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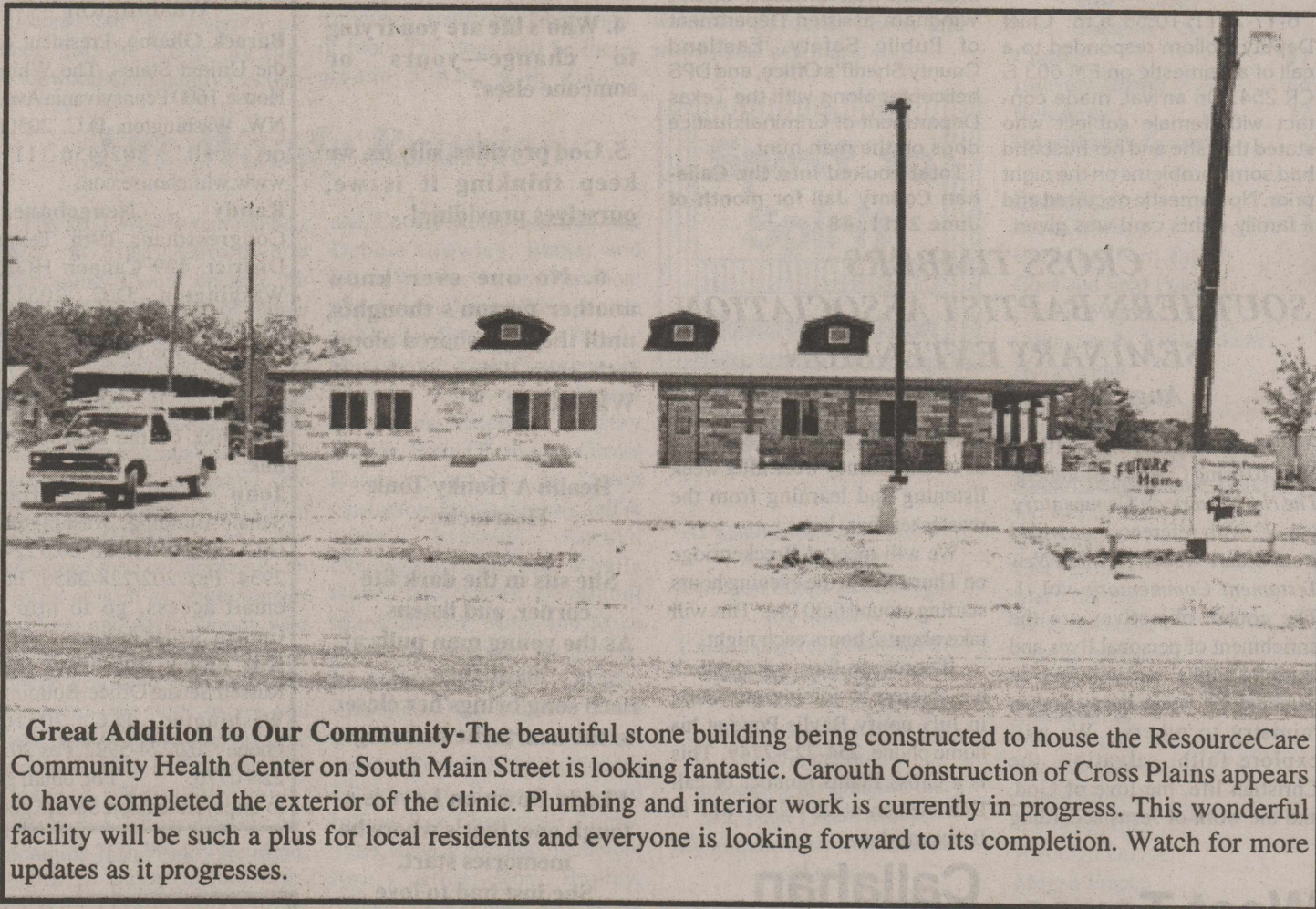
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CROSS PLAINS, CALLAHAN COUNTY, TEXAS 76443

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Great Addition to Our Community-The beautiful stone building being constructed to house the ResourceCare Community Health Center on South Main Street is looking fantastic. Carouth Construction of Cross Plains appears to have completed the exterior of the clinic. Plumbing and interior work is currently in progress. This wonderful facility will be such a plus for local residents and everyone is looking forward to its completion. Watch for more updates as it progresses.

Cross Plains Chamber of Commerce is Moving a NEW DIRECTION

Your Chamber of Commerce plans to be the primary point of contact for visitors, prospective residents and newcomers seeking information about our community. To accomplish this, we have moved to a new location on Hwy 36 in the office with Trinity Liveoak Real Estate at 225 SW 5th Street next to the 7 Eleven Convenience Store. The Chamber of Commerce will have a sign fronting on Hwy 36 and also a staff person to market Cross Plains business, attractions and events. The Chamber of Commerce office will have a display area for brochures for all members to advertise their services.

about the variety of dining opportunities that Cross Plains offers.

The Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors is planning a membership drive in August to expand our appeal to the community. We have established a membership level for individuals who do not have a business but are interested in seeing Cross Plains thrive. This level is only \$24 per year compared to a regular business membership of \$60 annually.

We are asking all of our area business owners to join us in helping the Cross Plains area to grow.

Contract us at:

Cross Plains Chamber of Commerce
P.O. Box 233
225 SW 5th Street (Hwy 36)
Cross Plains, TX 76443-0233
254-725-7251
254-725-4181 (fax)
crossplainschamber@yahoo.com
Submitted by
Ron Rhodes
Chamber Publicity Director

Cross Plains has an entertaining mixture of history and culture along with some distinct businesses for people to enjoy. The Robert E. Howard Museum and The Howard Days annual event, The Barbarian Festival, Annual Hunters Feed, The Cross Plains Public Library, plus an attractive downtown area attracts hundreds of visitors each year. Also, no town our size can boast

Local Justice of the Peace and Motor Vehicle Office Will be CLOSED

Monday and Tuesday, August 1st and 2nd, the Justice of the Peace office will be closed. It will re-open Wednesday, August 3rd.

The Motor Vehicle Department will be closed August 1st through August 5th with regular hours resumed on Monday, August 8th.

If you need motor vehicle assistance, please visit the main office at the Callahan County Tax Office located in the Courthouse in Baird.



VBS



KINGDOM OF THE SON
NIMROD BAPTIST CHURCH

Nimrod Baptist Church will have a one day VBS on Saturday, July 30, 2011. Registration begins at 8:45 A.M. We will dismiss at 2:00 P.M. Please join us for a day of learning about the Kingdom of the Son. Ages are 3 years through 6th grade. For more information or directions to the church call Glenda Shawver 254-725-6561 or Wanda Blackwell 254-725-6395.

Lone Star Libraries Grant Eliminated by Texas Legislature

Texas libraries will no longer receive grants from the Texas State Library and Archives Commission due to recent funding cuts set by the Texas legislature. In 2011, the Cross Plains Public Library received \$3,779 from the commission's Lone Star Library program. These flexible funds supplemented local funding sources and allowed public libraries to offer a higher level of service to their patrons.

Libraries were allowed to use these funds in whatever ways they chose to meet their community's

needs. "In the past, this grant provided more than 66 percent of our book budget," says Library Director Linda Burns. "Now, we must work even harder to seek alternate ways to get new books."

"We have been fortunate to have received grants for \$1,400 worth of children's books from the Libri Foundation's Books for Children program and for \$844.80 worth of teen selections from the Church Periodical Club's Miles of Pennies fund," states Michelle Kaiser, grant-writer for the Cross

Plains Public Library, "but finding grants for adult fiction and non-fiction books is more challenging. In the past, we have relied on the Lone Star Library Fund to purchase these books."

The Texas State Legislature began providing Lone Star Libraries grant funds in 2002. The commission has distributed over \$35 million in funds to Texas public libraries to date; for fiscal year 2011, \$6 million in funds were distributed to 541 accredited public libraries statewide.

Ladies, Save the date! Thursday, August 4th

Thursday, August 4th, at 7:00 p.m. in the Family Life Center at First Baptist Church will be a "Time to Come Together and Learn".

Do you want to have the tools to cope with every day stress in life? Do you need help getting organized for the coming school year?

Come fellowship with other women and hear guest speaker Charla White share the **Recipe for Life!** Handouts will be available with great money

saving recipes and ideas on how YOU can save around your home! Make it yourself and save; everything from floor cleaner, laundry soap, air freshener, hand sanitizer, bath salts, diaper rash cream, homemade Swiffer sheets and more, plus tips and recipes to save in the kitchen!

Childcare will be provided for 3rd graders and under, if you call the church office (254-725-7629) prior to August 2nd.

Come get the RECIPE!

American Legion Post 423 to Meet on Thursday, July 28th

The Cross Plains American Legion Post #423 will be meeting for their regular monthly session on Thursday, July 28th, at 6:30 p.m. at the local American Legion Hall on N.E. 1st Street.

A meal will be served and all wives of members are cordially invited to attend.

All members and prospective members are encouraged to attend the meeting.

Project Pride Launches Mystery Picture Contest

The one hundred dollar mystery picture contest is underway in this issue of the *Cross Plains Review*. Look for the picture in the ad with the entry form.

One close-up picture of some aspect of an old building around town will be published each week. Folks are encouraged to locate the view and submit their

entry form before the dead-line two weeks from the publication date.

A different picture will be published weekly with the last picture appearing in the September 1st issue. All winning entries will be noted in the *Cross Plains Review* and will go into the

drawing for the \$100 at the Centennial Banquet on September 24.

The printed entry form may be mailed to Project Pride at PO Box 534 or e-mailed to: ProjPride@yahoo.com No phone call entries will be allowed.

Cross Plains Public Library Receives FREE Books

Cross Plains Public Library has just received FREE books from the Distribution to Underserved Communities Library Program (DUC), a program of Art Resources Transfer, Inc., a non-profit organization founded in 1987, that is committed to documenting and supporting artists' voices and work, and making these voices accessible to the broadest possible audience. DUC distributes books on contemporary art and culture free of charge to rural and inner-city libraries, schools and alternative reading centers nationwide.

The program aims to actively further a more unrestricted access to contemporary art, and is

committed to fostering partnerships between publishers, non-profit organizations, librarians and readers to enrich and diversify library collections.

The program offers well over 490 titles by more than 90 different publishers. The program reaches readers in all 50 states and has placed over 200,000 free books in public libraries, schools, and alternative academic venues.

As part of this program, we will be able to go online each spring and select as many different titles as we want FREE, based on availability and DUC even pays for the shipping!

Submitted by
Michelle Kaiser

Texas Heritage Bank

"We're Proud of Our Local Heritage"

Member  

Presents:
"What's Inside"

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Church Directory

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

David Braun, Pastor
 Church (254) 725-6266

Friendly Church

Bible Teaching

Triple Cross Cowboy Church

Every Sunday at 10:30 am

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

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

Pioneer Baptist Church

Pastor:

Music Director:

Dwaine Clowers

Barbara Jo Medley

Sunday School.....10:00am

Sunday Morning Worship.....11:00am

Sunday Evening Worship.....6:00pm

Wednesday Prayer Service.....7:00pm

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Sheriff's Department Monthly Report for June

Callahan County Sheriff's
 Department Monthly Statistics

Month of June 2011

Total Calls Received in Dispatch: 476

Total Arrests Made: Felony 7, Misdemeanor 8.

Citations Written: 5

Agency Assists: 29

Reports: Offense 23, Incident 4.

Traffic Stops: 71

6-17-2011 10:58 a.m. Chief Deputy Collom responded to a call of a domestic on FM 603 & CR 254. On arrival, made contact with female subject who stated that she and her husband had some problems on the night prior. No domestic occurred and a family rights card was given.

6-27-2011 12:54 p.m. Chief Deputy Collom responded to the 1300 block of S. Access road on a report of a theft of metal. The south fence was cut and items carried out through hole in fence. Report was made and case still under investigation.

6-30-2011 Sheriff Windham responded to assist DPS on a vehicle that ran from troopers in Putnam. A high speed chase occurred into Eastland County where subject ditched the vehicle and ran on foot. Sheriff Windham assisted Department of Public Safety, Eastland County Sheriff's Office, and DPS helicopter along with the Texas Department of Criminal Justice dogs on the man hunt.

