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CROSS PLAINS, CALLAHAN COUNTY, TEXAS 76443

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DOWN HOME

Editor's Note: Here is a cute poem that is opposite of "KEEPING UP WITH THE JONES".

I was talking to Bobbie Johnston just this week about the fact that children always choose a certain house in the neighborhood that they are comfortable at and they congregate there. Children are not judgemental but they know where they are welcome. This story will bring back childhood days or perhaps memories of children who visited in your home. Vanda Anderson

"Keeping Ahead"

The trees in our yard are not as tall
As those across the street;
The yard itself is not so big,
The shubbery not so neat.

The Jones' house has fresh white paint,
And ours is pretty drab;
We cannot, like the Smiths,
Afford a limousine or cab.

The Johnsons have a country place;
The Williams have a yacht;
The Browns have fancy clothes,
The Blacks have servants—
We do not.

Yet all their kids come here to play,
And find it quite a treat;
And we have interesting friends,
Though we are not elite.

We don't begrudge to anyone
The luxuries they own;
We think some of them envy us,
If but the truth were known.

We've learned to laugh and love and live
With much more joy than fuss;
We're not concerned what others have—
Let them keep up with us!

Anonymous

The School Supply Packets ordered last Spring will be available for pick up.
Tuesday August 19th 11:00- 1:00
and Thursday August 21st 4:00- 6:00
at the Cross Plains Elementary.



LOCAL HORSEMAN OFFERING FREE REINING/COW HORSE TRAINING— George Papandrea is shown riding his champion reining cow horse Skeeto. He is providing a Reining Clinic at Gap Ranch Training Stables, located at 14324 FM 374 in Cross Plains (formerly the Bob Rody place), Saturday, August 9th from 9:00 a.m. until 2 p.m. With 40 years of experience as a horse trainer, George will be sharing his expertise in reining/rein cow horse training. George has been building his barn and stables for 1 1/2 years. It is now ready for business and he is accepting outside horses. Quality horses are also for sale at Gap Ranch Training Stables. You are invited to bring your horse, family and friends and benefit from this FREE CLINIC. Concessions will be provided at the site. Call 254-725-4049 for more information.



MEET THE NEW DOCTOR AT THE LOCAL CLINIC—
Dr. Albert Kincheloe

Dr. Albert Kincheloe Practicing Medicine in His Hometown

By Vanda Anderson
Editor

New benefits at the Cross Plains Community Health Center include WIC and Counseling Services.

A familiar face, that of Albert Kincheloe, D.O., who grew up in Cross Plains and graduated from the local high school, is the new Medical Director for Shackelford Stephens Community Health Center. As of July 23, 2008, he is overseeing three clinics serving Stephens, Callahan and Shackelford counties. Clinics are established in Breckenridge, Albany and Cross Plains, while another one will soon be located in Baird.

Dr. Kincheloe also sees patients two days a week in the Breckenridge and Albany clinics. He will be at the Cross Plains Community Health Center one day each week, every Wednesday from 11 a.m. until 7 p.m. He emphasized the later office hours are to accommodate patients who work and might not be able to come into the clinic until after 5 p.m., or perhaps they are employed out of town. It is his desire that this schedule will become familiar with the community and will prove convenient for patients.

Having a private practice for a span of 24 years in Mansfield, Arlington, West Texas, and Abilene, Kincheloe has extensive experience that will enhance the local clinic.

Dr. Kincheloe expressed his pleasure of serving rural communities. He remarked that he enjoyed the laid back atmosphere. He is eager to meet with residents from his former days in Cross Plains, and making friends with new citizens. "I like to know my patients," Dr. Kincheloe explained.

He is especially interested in promoting preventive medicine to insure good health and extended life for every patient.

Dr. Kincheloe is looking forward to treating residents who suffer from arthritis. He has the capability of giving syfisc injections in the joints, back, neck and trigger points that relieve symptoms of arthritis.

Full scale family practice services are available at the local clinic. Access to medical and dental care, regardless of your ability to pay, are provided. Texas Health Step exams, Texas vaccines for children, lab draw services, women's health, DOT physicals, immigration assistance, and access to mobile digital x-ray are other services available.

One of the goals of the clinic is to provide X-ray equipment in each clinic. The Cross Plains Community Health Center is also anticipating a pharmacy in their facility, which will be limited to clinic patients. Dr. Kincheloe explained that a A Class D Pharmacy License is required for this type of service.

Securing a dentist for a day or two each week locally is another aspiration. Providing a room complete with the proper equipment is an extensive endeavor.

Interviewing Albert was very pleasant. We talked about school days and various individuals he remembered from the past. The late Dr. Carl J. Sohns was one he mentioned. Albert said after completing medical school, he had new found respect for Dr. Sohns and the services he offered in Cross Plains for so many years.

Remember, Dr. Kincheloe will be in the office every Wednesday from 11 a.m. until 7 p.m. if you need medical care.

If you haven't met him, you will like him immediately!

You will have an opportunity to get acquainted with Dr. Kincheloe at the "Meet the New Doctor" reception planned for Friday, August 8th, from 3 to 5 p.m. at the Cross Plains Community Health Clinic on Main Street. Refreshments will be served and everyone is cordially invited.



SERVING THE CROSS PLAINS COMMUNITY HEALTH CENTER— Nannette Keith, L.P.C (Counselor) and Albert Kincheloe, D.O and Medical Director.

Local Clinic Offering Free Services in Celebration of National Health Center Week

The week of August 11th-15th is National Health Center Week, national campaign dedicated to recognizing the service and contributions of America's Community Health Centers.

The Cross Plains Community Health Center is providing various FREE services in celebration of the campaign. Cross Plains citizens are encouraged to take advantage of the Free Services below:

- Aug. 11th - FREE Blood Pressure Checks
- Aug. 12th - FREE Glucose Screening
- Aug. 13th - FREE PSA Blood Testing
- Aug. 14th - FREE Cholesterol Screening
- Aug. 15th - FREE Diabetic Foot Exams.

Please call for an appointment 254-725-4311. Some tests require fasting!

The special focus for this year's National Health Center Week (NHCW) is a new health center plan to create more health care homes in the future for the medically underserved and to honor the health care "heroes" at existing health centers today.

The health care heroes are health center doctors, nurses, pharmacists and other health professionals who have chosen to serve in communities in need, helping to expand the reach of primary care and preventive health services.

The health care heroes at the Cross Plains Community Health

Center work hard every day at providing people in the community a health care home so they can stay healthy and out of hospitals," said, Dr. Albert Kincheloe, Medical Director.

The celebration comes as health centers launch a collective effort to reach the goals of a bold new plan called ACCESS for All America to serve 30 million people by the year 2015.

Right now there are 56 million people—many of them with health insurance—who are struggling without access to basic health care because of a local shortage of primary care doctors, according to the National Association of Community Health Centers. (NACHC).

With the ACCESS plan, health centers, which now serve as the health care home for over 17 million patients nationwide, can nearly double their reach and bridge the widening gap between the demand for primary health care services and available supply.

There are 6,300 health center delivery sites in urban and rural communities in all 50 states and territories. Health centers save the health care system up to \$17.6 billion a year and have drawn top ratings as one of the most highly effective federal programs by the White House Office of Management and Budget. By doubling the number of patients served as projected in the ACCESS plan, health centers can generate savings as high as \$40.7 billion in the next 8 years.

SUMMER BAND Begins Monday, August 11th

Attention Band Member:

The summer has flown by once again, and I hope each of you had a great time and got alot of rest. On August 11, 2008 summer band will begin. We will go from August 11th through 15th, and then the 18th through the 22nd. This year I want to begin doing things a little different. This year I want to start by working in just sectionals. The first week (August 11th - 15th), you will practice with people that play the same instrument as you do. We will be in the band hall working on playing technique to improve our overall sound. (Please see the bottom of the page for your rehearsal times.)

During the second week, of summer, (August 18th - 22nd), we will all practice together. We will start marching and preparing the half-time show for on Friday night performances. It is imperative that you don't miss any rehearsals, because you don't want to get behind. During this week of rehearsal we will also have a clinician coming from Llano to help out. We will rehearse from 5 p.m. until 9 p.m. If you plan on going with the band on the spring trip, you must attend summer band. I will keep a record of attendance. If you have any conflicts please let me know now. You can reach me on my cell phone at 325-669-0569. **Any rehearsal missed will have to be made up!!!**

(If you have any questions, please call me!!!)

Sincerely,
Matthew Sowell

- August 11th - 15th: (Everyday)**
Flutes- 8:00 am- 10:00 am
Clarinets and Saxophones- 10:00 am - 12:00 noon
Low Brass and Low Woodwinds- 1:00 pm- 3:00 pm
Trumpets - 3:00 pm - 5 pm
Drums - 5:00 pm - 7 pm

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CHURCH DIRECTORY

CORNERSTONE BIBLE CHURCH

832 Ave. E Cross Plains, TX

Pastor: Sunday Morning Bible Study ...10:00 AM
Walter Pope Morning Worship.....11:00 AM
 Evening Worship.....6:00 PM
 Wednesday Night Bible Study...6:00 PM



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Matt McGowen, Pastor (254) 725-4599

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For Information

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Pioneer Baptist Church

Pastor: Sunday School...10:00 am
Rufus Wilson Sunday Morning Worship...11:00 am
 254-725-4589 Sunday Evening Worship...6:00 p.m.
 Wednesday Prayer Service...7:00 p.m.

Music Director: Barbara Jo Medley 254-725-4589

Living Water Ministries Fellowship

Restoring And Equipping The Saints

Sunday...10:00 am Wednesday...7:00 pm

Pastor Max Evans

For Information Call (254) 725-7418

Rowden Baptist Church

Pastor: Wayne Lenz

Music: Karen Lenz & Diane Woods

Bible Study...10:00 am

Sunday Morning Worship...11:00 am

2990 Highway 36 at Rowden 12 Miles West of Cross Plains

GOSPEL MISSION

716 1st Street Full Gospel

Sunday Morning Worship Sunday Evening Worship
 10:00 a.m. 6:00 p.m.

Michael Ingram, Pastor Sam Fleming, Pastor



Pray For Rain

OBITUARIES

Orean 'BonBon' Leslie Peevy

Orean Leslie Peevy was born April 4, 1926, in Cottonwood, Texas. He passed away June 16, 2008. Services were held at 2 p.m. June 20, 2008, at North Santiam Church of Christ.

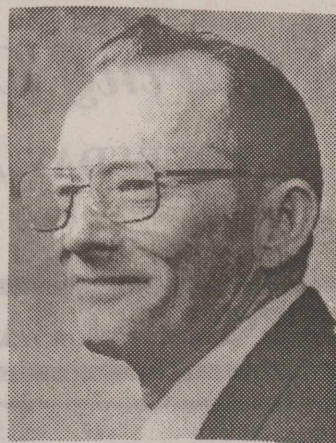
He grew up in Texas. After graduating from high school, he served in the U.S. Army during World War II. He served at Fort Sill, Oklahoma with the Truck Battalion Field Artillery School troops. After Orean's honorable discharge from the Army, he married Barbara Allen and they had two children.

On June 21, 1954, Orean married Ruby Chamblee, they had three children. In 1974 the family moved to Oregon.

Orean farmed, worked in the oil fields of Texas, and drove trucks. He retired from Cummings Transfer out of Albany more than 15 years ago as a driver.

He enjoyed traveling with his wife, Ruby, to Texas as snowbirds, riding horses, camping in Eastern Oregon, boating, traveling with the grandchildren and he loved family outings.

Survivors include his wife, Ruby; children, Cheryl Hill of Fillmore, California, Judy Looney of Odessa, Sarena Peevy of Stayton, Greg Peevy of Stayton and Gary Peevy of Meridian, Idaho; brother, Robert Tyson Peevy; 13 grandchildren, 20 great-grandchildren; and 2 great-great-grandchildren.



Loys Edward "L.E." Davidson

Loys Edward "L.E." Davidson died Tuesday, July 29, 2008, at an Abilene medical center.

Born in Cross Plains, Texas, on October 18, 1929, L.E. was the son of Jackie Louise (Lane) and Loys Herbert Davidson. After graduating from Cross Plains High School, he served in the U.S. Army 1949-1951. In 1951, he moved to Abilene, where he married Maria Angela Olvera on June 9, 1962. L.E. retired in 1985 as a service engineer after working for Dow Chemical for 35 years. He was a Baptist.

His parents and one grandson, Landon Davidson, preceded him in death.

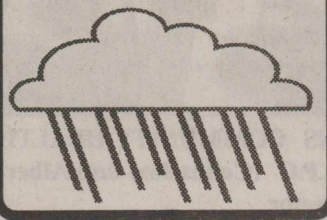
Survivors include his wife, Maria Angela Davidson of Abilene; son, John L. Davidson of Abilene; grandchildren, Jenny Malloy and husband, Michael, of Navarre, Florida, Jill Holden and husband, Joshua, of Lubbock, Jaime Davidson of Abilene, Danielle Davidson of Denison, and Landra Davidson, John Allen Davidson, and Season Davidson, all of Clyde; and great-grandchildren, Ashlee, Kaleigh, Abigail, Julia, Karley and Landon.

Funeral services were held at 10 a.m. Saturday at Elliott-Hamil Funeral Home Chapel of Faith, 5701 Hwy 277 South, Abilene, with Dr. Toby Henson officiating. Burial was in Elmwood Memorial Park.

