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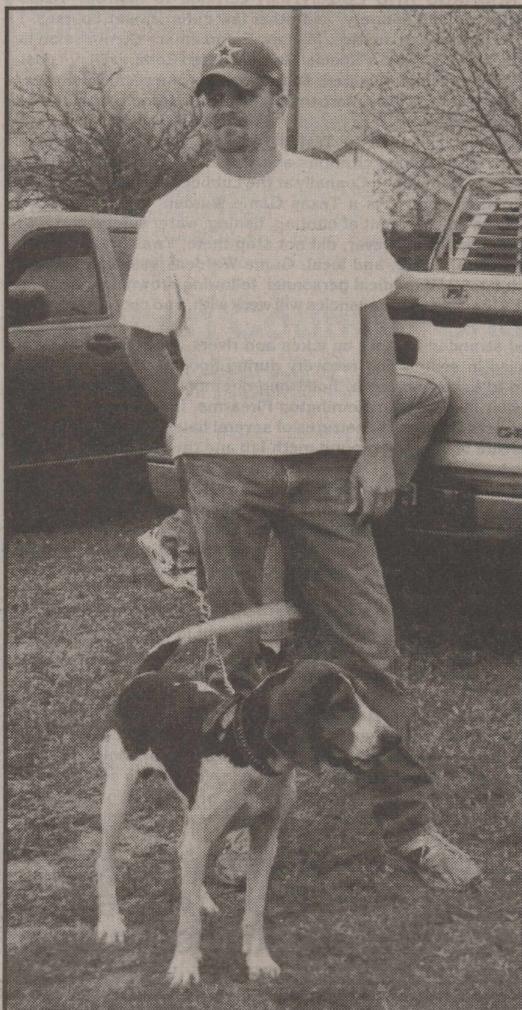


A Community of Faith,
Hope and Pride

101st YEAR

CROSS PLAINS, CALLAHAN COUNTY, TEXAS 76443

NUMBER 5



Champion Male — Brent Paxton of Cross Plains showing Lori Paxton's Dog, Louie. Louie won Champion Male at the bench show at the Battle Creek Coonhunter's event. See additional pictures from the Coonhunt Event on page 10.



Best of Show — Mike Rogers of Stephenville with Ramrod (left to right) and Bubby Girl. Ramond took "Best of Show" Male and Bubby Girl was named "Best of Leopard Female" at the Battle Creek Coonhunters hunt last Saturday.

Services were Held for Mike McClure Saturday, April 7th

Mike McClure, age 73, passed away at his home in Cross Plains on Thursday, April 5, 2012. Funeral services were held at 2:00 p.m. Saturday, April 7th at First Baptist Church in Cross Plains with Ronnie White officiating. Burial followed in the Pioneer Cemetery.

Mike was born on January 23, 1939 to W.T. and Bertha (Zimmerman) McClure in Abilene. He was a graduate of Cross Plains High School and graduated from Howard Payne University. He served in the U.S. Army during the Korean War. Mike married Robbi Eppard on December 21, 1991 in Cross Plains.

He was a local businessman, owned and operated Mike's Wrecking and Automotive for

over 30 years. He served as the Rural Fire Chief with the Cross Plains Volunteer Fire Department and as City Judge. His passion in later years was classic car restoration and participating in Classic Car Shows. He was a member of the First Baptist Church of Cross Plains.

He is survived by his wife Robbi McClure of the home; daughters Candice Eppard of Morgan UT, Keali Mullins of Abilene, Kandy Sunderman of Kansas, Susie Burney; a son Michael Eppard; grandson Mike McClure III and numerous other grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents, one sister, Sidney Easterling and a half-brother, Vic McClure.

Texas Heritage Bank Announces Promotion

Boerne, Texas - The Board of Directors of Texas Heritage Bank have announced the following promotion:

Sandra Jones has been promoted to Vice President. Ms. Jones has been with Texas Heritage Bank for over 22 years. She serves in the Cross Plains office as Loan Officer and as the Bank's Compliance Officer. David Estes, Cross Plains Banking Office President said, "We are excited about this recognition of Sandra's very competent service as a lender and in her work in the regulatory compliance area of the Bank. She is very well respected in our community and is an important member of our bank management team."

Texas Heritage Bank is the only locally owned, locally managed independent community bank headquartered in Boerne, Kendall County, Texas. The bank was originally chartered in 1931 in Cross Plains, Texas and now has three offices in Boerne, Leon Springs and Cross Plains.

Callahan County Tea Party Meeting Set for April 12th

Chris Younts, candidate for US Congressional District 11 Representative, (does not include Taylor County), will be in Clyde April 12th, 7:00 p.m. speaking at the Callahan County Tea Party meeting.

Chris is making his second run against the incumbent, Congressman Mike Conaway of Midland. Chris is a former firefighter, currently engaged in ranching and insurance business in San Angelo. If elected he will deliver bold, conservative, balanced budget

message to Washington DC. Chris favors term limits.

All are invited to come here to hear his plan on Thursday, April 12, 7:00 p.m., South 4th Street and Austin in Clyde, Texas. For further information, contact us at (325) 893-1457.

Cross Plains Public Library Chosen for Pilot Project and Awarded \$2,500 Grant

The Cross Plains Public Library has been chosen as one of twenty libraries in the country to participate in phase one of *Pushing the Limits: Building Capacity to Enhance Public Understanding of Math and Science Through Rural Libraries*. This program is funded by the National Science Foundation and is designed to strengthen adult science programming and resources in small and rural public libraries and to enhance public interest and involvement in STEM topics—science, technology, engineering and math.

It is the work of a unique team of library professionals, scientists and filmmakers from Dartmouth College, The Association for Rural and Small Libraries, The

Califa Group, Dawson Media Group and Oregon State University.

Since the beginning of time, humans have imagined and achieved ways to push the boundaries of the physical world. We want to be stronger, smarter and more aware, and we create stories to bring those dreams to life. But many of those stories are no longer just stories; and with great new advances in science and technology, we are finding ways in which all of us are able to push the limits every day.

The "Pushing the Limits" public programs will explore these ideas through a discussion led by a STEM professional and the local librarian, using a blended science cafe and book club model that integrates

feature film quality videos and a recommended (popular) book reading. The overarching theme is one of real people, real stories and real science. Each library chosen needed to provide a local project scholar, and Cross Plains Public Library's ex-officio board member Dr. Charles Rodenberger graciously agreed to serve in that capacity.

As one of the pilot sites, Cross Plains Public Library will receive a grant of \$2,500 and the necessary program materials for the project. In addition, library director Linda Burns will travel to Oregon for on-site training in October of 2012. The project will kick-off shortly thereafter.

Submitted by
Michelle Kaiser

The Brown Foundation, Inc. Supports Space Exhibit

The Cross Plains Public Library is pleased to announce that The Brown Foundation, Inc. has lent their support for the traveling *Columbia Shuttle Tire and Space Exhibit* which is now under construction. The Foundation has purchased these titles for the exhibit: *Asteroids, Comments and Meteors: Become a Space Explorer; Earth and Mars: Become a Space Explorer; Sun and Moon: Become a Space Explorer; There's No Place Like Space!: All About Our Solar System; Astronomical Observations: Astronomy and the Study of Deep Space; Atomic Universe: Quest to Discover Radioactivity; Cool Science: Genetic Engineering; Disney Wonderful World of*

Thermodynamics; Milky Way and Beyond: Stars, Nebulae, and Other Galaxies; Once Upon a Starry Night: Book of Constellations; Planet Gods: Myths and Facts About the Solar System; Planet Library: Planet Earth; Saturn; Space Innovations: Space Explorations; Space Innovations: Robot Explorers; Unmanned Space Missions and Worlds Beyond: The Sun.

In addition these DK Eyewitness Books have been donated: *Space Exploration; Chemistry; Universe; Science; Electricity; Robot; Weather; and Astronomy.*

Last month, The Brown Foundation, Inc. awarded \$2,000 to the Cross Plains Public Library for their 2012 Summer Reading

Program. These funds will provide guest programs and field trips for the children that the library previously could not afford.

At present, the shuttle tire is on loan from NASA for three years, but may be extended for another three years to visit more locations. When the exhibit is dismantled—at the end of our shuttle tire loan period—these books will become part of the library's collection. Interested libraries, schools and museums that would like the exhibit to visit in 2013, should contact the library at 254-725-7722 or Michelle Kaiser at crossplainsexhibit@gmail.com.

Submitted by
Michelle Kaiser

Local Resident Frances Thornton Submits Winning Postal Cancellation Design

Project Pride is proud to announce that Frances Thornton is the winner of the contest for the postal cancellation to be used at the local station on Friday, June 8, 2012 in conjunction with the annual Robert E. Howard Days. Her design incorporated the theme of this year's celebration of the 80th birthday of the Conan character created by Howard.

Winning designs in the past have been submitted by illustrators from as far away as France and as local as Calvin Champion, who created the very first design years ago. What a thrill it was to be able to contact Frances with such good news.

