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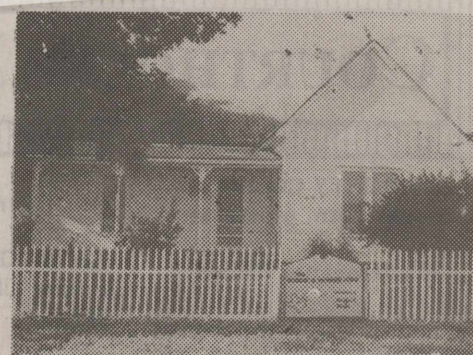
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## DOWN HOME

**EDITOR'S NOTE:** Anne Rone and her granddaughter, Jennifer Payne (age 12), wrote the following poem and wanted to share it with the public. Keep in mind they are referring to the building of a road connecting their property at Cross Plains, or as Anne said in the note she attached, "Watching for the signs." Anne's husband, Tommy, is the son of the late Frank and Frances Rone. Vanda Anderson Creech

"A Visit to Cross Plains"

By Anne Rone and Jennifer Payne

Leave real early;  
Get there soon;  
Get unpacked before the moon.

You hear a noise in the brush,  
and your blood begins to rush.  
Flash your light in the trees;  
maybe it's only rustling leaves.

Get your gun; aim it high;  
Shoot the target in the eye.

Ride the 4-wheeler hard and fast;  
Take the long trail;  
Make it last.

See the sign along the way;  
Miss it and you'll stay the day.

Clear the roads;  
Make them smooth;  
So you can set your ride on cruise.

Build a fire--warm and high--  
until it reaches to the sky.  
Sit up close; talk and laugh;  
See who know about the path.

Being outdoors is really fine;  
You don't have to hurry;  
Or see the time.

Get to bed early;  
Get lots of rest;  
The work load is heavy so be  
your best.

Clean the camp well;  
Pack all your gear;  
We'll be back before next year.

You're on the road;  
It's really rough;  
The wind is wild and that's just  
tough.

You made it home safely;  
Your stuff is intact;  
All you have to do is get  
unpacked.

The memories are pleasant;  
The stories were fun;  
We'll be back soon to play in the  
sun.

## Social Security Representative Schedule Announced

A Social Security Administration representative will be in Eastland at the Courthouse (1st Floor) on Tuesdays at 9:30 a.m. July 23, August 27 and September 24.

You can call Social Security toll-free any weekday from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. at 1-800-772-1213.

## Dairy Queen to Salute The Red, White, and Blue

In a show of patriotism and gratitude for our nation's military and veterans the Dairy Queen restaurant, located at Highway 36 and 279 in Cross Plains, is proclaiming Saturday, July 6, as "American Legion/Military Day". On that day, members of the American Legion Family, military personnel and veterans showing proper membership of military identification cards will receive a FREE 5-ounce sundae. The special event also provides an opportunity to support America's hospitalized kids.

"We wanted to say 'thank you' to those who have made and continue to make tremendous sacrifices for our country," says Doris Richeson, owner. "At the same time, we wanted to raise money for our charity of choice, Children's Miracle Network (CMN)."

The one day event is just one element in the Dairy Queen system's Red, White and Blue promotion that runs throughout the month of July. During the promotion the Dairy Queen system is partnering with the American Legion Family to celebrate America, honor our nation's military and veterans, and raise \$1 million for Children's Miracle

Network.

The promotion is anchored by the introduction of the limited time All-American Blizzard Flavor Treat, featuring red, white and blue M&M candies. As a related activity, paper Miracle flag icons and red, white and blue antenna toppers will be sold for a \$1 donation. Spare change will also be collected for Children's Miracle Network. All monies collected will be donated to the local Children's Miracle Network Hospital--Hendrick Medical Center.

International Dairy Queen, headquartered in Minneapolis, Minnesota, develops, licenses and services a system of more than 5,700 Dairy Queen restaurants in the United States, Canada and other foreign countries, offering frozen dairy desserts, hamburgers, hotdogs and beverages.

Children's Miracle Network is a non-profit organization dedicated to helping kids by raising funds and awareness for 170 children's hospitals throughout North America. The Dairy Queen system has been a national sponsor of CMN since 1984, raising more than \$44 million during that time.

## Jimmie Easter appointed Callahan Divide SWCD Director

Jimmie Easter of Putnam, Texas, was appointed to fill the unexpired term of Kenneth George on the Callahan Divide Soil and Water Conservation District (SWCD) Board of Directors. Mr. Easter, whose appointment was approved by the Texas State Soil and Water Conservation Board (TSSWCB) will serve as Director of Zone 4 of the district until the next regular election for that subdivision of the SWCD.

The purpose of the Callahan Divide SWCD is to promote sound soil and water conservation programs on agricultural lands within the district. In addition, the district serves as a voice for farmers, ranchers, and local community entities on conservation matters. The district's office is co-located with the Natural Resources Conservation Service office in Baird.

The Board of Directors coordinates the conservation efforts of various local, state, and federal

agencies and other organizations, and has authority to enter into working agreements with these governmental agencies and private concerns to carry out its purpose.

The five members serving on the District Board of Directors are responsible for district policies and procedures for carrying out the district program within the framework of the Texas Soil Conservation District Law.

In Texas there are 216 soil and water conservation districts. Each is a legal subdivision of state government organized by local agricultural landowners with the assistance of the Texas State Soil and Water Conservation Board. Unlike most other legal subdivisions of state government, SWCD's do not have the powers of taxation or eminent domain. All conservation programs managed by the district are of a voluntary nature to the landowner or operator or other potential users of the SWCD's programs.

## DQ to Raffle Off Pat Green Concert Tickets for CMN

Dairy Queen recently hosted a Children's Miracle Network golf tournament at Rolling Oaks Golf Club and successfully raised approximately \$3,000.

Dairy Queen has a couple of country and western singer, Pat Green, concert tickets they would like to raffle off. The tickets may be purchased at the local Dairy Queen for \$1 each or 6 for \$5. The drawing will be held Tuesday, July 2, at the Dairy Queen

during lunch. You do not have to be present to win.

Pat Green is an up and coming artist who is very popular in this area. He will be performing in Abilene on July 3rd so go buy your chances and help the Children's Miracle Network at the same time.

Children's Miracle Network is a worthy cause that benefits many area children.

## New Rates New Stamps No Problem at Post Office

With new postage rates taking effect on June 30, it's easier than ever for customers to get the postage stamps they'll need.

The Postal Service has printed and distributed billions of postage stamps for the new 37-cent rate for mailing a First-Class letter. And customers don't have to leave their homes or offices to get them. "Families are busier than ever," said Cross Plains Postmaster Amanda Waggoner. "So we've made it as convenient as possible for them to keep in touch through the mail."

New 37-cent First-Class Mail stamps are available now. A new 3-cent "Star" stamp is also available, to add to any 34-cent stamps customers may still have on hand.

The new postage stamps are available online through The Postal Store at www.usps.com. The Postal Store offers special rate change combo packs with both 37-cent and 3-cent stamps and a handy rate card. Stamps can be conveniently ordered by phone by calling 1-800-STAMP24. You can also order stamps by mail--just ask your carrier for an order form.

There's no need for an extra stop for those running errands--stamps are available at many ATMs and retail businesses such as banks, supermarkets, convenience stores and drug stores.

"And of course, we have all the stamps customers will need here at the Cross Plains Post Office," said Postmaster Waggoner, "and in conveniently located stamp vending machines."

There's also the new "Heroes of 2001" stamp, which sells for 45 cents. The Heroes stamp meets the First-Class letter rate and also generates funds to provide assistance to families of emergency relief personnel killed or permanently disabled in the line of duty in connection with the terrorist attacks of September 11, 2001.

