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THURSDAY, March 11, 2010



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CROSS PLAINS, CALLAHAN COUNTY, TEXAS 76443

NUMBER 52

NO Election Needed for City Council 4 File for Cross Plains I.S.D. Trustee **Election with 3 Terms Up for Grabs**

positions by March 8, 2010, an of Trustee. official election will not be necessary.

currently consists of Peg Terrell, Fred McWilliams are expiring. and other details will be published Lewis Fortune, Karen Lenz, Jerry McWilliams was appointed to at a later date. Cassle and Bob Kirkham.

Purvis and Councilmen Jerry Hoyt Foster and John Fred following her resignation. Cassle and Bob Kirkham will McWilliams have filed for start new two-year terms for the re-election. Mark Ring has filed Cross Plains I.S.D. are Jim Cook, City of Cross Plains. With no an application for election to the Donnie Dillard, Bryan Bennett other candidates filing for the Cross Plains I.S.D. School Board Michael Cowan, Tommy Ames,

The 3-year terms of school McWilliams. board trustees, Tommy Ames, The Cross Plains City Council Hoyt McWilliams and John held May 8, 2010. The location

Incumbents Mayor Ray Incumbents Tommy Ames, complete Vicki Dillard's term

Trustees currently serving the Hoyt Foster and John Fred

Kiwanis Club's Pancake Supper Thursday, 5 p.m. - 7 p.m.

Fund-Raiser is tonight, many projects. Thursday night, March 11, 5-7

We will accept donations above to steal the recipe for "M & M have a great time together!

Friday if you forget that the if you want to help the Kiwanis to us by Steve Mack some years Kiwanis Pancake Supper Club in an extra way with our ago. These will be in good

We have to struggle each year at heart". to keep our cooks and other You do not want to miss the workers since the big restaurants Abilene is supplying/donating the pancake and sausage—all you keep trying to hire our pancake mix again this year. can eat for the minimum donation experienced help away from The Kiwanis Club hope that you The general election will be of \$5 per person, \$3 for those 12 us—but, so far, we have managed will take part in great food and and under. (Children eating off to keep them from being lured fellowship tonight 5 p.m. to 7 their parent's plate will not be away by higher wages. And p.m. at the Cross Plains School numerous restaurants have tried Cafeteria. Bring some guests and

You're going to "kick yourself" the designated amount, however, Pancakes" that was handed down supply for all the kids and "young

The I-HOP Restaurant in

COMMUNITY SHOWER HONOREES—Carolyn and Bob Morgan.

TEA Party Meeting

New name, new day, same place Callahan County TEA Party will meet the second Thursday, March 11th at the Pizza House in Clyde at 7:00

Come, share, learn how to regain control of your great

Submitted by: Bill Richardson

BASEBALL Applications Need to Be Returned by FRIDAY, March 12

Applications have been handed out to all students in the Primary and Elementary Schools and are in the High School office for students to pick up.

If your child is not enrolled in school and would like to play, pick an application up at the Elementary or High School offices or call Scott Byrd at 254-725-6836.

Applications are due by Friday, March 12, 2010.

Cottonwood Volunteer Fire Control to Hold Bake Sale on March 13

The Cottonwood Volunteer Fire remaining 10 percent-about Control Group will hold a bake \$7,800. sale on Saturday, March 13, Proceeds from the bake sale will starting at 9 a.m. in front of go toward the new firetruck. Village Market.

Forest Service.

The grant will cover 90 percent to have the baked goods picked of the cost of the truck. The Fire up. Control Group needs to raise the

If you'd like to bake a pie or cake The group has been raising or other goodies for the bake sale, money for a new firetruck that's you can drop them off at the being built for Cottonwood, bake sale about 8:30-9:00 a.m. thanks to a grant from the Texas on Saturday morning or call 725-7281 to make arrangements

Our Best Friends "Full Bowls" Needs You

Our Best Friends "Full Bowls" invite you to share in the good will deed of helping us feed the dogs, immediately! Thank you for puppies, cats/kittens that make your support. You may send their homes with our senior and contributions to: disabled citizens of Cross Plains. We deliver dog/cat food to about 20 individuals. This enables these P.O. Box 340 or P.O. Box 187 friends to have their furry friends and enjoy them without the financial burden of feeding them.

Please help us help these furry friends keep their "bowls full".

acknowledged

Our Best Friends "Full Bowls" Cross Plains, TX 76443.

> Submitted by Connie Kirkham

Community Shower for the Morgan Family "A Beautiful Act of Kindness"

LOTS OF GIFTS—Family and friends were very generous at the Morgan shower.

By Vanda Anderson Editor

friends were in attendance at the and the most detailed of items Community Shower honoring were remembered by caring plans for another house, but their Bob and Carolyn Morgan individuals. Garden equipment, old home was being torn down Saturday afternoon. Their six hoses, hammers and so many Saturday. Their children were children and a host of household goods were provided. busy setting up bedroom grandchildren were supportive of home to fire.

sunflowers. The centerpiece lovely kitchen. which was planned to match the hostesses.

were displayed in three devastating because they are bedrooms of the Kirkham's home. difficult or sometimes impossible A large crowd of family and Amazingly duplications were few to replace.

the couple at this very difficult colors are provided and house. time following the loss of their everything is coordinated to match. Every room can be easily comes in handy sometimes!" Luscious finger foods plus organized as desired such as the punch and coffee were served sunflower accented kitchen items the time to assist. from a beautifully prepared table with apple pictures, etc. Flowing complemented with yellow together, this will make for a everyone who responded to their

One of the children had prepared Community" is quite a blessing! Carolyn's kitchen was a gift from a large beautiful frame with pictures of the family. The loss (See additional photo Page 10.)

A wonderful selection of gifts of photos is one of the most

The couple hasn't finalized It is so nice when the decor furniture, etc. in their temporary

> Bob remarked, "Having six kids What thoughtful children to take

> The Morgans are grateful to plight. Living in a "Caring

Tiffany Holland Sets New Personal **Best at Regional Power Lifting Meet**

Region 1 Girls Power Lifting medal to show for it. Meet last Saturday in Monahans. girls in your weight class.

A lot of hard work and lifting season where she excelled That total ranked her as the third dedication goes into preparation in every aspect of the meet. strongest IA lifter in all of Region for a power lifting meet. All of Every meet she went to she 1. Just to give you an idea of the that dedication and hard work walked away with new personal size of the region, it goes as far paid off for Tiffany Holland at the bests and, on several occasions, a west as El Paso, as far north as

A power lifting meet consists of Tiffany had a combined total of a squat, bench and dead lift in 645 pounds, over four and half Plains High School would like to which you compete against other times her own body weight. At the congratulate Tiffany on her regional meet she squatted 235, success and accomplishments Tiffany attended several meets benched 155 and dead lifted 265 throughout the 2010 power for a grand total of 655 pounds!

