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NUMBER 13

## DOWN HOME

EDITOR'S NOTE: H.D. (Herman) Weaver found the perfect poem for his preacher and wife, Matt and Sonda McGowen, who were married last Saturday. Herman read them the poem the Sunday before they married, but felt like the public would enjoy the description. Matt is the preacher at Cottonwood Baptist Church. Congratulations to the young couple. Vanda Anderson Creech

### "Wanted--A Minister's Wife"

At length we have settled a pastor--  
I am sure I cannot tell why  
The people should grow so rest less,  
Or candidates grow so shy.  
But after two years' searching  
For the "smartest" man in the land,  
In a fit of desperation  
We took the nearest at hand.

And really he answers nicely  
To "fill the gap," you know,  
To "run the machine" and "bring up arrears,"  
And make things generally go.  
He has a few little failings,  
His sermons are commonplace quite,  
But his manner is very charming,  
And his teeth are pearly white.

And, so, of all the "dear people,"  
Not one in a hundred complains,  
For beauty and grace of manner  
Are so much better than brains;  
But the parish have all concluded  
He needs a partner for life,  
To shine, a gem, in the parlor:  
"Wanted--a minister's wife!"

Wanted--a perfect lady,  
Delicate, gentle, refined,  
With every beauty of person,  
And every endowment of mind,  
Fitted by early culture  
To move in fashionable life--  
Please notice our advertisement:  
"Wanted--a minister's wife!"

Wanted--a thoroughbred worker,  
Who well to her household looks,  
(Shall we see our money wasted  
By extravagant Irish cooks?)  
Who cuts the daily expenses  
With economy sharp as a knife,  
And washes and scrubs in the kitchen--  
"Wanted--a minister's wife."

A very domestic person,  
To callers she must not be "out";  
It has such a bad appearance  
For her to be gadding about--  
Only to visit the parish  
Every year of her life,  
And attend the funeral's and weddings--  
"Wanted--a minister's wife."

To conduct the "ladies' meetings,"  
The "sewing circle" attend,  
And when we have work for the soldiers  
Her ready assistance to lend:  
To clothe the destitute children,  
Where sorrow and want are rife;  
To hunt up Sunday-school scholars--  
"Wanted--a minister's wife."

Careful to entertain strangers,  
Traveling agents and "such,"  
Of this kind of "angels" visits  
The deacons have had so much  
As to prove a perfect nuisance,  
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HOWARD ESTATE WRITING CONTEST WINNER-- Sarah Nixon (left) with Zora Mae Bryant, representative of the Howard Estate, was a scholarship winner. Keali Eppard, also a winner, was unavailable for the photo.

## Bob Howard Writing Scholarship Winners

Cross Plains seniors, Keali Eppard and Sarah Nixon, are the recipients of the 2002 Robert E. Howard Writing Scholarship. The Robert E. Howard Estate, represented by the Zora Mae Bryant Family, awarded \$500 to both graduates.

As in Howard's day, effective storytelling is evident among the young people of Cross Plains, for Eppard's mystery "Hammer T Farm and the Cedar Springs Scandal" and Nixon's narrative "Everything Will Be OK" were selected from among thirteen

very creative entries.

Sarah's story has already been published in the *Cross Plains Review* as the winner of the Cross Plains Public Library's Creative Writing Contest. Keali's story will appear at a later time.

Janet Swanson of Middleton Caddo Peak Ranch was the winner of *Bran Mak Morn: The Last King* written by Robert E. Howard. The Howard Estate and publishing company *Wondering Star* donated the book to Project Pride for a fund-raiser. Project Pride is very appreciative of the generosity of both.

## Skateworld to Open in Downtown C. P.

Skateworld has a projected date of opening Monday, June 24th, or possibly sooner. Dub and Beth Meador of the Cross Cut Community, are the owners and operators of the business located at 141 South Main in Cross Plains.

The new endeavor includes skating, video games, pool, and air hockey. There will be one cover charge for anyone desiring to skate or play games. However, you will be able to do both, if you like. Parents are welcome to watch or assist children without admission.

Skateworld's summer hours will include three sessions: 9 a.m. to noon, 1 p.m. to 5 p.m., and 7 p.m. to 11 p.m. Monday through Saturday. Skates will be available but you may bring your own, including roller blades.

House rules are: no alcohol, no tobacco, no chewing gum, and use of Christian language only. Skateworld will not be respon-

sible for accidents.

The building has been remodeled including air conditioning, new ceiling, carpeted walls, fresh paint and new rest room facilities (handicap access). The building has been revamped and will provide good entertainment for the youth of this community and area.

Skateworld encourages reservations for skating parties. The building may also be utilized for other parties or receptions by calling ahead (254) 725-6368 or (254) 725-7720 (home).

The Meadors hope that Skateworld will be used for musicals, senior citizens dances, teen dances, square dances, dance classes (square and ballroom), etc. They own Skateworld in Coleman and it has become successful for such activities.

They invite you to come in and have a great time at Skateworld!

## Library to Raffle Beef

The Cross Plains Library is again selling raffle tickets for a chance to win two mixed beef quarters. Tickets are available at the Library, Higginbotham's, Jean's Feed Barn, Lawrence Farm and Ranch Supply, Inc., Texas Heritage Bank and Connie's Cuts and Curly and sell for \$1.00 each, 6 for \$5.00, or 25 for \$20.00. The beef will be provided by Dean and Vicki Dillard and Cross Plains Frozen Foods will donate the processing.

The raffle for the beef quarters kick off the Library's second annual fund-raiser to be held Friday

evening, August 9, at the Community Center, when the winning ticket will be drawn. You won't need to be there to win, but surely you won't want to miss out on the fun--another delicious dinner provided by the Sisters of Beta Sigma Phi, a Live Auction, a Silent Auction, and lots of Door Prizes to be given out throughout the evening!

So get out and buy your raffle tickets, mark your calendar for Friday, August 9, and we'll keep you informed as our plans develop.

Submitted by Ginny Hoskins

## Howard's Rarest Book

A priceless piece of Robert E. Howard history comes home to Cross Plains

By Leo Grin

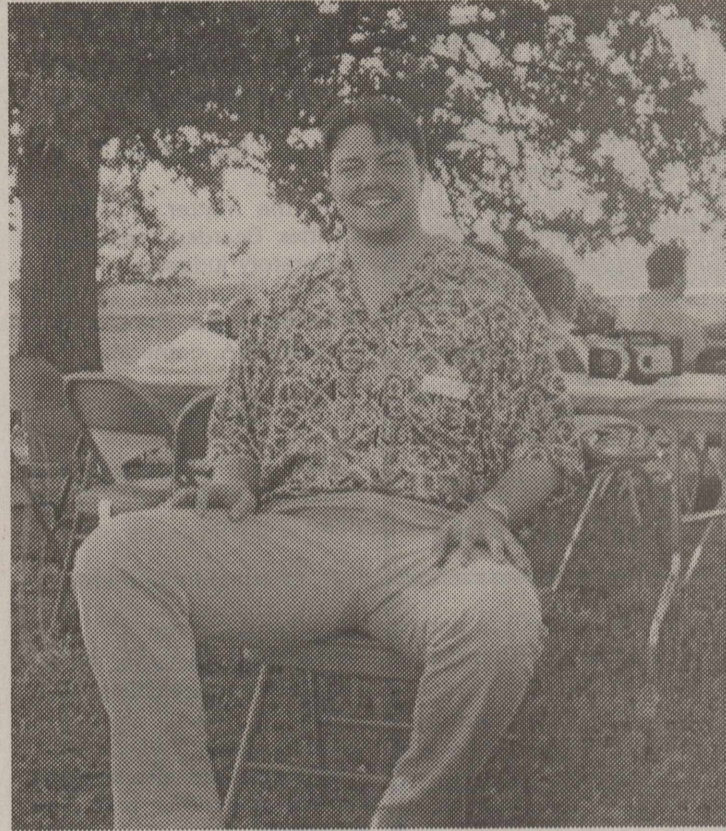
The Herbert Jenkins edition of *A Gent From Bear Creek* was the very first book Robert E. Howard ever had published. Although Howard had been writing for magazines for his entire writing career, by 1935 he still hadn't been published in book form. He had come close several times, but something always happened at the last minute to spoil the deal.

But finally, in 1936, a small British publisher named Herbert Jenkins purchased the right to publish a book of Howard's rip-roaring Breckenridge Elkins tales. All of these humorous-hill-billy westerns had originally appeared in a pulp magazine called *Action Stories*. In fact, of Breck Elkins was so popular with that magazine's readers that for several years every single issue of the magazine featured a Breck story from Howard, a streak which continued from the character's inception in 1934 all the way until their backlog of stories finally ran out a year after Howard's death.

After learning that Herbert Jenkins wanted to publish his Breck Elkins stories in book form, Howard sat down and re-wrote them slightly, adding textual "bridges" between them that tied the individual stories together into one complete novel. Howard sent the finished manuscript off to be published, but tragically he died before seeing the finished book in print. The book was published a year after Howard's death, in 1937, with Dr. Howard receiving the complimentary copy intended for his late son. One can imagine the great joy and pride Howard would have felt if he had lived to see his very first book published.

