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Varsity girls received 2nd place in Coleman Tournament. (L to R) Coach Morgan, Coach Anderson, Shelby McWilliams, Grace Goode, Hannah Cowan, Taryn Estes, Jurnee Thomas, Katy Jo Morgan, Allanta Wheeler, Kenzie Halsel, Rebekah Crockett, Coach Eicke. Congratulations to Jurnee Thomas and Kenzie Halsel on receiving All Tournament.



Neil Belote and Kenneth Lowrey salute our nation's flag during ceremony to honor Veterans at the Senior Center.

## City of Cross Plains Honors Veterans

Veterans Day, formerly known as Armistice Day, was originally set as a U.S. legal holiday in 1938 to honor the end of World War I, which officially took place on November 11, 1918. Legislation was passed, in which November 11 was "dedicated to the cause of world peace and to be hereafter celebrated and known as 'Armistice Day.'

The United States continues to celebrate this holiday to honor the sacrifice of men and women and their families in wartime and peace who gave of themselves to protect our freedom. Tuesday, November 11, 2014, Cross Plains took time to recognize our heroes with a lunch of smoked brisket cooked by Frankie Hyles, which was sponsored by the City of Cross Plains, prepared and served by their employees.

The celebration began with the

presentation of the colors and the Pledge of Allegiance led by the American Legion Post 423 and "The Star Spangled Banner", sang by Rhonda Swift.

Forty-three veterans were in attendance and stood as the names of wars and conflicts they participated in were announced. From WWII to Iraqi Freedom, it was apparent that the men and women in attendance had, and continue to protect our freedom evidenced by Warren Parson and Glen Pugh who are currently serving in the military.

Thank you seems so trivial in comparison to the sacrifices these brave men and women have made, but if you see a veteran, please offer your appreciation and gratitude for the privileges we enjoy everyday made possible by their service.

**Obituary of  
(Lt. Col.) Wallace J. Bennett  
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## Shelby McWilliams State Cross Country Qualifier

Shelby McWilliams qualified for state at the regional cross country meet on Saturday at San Angelo with the time of 13:24. She placed 10th out of 162 girls. She has placed in the top 10 at every race this season.

She was the District Individual Champion at Eula with a season best time of 12:20. This was her second year in a row to qualify for regionals and her sights were to qualify for state and she accomplished that.

Shelby ran Saturday November 8th at Round Rock, TX at the UIL State Cross Country meet. Shelby had a great run and

placed 23rd out of 150 runners in the class 1A division with a time of 13:33.17

## Thanksgiving Holidays

Cross Plains I.S.D. will observe the following holiday dates. Wednesday November 26, Thursday November 27, and Friday November 28, 2014.

Early out on Tuesday November 25, 2014 at 1:00 p.m. buses will run at 1:10 p.m.

Classes will resume on Monday, December 1, 2014

## Craft Fair Coming

The Cross Plains Public Library will be hosting a craft sale on Friday, Dec. 5, from noon until 5 p.m. and Saturday, Dec. 6, from 8 am - noon at the First United Methodist Church, 1000 N. Main, Cross Plains. Local crafters and vendors will have booths for your shopping enjoyment, including handbags \* throw pillows \* microwave bowl hot pads \* cup towels \* framed embroidered pictures \* fleece coat \* candles/warmers \* quilts/blankets \* books \* leg warmers \* tutus \* oils \* homemade chow-chow, jams, and jellies \* baked goods.

There will be a "kids only" table - all items are 10 cents to \$1 for children to shop for ornaments and gifts. (No adult purchases.)

Also available: Tickets for a chance to win the boy's or girl's card table playhouse or one of two beautiful quilts. If you would like to reserve an 8 x10 booth, contact the library at 725-7722. See you there!

## More Pictures inside Annual Thanksgiving Bake Sale is Next Week!

Thanksgiving is just around the corner! Ease the burden of entertaining and feeding your guests by shopping at the Cross Plains Public Library's annual Thanksgiving Bake Sale. We have expanded our sale to begin on Tuesday, Nov. 25 at noon in the library's conference room and again on Wednesday, Nov. 26 from 8:00 am until we are sold out.

Friends of the library have been contacted to bake lots of treats for your holiday table: pecan pies, pumpkin pies, fudge, divinity, homemade breads, cakes, cookies, and lots more. All proceeds benefit the library. Stop by, shop early and buy extra to freeze for Christmas!

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## Lady Buffs T-Shirts on Sale!

The shirts will be available for all fans, parents, staff and anyone interested in having one. Shirts are \$12.00 plus sizes \$14.00. Shirts with names personalized on the back \$18.00 and plus sizes \$20.00. Please contact Teresa Koenig to make an order(469)

766-8692 or contact Mandi at Salamander's. (325) 669-5942. Payment must be made upfront to order a shirt. Orders must be turned in no later than November 29th. Thanks for supporting the basketball teams. Don't wait order your's today.

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

### First Presbyterian Church

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**10:00A.M. (at the church activity center on East Hwy 36)**  
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# OBITUARIES



(Lt Col) Wallace J Bennett

## (Lt Col) Wallace J Bennett

Retired Chaplin (Lt Col) Wallace J Bennett, 89, of Cross Plains and Arlington, passed away Friday, November 14, in Arlington, Texas. Funeral Service were in Cross Plains at First United Methodist Church on Wednesday, 2:00 p.m. Visitation was Tuesday evening 5 to 7 pm at Higginbotham Funeral Home in Cross Plains.

Wallace was a retired U. S. Army Chaplain, but was a man of many interests, vocations and talents. After retiring from the Army in 1969, he and his family settled in Arlington. He served as associate pastor at First United Methodist Church of Euless for a year and a half. He was a vocational rehabilitation counselor for clients with drug addictions for Texas Rehabilitation Commission for eight years. He was a writer and editor of the Central Texas Conference page of the United Methodist Reporter newspaper for 13 years. His love of history led him to publish many articles for local magazines, including one on J. Frank Norris for the Dallas Times Herald Sunday magazine.

Wallace Bennett is a Veteran of WWII, the Korean War, and

Viet Nam.

He was born on December 16, 1924, in Cottonwood, Texas. After graduating from CPHS in 1942, he obtained his father and mother's approval to join the armed forces even though he was underage. In the U.S. Navy, he served aboard a destroyer escort, the U.S.S Brough, DE #148, and the ship escorted four convoys across the Atlantic.

He was then assigned to a liaison group to sail with the British Pacific Fleet, and served on a Troup Transport, a Headquarters Ship, and two destroyers.

He was discharged in 1945 and attended three years at Texas A&M University where he received a commission in the U.S. Army Signal Corp. At the start of the Cold War and before graduating, he was called to active duty. He saw duty in Washington DC, Ft. Gordon, Georgia, and then was assigned to Korea in 1950.

Heeding a call to the ministry, after Korea he finished his degree at Texas Wesleyan College (now University) and attended Perkins School of Theology at SMU to obtain Masters of Divinity degree. He reentered the Army to serve as a Chaplain for the last 12 years of his 27 years of service.

Wallace's first wife of nine years, Marjorie Jordan, of Cottonwood and CP, died when he began the ministry. Marjorie and Wallace had one son, Greg Bennett of Lakewood, Colorado. Wallace and his surviving wife of 57 years, Carol, have four sons, Jeffery and wife Mary, of Alpine, Texas; Bryan, and wife Grace, of Cross Plains, John and wife Michelle, of Arlington; Gary of Arlington.

After retiring from the Army, they lived in Arlington and Ft Worth until 2000, when they moved to Cottonwood, where he was born and grew up. Carol has returned to Arlington and will

reside there.

Additional survivors include brother John Franklin Bennett of Cross Plains, eight grandchildren, two great grandchildren, many wonderful nieces, nephews, brothers-in-law, Michael Turpin and wife Brenda, Ron Turpin and wife Fran, sister-in-law, Pam Crocker and husband Mark, and many friends in the field of rehabilitation and in the United Methodist ministry.

Wallace is preceded in death by brothers, Col. Frenchy D. Bennett and Arnett Bennett.

In lieu of flowers donations may be made to Cross Plains Library or Cross Plains First United Methodist Church



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BILLIE D. CHILDERS

## BILLIE D. CHILDERS

Billie Dixon Childers was born on April 21, 1930 in Cross Plains, Texas and passed away quietly at his home in Odessa on November 12, 2014. He was preceded in death by his parents, Harry and Myrtle Childers; his brothers, John Wagner Childers, J. C. Childers, G. W. Childers, Gwynn Childers, Blanton Childers, and Ruby Joe Childers; sisters, Halley Couch and Laverne O'Bryant. He is survived by his wife, Irene, and his son, Richard, and his many nieces and nephews and their children.

Bill grew up on the family farm in Cross Plains where he spent happy times with his siblings. He went on to serve his country proudly in the U.S. Army. He worked most of his life in the oil industry, and finished his career as a Senior Drilling Supervisor for Occidental Petroleum. He spent much of his professional career overseas working in faraway lands like the Sahara Desert, the oilfields of Nigeria, and the North Sea of Scotland. After retirement he said he would never get on another airplane in his life if he had anything to do with it, so he settled down and bought and operated the Midessa Mobile Home Park. He spent his retirement years there and enjoyed working in his shop and fixing things for friends and family. His mind was always active and his hands were never idle he even drilled water wells for his property. In his retirement Bill went on many trips in his RV with his best friend and love of his life Irene. He especially liked going to bike rallies, or anything where he got to ride his motorcycle. Every time someone would pull up, he would say "Tie it up, and see how far you've been", that was his way of saying sit down and visit awhile.

Funeral services were held 1:00 pm, Saturday, November 15, 2014 at Hubbard-Kelly Funeral Home Chapel. Graveside services was at 1:00 pm Sunday, November 16, at the Burntbranch Cemetery in Cross Plains, TX.

Services entrusted to Hubbard-Kelly Funeral Home.  
601 N Alleghany Odessa, Tx  
79761 432-332-0991



Shirley Ann Freeman Bassett

## Shirley Ann Freeman Bassett

Shirley Bassett, 78, went to be with the Lord on November 12, 2014. Memorial services were held Saturday, November 15, 2014 at 3:00 pm at Crestview Baptist Church.

Shirley was born on December 11, 1935 to Cavin and Faye Freeman in Cross Plains, Texas. She married the love of her life, Jim Bassett, on August 18, 1956. Shirley held her Texas Real Estate license and worked with husband Jim, operating Bassett Properties for several years. She was a loyal, enthusiastic member of Crestview Baptist Church. She loved Crestview and all her church family.

She is survived by one daughter, Sherri Bassett and husband, Rick Pearson, of Austin; one sister-in-law, Barbara Callaway and husband, Rodney Callaway, of Cross Plains; one niece and nephew; several cousins; and a host of friends that mourn her loss and will miss her greatly.

Shirley will be remembered as a servant of God, a devoted mother and wife and a special friend who loved unconditionally.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations be made to Crestview Baptist Church, 301 N Loop 250 W, Midland, Texas 79703.

Arrangements were under the direction of Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home & Crematory. Online condolences can be made at [www.npwelch.com](http://www.npwelch.com)

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### Love Fund

A Love Fund has been opened for Rickey Thomas at Texas Heritage Bank for medical Expenses!

