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Editor's Note: The following story came to me by two different sources within a week's time. It is definitely information that the public needs to be aware of but seldom receives via major media. Please read with an open heart, and remember yet another major tragedy at Virginia Tech killing 33 has already occurred. Vanda Anderson

"Message from Darrell Scott'

Darrell Scott, the father of Rachel Scott, a victim of the Columbine High School shootings in Littleton, Colorado, was invited to address the House Committee's Judiciary subcommittee. What he said to our national leaders during this special session of Congress was painfully truthful.

They were not prepared for what he was to say, nor was it received well. It needs to be heard by every parent, every teacher, every politician, every sociologist, every psychologist and courage words spoken by Darrell that we've been cleaning out and



Main Street Pool House & **Surf Shop Announces Grand Opening, Fund-raiser Dinner** set for this Saturday, July 7th

Please come join us this access the game room. Saturday, July 7, 2007 at We are so excited about all the Plains).

profit organization/youth center tax exempt organization and designed for the youth of public charity by the Internal Cross Plains and surrounding Revenue Service, therefore, communities.

opening of the dining area already by the State of Texas as a nonin operation. We will be enjoying brisket fund-raiser dinner with all the fixins' and cobbler for dessert. There is no charge for the meal it will be on a donation basis. There will also be live entertainment.

If you haven't heard about us or read about us in the paper Scott are powerful, penetrating preparing for the youth center and

7:00 p.m. for the Grand Opening endless possibilities this venture and Fund-raiser Dinner for Main holds. We hope you will join us Street Pool House & Surf Shop in creating a positive and fun (240 North Main Street, Cross place for our kids to hang out at.

Main Street Pool House & Surf The Pool House is a non- Shop is recognized as a 501 (c) 3 making any donations tax Join us in celebrating the deductible. It is also recognied profit organization. All donations will go directly and specifically toward the renovation and furnishing of the building that will be used as the game room.

Donors will recieve a receipt for tax deduction purposes.

For further information, please already, we will be raising money contact Greg or Ellen Steinle at every so-called expert! These to renovate the adjacent building the Pool House 254-725-0000 or stop by for more details!

Answer 'The Call' and Participate in the Prayer Meeting on July 7th

By Charles Payne

God has really blessed me and my wife the last few years by giving me a chance to teach and my wife a chance to sing in a couple of area Cowboy Churches.

cattle and farming business, I would like to share with you the following 10 Commandments— Cowboy Style. You will see them posted on some of the Cowboy Churches throughout the Southwest. I think if we all used these instead of the ones with all "shall nots" we could probably understand and live up to them a lot better.

> **Cowboy Style Ten** Commandments

- 1. Just One (1) God
- 2. Honor your Ma and Pa 3. No tellin' tales or gossipin'
- 4. Get yourself to Sunday meeting 5. Put nothin' before God
- 6. No foolin' around with another fellow's gal
- 7. No killin'

8. Watch your mouth

9. Don't take what ain't yours 10. Don't be hankerin' for your buddy's stuff.

I guess cowboys just kinda tell it like it is.

When I was a kid, a lot of what used to be right in this country was right in God's eyes and what Being a 5th generation in the a lot of people held to be wrong

was wrong in God's eyes. Fast forward a half century later and so much of wrong has become right and right has become wrong. Things really changed in the 1960's and in 1969 this was not the same country as in 1960.

I yearn for the days when we saw a Bible on every teachers desk and prayer could be held and supported in all our public schools.

Also, a school teacher could dish out discipline to a child who needed it without fear of reprisal from a parent.

If we don't make a stand and make it now, as God fearing people, there's going to come a time in the not too distant future, we will lose our country.

All are invited to a prayer meeting being held at the Cross Plains Community Center on Saturday, July 7, 2007, starting at 2:00 p.m. Let's pray for a **REVIVAL** in our nation and a turning back to God's law.

This is not a Baptist, Methodist, Church of Christ, Presbyterian or Cowboy Church thing-it's a Jesus Christ thing!

I want to encourage you, whatever your denomination might be, we've got to work and pull together with Jesus Christ in the CENTER.

You might think of it this way:

When days are hot and flies are thick,

Use horse sense and cooperate. This is a truth, all horses know, They learned it many centuries ago.

One tail on duty at the rear can't reach the fly behind the ear, But two tails when arranged with proper craft, Can do the job, both fore and

aft.

Flood damage began in County June 24th **Judge asks Callahan County** be declared disaster area

and deeply personal. There is no game room. Once renovated, we doubt that God sent this man as a will open up the dining area to See Down Home Page 3

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Submitted by **Ellen Steinle**



FAMILY WELCOMES LOCAL SOLDIER HOME FROM IRAQ-Lonnie and Marth Switzer (from left), Sergeant Joey Hartwick (Kim's boyfriend), honoree Corporal Kim Mosier, Brenda Switzer, David Switzer and Barbara Childers were at the parade held in Kim's honor on Thursday, June 28th.



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City of Cross Plains to Host Annual July 4th Celebration

The City of Cross Plains will hold its annual Fourth of July celebration on Wednesday at Treadway park, behind the Cross Plains Roping Club Arena.

Events are scheduled to begin at lawn chairs, as none will be proapproximately 3:00 p.m. The City will be furnishing FREE hot dogs, cold drinks, and watermelon.

Cancer Walk Meeting Scheduled for July 10th

Please join us to prepare and up. Be at the First Baptist Church plan for our Cancer Walk set for on Tuesday, July 10th at 7:00 p.m. Saturday, September 22. •

representatives from churches we had last year! and civic organizations to show

Bring your ideas and thoughts to We need volunteers and help make this a bigger event than

A 42 tournament, horseshoes,

and volleyball are activities

planned. A firework show will

Citizens are reminded to bring

For more information, please

contact City Hall 254-725-6114.

begin at dark.

vided.

