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Masthead Designed by Deborah Lowitzer

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# Down HOME

EDITOR'S NOTE: You are going to love this one!!!! I don't know who faxed it to me, there wasn't a name attached, but you sharing with our readership.

That brings to mind, not long ago I received a \$10 bill in the mail at the office with a note that read, "This is for Vanda, not the Cross Plains Review. This is to ago. Don't even try to figure out was either, but they felt the need to make amends and they had the courage to do so. Thanks to whomever!

Don't you feel like we are in a special time of preparing our hearts and souls to be acceptable to the Lord? When you are ing the commissioners' court making a dedicated effort to do meeting held Monday, August so, you realize that conviction comes quickly and repentence follows directly. It is not about us, only HIM.

This story will make you glad you have chosen this path and encourages you to keep up the good fight of faith. God bless you and keep you!! Vanda Anderson

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#### "The Quilt"

As I faced my Maker at the last judgment, I knelt before the Lord along with all the other souls. Before each of us laid our lives like the squares of a quilt in many piles.

An angel sat before each of us sewing our quilt squares together into a tapestry that was our life. But as my angel took each piece of cloth off the pile, I noticed how ragged and empty each of my squares were. They were filled with giant holes. Each square was labeled with a part of my life that had been difficult, the challenges and temptations I was faced with in everyday life. I saw hardships that I endured, which were the largest holes of all.

I glanced around me. Nobody else had such squares. Other than a tiny hole here and there, the other tapestries were filled with rich color and the bright hues of worldly fortune. I gazed upon my own life and was disheartened. My angel was sewing the ragged pieces of cloth together, threadbare and empty, like binding air. Finally the time came when

# **Cottonwood Volunteer Fire Control Needs Donated Items for Garage Sale**

Fire Control is having a garage sale and bake sale, Saturday, September 17, at 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., at the Cottonwood Community Center. Donations are needed for this fund-raiser, so if you have any usable items. know who you are. Thanks for except clothes, call Beverly Brown (254) 725-7369 or Deana Terstegge at (254) 725-7281 as soon as possible so that the items may be picked up or you may

The Cottonwood Volunteer drop the items off at the Community Center between 10:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. on Thursdays.

The Cottonwood Community appreciates your support of our Volunteer Fire Control Unit and hopes you will either contribute garage sale items or come out and shop on Saturday, September 17. Submitted by

Mary E. Weaver



during his two-day presentations across Callahan and Eastland Counties.

# make things right from years Commissioners vote for new who it is." I don't know who that budget, lower tax rate for Callahan County in 2005-06

Callahan County Commissioners voted to approve the proposed budget and tax rate for the 2005-2006 fiscal year dur-22 at the County Courthouse in

By adopting the new budget, county commissioners voted to lower the tax rate, effective for the 2005-2006 fiscal year, by 4.947 percent. The new tax rate for the General Fund is \$0.30642 per \$100 property value, down from \$0.3210 tax rate in 2004-2005. The new Road & Bridge Fund tax rate drops from \$0.1055 per \$100 of valuation to \$0,1000 per \$100 of property value in 2005-2006.

Before adopting the proposed budget, Callahan County Tax Assessor/Collector Tammy Walker met with the commissioners to discuss the possibility of going over her budget that was already set for the 2005-2006 fiscal year because of last minute unfunded mandates made by the state legislators.

Clyde Justice of the Peace for Precinct #1 Roy Chapman also met with the commissioners' court to discuss his concerns about his budget for utilities cost for the 2005-2006 fiscal year because of his July utility bill in the new building.

After hearing from the county

ATTENTION

LANDOWNERS

problems with West Texas

Gas pipelines will have the oppor-

tunity to meet with a represen-

tative from the Railroad Commis-

sion this Thursday, September

1, in Cross Plains. For more in-

formation call 254-725-4237 and

Anyone who is experiencing

officials, Commissioner Bryan Farmer made a motion to adopt the proposed budget for the 2005-2006 fiscal year. Total income for the General Fund is \$2,787,057.58. Total expenses for the fiscal year are \$2,786,480.11 with a surplus of \$577.47. The Road & Bridge Fund income and expenses total\$1,048,164.47. Commissioners Harold Hicks second the motion and it carried by a 5-0 vote. Voting for the motion were Commissioners Farmer, Hicks, Tommy Holland, Doris Grider, and County Judge Roger Corn.

Judge Corn made a motion to adopt the proposed tax rate for 2005-2006 fiscal year of \$0.40642 per \$100 of property valuation. The General Fund tax rate is \$0.30642 per \$100 of property value and the Road & Bridge tax rate is \$0.1000 per \$100 of property value. Commissioner Grider seconded the motion and it carried by a 5-0 vote. Voting for the motion were commissioners Hicks, Farmer, Holland, Grider and Judge Corn.

Other agenda items brought before the commissioners' court

-The commissioners' court meeting was called to order by Judge Corn at 9:33 a.m. Monday with commissioners Hicks, Farmer, Holland and Grider present. Also present were County Treasurer Dianne Alexander, and County Clerk Jeanie Bohannon.

-The commissioners' court meeting minutes of August 8 were approved as presented. -There was no public comments received.

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# Congressman Neugebauer addresses Social Security, Immigration during visit to Cross Plains

By Amber Kleiber

County residents.

Neugebauer said was invented to measure. determine what issues were more important to the people.

prices, but not over night.

at Jean's Feed Barn in Cross care, but also that of older Plains Wednesday, August 24. citizens, who have been paying This was just one of many events into Social Security for decades. the Congressman had scheduled While discussing Social Security with Callahan and Eastland the Congressman brought up the topic of Medicare and prescrip-Close to 20 residents of Cross tion drug cards. He noted that

Several residents wanted to know what could be done they were two years ago. The Congressman touched on about the illegal immigrants. Social Security was a huge topic people were kept safe. He said supports the choice of Roberts. with the younger generation that that they needed to know more

attended. Nathan Joy of Cross about the people who came into U.S. Congressman Randy Plains was concerned that his the U.S., both legal and illegal, Neugebauer held an event called generation would not only have and they needed to enforce the 'Coffee with the Congressman" to pay for their debts and health current immigration laws. The Congressman agreed with Ray Self of Rising Star when he stated, "We can't just build a wall around America."

Mr. Self wanted to know why America was "selling out to the enemy" in the Israel-Palestinian Plains and surrounding areas the prescription drug card ordeal. Neugebauer disagreed attended the coffee which was originated as a preventive with Mr. Self saying that discussions between the two sides were more productive now than

The Congressman spoke briefly the subject of energy bills. He said Neugebauer remarked that our on the nomination of Judge John that these bills would help gas National Security was in place to Roberts to the U.S. Supreme make sure that the American Court. Neugebauer strongly

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RENOVATIONS DOWNTOWN—Tim Dillard, owner of Tim's Floral, has begun renovation to the old post office building located next to his flower shop. Tim purchased the building from Roylene Wilson and his plans are to expand his showroom floor, add storage to the rear and make the front of the building aesthetically pleasing to the eye. What a wonderful addition this will make to the downtown area of Cross Plains. The City of Cross Plains and the Economic Development Corporation of Cross Plains would like to say "Thank You" to all the businesses in Cross Plains for taking pride in our community.

#### See Down Home Page 12 leave message. **Cross Plains Football**

Junior High vs. Winters September 1, 2005 5:00 p.m. Home

> J.V. vs. Winters September 1, 2005 6:30 p.m. Home

Varsity Winters September 2, 2005 7:30 p.m. There

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 5, 2005

SCHOOL HOLIDAY FOR LABOR DAY

NO EARLY OUT

BUSES WILL RUN AT REGULAR TIME

**CLASSES WILL RESUME ON** TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 6TH AT REGULAR TIME



CEMETERY RECEIVING FACE LIFT— Contractors began work on the installation of the columns at the Cross Plains Cemetery. Greg Turner, of Turner Landscaping in Cross Plains, contracted with the Cemetery Association to install the brick columns, and in turn subcontracted to Benny Williams of Rising Star. Todd Kennedy will install the wrought iron panels while Jeff Parker constructs the entry sign to the cemetery.

# Texas Heritage 'We're Proud of Our L'ocal Heritage' **Presents:** "What's Inside"

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# Mini Revival Set for **Faith Cowboy Church** Saturday, Sept. 3rd

Faith Cowboy Church, 703 South 6:30 p.m. and worship services Joyce Street, Rising Star on begin at 7:30 p.m. Saturday, September 3, and Sunday, September 4. Justin Todd Herod will be the message.

guest speaker. Free drinks and snacks will be served at 5:30 p.m. The Faith

A Mini Revival is scheduled at Cowboy Choir will perform at

Sunday at 10:00 a.m. Justin Todd Herod will deliver the

> Come as you are. You will be blessed.

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# CHURCH DIRECTORY

#### **CROSS PLAINS COWBOY CHURCH Pastor: LEN SMITH**

Join Us On Sunday Mornings At 10:30 a.m. Wednesdays At 7:00 p.m.

16075 CR 459 Cross Plains, Texas For Information

Call 254-725-6446 or 325-518-5514 COME AS YOU ARE!



**CROSSPLAINS** 

#### CORNERSTONE BIBLE CHURCH

832 Ave. E

Cross Plains, TX

Pastor: Donald Duke

Sunday Morning Bible Study.....10:00 AM Morning Worship......11:00 AM Evening Worship.... Wednesday Night Bible Study......7:00 PM

Our Church Is A House Of Prayer

### **GOSPEL MISSION**

7161stStreet Full Gospel

Sunday Morning Worship......10:00 a.m. Sunday Evening Worship.....5:00 p.m.

Michael Ingram, Pastor

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209 S.W. Hwy 36

Welcomes You!

Sunday School 9:30 a.m. Sun. 6:30 p.m. Worship & Word \*\*\* Wed. 7:00 p.m. Bible Study "An Apostolic Church"

PASTOR, Phillip R. Schaefer (254) 725-7140

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Sunday 10 am \* Monday Prayer 7pm \* Thursday 7pm



Pastors: Max Evans & Colleen Anderson

For Information Call (254) 725-4884

#### **Union Center Baptist Church**

"Service to God Through Service to Man"

Sunday School 10:00 a.m. Worship Service 11:00 a.m. Wednesday Bible Study 7:00 p.m.

5 miles north of Rising Star - 1/2 mile east of Hwy 183 on CR 292

(254) 643-1027

Jerry Eckhart, Pastor

#### COTTONWOOD BAPTIST CHURCH

Sunday School......9:45 A.M. Morning Worship......11:00 A.M. Evening Service......6:00 P.M. Wednesday Bible Study & Prayer Time......7:00 Matt McGowen, Pastor (254) 725-4599

Church (254)725-6266

Friendly Church

Bible Teaching

#### **ROWDEN BAPTIST CHURCH**

Hwy. 36 at Rowden - 12 Miles West of Cross Plains

SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP.....11:00 A.M

Pastor: Carl Mauldin Come Worship With Us!

#### NIMROD BAPTIST CHURCH

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

Bill Armstrong - Pastor

# **OBITUARY**

#### **Sid Davis**

Sid Davis, 79, of Cross Plains passed away Thursday, August 25, 2005, at his home. Graveside services were held at 11:00 a.m. Saturday, August 27, 2005, in the Pioneer Cemetery with Dwaine Clower officiating. Burial followed under the direction of discuss agriculture Edwards Funeral Home in economic issues with farmers, Eastland.