Complete rate and service fee information changes take effect on June and are available at www.usps.com/ratecase and at the Cross Plains Post Office.

## SBA Disaster Loan Deadline Approaching

FORT WORTH, TX -- Time is running out for those who still have not filed for low-interest, long-term disaster recovery loans from the U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA). July 8, 2002 is the deadline for homeowners, renters and businesses in Callahan, Eastland, Haskell, Jones, Shackelford, Stephens, Taylor, and Throckmorton Counties in Texas. The damages were caused by excessive rain, flash flooding, and hail that occurred on April 25, 2002.

Loan applications can be mailed to: U.S. Small Business Administration, 4400 Amon Carter Blvd., Suite 102, Fort Worth, Texas 76155. Anyone with questions regarding their applications can also call SBA at 1-800-366-6303 or TDD 817-267-4688 for the hearing impaired.

The loans are available to cover

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## Second Annual Fourth of July Celebration

The City of Cross Plains would like to invite you to the 2nd Annual 4th of July Celebration. The event will be held on the backside of Treadway Park, just off Highway 36.

This year's activities will include gospel singing from local talent. A number of gifted individuals and groups have signed up to participate in the singing that will begin at 5:30 p.m.

A hotdog supper will follow beginning at 6 p.m. Hotdogs, cold drinks and watermelon will be provided at no charge.

A fireworks display will begin at dark. The display will be bigger and better, as more fireworks have been purchased.

Please bring your lawn chairs and make plans to celebrate the 4th of July in your home town!

## Former Resident Writes of Military Experiences

**EDITOR'S NOTE:** The below article is an excerpt from a short story written by Adam K. Anderson, a native of Cross Plains, and Marine combat correspondent serving aboard Marine Corps Air Station New River, N.C. He is the son of Andy and Kathy Anderson of Cross Plains. Vanda Anderson Creech

I was tasked early last week to go to sea for a period of 24 hours. As I had never been on ship before, or flown in a helicopter, I found this to be the exact experience I had longed for during my past four years in the Marine Corps. My bags were packed before the orders were approved.

I was covering an exercise for the base paper and it was suggested that I write two articles; one detailing the mission of a squadron from the air station I'm based at, and one regarding a Marine at sea for his first time. I originally planned to find a young Marine to write about, but decided there wasn't time to get all the information needed to compile a good point-of-view article. So, for the first time, I decided to write in the first-person.

Being in a new environment can be stressful and often times embarrassing, especially when dealing with such strong traditions as those pertaining to the Marine Corps and Navy. I decided to spare no expense and charge forth with a smile.

I'm hoping this writing may provide the reader with an inside glance at life aboard a naval vessel. Maybe I can even provide the reader with a little humor. For now, it's off to USS Iwo Jima (LHD-7).

1645 (4:45 p.m.)--I arrive at the Station Operations building ready for all that is to come but unsure of what the next day will hold. It's only a 30-minute wait for the helicopter but the time stretches as my excitement grows.

1715 (5:15 p.m.)--I'm given a cranial and something called a "float coat" and shuttled to the rear of a CH-46E Sea Knight helicopter. As I wade through the hot breath of the helicopter and the hacking of the blades above me, I marvel at the mechanics and engineering that make helicopters work.

I take my seat near our Marine officer and two sailors.

A few minutes later we lift off. Into the sky we rise and on past the coast of Eastern North Carolina we fly. The world is a much more beautiful place from here.

Everything seems to run together and the colors blend from the forests, rivers and inlets to the beaches. I realize that this is an experience that, when combined with others like it, will make for a wonderful career. Everyone should be so lucky as to sit in the seat I now occupy.

1740 (5:40 p.m.)--A massive vessel appears below us. My gut wrenches as I think about what the landing will feel like. I do my best to look seasoned and hike my distress. I sneak in a quick prayer for a safe landing.

1745 (5:45 p.m.)--Landing goes off without a problem. Myself and the three other passengers are hurried off the Sea Knight and onto the ship. Amidst the hurried actions of the combat cargo Marines, I find out the officer who flew in with me knows my point of contact. I follow him through the passageways of the ship. We weave in and out through the maze and I'm lost before we even begin.

We finally make it to the ready room and I meet with Capt. Scott Atwood, HML/A-269 UH-1N Huey and AH-1W Super Cobra pilot and native of Danville, Illinois. Captain Atwood sets me up with Lance Cpl. Robert Capwell, H/MLA-269 embark chief and native of Plains, Pennsylvania. Capwell has been on the ship since the day prior. It's his first time at sea too, but he knows where the mess deck is and my stomach follows him.

1755 (5:55 p.m.)--Capwell leaves me to eat among the hundred or so other Marines and Sail-

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## COURTHOUSE NEWS

COUNTY COURT  
Roger Corn, presiding

### Misdemeanor Filings

Carlton L. Dew, possession of marijuana.  
Keith D. Moore, theft of property by check.  
Augustine M. Leal, theft of property by check.  
Jacob Herrick, theft of property by check.

### Misdemeanor Minutes

Andre Allen, Jr., order extending probation granted.  
Clint D. Adams, motion to dismiss to theft of property by check granted, paid restitution.  
Clinton E. Thetford, motion to dismiss motion to revoke probation granted.

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Sunday Evening Worship.....6:00 P.M.  
Bill Armstrong - Pastor

## OBITUARIES

### Edgar "E.E." Earl McNutt

Edgar "E.E." Earl McNutt, age 69, of Thunderbird Bay, died Monday, June 17, 2002, at Brownwood Regional Medical Center.

Services were held at 10 a.m. Thursday, June 20, 2002, at Heartland Funeral Home Chapel with the Rev. Bill Dodd officiating. Interment followed at Pleasant Valley Cemetery.

He was born July 3, 1932 in Pecan Gap, Texas, the son of the late Alvin Ray and Hazel Marie Shultz McNutt. He married Rosa Pierce in Cross Plains on March 25, 1951. He was self-employed and a Baptist. He had lived at Thunderbird Bay for the past 22 years.

Survivors include his wife of 51 years, Rosa McNutt of Lake Brownwood; a son and daughter-in-law, Ronney and Cindy McNutt of Potosi; two daughters, Karan Thome and husband, David, of Thunderbird Bay, and Judy Fuller of Irving; two brothers, Glenn McNutt and wife, Lee, of Brazoria, and Jimmy McNutt of Cross Plains; two sisters, Joan Apple and husband, James, of Cross Plains, and Mary Lou Ashcraft of Little River; 7 grandchildren, Don McNutt and Russchell Foster, both of Merkel, Candi Ledbetter of Oak Harbor, WA, Crystal McNutt of Dallas, Jonathan Fuller of Sanger, Stephanie McNutt of Potosi, and Sabrina Thome of San Antonio; 11 nieces and nephews.

### Floyd J. Botts

Mr. Floyd J. Botts, 80, of Lake Brownwood, passed away on Tuesday, June 18, 2002, at his home.

Services will be held at 10 a.m. Friday, June 21, in First Baptist Church in Rising Star with Dick Williams and Bruce Stovall officiating. Burial will follow in Rising Star Cemetery with Military Honors. Higginbotham Funeral Home is in charge of the arrangements.

Floyd was born on January 22, 1922 in Hawley to William Jefferson and Mary Ann (Vandivere) Botts. He served in the U.S. Army during WWII where he was awarded several medals, including a Purple Heart. He married Elsie McComack on September 14, 1989, in Hamlin. Mr. Botts was a member of the American Legion in Rising Star, where he served as Vice Com. for 7 years. He was also a member of the DAV and the Calvary Baptist Church in Cisco.

