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# Cross Plains Review

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THURSDAY, January 7, 2010



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100th YEAR

**CROSS PLAINS, CALLAHAN COUNTY, TEXAS 76443** 

NUMBER 43

## Temporary, part-time workers NEEDED in Callahan County

The Census Bureau is currently taking applications for temporary and part-time workers for the United States of America. the 2010 Census count in Callahan County.

hours a week, mileage reimbursement and the opportunity to work near your home.

crew leader assistants, recruit- your participation. ing assistants, and Census clerk jobs are currently available.

Those who are at least 18 years on April 1, 2010. of age or older, have a valid Social Security Number, pass a background test, and take a written test can work up to 40 hours per week in the evening 13, U.S. code, Section 9. The and on weekends. Applications are being taken at the Census website

can call the toll-free number at 1-888-881-2010 to apply.

Callahan County officials are also preparing for the upcoming ducted? 2010 Census count. The commissioners' court, at its Mon- States requires that every per- reach every U.S. resident than day, December 14th meeting, son who lives in the country is voted to retain the law firm of counted every 10 years. The task alone. Bickerstaff, Heath, Delgado, first Census was conducted in Acosta, LLP for the Census 2010 and the possibility of redistrict-

Census questionnaire is being lion in federal funds is distribshortened to a quick ten ques- uted annually to hospitals, tion survey. Census questionnaires throughout the nation and grams, as well as the number of Callahan County will be mailed representatives every state has in March 2010 either by mail or in the U.S. Congress. in person from a Census worker. Households should complete differ from previous Census and return their forms upon re-

ceipt by April 1, 2010. What You Need to Know! What is the Census?

Is it Easy? You will receive the question-Census jobs offer those who naire in the mail. It only takes 10 and return. More detailed inforapply flexible hours of up to 40 minutes to complete the ques- mation will be collected annu-

tionnaire. Who is Counted?

Everyone counts! Your immi-Census takers, crew leaders, gration status does not affect When?

The next Census will take place

Questionnaire?

All information provided to the office of the Census does not share your personal data with the FBI, CIA, Immigration, the www.2010censusjobs.gov or police, or even the President. for statistical purposes.

When is the Census Con-

Why is it Important?

Census officials report the 2010 mine how more than \$400 bil- delivered to households. schools, child care, school pro-

households received a long ques-

tionnaire asking for detailed so-A count of the population of cioeconomic information. In 2010, every residence will receive a short questionnaire that is simple and fast to complete ally from a small percentage of the population through the

American Community Survey. Why are partners so important to the 2010 Census Cam-

paign? More than 140,000 organizations supported Census 2000, Is it Safe to Respond to the including state and local governments, community and faithbased organizations, schools, Census is protected under Title media, businesses and others. The Census Bureau relies on partners to help explain the importance of completing the 2010 Census message to people in every corner of the Untied States. Your information is only used This is particularly important in areas isolated by language or geography. By joining forces with partners, the Census Bu-The Constitution of the United reau has a far greater chance to by attempting this monumental

2010 Census Timeline Key

February-March 2010: Census Census data will help deter- questionnaires are mailed or

> April 1, 2010: Census Day April - July 2010: Census takers visit households that did not return a questionnaire by mail.

December 2010: By law, Census Bureau delivers population How will the 2010 Census counts to President for appor-

March 2011: By law, Census In the last Census, one in six Bureau completes delivery of redistricting data to states.

# **Cross Plains Public** Library

### **Honored with Nomination**

The Cross Plains Public wrote supporting letters. Library in America award. Sue that the Big Country Library System,

Library was honored by a Cosponsored by the Bill & nomination for the Library Melinda Gates Foundation, the Journal's 2009 Best Small award honors the public library most profoundly Dossey of the Coleman Public demonstrates outstanding service Library made the nomination. to populations of 25,000 or less. will be announced in the Margaret Waring of the One library will be chosen to take February 1, 2010, Library Comanche Public Library and the top honor and two will John Pecoraro, Coordinator for receive finalist status. Members

of the editorial board of Library Journal, librarians from around the country, and a representative from the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation, will judge nominations. The winning library

### Combs to begin new reviews of **County Appraisal Districts**

(AUSTIN) — Texas uniform across the state. undergoing a MAP review, the Comptroller Susan Combs School districts, cities, PVS will determine whether today released a list of the first counties and other taxing local values or state-calculated set of county appraisal districts jurisdictions set local property (CADs) that will receive a new tax rates based on the type of state review, which appraisals performed by begins in 2010.

The new Methods and Assistance Program (MAP) reviews, required by House Bill 8 (HB 8) passed by the 81st to help fund local services and Legislature, will begin in operations," said Debbie CADs' governance; taxpayer assistance; procedures; and appraisal standards, procedures and

methodology. Property Tax Code was enacted to train appraisal review board in 1979 all county appraisal districts are subject to review owners understand how to once every two years, and we protest their property values if will work closely with CADs to they disagree with the CAD's help them appraise property accurately and according to law," Combs said.

CADs in 2011.

A complete list of the 128 CADs that will receive MAP reviews in 2010, and the 125 starting in 2011 can be found at h t t p : / / www.window.state.tx.us/ taxinfo/proptax/map/

MAPreviews.pdf MAP reviews are intended to practices more accurate and located in counties that are not

"The Comptroller does not set local property taxes. Tax rates are set by local elected officials January. They will examine Cartwright, Director of the Comptroller's Property Tax operating Assistance Division. "The Comptroller's role is to assist appraisal districts to comply with the law and generally "For the first time since the accepted appraisal practices, members and to help property

HB 8 also changed the frequency of the Property Appraisal districts will receive Value Study (PVS) for school MAP reviews in alternate years, districts from yearly to every starting with reviews of other year. The Comptroller approximately half of the CADs uses the PVS to check the in 2010 and the remaining accuracy of local property values reported by school districts for school funding

appraisal."