Sid was born January 6, 1926 in Abilene. Tyler, Texas to Pete and Dollie Mae Davis. He served in the U.S. Army during World War II. He married Sally Owens on June 19, 1947 in Paducah, Texas. He managed Cluck Cattle Company Ranch in Santa Rosa, New Mexico for several years. He then moved to Cross Plains and owned and operated Davis Trucking, a cattle hauling operation, for 25

He was preceded in death by his parents; two sisters, Jinivee Chavez and Jinidee Jiles; one brother, Harold Davis; a son, Sidney Frank Davis, and a great-grandson, Michael Alan Alaniz.

Survivors include his wife, Sally Davis, of Cross Plains; two daughters, Peggy Chavez and husband, Richard, of Santa Rosa, New Mexico, and Lil Martinez and husband, Joe, of Eastland; two sons, Alan Davis and wife, Patricia, of Lockney, and Neal Davis and wife, Gabriel, of Frankfurt, Germany; 18 grandchildren and 14 great-grandchildren; and numerous nieces and nephews.

# **Rene Denny** A Love Fund has been

Love Fund for

Agriculture

**Town Hall** 

Meeting in

Abilene on

Friday, Sept. 9

AUSTIN—Texas Agriculture

Commissioner Susan Combs is

hosting a town hall meeting to

ranchers and the community in

The open forum discussion will

be Friday, September 9, at 2:45

p.m. at the Taylor County Expo-

sition Center, 1700 Highway 36,

Commissioner Combs is in the

area to listen to her constituents'

concerns and ideas regarding the

future of Texas agriculture and

rural areas. As the second-largest

agriculture industry contributes

more than \$73 billion each year to

The event is open to the public

industry in the state,

the Texas economy.

and the media.

Abilene.

and rural

Commissioner

established for Rene Denny of Cross Plains at Texas Heritage

Rene has recently underwent open heart surgery. Your assistance and prayers would be greatly appreciated.

### First Baptist Lake Brownwood **REVIVAL September 7-11**

First Baptist Lake Brownwood will be holding a REVIVAL thru Sunday, September 7-11. Sunday services begin at 11:00 a.m., while Wednesday thru Saturday services are at 7:00 p.m. . The church is located on Highway

Evangelist for the revival will be Bro. Jimmy Smethers. Ray

Switzer will direct the music. Lunch will be served after the

Sunday morning service. At 2:00 p.m. an ordination service will be held for Bro. Bob Vaught, Deacon. A reception will follow.

Art Switzer, pastor of First Baptist Lake Brownwood said, "Everyone is welcome."

# Yachad Concert to held Saturday, September 3rd

chairs! Yachad has newly created cross. lyrics that will inspire your soul in Coleman, Texas. Take a left at 2223

Bring your friends and lawn the Courthouse and head to the

Concert starts at 7:00 p.m. this and get your feet to stompin. Saturday, September 3rd. Best Yachad has been playing together part about this event is that for 2 1/2 years and their first CD anyone can get in at NO is about to be released. This group CHARGE. free—Free—FREE of five with soloist Tammy will admission. So bring your own play for three (3) hours at The chair to enjoy the music at this Cross. The Cross is located on outdoor concert. Any questions, Liveoak west of the Courthouse call 325-214-1000 or 325-625-

### **Holy Rosary Catholic Church in Cisco Announces Change in Mass Schedule**

announces a change in Mass Guadalupe Catholic Church new Sacramental Minister. Catholic Church (Cleburne), and Beginning September 4, 2005, Aass at Holy Rosary Catholic Church will be celebrated at Mass schedule on Saturday after-

We would also like to welcome Father Karl Schilken. Father Schilken is a diocesan priest from the Diocese of Fort Worth and will be in Cisco on Sunday mornings to celebrate the Holy Eucharist (Mass). He will also be available for the Sacrament of Reconciliation (confession). the priesthood on March 29, 1980, at Saint William Catholic Church in Montague, Texas. During his priesthood, he has served the following parishes -Worth), Saint Bartholomew Catholic Church (Forth Worth),

Our Lady of the Holy Rosary Immaculate Conception Catholic Catholic Church in Cisco Church (Denton), Our Lady of schedule and appointment of a (Wichita Falls), Saint Joseph Saint Jude Catholic Church (Mansfield).

Beginning September 3, 2005, 11:30 a.m. on Sunday morning the Mass schedule at St. John - a big change from the current Catholic Church in Strawn will change to Saturday evenings at 6:00 p.m. In addition, beginning September 4, 2005, the Mass our new Sacramental Minister, schedule at St. Rita Catholic Church in Ranger will change to Sunday morning at 8:00 a.m., and the Mass schedule at St. Francis Xavier Catholic Church in Eastland will change to Sunday morning at 9:30 a.m.

We welcome the Catholic community and all other inter-Father Schilken was ordained to ested persons to join us for Mass on Sunday morning, September 4th, at 11:30 a.m. Following Mass, the Holy Rosary Altar Society will provide coffee, cake, and donuts for anyone wishing to Saint Rita Catholic Church (Fort stay for fellowship and to meet Father Schilken.

Submitted by Susan Horton

# **Non-denominational Meetings** of Refreshing Continue at **Pioneer Pentecostal Church**

Michial Ratliff, of Visionaries International, and Cary Stultz will once again be speaking at The Pioneer Pentecostal Church, which will be held September 8-10, starting at 7:00 p.m. nightly in Pioneer. These meetings will continue on the second weekend of each month for 3-days, Thursday-Saturday. The church is located between Cross Plains and Rising Star, 5 miles east of Cross Plains on Highway 36, turn left on County Road 569, go 1 mile and the church is on the right.

Come get a refreshing and blessing from the Prophets of the

Michial Ratliff has been functioning in the office of prophet for 30 years. He has traveled extensively worldwide and the fruitfulness of his words from the Lord coming to pass include: Israel, Norway, Sweden, Finland, Australia, Canada, Mexico and the United States, to mention a

Personal words to everyday people from an extraordinary God of Love "Receive a Prophet in the name of a prophet and you receive a Prophet's reward", which is a birthing, both the natural and supernatural. Michial's delight is primarily in the testimony of Jesus, which is the Spirit of Prophecy. (Revelations: 19)

Cary Stultz is also a prophet. He is an ordained minister of the Gospel. Cary also has a degree in practical theology from Christ for the Nations.

Michial and Cary have both ministered on GLC (God's Learning Channel- Channel 58). We would like to invite everyone from every denomination to come and fellowship with us and enjoy hearing God speak of things to come and the blessings He has for His people.

For more information call: Dane Ratliff (254) 725-4267 E-mail idr76443@wmconnect.com

> Dru Eppard (254) 725-6329 E-mail

higher\_vision@peoplepc.com. Submitted by

# Mother-Daughter Tea Scheduled for Saturday, September 17th

Daughter Tea is scheduled to be

The guest speaker will be Robinson Masters from Abilene. Nancy is an entertaining, whose warmth, wit, and "down home" style have touched thousands of readers and listeners of all ages. "My mother never set foot in a airplane, but she taught me how to fly," Nancy says. "She taught me that the greatest proof of the importance of reading and writing is that God left Himself in the Written Word. God gave me the gift of being a writer, and along with it, He gave understand it was not the gift, but information.

The 3rd annual Mother- what I did with it that mattered."

Whether speaking at internaheld on September 17, 2005 tional professional women's conat 2:00 p.m. in the Family ferences, at Christian women's Life Center at First Baptist retreats, or in small church group gatherings, Nancy conveys a message that lifts listeners up and author/pilot/speaker Nancy challenges them to use whatever gift they have been given to be all that God wants them to be. motivating writer and speaker She is the author of 17 books, and has had more that 3,000 articles, stories and poems published in a variety of magazines, newspapers, and trade journals.

> So, grab your cap and goggles and get ready to laugh, cry, and fly high with Nancy. Remember, you don't have to be a mother to be a daughter.

All ladies of the community are welcome. Please call the church be a mama who helped me office at 254-725-7629 for more

# **OPEN HEARTS OPEN MINDS OPEN DOORS**

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P.O. Box 160, Cross Plains, Texas, 76443 Sunday School 9:30 a.m Worship 10:45 a.m.



Jim Senkel, Pastor

fumc\_cp@valornet.com www.gbgm-umc.org/crossplains



# Class of 1965 Reunion Set for Sept. 23-25 in nearby Abilene

The Cross Plains High School Class of 1965 is having a reunion to celebrate their graduation from high school 40 years ago. The date is September 23 through September 25 at MCM Elegante' Suites (formerly Ambassador Suites), 4250 Ridgemont Drive, Abilene, Texas 79606 (325) 698-1234.

Saturday is the big day. We will begin our meeting at 10 a.m. on Saturday morning on the verandah area of the second floor. We can visit there until 10 p.m. We will break for lunch and dinner. Beverages will be provided. Come and join us as we

SEPTEMBER 3

Carolyn Childers

Norma Jean Franke Kerns

Sharron Hicks

Marion Simpson

Rickey Lynn Carouth

Ben Wagner

Kandy (McClure) Sunderman

SEPTEMBER 4

Eva (Wilson) Fleming

Glen Winfrey Mrs. Teron Whitefield

Mrs. Ferrell Newton

Sharron (Dillard) Lewis

Michael Hargrove

Gloria Strahan Dominguez

Lou Allen Browning

Mrs. Grider Adams

Darrell Peevy

Falon (Bass) Gilliam

Caleb Eldred

SEPTEMBER 5

**Brad Perry** 

Wayne Wilson

Joyce Seals

Barbara Ege

C.D. Shields

Doris Marie Givens

Fave Region

Brenda Franke

Carolyn Simmons

Mrs. Velma Ritter

Jean Smith

Dennis Dickson

Jason Dean Fortune

SEPTEMBER 6

Ronnie Pancake

LABOR DAY

WEDNESDAY -

reminisce and celebrate this special time.

After check in time on Friday, August 23, we will meet at the home of Sharion Stansbury Fry at 7 p.m. Bring your favorite snack. For more information and directions call Sharion at (325)

If you graduated from CPHS in 1965, come join the fun. If you went to school with this class and moved before graduation, you are invited. We want you there. If you are friends of the class and were a grade ahead or grade behind you are welcome. See you there.

Eddie Gibson

Elizabeth Smith

Jami (Lewis) Stotts

Pete Barbar, Jr.

Kristin Hunter

Mrs. E.M. Clark

Mandy Bushnell

Jimmy Clark

SEPTEMBER 7

J.D. Goble

Shena Jo Thomas

Sarah Brashear

Lynn Myers

**SEPTEMBER 8** 

Oda Perry

Mrs. D.C. Jones

Edith Sheppard

Latrell Joy

Joyce Johnson

Mrs. Bill Hollis

Amanda Kitchens

Kevin Ray Purvis

Michael Eppard

Curtis Wyatt

Beverly (Weiss) Graves

**Shirley Davis** 

Steve Stephens

Deanna Conlee

**SEPTEMBER 9** 

Judy Oliver

James Rhodes

W.B. Bludworth

Jerry Pat King

Lynn Holland

John Swift

Devin Koenig

Jody Fortune

THURSDAY- Salmon patty,

FRIDAY - Beef-A-Roni,

Pea Salad, Cauliflower, Gelatin,

Macaroni & Cheese, Spinach,

To get your name on the Birthday Column, send your name

and date of birth to The Cross Plains Review, P.O. Box 519,

Cross Plains, Texas 76443, There is no charge for this service.

