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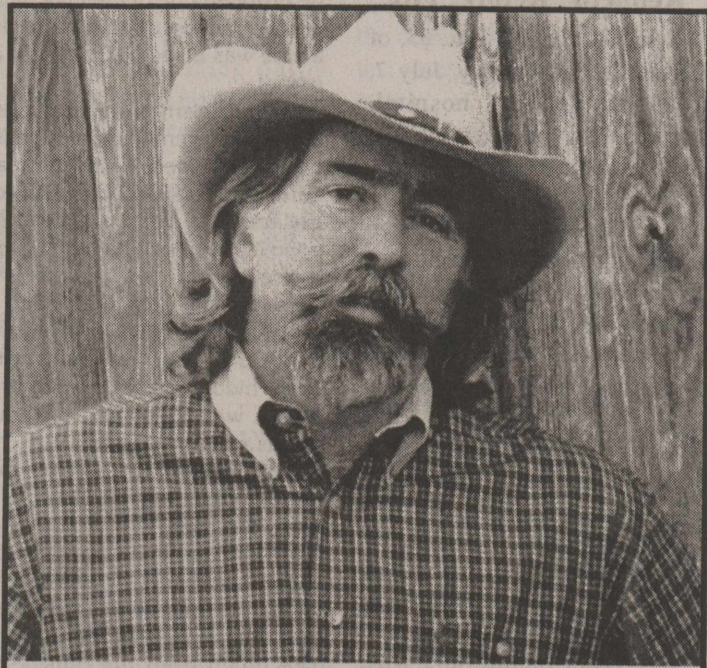
Mike Blakely and Mexican Dinner

Make your reservations by Monday, July 19, for an evening of great entertainment presented by the Cross Plains Public Library. Singer, songwriter and author Mike Blakely will appear Thursday, July 22, 2010, 6:30 p.m., at the First Baptist Church Family Life Center in Cross Plains.

Blakely, author of sixteen Western novels, is one our best Western novelists according to Library Director Charles Rodenberger. His latest Western novel, *A Tale Out of Luck*, was co-written with Willie Nelson. Blakely also has written dozens of Western and cowboy songs included on eleven CDs. Come by the library and check out some of his books.

Blakely lives on a ranch near Marble Falls, and in 2008 he won the Spur award for songwriting for the Best Western Song of the Year "The Last Wild White Buffalo." He has been talking to country music legend Kenny Rogers about co-writing a book.

Those of you who remember when Mike visited us for a Meet the Author evening know what a great entertainer he is with his wonderful songs and stories. As busy as his schedule is these days, we are really fortunate to get him to come back. He entertains at over 150 live shows a year in Texas. He also performs at corporate conventions in twenty-six states. Each year in September, he puts on Mike



CROSS PLAINS PUBLIC LIBRARY FUNDRAISER
FEATURING — Mike Blakely, Western Novelist & Songwriter.

Blakely's TexAmericano Fandangle in Luckenbach, Texas. His band tours Europe every year, performing Country and Western music in Switzerland, Italy, Germany, Austria, France and Holland as well as Mexico and Australia.

As if Mike won't be entertaining enough, we'll also have a Howlin' Contest in the spirit of Mike's song "Howlin' at the Moon." The Howlers will be Kandy Jones, Sue Bennett and Cindy McCaghen, and everyone will get to vote on who does the best (worst?) coyote imitation.

Don't miss this special night of

great food and entertainment with build your own tacos and burritos. The price is right at \$15/person with special rates of \$12 for seniors over 60 and children under 12. All proceeds will benefit the operating budget of the Cross Plains Public Library. The fun begins at 6:30 p.m., Thursday, July 22, at the Family Life Center of the First Baptist Church in Cross Plains.

Call (254) 725-7722 for reservations no later than Monday, July 19, or email cppl@windstream.net.

Submitted by Ginny Hoskins

4-H Sheep & Goat Tag Orders Due

Sheep & Goat Tag orders are due to the Extension office by August 24th. If you plan on showing Market lambs or Market Meat goats at the local, county, or Major shows you must call in your tag order no later than August 24th. Major show tags are \$7.00/tag and County only tags are \$3.00/tag.

All tag orders must be paid for by August 31st!

Contact The Extension Office to place your tag orders (325) 854-5835.

Submitted by: Hoss Sasin, CEA-Ag

US Census may be calling you

BBB has received a number of calls from concerned citizens worried about phone calls from the Census Bureau.

Follow up calls are being made through mid-August by Census workers. As many as 8 million households may get a call and a number of local people have already received a call. Not every household will get a call; however if you get a call the BBB offers the following tips:

The caller will identify as working for the U.S. Census Bureau and their call is to ensure an accurate count at the right address.

Caller ID should show US Census Bureau or a toll-free number should show up.

Census workers will never ask you for your social security, bank account, credit card number or ask for a donation. You will never be contacted by email.

Census workers leaving a message to return a call will leave a specific case ID number.

