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TOODY McDERMETT BYRD

## Toody McDermett Byrd To Speak At Project Pride Dinner

Mrs. Toody McDermett Byrd of Austin, nationally recognized speaker, will be in Cross Plains to speak at the annual membership dinner meeting of Project Pride on Tuesday, January 21, at 6 p.m. at the Cross Plains Community Center.

Mrs. Byrd, who was reared in this community, retired in June 1991 as Director of Guidance and Student Services, Eanes Independent School District, Austin. She is affiliated with numerous professional and educational organizations and has been keynote speaker for state meetings in Texas, Oklahoma, Pennsylvania, Georgia, Florida, Louisiana, Alabama, North Carolina, Colorado, Wisconsin, Arkansas, Kentucky, Il-

linois, and Tennessee.

Mrs. Byrd was selected as one of 150 most interesting people in Austin by Austin Homes and Gardens in 1979. She is the wife of Hoyt Byrd, a mother and grandmother.

Tickets for the dinner may be purchased at The Back Room, Greenwood Insurance, and Citizens State Bank. A limited number are available due to seating capacity. Tickets are \$5 when purchased in advance with Project Pride 1992 memberships. Memberships are \$3 for individuals or \$5 per couple. Non-member tickets are \$6, and should be purchased in advance. Some tickets may be purchased at the door.

## Tim Ayers Singers Accompanied By No Compromise To Perform Locally Saturday, January 11

Saturday night will be an exceptional evening of inspirational music. The Cross Plains Community will be treated to a vast assortment of musical styles, as multi-talented singers and musicians from Dallas present a Gospel Concert.

The Tim Ayers Singers are guests of Rev. Ruby McCowen, pastor of Pioneer Pentecostal Church.

The Tim Ayers Singers, comprised of seven vocalists, will be accompanied by a well-known instrumental jazz group, No Compromise. The program will be under the direction of Tim and Sally Ayers. They are recognized

leaders in gospel music and have served as instructors in colleges and music symposiums around the world.

Rev. McCowen's granddaughter and her husband, Angie and Ken Eger, are members of the Tim Ayers Singers. Angie is the daughter of Reuben McCowen, formerly of Cross Plains. Tim Ayers is the pastor of the church Angie and Ken attend.

The concert will begin at 7 p.m. in the Cross Plains High School Auditorium. This highly-technical music presentation is open to the public free of charge. Doors will open at 6:30 p.m.

## USDA Commodities Distribution

Central Texas Opportunities, Inc. will distribute USDA commodities in Callahan County at the following locations:

**Baird:** VTW — January 15 — 9:30 a.m. to 11 a.m.

**Clyde:** Senior Center — January 15 — 1:30 p.m. to 2:30 p.m.

**Putnam:** City Hall — January 15 — 3 p.m. to 3:30 p.m.

**Cross Plains:** Multi-Purpose Center — January 16 — 8 a.m. to 10 a.m.

Items available this month are: peanut butter and butter.

C.T.O., Inc. has no control over what items are available or the quantity of the items. All locations of all commodities depends on the availability of food items from USDA.

All eligible persons will receive emergency food assistance without regard to race, color, age, national origin, political beliefs, religion, or handicap. Shut-ins are encouraged to designate an authorized representative to pick up for them. Volunteers are greatly needed and appreciated to help with this much needed program.

## Rainfall For 1991 Above Average

R.T. Watson of the Burkett Community came by the *Cross Plains Review* to report the annual rainfall received at his farm for the past three years:

1989 ..... 26.15  
1990 ..... 47.05  
1991 ..... 41.45

He stated that the average precipitation in Coleman County is 26.80. You can easily see that the past two years have been exceptionally wet.

If anyone in the Callahan County communities would like to submit their records, please bring them by the *Review* for publication.

## Project Pride Meets Tuesday, January 14

The regular monthly meeting of Project Pride will be held at the Library, Tuesday evening, January 14, at 6 p.m. The public is invited.