Beginning next year, for CADs that will be reviewed school districts located in county appraisal districts that are undergoing a MAP review, local property values reported districts will automatically be used to determine school make property appraisal funding. For school districts

values are used for school

Following a MAP review, a CAD will receive a report containing the Comptroller's recommendations. The CAD will have one year to comply with the recommendations.

"The Property Tax Assistance Division will assist CADs throughout the process, giving them the information, tools and resources they need to improve their operations," Cartwright

If a CAD fails to comply with the Comptroller's recommendations within one year, the CAD will be reported to the Texas Department of Licensing and Regulation for enforcement.

More information on the MAP process is available on the Comptroller's Property Tax Assistance Web site at http:// www.window.state.tx.us/ taxinfo/proptax/map/

"We are committed to helping county appraisal districts achieve market-value appraisals: follow legal requirements and generally accepted appraisal standards: and provide superior customer service that enables Texans to to the state by the school understand their property taxes, along with their rights and responsibilities as taxpaying home and business owners." Combs said.

CELEBRATING THE NEW YEAR A LITTLE EARLY—The Senior Citizens Center had a party at noon on December 31st. Enjoying the fun were Era Lee Hanke (from left), Muriel Davis, Francis Whiteley, Doris Grider and Mickey Dillard.



NEW YEARS EVE PARTY ATTENDEES AT THE SENIOR CENTER—Jerry Biggerstaff (from left), Thereni McCrohan, Chris Biggerstaff, Francis Whiteley, and Mickey Dillard.

### **Funeral Services Held** Tuesday, January 5th, for Edwin Weiss

Edwin Weiss, age 78, of Cross He was a member of the First Plains, passed away on Sunday, Baptist Church of Cross Plains. January 3, 2010 in Rising Star. Memorial Cemetery.

Betty Jean Davis on May 18, eight great-grandchildren. to work for 3M Company and daughters. retired after 35 years with the company in April 1993.

during the Korean Conflict. Carey, Joshlin Nelson, Bryan Edwin also served on the Cross McCorkle, Crystle McCorkle, Plains City Council for 17 years. and Connie Alvie.

Survivors include by his wife,

Funeral services were held at Betty Weiss of Cross Plains; son, 2:00 p.m. Tuesday, January 5, Eddie Dwayne Weiss and wife 2010 at the First Baptist Church Wanda of Bangs; daughters, of Cross Plains with Pastor Sandra Carey and husband Ronnie B. White officiating. Rickey and Brenda Weiss, all of Interment was in Cross Plains Cross Plains; two brothers, Wilburn Weiss and Douglass Edwin was born January 31, Weiss, both of Cross Plains; two 1931 in Coppell, Texas to sisters, Joan Brown of Cross Thomas Carl and Blanch Plains and Dixie Corley of (Andrews) Weiss. He married Olney; seven grandchildren and

1952 in Coleman. He worked in He was preceded in death by his the oil field for awhile, then went parents, three brothers, and two

Pallbearers were his grandchildren, Jonathon Nelson. He served in the U.S. Army Jacob Weiss, Jason Carey, Roger



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Pastor Max Evans

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Pastor: Wayne Lenz Music: Karen Lenz & Diane Woods

Bible Study...10:00 am Sunday Morning Worship...11:00 am

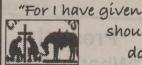
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Michael Ingram, Pastor

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Pastor: Len Smith



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**Cross Plains** Review **Deadlines** 

·Ads Noon on Tuesday Articles Noon on **Monday** 

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#### Peter Sackville Pickard

Peter Sackville Pickard, 82, of Burkett, died Thursday, December 31, 2009 at Abilene Regional Medical Center. A memorial service will be held 2:00 p.m. Thursday, January 7, 2010 at St. Mark's Espicopal Church with The Rev. Russell Fisher officiating. Services are under the direction of Stevens Funeral Home, Coleman.

Peter Sackville Pickard was born January 1, 1927 in Epping, Essex, England, the son of Harry Sackville Pickard and Keziah Minnie Irene Thomlinson Pickard. He grew up and attended school in England. He immigrated to Pennsylvania in 1948, sailing across the Atlantic on the Queen Mary. He also lived in California, before moving to Burkett in 1990. He married Joan Wakefield in Reno, Nevada in August, 1990. He was a rancher and attended Cowboy Churches.

Survivors include two daughters, Lisa Lavagnino and husband, John, of Watsonville, California, Audrey Pickard Duffell of Dallas; one son, Winthrop Sackville Pickard and wife, Michelle, of Corralitos, California; one sister, Elizabeth Pickard of England; four stepchildren; seven grandchildren, five step-grandchildren; several nieces and nephews; his caregivers, Tami Strickland and Rex Priddy and his two faithful companions, Jack and Jill.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Joan Sackville-Pickard on December 3, 2009; one son, Peter Pickard, Jr.; one sister, Molly Pickard and one brother, John Pickard.

The family requests memorials be made to the Alzheimer's Association, P.O. Box 96011, Washington, DC 20090-6011.