The book was being sold only in England, and a few years later, as World War II engulfed the world, huge paper shortages in Britain prompted wide-scale pulping of books to fill wartime needs. As a result of this mass destruction of books, by the end of the war virtually every one of the copies of Jenkins *A Gent From Bear Creek* had vanished from the face of the earth.

Because of this, in the sixty years since the end of World War II a mere six copies of this book have been found, making it by far



GENEROUS CONTRIBUTOR-- Leo Grin

the most rare and priceless of all Howard collectibles. Two are in libraries in England under lock and key. One is owned by an elderly Howard collector in Memphis, Tennessee. Dr. Howard's copy is now in the library of Ranger Junior College in Ranger, Texas. A fifth copy has been passed around from collector to collector several times throughout the 1990's, each time selling for thousands of dollars. And the last and best copy is owned by none other than Howard scholar Glenn Lord of Pasadena, Texas.

That's it. For sixty years even fans with thousands of dollars to spend have been unable to add this book to their collections, because it simply was not to be found *anywhere*. This scarcity has made it the Holy Grail of Howard Collecting, the one book that every Howard aficionado dreams of owning.

A Miracle from the South...the truly deep South...

South Africa, that is. In Forest Town, South Africa, within earshot of the roaring of the famous Johannesburg zoo, a man named Ian Snelling owns a rare bookshop. An ex-soccer player, Ian has for the last twenty years collected rare first editions of books and made a career out of

buying and selling them. Because of this, Ian often goes to a local charity thrift shop and pokes through their "to be pulped" bin, looking for rare treasures about to be sent off as garbage to be destroyed. As He explains it:

"This is a place where bitter experience has taught me that I better look through their throwaways before looking on their shelves. I'm sure you must have similar places in the USA...little old ladies working for charity who *know* that old tatty books have no appeal and just take valuable shelf space away from the Danielle Steele's and Jonathan Kellerman's that are *nice* books that the public will buy.

"For example, I found a rare copy of Evelyn Waugh's *Scoop* in their throwaway bin two years back. It was brand new, but with no dust jacket. So new, in fact, that I asked "where's the jacket that must have been on this?" The old lady answered: "Nobody would have bought it with scruffy old thing...we binned it! Finding the dust jacket on that book would have made it *far* more valuable. That time I was four days too late.

"But it taught me the lesson that searching their garbage bin prior to the shelves was a must. No amount of pleading to keep back old books has had any effect, they, always thing they know best. Even the payments I give them for discarded "rubbish" makes them think I'm eccentric. Of course I'm eccentric...I like finding diamonds in seas of mud!"

So, in early 2002, Ian was looking for...  
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## Cottonwood Musical This Friday

The Cottonwood Quilting Club is having their country and western musical of June 21, 2002, at the Cottonwood Community Center in Cottonwood, Texas.

The ladies will be serving sandwiches and different kinds of pies. Tea, coffee and soda will also be available. The supper will be served starting at 5:30 P.M. The musical will start at 6:00 P.M. The emcee for the evening will be Mary E. Weaver. The musical is wheel chair accessible. (We have a new ramp)

Everyone is invited to attend. For more information call (254)725-6762.

## Highway 206 Baptist Mission Fish Fry/Singing June 29th

Highway 206 Baptist Mission will be hosting a fish fry and singing on Saturday, June 29, beginning at 5 p.m.

Glory Bound Gospel Group from Abilene will be performing. If you haven't heard them, you have missed a real blessing. Everyone is welcome to attend and enjoy some great gospel music.

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## COURTHOUSE NEWS

COUNTY COURT  
Roger Corn, presiding

### Misdemeanor Filings

Billy S. Christensen, driving while intoxicated (DWI).  
Richard Stewart, assault.  
Charla Fowler, theft of property by check.  
James Salway, theft of property by check.  
Jason Kilough, criminal trespass.  
Rachel S. Bush, possession of marijuana.  
Jason R. Robbins, possession of marijuana.

### Misdemeanor Minutes

Stephen Isenhower, motion for early termination of probation denied.

Johnny Turner, motion to amend probation granted.  
Coy Greenrock, motion to withdraw as surety and application for warrant granted.  
John Sadler, motion to dismiss motion to revoke probation granted.  
Lucio Dominguez, motion to dismiss motion to revoke probation granted.  
Joey A. Morris, order releasing cash bond granted.

### Marriage Licenses

Israel Arranz and Connie Genee Boyd, both of Abilene.  
Bryan Lamar Cauthen and Rebecca Kols Wilkinson, both of Abilene.  
Paul Edwin Curtis and Linda Sue McCulloch, both of Abilene.  
Jeffrey Curtis Hines and Trina Diane Lee, both of Clyde.

42nd DISTRICT COURT  
John Weeks, presiding

### Civil Filings

In the matter of Thomas Charles Bearden, petition for declaratory judgment.  
Roscoe Simmons vs. MAL Enterprises, Inc. dba Lawrence Brothers IGA, damages.

### Civil Minutes

Burlie Odell McDowell and Christine Jenny McDowell, divorce granted.

### Criminal Indictment

Paul D. Horn, DWI.  
Scott Tony Chavarria, Ct. I - assault on a peace officer, Ct. II - DWI.  
John S. Price, DWI.  
Jessica A. Carrizales, tampering with anhydrous ammonia equipment.  
Henry R. Klassen, DWI.  
Donny R. Price, possession of anhydrous ammonia in an unapproved container.

### Criminal Minutes

Michael James Schweitzer, motion to dismiss motion to revoke probation and amending conditions of probation granted.

# OBITUARIES

### Lettie Turney

Lettie Turney, age 85, of Harrison, died June 13, 2002, at her home. She was born July 10, 1916, in Cross Plains, Texas, a daughter of James Samuel and Ida Harlow.

She was a retired librarian, working for North Arkansas Regional Library. She had been active in many clubs and organizations. She was a member of First Christian Church and received a 50 year pin in Eastern Star.

She was preceded in death by her parents; two sisters, Bessie McDaniel and Bee Bedingfield; one brother, Albert Harlow.

Her family expresses heartfelt thanks to the nurses, aides, volunteers and staff of Hospice of the Hills, Eagle Heights Clinic, NARMC, the Boone County Home Health Unit, and relatives and friends. Donations may be made to Hospice of the Hills, PO Box 1927, Harrison, AR 72602.

She is survived by one daughter, Junette Clayborn, and her husband, Johnny of Harrison; one brother, Paul Harlow and his wife, Juanita of Walforth; two sisters, Vi Harlow of Cross Plains, and Jean Fore of Pioneer; two grandchildren, Cary Clayborn of Dallas, and Colleen Jessie and her husband, Mark of Hot Springs, AR; two great-grandchildren, Clay and Kyle Jessie.

Services were at 3 p.m. Saturday, June 15, 2002, at Holt Memorial Chapel with Grasson Harlow officiating. Burial was in Maplewood Cemetery. Pallbearers included Cary Clayborn, Johnny Clayborn, Mark Jessie and Bobby Turney.

### Peggy Lynn Rone

Peggy Lynn Rone, 44, of De Leon, passed away Monday, June 10, 2002, at her residence.

Memorial services were held at 2 p.m. Thursday, June 13, at the First Baptist Church in De Leon with Bro. Jackie Auvenshine officiating. Nowlin Funeral Home directed the services.

She was born April 8, 1958, in Rising Star to Lester Linney and Jewell Kinsey Linney. She was a member of the De Leon First Baptist Church.

Survivors include her parents; a son, Terry Rone of Bedford; a daughter, Michelle Rone of De Leon; two brothers, Bud Linney and L.J. Linney of Rising Star; five sisters, Barbara White, Patricia Hutton and Sandy Hutton all of Rising Star, Carolyn Chambers of Brownwood and Deborah Chambers of May.

She was preceded in death by two brothers, Doodle Linney and Lonnie Linney.

## Bryson Reunion Announced

The "Bryson Reunion" for descendants of William J. and Sarah Jane Bryson will be held July 6th and 7th at the Senior Citizens Center on Main Street in Cross Plains.

Relatives and friends are cordially invited to attend.

For additional information contact Joan Bryson Parker at (915) 692-7939.

### Francis "Frank" Landon

Francis "Frank" Landon, 82, of Abilene, died Sunday, June 6, 2002, at his home.

Services were held at 2 p.m. Wednesday, June 19, at the Higginbotham Chapel with Eric Lovell officiating. Burial was in the Cottonwood Cemetery with Higginbotham Funeral Home of Cross Plains in charge of arrangements.

Frank was born September 20, 1919 in Crosley, Pennsylvania the son of John Lewis Landon and Frances Louise Williams Landon. He married Nellie Mae Lovell in Santa Anna, Texas on November 24, 1947.

Special thanks to Pamela Johnson for taking wonderful care of Frank for the past 2 1/2 years. All of the family's thoughts and prayers will always be with her.

