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DECEMBER 13, 2012



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CROSS PLAINS, CALLAHAN COUNTY, TEXAS 76443

NUMBER 40



Winner of 12 Gauge Browning Shotgun — Audrey Purvis (left) and Ron Bell (far right) presented the rifle to Diego Valdez of Clyde. Proceeds from the fundraiser benefit programs at the Cross Plains American Legion Post #423.

Best Decorated Homes:

1st Place

Randy and Dena Strickland

2nd Place

Rusty and Debbie Reed

Best Decorated Businesses:

1st Place

Higginbotham's

2nd Place

City of Cross Plains
1st Places won display sign and \$50

2nd Places won \$25



Annual Cross Plains I.S.D. Christmas Concert

Thursday, December 13th
6:00 p.m. at Auditorium

Kindergarten - 12th Grade
Will Perform
under the direction of
Matt Sowell

Everyone is Welcome!!!!

2012 All District Football Team Named

Cross Plains Buffaloes who were recognized as outstanding players and named to the 2012 All District Teams are as follows:

Offensive MVP - Blake Hutchins

Utility Player - Tristen Stephenson

1st Team Offense
Fullback - Justin Willis
Offensive Line - Jeff King

1st Team Defense
Defensive Tackle - Sheldon Libey
Defensive End - Micheal Carpenter
Linebacker - Justin Willis
Safety - Colton McWilliams

2nd Team Offense
Tightend - Josh Branch
Offensive Line - Preston Posuk

2nd Team Defense
Defensive Tackle - Jeff King
Defensive End - Josh Branch
Linebacker - Blake Hutchins
Corner - Chris French
Kicker - Blake Hutchins

Honorable Mention
Corner - Alex Jackson
Linebacker - Dakota Gilliam
Offensive Line - Micheal Carpenter
Offensive Line - Riley Lawrence

The 2012 Academic All District include:

Stephen Saltus
Tristen Stephenson
Cutter Halsel
Micheal Carpener
Riley Lawrence
Sheldon Libey.

Congratulations to every player for their achievements during the football season.

Cottonwood Fire Control Bake Sale is This Saturday

This Saturday, December 15, is the Annual Holiday Bake Sale for the Cottonwood Volunteer Fire Control in front of Lowe's Market. The bake sale starts at 9:00 a.m.

Come by and pick up some Christmas treats—including sugar free cakes and goodies, banana bread, pecan pie and other holiday favorites.

Proceeds from the bake sale go

toward the repair and maintenance on the brush trucks and the water truck.

If you have a cake, pie or other baked good that you'd like to donate for the sale, you can bring it by the bake sale on Saturday morning or call 254-725-7369 to arrange for the Fire Control Group to pick the baked good up on Friday.

Reception for Sheriff John Windham is Friday

Please come and wish Sheriff John Windham good luck in the future and thank him for the service he has given Callahan County.

Sheriff Windham first served Callahan County as a Dispatcher/Jailer, then as Deputy Sheriff from September 13, 1993 until May 8, 2002, at that time moving to the City Marshal's Office, still serving the citizens of Callahan County.

Sheriff Windham then ran for Sheriff of Callahan County, taking office January 1, 2009 and will serve as Sheriff until Decem-

ber 31, 2012.

Many improvements and changes came about during Sheriff Windham's term in office. He and his staff are proud of the accomplishments made during his term.

Be sure to come by and say good luck to Sheriff John Windham and his family. He will be greatly missed.

The reception will be Friday, December 14th from 1:00 p.m. until 3:00 p.m. in the District Courthouse in Baird. Coffee, punch and cake will be served.

Blood Drive at First Baptist Church on December 18

Donors needed to supply blood during holiday season

A blood drive will take place in Cross Plains on Tuesday, December 18. The Meek Blood Center bloodmobile will be at First Baptist Church from 1:00 p.m. until 6:00 p.m.

"We are entering a time of the year when donations tend to drop off due to holiday activities," said Frances Baker, donor recruiter. "I would like to remind everyone that the need for blood never takes a holiday."

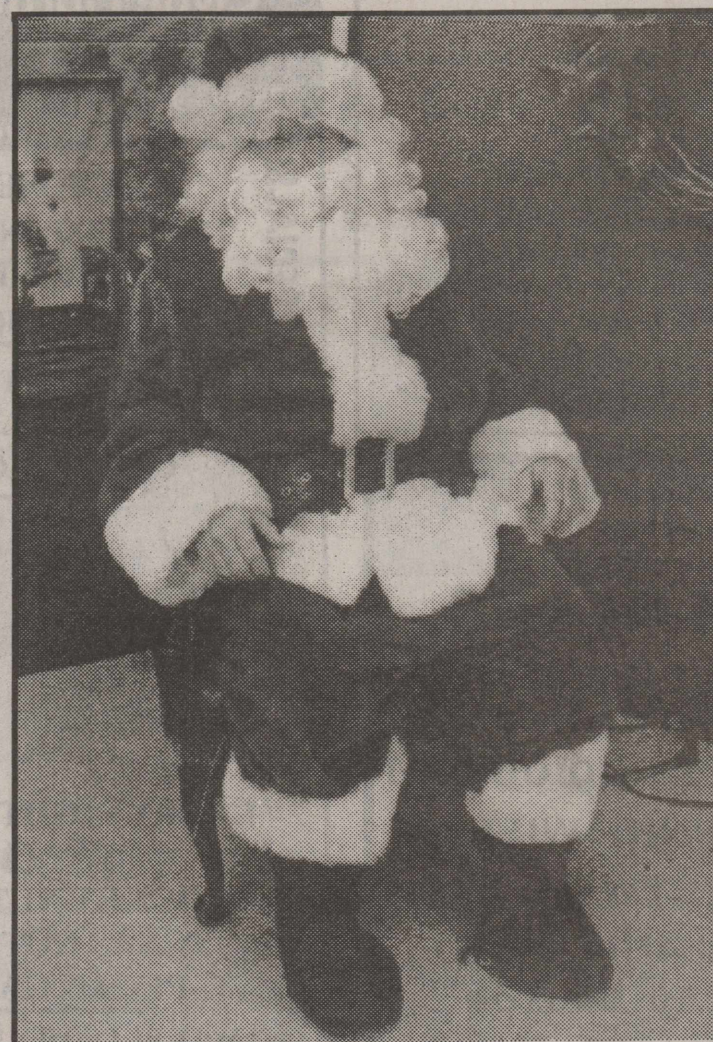
Blood donors are needed on a daily basis to take care of patients with a variety of medical needs and conditions. The need for a

blood transfusion is usually immediate and adequate supply of all blood types that has been processed and tested must be available at all times.

There is no artificial substitute for human blood. All blood products used for blood transfusions must come from volunteer donors. Meek Blood Center supplies all of the blood used for patient care at seventeen area hospitals covering fourteen counties. Each donor will receive a mini-physical, cholesterol test and a T-shirt.



Plaque Presentation for Business of the Month — Business of the Month Plaque presentation to Susan J. Schaefer, CPA. Selected for the month of December. From left to right Lexia Bagley, Rickie Jo Potter Brown, Joyce Osteen, Susan J. Schaefer, Erik Woodard, Starla Neighbors, and Connie Kirkham.



Santa Comes to Town — Children eagerly greeted Mr. Clause at the Kiwanis Stew Super. See additional photos page 11.

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COTTONWOOD BAPTIST CHURCH

Sunday School.....9:45 AM
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Pastor Max Evans

For Information Call (254) 725-7418

Pioneer Baptist Church

Pastor:

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Sunday School.....10:00am

Sunday Morning Worship.....11:00am

Sunday Evening Worship.....6:00pm

Wednesday Prayer Service.....7:00pm

Rowden Baptist Church

Pastor: Wayne Lenz

Music: Karen Lenz & Diane Woods

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Sunday Morning Worship...11:00 am

2990 Highway 36 at Rowden 12 Miles West of Cross Plains

First United Methodist Church

Kevin Morton, Pastor

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Sunday School

Sunday Worship

9:30 a.m.

10:45 a.m.

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Cross Plains Church of Christ

433 North Main Street

Cross Plains, Texas 76443

Minister: RICK AUSTIN

Sunday:

Bible Class: 9:45 A.M.

Worship: 10:45 A.M.

Evening Worship: 6:00P.M.

Wednesday Evening: 7:00 P.M.

Ladies Class - Wednesday: 10:00 A.M. (at the church activity center on east Hwy 36)

They are studying from a book written by Lottie Beth Hobbs entitled - "Your Best Friend" and when completed with that study they will start with her book - "If You Would See Good Days"

First Presbyterian Church

SUNDAY SERVICE 9:00 AM

MUSIC- CONNIE SWIFT

& BETTY LEWIS

LEAD SINGERS: 4HIS GLORY

Pastor Kathy Monroe

208 N. Ave. D

Obituaries

Bobby Joe Tongate

Bobby Joe Tongate, age 82, of Brownwood went to be with the Lord on Friday, December 7, 2012.

Graveside services were held at 2 p.m. Wednesday, December 12 at Cross Cut Cemetery in Cross Cut, Texas, with Tony King officiating.

Bobby was born on September 5, 1930, in Cross Cut, to Percy L. and Loyda I. Newton Griffin and had lived in Brownwood for the last 20 years. She was an avid artist who worked in oil painting, China painting, stone sculpture and ceramics. She owned and operated Green Valley Ceramics in Brownwood for many years and was a member of Victory Baptist Church.

Survivors include her step-daughter, Janet Lea Beach of Panama City Beach, Florida; nieces Teresa Sue Tiner and her husband Bruce of Brownwood, Barbara Cassidy and husband John of Colt City, Arkansas, Betty Forrester and husband Wayne of Brownwood and Tracy Gail Feoli and husband Carol of Staten Island, NY; nephews Ben Lawson, Jr. of Brownwood, Willie Lawson of Brownwood, Jason Earl Cansler and wife Sonya of San Angelo; and step-granddaughter Tiffany Lea Allgood of Dawsonville, Georgia.

Tommy N. Brown

Tommy N. Brown, age 58, of Cross Plains, passed away Saturday, December 11, 2012, at his home. Memorial services were held at 10:00 a.m. Tuesday, December 11, 2012 at First Baptist Church in Cross Plains with Max Evans officiating.

