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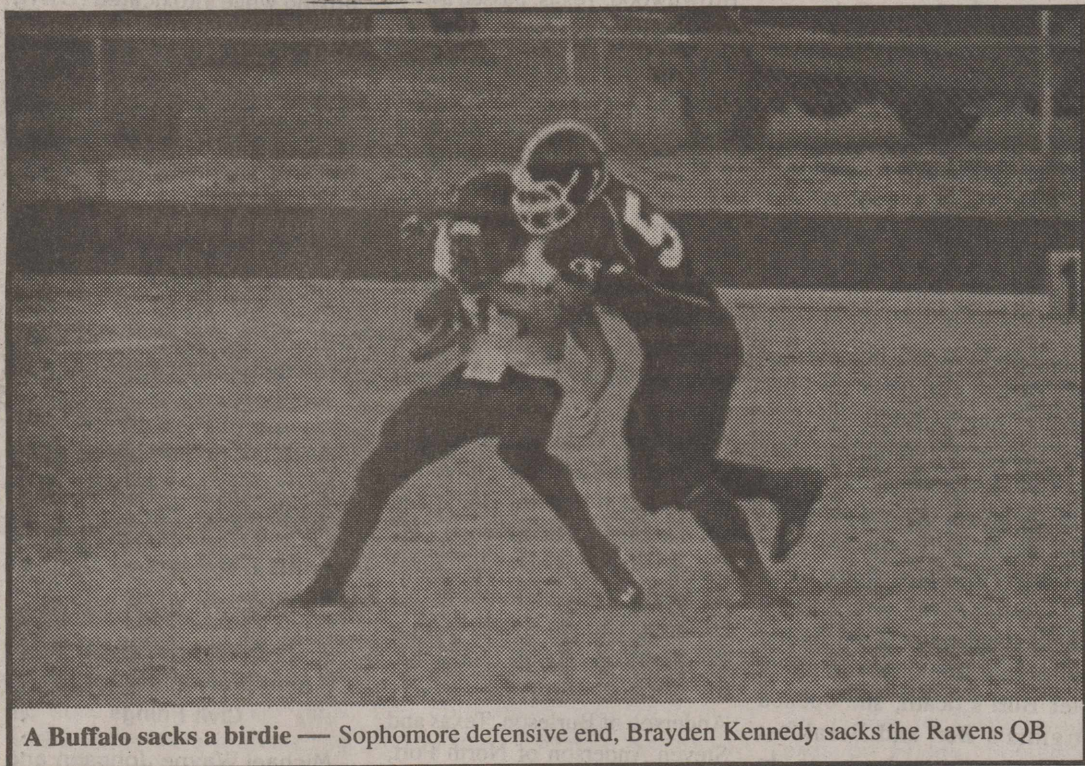


A Community of Faith,
Hope and Pride

105th YEAR

CROSS PLAINS, CALLAHAN COUNTY, TEXAS 76443

NUMBER 28



A Buffalo sacks a birdie — Sophomore defensive end, Brayden Kennedy sacks the Ravens QB

Cross Plains Buffalo News Update: 34-0 Shut Out Buffaloes WIN!!!

The Cross Plains Buffaloes got their first win of the season Friday night at Buffalo Stadium. They did so in fashion and quickly as the Buffaloes surged to a 28-0 first quarter lead. Sophomore, quarterback, Phoenix Sanders added the first points on the board, as he rushed in from eight yards out just a little over three minutes into the quarter. Josh Branch's PAT attempt was good to make it 7-0 with 8:35 to play in the first quarter. After a forced punt, the Buffaloes would strike again, this time on a 22 yard run by senior, Colton McWilliams. Branch's kick was true to make it 14-0. On the ensuing kickoff, junior, Korbin McLean caused a fumble and Kiefer Steinle recovered. Seconds later, McWilliams was in the end zone again, this time on

the receiving end of a pass from Sanders from 18 yards out. Branch's kick again was good, giving the Buffaloes a 21-0 lead over Abilene with 6:23 to play in the quarter. The Buffaloes defense was solid again forcing a punt, and the offense would put touchdowns on the board in consecutive drives on a 2 yard run and a 44 yard run by fullback, Justin Willis, to make it 34-0. The score would stay, as the Buffaloes' defense pitched their first shut out of the season. Defensively, the Buffaloes were led by Josh Branch who tallied 5 tackles, all for a loss, and one sack. Defensive back, Korbin McLean, followed with 4 solo stops, and a forced fumble. Dalton Gilliam, had a good night leading all tacklers in special

teams tackles. The win puts the Buffaloes at 1-2 on the season as they are open this week to get ready for the Gorman Panthers in the district opener on September 27th.

Score by Quarters:
CP 28 6 0 0 34
Abilene 0 0 0 0 0

Individual Stats:
Rushing--
Willis--4 carries, 77 yards, 2 TD's
Laminack--9 carries, 91 yards
Sanders--6 carries, 22 yards, 1 TD
McWilliams--1 carry, 22 yards, 1 TD
Partin--4 carries, 3 yards
Arner--9 carries, 29 yards
Passing--
Sanders--1 for 1, 18 yards, 1 TD
Receiving--
McWilliams--1 reception, 18 yards, 1 TD

See additional photos Page 4

Buffalo Football!

This week there will be no game as this is our bye week but be ready for Friday, September 27th as the Buffaloes take on the Gorman Panthers.



Community Wide Sale Offers "Hunting Season"

The "hunt" is on! Not just for dove or quail or deer. If you love to hunt for good bargains and/or unique items, such as a leather love seat, a circular saw, even an antique plow, then plan on finding them at the Community Wide Sale on Saturday, October 5. You can also find a bread making machine (used only twice), a queen headboard, and hand painted birds by Watson Hudson. How's that for unique?

In just a little over two weeks everyone will know that Fall has arrived because the Annual Community Wide Sale will be in full swing in and around Cross Plains. The local chapter of Beta Sigma Phi (BSP) is sponsoring the annual event and will have maps and addresses of all the garage and yard sales in town.

The sorority's sale, along with the maps, will be located on Hwy 36 at the Robert E Howard House Pavilion. So, if you are wanting any of the above items or others too numerous to list, you must start with a map to find your treasure.

If you want to join in by having a sale, please contact Wanda Merryman at 725-0055. Fees are \$4.00 for individual sales, or \$6.00 for organizations. BSP will provide all publicity in local newspaper, Brownwood and Abilene Community Calendars, and also in the American Classifieds. Proceeds from the BSP sale are used for scholarships. If you have an item to donate to the BSP sale, let Wanda know.



1ST PLACE TEAM— MCWILLIAMS RANCH, CROSS PLAINS, TX— CODY TAYLOR, DAVID MAYS (TURKEY CREEK CLUB PRESIDENT) MCWILLIAMS AND JODY GERNGROSS.

More TCRC Rodeo pictures on Page 11

Turkey Creek Rodeo Club Memorial Ranch Rodeo

The 4th Annual Turkey Creek Rodeo Club Memorial Ranch Rodeo was held on Saturday, September 14, 2013 at the arena in Cross Plains. There was a great crowd, a great time, and many participants in all of the events!

The night started off with a crowd favorite - the Mutton Bustin! Kids ages 8 and under participated and entertained the crowd, while Cross Plains native Tyler Mackey took home the buckle.

Immediately following the Mutton Bustin' was the grand entry led by Mackenzie Byrd of Cross Plains carrying the American Flag and Shelby McWilliams of Cross Plains carrying the Texas Flag. Sponsor flags were carried by Mackenzie Williams and Casey Jo Stevens of Cisco, and Hannah King, Haylee King, and Alaina Potter, all of Cross Plains.

During the half time break, the crowd was taken on a "Magic Carpet Ride" — one cowboy rides a horse (full speed) to the

center of the arena and circle a pole and comes back to the starting line while pulling another cowboy on a "magic carpet" (small rug). The fastest time in this event won a cash prize. The team of Scott Mackey and Cody Hyles took home the green stuff!

The final event of the night was another fan favorite the Shetland Bronc Riding for kids ages 6 - 12.

Tanner Sargent was the 1st place buckle winner with a score of 81 points.

13 teams participated in the traditional ranch rodeo events. Teams were able to win money for taking 1st place in an event, as well as cash and prizes for the top three overall winners. The first event was the Team Sorting won by Callaway Cattle Company from Baird — team captain — Russell Sperry, members Kenny Callaway, Kylan Reynolds, and Logan Allumbaugh. Next event was the Mugging, Finley Ranch took

first place — team captain Josh Gibson, members Kenny Callaway, Taylor Smith, and Joe Stoker. The third event of the night and another big fan favorite was the Wild Cow Milking, which was won by the McWilliams Ranch of Cross Plains — team captain John Fred McWilliams, members Cody Taylor, Jody Gerngross, and Wes Ashlock.

Finally, the final event of the rodeo, the Doctoring was won by Gerngross Ranch of Baird — team captain Jody Gerngross, members Tom Merryman, Wes Ashlock, and Bubba Wilson.

Overall Results:
1st Place: McWilliams Ranch, Cross Plains, TX— Custom Buckles.
2nd Place: Gerngross Ranch, Baird, TX— Saddle Blankets.
3rd Place: Finley Ranch, Baird TX— Ropes
Top Hand Award: A.P. Jones— Custom Knife
Top Horse Award: Chad Townson, Saddle Pad.

ASPIRE Donations

Cross Plains Elementary and Resource Care are still needing donations (tax deductible) to help with the cost of the ASPIRE program. This program is held after school to help certain students with their education. All donations go directly to the costs of the program. Donations can be sent to:
ResourceCare
ATTN: Cross Plains ASPIRE
PO Box 2435
Albany, TX 76430

Thank you.
Jeremy Williams-Principal
Cross Plains Elementary

Hunters Feed Scheduled November 2

It is that time of year again! The Hunters Feed is fast approaching! The date is Saturday, November 2, 2013. We are in need of donations for Door Prizes! Hats, knives, game cameras, gift cards, chairs, deer corn, flash lights, this list is just a few of the donations we received last year! This is a

Clyde PD looking for Hit-and-Run Suspect

The Clyde Police Department is asking for the public's help in locating a suspect involved in a hit-and-run incident in which a pedestrian was injured. On Friday, September 13, 2013, at around 8:00 a.m., a vehicle struck a female pedestrian as she walked on Sunset Dr., near Warren Ave. The vehicle that struck the victim then left the scene. The victim suffered head injuries and was transported by Citizen's EMS to Hendrick Medical Center.

She was released later that day.

A witness to this incident described the vehicle as a white, two-door car, possibly an early 2000's model Pontiac Sunfire, or Chevrolet Cavalier. The vehicle may have damage along the right side. Chief Robert Dalton encourages anyone with information about this incident to contact the Clyde Police Department at (325) 893-4111.

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Community Wide Sale	5
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CHURCH DIRECTORY

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

Pioneer Baptist Church

Pastor:

Dwaine Clowers
254-725-6268

Sunday School....10:00 am

Sunday Morning Worship....11:00 am

Sunday Evening Worship....6:00 p.m.

Wednesday Prayer Service....7:00 p.m.

Music Director: Barbara Jo Medley

Living Water Ministries Fellowship

Restoring And Equipping The Saints

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

Pastor Max Evans

For Information Call (254) 725-7418

Rowden Baptist Church

Pastor: Wayne Lenz

Music: Karen Lenz & Diane Woods

Bible Study...10:00 am

Sunday Morning Worship...11:00 am

2990 Highway 36 at Rowden 12 Miles West of Cross Plains

COTTONWOOD BAPTIST CHURCH

Sunday School9:45 AM

Morning Worship.....11:00 AM

Ministry Activities

Youth Meet at Pool House.....6:30PM

Thomas Estes, Pastor

Gregg Steidle, Youth Pastor

Friendly Church Church (254) 725-6266 Bible Teaching

First United Methodist Church

Kevin Morton, Pastor

Office 725-7377

Sunday School

9:30 a.m.

Parsonage

325-624-5634

Sunday Worship

10:45 a.m.

1000 North Main Street

www.gbmg-umc.org/crossplains/

First Presbyterian Church

SUNDAY SERVICE 9:00 AM

MUSIC- CONNIE SWIFT

LEAD SINGERS: 4HIS GLORY

Pastor Kathy Monroe

208 N. Ave. D

CROSS PLAINS CHURCH OF CHRIST

433 North Main Street

Cross Plains, Texas 76443

Minister: RICK AUSTIN

SUNDAY:

Morning Worship: 10:45 A.M.

Bible Class: 9:45 A.M.

Evening Worship: 6:00P.M.

Wednesday: Evening: 7:00P.M.

Ladies Class - Wednesday:

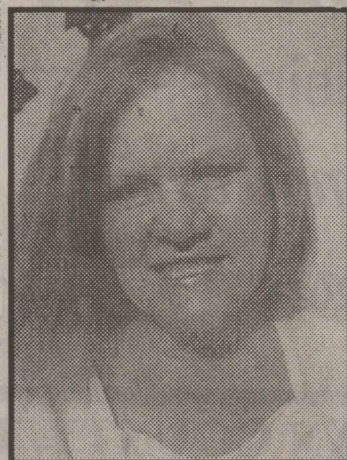
10:00A.M. (at the church activity

center on East Hwy 36)

Office: (254-725-6117)

Cell Phone: Rick - (918) 348-6859

OBITUARIES



Lee Anna (Chalk) Whitten

Lee Anna (Chalk) Whitten, age 65, after a lengthy battle with cancer was called home Monday, September 16, 2013 in Stephenville. Funeral services will be held Friday, September 20, 2013 at the First Baptist Church in Rising Star, with Sue Skidmore officiating. Burial will follow in the Blake Cemetery. Visitation will be Friday, September 20th prior to the service.

She was born on January 18, 1948 in Gorman to Donald and Berna Lee (Chick) Chalk. She was an educator and taught school in Breckenridge, where she also attended The People Church. Lee Anna was a concert pianist; she quilted, as well as being an accomplished poet, and loved spending time with her grandchildren.

Survivors include her daughter, Davanna Whitten of Stephenville; son, Don Whitten and fiancée Crisy Ogle of Stephenville; sisters, Paula Carpenter of Rising Star and Wanda King of New Ulm, Texas; 7 grandchildren and 2 great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents and a sister, Donna Priest.

Dr. J.O. Jolly, Jr.

J.O. Jolly, Jr. 88, of Eastland, passed away Wednesday, September 4, 2013 in Eastland. Funeral services were held at 2:00 p.m. Sunday, September 8, 2013 at the First Baptist Church with Dr. Shawn Brewer officiating. Burial followed in the Eastland City Cemetery.