Survivors include his granddaughter, Tammy Lynn Erickson Bauernfeind and husband, Joseph, of Woodville, Wisconsin; two great-grandchildren, Samantha and Cody Bauernfeind; as well as several relatives and many friends.

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

Pallbearers were Len Erickson, Albert Lovell, Bobby Don Lovell, Allen Lovell, Dwayne Bevelles and Bryan Lovell. Ollie Deaton was an honorary pallbearer.

## Eric Curtis in Concert June 23rd

First United Methodist Church Cross Plains proudly presents, Eric Curtis "In Concert" on Sunday, June 23 at 6 p.m. Eric has a rich history in Southern Gospel Music, having performed with such artists as Wendy Bagwell & The Sunliters, The Nelons, Lily Fern Weatherford, Glenn Payne, Bill Gaither, and many others. This 37th annual Grammy Nominated singer, songwriter has also appeared on the popular Gaither Homecoming Series, as well as TBN, and various Christian Television Programs. We invite you to be a part of this worship experience!! For more information please contact: Rev. Mike Redd at (254)725-7694.

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## Eric Curtis in Concert June 23 at 6 p.m.

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5. Do Animals Evolve?
6. Where did the "Races" come from?
7. What is the only answer to Racism?
8. Dinosaurs - in the Bible?
9. How can we raise Godly children?
10. Fossils & the flood - What's the connection.
11. How can we Evangelize?
12. A secular world - Part 1 & Part 2.

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Morning Worship.....11:00 A.M.  
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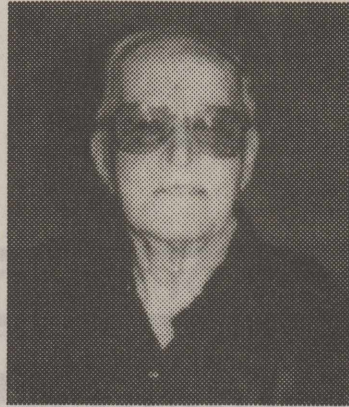
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Come Worship With Us!

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Sponser: Pioneer Baptist Church

Sunday School.....10:00 A.M.  
Sunday Morning Worship.....11:00 A.M.  
Sunday Evening Worship.....6:00 P.M.

Bill Armstrong - Pastor



### Earl (Shorty) Mosley

Earl (Shorty) Mosley, age 91 and 5 months, went to heaven to be with the Lord, June 16, 2002. He departed this earth in the early morning hours in a Brownwood hospital.

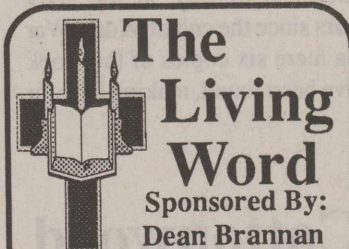
Graveside services were held at 2 p.m. Tuesday, June 18, 2002, at the Cross Plains Cemetery with the Rev. John Swift officiating. Higginbotham Funeral Home of Cross Plains was in charge of arrangements.

Earl was born January 14, 1911 to James A. and Fietta Mosley in Comanche County, the next to youngest of 14 children. He retired from the City of Fort Worth Parks Department in the early 1970's. He was a Baptist. His hobbies were making and mending violins and going fishing. He had a passion for fishing.

Earl was a resident of Cross Plains since 1994, moving here to be closer to his son, Marvin, and family. During the past two or three years here, he especially enjoyed going over to the bank, which was near his home, and visiting with the "Girls" (as he called them. He often took them roses from his rose bushes or fresh tomatoes. Once when he had to go to the hospital, he didn't want to go because he said, "The girls at the bank might not know where he was."

Survivors include two sons, Marvin E. Mosley and wife, Kay, of Cross Plains and Marian L. (Johnny) Mosley and wife, Carmen) of Maple Grove, Minnesota; one brother, Monroe Mosley of El Paso; and seven grandchildren, Mark Mosley, and Rex Mosley, both of Lubbock, Melody Pearson and husband, Tom, of Shallowater, Allison Wilson of Cross Plains, Stella Mosley, Angela Hennes and Elizabeth (Liz) Windingstad and husband, Larry, all of Minnesota; seven great-grandchildren, Zachary Mosley and Summer Pearson of Shallowater, Paige Wilson of Cross Plains, Lillian and Jessica Hennes and Kayla and Alisa Windingstad, all of Minnesota; and many nieces and nephews, including Lynn Mosley and wife, Zona, of Pioneer, plus a great number of other relatives, neighbors and friends.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests that you donate to the love fund established at Texas Heritage Bank in Cross Plains for Earl's funeral expenses.

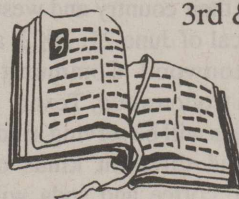


Exodus 20-10 COMMANDMENTS-  
5. Honor thy father and thy mother, that thy days may be long in the land.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

3rd & Main Cross Plains

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Sunday, June 23

11:00 a.m.

Morning Worship Service

6:00 p.m.

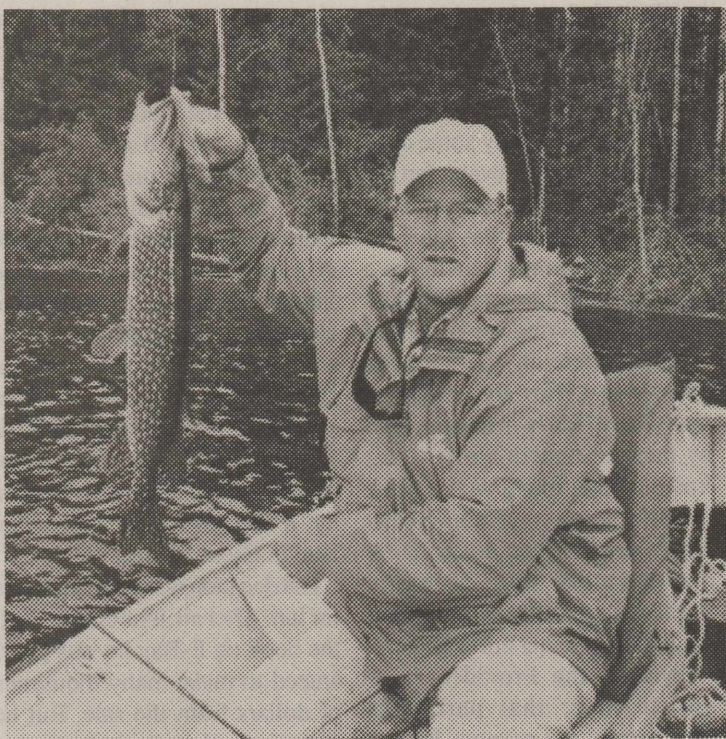
Evening Worship Service

Ronnie White - Pastor  
Kevin & Kim Cassidy - Youth Frank O'Banion - Music

Welcome!

## COTTONWOOD NEWS

By WALLACE BENNETT



THE BIG ONE DID NOT GET AWAY— Bryan Bennett

### Actually, the big one is in the freezer

"It was, indeed, the fishing trip of a lifetime," said Bryan Bennett, upon his return from a week-long fishing trip to Canada. The fish shown above is a Northern Pike weighing over four pounds which was a fairly normal size fish to snatch on a lure from Lake Kezik, near Souix Lookout, Canada. His party of eight Texans flew to Minnesota, drove up into Canada and caught a float-plane to the camp site on Lake Kezik. Bennett also caught the largest fish of the week which weighed 4.8 lbs. "We ate fish at every meal for a whole week, he said. Ask him to tell you a "whopper" the next time you see him.

### Old Aggies Muster in Cottonwood

I wasn't an official "Aggie Muster," which takes place on April 21, each year, but 1950 classmates from Texas A&M did get together last Saturday at the home of R.T. and Yvonne Peevy. Meeting with the Peevy's were Richard and Jeanell Purvis, of Abilene; Paul and Joy Teague, of Graham; and Wallace and Carol Bennett, of Cottonwood.

### Cottonwood Musical This Friday

Cottonwood's popular Musical will take place this coming Friday night: June 21, 2002. The Cottonwood Quilting Club will serve sandwiches and pies beginning at 5:30 p.m. Music starts at 6 p.m. Come on out; listen to good music, enjoy fellowship of friends and neighbors; you'll be glad you did.

The Quilting Club is scheduled to begin sewing on the annual Rehab Quilt this week (Quilting day is tomorrow, June 18, 2002). So, if you have missed the "laying in" of this quilt, you are invited to come join the Club for this annual charitable fellowship.

### Independence Day Celebration

Don't forget the annual July 4th Celebration of America's Independence day featuring a public reading of the "Declaration of Independence" and other patriotic presentations. July 4, 2002, Cottonwood Community Center, 10 a.m.

