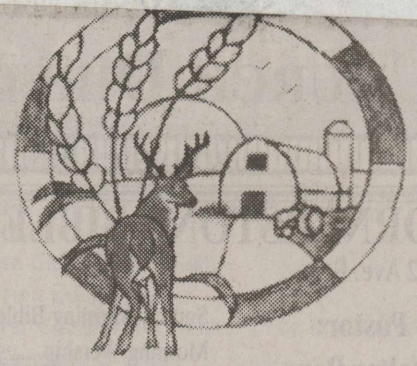


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# Cross Plains Review

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THURSDAY, July 30, 2009



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100th YEAR

CROSS PLAINS, CALLAHAN COUNTY, TEXAS 76443

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## Memorable Event Planned at Methodist Church

The First United Methodist Church of Cross Plains will be officially dedicated as a debt-free house of worship on Sunday, August 16 during morning worship. The Reverend Mike Lowry, Bishop of the Central Texas Conference of the UMC, will lead the special celebration and the actual dedication service. Assisting will be Rev. Jim Olney, District Superintendent of the Brownwood District, Rev. Harris Worcester, local Pastor, and Julie Worcester, local Music Director. Following the loss of the

Church on North Main in the firestorm on December 27, 2005, members started immediately on the rebuilding process. The outpouring of love, prayers and financial support from the community, from the churches here and around the conference, from friends of members around the world and from total strangers was equally overwhelming as we were constantly uplifted in the spirit of God's love. In the spirit of gratitude, the members of the Methodist

Church extend a warm invitation to all to join in the celebration service at 10:45 a.m. A catered dinner will follow in the Fellowship Hall and reservations must be made in advance by calling the church at 725-7377. Although there is no charge for the dinner, donations would be accepted. Following the meal, there will be informal tours of the church and a time for visiting in and around the formal dedication of the Parsonage at 1:30 p.m.

## Drought leaves livestock producers with \$974 million loss; producers can seek help from Federal Government

Fort Worth, Texas - Drought losses for Texas crop and livestock producers has reached \$3.6 billion and could exceed \$4.1 billion by the end of the year, according to the Texas AgriLife Extension Service.

Texas AgriLife Extension Service also reported that livestock losses have topped \$974 million since November 2008, an increase of more than \$400 million since March 2009.

"Texas ranchers are continuing to deal with scorched pastures, record-setting high temperatures and empty water tanks as the drought continues to take its toll," said Texas and Southwestern Cattle Raisers Association (TSCRA) President Dave Scott, a rancher from Richmond, Texas. "TSCRA is working with federal and state agencies to ensure that assistance is available for producers who want to participate."

**Livestock Indemnity Program (LIP)**

Under the United States Department of Agriculture's (USDA) LIP, eligible producers can seek benefits for livestock deaths that result from disasters. Eligible losses must have been the result of adverse weather, including losses due to hurricanes, floods, blizzards, disease, wildfire or extreme heat or cold. Losses must occur between Jan. 1, 2008 and Oct. 1, 2011.

Producers are encouraged to contact their local USDA Farm Service Agency (FSA) office for details on eligibility and program deadlines.

Producers do not have to participate in the Noninsured Crop Disaster Assistance Program (NAP) to qualify for LIP benefits.

**Livestock Forage Disaster Program (LFP)**

Supplemental Revenue Assistance Program (SURE) The Emergency Livestock Assistance Program (ELAP)

Producers will also be able to gain assistance from other supplemental programs, such as the LFP, SURE, and the ELAP, once USDA implements these programs. Participation in NAP is necessary in order to be eligible for benefits through these programs.

TSCRA has asked USDA to implement the programs as soon as possible and is working with members of Congress to encourage them to weigh in on immediate implementation.

Additionally, TSCRA as well as the Texas Department of Agriculture (TDA) has asked USDA to allow emergency haying and grazing of Conservation Reserve Program (CRP) land in Texas.

Texas and Southwestern Cattle Raisers Association is a 132-year-old trade organization and is the largest livestock association in Texas. TSCRA has more than 15,000 members who manage approximately 4 million head of cattle on 51.5 million acres of range and pasture land, primarily in Texas and Oklahoma. TSCRA provides law enforcement services, livestock inspection, legislative and regulatory advocacy and educational opportunities for its members and the industry.

## C.P.H.S. Ex-Student Association Meeting Monday, Aug. 3rd

The Cross Plains High School Ex-Student Association will meet at 6:30 p.m. Monday, August 3, at the home of Cliff and Connie Kirkham.

The main purpose of this meeting will be to finalize the plans for the upcoming 2009 Homecoming.

Anyone who would like to attend is welcome.

## Project Pride to Meet Tuesday, August 4th at Local Library

Project Pride will meet Tuesday, August 4th, at 7:00 p.m. at the Cross Plains Public Library.

The main item on the agenda will be planning the school personnel appreciation luncheon scheduled for August 19th. All are welcome to come and get involved.

## American Legion to Meet Thursday, July 30th

The American Legion Post 423 will meet for their regular monthly session on Thursday, July 30th, at 6:30 p.m. at the American Legion Hall on N.E. 1st Street in Cross Plains.

Wives are cordially invited to attend and a meal will be served.

All members and prospective members are encouraged to attend.

## Commissioners approve election order for or against alcohol sales in Baird

The Callahan County Commissioners voted to approve a motion ordering an election for or against the sale of alcoholic beverage in the City of Baird.

The county commissioners took the action Monday, July 27th during a regular commissioners' court meeting held at the County Courthouse in Baird.

Commissioner Bryan Farmer made a motion to order an election to be held on Tuesday, November 3, 2009 for the purpose of voting "For or Against the Legal Sale of All Alcoholic Beverages for Off-Premise Consumption Only" in the City of Baird. Commissioner Cliff Kirkham seconded the motion and the motion carried with a unanimous 5-0 vote.

Other agenda items brought before the commissioners' court included:

—Callahan County Judge Roger Corn called the commissioners' court meeting to order at 9:30 a.m. Those present included Precinct #1 Commissioner Harold Hicks, Precinct #2 Commissioner Bryan Farmer, Precinct #3 Commissioner Tom Windham, Precinct #4 Commissioner Cliff Kirkham, County Treasurer Dianne Gunter and County Clerk Donna Bell. Also present at the commissioners' court meeting were: Jim Rector and Margo Vinson, representing the Citizens Emergency Medical Service; Terry Been, Sammy Wilson, Joe Compton, A.H. Ringhoffer, Charlie Upchurch, Phil Williams, and Jim Stapleton, representing the flood control dams in the county; Tommy Morris with Group Insurance; County Tax Assessor/Collector Tammy Walker; County Attorney Shane Deel, and County Sheriff John Windham.

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

—During time set aside for public comment, there was none.

—After inspection of the flood control dams in Callahan County, Commissioner Farmer made a motion to accept the Grant issued by the State of Texas to pay 90 percent, while Callahan County is responsible for 10 percent of the cost of the repair to fences and cleanup of the 22 dams located in the County. Commissioner Kirkham seconded the motion and the motion passed with a 5-0 vote.

—County Sheriff John Windham gave the Sheriff's Report for the month of June. Commissioner Hicks made a motion to accept the Sheriff's Report and Commissioner Windham seconded the motion. The motion carried with a 5-0 vote.

—After discussion with Jim Rector and Margo Vinson about

the Citizens EMS contract, action on the contract was tabled until July 30th.

—Commissioner Farmer made a motion to allow Judge Corn to okay payments, after approval by Engineer Johnny Tabor, on construction work done on the county roads covered by the Office of Rural Community Affairs (ORCA) Texas Community Development Program Grant #728237. There was a second by Commissioner Kirkham and the motion was approved with a 5-0 vote.

—Commissioner Farmer made a motion to accept the proposed effective tax rate of .32727¢ per \$100 of property value in the General Fund and .11638¢ per \$100 of property value for the Road & Bridge Fund for a com-

combined total tax rate of .44365¢ per \$100 of property value. Commissioner Kirkham seconded the motion and the motion carried with a 5-0 vote. Voting for the motion were: Judge Roger Corn; Commissioner Harold Hicks; Commissioner Bryan Farmer; Commissioner Tom Windham; and Commissioner Cliff Kirkham.

—Commissioner Kirkham made a motion to pay the approved bills. The motion was seconded by Judge Corn and was approved with a 5-0 vote.

—Commissioner Hicks made a motion to adjourn the commissioners' court meeting at 10:44 a.m. Commissioner Kirkham seconded the motion and the motion was approved with a 5-0 vote.

## Commissioners approve resolution to repeal oil & gas market condition factor

The Callahan County Commissioners' Court voted to adopt a resolution requesting the change or repeal a portion of the Texas Tax Code which provides the Texas Comptroller to calculate the 2009 oil and gas values on the market condition factor which favors oil and gas owners.