## Project Pride Announces Annual Membership Drive

Cross Plains Project Pride organization is announcing its annual membership drive. Membership is open to all persons who are interested in making Cross Plains community a cleaner, more attractive place to live and preserving and documenting the history of the city.

A catfish and/or chicken dinner (all you can eat) is planned for Tuesday, January 21, at 6 p.m. at the Cross Plains Community Center. Advance dinner tickets and memberships are available now at The Back Room, Greenwood Insurance, and Citizens State Bank. A limited number of tickets are available due to seating capacity.

Memberships are \$3 for an individual or \$5 per couple. Dinner tickets are \$5 when purchased in advance in conjunction with 1992 memberships. Non-membership tickets are \$6 and should be purchased in advance. Some tickets may be purchased at the door.

Musical entertainment will be provided and Mrs. Toody Byrd of Austin will speak.

## Early Out At School Wednesday, Jan. 15

Cross Plains Schools will be letting out early on Wednesday, January 15, at 2:45 p.m. due to a teacher's in-service. Buses will run at this time.

Parents are informed of the change of schedule to make arrangements for their children.

## How To Deal With Peer Pressure

By MICHAEL HALE

For years we have dealt with the problem of drugs, which includes alcohol. These problems are being fought by many different people. One area that we all need help in fighting this problem is our homes. Those of us who are parents struggle to raise our children to be drug free. One of the major problems faced by our children is peer pressure.

This Sunday, January 12, the First Baptist Church will host Keith Wells from "Drug Prevention Resources, Inc." at 9:45 a.m. We are asking that everyone from fifth grade through adults meet in the auditorium.

Wells will teach a lesson titled "A Basis for a Moral Choice." The study deals with the problem of peer pressure which has a hold on many of our children.

In the morning worship service, Keith will bring a message titled, "How to Cope With the Feelings of Failure."

If you have children or grandchildren, you will not want to miss this opportunity. We want to welcome everyone to attend this important Sunday at the First Baptist Church.



ROSS GERKING OF THE YEAR — Leonard Farmer makes the presentation. Ross Gerking (left) is the recipient of the prestigious honor. Lt. Governor

## Cross Plains E.M.S. Donations

The Cross Plains E.M.S. received the following donations from July through December 1991.

### July 1991

Patsye Robison in memory of Homer Robison; Kiwanis Club of Cross Plains; Joe and Cubelle Harris in memory of Althea Ingram; Erma Trent; Noah and Bobbie Johnson in memory of B.K. Eubanks; and Kate McCarty in memory of Connie Phillips.

### August 1991

Noah S. and Bobbie Johnson in memory of Sam Henderson; Mr. and Mrs. Troy Crockett in memory of Sam Henderson; Mr. and Mrs. James Lawrence in memory of Sam Henderson; and John and Betty Sue Adams in memory of Sam Henderson.

### September 1991

Nonnie and Nancy Leonard in memory of Sam Henderson and Mrs. Lernelene Fortune.

### October 1991

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Tunnell; Cross Plains High School Class of 1949 in memory of Freddie Starkey; Bobbie and O.B. Edmondson in memory of Mike Cunningham; Howet, Roylene, Don, Richard and Linda, and James Wilson in memory of Mike Cunningham; Gene and Bettye Greenwood in memory of Mike Cunningham; Mr. and Mrs. Dick Thrasher in memory of Mike Cunningham; and Mrs. Pearl Greenwood in memory of Mike Cunningham.

### November 1991

Hadden and Gretna Payne in memory of Mike Cunningham; Joe and Cubelle Harris in memory of Mike Cunningham; Mr. and Mrs. A.E. Ferguson and family in memory of Mike Cunningham; Mr. and Mrs. James Lawrence in memory of Roy McCoy; John and Betty Sue Adams in memory of Roy McCoy; Charles and Beverly Ross in memory of Roy McCoy; Howard and Debbie Edington in memory of Roy McCoy; Mr. and Mrs. Earl Lee in memory of Mike Cunningham; Howet, Roylene, Don, Richard and Linda, and James Wilson in memory of Glen Vaughn; Cliff and Connie Kirkham in memory of Roy McCoy and Mike Cunningham; Mr. and Mrs. E.F. Odom in memory of Roy McCoy; Mr. and Mrs. W.G. McCoy in memory of Iva McWilliams; Woodmen of the World in memory of Kenneth Gaskins; Cross Plains Ex-Students Association; and N.L. and Nancy Leonard in memory of Roy McCoy.

