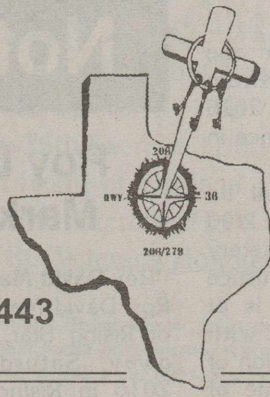


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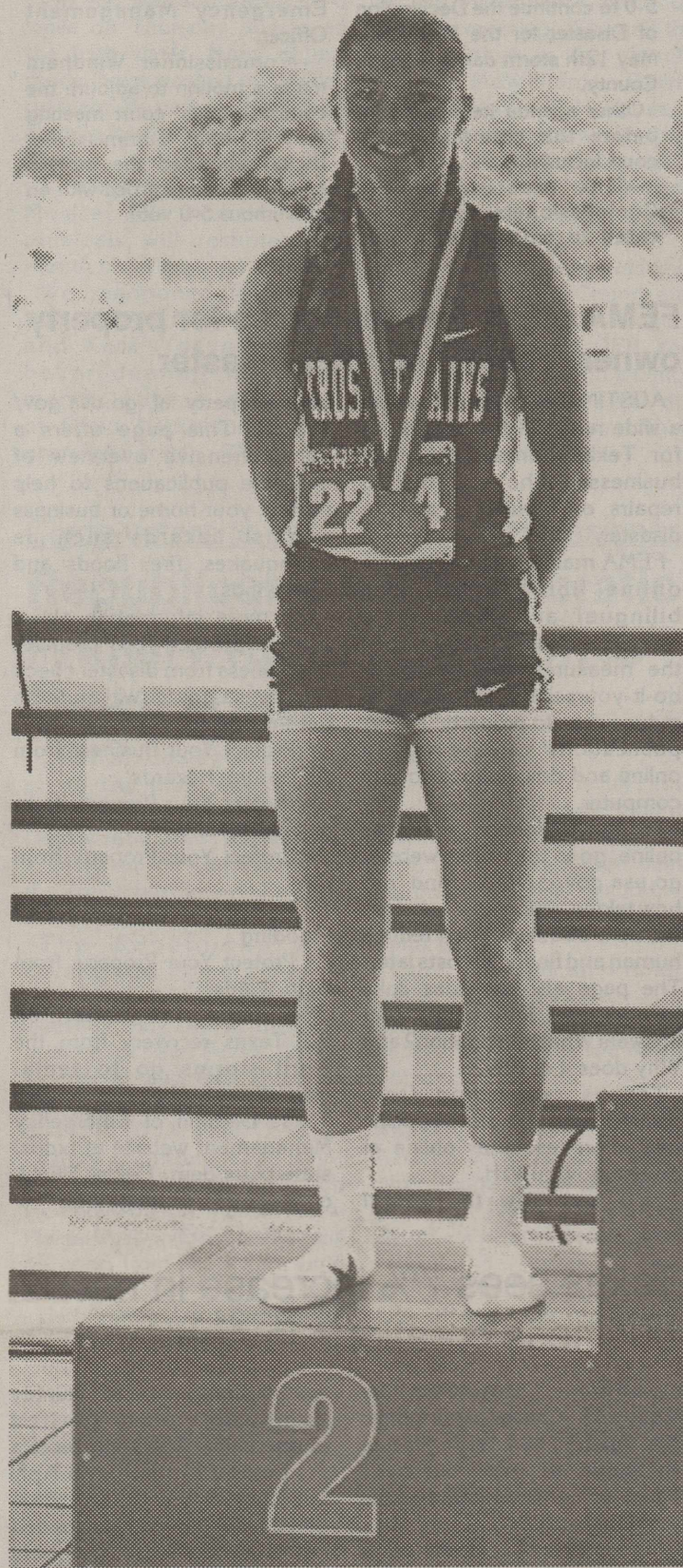
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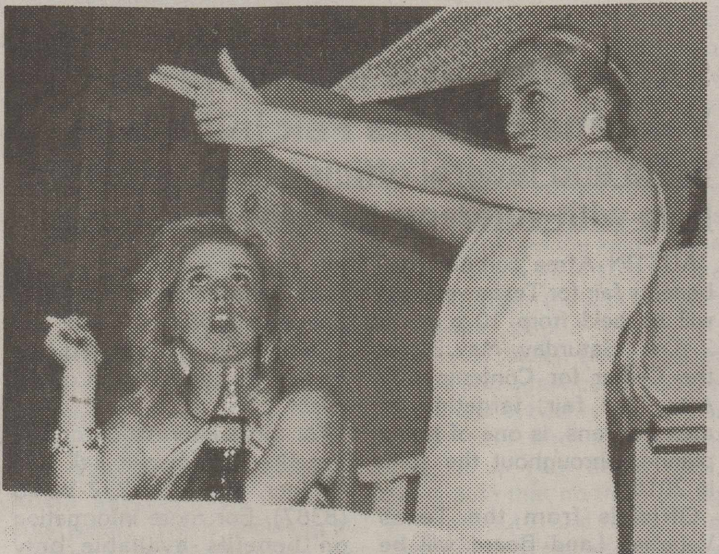
## Send Off for the Boys and Girls Track Teams



### Shelby McWilliams Wins Second at State

Shelby McWilliams took second place in the 800 Meter Dash at the State Meet.  
The Girls 1600 Meter Relay Team, (composed of Shelby McWilliams, Grace Goode, Lorelei Woodard, and Jackilann Shepard) came in Fourth Place.

The Boys 1600 Meter Relay Team (made up of Dobbs McWilliams, Kaiden Petree, Holden Senclair, and Creed Goode) came in Eighth Place. Congratulations to Shelby and all of the track participants!



Hannah Crockett and Jackilann Shepard in a scene from the One Act Play's performance of Beth Henley's *Crimes of the Heart*. The group performed here last Sunday and will head to the State Competition next Sunday, May 22nd. More scenes from the One Act Play inside.

### Baccalaureate Services to be Held Sunday Night

Baccalaureate Services for the Class of 2016 will be held Sunday evening, May 22, at 6 p.m., at the First Baptist Church.  
Dalton Clark, First Baptist Church Youth Minister will be the featured speaker.  
Graduation for the Senior Class will be on Friday, May 27 at 7 p.m. at the High School Gymnasium.  
Members of the Senior Class are: Darrin Ames, Kelli

Bennett, Colton Bradley, Lorenzo Bustamante, Rebekah Crockett, Teagan Fortune, Zachary Gartman, Dalton Gilliam, Ethan Horan, Brayden Kennedy, James Marrow, Shelby McWilliams, Evelyn Morales, Billie Pointer, Kaitlyn Potter, Inez Salazar, Phoenix Sanders, Chance Thompson, Charles Thompson, Zachery Thompson, Shyler Tillery, Kristi Ward, Billy Woodard and Seth Wyatt.



Cheering on the Track Teams - Seniors at the Cross Plains Senior Citizen's Center Cheer on the Girls and Boys Track Teams. From left to right: Dona Wagner, Mozelle Richardson, Sally Whitely, Jane Alexander, Russ Miller, Fred Dill and Mark Pack. More photos of the track team send off inside.



Rain Water Floods Rodeo Grounds

## More Photos of the Flooding Inside Rains Flood Cross Plains; County Declared Disaster Area; Residents Deal with Cleanup

The rains late Wednesday night and early Thursday morning took a toll on homes and local businesses.

Residents found themselves heading flood warnings and tearing out carpet and moving furnishings on Thursday morning.

One of the hardest hit areas was Avenue A, where many homes flooded.

FM 880 in Cottonwood was closed Thursday due to high water. Many other roadways were impassible.

Lowe's Market experienced flooding of several inches of water filling the store. The store was able to reopen on Thursday afternoon.

Cross Plains ISD closed classes for the day.

Treadway Park and the Rodeo Arena were flooded.

Many of the country roads

sustained damage from the rains and flowing water.

Callahan County Precinct No. 4 Commissioner Cliff Kirkham, stated that "about 20 miles of road in the precinct need repairs. Several low water crossing were damaged and many culverts sustained damage. We have a lot of damage and are currently in touch with FEMA."

Kirkham went on to say that the road crews are "Working as hard as we can to repair the roads as soon as we can. We just ask everyone to be patient."

Thursday afternoon, Callahan County Judge Roger Corn issued a declaration of disaster because of widespread storm damage.

In a letter to Gov. Greg Abbott, Corn said the county sustained a "substantial loss of road material and damages at

bridges, culverts and low water crossings."

He requested financial assistance for repairs.

The City of Cross Plains is working with county and state officials to assess the local damage as quickly as possible. If your home experienced damage from the flood waters here in Cross Plains or in the surrounding area, please contact the Cross Plains City Hall as soon as possible so you can get your name on the paperwork for assistance.

Photographs and dollar amounts are not needed at this time, but they will need to know if the damage is minor or major and if any of it is covered by insurance.

You can contact City Hall at 254-725-6114.

## Cross Plains Grain and Peanut to Close on Friday; Auction on Saturday

This Friday, May 20th will be the end of an era as Cross Plains Grain and Peanut closes their doors after 52 years of serving the Cross Plains community.

On Saturday, May 21, the remaining ag equipment, vehicles, shop equipment, tools, office furniture and much more will be auctioned starting at 10:00 a.m.

At 12:00 p.m. the Real Estate will be auctioned.

The fertilizer applicators and equipment will be auctioned online at H5AuctionAndRealty.com.

For more information on the auctions, please call: Mike

Winfrey 325-669-9651 or Bob

Winfrey 1-254-592-4496.

Send Off for the One Act Play Cast and Crew as They Go To State Prayer Service in the Auditorium 9 a.m. Send Off Immediately Afterward High School Parking Lot Between Football Field and the High School

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## CHURCH DIRECTORY

### COTTONWOOD BAPTIST CHURCH

Sunday School .....9:45 AM  
Morning Worship.....11:00 AM  
Ministry Activities  
Youth Meet at Pool House.....6:30PM  
Thomas Estes, Pastor  
Gregg Steine, Youth Pastor  
Friendly Church Church (254) 725-6266 Bible Teaching

### Triple Cross Cowboy Church

Every Sunday at 10:30 am  
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Al Taylor, Preacher  
Phone: 254-725-7522  
Cell Phone: 325-370-6680

### Pioneer Baptist Church

Pastor: Dwaine Clowers Music Director: Barbara Jo Medley  
Phone: 254-725-7574  
Sunday School.....10:00am  
Sunday Morning Worship.....11:00am  
Sunday Evening Worship.....6:00pm  
Wednesday Prayer Service.....6:00pm

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For Information Call (254) 725-7418

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Music: Karen Lenz & Diane Woods  
Bible Study...10:00 am  
Sunday Morning Worship...11:00 am  
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Sunday School  
9:30

Wednesday  
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Evening Worship: 5:00P.M.  
Wednesday: Evening: 7:00P.M.  
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## OBITUARIES

### Charles Ray Ohlhausen

Charles Ray Ohlhausen age 73 of Bangs, Texas passed from this life on Friday, May 13, 2016 at 3:05 pm at his residence in Bangs.

Memorial services will be Sunday, May 22, 2016 at 2:00 pm at the Bangs Cemetery Pavilion with Rev. Rick Justice officiating. Interment is at the Bangs Cemetery with services under the direction of Henderson Funeral Home of Santa Anna.

He was born October 11, 1942 in McCullough County to Charlie Henry and Lena Mae Ramsey Ohlhausen. Charles Ray attended Mason Schools and graduated in 1960 from Cross Plains High School. He served his country in the United States Army and was a member of the American Legion in Bangs. A lifetime resident of Bangs he was a member of the Baptist Church, and worked as a machine operator with Superior Cable for 44 years retiring in 2011.

**SURVIVORS:**  
Sister - Kathy & husband Tommy McMillan of Cross Plains, TX  
Niece - Krystal & husband Micah Chavez of Bedford, TX  
2 Nephews - Wayne & wife Toni McMillan of Early, TX  
Todd & wife Sherry McMillan of Santa Anna, TX

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### Love Fund

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**Sue Neal**  
at Texas Heritage Bank  
to help with  
financial expenses

### Love Fund

for **Lisa Floyd**  
has been set up at  
Texas Heritage Bank  
for medical expenses

## Death Notice

### Roy David Markham

Roy David Markham, Roy David Markham, age 87, of Rising Star, Texas passed away, Saturday, May 14, 2016 in Rising Star, Texas. Mr. Markham wish were to be cremated. Services will be held at a later date.

### Vivian "Deloris" Garrett

Vivian "Deloris" Garrett, age 67, of Rising Star passed away Monday, May 16, 2016 in Rising Star. A graveside service will be held Friday, May 20 at 2:00 PM at Pioneer Cemetery. A visitation will be held from 12:30 to 1:30 prior to the service at Higginbotham Funeral Home Cross Plains.

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### Love Fund

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**Darby Nichols**  
at Texas Heritage Bank  
to help with expenses

### Love Fund

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**Emberlynn Harris**  
has been established at  
Texas Heritage Bank

### Love Fund

for  
**Sherryl Goble**  
has been set up at  
Texas Heritage Bank  
for medical expenses

## Callahan County Riding Club 2016 Schedule

Callahan County Riding Club 2016 Schedule.

June:  
• Saturday, June 4  
• Saturday, June 11  
• Saturday, June 25  
July:  
• Saturday, July 9  
• Saturday, July 23  
August:  
• Saturday, August 6  
• Saturday, August 13  
• Saturday, August 27  
September:  
• Saturday, September 17  
Members participating in the Buckle Series are required to

attend at least 9 play days. They must have \$60.00 sponsorship plus \$10.00 for each play day needed up to 3. Also, parent/guardian must work in concession stand once per person participating. Sign-ups will be between 6:30 and 7:00 p.m. Trainers will begin at 7:00 p.m. Competition begins at 7:30 p.m. Check our Facebook Page--Callahan County Riding Club for any rain-outs or makeup days.

## Commissioners continue Declaration of Disaster from storm damage

The Callahan County Commissioners' Court briefly met to continue the Declaration of Disaster for the May 11th-May 12th storm damage in Callahan County.

The commissioners' court met on Monday, May 16th at the County Courthouse in Baird. On a motion by Commissioner Harold Hicks and a second by Commissioner Cliff Kirkham, the commissioners' court voted 5-0 to continue the Declaration of Disaster for the May 11th-May 12th storm damage in the County.

Other agenda items brought before the commissioners' court included:

—The meeting of the Commissioners' Court was called to order at 9:34 a.m.

with the following officers present: Roger Corn, Judge Presiding, Harold Hicks, Commissioner Precinct No. 1, Bryan Farmer, Commissioner Precinct No. 2, Tom Windham, Commissioner Precinct No. 3, Cliff Kirkham, Commissioner Precinct No. 4, Jan Windham, County Treasurer, and Donna Bell, County Clerk. Also attending the meeting was Angie Campbell, the Callahan County Emergency Management Officer.

—Commissioner Windham made a motion to adjourn the commissioners' court meeting at 9:52 a.m. Commissioner Hicks seconded the motion and the motion carried with an unanimous 5-0 vote.

## FEMA offers free resources for property owners rebuilding after disaster

AUSTIN, Texas—FEMA offers a wide range of free resources for Texas homeowners and businesses who are making repairs or rebuilding after a disaster.

FEMA maintains an extensive online library, including bilingual and multimedia resources, which describes the measures contractors or do-it-yourselfers can take to reduce risks to property. FEMA publications can be viewed online and downloaded to any computer.

To find mitigation resources online, go to the FEMA website go.usa.gov/cuWeA. Find out how taking action now—before the next disaster—can reduce human and financial costs later. The page also provides links to additional information that answers What is Mitigation? and Why does it matter?.

Texas recovering from disaster can find state-specific mitigation resources online at go.usa.gov/cuWzH.

Find out how to protect

your property at go.usa.gov/cuWtQ. This page offers a comprehensive overview of available publications to help protect your home or business against hazards such as earthquakes, fire, floods and high winds.

For more information about how to protect your property or business from disaster check out go.usa.gov/cuWzj and also get the specifics on how to:

- Protect Your Business from All Natural Hazards
- Protect Your Property from an Earthquake
- Protect Your Property from Fire
- Protect Your Property from Flooding
- Protect Your Property from High Winds

For more information on the Texas recovery from the April storms go to fema.gov/disaster/4269 or the Texas Division of Emergency Management website at tx.dps.state.tx.us/dem. Follow FEMA on Twitter @femaregion6.

## Texas sees 7% increase in new business creations in April

AUSTIN - Today, Secretary Carlos H. Cascos announced his agency saw a 7 percent increase in new business filings in April compared to the previous year.

"The growth of new businesses reflects a willingness for Texans to work hard and continue growing the Texas economy," said Secretary Cascos. "I think the number of filings reflects continued confidence in the long-term prospects of the Texas economy."

A total of 14,871 certificates of formation were filed with the Texas Secretary of State in April, creating new for-profit corporations, professional corporations, professional

associations, limited liability companies and limited partnerships. This represents a 7.1 percent increase over April 2015, which saw the formation of 13,874 new for-profit formations. These numbers exclude non-profit entities.

As of April 30, a total of 60,988 certificates of formation related to for-profit entities have been filed with the Secretary of State's office in calendar year 2016.

For more information on starting a business in Texas visit our website at www.sos.texas.gov or contact the Business and Public Filings Division at 512-463-5555.

## SATURDAY: VLB to host Texas Veterans Benefits Fair in Abilene State and federal officials join forces to help with veterans' benefits questions

AUSTIN—A free "come and go" benefits fair for Texas veterans will be held from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, May 21, at the Center for Contemporary Arts. The fair, targeting all area veterans, is one of many planned throughout the state in 2016.

Officials from the Texas Veterans Land Board will be on hand to provide information on state programs including land, housing and home improvement loans as well as Texas state veterans' cemeteries and nursing homes for veterans. As an intergovernmental partnership event between the Texas VLB, the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs and the Texas Veterans Commission, the benefits fair will provide Veterans and military members with access to representatives who can discuss pending claims, health care needs, education benefits and employment in addition to low-interest land, home and home improvement loan benefits.

Veterans wishing to discuss pending claims with VA officials should bring pertinent case information, including claim numbers if available. Veterans

are encouraged to drop in to learn more about their benefits any time between 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. and are not required to stay for the duration of the event.

For more information on the benefits fair, please call Jim Mickler at 1-800-252-VETS (8387). For more information on benefits available only to Texas veterans, such as veterans' cemeteries, nursing homes and low-interest land and home loans, call 1-800-252-8387 or visit www.texasveterans.com.

• WHO: Texas veterans, military members and their dependents

• WHAT: Free benefits fair for Texas veterans

• WHEN: May 21, 2016 - 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

• WHERE: Center for Contemporary Arts, 220 Cypress Street, Abilene TX 79601

• WHY: To help Texas veterans learn about improved state and federal benefits.

You can also follow the VLB on Facebook at www.facebook.com/TXVLB, or Twitter http://twitter.com/TexasVLB, or YouTube https://www.youtube.com/TexasVLB.

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## Cottonwood News by Beverly Brown

Torrential rains started Wednesday night and continued through Thursday morning. Most of the local rain gauges showed about 5 and 1/2 inches of rain. Many homes received water. Folks have been busy tearing up carpet and drying out their floors.

If you had damage, please contact the Cross Plains City Hall and let them know as they are compiling the list of damages from this area for FEMA.