Submitted by Kathy Purvis

Callahan County Commissioners met Monday, July 2nd to declare a disaster in Callahan said the Cross Plains residence County related to the high accu- flood damage has been fully mulation rainfall throughout the area

In fact, County Judge Roger Corn declared the disaster last Friday, June 29th, and the commissioners' court met Monday to continue the disaster declaration

The Monday, July 2nd Emergency Commissioners' Court meeting was called to order at 9:30 a.m. by Judge Pro-Tem Harold Hicks due to the absence of Judge Corn.

A Declaration of Disaster was presented to the commissioners' court to be approved. A motion to approve and continue the Declaration of Disaster was made by Commissioner Cliff Kirkham and a second to the motion was made by Commissioner Bryan Farmer. The motion was approved with a 4-0 vote. The Declaration of Disaster will be sent to the Governor of Texas requesting that Callahan County be declared a disaster needed repairs to the flood damarea by the State and therefore be eligible for financial assistance. Voting for the motion were Commissioners Harold Hicks, Bryan Farmer, Tommy Holland and Cliff Kirkham.

Also attending the Emergency Commissioners' Court meeting were County Treasurer Dianne Gunter and County Clerk Donna Bell

The Emergency Commissioners' Court meeting was adjourned at 9:40 a.m. on a motion by Commissioner Farmer and a second by Commissioner Holland with a 4-0 vote.

Callahan County Emergency Management Coordinator Jan Windham said the declaration of disaster was declared for the ongoing rainfall Callahan County 24th. Windham said the county's has been implemented by County Judge Corn.

Windham said most of the residence damage from the flood

waters has occurred in the city limits of Cross Plains. Windham documented, however she said the total damage to homes in Cross Plains could be more or less than 15 homes.

Windham said all four county precinct commissioners have reported flood damage to county roads and culverts from the ongoing rainfall.

Windham stated Governor Rick Perry is expected to ask for a Presidential disaster for most of Texas due to the flood waters which hit Gainesville, Marble Falls, Breckenridge and Eastland over the past several weeks. She said if the Presidential disaster declaration is approved, Callahan County could received Federal Emergency Management Agency funding to repair the county roads in Callahan County. Windham said if the Presidential disaster declaration is not approved for Callahan County, the county can apply for state agency aid to make the age

Windham said she hopes to receive word within the next week on if Callahan County is approved in the Presidential disaster declaration.

Judge Corn's letter to Governor Rick Perry declaring a disaster for Callahan County follows:

The Honorable Rick Perry Governor of Texas P.O. Box 12428 Austin, Texas 78711-2428

Dear Governor Perry:

As the result of continuous heavy rainfall beginning on June 24, 2007 throughout the entire County of Callahan, we are faced rainfall which began on Sunday, with county roads, bridges and June 24th. "This is a continuous culverts being destroyed and disaster," Windham said to the drains that are needing repairs. The county has approximately has experienced since June 15 homes damaged by the flood waters at this time. The extent of Emergency Management Plan the damage to crops being lost and ranches missing fences are unknown at this time.

Therefore, I am requesting that

Callahan County be declared a disaster area hereby asking for financial assistance to the County and its residents.

Thank you very much for your consideration in this emergency matter.

Sincerely, (s) Roger Corn Callahan County Judge

DECLARATION

OF DISASTER

WHEREAS, the County of Callahan on the 24th day of June, 2007, has suffered widespread or severe damage, loss of property and severe economic loss resulting from the imminent threat and continuous flooding, and

WHEREAS, the Judge of the County of Callahan has determined that extraordinary measures must be taken to alleviate the suffering of people and to protect or rehabilitate property,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED BY THE JUDGE OF THE COUNTY OF CALLA-HAN

1. That a local state of disaster is hereby declared for County of Callahan.

2. That the County's Emergency Management Plan has been implemented.

3. That this state of disaster shall continue for a period of not more than seven days from the date of this declaration unless continued or renewed by the **Commissioners** Court of County of Callahan .

4. That this proclamation shall take effect immediately from and after its issuance.

ORDERED this the 29th day of June 2007.

> (s) Roger Corn Callahan County Judge





Sunday Morning Worship......10:00 a.m.

Sunday Evening Worship......5:00 p.m.

Nancy Louella Pancake

Brownsville, Miami, Key West,

of Cross Plains, passed away demeanor made her a joy to be Friday, June 29, 2007, in Abilene. around. She will be missed dearly p.m. on Tuesday, July 3, 2007 at has taken another angel home. the First Baptist Church in Cross Plains with Ronnie White her parents; a brother, Joseph M. officiating; burial was followed in Skinner; and a sister, Lois June

1933 to Samuel Orville and Lillie Edward Pancake of Cross Plains: Mable (Cody) Skinner in White a son, David Pancake of Cross Deer, Texas. Nancy graduated Plains; a daughter, Brandy Lynn from Cross Plains High School Pancake of Houston; 2 brothers, and married Edward Pancake in Samuel Skinner and wife Betty of Pioneer, Texas on December 22, Trinity and James Skinner and 1951. She and her husband wife Betty of Fort Worth; 3 traveled extensively with his job grandchildren; and 5 great-grandand they lived in Houston, children.

Ruby Davis Buford

Graveside services for Ruby Coleman, Reba Nell Turner of Davis Buford, 81, of Coleman, California and Vonda Ruth Beal were held at 2 p.m. Sunday, June of Brownwood; four sons, Earl 24, at the Burkett Cemetery Eugene Meroney of Coleman, Pavilion with the Rev. Daniel Charles McKenzie of Cross Stovall officiating.