Submitted by
Arlene Stephenson

Cross Plains Review
Deadlines
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Texas
Heritage
Bank

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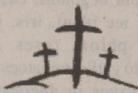
COTTONWOOD BAPTIST CHURCH

Sunday School.....9:45 AM
 Morning Worship.....11:00 AM
 Evening Service.....6:00 PM
 Wednesday Bible Study & Prayer Time.....7:00 PM

David Braun, Pastor
 Church (254) 725-6266 Bible Teaching
 Friendly Church

Triple Cross Cowboy Church

Every Sunday at 10:30 am
 Services held at 18071 CR 421, Cross Plains
 (1/2 mile North of Cross Plains city limits on Hwy 206)



Al Taylor, Preacher
 Phone: 254-725-7522
 Cell Phone: 325-370-6680

Living Water Ministries Fellowship

Restoring And Equipping The Saints

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

Pastor Max Evans

For Information Call (254) 725-7418

Rowden Baptist Church

Pastor: Wayne Lenz

Music: Karen Lenz & Diane Woods

Bible Study...10:00 am

Sunday Morning Worship...11:00 am

2990 Highway 36 at Rowden 12 Miles West of Cross Plains

Pioneer Baptist Church

Pastor: Dwaine Clowers Music Director: Barbara Jo Medley

Sunday School.....10:00am
 Sunday Morning Worship.....11:00am
 Sunday Evening Worship.....6:00pm
 Wednesday Prayer Service.....7:00pm



First United Methodist Church

Kevin Morton, Pastor

Office 725-7377 Cell 325-220-1717
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Thank You GOD for the Generous Rainfall!

Political Calendar

The Cross Plains Review is authorized to publish the following political announcements for the office filings in the Republican Primary Election set for Tuesday, May 29, 2012.

For Callahan County Sheriff Terry Joy

Political advertisement paid by The Terry Joy for Sheriff Campaign, Lenora Joy-Treasurer, 525 Stella, Baird, Texas 79504.

John Windham

Political advertisement paid for by John Windham Campaign, Donna Whitlock, Treasurer.

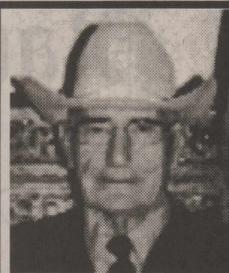
All political calendar advertising for the Tuesday, May 29, 2012 Republican Primary Election is payable in advance, at a cost of \$100.00. A free press release and photograph will be published one time with each announcement.

Give the gift that will last all year long!



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 116 S.E. 1st Street



TERRY JOY

Terry Joy, Candidate for Callahan County Sheriff Experienced & Qualified!

Each election year in the State of Texas, when Sheriff is on the ballot, an individual is often elected to the Office who is from a field of law enforcement, other than a Sheriff's Office.

In the Texas Hill Country, alone, the Mason County Sheriff was a Coleman County Game Warden. In the Brownwood District when I was Captain of that District; the Llano County Sheriff and I were Game Warden partners when I was stationed there. The

Gillespie County Sheriff was a Game Warden in that county before being elected Sheriff. Each of these is up for re-election and none has an opponent. I believe this speaks to the ability of a Game Warden to assume the responsibilities of Sheriff and to uphold and enforce the laws of the office.

CITIZENS OF CALLAHAN COUNTY, I have over 36 years of law enforcement experience; I am a Master Commissioned Peace Officer; I am TEXAS COMMISSION ON LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER STANDARDS AND EDUCATION certified to instruct Texas Peace Officers in firearms proficiency, field sobriety, and other law enforcement courses. I hold a Bachelor of Science Degree in Criminal Justice. My Law Enforcement Commission is current; I qualify annually with my firearm; I hold a Special Game Warden Commission; I post a Surety Bond and take TCLEOSE courses as required. During my law enforcement career, I have experienced almost every aspect of the law enforcement spectrum, from issuing traffic citations to assisting in murder investigations.

As a Lubbock Police Officer, I was assigned to Traffic Accident Investigation, some accidents involved a fatality. I patrolled, issued citations and worked traffic control. Also, during that time, I was selected to meet Gov. John Connally at the Lubbock Airport and escort him to the Texas Tech-Texas football game. As a Texas Game Warden, my primary law enforcement responsibilities were the enforcement of hunting, fishing, water safety, and BWI Laws. My involvement in law enforcement, however, did not stop there, I was involved with all Law Enforcement Agencies, federal, state, and local. Game Wardens assist in fighting fires, and are often involved with EMS and medical personnel following drownings, hunting accidents, and other emergencies. Each of these agencies will work with, and coordinate with, the other agencies.

As a Game Warden, I assisted stranded boaters on lakes and rivers, recovered bodies of drowning victims. I was involved in search and recovery during floods, and investigated hunting accidents that resulted in injury or death. Following one hunting accident, I was called to Florida to testify in a suit filed against Remington Firearms. I made and assisted in many drug arrests, such as arrests that lead to seizures of several bales of marijuana, and one in particular, lead to the seizure of an underground meth-lab and the confiscation of the property on which it was located.

I assisted with tracking and re-arrest of jail escapees, assisted with road blocks and field searches; I knew every back road, and farm and ranch and I was entrusted with a key to every gate in the county. I participated in undercover assignments with DPS Intelligence Units, one of those resulting in the breaking of an illegal fish smuggling scheme. On occasion I worked Lake LBJ when president Lyndon Johnson's Secret Service patrolled the lake while providing security for his lakehouse.

I enjoyed the Public Relations aspect of being a Game Warden, I was frequently asked to speak before Civic Organizations and school groups. I participated in promoting The Texas Parks and Wildlife Department at Jobs Fairs and Wildlife expos.

Some events that highlighted my Game Warden Career were: being selected Texas Game Warden of the Year, the year that TPWD was in charge of security at the San Jacinto Battleground ceremony when President George H.W. Bush participated, the years that Nolan Ryan served on the TPWD Commission, and when I was selected as a District Supervisor.

As a PS to my Game Warden Career, during the time that I was a high school substitute teacher, when lessons were completed and if time allowed, I enjoyed relating some of "my interesting game warden stories" to the classes. I was pleased to see several of the young people show an interest in becoming a Game Warden or entering law enforcement in another field.

CITIZENS OF CALLAHAN COUNTY, VOTE FOR TERRY JOY, EXPERIENCED AND QUALIFIED, TO BE YOUR "FULL-TIME, ON-CALL" SHERIFF!

Political Ad paid for by Terry Joy for Call County Sheriff, Lenora Joy-Treasurer, 525 Stella, Baird, Texas 79504

Courthouse News

Callahan County Court Roger Corn, Presiding

Misdemeanor Filings

Robert W. Mendez, theft by check.
 Michael D. Webb, theft by check.
 Jessica S. Wilson, theft by check.
 Mark Manning, assault.
 Patsy Jo Dugan, possession of marijuana.
 Mystee L. Schouwald, possession of marijuana.
 Mark Manning, assault - family violence.

Marriage Licenses

James Robert Cozart and Kellie Renee Draper, both of Baird.
 David Alex Fierro of Madison, Wisconsin and Theresa Marie Miner of West Covina, California.

42nd DISTRICT COURT John Weeks, presiding

Callahan County DPS Report

Calls received by the Callahan County Department of Public Safety from March 31, 2012 through April 6, 2012 include:

Cases Investigated
 Warnings—188
 Complaints—71
 Fugitive Arrest-Bail Jumping—1
 Driving While License Suspended—4
 DUI Minor—1
 Vehicle Accidents

There were two vehicle accidents investigated during this time span.

Criminal Minutes

Derrell W. Gibson, motion to dismiss to engaging in organized criminal activity granted for plea to other case.

Linda M. Goosen, plea of guilty to unlawful possession of food stamps, 5 year probation, \$1000 fine, \$344 court costs, \$2343.82 restitution.

Clifton D. Perry, plea of guilty to burglary of a building, 1 year in prison, \$399 court costs.

Joshua R. Gil, plea of guilty to evading arrest, 4 year probation, \$1000 fine, \$294 court costs.

Michelle Mues, plea of guilty to credit card abuse, 4 year probation, \$1000 fine, \$339 court costs, \$961.46 restitution.

Johnathan C. Harris, order discharging defendant from

probation (no deferred adjudication).

Civil Minutes

Letitia Ann Tatum, independent administratrix with will annexed of the estate of Emma Louis Brigham vs. Lyman Brigham, order to dismiss with prejudice granted.

Holly Elizabeth Chiappone and Abraham Lee Chiappone, divorce granted.

Heather Lynn McKinney and Billy Jack McKinney, divorce granted.

Attention: Notice

Billie Jo Parker is not the Billie D. Parker in the courthouse records.

First Baptist Church

Sunday School

Sunday 9:30 am Sunday Morning Worship 10:45 am
 Sunday Evening Worship 6:30 pm

Wednesday

6:30 pm Prayer/Worship
 Youth Bible Study 6:30 pm
 Children's Activities 6:30 pm

Ronnie B. White, Pastor

(254) 725-7629 3rd & Main, Cross Plains, TX 76443
www.firstbaptistcp.com

School Board Meeting

A called meeting of the Board of the Cross Plains I.S.D. will be held on Wednesday, April 11, 2012, 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:

CALLED MEETING
April 11, 2012 (8:00 p.m.)

Call Meeting to Order

1. Interview Elementary Principal Applicants—
No Action Will be Taken
2. Adjourn.

This notice was posted in compliance with the Open Meetings Act on April 5, 2012, at 3:00 p.m. by Phil Mitchell for the Board of Trustees.

We Need Your Vote

Cross Plains High School senior Zoie Walker has won \$1,000 in the first round of the State Farm Texas Scholar Award Scholarship. She was picked out of over 1,500 Texas senior students and is now eligible to complete for the grand prize of \$10,000.

This scholarship recognizes outstanding high school seniors across Texas who are very involved in all University of Interscholastic League competitions—both academic and athletic. This scholarship also strives to recognize students who possess the positive characteristics that are embodied in Texas youth such as community, leadership and team spirit.

Winners must demonstrate a

commitment to achieving excellence in their academics while maintaining an active profile in co-curricular and extra-curricular activities in their schools and communities.

Zoie needs your help as well! Please go to www.texasscholaraward.com to read Zoie's profile and vote for her. Your vote will not only help show your support for Zoie, it will also show your support for her school and teachers.

