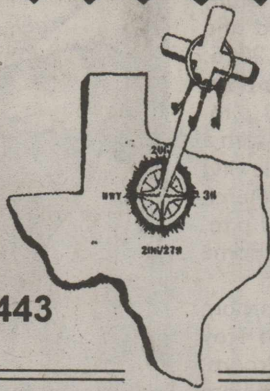


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Journey to the Cross: A Walk With Jesus Friday March 25 at First Presbyterian Church

First Presbyterian Church presents "Journey to the Cross: A Prayer Walk with Jesus," an emotional interactive tour through the Stations of the Cross, starting at 8 p.m. on Good Friday evening, March 25. The late start time will allow you the opportunity to attend Good Friday services at church of your choice or spend the evening with your family, then come by the church for the Prayer Walk with Jesus.

Based on the "Stations of the Cross", the prayer walk features stops such as "Judas Betrays Jesus With a Kiss", "Jesus Carries His Cross", and "Jesus Dies on the Cross." The stations, 14 in all, represent stops on Jesus' journey to the cross from Peter's betrayal through Jesus being nailed on

the cross to Jesus being laid to rest in the tomb. No matter your denomination, you'll want to experience this modern, non-traditional "Stations of the Cross" interpretation, something that has not been seen in Cross Plains before.

"Journey to the Cross: A Prayer Walk with Jesus" starts at 8 p.m. You can take a little or as long as you want at each of the stops along the journey.

On Easter Sunday morning, the Celebration of Jesus' life continues with 4His Glory performing a mini-cantata called "Crimson Love". The service is at 9 a.m. and everyone is invited.

The First Presbyterian Church is located at 200 Avenue D in Cross Plains, one block east of Main Street.

Easter Bunny Coming to Easter Egg Hunt Saturday, March 26

The Cross Plains Chamber of Commerce is holding a Community Easter Eggstravaganza Egg Hunt. Saturday, March 26th for ages 0-9 years. The hunt will be located at the CPISD Practice field from 10am until 11am.

Easter bunny will be available for you to take a snap shot of your child for free!

Free balloon twisting and face painting will be available.

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For more information, call the Chamber office at 254-725-7251.



CPHS Cheerleaders for the 2016-2017 School Year. From left to right: Piper Winfrey, Alexis Mauricio, Hannah Cowan, Grace Goode, Head Cheerleader Kersey Wyatt, Drelend Smith in front. Not pictured: Kenzie Kleiber, Mallory McCready, Jackilann Shepard and Mascot Shiloh Dodge.

The United Blood Service blood drive to be held March 16th

The United Blood Service blood drive is next Wednesday, March 16th from 10 until 2.

We have several openings from 11:15 to 12:30 as well as 2 openings at 1:15 and 2 openings at 1:30 to schedule

appointments. Take your lunch break and come up to donate blood.

Call or email me if you need assistance making the appointment or have any questions or concerns.

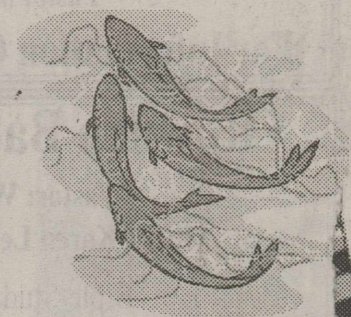
Callahan Divide SWCD taking fish orders

Now Taking Fish Orders

The Callahan Divide Soil & Water Conservation District is now taking orders for Their Annual Fish Program. Each year the District offers these fish to the general public on a first come first serve basis at a very inexpensive price. These fish come from the Arms Fish Farm out of Dublin, Texas.

Supplies are limited so get your orders in early!!

This year's selection of fish includes Bluegill, Red Ear, Grass Carp, Largemouth Bass, Catfish, Crappie and Goldfish. We are also offering Fathead



and Golden Shiner Minnows. The fish will be delivered Baird on May 19 for pick up. For more information contact Genea Williams 325-854-1041. Orders must be prepaid by check or money order.

Cottonwood Fire Control Fish Fry, Friday March 25

The Cottonwood Volunteer Fire Control Group will hold their Annual Fish Fry fundraiser at the Cottonwood Community Center in conjunction with the Cottonwood Country Musical on Friday night, March 25, 2016.

The Cottonwood Volunteer Fire Control Group, like most volunteer groups are funded by donations and fundraisers. If you would like to donate to the Cottonwood Volunteer Fire Control Group to help with equipment repairs and other expenses incurred, please mail any donations to:

The Cottonwood Volunteer Fire Control Group

13085 CR 429
Cross Plains, Texas 76443.

Your donation will be appreciated and acknowledged.

Mark your calendars for Friday night, March 25, 2016, and travel to the Cottonwood Community Center, Cottonwood, Texas to enjoy a meal of fish and/or chicken, beans, coleslaw, fries, hushpuppies, with a dessert and drink. All for \$8.00 adult plate and \$3.50 child plate (for children under 10 years of age). The meal will be served from 5 - 7 p.m.

Come hungry, eat a fish dinner, enjoy the country music and leave happy.

Burkett VFD Annual BBQ Supper

Save the date for some awesome BBQ and fellowship at the Burkett Volunteer Fire Department's 8th Annual BBQ Supper and Open House taking place April 2, 2016, at the Burkett Christian Community Center.

Brisket, sausage, chicken and all the trimmings will be available to satisfy all grilling aficionado's taste buds. Both dine in and carry out will be available. Attendee's are invited to tour the fire station and visit with the all volunteer staff.

And there will be PRIZES galore as always. Burkett VFD will be offering door-prizes

donated by merchants in Cross Plains, Coleman, Santa Anna, Abilene, Brownwood and Early. You don't have to be present to win, but why not stay and participate in the Cake Auction or Split the Boot where one lucky winner will win half the monies collected in the boot! Raffle tickets for the Split the Boot are only \$1.00 each, so you can enter as many times as you like (with better odds than the Texas Lottery to 'Boot').

Make space on your calendar now to attend on Saturday, April 2nd, from 5 to 8 pm. Dinner tickets are only \$8 for adults and \$5 children 12 and under. Hope to see you there!

Garden Club Plant Sale

Spring is here and its time to bring out your well oiled hoes, shovels and spades and finish up last minute soil preparation in your beds, herb gardens and containers. The Cross Plains Garden Club's Annual Plant Sale is scheduled for Friday, April 8th from 9:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m. The sale will be set up in the park next to the Cross Plains Library and will offer a wide selection of indoor and outdoor plants as well as yard art items.

The plant assortment will include annuals and perennials; spring and summer flowering bulbs, cacti, ground cover, herbs, tomatoes and peppers just to name a few. Yard art items will also be available. You can enjoy cookies and water as you peruse our silent auction table or visit with our knowledgeable garden club members.

Mark your calendars now for our upcoming plant sale on April 8th.

High School and Junior High Cheerleaders Announced

High School and Junior High Cheerleaders for the 2015-2016 School year were announced this week.

High School Cheerleaders are Kersey Wyatt, head cheerleader, Piper Winfrey, Alexis Mauricio, Hannah Cowan, Grace Goode, Drelend Smith, Kenzie Kleiber, Mallory McCready, and Jackilann Shepard. MaThe Buffalo Mascot is Shiloh Dodge.

Junior High Cheerleaders are Caley Box, Amber Fidler, Jordan Hampton, Kinlee Mathews, Madilynn Shepard and Taylor Wyatt.



Cross Plains Library's Michelle Kaiser receives a check from Kiwanis' Susan Schaefer to purchase books for the Jeremiah 29 backpacks

Holy Week to be Observed at First United Methodist Church

A traditional belief in the Methodist Church is that one cannot experience the true joy of the resurrection of Jesus without also experiencing the depth of the pain he suffered in death on the cross.

The time known as Holy Week begins on Palm Sunday (March 20) with Jesus' triumphant entry into Jerusalem to participate in the Passover with his disciples. Maundy Thursday commemorates the last supper that Jesus served to his close followers. Good Friday is the somber acknowledgement of his crucifixion. Then comes the glorious Easter morning celebration of Christ overcoming death and arising from the grave.

Palm Sunday will be celebrated with the waving of the symbolic palm leaves by the younger members as they progress down the aisle to begin the regular 10:45 worship service. Both the Maundy Thursday communion service and the Good Friday services will be at 6:00 p.m. in the church sanctuary.

The Easter morning celebration on March 27 will begin with a 7:00 sunrise service in the Prayer Garden at the Church. This will include a short message and singing as those in attendance await the sun rising on "the perfect day." Everybody is then invited to enjoy a breakfast of pancakes, sausage, coffee and juice and an enjoyable time of fellowship.

Beautiful Easter lilies that have been donated by members of the church will line the aisles and the altar area, making the perfect background for the celebration service at 10:45 a.m.

The members of the Methodist Church warmly invite those who are looking for a special way to celebrate the message of Easter to attend these services.

Please feel free to call the church at 725-7377, e-mail to fmcrossplains@gmail.com or go to our Facebook page at First United Methodist Church, Cross Plains, TX for further information.

Spring Break and Early Outs at Cross Plains Schools

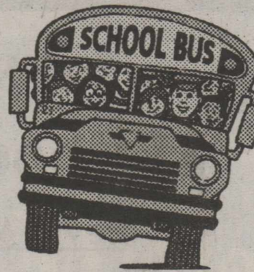
Spring Break continues through March 18

Return to Classes on March 21 at regular time.

Early Out at 11:00 A.M. on Thursday, March 24, for UIL Meet. Buses will run at 11:10 A.M. We are hosting the District Academic Meet.

School out on Friday, March 25.

School will begin at regular time on March 28.



Kiwanis & Library Help Out Jeremiah 29 Project

The Cross Plains Kiwanis Club recently donated \$200.00 to the Cross Plains Public Library so that the library can purchase books for the Jeremiah 29 backpacks. They are hoping to include a new book along with the food in each backpack for the kids participating in the program. The Jeremiah 29 project and the Public Library are always needing extra helping hands or donations so feel free to contact either (or both groups) to see what they need.

Diabetic Food Care Wednesday, March 23

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 Sunday Evening Worship.....6:00pm
 Wednesday Prayer Service.....6:00pm

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Pastor Max Evans

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

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OBITUARIES

Bobbie Mae Casey

Bobbie Mae Casey (Grandma) went to be with the Lord and loved one's on March 11, 2016.

Funeral will be Monday, March 14, 2016 at 2:00 p.m. at Cross Plains Cemetery with a graveside service. The viewing was held on Sunday, March 13, 2016 from 3:00-5:00 p.m. at Higginbotham Funeral Home in Cross Plains, Texas.

Bobbie Mae Casey was born on September 1, 1926 to Troy and Mae Watson in Groom, Texas. She was the first born out of 13 children. Growing up in Devine, Texas she attended the Baptist church School where she received certificates for her achievements. At the age of 18 she married her first husband Harold Thetford. On April 13, 1946 she welcomed her first daughter into the family. Over the next 8 years she welcomed in 4 more daughters and a son. Bobbie later moved herself and her kids back home to Pioneer, Texas where she met and married her second husband John Casey. She became a homemaker who loved to cook, bake and make quilts; she also worked in the glove factory in Cisco, Texas for many years.

Bobbie is preceded in death by her husband, John Casey; her parents, Troy and Mae Watson; 3 brothers, James Watson; Earl Watson and Dwayne Watson; one sister, Helen Willis; 2 daughters, Margaret Owings and Barbara Downs; 3 great grandsons, Bo and Jessie White, AJ Robertson and one great-great granddaughter, Kaydence Pierce.

Bobbie is survived by 6 brothers, Buck; Jerry; Troy; Johnny, Harry and Donald Watson; 2 sisters, Josephine Medley and Norma Tucker; 3 daughters, Sandy Abernathy of Brownwood, Texas; Pam Thetford and Debbie Mathis both of Cross Plains, Texas; one son, Max Thetford and his wife, Linda of Lake Brownwood, Texas; 13 grandchildren, Eugene, Corey and Brian Ford; Terri and Misty Abernathy; Stephen and Dewayne Pierce; Maxy Thetford; Rick White; Craig and Deanna Robertson; Jason Cork and Trella Satterfield; 30 great grandchildren and 3 great-great grandchildren.

Grandma Casey was the back bone of our family, the foundation that started us all. Each one of us have our own precious memories that we will cherish for the rest of our lives but the one thing that she gave us all the same was a love so true, one that she knows we will carry with us at all times.



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ROBERT LEE BURKS, SR.

Robert Lee Burks, Sr.

Robert Lee Burks, Sr., 80, died on March 12, 2016 at his home in Abilene, Texas.

Robert was born August 18, 1935 in Abilene, Texas to Loyd and Geneva (Welch) Burks. He married Jayne Holland in 1954 and together they had 7 children: Robert Lee Burks, Jr. (deceased), Randy Burks, Rebecca Burks Connally, Rick Burks, Russell Burks, Rory Burks and Ryan Burks. He had 17 grandchildren and 25 great grandchildren.

Robert was a mechanic by trade and a gifted fiddle player. He and his lifelong friends, Glendall Williams and John Morris formed Bob Burks and his West Texas Wranglers in the 60's and played their brand of Western Swing to many folks in west Texas over the years.

He is preceded in death by two siblings: Charles Burks and Jenny Westbrook Morgan; by his wife, Jayne; and his eldest son, Robert Lee Burks, Jr.

Funeral services were held at 2 P.M., Tuesday, March 15, 2016 at Parker Funeral Home in Baird, Texas. Graveside services were held at Dudley Cemetery. Arrangements were entrusted to Parker Funeral Home.

PARKER FUNERAL HOME

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Opera House Musical Show is Saturday

The Opera House Country Musical Show will be held on Saturday, March 19th at 6:00 p.m. at the Opera House located in Anson, Texas.

Starting at 5:00 p.m., they will be serving the regular brisket plate, with dessert and drink for \$7.00. The brisket plate is being served for sure this month of March.

The Opera House will be having some special guests, come hear their great music.

For any further information, call Terra Ortega at (325) 338-2184 and leave a message. They hope to see you there!

Death Notices

Bob Vaught

Bob Vaught passed away on Tuesday, March 14, 2016. Services are pending with Higginbotham Funeral Home.

