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Cross Plains Review

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CROSS PLAINS SALES TAX PAYMENTS

NUMBER 37

DOWN HOME

EDITOR'S NOTE: Charles Payne brought this composition of thoughts about being a parent to my office. It's by my favorite writer, Author Unknown.

If you are a parent, just the first line will grab your heart strings. Everyone thereafter is packed with truth and wisdom.

Parenting has been utmost in my mind since I've had my two grandsons living with me. It is sad when you can't be just their grandparent. Sometimes they act so great and I'm proud of their accomplishment. However, if they overhear someone compliment their behavior, they go the opposite direction. The boys have come a long way in 2 1/2 years.

They are becoming more independent and that helps. I try to praise them for good actions. They are curious about everything and full of questions. Believe me, there is NEVER a dull moment at my house. Vanda Anderson

"Reflections of a Parent"

I gave you life, but cannot live it for you.

I can teach you things, but I cannot make you learn.

I can allow you freedom, but I cannot account for it.

I can take you to church, but I cannot make you believe.

I can teach you right from wrong, but I cannot always decide for you.

I can buy you beautiful clothes, but I cannot make you beautiful inside.

I can offer you advice, but I cannot accept it for you.

I can give you love, but I cannot force it upon you.

I can teach you to share, but I cannot make you unselfish.

I can teach you respect, but I cannot force you to show honor.

I can advise you about sex, but I cannot keep you pure.

I can tell you the facts of life, but I can't build your reputation.

I can warn you about drugs, but I can't prevent you from using them.

I can tell you about lofty goals, but I can't achieve them for you.

I can teach you kindness, but I can't force you to be gracious.

I can warn you about sins, but I

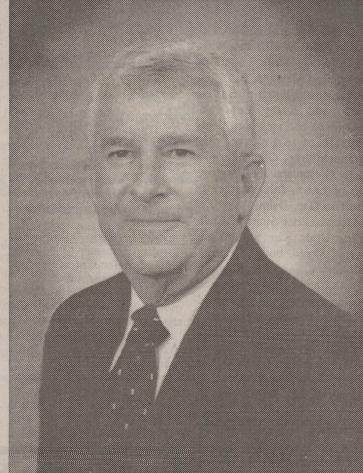
cannot make you moral.

I can pray for you, but I cannot make you walk with God.

I can tell you how to live, but I cannot make you walk with God.

I can tell you how to live, but I cannot give you eternal life.

I can love you with unconditional love all of my life...and I will.



CALLAHAN COUNTY JUDGE ROGER CORN

County Judge honored for education efforts

Author Unknown Corn has been honored by the judges who attain significant Texas Judicial Academy for judicial education above that going the extra mile to be pre- required by state law. pared to handle his duties as county judge.

> Fellow in the Texas Judicial Criminal Appeals and includes Academy on November 15th at instruction by higher court a reception in Austin.

> between the Texas Tech Univer- Texas Probate College and the sity School of Law and the Texas National Judicial College. Association of Counties, names

Callahan County Judge Roger as Fellows each year those

The educational program of the Texas Judicial Academy is Judge Corn was inducted as a overseen by the Texas Court of judges, law school faculty as The Academy, a partnership well as representatives of the

Santa Claus is Coming to Town

Kiwanis Christmas Program is (Additional photographs may be Friday night, December 8. purchased for \$1 each.) Santa anticipates meeting all the Cross Plains on the fire truck.

We are combining a STEW SUPPER Fund-Raiser with the taking pictures with Santa. Christmas program this year. This is one of our annual fundprograms of our area, especially the children. We really need your and needs that come our way.

our stew supper and drawings for prizes. turkeys and cash prizes.

Every child present will be able to visit with Santa and have his/ her picture taken with him. In Plains. Remember, Friday night, addition to the visit and free December 8, beginning at 6 photograph with Santa, each child will receive a sack of candy and one (1) number for drawings

The Annual Cross Plains at the end of the program.

There will be drawings for children and adults at the Senior twelve (12) turkeys and eight (8) Citizens Center as he arrives in gifts of \$25 cash each. Drawings will begin immediately after the children are finished visiting and

There will be live and taped music to be enjoyed during the raisers each year to help with children's picture taking time. There is no general registration this year for the drawings so help in order to have enough to the only recipients will be the meet all of the worthy requests children (and those who purchase tickets for the stew supper The Senior Citizens' Cake- fund-raiser). You must remain and Walk Fund-Raiser will follow be present in order to receive the

> The Kiwanis Club encourages everyone to attend, participate and enjoy Santa's visit to Cross

SANTA CLAUS LETTERS

All pre-school children and students through 3rd grade

may send your wish lists to the

Cross Plains Review by noon on December 13th.

The children's letters will be forwarded

directly to Old Saint Nick at the North Pole.

Watch for publication in the December 21st issue.

Mail To: Santa Claus

c/o Cross Plains Review P.O. Box 519

Cross Plains, TX 76443

Submitted by **Bob Pipes**

for 2006 are running over fortyfour percent above 2005 sales tax payments, according to the 2005 2006 Texas State Comptroller's of-Total yearly sales tax Texas State Comptroller \$127,333.92 | \$183,450.63 payments

Carole Strayhorn reported the city's sales tax payment on Monday, November 13th. Cross Plains' 2006 sales tax

The City of Cross Plains' one

percent city sales tax payments

payments for the year totalled \$183,450.63, which is 44.07 percent higher than the \$127,333.92 in sales tax rebate payments collected in 2005.

