatoes, Rolls, Peaches  
**WEDNESDAY**-Fiesta Salad (Chili Beans, Corn Chips, Cheese), Salad, Rice, Pineapples  
**THURSDAY**-Lasagna or Corn Dog, Broccoli, Bread Stick, Fresh Fruit  
**FRIDAY-HOLIDAY - GOOD FRIDAY**

**FFA Judging Team and Individual Results Told**

The Cross Plains FFA CDE (Judging) teams participated in four contests last week. All of the FFA members did a great job and represented Cross Plains well, in both their skills and their attitude.

The first contest of the year was held here at Cross Plains and hosted by our local chapter. The Cross Plains Invitational consisted of a Dairy Products and Poultry contest. We had 15 Poultry teams, and 16 Dairy Products teams participate.

Next, we traveled to Tarleton State University, to the Annual TSU Invitational in Stephenville on Thursday. The teams that participated in the TSU contest were: Poultry, Dairy Products, Livestock, Dairy Cattle, and Horse.

On Friday, we traveled to Weatherford, for the Annual Weatherford College CDE's. At Weatherford the Dairy Products, Poultry, and Livestock teams participated.

We finished the week on Saturday by participating in the Snyder Invitational contest. The Poultry, Dairy Products, Dairy Cattle and two members of the Livestock team participated in the Snyder contest.

Each of the contests gives awards for top teams and for the top scoring individuals, with the exception of TSU, who figures team placings, but only awards the top 20 individuals. The team and individual awards the the Cross Plains FFA members



**TARLETON STATE INVITATIONAL—Emma Bennett (left) and Thomas Estes (right) placed individually.**

received at these contest are listed as follows:

**Cross Plains Invitational Dairy Products:** 1st Place Team and 6th Place Team #2  
**Individual:** 1st Place-Mandy Rose; 2nd Place-Tiffany Holland; 3rd Place-Zach Snell; 4th Place-Emma Bennett.  
**Poultry:** 2nd Place Team and 8th Place Team #2  
**Individual:** 1st Place-Thomas Estes; 7th Place-Dalton Carpenter; 10th Place-Jake Estes.  
**Tarleton State Invitational Dairy Products:** 12th Place Team (104 Teams)  
**Individual:** 19th Place-Emma Bennett (372 Individuals)  
**Poultry:** 7th Place Team (115 Teams)  
**Individual:** 3rd Place-Thomas

Estes (416 Individuals).  
**Weatherford College Invitational Dairy Products:** 7th Place Team  
**Individual:** 8th Place-Tiffany Holland  
**Poultry:** 1st Place Team  
**Individual:** 3rd Place-Thomas Estes; 9th Place-Dalton Carpenter.  
**Snyder Invitational Dairy Products:** 2nd Place Team  
**Individual:** 4th Place-Tiffany Holland; 12th Place-Zach Snell  
**Poultry:** 1st Place Team  
**Individual:** 2nd Place-Thomas Estes; 5th Place-Dalton Carpenter; 13th Place-Jake Estes  
**Dairy Cattle:** 7th Place Team.

**CPHS Thespians to Host  
Dessert Theatre March 31**

The drama department of Cross Plains High School will present their One Act Play for 2007, *Flowers for Algernon*, on Saturday evening, March 31. The entertaining evening will begin with dessert and punch at 6:00 p.m., followed by the play at 6:45 p.m. A variety of delicious desserts will be available. The cost for dessert and the show is \$4.00. If you prefer to see the show only, the cost is \$2.00.

*Flowers for Algernon* is a story about a man, Charlie Gordon, and his desire to become intelligent and understand the

beauty of the world he lives in. The play explores Charlie's fears, naivety, triumphs, and heartaches. The play is based on the award-winning novel by Daniel Keyes. Please come and enjoy yummy desserts and a heartwarming night of entertainment. You will not be disappointed.

The OAP group has worked diligently for three months in preparation for contest. These outstanding young people should be applauded for their dedication and talents. The OAP cast this year includes: Jake Estes (all-star cast), Austin Dunaway (all-star cast), Kaelen Martinez, Cody Sliger, and Candace Rister.