(Please report all personal and community news items to Wallace Bennett (254)725-7474)

## SENIOR CITIZENS MENU

June 24- June 28

**MONDAY--** Chicken & Dumpplings, Peas & Carrots, Tossed Salad, Tapioca Pudding Bread, Milk  
**TUESDAY--** Meatloaf, Mashed Potatoes, California Blend, Vegetables, Birthday Cake, Bread, Milk

**WEDNESDAY--** German Sausage, Sauerkraut, Copper Penny Salad, Pineapple, Bread, Milk  
**THURSDAY--** B-B-Q on Bun, Ranch Style Beans, Coleslaw, Peach Cobbler, Milk  
**FRIDAY--** Fish, Carrot Raisin Salad, Baked Beans, Fruit, Hushpuppies, Milk

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## BREAKTHRU

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

I heard of a lady, who not as well and strong as she would like to have been, said: "Now that I'm not able to be a servant -- am having to be served rather than able to serve others -- I'd just as soon to go ahead and die."

Now while there may be a thing or two wrong with that attitude, there's a thing or two commendable regarding it. She didn't speak out of a heart of bitterness because of her condition -- just matter-of-factness -- "If I can't be a servant anymore, then let me die." It came from the heart of a real servant, from one whose very life seemed to be gone since she had lost the ability to do that which she loved best!

Perhaps there is one problem -- one thing that's "wrong" about her statement. If she just didn't want anyone to have to help or serve her, she needed to realize that without anyone needing to be served, there would be no opportunity for others to serve. If one needs -- really needs to be served, then by all means, let those who can do so. If someone is wanting -- really wanting to serve you, then by all means, allow them the opportunity and privilege to do so. It's going to do them as much good as it does yourself, but feel good about having given someone the opportunity to serve and feel good about it.

And yet, "If I can't be a servant," she said... How she loved the role of a servant. Seems like Jesus said that it was the greatest! Come better learn the role of servant with us "at the feet of" the Master Teacher. We really do care about you, too!

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*

## PIONEER NEWS

The Quilting Girls had a good time quilting Tuesday. We finished Sandy's beautiful "Fan" quilt. We will be working on Lou's "Texas Star" and Alena's "Patriotic" quilts.

Our club and community are saddened by the death of Sandy and Trish Hutton's sister, Peggy Rone. The family has our prayers. Also, Jean Fore's and Vi Harlow's sister, Lettie, who lived in Arkansas passed away this week. Our prayers and sympathy are with Lettie's family.

Charlene Chesshir went to Eastland Thursday and Friday of last week to help with the wedding preparations for Jodi Dallas and Paul Alexander. She also went to the rehearsal dinner on Friday night at ZJ's in Gorman. It was a great time and she got acquainted with Paul's grandparents and parents.

The wedding was Saturday evening on the front lawn of the Dallas home. It was beautiful and very moving with Charles Chesshir performing the ceremony. There was a big crowd there with Chesshir relatives coming from Amarillo, San Antonio, Ft. Worth, McKinney and Arizona. John Phillip and Summer Chesshir came from Little Rock, AR. John Newman Chesshir and daughter Amy Barbour (and Baby Mia) and Abby Chesshir came from Edmond, OK. Also Dusty

Chesshir from Odessa.

Glenda attended reunions over the weekend. She went to the Pioneer school reunion Saturday morning and had a real good lunch. She went to the Clio and Owens school reunion at Blanket Saturday afternoon. Allen, Janice and family and Glenda went to church at Stephenville Sunday morning and attended the Boyd reunion at Stephenville. She got to see a lot of friends and relatives she hadn't seen in a long time.

Frankie and Jean traveled to Putman's musical Friday night. They met a lot of good friends, had a great time. Saturday they attended the Cisco musical.

Sunday, Frankie attended the Eaves reunion, then traveled to Ranger to see her sister Mrs. Dorothy Roger's and her two sons, Michael and Robert. They really enjoyed a few games of 42.

Earlene Burge was in Eastland last week on business, then went to Brownwood. Her granddaughter and family were there from Nacogdoches. Her husband, Andrew Chisholm, was starting a new job, associated with environment issues over several counties. Earlene, Dee Ann and Andrew Chisholm and son Cameron, Cindy and James Fuller and Jon Ochoa and Lester all had dinner at Jessica Stalez's. Monday night she played 42 at Cross Plains, eleven were there.

## CROSS PLAINS FESTIVAL NEWS

By JERRY BIGGERSTAFF

On May 28, the Cross Plains Festival Committee met at the Cross Plains Dairy Queen. In the absence of President Keeka Byrd, Vice President Bill Richardson called the meeting to order.

Update on the scholarship. There were no applications for the scholarship. The festival committee will revisit the scholarship program and requirements to determine what may need to be done to make it more attractive.

As many of you are aware, the Festival made the FRONT PAGE of the Abilene Reporter-News! Good publicity for Cross Plains and for the festival. The article did bring up a question that I would like to bring to our community.

What do you think about the name change from Barbarian Festival to Cross Plains Festival?

One person's opinion was received via email in response to the article in the Abilene paper (writer's personal information omitted by request):

"Hi, I appreciate where your heart is but this 'politically correct' mentality is getting out of hand. I doubt there is anyone who would relate Conan the Barbarian with Usama Ben Ladin and the WTC. I think the committee is making a mistake to change the title. Why not just rewrite history and take out all the violence...no more 'Remember the Alamo'...we might offend the Mexican families whose loved ones died at the Alamo...no more 'Remember Pearl Harbor' we might offend the Japanese families...and pretty soon will it be no more 'Let's Roll!' because we will offend the Arab world? C'mon guys...where is that old West Texas individual-

ity? Get real!

I commend all of you for the hard work in putting the festival together."

There have been requests for Barbarian Festival information from a far away as England. Shows we have something going for Cross Plains and for the Barbarian Festival.

What do you think? Should we be "Barbarian Festival" or should we be the Cross Plains Festival. (Maybe the Cross Plains Barbarian Festival)? You may call 254-725-4189 or email your comments to [jerryrichris@netzero.net](mailto:jerryrichris@netzero.net). I will report on the results of this 'poll' in my next column. I won't use your name in the report. This is your chance to let us know what you think.

Meetings are held on the fourth Tuesday of each month. Our next meeting will be June 25, at 6 p.m. The meetings are usually held at either the Cross Plains DQ or Jean's Feed Barn.

The Barbarian Festival, Inc., doing business as the Cross Plains Festival, is incorporated under the laws of the State of Texas as a not for profit corporation. Effective February 2001 tax exempt status has been granted to the Festival under IRS Code 501(c)3 as a publicly supported charity. Articles of Incorporation, Bylaws and Financial information are available for public review.

For more information about meetings, or anything else regarding the Festival, please contact Keeka Byrd at (254) 725-6836 or Jerry Biggerstaff at (254) 725-4189 (email: [jerryrichris@netzero.net](mailto:jerryrichris@netzero.net)).

## Down Home

And hope these "plagues of their life"  
Can soon be sent to the parson's  
"Wanted--a minister's wife."

And when we have found the person;  
We hope, by working the two,  
To lift our debt and build a new church--

Then we shall know what to do;  
For they will be worn and weary,

Needing a change of life,  
And so we'll advertise,  
"Wanted--A minister and his wife!"  
Author Unknown

## QUIPS, CLIPS & COMMENTS

By KAY MOSLEY

Note: When purchasing plants for your flower beds, remember to check the tags and buy sun-loving plants for beds in the sun and shade-loving plants for shady areas. I.E.: Ferns and Hostas and Caladiums (among others) are shade lovers, while Coreopsis and Nasturtiums, etc. are sun-lovers.

### "Macho-Man"

Things are becoming a little more interesting as I sit on the porch and scan the area surrounding my slightly grimy green lawn chair. The chair is grimy from some recent high winds, blowing dirt and blowing heavy rains.

We seem to have a new resident squirrel in our yard. Previously another squirrel, who we named Squirrely Joe, lived in our yard for 2 or 3 years. Then one day the sun came up and no Squirrely Joe. He just disappeared about 2 years ago.

Anyway, this new squirrel, that I have decided to name Macho-Man, loves to dash around in the two trees nearest our front porch and front door. I am thrilled that he has chosen these two particular trees to scamper around in. One of the trees is an oak and the

other a pecan. They are close enough together that their branches intermingle and for a sort of canopy over that area of the yard. Not only does Macho Squirrel like to climb around these trees, but he also likes to eat their produce which is acorns and pecans.

Recently, early one morning right after Marvin got up, he stepped out onto the front porch. As he stepped away from the door he heard a scuffling noise behind him; he looked back and there in the corner was Macho-Man. The squirrel scampered quickly away. It was raining quite heavily and Marvin said he figures the squirrel got up onto the porch to avoid the rain storm.

Thursday of last week I was sitting on the porch with a friend and here came Macho-Man down the tree trunk and leaned forward over to the fountain and got a drink. Then he scampered back up and ran onto a long curving branch, stopped right in the middle of the curve and just sat there watching us. I guess he thought we were sitting on his porch.

