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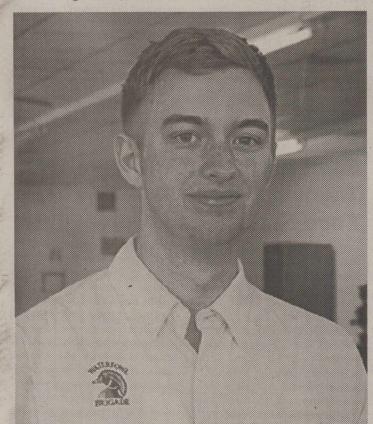


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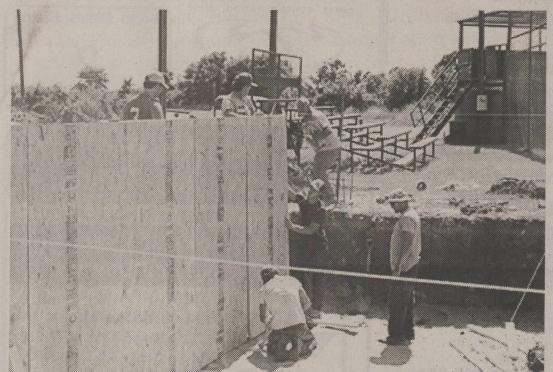
# Chief of Police Don **Gosnell Retires after** 50 years of service

The City of Cross Plains would Department of Public Safety like to invite the public to a reception honoring Don Gosnell on his retirement from the City on August 15, 2017 from 1:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. Gosnell has spent 19 years with the Cross Plains Police Department as Chief of Police. He joined the City on October 1, 1998 after retiring from the Texas

after 31 years of service as a Senior Trooper. Gosnell will be retiring from law enforcement on the same day he entered fifty years ago. Forty-Five of those years have been spent serving the citizens of Cross Plains. We invite you to come by and extend your best wishes.



Jack Larimore, Senior at Cross Plains High School and a member of the Texas Brigade, will present at program at the Senior Center on Friday on the Wildlife Brigade.



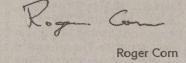
New Dugouts On the Way -- New dugouts are being built at the boys baseball field. High school boys and coaches are lending a hand to get the job done.

# Roger Corn will not file Book To Movie Teen for re-election as **County Judge**

opportunity to thank each and every one of you for the privilege of serving as your County Judge for the past 20 years. It has been a challenge at times, but with your inputs and support we have persevered. So it is with a heavy heart and a hopeful heart that I would like to announce that I will not seek reelection at the end of my current term. I know this will

To the citizens of Callahan disappoint some people and not so much some others! So goes I would like to take this politics! As you choose your next County Judge I know that you will do what is best for the people of this great county!

> Sincerely, The Honorable Judge



# **High School** Registration and Pickup Schedule

Rep. Conway to

hold Town Hall

WASHINGTON, D.C. - U.S. Conaway

Summer is coming to a close 17 at 7:00 PM and it is almost time to start school for the 2017-2018 school year. Registration and schedule pickup for Cross Plains High School/Junior High will be the week of August 14. Parents and students will complete registration paperwork, pick up their schedules, and get their locker numbers at this time. Seniors - Monday, August 14

at 6:00 PM Juniors - Monday, August 14 at 7:00 PM

Sophomores - Tuesday, August 15 at 6:00 PM Freshman - Tuesday, August

15 at 7:00 PM 8th Grade - Thursday, August

17 at 6:00 PM 7th Grade - Thursday

Representative K. Michael

Conaway (R-Texas) will hold a

town hall meeting in the District

Court Room inside Callahan

County Courthouse, Baird,

9:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m. on

The town hall is open to the

public and members of the

WHAT: Town Hall Meeting

WHO: U.S. Rep. Mike

Wednesday, August 2, 2017.

If you can not attend at the

time indicated, you may pickup your paperwork and schedule after your scheduled time in the school office. New students are encouraged

to contact the school as soon as possible so we can begin your new student registration process. You are also encouraged to attend the registration days listed above for your grade. You may contact the school at 254-725-

We look forward to a great year with our students, parents, and community at Cross Plains High School!

WHEN: 9:00a.m.-10:00a.m.,

WHERE: Callahan County

Communications Director

Congressman K. Michael

Washington, D.C. 20515

(202) 225-3605

2430 Rayburn House Office

Emily Hytha

Conaway

Building

Courthouse- 100 W. 4th Street,

August 2, 2017

Baird, TX 79504

# School Gym.

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# Night: Ender's Game

Tuesday, August 8th is Book To Movie Teen Night at the Cross Plains Public Library. We will be showing Ender's Game. An action packed space adventure filled with stunning visual effects.

"As fears of an alien invasion grow, Earth's International Fleet recruits an unlikely leader ---a young and brilliant boy ---- to command its forces and

fight for the future of the human

This movie is based on a worldwide bestseller by Orson Scott Card. Books will be available at library the night of the movie. Pizza and drinks will be provided as well. So grab your friends, call or drop by the library and get on the list limited seating. Hope to see you there.

#### **NEW HOURS FOR LIBRARY BOOK SALE ON AUGUST 5TH!**

Spend some time browsing through the Cross Plains Public Library Book Sale, Saturday, August 5th, across from Lawrence Farm & Ranch on Highway 36. Due to the excessive heat, we are now open between 10:00a.m. -12:00p.m. Our suggested donation is \$1/bag. Where else can you get so much for only \$1? And those dollars add up to extra revenue for the library to help with our operating

Looking for something specific? We will do our best to accommodate you. We have fiction, non-fiction, romance, adventure, teen and children's titles and lots more. There are paperbacks, hardcovers, books on CD, and DVD movies. We have boxes of Reader's Digest Condensed Books, boxes of Harlequin SuperRomances, and 'Chicken Soup for ANY Soul' just waiting for a new home!! Stop in and visit!

#### Cross Plains Football Twoa-Days Start August 7th

All boys entering grades 9-12 who are playing football in the upcoming school year need to report at 7:00 a.m. at the High



Starts on

Tuesday.

receive faxes, 116 E. South 1st

## **Cross Plains Elementary Registration Date and Times** for the 2017-2018 School Year

It is almost time for Cross remember it is mandatory that Plains Elementary Registration for the 2017-2018 school year. Everyone (new or returning) must register! You will need to make arrangements to come by the Elementary school any of the three days at the best time for you. If you are unable to attend during these days, please contact the Elementary office at 254-725-6123.

Registration Dates and Times Tuesday, August 8th, Wednesday, August 9th, Thursday, August 10th

8:30 - 11:00 a.m. and 1 - 3

At that time, all required documents will be completed for your child's enrollment. Please make sure all of their immunizations are current and that we have a current copy for our records in the office.

If you are enrolling as a new student or if you participated in the Pre-K and Kindergarten Roundup in the spring please we have a copy of your child' birth certificate, social security card and immunizations before they can start school.

You may leave medication in the school office for your child to take during the year. It mus be in the original box or bottle with their name on it. You wi also have to fill out a medica

If you ordered a PTO school supply packet they will be available for pick up during registration. We do have a few extras of each grade, just asl about them when you come in to register.

The Tax Ratification Election early voting will begin or Wednesday, August 9th 8am - 4pm in the Superintendent's office. Don' forget to bring your driver' license or voter registration

We are looking forward to great 2017-2018 school year.

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# CHURCH DIRECTORY

### **COTTONWOOD BAPTIST CHURCH**

Sunday School		9:45 AM
Morning Worship		11:00 AM
Ministry Activities		
Youth Meet at Pool Ho	6:30PM	
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	Gregg Steinle, Youth Pastor	
Friendly Church	Church (254) 725-6266	Bible Teaching

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**Music Director:** Barbara Jo Medley

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Pastor Max Evans

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Kevin Morton, Pastor

Office 254-725-7377

Parsonage 254-725-7694

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1000 North Main Street www.crossplainsfumc.org fumccrossplains@gmail.com

# First Baptist Church

**Sunday Morning** 10:45 a.m.

**Sunday Evening** 6:30 p.m.

**Sunday School** 9:30

Wednesday

6:30 pm Prayer/Worship Student & Children Ministries 6:30 p.m.

Kenneth Reiter, Pastor

(254) 725-7629 301 N. Main, Cross Plains, TX

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# **CROSS PLAINS** CHURCH OF CHRIST

**433 North Main Street** Cross Plains, Texas 76443 Minister: RICK AUSTIN **SUNDAY:** 

Morning Worship: 10:45 A.M. Bible Class: 9:45 A.M.

**Evening Worship: 6:00P.M.** Wednesday: Evening: 7:00P.M.

Ladies Class - Wednesday: 10:00A.M. (at the church activity

center on East Hwy 36) Office: (254-725-6117)

Cell Phone: Rick - (918) 348-6859



**Connie Pittman** 

#### Connie **Pittman**

Connie Pittman, age 79 of Brownwood, TX, passed away on Saturday, July 29, 2017 in Odessa, TX.

Funeral Service will be at 11:00 am Tuesday, August at Higginbotham Funeral Home Chapel in Cross Plains, TX. Burial will follow the service at Blake Cemetery in Brown County, TX.