Please sign his online guestbook at: www.livingmemorials.com

**Cross Plains Review Deadlines** 

Ads Noon on Tuesday **Articles Noon on Monday** 

### **Ruby Pauline Kent**

Latson Ruby Pauline Kent Latson, age 86, passed away Monday, December 28, 2009 in Abilene. Graveside funeral services were held at 3:00 p.m. Wednesday, December 30, 2009 at the Oakwood Cemetery in Cisco. Ruby Pauline Kent was the

eldest of four children born to Marvin Lee and Willie Mae (Stone) Kent on October 1, 1923 at Crawford, McLennon County, Texas. Ruby moved with her family to Cisco at a young age and married her high school sweetheart, Robert Lee Latson, in Dallas on December 23, 1943. They had one child, a son, Richard Charles Latson, Lord of

The couple lived in Dallas, Pampa, Cisco, Odessa, Cross Plains and moved to Abilene in 1964. During her professional career she worked in real estate, oil and gas, law, insurance and banking and retired as vice-president of the then NCNB of Abilene in the fall of 1988.

She was preceded in death by her parents; a brother, John Hugh Kent; and her husband, Bob, who passed away in 1999.

Survivors include her son, Richard Charles Latson, Lord of Ashow, of Silver Springs, Maryland; two brothers, George Nolen Kent of Fort Worth and Donald Ray and wife Betty Gallagher Kent of Tulsa, Oklahoma; and numerous nieces, nephews and extended family.

#### **James Henry Nelson**

James Henry Nelson, 54, of Rising Star, passed away Friday, September 24, 2009 at the V.A. Hospital in Temple, after a lengthy battle with cancer. He was laid to rest at the V.A. Cemetery in Killeen, Texas on September 29, 2009.

James was born November 22, 1954 to Joseph and Pauline Nelson Regian in Coleman,

He was preceded in death by his father, three brothers, a sister and

Survivors include Nelda; his mother Pauline (Lee) Regian of Rising Star; two sons, Joshlin and Jonathan Nelson, both of Cross Plains; seven sisters, Edith Sorrell of Tucson, Arizona, Ruth Smith of May, Jolene Boatman of Proctor, Debbie Bilbrey of Rising Star, Sandi Nelson of Odessa, Donna Gressom of Carbon and Brenda Nelson of Alaska; numerous nieces, nephews, cousins; and three aunts, Hazel Lee, Ruby Lee and Genie Lee all of Cross Plains.

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### First Presbyterian Church

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208 N. Ave. D 23-tfn

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### COURTHOUSE NEWS

**COUNTY COURT-**HOUSE

Roger Corn, Presiding

**Misdemeanor Filings** 

Kathryn D. Red, driving while intoxicated (DWI). Shelby W. Mangum, posses-

sion of marijuana. Barbara C. Matlock, possession of marijuana.

Daniel R. Haas, possession ditions of probation granted. of marijuana.

John E. Sartor, DWI. Frederick A. Axt, DWI. Scott A. Honeycutt, DWI.

Misdemeanor Minutes

Ngo Nghia Trung, plea of guilty to DWI, 15 days in jail, \$406 court costs.

Dallas W. Vaughn, motion to revoke probation and adjudicate granted.

Anthony M. Sapetko, request for extension of probation granted.

Michelle Stuart, plea of guilty to theft, 200 days in jail, \$500 fine, \$260 court costs.

Cody James Hurley, motion to dismiss motion to revoke probation and amending con-

Cody Hurley, plea of guilty to DWI, 30 days in jail, \$460 court costs.

Lauralei C. Stephens, motion to dismiss to theft by check granted in the interest of jus-

Jason C. Sanders, plea of guilty to DWI, 15 days in jail, \$385 court costs.

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# First Baptist

**Sunday School** 9:30 am

Sunday **Morning Worship** 10:45 am

Sunday **Evening Worship** 6:30 pm

### Wednesday

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

Ronnie B. White, Pastor

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

#### COTTONWOOD NEWS

BEVERLY BROWN

to get here. Ranger Hill was

A lot of folks did good on their

travels on Christmas Eve and day.

With the exception of getting

stuck in the snow drifts in

Christmas of 2009 will hold a

lot of memories for those who

live here - A White Christmas.

The blizzard blew in Thursday

the 24 th and stayed with us all

were postponed for several days.

The children visiting with

kinfolks had great time playing

in the snow. The dogs and horses

ran and played, while we stayed

inside to keep warm. There were

still little patches of snow visible

Saturday morning in the shaded

fell from a scaffolding unit

several weeks ago. He shatter his

our prayers in the months ahead.

Happy New Year to everyone.

Brian Smith received severe

Cottonwood.

children of Abilene; Kathy and snow. Randall Franke, Amy and Armando Falan and children, San Marcos, TX, son of Bob and Jeremy Franke and friend Ragan, Cookie Robinson, received his all of Hamby; Kellie and Chris Master's Degree in Fine Arts and Dobson and daughter Jaden of Communication with a 4.0 GPA Abilene; Connie Potter, Porcious from Texas State University in and Kara Potter and family, San Marcos. Brian has been Eon Rickie Jo and Gerald Brown and staff at Texas State University family, all of Cross Plains: Robert since 2007 as Student Lee of Cross Plains, and Mary Development Coordinator in the Ella Weaver of Cottonwood, McCoy's School of Business Buster and Carol Pharr of Administration. Sabanno, Charlie and Kala

After a treacherous attempt on Cottonwood.