Dr. Jolly was born on November 17, 1924 in Fort Worth to Jephtha Osceola Jolly, Sr. and Cora Edith Saxon. The son of a Baptist minister, he lived in various places and graduated high school in 1942 in Dangerfield, Texas. He was attending Junior College when drafted, where he served in the Army Air Corp from April 1943 until October 1945 during which time he was held captive in Germany for almost a year. After the war he returned home and attended Baylor University and the Baylor University School of Dentistry in Dallas, graduating in December, 1950. He married Rubye Lee Tackett on April 8, 1950 in Stephenville. He practiced dentistry in Eastland from 1951 to 1995. He was a member and Deacon of the First Baptist Church where he most recently has been the Sunday School teacher for the special needs adults class for about 30 years. He had been a member of the Lions Club and Rotary Club. He was also a member of the ADA and TDA.

He was preceded in death by three sisters.

Survivors include his wife, Rubye Lee Jolly of Eastland; a son Allan Wayne Jolly and wife Anne of Castle Rock, CO; two daughters, Jan Trout and husband Terry of Eastland and Christy Luecke of Abilene; a sister Helen Taylor of Longview; 7 grandchildren, Emily McComack and husband Jason of San Antonio, Sara Parsons and husband Shane of Weatherford, Leann and Sarah Luecke of Abilene, Brooke Marolt and husband Miles of Denver, CO and Cameron and Ryan Jolly of Castle Rock, CO; and 5 great-grandchildren.

Memorials may be made to State and Lottie Moon Missions at the First Baptist Church in Eastland, 405 S. Seaman St., Eastland, TX 76448.

Virginia (Edington) Baker

Virginia Ruth Edington Baker, age 91, passed away Friday, August 30, 2013 in Mesquite, Texas. She was born October 10, 1921 southwest of Cross Plains in Callahan County parents, Dewey Edington and Alice Mae Godwin Edington. She grew up in Coleman County and graduated from Burkett High School, later attending college at Texas Women's University.

She married Arthur Burl Baker on August 31, 1941 in Coleman, Texas. They lived briefly in Arizona before returning to Coleman County to farm and ranch. In 1947 they purchased land in Shackelford County moving to Albany where she lived for 58 years. During her 47 year marriage, Virginia worked every day with her husband, Burl, farming and taking care of their cattle. Virginia was a homemaker and an active member of the First Baptist Church of Albany. She was a docent at The Old Jail Museum, a member of the Study Club, Garden Club and many other community organizations. Her days in Albany were filled with church, family, her boy's activities, entertaining friends and ministering to others. In 1989, after Burl's death, she opened Virginia's Bed and Breakfast inviting guests into her home. In 2005 she moved to the Christian Care Center in Mesquite to be near her grandchildren and great-grandchildren. Many of her guests became lifelong friends and continued to visit Virginia.

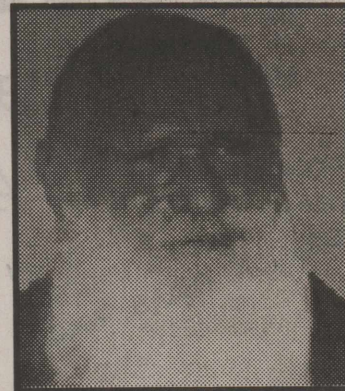
She attended Eastern Hills Baptist Church and Lake Point Church. With her happy outgoing nature she quickly made friends at church and in the Christian Care community.

Survivors include two sons Kenneth and wife Cara of Rockwall and Scott and wife Bobetta of Salem, AR; grandchildren Amy Baker and husband Gary Landis of San Francisco, CA, Anna Baker and husband Jason Dwire of Rockwall, Jonathan Baker and wife Ashley of Springdale, AR; Dr. David Baker and wife Meagan of Springdale, AR; great-grandchildren: Tori, Duncan, Elliott, Jonah Kai, Jack, Brooklyn and Brennan; sister-in-law Billie Patterson, nieces Treca and Malecia and nephew Eddie.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Burl Baker, parents and one brother, Bill H. Edington.

Services were held Saturday, September 7, 2013 at First Baptist Church of Albany. Private interment was in the Albany Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to the Family Life Center Fund, First Baptist Church of Albany; or Visiting Nurses Association of Texas.



Stanley Gray Anderson

Stanley Anderson, 69, of Brownwood, Texas, passed away on Wednesday, September 4, 2013, at his home in Brownwood.

Stanley Gray Anderson was born in Little Rock, Arkansas on September 29, 1944, to James L. Anderson and Mildred Gray Anderson and grew up in Chico, Texas.

Stanley retired from the City of Arlington in 2005 and was an avid motorcycle rider with a tremendous love for the great outdoors.

Memorial services will be held at a later date under the direction of Netherton Funeral Home and Cremations in Brownwood. He leaves behind his beloved wife of 46 years, May Anderson; his children, Cheryl Evans of Fort Worth, Texas, Cyndi Haapapuro of Eustis, Florida, Marty Anderson of Burleson, Texas and Steven Anderson of North Port, Florida; eight wonderful and loving grandchildren; Davin, Brittani, Clay, Mitchell, Shannon, Gray, Riley and Aydan; four great grandchildren; Chloe, Peyton, Conner and Carson.

He also leaves behind his mother, Mildred Anderson of Chico, and siblings, Andy Anderson of Jacksboro, Kenneth Anderson of Mesquite, Jane Hollingsworth of Carrollton, Stuart Anderson of Commerce and Wayne Anderson of Arlington.

He is preceded in death by his father, James Anderson and a sister, Shirley Anderson Sanders.

Friends and family members are invited and encouraged to sign the online guestbook at www.nethertonfuneralhome.com.

SHERIFF'S CORNER

By Terry Joy
Callahan County Sheriff

Last spring, letters were mailed to residents of Callahan County inviting citizens to become an associate member of the Sheriff's Association of Texas. Many of you accepted that invitation and joined the association.

Other members of the Sheriff's Association and I want to thank you for your support and willingness to be a part of our organization.

Through the support of our associate members, we are able to award scholarships to members of law enforcement families, honor fallen officers through the Lost Lawman Memorial, provide training and legal/technical information to officers from around the state, and develop new programs for the future.

Thanks once again for your support of our state organization as well as the local law enforcement agencies.

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CALLAHAN COUNTY COURTHOUSE NEWS

**Callahan County Court
Roger Corn, presiding**

Misdemeanor Filings

Sanjo Flores Nunez possession of marijuana, less than 2 oz.

Thomas Michael Goldsmith, driving while intoxicated (DWI)

Misdemeanor Minutes

Lana K. Murphy, plea of guilty to theft by check, 90 days in jail, \$100 fine, \$314 court costs.

Bruce A. Cooper, motion to revoke probation and adjudicate granted.

Sam L. Moreau, order amending conditions of probation granted.

Joe Bob Powers, motion to revoke probation granted.

Misti D. Rollins, motion to revoke probation and adjudicate granted.

Clint E. Coats, motion to dismiss to possession of dangerous drug granted for plea to other case.

42nd District Court

John Weeks, presiding

Civil Filings

Michael Wayne Johnson and Joylin Tarun Johnson, divorce.

State of Texas vs. Cullen Coolman, application for writ of habeas corpus seeking bail reduction.

Blake Fulerwider CDJ, LTD vs. Texas Department of Motor Vehicle, suit for title

Civil Minutes

Ashley Smith and Justin Smith, divorce granted.

Criminal Minutes

Terry Seals, plea of guilty to possession of a controlled substance, 2 year probation, \$750 fine, \$354 court costs, \$140 restitution.

Eddie R. Watkins, plea of guilty to tampering with evidence, 2 year probation, \$750 fine, \$294 court costs.

Manuel Longoria, plea of guilty to DWI, 3 year in prison, \$419 court costs.

Cody Lee W. Hyles, plea of guilty to DWI, 5 year probation, \$1000 fine, \$454 court costs, \$60 restitution.

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First Baptist Church

Sunday Morning

10:45 a.m.

Sunday Evening

6:30 p.m.

Sunday School

9:30

Wednesday

6:30 pm Prayer/Worship

Student & Children Ministries 6:30 p.m.

Ronnie B. White, Pastor

Tim Tolosa, Worship/Discipleship

Jared Huntley/Students

(254) 725-7629 301 N. Main, Cross Plains, TX

76443

www.firstbaptistcp.com

Cottonwood News

Beverly Brown

Do you love wildflowers? The Cross Plains Senior Center is selling a beautiful color calendar with photos of wildflowers. The calendar is dedicated to the late former Cottonwood resident Esther Kerr and has some wonderful photos of Esther on the cover. The wildflower photos are just gorgeous and the calendar will make a wonderful keepsake. Stop by the Senior Center and get yours.

While you're there take a look at the lovely quilt that several of the Cottonwood ladies have quilted on. You are welcome to stop by and quilt or a while on the quilt, whether you're a seasoned quilter or a beginner. Also, at the center, they have a

prize drawing for another quilt. Stop by and see it. You just might win it. It will be given away at the Hunter's Feed on November 2nd.

The Cottonwood Volunteer Fire Control Group has a Barbeque Dinner scheduled for Saturday, October 5th here in Cottonwood at the Cottonwood Baptist Church Fellowship Hall. Come out and enjoy barbeque brisket, ribs and chicken, as well as turkey. Beans, potato salad and dessert are also part of the menu. Proceeds from the dinner go toward the maintenance and upkeep of the firetrucks here in Cottonwood. If you'd like to bake a dessert for the dinner, or donate a food item, please give me a call at 254-725-

7369.

The burn ban is still lifted. Be sure you call the Sheriff's Office and your local fire chief before you burn. That way, they'll know you are doing a "Control Burn" and won't send firetrucks out to extinguish your fire. Here in Cottonwood, give Fire Chief Joe a call at 254-725-7281.

The Cross Plains Community Cancer Fund and Memory Walk is coming up soon on Saturday, October 12th. Seems like everyone's life has been touched by cancer in one way or another. This local group helps local cancer patients with travel expenses. Many Cottonwood folks are always involved with this worthwhile event.

Weight Warriors Meet on Tuesdays

Weight Warriors met Tuesday for their regular weekly meeting. Seventeen were in attendance including six new faces.

Celebrations and upcoming challenges were shared. The celebration bracelet was passed along to a new biggest loser for the week. Completed key rings with charms were presented to two members who have reached their goal weight and are continuing with maintenance.

Topics discussed were

"Embracing Change" and "Dream Catcher". Dream Catcher was a short article reflecting on 9-11.

The marble jar representing pounds lost or gained was also in place. Anyone is welcome to join Weight Warriors. There are no fees, only donations to our local food pantry. Weight Warriors meet every Tuesday at 5:30 p.m. at First United Methodist Church. Join us for weight loss support and encouragement.

Cottonwood Country Musical set for Friday the 27th

The next Cottonwood Country Musical will be Friday, September 27th. After the cancellation of the musical last month, everyone is ready to have a great time.

The menu for the kitchen will be taco salad, with the usual desserts, sandwiches, tea, coffee, and sodas.

The meal will be served at 5 p.m. and the music will begin at 5:30 p.m.

So come to Cottonwood, Texas on Friday, September 27th and be prepared for a fun time.

Love Fund Established for Betty Gartman

A Love Fund has been established for Betty Gartman who passed away Thursday, August 22, 2013 in Abilene, at Texas Heritage Bank. Betty lived in Cross Plains for many years before moving to Abilene due to health issues.

Funds are needed for funeral expenses and your assistance would be greatly appreciated. Please pray for the family during this difficult time.

Our Sincere THANKS to GOD for the Abundant Rain that has brought life back to our land

LIBRARY NOTES

Library Hours

Monday 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.
Tuesday 11:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.
Wednesday 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.
Thursday 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.
CLOSED FRIDAY

September 9-12, 2013

Patrons 102

Books Checked 72

Programs 14
GED 14

Copies 17

Internet 29
WiFi 1

Interlibrary Loans 2

Reference 6

Donations

Bob and Lavonne Childress
Debbie Thomas

Memorials

Etna Goode
In Memory of Larry Reeder

Living Tributes

Kenneth and Ann Beeler
In Honor of Christine Beeler

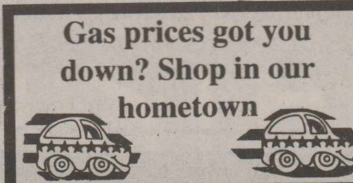
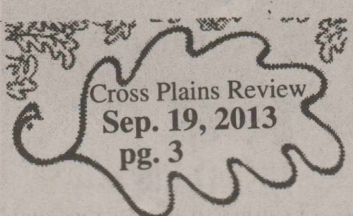
Books and Miscellaneous

Donations

Judy Keel
Blenda Bains

Volunteers

Helen Parson
Polly Beeler
Sue Bennett
Wilma Lawrence
Richard Burns



Senior Citizens Center Activities



SEPTEMBER 23-27, 2013



Monday, 23rd - Exercise 11:00/Blood Pressure Check Encompass

Tuesday, 24th - Exercise 11:00/11:45 Door Prizes Sponsored by Care

Wednesday, 25th - Exercise 11:00/Blood Pressure Check Girling

Thursday, 26th - Exercise 11:00

Friday, 27th - Exercise 11:00/BINGO 11:15 Buffaloes@Gorman

SENIOR CITIZENS MENU



SEPTEMBER 23-27, 2013

Monday - Turkey/Cheese Sandwich/(lett,tom)/Pickle Slices/Chips/Desserts

Tuesday -Steak Fingers w/ gravy/Potatoes/Mixed Vegetables/Bread/Dessert/Drink

Wednesday -BBQ on Bun (pick/onion)/Pinto Beans/ Coleslaw/Dessert/Drink

Thursday -Chef's Salad (turkey/hamLett/tom/cheese)/ Crackers/Dessert/Drink

FRIDAY - King Ranch Casserole/Mexican Corn/Sliced Tom/Cucumbers/Bread/Dessert/ Drink



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

Community Members for Promoting Cross Plains Luncheon

The Cross Plains Chamber of Commerce will be sponsoring a Luncheon for discussion forum on ideas to help promote the City of Cross Plains.

Cross Plains is our "product" How do we market that "product"?

When: Thursday October 3rd, 2013

Where: Jean's Feedbarn.
Time: Lunch 12pm-1pm, Your Dutch Treat. Please call ahead to order.