Rena Jo Robertson

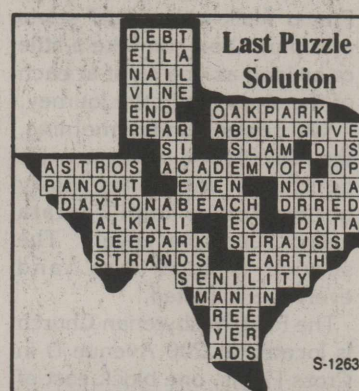
Rena Jo Robertson, 84, of Wichita Falls, passed away Sunday, March 13, 2016.

Funeral services will be held at 1 p.m. Wednesday, March 16, 2016 in the chapel of Owens & Brumley Funeral Home in Wichita Falls. Interment will be at 5 p.m. at Barbee Cemetery in Dublin, Texas.

Dorothy Dickey Trammel

Dorothy Faye Dickey Trammel, 82, of Early, passed away on Friday, March 11, 2016.

Funeral service was held Sunday, March 13, at the Heartland Funeral Home of Early, Texas.



Fun at The Market at Clyde

Saturday March 12th was a full day at The Old Firehouse on North First in Clyde. Vendors and shoppers were in great spirits as they visited and listened to the music of Joy Norris. Vendors had great variety in what they had to offer. Shoppers scored by finding beautiful handcrafted yard furniture, kitchen items, soaps, candles, good smelling wax products, jewelry, wood crafts, wall hangings, paintings, jams and jellies, baked goods and much more. Many came just to visit and enjoy the atmosphere. It was a fun day for all that came.

Next month, weather permitting, the music will be on the Platform. The public is invited to bring lawn chair and sit awhile. Watch this paper to find out what new things will be happening soon on the Second Saturday of each month on First Street in Downtown Clyde as well as the rest of the city.

If you are interested in becoming a vendor at The Market at Clyde email themarketatclyde@gmail.com or visit the Facebook page The Market at Clyde, Texas.

PUBLIC FAX

(254)725-7225

Sheriff's Corner

By Sheriff Terry Joy

Be on the lookout for wild feral house cats. They may have rabies.

Dumb thieves are appreciated.

Wednesday, March 9th, a Callahan County resident, living about 6 or 8 miles out on 283, south of Baird, was attacked by a wild feral cat (a house cat living in the wild). Michele Ratliff opened the door of her house and her dog came running inside like it was scared. She picked up her dog, which had been vaccinated for rabies, to take it back outside and a wild feral cat attacked her leg. She kicked it back and it kept charging at her. Her son's baseball bat was handy. She grabbed it and with a few good swings ended the attack. Michele called her husband who came from work and took the cat to our local veterinarian in Clyde. Dr. Monty Ancinec sent the head off and it tested positive for rabies. Michele is already taking the proper shots. This is the second rabies case in Callahan County in less than a month. The first rabies case also was a wild feral cat or wild house cat that attacked Sarah Hatchet at her home 8 miles southeast of Baird and bit her on the lower leg. Everyone watch out for strange acting animals.

Dumb thieves make our

job much easier. A couple weeks ago a Callahan County property owner, northwest of Clyde, reported that his 4-wheeler had been stolen. A report and description of the 4-wheeler was taken by the Callahan County Sheriff's Office. Last week, an Abilene resident called the Sheriff's Office to report a possible theft. She said that a man in her neighborhood tried to sell her a 4-wheeler. She said the man told her that the 4-wheeler was fresh from Callahan County and he would sell it to her and her husband for \$750.00. She told him she would think about it; and, as soon as possible she called the Callahan County Sheriff's Office and talked to Chief Deputy Rick Jowers. Her description of the 4-wheeler matched the one that was recently stolen. I hooked up to my personal trailer; and, Deputy Jowers and I picked up the stolen 4-wheeler and returned it to the owner. While we were on our way to the Abilene address of the stolen 4-wheeler, the lady called again and told Deputy Jowers that the man who stole the 4-wheeler called her again and told her that he would be willing to lower the price of the 4-wheeler to \$500.00. Arrest warrants have been issued. Dumb thieves like this make our job much easier.

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Love Fund for the Family of Emberlynn Harris has been established at Texas Heritage Bank

Love Fund has been set up for Sue Neal at Texas Heritage Bank to help with financial expenses

Love Fund has been set up for Darby Nichols at Texas Heritage Bank to help with expenses

Love Fund has been opened for Jesse Markham at Texas Heritage Bank for medical expenses

Love Fund for Sherryl Goble has been set up at Texas Heritage Bank for medical expenses

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

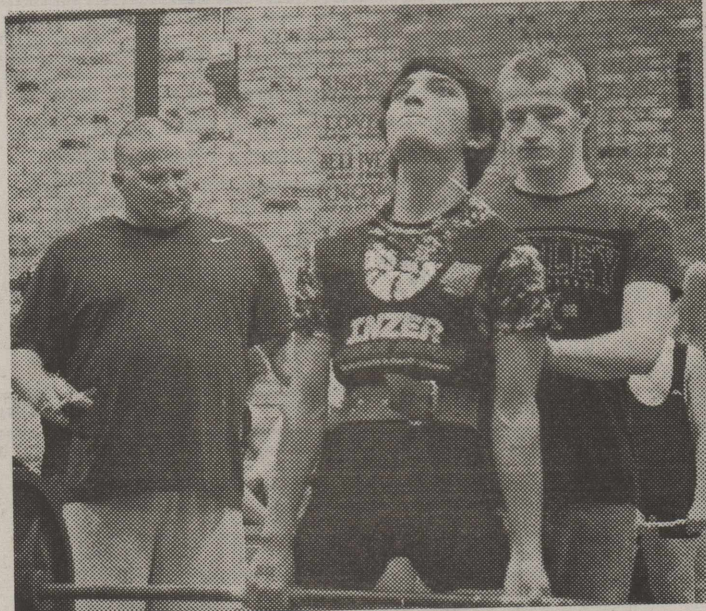
Love Fund for Lisa Floyd has been set up at Texas Heritage Bank for medical expenses

Results of the Boys Regional Powerlifting Meet at Sundown

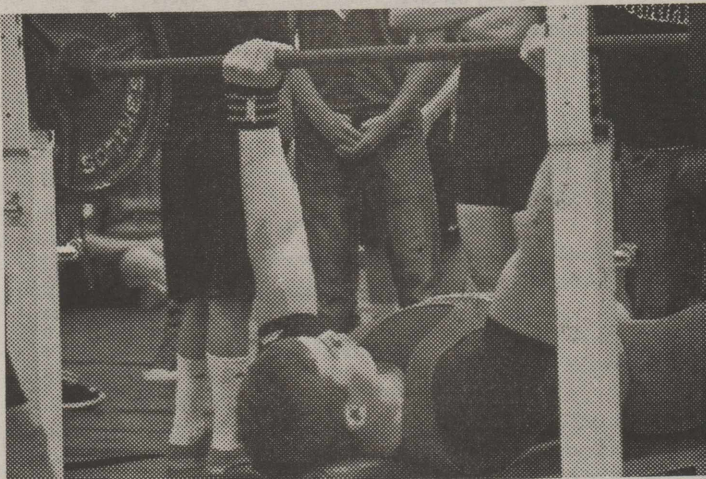
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Lozano Bustamante	123lb	310	145	345	7th	800
Dalton Gilliam	198lb	470	285	505	6th	1260
Zachary Gartman	198lb	510	255	470	7th	1235
Aaron Willis	220lb	500	240	475	7th	1215

****Everyone achieved personal Bests and done a great job!!!!!! Thank You for all your hard work and sacrifice!!!**

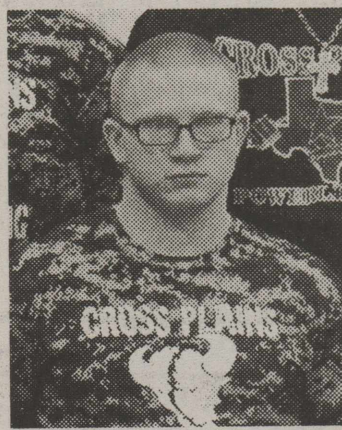
Powerlifters Compete at Regional Meet



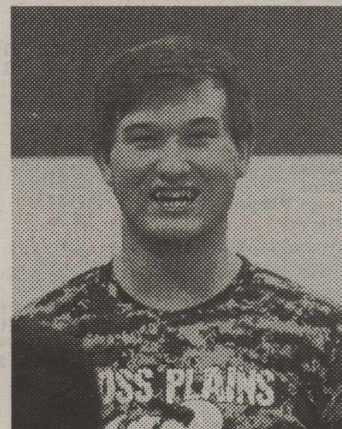
Lozano Bustamante



Dalton Gilliam



Zach Gartman



Justin Willis

Barbarian Festival Booths Available Now

The 18th Annual Barbarian Festival will be held on Saturday, June 11th under the shade trees at Treadway Park in Cross Plains. This year's festival features live music, arts & crafts booths, games, rides, food, beverages, antique and classic car and truck show, tractor show, inflatable bounce obstacle course and lots of family fun!

You can be a part of the Barbarian Festival. Booths are available for \$50.00 for an approximately 12'x12' space --- or only \$35.00, if you register early, and have your registration forms and check or money order received by May 15! You can sell arts & crafts, trinkets and other items, take donations for your organization, bring rides and games, sell food, beverages, snocones, etc. Come out and join in the fun!

Sign up now and reserve your place at the Barbarian Festival! Get more information on booth space by calling Diana Miller at 254-725-9418. Get the Vendor Registration form on line and all the details on line at the Barbarian Festival's website barbarianfestival.net.

The Barbarian Festival, now in its 18th year, is held the second Saturday in June in conjunction with Robert Howard Days, a celebration of Robert Howard, creator of Conan the Barbarian. Howard lived most of this life in Cross Plains.

Abilene area Mom's Club invites you to our monthly meeting

Tuesday, January 19, 2016 at 6:45 pm at 1470 Woodland Trail, Abilene.

Please join us for a light meal. You will get to meet other Aggie Moms and learn a little more about Texas A&M and all of its traditions! Whoop!

We meet the third Tuesday of each month, at 6:45 pm for refreshments and fun.

If you can't make the meeting but would like more information, please call or email either of the following:

- Emily Meador 325-864-3902 emilymeador@gmail.com
- Shelley Hughes 325-669-6271 ramhughes@hotmail.com

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Cross Plains Buffaloes Schedule
 March 17th- Track Meet Hamilton
 March 18th -Girls Softball Santa Anna
 March 19th-Track Meet Graham
 March 21st -Junior High Track Meet at May
 March 22nd- Boys Baseball at Goldthwaite
 March 22nd -Girls Softball at Cross Plains
 March 24th -Academic UIL at Cross Plains
 March 25th- Girls Softball at Cross Plains
 March 25th- Boys Baseball at Winters



GO Buffaloes

Cross Plains I.S.D. Weekly Menu
 Mar. 21 - Mar. 25, 2016

	MONDAY 21	TUESDAY 22	WEDNESDAY 23	THURSDAY 24	FRIDAY 25
BREAKFAST	Waffles Sausage Cereal Fruit Assorted juice milk	Breakfast strudel Cheese stick Cereal Fruit Assorted juice Milk	Muffin Yogurt Cereal Fruit Assorted juice Milk	Animal Crackers Cereal Cheese stick Fruit Assorted juice Milk	
LUNCH	Corn dog Baked beans Broccoli Mixed fruit Milk	Chicken nuggets Gravy Mashed potatoes Green beans Peach slices Roll Milk	Taco salad Spanish rice Salsa Pinto beans Snowball salad Milk	PBJ sandwich Cheese stick Baby carrots Celery sticks Ranch Apple slices Milk	Holiday

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Friends of the NRA banquet is August 6th

The Callahan County Friends of the NRA annual banquet will be held on Saturday, August 6th at the First Methodist Church of Clyde Fellowship Hall located at 217 Oak Street in downtown Clyde.

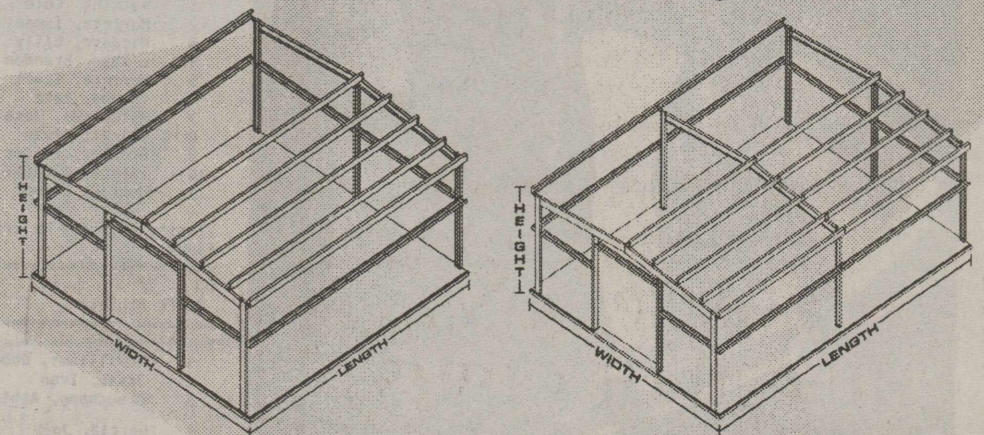
This year's annual banquet will begin at 6:00 p.m. More information will appear



in a future edition of the newspaper.