2007, at Coleman County Coleman; two Medical Center.

daughter of James Franklin Davis children; several nieces and and Myrtle McMillian Davis. She nephews. was married to William Aubrey Buford in 1954 in Loving, N.M. her parents, her husband, one He preceded her in death in 1996. daughter, Billie Jean McKenzie; Survivors include three and four brothers, James Davis, daughters, Lora Bishop of Arthur Davis, Charles Davis and

***** **Ruth Lynette 'Lynn' Stephenson**

Ruth Lynette Stephenson, 51, of Gouldbusk, died Friday, June 22, 2007, at Stephenson of Stephenville and Brownwood Regional Medical Chancy Lynette Pickett and Center. Funeral services were held at 10 a.m. Monday, June 25, 2007, at Stevens Funeral Home Chapel. Burial was in the Gouldbusk Cemetery, under the direction of Stevens Funeral Home of Coleman. Lynn was born January 18, of Gouldbusk; one sister, 1956, in Santa Anna, Texas, the daughter of Charlie Avants and Kathleen Hibbetts Avants. She grew up in Gouldbusk and graduated from Mozelle High School in 1974. She married Mike Stephenson on January 2, 1976 in Gouldbusk. She was the postmistress for the Rockwood Post Office and later for the Jones of Brownwood; and Gouldbusk Post Office. She was active in every type of community event, as well as 4-H and FFA. She was a member of the Gouldbusk United Methodist Church. Survivors include her husband, Avants.

and the Netherland Antilles before returning to the Cross Plains area in 2001 to retire. She loved the ocean and the bright city lights. Nancy was a kind and godly woman, who was always eager to chip in with a helping hand. She loved to prepare food for her family and her church, First Baptist Church of Cross Plains of which she was a

member. She was a beautiful lady Nancy Louella Pancake, age 73, inside as well as out. Her loving Funeral services were held at 2:00 by her family and friends. Jesus Nancy was preceded in death by Rife.

Plains, Larry Wiloth of Corsicana She died Wednesday, June 20, and William Buford, Jr. of sisters, Mae Seaton of Arlington and Ruth Ruby was born February 23, Sullens of Weatherford; 23 1926, in Comanche County, the grandchildren; 22 great-grand-

> She was preceded in death by Earl Davis.

"Lynn" Mike Stephenson of Gouldbusk; two daughters, Holly Michelle husband, Daniel Tye, of Coleman; one son, Ethan Jake Stephenson of Gouldbusk; her parents, Charlie and Kathleen Avants of Gouldbusk; two brothers, Marty Avants and wife, Janie, of Cross Plains, and David Avants and wife, Tonya, Sabrina Tibbetts of Coleman; one granddaughter, Callie Lynn Pickett of Coleman; her mother-in-law and father-inlaw, Lonnie and Tooter Stephenson; two brothers-in-law and sisters-in-law, Jerry Don and Angelita Stephenson of Talpa, and Dr. Billy Don and Debra numerous nieces and nephews and great-nieces and greatnephews and cousins. She was preceded in death by her grandparents, Bruce and Ruth Hibbetts and Thomas and Mary

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COURTHOUSE NEWS

COUNTY COURTHOUSE Roger Corn, Presiding

Misdemeanor Filings

Christopher W. Bruton, hunting from motor vehicle. Lawrence S. Bruton, hunting from motor vehicle.

Eric J. Sims, theft. Fountain W. Bullard, driving while license invalid (DWLI). Sarah M. Bilberry, possession of marijuana.

Cameron L. McRae, DWLI. Thomas A. McDaniel, telephone harassment.

Eric Mendoza, driving while intoxicated (DWI). Richard J. Conn, DWI.

Thomas J. Lucas, Ct. I deadly conduct, Ct. II - DWI, Ct. III - reckless driving.

Inez Z. Hernandez, possession of marijuana.

Misdemeanor Minutes

Richard F. Hock, plea of guilty to forgery, 75 days in jail, \$276 court costs.

John S. Brown, plea of guilty to DWLI, 10 days in jail, \$200 fine, \$256 court costs.

Richard F. Hock, plea of guilty to failure to identify, 75 days in jail, \$276 court costs.

Robert McKelvy II, plea of guilty to assault, family violence, 90 days in jail, \$256 court costs.

Richard J. Conn, plea of guilty to DWI, 2 year probation, \$2000 fine, \$351 court costs. Richard J. Conn, transfer request from Callahan Co. to Nolan Co. granted.

Michelle Derrick, motion to revoke probation granted.

Addison Sprayberry, motion to revoke probation and adjudicate granted.

Michael Whitmire, motion to revoke probation and adjudicate granted.

John W. Anderson, motion to revoke probation granted. David Hatley, motion to dismiss to cruelty to animals granted, insufficient evidence. Kenneth Flemings, motion to dismiss to theft by check granted, check was forged.

Marriage Licenses

William M. Frazier of Little Elm and Jessica N. Chapman of Clvde.

Hugo M. Mauricio and Melissa K. Clark, both of Cross Plains. Terry G. Fortune and Kimberlee M. Yates, both of Cross Plains.

Charles W. Fox of Abilene and Helen L. Hatley of Clyde.

Jesse R. Dennington of Clyde and LoAnn Leamy of Baird.

42nd DISTRICT COURT John Weeks, presiding

Civil Filings

Dedra Johnson and Ronald L. Johnson, Jr., divorce. Sally Anne Ramirez and Anthony Shane Ramirez, divorce.

Civil Minutes

Blake Fulenwider Chrysler Jeep Dodge vs. Texas Department of Transportation, unopposed judgment granted.

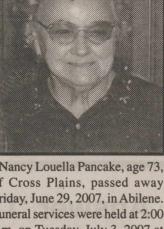
Criminal Minutes

Charles O. Harvey, judgment revoking probation granted, sentenced to prison.

Kenneth L. Bates Jr., motion to dismiss motion to revoke probation granted.

Cody A. Williams, plea of guilty to burglary of a building, 3 year probation, \$750 fine, \$299 court costs.





the Pioneer Cemetery. She was born on December 7, Survivors include her husband,



**** James Howard Strahan, Jr.

of Rising Star, died Monday, Movers, retiring in 1997 and May 22, 2007 in the Eastland returning to Cross Plains. He Memorial Hospital. There are married the former Ann Dillard no public services planned at Case on June 28, 2003 and moved this time. Arrangements were to Rising Star. entrusted with Edwards Funeral Home of Eastland.

