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Local Key Club Members serve at Mardi Gras

Raise the Roof, One Brick at a Time
The Cross Plinis Economic
Develeoment
CConoration and the City of Cross Plains need
the help of it's community members. The city has laid the for community use in Treadway
Park located on the west side of Cross Plains on Highway 36 .
Funds are needed to erect the actual pavilion over the
concrete slab. This pavilion
will be in addition to the small covered stage and open area
with surrounding benches already in place. The new
structure will be 2600 square feet $\left(60^{\prime} \times 40^{\prime}\right)$ and will
electric lighting available.
With its majestic With its majestic trees and
scenic surroundings, Treadway Park has been the home of
Homecoming dances, Fourth of July Celebrations, Barbarian Festivals, rodeos, weddings, events. The new structure will and will be available for ecreational/personal use for
ow to no cost. The space will
俍 for private events, as well as
general open use throughout

## Early voting now underway for Party Primary Elections

| Early votingfortheDemocratic | polls open from 7:00 a.m. unt |
| :---: | :---: |
| and Republican Primary | 7:00 p.m. on |
| Elections is underway now | All Callahan County vote |
| at three voting locations in |  |
| Callahan County. | ny of the voting locations, |
| The Democratic \& Republic |  |
| Primary Election early voting |  |
| locations in Callahan County |  |
| include Room \#102 at the. |  |
| County Courthouse in Baird, | seven Callahan County voting |
| the Clyde Justice of the Peace |  |
| office on Oak Street and the | website: callahancounty.org. |
| Cross Plains Justice of the |  |
| Peace office located on | Cross |
| Main Street. | Cross |
| Early voting hours are from | Plains |
| 8:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m. and |  |
| voters are reminded the offices |  |
| are closed during the lunch hour. | Boar |
| hour. <br> Early voting will continue |  |
| for both Democratic and |  |
| Republican Primary Elections | Announ |
| through Friday, February 26 | eryl Pta |
| Early voting will not take place | application for |
| on Saturday, February 20th | Plains I.S.D. School B |
| and Sunday, February 21 st. | ents John |
| he Democratic $\mathcal{E}$ Republica | Incumbents John McWilliams and Roy Richey have also |
|  |  |

## Asphalt Scam in the Cross Plains Area



Where: Jean's Feedbarn.

would like to see utilized in ou

## Deadline to file approaching

February 19th is the last day
to fire for a position on the Cross Plains City Council election
be held on May 7th, 2016 . Pesitions on this year's
pallot include those of Mayor Ray Purvis, Councilman Bob


## Kiwanis Builds Ramps for Local Residents


the car is now a little easier
for some Cross Plains area residents, thanks to a group of
dedicated volunteers from the dedicated volunteers from the
Cross Plains Kiwanis who have teamed up
Project.
Volunteers give up their
Saturdaysand sometimeduring g the week to build wheelchair ramps for folks who are in need. The project is designed of help increase the mobility individuals, as well as, provide
a safe access in and out of their homes for themselves, Meals on Wheels deliveries, Home Health
Care visits and for friends and Care visits and for friends and
relatives who come by to visit. The Cross Plains Kiwanis
The
have embraced this worthwile have embraced this worthwhile
community service project community service project
and will be building more ramps in the Cross Plains area. Volunteers are welcome to
come and help build the ramp come and help build the ramps.
Arnie Smith, Bob Ossowski,
Adrian Allen and Roy Boyd Are all local individuals who
volunteerwiththe buildie volunteer with the building while
Susan Schaefer handles all the Susan Schaefer handles all the or gende.
 your health carect.0rof anssional or
social worker fill out the Client social worker fill out the Client
Referral Form. The Texas Ramp Project
began in Dallas in 2006 as the Degan in Dailas in 2006 as the
Dallas Rap. Project. Since volunteers have built over 3,988 ramps, totaling 107,739 reet, or about 20 miles of ramps
for residents. The Texas Ramp Project
Vision: Our vision is that no
Texas resident shall lack safe access to and from his or her home because of financial
limitations. Their Mission: The (3) nomprofoject is a 501 (c) whose mission is to establish regional wheelchair rampbuilding programs across
Texas. The regional Ramp
Project Projects provide free wheelchair ramps to elderly and disabled
clients in need identified by local health care professionals. Ramps are built without regard or gender.

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## Church Directory

\section*{COTTONWOOD BAPTIST CHURCH Sorning Worship <br> Ministry Activities <br> | Youth Meet at Pool House |  | 6:30PM |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Thomas Estes, Pastor |  |
|  | Gregg Steinle, Youth Pastor |  |
| Friendly Church | Church (254) 725-6266 | Bible Teaching |


| Triple Cross Cowboy Church <br> Every Sunday at 10:30 am Services held at 18071 CR 421, Cross Plains |
| :---: |
| $\pm \pm \quad \begin{gathered} \text { Al Taylor, Preacher } \\ \text { Phone: } 254+25-7522 \\ \text { Cell Phone: } 325-37-6680 \end{gathered}$ |

## Pioneer Baptist Church

$\left.\begin{array}{|cc|}\hline \text { Pastor: } & \begin{array}{c}\text { Music Director: } \\ \text { Barbara Jo Medley }\end{array} \\ \text { Dwaine Clowers } & \text { Sunday School....................................10:00am }\end{array}\right\}$

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Pastor: Wayne Lenz
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Sunday Morning Worship...11:00 am
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## First Baptist Church

Sunday Morning_ Sunday Evening 10:45 a.m. 6:30 p.m.

Sunday School
9:30

## Wednesday

6:30 pm Prayer/Worship
Student \& Children Ministries 6:30 p.m

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Evening Worship: 5:00P.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

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## COME CELEBRATE <br> Pucille Payne Day <br> with the

First Baptist Church of Cross
Plains
where we commemorate Lucille's
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Rose Canal
February 23 Mike Ingam
Davis Plumlee Ronald Holmans Patsy Ruth Day

February 24 Mrs. Marillyn Mitchel Fredda Jean Wilson yames Payne James Payne
Joshh Thayer Jerry Biehl Mary Hubbard Karen Hubbard Karen Archer Richard Clark
Authur Larkin

February 25 Brenda Wood
Madie Brown ElWanda Jennings David Havener Colby Walker Romana Lewis
Chase Ryan Hunter Joaquin Montreal
Matthew Lee Christin (Hyles) Bullock

February 26 Georgia Townson
Mrs. Anse Barr JaDeana Nolan Connie Young
Nathan Bryan Micheal J. Quinn Jason Collier
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February 27
Thalia W. Robertson Ella Duncan
Shawn Reed Don Gosnell
Patrick Joseph Conlee
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Tom Melton

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inancial expenses

Love Fund
Darby Nichols
at Texas Heritage Bank
to help with expenses

## Love Fund

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Rickey Thom::
at Texas Heritage Bank

Love Fund
Sherryl Goble has been set up at for medical expenses

Love Fund
for Lisa Floyd
has been set up at for medical expenses

Cross Plains 4H Thanks our community with special Valentine's treat


4H Kids with City officials, Cross Plains Police Dept., City Workers, Vol. Fire Dept., and Ems.,


The Cross Plains 4 H visited the Firehouse on Friday, February 12 th with armloads of cakes, cupcakes, brownies, cookies and other sweets for the firefighters and EMS personnel. The kids baked the items themselves to show their appreciation for the emergency responders. The group toured the firehouse and looked at the firetrucks. Fire Chief Rickey Carouth, Assistant Fire Chief Byron McNutt, Rural Fire Chief Les Cowan, Lotis, Senior Firefighter J.D. Huddleston and EMS Attendant Heather ee greeted the 4 H Group.