Family and relatives in the together, Bob, Cookie, and Brian Christmas Eve to spend a few home of Dena Nickerson over the Robinson made the trip on days with his mother, Faye holiday included Glynn and Terri Christmas Day. The family Gilliam. It took Donald 5 hours Nickerson and Chase from gathered at the home of Cookie's Boerne, TX, Matthew and Nicole nephew and family, Scott and closed and they had to detour Nickerson of Abilene, and Blake Tandy Clark. Scott is the son of vehicles southward from Nickerson from Orlando, FL; Bill Ned and Billie Clark. On interstate 20, and then west. and Annette Nickerson, Willie Christmas night, the Robinsons and Jennifer Nickerson and traveled to Muleshoe, TX for a family; Kevin and Jessica visit with Ned and Billie's other Nickerson and children; Mary Jo son and family, Gary and Brenda and Joseph Pennington of Keller, Clark. On Saturday the guys and TX; Dena Jo and Curtis Hines of the dog, Hunter, enjoyed a day of Weatherford, TX; Julie and pheasant hunting. Although most Dustin Hoffman of Abilene; of the pheasants eluded the Jeffrey and Trina Hines and hunters by staying hidden in the

Recently Brian Robinson of

Family gathering at the home damage to his right leg when he Rogers and son of Weatherford of Beverly Brown for a belated and Carrie Beth Hutton and Christmas were Teri and Gilbert children, of Cross Plains, Chris of Cross Plains and Joe and Weaver and daughter, Meagan of Deana Terstegge, Kathleen, shin bone. Remember Brian in Brendon and Ethan of

Christmas Eve to take a trip to Donald Ray Gilliam of Royce Canyon, TX for a family get City made it into Cottonwood on

#### **Cross Plains Cottonwood Fire Control** Review **Sets Date for Annual Meeting**

Control Group will hold their to attend and hear about the Annual Meeting this coming upcoming projects for the Fire Monday, January 11th at 7 p.m. Control Group. Officers for at the Cottonwood Community 2010 will also be elected at the

Members of the Cottonwood

The Cottonwood Volunteer Fire Community are encouraged

### Central Opportunities, Inc. **Uses American Recovery and Reinvestment Act Dollars to** Help Local Residents Achieve **Career Training**

Inc., a local non-profit organiza- self sufficiency through career tion, has received funding to help residents of Brownwood, Callahan, Comanche, Coleman, Eastland, McCulloch and Runnels College and Ranger College to achieve the dream of career training in Medical Billing, On-line no cost to participants. Pharmacy Technician, Certified Nurse's Aide, Phlebotomy, and in any of these fields contact Wind On-line Program. These Central Texas Opportunities, Inc. funds come as a result of at 325-625-4167 ext. 239 for the American Recovery & additional information. Reinvestment Act of 2009.

Central Texas Opportunities, To help local families achieve training program Central Texas Opportunities, Inc. has worked with Texas State Technical provide career training classes at

Anyone interested in a career



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#### Life is NOT What YOU Make It.

We fellow humans, in our various communities, often become deceived by ideas or beliefs that we can make life whatever we want. This deception leads us in an endless pursuit of cars, homes, entertainment, health, and economic security. However, real joy in life and real peace of mind are as rare as ancient gold coins. While we, on a temporary basis, may find fleeting happiness in things or good health we are constantly reminded that they have short lives and we experience discouragement, burn-out, and even despair instead of joy and peace. We rarely understand we have been deceived.

The genuine truth of peace and joy in life are found in the security of the sun rising on time every morning. This is closely followed by ample oxygen to breathe; stable elements which allow plants and animals to live and provide food. All of these things are gifts we did not earn or make with our hands. They came from our Creator, the Designer of the universe, our Provider, the Sender of

Life is not what we make it and it never will be. It is what God makes it and He desires to be the center of it. A mind opened to God's instruction and a heart willing to believe His truth will find joy, peace, and good will toward all. He designed the universe and your body; He can give you lasting peace and joy.

Sunday Morning Bible Class..9:45a.m. Sunday Evening Worship....6:00p.m.

December 28-30, 2009

Patrons:	53
<b>Books Checked Out:</b>	74
Copies:	25
Reference:	3
<b>Internet Users:</b>	29

**Memorials:** Helen Parson In Memory of Nancy Gibson and In Memory of Dale Buckholtz

day. Some family gatherings Book Donations: Ann Beeler Tom Jackson

> **Volunteers:** Azalee Womack Arlene Stephenson **Ginny Hoskins**

**Cross Plains Area Genealogy** Society meets at the Library every first and third Monday at

#### **Fundraiser** ankle bone and damaged to the for Seniors

The Senior Citizen Center is haveing a fundraiser for a Wii Fit game system. The system provides physical fitness and fun for everyone young and old. A few of the activities that are available are tennis, bowling, golf, exercise programs and etc.... The goal is to reach \$400. If you you would like to help our seniors get active, please make a donation! Thank

> Submitted by **Amber Thomas**

### Callahan County **DPS** Report

Calls received by the Callahan County Department of Public Safety from December 27, 2009 through January 2, 2010

January 7, 2010

Cases Investigated Warnings—87 Complaints—35 DWI-3 Driving While License Sus-

pended-3 Driving Under Influence by

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

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### Birthday Reception For Myrna Mitchell

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### SENIOR CITIZEN CENTER ACTIVITIES:

BY AMBER THOMAS

**WEEKLY ACTIVITIES** 

Monday, 11th - Movie Day @ 10:00 am; Cokes & Popcorn. Tuesday. 12th- Exercise Class @ 11:00 am. Wednesday, 13th-Blood Pressure Checks by Girling 10:30-11:30 Thursday, 14th-11:00 am Exercise Class Friday, 15th-Bingo 12:30 pm.

Senior Center Needs A few items the Center could really benefit from... ROASTER OVEN - LARGE CROCK POTS

#### Senior Center has 6 computers up and running!

2:00pm. If you would like to at-skills!