Perryton, as far east as Rising Going into the regional meet Star and as far south as Big Lake.

The coaching staff at Cross this season.

Commissioners approve onetime \$2,000 donation to **Cottonwood Fire Service**

The Callahan County Commissioners voted to donate a onetime amount of \$2,000 to the Cottonwood Volunteer Fire Service during the commissioners' court meeting held Monday, March 8th at the County Courthouse in Baird.

On a motion by Commissioner Cliff Kirkham and a second by Commissioner Bryan Farmer, the commissioners' court voted 5-0 to donate a onetime amount of \$2,000 to the Cottonwood Volunteer Fire Service.

Other agenda items brought before the commissioners' court

-Callahan County Judge Roger Corn called the regular commissioners' court meeting to order at 9:30 a.m. Those

present included Precinct #1 Commissioner Harold Hicks, Precinct #2 Commissioner Bryan Farmer, Precinct #3 Commissioner Tom Windham, Precinct #4 Commissioner Cliff Kirkham, County Treasurer Dianne Gunter, and County Clerk Donna Bell. Also attending the meeting was Tony Gage and Bill Richardson.

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

-Under public comment, there -Commissioner Windham

made a motion to participate with Taylor and Coleman Counties in a Court Technology Grant.

See Commissioners on Pg. 2

Texas Heritage "We're Proud of Our Local Heritage" **FDIC Presents:**

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Pastor Max Evans

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Bettie Ann Browne

Funeral services for Bettie Ann Browne, age 76, of Brownwood were held at 10 a.m. Sunday, March 7, 2010, at the Davis Morris Funeral Home Chapel with Paul Lawson officiating. Graveside followed at 1 p.m. in Paint Rock Cemetery in Concho County under the direction of Davis Morris Funeral Home.

Ms. Browne passed away Thursday morning March 4, 2010, in Brownwood.

Bettie was born October 14, 1933, in Brown County, to the late Charlie W. and Vera Ann (Wilkins) Robertson. She worked as a cook at the Plantation Nursing Home for many years and was a loving mother to her

Survivors include five children, Raymond Browne of Haysville, Kansas, Brenda Waters of Brownwood, Linda Snell of Cross Plains, Randy Browne of Brownwood, and Bobby Brown of Brownwood; 22 grandchildren; and 44 great-grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by two sons, Charlie and Ronnie Browne; two greatgrandchildren; and two brothers.

Lettie Belle Coggin

Morgan

Lettie Belle Coggin Morgan, 94, died in Seguin, Texas, Tuesday, March 2, 2010.

She was interred with her husband and daughter in Eastlawn Memorial Park in Early at 2 p.m. Saturday, March 6, with the Rev. Bruce W. Coggin, her nephew, officiating.

She was born in Indian Creek, Texas, the second child and only daughter of Rowland Wilson Coggin and Lida Belle Roberts Coggin. Raised and educated in Brownwood, she earned two degrees in Spanish from Howard Payne University. She was married to Edgar Lee Morgan in 1940 and bore a single daughter, Julia Lee Morgan Spikes, who predeceased her mother.

Mrs. Morgan was an active member of the Methodist Church all of her life, especially, First United Methodist in Brownwood and First United Methodist in Seguin. For years, she taught English and Spanish in both Cross Plains and Brownwood.

She is survived by a number of nieces and nephews.

Memorials contributions may be made to the First United Methodist Church, 710 N. Austin St., Seguin, TX 78155 or the First United Methodist Church, 2500 11th St., Brownwood, TX 76801. Contributions will go toward the purchase of Bibles for the confirmation class at each church.

Arrangements were under the direction of Davis-Morris Funeral

Lynn Dwayne Koenig

Lynn Dwayne Koenig, age 55, passed away Monday, March 1, 2010 at Baylor Medical Center in Grapevine. Funeral services were held at 2:00 p.m. Friday, March 5, 2010 at the First United Methodist Church in Cross Plains with Terry Simons officiating, assisted by Pastor Ronnie B. White. Burial followed in the Pioneer Cemetery in Eastland

He was born October 26, 1954 to L.D. and Martha Nan Koenig (McAdams) Brownwood, Texas. He graduated from Cross Plains High School. Lynn married Teresa Merrill on May 4, 1984 in Rising Star. He was a welder and was on the job when he passed away.

He is survived by his wife, Teresa Koenig of Pioneer; daughter Elizabeth Nan Wilson and husband J.D. of Shreveport, L.A.; sons, Cole Koenig and fiance Rebecca of Victor and Clay Koenig of Pioneer; two sisters, Mary Hutchins and husband Darvel of Brownwood and Jerry Johnson and husband Andy of Ranger; a twin brother, Eddie Koenig of Cross Plains; two grandchildren, Dylan and Jayton Wilson.

He was preceded in death by his \$474.45 restitution.

Pallbearers were Ricky Adams, Bruce Adams, Terry Fortune, Jerry Fortune, Tony Winfrey, Rex Beggs, Ronnie Ainsworth, Joey Billingsly, Melvin Lewis and Gene Hall. Honorary pallbearers were Steve Casey, Stephen Voyrer, Martin Sape, George Reis, Videl Castree, Butch Howard, Mike Moss, Pete Melton and David Hart.

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Courthouse News

probation, \$500 fine, \$303 court

Leslie M. Prickett, order

Tammie L. Dickson, order

dismissing motion to revoke

probation and amending con-

Tammy Champagne, order

Lenora Botts, request for

Civil Filings

Lance Hunter Cockerell and

Clint Howard Hicks and

John Allen Boles and Cynthia

April Dawn Gray Coats vs.

Civil Minutes

J P Morgan Chase Bank, NA

vs. Plummer Cattle Company,

LLC and Bill Plummer, filing

of foreign judgment, plaintiff to

recover the sum of \$77,719.74

Lance Wallace and Janet

Marie Sanford, divorce

Hudson & Keyse, LLC vs.

Phillip Wyane McAuthur and

Judy N. McAuthur, order of

dismissal without prejudice

Alaina Michelle Massey and

The State of Texas vs.

Freightliner truck VIN #

1FUPCSEB2WP941759, de-

Carissa Lea Harris and

fault judgment granted.

Christopher Lee Massey, di-

Clinton Ervin Coats, divorce.

Teresa Kay Hicks, divorce.

Ashley Rene Cockerell, di-

transfer from Taylor County to

Brown County granted.

amending conditions of proba-

ditions of probation granted.

amending conditions of proba-

costs, \$615.40 restitution.

tion granted.