The commissioners' court took the action Monday, July 27th during a regular meeting of the commissioners' court. The motion to approve the non-binding resolution was made by Commissioner Harold Hicks and seconded by Commissioner Cliff Kirkham and approved with a unanimous 5-0 vote of the commissioners' court. The resolution follows:

### RESOLUTION Under-Valuation of Oil and Gas Properties

WHEREAS, the Texas State Comptroller's severance tax based interpretation of the Texas Tax Code Sec. 23.175 (Commonly known as the market condition factor) has been applied to the estimated 2009 tax valuations of counties in the State of Texas; and

WHEREAS, many counties receive the vast majority of their tax revenues from the county's oil and gas values; and

WHEREAS, the Texas State Comptroller's under-valuation of the market condition factor favors oil and gas owners to the detriment of all other taxpayers;

and WHEREAS, these counties will be adversely and catastrophically affected by the market condition factor as interpreted by Texas Comptroller's office; and

WHEREAS, these counties will be unable to fund essential county government services under the Comptroller's current interpretation of the market condition factor;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that Callahan County requests that the Texas Legislature address the Comptroller's interpretation of the Texas Tax Code Sec. 23.175 (market condition factor) and its effect on the oil and gas values in counties in the State of Texas and make all efforts to change or repeal Texas Tax Code Sec. 23.175 to bring all Texas taxpayers into an equitable position.

SIGNED and Approved on this the 27th day of July, 2009

(s) Roger Corn  
County Judge  
(s) Harold Hicks  
Commissioner Precinct #1  
(s) Bryan Farmer  
Commissioner Precinct #2  
(s) Tom Windham  
Commissioner Precinct #3  
(s) Cliff Kirkham  
Commissioner Precinct #4  
Attest:  
(s) Donna Bell,  
County Clerk

## Nimrod Baptist Church VBS

G'Day Mate! The Nimrod Baptist Church would like to invite all kidaroos (children that is) ages 3 through 6th grade to climb aboard the Boomerang Express for a day of fun and adventure in the land Down Under, Saturday, August 8th. They will have a great day of

exciting Bible stories, crafts, recreation and snacks. Registration begins at 8:45 a.m. Dismissal 3:00 p.m. For more information call Sharron McCulloch 254-442-2176, Glenda Shawver 254-725-6561 or Wanda Blackwell 254-6395.

## Reserve Seats for Football Season Go On Sale AUGUST 15TH

Reserve seats for the upcoming football season at Cross Plains I.S.D. will go on sale August 15, 2009, at the Buffaloes' first scrimmage. After August 15th, they will be sold at the Superintendent's office.

REMEMBER this school year is Homecoming, so please take care of this as soon as possible. The price is the same \$5.00 per seat for a year. This only pays for your seat, not admission to the game.

## It's Time for Summer High School Band Rehearsals

The time has come once again for summer band! Where did the summer go? I hope everyone had a great vacation!!

Summer band rehearsals will officially begin on August 10th and runs Monday through Friday (August 10-14 and August 17-21).

The first week we will start with sectionals just as we did this past year. Flutes will begin at 9 a.m. and rehearse until 10:30 a.m.

Clarinets and saxophones will begin at 10:30 a.m. and rehearse until noon. All brass instruments will rehearse from 1:00 p.m. until 2:30 p.m. I will adjust any rehearsals times as needed.

The second week we will be rehearsing together from 6:00 p.m. until 9 p.m.

I know there will be cheerleading and football practices going on, so we will work around your schedules as

much as possible.

Remember you must complete all hours of summer band to be eligible to go on our annual spring trip.

I look forward to having another great year at C.P.H.S. Have fun and be safe. See you soon!!

If you have questions, call 325-669-0569.

Submitted by  
Matt Sowell  
Band Director

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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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### COTTONWOOD BAPTIST CHURCH

Sunday School...9:45 AM  
 Morning Worship...11:00 AM  
 Evening Service...6:00 PM  
 Wednesday Bible Study & Prayer Time...7:00 PM

**Matt McGowen, Pastor (254) 725-4599**

Friendly Church Church (254) 725-6266 Bible Teaching

### Brushy Creek Cowboy Church

112 W. Travis in Putnam

**Pastor: Sam Stone**

Sunday Morning Worship...10:30 AM  
 Wednesday Worship...7:00 PM

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16075 CR 459 Cross Plains, Texas

**Pastor: LEN SMITH**

For Information  
 Call 254-725-6446 or 325-518-5514

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### Triple Cross Cowboy Church

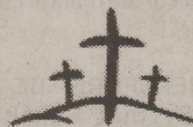
Every Sunday at 10:30 am

Services held at 21272 State Hwy 279, Cross Plains  
 (CJS Ranch, on the left just past the 279/206 split)

**Al Taylor, Preacher**

Phone: 254-725-7522

Cell Phone: 325-370-6680



### Pioneer Baptist Church

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

## OBITUARY



### Edgar Garvin "Ted" Walker

Edgar Garvin "Ted" Walker went home to be with his Lord July 21, 2009.

Funeral services were held Friday, July 24, 2009, at 4:00 p.m. at First United Methodist Church in Rankin with Pastor Randy Bush officiating. Burial was at the Rankin Cemetery. Pallbearers were great-grandsons, Cole Porter, Braden Porter, Cory Porter, Ryan Dupriest, Tyler Dupriest, Laramie Coggan, Kyle Coggan, Christian Coggan and Bryan Wilson.

Ted was born July 3, 1922, the youngest son of V.C. Walker Sr. and Leta Bell Edwards Walker in Cross Plains, where he was raised. He joined the navy December 20, 1942, and was a member of the CB's. He was sent to the Southwest Pacific and was discharged on February 26, 1946. After his discharge, Ted attended and graduated from North Texas University. He received a BS degree in secondary education with a specialty in math and science. He began his teaching career in Baird, where he taught math and science, and coached basketball, and assisted coaching football. He then moved to Colorado City and later to Rankin, where he met the love of his life, Johnnie Ruth Hill Gary. They were married August 15, 1956. He later became junior high principal for Rankin ISD, a position he held until his retirement.

Ted was preceded in death by his wife, Johnnie Ruth, his parents, two brothers, S.A. Walker and Clyde Walker Jr., two sisters, Mildred Browning and Ava Childers, and a step-son, James Wallace Gary. Ted and his step-son Wallace Gary joined the Masonic Lodge and enjoyed the time they spent in the lodge and the wonderful journey.

He is survived by his step-daughter, Nancy Tierce and husband Charles; his step-daughter-in-law, Carol Gary; four granddaughters, Sherry Porter and husband Bruce; Sandra Wilson and husband Allen, Christy Dupriest and husband Gary and Tracy Coggan and husband Kent; 13 great-grandchildren; two great-great-grandchildren; and numerous nieces and nephews.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be sent to First United Methodist of Rankin or Hospice of Midland, P.O. Box 2621, Midland, TX 79702.

Arrangements are under the direction of Shaffer-Nichols Funeral Home of Crane.

## Callahan County DPS Report

Calls received by the Callahan County Department of Public Safety from July 18, 2009 through July 25, 2009 include:

**Cases Investigated**  
 Warnings—51  
 Complaints—18  
 DWI—1  
 Public Intoxication—1

### Vehicle Accidents

There were four vehicle accidents investigated during this time span.

## Apply for Helping Hearts and Hands Assistance NOW!

Is your home in need of minor repairs: painting, plumbing, insulations and caulking?

The Cross Plains Area Housing Initiative would like to extend a hand to assist you with the help you might need. Free assistance is available to homeowners who are elderly, handicapped and/or low income.

Applications are available now at the Senior Citizens' Center, Texas Heritage Bank and City Hall.

**The application deadline will be the end of September** and if you need any assistance filling out the application, please call **Pat Stephens 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 are looking forward to this year's endeavor. If you have any questions or would like information, please contact **Roxie Thomas 254-725-6141** or **Pat Stephens 254-725-6819**.

## Want To Write Your Elected Officials?

Here are their addresses:

Austin

**Rick Perry**, Governor, Room 200, State Capitol, Austin, TX. 78711.

**Harvey Hilderbran**, State Representative, P.O. Box 2910, Austin, TX 78768-2910. Phone 512-463-0536.

**Troy Fraser**, Texas Senate District 24, P.O. Box 12068, Austin, TX 78711 or call 512-463-0124.

Washington

**Barack Obama**, President of the United States, The White House, Washington, D.C. 20000.

**Randy Neugebauer**, Congressman, 19th Texas District, 429 Cannon HOB, Washington, D.C. 20515. Phone 325-675-9779. For email access, go to <http://www.house.gov/neugebauer> and click on the appropriate link.