Build Up Our Current Business Base
Recruit New Business
Recruit Events Committees
Beautification
Recruit Individuals
Housing

Please select one representative from your community group, or business. Open to community individuals also.

Bring your idea's of what you would like to see utilized in our community!

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Sandwiches --(brisket/sausage/chicken).....Sm. or Lg.....\$4.00 & \$5.00
Turkey Legs.....\$6.00
Chips (Lay's or Cheeto's).....\$1.00
Tea & Sodas(coke, diet coke, dr. pepper, diet dr.pepper, pepsi, diet pepsi or sprite)..\$1.79
Peach Cobbler..... 4 oz. \$.99..... pint \$5.00

Plates: (All plates come with 2 Sides)
#1..(1) Meat (1/2 lb)...\$8.99 #2..(2) Meat (3/4 lb)...\$10.99 #3..(3) Meat (1 lb)...\$12.99
Combo Meal #1 - Large BBQ Sandwich, Chips, Drink.....\$6.50
Combo Meal #2 - Small BBQ Sandwich, Chips, Drink.....\$5.50

WATCH for BUBBA'S FAMOUS PINK PIG!!

FAMILY PACK SPECIAL
2 LBS. Meat, 2 Pint Sz. Sides -- \$24.00

By The Pound	Sides	Condiments
Brisket.....\$9.00 lb	Potato Salad, Beans & Cornbread, Coleslaw	Pickles, Onions, Jalapenos, BBQ Sauce, Hot-N-Spicy Sauce and Mustard
Sausage (Hot/Mild).....\$9.00 lb	Single Serving.....\$.99	
Ribs.....\$9.00 lb	1/2 Pint.....\$2.00	
Chicken Breast.....\$5.50 lb	Pint.....\$4.00	

Come on by - 401 E. Ave. A & Hwy 36, Cross Plains (254)270-0040

"The Cross" The Real Tree

Deut. 21:23 Anyone who is hung on a tree is under God's curse.

Galatians 3:13 Christ redeemed us from the curse of the law by becoming a curse for us, for who is hung on a tree is cursed.

Acts 5:30 We must obey God rather than men. The God of our fathers raised Jesus from the dead-- whom you had killed by hanging Him on a tree.

Romans 6:5-14 We have been sanctified because of Jesus Christ's death on the Cross, that we might die to sin and live for righteousness.

Romans 8:13; Acts 10: 39-43; 1 Peter 2:24

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12:00 pm Lunch
12:30 pm Guest Speaker
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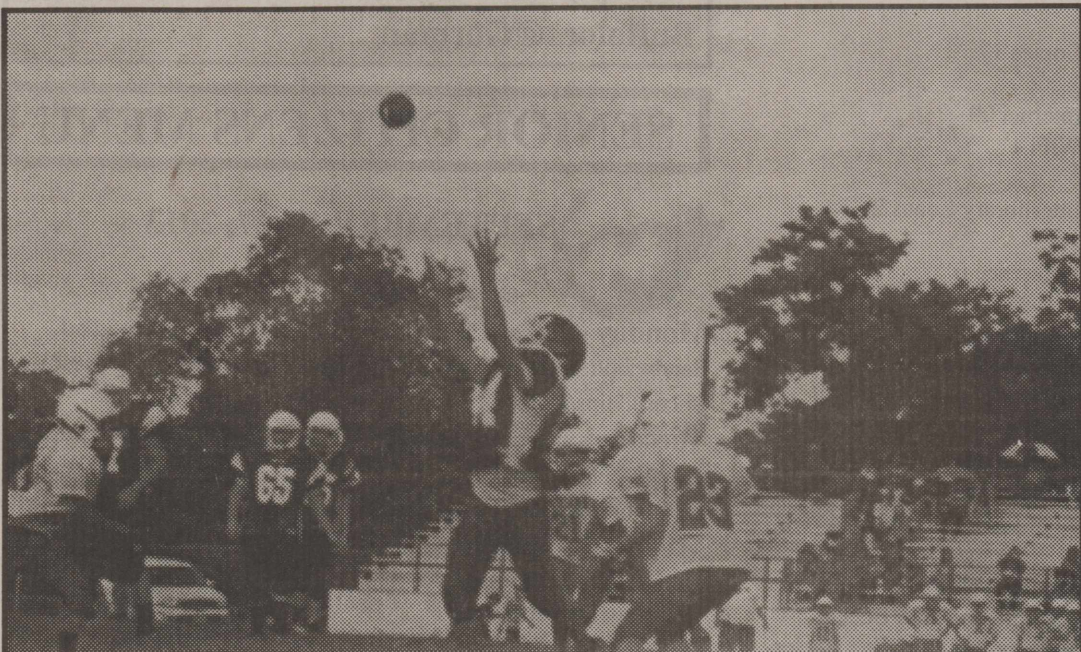
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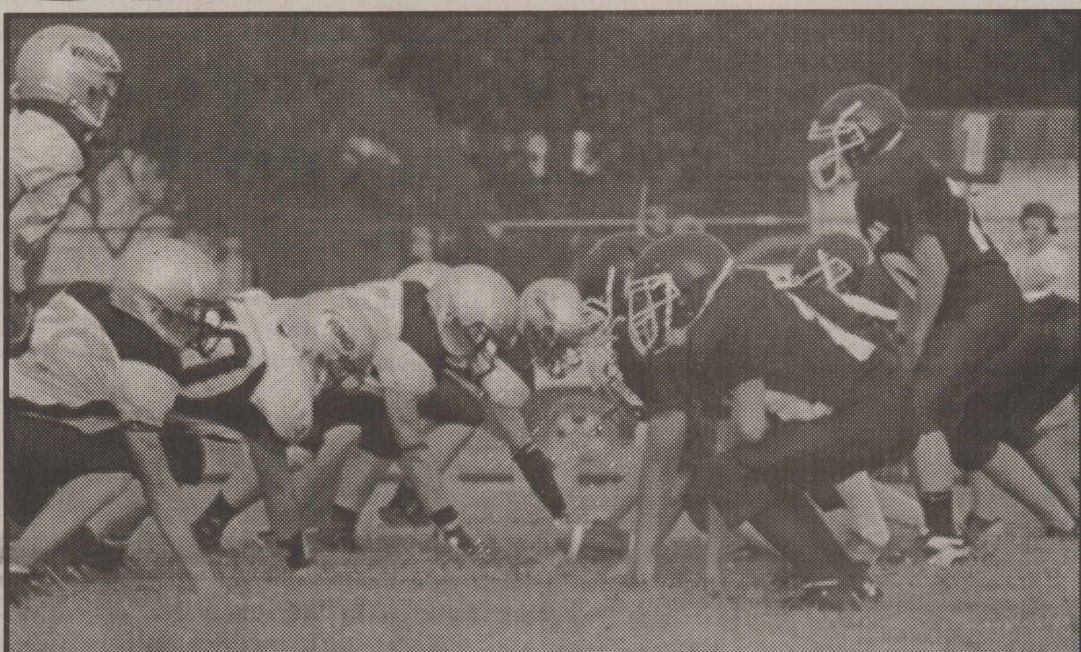
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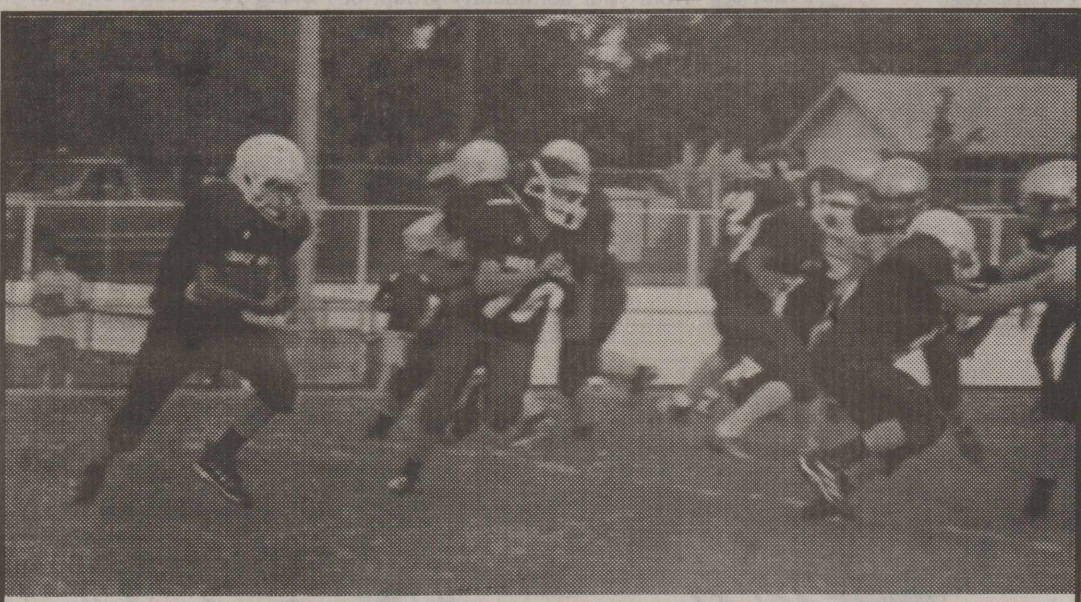
Running for a goal — 7th grade running back, Bryce Petree looks for a crease against Jim Ned



Awesome catch — 7th grader Trent Potter goes up to catch a pass



Perfect starting lineup — 8th grade offense gets set to run a play



Running for a win — 8th grader Creed Goode runs with the football.

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7th and 8th Grade Win Openers

The 7th grade football team hosted the Jim Ned Indians Thursday, September 12th. In their first game of their young career, they pulled off a nail biter 8-6. Paced by Bryce Petree's running, and Trent Potter anchoring the defense, the young Buffaloes were able to hold off the Indians. The score was 0-0 going into the final minute of play, when Bryce Petree found the end zone from his running back position. Full back, Gage Connelly would dive in for the point conversion to make it 8-0, CP. With sixteen seconds on the clock, the Jim Ned quarterback found an open receiver as he went

80 yards for the touchdown. Linebacker, Sterling Switzer intercepted the two point conversion to seal the victory. Riley Potter managed the game well from his quarterback position. It was a great team effort in the Buffaloes' first win of the season.

In the second game of the evening, the 8th grade team faced the Waco Wind. The Buffaloes came out with great intensity and played great defense putting up a shut out in the first half of play. The offense looked good early as well, as Dakota Willis was able to find the end zone from 20 yards out to make it 6-0. Running back,

Creed Goode, would tack on the two point conversion run to make it 8-0. Before the half, quarterback, Kaiden Petree, scrambled for a 40 yard touchdown after his pass routes broke down.

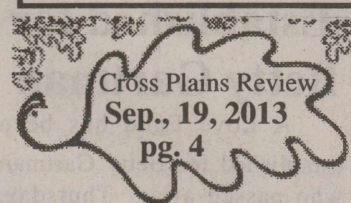
The two point conversion was unsuccessful, bringing the score to 14-0 going into the half. Waco tacked on a touchdown in the third to make it 14-6. That would be the final on the evening as the JH teams swept their opponents. The defensive line played exceptional as Aaron Willis and James Rhyne tallied 3 sacks each, as well as Goode and James Willis getting in on a sack as well.



Buffaloes put a stop to this birdie — Buffalo defenders stop Ravens running back in his tracks



Taking down the Ravens — A herd of Cross Plains players take down Ravens players



SCHOOL BOARD MEETING

A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Cross Plains I.S.D. will be held on September 18, 2013 beginning at 8:00 p.m. in the Board Room. The subjects to be discussed or considered upon which any formal action may be taken are as follows:

- Call Meeting to Order
1. Open Forum
2. New Business
 - A. Approve Minutes from Previous Meetings
 - B. Review Bills/Finance Report
 - C. Consider Purchasing a Used Route Bus for \$12,000
 - D. Approve Professional Development and Appraisal System (PDAS) Calendar for 2013-14
 - E. Review and Approve Investment Policy
 - F. Review and Approve Certified Applicator Policy
3. Superintendent's Report
 - A. Discuss Track Renovation Options
 - B. School FIRST Rating Next Month's Agenda
 - C. Brainstorm Ideas for School Improvement
4. Adjourn.

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Thursday - Sunrise Sandwich, Fruit, Assorted juice, Milk

Friday - Oatmeal Round, Yogurt, Fruit, Assorted juice, Milk

LUNCH

Chicken Quesadilla, Black Beans, Baby Carrots, Salsa, Orange Smiles, Milk

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Taco Salad, Salsa, Seasoned Corn, Snowball Salad, Milk

Chicken & Broccoli, Penne Garden Salad, Baby Carrots, Apple slices, Bread stick, Milk

Pizza, Garden Salad, Fresh Veggie Cup, Mixed Fruit, Milk

Ag Commissioner encourages teachers to nominate promising students for GROW Award by October 1st

AUSTIN — As the 2013 school year gets underway, Agriculture Commissioner Todd Staples reminds teachers, school administrators and community leaders across Texas to nominate promising students for the Texas Department of Agriculture's GROW Award. The award gives Recognition for Outstanding Work to middle and high school student leaders who demonstrate excellence in their pursuits inside and outside the classroom.

"The future of the Lone Star State is in the hands of today's youth," Commissioner Staples said. "Leadership in the classroom, the lab, at home and in the field is vitally important to give students the training and experience needed to remain competitive in today's global job market. We were able to recognize some amazing students last school year, and I look forward to adding more young people to our distinguished list of GROW Award recipients."

The GROW award celebrates outstanding student leaders who demonstrate excellence in their academic or extracurricular activities. The award highlights a student's special interests, service to community and family, strong work ethic, leadership and overall character. Award recipients will receive an official certificate from Commissioner Staples and special recognition on the TDA website. Students can be nominated by community leaders such as teachers, coaches, school administrators, mayors, county judges or anyone else committed to recognizing youth leadership and achievement. A committee will choose a winner each month during the regular school year.

"Many people may not realize there are more than 200 different agriculture-related careers out there for our young people to explore," Commissioner Staples said. "Agriculture today is technically advanced, diverse, efficient and innovative. It takes a close partnership with education to grow the knowledge and skills necessary to produce the clothes we wear, the homes we live in, the food we eat, the medicines that heal us and the energy that powers our lives."

To nominate a promising middle or high school student in your area, visit www.TexasAgriculture.gov. Applications are due Oct. 1, 2013. The first GROW award recipient of the 2013 school year will be announced on Oct. 15, 2013.

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Cross Plains' retail sales in 2013 are 4% higher

The City of Cross Plains' one percent city sales tax payments in 2012 are higher by over four percent, according to the Texas State Comptroller's office.

