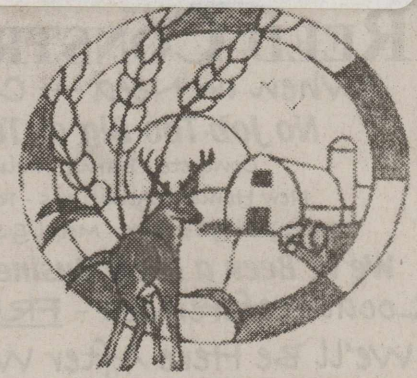


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## DOWN HOME

"Just Us Girls"

By Vanda Anderson

My daughter, Leah Orum, and her daughter, Kreede, were down for a last visit before school starts. I hadn't seen them since June when the boys and I went to Brownfield for Kreede's 6th birthday.

It seemed strange without all the boys. We just did "girl things"—like going shopping. Kreede came out the winner on that! She found some magnetized paper dolls with the clothes, shoes, accessories, etc. I remember playing with the "real paper dolls" and I used a bobby pin to keep their clothes on, because those paper flaps never held. Toys these days are so sophisticated. Kreede discovered they would stick to the refrigerator and she had them displayed with all their accessories neatly organized.

We stumbled upon the doll that matched her princess horse that I had given her for her birthday. She was delighted!

Kreede played on the slip 'n slide, swam in the blow-up pool and rode the little 4-wheeler with her mother.

She wanted to go to her "favorite" restaurant which turned out to be Mexico City Cafe. She loves the tortilla chips dipped in French dressing, but she always orders chicken strips.

I told her she was going to start clucking. She smiled and all you could see is a big gap where her front teeth use to be. She let her bangs grow out and had her hair pulled back with a clip. Tan from swimming at the pool, Kreede looked so grown-up. She talks with those big brown eyes as she expresses herself well.

Most of the time she is dancing around like a little ballerina. She takes dance and really gets into the theatrics. She said, "Mimy, I'm going to be a choreographer when I grow up."

We wanted to do something different, but be able to stay cool since the weather was in the triple digits. After some thought, we decided to visit Frontier Texas in Abilene. Isn't it funny how sometimes we don't go the places that are right in our own back yard.

First we had lunch at the Cracker Barrel. I had never been there and there was lots to see. Their General Store has so many beautiful items. The food was delicious! It was like having a home cooked meal without spending the time and effort in the kitchen, plus NO cleanup! What a deal!!!!

The trip to Frontier Texas turned out to be great! If you haven't been yet, it is well worth your time. The technology used to produce the attractions is amazing. You will also learn some historical facts that might surprise you. I couldn't believe there were 45 million buffaloes roaming the frontier before they were hunted and slain for their hides.

The lifestyle of the early pioneers was tough and it made you appreciate the conveniences we enjoy today. Many interesting exhibits told facts about cattle trail locations across the state, to how many days it took to walk,  
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seat, not admission to the game.

Remember,  
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## Callahan County Nutrition Board Requests Additional Operation Funds for Senior Citizen's Center

By Kim Lambert  
Special Writer

Tuesday, August 12th, there was a public hearing of the Cross Plains City Council.

Mary Alice Smith met with the Council to explain the two resolutions that are on the agenda for the purpose of applying for CDBG Funds for a Planning and Community Development Grant. There were no questions from the public. Ms. Smith also advised the council that she would need a "Certificate of Water Rates" form, signed by the Mayor, and she would get Gosnell the needed information.

With no further discussion, Jerry Cassle moved to adjourn, Bob Kirkham seconded and the motion carried.

All members of the council and City Administrator Debbie

Gosnell were present. Councilman Edwin Weiss was absent due to illness. Members of the public were Era Lee Hanke, Gene Dillard, Katy Dunn, Julene Franke, Mert Swofford, and Kim Lambert, a representative for the Cross Plains Review.

At 6:30 p.m., the regular meeting of the City Council convened.

Katy Dunn, Callahan County Nutrition Project Director, discussed the need for additional funds for the operation of the Cross Plains Senior Citizens Center. Ms. Dunn commented that she understands that everyone wants more money, but that with the rising cost of fuel as well as all the other expenses, they just cannot continue to come to Cross Plains to deliver the meals without extra money to cover the added

expenses.

A discussion was held about the current and future expenses of the operation. A comparison was made of the funds received from the cities that benefit from the operation, and Ms. Dunn requested that the City of Cross Plains begin paying as much as the City of Clyde, despite the fact that the City of Clyde's population is almost double that of Cross Plains. The City of Cross Plains is currently paying \$500, and the City of Clyde pays \$854.17.

Mileage from Clyde to Cross Plains is 68 miles daily and averages \$100 per week in fuel. 85,000 miles are on the van and \$2,200 was recently spent on repairs. The need to replace the van in the near future is imminent.

Ms. Dunn explained that there must be vents placed over the

scrimmage game, the Annual Ice Cream Supper will begin with the introduction of the football team, cheerleaders, band and cross country runners.

Please come out and show your support of the Buffaloes, meet the new coaches, and have some

delicious homemade ice cream to boot!

Anyone who ordered athletic posters from the Athletic Banquet, they are available to be picked up in the High School Principal's Office.

## Back to School at Cross Plains I.S.D. Holding "Drive In, Drop In" Event this Friday, Aug. 22

Cross Plains High School and Cross Plains Elementary School will be having a "Drive In, Drop In" event Friday, August 22, 8:30 a.m. - 11:00 and 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. Teachers will be working in their rooms on Friday and parents and students are encouraged to drop by to meet the teachers. Elementary students may put their supplies in their homerooms. The class lists of elementary students will be in the entry of the elementary school.

Mr. S.D. Loyless, High School Principal, and Mrs. Margie Sowell, Elementary Principal, are very proud of their students and

child's immunization record and the child must be accompanied by parent or guardian. For further information regarding immunizations, please call Cathy Northrup at the Patty Hanks Shelton School of Nursing in Abilene at 325-370-2374.

Families that need help with school supplies for their children can come to the Immunization Clinic at the high school gym, or call the elementary school offices at 254-725-6123. There are a number of individuals and community organizations wanting to help students with school related needs such as school supplies.

## MEET THE BUFFALOES Thursday, August 21st

"Meet the Buffaloes", sponsored by the Cross Plains Athletic Booster Club, will be held Thursday, August 21, at 6:00 p.m. at the Buffalo Stadium.

The Cross Plains Buffaloes will be scrimmaging San Saba. Immediately following the

scrimmage game, the Annual Ice Cream Supper will begin with the introduction of the football team, cheerleaders, band and cross country runners.

Please come out and show your support of the Buffaloes, meet the new coaches, and have some

## Local Author Publishes New Book: "Assisted Living"

Carol Walt, local author living near Pioneer, has published a new book, "Assisted Living". The themes of the book are aging and elder care and the problems facing one woman who must see to the care and well being of her ninety year old mother.

The other characters in the book are also dealing with these same issues for themselves or members of their families.

Carol says, "This book is a big departure for me. All of my previous books have been amusing short stories on Texas themes or lighthearted romance novels. This book looks at some very serious problems facing folks who may be called upon to care for aging relatives. In the book, the main character has to

deal with a very difficult aging mother and cope with the influences of her childhood within a rather dysfunctional family. It is, perhaps, a book that will strike a chord with many in our community who find themselves as caretakers for elderly relatives. As more Americans are living longer, these are issues we all must face for ourselves and our families."

The book is now on sale at the Cross Plains Public Library on Main Street. The cost is \$16.00 and all profits from sale of the book will go to the Library. The Library is open from 1:00 to 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday. You can also call or e-mail Carol to get a copy of the book at 254-643-4612 or

erwalt@bwoodtx.com.

The West Texas Book and Music Festival in Abilene will feature Carol reviewing her latest book at the Brown Bag Luncheon on Wednesday, September 24, at the Abilene Public Library. Carol will also have a display in the Hall of Texas Authors at the Civic Center on Saturday where she will have all of her books for sale. Make your plans now to participate in some aspect of the annual salute to Texas authors, sponsored by the Friends of the Abilene Public Library, The Abilene Reporter-News, and The Abilene Cultural Affairs Council.

Submitted by  
Arlene Stephenson



"We're Proud of Our Local Heritage"




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**Pastor: Wayne Lenz**  
**Music: Karen Lenz & Diane Woods**  
 Bible Study...10:00 am  
 Sunday Morning Worship...11:00 am  
 2990 Highway 36 at Rowden 12 Miles West of Cross Plains

**OBITUARIES**

**Louise Cloud Terrell**  
 Louise Cloud Terrell, age 85, died Wednesday, August 13, 2008, in Early, Texas. Graveside services are scheduled for 10:00 a.m. Friday, August 15, 2008 at Cross Plains Memorial Cemetery with Ronnie B. White officiating. She was born to Daniel "Dee" and Ione Dean Cloud on November 23, 1922 in Comanche, Texas. Louise married Jefferson Francis Terrell on December 24, 1940 in Comanche. She was a devoted homemaker and mother. Louise lived most of her life in Comanche and spent the past few years in a nearby nursing home. She was extremely proud of her son, Rick, as he served at the Pentagon and in Viet Nam, Korea and Germany. She was a Baptist. She is survived by her son, Rick Terrell and wife, Peg, of Cross Plains. She was preceded in death by her husband, Jeff Terrell of Salem, Oregon; her parents; and several brothers and sisters, also of Comanche.

**Douglas Glen Rountree**  
 Douglas Glen Rountree, age 55, passed from this earth after a lengthy battle with cancer on Saturday, August 16, 2008.

A memorial service was held on Wednesday, August 20, 2008 at 2:00 p.m. in the First United Methodist Church of Baird, Texas with Rev. Sandra Keith officiating. Services were under the direction of Parker Funeral Home in Baird.


Douglas was born September 14, 1952 in Abilene, Texas, to Robert and June Stewart Rountree. Doug attended schools in Brownwood until 1968 when he moved to White Settlement, Texas. He graduated from Brewer High School and later received a Bachelor Degree in Industrial Education from Tarleton State University. A veteran of the United States Air Force, he was an oil field consultant and engineer. He married Theresia Vitalis on March 17, 1984 in Gorman, Texas. Douglas has lived in Baird the past seven years, moving there from Gorman. He was a member of the First United Methodist Church of Baird.

Survivors include his parents, June and Robert Rountree of Gorman; his wife, Theresia Rountree of Baird, Texas; his daughter Jennifer and sons Sean and Jameson; one brother, Roy Rountree of Fort Worth, Texas; one sister, Rosemary Bradley and husband James of Mansfield, Texas; and one niece Jillian Bradley of Mansfield, Texas.