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vorce.

Boles, divorce.

from defendant.

vorce granted.

granted.

CALLAHAN COUNTY **COURTHOUSE NEWS** Roger Corn, Presiding

Misdemeanor Minutes

John C. Jones, order amending conditions of probation granted.

Steven J. Lawlor, motion to dismiss to driving while license invalid (DWLI) granted in the interest of justice.

Bobby G. Keith, Jr., motion to dismiss to theft granted for plea to felony case.

42nd DISTRICT COURT John Weeks, presiding

Criminal Minutes

Jack I. Fanning, plea of guilty to driving while intoxicated (DWI), 12 years in prison, \$388 court costs.

Charlotte M. Mendez, order amending conditions of probation granted.

Laddie A. Morgan, order amending conditions of proba-

tion granted. Shane Powell, order amending conditions of probation granted.

Tod Wilson, motion to dismiss to assault on a public servant granted for plea to other case.

Lenora G. Botts, plea of guilty to theft, 4 year probation, \$500 fine, \$339 court costs, \$1787 restitution.

Jonathan J. Haley, order amending conditions of probation granted.

Bobby Keith, plea of guilty to forgery, 3 year probation, \$750 fine, \$339 court costs,

Kayla Parker, plea of guilty to burglary of a building, 4 year probation, \$1000 fine, \$303

court costs, \$615.40 restitution. Curtis Matthew Harris, order Cody Toler, plea of guilty to on petitioner's motion to disburglary of a building, 4 year miss granted.

Commissioners Continued from page 1

Commissioner Kirkham sec- ried with a 5-0 vote. onded the motion which then carried with a 5-0 vote.

a motion to pay the approved bills. Commissioner Hicks seconded the motion, which car-

—A motion was made by Commissioner Windham and sec-—Commissioner Farmer made onded by Commissioner Hicks to adjourn the commissioners' court meeting at 9:58 a.m. The motion carried with a 5-0 vote.

First Presbyterian Church

SUNDAY SERVICE 9:00 AM MUSIC- CONNIE SWIFT & BETTY LEWIS LEAD SINGERS: RHONDA SWIFT

AMANDA SOWELL MATT SOWELL Pastor Kathy Monroe 208 N. Ave. D 23-tín

First Baptist Church

Sunday School 9:30 am

Sunday **Morning Worship** 10:45 am

Sunday **Evening Worship** 6:30 pm

Wednesday

6:30 pm Prayer/Worship Youth Bible Study 6:30 pm Children Choir 6:30 pm

Ronnie B. White, Pastor

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COTTONWOOD NEWS

BEVERLY BROWN

This new supplement is a second the cookbook shipped. cookbook ring binder (labeled The Cottonwood Volunteer Fire the Community Center if it's not. volume 2), with more recipes, Control Group's Bake Sale is Cottonwood Cookbook and first Market. If you'd like to help out, Community Center. supplement. The Second you can drop your baked goodies Supplement should be available off at the Bake Sale on Saturday Community Center and at the the end of April.

Curls, the Cross Plains Review in Cottonwood.

The long-awaited Second 254-725-7369. They're \$20 Volunteer Fire Control Meeting Supplement to the Cottonwood for the cookbook, \$15 for the this coming Tuesday, March 16th Cookbook is off at the printers. supplement and \$4.50 if you need at 7 p.m. The meeting will be at

morning or call 725-7281 or Cemeteries on the last Saturday The Original Cottonwood 325-668-3865 to see if Gilbert can in April—that's the 24th. Cook-and The First stop by and pick them up from Everyone in the community is Supplement are still available. you on Friday. Proceeds of the invited to bring a dust rag, broom, You can get them at Texas Bake Sale go toward getting that rake and a sack lunch and help Heritage Bank, Connie's Cuts and new firetruck that we need here out. More details on the clean up

office, or by calling me at Don't forget-Cottonwood

the Firehouse if it's warm and at

Good Old Country Music photos and history inside. It'll Saturday-March 13th, starting and Chili and Stew Night is make a great addition to the at 9 a.m. in front of Village Saturday, March 27th at the

> We'll have a clean up day at the as the date gets closer.

LIBRARY NOTES

March 1-5, 2010

Patrons:		178
Programs:		64
LP	5	
LS	1	
ASAP	31	
Other	27	
Books Che	cked Out:	165
Copies:		22
Reference:		6
Internet U	sers:	74
Interlibrar	y Loan:	2

Book Donations: Loretta Gordezelik

Memorials: In Memory of Starr Alexander Appleton Clyde Class of 1966-67 Anonymous

Volunteers: Julene Franke Mary Weaver Norma Farmer Eva Fleming Diane Miller Helen Parson Suzy Stiver-Nash Arlene Stephenson Sue Bennett Beverly Ross Lavonne Childress Wilma Lawrence

working on two quilts, one for and Trisha's son, is living and their time hunting for lost keys, Barbara and Norma's nieces and working in Eastland. Glenda's. Glenda's quilt is one of Vernon's aunts that was pieced a and Laverne's youngest yesterday. but now it's not there! long time ago. We all had a good granddaughter, spent Saturday a It's gone! time Tuesday.

will make the wildflowers and Tuesday when the last snow fell. wheat beautiful.

a trip to Eastland for Laverne to so thankful for all the moisture. Dairy Queen. We always enjoy have some lab tests and then they home, they went by Carbon to see They have had a lot of practice.

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week ago with them. Jamie, Lynn Thank the Lord for our rain! It and Pam visited the Huttons on Logan had lunch with Glenda and Trisha and Laverne Hutton made beautiful winter. The Huttons are quilting ladies on Tuesday at the

Did you know that Cowan and them eating with us. Caleb keeps did some shopping. On returning Laverne are "great hunters"? us entertained!

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Through Good Times and Bad

Every generation has many opportunities to experience bad times.

A lie that is often spread among us is: "we should not have to put

up with bad times" or "we should just quit and walk-away." Lies

are easy to believe, but they are still lies and only make bad times

Truth: Bad times don't last. Life is filled with good times and

bad, ups and downs, winning and losing, good luck and bad, high moods and low moods. This is not bad news. Great insight,

learning, perseverance, and integrity can be gained from hard times,

Employees who go through rough times at work become higher

paid valuable assets to the company and their families. Those who

run away or quit just have to repeat the same rough time over

before they get to the next level. Husbands and wives who

tenaciously hold on through rough times give the gift of stability

to their children and can grow into a higher level love than they

could even imagine on their wedding day. Those who run away

Real life based on eternal truth is best demonstrated by Jesus

Christ. He teaches us that good times and bad times are both

because, hard times expose us to our real selves.

will only find more trouble right around the corner.

