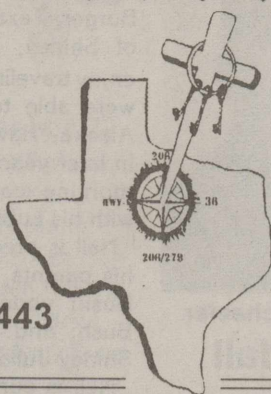


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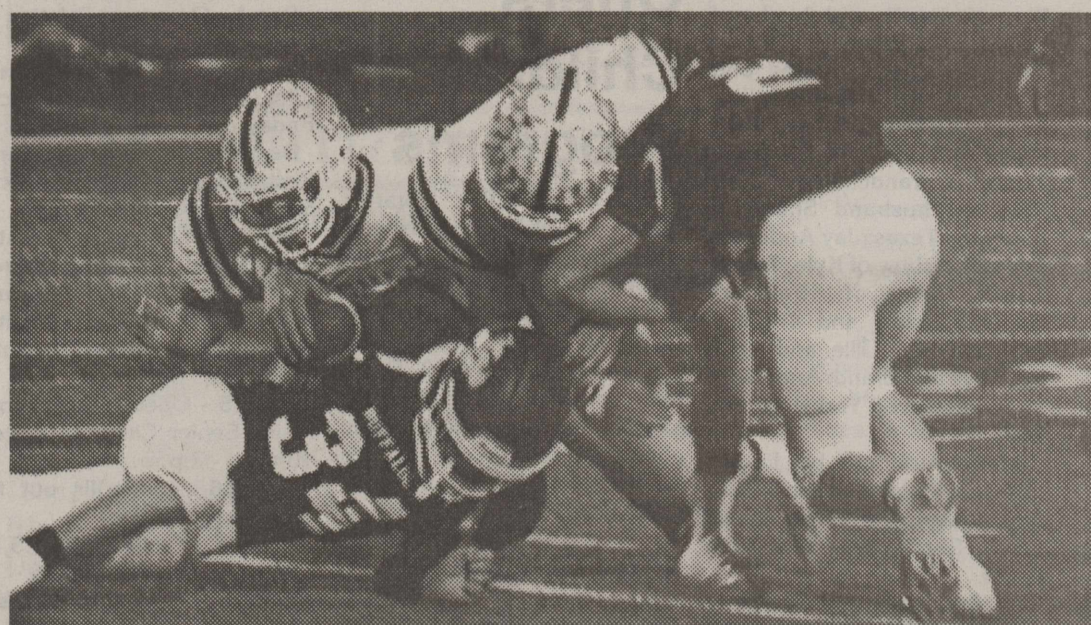
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The Buffaloes end the season as the Bi-District Champs after a hard loss to Munday on Friday night. Story and photos inside.



Headed to State - Katy Jo Morgan, Hannah Cowan, Kersey Wyatt and Grace Goode. Katy Jo placed 2nd in the Area Contest in Senior Creed Speaking. Hannah, Kersey and Grace are the FFA Radio Broadcasting Team. They placed second at the Area Contest and will also compete in the State Competition.

4 His Glory Christmas Cantata "Joy" at Presbyterian Church, Sunday, December 18th

4His Glory will present their annual Christmas Cantata at the First Presbyterian Church on Sunday, December 18th at 7 p.m.

The program titled "Joy". Bring a friend and enjoy the free performance. Refreshments will be served afterward. Everyone is invited to attend.

Library Book Sale, Saturday December 3rd

Shop the Library Book Sale and Bake Sale on December 3rd and Support the Library's GED Students.

The Cross Plains Public Library Book Sale will be combined with a bake sale and hosted by our GED students on Saturday, December 3rd, across from Lawrence Farm & Ranch on Highway 36 between 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. GED students are raising money to pay for their final tests - the only out-of-pocket expenses they incur. All other materials are provided free, but to graduate they must pass four tests and each test costs \$34. Three of our students will be ready for testing in May of 2017.

Stop in and show your support for these students!!

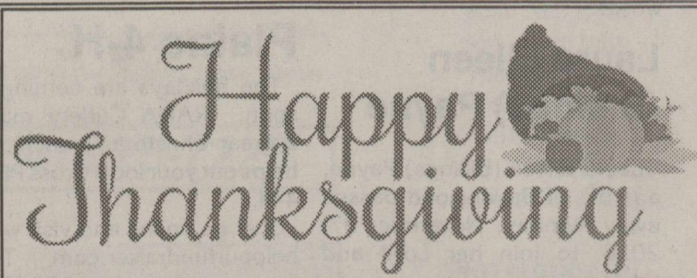
Christmas Cantata at First Baptist Church, Sunday, December 11th

The First Baptist Church's Christmas Cantata "He Shall Be Called" will be held on Sunday, December 11th at 6:30 p.m.

The performance is free. Everyone is invited to attend.

Angel Tree Applications Needed By December 8th

Applications for this year's Community Angel Tree at the bank are available at ResourceCare Community Health Center and Texas Heritage Bank. If you are the parent/guardian of a child/children (infant through school age) that lives in the Cross Plains school district and is in need, please complete and return the application to either location by Thursday, December 8.



Christmas Craft Sale is Just Around the Corner

The Cross Plains Public Library will hold their annual Christmas Craft Sale on Friday, Dec. 2, from 12:00 p.m. until 6:00 p.m. and Saturday, Dec. 3, from 10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. at First United Methodist Church in Cross Plains. A reserved space will be approximately 8'x10' for only \$10, if you contact us before November 17 - after November 17 the cost is \$15. We already have two new vendors joining this year! Once again we will have a

variety of FREE books that can be used for gifts and an Under-\$1 table for the kids. This year we will be adding a gift-wrapping service for a free-will donation and you can choose from a variety of papers, bags, and ribbons. Gift-wrapping is NOT limited to items purchased at the craft fair, so husbands, bring your gift for the wife to us and we'll wrap it for you.

Contact the library at 725-7722 to reserve your space now.

Thanksgiving Holidays



Classes will resume on Monday, November 28th

School's Out Early Tuesday, November 22nd at 1:00. Buses will run at 1:10 p.m.

School's Out for Thanksgiving Holidays: Wednesday November 23rd Thursday, November 24th Friday, November 25th

Cross Plains High School senior Grace Goode named to Cross Country All-State Team

The Texas Girls Coaches Association selects All-State teams in conferences 1A, 2A, 3A, 4A, 5A and 6A in cross country. Athletes are selected from nominations by member coaches submitted to the TGCA Cross Country Committee, and selections are made by the committee at their annual meeting during the UIL State Cross Country Meet. Each conference selects up to 15 athletes for All-State honors. The head varsity coach of the sport must be a member of TGCA by November 1st to be eligible to nominate athletes for honors or to receive honors themselves.

DPS Holiday Office Hours

Starting at 12:00 Noon on November 23, 2016 the Texas Department of Public Safety Offices, including the Driver License Office, will close for the Thanksgiving Holiday and will not reopen until Monday, November 28th at 8:00 a.m.

senior Grace Goode was named to the Conference 1A 2016-2017 Cross Country All-State Team by her Coach Michelle D. Allen.

Time to Start Getting Your Christmas Floats Ready

The Cross Plains Chamber of Commerce is hosting a Christmas Parade, Thursday, December 1, 2016. This will be a great parade for the family!

Looking for something fun before the parade? Check out the Kiwanis Annual Stew Supper 5pm-7pm, and the library will be hosting the ornament painting for the children.

Santa will be at the Stew Supper for parents to take pictures. We hope to see you there!

For more information Myleah at the chamber office 254-725-7251 or Terrie Parum, Parade Chairman at 325-642-9978.

Cross Plains FFA LDE Teams Headed to State

Cross Plains FFA Radio Broadcasting and Senior Creed Speaking Teams qualified for state!

On Monday, November 14, the Cross Plains FFA participated in the Big Country District FFA Leadership Development Events held at the Cisco College and Cisco High School Campuses. We had 36 FFA members participate on 12 different teams at the District contests. Of the 12 teams, 5 of those teams advanced to the Area contests. Cross Plains FFA won the overall District contest Sweepstakes.

Then, On Monday, November 21, the Cross Plains FFA traveled to Mineral Wells High School to compete in the Area IV LDE's. Cross Plains was represented by 5 teams, consisting of 20 FFA members. 2 of those teams advanced to

the State competition which will be held on December 2 and 3 in Huntsville on the Sam Houston State University Campus.

The results of each contest and members of each LDE team are listed below:

FFA Radio Broadcasting - 2nd District, 2nd Area, State Qualifier: Hannah Cowan, Grace Goode, Kersey Wyatt

Senior FFA Creed Speaking - 2nd District, 2nd Area, State Qualifier: Katy Jo Morgan

Senior Chapter Conducting - 2nd District, 4th Area: Larson Walker, Jacy Bien, Gage Connelly, Creed Goode, Grace Goode, Trent Potter, Jackilann Shepard, Macee Steigleder, Tripp Thomas

Public Relations Team - 2nd District, 5th Area: Katy Jo Morgan, Larson Walker, Mackenzie Byrd

Senior Farm Skills - 2nd

District, 7th Area: Creed Goode, Joe Crockett, James Rhyne

Job Interview - 5th District Spanish Creed Speaking - 3rd District: Brian Morales

Junior Chapter Conducting - 4th District

Junior Quiz - 2nd District, 7th Area: Caley Box, River Bradley, Wade Byrd, Andrew Carey, Isabell Dean, Layne Ellis, Jeanna Hall, Kinlee Mathews, Cody McWilliams, Kolby McKinney, Madilyn Shepard, Jody Traweek, Abbigail Wheeler, Taylor Wyatt.

Junior Farm Skills - 6th District: Roby Odom, Sean Hernandez, Keegan Tillery

Senior Quiz - 9th District: Jacy Bien, Jackilann Shepard, Strena Cunningham, Trent Potter

Junior Creed Speaking - 11th District: Jordan Hampton

Santa Claus is Coming to Cross Plains



Santa Claus is coming to Cross Plains for the Annual Stew Supper/Fund - raiser hosted by the Kiwanis International. Mark your calendar for Thursday, December 1st at the Cross Plains Senior Citizen Center. We ask your support with this fund-raiser in our endeavor to help local children's projects.