Pallbearers were Joshua Holden, Michael Malloy, John Strople, John Allen Davidson, Jason Olvera and Julian Alvarez.

Memorials may be made to Meals on Wheels Plus, Inc., P.O. Box 903, Abilene, TX 79604.

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COURTHOUSE NEWS

COUNTY COURTHOUSE Roger Corn, Presiding

Misdemeanor Filings

Curtis A. Grant, driving while intoxicated (DWI).
 Jonathan Girtz, no driver's license.
 Benford E. Bullard, phone harassment.
 Joni A. Carman, DWI.
 Marco A. Ortiz, criminal mischief.
 Christopher N. Yates, theft.
 Teddy L. Robinette, possession of marijuana.
 Keith W. Watts, possession of marijuana.

Misdemeanor Minutes

Harold Chaine Brown, motion and affidavit of surety for warrant.

Marriage Licenses

Robert B. Tollett of Baird and Amanda K. Alexander of Eastland.

42nd DISTRICT COURT John Weeks, presiding

Civil Filings

Ashlee Diane Mathews and George Ray Mathews, divorce.
 Ashley June Wilkinson and Joshua Michael Wilkinson, divorce.

Keith D. Edwards and Tammye S. Edwards, divorce granted.

Chester B. Fikes and Roma Fikes, divorce granted.

First National Bank of Baird vs. Fernando V. Ibarra and Linda Ibarra, agreed order of dismissal with prejudice granted.

Jennifer Anna Smith and Cody Shane Smith, divorce granted.

Julie Ann Cortez and Lawrence Fred Cortez, order granting nonsuit.

CACV of Colorado, LLC vs. Robyn M. Conley, judgment granted, plaintiff to recover the sum of \$5,946.70 from defendant.

State of Texas vs. Lande Allison, bond reduction.
 State of Texas vs. Jacob Jones, bond reduction.

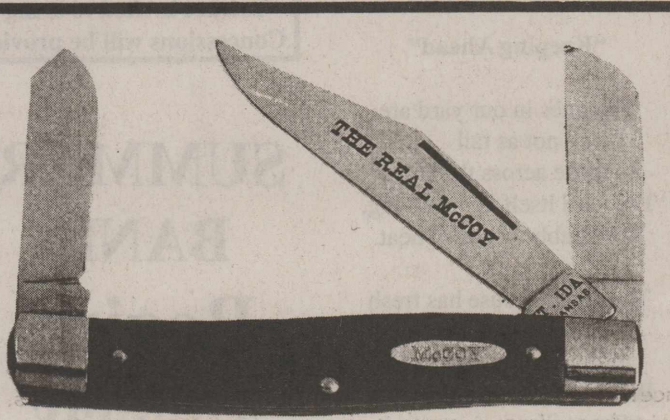
Civil Minutes

Justin Cannon and Sherilyn M. Cannon, divorce granted.

James David Simmons vs. Daniel Ray Redfern and Mastertrans Transportation, Inc., judgment, plaintiff to recover nothing from defendant.

Shayna Marae Galinak and Jonathan Roy Galinak, divorce granted.

Mindy Michelle Cook and Clifford Lee Cook, divorce granted.



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10:45 am

Sunday

Evening Worship

6:30 pm

Wednesday

6:30 pm Prayer/Worship

Youth Bible Study "The Show" 6:30 pm

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

COTTONWOOD NEWS

BY WALLACE BENNETT

Fire Control Unit Changes Meetings

The Cottonwood Fire Control Unit has changed its monthly meeting to the third (3rd) Thursday night in each month. The next session will be August 21, 2008, at 6:00 p.m.

The Unit is engaged in work on the Forest Service truck to get it repaired and useful for service. Your help is needed.

Everyone in the Cottonwood Valley is not only invited but urged to attend. Remember this, very often the first responder to emergencies in Cottonwood Valley is the Cottonwood Fire Control Unit. **It may be the one that saves the day for your family and your property, so please be there or make a donation.**

A flyer will be mailed to you this week explaining details of the Fire Control Unit. You can make a donation to the Cottonwood Fire Unit by contacting Diane Smith at 254-725-6164, or mail it her at 13996 CR 461, Cross Plains, Texas, 76443.

Cottonwood Literary Scene

An old book is like a good old friend. They are both hard to put down. And I have many of both.

I am a collector of old books. Not a very good one, because there is no rhyme or reason to my collecting, or any definite organized pattern to my collecting. I just collect them, and I like to read them. Most of my old books are down at the barn, themselves a collector of dust and grime from by gone wind, rain and dust storms. So, every once in a while a dilapidated, falling apart, and falling apart back-end of a book will attract my attention and I will pick it up, just to see what it is all about.

I picked up one the other day, "Poetry of the Victorian period," selected and edited with critical notes, brief biographies, and bibliographies by George Benjamin Woods, Dean and Professor of English at the American University.

What is also interesting, to me, is that the book belongs to a William P. Trobaugh, who was an Army Chaplain friend we knew when Carol and I, and what ever children we had at the time, were stationed in Baumholder, Germany.

Another interesting note, written very lightly and in pencil

under Chaplain Trobaugh's name is "7-P" and "2-P."

I am sure that is referring to pages of the book, so I looked there. Page vii (7) is the Table of Contents with the name Alfred Lord Tennyson checked off, again, lightly and in pencil. Then again in pencil a check mark by the poem, "The Charge of the Light Brigade."

I won't repeat the poem here, but the "Charge of the Light Brigade," so the critical notes at the end of the poem, according to the author, took place in 1854 at Balaklava near the Black Sea during the Crimean War fought against Russia by England, France, Turkey, and Sardinia.

Now just what the bond between Chaplain Trobaugh and myself was that took in consideration of "The Charge of the Light Brigade" was, I do not know, but it was compelling enough so that I borrowed (and now, stolen, I confess) is this book and I received some delight in reading it. And the pleasant memories it brought forth of Chaplain and Mrs. (Alma) Trobaugh is important. I just think I will keep this book. That's 30 for today.

LIBRARY NOTES

July 28 - August 1, 2008

Patrons:	183
Summer Reading Program:	53
Other Programs:	9
Books Checked Out:	166
Copies:	119
Reference:	8
Internet Users:	93
Interlibrary Loans:	4

Book Donations:
D.P. and May Jones
Bonnie Scott
Curt and Ginny Hoskins

Donations:
Randall Reese

Volunteers:
Valerie McGuire
Sue Bennett
Megan France
Kathleen Terstegge
Ginny Hoskins
Michele Kaiser
Azalee Womack
Arlene Stephenson
Judy Killgo
Ann Beeler

First Cancer Benefit Meeting Held August 1st

The first meeting to plan the 2008 Cancer Benefit was held Friday, August 1st. The Cross Plains Relay for Life and Memory Walk Benefit is held yearly to raise funds for local cancer patients.

All organizations are encouraged to participate as they have in the past. If you had a booth space in the past and would like to participate this year, please contact Cindy Payne or Dannes Turner.

Any new booths are welcome with the proceeds being donated to the local fund.

Walking teams from families, organizations and businesses are encouraged to join the event, also.

The illuminaries will be the highlight of the Memory Walk. Melissa Richards will be heading up this project.

The next meeting will be held Tuesday, August 19th, at 7:00 p.m. in the Texas Heritage Bank Meeting Room. Everyone who would like to assist with this worthy cause is cordially invited to attend.

Host Families Still Needed for Thirty-nine FOREIGN EXCHANGE STUDENTS

Host Families are still needed to host international exchange students! The SHARE! High School Exchange Program still has over 39 exchange students, mostly boys, who are awaiting placement with a host family.

The students in need of host families come from CHINA, ITALY, SWEDEN, THAILAND, GERMANY, MEXICO, JAPAN, CZECH REPUBLIC, BRAZIL, SOUTH KOREA, SLOVAKIA, NORWAY, DENMARK, SPAIN, FRANCE and ECUADOR.

They are in need of families (with or without children) to provide a home and share with them this experience. The students are between 15 and 18 years of age, speak English, have their own spending money, and are carefully selected.

Host families provide a bed, meals, and a caring environment.

For more information, please call Yvette Coffman at the SHARE! Southwest Regional Office at 1-800-941-3738 or visit www.share southwest.org.

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Helping Hearts and Hands Need Applicants Deadline the End of September

Is your home in need of minor repairs: painting, plumbing, insulation, and caulking? The Cross Plains Area Housing Initiative would like to extend a hand to assist you in the help you might need. Free assistance is available to homeowners who are elderly, handicapped and/or very low income. Applications are available now at the Senior Citizens Center, Texas Heritage Bank, and City Hall. The application deadline will be at the end of September and if you need any assistance in filling out the

application please call Pat Stephens at 254-725-6819. This is a worthwhile community project that has been in action since 1998. Volunteers will be needed once again to complete these projects, so be looking for a date to be set in the fall of this year. We are excited and looking forward to this year's endeavor. If you have any questions or would like information, please contact Roxie Thomas at 254-725-6141 or Pat Stephens at 254-725-6819. 21-4c

Vacation Bible School at New Methodist Church

The United Methodist Church invites all children to ride the wave of God's love at their summer Vacation Bible School Beach Party: Surfin' Through the Scriptures. The fun begins Friday night, August 15, 5:30 - 7:30 p.m. and continues on Saturday, August 16, 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall of the newly completed facility on North Main Street.

Children who have completed Pre-K up through the 6th grade are warmly invited to join the fun. Please understand that the staff and facility are not equipped to provide a program for those children who have not attended

Pre-K at this time.

This program is a celebration of God's love and a chance for children to learn new Beach Be-Attitudes about kindness and forgiveness. The time will be filled with making their own special memories in Beach-comber Crafts, singing fun tunes at Sound Waves, experiencing science activities at the Surf'n'Sand Science Lab, participating in recreational activities at Rockin'Rec, and enjoying tasty snacks at the Snack Shack.

For more information, please call 725-4993.

Fuel economy tips for driving comfort and increasing gasoline mileage

Like you, we're basically astounded at how much a gallon of gasoline costs these days. The days of 99-cent unleaded suddenly seem as long ago as those of 25-cent hi-test and drive-in movies. Or, come to think of it, \$1.50 premium and VHS tapes.

With gas prices higher than ever, fuel economy has become a very hot topic, and everyone is looking for a way to squeeze the most miles out of every fill-up. For every common-sense solution you hear, there seems to be two amazing, stupendous wonder products that claim to produce miraculous mileage figures. We've heard from a number of customers who are looking for something like that and, honestly, we don't blame them - we'd love to find (or, better still, patent) a 100-mpg wonder-widget, too.

But we haven't seen anything yet, so while we can't help your seven-passenger SUV achieve econobox-like mileage numbers, we can offer a few tips to help you squeeze more miles out of every gallon. Give them a try and we bet you'll see a difference. As it turns out, the most amazing fuel economy enhancer ever made is probably holding the steering wheel during your morning commute!

Fuel Economy Tips

Tip: Use the fuel recommended by your owner's manual. Some people think they're doing their car a favor by upgrading to mid-grade or premium. Not necessarily. A quick check of the manual will tell you the type of gasoline that's right for your car. Some require higher-octane gas, but for many cars, regular unleaded is just fine.

Tip: Check your tires. Properly-inflated tires are important for safe driving, but they're also

a big part of efficient driving. Under-inflated tires need more energy to roll, which wastes fuel and makes the tires wear faster. Having a good tire pressure gauge

<<http://www.drivingcomfort.com/index.cfm?fa=s&keywords=tire+gauge>> makes it easy to be safe an improve your fuel economy and tire wear

Tip: Use the correct grade of motor oil. Your owner's manual will tell you which type is best for your car. Also remember to look for oil labeled "Energy Conserving" on the API performance symbol.

Tip: Replace dirty air filters. A clogged air filter can reduce your gas mileage, so make sure it's checked during your next oil change. A new filter will save fuel and keep impurities from damaging your engine.

Tip: Engine maintenance is essential. If your engine is poorly maintained, your gas mileage will drop dramatically. Follow the recommended maintenance schedule in your owner's manual and have your vehicle checked out if you detect any unusual sounds, smells or vibrations.

Tip: Lighten your load. Extra weight requires extra fuel, so if there's anything in your trunk or cargo area that you don't need, take it out and store it in your garage or basement. Our helpful garage organizers <<http://www.drivingcomfort.com/index.cfm?fa=p&pid=2075>> give you maximum storage without taking up floor space.

Tip: Be efficient with a warm engine. A cold engine (one that hasn't been started for many hours) is less fuel-efficient than a warm one. Your engine warms up faster while driving than while sitting and "warming up," so don't let your vehicle sit at idle

for more than 30 seconds. Start it up, drive it, then shut it off between errands to conserve fuel. Also, try to combine as many errands as possible into one trip.

Tip: Don't run the air conditioning unless you really need it. Using the A/C robs power from the engine and uses additional fuel. On cooler spring and fall days, open the windows and experiment with the vent and fan settings during short trips. At highway speeds, however, an open window adds drag and harms fuel economy. If you're taking the highway on a hot afternoon, use the AC.

Tip: Reduce aerodynamic drag. Unused ski racks, bike racks and cartop carriers create added wind resistance, which makes your vehicle's engine work harder. If you're not using them, remove them.

