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Cross Plains Review

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THURSDAY, July 16, 2009 TOKES TO



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100th YEAR

CROSS PLAINS, CALLAHAN COUNTY, TEXAS 76443

NUMBER 18

Two arsonists sentenced to 15 year prison terms

after in Eastland County. Six fire crime. "15 years is a long sendepartment for starting the Eastland County fires. During quesstarting the Callahan County fires Eastland and Callahan Counas well.

Brian Freeman, Michael Thomas, and Christina Utley were Court, Tommie Tyson was senindicted by a Callahan County tenced to prison on two aggra-Grand Jury on May 13, 2009 vated assault cases. Tyson reand charged with arson, a sec- ceived 5 years confinement for ond degree felony. The trio admitted to driving around the May 30, 2009 and received a 15 countryside between Putnam year sentence for an assault from and Cross Plains and on the 2008. The two cases will run back roads heading towards concurrently, and Tyson will Eastland County during which have to serve at least seven and time they started the fires. No one-half years flat time before particular motive was given for he is eligible for parole. Accordstarting the fires. The three were ing to Deel, defendants conall under the influence of alco- victed of violent crimes such as

On July 9, 2009 Freeman and percent of their time.

On March 22, 2009, three grass Thomas appeared before the fires were ignited in Callahan 42nd District Court in Baird. Each County between Putnam and of the men entered a guilty plea Cross Plains. Other suspicious on the case and received a 15 fires were started shortly there- year prison sentence for the departments responded to the tence which I believe reflects the Callahan County blazes. Two potential disaster which could men and a woman were arrested have occurred as a result of the later that day by the Cisco police defendants' reckless and dangerous behavior," said Callahan County Attorney Shane Deel. tioning, the group confessed to Utley is still pending trial in both

> Also on July 9th in District an assault which occurred on these usually serve about 90

Vacation Bible

School at "The Methodist Beach"

will be waiting at the middle door unforgiving servant. to welcome kiddoes who have Lifeguard officially start the day beach". with a skit about surfing the Scriptures and learning about contact Arlene at 725-4993 or forgiveness.

Surfers will rotate through the

This Saturday, July 18th, is the day of Bible Story time, music, beach party VBS at the First crafts, the science lab and United Methodist Church on recreation, all designed to North Main Street. The flamingos reinforce the story of the

Snacks and lunch will be completed Pre-K or Kindergarten provided and there is no charge up through grade six when for the day. Parents are registration begins at 9:00. The encouraged to attend the closing Fellowship Hall will be buzzing program at 3:00 in the with a variety of fun activities Fellowship Hall and to visit the before a talking beach ball, a activity areas as their children homeless person and Lucky the take them on a tour of "the

> For more information, please Jean at 725-7455.

Cross Cut Reunion Sunday, July 19th

The Annual Cross Cut Reunion will be held Sunday, July 19, at the Cross Plains Community Center. All Alumni, Cross Cut residents, friends and family are invited to attend, as we enjoy a delicious covered dish luncheon followed by a silent auction and a brief Cross Cut Cemetery Association annual business meeting.

Lunch is at noon but the door will open at 9:00 a.m. for those wanting to drop off their covered dishes and/or items for the silent

Please call Keeka Byrd 254-725-6836 for more information or to be placed on the

Helping Hearts and Hands Need **Applicants**

Is your home in need of minor repairs: painting, plumbing, insulations and caulking?

The Cross Plains Area Housing Initiative would like to extend a hand to assist you with the help you might need. Free assistance is available to homeowners who are elderly, handicapped and/or low income.

Applications are available now at the Senior Citizens' Center, Texas Heritage Bank and City

The application deadline will be the end of September and if you need any assistance filling out the application, please call Pat Stephens 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

We are excited and are looking forward to this year's endeavor. If you have any questions or would like information, please contact Roxie Thomas 254-725-6141 or Pat Stephens 254-725-6819.

Automobile Accident Claims Cross Plains Woman's Life

By Vanda Anderson Editor

A one-vehicle accident claimed the life of Brenda (Blough) Nelson, age 51, of Cross Plains, Saturday, July 11th, around 11

She was traveling north on south of Cross Plains (curve near Harold Garrett's house) when her

on Nelson's body.

Safety Trooper Eric Pechacek the information for this article. investigated the accident, assisted by Trooper Lance Parker, both of 2:00 p.m. Thursday, July 16, Baird. Trooper Pechacek was 2009, at the Higginbotham Highway 279 about two miles unavailable for details prior to Chapel in Cross Plains with Matt press time.

Justice of the Peace Burlie be at a later date.

car left the highway and cruised Taylor of Cross Plains was called 75 yards before coming to a stop. to the accident to pronounce the The vehicle landed upside down victim's death. He noted that the body was sent for an autopsy. He Department of Public was gracious enough to supply

Funeral services will be held at McGowen officiating. Burial will

Burn Ban reinstated

The Callahan County Commis- could allow flames or sparks Callahan County. It was not incountywide outdoor burn ban orders such activities by others. effective immediately

The commissioners' court took the action Monday, July 13th during the commissioners' court meeting held at the County Courthouse in Baird.

Commissioner Bryan Farmer made a motion to reinstate the County Burn Ban. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Harold Hicks which then carried with a 4-0 vote.

The county outdoor burn ban information follows:

The Burn Ban order follows:

CALLAHAN COUNTY, **TEXAS ORDER** PROHIBITING OUTDOOR BURNING

WHEREAS, in accordance with Section 240.906 of the Local han County Commissioners Court had found that dry conditions in the unincorporated areas of Callahan County create a public safety hazard that would be exacerbated by outdoor burning; and, whereas, such a finding authorizes the issuance of an order which prohibits or restricts outdoor burning.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDERED that the following regulations are hereby established for all unincorporated areas of Callahan County, Texas. (1) Action prohibited:

A. A person violates this order if he or she knowingly, intentionally or recklessly burns any combustible material outside of an enclosure which serves to contain all flames and/or sparks, or orders such burning by oth-

B. A person violates this order if he or she knowingly, intentionally or recklessly engages in any activity outdoors which

(2) Enforcement: A. A violation of this order is a

Class C Misdemeanor. B. This order may be enforced by any duly commissioned peace officer in Callahan County (3) This order is effective and

enforceable for 90 days after the date of adoption which is indicated below

(4) This order does not apply to outdoor burning activities related to public health and safety that are authorized by the Texas Natural Resources Conservation Commission for firefighter training; public utility, natural gas pipeline, or mining operations, ment if the conditions are windy.

(5) Further, a person is not in Government Code, the Calla- obtains the permission of the An individual, or individuals, appropriate volunteer Fire Chief. In this instance the Fire Chief will fire occurs. If there is a fatality, have the authority to set the one could face possible felony conditions, restrictions, and/or precautions which must be ob-

> (6) See Attachment A for welding precautions and Attachment B for grilling precautions.

> ORDERED by the Callahan County Commissioners Court on the 13th day of July, 2009, and executed on the same date.

> > County Judge

Attest: (s) Donna Bell, County Clerk

ATTACHMENT A

Due to high fire danger and dry foliage these restrictions were put in place for the protection of the Citizens and their property in charges

sioners voted to reinstate the that could result in a fire, or tended to take away a person's livelihood.

> WELDING WILL BE PERMIT-TED IF THE PROPER PRECAU-TIONS ARE BEING TAKEN.

> 1. The individual welding must have a spotter. 2. Two wet fire extinguishers

must be available. 3. Must have sufficient supply

of water on hand at all times. 4. Must have water sprayer

available for use. 5. Must wet down sufficient area (and re-wet as often as

necessary). These safety precautions must be taken and also, please use common sense and good judge-

or, harvesting of agriculture If the job is not an emergency put it off until another date. Violators will be charged with a violation if prior to the setting of Class C Misderneanor, punishany outdoor fire, he or she first able by a fine of up to \$500.00.

could be liable for damages, if

ATTACHMENT B

Due to high fire danger and dry foliage these restrictions were put in place for the protection of the Citizens and their property in Callahan County.

OUTDOOR GRILLING WILL BE PERMITTED IF THESE PRE-CAUTIONS ARE TAKEN.

1. Individuals grilling must at-

(s) Roger Corn tend the grill at all times. 2. Must have sufficient supply of water on hand at all times.

3. Cooking must be done in an enclosed cooker. Violators will be charged with a Class C Misdemeanor, punish-

able by a fine of up to \$500.00. An individual, or individuals, could be liable for damages, if fire occurs. If there is a fatality, one could face possible felony





REMEMBER: C.P.H.S.

2009 Homecoming September 19

Makes plans to: attend!!!!



Vehicle Registration Office Closed July 12-17

Need vehicle registration or title work during this time, go to the Courthouse in Baird Courthouse Hours 8:00 a.m. -12 1:00p.m. - 4:30 p.m.



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CHURCH DIRECTORY

CORNERSTONE BIBLE CHURCH

832 Ave. E Cross Plains, TX Sunday Morning Bible Study ... 10:00 AM Pastor: Morning Worship......11:00 AM Walter Pope Evening Worhsip.....6:00 PM Wednesday Night Bible Study...6:00 PM

Our Church Is A House Of Prayer

UNITED PENTECOSTAL CHURCH

209 S.W. Hwy 36

CROSS PLAINS, TX

Welcomes You!

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

"An Apostolic Church" PASTOR, Phillip R. Schaefer (254) 725-7140

COTTONWOOD BAPTIST CHURCH

Sunday School Morning Worship.......11:00 AM6:00 PM Evening Service.... Wednesday Bible Study & Prayer Time......7:00 PM

Matt McGowen, Pastor (254) 725-4599 Church (254) 725-6266 Friendly Church

Bible Teaching

Brushy Creek Cowboy Church

112 W. Travis in Putnam

Pastor: Sam Stone

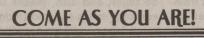
Sunday Morning Worship......10:30 AM Wednesday Worship.....

