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THURSDAY, December 31, 2009

100th YEAR

CROSS PLAINS, CALLAHAN COUNTY, TEXAS 76443

NUMBER 42



WINTER WONDERLAND—The blizzard brought lots of snow and covered everything in a beautiful white blanket of snow.



OLD GLORY STILL FLYING—The U.S. Flag was whipping in the fierce winds last Thursday, December 24th in downtown Cross Plains.

Republican Party filing deadline is January 4th Incumbent County Treasurer, Republican Party Chairman file for re-election

Nine candidates have now filed for places up for election in the March 2, 2010 Republican Primary Election in Callahan County.

Republican Party County Chairman Reggie Pillans reported incumbent County Treasurer Dianne Gunter has filed for re-election, and he has filed for the Republican Party Chairman for Callahan County on the Republican Party ballot recently.

Incumbent County Treasurer Dianne Gunter, 59, filed for re-election on Tuesday, December 8th. Gunter resides at 416 Race Street in Baird and has resided in the state 59 years, eight months and in Callahan County 29 years, five months.

Pillans, 62, filed for re-election as the Republican Party Chairman for Callahan County on Monday, December 28th. Pillans has lived in the state 62 years, one month and in Callahan County eight years. Pillans resides in Callahan County, however his mailing address is 8567 County Road 419, Cisco, Texas 76437.

The local positions up for election in the Republican Primary Election include: County Judge, District Clerk, County Clerk, County Treasurer, and County Commissioners in Precinct #2 (Eula) and Precinct #4 (Cross Plains). Also, all the Justice of the Peace offices in Callahan County are up for election this year, as well as the Republican Party County Chairperson.

Those who previously filed Thursday, December 3rd include:

• Incumbent Clyde Precinct #1 Justice of the Peace Roy Chapman. Chapman, 62, has resided in the county 32 years, nine months and in the state 62 years, 11 months.

• Incumbent Cross Plains Precinct #4 Justice of the Peace Burlie Taylor. Taylor, 74, has resided in the county eight years, nine months and in the state eight years, nine months.

• Incumbent District Clerk Sharon Owens. Owens, 59, has resided in the county 37 years and in the state 59 years.

• Incumbent County Commissioners Precinct #2 (Eula) Bryan Farmer. Farmer, 53, has resided in the county 53 years, two months and in the state 53 years, two months.

• Incumbent County Judge Roger Corn. Corn, 69, has resided in the county 69 years, five months and in the state 69 years, five months.

• Incumbent County Clerk Donna Bell. Bell, 56, has resided in the county seven years, three months and in the state 56 years.

• Incumbent County Commissioner Precinct #4 (Cross Plains) Cliff Kirkham. Kirkham, 65, has resided in the county 65 years and in the state 65 years.

The final day to file for a place on the Republican Primary Election ballot is at 6:00 p.m. on Monday, January 4, 2010.

Republican County Chairman Reggie Pillans said a candidate can file through him by calling (254) 725-4168.

The 2010 General Election is scheduled for Tuesday, November 2nd.

Grand Ole Oplin Announces New Year's Eve Dance

The Grand Ole Oplin invites everyone out to their annual New Year's Eve dance on Thursday evening, Dec. 31st. Muddy Creek will be playing all your favorite country songs beginning at 8:00 p.m. and ending somewhere around midnight. Black-eyed peas and cornbread will be served during the band's break and everyone is invited to bring a

snack to be shared by all. Admission to our New Year's Eve dance will be \$8.00 per person.

The Grand Ole Oplin is hosted by the Oplin Community Center and is located at the intersections of F.M. 604 So. and F.M. 2926. Smoking and alcohol is not permitted at any Oplin Community Center function.

Please go to www.grandoleoplin.com for further information.

So gather the family and all of your friends and come on out to the Grand Ole Oplin and help us bring in the New Year with good music, good friends and a real good time. The Grand Ole Oplin wishes everyone a safe and Happy New Year!

Submitted by: Pam Rumfield

Callahan County, Nation gearing up for 2010 Census

The Census Bureau is currently taking applications for temporary and part-time workers for the 2010 Census count in Callahan County.

Census jobs offer those who apply flexible hours of up to 40 hours a week, mileage reimbursement and the opportunity to work near your home.

Census takers, crew leaders, crew leader assistants, recruiting assistants, and Census clerk jobs are currently available.

Those who are at least 18 years of age or older, have a valid Social Security Number, pass a background test, and take a written test can work up to 40 hours per week in the evening and on weekends. Applications are being taken at the Census Bureau website at www.2010censusjobs.gov or can call the toll-free number at 1-888-881-2010 to apply.

Callahan County officials are also preparing for the upcoming 2010 Census count. The commissioners' court, at its Monday, December 14th meeting, voted to retain the law firm of Bickerstaff, Heath, Delgado, Acosta, LLP for the Census 2010 and the possibility of redistricting.

Census officials report the 2010 Census questionnaire is being shortened to a quick ten question survey. Census questionnaires throughout the nation and Callahan County will be mailed in March 2010 either by mail or in person from a Census worker. Households should complete and return their forms upon receipt by April 1, 2010.

What You Need to Know!

What is the Census?

A count of the population of the United States of America.

Is it Easy?

You will receive the questionnaire in the mail. It only takes 10 minutes to complete the questionnaire.

Who is Counted?

Everyone counts! Your immigration status does not affect your participation.

When?

The next Census will take place on April 1, 2010.

Is it Safe to Respond to the Questionnaire?

All information provided to the Census is protected under Title 13, U.S. code, Section 9. The office of the Census does not share your personal data with the FBI, CIA, Immigration, the police, or even the President. Your information is only used for statistical purposes.

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How will the 2010 Census differ from previous Census efforts?

In the last Census, one in six households received a long ques-

tionnaire asking for detailed socioeconomic information. In 2010, every residence will receive a short questionnaire that is simple and fast to complete and return. More detailed information will be collected annually from a small percentage of the population through the American Community Survey.

Why are partners so important to the 2010 Census Campaign?