If you have any questions contact your BBB 325-691-1533.

It's Musical Time Once Again in Cottonwood—Friday, July 16th

We would like to have you join us for our musical at the Cottonwood Community Center on Friday night, July 16th.

Concession will be open at 5 p.m. with the music starting at 6 p.m.

We have a great lineup of

musicians, some local talent, some from area towns, and some musicians that are coming back to Cottonwood where they grew up.

There will be country, old time country, classical and gospel

music—something for everyone to enjoy.

We are looking forward to making the musicals a monthly event in the future.

SEE YOU THERE!

Submitted by Cookie Robinson

Helping Hearts and Hands

If you are a homeowner and your home is in need of minor repairs: painting, plumbing, insulation and caulking, the Cross Plains Area Housing Initiative would like to extend a hand to assist you.

FREE assistance is available to homeowners who are elderly, handicapped and/or low income. Applications are available now at the Senior Citizens Center, Texas

Heritage Bank and City Hall.

The application deadline will be at the end of September and if you need any assistance in filling out the application, please call Pat Stephens at 254-725-6819.

This is a worthwhile community project that has been in action since 1998.

Volunteers will be needed once

again to complete these projects so be looking for a date to be set in the fall of this year.

We are excited and looking forward to this year's endeavor. If you have any questions or would like more information, please call Pat Stephens 254-725-6819 or Roxie Thomas 254-725-6141.

Submitted by Pat Stephens

Cross Plains High School Class of 1990 - 20th Reunion

The class of 1990 is having their 20th Reunion at the Homeplace Restaurant in Tuscola, Tx on Saturday, July 17, 2010.

Families will begin gathering at 2:00 p.m. and a buffet dinner will be served at 5:00 p.m. for \$11.00 per plate.

Friends are welcome. A map can be found at www.thehomeplacereastaurant.com

Annual Cross Cut Texas Community Reunion Slated for July 18th

The Annual Cross Cut Texas Community (Brown County) Reunion will be held on Sunday, July 18, 2010, beginning about 10:00 a.m. at the Cross Plains Community Center.

Those attending are asked to bring their favorite covered dish and participate in the POTLUCK LUNCH.

Bring an item or two to place in the SILENT AUCTION that

helps defray reunion expenses. Special emphasis on vintage photos of the people and area are encouraged.

A meeting of the CROSS CUT CEMETERY ASSOCIATION will close out the reunion.

If further information is needed, call 254-918-7288.

Submitted by Anita Newton Lane

Cross Plains Chamber of Commerce Annual Banquet Celebrating the Chambers 20th Anniversary

The Cross Plains Chamber of Commerce will be holding their annual banquet Thursday, July 29th. This year they will be celebrating the Chamber's 20th Anniversary in the community.

The meal will be catered by local restaurant Staghorn Cafe' and will begin at 6:30 p.m.

Tickets are \$15 each and are only available at the Chamber Office, located in Susan Schaefer

CPA's office building, Texas Heritage Bank, City Hall or from a Chamber Board Member.

If you need additional information contact the Chamber office at 254-725-7251.

NOTE SPECIAL TIME for Summer Reading Program at the Cross Plains Public Library this Wednesday

The Southwest Mobile Dairy will be coming to do a special program. In order to make it more comfortable for the dairy cows, the program will be at 10:00 Wednesday morning July 17. Be sure to note this time change.

The Mobile Dairy Classroom is

a division of the Southwest Dairy Museum, Inc. It is a traveling milking parlor, carrying a live cow and providing an oral presentation, a milking demonstration and an answer session.

Anson Opera House Country Musical set for Saturday

The Anson Opera House Country Musical show will be Saturday, July 17th at 6:00 p.m., at the Anson Opera House located in Anson, Texas.

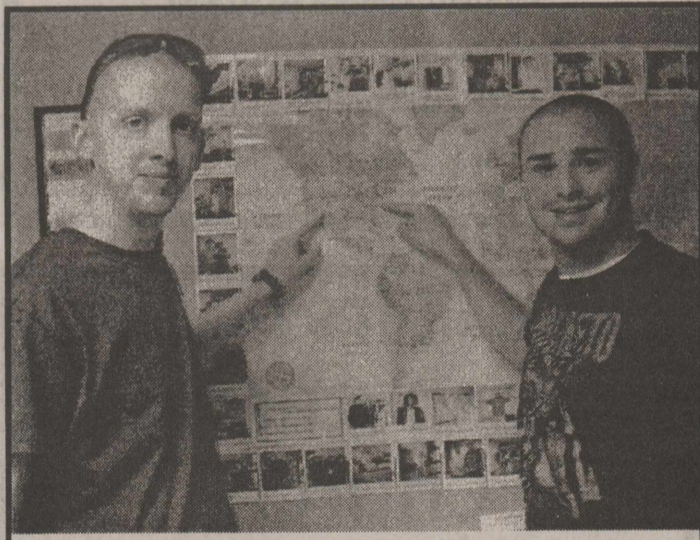
A Bar-B-Q supper will be held before the musical. Serving will start at 5:00 p.m. The cost will be \$6.00 per plate and includes drink and dessert.