### Love Fund

Has been established at Texas Heritage Bank For Owen Turner son of Joseph and Allison Turner and grandson of Greg and Dannes Turner

### Love Fund

There is a Love Fund set up for the family of Billy Bell at the Texas Heritage Bank

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### First Baptist Church

**Sunday Morning** 10:45 a.m. **Sunday Evening** 6:30 p.m.

**Sunday School**  
9:30 a.m.

**Sunday Evening**

6:30 pm Acts of God Video Series

6:30 p.m. Bible Drill - 1st- 6th

6:30 p.m. - Youth Discipleship

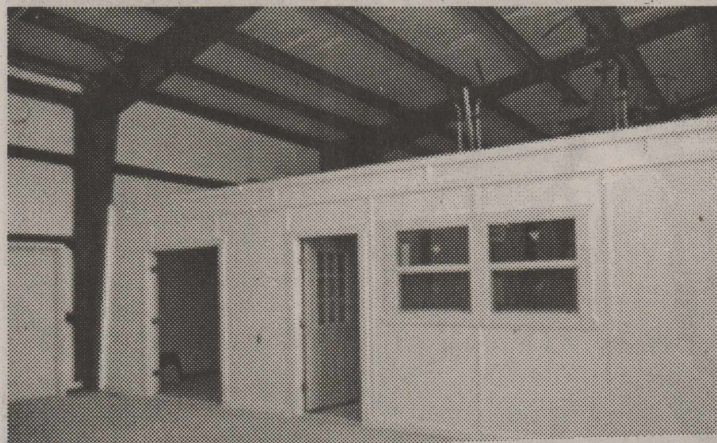
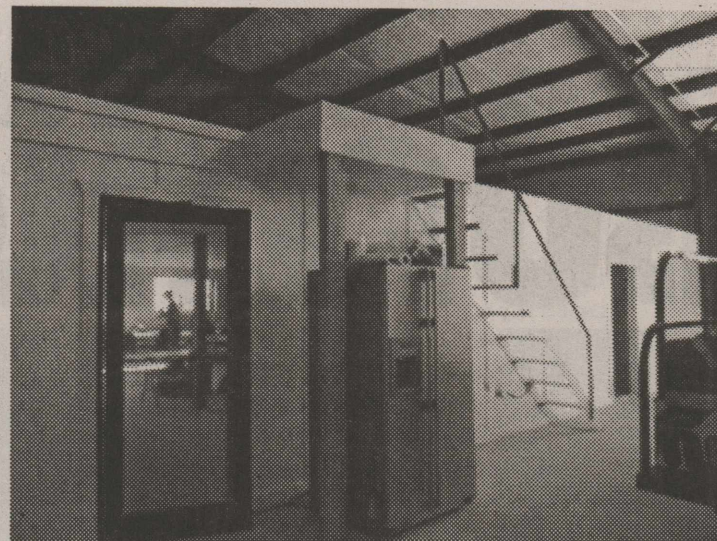
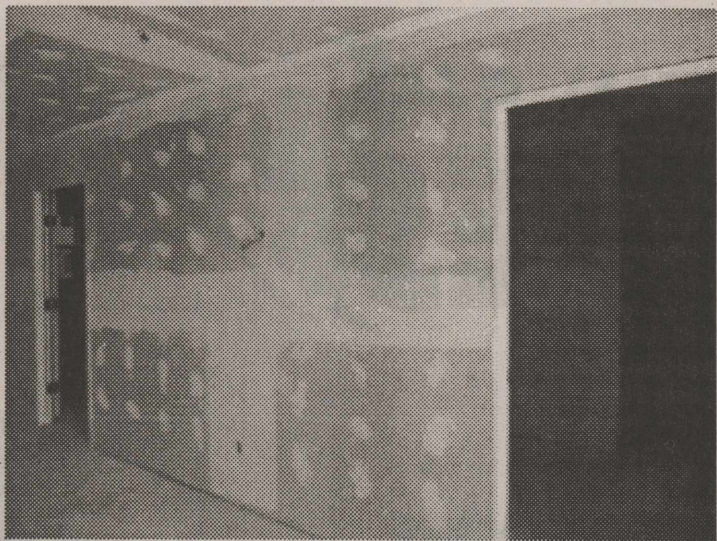
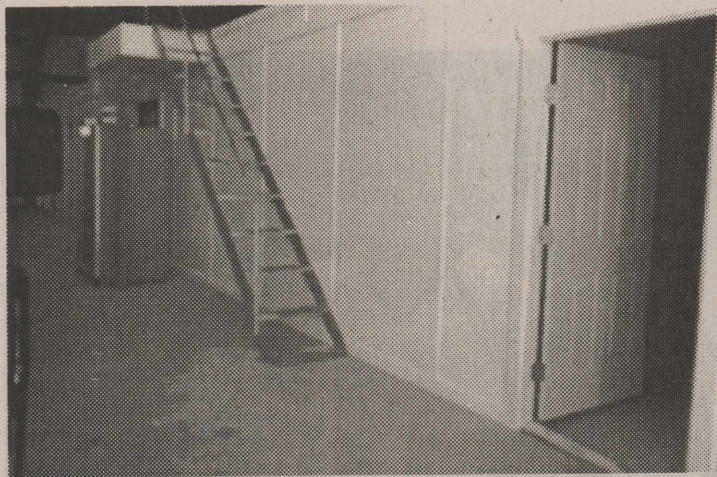
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### Cross Plains Fire Station \$30,000 Needed to Complete

Work continues on Cross Plains Volunteer Fire Department's New Firehouse. The walls are ready for paint and the electrical fixtures, the bathrooms

and kitchen are waiting for the plumbing fixtures and the cabinets, the building needs gas and heat, among the many things left to do to complete the building.

Monday night, "and right now we have about \$3,000," he continued. The goal was to be in the new fire station before winter, so that all trucks could be kept warm during the winter and keep their pumps and the water in their tanks from freezing. The trucks need to be ready to roll

when there is a fire.

Your donations and support have helped us get this far. If you would like to help with the completion of the firehouse, you can send a donation to Cross Plains VFD, P.O. Box 339 Cross Plains, Texas 76443. Again, thank you for your support.

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## Library Notes

### Library Hours

Mon. 1:00pm to 5:00pm  
 Tues. 11:00pm to 7:00pm  
 Wed. 1:00pm to 5:00pm  
 Thurs. 1:00pm to 5:00pm  
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Linda Burns

Helen Parson

Jan Bond

## Senior Citizens Center Activities

Nov.-24th - Nov. 28th

Monday-24th Exercise 11:00

Tuesday-25th Exercise 10:45 / Bingo 11:15

Wednesday-26th Exercise 11:00 / Blood Pressure Check Gilling Home Health

Thursday -27th Thanksgiving Center

Friday -28th Holiday Closed

Cross Plains Senior Citizens Center seeks to nurture our aging population through nutritional, social and educational programs our goal is for all seniors, both well and frail, to utilize our services to enrich their lives.

### SENIOR CITIZENS MENU

Nov. 24 th - Nov. 28 th

Monday 24th - Chicken Pot Pie (veg in entree) Pickled Beets, Fruit Cup, Dessert

Tuesday 25th - Baked Potatoes Soup, 1/2 Turkey Sandwich Crackers, Dessert

Wednesday 26th - Salisbury Steak, Potatoes, English Peas, Bread Dessert

Thursday 27th - Thanksgiving Center

Friday 28th - Closed Holiday

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

Monthly Menu may be picked up at the Senior Citizen Center

## First Callahan County Historical Marker Dedication

While Callahan County has a number of Texas Historical Markers, the county will dedicate the first Callahan County Marker on Thursday, November 20. It is a part of the new Callahan County Historical Commission's (CCHC) Historic Callahan County Program. County markers will designate important historical places, people, or events which either do not have enough available information to obtain approval of a Texas Historical Marker or do not have an individual or organization to give financial assistance for the ever increasing cost of Texas Historical Markers. The CCHC plans to promote the county as Historic Callahan County. The program will eventually include

city and county brochures and information boards showing interesting historic places to visit in Callahan County.

The first county marker will tell the story of the Callahan County Airport which opened north of Baird shortly after WWII and closed after a snowstorm collapsed the roof of the hangar. The public is invited to the dedication which will take place on the Jim Snyder Ranch 2.5 miles north of I-20 on Highway 283 at 4:30 PM on Thursday. A flyover is planned to kick off the ceremony. Attendees will hear about the difficult process of researching the history for the marker and will hear stories written by Jim Ashlock about the airport.

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## Ghost Invasion Winner!

The winner of a gift certificate to Subway is David Lewis. The Cross Plains Library had an area in the children's department invaded by ghosts. David's guess was closest to the total ghosts. The gift certificate was given compliments of T. S. Ranch.

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## Black Bear

Many large carnivores that once inhabited Texas have been wantonly killed until populations have either decreased or disappeared all together. A few of these have held on for literal dear life, and one in particular has apparently made a successful comeback.

The Black Bear (*Ursus americanus*) is the largest carnivore that still calls Texas its home, surpassed in total size only by the Cougar. It is one of two bear species that at one time inhabited this state, the other being the extirpated Grizzly. Early on in the previous century, this bear could be observed almost state-wide. Until the late 1980's, the Black Bear was thought to be extinct in Texas, although signs posted in Big Bend National Park warned tourists to be wary of their possible presence. During the last decade of the century however, many confirmed sightings occurred in the Chisos Mountains in southern Brewster county.

Recently, many more confirmed sightings have occurred in the Chisos mountains, as well as in the Guadalupe, Davis, and Glass mountain ranges. They have even been observed as far east as the limestone canyon areas around Comstock in Val Verde county, and my son and I were fortunate enough to recently observe one in the Black Gap Wildlife Management Area south of Marathon late one summer evening.

The increase in Black Bear sightings can be attributed to the fact that just across the international border in the Mexican state of Coahuila, Black Bear populations have soared due to landowner and government involvement. This area is now known as having the highest density of Black Bear in the Chihuahuan Desert, and these populations are now spreading into the areas of southwestern Texas. On a related note, appearances of Black Bear recently in the northern Panhandle near Dalhart can be explained by the population explosion in mountains of adjacent New Mexico. Black Bears prefer wooded habitats, and the canyons of the isolated "Sky Islands" of the Trans-Pecos mountains amply provide the cover that is required. They are more at home on the ground than in trees, although individuals, particularly young ones, will retreat to the treetops to evade perceived threats. They are a medium-sized bear,



Black Bear (*Ursus americanus*)

with an average total body length of nearly five feet. The tail is relatively small, only attaining less than ten percent of the total length. At shoulder height they average just over twenty four inches. Black Bears are stocky creatures, with an average weight that is roughly between two hundred twenty-five and three hundred pounds, although large males can achieve weights of nearly a whopping five hundred pounds.

The color of the Black Bear can best be described as being, well, black. Having said that, they come in two color phases, most often black, but occasionally brown as well. The snout is brownish in both phases, and from the side view is very straight, not curved in appearance. The front claws are slightly longer than those on the hind feet, and are curved; very well adapted to both climbing and digging in hard soils in search of food.

The dietary prowess of the Black Bear is rather surprising to most people, with the majority of individuals being mostly herbivorous. Plant food items include apples, nuts, acorns,

grass, clover, berries, and even poison oak. However, they will feed on other animals as well, with fish are the most common animal prey item, as well as carrion. They are large consumers of the products of the nests of honey bees, ants, and other insects. Garbage is also a favored meal, and many are seen in campgrounds rummaging through trash.

The Black Bear's propensity of feeding on trash in camping areas is a reminder why it is important to properly discard of waste material. Many encounters with bears could be avoided simply by the use of the bear-proof trash receptacles provided by most campgrounds where bears occur. Sightings of this animal, while more common now than just a few years ago, are still something of interest to the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department. If you are lucky enough to witness this uncommon beast, please be sure to notify the department.

Editor's Note: Michael Price would love to hear from folks! He can be reached by email at [www.fullprice71@gmail.com](mailto:www.fullprice71@gmail.com).

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# CROSS PLAINS BUFFALOES



Katie Jo Morgan #22 and Hannah Cowan #10



Mace Steigleder, Jackilann Shepard and Hanna Fortune



Coach Morgan motivating the junior high girls during a time out.

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## Basketball



Trent Potter and Tripp Thomas



Sterling Switzer, Gage Connley and Jevon Tillary.



Jacy Bien

### Cross Plains Lady Buffs defeat Lady Hawks 31-28

The Cross Plains Jr. High Lady Buffs won their season opener last Thursday against the Abilene Lady Hawks. The final score was 31-28. It was a hard fought battle until the end but the Lady Buffs came out on top. Leading scorers for Cross Plains were Jacey Bien with 8 points, Hannah Crockett and Hanna Fortune each with 6

points each. Also contributing were Mace Steigleder and Jackilann Shepard with 4 points each and Mallory McCready with 2 points. Kenzie Kleiber, Cayla Barron, Destinee Cooper and Kaitlin Parker also participated in this game. The girls all did a great job and we hope to have a successful year.