CROSS PLAINS COWBOY CHURCH

Join Us On Sunday at 10:30 a.m. Wednesday nights at 7:00 p.m. 16075 CR 459 Cross Plains, Texas

Pastor: LEN SMITH For Information

Call 254-725-6446 or 325-518-5514





Triple Cross Cowboy Church

Every Sunday at 10:30 am Services held at 21272 State Hwy 279, Cross Plains (CJS Ranch, on the left just past the 279/206 split)



Al Taylor, Preacher

Phone: 254-725-7522 Cell Phone: 325-370-6680

Pioneer Baptist Church

Pastor: **Rufus Wilson** 254-725-4589

Sunday School....10:00 am Sunday Morning Worship....11:00 am Sunday Evening Worship....6:00 p.m. Wednesday Prayer Service....7:00 p.m.

Music Director: Barbara Jo Medley 254-725-4589

Living Water Ministries Fellowship

Restoring And Equipping The Saints

Sunday....10:00 am Wednesday....7:00 pm

Pastor Max Evans

For Information Call (254) 725-7418

Rowden Baptist Church

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

WE INVITE YOU TO WORSHIP WITH THE

First United Methodist Church Rev. Harris Worcester

Sunday School 9:30AM Sunday Morning Worship 10:45AM

1000 North Main Street • Church office: 254-725-7377

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Arvil Claudell Joy

Arvil Claudell Joy, 79, died Wednesday, July 8, 2009, at a Abilene hospital. Services were held Sunday, July 12, 2009, at 3:00 p.m. in the Cottonwood Baptist Church.

Claudell was born July 19, 1929, in Cottonwood to Claude Joy and Ruth Kaiser Joy and lived in Callahan County all his life. He was a U.S. Army veteran who served in Korean Conflict. He owned and operated the Joy Packing Plant in Clyde for many years. Mr. Joy had resided in Cross Plains for the past ten

He was preceded in death by his

Survivors include a daughter, Diane Green; two sons, Jimmy Joy and wife Beckey of Cottonwood and Jackie Joy and wife Sue of Electra; a sister Jeanelle Purvis and husband Richard of Abilene; six grandchildren and great-grandchild.

Brenda Blough Nelson

Brenda Blough Nelson, age 51, of Cross Plains, died in a one car accident on Saturday, July 11, 2009, outside of Cross Plains. Funeral services will be held Thursday, July 16, 2009, at the Higginbotham Chapel in Cross Plains with Matt McGowen officiating. Burial will be at a later

Brenda was born December 12, 1957 in Abilene to Robert William and Elsie J. (Brown)

She is survived by a son, Brendan Maxwell Connell of Benton, Louisiana; two daughters, Amanda Neel of Cross Plains and Dani Guerrero of Abilene; three sisters, Betty Richardson, Bobby Lang and Leslie Gardner, all of Abilene; and two grandchildren, Devin and Faith Harper.

She was preceded in death by her parents.

Death Notice of N.L. Long, Jr. of Brownwood

A celebration of the life of N.L. Long, Jr., age 80, of Brownwood, will be held at 10:00AM, Saturday, July 18, 2009 in the Davis-Morris Funeral Home Chapel. Private interment will follow. The family will receive friends at the funeral home on Friday evening from 6:00 to 8:00.

Mr. Long died Tuesday, July 14, 2009 at his home.

Condolences, memories, and tributes can be left for the family at www.mem.com.

Additional 40,000 small businesses exempt from franchise tax Gov. Perry Signs Legislation to Cut Taxes for Texas Small Business Owners

AUSTIN - Gov. Rick Perry today signed House Bill (HB) 4765 which lowers the tax burden for more than 40,000 small businesses across the state. The bill more than triples the small business franchise tax exemption from \$300,000 to \$1 million. Revisiting the business franchise tax was a priority the governor laid out before the 81st Legislature in his State of the State address.

"As a result of this legislation, roughly 40,000 small businesses across Texas-will be able to hang onto more of their dollars and plow them back into their businesses in the form of new hires and new equipment," said Gov. Perry "There aren't many states that could extend a tax cut to small businesses in these tough economic times - I am proud that Texas has.'

"Thousands of businesses now know that because they won't have to pay franchise taxes for the next few years, they can instead spend that money bolstering their business operations which are essential components to maintaining our strong state economy," said Rep. Ren Oliveira, author of the

HB 4765 modifies the franchise tax legislation passed by lawmakers in 2006, which was determined to have a disproportionate impact on small businesses making between the original \$300,000 revenue cap and \$1 million per

"This legislation represents a significant tax reduction on small businesses and I'm glad these companies now have greater opportunity to hire workers instead of pay the government," said Sen. Dan Patrick, the Senate sponsor of

the bill. "I am honored Gov. Perry would travel to Houston to sign this bill. His leadership from day one in his State of the State address to today has been instrumental in this bill's passage, and I am excited that we can come together to cut taxes in this uncertain economic environment." By providing approximately

40,000 small businesses with a tax cut, Texas continues to be an attractive place to start or relocate a business, live and raise a family. Texas' low taxes, reasonable and predictable regulatory climate, fair tort system and a balanced budget with more than \$9 billion in the state's Rainy Day Fund all contribute the state's economic prosperity and competitive edge. Texas is home to more Fortune 500 companies than any other state and ranked as the number one exporting state in the nation for the seventh year in a row. The Lone Star State has been lauded as the top state for business by numerous publications and business executives and most recently was ranked The Best State for Business by Directorship Magazine, June/July 2009.

The governor was joined by Rep. Ren Oliveira and Sen. Dan Patrick at the signing ceremony. Talmadge Heflin, director of the Texas Public Policy Foundation's Center for Fiscal Policy, and Will Newton, executive director of the National Federation of Independent Business, also spoke at the event.

HB 4765 takes effect on Jan. 1, 2010. For more information about the 81st Legislative Session, please visit www.governor.state.tx.us or http://www.legis.state.tx.us/ Home.aspx.

Courthouse News

COUNTY COURTHOUSE Roger Corn, Presiding **Misdemeanor Filings**

Steven M. Ramos, theft by

Cody R. Gonzalez, driving while intoxicated (DWI).

Alfredo Delarosa, DWI. Stanley J. Callahan, DWI.

Misdemeanor Minutes Leellen Geneva Johnson, order amending conditions of probation granted.

Reynaldo Lopez Martinez, motion and affidavit of surety for warrant granted.

Julian Santoya, judgment revoking probation, sentenced to

Renea L. Trent, order portation, issuance of title. amending conditions of probation granted.

Christopher Nolan Yates, motion to withdraw as surety and application for warrant

Joshua Jon Koonce, motion to withdraw as surety and application for warrant granted.

Deborah S. Counts, motion to dismiss to DWI granted for plea to other cases. Alexander Hernandez, motion to dismiss to failure to

identify granted, defendant in prison. Barbara W. Ruddell, motion to dismiss to theft by check

trial intervention program. mise settlement agreement and

order granted. Pamala Laurence, motion to dismiss to theft by check granted in the interest of jus-

Lynne Russell, transfer request from Callahan Co. to Van Zandt Co. granted.

Marriage Licenses Caanan J. White of Baird arrest. and Dana L. Turnbull of

Anthony M. Rodriquez of Runaway Bay and Stacy D. Bailey of Fort Bragg, NC.

James G. Gilbert of Cisco and Jessica K. Cunningham of

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

Beverly Jean McCoy and John Doris McCoy, divorce. First National Bank of Colo-

rado City vs. Agatha M. King, default on note. Jeremy Lance Pfund and

Julie Ann Pfund, divorce. Bethany Clark and Billy Joe Moore, protective order.

Eric James Nichols and Regina Ann Nichols, divorce. Midland Funding LLC vs.

Billy J. Jaynes, default on note. State of Texas vs. Jamie Leah Berkley, motion to release defendant and set reasonable Nita May Hale and Robert

Lynn Hale, divorce.

Deborah Michelle Snyder to and Harley David Snyder, di- 16

Mary Grace Rutledge and Verlon Wayne McClanahan,

In the matter of Anthony Ray Elmore, expunction.

In Re: Yeriyah Levig Hawkins, an adult name of change.

Citibank (South Dakota) &

N.A. vs. Steve M. Nail, default li on account. Ex Parte: Burney Clay

Acton, petition for occupational driver's license.

Blake Fulenwider, CDJ vs. Texas Department of Trans-

Civil Minutes

Melissa Danielle Randall and Jeffrey Austin Randall, divorce granted.

J. B. Vaughan and Lucy J. Vaughan vs. Richard E. Pheasant and Sharon Pheasant, order denying plaintiff's motion for summary judgment and granting defendant's motion for summary judgment.

Bethany Clark and Billy Joe Moore, protective order

Lisa D. Lawrence and Ken Lawrence, divorce granted.

Pharia L.L.C. vs. Johnny R., Smoot, default judgment granted for completion of pre-

Shannadon Patricia Jenkins Sean A. Branham, compro- and Drew Lane Jenkins, divorce granted.

Criminal Indictment

Angela Steele, tampering with a governmental record.

Krisha N. Castillo, theft. Steven R. Murray, Ct. I = tampering with physical evidence, Ct. II - possession of a controlled substance.

Richard W. Price, evading

Jeffery W. Beene, aggravated robbery.

Lupe Cardenas, Jr., Ct. I -DWI, 3rd or more, Ct. II - DWI with child passenger.

Criminal Information &

Complaints Tommie N. Tyson, aggravated assault.

Andy Franklin, DWI, 3rd or

Criminal Minutes

End of term order discharging defendants under deferred adjudication: Angela Davis Steele; Kelly Don McLaughlin.

Victoria Abbate, plea of guilty to possession of a controlled substance, 3 year probation, \$800 fine, \$258 court costs, \$140 restitution.

Robert J. Feeley, motion to dismiss to possession of a controlled substance granted, insufficient evidence.

Barry McCarty, plea of guilty to DWI, 6 year probation, \$1000 fine, \$401 court

See Courthouse on Page 12

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First Presbyterian Church

Sunday Service 9:00 AM Music-Connie Swift & Betty Lewis Lead Singers: Rhonda Swift **Amanda Sowell Matt Sowell** Pastor Kathy Monroe

208 N. Ave. D 23-tfn

First Baptist Church

Sunday School 9:30 am

Sunday **Morning** Worship 10:45 am

Sunday **Evening Worship** 6:30 pm

Wednesday

6:30 pm Prayer/Worship Youth Bible Study 6:30 pm Children Choir 6:30 pm

Ronnie B. White, Pastor

(254) 725-7629 3rd & Main, Cross Plains, TX 76443

COTTONWOOD NEWS

WALLACE BENNETT

Claudell Joy Laid to Rest in **Cottonwood Cemetery**

Claudell Joy, longtime resident of Cottonwood and Cross Plains,

and many friends. He had been in new building is done." ill health the last few years and in

and out of the hospital. He will completed on Sunday when about be missed by all.