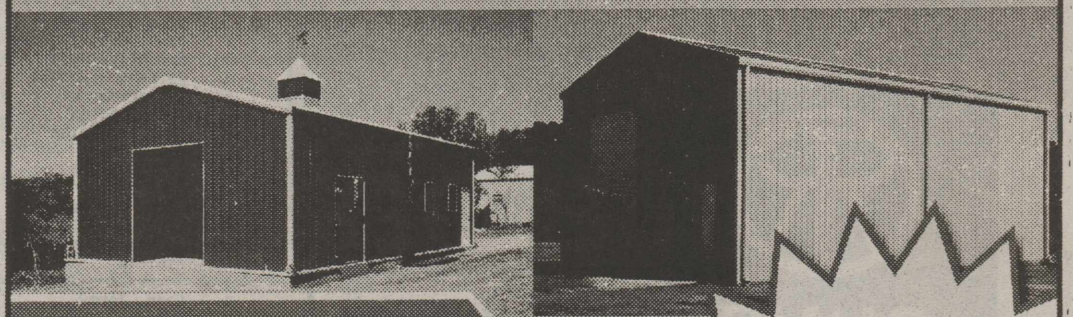
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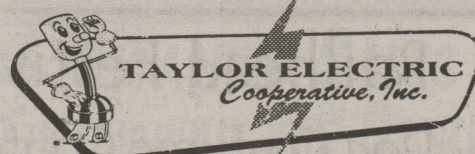
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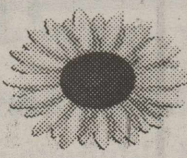
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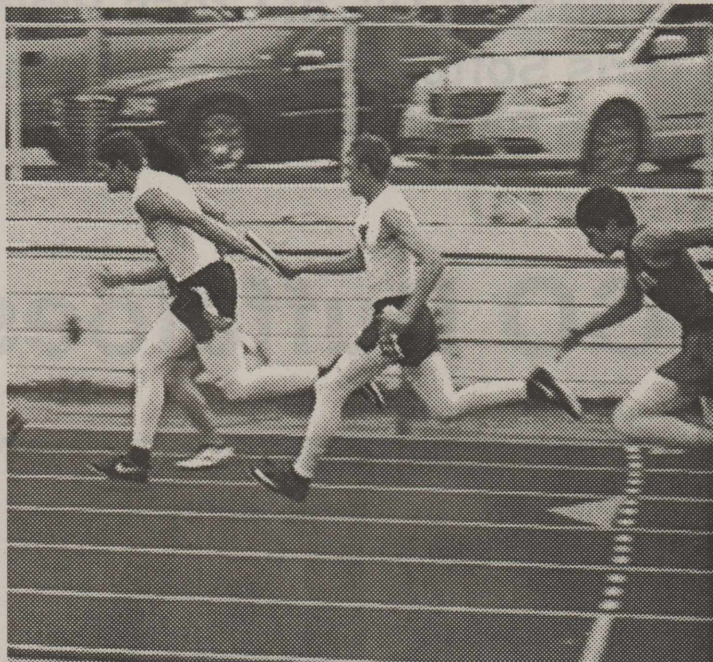
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JV Boys 100 Meters
Final

PL	PL Athlete	Team	Final	Pts	HPL
1	Gonzales, John	Miles	12.31	10	1
2	Bustamante, Lorenzo	Cross Plains	12.37	8	2
3	Fernandez, Josiah	Winters	12.59	6	1
4	Willis, Aaron	Cross Plains	12.62	5	1
5	Brooks, Asa	Miles	12.78	4	2
6	Seigler, Jesse	Clyde Eula	12.81	3	2
7	Fernandez, David	Winters	13.12	2	3
8	Bittick, Daniel	Clyde Eula	13.47	1	3
9	Byrd, Paxton	Cross Plains	13.65	4	4
10	Ortiz, Rafael	Gorman	14.09	4	4
11	Collins, Jaeggar	Winters	14.37	6	5
12	Dusek, Jake	Winters	14.52	6	6
13	Thompson, Stratton	Gorman	14.53	3	3
14	Wheeler, Colton	Gorman	15.52	4	4

Varsity Boys 100 Meters
Final

PL	PL Athlete	Team	Final	Pts	HPL
1	Petree, Kaiden	Cross Plains	11.50	10	1
2	Laminack, Rylan	Gorman	11.52	8	2
3	Kraatz, Kuail	Miles	11.71	6	1
4	Molter, Kyle	Lometa	11.87	5	2
5	Jasso, Ivan	Lometa	11.92	4	3
6	Castruita, Josh	Lometa	11.93	3	1
7	Bellar, Jax	Baird	11.96	1.5	2
7	L'Abbe, Brandon	Winters	11.96	1.5	4
9	Woodard, Billy	Cross Plains	12.09	1	3
10	Herrera, Izael	Gorman	12.30	3	3
11	Maldonado, Jose	Gorman	12.42	4	4
12	Chinel, Alvin	Baird	12.55	5	5
13	Gabrelli, Gary	Miles	12.62	3	3
14	TREVOR, GILBERT	Miles	12.81	2	2
15	Bradley, Colton	Cross Plains	12.84	4	4
16	Reyes, Patrick	Winters	12.96	3	3

JV Boys 1600 Meters
Final

PL	PL Athlete	Team	Final	Pts
1	Meza, Joe	Miles	5:44.06	10
2	Carbal, Edgar	Miles	5:54.27	8
3	Kelly, Trevor	Miles	5:56.55	6
4	Devora, Jacob	Clyde Eula	6:02.96	5
5	Thompson, Charles	Cross Plains	6:12.61	4
6	Potter, Riley	Cross Plains	6:39.86	3
7	McKenzie, John	Cross Plains	6:46.00	2

Varsity Boys 1600 Meters
Final

PL	PL Athlete	Team	Final	Pts
1	XAVIER, GOMEZ	Miles	5:11.75	10
2	Gann, Tommy	Rising Star	5:22.75	8
3	Eddie, Calvagna	Cross Plains	5:35.91	6
4	Tillery, Jevon	Cross Plains	5:42.94	5
5	Reyes, Ernesto	Rising Star	5:47.34	4
6	Reyes, Gus	Rising Star	5:56.56	3
7	Wyatt, Seth	Cross Plains	5:59.84	2

JV Boys 3200 Meters
Final

PL	PL Athlete	Team	Final	Pts
1	Meza, Joe	Miles	12:15.22	10
2	Devora, Jacob	Clyde Eula	12:56.63	8
3	Thompson, Charles	Cross Plains	13:39.00	6
4	Beckham, Tristan	Clyde Eula	14:54.00	5

Varsity Boys 3200 Meters
Final

PL	PL Athlete	Team	Final	Pts
1	XAVIER, GOMEZ	Miles	11:06.15	10
2	Buitron, Armando	Gustine	12:02.21	8
3	Wyatt, Seth	Cross Plains	12:33.88	6
4	Kidd, Josh	Gustine	12:34.19	5
5	Reyes, Ernesto	Rising Star	12:36.84	4
6	Loessig, Bubba	Lometa	12:45.68	3
7	Lopez, Marc	Gustine	13:07.87	2
	Reyes, Gus	Rising Star	NT	
	Rodriguez, Rolando	Winters	NT	
	Valenzuela, Jose	Gustine	NT	
	Garcia, Andres	Gustine	NT	

JV Boys 200 Meters
Final

PL	PL Athlete	Team	Final	Pts	HPL
1	Fernandez, Josiah	Winters	26.06	10	1
2	Wilson, Hasting	Miles	26.87	8	1
3	Bittick, Daniel	Clyde Eula	27.75	6	1
4	Byrd, Paxton	Cross Plains	28.84	5	2
5	Morales, Brian	Cross Plains	29.11	4	2
6	Fernandez, David	Winters	29.34	3	3
7	Collins, Jaeggar	Winters	30.15	2	4
8	Luckow, Jason	Clyde Eula	30.38	1	5
9	Johnson, Mark	Miles	31.72	4	3

Varsity Boys 200 Meters
Final

PL	PL Athlete	Team	Final	Pts	HPL
1	Watkins, Cole	Clyde Eula	23.97	10	1
2	Herrera, Ismael	Gorman	24.09	8	1
3	Woodard, Billy	Cross Plains	25.05	6	2
4	L'Abbe, Brandon	Winters	25.89	5	3
5	Herrera, Izael	Gorman	25.43	4	2
6	rhoads, Tate	Baird	25.72	3	3
7	Maldonado, Jose	Gorman	26.03	2	4
8	Chinel, Alvin	Baird	26.28	1	5
9	Bradley, Colton	Cross Plains	26.72	1	1
10	TREVOR, GILBERT	Miles	26.84	6	6
11	Nuncio, Jared	Lohn	27.15	4	3

Varsity Boys 400 Meters
Final

PL	PL Athlete	Team	Final	Pts	HPL
1	McWilliams, Dobbs	Cross Plains	55.52	10	1
2	Jasso, Ivan	Lometa	56.94	8	1
3	Beauchamp, Ashton	Baird	58.28	6	2
4	Garcia, Joey	Winters	1:00.43	5	2
5	Torrez, Ike	Gorman	1:00.46	4	3
6	Bellar, Jax	Baird	1:00.55	3	4
7	Davidson, Ryan	Lometa	1:00.94	2	1
8	Davila, Louis	Lohn	1:02.91	1	3
9	Hipilito, Moses	Gorman	1:04.37	2	2
10	Bratton, Elijah	Baird	1:04.68	5	5
11	Evans, Logan	Lometa	1:07.94	3	3

JV Boys 400 Meters
Final

PL	PL Athlete	Team	Final	Pts	HPL
1	Seigler, Jesse	Clyde Eula	1:04.12	10	1
2	Fernandez, Josiah	Winters	1:05.52	8	1
3	Connelly, Gage	Cross Plains	1:06.88	6	2
4	Fernandez, David	Winters	1:07.10	5	3
5	Castaneda, Li	Miles	1:08.31	4	4
6	Payne, Mason	Winters	1:10.00	3	5
7	Morales, Brian	Cross Plains	1:10.24	2	6
8	Stout, Ky	Cross Plains	1:12.06	1	2
9	Griffin, Drew	Baird	1:15.06	3	3

Varsity Boys 800 Meters
Final

PL	PL Athlete	Team	Final	Pts
1	Gann, Tommy	Rising Star	2:13.53	10
2	Watkins, Cole	Clyde Eula	2:18.56	8
3	Tillery, Jevon	Cross Plains	2:19.97	6
4	Eddie, Calvagna	Cross Plains	2:24.01	5
5	Sanchez, Tony	Winters	2:28.34	4
6	Hipilito, Moses	Gorman	2:34.88	3

JV Boys 800 Meters
Final

PL	PL Athlete	Team	Final	Pts
1	Kelly, Treanly	Miles	2:37.00	10
2	APAT, KARHANY	Miles	2:42.99	8
3	Connelly, Gage	Cross Plains	2:47.05	6
4	Smith, Cade	Clyde Eula	2:48.21	5
5	Potter, Riley	Cross Plains	2:55.62	4
6	Beckham, Tristan	Clyde Eula	3:01.52	3

Varsity Boys 110m Hurdle
Final

PL	PL Athlete	Team	Final	Pts	HPL
1	Senclair, Holden	Cross Plains	17.52	10	1
2	Briggs, James	Cross Plains	19.11	8	2
3	Rainey, Sam	Gorman	19.64	6	1
4	Walton, Dylan	Gorman	21.11	5	2
5	Montelongo, Freddy	Gorman	21.33	4	3
	Escamilla, Jonathan	Gustine	NT		

JV Boys 110m Hurdle
Final

PL	PL Athlete	Team	Final	Pts
1	Russell, Corley	Miles	19.55	10
2	Jones, Eathan	Cross Plains	20.40	8

Varsity Boys 300m Hurdle
Final

PL	PL Athlete	Team	Final	Pts	HPL
1	Goode, Creed	Cross Plains	42.96	10	1
2	Fenley, Trent	Gorman	43.41	8	2
3	Molter, Kyle	Lometa	43.84	6	1
4	Roberts, Dillon	Lohn	44.15	5	2
5	CODY, RATHMELL	Miles	45.18	4	3
6	Briggs, James	Cross Plains	45.46	3	1
7	porter, seth	Baird	48.31	2	2
8	Rainey, Sam	Gorman	48.81	1	3
9	Richards, Kyle	Winters	49.56	4	4
10	Montelongo, Freddy	Gorman	49.69	4	4
11	Fanning, Dakota	Baird	50.66	4	4
12	Donica, Mason	Winters	51.78	4	4
	Castruita, Josh	Lometa	NT		

JV Boys 300m Hurdle
Final

PL	PL Athlete	Team	Final	Pts
1	Jones, Eathan	Cross Plains	53.56	10

Varsity Boys 4 x 100m Relay
Final

PL	JD Team	Sq	Final	Pts
1	Gorman	A	46.18	10
2	Cross Plains	A	46.74	8
3	Baird	A	47.21	6
4	Winters	A	48.71	5
	Gustine	A	NT	

JV Boys 4 x 100m Relay
Final

PL	JD Team	Sq	Final	Pts
1	Cross Plains	A	48.72	10
2	Baird	A	49.72	8
3	Miles	A	50.31	6

Varsity Boys 4 x 200m Relay
Final

PL	HPL	JD Team	Sq	Final	Pts
1	1	Gorman	A	1:39.06	10
2	2	Baird	A	1:40.59	8
3	3	Cross Plains	A	1:42.46	6
4	4	Miles	A	1:42.72	5
5	1	Winters	A	1:43.08	4

JV Boys 4 x 200m Relay
Final

PL	JD Team	Sq	Final	Pts
1	Cross Plains	A	1:43.59	10
2	Baird	A	1:44.37	8
3	Miles	A	1:47.47	6

JV Boys 4 x 400m Relay
Final

PL	JD Team	Sq	Final	Pts
1	Baird	A	4:00.65	10
2	Cross Plains	A	4:02.61	8
3	Clyde Eula	A	4:45.00	6

Varsity Boys 4 x 400m Relay
Final

PL	JD Team	Sq	Final	Pts
1	Gorman	A	3:44.41	10
2	Cross Plains	A	3:44.42	8
3	Baird	A	3:52.27	6
4	Gustine	A	3:56.00	5

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Cottonwood News by Beverly Brown

Cottonwood received about three inches of rain this week as measured by the local rain gauges, dog dishes, water troughs and metal buckets.

Because of the rain, the burn ban has been lifted, but even though the ground might be wet, a fire can still get out of hand. Be sure you call the Sheriff's Office before you do any kind of burning - even a control burn. Their number is 325-854-1444. Call them before you light the match.

The kids are out of school this week. They'll be back in class on Monday. Then Thursday, they'll be out of school at 11 a.m. And off on Friday for Good Friday.

Family visiting in the home of Carlisle and Summer Albrecht and boys were: Charlotte Hasten of Jacksboro; Andrew and Zephora Albrecht and Avery of Granbury; and Barbara and Donnie Worley.