Payments to the city for November 2006 totalled \$18,633.84, up 35.16 percent from the November 2005 sales tax payment of \$13,785.54.

The November sales tax payments are for sales taxes paid by businesses in September and reported to the comptroller in October.

Other Callahan County towns reporting sales tax payments in-

—The City of Baird reported that sales tax payments in 2006 started the year 6.37 percent higher than the 2005 payments. The city has received \$88,149.77 in 2006, while the 2005 tax payments to the city totalled \$82,869.76.

Baird's monthly payment for November 2006 totalled \$10,442.71, up 53.36 percent from the November 2005 total of \$6,809.22.

—The City of Clyde reported the year 2006 city sales tax ahead of the 2005 payments of the tax. Clyde's 2006 sales tax payments have amounted to \$383,169.15, while the 2005 sales tax rebates were \$353,647.81.

The city's monthly sales tax check for November 2006 was \$45,760.51, up 37.01 percent from the \$33,397.78 payment made in November 2005.

Total monthly \$13,785.54 sales tax payments

amount of \$12,641.91. Putnam's tax payment for the to reduce property taxes (Promonth of November 2006 was ceeds to benefit the Clyde Vol-\$1,286.69, down 8.64 percent unteer Fire Department.) from the November 2005 payment of \$1,408.47.

ments for 2006 in Callahan and 0.75% is allocated for ecoahead of the 2005 payments in town. the county. Callahan County towns received sales tax pay- sales tax of which 1.00% is allototalled \$576,493.40.

The tax rebate in Callahan Putnam Collects 1.00% in lovember 2006 was \$76,123.75, percent is allocated to the city. up 37.40 percent from the November 2005 payments to \$55,401.01.

and local sales tax and send it to turns the local one percent local governments. Cities and counties may levy a combined tax of up to two percent above the state's sales tax.

-The City of Putnam re- Clyde businesses collect ported the 2006 payments to 2.00% including one percent for the town totalled \$13,526.82, the City of Clyde, one-half of up 6.99 percent from the 2005 one percent for the Clyde Ecopayments to the city in the nomic Development Corporation and one half of one percent

\$18,633.84

Cross Plains collects 1.75% in local sales taxes, of which 1.00 Countywide, sales tax pay- percent is allocated to the city County are up 15.92 percent nomic development in the

Baird collects 1.50% in local ments in 2006 amounting to cated to the city and 0.50% \$668,296,37 while the 2005 allocated to the community's payments to the county towns economic development corpo-

County for the month of No- cal sales tax of which all 1.00

All local sales taxes must be the county towns totalling approved by local voters and may be used for any legal city Merchants collect the state or county expenses. Most areas put the money in their General the Comptroller's office with Fund and use it for normal optheir tax returns. The state erations like fire fighting, mainkeeps its 6 1/4% share and re-taining roads and law enforcement, the Comptroller said. sales tax each month to the Some cities use up to an additional one percent city sales tax to help fund local economic development and to reduce property taxes.

"Santa at the Bank"

Gifts Needed by December 15th

giving with "Santa at the Bank" this Christmas. There will be a Christmas tree in the bank with ornaments telling the gender and ages of the children throughout the Cross Plains area. You may stop by the bank and choose an ornament with a child's information. Please return your gifts to the bank by Friday, December 15,

Gifts will be wrapped and delivered by the Key Club the next week. A reasonable price to spend on the gift is \$20-\$25. If you wish to give money, we will buy the gift for you.

Some gift ideas include: cosmetics, hair accessories, perfume, sweaters, hats, gloves and purses for older girls, video games, sports related items, sweaters, and hats for older boys. Younger girls might enjoy dolls, sweaters, jewelry, purses, backpacks or stuffed animals, while the younger boys might like Legos, trucks, cars, action figures, etc.

Christmas is a time for giving and kindness, so please help us make Christmas brighter for the children of out community this

If you know of any children in need, please call Pat Stephens with your information. 254-725-

Come enjoy the season of .6819 (home) 254-725-6123

(school). Dollar General also has a box in the front of their store for donations to the Santa at the Bank tree. Thank you so much for helping the children of our community.

Submitted by Pat Stephens

Project Pride to Regular **Monthly Meeting**

Project Pride will hold their regular monthly business meeting on Tuesday, December 5, at 6:00 p.m. at the Cross Plains Public

The public is always welcome. Submitted by Era Lee Hanke

Callahan County has reinstated burn ban

Callahan County has reinstated its burn ban effective Monday, November 20, 2006.

Coming Soon to Hwy 206 Baptist Mission

Hwy 206 Baptist Mission (North Main Street and Hwy 206 in Cross Plains) will be having a Revival, Thursday, November 30th-Saturday, December 2nd. The Revival will begin at 7 p.m. each night. Dwaine Clower will be the

evangelist and there will be special music everynight. There will also be a meal

provided on Saturday, December

Everyone is invited!



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There is no charge for this service.

To delete a name due to death or other reasons send name and birth date (Month and Day)

or Call 254-725-6111

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Al Taylor, Preacher

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Church (254)725-6266 Friendly Church

Bible Teaching

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Hwy. 36 at Rowden - 12 Miles West of Cross Plains SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP.....11:00 A.M.