In lieu of flowers the family requests memorials be made to the First United Methodist Church of Baird c/o 724 Brookview Drive. Baird, Texas 79504.

**Medical Fund Set up for Katelyn Moore of Clyde**

A medical fund has been set up for Katelyn Moore, who was born on August 3, 2008. Katelyn is at Cook's Children's Hospital in Fort Worth with major cardiac issues, and is on life support. Katelyn's parents are Melinda and Thomas Moore of Clyde. The Moore Medical Fund, routing # 111304912, acct. #22036776, is at the First National Bank of Baird.

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**Sharon Koenig**  
 Sharon Koenig, 70, of Cross Plains, joined her Lord and Savior in Heaven on Thursday evening, August 14, 2008. Funeral services were held at the First United Methodist Church of Cross Plains at 2:00 p.m. Sunday, August 17, 2008. Burial followed at the Burkett Cemetery.

Sharon was born to Clyde and Mable Henson on March 25, 1938, in Coleman, Texas. She attended Coleman High School and married Robert Dick Koenig, of Burkett, on May 22, 1954. Sharon and Dick made their home in Burkett, where they farmed and ranched on the family's century-old homestead. Sharon worked tirelessly beside her husband in the farming and ranching business, where she kept the books, toiled in her garden, cooked meals for the family and farm hands, and pitched in when it was time to round up cattle, drive the tractors or fix the fences.

Sharon and Dick raised four children and seven grandchildren. She was devoted to each of her children and grandchildren, supporting them in endeavors ranging from bulldogging to ballet. She could always be found cheering on her children and grandchildren at rodeos, waiting on the sidelines at her granddaughter's softball games, or traveling across the country to visit her family. Sharon kept a home full of love and laughter where family and friends were welcomed by her hospitality at all times.

She loved life and inspired everyone with her energy and never ending positive attitude. She was an active member of the First United Methodist Church of Cross Plains and volunteered often, cooking in the church kitchen and sharing her love and food with the congregation. Sharon was an accomplished horsewoman throughout her life and an active Cutter and Team Penner well into her 60's. She was a nurturing person who loved to garden and care for animals and the people she loved.

Survivors include her husband of 54 years, Dick Koenig; her brother, Max Henson; her four children, Suzie Koenig, Sam Koenig, Sherry Odom and JoJo Morgan, and her seven grandchildren, Lindsey Van Newkirk, Megan Collins, Savannah Koenig, Spade Koenig, Katy Jo Morgan, Kiley Morgan and Ashley Moon.

Following the devastating fire in Cross Plains in 2005, Dick and Sharon worked tirelessly in the reconstruction of the First United Methodist Church of Cross Plains. In lieu of flowers, the family requests that donations be made to the Sharon Koenig Memorial Fund at the First United Methodist Church, 1000 North Main Street, Cross Plains. Donations will be used to complete the furnishing of the newly rebuilt church. Donations may also be made to the Shawn Odom Memorial Scholarship at Western Texas College in Snyder, Texas.

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**COURTHOUSE NEWS**

**Misdemeanor Filings**  
 Marion P. Kitzman, theft by check.  
 Christopher J. Cerda, possession of marijuana.  
 Ricky L. Monsey, driving while intoxicated (DWI).  
 Jesus J. Saucedo, display fictitious inspection certificate.

**Misdemeanor Minutes**  
 End of term order discharging defendants under misdemeanor probation: Christopher Allen Lucas, Bill Luera Vasquez, Dennis Ray Hawley Jr.  
 Amy Shiree Cox, motion to revoke probation granted.  
 End of term order discharging defendants under deferred adjudication: Bryson Cannon; Aaron Mensch; Margaret Garcia; Jimmy Neff; Anthony Fiorentini; Billy Wayne Sanders; Carla Biehl; Jody Jowers Fortune.  
 Dawn Perkins, motion to revoke probation granted.  
 Michael K. Haraburda, order releasing cash bond.  
 Thomas Lee Johnson, motion to revoke probation granted.  
 Andrew Marshall Ostenberg, order amending conditions of probation granted.  
 Alan P. Davis, motion to dismiss to possession of marijuana granted for plea to other case.  
 Andrew McGinnis, plea of guilty to DWI - 1st, 20 days in jail, \$460 court costs.  
 Jesus T. Labra, plea of guilty to failure to display driver's

license, \$272 fine, \$228 court costs.  
 Bryce Dee Davis, motion to dismiss to over registered weight granted in the interest of justice.  
 Bryce Dee Davis, motion to dismiss to farm violation granted in the interest of justice.

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

**Civil Filings**  
 Joshua Dean Falvey, an adult, change of name.

**Civil Minutes**  
 Sara Nicole Hall and John Dean Falvey, divorce granted.  
 Bruce C. Clark and Bruce A. Clark vs. Raymond Franke and Cecilia Franke, order granting plaintiff's motion for judgment nunc pro tunc.  
 Dennis Alexander Davis and Lesli Ann Davis, divorce granted.  
 David Lee Funeral Home vs. Dennis Breen, default judgment, plaintiff to recover the sum of \$11,974.80 from defendant.  
 Ronald John Duhon Jr. and Lori Jean Elliott, divorce granted.  
 Christopher Daniel Keith and Cathryn Nicole Briscoe Keith, divorce granted.  
 Barbara Ann Sanders and Eddie Lee Sanders, divorce granted.  
 Julie Michelle Cooper and Roger Scott Cooper, divorce granted.

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 Matt Sowell  
**Pastor Kathy Monroe**  
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# COTTONWOOD NEWS

BY WALLACE BENNETT

## Cottonwood Of Old

How many of you remember when E. (Pop) Whitaker emceed the musicals here in Cottonwood? The *Cross Plains Review* of November 18, 1970, published the following article under the heading "Annual Thanksgiving at Cottonwood Set for Friday Night". (I know it's summer but I'm thinking about fall weather.)

The article read "Annual Thanksgiving supper will be served in the Cottonwood Community Center Friday night, November 20. Women of the community will prepare and serve the meal. Proceeds from the charge of \$1.25 per plate have been earmarked for improvements to the Community Center building, which it is hoped can be air-conditioned by next summer. The annual Thanksgiving supper at Cottonwood has become a favorite popular function in recent years, and annually attracts several hundred people. Following the meal will be a regular Cottonwood Musical. An enlarged program is being prepared by E. (Pop) Whitaker of Baird who serves as emcee."

Those seem like the good old days of life in Cottonwood, especially the \$1.25 cost of the meal. Well, everything is going up, but it is still always a good deal when the Cottonwood ladies

prepare the Thanksgiving meal. Things change, but stay the same.

I remember when gasoline was about 10 cents a gallon. That's when you had to pump the gasoline into a tank that was over your head and it flowed by gravity into the tank of your car. Those were the days when you usually only bought about three gallons for the week's activity. My dad used to go over to Coffee's store and usually Norman or Floyd Coffee would come out to pump gas. My dad would hold two fingers in the air and say, as a joke, "fill 'er up!". They would put two gallons in the tank.

One day, Mr. Jim Coffee, the father of Norman and Floyd, was standing next to the pump when Dad drove up and as usual held up two fingers, said "fill 'er up!". He went in the store to buy something else. Well, Mr. Coffee was not familiar with the private joke between my dad and the two sons, so he put ten gallons in the tank. My father was very surprised when Mr. Coffee said, "That'll be \$2.00, Bryan." Obviously, Mr. Bryan Bennett did not have \$2.00 in his pockets.

## Have You Heard My Latest Pet Peeve?

It's these blooming LCD read-outs with all the latest technology. From computer monitors to cell

phones to gasoline pump meters and whatever you buy of new fangled technology the LCD read-outs cannot be read out. The overhead lights or the sunlight or something always blind you when you squint to find out what the silent outfit is trying to tell you.

I pulled into a filling station not too long ago, and complained about having to go into the store twice because I could not read the directions on the pump due to the sunlight. The attendant just looked at me and shrugged her shoulders.

"I don't believe I'll come in here any more." She said, "Sir, before I tell you good bye, please pay me four dollar for the car wash you ordered."

"But I did not order a car wash," I rejoined.

She said, "Yes, you did, you punched the yes button on the pump when it asked do you want a car wash. That'll be four dollars, please, and good bye."

## Don't Forget to Remember Fire Meeting Next Week

Next week, Thursday, August 28, is the night you are supposed to come to the fire hall for the fire meeting. Cottonwood needs you! The Forest Service truck donated to the Cottonwood Fire Control Unit still needs repair and that will be the main activity. So be there if you possibly can attend!

# LIBRARY

## NOTES

August 11-15, 2008

<b>Patrons:</b>	150
<b>Summer Reading Program:</b>	49
<b>Other Programs:</b>	11
<b>Books Checked Out:</b>	129
<b>Copies:</b>	33
<b>Reference:</b>	9
<b>Internet Users:</b>	73
<b>Interlibrary Loans:</b>	0

## Book Donations:

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Tucker Isbell

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Charles and Lou Rodenberger  
**Honoring Cecil and Mary Barton**

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Arlene Stephenson  
Ann Beeler  
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# Barb's Cues

By Barbara Holmes Worcester

## GREAT WORDS OF WISDOM

A group of graduates, well established in their careers, were talking at a reunion and decided to go visit their old university professor, now retired. During their visit, the conversation turned to complaints about stress in their work and lives. Offering his guests hot chocolate, the professor went into the kitchen and returned with a large pot of hot chocolate and an assortment of cups - porcelain, glass, crystal, some plain looking, some expensive, some exquisite - telling them to help themselves to the hot chocolate.

When they all had a cup of hot chocolate in hand, the professor said: "Notice that all the nice looking, expensive cups were taken, leaving behind the plain and cheap ones. While it is normal for you to want only the best for yourselves, that is the source of your problems and stress. The cup that you're drinking from adds nothing to the quality of the hot chocolate. In most cases it is just more expensive and in some cases even hides what we drink. What all of you really wanted was hot chocolate, not the cup; but you consciously went for the best cups... And then you began eyeing each other's cups."

Now consider this: Life is the hot chocolate; your job, money and position in society are the cups. They are just tools to hold and contain life. The cup you have does not define, nor change the quality of life you have. Sometimes, by concentrating only on the cup, we fail to enjoy the hot chocolate God has provided us. God makes the hot chocolate, man chooses the cups.

The happiest people don't have

the best of everything. They just make the best of everything that they have.

Live simply. Love generously. Care deeply. Speak kindly. And enjoy your hot chocolate.

From the Internet  
Notice the "From the Internet" notion. It means that I did NOT write the piece. If I only printed what I write you would be sadly cheated. There is so much "good stuff" out there by writers much better than I. However I am required to give credit for other peoples writing. Much of the time it comes to me from the Internet and I just have to indicate that because I do not know who wrote it. I am grateful to friends who send things I think you would enjoy.