Be sure to vote as often as you want. All you have to do is leave the site and come back, and you are able to vote again. Please vote for Zoie and vote often.

If you have any questions, please contact Cross Plains High School Counselor Debbie Mitchell at 254-725-6121 ext. 224.

Leifton Hunter Scholarship Available to Essay Winner

The Leifton Hunter Scholarship Fund was established by Leonard Wilson in memory of Leifton Hunter, a 1998 graduate of Cross Plains High School. A graduating senior will be awarded a \$250.00 scholarship to assist with tuition, books and/or fees to further his or her education.

United States in 2012 and I am most hopeful/pessimistic about..."

- C. Describe a challenge that you have successfully overcome and how it has affected your life. What challenges do you anticipate facing after your graduation?

Requirement:

1. The scholarship is open to any graduating senior who has enrolled or plans to enroll in a college, university, vocational or technical school.
2. Please write a one-page essay about one of the following topics:
 - A. Explain how a particular individual has significantly influenced your life.
 - B. Fully describe this sentence: "I am a ___ year old male/female growing up in the

Selections:

Selection will be based on school and community involvement, financial need, and completion of a brief essay.

Application Deadline:

The application is **April 27, 2012 at 5:00 p.m.** Please return the application with the essay attached to **Debbie Edington at Texas Heritage Bank.**

2012 4-H Horse Validation

Beginning with this year's Horse Validation Program the process will now be all electronically completed using the 4-H CONNECT online management system. ALL 4-H members who wish to show in a district or the state 4-H Horse Shows will be required to validate their horse(s) on the 4-H CONNECT system.

Validation will be open from April 1, 2012 to May 1, 2012.

Any horse validated before or after this date will not be accepted as a legitimate validated animal!

Because this is a new system this year it is strongly advised that you **DO NOT** wait until the last minute in case of any computer, photo, or upload issues!

If you would like to come into the office and validate your horse please contact Rose at the Extension office to schedule an appointment. (325) 854-5835.

Submitted by: Jerry Warren, CEA - Ag/NR

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Big Country Athletic Hall of Fame Banquet tickets now on sale

Tickets are now on sale for the Big Country Athletic Hall of Fame Banquet to be held on Monday, May 7, 2012 at 6:30 pm at the Abilene Civic Center. Tables are still available for \$750 which include priority seating and the VIP reception prior to the banquet. Individual tickets are \$40 each for non-reserved seating. Deadline to order a table is April 13th and the non-reserved seating deadline is April 27, 2012.

This year's *Dinner and Induction Ceremony* will honor

John Paul Cain, Sweetwater; Judy Casey, Abilene High; Joe Crousen, Breckenridge; Ken & John T. Ford, Breckenridge; Kelly Kent, Cisco; Bruce Land, Hawley; Andy Malone, Abilene Cooper, Ray Overton, Abilene Cooper & Haskell; and Dean Smith, Graham.

You may purchase tables or tickets by calling 325-668-3685 or forms are available at the Big Country Hall of Fame Museum, 241 Pine Street (2nd Street entrance to the AISD Administration Building) or at www.bigcountryhalloffame.org.

Vaccinate Before You Graduate!

Abilene Care Van to offer several opportunities for High School students to get vaccinated FREE before the end of the school term. Vaccinations will also be available for children of all ages to combat vaccine preventable diseases.

The Abilene Care Van and the Caring for Children Foundation of Texas will be offering required vaccinations FREE to VFC eligible students at the Medical Care Missions, 1857 Pine, Abilene, TX 79601 on Thursday, April 5th, April 19th, May 3rd and May 17, 2012. On Saturday, April 28th from 11-3, there will be a FREE mini health fair and immunization event at the Abilene Zoo in celebration of National Infant Immunization Week. Parents are encouraged to take advantage of these opportunities and be proactive by

immunizing their children now before the back to school rush.

As of January 1, 2012 any student who has been admitted to an institution of higher education or private or independent institution of higher education, must show evidence of receipt of an **initial bacterial meningitis vaccination dose or booster** during the five-year period preceding and at least 10 days prior to the first semester in which the student initially enrolls at an institution, or following a break in enrollment of at least one fall or spring semester at the same

or another institution.

To receive these free vaccinations a student must be Texas Vaccine for Children eligible. The eligibility covers American Indian or Alaskan Native, no insurance, CHIP, Medicaid, or insurance that does not pay 100% of charges for vaccines.

Parents or guardians must bring child's immunization record. Shots will be given without a complete shot record. Children 17 and under must be accompanied by parent or guardian. VFC eligible.

2012 District 7 4-H Roundup

The 2012 District Roundup will be held on **Saturday, May 5, 2012** in San Angelo. The following events will be held at District Roundup: Educational Presentations, Judging Contest (Entomology ID, Range & Pasture Grass ID, Soils), Public Speaking, Share-the-fun, Senior Fashion Storyboard, and Senior Fashion Show.

If you would like to compete at District Roundup you must contact the Extension Office as soon as possible.

All entries must register for Roundup on 4-H Connect and through the Extension Office.

4-H Connect opens - April 9th and closes April 16th.

If you have any questions please contact the Extension office at 325-854-5835.

Submitted by: Jerry Warren, CEA - Ag/NR

Attention Horse Lovers! Callahan County 4-H to host horse clinic

Callahan County 4-H is hosting a Horse clinic on April 21, 2012 from 10:00 a.m. - 2:30 p.m. The clinic will be held at 5460 CR 251, Clyde.

There is no fee for this clinic and ALL youth are invited to attend.

Topics to be covered at the clinic will be care and feeding, parts of the horse and saddle, breeds of horses, legal bits and legal clothing, good horsemanship and events that are available.

Mock demonstrations will be conducted for Halter, Poles, Stake race, Western riding and Horsemanship.

Youth are encouraged to bring their own horse.

Stallions are NOT allowed.

There will be a 30 minute Brisket lunch and participants are asked to bring a side dish to share. Brisket donated by Amanda Earles.

Interested youth please RSVP to the Callahan County Extension office by April 16, 2012.

Phone (325) 854-5835 or email callahan@ag.tamu.edu.

Please indicate events of interest from the following: Reining, Speed events, Cattle-calf roping, Team roping, Halter, English events, Western pleasure and Horsemanship.

Submitted by: Jerry Warren, CEA - Ag

CROSS PLAINS SCHOOL MENU

APRIL 16 - APRIL 20

BREAKFAST

MONDAY- Eggs, Biscuit, Fruit, Assorted Juice and Milk
TUESDAY- Sausage-n-blanket, Fruit, Assorted Juice and Milk
WEDNESDAY- Pancakes, Sausage, Fruit, Assorted Juice and Milk
THURSDAY - Hot or Cold Cereal, Toast, Fruit, Assorted Juice and Milk
FRIDAY- Cinnamon Roll, Yogurt, Fruit, Assorted Juice and

LUNCH

MONDAY- Pizza, Salad, Corn, Rosy-applesauce and Milk
TUESDAY- Chicken Tenders, Gravy, Mashed Potatoes, Green Beans, Roll, Peaches and Milk
WEDNESDAY- Chicken Fajitas, Salad, Refried beans, Sherbet and Milk
THURSDAY - Spaghetti w/Meat sauce, Cheese Sticks, Broccoli, Garlic Stick, Pears and Milk
FRIDAY- Beef or Chicken Pattty on bun, Lettuce, tomato & pickles, Baked wedges, Cookie and Milk

HAVE A GREAT WEEKEND!

Time Capsule Planned

The Cross Plains Public Library is putting together a time capsule of items to be opened in 100 years. We are asking for items that would identify what it is like to be living in Cross Plains today. All items together must fit into a 5 gallon bucket, so space is limited. Items may be anything from a paper with writing or a photo to an object that shows today's technology such as an old cell phone.

Ideas may be submitted or you may wish to donate something. Not all items can be included due to limited space in the time capsule and all decisions will be at the discretion of the library board of directors. If your donated item is chosen, we will contact you for its acquisition. Donated items become the property of the library.

Items already included in the time capsule are: anniversary and centennial copies of the Cross Plains Review, the books *Footsteps of Approaching Thousands* and *Cross Plains Remembered*, a 2011 Merriam-Webster Dictionary, a church bulletin from First United Methodist Church's 125th celebration and a picture of their

float in the Centennial parade, the frock worn by Conan, the Barber, in "Murder at the Barbarian Festival", photos of the 2005 fire, a wooden token from the centennial celebration and more.

Once assembled, plans are to bury the capsule in the park next to the library under a cement slab. Deadline for items is being delayed until part two of *Cross Plains Remembered* is published. If you would like to participate, please fill out this form and return it to the library or call the library for a pick up at 254-725-7722.

Suggestions for Time Capsule (If you need more space, please attach a separate paper)

Description of Item _____
(you may enclose non-returnable photo)

Name _____ Phone # _____

Estimated value of any donated item _____ Dimensions of item _____

What about this item would make it interesting to others in 100 years _____

If donating, are you willing to sign a disclosure giving up possession of the item? _____

Submitted by
Judy Luter

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Pre-Kindergarten and Kindergarten Screening

Parents are asked to register their children who will enter Pre-Kindergarten next fall. Cross Plains Elementary offers Pre-Kindergarten to all children who will be four years of age on or before September 1, 2012. Pre-Kindergarten will be offered if a sufficient number of four year olds register for the program.

It is important that students register as soon as possible in order to plan classes for 2012-2013. Class sizes for Pre-K may be limited.

Students who will be five years of age on or before September 1, 2012 are eligible for Kindergarten. Kindergarten is a full day program. Kindergarten is a basic part of the Cross Plains School system and the service is available to all students. If your child is currently enrolled in Pre-K at Cross Plains Elementary, you will NOT have to go through the screening process. If your child has not been enrolled in Pre-K, and will be attending Kindergarten in the fall, please register for screening.