Tip: Watch your speed. Your vehicle's fuel efficiency decreases rapidly at speeds above 60 mph. Once you're up to speed, maintain a steady pace in top gear and use cruise control. Keeping your vehicle at a steady speed is a great way to stay safe and save gas.

Tip: Use overdrive gears on the highway. Overdrive gears reduce engine speed, saving fuel and reducing engine wear.

Tip: Relax! Aggressive driving — speeding, rapid acceleration, hard braking — are sure ways to reduce your gas mileage. Driving smoothly and steadily saves fuel and also extends the life of your engine, transmission, brakes and tires.

Tip: Shop around. Most gas stations carry the same quality fuel, so as long as you're already on the road, keep an eye out for the lowest price. You can also check online for sites that monitor gas prices in your area.

BREAKTHRU

By Bob Pipes
Cross Plains Church of Christ
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A company who makes "light cheese wedges" advertised them with this statement: "Indulgence has a light side." While that may be true for those who care to indulge in tasty dainties like cheese wedges, indulgence does not have a "lighter side" in regard to a lot of other things...

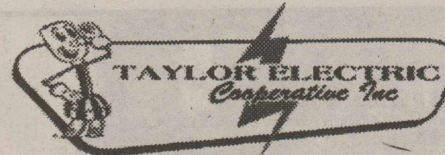
Indulging in idolatry, fornication, drunkenness, lying, stealing - and the list goes on and on - does not have a "light side." A one-time practice of any of these is very displeasing to God, and to others who may be affected by them. There is no such thing as a "little" (light) sin or "lighter side" to sin. So make sure that if you plan to indulge in the "lighter side" of something that it's "cheese wedges" (or the like), not Satan's little offerings...

I encourage you to share in the times of Bible study and worship with us as we strive to "sign our lives with the excellence of God." Sunday Morning Bible Class...9:45a.m. Sunday Evening Worship...6:00p.m. Sunday Morning Worship...10:45a.m. Wed. Evening Bible Study...7:00p.m. Friends & Neighbors Caring In Jesus

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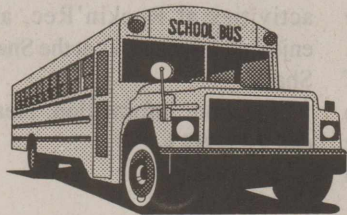
- 2 Glue Sticks 0.77 oz.
- 1 Pr. Scissors - 5" Blunt
- 3 Boxes Tissue (120 ct)
- 2 Crayons 24 ct. (small)
- 1 Folder - Plastic Pocket Only Yellow
- 1 Can Playdough

KINDERGARTEN

- 1 School Glue - 7oz.
- 1 Pr. Scissors - 5" Blunt
- 1 Large Plastic School Box
- 3 Tissue - 120 ct.
- 2 Box Crayons - 24 ct.
- 1 Box Crayon - Small 8 ct.
- 1 Markers - Thick Classic 10 ct.
- 1 Markers - Thin Classic Washable
- 3 Folders - Purple Plastic Pocket Only
- 1 Folder - Red Pocket and Brad
- 4 #2 Pencils
- 1 Watercolors - 8 Washable
- 1 White Board Marker - Green Fine Tip
- 1 Dry Erase White Board - 12" X 9"
- 1 Vinyl Binder - 1" Hardback
- 1 Box Reclosable Bags - Quart Size
- 1 Vinyl Binder - 1" Hardback
- 1 Wet Ones - 40 CT.

FIRST GRADE

- 1 School Glue - 4 oz.
- 1 Scissors - 5" Sharp
- 2 Plastic School box
- 3 Tissue - 120 ct.
- 1 Crayons - 24 ct.
- 1 Markers - 8 ct. Classic Wedge Tip
- 12 #2 Pencils
- 1 Watercolors - 8 Color Washable
- 2 Pink Bevel Erasers
- 2 Crayons - 8 ct. Twistable
- 1 Spiral Comp Book - 70 ct Wide Ruled



SECOND GRADE

- 4 Large Glue Sticks
- 1 Plastic School Box
- 2 Tissue - 100 ct.
- 2 Boxes Crayons - 24 ct.
- 1 Folder - Blue Plastic w/Pocket
- 1 Folder - Red Plastic w/Pocket
- 1 Folder - Yellow Plastic w/Pocket
- 24 #2 Pencils
- 2 Pink Bevel Erasers
- 1 Paper - 200 ct. Wide Rule
- 1 8oz. Waterless Hand Sanitizer Bottle w/Pump
- 1 Spiral Comp Book 100 ct. Wide Rule

THIRD GRADE

- 1 School Glue - 7 5/8 oz.
- 1 Scissors - 5" Sharp
- 3 Tissue - 120 ct.
- 1 Box Crayons - 48 ct.
- 1 Folder - Orange Pocket and Brad
- 1 Folder - Yellow Pocket and Brad
- 1 Folder - Purple Pocket and Brad
- 1 Folder - Red Plastic Pocket
- 1 Folder - Green Pocket Only
- 24 #2 Pencils
- 3 Pink Bevel Erasers
- 1 Paper - 200 ct. Wide Rule
- 4 Pens - Red Medium
- 1 Ruler - 1/16" Wood w/Standard and Metric
- 1 Pencils - 7" Colored 8 ct.
- 3 Spiral Comp. Book - 100 ct. Wide Rule
- 1 Spiral Comp Book Wide Rule 70ct.

FOURTH GRADE

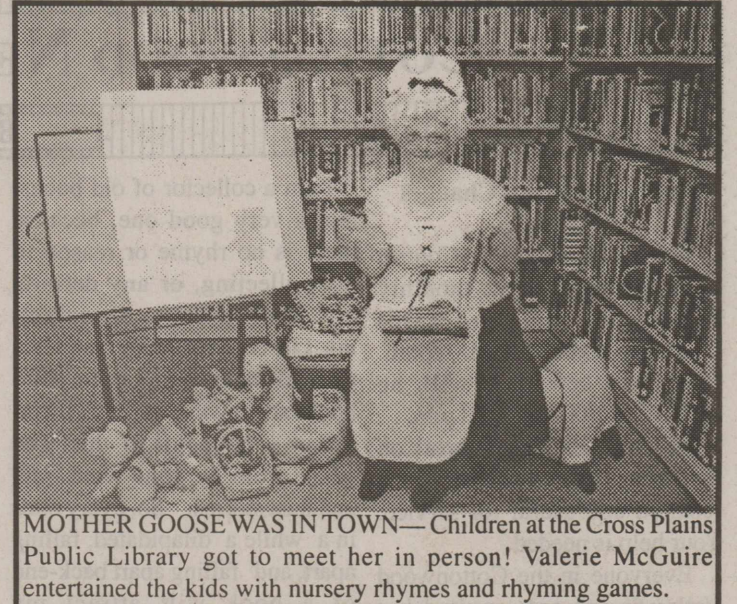
- 1 School Glue - 4 oz.
- 1 Scissors - 5" Blunt
- 1 Box Crayons - 24 ct.
- 1 Folder - Green Pocket Only
- 1 Folder - Yellow Pocket and Brad
- 1 Folder - Purple Plastic Pocket
- 1 Folder - Red Pocket and Brad
- 1 Pencil Bag
- 36 #2 Pencils
- 2 Pink Bevel Erasers
- 3 Paper - 200 ct. Wide Rule
- 12 Pens - Red Medium
- 1 Ruler 1/16" Plastic 12" w/Standard and Metric
- 1 Pencils - 7" Colored (12 ct.)
- 1 Spiral Cop Book - 120 ct 3 Subject Wide Rule
- 3 Spiral Comp. Book - 100 ct. Wide Rule
- 2 Dividers - 5 Tab w/ Pockets
- 1 Poly Binder - Yellow Heavy 1 1/2"
- 1 Poly Binder - 1" Blue Flexible
- 3 Tissue - 120 Ct.
- 2 Pencil Sharpeners
- 1 Dry Erase Marker Black

FIFTH GRADE

- 1 School Glue - 7 5/8 oz.
- 1 Scissors - 5" Sharp
- 1 Plastic School Box - Large
- 2 Tissue - 160 ct.
- 1 Crayons - 24 ct.
- 1 Pencil Bag - 10.5 X 5.5
- 1 Pencil Sharpener - w/Receptacle
- 6 #2 Pencils
- 1 Pink Bevel Eraser
- 3 Paper - 200 ct. Wide Rule
- 4 Red Check Pencil w/Eraser
- 1 Ruler - 1/16" Wood w/Standard and Metric
- 1 Pencils - 7" Colored (12 ct)
- 1 Spiral Comp. Book - 100 ct. Wide Rule
- 1 Spiral Comp. Book - 120 ct. 3 Subject Wide Rule
- 1 Dividers - 5 Tab/5 Pocket Index
- 1 Poly Binder - 1" Blue Flexible
- 2 Index Cards Ruled 3 X 5 100 ct
- 2 Red Folders Pocket Only
- 1 Protractor 6" Clear
- 1 Poly Binder - 1" Yellow Flexible

SIXTH GRADE

- 1 School Glue - 7 5/8 oz.
- 1 Scissors - 5" Sharp
- 1 Crayons - 24 ct.
- 1 Pencil Bag - 10.5 X 5.5
- 1 Pencil Sharpener - w/Receptacle
- 4 #2 Pencils
- 1 Pink Bevel Eraser
- 2 Paper - 200 ct. Wide Rule
- 2 Red Pen - Clear Barrel
- 1 Ruler - 1/16" Wood w/Standard and Metric
- 1 Pencils - 4" Colored (12 ct.)
- 2 Spiral Comp. Book - 100 ct. Wide Rule
- 1 Dividers - 5 Tab/ 5 Pockets
- 1 Poly Binder - 1" Yellow Flexible
- 1 Poly Binder - 1" Blue Flexible
- 1 Pkg. Colored Markers Thick (8 Ct.)
- 1 Plastic School Box
- 3 Folders Green Pocket Only
- 2 Index Cards 3 X 5 Ruled
- 1 Protractor 6" Clear
- 1 Spiral Comp Book 120 ct 3 Subject Wide Rule



MOTHER GOOSE WAS IN TOWN— Children at the Cross Plains Public Library got to meet her in person! Valerie McGuire entertained the kids with nursery rhymes and rhyming games.

WILD Wednesdays Continue

Mother Goose came to visit last week for the Cross Plains Public Library Summer Reading Program. Valerie McGuire, of Cherokee, Texas, also known as Mother Goose, delighted 38 children attending with her creative and authentic attire, from her bonnet down to her shoes. Mother Goose brought with her a collection of stuffed animals that can be found in her famous nursery rhymes. After using her fairy dust to make time stand still, she took them into Mother Goose land for an adventure through many legendary stories and well-known rhymes. The children were also entertained with rhyming games.

This week Helen Parson talked to the summer readers about stamp collecting, and they were treated to a field trip through the Cross Plains Post Office. Next week will be the last program for the summer. Frances Thornton will be presenting a program on photography. This will also be the last day to turn in reading logs. To be eligible for special prizes and passes to the Grace Museum, Frontier Texas and the Abilene Zoo, children must have read 300 minutes this summer. Readers who have already met this requirement have received a certificate from the State Library, a cowboy bandana, and have had their picture taken and place on an honor board in the library.

Immunization Clinic Dates

Texas Department of State Health Services will hold Immunization Clinics in Callahan County as follows:

Monday, August 11
Baird Cafetorium
400 West 7th
10 a.m. - 12 noon

Cross Plains Housing Authority
233 North Main
Cross Plains
2 p.m. - 4 p.m.

Wednesday, August 13
Clyde First Baptist Church
216 Austin

10 a.m. - 12 noon
and
1:30 p.m. - 3 p.m.

Please bring your child's immunization records. If your child has Medicaid or CHIP, please bring their card.

For more information call 325-754-4945.

Coast to Coast Baseball Tryouts

Coast to Coast Baseball would like to invite local players (ages 10-18) to one of our upcoming tryout events. At the tryout, our staff will evaluate your skills in four areas; hitting, fielding, arm strength and speed. Players who are accepted may choose to represent the USA in competition in Puerto Rico, or work with top college coaches and pro scouts at one of Florida Camp and Showcase events held at a MLB spring-training complex.

In addition to the tryouts, a three-hour hitting camp will be held the same day. The goal is to help players improve hitting fundamentals as well as their mental approach at the plate.

Events will be held at: Spring Westfield HS, Spring Saturday, August 16, begins at 10 a.m.

Temple College, Temple Saturday, September 13 - 10 a.m.
University of the Incarnate Word - San Antonio Saturday, October 11 - 10 a.m.
University of Dallas @ Irving University, August 23 - 10 a.m.
Abilene High School - Abilene Saturday, September 27 - 10 a.m.

For more information or to register for one or both events on our website or by calling our office

www.CoastToCoastAthletics.com
Phone 740-373-4455.
Tryout cost - \$25.00; Hitting Camp \$50.00 or attend both events \$65.00. Payment is not necessary to pre-register online. Payment must be made in cash the day of the event.

