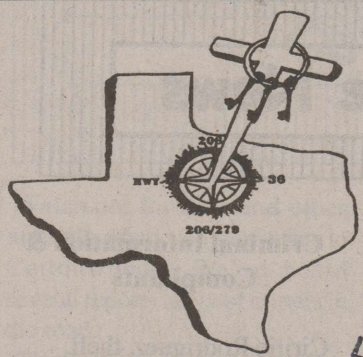


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Singing Songs from His New Album — Gary Morris delighted the crowd Saturday evening at the concert here in Cross Plains. See additional photos on page 5. (Photos courtesy of Judy Luter.)

An Evening with Gary Morris

People came from as far away as Arkansas and Amarillo just to hear the distinctively beautiful Gary Morris voice. They were not disappointed. Morris sang not only his hit songs, but also some from his new album. The audience was even fortunate enough to hear songs that are not

yet recorded. Morris interacted with the audience throughout the evening. Everyone enjoyed music from Eight Eighty East and Monk and the Misfits prior to Gary Morris' performance. Some V.I.P. guests felt very important indeed as they attended

a meet and greet with Gary at J's Art & Soul prior to the concert. Connie Kirkham provided the refreshments and Nubbin Ridge Vineyards provided the wine. It was a wonderful evening with an amazing talent.

Submitted by
Judy Luter

YOU Could BE The Business of the Month

The Cross Plains Chamber of Commerce is wanting to recognize your business. Starting January 2012 we will select a local business of the month! You will display a plaque in your business for that month and the chamber will advertise and promote your business.

We need a history of your business, how many employees, how long you have been in business, products you sell, etc. If you would mail this info to the Chamber of Commerce, P.O. Box 233, Cross Plains, TX 76443, or get it ready and we will pick it up. We will only implement this program to the local businesses who respond.

You do not have to be a member of the chamber to receive this honor. Please respond ASAP, as January is just around the corner and we would like to be ready.

Thank you for your attention to this. The chamber appreciates your support. For any questions contact the Cross Plains Chamber at 254-725-7251 or email crossplainschamber@yahoo.com. Our physical location is 225 SW 5th Street (Hwy 36).

Submitted by
Myleah McNutt
Administrative Assistant

Brisket Sandwiches, Hot Dogs and Chili Dogs Saturday at Lowe's/Super S to Benefit the C.P. Senior Citizens Center

This Saturday, November 19th, you can get a great lunch and help out the Cross Plains Senior Citizens Center. The Barbarian Festival Committee will be set up outside of Lowe's/Super S Foods from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. selling hot fresh barbecue brisket sandwiches cooked by Joe's Barbeque along with hot dogs and chili dogs.

"Cross Plains Remembered", the photo memory book published by the Barbarian Festival Committee, will also be on sale. Books are \$20 and they make great Christmas presents for family and friends.

Proceeds from lunch will benefit the Cross Plains Senior Citizens Center.

Annual Thanksgiving Bake Sale Scheduled

Before you know it, and lots more! If you would like Thanksgiving will be here!!! Are you tired just thinking of all the cooking and baking you have to do for Thanksgiving? Let us do some of the work for you! The Cross Plains Public Library is holding their annual Thanksgiving Bake Sale on Wednesday, November 23rd in the library's conference room from 8:00 am until we are sold out. Friends of the library will be busy baking lots of treats for your holiday table; pecan pies, pumpkin pies, fudge, divinity, homemade breads, cakes, cookies,

to place an order, (e.g., Italian Cream Cake, Pumpkin Pies, fudge, etc.) call the library at 254-725-7722 and reserve your items now! Don't miss out!

Board members will be calling for donations, but if you don't get a call, we still welcome your baked goods, as all proceeds benefit the library. Stop by, shop early and buy extra to freeze for your holiday table; pecan pies, Christmas.

Submitted by
Michelle Kaiser

Funeral Services to be Held for Former C.P. Resident Charles Donald Baird in Cross Plains on Saturday, November 19th

Charles Donald Baird was called home to be with the Lord on November 12, 2011. Donald was born August 11, 1915 in Coleman, Texas to Charles Daniel Baird and Nora Virginia Lowrie Baird.

In 1920 the family moved to Dressy, Texas in Callahan County, 4 miles west of Cross Plains, where the children grew up. The Dressy School had nine grades, and then the children went to high school in Cross Plains.

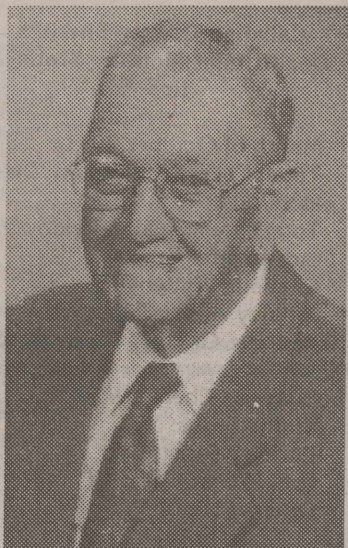
Donald's dad had a cotton gin at Dressy and Donald and his brother Vernon helped their dad and learned a lot about ginning and cotton. Donald continued in the cotton ginning business for many years — working at cotton gins in Texas and working for the Lummus Cotton Gin Company servicing machinery. Donald helped put up a cotton gin in South Africa and also did some work in Columbia and Venezuela in South America.

In October 1940 he married Frances Witherspoon. They were always active in Baptist churches wherever they lived, teaching Sunday School and working with children. Donald was a deacon and served on building committees in Cross Plains Baptist Church and Coleman Baptist Church.

From 1947-1954 Donald worked at Buckner Orphans Home where he was farm manager and worked with many teenage boys.

From 1955-1960 they had a tractor business in Cross Plains and were active in the community. Donald served on the city council and was a volunteer fireman.

In 1967 they moved to Coleman, Texas and Donald built his



Donald Baird

cotton gin which he ran for 15 years. Since 1993 they have been living in Georgetown, Texas.

Donald was preceded in death by one son, John David Baird, by his parents, one brother and two sisters.

Donald is survived by his wife of 71 years, Frances of Georgetown, Texas; his daughter Becky Baird Overstreet and her husband Jerry of Georgetown; one son Mark Baird and his wife Kim of League City, Texas; a daughter-in-law Annabel Baird of Highland Village, Texas; 7 grandchildren and 5 great grandchildren; and 2 sisters: Virginia Baird Pope of Cross Plains, Texas and Kittie Sue Baird Vine of Cedarville, Ohio.

Visitation will be Friday November 18 at Higginbotham Funeral Home in Cross Plains from 5:00pm — 6:30pm. The funeral service will be held Saturday at 2:00pm, also at Higginbotham Funeral Home, followed by burial in Coleman, Texas.



Preparing To Present Colors — Local members of the American Legion prepare to raise the flag on Veterans Day. See additional photos on page 11. (Photos courtesy of Sheila Hamlin.)



Cross Plains Public Library is Honored by Visitors — Pat Gordzelik (left to right), and Quentin Wilson visited the library on November 7th. Gordzelik, vice-president of Tripoli Rocketry Association, relocated the Tripoli Rocketry launches to Cross Plains from Amarillo last year. Quentin Wilson, one of the original "Rocket Boys" whose real-life story was portrayed in the movie, "October Sky," toured the library, perusing the science fiction collection and pulling out books from his favorite author. Wilson's visit prompted library patrons to request, "Rocket Boys" and "October Sky" as our next Book-To-Movie event for both the teen and adult book clubs.

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Dates
Announced
for Cross
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Wednesday,
November
23rd
Thursday,
Nov. 24th
Friday,
Nov. 25th

Early Out
on Tuesday,
Nov. 22nd at
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Classes Resume
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Church Directory

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Sunday School9:45 AM
 Morning Worship.....11:00 AM
 Evening Service.....6:00 PM
 Wednesday Bible Study & Prayer Time.....7:00 PM

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Pastor Max Evans

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Rowden Baptist Church

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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

Pioneer Baptist Church

Pastor:

Music Director:

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Barbara Jo Medley

Sunday School.....10:00am

Sunday Morning Worship.....11:00am

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Wednesday Prayer Service.....7:00pm

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Obituaries

Jimmie (Howell) Penn

Jimmie Howell Penn passed away peacefully at home on Friday, November 11, 2011.

Memorial service was held at 4:00 p.m. Wednesday, November 16, 2011 at the Ellis Funeral Home Chapel. Arrangements are under the direction of Ellis Funeral Home in Midland. Condolences may be offered at www.ellisfunerals.com.

She was the daughter of Boots and Happy Howell of Cross Plains. After graduating from the University of North Texas, she met and married Gene Penn and moved to Midland in 1954. Jimmie was an active member of the American Contract Bridge League and was a Gold Life Master.

Survivors include her daughters, Genie Yockey of Louisville, Kentucky and Sandie White of Burke, Virginia; a son, Don and wife Cristie of Westlake, Texas; her grandchildren Jolie Yockey of Nashville, Tennessee, Lauren White of Fairfax, Virginia, Jonathan Penn of Encino, California; Alexander White of Seoul, South Korea, Holly and husband Jon Piorkowski of Dallas; great-granddaughter Kylie Yockey of Nashville, Tennessee; and many special friends at the Allison Bridge Center.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to the Midland Rape Crisis Center, P.O. Box 10081, Midland, TX 79702 or Ronald McDonald House - Kentuckiana, 550 South First Street, Louisville, Kentucky 40202.

Lavada Fay (Edington) Young

Lavada Fay (Edington) Young, 80, of Coleman died Saturday, November 12, 2011, at Hendrick Medical Center in Abilene. She passed gently from this world surrounded by her loved ones, leaving her lengthy struggles behind.

The daughter of Cleo Clyde Edington and Ella (Thate) Edington, Lavada was born north of Burkett, on November 17, 1930. Years growing up on the family farm in Coleman County with her older sister Lelia (Edington) Cathey, currently of Red Oak, introduced her to the rewards of hard work at an early age and birthed an independent, self-reliant spirit that never left her.

Graduating from Burkett High School, she was married to Thomas Arthur Young on July 29, 1950. Their union produced two daughters, Shirley Jean Young Bethel and Sandra Elaine Young Slate.

Lavada worked numerous clerical jobs throughout her life starting at Coleman County State Bank and retiring from the Coleman Housing Authority.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Tom Young; her parents; brother-in-law, David Ross Cathey; and son-in-law, Raymond Bethel. She lived in Coleman the majority of her adult life, moving in November 2009 to live at Wesley Court Retirement Center in Abilene.

Survivors include her daughters, Shirley Bethel of Coleman and Sandra Slate and husband Johnny of San Angelo; three grandchildren, Brian Lee Bethel and Judie Ostlien of Abilene, John Bradley Slate and wife Dee Ann Slate or Keller and Kristen Nicole Lyons and husband Ben of San Angelo; three great-grandchildren Rylee Grace Slate and Reese McKenzie Slate, Bretley Slate Lyons and one additional great-grandchild expected in December; and many other nieces, nephews and cousins.

A celebration of her life was held at 2 p.m. Tuesday, November 15, 2011 at First Baptist Church in Coleman with Scotty Ratliff and Bro. John Stanislaw officiating. Burial followed in the Burkett Cemetery, under direction of Stevens Funeral Home in Coleman.

Memorials may be made to a charity of the giver's choice.

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God won't ask about the clothes you had in your closet, He'll ask how many you helped to clothe

Sheriff's Department Monthly Report for September

Callahan County Sheriff's Department Monthly Statistics

Month of September 2011
 Total Calls Received in Dispatch: 431
 Total Arrests Made: Felony 6, Misdemeanor 10.
 Citations Written: 25
 Agency Assists: 18
 Reports: Offense 14, Incident 4.
 Business Checks: 199
 Traffic Stops: 94
 Citizens Assists: 35
 Non-Report Calls: 48
 Other: 11

9-2-2011 10:25 a.m. Chief Deputy Collom was dispatched to the 100 block of Pecan in Putnam on an assault. On arrival the female caller advised a male subject hit her. The male subject was contacted and arrested for the assault and booked into the Callahan County Jail.