Early childhood screening will be conducted at the same time as regular Pre-K and Kindergarten screening. The early childhood program is a program to help those children ages 3-5 who show to be developmentally delayed or have a suspected disability.

Early Childhood, Pre-K and Kindergarten screening will be conducted Friday, April 20, 2012 at Cross Plains Elementary School. Please call the Elementary Principal's Office at

725-6123 to make an appointment for your child. The screening will take about sixty minutes. Each student's hearing, vision, speech, motor skills, language ability, and developmental growth will be evaluated at this time. Parents will be given a report on their child's progress at the time of the screening.

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Please bring the birth certificate, immunization record, and social security number for the child at the time of registering. Also, you will be asked to complete the National School Lunch Program information form on the day of pre-registration.

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Si usted cree que su niño(a) que usted conozca satisfice uno o mas de estos requisitos, por favor se comunica con la escuela.

Sinceramente,
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Director de las Escuela

Save the Date April 21st to Hear Joyce Spizer Foy

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Miss Sue and Miss Linda help the kids with their tornado projects at the library — The Cross Plains Public Library presented a program on tornado safety for the April After School Adventure Program (ASAP). They watched videos about what types of clouds produce tornados, how tornados are formed, and what to do in case a warning is given in our community. They discussed where safe places are at school, home, the library, and in local stores and shops. The attending kids then made a fun experiment making a tornado in a bottle. There were 11 active tornados going all at once! The Target Grant that the library recently received provided supplies.

Cross Plains Genealogy Society News

The April 2nd meeting of the Cross Plains Area Genealogical Society was cancelled due to family emergencies. We will have our meeting on April 16, 2012 at 1pm at the library. We invite all who love genealogy and family to come! We will have our 1940's Census Party to celebrate the release of the 1940 Census. We will look at images for the Cross Plains area. This census will have more information than past ones. One exciting default is that it will list the identity of the person who gave the information. (Now we will know who is responsible for that horribly incorrect information. If there is some!) We will also have a drawing for an Archives.com 2012 membership for those who

attend.

We would like to remind folks that we have notecards for sale at the library with pictures of historical significance for Cross Plains on them. Great for showing support and love of Cross Plains!

In celebration of the Cross Plains Centennial, we are still accepting applications for the Cross Plains Area First Families Certificates for any ancestor who moved to the Cross Plains area before 1920. If you are interested please obtain forms and instructions at the library or from one of the members of the Genealogy Society. You don't have to be a member of the Cross Plains Area Genealogy Society to apply.

Card Of Thanks

One of the things that happens when you are not well is you have time to think.

Frank and I have been back here since 1986. Frank became ill in 1990 and despite plans to move on, we stayed here where there was such good help from our family and friends.

I was diagnosed with lung cancer on January 30, 2012. I'm undergoing treatment at Texas Oncology in Abilene and once again I realize what a good town and what good people there are here in Cross Plains. The love and caring by so many has been unbelievable.

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COTTONWOOD NEWS

BEVERLY BROWN

Cottonwood was really buzzing this weekend with all of the events going on! The Musical, Easter Events at the Baptist Church, the Coonhunt - Cottonwood was a busy town. And, it rained! What a great weekend.

There was a good crowd at the Cottonwood Musical last Friday night - over 100 people filled the auditorium to hear the musicians and eat King Ranch Chicken and other treats in the kitchen.

The Callahan County Firefighters Association held their annual meeting here in Cottonwood last Saturday morning. Firefighters from Eula, Baird, Oplin, Cross Plains and Cottonwood enjoyed breakfast along with the meeting. Thanks to Barbara and Donnie Worley and their chickens for furnishing

the eggs and to Joe and Deana Terstegge for the sausage.

Despite the rain Saturday night, the Battle Creek Coonhunters held a successful hunt here in Cottonwood. Coondog "Ramblin Ringo" and owner Randall Powell from Brownwood won the hunt with 225+ points.

Other winners: Champion Male: "Louie" owner Lori Paxton of Cross Plains, handler Brent Paxton. Champion Female: "Briar Rose", owner/handler Katie Fox of Palo Pinto. Best of Show Male: "Ramond", owner/handler Mike Rogers of Stephenville; Best of Show Female: "Blackburn Amy", owner James Blackburn, handler James Glaze; Best Walker Breed: "Glaze Roscoe", owner/handler James Glaze; Best of Leopard Female: "Bubby Girl", owner/

handler Mike Rogers.

The Brisket Dinner held with the coonhunt went great. Good to see so many Cottonwood folks! The Coonhunters presented an appreciation plaque to the Cottonwood Volunteer Fire Control Group for all of their help. The next coonhunt is scheduled for June 23rd.

Shirley Byrd of Kellar was here over the Easter weekend visiting with her sisters Mary Ella Weaver, Billie Kelly, and Dena Nickerson and families and brother Herman and Naomi Weaver and family here in Cottonwood.

The Cottonwood Historical Association Annual Meeting is coming up soon. Mark your calendars for Saturday, May 5.

Callahan County Pond Management Seminar

Small pond owners, or those who want to be, have an excellent opportunity to learn more about small pond management at the Callahan County Farm Pond Management Seminar on April 26th.

Callahan County Extension, in cooperation with the Callahan Divide Soil and Water Conservation District, USDA and NRCS is hosting a pond management seminar featuring biologists who specialize in management of ponds. The seminar will be held at the Baird Activity Center located at 208 Walnut beginning at 9:30 a.m. The program will begin at 10:00 a.m. and conclude at 2:30 p.m.

Gary Franke, Soil Conservation Technician with the Natural Resource Conservation Service will start the day discussing how to design and construct ponds. Steven Bardin, Arm Bait Co. &

Pond Consultant will follow with a discussion on Stocking Rates & Species Selection. Ricky Linex, Wildlife Biologist with the Natural Resource Conservation Service will discuss Fishery Management & Record Keeping. Spencer Dumont, TPWD Inland Fishery Biologist will be our final speaker and discuss Aquatic Plants & Weed Control.

There will be 3-hours of Continuing Education Credits for re-certification of private and non-commercial applicators available through the Texas Department of Agriculture.

Cost of the program will be \$15.00 per person, for those who RSVP by Friday, April 20th, \$20 at the door.

Lunch is included in the registration fee.

To pre-register contact the Callahan County Extension Office at (325) 854-5835.

Submitted by: Jerry Warren
County Extension Agent

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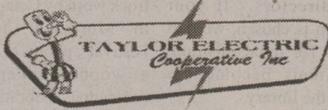
A Zumba Class is held every Thursday at 5:15 p.m. in the Cross Plains Senior Citizens Center on Main Street. You can get in shape and have fun at the same time.

This is not just for senior citizens! Anyone may join and there is plenty room for more to participate.

Classes are \$2.00 each, that goes to the Cross Plains Senior Citizens, or donate \$2.00 worth of canned goods.

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Cross Plains Cemetery Association Meeting

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Upcoming Events? Contact THE CROSS PLAINS CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

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Oplin Community Bi-annual Homecoming

The Oplin Community Center will host its bi-annual Homecoming on Saturday, June 2, 2012. If you've ever lived in the Oplin Community or if you now live in the Oplin community you are invited. Our community center will provide the brisket and sausage and everyone else is asked to provide side dishes and desserts.

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Cross Plains Area Genealogy Society meets at the Library every first and third Mondays at 1:00 p.m.



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April 20th, there will be a BBQ Sandwich Meal served 6-7PM. The show is 7-9PM. Tickets are \$10 at the door. Sponsored by: Lake Brownwood Lions Club and will take place at 6751 N. Hwy. 279 in Brownwood, TX.

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Wednesday, 18th- 10:00am Games
Thursday, 19th- ZUMBA 5:00pm
Friday, 20th- 10:00am Games

Brown Bag Special

The Senior Citizens Center will have an indoor garage sale on Saturday, April 14th from 8:00am to 12:00pm. All you can put into a brown paper grocery bag for \$5!!!!!! Bring your own paper bag as there will be a limited number of them available at the center. If you have items you would like to donate, you can bring them to the center on Friday, April 13th AFTER 3:00 pm. If you need assistance getting items to the center, call 725-6521 by Wednesday.

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APRIL 16 - APRIL 20

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

Cross Plains High School Class of 1962 to Celebrate 50th Reunion

Cross Plains High School Class of 1962 will hold its 50 Year Class Reunion Saturday, April 28th at Jean's Feed Barn on Highway 36 in Cross Plains.

All classmates, whether or not you graduated with the class, are

encouraged to attend. Everyone is welcome.

If you have further questions, please contact Keith Watkins at 254-631-1169.

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Submitted by:
Debbie Gosnell
City Administrator

PUBLIC NOTICE

The City of Cross Plains has a Nuisance Ordinance prohibiting the growing of weeds to a height in excess of 12". The following is an excerpt of the ordinance. Due to unusual spring rains, the grass and weeds are growing at a rapid pace and need to be addressed quickly to prohibit a harbor for rodents and vermin. The City respectfully requests that all property owner, both present and absentee, do their due diligence in keeping their property in such a manner that meets with the requirements of the ordinance.

ARTICLES II. WEEDS, ETC.

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Annual notice may be given to property owners, as above provided, prior to the grass-growing season.

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Submitted by,
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City Administrator

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Commissioners hold brief meeting April 9th

The Callahan County Commissioners held a brief meeting Monday, April 9th at the Callahan County Courthouse in Baird to accept the Sheriff's Report for the month of March and to pay the approved bills.