Connie was born to late Marvin and Eva Collins-Gray on August 5, 1937 in Cross Plains, Texas. She married Darwin K. Pittman on October 14, 1954 in Lovington, NM. The celebrated 49 years of marriage before his passing on June 22, 2004. Among many loves of her life besides her little dog, Connie loved to fish and loved to watch the San Antonio Spurs play basketball and also the Dallas Cowboys play football!

Connie is survived by sons, Kent Pittman and wife, Martine of May, TX; Dwain Pittman and wife, Dana of Aledo, TX; daughters, Janie Lowe and husband, Charlie of Monahans, TX; Connie Smithee and husband, Glenn of Odessa, TX; 13 grandchildren and 22 ½ great grandchildren.

Connie is dearly loved by all and will be sorely missed.



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# Death Notice

#### **Delores Sue** Landon-Painter

Delores Sue Landon-Painter, age 80 of Cross Plains, TX, passed away on Monday, July 31, 2017.

The Family will be having a private memorial service at a later date.

#### Love Fund

has been established at **Texas Heritage Bank** for Michelle (Shields) Parr to help with medical expenses p21

# Richard C. Ames Jr.

Richard C. Ames Jr. went to be with his Lord July 22, 2017. He was born on the family place between Putnam and

Richard's life was centered in Hamilton, 6 p.m. the production and use of the

He received his degree here, 6 p.m. in geology from Texas Technological College in School Starts Lubbock, Texas.

His work took him all over Texas, New Mexico, Oklahoma and many other places.

While working on an off-shore drilling company Richard met and married Mary Alice Jones. He returned to Cross Plains and many businesses closed. and worked with his father in, peanuts and other activities.

He opened a pipe shop at Pioneer, Texas where he worked until his illness forced him to leave.

He was proceeded in death by his wife, Mary Alice, a son, Jimmy Jones, two sisters, Mary Moore and Ester McDaniel, His parents, Richard and Ethel Ames and two nephews.

He is survived by a daughter, Theresa Henderson of Bay City. Texas, one brother Tom Ames, two sisters. Ethel Ames and Phyllis Harris all of Cross Plains Texas. He also is survived by six grandchildren, 10 great grandchildren and many nieces

and nephews. Richard is dearly loved and will be sorely, missed.

Services will be held at the Pioneer Cemetery at in Pioneer, Texas at 11:00 am, Saturday, August 5th.

## Cancer Walk Slated for Saturday, October 7th

The Cross Plains Community Cancer Walk is scheduled for Saturday, October 7th on the Cross Plains ISD Football Field.

The event brings together churches, organizations and community members united to raise money for the local Cancer Fund, which is used for transportation expenses for cancer patients.

# Food for **Fines**

The Library is offering Food for Fines. We are currently trying to get the accounts up to date and overdue books returned.

If you receive a letter that you have an over due book or fine, please bring your letter to the front desk and we can take your payment or bring in a non perishable food item for every dollar amount owed.

If the book is lost, please bring in your letter and either payment for the book or food items to cover the cost.

The book will then be withdrawn from circulation. The food items will be taken to the Food Pantry here in Cross Plains and will help those in

Pastor: Wayne Lenz Music: Karen Lenz & Diane Woods

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

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# **Cross Plains Community Calendar**

~~ August ~~

August 2 - Wednesday, Cross Plains Library Summer Reading Program, Splash in the Park, 1:30 p.m.

August 18 - Friday, First Raised in the oil fields Football Scrimmage, at

August 25 - Friday, Buffaloes Scrimmage vs. Irion County,

August 29 - Tuesday CPISD ~~ September ~~

September 1 - Friday, First

Football Game, Buffaloes at Menard, 7:30 p.m. September 4 - Monday, Labor Day. Schools out. City, county, federal offices, banks

~~ October ~~

October 7 - Saturday, Cross Plains Community Cancer Walk, Cross Plains ISD Football

October 9 - Monday, Columbus Day. School's out.

Community Wide Garage Sale, sponsored by the Cross Plains Chamber of Commerce.

October 31 - Tuesday, Halloween

#### ~~ November ~~

November 4 - Saturday. Hunter's Feed put on by the Cross Plains Chamber of Commerce, Senior Citizens Center Parking Lot, 11 a.m. November 11 - Saturday, Veteran's Day.

November 11 - Saturday, Lord's Acre, First United Methodist Church.

November 22-24 - Thanksgiving holidays. School's out.

November 23 - Thanksgiving.

#### ~~ December ~~

December 7 - Thursday, Santa Claus Comes to Town & Christmas Parade, Kiwanis and Cross Plains Chamber of Commerce.

# **Callahan County Library news**

Some books donated to the library are: <u>I Would Rather</u> Sleep in Texas by Mary M. Amberson, The Silk Road by Peter Frankopan, Roads to Quoz by William Heat-Moon, and Shoot Like a Girl by Mary J. Hegar.

From the Past Callahan County Clarendon Saturday August 19, 1882 Vol. III, No. 20

Local News

A wash out on the railroad near Abilene yesterday delayed the trains.

Don't forget the meeting to be held at the school house next Tuesday night.

One more barber has flown from Baird and his place is now occupied by a gentleman of color. The battle of the gladiators

took place at the barber shop last Saturday night. We understand that both contestants came off victorious. Maj. Perry bought two busi-

ness lots in Big Springs last week, and will soon begin the erection of a large two-story business house there. Messrs. Seay & Heyn are erecting a large store building

at Big Springs, which they will soon stock with goods. Public spirit will win, and we trust they will make a fortune in the enterprise.

Messrs. Wilson, Dunman & Davidson have driven five herds of beeves to Hunnewell, Kansas. They had sold them but the trade fell through and they will now winter them. They have 13,000 head which

they will take to the Cherokee nation to range

Our school trustees are corresponding with Prof. Chatfield, a brother of Prof. F. W. Chatfield of Belle Plain, with a view of securing his services as a teacher for our school. The Professor is highly recommended as a first-class teacher, and if he comes he will become a citizen among us. He

comed to Baird by our citizens. Judge B. R. Webb & Bro. are moving their office back into the Judge's own building, next door to the Clarendon office.

has a family, who will be wel-

Page's saloon has been closed and the building sold to Messrs. Seay & Reeves, who intend moving it to their lot now occupied by the Parlor

A wreck of a freight train occurred at Eastland one day this week. Several cars got badly off their base, but fortunately no one was hurt.

The City Hotel furniture was sold at public auction last Saturday. Mr. E. Sigal of the Sigal House was the purchaser, and \$431 was the amount paid.

Mr. George E. Johnson informs us that he will move his large two-story building onto Market street, upon one of his lots between G. P. Johnson's store and the Monarch saloon.

We tried to write a weather item this week, but made a complete failure; however, to sum it up, it was either wet or dry all the week, and the change came on so suddenly that it was impossible to keep a record of them.

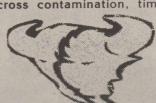
#### **Food Protection Management Training Course Available to Food Service Establishments**

A two-day Food Protection Management training for food service managers in the Big Country area will be held Aug. 21 and Aug. 22, 2017. It will be held at the Taylor County Extension Office located on the Taylor County Expo grounds in Abilene from 8:15 a.m. - 5:00

p.m. both days. The training will allow food establishments to meet their certification requirements if they pass the exam. The exam being used is the Prometric exam. The class covers twelve food safety concepts related to personal hygiene, cross contamination, time

pest management, foodborne illness and related areas. The course is sponsored by Texas A&M AgriLife Extension in Taylor, Jones and Haskell Counties.

Cost for the class is \$125, which includes the course book and exam. Registration deadline is Monday, Aug. 7. Registration information is available by calling the Taylor County Extension Office at 325-672-6048. You may also access a downloadable registration form at http:// taylor.agrilife.org.



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# Ryan Carey Competed at the **AJPHA World Show in Fort Worth**

Ryan Carey traveled to Fort Worth the last week in June to compete in the American Junior Paint Horse Association World Show. Ryan and his yearling gelding, TNR Divine Intensions, returned home as Reserve World Champions in the Solid Paint Bred All Age Gelding Class. The Sorrel Gelding was sired by Three Nails Ranch's APHA Stud "Intensions" our of a "Kid Coolsified" mare names "A Blessing". Entries ranged from yearlings to six year old geldings from across the country. Ryan's prizes included a Scholarship for college, a custom Gist Championship Buckle, rosette neck banner, championship show jacket and a gift certificate for APHA merchandise. This gelding will travel to the AQHYA World Show in Oklahoma City in August, paired up with Andrew Carey. Ryan will be showing a three year old mare, HR Laced in Secrets.



Cross Plains Volunteer Fire Department Rural Chief J. D. Huddleston, Fire Chief Rickey Carouth, Truck Captain Josh Loftis and Assistant Chief Bryon McNutt with the \$5600 check from Comanche County Electric Coop. The check, presented to them on Monday, will go toward building a helipad at the fire station where the AirEvac helicopters can safely land and take off.

# **CPVFD Receives Check from Comanche County Cooperative to Build Helicopter Landing Helipad**



Showing were the helipad with be constructed on the northwest side of the building.



# **Political** Calendar

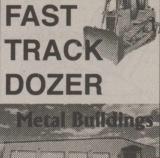
The Cross Plains Review is authorized to publish the following political announcements for the office filings in the Republican Primary Election set for Tuesday, March

#### For Callahan **County Judge**

Gerry Scott Kniffen

Political advertisement paid for by Gerry Scott Kniffen, 4322 FM 604 South, Clyde, Texas 79510, Joanne Kniffen, Treasurer.

