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CROSS PLAINS, CALLAHAN COUNTY, TEXAS 76443

NUMBER 50



7TH PLACE WINNER AT FORT WORTH STOCK SHOW—Members of the Turkey Creek Ranch Syndicate (left to right) Patrick Rayes, Dallas; John Aughinbaugh, Fort Worth, owner of Turkey Creek Ranch, Cross Plains; Warren Ely, Austin; and J.T. Aughinbaugh, Fort Worth Stock Show Syndicate Director, Fort Worth; and Cierra Odom.

Hometown Girl Wins Big in Fort Worth Stock Show

By Vanda Anderson
Editor

Cierra Odom, member of the Cross Plains FFA, placed 7th in the Heavy, Heavy European Cross Division with her Maine Anjou steer named "Snickers". Weighing 1460 pounds, he was the second largest steer in the auction. There were over 70 head in this division. Tony Austin of Weatherford was the breeder.

Miss Odom had the distinction of being the only Callahan County exhibitor to make the sale. This was a great accomplishment for a local student due to the quality of animals shown at the Fort Worth Stock Show on February 5th.

Conda and Dee Odom of Azle and Hanna and Rick Adams of Cross Plains are Cierra's proud parents.

Members of the Turkey Creek Ranch Syndicate consisting of John Aughinbaugh, Fort Worth, owner of Turkey Creek Ranch, Cross Plains, Patrick Rayes, Dallas, Warren Ely, Austin and J.T. Aughinbaugh, Fort Worth

Stock Show Syndicate Director, Fort Worth purchased Cierra's steer.

At \$5.50 per pound, she will receive a check from Fort Worth Stock Show Syndicate for \$8,500.00.

The Fort Worth Stock Show Syndicate is the largest single financial supporter of the Fort Worth Stock Show and Rodeo, and they do it by buying all the animals exhibited by the youth exhibitors.

Sale prices set all-time highs for the Sale with the Grand Champion bringing \$210,000 and Reserve Grand Champion \$200,000. Total money raised in the 2010 Sale was \$2.7 million.

FWSS Syndicate was founded in 1980 by a small group of Fort Worth businessmen. The group recognized that the prices being paid at the Stock Show steer sale for the animals owned and exhibited by 4-H and FFA youth were below market price. They agreed that these prices were not fairly compensating these young exhibitors for their hard work and dedication.

Currently, the Stock Show

Syndicate membership of 100 area businessmen volunteer their time and energy to raise the money to buy each animal at the Sale of Champions of the last Saturday of the Stock Show. With more than 400 gracious sponsors who recognize the value of this mission, they have raised just over \$20.5 million for the youth exhibitors and provided over \$570,000 in scholarships for 4-H and FFA members, and helped more than 5,100 kids pursue their dreams.

John Aughinbaugh has owned the Turkey Creek Ranch property for seven years, and since then has also purchased a part of the original Odom ranches which today is still called Odom Ranch. So there is a sentimental tie to the Odom family, as well as a strong loyalty to the Cross Plains community.

Aughinbaugh stated, "We believe in supporting these great American youth on their journey to further American agriculture. Keep sending Cross Plains kids to the Show, and we'll keep buying their steers."

STILL No New Candidates in the Local Elections for the City Council and School Board Trustees March 8th is the LAST Day to File for Elections

The 2-year terms of Councilmen Jerry Cassle and Bob Kirkham and Mayor Ray Purvis are expiring.

Currently incumbents Ray Purvis, Jerry Cassle, Bob Kirkham have all filed for re-election.

The 3-year terms of school

board trustees, Tommy Ames, Hoyt Foster and John Fred McWilliams are expiring. John Fred McWilliams was appointed to complete Vicki Dillard's term when she resigned.

No one has filed for the trustee election at this time. Remember time is running out.

March 8, 2010 is the deadline to file for both elections. City council and mayor candidates must file at the City Hall during their regular office hours.

School board trustee candidates may file at the Superintendent's office during their regular hours.

The general election will be held May 8, 2010

Community Wide Meeting Concerning Upcoming Census to be Held Tuesday March 9th

There will be a community wide meeting on March 9, 2010 at 6:00 p.m. at the Cross Plains Senior Citizens Center concerning the upcoming CENSUS.

This meeting is to help answer any questions about the Census form you will be receiving in the mail to fill out and return.

There will be a representative

there to give information on the importance of filling this form out correctly and to answer any questions about the form itself, or the purpose of the Census.

A meal of brisket sandwiches will be provided for all who attend the meeting that is sponsored by the Cross Plains Chamber of Commerce.

Please plan to attend.

American Legion Post 423 to Meet this Thursday

The American Legion Post 423 will hold their regular monthly meeting Thursday, February 25th at the local American Legion Hall beginning at 6:30 p.m.

A meal will be served and all wives are cordially invited.

Members and perspective members are encouraged to attend the meeting.

Democratic, Republican Primaries are Tuesday in Callahan County

Voting in the Democratic Party Primary and the Republican Party Primary elections will take place from 7:00 a.m. until 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, March 2nd at seven voting precincts located throughout Callahan County.

Early voting in the Democratic and Republican Party Primary elections will conclude on Friday, February 26th in Callahan County, according to County Clerk Donna Bell.

Early voting will take place at the Callahan County Courthouse located at 100 West 4th Street in Baird. Early voting will also take place from 8:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m. through Friday, February 26th.

Branch early voting will be held at the Clyde Justice of the Peace office located at 208 Oak Street in Clyde. Early voting will also take place through Friday, February 26th from 8:00 a.m. until 12:00 noon and from 1:00 p.m. until 5:00 p.m.

Branch early voting will also take place at the Cross Plains Justice of the Peace Office located at 424 South Main in Cross Plains. Early voting will also take place through Friday, February 26th from 8:00 a.m. until 12:00 noon and from 1:00 p.m. until 5:00 p.m.

The Democratic Party Primary

Tuesday, March 2, 2010
Democratic Party & Republican Party Primary Election
Callahan County Polling Places

- Precinct #1, Clyde Woman's Club Building
- Precinct #2, Eula Lions Club Building
- Precinct #3, Baird Activity Center
- Precinct #4, Cross Plains Community Center
- Precinct #5, Putnam Community Center
- Precinct #6, Clyde Southside Baptist Church
- Precinct #7, Oplin Community Center

Election and the Republican Party Primary Election will take place from 7:00 a.m. until 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, March 2nd in Callahan County.

Those seven voting locations in Callahan County include:
Clyde Precinct #1: Clyde Woman's Club Building, 317 South 1st Street, Clyde.

Eula Precinct #2: Eula Lions Club Building, 5776 FM 603 in Eula.

Baird Precinct #3: Baird Activity Center, 228 Walnut Street, Baird.

Cross Plains Precinct #4: Cross Plains Community Center, 108 Beech Street, Cross Plains.

Putnam Precinct #5: Putnam Community Center, 120 West Travis, Putnam.

Clyde Precinct #6: Clyde Southside Baptist Church, 641 Hunt Street, Clyde.

Oplin Precinct #7: Oplin Community Center, 8990 FM 2926 in Oplin.