More than 140,000 organizations supported Census 2000, including state and local governments, community and faith-based organizations, schools, media, businesses and others. The Census Bureau relies on partners to help explain the importance of completing the 2010 Census message to people in every corner of the United States. This is particularly important in areas isolated by language or geography. By joining forces with partners, the Census Bureau has a far greater chance to reach every U.S. resident than by attempting this monumental task alone.

2010 Census Timeline Key Dates

February-March 2010: Census questionnaires are mailed or delivered to households.

April 1, 2010: Census Day.

April - July 2010: Census takers visit households that did not return a questionnaire by mail.

December 2010: By law, Census Bureau delivers population counts to President for apportionment.

March 2011: By law, Census Bureau completes delivery of redistricting data to states.

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SANTA RIGHT AT HOME IN THE WINTER BLIZZARD—He was visiting the children at the Christmas Eve celebration of the descendants of the late Oscar and Faye Tyler at the Cross Plains Community Center. Doesn't he look cute! (Photo courtesy of Debbie Edington.)

The Cross Plains Review
Will be CLOSED
Friday, January 1st for New Year's

CHURCH DIRECTORY

UNITED PENTECOSTAL CHURCH
 209 S.W. Hwy 36 CROSS PLAINS, TX
Welcomes You!
 Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
 Sun. 6:30 p.m. Worship & Word *** Wed. 7:00 p.m. Bible Study
 "An Apostolic Church"
PASTOR, Phillip R. Schaefer (254) 725-7140

COTTONWOOD BAPTIST CHURCH
 Sunday School9:45 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
 Church (254) 725-6266
 Friendly Church 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

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: Billy Smith 254-725-6268
 Sunday School....10:00 am
 Sunday Morning Worship....11:00 am
 Sunday Evening Worship....6:00 p.m.
 Wednesday Prayer Service....7:00 p.m.
 Music Director: Barbara Jo Medley

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
 10:00 a.m.
 Michael Ingram, Pastor

CROSS PLAINS COWBOY CHURCH
 Pastor: Len Smith
 "For I have given you an example, that you should do as I have done to you"
 JOHN 13:15
 As an example to us, Christ gave his all for us.. How much are we giving?
 Sunday Mornings at 10:30 a.m.
 Wednesday Nights at 7:00 p.m.
 We invite you to come worship with us.
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 (254)-725-6446 or (325)-518-5514

Cross Plains Review Deadlines
 •Ads Noon on Tuesday
 •Articles Noon on Monday



MUSEUM VISITORS CONTINUE THROUGH THE HOLIDAYS—Clyde Brown (left), an inspector for a Lufkin construction company, was working in the area and made a side trip to see the Robert E. Howard Museum. He has been an avid reader of Howard's works for years. Although the westerns have long been his favorites, he was delighted to see the well-stocked gift shop of all genres. Having recently discovered Howard's poetry, he quickly purchased the few remaining poetry books for Christmas gifts.
 Another visitor interested in both the western and poetry writings was Ted Royston (right) of Plano. Taking a break from teaching English at North Lake College in Irving, he made the trip to Cross Plains to pursue the background of one of his favorite authors.
 The Cross Plains Public Library also enjoyed a "Howard" visitor. Aram Sarhadiam (not pictured) from Los Angeles was in Dallas visiting relatives for the holidays and drove on over, taking a chance on the Library being open when he arrived. He had visited the Museum a couple of years ago, but was unable to see the Library holdings at the time. After purchasing some copies of Howard's manuscripts, he returned to Dallas—a happy camper.

ROBERT E. HOWARD WESTERN STORY SERIAL

MEET CAP'N KIDD
Continued
 He went tearing around the bowl, kicking up dust and neighing like a steamboat on the rampage, and then he came back and tried to kick the wall down again. When he turned to gallop off I jumped off the wall and landed square on his back, but before I could so much as grab his mane he threw me clean over the wall and I landed in a cluster of boulders and cactus and skun my shin. This made me mad so I got the lariat and the saddle and clumb back on the wall and roped him, but he jerked the rope out of my hand before I could get any kind of a purchase, and went bucking and pitching around all over the bowl trying to get shet of the rope. So purty soon he pitched right into the cliff-wall and he lammed it so hard with his hind hoofs that a whole section of overhanging rock was jolted loose and hit him right between the ears. That was too much even for Cap'n Kidd.

It knocked him down and stunned him, and I jumped down into the bowl and before he could come to I had my saddle on to him, and a hackamore I'd fixed out of a piece of my lariat. I'd also mended the girths with pieces of the lariat, too, before I built the wall.
 Well, when Cap'n Kidd recovered his senses and riz up, snorting and war-like, I was on his back. He stood still for a instant like he was trying to figger out jest what the hell was the matter, and then he turned his head and seen me on his back. The next instant I

felt like I was astraddle of a ring-tailed cyclone.
 I dunno what all he done. He done so many things all at onst I couldn't keep track. I clawed leather. The man which could have stayed onto him without clawing leather ain't born yet, or else he's a cussed liar. Sometimes my feet was in the stirrups and sometimes they warn't, and sometimes they was in the wrong stirrups. I cain't figger out how that could be, but it was so. Part of the time I was in the saddle and part of the time I was behind it on his rump, or on his neck in front of it. He kept reching back trying to snap my laig and 'onst he got my thigh between his teeth and would ondoubtedly of tore the muscle out if I hadn't shook him loose by beating him over the head with my fist.
 One instant he'd have his head betwixt his feet and I'd be setting on a hump so high in the air I'd get dizzy, and the next thing he'd come down stiff-laiged and I could feel my spine telescoping. He changed ends so fast I got sick at my stummick and he nigh unjointed my neck with his sunfishing. I calls it sunfishing because it was more like that than anything. He occasionally rolled over and over on the ground, too, which was very uncomfortable for me, but I hung on, because I was afeared if I let go I'd never get on him again. I also knowed that if he ever shaken me loose I'd had to shoot him to keep him from stomping my guts out. So I stuck, though I'll admit that they is few sensations more onpleasant than having a hoss as big as Cap'n Kidd roll on you nine or ten times.

To be continued.