BHW By the way, this is my own mark. It means I did write it woe or wonder.

## Squash Casserole

2 16-ounce cans squash (drained) \*  
1 small onion diced  
1 cup carrots diced  
1 small jar pimento  
12 ounce sour cream  
1 can cream of chicken soup

Mix all these items together.

1 stick of butter or oleo  
1 package Pepperidge Farm Dressing (#7 bird size)

Melt butter and mix with dressing. Pour layer of dressing mix into bottom of casserole dish. Pour ingredient mix into dish and top with the balance of the dressing mix. Bake 30 to 45 minutes in 350° oven.

\* Use fresh cooked squash when available.

Mrs. R. A. Nelson  
Raleigh, N.C.

# Did You Know?

By Justin Marre

(Please note that these facts vary by location. It might not be the same for everyone. These facts are based upon North American weather studies, primarily Texas, being that I live here.)

Now, let's explain how you know when one has occurred. The more common to my research is quite simple. You know the "comma" symbol? When a microburst occurs, it hits the ground with much force, and then begins spreading out. Let's say it is very lightly sprinkling

outside, then suddenly it begins pouring down real bad and the winds are rather fast. Then it gets peaceful about five minutes later. Chances are you just experienced a microburst. Did you notice that the water was acting like a comma lying down? It was producing what I like to call the curl effect. A dry microburst is the same way, only it consists of little or no moisture and air. Now do you understand why these events are so dangerous to pilots? Well, thank you for reading. Any questions, email stormchaser101@yahoo.com. www.srh.noaa.gov.

# Additional Names to Be Etched on the Cross Plains and Area Veterans Memorial Very Soon

## Donations Still Appreciated

The following names have recently been submitted for the Cross Plains Veterans Memorial:  
**World War I**  
Dawson, C.H.  
Burks, Thomas B.

**World War II**  
Andrews, Reynard  
Burks, Boswell  
Bryant, Tom E.  
Childs, J.H.  
Jones, Bill  
Jones, Clyde H.  
Peterson, Merlin L.  
Rudloff, Cecil  
Strain, Weldon R.  
Russell, J.A. (Jack)

**Korea**  
Ingram, Harold  
Lee, Maxwell N.  
Yeager, Gene A.

**Berlin**  
Gerking, Ross R.  
Parrish, Garmond  
Shirley, Sidney

## Down Home—

ride a horse, or ride a stage to various Texas towns. It was quite different from our travel time today.

The production in the room with the 360 degree screen was my personal favorite. The wooden stools that allowed you to spin around for the ultimate view was just too neat! I won't tell any more so can see it for yourself.

Leah, Kreede and I watched the outstanding opening ceremony of the 2008 Olympics. The Chinese certainly put on a fantastic show. We enjoyed the gymnastics, swimming, volleyball, etc. I've been watching every evening to see how well the USA is competing. The dedication and training for each sport speaks volumes about the athletes.

The girls time here flew by. They left for home Monday morning and I already miss them.

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**Vietnam**  
Herzing, Kenneth A.  
Lee, Maxwell, N.  
Turner, Milton (Mike)  
Wells, Jimmy  
Weeks, Dale (Pee Wee) \*  
Woody, Clyde A.  
Chastain, Darrel L.

**Iraq**  
Bennett, John Elias  
Bennett, Zachary D.  
Stauffer, Phillip  
Young, William R.  
Spurgeon, Jared Wayne  
Bisbee, Chris  
(\* Denotes Killed in Action)

Please check over the above list for errors in spelling, war placement, etc. If you find any error on the above list, please contact Audrey Purvis 254-725-6486 or Cindy Payne 254-725-6692. If you have any additions to the list, please contact Audrey or Cindy, as the deadline to submit names will be announced soon.

The cost of engraving additional names has increased since construction of the memorial. Donations to help pay for engraving costs may be mailed or taken to the Texas Heritage Bank (Cross Plains Veterans Memorial Fund Account). Your contributions will be greatly appreciated.

## SENIOR CITIZENS MENU

**AUGUST 25-29**  
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**WEDNESDAY-** Beef-Tomato-Macaroni, Waldorf Salad, Mixed Squash, Ranger Cookie, Bread  
**THURSDAY-** Pepper Steak w/ Gravy, Buttered Rice, Steamed Carrots, Cake, Roll  
**FRIDAY-** Ham Salad Sandwich, Potato Soup, Pears, Oatmeal Raisin Cookie, Crackers  
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# Helping Hearts and Hands Needs Applicants

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application please call Pat Stephens at 254-725-6819. This is a worthwhile community project that has been in action since 1998. Volunteers will be needed once again to complete these projects, so be looking for a date to be set in the fall of this year. We are excited and looking forward to this year's endeavor. If you have any questions or would like information, please contact Roxie Thomas at 254-725-6141 or Pat Stephens at 254-725-6819. 21-46c

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"Keep your face always to the sunshine and the shadows will fall behind you." It could be a proverb from the Bible but it's a quote from a book, *Helps to Happiness*.

The best outside photographs are when we face the sun so our shadows are behind us. And our lives are much better when we face the Sun and always look at Him. If we walk toward Jesus, we'll be facing the light - THE LIGHT! - and Satan (darkness) will be behind us at best. John wrote by revelation, "God is light and in Him is no darkness at all" (1 John 1:5), then continues, "If we say that we have fellowship with Him, but walk in darkness, we lie and do not practice the truth. But if we walk in the light as He is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus Christ His Son cleanses us from all sin" (vv. 6-7).

There's sunshine - actually SONshine - and there's shadows and darkness. Which will we put before us and which we put behind us?

I encourage you to share in times of Bible study and worship with us as we strive to "sign our lives with the excellence of God".  
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Sunday Morning Worship...10:45a.m. Wed. Evening Bible Study...7:00p.m.  
Friends & Neighbors Caring In Jesus



**SAY CHEESE—** Frances Thornton gives a program on photography and the children loved it.



**LITTLE READERS SHOW OFF THEIR GOODIES—** They are holding their poem book and new crayons.

## Summer Reading Program at Local Library Ends Successfully

The 2008 Summer Reading Program at the Cross Plains Public Library ended with a big "say cheese" for the children attending the last session. Frances Thornton presented a wonderful program on photography. She started by telling the children the history of photographs and what people did before cameras were invented. The only way to preserve someone's look was to sketch or paint the image. She demonstrated by having the children draw a picture of the librarian, and then compared it with a color picture taken of her.

Frances had many humorous and amusing examples of photography as she taught them how valuable photography is to all of us. Most of us have never seen the President of the United

States, but we all know what he looks like because of the pictures we have seen of him. She also educated the children on the correct way to visualize how a picture will turn out, how to judge distances, and how to take group pictures.

When the program was over each child attending was treated to a disposable camera, donated by Wilma Lawrence, so each one could practice what they had learned. The children were invited to share some of their pictures for display in the library when they finish taking them.

After reading books about pets, Sue Bennett's Little Readers made a poem book called 'My Pets' to take home to color. It consisted of pictures of dogs, cats, rabbits, chickens and ducks. Miss

Sue also gave them a new box of crayons to go with their book.

We want to thank all our wonderful volunteers who presented such interesting and exciting programs for us this summer, and to all the parents who brought their children for an opportunity to have the variety of learning experiences offered at the library.

You are welcome to come by the library to see our readers honor board and to see how the children covered up the state of Texas by signing up for the reading program! Children who finished the required 300 minutes received tickets to Grace Museum, the Abilene Zoo or Frontier Texas.

Submitted by  
Linda Burns, Librarian

## Make safety essentials part of back-to-school checklist for college-bound students

As thousands of students return to college campuses this fall, many are preoccupied with what to wear, how to accessorize their dorm rooms, and whether their new roommate will have a mini fridge or TV to share. While there's no need to sweat the small stuff, packing for college does require careful planning for essential household items to help keep students safe and secure while away from home. In fact, one of the most serious threats to student safety is alarmingly on the rise. The National Fire Protection Agency reports that while the overall number of structure fires has decreased by 52 percent since 1980, the number of campus housing fires has increased to more than 3,300 annually. Here are a few planning tips from First Alert, the leader in home safety, to consider when preparing your college packing list: Making the Trip Safely\* Before you start packing, make sure you have the right number and size of boxes or other packing systems for transporting items. Use smaller boxes for heavier items so they are easier to lift. Pack large boxes to capacity so items don't shift during transport.\* Use bubble wrap or other protective material for delicate belongings, such as mirrors, dishware or knick-knacks. Carefully wrap sharp edges. Mark these items as

"fragile."\* Never pack bedding or clothes in plastic bags. Items may absorb moisture, tear or otherwise incur damage.\* When transporting items on a trailer or in a truck bed, carefully secure them with restraints or a tie-down. A new stretch rope called Cordzilla is available in 3-foot, 4-foot and 5-foot lengths stretching up to nine feet. Cordzilla features two slidable, protective foam sleeves that can be moved to fit over valued possessions like table corners that might otherwise get scratched. The rubber foam sleeves stay firmly in place, keeping the rope inside the sleeves in place helping to eliminate abrasion. Fire Prevention and Safety\* Make sure that every student's room has a working smoke alarm. If living in off-campus housing, make sure to install smoke alarms on every level of the residence and in every bedroom or sleeping area.\* Test smoke alarms at least once a week and replace batteries every six months.\* Never disable smoke alarms or remove batteries even temporarily; forgetting to replace them is a common cause of fire deaths and injuries.\* Keep a fire extinguisher or Tundra Fire Extinguishing Spray in your dorm room or off-campus apartment near your microwave or cooking areas.\* Know where all exits and fire escapes are located for

both on-campus and off-campus housing. Create and practice an escape plan at least twice a year. Poison Prevention (Carbon monoxide (CO), an invisible, odorless gas, can also threaten your health and can cause serious injury or death before you even know that it's there. Here are a few precautions students living in off-campus housing can take to protect against this insidious gas.\* Have all fuel-burning appliances carefully checked to ensure they are working properly, including your furnace, oven or stove.\* Check to make sure that appliances, flues and chimneys are in good working order and are properly ventilated.\* Install a minimum of one CO alarm outside each sleeping area, and for maximum protection, install at least one CO alarm per level.\* Inspect the pilot lights on natural gas appliances to ensure that they are not mostly yellow in color, which indicates that the fuel is not burning efficiently.\* Packing for college often requires trade offs due to the space limitations for dorms and off-campus housing," says Deborah Hanson, BRK Brands/First Alert director of external affairs. "But don't let those space considerations stop you from making the right choices for creating a safe and secure college environment.