Survivors include his wife, Elsie Botts of Lake Brownwood; three sons, Russell Botts and wife, Ginger of Rising Star, Johnny Botts of Cisco, Stephen Botts of Rising Star; three daughters, Shirlene Campbell of Brownwood, Jeanette Mitchell and husband, Chris of Abilene, Judy Fink and husband, Gary of Cisco; four stepsons, Andy McComack and wife, Clara of Abilene, Richard McComack and wife, Linda of Alvarado, Michael McComack of Baltimore, MD, Jacky McComack and wife, Kimberly of Chicago, IL; two stepdaughters, Marie Mattox and husband, Leroy of Richland Hills, Bell Cogsdil and husband, Bill of League City; one brother, Aldon Botts of Salina, KS; one sister, Nola Mirop of Abilene; four grandchildren; 15 step-grandchildren; three great-grandchildren; 16 step-great-grandchildren; and numerous nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his first wife, Arlene Botts and a son, Michael Glen Botts.

### Elsie Mae Porter

Elsie Mae Porter, 89, of Iowa Park, passed away Thursday, June 20, 2002, in the Integrated Health Services in Iowa Park.

Services were held at 2 p.m. Saturday, June 22, 2002, at the Higginbotham Chapel with Bob Pipes officiating. Burial was in the Burkett Cemetery with Higginbotham Funeral Home of Cross Plains in charge of the arrangements.

Elsie was born August 27, 1912 in Burkett to Arch B. Harris and Lou Colvin Harris. She married Ben U. Porter in Burkett in 1932. Elsie spent most of her life in the Cross Plains, Burkett area until she went into the nursing home in Iowa Park. She was involved in Bible Study at the nursing home and went to Iowa Park Church of Christ.

She really enjoyed quilting, and giving them to family members, as well as donating them to various organizations to use as fund-raisers. She enjoyed having her grandchildren visit with her during the summer and was always making homemade treats for the them, as well as Barbie doll clothes for the girls.

She is survived by her two daughters, Bonnie Illingworth and husband, Bob of Iowa Park, and Betty Baxter and husband, Harold of Cross Plains; two sons, W.B. Porter of Odessa; Bill Porter and wife, Judy of Cross Plains; a brother, A.B. Harris, Jr. of McCamey; two sisters, Lorene Gray of Coleman; and Erma Tomlinson of Clarendon; 9 grandchildren, 21 great-grandchildren and 2 great-great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents, husband, Ben, son, Tommy, and sister, Virgie.

### Ralph Huntington

Ralph Huntington, 78, of Canyon passed away Wednesday, June 19, 2002, at Amarillo.

Services were held at 11 a.m. Monday, June 24, in Brooks Chapel with Deacon Gabe Rivas officiating. Brooks Funeral Directors of Canyon and Happy were in charge of arrangements.

Ralph was born March 11, 1924 in Pioneer, Texas to Hubert and Nettie Mae Harris Huntington. He graduated from Pioneer High School. He married Mary Tzouanakis in Greencastle, Indiana in 1946. He received his Bachelor of Science degree in Physical Education from Abilene Christian College in 1947. Mr. Huntington served in the U.S. Navy. He was a member of the Church of Christ. After college he coached football at Hale Center, Van Horn, Wilson and Petersburg. Later he went into the Crop Hail Insurance adjusting business.

Survivors include his wife, Mary Huntington of Canyon; three daughters, Kathy Stevens and husband, David of Keller, Nancy Huntington and Betsy Huntington, both of Canyon; two sons, Jerry Huntington of Amarillo and Stephen Huntington of Barcelona, Spain; a sister, Zilla Cline and husband, Gary of Hooker, Oklahoma; two grandchildren, Lynda Stockton and husband, Glen of Frisco, Texas and Jono Huntington of Santa Fe, New Mexico.

Memorials may be sent to the American Heart Association c/o Virginia Cotton, 1403 Hillcrest, Canyon, Texas 79015 and/or Canyon Area Library, 1301 3rd Avenue, Canyon, Texas 79015.

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## 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

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4. Why is there death & suffering?
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.
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12. A secular world - Part 1 & Part 2.

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## COTTONWOOD NEWS

BY WALLACE BENNETT

### Flop Eared Militia Occupied Historic Camp Salmon Near Putnam

Bryan Bennett and myself had the good fortune of attending the annual meeting of the Callahan County Historical Commission a few nights ago held at the pavilion of the Belle Plain Cemetery. Allan Wright, our Callahan County District Attorney, chaired the meeting which was attended by folks from Eula, Denton, Dudley, Baird, and Clyde; a friendly and impressive group of people, very interested in, and knowledgeable about the history of Callahan County; but, all too few in number. This County organization, all volunteers, works hard to preserve the knowledge, sites and memorabilia of Callahan's rich history. The Commission is interested in gaining more active volunteers and participants in the historiography of the County. So, please feel free to join as Bryan and I did.

Mr. Wright led a discussion of some of the sites and memorabilia of Callahan. I was glad to learn about a Civil War camp site near Putnam on the East Fork Prong of Hubbard Creek, and near what is now the Eastland-Callahan County lines.

It was originally named Camp Salmon after its commanding officer, and renamed Camp McCord after the Regimental Commander after Capt. Salmon reigned. It was established when in 1861 the U.S. Cavalry withdrew its Federal troops from Ft. Chadbourne and Ft. Phantom Hill and left the frontier settlements of Texas vulnerable to increased Indian raids.

Camp Salmon was manned by volunteers of the Texas Mounted Rifles, nicknamed the "Flop Eared Militia." The men came from what was then organized as Earth, Bosque, Stephens and Eastland Counties.

Historical documents reveal that Texas Mounted volunteers participated in at least six skirmishes and engagements with Indians near East and West Caddo Peaks. In 1863 The Texas Legislature reorganized and the frontier regiments were placed under the Command of the Confederate States of America. For the rest of the story, a tragic end of Camp McCord, ask me the next time you see me.

Mr. Wright also mentioned other historical sites and items of memorabilia that reveal the occupation and/or presence in the Callahan County region by Spanish forces, Mexican troops and various Indian tribes. "There are a wealth of historical sites and memorabilia" he said, and mentioned remains of old Spanish mines and smelters, Spanish camp sites, and Indian camp grounds, Spanish medallions, swords, helmets, also ancient stone circles.

Wright echoed a statement Jack Scott said to me several years ago. "The Cottonwood area had the most unique and colorful history of any place in Callahan County."

(Please remember, I can't get it into print if I don't know it, so, please report personal and news items to Wallace Bennett (254)725-7474.)

## QUIPS, CLIPS & COMMENTS

BY KAY MOSLEY

Note: When out weeding your garden and admiring your plants and flowers, remember if you are a senior citizen to cover your head with a cap, hat or bonnet. This is the time of year when it generally gets pretty hot, and you don't want to get heat stroke.

### "Naps, Produce and Birds" Secondary Title: "A Hodgepodge"

Have you ever tried to take a nap and write a column at the same time? Take it from me, it just doesn't work out at all.

I noticed the other day at the grocery store that Eva has Jic'ama in the produce section again this year. I've really been enjoying it, too. It's so succulent and refreshing also. It's good in salads, either fruit or vegetable, it is very versatile. It's also just delicious chilled, sliced and served with or without a dip, either individually or with other crudites, such as carrots, broccoli, cauliflower, cucum-

bers, zucchini, celery, fennel, radishes, etc. Others have told me that it is also very good cooked similar to a potato and used in soups, stews, casseroles, etc. However, I have not cooked Jic'ama or eaten any that has been cooked, only the raw. Jic'ama contains absolutely no fat or calories and is an excellent source of fiber.