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check. Insurance, Dental, Paid check. Insurance, Dental, Paid
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## LEGAL NOTICE

 LEGAL NOTICEREQUEST FOR SEALED PROPOSALS

ByorderoftheCommissioners'
Court of Callahan County, Texas and pursuant to Section 271.116 of the Texas Loca
Government Code proposals for the Window Restoration and Electrical
System Repairs, System Repairs, Callaha
County Courthouse Callaha County, Texas, will be receive at the office of the County Judge in Callahan County Callahan County Courthouse,
100 W .4 th St., Ste. 200, Baird 100 W. 4th St., Ste. 200, Baird
Texas 79504 until $9: 00$ am on Monday, March 14, 2016. Proposals received after the time indicated will be returned

## unopened. There will b

conference at $10: 00 \mathrm{am}$ on Monday, March 7, 2016 to be held in the County Courtroom
in the Courthouse, 100 W 4th St., Baird, Texas 79504 Electronic copies of the Plans and Specifications are
available to the prospective available to the prospective
bidders by request to Komatsu Architecture; contact both Gordon Marchant (gmarchante
komatsu-inc.com) AND Kelli komatsu-inc.com) AND Kel
Dilday (kdilday@komatsu-inc. Dilday (kdilday@komatsu-inc
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to the prospective bidder e-mail to the prospective bidder e-mail
address. Sealed proposals address. Sealed proposals
must be addressed to Callahan must te addressed to Callahan
County, Attn: Hon. Judge Roger Corn, Callahan County Judge,
100 W. 4th St. Ste. 200 100 W. 4th St., Ste. 200, Baird, Texas 79504 (Tel 325854 -
5805). Sealed proposals must 5805). Sealed proposals must
be in the office of the County Judge on or before 9:00 am
on Monday, March 14, 2016 on Monday, March 14, 2016
in a sealed envelope in a sealed envelope plainly
marked "Proposal for Callahan County Window Restoration
and Electrical System Repairs". and Electrical System Repairs".
The proposals will be opened by The proposals will be opened by

an officer of the County in the Commissioners' Court meeting | $\begin{array}{l}\text { on Monday, March 14, } 2016 \text { at } \\ \text { 9:30 am. } \\ \text { 22/44c }\end{array}$ |
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## The Recipe Corner

Buffalo Chicken Lasagna
Time: 1 hour, 40 Minutes Cook Time: 40 minutes + standing

## Ingredients:

* 1 tablespoon canola oil
*-1/2 pounds ground chicken
1 small onion, chopped
* 1 celery rib, finely chopped
* 1 large carrot, grated

1 can ( $14-1 / 2$ ounces) diced tomatoes,
drained
1 bottle (12 ounces) Buffalo wing sauce

* $1 / 2$ cup water
$1-1 / 2$ teaspoons Italian seasoning
$1 / 2$ teaspoon salt
9 lasagna noodies
1 carton ( 15 ounces) ricotta cheese

$1-3 / 4$ cups ( 7 ounces) crumbled blue cheese, divided
$1 / 2$ cup minced Italian flat leaf parsley
1 egg, lightly beaten

1. In a Dutch oven, heat oil over medium heat. Add chicken, onion, celery and carrot; cook and stir until meat is no longer pink and vegetables are tender. Add garlic; cook
2 minutes longer. Stir in tomatoes, wing sauce, water, Italian seasoning, salt and 2 minutes longer. Stir in tomatoes, wing sauce, water, Italia
pepper; bring to a boil. Reduce heat; cover and simmer 1 hour
Meanwhile, cook noodles according to package directions; drain. In a small bowl,
mix the ricotta cheese, $3 / 4$ cup blue cheese, parsley and egg. Preheat oven to $350^{\circ}$, mix the ricotta cheese, $3 / 4$ cup blue cheese, parsley and egg. Preheat oven to $350^{\circ}$. Spread $1-1 / 2$ cups sauce into a greased $13 \times 9$-in. baking dish. Layer with three noodles,
$1-1 / 2$ cups sauce, $2 / 3$ cup ricotta mixture, 1 cup mozzarella cheese, $2 / 3$ cup cheddar $1-1 / 2$ cups sauce, $2 / 3$ cup ricotta mixture, layers twice.
cheese and $1 / 3$ cup blue cheese. Repeat lay
Bake, covered, 20 minutes. Uncover; bake 20-25 minutes longer or until bubbly and cheese is melted. Let stand 10 minutes before serving. Yield: 12 servings.


## Residential \& Lake Property

Lot 100 Oak Pt Dr, Lake B'wood-Gated community, elm \&Reduced... $\$ 8,000$ Lots at 232 SW 4th, CP-Nice homesite! Well maintained w/ oaks........... $\$ 9,000$ 307 E 19th, Cisco-4 UNDER CONTRACT erlaged hm on prop....... $\$ 12,000$ Lot at 423 N Ave A, CP-Pecan trees, $3 / 4$ of a block, will diviReduced. $\$ 14,000$ 225 S Ave A, CP-3BR-1.5B,1,116 sq ff frame hm, mature trees............... $\mathbf{\$ 2 5 , 0 0 0}$
406 3rd, Blanket-4BR-1B hm - SO LID shain link fence.................. $\mathbf{\$ 2 9 , 9 0 0}$ 406 3rd, Blanket-4BR-1B hm.w.SOILD shain link fence.................. $\mathbf{\$ 2 9 , 9 0 0}$ 733 N Ave E-CP-3BR/2B hm, 1 bl from school,lg yard................................... $\$ 39,500$ 520 Pine, Ranger-3BR-1 3/4B, C/H/A, hardwood floors in living room.... $\$ 49,000$ 9955 FM 1079-Charming older 3BR-2B hm,needs TLC,bam, well............. \$49,000 210 S Miller St, RS-2BR-1B, 1319 Sq Ft, 2 lots, shop, 2 wells.................. $\$ 49,500$ 1412 Bliss, Cisco-Potential income prop! 3BR-2B, lg backyard............... $\$ 49,900$ 708 E 1st St, CP-3BR.1.5B, w/metal roof, garden, mature trees.............. $\$ 64,900$ 7776 Bay Oaks Dr, Lake B'w UNDER CONTRACT er Bay............... $\$ 69,000$ NEW! 301 N Ave F, CP-4BR-2B DW, covrd porch, lrg lot, mtl shop....... $\$ 85,000$ NEW! 3820 Country S UNDER CONTRACT B, lots of upgrades...... $\$ 99,900$ 157 Oak Tree, Lake Cisco-Spacio SOLD 2BR-2B w/ private dock $\$ 169,500$

