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CROSS PLAINS, CALLAHAN COUNTY, TEXAS 76443

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Project Pride makes Donation to Centennial Committee — Tom Stephenson (right) presents Centennial Committee Chair Ron Rhodes (left) with a \$500.00 donation from Project Pride to help support the year long celebration. Other members of Project Pride and the Centennial Committee shown above are: (Left) Tom Rone, Peg Terrell, Anne Rone, Bettye Sue Adams, John Adams and Era Lee Hanke.

Participation in the City of Cross Plains Centennial Is On the Move

Financial support for the Centennial celebration is growing as the list of activities being planned by community groups. In addition to a \$500 donation from Project Pride, donations have been received recently from Cross Plains Grain and Peanut, Johnson's Dry Goods, Southwest Gas Company and Liveoak Land and Real Estate. All donations are going into the general operating fund for the Centennial and will be used primarily for advertising.

The Centennial Singers are developing into an awesome collection of local talent. Director Kerry Mann has located three really catchy tunes from the 1910-1920's that will be performed at the January 12 kick-off. The group will be singing at various functions throughout the year, so it's definitely not too late to join the fun. Although the initial performance is at 1:00 on Wednesday, other activities will be in the evenings and maybe some weekends. Thus, there's a place for everybody who's somewhat musically inclined and

would like to be a part of a once in a lifetime experience. The next AND VERY IMPORTANT practice is at the Senior Center on Monday, January 10, 7:00 p.m.

Linda Burns has offered to put together a collage of historical pictures of Cross Plains that can be displayed at events around town throughout the year. Anybody who has pictures of "100 years of life in Cross Plains" is encouraged to take them by the Public Library any afternoon so Linda can scan them for the display.

Connie Kirkham is coordinating a historical quilt that will also be displayed throughout the year. Several folks are hard at work making blocks of old businesses and other attractions around town. Hustle on down to Connie's Cuts & Curls on Main Street and offer your talent to make a block.

The Library is sponsoring a Centennial Trivia Contest on February 26. Now that sounds like a lot of fun—gather up your circle of history buffs and get signed up.

The Barbarian Festival

Committee is going yet a different direction; they plan to collect and scan pictures of old businesses and family photos and combine them with memories into a publication. What a fantastic souvenir! It sounds like a serious trivia team could be coming from that group.

A Texas flag that will fly over the State Capitol on January 12, 2011 has been promised to the Beta Sigma Phi Sorority to be flown locally on special occasions. WOW!

What centennial celebration in any community would be complete without having the ultimate, historically accurate publication available? Local historian and noted genealogy researcher Ann Beeler is working on this book with help from Robert E. Howard scholars Rusty Burke and Rob Roehm.

If other groups are getting ideas nailed down as their way to celebrate, please e-mail the info to the Planning Committee at CentCP@yahoo.com or call 254-725-4993.

January is School Board Recognition Month

(Austin) - Governor Rick Perry has proclaimed January 2011 as School Board Recognition Month. Districts across the state will use this opportunity to show their appreciation of the critical role elected boards of education play in their local schools and communities.

"The biggest challenges facing the education system can also be among its greatest strengths. For example, during a time when state and national mandates rightly place more emphasis than ever on setting the bar high for education, it remains important for each community to retain control of its own educational system," Governor Perry said.

Balancing the need for local control with directives coming down from larger governmental bodies is a difficult and oftentimes unappreciated task, but for over two centuries, American school boards have risen to such challenges. School boards also deal with issues such as the rapidly expanding

role of technology in the classroom, the challenge to keep our children both well-educated and physically active, and as always the difficulties inherent in dealing with budgetary priorities.

"The people who make up these boards volunteer their time because they care about their communities and their schools. Each year, the Texas Association of School Boards (TASB) designates January as School Board Recognition Month, to emphasize the importance of the services these dedicated men and women provide to the schools and students of Texas. At this time, I urge all Texans to recognize the invaluable contributions realized through the work of our school boards," he said.

"More than 7,000 locally elected school board members serve a crucial role in our communities and schools. These dedicated men and women strive to maintain the health of every district and serve as strong advocates for

our kids. In a time of financial uncertainty, they are willing to step forward to face the critical challenges facing our public schools," said James B. Crow, TASB executive director.

"We hope every community will say thanks to these board members for their commitment and offer support as they voluntarily tackle the important task of governing school districts. Local trustees tirelessly work with parents and educators to develop sound education policies and set high standards for student success. We applaud them for shouldering enormous responsibilities and making the time to share their vision and voice about the future of Texas schoolchildren," Crow said.

TASB is a nonprofit association established in 1949 to serve local Texas school districts. School board members are the largest group of publicly elected officials in the state. The districts they represent serve more than 4.7 million public school students.

School to Host Centennial Kick-off

Make your plans to adjust lunch breaks, close the business doors for awhile and make whatever changes necessary to attend Cross Plains Centennial Kick-off on Wednesday, January 12, 1:00 p.m. in the school auditorium.

A brief re-enactment of the auction of lots that established Cross Plains on its existing site will be the historical highlight of the short program. Coordinated by Becky Isbell and Arlene Stephenson, the realistic skit will feature a number of local residents in the various roles of auctioneer, townsite committee, bidders and interested by-standers. Better come and check out this cast of "not quite

ready for prime time players."

Older members of our community will remember the popular song "Over There" that became a rally cry of World War I. This song, along with two other peppy tunes from the 1910-1920 decade, will be performed by the Centennial Singers. Kerry Mann is the creative force behind this musical group and promises more memorable songs to be sung throughout the year.

Other musical selections will be presented by Matt Sowell and the High School Band, the official proclamation will be read by Mayor Ray Purvis and Centennial Committee Chair Ron Rhodes

will share some thoughts about upcoming activities.

The brand new Centennial t-shirt will be available for the first time in a wide selection of colors and a reception will be set up in the back foyer of the auditorium.

Parents are encouraged to make an effort to attend this program so they can better discuss the history of Cross Plains with their students who will be attending.

A once in a lifetime opportunity—kicking off a year of celebrating your town's 100th anniversary—Wednesday, January 12, 1:00 p.m., Cross Plains School Auditorium. See you there!

Cross Plains featured in regional guide

Cross Plains is one of 40 communities in the region featured in the 2011 Texas Midwest Guide.

Clyde and Baird information is also included in the guide.

The 2011 Texas Midwest Guide, now in circulation, is a marketing project of Texas Midwest Community Network. This year's guide is the 16th edition of the annual publication that showcases quality of life and points of interest in the region.

Each year the Texas Midwest Guide includes community information, attractions, recreation, lodging and much more information about the Texas Midwest region. Distribution of 70,000 copies goes to Texas Travel Information Centers along the State's borders, chambers of commerce, CVBs, hotels & motels and advertisers throughout the region.

An online turn-the-page version of the Guide is at www.texasmidwestguide.org. All websites on community pages and ad spaces have hot links from the online guide.

For more information about Texas Midwest Community Network, visit the website www.texasmidwest.org

Ag Booster Meeting Thursday, January 6th 6:00 p.m. High School Ag Building

If you have a child in FFA or Jr. FFA, please attend this meeting.

Cottonwood Musical Friday, January 7

Come out to Cottonwood on Friday night, January 7th, for the Cottonwood Musical featuring some of the Big Country's best local musicians. Chuck Patrick will emcee the event.

The musical will be held in the Cottonwood Community Center, which was once the community's school house. In case it's cold, the woodburning stoves will be on in the building, just as they were for

the school children years ago.

The doors open at 5 p.m. and the music starts at 5:30 p.m. Admission is FREE.

Sandwiches, stew, dessert, coffee, soft drinks, water and iced tea will be available in the kitchen area of the building. Proceeds from the kitchen go toward the upkeep and maintenance of the Community Center.

Attention Centurion Local Ranching and Farming Landowners

As we celebrate the 100th anniversary of Cross Plains, we want to honor the ranchers and farmers who helped grow this wonderful town.

The committee is in the process of making plans to be a part of this year long Centennial celebration.

If your family has owned

ranching or farming land continually for 100 or more years and you consider Cross Plains home, please call one of the following committee members for more information: Jean McWilliams 254-725-6455, Jane Bonner 254-725-6257 or Karen Adams 325-624-5501.

Services Were Held for Homer J. Simons Wednesday, January 5th

Homer J. Simons, age 82, passed away Sunday, January 2, 2011 at his home in Cross Plains. Funeral services were held at 10:00 a.m. Wednesday, January 5, 2011 at Higginbotham Funeral Chapel in Cross Plains with Mike Kelly officiating. Burial followed in the Cross Plains Cemetery.

Homer was born on September 25, 1928 to Elmer James and Ellen Elizabeth (Goodwin) Simons in Callahan County, Texas. He married Fay Melton in Waxahachie in 1954. He worked with heavy equipment and installed septic tanks, as well as dug graves in and around Callahan County. Homer chose his place of worship 48 years ago as he helped build and later provided music and sang with the body of believers at the Revival

Center here in Cross Plains. He also played guitar and sang with the Barn Boys at Jean's Feed Barn every Thursday evening for many years.

Survivors include his wife, Fay Simons of Cross Plains; sons, Burlie and wife Brenda Simons of Putnam and David and Bobbie Simons of Valley Mills; a daughter, Brandy Pence of Kentucky; a brother, Clovis Simons of Cross Plains; sisters, Wanema Aiken of Abilene and Vega Sallee of Carbon; eight grandchildren, thirteen great-grandchildren and one great-great-grandchild.