A beautiful cardinal visited in my tree a couple of days ago. It sang so sweetly it brought tears to my eyes. There's a lovely little yellow finch that dines at our bird feeders some days. He's been feeding here for the past three years.

Well, what can I say. My nap is over and done with, but I still must finish this column. Why is it that sleep in an afternoon nap seems so much sweeter than sleeping at night? I've not yet been able to figure out the answer to that question! See ya' next column.

## PIONEER NEWS

The Quilting Ladies had a good turn out for quilting on Tuesday. We finished Lou's "Lone Star". It was so beautiful. Now, we will be working on Olena's "Patriotic" quilt. This will be the last one since we will be taking a holiday for the rest of the summer. We will come back the first of September. We will be, also, thinking about working on our October Quilt Show during the summer.

Do not forget there will be dominos played at the community center this Thursday. Come on out and join us. There will be fun and food.

Paul and Juanita Harlow from Lubbock have been visiting Jean Fore and Vi Harlow. They have been here for several days and the girls were thankful to have them. Charlene Chesshir had 1.3

inches of rain during the high winds that hit about 12:30 a.m. Sunday morning. Everything at the Chesshir's and Dallas' homes seem quit after the hubbub of the week before Jodi's wedding.

The Huttons, also had over an inch of rain and wind Sunday morning. The high wind blew the new mowed hay all across the hay field.

The community was very thankful for the rain we received. We are also thankful that the temperature has stayed in the 90's. We are getting dry again, so let us all pray for the rain to come again soon.

Words of Wisdom: In the old days a fool and his money were soon parted. Now it happens to everyone.

## LIBRARY NOTES

JUNE 17-21

"Check it out" with the next "Meet the Author" series. We will have Richard Mack to review his books. More information will follow but mark your calendar for July 16. You will miss the best yet - so come and join us.

Books	79
Summer Readers	196
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>275</b>

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Charles Rodenberger- books  
Charlene Burkett - money

## Citizens EMS Seeks Subsidy Increase from Commissioners

Citizens Emergency Medical Service personnel went before the Callahan County Commissioners Monday, June 24 seeking an increase in the County's portion of funding the ambulance service.

Citizens EMS representatives Ronnie Broadus and Tom Ruffield met with the Commissioners' Court during the public comment portion of the Commissioners' regular monthly meeting held in the County Courthouse in Baird.

The Citizens EMS representatives presented the Commissioners with a letter from the Citizens EMS Board of Directors requesting a 22 percent increase in the monthly subsidy.

According to the Citizens EMS, the current three-year contract between Citizens EMS and the cities of Baird and Clyde and Callahan County will expire on September 30, 2002.

According to the Citizens EMS Board, the current subsidy of \$1,750 per month for each of the three entities is currently funding only 29 percent of the ambulance service's total expenses, which is down from the 36 percent at the beginning of the contract period three years ago.

"Due to continual rising of operating expenses and the decrease in payments from Medicare and insurance companies, we are asking for an increase of approximately 22 percent or \$390 per month, per entity, bringing the total to \$2,140 per month, per entity. This will bring us back up to the 36 percent range," according to the letter.

"We are also requesting a five percent increase in subsidy at the beginning of fiscal years 2004 and 2005. This will bring the monthly fees to \$2,247 for FY 2004 and \$2,360 for FY 2005. This will keep us at or near the 36 percent range over the three-year contract. At the end of the three-year contract we will then review the subsidy again," the letter from the Board of Directors stated.

"Those increases will aid Citizens EMS in providing continued Quality Service to the citizens of Callahan County," the letter concluded.

The Citizens EMS representatives also presented a second letter to the Commissioners' Court seeking the passage of an ordinance naming the Citizens EMS as the sole provider in their running area, which does not include the Cross Plains area which is served by a volunteer ambulance service.

"So that Citizens EMS can be the sole provider of service in our running area (not including Cross Plains area) we are asking that a county ordinance be passed so that it would keep the possibility of other surrounding services taking calls out of our area without the permission of Citizens EMS (i.e. Mutual Aid Help). This will keep the call local and will help also to generate revenue for our service as well as even Cross Plains. Please consider this ordinance and thank you in advance for your

help in this matter," the letter stated.

The Citizens EMS representatives also presented the Commissioners' Court with an activity report for May 2002 for the ambulance service. According to the May report, Citizens EMS served 20 patients in Clyde, 13 in Baird and 23 patients in Callahan County during the month.

Callahan County Judge Roger Corn said the Citizens EMS proposal will be placed on the July Commissioners' Court agenda for action.

Other items brought before the Commissioners' Court included: —Commissioners discussed the construction of a radio tower in the southeast portion of Callahan County near the Cross Plains community.

Judge Corn stated the County's current radio towers located in Cottonwood and Baird have seen large rental increases this year. The County's radio tower near Cottonwood in which the County leases the tower and land, has increased from \$375 per month to \$550 per month. Although Callahan County owns the tower located west of Baird, the County has seen an increase of \$50 per month to \$200 per month for lease on the land the tower sits on.

Judge Corn said an individual in Cross Plains is willing to donate approximately two acres of land for the erection of a radio tower there to cover the entire County. According to Texas Communications, the proposed tower site in Cross Plains is one of the best places to cover the entire County with radio transmissions. Judge Corn said the new tower location would cover more area of the County than the current towers locations.

County Commissioners took no action on the item, however the item will be placed on the July Commissioners' Court meeting agenda for further action.

—Commissioners approved a resolution supporting the selection of Board Members to the West Central Texas Regional Housing Finance Corporation.

The Corporation provides first time home buyers a loan program for low and moderate income families throughout the region served by the West Central Texas Council of Governments. The Housing Finance Corporation is one of the non-profit corporations managed by the Council of Governments for the purpose of making single family housing more affordable and attainable within the counties served by the Council of Governments.

—Commissioners voted to change the minutes from the May Commissioners' Court meeting to read that fireworks were not prohibited, however County residents are not allowed to ignite fireworks on County Roads or County right-of-ways. Fireworks prohibited in unincorporated areas of the County.

—Commissioners voted to pay all approved bills and voted to adjourn the meeting.

### Seminar to address the impact of Farm Bill on West Texas agriculture

With the Farm Bill being a month old and new questions arising about its impact on our area, two informational seminars will be held in Taylor County Tuesday, July 2, 2002, to address the impact of the Farm Bill on West Texas Agriculture. Dr. Jason Johnson, Texas Cooperative Extension Economist, will be presenting the information as it relates to our area producers.

The first seminar will be held at Heritage Hall, 111 Taylor St., Merkel, beginning at 7:30 AM. The second session will be held at the Taylor County Extension

Office, which is located on the grounds of the Taylor County Expo Center in Abilene, beginning at 7:00 PM. Both sessions are being sponsored by the Agriculture Committee of the Taylor County Extension Office. For additional information concerning these seminars, contact the Taylor County Extension Office at 915-672-6048.

Individuals with disabilities who require auxiliary aid or accommodation are asked to contact the Taylor County Extension Office one week in advance of the program.

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## BREAKTHRU

By Bob Pipes  
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They call it "body marking" and "skin games" -- but I remember it simply as tattooing. It's an ancient practice that became popular with the American sailor during World War II, with tattoos of anchors, pinups and "Mother" mottoes. They were replaced in the early seventies by butterflies, rosebuds, and the Age of Aquarius. Singers like Grace Slick and Janis Joplin -- and many other people -- all got tattooed. The cost ranged from five thousand to fifty thousand dollars!