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## "A" Honor Roll 2nd- 6th Weeks

### 7th Grade

Macee Steigleder  
Trent Tollett

### 8th Grade

Jacy Bien  
Hannah Crockett  
Hanna Fortune  
Kenzie Kleiber  
Brian Morales  
Trenton Potter  
Jackilann Shepard

### 9th Grade

Joe Alexander  
Eddie Calvagna  
Joseph Crockett  
Creed Goode  
James McMillan  
Katy Morgan  
Larson Walker

### 10th Grade

Mackenzie Byrd  
Hannah Cowan  
Grace Goode

### 11th Grade

Kelli Bennett  
Rebekah Crockett  
Teagan Fortune  
Shelby McWilliams  
Phoenix Sanders  
Tibor Vorbeck  
Billy Woodard

### 12th Grade

Natalie Anderson  
Taryn Estes  
Megan France  
Kelbi Hyles  
Tucker Isbell  
Brenna Kleiber  
Kaitlyn Koettel  
Morgan Manley  
Stephen Saltus  
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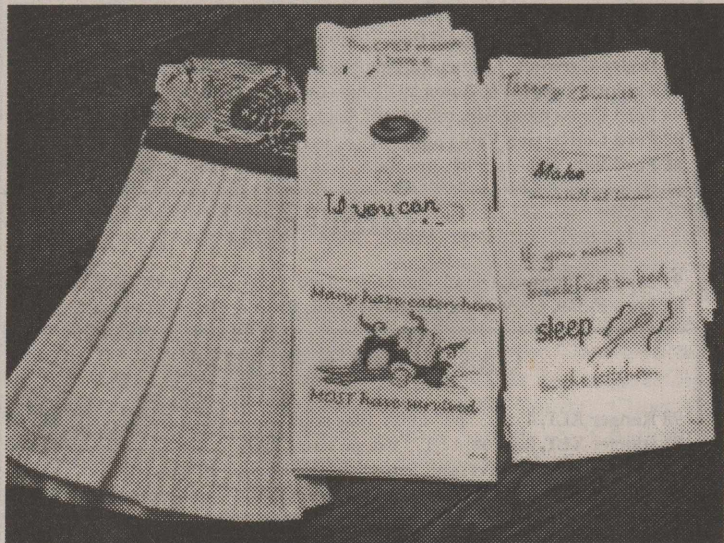
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## Cross Plains I.S.D. Weekly Menu November 24-28, 2014

|  | MONDAY 24   | TUESDAY 25  | WEDNESDAY 26            | THURSDAY 27             | FRIDAY 28               |
|--|---|---|-------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|
| <b>B<br/>R<br/>E<br/>A<br/>K<br/>F<br/>A<br/>S<br/>T</b> | Pancakes<br>Bacon<br>Cereal<br>Fruit & juice<br>Milk                          | Sunrise Sandwich<br>Fruit<br>Juice<br>Cereal<br>Milk  | Thanksgiving<br>Holiday | Thanksgiving<br>Holiday | Thanksgiving<br>Holiday |
| <b>L<br/>U<br/>N<br/>C<br/>H</b>                         | Corn Dog<br>Baked Beans<br>Baby Carrots w/ ranch<br>Pineapple Tidbits<br>Milk | Beef & Bean Burrito<br>Salsa<br>Seasoned Corn<br>Garden Salad<br>Mixed fruit<br>EARLY OUT<br>1:00 | Thanksgiving<br>Holiday | Thanksgiving<br>Holiday | Thanksgiving<br>Holiday |



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## Craft Fair Set for December 5th & 6th!

The Cross Plains Public Library will be hosting a craft sale on Friday, December 5, from noon until 5 p.m. and Saturday, December 6, from 8 am - noon at the First United Methodist Church, 1000 N. Main, Cross Plains. Local crafters and vendors will have booths for your shopping enjoyment, including handbags \* throw pillows \* microwave bowl hot pads \* cup towels \* framed embroidered pictures \* fleece coat \* candles/warmers \* quillows/blankets \*

books \* leg warmers \* tutus \* homemade chow-chow and baked goods.

There will be a "kids only" table - all items are 10 cents to \$1 for children to shop for ornaments and gifts. (No adult purchases.)

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Thank you in advance!

## 2014 Pecan Show & Clinic

Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service is proud to announce that the Abilene Area Pecan Show & Clinic will be held December 9, 2014. Residents of Callahan, Jones, Shackelford, Nolan, Fisher & Taylor Counties are invited to submit their pecans for competition and judging. Entries will be accepted beginning Monday Dec. 1, 2014; however, deadline for all entries are due to the Taylor County office by 5:00 pm on Friday Dec. 5, 2014. We will have a special Pecan Clinic and Award Ceremony at 6:00pm on

Tuesday December 9th. Topics of the clinic will be focused around pecan management and tree care.

Program Details:  
• Location—Taylor County Extension Office Conference Room located on the grounds of the Taylor County Expo Center.

• Schedule of Events—Pecan Clinic & Award Ceremony December 9th at 6:00pm.

For more information contact the Taylor County Extension Office 325-672-6048.

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Logan Harvell  
Serinity Hyles  
Katelynn Parker  
Chelsea Parson

### 8th Grade

Ashley Anderson  
Jacob Collier  
Gage Connelly  
Mallory McCready  
Brice Petree  
Ky Stout  
Madison Wright-Fuller

### 9th Grade

Strena Cunninham  
Jack Larimore  
Kaiden Petree  
Riley Potter  
Kelsi Sasser  
Aaron Willis  
Shana Yates

### 10th Grade

Ryan Carey  
Nain Martinez  
Dreland Smith  
Brandon Waggoner  
Loralei Woddard  
Kersey Wyatt

### 11th Grade

Darrin Ames  
Colton Bradley  
Ashley Fulcher  
Zachary Gartman  
Kenzie Halse  
Brayden Kennedy  
Rylan Laminack  
Evelyn Morales  
Billie Pointer  
Kaitlyn Potter  
Inez Salazar  
Charles Thompson  
Seth Wyatt

### 12th Grade

Bronc Dillard  
Korbin McLean  
Ariel Sneed

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## Come Join the Weight Warriors

Weight Warriors is still meeting on Tuesdays at the First United Methodist Church fellowship hall. We are a group of like-minded folks with a common goal of health eating habits and group support. A new contest involving money challenge is beginning in September. Anyone is welcome to join our group. We meet at 5:30 every Tuesday. Come join the fun we share with each other.



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To promote fair housing practices, the City of Cross Plains encourages potential homeowners and renters to be aware of their rights under the National Fair Housing Law. Title VIII of the Civil Rights Act of 1968, as amended, prohibits discrimination against any person on the basis of race, color, religion, sex, disability, familial status or national origin in the sale or rental of units in the housing market. For more information on fair housing or to report possible fair housing discrimination, call the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development's toll-free hotline at 1-800-669-9777.

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The City of Cross Plains announces that has adopted a policy prohibiting the use of excessive force by law enforcement personnel within its jurisdiction against an individual engaged in non-violent civil rights demonstrations. This policy is in compliance with Section 519 of Public Law 101-44, 1990 U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development Appropriations Act.

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The City of Cross Plains has adopted complaint and grievance procedures regarding its Texas Community Development Block Grant Programs. These procedures outline the steps for a citizen to follow if she or he wishes to file a written complaint about proposed TX CDBG activity. The City of Cross Plains will make every effort to respond fully to such complaints within ten (10) working days. Citizens may obtain a copy of these written procedures at the City of Cross Plains, 201 S. Main, Cross Plains, TX 76443 during regular business hours, Monday through Friday, through the mail, or by calling the Mayor at (254) 725-6661.

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The Cross Plains Housing Authority will hold a Public Meeting on Monday January 5, 2015 at 4:00 pm at 233 N Main Street to receive comments on the 2015/Five Year/Annual Plan for the Cross Plains Housing Authority.

Also the Cross Plains Housing Authority will post the Public Housing revised Flat Rents effective January 1, 2015 for comments.

All documents are on display at the office of the Cross Plains Housing Authority at 233 N Main Street Monday thru Thursday between the hours of 9:00 am - 12:00 pm and 1:00 pm - 2:00 pm.

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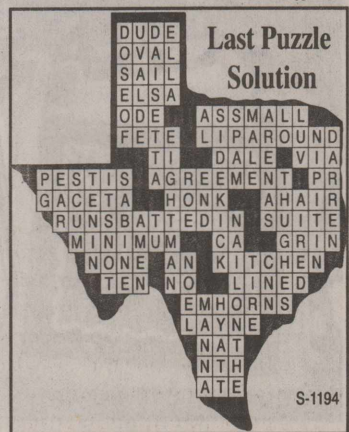
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**2014 Abilene Area Pecan & Bake Show**

Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service in Taylor County will be hosting the 2014 Abilene Area Pecan Show on December 9, 2014. The show will include both a Pecan Nut Division as well as a Pecan Bake Show Division. Residents of Callahan, Fisher, Jones, Nolan, Shackelford and Taylor Counties are invited to submit their pecans and baked goods for competition and judging.

To enter the Pecan Nut Division, submit 42 nuts of each pecan variety in a re-sealable, plastic bag to the Taylor County Extension Office. Entries will be accepted beginning Monday, December 1, 2014; however, all entries are due to the Taylor County Extension Office by 5:00 p.m. on Friday, December 5th, 2014. If you are unsure of the pecan varieties that you have don't worry, all entries will be classified before being judged. Pecans will be cracked and shelled on Monday, December 8th and judged on Tuesday, December 9th. Judging this year's show will be Bob Whitney, Farley Farm Supply, from De Leon.

Each contestant may submit only one entry per class, but may enter each of the 11 classes. The classes are: Class 1 - Pie; Class 2 - Cake made from scratch; Class 3 - Cake made with a mix as a base but has other ingredients; Class 4 - Cookies and Brownies; Class 5 - Brittle Candy; Class 6 - Praline Candy; Class 7 - Fudge & Other Chocolate Candy; Class 8 - Other Candy & Confections (divinity, toffee, dipped, flavored pecans, etc.); Class 9 - Roasted/ Toasted Pecans; Class 10 - Quick Loaf Bread or Muffins; and Class 11 - Yeast Bread (sweet dough or regular).

Entries for classes 4 - 8 are to submit 6 pieces for judging, entries in class 9 are to submit 12 pieces, and entries in classes 10 and 11 must submit 6 muffins or one loaf. Ribbons will be awarded to the first six places in each class.

Pecan Bake Show entries must be delivered to the Taylor County Extension Office between 8:00 a.m. and 5:00

p.m. on Monday, December 8th. Each entry must be accompanied by the recipe with the exhibitors name and class number on the back of the recipe.

Pecan Show nut and baked entries will be on display at the Extension office on Tuesday, December 9th from 3:00 p.m. until 6:00 p.m. A special Pecan Clinic focusing on pecan management and tree care will begin at 6:00 p.m. followed by an awards program recognizing the participants in the show. All entries must be picked up from the Taylor County Extension Office following the awards. Entries not picked up become the property of the Taylor County Extension Service.

For more information contact the Taylor County Extension Office, 325-672-6048.

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**TxDOT WinterSafe Program**

By: Stan Swiatek, P.E. Abilene District Engineer, Texas Department of Transportation

The winter season is now upon us. Last year proved that we can receive severe winter weather conditions and how unfortunate the dangers those conditions can be to motorists who are unprepared. The Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) works 24/7 to ensure roads remain passable and safe year round. Road crews are especially prepared for improving road safety during extreme winter weather conditions.

TxDOT has developed a winter weather awareness program called WinterSafe to help you prepare for the extreme conditions you may encounter when traveling across Texas during the winter months. It's not too late to ensure you're WinterSafe on the road. TxDOT encourages motorists to take precautions and incorporate a few safe driving habits to reduce the risk on the road. This can be as easy as:

- Planning your trip by checking current road conditions on-line or by calling 1-800-452-9292 or www.TxDOT.gov Keyword:

Winter Travel.