He was preceded in death by his parents; two brothers, Dewitt and Steve Simons; and a sister, Clea Jackson.

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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

David Braun, Pastor
 Church (254) 725-6266
 Friendly Church Bible Teaching

Triple Cross Cowboy Church

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 Services held at 18071 CR 421, Cross Plains
 (1/2 mile North of Cross Plains city limits on Hwy 206)

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

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JOE W. BROWN
Joe W. Brown

Joe Wesley Brown, 77, of Pioneer passed away on December 23, 2010 at his home in Pioneer. Arrangements by Dove Funeral Home in Abilene. He was born September 26, 1933 in northern Brown county to Jess and Agnes Brown. Jess and Joe were descendants of Bartlett Sims, who was one of Stephen F. Austin's original 300 families in Texas. Joe was very proud of that distinction. As a boy and a young man, Joe was known to many people as "Joe Boy". He was in one of the last classes to attend school at Pioneer before being transferred to Cross Plains schools. In 1955 he married Maryann Smith of Cisco, then joined the U.S. Coast Guard for 4 years. Joe and Maryann had 5 children. When he returned to Pioneer he went into the grain harvesting business for 15 years. He owned Brownwood Vending Co. and also Lake Brownwood TV Cable Co. Joe was one of the pioneers in the TV satellite business and owned SataVision at Lake Brownwood, San Angelo and Abilene. Joe was very much like his father in the way that he was a very hard working man and was always busy doing something.

After Joe's children were grown he left the Pioneer area in search of a different life. He found the life he loved when he was introduced to the Hot Air Balloon. He loved the way it felt to be floating in the air. He loved it so much that he became a balloon pilot. This led him to Africa, where he met his future wife, Gillian. Joe loved traveling with Gillian and they saw some exciting, romantic and beautiful places together, including trips through East and South Africa and throughout Central America.

Joe is survived by his wife Gillian; three sisters, Earlene Burge of Brownwood, Betty Greenman and Katheryn Brown of Fort Worth; one brother, Rudolph and wife Sarah of Denton; four sons: Jeff Brown of Pioneer, Ken Brown and wife Alma of Sand Springs, OK, Dennis Brown and wife Sharon of Albuquerque, NM, Tommy Brown and wife Melanie of San Diego, CA and one daughter Susan Bridges and husband Chipper of Elgin, TX. He leaves behind six Grandsons, Matthew & Mark Brown of Sand Springs, OK; Arlie Bridges III and wife Ricie of Temple, Andrew Bridges and girlfriend Kerri Dean of Rancho Cucamonga, CA; Jason Brown stationed at Fort Lewis in Tacoma, WA and Dane Brown and wife Majdah of Albuquerque. He also leaves two Great-Grandsons, Noble Brown and Logan Bridges. Joe also had many nieces and nephews who loved him dearly that will miss him.

Joe was preceded in death by his grandparents, his parents Jess and Agnes Brown of Pioneer, a brother Harold Lester and a sister Mary.

Joe has requested that there be a party to celebrate his life. This celebration will take place starting at 11:00 a.m., Saturday, January 15, 2011. It will be held at Joe's old home place south of Pioneer (617 CR 247 Rising Star).

"No flowers, No tears, only Laughter"

PUBLIC FAX
 (254) 725-7225

Jessie Mae Reddick

Jessie Mae Reddick, age 80, of Rising Star, passed away Wednesday, December 29, 2010 in Abilene. Graveside service was held Monday, January 3, 2010, at 2:00 p.m. at the Pioneer Cemetery Pavilion with Bobby Jack McCowen officiating.

Arrangements were under the direction of Higginbotham Funeral Home of Cross Plains.

Jessie was born on July 13, 1930 in Mexia, Texas to Jesse W. and Thenia May (Tabor) Flippin. She married Lee Roy Reddick on September 15, 1948 in Williams, Texas.

She was a homemaker and a caregiver. Jessie was very involved in the community and local school. She was one of the driving forces to obtain water in the Pioneer Cemetery and in having the pavilion built. She was a member of the Pioneer Baptist Church.

She was preceded in death by her parents, husband, Lee Roy Reddick, brother, Bill Flippin, and two sisters, Leona Flippin and Frances Larkin.

Survivors include two sons, Roy Reddick of Cross Plains and Randell Reddick of San Angelo; two daughters, Jessa Gilbreath of Abilene and Sharon Creviston of Irving; and five grandchildren.

Memorial donations may be sent to Roy Reddick, 602 Hwy 36 West, Rising Star, TX 76471 or the Pioneer Cemetery Association.

Marvin J. House

Marvin J. House was born November 29, 1921 in Lexington, Texas and passed away on December 31, 2010 at the age of 89.

Funeral services were held at 12:00 on Wednesday, January 5, 2011 at Mission Park Funeral Chapels South followed by interment with Full Military Honors at Ft. Sam Houston National Cemetery.

Mr. House enlisted in the U.S. Army at the age of 15 and served his country during WW II. He was a Prisoner of War, but later escaped to rejoin his unit in battle. He spent many years with the Southwest High School 4-H Club, rodeo team, and was a drill team leader. He was also a longtime member of the Lytle Roping Club. Mr. House will be remembered for his generosity in helping kids in need and the influence he made in their lives.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Nelda I. House in 2002, as well as his brother, Aubrey, and a sister, Betty.

Survivors include his sons, Marvin House Jr. of Coleman, Ronald House and wife Virginia of San Antonio and Johnny House and wife Kathy of Ballinger; two daughters, Peggy Brame of Coleman and Debbie Bacon and husband Jeff of Cisco; two sisters, Zelma and Mildred; grandchildren, Jennifer Serrata, Scott Brame, Rainey Bacon, Shasta Bacon, Nathan House, Rhiannon House; and great-grandchildren, Tyler Brame, Brooklyn Hogrell, Dylan Brame, Avery House, Ivery House and Emery House; and numerous nieces and nephews.

For personal acknowledgments you may sign the guest book at www.mikssionprks.com in the obituary section.

CONTINUE TO PRAY FOR RAIN TO HEAL OUR LAND

Courthouse News

CALLAHAN COUNTY COURTHOUSE NEWS
 Roger Corn, Presiding

Jayson Owen, transfer request from Taylor Co. to Ward Co. granted.

Misdemeanor Filings

Aubrey S. Burns, possession of marijuana.
 Trenton M. Lesikar, criminal trespass.
 Charles L. Allen, criminal trespass.
 Francis J. Turner, driving while intoxicated (DWI).
 Allen Fountain aka Al-Yahnai Hawkins, assault - family violence.

Marriage Licenses

Aaron J. Young of Clyde and Elizabeth K. Mills of Abilene.
 Nicholas A. McBee and Jennifer A. Howard, both of Clyde.

42nd DISTRICT COURT
 John Weeks, presiding

Criminal Minutes

Michael Earl Blue, judgment revoking probation, sentenced to prison.

Civil Filings

Ryan Timothy Hanson and Lacey Sue Hanson, divorce.
 William Joyce, ex parte, writ of habeas corpus - bond reduction.
 In the estate of Lee Peter Ivanoski, deceased, motion to file estate lien.

Misdemeanor Minutes

Terry Adams, motion to dismiss to theft by check granted in the interest of justice.
 Charles B. Archer, motion to dismiss to theft by check granted, completion of PTD Program.
 David Paul Savage, transfer request from Taylor Co. to Ector Co. granted.

A Week Without Advertising Makes a Business Weak

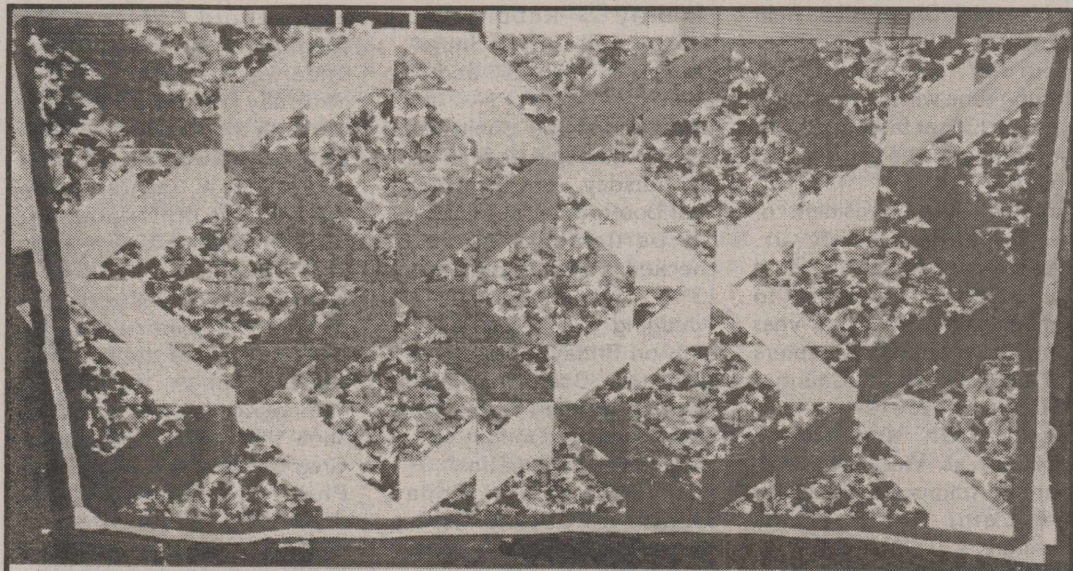
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 Sunday Evening Worship 6:30 pm
 Wednesday 6:30 pm Prayer/Worship
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COTTONWOOD NEWS

BEVERLY BROWN



The Thunder Creek Trail Pattern Quilt — This beautiful quilt in golds and browns makes a wonderful fundraiser prize for the Cottonwood Volunteer Fire Control Group.