Tommy was born to Roland "Buck" and Joan (Weiss) Brown on January 28, 1954 in Abilene, Texas. He graduated from Cross Plains High School. Tommy was retired from 3-M in Brownwood where he was employed for many years.

He was preceded in death by his son Billy Buck Brown, his brother Stevie Brown and his father Roland "Buck" Brown.

Survivors include his son Jeffery Brown of Waco; mother Joan Brown of Cross Plains; sisters Charlotte Lee and husband Robert and Shirley Davis and husband Bobby, all of Cross Plains; two grandchildren Kinley and Kaiden Brown; and many nieces and nephews.

Forest Samuel Hill

Forest Samuel Hill, affectionately known as "Papa" by his grandchildren and great-grandchildren, passed away to be with the Lord on Wednesday, December 5, 2012, in Waco. Funeral services were held Saturday, December 8, 2012 at 11 a.m. at Elmwood Funeral Home in Abilene. Burial was in Elmwood Gardens in Abilene.

He was born October 17, 1920 in Cross Plains, Texas to Sam and Bessie Slough Hill. Forest was a charter member of Pioneer Drive Baptist Church in Abilene, where he served a number of years both as a deacon and as a Sunday School teacher, and in numerous other positions of Christian service throughout his life. He lived in Abilene over twenty years where he raised his family and owned and operated a mechanical contracting business. He served our country in the U.S. Navy in World War II in the Iwo Jima Theater. He will be remembered for his legacy of leadership and for his commitment to his faith, his family and his community.

Forest was preceded in death by his wife of sixty years, Evelyn Hill, his son Michael Hill, his sisters Marie Merrell, Wanda McKeever and his brother John D. Hill. After Evelyn's passing, he later married Audrey Booth, who also preceded him in death.

Donations may be made in his memory at Pioneer Drive Baptist Church, 701 S. Pioneer Dr., Abilene, Texas 79605.

"Cross Plains Remembered" Volumes Make GREAT!!!!!! Christmas Gifts

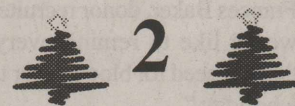
Cross Plains Remembered Volume 1, 2 and 3 are available at Texas Heritage Bank, the Senior Center, Salamander's, Lawrence Farm and Ranch Supply, Cross Plains Review, Cross Plains Public Library and Connie's Cuts and Curls. The books are \$20.00 each and would make wonderful Christmas gifts. You can complete someone's collection, start with Volume 1 or send the entire collection. There are limited numbers of Volume 1 and 2.

To order specify which Volume(s) you are requesting along with \$20 each book, plus \$4.50 shipping for one; shipping for two books is \$6.00 and three books \$8.00 to:

Barbarian Festival Committee
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WE WILL BE CLOSED DEC. 24TH & 25TH FOR THE CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS!
HAVE A SAFE & MERRY CHRISTMAS!!

Courthouse News

Callahan County Court Roger Corn, presiding

Misdemeanor Filings

Ruben Casarez, driving while intoxicated (DWI).

Misdemeanor Minutes

Steven L. Smith, motion to dismiss to possession of marijuana granted in the interest of justice.

Daniel L. Allison, motion to dismiss to theft granted for plea to other case.

Andrew Athamaten, plea of guilty to theft by check, 30 days in jail, \$100 fine, \$314 court costs.

Stacey L. McClasston, order amending conditions of probation granted.

Gary Petty, plea of guilty to theft by check, 40 days in jail, \$100 fine, \$364 court costs.

Oscar B. Salmeron, order amending conditions of probation granted.

Timothy D. Freeman, motion to dismiss to driving while license invalid (DWLI) granted for plea to other case.

42nd District Court John Weeks, presiding

Civil Filings

Jim Tom Beeman and Hope Hazel Beeman, divorce.

Eddy Don Edmondson vs. West Texas Gas, Inc., debt contract.

Laci Leanne Bean and Eric Ray Bean, divorce.

Civil Minutes

Charles Branaman and Terr Nicole Branaman, divorce granted.

Mindy Nicole Mills and Nicholas Sean Mills, divorce granted.

Chisholm Live Oak Ranch, LTD vs. Haechten Crop Insurance, agreed order of dismissal with prejudice granted.

State of Texas vs. Ezequiel Becerra, final default judgment of forfeiture granted.

Blake Fulenwider Chrysler Dodge Jeep, LTD vs. RMW Marketing LLC, default judgment granted, plaintiff to recover the balance of \$17,800 from defendant.

Target National Bank vs. Heather Vernon, order on plaintiff's motion for summary judgment granted, plaintiff to recover the sum of \$9,699.99 from defendant.

Midland Funding LLC vs. Lorita Matthews, order on plaintiff's motion for non-suit granted without prejudice.

SWCD Now Taking Windbreak Tree Orders until January 31, 2012

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

These windbreak trees come fresh from the Texas Forest Service Nursery out of Idalou, Texas. This year's selection of available trees include a variety of evergreens. They are: Afghanistan Pine, Pinyon Pine and Austrian Pine. These Evergreen Seedlings are being offered for 5 for \$20.00 or \$105.00 for a box of 30 per species.

In addition to the Evergreens, a variety of bare-rooted hardwood seedlings are being offered this year. The list includes,

Bur Oak, Redbud and Pecan.

These hardwood seedlings are offered in bundles of 5 for \$20.00 or 25 for \$65.00.

Orders will be taken until January 31, 2013 expected delivery date on February 15, 2013.

All orders are pre-paid with check or money order. These trees are delivered fresh from the Texas Forest Service Nursery.

For more information on planning, planting and maintenance of windbreak trees or how to purchase these low cost seedlings contact the Callahan Divide Soil & Water Conservation District, Texas at (325) 854-1349 Extension 3.

The office in Baird is located at 141 W. 4th - Suite B.

Department of Motor Vehicles

Will Be Closed

December 24, 25, 26th for Christmas.

It will be closed December 31, and January 1st, for New Year.

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First Baptist Church

Sunday School

Sunday 9:30 am

Sunday

Morning Worship

Evening Small

10:45 a.m.

Groups

Wednesday 6:00 p.m.

6:30 pm Prayer/Worship

Youth Bible Study 6:30 p.m.

Children's Power Hour

6:30 p.m.

Ronnie B. White, Pastor

Tim Tolosa/Music/Education Minister

(254) 725-7629 3rd & Main, Cross Plains, TX 76443

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Cottonwood News

Beverly Brown

With the nice cool weather, everyone is thinking about Christmas! The Christmas trees are really selling over at the Childress Farms. If you haven't gotten your tree yet, you might want to check them out. They also have pecans.

The Cottonwood Volunteer Fire Control Group Bake Sale is this Saturday, December 15 at Lowe's Market in Cross Plains. Breakfast tacos and free coffee will be available. Sugar free cakes, pecan pies, banana bread, Christmas cakes and lots of other holiday goodies will be on sale. If you'd like to bake something

for the bake sale, we'd greatly appreciate it and we'll even come and pick it up. Give me a call at 254-725-7369. Be sure to stop by and see us at the bake sale.

Wallace Bennett and former Cottonwood resident R.L. Barnett were two of the World War II veterans honored at the Senior Citizens Center last Friday on Pearl Harbor Day. Wallace served in the Navy during World War II, and then served with the Army during the Korean and Vietnam Wars. R.L. served with the U.S. Army.

Quite a few Cottonwood folks

went down to the Senior Center Friday night for the Kiwanis Stew Night and Santa Claus. Cottonwood Kiwanis members and stew cooks, Arnie and Diane Smith, Adrian and Sheila Allen, and Bob and Marsha Ossowski, did a great job.

Matt and Mandy Sowell, along with Rhonda and Connie Swift, better known as 4His Glory, will be performing their Annual Christmas Cantata "All is Well" on Sunday, December 16th at the Presbyterian Church in Cross Plains. The performance starts at 7 p.m.

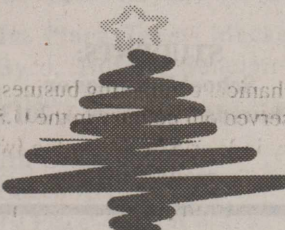
WIN a 51 Inch Television

Just in time for Christmas..... how would you like a 51" TV delivered to your home?

The Cross Plains Senior Citizens Center is offering chances for you to win a Samsung television. The drawing will be held at 5:00 p.m. on December 21, so you could have it setup by the time family gathered at your house for Christmas.

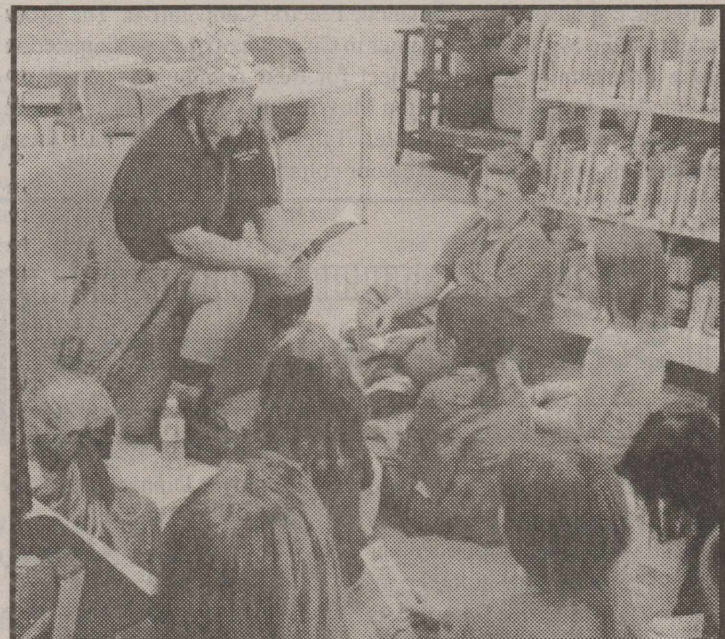
The tickets are \$2.00 each or 3 for \$5.00 and all proceeds benefit the Senior Citizens Center. Tickets are available at Texas Heritage Bank, Cross Plains City Hall and Cross Plains Senior Center. If you need more information, come by 108 N. Main St. or call (254) 725-6521.