FM 880 was shut down for a while on Thursday due to all the high water. Many of our roads have washed out places on them. Be patient. It will take a while for the roads to all get fixed.

There's no Cottonwood Musical this month. The musicals will resume next month on Friday, June 24.

We mentioned last week that Kaitlyn Potter, Portious and Kara's daughter, will be graduating later this month. She is the oldest of Dena Nickerson's great grandchildren. Dena has

25 grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Baccalaureate Services are Sunday night and the Graduation next Friday night, May 27th.

Other Seniors in our area are Billy Woodard, son of Erik and Christine Woodard; Dalton Gilliam, son of Shawna and Michael Tollett, and Kelli Bennett.

Kelli Bennett, daughter of Bryan and Grace Bennett and Debi Bennett, was honored at the Methodist Church on Sunday morning. She and the other seniors at the church, Shelby McWilliams, Darrin Ames and Kinsey Halsel each had a table showing their accomplishments at the church dinner. The church also made a quilt for each senior. Kelli's quilt is bright pink.

Kelli also received a scholarship from the Methodist Church and one from the Masonic Lodge.

The burn ban is OFF. You need to call the Sheriff's Office and let them know you are doing a control burn. Their number 325-854-1444.

## Clyde voters to pick County Commissioner Republican and Democratic Primary Runoff Election is Tuesday, May 24th

Callahan County voters will go to the polls this coming Tuesday, May 24 to select Democratic and Republican Primary run-off contestants for the upcoming General Election in November.

The Republican and Democratic Primary Runoff Elections will be held on Tuesday, May 24th at the Clyde Justice of the Peace Office located at 208 Oak Street in Clyde, Eula School located at 6040 FM 603 in Eula, Callahan County Courthouse in Baird and the First Baptist Church located at 301 N. Main in Cross Plains. Polls on Election Day will be open from 7:00 a.m. until 7:00 p.m.

Early voting for the Republican Primary Runoff Election and Democratic Primary Runoff Election is continuing now through Friday, May 20th at Callahan County Courthouse in Baird.

Early voting will only take place at the Callahan County Courthouse located at 100 W. 4th Street in Baird. The Republican and Democratic Primary Runoff Election hours will take place from 8:00 a.m.

until 5:00 p.m.

In Callahan County, the Republican Callahan County Commissioner Precinct #1 race is the only office being contested between incumbent Harold Hicks and challenger John Windham.

Other Republican Primary runoff races include:

For Railroad Commissioner between Gary Gates and Wayne Christian.

For Judge, Court of Criminal Appeals, Place #2 between Ray Wheelless and Mary Lou Keel.

For Judge, Court of Criminal Appeals, Place #5 between Brent Webster and Scott Walker.

For State Senator, District #24 between Susan King and Dawn Buckingham.

On the Democratic Primary Runoff Election, there is only one race being contested for Railroad Commissioner between Grady Yarbrough and Cody Garrett.

A complete Sample Ballot of both the Democratic and Republican Primary Elections appears inside this week's newspaper.

## Callahan County Library news

From the Past  
Callahan County Clarendon  
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Personal  
Mr. J. M. Weeks of Pilot Point spent several days in town this week.

Mr. J. N. Browning, Judge Fleming and Capt. Maltby made us a pleasant call this morning.

We met the genial Mr. Turner, the obliging ticket agent of the T. & P., of Dallas, on our streets this morning. He is looking for a sheep ranch.

Mr. C. L. Sweet came down from Big Spring last Thursday night and returned again yesterday. He reports that town as on a continual boom.

Mr. Cain Elkins, of Coleman, spent several days in town this week. He is building at Colorado, to which place he will move soon. He has many friends in Baird.

Mr. Geo. Bauer, formerly proprietor of the Nip and Tuck saloon here was in town a while on Thursday. He is the same jolly, whole-souled, wide awake citizen he used to be.

Mr. John Smith, an aged gentleman of Hope, Arkansas, who has been on a visit for about three months with the family of Capt. W. J. Maltby, in this county, returned home last Thursday evening. He took with him some samples of our productions out of the Captain's garden, with which he expects to astonish the people of his place.

Grading Wool  
Messrs. Wright & Seay's wool house is now almost full of wool and still they pile in more. They

sent out an order for a bailing press yesterday and as soon as it arrives they will bale and ship the wool to market. Their plan is to rip open each sack, assort the wool into three different grades, so that each grade can be sold upon its own merit, and this we think is a good plan. Wool growers make a great mistake in bagging wool by putting in the good, bad and indifferent, thinking that the good will aid in selling the inferior, when the truth is, that the bad condemns and diminishes the value of the wool, thus wool if sold by the lot brings from thirteen to fifteen cents per pound instead of, say a few sacks, being sold at twelve and a half cents and the remainder at twenty-one cents. Grade your wool into several lots, tie up your fleeces well, being sure that no trash or tag locks are put in and you will find that it pays in the end; besides it will make you a reputation which will be worth more than you can compute. Try it.

Baird Shipments and Receipts  
The following is a list of the shipments and receipts at the depot at this place, for the week, ending Thursday evening.

Receipts: Mdse. 17 cars; flour 1; lumber 3; shingles 1. Forwarded: Stock 17 cars; household goods 2; material 3; scrap iron 1. Through Freight: St. Louis 45 cars; Cairo 20; Memphis 3; Houston 1; Sedalia 1; Galveston 2; San Antonio 1; Austin 1; Hannibal 1; Kansas City 1. Through West: 66.

DIED: DRISKILL - At the residence of J. W. Day at Belle Plain, on the 9th inst., the infant son of S. L. and Laura J. Driskill, aged five months.

## Senior Citizens Center Activities

May 23rd - May 27th

Monday-23rd Crafts with Chris 10:30/Exercise 11:00

Tuesday-24th Exercise 11:00

Wednesday-25th Exercise 11:00/Blood Pressure Check-Kendrick at Home of Eastland

Thursday-26th Exercise 11:00

Friday -27th (Veterans Honored 11:45) Veteran's Eat Free

Cross Plains Senior Citizens Center seeks to nurture our aging population through nutritional, social and educational programs our goal is for all seniors, both well and frail, to utilize our services to enrich their lives.

## SENIOR CITIZENS MENU

May 23th-May27th

Monday 23rd-Salisbury Steak, Poatoes, Carrots, Bread, Dessrt

Tuesday 24th-Fried Fish, Coleslaw, Pinto Beans, Huspuppies, Desset.

Wednesday 25th-Chicken Fried Steak, Poatoes& Gravy, English Peas, Bread, Dessert

Thursday 26th - Chicken & Dressing, Sweet Poatoes, Green Beans, Bread, Dessert

Friday 27th- Chopped BBQ on bun, Pickle/Onion, Pintoe beans, Oven Fries

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

Monthly Menu may be picked up at the Senior Citizen Center



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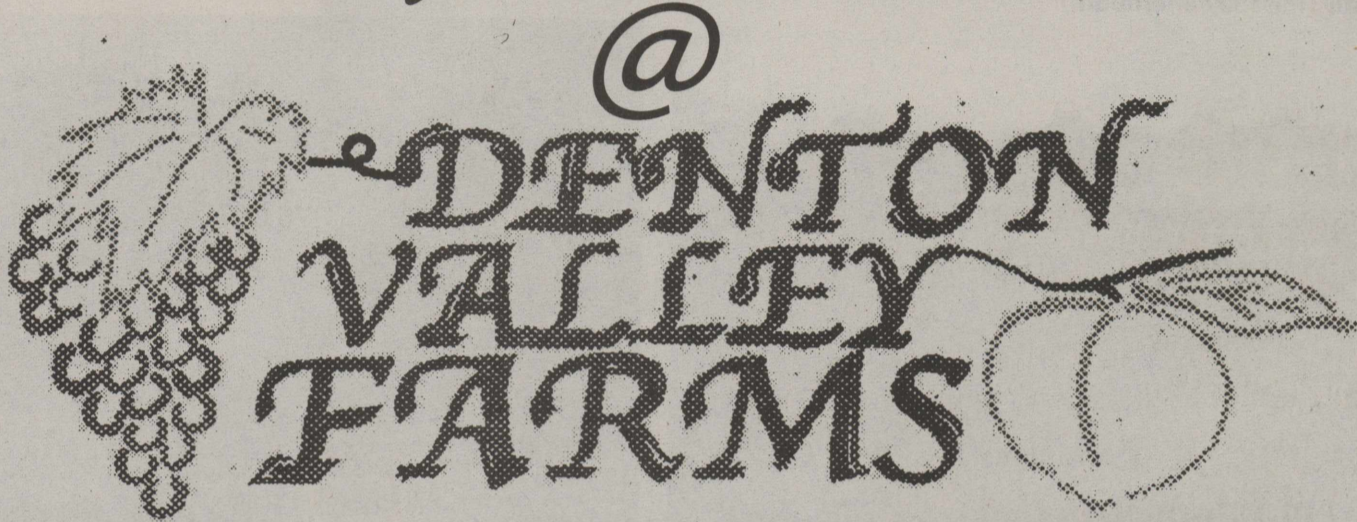
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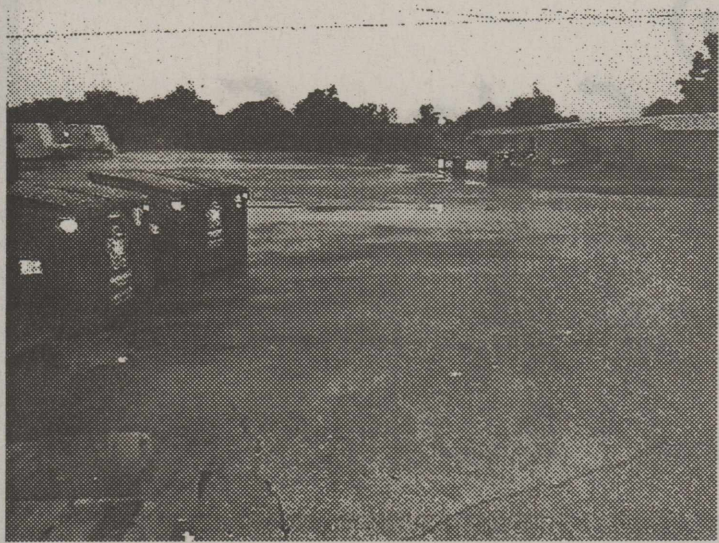
# Flooding in the Cross Plains Area



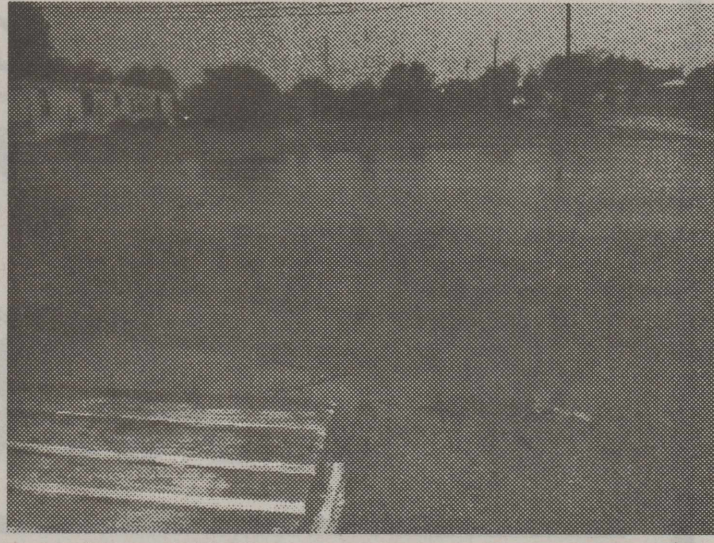
Flooding Inside Lowe's Market - The store was closed until Thursday afternoon.



The Backroom at Lowe's Market.



Behind Lowe's Market.



Behind Lowe's Market.



Avenue D and Highway 36, next to Food Plaza

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## Oplin's 20th Annual Memorial Day Services

Everyone is invited to Oplin's 20th Annual Memorial Day Services. Services will begin at 9:00 a.m. on May 30th at the Oplin Cemetery which is located about 1/4 mile east of F.M. 604 S. on F.M. 2926 (just down from the community center). Clyde Boy Scout Troop 223 will be on hand to present colors and the Texas National Guard

will present arms during our services. Immediately after our services, snacks will be served at our community center. So gather the entire family and join us in remembering and honoring our fallen veterans as well as to thank and honor those men and women who have served or are still serving our great country.

## Pioneer Cemetery Work Day Saturday May 21st

There will be a Pioneer Cemetery work day held on Saturday, May 21st, 2016 beginning at 9:00am in preparation for the annual Memorial Day Service. The mowing will be done by the regular mowing crew, but a few other things need attention. The pavilion should be cleaned, old flags and flowers picked up and fire ant poison put where needed.

Please bring shovels, hoes, wheelbarrows and other tools that might be useful. Especially needed is water for cleaning. Anyone with an interest in the cemetery are invited to help. If you are not able to work, supervisors are always welcome. Your support is appreciated by the board members and by all that will be attending the Memorial Day Service.

## COURTHOUSE NEWS

**Callahan County Court**  
Roger Corn, presiding

**Misdemeanor Minutes**

Christian A. Dickerson, motion to dismiss to possession of marijuana granted for plea to other case.

Jeremy D. Menchaca, motion to dismiss to driving while intoxicated (DWI) granted for time spent in jail.

Jeremy D. Menchaca, motion to dismiss to theft by check granted for time spent in jail.

Lowell Davis, motion to dismiss to DWI granted for plea to other case.

Tina Mutchler, end of term order discharging defendant under misdemeanor probation.

Matthew R. Mear-Wilkinson, end of term order discharging defendant under deferred adjudication.

Rebecca A. Sosa, motion to dismiss to theft granted for plea to other case.

Christopher Owen, plea of guilty to theft, 20 days in jail, \$319 court costs.

Jessica L. Sellers, plea of guilty to possession of marijuana, 1 year probation, \$500 fine, \$329 court costs.

Christian L. Dickerson, plea of guilty to possession of marijuana, 30 days in jail, \$329 court costs.

Aaron D. Abbott, plea of guilty to possession of marijuana, 1 year probation, \$500 fine, \$429 court costs.

Kelly Kilpatrick, plea of guilty to DWI, 1 year probation, \$500 fine, \$429 court costs.

Sammie Hardy Jr., plea of guilty to DWI, 1 year probation, \$500 fine, \$429 court costs.

Donald L. Phiffer, plea of guilty to possession of marijuana, 1 year probation, \$500 fine, \$329 court costs.

Keegan Konigsmark, plea of guilty to DWI, 1 year probation, \$500 fine, \$429 court costs.

**Marriage Licenses**

Jarid Heath Armstrong and Jaymie Lynn Yearwood, both of Baird.

Gary Lee Jenkins and Billy Paul Thompson, both of Clyde.

Clayton Edward James and Shonda Dayle Zimmerman, both of Baird.

**42nd District Court**  
John Weeks, presiding

**Civil Filings**

Wendell Ryan Moore and Lacey Lauren Moore, divorce.

Michelle Lynn Boudreaux and Claude Albert boudreaux, divorce.

Victoria Carter vs. Kimberly Propest Goldsmith and Steven Ray Goldsmith, debt/contract.

Lawrence Farm and Ranch Supply vs. Alvin L. Turner, debt/contract.

Cross Plains Economic Development Corporation vs. Danny Johnson, debt/contract.

Yahdiah Hawkins vs. Al-Yahnai Fountain Ben Yisrayl Hawkins, declaratory judgment.

Carrie Ann Hernandez and Rudy Hernandez III, divorce.

Bradley Steven Sargent and Kristen Carlene Sargent, divorce.

Bobbie Jo Smith-Damron and Chad Lee Damron, divorce.

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# Homes and Businesses Flood in Cross Plains and Cottonwood



Flooding in Cottonwood. FM 880 was shut down for a while on Thursday.

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Flooding on one of the Country Roads in Cottonwood



High Water in Cottonwood. Many of the county roads sustained damage.



Highway 206 Heading South of Town

Photos of the Flooding taken by Teresa Koenig, Joe Terstegge and Kathleen Terstegge.

## Cross Plains Remembered Books Available

Limited copies of three Cross Plains Remembered books are available. The three volumes each contain hundreds of photographs of people and places in Cross Plains, as well as stories and remembrances from the past.

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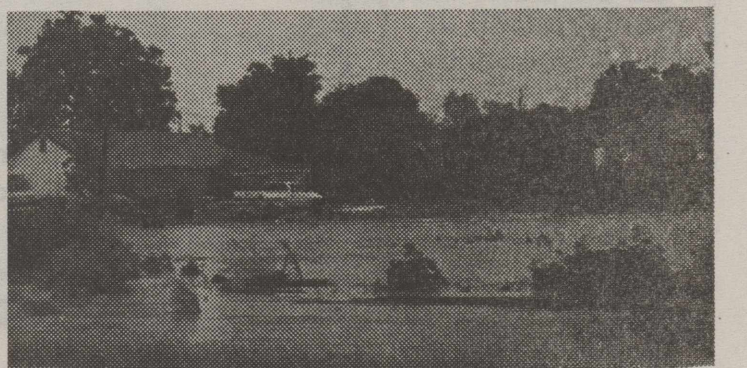
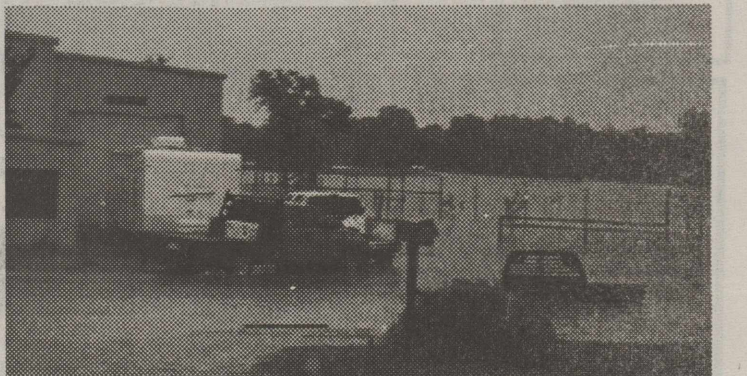
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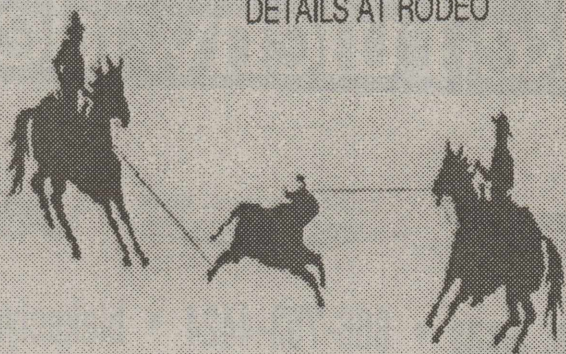
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May 24, 2016 - 24 de mayo de 2016  
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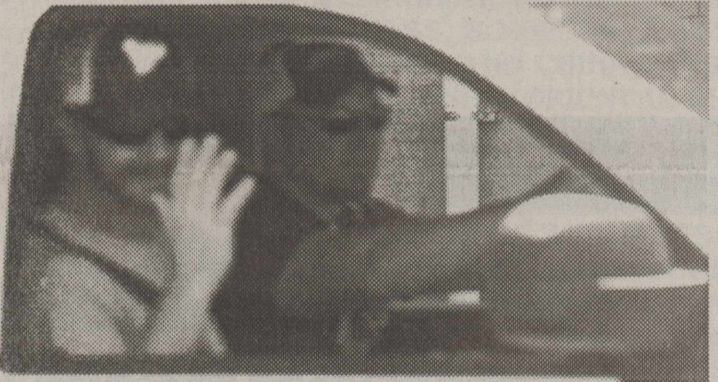
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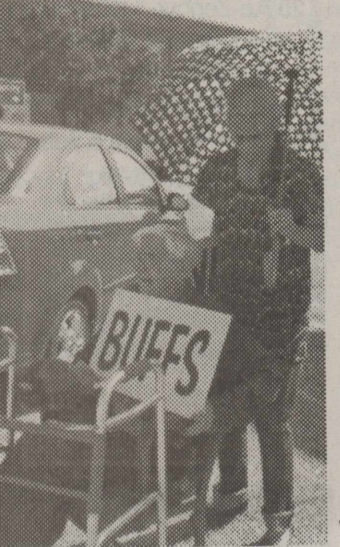
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## Send Off for the Boys and Girls Track Teams



Heading to State - Boys in the Back Row: Larson Walker, Holden Senclair, Dobbs McWilliams, Kalden Petree, Creed Goode, Joseph Crockett; and Girls in the Front Row: Jackilann Shepard, Shana Yates, Shelby McWilliams, Grace Goode, Lorelei Woodard, Kersey Wyatt



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Girls Track Team Comes in Fourth at State - From left to right: Shana Yates, Jackilann Shepard, Grace Goode, Shelby McWilliams, Lorelei Woodard, and Kersey Wyatt

## Project Graduation Ready for the Seniors Big Night

The Steering Committee for Project Graduation is busy with gifts, food, games, monies and etc. for our Seniors big night. Project Graduation is an all night alcohol/tobacco free even for the Cross Plains High School Graduates and a guest of their choice. Twenty-four Seniors will be graduating on May 27th at 7 p.m. in the Cross Plains Gymnasium. The event is a fun-filled night of great food, prizes, games,

music, monies and great fellowship. The group will enjoy food of their choice and games, and movies specifically chosen for them. Thanks for all the help from our great CARING community. Without you this could not happen. So far, we have \$1300 cash and 225 prizes to give to the seniors. Do the math. Seniors, it will be beneficial to stay the night.