This Friday, January 7th we're having the first Cottonwood Musical of the New Year! Chuck Patrick will be on hand to emcee the program of great local and area musicians. Doors open at 5 p.m. and the music starts at 5:30 p.m.

As always, the musical is FREE. The wood-burning stoves will be on in the building. Feel free to bring a blanket, if you'd like.

A pot of homemade stew will be simmering in the kitchen, along with sandwiches, pie, coffee, iced tea and soft drinks. Proceeds from the kitchen go toward the care and maintenance of the Community Center. Look forward to seeing you at the musical.

The Fire Control Group is taking chances on a beautiful "Thunder Creek Trail" pattern quilt in gold and brown. The quilt was pieced by Sue Bennett and hand-quilted by the Cottonwood Quilting Club. The quilt will be on display at the musical, at Texas Heritage Bank and at other

events. Tickets are \$1 each or 6 for \$5. You can get tickets from Deana Terstegge by calling 254-725-7281.

Barbara and Donnie Worley, Gayla Creamer and her family, Carlisle and Summer Albrecht and family all spent New Year's Day at the home of Charlotte and Alton Haston and family in Jacksboro. Their son Cole was on leave from the U.S. Navy over the New Year's holiday. The family celebrated Christmas and New Year's on New Year's Day.

New Year's Eve gathering with Nadine, Bill and Annette Nickerson were: Charlie and Kala Rogers and son, Caleb of Graham; Dena Jo and Curtis Hines of Weatherford; Kathy Franke and grandchildren from Hamby; Jeff and Treana Hines and children of Abilene; Willie and Jennie Nickerson and children; Kevin and Jessica Nickerson and children; Connie Potter and family; Mary Ella Weaver; and Billie and Bill Kelly.

The Fire Control Group's Fish Fry—the Third Annual, will be held on **Saturday, January 29th** at the First Baptist Church Family Life Center in Cross Plains. The group is raising money for their equipment fund to keep the trucks up and in good working order. David, from Mexico City Cafe, will be making the fish and chicken. Arnie Smith is cooking the beans. Everyone will be pitching in to help! Also on the menu is French fries, hushpuppies and coleslaw.

The Cottonwood Quilting Club's Rehab Quilt is on line at the West Texas Rehabilitation Center auction website: rehabauction.org. Click on "quilts", then click on #901—Starry Night—Queen to see a full color version of it. The 88" X 88" quilt has a large star in the middle surrounded by log cabins and boxed stars. You can bid on the quilt right on the Rehab website. The auction continues through January 22nd.

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LIBRARY NOTES

December 27-31, 2010

Patrons: 128

Books Checked Out: 72

Copies: 9

Internet Users: 70

Volunteers:

Sue Bennett
Wilma Lawrence

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

FREE Childhood Immunizations Available Thursday

FREE Childhood Immunizations (Available for children 2 months to 18 years of age). Sponsored by Abilene Care Van & Caring For Children Foundation of Texas. The immunization clinic will be held Thursday, January 6, 2011 from 5 pm - 7 pm at the Medical Care Mission located at 1857 Pine, Abilene, TX.

*Please bring your child's immunization record
*Child must be accompanied by parent or guardian
*VFC Eligible
For additional information please call 2-1-1 Texas A Call for Help or visit www.carevan.org.

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Cross Plains Senior Citizens Center

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- * Answers to your questions about medications

For more information Call the Cross Plains Senior Citizens Center site manager Amber Thomas

The Brown Bag Medication Checkup is a public service provided by Walgreens Pharmacy and the Cross Plains Senior Citizens Center.

OLD FOLKS AND COWPOKES

JAMES NICHOLS

Fred and Hugh

Part 7

Ada was a beautiful and gracious lady who shared her charm and good fortune with friends and neighbors. She was a devoted Methodist and added much to the culture of the young people of Cross Plains. Ada gave untold advantages to many young people less fortunate during the great depression of the thirties.

The year would not be complete without Fred and Hugh's annual trip on the first five days in July to Stamford for the Old Settler's Cowboys Reunion. Stamford was a true West Texas town filled with gracious hosts and hostesses, beautiful horses, gorgeous cowboys, wonderful exhibits and a rodeo with a great grand entrance led by seasoned cowboys.

Before terminal illness took their tired bodies, but not their wonderful spirits, Fred and Hugh attended some fifty reunions and enjoyed every one.

They would spend the hot windy days talking about old times and viewing the stock. They looked forward to enjoying the dance.

Fred would hurry to the hotel and have a good shower to get rid of the dirty red dust, and put on a clean shirt.

Fred would say, "Hugh, I'm through with the shower, you can get cleaned up now. Ann put six clean shirts in the bag for you."

Hugh would unbutton the dust stained shirt he was wearing. He would run water in the lavatory and splash his dirty face and neck.

Fred would say, "Aren't you going to put a clean shirt on Hugh?"

Hugh would reply, "No, I think I'll just put on my tie." He was ready to go.

Hugh would get to the dance, pull out a lovely white man's handkerchief, shake it out and place it on his partner's back. Hugh had a wonderful time!

SENIOR CITIZEN CENTER ACTIVITIES:

BY AMBER THOMAS

WEEKLY ACTIVITIES

Monday, 10th - 10:00am Movie Monday. Cokes and Popcorn. Computer Classes.

Tuesday, 11th - 10:00am Mexican Train Dominoes, 11:00am Exercise Class.

Wednesday, 12th - Blood Pressure Checks by Girling, 10:30-11:30n

Thursday, 13th - 11:00am Exercise Class and Computer Classes.

Friday, 14th - Manicures 9:30-11:30

• Meals served from 11:45 - 12:45 pm for all seniors and their guests. Please call the day before to let us know you are coming!!
254-725-6521 - Center

NEEDS OF THE SENIOR CENTER:

Electric Skillet, Roasters and Griddles

HOME DELIVERED MEALS MUST CALL TO ORDER, AND OR CANCEL A MEAL NO LATER THAN 10:00 A.M.

Help Feed The Hungry

You can help feed the hungry in your own hometown by donating to the Cross Plains Senior Citizen Center. Home cooked hot meals are served 5 days a week to the Seniors in Cross Plains. The Center delivers Meals on Wheels to approximately 45 people each day. For many this is the only meal and only personal interaction they have all day. There are also many Seniors that come to the Center to eat lunch that are not able to pay. If you donate just \$5.00 this feeds one person on a home delivered meal or meal at the Center. Please consider donating to The Cross Plains Senior Citizen Center where your money will stay local. Call 254-725-6521 if you have any further questions.

VOLUNTEER DELIVERY DRIVERS NEEDED!!!!

The Cross Plains Senior Center is in need of a few great people to help deliver Meals On Wheels for the Seniors in this great community! Drivers and runners are both needed. If you know your way around Cross Plains then driving would be a great way to help. If you don't know your way around but are willing to ride and take the meals up to the houses, then we have openings for that too!! If you are interested or available please call the Center at (254)725-6521

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SENIOR CITIZENS MENU

JANUARY 10 - JANUARY 14

MONDAY- German Sausage, Potatoes, Greens, Fruit, Bread and Dessert, Tea/Coffee/Milk
TUESDAY- Salmon Patties, Succotash, Fruit, Bread and Dessert, Tea/Coffee/Milk
WEDNESDAY - Mozzarella Chicken, Pasta, Salad, Bread and Dessert, Tea/Coffee/Milk
THURSDAY- Chicken Strips, Potatoes, Black eye Peas, Bread and Dessert, Tea/Coffee/Milk
FRIDAY- Vegetable Soup, 1/2 Pimento Sandwich, Fruit, Bread and Dessert, Tea/Coffee/Milk

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

Come and Celebrate

Margaret Ann McNeel's
80th Birthday

Saturday,

January 8th

2 - 4 p.m.