### December 1991

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Ingram in memory of Mike Cunningham and Roy McCoy; Mr. and Mrs. W.G. McCoy in memory of Oma Davis and Lawana Jean McFerrin; John and Loraine Kilgore; J.B. and Reba F. Green; and Callahan County.

The workers of the E.M.S. would like to thank each and every one of the donors. Without the donations they would not be able to buy supplies and save toward a new ambulance when it is needed. Thanks to one and all.

## Ross Gerking Named Kiwanian Of The Year

Ross Gerking, past president of the local Kiwanis Club, was presented a plaque by Lieutenant Governor Leonard Farmer recognizing him as the Cross Plains Kiwanian of the year. This honor is awarded to the member who the Club feels is most

deserving. Club members would like to congratulate Mr. Gerking for a job well done.

Gerking is also the mayor of Cross Plains and is actively involved in various community groups.

## New State Tax Increases WTU Bill Slightly

Customers of West Texas Utilities may notice two new items on their electric bill beginning in January. Both result from changes required by state officials and affect every investor-owned utility in Texas. "One item will not cost customers any more money, but the second item will slightly increase bills," according to Larry Cheshier, WTU's area manager.

The first item involves the customer charge which has been part of the electric bill for several years. By order of the Public Utility Commission (PUC) of Texas, it now must be listed as a separate item. The charge includes basic costs such as reading meters and processing the bills. It does not change each month and is currently set at \$6.50 for residential customers. The customer charge has not increased and this change does not affect the amount of a customer's bill.

The second new item involves the tax increase bill passed by the Texas Legislature in 1991. The PUC recently decided how utilities should collect the new state tax. The tax will be collected for each kilowatt hour a customer uses. The total tax for a

month will be listed as a separate item on the bill.

A typical WTU residential customer who uses 600 kilowatt hours will see about a 30 cent increase on their monthly electric bill as a result of the new tax. The factors used to collect the tax will vary according to the type of customer. For example, the amount of tax a commercial and a residential customer pays will be different.

These recent actions cap off a year of activity involving the PUC and WTU. Most of the activity was initiated by WTU and centered around reducing customer's bills or stimulating the West Texas economy.

In June and October customers

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## Hendrick Hospital Thanks Dairy Queens For \$13,629 CMNT Contribution

GRAHAM — Richeson Dairy Queen stores in the Abilene area have received thanks from Nancy Estes, Director of Special Projects at Abilene's Hendrick Hospital for their \$13,628.94 contribution to the Children's Miracle Network Telethon of 1991.

The funds raised by Richeson Companies will be used to support projects of the Meek Children's Hospital and other children's services at Hendrick Medical Center.

According to Ms. Estes, the construction of Hendrick's new Pediatric Intermediate Care Facility will begin this spring and thus the hospital will be able to treat a larger number of pediatric patients.

As the chosen charity of the Richeson Companies, the Children's Miracle Network Telethon is a year-round project of all forty-one Richeson Dairy Queen stores. Funds raised in other geographical areas go to the children's hospital in their respective areas. Among the fund-raisers are carnivals, rockathons, food concessions, rodeos, auctions, sidewalk sales, flea markets, dances, and golf tournaments. All 500 employees of the Richeson Companies participate in

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## Fire Department Donations

The following contributions have been given to the Cross Plains Volunteer Fire Department to aid in their services to the community:

Alpha Rho Zeta, \$25; Roger Watson, \$30; Helen Tillotson, \$25; J.T. Adams Memorial, \$25; Gladys Smith, \$17.50; WTU, \$50; Logan Long, \$50;

Suma Dill, \$25; Callahan County Insurance, \$100; Lurlene Fortune, \$25; C.L. Coppinger, \$25; Farm Bureau, \$315; Jack Tunnell, \$50; James Lawrence, \$50; Lawrence Farm & Ranch Supply, \$50; Anonymous, \$50;

Noah Johnson, \$25; John Kilgore, \$100; Cross Plains Masonic Lodge #67, \$50; John D. Montgomery, \$100; Bransford Eubank, \$50; Glenn Payne, \$50; J.B. and Reba Green, \$10; Wayne Newton, \$50; and Cross Plains Ex-Students, \$300.