9-6-2011 6:14 p.m. Deputy Marlow was dispatched to the 2700 block of FM 603 on a burglary call. On arrival contact was made with the caller who advised that a window was broken out and an engine and four wheels with tires were taken. A report was made and the call is still under investigation.

9-28-2011 1:33 p.m. Deputy Bogart responded to a call on CR 482 south of Putnam on theft of oilfield pipe. Taken was eight joints of oilfield casing and eleven joints of oilfield tubing. Report was taken and call is still under investigation.

In the month of September the Sheriff's Office has responded to 37 calls dealing with cattle issues from being out in the roadway to being under fed to being estray.

Total booked into the Callahan County Jail for month of September 2011: 30

Courthouse News

CALLAHAN COUNTY COURTHOUSE NEWS

Roger Corn, Presiding

Misdemeanor Filings

Christopher E. Easterwood, theft by check.

William Wade Howard, theft by check.

Christopher J. Willett, theft by check.

Mack D. Duggar, driving while intoxicated (DWI).

Jim C. Wilson, DWI.

Justin Lee Hayden, DWI.

Misdemeanor Minutes

Caleb A. Chapman, plea of guilty to theft by check, 180 days in jail, \$294 court costs.

Marques Lewis, plea of guilty to possession of marijuana, 1 year probation, \$300 fine, \$324 court costs.

Marriage Licenses

Zane Scott Huntley and Tonya Rae Lane, both of Clyde.

Jason Edward Lowe and Danamae Cheyenne Harrison, both of Clyde.

42nd DISTRICT COURT

John Weeks, presiding

Criminal Information & Complaints

Cirilio Rodriguez, theft.

Civil Filings

Big Country Hunts, LLC vs. Terry Reed Matthew Linder, Jeff Whitfield and Terry G. Wilson, also known as T.J. Wilson, debt/contract.

Civil Minutes

Eddie D. Stash vs. Franklin RV, Inc. and Jammie Fry, order to dismiss without prejudice granted.

Johnny Lee Mayhugh and Amber Dawn Mayhugh, divorce granted.

Tresha Lynette Melton and Darrell Dewayne Melton, divorce granted.

Jesica Marie Wright and Joshua Michael Wright, divorce granted.

Michael Willis vs. Scott Quinn, Dan Quinn and Steve Goldsmith, final judgment granted.

FIA Card Services, N.A. vs. Marla H. Donlan, order of dismissal without prejudice granted.

Wretha Alene Nystel Wagner and Paul Grafton Wagner, divorce granted.

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Sheriff's Department Monthly Report for October

Callahan County Sheriff's Department Monthly Statistics

Month of October 2011
 Total Calls Received in Dispatch: 509
 Total Arrests Made: Felony 5, Misdemeanor 7.
 Citations Written: 15
 Agency Assists: 26
 Reports: Offense 15, Incident 2.
 Business Checks: 139
 Traffic Stops: 36
 Citizens Assists: 32
 Non-Report Calls: 47
 Other: 11

10-12-2011 9:11 a.m. Chief Deputy Collom and Deputy Bogart responded in the 6500 block of PR 1210 on an assault family violence. Contact female subject who stated her boyfriend pulled some of her hair out and she had cuts and bruises on her. Suspect was not at home on

arrival. Report taken and case still under investigation.

10-26-2011 2:14 a.m. Deputy Marlow responded to the 200 block of PR 1205 on a domestic. Female caller advised her husband had been abusing her. Deputy Marlow investigated the call which resulted in the arrest of a male subject which was transported to the County Jail.

10-28-2011 3:35 p.m. Deputy Bogart responded to a burglary call in the 7300 block of FM 603. Contact was made with the caller who stated entry had been made and several weapons had been taken. Report was taken and case is still under investigation.

In the month of October the Sheriff's Office has responded to 33 calls dealing with cattle issues from being out in the roadway to being under fed to being estray.

Total booked into the Callahan County Jail for month of October 2011: 29

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

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Cottonwood News

Beverly Brown

Watch out for deer and other animals when you come out to Cottonwood! We've heard several reports lately of critters in the road.

The Cottonwood Volunteer Fire Control Group is planning an appreciation dinner for Friday, December 2nd at the Family Center at the Cottonwood Baptist Church. Pork roast, brisket and turkey are on the menu. The dinner starts at 5 p.m. And, as it's an appreciation dinner—there is no charge. Just come out and enjoy yourself and visit with friends, neighbors and other local folks.

Afterwards stop down at the Community Center for the **Cottonwood Musical**. If you haven't ever been to one, you don't know what you're missing. The musicians are great. You will really enjoy yourself, and who knows, you might just find yourself coming out to Cottonwood the first Friday of every month for the musical.

Saturday, December 17th, is the **Cottonwood Volunteer Fire Control Group's Annual Holiday Bake Sale**. Plan now for the holiday goodies you want to bake for the sale...or for the

ones you don't want to bake and want to just buy at the sale. The bake sale will be in front of Lowe's/Super S Foods starting about 9 a.m.

Need some holiday recipes? Got deer meat and need some new ways to cook it? **Cottonwood Cookbooks, Supplements and Cottonwood Cookbook Volume 2** are available. The books are \$20 each and the supplement \$15. **You can order by sending a check to Cottonwood Historical Association, P.O. Box 704, Cross Plains, TX 76443 or call me at 254-725-6369.**

PIONEER QUILTING CLUB

Marqueta Westbrook

Our club met last Tuesday for the weekly session of quilting and visiting. Present were Lou Grider, Olena Ezzell, Barbara Medley, Norma Tucker, Marqueta Westbrook and Mary Dean. Crystal Conway also stopped by for a visit and brought us delicious doughnuts. We missed Glenda Phillips. She was unable to be with us because of a family illness. Hopefully she will be back soon.

We are currently working on two quilts; one is a lovely applied sunflower quilt for Lou Grider and the other is a beautiful kaleidoscope pattern with a black

background and a vivid red, blue, green and yellow print. This quilt was pieced by Norma Tucker and is our donation to the West Texas Rehabilitation Center in Abilene. Be sure to check this quilt out on the telethon in January, or come by Pioneer to see it now. We would love to see you.

There is still much work to be done on the Pioneer Community Center building and we could really use any donations. We need some more windows and lumber, and if anyone has any old sliding glass doors we could use those, too. Please send your donations to:

**Pioneer Community Center
1602 CR 254**

Rising Star, TX 76471.

Your may call 254-643-3223 for more information. We thank you so much!

A special message goes out to Laverne Hutton, one of our longtime members, we love you and miss your sweet smile. Also missed are May Jones and Jean Alexander. Our club is not the same without you. As always, we welcome any and all to come and visit us on Tuesdays. And remember, "Quilters never grow old, they just go to pieces."

Country Christmas at Cottonwood Community Center December 2nd

There will be a Country Christmas Musical at the Cottonwood Community Center Friday night, December 2nd at 5:00 p.m.

A community donated and decorated tree will be set up in the foyer. Anyone wishing to make an elderly person's Christmas special may put a wrapped gift under the tree. Please specify if the gift is for a male or a female. The gifts will be distributed to the elderly in the area.

The musicians will be singing and playing Christmas songs along with the regular program.

All are welcome to sing along. Chili, beans and cornbread will be served, along with the regular entrees in the kitchen beginning at 5:00 p.m. with the musical beginning at 5:30 p.m.

Thanks to Tom Bennett, Rodney Callaway and Bob Robinson the auditorium will be warm and cozy. They installed two propane heaters that were donated by Chuck and Lynn Patrick. Thanks to the Patricks.

Y'all come and join in the "Christmas Spirit" at Cottonwood, Texas!

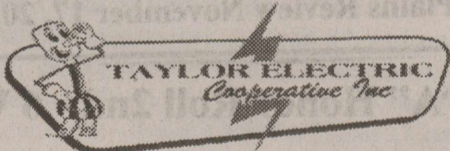
Motor Vehicle Department at J.P.'s Office will be Closed November 23rd

The Motor Vehicle Department at the Cross Plains Justice of the Peace's office will be closed by November 23rd. The J.P. office will be open.

The main office at the courthouse in Baird will be open November 23rd from 8 a.m. to 12 p.m. and 1 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.

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By Charles Chesshir
Cross Plains Church of Christ

To Every Student Athlete:

Congratulations: You are participating in a sport or event in which hopefully will help you grow mentally, physically, and spiritually. You will face frustration, failure, and exhaustion. Your patience and your perseverance will be tested and exposed for all to see. If you show up for practice; giving your full mental and physical attention today and everyday; you will know yourself better than ever before and like what you see.

You will become a winner; (the person who does their best today in every detail of practice; from warming up to strenuous endurance training). Giving your best today means you are stronger and closer to excellence tomorrow. If you do not give your best today; you will never know what you could have accomplished tomorrow. Do not waste today.

A winner knows the scoreboard is only a small part of the sport, and often lies to the audience. Winning is what occurs inside of the athlete, not on the scoreboard. When the scoreboard whispers: "It is no use", "Let's quit", "I'll never be good enough", and you're tired with pain, a winner does not quit. When those moments come, winners simply give everything they have, just like they did that first, and second, and third, and fourthand ninetieth day of practice, because they know they are winners.

A little secret about life; if you are not willing to give your all, (like winners do), you will never know the exhilaration God meant life to be.

Friends & Neighbors Caring In Jesus

433 N. Main St. 254-725-6117
Sunday Morning Bible Class.....9:45 a.m.
Sunday Morning Worship.....10:45 a.m.
Sunday Evening Worship.....6:00 p.m.
Wednesday Evening Bible Study.....7:00 p.m.

Library Notes

New Hours for the Library

Monday 1- 5 p.m.
Tuesday 11 a.m. - 7 p.m.
Wednesday 1-5 p.m.
Thursday 1-5 p.m.
CLOSED FRIDAY
Oct. 31 - Nov. 3, 2011

Patrons: 137
Books Checked Out: 165
Programs: 16
LAP 4
Lapsit 6
Other 6
Copies: 33
Internet Users: 40
Reference: 10

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D.P. Jones
Roger Klingberg
Melinda Dixon
Ellen Herbert
Ginny Hoskins

Volunteers:

Sue Bennett
Beverly Ross
Lavonne Childress
Suzy Stiver-Nash

Cross Plains Area Genealogy Society meets at the Library every first and third Mondays at 1:00 p.m.

Spirit To Spirit

By GENEVA NELSON

When someone's sin is out where you can see it, it isn't so you can "prey" on them. It is so you can "pray for them".

Always remember, what bondage God took you out of, when He called you to Him.

Do you still recognize sin when you see it, or have you let it all blend together?

If we are all headed for the same destination, why haven't we made sure everyone is "on board"?

To become a child of God does not mean giving up the fun things in life. It is to see clearly how to enjoy them the most!

There is a moment in every day where we either follow God's teaching, or we don't.

There is always someone looking to be loved, it is up to us to notice.

If you pass anything along in a lifetime, let it be to know God!

Don't just wait to be loved, get out there and love others.

In order for prayer to be heard, you have to be sure you have the right party on the line!!!

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Driver License Office in Baird closed

The Driver License Office at the Callahan County Courthouse in Baird is closed until further notice due to equipment failure.

Cross Plains Remembered—More Books Available NOW

Another 500 copies of *Cross Plains Remembered*, the photo memory book prepared by the Barbarian Festival Committee have arrived from the printer. If you've been waiting to purchase a book or to get books for your family members, plenty of books are available now. You can get them at Texas Heritage Bank, The Senior Center, Cross Plains Public Library, Salamander's or the *Cross Plains Review*.