The Senior Center has 6 tend a computer class please call computers available to any senior the Center. They will be each to use. You may use the internet, Thursday starting at 10:30am. play computer games, make a Classes can be as basic or document or even setup an email advanced as needed. What a great account. They are available opportunity for the Seniors in the Monday-Friday from 9:00am - community to learn computer

#### Coupon Corner at the Senior Center

seniors to use. With the economy use! like it is what a great way to save

Do you have coupons that you money by using coupons. This do not use? A sweet lady from the really helps our seniors, since so community, Geneva Nelson has many are on a fixed income. So started a Coupon Corner at the if you have coupons from the Center for the seniors in the Sunday paper, and don't plan on community! There is a table with using them, drop them by the baskets to sort coupons for the Center and we can put them to

### SENIOR CITIZENS MENU

#### **JANUARY 11-15**

MONDAY-Beef Spaghetti, Green sert Tea/Coffee/Milk Salad, Green Beans, Bread and THURSDAY-Chili w/Beans, Dessert, Tea/Coffee/Milk TUESDAY-Chicken Pot Pie, fee/Milk

Dessert, Tea/Coffee/Milk WEDNESDAY-Steak Fingers, cheese, Dessert, Tea/Coffee/Milk

Potatoes, Carrots, Bread & Des-

Corn, Crackers, Dessert Tea/Cof-

Harvard Beets, Fruit, Bread & FRIDAY-Ham Salad Sandwich, Shoe Peg Salad, Pears w/cottage

**Dominoes 2nd Tuesday of Each Month** 

### LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Texas Christmas!!! The Heart of in Cross Plains, TX. We had no God's Country!!

Clovis! But...this is what we faced ner!!! God's Country. Christmas as we drove through TX on Eve service was cancelled, but for Christmas Eve!

SUVs and pickups out of the complain. ditches and meridians. It didn't Porsche, Toyota, all idiots who family!!! created a maze of cars and jack hicles price wasn't a factor! Snow the date of Jesus' birth month. as they could or until they got the out you! access road clear. Angles in Cowboy Hats!

We finally got onto dirt farm weather. roads and with " on the phone instructions" from a friend, we were Love and Hugs on our way. We did get off the Susan, Bob and Abby Hunt road and stayed at a friend's house Aledo, Texas

shortage of invitations to join lo-We're now enjoying Aavary in cal families for Christmas Dingood reason.

We were OK but the locals were We went S and then W to clear out in full force in their "duallies" the snow and had no problems. It towing cars and non-4-wheel just took longer but we didn't

We are thankful for family and matter......Mercedes, Hundai's, friends...and friends who are like

I couldn't help but think of knifed trucks. Bob looked like a Mary and Joseph, and not maksnowman after he spent over 2 ing that trip in our warm 4-wheel hours pushing and trying to lo- drive, and being in labor and decate places to hook tow straps livering a baby in a stable...I to all manner of vehicles..the ve- prayed we are REALLY OFF on

in the eyebrows, ice sickles cak- Thanks to all who prayed for ing beard, etc. The rancher work- travel mercy and we want the ing the access road where we had friends who helped with road and gotten off the interstate finally weather info, and especially for told me we should go on our way. the friends who loaned their He and friends would stay as long house. We never want to be with-

> We'll stay put here in NM till after the 1st of Jan AND clear

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### Callahan County Jr. Livestock Show to be held January 14th-16th

The Annual Callahan County Jr. Livestock Show will be held Thursday, January 14th -Saturday, January 16th. Starting time will be Thursday, January 14th, at 5:30 p.m. with the judging of the rabbits and

Frankie Hyles, President of the Callahan County Jr. Livestock Association, said that entries are expected to number about 450 this year from the various FFA Chapters and 4-H Clubs in the County.

Other officers of the association are Steven Mitchell as Vice President, Johnny Adkins as Treasurer and Cami Robinson as Secretary.

Superintendents for this years show are:

Beef Cattle: Eddie Riley and Johnny Lee

Market & Breeding Swine: Doug Johnston and Tom Windham

Poultry & Rabbits: Betsy Robbins and Larry McIntire Sheep & Goats: Bill Dean, Steven Mitchell and Angela Mitchell

Judging of the rabbits and poultry will begin at 5:30 p.m. on Thursday, January 14th with Paul Booth doing the judging. All participants must be checked in by 5:00 p.m. on the

Judging will begin at 8:00 a.m. on Friday, January 15th,

with the Market Lambs followed by the Boer Goats and Meat Goat Show. Cody Peterson will be judging the Market Lambs, and Dale Caddell will be judging the Goat Show

At 1:30 p.m. on Friday, January 15th, Pete McDougal, will start judging the Breeding Swine Show followed by the Market Barrow Show.

On the afternoon of the 15th from 2:00-6:00 p.m. all steers and heifers will be classified weighed. Shackelford, will get the judging of the Beef Cattle underway at 8:30 a.m. on Saturday morning, January 16th with the heifer show. Roy Shackelford will also judge the steer show immediately following the heifer show.

The Premium Sale will begin Presentation of all the trophies for the champion animals will sale auction.

Announcers for the three day show will be Jimmy Hargrove, Greg Gerngross, Robert Frost, John Belcher and Doug

Officials of the Show would like to invite everyone out for all or part of the show and support the young folks of Callahan County

Submitted by: Hoss Sasin, CEA-Ag

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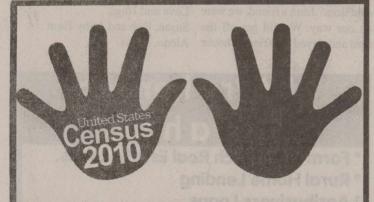
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FRIDAY-Stock show!!