All donations are greatly appreciated.



# ROWDEN

By MRS. N.V. GIBBS

Sheriff Bill Skinner reports that a drug bust made on Highway 18 near FM 603 led officers to another bust in Abilene.

Skinner advised that approximately a quarter of a pound of marijuana along with some drug paraphernalia was seized in the first bust. A suspect, James Douglas Justice, a white male 19 years old, was taken into custody.

Through this bus officers were able to make another bust in Abilene, where a large amount of marijuana was located along with 64 marijuana plants. Also seized in the latter bust were 2 small packages of what is believed to be hashish.

Skinner reports that hashish is a drug not heard of much anymore since cocaine has become so popular.

Sheriff Skinner advised the marijuana will be dried and stripped, then weighed to determine the degree of the crime, although the hashish and the marijuana will be felonies.

Skinner advised he was sure Justice was one of the drug sources into the county and is relieved that this one is off the street, however, it's not the only source and requests any information on other drug problems in the county. Information will be kept confidential. Call Sheriff Skinner at 854-1444, office or 854-1680 at home.

Sheriff Skinner also thanks the combined work of the Abilene Police Dept., Game Warden Howard Bredehoff, and his deputies for their involvement in the bust.

January has started out with warm weather, along with foggy mornings. Monday morning, the fog was thick here in the community, but on the Bayou bridge the fog lifted to bright sunshine. The muddy and water-soaked bar ditches are causing problems, so beware of soft spots along the dirt roads or out in a field. We are beginning to think of spring. The yellow Jasmine bushes in the Gibbs yard are in full bloom and bluebonnets have been up since early fall.

Emma Johnson and Lizzie Burks had a visit by Emma's son, Webb R. Johnson and son, Andrew of Caballo, New Mexico. Carroll Burks of Abilene was out one day to hunt. Lajuana Larkin of Cross Plains was out to do some cooking and housework. On Saturday, their visitor was Ozane Kendrick of Novice.

Charles and Michael Palmer of Clyde were hunting on the Joyce Odom place New Year's Day.

Part of the Gene Mauldin family were visitors Monday. Patty and Stanley Zwerneeman and their four sons, Eric, Curtis, Kyle, and Evan of Magnolia. Also, Roland and Faye Mauldin of Denton Valley. The group enjoyed a meal together. Also, during the week Vernie Belle enjoyed a telephone call from a former Rowden resident, Christine Bowers of Abilene.

Dorothy Watson said her family had been so busy that no visiting was done. The boys are helping Robert with carpenter work.

Thursday, January 9, 1992

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# Courthouse NEWS

## COUNTY COURT Bill Johnson, presiding

### Misdemeanor Filings

Charged with DWI: Rusty Bill Wells, Carol Marie Hill.

Charged with theft of property by check: Wanda J. Hillgren, Van Williamson.

### Misdemeanor Minutes

Motions filed to revoke probations on: Fernando J. Estrada, Timothy Toru Horito.

Kenneth Dewayne Starling, evading arrest with reckless conduct, \$3,000 fine, \$137 court costs, 30 days in jail.

Jim Sanderson, theft of property by check, \$10 fine \$142.50 court costs.

J.F. Keeter, theft of property by check, \$100 fine, \$126.50 court costs.

Bruce Vinson, theft of property by check, \$10 fine \$142.50 court costs.

Ronald Edwin Huddleston, DWI, \$800 fine \$192 court costs, 6 months in jail probated for 2 years.

Pamela Jayne Cooper, theft, \$50 fine \$137 court costs, 60 days in jail probated for 1 year, and must do 50 hours community service work.