## BURKETT NEWS

By LOVERA STRICKLAND

More donations have been reported by Linda Brady, Secretary-Treasurer of the Burkett-Adams Cemetery Association. This is a partial list of the contributions:

Viola Maples \$10; Mr. and Mrs. James Herring \$25; Annie Merle Trent \$25; Charlene Burkett \$25; Cody Golson \$100; Mrs. Jewel Tabor \$25; A.B. Harris \$20; Arthur and Wanda Boyle \$25; Allen and Johnnie Bland \$100; anonymous \$25; Bevo and Dorothy Webb \$50; Alice Edington \$50; Lucille Carmichael \$100; Jim Hall \$100; Mr. and Mrs. C.W. (Pete) Golson \$25; Glenda Rawls and Noel Rawls \$25; Jim and Myra Holmans \$100; A.R. Neff \$25; and Mr. and Mrs. George Shewmaker \$50. The Cemetery Directors appreciate each donation made for the upkeep of the Burkett-Adams Cemeteries.

The Memorial Day Service was very impressive this year. Grady Harris and Andrew Walker, members of the Coleman VFW, got together and wanted to put a Veterans Memorial in the Burkett Cemetery honoring all the war veterans buried in the Burkett-Adams Cemeteries. It is a beautiful marker. Once a year, before Memorial Day it will be updated. Please notify us if we missed putting any veteran's name on the memorial marker.

The Burkett School Homecoming was a huge success. We estimated 150 attended. Everyone seemed to have a wonderful time.

As usual, the food was just out of this world. It was decided at the business meeting to combine the School Homecoming and the Memorial Service, so people can come to both without any hardship. Starting next year, the Memorial Service for the Burkett-Adams Cemeteries will be the second Sunday in June. The School Homecoming will continue being every two years. So the next Homecoming will be in 2004.

Lafaye Pace of San Antonio, Caroline Sanders of Round Rock, Gerry Young of Lubbock and Tommy Burns of Breckenridge visited Lanette Burns over the weekend.

Eureta Whitley of San Saba, Marsha, Jon and Matt Turney of Santa Anna visited Lovera Strickland during the weekend. Jackie and Jacob Strickland of Somerville went home Sunday morning after spending the weekend.

Visitors in Lovera Strickland's home Memorial Day weekend were Don and Kathy Tinney, Johnathon and Jonelle of Lefors, Darryl and Kathy Tinney of Lawton, Oklahoma, Marsha and Matt Turney of Santa Anna and Eureta Whitley of San Saba.

Kathy Purvis and Lovera Strickland attended Jacob Strickland's and Shari Cooper's graduation in Somerville on May 31, 2002.

Jackie and Jacob Strickland of Somerville visited Lovera Strickland. They did some fishing but didn't catch many fish.

### Cross Plains Cemetery Association Report For The Month Of May 2002

Donations & Earnings	
Freddie & BeeGee Johnston	\$ 100.00
Byrd	30.00
M/M L.C. Warner	25.00
Interest added to Acct.	5.92
<b>Totals:</b>	<b>\$ 160.92</b>

### Grave Opening Permits

Higginbothams Funeral Home- Christine Rayburn	\$75.00
2-Plots-Linda Clark	150.00
<b>Totals:</b>	<b>\$ 225.00</b>

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# C.P. STUDENT REVIEW

## Track Club Does Well in Area Competitions

The Buffalo Track Club took over 25 members, parents, and coaches to the Jacksboro Tiger Paw Relay Saturday, June 15. The members had a great meet. Everyone came home placing in the top 7. Many members won their division. The club will be traveling to Anson this Saturday to run in the Lawrence Hall Tiger Relays. It is not too late for students to come join the club. We will compete at the Abilene Roadrunner meet on June 29 and go to Wichita Falls on July 6 to compete in the TAAF Region 8 meet. Members that place 1st or 2nd in their events will qualify for the state meet in Waco on July 26-28.

### Results:

**PeeWee Division-** Samantha Dickson- 400 meter dash-2nd, long jump- 3rd, high jump- 2nd; Shahala Trammell - 50 meter dash- 3rd, 200 meter dash- 2nd; Cory Cavender - long jump- 7th, 400 meter dash- 7th  
**Bantam Division-** Cierra Odom- high jump- 3rd, shot put- 2nd; Emma Bennett - long jump- 4th, 400 meter- 2nd, high jump- 2nd; Chad Switzer- high jump- 1st, 200 meter dash- 4th, 100 meter dash - 5th  
**Midget Division-** Emily Harris- 80 meter hurdles- 1st, 200 meter dash- 2nd, high jump- 3rd;

Shelby Randolph- 800 meter run- 1st, shot put- 4th, 400 meter dash- 3rd; Krista Phillips- high jump- 4th, long jump- 6th; Betty Matthews- long jump- 3rd, high jump- 3rd; Brittany Melton- shot put- 1st; Joe Dalton Wyatt- 80 meter hurdles- 2nd, high jump- 3rd

**Junior Division-** Brittany Stout- 100 meter - 6th, long jump- 5th, 200 meter- 6th; Tracey Randolph- 400 meter- 2nd, shot put- 4th, Discus- 5th; Jacob Melton- 100 meter dash- 4th, shot put- 2nd, Discus- 5th; Chris McBride- 800 meter run- 3rd, 1600 run - 4th; Justin Dickson- 1600 meter run- 2nd, high jump- 4th, long jump- 7th

**Intermediate Division-** Dayna Bennett- 200 meter dash - 4th, shot put- 3rd; Kelsee Richards- 200 meter dash- 2nd, shot put- 1st, Discus- 1st, high jump- 1st; Dusty Dickson- 200 meter dash- 2nd, high jump- 1st; Andy Bennett- 1600 meter run- 3rd, 3200 meter run- 4th; Josh Dillard- 400 meter dash- 1st, 800 meter run- 3rd, long jump- 2nd

**Senior Division-** Kim Mosier- 100 meter dash- 2nd, 200 meter dash- 1st, 400 meter dash- 1st, high jump- 2nd; Jared Wooten- shot put- 2nd, Discus- 2nd

## SCHOOL BOARD MINUTES

A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Cross Plains Independent School District will be held on June 20, 2002, beginning at 7 p.m. in the High School Administrative Board Room. The subjects to be discussed or considered or upon which any formal action may be taken are as follows:

1. Prayer
  2. Minutes
  3. Open Forum
  4. ESL Report
  5. Texas Primary Reading Inventory Report
  6. Discuss/Take action on technology plan
  7. Discuss/Take action on auditor for 2002-03
  8. Discuss/Take action on TASB contractual/noncontractual employment policies
  9. Discuss/Take action on student absences (absences, tardies, absentee notes, and sign outs)
  10. Discuss/Take action on independent study courses/correspondence courses
  11. Discuss/Take action on student schedules/student aides
  12. Discuss final test at C.P. High School (exemptions- schedules)
  13. Review C.P.I.S.D. student handbook and code of conduct
  14. Personnel
    - A. Accept resignations
    - B. Act on contracts for new employees
    - C. Other personnel matters, as necessary
  15. Executive session
  16. Review financial report/pay bills
  17. Adjourn
- If, during the course of the meeting, any discussion of any item on the agenda should be held in a closed meeting, the Board will convene in such closed meeting in accordance with Open Meetings Act, Chapter 551, Government Code. Before any such meeting is convened, the presiding officer will publicly identify the section or sections of the Act authorizing the closed meeting. All final votes, actions, or decisions will be taken in open meeting.

This notice was posted in compliance with the Open Meetings Act on June 14, 2002, at 4 p.m.

## Cisco Junior College President Announces Retirement

The Cisco Junior College Board of Regents, at its regular called meeting of June 10, 2002, received Dr. Roger C. Schustereit's letter of retirement. Dr. Schustereit announced that "due to some unexpected opportunities, I am announcing my retirement as President of Cisco Junior College effective August 31, 2002.

Brad Kimbrough, Chairman of the Board, accepted the letter "with regret." He expressed the unanimous sentiments of the Board, noting that the "College has done well and prospered during the past fourteen years." Dr. Schustereit assumed the presidency of the College in 1988. During Schustereit's tenure, the school has grown from a student body of 1,895 to 2,783 for the 2002 spring semester.

Under Dr. Schustereit's leadership, the CJC Board of Regents initiated a major building program at both the Cisco and Abilene locations. Extensive renovation of Bivins Hall and the building of a baseball complex at the Cisco campus and the building of a new educational facility at the corner of Loop 322 and Industrial Blvd. in Abilene are planned.

Schustereit's retirement will not delay plans for the new building in Abilene or the renovations in Cisco. "Funding through revenue bonds has been secured and the CJC leadership team is continuing to work with the architects to bring the building projects to reality," stated Schustereit. Ground breaking is still planned for the early fall of 2002.

Schustereit announced that upon completion of his duties, he and wife Mary will be moving to the Cleburne area to begin a "new chapter in our lives." He expressed his appreciation for "the opportunity to work with you all. You will continue to be in my thoughts and prayers." On behalf of the Board of Regents, Chairman Kimbrough thanked Schustereit for "services rendered, and we wish you all good things in the future." The Board is now arranging for leadership during the interim and a process for selecting a new president of the College.