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By Charles Chesshir
Cross Plains Church of Christ

The Cost of Pride

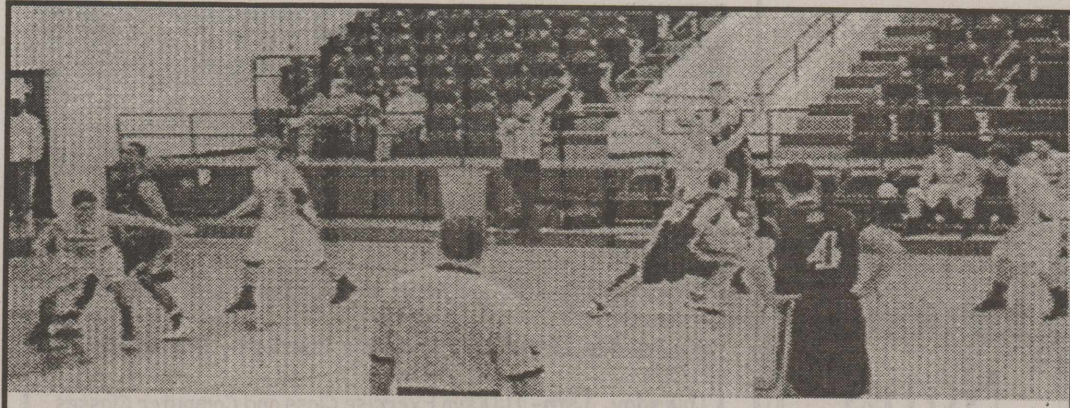
When pride comes, then comes disgrace, but with humility comes wisdom. (Proverbs 13:10). Not every reference to pride is negative and a measure of pride with regard to hygiene, dress and behavior is beneficial. There is pride which goes beyond beneficial and levies a horrific cost to our families. Three ways which illustrate this cost:

1.) **Pride which will not admit a mistake.** This inner conceit searches and finds excuses for atrocious behavior while refusing to acknowledge personal failure. Everyone makes mistakes and can be forgiven. Forgiveness always flows through our confession of the particular wrong. It cannot flow where pride intervenes and seeks to excuse faulty behavior.

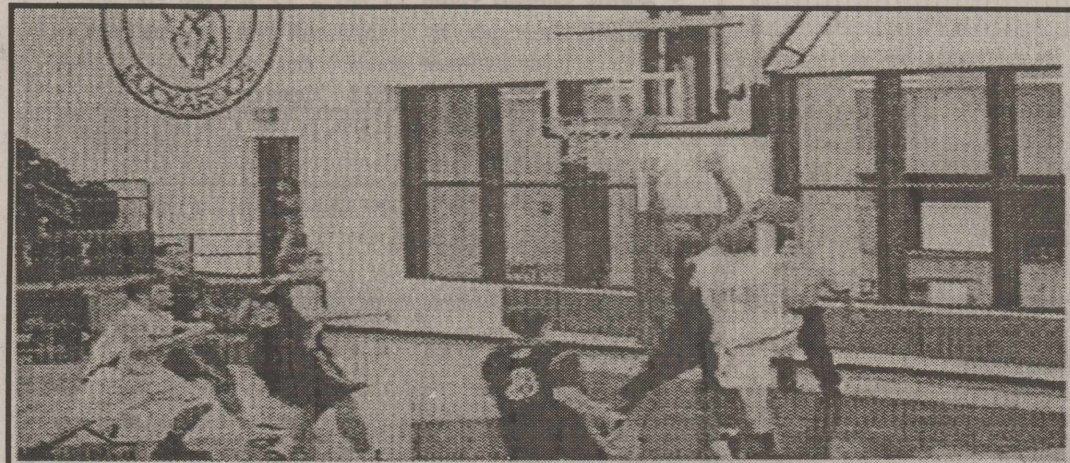
2.) **Pride which turns us into liars.** Denial and covering up destructive behavior are initiated by this pride. "I don't have a problem with drugs", "I don't eat that much", "I didn't do anything", "I didn't say anything". We've all heard these lies; even from our own lips. Every destructive behavior requires a measure of humility to correct. Lying destroys inner character as effectively as drunkenness or drugs destroy the body.

3.) **Pride which undermines our institutions.** Governments (National, State & Local) Schools, Churches and families fail to be effective when leaders allow pride to interfere with cooperation, common goals, common purposes, and shared successes. Pride seeks personal glory and credit instead of shared glory. While we have grown to tolerate this behavior as "normal", we cannot ignore the cost. They include: bloated wasteful ineffective government, school graduates that can't read, and churches that spend more preaching to themselves than the lost. We don't need to wonder where dysfunctional families come from.

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Buffaloes Playing Defense



Justin Golson Attacking The Basket



Justin Golson Shoots a Free Throw

Varsity Boys Basketball

Through the first 16 games of the season, the Buffaloes are sitting at 9-7. Of those 16 games, 8 of them were against larger school districts. The team has played well thus far competing in every game and almost pulling off a couple of upsets against Dublin and a very talented Fort Worth team. I am very pleased at where we are at right now, we are shooting the ball well and making good decisions in transition...we are limiting our turnovers and playing solid defense, holding our opponents on average to under 40 points a game, and at the same time averaging just above 50 points a game.

The Buffaloes participated in the Breckenridge Lions Club Tournament over the Christmas break taking home the Consolation trophy. Justin Golson was selected to the All-Tournament Team averaging 26 points over 3 games.

The team lost a close game in the first round to Fort Worth Country Day 45-42. Fort Worth started 3 players in the front court standing at 6'6", 6'6" and 6'3"...in the backcourt they had a point guard at 5'11" and a shooting guard at 6'5". The Buffaloes were at a mismatch in size, but they didn't let that discourage them...they played smart and together and even had a chance to put the game into overtime, but couldn't get the shot off that we wanted. Justin Golson led all scorers with 18 and Blake Hutchins added 12. The next day they faced Breckenridge JV winning by a score of 48-26. Justin Golson had a career high, 34 points and Cody Ford chipped in 8 assists and 7 steals. The last day of the tournament the team played the Woodson Cowboys for consolation. The boys played extremely well, the team shot 51% from the field and tallied 19

steals, 21 assists and 25 rebounds in their 75-23 win over Woodson. Justin Golson led all scorers with 24 points and Blake Hutchins right behind him with 23 points. Cody Ford added 11 points, 5 steals and 8 assists in the win.

On New Year's Eve, the Buffaloes hosted Aspermont in an early game. The boys started off well, played a little sloppy in the 3rd quarter and then got it together for their 3rd straight win beating Aspermont 61-30. Justin Golson led all scorers with 20 points, 12 rebounds and 2 blocked shots. Other scorers included Blake Hutchins with 10, Cody Ford with 8, 8 assists and 5 steals, Cody Self with 7 and Josh Branch with 5.

The Buffaloes next 4 games will be at home. They will match up first with Panther Creek on the 4th, Throckmorton on the 7th, Lipan on the 11th and the much anticipated Eula Pirates on Saturday the 15th. Come out and support your teams. All stats can be found at www.statsandgo.com.

PEEWEE BASKETBALL

Registration has begun. Pee Wee Basketball is open to 3rd-6th grade boys and girls. The cost is \$35.00. We are also looking for volunteers to coach. If you have any questions, contact Jaci Ellerbe at (254)725-6746.

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CROSS PLAINS SCHOOL MENU

JANUARY 10 - JANUARY 14

BREAKFAST
MONDAY-Biscuit, Sausage, Gravy, Fruit, Assorted Juice, and Milk
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THURSDAY - Hot or Cold Cereal, Toast, Fruit, Assorted Juice, and Milk
FRIDAY- **STOCK SHOW!!!!**

LUNCH
MONDAY- Pizza, Salad, Corn, Rosy-Applesauce, and Milk
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WEDNESDAY - Beef and Cheese Nachos, Salad, Pinto Beans, Fruit Crisp, and Milk
THURSDAY- Chicken & Rice, Mixed Vegetables, Bread Stick, Apple and Milk
FRIDAY- **STOCK SHOW!!!!**

Have a great week!

Callahan County Jr. Livestock Show set for January 13th-15th

The Annual Callahan County Jr. Livestock Show will be held Thursday, January 13th - Saturday, January 15th. Starting time will be Thursday, January 13th, at 5:30 p.m. with the judging of the poultry and rabbits.

Frankie Hyles, President of the Callahan County Jr. Livestock Association, said that entries are expected to number about 450 this year from the various FFA Chapters and 4-H Clubs in the County.

Other officers of the association are Burke Robinson as Vice President, Johnny Adkins as Treasurer and Cami Robinson as Secretary.

Superintendents for this year's show are:

Beef Cattle-Buster and Karen Smith
Market & Breeding Swine-Doug Johnston and Tom

Windham
Poultry & Rabbits-Betsy Robbins and Larry McIntire
Sheep & Goats-Bill and Kim Dean

Judging of the poultry and rabbits will begin at 5:30 p.m. on Thursday, January 13th with Paul Booth doing the judging. All participants must be checked in by 5:30 p.m. on the 13th.

Judging will begin at 8:00 a.m. on Friday, January 14th, with the Breeding Swine followed by the Market Swine Show. Pete McDougal will be judging the Swine Show.

At 1:30 p.m. on Friday, January 14th, Kelby Cowley, will start judging the Boer Goat Show, then the Market Goat Show, followed by the Market Sheep Show.

On the afternoon of the 14th from 2:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m. all steers and heifers will be

classified and weighed. Roy Shackelford, will get the judging of the Beef Cattle underway at 8:30 a.m. on Saturday morning, January 15th with the heifer show. Roy Shackelford will also judge the steer show immediately following the heifer show.

The Premium Sale will begin at 1:00 p.m. The Awards Presentation of all the trophies for the champion animals will be held prior to the premium sale auction.

Announcers for the three day show will be Jimmy Hargrove, Greg Gerngross, Robert Frost, Phil Mitchell and Doug Johnston.

Officials of the Show would like to invite everyone out for all or part of the show and support the young folks of Callahan County.

Submitted by: Jerry Warren, CEA-Ag

15 passenger vans-improperly inflated tires-no seat belts deadly combination

The use of 15-passenger vans by churches, colleges, school systems, daycares, and other community organizations is common. Although convenient, these vans pose a great risk to passengers when proper safety precautions are not followed. Recently, two tragic crashes of 15-passenger vans in Georgia and New York have left 10 dead and 23 injured. The contributing factors in both cases were tire failure on the vans and the lack of seat belt use by passengers.