Total booked into the Callahan County Jail for month of June 2011: 48

CROSS TIMBERS

SOUTHERN BAPTIST ASSOCIATION SEMINARY EXTENSION

August 11 — November 3, 2011

We will be studying Matthew NT 270 using Craig L. Blomberg, *The New American Commentary*, vol. 22 with references provided from Stuart Weber, *Holman New Testament Commentary*, vol. 1. The course objectives are the enrichment of personal lives and learning truths that will help in personal Christian living and in ministry to others. We will explore faith, salvation, the Christian life, the love of God, and the work of Jesus according

to Matthew's gospel. Come join us on this journey week after week listening and learning from the master teacher, Jesus.

We will meet at Breckenridge on Thursdays in the evening hours starting around 6:30 PM. This will take about 2 hours each night.

If someone from your church has interest in joining our study in July notify Baylis Pope at his home phone, 254-725-7749. This is a Cross Plains number or call Dan Nelson at 254-246-1617 in Breckenridge.

West Texas Fair just around the corner

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

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

All livestock entries are due in the Extension Office by August 15th.

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

Submitted by: Jerry Warren, CEA-Ag/NR

Callahan County 4-H Sheep & Goat Tag Orders Due

Callahan County Sheep & Goat Tag orders are due to the Extension office by August 30th. If you plan on showing Market lambs or Market Meat goats at the local, county, or Major shows you must call in your tag order no later than August 30th. Major show tags are \$8.00/tag and County only tags are \$4.00/tag.

All tags must be paid for before they can be ordered!

Swine tag orders are also being taken at this time. The deadline isn't set yet for Swine tags but start planning now!

Please order the tags that you need because late tag orders will cost you \$20 a piece!

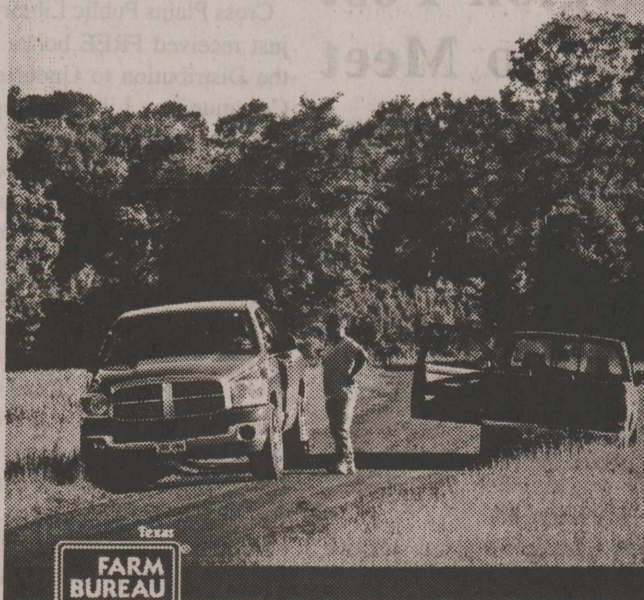
Contact The Callahan County Extension Office to place your tag orders (325) 854-5835.

Submitted by: Jerry Warren, CEA-Ag

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Spirit to Spirit

Geneva Nelson

1. Look at yourself first...before giving advice to others.

2. Don't lose your witness!

3. When was the last time you did something, for God, that inconvenienced you?

4. Who's life are you trying to change—yours or someone else's?

5. God provides, silly us, we keep thinking it is we, ourselves providing!

6. No one ever know another person's thoughts, until they are shared aloud, let's stop living as though WE DO!!!!

Healin A Honky Tonk Heartache

She sits in the dark lite corner, and listens As the young man pulls at his strings. Each song brings her closer to the heartache he brings.

"Lady Down on Love is a tough one, that's where he memories start. She just had to love someone, who would break a twice broken heart.

"It's only make believe," by Conway, bring unnumbered tears gliding down. If she could fall any further, she'd have to be down on the ground.

When she leaves, nobody notices, not the tears or the red in her eyes.

She smile and leaves "The Party's Over" goes home lays down and cries.

She's sat in that corner for such a long time, but don't look for her there tonight.

She'll be where they are playing gospel music and singin "I Saw The Light".

Want To Write Your Elected Officials?

Here are their addresses: Austin

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

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

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

Washington

Barack Obama, President of the United States, The White House, 1600 Pennsylvania Ave., NW, Washington, D.C. 20500 or call 202-456-1111. www.whitehouse.com

Randy Neugebauer, Congressman, 19th Texas District, 429 Cannon HOB, Washington, D.C. 20515. Phone 325-675-9779 or 325-675-5038 for Fax. For email access, go to <http://www.house.gov/neugebauer> and click on the appropriate link.

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

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

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First United Methodist Church

Kevin Morton, Pastor

Office 725-7377
 Sunday School
 9:30 a.m.

Parsonage 725-7694
 Sunday Worship
 10:45 a.m.

1000 North Main Street

www.gbgm-umc.org/crossplains/

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

Ronnie B. White, Pastor

(254) 725-7629 3rd & Main, Cross Plains, TX 76443
 email: www.firstbaptistcp.com

COTTONWOOD NEWS

Beverly Brown

Watch out for the copperheads. With it being so hot and dry, the snakes are looking for any cool place they can find—under the porch, near the water faucet and any cool or shady place. Be on alert for them and watch carefully when you walk out your back door. Several folks have been killing copperheads here in Cottonwood.

Friday, August 5th is the next Cottonwood Musical. Lots of musicians from around the area will come and play a variety of music on the stage at the Cottonwood Community Center.

Everyone has a good time. The musical starts at 5:30 p.m. The doors and the kitchen open at 5:00 p.m. We can always use help in the kitchen and/or donations of sandwiches, pie or dessert. Call me 254-725-7369 or Cookie 325-660-5771 if you'd like to help out.

There's a Brisket Dinner on Saturday, August 13th, when the Coonhunters return to the Community Center. Joe's cooking brisket and setting up all the trimmings, so there will be plenty of food. The dogs will be there around 5 p.m. with dinner

starting at 5:30 p.m. Eight Eighty East (Sid and R.W. Bogue) will start playing around 6-6:30 p.m. or so. Come out to the Cottonwood Community Center and see the hunting dogs, eat dinner and have a great time.

PLEASE PRAY FOR RAIN! We need it really bad! Many of the churches are encouraging folks to stop at 3 p.m. in the afternoon and pray. If you can't make it at 3 p.m., pray any time you can. The cows, horses, wildlife, gardens, lawns and water tanks will thank you.

The Woody Reunion

The 2011 Woody reunion was held at the Cottonwood Community Center on July 9th and 10th. We had a lot of people from out of state as well as in-state. We enjoyed a great and funny skit on Saturday evening. Lots of games were played, pictures passed around and plenty of great food was eaten. We missed those who have passed on and those who didn't come. We welcomed John and brother Keith Brooks as well as Mike Stanger and Sam and Alice Woody who haven't been to a reunion in several years and were so glad to see them! We hope to see you there next year! It's always the second Sunday in July and that Saturday, also. Ya'll come! Watch for news about our upcoming **75th Woody Reunion**.

Others that attended were: Amanda Purcell and Corbin Harrell; Becky Wiginton; Bob

and Cookie Robinson; Bob and Debbie Crowley; Buster and Elaine Woody; Calvin Champion; Carolyn and Jerry West; Carrie and Hailey Fritz; Charlie Woody; David and Viola Turnbough; David Summers; Deena Champion Mitchell; Dorothy Woody; Ethel Champion; Glenn, Randi, Cassidy & Caleb Champion; Gloria Strahan; Jeff & Josey, Braxton, Kordyn Champion; Jim and Thaila Robertson; Karen Loveland; Marie Brown; Mary and Mike Sanders; Marvin Wilcoxon; Meredith Sanders; Monty Champion; Ned and Billie Ruth Clark; Nelda Wilcoxon; Rita and Brianna Purcell; Robbie (Woody) Fillingham; Robert Lee and Lillian Ray Champion; Rocky, Tyler, Ryan & Brenda Champion; Ron Curtice; Roy, Hayley, Tanner, Toby Underwood; Sheila Keeney; and Shirley Summers.

True Vine's 1st Annual Bazaar August 6th

True Vine will hold its 1st Annual Bazaar on August 6th from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. in Coleman. There will be Craft Booths; Flea Market Booth; Inside Bake Sale; Church Wagon BBQ and More; and a Cake Walk every half hour.

Drawings for Raffle items held at 5 p.m. (not necessary to be present).

Train rides will be available for the children.

For additional information call Kay Oles, 520-249-2859.

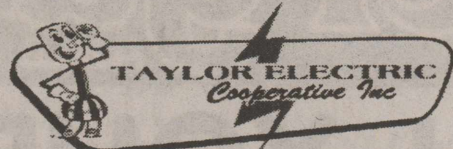
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By Charles Chesshir
Cross Plains Church of Christ

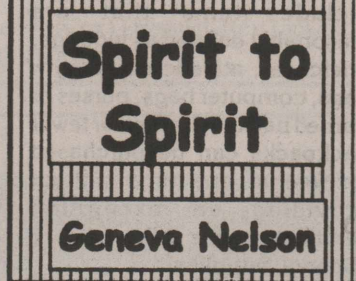
Your Best Choice

To believe God is to freely and completely accept what He says. To take God at His word is to know He loves me and forgives me. Believing at this level leads us to love and forgive. Life is filled with folks who lie to us, steal from us, curse at us, and plot against us. Believing God and moving forward in life with Him involves both loving and forgiving those who hate us and wrong us.

Believing God saves time, and time is life; your life. Every minute wasted is a part of life we never get back. We don't get to rerun or reuse wasted time. God says He will exact perfect justice on evil doers. He says, "Do not repay evil with evil but leave justice to Him." To worry about what someone has said or done to you is simply rejecting God. It is a waste of your personal time to pursue justice against those who wrong you. God has instituted government for this purpose, and He will provide justice where government fails. Believing God; allows His forgiveness of your short comings to flow to those who wrong you. Failure at forgiving others leaves us indicted before God, and in the path of His wrath.

Believing God has given us Jesus that we might escape punishment and be alive with His Spirit of love, patience, kindness, perseverance and forgiveness is not that difficult a choice to make.

Friends & Neighbors Caring In Jesus
433 N. Main St. Worship...6:00p.m. 254-725-6117
Sunday Morning Worship...10:45a.m. Wed. Evening Bible Study...7:00p.m. Sunday Morning Bible Class...9:45a.m. Sunday Evening



Grandmother

As I stand and I look at the "For Sale" sign,
A million things run through my mind.
I'm looking for grandmother,
but she is not there.

She filled this house with such loving care.
I'm looking for grandmother
but, I can't seem to see.
My grandmother in places she used to be.

Her songs fall silent into thin air.
The walls no longer hold her joyous prayer.
The plaques are gone, pictures are all put away.
Because my grandmother has left us today.

While looking for grandmother I come to see,
The things that were grandmother still live on in me!

In Loving Memory of
Alva Mae Stanley
10-14-97

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Cottonwood Community Center is in Need of Porch REPAIR MATERIALS

Repairs are needed on the porch floor at the Cottonwood Community Center. If anyone has concrete reinforcement bar, wire mesh, and/or lumber suitable for concrete forms and would like to donate them to the project, please call Cottonwood Community Center Committee members Bob Robinson at 325-660-5771 or Bryan Bennett at 325-669-4280. Your support is greatly appreciated.

"Foods For Fines" Program Continues at Local Library

Do you have an overdue book fine at the Cross Plains Public Library? Now you can pay your fine in canned goods and help our local food pantry. Last fall we initiated "Food For Fines" whereby each item of non-perishable food brought to the library was good for \$1 toward your fine.