A Republican Party Primary ballot and Democratic Party Primary sample ballot are located inside this week's newspaper.

Details for Upcoming Community Shower for the Morgan Family Announced

By Vanda Anderson
Editor

A Community Shower has been organized for Bob and Carolyn Morgan who lost their home to devastating fire on February 7th. The Shower will be held Saturday, March 6th from 2 to 3:30 p.m. in the home of Cliff and Connie Kirkham.

Selections will be at Higginbotham's, Johnson's Dry Goods, Target, Wal-Mart and J.C.

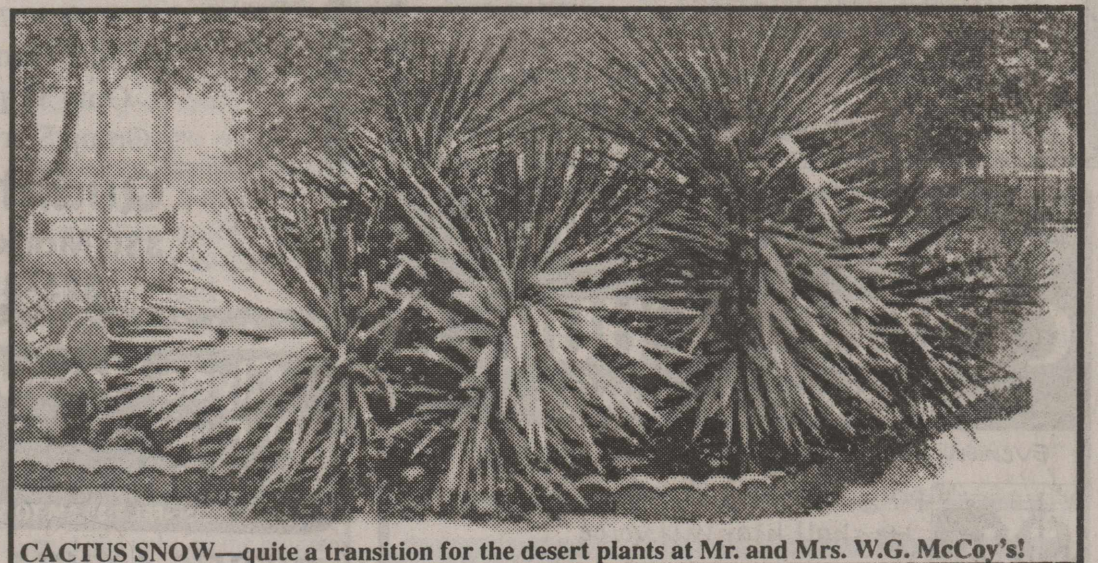
Penney. The kitchen color is pastel yellow with apples and sunflowers; master bedroom earth tones; baths tan, browns and sage green; guest bedrooms neutrals with warm blues.

All the couple's belongings were totally destroyed by fire, extreme heat, smoke and water damage. Your generosity will be greatly appreciated as they re-establish their home.

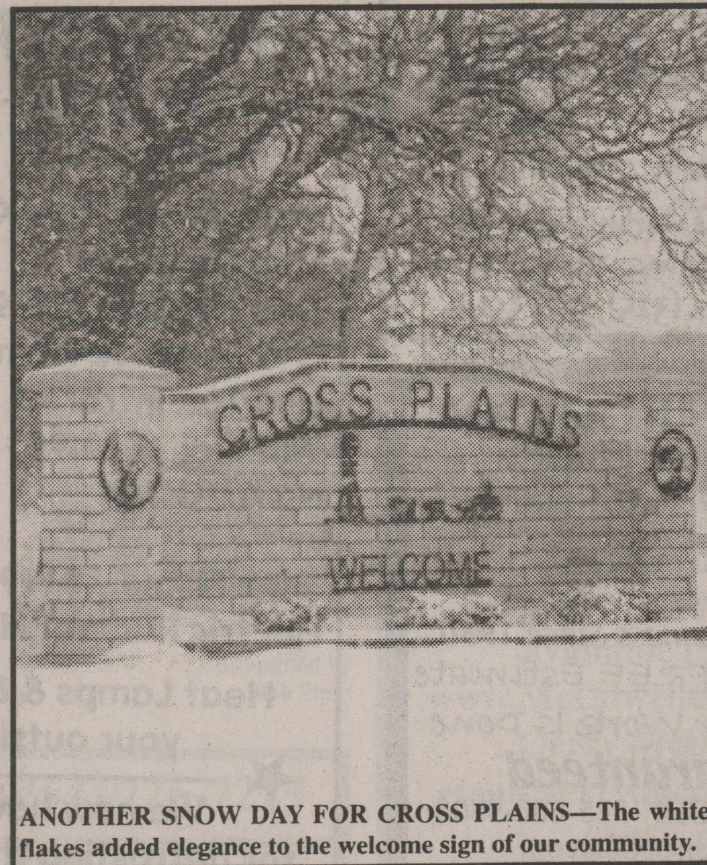
Individuals have asked if Bob's steel guitar, etc. were destroyed

in the fire and they were. He stated that all his musical instruments, amplifiers, etc. were ruined. Bob has been providing great country and western music for everyone's entertainment for many years.

Please remember the Love Fund established at Texas Heritage Bank, as monetary gifts are beneficial at this time, too. Continue to pray for this couple during this trying time in their life.



CACTUS SNOW—quite a transition for the desert plants at Mr. and Mrs. W.G. McCoy's!



ANOTHER SNOW DAY FOR CROSS PLAINS—The white flakes added elegance to the welcome sign of our community.

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OBITUARIES

Betah H. "Jack" Freeland, Jr.

Betah H. "Jack" Freeland, Jr., 79, passed away Tuesday, February 9, 2010 in a Ft. Worth hospital. Services with military honors were held at the Chapel of Parker Funeral Home at 1:00 Friday, February 12, 2010 in Baird.

Jack Freeland was born in Cottonwood, Texas on April 7, 1930. He attended school in Cottonwood and graduated from Baird High School and Texas Tech University. He served his country in the U.S. Army during the Korean War and worked in petroleum engineering for 40 years. He was a 50 year Mason. After retirement Jack became a CPA and a real estate agent, living for many years in Granbury, Texas.

He was a loving husband and proud and doting father, grandfather and great-grandfather. He touched many lives with just his laughter and smile. He will sorely be missed and may his loving humorous spirit live on in all of us.

Survivors include his wife Omega "Mickey" Freeland; daughters, Wynn Renee Freeland and husband James Harris Rudolph and Terrie Marie Tollett and husband Michael Lee Tollett; grandchildren Nicole Danielle Freeland, Michael Cody Tollett and wife Melissa Leighann Tollett and Collin Lee Tollett and wife Jenna Theresa Tollett; great-grandson Cody Braxton Tollett; and many nieces, nephews and friends.

Joan Neeb Darnell

Joan Neeb Darnell, 83, passed away February 16, 2010 in Atlanta, Georgia following a lengthy illness. Services were held Saturday, February 20, 2010.

She was born October 1, 1926 to R.M. and Dona Neeb in the Dressy Community in Callahan County, Texas. Joan started to school at Dressy and moved to Cross Plains Schools when they consolidated. She graduated from Cross Plains High School in 1944. She never missed one day of school.