Kaitlyn Potter, daughter of Portious and Kara Potter, granddaughter of Connie Potter, and great-granddaughter of Dena Nickerson, competes in the State Powerlifting competition this week.

Many Cottonwood folks attended the Kiwanis Pancake Supper. Erik Woodard, Adrian Allen and Roy Boyd all worked in the kitchen to make the event a great success.

Cottonwood Volunteer Fire Control will be holding a Fish Fry on Good Friday, March 25th with the Cottonwood Musical at the Community Center. Mark the date down now so you can come out and show your support.

There are many events and programs coming up for the Easter season. First, this Sunday is Palm Sunday.

Thursday is Maundy Thursday. The First United Methodist

Church in Cross Plains will have services at 6 p.m.

Friday is Good Friday. The school is closed. The First United Methodist Church will have services at 6 p.m. that evening.

The Presbyterian Church will have a special interactive Stations of the Cross event called: "Journey to the Cross: A Prayer Walk with Jesus" starting at 8 p.m. It's a come and go event, where you can spend as much time as you want viewing each station of the cross.

The kids from the First Baptist Church in Cross Plains will be going to a "Casting Crowns" concert on Good Friday, after a fun-filled day at Six Flags. Sounds like a lot of fun!

Saturday morning, there's the big Easter Egg Hunt in Cross Plains starting at 10 a.m. on the CPISD Practice Field.

Sunday Morning, the First United Methodist Church will have Sunrise Services at 7:00 a.m. in the Prayer Garden at the church, followed by a breakfast of pancakes. Regular Church services start at 10:45 a.m.

The First Presbyterian Church will present a special "minicantata" featuring 4His Glory on Easter Sunday morning starting at 9 a.m. You'll remember Matt and Mandi Sowell from when they grew up here in Cottonwood.

Cottonwood Baptist Church will have a special Baptism on Sunday morning. Several of the local kids will be baptized on Easter Sunday. What a special blessing!

There will not be a Sunday night service at the First Baptist Church in Cross Plains.

Enjoy Easter with your family and attend the church of your choice.



Jackilann Shepard-Track



Shelby McWilliams -Track



Shana Yates passing baton to Grace Goode

District Track Meet Results

Cross Plains ISD DirectAthletics MeetPro Buffalo Relays Cross Plains, Cross Plains, TX

Women's 100 Meters Final				
PL	PL Athlete	Team	Final	Pts HPL
1	Rathmell, Cassidy	Miles	13.62	10 1
2	Gonzales, Breanna	Baird	13.78	8 2
3	Campbell, Bradi	Gorman	13.93	6 1
4	Masonheimer, Grace	Lometa	14.02	5 1
5	Ancell, Jaidyn	Clyde Eula	14.09	4 2
6	Valdez, Vanessa	Gorman	14.20	3 1
7	Alaniz, MacInta	Lometa	14.21	2 1
8	Yates, Shana	Cross Plains	14.27	1 2
9	Staten, Brooke	Baird	14.37	2
10	Fenton, Kailey	Clyde Eula	14.56	3
11	Crockett, Hannah	Cross Plains	14.57	4
12	Cowan, Hannah	Cross Plains	14.72	3
13	Everhardt, Giselle	Miles	14.75	4
14	Mata, Becky	Gorman	15.05	2
15	Self, Hailey	Baird	15.22	2
16	Reeves, Savannah	De Leon	15.62	3
17	Landa, Clarissa	De Leon	15.78	5
18	Guthrie, Erynn	Lometa	16.36	4
19	Mason, Makie	Winters	16.49	4
20	Lewis, Allison	De Leon	16.50	4
21	Caso, Alondra	Lometa	17.08	5
	brubaker, lyanasse	Rising Star	NT	
	Painter, Annie	Gustine	NT	
	Robbins, Makayla	Gustine	NT	

Women's 200 Meters Final				
PL	PL Athlete	Team	Final	Pts HPL
1	Creech, Cara	Baird	28.15	10 1
2	Wilde, Jessica	Miles	28.50	8 1
3	Masonheimer, Grace	Lometa	29.81	6 1
4	Crocker, Mikaela	Miles	29.96	5 2
5	Fenton, Kailey	Clyde Eula	30.41	4 1
6	Staten, Brooke	Baird	30.46	3 3
7	Cowan, Hannah	Cross Plains	30.72	2 4
8	Alvarado, Natalie	De Leon	30.90	1 1
9	Ancell, Jaidyn	Clyde Eula	30.96	2
10	Crockett, Hannah	Cross Plains	31.15	3
11	Wright, Morgan	Gorman	31.44	2
12	Alaniz, MacInta	Lometa	31.91	3
13	Seaney, Kristan	Winters	32.09	5
14	Landa, Briana	Gorman	32.12	4
15	Mata, Becky	Gorman	32.38	5
16	Self, Hailey	Baird	32.56	5
17	Williams, Payton	De Leon	32.59	3
18	Molter, Allie	Lometa	33.22	4
19	Barron, Cayla	Cross Plains	33.90	4
20	Gilmore, Sophie	De Leon	33.93	5
21	Wilson, Hannah	Miles	34.15	4
22	Anderson, Brooklynn	Winters	35.93	6
23	Guthrie, Erynn	Lometa	36.81	6

Women's 400 Meters Final				
PL	PL Athlete	Team	Final	Pts HPL
1	McWilliams, Shelby	Cross Plains	1:02.15	10 1
2	Ramirez, Jessica	Gorman	1:04.97	8 2
3	Carson, Destiny	Clyde Eula	1:07.41	6 1
4	Crocker, Mikaela	Miles	1:07.68	5 3
5	Knights, Bailly	Winters	1:08.62	4 1
6	Wilde, Jessica	Miles	1:09.40	3 4
7	Jobe, Tayln	De Leon	1:10.25	2 2
8	Luckow, Susan	Clyde Eula	1:12.97	1 2
9	Alvarado, Natalie	De Leon	1:13.76	3
10	Wright, Morgan	Gorman	1:14.16	3
11	Smith, Caylee	Clyde Eula	1:15.41	4
12	Fortune, Hanna	Cross Plains	1:15.93	4
13	Valdez, Jennifer	Gorman	1:16.22	1
14	Mahan, Alyssa	De Leon	1:16.87	5
15	Tuten, Allison	Cross Plains	1:19.44	2
16	Wade, Jenessa	Winters	1:20.84	3

Women's 800 Meters Final				
PL	PL Athlete	Team	Final	Pts
1	McWilliams, Shelby	Cross Plains	2:30.56	10
2	Carson, Destiny	Clyde Eula	2:40.21	8
3	Ramirez, Jessica	Gorman	2:42.69	6
4	Teague, Courtney	Lohn	2:49.68	5
5	Meza, Alisea	Miles	2:51.24	4
6	Havlak, Karlin	Miles	2:51.56	3

Women's 1600 Meters Final				
PL	PL Athlete	Team	Final	Pts
1	Jobe, Tayln	De Leon	6:11.12	10
2	Meza, Alisea	Miles	6:20.98	8
3	Hugg, Ireland	De Leon	6:30.91	6
4	Trevino, Makayla	Lohn	6:35.90	5
5	Fulgham, Morgan	Clyde Eula	6:38.50	4
6	Martin, Kylee	Miles	6:43.31	3

Women's 3200 Meters Final				
PL	PL Athlete	Team	Final	Pts
1	Shepard, Jackilann	Cross Plains	13:38.75	10
2	Trevino, Makayla	Lohn	13:53.00	8
3	Hugg, Liberty	De Leon	15:14.15	6
4	Rosales, Emily	Lometa	15:45.93	5
5	Castillo, Maria	Lometa	15:46.62	4
6	Rosales, Ashley	Lometa	15:47.75	3
7	Ortiz, Sonia	Winters	17:42.93	2


Women's 100m Hurdle Final				
PL	PL Athlete	Team	Final	Pts HPL
1	Wyatt, Kersey	Cross Plains	17.68	10 1
2	Alford, Chloe	Cross Plains	18.81	8 2
3	Williamson, Tori	Gorman	19.30	6 1
4	Kirkland, Kailey	Baird	20.19	5 3
5	Chancellor, Bethany	Clyde Eula	20.22	4 4
6	Alvarado, Justine	Winters	20.56	3 1
7	Skelton, Rain	Clyde Eula	20.96	2 2
8	Scott, Megan	Clyde Eula	21.21	1 2
9	Greer, Kayli	Clyde Eula	22.87	3
10	Mauricio, Alexis	Cross Plains	22.28	4

Women's 300m Hurdle Final				
PL	PL Athlete	Team	Final	Pts HPL
1	Shepard, Jackilann	Cross Plains	54.14	10 1
2	Skelton, Rain	Clyde Eula	55.36	8 2
3	Yates, Shana	Cross Plains	55.68	6 3
4	Wyatt, Kersey	Cross Plains	56.49	5 1
5	Williamson, Tori	Gorman	59.08	3.5 4
6	Vasquez, Sonya	Winters	59.08	3.5 4
7	Lovelace, Charcyona	Winters	1:00.11	2 2
8	Scott, Megan	Clyde Eula	1:01.11	1 3
9	Segura, Ella	Gorman	1:01.40	6
10	Greer, Kayli	Clyde Eula	1:06.05	4
	Landa, Katalina	Gorman	1:06.05	4

Women's 4 x 100m Relay Final				
PL	HPL	JD Team	Sq	Final Pts
1	1	Baird	A	54.69 10
2	2	Cross Plains	A	55.09 8
3	3	Miles	A	55.28 6
4	4	Gorman	A	56.81 5
5	1	Winters	A	1:00.00 4
		Rising Star	A	NT
		Clyde Eula	A	NT

Women's 4 x 200m Relay Final				
PL	JD Team	Sq	Final	Pts
1	Baird	A	1:58.93	10
2	Cross Plains	A	1:58.96	8
3	De Leon	A	2:03.08	6
4	Winters	A	2:06.90	5
5	Gorman	A	2:07.27	4

Women's 4 x 400m Relay Final				
PL	JD Team	Sq	Final	Pts
1	Cross Plains	A	4:27.02	10
2	De Leon	A	4:45.15	8
3	Winters	A	4:59.56	6
	Baird	A	NT	



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Deaf Smith--a famous figure from the Texas Revolution

By Dr. Ken Bridges

Erastus Smith was perhaps one of the most unique figures to emerge from the early years of Texas History. In spite of a nearly total hearing loss, "Deaf" Smith still served Texas with courage and distinction. While he may not have been able to hear, Texas listened closely to what he had to say.

Smith was born in Dutchess County, New York, about 80 miles north of New York City. His parents, Chilaib and Mary Smith, were farmers. In 1799, they moved to Natchez in the Mississippi Territory in pursuit of the new lands available.

According to reports, Smith lost nearly all of his hearing due to an unspecified illness he suffered as a child. In the years before vaccines and antibiotics, such tragedies were not unusual and any of a number of diseases curable with modern medicine could have been responsible. Nevertheless, his vision and keen sense of discernment remained intact, and Smith remained determined not to let this loss discourage him in any way.

He briefly visited Texas in 1817 before returning to Mississippi. In 1821, he returned to Texas and settled in San Antonio where he married a local widow. Together, they had four children. In 1825, he became one of the first settlers in the community of Gonzales, the first American settlement in Texas west of the Colorado River.

In 1835, when Mexican Gen. Martin Perfecto de Cos briefly seized control of San Antonio, they blocked Smith, who had been away for some time, from seeing his family. At the age of 48, he joined the forces of Stephen F. Austin in an attempt to break the siege and served as a scout. Smith's careful observation revealed that Cos did not have the resources to survive a long siege. Half-starved, Cos and his army surrendered in December.

Smith stayed in San Antonio to help with the defense of the city while his wife and children fled to nearby Columbia. Mexican forces returned the next February. After Col. William Barret Travis

wrote his now-famous appeal to Texans and the world for aid, he sent Smith with the letter to Gen. Sam Houston, commander of all Texas forces. Houston sent Smith back to the Alamo to learn of its fate, only to return with the news of its fall and the slaughter of its defenders.

Houston promoted Smith to the rank of captain and continued to use him for reconnaissance while Texas forces pulled back toward San Jacinto. Smith captured a number of Mexican spies and messengers and as the battle at San Jacinto approached and cut down a wooden bridge with an ax to cut off a possible retreat by Mexican forces. After the battle in April, Smith was entrusted with delivering the orders of the surrendering Gen. Antonio Lopez de Santa Anna to all remaining Mexican forces to leave Texas.

Smith returned to military service briefly in 1837 as a Ranger to deflect Mexican forces

attempting to enter Texas at Laredo. Shortly afterward, Smith moved to Richmond, just west of modern-day Houston. His time here would not last long. In November, he contracted a sudden illness and died. He was only 50 years old.

The Telegraph and Texas Register newspaper revered his life upon the news of his death, "This singular individual was one whose name bears with it more respect than sounding titles. Major, Colonel, General, sink into insignificance before the simple name of "Deaf Smith." The Republic of Texas later put his image on the Texas \$5 bill. In 1876, the state legislature named Deaf Smith County in the Panhandle in memory of the revered hero of the Texas Revolution.

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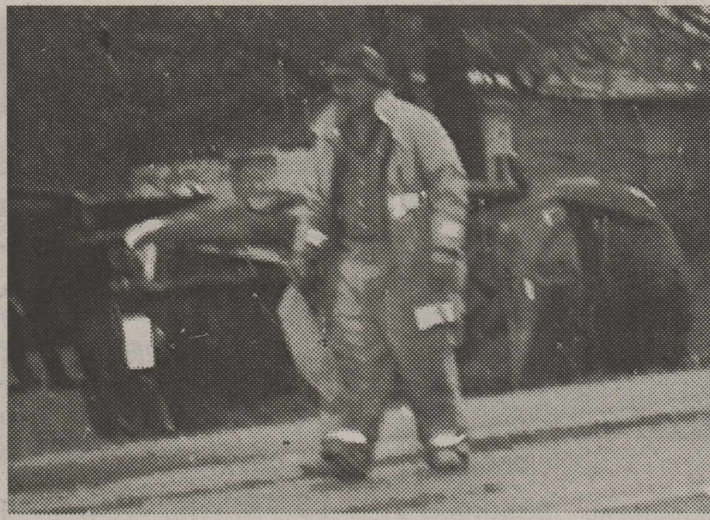
The Cross Plains EMS was also on the scene.