C.P.I.S.D. SCHOOL BOARD CALLED MEETINGS

A called meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Cross Plains I.S.D. will be held on August 14, 2008, beginning at 6:00 p.m. in the high school administrative board room. The subjects to be discussed or considered or upon which any formal action may be taken are as follows:

1. Open Meeting
2. Budget Workshop
3. Adjourn

This notice was posted in compliance with the Open Meetings Act on August 4, 2008 at 10 a.m. by Jackie Tension, for the Board of Trustees.

A called meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Cross Plains I.S.D. will be held on August 26th, beginning at 6:00 p.m. in the high school administrative board room. The subjects to be discussed or considered or upon which any formal action may be taken are as follows:

1. Public Hearing on Budget and Proposed Tax Rate

This notices was posted in compliance with the Open Meetings Act on August 6, 2008 at 10 a.m. by Jackie Tension, for the Board of Trustees.

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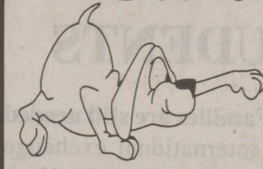
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Back-to-school tax-free weekend begins August 15th

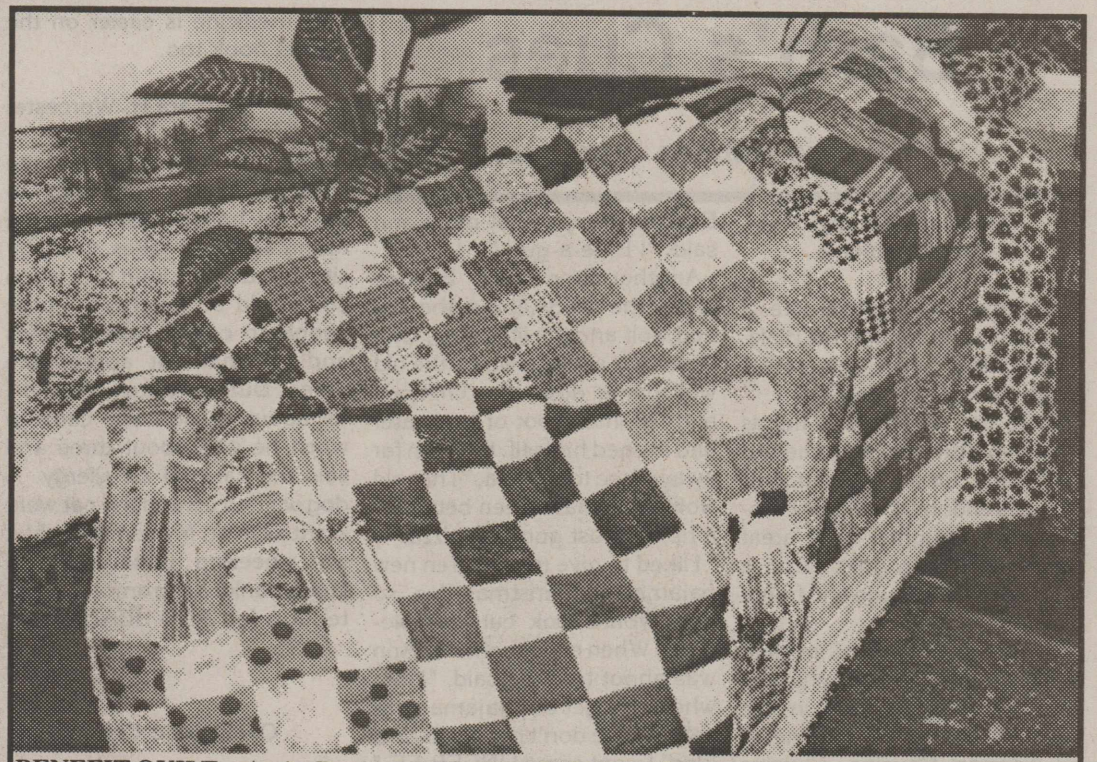
AUSTIN, Texas—In what has become a Texas tradition for visitors to the Lone Star State, Texas' annual tax-free weekend is scheduled for August 15-17, 2008. During tax-free weekend, the State of Texas grants shoppers a break from state and local sales tax, allowing lower prices on back-to-school shopping.

The savings begin at 12:01 a.m., Friday, August 15th, and end at midnight on Sunday, August 17th. Savings apply to individual clothing items costing less than \$100, including athletic shoes, hiking boots, dresses, shirts, jeans, pajamas, sports jerseys, and school uniforms. Shoppers can save approximately \$8 for every \$100 spent. Layaway plans can be used again this year to take advantage of the sales tax holiday. Baby clothes, back-packs for use by elementary and secondary students, belts with attached buckles, Boots - cowboy, hiking, Caps/hats - baseball, fishing, golf, knitted; Coats and wraps, Diapers adult and baby; Dresses, Gloves (generally), Gym suits and uniforms, Hooded shirts and hooded sweatshirts, Hosiery, Jackets, Jeans, Jerseys - baseball and football, Jogging apparel, Neckwear and ties, Pajamas, Pants and trousers, Raincoats and ponchos, Robes, Shirts, Shoes - sandals, slippers, sneakers, tennis, walking, Socks (including athletic), Shorts, Suits, slacks, and jackets, Sweatshirts, Sweat suits, Sweaters, Swimsuits, Underclothes, Work clothes and uniforms.

Some of the items which will be taxed are accessories (generally) - barrettes, elastic ponytail holders, wallets, watches, Backpacks - unless for use by elementary and secondary students, Baseball cleats and pants, Belt buckles (without belt), Boots - climbing, fishing, rubber work boots, ski, waders, Buttons and zippers, Cloth and lace, knitting yarns, and other fabrics, Dry cleaning services, Football pants, Golf gloves, Handbags and purses, Handkerchiefs, Hard hats, Helmets - bike, baseball, football, hockey, motorcycle, sports, Ice skates, Jewelry, Laundering services, Leather goods - except belts with buckles and wearing apparel, Pads - football, hockey, soccer, elbow, knee, shoulder, Personal flotation devices, Rented clothing (including uniforms, formal wear, and costumes), Roller blades and skates, Safety clothing, glasses, Shoes, bicycle (cleated), bowling, and golf.

"Tax-free weekend is an opportunity for Texans and visitors alike to experience significant savings," said Julie Chase, Chief Marketing Officer, Office of the Governor, Economic Development & Tourism. "In addition to the excellent shopping opportunities, travelers can take advantage of the weekend by treating their families to fun-filled activities that our Texas cities offer - from rivers and dude ranches to theme parks and museums." Attractions and hotels across the state are also offering special deals this summer to help visitors offset the cost of gas. Specials range from free hotel nights to discounts on admissions in such cities as Houston, San Antonio, Corpus Christi, Austin and the Dallas/Fort Worth Metroplex. For more information on travel discounts in Texas this summer, visit <http://www.TravelTex.com> and click on Travel Packages. And for a complete list of tax-free items available during Tax-free Weekend, August 15th-17th, visit http://www.window.state.tx.us/taxinfo/taxpubs/tx98_490/tx98_490.html.

Tourism is one of the largest industries in Texas, employing 521,000 Texans. In 2006, travelers spent almost \$54 billion in Texas. Travel expenditures generated \$2.7 billion in state taxes and \$930 million in local taxes. For more information on Texas travel events and vacation destinations, visit www.TravelTex.com or for a free Texas State Travel Guide call 1-800-8888-TEX.



BENEFIT QUILT—Assist David and Denese (Whiteley) Watts by purchasing a ticket for \$1 or 6 tickets for \$5 at Connie's Cuts & Curls or donate to the Love Fund at Texas Heritage Bank.

Callahan County Shooting Sports Archery Fundraiser set for Saturday, August 16th

The Callahan County 4-H Shooting Sports will be hosting an "Open Shoot 3-D Archery Match" at the Callahan County Shooting Range located on FM 18 between Clyde and Baird on Saturday, August 16th.

The Open Shoot has been organized to help offset medical expenses for Roger Smith of Graham. Smith is a 4-H director of Texas Shooting Sports and advisor to Callahan County. Smith was seriously injured following the State Shooting Sports games. He lost some items from the roof of his vehicle and was struck by another moving vehicle as he tried to retrieve them. Smith is in critical condition in a San Antonio

hospital. In order to help his family the Callahan County 4-H will be hosting this open event to help raise funds for Smith's expenses.

Entry fee for the Open Shoot will be \$25.00 and on site registration will be available the day of the meet. The Shoot is open to both youth and adults.

Targets will be 3-D targets with unmarked distances as follows: (Ages will be determined by age as of August 31, 2007.) Juniors ages 9 (or 8 and third grade) & 10 years—1 to 30 yards; Intermediates ages 11 to 13 years of age, 1 to 50 yards; Seniors 14 to 18 years of age, 1 to 60 yards and adults

ages 19 and over, distances are unknown.

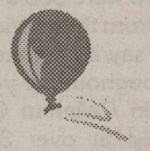
Awards of 1st through 3rd places will be given in each age group and the current 4-H archery rules will apply.

Equipment: Barebow- Recurve or Long Bow; (no sighting devices or releases); Recurve: with sighting device, but no release aids; Compound: (no sights or releases); Compound-Aided: (with sights and/or releases).

Time: will be 2 minutes per target for lost arrows.

"Open Shoot Archery Match" supervisors are Larry McIntire-Callahan County 325-280-1824.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY



AUGUST 9

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Joshua Brooks Crawford
Canda Andrews
Ned Clark
Randy Griswold

AUGUST 14

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George Shewmaker
Allison McGowen

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Kati Wooten
Junior Brown
Naomi Isbell
Nici Higginbottom
Jim Freeman
Debbie Tyler Reed
Clayton Lee Thomas
Billy Don Bell
Robert McCorkle
Melody Walker
Clay Duncan

AUGUST 11

Savana Wyatt
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Marie Baugh Branham
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Lance Wilson
Tracie Stephens

AUGUST 15

Connie Jean Potter
Jeanie Marie Glenn
Bill Souther
Alma Gossett
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\$2.4 Million Awarded to Auto Credit Insurance Policyholders

AUSTIN - Attorney General Greg Abbott today reached a settlement with an automobile credit insurance company that unlawfully withheld insurance premiums from more than 12,000 Texans who paid off their vehicle loans early. With today's agreement, the Office of the Attorney General has now settled with eight out of the nine auto credit insurance companies it has investigated for similar practices.

Under the terms of today's settlement, Universal Underwriters Life Insurance Co. agreed to refund insurance premiums worth \$2.4 million to Texas policyholders whose loans terminated between 2002 and 2006. The company also will pay \$125,000 in attorneys' fees to the state.

Texas Attorney General's court-filed agreement with Universal Underwriters Life Insurance Co.

The Overland Park, Kan., company sold policies that were intended to cover vehicle payments in the event the borrower died or became disabled. Customers who bought single-premium policies paid for the insurance in a lump sum, typically when they purchased their vehicles. The full cost of the credit insurance policy was bundled into the buyer's vehicle loan and the coverage period lasted through the term of the vehicle loan, in some cases as long as six years.

Under the Texas Insurance Code, Universal Underwriters was obligated to refund the insurance premiums' unearned portion to those customers who paid off their loans early. The company, however, retained the unearned premiums in some cases.

Of the original nine companies against whom the OAG took legal action, only one case, against Resource Life Insurance Co., remains pending.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING TO DISCUSS BUDGET AND PROPOSED TAX RATE

The CROSS PLAINS I.S.D. will hold a public meeting at 6:00 PM, August 26, 2008 in CROSS PLAINS HIGH SCHOOL BOARDROOM, 700 N. MAIN STREET, CROSS PLAINS, TEXAS 76443. The purpose of this meeting is to discuss the school district's budget that will determine the tax rate that will be adopted. Public participation in the discussion is invited.

The tax rate that is ultimately adopted at this meeting or at a separate meeting at a later date may not exceed the proposed rate shown below unless the district publishes a revised notice containing the same information and comparisons set out below and holds another public meeting to discuss the revised notice.

Maintenance Tax	\$0.91000/\$100 (Proposed rate for maintenance and operations)
School Debt Service Tax	\$0.006300/\$100 (Proposed rate to pay bonded indebtedness)
Approved by Local Voters	

Comparison of Proposed Budget with Last Year's Budget

The applicable percentage increase or decrease (or difference) in the amount budgeted in the preceding fiscal year and the amount budgeted for the fiscal year that begins during the current tax year is indicated for each of the following expenditure categories:

Maintenance and operations	17.43 % increase
Debt service	4.41 % increase
Total expenditures	16.45 % increase

Total Appraised Value and Total Taxable Value

(as calculated under Section 26.04, Tax Code)

	Preceding Tax Year	Current Tax Year
Total appraised value* of all property	\$ 350,660,630	\$ 365,781,851
Total appraised value** of new property**	\$ 4,269,910	\$ 2,647,290
Total taxable value*** of all property	\$ 76,638,653	\$ 89,006,044
Total taxable value*** of new property**	\$ 4,269,910	\$ 2,647,290

* "Appraised value" is the amount shown on the appraisal roll and defined by Section 1.04(8), Tax Code.
** "New property" is defined by Section 26.012(17), Tax Code.
*** "Taxable value" is defined by Section 1.04(10), Tax Code.

Bonded Indebtedness

Total amount of outstanding and unpaid bonded indebtedness* \$607,577

* Outstanding principal.