Now, we have received a grant from the Trull Foundation which will reimburse the library with dollars for the amount of each fine

LIBRARY NOTES

Beginning August 23
New Hours for Library
Monday 1-5 p.m.
Tuesday 11 a.m.- 7 p.m.
Wednesday 1-5 p.m.
Thursday 1-5 p.m.
CLOSED FRIDAY

July 18-22, 2011

Patrons: 175
Books Checked Out: 190
Programs: 60
SRP 55
Others 5
Copies: 17
Internet Users: 64
Reference: 12
Interlibrary Loans: 2

Donations:

Loren Little
Burlie and Jerri Taylor
Cher and Fred Ptacek
Donna Wagner
Connie and Cliff Kirkham
Nora Odum
Azalee Womack
Morgan Holmes

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Taryn Estes
Helen Parson
Sydney Pharr
Wilma Lawrence
Michelle Kaiser

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

Centennial Corner

Hopefully this hot weather that has caused most folks to stay indoors where it's relatively cool will be put to good mental use! That means it's a great time to be pondering how to participate in the PARADE OF THE CENTURY.

Saturday, September 24th, is the magic day; 10 a.m. is the magic time and the school parking lot is the magic place. What a bunch of fun to be had with old costumes, old bicycles, old cars, tractors and yes, a few old people.

Or you might opt to portray a less aged part of our history with hula hoops, poodle skirts, kazoos, or yo-yos. You can have fun with our past or look forward to the future—sort of the "que sera sera" theme.

A group of creative folks in OK once put together a "drill team" using the old aluminum lawn chairs as their only prop. Quite impressive, it was! Surely Texans could be as creative with riding lawn mowers or bath tubs.

THE PARADE OF THE CENTURY—it's gonna' be FUN!!!!!!!!!!!!

collected with food. Pay your fine, earn \$\$ for the library and help out those in need in your community all at the same time!

The pantry is in need of canned goods and staples, but all items are accepted. 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.

Submitted by
Michelle Kaiser

SENIOR CITIZEN CENTER ACTIVITIES:

BY AMBER THOMAS

WEEKLY ACTIVITIES

Monday, 1st- Movie Monday 10:00am. Cokes and Popcorn, Computer Classes.

Tuesday, 2nd- Mexican Train Dominoes at 10:00am, Exercise Class 11:00 and Computer Classes.

Wednesday, 3rd- Information about Noah Project, Nutrition Education Class

Thursday, 4th- 11:00am Exercise Class, Computer Classes

Friday, 5th- Bingo by Homestead of Baird-Nursing home and Rehab 10:30am

Would you like to learn Spanish?

The Cross Plains Senior Center will be offering Spanish Classes on Monday evenings. This is a basic Spanish class and is available to Adults in the Cross Plains area and surrounding community. If you are interested, please call the Center to sign up. 254-725-6521

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

Quilting Clubs Needed

A quilt top pieced by Lavonn Childress and Norma Farmer has been donated to the Cross Plains Senior Center. Donna Wagner and Sally Whitley donated the batting and liner and Shirley Thompson has loaned

The Center her quilting frame. The Cottonwood quilting ladies donated the fabric for the quilt. The Center now needs for volunteers to quilt! Please come Monday thru Friday to quilt and visit with some great ladies!

Needs Of The Senior Citizens Center

Muffin Tins, Bundt Pans and Egg Cartons

Brandin' Wall

The Cross Plains Senior Citizens Center has plans to make the north outside wall of the Center into a Brandin' Wall. The wall will be painted and then brands will be made out of metal art and attached to the wall. If you or your family has a brand and would like to have it on the wall, you may purchase them for \$100 for the first brand, \$75 for each additional brand. The brand will measure approximately 2 foot by 2 foot and will be powder coated black. In addition to the wall, there will be a Brand Book that will tell who the brands belong to. Stay tuned for more information about the book! Please bring your brand by the CP Senior Center and be one of the first to be a part of Cross Plains history! The following ranches have already reserved their space: Richard and Sharon Parr, Rusty and Debbie Reed, Randy and Judy Foster, Cliff and Connie Kirkham and the Fleming Family (Neil & Jo Veda Fleming Bush,) and Tommy and Ann Rone. Call Amber if you have any questions, 254-725-6521.

Do you or your loved ones take multiple medications?

Then put those medications into a brown bag and bring them to the Brown Bag Medication Checkup for a free consultation with a pharmacist.

Tuesday, August 9th

10:00 am - 1:00 pm

Cross Plains Senior Citizens Center

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

News for Veterans

Special to all Korean War Veterans—Wednesday, July 27th, was the 58th anniversary of the Korean War Armistice. You'll probably be reading this a day later than the 27th but go ahead and take the day off anyhow. You deserve it!

Some call it "The Forgotten War" but it is not forgotten to those who survived 40 below zero (without the wind-chill) weather and the fearsome charges by Chinese troops.

May we never forget those who served in that dreadful place and especially the thousands who died there. Rest in Peace.

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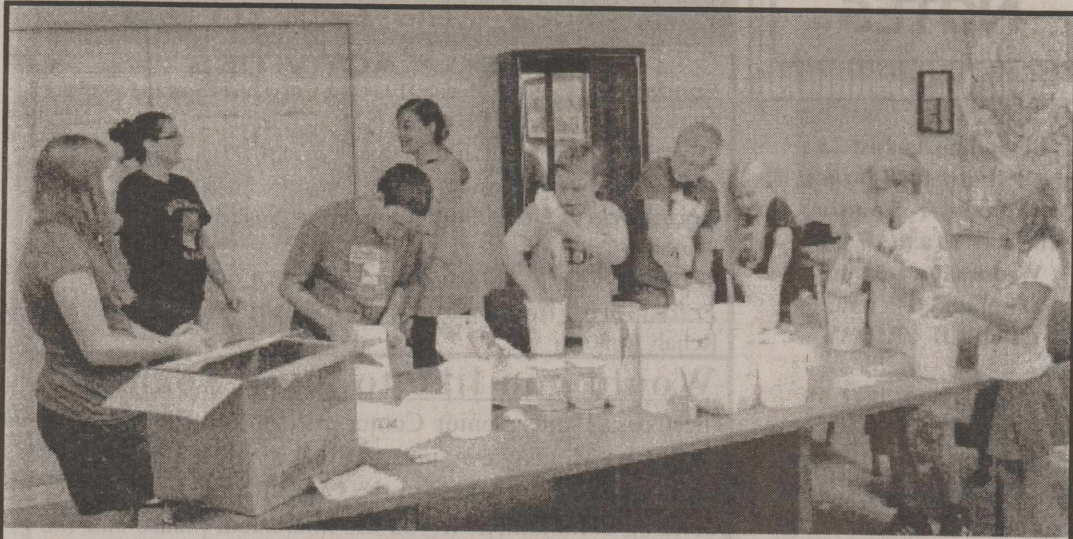
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Summer Reading Program at Local Library Continues with Great Presentations and Loads of Fun



Teens and Tweens — Headed up by Shelby Thomas enjoy making play dough.



Miss Sue's Little Readers — Enjoying crafts as they work on their dinosaur projects.

Last week we had our sixth week of the Summer Reading Programs at the Cross Plains Public Library! Summer is speeding by but there are two more programs to go!

Our last week, August 10th, will be a fun party day. We will start at 9:00 a.m. with a hayride around historic Cross Plains to see sites we have been learning about while celebrating the centennial.

After the hayride, we will have the story Rapunzel read to us then we will watch a movie relating to the story then have a short discussion about the transition of book to movie.

Miss Sue's Little Readers enjoyed their "Discovery Digs" and learning all about dinosaurs. Each child made a picture collage of dinosaurs, and as a treat Miss Sue had dinosaur sandwiches made for them!

The special programming was all about the importance of railroads. Mary Irving, from the Railroad Museum in



Steam Engine Program — Mary Irving shows the world's largest steam engine train called the Union Pacific Big Boy. Mary Irving is from the Brownwood Railroad Museum.

Brownwood, talked to the kids about the history of trains and how valuable they were as a means of fast and safe transportation for the early settlers.

Rachelle Allen and Ashleigh Dugger directed the Teens and Tweens in making very

flavorful, colorful and edible play dough! It was fun and exciting to experiment with the ingredients.

Join us next week at 1:00 p.m. for the Little Readers, 2:00 p.m. for the special programming, and 3:00 p.m. for the Teens and Tweens.

Texas Sales Tax Free Holiday

Texas shoppers get a break from state and local sales taxes on Friday, Saturday, and Sunday, August 19th, 20th and 21st, the state's annual tax holiday. Lay-away plans can be used again this year to take advantage of the sales tax holiday.

As in previous years, the law exempts most clothing and footwear priced under \$100 from sales and use taxes, which could save shoppers about \$8 on every \$100 they spend. Backpacks under \$100 and used by elementary and secondary students are also exempt. A backpack is a pack with straps one wears on the back. The exemption during the sales tax holiday includes backpacks with wheels, provided they can also be worn on the back like a traditional backpack, and messenger bags. The exemption does not include items that are reasonably defined as luggage, briefcases, athletic/duffel/gym bags, computer bags, purses or framed backpacks. Ten or fewer backpacks can be purchased tax-free at one time without providing an exemption certificate to the seller.

School Supplies

The 81st Texas Legislature passed HB 1801 (2009) expanding the list of items qualifying for exemption from Texas state and local sales and use taxes during the annual sales tax holiday in August. In addition to clothes, footwear and some backpacks, Texas families also get a sales tax break on most school supplies priced at less than \$100 purchased for use by a student in an elementary or secondary school.

The following is an all-inclusive list of qualifying school supplies (if priced less than \$100):

- Binders
- Book bags
- Calculators
- Cellophane tape
- Blackboard chalk
- Compasses
- Composition books
- Crayons
- Erasers
- Folders; expandable, pocket, plastic, and manila
- Glue, paste and paste sticks
- Highlighters
- Index cards
- Index card boxes

- Legal pads
- Lunch boxes
- Markers
- Notebooks
- Paper; loose leaf ruled notebook paper, copy paper, graph paper, tracing paper, manila paper, colored paper, poster board, and construction paper
- Pencil boxes and other school supply boxes
- Pencil sharpeners
- Pencils
- Pens
- Protractors
- Rulers
- Scissors
- Writing tablets

No exemption certificate is required - with one exception. If the purchaser is buying the supplies under a business account, the retailer must obtain an exemption certificate from the purchaser certifying that the items are purchased for use by an elementary or secondary school student. "Under a business account" means the purchaser is using a business credit card or business check rather than a personal credit card or personal check; being billed under a business account maintained at the retailer; or is using a business membership at a retailer that is membership based.

List of Clothing, Footwear and Backpacks, and Their Exemption Status

TAX-FREE

- Baby clothes
- Backpacks for use by elementary and secondary students
- Belts with attached buckles
- Boots - cowboy, hiking
- Caps/hats - baseball, fishing, golf, knitted
- Coats and wraps
- Diapers - adult and baby
- Dresses
- Gloves (generally)
- Gym suits and uniforms
- Hooded shirts and hooded sweatshirts
- Hosiery
- Jackets
- Jeans
- Jerseys - baseball and football
- Jogging apparel
- Neckwear and ties
- Pajamas
- Pants and trousers
- Raincoats and ponchos
- Robes

- Shirts
- Shoes - sandals, slippers, sneakers, tennis, walking
- Socks (including athletic)
- Suits, slacks, and jackets
- Sweatshirts
- Sweat suits
- Sweaters
- Swimsuits
- Underclothes
- Work clothes and uniforms

TAXED

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

A word of caution: If you sell items that do not qualify for the exemption, you may not advertise or promise that you will pay your customers' sales tax. Additionally, you are prohibited from advertising that you will not collect sales tax on items that do not qualify. You may advertise that tax is included in the sales price of the taxable items that you sell, however.

For information on how to report tax on these sales, please visit "Reporting Sales Tax on Tax-Free Items", "Extended List of Clothing and Footwear", and "Sales Tax Holiday Frequently Asked Questions."

School Board Minutes

July 21, 2011

The Cross Plains I.S.D. Board of Trustees met in a regular meeting with the following members present: Jack Shepard, Tommy Ames, Jim Cook, John McWilliams, Michael Cowan, Elvan Goode and Hoyt Foster.

The following administrators and guest were also in attendance: Superintendent, High School Principal, Elementary Principal and guest, Jason Jones with TXU.