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### New Texas in at 1:00 p.m. The Awards World War II oral be held prior to the premium training brochure Shooting Sports will be holding

now available

AUSTIN, Texas-The recently released brochure Texas in World War II: Fundamentals of Military Oral History is a new tool to help preserve the real stories of Texas' involvement in World War II. Produced by the Texas Historical Commission (THC), the brochure ensures the endurance of the voices of our service men, women and the homefront. The brochure can be used in conjunction with ongoing oral history training workshops held in cities across Texas. The free workshops taking place across the state, titled Here and There: Recollections of Texas in World War II, help to safeguard the memories of the dedicated men and women who contributed to the war effort.

The new oral history training brochure spells out the benefits of recording oral histories, as

well as the research and permission release needed when undertaking a project. One valuable section indicates 10 tactics for obtaining a military oral history and tips on conducting an interview.

Attempting to reach as many Texans as possible, the THC partnered with Baylor University's Institute for Oral History to conduct the workshops through January 2010. The work has also been funded by the Houston Endowment and the Summerlee Foundation of Dallas.

To learn more about the THC's Texas in World War II initiative www.thc.state.tx.us or contact the History Programs Division at 512.463.5853 to obtain an oral history training brochure. The brochure will be available on the THC's web site in late

### SCHOOL HOLIDAY

Friday, January 15, 2010

**Stock Show** 

**Student Holiday** 

**Teacher Staff** Development

School will resume on Monday, January 18, 2010 at regular time

### Callahan County 4-H Shooting **Sports** Orientation

Callahan County 4-H an orientation meeting on January 30th at 2:00 p.m., at the Shooting Range. All former and new members as well as their parents are encouraged to attend. The Shooting Range is located on FM 18 between Baird and Clyde. For more information please contact the Extension Office at (325) 854-5835. Submitted by: Hoss Sasin, CEA-Ag

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### January is School Board **Recognition Month**

(Austin) - Governor Rick Perry has proclaimed January 2010 as School Board Recognition Month. Districts across the state will use this opportunity to show their appreciation of the critical role elected boards of education play in their local schools and communities.

"The biggest challenge of education is also one of its greatest strengths. During a time when state and national mandates rightly place more emphasis than ever on setting the bar high for education, it remains important for each community to retain control of its own educational system," Governor Perry said.

Balancing the need for local control with directives coming from larger governmental bodies is neither an easy nor oftentimes appreciated task, but for over two centuries, school boards have risen to such challenges. Complicating matters further are issues such as the rapidly expanding role of technology in the classroom, the challenge to keep our children both educated and physically active, and as always the difficulties inherent in dealing with budgetary priorities.

"The people who make up these boards uncompensated and, all too often, unsung for their efforts. These people volunteer their time because they care; they care about their communities, they care about their schools and, most importantly, they care about the children. Each year the Texas Association of School Boards designates January as School Board Recognition Month, to emphasize to all of us the importance of the services these dedicated men and women provide to the schools and children of Texas. At this time I urge all Texans to recognize the invaluable contributions realized through the work of our school boards,"

"Today's public schools face tremendous challenges and opportunities, making the school board's role more critical than ever before," said James B. Crow, TASB executive director. "Local trustees diligently work with community leaders, parents, and educators to develop sound education policies. They help set high standards in the education system, encouraging us to strive to reach those goals and better prepare the next generation of leaders in our state and nation," Crow said.

"We encourage every community to acknowledge the commitment that board service requires of more than 7,000 locally elected school board members in Texas and support them as they tackle the enormous task of governing school districts. We applaud their dedication as they offer vision and leadership and work to empower every child to succeed," Crow said.

TASB is a nonprofit association established in 1949 to serve local Texas school districts. School board members are the largest group of publicly elected officials in the state. The districts they represent serve more than 4.7 million public school students.

### Comptroller Awards \$11 Million in Alternative Fuel Project Grants

AUSTIN—Texas Comptroller Susan Combs announced today 14 governmental entities in the state have been selected for \$11 million in competitive federal stimulus grants promoting alternative fuel use in government vehicles. The grants will be administered by the Comptroller's State Energy Conservation Office as part of the Transportation Efficiency

Program. "I commend all the entities selected for the Alternative Fuels Project grants," Combs said. "They have made a strong commitment to cut down on vehicle emission pollution and improve air quality in their areas. The geographic diversity of the awardees also ensures that Texans in different regions will see the benefits."

Grant recipients can use the stimulus funds for their public vehicle fleets. The funds can pay for the incremental cost of buying alternative fuel vehicles, which is the price difference between a standard vehicle and an alternative fuel

vehicle. Entities can also use the grants to convert their vehicles into alternative fuel vehicles and to buy equipment for alternative refueling stations. Eligible alternative fuels include natural gas, propane, hydrogen, ethanol, electricity and biodiesel.

The Comptroller's office has selected the Railroad Commission of Texas for the largest grant award, \$3.1 million. The Railroad Commission will use the grant and matching funds to place 282 propane-fueled school buses and medium- and lightduty vehicles in 19 Texas public fleets - encompassing school districts, universities and a rural transit fleet. It will also upgrade existing propane refueling facilities for seven of the fleets. More information on fleets that will benefit from the grant is available at www.seco.cpa.state.tx.us/ arra/sep/transportation/ index.php.