Charles Kelly Adams, theft, \$250 fine \$117 court costs, 60 months in jail probated for 1 year, must make \$565 restitution.

Jeffery Leo Bailey, enticing a child charge dismissed.

Motions dismissed to revoke probations on: Victor Joseph Martinez, Carol Marie Hill.

Traffic cases dismissed: Billy Wray Wright \$143 adm. fee paid, Michael St. John \$173 adm. fee paid, David E. James \$173 bond forfeited, Ronald D. Butler \$143 bond forfeited, Michael Lucas \$173 bond forfeited, Gina Francis.

### MARRIAGE LICENSES

Kimberly Kay Brown, Clyde, Scott Errol Wilson, Longview.

Mary Edna Carlile & William Thomas Ince of Clyde.

Carie Michelle Renfro & Robert Allan Wheeler of Abilene.

Teresa Kay Ralph & Steven Ray Branum of Baird.

Karen Sue Wood & Aubrey Odis Fry of Baird.

### NEW VEHICLES

Milton Nunnallee, Abilene, Chev. 4 dr.

Mildred & Johnny Rowan, Clyde, GMC PU.

C.E. Jacobs, Albany, Chev. PU.

### 42nd DISTRICT COURT

Don Lane, presiding

### Civil Filings

State vs Rondal Earl Bell, suit for reimbursement of child support.

State vs Gordon Wayne Pippen, suit for reimbursement of child support.

Nationsbank vs Caroline Yates, unpaid account.

Divorces filed:  
Brewster, Thomas Glen and Rose Marie.

Thomasson, Kimberlee Jewel & Jacky

## Political Calendar

The Cross Plains Review is authorized to publish the following political announcements for the Callahan County office filings in the upcoming Democratic primary election set for Tuesday, March 10, 1991

### For Callahan County Sheriff Eddie Curtis

Pol. Adv. Pd. by Friends of Eddie Curtis, 840 Cherry Street, Baird, Tx. 79504

### Bill Skinner

Pol. Adv. Pd. by Bill Skinner, 619 E. 9th, Baird, Texas 79504

### For U.S. Congress 17th District

### Charles Stenholm

Pol. Adv. Pd. by Stenholm for Congress Committee, P.O. Box 1032, Stamford, Texas 79553

All political calendar advertising is payable in advance, at a cost of \$80.00. A free press release and photograph will be published with each announcement.

Don, and in the interest of minor children.

French, Darla Gaye & Terry Ray, and in the interest of minor child.

### Civil Minutes

Elmdale Oil Field Equipment dba Mauldin Sales vs J.R. McCormick, court rules certain property be turned over to plaintiff plus a \$500 judgment against defendant.

T.D. & Associates Inc. vs Don C. Long & Longhorn Oil Exploration, \$81,000 judgment for plaintiff plus \$10,000 attorney fees.

Travis Industries Inc. vs Dane Ratliff

dba Ratliff Woodstoves and Pipes, \$4,094.66 judgment for plaintiff.

State vs Keith Leroy Austermann, agreed order for \$1,834 reimbursement to be paid \$75 monthly.

Divorces granted:  
Larsen, Linda Maxine and Bob Verne, Cogburn, Judy Lynn and Vickey D. Poindexter, Shannon Lynn and Jay Don.

Wester, Cynthia Jean and Jimmy Vernon.

### Felony Minutes

Michael Ray Mikeska, cattle theft, sentenced to 8 years at TDC.

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## ASCS Announces Disaster Payment Program

The Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Service will administer a crop disaster assistance program to compensate eligible producers for crop losses caused by drought, flood, and other natural disasters in either 1990 or 1991.

"To be eligible, producers with crop insurance must have had losses greater than 35 percent," said ASCS official Jerry Harris, Chairman of the Texas ASC Committee. "Producers without crop insurance must have had losses greater than 40 percent."

Program applications may be filed from February 3 through March 13.