COURTHOUSE NEWS

COUNTY COURT-HOUSE
Roger Corn, Presiding
Misdemeanor Filings
 Tod Wilson, assault - class A.
Misdemeanor Minutes
 Abby C. Kitchens, request for extension of probation granted.
 Gregory Brown, order releasing cash bond granted.
 Kathleen Yvonne Hackney, motion to withdraw as surety granted.

James Cordell Maddie Jr., order amending conditions of probation granted.
 Steven Edward Erixson, motion to dismiss motion to revoke probation and adjudicate granted.
 Preston D. Browne, judgment revoking probation granted.
 Richard B. Spicer, order amending conditions of probation granted.
 Britany Paige Rice, plea of guilty to possession of a controlled substance, 6 years probation, \$249 court costs.

42nd DISTRICT COURT
John Weeks, presiding
Criminal Minutes

Civil Filings
 Patrick James Fennell vs. Harold Maulden and Queensland Drilling Services PTY LTD, damages.
 Alaina Michelle Massey vs Christopher Lee Massey, divorce.

Order discharging defendants from probation (no deferred adjudication); Sidney D. Bullard; Ervey Ramirez; Javier Salas Favila Jr.
 Jonathan J. Haley, order amending conditions of probation granted.
 Chevin C. Brothers, plea of guilty to engaging in organized criminal activity, 5 year probation, \$261 court costs, \$363 restitution.

Civil Minutes
 Douglas Kuykendall and Martha Fay Kuykendall, agreed decree declaring marriage void.
 Melissa Nicole Shipley and Alex Lee Shipley, divorce granted.

GET YOUR OFFICE SUPPLIES AT THE CROSS PLAINS REVIEW

First Presbyterian Church
 Sunday Service 9:00 AM
 Music- Connie Swift & Betty Lewis
 Lead Singers: Rhonda Swift Amanda Sowell Matt Sowell
 Pastor Kathy Monroe
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 Rev. Harris Worcester
 Sunday School 9:30AM
 Sunday Morning Worship 10:45AM
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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
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 116 S.E. 1ST STREET CROSS PLAINS, TX

COTTONWOOD NEWS

BEVERLY BROWN

We wish to thank you, Wallace, for writing the Cottonwood News column. We've enjoyed your insights and your stories about Cottonwood's history, and wish you well with your other projects.

Cottonwood got a white Christmas after many, many years and at this writing we still have a white Christmas as a blanket of snow is laying in the fields and the roads are impassable in some areas.

One of our neighbors had their son come to visit for the holidays. He came in just fine on the roads, but when he left, he avoided the mud and the ruts. He had his dad tow his little car out on the back of a flat-bed trailer.

Ring in the New Year in Cottonwood with a New Year's Eve Fellowship and Game Night, Thursday, December 31, at the Cottonwood Baptist Church, starting at 7 p.m. Fun and games, refreshments and fellowship will be the highlight. Please bring finger foods.

The Quilting Club starts back into action on January 5th. Look for the ladies at the Community Center quilting away every Tuesday. Ladies of the community are welcome to come and quilt or have lunch. Just bring a covered dish for the noon meal.

The Fire Control Group's annual meeting is coming up on Monday, January 11th. Everyone in the

community-residents and fire volunteers are encouraged to come out to the Community Center and hear what's going on with the Fire Control Group. Officers for the upcoming year will be elected. You'll find out more about the new firetruck. The meeting starts at 7 p.m.

The Fire Control Group also has a Fish Fry planned for January 30th, so mark your calendar now.

We'll have all the Christmas news in next week's column. If you had visitors or some holidays news, give me a call Beverly Brown 254-725-7369 by Sunday afternoon and we'll get you in the column.

LIBRARY NOTES

December 21-23, 2009

Patrons 60
Books Checked Out: 51
Copies: 8
Reference: 4
Internet Users: 24

Memorials:
Cross Plains Class of 1969
In Memory of Delilah Goble

Donations:
Curt and Ginny Hoskins

Living Tributes:
Jim and Michelle Kaiser
In Honor of Wilma Lawrence
and In Honor of Ann Beeler

Book Donations:
Ann Beeler
Angela Bogart

Volunteers:
Suzy Stiver-Nash
Arlene Stephenson
Wilma Lawrence
Michelle Kaiser

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

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SENIOR CITIZEN CENTER ACTIVITIES:

BY AMBER THOMAS

WEEKLY ACTIVITIES

Monday, 4th - Movie Day @ 10:00 am; Cokes & Popcorn.
Tuesday, 5th - Exercise Class @ 11:00 am.
Wednesday, 6th - Blood Pressure Checks by Girling.
Thursday, 7th - 11:00 am Exercise Class.
Friday, 8th - Bingo 12:30 pm.

Senior Center Needs
A few items the Center could really benefit from...
ROASTER OVEN - LARGE CROCK POTS

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 - 2:00pm. If you would like to attend a 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!

SENIOR CITIZENS MENU

JANUARY 4-8

MONDAY-BBQ Chicken, Corn, Fruit, Bread & Dessert, Tea/Coffee/Milk
TUESDAY-Salmon Patties, Macaroni Salad, Spinach, Bread & Dessert, Tea/Coffee/Milk
WEDNESDAY-Pork Roast, Potatoes, Lima Beans, Bread & Dessert, Tea/Coffee/Milk
THURSDAY-Swiss Steak, Rice, Copper Pennies, Dessert Tea/Coffee/Milk
FRIDAY-Beef Stew, Cornbread, Fruit Cocktail, Dessert, Tea/Coffee/Milk
Dominoes 2nd Tuesday of Each Month

Heart of Texas Internal Medicine Associates, P.A.—One Source Health Center—Rising Star

We are pleased to announce that Dr. Billy Carpenter will begin practicing at the Rising Star clinic beginning November 16th.

The OneSource clinic welcomes new patients on a walk in basis and accepts most forms of insurance.

Clinic Hours
Monday through Friday 8:00-5:00
Call us today: 254.643.3141

RISING STAR NURSING CENTER

DONA McINTIRE



RESIDENT CHRISTMAS PARTY WITH METHODIST CHURCH OF CROSS PLAINS—at the Rising Star Nursing Center.