All political calendar advertising for the Tuesday, March 6, 2018 Republican Primary Election is payable in advance, at a cost of \$125.00. A free press release and photograph will be published one time with each announce-



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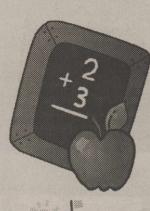
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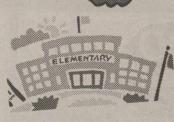
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#### Pre-K

- 2- Cravola Cravons 16ct 1 - Crayola Wash Thick
- **Classic Markers 8ct** 1 - Crayola Wash Watercolors 8 colors
- 1 5oz. Can of Playdoh
- 1 Elmer's Small .21oz **Colored Washable Glue** Stick
- 1 Purple Plastic Pocket Folder
- 1- Spiral Wide Rule
- 8.5X10.5 Notebook 70ct
- 2 Kleenex Tissue 100ct 1 - Disinfecting Wipes
- 1 Baby Wipes





3rd Grade

**Markers 8ct** 

1 - Crayola 4"

Pencils 12ct

.32oz

Glue

1 - Crayola Bold Thick

**Presharpened Colored** 

1 - Colorations Purple

**Small Wash Glue Sticks** 

1 - 4oz. Elmer's School

2 - Sharpie Accent Pen

**Dry Erase Markers** 

Style Highlighter Fl. Yellow

1 - 4pk Color Expo Fine Tip

#### Kindergarten

- 1 Crayola Crayons 24ct 1 - Crayola Wash **Watercolors 8 colors**
- 1 Crayola Small Crayons 1 - Crayola Classic Thick
- Markers 10ct 1 - Crayola Wash Fine Tip
- **Classic Markers 8ct** 1 - Green Fine Tip White
- **Board Marker** 4 - No. 2 Wood Pencil (Latex Free)
- 2 Pink Bevel Erasers (Latex Free)
- 1 Fiskars 5" Blunt Scissors 2 - 4oz. Elmer's School
- 1 Plastic School Box

**Large Size** 

- 1 Nylon Pencil Bag, Clear Top 7.25x10.25
- 1 9x12 Manila Paper 50ct 2 - Red Plastic Pocket &
- **Brad Folders** 1 - Purple Pocket Only
- Folder 2 - Kleenex Tissue 100ct
- 1 Disinfecting Wipes
- 1 Baby Wipes

4th Grade

Top, 7.25"x10.25

**Only Folder** 

24 - No. 2 Wood Pencil

(Latex Free) 24 - Pencil

Cap Erasers (Latex Free) 2

- Pink Bevel Eraser (Latex

1 - Nylon Pencil Bag, Clear

2 - 200ct Wide Rule Filler

Paper 1 - Yellow Pocket

1 - 1" White Hardback

Vinyl Binder 1 - Red

**Pocket Only Folders** 

1 - 100ct Black Marble

#### 1st Grade

- 2 Crayola Crayons 24 ct 1 - Crayola Wash **Watercolors 8 colors** 2- Crayola Classic Wedge
- **Tip Markers 8ct** 1 - 4oz. Elmer's School
- 24 No. 2 Wood Pencil (Latex Free) 24 - Pencil Cap Erasers (Latex Free)
- 2 Plastic School Box 8.5"x5.75"x2.5" 4 - Spiral Wide Rule Notebook 100ct 2 - Assorted Plastic Pocket with Brad Folders
- 2 Elmer's .77oz Purple **Washable Glue Stick**
- 2 Kleenex Tissue 100ct 1 - Disinfecting Wipes
- 1 Baby Wipes



#### 2nd Grade

- 2 Crayola Crayons 24ct 1 - Crayola Bold Thick Markers 8ct 24 - No. 2 **Dixon Ticonderoga Pencils**
- 4 Pink Bevel Eraser (Latex Free) 2 - 4oz. Elmer's School
- 1 Expo2 Low Odor Bullet **Tip Dry Erase Markers 4**
- 2 Nylon Pencil Bag, Clear Top 7.25x10.25 1 - Red Plastic Folder w/3
- holes 3 - Blue Plastic Folder w/3 holes
- 1 70ct Blue Spiral **Notebook Wide Rule** 1 - 70ct Red Spiral
- **Notebook Wide Rule** 1 - 100ct Blue Marble **Comp Book Wide Rule** 1 - Blue Pocket and Brad Folder
- 2 Kleenex Tissue 100ct 1 - Disinfecting Wipes



#### 5th Grade

- 1 Crayola 4" **Presharpened Colored** Pencils 12ct 48 - No. 2 **Wood Pencil (Latex Free)** 1 - Pink Bevel Eraser
- (Latex Free) 4 - Colorations Purple **Small Wash Glue Sticks** .32oz 1 - Nylon Pencil Bag, Clear Top, 7.25"x10.25 3 - 200ct Wide Rule Filler
- Paper 1 - 1" White View Vinyl
- Binder 1 - Yellow Pocket Only Folder
- 1 Blue Pocket Only Folder
- 2 Black Pocket and Brad **Folders** 1 - Black Spiral Wide Rule
- Notebook 100ct 1 - 100ct Purple Marble
- Comp Book Wide Rule 1 - 100ct Black Marble **Comp Book Wide Rule** 2 - Kleenex Tissue 100ct

# 1 - Disintecting Wipes

# 6th Grade

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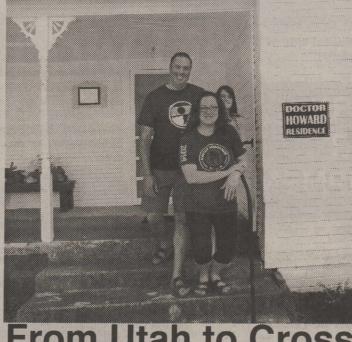
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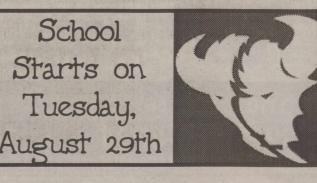
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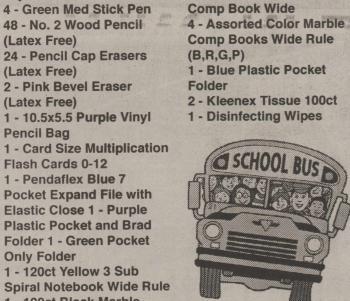


# **Plains to Austin**

Museum made for a great stopping point on their way back to Austin from a family reunion in the abandoned thirties. mining town of Price, Utah. Anton was the avid Howard fan who has read some of all a real estate appraisal. the various genres of stories

Wife Christine and young teenage daughter Lirazel enjoyed looking around the Museum that depicts life in the early Starkovich is a firefighter in





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Everywhere. This included then each child made a sign many signs from right here in with their name on it. We are Cross Plains. Food, Lodging, Business, Window signs, and Banners for all occasions were also involved with our kids. We used to show how we use signs thank Teri for her time spent

The Cross Plains Public She also spoke about how and Handicap signs. Or finding

Thenshegaveademonstration She started off her program as to how her machine cuts the with a slide show Signs vinyl to make her signs and so lucky to have Teri Brown involved in our community but with us on Wednesday.



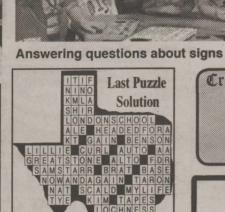




Decorating the signs they made.





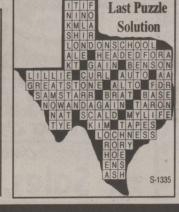


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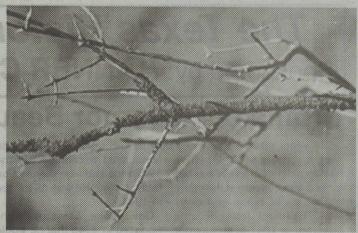
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#### **Desert Termite**

Say the name of certain types of animals around folks, and you will assuredly get a negative response. Say "rattlesnake" while near your deer blind, say "shark" while swimming in the ocean, or say "bees" while with a friend who is allergic to the insects and you are guaranteed to hear some carefully-selected adjectives. And say the word termite, and folks automatically think of "house-devouring invertebrate monsters". However, just as all sharks are not man-eaters, not all termites are out to consume human dwellings. One type of termite that is more interested in the dead outer bark of plants resides here in western Texas, and that type is the appropriately named Desert Termite.

Desert Termites can be found throughout the Chihuahuan Desert of western Texas, southern New Mexico, and southern Arizona. It is in this arid habitat that this species dwells primarily underground. In fact, it will spend the vast majority of its life at various depths under the

Desert Termites live in surprisingly large underground colonies (up to 39 million termites have been reported in one acre in the panhandle during a 3 year study) that have a highly structured system of hierarchy. This hierarchy consists of 3 classes of termite: 1. workers, 2. soldiers, and 3. royalty. Worker termites, the most copious of the three classes, are the individuals who construct and uphold the underground tunnels, as well as obtain food for the colony and rear the young. Soldier termites, as you might expect, protect the colony. If a predator breaches the walls of the underground lair, the soldiers will form a line to fend off the predator while the workers strive to quickly rebuild the wall. Soldier termites are willthat may be on the outside of the



**Desert Termite** 

... Gnathamitermes tubiformans

females are poised and ready another. to fulfill the role of the Queen if the Queen is injured or killed. The Desert Termite, like all other termite species, are quite small; adult workers are approximately 1/8 of an inch in total length; adult royalty members can approach 3/8 of an inch.