**John Cornyn**, 517 Hart Senate Building, Washington, D.C. 20510. Phone 202/224-2934. Fax 202/228-2856. For email access, go to <http://Cornyn.Senate.gov>

**Kay Bailey Hutchison**, 284 Russell Senate Office Building, Washington, D.C. 20510. Phone 202/224-5922. Fax 202/224-0776. For email go to <http://Hutchison.Senate.gov>

## COURTHOUSE NEWS

### COUNTY COURTHOUSE

**Roger Corn, Presiding**

### Misdemeanor Minutes

Israel Delagarza, plea of guilty to theft, 15 days in jail, \$235 court costs.

### 42nd DISTRICT COURT

**John Weeks, presiding**

### Criminal Indictments

Shanna Jones, tampering with a governmental record.

### Criminal Minutes

Amelia D. Kinser, order amending conditions of probation and order releasing from substance abuse felony punishment facility granted.

Charles D. Reutter, order amending conditions of probation granted.

Jeff R. Honea, order amending conditions of probation granted.

Deborah Sellers, order amending conditions of probation granted.

Dustin K. Kitchens, order amending conditions of probation granted.

Shanna Jones, motion to dismiss to tampering with a governmental record granted in the interest of justice.

### Civil Filings

Texas Department of Transportation vs. Armondo Carreon, damages.

In Re: order for foreclosure concerning Teodora Mendez aka Teodora Moreno Mendez and 316 Stella Ave., Baird, Tx. 79504 and Deutsche Bank National Trust Company, foreclosure.

21st Mortgage Corp., successor in interest to Chase Manhattan Bank USA, NA c/o CMMK vs. Lia Adams and Becky McKibben, default on note.

CACH, LLC vs. Robert Keith, default on note.

### Civil Minutes

Miguel Angel Cerda and Erika Ovalle, divorce granted.

Shari Michelle Labonte and Mark Alvin Labonte, divorce granted.

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Sunday School 9:30AM

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## First Presbyterian Church

Sunday Service 9:00 AM

Music- Connie Swift

& Betty Lewis

Lead Singers: Rhonda Swift

Amanda Sowell

Matt Sowell

**Pastor Kathy Monroe**

**208 N. Ave. D**

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## First Baptist Church

Sunday School

9:30 am

**Sunday**

**Morning**

**Worship**

10:45 am

**Sunday**

**Evening Worship**

6:30 pm

**Wednesday**

6:30 pm Prayer/Worship

Youth Bible Study 6:30 pm

Children Choir 6:30 pm

**Ronnie B. White, Pastor**

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

## ROBERT E. M<sup>c</sup>COOL ATTORNEY AT LAW

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BAIRD, TEXAS 79504

**(325) 854-1016**

## Seminary Extension Course to Begin August 25th

This fall we are studying BB 3100 *How To Understand The Bible*, a 3 hour course using the *Understanding the Bible* by John Stott and *The Doctrine of the Bible* by David Dockery with an additional book by Bruce Corley and associates *Biblical Hermeneutics*.

We meet in De Leon on Tuesday evenings and Breckenridge on Thursdays. The course will begin August 25th and

end November 29, 2009.

If you are interested in joining this course notify Baylis Pope at, 254-725-7749. We are officially an association seminary extension center of the Cross Timbers Southern Baptist Association, affiliated with the Southern Baptist Convention of Texas and the SBC.

Submitted by  
 Baylis Pope

## COTTONWOOD NEWS

WALLACE BENNETT

### Cottonwood Roundup

Members of the Cottonwood Volunteer Fire Control Unit recently responded to a fire west of the Caddo Peak.

Beverly Brown, President of the Cottonwood Historical Association, says she will call a meeting of the board to discuss plans for homecoming on September 19, 2009. The date coincides with the Cross Plains High School reunion, and it is expected that all the former residents of Cottonwood, and especially those who went to school here, will also visit their hometown.

Recent visitors to the Cottonwood Cemetery include Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Joy and family of Odessa. Beverly Brown stated that the family bought seven copies of the Cottonwood Cookbook.

Mr. and Mrs. Ted Wilson and family of Seattle, Washington also visited the cemetery. The family is kin to Mr. Bob Norrell, a former resident of Cottonwood, later the Callahan County Clerk,

and then President of the bank in Baird.

### Craziest City in America

Carol and I have been in San Antonio this past week and according to a boat driver on the San Antonio River a few night ago, this is the oldest city in American, except one, San Augustine, Florida, being that exception. Carol was working there that week and I was loafing, sort of.

San Antonio has got to be the craziest city in America. None of the streets are parallel and all seem to be converging on an invisible spot that never comes in view. It is very easy to get lost, at least, we kept passing the same buildings when we were trying to go somewhere. Finally, we were forced to purchase a GPS to find ourselves.

Ted Ivy says the streets followed old cattle trails looking for a water hole.

We stayed in the "Historic" O'Brien Hotel and it must be the smallest hotel in the world. It was

built in the early 1900's and was remodeled in 2003. It is very neat, clean, up-to-date with all the modern amenities.

There are only 39 rooms and 30 parking spaces. First come, first serve rule was in force. People who got in late had to drive around all night.

A historical statement found in the room says that the O'Brien Hotel has retained its old-world charm to reflect the ambience of the city that has been made famous for its history and culture, and is modeled after the old style, boutique hotels found throughout Europe. Now who would want not to stay in this hotel, it simply oozes with old-world culture.

And we did get to visit with two former Cottonwood natives, Dorothy and Grady Ramey and Ted and Dee Ivy, while in San Antonio and Kerrville on our way home.

(Call me at 254-7257474 or e-mail [csb555dishmail.net](mailto:csb555dishmail.net) with news about Cottonwood.)

## LIBRARY NOTES

July 20-24, 2009

Patrons:	121
Books Checked Out:	170
Programs:	37
Summer Reading Program	31
Other	6
Copies:	32
Reference:	6
Internet Users:	65
Interlibrary Loans:	0

### Donations:

Rocking S.O.B. Ranch  
Carol Walt  
Curt and Ginny Hoskins

### Memorials:

Phyllis Harris - In Memory of Lou Rodenberger, Jimmielee Payne, Erma Payne, Dorothy Odum and Ellowayne Tatom

### Volunteers:

Ann Etta Dunning  
Brenda Crawford  
Jeri Wilson  
Suzy Stiver-Nash  
Arlene Stephenson  
Sue Bennett  
Michael Ellis  
Michelle Kaiser  
Wilma Lawrence  
Henry Ring

### Books Donated:

Jana Hinkle  
Ginny Hoskins  
Sue Bennett

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

### Angelfood Ministries now Taking Orders at the Senior Center

If you would like to order Angelfood, you may place your order at the Senior Center! The Center is open Monday through Friday, from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. for your convenience.

The deadline to order is August 15, and pickup will be August 29. The pickup will be at the Center from 9 a.m. to 9:30 a.m. If you have not tried Angelfood before, come by and look at the menu and try it for a month!

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### Home Delivered Meals Needed?

Do you know someone that would benefit from a Home Delivered Meal?

The Cross Plains Senior Citizen Center would always like to know if you or someone you know would benefit from a Home Delivered Meal. The meals are delivered Monday-Friday from 11:45-12:45pm. A hot, nutritious, and delicious meal is available for those who qualify. Please feel free to call the Center Monday-Friday from 9:00am - 2:00 pm to see if we can help. 254-725-6521

### Alcoholics Anonymous Meetings

Alcoholics Anonymous meetings are now being held every Tuesday and Thursday from 6:00 to 7:00 p.m. at the Cross Plains Church of Christ Activity Center on East Highway 36.

For additional information, contact Claude at 254-725-4641 or Diana at 254-725-4670.

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## SENIOR CITIZEN CENTER ACTIVITIES:

BY AMBER THOMAS

### WEEKLY ACTIVITIES

**Monday, 3rd** - Movie Day @ 10:00am / Cokes, Popcorn & Coke Floats @ 12:30pm  
**Tuesday, 4th** - Exercise Class @ 11:00 am  
**Wednesday, 5th** - Nutrition Education  
**Thursday, 6th** - Computer Class @ 10:30 am / Free Manicures @ 10:30 am / Exercise Classes- 11:00am  
**Friday, 7th** - Melody McWilliams will sale stamps and other supplies from the CP Post Office / BINGO 11:15

### Coupon Corner at the Senior Center

Do you have coupons that you do not use? A sweet lady from the community, Geneva Nelson has started a Coupon Corner at the Center for the seniors in the community! There is a table with baskets to sort coupons for the seniors to use. With the economy like it is what a great way to save

money by using coupons. This really helps our seniors, since so many are on a fixed income. So if you have coupons from the Sunday paper, and don't plan on using them, drop them by the Center and we can put them to use!