Crewmembers are Starla Schaefer (all-star crew), Krista Phillips, Mandy Pose, and Ben Schaefer. Alternates are Tiffany Bell and Nathan Koettel. As directors, Matt and I consider working with this group a privilege and joy. We would like to thank the parents, school staff, and administration for their support.

Also, Matt and I want to thank our OAP kids for the lovely flowers, stuffed buffalo and balloon they so graciously gave us the day before competition. Your thoughtfulness is awesome! We love each of you.

Submitted by Rhonda Hinten

**Scholarship Honoring Terry Jane McWilliams Wyatt Available to Local Seniors**

Applications for the scholarship may be obtained from Mrs. Laci Bean, local English teacher. This award is available to a Cross Plains graduating senior/seniors and is awarded on a student scholastic achievement and potential.

The scholarship is sponsored by the Cross Plains Barbarian Festival Committee. In 2006 two \$500.00 scholarships were awarded to local seniors. Thanks to overwhelming support from the City of Cross Plains, EDC and most of all local merchants, these scholarships are made possible from festival proceeds.

Application deadline is April 15, 2007.

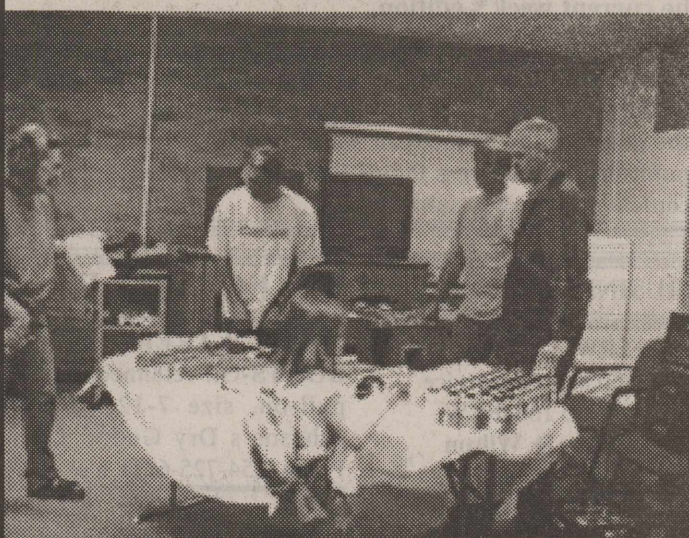
Applications will be judged by out of town professionals. Requirements below:

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- \*List of awards, honors, offices held and scholarships received.
- \*Class rank and GPA.
- \*List of community service activities, approximate hours worked and duties performed. (Example: Key Club activities, Barbarian Festival, Helping Hands, etc.)
- \*Attach 2 academic and 2 personal reference letters.

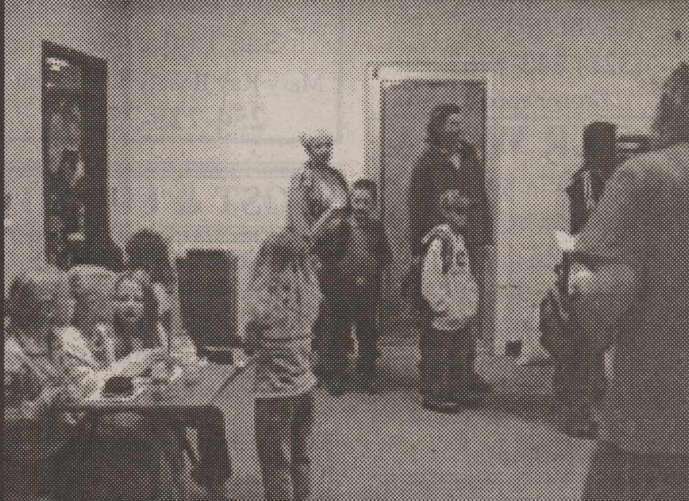
We are honored to award these scholarships each year in Memory of Terry Jane. Her love for her community and C.P.I.S.D. will always be remembered. We would like to thank her family for their support each year.

Anyone wishing to donate to the Terry Jane McWilliams Wyatt Scholarship Fund may do so at "Texas Heritage Bank P O Box 699 Cross Plains, TX 76443.