The 1990-91 crop disaster program provides cash payments for production losses on participating program crops of wheat, feed grains, upland cotton, extra long staple cotton, and rice; non-participating program crops; peanuts, soybeans, sunflowers, sugar beets, sugarcane and tobacco; and all commercial nonprogram crops.

Harris said producers who intend to file should begin to assemble their records now, so they will be ready when the program opens. He said that farmers will receive a special mailing with specific information on the program this month. "If a producer does not receive the disaster program information in the mail by February 2, he or she should call the county ASCS office."

Harris explained that a producer may not file on one crop on a farm for one year and a different crop on the same farm for the other. "However, the producer may request benefits for 1990 on one farm and for 1991 on another farm."

The ASCS official said disaster payments would be computed according to the 1990 Farm Bill, and expects to begin issuing payments to farmers by April 16. Further details of the disaster payment program may be obtained from the local ASCS office.

Eligibility for participation in all programs administered by ASCS is established by law without regard to race, color, religion, sex, age, national origin, marital status, physical or mental handicap.

# Burkett News

By FREEDA BURKETT

After the record-breaking wet weather we have had lately, it is, indeed, a pleasure to see the sunshine today and we hope it will last a while. There is still a lot of water in the ground that seeps into the low places. The Burkett Baptist Church and Church of Christ buildings both have basements, and even after they have been pumped, swept and dipped out twice, it has seeped in again at the Church of Christ building and still coming in. A pump is being left in this basement. Hopefully, this will cure the problem.

Jack and Zora DeBusk enjoyed Christmas dinner with their nephew and wife, Dick and Sharon Koenig and their family.

Wilda Tomlinson had Christmas dinner with Millie Coffey. Visitors of Wilda last week were Willie Mae Wilson of Santa Anna and Freeda Burkett. She got a call from her cousin, Opal Gray of Cross Plains, wishing her a Happy Holiday Season.

Charlotte and Ned Pickett and daughter, Hannah, left for home in Colorado after Christmas. Charlotte had been here several weeks taking care of her mother, Melda Walker, during her hospital stay and recuperation. Melba is better but can't be on her feet much because of a blood clot. Ned came before Christmas and had to go home to work soon after. Melba will miss Charlotte and little Hannah very much.

Bruce and Connie Benfield of Houston spent Christmas with her parents, Roy and Lela Young.

William Curtiss and Dusty Henderson of Junction spent Christmas week at the ranch home here. Their children and grandchildren stayed with them. They were Billy and Lauren Henderson and children, Chad and Jennifer of Abilene, and Tommie and Candy (Henderson) Eckert and sons, Kyle and Kody of Mason. Dusty's mother, Georgia Tate of Coleman, also stayed with them part of the time. Dusty and Candy took her home Sunday and did some visiting in Coleman.

Except Dusty and Candy, all the Henderson family members attended worship services at the Burkett Church of Christ Sunday morning. Other visitors were Barney Brady of Brownwood and Travis, son of Mr. and Mrs. Randy Golsen of Cisco, accompanied his grandmother, Peggy Golsen to church services. Russell Gould and daughter, Alisa of Abilene, Furman Kearly, former preacher for the Burkett Church and his wife, Helen of Monahans, were among the visitors, and he did the preaching at the evening service. He is now Editor of the Gospel Advocate, and it was a pleasure for everyone to see them again. Other visitors were Raymond Cross Sunday morning and Delbert Boyle, who was at home here from Snyder and was able to attend the evening service.

Christmas Day and dinner guests of Mike and Linda Brady were Russell Gould and children, Eli and Alisa of Abilene, Lucille and Dalton Gould, Marty and Glenda Callaway and boys, Brooke and J.J., Mike's father, Barney Brady of Brownwood, and their children, Melinda and Jacky.

Mike and Linda have been to Waco to visit his brother, John Brady. They also saw Mike's cousins, Howard Leslie of Garland and Harry Leslie of Amarillo.

Christmas Day dinner guests of Virgil and Freeda Burkett were Raymond and Lucille Cross and Mildred Lowe.

Mike Turner of Coahoma is spending a few days with his parents, D.J. and Lois Turner.