### Senior Center has 6 computers up and running!

The Senior Center has 6 computers available to any senior to use. You may use the internet, play computer games, make a document or even setup an email account. They are available Monday-Friday from 9:00am - 2:00am. The computers were donated by the Texas Department of Criminal Justice Computer Recovery Program out of Snyder. They did not have any programs on them when the Center received them but thanks to a GREAT couple in the community, Jerry and Chris Biggerstaff, they have

worked many hours to get programs installed and wired the computers to be ready to use for a computer class Jerry taught on July 23. All six computers were full! If you would like to join a future computer class please call the Center. They will be each Thursday starting at 10:30am. Classes can be as basic or advanced as needed. What a great opportunity for the Seniors in the community to learn computer skills! A BIG THANKS AGAIN FOR THE BIGGERSTAFF'S!!

### Monthly Pool Tournament August 11th

The Senior Center will have its monthly pool tournament on August 11, beginning at 5:30 p.m. You may come as early as 4:30 p.m. to practice and then the fun begins. Men, women and children of all ages are welcome to participate.

The Champ to beat this month,

if possible, is Bob Caret, with Hunter Thomas coming in 2nd place!

Come join some real pros and try to win a prize! There is no cost to the tournament, if you would like to make donation to the center you may do so.

## Farmers Market

Do you have an abundance of fruits and vegetables from your garden? The Center has a table that is designed for produce for the Seniors. If you have extra gar-

den items please bring them to the center and we will put them out to help our seniors get fresh fruits and vegetables.

### Fundraiser Garage Sale Set for Saturday, August 15

The Senior Center will have a slae on August 15, beginning at 8:00 a.m. You will also have the chance to fill a sack at 10 a.m. for \$3.00 and noon for \$1.50.

Come and shop for a good

cause, your seniors! Volunteers will also be needed as soon as lunch is over on Friday to help sort sale items. If you are able to help, please call the Center and let us know!

## SENIOR CITIZENS MENU

AUGUST 3 -7

**MONDAY**-German Sausage, Tea/Coffee  
Potatoes, Peas/Carrots, Bread & Dessert, Milk/Tea/Coffee  
**TUESDAY**-Ham, Sweet Coffee/Milk  
Potatoes, Spinach, Bread & FRIDAY- Salmon Patties, Scalloped Potatoes, Mix Vegetables, Bread & Dessert, Milk/Tea/Coffee  
**WEDNESDAY**-Chicken Salad Sandwich, Copper Carrots, Pear & Cottage Cheese, Dessert, Milk/  
2nd & 4th Tue., Domino Night (42/84) 4:00 - 8:00 p.m.

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## RISING STAR NURSING HOME

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NEW AFHGAN— Audrey Dyer's grandson delivered the gift made by Audrey's friend.

Have any of you ever had a Christmas in July??? Well, let me tell you if you haven't, you are really missing out on a lot of fun. We decided to try it and WOW!!!! We had the residents pick something from their room they would love to give someone else to enjoy.

Then we assisted with the wrapping of that gift. Now we did this with old newspaper (helping to recycle) and pretty ribbons. We

put numbers into a basket and each resident picked a number.

Then the fun really began. Each resident got to go and pick up a present in the order of the number they had chosen. It was great to see what everyone got/gave.

We REALLY had a great time and this is surely one event we will continue to do each year.

One of our residents, Audrey Dyer, was blessed with a new

Afghan last week that one of her dear friends made for her. Her son and great-grandson brought it to her and you would have thought the earth stood still.

Last week we were blessed once again with Patty and Allen Davis bringing us fresh cantaloupe. The fresh fruit was served and enjoyed by all. Thank you once again Patty and Allen for sharing with us from your garden.

We had our monthly birthday party last week and a fun time was had by all. The resident birthdays were Margaret Blanton on the 11th and Virginia Payne's on the 16th. Our employee birthdays were Tammy Pelletier on the 10th; Cristin Butler on the 20th; Ginny Nieto on the 23rd; Jessica Nieto on the 24th, and Dona McIntire on the 30th. Though we did not have live entertainment (hint-hint), we enjoyed helping them celebrate their special days.

We ended the week by having an ice cream party. WOW!!!!

What fun we had. We made vanilla and peach ice cream. The vanilla was in the hand-cranked maker and the peach was in the electric maker.

One of our newer residents, Sallie Tepfer, told us that if we slowly hand-cranked the vanilla it would freeze faster. Sure enough, that is exactly what happened.

We all sampled a little of each and there were even some calls for seconds. As far as which one was best, it was pretty much a tie. This is another one of those things we will have to do again and I doubt if we make it till next July, probably later on in the summer.

On a more somber note, we lost Sue Landess last week. Sue was loved by all here and will be missed terribly. She is now with Jake and the Lord and is surely a very happy person.

So, till next time. May God bless and keep you.



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## BREAKTHRU

By Don Davis  
Cross Plains Church of Christ  
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### "Art of Giving Praise"

Psychologists tell us that one of the deepest urges in human nature is the craving to be appreciated. So, we contribute immeasurably to the happiness and success of others when we express appreciation for their work and worth.

We are also advised that the giving of sincere praise brings out outstanding benefits to the ones who give it. So, we contribute immeasurably to our own happiness and success when we express appreciation for others.

Observations teaches that the most successful people have mastered the art of giving praise. Giving honest praise is like "saying grace" at the table...very difficult to start, if it hasn't been our pattern. Here are some guidelines to get started.

1. Look for the little things for which you can express appreciation.
2. Look for things close at hand for which you can express appreciation.
3. Voice your appreciation.

It may be that one of the greatest desires you can perform this week will be speaking a word of appreciation.

I encourage you to join with us for worship and Bible Study this Sunday at the Cross Plains Church of Christ.

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.  
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## Baseball Tryout and Hitting Camp Schedules Announced for Coast to Coast Baseball

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 to the program, may choose to represent the USA in competition in Puerto Rico, or work with top college coaches and pro scouts at one of our Arizona or Florida Camp and Showcase events held at a MLB spring-training complex.

In addition to the tryout, an instructional hitting camp will be held the same day. The goal of the camp is to help players improve hitting fundamentals as well as their mental approach at the plate.

Events will be held at:  
**University of Dallas @ Irving**  
 Irving, Texas  
 Monday, August 10 at 10 a.m.

**St. Edwards University**  
 Austin, Texas  
 Saturday, August 15 at 10 a.m.

**McMurtry University**  
 Abilene, Texas  
 Saturday, August 29 at 10 a.m.

**Spring Westfield HS**  
 Spring, Texas  
 Wednesday, August 12 at 10 a.m.

**Pittman-Sullivan Field**  
 San Antonio, Texas  
 Saturday, August 22 at 10 a.m.

Visit their website for further directions:  
[www.CoastToCoastAthletics.com](http://www.CoastToCoastAthletics.com)

Since the summer of 2001, nearly 2000 athletes (ages 11-12, 13-15, and 16-18) from 46 different states have participated in the Coast to Coast Baseball program. Their alumni now compete at every level of collegiate baseball ...and even professionally.

For more information, players and parents can visit our website. Register for one or both events on our website or by calling our office at 740-373-4455.

## West Texas Fair 4-H Meat Pen Show Deadline is August 13<sup>th</sup>

The deadline for entering the West Texas Fair 4-H Jr. Rabbit Show is August 13<sup>th</sup>. The Jr. Rabbit show will be held on Saturday, September 19, 2009. The event is sponsored by Acco Farm & Ranch Center and Milliorn Rabbitry.

**\*\*FAIR SPECIAL:** Purchase single rabbits from Milliorn Rabbitry for \$25 each.

This is a carrying cage show. No other cages will be available.

All rabbits must be bona fide property of the exhibitor and must be owned by the exhibitor at least 45 days prior to the day of the show.

If you are interested in entering in the Jr. Rabbit Show, please contact the Callahan County Extension office at (325)854-5835.

Submitted by: Hoss Sasin, CEA-Ag

## It's time to start getting 4-H project ready for West Texas Fair

The West Texas Fair is just around the corner. Now is the time to start getting those 4-H projects ready to enter. There are a lot of different divisions you can enter. They include: Animals, Clothing and Textiles, Photography, Food and Nutrition, Crafts and many more. You can find the entry information and rules on the Taylor County Expo Center Website, [www.taylorcountypocenter.com](http://www.taylorcountypocenter.com).

If you plan to enter a 4-H project in the West Texas Fair, please come by or call the Extension Office so that we will know who plans to participate.

All entries for the Jr. Steer, Jr. Breeding Cattle and Jr. Breeding Sheep are due in the Extension Office by August 11<sup>th</sup>.

If you have any questions please contact The Extension Office. (325) 854-5835

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## SUBMIT YOUR SCHOOL DAY PHOTOS AND MEMORY STORIES FOR PUBLICATION

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CLASS OF 1942— Frances Pierce Galloway (from left), Virginia White Foreman, Mary Jane Stafford Barclay, Wallace Bennett, Juanite Burks Hoover, Harold White, Kathryn Anderson Walden, Donnel Clark, Ben Wagner (deceased), Jack Ripper (deceased), and Bill Russell (deceased).