Why are people willing to turn their bodies into living canvases? I suspect the reasons have changed from what they were in World War II. To some it's a sign of rebellion, to some it's an attempt to prove manhood. To others, like thirty-three year old Amy Hill, it's for identity. She said: "I needed identity, and the tattoo provided it at the time."

I'm not knocking tattoos necessarily. I do "knock" rebellion (God says rebellion is as the sin of witchcraft, I Samuel 15:23a, and punishment for witchcraft was death, Exodus 22:18!). And I have a little "problem" with such an immature way of proving maturity! But worst of all -- it seems that the identity we really need is something more than one that's only skin-deep! What's needed is an identity -- a marking that is deep within -- like upon and in ones spiritual heart.

For a real "breakthru" and for real identity, let's identify with the One who said: "Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God," Matthew 5:8. And let's identify with Somebody who can mark more than just the body -- and skin-deep at that. Identity with Jesus Christ is identity indeed!

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Sunday Morning Worship...10:45a.m. Wed. Evening Bible Study...7:00p.m.  
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### CJC Presents "Once Upon A Mattress"

CJC Dinner Theatre's first show of the summer season will be "Once Upon a Mattress".

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# C.P. STUDENT REVIEW

## Running Heats Up for Track Club

The Buffalo Track Club went to Anson Saturday, June 22 to compete in the Lawrence Hall Track Meet. The weather was hot and so was the track club. Thirty-five members went to the competition with every member bringing home a ribbon. The PeeWee girls, Samantha Dickson, Shahala Trammell and Rachelle Allen, and the Midget boys Cody Baker and Joe Dalton Wyatt brought home the maximum amount of ribbons for themselves (three each). Lots of other participants brought home three or four ribbons.

The track club is busy getting ready for the Abilene Invitational met this Saturday at Elmer Gray stadium. On July 6 they will travel to Wichita Falls for the Region 8 meet. Winners will advance to the state met in Waco, July 26-28.

The coaches would like to thank the participants for their hard work, the parents for their support, and the Methodist church for the use of their church van to take the larger group to Anson. A special thank you to Cory Cavender and Justin Dickson for their hard work, they are leaving the track club for bigger and brighter things. We appreciate your hard work.

**Results**  
**PEEWEE DIVISION:**  
 Rachelle Allen- 50 meter dash- 4th, 100 meter dash- 5th, high jump- 2nd; Samantha Dickson- 400 meter dash- 1st, 800 meter run- 1st, long jump- 2nd; Shahala Trammell- 50 meter dash- 5th, 200 meter dash- 2nd, long jump- 4th; Layton Turner- 50 meter dash- 3rd, long jump- 4th, high jump- 2nd; Carter Turner- 50 meter dash- 5th, high jump- 4th; Cory Cavender- 800 meter run- 1st, high jump- 4th; Colton McWilliams- high jump- 4th

**BANTAM DIVISION:** Cierra Odom- shot put- 2nd; Chad Switzer- 100 meter dash- 6th, 200 meter dash- 4th, high jump- 2nd; Logan Turner- high jump-

4th, long jump- 2nd

**MIDGET DIVISION:** Emily Harris- 80 meter hurdles- 4th, high jump- 3rd, 4 X 400 relay- 2nd; Krista Phillips- high jump- 2nd, 4 X 400 relay- 2nd; Betty Matthews- shot put- 3rd, 4 X 400 relay- 2nd; Brittany Melton- shot put- 2nd; Shelby Randolph- 1600 meter run- 1st, 800 meter run- 2nd, 4 X 400- 2nd; Cody Baker- 80 meter hurdles- 2nd, 100 meter dash- 3rd, 200 meter dash- 4th; Joe Dalton Wyatt- 80 meter hurdles- 5th, 800 meter run- 4th, high jump- 2nd

**JUNIOR DIVISION:** Beth Savell- 100 meter hurdles- 3rd, 200 meter dash- 6th; Mykea Douglass- shot put- 1st, Discus- 2nd; Brittany Stout- 100 meter dash- 5th, long jump- 3rd; Tracey Randolph- 400 meter dash- 3rd, 800 meter dash- 4th, shot put- 2nd, Discus- 3rd; Jacob Melton- 100 meter dash- 5th, Discus- 4th, shot put- 2nd; Clay Koenig- shot put- 5th, Discus- 5th; Russell Thomas- 200 meter dash- 2nd, 400 meter dash- 4th, 4 X 400 relay- 3rd; J.J. Callaway- 200 meter dash- 6th, 4 X 400 relay- 3rd; Justin Dickson- 300 hurdles- 5th, 4 X 400 relay- 3rd, pole vault- 2nd; Chris McBride- 800 meter run- 5th, 1600 meter run- 2nd, 4 X 400 relay- 3rd

**INTERMEDIATE DIVISION:**  
 Kali Phillips- 100 hurdles- 2nd, 300 hurdles- 1st; Kelsee Richards- high jump- 1st, Discus- 1st, shot put- 1st, 400 meter dash- 2nd; Christin Hyles- 1600 meter run- 3rd, 3200 meter run- 4th; Shana Hyles- 800 meter run- 3rd, 1600 meter run- 1st, long jump- 5th; Dusty Dickson- high jump- 1st, 200 meter dash- 3rd; Thomas Dimitri- 400 meter dash- 2nd; pole vault- 1st; Andy Bennett- 800 meter run- 3rd, 3200 meter run- 2nd

**SENIOR DIVISION:** Kim Mosier- 100 meter dash- 2nd, 200 meter dash- 1st, 400 meter dash- 1st, high jump- 3rd; Jared Wooten- Discus- 1st, shot put- 1st

## SCHOOL BOARD MINUTES

The Cross Plains I.S.D. Board of Trustees met in a regular emergency meeting with the following members present: Vicki Dillard, Donnie Dillard, Bryan Bennett, Jim Cook, Monty Richards and Tony Wyatt (late).

The following administrators and guests were also in attendance: Superintendent, Elementary Principal and guest, Susan Holland.

Prayer was led by Monty Richards.

Minutes were approved as read. Motion was made by Cook and seconded by V. Dillard that we accept the ESL Report presented by Margie Sowell, Elementary Principal. For 5 Against 0

Motion was made by Richards and seconded by Cook that we table the Texas Primary Reading Inventory Report. For 5 Against 0 Wyatt came in.

Motion was made by Richards and seconded by Cook that we approve 2002-2003 Technology Plan. For 6 Against 0

Motion was made by Bennett and seconded by Wyatt that we accept Camero Gully (CPA) as Cross Plains ISD auditor for 2002-2003. For 6 Against 0

Motion was made by Cook and seconded by Bennett that we approve TASB Contractual Employment policies with corrections. For 6 Against 0

Motion was made by Richards and seconded by Bennett that items 9, 10, 11 and 12 be tabled until the next meeting. For 6 Against 0

The board reviewed the Cross Plains ISD Student Handbook and Cod of Conduct. (At the July meeting they will discuss and further finalize revisions).

An executive session began at 9:25 p.m. and was out at 10:57 p.m.

Motion was made by Richards and seconded by Bennett that we accept the resignation of Michelle Carter and Michelle Beasley. For 6 Against 0

Motion was made by Wyatt and seconded by Cook that we hire Casey Stone for 1 year probationary (6 mos.), plus \$5,000 stipend as a coach and math instructor. For 6 Against 0

Motion was made by Wyatt and seconded by Bennett that we accept Candilyn Smith as a science teacher for 1 year probationary contract (10 months). For 6 Against 0

Motion was made by Richards and seconded by Cook that we review bills and adjourn. For 6 Against 0

## CJC Hosting Basketball Camp

The Cisco Junior College Basketball program will be hosting a camp for girls this summer. The Lady Wrangler Camp is to be held July 14-18 for girls in grades 5-12. The camp is an overnight camp, but it is available for girls who wish to commute. Campers will be grouped by skill and age levels. This camp includes offensive and defensive fundamental and league games. Included in the camp are a T-shirt, medical insurance, meals, an air-conditioned dorm room, awards, and a camp report card. A group of outstanding coaches conducts this camp each summer. Last summer over 180 junior high and high school girls attended camp.