Supper will be served from 5:00 pm- 7:00 pm with Santa arriving at 6:00 pm. Cost for the stew dinner is \$5.00 for adults and \$3.00 for children 12 and under. All children are invited to have their photo taken with

Santa and will receive a bag of goodies. This year the Kiwanis will not offer the photos with Santa, but all parents are welcome to take pictures of their children with their personal phones or cameras.

The Senior Center will have array of desserts available for purchase which will support their various projects. During the evening there will be drawings for turkeys and gifts. We look forward to an enjoyable evening of fellowship in our community.

Christmas Cantata at Methodist Church Sunday, December 4

The First United Methodist Church warmly invites the public to its annual Christmas Cantata at 4:00 on Sunday, December 4 and to a reception which follow.

In the beautifully decorated Sanctuary, we return to the scene of a humble manger where the great Light of the World was born. We join with the shepherds and angels - in awe of God's Love come to earth. Amidst the noise and distractions, we still our hearts as we bow before Him and worship the one true King.

"Come Let us Adore" is a combination of the full choir and solos that have been enhanced by several

community singers and directed by Stacy Montgomery. The youth of the church, under the direction of Stacy Jones will be adding the drama to tell the story designed to draw us closer to the true hope and joy of the season.

Several of the songs to be presented are from Chris Tomlin's Christmas album and include upbeat renditions of "Noel" and "A King Like This." Traditional songs are intertwined with each other to awaken different perspectives of the Christmas story. FUMC encourages you to put this date on your calendar and come prepared to be touched by the true message of the season.

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Sunday School9:45 AM
 Morning Worship.....11:00 AM
 Ministry Activities
 Youth Meet at Pool House.....6:30PM
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 Friendly Church Church (254) 725-6266 Bible Teaching

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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Pastor Max Evans

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Rowden Baptist Church

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Bible Study...10:00 am

Sunday Morning Worship...11:00 am

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

Sunday School
 9:30

Wednesday

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 Student & Children Ministries 6:30 p.m.

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Wednesday: Evening: 7:00P.M.

Ladies Class - Wednesday:

10:00A.M. (at the church activity center on East Hwy 36)

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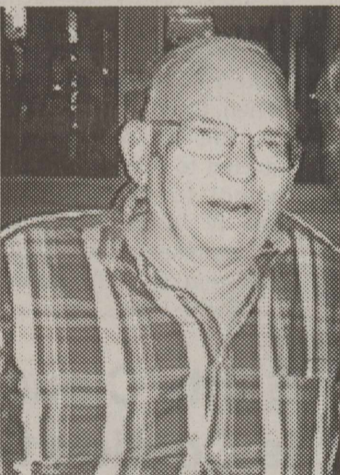
Phillip Randall Schaefer

Phillip Randall Schaefer 62, of Cross Plains was called home to his Lord and Savior Wednesday November 15, 2016. Funeral Service will be at 10:30 A.M. Friday, November 18, 2016 at New Life Tabernacle United Pentecostal Church officiated by Don Martin and Cynthia Tollett; 306 West 17th Street Cisco, Texas. Interment will be at Romney Cemetery on Hwy 183 south of Cisco under the direction of Kimbrough Funeral Home of Cisco. Visitation will be Thursday evening 5-7 p.m. at the funeral home.

Phillip was born December 31, 1953 in Cisco, Texas to Henry Axel and Thelma Hattie (Whatley) Schaefer. He attended school in Cisco and received a Bachelor's Degree in Theology from Texas Bible College in Houston. Phillip married Susan Jeanette (Swindle) June 2, 1979 in Romney, Texas. He was employed by Airgas in Abilene as an electrician and also Pastored the Cross Plains United Pentecostal Church.

Survivors are his wife Susan of Cross Plains, Texas. Son Benjamin Schaefer and wife Ruby of Hurst, Texas. Daughter Starla Neighbors and husband Dustin of Stephenville, Texas. Mother Thelma Schaefer of Cisco and Sister Ruth Stewart of Cisco. Grandchildren: Kennedy Schaefer of Hurst, Texas and Trevor, Lena, and Hannah Neighbors of Stephenville. He was preceded by his Father Henry Schaefer.

Memorials may be directed to the Texas School for the Deaf, 1102 S Congress Ave. Austin Texas 78704.



Doran "Neil" Bush

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Doran "Neil" Bush, 88, of Lubbock, Texas, passed away on November 14, 2016 in Lubbock, Texas.

Family and Friends visitation was held Wednesday, November 16 from 6:00pm-8:00 pm at Resthaven Funeral Home, 5740 W. 19th St. Lubbock, Texas 79423.

Funeral services were held Thursday, November 17th at 2:00 pm at Resthaven Chapel. Burial followed at Resthaven Cemetery.

Neil was born in Cross Plains, Texas to Lester and Lucille Bush on September 19, 1928. He went to school in Cross Plains. He married Shirley Julian on December 25, 1951 in Borger, Texas. He worked as a Pumper/Gang Pusher in the E&P department for Phillips Petroleum for 45 years. He was a National Guard veteran. He was involved in Texans on Safari Motorhome Club, holding the Office of Vice-President for several years. Through their Motorhome club, he and his wife, Shirley,

participated in building homes for the Habitat for Humanity. He was an active member of the First Baptist Church in Borger, Texas. After the death of Shirley, Neil continued to enjoy traveling. He and Jo Veda were able to visit places like Alaska, Hawaii, and Canada. In later years, Neil enjoyed his morning coffee get-togethers with his Lubbock friends.

Neil is preceded in death by his parents, Lester and Lucille Bush; younger brother Gene Bush; and wife of 57 years, Shirley Julian Bush.

Neil is survived by daughter Rhonda Lewis and husband David of Lubbock, Texas; daughter Brenda Cates and husband Jeff of Amarillo, Texas; Jo Veda Fleming Bush - wife of 7 years of Lubbock, Texas; 3 grandchildren, Julie Ray and husband Shane of Lubbock, Texas; Jay Anderson and wife Ashley of Kyle, Texas; Logan Cates of Farmers Branch, Texas; and 4 great-grandchildren Lillie and Lane Ray, Ava and Brandt Anderson; and his beloved Yorkie puppy, Sally Cat.

Pallbearers will be Logan Cates, Lt. Colonel Jason Julian, Jared Julian, Jeff Cates, David Lewis, Shane Ray, and Brian Lewis.

The family of Neil Bush wishes to extend our sincere thanks to all the family and friends for their prayers and caring, loving words.

Laura Eileen (Billings) Payne

Laura Eileen (Billings) Payne, age 57, of Brownwood passed away Monday, November 07, 2016, to join her Lord and Savior.

Memorial Service for Laura will be held Saturday, November 26, 2016 at 10:00 a.m. at First Baptist Church of Cross Plains with Bro. Ronnie White officiating; interment will be held at a later date. Arrangements are under the direction of Blaylock Funeral Home.

Laura was born to Adelbert and Rebecca Billings on May 22, 1959, in Hartford, CT; she was the 5th of 6 children. After the split of her parents, she was raised by her mom who worked 2 jobs to make ends meet.

Laura married her husband of 31 years, Jerry Payne, in El Paso on May 4, 1985. They were blessed with a son, Jimmy Lee Payne, on November 24, 1985. She spent her life teaching Jim the way to live a fruitful life. Laura was truly a loving person and asks nothing for herself. She will be deeply missed.

She was preceded in death by her parents; and a brother, Sam Billings.

Laura is survived by her husband, Jerry Payne of Brownwood; son, Jim Payne of Brownwood; grandson, Joshua Payne of Brownwood; step-daughter, Lila Mobley and husband Michael of May; 3 step-granddaughters, Alisha, Heather, and Victoria all of Brownwood. She is also survived by several nieces, nephews, relatives, and friends.

Memorials can be made to The Liver Institute at Methodist Dallas (1411 N. Beckley Avenue Pavilion III, Suite 268 Dallas, Texas 75203) in memory of Laura. Online condolences for the family are welcome at www.blaylockfuneralhome.com.

Blaylock Funeral Home
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 Brownwood, TX 76801
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 fax: (325)203-4029



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Al Taylor, Preacher

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Death Notices

Louise Black Ray

Services for Helen Louise Black Ray, 71, of Cross Plains, were Monday, Nov. 21, 2016 with committal service at the Texas State Veterans Cemetery at Abilene.

She died Thursday, Nov. 17, 2016 in Early.

Library Offers Children's Programs

Cross Plains Public Library's "Learn About..." Program is a structured readiness program for preschool children ages 3-5 every Wednesday morning from 10:00 to 10:45 a.m. November through April. There will also be a LAPsit program available at the same time for children under the age of 3. A parent must accompany the child for this program.

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DPS Command College Graduates New Class of Leaders

AUSTIN - The Texas Department of Public Safety (DPS) today celebrated the graduation of 26 professionals (25 from DPS and one from the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department) from the DPS Command College. The senior-level leadership training course spans four months and was created to advance the science of law enforcement and support leadership development within the agency. This is the fourth class to graduate from the DPS Command College, which launched in 2015.

"Strong, inspirational leaders motivate others to greatness, and we are proud of our Command College graduates, who have spent the past four months honing and advancing their leadership skills in order to better serve the people of Texas," said DPS Director Steven McCraw. "DPS is devoted to empowering the men and women at the department and encouraging professional growth at every level, and we thank you for your commitment to completing this rigorous program."

Cross Plains Community Calendar

November

Nov 23-25 - School's out for Thanksgiving Holiday
 Nov 24 - Thanksgiving
 Nov 27 - Spaghetti Fundraiser, First Baptist Youth, First Baptist Church Family Life Center, noon.