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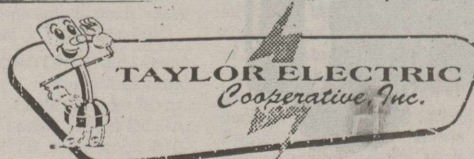
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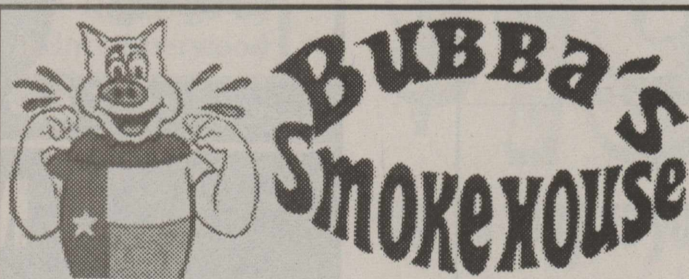
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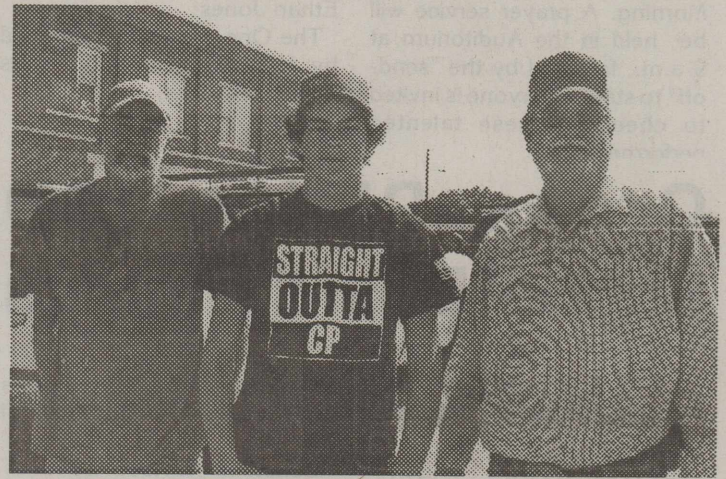
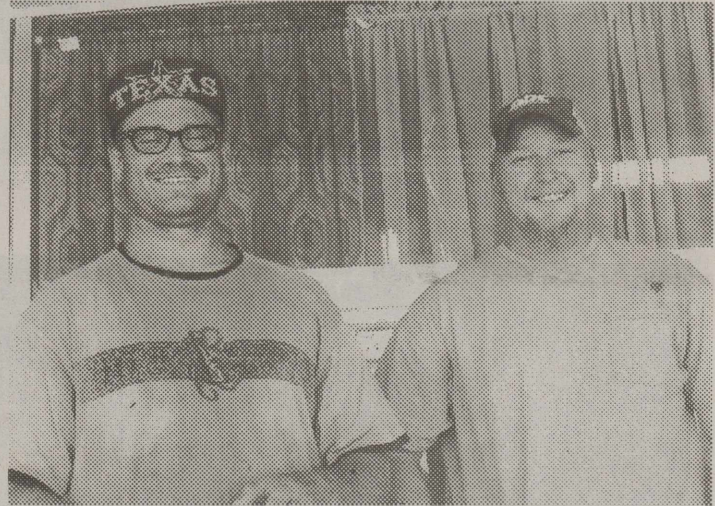
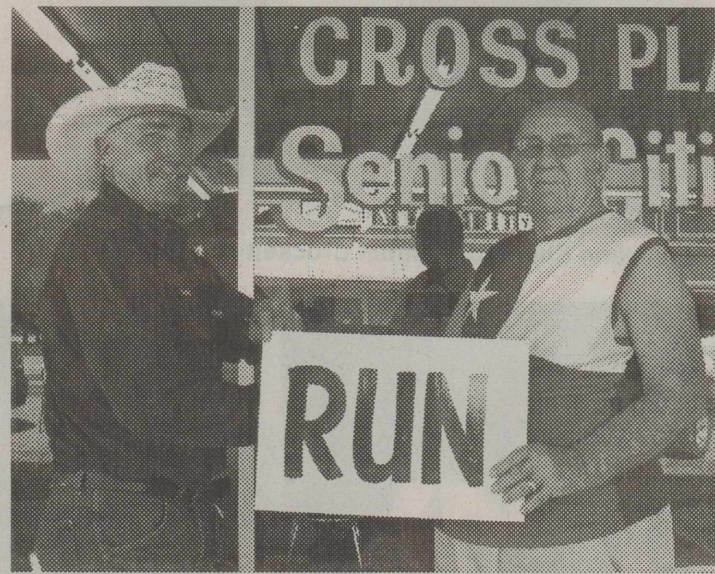
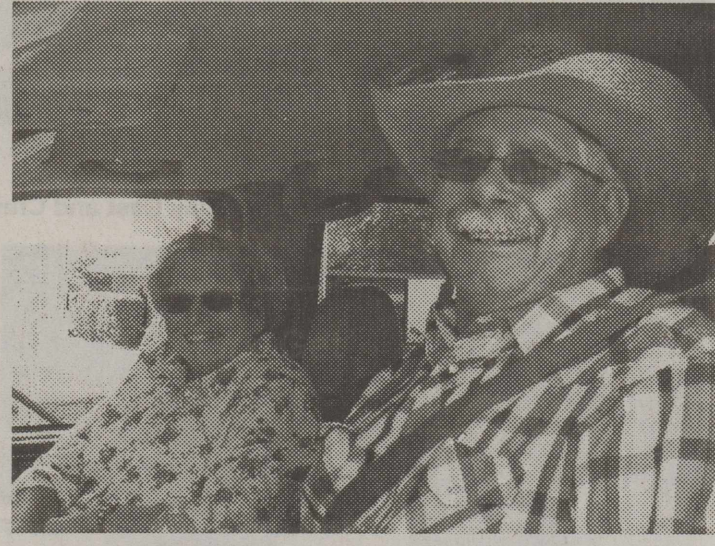
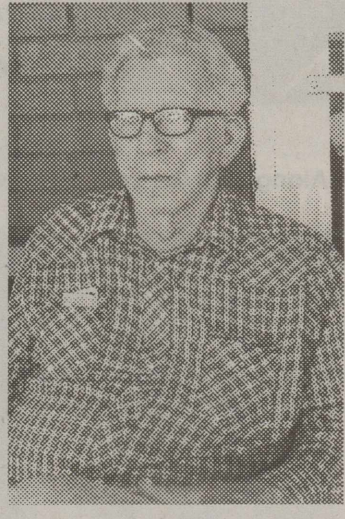
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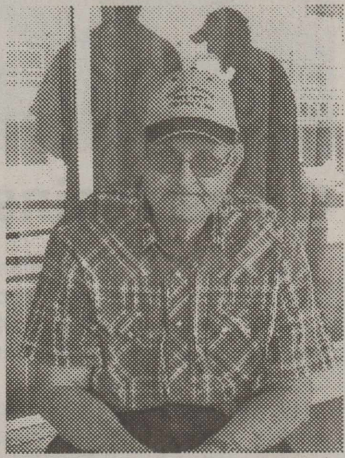
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The Cross Plains Public Library will be hosting the Summer Reading Program again this year with the emphasis on Sports. Miss Sue's Little Champion Readers will meet each Wednesday at 1:00 (except on movie days, all at 1:15). She will have stories and crafts for children 6 years and younger. Our main program (all ages) will begin at 2:00 each Wednesday, except on movie days (1:15). We will meet for 8 weeks and the following is our schedule:  
 June 15: Roping Demonstration  
 June 2: Field Trip to Fire Department  
 June 29: Movie - Air Bud, July 6: Intramural Day  
 July 13: Movie: Angels in the Outfield  
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 Guest \$30 pp/meal and entertainment, limited tickets available

Can't join in on the fun? Consider purchasing a raffle ticket. The winner will receive 5 Certified PAMP 100g Silver Bars Lunar Calendar Series 2014 Year of the Horse. Total estimated value: \$450. Donated by advocates of Free to Breathe. Tickets are 1 for \$5 or 5 for \$20.



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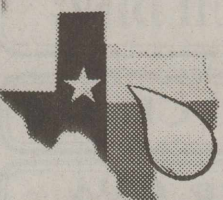
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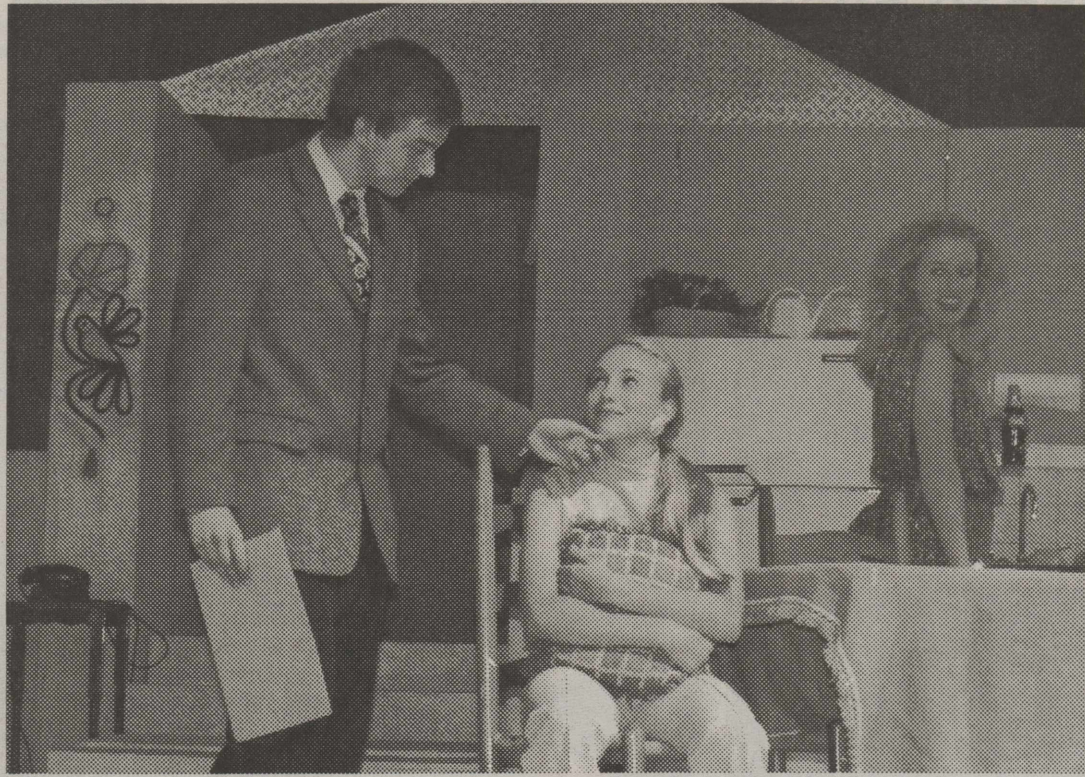
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One Act Play Cast and Crew. Along with the cast, the crew has won several awards

## One Act Play Performs to Good Crowd Here; Heads to State Sunday

Local residents filled the CPISD Auditorium on Sunday afternoon to see the OAP's performance of the play, *Crimes of the Heart* by Beth Henley.

The audience enjoyed the performance and desserts that were served before and after the event.

The One Act Play Cast and Crew has performed this play at District, Area and Regional Competition and has advanced to the State Competition. Many of the Cast and Crew have won individual awards, as well.

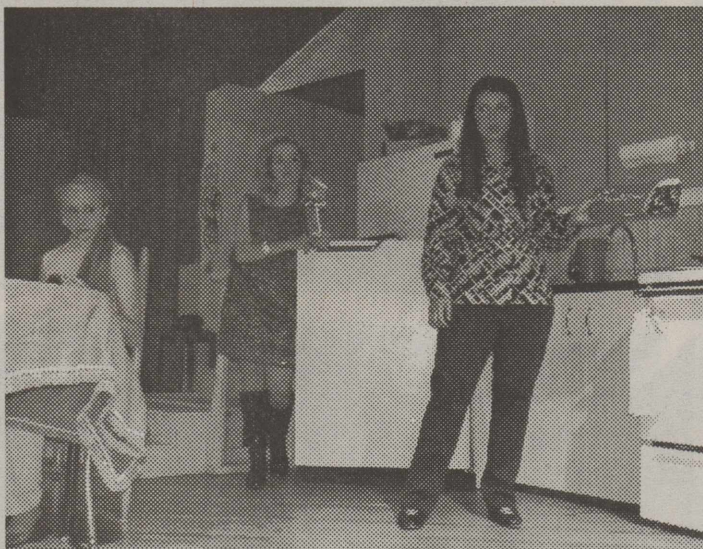
The OAP Cast and Crew will be heading to the State Competition on Sunday Morning. A prayer service will be held in the Auditorium at 9 a.m., followed by the "send-off" to state. Everyone is invited to cheer on these talented performers.

The State Performance will be on Monday, May 23rd at 4 p.m. in the Austin ISD Performing Arts Center. Tickets for the State Performance can be purchased through the Austin ISD website.

One Act Play Cast features: Billie Pointer as Lenny Magrath; Allie Jones as Chick Boyle; Hannah Crockett as Meg Magrath; Jackilann Shepard as Babe Botrelle and Jack Larimore as Barrett Lloyd.

Crew for the production: Crew: Larson Walker, Ky Stout and Samuel Guerrero. Light and Sound: Chance Thompson and Seth Wyatt. Alternates: Mallory McCready, Jordan Collier and Ethan Jones.

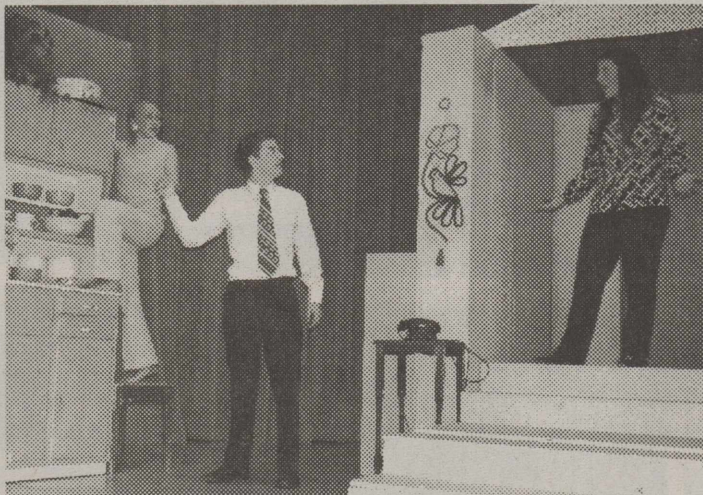
The One Act Play is directed by Matt Sowell, Stacy Jones and Brad Jones.



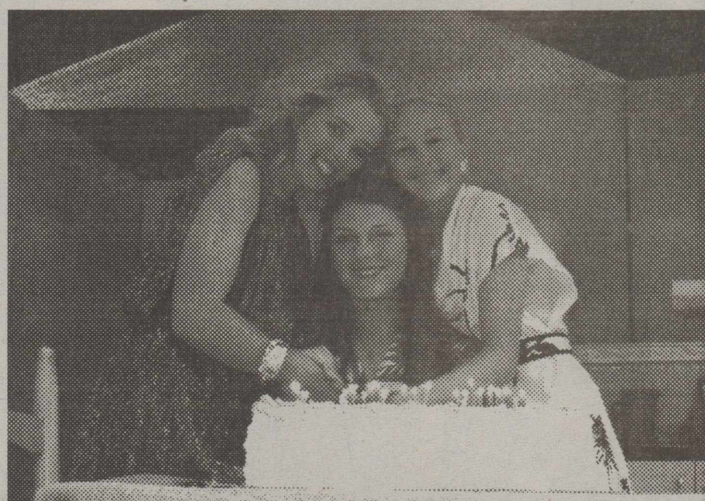
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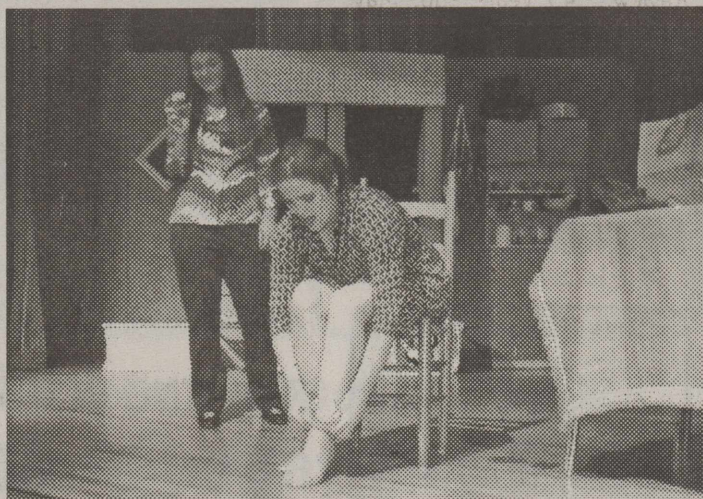
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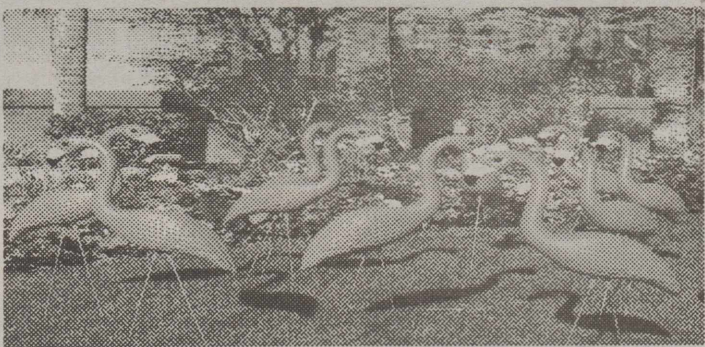
Jackilann Shepard, Jack Larimore and Billie Pointer



Hannah Crockett, Billie Pointer and Jackilann Shepard



Billie Pointer and Allie Jones



## Cross Plains Be Warned

The Cross Plains Junior High Cheerleaders have received word that numerous flocks of Pink Flamingos are headed for Cross Plains this Summer.