Cottonwood Roundup

and the father of Jimmy Joy of effort was completely successful, Cottonwood, and brother of according to Norma Farmer, Jeanell Purvis, of Abilene, was whose late husband Ken Farmer laid to rest in Cottonwood was a key spirit and inspiration Cemetery last Sunday afternoon. behind many of the Volunteer Fire Claudell was the son of Claude Control Units' efforts the past

The project actually was I don't know about it.)

ten people showed up to hang the doors and clean up. A photo will Last Saturday's barn raising appear in this column next week.

> Sorry this column is short this week. Carol and I and the whole Bennett clan were in Arlington Monday. She is doing well and we all appreciate your support.

(Please call Wallace Bennett for and Ruth Joy and is survived by two years. "Ken would be very any personal or local news items his son and wife, Jimmy and proud of the many people who about Cottonwood or people Beckey Joy; grandson, Nathan showed up last Saturday to get the living in this valley, call Joy; Mr. and Mrs. Richard Purvis job done," she said. "And we are 254-725-7474, e-mail address and their children; other relatives all proud the Fire Control Unit's csb555@dishmail.net. Please Donations: remember this, I can't print it, if

RISING STAR NURSING HOME

DONNA MCINTIRE

couple of residents went to some discussed but I do remember the winners and had to draw to things. The parade coming by was time with it. good and we had over 2/3 of our show!

residents enjoyed them and we bottles for money, trying to read have learned. I know sometimes both Allen and Patty for thinking where it was made, and when you do but we are so proud of each of us. The residents remembered could buy a Coke for 10 cents, etc. and every one of them. what it was to have a garden and the table talk continued. work in it. Back in their day they didn't always have water readily have had two residents who have and we will be reporting on that available and had to carry it. won the monthly award to hang in our next article. Sometime you Things we today take for granite. on their door. They are Hazel should stop by and see just what Thank you so much for sharing Campbell last month and Alma is going on and we do encourage with us.

birthday with chocolate on July hang the banner on their door for bless and keep you. 9th. We enjoyed the discussions

Well, things have been going about the part he played in Forrest the entire next month. pretty well here. We enjoyed July Gump among other things. I can't 4th and the parade was great. A remember all of the things we the staff. Last month we had 3 garage sales and bought some chocolate. Everyone had a great obtain just one winner. Paula

residents who were out there to Day with regular and diet Coke. one, It is a little harder since they watch. We would like to say a We had residents who stayed for have to do the framed border. huge thank you for the terrific the whole time and some who They really seem to enjoy came and went. Needless to say, playing. Mr. Allen Davis brought the Coke was a treat and the cucumbers to us from his garden. discussion was good. After going on and the ladies are doing What a treat that was. The talking about collecting Coke a good job applying what they would like to say thank you to the bottom of the bottle to see it seems like a thankless job they

Simpkins this month. The resident you to participate, too. We celebrated Tom Hank's with the most Black-outs get to

We are also playing Bingo with Regian won last time and we are On Friday, we enjoyed Coke still waiting on a winner for this

We still have our CNA classes

The residents are going to have Bingo has been going great. We a "Christmas in July" tomorrow

So, till next time, may God

serenaded us plus some of his

grandchildren had a few jokes to

tell. Speaking of jokes, you

was when Bobby Woody and I

and updated any and all family

information and family pictures

that were provided by attendees.

show Saturday due to a missing

s-cable, and once we did get the

cable there was just never any

time on Saturday or Sunday.

Gosh, on Sunday we went straight

meats, veggies, salads, and gosh,

I probably had enough anyway.

book about the first 100 years of

Potosi, Texas, where most of

courtesy of our very own Randy's

Granite Candles (.com)—the

8X10 granite plaque laser etched

with a 1912 picture of J.A. and

Mollie Woody, the great-great-

great-grandparents of the

youngest to attend, with everyone

Bobby and Billy Woody were

able to talk their dad and uncle,

Bobby Sr. and Ken Woody, in to

making the trip from Alabama

this year. Charlie brought his son,

Ray Woody from Arizona. Mary

and Mike Sanders made the long

trip from Mississippi. Yep, we had

family from far and wide, as well

as from just about every city in

Well, next year the reunion will

be on July 10th and 11th and I

hope everyone who came

this year will come again and

everyone who didn't make it, will

Submitted by

Rhonda Crawford

be able to attend next year.

else fitting in between.

We weren't able to do our slide

2009 Woody Family Reunion—Fun, Food and Fellowship Enjoyed

extremely well attended including many who had not been able to attend in years, and some who had never attended.

a pacemaker implant, but was singing old songs. If I remember able to be there for a little bit on correctly the "Boys" were Saturday before she got to feeling bad and needed to leave. She came with her youngest daughter, Denise Watts, who is helping with her recuperation.

Ethel Champion and brother-inlaw, Robert Champion, were well enough to attend, although Robert's blood pressure was really giving him a lot of problems.

Thaila Robertson was not doing very well, but thanks to the advice of a family member, she was able to get the medicine she needed quickly enough to play the

This year's reunion was part of Minnie Pearl in our own version of Hee Haw.

Speaking of our Hee Haw Show, many thanks to Carolyn Hee Haw and Jim Willis also West for putting it all together. We Sally (Casey) Whiteley just had had "The Woody Boys" on tape Anderson, Chuck, Allen, Floyd

> The Hee Haw "actors" were Bobby Woody, Jr., Billy and Lorrie Woody, Carolyn West, Thaila Robertson and her granddaughter, Hailey, age 4, who did a wonderful impression of Loretta Lynn. Her mom, Carrie Fritz, told me the next morning that she thinks Hailey's acting career has already gone to her head. Hailey kept telling her mom that "her people needed her."

Brothers Billy and Bobby Woody serenaded us with a



WE ARE PROUD TO SERVE OUR CROSS PLAINS, **COTTONWOOD & SCRANTON MEMBERS** WE ARE HERE TO MEET YOUR NEEDS Phone: 877-TEC-1939

BREAKTHRU

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



"COMPASSION"

\$50,000. This is all that OPEC fund has given to the world food program. Some of the starving countries in Africa have given more money! Burkina Faso has given \$600,000. Just shows you that those oil-rich sheiks (and Hugo Chavez) only take care of themselves. Oddly enough, Islam prides itself on its generosity to the poor and needy. I guess the "walk" doesn't match the "talk"

Guess who has given the most money? Yep...the United States with \$362,728,240. Number 3 on the list is the UN, with \$84,446,700. Guess who supples the most money to the U.N.'s portion? Yep...the United States. Guess where some of our allies fall? The U.K. is ninth, with \$36 million. Who says the United States is not the most generous nation in the world?

"He that gives to the poor shall not lack, but he that hides his eyes shall have many a curse." Proverbs 28:27

I encourage you to join with us for worship and Bible Study this Sunday at the Cross Plains Church of Christ.

Sunday Morning Bible Class..9:45a.m. Sunday Evening Worship....6:00p.m. Sunday Morning Worship.....10:45a.m. Wed. Evening Bible Study...7:00p.m. Friends & Neighbors Caring In Jesus

couple of songs and then there **Meetings** were jokes all around. On Sunday, there was a shortened encore of

should have seen how comical it Cross Plains Church of Christ Dessert, Milk/Tea/Coffee Activity Center on East Highway whipped out our computers 36.

contact Claude at 254-725-4496 or Diana at 254-725-4670.

Texas has largest volunteer archeological

from eating and visiting to the auction before I even finished eating my cake and pie and cookie and fudge and cheesecake and watermelon and...but I just kept telling myself all the way back to Austin that I really didn't need it anyway. What with all the everything you can think of, well We had a lot of great things that sold at the auction, including a the Woody's settled, and then, more about their sites.

For additional information on the TASN or if you have property that you would like examined, contact the THC's Archeology Division at

LIBRARY Notes

July 6 - 10, 2009

Patrons:	167
Books Checked Out:	225
Programs:	53
Summer Reading	
Programs 45	
Other 8	
Copies:	35
Reference:	8
Internet Users:	92
Interlibrary Loans:	1
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Joyce Hedges Paulette Foster

Memorials: Tommy and Sha Cowan In Memory of Janet Purvis

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Alcoholics Anonymous meetings are now being held

network in country

AUSTIN, Texas-From burial grounds to battlefields, Texas has nearly two million archeological sites scattered across the state. In an effort to preserve and document these sites, most of which are on privately-owned land, the Texas Historical Commission (THC) established the Texas Archeological Stewardship Network (TASN). Marking the 25th anniversary of the program, the "all volunteer army" has grown to be the largest such group in the country and offers assistance to landowners wanting to learn

Stewards are an invaluable resource and arm landowners with useful information and suggestions on how to protect a site from looters and other potential destruction. Comprised of highly trained and motivated avocational archeologists, the innovative program has served as the model for similar groups in other states. Duties carried out by stewards include helping obtain protective designations and recording private artifact collections. Some also conduct talks at schools and preservation groups and assist THC archeologists on digs and surveys. Without the assistance of stewards, the THC would not be able to preserve and protect the significant real archeological sites throughout Texas to unravel the stories they tell.

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SENIOR CITIZEN **CENTER ACTIVITIES:** BY AMBER THOMAS

WEEKLY ACTIVITIES

Monday, 13th- Movie Day @ 10:00am Tuesday, 14th- Exercise Class @ 11:00 am / Game Night 4:00-8:00pm / Pool Tournament 5:30 pm

Wednesday, 15th - Sing Along @ 11:00 am with Jacque & Gail / June Birthdays Celebrated / Free Foot Care Clinic by Girling Thursday, 16th-FREE Manicures @ 10:30am/Exercise

Classes-11:00am / Shopping Trip to Wal-Mart-Leaving at 1:15 pm (SIGN UP) Friday, 17th- Crochet with Cookie Robinson / BINGO

Farmers Market

Do you have an abundance of den items please bring them to the fruits and vegetables from your center and we will put them out garden? The Center has a table to help our seniors get fresh fruits that is designed for produce for and vegetables. the Seniors. If you have extra gar-

Senior Center can use your leftover Garage Sale Items

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community. If you are able to donations is June 30th.