Comparison of Proposed Rates with Last Year's Rates

	Maintenance & Operations	Interest & Sinking Fund*	Total	Local Revenue Per Student	State Revenue Per Student
Last Year's Rate	\$0.90000	\$0.07300 *	\$0.97300	\$2,151	(\$866)
Rate to Maintain Same Level of Maintenance & Operations Revenue & Pay Debt Service	\$0.84933	\$0.07425 *	\$0.92358	\$2,159	\$ 303
Proposed Rate	\$0.91000	\$0.06300 *	\$0.97300	\$2,550	\$ 0

* The Interest & Sinking Fund tax revenue is used to pay for bonded indebtedness on construction, equipment, or both. The bonds and the tax rate necessary to pay those bonds, were approved by the voters of this district.

Comparison of Proposed Levy with Last Year's Levy on Average Residence

	Last Year	This Year
Average Market Value of Residences	\$25,358	\$28,553
Average Taxable Value of Residences	\$7,823	\$10,698
Last Year's Rate Versus Proposed Rate per \$100 Value	\$0.97300	\$0.97300
Taxes Due on Average Residence	\$76.12	\$104.09
Increase (Decrease) in Taxes		\$27.97

Under state law, the dollar amount of school taxes imposed on the residence homestead of a person 65 years of age or older or of the surviving spouse of such a person, if the surviving spouse was 55 years of age or older when the person died, may not be increased above the amount paid in the first year after the person turned 65, regardless of changes in tax rate or property value.

Notice of Rollback Rate: The highest tax rate the district can adopt before requiring voter approval at an election is \$1.10597. This election will be automatically held if the district adopts a rate in excess of the rollback rate of \$1.10597.

Fund Balances

The following estimated balances will remain at the end of the current fiscal year and are not encumbered with or by a corresponding debt obligation, less estimated funds necessary for operating the district before receipt of the first state aid payment:

Maintenance and Operations Fund Balance(s)	\$800,000
Interest & Sinking Fund Balance(s)	\$10,500

Barb's Cues

By Barbara Holmes Worcester

Laughter Therapy or God's Medicine

Laughter does good like a medicine, according to the Bible. I personally had much rather laugh than take medicine.

There are tremendous things which laughter does for the human body. One is that laughter releases endorphins which combat pain. Laughter is a great sleep aid. It also does positive things for our attitude and frame of mind.

Classic examples of healing qualities of laughter in physical healing are chronicled in the book "Anatomy Of An Illness" by Norman Cousins. Cousins was given up as incurable by the medical profession so he set about to treat himself with laughter and good nutrition and was cured.

"I have developed what I call Laughter Therapy. I am a speaker. I explain what laughter can do for us and then propose an experiment. I tell a series of humorous anecdotes from my personal laugh bank and invite the audience to see if they do not feel better. I invite you to really laugh and see how you feel. You will collect your own stories."

My sister, Paula bumped into her daughter, Brianne, one day and said, "I apologize." Later

Brianne bumped her mom and said, "I Bree-a-gize."

Another Bree story. Brianne loved the story about the big bad wolf and the little pigs. One time after a telling where the old wolf came down the chimney and fell into a pot of hot water and burned himself, then ran far away, Bree told Paula, "That old wolf would have been better off if he had just gone for pizza."

I liked to give my children new pajamas on Christmas Eve, so they would look cute for pictures. When my daughter D'Ann was about ten, she said, "Mom when you get our pajamas this year please don't get the flannel kind. I want some LINGER-EE."

My children went through what I call the "Age Of The Owls." It happens around age fifteen, but can happen sooner. Suddenly, they are wiser than ever before. If mom tries to give wise counsel for their own good, they will puff up, curl feet in determination, glare at her with beady little eyes, and then they will HOOT. They had rather fly at night and sleep in the day. But when they are between eighteen and thirty, they usually fly off to build their own nest and mom gets wise again.

Now do you feel better? If so, build your own laugh bank. Laugh loud, long, and often.

This medicine is easier on the pocket book too.

Barbara H. Worcester

This was one of my favorite speeches because it was fun to do. I may bore people sometime telling so many jokes, but why sit around with a long face when you could be laughing. I urge people to collect funny stories and tell them at appropriate times. During allergy season I tell about my son who came in when he was about three and said the cat had an allergy. A dog walked up and the cat went ssssttt ssssttt. My son thought it was wheezing. Build your own laugh bank and promote laughter. It is fun AND HEALTHY.

BHW

Oven Fried Chicken

- 4 slices bread
- 4 boneless, skinless chicken breasts
- 1/8 t paprika
- salt & pepper to taste
- cooking spray
- 2 egg whites

Run bread through knife blades in food processors and add spices. Roll chicken in egg white and coat with bread crumbs. Bake for 30 minutes at 400 degrees on a broiler pan sprayed with cooking spray.

Life is my college. May I graduate well and earn some honors.

Louisa May Alcott

Wind turbines responsible for higher tax values in County

Callahan County's taxing entities reported higher tax values compared to 2007, except for the City of Clyde.

Callahan County Appraisal District Chief Appraiser Bun Barry provided 2008 property tax values for Callahan County, the cities of Clyde, Baird and Putnam and the Clyde, Baird, Cross Plains and Eula school districts.

Barry reported Callahan County's tax values for 2008 were \$475,698,720, up \$43,898,462 over 2007 tax values. He said the majority of the tax value increase in the County was due to \$35 million in wind turbines located inside the county's boundaries. He said the Lone Star Wind Farm built 27 new wind turbines in the county. "That's something we hadn't gotten in the county until this year," Barry said of the wind turbine values put on the tax rolls.

Barry said because of House Bill 1010, Callahan County only provides property tax values for those taxing entities located inside the county's boundaries. He said because of the House Bill, Clyde CISD, Eula ISD and Cross Plains ISD property tax values are different than the previous year. He said Clyde CISD taxing boundaries are located inside Callahan, Shackelford, Taylor and Jones counties. Cross Plains ISD includes properties inside Callahan, Eastland and Brown County. Eula ISD is situated inside Callahan and Taylor counties.

Barry said the City of Baird listed property taxes of \$38,919,445, up \$984,545 over 2007 tax values.

He said Baird ISD listed property taxable values of

\$92,971,510 in 2008, up \$6,968,642. He said \$3.5 million of Baird's increase in property tax values is due to new construction. Barry said the Lone Star Wind Farm had seven wind turbines constructed inside Baird school district's boundaries this year.

The chief appraiser reported the City of Putnam listed property tax values of \$1,918,020 this year, an increase of \$5,000 over 2007 tax values.

Barry reported the City of Clyde listed property tax values of \$98,706,547 this year. He said the City of Clyde's taxable value is down \$4,658,623 from 2007 values due to a problem with the certified tax values from the previous year. Barry said there were two businesses that did not notify his office they would protest their value until after he certified the tax rolls for the City of Clyde.

Barry reported Clyde CISD had taxable values in Callahan County's boundary of \$173,481,870. Barry said last year, Clyde CISD's total taxable value was in the neighborhood of \$290 million. Barry said because of HB 1010, he only gets the school district's values inside the county.

Barry reported Eula ISD reported taxable values of \$88,993,530. He said Eula ISD's values included \$17 million for some 11 wind turbines inside the Eula school district's boundaries.

Barry reported oil values in 2008 were \$68 a barrel, up only \$8 from the previous year. Barry did say if oil prices remain high throughout the year, a barrel of oil in Callahan County will be taxed at over \$100 a barrel. Barry said the price of natural gas was valued at \$8.10 this

year, up 75 cents over last year's value. One problem Barry said Callahan County is having is although the price of oil and natural gas is increasing, production in the county is going down. Barry said Cross Plains, Baird and Clyde school districts all have some mineral tax values, while Eula ISD has very little.

Barry said the oil and gas values for Callahan County this year were \$27 million. He said Cross Plains ISD had \$3.2 million in oil values, Baird ISD had \$7.6 million in oil tax values and Clyde CISD had \$5 million in oil values this year. "Countywide, there was an increase of \$2 million increase in oil and gas values from last year," Barry said.

The chief appraiser said new construction amounted to \$120 million on the tax rolls for the whole county this year. Barry said there are homes being built on some of the larger ranches in the county that are nice homes. "There's more high dollar housing than we've been seeing," Barry said.

Barry reported agriculture values this year are running \$43 per acre for native pasture land, \$75 per acre for improved pasture land and \$100 per acre for dry cropland.

Barry said his office normally sends out property tax notices in May and property owners have until July 1st to respond to the values.

Barry said the taxing entities will provide him the tax rates sometime around September 1st and it will take a couple of weeks to calibrate the tax rates for the taxing entities. He said the tax office will probably send out their tax notices around October 1st.

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From the Officers of Cross Plains Lodge #627



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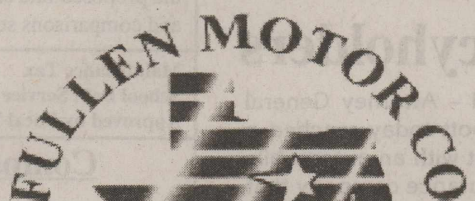
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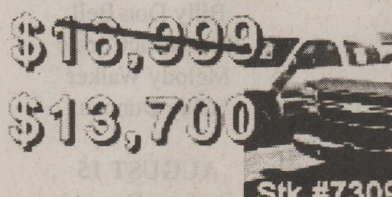
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Disaster Assistance Available for Small Businesses

Small, nonfarm businesses in 23 Texas counties may now apply for low-interest disaster loans from the U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA). These disaster loans offset economic losses because of reduced revenues caused by adverse weather in the primary counties, announced Alfred E. Judd, Director of SBA's Disaster Field Operations Center-West.

Small businesses in the following primary and neighboring counties may apply for working capital loans to offset economic losses that are attributable to the impact of the following weather conditions on the incident dates in each disaster:

Primary Counties: Briscoe and Lynn; Neighboring counties: Armstrong, Borden, Crosby, Dawson, Donley, Floyd, Garza, Hall, Hockley, Lubbock, Motley, Swisher and Terry; Incident Type: Drought; Incident Date: 01-01-2008; Deadline: 03-16-2009. Primary Counties: Callahan, Fisher, Haskell, Nolan, Shackelford, Stonewall and Taylor. Incident Type: Hail; Incident Date: 04/23/2008; Deadline: 02-24-2009.

Small businesses and most private, non-profit organizations of any size may qualify for Economic Injury Disaster Loans (EIDLs) of up to \$2 million to help meet financial obligations and operating

expenses which could have been met had the disaster not occurred. "Eligibility for these loans based on the financial impact of the disaster only and not on any actual property damage. These loans have an interest rate of 4%, a maximum term of 30 years, and are restricted to small businesses without the financial ability to offset the adverse impact without hardship," Judd said.

By law, SBA makes EIDLs available when the U.S. Secretary of Agriculture designates and agricultural disaster. Secretary Ed Schafer declared these disasters at the request of Governor Rick Perry.

Businesses primarily engaged in farming or ranching are not eligible for SBA disaster assistance. Agricultural enterprises should contact the Farm Service Agency (FSA) about the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) assistance made available by the Secretary's declaration. However, in drought disasters nurseries are eligible for SBA disaster assistance.

Information and application forms are available from SBA's Customer Service Center by calling 800-659-2955, e-mailing disastercustomerservice@sba.gov or visiting SBA's website at www.sba.gov/services/disasterassistance. Hearing impaired individuals may call 800-877-8339.

Big Country Wheat Conference to be held in Abilene on August 19th

Todd Staples, Texas Agriculture Commissioner, is the scheduled keynote speaker at the Big Country Wheat Conference, to be held August 19th. This biennial conference starts with registration at 7 a.m. in the Big Country Hall which is located on the grounds of the Taylor County Expo Center in Abilene.

This event is the largest and most comprehensive educational wheat program in Texas, with speakers and participants from across Texas and Oklahoma. This conference is scheduled just before planting so growers will have time to apply what they learn to this year's crop.

Topics will include the political climate of biofuels, a wheat-related farm bill update, 2009 Price outlook, marketing to your

advantage, weed control, variety selection and grazing data, and a stocker cattle decision tool. Three Texas Department of Agriculture continuing education units (two general and one integrated pest management) will be available for private pesticide applicator licence-holders.

The conference will be conducted by the Extension offices in Callahan, Fisher, Jones, Nolan, Runnels, Shackelford and Taylor counties. Individual registration is free if you pre-register to one of the sponsoring counties by August 15, and \$20 thereafter.

For more information contact the Taylor County Extension office at 325-672-6048, or any of the sponsoring Extension offices.

submitted by, Robert Pritz

Rolling Oaks Golf News

New to our course on Thursdays was the 2 Man Scramble held on July 17th. The winning team was David Evans and Seth Simmons with a low seven under. Finishing second was Robert Allgood

and Terry Simmons, while third went to Kobey Morris and Terry Odom.

The cost is \$25.00 per non-member which includes all fees and cart rentals. The cost for members is \$15.00 plus cart cost. Mulligans will be distributed per handicap so you will need to turn in scorecards to the Pro Shop. Places will be paid according to the number of teams entered each week. Please register ahead of time by calling 254-643-4563 or coming by the Pro Shop.

Tuesday, July 22, twenty-eight players teed off in the Tuesday ABCD Scramble. Closest to the pin on 2 went to Jimmy Kelly and on 6 went to Chaz Odom. The scramble was won by Corey Morris' team with 8 under. The team consisted of Corey, Chaz Odom, Zack Childers, Bryan Rivers, Angie Yancey and Dennis Murdock.