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The Mystical Mountains of Terra — The Cross Plains Public Library's After School Adventure Program (ASAP) last week presented author K-Trina Meador reading *The Mystical Mountains of Terra*, written by Ngaire Elder, to the attending twenty (20) students. K-Trina was adorably in character as Cecilia Sparks, a girl who loved being outside climbing trees, digging for treasure and bug hunting, and creating her own imaginary adventures. Everyone enjoyed participating in Cecilia's escapades and explorations.



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Christmas Open House at the Kirkhams

Please Bless us with your presence. With food, fellowship and friends. On Saturday, December 15th from 6-7:30

Come One Come All!

Bubba's BBQ Smokehouse

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10:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m. Monday thru Saturday

Sandwiches --(brisket/sausage/chicken).....Sm. or Lg.....	\$4.00 & \$5.00
Turkey Legs.....	\$6.00
Chips (Lay's or Cheeto's).....	\$1.00
Tea & Sodas(coke, diet coke, dr. pepper, diet dr.pepper, pepsi, diet pepsi or sprite)..	\$1.79
Peach Cobbler..... 4 oz. \$.99..... pint \$5.00	

Plates: (All plates come with 2 Sides)

#1..(1) Meat (1/2 lb)....	\$8.99	#2..(2) Meat (3/4 lb)....	\$10.99	#3..(3) Meat (1 lb)....	\$12.99
Combo Meal #1 - Large BBQ Sandwich, Chips, Drink.....\$6.50					
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WATCH for BUBBA'S FAMOUS PINK PIG!!

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Brisket.....\$9.00 lb	Potato Salad, Beans & Cornbread, Coleslaw Single Serving.....\$.99	Pickles, Onions, Jalapenos, BBQ Sauce, Hot-N-Spicy Sauce and Mustard
Sausage (Hot/Mild).....\$9.00 lb	1/2 Pint.....\$2.00	
Ribs.....\$9.00 lb	Pint.....\$4.00	
Chicken Breast.....\$5.50 lb		(Tax Not Included)

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Library Notes

Library Hours
Monday 1 p.m. - 5 p.m.
Tuesday 11 a.m. - 7 p.m.
Wednesday 1 p.m. - 5 p.m.
Thursday 1 p.m. - 5 p.m.
CLOSED FRIDAY

December 3-6, 2012

Patrons	165
Books Checked Out	163
Programs	55
GED Class	17
Lap	6
Lapsit	4
Other	28
Copies	48
Internet	41
Interlibrary Loans	2
Reference	15

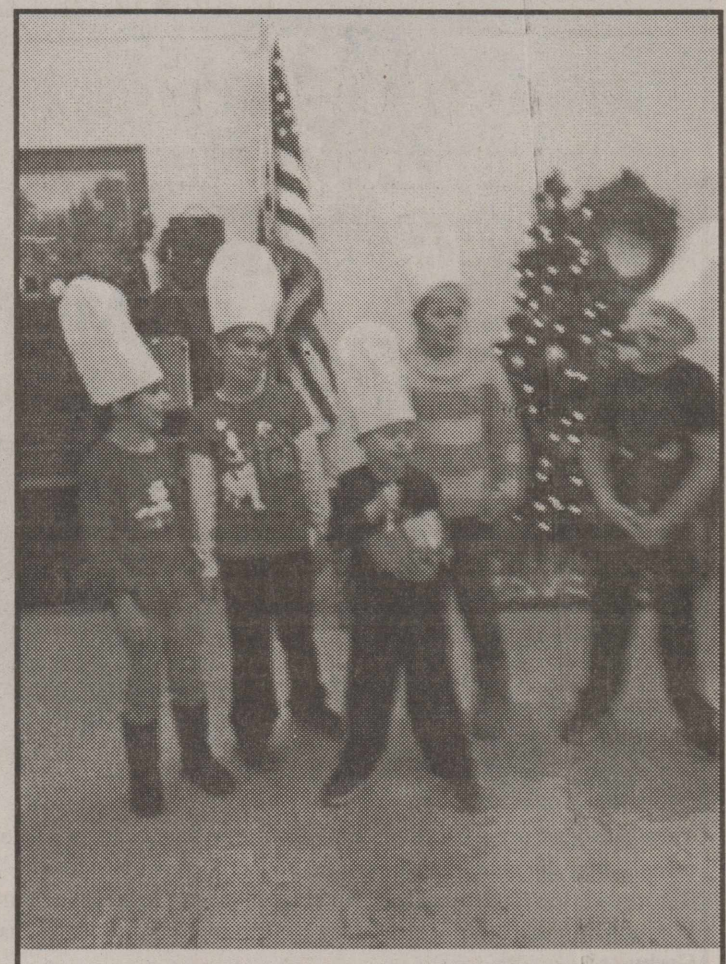
Donations
J.B. Eubank
Anne E. Jolliff
Bob and Lavonne Childress

Book and Miscellaneous Donations
Janeen Jones
Tamora Burns
Curt and Ginny Hoskins
Carol Walt
Dale and Vernelle Bishop

Volunteers
Azalee Womack
Beverly Ross
Sue Bennett
Helen Parson

Want to be a Santa's Helper ?

Our Senior Citizens are often alone at Christmas and we are looking for Santa's helpers to fill their wish lists or just be willing to go by and visit for a few minutes. If you are interested in brightening the holiday season for men and women of our aging population, please contact Dannes Turner or Vivian Wooten at (254) 725-6521



Children Bring Christmas Cheer to Senior Citizens — The Senior Citizens Center was entertained Monday, December 10, with a group of boys and girls that are homeschooled by Shirley Smith and Kami Wells. They performed Christmas music including Happy Birthday Jesus, with a solo by Bailey Wells, that brought smiles to everyone that heard their sweet voices making beautiful music. Their talent was a wonderful gift to the Seniors during this season of giving. Pictured from left are: Hayley King, Hannah King, Ethan Braun, Bailey Wells, and Elijah Wells.

SENIOR CITIZEN CENTER ACTIVITIES:

DECEMBER 17 - 21

Monday, 17th - EXERCISE 11:00

Tuesday, 18th - OPEN HOUSE 10:00-2:00/ Game Night 6:00

Wednesday, 19th - EXERCISE 11:00/Birthday Party/ Girling Foot Care

Thursday, 20th - Exercise 11:00/ 3rd Graders 9:00 & 12:30

Friday, 21st - Exercise 11:00

HOME DELIVERED MEALS MUST CALL TO ORDER, AND OR CANCEL A MEAL NO LATER THAN 10:00 A.M.

Do you have any talents that you would like to share? Call the Senior Citizens Center at 254-725-6521 so you can share your talent with the Seniors during lunch time.

SENIOR CITIZENS MENU

December 17 - 21

MONDAY-Hamburger Steak/Gravy/Potatoes/Turnip Greens/Bread/Dessert	THURSDAY- Chicken Strips/Potatoes/Gravy/Lima Beans/Bread/Dessert/Drink
TUESDAY-Hawaiian Chicken/Steamed Rice/Broccoli/Fruit Salad/Bread/Drink	FRIDAY-Potato Soup//1/2 Turkey Sandwich/Crackers/Dessert/Drink
WEDNESDAY -Baked Ham/Green Beans Cass./Candied Yams/Cornbread/Salad/Pumpkin Pie/Drink	



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Varsity Boys Pose with their Medals — The Varsity Boys basketball pose with their second place medals after the championship game in the Zephyr tournament. Team includes Tyler Henderson, (far right), Joe Holland, Blake Hutchins, Tristen Stephenson, Chris French, Colton McWilliams, Dakota Gilliam, Cutter Halsel, Josh Branch (not pictured) and Justin Willis. Coached by Dade Cosby.

Buffaloes Take 2nd Place in Zephyr Tournament

The Cross Plains Buffaloes basketball team put together a good three day run in the Zephyr Tournament December 6th-8th. The Buffaloes played well enough to earn second place overall.

In game one, the Buffaloes faced 2A opponent Dublin. Cross Plains was able to lock down Dublin's sharp shooter with the help of junior Tristen Stephenson and senior Joe Holland, stepping up to defend him.

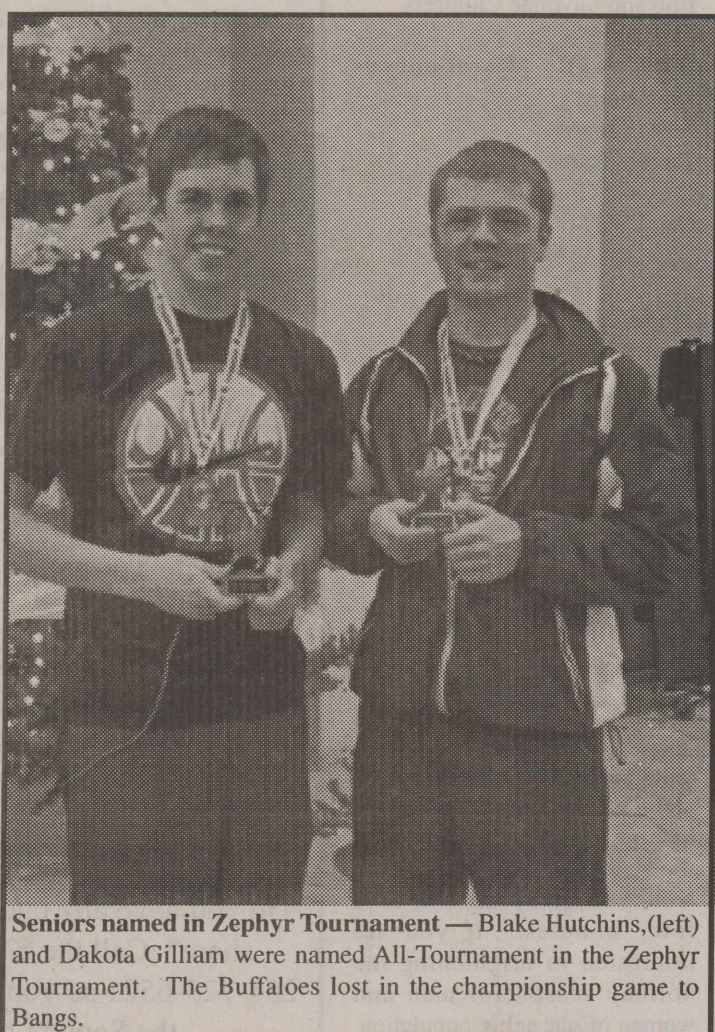
The rest of the Buffaloes played their part to bring down the rest of the team and came away with a 48-41 win to advance to the second round.