While there is a federal law that prohibits selling a 15-passenger van to transport children to and from school, many childcare providers already own such vans and use them to transport children on field trips. Unlike school buses, these vans are not built to any government standards.

The National Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) has issued several warnings against 15-passenger vans. They are inherently dangerous and have a higher rate of rollover under certain conditions. A 15-passenger van does not handle like a passenger vehicle; it requires an experienced driver who has received additional training and operates these vehicles on a regular basis. With its higher center of gravity, the 15-passenger van is more prone to rollover crashes - especially when the tires are improperly inflated or if the van is overloaded. Texas AgriLife Extension agent, Martha Alice Sprabery, from Taylor County reminds owners and operators that by taking precautions, needless deaths and injuries in these vans may be prevented.

The van should never carry more than 15 passengers, and special attention needs to be given to tire maintenance since

improperly inflated tires make these vans more prone to rollovers. Studies show that nearly three-fourths of 15-passenger vans have improperly inflated tires. Make sure the correct size/capacity E-series commercial tires are used and that tire pressure is checked on a regular, weekly basis.

While seat belts are a proven way to reduce injuries and deaths, particularly in rollover crashes, many passengers in these vans do not buckle up. An unrestrained occupant in a 15-passenger van involved in a single-vehicle crash is approximately three times as likely to be killed as a restrained occupant. It is important that all occupants wear seat belts at all times when the vehicle is moving.

Fortunately, the seat belt law as well as the child safety seat law in Texas now covers occupants in 15-passenger vans. Before the September 2009 change in the law, these passengers were exempt from wearing seat belts. However, many 15-passenger vans do not have lap/shoulder belts in all positions, which poses a problem for adults as well as children. Children, who have outgrown conventional harness seats, need to be in booster seats that require lap/shoulder belts. Higher harness weight seats can be used in these situations.

Owners and operators of 15-passenger vans can increase their safety by following these safety tips from NHTSA:

- **Keep your passenger load light.** NHTSA research has shown that 15-passenger vans have a rollover risk that increases dramatically as the number of occupants increases from fewer than five to more than 10. In fact, 15-passenger

vans (with 10 or more occupants) had a rollover rate in single-vehicle crashes that is nearly three times the rate of those that were lightly loaded.

- **Check your van's tire pressure frequently - at least once a week.** A just-released NHTSA study found that 74 percent of all 15-passenger vans had improperly inflated tires. By contrast, 39 percent of passenger cars had improperly inflated tires. Improperly inflated tires can change handling characteristics, increasing the prospect of a rollover crash in 15-passenger vans.

- **Require all occupants to use their seat belts or the appropriate child restraint.** Nearly 80 percent of those who have died nationwide in 15-passenger vans were not buckled up. Wearing seat belts dramatically increases the chances of survival during a rollover crash.

- **If at all possible, seat passengers and place cargo forward of the rear axle - and avoid placing any loads on the roof.** By following these guidelines, you'll lower the vehicle's center of gravity and lower the chance of a rollover crash.

- **Be mindful of speed and road conditions.** The analysis of 15-passenger van crashes also shows that the risk of rollover increases significantly at speeds over 50 miles per hour and on curved roads.

- **Only qualified drivers should be behind the wheel.** Special training and experience are required to properly operate a 15-passenger van. Make sure your driver or drivers have both - and only operate these vehicles when well rested and fully alert.

Immunization Clinic Schedules for Callahan County

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

Monday, January 10th

Clyde First Baptist Church
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What's new about Medicare in 2011?

By Bob Moos/Southwest public affairs officer for the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services

The New Year brings changes to Medicare, many of them a result of the new Affordable Care Act. Here's a brief rundown of what to expect in 2011:

1) Original Medicare will cover the full cost of an annual wellness visit with your doctor. The yearly check-up will include routine measurements like your blood pressure, a review of your prescriptions and medical history, and a personal assessment of any risks to your physical and mental health.

Until now, you've been entitled to one "Welcome to Medicare" exam during the first year you sign up for Medicare's Part B, which covers outpatient services.

If you're enrolled in a private Medicare Advantage health plan, check with your insurer about whether it, too, will cover the wellness visit at no cost in 2011.

2) If you have a drug plan and reach the coverage gap, or "donut hole," you'll receive a discount on your prescriptions. You'll get 50 percent off the price of brand-name drugs and 7 percent off generics.

And even though you'll pay less for a brand-name drug, you can count the

prescription's full price toward the amount you're required to spend on drugs to qualify for catastrophic coverage.

That way, you'll enjoy lower out-of-pocket costs while in the "donut hole," but you'll still become eligible for Medicare's catastrophic coverage as quickly as you would without the discount.

3) If you have Original Medicare, you'll pay nothing out of pocket for most preventive services.

Until this year, you've usually paid 20 percent of the Medicare-approved amount for lab tests and screenings after you met your annual deductible.

But starting in 2011, you won't have to worry about a deductible, co-payment or coinsurance for a broad range of preventive services.

Those include colonoscopies, mammograms, Pap tests and prostate cancer screenings.

If you're in a private Medicare Advantage plan, contact your insurer to find out whether it has also eliminated out-of-pocket costs for tests and screenings.

4) Medicare Advantage health plans are now required to have annual out-of-pocket maximums and other consumer protections.

In the event you need an expensive treatment, you'll be protected from exorbitant out-

of-pocket costs.

For many Advantage plans, out-of-pocket expenses (excluding premiums and prescription costs) will be capped by law at \$6,700 in 2011. Some plans have voluntarily set lower maximums.

In addition, if you're in a private health plan, you can no longer be charged more for some services (like chemotherapy) than if you were in Original Medicare.

5) Your Medicare premiums may change.

Most people on Medicare will pay the same Part B premiums this year as they did in 2010 - either \$96.40 or \$110.50 per month.

But there are several exceptions.

If you enroll in Part B for the first time in 2011, or if your premiums aren't deducted from your Social Security check, you'll pay \$115.40 a month.

For higher-income beneficiaries (single people with annual taxable incomes over \$85,000 or married couples with incomes above \$170,000), Part B premiums will range from \$161.50 to \$369.10.

Plus, starting this year, beneficiaries in those income brackets will pay a monthly surcharge of \$12 to \$69.10 for their prescription drug coverage.

6) There are new times to

switch your coverage.

Dissatisfied with your private Medicare Advantage health plan? A new annual "disenrollment" period allows you to switch to Original Medicare and a drug plan between Jan. 1st and Feb. 14th.

That replaces a January-to-March enrollment period when you could switch between Original Medicare and the Medicare Advantage program or move from one private plan to another.

In 2011, you'll have more time to choose and join a private health or drug plan when the annual open enrollment period gets an earlier start than usual in the fall.

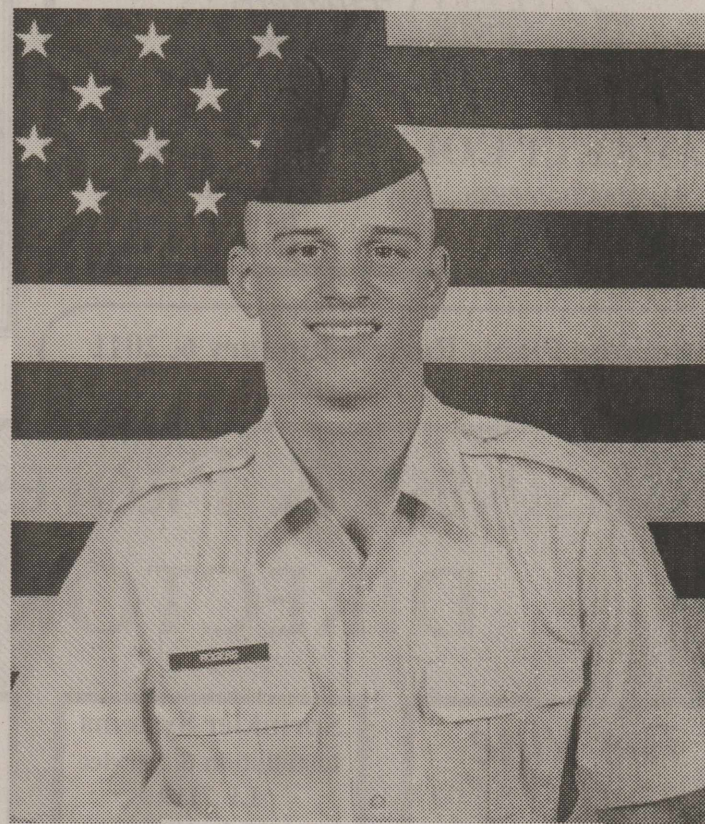
In past years, it's run from Nov. 15th until Dec. 31st. This year, it will kick off on Oct. 15th and wrap up on Dec. 7th. As always, your new coverage will take effect on Jan. 1st.

As I said, this is only a quick look at Medicare's more noteworthy changes. The best way to understand what's new is to refer to your "Medicare and You 2011" handbook, which you should have received by mail this fall.

If you still need one, call 1-800-MEDICARE and request a free copy, or visit www.medicare.gov and download it.

With the book in hand, you'll be able to make better informed decisions about your health in the New Year.