Texas State Comptroller Susan Combs reported the city's sales tax payment on Wednesday, September 11th.

Cross Plains' 2013 sales tax payments for the year totalled \$165,501.95, which is 4.16 percent higher than the \$158,883.32 in sales tax rebate payments collected in 2012.

The payment to the city for August 2013 was \$18,041.81, which is 8.44 percent lower than the \$19,706.87 payment made in August 2012.

Texas Comptroller Susan Combs said today, Wednesday, September 11th, that state sales tax revenue in July was \$2.39 billion, up 2.1 percent compared to August 2012.

"The latest monthly gains were led by sectors such as construction and the restaurant industry," Combs said. "For the recently ended fiscal year, state sales tax revenue totaled \$25.8 billion, an increase of 7.2 percent from fiscal 2012. Both business and consumer spending contributed to the gains for the year."

Combs distributed \$379.2 million in September 2013 allocations to Texas cities, which is up 3.5 percent from September 2012 and higher by 6.3 percent year-to-date.

She reported \$36.6 million in September 2013 allocations to Texas counties, which is higher by 3.1 percent compared to September 2012 and higher by 6.6 percent year-to-date.

The Texas transit systems received \$128.8 million in September 2013 sales tax allocations, which is 1.9 percent higher than September 2012 and up 6.6 percent year-to-date.

Special Purpose Taxing Districts received \$30.4 million in September 2013 allocations, which is 5.8 percent higher than September 2012 and higher by 11.9 percent year-to-date.

Total sales tax allocations were \$575.0 million in September 2013, which is 2.8 percent higher than September 2012 and up 6.7 percent year-to-date.

The sales tax figures represent monthly sales made in July.

For details of September sales tax allocations to individual cities, counties, transit systems and special purpose districts, locate the Monthly Sales Tax Allocation Comparison Summary Reports on the Comptroller's Web

CROSS PLAINS SALES TAX PAYMENTS		
	2012	2013
Total yearly sales tax payments	\$158,883.32	\$165,501.95
Total monthly sales tax payments	\$19,706.87	\$18,041.81

site at www.window.state.tx.us/taxinfo/allocsum/compsum.html.

Other Callahan County towns reporting sales tax payments include:

—The City of Baird reported that sales tax payments in 2013 started the year 16.17 percent higher than the 2012 payments. The city has received \$107,703.51 in 2013, while the 2012 tax payments to the city totalled \$92,706.08.

Baird's monthly payment for August 2013 was \$16,369.99, which is 53.33 percent higher than the \$10,675.75 payment made in August 2012.

—The 2013 sales tax payments in the City of Clyde are 11.95 percent higher than the payments made to the city in 2012. The sales tax rebates for the City of Clyde have amounted to \$456,467.78 in 2013. The 2012 payments to the city during the same payment period were \$407,731.70.

The City of Clyde's monthly payment for August 2013 was \$51,470.69, which is 21.57 percent higher than the check in August 2012 of \$42,334.88.

—The City of Putnam reported the 2013 payments to the town totalled \$10,385.10, which is lower by 13.07 percent from the 2012 payments to the city in the amount of \$11,946.83.

Putnam's tax payment for the month of August 2012 was \$1,568.17, which is 9.49 percent higher than the \$1,432.16 payment made in August 2012.

—Countywide, sales tax payments for 2013 in Callahan County are higher by 10.24 percent compared to the 2012 payments in the county. Callahan County towns received sales tax payments in 2013 amounting to \$740,058.34 while the 2012 payments to the county towns totalled

\$671,267.93.

The tax rebates in Callahan County for the month of August 2013 was \$87,450.66, which is 9.49 percent higher than the \$74,149.66 payments made in August 2012.

Merchants collect the state and local sales tax and send it to the Comptroller's office with their tax returns. The state keeps its 6 1/4% share and returns the local one percent sales tax each month to the local governments. Cities and counties may levy a combined tax of up to two percent above the state's sales tax.

Clyde businesses collect 2.00%, including one percent for the City of Clyde, one-half of one percent for the Clyde Economic Development Corporation and one half of one percent to reduce property taxes (Proceeds to benefit the Clyde Volunteer Fire Department).

Cross Plains collects 2.00% in local sales taxes, of which 1.00 percent is allocated to the city and 1.00% is allocated for economic development in the town.

Baird collects 2.00% in local sales tax of which 1.00% is allocated to the city, 0.50% is allocated to the community's economic development corporation and 0.50% of one percent to reduce property taxes.

Putnam collects 1.00% in local sales tax of which all 1.00 percent is allocated to the city.

All local sales taxes must be approved by local voters and may be used for any legal city or county expenses. Most areas put the money in their General Fund and use it for normal operations like fire fighting, maintaining roads and law enforcement, the Comptroller said. Some cities use up to an additional one percent of city sales tax to help fund local economic development and to reduce property taxes.

Condensed analyses of Constitutional Amendment Election Proposition #2

Texas voters, including those from Callahan County, will go to the polls Tuesday, November 5th to cast ballots on nine Constitutional Amendment propositions.

Early voting for the 2013 Texas Constitutional Amendment Election will begin on Monday, October 21st at three voting locations in Callahan County. Early voting is taking place at the Callahan County Courthouse located at 100 West 4th Street in Baird, the Clyde Justice of the Peace Office located at 208 Oak Street in Clyde and the Cross Plains Justice of the Peace Office located at 424 South Main in Cross Plains. The last day to vote by early ballot is Friday, November 1st.

The last day to register to vote in this year's Constitutional Amendment Election is Monday, October 7th. The last day to apply for ballot by mail (received, not postmarked, is Friday, October 25th.)

A brief condensed analyses on each of the nine Constitutional Amendments will be published by the Cross Plains Review over the coming weeks. The Condensed Analyses of Proposed Constitutional Amendments on Tuesday, November 5, 2013, Election was prepared by the staff of the Texas Legislature.

requirement for a State Medical Education Board and a State Medical Education Fund, neither of which is operational.

Summary of Proposed Amendment. H.J.R. 79 carries out a decades-old recommendation by the Sunset Advisory Commission and the Legislative Budget Board to repeal a now-obsolete constitutional provision added in 1952 that required the legislature to create a State Medical Education Board, establish a fund, and make appropriations to that fund to be used by that board to provide grants, loans, or scholarships directly to medical students who agree to practice medicine in rural areas of this state. The board was not created until 1973 and, once created, was largely ineffective in serving its purpose of attracting physicians to serve in medically underserved communities. Due to its ineffectiveness, the board has not received state appropriations or issued new loans for more than 20 years, and the legislature has since enacted more effective methods of attracting physicians to serve in rural Texas. In an ongoing effort to remove unnecessary provisions from the Texas Constitution, H.J.R. 79 removes the requirement for the defunct medical education board and its attendant fund.

Summary of Comments Made About the Proposed Amendment. The following paragraphs are based on com-

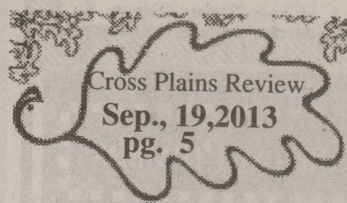
ments made about the amendment during the legislative process and generally summarize the main arguments supporting or opposing the amendment.

Comments by Supporters. The proposed amendment would afford an opportunity to shrink state government by eliminating an obsolete governmental office, streamlining the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board (THECB), and simplifying an ever-expanding state constitution. The objectives and functions of the State Medical Education Board, which were never accomplished with any particular measure of efficiency before the board became obsolete, are now accomplished by other more effective means, and the Sunset Advisory Commission's recent review of the THECB, to which the medical education board has been administratively attached, provides further impetus to finally implementing the decades-old Sunset Advisory Commission recommendation to abolish the medical education board and its attendant fund.

Comments by Opponents. No comments opposing the proposed amendment were made during the house and senate committee hearings or during debate on the amendment in the house and senate chambers. A review of other sources also did not reveal any apparent opposition to the amendment.

Amendment No. 2
(H.J.R. 79)

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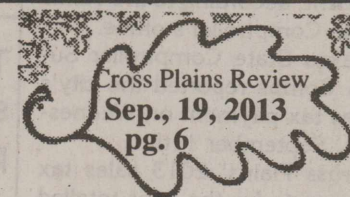
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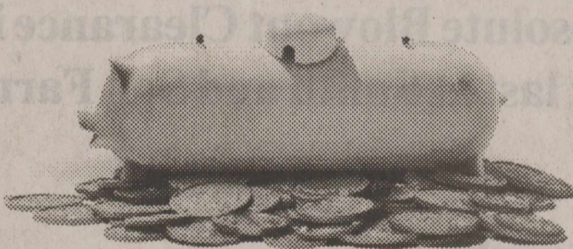
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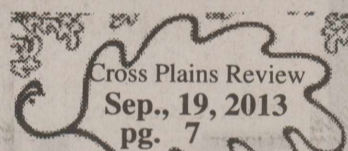
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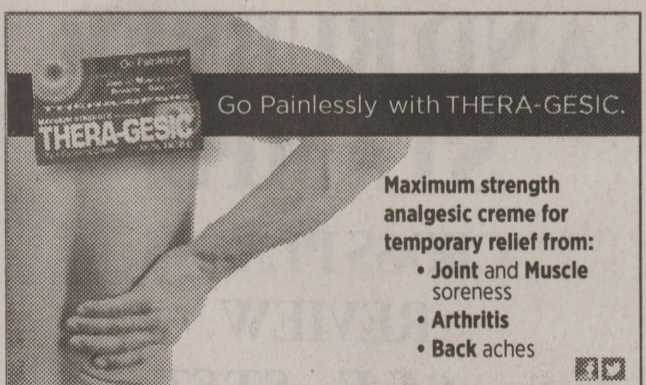
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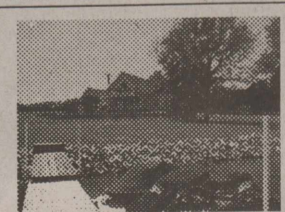
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Nick Barton benefit Golf Tournament

Friends are hosting a benefit golf tournament to help EMS Nick Barton with medical expenses he incurred in a motorcycle accident last month.

The golf tournament will be held Saturday, October 5, 2013.

There will be a shotgun start at 8:00 a.m. at the Lake Sweetwater Municipal Golf Course in Sweetwater, Texas.

The tournament will be a 4

man scramble, cost to enter is \$300.00 per team, \$75.00 per person. Mulligan's 2 for \$10.00.

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Entries must be turned in by September 28, 2013.

If you have any questions or need an entry form please contact Steven Miller at 325-280-1856.

Callahan County Sheriff's Posse to host Hamburger Supper

On Saturday, October 12th at 6:00 p.m. the Callahan County Sheriff's Posse is hosting a membership drive and fundraiser, and extending an invitation to everyone in the area communities to come out and see all the work, cleaning, painting, welding and just general restoration that has been going on at the Rodeo Grounds and arena for the last two years.

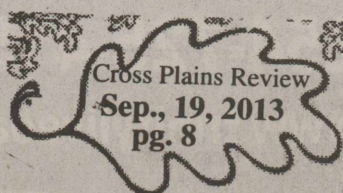
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Second meeting set September 30th in Baird Callahan Co. Historical Commission seeks marker, preservation ideas

Do you know history worthy of a Texas Historical Marker or a historic building that needs to be preserved? The Callahan County Historical Commission (CCHC) invites you to share your ideas (Callahan County only) with us.

Three meetings are scheduled for you to tell us what history you think is important.

The first meeting was held in Cross Plains on Tuesday, September 17th, in the Cross Plains Public Library at 149 N. Main Street at 6:30 p.m.

The second meeting will take place at Vada's Eats & Sweets at 331 Market Street in Baird on

Monday, September 30th at 6:00 p.m.

The third meeting will be held on Tuesday, October 8th in Clyde at the Pizza House located at 725 So. Access Road at 6:00 p.m.

If possible, please bring for our files addresses, copies of photos and any information you have to support your ideas.

Historical Markers can commemorate a building, business, person, organization or event. To qualify for a Recorded Texas Historic Landmark, a building must have maintained its historic architectural integrity for at

least the last 50 years.

Markers are included to educate and promote tourism. Callahan County currently has 31 historical markers throughout the county.

Looking for Texas Historical Markers close to you? Did you know there's an app, "TexasMarkers," for that? You can also search the Texas Historical Commission Atlas at <http://www.thc.state.tx.us/preserve/texas-historic-sites-atlas>.

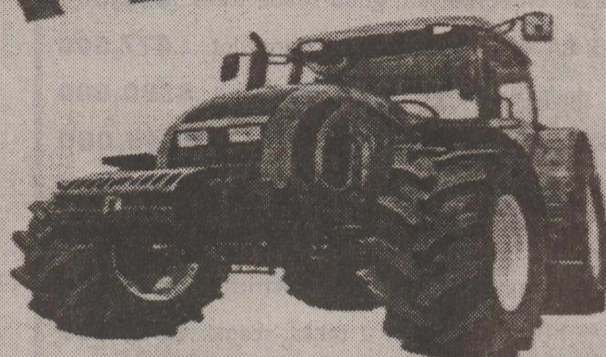
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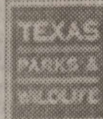
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DPS announces Driver Responsibility Incentive Program

Discounts based on total household income

AUSTIN — The Texas Department of Public Safety (DPS) is now offering eligible drivers with unpaid Driver Responsibility Program (DRP) surcharges significant reductions in fees owed as part of a new Incentive Program. In addition, drivers can now apply for the already existing Indigency Program and the new Incentive Program through one application process, which ensures that customers who are denied indigency status will automatically be considered for the Incentive Program if they are eligible. Both programs were created by the Texas Legislature.

The Incentive Program applies to individuals whose total household income is above 125 percent but below 300 percent of the federal poverty level, as defined annually by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. The surcharge fees are reduced by 50 percent of the total amount assessed, plus service fees. It also removes all surcharge license suspensions for six months from the date of approval but not other suspensions on the driving record.

The Indigency Program, which began in 2011, applies to individuals whose total

household income is at or below 125 percent of the federal poverty level, as defined annually by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. Surcharges are reduced to a maximum of \$250 or 10 percent of the total amount assessed (whichever is less), plus service fees. It also removes all surcharge license suspensions for six months from the time of approval but not other suspensions on the driving record.