433 N. Main St.

The Quilting Ladies are the house where Anthony, Danny Seems they spend two-thirds of misplaced stuff, a lost this or that, Samantha Hutton, Cowan that was in its right place

Kali, Charlie and Caleb and Howard on Sunday. Kali and We've had both a cold and Caleb ate lunch with some of the



King Size Crochet Bedspread

Enter for a chance to win a king Drawing will be held March 31, bedspread was donated by am. Therennie McCrohan and was or 6 tickets for \$5.00.

size crochet bedspread! The 2010 at the Senior Center at 11:45

All money donated to benefit crocheted by Arlene Gillit Laney. the CP Senior Center to purchase Tickets are on sale now at the C.P. the following items: Wii Fit Senior Center! Come on over and (exercise activity), Big Screen TV get yours now....\$1.00 per ticket (for exercise and movies), Copier, new lights, and new ceiling tile.

Connie Kirkham, Donna Ames, and Whitney Odom

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SENIOR CITIZEN **CENTER ACTIVITIES:**

BY AMBER THOMAS

WEEKLY ACTIVITIES Monday, 15th- Movie Monday 10am, Cokes and Popcorn. Tuesday, 16th-11 am Exercise Class. Mexican Train Dominoes 10am. Last day to order Angel Food.

Wednesday, 17th-Sing Along w/Jacque and Gail. March Birthdays Celebrated. Free foot care clinic by Girling 12:30 pm. St. Patrick's Day Celebration

Thursday, 18th - 10 am Washer Tournament. 11:00 am Exer-

Friday, 19th- Bingo 12:30pm.

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

Delivery Drivers Needed to Help Deliver Meals

The Senior Center is looking for Monday's and Tuesday's. It takes meals.

a few great people to volunteer a about 45 minutes to deliver. If you few days a month to deliver are interested please call the center at 725-6521.

There are spots available on

Senior Center News Updates

Texas Heritage Bank, Cross 17th. Plains Elementary, Cross Plains Clinic, Girling Health Care, and knacks and home decor available City Hall.

crocheted spread is drawing near, affordable prices. March 31st at 11:45. You do not have to be present to win. Tickets Crockett and Becky Odom. Our are available at the Senior thoughts and prayers are with Center, \$1 each or 6 for \$5.

March birthdays will be Center.

The Breakfast Burrito celebrated March 17th, St. Fundraiser was a huge success. Patrick's Day. Also present will Many thanks to all the businesses be Girling Healthcare for free and numerous individuals for footcare, starting at 12:30. Mark your participation. These include your calendars for Wednesday the

There are many great knickat the center for sale. Come The drawing for the beautiful browse and select gifts at very

Get well wishes to Troy you, from all of us at the Senior

MARCH 15-19

toes, Peas/Carrots, Bread & Des- Coffee/Milk sert, Tea/Coffee/Milk

TUESDAY-Soft Tacos, Spanish tatoes, Carrots, Bread & Dessert, Rice, Refried Beans, Lettuce/ Tea/Coffee/Milk Tom/Cheese, Dessert, Tea/Coffee/

Dressing, Sweet Potatoes, Green

MONDAY-Salisbury Steak, Pota- Beans, Bread & Dessert, Tea/

THURSDAY-Steak Fingers, Po-

FRIDAY-Pimento Cheese Sandwich, Hamburger-Veggie Soup, WEDNESDAY-Chicken and Fruit, Dessert, Tea/Coffee/Milk

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What You Need to Know!



WHAT IS THE CENSUS? A count of the population of the United State of America.

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

WHO IS COUNTED?

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

IS IT EASY?

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

IS IT SAFE TO RESPOND TO THE QUESTIONNAIRE? All information provided to the Census is protected under Title 13, U.S.

Code, Section 9. The office of the Census does not share your personal data with the FBI, CIA, Immigration, the police, or even the President. Your information is only used for statistical purposes.

WHY IS THE CENSUS CONDUCTED?

The Constitution of the United States requires that every person who lives in the country is counted every 10 years. The first Census was conducted in 1790.

WHY IS IT IMPORTANT? Census data will help determine how more than \$400 billion in federal

funds is distributed annually to hospitals, schools, child care, school programs as well as the number of representatives every state has in the U.S. Congress.

Census Day is April 1, 2010



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deceivers and should not be sought or avoided. Life has both good times and bad but they are not the substance or building blocks of life. A life led by Jesus learns that Love is the ultimate; love that is willing to give to others even to the point of laying down ones life. Such a life always prospers through good times and bad. Sunday Morning Bible Class..9:45a.m. Sunday Evening Worship....6:00p.m. Sunday Morning Worship.....10:45a.m. Wed. Evening Bible Study...7:00p.m. Friends & Neighbors Caring In Jesus

254-725-6117

in the state's fight against litter. Dow Chemical Company is partnering with Keep Texas Beautiful to sponsor the 2010 Don't Mess with Texas Scholarship Program. High school seniors are encouraged to submit essays explaining how they tackled a litterrelated problem in their own school or community. The grand-prize winner will receive \$3,000 for college tuition, while two second-place winners will receive \$1,000

The Texas Department of Transportation spends millions of dollars each year to pick up litter along Texas highways, and research shows those most likely to litter are young

"If you don't tolerate litter, and if you've ever done something about it, you have a great shot at winning," said Doris Howdeshell, Travel Information Division director for the Texas Department of Transportation, which manages the Don't Mess with Texas Scholarship Program.

"Here at Dow, we know that ensuring the health and sustainability of our environment takes a commitment from everyone, but particularly our youth," said Community Relations Manager Trish Ritthaler. "We're proud to sponsor a program that encourages high school seniors to come up with great ideas for litter prevention while enabling the winners to get support in furthering their educations.'

Eligible high school seniors must plan to pursue a two- or four-year degree at a Texas university or college. Essays must be 350 words or less and will be accepted starting March 8. Apply online, download an application, and view complete

Completed applications and online or postmarked by April 16, 2010. Mailed entries Mess with Texas Scholarship Program c/o EnviroMedia

DontMessWithTexas.org. Tourney in Ranger. Their first essays must be submitted

Social Marketing at 1717 West 6th Street, Suite 400; Austin,



Garden Club Presented After

4-Cross Plains Review March 11, 2010

School Adventure Program The Cross Plains Garden Club a small container, which they presented the After School filled with potting soil, then was Adventure Program, or ASAP, allowed to pick a plant, and was last Wednesday at the Cross shown how to position the plant Plains Public Library. Members in the container. Information was Eva Fleming, Julene Franke, given about the type of sunlight Diane Miller, Mary Weaver and required, and how to water, and

Norma Farmer alternated giving how much water the plant needs. The members of the Garden the 31 attending children. Facts Club treated the children with a about learning to be a "green variety of yummy snack. The kids thumb" gardener and about left the library with their new "going green" while you garden plants, big smiles on their faces, were given. Each child received and a full tummy!