What a special Christmas we have had! Thanks so much to Red and Sarah Chamberlain for bringing their Cantata to share with the residents here on the 16th and for singing carols with us for our monthly birthday party on the 23rd. Red and Sarah volunteer many hours here and we appreciate them.

Hazel Campbell's daughters made special Christmas shirt protectors for mealtimes to brighten our days and Richard Jones' sister in Mississippi made some for later use.

We had a houseful of family and friends for the resident party Sunday afternoon, December 20th.

A big "Thank You" to the Cross Plains First United Methodist Church carolers for the program of Christmas songs that we always enjoy and thanks to the

Rising Star 4-H group with Shelly Bailey who brought gifts.

A thanks also to the Secret Santa's who made sure every resident was remembered with a gift. Speaking of Secret Santa, it is always a treat to have Santa make an early visit our facility. Thank you to that special person.

On Christmas Eve with all the beautiful snowfall, Paula from dietary made "real" hot chocolate that was enjoyed by staff and residents during their morning Bingo games, which was made special with several blackout games and prizes. No diabetics or restricted diets this day!

Margaret Blanton's step-daughter made a very special quilt for her and delivered it in person from Amarillo. The quilt has pictures of Margaret's family, including baby pictures of her as

well as wedding pictures of her and Kenneth. What a special quilt and step-daughter! We are looking to Danee to help find the best way to display it.

Danee is such a blessing to us! During the snow storm on Christmas Eve, not only was he here trying to keep our sidewalks safe, he helped several stranded motorists, and provided transportation for some staff members.

Lori Osborn also help out by making sure Ava and Sammie got back to Cross Plains safely and Lori came in to work on Saturday as we had staff members who couldn't make it in.

Special thanks to everyone who pitched in during the snow. It was beautiful to look at but made life a bit difficult.

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

PIONEER NEWS

What a beautiful White Christmas! Not many times have we had this happen.

Just to let the quilting ladies know the quilting house will be open of the 5th of January if you wish to be there. See you there!

Hope everyone had a wonderful Christmas and will have a great New Year! Stay safe and happy.

We will have more news next week.

County Judge Roger Corn Thanks Communities for help during snow storm

In assessment of the recent snow storm that blanketed Callahan County Christmas Eve, I would like to take this time to say a heartfelt "Thank You" to the Volunteer Fire Departments, Department of Public Safety, County Sheriff's Department, City Law Enforcement and TxDOT for their help in rescuing stranded motorists and helping distribute water and fuel to motorists along I-20. Putnam Volunteer Fire Chief, Marty Smith and Assistant Chief, Darrell Jobe did an outstanding job making sure that motorists stranded from Baird to Putnam had access to bottled water and fuel as needed as well as transporting them to the Community Center. These two men worked from noon Christmas Eve until noon on

Christmas Day helping to ensure the safety of the stranded motorists. Clyde Fire Chief, Billy Dezer had a crew of 4 trucks with 9 men working I-20 and assisting Putnam Volunteer Fire Department. Cross Plains Volunteer Fire Department assisted in the Putnam area along I-20. Baird and Eula Volunteer Fire Departments assisted with the rescue efforts on I-20 and assisted TxDOT in traffic control. I commend all of you for your service to the county during this snow storm.

I would also like to Thank the following churches: United Methodist Church of Baird, First Baptist Church of Baird, Church of Christ in Baird, First United Methodist Church of Clyde, First Baptist Church of Clyde and the Church of Christ

in Clyde, First Baptist Church in Cross Plains, Putnam Community Center as well as the Baird School for opening their doors to stranded motorist. These designated shelters provided food and a warm place to sleep for the night for about 320 people traveling for the Christmas Holiday. I appreciate your giving of your time and for making them as comfortable as possible.

Thanks to the many people who helped serve in various ways and to those who opened their homes to the stranded motorists. Callahan County appreciates your willingness to help in emergency situations such as this.

Sincerely,
Roger Corn
Callahan County Judge

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Census Day is April 1, 2010



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Workforce Solutions Board Honors Lisa Crawford, Workforce Solutions Youth Team Lead as Employee of the Quarter

ABILENE, TEXAS—On Wednesday, December 16, 2009, at 11:30, 400 Oak Street, Taylor Room (414), the Workforce Solutions of West Central Texas Board recognized Lisa Crawford, Youth Team Lead, Workforce Solutions of West Central Texas, as the Employee of the Quarter. The award was presented by Board Chair, Chance Barr, and Anne Lopez, Center Director for Workforce Solutions of West Central Texas.

Lisa Crawford was presented the Employee of the Quarter Award based on her commitment to customer service, quality, excellence and commitment to the West Central Area. Lisa started her work in education as an elementary physical education teacher. She began her workforce career as a Youth Specialist in October of 2008. She moved up the ranks to Youth Team Lead in March of 2009 and then added the Skills Unit in September of 2009. The units she currently supervises serve such populations as RIO (Reintegrated Offenders), TANF (Temporary Assistance for Needy Families), SNAP (Supplemental Nutritional Assistance Program) and Youth. Under Lisa's supervision of the Summer Youth Program, the program met all of the state's required performance measures and enhanced the lives of over two-hundred fifty (250) youth in the nineteen counties, served by Workforce Solutions of West Central Texas. The RIO program also went from 28th in the state, to first in the state in



EMPLOYEE OF THE QUARTER—Pictured above (l-r) are: Chance Barr, Board Chair, Workforce Solutions of West Central Texas; Lisa Crawford, Youth Team Lead, Workforce Solutions of West Central Texas; and Anne Lopez, Center Director Workforce Solutions of West Central Texas.

the month of October 2009. She exemplifies the West Central region with her quality of work, continuous improvement and integrity standards.

Workforce Solutions of West Central Texas is one of 28 local workforce boards located throughout the state. The board serves Brown, Callahan, Coleman, Comanche, Eastland, Fisher, Haskell, Jones, Kent, Knox, Mitchell, Nolan, Runnels, Scurry, Shackelford, Stephens, Stonewall, Taylor and Throckmorton counties.