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AIRMAN DAVID N. ROGERS

Airman David N. Rogers graduates from basic military training

Air Force Airman David N. Rogers graduated from basic military training at Lackland Air Force Base, San Antonio, Texas.

The airman completed an intensive, eight-week program that included training in military discipline and studies, Air Force core values, physical fitness, and basic warfare principles and skills.

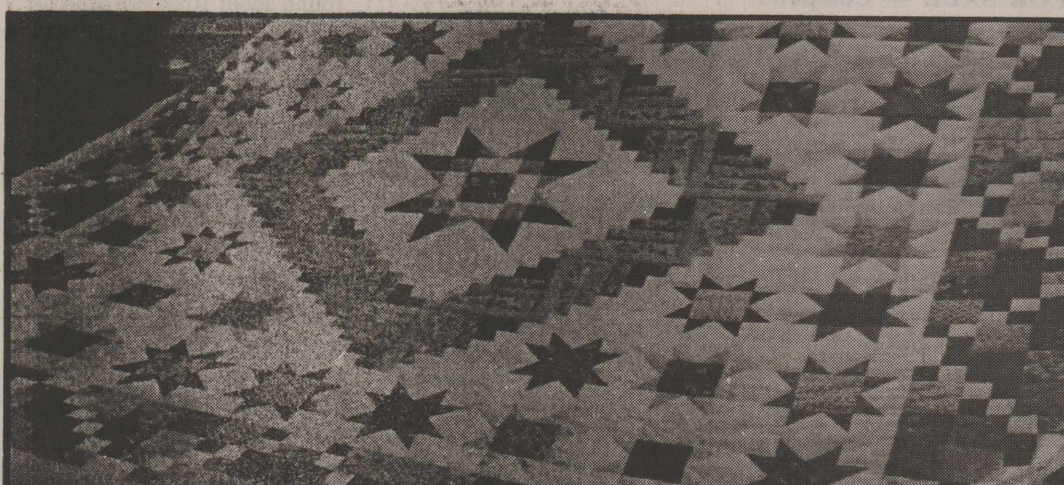
Airmen who complete basic

training earn four credits toward an associate in applied science degree through the Community College of the Air Force.

Rogers earned distinction as an honor graduate.

He is the son of Jimmy Rogers of Wolfe City, Texas, and Kellie Draper of Cross Plains.

The airman graduated in 2010 from Wolfe City High School.



The Rehab Quilt — This beautiful Starry Night quilt made by the Cottonwood Quilting Club and donated to the West Texas Rehabilitation Center for their auction.

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CROSS PLAINS CENTENNIAL PROCLAMATION January 12, 2011

A proclamation to recognize the City of Cross Plains as a Texas incorporated city from 1911 to 2011. The Cross Plains City Council Proclaims their gratitude to the founding fathers, citizens, businesses, churches, schools, city government, and organizations for their dedication for the last hundred years in making this a great community in which to reside and conduct business.

WHEREAS, to honor descendants from area communities, farmers, and ranchers that purchased lots at the town site auction on January 12, 1911 to establish homes in the newly incorporated city.

WHEREAS, to honor Texas Heritage Bank stockholders that have continued the service of an original bank, formerly Citizens State Bank, that established a bank on a lot purchased at the town site auction on January 12, 1911.

WHEREAS, to honor Cross Plains Review and their continued service since they established business on a lot purchased at the town site auction on January 12, 1911.

WHEREAS, to honor Higginbotham Bros. & Co. and their continued service since they established business on lots purchased at the town site auction January 12, 1911.

WHEREAS, to honor Cross Plains Schools for their service since formed from the existing Turkey Creek School and many other schools that consolidated with the Cross Plains Schools from 1911 to 2011.

WHEREAS, to honor established churches in the area prior to the founding of the City of Cross Plains. Many of these congregations constructed new churches in the new town site and have conducted services since the community's founding in 1911 to 2011.

WHEREAS, to honor the Masonic Lodge #627 formed in December of 1886 at Caddo Peak and moved to Cross Plains and continued their service from 1911 to 2011.

WHEREAS, to honor the Cross Plains Volunteer Fire Department for their service to the community and surrounding area since March 12, 1912.

WHEREAS, to honor the Cross Plains City Government for their service from January 12, 1911 to January 12, 2011.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Cross Plains City Council designates January 12, 2011 as the commencement of the Centennial Year Celebration for all of their citizens and area friends and publicly salutes the service of all the citizens, businesses, schools, churches, and organizations that have made this community of faith, hope and pride for the last one hundred years.

In witness thereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of Cross Plains, Texas to be affixed this the 14th day of December, 2010.

ATTEST:
Ray Purvis, Mayor

Grand Ole Oplin announces January line-up

The Grand Ole Oplin is proud to announce their band line-up for the month of January. Starting the month off on January 7th Muddy Creek will be joining us playing all of your country favorites, on January 14th Country Classics will be here playing all your favorite two-steps and waltzes, on January 21st Jack Rosser and his band will be joining us playing the kind of music that makes you want to get up and dance and on January 28th Muddy Creek will be returning to play some more of your favorite country tunes.

The Grand Ole Oplin is hosted by the Oplin Community Center and is located at the intersection of F.M. 604 So. and F.M. 2926. Alcohol and smoking is not allowed at any of our functions. Our Friday night dances begin at 7:30 p.m. and end at 10:30 p.m. Admission to our Friday night dance is \$8.00 per person. Everyone is invited to bring a snack to be enjoyed by all during the band's break. For further information please go to www.grandoleoplin.com.

So gather the family and all of your friends and come on out to the Grand Ole Oplin for an evening of good music, good friends and a real good time.

Submitted by: Pam Rumfield

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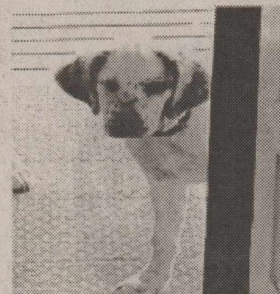
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Thumbelina as a pup

Thumbelina is white with brown ticking, has brown and white ears and lots of freckles on her nose. She is medium to large in size (weighs about 55 lbs.) She could have lost her collar and is most likely hiding in an abandoned building.

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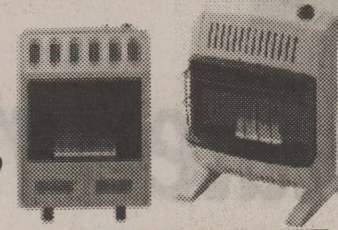
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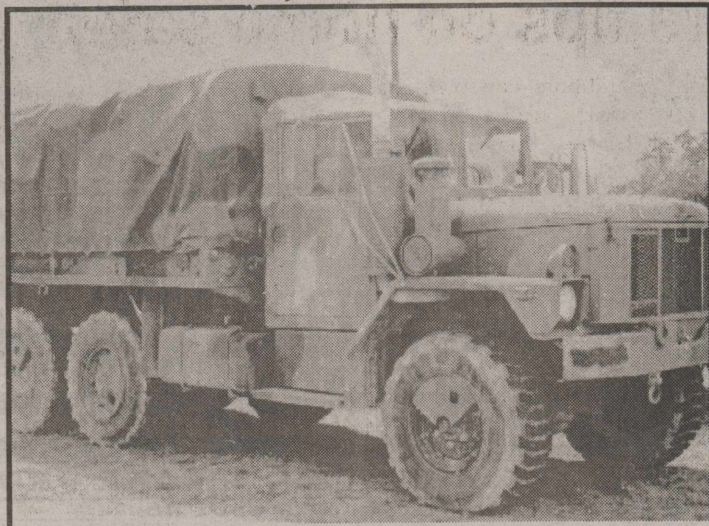
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Your donations will go towards much needed equipment and the conversion of the army trucks into serviceable fire trucks. Your support is greatly appreciated!

Incidence Responded To: The department responded to a mutual aid call for Coleman County on January 2.

Other News: The department will be holding its annual elections meeting on January 8, 2011. The conversion of the newly purchased army truck is underway. Thank you to all who have donated to make this possible, however, donations are still needed. Thanks for your support.



DONATIONS STILL NEEDED
One of the three identical recently purchased trucks that the department will be converting into serviceable fire trucks.

Don't forget to make your calendars for the department's annual **Chili Feed on January 22nd**. This fundraiser helps the department raise money for much needed equipment, training

for our firefighters, and the conversion of trucks into serviceable fire trucks. Your support is greatly appreciated.

Submitted by
Laura Lawson

County Judge Roger Corn honored for his education efforts

Callahan County Judge Roger Corn has been honored by the Texas Judicial Academy for going the extra mile to be prepared to handle his duties as county judge.

Judge Corn was inducted as a Fellow in the Texas Judicial Academy on Thursday, November 18, 2010, at a reception in Austin, Doubletree Hotel, during the 2010 Fall Judicial Education Session.

The Academy, a partnership between the Texas Tech Univer-

sity School of Law and the Texas Association of Counties, names as Fellows each year those judges who attain significant judicial education above that required by state law.

The educational program of the Texas Judicial Academy is overseen by the Texas Court of Criminal Appeals and includes instruction by higher court judges, law school faculty as well as representatives of the Texas Probate College and the National Judicial College.

4-H Vet Science Project starts new Year January 18th

We are beginning a new year in the 4-H Vet Science project with the help of Dr. Monty Ancinec, and the Callahan County Vet Clinic. Our 1st Vet Science meeting of the year is scheduled for

Tuesday, January 18, 2011 at 7:00p.m. The meeting will take place at the Callahan County Vet Clinic.