Joan married Ed Darnell in 1949 and enjoyed 59 years of marriage. Ed retired from the military after 30 years of service. The couple resided in several states and even in France for 2 years. He preceded her in death in 2008. Joan was a Baptist.

Survivors include a son, Joe Ed Darnell of Gaston, Alabama; a daughter, Charley Duffy of Atlanta, Georgia; a brother, Paul Neeb of Cross Plains; and three nephews.

Community Builders Award

The Baird Masonic Lodge 522 is happy to announce that Aubrey Loper is the recipient of the 2010 Community Builders Award. The award will be presented on Saturday, March 6th at 2:00 p.m., at the Masonic Lodge located at 235 Market Street in Baird.

Aubrey has made a large contribution to the community over the last 25 years. Over his lifetime he has been loyal in the service to his Country, Community, Church and Family.

The Lodge cordially invites all of Aubrey's relatives and many friends to attend and celebrate this occasion with him at an open house at the Lodge.

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COUNTY COURT- HOUSE NEWS

Roger Corn, Presiding

Misdemeanor Filings

Aaron D. Wilde, theft by check.

Lisa K. Lee, theft by check.
Nathaniel J. Hawkins, driving while intoxicated (DWI).

Kelly G. Kilpatrick, possession of marijuana.

Danny Cannon, assault.

Misdemeanor Minutes

Nicky L. Hollis, motion to dismiss to theft by check granted, defendant sentenced to prison.

Anthony Fiorentini, request for extension of probation granted.

Samuel Serna, plea of guilty to possession of marijuana, 18 month probation, \$500 fine, \$310 court costs.

Johnny Guerrero Jr., order discharging defendant from probation under deferred adjudication.

Tommy Lee Phillips, request for extension of probation granted.

Dory H. Sellers, order extending probation granted.

Jonathan D. Carrion, order amending conditions of probation granted.

Robert K. Morris, order releasing cash bond granted.

Marriage Licenses

Daniel C. Gibbs and Angela D. Wallace, both of Abilene.

42nd DISTRICT COURT

John Weeks, presiding

Criminal Minutes

End of term order discharging defendants under deferred adjudication: Daniel P. Bushnell; Michael R. Robinson; Joseph C. Hyles.

Civil Filings

State of Texas vs. Billy Ray Floyd, application for writ of habeas corpus seeking bond reduction.

Discover Bank vs. Libern Scott Sr., default on note.

Civil Minutes

Sharyn T. Hill, Susan T. Maddox and Cody Ryan Bradshaw vs. Elizabeth Anne Wood Hillburn, judgment granted on property settlement.

Edward Park vs. Johnny Wood and Linda Wood, judgment granted on property settlement.

Capital Farm Credit, PCA vs. Stacy Montgomery and Brenda L. Montgomery, judgment granted, plaintiff to recover the sum of \$26,690.67 from defendants.

Lyman Henry Brigham and Oral bell Wilson Jenson, decree of annulment granted.

Mary Holden, individually and as next friend of Raven Holden vs. Charlie Hopkins & Beverly Hopkins, agreed judgment granted, plaintiffs to recover the sum of \$25,000.00 from defendants.

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Sunday

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COTTONWOOD NEWS

BEVERLY BROWN



COTTONWOOD HISTORICAL ASSOCIATION BOARD MEMBERS—R. T. Peevy, left, H. D. Herman Weaver and Phillip Bennett, back, and Bryan Bennett, far right, examine the quilt that was presented to longtime Cottonwood Schoolmaster Harry S. Varner upon his retirement. The quilt was recently donated to the association from the Varner Family.

Cottonwood Historical Association board members were surprised on Saturday with a quilt donated to the association by the Varner Family.

The quilt, a hand-made friendship quilt, was presented to longtime Cottonwood Schoolmaster Harry S. Varner at the time of his retirement. Most of the students that attended school in Cottonwood were taught a class by Mr. Varner at one time or another. R. T. Peevy

remembers Mr. Varner teaching 6th, 7th and 8th grade at the same time in one room. According to R. T., you could get a whole high school education in one year!

The Varner Family lived in the house just past the Baptist parsonage that had at one time belonged to Dr. Quilla Griffin. Ethel Anderson lived in the house in the 1960s and 1970s.

The quilt was donated to the Historical Association by Sue Varner Wilkins and the Varner

grandchildren. Sue is the daughter of the late Durwood B. Woody Varner, who was well-known in Cottonwood.

Names of many local residents and students are embroidered on the quilt. Some of the family names: Bennett, Coats, Purvis, Respass, Ivie, Wilson and others.

The quilt will be on display at the Cottonwood Historical Association's Annual Meeting on Saturday, May 1, 2010.

RISING STAR NURSING CENTER

JOHNNIE ELLIOTT

We had a great Valentine Day, Karolyn Soto who is filling in for Dona, had the place decorated with help and supervision from the residents and everything looked very nice.

We crowned our Royalty of the Day, Queen Hazel Campbell and King James Lewis. This was made special by the presence of Queen Hazel's four daughters, who were able to be here for the occasion.

The residents made and decorated the cake that was served for the party and the punch was color coordinated with raspberry ice cream, of course.

We appreciate the anonymous donor and Tim's Floral for the Valentine centerpieces in all the rooms.

A big "Thank You" to the First Baptist Church in Rising Star for the carnation bud vases and the Cross Plains Garden Club for the treat bags they brought for everyone. These thoughtful gestures make our residents feel so special and we appreciate all of you.

So that we never have a dull moment, we had Fifties Day on Friday. Karolyn transitioned the dining room from red and white to numerous items and decorations related to the 50's, including life size posters of Elvis. We had hamburgers grilled by Chef Danee and real French fries followed by ice cream floats served in our "real" Coke glasses that afternoon. A good time was had by all and we are looking

forward to next month and St. Patrick's Day.

On Friday of this week we will have a houseful of nurses as we sponsor Venipuncture training for our nurses, as well as the student nurses from Ranger College. This is in addition to the regular training they receive and we are proud to be able to offer this inservice.

As many of you know, our Activity Director Dona McIntire has been in the hospital for surgery to remove a brain aneurysm and we are so relieved to report that the surgery went well and she is home for recuperation. Please keep her and her husband, Larry, in your thoughts and prayers.

LIBRARY NOTES

February 16-19, 2010

Patrons:	104
Programs:	13
LP	7
LS	2
Others	5
Books Checked Out:	110
Copies:	60
Reference:	5
Internet Users:	57
Interlibrary Loan:	1

Donations:

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Memorials:

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Sharene Deshmukh and Family Lurene McNutt and Family

In Memory of Donna Eager Mona Eager Tappan

In Memory of Jewel Mae Barnett

Roger and Joyce Klingberg In Memory of Edwin Weiss

Leslie and Charlou Cowan In Memory of Jack Freeland

Sharene Deshmukh and Family Lurene McNutt and Family

Volunteers:

Arlene Stephenson Sue Bennett Beverly Ross Lavonne Childress Wilma Lawrence

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

Chili and Stew Night and Country Musical

Saturday, March 27th has been named "Chili & Stew Night" in Cottonwood, as the Cottonwood Historical Association will be serving up homemade Chili and Stew, along with a Country Musical for an evening of good food and good music.