Planning Underway for Athletic Banquet

The Athletic Boosters are athletics make a collage of

gardening tips and information to

making plans for the Athletic pictures and memories to be Banquet on May 17. There is a displayed at the banquet. Directly meeting Monday, March 22 to after the banquet will be electing discuss the banquet. We will be new officers to start the next collecting pictures of the athletes. school year. This is very So, if you have pictures contact important for it takes many Shawna Guerrero or Donna volunteers to make the Athletic Ames, or bring them to the March Booster program successful for meeting. You will get your our athletes. If you have any pictures back ASAP. We are also questions feel free to contact an asking that the seniors in officer.

Callahan County 4-H **Photography Project Meeting**

Our County, District and State contests are just around the corner. To help us prepare for the upcoming contests, we will be having a photography project meeting on Monday, March 22, 2010 at 6:30 pm at the Callahan County Extension Office located on the second floor of the County

Courthouse. Each of you is asked to bring your 8 X 10 photos to this meeting and we will work with each of you to get them mounted to meet contest regulations. Remember your photos need to be 8X10 for this meeting. Just bring your photos and we will work together to mount photos to

meet contest guidelines. There is a \$5.00 fee for materials to mount and label your photos at this meeting. Cost for District Photos (Jr.&

Intermediate 4-Her) is \$5.00 for the first photo entered and \$1.00 for each additional photo.

Cost for State (seniors) Photos is \$10.00 each

This meeting will be the deadline to turn your photos into the Extension Office.

Make plans to attend on

March 22nd at 6:30 p.m. If you have any questions please contact the Extension

Office (325) 854-5835. Sincerely, Hoss Sasin, CEA-Ag

7th Grade Boys Track Results at DeLeon

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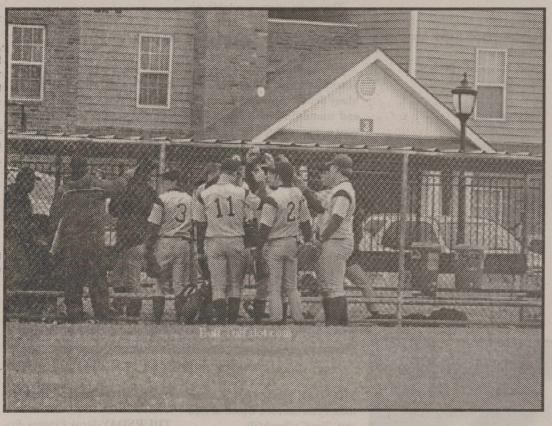
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Buffalo Baseball Update

The Buffalo Baseball team traveled to Abilene last Friday to play Abilene Christian High School. We were not as lucky weather-wise, as Friday was cool and cloudy, not warm like

The Buffaloes scored two runs hits and had 4 strike outs. in the 1st inning. Allen and Wheeler hit singles, Allen scored on a pass ball and Wheeler scored on Savell's fielder's choice.

Border started on the mound for seal the victory. the Buffs. ACHS scored one on 2

base hits. In their 2nd inning the Buffs single. Ford singled then French

scored on Allen's ground out. Wheeler hit a single. Border reached on an error and Wheeler scored on the error making the score Cross Plains 6 ACHS 1. Border pitched the first 3 innings

to pick up the win. He gave up 2

The Buffs scored 1 in the 4th inning. Ford doubled and scored on Wheeler's ground out. The Buffs scored 7 runs in the 5th to

Golson doubled, Ames walked and Golson scored on Hutchin's scored when Border was hit with a pitch. Savell hit a double to drive in the final 2 runs.

final score was Cross Plains 14

Tuesday for a single game, then Thursday they play in the Ranger game is Thursday at 9 a.m. The Buffs will play Friday (time is undetermined) but if they win or should be sent to the Don't lose they will play Thursday. See you at the games.

Coach Mitchell Atchley



Wheeler pitched the last 2 innings for the save. He gave up 1 hit and had 6 strike outs. The

ACHS 1.

The Buffs travel to Ranger

Submitted by

Spring March 15-19, 2010 Classes will resume on Monday, March 22, 2010 at

Regular Time Early Out At 11:00 A.M. on Monday, March 29, 2010 For U.I.L. Academic Meet Being Held At

> Cross Plains I.S.D. Busses Will Run At 11:10 A.M.

Classes Will Resume on Tuesday, March 30th at Regular Time

8th Grade Boys Track Results at **DeLeon 2nd in Team Total Points**

HJ	J. Branch 1st @ 5'4", McWilliams T-4th @ 4'6"
TJ	J. Branch 2nd @ 31', A. Jackson 3rd @ 28'6"
2400	Halsel 3rd @ 10:46
800	A. Jackson 4th @ 2:43
110 H	McWilliams 2nd @ 21.05, J. Branch 3rd @ 22.10
100	A. Jackson 2nd @12.81
800 R	Worcester, Perry, Halsel, Carpenter 6th @ 2:17
400	Willis 2nd @ 65.3
300 H	McWilliams 1st @ 50.0
1600 R	Willis, J. Branch, McWilliams, Jackson 2nd @ 4:2

High School Boys Track Results at Zephyr 3rd in Team Points

SP	Eisenbach 5th @ 37'8"
Disc	Adams 6th @ 97'
LJ	Wheeler 3rd @ 18'11.5", Haile 6th @ 17'11.75"
HJ	Senclair 3rd @ 5'8", Border 4th @ 5'6", Allen 5th @ 5'6'
PV	Border 2nd @ 10'
3200	C. Self 5th @ 13:06
400 R	Wheeler, Haile, Hutchins, Senclair 1st @ 47.09
110 H	P. Border 4th @ 21.06
100	C. Senclair 6th @ 12.03
800 R	Wheeler, Haile, Higgins, Allen 2nd @ 1:40.66
300 H	N. Craft 4th @ 48:97
200	B. Hutchins 5th @ 24.93
1600 R	Craft, Hutchins, Senclair, Ford 4th @ 4:01

Cancer Support Group offered by Cancer Services Network

ABILENE, Texas - Cancer Services Network, an agency of the United Way of Abilene, will offer 2 six- week Cancer Support Groups for those interested in learning to live beyond a diagnosis of cancer. If you or someone you know has cancer, this group is for you. When you have cancer, you have many things to think about. This group teaches you ways to help yourself and your family. You, your family and friends are welcome to attend. This group will meet weekly for six weeks to discuss topics relevant to dealing with a cancer diagnosis. One session will be offered on Tuesdays, March 16 to April 20, 2010 in the Perkins Room at the Hendrick Cancer Center located at 2000 Pine Street. Another session on Thursdays, March 18 through April 22, 2010 will be offered in the conference room at Texas Oncology - Abilene located at 1957 Antilley Road. The Cancer Support Groups will meet from 12:00 p.m. - 1:30 p.m. A light lunch will be provided.