Mr. Strahan was born on September 14, 1918 in Fort Worth Ann Strahan of Rising Star; 2 to James Howard Strahan, Sr. and children, Janice Moore and James Emma Belle Clark. He grew up Pierce Strahan both of Durango, in the Cottonwood community, Colorado; 2 brothers, Bruce near Cross Plains, where he Strahan of McGregor, Texas and graduated from high school. He Harold Strahan of Cottonwood; 5 began working for Geotech stepchildren, Richard Troxtell of Seismograph Company at an Rising Star, Time Troxtell of East early age. He married Enid Green Bend, North Carolina, Rhonda in 1939. She preceded him in Parchman of Lubbock, Susan death in 1997. They made their Gonzales of Post, and Julie Cruz home in Durango, Colorado since of Van Alstyne; and 4 grand-1950. He owned and operated a daughters. franchise of Mayflower Movers

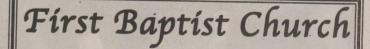
James Howard Strahan, Jr., 88, and later North American

James was preceded in death by a brother, Arden Strahan.

Survivors include his wife,

To get your name on the Birthday Column, send your name and date of birth to The Cross Plains Review, P.O. Box 519, Cross Plains, Texas 76443, There is no charge for this service. To delete a name due to death or other reasons send name and birth date (Month and Day) or Call 254-725-6111

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RETIREMENT CELEBRATION AFTER 28 YEARS OF SERVICE—Jewel Purvis was honored with a cake, flowers and gifts Friday, June 29th, at a retirement party from working at Dairy Queen. Family and friends were in attendance.

EWS By WALLACE BENNETT

Well here it is July 2, 2007, a 18-wheelers careening toward dark and rainy day, and it puts me you at break neck speed, 70 miles in a reflective mood. Two things come into focus. It usually does legal speed-limit. not rain a lot in Cottonwood, Texas, in July, although, if my Digger out of his gourd. grandfather John H. Coats were alive he would testify, that he this column up and read it, July remembers that it "snowed" on 4, 2007 will be recorded in him and his thrasher crew on the some history books. What will 4th day of July, one year. I was so they record about the people of young I can't remember the year, Cottonwood, Texas? That we and now I am old enough to feel like Ted "Junior" Ivy who once reflection about our history and said to me, "I'm so old I no longer our future, or that we spent it in buy green bananas."

This weather does remind me that when I was a high school 4, 2007, celebration. I hope and student in Cross Plains, the Atwell school bus would not come to patriotic spirit and we are now pick us up in front of our house, on what now is County Road 440, two miles east of Cottonwood because the roads were muddy and full of deep ruts. We had to Community Center and all are walk abut a mile either way to the invited. only "all weather" road, graveled, to Cross Plains which is now Unit will meet on Tuesday, July called State Highway 880.

It reminds me of a story I House. once read abut an old Model "T" traveler who topped a hill in take place this weekend at the Canada and found a sign beside Community Center. the side of the road that read,

per hour, and that is only the It is enough to frighten an old

By the time you readers pick spent this day in serious fun and frolic only?

Okay it is the day after our July pray that everyone is full of the deeply immersed in the future.

Cottonwood's Quilting club will meet on Tuesdays at 10:00 a.m. at the Cottonwood

The Cottonwood Fire Control 17th at 7:00 p.m. at the Fire

The Woody Reunion will

Beverly Brown informs me "Choose your ruts carefully, they that a new order of the

Woody Reunion set 87th Annual Pioneer **Reunion well Attended** for July 7th & 8th

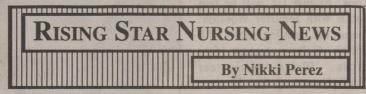
on July 7th and 8th.

noon on Saturday and continue through Sunday. A special event after worship services. All friends will be held on Saturday, July 7th and relatives are urged to come at around 6:00 p.m. We will try and visit with the Woody family to have an old fashioned "Old Joe on both days. Clark party" or "ring game". If there is anyone who knows some of the 'calls' or would like

All are welcome to the annual to assist with music or anything Woody reunion to be held at the else they can remember about Cottonwood Community Center these games, please come! If you want to 'play a ring game', you The events will begin around are more than welcome.

Our main meal will be Sunday

Submitted by **Thaila Robertson**



another day! While we are on the patiently for the arrival of his first subject of rain, we would like to tomato. say a big "Thank You" to staff members and the City of Rising as well this past week. Her cousin, Star workers for their help when we had an overflow of rain last Sydney, came over and talked Tuesday morning. It was a real team effort to keep the water out of the building, the residents safe and dry. Thanks again to Dudas for donating some more everyone. Also a thank you to our bingo prizes. administrator, Johnnie, who her shoes and sweeping water out it. the back door.

McGinn, came to work in her tall cowboy boots. But she changed shoes when she got here.

Neither rain, nor shine would keep us from going on a trip. making homemade ice cream at Tuesday we took Jimmielee 2:00 p.m. The residents love Payne and Jerry Holmes to Cross making ice cream and so do I. Plains to the Senior Citizens' Center. The phones were out so we were not able to reserve meals at the center. But luckily they will be held on July 20th at had enough to give to our two 2:00 p.m. We will celebrate the residents. We still had a good birthdays of Virginia Payne, Sue time.

visitor. The pastor of the be Fredene Tennison, Christin Methodist Church in Cross Plains Butler, Lindsey Shuey, Ginny came and visited with him a little bit. He really enjoyed it. We Birthday to all of you and many really appreciate her taking more. time to come up and visit with our residents.

Jimmie had moved his tomato and God Bless.

Rain, rain, go away come again plants. Well, he is still waiting

Irene Starkey had some visitors Carl and wife Jane Welch from awhile with her. She really enjoyed their company.