Dakota Gilliam and Joe Holland had a big game in the win, Gilliam netted 13 and Holland followed with 10. The win would set up a re-match versus #16 Zephyr, who defeated the Buffaloes just three days before by the score of 36-22.

The game was a battle between the two and it would take an extra period for the Buffaloes to down Zephyr, 41-34. Josh Branch and Dakota Gilliam would net two buckets each during the extra period, to outscore Zephyr 8-1 to clinch the victory.

Gilliam was the point leader with 18 and Henderson would chip in 7 to lead the Buffaloes. Blake Hutchins and Dakota Gilliam combined to pull down 31 total rebounds. The tandem teamed up to score 25 points, 31 rebounds, 8 assists, 6 steals and 4 blocks to send the Buffaloes into the championship game to take on the Bangs Dragons.

The Saturday match up was not as nice to the Buffaloes, as they failed to control the ball and get quality shots as they fell in a defensive battle 42-31. Gilliam lead the Buffaloes in scoring for the third straight game of the



Seniors named in Zephyr Tournament — Blake Hutchins, (left) and Dakota Gilliam were named All-Tournament in the Zephyr Tournament. The Buffaloes lost in the championship game to Bangs.

tournament with 8, and Henderson netted 5 to lead the Buffaloes.

Dakota Gilliam averaged a double—double with points and rebounds in the three games averaging 14 points and 11 rebounds. He also averaged 2 blocks per game over the three day contest. His effort would land him All-Tournament honors alongside teammate Blake Hutchins. Hutchins averaged 5 point, 11 rebounds, 4 steals, 4 assist and 1.3 blocks.

Game 1 vs Dublin

	1	2	3	4	F
Dublin	7	9	10	15	41
CP	5	12	15	16	48

Henderson 1, Hutchins 7, Holland 10, French 6, Gilliam 13, Branch 9, Willis 2

Game 2 vs #16 Zephyr

	1	2	3	4	OT	F
CP	4	8	8	13	8	41
Zephyr	7	5	8	13	1	33

Henderson 7, Hutchins 6, Holland 4, McWilliams 2, Gilliam 18, Branch 4

Championship Game vs Bangs

	1	2	3	4	F
Bangs	13	10	6	11	42
CP	7	8	8	8	31

Henderson 5, Hutchins 4, Holland 4, Stephenson 1, French 3, Gilliam 8, Halsel 2, Willis 4



Leadership Conference Sponsored By CECA — Eight students from the Cross Plains Junior Class attended a one day Leadership Conference sponsored by Comanche Electric Cooperative. The Cross Plains students joined 64 other students at the Myrtle Wilks Center in Cisco where they participated in leadership activities and planned a Community Action Project for their community. Students attending were — Top Row: Texas Sanders, Justin Willis, Colton McWilliams, Cutter Halsel; Bottom Row; Nicole Eisenbach, Tisten Stephenson, Michael Carpenter, Tyler Henderson. Contact these students to see how you can help with their project to improve your community.

School Christmas Holidays

Thursday, December 20
School dismisses at 1:00 p.m.
Buses run at 1:10 p.m.

Christmas Holidays
Dec. 21 through January 1

Teachers & Staff
Wednesday,
January 2, 2013
Day for Staff Development

STUDENTS:
School Resumes on
Thursday, January 3, 2013
at the regular time

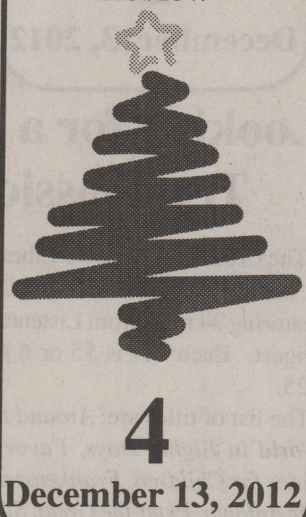
SCHOOL BOARD MEETING

A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Cross Plains I.S.D. will be held on December 12, 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:

- Open Forum
 - Recognize Elementary Teacher and Students of the Month
- New Business
 - Consider 2011-12 Financial Audit (Cam Gulley)
 - Approve Minutes from Previous Meeting
 - Review Bills/Finance Report
 - Consider Taking Bids for a New Roof for the Campus
- Superintendent's Report
 - Band Concert in Auditorium Thursday, Dec. 13 at 6 p.m.

- Employee Dinner - Thursday Dec. 13 at 7:30 p.m.
 - Waiver to UIL for a Student was Successful
 - Elementary and Jr. High were Both Champions in UIL Academics
 - End of Course Exams Will Not Be Included in Final Calculations of Grades for at Least Another Year
 - Sign Diplomas
 - January Board Meeting?
 - Superintendent's Contract and Appraisal (January)
 - February Board Meeting - Board Training
 - Adjourn
- This notice was posted in compliance with the Open Meetings Act on December 7, 2012, at 3:00 p.m. by Phil Mitchell for the Board of Trustees.

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Semester Exam Schedule December 2012

Tuesday, December 18:

2nd Period Exam: 8-9:10 a.m.
4th Period Exam: 9:20 - 10:30 a.m.
6th Period Exam: 10:40 - 11:50 a.m.

JH Lunch: 11:50 - 12:20

HS students w/5A p teacher
HS Lunch 12:20 - 12:50 -
JH students 2/5B p teacher
12:50 - 2:00 - all students with their 3rd period teacher

Wednesday, December 19

1st Period Exam: 8:00 - 9:10 a.m.
3rd Period Exam: 9:20 - 10:30 a.m.
5-A & 5B Period Exam: 10:40 - 11:50 a.m.
JH Lunch: 11:50 - 12:20 - HS students w/ 7th p teacher
HS Lunch: 12:20 - 12:50 JH students w/7th p teacher
12:50-1:15 - all students w/7th p teacher
1:20-2:00 all w/8th p teacher

Thursday, December 20

7th Period Exam: 8:00 - 9:15
8th Period Exam: 9:25 - 10:40
10:45-11:11:50: JH Students with their 2nd Period Teachers
10:45 - 11:50 and 11:50-12:20: HS Students with 4th p teacher

JH Lunch 11:50-12:20

HS Lunch 12:20-12:50 (stay outside until 1 p.m. dismissal)
12:20 - 1:00: JH Students with their 2nd period teachers

Monday, December 17 is regular schedule,
Tuesday & Wednesday - Release at 2:00 p.m.
Thursday Release at 1:00 p.m.
NO School Friday, December 21st



Cross Plains FFA Members Deliver Fruit to the Fort Worth Night Shelter — Four Cross Plains FFA members traveled to Ft. Worth on December 6 to the Presbyterian Night Shelter to deliver 80 boxes of fruit that was purchased and donated by Mrs. Mary Lowe of Ft. Worth and Cottonwood Texas. The members were Brayden Kennedy, Kelbi Hyles, Tyler Wright, Kelli Bennett and advisor Marc Morgan. They also accompanied by Mrs. Lowe, who shared many stories about the facility and individuals that she has met over the years.

While at the shelter, the students were given a tour of the facilities, helped prepare a portion of the noon meal, sorted and handed out blankets that had been donated to the shelter, and also had one of the clients talk to the students about his situation and what the students needed to do to avoid being in that type of situation. This was a very true to life educational experience for the students and advisor.

CROSS PLAINS SCHOOL MENU

DECEMBER 17-21 BREAKFAST

Monday - Biscuit & Sausage
Assorted juice & Milk
Tuesday - Toast Pastry & Yogurt, Assorted juice & Milk
Wednesday - Pancakes & Sausage, Assorted juice & Milk
Thursday - Cereal & Toast, Assorted juice & Milk
Friday - Happy Holidays!

LUNCH

Monday - Pizza, Garden Salad, Fresh Veggie Cup, Mixed Fruit
Tuesday - Steak Fingers w/ gravy/ Whipped Potatoes, Green Beans, Apple-Pineapple D'light, Roll
Wednesday - Chicken Quesadillas, Black Beans, Baby Carrots, Orange Smiles, Salsa
Thursday - Chicken and Broccoli Penne, Garden Salad, Baby Carrots, Apple Slices, Bread Sticks
Friday - Happy Holiday!



Champion UIL Participants — Cross Plains J.H.

Cross Plains Junior High UIL Academic Contest Results

On Tuesday, December 4, 2012, Cross Plains 7th and 8th Graders went to Rising Star to compete in Academic UIL Contests. There were 38 students who competed and the lists of winning teams are below. Congratulations to the Cross Plains Junior High UIL Team for winning the UIL Academic Contest!

JH East Zone UIL Academic Champions

7th Grade Editorial Writing Coach Robin Porter

1st Place - Katy Jo Morgan
3rd Place - Larson Walker
6th Place - Kayla Stoudemire

8th Grade Editorial Writing Coach Robin Porter

1st Place - Lorelei Woodard
4th Place - Tristan Hargrove

7th Grade Ready Writing Coach Robin Porter

8th Place - Larson Walker
4th Place - Katy Jo Morgan
5th Place - Kayla Stoudemire

8th Grade Ready Writing Coach Robin Porter

4th Place - Hannah Cowan
5th Place - Mackenzie Byrd

7th Grade Calculator Skills Coach Patricia Cook

2nd Place - Larson Walker
6th Place - Katy Jo Morgan

8th Place Calculator Skills Team- Larson Walker, Katy Jo

Morgan and Eddie Calvagna

7th Grade Number Sense Coach William Norman

1st Place - Larson Walker
4th Place - Creede Goode

1st Place Number Sense Team- Larson Walker, Creede Goode

and Wesley Alexander

7th Grade Math Coach Patricia Cook

1st Place - Larson Walker
6th Place - Eddie Calvagna

2nd Place Math Team - Larson Walker, Eddie Calvagna

and J.D. McDonald

7th Grade Maps, Graphs & Charts

Coach Rhonda Kelley
1st Place - Larson Walker

1st Place Maps, Graphs & Charts Team - Larson Walker, Creede Goode and Joseph

Crockett

8th Grade Maps, Graphs and Charts

Coach Rhonda Kelley
2nd Place - Hannah Cowan
5th Place - Tristan Hargrove

2nd Place Maps, Graphs and Charts Team - Hannah Cowan, Tristan Hargrove and Sean Armer