Area musicians are invited to come out to Cottonwood and play at the event, the proceeds of which will go towards repair and maintenance at the Cottonwood Community Center.

Musicians that performed at Cottonwood Musicals in the old days and musicians that are new to Cottonwood are both welcome to come and play. Call Cookie Robinson at 254-725-4127 or Beverly Brown at 254-7369 if you'd like to be on the program.

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Kiwanis Pancake Supper, Thursday, March 11

It is only TWO weeks away till the **Kiwanis Pancake Supper—Thursday night, March 11**. The "suggested donation" for so much good food—"all the pancakes and sausage you can eat"—is only \$5 per adult, \$3 for those 12 and under. Where can you get a deal like that?!

Of course in coming and eating, you get to help the Kiwanis Club with their many programs of help during the year. They are too numerous to list but they are primarily directed toward the youth.

The Key Club of Cross Plains

High School, sponsored by the Kiwanis Club, will be joining the Kiwanis in serving, helping to meet your every need.

The date again for the Pancake Supper is **Thursday night, March 11 (5-7 p.m.)**. The place is the **Cross Plains School Cafeteria**. You may go ahead and purchase your tickets from any Kiwanian—or pay at the door.

The Kiwanis Club of Cross Plains thanks you in advance for your support. See you at the Pancake Supper!

Submitted by Bob Pipes

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SENIOR CITIZEN CENTER ACTIVITIES:

BY AMBER THOMAS

WEEKLY ACTIVITIES

Monday 1st- Movie Monday 10am, Cokes and Popcorn.
Tuesday 2nd- 11 am Exercise Class. Mexican Train Dominoes 10am
Wednesday 3rd-Nutrition Education
Thursday 4th-11:00 am Exercise Class. Washer Tournament 10:00 am.
Friday 5th- Breakfast fundraiser starting at 7:30 am. Breakfast burritos \$2.00. Bingo 12:30pm.

Senior Center Needs

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

Senior News Updates

A big thanks to Mike and Karen Mazanec for the donation of an old fashioned popcorn cart. Just in time for Movie Mondays! Come enjoy some fresh popped popcorn and a good ole movie with great company.

There is a Kountry Store at the center these days! All items are \$2.00 and everything is brand new! There are bins full of unique plaques, knick knacks, knives and numerous decoration items. The sale of these items are part of the fundraiser underway at the center to purchase a Wii fit, new lights, new ceiling tile and a big screen tv. Come find a something you can't live without!

A huge thanks to all who came

to eat breakfast burritos for our breakfast fundraiser! We were very blessed to have made over \$300.00 in donations. Thanks to Mexico City who donated the hot sauce. The plan is to have a breakfast once a month. Breakfast burritos are on the menu again and if you have a business we will deliver to businesses! Call your order in at 254.725.6521!

Tickets are still for sale for the crocheted bedspread. The bedspread can be seen at Texas Heritage Bank. Tickets are \$1.00 each or 6 for \$5.00. Tickets are available at the Senior Center, the Bank, and City Hall.

Delivery Drivers Needed to Help Deliver Meals

The Senior Center is looking for a few great people to volunteer a few days a month to deliver meals.

There are spots available on

Monday's and Tuesday's. It takes about 45 minutes to deliver. If you are interested please call the center at 725-6521.

SENIOR CITIZENS MENU

MARCH 1-5

MONDAY -Mexican Chicken Soup, Cornbread, Fruit, Dessert, Tea/Coffee/Milk	Milk
TUESDAY -Swiss Steak, Mashed Potatoes, Black Eyed Peas, Bread & Dessert, Tea/Coffee/Milk	THURSDAY -Smothered Chicken, Rice, Mix Vegetables, Bread & Dessert, Tea/Coffee/Milk
WEDNESDAY -German Sausage, Mac and Cheese, Spinach, Bread & Dessert, Tea/Coffee/	FRIDAY -Ham Salad Sandwich, Copper Penny Salad, Lettuce, Tomatoes, Pickles, Dessert, Tea/Coffee/Milk

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Our Greatest Need

Love is a term used in many ways and even as a reason for many selfish actions. But the greatest definitions of love comes from God and is followed by the greatest demonstration of love. Jesus said, "The greatest love is when someone lays down his life for his friend." He then proceeded to Jerusalem and laid down his life for his friends.

Live is made of minutes, hours and days. Once we use an hour, we never get it back. It is gone forever. The minutes we give to another person are usually the greatest expression of love we can give. We can give flowers or things that cost money, but nothing compares to the self-less gift of time. A quality relationship takes time; given in love. The gift of time to another person IS laying down your life for another. To restore a broken relationship requires this kind of gift. Paul in his book called **Romans** explains that Jesus laid down his life for us, while we were still His enemy, in order that we might have a restored relationship that was broken by selfish desires.

Do you have broken relationships that need restoration? Jesus has the answer and can show you the way. A child conceived in love and born into a loving family is a small example of heaven on earth. Only God could create such a plan for a baby. And only God could provide, through the spirit of Jesus, a way for us to be born again into His loving family. His purpose for us is really good news!

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

SCHOOL BOARD MINUTES

The Cross Plains I.S.D. Board of Trustees met in a regular meeting with the following members present: Tommy Ames, Jim Cook, John McWilliams, Michael Cowan and Hoyt Foster.

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

Motion was made by Ames and seconded by McWilliams to accept the minutes as read. For 5 Against 0

Motion was made by Foster and seconded by Ames to pay the bills. For 5 Against 0

Motion was made by Ames and seconded by McWilliams to apply for a TEA Waiver which adds three staff development days and reduces student days by 3 for 2010-11 year. For 5 Against 0

Motion was made by Foster and seconded by McWilliams to accept the 2010-11 school calendar. For 5 Against 0

Motion was made by Foster and seconded by McWilliams to take an early dismissal on March 29, 2010 UIL Academic Meet. For 5

Against 0

Motion was made by McWilliams and seconded by Foster to change the March Board Meeting date to Thursday, March 25, 2010. For 5 Against 0

The board went into executive session at 8:23 p.m. and returned at 9:30 p.m.

Motion was made by Foster and seconded by McWilliams to extend Kevin Bryant's contract for 1 year 2011-12. For 5 Against 0

Motion was made by Ames and seconded by Foster to extend Margie Sowell's contract for 1 year 2011-12. For 5 Against 0

Motion was made by McWilliams and seconded by Foster to extend Dianne Dobbins' contract for 1 year 2011-12. For 5 Against 0

Motion was made by Ames and seconded by McWilliams to accept the resignation of teacher's aide Jarrah Hutchins. For 5 Against 0

Motion was made by Foster and seconded by McWilliams to adjourn. For 5 Against 0

3rd 4-H Vet Science Meeting Set for March 8, 2010 in Clyde

The 3rd and final Vet Science meeting for this year is scheduled for Monday, March 8, 2010 at 7:00 p.m.

The meeting will be conducted at the Callahan County Veterinary Clinic.

4-H members are encouraged to mark this on

your calendars.