Information on federal poverty levels related to both programs are outlined at: [http://www.txsurchargeonline.com/\(S\(vusti0bnq3krksygr3qpazx\)\)/Indigence.aspx](http://www.txsurchargeonline.com/(S(vusti0bnq3krksygr3qpazx))/Indigence.aspx). (See bottom of the page.)

Under these programs, the new reduced balance must be paid in full within six months to prevent a new suspension of driving privileges. Each partial payment made during the six month period requires a \$2.50 service fee. If the balance is not paid in full by the due date, driving privileges will be suspended until the amount owed is paid.

The DRP program was enacted in 2003 by the Texas Legislature, which directed the DPS to assess and collect automatic three-year surcharges for the following moving violation convictions:

- Intoxicated driving offenses;
- Driving without insurance;
- Driving while license invalid or without a license;
- Reaching a point accumulation threshold for several moving violations.

Surcharges are in addition to whatever fines were originally assessed for the qualifying violations — and these programs do not apply to any other fees that a driver may owe DPS. Revenue generated by DRP is allocated to trauma centers, emergency medical centers and the state's general revenue fund.

For additional information, including the application and instructions on how to apply for these programs, visit www.txsurchargeonline.com or call 1-866-223-3583 (select option 6). Applicants should continue making monthly installment payments while waiting for approval or they risk suspension of driving privileges.

Information related to the DRP program can also be found at: <http://www.txdps.state.tx.us/DriverLicense/drp.htm>.

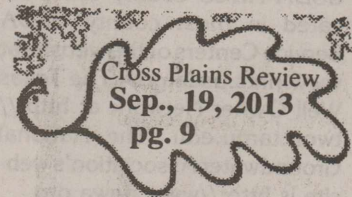
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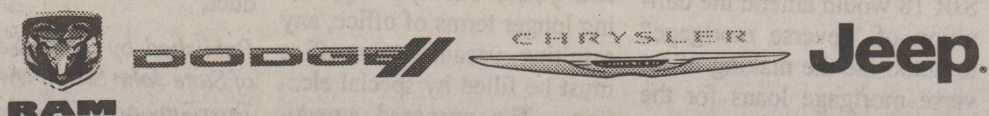
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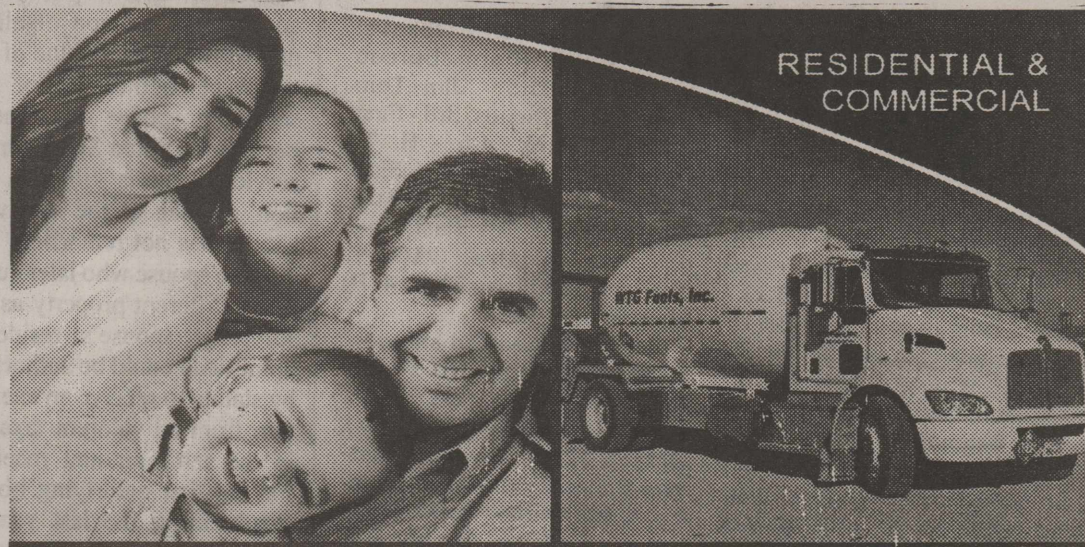
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Before the afternoon was over the couple had purchased \$288 of typescript copies, books, t-shirts and caps from the library and the Museum; left \$100 for a donation to the Museum and ate at one of the local restaurants.

The Whittakers are both serious Howard fans, enjoying most of the many genres perfected by the local writer. They were hard pressed to find books in the shop that they did not already have; but were delighted to learn that other books are available through the Robert E. Howard Foundation Press. One of the shirts and the cap they purchased was to be mailed to a friend in Sweden; naturally they were asked to send a picture back to Project Pride.

Although he has a degree in literature and philosophy, Sean has always worked in the oil related fields. Seems that he grew up moving from country to country as his father was transferred frequently in his work with the energy business. Sean currently works in Houston with the Trafiguria Commodities Trader Company. At one time owned by the Chinese government, the business is now headquartered in Switzerland.

Katrina owns her own business called "Bluebonnet Soap and Sundries." She not only runs the business, she makes all her own products to sell; candles, soaps, stained glass, wood crafts, quilted items to name a few of her more popular items. In addition to running her business, she runs a K-9 obedience school and works with the TX Wildlife Education Department of wildlife rehabilitation.

Each day is a new adventure at the Museum and Library.

Note of Appreciation from Callahan County 4-H Shotgun Shooting Sports

The Callahan County 4-H Shotgun program held their 5-stand Fundraiser Shoot this past Saturday, September 14th. Lots of shooters came out to the range to have fun and we had a successful day. Teams of five shot on the 50-bird 5-stand setup. Individuals had the choice to shoot the 50-bird 5-stand, a separate 25-bird 5-stand or wobble trap. A big thanks to all the team sponsors: First Financial Bank, Farm Bureau Insurance-Baird, First Bank Texas, the Jacob family, Wayne Schoen, H. T. Gleason, Bug Blasters and Jim Tom Beeman.

An additional thanks to all the individual shooters who helped contribute to the day's success. To all the 4-H shotgun team members, coaches, parents, family members and friends who helped in some

way, we appreciate you and could not do what we do without your willingness to volunteer.

Team results were as follows: 1st - F.B.I. (Farm Bureau Insurance), 2nd - Jim Tom Beeman and friends, 3rd - First Financial Bank, 4th - H. T. Gleason and family, 5th - First Bank Texas, 6th - Bug Blasters, and 7th (last, but definitely the MOST entertaining) - The 4-H Shotgun Mamas.

The next scheduled shotgun event at our range will be the Cottonwood Benefit, scheduled for Saturday, October 12th. Make your plans now to come out and support the Cottonwood Community and our Callahan County 4-H Shotgun program. Details will be published soon.

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Groundwater in the Lone Star State serves more than five million Texans

Story by Melissa Blair

The Texas USDA-Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) joins with the National Ground Water Association (NGWA) and other partners to promote ways Texans can protect their groundwater.

Ninety percent of Texans depend on public drinking water supplies. All Texans are encouraged to protect the public health and the environment through simple steps that will go a long way to ensuring a clean, healthy water supply for future generations.

In Texas, more than 5.3 million people rely on groundwater-supplied community water systems, while another 2.23 million residents rely on groundwater from their own household water wells. Proper management of groundwater and private well systems greatly impacts water quality.

Households that do not rely on a private well can make a difference in groundwater quality, too. Appropriate storage, use, and disposal of hazardous household substances, in addition to septic system maintenance, can improve groundwater quality for everyone.

"Protecting groundwater through conservation is more important than ever," said NRCS State Conservationist, Salvador Salinas. "Drought, which is a significant problem throughout the state, has the potential to put a strain on household water wells and public drinking supplies, but there are conservation programs and financial assistance through NRCS such as well decommissioning and brush clearing that can help protect



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and enhance the state's groundwater."

Surface water is also affected by groundwater because natural aquifer discharge is needed to maintain the flow in streams and rivers, especially during periods of little or no precipitation.

Here are some actions that individuals can take to protect and conserve groundwater:

- Store cleaning products and other household chemicals properly and in a secure place.
- Use household products according to the manufacturer's recommendations.
- Dispose of household products safely.
- Install water-saving devices such as plumbing fixtures and aerators on faucets.
- Check for household leaks. A leaking toilet can waste up to 200 gallons of water each day.
- Take short showers instead of baths.
- Run dishwashers and washing machines only with full loads. Private well owners should take

the following steps to prevent contamination and ensure water quality:

- Move possible contamination sources, such as kennels or livestock operations, waste systems, or chemical storage areas for paint, fertilizer, pesticides, and motor oil, a safe distance away from the wellhead.
- Test well water annually for coliform bacteria and nitrates, and anything else of local concern.
- Inspect and clean the septic system regularly.
- Inspect water well systems annually.
- Work with NRCS to decommission any abandoned wells properly.

For more information, visit the USDA-NRCS county office located in most county USDA Service Centers or the website at www.nrcs.usda.gov. The Texas Well Owner Network at <http://twon.tamu.edu>. The National Groundwater Association's website is <http://www.ngwa.org>.

PUBLIC NOTICE

Brief Explanatory Statements of Proposed Constitutional Amendments
Special Election November 5, 2013

Proposition Number 1 (HJR 62)

HJR 62 proposes a constitutional amendment to authorize the legislature to provide by statute for an exemption from ad valorem taxation of all or part of the market value of the residence homestead of the surviving spouse of a member of the United States armed services who is killed in action, as long as the surviving spouse has not remarried. An eligible spouse who later qualifies a different property as the surviving spouse's residence homestead could be authorized by statute to receive an exemption from ad valorem taxation in the same amount received for the first qualifying homestead during the last year in which the surviving spouse received the exemption.

The proposed amendment would appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment authorizing the legislature to provide for an exemption from ad valorem taxation of all or part of the market value of the residence homestead of the surviving spouse of a member of the United States who is killed in action."

Proposition Number 2 (HJR 79)

HJR 79 proposes a constitutional amendment to repeal the constitutional provision requiring the creation of a State Medical Education Board and a State Medical Education Fund, neither of which is in operation. No new loans have been made from the fund by the board in more than 25 years, and the board currently has no appointees and receives no program funding.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment eliminating an obsolete requirement for a State Medical Education Board and a State Medical Education Fund, neither of which is operational."

Proposition Number 3 (HJR 133)

HJR 133 would authorize local political subdivisions to extend the length of time that aircraft

parts could remain temporarily in this state before being subject to ad valorem taxation. Under current law, merchandise, wares, and goods (including aircraft parts) may remain in this state temporarily for up to 175 days before being subject to ad valorem taxation; the proposed amendment would permit taxing entities to extend the exemption up to 730 days after the date that a person acquired or imported aircraft parts in the state.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment to authorize a political subdivision of this state to extend the number of days that aircraft parts that are exempt from ad valorem taxation due to their location in this state for a temporary period may be located in this state for purposes of qualifying for the tax exemption."

Proposition Number 4 (HJR 24)

HJR 24 proposes a constitutional amendment that would allow the legislature to provide for an exemption from ad valorem taxation of part of the market value of the residence homestead of a partially disabled veteran or the surviving spouse of a partially disabled veteran if the residence homestead was donated to the disabled veteran at no cost to the veteran by a charitable organization.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment authorizing the legislature to provide for an exemption from ad valorem taxation of part of the market value of the residence homestead of a partially disabled veteran or the surviving spouse of a partially disabled veteran if the residence homestead was donated to the disabled veteran by a charitable organization."

Proposition Number 5 (SJR 18)

SJR 18 would amend the definition of "reverse mortgage" to authorize the making of reverse mortgage loans for the purchase of homestead property in addition to the current

legal uses of those loans, and would give lenders recourse against borrowers who fail to timely occupy the homestead properties purchased with such loans. SJR 18 would also add to the definition of "reverse mortgage" an extension of credit that is not closed before the 12th day after the lender provides to the prospective borrower a written notice summarizing risks and conditions of a reverse mortgage. The language of the required notice is prescribed in the resolution.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment to authorize the making of a reverse mortgage loan for the purchase of homestead property and to amend lender disclosures and other requirements in connection with a reverse mortgage loan."

Proposition Number 6 (SJR 1)

SJR 1 would create the State Water Implementation Fund as a special fund inside the state treasury and outside the General Revenue Fund. Money in the fund would be administered by the Texas Water Development Board (TWDB) and would be used to implement the state water plan, as adopted by general law, by TWDB.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment providing for the creation of the State Water Implementation Fund for Texas and the State Water Implementation Revenue Fund for Texas to assist in the financing of priority projects in the state water plan to ensure the availability of adequate water resources."

Proposition Number 7 (HJR 87)

HJR 87 proposes a constitutional amendment to allow home-rule municipalities to adopt charter provisions authorizing the filling of vacancies in the governing body by appointment, but only when the remainder of the vacant term is less than 12 months. Under current law, municipal voters may adopt terms of office for municipal officers longer than two years, but upon approving longer terms of office, any resulting vacancies in office must be filled by special election. The proposed amendment would provide an option

for home-rule municipalities to fill short-term vacancies through appointment.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment authorizing a home-rule municipality to provide in its charter the procedure to fill a vacancy on its governing body for which the unexpired term is 12 months or less."

Proposition Number 8 (HJR 147 and SJR 54)

HJR 147 would repeal the Texas Constitution's maximum tax rate for a Hidalgo County hospital district; the maximum rate is currently set at 10 cents per \$100 valuation. This rate is lower than the maximum tax rate allowable for hospital districts in all other counties in the State (75 cents per \$100 valuation). The repeal of the constitutional cap would authorize hospital district tax rates in Hidalgo County equal to the hospital district tax rate laws applicable to all other Texas counties.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment repealing Section 7, Article IX, Texas Constitution, which relates to the creation of a hospital district in Hidalgo County."