Callahan County Judge Roger Corn called the commissioners' court meeting to order at 9:34 a.m. with Precinct #1 Commissioner Harold Hicks, Precinct #2 Commissioner Bryan Farmer, Precinct #3 Commissioner Tom Windham, and Precinct #4 Commissioner Cliff Kirkham present. Also present at the meeting were Donna Bell, County Clerk, and County Treasurer Dianne Gunter.

Chief Deputy Keith Collum presented the Sheriff's Report for the month of March. Commissioner Kirkham made a motion to approve the report. Commissioner Windham seconded the motion and the motion passed with a unanimous 5-0 vote.

Other agenda items brought before the commissioners' court included:

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

—Under public comment there were none.

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

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

Sheriff's Department Monthly Report for March 2012

Callahan County Sheriff's Department Monthly Statistics

Month of March 2012
Total Calls Received in Dispatch: 483
Total Arrests Made: Felony 4, Misdemeanor 9.
Citations Written: 8
Agency Assists: 141
Reports: Offense 19, Incident 6.
Business Checks: 392
Traffic Stops: 41
Citizens Assists: 131

3-16-12 at 3:20 p.m. Received a call in the 1200 block of Piperway near Elmdale of a theft of a cabinet with aircraft parts in it. Sergeant Marlow responded and a report was taken. Case is still under investigation.

3-17-12 at 8:51 a.m. Received a call to a business in Putnam of criminal mischief. Deputy Vardin responded. On arrival found that

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

two of the gas pumps had the covers removed off and parts taken from the pumps. Report was made and case is still under investigation.

3-27-12 at 10:30 p.m. Received a call of a possible attempted suicide in the 11000 block of FM 604. Sergeant Marlow responded and found a male subject with a knife. Sergeant Marlow with assistance of family restrained subject and the knife was taken from subject. Subject was taken into custody and transported to Abilene for evaluation.

In the month of March the Sheriff's Office has responded to 34 calls dealing with cattle issues from being out in the roadway to being under fed to being estray.

Total booked into the Callahan County Jail for month of March 2012: 32

Taylor Electric Annual Meeting Set For April 19th

Taylor Electric Cooperative members will gather for the 73rd Annual Membership Meeting at the cooperative's headquarters Thursday, April 19, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., at 226 County Road 287, just south of Interstate-20 between Abilene and Merkel. This year's theme celebrates election year and the democratic process, underscoring the advantages of participation in a non-profit utility with democratic control.

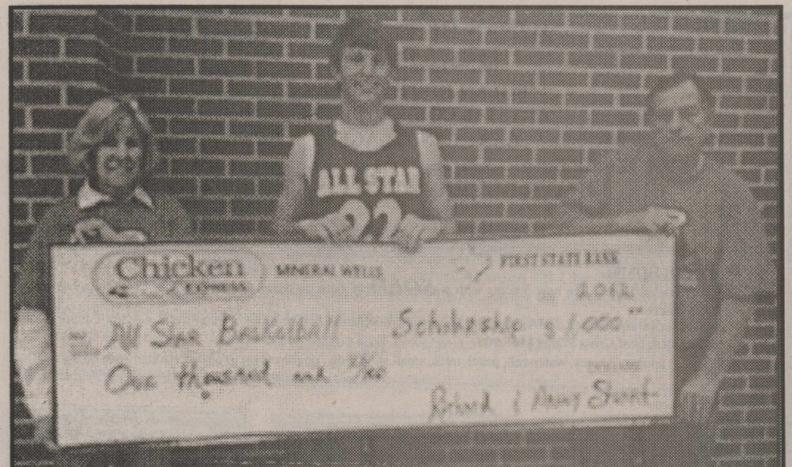
Founded in 1939 to provide electricity to rural communities, Taylor Electric is a member-owned, not-for-profit utility with 10,000 member-owners in 11 counties. The annual business

meeting is when members gather for fellowship, elect directors for the board, receive capital credit refund checks, and hear updates about the energy industry and news about their utility company. This year, Taylor Electric will distribute \$550,000 in capital credits to members. The cooperative has retired more than \$10.5 million in patronage capital funds since 1951, when it first began the distribution of funds to members.

Area firefighters will be honored guests at the meeting. Members will donate \$50,000 to 24 area volunteer fire departments and the Texas Forest Service through

money generated in the co-op's Round Up program. Members contribute all year to this fund by rounding up their monthly statements to the nearest dollar. Members will find camaraderie, as well as a health fair, education about energy conservation, giveaways, door prizes, entertainment from Abilene student musicians, as well as a barbecue lunch.

April's edition of *Texas Cooperative Power* magazine features a registration card that Taylor Electric members should tear out and bring to the meeting. For more information, call 325-793-8538.



3-Point Shooting Contest Winner — Ethan Edington (center) played for the West Team in the 23rd Annual Mineral Wells area Chamber of Commerce-Chicken Express All-Star Basketball Classic on Saturday, March 24th and won the three-point shooting contest conducted during halftime, bringing home a \$1,000 scholarship. Ethan is a senior at Albany High School where he played on the varsity basketball team for the past three years. He is the son of Eddie and Deneen Edington and grandson of Billie (Atwood) Patterson, all of Albany. Congratulations Ethan!

Wildfire awareness week reminds Texans to stay prepared

AUSTIN, Texas - Any time is a good time to safeguard your home and family against wildfires, but Texas' April 9-13 Wildfire Awareness Week offers the perfect opportunity. The Federal Emergency Management Agency and the State of Texas suggest Texans use the week to learn their wildfire risk and get prepared.

"Wildfire Awareness Week is an opportune time to plan for wildfire season, especially with the continuing risk due to the state's drought conditions," said Texas Division of Emergency Management Chief Nim Kidd. "Educating yourself about the wildfire threat and taking steps to protect yourself and your property could help prevent the kind of destruction Texas experienced last year."

"Whether you own your home or rent, it's important to have a plan in place to protect your personal property, family and pets from the devastation of a wildfire," said Kevin Hanes, FEMA's federal coordinating officer for the 2011 Texas wildfire recovery missions. "Make a plan, build a disaster supply kit and stay informed. Those are the three key components to staying safe under any hazardous conditions."

Those living in historically high-risk areas for wildfires or

in the Wildland Urban Interface, an area where homes or other structures meet and mix with undeveloped, natural landscapes, should be particularly aware of their surroundings and make preparedness a top priority, said Hanes. It's also good idea to review your homeowner's or renter's insurance policy before a fire breaks out, he added.

FEMA and TDEM suggest taking proactive, preventative measures to protect a home against wildfire destruction, such as creating defensible space and hardening the home.

Defensible Space:
*Create a fire-safe landscape zone ranging from 30 to 100 feet around the home.

*Plant only fire-resistant shrubs and trees. For example, hardwood trees are less flammable than pine, evergreen, eucalyptus or fir trees. Carefully space tree plantings to avoid creating pockets of fuel.

*Create "fuel breaks," such as driveways and gravel walkways.

*Remove ground fuels like grass, leaves, pine needles, dead limbs and twigs within 30 feet of the home. Clear all flammable vegetation and other materials. Remove branches that extend over the roof or power lines. Mow grass regularly.

*Trim all dead branches from

trees in the yard and prune low hanging limbs to prevent fire from climbing to the crowns of the trees.

Harden the Home:
*Use fire-resistant roofing material, such as ceramic or slate tile, or standing-seam metal roofing.

*Protect the home's eaves with stucco or plaster to prevent flying embers from starting a fire. Consider designing the home without overhangs or use fire-resistant soffits to protect it from embers and hot gases.

*Ensure that exterior wall coverings are fire-resistant and not susceptible to melting. Concrete, fiber-cement panels or siding, stucco, masonry and metal are some recommended materials.

*Use metal mesh screens to keep fast-flying embers out of vents and chimneys. Vents should also be made of metal.

FEMA's resource, the "Home Builder's Guide to Construction in Wildfire Zones," www.fema.gov/library/viewRecord.do?id=3646, provides excellent information about wildfire behavior and recommendations for building design and construction methods in areas prone to wildfires.

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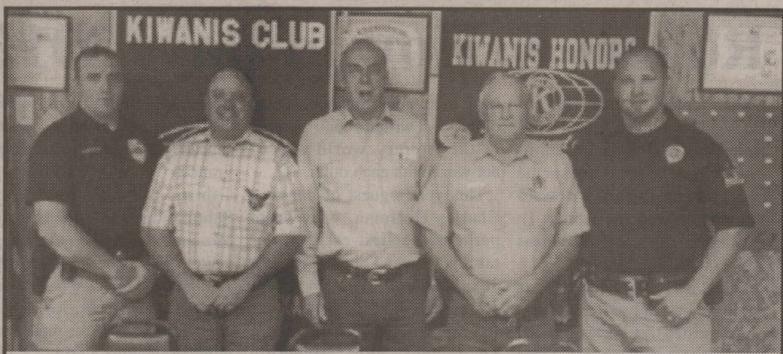
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Special Guests at the Kiwanis Meeting — Officer Will Windham (left to right), Sheriff John Windham, Ronnie White, Chief Don Gosnell and Officer Jarod Potter. These officers were the special guest of Ronnie White at the recent Kiwanis meeting. Chief Gosnell introduced the other officers and gave a brief talk on some of the issues facing Cross Plains. Having three full-time police officers will hopefully allow for more patrol time and help curb some of the criminal activities going on now. Kiwanis meets at 7:00 am each Tuesday at Jean's Feed Barn. All are welcome.



Business Of The Month — Ray's Barber Shop made business of the month of April. Pictured above are: Jessica Cunningham Gilbert (left to right), Lexie Bagley, in the chair is Gus Nickerson, Ray Purvis, Connie Kirkham and Myleah McNutt.