Termites are insects, and like others of this group, they have three body parts: the head, the thorax, and the abdomen. Each one of these body parts has a specific purpose, with the head being the area where the eyes, antennae, and feeding appendages are, the thorax is where the legs and wings are attached, and the abdomen is where the majority of the internal organs are housed. Also like others in the insect group, the skeletal structure is on the outside of their body. This structure is known as the exoskeleton. They have six legs, and some members of the colony (known as the alates) are utilized for flight.

rebuilt structure are left behind. Only the females of these col-The third class of termite is onies are surface-active, at least the royalty, and these are the until the seasonal rains come and ones that reproduce. The high- the royal members of the group est ranking reproductive are ascend to the surface to swarm. known as the King and Queen Their purpose of doing so is to of the colony. All reproductive leave that colony and go begin

> The best way to detect a colony's presence is by the dirt-encased tunnel, known as a carton, that can be observed attached to their food source. This carton is made up primarily of dirt laced with feces that is bonded together by saliva.

> Unlike their much beleaguered cousins, the subterranean termites, Desert Termites do not feed on the wood utilized to build houses or other structures. In fact, this species is known as being beneficial as it feeds on dead plant matter, particularly grasses, which in turn feeds the soil with valuable nutrients. Colonies of this species also considerably aerate the soil which in turn also adds to the welfare of the landscape.

> Given the fact that this species is one of the more beneficial of insects, consider allowing these native arthropods to improve the welfare of your yard in ways that only nature could design.

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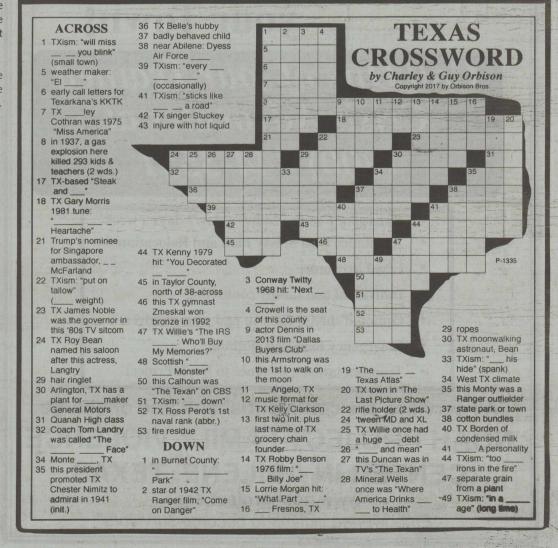
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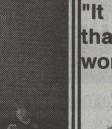
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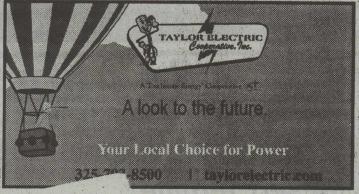


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### Profile of Governor Beauford Jester

challenges at home and over- in 1944. seas. Beauford Jester became governor in 1947 in an attempt to modernize Texas. Jester's years as the thirty-sixth governor helped set the tone for the state

in the years after World War II. Beauford Halbert Jester was born in Corsicana in 1893. His father was State Senator George T. Jester, a prominent Corsicana ers and gave Jester a valuable banker. The elder Jester was opening. He led the first primary elected lieutenant governor in with 38% of the vote. In the run-1894 and served two terms before returning to Corsicana.

local schools before enrolling at the University of Texas in 1912 where he also played baseball. He graduated in 1916 and soon enrolled at Harvard Law School.

America entered World War I in 1917. Jester answered the call to service, dropped out of army. He rose to become captain, commanding a company of infantry. He and his men saw intense combat in France, and he was honorably discharged universities. after the conclusion of the war

gan studying at the University of Texas Law School, earning admission to the bar in 1920. father's health declined, and he opened his own law practice. After his father's death in 1922, he began managing the family's real estate and oil holdings. His law office steadily grew; he even defended several area oil companies before the U.S. Supreme Court. By 1925, when he was only 32, local attorneys honored him by electing him president of the Navarro County Bar Association. He held the position for the next thirteen years and ultimately became president of the Texas Bar Association.

In 1929, Gov. Dan Moody appointed Jester to the University of Texas Board of Regents. During his tenure, major improvements were planned for the university as well as the medical school in Galveston. The 1933 plan included the construction of the iconic tower of the main building on campus. Jester served as chairman of the board from 1933 until 1935.

A seat on the Railroad Commission became open in early 1942 when Commissioner Jerry Sadler resigned to join the army. Ironically, Jester's father had helped create the Railroad Commission when he served in the State House of Representatives in 1891. Jester was appointed

The years after World War II to fill the unexpired term and inclusion of the twelfth grade was were a time in which America announced his candidacy for the had confidence in its abilities but 1942 race and won the election looked with concern at the many fairly easily. He was re-elected

> Gov. Coke Stevenson announced in 1946 that he would not seek re-election. Fourteen candidates jumped into a sprawling primary to replace him, including Jester. The lieutenant governor and attorney general had also jumped into the race, but their extremism repelled votoff, he faced former ut president when he suddenly suffered a defending his administration. Jester rallied business interests and defeated him easily to win the Democratic nomination.

The state had many problems with poor roads and bridges and serious deficiencies in education. Thought Jester had called for law school, and enlisted in the a state board for labor arbitration, the legislature fought to weaken unions. He managed to get the legislature to approve expanded funding for the state's

He was re-elected in 1948. He returned to Texas and be- surfaced in 1949 with the Gilmer-Aikin laws which mandated a state board of education, training standards for teachers, equal pay He returned to Corsicana as his for white and black teachers, and a nine-month school year. The

also mandated. He also won funding for improved highways.

His record on the increasingly volatile subject of civil rights was mixed. He refused to support President Harry Truman's end to segregation in the military and federal hiring. However, he won support of an anti-lynching law and created a law school for African-Americans.

He was enjoying a popular and successful governorship as the summer of 1949 approached. On July 22, he boarded a train to leave for a vacation in Galveston Homer Rainey, who had spent massive heart attack. He died The younger Jester attended the years since his 1944 firing at the age of 56. He was the first governor to die in office and was succeeded by Lt. Gov. Allan Shivers.

> In light of his work for the University of Texas, the university named its new dormitory complex after him in 1968, a dorm that housed nearly 3,000 students and was the largest dorm in the world at the time. The State of Texas renamed a prison in Fort Bend County after him. His native Corsicana honored him by naming a park after him, and a historic marker Important education reforms has since been placed at the site of his boyhood home.

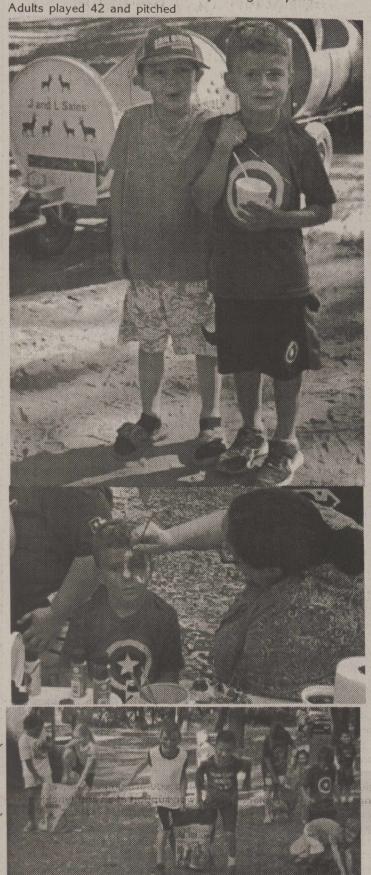
> > Dr. Ken Bridges is a Texas native, writer, and history professor. He can be reached at drkenbridges@gmail.com.



# July Jubilee was a Huge Sucess Well over a hundred moms, horseshoes, while the kids tried

dads, grandmas, grandpas and the three-legged race, tug-oftheir kids came out to Treadway Park on Sunday evening for the July Jubilee put on by the First Baptist Church. Everyone enjoyed grilled hot dogs, cold watermelon and sno cones.

war, egg race and many other fun events. Live music and the dunking booth added to the event. The little ones rode on the kiddie train that weaved its way through the park.







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# Clothes Closet Open Saturday

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The Clothes Closet is also carrying small kitchen appliances and other household items, too.

Due to your generous donations, the Clothes Closet and our storage area are both full. At this time, we cannot accept any more donations.

The Clothes Closet is located behind the Baptist Church.



Don and Debbie Gosnel



# 4 ways to escape the rental trap

After living as renters for the first seven years of their marriage, Geoff and Kristi decided it was time to purchase their first house.

They decided to pass on making a purchase earlier in their lives for reasons ranging from unstable job security to high mortgage rates. Whether justified or not, Geoff and Kristi kept making excuses for not pulling the trigger on a newhome purchase. They had no idea of the opportunity they were missing to start building their personal wealth through home ownership.

As time moved on and their family grew, they knew they finally needed to make that move to build some equity and have something to show for the money they were dishing out just to keep a roof over their heads.

"A lot of people have been misinformed, resulting in becoming content to live as renters," says Joe Puthur, President of Mortgage Coach (www.mortgagecoach.com). "Families have been missing out on opportunities because of lack of knowledge. With today's mortgage options, people can achieve affordable home ownership wherever they want to live.