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Police Chief Don Gosnell and Firefighter Josh Loftis help get the vehicle on the wrecker



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Writing Contest at the Cross Plains Public Library

The Cross Plains Public Library is accepting entries for our annual writing contest. This contest is open to all students attending, or eligible to attend, the Cross Plains Public Schools. Poetry, essay and short stories are allowed. Entries will be accepted from grades K through 12. Home schooled children are responsible for inquires to the awards assembly date and time. The library will not contact home schooled recipients. CPISD students should ask their teacher in regard to entering through the school or they may enter at the library. Only one entry per

student will be accepted.

Entries are to be submitted to the library no later than March 31, 2016. Entries will be "blind judged" with ribbons awarded to the top three entries in each respective grade. The overall top winner will receive a plaque and a gift card. Second and 3rd place winners will receive a gift card.

The three overall winner's papers will be submitted to the Cross Plains Review for publication. For additional information please contact the library at 725-7722 or Marsha Ossowski at 325-201-4150.

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Thank You

Thank you to everyone that prayed, sent texts, called, sent food and came to visit when Madison had her Open Heart surgery and for the last couple of months. We were overwhelmed with the love that was shown for her, and Thank You does not seem to be enough. We know that God gives the wisdom to the doctors, but most importantly we know the surgery was a success because of the prayers that were said for her. We appreciate each and every prayer. It is a blessing to live in a small town where people still care.

Thank you again to everyone.
Kyle, Penny & Madison Foster

Cross Plains I.S.D. School Board Minutes

March 9, 2016

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, Roy Richey and Bryan Bennett.

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

Prayer was led by Leslie Lawrence.

Davy Crockett left on emergency.

Motion was made by Bennett and seconded by Richey that we waive the penalty and interest for a resident located at 22911 County Road 596 Cross Plains. For 6/Against 0

Motion was made by Cowan and seconded by McWilliams that we approve the reading of the minutes with correction. For 6/Against 0

Motion was made by Cowan and seconded by Shepard that we rescind the motion to buy the 4-1/2 lots across the Hwy. 206 that was voted on at the February meeting. For 6/Against 0

Motion was made by Cowan and seconded by Shepard that we apply for a grant for a School Resource Officer. For 6/Against 0

Motion was made by McWilliams and seconded by Richey that we enter agreement with Specialized Public Finance Inc. in order to perform financial advisory services for CPISD in the event of passing bond election. For 6/Against 0

Mr. Mitchell advised the board that he accepted resignations from Terri Hunter, Edith Cooper, Mark Kelley and Jack Eison.

Motion was made by Crockett

and seconded by Richey that we accept the Elementary teachers Term Contract list as recommended by the Superintendent:

For 4/Against 0/Abstained 2 (Cowan, Shepard)

Jamie Apple, Cynthia Beggs, Patricia Cook, April Cowan, Melinda Dixon, Deanna Golson, Kelli Hyles, Casie Morgan, Nora Odom, Janice Phillips, Melissa Richards, Karri Shepard, Stephanie Walker and Mindy Whitaker

Motion was made by Cowan and seconded by McWilliams that we accept the recommendation to extend Jodi Carter on a Probationary Contract. For 6/Against 0

Motion was made by Cowan and seconded by Shepard that we accept the recommendation to extend the Term Contract for Secondary teachers:

For 5/Against 0/Abstain 1 (Richey)

Janna Austin, Rhonda Atchley, Shawn Bullock, Keeka Byrd, Elvan Goode, Stacy Jones, Marc Morgan and Brandi Purvis

Motion was made by McWilliams and seconded by Cowan that we accept the recommendation to extend the Term Contract for Secondary Dual Assignment:

For 6/Against 0
Matt Sowell, Mykia Anderson, T'Leah Eicke, JoJo Morgan and John Ward

Motion was made by Shepard and seconded by McWilliams that we accept the recommendation to extend the Probationary Contract for Ashley Moses for the Secondary campus. For 6/Against 0

Motion was made by Bennett and seconded by Ames that we hire Dade Cosby on an 11 month Probationary Dual Assignment Contract. For 6/Against 0

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

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1 money owed

5 TX singer

6 TXism: "fought tooth and"

7 Grape, TX

8 TXism: "heavy as the front of a John Deere"

9 Houston's St. Regis was previously "Remington on Post"

16 the south end of a northbound mule

18 TXism: "does (no) ___ milk?"

21 "yes" south of the border

22 Astro or Ranger feat: "grand ___"

23 Jimmy Johnson set up charity for advantaged kids

24 Houston ball club HPU's "Douglas MacArthur"

34 this Otto directed TX Gene Tierney in "Laura" (init.)

35 TXism: "it didn't ___ (failed)"

36 TXism: "he ___ sleeps fast" (active)

37 Illinois or Iowa town, backwards

39 TX A.J. Foyt racing site in Florida

43 TX TV physician: Duke

44 soluble mineral salt

45 ___ Slickle State Forest

46 TX Perot's old company: Electronic ___ Systems

47 Confederate gen. statue site in Dallas (2 wds.)

49 jeans inventor Levi

52 leaves "high and dry"

53 in Lamb Co. on 70

54 mental deterioration

57 at 7' 8", TX Jack Earle was once the "Tallest ___ the World"

58 ABC newswoman from Dallas' WFAA: Lisa Mc ___

59 TX pronunciation of "your"

60 commercials on KHOU-TV, e.g.

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1 mostly in Yoakum Co.: ___ City, TX

2 John Steinbeck's TX wife

3 TXism: "___ bat" (bad eyesight)

4 tall Texas ___

9 ___ "Bum" Phillips

10 times not in school

11 Columbus, TX FM station

12 TXism: "turn about is fair ___"

13 Jamoca ___

14 a TX Gatlin (init.)

15 TXism: "restless as a ___ in church"

17 El Campo High School mascot

19 TX Sissy Spacek 1986 film: "___ Are Blue"

20 in San Antonio: Mission San Francisco de la ___

24 news wrangler

25 TXism: "tear jerker"

26 state assoc. for TLC providers

27 Rangers & Astros Kansas City foe

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40 auto parts store or a California wine county

41 TX moonwalker

42 managers of TX inns

48 Seminole FM

50 made-in-TX film: "Baby, the ___ Must Fall"

51 San Antonio's beautiful "McNay ___ Museum"

55 TXism: "___ soul" (no one)

56 TXism: "___ that like a duck needs an umbrella"

Bob Harrell receives farewell from community

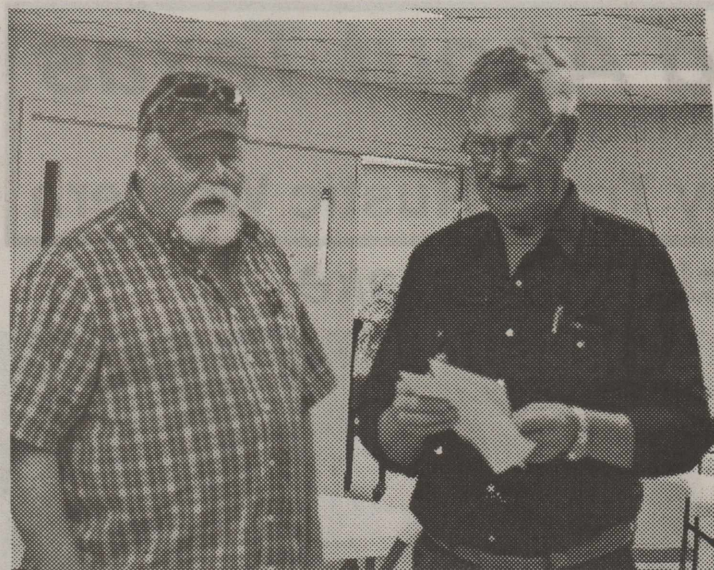
Well it is official after 34 years Bob Harrell has retired from the Higginbotham Funeral Home. His retirement party was on Saturday, March 5, 2016 at the Cross Plains Baptist Church Family Life Center. He had around 78 guest as well as close family and friends come to congratulate him on his next adventure.

Some of the guest were Funeral Directors, co-worker and good friends.

Bob and his family would like to Thank everyone for all the texts, emails, phone calls, cards, gifts and for those who came by to congratulate him on his retirement. God Bless you all!



Bob Harrell and wife Dee Harrell



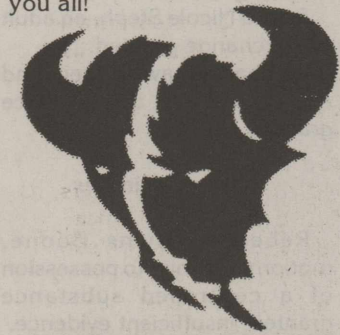
Rusty Reed and Bob Harrell



Bob Harrell and his sister Betty Faught



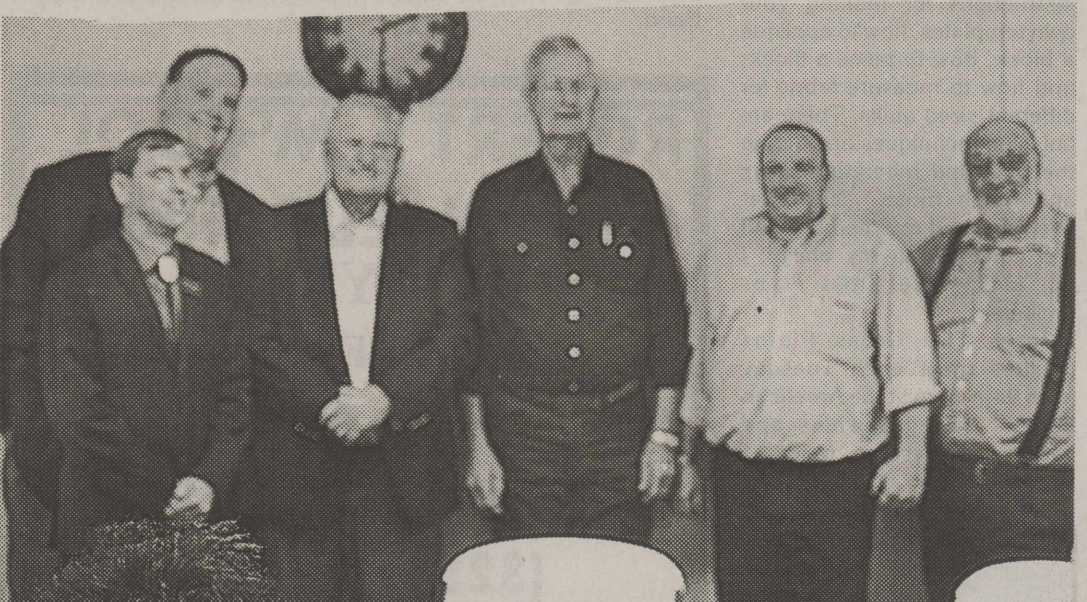
Well wishers at Bob Harrell retirement



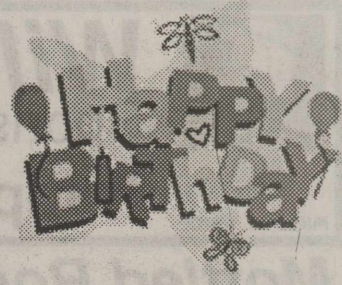
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Bob Harrell visits with area funeral directors at his retirement party.



March 20

Priscilla Perry
Kyler Stout
Mike Duke
Sandra Kelly
Jeffery Champion
Howard Phillips
Howard Lee

March 21

Linda (Whitton) Hill
Wesley Markham
Lisa Vaught Campbell
Laura Ann Baum
Wesley Banks
Selena Twiner
Donna Roe
Andrea Hamer
Kimberly Goldsmith
Chris Orum

March 22

Loli Vasquez
Barbara (Strickland) Lambert
Brian Kelly
Brenda Nelson
Marie Starr
Robert Ringhoffer
Randy Nickerson
Hannah Harris

March 23

Kelly Gardner
Anna Jo McLain
Winnie (Boden) McGill
Diana (Purvis) Stover
Van Steven Young
Wesley Hutchins
H.H. Stout
Lisa Malvane
Linda (Larkin) Roitch
Debbie Box

March 24

Kathy (Nickerson) Franke
Mrs. Norma Lee
Calvert Sheppard
Don Scott
Becky Baird Overstreet
Mrs. W.E. Nowell
Donnie Duncan
Duane Hutchins
Tommy Potter
Christine Ferrell Morrison
Ty Johnson

March 25

Tawni Gary
J.T. Sheppard
Cindy Kinnard
Ronnie Richardson
H.G. Thronton
Theada Allen
Bill Richardson
Anita Rose
Cliffadean Hargrove
Johnathan Gardener
Beverly (Boles) Archer
Ashleigh Galloway

March 26

A.F. Thate
Teri Markham
William Keith Kelly
Era Miller
James Miller
Sue Stone
Carrol Faulkner
Carl Sheppard
Dena Marie Nichols
Marian Harris
Kenneth Bell

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Join "The Blind Side" Book-to-Movie Event

It's not too late to join the Cross Plains Public Library's book-to-movie event featuring "The Blind Side" - a true story of football player Michael Oher - on Thursday, March 31 at 5:30 p.m. Participants may pick up a copy of the book for only \$5 at the library, while supplies last. We will view the movie on the 31st and then head to Jean's for a Dutch-treat dinner to discuss the book vs. the movie. If you want to participate, but wish to download the book on your Nook or Kindle, please call Sandra at the library (725-7722) and sign up.

You can also check out Michael Oher's book "I Beat the Odds" at the library. Both are available on CD, too.

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Mottled Rock Rattlesnake

Most people associate the name rattlesnake with the large and infamous Western Diamond-backed Rattlesnake, completely unaware that we have six other species that call Texas home. One of the most variably colored and common, yet often unseen, rattlesnakes actually occurs in west Texas, and that is the Mottled Rock Rattlesnake.