The primary goal of the Texas Workforce Commission and the local workforce boards is to meet the needs of Texas' employers through locally

designed market-driven workforce development initiatives and services. All employers, workers and job seekers are eligible to take advantage of these services. Questions regarding this event may be directed to Steve Collins, Business Resources Consultant, for the West Central Texas Workforce Board, at 325-795-4304 or by e-mail to steve.collins@workforcesystem.org. The West Central Texas Workforce Development Board is an equal opportunity employer. Auxiliary aids and services are available upon request to individuals with disabilities (1-800-735-2989 TDD or 1-800-735-2988 voice) for accessible communication.

Energy usage reductions make great new year's resolutions

Economy not turning Texans into Scrooge this holiday season

Abilene, TX (December 15, 2009) – Old Mr. Scrooge may be a hit in movie theatres, but his miserly ways are having minimal impact on Texans' plans for holiday-related energy usage this year, according to a survey conducted on behalf of WTU Retail Energy.

Nearly 90 percent of Texas survey respondents have or will put up holiday lighting displays this year, and of those, less than one-third were scaling back on their displays from what they've done in previous years.

While these are encouraging signals about the health of the Texas economy and the power of the holiday season, WTU has identified numerous areas of opportunity for Texans to reduce energy usage – and thereby reduce their energy spend – as residents across the Lone Star State ponder their 2010 New Year's resolutions.

"In asking Texans about their holiday-related energy usage, we discovered that there are still many areas we can help consumers better understand their opportunities for energy savings – on usage, and costs," said Jim Steffes, Vice President and General Manager, WTU Retail Energy. "By implementing a few very easy changes, consumers can lower their energy usage not just around the holidays, but all year long. At the end of the day, your electricity bill is made up of the price you pay per kilowatt-hour multiplied by the number of kilowatt-hours you use. It's time to help our customers better understand the usage piece."

With a new year just around the corner, WTU is encouraging consumers to consider making one or two resolutions that are focused on using less energy around the house. Roughly a quarter of Texans have done this in the

past, and most of those plan to do so again in 2010. For the other 76 percent, WTU offers the following resolution ideas for consumers looking to save a bit of green – both financial and environmentally – in the coming year:

Shop the post-holiday sales for more efficient lighting – Of the large number of residents putting up lighting displays, most use 5-14 strings for their display, and almost 20 percent are using over 20 strings. Yet only 10 percent have switched to energy-efficient lighting. Consider using some of those gift cards towards purchasing LED (low-emitting diode) holiday lights when they go on sale in January; they run cooler, last longer, and use 10 percent of the energy an incandescent bulb does. Have money left on that gift card? Stock up on compact fluorescent lightbulbs (CFLs) for year-round use inside your home. They also last way longer, and use much, much less electricity for the same lighting as their incandescent counterparts.

Use a programmable thermostat – Resolve to buy one and use it, or to actually set yours and not override it. Programmable thermostats allow consumers to cool or heat their homes only when it's needed, and avoid running the cooling or heating system for an empty house.

Invest in a home energy audit – Make sure you're targeting energy efficiency improvements to the areas of the home that need it most. That's different for all homes. An online home energy audit can help identify the biggest bang for the buck when it comes to efficiency improvements. Visit www.wturetailenergy.com for an online home energy audit tool.

Commit to preventative maintenance – This can be as easy as changing the filter on

the cooling system once a month, as recommended, to avoid the build-up of particles that make the system work harder than it needs to and avoids unnecessary wear-and-tear on the system's components. To maximize the efficiency potential, resolve to have the system checked annually by a qualified technician who can help diagnose problems before they cause system down-time at the least convenient moment – like the next family gathering.

Invest in timers and motion-sensor lighting, and resolve to use them – Leaving the front porch light on when away or through the night gives a certain sense of security; it also keeps the meter turning and racks up dollars throughout the year. Ditto for the living room lamp left on while the house is empty due to travel or vacation. A little here and there won't break the bank, but added up throughout the year, it's a significant waste of energy and money. Timers and motion-sensors can bring that same feeling of security while also avoiding unnecessary energy usage – but the survey showed less than a quarter of Texans ever use them. A fairly inexpensive investment requiring little change on the consumer's end, but can have a positive impact on those annual energy costs, while making the house look occupied even when it's not.

Commit to small lifestyle changes – Turn off lamps, lights, and televisions when you leave the room. Unplug chargers that aren't being used. Safely power down computers and home electronics like gaming consoles when they aren't in use. These are small steps, but can mean shaving a month's equivalent of energy usage off annual costs.

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The Christmas Tale at Skinny's #67

By Sharon Drew
Skinny's #67 Employee

'Twas the night before Christmas and all across the Big Country snow was falling down.

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They came through the doors like cattle through a chute..

They bought all our juices, milk and energy drinks.

The bought most of our gas, and diesel fuel, too.

They bought all our bread, sandwiches and doughnuts, too!!!!

We had no propane, no lids for our cups.... They even took our bottled water and left our shelves bare.

They whined and they whined, they fussed and they fought, In the bad weather they didn't want to get caught.

All of us a Skinny's who mopped and cleaned, we stocked and we cooked until there was no more...

We still tried to help as many as came. We did what we could with a smile and a hug.

For the extra everyone gave, we give our thanks.

Interstate 20 was totally shut down, not where to go no place to turn around. The police came and waved their little hands,

"Go south, go south, was their command... Go to a place called Highway 36 and... You can get to where you want to go."

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Trying to be neighborly, cause it was the right thing to do.

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He fixed and he patched as best as could be.

From all of us here in Cross Plains, we want to wish you the best!