7th Grade Dictionary Skills Coach Robin Porter

1st Place - Kayla Stoudemire
3rd Place - Katy Jo Morgan

1st Place Dictionary Skills Team - Kayla Stoudemire, Katy

Jo Morgan and James Rhyne

8th Grade Dictionary Skills Coach Robin Porter

1st Place - Joseph Revoir
2nd Place - Logan Phillips
3rd Place - Holden Senclair

1st Place 8th Grade Dictionary Skills Team- Joseph Revoir, Logan Phillips and Holden

Senclair

7th Grade Social Studies Coach J. Blackburn

3rd Place Tie - Dakota Willis/
Aaron Willis
6th Place - Joseph Crockett

1st Place 7th Grade Social Studies Team - Dakota Willis, Aaron Willis and Joseph

Crockett

8th Grade Social Studies Coach J. Blackburn

5th Place - Tristan Hargrove

2nd Place Social Studies Team - Tristan Hargrove, James Briggs and Alexis Mauricio

8th Grade Science Coach Rhonda Kelley

4th Place - Sean Armer

2nd Place Team - Sean Armer, Holdern Senclair and Logan

Phillips

7th Grade Listening Skills Coach Margie Sowell

3rd Place Team - Kayla Stoudemire, Katy Jo Morgan and Kaiden Petree

7th Grade Impromptu Speaking Coach Mandy Sowell

1st Place - Morgan Armer
4th Place - Riley Potter

7th Grade Modern Oratory Coaches Robin Porter and Debbie Mitchell

1st Place - Creede Goode

8th Grade Modern Oratory

1st Place - Hannah Cowan
3rd Place - Joseph Revoir

7th Grade Oral Reading Coaches Debbie Mitchell and Mandy Sowell

1st Place - Dakota Willis
3rd Place - Katy Jo Morgan

8th Grade Oral Reading

1st Place - Grace Goode
3rd Place - Kersy Wyatt
4th Place - Mackenzie Byrd

7th Grade Spelling Coach Margie Sowell

2nd Place Kayla Stoudemire
3rd Place Chloe Alfrod
4th Place Joseph Crockett

1st Place Team - Kayla Stoudemire, Chloe Alfrod and Joseph Crockett

8th Grade Spelling Coach Keeka Byrd

1st Place - Mackenzie Byrd
3rd Place - Holden Senclair

1st Place Team- Mackenzie Byrd, Holden Senclair and Lorelei Woodard

7th Grade Art Coach Keeka Byrd

1st Place - Larson Walker
3rd Place Kayla Stoudemire

1st Place Team - Larson Walker, Kayla Stoudemire and Wesley Alexander

8th Grade Art Coach Keeka Byrd

1st Place - Lorelei Woodard
6th Place - Piper Winfrey

1st Place Team - Lorelei Woodard, Piper Winfrey and Ashley Box

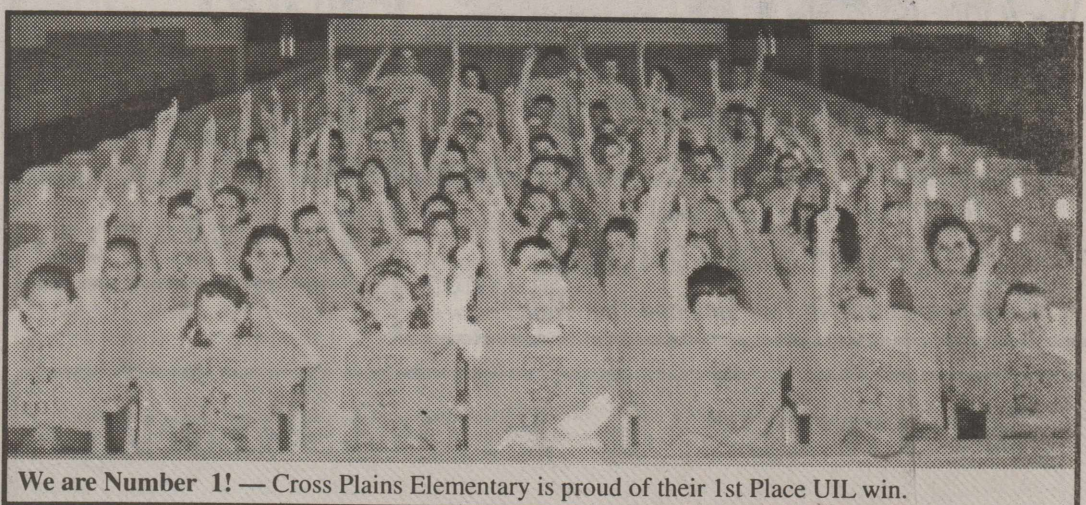
7th Grade Chess Coaches W. Norman and Pat Stephens

1st Place - Riley Potter
4th Place - Aaron Willis

8th Grade Chess Coaches W. Norman and Pat Stephens

1st Place - Ashton Parker
3rd Place - Brandon Waggoner
6th Place - Nain Martinez

1st Place Team - Ashton Parker, Brandon Waggoner and Nain Martinez



We are Number 1! — Cross Plains Elementary is proud of their 1st Place UIL win.

Cross Plains Elementary UIL Results

Cross Plains Elementary recently won 1st Place in the UIL contests hosted at Rising Star. The results of teams and individuals are as follows:

Art Smart

4th Grade - 2nd Place Team;
Madilynn Shepard - 2nd Place;
Brady Potter - 6th Place
5th Grade - 3rd Place;
Destinee Cooper - 6th Place
6th Grade - Jackilann Shepard -
1st Place (tie-Perfect Paper);
Bryana Wipff-1st Place (tie -
Perfect Paper)

Calculator Applications

6th Grade - Jevon Tillery - 4th
Place

Creative Writing

2nd Grade - 1st Place Team;
Abbigale Shepard - 2nd Place;
Zane Felming - 3rd Place;
Hailey Mauricio - 4th Place

Dictionary Skills

5th Grade - 1st Place Team;
Trent Tollett- 1st Place;
Jared Armer - 2nd Place
6th Grade- 1st Place Team;
Jackilann Shepard - 1st Place;
Jacey Bien- 2nd Place;
Kenzie Kleiber - 4th place

Listening

5th Grade - 3rd Place Team
6th Grade - 1st Place Team;
Jacy Bien - 2nd Place;
Jackilann Shepard - 4th Place;
Kenzie Kleiber- 5th Place;
Maps, Graphs and Charts
5th Grade - 1st Place Team;
Trent Tollett-1st Place;
Kyler King - 5th Place
6th Grade - 1st Place Team;

Jackilann Shepard - 1st Place
Paxton Byrd - 3rd Place

Music Memory

4th Grade - 3rd Place Team
5th Grade - 3rd Place Team
6th Grade - 3rd Place Team

Number Sense

4th Grade - 2nd Place Team;
Madilynn Shepard - 1st Place
(tie);
Kolby McKinney- 6th Place
(tie)

6th Grade - 1st Place Team;
Jacey Bien - 4th Place (tie);
Kenzie Kleiber - 4th Place (tie)

Oral Reading

4th Grade - 1st Place Team;
Amber Fidler- 1st Place;
River Bradley - 3rd Place;
Madilynn Shepard - 5th Place

5th Grade - 3rd Place Team;
Katelynn Parker- 3rd Place;
Keegan King - 6th Place

6th Grade - 1st Place Team;
Kenzie Kleiber - 1st Place ;
Mallory McCready - 2nd Place

Ready Writing

3rd Grade - Peter Craft - 6th Place
4th Grade - 1st Place Team;
Amber Fidler- 1st Place;
Madilynn Shepard- 2nd Place;
Jordan Hampton - 3rd Place

5th Grade - 2nd Place Team;
Trent Tollett- 3rd Place

6th Grade - 1st Place Team;
Jackilann Shepard-1st Place;
Kenzie Kleiber- 5th Place;
Hanna Fortune- 6th Place

Social Studies

5th Grade - 2nd Place Team
Tyler Nichols-2nd Place
Jared Armer-4th Place

6th Grade - 1st Place Team
Jackilann Shepard - 1st Place
Kenzie Kleiber -2nd Place

Spelling

4th Grade - 2nd Place Team;
Madilynn Shepard - 1st Place
(tie)

Wade Byrd - 5th Place
5th Grade - 1st Place Team
Trent Tollett- 2nd Place
Bryana Wipff- 4th Place
6th Grade - 1st Place Team
Jackilann Shepard - 1st Place
(tie)

Jacey Bien - 1st Place (tie)
Jacob Collier - 4th Place

Story Telling

2nd Grade - 1st Place
Abbigale Shepard - 1st Place;
Zane Fleming - 3rd Place;
Hannah McKinney - 5th Place

3rd Grade - 1st Place Team
Autum Nickerson - 1st Place
Kiley Morgan- 2nd Place
Kashlyn Hunter - 4th Place

Chess

2nd Grade - 1st Place Team
Logan McDaniel - 2nd Place
(tie)

Ryan Reed - 2nd Place (tie)
3rd Grade - Ashton Powell- 6th
Place

4th Grade - 1st Place Team
Kolby McKinney-1st Place;
Austin Rankin- 2nd Place
Wade Byrd- 6th Place

5th Grade - 3rd Place Team
Bryana Wipff-6th Place
6th Grade - 1st Place Team
Gage Connelly-1st Place;
Paxton Byrd-2nd Place;
Trenton Potter-5th Place.