Commercial Property
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Texas Prepaid Tuition Program enrollment deadline approaches
seeking to lock in the cost of undergraduate tuition and required fees at Texas public colieges and universities are
urged to enroll their children in the Texas Tuition Promise ande prior to the close of he current enroilment
which ends on Feb. 29. The Texas Tuition Prom Fund, the state's prepaid colliege tuition program, allows
participants to purchase tuition units based on current prices and avoid future increases uition cost of undergraduate equired fees at Texas public colleges and universities. "Families concerned about the rising costs of higher education can lock in today's rates at
Texas public colleges and Texas public colleges and
universities by prepaying tuition universities by prepaying tuition
and school-wide required fees and school-wide required fees
hrough the Promise Fund," Hegar said. "The plan has
that gives Texas parents and
grandparents the flexibility they need to plan ahead and provide
future opportunities for their future opportunities for the
children and grandchildren," Under the plan, families can prepay tuition and school
wide required fees year degree fees for a four community college or just few semesters at Texas public colleges and universities Enrollment in the prits. 2015-16 prices will close Feb
29. This deadline extends 29. This deadline extends to
July 31 for children younger than 1. The next annual enrollment period begins Sept.
1, with new contract prices based on Texas public college costs for the 2016-17 academ year. current pre plan information, forms and more are available online at TuitionPromise.org, or
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Adding "In God We Trust" Firefighter and Truck Captain Josh Loftis adds the words "In
God We Trust" to the sides of each of Cross Plains Volunteer Fire Department's Firetrucks. The members of the CPVFD
voted recently to have "In God We Trust" added to all of the department's vehicles

Internationally known quilter Jenny Doan will be speaking in Clyde on Monday, Feb. 22nd

Internationally known quilter business grew as an online
Jenny Doan will be speaking company selling fabrics when
in Clyde on Monday February in Clyde on Monday, February
22nd. at 2.00 in the 22nd. at 2:00 in the afternoon.
Jenny will present a trunk
show at the Clyde First United Methodist Church Fellowship Hall to quilters from the Clyde/
Abilene area and quilters from Abilene area and quilters from
as far away as Brownwood Brady, Alpine and Victoria.
Admission is $\$ 5$. The public is Admission is $\$ 5$. The public is
invited to join this inspirational event. 1008 the Doan children purchased a long arm quilting machine for Jenny. They also purchased a building in the
largely abandoned downtown largely abandoned downtown
of Hamilton, Missouri. They joke that the building cost less than the quilting machine. At the beginning, the Missour
Star Quilt Company sold just Star Quilt Company sold jus
a few quilting supplies. The

Opera House
Country
Musical this Saturday
The Opera House Country musical show will be-Saturday February 20th at 6:00 pm, at
the Opera House, located in Anson, Texas. A Brisket Plate will be served before the musical, serving starts at $5: 00 \mathrm{pm}$. The supper
cost $\$ 7.00$ a plate and this includes a drink and dessert.
We will be having some speWe will be having some spe-
cial guests so come here their great music!!
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Calendar
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Franklin P. "Bucky" Spackelford,
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Stella, Baird, Texas 79510 Alllla, Bolitical. Texas calendar advertising for the Tuesday, March 1 , 2016 Republican Primary Election is payatle in advance, at a cost of $\$ 125.00$. A free press release and photograph will be published one
time with each announcetime w
business grew as an online
company selling fabrics when
it was suggested that they tape their mother giving online
quilting tutorials on the very quilting tutorials on the very
new YouTube web site. Jenny's engaging personality and easy
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over the globe. Due to the over the globe. Due to the
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to the small town of Hamilton, to the small town of Hamiton,
Missouri.
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the Clyde/ Abilene area. Cross Mlains Kelirtus

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Feb. 18, 2016 FOR CALLAHAN COUNTY. and education hours)
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Texas Game Warden in Llano County Cross Plains and Cottonwood Rode School bus to Baird Public Schools
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Goals Services Court in setting the annual budget Visibility in all areas of Callahan County
Prioritize jail safety and longevity
Continue to have a force of depu
marks on their record the Cisco College System Lodge, Eula Lions Club


## Cottonwood News by Beverly Brown

We're in extremely high fire and potato salad and banana
danger for most of the next pudding for dessert. Mark it on eek. The BURN BAN is your calendar now.
ON. No outdoor burning or The Kiwanis Pancake Supper N. No outdoor burning or The Kiwanis Pancake Supper
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the Sherift's office at $325-854$. The date is Thursday, March
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Toth at the Cross Plains 10 th at the Cross Plains The Cottonwood Musical is School Cafeteria, from 5 to
coming up next Friday night, 7 p.m. Ther'll be serving coming up next Friday night, 7 p.m. They'Il be serving
February 26th. Music starts at
pancakes and sausage. Many February 26th. Music starts at pancakes and sausage. Many
5:30 p.m. at the Community
local Cottonwood people
Center. Dinner is served starting are involved in the Kiwanis Center. Dinner is served starting are involved in the Kiwanis
at 5 p.m. Taco Soup is on the
including Bob Ossowski Roy at 5 p.m. Taco Soup is on the
menu, as well as iced tea, coffee Boyd, Arnie Smith, and Adrian menu, as well as iced tea, coffee With the weather so pretty and nice, it's just about time for some barbecue! The
Cross Plains Volunteer Fire Cross Plains Volunteer Fire
Department will be holding their Barbecue Dinner on
Saturday February 27 th Saturday, February 27th at the
First United Methodist Church First Cross Plains. Joe Terstegge
in Cill
will be cooking brisket, ribs,
 with macaroni

| TO THE CITIZENS OF CALLAHAN COUNTY, I AM SEEKING RE-ELECTION AS SHERIFF FOR THE TERM THAT BEGINS JANUARY 1, 2017. I AM ASKING FOR YOUR VOTE IN THIS ELECTION. I TRUST THAT YOU |
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Lubbock Police Officer Training School at Lubbock, Texas
Texas Game Warden Training Academy at Texas A\&M University
2731 Training hours Texas Commission on Law Enforcement ( 5391 Total TCOLE training

Bachelor of Science Degree in Criminal Justice, Tarleton State University, 3.57 GPA
Law Enforcement Experience

Supervisor of Midland District; consisted of 11 Game Wardens in 10 counties \& 2 office clerks Supervisor Brownwood District: consisted of 13 Game Wardens in 10 counties \& 2 office clerk expendur in
Early Life Experience
Grew up in the Admiral area of Callahan County on a small farm during the 1950's drought my mother's family was from Admiral; my dad's family lived in and around

Worked for area farmers and ranchers; worked on our family dairy farm Family attended Admiral Baptist Church; I have remained a lifelong Baptist

Continue to improve collaboration, chat rapport with other local and area law enforcement agencies, County Fire Departments, and local Emergency Medical
enforce to be proactive in solving drug crisis through education, prevention and enforcement and continue to use whatever resources are available to solve any crim Maintain and adhere to a fiscally responsible budget working with the Commissioners
Active pursuit of all available grant funding; continue Membership in LeadsOnline

Public Relations
Served as a Board Member for Family Services of Central Currently Serve as a Committe member with Abilene Chief of Police Stan Slandridge an Taylor County Sheriff Ricky Bishop to prioritize courses for Criminal Justice Classes in
Currently Serve as a member of the Committee on Aging on the WTCOG
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Valentine's Dinner Held at First Baptist Church Febuary 10, Huge Sucess