Motion was made by Foster and seconded by Ames to accept the TXU electric bid at the load zone price of .0619/kwh for a 24 month period. For 7 Against 0

Motion was made by Cowan and seconded by Ames to approve the previous minutes.

Motion was made by Cowan and seconded by Ames to accept Cross Plains Petroleum fuel bid for 2011-12 school year. For 7 Against 0

Motion was made by Ames and seconded by Cowan to accept Borden's bid for milk service for

2011-12 school year. For 7 Against 0

Motion was made by Foster and seconded by McWilliams to change breakfast pricing to \$1.10 and PK-12, and that lunch prices be amended that PK-6th grade be \$1.85 and the 7th-12th be \$2.10. For 7 Against 0

Motion was made by Ames and seconded by Goode to accept the Student Handbook and Code of Conduct for Student Handbook. For 7 Against 0

Motion was made by Foster and seconded by McWilliams to accept the Employee Handbook. For 7 Against 0

Motion was made by Foster and seconded by Ames to waive on the request of two taxpayers penalties and interest on two properties. For 7 Against 0

Motion was made by Foster and seconded by McWilliams to accept Cam Gulley for audit service for a 3-year contracted service. For 7 Against 0

No action taken on item.

Motion was made by Ames and

seconded by Cowan that Roy Richey receive a 10 month 1/2 time contract and Kathy Turner a 10 month teaching contract. Dade Cosby would receive a 10 month dual assignment contract. For 7 Against 0

Motion was made by Foster and seconded by Goode that a 12 month contract be awarded to Daniel Purvis. For 7 Against 0

Motion was made by Foster and seconded by McWilliams to adopt coaching stipend for 2011-2012 school year. For 7 Against 0

Motion was made by Cowan and seconded by Goode to approve salaries for 2011-2012 school year. For 7 Against 0

Motion was made by Cowan and seconded by McWilliams that Level 1 Health Insurance for all employees will be paid. For 7 Against 0

The board went into executive session at 7:50 p.m. and returned at 8:15 p.m.

Motion was made by Ames and seconded by Cowan to adjourn. For 7 Against 0

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Cross Plains High School Class of 1961 Celebrates Their 50th Anniversary —

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Jerry Tyler (Middle Row), James Harris, Alvin Hutchins, Elvin Hutchins, Sue (Loveless) Leach, Claudette (Baugh) Ross, Lonnie Switzer and Tom Adams.

Jerry Fleming (Front Row), Drie (Jones) Evans, Pat (Ford) Albus, Carole (Cox) Drennan, Rex Tackett, Virginia (Odom) Trevey, Linda (Baum) Pringle and Linda (Dillard) Ring.

CPHS Class of 1961 celebrated their 50th anniversary on June 4, 2011 at the Cross Plains Community Center. There were 29 graduates of this group who started their school days in 1949. Several of them began school in Cross Plains and 12 years later these graduates began their journey of the past 50 years. Three of them are deceased including Dan Archer, Alice Parson and Patsy Bennett. Eighteen of 29 were present at the reunion.

In attendance from Cross Plains were Alvin Hutchins, Linda (Dillard) Ring, Linda (Baum) Pringle, Tom Adams and Lonnie Switzer. Glenn Lawrence, Carole (Cox) Drennan, Druecilla (Jones) Evans and Pat (Ford) Albus were in attendance from Abilene. Coming from Brownwood were Jerry Tyler, Jerry Fleming and Rex Tackett. Elvin Hutchins of Lake Brownwood, James Harris of Waskom, Texas, Monty Neeb of Ruidosa, New Mexico, Claudette (Baugh) Ross of Carlsbad, New Mexico, James Payne of Ft. Stockton, Virginia (Odom) Trevey of Snyder, Paul Whitton, Jr. of Austin, Martha (Baum) Killough of Weatherford and Sue (Loveless) Leach of Breckenridge were also present.

The class officers were James Payne - President, Martha Baum Killough - Vice-president, Alvin Hutchins - Secretary; Drue Jones Evans - Treasurer and Carole Cox - Reporter. All of these were present and James brought the business meeting to order. The Class' Scholarship Fund was discussed. There is \$3,500 in the fund's account. A \$1,000

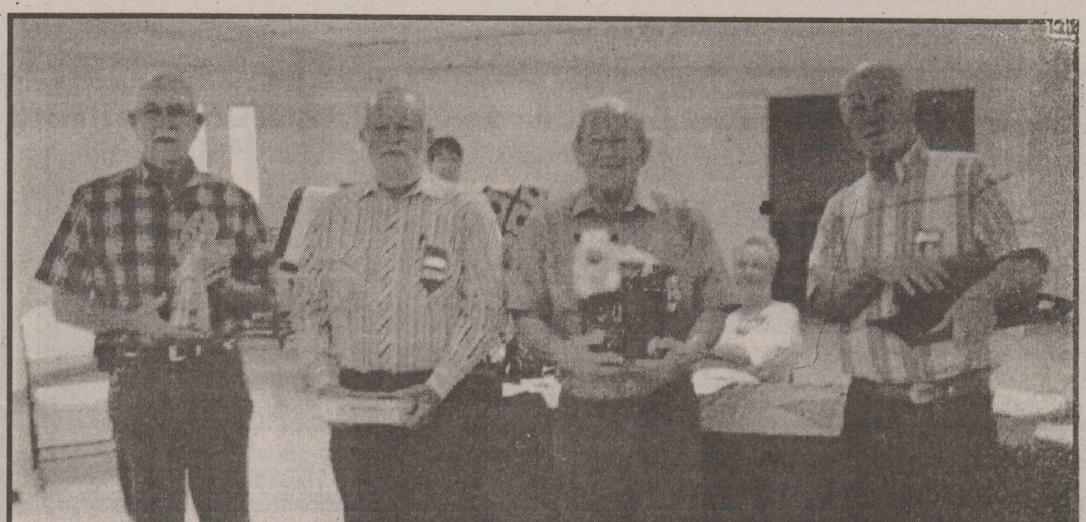


The Buffalo Quilt — The high point of the day was the drawing for the Buffalo Quilt, that was made and donated to the class by Sue (Loveless) Leach. Tom Adams was the lucky recipient of this beautiful quilt.

scholarship was awarded to the 3rd ranking senior of the class of 2010. The fun has been officially named Class of 1961 Scholarship Fund. You may send donations to this fund directly to Texas Heritage Bank in Cross Plains or to Alvin Hutchins and he will deposit in the account. This is a separate fund from the flower fund that we have had for several years. We will continue to use this fund for tributes to immediate family members of our class.

A wonderful time was enjoyed by all. If you were not able to be with us, we want you to know that we really missed you. There is no way that anyone of us could relate to you what a great day of visiting and remembering we had. We all hope and pray that for whatever reason you were unable to be with us, that God will enable you to be with us at the next Homecoming in 2012.

Submitted by
Pat (Ford) Albus



CPHS Class of 1961 Prize Winners - Prizes were awarded in four categories, Distance traveled went to Monty Neeb from Ruidosa, NM. Married the Longest was Lonnie Switzer. The most children was a tie, going to Elvin Hutchins and James Harris and the Most grandchildren and great-grandchildren was awarded to Elvin Hutchins.

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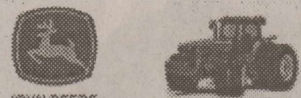
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Citizens EMS seeking monthly subsidy increase from Callahan County

Citizens Emergency Medical Service, which serves Callahan County, and the cities of Baird and Clyde, is seeking a funding subsidy increase from the City of Clyde and Callahan County for the 2012 fiscal year.

Citizens EMS made its annual 2012 budget request to the Callahan County Commissioners' Court meeting held Monday, July 25th at the County Courthouse in Baird.

Jim Rector, Citizens EMS representative, met with the commissioners' court to discuss the 2011-2012 budget for ambulance service in Callahan County.

According to the number of ambulance calls made in 2010, the City of Clyde and Callahan County each increased their number of calls, while the City of Baird saw a slight decrease.

The City of Clyde reported 373 calls made in the city limits of Clyde, which is 39.55% of the total number of calls made by Citizens EMS.

The City of Baird reported 178 calls made in the city limits of Baird, which is 18.88% of the total number of calls made by Citizens EMS.

Callahan County had 392 calls made within the County, which is 41.57% of the total number of calls made.

A total of 943 ambulance calls were made by Citizens EMS in 2010.

Based upon the number of calls made in Callahan County, Citizens EMS is seeking a total monthly subsidy increase from the County in the amount of \$743,46 to \$4,726.21 per month or \$56,714.59 for the year.

The Citizens EMS will also be seeking an increase in the monthly subsidy from the City of Clyde as well. Citizens EMS is asking for a \$675.00 monthly subsidy increase from the City of Clyde to \$4,496.55 per month or \$53,958.67 annually.

Based upon the number of calls made in the city limits of Baird, Citizens EMS will be asking for a small decrease in the monthly subsidy payment. The City of Baird's monthly subsidy will be \$2,146.52, which is a decrease of \$66.23 from the previous year. The City of Baird's annual subsidy to Citizens EMS is \$25,758.27.

Based upon the number of

ambulance calls made by Citizens EMS, the total 2011 subsidy for the three entities of Callahan County and the City of Baird and City of Clyde is \$11,369.28 per month or \$136,431.53 annually.

Last year, Citizens EMS received total subsidies of \$10,016 per month or \$120,202.92 annually.

After hearing the report from Rector, county commissioners took no action concerning the 2011 Citizens EMS budget.

Other agenda items brought before the commissioners' court included:

—Callahan County Judge Roger Corn called the commissioners' court meeting to order

at 9:31 a.m. with Precinct #1 Commissioner Harold Hicks, Precinct #2 Commissioner Bryan Farmer, Precinct #3 Commissioner Tom Windham, and Precinct #4 Commissioner Cliff Kirkham present. Also present at the meeting were Donna Bell, County Clerk, and Deputy County Treasurer Jan Windham.

—The commissioners' court meeting minutes from the previous meeting were approved and signed.

—Under public comments, there were none.

—There was no action taken on the Countywide Burn Ban. The Countywide Burn Ban remains in effect.

—Sheriff John Windham presented the monthly Sheriff's Report for June. Commissioner Farmer made a motion to approve the report. Commissioner Windham seconded the motion and the motion carried with a 5-0 vote.

—Commissioner Windham made a motion to pay the approved bills. Commissioner Kirkham seconded the motion and the motion carried with a 5-0 vote.

—Commissioner Windham made a motion to adjourn the commissioners' court meeting at 10:48 a.m. Commissioner Hicks seconded the motion. The motion carried with a 5-0 vote.

Extension Agent makes quarterly report to County Commissioners

Callahan County Extension Agent Jerry Warren presented the quarterly impact report to members of the Callahan County Commissioners' Court on Monday, July 25th during the commissioners' monthly meeting held at the Callahan County Courthouse in Baird.

Agriculture & Natural Resources

Warren reported the Multi-County Wheat Tour was held on May 6th, and had 50 people in attendance. Producers from Callahan, Jones, and Taylor counties were updated on wheat varieties, yields, disease and insect pressure. The tour began at Hamby, Texas location and then moved to the Eula location to observe similar wheat variety trials.

Result demonstrations and applied research projects were established to evaluate new products and technology, that might assist producers in the future include: pastoria demonstrations on control of sandburs; various chemicals to control grass briars; overseeding of coastal with legumes and clover.

The Texas Fruit Growers Spring Field meeting was held on March 25th-26th. The program began with a meeting at the Holiday Inn Express in Eastland. The discussion included feral hogs—what's legal and what's not; high tunnel technology and blackberry management. On March 26th, the meeting was held at

the Cottonwood Community Center. The discussion started with Generic or brand name chemicals and concluded with a visit to the Childress Farm—a diverse operation of pecans, peaches, blackberries, black-eyed peas, red angus cattle, hay, Christmas trees, landscape trees, bees and hunting leases.

Family & Consumer Sciences

Healthy Tid Bits and Quick and Healthy Dinner Ideas have been added to the Callahan County 4-H newsletter.

4-H and Youth Development Callahan County 4-H members participated in the County photography contest on April 1st. A total of 120 photos were entered and 39 advanced to District and 12 advanced to the State level.