The cheerleaders are prepared to help out. For just \$10.00 a yard, we will issue you Flamingo Insurance to guarantee that your yard will not be flocked.

If you wish to see a friend's yard receive a flocking, we can make sure that happens for just

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Thank you for joining us in some good spirited fun as we raise money for camp and uniforms.

To purchase insurance or flock a friend please call Karri Shepard at 432-553-6807 or contact any Junior High cheerleader: Caley Box, Amber Fidler, Jordan Hampton, Kinlee Mathews, Madilyn Shepard, or Taylor Wyatt.

## Cross Plains ISD School Board Minutes

CROSS PLAINS INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

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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 May 18, 2016, beginning at 8:00 p.m. in the Board Room. The subjects to be discussed or considered upon which any formal action may be taken are as follows:

REGULAR MEETING

May 18, 2016 (8:00 p.m.)

CALL MEETING TO ORDER

Open Forum

New Business

Perform Oath of Office for Newly Elected Board Members

Organize the Board (President, Vice-President, Secretary, Asst. Secretary)

Approve Minutes from Previous Meeting

Review Bills/Finance Report

Canvass the results from the May 7, 2016 General Trustee Election and Adoption of an Order Declaring the Results of the General Trustee

Canvass the Results from the May 7, 2016 Bond Election and Adoption of an Order Declaring the Results of the Bond Election

and Containing Provisions necessary and Incidental Thereto

Consider Revised 2016-17 School Calendar

Consider Revised 2015-16 School Calendar

Approve 2015-16 Safety Audit

Superintendent's Report

Update on Grant Applications

Review Salaries for 2016-17

Baccalaureate is Sunday, May 22 at 6:00 p.m. at the Baptist Church

Senior Graduation is Friday, May 27 at 7:00 p.m.

STAAR/End of Course Testing Results

Sign Diplomas

Adjourn

If, during the course of the meeting, any discussion of any 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 taken in open meeting.

This notice was posted in compliance with the Open Meetings Act on May 13, 2016, at 3:00 p.m.



Billie Pointer, Hannah Crockett and Jackilann Shepard

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Ms. Cowan's pre-K class enjoyed a field trip to the Cross Plains Library Tuesday morning. Eighteen students learned all about what the library has to offer and enjoyed story time. After the tour, the children were presented a book bag, along with a free book, coloring book, snack, and information on how to get a library card, and a notice about the upcoming Summer Reading Program.

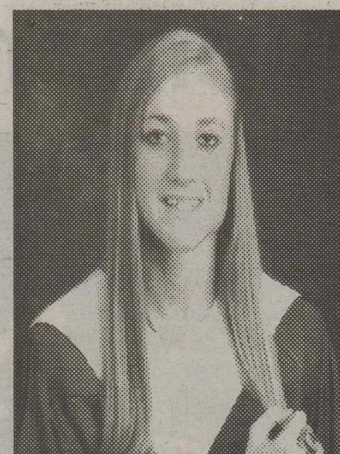
CROSS PLAINS I.S.D. WEEKLY MENU May 23-27, 2016					
	MONDAY 23	TUESDAY 24	WEDNESDAY 25	THURSDAY 26	FRIDAY 27
<b>B R E A K F A S T</b>	Sausage Kolache Yogurt Cereal Fruit Assorted juice Milk	Breakfast Pizza Cereal Fruit Assorted juice Milk	Cheese Omelet Cereal Fruit Assorted juice Milk	Waffles Sausage Cereal Assorted juice Milk	Managers Choice Cereal Assorted juice Milk
<b>L U N C H</b>	Corn Dog Baked beans Broccoli Pineapple tidbits Milk	Country Fried Steak w/ gravy Mashed potatoes Green beans Roll Strawberry cup Milk	Pizza Carrot coins Garden salad Rosy-Applesauce Milk	Chicken nuggets Mac & cheese Green beans Garden salad Fruit Milk	Turkey & Cheese Sub Baby carrots w/ranch Seasoned corn Baked chips Fruit Milk



Rebekah Jane Crockett



Kelli Sue Bennett



Shelby Jean McWilliams

## Masonic Lodge selects five area students to receive scholarships

Five area students have been selected to receive \$1000 college scholarships sponsored by the Cross Plains Masonic Lodge #627. The graduating seniors from both Cross Plains and Rising Star high schools were selected for their demonstrated academic achievements and community involvement.

Rebekah Jane Crockett of Cross Plains is the daughter of Davy and Kim Crockett and plans to seek a degree in Elementary Education from Abilene Christian University.

Kelli Sue Bennett of Cross Plains is the daughter of Bryan and Debi Bennett and will major

in psychology at Texas State University in San Marcos.

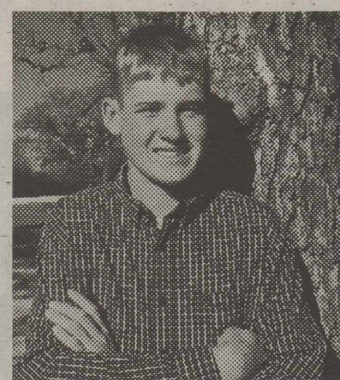
Shelby Jean McWilliams of Cross Plains, daughter of John and Melody McWilliams, will attend McMurray University with a major in Physical Therapy.

Matthew Gary Lawrence of Comanche is the son of Howard and Caryl Lawrence and will pursue a degree in Mathematics and a teaching certificate at Tarleton State University in Stephenville.

Megan Brook Wilson, daughter of Steven and Cathy Wilson of Rising Star will attend Cisco Junior College.



Megan Wilson



Matthew Lawrence



Kindergarten Writing Contest Winners. Contest sponsored by the Cross Plains Public Library.

## Atwell Cemetery Association Annual Meeting and Work Day Slated for May 28th and 29th

There will be a work day at the cemetery on Saturday, 28, 2016 beginning at 10:00 a.m. Please bring your rakes, hoes, brooms, old rags to clean benches and your gasoline leaf blowers. Your help with this cemetery clean-up will be appreciated by the association.

Also the Atwell Cemetery Association will hold their

annual meeting and Memorial Service on Sunday. Bring your favorite covered dishes vegetables, meats, salads, and dessert to share with your friends and neighbors. The Association will furnish the bread, tea, ice, and picnic supplies.

All are invited to attend the meeting.

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## From the Cross Plains Review - 45 Years Ago May 16, 1971

From the Cross Plains Review... 45 years ago, May 12, 1971.

39 local ladies finish Nurses-Aide Training Course, taught by Mrs. John (Mary) Knott. The graduates are: Mrs. Tommie Harris, Mrs. Deel Edington, Mrs. Glenn Williams, Mrs. Oscar Koenig, Mrs. R. C. Gilmore, Mrs. Virginia Harris, Mrs. Duke McIntosh, Mrs. Lester Barr, Mrs. W. M. Stansbury, Mrs. O. B. Switzer, Mrs. Allie Montgomery, Mrs. Lena Kincheloe, Mrs. Sam Lane, Mrs. Morris Thomas, Mrs. Walter Pope, Mrs. Bill Pope, Mrs. Jerry Allen, Miss Naomi McCowen, Mrs. Rex Maxwell, Mrs. Betty Weiss, Mrs. James Nichols, Mrs. Conova Weaver, Mrs. Donald Stover, Mrs. Wayne Dennis, Mrs. Rozelle Gary, Mrs. Audrey Purvis, Mrs. Louise Paschall, Mrs. Frank Aiken, Mrs. Sallie Whiteley, Miss Janet Whiteley, Mrs. Jo Washburn, Mrs. Jessie Kelly, Mrs. Elvis B. Scott, Mrs. Douglas Weiss, Mrs. W. H. Kelly, Miss Martha Duncan, Miss Kathy Nickerson, Mrs. Pauline McAnally.

John Purvis was chosen to head the Cottonwood Historical Association. Mrs. Norman Coffey was chosen as secretary-treasurer. The Board of Directors elected at the meeting was composed of: Grady Ramey, Albert Lovell, Hazel I. Respass, John Purvis and Mrs. Norman Coffey. Dan Mitchell, Norman Coffey and Mrs. John Purvis will serve on the business and auditing committee.

Four local teachers resigned at the end of the school year. They are Mrs. D. C. Lee and Mrs. Raymond DeBusk, both are retiring; and Lee Bulls and Mrs. W. R. Taylor, both are leaving the profession. Bulls is resigning to enter the ministry. Mrs. Taylor will become a full time homemaker.

Miss Sissy Barr is listed among the honor students to receive awards during commencement exercises at Sam Houston State University in Huntsville.

Men's Dress Shirts in stripes and pastels are on sale at Johnson's Dry Goods for \$3.98.

The Buffalo Car Wash is now open on South Main Street. 25 cents for 5 minutes. Owned and operated by Kent Bowden and Jammie Fry.

## From the Cross Plains Review - 63 Years Ago April 30, 1953

From the Cross Plains Review... 63 years ago, April 30, 1953.

Construction has started on the new Dairy Bar building located on Highway 36. The business will offer all kinds of soft and hard ice cream, as well as cold drinks, hamburgers, hot dogs and sandwiches. Mrs. Arlie Breeding will have hard of the business when it opens.

Anita Newton, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lewis E. Newton

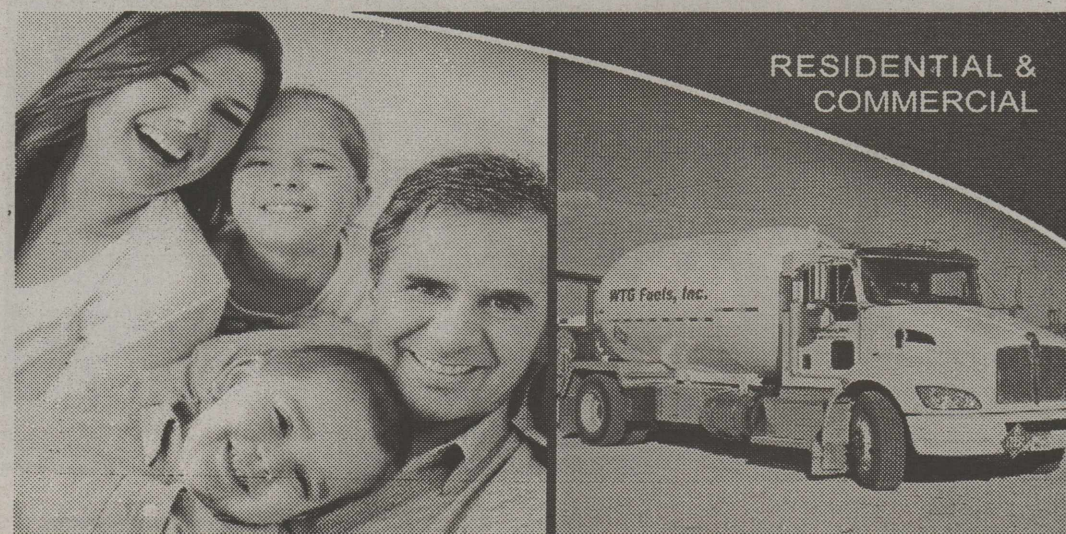
of Cross Cut, made the Honor Roll at Tarleton State.

Barbara Sue Garrett, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Garrett, has been elected president of the Aglain Literary - Social Club at Texas State College for Women.

On the School lunch menu: Meat loaf, Ranch Style Beans, Turkey and Dressing, Barbecued franks with hot biscuits butter and honey, and Fried fish.

At the Plains Theater: John Wayne and Maureen O'Hara in *The Quiet Man*, James Stewart and Janet Leigh in *The Naked Spur* and Marjorie Main and Percy Kilbride in *Ma and Pa Kettle on Vacation*.

On sale at Tom Cox's Farmer's Market: Coffee, 85 cents a pound; Banana Squash, 10 cents a pound, New Potatoes, 8 cents a pound; Ground Beef, 2 pounds for 75 cents.



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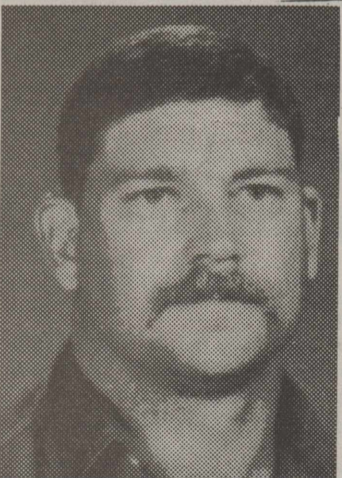
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Third Grade



First Grade



Coach Cord Woerner, Photo from the 1990s when he was Cross Plains High School's Head Coach  
**Former Head Football Coach Cord Woerner to Speak at Athletic Banquet on May 19th**

Cross Plains High School Sports Banquet will be held on Thursday, May 19th at 6:30 p.m. at the First Baptist Church. Former Head Football Coach Cord Woerner will be the guest speaker. Dinner will be \$10 a plate, catered by Circle M BBQ.



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Fifth Grade

## Sales Tax Holiday for Water-Efficient, ENERGY STAR® Products Set for May 28th-30th

AUSTIN — Texas families can save on the purchase of certain water-efficient and water-conserving products and energy-efficient appliances during the state's new Water-Efficient Products and annual ENERGY STAR® sales tax holidays. Both take place Saturday, May 28, through Monday, May 30.

The Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts estimates shoppers will save an estimated \$8.7 million in state and local sales tax during the Memorial Day Weekend sales tax holidays.

"Anyone who has lived through a Texas summer knows that this is the time of year when our state is hit by peak demands for both water and electricity," said Texas Comptroller Glenn Hegar. "These two sales tax holidays, both set for Memorial Day weekend, give Texans the opportunity to save some

money while upgrading their homes and businesses with energy-efficient appliances and water-conserving products."

The Water-Efficient Products Sales Tax Holiday is new this year, having been approved by the Texas Legislature in 2015. Products that display a WaterSense® label or logo can be purchased tax free for personal or business use. These include showerheads, bathroom sink faucets and accessories, toilets, urinals and landscape irrigation controls.

The sales tax holiday also applies to water-conserving products used or planted for conserving or retaining groundwater, recharging water tables or decreasing ambient air temperature to limit water evaporation. Items that qualify for the exemption include soaker or drip-irrigation hoses; a moisture control for a sprinkler or irrigation system; mulch; and

plants, trees and grasses. These items can only be purchased tax free for personal use.

There is no limit to the number of water-efficient or water-conserving products you can purchase. For a complete list of items and more information on the Water-Efficient Products Sales Tax Holiday, go to the Comptroller's website.

During the ENERGY STAR Sales Tax Holiday, the following energy-efficient products that display the ENERGY STAR logo can be purchased tax free: qualified air conditioners priced at \$6,000 or less; refrigerators priced at \$2,000 or less; ceiling fans; fluorescent light bulbs; dishwashers; dehumidifiers; and clothes washers (clothes dryers are not included). Go to the Comptroller's website for more ENERGY STAR Sales Tax Holiday details.



**RESTOCKING CLYDE LAKE**--A Texas Parks & Wildlife Department employee releases over 15,000 Florida Largemouth Bass into Clyde Lake on Thursday, May 5th. After reaching historic low levels, Clyde Lake ran over its spillway at 10:21 a.m. Thursday morning, May 12th after heavy rainfall earlier in the morning.

## Clyde Lake restocked with 15,986 Largemouth Bass

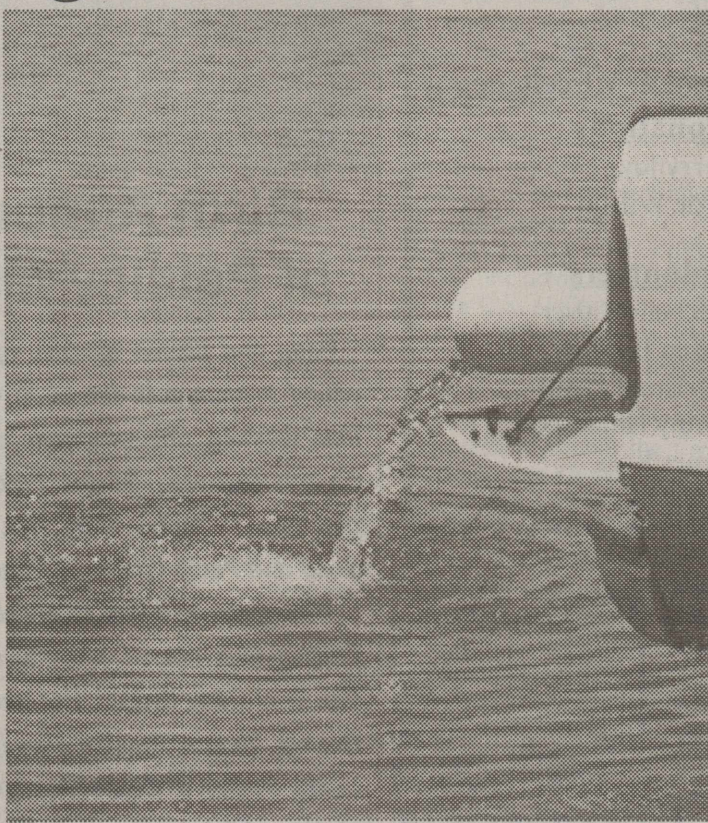
Clyde Lake was stocked on Thursday, May 5th by the Texas Parks & Wildlife Department with 15,986 Florida Largemouth Bass. The Largemouth Bass were produced at the TPWD Athens hatchery. On average, the stocked Largemouth Bass were about 1.8 inches in length.

According to Natural Resources Specialist Natalie Goldstrohm, "TPWD Inland Fisheries is hoping to restore fisheries to Lake Clyde in the shortest time possible, but it will take some time for these fish to grow and become a catchable size. It may take two to three years for sport fish to grow to legal size."

Goldstrohm said the legal size to keep is 14 inches. A valid Texas fishing license is required to fish all public waters in Texas. She said along with the Largemouth Bass, some minnows were also stocked into Clyde Lake.

Goldstrohm said anyone fishing in Clyde Lake should not remove fish from one body of water to another. Moving fish from one body of water to another public water body is illegal and requires special permission and permits from TPWD.

Goldstrohm said the TPWD will also be stocking some



**SOME 15,986 FLORIDA LARGEMOUTH BASS WERE RELEASED INTO CLYDE LAKE ON THURSDAY, MAY 5TH. THE LARGEMOUTH BASS AVERAGED 1.8 INCHES IN LENGTH AND WILL BE THE LEGAL CATCHING SIZE IN TWO TO THREE YEARS.**

Bluegill into Clyde Lake and plans are also being made to restock Clyde Lake with 15,000 catfish.