Weekly topics include: Telling your Story, Dealing with Emotions, Thoughts and Feelings; Using Spirituality to

Cope with a Cancer Diagnosis; Communicating with your Family and Loved Ones; Communicating with your Medical Team; and Coping with the Side Effects of Cancer Treatment

Aimee Colley, LMSW, Social Worker at Cancer Services Network, will facilitate the groups. Mrs. Colley has over twelve years experience in the area of oncology. There is no charge associated with the support groups. Register by calling (325) 672-0040 or via e-mail <u>acolley@cancer</u> servicesnetwork.org. This program is made possible in part by a grant from the Cancer Prevention & Research Institute of Texas.

Cancer Services Network is a 501(c)(3) not-for-profit organization that provides emotional and financial support to underserved cancer patients and their families in a 19-county area of West Central Texas, including: Brown, Coleman, Callahan, Comanche, Eastland, Fisher, Haskell, Jones, Kent, Knox, Mitchell, Nolan, Runnels, Scurry, Shackelford, Stephens, Stonewall, Taylor and Throckmorton.

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Columbus Albany/ Breckenridge to Hold Bass

Tournament

The St. Jude Knights of Columbus Council #11638 of Albany/Breckenridge will be holding the Fifth Annual St. Jude Knights of Columbus Open Bass Tournament on Sunday, April 11, 2010 at Hubbard Creek Lake in Breckenridge. Tournament will begin at 6:00 a.m. and end at 3:30 p.m. Registration and check-in will begin at 4:00 a.m. and will take place at Sandy Creek Marina, approximately six miles west of Breckenridge. Fishermen can also register and check in on Saturday, April 10, 2010 from 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m., also at Sandy Creek Marina.

First place will be a guaranteed \$1000, with 2nd and 3rd place receiving a pay out based on the number of paid entries. There will also be a Big Bass Calcutta. \$5 from each paid entry will go to the Big Bass Calcutta. Entry fee for the tournament is \$40 per person if entry forms are received by April 7, 2010, and \$50 thereafter. Complete rules and entry forms can be obtained by calling Michael Sitts at 254-559-1967; Michael Salas at 254-522-1655; or Tony Baeza at 254-559-6778. Interested fishermen should call to get update on status of

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Knights of Texas Brigades summer camp registration continues

SAN ANTONIO - The Texas Brigades is currently accepting applications for its summer 2010 camps; both youth and adult are due April 1, 2010.

Youth are taught leadership skills and natural resources conservation at the camps, each of which are limited to 20-30 students from ages 13 through 17, said Dr. Dale Rollins, AgriLife Extension Wildlife Specialist at San Angelo and the concepts originator.

"The camps are designed to develop life skills such as critical thinking and teambuilding through fun and interesting activities that focus on a particular game species," Rollins said.

"As I reflect on my career, the dividends I've witnessed from the Brigades camps are not only professionally rewarding, but they also stoke my fires daily to push for conservation education," he said.

And I believe those same sentiments apply to each and every one of the 100 or so volunteers who assist with the various camps.

"A lot of high school students aspire to find a career in wildlife management, but the field has always been highly competitive. Participation in the Brigade camps offers them a chance to get not only a taste for such careers, but also to develop a network of contacts who can help them achieve their career goals. The Brigades network is one big

Camp dates and locations: - 11th Battalion South Texas Buckskin Brigade - Carrizo Springs, June 13-17.

18th Battalion Rolling Plains Bobwhite Brigade - Coleman, June 19-23.

- 13th Battalion South Texas Bobwhite Brigade Campbellton, June 27-July 1.

5th Battalion Bass Brigade -Santa Anna, July 12-16. 9th Battalion North Texas Buckskin Brigade - Albany,

July 18-22. Parents love the program, said Helen Holdsworth, San Antonio-based Texas Brigades

"We receive many positive reports back from cadets and parents about the Brigades. One father sent a letter recently thanking us for having such an influence on his daughter," Holdsworth said.

Executive Director.

The father wrote, "Her development, manifested by her newly-heightened initiative, competitiveness and motivation, is in large part to be attributed to her Brigade journey,"

A young man, who attended both the Bobwhite and Buckskin Brigades, is attending the University of Alabama at Birmingham majoring in political science, Holdsworth said.

"He received a 4.0 last semester and credits many of the lessons he learned at camp in helping him be successful in college. We are not just educating Texas youth about wildlife," she said. "We are developing the future leaders of Texas and the nation."

The camps are a partnership effort of the Texas Wildlife Association, the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department, U.\$. Department of Agriculture's Resources Natural Conservation Service, several universities, conservation groups, local soil and water conservation districts, private businesses and individuals with an interest in wildlife and leadership vouth development. Tuition is \$300 per cadet per camp, but sponsors are available to provide financial aid when needed, Rollins said.

"We're also always looking for highly motivated adults from 20 to 60 years of age who are willing to serve as 'covey' 'school' or 'herd' leaders," Rollins said. "They'll get a oneof-a-kind intensive workshop in the game species they choose. But even better, they'll get a full helping of appreciation and optimism about today's youth and what a powerful impact they can have on conservation."

Applications may be completed online or downloaded at www.texasbrigades.org . All applications must be postmarked before April 1, 2010. For more information, contact Holdsworth h holdsworth@texaswildlife.org or Kassi Scheffer at kscheffer@texas-wildlife.org at 800-TEX-WILD or 210-826-

AEP Texas named a **Tree Line** USA

The Arbor Day Foundation has named AEP Texas a Tree Line USA Utility. This program is sponsored by the Arbor Day Foundation in cooperation with the National Association of State Foresters and recognizes utilities that meet three requirements: a program of quality tree care, annual worker training in quality tree care practices, and a tree planting and public educa-

tion program. "Across America, people are recognizing and celebrating how vital trees are to our cities and towns," John Rosenow, chief executive of the Arbor Day Foundation, said. "Trees help reduce peak demand by conserving energy. They also clean the air and water, increase property value and make our homes more

comfortable living places." "Tree Line USA utilities deserve recognition for their commitment to providing safe, efficient service, while helping protect and preserve community

trees," said Rosenow "One of the greatest objectives

of Tree Line USA, and a major contribution of the program, is replacing the outdated line-clearance practice of topping trees with natural pruning. Natural pruning trains trees to grow around wires and retain more of their natural form. This results in healthier trees and reduced clearance costs for utility companies, since natural pruning can be done less frequently than

The Arbor Day Foundation, a nonprofit education organization, is dedicated to tree planting and environmental stewardship.