### SCHOOL LUNCH MENU

AUGUST 25-29  
BREAKFAST

MONDAY - Cereal, Graham Crackers, Assorted Juice

TUESDAY - Cereal, Graham Crackers, Assorted Juice

WEDNESDAY - French Toast Sticks, Sausage Link, Assorted Juice

THURSDAY - Muffin, Yogurt, Assorted Juice

FRIDAY - Cinnamon Roll, Yogurt, Assorted Juice

### LUNCH

MONDAY- Corn Dog, Baked Beans, Pickle Spears, Mixed Fruit

TUESDAY- Chicken Nuggets w/ Gravy, Mashed Potatoes, Green Beans, Roll, Sliced Peaches

WEDNESDAY - Fiesta Salad (Chili Beans, Corn, Chips, Cheese, Rice, Salad), Pineapples

THURSDAY- Fish or Hot Pocket, Coleslaw, Blackeyed Peas, Cornbread, Pear Halves

FRIDAY- Beef or Chicken Patty on Bun, Lettuce, Tomato, & Pickles, Baked Wedges, Cookie

### C.P.I.S.D. SCHOOL BOARD CALLED MEETING

A called meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Cross Plains I.S.D. will be held on August 26, beginning at 6:30 p.m. in the high school administrative board room. The subjects to be discussed or considered or upon which any formal action may be taken are as follows:

#### Adopt Budget and Tax Rate.

If, during the course of the meeting, any discussion of any item on the agenda should be held in a closed meeting, the Board will convene in such closed

meeting in accordance with the Open Meetings Act, Chapter 551, Government Code. Before any such meeting is convened, the presiding officer will publicly identify the section or sections of the Act authorizing the closed meeting. All final votes, actions, or decisions will be taken in open meeting.

This notice was posted in compliance with the Open Meetings Act on August 19, 2008, at 10:00 a.m. by Jackie Tennison for the Board of Trustees.

## Coast to Coast Baseball Tryout Schedules Told

Coast to Coast Baseball would like to invite local players (ages 10-18) to one of our upcoming tryout events. At the tryout, our staff will evaluate your skills in four areas; hitting, fielding, arm strength and speed. Players who are accepted may choose to represent the USA in competition in Puerto Rico, or work with top college coaches and pro scouts at one of Florida Camp and Showcase events held at a MLB spring-training complex.

In addition to the tryouts, a three-hour hitting camp will be held the same day. The goal is to help players improve hitting fundamentals as well as their mental approach at the plate.

Events will be held at:

#### University of the Incarnate Word - San Antonio

Saturday, October 11 - 10 a.m.

University of Dallas @ Irving

Saturday, August 23 - 10 a.m.

Abilene High School - Abilene

Saturday, September 27 - 10 a.m.

For more information or to register for one or both events on our website or by calling our office

www.CoastToCoastAthletics.com

Phone 740-373-4455.

Tryout cost - \$25.00; Hitting Camp \$50.00 or attend both events \$65.00. Payment is not necessary to pre-register online.

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1- red pen/pencil for grading

2- highlighters

1- thick spiral notebook or

1 inch polybinder for journal writings and notes

1- black or blue ink pen

Plenty of wide-ruled notebook paper

1- folder with brads

### Eighth Grade

Several black or blue ink pens

Several #2 pencils (mechanical ok as long as lead equals a #2 pencil)

1- red pen/pencil for grading

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1- thick spiral notebook or

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## Drunk driving is on the rise in Texas Thousands of law enforcement officers joining Labor Day crackdown

HOUSTON—Federal, state and local transportation officials rallied at Texas Southern University Thursday, August 7th to call attention to the growing problem of drunk driving in Harris County and across the state.

The Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) and the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) joined Mothers Against Drunk Driving, local law enforcement and other community leaders to weigh alternatives for combating drunk driving, which is on the rise in Texas.

Texas continues to lead the nation in drunk driving traffic fatalities. During 2006, 1,354 motorists in Texas died in alcohol-impaired crashes where the driver had a blood or breath alcohol concentration of .08 or higher—up 34 deaths from the

previous year. Despite improvements during 2006, an average of 17 motorists per month died in alcohol-related traffic crashes in Harris County.

The meeting precedes the national drunk driving crackdown planned for the two weeks leading up to this year's Labor Day holiday.

TxDOT officials announced today that thousands of state troopers and local law enforcement will be stepping up enforcement of the state's DWI laws between August 15th and September 1st. Last year, 3,979 drunk drivers were arrested during the two-week crackdown, up more than 700 arrests from the prior year. Preliminary data indicates 168 people died in alcohol-related traffic crashes in Texas during August and September last year.

"Our *Drink, Drive, Go to Jail* campaign reminds motorists that if they drink and drive this Labor Day holiday, they will get arrested. Our goal is simple: to prevent alcohol-related crashes, which saves lives and prevents injuries," said Carlos Lopez, TxDOT's director of traffic operations. "Stay out of trouble and don't get behind the wheel if you've been drinking."

Convicted first-time DWI offenders can pay a fine of up to \$2,000, lose their driver's license for as long as a year, and serve 180 days in jail.

Safety officials say other costs associated with a drunk driving arrest and conviction can add up to more than \$10,000 for bail, legal fees, court appearances, court-ordered classes and vehicle insurance increases and other expenses.

## This Week in Texas History

By: Bartee Haile

### Young Austin gets mixed up with shady character

AUGUST 20 - 26, 2008

When the two men parted on Aug. 26, 1822, Stephen F. Austin asked Gen. Arthur G. Wavell to act on his behalf while in England.

The polite and purely symbolic request was the young empresario's way of thanking the Scotsman for his help and hospitality. But the soldier of fortune took the simple gesture to mean the future "Father of Texas" had made him his partner.

Austin went to Mexico City in the summer of 1822 to obtain clear title to his dead father's land grant. The 28 year old former legislator from Arkansas assumed the visit would be short and sweet since sympathetic officials already had confirmed the legal standing of his claim.

The stranger soon learned the foreign capital functioned at a snail's pace. The bewildered babe in the bureaucratic woods was getting nowhere fast until an enigmatic European took pity on him.

Compassion was out of character for Gen. Arthur Goodall Wavell, a professional soldier who traveled the world selling his services to the highest bidder. But Austin impressed him, to use the Scot's own words, as "a man of intellect and energy, and I resolved to render him all the assistance in my power."

Wavell also made a strong impression on Austin, undoubtedly dazzled by the older man's thrilling tales of distant battlefields and international intrigue. Though only eight years Austin's senior, Wavell had fought under four flags including Great Britain, Spain, Chile and newly independent Mexico.

As a brigadier general in the Mexican military, Wavell was in a position to cut through the red tape. In addition to his expert advice and indispensable introductions, the generous general also gave his destitute guest a place to

sleep and spending money.

Wavell was sent to England in August 1822 as a special envoy to secure diplomatic recognition of Mexican independence. Before his departure, Austin provided him with the necessary documents to serve as his agent. It was a token of his gratitude as well as an attempt to attract British investment in the colonization of Mexico's northernmost province.

Wavell did not return for two long years, and by then Austin had gained an Anglo-American foothold in Texas. Although the two never again laid eyes on each other, they stayed in touch through a rather one-sided correspondence.

Wavell wrote on a regular basis, while Austin's replies were few and far between. For the busy empresario, letters were a luxury he rarely could afford.

There was another reason the mercenary's long-winded monologues went unanswered for months at a time. Austin was perplexed by Wavell's repeated attempts to take credit for the successful settlement of Texas and his ridiculous insistence that they were partners.

Failing to pressure Austin into giving him a piece of his action, Wavell applied for a grant of his own. The petition was approved in 1826, and he hired Ben Milam to recruit residents for the sizable strip along the Red River.

Nothing ever came of the Wavell Colony. Milam had trouble contacting his elusive boss, whose Mexican employment was terminated in 1833, and eventually dropped the project in favor of the struggle for independence.

When Gen. Wavell checked on the status of his uninhabited grant in 1837, Milam and Austin were dead and Texas was a sovereign nation. The Republic had voided all land grants issued by the previous regime and

ignored his pleas for compensation.

Wavell received more bad news in 1841. A survey of the Red River revealed that the eastern end of his grant extended beyond the boundary of Texas, and Arkansas was understandably opposed to parting with any portion of its territory.

After annexation, Wavell decided once more to request restitution for his confiscated land. In his first intelligent move in years, he retained the illustrious Ashbel Smith—former surgeon general of the Texas Army, envoy to England and France and secretary of state—to plead his case.

Smith informed his client in February 1853 that the months of persuasive arm-twisting were about to pay off. He predicted the state legislature would pass a bill in the next session that would permit Wavell to seek redress in the Texas courts.

The overly optimistic forecast missed the mark by three long years. However, in October 1856 Smith was able to notify Wavell that the final obstacle to the long-delayed lawsuit had been removed at last.

Ironically, the distinguished Texan never heard another word from the globe-trotting general. Ashbel Smith could only conclude that, after three uneventful decades, Wavell had lost interest in the matter.

The strange silence of Stephen F. Austin's "silent partner" remains an unsolved mystery of Texas history. Maybe, just maybe, Gen. Wavell realized in the end that Texas did not owe him anything after all.

*"Revolution & Republic: Texas 1832-1846" - the latest "Best of This Week in Texas History" collection available for \$10.95 plus \$3.25 postage and handling from Bartee Haile, P.O. Box 152, Friendswood, TX 77549 or order online at www.twith.com.*

## Fire chief to request more county funding to Clyde Volunteer Fire Department

Callahan County Commissioners will soon receive a letter from the Clyde Volunteer Fire Department Fire Chief requesting the county increase funding to the department.

At the Tuesday, August 12th Clyde City Council meeting held to conduct a budget workshop for the city's 2008-2009 fiscal year, Clyde Mayor Dustin Hawk asked Clyde Volunteer Fire Department's Fire Chief Billy Dezer to send a letter from the local fire department asking the county to fund a portion of two new fire brush trucks being considered for purchase soon.

The discussion of the lack of county funding for the fire department came up during the city council's discussion of the fire department's budget.

Dezer, who also serves as a Clyde City Councilman, brought up the fire department's budget to include funding for a feasibility study for the new Emergency Services Facility being planned for city-owned property located near the new Clyde FM 604 overpass. Dezer said he had talked to Jacob & Martin Engineer Randall Scott about the cost to perform the feasibility study and Scott said the study would cost about \$28,000. Dezer said the fire department is in favor of using some of the department's revenue to get this process started. Dezer said the fire department and Clyde Economic Development Corporation could each pay half of the funding for the study and if a proposed bond election passes to fund the Emergency Services Facility, the two entities could be paid back with some of the bond money.