Books will also be available at the Hunter's Feed and at the Holiday Market at ResourceCare on Saturday, November 5th and in front of Super S. Foods on Friday, November 11.

You can have your book mailed to you. Send \$20 plus \$4.50 shipping to Barbarian Festival

Committee, P.O. Box 74 1, Cross Plains, TX 7443.

The book contains hundreds of photographs of Cross Plains including school photos, street scenes, photos of businesses and churches and family photographs.

Soon, the Barbarian Festival Committee will start working on *Cross Plains Remembered*, Volume 2. Start looking through your old albums and shoeboxes now for photographs.

Soon, the Barbarian Festival Committee will start working on *Cross Plains Remembered*, Volume 2. Start looking through your old albums and shoeboxes now for photographs you would like to see included in the second volume.

SENIOR CITIZEN CENTER ACTIVITIES:

BY AMBER THOMAS

WEEKLY ACTIVITIES

Monday, 21st— Spanish classes 6:00pm
Tuesday, 22nd— Bake Sale: Need baked goods!
Wednesday, 23rd— Blood Pressure Checks by Girling, 10:00am Medicare Advantage Information
Thursday, 24th— Center Closed for Thanksgiving
Friday, 25th— Center Closed "Happy Thanksgiving"

Brown Bag Medication Checkup

Thursday, November 17th 9am-1pm at the Cross Plains Senior Center by Dr. Angelina Tucker, Pharmacist, Immunizer and Diabetic Educator will provide: * Private, personal consultations * Professional evaluation of your prescription medications, over-the-counter meds and herbal supplements * Tips for safe medication use * Answers to your questions about medications. **Formore information call the Senior Citizens Center**

HOME DELIVERED MEALS MUST CALL TO ORDER, AND OR CANCEL A MEAL NO LATER THAN 10:00 A.M.

Bake Sale

The Senior Center will have a Bake Sale on Tuesday, November 22nd beginning at 9am. If you are able to donate a baked good, please bring it to the Senior Center. There will be lots of famous Cross Plains bakers items to choose from! All proceeds benefit the Cross Plains Senior Citizens Center.

Mini Health Fair

Walgreens will have a mini health fair on Thursday, November 17th 9:00am - 1:00pm. Angelina Tucker will be available to provide a brown bag check-up, flu and pneumonia shots, and blood glucose testing. If you have Medicare all services are free of charge. If you do not have Medicare, there will be a nominal fee.

SENIOR CITIZENS MENU

NOVEMBER 21—NOVEMBER 25

MONDAY- Tuna Casserole, English Peas, Corn, Bread/ Dessert and Drink
TUESDAY- Beef Spaghetti, Vegetables, Salad, Bread/Dessert and Drink
WEDNESDAY - Steak Sandwich, lett/tom/onion/pickles, Potato Salad, Dessert and Drink

THURSDAY- Center Closed for Thanksgiving

FRIDAY- Center Closed "Happy Thanksgiving"

MEAL IS SERVED - 11:45 A.M. - 12:30 P.M.

ADOPT A SENIOR FOR CHRISTMAS

Would you or your business like to adopt a Senior for Christmas? There are approximately 100 Seniors that either get a home delivered meal or come to The Cross Plains Senior Center to eat lunch each day. For many, this is the only meal they receive and/or the only human connection they have each day. The Senior Citizens Center would like to make the holidays a little more special for those Seniors with your help.

Last year, we started a Christmas for Seniors program for all home delivered clients but many clients that come to the center have unmet needs also. A letter went home with all home delivered clients and they were to list their needs and

wants. Most all wrote they would like items like cat/dog food, shoes or socks! Only one big item was requested and it was a heater which a family was able to bless them with. My point to this is their wants and needs are small but they get very lonely this time of year. If they know that SOMEONE cares for them it can really help their spirits.

In addition to the Wish List items, we would GREATLY APPRECIATE gifts of fruit, food items that can be easily opened by our participants, gift cards to local eateries, toiletries and etc.. Many do NOT ask for a thing because they felt others needed it worse. I would like to be able to prepare for those a gift basket.

If you are willing to help, please contact the center at 254-725-6521.

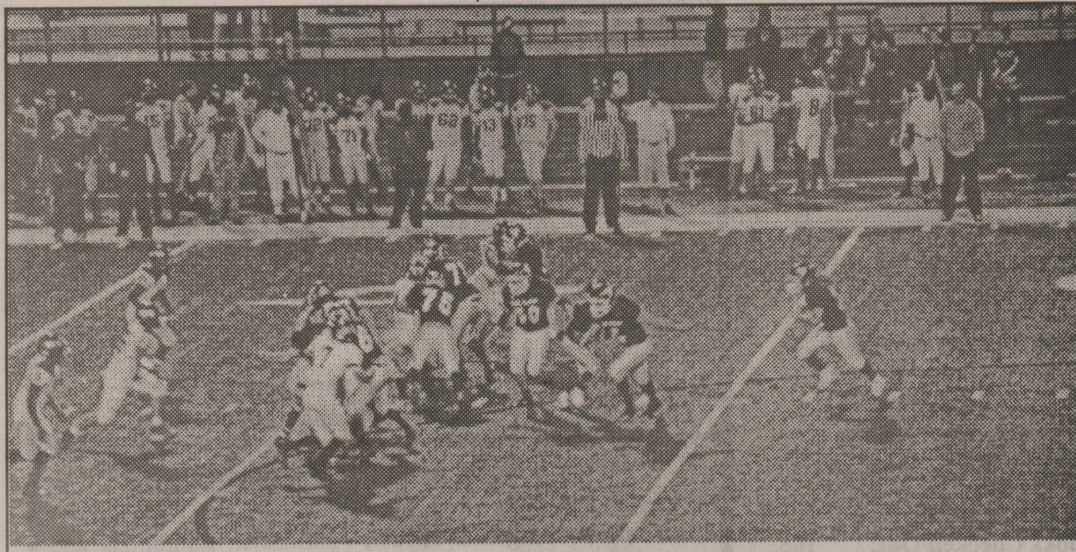
Your donation of items can be delivered to the person you wish to adopt or you may bring them to The Center and we can deliver it for you.

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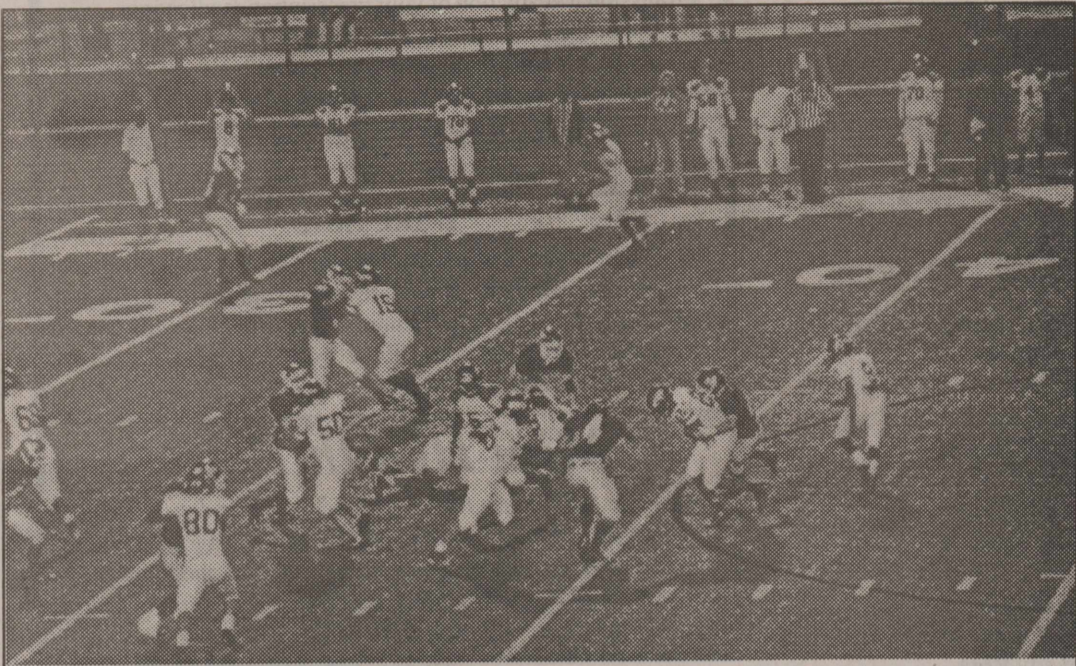
Thank You

The First United Methodist Church family would like to thank everyone for making our Lord's Acre Celebration such a wonderful success. Thanks to everyone in the community who blessed us with their presence, donations, and service. God bless you all this Thanksgiving and Christmas Season.

Pastor Kevin Morton



District A Playoffs — Buffaloes were matched against the Chilton Pirates.



Buffaloes Fought Hard — The Pirates were a tough team but Cross Plains played good defensively.

Buffalo Football Season Concluded

The Cross Plains Buffaloes' season came to an end Friday night in Burluson against a talented Chilton Pirate team, 29-7 in the A Bi-District matchup. Cross Plains was making its first appearance in the playoffs for the first time in ten years, while week eleven has become a norm to the Chilton Pirates.

Chilton's depth and speed proved to be too much, but the Buffaloes did not go down easily, playing four solid quarters of football.

Chilton took the first drive of the game down to the one yard line, before the Buffalo defense forced a fumble into the end zone, giving the Buffaloes a touchback with ball on the 20 with 9:43 in the first quarter of play.

After a fourteen play 60 yard drive, the Cross Plains drive would stall out with a turnover on downs. Chilton then scored on

its second play of the possession on a 73 yard run; the kick was good with 1:17 in the first quarter of action. The Pirates led 7-0 through the second as well and going into halftime the 7-0 score stood.

The Buffaloes turned the ball over on their first play of the second half, when a Pirate defensive back stepped in the way of Blake Hutchins' pass. Seven plays later, Cedric Carter would punch his way into the end zone from one yard out to give the Pirates a 14-0 lead after the extra point kick.

Another strong drive by the Buffaloes ended on the 4 yard line as they were unable to score on 4th down. Carter would take a handoff and go 40 yards for the next Pirate score to go up 21-0 with 1:26 in the third.

The last score from Chilton was on a 2 yard run by their

quarterback. The Pirates would go for two after blocked extra point attempt and penalty gave them another opportunity.

Cross Plains would battle to the end, as they led a 13 play drive that last six minutes when Cody Self made one of many of his acrobatic catches on a 22 yard pass from Tristen Stephenson with 22 seconds left to play.

Blake Hutchins led all rushers with 41 carries for 162 yards. Cody Self had 5 catches for 117 yards and a touchdown. Tristen Stephenson completed 5 of 10 passes for 117 yards and a touchdown.

The Buffaloes battled hard all night as their season came to an end with a 3-8 mark and a lot to build on as they head into the off season.

Thanks for all your support throughout the season.

Submitted by
Coach Daniel Purvis



Fall Festival 2011 Winners — King and Queen were recognized at the festival this year to be Madison Foster (left) and Logan McDaniel (right). Congratulations to the 2011 Fall Festival King and Queen.



Fall Festival King and Queen Nominees Announced — Spade Koenig (bottom row, left to right), Kashlyn Hunter, Stryker Dillard, Madison Foster, Logan McDaniel and Kadie Carouth. Destinee Cooper (top row, left to right), Ketch Thomas, Jacy Bien and Trenton Potter. Not pictured: Addison Long, Gage Fortune, Laynie Potter, Joshua Wilson Pancake, Katy Jo Morgan and Larson Walker.