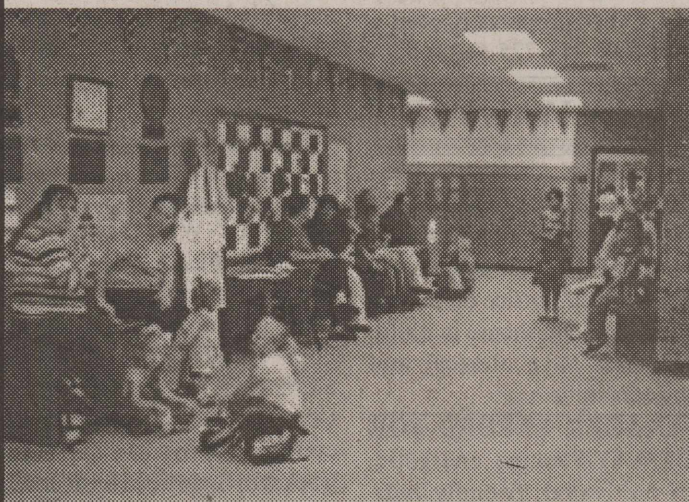
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Amber Loftin Green  
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Dianna Webb  
Becky Dillard  
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**Counselor Part-Time**  
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**Agreement Extended thru May 2007**  
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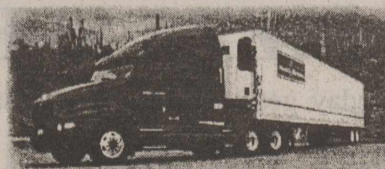
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Special thanks to Higginbotham Funeral Home and Bob Harrell. Special thanks to Bro. Ronnie White for the comforting message for the family and friends.

For the beautiful music we give thanks to Jacque Childress and Gail Ransdell. To the ladies of First Baptist Church we give thanks and appreciation for the bountiful meal they prepared for family and friends.

Joe Baucom, Michael Beard, Dickey Chambers, Wilbur Weiss, Wilbur Baucom and Scott Byrd serving as Pallbearers we give special thanks.

May God fill each of you with His Love.  
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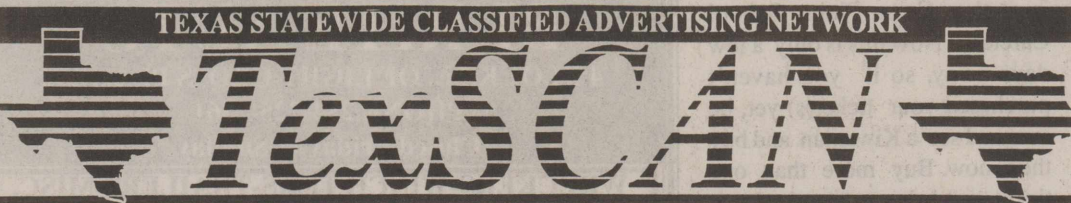
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# First United Methodist Church to offer Holy Week Services

The members of First United Methodist Church and Presbyterian Church invite you to join them for meaningful segments of worship in observance of Holy Week which begins Sunday, April 1, and concludes on Easter Sunday, April 8.

The first service will be Palm Sunday, April 1. Worship will start at 10:45 a.m., but everyone is encouraged to come early, and join us on the front lawn of the Presbyterian Church for coffee and breakfast pastries. The program will actually begin outside with the participation of the entire congregation in the Procession of Palms, joyfully waving our palm branches and singing as we enter the sanctuary together. Later, Carol Bennett and Bryan Bennett will read a beautiful, touching poem as the introduction to our regular first Sunday communion.

The Maundy Thursday service will be April 5 at 6:30 p.m. The focus of this service is on the last hours that Jesus spent with his disciples in the upper room. It will include the traditional serving of Holy Communion which, as always in our church, is open to all Christians, regardless of denomination or status of membership. It is our belief that partaking of the elements from the table of the Lord is for all who believe and are saved. To conclude the service, there will be the added touch of the stripping of the sanctuary - a simple, yet moving, symbol that Jesus is gone from our midst-delivered into the hands of evil men.