December

Dec 1 - Kiwanis Stew Supper and Christmas Parade (Thursday night), 5 - 7 p.m. Santa arrives at 6 p.m.
 Dec 1 - Ornament Painting at the Library
 Dec 2 - Christmas Craft Fair, First United Methodist Church, Friday noon - 6 p.m.
 Dec 3 - Christmas Craft Fair, First United Methodist Church, Saturday, 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.
 Dec 4 - Christmas Cantata, First United Methodist Church "Come Let Us Adore," 4 p.m.
 Dec 11 - Christmas Cantata, First Baptist Church, "He Shall Be Called," 6:30 p.m.
 Dec 15 - Open House, Cross Plains Senior Citizen's Center, 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.
 Dec 16 - School's out for Christmas Holiday
 Dec 16 - Cross Plains I.S.D. Christmas Concert, 6 p.m.
 Dec 18 - Christmas Cantata "Joy", 4His Glory, First United Presbyterian Church, 7 p.m.
 Dec 25 - Christmas
 Dec 31 - New Year's Eve

January

Jan 1 - Happy New Year!
 Jan 3 - School starts back after the holidays
 Jan 12-14 - Callahan County Junior Livestock Show and Rodeo

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Mesothelioma

may occur 30 to 60 years after exposure to asbestos. Many workers were exposed from the 1940s through the 1970s. Industrial and construction workers, along with their families (second hand exposure) are among those at risk for mesothelioma, lung cancer or gastro cancer (throat, stomach, colon). Call us for professional insight.

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For More Information, Please Contact Sleep Therapy and Research Center, Dr. James Andry or Sue Rafati at (210) 614-6000

Senior Citizens Center Activities

Nov. 28th - Dec. 2nd

Monday-28th Crafts with Chris 10:30/Exercise 11:00/
Music Monday -Sing & Play Along 6:00 pm
Tuesday 29th Exercise 11:00
Wednesday-30th Exercise 11:00
Thursday-1st Exercise 11:00/Reading with 3rd Graders 9:45 & 12:25, Kiwanis Stew Supper 5:00 p.m.
Friday - 2nd Exercise 11:00/Bingo 11:15 /Library Craft Sale
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

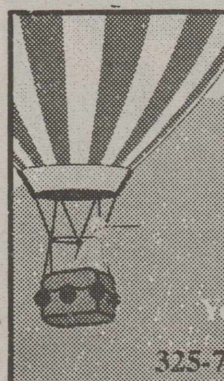
Nov. 28th - Dec. 2nd

Monday 28th- Hamburger Steak, Potatoes with Gravy, Mixed Vegetables, Bread, Dessert
Tuesday 29th- Chicken Tenders, Potatoes, Gravy, Black Eye Peas, Bread, Dessert
Wednesday 30th- Chili Beans, Onion Slices, Spinach, Cornbread, Dessert
Thursday 1st - Chicken Pot Pie, Spianch/Lettuce/Tomatoe, Peach & Pear Medley, Cookie
Friday 2nd- Baked Sausage, Lima Beans, Mac & Cheese, Orange Slices, Bread, Dessert

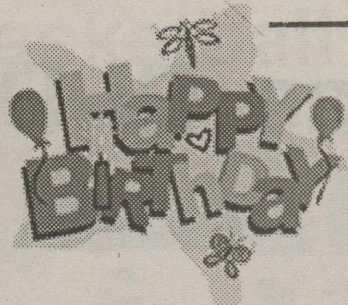
MEAL IS SERVED -
11:45 A.M. - 12:30 P.M.

Monthly Menu may be picked up at the Senior Citizen Center

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Hazel Lee
Dr. Weldon Newton
Morris Belew
Sue (Gardner) Bunn
Mrs. Hester Sullens
Bill Cohn
Paul Matthew Sowell
Darrel Chastain
Dale Porter
Emma Lou Corley

November 28

Eddie Flippin
Joan Brown
Jody Brown
Roxie Fletcher
Cady Miranda Taylor
Mary Penninger
Sean Alan Branham
Perry Neal Clyatt
Robert Lawrence
Eddie Smith
Jessie Ellerbe

November 29

Janet Whitley
Charles Payne
Alan Neil Byrd
Mrs. Dora Lilly
Randle Franke
Michael Mobley
Mike Walker
Cody Zane Knowles
John Fred McWilliams

November 30

Donald Hargrove
Julie Watson
Paula Ann (Wright) Winfrey
Denise (Flippin) Hubbard
Vernette Rhodes
Justin D. Hopkins
Saul Reyes
Ashley Broadus

December 1

Jaxson Gaudin
Mark Bland
Jerry Whiteside
Craig (Penrod) Rogers
Darrell Lynn Dillard
Pamela McCowen
Stephen Farmer
Wilda Holland
Vanda (Livingston) Robinson
Jenifer Lee
Dustyn Lee

December 2

Pat (Vaughn) Phillips
Marilyn Maria Perry
William Johnson
Jessica Hernandez
Rex Lee Beggs
John Long
Benny Callaway
Darrell Collier
Tracy (Erwin) Terrill

December 3

Amanda Dunaway
Jeremy Box
Mary Frances Walker
Dana Jean Dimitri
Mrs. J.D. Moore
Bobby Porter
Darin Apple
Raymond F. Sifuentes Jr.

Callahan County 4-H Jackets for Joy Coat Drive

Callahan County 4-H is participating in the Jackets For Joy Coat Drive. We will be accepting new or gently used coats/jackets and winter clothing for adults and children.

The drop off locations are Cross Plains FBC and the Callahan County Extension Office in Baird.

If you have any questions or would like to help, please feel free to contact me @325-854-5835. With colder weather approaching, there are many in the big country without proper winter attire. Donations accepted until December 15th.

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Grand Ole Oplin Line-Up

The Oplin Community Center hosts The Grand Ole Oplin dance, which is an alcohol free, smoke free venue. These Friday night dances are from 7:30 PM to 10:30 PM, and is located at the intersection of FM 604 S and FM 2926.

During the bands intermission, snacks are provided by our patrons. If you wish to partake, please also bring snacks to share with others.

For the low price of \$5.00 per person, you can enjoy these bands:

• November 25----Muddy Creek rounds out the month for us.

There's much to be thankful for at The Grand Ole Oplin!

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Cottonwood News by Beverly Brown

We wish you a Happy Thanksgiving. Have a safe journey as you travel to and from visiting your family and loved ones.

David Weaver of Corpus Christi is here spending the Thanksgiving holiday with his mother, Mary Ella Weaver. David decided to come and surprise his mother.

The Thanksgiving and Christmas Fellowship dinner will be held right after church on Sunday, December 4th.

Candlelight services will be held at the Cottonwood Baptist Church later this month.

Christmas carols and holiday music is just around the corner! The First United Methodist Church in Cross Plains will hold their Christmas Cantata "Come

Let Us Adore" on Sunday, December 4th at 4 p.m.

The First Baptist Church's Christmas Cantata "He Shall Be Called" will be held on Sunday, December 11th at 6:30 p.m.

4His Glory and the First Presbyterian Church will have their Christmas Cantata "Joy" on Sunday, December 18th at 7 p.m.

On December 16th, the Cross Plains ISD Christmas Concert will be held in the school auditorium at 6 p.m.

In observance of the holidays, no Cottonwood Musical will be held in December.

The Burn Ban is OFF. Please call the Sheriff's Office at 325-854-1444 to let them know you are planning to burn.

Courthouse News

Callahan County Court
Roger Corn, presiding

Misdemeanor Filings

Alexis R. Black, assault causing bodily injury - family violence.

William T. Reynolds, assault.

Anthony Baker, driving while intoxicated (DWI).

Lonnie Nell Bell, driving while license invalid.

Demetrius Strokes, possession of marijuana, less than 2 oz.

Trevion D. Hogg, possession of marijuana, less than 2 oz.

Colton B. Burton, DWI.

Justine J. Winkelspecht, possession of marijuana, less than 2 oz.

Tiffany Grice, illegal dumping.

Nicholas A. Morales, resist arrest / search / transport.

Demarcus R. Williams, Jr., possession of marijuana, less than 2 oz.

Evonne D. Underwood, resist arrest / search / transport.

Benito Murillo, assault causing bodily injury - family violence.

Nicholas A. Morales, assault causing bodily injury - family violence.

Douglas A. Bushart, criminal trespass.

Matthew Kelly, theft.

James R. Johnston, DWI.

Donna Marie France, theft by check \$20 < \$500.

Montel R. McKinley, evading arrest / detention.

Misdemeanor Minutes

End of term order discharging defendant under misdemeanor probation: Francis L. Caffey.

End of term order discharging

defendants under deferred adjudication: Larry Dudley; Nathaniel C. Walsh.

Michelle Weaver, plea of guilty to possession of marijuana, 30 days in jail, \$329 court costs.

Michael Hettinger, plea of guilty to criminal mischief, 30 days in jail, \$269 court costs.

Robert Gorham, plea of guilty to criminal trespass, 30 days in jail, \$329 court costs.

Cody J. White, motion to dismiss to possession of marijuana granted, case duplicated.

Montel McKinley, plea of guilty to evading arrest, 180 days in jail, \$329 court costs.

Marriage Licenses

Alton Cecil Yandell, Jr. and Carolyn Louise Pettigrew, both of Clyde.

Mary Catherine Prickett and Kristyn Shawn Stewart, both of Clyde.

42nd District Court

John Weeks, presiding

Criminal Minutes

Marcus L. Byrd, judgment re-voicing probation granted.

Civil Minutes

Kami Ramos and Louis Ramos, Jr., divorce granted.

Nikki Dawn Nelson and Jennifer Leigh Alexander, divorce granted.

Julie B. Morris, final default judgment of forfeiture granted, court to recover the sum of \$5000 from Julie B. Morris and Affordable Friendly Bail Bonds.