To delete a name due to death or other reasons send name

and birth date (Month and Day) or Call 254-725-6111

SENIOR CITIZENS MENU

SEPTEMBER 5-9

Dumplings, Buttered Corn, Pears, Oatmeal Cookie, Bread,

Peas, Bread, Milk

2nd & 4th Tue., Domino Night (42/84) Begins at 5:00 p.m.

MONDAY - CLOSED FOR Cobbler, Cornbread, Milk

Submitted by **Sharion Fry** 

By WALLACE BENNETT \_\_\_\_\_\_

**Cottonwood Quilting Club** Working on Rehab Quilt

Quilting days at Cottonwood Quilting Center for September will be on the 1st, 8th, 15th, 22nd and 28th. The club is working on the annual Rehab quilt and everyone, including beginning quilters, will be welcome to join them for this charitable event.

We take all quilting ladies, including experienced, beginners and stabbers and jabbers," said Mary Weaver.

"What do you mean by stabbers and jabbers?" I said disbelieving. "Is that what you call a beginner,

She replied, "That is a legitimate term in quilting and I'm not kidding. I have it in a book. I'll find it and call you back."

She did.

"A stab stitch is used when the material is too thick to use a running stitch," said Mary. "That's from a book called "Successful Quilting" by Linda Seward," she continued. "Beginning quilters learn by stabbing the needle through the material and jabbing the needle back through the material," she said.

So everyone come to quilting, the beginners will be taught to Stab and Jab, and will find a

Since 1998, the U.S. House of

Representatives has raised its

annual member salary by

\$31,600—a 23.7 percent cumu-

lative increase to \$165,200 per

year. During these same years,

the federal minimum wage has

the second longest period of

stagnation since its inception in

House Majority Leader Tom

DeLay said the pay raise was

necessary so "that (members

are) not losing their purchasing

'When it comes to the pur-

chasing power of minimum wage

workers, however, Congress has

not shown the same concern."

says Don Baylor Jr., a policy

analyst at the Center for Public

"The minimum wage has lost

nearly 30 percent of its purchas-

ing power since the late 1970s,"

says Baylor in an article for the

Texas Lone Star Forum. The

1973 minimum wage would be

worth close to \$7.00 per hour in

today's dollars. Currently, a full-

time minimum wage worker

earns less than \$11,000 per

Policy Priorities.

been stuck at \$5.15 an hour -

Minimum wage has been

stuck at \$5.15 since 1998

**Fire Control Unit Needs Items for Garage Sale and Culinary Items for Bake Sale** people who have

responded to the call for items to sell at the Volunteer Control Unit's sale appreciated," said Beverly Brown.

Beverly stated that they still need items and still need volunteers to work the kitchen making hot dogs and drinks. The bake sale will need baked goods the day of the sale. The garage and bake sale will be held on September 17, at the Community Center.

Just a reminder to "Not Forget". **Cottonwood Connections** 

Terry Brown and Gilbert Ibbarra of Sugarland are visiting Beverly Brown this week. Beverly, Terry and Gilbert visited in Abilene this past Monday with Beverly's sister-in-law, Valetta Brown. James E. and Chris Brown of Ellettsville, Indiana were also visiting.

Quote of the Day: In the final analysis, things don't matter, people do."

(Please contact Wallace Bennett (254) 725-7474 for news or personal items for this column. E-mail is csb5@airmail.net. Snail mail address is 11093 CR 440, Cross Plains, Texas 76443.)

A recent poll by the nonparti-

san Pew Research Center shows

that 82 percent of Americans

support a minimum wage in-

crease, calling it an "important

"Employment has grown faster

in states that offer higher mini-

mum wages," Baylor states. "In-

deed, the last federal increase in

the minimum wage preceded a

nationwide employment boom.

A \$5.15 minimum wage state

can expect higher turnover,

higher absenteeism, and lower

productivity than higher wage

Opponents also argue that the

free market alone should deter-

mine wages, and that govern-

ment should not interfere in the

employer-employee negotia-

tion," Baylor said. "The mini-

mum wage, however, exists for

the same reason that laws

against monopolies exist; to

address situations in which the

market fails to set fair prices or

Over the past few years, sev-

eral states, including Florida,

have taken it upon themselves

to raise their minimum wage to

expand their tax base and grow

their economy," Baylor states.

"Texas also needs to increase its

minimum wage, which is cur-

rently set at \$5.15 an hour. Not

only does Texas have the high-

est number of minimum-wage

earners in the country, but more

than one-third of minimum wage

earning Texans are their fami-

"Unlike members of the U.S.

House, these low-wage Texans

have experienced the effects of

diminishing purchasing power

first hand," Baylor concludes. "Their paychecks could use a

lies' sole breadwinners."

little 'adjustment' too."

wages.'

year-before taxes."

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# Quips, Clips & Comments

........................ By KAY Mosley .......

A question for Apple Orchard Annie: Fall is just around the corner. In fall most of our thoughts turn to falling leaves, poaching peanuts, pecan and walnut roasting, apples, gingerbread and popcorn. Apple Annie as fall approaches what do your thoughts turn to? A.O.A.: I enjoy the cooler weather and taking long walks.

Change, Change and More Change

Something which has always been hard for me to accept is change. Why?

Actually, I really don't know. It's just that my system seems to crave peace, quite, continuity, security, friendship and a pleasant unhurried existence.

Just any type of change seems to unhinge me. It could be everything from changing a dirty diaper to changing cars, boy friends, husbands, changing jobs, hair color, T.V. programs

and what not.

My take on change seems to be. if everything is going smoothly, what's the reason to alter it or make a change? You know the old logic; if it isn't broken, why fix it? Why not leave it alone and try to have some peace of mind. Of course, I am aware that others say, "Nothing ventured, nothing gained."

Another point is if you don't try it, you'll never know. Moving to a new town or city, or county will enable you to meet new people, enjoy and acquaint you with a new locale, and enable you to experience new things.

Changing jobs would or could enable you to learn new information about things and should broaden your interests in new endeavors, assist you in gaining knowledge, put a feather in your cap, and very likely increase that paycheck. But, I'm still leery of sudden change.

A final thought, when shopping, "No change please, just folding money!'



**CU-BW** 

# LIBRARY NOTES

I know I'm kind of a laid back help, too? character, but even I have been impressed lately by the visitors we've had. It was pretty special when our State Rep stopped in for a walk-through on his way between hither and yon. He just couldn't believe all the resources we have crammed into our limited space.

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Submitted by: Joanie Shrader

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And so it is with life. Most of the time it is a lot better to avoid conflict, especially unnecessary conflict. Avoid an argument if you can. Avoid the "stumps" and go around them!

One who had a lot of necessary conflict in life, due to his preaching of the gospel, Paul, said, "If it is possible, as much as depends on you, live peaceably with all men" (Romans 12:18). In the words of the "old farmer" — "If it is possible, as much as depends on you, plow around the stumps."

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# **Alcoholics** Anonymous Meeting in May Weekly

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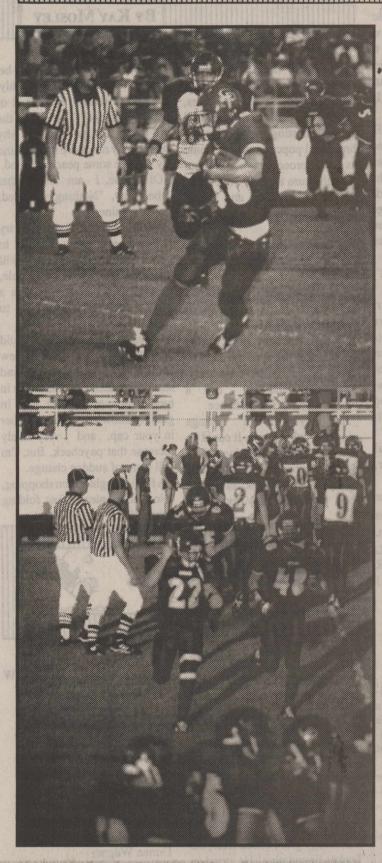
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# C.P. STUDENT REVIEW

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# **Buffaloes Fumble Chances**

by air. Three of the fumbles carries for 36 yards. occurred inside the 10 yard line.

total yards. QB Russell Thomas hard." was 5 of 10 for 125 yards with

The Cross Plains Buffaloes two int. He also had 18 yards on opened the season Friday night 10 carries. Receiver Chance with a loss to the Bronte Watkins had 4 catches for 65 Longhorns, 28-0. The Buffaloes yards. Roy Smith had 1 catch for had 8 turnovers, 5 by land and 3 60 yards. Roy also had 10

"I was proud of our effort. Our Bronte had 11 first downs with game plan was good but the the Buffaloes having 7 first turnovers were not. We will get downs. The Buffaloes had 170 better because this team will work

Submitted by Coach Hagler



The Cross Plains I.S.D. Board of Trustees met in a called meeting with the following Susan Schaefer, Burlie Taylor, Jim Cook. Scott Childress and Reggie Pillans.

The following administrator

Superintendent Jackie Tennison. Met and held public hearing members present: Vicki Dillard, on proposed budget and tax rate. Motion was made by Taylor and seconded by Schaefer to adjourn. For 6 Against 0

# **Texas High School Rodeo** Participants get acquainted

The Region X Texas High acquainted kickoff rodeo Sunday, August 28 in Marble Falls.

River Dillard, a senior at Cross roping partner Sloan Hindley, a junior at Eula High School, won the team roping Sunday.

The 2005-2006 Rodeo season rodeo. will begin September 11th in Taylor, Texas. Other Texas towns

The season has a total of ten School Rodeo had its get rodeos during the school year and then the THSR Finals are during the summer in Abilene.

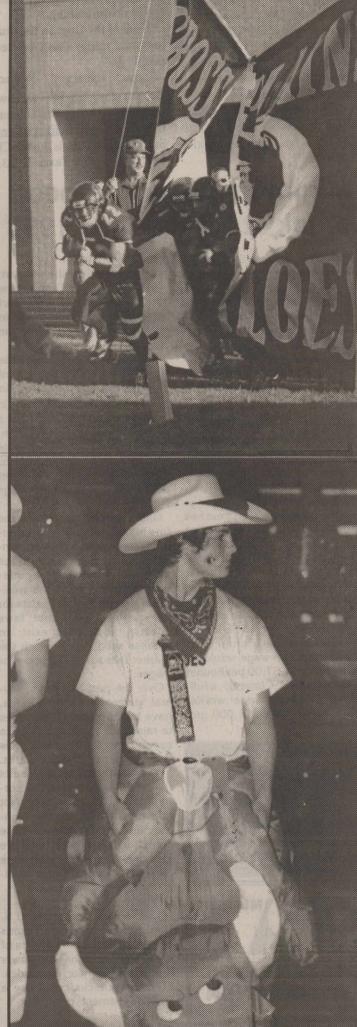
To participate in the THSR you Plains High School, and his team must be a high school student and like all other sports you must have passing grades at the end of the six weeks to enter a high school

Students who will represent Cross Plains High School in that will host Region X are Region X are Rainey Bacon, Kyle McGregor, Hamilton, Salado, and Cunningham, and River Dillard.