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- Ensuring your vehicle is properly maintained.
- Observing traffic signs and weather alerts.
- Taking extra precautions when approaching bridges, shaded spots, overpasses and turns.
- Preparing an emergency road kit.
- Not using your cruise control during ice and snow storms.
- Keeping a safe distance between your vehicle and snowplows.
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- If stranded, calling the Texas Department of Public Safety's toll-free hotline at (800) 525-5555.

For the latest information on Texas roadways, be sure to check the Texas Department of Transportation's (TxDOT) website, <http://www.drivetexas.org>. TxDOT works very closely with local agencies across the state to ensure potentially hazardous roadways are treated quickly

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# Cross Plains I.S.D. Board Minutes

November 12, 2014

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

The following administrators and guests were also in attendance: Supt. Phil Mitchell, H.S. Principal Brad Jones, Elem. Principal Leslie Lawrence, Athletic Director Daniel Purvis and guest Cameron Gulley.

Prayer was led by Jack Shepard.

Motion was made by Cowan and seconded by McWilliams that we approve the 2013-2014 budget audit. For 6/Against 0  
Motion was made by Richey

and seconded by Shepard that we accept minutes from October 22. For 6/Against 0

Motion was made by Cowan and seconded by McWilliams that we approve Investment Policy (see attachment). For 6/Against 0

Motion was made by Shepard and seconded by Crockett that we approve IPM (integrated Pest Management) Policy. For 6/Against 0

Motion was made by Cowan that we approve exit incentive plan for 2014-2015 school year. For 6/Against 0

Motion was made by Richey and seconded by McWilliams that we adjourn. For 6/Against 0

Motion was made by Richey

# Cottonwood News

By Beverly Brown

We received a light snow here in Cottonwood on Sunday evening—the first snowfall—and more than a week before Thanksgiving!

It's with great sadness, we report the passing of our friend and neighbor, Wallace Bennett. Wallace, who was born here in Cottonwood, returned home in 2000, and has been a pillar of the community. He was instrumental in organizing the July 4th Programs at the Community Center and dressed up as Ben Franklin one year. Wallace often read the Declaration of Independence to the crowd. He also helped organize the Cottonwood Christmas Programs, and a few years ago delighted the crowd with his reading of "Twas the Night Before Christmas." He was involved with the Cottonwood Historical Association and worked closely with the late Claire Edwards to apply for historical markers for both the Old Methodist Church (the Methodist Episcopal Church South – as Wallace would always correct me) and the Old Cottonwood Cemetery. Their vision was realized when the cemetery received a Historical Marker in 2012. Wallace served as a guest speaker for the annual meeting several times, telling stories along with R. T. Peevy and the late Richard Purvis. Wallace was always willing to pitch in and help where it was needed. He also served on the board of the Cross Plains Library and the Callahan County

Historical Association, where he worked on the Bankhead Highway project. Wallace wrote the Cottonwood News column during the 2000's. Cottonwood meant a lot to Wallace and he meant a lot to everyone here. He will be greatly missed.

Wallace will be laid to rest in the Cottonwood Cemetery on Wednesday, November 19th. Our prayers go out to Carol and his sons – Bryan, Greg, John, Gary and Jeff, and to his brother, John Bennett and the rest of the family.

The Callahan County Baptist Association honored Tracy Dillard for her 28 years of service as Secretary to the organization. She received a plaque here at the Cottonwood Baptist Church during the meeting last Tuesday evening. Matt McGowen handled the presentation.

David Weaver of Corpus Christi is here visiting his mother Mary Ella Weaver.

Thanksgiving is next Thursday. We wish you and yours a very Happy Thanksgiving and a safe journey traveling to and from to visit relatives.

Friday, December 5th is the Kiwanis Stew Supper at the Cross Plains Senior Center. That's the night of the Christmas Parade and when Santa Claus Comes to Town. Mark your calendar now.

## Commissioners canvass General Election totals

The Callahan County Commissioners approved the canvass of votes from the Tuesday, November 4th General Election during a brief commissioners' court meeting held Wednesday, November 12th at the Callahan County Courthouse in Baird.

On a motion by Commissioner Harold Hicks, and a second by Commissioner Bryan Farmer, the commissioners' court voted 4-0 to approve the canvass of votes for the November 4, 2014 General Election.

A total of 3,013 or 34.29 percent of 8,788 registered voters in the county cast ballots in the

# Heart to Heart Food Bank holiday dates

The "November and December Heart To Heart Food Bank" for Callahan County located at the First Baptist Church of Clyde will be based on the third Thursday of both months, due to Thanksgiving and Christmas falling on the fourth Thursday.

November's date will be

November 20th from 4:00 to 6:00 p.m. and December's date will be December 18th from 4:00 to 6:00 p.m.

The program will return to its regular fourth Thursday of the month schedule in January 2015.

Be sure to mark your calendars to reflect these date changes!

# Courthouse News

## Callahan County Court Roger Corn, presiding Misdemeanor Filings

Mindy L Tucker, theft by check.

Bonito Alaniz, driving while license expired.

## Misdemeanor Minutes

Meredith A. Hulsey, motion to dismiss to theft by check granted for completion of PTD Program.

Amanda Hernandez, motion to revoke probation granted.

Angela L. Noble, order releasing cash bond granted.

Brenda Collins, motion to dismiss to driving while intoxicated (DWI) granted for plea to other cases.

Cody Lee Allen, end of term order discharging defendant under misdemeanor probation.

Jennifer A. Gravelly, order on motion for continuance granted.

Allan J. Alvarez, request for extension of probation granted.

Anson M. Strasser, end of term order discharging defendant under deferred adjudication.

Luis Luna, motion to dismiss to burglary of a vehicle granted for plea to felony.

Francis L. Caffey, motion to revoke probation granted.

## Marriage Licenses

Lunden David Seals and Shera Mari Coleman, both of Baird.

Jackie Devin Joy of Clyde and Kayla Nicole Earixson of Baird.

## 42nd District Court John Weeks, presiding

## Civil Filings

The Bank of New York as trustee for CFMSI vs. Marie Moore aka Celeta M. Moore, home equity expedited foreclosure concerning 702 Cherry Lane, Clyde, Texas 79510.

FIA Card Services N.A. vs. Gil Tabor, debt/contract.

Kristy Lea Taylor and Andy Monroe Taylor, divorce.

Discover Bank vs. Jason E. Self, debt/contract.

Prosperity Bank, successor to American State Bank vs. Troy Hall, debt/contract.

## Civil Minutes

Kelley Shawn McLaughlin and Kelly Don McLaughlin, divorce granted.

Angela Kathryn McNabb and David Mathew McNabb, divorce granted.

Kimberlie Dawn McPherson and Michael Shane McPherson, divorce granted.

Bulldog Steel Products, Inc. vs. Sigma Industries Inc., default judgment granted, plaintiff to recover the sum of \$30,995 from defendant.

## Criminal Minutes

Fountain W. Bullard, plea of guilty to possession of a controlled substance, 4 year probation, \$1000 fine, \$419 court costs, \$140 restitution.

Cody W. Cash, plea of guilty to possession of a controlled substance, 1 year in prison, \$324 court costs.

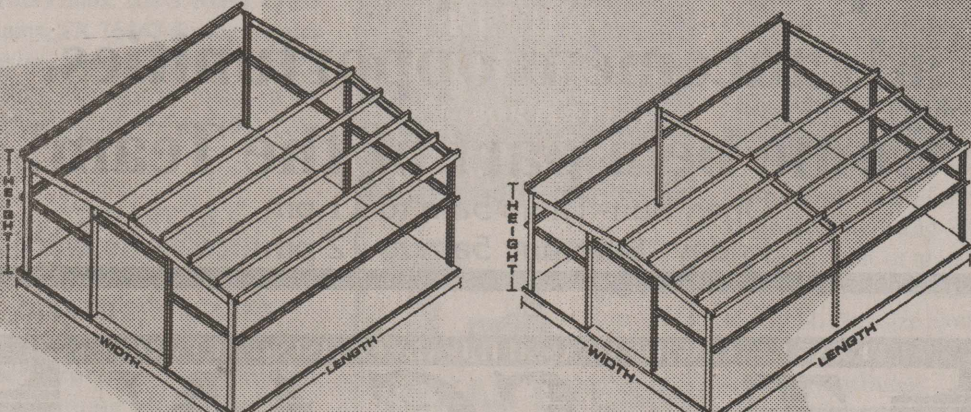
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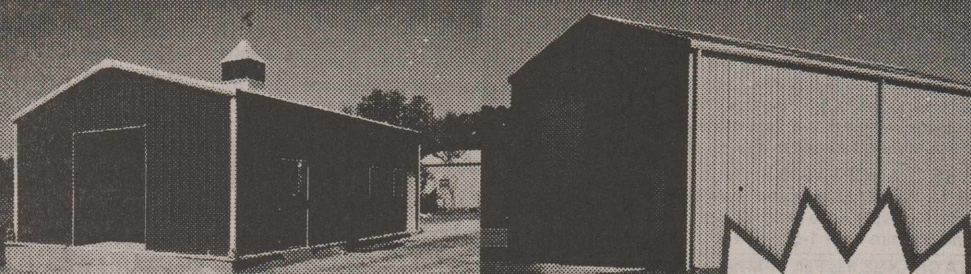
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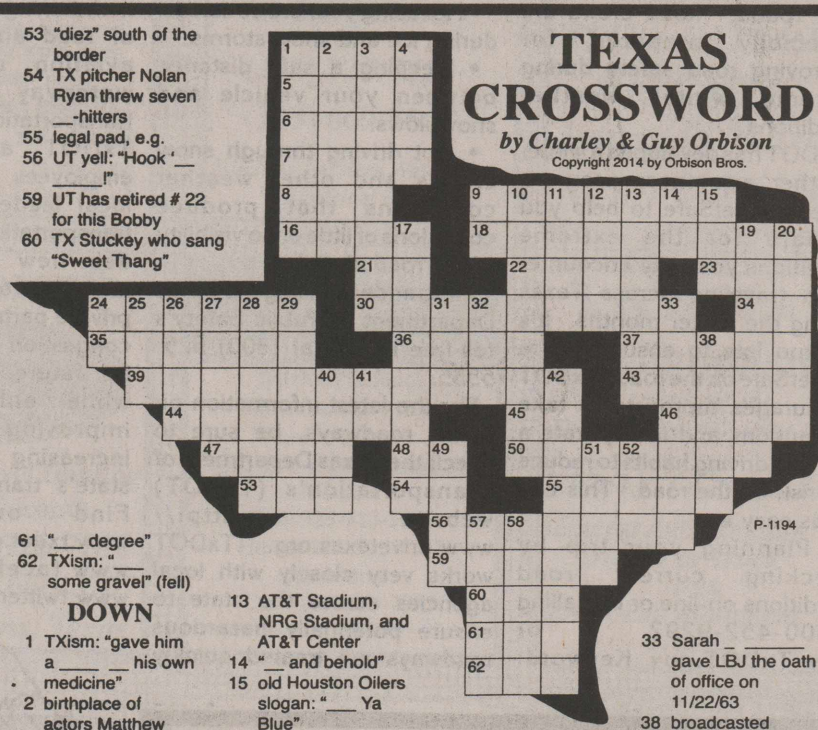
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**ACROSS**