On April 2nd, Callahan County Shooting Sports hosted its 4th Annual Charlie Greenway Shoot. 4-H members from numerous counties around the state came to participate in the shoot.

Texas won the overall state award at the National Shooting Sports competition in San Antonio, June 20th-24th. The Texas team consisted of 36 members and five members were from Callahan County.

On May 7th, three Callahan County 4-H members participated in the District 7 4-H Roundup in the Educational Presentation category.

State Roundup was held June 13th to June 17th in College

Old Folks and Cowpokes

James Nichols

Menville

It was the 9th day of July, 1922 when Menville (Mickie) Proctor discovered America; born to C.W. and Margaret Luelyn Woody (Granny) Proctor. She attended the Cottonwood school system until it consolidated with Cross Plains. Her mother became ill and she did not get to graduate at Cross Plains, but took a correspondence course from a school in Massachusetts.

C.W., known to some people as Charley, was a oil field pumper out west of town. The Proctors moved to Cross Plains sometime in the mid thirties, give or take a few years, and lived only a block from the Nichols household. As a young boy of 5 or 6, when I was in trouble I would hide out under a bed over at the Proctors. I usually would wind up taking a nice long nap there, of which I'm sure I did not need.

When Granny Proctor was up in

years, Mickie asked her why she didn't watch soap operas like other elderly ladies. She replied in a stern voice, "I'm not watching those bed hoppers."

In 1938 Mickie married Rubin Dick Dillard. Dick, Boyd and Neal started out operating a mechanic shop and would wind up in the oil patch. Dick was a driller on a rotary and worked in West Texas, New Mexico and Oklahoma before becoming a tool pusher for Big D Drilling here in Cross Plains. He retired shortly after having a heart attack.

Mickie attended the Brownwood Beauty College in 1957 or 1958 and worked for Lucille Rich for two years before building her own shop in the 1960s. She was a beautician for some 30 years.

Mickie and Dick enjoyed traveling around the country in their travel trailer. They visited Mexico and Canada.

Callahan County DPS Report

Calls received by the Callahan County Department of Public Safety from July 17, 2011 through July 23, 2011 include:

Cases Investigated
Warnings—207
Complaints—68
Fugitive Arrest-Possession of Marijuana—1
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Vehicle Accidents
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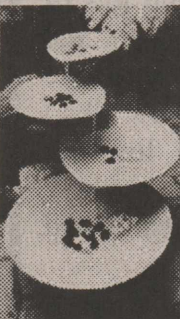
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Texas, Underground

By U.S. Sen. John Cornyn
The Natural Bridge Caverns take "deep in the heart of Texas Hill Country" to a whole new meaning. With depths reaching 260 feet underground, it is Texas' largest-known cavern and consistently ranks as one of the state's top tourist destinations. Discovered in 1960 by students at St. Mary's University, the cavern, located just west of New Braunfels, has delighted visitors for decades with lantern-led tours, archaeological gems, and natural formations like "soda straw" stalactites occurring along hidden passages. Originally thought to consist of only a modest-sized cave under a 60-foot naturally occurring limestone bridge, it wasn't until four students with St. Mary's spelientology club took a routine caving expedition to the next level that the massive chambers of the cavern were discovered. On March 27, 1960, students Orion Knox, Al Brandt, Preston Knodell and Jo Cantu decided to split off from the rest of their group, who were exploring the original cave of the Natural Bridge Caverns. Having visited the cave three times prior, the group of four was curious to see if there was anything more to the cave. As the smallest member of the group, Knox, then 19, made his way through a tight crawlspace with a rock hammer and a carbide lamp. When he emerged on the other

side, he was welcomed by a great expanse of darkness. He called back to the group, "Hey, we have may have something here." That "something" was the largest underground cavern in Texas, and it would take the relentless efforts of the landowner, rancher and widow Clara Wuest, to bring its development to fruition. When Wuest first approached the state and national parks agencies to seek their assistance in developing the cavern, she was turned down. But this setback didn't stop her. She mortgaged her ranch to fund the project, and for 2 years, caverns and workers, including Orion Knox, worked 14-hour days to develop the site. By completion, they had excavated a half-mile route into the cavern, complete with paths and tunnels for visitors to navigate. Wuest opened the cavern to the public in 1964, and tourists began flocking to the attraction, giving a significant boost to the early years of Texas' tourism industry. In 1971, the Natural Bridge Caverns were listed as a registered U.S. natural landmark. First discovered by student explorers, today the cavern aptly remains a principal site of study. The Center of Archaeological Research at the University of Texas at San Antonio has been involved in the excavation of the landmark, and the cavern has provided students with an

enlightening, hands-on dimension to their geological studies throughout the years. Certainly for visitors of any age, the cavern provides an exciting learning experience. The Lantern Tour recreates the ambience of a dauntless exploratory expedition to the delight of its young patrons. Chalkboard drawings and lessons are replaced with palpable wonders such as stalagmites, stalactites and cave ribbons. Children can take turns on the mining sluice, scrutinizing their fortunes as they sift through buckets to discover fossils, gems and arrowheads. Some arrowheads and spearheads found during the original excavation dated from 5,000 B.C. The Natural Bridge Caverns' beauty dazzles observers and captivates photographers. In 2003, *USA Today* classified the Natural Bridge Caverns as one of "10 Great Places to get nature on film." In addition to commercial praise, the cavern also enjoys national recognition from the United States Department of the Interior as part of the National Register of Historical Places. Whether it's a classroom field trip, a summer daytrip, or scratching an itch for adventure, a visit to the Natural Bridge Caverns will not disappoint. To learn more, visit www.naturalbridgecaverns.com. Sources: *Austin American-Statesman*; *Texas State Historical Association*; *Naturalbridgecaverns.com*

Barb's Cues

By Barbara Holmes Worcester

Why, Why, Why

Why, Why, Why do we press harder on a remote control when we know the batteries are getting dead?
Why do banks charge a fee on "insufficient funds" when they know there is not enough money?
Why does someone believe you when you say there are four billion stars, but check when you say the paint is wet?
Why do they use sterilized needles for death by lethal injection?
Why does Superman stop bullets with his chest, but ducks when you throw a revolver at him?
Why do Kamikaze pilots wear helmets?
Whose idea was it to put an "S" in the word "lisp".
If people evolved from apes, why are there still apes?
Why is it that no matter what color bubble bath you use, the bubbles are always white?
Is there ever a day that mattresses are not on sale?
Why do people constantly return to the refrigerator with hopes that something new to eat will have materialized?
Why do people keep running over a string a dozen times with their vacuum cleaner, then reach

down, pick it up, examine it, then put it down to give the vacuum one more chance?
Why is it that no plastic bag will open from the end on your first try?
How do those dead bugs get into those enclosed light fixtures?
When we are in the supermarket and someone rams our ankle with a shopping cart then apologizes for doing so why do we say, "It's all right." Well, it isn't all right, so why don't we say, "That hurt, please be careful."
Why is it that whenever you attempt to catch something that's falling off the table you always manage to knock something else over?
In winter, why do we try to keep the house as warm as it was in summer when we complained about the heat?
How come you never hear father-in-law jokes?
The statistics on sanity are that one out of every four persons is suffering from some sort of mental illness. Think of your three best friends—if they're okay, then it's you.

Ponderments

The older we get, the fewer things seem worth waiting in line for.
Some people want to turn back

their odometers. Not me, I want people to know "why I look this way. I've traveled a long way and some of the roads weren't paved.
When you are dissatisfied and would like to go back to your youth, think of Algebra.
I don't know how I got over the hill without getting to the top.
One must wait until evening to know how splendid the day has been.
Being young is beautiful but being old is comfortable.
Learn to laugh at trouble so you can laugh when you are old. Old age is not for sissies.
From the Internet

Fudge

2 sticks butter or margarine
1 large can evaporated milk
1 large bag miniature marshmallows
1 tsp. vanilla
5 cups sugar
1 12-ounce package semi-sweet chocolate chips
1 cup chopped nuts
Melt butter and add sugar and milk; boil for 13 minutes. Remove from heat and add chocolate chips, marshmallows, vanilla and nuts. Stir until chocolate and marshmallows are melted. Pour into large greased pan. Place in refrigerator for one hour; may then be cut into squares and placed in containers. Yield: 5 pounds.

Diane Poole

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2011 Property Tax Rates in CITY OF CROSS PLAINS

This notice concerns 2011 property tax rates for CITY OF CROSS PLAINS. It presents information about three tax rates. Last year's tax rate is the actual rate the taxing unit used to determine property taxes last year. This year's effective tax rate would impose the same total taxes as last year if you compare properties taxed in both years. This year's rollback tax rate is the highest tax rate the taxing unit can set before taxpayers can start tax rollback procedures. In each case these rates are found by dividing the total amount of taxes by the tax base (the total value of taxable property) with adjustments as required by state law. The rates are given per \$100 of property value.

Last year's tax rate:	
Last year's operating taxes	\$ 85,421
Last year's debt taxes	\$ 0
Last year's total taxes	\$ 85,421
Last year's tax base	\$ 22,427,700
Last year's total tax rate (per \$100)	\$ 0.38021/\$100
This year's effective tax rate:	
Last year's adjusted taxes	\$ 85,421
(after subtracting taxes on lost property)	
+ This year's adjusted tax base	\$ 22,466,790
(after subtracting value of new property)	
= This year's effective tax rate (per \$100)	\$ 0.36888/\$100
(Maximum rate unless unit publishes notices and holds hearings.)	

In the first year a hospital district or city collects the additional sales tax to reduce property taxes, it must insert the following lines unless its first adjustment was made last year.

- Sales tax adjustment rate	\$ 0.00000/\$100
= Effective tax rate	\$ 0.36888/\$100

This year's rollback tax rate:	
Last year's adjusted operating taxes	\$ 85,421
(after subtracting taxes on lost property and adjusting for transferred function, taxes increment financing, and/or enhanced indigent health care expenditures)	
+ This year's adjusted tax base	\$ 23,156,670
= This year's effective operating rate	\$ 0.36888/\$100
x 1.08 = this year's maximum operating rate	\$ 0.39839/\$100
+ This year's debt rate	\$ 0.00000/\$100
= This year's rollback rate	\$ 0.39839/\$100

Statement of Increase/Decrease

If CITY OF CROSS PLAINS adopts a 2011 tax rate equal to the effective tax rate of \$0.36888 per \$100 of value, taxes would increase compared to 2010 taxes by \$690.

Schedule A Unencumbered Fund Balances

The following estimated balances will be left in the unit's property tax accounts at the end of the fiscal year. These balances are not encumbered by a corresponding debt obligation.

Type of Property Tax Fund	Balance

Schedule B: 2011 Debt Service

The unit plans to pay the following amounts for long-term debts that are secured by property taxes. These amounts will be paid from property tax revenues (or additional sales tax revenues, if applicable).

Description of Debt	Principal or Contract Payment to be Paid from Property Taxes	Interest to be Paid from Property Taxes	Other Amounts to be Paid	Total Payment
WATER/SEWER BONDS	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Total required for 2011 debt service				\$0
- Amount (if any) paid from funds listed in Schedule A				\$0
- Amount (if any) paid from other resources				\$0
- Excess collections last year				\$0
= Total to be paid from taxes in 2011				\$0
+ Amount added in anticipation that the unit will collect only 95.00% of its taxes in 2011				\$0
= Total debt levy				\$0

This notice contains a summary of actual effective and rollback tax rates' calculations. You can inspect a copy of the full calculations at the central appraisal district offices, 132 West 4th St., Baird, Tx. 79504

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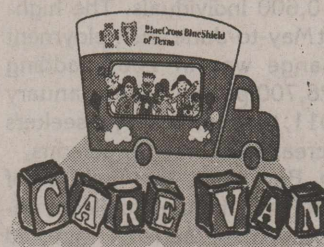
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Callahan County's Jobless Rate Rises to 7.8% in June

The unemployment rate in Callahan County rose one and three-tenths of one percent to 7.8% in June 2011, according to jobless figures released Friday, July 22, 2011 by the Texas Workforce Commission. The unemployment rate in Callahan County one year ago in June 2010 was 6.3 percent.