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JULY 20 -24

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For additional information, Bread & Dessert, Tea/Coffee/

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Potatoes, Peas, Bread & Dessert, Tea/Coffee/Milk Dumplings, Broccoli, Carrots, FRIDAY- Ham & Cheese

Sandwiches (lettuce/tomato/ onion), Black Bean Salad, Dessert, Milk/Tea/Coffee

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

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10:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m. 400 SW 5th Street (Hwy 36) 254-725-4578 **NEW STORES HOURS** Effective Monday, July 13th

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SCHOOL BOARD **MEETING**

A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Cross Plains I.S.D. will be held on July 16, 2009 beginning at 6:00 p.m. in the high school library. The subjects to be discussed or considered or upon which any formal action may be taken are as follows:

Call Meeting to Order

- 1. Open Forum
- 2. Superintendent's Comments
- 3. New Business A.Review and Approve Payment of Bills and
- Financial Report B.Discuss and Take Action on Bids for Fire Alarm, Bell and Clock System for
- Primary Building C. Set Date for Budget Workshop (Aug. 20, 2009 at 6:00 p.m. ?)
- D.Consider Change in Policy **DEC Local Concerning** Leaves and Absences as Recommended by TASB Policy Services
- E.Set Date for Budget Hearing and to Adopt the Proposed 2009-10 Budget and Tax Rates (Monday, Aug. 31, 2009 at 6:00 p.m.)
- F.Consider Taking Bids on Milk and Fuel for the 2009-10 School Year
- 4. Approve or Correct Minutes of June 18 2009
- School Lunch Program/Lunch meeting. Breakfast Prices
- 6. Superintendent's Report A."School First" Rating **B.TAKS** Testing and Results C.Drop Out Report for 2008-09

D.Coaching School

(July 19-23) E.Cheerleading Camp (July 20-23) F.Drinks in Gym? G.Gate for Jr. High and Jr. Varsity Games?

H.Student Insurance? I.6 Hours of Dual Credit J.Football Schedule

K.August Agenda 1. Appraisal Calendar 2. School First Report

3. Certified Values 4. Propose Tax Rate to be Advertised in the Paper

7. Executive Session A.Resignations and Recommendations for Hiring (if needed)

B.Review and Discuss Consulting Pay for Past Employee 8. Take Action on Executive

Session Items (if needed) 9. Adjourn.

If, during the course of the meeting, an 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, actins, or 5. Elementary Principal's Report decisions will be taken in open

This notice is posted in compliance with the Open Meetings Act on July 9, 2009, at 11:30 a.m. by Superintendent Phil Mitchell for the Board of

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Thursday, August 13th at the Mall of Abilene, 4310 Buffalo Gap from 2:00-6:00

Saturday, August 15th, National Days for Kids Nelson Park from 9:00-11:00

Thursday, August 20th at the Medical Care Mission, 1857 Pine (*Please note new address for Medical Care Mission) from 4:00-7:00 p.m. Please bring your child's immunization record.

No appointment necessary. Child must be accompanied by parent or guardian.

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2009-2010 4-H **Sheep & Goat Tag Orders**

2009-2010 Sheep & Goat Tag orders are due to the Extension office by August 24th. If you plan on showing Market Lambs or Market Meat goats at the local, county or major shows you must call in your tag order no later than August 24th. Major show tags are \$7.00/tag and County tags are only

All tag orders must be paid for by August 31st! Contact The Extension Office

to place your tag orders at 325-

Submitted by: Hoss Sasin, CEA-Ag



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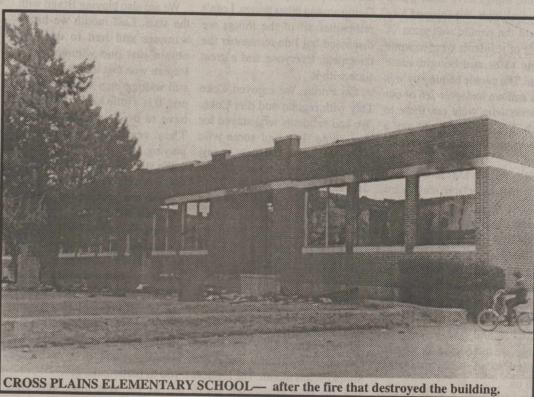
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Submit YOUR School Day Photos to be published in the

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HOMECOMING scheduled for Saturday, September 19

Mail Photos to: Cross Plains Review P. O. Box 519 Cross Plains, TX 76443 (w/self-addressed return envelope)



C.P.H.S. Homecoming is Just Around the Co

By Vanda Anderson Editor

It's only two months until Homecoming which is slated for

to make special arrangements.

Barbara "Cookie" Clark pretty as she ever was!

(Hutchins) Arnold when the childhood very precious. Atwell Cemetery Historical talked about looking forward to Homecoming. Many friends you only see every three years when they come home for this special

Marlene (Stansbury) Cowan

came by the office recently and I bank to make a deposit. They I will get to see them then. Then, September 19th. If you haven't JoVeda (Fleming) Watson came Homecoming. They have been made plans to attend, get busy by to announce her upcoming because you are running out of marriage to Neil Bush. Samantha said she was glowing and said Eddy Don Edmondson and Sid she would be moving to Lubbock. Newton called the Review to Best wishes to you both!!!! I check out the dates. Sid stated that missed all the fun that day. Now he had been in contact with Rick you see why I love to work at the Latson and had hopes that he Cross Plains Review, every day might attend again this year. Rick is like Homecoming. You never lives out of state so he would have know who will drop by or call and

a flood of memories come back. I never know when Carolyn Robinson stops by my office (Tunnell) Ogden might pop into often and I have been encourag- my office. She visits with Cecil ing her to attend. Conflicting and Mary Beth Barton regularly events have prevented her from and she always graces me with a attending the past few years. visit. The last time she was here Some of the 1967 classmates she stated that she wouldn't see grand parade takes place. Many haven't seen her since graduation, me again until Homecoming. and guess what—she is just as Carolyn seems to have a knack of being there every time I I had a great telephone REALLY need someone to talk conversation with my friend Beth to. I hold our friendship since outstanding!

house. Jack always says, "Now, society and are to be treasured. do I know you???" Sometimes he Sharion (Stansbury) Fry and our standing joke. They will be teachers, and administrators. meeting with the Class of 1965.

missed them as I had gone to the Tommy Cowan and Jack Hinkle at the recent Barbarian Festival. I usually come to Homecoming so enjoyed talking with them and of course they plan to attend faithful to return every three years to be with their Class of 1966.

> Nearly every Homecoming someone shows up that you haven't seen in years and years and it is terrific! If you haven't seen your classmates in a long time, surprise them and plan on having a great time reminiscing.

The C.P.H.S. Ex-Student Association goes the extra mile to make the festivities memorable. It is a big day in Cross Plains with the streets literally full of folks with smiling faces and vehicles everywhere. The old town seems to come alive, especially when the dedicated classes take pride in preparing extraordinary floats representing their graduating class. The array of classic cars is

It is my hope that I've made you Jack and Barbara Baum are in think about school days, good Marker was being promoted. We my office when they are in town times and friends. Lifetime working on restoring the Bryant friendships are rare in today's

> Remember September 19th doesn't recognize me according and come home for a fantastic to what color my hair is. This is reunion with former classmates,

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Brownwood Regional Medical Center is celebrating our 40th anniversary this August. We would like to thank the countless people who have made BRMC what it is today and look forward to another great 40 years of caring for our family, friends and neighbors.

Please join us for a come and go reception on Thursday, August 20th from 5:30pm 7:00pm. We will have We will have refreshments, special speakers and much more!

BRMC Community Education Schedule

CPR Certification* Tuesday, August 25th CPR Recertification* Tuesday, August 18th

Free Diabetes Education Tuesdays - August 5th thru September 2nd

Join us for an hour of educational information on various topics related to diabetes; to register call 325.649.2647.

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The Brownwood Regional Rehab & Fitness Zone offers personal fitness evaluations* and programs* with a certified personal trainer.

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coordinate a visit **Bereavement Counseling** Individual or couples' counseling is provided to patients who have lost a child during or after pregnancy. For more information, contact Kyla Berry, R.N., at 325.649.2127.

tiny toes **Tiny Toes** Free Tiny Toes Maternity

Expectant mothers are encouraged to join our free Tiny Toes Maternity Club. Members receive a lullaby CD, "What to Expect When Partner Discounts and a keepsake footprint certificate. Ask your physician for an enrollment form or visit www.brmc-cares.com to enroll online.

Free Tiny Toes Childbirth

Saturday, August 1st; 9:00 am - 3:00 pm in Outpatient Classrooms 1 & 2. includes relaxation, breathing techniques and other information to prepare for labor and deliver. Free to parents delivering at BRMC. Childbirth class should be taken in the 7th month of pregnancy. Class size is limited; to register call 325.649.3313

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Healthy HEALTHY WOMAN Woman A free community resource designed to empower women with knowledge and confidence to make informed healthcare decisions

Healthy Luncheon Topic: Minimally Invasive Hysterectomy and

Alternatives Wednesday, August 5th from 12:00pm – 1:00pm BRMC Meeting Room

Join Dr. Neel, board-certified, OB/GYN, as he discusses minimally invasive hysterectomy and alternatives to total hysterectomy. Lunch will be provided free of charge; must be a member of Healthy Woman and RSVP on www.brmc-cares.com "Healthy Woman" events link. Program is limited to 50 participants.

Senior Circle &cnior Circle A social activity group for adults age 50 and older. Members receive numerous discounts from national and local businesses. For membership information visit www.brmc-cares.com "Senior Circle" link, pick-up a brochure at the BRMC front desk or The Rehab & Fitness Zone, or call Donna Hair at 325.649.3392.