For information and a camp application, please contact camp director Ronnie Hearne by calling (254)442-2567 or (254)442-4630, or by emailing him at rhearne@cisco.cc.tx.us.

## Military—

ors filling the mess deck. I take a seat and begin to worry if, aboard ship where rations are limited, there are rules regarding how much salt, pepper, hot sauce and napkins each person can use. My palette demands spice but, to be safe, I take it easy on the hot sauce.

1810 (6:10 p.m.)—Somehow I find my way back to the ready room without faltering. As I stand waiting for Capt. Atwood to return I notice for the first time the knee-wobbling sway of the ship I am now deep within. Good thing I ate light because I don't think these pork rounds are going to taste quite the same the second time around.

1815 (6:15 p.m.)—Capt. Atwood returns and introduces me to another guide, PFC Tim Godwin, HML/A-269 embark clerk and native of Perry County, Ohio.

1830 (6:30 p.m.)—At this moment I am trying to recall the name of the ship's area where you can look out over the flightline—I need to take pictures from there but the only term I can think of is "crow's nest." I feel like a pirate as I pose my inquiry. Luckily, a passing Marine understands my jumbled jargon and directs us skyward toward "vulture's row." Close enough I guess.

We travel this way, then that way, upward, downward, left, right, back that way then back to this way--it's a tangled web we have found ourselves in. I feel like the new private on station searching for some flightline. I hope the Marine who gave us directions wasn't sending us on a goose chase. Thankfully, we find help and good directions. We're on our way.

1855 (6:55 p.m.)—Observation Deck: We find there is no such thing as "vulture's row" on this class of ship but there is an observation deck which will serve the same purpose for shooting photos.

Everything's great now. We've come at the most opportune moment to get the photos I need. Helicopters are taking off and landing and the crewmembers down on the flightline are running every which way. As far as myself and military photography are concerned, we have found our Eden.

1920 (7:20 p.m.)—Back at the ready room. I let Capt. Atwood know I'm going exploring for more photos.

As I reached the first ladderwell heading upward I notice the lights are out and everything is lit by red lamps. I'm not sure what this means, but according to Star Trek it's never a good thing. I decide to sit at the bottom of the ladderwell and wait for what I term "code red" to be over with.

1950 (7:50 p.m.)—Still waiting. A Sailor walks by and helps me out. It seems the ship has gone into night status. The red lights, in theory, are helping keep the ship from being spotted by enemy forces. It's also making it harder to navigate the already perplexing hallways of the ship.

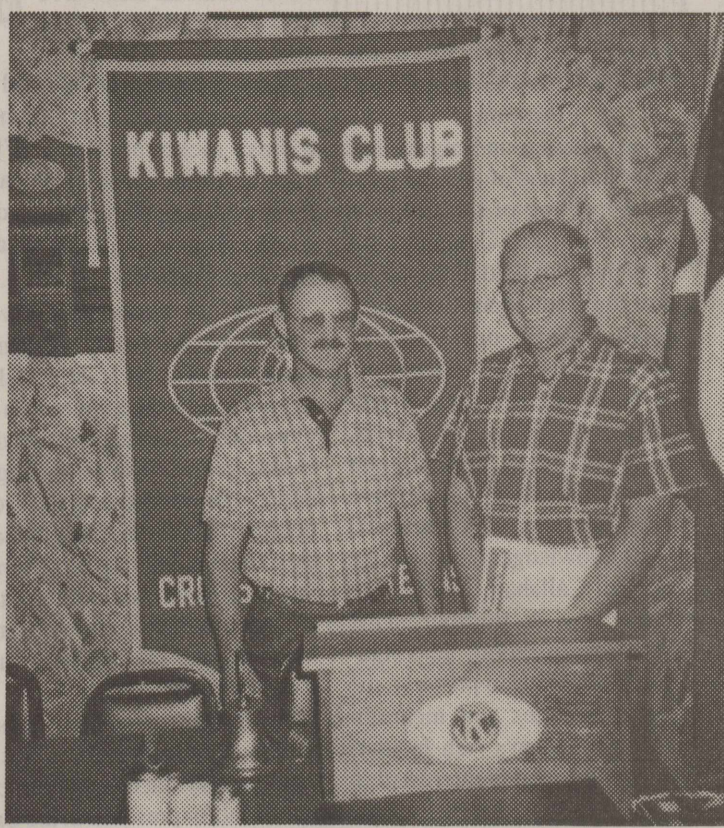
I eventually run back into Capwell and Godwin. They are there exchanging banter with a few fellow Marines. These guys are real characters (I only wish I could relate some of the stories they tell in this writing.)

2330 (11:30 p.m.)—Berthing area. The racks are stacked three beds high and I, being the wise one I can sometimes be, opted for the space up top.

Because I was too short to make the rack while standing there, I decided the only other possibility was to make the rack while I was actually in it. After 20 minutes of what had to have looked like a game of drunken Twister, the bed was made decently. I think the sheets were on sideways but I decided any other way was just a luxury and I settled in for the night. As I lay there I find the gentle rocking of the ship setting me to sleep.

0615 (6:15 a.m.)—Up and ready. I head to morning chow, inhale a ham and cheese omelet, go back to berthing to wake up Godwin and then it's off to the embark office to wait for my check-in with Capt. Atwood.

0730 (7:30 a.m.)—Maj. Harold



**KIWANIS GUEST SPEAKER**—Bun Barry (right), the Chief Appraiser for Callahan County, was the guest of Kiwanian Ron Bagley (left). Mr. Barry presented an informative talk about appraised values. The Kiwanis Club meets at noon each Tuesday at Jean's Feed Barn. Everyone is welcome.

P. Davis, HML/A-269 logistics officer in charge. While waiting in the embark office Maj. Davis arrives and tells his Marines he has seen dolphins off one of the ship's catwalks. We head off to have a look.

We reach the spot and wait for the dolphins to show. We never see them, but there is something much better than dolphins I find while standing on that catwalk. The ocean. The ocean, with a ship cutting through its salty depths beneath me. I feel like maybe I've reached a place I'm destined to be. We watch and chat for a little while longer before deciding to make our way back.

0815 (8:15 a.m.)—Looks like we're lost. Not only are we lost, we're lost in officer country.

We passed through the gym, through officer berthing, past the Ward Room down three levels, up one level, around countless corners and through a seemingly endless connection of hatches—then, in a beam of brilliant light, there, once again, was the ready room.

0905 (9:05 a.m.)—Capt. Atwood confirms flight schedule. I debark at 1730 (5:30 p.m.) if all goes as planned. For now though, I have time to gather some more photographs.

0915 (9:15 a.m.)—The fo'cile. I don't know what compelled Godwin to bring me to this part of the ship, but here we are. It's actually rather interesting. The chains are enormous and it baffles me as to why there are about 15 Sailors watching these heavy links. I honestly don't think that anyone would try walking away with a two-ton link of chain.

0940 (9:40 a.m.)—Back on the catwalk (opposite side of ship from last time). Godwin needs to head back to his shop to take care of some work, I head out to get some action shots of the squadron Marines.