"We need to move forward to utilize the property we already have," Councilman Dezer said. Councilman Dezer told the city council members the fire department would soon pay off the new rescue fire truck and the department is proposing to purchase two new brush fire trucks to replace two current brush trucks. The projected cost of one new brush fire truck is between \$85,000 and \$90,000.

During discussion of the purchase of two new brush fire trucks, Mayor Dustin Hawk asked Councilman Dezer how many fire calls the fire department receives that are located outside the city limits of Clyde and Councilman Dezer said 68 percent of all calls are outside the city limits of Clyde. Mayor Hawk questioned why the City of Clyde is funding \$131,000 for the fire department and Callahan County provides \$600 annually (\$50 per month).

"The county is getting a free ride," Mayor Hawk said. Mayor Hawk said he personally feels the citizens of Clyde should pay to help fund fire calls outside the city limits.

"I agree," Councilman Dezer said. However Dezer said because the fire department is also funded by donations from residents not only inside the city limits, but outside the city limits, the fire department will continue to fight fire outside the city limits. "The citizens of the county contribute greatly to the fire department," Councilman Dezer said. He said donations to the fire department vary each year based upon the number of grass fires, but the department receives about \$14,000 annually in donations.

Councilman Rodger Brown agreed with Mayor Hawk, saying, "I'm 100 percent behind you (Mayor Hawk)." Councilman Brown went on to say, "What do you do, not fight fires in the county."

Councilman Dezer said he's open to any ideas the city council might have in persuading the county to fund the local fire department more. Councilman Dezer said as long as he's fire chief, the fire department will continue to battle fires outside the city limits. "I don't want to hurt the citizens of life and property. I don't have an answer for it. I'm open to suggestions."

Councilman Brown said he's compassionate about the issue and knows the fire department is not going to withhold fire protection for county residents. Councilman Brown said the citizens of Clyde should not be providing revenue to the county.

Councilman Jim Rector, who also serves as a director for the Citizens Emergency Medical Service, said the Citizens EMS has been battling with the county commissioners over the subsidy for the ambulance service. "The EMS has been fighting this since April," Councilman Rector said.

Councilman Dezer said the two new brush fire trucks are needed to get the brush firefighting equipment more modern. He said one of the current brush trucks was out of commission for one month to get it fixed. Councilman Dezer also said the department needs to go with more modern equipment that has seat belts for all the personnel. He said the goal is to get seat belts in all the department's trucks and the department can't do that in all the current vehicles.

Mayor Hawk said the topic of the discrepancy in funding the fire department can go on past tonight. "We need a County-wide solution," Mayor Hawk said.

Mayor Hawk said he's talked with Taylor County's Judge about how that county funds fire departments and the Taylor County Judge said the county has 14 fire departments they fund annually.

Councilman Dezer said because the fire department takes donations in the county, the fire

department can't leave people without help. "We need to provide good service and to use good equipment," Dezer said.

Councilman Dezer said all the volunteer fire departments within Callahan County would love to see Clyde take the lead on the issue of funding the county fire departments.

When asked what other counties do to fund volunteer fire departments, Interim City Administrator Olen Petty said while he was at Hopkins County, the county voters approved a fire district for the county with a county fire chief. Petty said that would be the only way to take it out of the city's and county's hands.

Councilman Dezer voiced his opposition to such a solution saying that fire service would deteriorate. "I'm proud of the service we provide now," Councilman Dezer said.

Mayor Hawk suggested that someone sit down with the county to discuss funding for the local fire department.

Councilman Dezer said the two new brush fire trucks would be utilized for county and city residents.

The city council also discussed how the fire department is funded through the city's one-half of one percent sales tax. A question was asked if the voters intended to approve the one-half of one percent city sales tax, knowing the funding would provide fire protection inside and outside the city limits. Councilman Dezer said voters in Clyde approved funding for the local fire department and he said the city can't have those funds going to either/or city or county equipment. Councilman Dezer said the fire department would then get into a situation asking where a certain piece of equipment goes to a particular situation.

Councilman Rector said he feels every city council member is in support of the new Emergency Services Facility. "The Citizens EMS is in the same shape (as the fire department)," Councilman Rector said. He said if the Citizens EMS loses the county's funding he doesn't see how the EMS could continue to operate with funding only from the City of Clyde and City of Baird.

Mayor Hawk then asked Councilman Dezer if he would send a letter to the county commissioners requesting more subsidy for the fire department. Councilman Dezer said he would do that, however he would not threaten by denying fire protection outside the city limits.

At the conclusion, Councilman Dezer said in the 30 years he's been associated with the Clyde Volunteer Fire Department, he's received not one complaint about going outside the city limits to fight a fire.

## Callahan County 4-H Shooting Sports Dove Warm-up

The Callahan County 4-H Shooting Sports Club will hold their 5th annual Dove Warm-Up, Saturday, August 23, 2008, at the 4-H range off FM 18 between Clyde & Baird.

A team of 5 can shoot 50 targets each at the 5-stand event for \$125. Prizes will be awarded for 1st through 3rd place in team, individual (13 & older), and kids (12 & under divisions). Call to reserve a time to shoot.

The trap and skeet fields will also be open. Hone your skills for \$6.00 a round (25 targets). Hit a "green" target and win a prize. Also, try your luck at the "Long-Bird" game.

So, grab your shotgun, shells, and hunting vest and come out and shoot some clays and eat a brisket sandwich. All proceeds benefit the Callahan County 4-H Shooting Sports programs.

To sign up for 5-stand or more information, call Kevin Meier at 325-672-9521 (Longacres) or 325-665-7810.

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# County Commissioners approve 2008-2009 proposed budget of \$4,349,042.07

The Callahan County Commissioners' Court voted to accept the 2008-2009 proposed budget for Callahan County during the commissioners' court regular monthly meeting held Monday, August 11th.

On a motion by Commissioner Harold Hicks and a second by Commissioner, the commissioners' court voted unanimously to accept the 2008-2009 proposed budget for the General Fund of \$3,136,533.94 and the proposed budget for the Road and Bridge Fund at \$1,212,508.13.

Other agenda items brought before the commissioners' court included:

—County Judge Roger Corn called the commissioners' court meeting to order at 9:34 a.m. Present were Judge Corn, Commissioner Precinct #1 Harold Hicks, Commissioner Precinct #2 Bryan Farmer, Commissioner Precinct #3 Tom Windham, Commissioner Precinct #4 Cliff Kirkham, County Treasurer Dianne Gunter, and County Clerk Donna Bell.

—Under public comments, Judge Corn thank the commissioners and their employees for the good job they did in removing four large cedar trees from the County Courthouse lawn in Baird.

—Commissioner Kirkham made a motion to pass a resolution establishing rules and regulations regarding the use of excessive force during nonviolent civil rights demonstrations. This resolution is a requirement by the Texas Community Development Block Grants Program. Judge Corn seconded the motion which passed with a 5-0 vote.

—Commissioner Windham made a motion to pass a resolution appointing County Judge, County Clerk, and County Treasurer to have signature authority for TXCDBG Contracts 728247 and 728237. Commissioner Hicks seconded the motion and it passed with a 5-0 vote.

—Commissioner Farmer made a motion to accept renewal of medical insurance through the Texas Association of Counties Health and Employee Benefits Pool. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Hicks and it passed 5-0.

—After some discussion, Commissioner Farmer made a motion to sign a resolution of the Callahan County Commissioners' Court to participate in developing a scope of work that can be used to develop a Justice System Software. This software will be county-owned and the county will be committed to contribute .001 percent of the county's 2009 General Fund revenue. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Kirkham and passed with a 5-0 vote.

—Judge Corn made a motion to sign a resolution declaring August as Fair Housing Month in Callahan County. The motion was seconded by Commissioner

Kirkham and passed with a 5-0 vote.

—The commissioners' court opened sealed bids for two new vehicles for the County Sheriff's Department. Bids were submitted by Hanner Chevrolet and Blake Fulenwider Dodge. After some discussion, Commissioner Hicks made a motion to approve Sheriff Curtis's choice. Commissioner Farmer seconded the motion and it passed with a 5-0 vote.

—Commissioner Farmer made a motion to approve a resolution on Joint Elections between Callahan County and Eula ISD for all future elections. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Hicks and it carried with a 5-0 vote.

—Commissioner Windham made a motion to pay all the approved bills. Commissioner Kirkham seconded the motion, which then carried with a 5-0 vote.

—A motion was made by Commissioner Hicks and seconded by Commissioner Farmer to adjourn the commissioners' court meeting. The motion carried with a 5-0 vote.

## RESOLUTION

A RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING RULES AND REGULATIONS REGARDING THE USE OF EXCESSIVE FORCE DURING NONVIOLENT CIVIL RIGHTS DEMONSTRATIONS INCLUDING PHYSICALLY BARRING ENTRANCE TO A FACILITY OR LOCATION WHICH IS THE SUBJECT OF SUCH DEMONSTRATION AND PROVIDING PENALTIES FOR VIOLATIONS THEREOF IN CALLAHAN COUNTY, STATE OF TEXAS, AS FOLLOWS

## ARTICLE I

Section 1: It is the policy of Callahan County to prohibit the use of excessive force by the law enforcement agencies within its jurisdiction against any individual engaged in nonviolent civil rights demonstrations. The County also prohibits the physical barring of any entrance to, or exit from, such a facility within its jurisdiction.

## ARTICLE II

Section 2: It is the policy of the County to enforce this policy to the full extent allowed by law.

## ARTICLE III

Passed and adopted by the Commissioners Court of Callahan County, State of Texas, on the 11th day of August, 2008.

(s) Roger Corn  
County Judge  
(s) Donna Bell  
County Clerk

## RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the Executive Committee is the governing body

RESOLUTION OF CALLAHAN COUNTY AUTHORIZING DESIGNATED SIGNATORS FOR TEXAS COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANTS PROGRAM CONTRACT 728247.

WHEREAS, the County has received funding under the Texas Community Development Block Grants Program; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to designate signators for contractual documents pertaining to these contracts.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY CALLAHAN COUNTY, TEXAS:

Section 1. That the Commissioners' Court designates the County Judge, County Clerk, and County Treasurer as authorized signators for State of Texas Purchase Vouchers for the Texas Community Development Block Grants Program Contract 728247; and,

Section 2. That the Commissioners' Court designates the County Judge, County Clerk, and County Treasurer as authorized signators for Requests for Advance or Reimbursement for the Texas Community Development Block Grants Program Contract 728247; and,

Section 3. That the Commissioners' Court directs and designates the County Judge as the County's Chief Executive Officer and Authorized Representative to act in all matters in connection with the Texas Community Development Block Grants Program Contract 728247.

PASSED AND APPROVED, this 11th day of August, 2008.