Thursday's two man scramble on July 24 had 9 teams entered and was won by the father-son team of Bruce and Bryan Rivers with 7 under. Second place went to the father-son team of Terry and Seth Simmons. And NO you do not have to play with your son, it just worked out that way on Thursday. Chaz Odom and Corey Morris won third.

Tuesday, July 29th, 19 players teed off in the ABCD Scramble. Closest to the pin on 14 went to Terry Odom and on 16 it went to Phil Davis. There was a three-way tie between Chaz Odom's, Corey Morris' and Terry Odom's team and will carry over until next Tuesday, August 5th.

Although we have seen record high temperatures, play is steady at the course. Looking forward to seeing you soon!

Callahan County 4-H Shooting Sports Planning 5th Annual Dove Warm-Up

The Callahan County 4-H Shooting Sports Club will hold their 5th annual Dove Warm-Up, Saturday, August 23, 2008, at the 4-H range off FM 18 between Clyde & Baird.

A team of 5 can shoot 50 targets each at the 5-stand event for \$125. Prizes will be awarded for 1st through 3rd place in team, individual (13 & older), and kids (12 & under divisions). Call to reserve a time to shoot.

The trap and skeet fields will also be open. Hone your skills for \$6.00 a round (25 targets). Hit a "green" target and win a prize. Also, try your luck at the "Long-Bird" game.

So, grab your shotgun, shells, and hunting vest and come out and shoot some clays and a brisnet sandwich. All proceeds benefit the Callahan County 4-H Shooting Sports programs.

To sign up for 5-stand or more information, call Kevin Meier at 325-672-9521 (Longacres) or 325-665-7810.

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Texas Roads Got More Colorful August 1st New Specialty License Plate Partnership gives drivers many options

AUSTIN - Texas roads got more colorful when more than 20 new license plates designs debuted Friday, August 1st.

Texas can now have a little fun and express themselves on their cars with new plate colors and designs.

The new www.mylates.com website lets you create your own plate combination, check its availability and order online. There's even a way to print out a paper copy of the plate to see how it looks on your car. The website went live on Friday.

The plates, which can all be personalized, are from My Plates, the Texas-based company chosen by the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) to handle the design, marketing and sale of new specialty license plates.

This innovative public/private partnership is the first of its kind in the country. It will give Texans more opportunities to express their creativity while also generating new income for the state. A portion of the sale of each plate will go into the General Revenue Fund, which provides services that benefit all Texans. The contract guarantees a minimum of \$40 million to the Fund over a five-year period.

Texas currently has the country's lowest percentage of drivers with personalized license plates. Less than 1% of

Texans own them. Before now, Texans had to renew specialty plates each year. With My Plates, you can also choose a five or ten-year option. My Plates will also offer gift certificates for its specialty license plates, another unique aspect of the program.

The price of plates will depend on the style and the level of personalization. Plates are divided into three series: Custom, Premium, and Luxury. Prices start at \$95 a year, or from less than \$40 a year if you buy a ten-year term.

"With almost 21 million vehicles on Texas roads, there are a lot of stories out there" said James Power, president of My Plates. "We're offering a fun way to tell those stories and to add character to your car, truck or motorcycle."

Besides the exciting new designs, the key difference in the new system is the ease of picking a plate, personalizing it and completing the order. My Plates has developed a user-friendly website (www.mylates.com) and has added a professionally staffed call center in Austin to handle orders through their toll-free number, 877-769-7528 (877-7MYPLATES). On the site, you can see all the color and design options, check availability of a letter/number combination and securely complete the transaction using a credit card.

This Week in Texas History

By: Bartee Haile

Peacemakers wait for Comanches to decide their fate

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It was pins-and-needles time for three white peacemakers on Aug. 10, 1843, as they waited for the Comanche council to decide whether they lived or died.

Making amends with the western tribes was a top priority for Sam Houston at the start of his second presidency. But in the bitter aftermath of his predecessor's ethnic-cleansing policy, bringing peace to the frontier would be almost as hard as whipping Santa Anna.

Mirabeau Lamar pursued his goal of an Indian-free Republic with a fanatical zeal that alienated even friendly tribes. The bloody eviction of the Cherokees in 1839 followed the next year by the Council House Fight, the hand-to-hand combat in a San Antonio meeting hall that claimed the lives of 35 Comanches and seven Texans, poisoned red and white relations.

Realizing the first move was up to him, President Houston planned an historic peace conference at Birds Fort, a Ranger station in the middle of the modern Metroplex. To extend the invitations he chose three young commissioners: Capt. Joseph C. Eldridge, a 25 year old New Yorker fluent in many Indian dialects; Thomas Torrey, 24, who ran a trading post with his brothers north of present-day Waco; and Hamilton Prioleau Bee, the 21 year old son of a prominent politician.

The trio set out in March 1843 with several Delawares, who volunteered to act as mediators. From a camp near the three forks of the Trinity River, the go-betweens fanned out to round up representatives of nine small clans. The Waco, Anadarko, Towdash, Caddo, Kichai, Bidai, Tehuacano, Baluxe and lone tribes all consented to the Birds Fort pow-wow.

The search for the

Comanches, who never stayed in one place for long, took more than a month. But the Delawares finally found them and guided the Texans to the nomads' main village.

Although the emissaries did not expect the red-carpet treatment from the Comanches, they were surprised by the sullen reception. Capt. Eldridge tried to warm up their ice-cold hosts by explaining the purpose of the unusual visit.

"Why should you ask us to be friends when our chiefs, who went to San Antonio to make peace with the whites, were all killed?" retorted an angry warrior. "We will not make peace with you now but kill you all and even up the score."

However, as the apprehensive Texans were relieved to learn, no one dared harm a hair on their heads without permission from the principal chief, who was away on tribal business. Until his return, they were advised for their own safety not to set foot outside their tent.

Pahayuca appeared on Aug. 9, 1843 and called a council for the next dawn. The three Texans were barred from the gathering, but their Indian companions were allowed to attend as observers.

The elder statesman patiently listened to the views of the assembly. The younger chiefs without exception demanded death for the intruders in retaliation for the bloodshed three years earlier in San Antonio.

After much prodding from the anxious Texans, the Delawares admitted the debate definitely was not going their way. They resisted the temptation to make a run for it because, as Hamilton Bee recalled years later, "We would have been followed and recaptured and put to an ignominious death."

Of the three only Joseph

Eldridge never gave up hope. "When an Indian delays action," he optimistically noted, "there is a chance he will reverse his opinion."

The great debate ended at noon. Seated in the center of a giant circle, Pahayuca considered the complicated question in complete silence. No one moved a muscle nor made a sound for four long hours.

Rising to his feet at last, Pahayuca addressed the council. "The slaughter of our chiefs at San Antonio was a great crime, but we should not commit a greater one. This we would do were we to kill these men. These men came to us bearing a white flag, an emblem of peace. The Great Spirit will never look down upon the Comanche with favor if we dye this flag with their blood."

The principal chief's persuasive pitch made the difference. The fate of the Texans was put to a vote according to Comanche custom, and the majority ruled in favor of mercy.

But Pahayuca's equally eloquent appeal on behalf of the peace talks fell on deaf ears. In a rare display of defiance, the chiefs voted to boycott the Birds Fort conference and to remain at war with the Lone Star Republic.

Eldridge, Torrey and Bee quietly slipped away after the second show of hands. The three peacemakers were happy to escape the Comanches' clutches but knew full well that other Texans would not be so lucky.

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THE CURRENT BOARD OF DIRECTORS—David Estes, Dale Bishop, Kathy Chesshir, Mark Crouch, Lt. Governor for District 12, Bob Pipes and Jamie Wootton. Mark updated everyone on the annual convention and upcoming convention in Amarillo in August.

2 leadership development programs offered by Texas Farm Bureau

Preparing individuals for leadership roles for the agricultural industry is the focus of two development programs offered by Texas largest farm organization, according to Callahan-Shackelford County President Sam Snyder.

Texas Farm Bureau's AgLead and FarmLead programs are designed to improve the personal and professional leadership skills of agricultural producers across the state. AgLead is a two-year program for those between the ages of 25 and 40. FarmLead is for those over the age of 40. The application deadline for both programs is Sept. 2nd.

"There's a huge need for leaders from agriculture in an almost endless variety of situations," Snyder said. "I encourage local farmers and ranchers of all ages to explore these opportunities."

Both programs focus on opportunities to view and learn about the latest techniques and technologies that are in current use in all phases of agriculture. They will also have opportunities to better understand the political and regulatory process and to learn how to influence it. Communication skills are also emphasized.

"Both programs are hands-on learning processes, and participants in both have the opportunity to travel across Texas and the U.S. to explore agriculture's diversity. They will also have the opportunity to meet face-to-face with decision makers in both Austin and Washington, D.C.," Snyder said.

For more information contact the Callahan-Shackelford County Farm Bureau office at Baird.

Lifting Moratorium on Offshore Drilling

President George Bush's lifting of the executive moratorium on offshore oil drilling that has been in effect since 1990 was welcome news to the Callahan-Shackelford County Farm Bureau which said today that a multi-facet approach for energy is vital for national security.

"Some might not think we're really in an energy crisis by the way this country is responding," said Sam Snyder, president of the Callahan-Shackelford County Farm Bureau. "Of course we should be exploring and drilling for oil and gas wherever it's feasible and environmentally sound."

"Farm Bureau supports exploration and development of domestic supplies of fuel, but that is only part of what should be a multi-front approach," Snyder said.

"More drilling needs to be part of this, but we have to explore other energy sources," Snyder said. "We also have to stay the course on biofuels, put more into wind and solar and take another hard look at nuclear power."

Snyder said that new biofuels technology that makes ethanol out of cellulose products, like wood, grasses and crop residues, are also in the mix.

"We won't always make ethanol out of corn, but the systems we are developing now will be vital once cellulosic ethanol becomes a reality," Snyder said. "No door should be closed when it comes to developing energy. Texas farmers and ranchers are finding it tough going with energy prices at this level, despite record commodity prices."

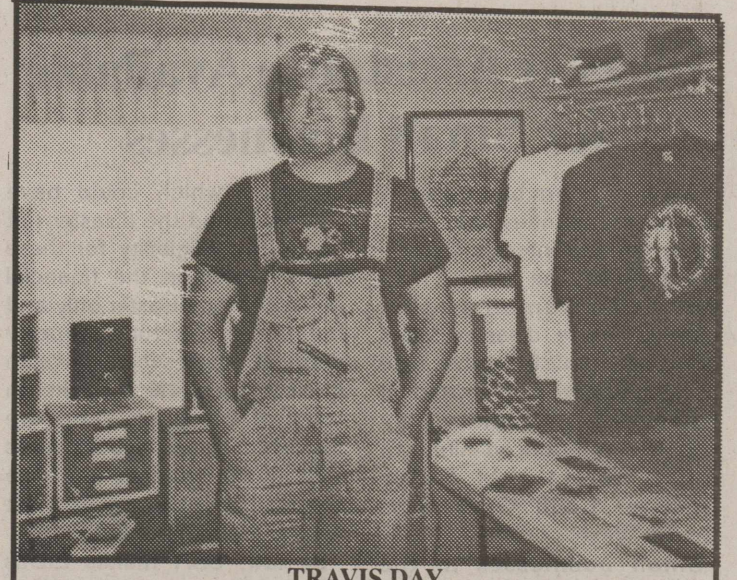
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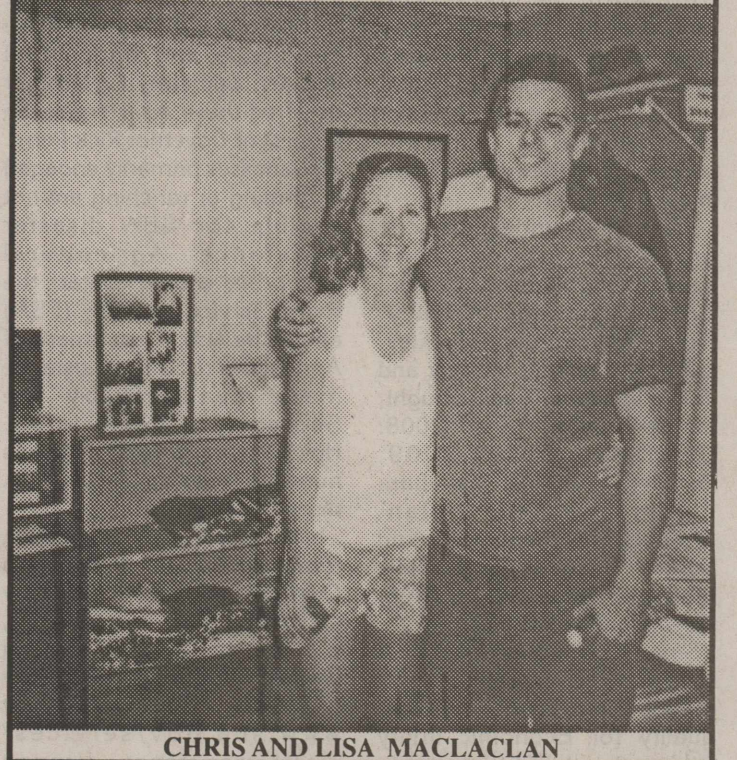
(Please note that these facts vary by location. It might not be the same for everyone. These facts are based upon North American weather studies, primarily Texas, being that I live here.)