CROSS PLAINS JUNIOR CLASS PLAY—Sometime in the 1970's.

## 2009-2010 4-H Sheep & Goat Tag Orders

2009-2010 Sheep & Goat Tag orders are due to the Extension office by August 24th. If you plan on showing Market Lambs or Market Meat goats at the local, county or major shows you must call in your tag order no later than August 24th. Major show tags are \$7.00/tag and County tags are only \$3.00/tag.

All tag orders must be paid for by August 31st!

Contact The Extension Office to place your tag orders at 325-854-5835.

Submitted by:  
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Cross Plains Ex Students Association

Invites You To Join Us At

## HOMECOMING 2009

The scheduled events for the weekend are as follows:

Tuesday, September 15, 2009

6:00 pm Community Hot Dog Supper

Friday, September 18, 2009

7:30 pm Pep Rally Football Field honoring the State Finalist

Baseball Teams

9:00 pm Kickoff Party and Dance Treadway Park with the band

Southbound

Saturday, September 19, 2009

9:00 - 11:00 am Coffee & Registration - High School Library

11:00 - 11:30 am Business Meeting - Auditorium

11:30 Lunch in Lunchroom Sponsored by the Band Boosters

2:00 pm Parade Downtown (Coming Home King & Queen will be honored)

Immediately following the parade we invite you to visit

Veteran's Memorial

3:30 pm Class Meetings

7:30 pm FOOTBALL GAME

9:00 pm After Game Coffee - High School Library

9:00 pm Dance Treadway Park with the band Southbound

Please indicate your King and Queen nominations from the 20's - 90's on your registration. We will announce this during the business meeting.

Ex-Student Association:

Rusty Reed, President	254-725-7363
Greg Turner, Vice President	254-725-7755
Connie Roby Kirkham, Secretary/Treasurer	254-725-6500
Dannes Dickson Turner, Registration	254-725-7755
Connie Roby Kirkham, Morning Coffee	254-725-6500
Susan McNeel & Roxie McConal Thoams, Parade	254-725-6498
	254-725-6436 (Deadline 9-14-09)
Charlou Richardson Cowan, Class Meeting	254-725-6652
Debbie Tyler Reed, Coronation	254-725-7363
Bobbie Lou Wooten Hinkle, After Game Coffee	254-725-6792
Rusty Reed, Dance	254-725-7363
Vanda Anderson, Publicity	254-725-6111

There is a lot of hard work and planning involved in this weekend. We do it for YOU. YOU will be missed if you do not attend.

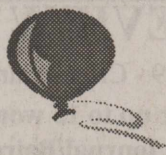
Due to the increase cost of postage and expenses, there will be a registration fee of \$5.00. Please make checks payable to the Cross Plains Ex-Students.

Please detach and return the following registration if you plan to attend Homecoming 2009 or register online at [CrossPlainsExes.com](http://CrossPlainsExes.com).

Class Year \_\_\_\_\_  
 Name (Including Maiden Name) \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address \_\_\_\_\_  
 I would like to Nominate:  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Class of \_\_\_\_\_ for King and \_\_\_\_\_ Class of \_\_\_\_\_ for Queen

Please return to: Dannes Dickson Turner, P.O. Box 323, Cross Plains, Tx 76443  
 The last several years have been financially challenging for the Cross Plains Ex-Students. An donations will be very much appreciated.

# HAPPY BIRTHDAY



**AUGUST 1**  
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Mrs. N.L. Long, Jr.  
Freddy Lane  
Timothy Strickland  
Rene Gary Baize  
Mrs. Jess Bigbee  
Mike Montgomery  
Mrs. H.G. Thornton  
Teresa (Merrill) Koenig  
Bertha Hutchins Calderon

Michael Tennison  
Coby Brandon Childers  
Sharron Reddick  
Michelle Calhoun  
Austin Hines  
Gail Webb  
Eric Sims  
David Bennett  
Gregg Weiss  
Phillip Bennett  
Mrs. Helda Ellis  
Tatym Elyce Shaw  
Marvin Mosley

**AUGUST 2**  
Lee Ann Burleson  
Coby Wayne Kelly  
Sharon Newman  
Bobby Hutchins  
Ronnie Letney  
Jerry Bennett  
Mrs. Henry Ring  
Sabrenia Hutchins  
Vickie Lynn Williams  
Debby Whiteley

**AUGUST 5**  
Donna Brown Grider  
Loula Smith  
Gaynelle Baum  
Daniel Grissom  
Mrs. Ethel Bush  
Courtney (Kirkham) Arbour  
Charlie Ross  
Susan (Porter) Beifus

**AUGUST 3**  
Sue Edington Branch  
Eddie Weiss  
Donald Ingram  
C. Raymond Woody III  
Roxie (McConal) Thomas  
Julie (Morgan) Reed  
Cindi (Garrett) Estes  
Terri J. Duncan

**AUGUST 6**  
Nicki (Beggs) Higgins  
Jess Watkins  
Tammy Brown  
Albert (Butch) Wilson  
Gary Gilland  
Charlotte (Letney) Townson

**AUGUST 4**  
Jonathan Hamilton/Merryman  
Dorothy Tonne  
Carroll Rhodes  
Jim Nabers  
Walter Lee Wilson  
Phil Harris  
Kyle McClure

**AUGUST 7**  
Michael Hogrell  
Larry Boyles  
Martha Duncan  
Walter Graham  
Joe Hennessey  
Ronald Todd Jordan  
Fred Magnus  
Luis Fernando  
Bryan Switzer  
Luis Monrreal  
Damon Gage Preston

To get your name on the Birthday Column, send your name and date of birth to *The Cross Plains Review*, P.O. Box 519, Cross Plains, Texas 76443. There is no charge for this service. To delete a name due to death or other reasons send name and birth date (Month and Day) or Call 254-725-6111

## Immunization Clinic in Callahan County Announced

Texas Department of State Health Services announce the Immunization Clinics in Callahan County as follows:

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

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

**Wednesday, August 12th**  
Clyde First Baptist Church  
216 Austin  
10 a.m. - 12 noon  
and  
1:30 - 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.

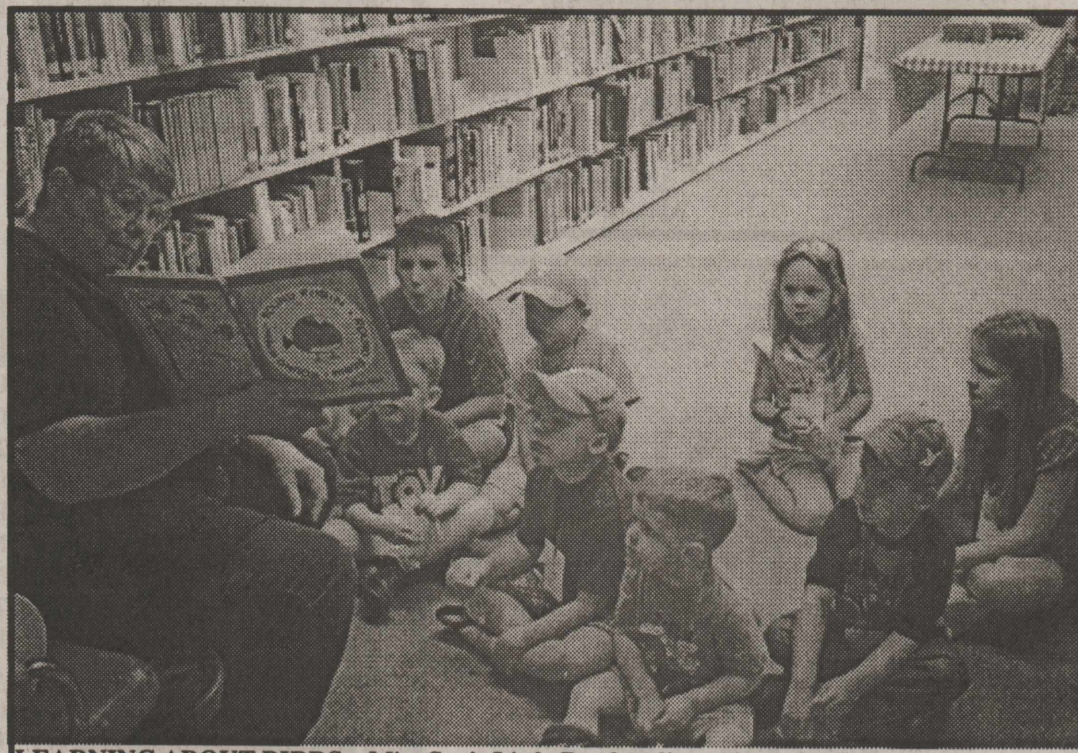
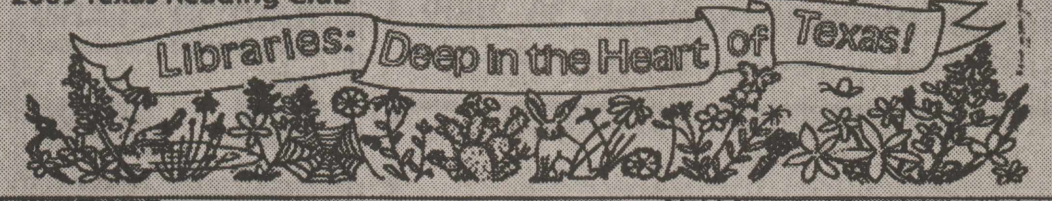
## Vacation Bible School at Rising Star Church of Christ Starts August 3rd

The Rising Star Church of Christ presents "Riders of the Great Roundup", August 3-6, Monday-Thursday evenings from 6:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. Children 2 years through sixth grade are invited to attend.