Goldstrohm said that along

with Clyde Lake, the TPWD also recently restocked Fort Phantom Hill Lake and Lake Abilene with Largemouth Bass.

## Computer Class Thursday May 19

The Cross Plains Public Library will be holding the next computer class on Thursday, May 19th at 6:30 p.m. in our multi-purpose room.

This is a class to learn about the Linux Mint operating system, as well as how to use the available free software. Hank Ball from Cottonwood is volunteering his time as instructor. This class is available for everyone who wants to learn this system.

Bring your laptop and a flash drive to try this system out before you decide to download it.

## "Seabiscuit" Book-to-Movie Event

The Cross Plains Public Library will host a book-to-movie event featuring "Seabiscuit" at the Cross-Plains Senior Citizens Center on Thursday, June 30 at 5:30p.m. Participants may pick up a copy of the book for only \$5 at the library, while supplies last.

We will view the movie and then head to Jean's Feed Barn for a Dutch-treat dinner to discuss the book vs. the movie.

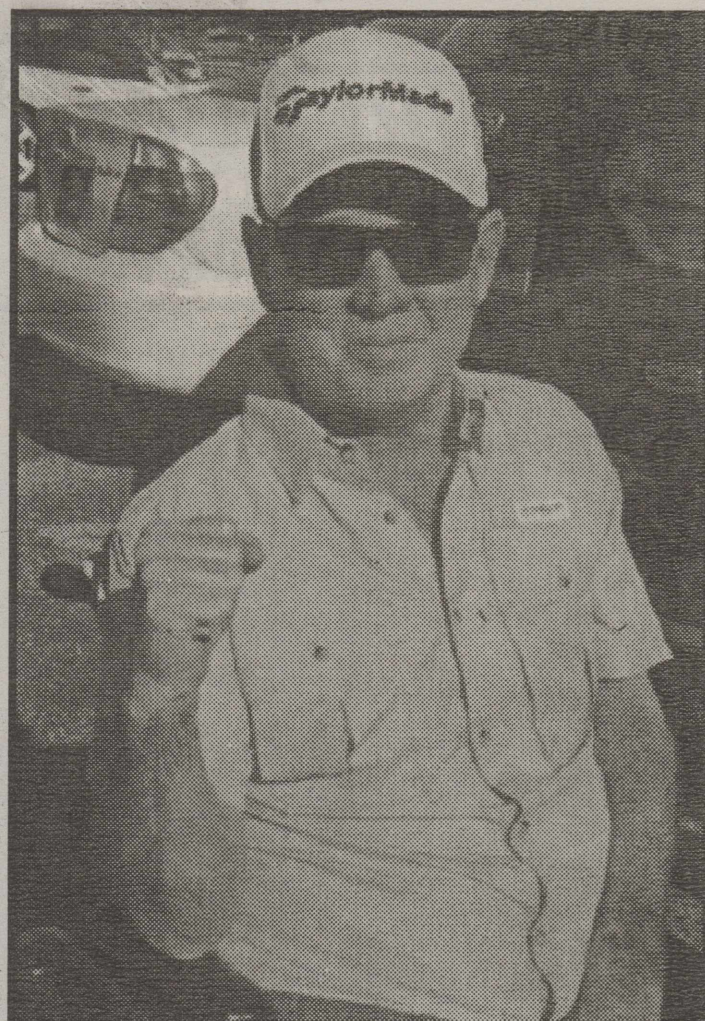
If you want to participate, but wish to download the book on your Nook or Kindle, please call Sandra at the library (725-7722) and sign up.

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Longtime Clyde native Larry Young.

## Golf Scramble set for May 22nd to raise funds to help Larry Young

Friends and Family of Larry & Christy Young longtime residents of Clyde are holding a 3 person golf scramble at Shady Oaks Golf Course, Sunday May 22nd. Entry is \$225 per team, cart included - 3:00 tee time, registration begins at 2:00 - entry deadline is May 19th.

There will be live music and a meal consisting of a pulled pork sandwich, chips and a drink for \$5.00.

A Live auction will begin at the end of play, around 7:00 p.m. Hole Sponsorships are \$500 (includes 1 registration fee) for Gold and \$250 for Silver; a sign with your name will be placed at the hole. Let us know if you have auction

items to donate.

Shirts supporting Larry will also be available to pre-purchase. Please contact Jeanna Gordon 325-370-6512, Debbie Richardson, 325-668-0871 or Tammy Deal 325-665-5773 to sign-up teams. You may also contact Trish Jenkins, Jerry Gordon, Randy Lane, or Janet Sanford for auction items or other information. There is also an account set-up at First Financial Bank if you are unable to attend, but would like to help.

Larry is battling Glioblastoma cancer. The funds raised will help offset medical costs incurred as he battles this beast!!!

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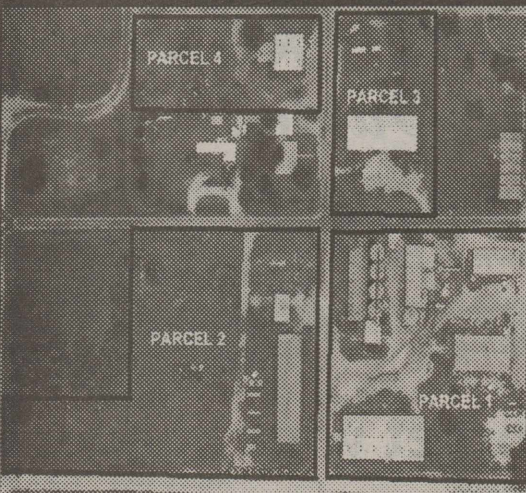
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# Wild About Texas

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## Elk

As a west Texas naturalist, the majority of my summer field hours take place while most people are snug in their comforts of their beds. Sometimes during these evening jaunts, something will catch my eye that will cause me to do a double-take. One particular evening in the late 1990's, I saw something cross the road in front of me while I was driving from Alpine to Ft. Stockton, and it wasn't until the next day that I was able to identify my sighting. Lo and behold, I had the opportunity to observe a hoofed mammal that had once been a common sight in the Trans-Pecos before being hunted to extinction in this state, and that mammal was the impressive Elk.



Elk  
(Cervus elaphus)

Elk (Cervus elaphus) belong to a family known as Cervidae that is distributed worldwide and comprised of 43 species, of which 3 are native to Texas. Elk is by far the largest cervid that calls Texas its home with adult males attaining a body length of over 6 feet in length (with a relatively small - 6 1/4 inch - tail) and a weight of over 600 pounds. Females are significantly smaller than mature males.

Historically, Elk could be observed throughout the Trans-Pecos and western Panhandle regions of Texas with the Guadalupe Mountains boasting the largest population densities. However, it was regrettably hunted to extinction in this state by the turn of the 20th century. However, in the late 1920's, Judge J.C. Hunter transported more than 40 Elk from North Dakota and subsequently released them into the Guadalupe Mountains. That population reproduced and stabilized enough to be listed by the state as an acceptable game animal in the 1950's. Other mountain ranges in the Trans-Pecos, including the Glass, Wylie, Davis, and Eagle mountains, have all had Elk reintroductions during the past several decades. The first wild Elk that I saw in this state that evening was obviously moving from one mountain range to the other (Glass mountains to the

Davis mountains, or vice versa). Since the latter reintroductions, many more Elk have been seen not only in the mountains, but in the neighboring foothills as well. Elk appear to be very deer-like with a cows head in appearance. Both sexes are colored a light tan to almost yellowish brown on the upperparts, while males have long and scraggly hair on their neck and bellies. Males also have legs that are much darker than the fur on the backside. Females are hornless, while males have large, pointed antlers that are shed off on a yearly basis. Typically, most males have only 6-9 points on their antlers, although some individuals in certain years of prolific moisture can have many more.

Elk live primarily in herds except in the spring and early summer when a virile male will take several females in what is called a bachelor herd. Breeding in this herd usually takes place in late summer or early fall. Gestation is just shy of 9 months, and the young calves are helpless for the first couple of weeks of life. After about a month, the mother and calf will rejoin the main herd as the calf begins to graze on grasses and other vegetation. Sexual maturity for females is usually achieved in their second year of life while it is a year later for the bulls.

Since that first thrilling sighting, I have had the pleasure of seeing several of these magnificent beasts in the field with the vast majority of these sightings being west of Sanderson. In fact, my family recently had the exhilarating experience of freeing a young calf that had its leg ensnared in a barbed-wire fence while its parents bugled and mooed [safely] from a distance.

Editor's Note: Michael Price would love to hear from folks! He can be reached by email at [www.fullprice71@gmail.com](mailto:www.fullprice71@gmail.com).

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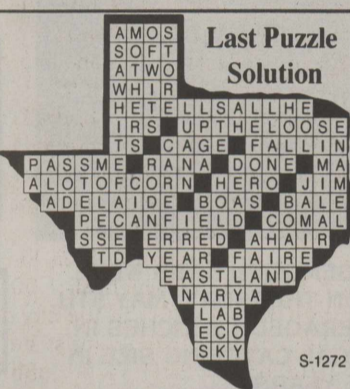
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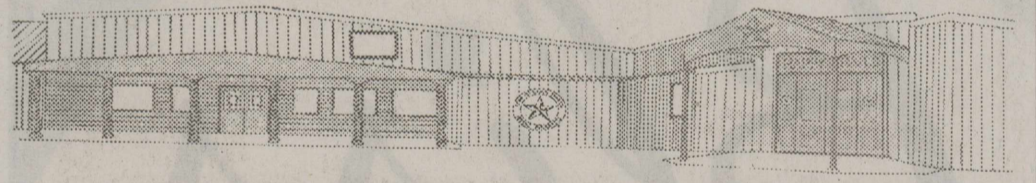


## Birth Announcement of Paisley Mae Winfrey

Cody and Megan Winfrey of Center Point, Texas are proud to announce the birth of their daughter, Paisley Mae Winfrey. She was born on February 29, 2016 in Frederickburg, Texas. Paisley weighed 6lbs. 9 oz. and was 19 inches long. Her proud grandparents are Tony and Paula Winfrey of Cross Plains, Nancy and Will Thompson and Neal Coldwell of Center Point, Texas. Paisley was named after her great grandmother, the late Annie Mae Wright. Her great grandfather is the late George Wright. Paisley also has a great grandmother, Sandy Taylor of Center Point, she is loved by aunts Emily Hicks and Kristin Coldwell as well. We are all so happy to welcome this precious little bundle of joy into our lives!



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# Cross Plains 2016 retail sales lower by 8%

The City of Cross Plains' one percent city sales tax payments in 2016 are just over eight percent lower than 2015, according to the Texas State Comptroller's office.

Texas State Comptroller Glenn Hegar reported the city's sales tax payment on Wednesday, May 11th.

Cross Plains' 2016 sales tax payments for the year totaled \$90,539.03, which is 8.50 percent lower than the \$98,957.13 in sales tax rebate payments collected in 2015.

The payment to the city for May 2016 was \$20,091.81, which is lower by 8.83 percent from the May 2015 payment of \$22,039.33.

Texas Comptroller Glenn Hegar announced today, Wednesday, May 11th, he will send cities, counties, transit systems and special purpose taxing districts \$67.7 million in local sales tax allocations for May, 1.1 percent more than in May 2015. These allocations are based on sales made in March by businesses that report tax monthly, and sales made in January, February and March by quarterly filers.

"The cities of Dallas, San Antonio, El Paso and Fort Worth saw noticeable increases in sales tax allocations," Hegar said. "Energy-centric cities such as Houston, Odessa and Midland continue to see decreases in sales tax allocations."

Hegar sent Texas cities \$505 million in May 2016, which is higher by 1.4 percent compared to May 2015 and higher by 0.8 percent year-to-date.

He reported \$44.4 million in May 2016 allocations to Texas counties, which is lower by 3.8 percent compared to May 2015 and lower by 6.1 percent year-to-date.

The Texas transit systems received \$72.4 million in May 2016 sales tax allocations, which is 0.6 percent higher than May 2015 and higher by 0.7 percent year-to-date.

Special Purpose Taxing Districts received \$46.0 million in May 2016 allocations, which is 4.3 percent higher than May 2015 and lower by 0.30 percent year-to-date.

The sales tax figures represent monthly sales made in March by businesses that report tax monthly, along with sales made in January, February and March by businesses that file quarterly.

For details of May sales tax allocations to individual cities, counties, transit systems and

## CROSS PLAINS SALES TAX PAYMENTS

Total yearly sales tax payments	2015	2016
	\$98,957.13	\$90,539.03
Total monthly sales tax payments	2015	2016
	\$22,039.33	\$20,091.81

special purpose districts, locate the Monthly Sales Tax Allocation Comparison Summary Reports on the Comptroller's Web site at <http://comptroller.texas.gov/taxinfo/alloscum/compsum.html>.

Other Callahan County towns reporting sales tax payments for this month include:

—The City of Baird reported that sales tax payments in 2016 started the year 23.97 percent higher than the 2016 payments. The city has received \$120,327.68 in 2016, while the 2015 tax payments to the city totaled \$97,059.05.

Baird's monthly payment for May 2016 was \$9,211.35, which is 0.63 percent lower than the payment in May 2015 of \$9,398.46.

—The 2016 sales tax payments in the City of Clyde are 6.40 percent higher than the payments made to the city in 2015. The sales tax rebates for the City of Clyde have amounted to \$298,247.58 in 2016. The 2015 payments to the city during the same payment period were \$280,303.84.

The City of Clyde's monthly payment for May 2016 was \$7,981.52, which is 4.48 percent ahead of the May 2015 payment of \$7,635.52.

—The City of Putnam reported the 2016 payments to the town totaled \$3,327.03, which is lower by 30.26 percent from the 2015 payments to the city in the amount of \$4,770.81.

Putnam's tax payment for the month of May 2016 was \$58.54, which is 30.97 percent lower than the May 2015 payment of \$84.08.

—Countywide, sales tax payments for 2016 in Callahan County are higher by 6.51 percent compared to the 2015 payments in the county. Callahan County towns received sales tax payments in 2016 amounting to \$12,441.32 while the 2015

payments to the county towns totaled \$481,090.83.

The tax rebates in Callahan County for the month of May 2016 was \$127,943.22, which is 0.72 percent ahead of the payments in May 2015 of \$127,027.39.

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

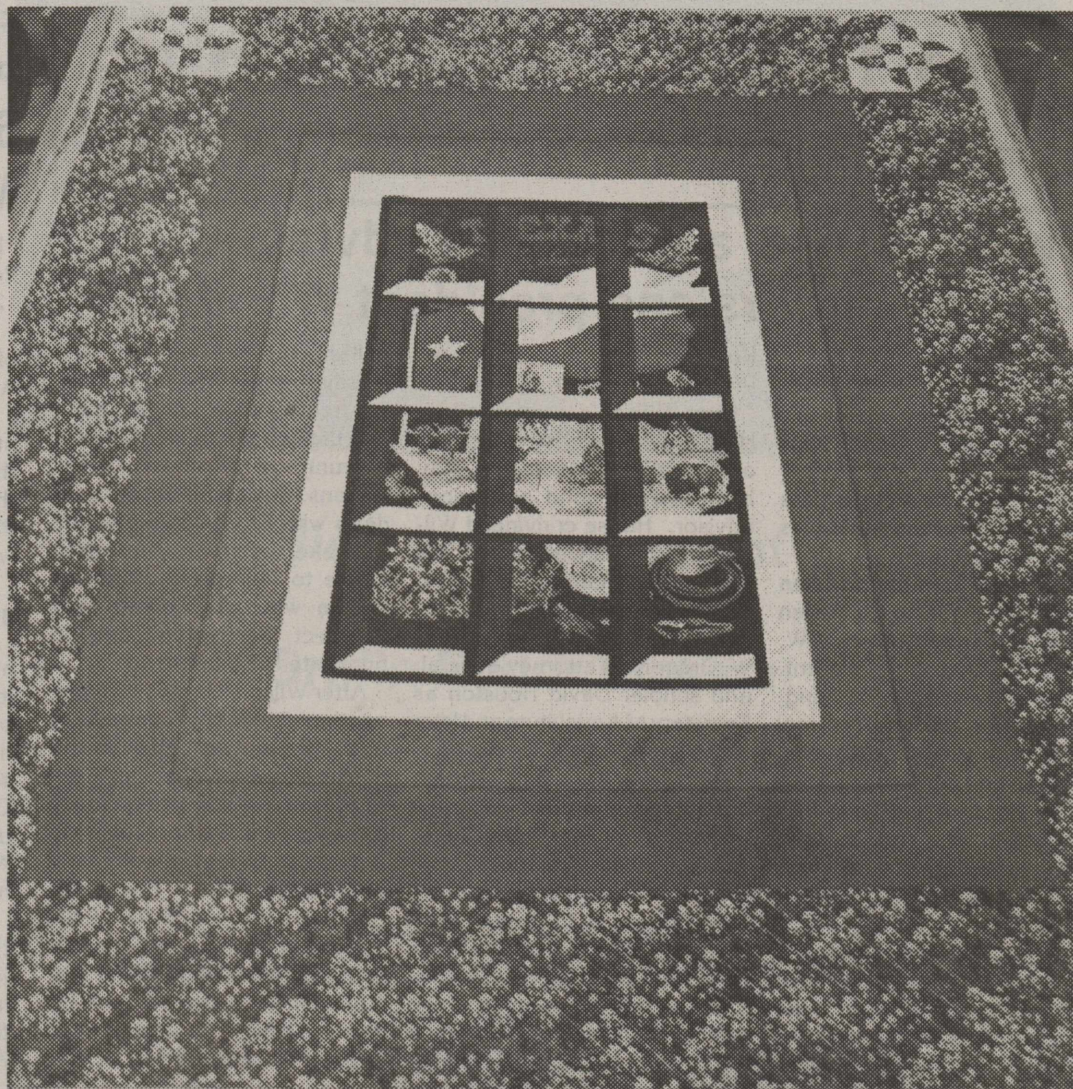
Clyde businesses collect 2.00%, including one percent for the City of Clyde, one-half of one percent for the Clyde Economic Development Corporation and one half of one percent to reduce property taxes (Proceeds to benefit the Clyde Volunteer Fire Department).

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

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

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

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



Quilting for the Cancer Fund - The beautiful quilt that Michelle Kaiser, Wilma Lawrence, Helen Parson, Christine Evans, Mildred Hoegler, Polly Beeler, Nora Pointer, Linda Pringle and others are working on as a fundraiser for the Cross Plains Community Cancer Fund. Tickets are \$1 each or 6 for \$5 and are available at the Senior Center or by mailing a check to the Cancer Fund at P. O. Box 183, Cross Plains, Texas 76443.