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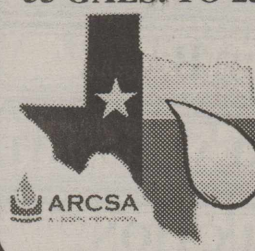
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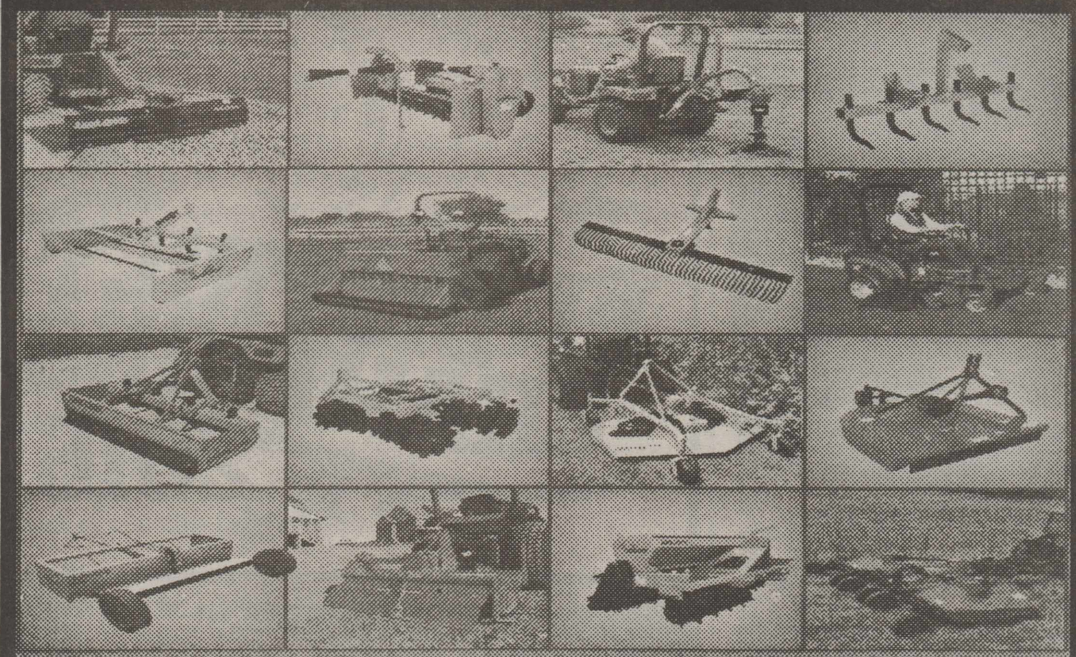
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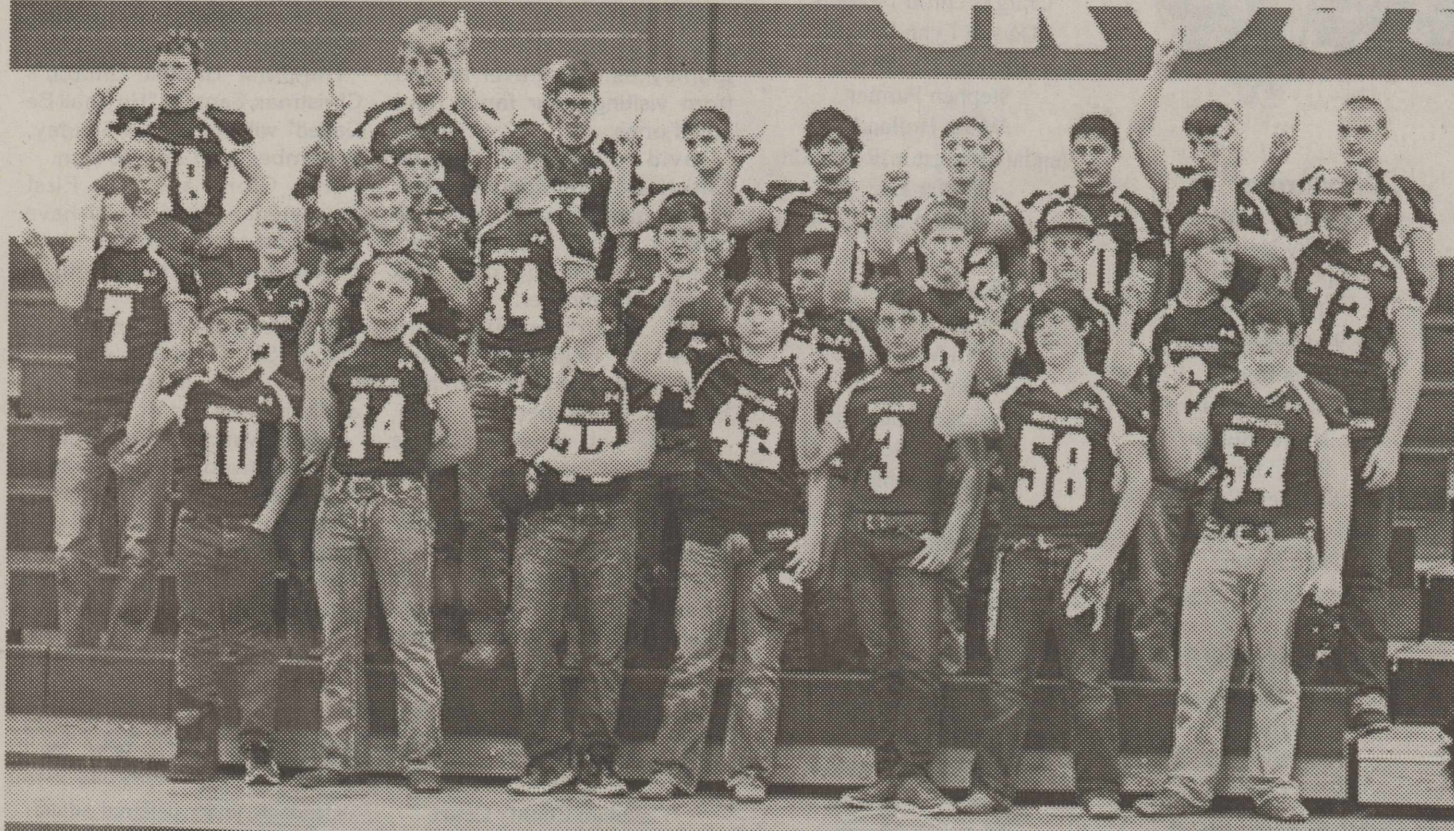
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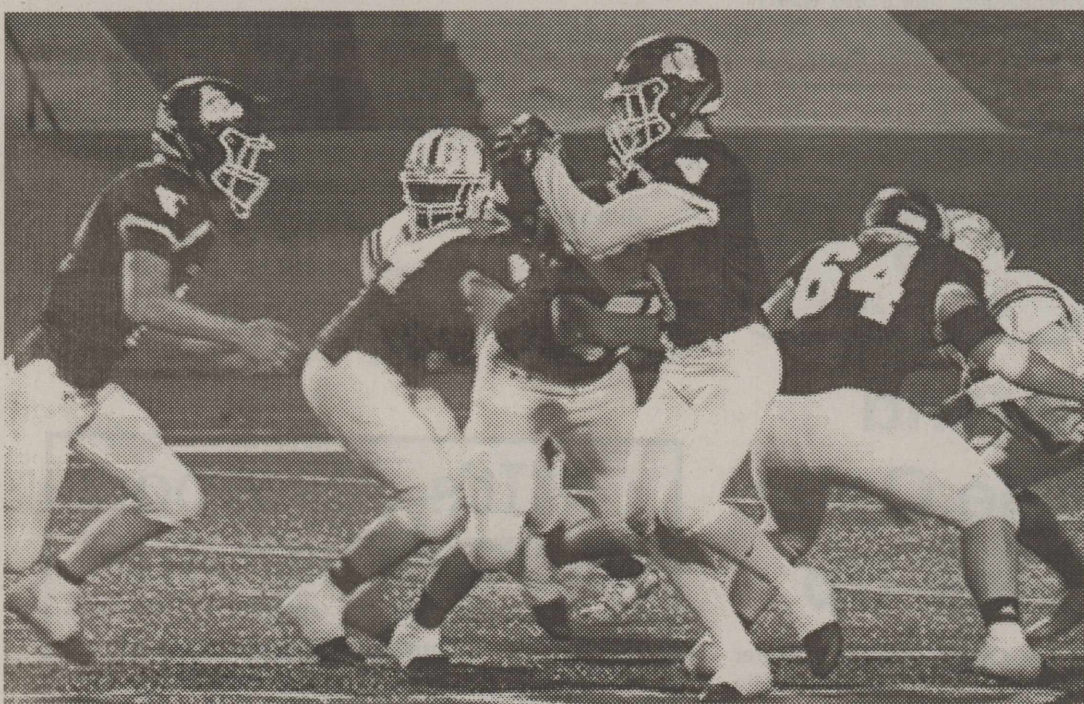
Buffaloes at their last pep rally on Friday. The Bi-District Champions ended a great season Friday night. We can all be proud of their accomplishments this year.

Munday Blanks Cross Plains in Area Playoff Game

by Al Pickett
 The best season in two decades for the Cross Plains High School football team came to an abrupt end Friday night when Munday pounded the Buffaloes 60-0 in a Class 2A Division area-round playoff game in Colorado City.
 Cross Plains, which won its first playoff game in 19 years in a 50-42 bi-district victory over Wink a week earlier, finished its season with an 8-4 record. The Buffaloes had finished second behind state-ranked Albany in the District 6-2A Division II standings this season. Munday (11-1) will play Muenster in the regional round at 1 p.m. Friday at Memorial Stadium in Wichita Falls.
 Munday shut down the

Buffaloes' vaunted running game, limiting Cross Plains to less than 100 yards total offense in posting the shutout win.
 Meanwhile, the Moguls' offense scored four touchdowns in the first quarter and added three more scores in the second quarter to take a 48-0 halftime lead.
 Day'veon Dockins carried the ball only four times but scored four first-half touchdowns for Munday on runs of 3, 16, 51 and 37 yards. Quarterback Trevaul Mitchell threw two touchdown passes for the Moguls.
 Individual statistics from Friday's game with Munday were not available.
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SCORING SUMMARY
First Quarter
 Munday - Day'veon Dockins 3 run (Brady Weaver pass from Trevaul Mitchell)
 Munday - Dockins 16 run (run failed)
 Munday - Thomas 49 pass from Mitchell (Mitchell run)
 Munday - Dockins 51 run (run failed)
Second Quarter
 Munday - Dockins 37 run (run failed)
 Munday - Alex Thorn 66 pass from Mitchell (pass failed)
 Munday - Dee Hemphill 7 run (Thomas run)
Third Quarter
 Munday - Trever Swearingen 3 run (run failed)
 Munday - Swearingen 49 run (run failed)