Proposition Number 9 (SJR 42)

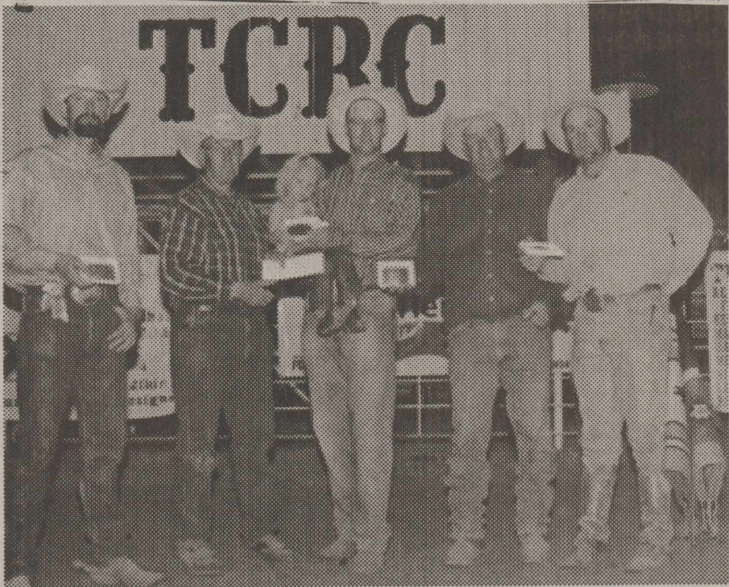
SJR 42 would expand the potential sanctions that the State Commission on Judicial Conduct can issue following a formal proceeding. This constitutional amendment would allow the Commission to issue an order of public admonition, warning, reprimand, or a requirement to obtain additional training or education in addition to the Commission's current authority to issue a public censure or recommend removal or retirement of a judge.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment relating to expanding the types of sanctions that may be assessed against a judge or justice following a formal proceeding instituted by the State Commission on Judicial Conduct."

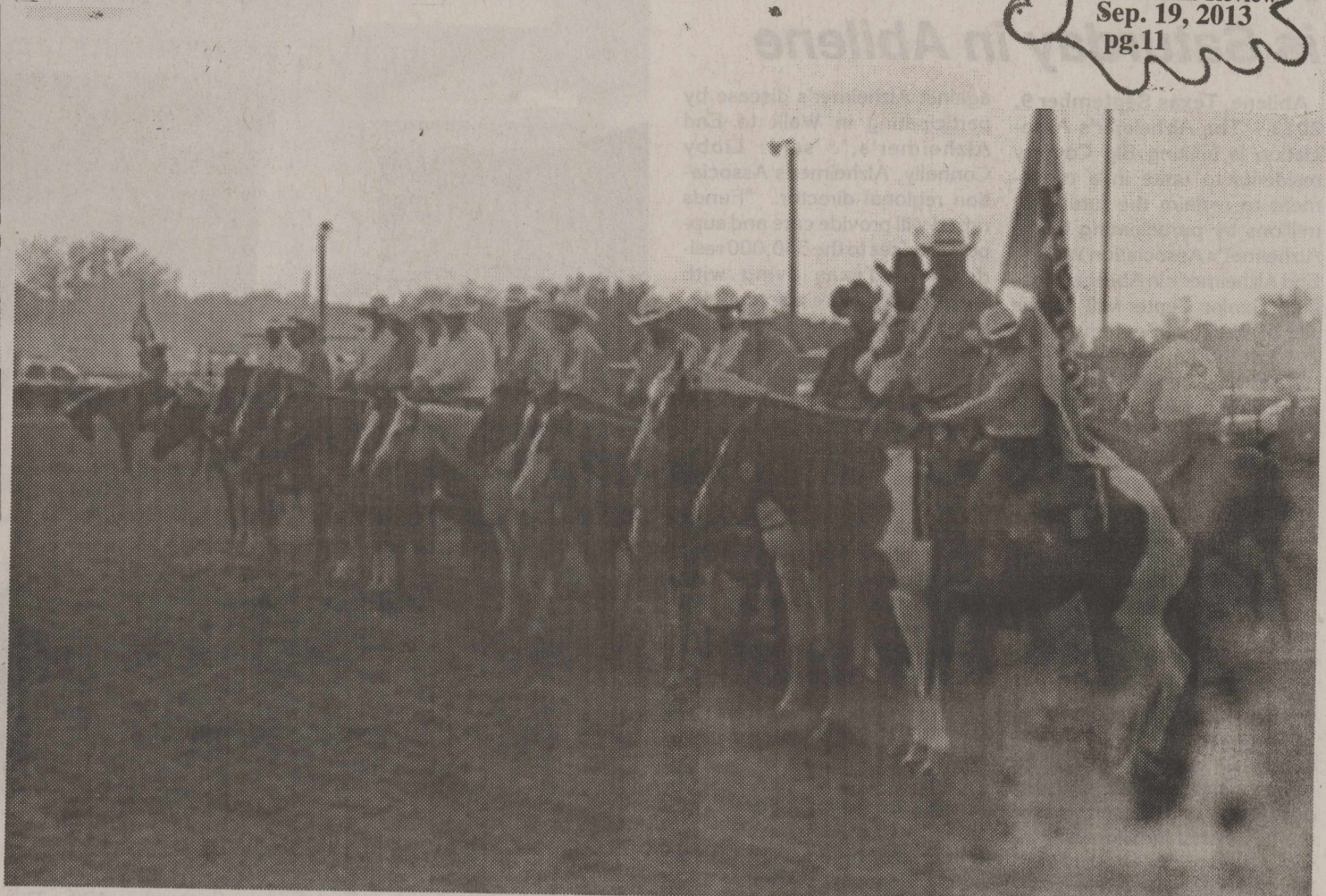
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1ST PLACE TEAM— MCWILLIAMS RANCH, CROSS PLAINS, TX— CODY TAYLOR, DAVID MAYS (TURKEY CREEK CLUB PRESIDENT) MCWILLIAMS AND JODY GERNGROSS.



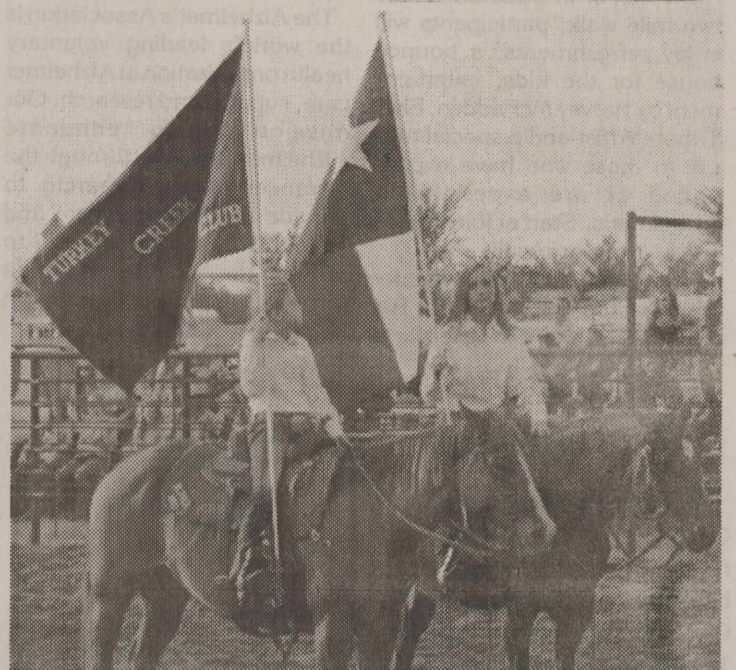
THE GRAND ENTRY WITH ALL THE TEAMS ENTERED IN THE 2013 TURKEY CREEK MEMORIAL RODEO LINED UP IN THE ARENA. WITH THEIR FLAGS.



2ND PLACE TEAM— GERNGROSS RANCH, BAIRD, TX DAVID MAYS (CLUB PRESIDENT). TEAM MEMBERS PICTURED ARE WES ASHLOCK AND JODY GERNGROSS.



PICTURED ABOVE IS MACKENZIE BYRD CARRYING THE AMERICAN FLAG FOR THE GRAND ENTRY.



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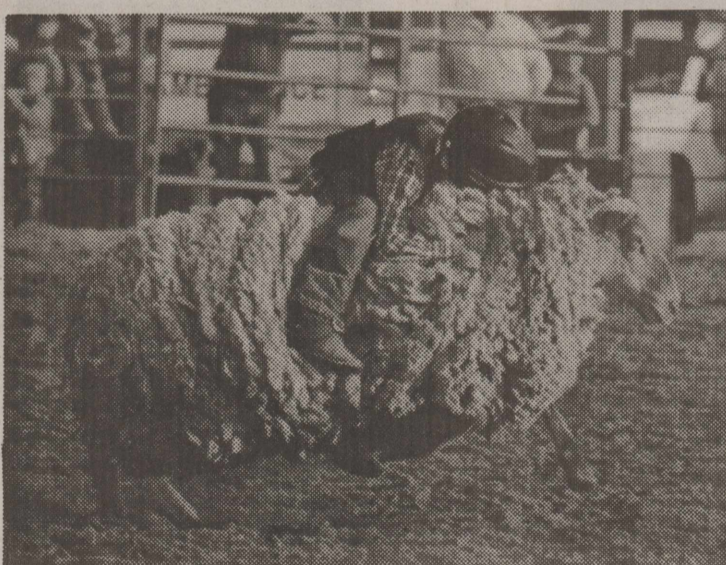
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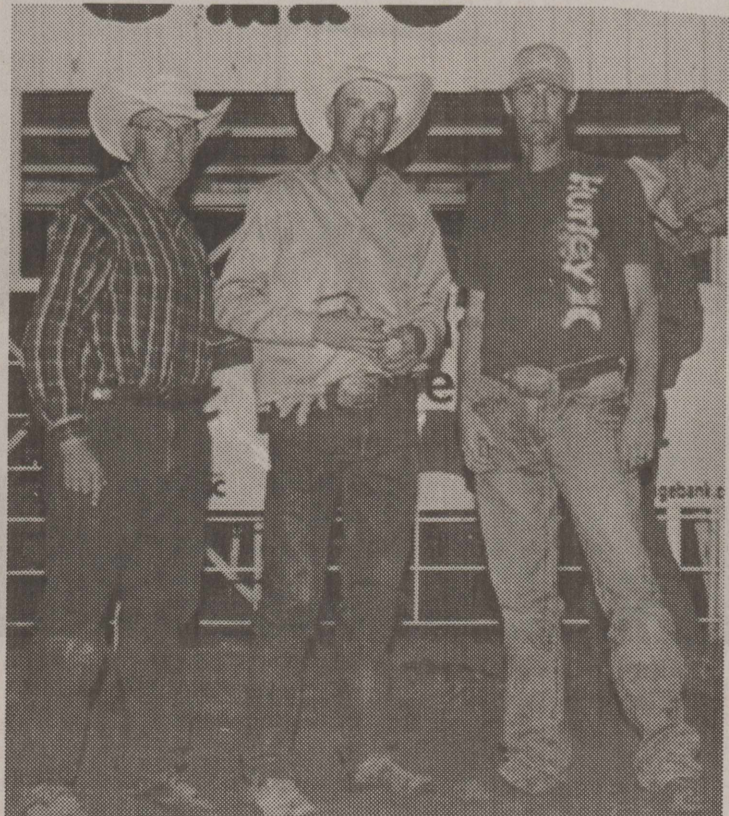
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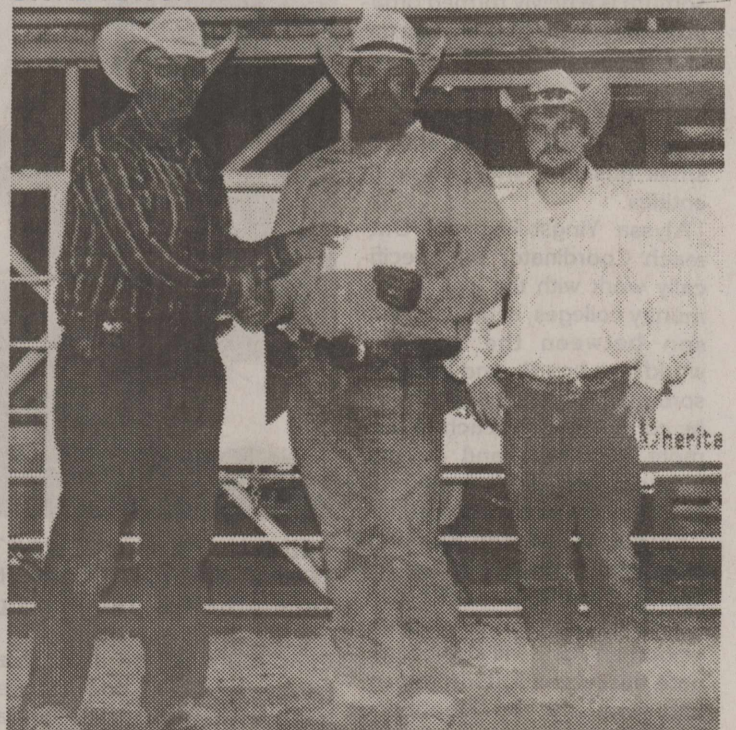
THE TOP HORSE OF THE RODEO WAS A BIG GRAY RIDDEN BY CHAD TOWNSON, PICTURED WITH CLUB PRESIDENT DAVID MAYS.



TYLER MACKEY SHOWS OFF HIS WINNING MUTTON BUSTIN' GRIP.



THE TOP HAND OF THE NIGHT WAS A.P. JONES (ENTER) WITH CHASE BUNN (RIGHT) AND PRESIDENT DAVID MAYS (LEFT).



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Alzheimer's Association Walk to End Alzheimer's is Saturday in Abilene

Abilene, Texas September 9, 2013 - The Alzheimer's Association is inviting Big Country residents to unite in a movement to reclaim the future for millions by participating in the Alzheimer's Association Walk to End Alzheimer's in Abilene. Rose Park Senior Center will be the site of Walk on September 21, 2013 at 8:00 a.m.

Walk to End Alzheimer's is more than a walk. It is an experience for hundreds of participants in Abilene who will learn about Alzheimer's disease and how to get involved with this critical cause, from advocacy opportunities, the latest in Alzheimer's research and clinical trial enrollment to support programs and services. Each walker will also join in a meaningful ceremony to honor those affected by Alzheimer's disease.

Alzheimer's disease is a growing epidemic and is now the nation's sixth-leading cause of death. As baby boomers age, the number of individuals living with Alzheimer's disease will rapidly escalate, increasing well beyond today's more than 5 million Americans living with Alzheimer's. In addition to the two mile walk, participants will enjoy refreshments, a bounce house for the kids, entertainment by Harvey McFadden, Elvis Tribute Artist and a special tribute to those who have experienced or are experiencing Alzheimer's. Start or join a team today at alz.org/walk.

"There has never been a greater need for the citizens of the Big Country to join in the fight

against Alzheimer's disease by participating in Walk to End Alzheimer's," said Libby Connally, Alzheimer's Association regional director. "Funds raised will provide care and support services to the 340,000 residents of Texas living with Alzheimer's, while also contributing to advancing critically-needed research."

For more information, contact Libby Connally at 325-672-2907 or lconnally@alz.org.