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# **Youth Poetry Contest Provides Scholarships**

It's time again to make students and young people in the community aware of a great opportunity to win a college scholarship by competing in the Youth Poetry Contest during RED STEAGALL COWBOY GATHERING. This year's event in the Stockyards National Historic District in Fort Worth, will be held October 21-23, 2005.

Details and an entry form may be obtained at the Cross Plains Entries must be postmarked no later than September 30, 2005.

Two categories, a junior division for poets 8-12 and a senior division for poets 13-18 years old are available.

The first and second place winners in each age division will receive a scholarship to be applied toward college tuition. Each finalist will receive a copy of Red Steagall's book and a commemorative medal.

If you have any questions, please call (817) 444-5502.



2005-2006 JUNIOR HIGH CHEERLEADERS—Amanda Dunaway (front); Kodi Roberts (back, from left), Emily Foster, Emma Bennett, Delany Ames, and Cierra Odom.

# Go Buffaloes



2005-2006 VARSITY CHEERLEADERS—Emily Harris (front, from left), Hailey Biggs, and Christiana Burrhus; Naomi Isbell (middle, from left) and Rainey Bacon; Mykea Douglass (back, from left), Megan Thomas (Mascot), Macayla Cook and Karen Scott (Head Cheerleader).

SEPTEMBER 5 - 9

BREAKFAST

MONDAY - OUT FOR LABOR MONDAY- OUT FOR LABOR DAY

Assorted Juice WEDNESDAY - Pancakes, Peas & Carrots, Rolls, Peaches

Sausage, Assorted Juice THURSDAY - Cereal, Toast, Nachos, Salad, Corn, Fruit Crisp

Assorted Juice FRIDAY - Cinnamon Roll, Cheese Sandwich, Chips, Raw

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DAY TUESDAY - Breakfast Burrito, TUESDAY - Salisbury Steak, w/ Brown Gravy, Mashed Potatoes, WEDNESDAY- Beef-Cheese

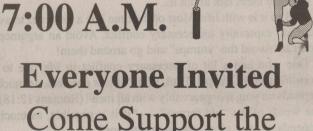
> Vegies w/Dip, Diced Pears FRIDAY-Beef or Chicken Patty on Bun, Lettuce-Tomato-Pickles,

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# Festival noted Sept. 20-24

of Texas' finest talent as it brings chef Ty Thoren of the Gaylord together authors from across Texas Resort. The Brown Bag the state during the fifth annual lunch series features authors and West Texas Book and Author publishers who will speak at three Festival September 20-24, 2005. free noontime programs at the Friends of the Abilene Public ber 21-23, and children's au-Library and the Abilene Reporter-News, raises public awareness of books being published in September 23. Texas authors Texas, and celebrates reading and writing in West Texas while helping to build community-wide emphasis on literacy. Readers will be snuggling up with their favorite books in between festival workshops and sessions throughout the week. The festival will culminate with an extensive day of festivities on Saturday, September 24, at the generation Texan and press sec-Abilene Civic Center.

Some of the best-known and thors include Austin humorist Liz Carpenter, noted Western author Elmer Kelton from San Angelo, Dallas author Rena Pederson, and children's authors Jan Peck and David Davis. The week-long festival activities include workshops, a cookbook gala, panel discussions and more. Most events are free of charge.

The Texas Cookbook Gala, a Country Club on September 22, raises funds for the Abilene Public Library. Texas celebrity chefs,

Abilene is rounding up some and Nola McKey, and executive The festival, presented by the Abilene Public Library Septemthors will present programs at eight elementary schools on and publishers will display, sell and sign books, and hold panel discussions on Saturday from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. in the Civic Center exhibit hall.

The A.C. Greene Award will be presented to Liz Carpenter at the Boots & Books Luncheon, priced at \$25pp, at the Civic Center on September 24. Carpenter, a sixth retary to former First Lady, Lady Bird Johnson, wrote Ruffles and respected authors across Texas Flourishes in 1969, her account will be featured, along with new, of her White House experiences. emerging talent. Featured au- Her other books include Unplanned Parenthood, Getting Better All the Time and her latest book, Start with a Laugh. Speakers at the luncheon include Carpenter, and retired Texas Ranger Joaquin Jackson and his co-author of One Ranger, David Marion Wilkinson. Previous winners are John Graves. Walt McDonald, Elmer Kelton and Sandra Brown

The festivals have raised a toformal dinner held at the Abilene tal of more than \$60,000 for library programs in the first four years, with more than 1,000 readers and writers attending world-class food and Texas the various sessions throughout wines highlight the Gala, priced the festival week each year. For at \$100-\$150pp. Featured information call (325) 676-6328 speakers at the Gala are cook- or visit the West Texas Book and book authors Rebecca Rather Author Festival Web site at (the Pastry Queen), Robb Walsh www.abilenetx.com/apl.

# West Texas Book & Author USDA asking for input on upcoming Farm Bill

The U.S. Department of Agri- global markets? culture is asking for your help in identifying ways to address agricultural issues in the next Farm Bill. The 2002 Farm Bill (offi- ers? cially entitled the Farm Security and Rural Investment Act of 2002) authorizes many USDA programs, including farm price and income support programs. New legislation will need to be enacted prior to the bill's expiration in 2007.

USDA intends to develop recommendations for the new farm bill and believes that public in- bill? put is essential to this process. Written comments may be submitted to USDA online at www.usda.gov/farmbill. Select "Comment on the 2007 Farm Bill", which is the last item located in the middle section, to by mail to the following ad-

USDA Farm Bill: Secretary of Agriculture Mike Johanns; Office of the Executive Secretariat, Room 116-A, Jamie L. Whitten Federal Building, 1400 Independence Avenue SW. Washington, DC 20250-3355.

In order for your input to be responses no later than Dec.

1. How should farm policy address any unintended consegeneration of farmers from en-

tering production agriculture? petitiveness and our country's ton, DC 20250-3355

(Baird, TX)-Aug 24, 2005 - ability to effectively compete in

3. How should farm policy be designed to effectively and fairly distribute assistance to produc-

4. How can farm policy best achieve conservation and environmental goals?

5. How can Federal rural and farm programs provide effective assistance in rural areas?

6. How should agricultural product development, marketing and research-related issues be addressed in the next farm

Senior USDA officials will host issue-specific forums throughout the nation focusing on these six questions. In addition additional forums will address conservation, rural development and nutrition issues. During these send your message. You can specialty forums, the public will also send your written comments be asked to respond to questions that are tailored to those subject areas. These questions will be announced prior to the specialty forums and published on the USDA website.

The dates, locations and times of the forums will be announced as they are scheduled and posted on the USDA website. Information on the forums can also be considered, please send your obtained by calling any USDA

NOTE: All comments, includ-Comments should address one ing names and addresses, proor more of these six questions: vided by respondents are a matter of public record. Comments may be viewed at the Departquences and ensure that such ment of Agriculture. To make consequences do not discour- arrangements to view comage new farmers and the next ments, please contact the Office of the Executive Secretariat, Room 116A, Jamie L. Whitten 2. How should farm policy be Federal Building, 1400 Independesigned to maximize U.S. com- dence Avenue SW., Washing5-Cross Plains Review September 1, 2005

#### Diabetes survivor shares story of hope, determination and triumph in new book

vivor Shares a Story of Hope, a New Book: One of the Longest Diabetic Duration Autobiographies yet Published Denison, TX - (August 11, 2005) - The diagnosis of diabetes is a devastating reality to face. To the general public, "diabetes" signifies grief, hopelessness, medical complications, and a reduced life-span. But in the enlightening new book, Converging Hope, diabetes survivor Professor William J. David tells a different

Here, David chronicles his truesixty-seven years, revealing a moving story of adversity hope, determination, and the miracle thrust on him and on his loved ones, the dangers associated with the illness, and the survival strategies that saved his life. He casts a particular focus on how he survived diabetes at different Miracles of Medicine.

survivable and tolerable if one ing.

Diabetes is Not Always a Death makes the right choices. In these Threat A 67-year Diabetes Surpages, one will realize that, even with diabetes, normality is Determination) and Triumph in achievable and cure is within reach. Consequently, David is pledging fifty percent of his profits to diabetic and vision research and philanthropic endeavors.

**About the Author** 

David was born in Battle Creek. Michigan, in 1930, and presently resides with his wife in north Texas. They enjoy four children, three grandchildren, and two great-grandchildren. Diabetes struck at age seven, plaguing all endeavors throughout his longevity. Management life struggle with diabetes for of diabetes since 1938 generated his deep understanding of diabetic issues. Although experiencing many problems, he fiof medicine. He describes the nanced his bachelor's and thunderous impact diabetes master's degrees. He taught emotionally troubled students before earning his Ph.D. Subsequently, he pursued higher education, teaching, research, and administration. Numerous articles targeting the educationstages of his life because of the ally challenged are to his credit. The 74-year-old retired profes-In Converging Hope, David sor is a cancer survivor. His hobvalidates that diabetes is not bies include travel, fishing, garnecessarily a death threat. It is dening, and university consult-

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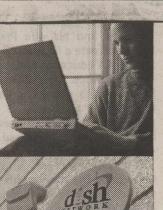
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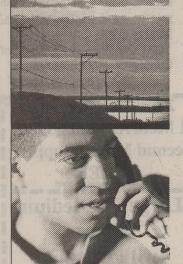












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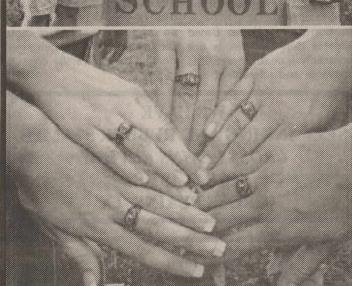
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SHOWS OFF RINGS-The Baird High School 2004-2005 girl's golf team won the Class A State Golf Tournament at Windham. Pictured far left in the Morris Williams Golf Course center picture is Baird Golf in Austin. This was the Lady Coach Clay Barnett. Bears eighth Class A state golf

LADY BEARS GOLF TEAM title in the last nine years! Pictured left to right are: Kat Johnston, Misty McDowell, Lea Sweeney, Jodi Neal and Kayla

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# Former Callahan County Tax Assessor Rod Lewallen needs funds for liver transplant

Some think of Fort Davis DMR (Davis Mountains Resort) as a retirement community. And to resident, Rodney Lewallen, it is, to some extent. Now more than ever. Retiring in 2001 from his 16 year stint as Callahan County's Chief Appraiser, Rod packed up and permanently relocated from the outskirts of Abilene to the West Texas desert mountains in search of his dream. A dream which was unfortunately lost, almost as quickly as it was attained.

Not too long ago Rodney's import/export business was featured in the El Paso Sun Times. It was an entertaining article about Insects International, a Fort Davis based operation Rod purchased in 2000 and shared with his brother, Greg. And though Rodney's health suffered during the following years, impacting his ability to work, Rod still managed to stay involved. He even managed to occasionally teach tax appraisal classes throughout the state, and offer part-time consultation when called upon by his former peers in the tax appraisal profession.