The Comptroller's office also selected the following entities for Alternative Fuels Project

grants: North Central Texas Council of Governments, \$2.5 million; Mansfield Independent School District, \$1.8 million; city of Laredo, \$924,000; city of Austin, \$607,209; city of Houston, \$500,000; City of Corpus Christi Gas Department, \$400,000; Sun Metro/City of El Paso Mass Transit Department, \$396,180; city of El Paso, \$256,000; University of Texas at Austin, \$200,000; city of Dumas, \$107,800; city of San Antonio, \$90,000; Texas Wildlife Parks and Department, \$56,000; and Port of Corpus Christi

Authority, \$15,237. "Improving air quality is an issue many Texas communities want to tackle," Combs said. "Converting fleets to alternative fuels will help the entities meet their goals, and these grants will help offset the cost."

Find more information on Alternative Fuels Project grants

www.secostimulus.org.

### **Preservation Texas announces** the 2010 Most Endangered **Historic Places in February**

February 4th-5th preservation and history enthusiasts are encouraged to travel to Austin and participate in the 2010 Texas Preservation Summit sponsored by Preservation Texas. The summit is an opportunity preservationists from across the state to participate in advocacy training, get informed about key legislation and learn how to effectively advocate.

The highlight of the summit is the announcement of the 2010 Texas' Most Endangered Places list on Feb. 4th at 10:30 a.m. on the south steps of the Texas State Capitol. The Texas Historical Commission (THC) works closely Preservation Texas to promote this important program. Sites named to the list represent a unique diversity that reflects

Texas-On the cultural heritage, geography, history and architecture of Texas.

Preservation Texas plays a significant role as an advocate for historic preservation and has partnered with the National Trust for Historic Preservation, the THC and many other statewide and local organizations to successfully advocate preservation of historic resources in Texas. In 2006, the THC and Preservation Texas united to list Historic Texas Cemeteries to the 2006 list of Texas' Most Endangered Historic Places.

To learn more about Preservation Texas, the 2010 Texas Preservation Summit and the Texas' Most Endangered Places list visit www.preservationtexas.org. To find out more about the THC and its programs visit www.thc.state.tx.us.

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into Denton from Glens Falls, New York, Paul Wagner (right) was not deterred by the recent snow storms. A Lutheran Minister, Wagner was in Texas to officiate at his good-friend, Leland Hansen's wedding and the two made the guy trip to get away from the pre-wedding details. Wagner has been a serious Howard scholar for years and was delighted to be able to see the Museum and to share his interest in "all things Howard"

Hansen is a retired salesman for a cleaning supplies company. The two planned to have lunch at Mexico City before stopping at the library to view the Howard holdings located there.

### **Grant writing workshop** offered in February

AUSTIN, Texas—Make plans now to attend the February 2010 Grant Writing Workshops hosted by the Friends of the Texas Historical Commission (THC) and THC. The workshops will be held in two tracks: a one day, advanced workshop Feb. 3rd and a twoday basic workshop Feb. 4th-5th for beginners. Due to demand, this is the first winter installment of the workshops, which will be held again in June. The workshops are designed to benefit staff, board members and volunteers from a wide variety of organizations. Staff and volunteers from a wide variety of fields, including historic preservation organizations, museums, the arts, nonprofits, and religious and educational institutions,

can all benefit from our Grant Writing Workshops.

The basic sessions will explore all aspects of fundraising, including potential sources of financial support, developing a funding strategy and writing successful proposals. Participants are encouraged to bring a laptop computer to the workshop, along with a brief description of their programming and funding needs and a basic budget. Draft proposals are also welcome and can be reviewed with the instructors.

For more information, visit www.thc.state.tx.us and select Grants and Economic Incentives or

call 512.463.6092 or email kimberly.klein@thc.state.tx.us.

### Be a part of the future of preservation in Texas

Historical Commission (THC) has ambitious plans for the future of preservation in Texas. Every 10 years the THC, in collaboration with its partners, develops a Statewide Preservation Plan and the agency has created a survey, open to the public, to help in the planning process. A new Statewide Preservation Plan is an opportunity to blaze a trail for Texans to preserve, protect and leverage its historic and cultural fabric for the betterment of local communities. The purpose of this new plan is to outline realistic and achievable goals and become an online tool for preservation with local applications, resources, best practices and links providing beneficial information.

The first step in the planning process is identifying local

AUSTIN, Texas—The Texas issues and needs. To accomplish this, the THC developed a fast and simple online survey for the public to the important preservation issues affecting Fund Grants: Angelina College their communities. The survey is open for participation until Jan. 15, 2010 and input will help steer the direction of the Statewide Preservation Plan from the beginning.

Preserving Texas history and places means many things to many people and the THC anticipates an enthusiastic College, \$208,500; Grayson response.

To learn more about the Statewide Preservation Planning process and take the online survey visit www.thc.state.tx.us and click on Making Big Plans for Texas. For additional information contact the THC's Agency Planner Tracey Silverman at 512.936.9615 tracey.silverman@thc.state.tx.us.

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www.window.state.tx.us/

specialrpt/workforce.

NEW YEAR— senior citizens enjoy good food and fellowship.

AUSTIN—Texas Comptroller Susan Combs announced today 13 recipients of \$2.26 million in Job Building Fund grants to help finance equipment purchases for new career and technical education programs that support highgrowth industries throughout

"I commend these institutions for rising to the challenge of addressing Texas' work force needs," Combs said. "These grants will help schools finance up-front costs associated with equipment purchases related to their career and technical education programs, laying the foundation to prepare more Texans for employment in

The Comptroller's office selected the following institutions for Job Building (Lufkin), \$250,000; Panola College (Carthage), \$249,813; Lone Star College System (Cypress-Fairbanks area), \$245,500; Alamo Community College District (San Antonio), \$236,690; Wharton Community College, \$229,318; Tyler Junior County College (Denison), \$188,460; Lamar State College - Orange, \$150,000; Midland College, \$144,500; Austin Community College District, \$105,000; South Texas College (McAllen), \$100,240; Trinity Valley Community College (Athens),

\$97,000; and El Paso Community College District, \$52,445.