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Brownwood's Lyric Theatre presents: The Elephant Man
Beginning March 10th - 20th, gued by Merrick's disorder
Brownwood's Lyric be presenting The Elephant Merrick further; Ross agrees Man a play by Bernard for a fee. The story continues
Pomerance written in 1977, and from there on the life of Merrick! Pomerance written in 1977, and from there on the life of Merrick
Directed by Larry Mathis.
Ticket prices are $\$ 12$ for adults In this production, Ross, the and $\$ 8$ for students. Show managerof a freakshow, invites
a crowd on Whitechapel Road vary by date. Pleas
timata
conta a crowd on Whitechapel Road contact either Eric Evans a
to come view John Merrick, the $325-998-2801$ or go to www Elephant Man. Treves happens brownwoodlyrictheatre.com for Elephant Man. Treves happens
upon the freakshow and is intr-
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NOTICE OF MEETING---BOARD OF TRUSTEES CROSS PLAINS INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

A Regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Cross Plains independent School District will be held on February 17 2016 , beginning at $8: 00$ p.m. in the Board Room. The subject/
to be discussed or considered upon which any formal action may be taken are as follows:

REGULAR MEETING February 17, 2016 (8:00 p.m

## CALL MEETING TO ORDER

## pen Forum New Busines

A. Review Cheerleader Constitution
B. Approve Minutes from Previous Meeting
C. Review Bills/Finance Report
D. Consideration and Action to Hire the Underwood Law E. Consider Bond Council
E. Consideration and Action on an Order Calling a Specia
Bond Election and Providing for the Conduct of the Election and Other Matters Incident Thereto
F. Consideration and Action on a Joint Election Agreement with the Clity of Cross Plains
H. Consider Purchasing the Lot Just West of the School
-. Playground on the East Side of Highway 206/Main Stree
I. Consider Purchasing $41 / 2$ Lots Across the Highway 206 Main Stree
2. Personnel
A. Consider Contract Extensions for the Elementary

Principal and Athletic Director
B. Review List of Teachers for March Board Meeting
. Superintendent's Report
A. Refund from the Comptroiler
B. Board Sign-up (Jan. 20 - Feb. 19)
B. Board Sign-up
C. Pre-K Plans
D. Copy Machine Contract
4. Adjourn

If, during the course of the meeting, any discussion of any
tem on the agenda should be held in a closed meeting the item on the agenda should be held in a closed meeting, the
Board will convene in such closed meeting in accordance with the Open Meetings Act, Chapter 551, Government Code. Before any such meeting is convened, the presiding officer will publicly identify the section or sections of the Act authorizing
the closed meeting. All final votes, actions, or decisions will be clasen in open meeting.

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Writing Contest at the Cross Plains Public Library

## The Cross Plains Public student will be accepted.

 Library is accepting entries for Entries are to be esubmitted toour annual writing contest. This the library no later than March contest is open to all students 31,2016 . Entries will be "blind $\begin{array}{ll}\begin{array}{l}\text { attending, or eligible to attend, } \\ \text { the Cross Plains Public Schools. }\end{array} & \text { judged" with ribbons awarded } \\ \text { to the top three entries in each }\end{array}$ the Cross Plains Pubic Schools. to the top three entries in each
Poetry, essay and short stories
respective grade. The overall are allowed. Entries will top winner will receive a plaque ald
be accepted from grades K and a gift card. Second and
through 12. Home schooled 3 年d place winners will receive children are responsible for
inquires to the awards assembly date and time. The library will The three overall winner's not contact home schooled papers will be submitted to recipients. CPISD students publication. For additional
should should ask their teacher in information please contact the regard to entering through the library at $725-7722$ or Marsha school or they may enter at Ossowski at 325-201-4150.
the library. Only one entry per

## Grand Ole Oplin February Line-up

The Grand Ole Oplin invites intersection of F.M. 604 S. and everyone out each Friday for an F.M. 2926. Our Friday night friends and a real good time. dances begin at 7:30 p.m. and
fit $10: 30$ p.m. Admission On Feb. 19th. MIDNIGHT BLUEF is at 10:30 p.m. Admission returns playing some more of Alcohol and smoking are not your country favorites, and on allowed at any of our functions.
Feb. 26 th MUDDY CREEK will your country favorites, and on
Feb. 26 th MCDDY CREEK will
be berck playe is in invited to bring a be back playing some more snack to be shared by all during of your favorite two-steps and the band's break. waitzes.
The GRAND OLE OPLIN is So gather the family and all of hosted by the Oplin Community the Grand Ole Oplin and don't Center and is located at the forget your dancing boots!

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Successful Market at Clyde on Saturday

Saturday, Feb. 13th helped make The Market at Clyde a
big success. big success. Vendors from the
area, including but not limited atea, Clyde, Baird, Eastland and Abilene gathered to offer their creations to shoppers that came into Clyde for the occasion.
Shoppers from these areas and other areas also came into Clyde for this special sale.
Most of the artisans, Most of the artisans, crafters
and home cooks reported that and home cooks reported that and that sales were high. The Market is always held on
the second Saturday of each


## Senior Citizens CenterActivities

Feb.22nd- 26th
Monday-22th Crafts with Chris 10:30/Excercise 11:00/ Bingo with Betty 11:15
Tuesday-23rd Exercise 11:00
Wednesday-24th Blood Pressure Check by Girling Home Health
Thursday -25th Exercise 11:00/Reading with 3rd
Graders
Friday -26th Exercise 11:00
Cross Plains Senior Citizens Center
seeks to nurture our aging populatitin through nutritional, social and educa-
tonal programs our goal is for all seniors, both well and frail, to utilize ourr tional programs our goal is for
services to enrich their lives.

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Two Hip Chicks Roadshow
The Two Hip ChicksRoadshow
is coming to Abilene with over 100 vendors bringing you the latest in boutiques, re-purposed furniture, metal art, kids
boutique, vintage, up-cycled antique, health $\varepsilon$ beauty, one of a kind finds and good ole junk. Make your way to the Abilene
Civic Center 1100 N 6th St Civic Center 1100 N. 6th St., on
Saturday, February 20th from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. for good fun and great finds. Cost is only $\$ 4.00$ per person.
 about Texas ABM and
its traditions! Whoop!
We meet the third Tu of each month, third Tuesday refreshments and fun. meeting but can't make the meeting but would like morre - Emily Meador emilymeador@gmail.com - Shelley Hughes
$325-669-6271$ 325-669-6271
ramhughes@hotmail.com
Abilene area Mom's Club invites you to our monthly meeting at $6: 45 \mathrm{pm}$ at 1470 Woodland Trail, Abilene.
Please ioin us
Please join us for a light meal. You will get to meet other Aggie Moms and lear 1


Road Trip Destination... REH Museum
Taking advantage of the The school has an emphasis on $\begin{array}{ll}\text { beautiful weather last Saturday, } & \text { the fine arts so Lily had come } \\ \text { Justin, Lauren and Lily Disney } \\ \text { prepared with her pen and }\end{array}$ of Midland drove over to tour tablet, hoping to find something the REH Museum. Justin has been an avid reader drawing while her parents
of Howard's writings for quite toured the museum. She of Howard's writings for quite toured the museum. She is
some time and was delighted already planning to become an to be able to purchase several artist when she grows up. books to add to his personal Being drawn to the visitor's library. He works as a chemical photo wall, they were surprised engineer for the Catalyst Oil to spot people that they actually Field Services company, based
knew, but had no idea they
in Midland. Catalyst handles were interested in Howard as chemical supplies for the oil they were.
fields in the Permian Basin
 were quite surprised that suc Bowie Elementary Schoor in a small town has such a Midland, where Lily is a student outstanding museum