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District FFA Banquet Talent Show — Monday, December 3, Taryn Estes and Morgan Manley competed in the annual District FFA Banquet Talent Show in Coleman Texas, with three other acts also in the talent competition. Taryn and Morgan ended up winning first place and moved on to compete in the Area 4 Convention Talent Show in May in Mineral Wells. The Cross Plains FFA Chapter was represented by 12 FFA members, 4 guests, David and Mindy Estes and Danny and Lana Manley, and 2 advisors. Along with the talent competition, FFA students also receive recognition and awards for their participation in Leadership Development Events, Career Development Events, Scholarships, Proficiencies, Degrees, and other various areas of the FFA. Cross Plains students received awards in LDE's, CDE's, Scholarships, Lone Star Farmer Degrees, and several proficiency awards. In addition, the Cross Plains FFA Chapter placed second in the overall sweepstakes at this year's LDE contest. Submitted by Kaycee Long

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All Teens Should be Vaccinated Against Meningitis

For the first time, one Cisco, Texas teenager is sharing her story of surviving meningitis to encourage greater Abilene-area parents to get their teens protected against this very serious bacterial infection. Tori Robertson, 19, developed flu-like symptoms when she was in the 8th grade, during basketball practice. Despite going to the emergency room, they found nothing and she was sent home (to recover from the flu) until she began to develop two of the tell-tale signs of meningitis: a stiff neck and vomiting. Tori was very lucky, 10% of

the people who contract the disease die (sometimes within 24 hours.) Teenagers and college age people are particularly at risk because their behaviors, such as sharing bottles and drinking glasses! These activities help spread the disease. Readers need to know that meningitis may be prevented through vaccination. In Texas, children are required by law to get an initial inoculation before entering 7th grade. Further, a law unique to Texas (enacted January 2012) requires that all college freshmen (under the age of 30) get a second dose before

enrollment. But it should be noted that the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention recommend that all teens, (wether you are enrolled in school or not) get a second dose of meningitis around ages 16 or 17 to help keep them protected during the years in which they are at greatest risk of infection. Why cover meningitis now? The upcoming winter break from school is the perfect time for parents to make appointments for their teens to get vaccinated against meningitis. Tori Robertson, 19, from Cisco, TX - Tori is a meningitis

survivor and student at Cisco College who can speak to her experience surviving meningitis. Joye Fuller, RN, BSN, school nurse with the Eula Independent School District and a member of the Texas School Nurses Association. Joye can speak to her experience educating students and parents about meningitis and why it is so vital to get teens vaccinated. This educational initiative is part of the National Association of School Nurses' Voices of Meningitis campaign to raise awareness about meningitis and help boost vaccination rates.

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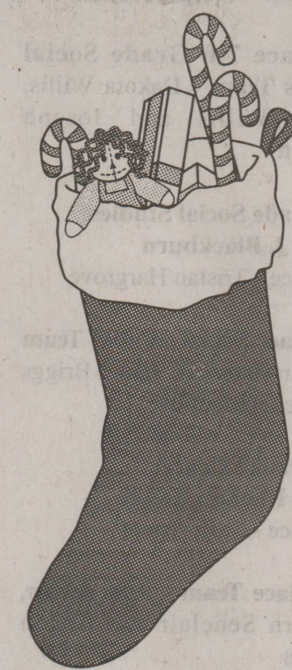
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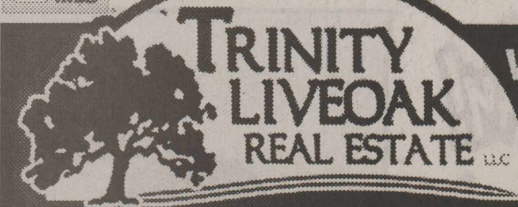
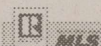
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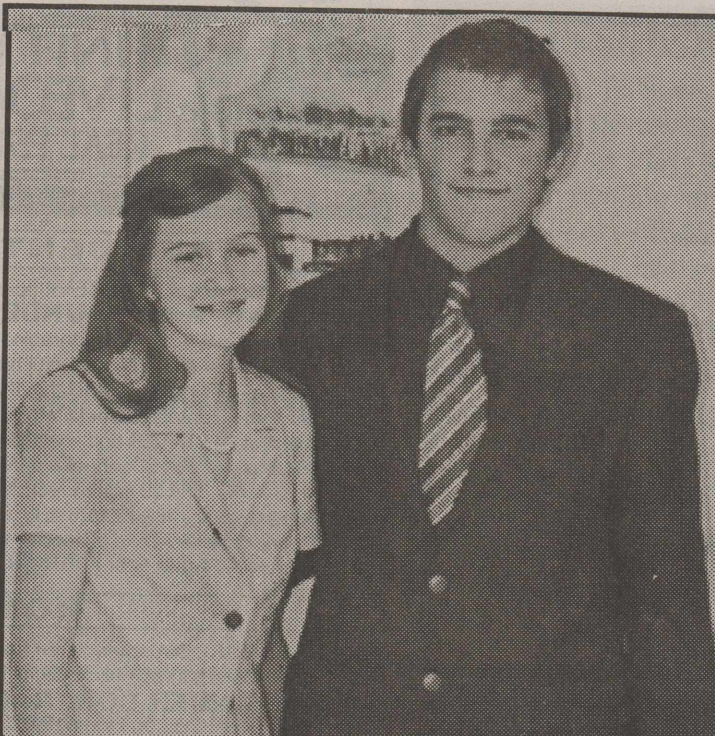
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Letter to the Community

Beloved,
 The purpose of this letter is to inform you of a movie which will be shown Sunday evening, December 16, at First Baptist Church. "Last Ounce of Courage" is an intergenerational story about family, free expression, and taking a stand for cherished beliefs.
 It was interesting to me that the Astronaut Sid Gutierrez, who recently visited Cross Plains, praised our city for openly displaying the nativity scene on Main Street. We are blessed to live in a community that still has Christian values and exercises the freedom we have to express them. Never before in this Nation has there been a greater distinction between the fallen world, and those of us who have been set apart by God. The majority of American citizens now accept the lies of the evil one over the truth, and this majority is actively taking part in dismantling the Christian values that once guided this country.
 Never before in the history of Nation has the need been greater for Christians to take a stand. There are many similarities in this movie with Cross Plains. I encourage you to bring your family, neighbors, and friends. Every veteran, every Christian, every American citizen needs to see this movie.
 There will be no charge, an offering will NOT be taken.
 Blessings,
 Pastor Ronnie White



CECA Action Youth Tour — Congratulations to Cheyenne Gordon and Luke Broussard for being chosen to represent CECA at the 2013 Government in Action Youth Tour. The Youth Tour is an all-expense paid trip to Washington D.C. and will take place in June of 2013. Cheyenne is a home schooled Sophomore from Zephyr, and the daughter of Jerry and Kay Lynn Gordon. Luke is a Junior at Early High School and is the son of Lance and Joey Broussard. We know these two young people will represent us as well.

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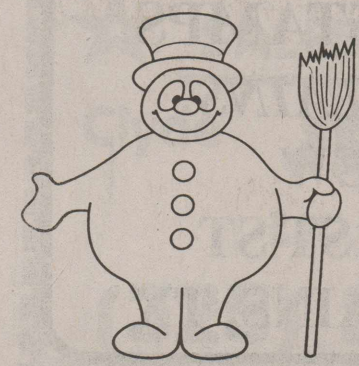
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TCRC OF CROSS PLAINS HOSTS 2012 AWARDS BANQUET—In this group picture are some of the playday riders. Front row left to right—Dyson Cole, Dillion Cole, Parker Williams, Hayden Cole, Tyan Yeary, Haylee King. Second row—Larmie Hodges, Cody McWilliams, Alaina Potter, Mckineze Williams, Trista Yeary, Lexi Thompson, Ines Fortitheim. Back row—Dobbs McWilliams, Gracie Cole, Mckineze Byrd, Hanna King, Shelby McWilliams, and Zack Thompson.

Turkey Creek Rodeo Club awards banquet held in November 2012

The Turkey Creek Rodeo Club (TCRC) held its annual awards banquet in November to close out the 2012 playday and rodeo season.

Thanks to local and county residents all the Turkey Creek Rodeo Club had a great year with the playdays, the Memorial Ranch Rodeo, with a

dance, and a chuckwagon from Cowboy Heritage Church located in Clyde, in conjunction with a dance at Tredway park, as well as several fundraisers held at the rodeo arena, to help out some local residents.

Thanks to some help from area residents, and funds

raised here at the arena, TCRC was proud to be able to donate money to two local fire departments.

If you would like to be a part of this group, mark your calendars for January 22, 2013 and attend our first meeting of the new year to plan our events for the 2013 season.



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Bobby Flores is a multi-instrumentalist, vocalist, arranger, producer, composer and first call session musician. Bobby has played with artists such as: Conway Twitty, George Strait, Tanya Tucker, Garth Brooks and Johnny Bush. Bobby is featured on over four hundred albums, CD's and singles, including performances with numerous artists on major labels. Bobby feels at home doing western swing and country music. He also composes for and performs with string quartets.

Kinney Hart says the doors will open at 7:00 p.m. and the dance will start at 8:00 p.m. Come and join us for an evening of good entertainment and dancing that will help raise needed funds for the Rehab which has treated over 250 patients from our area for 2011.

Tommy Riley says tickets will be \$15 per person and they will be available at the door. Tables will be provided on first come, first served basis.

The West Texa Rehab Center is a private, non-profit, 501(c)(3) organization founded in 1953 in Abilene, Texas. Today, the Center is a nationally respected organization with approximately 200 full-time staff in three facilities providing out-patient rehabilitation care each year to more than 500 children and adults each day.

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"A MOUNTED TEXAS COWBOY SANTA—with candy-filled saddlebags participated in the Dyess AFB Chapel holiday celebration for military families and children. When West Texas is warm, dry and snowless in December,

Santa must leave his reindeer and sleigh at the North Pole and ride his Santa horse from Santa ranch. [Portrayed by Callahan County rancher John Comper and his ranch horse Pleasure]"

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Commissioners approve order prohibiting the use of fireworks in Callahan County

The Callahan County commissioners' court approved an order prohibiting the use of certain fireworks in unincorporated areas of Callahan County during the commissioners' court meeting held Monday, December 10th at the County Courthouse in Baird.

On a motion by Commissioner Cliff Kirkham and a second by Commissioner Tom Windham, the commissioners' court voted 5-0 to prohibit the use of certain fireworks for the Christmas and New Year's Day holiday period. On the 10th day of December, 2012, the Commissioners' Court of Callahan County adopted the following order effective immediately:

ORDER PROHIBITING USE OF FIREWORKS IN UNINCORPORATED AREAS OF CALLAHAN COUNTY

WHEREAS, the Commissioners' Court has determined that during the Christmas and New Year's Day fireworks season, the rural acreage in the county not under cultivation for a period of at least twelve months are determined to be extremely hazardous for the danger of fire because of high grass and dry vegetation and allows the Commissioners' Court of a county to prohibit the sale or use of restricted fireworks in specific areas in Callahan County; and

WHEREAS, on the 13th day of June, 2011, the Commissioners' Court of Callahan County has determined that the normal danger of fire in the unincorporated areas of Callahan County is greatly enhanced by the extremely dry conditions now existing.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Commissioners' Court of Callahan County adopts this Order prohibiting the use of restricted fireworks in the unincorporated areas of Callahan County.