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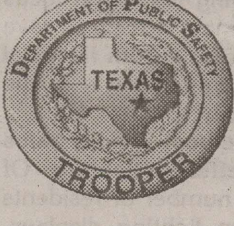
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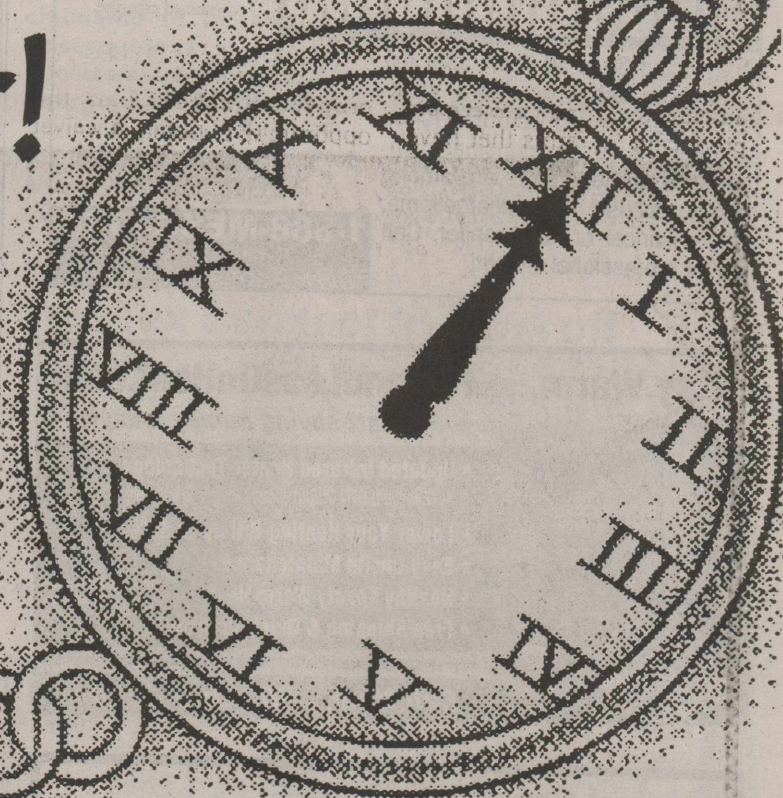
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Texas Unemployment Rate Down in November to 8.0 Percent

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Texas job gains continued for the second month

AUSTIN—The Texas seasonally adjusted unemployment rate declined to 8.0 percent in November, down from 8.3 percent a month ago, and continued to trend well below the U.S. seasonally adjusted unemployment rate for November at 10.0 percent. The Texas Civilian Labor Force reached its highest level ever at 12.1 million workers in November.

Total nonagricultural employment in Texas increased by 17,300 positions in November for a total of almost 70,000 jobs over the

past two months, while the nation as a whole lost 122,000 jobs.

"Texas employers added a significant number of jobs in most industries during October and November," said Texas Workforce Commission (TWC) Chairman Tom Pauken. "Job growth coupled with a lower unemployment rate indicate movement in a positive direction for Texas."

During November, Mining and Logging employment increased by 5,100 jobs, Financial Activities employment rose by 4,700 jobs, and Professional and Business Services added 3,300 positions. Leisure and

Hospitality employment increased by 4,800 positions in November.

"Job growth in the last two months has been encouraging, however we know many Texans still are out of work," said TWC Commissioner Representing Labor Ronny Congleton. "TWC and staff at the

28 workforce boards remain committed to serving Texas claimants with job-search assistance and training available to all job seekers." Education and Health Services employment grew by 4,600 jobs in November, marking 14 consecutive monthly employment gains in

that industry. Since November 2008, employment in Education and Health Services increased by 60,000 jobs, a 4.6 percent gain.

"Seven of 11 industries recorded job growth in November, most notably the consecutive months of job growth in Education and Health Services," said TWC Commissioner Representing the Public Andres Alcantar. "Texans searching for work can continue to find assistance at workforce centers across the state."

The Amarillo Metropolitan Statistical Area (MSA) experienced the lowest unemployment rate in the state at 5.3 percent (not seasonally adjusted), followed by the Lubbock MSA with 5.4 percent, and the Midland MSA with 5.6 percent.

County Democratic Party Chairperson to resign

With only one candidate filing for the Democratic Party Primary Election in Callahan County, there is a possibility the County Democratic Party Primary Election will not take place.

Democratic County Chairwoman Heather Guthrie said Monday afternoon, December 28th she will resign her post as the Party Chairperson and rescind her filing for re-election to the post.

Guthrie said because candidate fees are used to hold the Primary Election, the County Democratic Party has received only \$375 in filing fees to hold the March 2nd Primary Election and that it takes \$5,400 to hold the election.

Guthrie said Hart Electronics, which Callahan County has contracted to setup the electronic ballot, is asking the County Democratic Party to pay \$5,400 before they'll agree to print the electronic ballot for Callahan County.

Guthrie said her decision to resign from the post of Democratic Party Chairperson has nothing to do with anybody.

She said the problem with Hart Electronics came to a head when she received an email from Hart on December 22nd, asking the Democratic Party to pay the entire fee for setting up the electronic ballot for the county before the Primary Election.

Guthrie said she's been in contact with the State Democratic Party about the problem with Hart Electronics, and she said Callahan County is not the only Texas county having a problem with the election firm. "This is not an isolated case," Guthrie said. "There are other County Chairpersons facing this problem with Hart," Guthrie added. She said the State Democratic

Party will reimburse the County for the expense of holding an election, but it could take up to a couple of months to receive the funds from the state.

Guthrie said Hart Electronics requires the County Party Chairperson to sign a personal contract stating the County Party Chairperson is liable for the cost of holding the election.

The County Party Chairperson said she will also contact Callahan County Treasurer Donna Bell about the problem with Hart Electronics and try to figure out something before the Democratic Party filing deadline, which is Monday, January 4th.

Guthrie said the Callahan County Democratic Party receives no other county funds to hold an election—that all fees from a candidate filing are used to hold the election. "I don't make a dime doing this," Guthrie said of her volunteering for the Party County post.

Baird Justice of the Peace Steve Odom is the only Democratic Party candidate who has filed so far.

"If I'd known we (County Democratic Party) were going to lose so many Democratic candidates, I would have done something sooner," Guthrie said.

Guthrie said her reason for resigning as the County Democratic Party Chairperson is a hard decision. "If somebody wants to run for this post, I'd be happy for them to do it," Guthrie said. She said because the County Party Chairperson is a volunteer position, she no longer has time to continue to do it. "There's been a lot more stress than I'm able to handle," Guthrie said for her reason to resign from the post and to rescind her filing for re-election to the post.