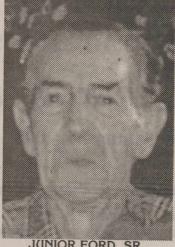
Pastor: Carl Mauldin

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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



JUNIOR FORD, SR

LAWN-Junior Ford, Sr., 84, died Thursday, November 23, 2006, in an Abilene hospital. Graveside services were held at 3:00 p.m. Sunday, November 26, 2006, in Cross Plains Cemetery, with Rev. Graham Gutting officiating and directed by Fry-Bartlett Funeral Home of Tuscola.

Junior was born February 6, 1922, to John A. and Retha Beeler Ford, in Cross Plains. He graduated from Cross Plains High School in 1939 and enlisted in the US Army in 1940. He served in Europe during WWII in Company B, 142nd Infantry, 36th Infantry Division until 1945. Following the war, he farmed with his father in Cross Plains and also worked at the Cross Plains Post Office. He was an accountant for International Harvester in Denison for several years before moving to

Brownwood. He moved to San Angelo in 1976 and worked for Lamar Signs until his retirement. Since 2002, he had lived with his son, Junior Ford, Jr., in Lawn. He was a member of Cross Plains Church of Christ.

Preceding him in death were his parents; a sister, Lorene Ford Patterson; grandchildren, Nicole Zigler, Vanessa Stanley and Jamey Gregston; a very special cousin, Claudie Beeler; his first wife, Jean Ford Trinkner; and his second wife, Tommy Lee Spain

Survivors include one son, Junior Ford, Jr. of Lawn; three daughters, Carole Rogers of Macomb, Oklahoma, Pat Albus and husband Butch of Buffalo Gap, and Kathy Lewis of Macomb; one step-son, Craig Powell of Arlington; nine grandchildren, Glenn Golson, Billy Golson and Joe Hargrove, all of Lawn, John Marcee of Buffalo Gap, Debra Chavez of Macomb, Priss Stone of Cedar City, Utah, Kim Solomi and Kristi Skeen, both of Harrah, dismiss to assault (2 counts) Oklahoma, and Chris Sherin of South Carolina; 39 great-grandchildren; seven great-great-grandchildren; and several cousins.

Pallbearers were Charles Alvin Hutchins, Glenn Golson, Billy Golson, John Marcee, Joe Hargrove, and Bob Golson.

National Methamphetamine Awareness Day Announced

rently addicted.

The Department of Justice recently announced the creation Day, which will be observed on Nov. 30, 2006. The event is an effort to generate awareness meth users for many years. about the damaging effects of meth abuse on individuals, families and American communities.

Department reads, "National American author and humani-Methamphetamine Awareness tarian L. Ron Hubbard, uses a Day is a coordinated effort not very thorough and complete only to reach potential meth body detoxification procedure users with a message of preven- to help eliminate stored meth tion, but also to educate current residues. The result is a former users about the programs available to them.'

(SAMHSA) continues to show that individuals in the 18-25 age make up the largest percentage used meth last year.

A person using meth may ex- tried before, and it worked." perience irritability, fatigue, headaches, anxiety, sleepless-They may become psychotic or call 1-800-468-6933. and experience paranoia, audiparanoia may lead to homicidal or suicidal thoughts.

The Federal Government part- The Department is partnering ners with non-profit organiza- with other governmental agentions to prevent future meth us- cies as well as non-profit organiers and help those who are cur- zations to help carry the message and increase the impact of

As one of the nation's largest and sponsorship of National and most successful drug reha-Methamphetamine Awareness bilitation and education programs, Narconon Arrowhead has been effectively dealing with

The program, which is part of a worldwide network of centers using the drug-free rehabilita-A release from the Justice tion methodology developed by addict becoming more himself to be able to think clearly enough A new study from the Sub- to address problem areas in his stance Abuse and Mental Health life and find alternative solutions Administration to them instead of turning back to the drug.

According to one former meth group are the most likely to be user who has been drug-free for using methamphetamine. They over five years, "I know I would have been dead or in prison if it of the 1.3 million people who weren't for Narconon. It was different from anything I had

To find out more about Narconon Arrowhead or to get ness, confusion, aggressive feel- help for a loved one in need ings, violent rages, cravings for during this Holiday Season, log more meth, and depression. on to www.stopaddiction.com

For more information about tory hallucinations, mood dis- National Methamphetamine turbances, and delusions. The Awareness Day you can visit the Department of Justice website www.usdoj.gov/ methawareness

Thank You!

I would like to thank the voters of Callahan County for their support and encouragement during the Election. I promise as your new County Clerk to uphold the Honesty and Integrity of the office. Again thank you for your votes.

Donna Bell, Callahan County Clerk Elect Pol. Ad. Pd. for by Donna Bell, Baird, Texas 79504

First Baptist Church

Sunday

9:45 am Bible Study 11 am & 6 pm Worship

Wednesday 6:30 pm Prayer/Worship

Ronnie B. White, Pastor (254) 725-7629 3rd & Main, Cross Plains, TX 76443 2-Cross Plains Review November 30, 2006

COUNTY COURTHOUSE Roger Corn, Presiding

Misdemeanor Filings

John W. Nesmith, failure to

Douglas J. Taillon, possession of marijuana. Edward L. Foreman, theft. JoAnn O'Neal, driving while intoxicated (DWI).

Amelia Kinser, possession of marijuana. Roman A. Mendez,

possession of marijuana. Moises R. Gonzales, DWI.

Misdemeanor Minutes

Travis R. Byram, 2nd amended motion to revoke James J. Connally, motion to

revoke probation granted. Zachary P. Austin, motion to dismiss to DWI granted for plea

to other case. Erick L. Park, motion to granted, defendant sentenced to prison on other case.