Did you know that a microburst is a downdraft that is less than 2.5 miles wide? Remember vertical wind shear? Well, the effects of a microburst are known as windshear. That's it, windshear. The most common occurrence of a wet microburst is during stormy weather. Very few occur outside of this. Wet microbursts are short lived, usually no more than five minutes at a time. How do you know when a microburst has hit? Well, we are first going to look at the

structure. In Tornado Alley, microbursts are better described as a giant ball of rain coming down at speeds of 400 mph on average. Again, they are very short lived and unpredictable. I have seen a photo of one of these monsters. They are not pretty. Rain begins in a cloud as first a ball, and then expands in a spread out motion, thus producing rain. The same scenario applies for when a microburst hits the ground. There is so much force being applied that there is no opportunity for moisture to spread out. Other occurrences of microbursts are in gust fronts and squall lines. Don't worry, next week we will learn how to tell when one has occurred. Any questions email storm-chaser101@yahoo.com. www.srh.noaa.gov.



TRAVIS DAY



CHRIS AND LISA MACLACALAN

Researchers and Teachers Tour Museum

A fascinating duo from Canada was in town recently to visit the Robert E. Howard Museum. Both Chris and Lisa work in the research department of Bioniche Life Science, Inc. Local ranchers

may be familiar with the FSH hormone supplement produced at the Ottawa facility. Also on the break from his high school teacher role in Montezuma, NM was Travis Day.

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Nature conservancy of Texas urges parents to take their kids outdoors this summer

With the arrival of the summer holidays, The Nature Conservancy of Texas reminds parents across the state that children who play outdoors and spend time in nature are happier and healthier. A growing body of research shows that children throughout the developed world are spending far less time outdoors than ever before, with potential consequences for childhood health and fitness issues.

"The overuse of electronic forms of entertainment can have adverse effects on the physical and emotional health of our children if they don't balance those sedentary activities by spending adequate time playing outdoors," said Dr. Joseph Goldzieher, a retired San Antonio endocrinologist and long-time member of The Nature Conservancy.

"For example, rampant childhood obesity, caused in part by inactivity, is a major contributor to the rise of both juvenile and adult-onset diabetes in children, and this has been a troubling and growing problem in Texas in recent years."

Dr. Goldzieher adds that in addition to being less active and prone to obesity, children of the digital age who don't spend time enjoying and playing in nature may display higher levels of stress, reduced ability to concentrate and less aptitude for creative problem solving - a non-scientific, social condition dubbed "nature-deficit disorder" by journalist Richard Louv in his popular book, "Last Child in the Woods."

"Now that summer is here and children are out of school, parents need to redouble their efforts to get their young ones outside to play in nature," Dr. Goldzieher said. "It will improve both their physical and mental health. Even if families are unable to take extended outdoor trips this summer, simple activities such as taking kids to a local park or a hike near their home on a regular basis will make a world of difference."

Ongoing research supported by The Nature Conservancy, by professors Oliver Pergams, assistant professor of biological studies at the University of Illi-

nois at Chicago, and Patricia Zardiac, a fellow with the Environmental Leadership Program, point to a dramatic decrease in camping, backpacking, fishing, hiking, hunting and visits to public parks in recent years. Their studies suggest that since 1981, nature-related activities have declined between 18 percent and 25 percent, with a per capita decline in nature recreation of between 1 and 1.3 percent per year.

"Nearly everyone I talk to who supports wildlife conservation fondly recalls a love and appreciation for nature he or she developed as a child," said Jeff Francell, director of land and water protection for The Nature Conservancy of Texas, and the father of two daughters, ages 4 and 6.

"If we lose our connection to the natural world, we'll lose our understanding of the source of our food, our clean water and our clean air," said Francell, who is based in Austin. "Over generations, without a personal awareness of what nature provides, we are not likely to feel compelled or even to understand how to protect it."

Anna Sweeden, a Nature Conservancy staff member based in San Antonio, is determined to get her 15-year-old son, Garrett, outdoors as often as possible, but adds he does enjoy nature on a regular basis.

"Sure, my son plays video games, he uses a computer and he watches TV. I want him to be comfortable with modern technology," she said. "But it is crucial that he also spends time in nature, whether that happens in our yard, in the park down the street or in one of our state parks."

We're blessed to live in a country setting, and we also love to spend time at Padre Island National Seashore, where he can walk on the beach instead of a sidewalk, enjoy the ocean air, see birds and fish.

"Getting out in nature gives him the exercise he has to have for his health, and it also lets him experience a world that was not made by man. This broadens his outlook, and I think it makes him a more peaceful person," she added.

Dr. Goldzieher said his personal experience illustrates how exposure to nature early in life can profoundly affect one's view of the world.

"Summer camping as a pre-teen and teenager was a life-changing experience for me," he said. "To walk with a naturalist, and to identify plants, flowers, lizards, birds - and start a list! - was the most fun of all. To go on hikes and 'leave nothing but your footprint' was my introduction to environmental conservation. To sleep outdoors and hear all the noises was scary until I learned what each sound meant. Waking up to hear the birds is as good as it gets."

For a list of places in Texas where children can enjoy nature this summer, download the summer activity guide from The Nature Conservancy of Texas Web site, www.nature.org/texas. The guide provides information about open nature preserves and a directory of free or low-cost resources sponsored by Texas Parks and Wildlife Department, cities and community organizations throughout Texas.

The Nature Conservancy is a leading conservation organization working around the world to protect ecologically important lands and waters for nature and people. To date, the Conservancy and its more than one million members have been responsible for the protection of more than 18 million acres in the United States and have helped preserve more than 117 million acres in Latin America, the Caribbean, Asia and the Pacific.

Visit The Nature Conservancy on the Web at www.nature.org. In the Lone Star State, The Nature Conservancy of Texas owns more than 30 nature preserves and conservation projects and assists private landowners to conserve their land through more than 100 voluntary land-preservation agreements. The Nature Conservancy of Texas protects some 250,000 acres of wild lands and, with partners, has conserved 750,000 acres for wildlife habitat across the state. Visit The Nature Conservancy of Texas on the Web at www.nature.org/texas.

Developing a more skilled workforce in Texas

AUSTIN - A Message from Texas Workforce Commission (TWC) Chairman Tom Pauken:

The world is not the same as it was in the 1950s when 60 percent of jobs could be filled with unskilled workers. Today, 80 percent of high-growth, high-demand jobs require some education beyond high school. Research has shown students are not preparing for skills needed in today's workplace.

Texas has been very successful in job creation and attracting companies to our state in recent years. One area where we need to show more progress, however, is in aligning career and technology education with what is needed in the workforce. Without more skilled workers, we will be unable to maintain the rate of job growth we have seen over the past several years in Texas. An important requirement of employers seeking to relocate or expand their businesses is the availability of a skilled workforce. We must be able to supply workers on the employers' timelines in order to remain competitive in attracting jobs to our state.

Unfortunately, the Texas Workforce Commission continues to hear from employers that students are not learning the skills necessary for a modern economy. These employers are not alone in their opinions. According to a survey conducted by Hart Research Associates and Public Opinion Strategies, college instructors report that 42 percent of entering freshmen are unprepared for college work, and employers estimate that 45 percent of recent high school graduates lack necessary skills. These perspectives are shared by the high school graduates themselves: 35 percent of college students say that they graduated from high school with large gaps in basic academic skills, and 39 percent of high school graduates entering the workforce report such gaps.

There is an objective basis for these concerns. A study of Texas high school graduates taking

the ACT in 2004 found only 18 percent had the foundational skills for college and work. In addition to learning the basics, students must also develop good analytical skills. Employers report that such applied skills as critical thinking, teamwork, and effective communication are essential to the preparation for today's workplace. For some occupations, these applied skills are even more important than basic or specific technical skills that can be gained on the job. Therefore, it is critical that our young people know how to learn on their own and how to analyze issues, identify solutions and develop recommendations for solving problems.

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Employers are especially concerned about the broken link between educational institutions at all levels and the businesses that employ their graduates. While one can make the argument that Texas is doing a reasonably good job of producing the quantity of four-year degrees, there is a huge mismatch between the areas

of study and the jobs being created. As Tom Luce of the U.S. Department of Education pointed out in a recent column in the Austin American-Statesman, "America now graduates more sports exercise majors than electrical engineers," adding that "there were twice as many physics graduates in 1956 as in 2004."

But our real deficit is in the number of two-year technical degrees Texas produces. Employers tell us that their greatest needs can be met through quality high school education followed by associate degrees or advanced certification programs.

Right now, the message parents are hearing is that their

children have to get at least a bachelor's degree in order to obtain well-paying jobs. We have to work with parents and guidance counselors to educate them about the jobs being created and all of the potential career pathways, including good options requiring fewer than four years of college.

A case in point is one of Gov. Rick Perry's major economic development initiatives - the Texas Energy Cluster. This Texas Industry Cluster Initiative encourages skills training for good-paying jobs in the following areas: oil and gas exploration and production, power generation, mining, power transmission, and renewable energy sources, such as wind, bio-fuel, solar and geothermal energy. This cluster added 85,465 jobs from 2004 to 2007, but many of the technical professionals in the cluster are approaching retirement. The energy industry, as well as other high-skill, high-wage industries, will lose as many as half of its professional talent over the next five to 10 years as baby boomers retire.

Unless we can align career and technology education with what is needed in the workforce, we will simply not be able to realize the vast potential of the Texas Energy Cluster or other high-growth sectors.

In order to make the best use of our state resources, I believe that our education system should make a shift to one that is market-driven and takes into account the skills needed by employers.

Tom Pauken is Chairman of the Texas Workforce Commission.

The Texas Workforce Commission is a state agency dedicated to helping Texas employers, workers and communities prosper economically. For details on TWC and the programs it offers in unison with its network of local workforce development boards, call (512) 463-8556 or visit www.texasworkforce.org.

Attorney General Abbott Files New Action Against Four Drug Companies For Inflating Drug Prices

Drug-pricing scheme exploited Medicaid program, enriched participants

AUSTIN - Texas Attorney General Greg Abbott today charged several generic drug manufacturers with reporting false, inflated drug prices to the Texas Medicaid program. Today's enforcement action names the following defendants: Watson/Schein Pharmaceuticals Inc. of California; Alpharma Inc. of New Jersey; Par Pharmaceutical Inc. of New Jersey; and Barr Pharmaceuticals Inc. of New York.

Texas Attorney General's lawsuit against Alpharma Inc., Barr Pharmaceuticals Inc., et al.

Under state and federal law, drug manufacturers must inform the Medicaid program about their products' sales prices. This reporting requirement includes pricing schemes the manufacturers offer to a variety of providers, including pharmacies, wholesalers and distributors. The Texas Medicaid program uses this pricing information to estimate the amount Medicaid pharmacy providers pay to acquire the drug manufacturers' products.

Pharmacies bill the state-run, taxpayer-funded program for these costs, plus prescription dispensing fees, and Medicaid reimburses them based on the manufacturer-reported pricing information.

Because of the manufacturers' falsely reported prices, Medicaid reimbursed pharmacies at vastly inflated rates. The resulting windfall profits, which date back to the early 1990s, unlawfully induced pharmacies and other providers to purchase the defendants' products.

Today's enforcement action began with a sealed whistleblower lawsuit that was filed by home-infusion pharmacy Ven-a-Care of the Florida Keys Inc. Acting on similar information from Ven-a-Care, the Attorney General has taken action against numerous defendants for launching similar drug-pricing schemes. Among these are Schering-Plough/Warrick Pharmaceuticals in May 2004 (\$27 million); Dey Inc. in June 2003 (\$18.5 million); Boehringer Ingelheim/Roxane Laboratories in November 2005 (\$10 million); and Baxter Healthcare Corp. in June 2006 (\$8.5 million).

The Attorney General's legal actions against B Braun Medical Inc. of Pennsylvania and Abbott Laboratories Inc. of Illinois remain pending.

The Attorney General's enforcement action reflects a continuing crackdown on waste, fraud and abuse in the Medicaid system. In 2006 alone, the Texas Medicaid program cost more than \$17 billion. To save taxpayer dollars, Attorney General Abbott has dramatically expanded both the Civil Medicaid Fraud Section and the Medicaid Fraud Control Unit. Since Attorney General Abbott took office, the civil and criminal Medicaid fraud sections have recovered more than \$200 million.

With the passage of amendments to the Texas Medicaid Fraud Prevention Act in 1997, the Texas Legislature paved the way for whistleblower lawsuits involving industry insiders, such as Ven-a-Care. Under the law, whistleblowers may be eligible for a percentage of damages recovered. To obtain more information about the Attorney General's efforts to fight Medicaid fraud, access the agency's Web site at www.texasattorneygeneral.gov.

Beef Checkoff Promotes Overall Health and Well-being

AUSTIN - The Texas Beef Checkoff Program is continuing to showcase the nutritional attributes of beef through consumer fitness events held across the state. As the industry focuses on beef's protein benefits, and the strength and power it provides, fitness events including runs, walks and triathlons offer the opportunity to reach the health-minded consumer with positive nutrition facts about beef.