SENIOR CITIZENS MENU
Feb. 22nd- Feb. 26th
Monday 22nd-Cheese- Thursday 25th - Sweet burgers,Lettuce,Tomato, \& Sour Chicken, Noodles, Onion, Pickle, Oven Fries, Broccoli, Bread, Dessert Fruit, Cookie
uesday 23rd- Chicken Friday 26th Soft Taco, Fried Steak, Potatoes, Gra- Lettuce, Tomato, Cheese, vy,Greenbeans, Bread, Des- Pinto Beans, Dessert


Wednesday 24th Vegeta- MEAL IS SERVED- $11: 45$ A.M. $12: 30$ P.M ble Beef Soup, Cornbread, Fruit, Cookies


Ag Equipment Auction



VALENTINES KING AND QUEEN SELECTED AT NURSING HOME!


The party was attended by many special guests of the Long
and Ames families and other dignitaries of the community
Refreshments served included fresh homemade
The EJ Browning Band was here also to serenade the crowd for a few hours. The Cross Plains Garden Club
was also here over the weekend was also here over the weeken
making rounds for Valentines The nursing home extends The nursing home extend
its gratitude to all that helped
with the party donations. Fo with the party donations. Fo
more information on assistin with activities please call Teresa
Baird at 254-643-6700. Photos

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Library Notes

## Library Hours

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Land Stewardship Workshop for Texas land contractors
Contractors conducting
soil and water conservation sol vegetation management operations for landowners to improve range, aesthetics,
wildifife habitat, or facilitate wildlife habitat, or facilitate
mineral extraction can benefit from information on land stewardship. This information
can enhance contractor's can enhance contractor's
profitability and landowner profitability and landowner
satisfaction.
Attendeeswillhearinformation aboutwaterresourceprotection, wildlife management, and
invasive species. In addition invasive species. In addition,
contractors will also learn about pipeline safety and financial incentive programs available
to landowners that implement o landowners that implement Continuing education credit for non-commercial pesticide applicators license will be This
This workshop is modeled ther "Professional Logger" exas Forestry Astered by the environmental awareness promote sustainable forestry practices, and foster safe and responsible operations. This
widely successful promen widely successful program
has provided training to over 3,000 contractors, effectively enhancing land conservation and stewardship throughout the
12 million acres of commercial 12 million acres of commercia
timberlands's in East Texas. The event will take place on March 10th at the Stephens County Ag Barn, 146 CR 24 field reckenridge, TX with
a foll Registration is $\$ 10$ with lunch and refreshments included. Please join Texas Wildlife
Association, Texas Fores Service, Texas Parks and Wildlife and the Earthmoving Contractors Association of Texas for this great opportunity
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The Railroad Commission of Texas Environmentally Responsible Regulation Benefits All Texans

By Christi Craddick,
Texas Railroad
. Texas Railroad
Commissioner
What's in a name? When comes to the Railroad Commis
sion of Texas, the name says sion of exas, the name says
little about what this important state agency does on a day-to-
day basis. With 125 years of day basis. With 125 years of
history, the Commission was established to oversee the reguation of railroads. Today, it is recognized as a worldwide eader in the regulation of oil and gas.
The transition was sparked when oil and gas production grew to include the transporting of oil to market by rail. The oversight of not only the trans portation of oil and gas products, but eventually its safe prodexas oil and gas develonement it is important that all Texans are familiar with the job the Commission is doing in their com-
munity. As your Railroad Commis sioner, I have the privilege of overseeing some of Texas' most exciting and dynamic industries. Seen charged with ensuring a air and responsible regulatory structure for oil and gas production and promoting policies that suarantee the robust develop potential. With extended juris diction over related industries incluaing intrastate pipelines, mining operations, the Commission ensures that Texans conlinue to enjoy the economic enefits of our state's many,

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ronment remain safe. Now a Last year, audits discovered rate global leader in energy regulation, foreign governments from the agency to learn more about how to successfully manage tion in their own countries.
The agency's Oiland The agency's Oil and Gas Divito ensure that companies comply with our rules established to natural resources. Operation found in noncompliance are met whht fines, and if necessary, the the revocation of a duction and license to drill in Texas. This essary cleanup involving oil and gas spills or discharges. Last year, the agency plugged over
560 abandoned wells and oversaw the cleanup of more than 200 oilfield sites. This type of
work, which provides commuwork, which provides commu
nity and environmental protec nity and environmental protec
tion, is funded by fees collected from industry, not by Texas taxpayers.
The Oversight and Safety Divi-
sion supervises pipeline safety, sion supervises pipeline safety,
and natural gas utilities. This division holds jurisdiction over pipelines that begin and end
within Texas. The Commissio within Texas. The Commission
has some of the nation's most has some of the nation's most requiring all natural gas distribution companies to assess their pipeline systems for the greatest
potential threats and each year retantial threats and each yea of those pipelines.
Overseeing natural gas rates,
this division ensures fair overcharges resulting in more
than $\$ 1.3$ million in refunds to
natural gas utility customers
across the state, keeping more
hard earned dollars in the pockets of Texans.
Coal used in
Coal used in power plants generating electricity helps to keep
the lights on for our citizens, not only in Texas, but across the nation. The Texas economy enjoys the benefits of being the
sixth largest producer of coal in sixth largest producer of coal in
the U.S., and our Surface Minthe U.S., and our Surface Min-
ing and Reclamation Division oversees mining operations and reclamation once mining ceases Commission policies require that dition that is as good as, or
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Tctivities occurred.
Texans should be proud that Texans should be proud tha
our state has long been recog nized as a regulatory leader. New
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nited anergy revolution in the U.S. led by Texas. Fortunately because of our more than 100 year old history overseeing en
ergy development, the Commis sion is deeply experienced in developing rules and taking ac tions grounded in science even as this dyn
evolves.
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Most conservative
session in Texas histo session in Texas history" - Gov. Greg Abbott