Puthur offers first-time home owners the following insight to help find the right mortgage:

The best mortgage option is not always about rate. Many loans come with advantages such as working in the cost of planned renovations like adding a bathroom or modernizing a kitchen - into your loan. When shopping for a loan, do not just look at the rate as the bottom line; find out what types of perks different you decide to sell.

Extension Service will hold a

Texas Sheep & Goat Expo on Friday and Saturday, August

18th and August 19th at the First Community Spur Arena in

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Your occupation might get you a better mortgage. Lenders have programs with discounted closing rates available for teachers, doctors, firefighters, police officers and those who are self-employed. Make sure you ask your lender if there are programs like this available for your profession.

Veterans: Make the most of government incentives. 'VA loans are available to veterans of the U.S. military, current service members or former military spouses who are not remarried. The advantages of a VA loan when compared to traditional loans include: No down-payment for qualified buyers, easier qualification process, better interest rates and no requirements to purchase Private Mortgage Insurance. A VA loan isn't controlled by Veteran's Affairs, only guaranteed by the VA, meaning those qualified for the loans have a number of options when it comes to lending institutions. Every veteran can and should own a home.

Consider your home as the most important investment you'll ever make. Every month that you make a mortgage payment you are building equity, which is the portion of the property that you actually own, versus what you still owe. As time goes on, your equity goes up and you can leverage the value to provide college funding, access financial support for unexpected emergencies, or even to purchase an investment property. Your equity also provides retirement security. And as a long-term investment, homes generally appreciate in value, providing a profit when

A mortgage is not a typical

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AgriLife Research Scientist

& Resident Director; and

Research Scientist-Animal

loan, it is a financial instrument enabling wealth creation and access to affordable home ownership. Interest rates on a quality mortgage continue to be below 5% regardless of program. Considering this time in 1997 rates were often over 9%, this is one of the most favorable times in history to buy a home, an opportunity no one

should miss. "It is not complicated to escape the rental trap, own the perfect home and start building equity toward a better future," Puthur says. "Homebuyers just need a trusted mortgage professional who can help them make an effective, informed and confident decision. After all, the perfect home is not only where they will make memories, it is a key contributor for growing their family's wealth and financial security over

**About Joe Puthur** Mortgage Coach President Joe Puthur has been a technology leader throughout the last 15 years. His mortgage industry designs have always pushed the envelope and now he is helping the industry embrace the mobile revolution through Mortgage Coach (www. mortgagecoach.com). Puthur was the founder and former CEO of Lasso Technologies, a start-up that pioneered bringing Loan Origination Software online. In 2005, Ellie Mae acquired Lasso Technologies to create Encompass Anywhere, the largest SaaS offered LOS. Puthur has been selected multiple times among the "40 Most Influential Leaders in the Mortgage Industry Under 40" by Mortgage Professional magazine.

# Weight Warriors Meets on **Tuesdays**

Weight Warriors meets weekly and is always welcoming new people. This is time to think about weight loss and new healthy eating habits.

A new contest may be. beginning soon, too.

We are planning on having Sterling County; Dr. Jim Muir, some guests speakers in AgriLife Research Scientist, the coming months and introducing to us some new ideas to help us be more healthy and happier as well.

Weight Warriors is an informal group of like minded people who want to support each other in our journey to having the best body we can, the healthy way, Gods way, so that we can be the healthiest people around.

Come on over and join us if you have a desire to be healthy, enjoy group support, and

maybe lose some pounds, too. There is no cost to be a part of this group. We ask only for donations to the local food pantry. So as we are cutting back on our food --- we can donate non-perishable items to other Cross Plains residents. We meet every Tuesday at 5:30 p m at the First United Methodist Church located on Dr. Travis Whitney, AgriLife north main past the school.

Come and bring a friend.

# Stephen Ministry Program Open to Everyone

The First United Methodist develops a purely confidential Church of Cross Plains is proud to announce their affiliation with Stephen Ministries, a notfor-profit Christian Education given. Whether it is the difficulty organization, to the Cross Plains of divorce, parenting, illness, and surrounding communities. Stephen Ministries was founded in 1975 and is a part of over 12,000 congregations.

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of caring one-on-one ministry within our community. The Stephen Minister (SM) is identifiable information called to, "bear one another's is omitted to ensure that burdens, and in this way you will fulfill the law of Christ" (Galatians 6:2). The SM

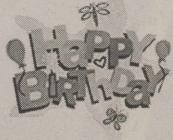
caring relationship to walk side by side with you through whatever challenges life has hospitalization, unemployment or death a SM listens and walks with you through the difficult

Each SM spends time with one community member encourage, and care for that person exclusively until the hardship resolves. There are both male and female SM to Stephen Ministry is a source assure that men can meet with men and women with women. All names and personally

> confidentiality is kept by strict standards. Stephen Ministry multiplies

ngs in the community by allowing Christians to respond to Christ's commandment: "Love one another as I have loved you" (John 15:12). It provides the community with a team of gifted, talented, trained people to help minister to hurting people. People who would benefit from a compassionate companion for emotional and spiritual support. Stephen Ministry may be just what you, or someone you know, need in your life at this

moment. For more information, or to connect with a local Stephen Minister, contact the First United Methodist Church 1000 N. Main, church phone 254-725-7377, Lee Anne Morton-Stephen Leader 325-220-1716.



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#### August 9

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Richard Lee Brenton Calvin McNutt George Shewmaker Allison (McGowen) Ames

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# **Senior Citizens Center Activities**

#### August 7th -August 11th

Monday-7th- Exercise 11:00/Music Jam 6:00 pm Tuesday-8th Matter of Balance 9:30 Exercise 11:00 Wednesday-9th Exercise 11:00/Blood Pressure Checkwith Kendrick at Home of Eastland

Thursday-10th Matter of Balance 9:30-Exercise 11:00 Friday-11th Exercise 11:00/Bingo11:15 with Ray

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

#### August 7th - August 11th

Picante, Dessert

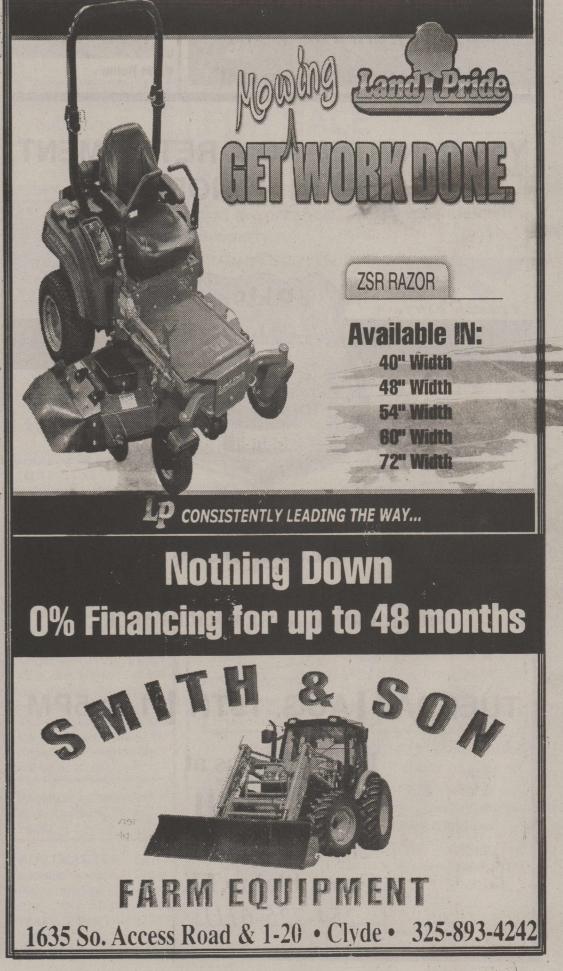
Tuesday 8th-Chicken on Chips, Onion Slices, Fruit, Bun, Tater Tots, Pickle Spear, Dessert

Wednesday 9th-Fried Fish, Potato Salad, Baked Beans, Hush puppies, Dessert

Monday 7th-Taco Salad, Thursday 10th- Burrito Ranch Style Beans, Chips, with Chili and Cheese, Lettuce & Tomato Salad, Corn, Dessert Friday 11th-Sloppy Joe,

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

Monthly Menu may be picked up at the Senior Citizen Center



# Friends of NRA Banquet is this Saturday at Clyde Chamber Building

The Callahan County Friends of the NRA annual banquet will be held this Saturday, August 5th at the Clyde Chamber of Commerce building located on North First Street in downtown

Doors for this year's banquet will open at 5:00 p.m. on Saturday, August 5th. The meal will be served at 6:00 p.m. Banquet tickets are \$25.00 per person and advance tickets are still available from any FNRA member, Bonnie Parkhill in Baird, Patrick Clark at Wildlife Nutrition in Cross Plains, at the Clyde Journal in Clyde, from Kevin Meier at Longacre Gun Shop in Abilene, and the Rowden Store in Rowden,

This year's banquet meal will be catered by 5C Smokehouse and the meal will consist of brisket and sausage, plus pinto beans, potato salad, bread, cobbler and tea or water.

This year's banquet will still hold the "Wall of Guns" bucket raffle, live auction and the usual games played throughout the course of the night.