About the Alzheimer's Association Walk to End Alzheimer's:

The Alzheimer's Association Walk to End Alzheimer's is the nation's largest event to raise awareness and funds for Alzheimer's care, support and research. Since 1989, the Alzheimer's Association mobilized millions of Americans in the Alzheimer's Association Memory Walk; now the Alzheimer's Association is continuing to lead the way with Walk to End Alzheimer's. Together, we can end Alzheimer's - the nation's sixth-leading cause of death.

About the Alzheimer's Association:

The Alzheimer's Association is the world's leading voluntary health organization in Alzheimer care, support and research. Our mission is to eliminate Alzheimer's disease through the advancement of research; to provide and enhance care and support for all affected; and to reduce the risk of dementia through the promotion of brain health.

Year Book Digitalization

The Callahan County Historical Commission along with help from the Cross Plains Public Library and CPISD are having the Cross Plains Yearbooks digitized. Years from 1949 - 2012 have been sent for processing. If you can help us out with yearbooks before 1949 (except 1941 & 1946 which we have), please drop them off at the Cross Plains Public Library. Be sure to leave your name and phone number, so we can return it to you. CDs with the yearbooks will be at the library and the school once finished. For more information, call Judy Luter at (254) 725-7222



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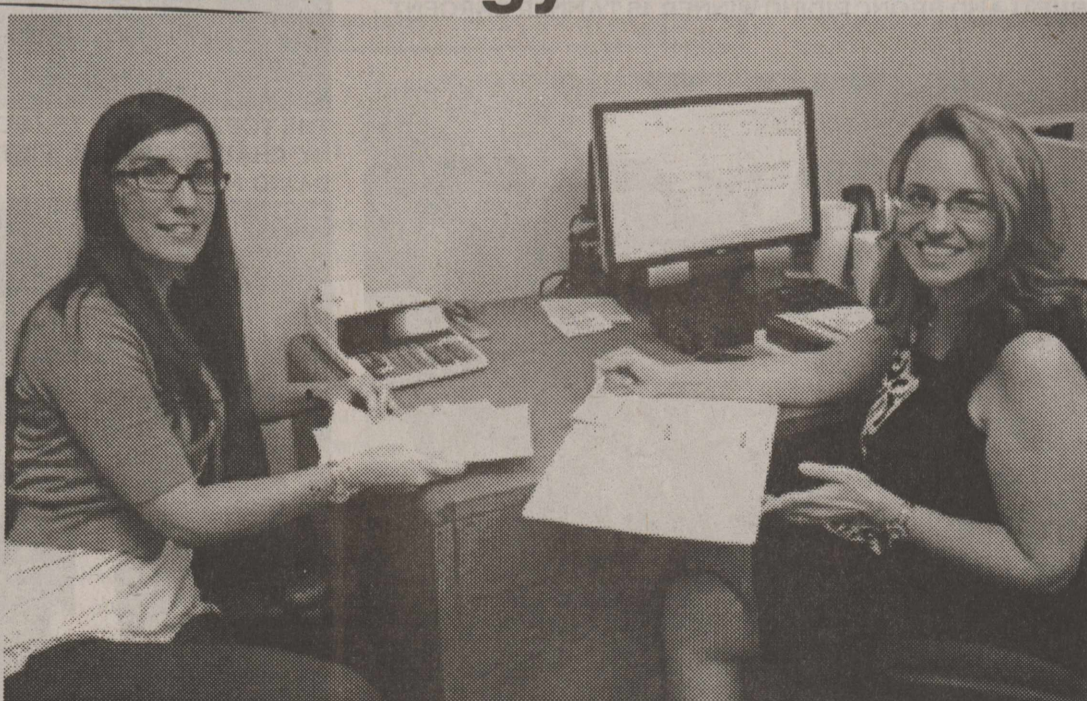
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New Regional Coordinators to Assist the West Texas Energy Consortium

Abilene, Texas—Alyssa Yingst and Kathy Stokes have recently been selected to assist and coordinate the development of the West Texas Energy Consortium. The West Texas Energy Consortium is a newly formed organization, which will represent the community partners in 39 counties. The community partners will include; education, workforce, local government, small business and non-profit entities.

Alyssa Yingst-Regional Outreach, Coordinator will specifically work with the eight community colleges, acting as a liaison between the schools, workforce boards and the consortium leadership. She will also be conducting outreach to promote awareness and develop engagement via website and social media of the consortium.

Katherine Stokes-Regional Business Coordinator for the energy consortium will be responsible for membership development. She will also coordinate business efforts in the energy industry, by identifying workforce education and training needs, along with development of strategies to address employer needs. Mrs. Stokes said "Our goal is to identify common issues and challenges, work together on solutions and actively seek public and private resources to address those challenges. The West Texas Energy



NEW HIRES AT WEST TEXAS ENERGY CONSORTIUM—The West Texas Energy

Consortium will be a comprehensive representation of stakeholders across West Central Texas, Permian Basin, Concho Valley and South Plains. This will be an opportunity to transform parts of our state from sleepy towns to thriving economic communities that bring jobs, increased tax revenues and local commerce."

To learn more about the West

Consortium announced the recent hiring of from left to right: Alyssa Yingst, Regional Out-

reach Coordinator; and Katherine Stokes, Regional Business Coordinator.

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DENTAL CARE NOW AVAILABLE IN CLYDE—The Clyde Chamber of Commerce held a ribbon cutting ceremony for the Resource Care Dental Clinic in Clyde last Friday, September 13th. The Resource Care Dental Clinic, located at 1712 North Access Road, east of the Clyde McDonald's is now open for all type of dental

procedures and teeth clinic. The Resource Care Dental Clinic is open from 8:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m. Monday and Friday and from 8:00 a.m. until 12:00 noon on Tuesday and Wednesday. Call (325) 893-4010 for an appointment.

Resource Care Dental Clinic now open in Clyde

Dental care is now an option in Clyde with the recent announcement of the opening of the Resource Care Dental Clinic located at 1712 North Access Road in Clyde.

The Resource Care Dental Clinic opened for business on Tuesday, September 3rd.

Dr. Lacy Mankin, DDS, is the new dentist at the Clyde clinic. Dr. Kerry Snow is the Resource Care Dental Director.

The local dental clinic provides all types of dental procedures, and will also perform teeth cleaning.

The Clyde dental clinic offers Level 2 "conscious sedation" for adults and children. Conscious sedation uses a combination of medicine to help the patient relax and block pain during a dental procedure. Conscious sedation allows the patient to recover quickly and return to their everyday activities after the procedure.

The Clyde dental clinic has two dental chairs, with a separate waiting room. The Resource Care Dental Clinic is located on the east side of the Clyde office and has a separate waiting room and receptionist area than the medical side of the clinic.

Resource Care was originally founded in 1994 as the Shackelford County Resource Center in Albany by Susan Jones. Resource Care in 2005 became a

federally qualified health center. Resource Care's CEO is now Dustin Hawk.

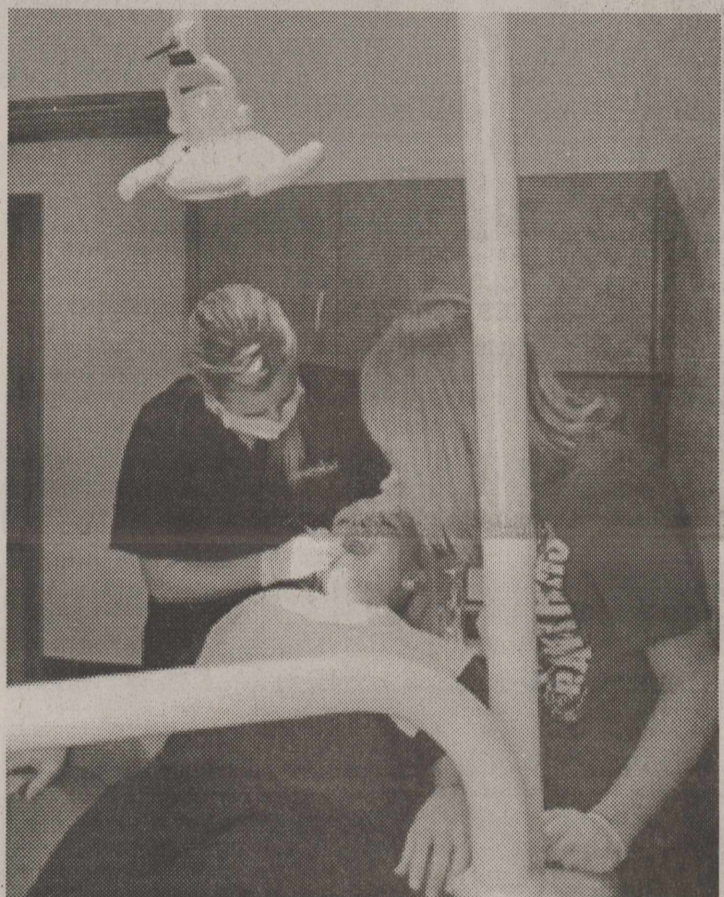
Resource Care expanded from its original location in Albany to offices in Breckenridge, Baird, Cross Plains and now Clyde.

Along with the Clyde clinic, Resource Care also has dental clinics in Albany and Breckenridge and will soon have one in Cross Plains.

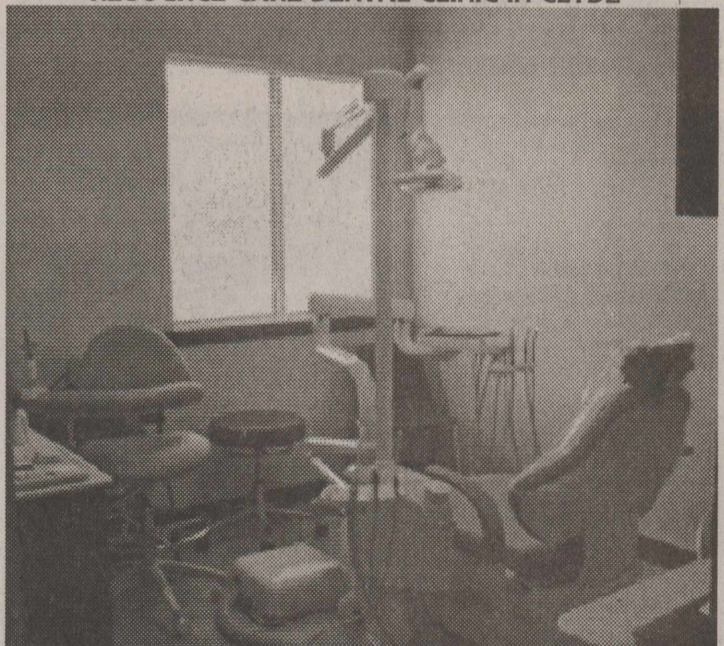
The Resource Care Dental Clinic accepts most dental insurance plans, and the patient's fee is based upon his or her's income.

The Clyde Resource Care Dental Clinic will be doing a dental checkup at Clyde Elementary School sometime in October and parents of the elementary school will receive a piece of paper notifying them if their child needs a procedure or not.

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DR. LACY MANKIN, DDS, PICTURED AT LEFT, PROVIDES A DENTAL CHECKUP ON A PATIENT AT THE RESOURCE CARE DENTAL CLINIC IN CLYDE



ONE OF THE TWO NEW DENTAL CHAIRS AT THE NEWLY OPEN RESOURCE CARE DENTAL CLINIC IN CLYDE

Wildflowers All Year Long

As we drive the highways and back roads around Cross Plains, the wildflowers seem to be everywhere, especially in the springtime. Have you ever stopped to think how many different varieties of wildflowers we have to enjoy?

James Nichols scouted out the area and photographed flowers that just grow wild and compiled them in calendar form to be shared. This calendar is in loving memory of Esther Kerr, a longtime resident of Cross Plains

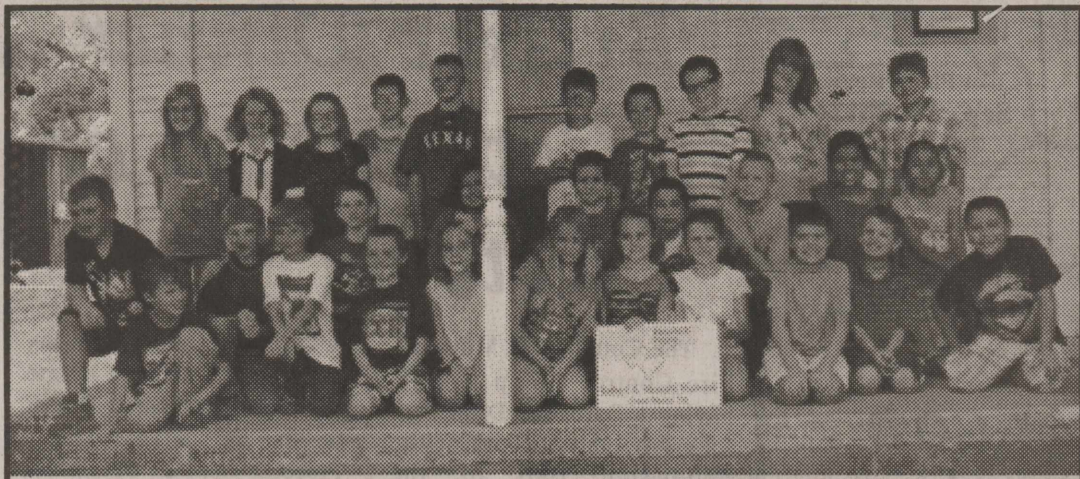
and receptionist at the Cross Plains Senior Center for over six years.

The 2014 calendar is available for only \$5.00. Come by 108 N. Main St, in Cross Plains to pick up a copy or call us at 254-725-6521 for additional information. The calendar can be mailed to you for an additional \$2.00.

We appreciate James Nichols using his talents to honor Esther and generate additional funds for the Senior Center.