The 4-H vet science project is to teach 4-H members about animal health and behavior, and how modern veterinary practices increase animals' health, comfort, recreation and livestock values.

If you have already signed up for 4-H be sure to mark this on your calendars. If you haven't signed up yet, contact the County Extension office at (325) 854-5835 and become a member today.

Submitted by: Jerry Warren, CEA - Ag

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Fish Fry Slated for Saturday, January 29th

Mark your calendar now for the Cottonwood Volunteer Fire Control Group's third annual Fish Fry the last Saturday in January—January 29th.

The group will be serving fried catfish, chicken tenders, French fries, hushpuppies, beans and coleslaw at the Family Life

Center of the First Baptist Church in Cross Plains.

Tickets will also be available at the event for a beautiful gold and brown Thunder Creek Trail quilt, quilted by the ladies of the Cottonwood Quilting Club and given to the Fire Control Group as a fundraiser. The quilt will be

on display at the fish fry.

Each year the Fire Control Group holds a Fish Fry the end of January as a fundraiser. Over the past two years the group has been blessed with a new firehouse and a new fire truck due to the generous support and donations from the community.

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Callahan County Sheriff's Office offers tips on home safety

BY: RONNIE BROADUS,
Communications Supervisor
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Office

January 4, 2011—Your home is your castle...or is it? Is your home really safe once you leave for work or school? Your home is considered a sanctuary where you should feel safe. Your home is the only environment where you have control over who can get close to you or your family. Protecting your home and family from criminal intrusion should be high on your list of priorities.

Home Burglary

Sheriff John Windham states that by far, the most common threat to our home is burglary. According to the FBI, a burglary occurs somewhere in the United States every 15.4 seconds. By definition, the crime of burglary is a non-confrontational property crime that occurs when we are not at home. However, becoming a burglary victim can leave a family feeling vulnerable and violated. To avoid becoming a burglary victim, Sheriff Windham says it is important to first gain an understanding of who commits them and why.

He states the majority of home burglaries occur during the daytime when most people are away at work or school. The summer months of July and August have the most burglaries with February having the fewest crimes. Burglaries are committed most often by young males less than 25 years of age looking for items that are small, expensive, and can easily be converted to cash. Favorite items are cash; jewelry, guns, watches, laptop computers, VCRs, video players, CDs and other small electronic devices are high on the list. Quick cash is needed for living expenses and drugs. Statistics tell us that 70% of the burglars use some amount of force to enter a dwelling, but their preference is to gain easy access through an open door or window. Ordinary household tools like screwdrivers, channel-lock pliers, small pry bars, and small hammers are most often used by burglars.

Sheriff Windham said although home burglaries may seem random in occurrence; they actually involve a selection process. The burglar's selection process is simple. Choose an unoccupied home with the easiest access, the greatest amount of cover, and with the best escape routes. What follows is a list of suggestions to minimize your risk by making your home unattractive to potential burglars.

Doors and Locks

The first step is to harden the target or make your home more difficult to enter Sheriff Windham stated. Remember, the burglar will simply bypass your home if it requires too much effort or requires more skill and tools than they

possess. Most burglars enter via the front, back, or garage doors. Experienced burglars know that the garage door is usually the weakest point of entry followed by the back door. The garage and back doors also provide the most cover. Burglars know to look inside your car for keys and other valuables so keep it locked, even when parked inside your garage. Use high quality Grade-1 or Grade-2 locks on exterior doors to resist twisting, prying, and lock-picking attempts. A quality deadbolt lock will have a beveled casing to inhibit the use of channel-lock pliers used to shear off lock cylinder pins. A quality door knob-in-lock set will have a 'dead latch' mechanism to prevent slipping the lock with a shim or credit card.

Use a solid core or metal door for all entrance points

Use a quality, heavy-duty, deadbolt lock with a one-inch throw bolt

Use a quality, heavy-duty, knob-in-lock set with a dead-latch mechanism

Use a heavy-duty, four-screw, strike plate with 3-inch screws to penetrate into a wooden door frame

Use a wide-angle 1601 peephole mounted no higher than 58 inches

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be screwed down.

Windows

Windows are left unlocked and open at a much higher rate than doors. Sheriff Windham stated an open window, visible from the street or alley, may be the sole reason for your home to be selected by a burglar. Ground floor windows are more susceptible to break-ins for obvious reasons. Upper floor windows become attractive if they can be accessed from a stairway, tree, fence, or by climbing on balconies. Windows have latches, not locks and therefore should have secondary blocking devices to prevent sliding them open from the outside. Inexpensive wooden dowels and sticks work well for horizontal sliding windows and through-the-frame pins work well for vertical sliding windows. For ventilation, block the window open no more than six inches and make sure you can't reach in from the outside and remove the blocking device or reach through and unlock the door.

In sleeping rooms, these window blocking devices should be capable of being removed easily from the inside to comply with fire codes. Like sliding glass doors, anti-lift devices are necessary for ground level and accessible aluminum windows that slide horizontally. The least expensive and easiest method is to install screws half-way into the upper track of the movable glass panel to prevent it from being lifted out in the closed position. As a deterrent, place highly visible decals on the glass door near the latch mechanism that indicates that an alarm system, a dog, or block watch/operation identification system is in place.

Secure all accessible windows with secondary blocking devices

Block accessible windows open no more than 6 inches for ventilation

Make sure someone cannot reach through an open window and unlock the door

Make sure someone cannot reach inside the window and remove the blocking device

Use anti-lift devices to prevent window from being lifted out

Use crime prevention or alarm decals on ground accessible windows

Be a Good Neighbor

Sheriff Windham stated that you and your neighbors should look out for each other. Get to know your neighbors on each side of your home and the three directly across the street. Invite them into your home, communicate often, and establish trust. Good neighbors will watch out for your home when you are away, if you ask them. They can report suspicious activity to the Sheriff's Office or to you while you are away. Between them, good neighbors can see to it that normal services continue in your absence by allowing vendors to mow your lawn.

Good neighbors can pick up your mail, newspapers, handbills, and can inspect the outside or inside of your home periodically to see that all is well. Good neighbors will occasionally park in your driveway to give the appearance of occupancy while you are on vacation.

Lighting

Interior lighting is necessary to show signs of life and activity inside a residence at night. Sheriff Windham said a dark home night-after-night sends the message to burglars that you are away on a trip. Light timers are inexpensive and can be found everywhere. Sheriff Windham said they should be used on a daily basis, not just when you're away. In this way you set up a routine that your neighbors can observe and will allow them to become suspicious when your normally lighted home becomes dark. Typically, you want to use light-timers near the front and back windows with the curtains closed. The pattern of lights turning on and off should simulate actual occupancy. It's also comforting not to have to enter a dark residence when you return home. The same light timers can be used to turn on radios or television sets to further enhance the illusion of occupancy.

Exterior lighting is also very important. It becomes critical if you must park in a common area parking lot or underground garage and need to walk to your front door. The purpose of good lighting is to allow you to see if a threat or suspicious person is lurking in your path. If you can see a potential threat in advance then you at least have the choice and chance to avoid it. Exterior lighting needs to be bright enough for you to see 100-feet and it helps if you can identify colors. Good lighting is definitely a deterrent to criminals because they don't want to be seen or identified.

Another important area to be well-lighted is the perimeter of your home especially at the entryway. Exterior lighting on the front of a property should always be on a timer to establish a routine and appearance of occupancy at all times. The practice of leaving the garage or porch lights turned on all day on a single family home is a dead giveaway that you are out of town. Exterior lighting at the rear of a home or apartment are usually on a switch because of the proximity to the sleeping rooms. The resident can choose to leave these lights on or off. Security lights with infra-red motion sensors are relatively inexpensive and can easily replace an exterior porch light or side door light on single family homes. The heat-motion sensor can be adjusted to detect body heat and can be programmed to reset after one minute. These security lights are highly recommended for single family homes.

Use interior light timers to

establish a pattern of occupancy

Exterior lighting should allow 100- feet of visibility

Use good lighting along the pathway and at your door

Use light timers or photocells to turn on/off lights automatically

Use infra-red motion sensor lights on the rear of single family homes

Alarm Systems

Sheriff Windham stated that alarm systems definitely have a place in a home security plan and are effective, if used properly. The reason why alarms systems deter burglaries is because they increase the potential and fear of being caught and arrested by the police. The deterrent value comes from the alarm company lawn sign and from the alarm decals on the windows. Home burglars will usually bypass a property with visible alarm signs and will go to another property without such a sign. Some people, with alarm systems, feel that these signs and decals are unsightly and will not display them. The risk here is that an uninformed burglar might break a window or door and grab a few quick items before the police can respond. Also, don't write your alarm pass code on or near the alarm keypad.

Identification

Sheriff Windham recommends that you engrave your drivers' license, not your social security number, on televisions, stereos, computers, and small electronic appliances. He suggests this so they can identify and locate you if your stolen items are recovered. He also suggest that you go way beyond this step

He recommends that you photograph your valuables in their locations around your home and make a list of the make, model, and serial numbers. This is very important for proof when filing insurance claims. You should keep this list in a safety deposit box or with a relative for safe keeping. Keep receipts of the larger items in case you need to prove the value of the items for insurance purposes. Beyond that, he recommends that you photocopy important documents and the contents of your wallet. You will be thankful that you took these steps in case your home is ever destroyed by fire or flood, is ransacked, or if your wallet is lost or stolen.