Kimberly L. Willingham, motion to dismiss to theft by check granted, paid restitution. Danielle Rose Velasquez, Waggoner, Lonnie Switzer, order to obtain warrant

> John Nesmith, plea of guilty to failure to identify, 15 days in jail, \$500 fine, \$231 court

Marriage Licenses

Jon L. McNabb of Bedford and Terralynn Swafford of Clyde.

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

Civil Filings

Cathryn Nicole Briscoe Keith vs. Christopher Daniel Keith, divorce.

Paula Lea Bailey vs. Doris Black Barr, damages. Carlos T. Juarez vs. J. B. Hunt Transport, Inc. and Robert

Frazier, damages. Bobby Coffman and Kate E Coffman, divorce.

Shane Edward Nixon vs. Cecilia Marie Nixon, divorce.

Civil Minutes

leric Rogers vs. Newton C. Vance, Inc., default judgment granted, plaintiff to recover the sum of \$5000 from defendant.

Criminal Minutes

Lauren K. Coy, motion to dismiss motion to revoke probation granted.

Nancy J. Chapman, motion to dismiss motion to revoke probation granted.

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By WALLACE BENNETT

Hats Off To The Cottonwood **Historical Association**

The Cottonwood Historical Association (CHA) is forever involved in something to keep our community of Cottonwood humming and happening. In addition to Phillip and Bryan Bennett the members are involved in other continuous duties to keep the property that belongs to the community in repair and in safe condition. Other officer members of the Association are, Herman Weaver-President, Beverly Brown-Vice President, Beth Bogue-Secretary/Treasurer, R.T. Peevy and Joe Terstegge.

In addition to the two cemeteries, which they maintain, and administer, the Historical Association is responsible for members do a very good job and the old Post Office, the old Cottonwood Methodist Episcopal Church South building, and the Annual Membership Meeting of the Association held on the First Week-end in May.

also involved in publishing a 2006. Everyone in the Memorial History Cookbook. Cottonwood Valley has been The recipes and history are invited to come out and get Wallace Bennett at 254-725-7474 being prepared by a Cookbook acquainted, so, please show up. or e-mail csb5@airmail.net or committee composed of Teri The time is 6:00 p.m. Brown, Carol Bennett, Beverly Brown, and Gary Bennett. It will Nora Odom's 3rd Grade Class be sent to the publisher in the very this Thursday at 9:15 a.m. The



(right) made repairs to one of the cemetery gates.

near future.

The officers and board no one in Cottonwood is allowed Cottonwood Quilting Club. The to die and be buried here without Quilting Club will be finishing the their permission.

Christmas Party This Friday

upcoming Community Christmas Saturday. The Member-Association is Party to be held on December 1,

children have been learning about quilting and will be observing the regular meeting of the Rehab Quilt and will deliver it to the KTAB Auction for the West Other items of note is the Texas Rehab Center this coming

(To place a news or personal item in this column please call snail mail at 11093 CR 440, Cross The Quilting Club will entertain Plains, Texas 76443. If I don't know about it, I can't and won't

Tuesday as the best news yet

that the Texas Open Meetings

the clarity of mind to uphold one

acts in a free country."

brought by former Alpine city

who are acting in their official

Payne and Katie Elms-Lawrence,

city, including discussion about in the case

con for openness.

Abbott.

Attorney General wins ruling to keep

PECOS—Texas Attorney Gen- the best candidate for the job. A eral Greg Abbott applauded a few days later, the council con-

sweeping decision by U.S. Dis-vened a public meeting to dis-

Act is alive and well, constitu- were dismissed by the Brewster

tionally, and must be respected County District Attorney, and

by all public officials as a bea- the subsequent legal challenge

"This law requires openness in Junell cited several past cases.

conducting the public's busi- In one from Kansas Supreme

ness; it's that simple. I am Court case, he noted that cus-

pleased Judge Junell exhibited tomary private discussions of

of democracy's greatest trea- zens are always protected, but

sures," said Attorney General "everything changes ... when a

"Public officials who seek to fice." The judge emphasized

skirt the law governing public that, because closed speech by

meetings, while asserting their public officials threatens democ-

right to 'free speech,' are not racy, the open meetings act

acting in the spirit of democracy "simply requires speech to be

In his ruling, Junell disagreed tions that the open meetings law

with a number of allegations is overly broad in its application

council persons that the open long-held test that among pub-

meetings law restricts or chills licly deliberating bodies, there

"free speech" of public officials can be no informal discussions.

capacities. In October 2004, a ation of a matter in compliance quorum of the council, Avinash with (the law), or an illegal meet-

Rangra, Anna Monclova, Manuel ing," he wrote in his decision.

exchanged private emails about Foundation of Texas fled a friend

an engineering design contract of the court brief in support of

and we must never tolerate these open and public."

'Texas Open Meetings Act' intact

trict Judge Robert Junell late cuss the same issues.