- TXism: "city slicker"
- track shape at TX Motor Speedway
- cruisers can \_\_\_\_\_ from Galveston
- in Hidalgo Co. on hwy. 107
- TX Benson 1976 film: "\_\_\_\_\_ to Billy Joe"
- TXism: "fast \_\_\_\_\_ town gossip"
- celebration
- TXism: "best I ever wrapped a \_\_\_\_\_" (delicious)
- TX semiconductor co.
- TX cowgirl, Evans
- "by way of"
- Latin word for the plague
- an "A" in NAFTA
- company's image control (abbr.)
- first newspaper in TX: "\_\_\_\_\_ de Texas"
- horn sound
- TXism: "worthless as half \_\_\_\_\_ cut"
- RBl's for a Ranger or Astro
- it's expensive at AT&T Stadium
- TX \_\_\_\_\_ wage is \$7.25
- Cowboys' training camp state (abbr.) \_\_\_\_\_ and bear it"
- TXism: "2 chances: slim and \_\_\_\_\_"
- TXism: "bend \_\_\_\_\_ elbow" (drink)
- "everything but the \_\_\_\_\_ sink"
- "diez" south of the border
- TX pitcher Nolan Ryan threw seven \_\_\_\_\_ hitters
- legal pad, e.g.
- UT yell: "Hook \_\_\_\_\_"
- UT has retired # 22 for this Bobby
- TX Stuckey who sang "Sweet Thang"
- \_\_\_\_\_ degree"
- TXism: "\_\_\_\_\_ some gravel" (fell)

**DOWN**

- TXism: "gave him a \_\_\_\_\_ his own medicine"
- birthplace of actors Matthew McConaughey and Dale Evans
- in Liberty Co. on FM 770 and 834
- noted TX athlete: Mildred \_\_\_\_\_
- Babe" Didrikson
- Astros & Rangers are in \_\_\_\_\_ West
- TXism for "friend"
- unwanted e-mail
- TX George Strait has been CMA's "\_\_\_\_\_ vocalist of the year" (1996-98)
- AT&T Stadium, NRG Stadium, and AT&T Center
- "and behold"
- old Houston Oilers slogan: "\_\_\_\_\_ Ya Blue"
- there is some \_\_\_\_\_ football played in TX
- TXism: "\_\_\_\_\_ the bud" (stop it early)
- this McGavin starred with TX Audie in 1964
- "Bullet for a Badman"
- some material may not be suitable
- TXism: "cute as a bug's \_\_\_\_\_"
- TXism: "he's lower than pond \_\_\_\_\_"
- XIT brand did not mean "\_\_\_\_\_ Texas"
- \_\_\_\_\_ for me
- to say"
- Hemphill is the seat of this county
- landmark TX abortion case: "\_\_\_\_\_ v. Wade"
- "the tail \_\_\_\_\_"
- Sarah \_\_\_\_\_ gave LBJ the oath of office on 11/22/63
- broadcasted
- TXism: "camps out in the \_\_\_\_\_ corner" (religious)
- private univer. in San Antonio (abbr.)
- TXism: "you hit the \_\_\_\_\_ head"
- Christmas carol
- it doesn't work flat
- news channel
- Biblical food
- JFK spent his last night in Fort Worth \_\_\_\_\_ Regency



# Call. Co. 4-H Fall Frenzy Horse Show Results

On November 15, 2014 the Callahan County 4-H Horse Club held their Fall Frenzy Horse show at the Callahan County Sheriff Posse Rodeo Arena in Baird.

The Callahan County 4-H Horse Club would like to thank the many sponsors that made this a successful event. A BIG THANK YOU to our judges, Jaden Rhodes and Jody Gerngross for taking time out of their schedules.

This show was open to Adults, Callahan County 4-H members, and open to any youth that wanted to participate. Participants traveled from as far as San Angelo.

If you would like to be added to the Callahan County 4-H Horse Clubs email list please contact Rose at the Callahan County Extension Office at (325) 854-5835.

The Fall Frenzy Horse Show results are as follows:

- Class 1**  
Halter Mares 5 & Over  
Youth  
1st Devyn Speer  
2nd Tara Kinslow  
3rd Trae Earles  
4th Meghan Schaefer
- Class 2**  
Halter Mares 4 & Under  
Youth  
1st Kaitlyn Glass  
2nd Andrew Carey
- Adult**  
1st Jessi Speer  
2nd Sue Underwood
- Class 3**  
Halter Geldings 5 & Over  
Youth  
1st Ashley Graves  
2nd Trae Earles  
3rd Tara Kinslow
- Class 4**  
Geldings 4 & Under  
Adult  
1st Sue Underwood
- Grand Champion Mare**  
Andrew Carey
- Reserve Champion Mare**  
Devyn Speer
- Grand Champion Adult Mare**  
Jessi Speer
- Reserve Champion Adult Mare**  
Sue Underwood



2014 Callahan County 4-H Fall Frenzy Horse Show Participants.

- Grand Champion Gelding**  
Ashley Graves
- Reserve Champion Gelding**  
Trae Earles
- Grand Champion Adult Gelding**  
Sue Underwood
- Class 5**  
Yearling Halter  
Youth  
1st Tara Kinslow  
2nd Trae Earles  
3rd Kaitlyn Glass
- Class 6**  
Clover Halter Participants  
Shelby Knight, Lily Beth Sojourner, Mikayla Kinslow, Weston Isenhower, Lacey Isenhower, Dillon Earles, Ryli Hollis
- Class 7**  
Western Showmanship  
Youth 12 & Under  
1st Devyn Speer  
2nd Trae Earles  
Youth 13 & Over  
1st Ashley Graves  
2nd Meghan Schaefer  
3rd Tara Kinslow  
4th Kaitlyn Glass
- Adult**  
1st Stefani Hargrave  
2nd Ana Easley  
3rd Amberlie Tharp

- Class 8**  
Yearling Longe Line  
Youth  
1st Tara Kinslow  
2nd Kaitlyn Glass
- Class 9**  
Clover Western Horsemanship Participants  
Lily Beth Sojourner, Mikayla Kinslow, Dillon Earles, Ryli Hollis
- Class 10**  
Western Horsemanship  
Youth 12 & Under  
1st Devyn Speer  
2nd Trae Earles  
Youth 13 & Over  
1st Ashley Graves  
2nd Meghan Schaefer  
3rd Tara Kinslow  
4th Kaitlyn Glass
- Adult**  
1st Stefani Hargrave  
2nd Ana Easley  
3rd Amberlie Tharp

- Class 11**  
Clover Western Pleasure Participants  
Lily Beth Sojourner, Mikayla Kinslow, Dillon Earles, Ryli Hollis
- Class 12**  
Western Pleasure  
Youth 12 & Under  
1st Devyn Speer  
2nd Trae Earles  
Youth 13 & Over  
1st Meghan Schaefer  
2nd Tara Kinslow  
3rd Ashley Graves  
4th Kaitlyn Glass
- Adult**  
1st Stefani Hargrave  
2nd Jessi Speer  
3rd Anna Easley  
4th Amberlie Tharp
- Class 13**  
Western Riding  
Youth 12 & Under  
1st Trae Earles  
2nd Devyn Speer  
Youth 13 & Over  
1st Tara Kinslow  
2nd Ashley Graves  
3rd Meghan Schaefer  
4th Kaitlyn Glass
- Class 14**  
Reining  
Youth 12 & Under  
1st Devyn Speer  
2nd Trae Earles  
Youth 13 & Over  
1st Tara Kinslow  
2nd Meghan Schaefer  
3rd Kaitlyn Glass
- Adult**  
1st Anna Easley  
2nd Amberlie Tharp  
3rd Stefani Hargrave
- Class 15**  
Stock Horse Pleasure  
Youth 12 & Under  
1st Devyn Speer  
2nd Trae Earles  
Youth 13 & Over  
1st Ashley Graves  
2nd Kaitlyn Glass  
3rd Meghan Schaefer  
4th Tara Kinslow
- Adult**  
1st Stefani Hargrave  
2nd Anna Easley  
3rd Amberlie Tharp
- Class 16**  
Trail  
Youth 12 & Under  
1st Devyn Speer  
2nd Trae Earles  
Youth 13 & Over  
1st Kaitlyn Glass  
2nd Tara Kinslow  
3rd Ashley Graves  
4th Meghan Schaefer
- Adult**  
1st Stefani Hargrave  
2nd Anna Easley  
3rd Amberlie Tharp
- Class 17**  
Clover Trail Participants  
Lily Beth Sojourner, Mikayla Kinslow, Dillon Earles, Ryli Hollis
- Hi Point Western Rider 12 & Under**  
Devyn Speer
- Reserve Hi Point Western Rider 12 & Under**  
Trae Earles
- Hi Point Western Rider 13 & Over**  
Ashley Graves
- Reserve Hi Point Western Rider 13 & Over**  
Tara Kinslow
- Class 18**  
Hunter Seat Equitation  
Youth 12 & Under  
1st Devyn Speer  
2nd Trae Earles  
Youth 13 & Over  
1st Ashley Graves  
2nd Meghan Schaefer

- Class 21**  
Barrels  
Youth 12 & Under  
1st Trae Earles  
2nd Devyn Speer  
3rd Kailey Isenhower
- Youth 13 & Over**  
1st Tara Kinslow  
2nd Meghan Schaefer  
3rd Ashley Graves  
4th Kaitlyn Glass
- Class 22**  
Clover Poles Participants  
Shelbi Knight, Mikayla Kinslow, Weston Isenhower, Lacey Isenhower, Dillon Earles, Ryli Hollis, Baylee Hobbs, Lily Beth Sojourner
- Class 23**  
Poles  
Youth 12 & Under  
1st Trae Earles  
2nd Devyn Speer  
3rd Kailey Isenhower
- Youth 13 & Over**  
1st Tara Kinslow  
2nd Kaitlyn Glass  
3rd Ashley Graves
- Class 24**  
Stakes  
Youth 12 & Under  
1st Trae Earles  
2nd Devyn Speer
- Youth 13 & Over**  
1st Tara Kinslow  
2nd Ashley Graves  
3rd Kaitlyn Glass  
4th Meghan Schaefer
- Hi Point Speed Event 12 & Under**  
Trae Earles
- Reserve Hi Point Speed Event 12 & Under**  
Devyn Speer
- Hi Point Speed Event 13 & Over**  
Tara Kinslow
- Reserve Hi Point Speed Event 13 & Over**  
Ashley Graves
- All Around Champion 12 & Under**  
Devyn Speer
- Reserve All Around Champion 12 & Under**  
Trae Earles
- All Around Champion 13 & Over**  
Tara Kinslow
- Reserve All Around Champion 13 & Over**  
Ashley Graves

- Class 19**  
Hunter Under Saddle  
Youth 12 & Under  
1st Devyn Speer  
2nd Trae Earles  
Youth 13 & Over  
1st Meghan Schaefer  
2nd Ashley Graves  
Hi Point English Rider 12 & Under  
Devyn Speer
- Reserve Hi Point English Rider 12 & Under**  
Trae Earles
- Hi Point English Rider 13 & Over**  
Ashley Graves
- Reserve Hi Point English Rider 13 & Over**  
Meghan Schaefer
- Class 20**  
Clover Barrels Participants  
Shelby Knight, Lily Beth Sojourner, Mikayla Kinslow, Weston Isenhower, Lacey Isenhower, Dillon Earles, Ryli Hollis, Baylee Hobbs



TOMMY ALLDREDGE, MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF THE CALLAHAN COUNTY NUTRITION PROJECT, DRAWS THE NAME OF MICHELLE REEVES, THE LUCKY WINNER OF A BEAUTIFUL QUILT DONATED BY ANITA MCCOY (PICTURED AT RIGHT).

## Michelle Reeves winner of Callahan Nutrition Quilt Fundraiser

The Fundraiser for the Callahan County Nutrition Project ended on Monday, November 17th 2014, with the drawing for a lovely quilt, donated by Anita McCoy.

The name of the lucky winner, drawn by Tommy Aldredge, was Michelle Reeves from South of San Antonio. This ticket was sold at the Clyde Chamber of Commerce.

The Beautiful Quilt Fundraiser was a big success with over \$1,000.00 raised for the Meals on Wheels Program.

The Callahan County Nutrition Project would like to express their "Thanks" to all who helped in any way!!

## First Callahan County Historical Marker Dedication

While Callahan County has a number of Texas Historical Markers, the county will dedicate the first Callahan County Marker on Thursday, November 20. It is a part of the new Callahan County Historical Commission's (CCHC) Historic Callahan County Program. County markers will designate important historical places, people, or events which either do not have enough available information to obtain approval of a Texas Historical Marker or do not have an individual or organization to give financial assistance for the ever increasing cost of Texas Historical Markers. The CCHC plans to promote the county as Historic Callahan County. The program will eventually include city and county brochures and information boards showing interesting historic places to visit in Callahan County.