Cross Plains Junior High and High School "A" Honor Roll 2nd - 6 Weeks

7th Grade
Hannah Cowan
Grace Goode

8th Grade
Kelli Bennett
Colton Bradley
Rebekah Crockett
Ashley Fulcher
Debra Land
Shelby McWilliams

9th Grade
Taryn Estes
Megan France

Brenna Kleiber
Kaitlyn Koettel
Morgan Manley
Stephen Saltus
Allanta Wheeler

10th Grade
Michael Carpenter
Tyler Henderson
Shelby Thomas

11th Grade
Cheyenne Cowan
Victoria Creamer
Ashleigh Dugger
Katharine Goode
Joe Holland
Sheldon Libey

12th Grade
Rachelle Allen
Jayten Ames
Charleen Avants
Samantha Dickson
Ryder Foster
Lauren Goode
Skyler Halsel
Mitulbhai Patel
Hayley Phillips
Payton Porter
Rosa Salazar
Robbie Saltus
Cody Self
Chance Senclair
James Sullivan
Kenzie Taff
Zoie Walker
Kristin Willis

Cross Plains Junior High and High School "A-B" Honor Roll 2nd - 6 Weeks

7th Grade
Lauren Box
James Briggs
Mackenzie Byrd
Ashton Parker
Devin Perez
Logan Phillips
Kelsey Sedore
Brandon Waggoner

8th Grade
Darrin Ames
Zachary Gartman
Brayden Kennedy
Meghan O'Briant
Kaitlyn Potter
Inez Salazar
Phoenix Sanders
Charles Thompson
Zachery Thompson
Billy Woodard

9th Grade
Natalie Anderson
Missy Brocker
Bronc Dillard
Kelbi Hyles
Bridgette Mayfield
Blake Self
Jurnee Thomas

10th Grade
Nicole Eisenbach
Kelsi Cantu
Cutter Halsel
Griselda Lopez

11th Grade
Erica Barron
Dania Delgadillo
Michelle Drew
Christopher French

Dakota Gilliam
Blake Hutchins
Riley Lawrence
Kaycee Long
Hayley Megarity
Brandon Roby
Gema Sanchez

12th Grade
Shelby Ames
Dakota Bomar
Tiffany McCaghren
Justin Pope
Tori Robertson
Justin Simons
Autin Thomas

Cross Plains Elementary "A-B" Honor Roll for 2nd - 6 Weeks

1st Grade
Adrien Canales
Dakota Kelly
Tanner Mackey
Trampas Mackey
Memphis McGough
David Mendieta
Cody Parr
Laynie Potter

2nd Grade
Jordin Boswell
Jody Collier
Kashlyn Hunter
Spade Koenig
Evan Lopez
Makayla Massey
Ashton Powell
Ryan Sperry
Lastyn Winfrey

3rd Grade
Kaylee Baas
Caley Box
River Bradley
Wade Byrd
Jordan Hampton
Sam Horan
Hayley Hughes

Kolby McKinney
Cody McWilliams
Kylie O'Briant
Strait Oskins
Brady Potter
Reese Sperry
Erin Townson



4th Grade
Jared Armer
Baker Butler
Destinee Cooper
Chloe Hollis
Jimena Martinez
Cody McCoy
Katelynn Parker
Savannah Perez
Corey Proctor
Brandi Wipff
Heather Yates

5th Grade
Paxton Byrd
Ashley Cochran
Jacob Collier
Gage Connelly
Hannah Crockett
Hanna Fortune
Mallory McCready
Ashlyn Millican
Noah Millican
Zachary Millican
Brian Morales
Bryce Petree
Trenton Potter
Ky Stout

6th Grade
Jordan Collier
Creed Goode
Kaiden Petree
Sydney Revoir
Eddy Ruiz
Cheyenne Shields
Sunbeam Wahl
Shana Yates

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Cross Plains Elementary "A" Honor Roll 2nd - 6 Weeks

1st Grade
Breanna Boswell
Zane Fleming
Teresta Hass
Sara Bien
Hailey Mauricio
Logan McDaniel
Hannah McKinney
Lupita Morales
Noah Moses
Gus Nickerson
Ryan Reed
Sarah Sanchez
Abbigale Shepard
Jocelyn Smoot
Shaun Stock

2nd Grade
Peter Craft
Torie Forbus
Kiley Morgan
Haylee Nickerson
Autumn Nickerson
Alaina Potter
Rebecca Schmidt
Callie Sutton
Addison Webb
Rebecca Willis

3rd Grade
Lanye Ellis
Chelsea Gartman
Roby Odom
Madilynn Shepard

4th Grade
Lexi Thompson
Trent Tollett
Josh Wilson-Pancake
Bryana Wipff

5th Grade
Jacy Bien
Kenzie Kleiber
Jackilann Shepard

6th Grade
Wesley Alexander
Joe Crockett
Katy Jo Morgan
Kayla Stoudemire
Larson Walker

Fall Festival Is A Huge Success

Saturday, October 29th, the Junior Class of CPHS sponsored The Annual Fall Festival. They were extremely successful thanks to the support from the caring and generous community we have in Cross Plains.

The Juniors would especially like to thank all of the businesses and individuals that donated towards the Festival. The event wouldn't have been successful without your support!

Fall Festival King & Queen were recognized at the festival as well as the nominees.

Nominees were:

Pre-K: Kadie Carouth & Stryker Dillard
Kindergarten: Addison Long & Gage Fortune
1st Grade: Laynie Potter & Logan McDaniel
2nd Grade: Kashlyn Hunter & Spade Koenig
3rd Grade: Madison Foster & Ketch Thomas
4th Grade: Destinee Cooper & Joshua Wilson Pancake
5th Grade: Jacy Bien & Trenton Potter
6th Grade: Katy Jo Morgan &

Larson Walker

2011 Fall Festival King & Queen were: Madison Foster and Logan McDaniel
Thanks again to the Open Range, Johnson's Dry Goods, Pool House, Mexico City, Higginbotham's, Parts Plus, Subway, Staghorn Cafe, Tim's Floral, Lawrence's, Connie's, Jean's Feedbarn, Ray's Barber Shop, Mike & Eds, Kimmy's, CP Frozen Foods, CP Petroleum, the Kaleidoscope, J & S Fabrications, Salamanders, McCready's & Montgomery Automotive.

CROSS PLAINS SCHOOL MENU NOVEMBER 21— NOVEMBER 25

BREAKFAST

MONDAY - Biscuit, Gravy, Sausage, Fruit, Assorted Juice and Milk TUESDAY - Breakfast Pizza, Fruit, Assorted Juice and Milk WEDNESDAY - FRIDAY: HOLIDAY

LUNCH

MONDAY - Hot Dog, Chili & Cheese, Tater Tots, Mixed Fruit and Milk TUESDAY - Chicken Nuggets, Gravy, Mashed Potatoes, Green Beans, Roll, Peaches and Milk WEDNESDAY - FRIDAY: HOLIDAY

"Christmas in Cross Plains" An Evening with the Stars

On December 2nd, the Cross Plains Chamber of Commerce would like to invite you to "CHRISTMAS IN CROSS PLAINS". The Kiwanis will be having their annual Christmas Program, Stew Supper and Santa come to town starting at 5:00 p.m.

There will be booths set up along the sidewalks in the downtown area and businesses will be open late with some having specials, door prizes and some will be serving refreshments.

The Cross Plains Public Library will be open from 6:00-8:00 p.m. and will have ornaments for kids to make and hang on a tree in the children's area. They will also have Christmas books available for parents to come in and read to

their children.

Our other confirmed participants to be open late are Johnson's Dry Goods, Salamander's, Kaleidoscope, Tim's Floral, Bagley Insurance Agency (serving wassail), Connie's Cuts and Curls, and Higginbothams.

J's Art & Soul will have drawings for door prize giveaways. Kimmy's Rustic to Rhinestones will be open late, have discounts and drawings for door prizes. The First United Methodist Church will have a hot cocoa booth set up under the Dal-Mar awning on the corner of 1st and Main Street. The Presbyterian Church will have their Live Nativity Scene set up on the corner of NE 2nd and Ave D. There will also be hayrides going around town for a tour of Christmas lights and

decorations so be ready to hop on board.

If you are a business interested in being open late or having a special for "Christmas in Cross Plains" December 2nd, please let us know at the Chamber of Commerce 725-7251 or call Shana Hinyard 325-660-5719 and we will get your information included. If you are an individual or civic group interested in participating in our "Christmas in Cross Plains" festivities, let us know so we can get your set up and scheduled for a booth. Also, please let us know if you plan to have your home or business decorated by December 2nd so we can put your address on the tour of lights.

Submitted by Shana Hinyard

Christmas 2011—Birth of a New Tradition

When you shop at home your community benefits!

As the holidays approach, the giant Asian factories are kicking into high gear to provide Americans with monstrous piles of cheaply produced goods—merchandise that has been produced at the expense of American labor. This year will be different. This year Americans will give the gift of genuine concern for other Americans. There is no longer an excuse that, at gift giving time, nothing can be found that is produced by American hands. YES there is!

It's time to think outside the box, people. Who says a gift needs to fit in a shirt box, wrapped in Chinese produced wrapping paper? Everyone—yes EVERYONE gets their hair cut. How about gift certificates from your local American hair salon or barber?

Gym membership? It's appropriate for all ages who are thinking about some health improvement.

Who wouldn't appreciate getting their car detailed? Small, American owned detail shops and car washes would love to sell you a gift certificate or a book of gift certificates.

Are you one of those extravagant givers who think nothing of plunking down the Benjamin's on a Chinese made flat-screen?

Perhaps that grateful gift receiver would like his driveway sealed, or lawn mowed for the summer, or driveway plowed all winter, or games at the local golf course.

There are a bazillion owner-run restaurants—all offering gift certificates. And, if your intended isn't the fancy eatery sort, what about a half dozen breakfasts at the local breakfast joint.

Remember folks, this isn't about big National chains—this is about supporting your home town Americans with their financial lives on the line to keep their doors open.

How many people couldn't use an oil change for their car, truck or motorcycle, done at a shop run by the American working guy?

Thinking about a heartfelt gift for mom? Mom would LOVE the service of a local cleaning lady for a day.

My computer could use a tune-up, and I KNOW I can find some young guy who is struggling to get his repair business up and running.

OK, you were looking for something more personal. Local crafts people spin their own wool and knit them into scarves. They make jewelry and pottery and beautiful wooden boxes.

Plan your holiday outings

at local owner operated restaurants and leave your server a nice tip. And how about going out to see a play or ballet at your hometown theatre.

Musicians need love, too, so find a venue showcasing local bands.