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## Book

ing through the pulpers bin of the charity shop in question, and came across an old dirty, battered copy of a book called *A Gent From Bear Creek*, by some chap named Robert E. Howard. Ian has long been a collector of P.G. Wodehouse, so he was quite familiar with Herbert Jenkins as a publisher. But the name Robert E. Howard didn't ring any bells, and standing there in the shop he guessed that "Howard" might actually have been a pen name used by famous western writer Louis Lamour. So, thinking the book might be worth something on that basis, he paid a few dollars for it and attracted more eccentric stares from the old ladies by leaving a \$20 tip in her collection jar.

Consider the Providence involved here: that particular book—only the seventh known copy to exist—had been mere two hours away from being sent off to the pulpers to be destroyed!

Coming home and doing some research, Ian found the website for the Robert E. Howard United Press Association, and realized that Howard was a real person. He emailed the REHupa webmaster (who happens to be me—Leo Grin), telling me about the find and asking for more information. I quickly sent him to his collection of *Firsts Magazine* (a magazine dedicated to collecting rare books) and told him to dig out the issue published two years ago featuring Robert E. Howard.

It was then that the true nature of his find sunk in. Ian had no idea how popular an author Howard was, how many fans he had, or how rare and expensive a book he had actually found. As he later said with a chuckle: "My knowledge of sci-fi and westerns leaves a lot to be desired. Somewhere I'd remember the name but in the wrong context. When I re-read the 'First' article, I did have the grace to blush!"

After thinking his options over, Ian decided that—rare as the book was—it wasn't the kind of thing he needed for his own collection. So he decided to sell it. He told me, however, that he found E-Bay actions and the like too impersonal, so he would be much happier seeing it auctioned off in a venue where real Howard fans would have a chance at owning it, or at least seeing one up close for perhaps the only time in their lives. Ian asked if I would perhaps like to auction the book off for him in the states, but after

thinking it over I had a better idea. I told Ian the story of Project Pride and the Howard Museum, and how the people of Cross Plains has worked so hard to preserve Howard's memory. I also told him of the annual Howard Days festival, and how hundreds of Howard fans came to Cross Plains each year to remember Howard. I suggested that if he truly wanted the book to be accessible to fans, he might consider selling it to me for a fair but discounted price, with the stipulation that I then donate the book to the Robert E. Howard Museum here in Cross Plains.

The decision was not a light one for Ian. After all, if he chose to sell the book on E-Bay he was guaranteed to make many thousands of dollars from the sale. But he was touched by what he had heard about the efforts of Project Pride and Cross Plains, and so finally he agreed to sell it to me for the relatively cheap price \$3,700. In doing this for the people of Cross Plains, I estimate that Ian sacrificed several thousand dollars which he would have received if the book had been auctioned publicly.

And so here we are—and here "it" is. The book was officially donated to Project Pride and the Robert E. Howard Museum during the 2002 Howard Days festivities. Now Cross Plains finally has that most precious of all Howard collectibles, the ultra-rare Herbert Jenkins first edition of *A Gent From Bear Creek*. Rather than being locked up in a library's holdings or disappearing into some rich fellow's collection never to be seen again, this book can now be seen by Howard fans whenever they visit the Howard Museum in Cross Plains.

Thanks to a kind and generous man in South Africa, a major piece of Howard history has finally come home.

**Editor's Note:** Project Pride will have the rare book on display at the Howard House on all occasions of public viewing. It will remain in a bank safety deposit box the remainder of the time, for safe keeping. It has been insured for the amount of \$10,000.

Vanda Anderson Creech

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## 3rd Overall Library Writing Contest Winner

Grandma Ruth  
By Tru Avants

Grandma Ruth left us today the 8th of March, such a sad but glorious day.

With her will so strong, and her body worn, she left us today to be with the husband and daughters she adored.

As she slept in her casket, peace, she now knows, in our fathers arms, through the pearly gates she will go.

As I carry Grandma, to her final resting place, tears came rolling down my face.

Here on earth or in heaven, Grandma Ruth's love, and will not die but only grow and will never be forgotten.

But this is not good-bye, as I know Grandma Ruth watches over me, everyday as I grow.

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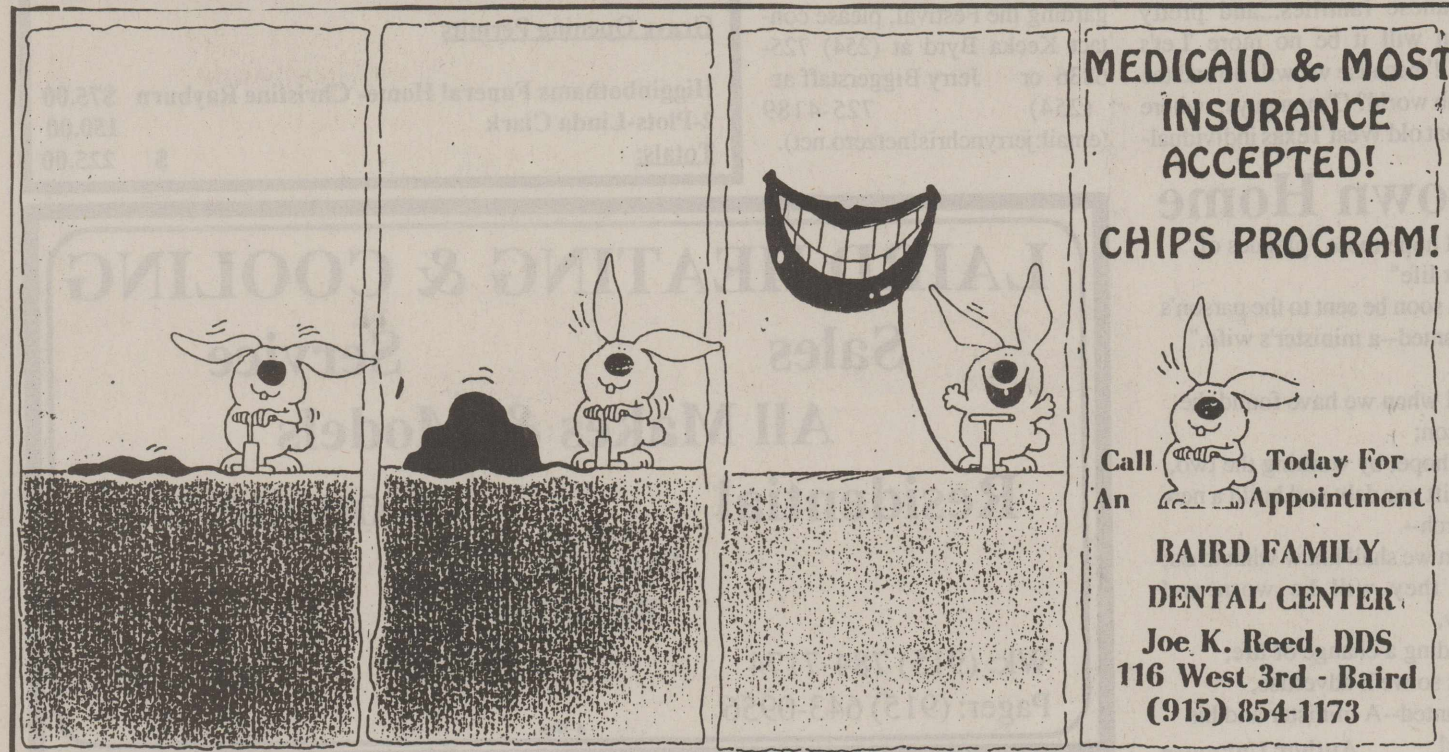
The market at Ranger was steady on packer cattle. Steers and heifers were higher on most classes. The market was very active with a large buyer attendance.  
NOTE: Herd Dispersal Next Week 100 cows, some pairs, 4 Charolais Bulls according to Thomas Seay, Reporter

Next sale will be June 20, 2002

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# Penalties for Illegal Dumping Increased

By Allen Wright  
Callahan County Attorney

Illegal dumping around the county just got a lot more risky, a lot more expensive and could cost the offender his vehicle.

On September 1, 2001 the Texas Legislature enacted tough new litter laws intended to increase the penalty for illegal dumping. The new law decreases the amount of litter required to support substantial punishment and increases the penalty for even small amounts of litter. Certain amounts of types of litter are punishable as a felony with up to two years in prison and a fine of up to \$10,000 as a consequence.

The new law, found in the Texas Health and Safety Code, also eliminates a culpable mental state if the amount of the litter is less than 1,000 pounds or 200 cubic feet. This means that the State does not have to prove the offender knowingly and intentionally dumped the trash. If officers find traceable evidence such as letters, prescriptions bottles, utility bills, or magazine subscriptions that identify the owner of the trash the owners can be prosecuted even without a witness actually observing the act.