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- "Famous" cookie maker
- TXism: "\_\_\_ as a baby's bottom"
- TXism: "hotter than \_\_\_ dollar pistol"
- vibrating sound
- TXism: "\_\_\_ knows" (blabby)
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- TXism: "tie \_\_\_ ends" (finalize)
- former Dallas Cowboys pres ident Tex (init.)
- enclosure at the Fort Worth Zoo
- TX Kenny's "Don't \_\_\_ Love With A Dreamer"
- TX Johnny Rodriguez tune: "\_\_\_ By" (1973)
- TX George H. \_\_\_ losing race in '92
- TXism: "I'm all \_\_\_ in"
- Gov. \_\_\_ Ferguson
- TXism: "got \_\_\_ to shuck" (big chore)
- TX Audie Murphy
- Hogg County
- this Germain and her sister Julia were rescued from Comanches by Bat Masterson
- snakes at the Houston Zoo
- hay bundle

**DOWN**

- TXism: "cute \_\_\_ call"
- TXism: "clear as \_\_\_ milk"
- TXism: "he'd be unarmed in a battle \_\_\_" (stupid)
- TXism: "drug \_\_\_ cowboy"
- Brownwood's "Poage Station"
- New Braunfels is seat of this county
- dir. to Houston from Dallas
- showed humanity
- TXism: "worthless as half \_\_\_ cut"
- Cowboys objective
- Jan. through Dec.
- Waxahachie's "Scarborough \_\_\_" is a festival in April & May
- 56 miles east of Abilene
- TXism: "\_\_\_ soul" (no one)
- science site
- Boerne's "Cibolo Wilderness Trail" has 3 \_\_\_ systems
- TXism: "\_\_\_ pilot" (preacher)
- TX Preston Jones' \_\_\_ Hampton Laverty Oberlander
- TX "Babe" helped found this golf org.
- Sault \_\_\_ Marie
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- TXism: "\_\_\_ driller" (dentist)
- TXism: "footloose and fancy free"
- husband of 31-across
- TX George H. once headed this agcy.
- TXism: "\_\_\_ your horses"
- TX comedian and actor Fox
- not allowed in some TX counties (2 wds.)
- 2 X 4
- in Pecos Co. on hwy. 349
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House was born in Houston in 1858, the youngest of seven children. His father, Thomas W. House, an English immigrant, had made a fortune in banking, international trade, and real estate. As a youth, he traveled to Europe and across the nation often. He enrolled in Cornell University in New York in 1877. However, his father's declining health forced him to return to care for him.

After his father's death, he married in 1881 and continued to travel extensively to tend to the family's many business interests. He moved to Austin in 1885, where he expanded his real estate holdings and cotton plantations. While in Austin, he became friends with many prominent Texas figures, including Gov. James S. Hogg.

In 1892, Hogg turned to House for help with his re-election campaign. House traveled the state extensively, persuading prominent individuals and influential groups to back the governor. The hard work paid off, and Hogg won re-election. Though House had no military experience, a grateful Hogg rewarded him for his service with the honorary title of lieutenant colonel in the Texas National Guard. Before long, he simply became known as "Col. House" to reporters and politicians alike. Over the next several years, House continued to play an important role in Texas politics, helping the election of governors and acting as an advisor on all aspects of their administration.

In 1911, he met New Jersey Gov. Woodrow Wilson, and the two formed an immediate friendship as Wilson prepared a run for the presidency. He advised Wilson on his campaign strategies and helped him secure the needed delegates and endorsements needed to secure the nomination. Wilson won easily in the 1912 election, defeating former President Theodore

Roosevelt and the incumbent President William H. Taft.

After Wilson's inauguration, House declined to take any official role, preferring to stay in the background as a close advisor. House convinced Wilson to include several prominent Texans in his cabinet, including US Rep. Albert Burlison as postmaster general, attorney James W. Gregory as attorney general, and scholar David Houston as Secretary of Agriculture and later as Secretary of the Treasury.

World War I and its aftermath consumed much of Wilson's presidency. The intensity of the bloodshed shocked the world. Wilson sent House all over Europe in 1915 and 1916 to try to convince the warring powers to stop the fighting. In spite of numerous efforts, the peace overtures were rejected each time, including a 1916 offer by Wilson for the United States to mediate a peace conference.

After the war ended, Wilson and House attempted to win approval for the Treaty of Ver-

sailles. House was desperate to save American support for the treaty and American entry into the League of Nations, the forerunner of the modern United Nations. He attempted to broker deals with European diplomats to make the treaty more palatable to Republican critics of Wilson who were determined to reject the treaty if only to humiliate the president.

After Wilson left office, House continued to lobby Congress to ratify the Treaty of Versailles and for American membership in the League of Nations. He continued to be active in Democratic Party politics, supporting the nomination of Franklin D. Roosevelt, another early supporter of the League of Nations, as president in 1932. However, by the 1930s, House steadily scaled back his role in politics. He died in New York in 1938 at the age of 79.

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From the Cross Plains Review... 66 years ago, May 12, 1950.

Cecil Barton is Valedictorian of the Senior Class. Mary Alice Applin is the Salutatorian.

Edwin Baum Jr., a cashier at the Citizens State Bank, was the winner of a contest to name the new subdivision in Cross Plains. His winning entry was "Edgewood".

Harold Garrett is set to graduate from A&M in June.

James Alexander has closed a deal with L. W. Westerman, local building contractor, to build a five room home in the northeast part of town, just south of the school campus. Construction is expected to be underway in the next few days. Alexander is the Cross Plains high school principal.

Frank Rundell has accepted the high school coaching job here. He will move here in August to be ready for all training which gets underway August 15.

Burkett School commencement is Sunday night. Six seniors and 14 grammar school students will be graduating. They are: Seniors: Teresa Martinez, Geniva Keefer, B. B. Young, Gilder Adams, Bill Brown and Wade Burroughs. Grammar School graduates: Lafon Jones, Zelma Strickland, Joan Jones, Joan Underwood, Colleen Burkett, Jeanette Crocker, Lafaye Burns, Wanda Copeland, Jackie Watson, Don Gray, Dickie Koenig, Silvester Herring, Glenda Sue Porter and Douglas Edmondson.

The Junior-Senior Banquet was held Tuesday night in the American Legion Hut on East 8th Street. Barbara Garrett was the Mistress of Ceremonies, presenting a program patterned after "This is Your Life" radio program. The junior-senior banquet is annually the foremost social function of the year for local students.

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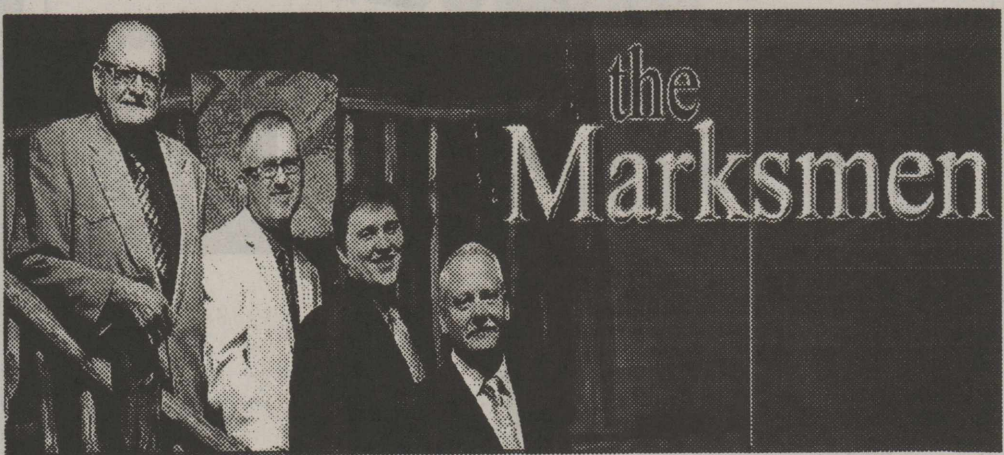
You can also donate items to our raffle that benefits the Terry Jane McWilliams Wyatt Scholarship Funds. We will draw for the items during the festival and your business will be mentioned as donating the item. Donated items will be accepted in lieu of cash for sponsorship.

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We would like to thank the community for all of their support over the years and hope that you continue to support us as we grow to meet the needs of the growing area.

We are always looking for more help, whether you want to become a certified member or be trained as a driver. And we always welcome anyone who wants to be a sponsor for new students. If you are interested in helping the Cross Plains EMS in any way please contact Susan Schaefer at (254)725-6747.

## The water beneath your feet

Groundwater is defined as water beneath the surface of the land. Most groundwater is found in aquifers, which are underground layers of rock, sand, and gravel that collect and transfer water. Because groundwater is an important water supply for many Texans, it is critical for Texans to understand this water resource.

Our agency continues to develop new ways to study groundwater, and we've recently updated the Water Data Interactive website with the new Groundwater Data Viewer. This application displays groundwater data sets with enhanced navigation tools for viewing and downloading all our available groundwater data.

The Groundwater Data Viewer allows users to access a number of groundwater-related databases that our agency maintains including the Groundwater Database (GWDB), the Brackish Resources Aquifer Characterization System (BRACS) Database, and the Submitted Drillers Reports (SDR) Database. Users can choose just one of the database sets or a combination depending on the scope.

The GWDB collects and stores data to help identify the natural properties of the aquifers and can be used for water planning from a local or regional perspective. This database has information on selected water wells, springs, oil/gas tests, water levels, and water quality.

The BRACS Database stores well and geology information to help characterize the brackish



groundwater resources of Texas and is compiled from existing water well records, geophysical well logs, and geologic reports.

The SDR Database was created in cooperation with the Texas Department of Licensing and Regulation (TDLR) Water Well Drillers and Pump Installers Program. It contains water well reports submitted to TDLR from February 2001 to present.

The Groundwater Data Viewer allows users to choose from several base maps, including Google imagery and topographic maps, and provides the ability to turn on additional geologic and geographic layers such as major/minor aquifers and groundwater management areas. Data layers can be further sorted and identified through the use of groundwater filters and labels.

The data viewer, along with other resources we offer such as monitoring groundwater levels and quality, conducting groundwater modeling, and maintaining water well records, all help support the study of groundwater and the water planning process. More information about the data viewer and other resources can be found at the Texas Water Development Board website at: <http://www.twdb.texas.gov>.

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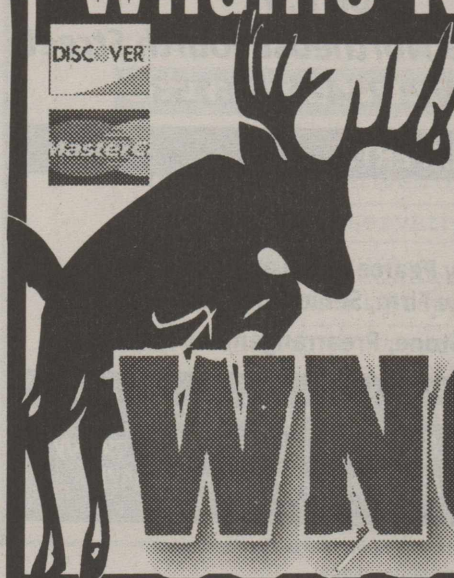
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## Garden Clubs Visit Rolan Jones' Organic Farm

The Cross Plains Garden Club met in the Mozelle Richardson Room of the Texas Heritage Bank on Friday, May 13, 2016. Members present were Donna Clark, Carlene Howard, Judy Killgo, Diana Miller, Cher Ptacek and Julia Wheeler. During their regular business meeting, the club voted to award two \$500.00 scholarships to graduating students. The garden club is able to award two scholarships this year because of the tremendous support they received during their April 2016 Plant Sale. This is a wonderful reflection on Cross Plains and the surrounding communities. Officers for the 2016-2017 year were elected. New officers are as follows: President Diana Miller, Vice-President Carlene Howard, Treasurer Cher Ptacek and Secretary Judy Killgo.

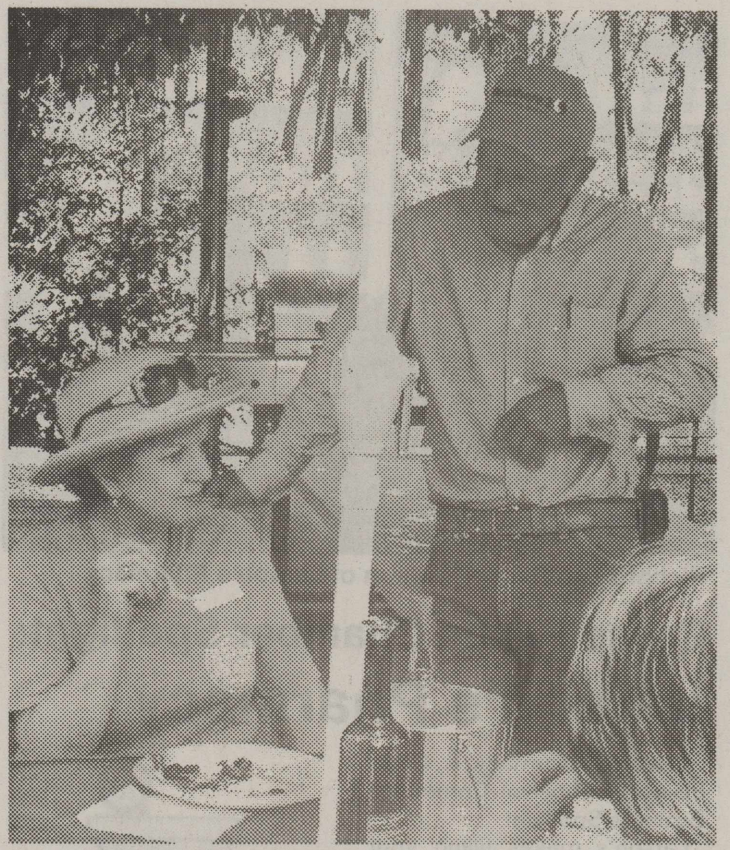
Immediately following the meeting, the club convened to the gardens of Rolan Jones and were joined by members of the Abilene and Coleman Garden Clubs. Rolan prepared a delicious and unusual organic lunch for all to enjoy prior to the tour; ranging from mustard flowers to black chicken. As guests complimented Rolan on his tasty creations, Rolan explained the he gardens and farms with a purpose; every plant and animal must provide food, spices, organic herbicides, organic insecticides or have medicinal value.

Rolan walked us to his herb and vegetable garden where we were introduced to cardoon (a large Mediterranean plant cultivated for its edible stem). The next row included rue which was used during the middle ages to rid the body of lice, body order and fleas. We were shown burdock which is a natural food and blood cleanser. Rolan also grows tobacco which he dries and uses as an insecticide for his plants. Echinacea is part of Rolan's garden design and is grown to

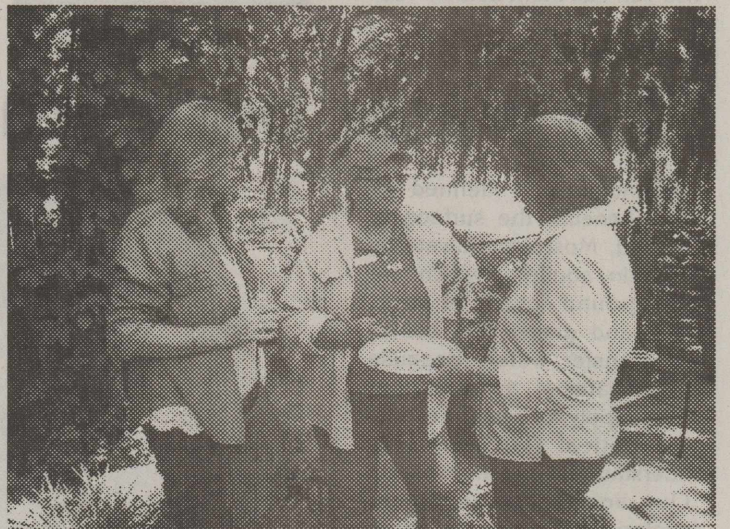
combat flu and colds. Rolan introduced us to epazote which is a natural vermicide used to worm cattle. Moving on we saw his magnificent asparagus, corn, okra, leeks, goji berries, elderberries, grapes, fruit trees and more plants too numerous to mention. Rolan said he makes an extract from his elderberries that works better than Tamiflu. To make the extract, the berries are harvested in July, boiled adding honey and vodka. Rolan suggests that we pick the first blooms off strawberries to increase the size of the berry. We also toured Rolan's hot house (seedlings, tomatoes, squash) and lush green house filled with lettuce, mustard, tomatoes, lemon trees and lime trees as well as his sun filtered mushroom and raspberry garden.

Rolan encouraged us to mulch, mulch, mulch. He suggested that if no natural mulch is available for our personal use we can purchase oat straw or wheat straw and allow it to break down then add it to the soil. He also discussed the use of composting materials and mulching techniques to improve our soils. Leaves, for example, can fill a planting bed with mulching materials which will compost over time and reduce the need for watering. Wood ash from wood burning stoves will keep cut worms and other pests from devouring plants. An application of cedar dust will keep squash bugs away. A novel way to remove cucumber beetles, harlequin bugs and squash bugs is to suck them off the plants with a hand held vacuum cleaner.

The Abilene, Coleman and Cross Plains Garden Clubs enjoyed a very informative and lovely day with Rolan Jones. For more information, contact the Cross Plains Garden Club on face book, or plan to attend our next meeting scheduled for Friday, September 9, 2016.

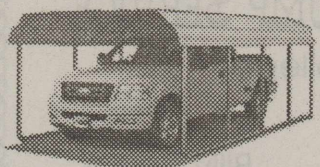


Rolan Jones visits with members of the Abilene, Coleman and Cross Plains Garden Clubs during their visit to his organic farm on Friday, May 13.



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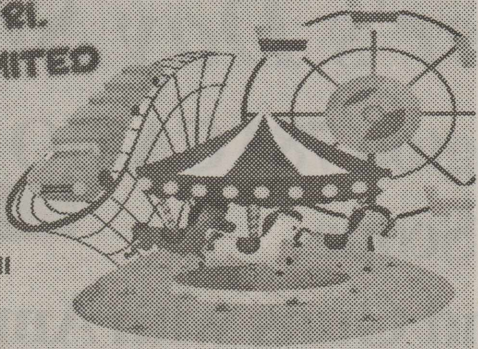
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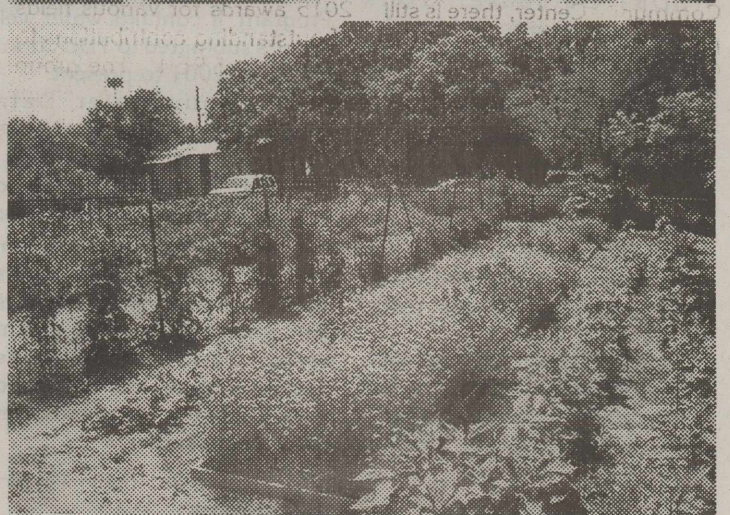
Cross Plains 4H is reminding members that we are looking for your favorite recipes for the Callahan County 4H cookbook. We are turning in the recipes on June 1st, so you still have time to call Gramma for that special cake recipe, or Dad for his secret marinade. For those businesses who haven't heard the news; advertising space is still available. You can have a ¼ page (2 1/8" x 3 5/8") for \$20, a ½ page (4 1/2" x 3 5/8") for \$30, for a full page (4 1/2" x 7 1/2") for \$50. This is not only a great way to help the club, the cookbook is for all of Callahan County, not to mention the books sold to friends and family in the nearby counties. Don't have a business? Still want to support the club? You can use the add space for showing you support for the club or your favorite member. "Gramma Bell and Grumpa John support Leslie in her 4H projects. We love you!" For more information, feel free to contact a member and/or our

leader Terrie Parum

I know we said that May was our last meeting... we were wrong. June 6th we will be electing officers so they can be submitted in July. As always, we will be meeting at the First Baptist church, at 6pm.