After completing an aggressive medical treatment in 2004, Rod's hepatitis C virus was successfully in remission (a virus which can result in, and accelerate, cirrhosis of the liver). Since the virus was finally inactive, acceleration of his cirrhosis would slow, if not cease all together. Though Rod was busy and things were a bit chaotic, the beginning of 2005 promised to be a good year. With a 3 year old granddaughter and another on the way, Rod looked forward to an upcoming Los Angeles insect fair and his May wedding. Everything seemed to be falling into place, despite Rod's liver disease. His dreams were becoming a reality. And virtually all of Rod's family were making the May Fort Davis trek from his Waco hometown to share in his happiness. That is, until the

nightmare began. Less than one week before guests were to start arriving in Fort Davis for the wedding, they were called and informed that Rodney was hospitalized. Profuse internal bleeding had become shockingly evident and Rodney was rushed to Alpine, then given 5 units of blood while being flown to an Abilene hospital for an emergency procedure (Ironically, Rod likely contracted HCV from a blood transfusion while hospitalized in 1979 after an auto accident).

Shortly after admission to ICU, the bleeding was finally stopped but Rodney's condition was grave. His liver disease had escalated to hemorrhaging varicies; a serious end-liver disease condition. Rod was comatose in intensive care and chances of recovery were improbable. Shocked and devastated by the drastic change of events, loved ones quickly changed their plans and traveled to Abilene to see Rodney; some to say their goodbyes, all hopeful he would live.

So what had happened? Why had Rodney's condition accelerated and so rapidly reached end-liver disease status? The reasons soon became clear. It was an accumulation of causes which impacted Rodney so severely; mental stress, physical exertion, chemical exposure and lack of medical attention had taken their toll. The virus was back. The liver had all but shut down, effecting the function of every other vital organ. Even if Rodney woke from his coma, would his heart, lungs, kidneys and most importantly his brain, function adequately, if at all? There were

no answers. Rodney remained mentally unresponsive and physically unstable in virtually every aspect. On the seventh day doctors had scheduled another brain scan and neurological testing; both of which were miraculously preempted by Rodney's unexpected responses. He finally responded to his doctor. Though his eyes remained closed and a breathing tube prohibited speech, Rodney was answering questions by nodding. Rodney was finally coming out of the coma. And his fiance, daughter, and mother couldn't have been more elated. They'd been with Rod 24/7 since his arrival at the hospital and finally their most fervent prayers were being answered. Rodney was waking.

By the next day Rodney's breathing tube was removed, his vitals were stabilized, and he quickly proved healthy brain function by frequently mimicking Forrest Gump, "My mama told me life is like a box of chocolates. You never know what you're gonna get". Rod was poking fun at himself and his inability to speak normally. He most certainly had his facul-

Though he struggled to speak clearly, Rod was good humored and seemingly on his way to initial recovery. So on the very date originally planned for his Fort Davis wedding, Rod insisted on a marriage ceremony. So, with 12 family members and an Abilene hospital chaplain crowded into ICU, Rodney and his fiance Phyllis were married (only 3 days after waking from the coma). And by midnight, Rod was moved to a private hospital room with a roll-away bed; a "honeymoon suite" where he and his new wife would reside for another 3 weeks.

In those following weeks, Rodney and Phyllis experienced extreme ups and downs. The hepatitis C virus they'd worked so hard to eradicate, was active again and Rod's condition became a lengthy roller coaster ride. While suffering and surviving multiple additional life threatening complications, both Rod and his wife managed to cope. They dealt with legalities, business affairs and financial obligations while juggling medical logistics and their own emotions. But in that relatively short process, their lives changed drasti-

Rodney and Phyllis are now back in Fort Davis, and though they're happy to finally be home, they can't live in their small mountainside cabin anymore because of its isolation (in the event of emergency). Nor can they move forward with their modest home building plans. Rod doesn't own a part of Insects International anymore, as he is unable to work as needed, and the exposure to the related chemicals pose added health dangers. In addition to their monthly medical check up excursions to Abilene, and daily monitoring of stress, diet, vitals and activity, Rodney and Phyllis now focus on the logistics of a needed liver transplant; the priority of which is meeting the

In order to receive a new liver, meeting advance requirements is necessary: medical evaluation, transplant list inclusion and premedication. All of which needs to be done before Rodney suffers another emergency. Since Rodney's condition escalated to esophageal varicies, further hemorrhaging could be even more life threatening than his recent episode. Although another bleeding episode could place Rod at the top of the list for an emergency transplant, the surgery will not happen if he has not already met the advance requirements.

The fact is, it's not easy to get on the transplant list if uninsured. There are financial aide possibilities, including disability and Medicaid, but they take time, crucial time. So, the quickest and most sure way of moving forward with a transplant is via a \$200,000 hospital deposit. With current medical expenses exceeding \$170,000, money has now become the primary obstacle in obtaining this lifesaving procedure.

Facing the realities of the situation has been very difficult. Rod's wife, Phyllis Arp-Lewallen, his daughter Lauren Monsey, and his mother Bettye Morris have founded a non-charitable organization on Rodney's behalf, the Lewallen Liver Fund. Donations are beginning to trickle in, and many of Rod's family and friends have joined in on the fundraising process. Prayers were answered and Rodney beat all odds by surviving his recent episode. And although his sister-in-law, Tammy Lewallen, shares Rod's blood type and has offered to be a live liver donor, time is running out. How you can help...

1) Make a cash or monetary donation.

2) Attend or contribute to an upcoming fundraiser.

Help organize a benefit

event or donate a service.

4) Pray, empathize and re-



DAY BLUES- Former Callahan County Tax Appraiser Rod day with wife Phyllis Arp Lewallen following a hospital newspaper. wedding, three days after

NEW TWIST ON WEDDING awaking from a coma. Rod's very sick and in need of a liver transplant. Fundraisers and a Lewallen celebrates his wedding fund have been set up for Rodney. See other articles in this



HOSPITAL WEDDING DAY CELEBRATION- Former Callahan County Tax Appraiser Rod Lewallen celebrates his

wedding day in the hospital, Pictured with Rod are his son-inlaw, daughter, 2 grandchildren and wife Phyllis.

main positive! Did you know? Hepatitis C

is known to have infected up to 170 million persons worldwide. may have already infected 4 million Americans. is a leading cause in the rejec-

tion of donated blood.

is the leading cause of cirrhosis and results in most of the liver transplants in the U.S. is generally not screened for

during annual medical check may be transmitted by sharing

razor blades, toothbrushes, and nail clippers. is a risk for those who received

blood transfusion before 1992. Lewallen Liver Fund P.O. Box 1632 Fort Davis, Texas 79734

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Waco: 254-666-5014 Rodney and his wife Phyllis

hope to create a foundation for future HCV education and medical assistance. The Lewallen Liver Fund is not a charitable organization so donations are not tax deductable. However, income tax is not imposed on donations to the Fund.

Rod Lewallen is known throughout the state for his expertise in property tax appraisal. In past years he regularly taught appraisal classes in Abilene, Alpine, Amarillo, Austin, Bandera. Corpus Christi, El Paso, Lubbock, Pecos, Tyler, Witchita Falls and numerous other small Texas counties. And, within the entomology field, Rodney is also known throughout the country as the "West Texas bug man."

For further information, contact Phyllis Arp-Lewallen at 432-426-3344.

# Winters Dove Fest Set for Saturday, September 3rd

Winters Dove Fest 2005 will be Saturday, September 3, at the Winters Community Center and Park, located at 300 FM 1770, just off of U.S. 83. This event features lots of activities, including a "Hunter Appreciation Barbecue Lunch". There will be something of interest for the entire family.

Activities include a barbecue meal, musical entertainment, wildlife displays, a raffle for guns, business exhibits, auctions and lots of door prizes. A "Dove Hunt" in conjunction with the West Texas Rehabilitation Center will be available for bird hunters needing a place to hunt and a "Clay Pigeon Fun Shoot will be hosted by the Winters 4-H.

New for 2005 will be the

Winters Gun & Knife Show to be held in downtown Winters. Gun dealers from all over Texas will have displays of merchandise for sale or trade.

The cost of the meal if \$7.00 per person and active military with ID eat for free.

Hunters interested in participating in the "Day Dove Hunt" call (325) 793-3507 or (325) 660-8334. Information on the "Clay Pigeon Fun Shoot" can be obtained by calling (325) 754-5243. Gun Show Exhibitors call (325) 660-8240. Hunters interested in hunting leases can go to www.winterstexas.us/ hunting.htm.

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appreciated. A total of \$26,000.00 is construct the memorial and

# **Ben Richey Boys Ranch**

We are gearing up for our 5th hunt there will be a dinner with all 3, 10 and 17 benefitting the Ben Richey Boys Ranch.

On September 3 and 10 from 3 hunting only. September 17 regto 3 p.m. Sporting Clay Shoot is 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. with Dove Hunting from 3 p.m. to dusk. After the

Annual Dove Hunt on September the fixin's plus a live and silent auction.

For additional information call Ben Richey Boys Ranch (325) p.m. to dusk there will be dove 692-2500 or Andy Esparza (325) 692-0377, or visit the web site istration will be held from 11 a.m. www.bengolfhunt.com. Credit cards are accepted at the event.

> Submitted by **Betty Grider** Volunteer

# ATTENTION DOVE HUNTERS Library Flea Market offers Annual Hunt Benefitting the "Christmas in September"

Christmas sale on September 17. Boxes of decorations, books, clothes, Christmas trees, lights, etc. will be unpacked and donate your decorations, etc. to displayed for your shopping the Library, please call (254) 725-

opportune twist for everybody same number. who has a few "I loved 'em, but no longer want to use 'em" Christmas items. If you have Library. some items to dispose of, but not

Always the group to be thinking enough to do your own booth, you ahead, the vendors at the Flea are encouraged to donate the items Market are planning a giant to the Library. The money from such sales will go directly to the Library.

To make arrangements to 4993. Information about renting The special sale day has another booth space is available at the

> As always, thank you for your on-going support of your local

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#### Commissioners

—Commissioner Farmer made a motion to approve Judge Corn lifting the Burn Ban for Callahan County. Judge Corn seconded the motion and it carried by a 5-

-Judge Corn made a motion to accept the list of Election Judge and Alternate Judges presented for the August 2005 through July 2006 elections. Commissioner Grider seconded and the motion carried by a 5-0

Election Judges and Alternates

Clyde Precinct #1: Susan McCool, and Silas Tucker. Eula Precinct #2: Joy Fiscus,

and Pat Logan. Baird Precinct #3: Linda

Cross Plains Precinct #4: Meta Isenhower, and Betty Petty. Clyde Precinct #6: Sharon Gage, and Fannie Froman.

Oplin Precinct #7: Trent Gee, and Shirley Landers. Ballot Board Judge: Dorthy

-Commissioner Grider made a motion to approve the list of Polling Places for the August 2005-2006 election period. Commissioner Hicks seconded and the motion carried by a 5-0

Polling places for the 2005-2006 election season include: Precinct #1 Clyde Lions Club Building, FM 18 & Rusk Street. Precinct #2 Eula Lions Club Building, FM 603 South, Eula.

Precinct #3 Baird Housing Authority, 401 Chestnut, Baird. Precinct #4 Cross Plains Community Center, 9th & Beech, Cross Plains.

Precinct #5 Putnam Community Center, 120 West Travis, Putnam.