I would like to thank Taymona

They sure do come in real helped out as well, by removing handy, and we really appreciate

We would like to send some The rain was so heavy, Kristi thoughts and prayers to Modelle Amaon who is in the hospital. On July 9th at 2:30 p.m. Jim into some more comfortable Groce, a gospel singer, will be here to entertain our residents.

> Then on July 12th we will be Homemade ice cream is so wonderful.

Our birthday party this month and Joe "Jake" Landess, and Jimmielee Payne had a special Jerry Holmes. Employees will and Jessica Nieto. Happy

Well I guess that just about wraps it up for this week's Last week I mentioned that edition. Until next time take care

The 87th Annual Pioneer Re- Longest Distance was Jimmie union was held on June 23, at the Morgan from Texas City. Cross Plains Community Center. There were 57 long time friends who got together for a day of memories and visiting.

Lewis of Rising Star. He is 93 years old

The Oldest Woman was Jean Fore, who is also 93 years old, but voted to keep the gathering at the said she was going backwards from now on. Knowing Jean, she probably is.

The Person Traveling the

Down Home

The Family with the Most Members Present was the Brown Family with 10 members. They are descendants of The Oldest Man was Shorty James B. (Jim) and Fannie Brown, who came to Pioneer in 1900

> The members of the reunion **Cross Plains Community Center** for the future. The officers were voted back in by acclamation.

Submitted by **Frances Grider Taylor**

voice crying in the wilderness. The following is a portion of the transcript:

"Since the dawn of creation there has been both good and evil in the hearts of men and women. We all contain the seeds of kindness or the seeds of violence. The death of my wonderful daughter, Rachel Joy Scott, and the deaths of that heroic teacher, and the other eleven children who died must not be in vain. Their blood cries out for answers.

The first recorded act of violence was when Cain slew his brother Abel out in the field. The villain was not the club he used...Neither was it the NCA, the National Club Association. The true killer was Cain, and the reason for the murder could only be found in Cain's heart.

In the days that followed the Columbine tragedy, I was amazed at how quickly fingers began to be pointed at groups such as the NRA I am no a member of the NRA. I am not a hunter. I do not even own a gun. I am not here to represent or defend the NRA-because I don't believe that they are responsible for my daughter's death. Therefore, I do not believe that they need to be defended. If I believed they had anything to do with Rachel's murder I would be their strongest opponent.

I am here today to declare that Columbine was not just a tragedy-it was a spiritual event that should be forcing us to look at where the real blame lies! Much of the blame lies here in this room. Much of the blame lies behind the pointing fingers of accusers themselves. I wrote a poem just four nights ago that expresses my feelings best. This was written way before I knew I

You regulate restrictive laws,

Through legislative creed. And yet you fail to understand, That God is what we need!

Men and women are three-part beings. We all consist of body, mind, and spirit. When we refuse to acknowledge a third part of our make-up, we create a void that allows evil, prejudice and hatred to rush in and wreak havoc. Spiritual presences were present within our educational systems for most of our nation's history. Many of major colleges began as theological seminaries. This is a historical fact. What has happened to us as a nation? We have refused to honor God, and in so doing, we open the doors to hatred and violence. And when something as terrible as Columbine's tragedy occurspoliticians immediately look for a scapegoat such as the NRA. The immediately seek to pass more restrictive laws that contribute to erode away our personal and private liberties. We do not need more restrictive laws. Eric and Dylan would not have been stopped by metal detectors. No amount of gun laws can stop someone who spends months planning this type of massacre. The real villain lies within our own hearts.

As my son Craig lay under that table in the school library and saw his two friends murdered before his very eyes, he did not hesitate to pray in school. I defy any law or

are 10 miles long.'

charge" of the great paved at 254-725-7369. "highway" between Putnam and Cross Plains.

pace with modern fast autos and Texas 76443.)

Cottonwood Cook Books have It also reminds me that the State arrived. Anyone wanting a cook Highway Department is "in book should call Beverly Brown

(Please remember, I can't print it if I don't know about it. So, And, further, it means that this please call Wallace Bennett at great piece of pavement is narrow 254-725-7474 about news items and dangerous; carrying a variety and personal information for this of vehicles from small compact column, or email me at autos, to enormous pieces of farm <u>csb5@airmail.net</u> or snail mail to equipment traveling at a snails 11093 CR 440, Cross Plains,

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By Bob Pipes **Cross Plains Church of Christ** 433 N. Main (254) 725-6117



July 4th, the celebration of our nation's 231st birthday, has past — but I hope our celebration of the freedom we enjoy continues each and every day of our lives. There are at least three things I would call upon you to join me in doing. 1) As we "pledge our allegiance to the flag" from time to time, let us emphasize the words, "Under GOD"! Let us realize what we are saying and say it like we mean it. 2) As we use U.S. coins and bills as a medium of exchange, appreciate that they still have upon them the inscription, "In God We Trust." 3) And as we think of freedom, remember that real freedom can only be in and through Christ and His truth. He said, "You shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free" (John 8:32).

Some would like to see the "Under GOD" and "In God We Trust" deleted and removed. And Satan would like to see Christ's truth removed from the lives of we who live here. Let's not allow either of these to happen!

Please join us for worship and Bible study as we strive to "sign our lives with the excellence of God."

Sunday Morning Bible Class...9:45a.m. Sunday Evening Worship.....6:00p.m. Sunday Morning Worship.....10:45a.m. Wed. Evening Bible Study ... 7:00p.m Friends & Neighbors Caring In Jesus



Library Stats June 25-29, 2007

| Patrons 、 | 73 |
|--------------------------|-----|
| Programs | 6 |
| Books Checked Out | 80 |
| Copies | 137 |
| Reference | 5 |
| Internet Users | 26 |
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Book Donations: Bonnie Scott; Evelyn Davies; Sue Bennett.