USDA implements new crop disaster assistance program

Producers May Begin Applying for SURE Program at FSA County Offices on Jan. 4, 2010

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24, 2009 - Agriculture Secretary Tom Vilsack today announced that USDA has implemented the new Supplemental Revenue Assistance Payments program (SURE) in accordance with the 2008 Farm Bill. Vilsack also encouraged producers to visit their USDA Farm Service Agency (FSA) county office beginning on January 4, 2010, to participate in the program if they suffered crop production losses during the 2008 crop year.

"This program is an important component of the farm safety net and will provide financial assistance to producers who have suffered crop losses due to natural disasters," said Vilsack. "Producers will receive payments beginning in January, in time to help them with planning for next year's crop."

SURE provides crop disaster assistance payments to eligible producers on farms that have

incurred crop production or crop quality losses. The program takes into consideration crop losses on all crops grown by a producer nationwide. SURE provides assistance in an amount equal to 60 percent of the difference between the SURE farm guarantee and total farm revenue. The farm guarantee is based on the amount of crop insurance and Non-insured Crop Disaster Assistance Program (NAP) coverage on the farm. Total farm revenue takes into account the actual value of production on the farm as well as insurance indemnities and certain farm program payments.

To be eligible for SURE, producers must have suffered at least a 10 percent production loss on a crop of economic significance. In addition, producers must meet the risk management purchase requirement by either obtaining a policy or plan of insurance, under the Federal Crop Insurance Act or NAP coverage, for all economically significant crops. For 2008 crops, producers had the opportunity to obtain a waiver

of the risk management purchase requirement through a buy-in provision. Producers considered socially disadvantaged, a beginning farmer or rancher, or a limited resource farmer may be eligible for SURE without a policy or plan of insurance or NAP coverage.

In addition to meeting the risk management purchase requirement, a producer must have a farming interest physically located in a county that was declared a primary disaster county or contiguous county by the Agriculture Secretary under a Secretarial Disaster Designation. Regardless of a Secretarial Disaster Designation, individual producers may also be eligible for SURE if the actual production on the farm is less than 50 percent of the normal production on the farm due to a natural disaster. For SURE, a farm is defined as all crops in which a producer had an interest nationwide.

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New year means new regulation for Texas cattle

Thinking about selling, leasing, bartering or even giving away a breeding bull?

On January 1, 2010, Texas bulls that undergo a change of ownership (except to slaughter) must be either certified as a virgin bull or be tested first for cattle trichomoniasis, a protozoal disease that can cause cows to abort very early in pregnancy. Infected bulls carry the microscopic "bug" that causes trichomoniasis without any signs and can transmit the single-celled protozoa to cows during breeding. "There is no effective treatment for bulls, and once infected, they can continue to spread trichomoniasis when they breed," said Dr. Dee Ellis, who, on January 1, will be Texas' new state veterinarian and head of the Texas Animal Health Commission (TAHC), the state's livestock and poultry health regulatory agency.

"Infected cows may clear the infection, but only if they are given rest from breeding for 120-150 days an expensive option, as a calf crop will be missed. A vaccine also is available to help in the management of infected cows, but it will not prevent infection.

"The country's western states have long-standing cattle trichomoniasis regulations. About two years ago, the Texas ranching industry requested similar regulations, to protect against the introduction and the spread of cattle trichomoniasis, or "trich." For months, representatives from the state's ranching, marketing and veterinary industries worked with the TAHC to develop effective regulations to control the disease, which affects herd productivity and an operation's bottom line. In April 2009, the TAHC enacted requirements for bulls entering Texas. In-state regulations were delayed until January 1, 2010. "For months, we have worked with the Texas cattle industry to inform producers and have participated in many meetings about cattle trichomoniasis and the regulations. More than 600 accredited private veterinarians in Texas have been certified to collect samples for trichomoniasis testing, and we are ready to implement the intrastate regulations for bulls undergoing a change of ownership in Texas," said Dr. Ellis. Dr. Ellis said the regulations will apply to bulls being sold, traded, leased or

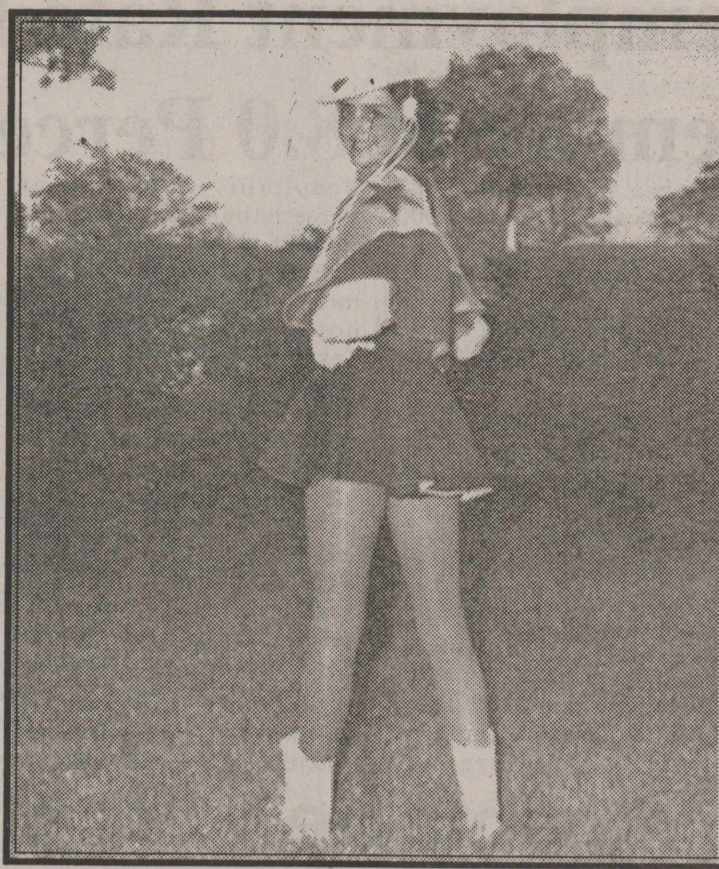
undergoing any change of ownership (except for slaughter). The regulations include three basic steps:

1. Identify the bull. Identification is essential for matching animals with virgin bull certificates or test documents. One form of identification is needed, and it may be an official USDA ear tag, breed registry brand or tattoo, an 840 flap, bangle or an 840 radio frequency identification device. If the bull originated from another state, it may have that state's official state of origin trichomoniasis ear tag (Texas does not have an official trich ear tag). An accredited veterinarian can apply an official USDA ear tag.