April 6, Good Friday will be a Tenebrae, or candlelight, service starting at 8:30 p.m. This Service of Shadows, as it is titled, has the potential to be an extremely moving one. It will begin in the

light but as Jesus completes each step in his journey toward the cross, it will become dimmer and dimmer until his death places us in utter darkness. We will leave in silence and sorrow.

Our Easter Sunday worship, April 8 at 10:45 a.m., will be a glorious celebration of Jesus' resurrection. The youth and children are going to present Symbols of the Resurrection as a sweet opening for our time of praise and worship. We will rejoice in the knowledge that because of his death and subsequent resurrection, we, who are born into the darkness and death of sin, can now glory in the life everlasting!

Please join us during Holy Week for our symbolic journey through Jesus' life, death, and resurrection. Sing Glory! He is Alive!

Submitted by Rhonda Swift

## PIONEER NEWS

Dick and Lou Grider had her daughter, Patty Heffley from Ft. Worth, visit on Wednesday and Thursday. It was Spring Break so Patty was tired of being a golf widow, so she came to visit. Mother and daughter had fun shopping and eating lunch.

Glenda Phillips is still going to softball games. She loves watching the girls play. Logan spent the night and day with her one day while he was out for Spring Break. Glenda said she laughed so at Logan. He loves to spell and she would call out spelling words to him. Glenda, Allen, Janice and family ate lunch at Rising Star Sunday at the benefit for little Ethan Cook. He is four years old and has had lots of problems.

There was a small crowd at quilting. Laverne is under the weather and part of our group went to Rising Star after lunch to Clayton Wilson's funeral.

Charlene had good help in her yard last week. Christy and Doug came Thursday afternoon and worked till 7 p.m. Then Jim came Friday night. After working the calves Saturday, he also worked in the yard and did a lot of fertilizing. He brought his new girlfriend and they stayed until after 4 p.m. Sunday.

The rain has been wonderful! Thank the Lord for it!



AARON STROMAN AND REBECCA BLAND

## Bland-Stroman Engagement Told

Allen and Karen Bland of Burkett are pleased to announce the engagement of their daughter, Rebecca (Becky) Jenai Bland to Aaron Linn Stroman, son of Scott and Julie Stroman of Sweetwater.

Becky is currently attending Lubbock Christian University, and is majoring in Family Studies. Aaron is currently attending Lubbock Christian University and plans to complete his major in Electrical Engineering at Texas Tech University. Their friends and family are invited to attend their wedding on May 19, 2007 at 2:00 p.m. at Austin Avenue Church of Christ in Brownwood. There will be a reception following the ceremony.

## HAPPY BIRTHDAY

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## Beef Youth Education

A new educational brochure for youth, produced by the beef checkoff, utilizes fun games and interesting tidbits to showcase the essential nutrients found in beef. Educating youth on the importance of a healthy diet and the nutritional role of beef is a high priority for state and national beef checkoff programs and a main focus for the Texas Beef Council. Included in the brochure are beef recipes that children can prepare with the help of an adult. The brochure will be provided to youth and health influencers through events and promotions around the state.

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## Kiwanis Pancake Supper to be held Thursday, April 5th

Just one week away, on Thursday night, April 5 — YES, April 5! — is one of Cross Plains' great "Social Events" of each year — the **Kiwanis Pancake Supper!** It is the night for great food and great fellowship. The "suggested donation" for so much eating and fellowship is only \$4 per person. That's all the pancakes and sausage you can eat, along with tea, coffee or water. Where can you get an eating deal like that?! A serendipity is that you can take part in helping the Kiwanians with their many programs of help during the year, too numerous to list but including, sponsoring the **Key Club of Cross Plains High School.** Key Club members will be joining the Kiwanians in serving, helping to meet your every need!

The date, again, for the Pancake Supper is Thursday night, April 5, beginning at 5 p.m., continuing until 7 p.m. The place is at the Cross Plains School Cafeteria. Now this is only a few days away, so if you haven't purchased your ticket(s) yet, be sure and see a Kiwanian and buy them now. Buy more than one ticket and bring a friend or two — maybe give one to someone whose budget is stretched too thin already. If you wait to pay at the door, you just might be talked into paying more and/or making a donation (in addition to the ticket) toward the projects that the Kiwanis Club helps toward throughout the year.

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