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Congressman Neugebauer supports **Wounded Warriors Program**

DC Washington, Congressman Randy Neugebauer announced today that his Abilene office is now accepting applications for a District Representative/ Constituent Caseworker via the Wounded Warrior Program. The Wounded Warrior Program works to place wounded veterans with a 30 percent or higher disability rating into fellowship positions with interested Members of

Project has a noble mission that directly benefits combat veterans who have been severely injured while protecting our freedoms and liberties. When our wounded veterans return home, they very much want to continue to contribute to our great country in a meaningful way. The Wounded Warriors Program gives them the opportunity to

"I look forward to partnering with this program and increasing our success in reaching out to and helping wounded warriors and their families."

Wounded Warrior Program The Wounded Warrior Program was established to create fellowships that provide employment opportunities

within the House of Representatives. The fellowships will provide veterans with experience and exposure to ultimately broaden their scope of transition opportunities. A position is currently available in Congressman Neugebauer's Abilene Office.

Applicants must have served on active duty since September 11, 2001. Any disabled veteran who has received either a Memorandum "The Wounded Warriors Rating of 30 percent or greater from their service Physical Evaluation Board or a VA service-connected disability rating of 30 percent or greater will be eligible to apply for positions with this program. Candidates for employment must have been honorably discharged and possess a high school diploma or GED certificate.

> Along with a current resume, please submit a DD214 and a letter from the VA indicating that you have a 30% or greater rating. All resumes and supporting documentation can emailed housewoundedwarriors@mail.house.gov. If you would like to learn more about the Wounded Warrior Program, I encourage you to visit the official House website.



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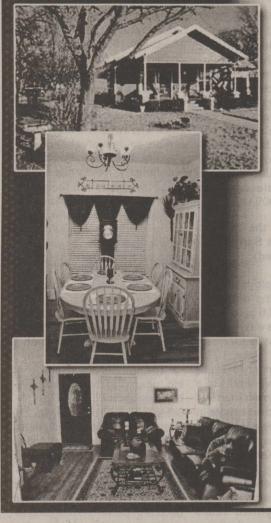
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KEYNOTE SPEAKER AT KIWANIS—David Estes on the left with Charles Rodenberger, president-elect, gave the Kiwanis an update on the Chamber of Commerce activities and the efforts for the Housing Authority to sell the house built across the street from the high school. He also gave advance information on new banking regulations that will affect debit and ATM transactions beginning in July. Julie Worcester applied for membership. The pancake supper will be March 11 from 5-7 p.m. at the school cafeteria. The Kiwanis meet every Tuesday at noon at Jean's Feed Barn and everyone is invited.

Texas Employers Add 30,300 Jobs in January

today by Labor Department after weather delay

AUSTIN Total nonagricultural employment in Texas increased by 30,300 jobs in January. Texas has gained nearly 38,000 jobs in the last four months, while the nation lost 295,000 over the same four-month period.

"Texas employers have added jobs in three of the last four months across a wide variety of industries," said Texas Workforce Commission (TWC) Chairman Tom Pauken. "Meanwhile, the nation as a whole lost jobs in January."

Texas recorded job gains in six of the 11 major industries in January. Professional and Business Services added 20,900 jobs in January, and Leisure and Hospitality employment increased by

6,300 jobs. "Job gains over the past several months can offer more opportunities to the many Texans still out of work," said Commissioner Representing Labor Ronny Congleton. "TWC's online jobmatching Web site, WorkInTexas.com, can help connect Texas job seekers with

available jobs. In January, Trade, percent.

Texas job growth data released Transportation, and Utilities gained 5,200 jobs, and Education and Health Services employment increased by 3,000, for a total of 54,300 jobs over the year. Manufacturing employment registered a monthly increase for the first time in 19 months by gaining 1,800 jobs in January.

"For the first time in more than a year, the Manufacturing industry recorded job gains, which is encouraging," said Commissioner Representing the Public Andres Alcantar. "Education and Health Services employment continued to increase in January, adding jobs in 11 of the past 12 months."

Texas Unemployment Rate Data Released on Thursday, March 4, 2010 Unchanged by Weather Delay

The Texas seasonally adjusted unemployment rate remained at 8.2 percent in January, unchanged from a revised 8.2 percent in December 2009, and continued to trend well below the U.S. seasonally adjusted unemployment rate of 9.7 percent. The Texas seasonally adjusted unemployment rate

Unemployment Rate Stands at 8.2 Percent in January

AUSTIN -The Texas seasonally adjusted unemployment rate remained at 8.2 percent in January, unchanged from a revised 8.2 percent in December 2009, and continued to trend well below the U.S. seasonally adjusted unemployment rate of 9.7 percent. The Texas Civilian Labor Force continued to grow in January, reaching its highest level ever at 12.1 million workers.

"The Texas unemployment rate held steady over the past two months at 8.2 percent and remained lower than the national rate of 9.7 percent," said Texas Workforce Commission (TWC) Chairman Tom Pauken.

In January, the Amarillo Metropolitan Statistical Area (MSA) experienced the lowest unemployment rate in the state at 6.0 percent (not seasonally adjusted), followed by the Lubbock MSA and the Midland MSA, both with 6.2 percent. The unemployment rate stood at 6.4 percent in the College Station-Bryan MSA.

Labor Department Delays Job Growth Data Release Due to Inclement East Coast

The U.S. Department of Labor Bureau of Labor Statistics has informed TWC Labor Market and Career Information of a delay in the release of the seasonally adjusted Current Employment Statistics (CES) due to inclement weather on the eastern coast of the United States. CES data provide information on job growth in Texas and in each major Texas industry. At this time, TWC has not been notified of a time estimate when the data will be available.

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TEXAS Callahan County's jobless rate rises in January to 6.4%

The unemployment rate in Callahan County rose six-tenths of one percent to 6.4 percent in January 2010, according to jobless figures released Friday. March 5th by the Texas Workforce Commission. The unemployment rate in Callahan County in December 2009 was 5.8 percent.

Of the 7,251 civilian labor force in Callahan County, 6,786 were employed during January 2010, and 465 were unemployed, giving the county an unemployment rate of 6.4%. The county's unemployment rate one year ago in January 2009 was 4.9%.

Callahan County's unemployment rate was 5.8% in December 2009. Of the 7,214 civilian labor force in the county during December, 6,798 had jobs while 416 or 5.8% were unemployed.