SENIOR CITIZENS MENU

DECEMBER 4 - 8

Ranger Cookie, Crackers Buttered Rice, Stir Fry Vegetables, Applesauce, Bread WEDNESDAY - Meatloaf. Whipped Potatoes, Green Beans, Cheesecake, Roll

THURSDAY- Chicken & Dumplings, Buttered Corn, Peas & Carrots, Cake, Bread FRIDAY- Ham & Cheese Sandwich, Tossed Salad, Potato Soup, Carrot-Raisin Salad,

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

Lemon Pudding



In reviewing the email incident,

the resulting indictments that

brought by the council persons,

governmental affairs among citi-

person is elected to public of-

Junell also overruled allega-

or vague on its face, pointing to

"There is either formal consider-

The Freedom of Information

QUIPS, CLIPS AND COMMENTS

MONDAY - Chili w/Beans, . Comments: Tumbleweeds, Tossed Salad, Mixed Fruit, candy canes, candle holders lines with cranberries—Christmas is TUESDAY- Teriyaki Chicken, coming and it won't be long. Please put a penny in the old man's hat, if he hasn't a pillow, then God Bless you.

Happy, Joyous Merry Christmas

Christmas is coming on fast and furiously. I heard Santa is already having his sleigh retreaded. That is a good idea, since he has a lot of traveling

may wish to purchase. I found canes are secured. some in a book on decorations ethnic customs, traditions, etc.

create something beautiful.

once that was lovely, plus a great other colors such as navy blue, conversation piece appropriate for a Christmas theme. It also is a splendid centerpiece.

Choose a pot or other

container; a 3 pound coffee can; a medium sized pot of ivy, bamboo, or other potted plant, etc. Personally, I used an ivy in a medium sized plastic type flower

Then purchase peppermint candy canes. The multi-striped sugar candy sticks may used, however they don't have that peppermint smell, nor are they quite as stunning.

With a dry cloth, wipe clean the outside of the pot, hot glue the wrapped canes vertically to the pot with the crook extending outward. Cover the entire pot. Here is a suggestion for a keeping them all straight and Christmas decorations—some close together. Check the project you can produce and a few you the next morning to be sure the

Choose a ribbon from your and others I was privileged to Christmas color scheme. When I seem at various gatherings over was a child the predominant the years featuring different colors were red, green or blue. These days additional colors are Large containers of informa- used for the holiday season. In tion, a bit of sparkle, and a swirl the range of red, the colors are or so of that very special luxurious as well as sophisticated Christmas magic and you can and include burgundy, maroon, wine and similar colors. These Here's a creation I have used can be used alone or coupled with white and gold.

> Isn't Christmas decorating FUN??????

letter, write one to a serviceman

2 Find someone in a nursing

They will be glad you stopped to

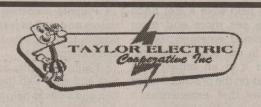
3. Instead of giving your chil-

afford, spend time with them

.Tell them the story of Jesus'

6. Support a missionary who

goes where you can't.



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ANNUAL **HOLIDAY SHOWCASE - 2006**



December 7th - 8th - 9th



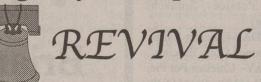
Thursday......10:00a.m. - 5:00p.m. Friday......10:00a.m. - 5:00p.m. Saturday......10:00a.m. - 5:00p.m.

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Highway 206 Baptist Mission



November 30 - December 2 Dwaine Clower, Evangelist

A Meal Will Be Provided Saturday, Dec. 2

North Main Street and Hwy 206 at Cross Plains

Barb's Cues

By Barbara Holmes Worcester

Seasons Greetings

Many of us are upset that folks are taking Christ's name out of home and visit. They will not the season. Maybe we have for- mind if they do not know you. gotten that He wasn't actually born at this time of year. It was say HELLO. men who decided to celebrate His birthday on what was actu- dren a lot of gifts you can't ally the time of a pagan festival. If you want to celebrate His birth just GET ALONG AND LOVE birth. Remind them that He loves ONE ANOTHER.

If it bothers you that your town 4. Pick someone from your does not have a manger scene past who has hurt you and forin the town square, replace a give them. Santa or snowman with a man- 5. Try giving everyone you ger scene in your own yard. If all meet the gift of a warm smile. Christians did that it would be pretty impressive.

Don't worry that people are 7. Finally, if you want to make calling the tree a "Holiday Tree" a statement about your Chris-Christ made all of the trees and tianity, do all the good you can you can remember Christ any in all the ways you can, in all the time vou see a tree. You can places vou can. decorate a grape vine if you wish. He actually spoke of the grape vine to illustrate some of His teaching.

If you want to give a present to This however, put a different

1. Instead of writing a protest

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I too, have been distressed about the altering of our Christmas areetinas.

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to announce it's band line-up for the month of December. Starting the month off on December 1st Muddy Creek will be here playing all of your favorite items, on December 8th Country Classics will join us playing the kind of music that will make you want to get up and dance. On December 19th Texas Touch will join us playing their own special kind of country music, and on December 22nd Muddy Creek will be here again playing some more of your favorite country tunes. There will be no dance at the Grand Ole Oplin on December 29th but we invite everyone to join us on December 31st (New Year's Eve) to ring in the New Year to the tunes of Muddy Creek. Admission to our regular Friday

Grand Ole Oplin December Line-up evening dances is still only \$4.00 per person, but admission to our New Year's Eve dance will be \$5.00 per person and our New Year's dance will begin at 8:00 p.m., until shortly after midnight.

> The Grand Ole Oplin is hosted by the Oplin Community Center located at the intersection of FM 604 South and FM 2926. Smoking and alcohol is not allowed at any of our functions. Our Friday night dances begin at 7:30 p.m. and end at 10:30 p.m. Everyone is invited to bring a snack to be enjoyed by all during the band's break.

