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Cross Plains Public Library Receives \$2500 Grant to Participate in the National Endowment for the Arts "The Big Read"

When was the last time you discussed a book with someone you had never met before? Or joined your neighbors in a community-wide read-a-thon? Between September 2012 and June 2013, 78 communities across the country will spend a month immersed in a great work of literature, as part of the seventh year of The Big Read.

The Big Read is an initiative of the National Endowment for the Arts designed to restore reading to the center of American culture. Seventy-eight not-for-profit organizations will receive grants totaling \$1 million to host a Big Read project as part of the 2012-2013 program. The Big Read is managed by Arts Midwest.

Cross Plains Public Library is one of four Texas libraries chosen to participate this year. "We are so excited to receive this grant," said Library Director, Linda Burns. "As a library, we are continually promoting reading and The Big Read will enable us to reach out to 'fallen-away' readers and rekindle their love of books through a variety of events that are planned."

Our community will celebrate "Everything Poe" month in October 2012, featuring "Great Tales and Poems of Edgar Allan Poe." The annual murder mystery theatre, "Murder at the 'Meet the Author,'" on September 29, is billed as our "Pre-Carnage" event. Then on October 1st the library will have a ribbon-cutting ceremony re-naming it the Cross Plains POE-blic Library and proclaiming the month of October as "Everything Poe" month.

Already, many organizations are making plans to participate. The Cross Plains Senior Citizens' Center will host Monday Morning Movie features with free large-print books of Edgar Allan Poe's noted works and free refreshments for all attendees. The Cross Plains Area Genealogy

Society is hosting "Dig Up the Skeletons In Your Closet" at their monthly meeting and will identify ancestors who were "writers, detectives, alleged ghosts, victims of foul play, or otherwise mysterious folks" (guests are invited to attend).

The library will be featuring "The Gold Bug," "Bunnica Meets Edgar Allan Crow," and "Edgar, Allan, and Poe, and the Tell-Tale Beets" for the children. Author Mark Finn will travel to Cross Plains to present his view of "Robert E. Howard as Cross Plains' Edgar Allan Poe," as well as host an event in his theater in Vernon, Texas. There will be poetry readings and book discussions and several contests. Many of these events will be highlighted in upcoming weeks and a calendar of all public events will be available in September.

The Big Read provides communities nationwide with the opportunity to read, discuss, and celebrate one of 31 selections from U.S. and world literature, such as *In the Time of the Butterflies* by Julia Alvarez, *Fahrenheit 451* by Ray Bradbury, *The Great Gatsby* by F. Scott Fitzgerald, *A Lesson Before Dying* by Ernest Gaines, *The Things They Carried* by Tim O'Brien, and the poetry of Emily Dickinson.

Among the organizations receiving a Big Read grant are arts councils, boys and girls clubs, libraries, public broadcasting stations, theater companies, and universities, among others. The selected organizations will receive Big Read grants ranging from \$2,500 to \$20,000 to promote and carry out community-based programs. Among these 78 organizations, 28 are first-time Big Read grantees, including Cross Plains.

NEA Chairman Rocco Landesman said, "At the NEA we know that the arts can help to create strong, vibrant

communities by bringing people together. Through The Big Read, these 78 organizations are giving their communities the opportunity to share both great works of literature and memorable experiences."

Ira Silverberg, the NEA's Director of Literature, said, "Whether you're reading a used paperback or a downloaded novel on an e-reader, nothing can beat the experience of getting lost in a good book. I look forward to seeing the creative ways these 78 organizations will use The Big Read to promote reading within their communities."

Participating communities also receive high-quality, free-of-charge educational materials to supplement each title, which also are available for download on neabigread.org. Reader's Guides include author biographies, historical context for the book, and discussion questions. Teacher's Guides are developed with the National Council of Teachers of English and State Language Arts standards in mind and include lesson plans, essay topics, and classroom handouts. The Big Read Audio Guides feature readings from the novel along with commentary from renowned artists, educators, and public figures such as Michael Chabon and Ed Harris, and Big Read authors such as Ray Bradbury and Amy Tan.

Each community's Big Read includes a kick-off event to launch the program; activities devoted specifically to its Big Read book or poet (e.g., panel discussions, lectures, public readings); events using the selection as a point of departure (e.g., film screenings, theatrical readings, exhibits); and book discussions in diverse locations aimed at a wide range of audiences.

For more information about The Big Read please visit neabigread.org.

Cross Plains Middle School Awarded NASA "Summer of Innovation" Grant

NASA has just announced the awards for its "Summer of Innovation" Mini-Grant Program and Cross Plains 7th and 8th graders are among the winners. The school will receive \$2,500 for the students to design-build-launch their own ammonium perchlorate composite propelled rockets under the watchful eyes of science teacher Rhonda Kelley and rocket expert Pat Gordzelik.

The NASA Summer of Innovation (SoI) program is designed to support student interest in science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM) by strengthening the capacity of organizations or schools that inspire and engage female, minority or high poverty middle school students in STEM content.

The SoI focuses on organizations that provide student experiences during the summer and through extended learning efforts designed to keep students involved in NASA-themed STEM activities during the academic year.

Cross Plains Public Library board member Judy Luter

discovered the grant opportunity and passed it to grants administrator, Michelle Kaiser, who contacted superintendent Phil Mitchell and then principal Diana Dobbins to see if it would be possible to have the kids participate in a large project that would involve classroom and after school curriculum.

After receiving the go-ahead, library board member Colburn Tucker, of SolaRise US, worked on a plan to have the students study solar and wind energy. Unfortunately, it is not possible to take a tour of a wind farm, so an alternate plan was made. Thanks to Pat Gordzelik, who agreed to be "Principal Investigator" for a rocketry project, the grant was able to be completed.

"This was not my best work," said Kaiser about the grant proposal, "as I had less than 24 hours to scrap the original proposal (for solar and wind energy) and write a new one (for rocketry). Then I had to put together a budget without knowing the cost of fuel or

rocket-building materials. I think I made up for my "sketchy" budget by stressing the far-reaching effects this project would have on our students. But, this project would never have happened if it wasn't for the cooperation between Colburn (Tucker), Pat (Gordzelik) and Ms. Dobbins to see that the children got the chance for this learning experience."

Principal Dobbins added, "We are very excited about this opportunity for our students to see applications of science concepts. This type of hands-on learning is key to students being able to fully understand what they are being taught in the classroom. Cross Plains I.S.D. appreciates the efforts of Ms. Kaiser and Mr. Gordzelik in acquiring this grant and allowing our students to have this wonderful opportunity."

Students will begin their project shortly after school starts and will launch their rockets in November. The public will be invited to attend the launch.

Submitted by
Linda Burns

Cross Plains Little League Meeting Tuesday, July 24th

The Cross Plains Little League will be holding a meeting Tuesday, July 24th at 7:00 p.m. in the First Baptist Church Family Life Center.

All sports will be discussed. Policy changes will be voted on. If you would like to have a say in the future of Cross Plains Little

League, you need to be at this meeting! For more information, call Scott Byrd 325-669-4917.

In Texas???

Did you know that the last battle of the Civil War was fought in Texas?

Thursday, August 2, you can learn all about it at the Cross Plains Public Library. William A. McWhorter, Military Historian who directs the Texas Historical Commission's Civil War History initiatives, will speak about the Palmito Ranch Battlefield Historic Landmark. The Palmito Ranch Battle was fought May 12-13, 1865.