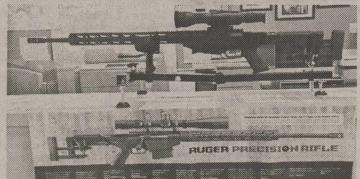
Raffle tickets are now available from any Friends of the NRA board member or can be purchased at the Clyde Journal at 312 North First Street in Clyde, the Rowden Store on State Highway 36 in Rowden and from Patrick Clark at Wildlife Nutrition Center in Cross Plains.

One rifle this year will be awarded to one lucky winner. This year's gun is a Ruger Precision .308 with Day/Night Scope. This gun is currently on display at the Clyde Journal office located at 312 North First Street in Clyde.

Only 200 tickets will be sold. Tickets are \$20.00 each. The drawing will take place during the banquet on August 5th.

The Friends of the NRA have also now announced the 2017 table packages for this year's banquet. All tables purchased will include eight event tickets.

The Reserved Patriot Table is \$350 and includes reserved



-The Callahan County Friends of the NRA is currently raffling off this Ruger Precision Rifle 308 & ATN x-site II 5-20 Day/Night scope for this year's Friends of the NRA Banquet which will be held on August 5th. Proceeds from the raffle will benefit the West Texas Friends of the NRA and NRA Foundation. Tickets are priced at \$20.00 each and only 200 tickets will be sold. Tickets are currently available from any Callahan County NRA board member or can be purchased at the Clyde Journal office at 312 North First Street in Clyde. The drawing will take place at the Callahan County Friends of the NRA Banquet this Saturday, August 5th.

# FRIENDS OF



seating and a special limited edition cartridge box in your choice of 223, 308 or 30-06.

The Bronze Patriot Table is \$850 and includes reserved seating, mention in the program as a Bronze Patriot Support and your choice of eithter a Kahr Arms CW9 9mm or a Savage Axis XP 308.

The Silver Patriot Table is \$1,500 and includes great seating, mention in the program as a Silver Patriot Supporter and your choice of either a Kimber Two-Tone Ultra-Carry II 45 ACP or 2 - Sig P320's in eithter 9 or 4- cal.

The Gold Patriot Table is \$2,500 and includes top seating, Prime mention i nthe program as a Gold Patriot Table supporter and your choice of 4 - Diamondback DB9F 9mm or

a Daniel Defense DDM4 M4A1 SOCOM Rifle in 5.56 or an STI 1911 Guardian 9mm.

The Platinum Patriot Table is \$5,000 and includes prime seating, prime mention in the program as a Platinum Table patriot and either a 8 FMK 9mm w/Pledge of Alegiance engraved on the side or 4 WEatherby Vangaurd Selecte 270 rifles.

Custom tables are also available upon request.

All proceeds from this year's Callahan County Friends of the NRA Banquet will benefit the NRA Foundation and the West Texas FNRA.

Again, this year's banquet doors will open at 5:00 p.m. and the meal will be served at 6:00 p.m. on Saturday, August 5th. The banquet master of ceremonies will be Jack Cannon.

Come join the fun for a good time and a good cause. Proceeds from the annual banquet are distributed to West Texas organizations. Previous organizations receiving funds include the Callahan County Shooting Sports and Callahan County Sheriff's Department.

# Oak

year for trees in general. I have had more calls on oak trees than I expected to have this year. Coming out of the 2011 drought, many oak trees roots have been weakened during this time due to the lack of water. The historic drought crippled tree health to such an extent that trees is still suffering today. In 2016, we have received large amounts moisture which has caused another issue. This issue is the drowning of the trees. These two issues of drought and drowning make trees susceptible to attack by the cankers, root rot, and woodboring insects. Symptoms for rapid decile of post oaks are:

Rapid appearance of chlorotic (yellow) and necrotic (brown and dead) leaves throughout the entire tree crown.

Leaves remaining attached to twigs, but trees were dead or nearly so.

Groups of dead and dying

Being that there is no cure for

Oak Decline. You can control the health of your oak trees by improving aeration and soil drainage, using correct irrigation practices, and using mulch to prevent continual watering at the base of the trees. Note that these are trees in your backyard or in your front yard. These practices are not practical in pasture or in thicket of oaks. It is suggested to thin an affected tree stand of post oak to reduce competition, making nutrients and water available to the remaining trees. This has been an issue and will continue to be an issue for many years to come. If you have any questions about Oak Decline or Oak Wilt, give Agrilife Extension Office a call at 325-854-5835

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# White-tailed Deer Summit in Abilene this Thursday

ABILENE - The Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service in Taylor County will conduct the White-tailed Deer Summit Thursday, August 3rd in the Big Country Hall in Abilene.

Big Country Hall is next to the AgriLife Extension offices on the grounds of the Taylor County Expo Center, 1982 Lytle Way, Abilene, TX 79602.

The event will consist of two sessions: Session 1, Managing Property for White-tailed Deer, from 1:30 - 5:00 p.m. and Session 2 from 5:30 - 9:00 p.m. to highlight keys for Hunting Season Success. Participants are encouraged, but not required to attend both sessions. "We've scheduled this

program to help our landowners improve their management strategies for white-tailed deer and to help hunters ensure a successful hunting season," said Thomas Cunningham, AgriLife Extension assistant agent in Taylor County. "All the presentations will be timely and delivered by speakers with firsthand knowledge of their respective topics. It should be interesting for anyone - hunters, landowners and managers — with white-tailed deer interests in our region."

Session 1 topics and speakers will include:

- Managing Free-Range White-tailed Deer, Genetics, Nutrition, Herd Management, Dr. John Tomecek, AgriLife Extension Wildlife Specialist,

- Deer Habitat Management and Managed Lands Deer Program Highlights, Annaliese Scoggin, Texas Parks and Wildlife Department Biologist,

-Deer Management Research, Culling, Chronic Wasting Disease, Dr. Randy DeYoung and Dr. Aaron Foley, Caesar Kleberg Wildlife Research Institute at Texas A&M University-Kingsville.

Session 2 will begin with an evening meal at 5:30 and will feature topics and speakers to include:

- White-tailed Deer Nutrition and Supplemental Feeding, Scott Hohensee, Wildlife Specialist, Purina Animal Nutrition, New Braunfels

White-tailed Deer Hunting Lease Management and Working with Outfitters, Greg Simons, Wildlife Biologist, Wildlife Systems, Inc., San Angelo.

Preserving Our Hunting Heritage and Ensuring a Successful Hunting Experience, Marc Bartoskewitz, Ranch Manager, Cook Canyon and Clear Fork Ranches, Ranger.

Individual registration is \$15 if you register by August 1 and \$20 thereafter. Registration includes both sessions and evening meal.

For more information, contact the AgriLife Extension office in Taylor County at 325-672-6048 or pre-register online

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# Scranton

The Scranton Musical will be held Saturday, August 5, 2017 at the Scranton Community Center. The kitchen will be Starr of Stamford. Serving begins at 5:00 and the menu special will be Spaghetti, Salad, and Bread. There will also be sandwiches for \$1.50 and homemade pie slices for \$1.00. All proceeds of the kitchen go to the continuous upkeep of the Community Center. Donations for current roof repair needs are gladly accepted. Volunteer help to host the kitchen is also needed. Information about each of these needs is available at the musical or you may contact any of the volunteers or Community Center Officers. Music begins at 5:30 with a line up of musicians to entertain you until about 10:00. We look forward to you joining us for a pleasant evening of good food,

# Delivered Meals **Available**

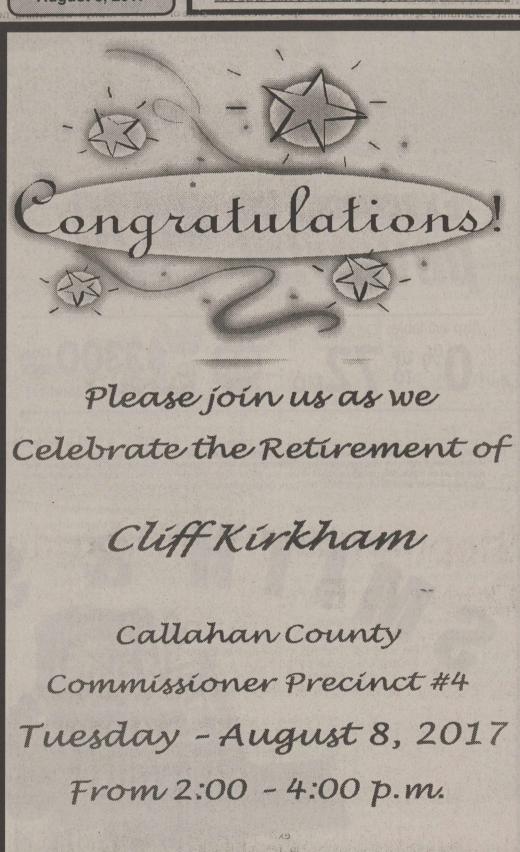
entertainment, and fellowship.

changes, sometime we may need a little help. The Cross Plains Senior Center offers home delivered meals Monday - Friday to residents living within a 2 mile radius of Cross

These meals are packaged. and then delivered to the front door of home-bound persons over 60 years old. If you or someone you know could benefit by receiving a nutritious lunch please call the Cross Plains Senior Center at 254 725-6521.

If there are people in need of this service outside the delivery area, please contact us and we will explore options available.

The Cross Plains Senior 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.