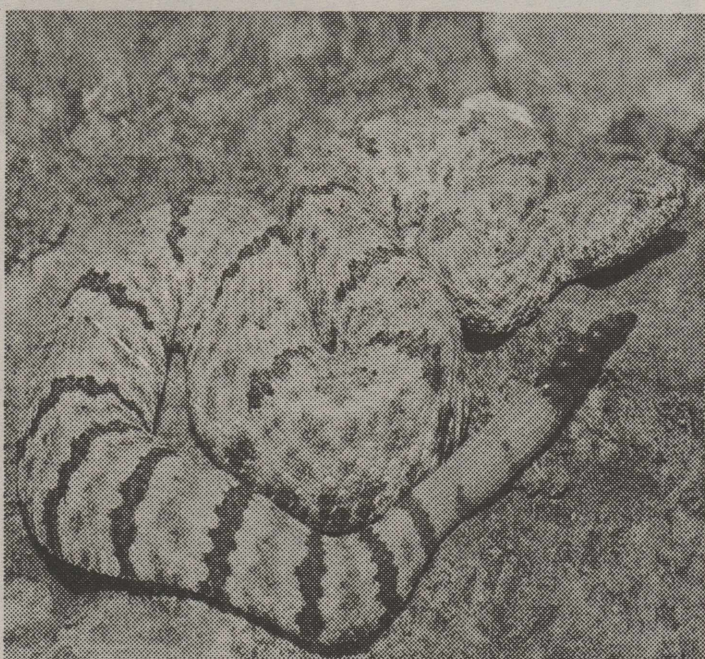
The Mottled Rock Rattlesnake (*Crotalus lepidus lepidus*) occurs from the Guadalupe Mountains in southern New Mexico southward to the Chihuahuan Desert expanses of central Durango, Mexico. Its primary range lies south of our international borders as it occurs in at least five Mexican states. In Texas it can be observed from the southern portions of the Edwards Plateau (Real county) westward through the Hueco Mountains (east of the Hueco Basin). West of there it is replaced by its more banded subspecies, the Banded Rock Rattlesnake. As a denizen of the Edwards and Stockton Plateaus, as well as the "islands" of the Chihuahuan Desert, this diminutive species of pit viper prefers rocky areas such as canyons and dry arroyos of mesas and mountains to inhabit.

This is a relatively petite species of rattlesnake with adults averaging a total length of only twenty two inches. Sexual maturity is reached at about eighteen inches while the largest on record was a "colossal" thirty two inches.

Mottled Rock Rattlesnakes are a prime example of an animal adapting to the environment in which they dwell. The background coloration of specimens typically complement the colors of the rocks where they live, with animals from the eastern portions of the range (Edwards Plateau) exhibiting a bright gray coloration, while specimens from the central portions of their Texas range (Stockton Plateau) display a darker, almost tan coloration. And of course, individuals abiding in the "mountain islands" of the Chihuahuan Desert complement the darker igneous rocks by having a background coloration different shades of red, pink, or brown.

Regardless of the background coloration, there are anywhere from 13 to 24 primary bands that are typically a shade or two darker than the background hue. The spaces between the primary bands are usually mottled, this being where this serpent gets its common name. It also has a very distinctive facial stripe that slants from behind the eye to the corner of the mouth.

Like other rattlesnakes, the head of this species is distinctly wider than the neck, giving this animal the famous "diamond-shaped" head. The pupils are elliptical, and the rattle is proportionately small and is incapable of being heard except when in close proximity. This species is typically cre-



Mottled Rock Rattlesnake (*Crotalus lepidus lepidus*)

puscular (active at dawn and dusk) during the spring and fall when night-time temperatures begin to fall and are nocturnal (active at night) during the summer months when the daytime temperatures exceed intolerable highs. It uses its venom to obtain its prey, which is primarily made up of lizards of appropriate sizes. Adults will also feed on small, nestling rodents. Interestingly enough, juveniles will occasionally add centipedes to their diet.

The process of winter brumation, (not hibernation as the animal does not sleep through the winter, but rather just slows its heart rate and metabolism) generally takes place between late October to mid-March. Even in mid-winter, this species may make an appearance on exceptionally warm days to bask in the heating rays from the sun, particularly females that are carrying fertilized ova.

Breeding usually takes place in the fall, with the female holding on to its mates sperm over the winter until spring, when ovulation actually takes place. Rock rattlers are oviparous, which means they give birth to living young, and the six inch-long neonates (which number from 2 to 6) are typically born in late summer and early fall. Other than having a "button" on the end of the tail and a higher amount of mottling in between the primary bands, they are exact replicas of

the adults and are fully capable of fending for themselves, including having fully functional fangs and venom apparatus'.

As a rule, threatened Rock Rattlesnakes are a bit more high-strung than the more well-known Western Diamondback Rattler, and their venom is estimated to be one to one and one-half as times more potent. However, the necrotic properties of this species venom are much less than the Diamondbacks, and obviously the venom yield is as well. This does not make them any less dangerous, but because they typically live in remote areas that are generally inaccessible to the general public, they are not considered to be a serious threat to people or livestock.

When participating in outdoor activities, the risk of encountering a Rock Rattlesnake is remarkably slim, although it can and does happen occasionally. If such an encounter occurs, remember that this animal, despite its harmful capability, is truly more afraid of you than you are of it (to it, a person is nothing more than a large predator!) and it would prefer to be left alone. The best course of action is to walk, don't run, in the opposite direction.

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What Are You Reading?

by the Bookworms



We bookworms don't always read fiction... so I am reviewing a non-fiction title this week. I used to quilt long ago and I loved piecing together the tops, using different designs and even making up my own patterns. It's been awhile since I quilted, so I decided to brush up on my technique. The library had so many books to choose from, but I settled on "101 Full-Size Quilt Blocks and Borders" - a Better Homes and Gardens book.

This is a great book for beginners and intermediate quilters. It contains many traditional pieced-block patterns, as well as appliques. There are sections on florals, country classics, Americana, and one titled Just For Fun. I like that each pattern is complete and the instructions are clear. There are photos of varying colors for each block and even illustrations of a full-size quilt to give you an idea of what it will look like when finished. In addition to the 80 block patterns, there are 21 borders in three-, four-and-a-half-, six-, and nine-inch repeat. I took this opportunity to use up all those little scraps of material I had laying around by making points for future borders and then stored them in a small, clear plastic tub.

The book also contains basic instructions for making your own templates, how to applique a block, how to piece a block, and how to measure fabric for different-sized quilts. There are finishing techniques on binding the quilt and mitering corners and much more. Now that I've refreshed my memory and feel confident in my ability, I am joining the Cross Plains Quilters!

Note: The Cross Plains Quilters meet each Tuesday from 9am-3pm at the American Legion Hall. Newbies and veteran quilters are welcome to join!

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COURTHOUSE NEWS

Callahan County Court
Roger Corn, presiding

Misdemeanor Filings

James Allen Johnson, theft by check.
Travis Long, theft.

Misdemeanor Minutes

April J. McDonald, motion to dismiss to theft by check granted in the interest of justice.

Cheryl A. Salazar, motion to dismiss motion to revoke probation and adjudicate granted.

Ryan Conner Presley, motion to dismiss motion to revoke probation and adjudicate granted.

Ashley N. Phipps, order on motion to revoke probation granted.

Christopher W. Williams, motion to dismiss to evading arrest granted for plea to other case.

James M. Worley, order amending conditions of probation granted.

Judy A. McCrary, motion to dismiss to theft granted, case refiled.

Marriage Licenses

Lejay ODaniel Alexander and Jessica Leigh Bowen, both of Baird.

42nd District Court
John Weeks, presiding

Civil Filings

Jessica Kay Jurgens and Brian Christian Jurgens, divorce.

Civil Minutes

Blue Cross Texas Federal Credit Union vs. Mark Caywood, plaintiff should have judgment for possession and foreclosure of its security interest in the 2015 Mazda CX-5 granted.

Colby Ray Stevenson and Kimberly Ann Stevenson, divorce granted.

Royda Nicole Steph, an adult name change granted.

Stephanie Dawn Garcia and Alvino Garcia, Jr., divorce granted.

Criminal Minutes

Rebecca Havins Boone, motion to dismiss to possession of a controlled substance granted, insufficient evidence.

Michael Spencer, motion to dismiss to possession of a controlled substance granted, evidence suppressed.

Margarito Puento, Jr., plea of guilty to driving while intoxicated, 5 year probation, \$1000 fine, \$464 court costs.

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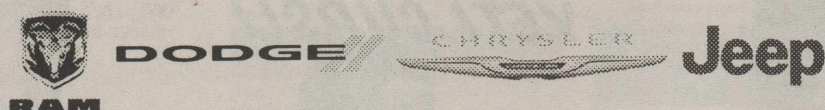
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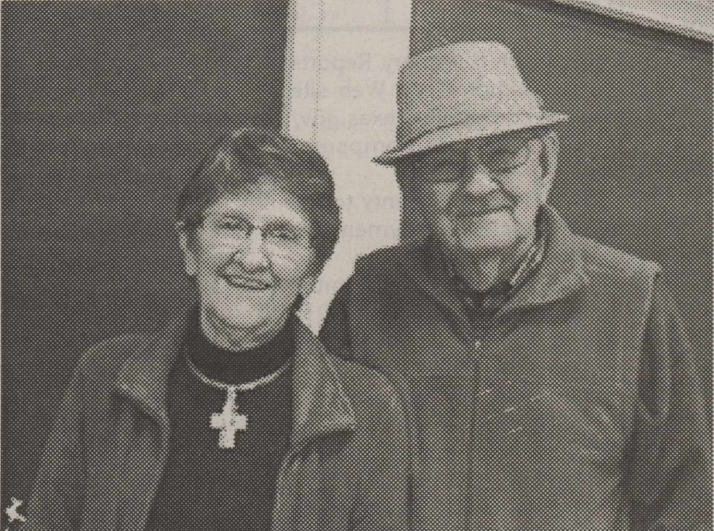
The Kiwanis Club International of Cross Plains would like to thank the community for your outstanding support of our Pancake Supper.

We also would like to thank IHOP of Abilene and The Butcher Block of Cross Plains for their generous donation in our endeavor to assist the children of the community.

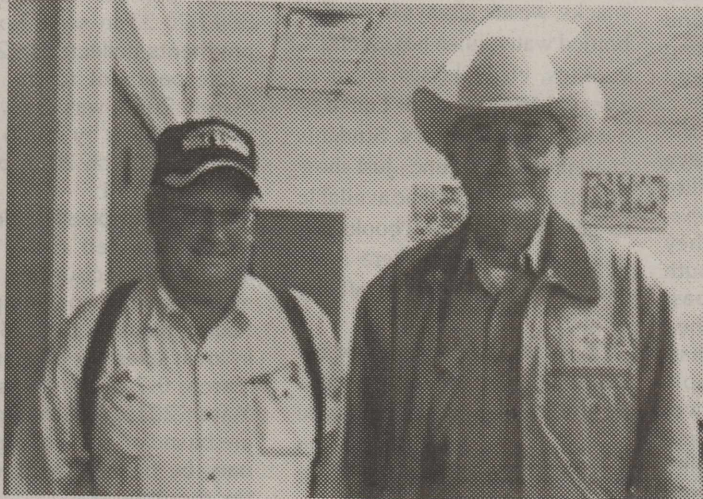
A fun evening of food and fellowship was enjoyed by everyone.



Rick Austin, Adrian Allen and Kevin Morton



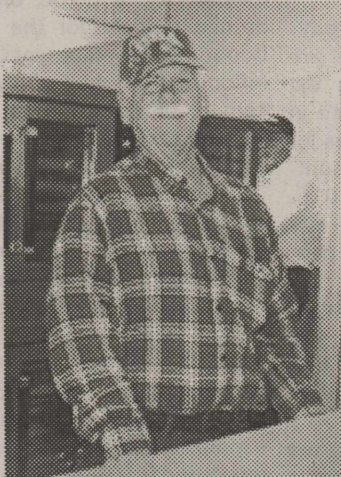
Arlene and Tom Stephenson



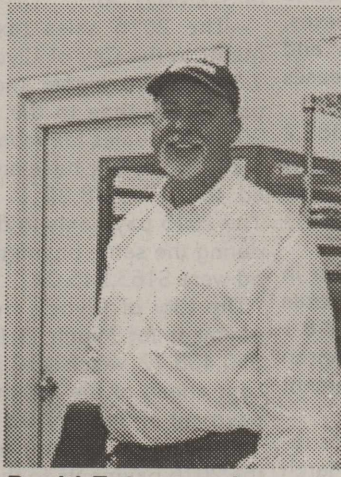
Rickey Carouth and Sheriff Terry Joy



Connie and Cliff Kirkham



Roy Boyd working in the kitchen



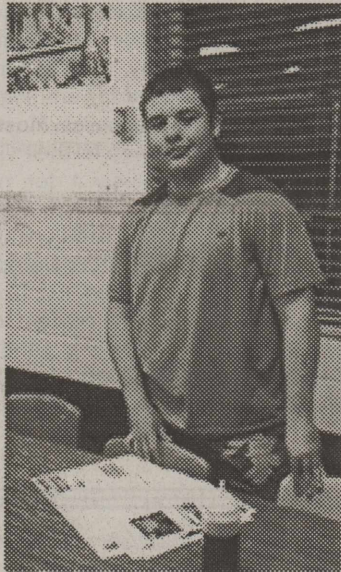
David Estes serving pancakes



Kennith and Ann Beeler enjoying pancakes



Dale Bishop, LeeAnne Morton and Sheena Apple



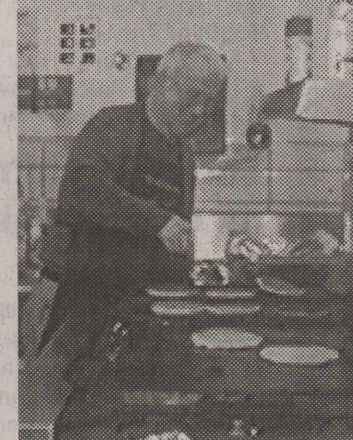
Westley Alexander, student helper



Connie Kirkham serving iced tea and water



Susan Schaefer and Erik Woodard working in the kitchen.