The first county marker will tell the story of the Callahan County Airport which opened north of Baird shortly after WWII and closed after a snow-storm collapsed the roof of the hangar. The public is invited to the dedication which will take place on the Jim Snyder Ranch 2.5 miles north of I-20 on Highway 283 at 4:30 PM on Thursday. A flyover is planned to kick off the ceremony. Attendees will hear about the difficult process of researching the history for the marker and will hear stories written by Jim Ashlock about the airport.

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## November 26

Marcus Walton Williams  
Travis Golson  
Margaret Jordan  
Carolyn Jean White  
Mrs. Scott Edington  
Jeanne Wagner  
Joyce Klingberg  
Kaci (Duke) Edwards  
Norma Goble  
Andy Anderson  
Teresa (Balkum) Glasscock

## November 27

Taylor Parker  
Toney Kemp  
Merry Smith  
Hazel Lee  
Dr. Weldon Newton  
Morris Belew  
Sue (Gardener) Bunn  
Mrs. Hester Sullens  
Bill Cohn  
Paul Matthew Sowell  
Darrel Chastain  
Dale Porter  
Emma Lou Corley

## November 21

Marcia Voigts  
James Strength  
James Switzer  
Wanda Cloud Nelson  
Sandra Allen  
Mrs. Milton Baty  
Cheryl Wellmaker  
Wayne Taylor

## November 22

James Henry Nelson  
Clark Don Baugh  
Nicky Hal Harris  
Ophelia Merrill  
Dick Thrasher  
Jennifer Young  
Mrs. Harvey (Pat) King

## November 23

Mary Diane Nunn  
Betty (Purvis) Prall  
Russell Thomas  
Barbara Jean Walker  
Brenda Walker  
Jewel Hutchins  
Becky Coppinger  
John. V. Hanke  
James Hessesay  
Joel Thomas Hinten  
Brandon Horton  
Ashley Marie Hall

## November 24

Linda Strength  
Lee Reynolds  
Debbie(Cavanaugh)Waggoner

## November 25

Breck Cade Crawford  
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Coby Ryan Richards  
Johnathan Blake Dunn  
Tristan Potter Hargrove  
Ricky Wheeler  
Paul Whitton, Jr.  
Leo Franke  
Joan Hamrick  
Anthony Newman  
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Jack Neeb

## November 28

Eddie Flippin  
Joan Brown  
Jody Brown  
Roxie Fletcher  
Cady Miranda Taylor  
Drue Eans  
Mary Penninger  
Sean Alan Branham  
Perry Neal Clyatt  
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## November 29

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Mozelle Richardson is blowing out the candles on her chocolate cake made by Wilma Lawrence as her daughter, Shannon That looks on.

## Mozelle Richardson receives 120 Chocolate Bars!

Mozelle Richardson celebrated her 95th Birthday with family, friends and CHOCOLATE. Vivian Wooten decided the only thing you can give to someone who has lived 95 years and has everything she needs, is chocolate. She began a campaign to have 95 bars of candy for Mozelle on her 95th birthday and everyone came through with over 120 candy bars, weighing 15 pounds.

## Cross Plains Lighted Christmas Parade

The Cross Plains Chamber of Commerce is hosting a Christmas Parade. The line up will start at 5:30 at the Cross Plains Church of Christ located at 617 SE 5th St. The parade is on Friday, December 5, 2014 starting at PM. The floats will be judged, so put your best into it! This will be a great parade for the family! Looking for something fun be-

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## Children Programs Starting November

Cross Plains Public Library "Learn About..." Program is a structured readiness program for preschool children ages 3-5 every Wednesday Morning from 10:00 to 10:45 a.m. November through April. There will also be a Lapsit program available at the same time for children under the age of 3. A parent must accompany the child for this program.

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## Stitched with Love

It takes a village...no matter what your political preferences are, we can agree, that it takes a lot of people working together to achieve goals.

Michelle Kaiser donated a quilt top with a white background and appliqued flowers and vines in bright blues and greens that was sewn by her mother at the age of 91 years. The batting and backing for the quilt was donated by Wilma Lawrence and Jean Alexander and then hours and hours was spent quilting by many women of the community. Donna Wagner and Wilma Lawrence sat pushing needle and thread through for hours at a time. The final touch was trim and hemming of the scalloped edge of the quilt by Wilma Lawrence and Michelle Kaiser.

The Cross Plains Senior Center is giving you the chance to take this beautiful quilt to your house for only \$1.00 or 6 chances for \$5.00. Tickets are available at the Senior Center 108 N Main.

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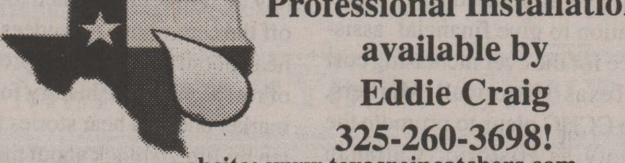
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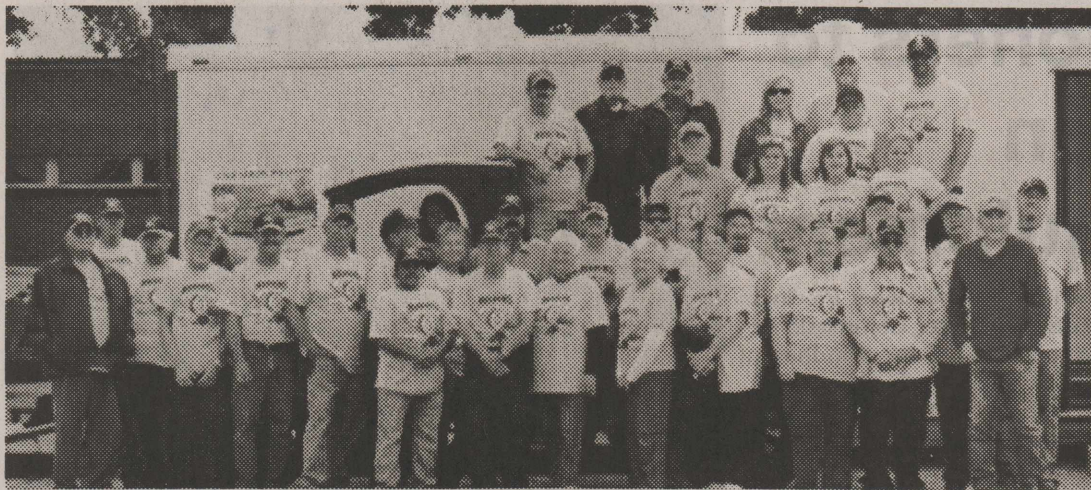
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The Keepers 2014 club photograph taken at the annual car show on October 11th.

## Keepers Car Club enjoys successful 11TH Annual Car Show

The Keepers Car Club held their 11th annual car show during the Pecan Festival on Saturday, October 11th, in beautiful downtown Clyde, America. Rain Friday night and the forecast for high winds kept our registration number down to just 118 cars, trucks and motorcycles competing for trophies in 23 categories and three special awards...but we were delighted that so many folks braved the elements to join us. We did our best to show them a good time!

Club members cooked up 22 briskets for sandwiches and cowboy beans as part of our fund-raising efforts. Food sales and a live auction of 74 unique items conducted by Eddie Baugh generated \$3,000 for our selected charity, the Clyde ISD BackPacks for Kids program that sends food home on Fridays so less-fortunate children can eat over the weekends. Our event also featured games for the children, a wonderful DJ entertaining the crowd with hits from the 50s, 60s and 70s, the services of pin-striper Mike Summers of China Spring, Texas, and display booths set up by area auto-related businesses! The Keepers appreciate all of our sponsors and club members who so generously donated money for the t-shirts, door prizes, items to go in the goodie bags for the entrants, briskets and a wide



Although we had a light turnout for our November meeting, club members enjoyed visiting with Clyde ISD's BackPacks for Kids coordinator Gigi Robinson. Left to right: David Sessions, Jimmy and Kathleen Seals, Eric Underwood, Jack Frazier, Richard Seals, John Ciancitto, Boyd Zimmerman, Billie Seals, Duane Allen, Becky Zimmerman, Dale Winters, Vivian and John Smith, Danny Blay, Mike Bell, Barry Banner, Helen Musick, Ed Carvey, Jill Allen, Karen Bell, Claude Boyd, Larry Musick, Kenneth McCoy and Gigi Robinson.

array of gifts for the auction to make the show a resounding success. And we owe a special thank you to the City of Clyde for their support for our show in providing trash containers, turning on the water, and restoring power for us when we tripped the breakers!

The 11th annual show is behind us and preparations have already begun to ensure the 12th annual show next fall is bigger and better! Discussions at the November 6th meeting included possibly moving our event to a different location in Clyde...more to follow! We also scheduled a club visit to Baird's Cactus River Restaurant for this month and will celebrate the holidays with a party at Shady Oaks Country Club in December. If you are a car

enthusiast and would like to drop by one of our meetings, come on out at 7 pm on the first Thursday of each month to Mac's Diner inside the Lawrence Brothers/GA Grocery in Clyde and join in the fun!

Clyde ISD BackPack Coordinator Gigi Robinson accepts a \$3,000 donation from Keepers' Treasurer Larry Musick at the club's meeting on November 6th. The Keepers support the BackPack for Kids program with monthly donations as well as fund-raising efforts at our annual car show. We had much appreciated help from Clyde High School students involved with the BackPack Program who turned out to work in our BBQ trailer at the show.

## 'Throwback' Harvest Concert celebrates 15 years this Sunday

Fifteen years ago in a Clyde public classroom, four public educators and one minister of music and voice teacher began dreaming of forming gospel concerts in Clyde. Pam Loper, June Park, Deborah Ralston, Jane Dement and Karen Hogue all shared their desire to bring annual Christian concerts to our community with the hope of donating to worthy causes with all donations from the concerts. Cara Naizer, public school music educator, joined the group the next year in 2001.

This Sunday, November 23rd at 6:00 p.m. at the Clyde First Baptist Church, Harvest directors will be celebrating 15 successful years of their dedication of helping those in need. Harvest will be presenting a "throwback" of local performers and good gospel selections for everyone.

This year, Harvest will return to Clyde FBC and will feature vocalists One Voice, Karen Hogue, Mike Collier, Clyde FBC Men's Quartet, Cara Naizer, and Gold Rush. All are local musicians, with years of musical experience and performances. Kioette Henson, FBC pianist, will once again grace us with her musical talent. Mark Hewitt, founder of Love and Care Ministries in Abilene, will speak about the upcoming plans for an extension of his ministry in Clyde. Benefits from Harvest Concert will go toward funding this new mission in our area.

One Voice, composed of current Harvest directors June Park, Pam Loper, and Jane Dement, has sung together for many years for churches, clubs, organizations, and civic events. Their harmony is tight with emphasis on 'one' sound in specific unison parts. They also present programs pertaining to events such as Christmas and Valentine and patriotic celebrations. They enjoy spreading happiness in various kinds of programs. Karen Hogue, soprano, and

one of the past directors of Harvest, is currently the Minister of Music at FUMC Clyde where she has served for the past several months. She also is a voice teacher at ACCU. Her love of music began at an early age. Over the course of her singing career she has sung numerous opera and musical theatre roles as well as a broad range of choral solos. She has performed and coached singers from different countries and is proud to reside back in Clyde where she and her friend and colleague Carrie Conner birthed the successful Clyde Center for the Performing Arts. Her most recent accomplishment is starting Sovereign Grace Classical School in Abilene where she currently serves as principal. Harvest has requested her participation many times and is pleased to welcome Karen back as a performer this year. Also, one song selection will include Karen with June, Jane, and Pam.