Of the 6,868 civilian labor force in Callahan County, 6,335 were employed during June 2011, and 533 were unemployed, giving the county an unemployment rate of 7.8%.

Callahan County's unemployment rate was 6.5% in May, 2011. Of the 6,867 civilian labor force in the county during May, 6,423 had jobs while 444 or 6.5% were unemployed.

Previous monthly jobless rates in Callahan County included: 5.9% in April 2011, 6.3% in March, 6.9% in February, 6.3% in January 2011, 5.8% in December 2010, 6.1% in November, 5.5% in October, 5.6% in September, 5.8% in August, and 6.3% in July, according to the unemployment figures.

Big Country area counties, bordering Callahan County, and the counties' unemployment rates for June 2011 include: Brown, 8.0%; Coleman, 7.7%; Eastland, 8.6%; Jones, 9.1%; Runnels, 9.1%; Shackelford, 4.7%; Stephens, 8.7%; and Taylor County, 7.4%.

The Abilene MSA (Metropolitan Statistical Area) unemployment rate, which includes Taylor, Callahan and Jones Counties, stood at 7.6% in June, 2011, according to the Texas Workforce Commission. Abilene's Combined Labor Force is 79,900. There were 73,900 employed during June, 2011, while 6,000 were unemployed, giving the Abilene MSA an unemployment rate of 7.6%.

The Abilene MSA reported the workforce was 80,100 in May, 2011, with total employment of 74,800 in May 2011, while 5,300, or 6.6% were unemployed in May 2011.

The Abilene MSA unemployment rate for June, 2010 was 6.8%, with the total workforce at 83,800, with 78,100 employed and 5,700 unemployed in June, 2010.

The state's unemployment rate for the month of June, 2011 was 8.8 percent. Last month's statewide unemployment rate was 7.9 percent. The state's unemployment rate in June of 2010 was 8.4 percent.

The United States unemployment rate for June, 2011 was 9.3 percent. The nation's unemployment rate for the previous month of May, 2011 was 8.7%. The United States unemployment rate one year ago in June, 2010 was 9.6%.

UNEMPLOYMENT

Callahan County Unemployment	May	June
	6.5%	7.8%
Total Labor Force	6,867	6,868
Total Employed	6,423	6,335
Total Unemployed	444	533

bor Force grew by 157,400 persons. Over the year, the Civilian Labor Force increased by 137,900.

The number of jobholders contracted for the third time this year, declining by 44,300 persons to an estimated level of 11,225,300 Texans. This month's May-to-June change was recorded as the largest employment decline since 1976. Since the beginning of this year, 110,200 more people joined the ranks of the employed population. The estimated level of those seeking employment opportunities reached a new high of 1,082,700 Texans. This year's May-to-June change was the second highest in the series at 110,600 individuals. The highest May-to-June unemployment change was in 2009, adding 126,700 people. Since January 2011, the number of jobseekers increased by 47,200 persons.

For June, the number of Texans continuing to file for unemployment benefits mirrored last year's increase of 9,200 individuals, for a total of 148,600 persons receiving benefits. The unemployment insurance claims at the metropolitan Statistical Area (MSA) level recorded 20 MSAs with increased activity and five MSAs decreasing in activity. The San Angelo MSA, the El Paso MSA, and the Midland MSA experienced the sharpest declines among the MSAs at -5.7 percent, -3.0 percent, and -2.5 percent, respectively.

The unemployment rates at the MSA level increased for all 25 MSAs in June. The College Station-Bryan and the Lubbock MSAs experienced the sharpest over-the-month rate increase among the MSAs, each rising by 1.4 percent. The Midland MSA produced the lowest unemployment rate among the MSAs at 5.2 percent, as well as the lowest over-the-month change of six-tenths of a percentage point.

"Happenings Around The State"

Rackspace Plans to Triple Workforce

AUSTIN, TEXAS (Austin American-Statesman)—Kirk Ladendorf—Fast-growing Rackspace Hosting Inc. plans to more than triple its Austin workforce over the next two to three years. The San Antonio-based company, which manages more than 66,000 computer servers worldwide, employs nearly 300 people locally and is looking to hire more. Over the next two to three years, the company expects to grow to more than 1,000 workers in Austin, said Max Thoene, the company's vice-president of operations.

The company wants to expand in Austin, Thoene said, because the region has a deep pool of technical talent and workers who fit with its values, which

include "fanatical customer support." Thoene added, "Austin fits with that culture. We want to attract people who share those values." Rackspace opened its Austin office in 2006 as a sales center, but it has expanded over time to add technical jobs and software development to support its international Web hosting.

Frontier Brings Jobs to Allen

ALLEN, TEXAS (McKinney Courier-Gazette)—Frontier Communications, a company that offers communications services to rural areas in 27 states, will bring 300 new jobs to the Metroplex, becoming Allen's second-largest private employer in the process. The company will consolidate Dallas offices into a centralized location in Allen, bringing 300 jobs from Dallas, with room for 300 new jobs. Steven Crosby, spokesman for Frontier, said the consolidation into the Allen building will create an improved work environment for the company.

Brazilian Company Hiring Workers for New Plant

EDINBURG, TEXAS (Area Development Online News Desk)—Santana Textiles, a Brazilian denim manufacturer, has begun hiring up to 300 employees for its new 33-acre facility in Edinburg. When completed by year's end, the plant will house the company's spinning and weaving operations. It also will be the biggest facility operated by the world's fifth-largest denim producer. The company employs currently 1,800 employees in Brazil and Argentina.

Raudel Garza, executive director of the Rio South Texas Economic Council, said Santana's plant is a multi-phase project expected to take three years to complete. Once all phases are complete and the facility ramped up, "they expect to have a workforce of up to 800 people," Garza said. Texas officials have estimated that the project eventually will pour roughly \$170 million into the region.

Healthcare Company to Add Jobs in Longview

LONGVIEW, TEXAS (Glimmer Mirror)—American HomePatient, Inc., one of the nation's largest home health care providers, will expand their patient support center operations into Longview this summer. They will occupy an existing building in Longview and will employ over 200 when fully operational. The company is expected to hire approximately 70 people this year. The focus of American HomePatient is respiratory services, delivering sleep therapy, aerosolized medications and oxygen to patients across the country. From the Longview facility, they will provide telephonic support for their customer patients to monitor their therapy.

THIS MORNING, WE HAD PRAYER; SPENT SOME TIME JUST TALKING, AND HE HELD ME FOR AWHILE BECAUSE I WAS HAVING A BAD MORNING . THEN, HE WAS ON HIS WAY TO YOUR PLACE.

When He gets to you, escort Him to the next stop. The message He is carrying is very important and needs to go around. May God bless you as you do this- AMEN.

Walking for Jesus!

Say a prayer, and then pass Him on to bless others. Our assignment is to love and spread the gospel throughout the world.

Oh God, please help all the unemployed, the hungry, the homeless, and all who suffer from some kind of disease, especially fear and hate. Be with our soldiers, please watch over them. We pray for our COUNTRY to once again return to "One Nation Under God".

Have a blessed day and touch somebody's life today! I just did. He's walking around the world. Pass it on! So He can get there ...

Courtesy of Bobbye Hinkle, via e-mail

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2011 Property Tax Rates in CALLAHAN COUNTY

This notice concerns 2011 property tax rates for CALLAHAN COUNTY. It presents information about three tax rates. Last year's tax rate is the actual rate the taxing unit used to determine property taxes last year. This year's effective tax rate would impose the same total taxes as last year if you compare properties taxed in both years. This year's rollback tax rate is the highest tax rate the taxing unit can set before taxpayers can start tax rollback procedures. In each case these rates are found by dividing the total amount of taxes by the tax base (the total value of taxable property) with adjustments as required by state law. The rates are given per \$100 of property value.

Last year's tax rate:	General Fund	Special Road/Bridge Fund
Last year's operating taxes	\$1,450,965	\$578,524
Last year's debt taxes	\$0	\$0
Last year's total taxes	\$1,450,965	\$578,524
Last year's tax base	\$505,290,450	\$531,938,382
Last year's total tax rate	0.33763/\$100	0.1268/\$100
This year's effective tax rate:		
Last year's adjusted taxes (after subtracting taxes on lost property)	\$1,450,965	\$578,524
+ This year's adjusted tax base (after subtracting value of new property)	\$434,150,510	\$446,892,618
= This year's effective tax rate for each fund	0.33420/\$100	0.12945/\$100
Total effective tax rate	0.46365/\$100	

In the first year a county collects the additional sales tax to reduce property taxes, it must insert the following lines unless its first adjustment was made last year.

- Sales tax adjustment rate	\$ 0.00000/\$100
= Effective tax rate	\$ 0.46365/\$100
This year's rollback tax rate:	
Last year's adjusted operating taxes (after subtracting taxes on lost property and adjusting for any transferred function tax increment financing, state criminal justice mandate, and/or enhanced indigent health care expenditures)	\$1,450,965
+ This year's adjusted tax base	\$434,150,510
= This year's effective operating rate	0.33420/\$100
x 1.08 = this year's maximum operating rate	0.36094/\$100
+ This year's debt rate	0.00000/\$100
= This year's rollback rate for each fund	0.36094/\$100
This year's total rollback rate	0.50075/\$100

A County that collects the additional sales tax to reduce property taxes, including one that collects the tax for the first time this year, must insert the following lines:

- Sales tax adjustment rate	\$0.00000/\$100
= Rollback tax rate	\$0.50075/\$100

For a county with additional rollback rate for pollution control, insert the following lines:

+ Additional rollback rate for pollution control	\$0.00000/\$100
= Rollback tax rate	\$0.50075/\$100

Statement of Increase/Decrease

If CALLAHAN COUNTY adopts a 2011 tax rate equal to the effective tax rate of \$0.46365 per \$100 of value, taxes would increase compared to 2010 taxes by \$11,511.

Schedule A: General Fund Unencumbered Fund Balances

The following estimated balances will be left in the unit's property tax accounts at the end of the fiscal year. These balances are not encumbered by a corresponding debt obligation.

Type of Property Tax Fund	Schedule B: General Fund 2011 Debt Service	Balance
The unit plans to pay the following amounts for long-term debts that are secured by property taxes. These amounts will be paid from property tax revenues (or additional sales tax revenues, if applicable).		
	Principal or Contract Payment to be Paid from Property Taxes	Interest to be Paid from Property Taxes
Description of Debt	Other Amounts to be Paid	Total Payment
Enter Text Here	\$0	\$0
Total required for 2011 Debt Service	\$0	\$0
- Amount (if any) paid from funds listed in Schedule A	\$0	\$0
- Amount (if any) paid from other resources	\$0	\$0
- Excess collections last year	\$0	\$0
= Total to be paid from taxes in 2011	\$0	\$0
+ Amount added in anticipation that the unit will collect only 95.00% of its taxes in 2011	\$0	\$0
= Total Debt Levy	\$0	\$0

Schedule A: Farm to Market/Flood Control Fund Unencumbered Fund Balances

The following estimated balances will be left in the unit's property tax accounts at the end of the fiscal year. These balances are not encumbered by a corresponding debt obligation.