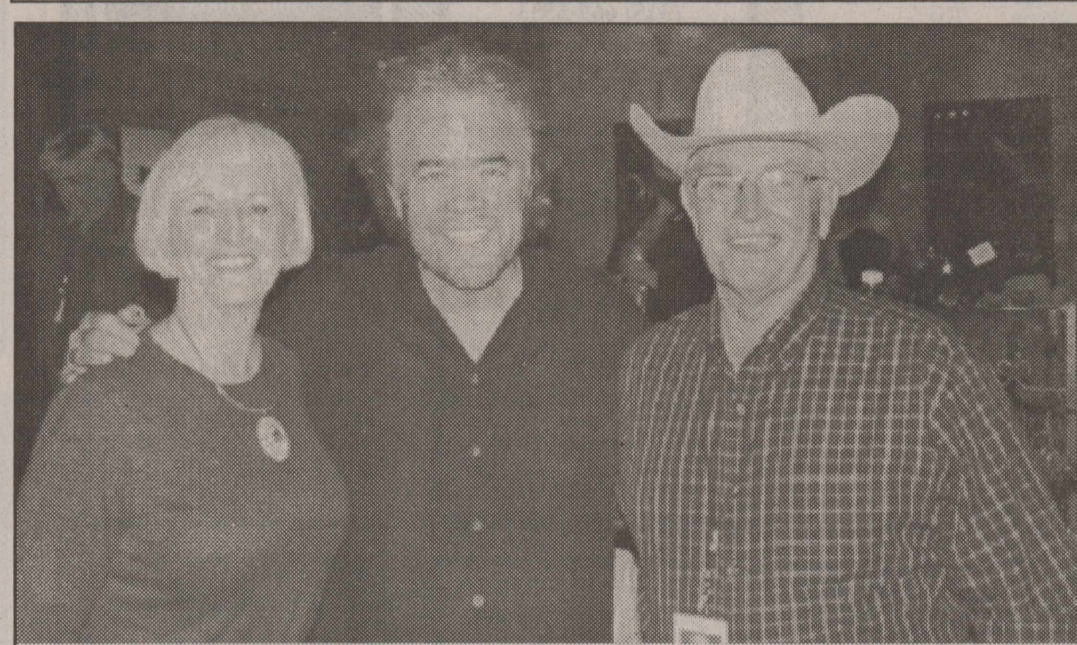
Honestly, people, do you REALLY need to buy another ten thousand Chinese lights for the house? When you buy a five dollar string of lights, about fifty cents stays in the community. If you have those kinds of bucks to burn, leave the mailman, trash guy or babysitter a nice BIG tip.

You see, Christmas is no longer about draining American pockets so that China can build another glittering city. Christmas is now about caring about US, encouraging American small businesses to keep plugging away to follow their dreams. And, when we care about other Americans, we care about our communities, and the benefits come back to us in ways we couldn't imagine. THIS is the new American Christmas tradition.

This is a revolution of caring about each other, and isn't that what Christmas is about?



V.I.P. Meet and Greet — Janet Tonne from Amarillo visits with Gary Cecil Jones, Kandy Jones (father) and Michelle Kaiser are in the background.



Getting Acquainted — Connie and Cliff Kirkham of Cross Plains will want to keep this photo.

Callahan County participating in 'Hog Out County Grants Program'

Callahan County is again participating in the Texas Department of Agriculture sponsored grant program designed to encourage counties across the State of Texas to make a concentrated and coordinated effort to reduce the feral hog population and the damage caused by these animals. The program will be from October, 2011 through December 31, 2011.

Participating counties will be required to document the following results:

*Number of feral hogs taken in the county, as certified by the county. The county will receive five points per 10 hogs

taken. *Number of individuals participating in county-approved educational courses addressing feral hog abatement technologies.

The Callahan County Predator Association needs your help by reporting numbers to the Callahan County Extension Office, if you have killed, trapped or otherwise caught feral hogs during this time period. Numbers must be reported by signing a certification form indicating date, location, etc. on form and returning to Extension office. Certification

forms may be picked at Callahan County Farmers Coop Inc. in Baird, Clyde Farm and Ranch Supply in Clyde or the Extension office located in room 201 at the Callahan County Courthouse.

Ranchers may join this effort by becoming a member of the Callahan County Predator Association. One hundred percent of funds received from membership or participating grants will be used to control feral hogs in Callahan County. For further information please call 325-854-5835.

submitted by: Jerry Warren County Extension Agent

Santa Is Coming to Cross Plains

The Annual Cross Plains Kiwanis Christmas Program is Friday night, December 2. Santa anticipates meeting all the children and adults at the Senior Citizens Center as he arrives in Cross Plains on the fire truck (6 p.m.).

Every child present will be able to visit with Santa and have his/her picture taken with him. Those who have a camera (or phone with camera) are asked to take their own picture(s) in order to speed up that part of the program. In addition to the visit and photograph with Santa, each child will receive a sack of candy and one (1) number for drawings at the end of the program. (Additional photographs may be purchased for \$1 each.)

We are combining a STEW SUPPER Fund-Raiser with the Christmas program again this year. This is one of four annual fund-raisers each year to help with programs of our area, especially the children. We really need your help in order to have enough to meet all the worthy requests and needs that come our way.

The stew supper begins at 5

p.m. —\$4 for adults, \$2 for children 12 and under (very young children who eat from their parents' bowl are free). And the Senior Citizens Center will be selling desserts to add to the evening meal to raise money for their projects.

There will be drawings for twelve (12) turkeys and eight (8) gifts of \$25 cash each. Drawings will begin immediately after the children are finished visiting and taking pictures with Santa.

There will be live and taped music to be enjoyed during the children's visit with Santa and picture taking time. There is no general registration for the drawings so the only recipients will be the children (and those who purchase tickets for the stew supper fund-raiser). You must remain and be present in order to receive the prizes.

The Kiwanis Club encourage everyone to attend, participate and enjoy Santa's visit to Cross Plains. Come early and eat, stay afterwards and visit! Remember, Friday night, December 2, beginning at 5 p.m.

Submitted by Bob Pipes

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God's Grace

There once was a man named George Thomas, pastor in a small New England town. One Easter Sunday morning he came to the Church carrying a rusty, bent, old bird cage, and set it by the pulpit. Eyebrows were raised and, as if in response, Pastor Thomas began to speak....."I was walking through town yesterday when I saw a young boy coming toward me swinging this bird cage. On the bottom of the cage were three little wild birds, shivering with cold and fright. I stopped the lad and asked, "What are you going to do with them?" I asked, "Take 'em home and have fun with 'em," he answered. "I'm gonna have a real good time." "But you'll get tired of those birds sooner or later. What will you do then?" "Oh, I got some cats, said the little boy. "They like birds. I'll give 'em to them to kill and eat." The pastor was silent for a moment. "How much do you want for those birds, son?" "Huh?!! Why, you don't want them birds, Mister. They're just plain old field birds. They don't sing. They ain't even purdy!" "How much?" The pastor asked again. The boy sized up the pastor as if he were crazy and said, ""\$10?" The pastor reached in his pocket and took out a ten dollar bill. He placed it in the boy's hand. In a flash, the boy was gone. The pastor picked up the cage and gently carried it to the end of the alley where there was a tree and a grassy spot.

Setting the cage down, he opened the door, and by softly tapping the bars persuaded the birds out, setting them free. Well, that explained the empty bird cage on the pulpit, and then the pastor began to tell this story:

One day Satan and Jesus were having a conversation. Satan had just come from the Garden of Eden, and he was gloating and boasting. "Yes, sir, I just caught a world full of people down there. Set me a trap, used bait I knew they couldn't resist. Got 'em all!" "What are you going to do with them?" Jesus asked. Satan replied, "Oh, I'm gonna have fun! I'm gonna teach them how to marry and divorce each other, how to hate and abuse each other, how to drink and smoke and curse. I'm gonna teach them how to kill each other. I'm really gonna have fun!" "And what will you do when you are done with them?" Jesus asked "Oh, I'll kill 'em," Satan glared proudly. "How much do you want for them?" Jesus asked. "Oh, you don't want those people. They ain't no good. Why, you'll take them and they'll just hate you. They'll spit on you, curse you and kill you. You don't want those people!" "How much?" He asked again. Satan looked at Jesus and sneered, "All your blood, all of your tears and your life." Jesus said, "DONE!" Then He went to Calvary and paid the price. The pastor picked up the cage and walked from the pulpit.

Thank You To The Supporters Of The 2011 Hunters Feed


We would like to take this opportunity to thank the supporters that made this year's Hunters Feed a huge success.

- * J & L Sales donated the fire pit; * J & S Fabrications donated the wood rack; * Kimmie's; *Lawrence Farm & Ranch; * Snippets; * Higginbotham's; * Triple A Storage; * Trinity Liveoak Realty; *Pam & Lexie Bagley, Dustin & Shana Hinyard, Dora & James Warlick and Connie & Cliff Kirkham all donated the bar-b-que briskets; * Members of the Chamber donated the drinks; * Lowe's Super S Grocery donated the water; * Bob & Marsha Osowski donated the ice; * Subway donated the delicious cookies; * Senior Citizens Center allowed us to use their tables and chairs; * Brian Bennett did a wonderful job as announcer; * EDC helped serve; * Branding Iron Meat Market & Processing Plant; * Johnson's Dry Goods; * Hutchins Custom Processing; * Parts Plus; * Cross Plains Grain & Peanut; * Texas Heritage Bank; * Tim's Floral; * Teri Colburn & Colburn Ranch; *Tim Dillard; * Food Plaza; * CP Centennial; * Bagley Insurance; * Cross Plains Review; * Teri Brown; * Wild TX Taxidermy and * Leann Barron with Edward Jones Investments.

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10.18 Ac. - 9 acres coastal past SOLD fences with small 2BR-1B farm house. REDUCED	65,000
13.33 Ac. - 2BR-2B UNDER CONTRACT rees and 10 acres of coastal.	84,500
14.184 Ac. - 2BR-2B mobile home with beautiful views, pond & scattered trees.	65,000
18 Ac. - 2BR-1B quaint log style cabin built in 2007, barn w/ 4 stalls, well, pond. REDUCED	125,000
19.26 Ac. - 2BR- UNDER CONTRACT oor arena, solid round pen, several sheds	180,000
20.21 Ac. - 2BR-1B Rustic home with small acreage. Property is fenced. Very cute.	99,900
30.382 Ac. - 2BR-2B home. Beautiful views. Two ponds, scattered trees.	92,000
37.5 Ac. - 3BR-2B stone exterior home, 40x60 barn, 9 box stalls, 9 tie stalls & arena.	215,000
38.877 Ac. - 3BR-2B newly constructed ranch style home with 2 ponds. Very quiet & secluded.	310,000
39.35 Ac. - 3BR-3B beautiful custom built home w/ame UNDER CONTRACT 3d pool.	575,000
40 Ac. - 2BR-2B brick home, 2 wells, 30x30 metal garage, 20x40 barn, 10x40 insulated trailer.	199,500
40 Ac. - 2BR-1.5B brick home, 2 wells, 30x40 metal garage, small orchard, rail car for extra storage	210,000
80+/- Ac. - 3BR-2B home, huge picture window, den/game room. Hunting property. REDUCED	295,000
116.719 Ac. - 3BR-2B two story brick home with beautiful views. 40x60 workshop, cabin & 3 ponds.	599,000
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84+/- Ac. - Secluded prope UNDER CONTRACT tank, beautiful views, great home sites.	172,200
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Chuckwagon dinner/quilt/Srs. Cookbook to gift store close-outs all combined to benefit Callahan County Nutrition Center

The annual Chuckwagon Chicken Fried Steak Dinner, to benefit the Callahan County Nutrition/Meals on Wheels Programs has been scheduled for Saturday, November 19, 2011.

The Fundraiser is hosted by Johnny and Leonna Adkins of J&L Cattle Company, supported by a six person cooking crew of friends and volunteers.

Tickets for the event are on sale now!

For more information on tickets contact the Baird Senior Center 854-1937, Clyde Senior Center 893-4556, Vickey Burns 854-2042, CCNP Office 854-5858, Harold Hass 854-1662 or Leonna Adkins at 673-9537.

The dinner will be served inside the Baird Activity Center,

located at 228 Walnut in Baird, from 5:30 p.m. until 7:00 p.m. but the food will be cooked outside, with the supplies and work being done on the chuckwagon and cooked over a wood fire in the ground.

Iron skillets and Dutch ovens are the cooking utensils of the day, and the menu is delicious, with chicken fried steak, cream gravy, mashed potatoes, piping hot biscuits and peach cobbler, accompanied by some good ole' iced tea.

Take-outs are available! All the above is yours for a \$15.00 donation to the Callahan County Nutrition Center/Meals on Wheels.

The Boot/Star quilt will be on display so that anyone wishing to get a ticket for the December

5, 2011 drawing, may do so at this time.