Mike Collier, another returning Harvest soloist, is a bi-vocational Minister of Music at Potosi Baptist Church where he has served for the last 11 years. From Abilene, he attended Abilene schools where his love for music began. Having grown up in Wylie Baptist Church, once reaching high school he began singing in the church choir. He found that this was where he could touch people's hearts and stir their souls by singing about his deeper love for Christ. He graduated from Hardin-Simmons University with a degree in Church Music. He and his wife, Michelle, have a son Marc who is 13. Mike is also employed at Blue Cross/Blue Shield in Abilene.

Clyde FBC Men's Quartet is appearing for their first time at Harvest this year. They are composed of Steve Davenport, John Connel, Charles Keith, and Luke Burnam. This quartet is dynamic and will bring forth several songs in the concert. These men have been working together

diligently with scheduled sessions once a week since they formed several years ago. Harvest is excited to share their talents with the community this year.

Cara Naizer is no stranger to this community. Once a Harvest director for several years, Cara has been past choir director for the Clyde Public Schools, interim choir director of Clyde First Baptist Church, and currently Cooper High School Choir director. Her deep love of Christ is not opaque in all areas of her life, and her strength in vocalizing about God's love is amazing. She will have a solo performance as well as interaction with Pam, June, and Jane in a group selection. Cara was director of Gold Rush, an extension of Clyde High School Choir and also performs at Sunday's concert, for several years before moving to Cooper High School.

Gold Rush, Clyde High School's performing mini-group choir, will be presenting several numbers for the first time at Harvest. These students are outstanding and always happy and willing to give it their best. They are requested to sing at many functions and their performance is always exciting and well received by the public. Their director, Cindy Davenport, who is also pianist for the Junior High and High School Choirs in Clyde, Harvest welcomes this group of great students to appear with them.

"Throwback" Harvest will be just that—returning professionals whose love for sharing gospel songs with the community is apparent in their performances, and a look-back at the history of Harvest is what this year's concert will reveal.

Harvest is always a free will donation with no cost at the door. Remember to bring a canned good for the new recipient of the concert, Love and Care Ministries of Clyde. See you at the concert!



## Cross Plains Senior Citizens Center 2015 Calendar

### Lost But Not Forgotten

As you travel the county roads around Cross Plains, you will see the barns and outbuildings that serve as a reminder of the tough times farming and ranching families have weathered. They also, more importantly show the strength and will power of the

### families that endured these

struggles to leave a legacy that is still vital to the economy in our area today.

A 2015 calendar archiving some of these landmarks through photographs taken by James

Nichols and Debbie Edington

is available for only \$5.00. All proceeds from the sale of these calendars benefit the Cross Plains Senior Citizens Center. Get your calendar today at the Center, City Hall, Connie's Cuts and Curls or Texas Heritage Bank.

## Texas State Parks finally flaunting their Fall Foliage

A reluctant autumn with warmer than usual temperatures finally is giving way this week to the season's first major cold front, signaling to Texas flora that it's time to don their colorful foliar cloaks. More than 90 Texas state parks offer leaf-peepers of all ages a safe and family-friendly setting in which to enjoy the show.

As the season's first cold fronts slide southward, fall insinuates itself first upon the Panhandle plains and mountains of West Texas, where towering cottonwood trees in such scenic places as Palo Duro Canyon and Davis Mountains display a fluttering, golden wardrobe to brighten the canyons and creekbeds.

Reports have been coming in the past week from a number of state parks in northeast, east and central Texas that the leaves are changing. At Caddo Lake and Guadalupe River state parks, majestic bald cypress trees are lighting up the water with reflections of their rust-colored needles. The sweetgums and hickories in Caddo Lake's woodlands are beginning to show some color, which is expected to last for

another couple of weeks. Hardwood forests in deep East Texas state parks, such as Daingerfield and Martin Dies Jr., have begun sporting leaves of gold, burnt orange and crimson.

Northwest of San Antonio, the state's relict population of bigtooth maples and other hardwoods at Lost Maples State Natural Area are just beginning to show hints of color around and are expected to be fine sartorial splendor in coming weeks, perhaps as late as Thanksgiving, according to Richard Treece, the park's lead interpretive ranger. Treece strongly advises park visitors to visit Lost Maples during weekdays to avoid long lines of traffic on State Highway 187. To see Treece's latest updates on the changing fall foliage, visit: <http://www.tpwd.state.tx.us/state-parks/lost-maples/foliage-reports>.

In North and Central Texas, park staff at Cleburne, Dinosaur Valley, Meridian and Lake Mineral Wells are expecting an eye-popping fall foliage display. "Lake Mineral Wells may have the most variety of species, including cedar elm,

cottonwood, pecan, red oak, blackjack oak and post oak," says Jane McFarland, interpretive specialist in Waco. "Visitors should make a point to see one of the largest American elm trees in Texas on the Cross Timbers Trail."

Inks Lake and other Hill Country state parks' limestone and granite hilltops, ridges and canyons depend on such species as cedar elm, Texas red oak, black-jack oak and flame-leaf sumac for fall color that makes for a stunning contrast with greenery of live oaks and the plentiful ash junipers (cedar). Even poison ivy, Virginia creeper and such native grasses as big and little bluestem, and bushy bluestem add to nature's dazzling autumn show.

For fall foliage photos and updates at your favorite state parks, look online for postings on their Facebook pages: <https://www.facebook.com/texasparksandwildlife>.

To see Texas State Park fall foliage images, visit: [http://tpwd.texas.gov/newsmedia/news\\_images/?g-fall\\_foliage](http://tpwd.texas.gov/newsmedia/news_images/?g-fall_foliage)

## DPS Urges Texans to Prepare for Winter Weather

AUSTIN - The Texas Department of Public Safety (DPS) is urging Texans to begin preparing for possible winter weather, which can impact the state during the coming days and months.

Texas Gov. Rick Perry has declared, November 12th, Winter Weather Awareness Day in Texas. To view the proclamation, visit: <http://www.txdps.state.tx.us/dem/ThreatAwareness/winterWeatherAwarenessDayProc.pdf>

"Winter weather can disrupt and endanger the lives of Texans in all parts of the state, and residents should prepare their cars and homes now for possible storms and freezing temperatures this season," said DPS Director Steven McCraw. "The best defense against a potential dangerous situation is early preparation."

DPS offers the following tips for staying safe during possible winter weather:

- Monitor local weather broadcasts and follow up-to-the-minute weather conditions, at <http://www.weather.gov/>.
- On icy roads, drive slowly and increase distance required for stopping, and avoid using cruise control.
- Watch for downed trees and power lines across roads. If

power is out, treat all intersections as four-way stops.

- Make sure your vehicle is properly maintained before any trip.
- Keep your gas tank full.
- Avoid traveling when sleet, freezing rain or snow is predicted.

Winterize your vehicle by checking the battery, windshield wipers (including appropriate freeze resistant fluid), tire pressure, tire tread, fluid levels, and lubricate door and trunk locks to prevent freezing. In addition, here is a list of emergency supplies drivers can keep in their vehicle:

- Blankets/sleeping bags and extra clothing, mittens and hat.
- Cell phone, radio, flashlight, extra batteries.
- First-aid kit and pocket knife.
- High calorie, non-perishable food, bottled water.
- Sack of sand or cat litter to provide traction for tires.
- Windshield scraper, tool kit, booster cables, tow rope and shovel.

Here are some additional steps to prepare for winter weather:

- Insulate outside faucets and pipes near outer walls.
- Make sure that furnaces, heaters, fireplaces and wood stoves are clean, well-ventilated and in good working condition.
- Make arrangements for proper shelter and an emergency supply of food and water for your pets and livestock.
- Stock up on firewood and supplies, including canned goods and bottled water.

If you will be away from home for a long period of time, set your thermostat to 55 degrees or higher and open cabinets under sinks.

Check on friends and family members whose health or age may put them at greater risk from cold weather.

Also visit <http://www.txdps.state.tx.us/dem/ThreatAwareness/winterstorm.htm> for additional information regarding winter weather preparedness.

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## TSCRA Submits Comments Opposing EPA Water Rule Proposal

Fort Worth, Texas- The Texas and Southwestern Cattle Raisers Association (TSCRA) President, Pete Bonds, today made the following statement after TSCRA submitted comments on Friday opposing the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and United States Army Corps of Engineers (Corps) waters of the U.S. (WOTUS) rule proposal. The rule would redefine the term navigable under the waters of the U.S. to give the federal government jurisdiction over all water in the country. "As a cattle rancher and landowner, the EPA water rule proposal causes me a great deal of concern," said Bonds. "If implemented the federal government would have control over all water in the U.S., clear down to the water that falls off the brim of my hat when it rains." The rule goes even further to expand EPA's authority to not only water, but also ditches and man-made conveyances that could hold water. Additionally, it would require landowners to obtain costly permits to apply pesticides, graze cattle, conduct construction projects and perform other routine

maintenance on their land. These permits can take up to a year to receive. "This rule amounts to the largest land grab in history and would not be good for the cattle industry or the landowners in our country. I hope the EPA and Army Corps of Engineers will take our comments into serious consideration and realize the detrimental impact this proposal could have on our important industry if it is implemented." To read the comments that TSCRA submitted to the EPA, please visit <http://www.tscra.org/docs/11-14-14TSCRAWOTUScomments.pdf>. ###TSCRA is a 137-year-old trade association and is the largest and oldest livestock organization based in Texas. TSCRA has more than 16,000 beef cattle operations, ranching families and businesses as members. These members represent approximately 50,000 individuals directly involved in ranching and beef production who manage 4 million head of cattle on 76 million acres of range and pasture land primarily in Texas and Oklahoma, but throughout the Southwest.

## Study: Millions of Texans Must Choose Between Food, Other Needs Food banks respond with plan to address "causes & consequences" of hunger

Austin - 3.5 million Texans receive charitable food from a food bank or partner agency on average seven times per year, according to a study released today by Feeding Texas. A majority of these households reported making difficult tradeoffs between food and other basic needs.

"A hunger-free Texas is possible, but this study confirms that food banks can't do it alone," said Celia Cole, CEO of Feeding Texas. "We are no longer just an emergency food network - our clients are facing chronic needs. To break this cycle, we must do more to address the causes of hunger."

The study, Hunger In America 2014, was coordinated by the national food bank network Feeding America and the research firms Urban Institute & Westat. Staff from Texas food banks collected survey data from October 2012 to August 2013 for the report, which represents Texas as a whole.

The study provides valuable insights into the lives of struggling Texas families. For example:

- 71% of client households reported choosing between paying for food or medicine / medical care in the previous year.
- 86% of client households

had annual incomes below \$20,000.

• In half of client households, the primary breadwinner had held a job in the previous year. Most not working (85%) were retired, disabled or acting as a caretaker for another. These details about the causes and consequences of hunger support a new strategic direction adopted by the food banks called "Feeding with Impact." Under this framework, food banks are increasingly distributing food resources alongside services designed to increase health and economic security.

"By linking our hunger relief efforts with other assistance, we know we can improve the health of these families and break the cycle of poverty," said Cole. "But this approach requires that we strengthen our partnerships with both the private and public sectors."

Feeding Texas intends to use the results of the survey to bolster its call for additional resources from the Texas legislature, which convenes in January 2015.

Feeding Texas leads a unified effort for a hunger-free Texas. Read the full report and find your local food bank at [www.feedingtexas.org](http://www.feedingtexas.org).

## Commissioners to take bids on surplus equipment

Callahan County Commissioners voted to advertise and take bids on several pieces of surplus equipment during the commissioners' court meeting held Monday, November 10th.

On a motion by Commissioner Harold Hicks and a second by Commissioner Tom Windham, the commissioners' court voted 4-0 to advertise and take sealed bids to sell the following equipment:

- 1998 Chevrolet pickup
- 1980 Mack truck
- D6 Caterpillar Dozer
- Heated Steam Cleaner.

Bids on the surplus items will be opened at the commissioners' court meeting scheduled for 9:30 a.m. on December 10th.