These events attract a wide-range of athletes and spectators from novice to expert and offer a prime venue for delivering beef nutrition information. The Texas Beef Council (TBC) recently participated in the Schlotzsky's 5k Bun Run, Capital of Texas Triathlon, Beach to Bay Marathon Relay, Austin Marathon

Relay and numerous American Heart Association Heart Walks throughout the state.

"Our goal is to change consumer attitudes about beef's nutritional and health benefits," said Stacy Bates, TBC nutrition coordinator. "Many consumers aren't aware that beef is naturally nutrient rich, meaning beef provides more essential vitamins and minerals in fewer calories which is a definite nutrition advantage."

At each fitness event the TBC consumer marketing team distributes delicious and healthy beef kabob samples to participants and spectators. While at the events the team also provides healthy beef recipes, grilling guides and beef nutrition information. Through these pro-

motions, the checkoff arms consumers with beef nutrition knowledge in efforts to promote beef as a part of an overall healthy diet.

"Beef is a great source of protein," said Richard Thorpe, M.D., TBC nutrition committee chair and beef producer. "Beyond protein, beef also provides many other important nutrients such as zinc, iron and B vitamins which are essential for maintaining optimal health. By attending a variety of fitness events, the checkoff is able to communicate science-based nutritional information to those consumers who often times choose an alternative protein source."

For more information on this and other beef checkoff-funded programs, please visit www.texasbeef.org or call (800) 846-4113.

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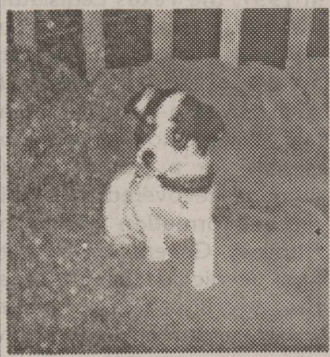
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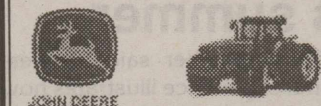
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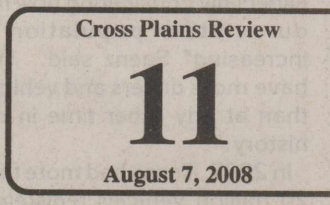
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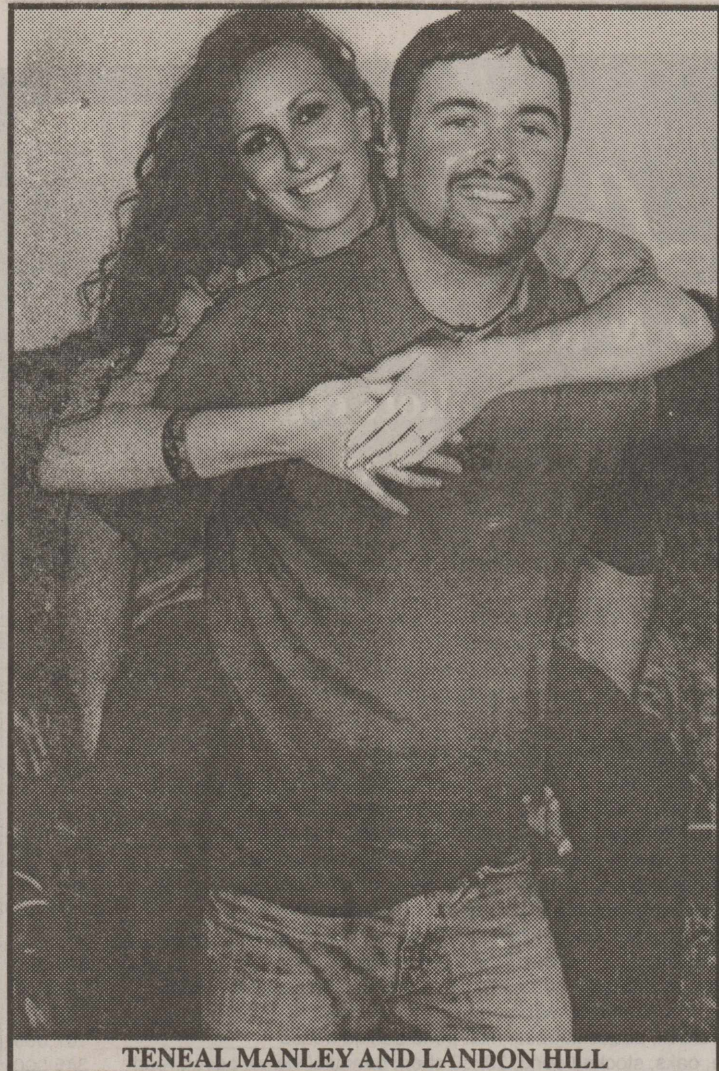
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MANLEY - HILL TO WED OCTOBER 11TH

Tim and Monelle Manley of Brownwood happily announce the engagement of their daughter, Teneal Manley to Landon Hill, son of Sharyn Hill and the late Bob Hill of Cross Plains. Teneal is the granddaughter of Gerald and Monette Grinstead, Tommy and Sherry Manley, and great granddaughter of Claude Maedgen, all of Brownwood. Landon is the grandson of Phyllis Tucker and the late Nash Tucker,

and the late G.S. and Nophlet Hill. Teneal is a 2002 graduate of Brownwood High School, and currently working on her B.S. in Nursing in Tarleton State University. Landon is a 2001 graduate of Cross Plains High School, and a 2005 graduate of Tarleton State University with a major in Criminal Justice and a minor in Wildlife. The wedding will take place 5:30 p.m Saturday, October 11, 2008, at the Warren Ranch in Grosvenor.



UNITED IN MARRIAGE—Justice of the Peace Burlie Taylor (left) performed the ceremony joining Walter Wayne Price of Brooklyn, New York, and Claudia Glesz of Leipzig, Germany in holy wedlock on July 25, 2008, at the local Justice of the Peace office.

Walter is the nephew of Nora Pointer of Cross Plains. The couple will make their new home in Cross Plains.

Traffic fatalities down in Texas

ABILENE, Texas - In 2007, 96 fewer lives were lost on Texas roadways, resulting in a 2.7 percent decrease in the total number of traffic fatalities suffered in the state.

In recent years, the Texas Department of Transportation has provided hundreds of millions of dollars specifically targeted for transportation safety.

The 2004 Safety Bond Program funded 644 projects to widen narrow two-lane highways, to install dedicated left-turn lanes, to install median barriers and other important highway safety improvements. TxDOT's annual Highway Safety Improvement Program also funds hundreds of projects that improve highway safety for all public roads.

"Improving safety is our most important goal," said Amadeo Saenz, TxDOT's executive director. "This decrease in total traffic fatalities demonstrates that the major investments we have made in transportation safety are producing real and significant results for our citizens. Every life saved on our highways represents a real tragedy that Texas families have not had to endure. This is a major step forward."

TxDOT's Texas Traffic Safety Program also provides approximately \$50 million per year to improve driver behavior by decreasing dangerous actions such as driving while

intoxicated, increasing safety belt compliance, and enforcing speed limits.

"Making sure the public has the safest transportation system possible is at the center of everything we do," said Saenz. "It is extremely gratifying to see these positive results in part from our implementation of the Safety Bond Program. The ability to issue these bonds has allowed us to target high-risk locations and get projects on the ground faster."

The Safety Bond Program allows TxDOT to issue general obligation bonds secured by the state highway fund to accelerate transportation projects, with twenty percent of the bonds earmarked for safety projects.

"It is extremely encouraging to see the overall number of traffic fatalities decrease, especially considering how fast our state's population is increasing" Saenz said. "We have more drivers and vehicles than at any other time in our history."

In 2007, Texas had more than 20 million vehicles registered. The total number of motor vehicles registered in Texas during 2000 was 14.2 million.

As part of its efforts to make Texas highways as safe as possible, TxDOT has installed more than 400 miles of additional median cable barrier. These devices, designed to prevent head-on collisions when an errant vehicle crosses a median into oncoming traffic, prevented 18 fatalities and 26 serious injuries during the first year of their use in Texas.

The American Association of State Highway and Transportation Officials recently adopted a national goal to reduce the traffic fatalities by 1,000 per year. The Texas decrease in traffic fatalities for 2007 allows the state to contribute approximately 10 percent to this important national safety goal.

TxDOT also collects and analyzes crash data as part of its mission to improve transportation safety.

The 3,422 traffic fatalities suffered in Texas during 2007 means there is still work to do.

How to Stay Safe

- Buckle up.
- Obey speed limits.
- Don't drink and drive.
- Designate a driver.
- Call a cab.
- Spend the night where you are, if possible.

Callahan County DPS Report

Calls received by the Callahan County Department of Public Safety from July 27, 2008 through August 2, 2008 include:

Cases Investigated
 Warnings—189
 Complaints—56
 DWI—1
 Displaying Fictitious License Plate—1
 Displaying Fictitious MVI Certificate—1

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

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MR. AND MRS. BYRON LLOYD MCNUTT

YARBROUGH - MCNUTT United in Marriage July 11th

Myleah Beth Yarbrough and Byron Lloyd McNutt were married July 11, 2008, at the First Baptist Church in Cross Plains.

The bride is the daughter of Robin (Merrill) Faucett and the late Joe Yarbrough. She is the granddaughter of Harold and Ophelia Merrill. The groom is the son of Jimmy McNutt and Lurene McNutt. He is the grandson of the late Byron and Louise Richardson and A.R. and Hazel McNutt.

Shanda Johnson and Summer McPeters were attendants for the bride. The bride was escorted by her mother.

Brenton McNutt and Leighton Wyatt were attendants for the groom.

Cheyenne Cowan and Jurnee Thomas served as candlelighters. Hannah Cowan registered guests. Hunter Rudloff and Brody McClure decorated the aisles with flower petals. Kevin Scott and Clay Koenig were ushers.

Terry Simmons of Rising Star First Baptist Church officiated.

The bride graduated from Abilene High.

The groom is employed by Cobra Drilling in Cisco. He graduated from Cross Plains High.

The couple reside in Abilene.

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NASA: A national asset in Texas

by U.S. Senator John Cornyn

"Houston, Tranquility Base here." The Eagle has landed. Those famous words from Astronaut Neil Armstrong when Apollo 11 landed on the moon in 1969 captivated the world and stirred enormous pride in Texas, home of Mission Control." Only 17 years old at the time, I, like many Americans, watched in amazement as our nation accomplished the unimaginable.

This year America celebrates the 50th anniversary of NASA and our commitment to explore space. In 1958, a year after the Soviet Union launched its Sputnik satellite, President Eisenhower signed legislation creating NASA. The "space race" had begun.

The Manned Spacecraft Center, now known as the Lyndon B. Johnson Space Center (JSC), opened in Houston in 1963. It became home base for NASA's astronaut corps, training space explorers for the U.S. and its partner nations in the space program.

To this day, the JSC continues to serve as NASA's Mission Control Center, while also directing all space shuttle missions, including the international space station — described as "the largest, most powerful, complex human facility to ever operate in space."

So far, NASA's anniversary celebration has featured scientific conferences, instructional programs for educators, exhibits and air shows.

One event — a baseball game in July honoring the anniversary

— highlighted the special bond between Houston and America's space program. On hand for the anniversary game in Houston were the seven astronauts scheduled to conduct a NASA flight to the space station this fall.

NASA's influence over Texas has been undeniable. Houston's baseball team, once the Colt .45s, changed their name when NASA came to town. Since then, the Houston Astros have been a staple of the National League, also competing in the 2005 World Series. The team's old stadium, the Astrodome, was the world's first domed sports stadium, built in 1965, and was nicknamed the "Eighth Wonder of the World."

At the same time, the Johnson Space Center employs 15,000 civil servants and contractors, and its economic impact in Texas is enormous. By maintaining America's leadership in the world technology market, all of NASA's facilities play a critical role in boosting the Texas economy, and the larger American economy as a whole.

NASA inspires and attracts America's best and brightest students to study engineering, mathematics, computer programming and the sciences. It serves as an intellectual catalyst for development of new generations of technology, much like previous NASA innovations that led to the development of Global Positioning Systems and CAT scan equipment.

In Houston, working at NASA is more than a job; it is a way of

life dedicated to expanding our body of knowledge and way of life through human space exploration.

But the quest for exploration that has always driven America has not come without costs. We will always remember the seven astronauts who lost their lives in 2003 when the space shuttle Columbia exploded over Texas. We also remember those who died aboard the space shuttle Challenger in 1986, and the astronauts and test pilots who lost their lives earlier in the space program.

In June, it was my pleasure to co-sponsor and help pass a bill to mint new \$50 gold and \$1 silver coins in honor of NASA's 50 years of achievement. The first \$4 million from sales of the commemorative coins are designated for the NASA Family Assistance Fund to help families of NASA personnel who die as a result of injuries suffered in the line of duty.

The sacrifice and dedication of all of America's pioneers of space challenges us to dream, to achieve more, and to reach farther than ever thought possible. They stand as examples to the men and women of today who dedicate their lives to space exploration.

NASA's resilience and vision should encourage Americans that our country has remained steadfastly committed to exploration of space — an enormous expanse of unvisited territory, our final frontier. It has been a privilege to represent an organization as important as NASA and the Johnson Space Center in the U.S. Senate.