In the District Courtroom

County Courthouse

#### Take time to be heard, attend local conservation program meeting

When: August 21, 2017 Time: 1:00 p.m.

Location: 2nd floor of the Callahan Co. Courthouse Baird, Texas 79504

Baird, Texas, August 1, 2017—The USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) in Callahan County and the Callahan Divide Soil and Water Conservation District cordially invite the public to attend their FY17 Local Working Group (LWG) meeting August 21, 2017, at 1 p.m.

The purpose of this annual LWG meeting is to bring together conservation stakeholders to discuss conservation topics and issues, and to set local conservation priorities to help

manage the natural resources. The meeting also updates attendees on recent conservation efforts and allows for an opportunity to collect public input to help guide future conservation activities. Through regular identification of conservation opportunities, effective Farm Bill investments can continue to benefit Callahan County. Farmers, ranchers, conservationists, and others interested in obtaining Federal technical and financial assistance to improve private lands are invited to participate.

For more information, please contact Sammy L. Wilson, District Conservationist, at (325) 854-1349 Ext-3. For more information, visit the tx.nrcs.usda.gov/.

# Vital to the Senior Center

Thanks: a grateful feeling or acknowledgment of a benefit, favor, or the like, expressed by words or actions.

The Cross Plains Senior Center is blessed beyond words by the generosity of people, churches and organizations.

Every day we have someone come in with fresh vegetables, money to be used however we need it, or any number of items that can be used to enrich the lives of our seniors.

We also have volunteers that deliver meals each day to our shut-ins at their own expense,

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packaging meals, dusting, sweeping, mopping, the list just keeps on going.

With the all the cuts in funding for programs for the elderly, these donations of money, time and talents are vital to the success of our program.

Saying thank you is not enough, so we invite you to months. Everyone has had come by and visit, play games, or just spend time with the people that are reaping the provided. Dinner is potluck. benefits of your gifts and see for yourselves how beneficial your donations are. Cross Plains Senior Center

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# Money Time and Talents are Dance at Senior Center on Monday, August 14th

Come dance the night away at the Cross Plains Senior Center on Monday, August 14th, starting at 6:30 p.m.

Music and entertainmen provided by Margie Hartsfield, who has performed at the dances in the past several such a good time.

Snacks and beverage Only \$5 admission. Everyone and have a good time!



55 and older is invited to come





Ron Bramhall and Alan Walker of Ennis, TX

# **Busy week at Museum**

Three groups have toured the REH Museum this past week. In addition to the Starkovich family that is featured elsewhere in the paper, Sam Garnes and Matt Waggener of Lynchburg, VA, arrived on motorcycles. The two took time off from the construction business for a long trip around the country; traveling from Lynchburg to Washington state, down Cross Plains and back north.

Howard's fantasy writings, so primarily fantasy stories by making the loop down this way was a given. They even found including Robert Howard. room in their cycle bags to stuff

new t-shirts.

Then Ron Bramhall and Alan Walker of Ennis, TX took a short day trip out here to see the Museum. Bramhall is a teacher in the Dallas School system working with elementary gifted and talented students. In and around his teaching job, he does some screen writing. Walker, retired after many years for Fort Motor Company, through California, over to is currently working as a private investigator. He loves reading Both are great fans of and has quite the library of a wide variety of writers,



COLTON ROBERTS, MR. ROBERTS, AND JORDAN BARCOMB ENJOY A LEISURELY CANOE RIDE.



PRESTON LINDLEY, STEVEN WHITEHEAD, AND JARON FROST RELAX IN THE COOL WATER OF THE SAN SABA

# Clyde Scouts Camp at Sol Mayer

Five Boy Scouts and four and cleanup. They also made leaders from Troop 223 in Clyde time for a service project, braved the heat to spend the helping the camp ranger put weekend camping on the banks away lumber leftover from of the San Saba River at Camp the construction of a kayak Sol Mayer near Fort McKavett. rack. Everyone had a great Activities included fishing for time, and is looking forward bass and catfish, canoeing, and relaxing in the cool water of San Saba River. The boys opportunities in Callahan Co. also learned valuable lessons may contact James Whitehead in teamwork and responsibility by sharing in meal preparation

to next months camp out. Anyone interested in Scouting 325-829-7808



# Rep. Villalba files bills to limit property tax growth for familes and senior citizens

Jason Villalba (R-Dallas) has filed House Bill 360 and House Bill 359, which would limit the growth of property taxes for seniors and the disabled, and restrain the growth of taxable property values, respectively.

Accompanied by House Joint Resolution 51, HB 360 would freeze what senior citizens and disabled persons are required to pay in property taxes to all taxing entities. "Property taxes have become a financial burden on too many Texas families; but for our senior citizens and disabled persons, particularly those on a fixed income, increasing property tax bills could force them out of their own homes, even in cases where the mortgage has been paid off," said Rep. Villalba.

While current law states that property taxes paid to ISDs in Texas are frozen for disabled homeowners or once a homeowner turns 65, HB 360 would expand this policy to all entities with the authority to levy property taxes against homeowners. Villalba continued, "It seems unfair that our property tax system is skewed against those who have often worked the longest and hardest to achieve home ownership, which is a central tenet of the American Dream." In addition, HB 359 and HJR 50 would set new caps on increases in taxable property values. Under current law, taxable property values cannot increase by greater than ten percent in a single year. This means that taxable property values could increase by over 150% in ten years, resulting in

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AUSTIN-StateRepresentative a substantially greater property tax burden. If enacted, HB 359 would further the current law by imposing a cap limiting that increase to only 25% over the course of those ten years. By creating a longer-term cap in addition to the 10% annual cap, this bill seeks to prevent rising property values from forcing hard working Texans from their

> "It remains critically important that we protect hard working Texans. The current 10% per year caps may have made sense when property values increased at a reasonable rate, but in times of hyper-valuation, we cannot ignore the impact on Texans who are on a fixed income," Villalba said. "My own parents live just a few blocks from me and I know that super-accelerated real estate values have pushed them to the point where they may have to sell their home. That is not acceptable to me."

> Representative Jason Villalba represents Lake Highlands, Preston Hollow and Northwest Dallas in the Texas House of Representatives. Rep. Villalba, a graduate of Baylor University and the University of Texas School of Law, was first elected to represent House District 114 in November 2012. He is a proud, fourth-generation Texan and the first in his family to attend college. Prior to attending law school and becoming a partner in a major Texas law firm, Rep. Villalba held the positions of financial analyst and economist for a Fortune 500 company located

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### **Cross Plains** Public Library News

**Library Hours** 

Mon. 1:00pm to 5:00pm Tues. 11:00am to 7:00pm Wed. 1:00 to 5:00pm Thurs. 1:00pm to 5:00pm Closed Friday

July 24-27, 2017

New Children's Books Bought with Pilcrow Grant Deep Roots: How Trees Sustain Our Planet by Nikki Tate When the Earth Shakes: Earthquakes, Volcanoes by Simon Winchester The Queen's Shadow: A Story How Animals See by Cybele

**Books Checked 58** 

Summer Reading Program

Children's Program 28

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Computer 14 Reference 16

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MEMBERS OF THE BAIRD CHAMBER OF COMMERCE HOSTED A RIBBON CUTTING FOR RENE AND SETH GOLDSMITH (PICTURED CENTER) AT THEIR NEWLY REMODELED "LONE STAR BUILDING". THIS BEAUTIFULLY RESTORED HISTORIC BUILDING IN DOWNTOWN BAIRD IS LOCATED AT 201 MARKET STREET. THE BUILDING CONSISTS OF AN ELEGANT VENUE FOR BANQUETS, WEDDINGS, ETC. THAT WILL SEAT APPROXIMATELY 75 PEOPLE. ON THE EAST SIDE. A RETAIL SPACE DOWNSTAIRS AND A BED AND BREAKFAST STYLE LODGE ON THE WEST SIDE. THE LODGE IS LISTED ON AIRBNB.COM. WE ENCOURAGE YOU TO GO ONLINE AND CHECK RATES, PICTURES, AND INFORMATION.

# Lone Star Building in Baird has Ribbon **Cutting and Fantastic Grand Opening**

Last Friday night, July 28th from 6-8PM Seth and Rene Goldsmith hosted a ribbon cutting and Open House celebration for the historic Home National Bank building, newly named the "Lone Star Building".

The building first opened in February 1908 and served as Home National Bank until the depression. It later served as several lawyers offices and for years, (in later years) as Dr. Carrol McGown's Dental Office.

Seth and Rene Goldsmith purchased the building in 2014 and began renovations earlier

The Masonic portion of the building has been turned into the Lone Star Hall and will seat

approximately 75-80 people. The west end of the building

which was originally office spaces has been made into the Lone Star lodge, a bed and breakfast styled lodge with accommodations for six.

The downstairs portion can be a retail store.

The Come and Go Open House was attended by approximately 75 people. Who were served lemonade and cookies and given the grand tour of this Beautiful Historical Building.

Again the retail portion is down stairs. To get to the really exceptional part you must venture up the beautifully refurbished staircase. Greeting you at the top of the stairs is an impressive large murial of a

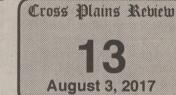
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To the left is the beautifully appointed Lone Star Lodge, a bed and breakfast which will sleep up to six people. You can see pictures of this at airbnb.