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

BREAKTHRU By Bob Pipes

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In the funnies' B.C. comics, the question for "the Book of Phrases" is: (what is) "Living on the edge?" — and the answer is, "Humpty Dumpty's last known address!"

Some people "live on the edge" in a bad way, and some people "live on the edge" in a good way. Some people seem to live the life of a dare-devil, some live the life of crime, some live the life of "eat, drink and be merry, for tomorrow you may die" - or "tomorrow you won't die." All of these are "living on the edge" in a bad way.

Others "live on the edge" in a good way. Paul and many others of the New Testament days did. They were always on the edge of being arrested, imprisoned, perhaps even executed, for defying warnings to "not preach the gospel." Read through the book of Acts and note how many times they were threatened, even with their lives, but "living on the edge," said, "We must obey God rather than men" (Acts 5:29). I wonder if we would be that "edgy":

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FFA Chapter Wins (4-Cross Plains Review November 30, 2006 District Sweepstakes Region 14 Education Service

On Monday, November 13 Cooper and Cody Hyles. the Cross Plains FFA Chapter District Leadership contest held at Cisco Junior College. Cross Plains had a total of eleven teams Place, Emily Harris. take part in the contest. Results of the contest were as follows:

Junior Chapter Conducting-1st Place, team members: Zach Snell, Tiffany Holland, Amanda Dunaway, Emily Foster, Tiffany Walker. Melissa Black, Jake McCutchen, Cody Sliger and Kayla Lawrence.

Junior Skills-3rd Place, team Vasquez and Sahara Parker.

Junior Quiz Team-2nd Place, team members: Zach Snell, Tiffany Holland, Amanda Dunaway, and Emily Foster.

Junior Creed Speaker-5th Place, Cody Sliger.

Senior Chapter Conducting-4th Place, team members: Hailey Biggs, Jacob Estes, Mykea Douglass, Krista Phillips, Andrew Poole, Emily Harris, 1st Place - Cross Plains (90 pts) Betty Mathews and Emma

Senior Skills-2nd Place, team members: Clay Koenig, Brock

Senior Quiz Team-1st Place,

participated in the Big Country team members: Mandy Rose, Krista Phillips and Jacob Estes. Senior Creed Speaker-5th

> Radio Team-3rd Place, team members: Mykea Douglass, Thomas Estes and Kaelen Martinez.

Job Interview-3rd Place,

Public Relations-2nd Place, Ceirra Odom, Shasta Bacon, team members: Hailey Biggs, Christiana Burrhus and Tiffany

The teams that place 1st or members: Tiffany Bell, Lili 2nd advanced to the Area IV contest to be held on Saturday, November 18 at Tarleton State University.

Ther were a total of 16 schools that participated in the district contest. Points were awarded for placing in each contest to determine the Sweepstakes winners. Results of the Sweepstakes were as follows:

2nd Place - Cisco (64 pts) 3rd Place - Coleman (61 pts) 4th Place - Jim Ned (58 pts) 5th Place - Merkel (48 pts)

Center's Alternative Certificaiton **Program Adds Certification in the Areas of Math and Science**

Applications for the Region 14 Education Service Center's 2007-2008 Alternative Certification Program for Math and Science teachers will be accepted until February 16, 2007. The program allows college graduates wanting to be Math and/or Science teachers to earn certification as they train and teach full time, serving as interns with mentor teachers in area school districts. Participants complete training in the spring classroom. During the internship contact: year, training is continued.

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Area IV Leadership Contest On Saturday, November 18 the Dunaway and Emily Foster. Area IV Leadership Contest held members: Clay Koenig, Brock at Tarleton State University. Cross Cooper and Cody Hyles.

Cross Plains FFA Competes at

Cross Plains FFA competed at the Plains had a total of five teams of the contest were as follows:

Junior Chapter Conducting-1st Andrew Poole. Place, team members: Zach Black, Jake McCutchen, Ceirra Walker. Odom, Shasta Bacon, Cody

Sliger, and Kayla Lawrence.

Senior Skills-5th Place, team

Senior Quiz Team-6th Place, participate in the contest. Results team members: Krista Phillips, Jacob Estes, Hailey Biggs and Public Relations-6th Place,

Snell, Tiffany Holland, Amanda team members: Hailey Biggs, Dunaway, Emily Foster, Melissa Christiana Burrhus and Tiffany

Teams that placed 1st or 2nd will advance to the State Junior Quiz Team-3rd Place, Leadership Contest to be held on. team members: Zach Snell, Saturday, December 2 at Sam Tiffany Holland, Amanda Houston University in Huntsville.

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The Texas Department of State Health Services will hold Immunization Clinics in Callahan County as follows:

Monday, December 11 **Baird Cafetorium** 400 West 7th 10 a.m. - 12 noon

Cross Plains Housing Authority 233 North Main Street 2 - 4 p.m.

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Prevent Debt during Holiday Shopping Season Take Charge America Offers 5 Tips to Help Keep Your Spending In- Check

2006)—Millions of consumers may find that their open hearts will lead to empty wallets this holiday season.

Mike Sullivan, director of education for Take Charge America, a national non-profit credit counseling agency, says shoppers don't need to go broke in order to spread some holiday cheer.

"Many Americans have a misconception that the best gifts have to cost a lot of money," he said. "You can show your love and affection without driving yourself further into debt.'

Consumers are expected to spend an average of \$791.10 each on holiday merchandise this year, according to the National Retail Federation. Sullivan says shoppers who charge their holiday purchases will ultimately pay much more.