Upcoming Senior Circle Senior Circle Luncheon

BRMC Admissions Monday, August 17th at 11:30am

Free Senior Circle Bingo Monday, August 17th at 1:00 pm; BRMC Meeting Room Senior Circle Fellowship **Breakfast**

Monday, August 24th at 7:30 a.m. in the BRMC Cafeteria

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Sweetwater hosted **District 7 4-H Horse Show June 16th**

The Nolan County Coliseum was abuzz with activity June 16th as almost 100 young horse enthusiasts vied for top honors during Texas AgriLife Extension's Annual District 74-H Horse Show.

Champion Judged Horseman honors went to Haley Hill of Nolan County, Shelby Saucedo of Concho County was the Champion Time Horseman, and Haley Hill of Nolan County was the Champion Hunter Horseman.

The Grand Champion Mare was exhibited by Justin Stuart of Fisher County. Shelby Tibbits of Brown County showed the Grand Champion Gelding. The Reserve Grand Champion Mare was exhibited by T.J. Hudson of Schleicher County. Haley Hill of Nolan County had the Reserve Grand Champion Gelding. Shala Wilson of Callahan County received 8th in Barrels, and Tara Kinslow of Callahan County placed 5th in Grade Geldings at this year's show.

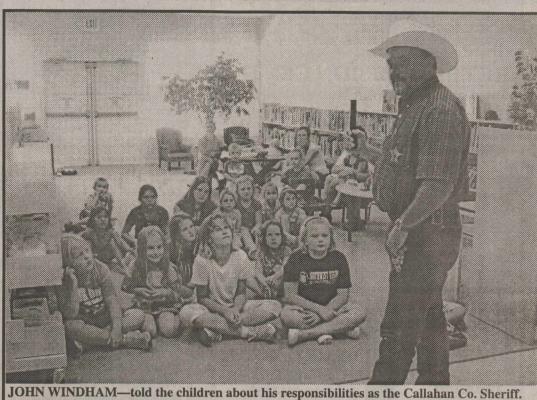
The Extension-sponsored event involves participants from across District 7's 23 county area. Those who earned a minimum of one point in the qualifying portion of the show and all those in the open segment are eligible for state competition in Abilene 25th-August 1st.

The Sweetwater contests featured many Halter, English and Western classes and numerous speed events.

The 4-H Horse Project teaches skills in leadership, horsemanship, sportsmanship, teamwork and responsibility. Submitted by: Hoss Sasin, CEA-Ag







The new Sheriff from Callahan County, John Windham, was the speaker for the Cross Plains Library's Summer Reading Program last Wednesday afternoon. He informed the children attending about the duties and responsibilities of his job, including the equipment he uses in his daily work.

He thrilled the kids by letting them try out the handcuffs! Sheriff Windham also spoke about safety and personal safety, reminding the kids what they should do in case of an emergency.

Miss Sue's Little Readers were entertained by stories about snakes, and they learned how to do the rattlesnake dance! Their craft for the day was coloring a swirled snake and decorating it with sparking jewels.

This week the children took a tour of the Cross Plains Volunteer Fire Department. Next Wednesday's program will be a K-9 Unit.

Remember Miss Sue's Little Readers, for ages 3 to 6, starts at 1 p.m. The special programming starts at 2 p.m. and Teens and T'weens are at 3 p.m.



snakes after enjoying stories about snakes. Our last day of special Wednesday, July 29th. Come on

Texas Reading Club underway Local Basketball Boys at libraries across state

Reading Club, a program designed by the Texas State Library and Archives Commission to encourage more than 461,000 youth to read for pleasure and to promote library usage, is well underway in 775 libraries all across Texas.

In a partnership between the Texas State Library and Archives Commission (TSLAC) and Texas libraries, the Texas Reading Club is a summer reading program that encourages children and their families to become library users and lifelong readers. Since its inception in 1958, TSLAC as part of its planning and programming for the Texas Reading Club, has encouraged program participation by providing posters, program manuals, reading logs, bookmarks and certificates.

The 2009 statewide theme is Libraries: Deep in the Heart of Texas! This year's artist is children's book illustrator Joy Fisher Hein. The theme song is by Sue Young.

The Texas Reading Club allows children to practice and develop their reading skills in a fun environment," said Peggy D. Rudd, director and librarian of the Texas State Library and Archives Commission. "This also fosters their love of reading, the usage of libraries and gives them the opportunity to be better prepared for school in the fall.'

Hundreds of libraries across Texas are hosting creative summer reading programs for their communities using the annual theme for children participating in Texas Reading Club programs. Local libraries bring the theme to life with special programming for all ages, reading incentives and prizes donated by local reading businesses,

AUSTIN, Texas - The Texas certificates, special speakers and programs and prize

drawings. In large and smaller communities, where there may be few free or inexpensive activities available, the Texas Reading Club provides free educational and fun activities during the summer months that normally last from six to

eight weeks. Children who read, succeed," said Christine McNew, Youth Services Consultant at the Texas State Library and Archives Commission. "Studies show that children who don't read during the summer months may lose three to four months of hard-earned reading skills." For more information,

contact Christine at christine.mcnew@tsl.state.tx.us. Information, artwork, videos, online galleries and artist information can be found at www.tsl.state.tx.us/ld/ projects/trc/2009/index.html. ABOUT THE TEXAS STATE

LIBRARY AND ARCHIVES COMMISSION TSLAC helps Texans find the team also got a rare opportunity coach who has coached and information they seek. The at the Hardin-Simmons team played overseas and has been people of Texas utilize TSLAC camp to compete against around top programs throughout services and programs to incoming college freshman that his career. The Buffaloes that effectively use information and materials that improve their lives, the lives of their families, and their communities. Since 1909, TSLAC has carried out a commitment of making information work for all Texans Our players never backed down Ryder Foster (Soph.), Garrett by providing history and and by doing so, they saw that Moenning (Soph.), Blake genealogical services, federal they could actually play with Hutchins (Fresh.). and state government documents, electronic

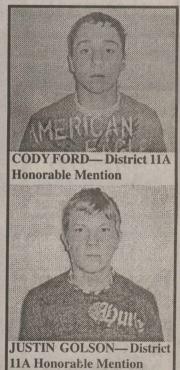
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Attend Team Camp

programming will be on in and have fun with us!

June was a busy month for Buffalo Basketball. The team was involved in the Cross Timbers summer league and the Hardin-Simmons team camp, competing in 19 total games. This is how the team is going to improve...by playing, playing, playing. These young men have put a lot of time in the gym and in the weight room this summer and they will see a difference come tip off time next season. Next year's team will be composed of mostly Juniors, and I've told these guys it's their Junior year that they will see for themselves just how good they can be. I'm excited for them and am very proud of their dedication these past few weeks.

The Buffaloes went 6-6 in the summer league, of those 6 losses, 3 of them were to larger schools these guys...it was a great experience for them. Justin



and the other 3 were games they Golson and Cody Ford also got were capable of winning. That's to attend the Elite Guard School one of the areas they have at McMurry University put on by improved on...competing, not Coach Matt Garnett, a very getting behind and giving up. The experienced and knowledgable were going to be playing were able to participate in these basketball on scholarship at games were: Justin Golson (Jr.), HSU. These guys could play..and Cody Ford (Jr.), Taylor Savell we weren't going to find that kind (Jr.), Pat Border (Jr.), Joel of competition anywhere else. Hinten (Jr.), Cody Self (Soph.),

Submitted by **Head Coach Ryan Edmonds**

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New Livestock Indemnity Program Announced by FSA

Baird, TX, July 13, 2009 -Eligible ranchers and livestock producers can begin applying for benefits through the Livestock Indemnity Program provided in the 2008 Farm Bill on July 13th.

"This program will provide livestock producers with a vital safety net to help them overcome the damaging financial impact of natural disasters," said Robert Frost, Executive Director for USDA Farm Service Agency in Callahan County.

The Livestock Indemnity Program (LIP) provides assistance to producers for livestock deaths that result from disaster. compensates livestock owners and contract growers for livestock death losses in excess of normal mortality due to adverse weather, including losses due to hurricanes, floods, blizzards, disease, wildfires, extreme heat and extreme cold. Eligible losses must have occurred on or after Jan. 1, 2008, and before Oct. **Texas Unemployment Rate Rises in May**

unemployment rate rose in

May to 7.1 percent and

continued to trend well below

the national rate of 9.4 percent.

The Texas unemployment rate

6.6 percent in April when the

Texas' seasonally adjusted

nonagricultural employment

fell by 24,700 jobs in May.

Texas has recorded a net loss

of 222,600 jobs in the past 12

months, compared with job

losses of 5.4 million in the

United States during the same

"The Texas unemployment

rate continued to follow the

national unemployment rate's

upward trend," said Texas

Workforce Commission

(TWC) Chairman Tom

Pauken. "Few industries were

spared in May as Texas

employers continued to report

job losses. Continued

unemployment claims

Texas saw broad industry

losses in May. Hardest hit were

Manufacturing with a loss of

12,800 jobs over the month,

followed by Construction with

"Texas workers are facing a

tight job market as employers

across most industries

reported job losses in May,"

said TWC Commissioner

Representing Labor Ronny

a loss of 10,400 jobs.

increased in Texas as well."

U.S. unemployment rate stood

was up from a revised

at 8.9 percent.

Date of Livestock Death	Final Date to File a Notice of Loss	Final Date to Submit an Application for Payment		
Calendar Year 2008	Sept. 13, 2009	Sept. 13, 2009		
Jan. 1, 2009 to July 12, 2009	Sept. 13, 2009	Jan. 30, 2010		
July 13, 2009 to Dec. 31, 2009	30 days after death is apparent	Jan. 30, 2010		

Texas unemployment at

7.1 percent far below

U.S. rate of 9.4 percent

Texas' seasonally adjusted TWC and 28 workforce boards

across the state."

Education and Health

Services remained a bright

spot in the Texas economy

with an additional 5,800 jobs in

May for a gain of 59,600 jobs

over the year. The Other

Services industry, which

includes automotive,

electronic, and commercial

repair and maintenance, grew

"While our unemployment

rate rose in May, it does remain

2.3 percentage points below

the national rate, and Texas

experienced job growth in

education and health care,"

said TWC Commissioner

Representing the Public

Andres Alcantar. "TWC and

the workforce centers around

the state remain focused on

The Lubbock Metropolitan

Statistical Area (MSA)

experienced the lowest

unemployment rate in the state

at 4.6 percent (not seasonally

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by 5,200 jobs this month.