This will be the final meeting for this year. If you have any questions call the Extension office in Baird at (325) 854-5835.

Hope to see you on March 8th.

SCHOOL LUNCH MENU

MARCH 1-5

BREAKFAST

MONDAY-Sausage, Biscuit, Gravy, Fresh Fruit, Assorted Juice, Milk
TUESDAY-Sausage n Blanket, Fresh Fruit, Assorted Juice, Milk
WEDNESDAY-Waffle Sticks, Sausage, Fresh Fruit, Assorted Juice, Milk
THURSDAY-Donut, Yogurt, Fresh Fruit, Assorted Juice, Milk
FRIDAY-Hot or Cold Cereal, Toast, Fresh Fruit, Assorted Juice, Milk

LUNCH

MONDAY-BBQ on Bun, Corn on Cob, Chips, Diced Peaches, Milk
TUESDAY-Oven Fried Chicken, Scalloped Potatoes, Green Beans, Roll, Honey, Milk
WEDNESDAY-Fiesta Salad (Chili Beans, Salad, Rice, Corn, Chips, Cheese) Pineapple Chunks, Milk
THURSDAY-Lasagna or Corn Dog, Broccoli, Garlic Toast, Mixed Fruit, Milk
FRIDAY-Beef or Chicken Patty on Bun, Lettuce, Tomato & Pickles, Baked Wedges, Cookie, Milk

Have a great week!

Powerlifting Results

The Cross Plains High School Powerlifters attended the Stephenville Powerlifting Meet on February 20th.

Winners include:

Tiffany Holland—2nd Place
Nick Adams—5th Place.

Combs reminds families to enroll in prepaid college tuition program

(AUSTIN)—Just a few days remain for Texas families to enroll their children in the Texas Tuition Promise Fund at 2009-10 prices, Texas Comptroller Susan Combs said today. The current enrollment period for the state's prepaid college tuition program ends Feb. 28th.

"In this challenging economy, the Texas Tuition Promise Fund is an affordable way to save for college," Combs said. "For as little as \$15.45 a month, parents can provide the education their child will need for a good job and a secure future. They can prepay for a four-year degree, a two-year degree or just a few classes or semesters."

For complete information about the program, including prices, payment options and a college cost calculator, visit www.TuitionPromise.org or call (800) 445-GRAD (4723), Option 5.

After Feb. 28th, enrollment will close until September, except for newborns. New contract prices based on 2010-11 academic year costs for Texas public colleges and universities will be in effect when the next enrollment period begins.

2010 Little League Business Meeting

T-ball, Baseball, Pony League, Softball and Little League Football will be included in the 2010 Little League business meeting set for Monday, March 1, at 6:30 p.m. at the First Baptist Church Family Life Center.

Items to be discussed include: fundraising, 2010 calendar, election of officers and coaches, purchase of new equipment, grounds projects, financial reports, Little League Football, Softball, Pony League and much more.

If you would like to have input in this year's season as well as the financial future and priorities of this organization, this is the meeting that you need to attend.

Anyone interested in coaching, umpiring, or helping in any way needs to be at this meeting.

Children can come if necessary. However, we will ask that they play in the adjacent gym for the duration of the meeting. Supervision will not be provided.

Cross Plains Little League and I would like to sincerely thank our sponsors for the generous donations they have made to assist in the complete overhaul of our baseball facility. If you haven't driven through the park lately, come take a look at our progress and be sure to attend our opening day (TBA) parade, ceremony and games.

If you have any questions, please call Scott Byrd at 254-725-6836 or 325-669-4917.

Submitted by
Scott Byrd
 President
 Cross Plains Little League

Naval Academy accepting applications Summer Program 2010

ANNAPOLIS, Md.—Applications are being accepted Feb. 1st through March 31st for the United States Naval Academy Summer Seminar (NASS) 2010. NASS is designed for students who will have just completed their junior year of high school in the summer of 2010. This program is a fast-paced, six-day experience for high-achievers who may be interested in pursuing an appointment to one of the nation's service academies and serving as a military officer after graduation. NASS is held in three sessions: June 5th-10th, June 12th-17th and June 19th-24th.

Summer Seminar introduces students to the opportunities at the Naval Academy where academics, athletics, and professional training play equally important roles in developing our nation's leaders. Students will live in the dormitory, Bancroft Hall, eat in the dining facility, King Hall; participate in academic and leadership workshops; and experience a variety of other activities at the academy. Students will have an opportunity to see first-hand what the academy has to offer through its exceptional academic, athletic, extracurricular activities and leadership training programs.

The academy's current students, known as midshipmen, run the Summer Seminar training with oversight by active duty Navy and Marine Corps officers. Over 2,250 students from around the U.S. attend this rigorous program each year.

According to Naval Academy Summer Seminar officer-in-charge, Lt. John Meise, "If you are a student who wants a summer challenge with the opportunity to sample university-level academics at a first-rate engineering school, the Summer Seminar program will let you discover how the Naval Academy can help you achieve your goals, and give you a jump start on the admissions process."

By applying to the 2010 Summer Seminar, students are also applying for admission to the Naval Academy class of 2015. There is no need to submit a preliminary application when it becomes available on April 1st for students desiring to apply for admission to USNA.

Students with questions about NASS and the application process should call 410-293-1549 or visit www.usna.edu/admissions. The deadline for applications is March 31, 2010.

For more information about Naval Academy athletics, extracurricular activities and other general information, visit www.usna.edu.

After School Adventure Program Announces Next Presentation

With springtime just around the corner, members of the Cross Plains Garden Club will be presenting the next After School Adventure Program, or ASAP, at the Cross Plains Public Library.

They will be giving a plant potting presentation along with giving tips on gardening, answering questions, and relating how much pleasure can be

received from growing and nurturing plants.

Students will receive a plant to take home to care for and to watch the development of their very own plant.

Join us on Wednesday, March 3rd at 4:00 p.m.

Submitted by
Linda Burns, Librarian

Applications are Being Accepted Statewide for the Teacher's Conservation Institute

Lufkin, Texas—Applications are being taken for the 2010 Teachers' Conservation Institute. Sponsored by Texas Forestry Association, the Teacher's Conservation Institute (TCI) is a week-long summer workshop which uses the forest as a theme for environmental education. Activities are led by foresters, educators, natural resource conservationists and industry professionals.

Teachers will receive 45 hours of continuing education (SBEC) credit. TCI meets the requirements of Professional Development Appraisal System, and graduate credit is available.

All materials presented at TCI are correlated to TEKS and teaching strategies utilized are research-based and proven to improve students' achievement. TCI is field-based and provides opportunities for inquiry investigation. TCI provides teachers with activities to meet

requirement that 40 percent of science be taught in lab setting or field as stated by law and all activities are interdisciplinary. In addition, teachers receive certification in Project Learning Tree and Project WILD.

This year marks the 21st year of TCI. Sessions will be held June 27-July 2 and July 11-16, 2010. Registration is \$150 and includes all teaching materials and instruction, food, lodging and transportation during the workshop. Participants are responsible for travel to and from the Piney Wood Conservation Center near Broadus, Texas (www.sfasu.edu/forestry/pwcc).