"The interest alone on credit card purchases can become a huge burden," he said. "I've seen many people get creditcard-statement-shock when they examine just how much money they've accumulated in interest - all money they originally hadn't planned to spend."

Sullivan has five tips to help shoppers stay out of debt:

Make a List - Compile a list of all the holiday gifts you plan to purchase, and stick to the list. This can prevent you from purchasing extras, both big and small. Remember, all those trinkets can add up to big bucks. Your list should also include your max spending limit for every item. If you have to ship gifts to people on your list, be sure to consider the size and weight of gifts as you make your list.

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It's Better to Give than Receive - When you are holiday shopping, don't squeeze in unnecessary purchases for yourself. These items can add up quickly. Remember to stick to your list.

Go Online First - Scope out prices online before you head to the stores. This way, you'll know where to go for the best deals. If you purchase your gifts online, remember to calculate additional shipping and handling costs into your holiday budget.

About Take Charge America Founded in 1987, Take Charge America, Inc. is a nonprofit organization headquartered in Phoenix, Arizona. TCA offers a variety of services including financial education, credit counseling, and debt management. To learn more about TCA or its programs please call 1-800-823-7396 www.takechargeamerica.org

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GREAT HUNTING-Two local men enjoyed a week of Elk hunting in Payosa Springs, Colo. Porcious Potter (left) and Jim McKoy (center) of Cross Plains, Eric Pechacek of Clyde and Bob Howell of Abilene hunted elk in the San Juan Forest west of Wolf Creek. Porcious Potter was the only successful hunter taking a 900th Bull Elk. It took all four men several hours to bring the animal off of the mountain.

Texas air quality improves dramatically in past 20 years

of Environmental Protection Donna McDonald. Agency data shows dramatic cleaner today than it was 20

Issued today (October 27, 2006) by the Clean Coal Technology Foundation of Texas (CCTFT), Making Progress 2006 highlights the following air quality improvements the EPA found

in Texas and neighboring states: • Nitrogen dioxide (N02) concentrations have decreased 17 percent and are at their lowest

levels in the past 20 years. • Sulfur dioxide (SO2) concentrations in Texas have been slashed by almost 60 percent

• Carbon monoxide (CO) concentrations are 57 percent lower than in 1982 - and are at their

lowest level in the past 20 years. • Ozone (03) levels have been reduced 10 percent and are lower than concentrations in 1980.

• Particulate matter 10 (PM 10) concentrations are about 30 percent lower in Texas and southern and western states than in 1988

lation and business growth in Texas sharply increased the defrom coal-fueled electric suppliers rose accordingly.

"There has been a lot of discussion lately about the state's need for increased electric generation and the power plants the air quality in Texas," said

AUSTIN— An impartial review CCTFT Administrative Director

"But the facts recorded by the improvement is being made in Environmental Protection Texas' air quality, and the air is Agency, and contained in Making Progress 2006, belie the rhetoric. Texas air quality is steadily getting better and, if new pollution control technology is employed, it will continue to get better," she said.

A recent environmental study commissioned by the Texas Quality concluded proposed new coal-fueled power plants will improve air quality in Texas by replacing older power plants with newer, more environmentally efficient ones. The new plants will have some of the lowest S02, nitrogen oxide and mercury emissions in the nation and they will be 80 percent cleaner than the average U.S. coal plant.

"TCEQ and the Texas Public Utility Commission deserve credit for helping set Texas on a path that has resulted in both a decrease in the level of pollutants in the air and a marked decline in the emissions that affect the concentrations of these pollutants," McDonald said.

"The Clean Coal Technology These improvements occurred Foundation of Texas pledges to during a period when rapid popu- work with the state of Texas to insist that new pollution-control technologies are implemented mand for power, and generation so we can continue the trend of improving air quality in Texas," McDonald said.

The Clean Coal Technology Foundation of Texas is a privately funded 501 (c) (6) organization that have been proposed to meet whose mission is to bring clean this growing demand. During coal technologies to Texas and to this public debate, a flurry of secure funding for projects that assertions has been made about will reduce air emissions and keep energy affordable.

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Commissioners' court meets Nov. 13th and Nov. 20th

Callahan County Commission-Monday, November 20th at the commissioners' courtroom at the County Courthouse in Baird.

ing, County Judge Roger Corn reported attending a meeting on the Baird Depot restoration project. The starting date for the restoration is November 20th. and the restoration should be completed by July 25, 2007.

Also at the November 13th USDA Rural Development attended the meeting to present the summary of programs available through the organization.

The minutes of the October 23rd commissioners' court meeting were approved as presented. November 13th commissioners'

court meeting included: present included Commissioner Precinct #4 Doris Grider, Com-Alexander, County Treasurer and Jeanie Bohannon, County motion and it carried 5-0. Clerk were also present. Also missioner-Elect Precinct #4. Pre-

November 13th meeting. with a 4-0 vote.

-Judge Corn made a motion ers' Court held two brief com- to adjourn the commissioners' missioners' court meetings on court meeting at 10:10 a.m. Monday, November 13th and Commissioner Grider seconded the motion and it passed with a 4-0 vote

The commissioners' court also At the November 13th meet- met Monday, November 20th. Agenda items brought during the November 20th meeting included:

> -The meeting was called to order at 9:36 a.m. by Judge

-The minutes of the Novemmeeting, Max Verzele, Rural ber 13th commissioners' court Development Manager with the meeting were approved as pre-

-During time set aside for public comments, Judge Corn announced Tammy Walker, Callahan County Tax Assessor/ Collector, was chosen Tax Assessor/Collector of the Year by Other agenda items from the Texas Tax Assessor/Collectors Association on November 14th. Mrs. Walker displayed her -Judge Corn called the meet- plaque and all officials at the ing to order at 9:38 a.m. Those meeting complemented her for such an honorable award.