Did your tree survive the drought? How to assess your tree this spring

COLLEGE STATION, Texas - Now that spring has sprung, it's time to take a look at your trees, and if you don't see any green, it may be time to make some hard decisions.

Trees across the state began to wilt last summer as the Lone Star State underwent one of the worst droughts in recorded history. Some trees went into early dormancy, dropping their leaves and branches in a desperate act of self-preservation. Others died.

At the time, it was difficult (even for tree experts) to tell the difference between dormant and dead. But now that spring is here and many trees are flourishing with the recent rains, the distinction is much easier to make.

"Green is good," Texas Forest Service Urban Forestry Manager John Giedraitis said. "If all the trees around you are green and your tree is still bare and leafless, it's probably not

going to make a comeback."

Surviving shade trees (oaks, elms and other hardwood trees are common examples) will have shed all or most of last year's leaves and will be breaking buds, flowering and sprouting new green leaves. Pecan, hickory, ash and mesquite trees are often the last to sprout new leaves, but even these species should be turning green within the next couple of weeks.

Dead shade trees won't have any new growth. Though they may still have dead, brown leaves, there won't be any green leaves in the crown or at the ends of the branches, which will make them stand out when compared with neighboring, living trees.

These trees also may have patches of bark that have fallen off the trunk and exposed a brown or gray fungus underneath. This fungus (known as hypoxylon canker)

is common on dead or dying post oaks and water oaks.

Dead pine and cedar trees, as well as other needle-bearing conifer trees will be covered in red or brown needles. Once all or most of the needles turn from green to red, the tree can't recover.

If you have a dead tree that is close to a house or other structure on which it might fall, it is a safety concern and removal should be considered. If you're not sure if your tree is dead, check out our facebook photo album to see examples or contact a certified arborist.

Last year, Texas Forest Service tree experts estimated as many as 500 million rural forest trees and another 5.6 million urban shade trees had died from the drought. Foresters currently are studying aerial imagery to refine the number of trees killed by drought. Those results are expected later this year.

USDA CRP Sign-up deadline extended

U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) Farm Service Agency (FSA) Administrator Bruce Nelson today announced that the sign-up deadline for the Conservation Reserve Program (CRP) has been extended to April 13, 2012.

"Due to strong interest in CRP, the decision was made to extend CRP sign-up 43 for an additional week. I encourage all eligible farmers and ranchers to take advantage of this opportunity to participate in CRP," said Nelson. "Whether new enrollees or re-enrolling existing CRP contracts, producers who sign up for CRP help to conserve land and improve our soil, water, air and wildlife habitat resources."

After the CRP general sign-up ends on April 13, FSA will evaluate offers based on cost and the Environmental Benefits Index (EBI). The EBI takes into consideration variables such as wildlife habitat, water quality protection, soil erosion reduction, air quality protection and other enduring benefits. Accepted offers will become effective Oct. 1, 2012.

CRP is a voluntary program available to agricultural producers to help them use environmentally sensitive land for conservation benefits. Producers enrolled in CRP plant long-term, resource-conserving covers to improve the quality of water, control soil erosion and develop wildlife habitat. In return, USDA provides participants with

rental payments and cost-share assistance. Contract duration is between 10 and 15 years. Producers with expiring contracts and producers with environmentally sensitive land are encouraged to evaluate their options under CRP.

CRP has a 25-year legacy of successfully protecting the nation's natural resources through voluntary participation, while providing significant economic and environmental benefits to rural communities across the United States. Currently, about 30 million acres are enrolled in CRP.

CRP continues to make major contributions to national efforts to improve water and air quality, prevent soil erosion by protecting the most sensitive areas including those prone to flash flooding and runoff. At the same time, CRP has helped increase populations of pheasants, quail, ducks, and other rare species, like the sage grouse, the lesser prairie chicken, and others. Highlights of CRP include:

CRP has restored more than two million acres of wetlands and two million acres of riparian buffers;

Each year, CRP keeps more than 600 million pounds of nitrogen and more than 100 million pounds of phosphorus from flowing into our nation's streams, rivers, and lakes.

CRP provides \$1.8 billion annually to landowners-dollars that make their way into local economies, supporting small

businesses and creating jobs; and

CRP is the largest private lands carbon sequestration program in the country. By placing vulnerable cropland into conservation, CRP sequesters carbon in plants and soil, and reduces both fuel and fertilizer usage. In 2010, CRP resulted in carbon sequestration equal to taking almost 10 million cars off the road.

In 2011, USDA enrolled a record number of acres of private working lands in conservation programs, working with more than 500,000 farmers and ranchers to implement conservation practices that clean the air we breathe, filter the water we drink, and prevent soil erosion.

Moreover, the Obama Administration, with Agriculture Secretary Vilsack's leadership, has worked tirelessly to strengthen rural America, implement the Farm Bill, maintain a strong farm safety net, and create opportunities for America's farmers and ranchers. U.S. agriculture is currently experiencing one of its most productive periods in American history thanks to the productivity, resiliency, and resourcefulness of our producers.

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Thank You Plaque — Ray Dodd, president of the Battle Creek Coonhunter's Association (right), presents an appreciation plaque to the Cottonwood Volunteer Fire Control Group. Fire Chief, Joe Terstegge (left) receives the plaque.

Battle Creek Coonhunter's Association Meeting and Cottonwood Volunteer Fire Control Group BBQ Successful

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Sisters Visit Together — Three of the Weaver Sisters visited with Frances Thornton at the Barbeque Dinner. Shirley Bird of Kellar (left to right), Billie Kelly, Mary Ella Weaver and Frances Thornton.



Eight Eighty East Perform — Sid and R.W. Bogue entertained guests at the Brisket Dinner.

Turkey Creek Rodeo Club 2012 Events are Starting

Don't miss the events of TCRC this year. There are some great events coming for the young and the young at heart in 2012. Come be a member of this community minded, riding, roping, dancing, youth oriented, fun loving rodeo club. You can call David Mays at 325-665-9697, Reggie Pillans at 254-725-4168 or Neva Yates at 325-665-2419 for membership information.

Our first youth play day and first time OPEN play day will be held on April 21st. The play day books will be open at 9:00 a.m. with the events starting at 10:00 a.m. On Friday, April 20th

starting at 6:00 p.m. there will be a riding clinic for all who would like to attend. The clinic will be at the TCRC rodeo grounds. Our play days will be the 3rd Saturday of each month, except September which will be September the 8th. Our ranch rodeo will be September 15th.

In conjunction with the Cross Plains music fest at Tread Way Park located next to the TCRC arena April 28th, TCRC will have a chuck wagon from Clyde Cowboy Heritage Church serving lunch and dinner. Lunch will be cooked to order burgers and hot dogs, dinner will be a delicious

cowboy stew, with corn bread and peach cobbler. There will also be a dance starting at 8:00 p.m. at the park featuring the band, 4-Barrel from Coleman. There is an admission and cooler charge. NO GLASS CONTAINERS.

TCRC would like to extend an invitation to the E.D.C., Mayor, city administrator and city council of Cross Plains for a free lunch and/or dinner at the chuck wagon on the 28th of April. We appreciate all the help you have given to the TCRC.

Submitted by Reggie Pillans

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Robert E. Howad Days 2012

Plans for the annual Howard Days celebration on June 8-9 are being finalized by members of Project Pride who co-sponsor the event with the Robert E. Howard Foundation and the Robert E. Howard E. Howard United Press Association.

The event, first held 25 years ago, was basically a Texas BBQ dinner hosted by Charles and Lou Rodenberger at their home. Since that time, it has grown into a full blown gathering of scholars from around the globe who come to

learn more about various aspects of the local writer's contributions to the literary world and to net-work with each other.

This year's guest of honor is Charles Hoffman, who wrote perhaps the first essay about taking Howard seriously as a Texas writer. His 1974 article about Howard's writing as having depth, substance, excitement and adventure launched the revival of interest in, and knowledge of, the writings of the local author.

Local contributions to the annual event will be the postal cancellation design submitted by Frances Thornton and the new t-shirts being made by Salamander's. The Howard Museum is proud to point out to visitors that all the shirts and caps sold in the shop have been made by the local business. All of these creative folks will see their work going around the world.

Not bad for a small town!

Submitted by Arlene Stephenson

Eula Homecoming Reunion Set For June 9th

Every two years Exes from Eula Schools return for a homecoming reunion. This year the reunion will salute our 2011 CHAMPIONSHIP EULA PIRATES. The coach and several team members will be present and share the lunch provided by the Eula Lions Club. You won't want to miss this reunion, so mark your calendar now and make plans to join us on Saturday, June 9th, at the Eula High School Cafetorium beginning at 10:00 a.m.

If you have a Pirates Championship t-shirt, please wear it to the reunion. If not, shirts will be available at the reunion for \$10 each. Please join us in celebrating our State Championship.

Displays of school annuals, photographs, clippings, quilts, and other mementoes from past years will be exhibited in the library. A tour of the school buildings will be offered, especially the old rock gym, the only building left from the school most of us attended. A Memorial Album was assembled in 2010 to remember former classmates no longer with us. Please be prepared to share information about those you know of (our information source is the Clyde Journal and many times former classmates are not included in

the obituary pages).

Following a brief business meeting and "Meet the Pirates" program, the Eula Lions Club will serve a barbeque plate for \$8.00 per person.

Many classes have plans to extend their time of fellowship with classmates at local restaurants or homes.

Everyone is urged to contact your classmates before the reunion so all classes may have a good turnout.

We look forward to seeing YOU at the Eula Reunion on Saturday, June 9th!