Type of Property Tax Fund	Schedule B: Farm to Market/Flood Control Fund - 2011 Debt Service	Balance
The unit plans to pay the following amounts for long-term debts that are secured by property taxes. These amounts will be paid from property tax revenues (or additional sales tax revenues, if applicable).		
	Principal or Contract Payment to be Paid from Property Taxes	Interest to be Paid from Property Taxes
Description of Debt	Other Amounts to be Paid	Total Payment
Enter Text Here	\$0	\$0
Total required for 2011 Debt Service	\$0	\$0
- Amount (if any) paid from funds listed in Schedule A	\$0	\$0
- Amount (if any) paid from other resources	\$0	\$0
- Excess collections last year	\$0	\$0
= Total to be paid from taxes in 2011	\$0	\$0
+ Amount added in anticipation that the unit will collect only 95.00% of its taxes in 2011	\$0	\$0
= Total Debt Levy	\$0	\$0

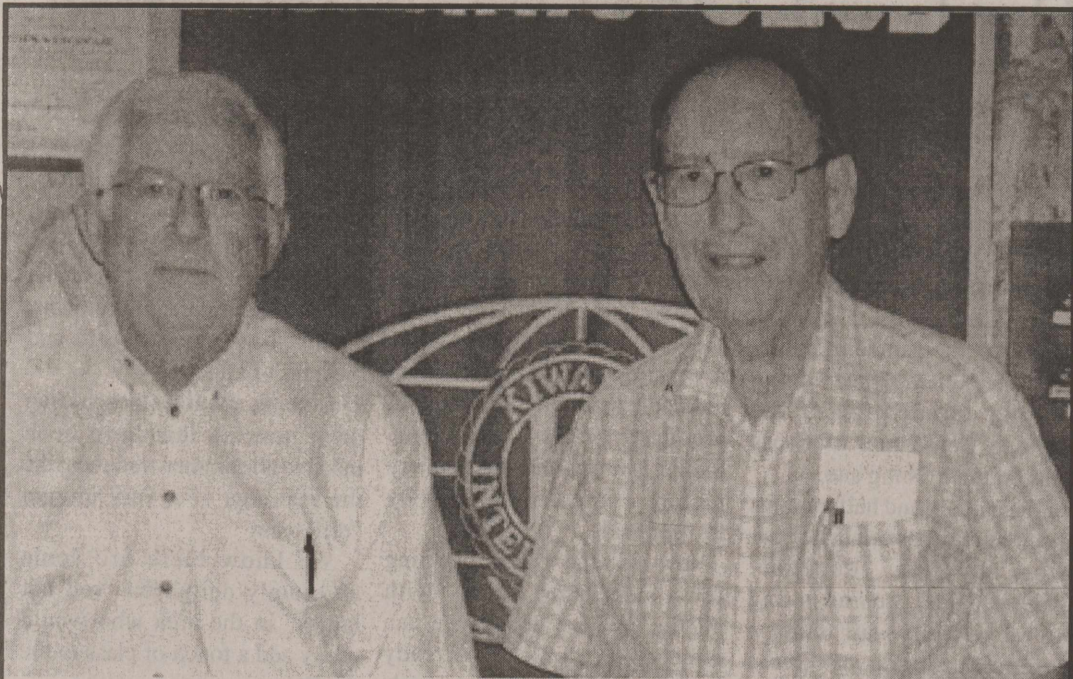
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Please Continue to Pray for RAIN to Heal our Land
2 Chronicles 7:14



Guest Speaker Judge Roger Corn — Judge Roger Corn (left) was the speaker at the July 19th Kiwanis meeting. Judge Corn presides over the Commissioner's Court in Callahan County which makes him the senior officer in the County. People call him to complain about other officers like the Sheriff's office, the County Clerk or County Attorney, but they are elected officials and he has no control over them. Except for one area, he sets the budget for the County that gives him a little power. Every County in Texas has a Judge and four commissioners, regardless of its size. He was glad that the recent census did not vary more than 10% and therefore did not require redistricting, saving the County more than \$30,000. Redistricting requires maintaining racial balance in each precinct that is a lot of work. He does not expect too many changes by the recent legislative session. He was the guest of Charles Rodenberger, president of Kiwanis that meets every Tuesday at Jean's Feed Barn. The public is invited.



School Teachers Visit Museum — Teea Robinson (center) was recently visiting Sammie and Leslie Courington at their Lake Brownwood home when a tour of the Robert E. Howard Museum sounded far more interesting than watching the lake dry up. Teea teaches literature in the Pflugerville ISD and was interested in Howard as a Texas writer, especially his western stories and his poetry. They were delighted to spend some time touring the home and learning more about Howard the writer and his vivid imagination. Sammie Courington (left) is well known within the world of tennis in this area; having coached and conducted clinics and tournaments for years at Brownwood High. Leslie (right) is a retired teacher who knows a few things about collecting curriculum resources.

Cross Plains City Council Minutes

May 10, 2011

This was a regular meeting of the Cross Plains City Council. Members of the council present were Mayor Ray Purvis, Mayor Pro Tem Jerry Cassle, Colby Walker and Peg Terrell.

Employees present were Debbie Gosnell.

Citizens present were Terri Neal, John Foller, Jimmy Hyatt, Sandra Hyatt, Linda Slaymaker and Deana Spivey.

Purvis called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

By general consent the minutes were approved as presented.

By general consent the judge's report was approved as presented.

Colby Walker moved to approve the bills as presented. Cassle seconded and motion carried.

By general consent the police report was approved as presented.

Terrell moved to pass a Grant Resolution naming Ray Purvis as the signatory agent for the Law Enforcement Equipment Grant. Cassle seconded and motion carried.

Deana Spivey met with the council on behalf of Dal-Mar Energy requesting a rate increase in the following areas: Customer Deposit form \$50 to \$100, Reconnection Fee from \$25 to \$30, Late Fee from \$0 to \$10, Residential and Commercial Minimum Rate from \$13 to \$15, All additional MCF's from \$9.50 to \$10, Environ Customers Minimum Rate from \$10 to \$15, All additional MCF's from \$8.50 to \$10, Employee Minimum Rate from \$13 to \$15.

Cassle moved to approve the rate increases as presented. Walker seconded and motion carried.

Gosnell discussed the need for a "medical permit" to be included in the Trailer House Ordinance which restricts trailer houses less than 16' to be placed inside the city limits. This restriction includes travel trailers and motor homes. She informed the council that several occasions have occurred where residents have been ill and family members have come to help take care of the individuals. She also advised the council that the Planning and Zoning Committee have looked into the matter and after careful consideration have suggested that a medical permit be issued on a case by case basis.

The permit would be allowed for a situation where long term care is needed, that a family member would be allowed to place a travel trailer/motor home on the property of the ill family member. The committee also recommended that no travel trailers/motor homes be allowed to be rented for such purposes and those family members who come to visit for only a short time (regardless of the reason) would still have to rent a space at the local RV Park. Cassle moved to amend the Trailer House

Ordinance to include a permit for medical purposes. The permit would cost \$25 monthly plus an additional sanitation fees. Walker seconded and motion carried.

Terrell moved to accept the Planning Committee's recommendation and allow Donald and Polly Beeler a temporary permit for six months renewable if necessary. Walker seconded and motion carried.

After a few minor typographical changes to the Curfew Ordinance, Terrell moved to pass the ordinance as presented. Walker seconded and motion carried. It was noted that the curfew ordinance would become law after publication in the local newspaper.

Kala Stout was next on the agenda to go over the improvements made to her house located at 416 No. Main Street. Ms. Stout was not present for the meeting.

Sandra Hyatt met with the council and presented the council with a letter requesting the City to clean up the city property located on FM 880 known as the Hinkle Well Field. This property is located next to their property and in her opinion she felt that since the property was brushy and also houses a place for Cross Plains residents to bring their brush that it created a fire hazard. She asked about City liability should a vehicle cause a fire to start on the city's property and caused damage or loss to the neighbors. By general consent the council agreed to look at the property before the next regular meeting and to place the topic back on the agenda for further discussion.

Terri Neal, with SC Services and Associates, Inc. met with the council to discuss a collection service for outstanding fines. She went over the services they provide as well as the benefits of using their services. She explained that there are no fees to the city and any costs associated with the collection of the fine goes to the plaintiff. Ms. Neal also explained that the city may terminate this agreement without cause any time by providing a thirty (30) day written notice to consultant. By general consent the council agreed to discuss the matter with the City Judge and clerks and put the item back on the next regular agenda for final discussion.

Terrell moved to adjourn. Walker seconded and motion carried.

Ray Purvis, Mayor
ATTEST:
Debbie Gosnell, Secretary

June 14, 2011

This was a regular meeting of the Cross Plains City Council. Members of the council present were Mayor Ray Purvis, Mayor Pro Tem Jerry Cassle, Randy Strickland, Colby Walker, Bob

Kirkham and Lewis Fortune.

Employees present were Debbie Gosnell, Don Gosnell, Teresa Kennedy, Amber Thomas and Frankie Hyles.

Citizens present were Terri Neal, John Foller, Kala Stout, Jimmy Hyatt, Bob Pipes, Wilma Lawrence and Era Lee Hanke.

Purvis called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

By general consent the minutes were approved as presented.

Fortune moved to approve the bills as presented. Kirkham seconded and motion carried.

By general consent the police report was approved as presented.

The first item of business on the agenda was the 2010/2011 Annual Audit Report. CPA Cameron Gulley met with the council to go over the audit report. Mr. Gulley reported to the council that the report was a good clean audit and that the books are kept in good order. His main concern for the City is the growing deficit of the Senior Citizens Center. He reported to the council that the Center is not in the business to make money, however, it should be breaking even and it has seen a deficit all three years of operation. He recommended that the City transfer funds from the General Fund to the Special Revenue fund for the current fund deficit and any future net losses of the fund. He also recommended that the city consider increasing the meal fee to customers who pay full price to cover future deficits. He stated that there seemed to be no future hope of increasing funds for the center and is very concerned about the financial health of the center as it relates to the city's overall financial health.

Mrs. Gulley also commented that the city received over \$60,000.00 in grant revenue due to the city's local effort of reinstating the property tax. He commented that the Police Department brought in over \$193,000 since adding the new patrolman. He also discussed legislation that passed this year giving cities the ability to invest their money in corporate bonds which might bring in a higher yield of return, although it might not be as secure as investments in CD's since all of the city's money is covered by FDIC.

Overall Mr. Gulley commented that the city's financial health is in good shape.

Wilma Lawrence met with the council to go over the finances of the Library. She informed the council it cost the Library \$8,350 quarterly for operating expenses. She discussed the donation they receive as well as donations made for the use of the building. She updated the council on the programs they offer such as the children's program, meet the author and the genealogy program. She asked the council

to consider giving more money in their annual contribution to the Library and any contribution would be appreciated. The council thanked Ms. Lawrence for coming.

Terri Neal, with SC Services and Associates, Inc. met with the council to discuss a collection service for outstanding fines. She went over the services they provide as well as the benefits of using their services. She explained that there are no fees to the city and any costs associated with the collection of the fine goes to the plaintiff. Ms. Neal also explained that the city may terminate this agreement without cause at any time by providing a 30 day written notice to consultant.

By general consent the council agreed to contact some cities currently using the program and have the city attorney look over the contract and put the item back on the next regular agenda for final discussion.

Sandra and Jimmy Hyatt met with the council again to discuss the city's well field next to the property on FM 880. The Mayor informed the Hyatts that the city has stopped the citizens from hauling brush to the property and the city intends to chip what brush they can and to burn the rest of the brush when we receive enough rain to make it safe for burning. The city also intends to contact Sammy Gardner to see if he is interested in cutting some of the trees along the property line to help cut a fire lane along the perimeter. By general consent the council agreed to table the discussion until the next meeting.

Gosnell informed the council that the bridge project is almost complete. The project still needs concrete wings poured up to the bride, the new sign has been ordered and lighting for the bridge will be done in the near future. Following is a list of donors: Barr Fabrication, donated all the steel for the construction of the bridge; Scott Byrd donated numerous hours of labor; Jacob & Martin donated engineering fees; KLH Oil & Gas donated heavy equipment to move the bridge; First Choice \$2,000 lighting grant; Allied Waster \$1,500; Barbarian Festival Committee \$1,000; Bo and Sandra Barr \$2,000; Jeff McCoy \$1,000; AMA TechTel \$1,000; John Hanke \$1,000; AEP \$2,000; Debbie Gosnell \$1,000; CPMK \$1,500; and Texas Heritage Bank \$1,000.

Gosnell also informed the council that the renovations at the community center should be completed this week. The parking lot has been sealed, the landscaping around the center is complete, the kitchen and bathrooms have been painted, new doors installed, new counters and counter tops installed in both the men and women's restrooms and the kitchen counter tops are

Thursday of this week. Once installed, all renovations will be complete.

Although not on the agenda, Bob Pipes, asked the council to consider allowing him to volunteer his time as chaplain of the police department. He would be on call for any type of emergency where individuals needed some type of counseling services or other spiritual needs. He would be available to go to family members where accidents or deaths have occurred with the police officer. The council agreed that it was a great idea and instructed Gosnell to check with the City's insurance about liability as well as how to proceed.