Kevin Morton cooking pancakes

Kiwanis Pancake Supper a Success

The Kiwanis Pancake Supper was a huge success. Everyone enjoyed the food and the fellowship, despite the rain (which we love). Over 140 people came out to the school cafeteria and enjoyed pancakes and sausage cooked by the local Kiwanis.

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Through The Faces of Margraten tribute in May of this year the Dutch will pay special tribute to these soldiers by decorating their more than 10,000 graves and names on the Walls of the Missing with personal photos of the soldiers. The project has started a quest to locate more soldiers' photos.

Photos are needed of two Callahan County soldiers, Raymond Tension of Cross Plains, and James Rawson, whose address was just listed as Callahan County.

Photos can be submitted through the project's website, www.TheFacesOfMargraten.com. All submitted photos as well as other information on these soldiers can already be found in the foundation's Fields of Honor - Database. The photos will be placed next to the headstones from May 1-5, when the Netherlands observes the 71st anniversary

of its liberation.

Since 1945, Dutch locals have adopted the graves of the soldiers buried in Margraten. Out of heartfelt respect and gratitude, the graves' adopters regularly visit the graves and decorate them with flowers. Many of the graves' adopters also continue to correspond with the families of soldiers back home in the United States. The care for the graves of their loved ones has been a comfort to many of these families and the foundation of long-lasting friendships between Dutch and American families.

Seventy-one years after the war, younger generations have taken up the responsibility to remember these soldiers. "When I speak to people they sometimes say that the youth no longer cares about the past and those who fought for their freedom. I do not believe that. Many young Dutch people show an interest in the war and continue to visit these cemeteries, and many, like me, have adopted a grave and are volunteers for The Faces of Margraten tribute. We will continue to remember those who made the ultimate sacrifice for many years to come," Vonk, 23 himself, concludes.

More information about the project can be found at www.thefacesofmargraten.com. More information on the foundation can be found at www.svaao.nl.

"Feed a Mind, Feed a Body" Needs Your Help

The Cross Plains Public Library's program, "Feed a Mind; Feed a Body," was created to provide food for students working toward their GED. GED classes start at 5 P.M. and are not over until 9 P.M., so most students don't have time for supper, therefore meals and snacks are being provided by local businesses and patrons. We have plenty of donors for meals, but if you would like to help with snacks, we are always in need of bottled water, juice boxes, chips, cookies, etc. Classes are held every Monday and Tuesday evening at the library. Students can enroll at any time - just show up and someone will be available to get you started. All books and materials are free! There is no excuse for you to put this off any longer.

Thank you to everyone for the overwhelming support we have received in our community - you are helping our students take an important step in turning their dreams into reality.

Better Breathers Club

The Better Breathers Club sponsored by the America Lung Association and Brownwood Regional Medical Center meets the 2nd Tuesday of every month from 2:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. Learn about your lungs and a better way to live.

Meetings are at the Brownwood Regional Medical Center, Classroom 1. You may contact either Anne Winklemann or Helen Hutchins at 325-641-2960 for more information. Admission is free and refreshments will be served.

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Cross Plains 2016 retail sales lower by 14%

The City of Cross Plains' one percent city sales tax payments in 2016 are just over fourteen percent lower than 2015, according to the Texas State Comptroller's office.

Texas State Comptroller Glenn Hegar reported the city's sales tax payment on Wednesday, March 9th.

Cross Plains' 2016 sales tax payments for the year totaled \$51,021.22, which is 14.27 percent lower than the \$59,520.33 in sales tax rebate payments collected in 2015.

The payment to the city for March 2016 was \$14,394.37, which is lower by 28.86 percent from the March 2015 payment of \$20,235.71.

Texas Comptroller Glenn Hegar announced today he will send cities, counties, transit systems and special purpose taxing districts \$585.6 million in local sales tax allocations for March, 0.7 percent less than in March 2015. These allocations are based on sales made in January by businesses that report tax monthly.

"Energy-centric cities, such as Odessa, Midland, Corpus Christi and Houston, continued to see decreases in sales tax allocations," Hegar said. "Other areas of the state helped to somewhat offset those losses, as cities such as Austin and Dallas saw moderate increases in allocations."

Hegar sent Texas cities \$381.2 million in March 2016, which is lower by 0.10 percent compared to March 2015 and lower by 0.1 percent year-to-date.

He reported \$35.4 million in March 2016 allocations to Texas counties, which is lower by 8.1 percent compared to March 2015 and lower by 7.1 percent year-to-date.

The Texas transit systems received \$134.0 million in March 2016 sales tax allocations, which is 0.30 percent lower than March 2015 and down 0.30 percent year-to-date.

Special Purpose Taxing Districts received \$35.0 million in March 2016 allocations, which is 2.4 percent lower than March 2015 and lower by 1.5 percent year-to-date.

The sales tax figures represent monthly sales made in January by businesses that report tax monthly.

For details of March sales tax allocations to individual cities, counties, transit systems and special purpose districts, locate the Monthly Sales Tax Allocation

CROSS PLAINS SALES TAX PAYMENTS		
	2015	2016
Total yearly sales tax payments	\$59,520.33	\$51,021.22
Total monthly sales tax payments	\$20,235.71	\$14,394.37

Comparison Summary Reports on the Comptroller's Web site at <http://comptroller.texas.gov/taxinfo/allocsum/compsum.html>.

Other Callahan County towns reporting sales tax payments for this month include:

—The City of Baird reported that sales tax payments in 2016 started the year 31.00 percent higher than the 2016 payments. The city has received \$67,242.41 in 2016, while the 2015 tax payments to the city totaled \$51,329.75.

Baird's monthly payment for March 2016 was \$20,419.33, which is 58.68 percent ahead of the payment in March 2015 of \$12,865.78.

—The 2016 sales tax payments in the City of Clyde are 7.53 percent higher than the payments made to the city in 2015. The sales tax rebates for the City of Clyde have amounted to \$175,548.26 in 2016. The 2015 payments to the city during the same payment period were \$163,245.04.

The City of Clyde's monthly payment for March 2016 was \$50,408.72, which is 10.11 percent ahead of the March 2015 payment of \$45,777.95.

—The City of Putnam reported the 2016 payments to the town totaled \$2,139.66, which is lower by 32.41 percent from the 2015 payments to the city in the amount of \$3,165.91.

Putnam's tax payment for the month of March 2016 was \$751.98, which is 21.51 percent lower than the March 2015 payment of \$958.14.

—Countywide, sales tax payments for 2016 in Callahan County are higher by 6.74 percent compared to the 2015 payments in the county. Callahan County towns received sales tax payments in 2016 amounting to \$295,951.55 while the 2015 payments to the county towns

totalled \$277,261.03.

The tax rebates in Callahan County for the month of March 2016 was \$85,974.40, which is 7.68 percent ahead of the payments in March 2015 of \$79,839.38.

Merchants collect the state and local sales tax and send it to the Comptroller's office with their tax returns. The state keeps its 6 1/4% share and returns the local one percent sales tax each month to the local governments. Cities and counties may levy a combined tax of up to two percent above the state's sales tax.


Clyde businesses collect 2.00%, including one percent for the City of Clyde, one-half of one percent for the Clyde Economic Development Corporation and one half of one percent to reduce property taxes (Proceeds to benefit the Clyde Volunteer Fire Department).

Cross Plains collects 2.00% in local sales taxes, of which 1.00 percent is allocated to the city and 1.00% is allocated for economic development in the town.

Baird collects 2.00% in local sales tax of which 1.00% is allocated to the city, 0.50% is allocated to the community's economic development corporation and 0.50% of one percent to reduce property taxes.

Putnam collects 1.00% in local sales tax of which all 1.00 percent is allocated to the city.

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



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More Applications filed for Cross Plains Board of Trustees

Carlile Albrecht and Porcius Potter have filed applications for the Cross Plains I.S.D. School Board of Trustees.

John McWilliams, Roy Richey and Cheryl Ptacek have also submitted an application.

Three Openings on Cross Plains Board

Cross Plains ISD will have three openings on its Board when the voters go to the polls this May 7, 2016. Incumbents John Fred McWilliams and Roy Richey have already signed back up for the election.



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Callahan County 4-H Shooting Sports to host 9th Annual Charlie Greenway Silhouette match this Saturday

The Callahan County 4-H Shooting Sports will host their ninth annual Charlie Greenway Silhouette match on Saturday, March 19th at the 4-H Shooting Sports Range between Clyde and Baird.

There are approximately eighty 4-H competitors from around the state who are signed up to shoot pistol and rifle events.

Competitors from as far away as Kent County, Travis County, Ector County and even the Metroplex; and as close as Taylor, Shackelford, Brown, Coleman, Jones and Runnels counties will come to Callahan County this weekend to compete in the Silhouette Match.

The Silhouette Match is named in honor of longtime coach and 4-H leader in Callahan County, Charlie Greenway of Baird.

Coach Greenway is recognized

as an expert black powder and pistol competitor himself, and Callahan County youth competitors are lucky to have him as a coach.

If you have never been to the Callahan County 4-H Shooting Range, we invite you to visit our facilities.

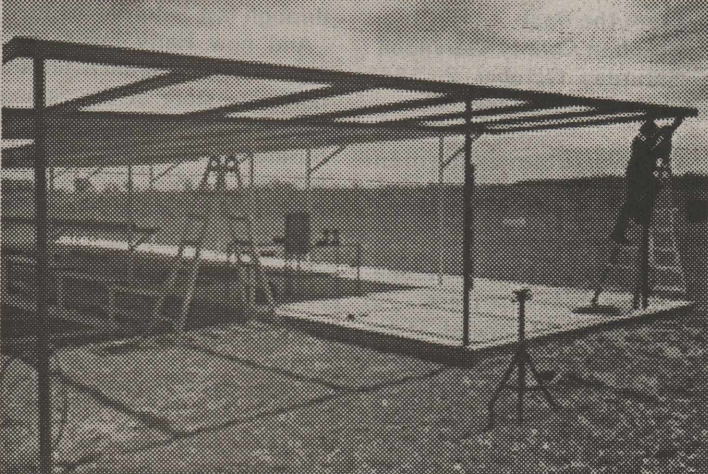
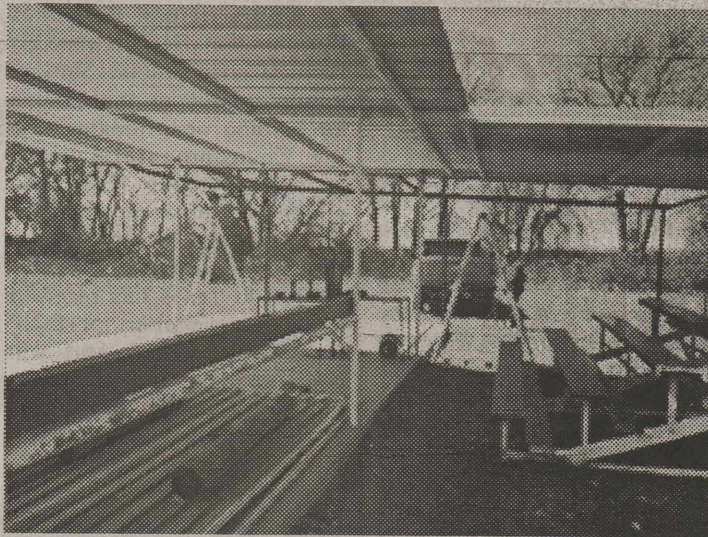
The 4-H Shooting Range is located about midway between Clyde and Baird on FM 18 (watch for the signs).

We have worked on our range continuously, and it is one of the best 4-H ranges in the state of Texas.

Please come out and support the local Shooting Sports Program. There is always a large concession available, restrooms and PLENTY OF PARKING!!

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Jackie Collins, Featured Musician

Cottonwood Country Musical March 25

The Cottonwood Country Musical will be at the Cottonwood Community Center on Friday night, March 25, 2016.

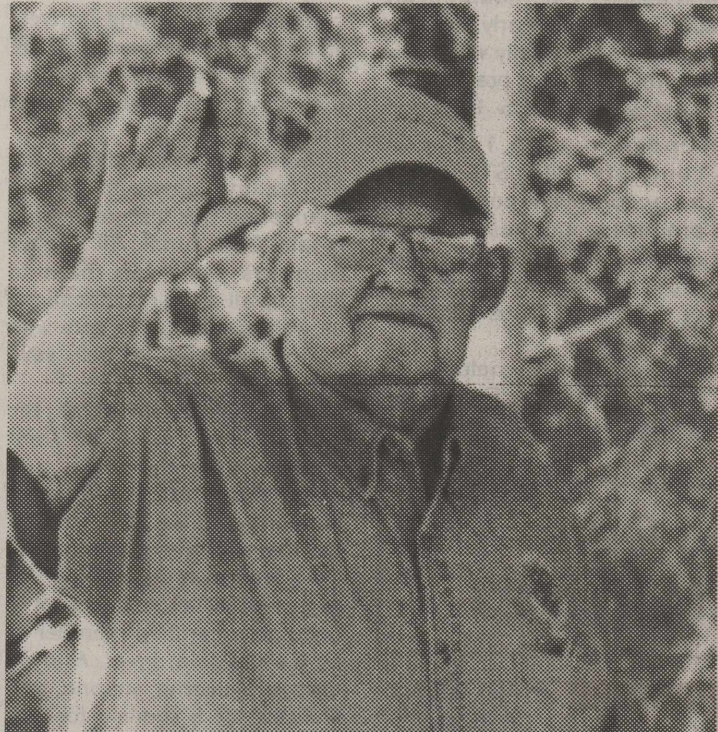
The featured musician this month is Jackie Collins of Pioneer, Texas. Jackie is a talented lady. Besides having a beautiful voice, she plays the guitar, mandolin and harmonica. Jackie has performed at the Cottonwood Country Musicals for many years.

The Cottonwood Volunteer Fire Control Group will be holding their fundraiser Fish

Fry along with the musical. The meal will be served from 5 p.m. until 7 p.m. A dinner plate of fish and/or chicken, coleslaw, beans, French fries, and hushpuppies with dessert and coffee or tea will be served. The cost of the meal is \$8.00 for an adult plate and \$3.50 for a child's plate for children under 10 years of age.