Previous monthly jobless rates in Callahan County included: 5.9% in November 2009, 6.4% in October, 6.3% in September, 6.1% in August, 6.7% in July, 6.7% in June, 5.7% in May, 4.9% in April, 5.0% in March, and 4.9% in February, according to the unemployment figures.

Big Country area counties, bordering Callahan County, and the counties' unemployment rates for January 2010 include: Brown, 7.6%; Coleman, 7.7%; Eastland, 8.5%; Jones, 8.6%; Runnels, 9.9%; Shackelford, 5.3%; Stephens, 7.8%; and Taylor County, 6.5%.

The Abilene MSA (Metropolitan Statistical Area) unemployment rate, which includes Taylor, Callahan and Jones Counties, stood at 6.7% in January 2010, according to the Texas Workforce Commission. Abilene's Combined Labor Force is 83,800. There were 78,200 employed during January 2010, while 5,600 were unemployed, giving the Abilene MSA an unemployment rate of

The Abilene MSA reported the workforce was 83,300 in December 2009, with total employment of 78,300 in December, while 5,000 were unemployed in

The Abilene MSA unemployment rate for January 2009 was 5.2%, with the total workforce at 81,800, with 77,600 employed and 4,200 unemployed in January 2009.

The state's unemployment rate

UNEMPLOYMENT

Callahan County Unemployment	Dec. 5.8%	Jan. 6.4%
Total Labor Force	7,214	7,251
Total Employed	6,798	6,786
Total Unemployed	416	465

was 8.6 percent. Last month's was 8.0 percent. The state's unemployment rate in January of 2009 was 6.8 percent.

The United States unemployemployment rate for the previous month of December 2009 ago in January 2009 was 8.5%.

Highlights of the Texas Labor Force (Not Seasonally Adjusted)

The Texas unemployment rate increased six-tenths of a percentage point to 8.6 percent for January 2010. This was recorded employment rate since 1976. This year's December-to-Januline with the 10-year-average December-to-January change. a rate of 10.6 percent. This made to January. 31 consecutive months that the

panded by 66,500 persons for The highest unemployment rates an estimate of 12,094,200 in was in the McAllen-Edinburg-January. This month's Civilian Mission MSA with a January Labor Force was ranked as the estimate of 12.2 percent.

for the month of January 2010 highest recorded since 1976. Since January 2009, Texas has statewide unemployment rate added 356,100 persons into the Civilian Labor Force.

• The number of jobholders in January 2010 was estimated to be 11,049,800, a decrease of ment rate for January 2010 was 20,100 persons from December 10.6 percent. The nation's un- 2009. The 10-year-average December-to-January change was a loss of 83,800 persons. Since was 9.7%. The United States last January, Texas has added unemployment rate one year 112,300 Texans into the ranks of the employed population. The number of unemployed in January increased by 86,600 from month-ago levels for an estimate of 1,044,400. The previous January, Texas added 126,000 people into the ranks of the unemployed population. This marked the first time that the number of unemployed peras the third highest January un- sons was recorded above one million persons.

• The number of those receivary change was five-tenths of a ing unemployment insurance percentage point lower than last benefits declined by 3,600, toyear's change and was more in taling 207,800 persons. In the Metropolitan Statistical Areas (MSAs), 16 experienced a de-Since January 2009, the rate cline in continued claim activmoved upwards by 1.8 percent- ity, eight MSAs increased, and age points. The national unem- one remained unchanged. The ployment rate surpassed the Midland MSA had the largest Texas unemployment rate's decline in persons continuing to over-the-month change by three-receive unemployment benefits tenths of a percentage point for at -9.6 percent from December

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benefits. Congress approved this deadline extension before qualified claimants faced a gap in receiving benefits. Claimants should continue to request unemployment benefit payments on their scheduled

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unemployment benefits may find updated information on their claims at http:// ui.texasworkforce.org, or by calling UI Tele-Serv at

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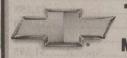
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Cattlefax's Randy Blach to discuss cattle market

Fort Worth, Texas -A stateof-the-industry review of the cattle market will be presented at the Texas and Southwestern Cattle Raisers Association (TSCRA) 133rd Annual Convention March 19th-21st in Fort Worth, Texas. Randy Blach, executive vice president, CattleFax, will address the crowd on Sunday, March 21st, from 10 a.m. - 11

"Grain prices are moderating, exports seem to be on a roller coaster and the cow herd is contracting," said TSCRA President and rancher Dave Scott. "Randy Blach will be here to help guide cattle producers on potential risks and discuss ways to manage and protect their bottom lines."

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A BEAUTIFUL SPREAD—piled high with lots of goodies and flowers to match the theme at the community shower. (Photos courtesey of Vanda Anderson)

Fifth Annual Clyde Woman's Club Fish Fry is March 27th

annual Tour of Homes every

December, and proceeds from

that fund-raiser go toward two

\$1,000 college scholarships pre-

sented to two Clyde High School

The Woman's Club represen-

tative said many area businesses

help to keep the fish fry costs

down thanks to their generous

donations. Those businesses

donating to this year's fish fry

include: Attorney Andrew

senior girls.

The Clyde Woman's Club fifth annual Fish Fry will be held on Saturday, March 27th at the Clyde Woman's Club Building located on South First and Rusk Streets in Clyde

This year's fish fry will be held from 11:00 a.m. until 7:00 p.m. Advance ticket prices are \$7.50 for adults and \$3.50 for children 4-12 years of age. Ticket prices at the door the day of the fish fry are \$8.00 for adults and \$4.00 for children 4-12 years of age.

Clyde Woman's Club representative Belinda Ancinec said this year's fish fry will include the usual menu items, including all-you-can eat fish, Word Estes' famous pinto beans, french fries, hush puppies and cole slaw. Water and tea will also be served. Club members will also provide homemade peach cobbler included in the meal, however it is not all-you-can-eat.

Those attending made dine in the day of the event or takeout orders will also be available.

Tickets for this year's fish fry are available at Estes Real Estate, Russell-Surles Title Company, First Financial Bank-Clyde, First National Bank-Baird/Clyde, the Clyde Journ or from any Woman's Club

The Clyde Woman's Club will again provide meals to both nursing homes in Clyde and Baird, courtesy of First Financial-Bank, and First National Bank-Baird/Clyde.

Proceeds from this year's fish fry will go toward the upkeep of the Clyde Woman's Club build-

The Clyde Woman's Club Fish Fry Committee is made up of the Executive Board of the Woman's Club, the Board of Directors and the Building Maintenance Committee.

According to Ancinec, the annual fish fry is one of only two fund-raising projects held annually by the Woman's Club. She said the other fund-raiser is the

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