SENIOR CITIZENS **MENU** JULY 9 - 13 MONDAY - Teriyaki Chicken w/ Gravy, Cauliflower, Green Beans,

Ice Cream Cup, Bread **TUESDAY** - Pinto Beans, Onion-Cucumber Salad w/ Dressing, Spinach, Peach Cobbler, Cornbread WEDNESDAY - Meatloaf, Whipped Potatoes, Normandy Blend Vegetable, Cheesecake,

Roll THURSDAY - Chili Cheese Dog on Bun, Baked Beans, Coleslaw w/Raisins, Pears

FRIDAY- Baked ham, Steamed Cabbage, Balckeyed Peas, Gelatin w/Fruit, Cornbread 2nd & 4th Tuesdays Domino Night (42 & 84) Begins at 5:00 p.m.

would be speaking here today: Your laws ignore our deepest needs, Your words are empty air. You've stripped away our heritage,

You've outlawed simple prayer. Now gunshots fill our

classrooms, And precious children die.

You seek for answers everywhere, And ask the question

"Why?"

politician to deny him that right! I challenge every young person in America, and around the world, to realize that on April 20, 1999, at Columbine High School prayer was brought back to our school. Do not let the many prayers offered by those students be in vain. Dare to move into the new millennium with a sacred disregard legislation that violates your God-given right to communicate with Him. To those of you who would point your finger at the NRA—I give to you a sincere challenge. Dare to examine your own heart before casting the first stone!

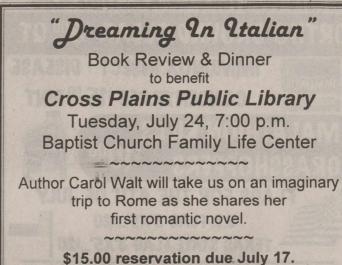
My daughter's death will not be in vain! The young people of this country will not allow that to happen!"

Community Moran **Gospel Singing Festival**

The Moran Community Gospel Singing Festival will be Saturday, July 7, 2007 at the Community Center in Moran. The gospel concert will begin at 10:00 a.m. and go until 9:00 p.m. The admission is FREE. A concession stand will be on sight. Come join us for gospel singing and fellowship.

Don't miss the chance to meet and hear these groups. If you need directions to the concert, please give me call, Tim Elmore/Redeemed, 325-518-8792

There will be an auction every hour to raise money for the building fund.



Contact: Library, 725-7722

"The Call" to **PRAYER * REPENTANCE *HUMILITY***

A Grassroots Movement of Ordinary People Gathering at the **Cross Plains Community Center on**

Sat. 07-07-07 at 2 pm.

to

PRAY for GOD to HEAL and CHANGE the Course of Our Country, (Starting Right Here with Us!)

Please feel free to bring your Bibles, chair cushions, wraps or whatever else you may need to be comfortable

(This Event is NOT affiliated with any church or pastor.) **Everyone Is Welcome!**

Local Library to Offer Summer Reading Program Starting Wednesday, July 11th

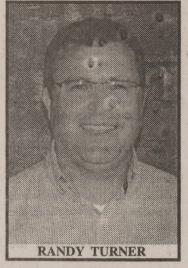
The Cross Plains Public Library will offer a different approach to the Summer Reading Program for students who have finished first through sixth grade. Local folks have been invited to the library to share with the kids a variety of hobbies, jobs, and special talents. Afterwards the students will be encouraged to check out books related to the topic of the day.

For seven (7) weeks the younger students will be keeping track of number of books read, while the older students will keep track of the amount of time they spend reading. Exciting prizes will be awarded to the top Meteorologist on KTAB TV in readers in each level.

If a child is not a regular patron of the library, parents was radio station manager of Firefighters and Fire Engine; are encouraged to come by in KSTA in Coleman for many. advance to enter the necessary information into the circulation system so they may check out on numerous severe weather books.

The program starts Wednesday, July 11th at 3:00 p.m., with Meteorologist Randy Turner casting off the "Sail Away to New Adventures" weather forecast.

Randy resides in rural Coleman www.colemannews.com. County. He has been involved in years.



Abilene from January 2002 to January 2007. Prior to that, he years. His experience in TV took him to two Texas hurricanes and how to shoe a horse. events across the Big Country. After leaving KTAB in January,

Randy went into private business in his hometown of Coleman and operates an online internet newspaper any time on or after July 11, 2007.

He managed to squeeze in contact the library any afternoon radio and TV broadcasting for 28 three years of college and at 254-725-7722. holds a Certificate of Broadcast He was most recently the Chief Meteorology from Mississippi

State University.

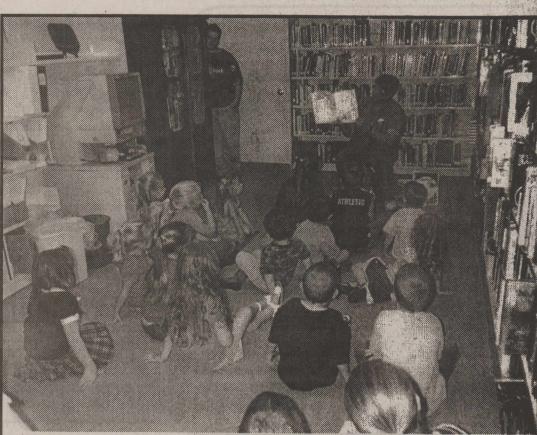
He provides forecasts daily on his website but can also be heard on area radio stations NewsTalk 96.9. The Breeze 102.3 and KSTA AM 1000.

He and his wife, Kathy, enjoy their kids and grandkids and life on the farm.