Jody and Eureka Whitley of San Saba and Marsha Turney, Jon and Matthew of Santa Anna visited Lat Mountain and Jack and Lovera Strickland Sunday.

Jon Turney visited Daniel Strickland Sunday afternoon.

Visitors in Lanette Burns' home over the weekend were Tommy Burns of Breckenridge, Chad Burns of Fort Worth, Mike Burns of Plano, Caroline Sanders and grandchildren, Jessica and Josh and Richard Burns, Tamora Burns and Casey Jones of Round Rock, Gerry and Bill Young, Tony and Robert of Lubbock, Billy and Lafaye Pace, Melinda and friend, Shawn, Ronnie and Tracy Pace and Perissa Terrill, Melanie and Dalton of San Antonio, and Greg and Margaret Sanders, Shannon, Amanda and Nicole of Round Rock. Jack and Lovera Strickland visited them Saturday.

The following made donations to the Historical Perpetual Burkett-Adams Cemetery Fund in memory of Eula Hunter: Lonnie and Rose Wooten and Betty Beall gave \$25; Linda Schrich and Betty Burden gave \$20. These donations are greatly appreciated.

The weather has been warmer and dry the past week, and we can be sure everyone is enjoying that. According to the government gauge, Burkett got about 43 inches for the year of 1991.

Sympathy goes to the family members of Mrs. Era (Harwell) McWilliams who passed away last week at a nursing home in Comanche. Funeral services were held at Davis-Morris Funeral Home in Brownwood Thursday, January 2, at 11 a.m. Burial was in the Burkett Cemetery.

Mrs. McWilliams was a daughter of William and Mary Ann (Burkett) Harwell and is survived by many relatives here and other places in Texas and other states.

Dalton Gould is a patient at Hendrick Medical Center in Abilene. He became ill Thursday night and was taken to Brownwood Regional Hospital where his condition was found to be very serious and was transferred to Abilene where he underwent emergency surgery and placed in I.C.U. News from his family today, Sunday, revealed that his condition is still very serious.

Cleo Porter has returned to home after spending several weeks at the homes of her children, the Roy Youngs and Jim and Lynn Porter, recuperating from a serious knee surgery and a blood clot at the hospital.

Mary Dunlap is recovering satisfactorily after surgery several weeks ago. Lillian Brown is not feeling so well lately. We send get well wishes to all of these and others that have been ill lately.

Sterling Walker is feeling better lately.

Delbert Boyle had a new pacemaker put in recently, and Virgil and Freeda Burkett took him to Humana Hospital in Abilene Monday for his checkup. The pacemaker was in good shape and working perfectly. The stitches were removed and Delbert was dismissed. They went from there to Hendrick Medical Center to check on the condition of Dalton Gould. He remains in serious condition. Family members are staying in the waiting room at all times. They were told he has had a heart attack, and has pneumonia now.

Sunday visitors of Jo Davee were Jack and Zora DeBusk, Lois Garrett of Cross Plains, Wilda Tomlinson, and Mrs. Billy Eugene Evans. Lois was getting up from a chair, not realizing her foot was numb. She fell and broke her ankle. Jack and Zora helped her into their car and took her to Humana Hospital in Abilene. X-rays showed she had three broken bones in her ankle and was kept in the hospital. She was to undergo surgery Monday.

S/Sgt. Brad Walker and his family, wife Brenda Annette, their daughter Clarissa Beth, and sons, Russell Sterling and Randall James of Fort Sill, Oklahoma, spent the New Year's holidays here with his parents, Sterling and June Walker. Brad is Band Master at Fort Sill. They all enjoyed a video tape he brought showing the Fort Sill 77th Army Band giving their Annual Christmas Program. One selection was Jingle Bells by J. Pierpont and arranged and conducted by Brad.

They all enjoyed making a campfire in the back yard of the Walker's home near the Pecan Bayou and roasted marshmallows and wieners New Year's Eve. This was a very special event for the grownups, as well as the youngsters. Montie Jennings is sick with the "Flu." Her daughter, Glenda Hutchins of Bangs, spent Sunday with her. Lovera Strickland also visited her Sunday.