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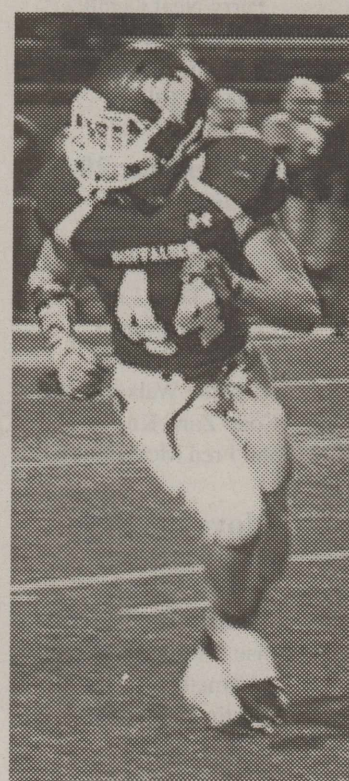
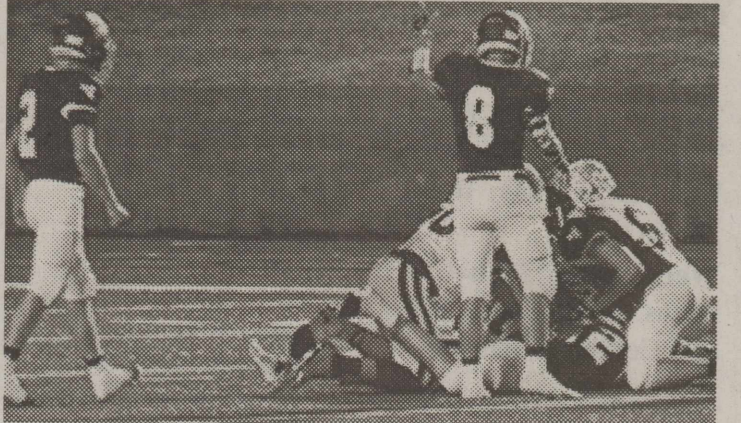
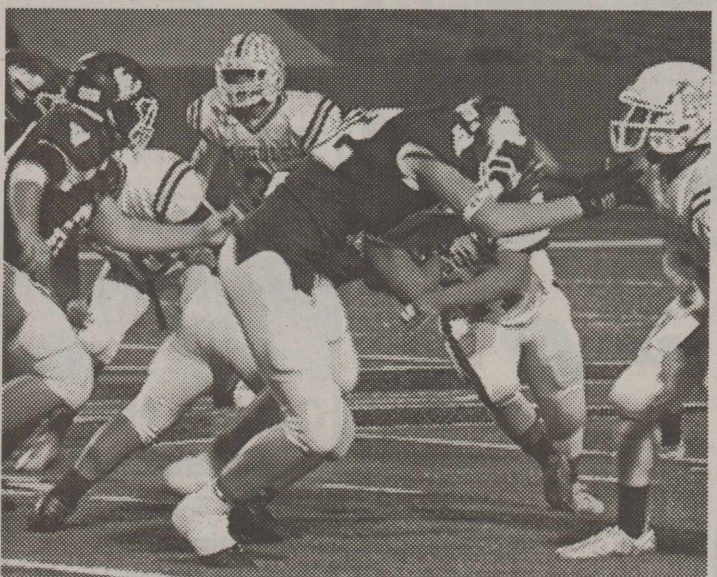
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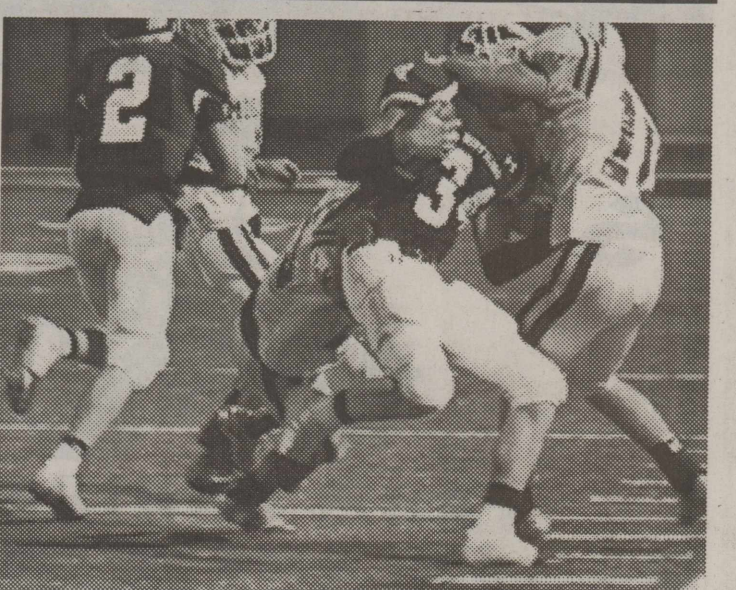
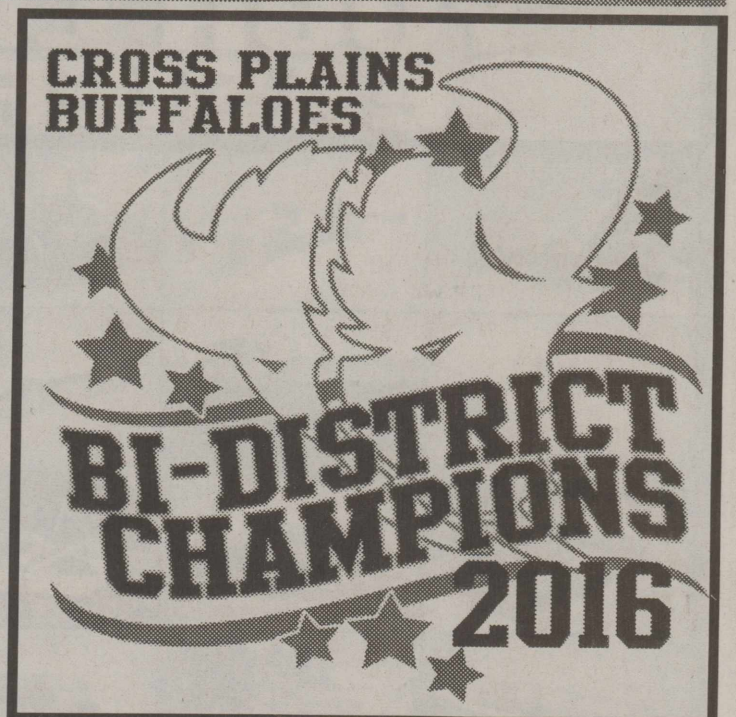
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Junior High Boys Basketball Update

The Junior High Basketball teams have been in full swing for just under a week. During that time, the JH A Team has posted a record of 5-0-1 with a 2-0 district record. The JH B Team is 0-1 in district play. The JH A Team competed in the Cross Plains Tournament November 17 - 19, and were able to win the tournament. Results are below:

JH A @ Eula 11/10/16
Cross Plains 29
Eula 23
Scoring: Hernandez 5, Thomas 6, McWilliams 10, Tillery 8

JH A @ May 11/14/16
Cross Plains 33
May 12
Scoring: Odom 6, Hernandez 7, Thomas 11, McWilliams 4, Laminack 3, Tillery 2

JH B @ May 11/14/16
Cross Plains 7
May 31
Scoring: Koenig 1, Byrd 6

JH A Tournament
Cross Plains 39
Coleman 4
Scoring: Odom 6, Horan 2, Hernandez 21, Thomas 2, McWilliams 4, Tillery 4

Cross Plains 39
Abilene Hawks 39
game ended after the first overtime due to tournament schedule

Scoring: Odom 8, Hernandez 12, Thomas 1, McWilliams 11, Laminack 5, Tillery 2

Cross Plains 31
Gorman 17
Scoring: Hernandez 14, Thomas 10, McWilliams 3, Laminack 4



The Junior High A Team Boys came in first in the Cross Plains Tournament this past Thursday, Friday and Saturday.

Cross Plains 41
Eula 24
Scoring: Odom 7, Traweck 2, Hernandez 6, Thomas 8, McWilliams 7, Laminack 5, Tillery 6

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Junior High and High School Basketball Schedule

November 28, Monday - Varsity Boys play in the Evant Junior High Girls A and B Teams and the Junior High Boys A Team play Panther Creek here, starting at 5 p.m.; Junior High Boys B Team plays Zephyr here.

November 29, Tuesday - Junior Varsity Boys and Varsity Boys play Santo there, starting at 5 p.m.; Junior Varsity Girls and Varsity Girls play Anson there, starting at 5 p.m.

December 1 - 3, Thursday - Saturday - Junior Varsity Girls and Varsity Girls play in the Albany Tournament; Varsity Boys play in the Lometa Tournament; Junior Varsity Boys play in the Gustine Tournament

December 5, Monday - Junior High Girls and Boys A Teams play in Rising Star, starting at 6 p.m.

December 6, Tuesday - Junior Varsity Girls and Boys Teams and Varsity Girls and Boys Teams play Zephyr here starting at 4 p.m.

December 8 - 10, Thursday - Saturday - Varsity Girls play in the Zephyr Tournament;

December 12, Monday - Junior High Girls and Boys A Teams play the Abilene Hawks here starting at 6 p.m.; Junior High Boys B Team plays Zephyr here.

December 13, Tuesday - Varsity Girls play Rising Star here starting at 6:30 p.m.; Junior Varsity Boys and Varsity Boys play Priddy there, starting at 4 p.m. District Game.

December 16, Friday - Varsity and Junior Varsity teams play Eula there, starting at 4 p.m. District Game.

December 19, Monday - Varsity and Junior Varsity teams play Merkel here, starting at 2 p.m.

December 20, Tuesday - Varsity and Junior Varsity teams play Roby there, starting at 4 p.m.

December 30, Friday - Varsity Girls and Junior Varsity Girls play Gorman there, starting at 1 p.m.