A. No persons may detonate, ignite, or in any way use fireworks classified under 49 C.F.R. part 173.100(r)(2) (10-1-86 edition), as "skyrockets with sticks, and "Missiles with fins" in any portion of the unincorporated area of Callahan County.

B. This Order does not prohibit:

1. Common fireworks, small in size classified as Class C explosives.

2. Large fireworks devices designed primarily to produce visible or audible effects by combustion, deflagration, or detonation and classified as Class B explosive by the U.S. Dept. of Transportation (TEX. OCC. CODE, Chapter 2154).

3. The sale of "skyrockets with sticks" and "missiles with fins."

C. A person commits an offense if the person knowingly or recklessly detonates, ignites, or in any way uses fireworks on a county road or in the right-of-

way of a county road.

D. If the landowners' permission is obtained prior thereto, persons may detonate, ignite, or use fireworks on private property in unincorporated areas of the county, as long as:

1. The person using the fireworks is not intoxicated as defined in Vernon's Act. Civil Statutes Art. 62011-1 (a) (2),

2. Reasonable precautions are taken concerning proximity to structures and flammable vegetation.

3. Children are adequately supervised by adults.

4. Water is readily available for extinguishing fires.

E. A person commits an offense if the person knowingly or intentionally violates a prohibition established by this Order. An offense under this order is punishable by a penalty of a fine of up to \$1,000.00 or confinement in jail for a term not exceeding 180 days. An individual, individuals, could be liable for damages, if fire occurs. If there is a fatality, one could face possible felony charges.

APPROVED THIS THE 10TH DAY OF DECEMBER, 2012, BY THE CALLAHAN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' COURT.

(s) Roger Corn
County Judge

(s) Donna Bell
Attest: County Clerk

County Burn Ban reinstated for another 90 days

The Callahan County Commissioners voted to reinstate the countywide outdoor burn ban for another 90 days effective immediately.

The commissioners' court took the action Monday, December 10th during the commissioners' court meeting held at the County Courthouse in Baird.

The county outdoor burn ban information follows:

CALLAHAN COUNTY, TEXAS ORDER PROHIBITING OUTDOOR BURNING

WHEREAS, in accordance with Section 240.906 of the Local Government Code, the Callahan County Commissioners Court had found that dry conditions in the unincorporated areas of Callahan County create a public safety hazard that would be exacerbated by outdoor burning; and, whereas, such a finding authorizes the issuance of an order which prohibits or restricts outdoor burning.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDERED that the following regulations are hereby established for all unincorporated areas of Callahan County, Texas.

(1) Action prohibited:
A. A person violates this order if he or she knowingly, intentionally or recklessly burns any combustible material outside of an enclosure which serves to contain all flames and/or sparks, or orders such burning by others.

B. A person violates this order if he or she knowingly, intentionally or recklessly engages in any activity outdoors which could allow flames or sparks that could result in a fire, or orders such activities by others.

(2) Enforcement:
A. A violation of this order is a Class C Misdemeanor. B. This order may be enforced by any

duly commissioned peace officer in Callahan County

(3) This order is effective and enforceable for 90 days after the date of adoption which is indicated below.

(4) This order does not apply to outdoor burning activities related to public health and safety that are authorized by the Texas Natural Resources Conservation Commission for firefighter training; public utility, natural gas pipeline, or mining operations, or, harvesting of agriculture crops.

(5) Further, a person is not in violation if prior to the setting of any outdoor fire, he or she first obtains the permission of the appropriate volunteer Fire Chief. In this instance the Fire Chief will have the authority to set the conditions, restrictions, and/or precautions which must be observed.

(6) See Attachment A for welding precautions and Attachment B for grilling precautions.

ORDERED by the Callahan County Commissioners Court on the 10th day of December, 2012, and executed on the same date.

(s) Roger Corn
County Judge
(s) Harold Hicks
Commissioner Precinct #1
(s) Bryan Farmer
Commissioner Precinct #2
(s) Tom Windham
Commissioner Precinct #3
(s) Cliff Kirkham
Commissioner Precinct #4

Attest:
(s) Donna Bell,
County Clerk

ATTACHMENT A

Due to high fire danger and dry foliage these restrictions were put in place for the protection of the Citizens and their property in Callahan County. It was not in-

tended to take away a person's livelihood.

WELDING WILL BE PERMITTED IF THE PROPER PRECAUTIONS ARE BEING TAKEN.

1. The individual welding must have a spotter.

2. Two wet fire extinguishers must be available.

3. Must have sufficient supply of water on hand at all times.

4. Must have water sprayer available for use.

5. Must wet down sufficient area (and re-wet as often as necessary).

These safety precautions must be taken and also, please use common sense and good judgement if the conditions are windy. If the job is not an emergency put it off until another date.

Violations will be punishable by a penalty of a fine of up to \$1,000.00 or confinement in jail for a term not exceeding 180 days. An individual, or individuals, could be liable for damages, if fire occurs. If there is a fatality, one could face possible felony charges.

ATTACHMENT B

Due to high fire danger and dry foliage these restrictions were put in place for the protection of the Citizens and their property in Callahan County.

OUTDOOR GRILLING WILL BE PERMITTED IF THESE PRECAUTIONS ARE TAKEN.

1. Individuals grilling must attend the grill at all times.

2. Must have sufficient supply of water on hand at all times.

3. Cooking must be done in an enclosed cooker.

Violations will be punishable by a penalty of a fine of up to \$1,000.00 or confinement in jail for a term not exceeding 180 days. An individual, or individuals, could be liable for damages, if fire occurs. If there is a fatality, one could face possible felony charges.

Callahan County 2013 holiday schedule approved

The Callahan County Commissioners' Court approved the 2013 holiday schedule for Callahan County during the commissioners' court regular monthly meeting held Monday, December 10th at the County Courthouse in Baird.

On a motion by Commissioner Bryan Farmer and a second by Commissioner Cliff Kirkham, the commissioners' court voted 4-0 to set the Callahan County holiday schedule for the year 2012. Abstaining on the motion was Commissioner Harold Hicks.

The 2013 holiday schedule for Callahan County includes:

Tuesday, January 1, 2013 New Year's Day.

Monday, January 21, 2013 Martin Luther King Day

Monday, February 18, 2013 Presidents Day

Friday, March 29, 2013 Good Friday

Monday, May 27, 2013 Memorial Day

Thursday/Friday, July 4, and July 5, 2013 Independence Day

Monday, September 2, 2013 Labor Day

Monday, October 14, 2013 Columbus Day

Monday, November 11, 2013 Veterans Day

Thursday/Friday, November 28 and November 29, 2013 Thanksgiving

Monday, Tuesday & Wednesday, December 23, December 24 and December 25, 2013 Christmas

Tuesday, December 31, 2013 New Year's Eve

Other agenda items brought before the commissioners' court included:

—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. Also present at the meeting were County Clerk Donna Bell, and County Treasurer Dianne Gunter.

—Commissioner Hicks made a motion to reinstate the Countywide Burn Ban effective immediately. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Farmer and approved by the commissioners' court with a unanimous 5-0 vote.

—Commissioner Farmer made a motion to approve the deputations by the Sheriff's Office.

Those deputations approved were for Franklin Shackelford and Terry E. Joy as Deputies, and Leo A. Huddleston as Reserve Deputy. Commissioner Farmer seconded the motion and the motion carried with a 5-0 vote.

—Commissioner Hicks made a motion to continue conducting the commissioners' court meetings on the second and fourth Mondays for the year 2013. Commissioner Windham seconded the motion and the motion passed with a 5-0 vote.

—Commissioner Windham made a motion to approve the bonds for the newly elected officials. Commissioner Kirkham seconded the motion. The motion was approved with a 5-0 vote.

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

—Commissioner Windham made a motion to adjourn the commissioners' court meeting at 10:15 a.m. Commissioner Farmer seconded the motion, which then passed with a vote of 5-0.

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Sarah Watson wins \$5,000 check from K'NEXpert Search contest in Philadelphia

Sarah Watson, six-year-old daughter of Wyatt and Kristen Watson of Sadler, Texas, was chosen, one of three grand prize winners in the 2013 K'NEXpert Search.

The K'NEXpert Search is an annual, nationwide building contest that asks kids ages 5-12 to design an ultra-creative, original model made entirely out of K'NEX pieces.

Three Grand Prize winners and seven finalists were chosen from three age categories. Each of the three Grand Prize winners was awarded \$5,000 and a \$500 knex.com shopping spree at the award ceremony held in Philadelphia on November 30, 2012.

The three winners received their award checks, were

treated to a private factory tour, and enjoyed lunch as guests of K'NEX president Michael Araten. They also met and were congratulated by President Obama who was visiting the K'NEX headquarters that same day.

Their award-winning models were displayed at K'NEX headquarters.

Sarah's sister Rebekah, who was one of the finalists in the 7-8 age group, received \$500 and a \$250 knex.com shopping spree.

Two years ago, Sarah's brother William was grand prize winner in the 7-8 age group and received the grand prize of \$10,000.

Sarah's grandparents are Robert and Dorthy Watson of the Rowden Community and



PRESIDENT OBAMA— shakes Sarah's hand at K'NEX Headquarters.

Roland and Jean Stroebel of Cisco.



Kiwanis Workers — Adrian and Shelia Allen (from left), Bob and Marsha Ossowski and Arnie and Diane Smith.



Ice Cream Anyone? — Dannes Turner (left) hands Amber Fidler a double scoop.

The Opera House Country Musicals annual Larry Chittenden Cowboy Celebration will be December 15th

The Opera House Country Musical Show will be Saturday, December 15th at 6:00 pm at the Opera House located in Anson, Texas.