1. Certify virgin bulls. A breeder can certify the bull as a virgin, if the animal was raised away from cows after weaning, and the bull is 24 months of age or younger. A Texas-origin bull's virgin status may be extended to 30 months, if the virgin certificate is signed also by the breeder's accredited veterinarian. Virgin bulls are not required to have a trichomoniasis test prior to change of ownership. Virgin bull certificates are available at no cost on the TAHC web page at <http://www.tahc.state.tx.us>.

1. Test older or non-virgin bulls. Bulls older than 30 months or bulls that were maintained with cows after weaning must have a negative trichomoniasis test within 30 days prior to change of ownership. A certified, accredited veterinarian must collect the sample for testing at the Texas Veterinary Medical Diagnostic Laboratory. While awaiting test results, which usually takes about a week, the bulls must be kept away from cows. Upon receipt of the negative test results, the animal is ready for change of ownership. "Breeding bulls that haven't been certified as virgins or tested are considered to be slaughter-only bulls," said Dr. Ellis. "In some cases, however, buyers may want an untested bull, although they may be buying trouble. We have provisions under the regulations for untested bulls to be identified and moved under a TAHC-issued hold order and movement permit. The animal must be isolated from female cattle, and cannot be moved until it is tested within 30 days of purchase at the owner's expense." In Texas, two tests are accepted. One is the Real Time

Polymerase Chain Reaction test, or PCR, which looks for the DNA of the protozoa. Because only one PCR test is needed to detect infection, this may become the preferred method for producers who want to move cattle more quickly. The second acceptable test is the culture test, and it involves looking for the protozoa under a microscope. A series of three culture tests is needed, each conducted at least seven days apart," said Dr. Ellis. "Because cattle trichomoniasis is a reportable disease, we will be notified regarding test-positive animals," explained Dr. Ellis. "Test-positive bulls may undergo a confirmation test, provided the owner or the accredited, certified veterinarian makes the request within five days of the positive results." Because there is no effective treatment, infected bulls must go to slaughter within 30 days of confirmation." The remaining bulls in the herd will be held, isolated from female cattle, until they undergo two consecutive negative RT-PCR tests, each conducted at least seven days apart, or three consecutive negative culture tests, with each of the tests conducted at least seven days apart. When they are confirmed negative for trichomoniasis, the bulls remaining in the herd are free to be moved or to be commingled with cows. "The cattle trichomoniasis regulations can save cattle producers a lot of money in the long run, because this disease greatly affects calf production. If you are obtaining a breeding bull, make sure the animal has been certified as a virgin or was tested, for your herd's sake," said Dr. Ellis. "We will be reviewing the regulations on a yearly basis with an industry working group, to ensure that the rules remain timely and effective." Texas' trichomoniasis entry requirements for breeding bulls is similar to the intrastate regulations, but allows out-of-state bulls to be certified as virgins only until 24 months of age. Exhibition or competition bulls may enter Texas without a trichomoniasis test, but must be kept away from female cattle. The TAHC must be contacted in advance of entry for a waiver of the test requirement to be issued on exhibition bulls. The TAHC's cattle trichomoniasis regulations and additional information are available on the TAHC web site at: <http://www.tahc.state.tx.us>.



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Submitted by
Baylis Pope

Commissioners approve one bid, reject two bids for County surplus equipment

The Callahan County Commissioners approved one bid and rejected two bids for surplus County equipment during the commissioners' court regular meeting held Monday, December 28th at the County Courthouse in Baird.

County Judge Roger Corn read a bid submitted by Eddie Riley on a 1985 GMC flat bed truck located in Commissioner's Precinct #2 in the amount of \$425.00. Commissioner Bryan Farmer made a motion to accept the bid and Commissioner Tom Windham seconded the motion. The motion carried by a 5-0 vote.

Judge Corn read the bids submitted by Paul A. Lemon on a 992B Cat rubber tire loader in the amount of \$3,200.00 and a bid of \$800.00 on Ford Tiger Mower, both located in Commissioner's Precinct #1. Commissioner Harold Hicks made a motion to reject both bids. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Cliff Kirkham and was approved with a 5-0 vote.

Other agenda items brought before the commissioners' court meeting included:

—Callahan County Judge Roger Corn called the regular 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.

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

—Under public comments,

Jeromy McCormick gave a report on his Eagle Scout project at the Callahan County 4-H Shooting Range.

—There was no action on reinstating the Burn Ban. The County Burn Ban will remain lifted.

—Bill Richardson came before the commissioners' court to voice his concern over Voting Precinct #6 in Clyde being consolidated with Voting Precinct #4 in Cross Plains. He felt this caused an inconvenience to voters. He was reassured that this would not happen again. No action was taken.

—Commissioner Windham made a motion to accept the written County Policy for paying bills. Commissioner Kirkham seconded the motion and the motion was approved with a 5-0 vote.

—Commissioner Hicks made a motion to change the July 4, 2010 County Holiday from Friday, July 2, 2010 to Monday, July 5, 2010. Commissioner Farmer seconded the motion and the motion carried with a 5-0 vote.

—Commissioner Farmer made a motion to accept the contract with C.I.R.A. Package #3 allowing them to maintain the County Webpage. Commissioner Kirkham seconded the motion. The motion carried with a 5-0 vote.

—Commissioner Windham made a motion to pay the approved bills. Commissioner Farmer seconded the motion, which then carried by a 5-0 vote.

—A motion was made by Commissioner Windham and seconded by Commissioner Farmer to adjourn the commissioners' court meeting at 10:05 a.m. The motion carried with a unanimous 5-0 vote.

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