Close-out items from a small store called "Krazy Kate's" will be available for purchase at 1/2 the retail price and the Seniors Cookbooks will also be available. Lots of exciting things going on for a fun night of shopping, dining and visiting.

All the proceeds from this event are going to help the Callahan County Nutrition Center/Meals on Wheels.

The Adkins Chuckwagon award winning food is well known throughout the county and this will be another one of their delicious meals. So, get ready to come out and dine with your neighbors and friends and help a good cause!

City Council Minutes

October 11, 2011

This was a regular meeting of the Cross Plains City Council. Members present were Mayor Ray Purvis, Mayor Pro Tem Jerry Cassle, Colby Walker, Bob Kirkham and Lewis Fortune. Randy Strickland was absent.

Employees present were Teresa Kennedy.

Citizen present was Bryan McRae.

Mayor called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

By general consent the minutes were approved as presented.

By general consent the police report was approved as presented.

By general consent the judge's report was approved as presented.

By general consent the bills were approved as presented.

Bryan McRae, with Hart Intercivics, Election Equipment Rep, talked with the council concerning the need to make some decisions concerning the way elections will be handled in the future.

He stated that this need is in direct response to Senate Bill 100. Mr. McRae informed the council that the new bill presents election time line conflicts and that county support is no longer guaranteed.

He explained that the available alternatives are to 1) move elections to November 2, 2) eliminate even year elections, or

3) run elections independent from the County. He provided the city with a quote for the new equipment in the amount of \$16,945.70. He also explained that the new equipment has a 20 year service life, it's built to order and the company needs a four month lead time and should be ordered by November 15, 2011 to meet the 2012 election timeline.

He also discussed the fear of obsolescence and stated that the fear is unfounded. He explained that climate control is not required but that the storage area should be secure and dry.

There is a three year warranty on new JBCs, eSlates and eSlate DAUS and that there are extended warranties available.

The eScans have a one year warrant and there are no extended warranties on the Scans. He also explained that there is an annual \$5,000 fee for Ballot Programming and on-site Professional Services Team which includes: Logic & Accuracy Testing, Poll Worker Training, phone support for early voting, Election Day onsite support and Perform final Tally and backup election data.

If the City and the School chose to purchase the new equipment, costs could be shared.

Discussion was held concerning the purchase of bulk water by area citizens. It was discussed the

amount of time it takes to go and unlock the building so that customers can get their water, relock the building and then get another call from another citizens wanting water. It was noted that on one day, there was nine different individuals needing to get bulk water. After lengthy discussion the motion was made by Cassle and seconded by Kirkham to set the days and time to get bulk water at 1:00 on Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursdays. Motion carried.

Citizens should plan to get their water during these times, which would create less of a hardship on the city employees and create

a reliable time in which they could get water. Citizens should also be told that they must come by City Hall first to pay for their water and present the city employee a bulk water station with the receipt. Also discussed was the possibility of metering the water, but no decision concerning the meter was made at this time.

Discussion was held concerning the junked/abandoned vehicle ordinance. It was discussed at length. No action was taken at this time.

Motion by Fortune seconded by Walker to pass Resolution for Senior Citizens grant. Carried.

Ray Purvis
ATTEST:

Debbie Gosnell, Secretary

Big Country Crop Risk Management Workshop set for December 1st

A one day workshop focusing on Crop Risk Management will be held on Thursday, December 1, 2011 at the Taylor County AgriLife Extension office located on the grounds of the Taylor County Expo Center in Abilene from 9:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. The workshop will focus on incorporating crop market outlooks, with crop insurance, and price risk management tools to help improve overall farm risk management.

The workshop will be conducted by Extension Grain Marketing Specialist Dr. Mark Welch and AgriLife Extension Economist Bill Thompson. A new software tool will be demonstrated that will evaluate risk implications with various insurance alternatives. The software will be made

available to all workshop participants. A market outlook for feed grains will be given with implications for planting and marketing decisions. The workshop will conclude with a hands-on decision exercise where participants will choose crops, insurance products, pre-harvest market strategies and post-harvest marketing strategies. This exercise is a realistic learning activity designed to integrate the discussion about crop mix, production costs, insurance, marketing, and risk.

Registration fee is \$10 per participant which includes lunch and workshop materials. Pre-registration is required as space is limited so make your reservations early by contacting the Taylor County Extension Office at 325-672-6048 by November 30th.

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Last Chance to Win Guided Hunt

The Eula Jr. Livestock Sales Committee is offering chances to win a guided Exotic Hunt in the northern Hill Country for a father and his son or daughter. The winning ticket will be drawn on Monday, Nov. 28th, so hurry and contact any member of the Eula Jr. Livestock Sales Committee or Scott Ivy (325-529-4959) or Bill Dean (325-529-4421).

This great hunting opportunity will take place on December 9-10, 2011. The hunt package includes: choice of one axis or white-tail buck, one- or two-night's stay at the ranch, and steak dinner Friday night. Hunter will have a guided trip around the ranch on Friday night to locate animals using night-vision equipment. If the Saturday morning hunt is not successful, the hunter may choose to spend an extra night at the ranch and try again Sunday morning. Meals will be provided. If two persons are hunting, the second person

may choose to harvest a white-tail doe. Basic game processing has been donated by two area companies: Mulberry Creek Processing in Merkel and by Mike & Ed's Smokehouse in Cross Plains, TX. The winner of this package is responsible for transporting the harvested game to and from these processors' places of business. The winner is also responsible for transportation to and from the ranch located approximately 30 miles south of Brownwood, TX. More detailed directions will be provided. Hunter must also provide his own weapon and ammunition of sufficient caliber to safely harvest a white-tail or axis deer and hold a valid Texas Hunting license.

Time is running out to buy a chance to win this great hunting opportunity, so contact an Eula Sales Committee member as soon as possible. For more information, go to www.eulaisd.us/ESC.

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Blackwood Legacy returns to Harvest for Thanksgiving Community Concert

Back again by popular demand, Nashville based "Blackwood Legacy", contemporary Southern Gospel singing group will be featured in a full gospel concert at the annual Harvest Thanksgiving Community Concert at the Clyde First Baptist Church on November 20, 2011 at 6:00 pm. Admission is free, but a love offering will be received to benefit the Clyde Volunteer Fire Department and Laura Logan.

Harvest Coordinators received word just last week from the Clyde VFD that the Department wishes to share all proceeds from the Harvest Program, with Clyde resident Laura Logan, car accident victim who has suffered severe injuries and is undergoing numerous surgeries.

Clyde's Harvest trio, "One Voice", comprised of June Park, Jane Dement, and Pam Loper, along with Abilene's Greg Young will also appear in this annual benefit. Guest musicians for "One Voice" will be Keith Kniffen and Clint Kniffen, as well as Greg Young.

Harvest, a Christian music production, was organized in 2000 with the idea that all proceeds from the annual programs would be given to a worthy cause in the Clyde community or surrounding area.

A lot of time and work goes into each concert with invitations going out to outstanding musicians who are

always willing to go the extra mile to bring fine Christian music to our community. Although Blackwood Legacy is a member of the large Christian music industry, its members are experienced in understanding the needs of small communities such as ours.

One of today's most popular and requested touring groups, the "Blackwood Legacy" is led by Rick Price, a veteran Southern Gospel entertainer with more than 30 years in the industry, including many years as the lead singer for the Grammy and Dove award-winning Blackwood Brothers Quartet, with whom he was inducted into the Gospel Music Hall Of Fame. Joining him are contemporary worship musicians, Luke Yates, an amazing piano player and vocalist, and tenor Daniel Childs, grandson of the late Cecil Blackwood.

This amazing group comes to Clyde directly from Nashville where much of today's Southern and Country Gospel sound originates.

Numerous counties in our state, including Callahan County, have been hit by continuous fires for a long period of time. Our local fire department has responded non-stop to those calls, many times back-to-back. They volunteer their service with the intent to help anyone who is

threatened or endangered. The Clyde Fire Department Fire Chief Billy Dezern, expressed that the Department always needs donations and is very appreciative of any amount of monies raised toward helping the Clyde VFD; however, he said they are always "in the business of helping people".

Dezern expressed the desire of the Clyde Volunteer Fire Department to "help" by sharing proceeds from Harvest with Laura Logan, the young Clyde mother of two who was severely injured in a car accident several weeks ago.

Harvest coordinators would like to express their sincere appreciation to the Clyde VFD for this unselfish request, and thus will share proceeds with Laura Logan as Clyde VFD has suggested. Laura is currently in Hendrick Medical Center and will undergo many surgeries and weeks of rehabilitation to help with her injuries. She is pianist for the Clyde First United Methodist Church and also teaches piano and accompanies ACU voice students.

Everyone be sure to come to the Harvest Thanksgiving Community concert Sunday, November 20th at 6:00 pm for a special time of great music and ministry that will appeal to all ages, and at the same time support two great causes. A reception for everyone will follow the Harvest Concert.

Cross Plains' retail sales in 2011 are 4% higher

The City of Cross Plains' one percent city sales tax payments in 2011 are up by over four percent, according to the Texas State Comptroller's office.

Texas State Comptroller Susan Combs reported the city's sales tax payment on Wednesday, November 9th.

Cross Plains' 2011 sales tax payments for the year totalled \$191,337.77, which is 4.72 percent higher than the \$182,697.37 in sales tax rebate payments collected in 2010.

The payment to the city for November 2011 was \$20,413.03, which is 6.02 percent higher than the payment in November 2010 of \$19,253.54.

Texas Comptroller Susan Combs said today that state sales tax revenue in October was \$1.87 billion, up 15.9 percent compared to October 2010.

"Strong growth in business sectors such as the oil and natural gas industry boosted sales tax revenue for yet another month," Combs said. "State sales tax revenue has now increased for 19 consecutive months. Sales tax also grew in the manufacturing industry, as well as consumer sectors such as the restaurant industry and retail trade."

Combs will send November sales tax allocations totaling \$580.1 million to cities, counties, transit systems and special purpose taxing districts, up 7.1 percent compared to November 2010.

Combs distributed \$388.4 million in November 2011 allocations to Texas cities, which is up 17.1 percent from November 2010 and higher by 5.7 percent year-to-date.

She reported \$35.5 million in November 2011 allocations to Texas counties, which is higher by 13.3 percent compared to November 2010 and higher by 9.9 percent year-to-date.

The Texas transit systems received \$130.2 million in November 2011 sales tax allocations, which is 8.5 percent higher than November 2010 and up 9.4 percent year-to-date.

Special Purpose Taxing Districts received \$26.0 million in November 2011 allocations, which is 15.3 percent higher than November 2010 and higher by 15.3 percent year-to-date.

Total sales tax allocations were \$580.1 million in November 2011, which is 8.1 percent higher than November 2010 and up 7.1 percent year-to-date.

For details of November sales tax payments to individual cities, counties, transit systems and special purpose districts, locate

CROSS PLAINS SALES TAX PAYMENTS		
Total yearly sales tax payments	2010	2011
	\$182,697.37	\$191,337.77
Total monthly sales tax payments	2010	2011
	\$19,253.54	\$20,413.03

the Monthly Sales Tax Allocation Comparison Summary Reports on the Comptroller's Web site at www.window.state.tx.us/taxinfo/allocsum/compsum.html.

Other Callahan County towns reporting sales tax payments include:

—The City of Baird reported that sales tax payments in 2011 started the year 26.57 percent higher than the 2010 payments. The city has received \$123,682.36 in 2011, while the 2010 tax payments to the city totalled \$97,718.14.

Baird's monthly payment for November 2011 was \$12,505.50, which is 14.48 percent ahead of the \$10,923.17 payment made in November 2010.

—The 2011 sales tax payments in the City of Clyde are 13.50 percent higher than the payments made to the city in 2010. The sales tax rebates for the City of Clyde have amounted to \$496,742.20 in 2011. The 2010 payments to the city during the same payment period were \$437,629.55.