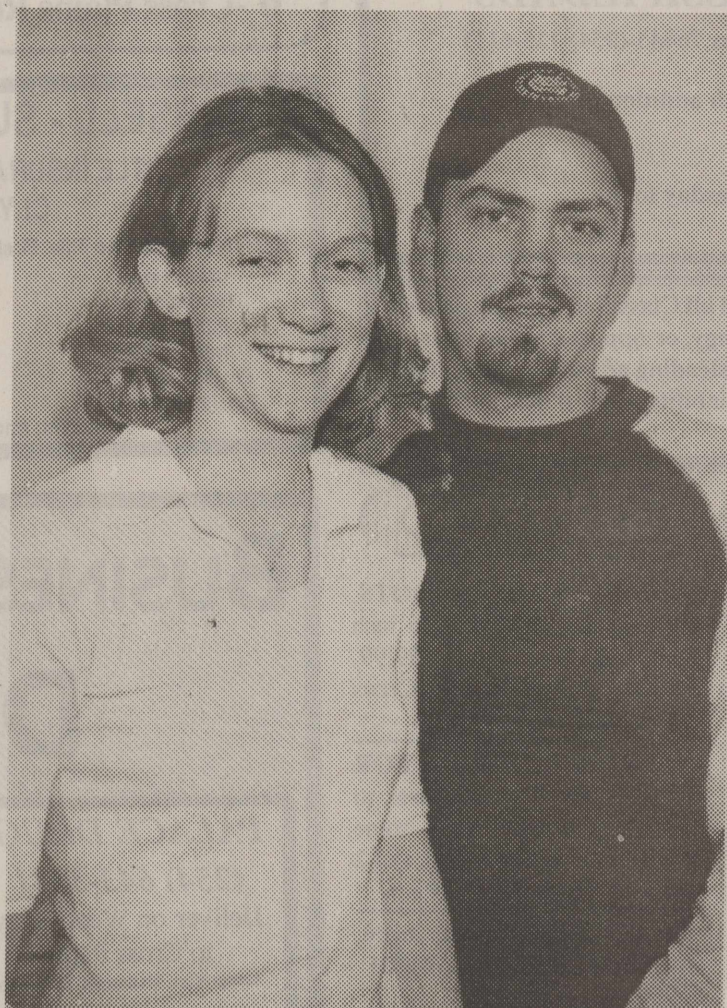
Illegal commercial dumping regulations are even stricter with a limit of 200 pounds or 200 cubic feet to become a felony.

Dumping by anyone in a closed barrel or drum constitutes a felony. A repeat offender's vehicle is also subject to forfeiture and can be seized and sold by the State.

The new law is substantially tougher than prior laws. In the past it was often difficult to prove who committed the illegal dumping because there were seldom any witnesses. And even if the offender was caught and charged the maximum punishment was seldom more than a Class B offense carrying a maximum punishment of six months in jail and a \$2000.

Like all Texas counties, Callahan County has had more than its share of illegal dumping. A few years ago a Baird man demolished and dumped debris from an entire house along county roads. He was sentenced to a year in jail but to those who picked up the many piles of boards and debris and suffered many flat tires that hardly seemed like enough. However, the law at that time worked against a more serious penalty. Now the man could be sent to prison.

Hopefully, with a new tougher law, people will decide it is better to pay a little to legally dispose of trash at an approved site rather than risk the expense of arrest, prosecution and a felony record just to save a few dollars.



CHRISTINA BEATY AND JOSEPH GLENN

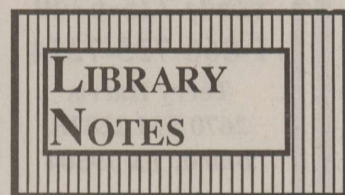
## Beaty-Glenn Announce Upcoming Wedding

Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Beaty are proud to announce the upcoming marriage of their daughter Christina Renee Beaty to Joseph Wayne Glenn of San Angelo on July 27, 2002.

Christina is a 2000 graduate of Cross Plains. She is currently a sophomore at Angelo State University and employed at Food Basket IGA in San Angelo.

Joseph is a 1999 graduate of Lakeview High School. He is the son of David Glenn of San Angelo and Donna Diez of Lubbock. He is currently employed at Bruton Easy Pull Trailers.

The wedding will take place at the home of Tammy Weiser. Friends and family are invited to share in this special occasion.



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## Cross Timbers Southern Baptist Association Meeting Set

The Cross Timbers Southern Baptist Association rally meeting will be held June 24, 2002, at Comyn Baptist Church, on FM 1496, DeLeon, Texas, where Ray Seckinger is Pastor.

The Association Business meeting will begin at 5:30 p.m. Supper will be served at 6 p.m. and the Evening Program will begin at 7 p.m.

The Laster Family of Fort Worth will lead in music.

Our guest speaker for the evening will be Riley Hamilton, of Highland Terrace Baptist Church, Greenville. He will be speaking on "The Importance of Prayer in the Church".

Cross Timbers Southern Baptist Association is a family of 40 churches and missions, which are affiliated with the Southern Baptists of TX Convention and the Southern Baptist Convention.

For more information about this meeting or the Association, contact Dwaine Clower at (254)725-7574.

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Bob Pipes and Susan Schaefer, Kiwanis members and EMS personnel, shared information regarding the Cross Plains Emergency Medical Service to the Kiwanians and guests at the weekly Kiwanis meeting on Tuesday, June 11th. Included in the report was a mentioning of the EMS' greatest needs - more volunteers, both attendants and drivers, and continued monetary support and encouragement. If interested, please call one of these past board members, or one of the present board members (Curtis Cooper, George Matthews, Rhonda Hinton, Jimmy Long, Debra Childers or John Swift). Everyone is always welcome to the weekly Kiwanis Club meeting at Jean's Feed Barn, East Room, Tuesday from noon to 1 p.m.



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**The egg that binds...**

I wish I could remember the recipe for Oatmeal Crispies. I'm on vacation in Kentucky with nearly the whole tribe. Puddin' made the drive with me, bringing two of my granddaughters (Sweet Pea and Peanut). We've got two whole weeks ahead of us with Precious (my youngest), and my grandson Smiley Riley. Punkin' is a working college girl now, not free to roam. My Keeper has two weeks of peace and quiet without us. Those of us sitting around the table in Kentucky are hungry for Oatmeal Crispies.

These chewy cookies are an old family favorite, right up there with Snickerdoodles. I've baked so many batches over the years, the cookbook page is stained and rumpled. Spatters of oil blend with smudges of shortening mixed with sugar and flour and an unknown orange something-or-other.

As our family grew, I tweaked the recipe to reflect changes in taste and in dietary discoveries. A column penciled beside the list of ingredients doubles the recipe. Notes beside that add a tablespoon of flour to firm up the dough for sticky little fingers. When the kids got beyond preschool, I took the tablespoon of flour away and added 1/4 cup more oatmeal. It's chewier, and oatmeal is good for you. Then health trends said to cut the fat, so I did. Eventually they tasted better with reduced sugar.

Music and baking are functions of mathematics, so recipe variations kept in mind the scientific ratio of liquid to dry ingredients. High school Home Ec lessons taught me what each ingredient contributes to the total dough.

I don't make the cookies often anymore, since the kids are grown and busy with other things, but this morning we are gathered around Precious' kitchen table in Kentucky.

It sounds like this around the table:

"Where's the recipe, Gramma?"  
"How much sugar should I measure?"

"I spilled flour."  
"Sweet Pea, the wooden spoon is not a drumstick!"

"I need a measuring spoon, Gramma."  
"Sweet Pea, quit that infernal racket!"

"What's the difference between baking powder and baking soda?"

"Can't hear you, Peanut. Sweet Pea! Stop clanging the cookie sheets! They aren't cymbals!"

"Is this a tablespoon or a teaspoon?"  
"Sweet Pea...!"

Peanut brought me the cookbook. I laid it open, riffing through the pages. All our favorites are marked with drips and blotches, so it's easy to find the recipes we use.

Under the Cookies tab, I flipped to page 294 (yum!). Next page was 298. Good cookies there, too, but we want Oatmeal Crispies. Hmmm... what happened to page 296? Oh-oh. It's stuck.

Then I remembered. The last time we made Oatmeal Crispies, Peanut cracked the egg at the edge of the table and drizzled egg white across the page on the way to the bowl.

A high school Home Ec lesson flashed into my mind. Egg is a binder. Ooops. There goes a treasured family recipe.

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**2001 Drinking Water Quality Report**  
(Consumer Confidence Report)  
(915) 893-3841  
Callahan County Water Supply Corporation

**Special Notice for the Elderly, Infants, Cancer Patients, people with HIV/AIDS or other immune problems:**

Some people may be more vulnerable to contaminants in drinking water than the general population. Immuno-compromised persons such as persons with cancer undergoing chemotherapy, person who have undergone organ transplants, people with HIV/AIDS or other immune system disorders, some elderly, and infants can be particularly at risk from infections. These people should seek advice about drinking water from their health care providers. EPA/Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) guidelines on appropriate means to lessen the risk of infection by Cryptosporidium and other microbial contaminants are available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline (800-426-4791).

**Our Drinking Water Meets or Exceeds All Federal (EPA) Drinking Water Requirements**

This report is a summary of the quality of the water we provide our customers. The analysis was made by using the date from the most recent U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) required tests and is presented in the attached pages. We hope this information helps you become more knowledgeable about what's in your drinking water.