The Callahan County Historical Commission, The Texas Historical Commission and the

Cross Plains Public Library invite you to learn all about this little known piece of Texas history. McWhorter will be joined by Margaret Hoogstra, Executive Director of the Texas Forts Trail Program, who will tell us what role the forts in this region played in the Civil War. At 6:00 p.m. the Callahan County Historical Commission will hold a business meeting and McWhorter will begin his talk at 7:00 p.m. The public is invited to attend the meeting at 6:00 and/or join the discussion with McWhorter and Hoogstra at 7:00 p.m.

3 Day Revival Planned at Hwy 206 Baptist Church

The Highway 206 Baptist Church will be holding a Revival beginning Thursday, July 19th through Saturday, July 21st. Services will begin at 7:00 p.m.

Ed Walters, pastor of Highway 206 Baptist Church, will be delivering the message nightly.

Everyone is cordially invited to attend. The church is located at 908 Main Street (just north of the Cross Plains Elementary School).

Cross Plains High School Homecoming 2012 Class Meetings Announced

Classes of 1947 and 1953 - Family Life Center at First Baptist Church Will be open all day for other classes to drop in for a visit. Neil and Jo Veda Bush

Class of 1970 - Treadway Park Under Shade Trees Leslie and Charlou Cowan

Class of 1991 - High School Room #108 Roger and Michelle Rudloff

Class of 1999 - Home of Denise and Tim Coulter 12631 FM 880 East, Cross Plains Jessica Taff

Class of 2000 - First Baptist Church Playground Jodi (Payne) Goode

If you would like to announce your class meeting, please call the Cross Plains Review at 254-725-6111 or e-mail crossplainsreview@earthlink.net

Old photos are needed to print prior to the big event. Help get everyone excited about attending.

Local Business to Host Benefit for the Cross Plains Senior Citizens Center

J's Art and Soul has transformed the old Methodist Church Building into a showplace that rivals any city gallery, and yet you experience the friendliness that can only be truly experienced in rural Texas.

August 11, 2012, everyone is invited to J's Art and Soul as they feature the talents of local artists. There will be paintings, jewelry, knives, spurs, photography, just as a sample of the extraordinary items.

The Cross Plains area is blessed with many gifted people who we often overlook or may not even be aware of.

In addition, to the art show, a silent auction will be held and all proceeds will benefit the Senior Citizens Center. The auction items will be donations from local businesses and individuals, so there will be something for everyone.

Mark your calendars and watch the *Cross Plains Review* each week for additional information.

Nimrod Baptist Church Revival Meeting July 22-25

The Nimrod Baptist Church will hold a revival meeting Sunday, July 22, through Wednesday, July 25th at 7:00 p.m. Brother Lyndon Longoria from the Strength for Today Ministries of Deridder, LA will deliver the message. His lovely wife, Carrie, will lead the

music. For ore information, contact Bro. Bill Armstrong at 254-725-6128 or Glenda Shawver 254-725-6561. Nimrod Baptist Church is located at the junction of FM 2526 and FM 569, SW of Cisco.

Cross Plains Chamber of Commerce Banquet Tickets on Sale

Cross Plains Chamber of Commerce Annual Banquet is slated for Thursday, July 26th at 6:30 p.m. at the First United Methodist Church Fellowship Hall. Tickets are \$15 each and are only available at the Chamber Office, Bagley Insurance, City Hall or Chamber Board members.

The meal will be catered by Mexico City Cafe and features a steak dinner.

Randy Turner, KTAB's meteorologist, will be the guest speaker.

Deadline to purchase tickets is July 23, 2012. For more information, call the local chamber at 254-725-7251.

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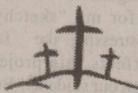
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Rowden Baptist Church

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Sunday Morning Worship...11:00 am

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Pastor:

Music Director:

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

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Obituaries

Virginia Lee Miller

Virginia Lee Miller, 70, of Brownwood, died Wednesday evening, July 11, 2012 at her home.

Services were held at 10 a.m. Saturday, July 14, 2012, in the Heartland Funeral Home Chapel with the Rev. Wayne Lewis officiating. Burial followed in the Eastlawn Memorial Park.

She was born December 30, 1941, in Brownwood, the daughter of the late Clarence Leon and Mildred Kelly Lewis. She graduated from the Early High School in 1960. She retired from 3-M after working for 25 years and later worked as a caregiver for South Park Development Center. She was a Baptist and had lived in Brown County all of her life.

She will be remembered as a loving mother, grandmother and sister.

Survivors include two daughters, Donna Harper and husband John, and Terrie Willingham-Cornelius, both of Brownwood; a son, Roger Cornelius and wife Rebecca of Brownwood; eight grandchildren Chelrye Cornelious, Tana Herbert, Chase Harper, Jessica Nikolauk, Destiny Harper, Zanden Bible, Ryan Harper and Karly Harper; four great-grandchildren Kynleigh Cornelious, Garrison Nikolauk, Riley Nikolauk, Madison Harper; three sisters Viola Bruton of Odessa, Frances Dalleh and husband Nasheed of Brownwood and Linda Golson and husband Bob of Cross Plains; a brother, Wayne Lewis and wife Shirley of Comanche; and several nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents and a grandson, Michael Cornelius.

Rebecca Guill

Memorial services for Rebecca Guill, 61, of Brownwood, were held at 3 p.m. on Wednesday, July 11, 2012, at the Haven of Hope Church in Brownwood, with Pastor Brian Hall officiating. Services were under the direction of Netherton Funeral Home and Cremations.

Ms. Guill passed away on Saturday, July 7, 2012, at Brownwood Regional Medical Center.

Rebecca Jo Guill was born on February 20, 1951, in Colorado City, Texas to Robert Wayne Reeves and Irma Jean Edwards Reeves. She graduated from Comanche High School and had worked as an aide for the handicapped. Becky had always been a dog lover and had lived for her family and the Lord. She was a member of the Haven of Hope Church and had lived in Brownwood since 1997, moving there from Cross plains.

Those left behind to cherish her memory are her daughter, Tammy Brown and husband Gary of Brownwood; grandchildren, Chelsea Garcia and husband Joshua, Hannah Brown and Jordan Brown, all of Brownwood; two brothers, Bobby Reeves of Brooksmith and Eddie Reeves of Brownwood; nieces and nephews, Eddie, Gina, Lynn, Roy Lee and Lance; her sister-in-law Debbie Sautler and her beloved black lab Jasmine.

She was preceded in death by her parents; and one brother Robin Reeves.

Friends and family members are invited to sign the online guest book at www.nethertonfuneralhome.com.

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Callahan County Library News

New Books at the Library are: The Lost Years by Mary Higgins Clark, What Doesn't Kill You by Iris Johansen, The Witness by Nora Roberts and Crystal Gardens by Amanda Quick. From the Cookbook drive: Kitchen Auditions: a cookbook for bands and cheering squads, Kitchen Patrol by the 3rd Marine Division Association, Extra Ordinary Foods for the Every Day Kitchen by Lori Kornblum, and Large Print Cookbook by M. G. Kunke.

From the Past Callahan County Clarendon Saturday, July 30, 1881 Vol. 2, No. 17

For years the country has not been so dry as it is now. At this place the Clear Fork has ceased to run, the water standing in holes. Double Mountain Fork and Salt Fork of the Brazos are the same while nearly all the small streams are entirely dry. Cattle men are at their wit's end, trying to devise means by which they can obtain water for their stock, which is suffering for water. A few have died for the want of it and many more may go the same way. We are

told there is more dry surface in the main Brazos than the surface covered with water. F

Fort Griffin Echo Sitting Bull Surrenders

St. Paul, Minn. July 20- The pioneer Press has the following from Fort Burford, dated the 20th: Sitting Bull and about 200 Indian people arrived at p exactly twelve o'clock today, and surrendered their arms and ponies to Major Brotherton. No speeches have yet been made, as Sitting Bull and his orators are fatigued and hungry. They were placed in compartments between the post and boat landing, and are as secure in Major Brotherton's charge as if they were in irons.