Come enjoy hearing the musicians play and sing favorite country tunes and enjoy a delicious meal as well.

For any additional information, call Cookie Robinson at 325-660-5771.



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Commissioners accept bids on two surplus Mack dump trucks

Callahan County Commissioners opened and approved two bids to sell surplus county equipment during the commissioners' court meeting held Monday, March 14th at the County Courthouse in Baird.

Bids were opened for two Mack 1989 dump trucks to be sold by Commissioner's Precinct #3.

The bids were as follows: Marty Smith Pipeline Construction, VIN #9387 \$10,500.00.

Carl Burleson: VIN #2191 \$15,250.00; and VIN # 9387 \$15,250.00.

Beck's Truck & Equipment: VIN #2191 \$7,300.00; and VIN #9387 \$7,300.00.

Commissioner Tom Windham made a motion to accept the bids of Carl Burleson for both dump trucks. Commissioner Harold Hicks seconded the motion, and the motion was approved with a 4-0 vote.

Other agenda items brought before the commissioners' court included:

—The Meeting of the Commissioners' Court was called to order at 9:30 a.m. with the following officers present: Roger Corn, Judge Presiding; Harold Hicks, Commissioner

Precinct No. 1, Tom Windham, Commissioner Precinct No. 3, Cliff Kirkham, Commissioner Precinct No. 4, Jan Windham, County Treasurer, and Donna Bell, County Clerk.

—The minutes from the previous commissioners' court meetings were reviewed and signed.

—Under public comment, Jane Holmes spoke to the commissioners' court about considering enforcing animal control. She talked about the problem of people dumping cats and dogs. No action was taken on this matter.

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

—Tommy Morris and Nancy Johnson with Tommy Morris Insurance Agency spoke to the commissioners' court about the rising cost of health insurance. No action was taken.

—Commissioner Windham made a motion to allow Judge Corn to make small decisions on the Courthouse Restoration and repairs without calling a commissioners' court meeting. Commissioner Windham seconded the motion, and the motion was approved with a 4-0 vote.

—Commissioner Windham made a motion to acknowledge to the notice that Windstream will construct a communication line within the right-of-way of a County Road in Callahan County. The communication line will run through Precinct #3. Commissioner Hicks seconded the motion. The motion carried with a 4-0 vote.

—Commissioner Hicks made a motion to hold a Sheriff's Sale on April 15, 2016 to sell surplus County property. The sale will start at 10:00 a.m. Commissioner Windham seconded the motion and the motion carried with a 4-0 vote.

—Commissioner Kirkham made a motion to pay the approved bills. Commissioner Windham seconded the motion and the motion carried with a 4-0 vote.

—Commissioner Windham made a motion to adjourn the commissioners' court meeting at 10:38 a.m. Commissioner Kirkham seconded the motion and the motion carried with an unanimous 4-0 vote.

Commissioners hold brief meeting on Courthouse restoration

Callahan County Commissioners held a brief commissioners' court meeting on Thursday, March 10th at the County Courthouse in Baird to revise the date for submittal of bids for the Callahan County Courthouse window restoration and electrical system repair.

Commissioner Cliff Kirkham made the motion to set the bid date for March 28th to allow bidders more time. The bids must be in the Judge's office by 9:00 a.m. on the morning

of March 28th. Commissioner Windham seconded the motion and the motion carried with a 5-0 vote.

Other agenda items brought before the commissioners' court included:

—The Meeting of the Commissioners' Court was called to order at 1:00 p.m. with the following officers present: Roger Corn, Judge Presiding; Harold Hicks, Commissioner Precinct No. 1; Bryan Farmer, Commissioner Precinct No. 2;

Tom Windham, Commissioner Precinct No. 3; Cliff Kirkham, Commissioner Precinct No. 4; Jan Windham, County Treasurer, and Donna Bell, County Clerk.

—Commissioner Windham made motion to adjourn the commissioners' court meeting at 1:32 p.m. Commissioner Farmer seconded the motion, which carried with an unanimous 5-0 vote.

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Tickets are available at local businesses

Woman's Club annual Fish Fry is this Saturday

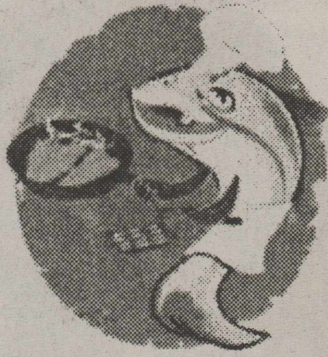
The Clyde Woman's Club tenth annual Fish Fry will be held on Saturday, March 19th at the Clyde Woman's Club Building located on South First and Rusk Streets in Clyde.

This year's fish fry will be held from 11:00 a.m. until 7:00 p.m. Advance ticket prices are \$10.00 for adults and \$4.00 for children 3-12 years of age. Ticket prices at the door the day of the fish fry are \$10.00 for adults and \$4.00 for children 4-12 years of age.

This year's fish fry will include the usual menu items, including all-you-can eat fish, pinto beans, french fries, hush puppies and homemade coleslaw. Water and sweet or unsweetened tea will also be served. The sweet and unsweet tea is being donated by Chicken Express in Clyde. Subway restaurant will also be providing Subway cookies with the meal.

The Men of Clyde organization will be cooking the fish this year for the fundraiser.

Those attending may dine in



the day of the event or takeout orders will also be available.

Tickets for this year's fish fry are available at First Financial Bank-Clyde, First Bank Texas-Baird/Clyde, the Clyde Journal, Clyde Chamber of Commerce, Don A. Boles Germania Insurance or from any Clyde Woman's Club member.

The Clyde Woman's Club will again provide meals to both nursing homes in Clyde and Baird, courtesy of First Financial-Bank, First Bank Texas-Baird/Clyde and Bai-

ley-Howard Funeral Home.

Proceeds from this year's fish fry will go toward the upkeep of the Clyde Woman's Club building.

The Clyde Woman's Club Fish Fry Committee is made up of the Executive Board of the Woman's Club, the Board of Directors and the Building Maintenance Committee.

The annual fish fry is one of only two fund-raising projects held annually by the Woman's Club. The other fund-raiser is the annual Tour of Homes every December, and proceeds from that fund-raiser go toward two \$1,000 college scholarships presented to two Clyde High School senior girls.

Many area businesses and individuals help to keep the fish fry costs down thanks to their generous donations and they wish to give out a special "thank you" to those businesses and individuals.

Callahan County Library news

From the Past
Callahan County Clarendon Saturday October 7, 1882 Vol. 3, No 27

Considerable excitement prevails at Mineral Wells, Palo Pinto county, owing to the discovery of a very rich silver mine—being discovered one-half mile from that place. An assay from the United States assayer of the New Orleans mint gives seven ounces per ton, and another assay from Organ New Mexico gives six ounces to the ton. Mr. E. Littlefield, a capitalist and miner of New Mexico, offers \$40,000 for the mine, but the owner refused the offer.

Over the State
Wichita Falls has a new paper, the Herald.

Colorado has a hook and ladder company.

The public graded school at Comanche has 150 pupils.

One of the letter carriers of San Antonio has been detected in robbing registered letters, and lies in jail to await action of the Federal grand jury.

R. G. Stitt, of California, has purchased 19,000 acres of land in Rannels county and will stock it with 3590 sheep, which he will bring from California

Local News
The weather for the last week has been more or less cloudy with an occasional sprinkle of rain.

The Dublin Gazette says that 1,046 head of fine sheep were driven through that town a short time ago. They were for Callahan county.

J. D. Merchant bought a herd of 189 head of beeves from Frank Taylor of Coleman, last Thursday. Paying there for \$27 per head. If we had a few more live men like John here our market would drive St. Louis to the wall.

Messrs. J. D. ad Harry Merchant have now become the sole proprietors of the Parlor Saloon, they having bought both Shaw & Stevens out. The success of the house is insured, for there is no such thing as fail in the vocabulary of this management.

Our school is still on the boom. Mr. Ed Seay has been receiving and opening a large lot of goods this week.

Capt. W. J. Maltby has again placed us under obligation to him for a fine lot of tomatoes.

We are pleased to note that Miss Lizzie Gun has recovered from her prolonged illness and she is able to sit up a very little.

Two very pretty street cars arrived here on the train from the east last Saturday. They are for El Paso and will be put on her new street car line.

Mr. C. O. Morris, of Mexico, Mo., arrived this week with 1275 head of fine Merino ewes. This is the second lot he has brought into the county.

Lieut. Nordstrom with four military convicts and a guard, en route from Fort Davis to the military prison at Fort Leavenworth, Kansas, passed

Applications for Conservation Programs being accepted at the Callahan Co. NRCS Office

Baird, Texas, March 1, 2016, — USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) District Conservationist Sammy Wilson announces applications for funding opportunities with the Environmental Quality Incentives Program (EQIP) are currently being accepted at the NRCS offices located at the NRCS office in Baird.

NRCS in Texas has received its initial allocation of EQIP funding for 2016 and will begin ranking and obligating contracts after March 18, 2016. All agriculture producers interested in submitting a contract application for 2016 should do so before this ranking deadline.

EQIP — one of the largest programs in the Farm Bill — is a voluntary conservation program that promotes environmental quality and assists producers to meet local, state and federal regulations. "EQIP is a valuable tool to help Callahan County's agricultural producers implement conservation practices that provide environmental benefits

to help sustain agricultural operations," says Sammy Wilson. EQIP is a continuous sign-up program that allows landowners or operators to apply for financial and technical assistance for the application of specific conservation practices; but the deadline for the first 2016 funding allocation is March 18, 2016. Contracts are offered periodically depending on budgetary allocations. Applications made after the deadline will be considered in the next funding cycle. Higher priority will be given to those applications that address national, state and local priorities and provide higher cost efficiency.

EQIP offers technical and financial help to install or implement structural, vegetative, and management practices that can benefit the soil, water, air, plants, livestock, and wildlife. Each county in the state is funded yearly to assist producers financially with these land management practices. Last year, NRCS in Texas funded over 3,141 EQIP contracts with \$72 million to accomplish conservation practices such as irrigation efficiency, minimum tillage, brush management and more on 1.8 million acres across the entire state.

In addition to helping our environment, Farm Bill conservation program funds

support rural communities. In Texas, it is estimated that each dollar of NRCS and private matching expenditures on NRCS conservation programs generates an additional \$2.54 in sales of goods and services locally.

For more information, including eligibility requirements, call the USDA Service Center office in Baird at (325) 854-1349. Service center locations and program information can be found on the Texas NRCS Web site at www.tx.nrcs.usda.gov.

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Help in a Heartbeat
The Cross Plains EMS had a very busy 2015! There are 13 certified members and 7 driver/lift assist members and 5 of the uncertified members are well on their way to becoming certified members.

There were 168 Medical runs, 70 Trauma runs and 51 No Transports this last year. This totals 289 runs! All of our members work very hard to keep up all of their certifications as well as stay up to date with the newest ways to help save lives.

We would like to thank the community for all of their support over the years and hope that you continue to support us as we grow to meet the needs of the growing area.

We are always looking for more help, whether you want to become a certified member or be trained as a driver. And we always welcome anyone who wants to be a sponsor for new students. If you are interested in helping the Cross Plains EMS in any way please contact Susan Schaefer at (254)725-6747.

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Senior Citizens Center Activities

March 21st-25th

Monday-21st Crafts with Chris 10:30/Exercise 11:00/Bingo with Betty 11:15 Western Hills Health

Tuesday-22nd Exercise 11:00

Wednesday-23rd Easter Egg Hunt (Wear Easter Bonnet)/Blood Pressure Check Girling Home Health

Thursday-24th Exercise 11:00

Friday -25th Center Closed (Good Friday)

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

March 21st-25th

Monday 21st-Salisbury Steak, Potatoes, Black-Eye Peas, Cornbread, Dessert

Thursday 24th - Vegetable Beef Soup, Fruit Cup, Cornbread, Cookie

Tuesday 22nd- Pinto Beans and Sausage, Macaroni and Cheese, Onion Slices, Cornbread, Dessert

Friday 25th- Center Closed (Good Friday)

Wednesday 23rd- Easter Meal, Chicken Dressing, Sweet Potatoes, Green Beans, Bread, Dessert

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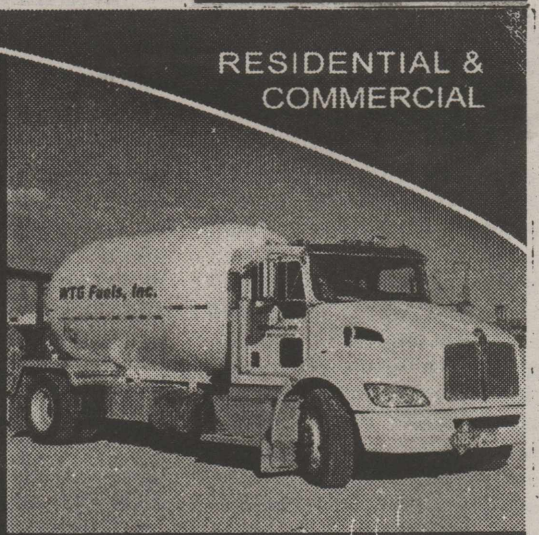
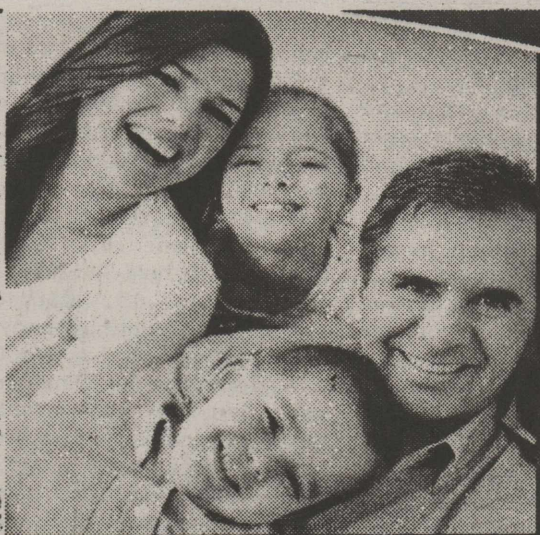
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