Identify your valuables by engraving your drivers' license number

Photograph and record the serial numbers of all valuables

Photocopy the contents of your wallet and other documents

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Sheriff Windham and his staff ask that you make this one of your New Years resolutions to keep your home and family safe. Have a HAPPY NEW YEAR!!!!

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5-hour CEU Forage Seminar set for Feb. 10th in Cross Plains

A special 5-hour CEU Forage Seminar is set for February 10th at the First Baptist Church in Cross Plains. Registration starts at 8:30 a.m. The program begins at 9:00 a.m. The goal of this program is to provide producers with information on forage management strategies to help them produce uniform, high quality forage to meet their production goals.

Speakers for the Seminar will include: Dr. David Drake, AgriLife Extension Agronomist - San Angelo, Dr. Dale Rollins, AgriLife Extension Wildlife Specialist - San Angelo, Gerald Hobson, Dupont, Robert Frost, FSA County Executive Director, Dr. Larry Redmon, AgriLife Extension Agronomist - San Angelo, and Steven Boston, Texas Department of Agriculture - Eastland. Dr. Drake will discuss Small Grain Forage Production,

Dr. Rollins will be discussing Forage for Livestock & Wildlife. Mr. Hobson will discuss Controlling Sandburs in Coastal Bermuda. Dr. Redmon will be discussing How to Utilize Legumes to Improve Levels of Nitrogen in Bermuda Grass. Mr. Boston with the Texas Department of Agriculture will be on hand to give an hour of Laws and Regulation for pesticide applicators.

The cost of the Seminar and accompanying meal is \$10 to those that pre-register by February 2nd, after February 2nd there will be a \$15.00 fee to be paid at the door. This program is presented by the AgriLife Extension offices in Brown, Callahan, Coleman, and Eastland Counties. For further information, contact the Callahan County Extension Office at (325) 854-5835.

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New publication tells the real stories of Texas' Historic County Courthouses

AUSTIN, Texas—Emerging from between Houston's skyscrapers with a new sheen, the Harris County Courthouse's restoration is just one of the inspiring stories that unfold throughout the pages of the THC's Courthouse Cornerstones. Available this month, the publication highlights the success and potential of the Texas Historical Commission's (THC) Texas Historic Courthouse Preservation Program, which has to date been responsible for the full restoration of 55 historic county courthouses throughout the state. Featuring the innovative work of skilled artisans to the passionate commitment communities dedicate to fundraising for their projects, Courthouse Cornerstones is a reflection of a program vital to Texas' economy in many ways.

Announced in June 1999, the Texas Historic Courthouse Preservation Program provides

partial matching grants to Texas counties for the restoration of their historic county courthouses. Since its inception, the program awarded \$227 million to counties, and local governments have matched this with more than \$150 million. Courthouse restorations have generated more than 8,579 jobs throughout Texas and more than \$19 million in local taxes. The 81st Texas Legislature included \$20 million in bond funding for Round VI of the nationally recognized program and additional rounds are dependent upon continued funding from state lawmakers.

For more information on the Texas Historic Courthouse Preservation Program and Courthouse Cornerstones visit www.thc.state.tx.us or contact the THC's Architecture Division at 512.463.6094. A downloadable version of the publication will soon be available on the THC website.

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Holiday visits continue at Howard Museum — Anil Gorania, originally from Regina, Saskatchewan, Canada, is the most recent visitor to the Robert E. Howard Museum. Although his family recently moved to Midland, where his father is a family physician, Anil considers himself a Canadian. Following his father into the medical profession, he is studying to be a nurse practitioner. In his spare time, he thoroughly enjoys reading Howard's writings and developing his own style of writing. Poetry is his strong point as he has won numerous awards in that field.

Callahan County DPS Report

Calls received by the Callahan County Department of Public Safety from December 19, 2010 through January 1, 2011 include:

- Cases Investigated**
 - Warnings—401
 - Complaints—155
 - DWI—1
 - Driving While License Invalid—10
 - Possession of Drug Paraphernalia—1
 - Possession of Controlled Substance—1
 - Possession of Firearm-Felon—1
 - Open Container—1
 - Vehicle Accidents
- There were two vehicle accidents investigated during this time span.

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Trivia Cross Plains Style

How much do YOU know about Cross Plains? Test knowledge and win big at the **Centennial Trivia Contest** sponsored by the Cross Plains Public Library. Mark your calendars for an exciting adventure about Cross Plains from the town's beginning to current events.

The fun will begin at 6:30 p.m. on Saturday, February 26, 2011, at First Baptist Church in Cross Plains. Start creating your 5-person team with four of your friends or co-workers and then

challenge others to form teams to beat you.

There will be fact, fiction, food and fun with the winning team receiving part of the night's proceeds. Cost is \$20 per person.

Rules and details will follow, with a few twists and turns. Watch to see what happens. Don't think you know enough? Come to the library and brush up with old newspapers on microfilm, ask old timers what they remember and look for hints in future articles.

Submitted by Michelle Kaiser

Library Extends "Cans for Fines" Deadline

Do you have an overdue book fine at the Cross Plains Public Library? You can pay your fine in canned goods and help our local food pantry during this winter season.

Each item of non-perishable food brought to the library between now and January 31st is good for \$1 toward your fine.

Pay your fine and help out those

in need in your community at the same time!

Of course, if you don't have any fines, you can still bring your non-perishable items to the library and help this worthy cause.

Library hours are Monday through Friday, from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m.

Submitted by Michelle Kaiser

Cross Timbers Southern Baptist Association Seminary Extension

If you have an interest in joining our study of the book of Amos in the spring of 2011 (January - May) notify Baylis Pope at his home phone 254-725-7749. Breckenridge phones will reach Dan Nelson at 254-246-1617.

Classes will begin January starting on Thursday the 20th. We will need to know your plans to purchase the Study Guide and

textbooks by January 7th.

We will meet for three hours from 6:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. The course will be completed somewhere around May 12th. This will be a study of the life and times of the prophet Amos and his message of judgment to the Northern Kingdom of Israel.

Submitted by Baylis Pope

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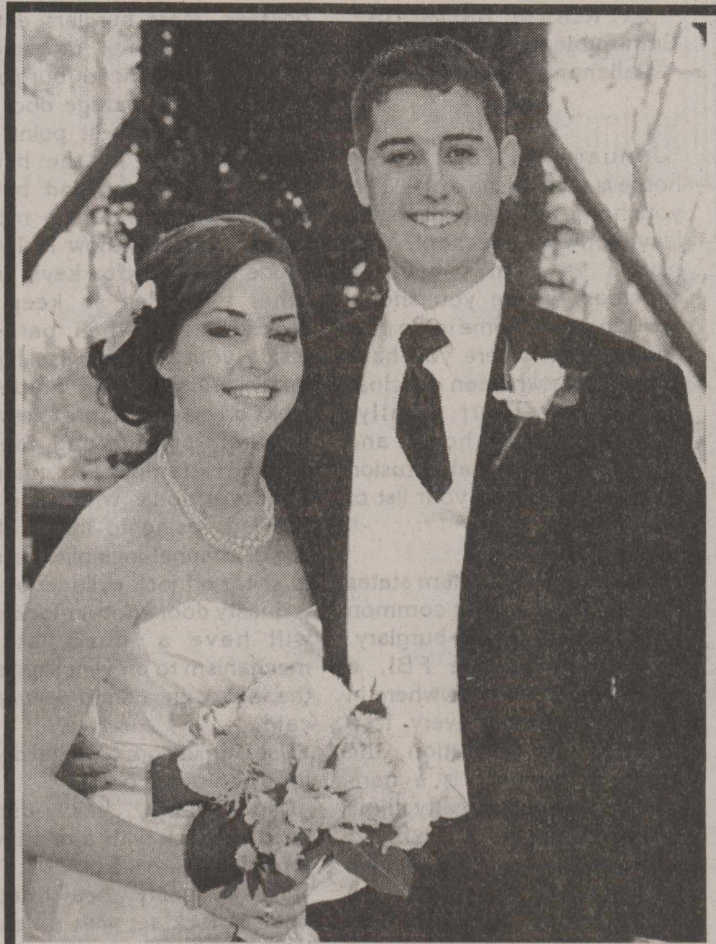
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Mr. and Mrs. Michael Westbrook

Mathews-Westbrook Wedding Announced

Saturday, December 18, 2010, Betty Mathews of Cross Plains and Michael Westbrook of Weatherford were united in marriage.

Betty is a 2008 graduate of Cross Plains High School. She is the daughter of George and Verna Mathews, both of Cross Plains. Her grandparents are Jerry Cassle and the late Ruby Cassle of Cross Plains. Betty is currently pursuing her degree in Physical Therapy at a university in Oklahoma.

Michael is the son of Wesley and Jan Westbrook of Weatherford and Dan and Cheryl West of Bedford. His grandparents are E.H. and Harvalene Ames and J.D. and Hazel Westbrook, all of Weatherford. Michael is a 2008 graduate of the University of

North Texas where he received his degree in Radio, Television and Film. He is currently employed at KLBC Radio as the lead broadcaster for Southeastern Oklahoma State University. He is also the Friday Night Football announcer for ABC affiliate, KTEN-TV.

The newlywed couple live in Durant, Oklahoma.

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