Seventeen families from Indiana have located together in Shackelford County,

Hurrah for our school, only two months old and forty scholars in regular attendance. Another well in town. Mr. John Rice is the owner - eight feet clear and plenty of water. The train No. 1 which is due here daily at 10 o'clock A. M. was late this week, owing to fire in bridge near Sulphur River.

Courthouse News

Callahan County Court Roger Corn, presiding

Misdemeanor Filings

Joe R. Brown, Jr., theft by check.

Campbell G. Nichols, theft by check.

Kenneth D. Micheal, driving while intoxicated - 1st (DWI).

Jo Lee Williams, theft by check.

Tiffany Voights, theft by check.

Darrell L. Sasser, theft by check.

Robert L. Stanton, theft by check.

Amanda Hernandez, DWI.

Shawn Q. Newburn, possession of dangerous drug.

Stephen Zarcone, possession of dangerous drug.

Christopher Allen Walden, DWI.

Misdemeanor Minutes

Clifton Boyd Lindsey, motion to dismiss motion to revoke probation granted.

Isaac R. Hernandez, motion to revoke probation granted.

Jeremiah S. Brown, plea of guilty to DWI, 1 year probation, \$500 fine, \$424 court costs.

Jimmy D. Oliver, plea of guilty to possession of marijuana, 30 days in jail, \$424 court costs.

Travis D. Wheeler, plea of guilty to driving while license invalid, 3 days in jail, \$100 fine, \$264 court costs.

Brian K. Patton, plea of guilty to assault - family violence, 1 year probation, \$250 fine, \$264 court costs.

Marriage Licenses

Benjamin Seth Fortune and Brittany Nicole Wood, both of Cross Plains.

Jeremy Justin Oden and Tiffany Leann Bell, both of Sweetwater.

42nd District Court John Weeks, presiding

Civil Filings

State of Texas vs. Jeffrey Connally, application for writ of habeas corpus seeking bail reduction.

Shandi Nicole Salas vs. Philip Zane Salas, divorce.

Civil Minutes

Mitzi M. Stanton and Robert L. Stanton, divorce granted.

Criminal Minutes

Francisco Javier Orozco, Jr., plea of guilty to burglary of habitation, 5 year probation, \$1000 fine, \$339 court costs.

Boyd E. Sybesma, plea of guilty to possession of a controlled substance, 4 year probation, \$1000 fine, \$254 court costs, \$140 restitution.

Kimberlee New, plea of guilty to forgery, 4 year probation, \$750 fine, \$339 court costs, \$546 restitution.

Samantha D. Damron, plea of guilty to possession of a controlled substance with intent to deliver, 6 year probation, \$1000 fine, \$334 court costs.



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TxDMV Releases New General-Issue Plate

What's black and white and read all over?

"The Texas Classic," the new general-issue license plate released by the Texas Department of Motor Vehicles (TxDMV). The Texas Classic is white with black lettering, and features the Texas star, state silhouette, and "The Lone Star State" slogan. It also comes with a new security feature.

The TxDMV is currently shipping the Texas Classic plates to the state's 254 county tax offices. But don't rush out to get it. To save taxpayer money and avoid waste, counties must first exhaust their inventory of the current general-issue plate before issuing the new one.

For the fashion conscious, the black and white plate's classic design will go with any color car or light truck. If you think of yourself as a little retro, then this plate is sure to match your taste. And if you just want a simple, fast-to-read license plate, this is the one for you.

While the TxDMV does not expect any license plate design to please everyone. The Texas Classic offers something for all Texans' public safety.

"The TxDMV Board unanimously approved this plate design because it meets high standards for public safety, and his is our first priority," said TxDMV Board Chairman Victor Vandergriff.

"The majority of the almost 22

million registered vehicles in Texas display the general-issue plate," Vandergriff added. "The Texas Classic plate design isn't colorful like some of the specialty plates or the current general-issue plate, but it is a purposeful license plate that is supported by law enforcement."

The Texas Classic includes:
*Two new, high-visibility security threads embedded into the license plate sheeting join the existing holograms. Texas is the first state in the country to provide dual security threads, making it easier for law enforcement to spot legitimate plates.

*Bigger plate numbers. The plate letters and numbers are a full inch wide and just over 2 1/2 - inches tall.

*A new license plate pattern. Plates will be issued with three letters followed by four numbers. By keeping the letters and numbers separate in the alpha-numeric pattern, the seven-character license plate number is easier to remember. This is convenient for plate owners, and also provides better recall for law enforcement and citizen witnesses.

The TxDMV believes many Texans will embrace The Texas Classic. The top-selling license plate design for the state's specialty plate marketing vendor. My Plates, is a black and white design.

Texans who prefer to have a

different plate design may choose from a variety of specialty license plates available from the TxDMV or My Plates. Currently, there are about 1/2 million Texas vehicles with specialty license plates. Specialty plates have the advantage of personalization, which is not available on the general-issue license plate.

Those who like the current multi-colored, general-issue plate can keep those plates until they are due for mandatory replacement. All state license plates are replaced every seven years due to a loss in reflectivity.

More information on license plates, including The Texas Classic, is available at www.TxDMV.gov.

The Texas Department of Motor Vehicles (TxDMV) is charged with overseeing the state's motor vehicle services that provide consumer protection, assist motor vehicle-related businesses and raise revenue for the state. For every \$1 it spends, the TxDMV returns \$10 to build and maintain highways, roads and bridges and provide needed services to Texans. Each year the agency registers almost 22 million vehicles, regulate vehicle dealers; credentials buses and big trucks for intrastate and interstate commerce; issues oversize and overweight permits; and awards grants to law enforcement agencies to reduce vehicle burglaries and thefts. Learn more at www.TxDMS.gov.

Library Notes

Library Hours

Monday 1 p.m. - 5 p.m.
Tuesday 11 a.m. - 7 p.m.
Wednesday 1 p.m. - 5 p.m.
Thursday 1 p.m. - 5 p.m.
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July 9-12, 2012

Patrons	218
Books Checked Out	138
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Helen Parson

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

Brisket Orders are Being Taken Now

The Cross Plains Public Library is taking orders for 10-12 pound fully cooked briskets for Labor Day weekend at \$50.00 each.

If you would like to order a delicious brisket, smoked to perfection by local cooks, please call the library at 254-725-7722 by Thursday, August 23.

Orders will be available for pickup on Friday, August 31.

Submitted by Michelle Kaiser

Helping Hearts and Hands—Apply for Help

If you are a homeowner and your home is in need of minor repairs: painting, plumbing, insulation and caulking, the Cross Plains Area Housing Initiative would like to extend a hand to assist you.

Free assistance is available to homeowners who are elderly, handicapped and/or low income. Applications are available now at the Senior Citizens Center, Texas Heritage Bank and City Hall.

The application deadline will be at the end of September. If you need any assistance in filling out the application, please call Pat Stephens at 254-725-6819.

This is a worthwhile community project that has been active since 1998. Volunteers will be needed once again to complete these projects, so be looking for a date to be set in the fall of this year.

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

Submitted by Pat Stephens

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Cross Plains Remembered Volume 2 Available NOW

Cross Plains Remembered Volume 2, the second Cross Plains Remembered book is on the stands and available now at Texas Heritage Bank, the Senior Center, Salamander's, Lawrence Farm and Ranch Supply, Cross Plains Review, Cross Plains Library or Connie's Cuts and Curls. The book is \$20.