$\square$Wild About Texas Sponsored by: Happy Trails Rustic Western Bobcat
IT Aderstands the compleorsity of
the natural world around them very living thing has its place in its surroundings, whetherman understands that conceptornot.
Oftentimes, certain species of animals, particularly carnivores, are persecuted not on the facts
of what they do, but rather what they do, but rather on the fables of their actions. One
such animal here in Texas is he common, but seldom seen, Bobcat.
The Bobcat (Lynx rufus) is the most common of the six species
of the family Felidae that have called Texas home at one time or another. Other members of ion, the Ocelot, the Margay now extinct in Texas), the Jaguarundi, and the massive Jaguar (also extinct in Texas).
Unlike the other members of is family, Bobcats are habitat generalists and therefore much ore adaptable than its relatives. In every have been observed Star state, and enjoys a wide distribution over the majority
of North America. In Texas, it seems to prefer the wooded arbe quite common in the rocky canyons of the Edwards and Stockton Plateaus, as well as the mountain regions of the far west.
Secondary habitat preferences are the Tāmaulipan thornscrub of the south and
the Panhandle.
At first glance, adult Bobcats Alosely resemble a large, albeit
fluffy, domesticated housecat. They can best be described in size somewhat comparable to a medium-sized dog, with
a total length (snout to end of tail) of just under three feet. The tail is disproportionately short, typically only about five inches in length. This bobbed"
tail is how this feline acquired tins common name. Most adults
its average anywhere from eleven totwenty pounds, although large
males may attain a weight of males may attain a weight of
nearly thirty-five pounds if well fed. Males, the larger of the two sexes, are a bit larger and heavier than the females.
The coloration The coloration of the upper-
parts are generally grayish brown or reddish brown with numerous and scattered black streaks. The
belly is whitish with intermittent black spotting. Face and tail
are colored like the upperparts, and the ears our outlined with a black border with a white center. Often, the ears will end in a slim
tuft of hair that comes to a point uft of hair that comes to a point
just beyond the black outline. Contrary to what myths continue to persist about the dietary
forays of Bobcats, studies have forays of Bobcats, studies have
shown that the vast majority shown that the vast majority
of their diet (nearly sixty-five percent) consists of rabbits. Secondary prey items include rats, mice, and squirrels. Some
specimens will occasionally

## Gurl Guide

 ExpoJoin us February 20th from
2-7 p.m. for our FREE Gurl Guide Expo! Teen girls grades
6 th- 12 th are cordially invited to 6th-12th are cordially invited to
attend with their moms/female
role-models. It will be a half role-models. It will be a half
day full of fun, health $\varepsilon$ beauty tips, and support while dealing
with today's issues (Selfwith today's issues (Self-
Esteem, Pressures, Healthy
Res Relationships). Dazzling Divas Modesty Fashion Show, Mary
Kay Make-up Tips, Nathana's Kay Make-up Tips, Nathana's
Hair Tips, BFC Healthy Living Tips, Pregnancy Care Center, and more!
The Expo will take place at
Coggin Avenue Baptist Church Coggin Avenue Baptist Church
CC Fellowship Hall, 1815 Coggin Avenue, Brownwood, Texas. You may pre-register online at https://gurlguide.
eventbrite.com or contact Director Kelsey Robinson at 432-788-1211 for more .

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| $\begin{array}{c}\text { Bobcat } \\ \text { (Lynx rufus) }\end{array}$ |
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feast upon raccoons, skunks, the gate entering the property, I
birds and even snakes. Rarely witnessed a sight that can birds and even snakes. Rarely witnessed a sight that can only be
will a Bobcat attack, kill and described as gruesome. Strung will a Bobcat attack, kill and described as gruesome. Strung
consume a healthy and robust up along the fence on both sides adult domestic animal such as a of the road were no less than goat or sheep, although it does thirty dead Bobcats, with a few infrequently occur.
By far, the majority of breeding and coyotes sprinkled in
While visiting with the well-to-do By far, the majority of breeding while visiting with the well-to-do
activity occurs in February and rancher, we started discussing all March, and after a sixty day of the dead bobcats strung up like gestation, a litter of anywhere trophies. He stated that, while he from one to five (average is just had never seen it happen, he grew
under three) is born. Females up hearing that Bobcats kill and under three) is born. Females up hearing that Bobcats kill and
that have had a plentiful diet eat goats quite frequently, and during the winter months are since goat-ranching was his live typically the ones to produce lihood, he was just doing his part
to contain the Bobcat population the larger litters.
To contain the Bobcat populatio The young are born with their But then he said something that I
eyes closed, but are almost will never forget when he told me exact duplicates of the parents that now, he has more damage in color and pattern, save a bit to his other crops from rabbits of a more spotted pattern. The becausethe rabbit population had
progeny are weaned at about just exploded for some reason! ten weeks old, and they are Not being a "tree-hugging able to look after themselves environmentalist" as well as not
when they are half a year old. wanting to offend my new friend, when they are half a year old. wanting to offend my new friend,
The mortality rate of juveniles smoothly explained the role of the The mortality rate of juveniles smoothly explained the role of the
is high, but the individuals who Bobcat as an apex predator in the survive "childhood" are generally natural world and its importance long-lived; several specimens in things like rabbit population
have exceeded thitteen years in control, and to this day, he has not have exceeded thirteen years in control, and to this day, he has not
the wild. The chief predator that shot another Bobcat. His rationale adults face is man, followed by was, even if he were to lose a goat dogs. Natural predators include or two, the rabbits were actually foxes and coyotes, particularly doing a more significant amour or juveniles.
that I was invited for a visit with a Editor's Note: Michael Price rancher about the natural history would love to hear from folks! He
of the area, and as I pulled into can be reached by of the area, and as I pulled into call be reached by email at www.
fullprice71@gmail.com.

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## The Texas History Minute Sponsored by：HANNER CHEVROLET

＇Ma＇Ferguson Emerged as a Pioneer in Texas Politics
By Dr．Ken Bridges She grew up in a time when
women almost never attended
 never voted．But one woman dic
all of them，and in the proces all of them，and in the process，
＂Ma＂Ferguson became one of the most unforgettable wome in Texas political history． Miriam A．Wallace was bon
in Bell County in 1875 ， was well－educated，attending
Salado College and the Baylor Female College，among the very
few colleges in the allowed women students at the time．On New Year＇s Eve， 1899,
she a lawyer and banker figso Belton．The couple had tw
daughters and were extremely devoted to one another． In 1914，her husband was elec
ed governor．Gov．Ferguson had a stormy two－term reig and wasges of misanediepropriation funds regarding the University of Texas as well as embezzlemen． He maintained his innocence
and and in spite of a ban on hin
holding office in the state，he ran three more times． for governorin his liace．Always the devoled wife，determined to
uphold his honor，she agreed Campaigning on the theme of price of one，＂as she put it，the ed contest between Ferguso and Judge Felix Robertson， the candidate of the Ku Klux attempted to seize control of the major political parties across the
nation，Democratic and Repub nation，Dee
lican alike．
The Fergusons and their allies，
repelled by the violence and repelled by the violence and
corruption the Klan brought with it，pootrayed Miriam Ferguson， ＂Ma，＂as the embodiment of traditional Texas values and
motherhood．The battle of＂the motherhood．The battie of＂the vated Texans，and she won the election easily． She became the first woman
elected governo fin elery，and only the second in the nation，atter Gov．Nellie Tayloe
Ross of Wyoming took office just a few days before Ferguson
and served from 1925 to and served from 1925 to 1927 ．
Her husband was believed to have been responsible for most of her decisions．The most
important law passed was an anti－mask law aimed at the Klan Ferguson though was very for
giving and pardoned an asto
 nrative，history professor，and
writer．His columns appear in 62 newspapers．Dr．Bridges drkenbridges＠gmail．com． hough critics charged that she orthese pardons as well as high ay contracts，no evidence ever emerged from these charges
However，the rumors led to he defeat in her 1926 re－election bid and the eventual creation
of a commission to oversee all Pardon requests before they
reached the governor．
Ferguson failed at another run Ferguson failed at another run