In this life-changing adventure you will be discovering the true purpose by identifying God's blessings through Christ's parables. This VBS series is about learning how we can use all that God has given us.

The Great Roundup of the parables are used for God's purpose and glory in our daily life. We call this "Christian Example". Snacks and crafts are made available.

## 2009 Texas Reading Club



LEARNING ABOUT BIRDS—Miss Sue's Little Readers listen intently.

The children who attended last Wednesday's Summer Reading Program at the Cross Plains Public Library got to meet some new friends! The friends were dogs who had been trained at US Tactical K9, Inc. to do special searches for contraband and/or narcotics. The US Tactical K9 Private Investigations began as a K9 Search and Rescue unit and expanded to offer many services to the public and law enforcement agencies.

Brenda Crawford brought her dog Jewel, a Corgi terrier mix, and explained about the training of her dog and the tasks she is able to do.

Jeri Wilson and her dog Belle,

a Jack Russell terrier known for their ability to flush out their quarry, demonstrated her special talents.

Ann Etta Dunning had Ditto, a very large Giant German Schnauzer, who was very easy going and loved showing the children the techniques of his training.

Each of these dogs was very well behaved and very smart. The handlers assured the kids that their own pets were smart too, and could be trained to do many things. Rewards, treats and at-boys are very important to the training of the dogs.

An additional demonstration was done outside where the

dogs took turns checking a car for illegal contraband and drugs. Fortunately, none were found, but it was very interesting to see how they check each and every part of the automobile.

Miss Sue's Little Readers learned and heard stories about several kinds of birds. Miss Sue treated the children to a snack of bird's eggs! (It was really peanut M&M's). Their craft of the day was making an owl puppet.

We have had a wonderful summer with many exciting programs, thanks to all the many volunteers who shared their time and talents with our library children.

## Back to school vaccination clinics scheduled at Mall of Abilene

School starts August 24th around this area, so it is time to update all our kids' immunizations and beat the back to school rush!! The Big Country Immunization Coalition will be offering FREE "Back to School" Immunizations at the Mall of Abilene, on Monday, August 3, 2009 from 4:00 to 7:00 p.m.

The state of Texas revised the immunization requirements in March 2009 to more closely match recommendations by the U.S. Center for Disease Control and Prevention and the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices. These changes go into effect August

1, 2009. "Vaccination requirements are reviewed about every four years because there are always new vaccines coming online," said Emily Palmer, spokeswoman for the Texas Department of State Health Services. Requirements for students

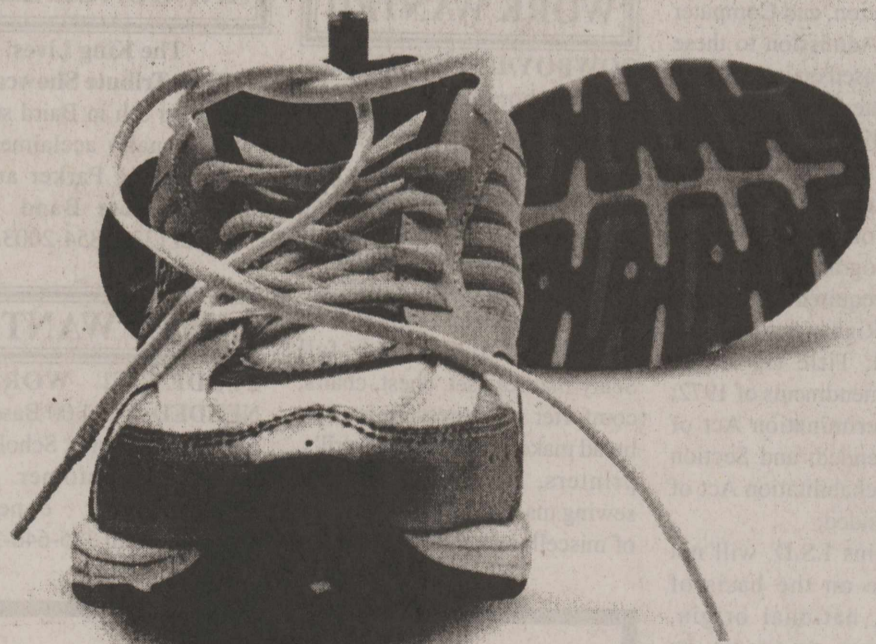
entering kindergarten, seventh grade and in high school will affect hepatitis A; measles, mumps, rubella (MMR); varicella (chicken pox); tetanus, diphtheria, acellular pertussis; and meningococcal vaccines. Area school Districts will not allow new students to enroll with missing vaccinations nor will returning students be allowed to begin the new school year with missing vaccinations, according to the school's websites. Parents of school age

children are encouraged to check with their physicians to ensure their children are up to date.

Parents can also take their children to the Abilene Taylor County Health Department or visit this clinic at the Mall of Abilene on August 3, 2009.

The Big Country Immunization Coalition will be at the mall from 4PM - 7PM, reviewing students' records and offering FREE immunizations. Just look for the Abilene Care Van.

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## Local Masons install Officers

Officers of Cross Plains Lodge #627 and Baird Lodge #522 were installed into their offices and stations on July 9, 2009 at 7:30 p.m. in a joint installation at Cross Plains Lodge.

Installing officer was Past

Master Allen Barnett assisted by Past Master Larry Rice as installing Marshal.

A point of interest: without Mason, there would not be a Scottish Rite Hospital for children, Shrine Burn Center for

children or Knights Templar eye center. If you know a child that needs help, please contact a Mason. Remember to be one, ask one.

## Callahan County Sheriff's Department Recovered a Stolen Truck in Abilene

On July 7, 2009 at 9:48 a.m., the Callahan County Sheriff's Office received a call of a stolen pickup truck from County Road 283 in Baird. Deputy Underwood responded to the call, and after getting the information on the truck contacted On-Star who was able to locate the truck in Abilene. The truck was located and stopped by the Abilene Police Department on Old Anson Rd. and Oakland Dr. at

about 11:15 a.m.

The driver of the truck was identified as Deanna Aaron Lopez age 23 of Abilene. The truck was recovered but had several items missing including a toolbox with numerous tools from the bed of the truck.

Deanna was transported from Abilene to Callahan County Jail where she was charged with theft greater than \$20,000 but less than \$100,000 and bond amount was set at \$5,000.

## "Elvis" Imitator to Perform in Baird

Las Vegas style entertainment is coming to Baird September 5th, featuring Kriag Parker with a two-hour Elvis Presley tribute that has been stunning audiences around the world.

Parker, with the Royal Tribute Band and Orchestra, has been hailed as the premier Elvis imitator from Las Vegas to London. He has been joined on stage and endorsed by Elvis' original singers including the Jordanaires, The Stamps Quartet and the Sweet Inspirations. He is managed by Charles Stone Management. Stone was the tour producer for Elvis from 1972 until 1977.

Baird Chamber of Commerce and sponsors are hosting the show at the Baird High School Auditorium. Chamber President Rick McElmurray said, "We are extremely

fortunate to have entertainment of this caliber."

Concert goers are amazed at Parker's uncanny likeness to Presley's look, vocal style and charisma. A Chamber spokesperson said the best evidence of Parker's popularity is seen in the number of people from around the area who have seen one of his performances and are buying tickets for the Baird concert.

Tickets are \$20.00 per person for the 7:00 p.m. performance. For tickets or information call the Chamber office at 325-854-2003 or Nancy at 325-854-1212. Tickets are also available from board members Rick McElmurray, Pat Parker, Donna Bell, Nancy Turnbow, Barbara Corn, Melba Defosses, Walt Tollett, Trudy Burks, Jason Martin and Felix Manion.

## The Doctors Prescription for Health

Column written by Albert M. Kincheloe DO Medical Director  
Cross Plains Community Health Center, 200 N. Main St., Cross Plains, TX 76443. 254-725-6111

### I WONDER IF I HAVE A BAD GALLBLADDER!

Quite often, a patient will come to the clinic that is questioning the possibility that their gallbladder is not functioning as it should. Certainly, a poorly functioning gallbladder is a relatively common health problem that the average medical provider deals with. Because the occurrence of a problematic gallbladder is relatively common, reviewing some information about this condition is a good idea.