The new book features more photos, other material gathered at the scanning events at the Senior Center this spring. In fact, so much material came in during those scanning events that it wouldn't all fit into Volume 2. Rather than condense the histories and not use some of the photographs, the material has been divided into two books. So a third book, Cross Plains Remembered Volume 3 will be available in late August.

Family histories and photos, school photos, photos of Burkett, Pioneer and surrounding areas, Veterans photos and lots of others are in the Cross Plains Remembered Volume 2.

To order a copy of Cross Plains Remembered Volume 2 or Volume 1, send \$20, plus \$4.50 shipping to:

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Cross Plains, TX 76443.

We will send one out to you. Just specify which book you'd like us to send. If you'd like one of each or two of Volume 1 or 2, send \$6 shipping instead of \$4.50.

Submitted by Teri Brown

To Guarantee Publishing In The Current Week's Paper, PLEASE Have Articles In By 2 p.m. Monday and Ads By Noon On Tuesday Of That Week

SENIOR CITIZEN CENTER ACTIVITIES:

WEEKLY ACTIVITIES

Monday, 23th - Exercise 11 a.m.
Tuesday, 24th - Exercise 11 a.m./ BINGO
Wednesday, 25th - Exercise 11 a.m.
Thursday, 26th - Exercise 11 a.m./ ZUMBA
Friday, 27th - Exercise 11 a.m.

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

Do you have any talents that you would like to share? Call the Senior Citizens Center at 254-725-6521 so you can share your talent with the Seniors during lunch time.

SENIOR CITIZENS MENU

JULY 23 - JULY 27

MONDAY- Ham Sandwich Cheese, Let/Tom Chips/friut/drink
TUESDAY- Soft Tacos/Spanish rice
Pinto Beans/Fruit/Drink-
WEDNESDAY -Chili Beans
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Combread/Dessert/Drink
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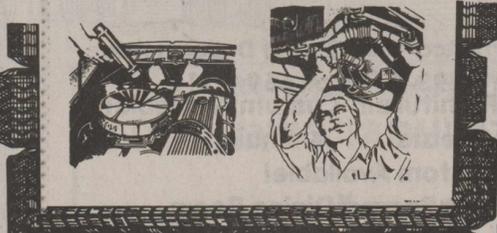
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Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo officials traveled to Corpus Christi, Wednesday, July 11th, to award 70 Texas FFA students with four-year, \$16,000 college scholarships totaling \$1.12 million during the 84th Texas FFA Convention.

The first Show scholarship was presented in 1957 to an FFA student from Bellaire High School in Houston. Since then, the Show has awarded more than 2,100 scholarships to Texas FFA members, totaling more than \$20 million.

Recipients are reviewed by an evaluation committee consisting of agricultural science teachers representing the 10 FFA areas in Texas, chosen by Texas FFA officials. Awards are given based on the criteria of academic ability, FFA involvement and

achievement, financial need and leadership.

The 2012 FFA scholarship recipients included Zoie Walker of Cross Plains. She is the daughter of Colby and Darcie Walker.

The Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo is a Section 501 (c)(3) charity that benefits youth, supports education, and facilitates better agricultural practices through exhibitions and presentation. Since its beginning in 1932, the Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo has committed approximately \$283 million to youth of Texas.

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Kala works part-time for International Student Exchange, a non-profit high school exchange program. One of her many responsibilities are to match

international students with volunteer host families. A good match can lead to an unbelievably enriching experience for both the family and the student, an experience that stays with them long after the student returns home to their home country.

As a true advocate of the student exchange program, Kala is currently searching for host families for the upcoming school year. She whole-heartedly believes in the International Student Exchange concept of bridging today's youth for a better tomorrow. Each student/family placement not only

enriches the lives of our families, but also touches the lives of many members of our communities.

As the King family prepares for their students, Kala reports that host family opportunities are still available for families in her area for this upcoming fall. For more information on hosting a student with International Student Exchange, call Jodi Sharshel, Regional Manager at 1-855-242-9861 or call Kala directly at 817-304-4978. You can also visit our national website at www.iseusa.com. Embrace the life of an international teen. Call for more information today!

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School Board Minutes

July 12, 2012

The Cross Plains I.S.D. Board of Trustees met in a regular meeting with the following members present: Jack Shepard, Tommy Ames, Davy Crockett, John McWilliams, Michael Cowan and Bryan Bennett.

The following administrators and guests were also in attendance: High School Principal and Elementary Principal.

The prayer was led by Davy Crockett.

Motion was made by Bennett and seconded by Shepard that the minutes be accepted. For 6 Against 0

Motion was made by Cowan and seconded by McWilliams to review the Student Handbook/ approve Code of Conduct with updates for 2012-2013. For 6 Against 0

Motion was made by McWilliams and seconded by Shepard that Cross Plains I.S.D. Employees Handbook is approved for 2012-2013. For 6 Against 0

Motion was made by Shepard and seconded by Bennett to

approve Borden to supply the milk for Cross Plains I.S.D. for 2012-2013. For 6 Against 0

Motion was made by Bennett and seconded by Cowan to accept Cross Plains Petroleum's bid for fuel for 2012-2013. For 6 Against 0

Motion was made by Cowan and seconded by McWilliams that C.P.I.S.D. join TASB Risk Management Interlocal Agreement. For 6 Against 0

Motion was made by McWilliams and seconded by Shepard to accept the resignation of Roy Richey, Stefanie Forbus and Rhonda Hinten Atchley. For 6 Against 0

Motion was made by Cowan and seconded by McWilliams to approve Janna Austin for employment for a 1 year Probationary Teacher Contract. For 6 Against 0

Motion was made by Bennett and seconded by Cowan to approve Casie Morgan for employment for a 1 year Probationary Teacher Contract. For 6 Against 0

Motion was made by Cowan and seconded by Shepard to adjourn. For 6 Against 0

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Food Banks Strongly Oppose Farm Bill SNAP Cuts

Austin - The Texas Food Bank Network joined anti-hunger organizations in D.C. and across the nation Tuesday in condemning \$16.5 billion in proposed cuts to the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP, aka food stamps). A farm bill now under consideration by the House of Representatives would eliminate benefits for up to 302,800 Texans - primarily children, the elderly and the infirm.

"These are real cuts with real consequences for hungry families," said Celia Cole, CEO of the Texas Food Bank Network. "It is outrageous that

Congress is considering cutting a program that has nothing to do with deficit reduction, and everything to do with keeping Texans healthy and productive."

The proposed cuts include a \$11.5 billion change to program rules that would prevent Texas from setting its own asset limits for SNAP recipients. In 2001, the Texas Legislature moved to adopt new limits that encouraged recipients to develop and keep assets, such as savings accounts and reliable vehicles so they could more easily transition off the SNAP rolls and into self-sufficiency.

"We want food insecure families to develop their own personal safety nets, so they don't have to rely on SNAP as often or for as long. This short-sighted change would undo a decade of progress in Texas towards that goal," said Cole.

Children make up more than half the SNAP caseload in Texas. The estimated impact of the proposed cuts on individual counties can be found at J.mp/House_SNAP_Cuts.