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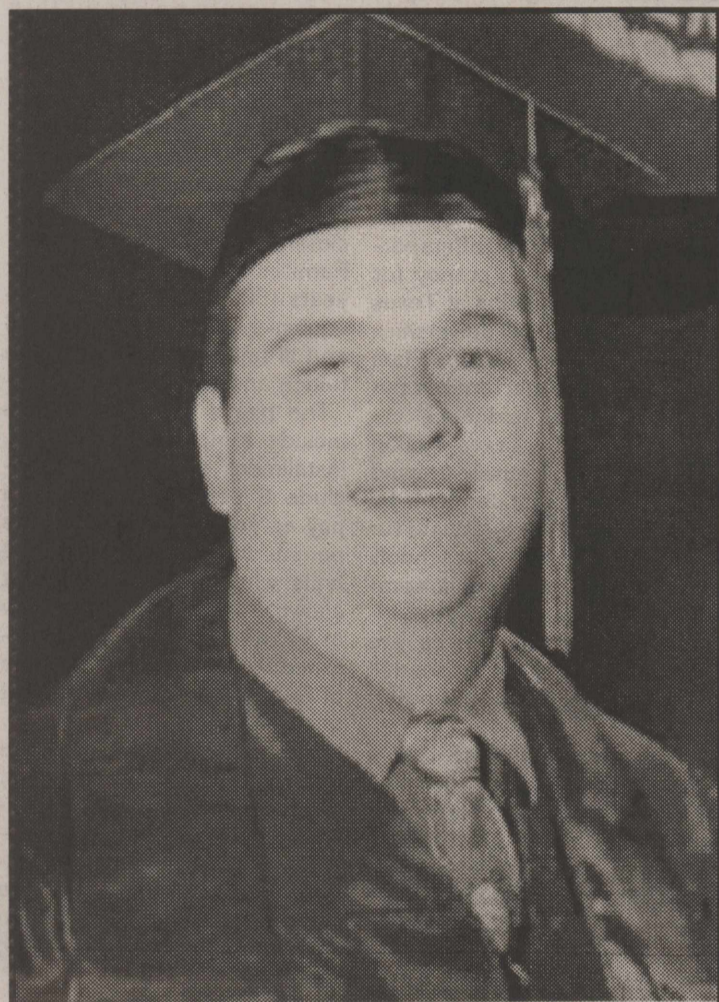
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Third grade class tours Museum — Project Pride docents had a real treat last week when Mrs. Richards took her third graders to visit the Robert E Howard Museum. The well behaved group had been studying about communities and how important tourism is to a community. In addition to learning that the local museum is a major tourist attraction that brings lots of new money into the community, they were able to see each room in the house. Docents pointed out how people lived in the 1930's as compared to how students live today. Much to their surprise, they saw no TV, computer, WI, microwave, air conditioner, or video games. But they did see that library books back then have the same kind of spine labels with the same Dewey Decimals numbers that their school library has. They did see a museum brochure that had been translated into Japanese language. And several of the students got to see their first horny toad; in the souvenir shop, not on the grounds. After a group picture on the front porch, the students headed back to school to share one item they had seen in the museum. Each day, a new and wonderful experience in the Museum.

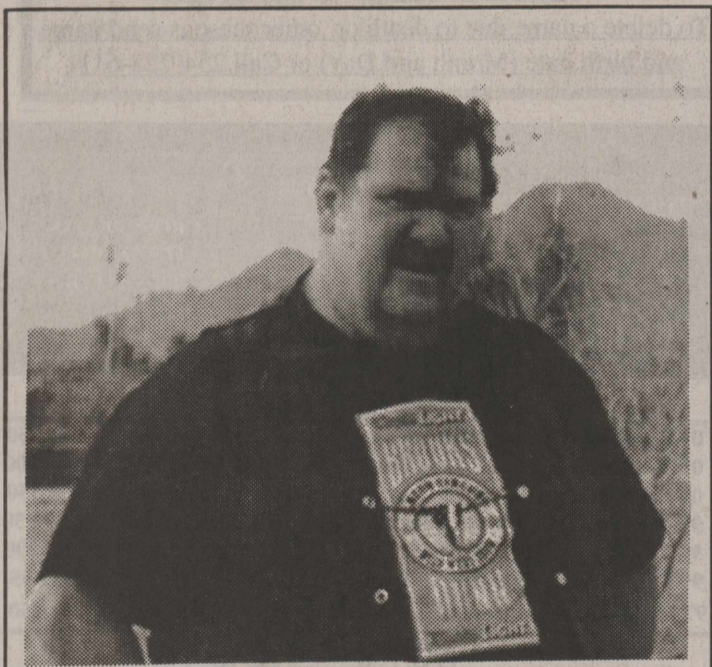


ASAP: After School Adventure Program Begins at Cross Plains Public Library — On Wednesday, September 4th the first program of the year was an adventure for the children. Under the supervision of Sue Bennett children painted 'stained glass' vases and made 'hand print' flowers. These served as table decor for the Senior Citizen's Center in honor of "Grandparent's Day". Programs will be held on the first Wednesday of each month from 4 to 5 pm at the Cross Plains Public Library. Please mark your calendars and bring your children!



Ben Schaefer

Recent College Graduate — Ben Schaefer, son of Phillip and Susan Schaefer of Cross Plains, graduated from Tarleton State University on August 10, 2013. Ben received a Bachelor of Science in Manufacturing Engineering Technology. Ben has accepted an Industrial Engineer Position with Re-Teck in Grand Prairie, TX.



**65th Birthday Memorial
for
Junior Ford, Jr.**

**Happy 65th Birthday
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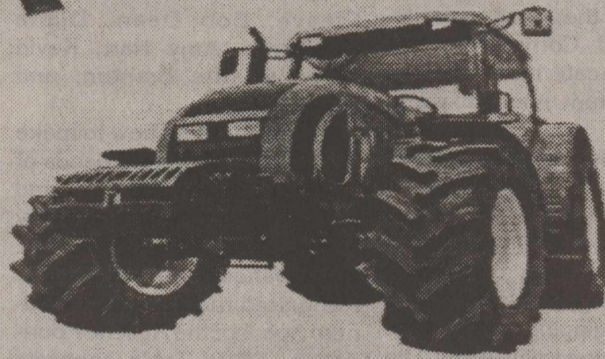
There is never a moment that we didn't think of you. Memories so special when you were here by our side. We now have them tucked away in our hearts forever to abide.

I can close my eyes and see your big smile and I know that you are walking up and down those streets of gold and waving and talking to every one you meet, cause you probably know them all. Dad, Mother, and the rest of the family that has gone on before, what a reunion I know that was.

We love you,
Son "Wes"; Sisters "June, Pat, Katie and Sharon";
Nephews, Nieces, Cousins and a Host of Friends

Family and friends will have a balloon release honoring Junior's 65th birthday, at Cross Plains Cemetery on Saturday, Sept. 21, at 7:00p.m.

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Callahan County Friends of NRA Banquet raises \$31,000

Over 100 Callahan County residents interested in the shooting sports-related programs attended the first-ever Callahan County Friends of the NRA Banquet held Saturday night, September 7th at the First United Methodist Church Fellowship Hall in Clyde.

This year's banquet, raffles and silent auction raised a total of \$31,000, excluding expenses, for shooting sports-related programs.

Friends of the NRA's fundraising efforts allow the NRA Foundation to provide critical funding to firearm programs on the local, state, and national levels. Established in 1990, the NRA Foundation has funded over 18,000 grants, becoming America's leading charitable organization in the support of shooting sports.

NRA Foundation grants enable shooting sports-related programs to develop, expand, and enhance their educational curricula to deliver valuable services to millions of Americans. Grants from the NRA Foundation benefit programs such as youth education, law enforcement training, hunter education, conservation, marksmanship training and much more.

Every year, the NRA Foundation allocates half of all net proceeds to go back into the state in which it was raised, where Friends of the NRA State Fund Committee decide on programs and projects to fund on the local and state levels. The other half is used to fund projects similar to those seen on the local and state levels but with a national scope. These monies sustain over 180 NRA nationally supported programs.

According to Callahan County 4-H officials, the NRA Foundation granted \$5,200 to the Callahan County Shooting Sports

program last year.

Previous NRA Banquet fundraisers have contributed to the Taylor County Sheriff's Department, Eastland County 4-H, West Texas Friends of the NRA college scholarship, Fort Chadbourne Foundation, and Texas Trails Boy Scout Council.

In the past six years, more than \$2 million has been raised in West Texas alone. Half of all those funds raised at Friends of the NRA Banquets are returned to the local areas that raised the funds. In January, the fundraising committee held their meeting in Big Spring and went over more than half a million dollars in grant applications and handed out grant awards of over \$11,000.

Friends of the NRA and the NRA Foundation recognize that the future of our shooting traditions lies in programs that inspire and encourage individuals to further develop their passion for firearm education and training. Recognizing America's younger generations represent the future of the shooting sports, State Fund Committees frequently allocate more than 75 percent of grant monies to youth programs.

Eddie Eagle GunSafe® teaches children the important steps to take if they find a gun, while Refuse to Be a Victim® teaches people of all ages the importance of being alert to imminent danger, equipping participants with life-saving knowledge. The annual Youth Education Summit trains high schoolers to continue the shooting legacy by intelligently debating their Constitutional rights, while programs designed specifically for military and law enforcement enhance the marksmanship skills. Women on Target® helps women gain confidence in their firearm skills. Disabled veterans

are given opportunities to continue shooting through programs like the Paralyzed Veterans of America's National Trapshoot Circuit, and young hunters throughout the nation are inspired by the Youth Hunter Education Challenge. Hundreds of indoor and outdoor ranges have been built or repaired by NRA range grants, and then frequented by students learning marksmanship in JROTC, Boy Scouts, and 4-H.

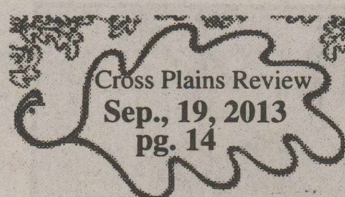
Since its inception in 1992, Friends of the NRA has held over 15,000 events, reached over two and a half million attendees and raised over \$200 million for the NRA Foundation, a 501 (c) (3) charitable organization impacting millions of lives.

Mike Walker and Reggie Pillars are co-chairmen of the Callahan County Friends of the NRA. Michelle Ratliff is secretary of the organization, and Lyn Walker is treasurer of the Callahan County Friends of the NRA. Other Callahan County Friends of the NRA include: Dennis Val Cleave, Bob Dean, Diane Cedergren, Amy Hart, Kevin Meier, Charles Branton, and David Miller.

Got any ideas on how to make the Callahan County Friends of the NRA Banquet bigger and better? Join the Callahan County Friends of the NRA Committee.

The banquet organizers also recognized the banquet's Platinum Sponsor the Abilene Foundation. Silver Table sponsors included Metal Mart, Goldsmith Ranches, Don A. Boles Insurance Agency, Midway Plumbing, and McDonald's of Clyde. Bronze table sponsor included Silverbrook Ranches.

Jack Cannon, a Senior Field Representative for the NRA, served as emcee at this year's banquet.



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Brisket Dinner in Cottonwood on October 5th

The Cottonwood Volunteer Fire Control Group will be having a Barbeque Dinner on Saturday, October 5th at the Fellowship Hall of the Cottonwood Baptist Church, located on FM 1079 in Cottonwood.

Barbeque Brisket, Sausage, Chicken and Turkey all cooked by

Fire Chief Joe are on the menu, along with homemade potato salad, beans and dessert. Dinner is \$6. Serving starts at 5 p.m.

Proceeds from the dinner will be used for the maintenance and upkeep on the firetrucks and to purchase gas and supplies.

Come out to Cottonwood and join us for dinner.

Texas Prepaid College Tuition Enrollment Open

AUSTIN — Texas Comptroller Susan Combs is reminding parents they can begin enrolling in the Texas Tuition Promise Fund®, the state's prepaid college tuition program. Open enrollment began this month and runs through Feb. 28, 2014.

"Saving for college is a very important part of family budgets," Combs said. "The Texas Tuition Promise Fund offers parents the chance to prepay for their child's education at Texas public colleges and universities at today's prices. The fund has flexible options that families can utilize to fit their budgets."

Families in the Texas Tuition Promise Fund purchase prepaid "tuition units" that can later be used toward undergraduate tuition and required fees at schools ranging from Texas public community colleges to four-year, in-state universities. Prices are based on 2013-14 academic year costs for the state's public colleges.

• Type I units, priced for tuition and required fees for the most expensive public four-year school in Texas, cost \$118.06 per unit.

• Type II units, based on the weighted average cost of tuition and required fees across all Texas public four-year schools,

cost \$85.10 per unit.

• Type III units, priced at the weighted average cost of tuition and required fees across all Texas public two-year schools, cost \$21.71 each.

Under the plan, 100 units equal roughly one academic year consisting of 30 semester hours of tuition and required fees at the Texas public school that most closely matches the pricing base. Families can prepay for up to six years (600 Type I units or the equivalent amount of Type II and III units) of undergraduate tuition and required fees.

The plan's payment options include lump sum payments, installment payments that include 8 percent interest or a pay-as-you-go plan that allows parents to gradually add more units when the family budget allows. Payments can be as low as \$15 after an account is established by paying a one-time fee of \$25 and purchasing at least one unit.

The Texas Tuition Promise Fund is entering its sixth year. For more information about enrolling in the prepaid college tuition program, including a college cost calculator, go to www.TexasTuitionPromiseFund.com or call 1-800-445-GRAD (4723), Option 5.

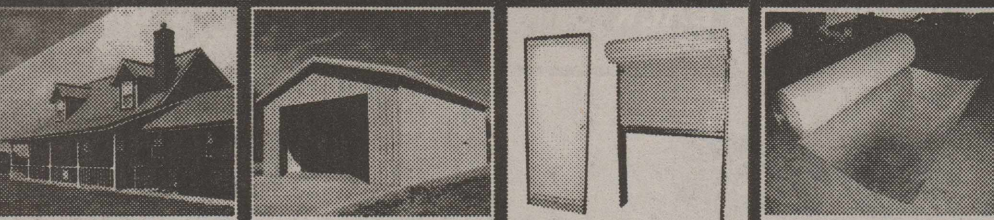
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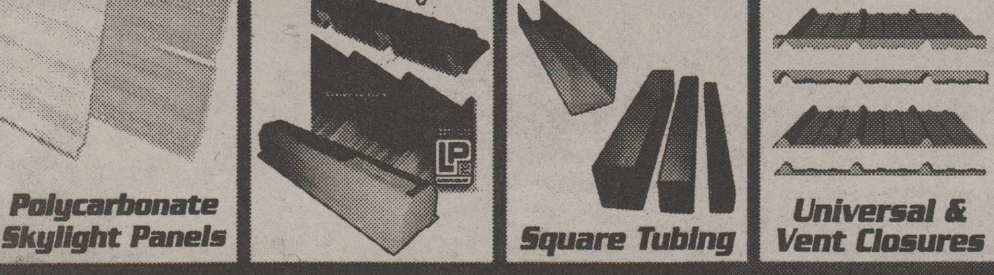
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