The following table provides the final dates to file a notice of loss and/or application for payment for either 2008 or 2009 livestock losses.

Specific provisions for the supplemental agricultural disaster assistance programs authorized by the 2008 Act - the Livestock Forage Disaster Program (LFP), the Supplemental Revenue Assistance Program (SURE), the Emergency

Assistance for Livestock, Honey Bees, and Farm-Raised Fish (ELAP) and the Tree Assistance Program (TAP) will be implemented through separate rulemakings and announced at a later date.

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USDA Taps Juan M. Garcia for Top Post in Texas

(College Station) - July 2. 2009- Agriculture Secretary Tom Vilsack has announced the appointment for State Executive Director (SED) of the USDA Farm Service Agency (FSA) in Texas. The secretary has tapped Juan M. Garcia to serve the Obama Administration in this

The Farm Service Agency administers federal farm policy as laid out by Congress through a network of federal, state and county offices. FSA programs are designed to improve the economic stability of the agricultural industry and help agricultural producers adjust production to meet demand. Economically, the desired result of these programs is a steady price range for agricultural commodities for both producer and consumer.

As Executive Director for the Texas FSA, Garcia will oversee all aspects of federal farm program delivery for an agency that employs nearly 1700 people and on average, issues more than \$1 billion annually in commodity, conservation, disaster and credit benefits to farmers and ranchers across

"FSA plays a vital role in the economic viability of rural America. As the Executive Director in Texas, I have a significant responsibility to insure the Agency is making wise use of taxpayer dollars and that our employees are provided the fiscal and human resources necessary to efficiently and effectively deliver our programs to the state's farmers and ranchers,"

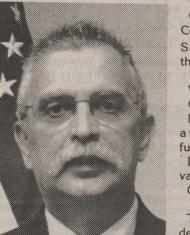
Garcia currently has served as the Agricultural Program Manager for FSA and as acting SED since January. He has 32 years of experience in the delivery of federal farm commodity and farm credit programs, and began his career with Texas FSA at the county level. During his time at the USDA Soil Conservation Service, Garcia provided technical guidance to farmers, ranchers and organizations in



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planning and implementation conservation programs. He served as an FSA County Executive Director in Hidalgo, Nolan and Cameron County, Texas, and also as a District Director for both the southern and eastern districts of the state. He holds a bachelor's degree in animal science from Texas A&I University. Garcia was raised on a cotton, grain sorghum and cattle operation in Willacy County.

"My immediate expectation for Texas FSA is delivery of the disaster programs outlined in the 2008 Farm Bill just as soon as these program regulations are confirmed by our national office in Washington, DC. Similarly, I anxiously await release of additional funding for our farm loan programs," said Garcia. "In the very near future, our agency will be poised to offer long-awaited relief to producers suffering from disaster losses and relief to producers who require our lending assistance to remain operational."

For more information about and programs administered by the Agency, visit the national website at HYPERLINK "http:// www.fsa.usda.gov" www.fsa.usda.gov.

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Are We Setting Ourselves Up Connie Kirkham Is "A Spy Among Us" For A Jobless Recovery?

1930, at the time of the Great

By Tom Pauken

The Texas unemployment rate jumped from 6.7 percent in April to 7.1 percent in May. While the percentage of Texans out of work is much lower than the 9.4 percent national figure, continued unemployment claims for individuals out of work for more than a week are 175 percent higher than they were in our state a year ago.

The national jobless rate is the highest since July 1983, and this current economic environment has a more worrisome feel to it than the recession back then. What is troubling is the sense that there is no place to hide when it comes to loss of jobs in the private sector. The job losses are across the board, with the manufacturing sector being one of the hardest hit in terms of layoffs and plant closings. Moreover, debt levels are much higher today than they were back in the early 1980s.

major reason why this national recession appears worse - and more persistent than previous recessions is the higher debt levels in the U.S.

During the "go-go" years of what turned out to be a bubble economy, consumers, businesses, and most governmental entities (the Texas state government being a notable exception) went on spending sprees as though there were no tomorrow - and no day of reckoning.

The credit excesses, beginning in the 1990s and continuing throughout this decade have resulted in a "mountain load of debt." John Riley of Cornerstone Investments has cited figures about overall debt to GDP (gross domestic product) which should concern all of us. In 1981, when President Reagan assumed office, debt to GDP - that is, consumer debt, corporate debt, and government was 91 percent. In

Depression, it was 300 percent. At the end of 2008, it was nearly 400 percent. That is way too much debt to get this economy moving again. Moreover, rather than reducing government debt, the Obama Administration is piling on more government debt with a stimulus package designed to

get the American consumer to spend our way out of this serious national economic recession. Our federal budget deficit is expected to be nearly \$2 trillion this year. The Bush Administration tried to engineer a similar short term fix in early 2008 with a \$168 billion package of tax rebates to individuals (including

paid taxes in the first place). Are we setting ourselves up for a jobless recovery?

money to those who had never

The Bush Plan didn't work; and, I submit, the Obama stimulus plan won't work either to get our economy out of the ditch - and growing again. Consumers aren't going to spend if they are worried - as they are today - about whether they will have a job tomorrow, or about the very survival of their businesses. Instead, Americans are saving again putting money away for their own "rainy day" fund. Personal savings were at 4.5 percent in April and jumped to 5.7 percent in May.

Meanwhile, however, government spending at the national level is totally out of control. With these massive budget deficits (and huge trade deficits as well), don't we run the risk of opening the door to runaway inflation, similar to what happened to Germany in the Weimer Republic after

World War I? Government cannot create jobs - only the private sector can. While the government may seem to create jobs when it hires people or buys things, it

destroys at least as many jobs as it creates when it does so. That is why you need a vibrant private sector to pay for and support the public sector.

in the private sector - as a local agent. where most new jobs originate - and put America back to

The federal government does dollars it doesn't have in a vain years? business tax system which been truthful to them. invest in order to create jobs in among those? proposal by business tax system with an 8- losing her faculties. percent border-adjusted consumption tax. That would level the playing field with our America again. The Hartman Plan would do just that.

with a new direction in is of sound mind. economic policy - is now. Let's MK: And how did your mother put America back to work.

economically. For details on had spent together. TWC and the programs it offers MK: When did you begin CK: Yes. My salon (Connie's boards call (512) 463-8556 or visit www.texasworkforce.org.

and Meredith Olson recently at a stoplight when a gentleman the large deliveries of "bluing." presented a program about their jumped in next to me and told the At first, I worked in the basement for the United States government first I thought maybe it was burned to the ground in 1999, the at the Cross Plains Public customary to share a taxi in agency recommended that I work Library's "I Spy Fish Fry" which France, but quickly discovered in the salon. The number one economic Kirkham being "outed" as the ringleader for a counterfeiting saw men in three-piece suits issue facing us today is - how local spy among us. I sat down operation. To make a long story getting out of black cars and do we encourage job creation with Connie to discuss her years short, I helped break the ring of sifting through the ashes of your

particularly, small businesses MK: Connie, what has been the got on the list of contacts for the in? reaction of your friends and French Foreign Legion. Of CK: Yes, they needed to remove family to the news that you've course, I had to sign a letter of any evidence. I almost threw in been an agent for the United nondisclosure and was unable to the towel back then, thinking that not have to spend trillions of States government all these tell anyone about my exciting perhaps I had accidentally blown

economy. Instead, we need to displayed disbelief; only a few then? reform our job-killing, were disappointed that I hadn't CK: No, I actually came home I was doing was very important

the United States. Under a CK: No. Cliff was actually Austin relieved. You see, lately he had

MK: Why is that?

CK: Well, for instance, I would foreign competitors for U.S. tell him that I was spending the operations, but in countries like used those rollers and any data businesses operating here at afternoon with mama, when I was South America, they needed the was transmitted to their receiver; home. We need to quit really out on assignment and then entire body color to change. You they later downloaded the exporting prosperity abroad, when he asked her how we see, it would be difficult for an information and passed it on to rebuild our manufacturing enjoyed our day together, she agent to appear on the beach in a the "higher-ups." Anyway, the base, lessen our dependence would reply that she hadn't seen swimsuit or shorts as a native with special rollers got mixed in with on foreign energy, and bring me that day. I would then have to white legs. Also, make-up did not the others by accident and if a cover my tracks and tell him she sufficiently cover parts like the customer was wearing anything The time for action - along the truth, he's relieved that mama feet, the ears, nasal passages and the transmitters.

react to all of this?

the Texas Workforce was proud of what I had done, long as the formula was ingested all have to wait until they The Texas Workforce saying, "I always knew she was the color would remain; but once announce their retirement (if they Commission is a state agency up to something!" She was the dosage was discontinued, the choose to do so). dedicated to helping Texas relieved also, because she was body would revert to its natural MK: Well, Connie, it has been employers, workers and beginning to think that maybe she color. communities prosper really WAS forgetting times we MK: So this was your primary

in unison with its network of working for the government? Cuts and Curls) provided the CK: It's been my pleasure to be a local workforce development CK: It all happened quite by perfect cover for the delivery of part of this TALL TALE! accident. I had travelled to Paris

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time in Paris.

rewards debt while penalizing MK: Was you husband Cliff, usual. Then, in 1997, France forge ahead. declassified the FFL's contact list MK: What about customers who and the CIA recruited me. They thought your rollers emitted a (the CIA) were working on a strange sound—any truth to that? businessman David Hartman, begun to think that my mother formula to change the color of CK: Well yes. The pink foam we would replace our onerous (Alice Roby of Cross Plains) was skin darker or lighter as needed, rollers held tiny transmitters that countries.

was confused. Now that he knows palms of hands, the bottom of brass, they would hear static from gums.

This formula, when drunk daily, would change the entire body's Tom Pauken is Chairman of CK: She was a real trooper! She color gradually over 3 weeks. As

job?