The Texas Food Bank Network provides a unified voice among food banks in support of a common mission to end hunger in Texas. Endhungerintex.org

'Hank Williams Remembered' performance in Brownwood on Saturday, August 4th

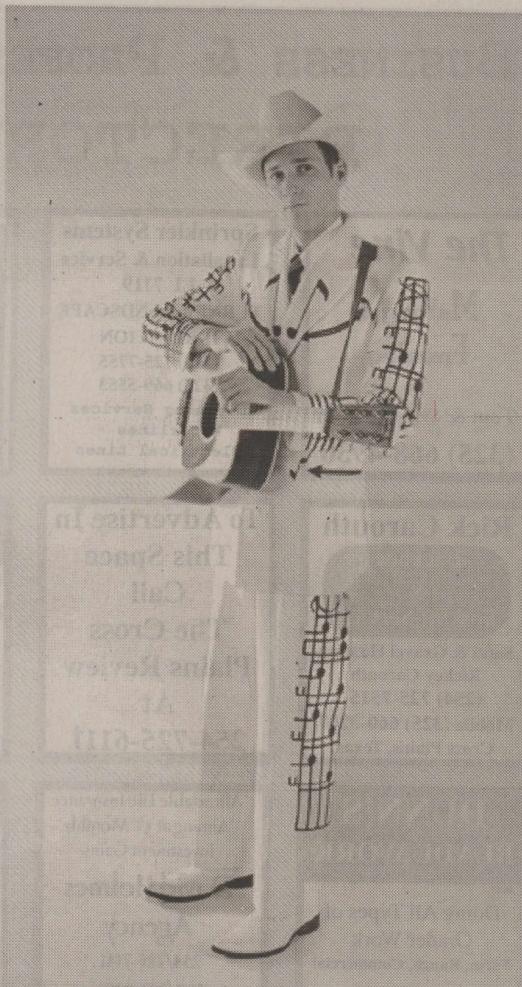
For anyone wanting a great evening of entertainment and dining, be sure to mark your calendar for the August 4th Remembering When event performance of Hank Williams Remembered, starring Jake Penrod at the Brownwood Coliseum in Brownwood, Texas. As a benefit for the West Texas Rehabilitation Center, Presenting Sponsor for the event is Central Texas Farm Credit, ACA with KTAB NEWS on board as the Entertainment Sponsor. Other major sponsors supporting the Rehab Center include Citizens National Bank at Brownwood and Comanche Electric Cooperative.

If you are a true country music fan, this is a must see show. Jake Penrod will perform a heartfelt tribute to the music and life story of country music legend, Hank Williams. He presents a full set of Williams' hit songs and lesser-known numbers, along with an insightful first-person narrative. Clad in Hank's unmistakable white suit emblazoned with musical notes, Jake manipulates his voice to bear a striking resemblance to Williams' very distinct vocal stylings.

Penrod's resume includes a stint as "Hank" in the Off-Broadway production of Lost Highway and has recently been on RFD-TV's TruCountry. He has performed in concerts with many well-known country stars, including Country Music Hall of Fame celebrity Ray Price, who said "Jake is as close to Hank as he's ever seen". Price should know because Hank actually lived with him for several months.

Jake's interest in Hank Williams began when he was around 8 years old and saw a TV commercial for a Williams' record. "It was just something different that got my attention" said Penrod. "Of course, my parents thought I was weird. That was around 1992 or 1993 when George Strait and Garth Brooks are huge and I'm listening to Hank Williams. My dad bought me a guitar when I was 10 and the first songs I tried to sing were Hank songs. I started emulating his style and ended up sounding like him."

It's not simply Williams' physical and vocal mannerisms that Penrod attempts to emulate on stage, but the emotion and humanity felt by those who appreciate the journey Hank went



JAKE PENROD PERFORMING HANK WILLIAMS SONGS IN BROWNWOOD ON AUGUST 4TH

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Options for the evening event include Dinner & Show table seating or General Show admission with upper Coliseum seats. Dinner & Show reserved tables of 8 are available for \$1,000 or \$500 - individual table tickets can also be purchased for \$75. General Admission for the show only are available for \$20. For information, to reserve tables or purchase tickets please call 325-660-8338 or email mcloud@wtrec.com. General Admission tickets may also be purchased in Brownwood at Wendlee Broadcasting, KOXE

or the Brownwood Chamber of Commerce and in Abilene at the West Texas Rehabilitation Center.

The West Texas Rehabilitation Center is a well-known non-profit organization formed in 1953 which is dedicated to providing outpatient rehabilitative care to more than 500 children and adults each day, regardless of a patient's financial circumstance. Proceeds from events such as Remembering When support services which are aimed at improving the quality of life of all those served by the Rehab Center.

NOTICE OF PRIMARY RUNOFF ELECTION—REPUBLICAN PARTY

To the registered voters of the County of Callahan, Texas: Notice is hereby given that the polling places listed below will be open from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. July 31, 2012, for voting in a Republican Primary Election of the State of Texas. *(Notifiquese, por las presente, que las casillas electorales sitados abajo se ariran desde las 7:00 a.m. hasta las 7:00 p.m. el 31 de julio 2012 para adoptar o rechazar la enmiendas, de la Estado de Texas.)*

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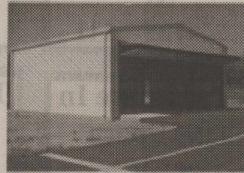
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511 Nueces - Coleman 2BR-2B w/2,476 sq. ft, 1.5 story brick home, flexible floor plan.	40,000
603 Mississippi St. - Coleman, 3BR UNDER CONTRACT! sq. ft., 2 car-garage REDUCED	53,500

HOME WITH ACREAGE

11 Ac. - Merkel, 4BR-2B, 2 story log home w/3,025 sq. ft, barn w/stalls, & add'l pens & tack	247,000
16.33 Ac. - Adorable 1BR-1B UNDER CONTRACT creek, perfect place to build	72,000
19+/- Ac. - 3BR-2B 2,000+ sq. ft. home w/2 car garage & carport, 2 tanks, add'l acreage available	329,000
19.26 Ac. - 2BR-2B log cabin, large lighted outdoor arena, solid round pen, several sheds	180,000
20.21 Ac. - 2BR-1B Rustic home with small acreage, 1 stock tank. Property is fenced.	92,500
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
65.25 Ac. - 1BR-1B 704 sq. ft. cabin w/wrap-around porch, stock tank, great views, gravel driveway	198,848
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75.842 Ac. - Planted in wheat, UNDER CONTRACT trees, 1 tank, 60 add'l ac. coastal available	170,645
100 Ac. - Approx 80% cultivation, beautiful oaks, 2 water wells, old windmill, easy access to I-20	210,000
100.07 Ac. - Mix of pasture & cultivation, 2 stock tanks, 3 cross-fences, great location!	195,136
125+/- Ac. - 2 stock tanks, rural water available, cross fencing, one set of cattle pens.	256,250
133+/- Ac. - 2 barns, 1 insulated w/kitchenette, creek, great views, good fencing, excellent hunting.	397,909
148 Ac. - Slightly rolling terrain UNDER CONTRACT 1 small tank, wet weather creek	288,620
153 Ac. - Barn, covered campsite parking, 2 ponds, seasonal creek, excellent hunting	422,300
162.25 Ac. - Fertile farmland, one stock tank, sloping terrain, county road frontage, more acres available.	283,938
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305 +/- Ac. - 6 stock tanks, 2 wells, 3 sets of cattle pens, Klein & coastal	625,250
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If you're wondering how the skies are at Fort Griffin, just know that they are described by many astronomers as being some of the darkest and clearest in Texas. In fact, Fort Griffin is considered one of the premier hot spots for astronomy and is one of the 3 best public areas in Texas.