Other agenda items brought before the commissioners' court included:

—The meeting of the commissioners' court was called to order at 9:30 a.m. by Judge Pro-Tem Cliff Kirkham, with Commissioner Precinct #1 Harold

Hicks, Commissioner Precinct #2 Bryan Farmer, Commissioner Precinct #3 Tom Windham, County Deputy Treasurer Jan Windham and County Clerk Donna Bell present.

—The minutes of the previous commissioners' court meeting were reviewed and signed.

—There was no public comment.

—No action was taken on the Countywide Burn Ban. The Burn Ban remains lifted.

—No action was taken on the agenda item concerning meeting with Electrical Providers.

—Commissioner Farmer made a motion to pay the approved bills. Commissioner Windham seconded the motion, which carried with a 4-0 vote.

—Commissioner Windham made a motion to adjourn the commissioners' court meeting at 9:40 a.m. Commissioner Farmer seconded the motion, which carried with an unanimous 4-0 vote.

## Sheriff's Corner

by Callahan County Sheriff Terry Joy

I would like to thank all the Callahan County Deputies and Dispatchers for their good work and dedication on Sunday evening and night (during all the inclement weather).

All of the deputies were called out. I would also, like to thank the Clyde Police Department and the Baird, Clyde and Eula Fire Departments, the Baird Marshall's Office and Department of Public Safety.

The temperature started dropping and got down to 23 degrees. The precipitation that had been falling during the day, froze on the highways and made for very dangerous conditions. Accidents were happening very rapidly on the Interstate and other roads in the County.

There were more than 24 accidents from 4:00 to 10:00 p.m. Accidents ranged from fender benders, and roll overs, to trucks jackknifing. A couple of truck wrecks completely blocked the east bound lane of Interstate 20 at Union Hill.

The most interesting and heartwarming accident of the night involved a rancher and his

wife from the Andrews area. The couple was pulling a horse trailer with a horse inside, when they hit an icy slick spot and slid off the road. The horse trailer turned over on its side and the horse ended up lying on its side, trapped inside the trailer.

All officers who weren't already working a wreck hurried to the horse's rescue. Bolt cutters were used to cut the horse free. The Clyde Fire Department was among the first to arrive at the scene. The freed the horse and a wrecker was needed to set the heavy horse trailer upright. Well, all the wreckers were busy with other accidents, so the strong firemen joined together to set the heavy trailer upright and hooked it back to the pickup.

The horse was not seriously hurt, so they jumped him back into the trailer and the rancher and his wife continued on to Andrews!! Again, very heartwarming!

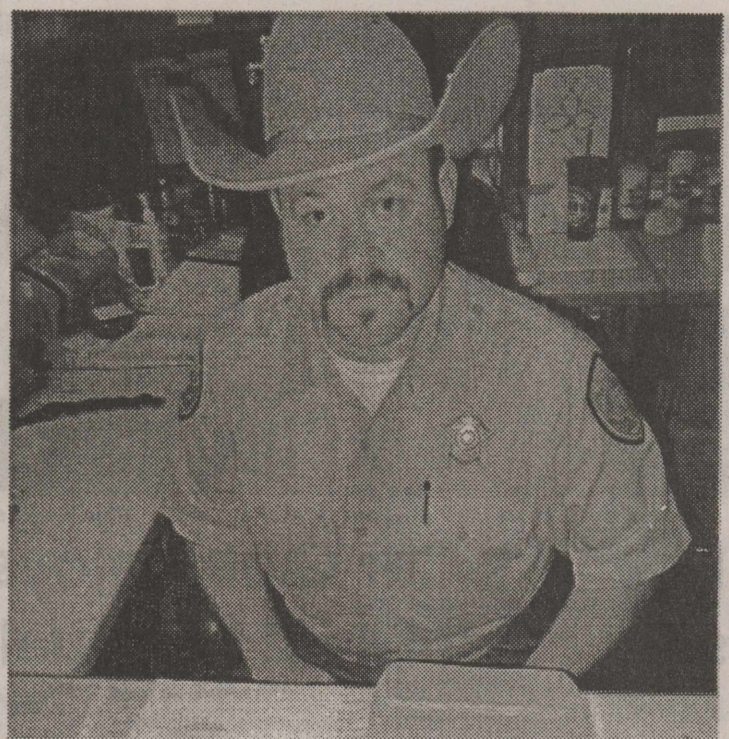
One more time.... A big, big "Thank you" is more than deserved by the Clyde and Eula volunteer fire departments.

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CALLAHAN COUNTY DEPUTY SHERIFF JACOB STENNETT.

## Callahan County Deputy Jacob Stennett makes drug arrest

A few nights ago, Callahan County Deputy Sheriff Jacob Stennett observed a man driving an older Chevrolet pickup on the north access road on I-20, east of Clyde, in Callahan County. After observing that the pickup had an expired license plate and inspection sticker, Stennett stopped it.

The driver gave Deputy Stennett permission to search his vehicle, a marijuana pipe and marijuana was found in the vehicle and was confiscated.

The man's pickup was towed away and he was taken to the Callahan County Jail.

Officer Stennett was assisted by Callahan County Deputy Larry Lemon and Clyde Police Officer Will Windam.

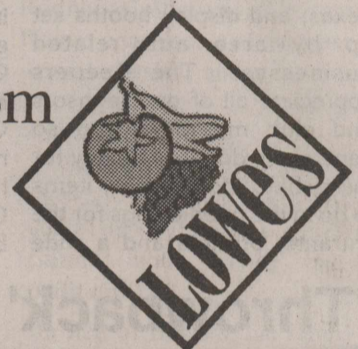
Sheriff Terry Joy was also on the scene and he stated that he observed all three of these officers working together in a professional manner to remove illegal substances like marijuana from Callahan County.

Sheriff Joy said he thanked them all for their good work.

## Save your cash register

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We are excited to inform you that we are participating in an incredible program that allows us to earn FREE school equipment. From August 17, 2014 -March 31, 2015 We will be able to turn cash register receipts From Lowe's Supermarkets into free valuable and important educational equipment that we would otherwise only dream of getting.

Please shop at Lowe's, save your receipts dated August 17, 2014 -March 31, 2015 and

send them into school with your child. Ask your neighbors, friends and co-workers to collect tape too!

Fill out the entry form below and send it to school with your receipt tapes by **January 15, 2015** to get a chance to win \$500.00! Lowe's grocery gift certificate and a iPod Shuffle. You may see complete contest rules at [www.lowesmarket.com/shoppercontest](http://www.lowesmarket.com/shoppercontest). The Elementary code is 51738 and the High School Code is 51737.

## Thanksgiving: So very much to be thankful for

by Bryan Golden

Thanksgiving is much more than a big meal with family and friends. It's a time to reflect on, and be thankful for, all of the good things you have. Even with all of the uncertainty and turmoil in the world, you have so much to be thankful for. It's important to be grateful, not just on Thanksgiving, but each and every day. Rather than lamenting what you feel is lacking in your life, begin each new day by developing an "attitude of gratitude". Take inventory of your blessings and you will be surprised at just how much you have to be thankful for.

If you have enough to eat, a place to live, a way to get around, people who care about you, or people you care about, then you are wealthy. If you lack any of these elements, you must still be grateful for what you do have, while striving to obtain whatever is absent.

Focus on all positive aspects of your life. Take nothing for granted. Every morning, recharge your appreciation. Be happy for everything there is, not upset over what you feel is missing.

Dreams of the future diminish appreciation for the present. If all you do is concentrate on what you want, you won't enjoy today. Don't be jealous

of others; what they do or have has no bearing on you.

You can feel bitter or resentful for a variety of reasons. Perhaps you feel something is missing from your life, things aren't going your way, or you have been treated unfairly. You may wonder, "Why do these things always happen to me?"

Life's problems tend to dominate your thoughts, turning your focus to what you feel is wrong. You may start to resent those who appear to be better off. You're apt to dwell on things you think would make your life better if you had them. If only you had more money, more time, a bigger house, a different car, a different job, a different boss, had picked a different career, etc.

Once your attitude becomes one of deficiency instead of abundance and appreciation, you can become overwhelmed by feelings of frustration and feel like a victim. As this happens, a consuming vicious cycle starts.

Being bitter or resentful blows situations out of proportion. People who are bitter frequently find that their situations deteriorate and their mental and physical health decays.

It's difficult, if not impossible, to achieve your goals while you

are bitter or resentful. Regardless of what challenges befall you, bitterness makes finding solutions much more elusive.

There is no point to feeling bitter since it accomplishes nothing, harms you and makes things worse. Filling yourself with gratitude on a daily basis makes you feel good, while driving out negative feelings.

Begin your practice of gratitude each morning as soon as you wake. Every day is a great day. If you have any doubts, try missing one. Take inventory of everything, no matter how small or seemingly insignificant, that is good in your life.

If it helps, make a written list of all things you are grateful for. Read your list every day. As you do this, you will build and reinforce your "attitude of gratitude." Don't waste any time with what you feel you don't have.

Keep things in perspective. Consider all the people who have overcome difficulties far worse than yours. Don't be consumed by your problems, there is always a solution. Maintaining an "attitude of gratitude" allows your mind to devise a resolution for your circumstances.

Make everyday a day of Thanksgiving and you will be amazed how much better your life will become.

## Autumn's Colorful Reminder - The Importance of Investing in our Street Trees

Autumn is upon us. This time of year, we experience the arrival of fall, and we take comfort in the crisp evenings and enjoy the splendor of autumn color. Walking or driving through town is a delight for the senses. This benefit of trees - this experience - provides warm feelings and emotions, and creates fond memories that are priceless.

We all have fond memories of traveling along a boulevard lined with grand street trees that formed a welcoming natural archway of tree canopy above. As the leaves begin to show glorious color, let's pause to ask ourselves: Are we investing enough time and money in our street trees? Street trees - those trees planted between the sidewalk and the road - are perhaps the most valuable city trees, and it is vitally important that local communities manage them well. Street trees are a valuable community asset. The most visible swath of any community forest is its street trees.

We all have experienced a neighborhood with abundant, well cared-for street trees? In these places of resplendent natural beauty, we are calmed, we are refreshed. These positive emotions are brought forth by a healthy tree canopy and the benefits it provides - higher property values, decreased energy costs, cleaner air, and water, reduced stormwater runoff, and more beautiful environments...all because of trees.

Before 1976, when Tree City

USA was launched by the Arbor Day Foundation with our National Association of State Foresters and U.S. Forest Service partners, community forestry across our nation was haphazard at best. Today, more than 140 million Americans call a Tree City USA home. Our experience growing the Tree City USA program into more than 3,400 communities during the past 40 years leads us to conclude that larger cities with a professional staff, and smaller towns with a qualified, committed volunteer citizen tree board, are able to take an effective, efficient and comprehensive approach to municipal tree care.

Forward-looking communities are taking notice and continuing to make needed investments in tree planting and care. "Given a limited budget, the most effective expenditure of funds to improve a street would probably be on trees," wrote Allan Jacobs, a professor of city and regional planning at the University of California, Berkeley, in his book Great Streets.

Indeed, the value of a dollar invested in street trees is far-reaching. U.S. Forest Service scientists have found that for every dollar spent on planting and caring for a street tree, the benefits that it provides are as much as five times that investment.

The need for effective community tree care and management is more important today than ever due to greater

threats of drought, storms, and insects. In this increasingly challenging time, proper pruning, careful selection and proactive planting, replacement, and maintenance of our street trees is paramount to the continued success of our nation's urban and community trees.

The overall care and management of our street trees has proven time and again to be an excellent investment with high returns. Investments in our urban and community forest are worthy of the strong support of our elected and appointed officials, of the community at large, and of each and every one of us. It is to our benefit to encourage our elected and appointed officials across the nation to continue to give high priority to critical investments in our urban and community forests on behalf of our local municipalities.

As we experience the arrival of fall, as the leaves change and we celebrate the joy of bright autumn colors, let's commit ourselves to appreciating the trees for all they give us and to recognizing their importance. Please join me and thousands of others as we continue to encourage appropriate investments of time and money in our communities so that we may plant trees whose benefits will be enjoyed for many seasons to come.

Dan Lambe, president Arbor Day Foundation