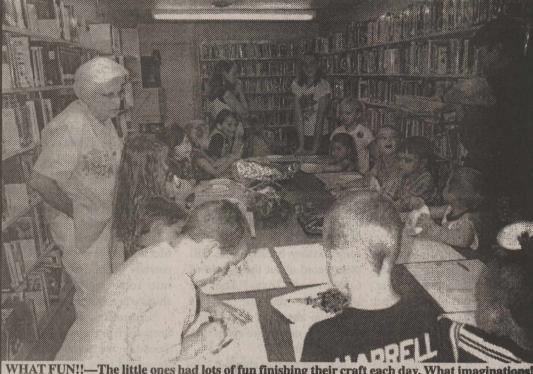
Special programs will be presented at the library each Wednesday until school begins. Scheduled on July 18th, Marine Biologist LeaJean Wyatt; July 25th, Texas DPS Trooper Jim Cook; August 1st, will be Fun Foods with Jennifer Wootton; August 8th, painting murals with Bobby Golson; August 15th, Cross Plains Volunteer August 22nd, Farrier Joe McWilliams will demonstrate

Make plans to attend the programs and challenge yourself to see how many books you can read. Personal reading logs will be available for each participant. Children are welcome to start at For more information, please

Submitted by Linda Burns, Librarian



READING ALOUD-Sue Bennett keeps the children captivated by reading them stories.



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July 4th Celebration

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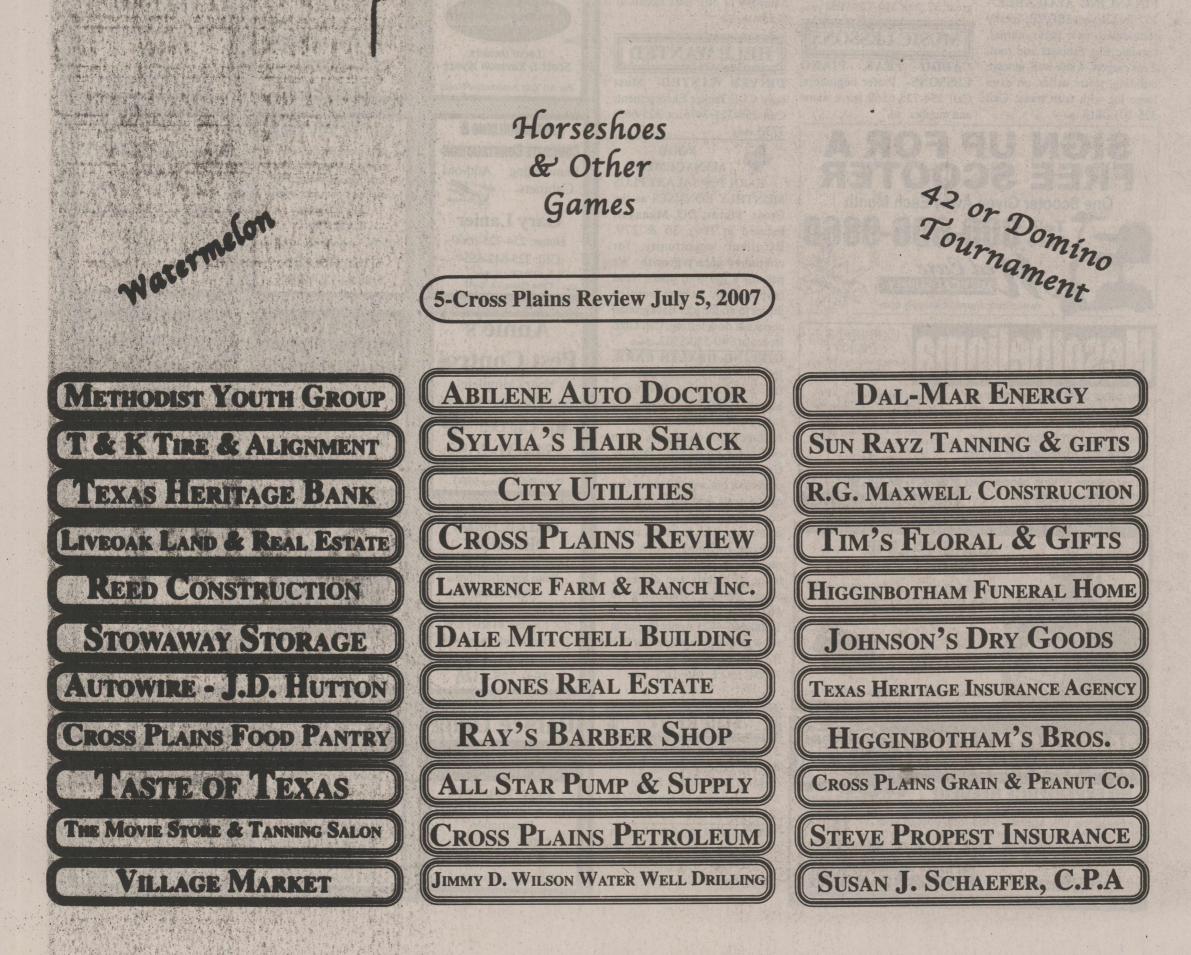
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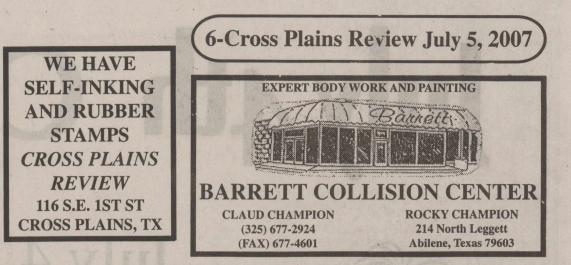
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RESIDENTAL:

NEW LISTING--2BD/1B frame home, 1,104 sq.ft., large back yard, carport, in Cross Plains. \$35,000. NEW LISTING--Nice 3BD/1B, 1,362 sq. ft. Frame home, metal roof, paved frontage. ONLY \$32,000. NEW LISTING--3BD/2B, 1,794 sq.ft. Frame home, CH/A, on large lot, fenced, carport, large trees, storage bldg, good location, in Cross Plains. \$35,000

NEW LISTING--2BD/1B on 2 Lots, storm cellar, fenced, large Pecan trees, patio/carport combination, storage bldg. **BY APPOINTMENT ONLY \$35,000**

* New Construction 1,320 sq.ft., 3BD/2B on large lot in Cross Plains, near school, in new home area. \$80,000
* Large Residential lots in Cross Plains in the Tom Bryant Addition. Trees. Prime Home Building Location.
\$6,500.00

* 3BD/1B, landscaped, metal roof, w **ScheD**large trees, large lot, paved street, in Cross Plains. \$48,000 * Beautiful, large, residential lots. Lots of trees, great location.