Each month, near the new moon, astronomers from all over Texas travel to Fort Griffin to take advantage of these night

skies. This month, Kurt Oliver from Woodson and other astronomers will share their telescopes, laser pointers, and knowledge of the night skies with the public. The star gazing program will begin after dark in the baseball field of the Fort Griffin campground.

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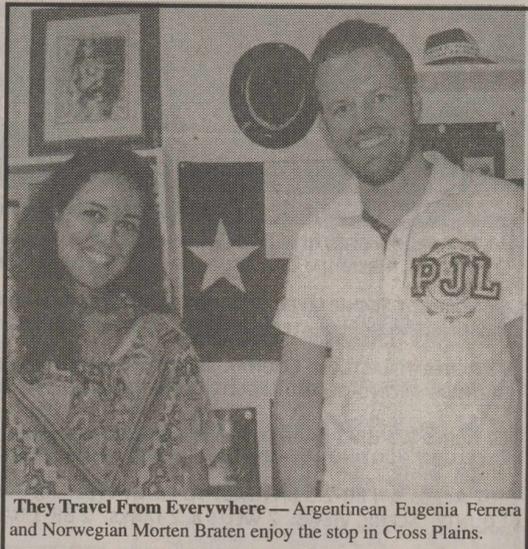
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Campfire Tales: Tales From the Trail is planned for Saturday, July 21st at 8:00 p.m. Cost is general admission at Fort Griffin State Historic Site Campground.

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Taxing small businesses

By Senator
Kay Bailey Hutchison

Last week, I set out on my annual bus tour in Texas. I have taken a tour of Texas every year since I entered the Senate, taking me thousands of miles across this glorious state and every one of our 254 counties. This is my last year as a US Senator, and nothing highlights the reasons I chose to represent my great state better than spending time with our people. Texans are strong, resourceful, innovative, self-reliant, kind, open and world-famous for friendliness. Texas is a destination for everything from barbecue to cutting-edge science and technology, and that is a reflection of the people – richly diverse in so many ways, but sharing an inimitable and unique Texas spirit.

But this is not an easy time in Texas, which, though not as bad as many other states, still has a sluggish economy with high unemployment.

I went to Washington to ensure that the American Dream would stay alive for every Texan. But we find ourselves in a new era, where the promise that hard work and dedication will translate into success is in jeopardy.

The economy is sluggish, recovery is stagnant and unemployment numbers won't budge – they haven't been below 8 percent in three years. And now the Administration is proposing a tax increase that would slam small businesses when they can least afford it – and when we need them the most.

Small businesses drive our economy, providing some 55 percent of private sector jobs. In the midst of the most uncertain economic environment in recent memory, punishing them with higher taxes is incomprehensible. Even talk about raising taxes paralyzes business, as the uncertainty about economic burdens stops owners from hiring and reinvesting capital to grow their businesses. Our economy can't sustain that kind of deprivation of revenue, and the 23 million underemployed and unemployed Americans can't afford a longer hiring freeze.

The people I met with – families, small-business owners, veterans – are the people I think of as I try to secure tax fairness.

On my tour, I met with members of the community in a number of small businesses: in Marble Falls at the Blue Bonnet Cafe, in Fredericksburg at the Clear River Soda Fountain and in Uvalde at the famous Vasquez Restaurant, where I had a wonderful afternoon with my hosts, Enrique Vasquez and Donald McLaughlin of DKM Enterprises, a local steel salvage and distribution company.

Vasquez Restaurant is the perfect example of a great American small business. It was founded in 1935 by Enrique's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jesus Vasquez. Enrique took over and has kept it a Uvalde institution. Sergeant Major Enrique Vasquez served in the US Army and fought in the Korean Conflict – pictures of his time in Korea and Japan adorn one of the restau-

rant walls. He is one of Uvalde's most recognizable locals and can be found in his restaurant every day working the lunch shift.

The tax increases proposed by the Administration will hit businesses like Vasquez Restaurant. Why? Because 75 percent of small businesses pay taxes at an individual rate, as they are organized as "flow-through" businesses, such as partnerships, S Corporations, LLCs and sole proprietorships. The Joint Committee on Taxation estimates that 53 percent of all flow-through business income will be subject to the top two individual income tax rate increases scheduled to take effect in 2013.

This increase is an unfair burden on hard-working Americans. Sergeant Major Vasquez's parents started a business, worked hard and made it a success. Sergeant Major Vasquez served his country, took over his parents' business and made it an even bigger success that provides jobs to locals and is a fixture in the community. It survived the Great Depression and 11 recessions and is working its way through a 12th. These tax hikes punish businesses like Vasquez Restaurant in already tough times, starve the American economy of revenue and deprive job-seekers of opportunities.

I hope that the Administration will heed calls from both parties to rethink this tax on our job-creators.

Hutchison, a Republican, is the senior U.S. senator from Texas.

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Callahan County DPS Report

Calls received by the Callahan County Department of Public Safety from July 7, 2012 through July 13, 2012 include:

Cases Investigated
Warnings—153
Complaints—63
DWI—2
Driving While License Invalid—5
Fugitive Arrest-Theft by Check—1
Possession of Dangerous Drug—1
Possession of Controlled Substance—1

Vehicle Accidents
There were three vehicle accidents investigated during this time span.

Homebuyer Assistance Program available in Callahan County

Central Texas Opportunities, Inc. (CTO) is pleased to announce that applications to participate in the Homebuyer Assistance Program will be available to eligible applicants living in Brownwood, Bangs, Clyde, Cross Plains, Coleman, Comanche, DeLeon, Cisco, Eastland, Ranger, Brady, Ballinger and Winters.

Applications may be obtained and downloaded from CTO's web site, www.ctoinc.org, or may be picked-up from any of the following Community Outreach Centers:

Community Outreach Locations Phone # Office Hours

Brady – 601 West 10th Street 325-597-3566, Fridays 8:30 am – 12:00 p.m. and 12:30 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.

Brownwood – 1500 Dublin 325-641-9180 Monday – Friday 8:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. and 1:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Clyde – 601 South 1st 325-893-0066 Fridays 8:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. and 12:30 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Coleman – 2302 Commercial Ave. 325-625-4167 Monday – Friday 8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Comanche – 1005 South Austin 325-356-3651 Monday – Wednesday 8:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. and 1:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Eastland – 300 North Lamar 325-629-8775 Monday – Wednesday 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. and 12:30 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Winters – 601 West Pierce 325-754-4443 Monday – Wednesday 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. and

12:30 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. The application process will begin on July 24, 2012 and end on August 17, 2012. Office hours for each location to receive and/or submit applications are listed above. For additional information, please contact the center that is closest to you.

Please note the application deadline for each office is Friday, August 17, 2012.

The HOME Investment Partnerships Program (HOME) is administered by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development to provide affordable housing assistance and services to low-income families.

The Homebuyer Assistance Program (HBA) offers down payment and closing cost assistance for homebuyers; and rehabilitation for accessibility modifications of single family housing units. To qualify, eligible households must meet 1) specific income guidelines, 2) choose a single family property, 3) complete a homebuyer counseling class, and 4) occupy the assisted property as your primary residence.

Also, the Tenet-Based Rental Assistance Program (TBRA) has been extended through Friday, August 17, 2012.

Special accommodations may be made for elderly and/or disabled applicants who are unable to reach the application site or for applicants who rely on public transportation. To request special accommodations, please contact Central Texas Opportunities' Administration Office at 325-625-4167.

Callahan County's jobless rate rises in May to 5.1%

The unemployment rate in Callahan County rose three-tenths of one percent to 5.1% in May 2012, according to jobless figures released Friday, June 15th by the Texas Workforce Commission. The unemployment rate in Callahan County one year ago in May 2011 was 6.5 percent.