## APPROVED:

(s) Roger Corn  
County Judge  
(s) Donna Bell  
County Clerk

A RESOLUTION OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF THE WEST CENTRAL TEXAS COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS DECLARING AUGUST AS FAIR HOUSING MONTH IN WEST CENTRAL TEXAS COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS REGION.

WHEREAS, the West Central Council of Governments is a political subdivision of the State of Texas organized under the authority of Title 12, Subtitle C, Chapter 391, Vernon's Texas Codes, Annotated (Local Government Code), to serve the citizens of the nineteen county state planning service area #7; and

WHEREAS, the Executive Committee is the governing body

of the WCTCOG and is responsible for the adoption of resolutions deemed by it to be in the best interests of the citizens it represents; and

WHEREAS, Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1968, as amended, prohibits discrimination in housing and declares it a national policy to provide, within constitutional limits, for fair housing in the United States; and

WHEREAS, the fortieth anniversary of this National Fair Housing law provides opportunity for all Americans to recognize that the goal of equal housing opportunity can only be accomplished with the help and cooperation of all Americans;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS THAT AUGUST BE DECLARED FAIR HOUSING MONTH IN THE WEST CENTRAL TEXAS COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS REGION AND ALL CITIZENS OF THE REGION BE ENCOURAGED TO BE AWARE OF AND SUPPORT THE FAIR HOUSING LAW.

ADOPTED THIS THE 11TH DAY OF AUGUST, 2008.

(s) Roger Corn  
County Judge  
Callahan County, Texas  
ATTEST:  
(s) Donna Bell  
County Clerk  
Callahan County, Texas

## JOINT RESOLUTION

### A. JOINT RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the Eula ISD, desires to enter into a Joint Election Services Contract with the Callahan County Clerk for all future elections.

AND WHEREAS, the Eula ISD School Board gives authorization for said Contract.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE EULA ISD THAT:

Said Eula ISD School Board authorizes a Joint Contract by and among, Eula ISD and Donna Bell, County Clerk for Callahan County, Texas for the conduct and supervise early and election day voting.

PASSED AND APPROVED, THIS 11th DAY OF AUGUST, 2008.

(s) Donna Bell  
County Clerk  
Callahan County, Texas  
(s) Roger Corn  
County Judge

(s) Tim Kelley  
Eula ISD Superintendent

## Annual Woody Reunion

The 72nd annual Woody reunion was held on July 12th and 13th at the Cottonwood Community Center. There was a lot of visiting, games, food and fun. On Saturday, we had a slide show of old family pictures which was well attended and enjoyed. More will be shown each year until our grandkids are showing our pictures. We also had a game of Deal or No Deal which was hilarious and lots of fun. The girls and suitcases were drawn by Kendra, the daughter of Billy & Lorrie Woody. We had groups playing dominoes, cards, looking at family photos, visiting, eating and more eating. On Sunday, we had a large attendance for the annual family meal and meeting as well as the auction. The auctioneer was our very own Jim Willis and he did a wonderful job and kept us laughing and bidding against ourselves some-

times! Next year we hope to be auctioning off pictures of our ancestors, laser etched in to granite. Randy & Geneva (Woody) Johnson will be creating these wonderful items if you want to suggest any to them.

As usual, there were lots of folks who drove long distances and we appreciate their commitment to keep the family together. A couple of families were already talking about getting more of their siblings to come next year. Of course, the local family members were in attendance and enjoyed visiting with everyone there. We had several visitors and welcomed them, also.

Please remember the Woody Family Reunion is always the second weekend in July and will be at the Cottonwood Community Center for some time to come. We encourage everyone to make plans now and come have some fun!

## Rolling Oaks Golf News

Thursday, August 7th, eight 2-man teams teed off. Corey Morris and Chaz Odom won with a 5 under; second place went to Dave Evans; and Michael Doremus with 5 under; while third went to Kobey Morris and Terry Odom; and fourth to David Scroggins and Bruce Rivers. One #14 the closest to the pin went to Terry Odom and on #16 it went to Brice Bowden.

Saturday, August 9, saw 28 players tee off in the ABCD Scramble. Dave Evans' team of Dave, Kobey Morris, Mark Wilson, Bob Carter, Kaleb Harmon and Ryan Konig won with 13 under. Corey Morris' team and Sherri Bowden's team tied for second with 11 under. Closest to the pin on #2 went to Dave Evans, on #6 to Sherri Bowden, #14 to David Scroggins and #16 to Mike Konig.

Tuesday, August 12th, 28 players teed off in the ABCD Scramble. Closest to the pin on #14 went to Beverly Smith and on #16 it went to Ky McDorman. The scramble was won by Terry Odom's team with a 9 under and consisted of Terry, his son Chaz, Paula Cole, Beverly Smith, Byron Tolbert and Chris Yancey. This ties the club record for a nine hole scramble with David Evan's team of Dave, Paula Cole, Bryan Rivers, Zack Childers and Robert Zamora, set on May 6, 2008. Congratulations!

Saturday, August 16th the course will be closed until 1:30 p.m. 3M Co. is having a tournament and expecting a large turnout. All our carts are reserved for the tournament. They expect to be through by 1:30 p.m. We apologize for any inconvenience this may cause.

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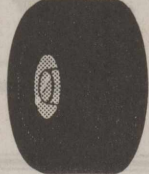
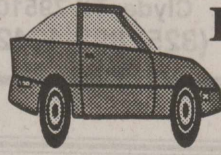
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Armed with an abundance of unpretentious Southern charm and laser sharp wit, Platinum video-selling comedienne **Chonda Pierce** has been entertaining audiences from coast to coast for more than a decade. An in demand stand up comic, television hostess and best-selling author, Chonda's "Circle of Laughs" tour hits Abilene September 5 at 7:00 p.m. at Southern Hills Church of Christ Auditorium, 3666 Buffalo Gap Road.

Touring with Chonda are Leland Klassen, Canada's

premier clean comedian. He has performed for Promise Keepers Canada and has his own episode of the US syndicated comedy series "Bananas" and has two of his own television series on the West Coast.

Zan, who is originally from Indiana, got her start in Sarasota, Florida and hold an MFA in Theatre from the University of California, San Diego. Her style of comedy has earned her placement in several films and has taken her to such well-known comedy clubs as Bonkerz,

Coconuts, Comedy Zone, Crakers, Improv and more. Zan also has been a featured emcee at the Women's Final Four Championship in 2008.

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## Cross Plains' 2008 retail sales are running 1.73% behind 2007

The City of Cross Plains' one percent city sales tax payments in 2008 are running just under two percent behind 2007 sales tax payments, according to the Texas State Comptroller's office.

Texas State Comptroller Susan Combs reported the city's sales tax payment on Friday, August 8th.

Cross Plains' 2008 sales tax payments for the year totalled \$119,123.64, which is 1.73 percent lower than the \$121,228.83 in sales tax rebate payments collected in 2007.

The payment to the city for August 2008 was \$16,859.72, which is 1.42 percent higher than the \$16,622.85 payment made in August 2007.

Texas Comptroller Susan Combs today, Friday, August 8th, said the state collected \$1.8 billion in sales tax revenue in July, up 10.4 percent compared to one year ago.

"Through July, fiscal 2008 state sales tax collections are up 6.5 percent," Combs said. "The Texas economy remains strong; however, we continue to monitor the slower growth seen nationally."

Combs sent \$583.4 million in August sales tax allocations to local governments, up 9.2 percent compared to August 2007. So far this calendar year, sales tax allocations to local governments are up 6.3 percent compared to this time last year.

Combs sent sales tax payments of \$393.1 million to Texas cities, up 8 percent compared to last August. Calendar year-to-date, city sales tax revenues surpass 2007 by 5.4 percent. Sales tax payments of \$35.3 million went to Texas counties, 13.9 percent higher than last August. So far in calendar year 2008, county sales tax allocations are up 7.3 percent compared to last year.

In addition, \$21.3 million in sales tax revenue went to 135 special purpose taxing districts, 21.5 percent more than in August 2007. Ten local transit systems received \$133.5 million, up 9.9 percent compared to a year ago.

July state sales tax revenue and August allocations to local governments represent sales taxes collected in June by businesses that report sales taxes monthly, and sales taxes collected in April, May and June by quarterly filers.

For details of August sales tax payments to individual cities, counties, transit systems and special purpose districts, locate the Monthly Sales and Use Tax Allocation Comparison Sum-

### CROSS PLAINS SALES TAX PAYMENTS

	2007	2008
Total yearly sales tax payments	\$121,228.83	\$119,123.64
Total monthly sales tax payments	\$16,622.85	\$16,859.72

mary Reports on the Comptroller's Web site at [www.window.state.tx.us/taxinfo/allocsum/compsum.html](http://www.window.state.tx.us/taxinfo/allocsum/compsum.html).

The Comptroller's next sales tax allocation will be made on Friday, Sept. 12th.

Other Callahan County towns reporting sales tax payments include:

—The City of Baird reported that sales tax payments in 2008 started the year 5.18 percent higher than the 2007 payments. The city has received \$69,874.33 in 2008, while the 2007 tax payments to the city totalled \$66,429.45.

Baird's monthly payment for August 2008 was \$10,100.23, which is 2.76 percent higher than the \$9,828.17 payment made in August 2007.

—The 2008 sales tax payments in the City of Clyde are 4.24 percent higher than the payments made to the city in 2007. The sales tax rebates for the City of Clyde have amounted to \$318,234.91 in 2008. The 2007 payments to the city during the same payment period were \$305,270.67.

The City of Clyde's monthly payment for August 2008 was \$46,171.26, which was 5.58 percent lower than the \$48,902.10 payment made in August 2007.

—The City of Putnam reported the 2008 payments to the town totalled \$10,065.67, up 7.75 percent from the 2007 payments to the city in the amount of \$9,341.57.

Putnam's tax payment for the month of August 2008 was \$1,373.80, which was 11.54 percent higher than the \$1,231.66 payment made in August 2007.

Countywide, sales tax payments for 2008 in Callahan County are up 2.99 percent ahead of the 2007 payments in the county. Callahan County towns received sales tax pay-

ments in 2008 amounting to \$517,298.55 while the 2007 payments to the county towns totalled \$502,270.53.

The tax rebate in Callahan County for the month of August 2008 was \$74,505.01, which is 2.71 percent lower than the \$76,584.78 sales tax payments made in August 2007.

Merchants collect the state and local sales tax and send it to the Comptroller's office with their tax returns. The state keeps its 6 1/4% share and returns the local one percent sales tax each month to the local governments. Cities and counties may levy a combined tax of up to two percent above the state's sales tax.

Clyde businesses collect 2.00% including one percent for the City of Clyde, one-half of one percent for the Clyde Economic Development Corporation and one half of one percent to reduce property taxes (Proceeds to benefit the Clyde Volunteer Fire Department.)