**En Espanol**

Este reporte incluye informacion importante sobre el agua para tomar. Si tiene preguntas o discusiones sobre este reporte en espanol, favor de llamar al tel. (915) 893-3841 par hablar con una persona bilingue en espanol.

Where do we get our drinking water?

Our drinking water is obtained from Surface water sources. It comes from the following Lake/River/Reservoir/Aquifer. Abilene. TNRCC will be reviewing all of Texas' drinking water sources. The source water assessment process will be completed within three years. It is important to protect your drinking water by protecting your water source.

**All drinking water may contain contaminants**

When drinking water meets federal standards there may not be any health based benefits to purchasing bottled water or point of use devices.

Drinking water, including bottled water, may reasonably be expected to contain at least small amounts of some contaminants. The presence of contaminants does not necessarily indicate that water poses a health risk. More information about contaminants and potential health effects can be ob-



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tained by calling the Environmental Protection Agency's Safe Drinking Water Hotline (800-426-4791).

**About the following report**  
The report that follows lists all of the federally regulated or monitored constituents which have been found in the city's drinking water. U.S. EPA requires water system to test up to 97 constituents.

**Secondary Constituents**  
Many constituents (such as calcium, sodium, or iron) which are often found in drinking water, can cause taste, color and odor problems. The taste and odor constituents are called secondary constituents and are regulated by the State of Texas, not EPA. These constituents are not causes for health concerns. Therefore, secondaries are not

required to be reported in this document by they may greatly affect the appearance and taste of your water.

**Public Participation opportunities**  
Date: 4th Monday of each month.  
Time: 7:00 P.M.  
Location: 218 North Access Road, Clyde, Texas  
Phone Number: (915) 893-3841

**Definitions**  
**Maximum Contaminant Level (MCL)** The highest permissible level of a contaminant in drinking water. MCLs are set as close to the MCLGs as feasible using the best available treatment technology.  
**Maximum Contaminant Level Goal (MCLG)** The level of contaminant in drinking water below which there is no known

or expected health risk. MCLGs allow for a margin of safety.

**Treatment Technique (TT)** A required process intended to reduce the level of a contaminant in drinking water.

**Action Level (AL)** The concentration of a contaminant which, if exceeded, triggers treatment or other requirements which a water system must follow.

**NTU** - Nephelometric Turbidity Units.

**MFL** - million fibers per liter (a measure of asbestos)

**pCi/l** - picocuries per liter (a measure of radioactivity)

**ppm** - parts per million or micrograms per liter (mg/l).

**ppb** - parts per billion or micrograms per liter (ug/l).

**ppt** - parts per trillion or nanograms per liter.

**ppq** - parts per quadrillion, or picograms per liter.

**Inorganics**

Year	Constituent	Highest Level at Any Sampling Point	Range of Detected Levels	MCL	MCLG	Unit of Measure	Source of Constituent
2001	Arsenic	6.2	2.2000-6.2000	50	0	ppb	Erosion of natural deposits; Runoff from orchards; Runoff from glass and electronics production wastes.
2001	Barium	0.198	0.1640-0.1980	2	2	ppm	Discharge of drilling wastes; Discharge from metal refineries; Erosion of natural deposits.
2001	Fluoride	0.2	0.2000-0.2000	4	4	ppm	Erosion of natural deposits; Water additive which promotes strong teeth; Discharge from fertilizer and aluminum factories.
2001	Nitrate	0.63	0.0400-0.6300	10	10	ppm	Runoff from fertilizer use; Leaching from septic tanks, sewage; Erosion of natural deposits.
2001	Selenium	20.3	6.2000-20.3000	50	50	ppb	Discharge from petroleum and metal refineries; Erosion of natural deposits; Discharge from mines.
2001	Sodium	271	37.6000-271.000	NA	NA	ppm	Erosion of natural deposits; By-product of oil field activity.

NA = MCL not applicable - not regulated. Special Monitoring Requirement.

**Organics**

NOT TESTED FOR OR NOT DETECTED

**Disinfection By-Products**

NOT TESTED FOR OR NOT DETECTED

**Unregulated Contaminants**

Year	Constituent	Average of All Sampling Points	Range of Detected Levels	Unit of Measure	Reason for Monitoring
2001-2001	Chloroform	37	34.5000-39.5000	ppb	Unregulated contaminant monitoring helps EPA to determine where certain contaminants occur and whether it needs to regulate those contaminants
2001-2001	Bromoform	76.85	3.7000-150.0000	ppb	Unregulated contaminant monitoring helps EPA to determine where certain contaminants occur and whether it needs to regulate those contaminants
2001-2001	Bromodichloromethane	78	45.5000-110.500	ppb	Unregulated contaminant monitoring helps EPA to determine where certain contaminants occur and whether it needs to regulate those contaminants
2001-2001	Chlorodibromomethane	91	32.0000-150.0000	ppb	Unregulated contaminant monitoring helps EPA to determine where certain contaminants occur and whether it needs to regulate those contaminants

**Turbidity**

Turbidity has no health effects. However, turbidity can interfere with disinfection and provide a medium for microbial growth. Turbidity may indicate the presence of disease-causing organisms. These organisms include bacteria, viruses, and parasites that can cause symptoms such as nausea, cramps, diarrhea and associated headaches.

Year	Constituent	Highest Single Measurement	Lowest Monthly % of Samples Meeting Limits	Turbidity Limits	Unit of Measure	Source of Constituent
2001	Turbidity	0.44 *	0.04-0.44	0.5	NTU	Soil runoff.

\* TURBIDITY DATA NOT FURNISHED TO TNRCC. WATER SYSTEM MUST COMPLETE THIS SECTION.

**Lead and Copper**

Year	Constituent	The 90th Percentile	Number of Sites Exceeding Action Level	Action Level	Unit of Measure	Source of Constituent
2001	Copper	0.5460	0	1.3	ppm	Corrosion of household plumbing systems; Erosion of natural deposits; Leaching from wood preservatives.
2001	Lead	4.6000	0	15	ppb	Corrosion of household plumbing systems; Erosion of natural deposits.

**Total Coliform** NOT DETECTED

**Fecal Coliform** NOT DETECTED

**Required Additional Health Information for Arsenic**

The maximum contaminant level (MCL) for arsenic will be decreasing from 0.05 mg/l (CCR-50 ppb) to 0.01 mg/l (CCR-10 ppb) effective January 23, 2006. EPA and States are still discussing the level. Until these issues are worked out, TNRCC is providing the following health effects language according to new Consumer

Confidence Report (CCR) reporting. Because the highest reported arsenic level on this report is between 5 ppb and 10 ppb, this information is required by EPA:

"While your drinking water meets EPA's standard for arsenic, it does contain low levels of arsenic. EPA's standard balances the current understanding of

arsenic's possible health effects against the costs of removing arsenic from drinking water. EPA continues to research the health effects of low levels of arsenic, which is a mineral known to cause cancer in humans at high concentrations and is linked to other health effects such as skin damage and circulatory problems."

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**2002 COLEMAN PRCA RODEO**  
Coleman's 65th Annual PRCA Rodeo - Nightly performances only at 6:00 P.M. on Thursday, June 27th and 8:00 P.M. on Friday, June 28th and Saturday, June 29th, 2002.  
PLACE - The Coleman Rodeo Association owns 33 acres of land that adjoins the city limits of Coleman on the south. This land and facilities are used for the Rodeo, Livestock Show and other related events. This is one of the finest outdoor facilities in the Southwest. It seats 6,000 people and has free parking adjoining the dust-free arena.  
The Coleman Rodeo is strictly professional and always has been. This means that the Professional Rodeo Cow boys Association and the Women's Professional Rodeo Association approve it. This insures that some of the top cowboys and cowgirls in the nation will be competing in the Coleman Rodeo for some \$11,000.00 added prize money. Over 400 contestants are expected this year!  
The queen for the 2002 Rodeo is Kathleen Hargett, daughter of Jim and Mary Hargett.  
Mack Altzer's BAD COMPANY RODEO from Del Rio will furnish stock.  
The Rodeo events this year are Bareback and Saddle Bronc Riding, Calf Roping, Steer Wrestling, Women's Barrel Race, Woman's Breakaway Roping, Bull Riding, Single Steer Roping and Team Roping.  
Thursday night June 27th at 6:00 P.M. is BULL RIDING NIGHT! A special event called BULLS, BABES AND BAD COMPANY starts early at 6:00 P.M. It features approximately 40 bull riders with a \$500 bonus going to the top-scoring bull rider. Also featured will be Women's Barrel Racing and Women's Breakaway Roping.  
This year we will hold Kids Muttin Bustin which will start the Rodeo at 7:30 P.M. along with the Goat Scramble which will be later in the Rodeo.  
The Rodeo Dance will be held at the Rodeo Dance Pavilion each night starting when the Rodeo end. The Kelly Spinks Band from Brownwood, Texas will provide the music this year on Friday and Saturday nights.