Schools that receive Job Building Fund grants must provide matching funds in the form of cash, equipment, materials, supplies and/or personnel costs. The Comptroller's office selected grant recipients based on each project's potential economic return to the state and on endeavors that involve dualcredit programs with local high schools or cooperative arrangements with other colleges. Priority was given to projects that target highdemand occupations and new or emerging industries.

The Job Building Fund is a component of the Comptroller's \$25 million Every Chance Funds program. The program also includes the \$5 million Career and Technical Scholarship Fund, which allocates money for

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off agen the walls, too, but all and slept till sunup. he done was scrape off some When I riz up and seen how late

bucked nearly all afternoon!

shaken the stars and sweat and my laig. blood out of my eyes and dismounted by the simple made a half-hearted attempt to loose. bite me but all he done was to bite the buckle offa my

the bowl and cooked me what was left of the b'ar meat, and He tried to scrape me then I lay down on the ground

hide and most of my pants, it was, I jumped up and run and though it was when he lurched looked over the wall, and there agen that outjut of rock that I was Cap'n Kidd mowing the got them ribs cracked, I grass down as ca'm as you please. He give me a mean look, but didn't say nothing. I was so He looked like he was eager to see if he was going to let able to go on forever, and me ride him without no more aimed to, but I hadn't never foolishness that I didn't stop for met nothing which could breakfast, nor to fix the buckle outlast me, and I stayed with onto my gunbelt. I left it hanging him, even after I started on a spruce limb, and clumb into bleeding at the nose and mouth the bowl. Cap'n Kidd laid back and ears, and got blind, and his ears but didn't do nothing as then all to onst he was standing I approached outside of making stock still in the middle of the a swipe at me with his left hoof. I bowl, with his tongue hanging dodged and give him a good out about three foot, and his hearty kick in the belly and he sweat-soaked sides heaving, grunted and doubled up, and I and the sun was just setting clapped the saddle on him. He over the mountains. He'd showed his teeth at that, but he let me cinch it up, and put on the hackamore, and when I got on But he was licked. I him he didn't pitch but about ten knowed it and he knowed it. I jumps and make but one snap at

Well, I was plumb process of pulling my feet out tickled as you can imagine. I of the stirrups and falling off. I clumb down and opened the gap laid there for maybe a hour, in the wall and led him out, and and was most amazing sick, when he found he was outside but so was Cap'n Kidd. When the bowl he bolted and dragged I was able to stand on my feet me for a hundred yards before I taken the saddle and the managed to get the rope around hackamore off and he didn't a tree. After I tied him up kick me nor nothing. He jest though, he didn't try to bust

I started back towards gunbelt. They was a little the tree where I left my gunbelt spring back in the cleft where when I heard hosses running, the bowl narrered in the cliff, and the next thing I knowed and plenty of grass, so I Donovan and his five men busted figgered he'd be all right when into the open and pulled up with he was able to stop blowing their mouths wide open. Cap'n and panting long enough to eat Kidd snorted warlike when he seen 'em, but didn't cut up no other way.

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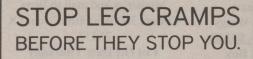
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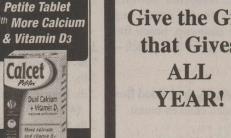
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30 Ac. - 1BR-2B home with knotty | SOLD ecluded. Heavily treed with liveoaks and cedar.

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#### **USDA** enhances integrity & defensibility of Programs and streamlines payment limits for family farmers

WASHINGTON, Dec. 31, adjusted gross income (AGI) and Counter-cyclical Program 2009 - Agriculture Secretary exceeds certain limits. The Tom Vilsack today announced limits set in the 2008 Farm Bill the Internal Revenue Service to average AGI for commodity reduce fraud in farm programs and disaster programs; and streamlining payment \$750,000 farm average AGI limits for family farmers. The for direct payments; and \$1 actions are intended to million nonfarm average AGI strengthen the integrity and defensibility of USDA farm the agricultural industry to reviews data from tax returns, meet requirements included in the 2008 Farm Bill.

"Today's announcement will ensure that the producers who limitations from the 2008 Farm depend upon the safety net of USDA programs will have a record that indicates whether future access to these or not the program participant programs by enhancing the appears to meet the income the legal entity is held by overall integrity of the limits. Written consent will be programs," said Vilsack. "It will also provide more flexibility for family farm operations across

announcement, USDA has the review and evaluation finalized a Memorandum of Understanding with the Internal Revenue Service to establish an information exchange process for verifying compliance with the adjusted gross income provisions for programs administered by USDA's FSA and Natural Resources Conservation Service. This agreement will ensure that payments are not These rules apply to eligibility issued to producers whose for payments under the Direct

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for conservation programs.

The electronic process that performs a series of calculations, and compares these values to the AGI Bill FSA and NRCS will receive required from each producer or payment recipient for this process. No actual tax data will be included in the report that As part of today's IRS sends to USDA. As part of process, participants whose AGI may exceed the limits will be offered an opportunity to provide third party verification or other information to validate

their income. Meanwhile, beginning with the 2010 program year, USDA govern the requirements to be 'actively engaged' in farming.

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### **Texas Fort Trails** ANNUAL WORKSHOP Focuses on **Tourism**

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