Just a reminder Rada Cutlery can still be purchased in time for Mother's Day. Items ship within 2-3 days. Go to: [www.helpourfundraiser.com](http://www.helpourfundraiser.com), Internet ordering #505896, password(lower case) callahan. Then got to Browse All Categories. Remember, with items shipping within 2-3 days, it's a great way to get or send gifts to friends.

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# Pioneer Memorial Day Observance to be Held on Monday, May 30th

The annual Pioneer Memorial Day Observance will be held Monday, May 30, 2016 at the Pioneer Cemetery, located on Highway 36 between Cross Plains and Rising Star. The ceremony will begin at 9:00 AM under the Pioneer Veterans Memorial Pavilion, located near the flag pole and War Memorial. The public is invited to attend and honor those veterans who have served our country, both historically and currently. Immediately following the ceremony, please join us for fellowship and refreshments.

Our keynote speakers are two men with very strong ties to our community: James Dixon and Bobby J. McCowen.

James Dixon was born and raised in Ranger, Texas. He graduated from Ranger High School in 1970 before entering West Point with a nomination from Congressman Omar Burleson. Mr. Dixon obtained degrees in Engineering and Military Science from West Point in 1974. He was commissioned in the U.S. Army Field Artillery Branch and completed his Field Artillery Officer Basic Course in Fort Sill, Oklahoma. Mr. Dixon was then stationed in Hanau, Germany, with an 8 inch M110 Self-Propelled Howitzer artillery battalion. During his stay in Germany, he flew back to America and married his fiancé, Melinda, in September 1975. After three years in Germany, the Dixons relocated to Fort Sill, to attend the Field

Artillery Advance Course and was assigned as an instructor at Fort Sill from August 1978 to November 1979.

Mr. Dixon resigned his U.S. Army commission in 1979 for an engineering position at TXU Mining, where he spent the next 18 years working in various positions within the Company. In 1997, Mr. Dixon was transferred to the TXU offices in Dallas, Texas, where he served as Vice President, Gas Plant Operations, prior to his retirement in 2007.

James and Melinda Dixon relocated to the Pioneer/Cross Plains Community in 2007, and have been enjoying retirement on their farm raising Longhorn cattle and whitetail deer. James and Melinda are members of the First Baptist Church in Cross Plains, Texas. They have two children: Bryan and his wife Courtney and Allyson and her fiancé, Tony Battaglia. Mr. Dixon is very passionate about our local veterans, calling many of them his dear friends.

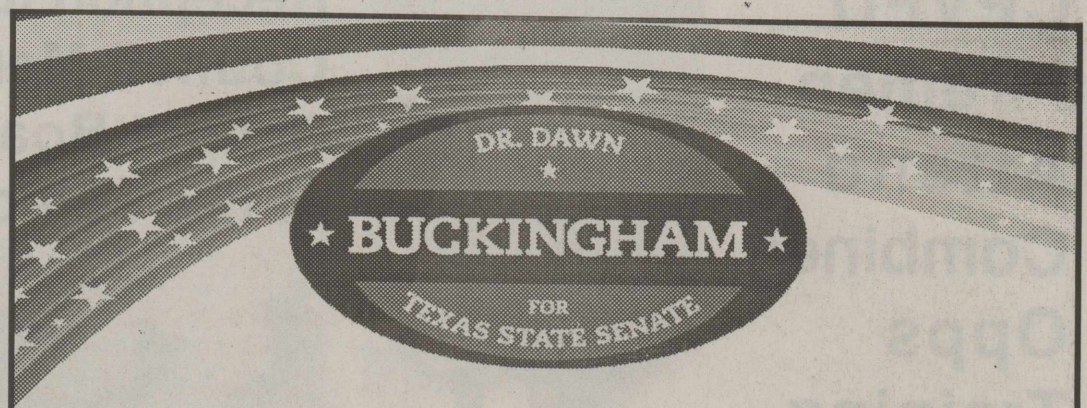
Bobby J. McCowen was born and raised in Pioneer, Texas. Mr. McCowen enlisted in the U.S. Army in 1949. He completed basic training at Camp Chaffee, Arkansas and was part of B Company, 66 Medium Tank Battalion at Fort Hood, Texas. A Korean War Veteran, Mr. McCowen was promoted to Staff Sergeant during his nine-month tour of duty. Following Korea, Bob was released into the Army Reserves in 1952.

Mr. McCowen held numerous positions before and after his service to his country. He worked in the oilfield and as a miner in the potash mines in Carlsbad, New Mexico and was also a skilled mechanic. In 1965, Mr. McCowen began his career in law enforcement, first as a patrolman, then as an identification officer with the Abilene Police Department. After six-and-a-half years with the Abilene Police Department, he moved back to the Pioneer area and managed the lumberyard at Higginbotham Brothers for 18 years. In 1983, he opened Mc's Trading Post in Cross Plains as owner/operator until 2012.

Mr. McCowen is the father of three children: the late Beth McCowen Bogue, Ronald Jack McCowen and Tina McCowen Elkins. He is blessed with four grandchildren and six great grandchildren.

Mr. McCowen, or "Bobby Jack" as he's known by many, serves in ministry at the Pioneer Pentecostal Church and is a member of the Pioneer Historical Association Board. He continues to serve his community by volunteering his musical gifts at the Rising Star Nursing Home each week.

Please join us in honoring the servicemen and women who have made the ultimate sacrifice for our nation. For more information, or if you have questions about the event, please call 830-624-6939.



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**Texas Farm Bureau AGFUND** - "Dr. Buckingham believes strongly in protecting the private property rights of landowners. As a member of the Texas Farm Bureau and a rural landowner, she will be a staunch advocate for farmers and ranchers in Senate District 24."

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- Support parents and teachers to help each student reach her or his maximum potential.
- Support and promote agriculture.
- Protect military installations.
- Support veterans - it is very important to take care of all veterans and active-duty personnel before taking care of undocumented immigrants and some undeserving welfare recipients.
- Promote improved quality healthcare and timely healthcare at VA hospitals for all veterans, especially those with service connected disabilities and PTSD.
- Protect and develop water resources - for present and future use.
- Develop quality roads and transportation - for present and future use.
- Support law enforcement.
- Support states' rights and limit unwarranted federal intrusion.
- Oppose unfunded federal mandates and over reaching federal regulations.
- Healthcare reform that puts patients first (Long time advocate for quality, affordable healthcare).
- Reduce the size of government and increase efficiency of government services.
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# One Month Until Howard Days

Robert E. Howard Days are just around the corner and registrations for the annual event have already arrived from France, Japan, England and 11 different states. Although there are 74 people who are signed up for the Friday night Celebration Dinner in the Community Center, there is still plenty of room for more at the 6:30 pm dinner. The Staghorn Restaurant will again be serving up their full chicken fried steak meal.

Reservations for the \$15.00 dinner must be made in advance by mailing a check to Project Pride at PO Box 755; by PayPal at projpride@yahoo.com or by signing up at the bank, library and City Hall by Friday, June 3.

The two day event will focus on even decades of notable achievements in the Howard movement from Howard's birth in 1906 until his death in 1936, with the first Conan story coming out in 1966, the "One Who Walked Alone" book being published in 1986 and the subsequent movie, "The Whole Wide World" being premiered in Abilene in 1996.

The first local Robert E. Howard Days celebration was in June of 1986, when a few enthusiastic movers and shakers of the real revival of Howard's writing enjoyed a cook-out at Charles and Lou Rodenberger's home just beyond Cottonwood. In amongst all these dates were the beginnings of various Howard journals, biographies and numerous other publications.

A variety of panel discussions are scheduled over the two day event and are open to everybody at no charge. The Friday panels will be held at the high school library, starting at 11:00 with Susan Childers,

Rusty Burke and Bill Cavalier discussing the origins and history of Howard Days. At 1:30 special guest of honor, Michael Scott Myers, will visit with the group about his work as screen writer for "The Whole Wide World" to be followed by the 2:30 presentation of the 2015 awards for various fields of outstanding contributions to the world of REH. The group will then move to the school auditorium to enjoy the movie.

The Community Center will open at 5:30 for folks to start the bidding wars on all the Howard related treasures donated by the attendees. All of the monies from this silent auction will go Project Pride for the maintenance of the REH Museum. One of the most popular auction items in recent years was a glass etching of Howard by Shirley Clark and framed by Larry Pointer that went for \$300.00. The highlight of the evening will be Myers, as guest of honor, discussing "From Memoir to Screen" and his involvement in making the movie.

The Senior Center will open its doors for the Saturday panels, starting 11:00 with a discussion of REH and the famed illustrator, Frank Frazetta, celebrating the 50 year legacy of the Lancer paperbacks of the time. This panel will be guided by Burke, Cavalier, special guest illustrator Val Mayerik, Gary Romeo of Dallas and Jeff Shanks of Florida.

At 1:30, the group will gather to discuss Howard as a man living here in Cross Plains as opposed to Howard as a writer who would gain world wide recognition after his death in 1936. Leading this discussion are several guys known locally for their frequent visits to

Cross Plains.....Paul Herman from Houston, who annually presents the \$1000 scholarship from the REH Foundation to a graduating Senior and Mark Finn from Vernon, who has come down numerous times to help with special library functions. Patrice Louinet from France and Chris Gruber from Albuquerque, NM will also be on that panel.

The First Annual Glenn Lord REH Symposium will be held at 2:30 with several serious scholars presenting special essays on Howard the writer. Dierk Guenther, popular visitor from Japan will be joined by regulars Todd Vick and Shanks and relative newcomers to the event, Jonas Pridas and Daniel Look.

Pride members are especially grateful for the support of local groups for this week-end. For the second year, the Texas Heritage Bank has provided cookies for the Friday hot dog lunch. The school is most cooperative and generous by providing a bus and driver for the Friday tours and the space for the panels and movie. In addition to excellent coverage of the week-end, the Cross Plains Review will be open 2-4:00 on Thursday for an early bird tour of the building. Howard actually worked for the Review for a brief time, as did Jack Baum, who will help Becky and Gil Tabor with the informal tour.

Get that deadline of June 3 on your calendars so you won't miss out on any of the fun on June 10-11. Contact Arlene, 725-4993 or Era Lee at 725-6562 for more information.

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## Oplin Community Homecoming will be held Saturday, June 4th

The Oplin Community Center would like to invite everyone that now resides in the Oplin community and everyone that has ever lived in the Oplin community to our bi-annual community homecoming to be held on Saturday, June 4th.

Brisket and sausage (cooked by long time community chefs Doug Campbell and Butch Woodard) and iced tea will be provided by the community center and everyone else is asked to bring side dishes

or desserts. Doors will open shortly after 10:00 a.m.

Come out and meet with old friends or make a few new ones, meet the neighbors you never had the chance to meet. Visit with folks that grew up in the area that would love to share the history of Oplin.

So mark your calendar, gather the family and come out to the Oplin Community Center for a day of good friends and a real good meal.

## CPVFD Firemen Attend Combined Opps Training

Cross Plains Volunteer Fire Department firefighters J. D. Huddleston, Josh Loftis and new firefighter Darrin Ames attended the Combined Opps Training Session on Saturday, May 14th at the Rising Star Fire Department.

As part of the training, a building was set on fire and the firemen retrieved designated "victims" from the burning building.

The session was attended by many other departments in the area including Sipe Springs and DeLeon.



New Firefighter Darrin Ames Displays his Helmet and Bunker Gear (on the table) at his Senior table at the Methodist Church on Sunday Morning. Darrin will graduate next Friday night.



## Reception for Mayor, City Council Members and School Board Members at the Senior Center



School Board Members - Portious Potter, John Fred McWilliams, Bryan Bennett, Davy Crockett and Roy Richey at a reception at the Senior Center. Jack Shepard was also at the reception.



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## The Kingdom's Door to Re-Open June 11th

The Kingdom's Door (clothes closet) is scheduled to re-open Saturday, June 11 from 9-11 a.m. If anyone has clothing you would be willing to donate, it would be greatly appreciated. We are in need of children's and baby clothes, but also can use men and women's clothing, as well as older boys and girls of all sizes. If you would like to help, please contact Mary Willis at 254-725-0010 ; Carolyn Morgan at 254-725-6285 or 325-669-7960 for more information or donations may be left at First Baptist Church. This is a ministry being led by The Hope Sunday School

Class, but is an outreach of the church. Kingdom's Door is located south of First Baptist, across from playground (behind Fire Station) and will be open every Saturday unless holiday weekend. It is for the whole community and surrounding areas, no eligibility requirements.

## Cottonwood Country Musical Cancelled

The Cottonwood Country Musical will not be held on May 27th. With the date being the Memorial Day Weekend, it has been cancelled. The next Cottonwood Country Musical will be held on June 24, 2016, at the Cottonwood Community Center, Cottonwood Texas.

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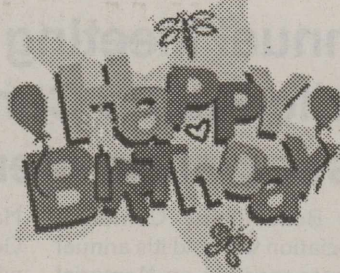


## Rising Star Nursing Center News

Last week was National Nursing Home week And National Nurses Week. While that makes it very busy for us here, it is also a lot of fun.

We had something new each day of the week, such as dress backwards day, crazy sock day!, mis match day, clown and crazy hat day, as seen in these two photos.

Nursing homes are not just a place to go when you are sick and frail, that is the old stigma. Nursing Homes are the place to go when you need help and want to live it up! We like to highlight the word HOME. Come see us and meet the new Life Enrichment Coordinator, Pam Phillips in action. Go to [www.risingstarnursing.com](http://www.risingstarnursing.com) or call 254-643-6700 for more information.



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Harvey Koenig  
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**May 23**

Mary Ellen Magnus  
Alene Hale  
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Mrs. Ray Hackson  
Rita Boyd  
Jackie Lapata  
Audry Wheeler

**May 24**

Ashley Jamison  
George Webb, Jr.  
Bobby Vaught  
Darlene Meador  
Raymond Franke  
Buck Morris  
Clifton Chambers  
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Sam Warren  
Stacy Lynn Smith

**May 25**

Elizabeth Elliott  
Synoeve Duran  
Cory Phillips  
Jimmie Fleming  
Garland Ford  
Patti Burks Pope  
Steven Havener  
Sharon Reed  
Neel Danitte Lovelle  
Paula (Kennedy) Price  
Jevon Tillery  
Lynn Green

**May 26**

Jerry Boyle  
LeRoy Butler  
Jackie Rector  
Donna (Long) Waggoner  
Stefanie Lynn Swinney  
Tony Winfrey  
Trey Fortune  
Becky Wilson  
Cade Thomas McCoy

**May 27**

Riley Miranda Netzhammer  
Cecil Ray Kelly  
William R. Taylor  
Balinda R. Taylor  
Virgina Shoemaker

**May 28**

Jarad Landon Richards  
Austin Tate Hilburn



Gregory Neuman of LaHoya, California visits with Cross Plains Mayor Bob Kirkham. Neuman was in town on Friday and visited at the Cross Plains Review and the Cross Plains Senior Center.

## California Resident Visits Cross Plains

Gregory Neuman from LaHoya, in the San Diego area of California visited in Cross Plains on Friday.

Neuman comes here every few years to visit Cross Plains and to check on the graves of his ancestors.

Neuman's mother, Ida Ruth Robertson Neuman, who also lives in California, was born in Cross Plains in 1931. Her father, Mooman Robertson, was the son of Dr. Randolph Robertson,

who practiced medicine in the Cross Plains area until he passed away in 1943.

Ida Jo Robertson died in 1965 at the age of 100.

Many people will remember Neuman's Great Aunt Mary Ginsley who owned a little store near the school.

While here, Neuman visited with Cross Plains Mayor Bob Kirkham at the Cross Plains Review and with many residents at the Senior Citizen's Center.

## Summer season: peak time for grilling fires NFPA urges grillers to be mindful of safety

As Memorial Day weekend approaches, home chefs everywhere are reaching for their grills, eager to usher in the long-awaited barbecue season. The National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) recommends that grillers pay particular attention to safety in the spring and summer months when home fires involving grilling incidents occur most often.

Three out of five households own a gas grill, according to NFPA's latest "Home Grill Fires" report, which translates to a lot of tasty meals. But it also means there's an increased risk of home fires. In 2009 - 2013, an annual average of 8,900 home fires involved grills, hibachis or barbecues, and close to half of all injuries involving grills were due to thermal burns. While nearly half of the people who grill do so year-round, July is the peak month for grilling fires followed by May, June and August.

Grilling video (Caption: NFPA provides grilling fire safety tips to consumers)

Although gas grills contribute to a higher number of home fires overall than their charcoal counterparts, NFPA reminds everyone that all types of grills pose a risk for fires and burn injuries. More than one-quarter (27 percent) of home structure grill fires started on an exterior balcony or open porch, and another 27 percent started in a courtyard, terrace or patio. Eight percent began in the kitchen, according to the report.

"As friends and families prepare for a fun grilling season together, be sure the grill is working properly and review safety tips," said Lorraine Carli, vice president of Outreach and Advocacy for NFPA. "Failing to properly clean the grill or having the grill too close to something

that could burn are the leading causes of fires. It's good practice to check for damage before using the grill for the first time each year, and to check the entire grill regularly."

Cleaning video (Caption: NFPA offers tips for checking damage to propane tank hoses before using.)

When grilling, NFPA suggests the following:

- Propane and charcoal BBQ grills should only be used outdoors.
- The grill should be placed well away from the home, deck railings and out from under eaves and overhanging branches.
- Keep children and pets at least three feet away from the grill area.
- Keep your grill clean by removing grease or fat buildup from the grates and in the trays below.
- Never leave your grill unattended.

For additional information and resources including tips for outdoor cooking with portable grills, visit [www.nfpa.org](http://www.nfpa.org)/grilling or download NFPA's safety tips sheet on grilling for easy access.

About the National Fire Protection Association (NFPA)

Founded in 1896, NFPA is a global, nonprofit organization devoted to eliminating death, injury, property and economic loss due to fire, electrical and related hazards. The association delivers information and knowledge through more than 300 consensus codes and standards, research, training, education, outreach and advocacy; and by partnering with others who share an interest in furthering the NFPA mission. For more information visit [www.nfpa.org](http://www.nfpa.org). All NFPA codes and standards can be viewed online for free at [www.nfpa.org/freeaccess](http://www.nfpa.org/freeaccess).