Submitted by: Georgia Yawn, Secretary/Treasurer

"Higher Call" and Clyde Annandale

The Cisco Ministerial Alliance is hosting an evening of music and drama featuring "Higher Call" and Clyde Annandale on Saturday, April 14, 2012 at 6 p.m. at the Conrad Hilton Center in Cisco, Texas. There is no admission fee for this event and all ages will benefit from the music and dramatic presentation provided.

Clyde Annandale lives in Kennesaw, Georgia, and has been privileged to perform as King David before Benjamin Netanyahu for Israel's 50th anniversary of statehood, and as Jesus before the Mayor of Jerusalem and 5,000 of his friends at the Jerusalem Convention

Center. Clyde brings a very passionate portrayal of whomever he is portraying that will hold attention and present the Truth of the Bible in a different way.

"Higher Call" is a local singing group that formed and began serving and singing together in 2011. The group is composed of Tim Hull, Ginny and Jackson Witt, Judy Pope, and April Hearne. All will be blessed by the music and talents of this group.

There will be a voluntary love offering at the close of the program to be applied towards Clyde Annandale's ministry.

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Ruth Lusk Celebrates 90th Birthday

Ruth celebrated her 90th Birthday at her home in Cisco on April 5, 2012. Attending her party were all 3 of her children; Sandra Moore from Pioneer, Emory Lusk from Cross Cut and Michael Lusk from the Austin area. Her grandchildren; Mark Burkett of Midland, Kathryn McCarty of Pioneer and a great-grandchild, Elizabeth Grace McCarty of Pioneer. It was a wonderful Celebration.

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Cross Plains is the Place TO SHOP



Callahan County Fire Fighters Come to Cottonwood — The Callahan Fire Fighter's Association met in Cottonwood last Saturday morning for breakfast and their monthly meeting. Pam Rumfield (left to right), Oplin VFD; Travis Hudspeth, Eula VFD; Bird, Baird VFD; Mike Johnson, Cottonwood VFC; Rickey Carouth, Cross Plains VFD; and Roger Hinkle, Cottonwood VFD. Hudspeth is president of the organization.

"Feed a Mind; Feed a Body" Welcomes Lawrence Farm and Ranch Supply as a Partner

The Cross Plains Public Library's new program, "Feed a Mind; Feed a Body," was created to provide food for students working toward their GED. Lawrence Farm and Ranch Supply has agreed to lend its support by hosting "Burrito Night" once a month.

Since GED classes start at 5 p.m. and are not over until 9 p.m., most students don't have time for supper, so meals and snacks are being provided by local businesses and patrons. Since the

first class began on March 5th, patrons and friends have been supplying fruit, bottled water, granola bars, Lunchables, chips and candy during break time for the teachers and staff.

Two week ago Subway joined in the program by pledging a platter of subs twice a month; last week Nubbin Ridge Vineyards joined by pledging pizza once a month.

If you would like to help furnish meals or snacks, contact the library at 725-7722.

GED classes are held every

Monday and Tuesday evening at the library from 5 pm. -9 a p.m. Students can enroll at any time—just show up and someone will be available to get you started. All books and materials are free! There is no excuse for you to put this off any longer.

Thank you to everyone who is supporting the GED program. You are helping our students take an important step in turning their dreams into reality.

Submitted by
Michelle Kaiser

Beef Cattle Seminar set for April 24th in Abilene

The Texas AgriLife Extension Service is beginning a statewide educational initiative focusing on rebuilding cattle herds within the state. Taylor County Extension Service will host a meeting on April 24th at the Taylor County Expo Center's Big Country Hall. Cost will be \$40.00 for those registered by April 20th or \$50.00 at the door. Register online at <http://agriliferegister.tamu.edu> (Keyword: Beef). Or call the Taylor County Extension office at (325) 672-6048.

"For the past two decades, we have seen a continual decline in cattle numbers within the state," said Dr. Ron Gill, AgriLife Extension livestock specialist and associate department head for animal science at Texas A&M University in College Station.

"The historic drought of 2011 dramatically accentuated that trend. The state's cattle industry and affiliated trade and service companies are the second largest economic driver in the state bringing in billions of dollars to the state economy. With the cow herd at such a critically low level, Texas will start to lose infrastructure if cow numbers do not increase soon."

A series of in-depth, educational programs will be held across the state throughout the month of April, Gill said. Programs are scheduled for Midland, Yoakum, Alice, Graham, Abilene and Athens. Registration is available online at [http://](http://agriliferegister.tamu.edu)

agriliferegister.tamu.edu (keyword: beef)

Program topics include: changes in lending policies that will impact availability of capital to reinvest in cattle; balancing forage recovery with cattle inventory recovery; systematic approach to evaluating options for securing replacement females; and developing a logical and systematic system to evaluate the worth of available replacement females.

The program sessions will also include discussions on such issues as herd health, biosecurity and creating strategic inventory flexibility into an operation.

Another critical area of concern is generational turnover, Gill said. The ongoing drought has been so severe that many producers have decided to not go back into the cattle industry, he said. "It's important to long-term sustainability of the beef industry that we do not keep this range/pasture land out of cattle production," he said. "One special session will be devoted to the topic of how to develop a long-term relationship between landowners and land lessors."

Gill said there are a large number of young men and women that want to go into ranching, but do not have the capital or the experience in some cases to start an operation.

"Developing partnerships with family members or others in the community will allow a new generation of ranchers to emerge during this recovery

process," he said. "We will address this issue and the challenges that lie ahead."

The program sessions will also discuss additional uncertainty with both weather patterns and intentions of state beef producers following the devastating 2011 drought, Gill said.

"Recent surveys indicate that as many as 25 percent of producers who have sold cattle due to drought do not intend to go back into beef production and another 10 percent to 15 percent indicate they may seek alternative livestock enterprises if they do go back into production."

Gill said whether this property is taken out and put into real estate development, recreational or wildlife use or sits idle, it "will have long-term implications on the future of the Texas beef cattle industry."

Other factors such as competing land use, economics, drought and availability of financing have all contributed to decline in livestock inventories, he said.

"However, the Texas livestock industry is not solely dependent upon the livestock produced within the state," Gill said. "The stocker and finishing phases depend upon inventory that comes from a large geographical area."

In particular, Gill said the supply of calves from the southeastern states and Mexico are critical to supplying inventory to support the grazing of warm season forages during spring and summer programs and winter

Some People Have All the Luck

Editor's Note: The following article was written by Joe Kendrick of San Diego, California who sent it to local resident Ann Beeler. He is the son of the late Ike Kendrick, who served as postmaster in Cross Plains from 1932 to 1939. Vanda Anderson-Draper

Nowadays, when one of the mega lotteries roll over creating a multimillion dollar jackpot, excitement approaches the level generated by the Saturday afternoon "drawings" held in Cross Plains during the depression years. The amounts then, were somewhat smaller than those of today; a first prize of perhaps fifteen dollars, a second for ten, a third for five, followed by maybe two for two-fifty each.

But those figures loom larger when one considers that it took ten to twelve hours of shaking peanuts or equivalent labor to earn a dollar then. And even those "opportunities" were seasonal.

Saturday was shopping day, with many businesses doing more on that day than the other five days combined. The sidewalks and stores bustled with people.

By the announced time of the drawing, Main Street (in front of Higginbotham's) would be thronged, almost impassable for cars. The bed of Bert Brown's Model 'B' Ford truck matched the height of the high curb near the corner, allowing the mayor and other dignitaries to use it as an easily accessible stage for the drawing ceremonies.

One of the party would be carrying the large wire cylinder containing the tickets. The tickets were not a stiff cardboard type with serial numbers. Participants had to write their name on each one. They were printed by the *Cross Plains Review* on bond paper, and were passed out to the participating merchants in large quantities.

Several week's supply were printed at the same time. They were supposed to be distributed to customers in proportion to the amount of the purchase, but since there was no accounting to be made, it was easy to be generous. Everyone was pleased with the operation. More people appeared to be staying in town, rather than driving off to larger towns for Saturday shopping, making the merchants happy.

Before the drawing took place, there was entertainment. Louise Slaughter (Barbara Shocklee Hinkle's late mother) might be called on to perform her double

jointed act. She could clasp her hands together behind her back and rotate her arms up, over, then down in front with her fingers still firmly interwoven. Then she would reverse the procedure.

Try it sometime. She was a great favorite with the crowds, but always some were impatient to get at the business at hand. Had Louise rotated her head three or more times on her shoulders, there would have still been shouts of, "Let's get on with the drawing," before she had time to unwind.

On what turned out to be an eventful Saturday, the proceedings had reached this point. The crowd filled the east side of Main Street from Eighth Street halfway up to Ninth. Fortunately, my friends and I had gotten there early and were on the sidewalk near the center of activities. The ticket cage was given a vigorous tumbling after which a small door in one end was opened.

Louise looked away, reached in and withdrew a ticket then passed it to the mayor. There was no P.A. system and Mayor Clarence Martin, though a good public speaker, was not gifted with a command voice. Attempts to increase volume only resulted in strained hoarseness. There were several human foghorns present who could have been heard in Cross Cut and would have gladly read out the winner's names, but the mayor, a Bible scholar, was surely familiar with Isaiah 52:7 which begins, "How beautiful upon the mountains are the feet of the bearers of good tidings."

There wasn't the least chance that this task would be delegated. After scrutinizing the ticket for some time to allow suspense to build, the Mayor looked up and shouted, "Ho-bert Lee-e-e." Hobert Lee? We teenaged boys looked at each other. Who the heck was Hobert Lee? Had some out-of-towner won?

The name was relayed back through the crowd. There was a yell, then movement, someone was coming forward. It was "Preacher" Lee. This was the first time most of us had heard his real name. Smiling from ear to ear, Preacher happily claimed his prize. He looked great, as usual, in his neat khakis and Stetson hat. He was liked by everyone. Several people were heard to say that if they couldn't win, there was no one they'd rather see win than Ol' Preacher. Others voiced their agreement.