* large residential lot in the Tom Bryant addition to Cross Plains, trees, prime home building location. **INCOME PROPERTY:**

* 1BD/1B frame home with 2 efficiency apartments, 2 1 car garages, all electric, 2 lots, large trees, in Cross Plains, \$750/mo income. \$60,000. Owner Agent.

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| 20 +/- AcHwy frontage, pond WigeRate DNV RAGE ated not completed, great buy | 70,000 |
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| 128 AcGreat hunting & fishing, new cating the contract of the state | 383,000 |
| 136 Ac2 tanks, 2 water wells, barn, 100 ac coastal field, fertile soil, fenced, cross fenced | 340,975 |
| 230 AcExcellent property for hunting, cattle, or wheat. Huge oak & mesquite, building site | 345,000 |
| 249 AcWell stocked ponds & plenty of deer, beautiful 6yr old home, hunter's cabin & more | 695,000 |
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NEW LISTING-35 acres west of Cross Plains. Fixer upper house sold as is. Small barn, pens, fenced with some cross fencing. \$91,000. Call Staci 325-669-9658.

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MR. AND MRS. AARON STROMAN

Bland-Stroman United in Marriage on May 19th

Rebecca Jenai Bland and Aaron groom, Jimmy Norman, of Linn Stroman were married Lubbock. Groomsmen were the Saturday, May 19, 2007, on the brothers of the groom, Brett lawn of the Austin Avenue Stroman of Midland and Cory Church of Christ in Brownwood Stroman of Sweetwater, and with minister, Michael McCoy groom's friend, Hayden officiating the double-ring Callaway, of Sweetwater. ceremony.

Allen and Karen Bland of bride's relative, Wesley Burkett. Paternal grandparents are McAdams of Arkansas, and a Allen and Johnnie Bland of Cross friend of both the bride and Plains, and great-grandmother, groom, Tyler Lewis of Amarillo. Lerlene Fortune of Rising Star. Maternal grandmother is Betty Austin Avenue Church of Christ Wood of Lake Coleman.

Scott and Julie Stroman of Christian University, and is Sweetwater. The groom's employed by Bonnet Pet Center. paternal grandparents are Caroll The groom attended Lubbock and Dorothy Stroman. Maternal Christian University, and will be grandparents are Alton and Lou transferring in the fall as a senior Ann Pyburn of Sweetwater.

marriage by her cousin, Lindsey Inc. Bland of Midland, as maid of honor. Bridesmaids were friends honeymoon in Fredericksburg Callie Shero, Leah Pursch, and and Corpus Christi, the Shilah Casey, all of Brownwood. newlyweds will reside in

Best man was friend of the Lubbock, Texas.

Ushers were brother of the The bride is the daughter of bride, Wayne Bland, of Irving,

A reception followed in the Family Life Center.

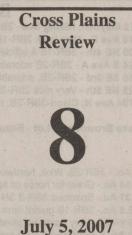
The groom is the son of The bride is a junior at Lubbock at Texas Tech University. He is The bride was attended in employed by Opinion Resources

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Clark-Mauricio to Unite in Marriage Saturday, July 7

Melissa Clark and Hugo Mauricio are please to announce their upcoming marriage on July 7, 2007 at the First Baptist Church in Cross Plains.

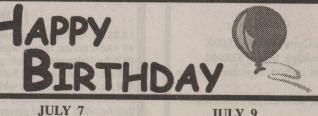
The marriage will begin at 3:00 p.m. with reception following. All friends and family are invited.



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SIRENS BLASTED IN CELEBRATION-Kim Mosier and Joey Hartwick are aboard the C.P.V.F.D. truck as they drive through downtown announcing Kim's return from active duty.



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JULY 8 Jerry Huddleston Dana Hall Willie Henderson **Spencer James Jefferies** Mrs. Warren T. Killough Chris Key Alana Davis **Troy Sawyer**

JULY 9 Ashton Yates Mrs. Buddy Belew Beverly Wilson Jason Rutledge **Betty Browning** Mickey Dillard James Earl Cowan Terri Scot Kim Gibson Floyd Mitchell Thomorah Lenn Adams Arvin Thornton Jason Goains Darla Fender Karen Pipes **Emily Crockett** Justin E. Whiteley Walter Martin, Jr.

JULY 10 Debi Bennett **Connie Breeding Plummer** Angela Rector **Rick Kirkham Candice Shae Bailey** Lisa Rutledge

Grand Ole Oplin Lineup for the month of July

The Grand Ole Oplin is proud to announce their band line-up for their Friday night dances for the month of July. Starting off the month on July 6th, Muddy Creek will be joining us playing all your country favorites, and on July 13th, Country Classics will be here to entertain us. On July 20th, Texas Touch will be joining us with the kind of music that will make you want to get up and dance. Ending the month on July 27th, Muddy Creek will be joining us again to play some more of your country favorites.

The Grand Ole Oplin is hosted by the Oplin Community Center each Friday night, and is

located at the intersection of FM 604 S. and FM 2926. Our dances begin at 7:30 p.m. and end at 10:30 p.m. Everyone is invited to bring a snack to be enjoyed by all during the band's break. Admission to our dances is still only \$4 per person. Alcohol and smoking is not allowed at any of our Community Center functions. For further information, please contact Pam Rumfield at 529-4522, or Judi Campbell at 529-4301

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

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