In Texas, we live in an area where gallbladder disease is really common. There is little question that certain dietary habits make one prone to developing this problem. However, just as important is likely nature of one's genetic backgrounds. An individual who is Hispanic or Eskimo will find that gallbladder disease is much more common in their family than say someone of Asian, Chinese or Japanese descent. These things being said, let us explore the symptoms accompanying a symptomatic abnormal gallbladder. When present, these symptoms should make a person consider the possibility that their gallbladder is possibly a problem.

Two conditions in particular may produce symptoms

leading to a medical workup for gallbladder disease. Importantly, many people have an abnormal gallbladder, yet never have symptoms of any kind. The two most common conditions that produce an alert to the possibility of a bad gallbladder are gallstones (cholelithiasis), and a condition of inflammation known to cholecystitis. The occurrence of gallstones as a culprit is pretty straightforward.

On the other hand, an inflamed gallbladder functions in a very poor fashion, reacting much more slowly when a person eats. In it's worse state, the gallbladder does not function much at all. The more the diet is high in fat, the greater the symptoms will become, once a person becomes symptomatic.

So, what are the symptoms that one should look for in this regard?

The most common symptoms of a gallbladder problem are bloating, abdominal discomfort (quite often in the right upper quadrant of the abdomen by the lowest ribs); increasing passing of gas, and nausea with or without vomiting. As the condition progresses, chest pain, shoulder pain, and back pain may all occur. Once the

problem becomes severe enough, the symptoms dramatically worsen and the person becomes extremely ill. At this point, a surgical emergence typically exists.

In medical school, we were taught that the classic patient suffering from a gallbladder problem was a female who was overweight, over forty, and was passing lots of gas. After many years of practice, this is certainly an over simplification of the "classic" patient. I have had one patient who was only 12 years old, yet had a very bad gallbladder! Her mother also had to have her gallbladder removed as a teenager.

So, the important thing is that if you, or someone that you know are dealing with the issues that have been discussed, and, especially if they are worsening, seek medical attention. The tests for an abnormal gallbladder are not complicated nor do they come with a burden of more pain to find an answer, as a rule. Until next time, here is to your health, happiness and peace! "Opportunity.... Often it comes disguised in the form of misfortune, or temporarily defeat."

Napoleon Hill

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## HORSEMAN'S CORNER

### Part II

So Let's Start on the Right Lead:

I'll collect my horse, get on a long straight line, and two-track toward the right. When I feel a supple rhythmic movement off my left leg pressure, I hold my reins slightly to the right, pull back, then on the down stride of the horse's front leg, I release my left leg. (I'll add my right leg if I'm riding a horse with limited

sensitivity to my leg.)

At this point, I maintain a straight line until the change is complete.

If things don't work out, I stop, rollback onto the right lead again, and repeat the drill.

When in doubt, slow down and work individually on the three parts until you and your horse have a better understanding of this incremental process.

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## Texas Workforce Commission Will Expedite Payments of State Extended Benefits

Eligible Texans to Begin Receiving Extended Unemployment Benefits by July 31st

AUSTIN - The Texas Workforce Commission (TWC) today announced that it will begin paying benefits to jobless Texans who qualify for 13 weeks of state extended benefits by the end of July. TWC will begin sending letters to claimants beginning July 24, 2009 with instructions on how to file for the new extension. A dedicated telephone hot line will be established to take claims.

At the direction of the governor, TWC worked this week with the U.S. Department of Labor (DOL) to expedite payments for eligible Texans after realizing it would have taken months to reprogram computers to address the extensive eligibility and reporting requirements.

"Earlier this week upon learning that extensive federal eligibility verification and reporting requirements could delay extended unemployment benefit payments to eligible Texans, my office directed the Texas Workforce Commission to address the problem and find a solution to provide Texans with timely benefits," said Gov. Rick Perry. "I am pleased TWC has worked with the Department of Labor on a solution that will allow eligible Texans to begin receiving extended unemployment benefits by July 31st, without the months of delay that had initially been predicted."

Chairman Pauken added, "I

and my fellow Commissioners learned as well this week of a potential gap in the payment to claimants entitled to extended benefits. I immediately instructed staff to come up with a plan to expedite the payments of those benefits. Specifically, I asked staff to come forward with a solution to this problem so that benefits could begin to be paid by the end of this month. I am pleased that the TWC staff has taken the necessary action to get this accomplished."

Since the end of May, after Gov. Perry worked with the Legislature to change the law to allow for state extended benefits, the agency began addressing the necessary transition of the system to accommodate the stringent federal requirements.

Through an agreement with DOL, TWC will be allowed to temporarily defer certain federal requirements, allowing for immediate payment of extended benefits to thousands of long-term unemployed Texans.

This 13-week state extension is available to claimants that have exhausted 59 weeks of unemployment benefits. TWC estimates that as many as 100,000 claimants could exhaust their unemployment benefits by November 2009 and may be eligible for the new extension.

Reemployment services are available through Texas Workforce Centers at [www.texasworkforce.org](http://www.texasworkforce.org) or by accessing [www.WorkInTexas.com](http://www.WorkInTexas.com) for information.

## Texas Unemployment Rate Two Points Below U.S. Rate

Texas unemployment rate at 7.5 percent, U.S. rate at 9.5 percent

AUSTIN—Texas' seasonally adjusted unemployment rate rose to 7.5 percent in June, but remained well below the national rate of 9.5 percent. The Texas unemployment rate was 7.1 percent in May.

"While the national economic recession is having an adverse effect on employment here in Texas, our state unemployment rate remains far below the national rate," said Texas Workforce Commission (TWC) Chairman Tom Pauken. "The Texas Workforce Commission remains committed to helping out-of-work Texans find new jobs."

Education and Health Services represents the strongest industry for job growth over the year with 57,300 jobs added since June 2008. The sector reported no job losses for June.

The Amarillo Metropolitan Statistical Area (MSA) experienced the lowest unemployment rate in the state at 5.7 percent (not seasonally adjusted). The Lubbock MSA recorded the second lowest unemployment rate at 6.0 percent, and the Midland MSA was the third lowest at 6.1 percent.

Texas' seasonally adjusted nonagricultural employment

fell by 40,600 jobs in June. Texas has recorded a net loss of 266,300 jobs in the past 12 months, compared with job losses of 5.7 million nationwide during the same period.

Industries hardest hit were Trade, Transportation and Utilities, which dropped 21,700 jobs in June, followed by Professional and Business Services with a loss of 11,900 jobs.

"TWC has hired additional employment services staff to help Texans who are out of work at this time find employment," said TWC Commissioner Representing Labor Ronny Congleton. "With workforce centers and staff located across the state, jobseekers can turn to TWC and the 28 workforce boards for assistance."

Employment in Manufacturing fell by 10,300 jobs in June, and Construction dropped by 10,200 jobs.

Financial Activities and Leisure and Hospitality industries recorded small gains over the month of 1,000 and 900 jobs respectively.

"TWC and our workforce boards remain committed to assisting jobseekers and employers during this economic downturn," said TWC Commissioner Representing the Public Andres Alcantar.

### LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Dear Ms. Anderson:

A friend of mine in Rising Star sent me a clipping from the paper dated June 25, 2009 about the 1936 graduate of Cross Plains coming for the September 19, 2009 Homecoming.

I just had to tell you about our 60th Reunion that we had last October at May High School. Our graduation class had 24 in it, 12 are deceased and there were 8 that came. We had a wonderful time visiting and catching up with all that has happened over these sixty years.

The really greatest thing about it, was that our algebra/geometry teacher came! His name is Clint Lowe. He is 86 years old and drove from Llano to May for the reunion. We were all so impressed with him and the fact that he came for us was really wonderful.

Those who came were Wilma Jean Inglett, Paul Muhle, Don Hester, Jack Ehrke, Joyce Franklin, Maxwell Barker, Belvin Spurlock and me.

I would love to meet Henry Elvin Williams and hear his stories.

Sincerely yours,  
Evelyn Bryant  
Abilene

### Callahan County Riding Club Schedule

The schedule for the 2009 Callahan County Riding Club season is below. All regularly scheduled play days will begin with trainers/exhibitions at 6:30 and the events beginning at 7:00 pm. Check us out on the web for updates at [HYPERLINK "http://www.callahancountyridingclub.com"](http://www.callahancountyridingclub.com) <http://www.callahancountyridingclub.com>

**AUGUST DATES**  
Saturday, August 8th;  
Saturday, August 15th;  
Saturday, August 22nd;  
Saturday, August 29th.

Any rain-outs or make-up days will be held on the open weekend or on Fridays or Sundays, depending on weather and options of membership. If you have questions call Sue Underwood at 325-669-9411.