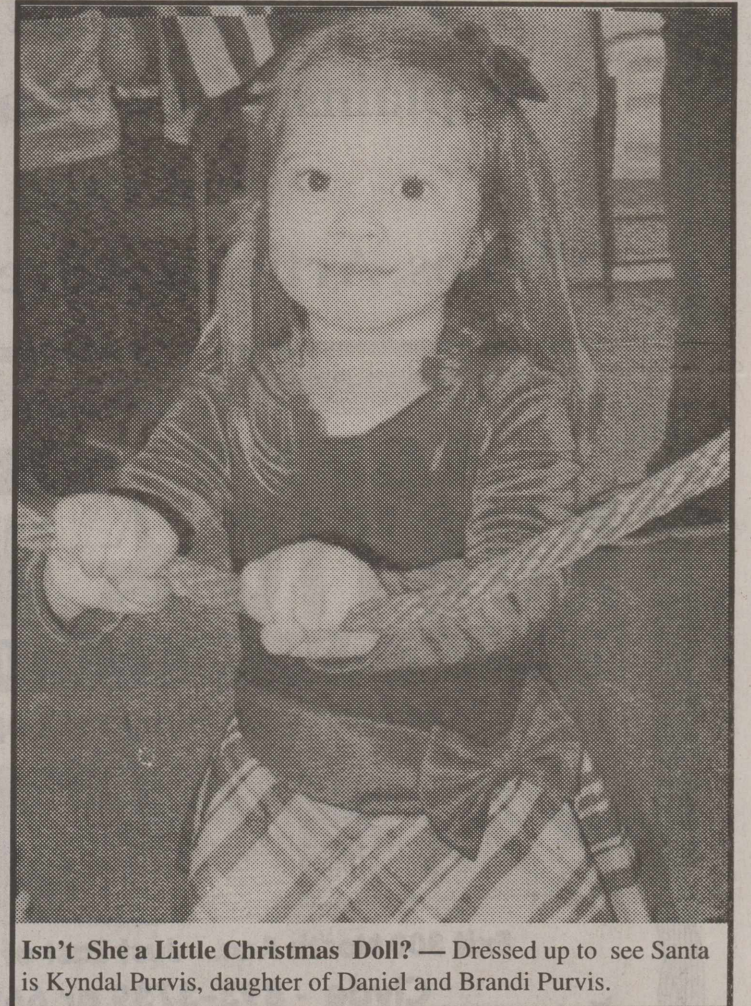
A Bar-Q Supper will be held before the musical. We will start serving at 5:00 pm. The meal is \$5.00 a plate and includes drink and dessert.

We are so happy to be featuring again this year, the Gary Ball's Family and his band as our main attraction for this years celebration. Don't miss this great performance of this fabulous band.

For further information call Marlon Smith at 325-823-3523. Leave a message.



Won the Last Turkey — Carrie Wheeler (left) was the lucky winner. Teresa Veteto on right.



Isn't She a Little Christmas Doll? — Dressed up to see Santa is Kyndal Purvis, daughter of Daniel and Brandi Purvis.

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Reform the Tax System

By Senator Kay Bailey Hutchison

Pundits, economists, politicians and Americans from every walk of life have been discussing the rapidly approaching fiscal cliff that the country is poised to go over on January 1st. People are understandably both scared and frustrated.

Recently, I wrote about the effects of higher tax rates on the small businesses we depend on to create new jobs. Raising tax rates on these job creators would be bad for our ailing economy and depressing news for the more than 20 million Americans who are seeking full-time work. Fortunately there's a better way.

It has been proven time and again that lowering taxes for everyone results in higher revenues. If we enact lower, flatter tax rates for everyone, we would accomplish the goal of a fairer, simpler tax system, which would be a catalyst for faster economic growth. Small businesses have historically invested in their companies and grown their businesses - resulting in increased hiring.

The facts about the effects of lower tax rates on economic growth seem to have been forgotten during the past four years. In fact, every major tax reduction program since the Kennedy Administration's tax cuts has been followed by a substantial increase in revenue and solid economic growth.

During the Reagan adminis-

tration, when income tax and capital gains tax rates were reduced dramatically, not only did our economy grow rapidly (more than double the rate of the previous four years), federal tax revenues increased by 60 percent. At the same time, the share of federal taxes paid by the top 10 percent of incomes increased.

Likewise, the 2003 Bush tax cuts were followed by 52 consecutive months of healthy economic growth and generated a massive increase in federal tax revenue. From 2004 to 2007, federal tax revenue increased by \$780 billion (44 percent), the largest four-year increase in American history.

Four years after the start of the worst economic meltdown since the Great Depression, we are teetering on the verge of returning to recession, and the threat of higher taxes is partly to blame. Survey after survey of business owners and managers in the past year revealed that they are holding back on expansion and new hiring because they don't know what to expect from Washington, and they're afraid that much higher taxes are what's coming.

Nevertheless, President Obama's plan is to increase taxes by \$1.6 trillion over the next decade with much of this new revenue to be taken from smaller businesses.

The president says he's willing to talk about fundamental tax reforms later. But he is insisting on immediate tax increases on

small businesses and those who make more than \$200,000 (\$250,000 for joint filers).

Most Americans understand that raising taxes is bad for economic growth. Members of Congress understand this, too. Earlier this year, Congress considered President Obama's 2013 budget plan which was (no surprise) based on raising taxes by about \$1.6 trillion. The surprise was that not a single Member of Congress in either political party voted for the president's budget.

The president is now trying to force a false choice on Congress and our country. Either Congress votes to raise taxes right away on those making more than \$200,000 - including small businesses - or he will allow higher taxes to take effect for everyone on January 1st. This would help to lock in historically high levels of federal spending for years to come. Unfortunately, it would also be a major setback for our real critical national priorities - the economy and out-of-control deficits.

There's still time for the president and Congressional leaders to avoid taking the country over a financial cliff. This is also the right moment for a fundamental restructuring of our tax system that will energize our economy. But the window of opportunity for boosting economic growth is closing quickly.

Hutchison, a Republican, is the senior U.S. senator from Texas.

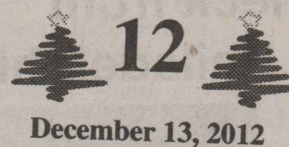
Callahan County DPS Report

Calls received by the Callahan County Department of Public Safety from November 24, 2012 through November 30, 2012 include:

Cases Investigated
Warnings—93
Complaints—39
DWI—2
Fugitive Arrest-Withdraw of DWI Bond—1
Fugitive Arrest-Felony Warrants—1
Open Container—1

Vehicle Accidents
There were two vehicle accidents investigated during this time span.

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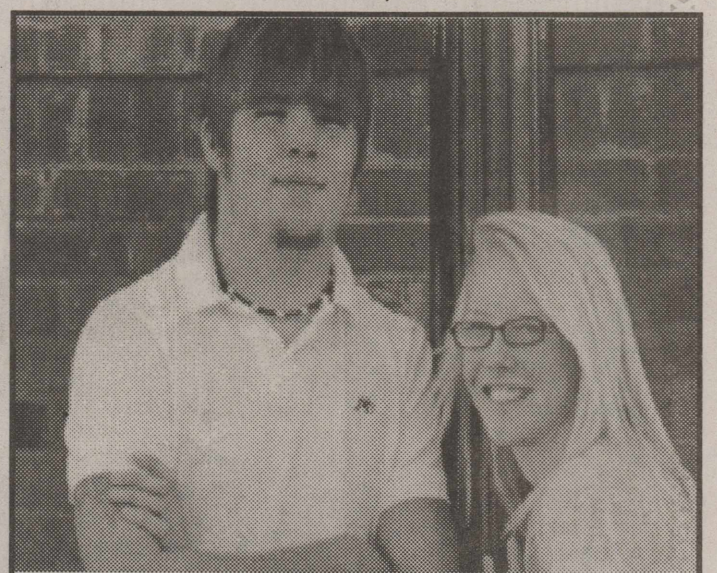
Resource Care Clinic Giving Back to the local Community through a Food Drive

'Tis the season of giving and Thanksgiving. We at the Resource Care Clinic would like to give back to our community by sponsoring a canned food drive to benefit the Cross Plains Senior Center and the local Food Bank.

We are blessed to have these organizations to assist our community members in need.

Donations may be dropped off at both Cross Plains clinic locations, at Lowe's Market and at the Cross Plains Senior Center. Please help us fill the cupboards this holiday season for those in need.

Submitted by
Cindy Payne



Wedding Announcement

Curtis and Katha Shawver of Cisco, are proud to announce the upcoming marriage of their daughter, Elizabeth Aubrey Shawver, to Walter William Pope, IV, grandson of Walter and Beverly Pope of Cross Plains, son of Becky Yarbrough of Midland, and Billy Pope of Snyder.

Ellie is the granddaughter of Dennis and Glenda Shawver of Cisco, Roy McAllister of Electra, Tx, and great niece of Jim and Reba Madera of Electra, Tx. William is the great-grandson of Mrs. Virginia Pope of Cross Plains, and the late Mrs. Jean Wright of Lawn, Tx. Ellie and William will be married on December 22, 2012, at 6:00 p.m., at the Myrtle Wilks Community Center in Cisco. All friends and family are cordially invited to share in this joyous celebration.

Ellie is a 2012 graduate of Cisco High School and Cisco College. She is currently attending Angelo State University pursuing a degree in nursing. William is a 2011 graduate of Cross Plains High School. He is serving in the United States Army and will be graduating soon from specialized training at Fort Huachuca, AZ. The bride and groom will be living in Killeen after William reports for duty at Fort Hood in January.

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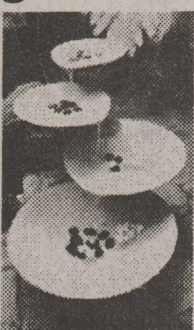
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94 Mustang GT, Convertible, 5.0 V8, Nice Car, Leather Seats.....Red.....	\$3950	1350	315 8 of 265
01 Kia Saphia, 4 Cyl, 5 Spd, 74K Miles, You Will Like It.....Tan.....	\$3295	1095	200 7 of 200
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99 Explorer Sport, V6, Automatic, Looks and Runs Very Good.....White.....	\$3495	1100	325 10 of 240
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90 Ford Club Wagon, 12 Passenger, 351 V8, Runs Good with 78000 Miles.....White.....	\$1450	500	190 5 of 190
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01 Dodge Ram 1500, Quad Cab, 5.9 V8, Automatic, Runs Great.....Black.....	\$4950	1550	450 10 of 340
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95 Chevy 2500, Ext. Cab, V8, 5 Speed, Looks and Runs Very Good.....Tan.....	\$3250	1150	300 8 of 265
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