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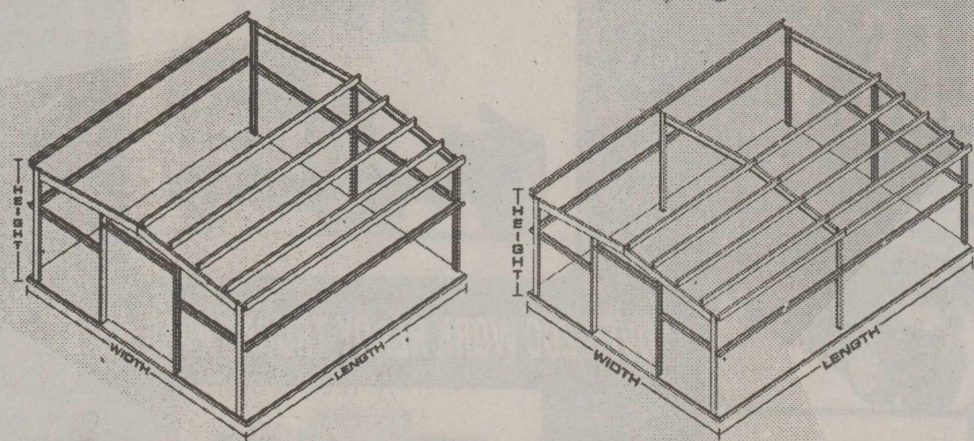
## Driver's License Office in Baird is now open

The Driver's License Office on the second floor in the Callahan County Courthouse in Baird is now OPEN.

The Baird office will be open on the first, third, and fifth Wednesday of each month. Office hours are 9:00 a.m. until 12:00 p.m. and from 1:00 p.m. until 4:00 p.m.

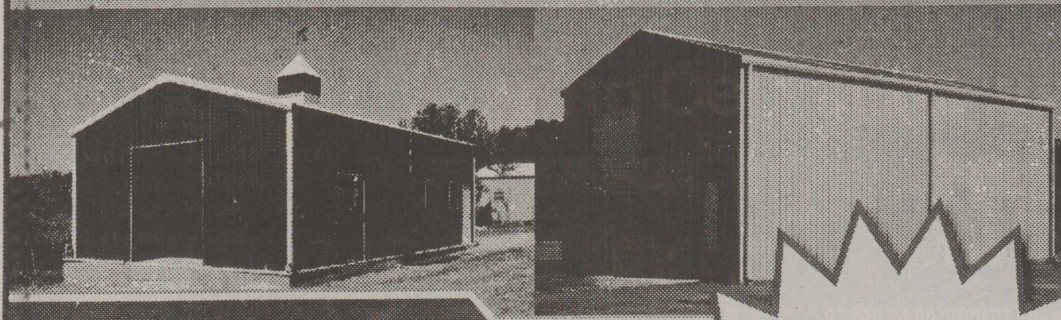
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## What Are You Reading?

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Want to read a book that you just can't put down? Then try "The Friends We Keep" by Susan Mallery. It is well written and will hold your attention until the very end. The story intertwines the lives of three friends. Gabby is a stay-at-home mom with twin girls and is counting down the days until they are in kindergarten and she can finally use the bathroom in peace! (As well as re-enter the work force). Haley has been trying for years to have a child. After 5 miscarriages, her doctor is advising her to have a hysterectomy. Nicole, a single mom, is being influenced by her friends to start dating again. As their connection with each other's lives deepen, the three close friends will rely each other to handle some of the greatest challenges of their lives.

Mallery is the #1 New York Times bestselling author of books about the relationships that define women's lives--romance, friendship, family. With compassion and humor, Susan keenly observes how people think and feel, in stories that take readers on an emotional journey. Sometimes heartbreaking, often funny, and always uplifting, Susan's books have spent more than 200 weeks on the USA Today bestsellers list, thanks to her ever growing legions of fans.



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## Annual Meeting of the Belle Plaine Cemetery Association Memorial Day

The Belle Plaine Cemetery Association will hold its annual business meeting on Memorial Day, Monday, May 30th.

Belle Plaine Cemetery is located 8 miles south of Baird. Take Hwy. 283 to CR 470 and turn east, turn north at CR 473 (first dirt road) and then east into cemetery entrance. We have directional signs to help you find your way.

In order not to interrupt the opening ceremonies, please plan to arrive and be parked by 10:30 a.m.

The ceremony will begin at 11:00 a.m. with the traditional fly-over by the Big Country Squadron of the CAF based at Elmdale Airpark. We invite attending veterans to assist in the flag-raising ceremonies. Norman West, Jr. will play the

National Anthem and Brigadier General John Compere (Ret.) will lead the Riderless Horse.

Our theme this year is "Texas Rangers" Bob Favor will be our guest speaker. Capt. W. Jeff Maltby, Texas Ranger and Belle Plains farmer, will be mentioned as well as the Callahan County Jail which was moved from Belle Plaine to its present location in Baird. As usual, we will have a time set aside to share our own Texas Ranger and Belle Plaine memories.

A potluck dinner will follow the business meeting. Please bring a covered dish to compliment the meat and drinks provided by the Association.

Please mark down May 30th on the calendar. This meeting/ceremony is open to the public. We look forward to seeing you!

## Republican and Democratic Primary Runoff Election early voting begins Monday

Early voting for the Republican Primary Runoff Election and Democratic Primary Runoff Election will begin on Monday, May 16th and will continue through Friday, May 20th at Callahan County Courthouse in Baird.

Early voting will only take place at the Callahan County Courthouse located at 100 W. 4th Street in Baird. The Republican and Democratic Primary Runoff Election hours will take place from 8:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m.

The Republican and Democratic Primary Runoff Elections will be held on

Tuesday, May 24th at the Clyde Justice of the Peace Office located at 208 Oak Street in Clyde, Eula School located at 6040 FM 603 in Eula, Callahan County Courthouse in Baird and the First Baptist Church located at 301 N. Main in Cross Plains. Polls on Election Day will be open from 7:00 a.m. until 7:00 p.m.

In Callahan County, the Republican Callahan County Commissioner Precinct #1 race is the only office being contested between incumbent Harold Hicks and challenger John Windham.

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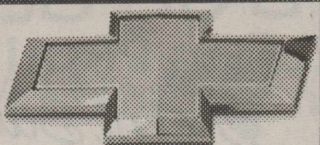
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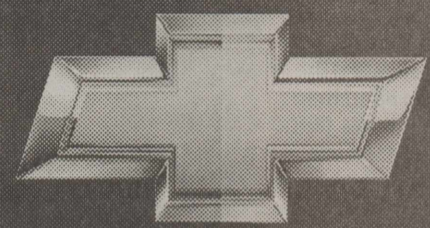
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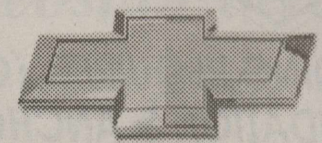
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## Texans urged to prepare for hurricane season now

AUSTIN - The Texas Department of Public Safety (DPS) is urging Texans to begin making plans to protect themselves and their families prior to the start of the 2016 hurricane season, which begins June 1 and continues through Nov. 30.

"Texans should not wait until a storm is in the Gulf of Mexico to begin planning for a disaster. We are urging residents to get their hurricane plans and kits in order now, before hurricane season starts," said DPS Director Steven McCraw. "Early preparation can be crucial to protecting lives and property when a storm threatens our state."

"Many Texans have already witnessed the perilous nature of severe weather this year, and the upcoming hurricane season presents the possibility for additional storms and dangerous conditions," said Texas Governor Greg Abbott. "I urge our residents to prepare for these potential threats as soon as possible, to stay aware of local weather conditions at all times, and to always abide by warnings and evacuation orders from their local officials."

All Atlantic and Gulf of Mexico coastal areas are subject to hurricanes or tropical storms. It is possible for a storm to severely impact our state, even prior to or without making direct landfall in Texas. Additionally, the rainbands associated with a tropical system have an extremely wide reach, so monitoring changing weather conditions during hurricane season is critically important for all Texans.

Hurricanes can cause catastrophic damage to coastlines, and winds can vary from 74 to 157 miles per hour (or higher). In addition, hurricanes and tropical storms can also spawn tornadoes, create dangerous coastal water conditions including storm surges along the coast, and cause extensive damage from flooding.

Here are several measures residents can take now to prepare for potential storms:

- \* Assemble an emergency kit that includes essential documents, supplies and provisions.

- \* Review hurricane evacuation maps, and select a route for you and your family.

- \* Plan how all family members and pets will evacuate safely.

- \* Consider any special needs for individuals with disabilities or the elderly.

- \* Stay informed about changing weather conditions in and around your area.

If you or someone you know might need assistance during a disaster, please register for the State of Texas Emergency Assistance Registry (STEAR), a free registry that provides local emergency planners and responders with additional information about needs in their communities. To register, contact 2-1-1 Texas, the state's free 24-hour helpline. No matter where you live in Texas, you can dial 2-1-1 or (877) 541-7905 for community resources.

For more ways to prepare for the 2016 hurricane season, please visit: [www.texasprepares.org](http://www.texasprepares.org).

## Commissioners continue Declaration of Disaster from storm damage

The Callahan County Commissioners' Court briefly met to continue the Declaration of Disaster for the May 11th-May 12th storm damage in Callahan County.

The commissioners' court met on Monday, May 16th at the County Courthouse in Baird. On a motion by Commissioner Harold Hicks and a second by Commissioner Cliff Kirkham, the commissioners' court voted 5-0 to continue the Declaration of Disaster for the May 11th-May 12th storm damage in the County.

Other agenda items brought before the commissioners' court included:

—The meeting of the Commissioners' Court was called to order at 9:34 a.m.

with the following officers present: Roger Corn, Judge Presiding, Harold Hicks, Commissioner Precinct No. 1, Bryan Farmer, Commissioner Precinct No. 2, Tom Windham, Commissioner Precinct No. 3, Cliff Kirkham, Commissioner Precinct No. 4, Jan Windham, County Treasurer, and Donna Bell, County Clerk. Also attending the meeting was Angie Campbell, the Callahan County Emergency Management Officer.

—Commissioner Windham made a motion to adjourn the commissioners' court meeting at 9:52 a.m. Commissioner Hicks seconded the motion and the motion carried with an unanimous 5-0 vote.

## New study shows trouble ahead for Texas nursing homes

(AUSTIN, Texas) — A new study estimates the Lone Star State short-changed Texas nursing homes about \$267 million last year.

"The ability to meet the needs and expectations of the growing elderly and disabled population should be a major cause for concern for everyone. As a result of the shortfall, as many as 80 percent of nursing homes in Texas are not having their costs for taking care of Medicaid patients met by the state," said Kevin Warren, president of the non-profit Texas Health Care Association. "Another shortfall on covering these costs is setting us up for trouble ahead for Texas nursing homes."

The study, sponsored by the non-profit American Health Care Association, comes on the heels of recent news that nurses are fleeing Texas facilities at an unprecedented rate with nurse assistants often able to receive higher wages in the fast food industry. Registered nurses in Texas nursing homes have a 94-percent annual turnover rate.

And as Texas nursing homes struggle with staffing issues, Texas' senior citizen population is set to explode. The U.S. Census Bureau estimates that more than 20 percent of Texas' population will be over age 60 by the year 2030, an increase of close to 25 percent from 2012.

Warren said the state's Medicaid reimbursement shortfall — about \$232,000

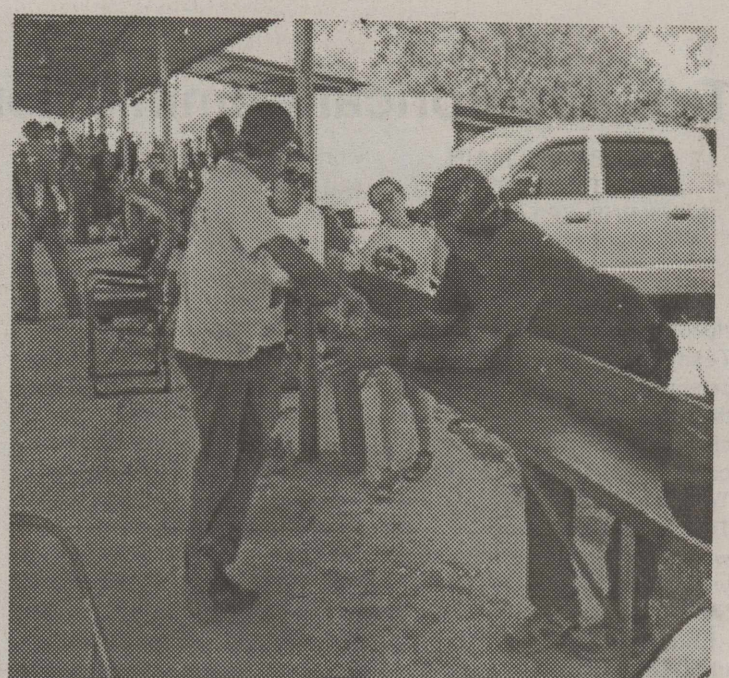
per home each year — not only forces down wages for front-line staff, but prohibits nursing home owners from buying much-needed medical equipment or updating aging facilities.

"Most nursing homes in Texas take care of Medicaid patients at rates that just don't cover their costs," Warren said. About 85-percent of residents in Texas nursing homes rely on Medicaid or Medicare.

"Buying a new ventilator or investing more for staff is tough when you aren't getting paid in full for providing care for a majority of your residents," Warren said. "Texas nursing homes are 100-percent dedicated to providing high-quality, hands-on care every day. But when it comes time to pay the bills, the state is falling short — about 12-percent short to be exact, according to this study."

Texas lawmakers can avert a future nursing home crisis by fixing the funding shortfall next legislative session, said Dr. C. Bruce Davis, Deputy Speaker Pro Tem for the Texas Silver Haired Legislature. The issue is one of the group's top legislative priorities for the 85th Legislative Session, which starts in January.

"The low Medicaid reimbursement rate in Texas, 49th lowest in the nation, threatens the closure of many of our rural nursing facilities," Davis said.



## Callahan County 4-H Rifle & Pistol teams participate in Brady Match Saturday, May 7th

The Callahan County 4-H Rifle and Pistol teams participated in the McCullough County Shooting Match held at Brady Lake on Saturday, May 7, 2016.

Callahan County team members entered numerous events including: BB Gun, 3-P 22 Rifle; Sporter Air Rifle; Air Pistol, Light Rifle; and 22 Rifle Silhouette.

There were nine Callahan County Rifle Club members who competed in the match. There were five juniors: Cutter Kniffen, Chase Rutland, Julie Ghent, Emery Fulgham, and Lily Wheeler. There were three Intermediates including: Maddie Collins, Violet Wheeler, and Jasmine Wheeler. There was one senior member: Morgan Fulgham.

The Brady Range & RV Park were in excellent condition and Saturday was a perfect day for approximately 110 4-Hers.

Everyone who attended had a great time.



CALLAHAN COUNTY 4-H RIFLE & PISTOL TEAMS COMPETING IN THE McCULLOUGH COUNTY SHOOTING SPORTS MATCH HELD MAY 7TH INCLUDED: CUTTER KNIFFEN, JULIE GHENT, CHASE RUTLAND, LILY WHEELER, VIOLET WHEELER, JASMINE WHEELER, MADDIE COLLINS, MORGAN FULGHAM, AND EMERY FULGHAM.

## DPS remembers Fallen Officers at Memorial Service

AUSTIN - The Texas Department of Public Safety (DPS) today honored Texas law enforcement officers who lost their lives in the line of duty during the past year, including two Highway Patrol Troopers and one Hutto Police Department officer. Texas State Representative Larry Phillips, the keynote speaker for the service, and various other law enforcement officials and family members of fallen officers attended the memorial ceremony, which was held in conjunction with National Police Week.

Sgt. William "Karl" Keese, of Brownwood, died in the line of duty on Oct. 29, 2015, as a result of a traffic crash. Trooper Jeffrey Nichols, of Paris, Texas, died in a traffic crash March 26, 2016. In addition, Hutto Police Department Sgt. Christopher

Kelley died in the line of duty on June 24, 2015, after being struck by a suspect evading police in a motor vehicle.

"A career in law enforcement carries with it considerable risks and responsibilities, and today we pay our respects to the brave men and women who willingly take on the duties of a peace officer," said Rep. Larry Phillips. "We are eternally grateful for the fallen officers who have given their all to protect their communities. On behalf of all Texans, we also express our tremendous appreciation to the families who have sacrificed so much for the safety of others."

Since 1823, 219 officers serving in the Texas Rangers and DPS have died in the line of duty. According to the Officer Down Memorial Page, three police officers have died while on duty in Texas this year, and

in 2015, there were 12 line-of-duty deaths statewide.

Family members of the fallen DPS officers — including Darla Keese and Merle Lemond, widow and mother of Sgt. Keese; and Chrystal Smith and Brian Nichols, sister and brother of Trooper Nichols — placed a memorial wreath during the ceremony.

"We are humbled by the extraordinary men and women who devote their lives to protecting and serving their communities," said Public Safety Chair Cynthia Leon. "The fallen heroes, families and loved ones we honor today have given so much, and we cannot thank them enough for their sacrifice."

"With the tragic loss of these three courageous and selfless officers — and all those before them — we are solemnly

reminded that there is no greater devotion to duty than to serve and protect others at any and all costs," said DPS Director Steven McCraw. "Today we pause to show our immense gratitude for their service and supreme sacrifices. And we endeavor to bring some comfort to these heroic families, who have endured so much."

The DPS service is one of many ceremonies held across the United States to honor fallen law enforcement officers during National Police Week, May 15-21.

For a list and photos of fallen DPS members throughout history, visit the DPS website at [www.dps.texas.gov/memorial/](http://www.dps.texas.gov/memorial/). For more information about fallen officers across the state and nation, see [www.odmp.org/](http://www.odmp.org/).

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For Mother's Day, you can order flowers at 1-800-BASKETS.com and raise 6.4% of your purchase for the library. Working on your spring garden? You can save and donate at Burpee.com. While at donor websites, click on the iGive icon in the lower right corner and a pop-up will show you more coupons and savings!

At the end of the year, visit iGive.com and get a print-out of what YOU have donated from your purchases — it's a legitimate charitable tax deduction!




### The Recipe Corner

Roasted Asparagus Lasagna  
Prep Time: 20 Minutes Bake Time: 45 Minutes + Standing

**Ingredients:**

- \* 2 pounds fresh asparagus, trimmed and cut into 1-inch pieces
- \* 1 cup sliced fresh mushrooms
- \* 2 tablespoons olive oil, divided
- \* 2 tablespoons butter
- \* 3 tablespoons all-purpose flour
- \* 1/4 teaspoon salt
- \* 1/8 teaspoon white pepper
- \* Dash ground cloves
- \* 1-1/2 cups milk
- \* 1 cup thinly sliced red onion
- \* 2 garlic cloves, minced
- \* 12 lasagna noodles, cooked and drained
- \* 1-1/2 cups (6 ounces) shredded part-skim mozzarella cheese
- \* 3/4 cup grated Parmesan cheese



**Directions**

1. Place asparagus and mushrooms in a shallow roasting pan. Drizzle with 1 tablespoon oil; toss to coat. Bake at 450° for 8-10 minutes or until vegetables are browned; set aside. Reduce heat to 350°.
2. In a large saucepan, melt butter. Stir in the flour, salt, pepper and cloves until smooth. Gradually stir in milk. Bring to a boil; cook and stir for 2 minutes or until thickened. Set aside.
3. In a large skillet, saute onion in remaining oil until tender. Add garlic; cook 1 minute longer. Remove from the heat; add roasted asparagus and mushrooms.
4. In a 13-in. x 9-in. baking dish coated with cooking spray, layer four noodles, a third of the asparagus mixture, a third of the white sauce, 1/2 cup mozzarella cheese and 1/4 cup Parmesan cheese. Repeat layers twice.
5. Cover and bake at 350° for 35 minutes. Uncover; bake 10-15 minutes longer or until heated through. Let stand for 15 minutes before cutting. Yield: 12 servings.