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### WESTERN STORY SERIAL

#### MOUNTAIN MAN

Continued

We brought McGoorty here to show you you was bein' gyped by Tomahawk! That man ain't no prize fighter; he's a highway robber!"

"These Tomahawk coyotes has framed us!" squalled a Gunstock man, going for his gun.

"You're a liar!" roared Richards, bending a .45 barrel over his head.

The next instant guns was crashing, knives was gleaming, and men was yelling blue murder. The Gunstock braves turned frothing on the Tomahawk warriors, and the men from Perdition, yelping with glee, pulled their guns and begun fanning the crowd indiscriminately, which give back their fire. McGoorty give a howl and fell down on Alexander's neck, gripping around it with both arms, and Alexander departed in a cloud of dust and smoke.

I grabbed my gunbelt, which McVey had hung over the post in my corner, and I headed for cover, holding on to my britches whilst the bullets hummed around me as thick as bees. I wanted to take to the brush, but I remembered that blamed letter, so I headed for town. Behind me there rose a roar of banging guns and yelling men. Just as I got to the backs of the row of buildings which lined the street, I run into something soft head on. It was McGoorty, trying to escape on Alexander. He had hold of only one rein, and Alexander, evidently having circled one end of the town, was traveling in a circle and heading back where he started from.

I was going so fast I

couldn't stop, and I run right over Alexander and all three of us went down in a heap. I jumped up, afraid Alexander was killed, but he scrambled up snorting and trembling, and then McGoorty weaved up, making funny noises. I poked my cap-and-ball into his belly.

"Off with them pants!" I yelled.

"My God!" he screamed. "Again? This is getting to be a habit!"

"Hustle!" I bellowed. "You can have these scandals I got on now."

He shucked his britches, grabbed them tights and run like he was afraid I'd want his underwear too. I jerked on the pants, forked Alexander and headed for the south end of town. I kept behind the buildings, though the town seemed to be deserted, and purty soon I come to the store where Kirby had told me old man Braxton kept the post office. Guns was barking there, and across the street I seen men ducking in and out behind a old shack, and shooting.

I tied Alexander to a corner of the store and went in the back door. Up in the front part I seen old man Braxton kneeling behind some barrels with a .45-90, and he was shooting at the fellows in the shack across the street. Every now and then a slug would hum through the door and comb his whiskers, and he would cuss worse'n pap did that time he sot down in a bear trap.

I went up to him and tapped him on the shoulder and he give a squall and flopped over and let go bam! right in my face and singed off my eyebrows. And the fellows across the street hollered and started shooting at both of us.

To be continued.

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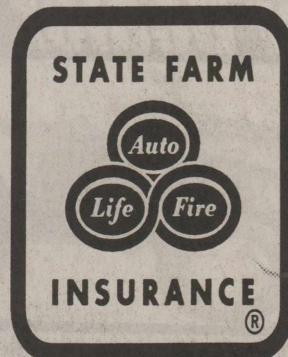
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### Mr. and Mrs. Dan Johnston to Celebrate their 65th Wedding Anniversary

Dan and Bobbie Johnston, longtime residents of Cross Plains, will be celebrating their 65th Wedding Anniversary Sunday, August 2, 2009. A reception will be hosted by their children at the First Baptist Church Family Life Center in Cross Plains from 3:00 to 5:00 p.m.

The couple was married August 4, 1944 in the home of Bobbie's parents, Arlis and Lila Webb in Cross Plains. Reverend D.C. Simpson performed the ceremony.

Three sons were born of this union, Freddie, Bobby and Billy (deceased). Freddie and wife BeeGee and Bobby and wife Trish all reside in Abilene. Dan and Bobbie were blessed with six grandchildren (two deceased) and nine great-grandchildren.

The family invites everyone to join them in the celebration of 65 year together. Your presence will be the best gift.

## Lemon Law gives consumers millions in relief

AUSTIN - Consumers purchasing or leasing defective new vehicles received \$7.6 million in relief through the Texas Lemon Law in 2008 and more than \$101.6 million in relief since 1993.

The 2008 Lemon Law report, released by the Texas Department of Transportation's (TxDOT) Motor Vehicle Division (MVD), lists number of complaints filed, defects reported and complaint disposition. Since consumers usually have owned a motor vehicle at least one year prior to filing a Lemon Law complaint, the downturn in new motor vehicle sales in Texas, which many agree started in mid to late 2008, did not significantly impact the 2008 report.

Of the 629 complaints closed last year, 57.7 percent of consumers received some form of relief for defective vehicles—29.6 percent had their vehicles repurchased, replaced or traded by the manufacturer and an additional 28.1 percent received repairs, extended service contracts or other remedies. Consumers complained most frequently about engine performance and emissions, or the electrical system.

"The numbers indicate the Lemon Law continues to do what it is intended to do—help consumers with defective vehicles get relief," said Brett Bray, director of TxDOT's Motor Vehicle Division. Under the Lemon Law, TxDOT's Motor Vehicle Division can order a vehicle replaced, repurchased or repaired by the manufacturer. Some manufacturers choose to settle complaints rather than contesting them at a formal

hearing. The report shows Chrysler LLC and General Motors Corporation continued a trend of resolving more complaints prior to hearing.

The Texas Lemon Law covers new or leased vehicles, including cars, trucks, vans, motorcycles, mopeds, all-terrain vehicles, motor homes and towable recreational vehicles. The Lemon Law Rules require that a manufacturer, distributor, or converter re-title a reacquired vehicle. The retitling requirement facilitates enforcement of disclosure requirements and hinders what is known as "lemon laundering" or "title washing." In the near future, the title will include a notice sufficient to inform a prospective purchaser that the vehicle was reacquired by the manufacturer under the Lemon Law.

State law also requires manufacturers to issue a disclosure statement and hang the disclosure label from the view mirror and in the event that the vehicle does not have a rear view mirror the disclosure label must be affixed in a conspicuous location on vehicles ordered repurchased, replaced or reacquired to settle a Lemon Law complaint. The disclosure requirements are also mandatory for vehicles reacquired under another state's Lemon Law and transferred to Texas for resale.

Texas Department of Transportation news To obtain a copy of the 2008 Lemon Law Report or a consumer handbook on the Texas Lemon Law contact TxDOT's Motor Vehicle Division at (512) 416-4800, 1-800-622-8682 or go to [http://www.txdot.gov/txdot\\_library/publications/lemon\\_law.htm](http://www.txdot.gov/txdot_library/publications/lemon_law.htm).

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GOV. PERRY WITH 1ST AIR CAVALRY TROOPERS FROM FT. HOOD STATIONED AT TAJI, IRAQ.

## Gov. Perry Visits U.S. Troops in Iraq and Afghanistan

AUSTIN - Gov. Rick Perry thanked U.S. troops and members of the Texas Military Forces serving in Iraq and Afghanistan during a U.S. Department of Defense sponsored trip to visit military men and women defending freedom around the globe.

"I'm proud to have the opportunity to visit the dedicated men and women who sacrifice so much to protect freedom around the world," Gov. Perry said. "These individuals work hard through difficult and dangerous conditions to protect others, and deserve our highest honor and deepest appreciation."

Gov. Perry was part of a five governor delegation, including Minnesota Gov. Tim Pawlenty, Missouri Gov. Jay Nixon, Illinois Gov. Pat Quinn and Nevada Gov. Jim Gibbons. The governors stopped at several cities in Iraq, including Baghdad, Taji, Al Asad and Tallil. In Afghanistan, stops included Bagram, Gardez, Ghazni, Jalalabad, and the Task Force Phoenix Headquarters. He also stopped at bases in Kuwait and Germany.

While at Camp Taji, the governor distributed Texas flags that have flown over the

State Capitol, and presented the combat infantry badge to Sgt. Maj. Travis Petty of Fort Worth and specialist Bradley Merchant of Lubbock. The governor also visited the Wounded Warrior Ministry Center in Landstuhl, Germany, which provides comfort items to wounded service members evacuated from the battlefield. These non military items come exclusively from donations.

"The Texas Military Forces are proudly serving in operations Iraqi Freedom and Enduring Freedom, and represent the largest number of National Guard troops deployed in the nation to Overseas Contingency Operations," Texas Adjutant General Maj. Gen. Jose Mayorga said. "There are Texas soldiers in Iraq today who are on their 4th or 5th deployment since 2001, and continue to serve selflessly. These men and women are Texas heroes and heroines, and great Americans."

As of May 2009, Texas had more than 35,000 deployed service members, including approximately 4,500 from the Texas National Guard, more than any other state in the nation.

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The maternal grandparent is Gudrun Gless from  
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## Scranton Musical Set for Saturday, August 1st

The monthly Scranton musical will be held Saturday, August 1st at the Scranton Community Center. The kitchen will open at 5:30 p.m. and the music begins at 6:00. All proceeds from the kitchen go toward the operation of the

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