1932．She pushed for attempts control state spending during to control state spending during

the cash－strapped years of the Great Deppression．Howevever，at－
tempts to consolidate agencies lempts to consolidate agencies
failed．While she advocated
old－age pensions，bank reforms olddage pensions，bank reforms，
and other measures，the state and other measures，the state
legislature failed to make any legislature failed to make any
significant progress，and the significant progress，and the
Fergusons found themselves embroiled in new political fights． She quietly stepped down in
1934 and stayed away from 1934 and stayed away from politics for the next few years．
In 1938 ，voters across the state signed petitions asking her to run
for governor once again．She re－ for governor once again．She re－
sisted the＂Draft $M$ a sisted the＂Draft Ma＂movement，
but accepted the call when a but accepted the call when a
new draft movement spread in
1940．She attempted to unseat 1940．She attempted to unseat
Gov．W．Lee＂Pappy＂O＇Daniel Gov．W．Lee＂Pappy＂O＇Daniel
in the Democratic Primary，but
in spite of the many criticisms in spite of the many criticisms
of O＇Daniel，Ferguson could not win the nomination． With this loss，the Fergusons stepped away from politics
for good．After her husband＇s or good．After her husband＇s
death in 1944，＂Ma＂Ferguson lived a quiet life of retirement in Austin until her passing in 1961 at age 86．\＃\＃\＃
Dr．Ken Bridges is a Texas native，writer，and history pro－
fessor．He can be reached at 1930 before winning again
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## Letter to the Editor <br> Old Cottowood Cemetery an important issue to so many

History, it's all around us,
it's who we are, it it what has
formed our country and made
it the greatest nation on earth.
As Americans we are a proud
people but recently I have
noticed the pride and values
in this country, the people in
it, and most importantly the
peoplethat serve forits freedom
today and have served and
fought in the past are falling
through the cracks like so
many other important issues
that at one time may have been
relevant but now are vanishing
from the forethought of our
mind.
Is it not our responsibility
to make clear and known to
all future generations what
it took to get us where we
are today and how before
internet, cell phones, GPS,
and elected publice officials
that are more concerned with
social gatherings and power of
position than hhonoring those
that have fallen that allowed
us to be who and where we are
today.
I find it appalling that the
subiect of the Old Cottonwood
Cemetery entry and exit has
become such an issue for the
elected county commissioners
after

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and decided to research the question but to no avail since
to my knowledge and belief the areas to where the tax
dollars that would normally go toward such projects that
are directly controlled by the elected commissioners could not be found as listed
clearly on ballotpedia.org/ clearly on ballotpedia.org/
Callahan county, Texas:// ballotpedia.org/Callahan-
County,-Texas/l" who gave Callahan County an $F$ rating for
records that could explain why this has become such an issue.
It is in my opinion that all voters It is in my opinion that all voters
and concerned citizens should look at the above link and draw
your own conclusion to what your own conclusion to what
Callahan Co. commissioners
are fighting so hard not to are fighting so hard not to
take responsibility in helping to maintain the dignity of
all that are buried in the Old all that are buried in the Old
Cottonwood Cemetery since Cottonwood Cemetery since
the Historical Society maintains everything within the fence
of the cemetery including but

## Sheriff's Corner

 by Sheriff Terry JoyHappy ending to a three year old drug arrest!

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| 11th, I was at the Callahan |  |
| County jail, and was surprised by a visit from a nice lady. She told me her name and asked me |  |
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| if I recognized her, I Did Not! She then told me that I had |  |
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| arrested her in February of 2013 for possession of methamphetamines. I told her, "yes, I do remember you." |  |
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| I was just into the second month of my first term as |  |
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| Sheriff when I received a call from a concerned citizen from |  |
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| Putnam. She told me that she |  |
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| was worried about a woman who had stopped by their home |  |
| and she know that the woman had methamphetamines and was in the Putnam area. |  |
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| I drove that direction and saw the vehicle stopped by the side of the interstate. When |  |
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| I stopped, I observed drug paraphernalia in the front seat |  |
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| beside her and found meth |  |
| in her posession. I placed her under arrest and took her to jail. |  |
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| She had been living in her vehicle, was using meth, and had become addicted to it. |  |
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| She looked so different when she stopped by to see me earlier |  |
| this month. She looked much better, happier and healthier. |  |
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| To my pleasant surprise she said she wanted to stop by |  |
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explain to the county and its
commissioners how important
this issueis bis briting letters of
concern of your own whether
you have loved ones in the
Old Cottonwood Cemetery or
just have a general respect for
the people not to mention the
many soldiers that are buried
there and deserve everything
that we can do for them singe
they risked their lives for our
future its the least we can do
to demand our elected county
commissioners to show the
little respect it would take to
merely maintain a short portion
of a county road approximately
300 feet in distance. ALL
STATEMENTS ARE OF MY
OWN OPINON EXCEPT FOR
STATED FACTS!

Winter Storms: Who's Up Next? December and January has
brought some winter weather brought some winter weather
that farmers will remember for yearartocome. Firstcame winter
storm Goliath, which roared through the Southwest, killing
at least 50,000 beef and dairy at least 50,000 beef and dairy
cattle in the process. Not long cattle in the process. Not long
atter was winter storm Jonas,
which grabbed headlines for which grabbed headlines for
burying Washington, D.C. burying Washington, D.C.
and New York City, but also
wreaked havoc on farms and New York City, but also
wreaked havoc on farms
across Appalachia and the Mid Atlantic.
"We'll
"We'll see some pretty
impressive troughs develop impressive troughs develop
next week, and that will not only
bring some cold air in but bring some cold air in, but it will
also probably also probably put down some
pretty good snows in places," pretty go
he says.
he says.
The storm could hit the Plains by Tuesday, Feb. 2, with areas
that include Kansas Nebaska that include Kansas, Nebraska,
lowa, Minnesota, Wisconsin lowa, Minnesota, Wisconsin
and northern Michigan beset with snow and wind. The MidSouth and eastern Corn Belt
will also see rain and severe will also see rain and severe
thunderstorms possible during this time.
"We're. looking at potential
blizzard conditions coming blizzard conditions coming into the picture," according to
Domenica Davis, meteorologist with The Weather Channel. Davis says that potential
threats across the country threats across the country
include:
High winds, rain and snow in include:
High winn
California
Uplorna 3 feet of snow in the
Sierra Mountains Sierra Mountains
Heavy blowing Heavy blowing snow in the
Rockies and Central Plains Severe thunderstorm threat across the Gulf Coast and
Mississippi Valley Mississippi Valley
This storm This starm probably won't
hold a candle to the infamous Groundhog's Day storm five
years ago years ago, which slammed
Chicago -with a record 21.2 inches of snow from Jan. 31 to Feb. 2 in 2011. Still, don't be surprised if significant snowfall
occurs, especially in the occurs, especially in th
meteorologists warn.