Always friendly and a hard worker, he was much admired by the young people for his abilities on roller skates. He was a

picture of grace on the rink, gliding smoothly around, backward as easily as forward.

But, back to the drawing for the second prize. The container was agitated again and Louise reached deep for her second selection. Mayor Martin repeated his over-long study of the ticket, faced the crowd and in an even more strained voice, called, "Ho-bert Lee-e-e-e." It was quiet for a few seconds, then a murmur went through the crowd. Preacher had almost gotten back to his original place. He turned, a surprised look on his face. He hesitated but someone gave him a light shove saying, "Go on, get it." The tone wasn't overly friendly.

Preacher made his way to the truck and the money was handed down to him. He glanced about, smiling nervously this time. It was easy moving back through the crowd, everyone made room for him.

The next prize was drawn and another pleased winner came forward. The crowd stood quietly in anticipation of the drawing for the last small prizes. Two dollars and fifty cents was better than nothing. The mayor didn't hesitate this time. He glanced quickly at the ticket and without looking up, croaked, "Hobert Lee." There was a roar of disapproval.

All eyes scanned the crowd, fruitlessly it turned out. Then, a block to the north on the corner below the Masonic Hall, a fast moving khaki clad figure was spotted. Preacher paused ever so briefly, then waved. A wave conveyed a three fold message: "Thanks", "No Thanks" and "So Long." Preacher passed out of view in the direction of Higginbotham's Lumber Yard, the Presbyterian Church and points beyond.

A replacement ticket was drawn for that prize and then the last, after which the crowd dispersed. Preacher laid low for a week or two, but no one could stay mad at him for long. Actually, in the circles I moved in, he was a hero of sorts. He never told us how he did it, but we had an idea. His brother Dave was employed by Peyton Smith to keep the drug store open in the late evening hours. Preacher would often wait there and they would go home together. So with nothing else to do, he spent the time writing his name on tickets, then managed to disperse them into different collection boxes. He probably had hopes of winning maybe one prize and was amazed as the rest of us by the magnitude of his overkill.

Pioneer Ex-Student Reunion Slated for Saturday, May 26th

The Pioneer Ex-student Association will meet Saturday, May 26 at the Cross Plains Community Center for their 92nd Reunion. Registration begins at 9 a.m. with complimentary coffee and donuts to enjoy while visiting friends and family. An exhibition of photos taken at last year's 91st reunion and other photos can be viewed from 9 to 10:30 a.m. The business meeting begins at 10:30 a.m. Sandwiches, fruit, dessert and drinks will be served immediately after the meeting at a cost of \$5.00.

A memorial service will be held for those ex-students, friends and family passing from this life during the period May 28, 2011 to May 25, 2012. Family members will be offered the opportunity to participate. Please send names and dates of those who should be remembered in

this memorial service to the Secretary-Treasurer at the address below.

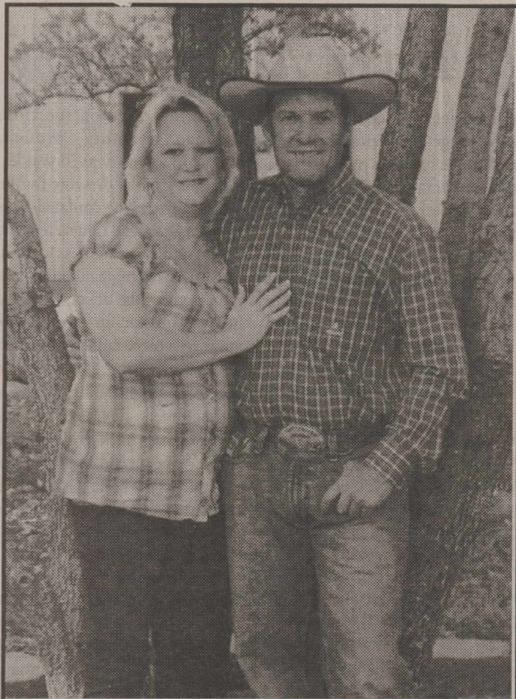
Information on the Pioneer Historical (Cemetery) Association will be available as well as an update on the repair and upgrade of the Pioneer Community Center (old Pioneer School home economics building).

Plan now to attend the Pioneer Ex-Student Reunion on Saturday, May 26th at the Cross Plains Community Center and invite your family and friends. As always, bring your personal photos or other memorabilia commemorating our times at Pioneer.

Submitted by
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AUSTIN - In continuing a proud tradition of honoring hardworking generations of Texas farmers and ranchers, Agriculture Commissioner Todd Staples invites families to apply for the Texas Department of Agriculture's Family Land Heritage (FLH) Program.

The program recognizes family farms and ranches that have been in continuous agricultural production by the same family for at least 100 years. Applications are due May 1, 2012.

"Through generations of hard work, perseverance and love of the land, these families have operated their farms and ranches for 100 years or more, making Texas a powerhouse of agricultural productivity," Commissioner Staples said.

"This commitment to the land is the foundation on which Texas agriculture is built, and thanks to these families and their ancestors, the Lone Star State today stands as a recognized producer of the finest food and fiber in the world."

This year's Family Land

Heritage ceremony will be held in the fall at the Texas Capitol in Austin and will recognize farms and ranches established in 1912 or earlier.

Eligible farms and ranches must still be owned and operated by the descendants of the founder, either through blood, marriage or adoption.

At least 10 acres of the land must be in continuous agricultural production for the past 100 years or more. There is no cost to apply for the recognition.

To date, TDA has recognized more than 4,500 properties in 237 counties across Texas. Fayette County, with 151 family operations honored, has been recognized more than any other county since the FLH program began.

Applications for the 2012 Family Land Heritage recognition are available for download at www.TexasAgriculture.gov by clicking Family Land Heritage under the I Need To... section.

For more information, you can also e-mail Lance.Williams@TexasAgriculture.gov.

Now Taking Fish Orders

The Callahan Divide Soil & Water Conservation District is NOW taking orders for their Annual Fish Program. Each year the District offers these fish to the general public on a first come, first serve basis at a very inexpensive price.

These fish come from the Arms Fish Farm out of Dublin, Texas. Supplies are limited so get your orders in EARLY!!!!

This year's selection of fish includes Bluegill, Hybrid Bream, Red Ear, Grass Carp, Largemouth Bass, Catfish, Crappie and Goldfish. In addition they are

also offering Red Horse Minnows, Fathead and Gold Shiners.

Fish orders will be taken thru May 25, 2012 or until supplies run out. The fish will be delivered to Baird. Pick up dates will be announced later. All orders are pre-paid with a check or money order.

For more information, contact the Natural Resources Conservation office in Baird at 325-854-1349 Ext. 3. The office in Baird is located at 141 West 4th Street—Suite B.

National Telecommunicators Week is April 8th - 14th

The Callahan County Sheriff's office Dispatchers/911 operators will be celebrating National Telecommunicators Week the 2nd full week in April. The Callahan County Dispatch Center employs eight Dispatcher/911 call-takers who answer and dispatch all EMS, Law Enforcement and fire calls for the County. If it happens in this County, it will come to one of these people first. Their job is a huge responsibility and can, at times, be very stressful. These eight people are highly trained and skilled at what they do and have a definite love of the job given them. You always hear of the great job done by officers and EMS and the fire departments, but these people, the people who take the calls, deal with the situation first and are responsible for seeing that the necessary assistance gets to the scene in a timely manner. They also have to determine what is needed while not being able to assess the scene visually. These call-takers are trained at this skill and attend hours of continuing education each year. Communications supervisor Ronnie Broadus says "these call-takers are the true unsung heroes that help protect and serve the citizens of Callahan County and the cities within." If you see one of the call-takers, be sure and tell them "thanks for a job well done." Sheriff Windham is very proud of his staff and the job they do and appreciates each and every one of them.



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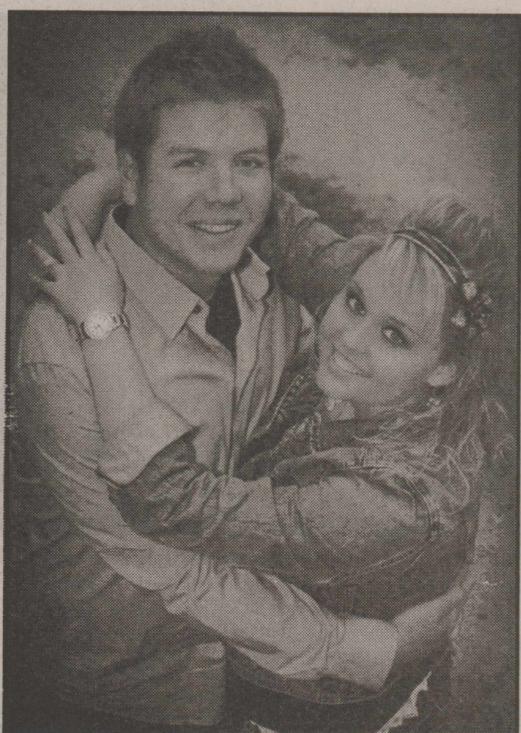
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Seth Michael Houghton and Hayli Foster

Hoyt and Tonjia Foster of Cross Plains have the pleasure of announcing the engagement of their daughter, Hayli to Seth Michael Houghton, son of Mike and Carol Houghton of Abilene, TX. Hayli graduated from Hardin Simmons University, and is employed by First Financial Bank as a recruiting and staffing specialist. Seth attended Abilene Christian University and is employed with the City of Abilene. The couples' wedding is planned for June 23, 2012 in Granbury, TX.

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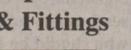
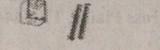


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