Callahan County's unemployment rate was 4.8% in April, 2012.

Previous monthly jobless rates in Callahan County included: 5.3% in March 2012, 5.4% in February, 5.5% in January 2012, 5.8% in December 2011, 5.7% in November, 6.1% in October, 6.7% in September, 6.9% in August, 7.4% in July, and 7.8% in June, according to the unemployment figures.

Big Country area counties, bordering Callahan County, and the counties' unemployment rates for May 2012 include: Brown, 6.1%; Coleman, 6.3%; Eastland, 5.9%; Jones, 6.5%; Runnels, 6.3%; Shackelford, 3.6%; Stephens, 5.8%; and Taylor County, 5.7%.

The Abilene MSA (Metropolitan Statistical Area) unemployment rate, which includes Taylor, Callahan and Jones Counties, stood at 5.7% in May, 2012, according to the Texas Workforce Commission. Abilene's Combined Labor Force is 82,400. There were 77,700 employed during May 2012, while 4,700 were unemployed, giving the Abilene MSA an unemployment rate of 5.7%.

The Abilene MSA reported the workforce was 82,900 in April, 2012. Total employment of 78,500 was reported in April 2012, while 4,400, or 5.3% were unemployed in April 2012.

The Abilene MSA unemployment rate for May, 2011 was 6.3%. The total workforce was reported at 84,400, with 79,100 employed and 5,300 unemployed in May, 2011.

The state's unemployment rate for the month of May, 2012 was 6.9 percent. Last month's statewide unemployment rate was 6.5 percent. The state's unemployment rate in May of 2011 was 7.8 percent.

The United States unemployment rate for May, 2012 was 7.9 percent. The nation's unemployment rate for the previous month of April, 2012 was 7.7%. The United States unemployment rate one year ago in May, 2011 was 8.7%.

UNEMPLOYMENT

Callahan County Unemployment	Apr.	May
	4.8%	5.1%

Highlights of the Texas Labor Force (Not Seasonally Adjusted)

Texas recorded its second consecutive month of posting an unemployment rate below 7.0 percent. From last month, the unemployment rate rose four-tenths of a percentage point to 6.9 percent. The last April-to-May change posted an increase of two-tenths of a percentage point. From year-ago levels, the unemployment rate decreased by 0.9 percentage points. The national unemployment rate moved up two-tenths of a percentage point for an unemployment rate of 7.9 percent. For 66 consecutive months the Texas unemployment rate has remained at or below the national unemployment rate.

The Civilian Labor Force recorded its third consecutive month of reaching an all-time high at 12,606,800 Texans. Over the month, 58,200 individuals were added into the Civilian Labor Force. This April-to-May change was at the highest level since 1987. From May 2011, the Civilian Labor Force expanded by 182,200 persons. Since January, the Civilian Labor Force grew by 144,900 people.

The number of jobholders rose by 5,500 individuals for an estimate of 11,739,600 Texans. The number of employed Texans was recorded as the third consecutive month of all-time highs. This May's annual change was at 285,600 people. This was the highest May annual change seen in the series since 1984. From the start of 2012, the number of jobholders increased by 224,300 persons. The number of those seeking Job opportunities grew by 52,700 persons for an estimate of 867,200 Texans. Over the year, the number of Jobseekers contracted by 103,400 people. From the beginning of this year, the number of jobseekers decreased by 79,400 individuals.

The number of individuals

continuing to file unemployment insurance claims declined by 1,200 persons for a total of 125,200 Texans. From last year's level, the number of those continuing to file for unemployment insurance claims dropped by 14,500 people. In the Metropolitan Statistical Area (MSA) 10 rose and 15 declined in unemployment insurance claimant activity. The Texarkana, the Victoria and the Amarillo MSAs recorded the largest drop among the MSAs at 12.8 percent, 11.2 percent, and 6.9 percent, respectively.

HAPPENINGS AROUND THE STATE

Fairmont to Operate Downtown Convention Hotel

AUSTIN, TX (Austin-American Statesman)—Luxury management company Fairmont Hotels & Resorts will be the operator for a \$350 million convention hotel planned for downtown, making Austin only the second Texas city to feature the famed brand. Fairmont said it will manage the 50-story, 1,000-room hotel for which Manchester Texas Financial Group plans to break ground next spring, with a projected opening in 2015. At 580 feet, the hotel would be the second-tallest building in Austin's skyline.

The Austin Fairmont is expected to create 800 jobs during construction and about 1,000 permanent jobs after it opens, said Doug Manchester, president of Manchester Texas. According to Jennifer Fox, president of Fairmont Hotels & Resorts, "Austin is currently seeing tremendous interest and growth in the convention market and with its reputation as a dynamic, vibrant capital city will be a great addition to our portfolio." The Fairmont brand now has more than 60 hotels worldwide, including one in Dallas.

Exxon Mobil Plans Major Chemical Plant

NEW YORK, NY (Reuters)—Exxon Mobil Corp., the world's largest publicly traded energy

company, plans to build a multi-billion dollar chemical plant in Texas to take advantage of cheap North American shale gas, according to a U.S. environmental filing seen by Reuters. The plant, which could be online as soon as 2016, would sharply crank up Exxon Mobil's chemical production capacity and help it compete more effectively with rival Dow Chemical Co.

Exxon Mobil has been North America's largest natural gas producer. By using its own natural gas in chemical production something Dow is not able to do - Exxon Mobil further slashes its costs. The expansion should create 10,000 construction jobs and boost Exxon Mobil's Baytown permanent work force by 350 to 680, the company said. More than \$90 million per year in additional tax revenue and 3,700 extra jobs will be created in the local community, Exxon Mobil estimates.

Oxygen Therapy Provider Moves to Richardson

DALLAS, TX (Dallas Morning News)—Inogen Inc., a California-based manufacturer and accredited homecare provider of oxygen therapy equipment and services, has signed a lease for 31,204 square feet of space in Richardson for a major corporate expansion. The company will maintain its headquarters near Santa Barbara while relying on the new Richardson location to facilitate its national growth plans. Inogen expects to hire approximately 200 new employees by 2013. Employees based at the facility will provide services that include medical billing, sales, customer support and clinical services. The facility will also house part of Inogen's growing manufacturing and distribution operations.

University General Plans 5 Hospitals in Houston Region

HOUSTON, TX (Houston Business Journal)—University General Health System Inc. is planning five new hospitals in the Houston market over the next two years, said President Donald Sapaugh. With the planned expansion, the company intends to hire between 250 and 400 employees. The company has executed an agreement for land for a hospital in Alvin, and is also scouting sites south, east and north of Houston for future hospitals, Sapaugh added.

Nationwide Study Shows Texas is #1 in Infrastructure and Transportation

AUSTIN – CNBC's 2012 Top States for Business study results are out and Texas is on top. In addition to its overall No. 1 ranking, Texas maintained the top spot in the infrastructure and transportation category for the second year in a row and the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) couldn't be more proud.

"Texas stands alone as the leader in economic development and job creation and providing the infrastructure for that activity is a daily undertaking for our team," said Texas Transportation Commission Chairman Ted Houghton. "We are moving forward with multiple mega projects across the state, including the I-35 corridor expansion and I-69 from south Texas to east Texas. Activities like these undoubtedly helped us surge to the top of the ranks."

"This recognition is a good testament that TxDOT has become more innovative in constructing our state infrastructure while continuing to address congestion, connectivity and safety needs," said Senator Tommy Williams, Chairman of the Senate Transportation and Homeland Security Committee. "As chairman, my goal is to look for methods to maintain and fund ongoing and future projects, especially as the state population continues to grow, and I am proud of what we've accomplished in Texas."