Precinct #6 Clyde Southside Baptist Church, FM 604 South,

Precinct #7 Oplin Community Center, FM 604 South, Oplin. Early Voting at Baird Courthouse Room #107, 100 West 4th Street, Baird.

Branch Early Voting at Clyde Justice of Peace Office, 208 Oak Street, Clyde.

Branch Early Voting at Cross Plains Justice of Peace Office, 424 South Main, Cross Plains.

—Commissioner Farmer made a motion to authorize the Veterans County Services Officer to attend the 58th Annual Statewide Training Conference. Judge Corn seconded the motion and it carried by a 5-0 vote. The 58th Annual Statewide Training Conference will be conducted by the Texas Veterans Commission October 11-14 in

-Pat Forbes met with the commissioners' court to discuss the condition of County Road 462 and County Road 470 located in Precinct #4 when it rains. Commissioner Grider assured Ms. Forbes she would do what she could with what she had to help with the problem.

-Commissioner Grider made a motion to pay all approved bills. Commissioner Farmer seconded and the motion carried by a 5-0 vote.

-Commissioner Farmer made a motion to adjourn the commissioners' court meeting at 10:35 a.m. Commissioner Holland seconded and the motion carried by a 5-0 vote.

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#### **Application Deadline for 2005 Livestock Assistance Program is September 9**

According to Robert Frost, Executive Director for the Callahan County Farm Service Agency (FSA), September 9, 2005 will be final date to signup for 2003 Livestock Assistance Program (LAP) benefits. LAP provides relief to livestock producers who suffered grazing losses in 2003 due to drought, serve weather and related causes. Producers of dairy and beef cattle; bison and beefalo; goats; swine; sheep; and certain equine, elk and reindeer are now eligible to participate in

To qualify for LAP, grazing land must be located in a county designated as a primary disaster county under a presidential or secretarial disaster declaration. The declaration must have been approved on or after January 1, 2003, for a disaster occurring through December 31, 20-04. LAP benefits are not available for contiquous counties.

Eligible applicants must have control of adequate grazing land to support the eligible livestock and possess beneficial interest in eligible livestock that

have been owned or leased for

at least three months. During

2003, livestock producers must

have suffered a 40 percent or

greater loss of grazing produc-

tion for three or more consecutive months due to natural disasters.

When applying for LAP benefits, producers should be prepared to provide detailed information about livestock numbers, weight range, share and forage type as well as an estimated percent of loss, said

LAP payments will be based on the lesser of the livestock feed allowance of the pasture value. For livestock that were sold in the course of routine business, eligible applicants will receive benefits for those animals only up to the date of sale. A payment limitation of \$40,000 per person applies, and individuals whose gross revenue exceeds \$2.5 million are ineligible for program ben-

For more information on LAP including eligibility criteria and application process, please contact the Callahan County FSA at (325) 854-1049 ext. 2 or visit the national FSA web www.fsa.usda.gov. Livestock producers can also visit our County webpage at the following address to receive program information: http:// www.fsa.usda.gov/tx/ Callahan.htm.

# NOTICE OF PUBLIC **HEARING ON BUDGET**

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The board of directors of the Callahan Appraisal District will conduct a public hearing on the proposed 2006 budget. The hearing will be held at 7:00 p.m. in the Appraisal District offices at 132 West Fourth in Baird, Texas on Monday, September 12th, 2005. The 2006 budget proposal follows:

**Total Proposed Budget** 

\$287,945

This represents a 4.5% increase over the 2005 budget of \$275,546

Number of employees compensated in 2005

Number of employees compensated in 2006 5

The Callahan County Appraisal District is supported solely by payments from the local taxing units served by the district. If approved by the Appraisal District board of directors at the public hearing, this proposed budget will take effect automatically unless disapproved by the governing bodies of the county, school districts, cities and towns served by the Appraisal District. A copy of the proposed budget is available for public inspection in the office of each of those governing bodies.

Bun Barry, R.T.A., R.P.A., C.T.A. Chief Appraiser, Callahan Appraisal District





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# Grant funds available thru TRC

munities, Inc. (TRC), today announced the availability of it's onstrated success and achieved annual \$10,000 Texas Rural Best Award. The grant is designed to recognize and reward rural Texans who find innovative ways to address difficult local issues.

Texas Rural Communities, Inc., a nonprofit organization, serves rural Texas communities, individuals and groups, and supports organizations through rural economic development, educational loan and grant programs. The organization has given away \$40,000 over the past four years to resourceful small town Texans.

"We've recognized groundbreaking Texans for four years through our Texas Rural Best program. We've been delighted with the number of programs throughout the state that have submitted applications," explained Sandra Tenorio, TRC's ans have a well-earned reputation of working hard to find innovative solutions to local needs. Our mission is to recognize, reward and learn from those innovations.'

Rural Texans who live in an boundary of any city having a

and have a project that has demoutcomes for at least one year are encouraged to apply for the no-strings attached grant. Applications for the prize must be addressed to TRC in Austin, and postmarked no later than October 14, 2005:

To date, awarded projects include collaborations, partner- nectivity in two disadvantaged ships, education and training endeavors.

Shackelford County Community Resource Center was the first recipient of the award in 2001. The Center was recognized for consolidating services in a one-stop setting, housing approximately 45 agencies, services and programs in an old nursing home.

In 2002, Teach For America, located in the Rio Grande Valley, was awarded the grant for building a movement to elimi-Executive Director. "Rural Tex- nate educational inequality by calling upon future leaders to commit two years to teaching in low-income urban and rural communities

The 2003 award went to the El Paso Collaborative for Community and Economic Developarea that is not within the outer ment, which, in partnership with the National Endowment for Financial Education, developed college students.

Austin-The Texas Rural Com-population of 100,000 or more innovative and culturally sensitive financial literacy manuals to educate colonia residents about budgeting, saving and borrowing money

> LOCK.NET, a library outreach program located in Lockhart (Caldwell County), received the grant in 2004. The program provides one-on-one computer and printer training and Internet conneighborhoods in the community. Computer and Internet training is provided in both Spanish and English at four local neighborhood churches and the Head Start facility and is absolutely free to any resident.

Texas Rural Best Award application procedures may be downloaded from the website at: www.texasrural.org or contact TRC at 512-219-0468 or toll free 800-787-2589 for a 2-page copy of the application proce-

TRC is a non-profit organization created in 1934 to resettle the family farmer after the depression. The organization continues to serve farmers and ranchers by offering loans in conjunction with the Farm Service Agency. TRC also finances small business loans and student and parent loans for rural

#### Callahan County **DPS Report**

Calls received by the Callahan County Department of Public Safety from August 21, 2005 through August 27, 2005 include:

Cases Investigated Warnings—95 Complaints—131 DWI-2

Driving While License Invalid—1 Minor in Possession of To-

Possession of Drug Paraphernalia-1

Vehicle Accidents There was one vehicle accident investigated during this time span.

# **Alarming** number of **Parvovirus** infections reported recently

There has been an alarming number of Parvovirus infections diagnosed in this area in the last

Canine Parvovirus is a viral disease of dogs which is capable of causing two different sets of clinical problems. The first to be recognized, and the most common, is the "intestinal form" which is manifested by bloody diarrhea, vomiting, loss of appetite, depression and often death. The second to be recognized is the "cardiac form" which occurs in very young pups and is manifested by an acute inflammation of the heart

Any age, breed or sex of dog can be affected by Parvovirus. Several factors such as age, environment, stress, parasites and general health status of each individual dog could affect the severity of illness. The disease is usually more severe in very young dogs or old dogs. Early, vigorous treatment of the illness is imperative since vomiting and diarrhea can lead to dehydration and chemical imbalance in the body

Control of Parvovirus by sanitation measures alone is extremely difficult because the virus is such a resistant, hardy organism and because it is so easily spread. Parvovirus is transmitted through contact with the feces of an infected dog. The virus can be carried on the dog's hair and feet, as well as on contaminated cages. shoes, dirt or other objects. The virus can survive in the environment for three to four months. Although moderately effective, isolation of infected dogs is one method of control. Just as any other virus, only vaccination of susceptible animals will control the actual source of infection.

A properly immunized dog will have circulating protection in the blood that will destroy Parvovirus following exposure.

It is important to begin vaccination at an early age, repeating every two to three weeks until the puppy is at least fourteen to sixteen weeks of age. Adult dogs should receive two doses of vaccine, given three to four weeks apart for maximum protection. All dogs should receive an annual booster vaccination to assure an enduring immunity.

dog Comparing the population in this area to the number of Parvovirus infections that have been diagnosed, we have an infection percentage comparable to or higher than other areas in the state. Prevention by vaccination is very inexpensive compared to treating the disease!

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# COURTHOUSE NEWS

COUNTY COURT Roger Corn, Presiding

Misdemeanor Filings

Blanco Rodriguez, driving while intoxicated (DWI). Lisa Garcia, theft by check. James Brian Collier, theft by

Chrystal Turner, criminal trespassing

Susan H. McCloud, DWI. David Flores II, Ct. I - DWI, Ct. II - possession of marijuana. Sandra J. Woods, DWI. Cynthia R. Hagar, DWI. John W. Freeman, posses-

sion of marijuana. Billy K. Freeman, possession of marijuana.

Jimmie D. Mitchell, driving while license invalid (DWLI). Maria Anna Girtz, assault. lan T. Steelman, assault. Michael E. Nichols, possession of marijuana. Kimberly S. Woods, posses-

sion of marijuana. Mark Johnson, Jr., DWLI.

Misdemeanor Minutes

Richardo Salinas, affidavit of surety to surrender and issuance of warrant granted.

Marriage Licenses

Caleb Aaron Chapman of Farmersville and Jennifer Marie Freiman of Clyde.

> **42nd DISTRICT COURT** John Weeks, presiding

Criminal Indictment

Rebekah A. Hawkins, injury to a child.

Criminial Information & Complaints

Grady C. Wellmaker, burglary of a building. Kimberly H. Deleon, forgery Travis R. Byram, theft.

Civil Filings

Jessica Michael Fomby and Rick Joseph Walters, divorce.

# The Haven plans volunteer information night Tuesday

A "volunteer information night" is scheduled for The Haven at 6:30 p.m. until 8:00 p.m.

The Haven, an outreach of Promise Helpers Women's Ministry, is a faith-based pregnancy assistance center and women's center offering free, confidential pregnancy tests, life-affirming options and practical assistance for those facing unplanned pregnancies.

The Haven also offers parenting classes, mentoring programs, classes in life skills, book and Bible studies, retreats for teenage girls, Christian book and Bible studies, and prayer & fel- mation.

lowship for all women.

Angel Food is also operated 222 Archer Street in Clyde for through The Haven. At The Ha-Tuesday, September 6th, from ven, we are women reaching out to women in real life, everyday, situations, offering God's love and power to bring hope and to change lives.

The Haven is open Monday Thursday 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Friday 9:00 a.m. - Noon, and Thursday evenings 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

If you want to learn how you can get involved or become a volunteer, please join the Haven for this volunteer information

Call 893-3777 for more infor-

# Texas joins national crackdown on impaired driving

Arkansas, Louisiana, New Impaired driving is one of Mexico, Oklahoma, Texas, and 19 until September 5, Texas will join the "You Drink & Drive. You Lose" national crackdown on the criminal offense of alcohol Regional Administrator Georgia S. Chakiris of the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA).