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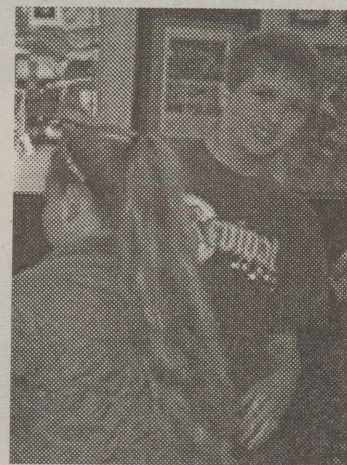
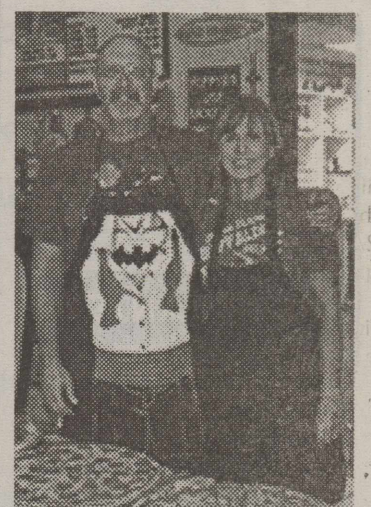
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Buffaloes Enjoy Pizza for Breakfast

The final Buffalo Breakfast of the season was held Friday morning by the Cottonwood Baptist Church at the Main Street Pool House.

The Buffaloes, Cheerleaders, Coaches, Band Members and other team supporters enjoyed pizza for breakfast.

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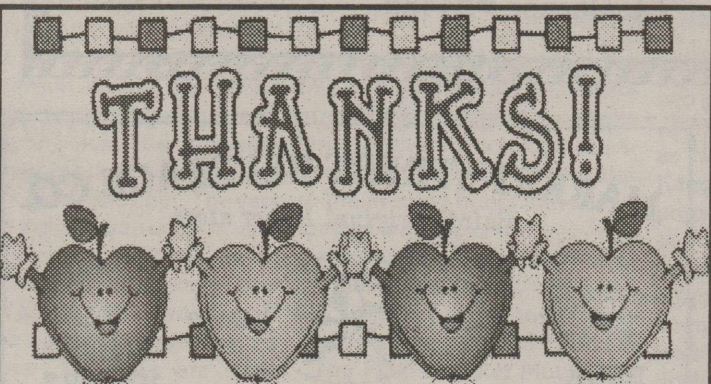
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The Junior Varsity Girls came in second in the Cross Plains Tournament.



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Submitted by Jack Larimore, junior class reporter.



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Plains Pocket Mouse

It is rare in this day and age to encounter an animal that lives in our own backyard whose life history is virtually unknown. However, there is a small rodent that calls the Panhandle of Texas its home that fits that bill.

The Plains Pocket Mouse (*Perognathus flavescens*) is a small, secretive rodent that inhabits the High Plains eco-region of Texas. Basically, it can be viewed north of a line that is drawn from the Monahans region northeast to Wichita Falls. Outside of Texas its natural range extends northward through the High Plains to southwestern Minnesota and southeastern North Dakota.

There are three members of this genus that reside in Texas, and this species is the largest. Adults are just over five inches in total length, with almost half of that being the tail. The fur is silky and soft, and the upperparts are a brown-buff and are peppered with black. The underside is colored a bright white, as are the legs, neck and chin. The ears can be almost translucent, and there is usually a lighter patch of fur directly behind them. The head is somewhat pointed, ending with numerous light colored whiskers. The eyes are large and black.

This species of *Perognathus* prefers areas with sandy soils, particularly those areas that are adorned with various species of *Opuntia*, the Prickly Pear cactus. The Plains Pocket Mouse will more often than not utilize these plants as a shelter by digging their burrows directly underneath. The placement of these burrows offer a significant amount of protection, not only predators, but also from the harsh environment that it calls home.



Plains Pocket Mouse (*Perognathus flavescens*)

One method of adaptation to this environment that this rodent employs is the ability to utilize its large eyes for nocturnal activities. It is by limiting its activities to the evening hours that allows for less water loss through high temperatures. Because it is able to remain hydrated, the need for standing water to drink is considerably lessened.

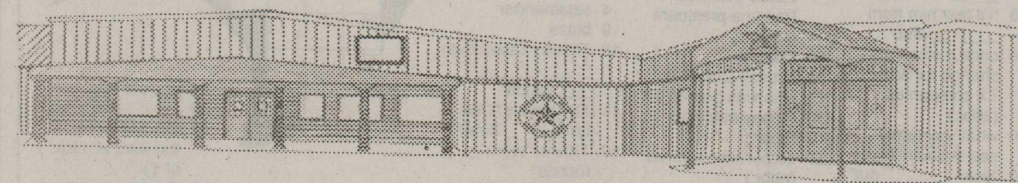
The Plains Pocket Mouse are similar to other mammals in the aspect of giving live birth to young, although there is little information that has been published in regards to its breeding habits. What data has been recorded shows that pregnant females, with four or five young, have been trapped during the summer months. However, lengths of gestation, as well as juvenile growth rates and the like, remain a mystery. While captive specimens may thrive for five years or more, most individuals probably only survive

two years in the wild. As with most other pocket mice, as well as the closely related Kangaroo Rats, this species feeds primarily on seeds, while grasses and insects are also consumed. Seeds are packed into their cheek pouches to allow for easy transference back to their burrows for later consumption. However, it does not seem to pose an issue from a financial standpoint, for even those specimens that have been found in agricultural areas with seeds in their nests or cheek pouches typically are only feeding on the seeds of nuisance plants such as weeds.

Although there is little data on the life history of this secretive rodent, the population dynamics appear to show that it is presently stable.

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Birth Announcement

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The proud parents are Dillion and Andrea Wood of Cross Plains.

Maternal grandparents are Lee and Darlene Meador of Cross Plains. Paternal grandparents are Tom and Misty Vaughn of Cisco.

Great grandparents are Edith and the late Les Sorrell of Tuscon, Az, Dub and Beth Meador of Cross Plains, June and the late Bill Wood of Cisco, and Gerry and Ginny Page of Whispering Pines, NC.

Feeding Texas thanks those for their support

Statement Attributable to Celia Cole, CEO of Feeding Texas

The holiday season is traditionally a time when our communities and the nation come together to look after our neighbors in need. On behalf of Feeding Texas, our Board of Directors, and our twenty-one member food banks, we wish to express our gratitude for this outpouring of support.

Yet hunger is a year-round phenomenon that doesn't just strike during the holidays. In fact, childhood hunger spikes in the summer (when school is out). This is why addressing hunger must be a year-round cause built on the bedrock of our nation's commitment to ending hunger.

Far too many people in this country - forty-two million, thirteen million of them children - live in households struggling with hunger. In Texas, one in six households struggles to afford food, including one in four Texas children.

This problem would be far, far worse were it not for our nation's profoundly effective and efficient anti-hunger programs: SNAP, also known as food stamps; school meals; the Child and Adult Care Food Program that pays for nutrition in child care, Head Start, afterschool programs and shelters; the summer food programs; WIC; and finally TEFAP, which provides surplus commodities to our food banks.

We give thanks for these national programs that reduce hunger and poverty, improve health and learning, improve productivity, create jobs and economic growth, and strengthen our communities.

We also give thanks to the Texas Legislature, for their support of our fresh produce program "Feeding with Impact." Through this partnership with the Texas Department of Agriculture, our food banks rescued fifty million pounds of produce last year to nourish needy Texans.

These programs help many who are struggling: seniors, children, people with disabilities, veterans and active duty military families, low-paid workers, unemployed and underemployed adults, and others.

Shortly after this holiday season ends, the new Congress and President-elect Trump will be sworn in and begin making key decisions. We call on them to recommit America to one of our most important, bipartisan and widely agreed-upon beliefs - that nobody in our nation should go hungry.

We call on them to protect the federal nutrition programs, fully fund them, and take steps to assure that all hungry people in our country have access to the nutrition they need to live a healthy, active life. We will be proud to work with them to achieve this goal.

Happy holiday season!

School Board Minutes

November 16, 2016

The Cross Plains I.S.D. Board of Trustees met in a regular meeting with the following members present: Jack Shepard, Porcius Potter, Davy Crockett, John McWilliams, Roy Richey and Bryan Bennett. Michael Cowan was absent.

The following administrators and guests were also in attendance: Supt. Phil Mitchell, H.S. Principal Brad Jones, Elem. Principal Leslie Lawrence, and Athletic Director Daniel Purvis.

Prayer was led by Brad Jones. Motion was made by McWilliams and seconded by Shepard that we approve minutes. For 5/Against 0/Abstained: Bennett

Motion was made by Bennett and seconded by Shepard that we update Policy FFA Wellness & Health Services. For 6/Against 0

Motion was made by Bennett and seconded by Crockett that we adjourn. For 6/Against 0

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The Texas History Minute

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Famed Texas writer O. Henry, pen name for William Sydney Porter

He was best known for a short pen name, "O. Henry." The man behind the stories, William Sydney Porter, was a complicated character with a sharp imagination. Porter wrote hundreds of stories in his short career and became one of the best-known short story writers of the twentieth century.

Porter was born in Greensboro, North Carolina, in 1862. His father was a doctor. His mother died of tuberculosis when he was a child. He showed a deep imagination and strong artistic talents as a child. He loved reading from an early age. As a teenager, he began working at his uncle's drugstore as a pharmacist and drew sketches of the customers in his spare time.

In 1882, he moved with a friend to South Texas to attempt to rehabilitate his shaky health, working for a time on a sheep ranch as a ranch hand and a cook. Two years later, he moved to Austin to work as a pharmacist. It was in Austin that Porter began writing.

In 1887, he married and took up a new job. Porter worked for four years at the Texas General Land Office drawing maps and took a job as an accountant at a bank in 1891. However, three years later, the bank came across several accounting errors, accused him of embezzlement, and fired him. At that point, he took up writing full time, briefly publishing his own weekly humor magazine and eventually found work with The Houston Post.

Not long after the move to Houston, federal auditors charged him with embezzlement from his former bank job. He was arrested but released on bail. He fled to New Orleans where he continued to write and took up the pen name of O. Henry after a conversation with a friend. He then fled to Honduras but returned to the United States when his wife's health collapsed. His wife died within weeks of his arrival, and he was again arrested.

The trial was held in Austin, where he was sentenced to five years in prison in 1898. Ironical-

ly, the same courthouse today is owned by the University of Texas and has been rechristened O. Henry Hall.

He was released in 1901 for good behavior. In 1902, he moved to New York where he landed a job writing weekly stories for The New York World Sunday Magazine. He would write more than 300 short stories between 1902 and his death, many known for a sudden, surprise twist at the end.