Latest news from Lois Garrett was that her surgery Monday was successful and she will be hospitalized at least a week. Jack and Zora was with her for the surgery.

Guests of Mrs. Virgie Adams last week were her son and wife, Virgil and Evelyn Adams and sons, Robert and Patrick of Houston. Other guests during the Christmas and New Year season were Red and Mattie Bradford and Shawn and Misty of Comanche, Ollie and Peggy Bradford of Proctor Lake, and Lon and Lorene Gray of Coleman. Ollie and Peggy had been in Albuquerque with their daughter and husband, Larry and Debra Matthews. Debra has been ill for a long period of time, so they go often to see them. They got back for the New Year holidays with their folks here. The day after New Year's they received a call that Debra became very ill and was hospitalized again, and left here again to go back to Albuquerque to be with their daughter, who is fighting a battle for her life. We send our love and prayers to all the family, especially Debra.

Other guests of Virgie during the holidays were Elsie Porter and Opal Gray of Cross Plains and Vale Henderson.

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Thursday, January 9, 1992



THOMAS and WANDA FLIPPIN

## Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Flippin To Celebrate 50th Wedding Anniversary Sunday, January 12

Thomas and Wanda Flippin will be honored with a Golden Wedding Anniversary reception on Sunday, January 12, at their home, beginning at 3 p.m.

Thomas was born September 16, 1925 at Pioneer, Texas. Wanda was born November 16, 1924 in Haskell County. They were wed on January 9, 1942 at Eastland.

The couple's children are Donald M. Flippin of Kansas, Willard A. Flippin of Punichy, Saskatchewan Canada, Jodee A. Flippin of Eastland, and Denise C. Hubbard of Rising Star. They have 11 grandchildren and 3 great-grandchildren.

All friends and relatives are invited to attend the celebration of fifty years together.

## BIRTHDAY

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| JANUARY 10<br>Russell Barnes<br>Karan Wise<br>Ricky Wayne Waddell<br>Mrs. M.F. Dill<br>Ellen Brown<br>Lila Payne<br>Bob Ray Harris<br>Eddie Edington                      | JANUARY 14<br>Lorissa Gressett<br>Mrs. Exal D. McMillan<br>Charles Pippins<br>Johnny Illingworth<br>LeAnn Jordan<br>John Roberts<br>Linda Chandler<br>Crystal Nelson<br>Ileen Smith<br>Jessica Childers<br>Todd Watson<br>Sam Fleming, Jr. |
| JANUARY 11<br>Staci LeAnn (Weiss) Mayo<br>Mrs. B.F. Hutchins<br>Terry Dewbre<br>Barbara Johnson<br>Naomi McCowen<br>W.A. Watson<br>Benjamin Worley<br>Mrs. Charley Havens | JANUARY 15<br>David Strickland<br>Gary Childers<br>Mrs. C.R. Cook<br>Starr Appleton<br>Mrs. Jackie Pancake<br>Regina Fleming<br>Mrs. Vernon Donaway<br>Velma Byers<br>Monty Richards<br>A.C. Gaines<br>Marian Reed                         |
| JANUARY 12<br>Fred Flippin<br>Patricia Driskill<br>Mike Walters<br>Keri Michelle Bowman   | JANUARY 16<br>Laurie Lavender<br>Mrs. Raymond Young<br>Trivina Newman<br>Rickey Jones<br>Barbara Havener<br>Art Fisher<br>Betty Randell<br>Mrs. C.L. Milam   |

## OIL NEWS

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Petro-Beth Oil & Gas, Abilene, will drill the No. 1 Wilson, a wildcat to 1,999 in the Regular 10 miles northwest of Cross Plains on a 160-acre lease. Spots 980 FNL and 660 FWL, Section 211, William Scurlock, A-307.

Western Production Co., Fort Worth, will drill the No. 1 Brown, to 1,750 in the Scranton field at Scranton Townsite on a 13.6-acre lease. Spots 150 FSL and 150 FEL, Section 128, Block 3, H&TC RR Co.

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