To register for TCI, call (936) 632-TREE or download the registration form at www.texasforestry.org.

Texas Forestry Association is a non-profit trade association representing over 3,000 members who grow, manage, harvest and process forest resources.

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Cross Plains Buffaloes 2010 Baseball Schedule

Jan. 29	Fri	1st day for non-basketball players
Feb. 15	Mon	1st day for team baseball practice
Feb. 19	Fri	Scrimmage @ Coleman JV 5:00
Feb. 25-27	Thur-Sat	Winters Tournament TBA
Mar. 1	Mon	Home vs. Winters 5:00 (Or CP @ Winters)
Mar. 5	Fri	CP @ Abilene Christian 4:30
Mar. 9	Tue	CP @ Ranger 4:00
Mar. 11-13	Thur-Sat	Ranger Tournament TBA

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Mar. 19	Fri	CP @ Evant 5:00
Mar. 23	Tue	Home vs Golthwaite 5:00
Mar. 26	Fri	CP @ May 2:00
Mar. 30	Tue	Home vs Gorman 5:00
Apr. 2	Fri	CP @ DeLeon 5:00
Apr. 6	Tue	Home vs Evant 5:00
Apr. 9	Fri	CP @ Goldthwaite 5:00
Apr. 13	Tue	Home vs May 5:00
Apr. 16	Fri	CP @ Gorman 5:00
Apr. 20	Tue	Home vs DeLeon 5:00

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LOOK AT US NOW—Our class of 1958 met at the Fairway Oaks Country Club on February 17, 2010, celebrating our fourth annual Valentine's Party. The ones unable to come were truly missed, and in our prayers. As usual, we who attended had a wonderful visit, and look forward to many more class gatherings.

Those attending were: Billie Weaver (Front, from left), Mamie Foster Webb, and Naoma Goble Wilson; David Wells (Second row, from left), Darwin Breeding, Joyce Breeding, Linda Gary, Billy Dale Strickland, George Webb, Donna Garlitz Myers, Jeannie Albrecht Foller, and Kenneth Bell; Claude Champion (Back, from left), Joe Gary, Frances Wilson Thornton, Don Thornton, and Cecil Wilson.

They traveled from Cross Plains, Clyde, Abilene, Tuscola, Streetman, and Glenrose for the occasion.



PUPPET SHOW—Danny and the Do-rags to play show in Cross Plains next to Dollar General.

Puppet Show Set for Saturday, March 6th

Come and see Danny & the Do-rags perform their famous songs: "Oh How I Love Jesus", "Bible Book Bop", and "Saved by Grace".

We will be giving out prizes and candy, come and bring your whole family to this awesome puppet show on Saturday, March 6th.

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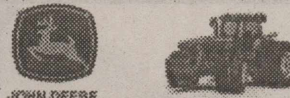
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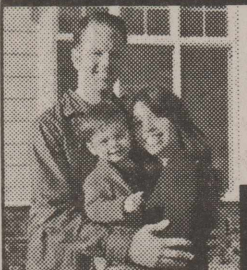
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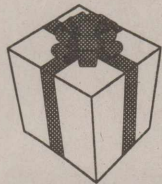
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34.4 Ac. - Nicely wooded hunting & pasture land. Oak, pecan, mesquite. Secluded getaway.	102,000
37 Ac. - Wonderful hilltop views! Excellent building location, great tree cover.	105,600
65 Ac. - Good fence. 60 ac. In cultivation. Pecan trees, oaks, nice pond. County water avail.	104,375
77 Ac. - Luxurious home on the Brazos River. Versatile. Lots of wildlife. Guest home/barn.	1,300,000
95.9 Ac. - Great combination place! Surrounded by oaks & postoaks. Excellent hunting.	191,800
93.66 Ac. - Beautiful Liveoak trees, seasonal creek & excellent soil. Great homesite! Hunting	225,000
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Letter to the Editor

Kudos need to be passed out

Dear Editor,
We so often forget to thank, recognize and praise Grandparents who are raising their grandchildren. They are truly unsung heroes.

I am sure there are many doing this and are doing a great job, but I would especially like to recognize Jane Ann Bryan of Clyde.

She not only loves and works with B.C. in a Christian home, she goes the extra mile to make his life more meaningful.

B.C. was allowed to invite two of his good friends, Libby Belcher and Miranda Hill, to the Clyde Junior High Valentine Dance. They came by for the girls and Jane had decorated the inside of her Mini Van like a limo, with lights and sheer curtains in the back and on the floor in front of the kiddos was a large plate of chocolate covered strawberries and cookies for the ride to the dance.

B.C. was dressed like a gentleman and conducted himself like one as well. He came to the door and brought the girls flowers and presented

them each with a camera, to take pictures at the dance.

They had a memorable evening, which they will never forget. Thanks to the creativity and love of Jane Ann Bryan.

There are other Kudos that need to be passed out to the parents who help with the Junior basketball and softball leagues.

We have found Jerry Don Black to be a wonderful coach and a great influence on the girls he works with. He is truly a gentleman and also a gentle man, he has the ability to coach constructively and make ball fun. They had one play that was called ice cream "how appropriate for him", they may have had one called "blue" or "bell" I am not sure but they had a fun and successful season.

One other that stands out in working for and with kiddos for several years, is Jeff Holland, one of my former students, he seems to be able to coordinate and officiate with a learning and friendly attitude.

Barbara Corn Baird, TX

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Are you interested in tracing your family, learning more about your ancestors? Join the Cross Plains Area Genealogy Society at the next meeting.

At 1:00 p.m. on Monday, March 1, CPAGS will meet at the Cross Plains Library. If you want help in starting your family tree we will be prepared to help, one-on-one. Our experienced genealogists will have resources available to help you get started.

Genealogy is a wonderful way to learn about your family and the history of the area, the state, and the nation.

If you are interested in applying for an Early Settler Certificate we can help you with that. We have books, microfilm and computers available to help.

See you Monday!

Submitted by
Sylvia Lacy King

Cross Plains Roping Club to Meet Thursday

The Cross Plains Roping Club will be having their monthly meeting this Thursday, February 23rd, at 7:00 p.m. at the local Dairy Queen.

Anyone who would like to become a member, please come to this meeting and be a part.

The club will be voting on

different things, so they would like everyone to come.

If you would like to become a member, please call Sarah Buchanan at 254-725-4459.

The first workday was held Saturday, February 20th at 1 p.m. and fifteen people showed up for the workday.