The City of Clyde's monthly payment for November 2011 was \$54,386.91, which is 8.16 percent higher than the \$50,283.31 payment reported to the city in November 2010.

—The City of Putnam reported the 2011 payments to the town totalled \$15,408.94, up 24.63 percent from the 2010 payments to the city in the amount of \$12,363.51.

Putnam's tax payment for the month of November 2011 was \$2,022.22, which is 89.89 percent higher than the payment made in November 2010 of \$1,064.89.

Countywide, sales tax payments for 2011 in Callahan County are higher by 13.24 percent compared to the 2010 payments in the county. Callahan County towns received sales tax payments in 2011

amounting to \$827,171.27 while the 2010 payments to the county towns totalled \$730,408.57.

The tax rebates in Callahan County for the month of November 2011 were \$89,327.66, up 9.57 percent from the \$81,524.91 in payments made in November 2010.

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

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

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

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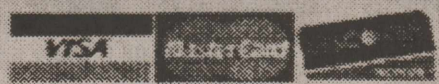
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Texas Farmers and Ranchers travel to Washington amid farm bill talks

BRADY, TEXAS — Agricultural disaster assistance and a workable safety net are on Washington lawmakers' minds after Texas Farm Bureau (TFB) leaders recently traveled to the nation's capital to visit with congressional leaders as they draft farm bill legislation.

"The 2012 Farm Bill is critical to the success of agriculture in Texas," said Dave Edmiston, who serves the western parts of Central Texas as a TFB state director. "While lawmakers work to trim ballooning deficits, farmers and ranchers are concerned they will go too far in cutting programs vital to our nation's food supply."

Edmiston was accompanied by the TFB board of directors led by President Kenneth Dierschke, Vice President Dewey Hukill and Secretary-treasurer Billy Bob Brown.

The group of farmers and ranchers from the Lone Star State spent several days visiting offices on Capitol Hill and expressed concerns over epic drought conditions and unfavorable long-term forecasts.

"This dry year is a perfect example of why American farmers need safety net programs like crop insurance," Edmiston said. "We also understand we have to take our share of cuts and we are ready to do that."

Already, the state has lost an estimated \$5.2 billion in crop, livestock and timber damage from drought and wildfires this year.

TFB leaders met with key

members of the House and Senate agriculture committees as they work to submit a proposal to the Select Committee on Deficit Reduction. That proposal includes \$23 billion in agriculture cuts, including the direct payment program.

"We are trying to make the

best of a bad situation," Edmiston said. "We hope the agricultural leadership in Congress comes up with suitable recommendations for the super committee's consideration. After visiting with several key players, we are cautiously optimistic."

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Military Man Tries To Make Sense Of Things — No one has been able to explain to me why young men and women serve in the U.S. Military for 20 years, risking their lives protecting freedom, and only to get 50% of their pay. While Politicians hold their political positions in the safe confines of the capital, protected by these same men and women, and receive full pay retirement after serving one term. It just does not make any sense to me.

Texas in World War II initiative offers insight into Japanese American Confinement Sites

CRYSTAL CITY, Texas—When the U.S. entered World War II in December 1941, one of several immediate fears was the possibility of enemy agents in the country. As one response, tens of thousands of Japanese Americans were moved away from the West Coast, but a lesser-known response were internment camps operated by the Department of Justice through the U.S. Immigration and Naturalization Service. One such camp in Crystal City, Texas was converted from an existing migratory labor camp to the largest internment facility of its kind in the U.S. and built exclusively for families.

The National Park Service, through the Japanese American Confinement Sites Grant Program, has provided two grants to the Texas Historical Commission (THC)

to help preserve and interpret the history of Japanese American and Enemy Alien internment in Texas during World War II, including the Crystal City site.

The THC and the City of Crystal City in Zavala County will dedicate new interpretive signage and a brochure on the history of Enemy Alien internment at Crystal City at 3:30 p.m. on Nov. 10th at the intersection of E. Holland Street and N. 7th Avenue. The event is free and open to the public. In coming months, the THC will offer new web pages on its website at www.thc.state.tx.us providing more detail on the story of Japanese American confinement sites in Texas. For more information, or to obtain a brochure, contact the THC's History Programs Division at 512.463.5853.

Old Folks and Cowpokes

James Nichols

Bobcats

The bobcat (*Lynx rufus*) is a North American mammal of the cat family Felidae, appearing during the Irvington stage around 1.8 million years ago. With twelve recognized subspecies, it ranges from southern Canada to northern Mexico, including most of the United States. The bobcat is an adaptable predator that inhabits wooded areas, as well as semi-deserts, urban edges, forest edges and swampland environment.

With a gray brown coat, whiskered face and black-tufted ears, the bobcat resembles the other species of the mid-size family. It is smaller than the Canada lynx, which it shares part of its range, but is about twice the size of a large domestic cat. It has distinctive black bars on its forehead and black tipped stubby tail, from which it gets its name.

The bobcat prefers rabbits and hares; it will hunt anything from insects and small rodents to deer. Prey selection depends on location and habits, season and abundance.

Like most cats the bobcat is territorial and largely solitary, although there are some overlaps in home range. It uses several methods in marking its territorial boundaries, including claw marks and deposits of urine. The bobcat breeds from winter into spring and has a gestation period of two months.

The adult bobcat length averages 32 inches from head to the base of its tail and another 3 to 6 inches for the tail. Although bobcats have been hunted, both for sport and fur, their population has proven resilient.

Rising Star Nursing Center

Dona McIntire



Rising Star Enjoys The Halloween Season — Traci Smith-CNA (left to right), Lindsey Shuey-LVN and Toni Moore



Dressed For The Occasion — Belinda May (witch), Julie Buffington (queen of hearts) and Ava Dodd (scarecrow)

Well hello to everyone! The weather has cooled off quite a bit from the extreme heat we have had and it sure is feeling good. If we could just get some more rain we would be doing even better. Sorry, I was bad and didn't get my newsletter in last week's paper so here we go.

Halloween went good and we really appreciated everyone stopping by. We had an enormous amount of kids stop by and the residents loved it. I can't remember just how many residents we had but it was 15-20, so it was a great turnout. The spook house went over really big. It wasn't too scary, but just scary enough.

We had a contest for the employees to dress up and 1st place went to Julie Buffington, 2nd place Ava Dodd as a Scarecrow and 3rd place Belinda May as the Black Witch. Lindsey Shuey LVN at night and the two CNA's Traci and Toni Moore dressed up identically as cats and were really great. Thank you everyone and we will do it again next year.

We decided to have an Ice Cream Social since we did not have any resident birthdays in



Angel Of The Month — Traci Smith gets November's Angel of the Month Award. Congratulations.

October. I don't know when we have had more people for an event. They had ice cream floats and we used both gallons of ice cream. It was really good.

Casino Day and Country Store Day also went well. In fact, it was a record amount of people in both of these, also. Maybe we are just having a great month.

Our Angel of the Month for November is Traci Smith. Traci has been with us for quite a while. She works the night shift and is very well liked by the residents.

Traci lives in the country between Rising Star and Cross Plains with her husband and Yorkie dog. Congratulations to you Traci!

We are gearing up for Thanksgiving and would like to thank Jean McWilliams and the First United Methodist Church of Cross Plains for bringing the Lord's Acre Thanksgiving dinner to our residents. They enjoyed the meal and we can't thank you enough.

So, till next time, may God bless and keep you.

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Callahan County
DPS Report

Calls received by the Callahan County Department of Public Safety from November 5, 2011 through November 11, 2011 include:

Cases Investigated
Warnings—220
Complaints—57
DWI—1
Driving While License Invalid—7
Fugitive Arrest-Possession of Marijuana—1
Possession of Drug Paraphernalia—2

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

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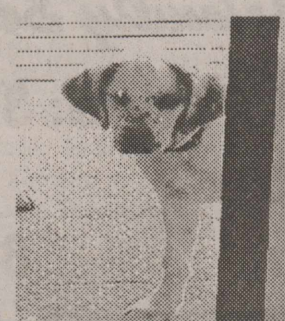
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Thumbelina as a pup

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Texas' First Generation of Veterans

By U.S. Sen. John Cornyn
This week millions of Texans will gather to pay tribute to generations of our bravest Americans — our veterans. These include the youngest generation of veterans, many of whom are only recently returning from service in Afghanistan or Iraq, as well as the millions of veterans who served before them at every major turning point in our state's history.

For Texans, some of our earliest veterans made up the forces that secured our independence from Mexico at the Battle of San Jacinto. In 1836, just weeks after the fall of the Alamo and the Texas Declaration of Independence at Washington-on-the-Brazos, a group of Texas volunteers gathered under the leadership of General Sam Houston. Few of them had military training and most carried their own personal weapons. Yet together, they defeated the much larger army of the Mexican dictator Santa Anna. Their victory brought the freedom and independence that Texans enjoy to this day.

Today, in true Texas fashion, a bigger-than-life monument stands at the site of this historic

battle. The San Jacinto Monument is the tallest monument column in the world — surpassing even the Washington monument by 15 feet and topped by a massive 220-ton Lone Star of Texas. From its observation deck reached by a 489-foot elevator ride—visitors can see the Houston skyline, the Houston Ship Channel and the Battleship Texas. At the base of the monument is the extremely well appointed San Jacinto Museum of History — a must-see for history buffs and any Texans wanting to learn more about our rich culture and predecessors.

This month the San Jacinto Monument will unveil for the first time to the general public a historic wax bust of one of Texas' most iconic veterans and leaders — Sam Houston. The 33-inch-tall wax bust was sculpted by the same hands that fashioned the famous Mount Rushmore National Memorial in South Dakota — sculptor Gutzon Borglum. Although it has been in the museum's collection since 1939, the sculpture has not been put on public display due to its fragile condition. Now,

after a four-month conservation effort by museum staff, the newly stabilized bust will be put on display beginning November 12 as part of the museum's year-long *Making a Mark, Leaving a Legacy* exhibit. In addition to the sculpture, the exhibit will include more than 300 artifacts ranging from 19th century formulations used by Texas pharmacists to diagnose diseases to *Pressler's Map of the State of Texas*, considered one of the state's premier large-scale maps produced in the 19th century. Those interested in seeing the new exhibit can visit www.sanjacintomuseum.org/Visit_Us/Visit_Us_Overview/ for hours and directions.

As we honor the generations of men and women who have fought to defend Texas, our nation and the liberties we cherish today, I am proud of our rich history of independence and success. And I'm reminded of the powerful words of our state song, "God bless you Texas! And keep you brave and strong, That you may grow in power and worth, Thro'out the ages long."