Former CIA agents James for a vacation. I was in a taxicab all the chemical I needed—hence adventures working undercover driver to "follow that car." At of our home, but after our home

was concluded with Connie that we were in hot pursuit of the MK: Ah, so that's why witnesses thieves and that's how my name home before you were allowed

up the place, but when it was attempt to stimulate the CK: Most were shocked and MK: Did you continue working discovered that the attic wiring was the cause, I decided that what and went about my business as for our country and I needed to

> for their agents to infiltrate other sent signals to other operatives. When certain "clients" came to Makeup worked for some the salon wearing receivers, I

> > MK: Just who were these special "clients?"

CK: I'm not at liberty to identify any of them; let's just say you'll

most informative speaking with you. We thank you for your service to our country and for being such a good sport.

Submitted by Michelle Kaiser

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Cross Plains' retail sales running 4% higher than 2008

The City of Cross Plains' one percent city sales tax payments in 2009 are running over four percent higher compared to 2008 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, July 10th.

Cross Plains' 2009 sales tax payments for the year totalled \$107,316.96, which is 4.94 percent higher than the \$102,263.92 in sales tax rebate payments collected in 2008.

The payment to the city for July 2009 was \$13,735.33, which is 13.19 percent lower than the \$15.822.41 payment made to the city in July 2008.

Texas Comptroller Susan Combs today, Friday, July 10th, announced that the state collected \$1.57 billion in sales tax revenue in June, down 11.2 percent compared to June 2008.

"The oil and gas, construction and retail trade sectors showed continued weakness, resulting in a sharp decrease in sales tax collections in June," Combs said. was not only the weakness in these three sectors, but also the totalled \$59,774.10. strong level of collections received from them in June 2008."

Combs sent July sales tax allocations totaling \$426.7 million to cities, counties, transit systems and special purpose taxing districts, down 8.8 percent compared to July 2008.

Combs sent July sales tax allocations of \$284.3 million to Texas cities, down 8.8 percent the City of Clyde have compared to July 2008. So far amounted to \$249,406.11 in this calendar year, city sales tax allocations are down 1.6 per- the city during the same paycent compared to the same time ment period last year. Texas counties \$272,063.65. received sales tax payments of \$26 million, down 10 percent compared to last July. So far \$29,681.49, down 16.78 perthis year, sales tax allocations to cent from the \$35,669.86 paycounties are up 0.9 percent compared to this point in 2008.

Combs sent \$16.6 million to 151 special purpose taxing districts, down 5.5 percent com- the town totalled \$9,066.44, up pared to last July. Ten local 4.30 percent from the 2008 transit systems received \$99.6 payments to the city in the million in sales tax allocations, amount of \$8,691.87. down 8.9 percent compared to

occurred in May.

payments to individual cities, ments for 2009 in Callahan ment, the Comptroller said. counties, transit systems and County are down 4.47 percent Some cities use up to an addispecial purpose districts, locate compared to the 2008 paythe Monthly Sales Tax Alloca- ments in the county. Callahan to help fund local economic tion Comparison Summary Re- County towns received sales development and to reduce ports on the Comptroller's Web tax payments in 2009 amount- property taxes.

CROSS PLAINS SALES TAX PAYMENTS

Total yearly	2008	2009
sales tax payments	\$102,263.92	\$107,316.96
Total monthly sales tax payments	\$15,822.41	\$13,735.33

taxinfo/allocsum/ 2008 payments to the county compsum.html.

The Comptroller's next sales tax allocation will be made on Friday, Aug. 14th.

Other Callahan County towns reporting sales tax payments in-

—The City of Baird reported that sales tax payments in 2009 started the year 4.29 percent lower than the 2008 payments. The city has received *Contributing to the decrease \$57,203.89 in 2009, while the 2008 tax payments to the city

> Baird's monthly payment for July 2009 was \$6,369.22, down 18.40 percent from the \$7,805.57 payment made to the city in July 2008.

> -The 2009 sales tax payments in the City of Clyde are 8.32 percent lower than the payments made to the city in 2008. The sales tax rebates for 2009. The 2008 payments to period

> The City of Clyde's monthly payment for July 2009 was ment made to the city in July 2008.

> -The City of Putnam reported the 2009 payments to

Putnam's tax payment for the month of July 2009 was may be used for any legal city State sales tax collections in \$1,388.72, up 9.08 percent or county expenses. Most areas June and local sales tax alloca- from the \$1,273.12 payment put the money in their General tions in July represent sales that made to the community in July

For details of July sales tax Countywide, sales tax pay-

site at www.window.state.tx.us/ ing to \$422,993.40 while the towns totalled \$442,793,54.

The tax rebates in Callahan County for the month of July 2009 were \$51,174.76, down 15.51 percent compared to the \$60,570.96 payment made to Callahan County in July 2008.

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 percent, 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 2.00% in local sales taxes, of which 1.00 percent is allocated to the city and 1.00% is allocated for economic development in the

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 corpo-

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 Fund and use it for normal operations like fire fighting, maintaining roads and law enforcetional one percent city sales tax

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Barb's Cues

By Barbara Holmes Worcester

FIRST LIGHT

Back when us kids were small, there was a little kid two houses down that was blind. Smart little quy too. He could read Braille at a sixth grade level, and he was only six or seven. The way he ran, played and spoke to you, it would be difficult to tell he was blind from a distance. His eyes looked normal except for the slight cloud or film that seemed to be in their depths.

In the early fifties, there was a new eye surgery that became available. The parents looked into it and discovered with the doctors that there may be a chance at some level of eyesight. They knew not what it would be, but they were pretty sure it would be better than complete blindness, which he suffered at the time.

Investigating further they discovered the cost, a staggering sum would be an understatement. Insurance at the time wouldn't cover it. The people at church, the whole neighborhood, well, the whole community found out about it after awhile and some started little things to raise money. Gloria, the little crippled girl who owned Shep The Wonder Dog who pulled her around in a carriage her dad had made, started a

lemonade stand in front of her house to help. Several of us started a neighborhood vegetable stand selling things from our gardens. They even had rummage sales and lawns were being mowed that didn't need it. Special collections were being taken up in church for the fund and all of it was going into the fund for his operation. Our efforts even made the paper.

The family was contacted and it seems that a hospital out of town agreed to do it for what was in the fund at the end of that summer. They were gone a few days to get it done and when they returned, his whole head was bandaged and he had to be kept inside for thirty days.

It was a cool, crisp fall evening when it was time to unwrap the bandages. The room had to be darkened. We neighbors were all gathered on their patio barbecuing and had brought all kinds of things to go with it while waiting for the event. Their house was dark and it had gotten so clear in the outside sky that the stars seemed to be flashing like a circus. I went inside to see how things were going just as they opened the blinds a little for him to have his first glimpse of the world. Across the street, a neighbors lights were on. He asked what it was and was told the neighbors were home because

their lights were on. He had never experienced seeing lights before.

His parents gently led him out onto the patio where we were all gathered watching in anticipation of his first visions. He looked around at all of us who he recognized by our voices, but had never seen. Then he looked up into the sky and exclaimed, "Look daddy, God's home, his lights are on. There was not a dry eye among us.

> By Mark Crider God's Work Ministries

CREAM CHEESE COOKIES

1/4 cup margarine, softened

1/4 tsp. vanilla 1 egg yolk

1 pkg. (8 ounce) cream cheese, softened

1 pkg. Devil's Food cake mix or yellow cake mix

Cream butter and cheese. Blend in egg and vanilla. Add cake mix (dry) 1/3 at a time, mixing well. Cover, chill 30 minutes. Heat oven at 375°. Drop by teaspoonfuls into ungreased baking sheet. Bake 8-10 minutes, or until lightly brown. Cool slightly before removing from baking sheet. Makes 6-8 dozen.

Barbara Walker

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The Doctors Prescription for Health

Column written by Albert M. Kincheloe DO Medical Director Cross Plains Community Health Center, 200 North Main Street Cross Plains, TX 76443. Telephone: 254-725-4311

With summer in full swing, looking at ways of staying healthy becomes even more important. Weather as hot as we have been having is particularly hard on children, the elderly, and folks on certain medicines, such as/or high blood pressure, diabetes and heart conditions as well as animals. However, the healthiest person alive can develop heat exhaustion or worse yet, a heat stroke, if certain common sense guidelines are not followed.

Both heat exhaustion and

heat stroke have two things in common. First, the body is not supplied with enough liquid replacement during the heat exposure. Secondly, the body has either a decreased ability to sweat, or cannot any longer sweat. Sweating lowers our body temperature in much the same that an evaporative cooler, or "swamp cooler" works. The evaporation of perspiration cools the body down just as evaporation in an evaporative cooler lowers the temperature of the air that it blows out of it. We all know that when the pads dry out, the "cooler" simply blows hot air. In the case of the body, when there is not enough fluid consumed, sweating is compromised. When sweating decreases or stops or evaporation of sweat is decreased as on a humid day, the body temperature can easily exceed the body's optimal values.

Heat exhaustion is brought on by exposure to exceedingly hot days, coupled with a failure to consume adequate amounts of the proper liquids.

Symptoms that warn of impending heat exhaustion include heavy sweating, fatigue, muscle cramps, nausea or vomiting, weakness, dizziness, headache, paleness of color and at extremes, fainting.

Since the body cools itself by cooling it's blood, the heart will beat faster to move the blood through the circulation route more often, thus cooling the blood more rapidly. For this reason, the pulse rate is usually faster than the upper limit of normal, which is 100.

If the symptoms of heat exhaustion last over one hour after the person has been moved to a cool shaded area with a fan or air conditioning blowing on them, seeking medical attention at the

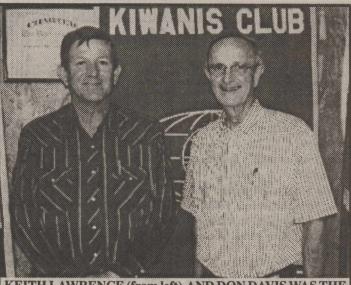
emergency room is advised. When the symptoms are severe or the person suffers from heart problems, hypertension or diabetes, dial 911 for transport to the emergency room, at first discovering their symptoms.