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County Clerk Secretario del Condado <input type="checkbox"/> Donna Bell	Precinct <i>Precinto</i> 4 Ballot Proposition #3: Cutting Federal Income Taxes In addition to aggressively eliminating irresponsible federal spending, Congress should empower American citizens to stimulate the economy by Congress cutting federal income taxes for all federal taxpayers, rather than spending hundreds of billions of dollars on so-called "federal economic stimulus". <i>Propuesta Electoral #3: Reducir los Impuestos Federales sobre los Ingresos</i> Además de agresivamente eliminar el gasto federal irresponsable, el Congreso debería dar el poder a los Ciudadanos Norteamericanos de estimular la economía mediante un recorte de los Impuestos Federales a todos los contribuyentes en lugar de gastar cientos de billones de dólares en los apodados "estimulos económicos federales". <input type="checkbox"/> YES <i>SI</i> <input type="checkbox"/> NO <i>NO</i>
County Treasurer Tesorero del Condado <input type="checkbox"/> Dianne Gunter	Ballot Proposition #4: Public Acknowledgement of God The use of the word "God", prayers, and the Ten Commandments should be allowed at public gatherings and public educational institutions, as well as be permitted on government buildings and property. <i>Propuesta Electoral #4: Reconocimiento Público de Dios</i> El uso de la palabra "Dios", las oraciones, y los Diez Mandamientos deberían ser permitidos en reuniones públicas y dentro de instituciones Públicas de Educación así como ser permitidos en edificios y terrenos gubernamentales. <input type="checkbox"/> YES <i>SI</i> <input type="checkbox"/> NO <i>NO</i>
County Commissioner, Precinct No. 4 Comisionado del Condado, Precinto Núm. 4 <input type="checkbox"/> Cliff Kirkham	Ballot Proposition #5: Sonograms The Texas Legislature should enact legislation requiring a sonogram to be performed and shown to each mother about to undergo a medically unnecessary, elective abortion. <i>Propuesta Electoral #5: Sonogramas</i> La Legislatura de Texas debería aprobar legislación que requiera que se tomase y mostrase un sonograma a cada madre que esté a punto de someterse a un aborto no indicado médicamente, de naturaleza opcional. <input type="checkbox"/> YES <i>SI</i> <input type="checkbox"/> NO <i>NO</i>
Justice of the Peace, Precinct No. 4 Juez de Paz, Precinto Núm. 4 <input type="checkbox"/> Burlie Taylor	Ballot Proposition #2: Controlling Government Growth Every government body in Texas should be required to limit any annual increase in its budget and spending to the combined increase of population and inflation unless it first gets voter approval to exceed the allowed annual growth or in the case of an official emergency. <i>Propuesta Electoral #2: Control del Crecimiento Gubernamental</i> Todo organismo gubernamental en Texas deberá ser requerido a limitar cualquier crecimiento anual de su presupuesto y gasto el aumento combinado de población e inflación salvo que antes obtenga aprobación de los votantes de exceder el límite anual o en caso que exista una emergencia oficial. <input type="checkbox"/> YES <i>SI</i> <input type="checkbox"/> NO <i>NO</i>
County Chairman Presidente del Condado <input type="checkbox"/> Reggie Pillans	Ballot Proposition #1: Photo ID The Texas legislature should make it a priority to protect the integrity of our election process by enacting legislation that requires voters to provide valid photo identification in order to cast a ballot in any and all elections conducted in the State of Texas. <i>Propuesta Electoral #1: Identificación con Fotografía</i> La Legislatura de Texas debería hacer prioritaria la protección de la integridad del proceso electoral mediante la aprobación de legislación que requiera que los votantes proporcionen una identificación válida con fotografía para poder ejercer el voto en cualquier contienda electoral celebrada en el Estado de Texas. <input type="checkbox"/> YES <i>SI</i> <input type="checkbox"/> NO <i>NO</i>

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Dr. Temple Grandin to address cattle raisers in Abilene

Fort Worth, Texas - World renowned animal behavior and handling expert Temple Grandin will address cattle producers in Abilene, March 9 at 1:30 p.m. The free event, hosted by the Texas and Southwestern Cattle Raisers Association (TSCRA) and Pfizer Animal Health, is designed to further educate ranchers of the importance of proper animal care and welfare. Grandin is best known in the livestock industry for her revolutionary work designing livestock handling facilities as well as her strong advocacy for autism. Grandin has authored numerous books including "Livestock Handling and Transport," "Genetics and the Behavior of Domestic Animals," and "Humane Livestock Handling." Her books "Animals in Translation" and "Animals Make Us Human" were both on the New York Times Best Seller list.

Most recently, Grandin was the subject of the HBO biopic "Temple Grandin" based on her book "Thinking in

Pictures." The event will be held at the Abilene Civic Center. RSVP by March 4th to 800-242-7820, ext. 192 or rsvp@texasscatterraisers.org. The Texas and Southwestern Cattle Raisers Association is a 133-year-old trade organization. As the largest livestock association in Texas, TSCRA represents more than 15,000 beef cattle producers, ranching families and businesses who manage approximately 4 million head of cattle on 51.5 million acres of range and pasture land, primarily in Texas and Oklahoma. TSCRA provides law enforcement and livestock inspection services, legislative and regulatory advocacy, industry news and information, insurance services and educational opportunities for its members and the industry. Dr. Grandin will also be speaking on human autism at the Abilene Civic Center from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. For questions regarding this session, please contact Melissa Richardson at 325-675-8636.

Republic Factory Built Homes, Ltd Receives Award for Excellence

Maryville, TN—Republic Factory Built Homes, Ltd of Early was recently recognized for consistently achieving the highest levels of customer satisfaction by Clayton Homes. The Clayton Homes Five Star Customer Service Award symbolizes Republic Factory Built Home, Ltd commitment and success in providing outstanding customer service.

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Lance Hull, Vice President of Clayton Manufacturing. "As a recipient of the Five Star Customer Service Award, Republic Factory Built Homes, Ltd is being recognized as a truly world class performer. It is a testament to their commitment of not just meeting but exceeding customer expectations." Clayton Homes, Inc. is a vertically integrated manufactured housing company with 36 home building facilities, distributing through 400 company-owned model home centers, and more than 1,100 independent retailers throughout the country.

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News for Veterans

By: Tom Ivey

The Texas Veterans Commission Office in Waco has sent word from the Department of Veterans Affairs regarding herbicide (Agent Orange) exposure for "blue water" and "brown water" sailors with Vietnam service. Naval personnel of the Vietnam era urged to read the following report for possible involvement.

Compensation and Pension (C&P) Service has initiated a program to collect data on Vietnam naval operations for the purpose of providing regional offices with information to assist with development in Haas related disability claims based on herbicide exposure from Navy Veterans.

To date, we have received verification from various sources showing that a number of offshore "blue water" naval vessels conducted operations on the inland "brown water" rivers and delta areas of Vietnam. We have also identified certain vessel types that operated primarily or exclusively on the inland waterways. The ships and dates of inland waterway service are listed below. If a Veteran's service aboard one of these ships can be confirmed through military records during the time frames specified, then exposure to herbicide agents can be presumed with our further development.