"During the Labor Day Weekend, there will be thousands of law enforcement officers out taking care of business, getting drunk drivers off the road and into jail. Don't be one of them, she said.

According to NHTSA records, 47 percent of Texas' crash fatalities in 2003 were alcohol re-

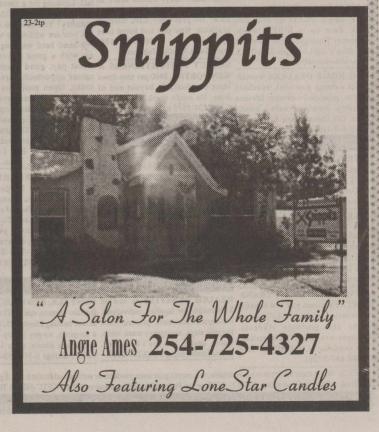
Traffic Safety Director of the Texas Department of Transportation Terry Pence said, "Every year too many fathers, sons, mothers, and daughters do not be strictly enforcing the state's driving.org/. impaired driving laws."

America's deadliest crimes. Nathe Indian Nations-From August tionally in 2003, more than 13,000 people died in impaireddriving-related traffic crashes involving a driver with an alcohol level at or above the legal impaired driving, according to limit of 0.08. Every 31 minutes, or about 46 times a day, someone in America dies in an alcohol-related crash. Hundreds of thousands more are injured each year. According to NHTSA. nearly one in every three Americans will be involved in an alcohol-related crash at some point in their lives.

> Ms. Chakiris said, "Our message around this Labor Day weekend is simple. If you get caught driving impaired, there will be no warnings - no excuses. Law enforcement will arrest you. You Drink & Drive. You Lose.

For more information on impaired driving prevention and resources communities can use come home because of impaired to reduce deaths and injuries, drivers. That's the reason we will visit www.stopimpaired-

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Barb's Cues By Barbara Holmes Worcester

I haven't thought about "fender skirts" in years. When I was a kid, I considered it such a funny

Thinking about "fender skirts" started me thinking about other words that quietly disappear from our language with hardly a

term. Made me think of a car in

Fender skirts

Like "curb feelers" and "steering knobs." Since I'd been thinking of cars, my mind naturally went that direction first.

find some elderly person over 50 to explain some of these terms to you.

Remember "Continental kits?"

ers and spare tire covers that were supposed to make any car as cool as a Lincoln Continental.

"emergency brake."

feed."

When did we quit calling them the quaint phrase "in a family telethon that wiped out lum-"emergency brakes?" At some way?" It's hard to imagine that bago? Nobody complains of that point parking brake became the word pregnant was once

I'm sad, too, that almost all the old folks are gone who would ing in a family way" or simply call the accelerator the "foot

time in my youth but never anymore "store-bought." Of course, just about everything is storebought these days. But once it was bragging material to have a store bought dress or a storebought bag of candy. "Coast to coast" is a phrase

Here's a phrase I heard all the

that once held all sorts of excitement and now means almost nothing. Now we take the term "worldwide" for granted. This

On a smaller scale, "wall-to-Any kids will probably have to wall" was once a magical term in our homes. In the '50s, everyone covered his or her hardwood floors with, wow, wall-towall carpeting! Today, every-They were rear bumper extend- one replaces their wall-to-wall carpeting with hardwood floors.

When's the last time you heard the proper term. But I miss the considered a little too graphic, a castor oil cured, because I never hint of drama that went with little too clinical for use in polite hear mothers threatening their company. So we had all that talk about stork visits and "be-

"expecting." Apparently "brassiere" is a Didn't you ever wait at the word no longer in usage. I said it street for your daddy to come the other day and my daughter home, so you could ride the cracked up. I guess it's just "bra"

"running board" up to the house? now. "Unmentionables" prob-

ably wouldn't be understood at

It's hard to recall that this word was once said in a whisper "divorce." And no one is called a "divorcee" anymore. Certainly not a "gay divorcee." Come to think of it, "confirmed bachelors" and "career girls" are long gone, too.

I always loved going to the "picture show," but I considered "movie" an affectation.

Most of these words go back to the '50s, but here's a pure-'60s word I came across the other day - "rat fink." Ooh, what a nasty put down!

Here's a word I miss - "percolator." That was just a fun word to say. And what was it replaced with? "Coffeemaker." How dull. Mr. Coffee, I blame you for this. I miss those made-up marketing words that were meant to sound so modern and now sound so retro. Words like "Dyna Flow" and Electraluxe." Introducing the 1963 Admiral TV, now with

'SpectraVision!" Food for thought - Was there a anymore. Maybe that's what kids with castor oil anymore.

Some words aren't gone, but are definitely on the endangered list. The one that grieves me most "supper." Now everybody says "dinner." Save a great word. Invite someone to supper.

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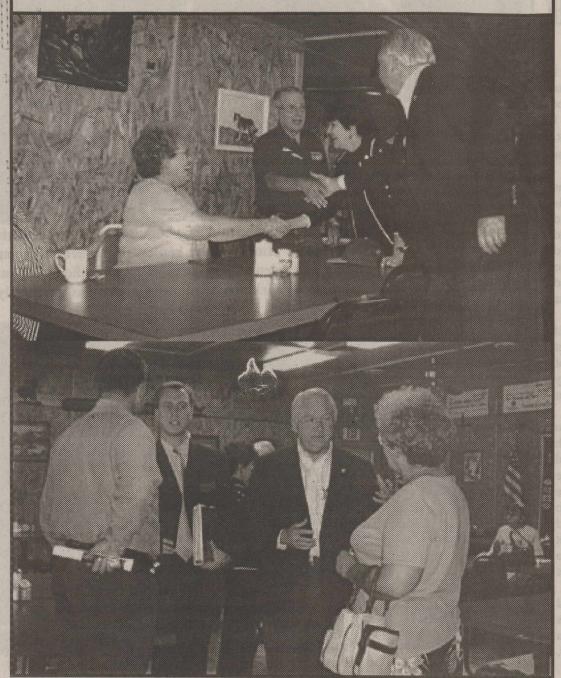
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# Heartworms in dogs prevalent

months. Cats are rarely affected. Dogs and cats with heartworm disease can show a variety of symptoms. Infected animals may tire easily and be short of breath. Their physical condition may deteriorate and symptoms of heart failure and adnormal heart sounds. Life span is often shortened in untreated animals which are severely or even moderately infected. Because heartworms normally live in the pulmonary artery and heart, they can block flow. Some dogs and cats that exhibit little of no sign of the disease may collapse and die following strenuous exercise. Some mildly infected animals may show no symptoms at all and live an apparently normal

Heartworms cannot be transferred directly from one animal

adult heartworm produces immature worms called microfilariae which move throughout the circulatory system. Microfilaria in the blood of an infected dog or cat are ingested by a mosquito, then the mosquito injects the microfilaria into anvae to develop in the muscle and subcutaneous tissue. Microfilaria then migrate to the heart. The life cycle is completed in another 2-3 months when the adult heartworm be-

Consult with your veterinarian before implementing any type of heartworm control program. Some risks are evolved in the prevention and treatment of heartworm disease. There are relatively inexpensive preventive drugs available to be used before and during the mosquito season. While these drugs may

be recommended for non-inhazardous to animals that have. circulating microfilaria. If the veterinarian finds evidence of heartworms, treatment consists of medication to kill the adult heartworm followed by another medication to destroy the microfilaria. Any drug used in heartworm prevention or treatment must be used under the direction and supervision of

I detected early, heartworm

#### New traffic, criminal laws set to go into effect September 1

laws that go into effect on September 1 (unless noted otherwise) include the following:

HB 183 states that all children younger than 5 years of age (old the use of motor assisted scootlaw was younger than 4) and less than 36 inches tall are reseat infractions as moving violations for the first time.

SB 1257 prohibits use of wireless communications devices for violating the laws for trans-(including cell phones) for the first six months after teenagers mercial vehicles. get their driver licenses. The bill using wireless communications devices, except in emergencies or when the bus is stopped.

driver license (DL) suspension m.p.h. to 25 m.p.h. in certain for a person convicted of pro- instances. This bill took effect viding alcohol to a minor (one immediately. year for second offense), and one year for minors who are convicted of a second alcohol

misdemeanor if a person drives around a barricade where a warnhighway. It also specifically creates a traffic violation for driving around a barricade put in the

commits a traffic offense classified as a moving violation, the ber of uninsured drivers. judge must require the driver to and, if the driver holds a proviyears of age), submit to a DPS road test.

son commits a traffic offense if median or adjacent area of a vehicle to an area that mini- mation. mizes interference with freeway traffic (assuming the vehicle is

Notable traffic and criminal .15 or more (upon conviction). HB 1596 clarifies the definition of neighborhood electric vehicles and motor assisted scooters and allows municipalities to regulate ers on roadways and sidewalks.

SB 1257 disqualifies a person quired to be in a child safety seat from operating a commercial system. It also classifies safety motor vehicle if the person's driving is determined to constitute an imminent hazard.

HB 754 allows fines up to \$500 porting loose material in com-

SB 1258 specifies that an origialso prohibits passenger bus nal commercial driver license or drivers transporting minors from commercial driver learner's permit expires in five years instead of six years.

HB 87 allows cities to lower HB 1357 creates a six month residential speed limits from 30

HB 2257 allows the TxDOT increases the DL suspension to commission to establish a daytime speed limit of 80 miles per hour on I-10 or I-20 in Crockett, Culberson, Hudspeth, Jeff Davis, HB 1481 makes it a Class B Kerr, Kimble, Pecos, Reeves, Sutton or Ward counties. If established, this speed does not ing sign or barricade has been apply to truck tractors, trailers, placed because water is over semi trailers, or trucks, other any portion of a road, street or than light trucks and light trucks pulling a trailer. This bill took effect immediately.

SB 1670 requires the Departroadway because of dangerous ment of Insurance, in conjunction with TxDOT and other agen-SB 1005 provides that if a driver cies, to establish a verification younger than 25 years of age program for vehicle insurance in of proof on prosecutors to prove order to try and reduce the num-

HB 120 creates an organ docomplete a driving safety course nor education and registry program. Eventually, Texans will sional driver license (under 18 be able to indicate their wish to become an organ donor when they are issued or renew their HB 1484 specifies that a per-driver license or ID card.

SB 122 requires peace officers they are involved in a crash on to report notification of ID theft the main lane, ramp, shoulder, to their employing agency. It provides penalties for the unaufreeway and don't move their thorized use of personal infor-

HB 699 increases the penalty for using someone else's DL or HB 51 requires an ignition in- ID card to a Class A misdeterlock device if a driver's blood meanor. It also clarifies that use the enrolled version in the regualcohol level is determined to be of a false ID by someone under

21 for purchase of alcohol is a Class C misdemeanor.

HB 1239 makes DPS more involved with drug task forces operating in Texas, including any "multi-county" drug task forces. (Effective August 1.)

HB 164 places restrictions on the sale of pseudoephedrine products and allows children exposed to meth production to be removed from the home (Effective August 1.)

HB 867 eliminates mandatory newspaper notification for sex offenders. Another provision deals with postcard notification for high-risk sex offenders. DPS is now required to send the postcards to all addresses within the distribution area, except post office boxes. Prior law specified residential addresses only.