When the time required to cool a person down exceeds one hour, the risk of developing a full-blown heat stroke dramatically increases. Therefore, if fluid replacement in a cooled room with the air conditioning blowing on them has not relieved their symptoms, an emergency room visit is necessary.

Next week we will discuss heat stroke. Until then, best wishes for your health, happiness and

"Success is never final and failure is never fatal; it's courage that counts.

Unknown



KEITH LAWRENCE (from left) AND DON DAVIS WAS THE RECENT GUEST SPEAKERS AT KIWANIS—Keith shared news about new products available at Lawrence Farm & Ranch. He also informed us about prescribed burns and the benefits of having a prescribed burn.

Upcoming speakers for you to join us on Tuesday's at Jean's: 7/21- Nadene Smith with Hendrick

7/28- Debbie Gosnell 8/11- Cliff Kirkham

Texas Department of Agriculture accepting applications for Aquaculture Grant Program

More than \$1.6 million in funding to help producers fight financial losses

AUSTIN - Agriculture Commissioner Todd Staples announced today the Texas Department of Agriculture has opened the application period for the Aquaculture Grant Program. Eligible producers who suffered financial losses associated with high feed input costs during the 2008 calendar year may apply for the grants.

"Aquaculture is an important part of the Texas agriculture industry," Commissioner Staples said. "These grants are critical to producers who have been dealing with skyrocketing feed costs. The Texas aquaculture industry produces about 40 million pounds of catfish, shrimp and other seafood each year, worth an estimated \$57 million, and we

need to make sure these important food sources don't dry up."

Funded by USDA, this program aids producers of all aquaculture species raised in a controlled environment as part of a farming operation.

Texas received more than \$1.6 million for distribution under the Aquaculture Grant Program. Producer payments will be based on the difference between their 2008 feed costs and the state's past five-year average. Payments will be made in the form of feed credits that can be used at any participating feed supplier.

Applications and supporting documents are due by 5 p.m. Friday, July 24th.

For more information about the Aquaculture Grant Program, or to download an application, www.TexasAgriculture.gov.



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MOUNTAIN MAN Continued

"How can a man's fist hurt anybody?" I asked. "I wouldn't have fell down, only it was so unexpected. I didn't know he was goin' to hit me. I never played no game like this before."

McVey dropped the towel he was beating me in the face with, and turned pale. "Ain't you Bruiser McGoorty of San Francisco?" he hollered.

"Naw," I said; "I'm Breckinridge Elkins, from up in the Humbolt mountains. I come here to get a letter for

"But the stage driver described them clothes—" he begun wildly.

"A feller stole my clothes," I explained, "so I took some off'n a stranger. Maybe he was Mr. McGoorty."

"What's the matter?" asked Kirby, coming up with another bucket of water. "Time's about ready to be called."

"We're sunk!" bawled McVey. "This ain't McGoorty! This is a derned hill-billy which murdered McGoorty and stole his clothes."

"We're rooint!" exclaimed Richards, aghast. "Everybody's bet their dough without even seein' our man, they was that full of trust and civic pride. We can't call it off now. Tomahawk is rooint! What'll we do?"

"He's goin' to get in there and fight his derndest," said McVey, pulling his gun and jamming it into my back. "We'll hang him after the

"But he can't box!" wailed Richards.

matter," said

McVey; "the fair name of our town is at stake; Tomahawk promised to furnish a fighter to fight this fellow O'Tool, and-"

"Oh," I said, suddenly seeing light. "This here is a fight. ain't it?"

McVey give a low moan and Kirby reached for his gun but just then the referee hollered guilty to possession of a contime, and I jumped up and rui trolled substance, 2 year proat O'Tool. If a fight was all the: bation, \$2000 fine, \$258 court wanted, I was satisfied. All tha talk about rules, and the yelling of the crowd had had me so confused I hadn't knowed wha dismiss to theft granted for it was all about. I hit at O'Too completion of pre-trial diverand he ducked and hit me in the Sion. belly and on the nose and in the eye and on the ear. The blood dismiss to DWI, 3rd or more spurted, and the crowd yelled and he looked dumbfounded and tent. gritted between his teeth: "Are you human? Why don't you

and got my hands on him anc tions of probation granted. started chewing his ear, and he squalled like a catamount. Yucca to criminal mischief, 4 year run in and tried to pull me loose probation, \$1000 fine, \$308 and I give him a slap under the court costs, \$500 restitution. ear and he turned a somersault into the ropes.

foul!" he squalled, and Kirby prison, \$273 court costs. said: "You're crazy! Do you see this gun? You holler 'foul' once guilty to aggravated assault, 7 more, and it'll go off!"

Meanwhile O'Tool had broke \$238 court costs. loose from me, and caved in his for him again, because I was guilty to aggravated assault, 5 mad by this time. He gasped: "It years in prison, \$254 court you want to make an alley-fight costs. out of it, all right! I wasn't raised Brian D. Freeman, plea of in Five Points for nothing!" He guilty to arson, 15 years in then rammed his knee into my prison, \$273 court costs. groin, and groped for my eye, but I got his thumb in my teeth of guilty to aggravated assault,

To be continued.



Local Cowboy a Hit at Ft. Worth

& Mrs. David Switzer competitor that qualified. participated in his first rodeo. He event at the Ft. Worth Stockyards ranch rodeos this fall. rodeo Saturday. The ride of 7.5

Three days shy of his 17th seconds kept him from splitting birthday, Chad Switzer, son of Mr. the prize with just one other

Chad plans to participate in entered the ranch saddle bronc more rodeos this summer and

Web Site Helps Kids

(AUSTIN)—A Web site called Get a Life helps middleschoolers answer the question, "What do you want to be when you grow up?" The Web site is new from Texas Comptroller Susan Combs.

"Get a Life encourages kids to dream big, explore the endless possibilities the future holds and map out a plan to get where they want to go in life," Combs said.

Life, at Get a www.getalife.tx.gov, advises 'tweens and teens to let their hobbies and interests guide them toward their dream career and to look for activities, classes, volunteer work and paid employment that let them try out possible careers and gain valuable knowledge and skills

The Web site offers information about fastgrowing and well-paying jobs, along with the education required for those jobs.

"Many skilled, professional jobs do not require a four-year college degree, but they do require some training at a community college or technical school," Combs said. "We want kids to know there are a world of possibilities in Texas and many paths to success.

Get a Life is a kid-triendly approach to the Comptroller's commitment to keep the Texas economy thriving. The site was developed with input from real middle school students and educators thanks to the involvement of Bedichek Middle School in Austin.

"Middle School is the perfect time for students to take an inventory of their interests and abilities, be exposed to a variety of experiences, and begin to develop a career path," Bedichek Principal Dan Diehl said. "Our world will be a better place when we broaden the horizons and shine the light on pathways of success for future generations. Our students can't afford to wait until high school or college to begin building their dreams. Right now is the right time to Get a Life."

"If our children are wellprepared to face the challenges and seize the opportunities ahead, they will succeed and Texas will prosper," Combs

More information about Texas' job market and work force needs can be found in Combs' recent Texas Works www.window.state.tx.us/

specialrpt/workforce/.

Cross Plains Review

July 16, 2009

Courthouse News-

Joseph L. McNabb, plea of costs, \$140 restitution.

James J. Caswell, motion to

Andy Franklin, motion to granted, defendant is incompe-

Daniel C. Bailey, order dismissing motion to revoke pro-I spit out a mouthful of blood bation and amending condi-

Coby W. Kelly, plea of guilty

Michael L. Thomas, plea of "Your man's fightin guilty to arson, 15 years in Daniel L. Allison, plea of

year probation, \$1500 fine, Tommie N. Tyson, plea of

Tommie Norman Tyson, plea and begun masticating it, and the 7 year probation, \$220 fine, everyone together at the same \$154 court costs.

> voking probation granted, sentenced to prison.

felony punishment facility.



James and Jo Barr celebrated 50 years of marriage on June 11, 2009, and the couple's children and grandchildren honored them with a two-day family getaway at Hyatt Wild Oak Ranch resort in San Antonio, Texas June 4th-6th. After two days of enjoying the resort's beautiful pools, floating the 800-foot lazy river, and good naturedly serving as guests of honor for fun surprises planned by their family, James and Jo were treated to a 50th Anniversary dinner celebration at the Antler's Lodge, Hyatt Hill Country Resort.

The Barrs love to take family trips and in recent years it has time, so their children planned Joshua Welch, judgment re- the trip and anniversary festivities as a gift to their

Celebrating in San Antonio Amelia D. Kinser, order with James and Jo were: amending conditions of proba- Sandra Barr of Coleman; I.G., tion granted and order releas- Leslie, Sam and George Janca of Georgetown; Jody and ing from substance abuse Reagan Barr of Coleman; D'Anna Zimmer of Dallas; and

close friends Jeff and Ashlee Miller of Coleman, Ronny and Nancy Stewart of New Braunfels, and Rodney and Leslie Holmes of San Antonio.

Leslie and Jody surprised their parents with greetings from family and friends via video, email, cards, poems, gifts, and a dvd highlighting 50 years of married life together. One special moment was a video message from Jo's 91year-old parents, Lucille and Anse, filmed at Holiday Hill. James Clark Barr and Jo

Ellen Holland were raised in Cross Plains, Texas. James graduated from Cross Plains High School, attended Tarleton State University, and then served with the army in Korea, he returned home to marry Jo, who had just graduated from high school. They laugh about their wedding day when Jo's mother Lucille joked with James, wishing them luck and telling James he would have to raise Jo. James says after 50 years of marriage, he still hasn't completed the job!

The newlyweds lived briefly in Childress, Texas before moving back to Cross Plains near family. James took a job with Coleman County Electric Cooperative and in 1960 the couple settled in Coleman. James was a long time manager of CCEC and retired after 42 years of service, while Jo enjoyed a 17-year career with Life of the Southwest Insurance before purchasing Hickman Advertising, which she has owned for 25 years. The couple raised their two children, Leslie and Jody, in Coleman, and they feel blessed to have made their home here among family and friends for

the past 50 years. With a history of long marriages in the family, James' parents were married 53 years, and Jo's parents 56 vears and counting, their family wishes them many more anniversaries together. The family would also like to thank the special people of Coleman for 50 years of golden memories and treasured friendships.

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