1050 (10:50 a.m.)—I head to the embark office. I've made my peace with the ocean, come to grips with size of the ship, and now feel a part of a much larger operating whole. My return to the office brings no problems. It's been more than 16 hours since my arrival on my ship, but I feel accomplished in my understanding of the ship this far.

1345 (1:45)—After another bout with chow and a few more eye-opening cappuccinos we head to the flight deck. We score float coats and cranials and clam-bor to the top of the ramp leading to the flightline door. We try to act like we know what we're doing.

I start taking photographs, putting the camera up to my eye to capture celebrations of the crew as each landing takes place smoothly.

I came aboard this ship to learn everything I could about its inner workings--it's people, ways, policies, traditions, regulations, etc. I received quite an education during my 24 hours inside the Iwo Jima, but regardless of how long I stayed, there would always be someone a little "saltier" than myself. And there would always be something new for me to learn.

A few hours later I'm preparing for my return flight to New River. We leap from the flight deck and I'm on my way home--watching the Iwo Jima disappear from sight. I wish only that I could stay longer, explore further and meet with other exciting experiences. Then, a smile breaks as I remember I have 20 more years for that.

## One dog tests negative for rabies in April

The Texas Department of Health reported one dog examined for rabies during April 2002 in Callahan County turned up negative for the disease.

The Texas Department of Health's Zoonosis Control Division performed the test on the dog during April.

Statewide, the Zoonosis Control Division reported 151 animals turned up positive for rabies in April, with the majority being skunks. The Department of Health performed 1,003 negative tests for the disease in April. There were 121 positive skunks tested for rabies, four foxes, 13 bats, two raccoons, two dogs, one cat, three bovine, two equine, one bobcat, and two goals tested positive for the disease.

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## Baird Foundation Appreciates Donations for Antiques Market/Trade Day

The Baird Foundation wishes to thank and acknowledge those who donated items for the silent auction held Saturday, June 8, during Baird's Antiques Market/Trade Days. Donors were: Mark & Trish Duke, Nancy & Bud Young, Betty & Weldon Henson, Susan & Bob McCool, Gene Swinson, Jim & Jerry Hatchett, Cubelle Harris, Clyde Hardware and Lumber, Pest Control of San Angelo, Sherwin Williams Company, Lusky's-Ryan, Laura's Boutique, Village Shoes and Hastings Book-Music & Video all Abilene businesses. Two businesses who were exhibiting in the Antiques Market/Trade-Days also graciously donated auction items. They are Ronald Day, The Glassman of Bryan/College Station who also does custom handcrafted woodwork, and Milinda's Past & Present of San Angelo. We appreciate the nice donations made by the Chamber of Commerce. We thank everyone who bid on the items that were donated.

Recent memorial donations have been made by Dick and Joann Vestal; Bobby Roach; Nancy and Bud Young; Elaine Hopkins; Nancy Turnbow and Susan McCool.

A cash donation was also made by Bill Stevens, the father of Terri Stevens, owner of On the Birdwalk.

Brownwood Cable TV is accepting voluntary contributions of behalf of Baird Foundation for their customers in Baird, Clyde and Cross Plains. Donations can be made when you pay your cable bill. Donations are to be used as part of the 30% local funding match for the rehabilitation of the 1911 T&P Depot, Transportation Museum and visitor center.

We thank all those who are supporting the efforts of the Baird Foundation.

Tax deductible contributions can be mailed to:

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Submitted by: Betty Henson

## BOOK REVIEW A Service of Cross Plains Library

I have read a lot of books lately, including **BIAS** and **SHAKE-DOWN** which are both in the Library and I won't review. I want to introduce you to a new author from my home state of Oklahoma. (They wrote a song about me, I am an Okie from Muskogee). Robert Conley is a Cherokee Indian who writes about his Indian heritage from a jillion different viewpoints. You can check out of the Library his book **CHEROKEE DRAGON**, the story of one of the lesser known chiefs of the Cherokees, who fought the British, French and later American settlers as they encroached on tribal lands in the North Carolina to Georgia area. The book spans from the before the Revolutionary War to the early 1800's telling the trails and tribulations of one of the civilized tribes that adopted European customs, went to New England universities, visited England, knew how to farm, raise orchards, lived in large farm homes, printed their own newspaper in both English and Cherokee. But when gold was discovered on their land in Georgia, they were forced out by greedy white settlers. Conley documents one of the chiefs, who split with the tribe to oppose the encroachment with militant guerilla tactics, that we see being used today throughout the world.

His book, **ACTOR**, is a different book about a half Cherokee man who as a young teenager, saw his father gunned down by other Cherokees in the Indian Territory. The internal warfare resulted from the decision of some of the Cherokees to take the offer to move to Oklahoma early and the enmity with the ones who held out until Federal troops moved them down the Trail of Tears. The two groups assassinated each other's leaders for years. There is still intertribal fighting, much like the problems created by out Civil war.

The young protagonist in **ACTOR** has many names as he acts out various roles in his life. He is sent by his mother to be educated at Dartmouth, where he engages in debates with his proofs about Shakespeare. After being beaten for attempting to elope with a white woman, he chooses acting on the stage as a career. Forced to kill a man after his first major stage role, he joins a traveling Shakespearean group and ends up becoming an avenging gun

fighter in the West. The book shows Conley's erudition, but is a cliff-hanger action western at the same time.

Conley also has several raunchy books about the early western frontier towns, where his protagonist, Barjack, is a lawman who owns the saloon and bawdy house on one side of the street and his wife runs a restaurant on the other side. I haven't read the first book in the series, **BARJACK**, but I did read **THE GUN-FIGHTER**, about a gentlemanly, but well-known hired assassin who comes to town to find a place to rest, but everyone thinks he has been hired by their worst enemy to have them killed. The result is a complete restructuring of the townsfolk combined with a chase of the bad guys and enough gunplay to satisfy the most avid western reader.

Three completely different books by an author who can handle a number of subjects well. Look up Conley in your Library and enjoy a variety of education and entertainment.

You can send me E-mail at CAR926@aol.com.

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Businesses applying for economic injury disaster loans have until February 10, 2003 to submit their applications. These are working capital loans to help small businesses meet operating expenses that cannot be met because of the disaster.

The SBA encourages anyone with physical damages caused by this disaster to apply for assistance by the July 8, 2002 deadline.

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## RISING STAR NURSING CENTER

BY MACK WATSON-BUSH

Hello. Hope that everyone is well and had/having a great week. Vacation time has ended for this writer and it is very good to be home again. Traversed the state and had a great time doing so. Thanks to Debra Alexander for the fine job she did with this column last week, so fine in fact that I must run faster and better, as the hounds are nipping at these heels, so to write (speak). Debra is such a fine addition to our staff. Everyone should make time to come to the facility and visit with her. The sunny dispositions of both she and the versatile Linda Merritt certainly brighten all our days.

Newspapers have a habit of disclosing their errors in nondescript areas. Thus, allow this writer to place his retraction first and foremost. The egg is on my face for reporting that Lucky Robason had relocated to another facility. There was no such person. The correct name was Ottilie Robason. Please excuse this miscue.

Juanice Cook is back home after a short stay in the hospital and is doing well. Great to have her home. Also, while writing of happy news, we are glad to welcome new resident Gerald Bailey to the facility. Gerald is in room 12A and we are very happy to have him.

Resident Haynie Bewley is cur-

rently in the hospital at Brownwood. We are hoping that her condition will improve. Please keep her in your thoughts.

Exercise and art classes are going well and continue to be enjoyed by all that attend. Debra reports that on July 4th at 6 p.m. we will have a hamburger supper for the residents, their families, and our staff members. Along with the hamburgers there will be baked beans and watermelon served. Musical entertainment will also be provided. We are all looking forward to that occasion.