Perhaps his most famous story was "The Gift of the Magi," originally appearing in December 1905. It is the touching tale of a young couple in turn-of-the-century New York who want to get something special for each other for Christmas but have no money but have to give up something special to them to afford the gifts.

Two other stories included "The Caballero's Way," (1907) which introduced The Cisco Kid,

a character reproduced by many other authors; and "The Ransom of Red Chief," which appeared in The Saturday Evening Post in 1907 as the tale of two kidnapers who kidnap a rich, spoiled brat in hopes of ransom but end up paying the father for him to take the incorrigible child back.

His heavy drinking steadily took its toll on him. It cost him his marriage. His second wife left him in 1909. He descended further into the bottle and died in 1910 at age 47. In spite of his sad end, he was praised in later years. Schools in Garland and Austin were named for him as well as in his native Greensboro. In 1918, the prestigious O. Henry Award was established in his memory for outstanding short story writers.

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- TXism: "he's not to mess with"
- TXism: "his bark is worse than his"
- TX B.J. Thomas sang "The Eyes of ___ York Woman" (1968)
- TXism: "not worth a red"
- TX in the summer aviation regulator (abbr.)
- horny ___
- TXns have reason to be one
- In Cameron County off U.S. 77 & 83
- Fort Bliss location in TX: "Mesa"
- TXism: "independent as ___ ice"
- "I'll tear him from limb"
- once a stock exchange for some TX companies (abbr.)
- what you rarely see in south Texas
- "year ___ out"
- "___ Texas" was the first in-house drawing game
- this Biggio was maybe the best Astro ever
- a person who supports the Cowboys even when they're bad (4 wds.)
- TXism: "does a cat have ___ gear?" (yes)
- Mc___, TX
- in Scurry County on U.S. 84
- Johnson Space Center provided flight control for this NASA program
- a form of ID (abbr.)
- TXism: "never let ___ you sweat"
- there are ___ reefs in the Gulf
- TX Tech grad Lakas who was Panama president (init.)
- "flash in ___"
- actress Crawford who was born in TX
- money machine (abbr.)
- corporation ramrod (abbr.)
- this Robinson wrote the Mars trilogy (init.)
- TX Tech grad Lakas who was Panama president (init.)
- salamander
- blaze
- TXism: "faster than ___ rabbit"
- TX Tanya's "One Love ___ Time"
- TXism: "worn ___ frazzle"
- TXism: "dull as week-___"
- TX Belle Starr's first name
- So. Padre Island attraction
- TXism: "ring tooter"
- TX Roy Orbison's "___ Pretty Woman"
- ___dahl
- TX historian: "___ Fehrenbach"
- capable of 37 "per ___"
- nuclear info. org. 39 "___ and fauna"
- this Shivers was the 33rd Lt. Gov. of TX
- Gussie ___ Davis founded the Rangerettes dance team
- TX Larry Hagman's mother Mary (init.)
- TXism: "___ dice"
- in Bexar County on highway 16
- TXism: "fits like sardines in ___"
- TX Vikki Carr album: "Cosas del ___"

DOWN

- film of TX-born Ann Harding "Biography of ___" (1935)
- in Wood County on U.S. 69 & 80
- TXism: "hard as putting up ___ ___ windstorm"
- Carter started the Fort Worth Star-Telegram
- Yo Lo ___ Creek
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- coach Landry
- TX Buddy Holly song: "Have ___"
- Chinese surname
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County Commissioners approve law enforcement body camera policy

The Callahan County Commissioners' Court approved one policy concerning the use of body cameras that the Callahan County law enforcement officers will be issued during the commissioners' court regular monthly meeting held Monday, November 14th at the County Courthouse in Baird.

Chief Deputy Rick Jowers presented to the commissioners' court two policies concerning the use of body cameras by law enforcement officers. The policies were both reviewed by the County Attorney Shane Deel and given his approval.

After the commissioners' court reviewed the policies, Commissioner Bryan Farmer made a motion to approve the Option #2 policy. Commissioner Cliff Kirkham seconded the motion and the motion carried with an unanimous 5-0 vote.

Other agenda items brought before the commissioners' court included:

—The Meeting of the Commissioners' Court was called to order by Judge Com at 9:30 a.m., with the following officers present to wit: Roger Corn, County Judge; 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 and ex-Officio of Commissioners Court. Also present at the meeting were: Sheriff Terry Joy, Chief Deputy Rick Jowers, Julie Lemons with the Sheriff's Department, Kevin Scott with KBL Restoration, Gary Berry, Kathy McLaury, and Scott Kniffen.

—The minutes from the

previous commissioners' court meetings were reviewed and signed.

—There was no public comments.

—Kathy McLaury and Gary Berry came before the commissioners' court to discuss the condition of County Road 531. The road is located in Commissioner Cliff Kirkham's Precinct #4. No action was taken.

—No action was taken on the Countywide Burn Ban. The Burn Ban remains lifted.

—Kevin Scott with KBL Restoration reported on the progress of the County Courthouse repairs. He gave updates on the installation of the window and the window shades and that all windows should be installed by the end of December. Commissioner Hicks made a motion to approve the report and Commissioner Windham seconded the motion. The motion passed with a 5-0 vote.

—Sheriff Joy presented the Sheriff's report and Treasurer Jan Windham presented the overtime report. After discussion of both reports, Commissioner Farmer made a motion to approve the Sheriff's report and the overtime report. Commissioner Kirkham seconded the motion and the motion carried with a 5-0 vote.

—Commissioner Kirkham made a motion to approve the application for the NRA Grant for weapons for the Sheriff's Department. Commissioner Windham seconded the motion and the motion carried with a 5-0 vote.

—Commissioner Hicks made a motion to purchase a new vehicle with grant money from the Criminal Justice System.

Commissioner Hicks seconded the motion, and the motion carried with a 5-0 vote.

—Sam Goldsmith with Goldsmith Solutions updated the commissioners' court on the electrical design changes.

A proposal was sent by Baird, Hampton & Brown Inc., Engineering & Surveying to the commissioners' court to be signed by the Judge.

A couple of changes were requested by Mr. Goldsmith and the commissioners' court. A new proposal is to be sent to the Judge. Commissioner Windham made a motion to approve the design changes with the changes to be proposal. Commissioner Hicks seconded the motion. The motion carried with a vote of 5-0.

—No action was taken on the agenda item Courthouse Restoration Change Orders.

—Commissioner Windham made a motion to amend the 2016-2017 budget by moving FEMA money and allowing the treasurer to move future FEMA payments. Commissioner Farmer seconded the motion. The motion passed with a 5-0 vote.

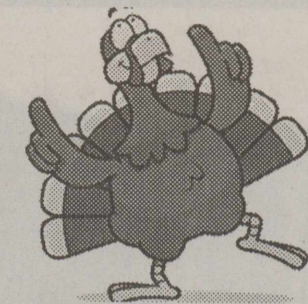
—Commissioner Hicks made a motion to approve the Treasurer's Report. Commissioner Kirkham seconded the motion and the motion passed with a 5-0 vote.

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

—Commissioner Hicks made a motion to adjourn the commissioners' court meeting at 10:21 a.m. Commissioner Windham seconded the motion and the motion carried with an unanimous 5-0 vote.



Callahan County Firefighters - The Callahan County Firefighters Association met in Oplin on November 5th for their regular monthly meeting. From left to right: Rickey Carouth, Cross Plains VFD; Travis Hudspeth, Eula VFD and President of the Association; Rebecca Smith, Clyde VFD; Mike McClure, Eula VFD; Josh Loftis, Cross Plains VFD; Faun and Robert Wheeler, Hamby VFD and Doug Campbell, Oplin VFD.



Happy Thanksgiving

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A Texas Thanksgiving

by U.S. Sen. John Cornyn, R-Texas

Thanksgiving is near, and the story of buckle-hatted pilgrims breaking bread with Native Americans in Plymouth, Mass. is being told all across America.

That is, except for here in the Lone Star State, where some Texans swear we did it first.

As the story goes, Spanish explorer Juan de Onate and his men pioneered the Thanksgiving tradition before the Mayflower even hit the shores of Cape Cod. In April 1598, 23 years before those storied pilgrims sat down to feast in New England, Juan de Onate ordered a day of thanks for survival after a treacherous journey. His expedition's arrival at the Rio Grande broke a five day drought, and to give thanks, the Spaniards shared

their game with the local natives, who brought fish, and they feasted together in thanks for the earth's blessings in San Elizario, near El Paso.

A second Texas claim to the first Thanksgiving goes even further back in the 16th century. The expedition of Francisco Vazquez de Coronado is said to have feasted with thanks in Palo Duro Canyon in May 1541. However, since records say pecans and grapes were gathered for this feast, and neither naturally grow near Palo Duro Canyon, some doubt this story's accuracy, or at least its location.

Our state's ties to modern-day Thanksgiving are more clear, and center around the best part of Thanksgiving dinner: the pie. Texas farmers supply bakers across the country with

60 million pounds of pecans to fill their crusts each year, and don't forget that Pumpkin Capital, USA is just northeast of Lubbock in Floydada, Texas.

We certainly can't talk about Thanksgiving without paying homage to Texas' biggest game bird. After all, the turkey has lent its name to Turkey Peak, Turkey Mountain, and most notably, the city of Turkey, Texas located in the Panhandle. After nearing extinction in the late 19th century, Texas' turkey population today is again alive and well. Three native species roam across the Lone Star State -- the Rio Grande, the Eastern, and the Merriam -- and about 20,000 Texas turkeys will be hunted and served fresh at the hunter's Thanksgiving table.

But of course, the most Texan thing on our proverbial plate

this Thanksgiving won't be the turkey or the pie, but the annual tradition of giving thanks and giving back.

This year to celebrate our many blessings, Texans have an abundance of opportunities. Whether you help prepare meals for the needy at one of HEB's annual Feasts of Sharing in 21 cities across Texas, serve more than 25,000 seniors at the annual Raul Jimenez Thanksgiving Dinner in San Antonio, participate in a holiday food drive, run in a turkey trot fun run to support a local cause, or simply give thanks for those at your table, please remember the spirit of Thanksgiving - no matter where it began.

Senator John Cornyn, a Republican from Texas, is a member of the Senate Judiciary and Finance Committees.