-Commissioner Hicks made missioner Precinct #3 Tommy a motion to approve the can-Holland and Commissioner Pre- vass for the Tuesday, Novemcinct #1 Harold Hicks. Dianne ber 7th General Election. Commissioner Grider seconded the

-Commissioner Holland made present was Cliff Kirkham, Com- a motion to pay all approved bills. Commissioner Farmer seccinct #2 Commissioner Bryan onded the motion and it carried Farmer was unable to attend the with a 5-0 vote.

—Commissioner Farmer made -Commissioner Grider made a motion to adjourn the coma motion to pay all approved missioners' court meeting at 9:55 bills. Commissioner Hicks sec- a.m. Commissioner Holland seconded the motion and it carried onded the motion and it carried with a 5-0 vote.

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Sincerly, Allison Wilson

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I would like to thank everyone for the prayers, calls and cards and special thanks to Bob Pipes for the use of a wheel chair until mine gets here, and for building a ramp.

Also special thanks to David and Betty at Mexico City for the love and kindness and the wonderful Thanksgiving dinner they brought to our home, and their visits.

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I have vowed to be more like the outdoors. She can't wait to sample the new day. She remore like my dog.

She is the official greeter at the front door. She's an overzeal- me good advice. She talks to ous, drooling greeter. She's a me.. Poco expects good things good dog, but she does have to happen to her. She is like her bad habits. I have my bad Seneca, who said, "Nothing is habits, too. I try not to drool though.

She eats things she shouldn't. I do, too. She snores. So do I. She's a few pounds overweight. So am I. She likes tennis balls. I like meatballs. She likes the that a dog has the soul of a sound of the refrigerator door opening. I like the sounds of Billie Holiday and Louie a wonder. Each stroll into a dif-Armstrong. She licks herself in ferent room offers an endless front of company. I lack the variety of pleasant surprises. flexibility. She has conspiracy theories involving squirrels. I have conspiracy theories involv- her. I feel the same way. ing liver pudding. The dog and l are sensitive, caring creatures.

Poco is no Rhodes Scholar. Savaya

She's more of a roads scholar. She doesn't play tug-of-war. She doesn't like confrontations. If you try to play keep-away with her, you keep it.

She makes up for whatever I see you, you can tell me about she lacks with her boundless your dog or your fishing trip or enthusiasm. She is always happy to see me when I come home. She jumps and runs in circles. It's her patented spin-move. It's

I need to say a little prayer each day, wherein I ask to beness to inquire whether you are come the kind of person my dog thinks I am. Andy Rooney once said that the average dog is a nicer person than the average person.

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> She's a good listener and gives so wretched or foolish as to anticipate misfortunes. What madness it is, expecting evil before it

> Poco would have liked the old Roman philosopher. Plato said philosopher. To Poco, the whole world is a smell and each day is

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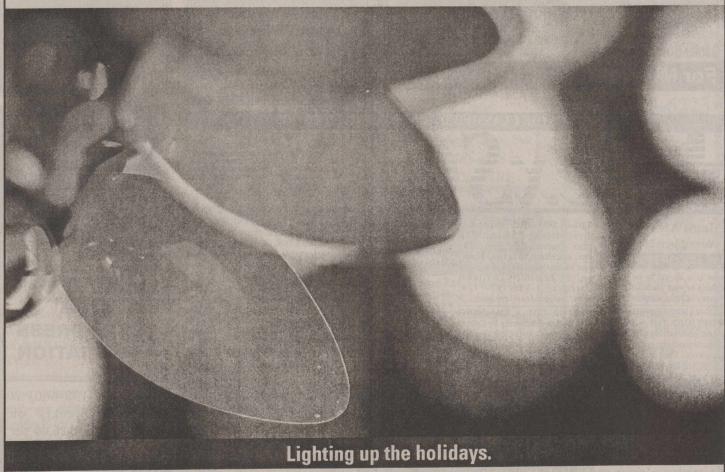
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01 Dodge Ram 1500, V6,5 spd, cold air, looks, runs very good, 108K\$4,250 99 Ford Ranger Step Side, 4cyl, Auto, Looks, Runs good(Lt. Blue).....\$4,595 01 F150 XLT,4DR, Super Cab, V8, Auto, cold air, clean in & out....\$5,750 01 F150 LWB Reg Cab, 4.6 V8, Auto, Looks, Runs good...Special....\$3,500 01 Ford Ranger Super Cab, V6, Auto, 4DR, Looks, Runs very good...\$5,950 97 F250 Crew Cab, V8, Auto, 4DR, Super nice Truck (White). Special. \$3,750 96 Dodge Dakota 4x4, V6, Auto, cold air, very good condition. Special \$2,650 96 Dodge Dakota, 4Cyl, 5spd, runs good, roll bar.....Special......\$2,595 93 Chev 4x4 Ext Cab, V8, Auto, Everything works, runs good.....\$2,850 2 Car Hauling Trailer, In good condition..... 84 Wrecker F250 Super Cab,4x4......

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