According to CNBC, Texas racked up an impressive 1,604 points out of a possible 2,500, with top-10 finishes in six of the 10 categories of competitiveness. Of the 325 total possible points for the Infrastructure and Transportation category, Texas scored 248.

"Texas is making the proper investment in infrastructure and being recognized as a national leader proves we are on the right track," said TxDOT Executive Director Phil Wilson. "Achieving this great honor, however, would not be possible without the hard

work and commitment of all TxDOT employees statewide."

Access to all modes of transportation is key to getting products to market and people on the move. CNBC measured the vitality of each state's transportation system by the value of goods shipped by air, land and water. They also looked at the availability of air travel in each state, and the quality of the roads.

"Good transportation infrastructure is vital to achieving economic development in our state. It's nice to see our efforts are paying off here in Texas," said Representative Larry Phillips, Chair of the House Transportation Committee. "We will continue to work hard in the upcoming session to ensure good policy and funding is available to help TxDOT succeed."

"We continuously work with all of our partners to address transportation needs throughout the state—from highways to ports to rail to aviation," Wilson said. "Through the collaboration with local communities, we are able to deliver needed improvements now and provide the foundation for the future."

To read the full report or see the overall rankings of all states in each of the 10 categories, visit <http://www.cnbc.com/id/46413845/>.

Texas Department of Transportation

The Texas Department of Transportation is responsible for maintaining 80,000 miles of road and for supporting aviation, rail, and public transportation across the state. TxDOT and its 11,000 employees are committed to working with others to provide safe and reliable transportation solutions for Texas by maintaining a safe system, addressing congestion, connecting Texas communities, and being a Best in Class state agency. Find out more at www.txdot.gov. Fan us on Facebook www.facebook.com/txdot. Follow us on Twitter www.twitter.com/txdot.

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The couple will be married
 July 21, 2012, at 5:00 p.m.
 Cross Plains Church of Christ
 Cross Plains, Texas

Reception to follow at the Church of Christ Activity Center

GED STUDENTS Can Earn Up to \$100 REWARD

Have you been putting off getting your GED because of the expense? Want to take the GED test but can't afford the \$100 cost? Thanks to a grant from Texas Book Festival, the Cross Plains GED program can now reimburse students up to \$100 toward the cost of their final test.

"How exciting," remarks library director Linda Burns, "that we are able to provide all the study materials free to our students; now they can be reimbursed, on a first-come, first-serve basis, up to \$100 for the cost of this test, once they receive their GED certificate."

Don't put this off any longer!

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You have no more excuses not to get this done!!!! Call the library at 254-725-7722 or just show up during class time. New students are welcome to join us at any time. Classes are held every Monday and Tuesday evening from 5 p.m. - 9 p.m. at the library.

Someone will be waiting to help you enroll.

Submitted by
 Michelle Kaiser



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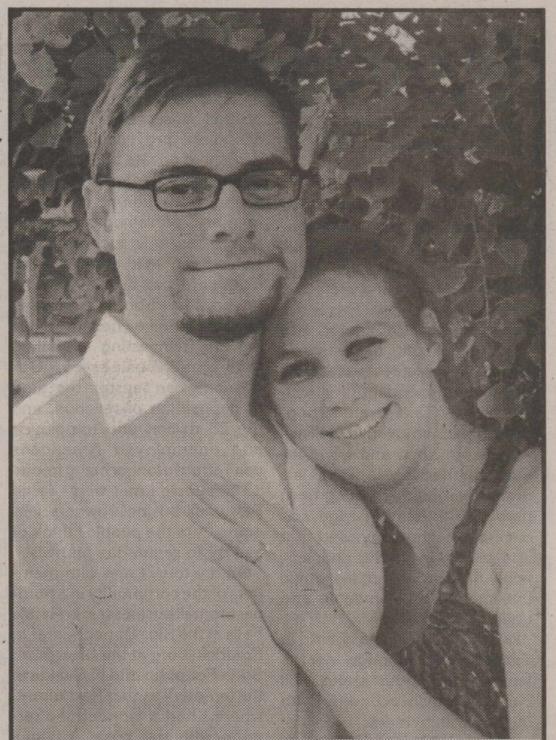
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Carpenter — Parks Engagement

Dr. Bill and Camille Carpenter are proud to announce the engagement and upcoming marriage of their daughter, Amanda Leigh, to R.D. Parks, II. A small family wedding will take place on August 4, 2012, at Pecan Grove Baptist Church in San Saba, Tx followed by a reception at Soap's Place in San Saba.

R.D. is the son of Mr. & Mrs. R.D. and Mitsuko Parks of Balikpapan, Indonesia. He graduated from The American School of Barcelona in Spain in 2002. He is currently a member of the United States Marine Corps Reserves and is attending Texas Tech University.

Amanda is the granddaughter of Dr. and Mrs. Billy Carpenter of Rising Star, TX and Mr. and Mrs. Clinton Cole of Colorado Springs, Colorado. Amanda is a 2010 graduate of Cross Plains High School and is also currently attending Texas Tech. The couple will reside in Lubbock.

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 01 Dodge Ram 1500, 4x4, SLE, extended cab, short bed, (Black).....\$5,250
 04 Ranger Super Cab, XLT, 4X4, auto., 113K miles, 4.0, V6 (White)\$7,500
 99 Ranger XLT, Super cab, V6, auto., (Black).....\$3,995
 96 Ranger XLT, 4 cyl., 5 spd., (Two-Tone).....\$2,995
 95 Chevy 2500, Extended cab, 5.7 V8, 5 spd. (Tan).....\$3,250
 98 Chevy, Extended cab, 4.3 V6, auto., new tires/wheels, (Red).....\$4,250
 00 Dodge Ram, Extended cab, auto, runs good (Blue).....\$2,400

Library Readers BLAST OFF!!!!

The children in the summer reading program traveled to Pat Gordzelik's rocketry center on Wednesday, July 11th. Pat told the children about the different kinds of rockets and the fuel that propels them. The children watched a video about rockets and space exploration.

In his center he has many different sizes of rockets and fuel packs on display. The children got to view a rocket blasting off and followed the decent of the

rockets parachute through the clouds. Pat also let them watch as he ignited a small fuel cylinder. Forty (40) children and parents attended the program.

Due to a grant from the Brown Foundation, Inc., it has been possible to have the field trips and special events for the children.

Next week on July 25th we will present a Space Shuttle program, which will feature the landing tire from the shuttle Columbia. Come see what additional artifacts we

have from other missions and learn some fun facts about the space program here at the library at 2 p.m.

Miss Sue's Little Investigators, for children six (6) years old and younger, will meet at 1:00 p.m. They will get to be Kid Detectives! Come explore and search with them!

Submitted by
 Linda Burns
 Library Director

Brushy Creek Cowboy Church Revival

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Ray Perryman

Short Round Ministries

Thursday, July 26

Hamburgers @ 6 pm

Services @ 7 pm

Team Roping to follow

Friday, July 27

Chuckwagon Supper @ 6 pm

Services @ 7 pm

Dance with Desert Reign to follow



Saturday, July 28

Brisket & Sausage @ 6 pm

Services @ 7 pm

Ranch Rodeo to follow

Sunday, July 29

Services @ 10:30 am

For Roping or Ranch Rodeo information please call: Sam @ 325-669-7522.
 or Philip @ 325-669-9279. Other info call Darla @ 325-513-2229