Girl Scouts seek community support to send Girl Scout Cookies to our troops
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Abilene, Texas-Project Troop
to Troop is a Girl Scouts of Texas OKlahoma Plains council GS-TOP partners with local
(GS-OP) service initiative that
encourages members of the agencies and military
commanes to send donated cookies years ago with one woman Juliette Gordon "Daisy" Low,
who believed in the power of every girl. Today, we continue community to buy packages
of Girl Scout Cookies to donate of Girl Scout Cookies to donate stateside. Last year, GS-TOP
to the U.S. Armed Forces. For to the U.S. Armed Forces. For customers sponsored more troops stationed across the
nation and overseas, nothing
says home like a box of says home like a box of Girl Scout Cookies.
"Customerssponsorpackages
of Girl Scout Cookies that the Council sends to our men and women in uniform," said
GS-TOP CEO Becky Buto GS-TOP CEO Becky Burton
"Through Project Troop Troop, our customers get to
support our service men and support our service men and
women and support their local
Girl Scout Troop with purchase."
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of traveling by oxen or horse of traveling by oxen or horse
drawn wagon, or walking great slow. Roads were only bump dirt or rocky trails. Broken axles from ruts in the trails were a common calamity. Rains created mud and quicksand.
Often, swollen streams and rivers prohibited crossings. A myriad of other impediments often awaited pioneers along their journey. Take into
account that hot weather was account that hot weather was water sources were required for both traveler and livestock. in all weather for the livestock that served the early pioneers for food, work, and travel. Get the picture?
Camille
Camille Swift and her
daughter, Amber Fry, of Johnson City, Texas, are
fifth and sixth generation descendents of pioneer stock who still continue to live and
work on the land where their ancestors set root. In spirit, they represent all our ancestry who had the courage to challenge
the unknown by leaving their native homeland and families behind to risk dangers, and in some cases fortunes with only a dream of a better life to motivate As noted, Camille and Amber
come from a family with a deep-seated love for the land handed down to them along with a passion for holding on
to it. From a family of immigrants who came to the UnitedStatesthrough Galveston in the 1850 s and who first and then moved to Blanco County in the 1860s, Camille and Amber are ingrained with a conservation ethic to improve the land entrusted to them and seventh generation of children. So, this is a story about a family's tenacity to hold on to
and to better the land that was handed down to them from their lineage. mother live on two separate family ranches, (Amber on a 1,096-acre property northwest
of Johnson City and Camille on a 696 -acre property southeast of Johnson City) the entire
family works cooperatively in
USDA Expands Microloans to Help Farmers Purchase Farmland and Improve Property
Producers, Including Beginning and Underserved. Producers, Including Beginning and Underserved WASHINGTON, Jan. 19 2016 - Agriculture Deputy
Secretary Krysta Harden today Secretary Krysta Harden today
announced that the U.S. Department of Agricult
(USDA) will bëgin offering farm ownership microloans, creating a new financing avenue for farmers to buy and improve property. These microoans
will be especially helpful to beginning or underserved farmers, C.S. veterans looking for a career in farming, and
those who have small and mid sized farming operations. "Many producers, especially
new and underserved farmers new and underserved farmers, tell us that access toland is one
of the biggest challenges they of the biggest chall and growing
face in establishing and gratin,
their own farming operation, their own farming operation,"
said Harden "USDA is making said Harden. "USDA is making
it easier for new farmers to hit the ground running and get
access to the land that they need to establish their farms or improve their property. celebrates its third anniversary this week, has been hugely successful, providing more than 16,800 ow-interestloans, producers across the country Microloans have helped farmers
and ranchers with operating
 in-cheek and a sly smile said about sharing labor to mak both ranches run smoothly well, I am the idea person and
I just tell mom what I would I just tell mom what I would
like to do and then I just let her experience take over to get the
job done." job done."
Camille. la Camille laughed and said in
response to the tease, "Ou response to the tease, "Ou
family was ingrained with a work ethic and like-mindedness to want to live this kind of life so
we just pitch in and help each we just pitch in and help each
other to make both operations run smoothly."
When asked about curren managementobjectivesfortheir operations, Camille responded
with an answer different than with an answer different than
what was expected. She said, what was expected. She said,
"Sure, we want the ranches to show profits every year, but in
the process we want to the process we want to improve
and sustain the resources for and sustain the resources fo
future generations through good conservation practices such as rotating livestock cross fencing, brush control,
and prescribed grazing. The and prescribed grazing. The
ranches are not stocked as heavy as they once were."
Camille adding Camille a adding to her thought
said, "The key thing that we said, "The key thing that we
want to make sure of is that the want to make sure of is that the
carrying capacity of livestock are in balance with what the land can support."
Amber, who is a current
memberof the board of directors of the Pedernales Soil and Water Conservation District (SWCD) said, "Our family, by tradition,
have been service-oriented have been service-oriented
folks. After grandfather Hoppe folks. After grandfather Hoppe
(Dwayne) died, I was told that my grandfather had said that I would be a good candidate to assume his position on
the SWCD board. I hold his the SWCD board. I hold his
confidence and trust in my heart as very touching, so I try to practice the conservat
ethic that he preached." ethic that he preached."
In addition to their livest In addition to their livestock
operations, Camille talked about what they are seeing regarding the improvement
of wildlife populations on the of wildlife populations on the ranches. "With our improving
wildife habitat on the ranches, we've definitely noticed a healthier deer population." Amber chimed in and said,
"Not only that, but we are "Not only that, but we are
now seeing turkey and the now seeing turkey and the
restoration of quail where we have not seen them for years." As an aside Amber added, "Oh. yeah, unfortunately feral hogs
are doing well and increasing
are doing well and increasing
too."
In their conservation plan,
In their conservation plan,
two key conservation practices two key conservation practices
used are prescribed grazing and brush management. In fact, native Indiangrass has been
restored as a result of brush
croloans to
costs, such as feed, fertilizer,
tools, fencing, equipment, and living expenses since 2013:
Seventy percent of Seventy percent of loa
gone to new farmers. gone to new farmers.
Now, microloans will be
available to also help with farm land and building purchases, and soil and water conservation
improvements. FSA designed the expanded program to simplify the application process, expand eligibility
requirements and expedite requirements and expedite
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help farmers strengthen their operations. Microloans provide up to $\$ 50,000$ to qualified
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being improved. We notice being improved. We notice
that the riparian areas which ar the green belts of trees, shrubs, and grasses growing adjacent
to the creeks and streams to the creeks and streams on
the ranches are very healthy." the ranches are very healthy."
"This is a big factor fo maintaining water quality because the combination
of conservation of conservation practices
employed on the ranches are employed on the ranches are
keeping sediment and other keeping sediment and othe
potential pollutants out of the
streams." streams," "Cowsert added.
The Pedernales SWCD The Pedernales SWCD, of
which Amber is a director which Amber is a director,
is one of 216 soil and water conservation districts in Texas which are celebrating 75 years of service to agricultural
producers and communities in producers
the state.
nWhen
"When you consider that
Blanco County Blanco County consists
of 460,000 acres and the of 460,000 acres and the
SWCD has 560 cooperators implementing conservation
plans on 375,000 of those acres, I would say that speaks well for a time-tested voluntary
soil and water conservatio soil and water conservation
program that has spanned 75 program that has spanned
years of protecting the state's
soil and water resources." said soil and water resources," said Cowsert.
"Ditto to that," said Ambe "Landowners typically want to improve their property and are
willing to do so. Our board of directors' philosophy is that we want to know the folks
who come to the SWCD who come to the SWCD for
assistance so we want to be personally involved with each
landowner or operator to make sure that their management needs and goals are met.
After all, our board of directors Aigns aff on their respective conservation plans," added Amber. For more information on the Texas State Soil and
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