Cassle moved to go into executive session at 7:50 p.m. Walker seconded and motion carried.

Overview of applicants for assistant cook position for the Senior Citizens Center.

Cassle moved to return to open meeting at 8:35 p.m. Fortune seconded and motion carried.

Walker moved to hire Vivian Wooten as Assistant Cook for the Senior Citizens Center. Strickland seconded and motion carried.

Also not on this agenda, Colby Walker asked to be placed on the next regular agenda for the consideration of moving the November and December 2011 and January and February 2011 meetings from the second Tuesday to the second Monday of the above mentioned months. By general consent the council agreed to put Walker's request on the next regular meeting.

Walker moved to adjourn. Kirkham seconded and motion carried.

Colby Walker, Mayor
ATTEST:

Debbie Gosnell, Secretary

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Cross Plains Public Library Announces New Hours

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Tuesday 11:00 a.m. - 7 p.m.
Wednesday 1:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.
Thursday 1:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.
Friday - CLOSED ALL DAY.
 In the recent PEARL

(Promoting and Enhancing the Advancement of Rural Libraries) surveys, which were distributed to the public in March and April, our citizens asked for more convenient hours, specifically to be open over the lunch hour and to be open in the evening.

Since the library can only be open 20 hours a week, the board

of directors decided to adjust the hours on Tuesday to accommodate these needs and to close on Friday. "Friday is typically our slowest day, so we borrowed those hours and extended our Tuesdays," says Linda Burns, Library Director.

Patrons, be sure to mark your calendars for the new hours!

Centennial Planning Committee Announces Centennial Parade

Mark your calendars for the biggest parade of the century—**Saturday, September 24, 10:00 in the morning.** Being organized by the Centennial Planning Committee, the parade promises to be an exciting part of the day-long culmination of the year-long Centennial of Cross Plains on the existing site.

For the past six and half months, our community has celebrated our history of faith, education, business, agri-business and cultural pursuits—all under a Centennial slogan of **Cross Plains, community of faith, hope and pride**."

We've enjoyed trivia contests, old-fashioned days at church, numerous meals, quilt shows, performances by the Centennial Singers and Players, special programs at the library; we've

produced special books and displays, bought dozens of nifty commemorative t-shirts to wear and we've made lots of trips down memory lanes.

Yet to come is the dinner theatre revolving around a fictitious murder in a fictitious setting—all produced by the Cross Plains Public Library and the mystery picture contest sponsored by Project Pride.

Now it's time to start planning for a slam bang finish—with all the creative hoopla we can collectively think up. Already committed to being in the parade is the Cisco College and the family living class at CPHS; we know of a bright burnt orange Corvette coming from Dallas and a fancy horse-drawn wagon coming from Abilene.

There will be lots and lots of

room for all kinds of safe entries. We invite all riding groups, bands, dance groups, singing groups, special interest groups, old cars, motorcycles and tractors, clowns, Scouts, 4-wheelers, go-carts and bicycles of all sizes.

Just think about all those riding lawn mowers that have been inactive all summer—sounds like the makings of a very unique "drill team".

We know there are some absolutely delightful "red hat ladies" in the area who would really add a touch of class to the day!!

When we remember our past, think about our present and dream about our future—we can really put together the "Parade of the Century".

Submitted by
 Arlene Stephenson

Applications Needed for Helping Hearts and Hands

If you are a homeowner and your home is in need of minor repairs: painting, plumbing, insulation and caulking. The Cross Plains Area Housing Initiative would like to extend a hand to assist you.

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Applications are available now

at the Senior Citizens Center, Texas Heritage Bank and the City Hall.

The application deadline will be at the end of September and if you need any assistance filling out the application, please call Pat Stephens at 254-725-6819.

This a worthwhile community project that has been in actio since 1998. Volunteers will be needed

once again to complete these projects, so be looking for a date to be set in the fall of the year.

We are excited and looking forward to this year's endeavor. If you have any questions or would like more information, please call Pat Stephens at 254-725-6819 or Roxie Thomas 254-725-6141.

Submitted by
 Pat Stephens

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BBQ Cookoff judging will be Saturday, following a parade. Vendor space available and Washer and Horseshoe Contests will be held. Other events will be announced soon.

Another highlight will be a **Bullfighting Competition** with added monies.

Visit the website at www.mayrodeoassociation.com or call Tracy 325-200-3484 or Lavelle 325-330-2781.

Barb's Cues

By Barbara Holmes Worcester

MASTER OF SOLUTIONS

"There are no problems, only solutions." Unknown

Without a doubt, this has been the most difficult few years of my life. A small crisis within our home has pierced our otherwise comfortable existence, and yet, even in the turmoil, light has overcome darkness.

During the onset of our struggle I was angry, frustrated and felt overwhelmed. "Why us. God? Why us?" I would ask, and although my answer did not come as immediately as I would have preferred, the Lord did reply later by shouting the truth. This truth was the knowledge that there is no such thing as early perfection, and each and every human being will face adversity at some time in their life. However, God is greater than any problem.

Whether it is sickness, disease, relationship struggles, or some other hardship, our life journey will never be perfect because perfection is only found in the Divine. Along with the beauty of laughs and smiles will be the sting of painful tears, disappointments and shattered dreams. Relationships may fail and jobs may fall through, yet will we allow those bumps along the path to alter our ability to possess peace and joy?

The answer, my dear friends, is no. How we perceive crisis when it occurs can either make or break our peace of mind as well as affect the outcome of the situation. As the above quote conveys, nothing is really a problem because there will always be solutions.

The greatest lesson I have learned this year is a phrase adopted by Alcoholics Anonymous, "Let go and let God." The most successful solution to any problem we may face, no matter how large or small, is to trust in God.

As we act to resolve problems, we should never go at it alone, but to lay the issue in the hands

of the Lord, knowing that where our earthly abilities may be limited, He alone is able to do all things! While man may tell us a situation is hopeless, with God there is always hope!

And so, after doing everything possible to resolve my family's personal crisis on my own, I remembered my faith in God, and began to cleave to the Lord in a way that I had never before surrendered in trust. Daily I pray about the matter, and then I hand the matter over to God, knowing that I have done my part, and now it is time for Him to take over.

As hard a period as this has emotionally been, it has ironically also been the richest in wisdom. No longer do I feel overwhelmed by the problems, because I know that all the worry in the world will not help resolve the matter, and in fact, will only add to my own emotional distress.

Today, I encourage you to hand any problems you may be facing over to the capable arms of the Lord. Feel the peace and freedom which follows the leap of faith, and know that God is the Master of miraculous solutions.

By Melanie Schurr
God's Work Ministries

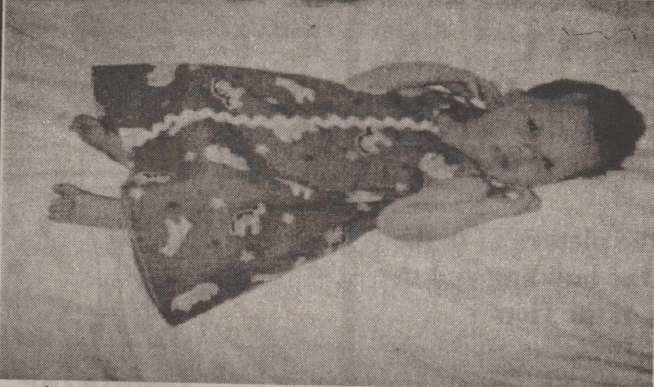
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Combine all ingredients except nuts in top of double boiler. Place over simmering water and stir until smooth. Add nuts and mix. Spread candy quickly in buttered 9x5 inch pan. Cool, cut into squares. Yield: 2 dozen pieces.

Priscilla Jordan

It's A Girl



The Wheeler Family would like to announce the arrival of the newest baby sister

Poppy-Anne Amy Elaine

Poppy was born to Russell and April on Friday, July 1, 2011 at 3:39pm. She weighed 6 lbs. 2 oz. and was 19 3/4" long. Her brothers and sisters are Aaron, Alexander, Archer, Abigail, Able and Anthony...Abigail being the most excited as she's not the only girl anymore! Maternal grandparents are Kenneth and Jeannie Foller of Cross Plains and Paternal grandparents are Charles Wheeler and Sandy Sharp and Great-grandmother, Pauline Smith, all of Abilene.

It's A Girl!



Jocelyn Lian Willcockson

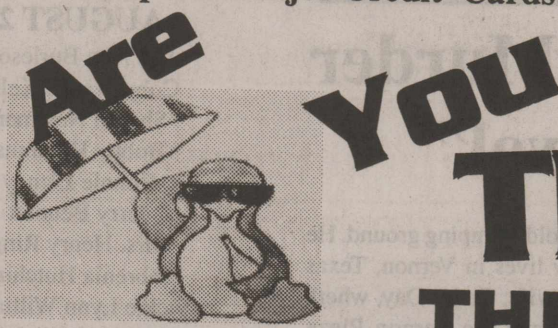
She was born July 12, 2011. Jocelyn weighed 6 lbs. 4 oz. and was 19 inches long.



Parents are Lori Hail Willcockson and Brian Joseph Willcockson. Brian is the son of Carol and Russ Hayward of Abilene and Jerry Willcockson of Ispilant, Michigan. Grandparents Dianne and Emmanuel Alvertas, along with David and Beth Gail from Rockwall, Texas and Bobbie Wright Johnson of Cross Plains.

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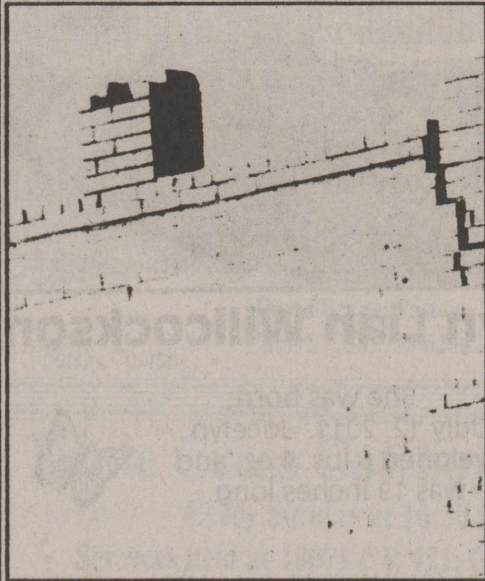
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Mark Finn Joins Cast of "Murder at the Barbarian Festival"

Author Mark Finn, who has entertained many of our citizens during the library's "Meet the Author" series is the final character to be cast (in the role of 'Conan', the barber) in the Cross Plains Public Library's murder mystery supper theatre, "Murder at the Barbarian Festival" to be held on Saturday, September 17, 2011 in the Community Center. Finn was born in Abilene, Texas and began his career as the author and illustrator for Absolute Comics. He has published two novels: *Gods New & Used* and *Year of the Hare*, the first collection of stories revolving

around Sam Bowen. Finn, the creative director for the Violet Crown Radio Players, has written several original scripts to critical acclaim and also adapted novels and short stories to an old time radio format, most notably "The Adventure of Sailer Steve Costigan" and "King Kong". Since 1995, Finn has been a regular attendee of the annual Robert E. Howard Days and is now considered to be a scholar in the field. Over the years, he has brought approximately 30 people to Cross Plains in the interest of showing them his favorite

author's old stomping ground. He currently lives in Vernon, Texas with his wife, Cathy Day, where they manage the Vernon Plaza Theatre. Supper for the audience is being prepared by Connie Kirkham and her crew and will begin at 6 p.m. Tickets are \$15 and will go on sale in two weeks. Mark your calendars to join us this fun-filled evening and watch next week when we address your questions about how the murder mystery supper will work. Submitted by Michelle Kaiser

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Love Fund Established for Lavon Haney

A Love Fund has been established for Lavon Haney of Cross Plains at the Texas Heritage Bank. Lavon has been diagnosed with Lou Gehrig's Disease in December and is in need of assistance with medical expenses. She has no medical insurance to help with this devastating disease.

If you would like to help, please make donations at the Texas Heritage Bank or send them to: Texas Heritage Bank P.O. Box 699 Cross Plains, TX 76443. Your kind generosity would be greatly appreciated by Lavon and her family. Please pray for her during this difficult time, also.

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