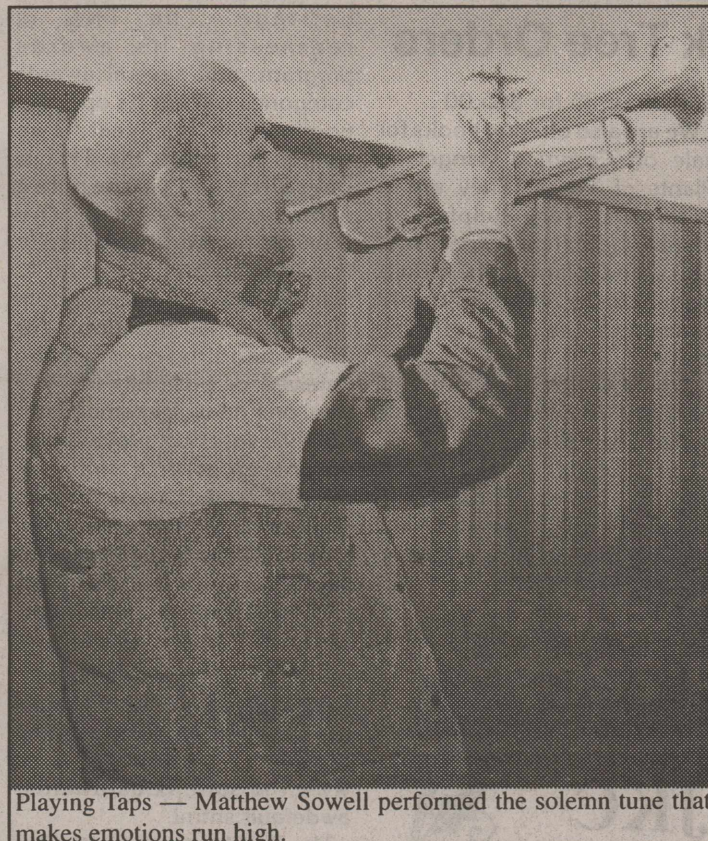
Veterans Day Activities



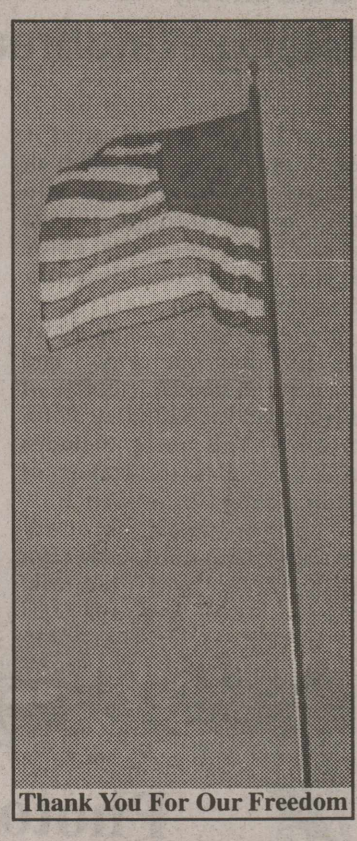
Local Veterans At Veterans Day Celebration — All of those pictured are Post #423 members, except Darby Nichols (bottom, front line).



School Students Participate — Cross Plains Elementary performed several patriotic songs for the special Veterans Day event.



Playing Taps — Matthew Sowell performed the solemn tune that makes emotions run high.



Thank You For Our Freedom

"How Could This Happen?"

Billy Graham's daughter was interviewed on the Early Show and Jane Clayson asked her, "How could God let something like this happen?" (regarding Hurricane Katrina)...Ann Graham gave an extremely profound and insightful response. She said, "I believe God is deeply saddened by this, just as we are, but for years we've been telling God to get out of our schools, to get out of our government and to get out of our lives. And being the gentleman He is, I believe He has calmly backed out. How can we expect God to give us His blessing and His protection if we demand He leave us alone?"

In light of the recent events...terrorists attack, school shootings, etc., I think it started when Madeleine Murray O'Hare (she was murdered, her body

found a few years ago) complained she didn't want prayer in our schools, and we said OK. Then someone said you better not read the Bible in school. The Bible says thou shalt not kill; thou shalt not steal, and love your neighbor as yourself. And we said OK.

Then Dr. Benjamin Spock said we shouldn't spank our children when they misbehave because their little personalities would be warped and we might damage their self-esteem (Dr. Spock's son committed suicide). We said an expert should know what he's talking about. And we said OK.

Now we're asking ourselves why our children have no conscience, why they don't know right from wrong and why it doesn't bother them to kill strangers, their classmates and

themselves.

Probably if we think about it long and hard enough, we can figure it out. I think it has a great deal to do with "WE REAP WHAT WE SOW."

Funny how simple it is for people to trash God and then wonder why the world's going to hell. Funny how we believe what the newspapers say, but question what the Bible says. Funny how you can send "jokes" through e-mail and they spread like wildfire, but when you start sending messages regarding the Lord, people think twice about sharing. Funny how lewd, crude, vulgar and obscene articles pass freely through cyberspace, but public discussion of God is suppressed in the school and workplace.

Are you laughing yet?



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Drought Conditions Uncovering Hidden History

AUSTIN, Texas—As lakes, creeks, and other bodies of water throughout Texas become more shallow because of persistent drought conditions, historic items, including remains, are being exposed, presenting a real concern for archeologists and historians.

Archeologists with the Texas Historical Commission (THC) are reminding people such artifacts are protected by law and there are penalties for taking them from their natural environs. Any significant find should be reported to authorities as well as the THC's Archeology Division, which monitors the protection of archeological landmarks.

Archeologists this summer have recovered the remains of several bodies buried on a half-acre site in Navarro County after waters began receding in the Richland-Chambers Reservoir. The remains are believed to be part of a 19th-century slave cemetery. THC archeologists are working with the Tarrant Regional Water District to protect the remains. What is believed to be a prehistoric skull was recently discovered by fishermen in Lake Georgetown in Central

Texas. Police were notified and anthropologists who are now studying the skull believe it could be thousands of years old.

In addition to artifacts on public lands, the State Marine Archeologist is responsible for the protection, preservation, and investigation of historic shipwrecks in all state-owned waters of Texas. Coastal

storms, hurricanes, and receding creek, river, and lake levels can expose historic shipwreck sites. Numerous shipwrecks have been reported in and around the Texas coast, while the rivers and streams of Texas, which served as vital transportation routes for supplies, now contain the remains of many of the vessels that once used them. THC archeologists stress that

objects found as part of a shipwreck, as well as the wreck itself, have meaning through association and context and once removed from water begin degrading rapidly. When artifacts are removed without being properly recorded, valuable information is lost forever.

For more information, contact the THC's Archeology Division at 512.463.6096.

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“Food For Fines” Continues at Cross Plains Public Library

Do you have an overdue book fine at the Cross Plains Public Library? Pay your fine, earn \$\$ for the library and help out those in need in your community all at the same time by paying your fine in canned goods. Each item of non-perishable food brought to the library is good for \$1 toward your fine. Thanks to the Trull Foundation, the library will be reimbursed with dollars for the amount of each fine collected with

food. The pantry is in need of canned goods and staples, but all items are accepted. Of course, if you don't have any fines, you can still bring your non-perishable items to the library and help this worthy cause.

In October we collected 84.5 lbs. of food, representing \$56.75 in fines. November's featured items needed at the pantry are **black-eyed peas and canned tuna.**

Callahan Divide SWCD now taking Windbreak Tree Orders

The Callahan Divide Soil & Water Conservation District is once again offering windbreak trees to individuals and landowners throughout the area. Our seedlings come from the Texas Forestry Service in Idalou.

In the evergreen category we have Afghanistan Pine and Eastern Redcedar. Each of these are 5 for \$20.00 or 30 for \$105.00. This price includes tree protectors and stakes for your planting convenience.

The hardwood category includes Shumard Oak, Bur Oak, Pecan and Flameleaf Sumac. These trees sell 5 for

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We are also offering books for sale on Common Rangeland Plants of Texas. They are in color and very helpful for identifying different species of grass and plants. The books are \$20.00 each and are available in the NRCS office in Baird.

Orders will be accepted until January 28, 2011. Expected delivery is February 10, 2012

For further information contact Genea Menke 325-854-1349, ext. 3 or go by the NRCS office in Baird, located at 141 W. 4th Suite B.

Nominate a Special Person or Place for Recognition by the Texas Historical Commission

AUSTIN, Texas—The Texas Historical Commission (THC) offers awards to recognize worthy accomplishments and exemplary leadership in the preservation of Texas' heritage. The THC is reassessing its awards program, and several awards categories will not be open for nominations this year. Two awards for which the THC is currently accepting nominations are the Governor's Award for Historic Preservation and the John L. Nau, III Award of Excellence in Museums. Nominations for 2011 candidates must be received or postmarked by 5 p.m. on Friday, December 9th.

A wide variety of projects and volunteer efforts may be recognized through the Governor's Award. The John L. Nau, III Award recognizes an individual in the museum field for significant achievement. Anyone may submit a nomination in accordance with the guidelines presented below each award as listed on the THC website at www.thc.state.tx.us/awards/awdefault.shtml.

The THC's most prestigious award, the Governor's Award for Historic Preservation, is presented in a special ceremony arranged with the staff of the Governor's Office. The John L. Nau, III Award of Excellence in Museums will be presented at the facility which earns the distinction.

The THC will also continue to offer its Award of Merit, which recognizes the efforts and contributions of a group or individual involved in preserving Texas' cultural and historic resources. Nominations for the Award of Merit can be submitted any time during the year. For more information, contact the THC's History Programs Division at 512.463.5853.

Cisco Holiday Market

Don't miss this year's Cisco Holiday Market, November 19th and 20th at the Myrtle Wilks Community Center located at 1498 IH 20 West.

The Market will feature over 40 vendors and will be open from 9:00am - 5:00pm on Saturday and 11:00am - 4:00pm on Sunday.

Admission is \$2 for adults, children 12 and under are free.

The Market is presented by the Cisco Chamber of Commerce.



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NOVEMBER 24

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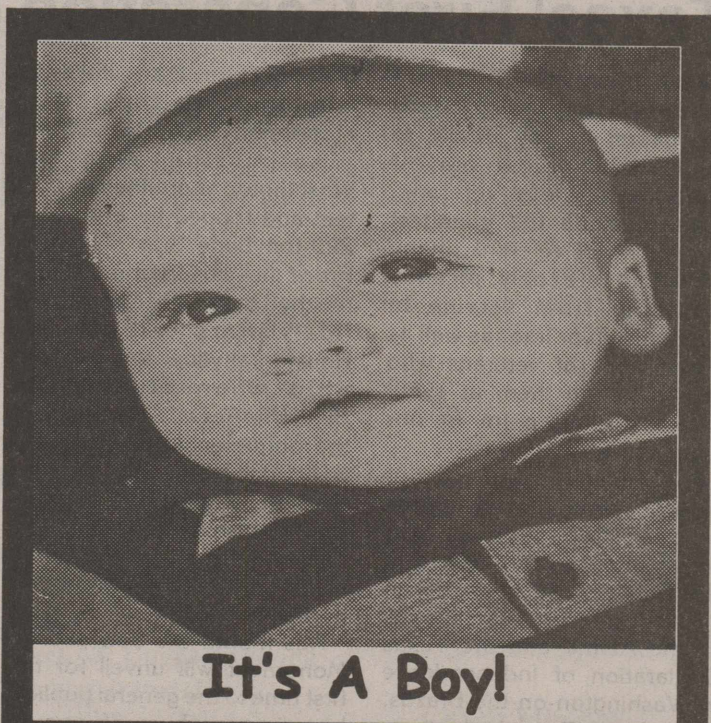
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It's A Boy!

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8 pounds 14 ounces
20 inches long

He was welcomed by two older siblings Jayten & Lindsey Ames of Cross Plains. Proud Grandparents are Sara McGowen and the late David McGowen of Rising Star, TX and Tom & Sharon Ames of Pioneer, TX. Great Grandmother, Charlene McGowen of Brownwood, TX. He is also blessed with many wonderful Aunts, Uncles and Cousins.

Cross Plains Remembered— More Books Available NOW

Another 500 copies of *Cross Plains Remembered*, the photo memory book prepared by the Barbarian Festival Committee have arrived from the printer. If you've been waiting to purchase a book or to get books for your family members, plenty of books are available now. You can get them at Texas Heritage Bank, The Senior Center, Cross Plains Public Library, Salamander's or the *Cross Plains Review*.

Books will also be available at the Hunter's Feed and at the Holiday Market at ResourceCare on Saturday, November 5th and in front of Super S. Foods on Friday, November 11.

You can have your book mailed to you. Send \$20 plus \$4.50 shipping to Barbarian Festival

Committee, P.O. Box 74 1, Cross Plains, TX 7443.

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