The monthly birthday party was held last week. Those residents celebrating birthdays this month are Zelda Milam, Leon Stewart, Mary Jane Sain, Victor Long and Rozelle Gary. Angie baked a marvelous cake and it, along with tasty punch, were served to all attending. Happy Birthday Folks!

Disheartening to hear of the passing of residents Nell Cooper and Earl Mosley. Both were very fine people and we were privileged to have them with us, even for a short time. We are missing them both very much. Condolences to their families, including our very own Gerri Cooper.

Again, very good to be home. Have a very nice week.



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Dear Editors,  
Here we are at the first days of June, and soon it will be "June Teenth", the day when the news reached Texas that Abraham Lincoln had freed the slaves with the "Emancipation Proclamation".

I sincerely hope those who read this will do as I did, and get a copy of the "Emancipation Proclamation" and read it (as I did). They will then find that the "Emancipation Proclamation" was a presidential order to Union Troops, "Do not return runaway slaves to owners who live in States that are in rebellion, except those owners who live in West Virginia, certain counties in Virginia, and those who live in certain parishes in Louisiana, including New Orleans parish. (In other words, the Union army would return runaway slaves to owners who lived in these regions). Abraham Lincoln did NOT FREE A SINGLE SLAVE DURING HIS ENTIRE LIFETIME! He was a lawyer-bamboozler. The "Emancipation Proclamation" bamboozled ignorant and illiterate people of the 1800s and ignorant people today who are too lazy to read.

Lincoln was a lawyer's lawyer whose goal was to get twelve people to believe whatever he said. Lawyers have built a shrine to him in Washington, D.C., and ignorant people today worship at the foot of the statue of this pathological liar.

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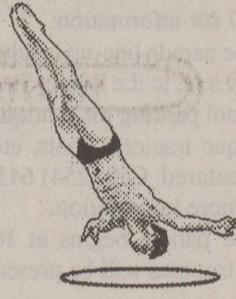
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**Recycling mania...**

Even on vacation, I can't stop recycling. Not the rinsing and sorting of plastics and cans, but the recycling of table scraps. It's hard to throw away meat scraps after meals, but the dogs aren't traveling with me. I have to throw away the vegetable scraps that at home would go to the goats or the rabbits. When their droppings go to enrich the garden, it all seems to work so well together. The compost heap loves green things, and the really gross stuff growing in a covered container at the back of the refrigerator makes the septic tank slurp.

This morning I had a tough time throwing away leftover scrambled eggs, thinking of all the dogs that would dearly love such a treat. Actually, I've noticed the dogs do get their treats. They just wait until the trash is taken out and then knock over the garbage can.

Yesterday morning I noticed an early morning cat crouched over a spilled can. I wondered if that little orange cat had knocked over the full garbage can, or was maybe following the route of a larger dog.

The cat was skittish and jumpy, a streetwise tabby who took a few cautious steps at a time. He lifted his head frequently, ears perked and alert to any noise

that might disturb his meal. It had no trouble with me on the third floor porch above. Morning was still dim when the cat licked its paws and walked away. I stayed on the porch listening to the waking birds.

Next morning the cat came around looking for breakfast again. The cans were emptied with their lids jammed tight. The little scavenger sat staring, disappointment clear in its behavior. The garbage can would yield up no treats this trip.

Remembering the leftovers in the refrigerator, I ran to get something to mollify poor kitty. I broke off a few pieces, leaned out and tossed down a bite. The cat startled but held his ground. It was his territory and his time slot and he was not willing to give it up to a visiting intruder. He sniffed long and deep, then crept tippy toe towards the food.

I tossed another bite. It landed a few inches away. He looked up and found me. I tossed another. Now he knew the food was from the hand of a human. He picked up a couple of bites. Some of the birds decided they wanted some. One bird darted right under the cat's nose. The cat decided the bird would taste better than scrambled eggs. I wonder how this scene would have unfolded if I hadn't meddled?  
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MRS. MICHAEL WAYNE CERVENKA

**McGowen-Cervenka Exchanged Vows**

Mary Allison McGowen and Michael Wayne Cervenka were married March 23, 2002 at Union Presbyterian Church in Brownwood.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. David McGowen of Rising Star, the granddaughter of Edra Butler and the late Robert Butler of Rising Star and Charleene McGowen and the late Howard McGowen of Brownwood, and niece of Doyle and Wilma Jean Lasater of Rising Star.

The groom is the son of Lillian Cusick of Tucson, Arizona and the late Larry Cervenka.

Maid of honor was Leslie McGowen of Grand Prairie, sister of the bride. Bridesmaids were Shana Bagley of San Antonio, cousin of the bride; Amy Strength Barnett of Dover, Delaware; and Naomi Robins of Austin. The flower girl was Morgan Keime

and ring bearer was Parker Keime, both of Austin.

Tommy Cervenka of Austin, brother of the groom, served as best man. Groomsmen were Diego Alfarace and Trent Keime, both of Austin, and Kevin Hair of Los Angeles, California.

Ushers and candlelighters were Thomas Cervenka and Phillip Cervenka, nephews of the groom from Tucson, Arizona.

Matt McGowen, brother of the bride, officiated.

Soloist was Sonda Leininger and organist was Aileen DeBore, both of Brownwood.

The house party included Mary Jo Butler, aunt of the bride from Lake Brownwood, Coann O'Brien of Rising Star and Dana Dimitri of Cross Plains.

The couple honeymooned in Playa Del Carmen, Mexico, and are making their home in Austin.



MR. AND MRS. EDWARD STEPHEN NETZHAMMER

**Jennings-Netzhammer Wed on May 4th**

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Jennings of Cross Plains have the honour of announcing the marriage of their daughter, April Renee Jennings to Edward Stephen Netzhammer, son of Mr. and Mrs. Emile Netzhammer of Kenner, Louisiana.

The wedding took place on Saturday, May 4, 2002 at the Botanical Gardens of New Orleans. The couple honeymooned in France and will reside in Norwalk, Connecticut.

Mary Sollenberger, sister of the groom, was Matron of Honor, Kasey Sollenberger, niece of the groom, was Junior Bridesmaid, Amber Jennings, sister of the

bride, Shelby Sollenberger, Noel Netzhammer, Joy Netzhammer and Noah Netzhammer, nieces and nephew of the groom were attendants. Emile Netzhammer was Best Man for his son.

The bride is a graduate of Cross Plains High School and National Education Center, where she received her Medical Assisting certificate. She is employed by Commonfund Securities based in Wilton, Connecticut.

The bridegroom is a graduate of Bonabel High School and Thibodaux University. He is employed by Starwood Hotels and Resorts based in White Plains, New York.

**Rising Star Freedom Festival Starts June 27**

The Rising Star Freedom Festival kicks off with the Rising Star Annual Junior Rodeo June 27, 28 and 29th.

On Thursday, July 4th, the day begins at 8 a.m. with the Community Wide Garage Sales. Call (254) 643-4261 or (254) 643-3027 for information.

The parade line-up is scheduled for 9 a.m. in the Rising Star High School parking lot. Antique cars, antique tractors, floats, etc. will be featured. Call (254) 643-4261 for more information.

The parade begins at 10 a.m. and trophies will be presented to

all first place winners.

A brisket lunch at the City Park Pavilion will be catered by Cook's Fish Barn.

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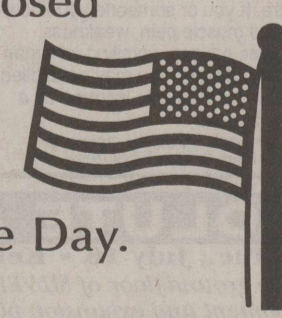
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