HB 1068 creates an independent commission with investigational oversight involving complaints against DNA crime labs in the state. It also requires DNA sampling from some 60,000 current Texas prison inmates who do not have DNA profiles in the CODIS (Combined DNA Index System) data-

HB 823 describes the conditions under which a person will be presumed to be "traveling" for the first time. It applies to people who have a handgun in their vehicle but do not have a concealed handgun license (CHL). It also places the burden the driver was "not traveling."

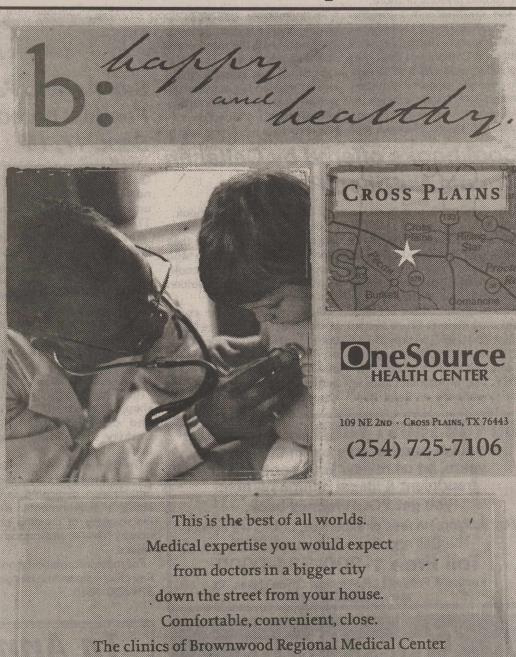
HB 225 extends the renewal time for a CHL from four to five years, which will reduce the average annual cost of a license.

HB 322 lowers the age requirement for active duty or retired members of the military applying for a CHL from 21 years of age to 18, and reduces the original license fee and any renewal fees for active duty members of the armed forces by 50 percent. HB 1038 reduces CHL renewal fees by 50 percent for anyone

The texts of these bills can be found www.capitol.state.tx.us. Select

over 60 years of age.

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are good medicine for some of the things life throws at us. Your mother's diabetes. Your husband's springtime allergies. Your baby daughter's croup. And for more than primary health services, the complete care of our hospital is always there for you. So take good care. B healthier.

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Heartworms in dogs in Calla- to another, but must spent part

han County has become more of their cycle in one of 30 differprevalent during recent ent species of mosquitoes. The pulmonary distress may be evi- other dog or cat. After the dent. These animals often have animal has been injected, 2-4 a persistent cough and months are required for the larcomes sexually mature.

fected dogs and cats, it can be a veterinarian.

disease can usually be successfully treated emphasis should be on the prevention of heartworms. Our area will likely become as heavily infested as the eastern and so thern parts of Texas if control measures are not implemented. We have diagnosed numerous cases of canine heartworms this year and with the recent rains the huge mosquito population will increase exposure. A hard winter will help decrease mosquito numbers but there is no substitution for prevention.

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# **Down Home-**

each life was to be displaced, held up to the light, the scrutiny of truth. The others rose, each in \*turn, holding up their tapestries. So filled their lives had been.

My angel looked upon me, and nodded for me to rise. My gaze dropped to the ground in shame. I hadn't had all the earthly fortunes. I had love in my life, and laughter. But there had also been trials of illness, and death, and false accusations that took from me my world as I knew it.

I had to start over many times. I often struggled with the temptation to quit, only to somehow muster the strength to pick up and begin again. I spent nights on my knees in prayer, asking for help and guidance in my life. I had often been held up to ridicule, which I endured painfully, each time offering it up to the Father in hopes that I would not melt within my skin beneath the judgmental gaze of those who unfairly judged me.

beef's nutrition and health ben-

gram and Texas Extension 4-H

The Texas Beef Council (TBC)

Aug. 4 provided updated facts

on beef's nutritional advantages

in a workshop for the Texas Association of Extension 4-H

Agents Conference in Lubbock.

The 4-H program's mission is to

prepare youngsters from 3rd to

12th grade to meet the chal-

lenges of childhood, adoles-

"TBC is making sure

tomorrow's adults grow up un-

derstanding beef's nutritional

benefits," said Erin Worrell,

TBC's communications man-

ager. "The 4-H program is a

good partner because it works

not only with rural kids, but also

with urban kids. More than 80

percent of Texas 4-H members

live in urban or suburban areas

The checkoff's 4-H involve-

of 10,000 persons or more.'

cence and adulthood.

instructors

And now, I had to face the truth. My life was what it was, and I had to accept it for what it was.

I rose and slowly lifted the combined squares of my life to the light. An awe-filled gasp filled the air.

I gazed around at the others who stared at me with wide eyes, Then, I looked upon the tapestry before me. Light flooded the many holes, creating an image, the face of Christ.

Then our Lord stood before me, with warmth and love in His eyes. He said, "Every time you gave over your life to Me, it became My life, My hardships, and My struggles. Each point of light in your life is when you stepped aside and let Me shine through. Until there was more of Me than there was of you.

My prayer is that all our quilts threadbare and worn, allowing Christ to shine through. **Author Unknown** 

those materials through the re-

Several of the new checkoff-

funded activities targeted to 8-

to 10-year-olds appear in the

nutrition manual. The topics in-

nutrient-rich foods like beef.

"Power Foods" that describe

• "Try It, You'll Like It" that

explains how to incorporate

power foods like beef in snacks

such as "Dill Pickle Wrapped in

eating correct portions of every-

day food items. This activity explains how to relate the size of

3-ounces of beef to a deck of

In addition, the physical activ-

ity manual, with checkoff infor-

mation directed to 11 - to 1 3-

year-olds, explains how nutri-

ent-rich foods fuel active

The agents also received infor-

"Eating I-Cues" with tips on

Deli Roast Beef."

lifestyles.

New beef nutrition information

Up to 1 million Texas kids will Cooperative Curriculum System.

have a better understanding of TBC is creating awareness of

efits through the cooperation of cent 4-H workshop and through

the Texas beef checkoff pro- a planned direct mail effort.

sweeps into 4-H program

### LETTER TO THE **EDITOR**

Dear Editor,

I want to tell you how much I enjoy reading the Cross Plains Review, even though I do not recognize as many names as I used to that appear in the paper, because I have not lived in Cross Plains for such a long time.

I still consider Cross Plains as my "hometown" because that is where I grew up. I attended school from the first grade and graduated from CPHS. I attend every Homecoming in order to see my friends from school and the people I still know in Cross Plains.

The people of Cross Plains had a real influence in helping to set my values and expectations of the world around me and my obligation to do and think "right or wrong".

For that reason I, in response to the letter of Mrs. Deborah Lowitzer whose letter appeared in the Review's letter to the Editor column, write to ask the people of Cross Plains to recognize their influence and their obligation to send the right message to the young people who are growing up now in Cross Plains.

We have had so many talented and gifted people from Cross Plains who have made the world a better place for their being born, that to recognize one writer, though gifted he may have been, who wrote, embraced and promoted the dark and barbaric thoughts, is to imply to the world that Cross Plains, Texas supports this thinking. To praise him sends a message to the children of Cross Plains that this is acceptable behavior.

I love Cross Plains and its people and I would like the world to know how loving wonderful its people are.

With warmest regards,

Joan Hall Kunkel

### San Angelo Fall Festival noted Sept. 17, 18

The Greater San Angelo Crafts Guild will present the 31st Annual Fall Festival slated on Saturday and Sunday, September 17 and 18.

The festival will be held at the Wells Fargo Pavilion at the San Angelo Fair Grounds located at 50 East 43rd Street. Admission is free, however don't forget to bring a can of food for the Food Bank and receive an extra door prize ticket. Parking is free.

Hourly door prizes will be awarded. Booths and trailer spaces are available.

Hand made gifts for all your shopping needs will be offered and chainsaw artist Cam Dockery will hold demonstra-

The Greater San Angelo Crafts Guild is a nonprofit educational organization dedicated to fostering an environment in which the mastery of creating products by hand is understood and valued

For more information, contact Fair chairwoman Ann Hedges at 325-650-1816.

GIFTS ABOUND—The Kellys are shown with one of three bed's full of goodies. A great variety of items were given in love and thoughtfulness. The

COMMUNITY SHOWER RECEPTION—Saturday, August 27th, local residents

hosted a party to help Janice and Jimmy Kelly replenish household items

following a house fire. Family and friends were present to wish them well on

their "new" start. Cliff and Connie Kirkham's beautiful home was graciously

provided for the event.

# couple are appreciative to everyone who remembered them at this trying time. Two New Abilene Businesses

Central Texas Workforce Center Billing Solutions is a fully is pleased to announce supported, comprehensive, additional employment opportunities for area residents with two of Abilene's newest businesses. Transcend, a new medical transcription company, began consolidating its began its hiring efforts in early operations in Abilene from its spring. The company is a Dallas headquarters and based national medical Gainesville processing center. It transcription company, with a total labor force nation-wide of 550 employees. The Abilene office is now open, and they have initiated their in-house training program. According to Lauretta Remisovsky, Training Manager for Abilene, their plans are to start a new training class each month. To qualify for the training program, applicants must have completed basic course worked in medical transcription and received a certification within the past year. In addition to new trainees, employment opportunities exist for Medical experienced Transcriptionists who would like to work from their homes.

Transcend offers highly competitive pay, as well as production incentives, shift and certification differentials, and an attractive benefits package. Another new employer in Abilene, Highland Campus

Billing Solutions, is currently in their second phase of hiring and is accepting applications for experienced Medical Billing

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# **Provide New Job Opportunities** Abilene, TX - The West Specialists. Highland Campus competitive and benefits are

turnkey system of billing third parties for clinical services provided in campus health centers. In early 2005, Highland is anticipated that, as they increase their client base, they will continue to increase their workforce. Salary levels are

provided.

Interested individuals who meet the eligibility requirements must register through the Workforce Center in Abilene. Applicants will be tested and pre-screened, and qualified candidates will be scheduled for interviews with company representatives. regarding these job opportunities may be directed to the Abilene Workforce Center at (800) 457-5600.

### Cookbooks offered by Callahan **County Nutrition Project**

ment results from a coordinated mation on how to download this

national-state initiative. The information off the Internet for

National Cattlemen's Beef As- stand-alone uses. The 4-H

sociation used checkoff dollars agents will use these learning

and physical activity content for well as after school programs to

two youth-directed manuals educate their 1 million Texas 4-

published by the National 4-H H members.

generate updated nutrition aids in regular 4-H activitie

Project has kicked off its 2005-2006 fund-raisers. The project has a very nice cookbook now available at the senior citizens supplied recipes for this cooklocations at Clyde, Baird, Cross book and assisting the Nutrition Plains and the Callahan County Nutrition Project office in Baird. You may contact Bruce Bell at Baird 854-1937, Vickey Burns tion Project which provides Meals at Clyde 893-4556, the Cross on Wheels and Congregate Plains Center office at 254-725-6521, or the Nutrition Office in the Courthouse at Baird 854-

The Callahan County Nutrition 1277 to obtain the cookbook. The Callahan County Nutrition

Project wishes to express their thanks to all the people who Project in this project.

All proceeds from the cookbook will help finance the Nutri-Meals for the senior citizens and homebound people in Callahan

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