Cross Plains collects 1.75% in local sales taxes, of which 1.00 percent is allocated to the city and 0.75% is allocated for economic development in the town.

Baird collects 1.50% in local sales tax of which 1.00% is allocated to the city and 0.50% allocated to the community's economic development corporation.

Putnam collects 1.00% in local sales tax of which all 1.00 percent is allocated to the city. All local sales taxes must be approved by local voters and may be used for any legal city or county expenses. Most areas put the money in their General Fund and use it for normal operations like fire fighting, maintaining roads and law enforcement, the Comptroller said. Some cities use up to an additional one percent city sales tax to help fund local economic development and to reduce property taxes.

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### Callahan County DPS Report

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**Cases Investigated**  
Warnings—166  
Complaints—86  
DWI—2  
Fugitive Arrest-Theft by Check—1  
Fugitive Arrest-VOP (Violation of Parole) on DWI—1  
Failure to Identify—1  
Vehicle Accidents

There were five vehicle accidents investigated during this time span.

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- Set air-conditioning thermostats to the highest possible comfortable setting and dress accordingly.
- Turn off every appliance you are not using including lights, televisions and radios. Use the "sleep" feature on your computer equipment.
- Only cool rooms that you use. Close vents and doors in unused rooms. Be sure to close closet doors.
- Check your air-conditioning filter every month and replace as needed.
- Keep windows that let the sun in covered when the sun is shining on them.
- Weather strip and caulk around windows and doors to prevent drafts.
- Close your fireplace damper when the fireplace is not being used.
- Use fans to help circulate the air in your house.
- Air-dry dishes in the dishwasher.
- Lower the temperature on your hot water heater to warm during the summer, take short showers and wash only full loads of clothes in the laundry.

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## Continuing to Stand Up for Lower Energy Costs and America's Energy Security

By Congressman Randy Neugebauer

This past week, I was in Washington D.C. to speak directly to the taxpayers from the House floor. More than 100 of my Republican colleagues and I stand united in asking Speaker Pelosi to call Congress back in session and hold a vote on the American Energy Act.

I spent the majority of both Tuesday and Thursday on the floor with my colleagues sending a message that neither my colleagues nor I will give up until the Speaker recognizes the urgent need to address the rising costs of energy. It was an honor to speak directly to our constituents on the House Floor Tuesday and Thursday, and also to offer the daily prayer Tuesday. While the speaker has shut congress down, we will not bend or break and will continue to operate as if the House were in session. This is the Peoples' House, and we are listening. Unfortunately, many of my colleagues from the other side of the aisle are not.

The consequences of inaction affect our national security and local security and also American's ability to pay for gasoline, food and utilities. Until we produce more American energy, we are beholden to those that supply it to us, many of whom are hostile

and may not have America's best interest in mind.

It is time we say YES to American energy independence. We send more than \$700 billion each year to foreign countries for energy. Imagine the job creation and the energy we could produce here at home if that money was invested in the United States. Yes, we can drill in Alaska and the outer continental shelf. Yes, we can build new refineries and nuclear power plants. Yes, we can use our 300-year supply of coal for clean coal liquefaction technology, and we must put as much emphasis on renewable and alternative energy as we do on traditional sources of energy. And yes, we can do it all in an environmentally sensitive way.

I have heard far too many stories of folks in the 19th District that are truly suffering from the rising cost of energy and Congress should be working in a bipartisan manner to produce the results for a comprehensive energy plan that will reduce the burden on the American people and ensure our economic and national security.

As I travel throughout the 19th District meeting with many of you, I will continue to urge the Speaker to call the House of Representatives back into session to have a simple up-or-down vote, and I strongly urge you to do the same.

Store	City	1998-99	1999-2000	2000-2001	2001-2002	2002-2003	2003-2004	2004-2005	2005-2006	2006-2007
Thrifty's Food Mart	Clyde	\$335,031	\$361,899	\$381,224	\$410,365	\$324,483	\$427,715	\$521,417	\$588,286	\$461,933
Howle's Kountry Store	Clyde	\$307,374	\$377,164	\$373,074	\$457,791	\$453,161	\$525,538	\$513,310	\$578,086	\$428,432
7-Eleven	Cross Plains	\$190,286	\$217,719	\$179,959	\$209,722	\$290,212	\$266,799	\$453,244	\$349,553	\$292,091
7-Eleven	Clyde	\$157,716	\$177,940	\$228,292	\$271,216	\$281,406	\$361,812	\$233,575	\$211,988	\$217,398
Wes-T-Go	Baird	\$145,364	\$155,479	\$150,265	\$174,967	\$157,377	\$182,826	\$252,922	\$241,107	\$191,274
Allsup's	Baird	\$138,693	\$127,090	\$134,671	\$172,737	\$168,687	\$173,285	\$172,729	\$179,091	\$152,479
Allsup's	Clyde	\$122,252	\$115,485	\$110,840	\$149,126	\$161,225	\$183,562	\$162,073	\$174,305	\$150,019
Anita Food Mart	Clyde	N/A	N/A	N/A	\$71,510	\$124,552	\$164,591	\$102,400	\$90,537	\$99,402
Lawrence Brothers	Clyde	\$97,730	\$96,713	\$98,910	\$80,433	\$69,837	\$94,668	\$67,708	\$78,393	\$72,789
Red Barn	Putnam	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	\$14,695	\$15,479	\$12,821	\$15,275	\$31,666
Butterman's Grill	Clyde	\$14,000	\$107,048	\$117,035	\$134,654	\$175,448	\$129,342	\$228,241	\$159,816	\$11,948
The Filling Station	Putnam	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	\$43,427	\$27,841	\$23,071	\$8,642	N/A
<b>Total Lottery Sales</b>	<b>Callahan</b>	<b>\$1,508,446</b>	<b>\$1,736,237</b>	<b>\$1,773,270</b>	<b>\$2,132,521</b>	<b>\$2,264,510</b>	<b>\$2,653,458</b>	<b>\$2,743,511</b>	<b>\$2,675,079</b>	<b>\$2,109,431</b>

## Callahan County lottery retailers see big drop in sales in 2007

With the price of gas well over the cost of a Texas lottery ticket, lottery sales in Callahan County fell over \$500,000, according to Texas Lottery officials.

Lottery sales in Callahan County totalled \$2,109,431 in the 2006-2007 fiscal year which ended in August 2007. That total was over \$500,000 lower than the \$2,675,079 reported in lottery sales in the 2005-2006 fiscal year. The \$2,109,431 in lottery sales during the 2007 fiscal year, was the lowest yearly total since 2001, when \$1,773,270

was sold throughout Callahan County.

Callahan County's highest-ever lottery sales fiscal year was in 2004-2005 when \$2,743,511 in lottery tickets were sold at the participating county retailers.

Thrifty's Food Mart, located in Clyde, was again the county's total selling retailer in the 2007 fiscal year with \$461,933 in total lottery sales. Thrifty's Food Mart has been Callahan County's top retailer in lottery sales for the past three years and five of the past nine years.

Howle's Kountry Store, also located in Clyde, was the number two retailer in Callahan County in the 2007 fiscal year with \$428,432 in total lottery ticket and scratch-off ticket games.

The 7-Eleven (formerly Skinny's) convenience store located in Cross Plains, was the number three retailer in the county with lottery sales of \$292,091 in 2007.

The 7-Eleven convenience store located in Clyde was the number four retailer with total

lottery sales of \$217,398 in 2007.

Rounding out the top five retailers in Callahan County was the Wes-T-Go convenience store in Baird with total lottery sales of \$191,274.

There were eleven lottery retailers in Callahan County in the 2007 fiscal year, one less than in 2006 when there were twelve lottery retailers.

Since being approved by the Texas voters, the Texas Lottery has been in operation since May 1992.

## REQUEST

Ms. Franke asked the council to consider closely giving the requested amount and commented that the operation of the center is very intricate and must be done properly. Ms. Dunn and Ms. Franke both thanked the council for their time and consideration.

Mary Alice Smith, Grantworks representative, met with the council to get the boards approval for two resolutions. One resolution is for the submission of a Texas Community Development Block Grant for the Planning and Capacity Building Fund to carry out the following planning elements: Water, Wastewater, Drainage, Streets, Capital Improvements Programs, Parks and Recreation, Economic Development, Zoning and Subdivisions. The grant requested would be for \$36,250 with a matching amount of \$1,813. The next resolution would be for the submission of a Texas Community Development Block Grant for the Community Development Fund. This grant would be to carry out sewer system improvements for the City of Cross Plains. Jerry Cassle moved to pass both resolutions, Audrey Purvis seconded and the motion carried.

Era Lee Hanke met with the Council on behalf of the Cross Plains Economic Development Corporation and asked the council to consider an amendment to the ED's By-Laws that would allow members of the Cross Plains community who lived outside Callahan County, but within ten miles of the Callahan

County Line to be able to serve on the board council. Bob Kirkham moved to accept the amendment, Audrey Purvis seconded, and the motion carried.

Discussion was held concerning the comp time for both Don Gosnell and Chris Bisbee. The council moved, seconded and carried the motion to pay for 100 comp hours for each officer.

Chris Bisbee showed the council a new mobile radio he had located that allows him to receive a better reception in more areas of the city. He advised the council that the cost of the radio is \$640, and it comes with an earpiece that would make it easier and safer to use while driving.

The council approved the purchase, as it is already in the budget for equipment and supplies. The council asked if he had purchased the bullet proof vest discussed previously. He indicated that he had not had the opportunity to be fitted for the vest, but would do so soon. Bisbee advised the council of an available grant that would reimburse the city for a significant amount of the cost of the vest.

Employees present were Debbie Gosnell, Don Gosnell and Chris Bisbee. Members of the public included Era Lee Hanke, Gene Dillard, Mary Alice Smith, Katy Dunn, Julene Franke, Bob Pipes, Mert Swofford and Kim Lambert.

This meeting was a slim one, but there were some very important topics discussed, and we will be waiting eagerly for information on the outcomes.

## Attorney General Abbott Takes Action To Uphold "Moment Of Silence" Statute

Challenge to moment of silence law "turns the First Amendment on its head"

DALLAS - Texas Attorney General Greg Abbott defended the right of Texas schoolchildren to begin each school day with the Pledge of Allegiance followed by a minute of silence to "reflect, pray, [or] meditate" before class. In a brief filed Friday with the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit, Attorney General Abbott argued that Texas' moment of silence statute is entirely constitutional. In January, a federal district judge rejected a North Texas couple's challenge to the law. Solicitor General James Ho will appear before the appeals court on behalf of the state.