Turn right at the top of the stairs and left off the hallway are the restrooms and right again off the hall, is a beautiful

On down the hall brings you to the grand ballroom...the "Lone Star Hall". Large and Wonderful hardwood floors, brick and plaster walls and large

Truly a beautifully renovated building and wonderful Grand



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# Cross Plains ISD Needing a New Band Hall and Cafeteria Renovation

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The Cross Plains ISD Board of Trustees is asking for a tax increase to fund school improvements to include a new band hall and a cafeteria renovation. The 13 cent tax increase will provide an additional \$359,000 per year for the school. The increase will cost the average home owner approximately \$32.50 per year. (The average home owner owns a \$50,000 home and receives a \$25,000 homestead exemption.) Citizens that rent their home will not pay taxes on the home, and over 65 year old citizens will not see an increase.

Voters are asked to consider the tax increase on Saturday, August 26 from 7:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m. in the Cross Plains Community Center. Early Voting will be in the Cross Plains ISD Board Room from 8:00 a.m. -4:00 p.m. (Monday - Friday) beginning on August 9 and ending on August 22. Additional Early Voting will be available in the evening on August 14, 15, and 17 from 5:45 p.m. – 8:15 p.m. also in the School Board Room. Joyce McCoy is the Early Voting Clerk.

There will be a Public Meeting in the Cross Plains ISD Band Hall on Tuesday, August 8, 2017, in order to answer questions and hear suggestions. The meeting will begin at 7:00 p.m. School finance expert, John Walch, will be in attendance to give a presentation and answer questions.



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# What are the stray livestock rules?

By Tiffany Dowell

Question: What are the rules if stray livestock shows up on my property? Can I keep them? Answer: The popular adage "finders keepers, losers weepers" may apply on the playground, but it does not apply when it comes to stray livestock.

The Texas Agriculture Code, Chapter 142 deals with procedures regarding stray livestock, exotic livestock, bison, and foul. The rules apply not only to the owner of the land on which the strays have wandered, but also to a lessee, occupant, or caretaker of such

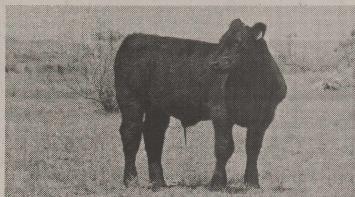
Reporting Stray Livestock

The first step if stray livestock appear is a call to the sheriff's office in the county where the stray is discovered. See Tex. Agric. Code Section 142.003. This call should be made "as soon as reasonably possible." In order to be eligible for redemption payment from the owner of the stray livestock, a reporting landowner must do so within five days. See Tex. Agric. Code Section 142.004(b).

Once stray livestock are reported, the sheriff will attempt to contact the owner. If the owner is found, he or she may redeem the livestock in accordance with the procedures set forth below. If an owner is not found or if the owner fails to redeem the livestock within five days, the sheriff will impound the animal. If the animal is not recovered from impound, the sheriff will sell the animal at public auction as described

Redemption of Stray Livestock Before Impoundment

An owner of stray livestock may redeem the animals upon making a "redemption payment." See Tex. Agric. Code Section 142.004. This payment shall be a "reasonable amount for maintenance and damages." The amount of this payment may either be agreed upon by the parties or, if no agreement can be reached, an action may be filed in the justice court and the justice of the peace will set the payment amount. The requirements for



the petition to the justice of the peace are listed by statute and include the name of the owner of the estray, description of the estray, a number of days the estray was trespassing, the name of the owner or occupant of the property, the purpose for which the land is currently used, and a statement that the estray owner and the owner or occupant of the property are unable to agree on the payment. See Tex. Agric. Code Section 142.007. If the parties disagree with the decision on the justice of the peace, then the justice will appoint three special commissioners (disinterested persons familiar with livestock and agriculture who live in the county) to render a decision on the proper redemption amount. The special commissioner's decision is final. See Tex. Agric. Code Section 142.008.

Again, as noted above, in order to receive a redemption payment, a landowner must report the stray animals within five days of discovery. See Tex. Agric. Code Section 142.004(b).

Additionally, if the sheriff is present at the time of redemption, he or she may require payment of a collection fee not to exceed \$25. See Tex. Agric. Code Section 142.005.

A livestock owner must redeem the stray animal no later than five days after notification (or be making a good faith effort to make the redemption payment), or the sheriff is required to proceed with the impoundment process set forth below. See Tex. Agric. Code Section 142.009(a)(5).

Impoundment of Livestock If the animals are not immediately redeemed by their owner (or if an owner is

not found), the sheriff may impound the animals or, if a perilous condition exists (condition in which capture and impoundment of an estray presents an immediate threat to law enforcement personnel or the health of the estray), the sheriff may dispose of the animal in any manner necessary without prior notice to the owner. See Tex. Agric. Code Section 142.009; 142.003(d)(2).

After the animal is impounded, the sheriff must prepare a "notice of estray" that contains details including the name and address of the reporting party, location where the animal was found, location of where the estray will be held until disposition, and a description of the animal. See Tex. Agric. Code Section 142.009(b). The notice shall be filed in the county clerk's estray records. See Tex. Agric. Code Section 142.009(c). Further, if no owner is ascertainable, the sheriff will conduct a "diligent search" to find the owner, including searching the county register of recorded brands if the animal is branded. If the search does not reveal the owner, then the notice of estray is posted on the public notice board at the county courthouse, and either in a local newspaper of general circulation or on the county internet website for at least 15 days. See Tex. Agric. Code Section 142.009(d).

Redemption of Stray Livestock from Impound

An animal owner may redeem his livestock from impound at anytime prior to sale. In order to do so, he or she must file an ownership affidavit with the sheriff and file the affidavit in the estray records. See Tex.

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Agric. Code Section 142.010. The affidavit must contain the following information: name and address of owner, date the owner discovered the animal was an estray, property from which the animal strayed, a description of the animal, and a sworn statement that the affiant is the owner or caretaker of the animal. See Tex. Agric. Code Section 142.010. Additionally, the owner must pay all estray handling expenses, which include all expenses incurred by the party who discovered the estray and by the sheriff. See Tex. Agric. Code Section 142.010. This amount will be determined by the sheriff. If the owner disagrees, then he or she may proceed with filing a justice court petition through the procedures explained above. Disposition or Sale of

Impounded Strays If a stray animal is not redeemed within three days after the final advertisement in the paper or county internet website, or is not redeemed before the 18th day after the date of impoundment, title to the animal is deemed to pass to the county. See Tex. Agric. Code Section 142.013. At that point, the sheriff will sell the animal at a sheriff sale or at a public auction licensed by the USDA. The sheriff receives proceeds from the sale, which are applied in the following order: payment of sale expenses, payment of impoundment fee and other fees due to sheriff, payment to reporting landowner for maintenance or damages.

If the sheriff determines the sale is unlikely to generate sufficient proceeds to cover sale expenses, the sheriff may donate the estray to a nonprofit organization or retain the animal to use for county purposes. See Tex. Agric. Code Section 142.013.

If the original owner comes forward within 180 days after the animal is sold, he or she may recover net proceeds from the sale upon filing an ownership affidavit. See Tex. Agric. Code Section 142.014.

# **Focus on Retirement** Planning - It's Your Future

Social Security Public Affairs Specialist in El Paso, Texas

When most people begin their career, retirement is the farthest thing from their mind. Instead, they focus on trying to purchase a home, start a family, or perhaps save money for travel. Retirement seems so far away for many younger people that they delay putting aside money. However, it's very important to save for the future - if you want to enjoy it.

An employer-sponsored retirement plan or 401(k) can be a useful way to set aside funds for retirement, especially if your employer offers matching funds on what you invest. If you don't work for an employer that offers this type of plan, there are many other plans designed to help you save for retirement.

From solo 401(k)s to traditional and Roth IRAs, there

are programs designed to fit a multitude of budgets. The earlier you start to save, the more funds you'll have ready for retirement.

In addition to traditional programs, the U.S. Department of the Treasury now offers a retirement savings option called myRA. There's no minimum to open the account, you can contribute what you can afford, and you can withdraw funds with ease. To learn more about myRA, visit www.myra.gov.

And, as always, there is Social Security, which is funded by taxes you pay while you work. To get estimates of future benefits and check your earnings record for accuracy, you can create a my Social Security account at www. socialsecurity.gov/myaccount.

Prepare for your future and start saving - and planning

- today!

# **Pre-trip Vehicle Check for** a Stress Free Road Trip

is here and AAA expects to receive calls from over seven million stranded motorists experiencing car trouble this summer. The majority of issues the travel group anticipates will cause car problems, such as dead batteries and flat tires, can be prevented with a pre-trip vehicle inspection.

or visit a trusted professional technician, a pre-trip vehicle check will give you peace of mind and provide the opportunity to make any necessary repairs before you hit the road.

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Summer road trip season transmission fluids as well as washer solvent and coolant. The Car Care Council also recommends inspecting the brake system and performing a tune-up to help the engine deliver the best balance of power and fuel economy.

To be prepared for an unplannedroadsideemergency, remember to fully charge cell phones before you go and bring along a vehicle emergency kit, including jumper cables, emergency flairs, first-aid kit, flashlight with extra batteries, bottled water, non-perishable food items and blankets. Keep a copy of the Car Care Council's Car Care Guide in your glove box. Order a free copy online at www.carcare.org/car-care-

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