All vessels of Inshore Fire Support (IFS) Division 93

during their entire Vietnam tour
USS Carronade (IFS 1)
USS Clarion River (LSMR 409)
[Landing Ship, Medium, Rocket]

USS Francis River (LSMR 525)
USS White River (LSMR 536)

All vessels with the designation LST [Landing Ship, Tank] during their entire tour [WWII ships converted to transport supplies on rivers and serve as barracks for brown water Mobile Riverine Forces]

All vessels with the designation LCVP [Landing, Craft, Vehicle, Personnel] during their entire tour. [Also called Swift Boats, operating for enemy interdiction on close coastal waters]

All vessels with the designation PBR [Patrol Board, River] during their entire tour [Also called River Patrol Boats as part of the Mobile Riverine Forces operating on inland waterways and featured in the Vietnam film "Apocalypse Now"]

USS Ingersoll (DD-652)
[Destroyer] [Operated on Saigon River, October 24-25, 1965]

USS Mansfield (DD-728)
[Destroyer] [Operated on Saigon River August 8-19, 1967 and December 21-24, 1968]

USS Richard E. Kraus (DD-849)
[Destroyer] [Operated on coastal inlet north of Da Nang, June 2-5, 1966, protecting Marines holding a bridge]

USS Basilone (DD-824)
[Destroyer] [Operated on Saigon River, May 24-25, 1966]

USS Hamner (DD-718)
[Destroyer] [Operated on Song Lon Tao and Long Song Tao Rivers, August 14-September 1, 1966]

USS Conway (DD-507)
[Destroyer] [Operated on Saigon River, early August 1966]

USS Fiske (DD-842)
[Destroyer] [Operated on Mekong River, June 16-21, 1966]

USS Black (DD-666)
[Destroyer] [Operated on Saigon River, July 13-19, 1966]

USS Providence (CLG-6)
[Cruiser, Light, Guided Missile] [Operated on Saigon River 3 days during January 1964]

USS Mahan (DLG-11)
[Guided Missile Frigate] [Operated on Saigon River October 24-28, 1964]

USS Okanogan (APA-220)
[Attack Transport] [Operated on Saigon River July 22-23, 29-30 1968 and August 5-6, 1968]

USS Niagara Falls (AFS-3)
[Combat Stores Ship] [Unloaded supplies on Saigon River and Cam Rahn Bay, April 22-25, 1968]

Cell Phones for Soldiers Program Started Locally

Two drop off locations for recycling cell phones, MP3 players and iPods have been established locally. Texas Heritage Bank and Lawrence Farm and Ranch will be collecting the items that will be used to purchase prepaid calling cards for American troops.

Since starting Cell Phones for Soldiers in 2004, teens Brittany and Robbie Bergquist have raised millions of dollars to help our troops call home.

Please gather your old cell phones, MP3 players and iPods and donate them to this worthy cause.

To send cell phones please:

1. Deactivate phone(s) and turn off power.
2. Keep battery attached to phone. If battery is not attached, please tape over terminal ends.

Over two million Americans have already answered the call to Help Our Troops Call Home. Visit the website www.cellphonesforsoldiers.com to read letters from the troops, and learn about more ways you can make a difference.

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Private Sector Job Growth in 10 Largest States from 12/99 to 12/09

STATE	DEC. 1999	DEC. 2009	DIFFERENCE	PERCENT CHANGE
California	12,081,500	11,753,200	-328,300	-2.72%
Texas	7,790,000	8,514,300	724,300	9.30%
New York	7,206,400	7,131,200	-75,200	-1.04%
Florida	6,026,100	6,285,600	259,500	4.31%
Illinois	5,225,600	4,783,000	-442,600	-8.47%
Pennsylvania	4,957,100	4,871,900	-85,200	-1.72%
Ohio	4,897,700	4,322,700	-575,000	-11.74%
Michigan	3,988,800	3,208,500	-780,300	-19.56%
Georgia	3,354,600	3,170,000	-184,600	-5.50%
New Jersey	3,393,500	3,282,900	-110,600	-3.26%

Source: U.S. Department of Labor Bureau of Labor Statistics

Texas has largest 10-year growth in Private Sector Jobs among all States

AUSTIN – Texas Workforce Commission Chairman Tom Pauken today released figures showing that Texas created more private sector jobs than any other state in the nation over the last 10 years and has the lowest unemployment rate among the 10 largest states in the nation. Pauken cited the U.S. Department of Labor Bureau of Labor Statistics January 22, 2010 release of Current Employment Statistics for December 2009 showing Texas created 724,300 more net private sector jobs as compared to December 1999, the largest private sector job gain nationwide over the last decade.

Pauken also noted that among the 10 largest states as ranked by civilian labor force size, Texas was well ahead of all other large states in private sector job growth with a percentage net gain of 9.30 percent as compared to December 1999. Florida was the only other large state to realize a net gain in private sector employment over the same period with 259,500 net jobs gained for a percentage net gain of 4.31 percent from December 1999 to December 2009. The other 8 large states showed a net loss of private

sector jobs over the same period.

Nationally, over the last decade, the private sector experienced a net employment loss of 1,408 percent or 1,549,000 jobs lost.

"While these are obviously difficult economic times even in Texas, it is important to recognize what happens when a state has economic policies which encourage private sector job creation," said Pauken. "While the rest of the nation has only seen net growth in government jobs, Texas' business, tax, and economic policies have created an environment where businesses can succeed and create the jobs that will allow Texas to lead our nation out of this national recession."

For December, Texas showed the lowest overall seasonally-adjusted unemployment rate of large states at 8.3 percent, compared to 10 percent nationally. Comparing the other of the two largest states, California's seasonally adjusted unemployment rate was over four percentage points higher than Texas at 12.4 percent. Over the last decade, California saw a net decline in private sector

employment of 2.72 percent.

"When Texas faced declining revenues in 2003, Gov. Perry and the Legislature cut spending rather than raise taxes or run massive government deficits to finance government growth as they did in Washington and in states like California," said Pauken.

"Our nation cannot continue to spend its way out of the recession by incurring ever increasing amounts of government debt. The debt bubble is already hurting our nation's efforts to grow private sector jobs and decrease unemployment. That's why states with large amounts of debt like California are performing markedly worse than low debt states like Texas in both unemployment and private sector job creation." Pauken concluded, "For more than a year now I have been warning that Washington policymakers have failed to develop an economic policy designed to encourage capital investment and private sector job creation here in the United States. We need to act quickly in order to avoid a jobless recovery. Let's put Americans back to work."

Callahan County DPS Report

Calls received by the Callahan County Department of Public Safety from February 14, 2010 through February 20, 2010 include:

- Cases Investigated**
Warnings—94
Complaints—34
Stolen Trailer—1
Driving While License Invalid—2
Fugitive Arrest-Larceny/Theft—1

Texas Main Street Program Applications Available Online

AUSTIN, Texas—The Texas Historical Commission (THC) is now accepting applications from small, urban and re-certified communities for participation in the Texas Main Street Program. Applications are available on the THC web site at www.thc.state.tx.us. Completed applications are due by Friday, July 30, 2010.

The THC's Texas Main Street Program is a revitalization program for historic downtown and neighborhood commercial districts. Today, there are 86 official Texas Main Street programs representing more than 2.6 million citizens. The programs are in cities and commercial neighborhood districts of all sizes, ranging

from less than 1,000 to more than 220,000, throughout Texas. Over time, Texas Main Street communities have realized more than \$2 billion in economic reinvestment, the creation of more than 25,000 local jobs and the expansion or creation of more than 6,400 businesses in their Main Street districts. These reinvestments show that significant economic development impact can be realized through historic preservation.

For more information on the THC's Texas Main Street Program, contact State Coordinator Debra Farst at 512.463.5758 or visit www.thc.state.tx.us to download an application.

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