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Cross Plains Area First Graders Given Free Prevent Tooth Decay Kits by Local Masons

All first graders at three local elementary schools were recently given free prevent tooth decay kits through the Fantastic Teeth Fan Club. Members of Cross Plains Masonic Lodge, led by Richard Aaron, assembled and delivered more than 60 dental hygiene kits to first graders at Ross Plains Elementary, May Elementary, and Rising Star Elementary schools.

The Fantastic Teeth Fan Club, sponsored by Masonic Home and School of Texas (MHS), strives to prevent suffering from toothaches, reduce missed school days due to dental problems, and cut costs for dental treatment.

Prevent tooth decay kits contain: a toothbrush, toothpaste, dental floss, healthy teeth sticker, two-minute timer (optimal brushing time), Tips for Healthy Teeth educational information for parents in both Spanish and English, and a summary of MHS services. Last year, Texas Masonic lodges partnered with MHS to distribute 125,738 Fantastic Teeth Fan Club dental kits and information to first graders in 1,447 schools across the state.

According to Oral Health In America: A Report of the Surgeon General, tooth decay

is the single most common chronic childhood disease—five times more common than asthma and seven times more common than hay fever. Poor children are affected by this epidemic more frequently than other children, with nearly 12 times more restricted-activity days due to dental issues than children from higher-income families. With more than 1.5 million Texas children living in poverty, there is a great need for preventive dental care.

Dental problems also directly affect success for children, with more than 51 million school hours lost each year to dental-related illness. Teachers have judged both classroom performance and classroom behavior to be significantly poorer among children in need of dental care. Pain and suffering due to untreated dental disease can also lead to problems in eating and speaking.

Masonic Home and School of Texas is a non-profit organization with a history of helping children across Texas for more than 100 years. Contact MHS by calling toll-free 1.877.203.9111; sending an email to info@mhstx.org; or by visiting the website, www.mhstx.org.

66 Years Ago Sept 29, 1950

From the Cross Plains Review... 66 years ago, September 29, 1950.

The Burkett School Faculty for 1950-51 school year: Barney Popnoe, Mrs. Adelle Adams, Mrs. Ralph W. McNeel, Mrs. Verda Brown, Mrs. J. W. Taylor, Miss Belle Henderson, Mrs. J. C. Bowden and W. R. Chambers - Superintendent.

Roy Sykes has accepted a position with Citizens National Bank in Abilene.

Cross Plains Buffaloes have played Aspermont and DeLeon this season and will play: Bangs, Gorman, Santa Anna, Early, May, Rising Star, Blanket and Baird, ending the regular season on November 23rd.

Neal Dillard has bought an oil field spudder.

Forrest "Moony" Scott has been called to active duty with the Field Artillery. He is a veteran of World War II.

Four local students are attending Abilene Christian College: Billy Mac Coppinger, Lois Marie Havens, James Mackey Paige and Stanley Edward Paige.

Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Simpson of Rising Star have bought the laundry on South Main Street. Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Green are the former owners.

Miss Missouri Strahan moves a house into town. The house is located just north of her home on North Avenue D.

What Are You Reading?

by the Bookworms



This one is for all you western fans. "The Gun" by Lyle Brandt is a new title that came into the library in September.

Matt Price is a gun-for-hire and very cool-headed, so he has stayed alive to this date. He gets a note for HELP from a female friend Anabelle, whom he has not seen for 12 years. Anabelle is now married with a son and her husband is in a wheel chair, crippled by a gunshot to his back because he stood up to a man named Rankin who owns most of the town - and the marshal.

Rankin and his "boys" are terrorizing the locals; Rankin wants their land and if they do not agree with his offers and terms they find their lives threatened or, as Matt discovers after arriving in Purgatory, TX, their resistance could cause them to die in a fire during the night. Rankin's "boys" try to sneak up to Matt's room at the hotel to kill him, but they all are killed by Matt. Matt refuses to get to work for Rankin, so Rankin, through his contacts, finds another "shooter" like Matt who has a score to settle.

I think the dialog between the two "shooters" as they arrange a showdown shows their respect for each other as they discuss what will take place. Rankin hedges his bets and gets citizens of Purgatory who are with his ideas to buy everyone out and set a trap for whichever "shooter" survives. The final shootout is very detailed.

Oh Yes! I forgot to mention that Anabelle's son is 11 years old and Matt's son!

You can find "The Gun" in the large print section of your local Cross Plains Public Library.

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Moviegoers enjoyed Cross Plains Public Library's viewing of "Watership Down" last Thursday as part of their Book-to-Movie series. After watching the film, everyone gathered at Jean's Feed Barn for a discussion about the book and movie, led by Linda Burns. These events are made possible by a grant from the Institute of Museum and Library Services and the Texas State Library and Archives Commission.

Join us January 19, 2017 for Bob Hinkle's book "Call Me Lucky: A Texan in Hollywood" for a special Book-to-Author edition. Hinkle will be guest speaker at a fundraising dinner for the library on Saturday, Jan.21, 2017. Books will be available at the library next week.

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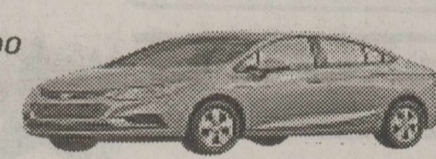
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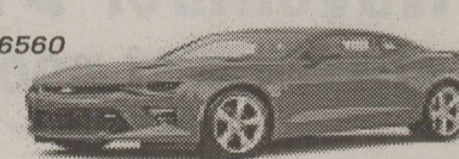
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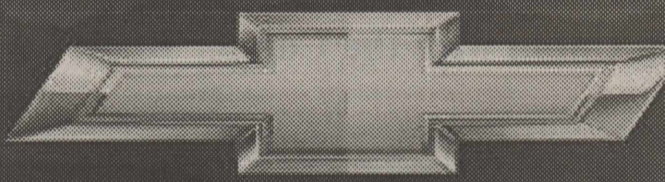
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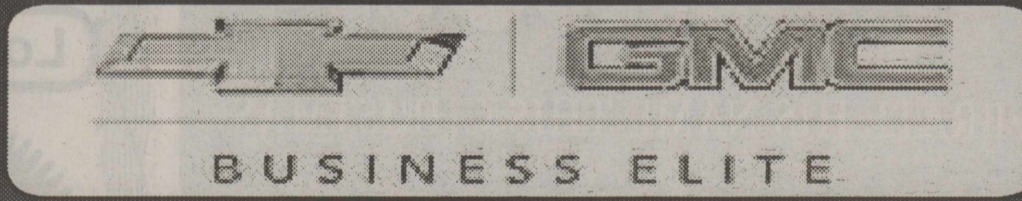
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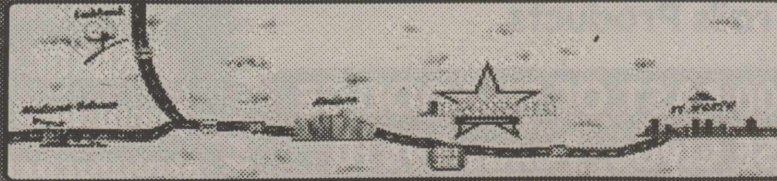
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AUSTIN - As Texans prepare for the Thanksgiving holiday, the Texas Department of Public Safety (DPS) offers tips for safe travel and calls on residents to celebrate responsibly.

"The Thanksgiving weekend invariably means increased traffic on roadways, and DPS is reminding Texans that we all have a responsibility to help make the roads safe for everyone," said DPS Director Steven McCraw. "Our Troopers will be on the lookout for dangerous drivers who disregard the law - at the same time, we urge drivers to use extra caution while traveling and to always drive sober."

DPS troopers will be patrolling Texas around-the-clock during the holiday weekend looking for drunk drivers, speeders, seat belt violators and other drivers who are endangering themselves and others.

During the Thanksgiving weekend in 2015, DPS troopers issued 28,835 traffic citations and warnings for a variety of violations, including speeding, no insurance and seat belt/child safety seat usage. DPS patrols also resulted in 219 driving while intoxicated arrests, 127

fugitive arrests and 94 felony arrests during the same time period.

DPS offers the following tips for safe travel during the Thanksgiving holiday:

Don't drink and drive. Designate a driver or take a cab.
Slow down - especially in bad weather, construction areas and heavy traffic.

Eliminate distractions, including the use of mobile devices.

Buckle up everyone in the vehicle - it's the law.

Slow down or move over for police, fire, EMS and Texas Department of Transportation vehicles and tow trucks that are stopped on the side of the road with emergency lights activated - it's the law. Also, show the same courtesy to fellow drivers stopped along the road if it is safe to do so.

Don't drive fatigued - get plenty of rest before trips or take breaks as needed.

Drive defensively, as holiday travel may present additional challenges.

Make sure your vehicle is properly maintained before your trip begins.

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Dispatch Statistics Report October 2016		DOA		Livestock Out	
No Selection	7	Domestic	1	Loud Music	1
Accident	1	Escort	7	Noise Complaint	3
Animal Control A/C	3	Fire	3	Reckless Driver	2
Lift Assist	1	Forgery	1	Request Officer	8
Reckless Driver	1	Livestock Out	12	Road Hazard	3
Structure Fire	1	Medical/EMS	1	Stolen Vehicle	2
		Noise Complaint	1	Structure Fire	1
		Prowler	1	Suicidal Subject/Suicide	2
		Public Service	1	Suspicious Activity	5
		Request Officer	4	Suspicious Vehicle/Person	5
		Road Hazard	2	Theft	8
		Stolen Vehicle	2	Threats	1
		Structure Fire	1	Traffic Stop	5
		Suspicious Activity	4	Traffic Stop	1
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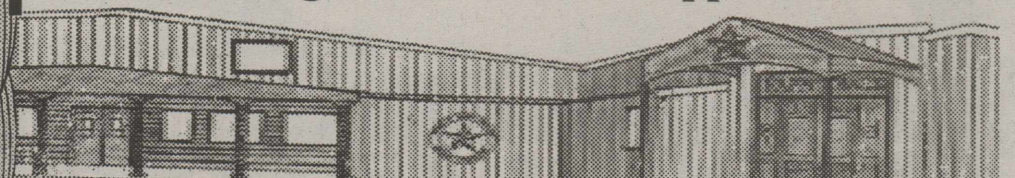
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