"The United States Constitution plainly protects young Texans' right to observe a moment of silence before school each morning," Attorney General Abbott said. "In an age where children are bombarded with distractions, beginning each school day with a moment of silence offers a welcome moment of thoughtful contemplation. The state of Texas will work diligently to defend the law and uphold the district court's decision, which ruled that Texas' moment of silence statute is entirely constitutional."

The case, David Wallace Croft and Shannon Kristine Croft v. Governor of the State of Texas, Rick Perry, was appealed by the plaintiffs after

Judge Barbara Lynn ruled against the couple. The Crofts' children are students in the Carrollton-Farmers Branch Independent School District. On Friday, the court granted Attorney General Abbott's motion to dismiss the school district from the appeal.

In 2003, the Texas Legislature revised the moment of silence law, providing for the recitation of the pledge before the minute of silence and making clear that students may "pray" during this time. Legislators also amended the law to allow "any other silent activity that is not likely to interfere with or distract another student."

Under Texas law, the minute of silence immediately follows the Pledge of Allegiance. As the state's brief notes, "by providing a patriotic and contemplative context for the minute of silence, Senate Bill 83 plainly serves secular rather than religious purposes." The state also asserts, "the purpose of these exercises is plain - to foster patriotism and provide an opportunity for students to engage in thoughtful contemplation."

Solicitor General Ho added: "The plaintiffs' argument turns the First Amendment on its head. Their reasoning would condemn any law that prevents discrimination against religion by expressly protecting the right of students to "pray" - including numerous federal and state laws that protect students against religious hostility."

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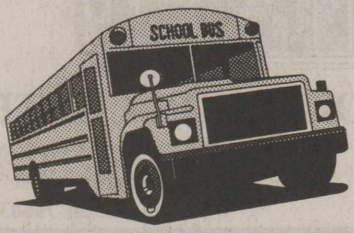
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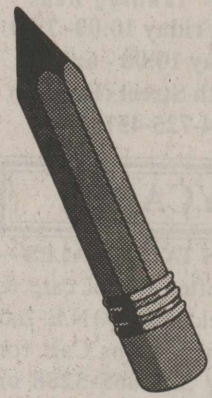
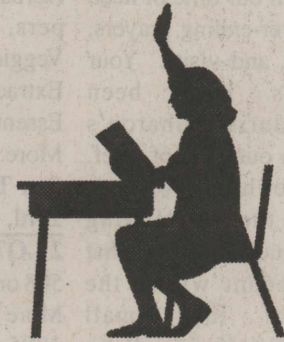
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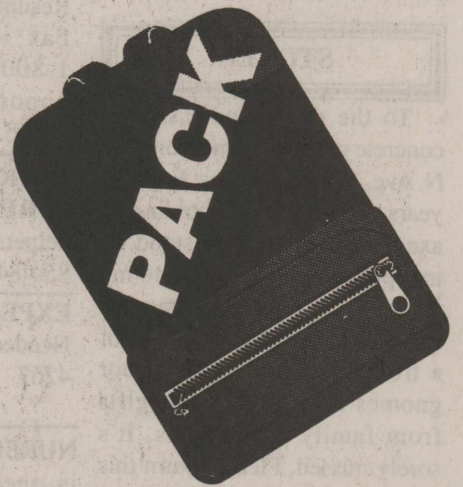
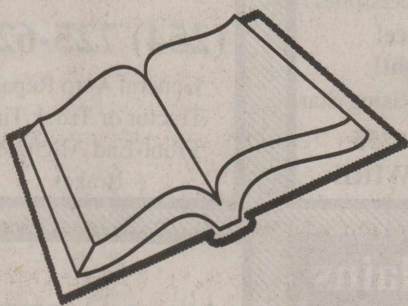
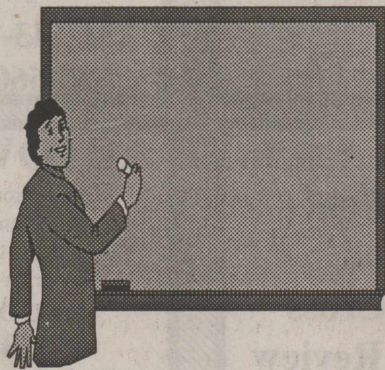
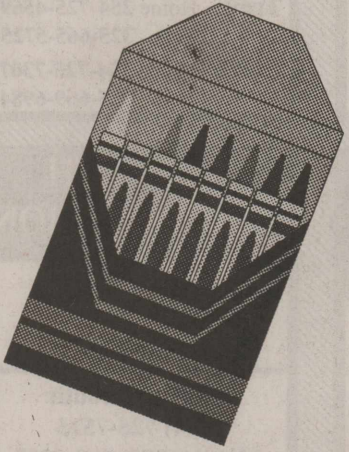
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**AT FUN SHOOT**—Callahan County 4-Hers participating in the annual Rifle and Pistol Fun Shoot held earlier this summer include from left to right: Dr. Monty Ancinec, Jerry Don Black, Larry McIntire, Clay Doss, Will White, Peyton McIntire, Ty Rhoads, Brandon Black, Preston Clark, Barrett Ancinec, Katelynn Mitchell,

Hayley Ancinec, Cody Cedergren, Bill Cedergren, Charlie Greenway, Jeff Clark, and Gober Mitchell. Also participating at the Fun Shoot but not pictured were: Kailey Hart, Landon Hart, Alicia Black, Kinna Black, Haley Doss, Emalie Green, and Kelbi Hyles.

## Callahan County 4-H hosts annual Fun Shoot with over 125 in attendance

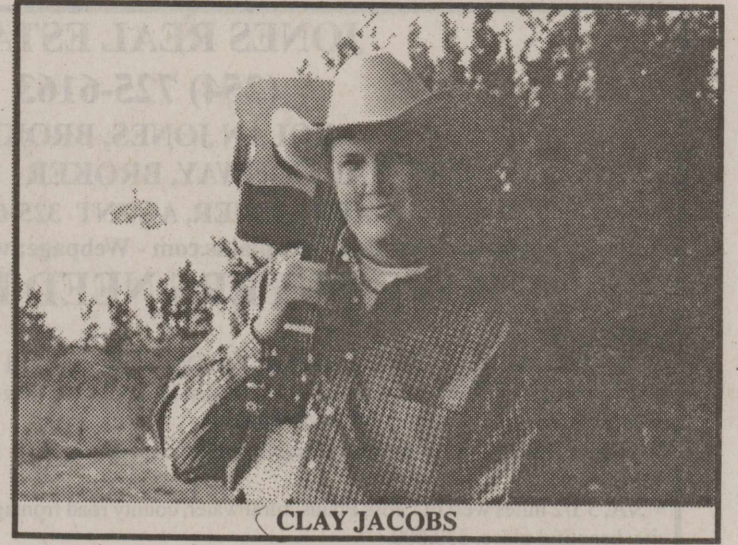
Callahan County 4-H Shooting Sports hosted the annual Fun Shoot earlier in the summer at the Callahan County Shooting Range off FM 18 between Clyde and Baird. 4-Hers from all corners of the state competed in

the shoot. Over 125 Shotgun, Archery, Rifle and Pistol shooters participated. The weather was perfect and the range was in good condition.

The Annual Dove Warm-Up competition is this Saturday,

August 23rd beginning at 9:00 a.m. For more information, call Kevin Meier at 672-9521 at Longacre's Gun Shop or call Kevin's cell number at 665-7810. Also, just a reminder about the

upcoming Turkey Soot on Saturday, October 18th. Come shoot with us. We are proud of our facilities and range and think you will have lots of fun. See you soon.



CLAY JACOBS

## Clay Jacobs to be at Cross Plains Cowboy Church August 24th

Clay Jacobs will be at the Cross Plains Cowboy Church on August 24th, 2008. We will also be having a pot luck dinner after church. Please come and be with us and listen to

some country gospel music and preaching. Services will start at 10:30 a.m.

If you have any questions feel free to call 254-725-6446 or 325-518-5514.

## Baird High School Project Graduation Golf Scramble Set for Saturday, August 30

Baird High School Project Graduation is hosting its first annual golf tournament on Saturday, August 30th, at Shady Oaks Golf Course. The nine hole scramble will begin at 4:00 p.m. All ages are encouraged to play. Entry fees include the cost of the green fee, cart and hamburger supper. Prizes will be awarded to the first, second and third place teams. There will be a "Split the pot" contest on hole number 8. Fifty dollar cash prizes will be awarded to the individual who is closest to the pin on hole #2 and the individual who has the longest drive on hole #9.

Cost to play is \$30 per person or \$120 for a team of four.

Entry forms are available at Shady Oaks Golf Course or by contacting Catherine Brock. The number of teams is limited so make your reservations early. The deadline to enter is August 22, 2008.

Project Graduation is seeking additional businesses to sponsor a hole. Cost to sponsor a hole is \$50. For additional information or to request an entry form, contact Telitha Neal at 513-1537 or Catherine Brock at 854-2053. All proceeds from the fund-raiser will go to provide a drug and alcohol free celebration for the Baird High School Class of 2009 following their graduation.

Submitted by: Catherine Brock

## HAPPY BIRTHDAY



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## Local Americans sought to help international students

Pacific Intercultural Exchange (P.I.E.), a non-profit organization, is looking for local area representatives to match foreign-exchange students with host families in their own communities.

P.I.E. volunteer area representatives match students with host families by finding common interests and lifestyles through an informal in-home meeting. Prospective host families can review student applications and select the perfect match. The representative will help enroll the students in a local school and maintain regular contact with the student, host family and national program.

"The exchange program focuses on breaking down misconceptions between cultures through the medium of international exchange," says Elvia Meza, Director of Operations for P.I.E. American teenagers can also study abroad through Pacific Intercultural Exchange.

The international students are between the ages of 15 and 18 years and come from countries such as Iraq, South Korea, Germany, Russia, Thailand, Brazil, Mexico, Pakistan, and many others. They bring their own spending money and speak English well enough to attend public high schools. Medical and accident coverage are provided through P.I.E. Host families only need provide a caring environment, room and daily meals.

As there are no "typical" host families, P.I.E. can fit a student into just about any situation, whether it is a single parent, a childless couple, a retired couple or a large family. Families who host for P.I.E. are not paid, but open their homes in order to experience other cultures and share experiences with students

from far-away lands.

The deadline to match students with families is Aug. 31 and families can select an international student based on hobbies and interests as well as gender. Family screening includes a background check, an in-home interview, and a verification of personal references.

High school classes will start soon and interested parties must apply immediately.

Area Representatives are volunteers, but receive certain cash rewards and incentives throughout the school year. Families who host P.I.E. students are eligible to claim a \$50 charitable contribution deduction on their itemized tax returns for each month they host a student. For information, contact Pacific Intercultural Exchange at 1-888-743-8721 or visit their website at [www.pieusa.org](http://www.pieusa.org).

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