Door prizes will be given away.

There is no admission fee. For additional information call Marlon Smith at 325-823-3523 and leave a message.

To Guarantee Publishing in the Current Week's Paper

Please Bring Articles in by 2 p.m. Monday
Ads by Noon Tuesday or that Week



FRIENDS FROM ARIZONA & NORTH CAROLINA MEET IN THE MIDDLE - CROSS PLAINS — Curtis Turner, from left, and Ross Sinodis are shown pointing out their respective hometowns on the world map at the Howard Museum. Turner is from Phoenix, AZ where he was serving with the border patrol before taking other employment in Charleston, SC. Sinodis works in a book store in Raleigh, NC and was actually helping his friend move across country. Both young men were very knowledgeable about Howard's writings and have quite a collection of his works between them. They had planned their cross-country route to include a stop in Cross Plains.

Public Auction of Contents of the Business Incubator in Rising Star

Sunday, July 18, 2010 at 1:00 p.m. at the Higginbotham's Community Center in Rising Star there will be a public auction.

The Rising Star Foundation is a 501 c3 non-profit organization that operates a business incubator located within the Higginbotham Community Center in downtown Rising Star.

Newton's Antiques & Collectibles, an antique store and mall, has occupied this business incubator for the past several years and has decided to go out of business. The Rising Star Foundation will offer at public auction with no minimums or reserves the contents and store fixtures contained within this incubator.

The Board of Directors of the

Rising Star Foundation will conduct the Auction with assistance from Rising Star Auction Company aucitoneers Danny Koonce and Earl Ragland.

Everyone is invited to come out the 18th and attend this "going out of business" sale which will benefit the Rising Star Foundation. There are more than 60 pieces of furniture including vintage and contemporary styles and also many collectibles and miscellaneous items.

If you need additional information you can contact the Rising Star Foundation at 254-643-3423 or email wahill@rxol.net or Rising Star Auction Company at 254-643-4600 or email rsac@rxol.net.

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Church Directory

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
 Matt McGowen, Pastor (254) 725-4599
 Church (254) 725-6266 Bible Teaching
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 Al Taylor, Preacher
 Phone: 254-725-7522
 Cell Phone: 325-370-6680

Pioneer Baptist Church

Pastor: Billy Smith 254-725-6268
 Sunday School.....10:00 am
 Sunday Morning Worship.....11:00 am
 Sunday Evening Worship.....6:00 p.m.
 Wednesday Prayer Service.....7:00 p.m.
 Music Director: Barbara Jo Medley

Living Water Ministries Fellowship

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 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
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Obituaries



DOXIE PILLANS
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Doxie Pillans McPherson

Doxie Pillans McPherson, age 79, of Baird, TX, passed away Friday, July 9, 2010, in Hendrick Medical Center, Abilene, TX. Services were held Monday, July 12, 2010, at First Baptist Church of Baird, interment followed in Atwell Cemetery. Officiating was Pastor Jimmy Hatcher, assisted by Rick Cunningham. Parker Funeral Home of Baird was in charge of arrangements.
 Doxie was born on November 28, 1930, in Atwell, TX, to Benjamin Palmer Pillans and Nona Ann Foster Pillans. She graduated from Cross Plains High School in 1948. Doxie and Kenneth Wayne McPherson married in Atwell, TX, in 1951, and they moved to Baird in 1952. Doxie worked for many years as the secretary to the Superintendent of Baird ISD, and later worked for the Callahan County Farmer's Coop and the City of Baird. She became the secretary of the West Texas Utilities when it established in Baird in 1980, and retired after 15 years of service.
 Doxie was a member of the First Baptist Church where she sincerely enjoyed her involvement in the Esther Sunday School Class. She enjoyed many years of following her children and grandchildren in their various sporting activities. In addition, she was devoted to her siblings and always looked forward to their annual summer reunions. Doxie was loved and cherished by her children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren, as well as her many friends in the community. Her family thanks God for giving them such a special mother and grandmother.
 Survivors include 2 daughters, Barbara Barron and husband Terry, and Sheila Menzies and husband Mike, and 1 son, Kenneth Shane McPherson, all of Baird, TX; 3 sisters, Ruby Moore of Abilene, her twin, Roxie Fletcher and Nona Belote, both of Cross Plains; 2 brothers, Benja Pillans of Abilene, TX, and John C. Pillans of Cross Plains; 4 grandchildren, Halye Cunningham, Barton Kendrick, Jordan McClain, and Brittany McPherson; 6 great-grandchildren; and numerous nieces and nephews.
 She was preceded in death by her husband, Kenneth, in 2002, 1 brother, and 5 sisters. The family suggests memorials to the First Baptist Church, 240 Race Street, Baird, TX, 79504.

Pauline Regian

Pauline Regian, age 86, of Rising Star, passed away Monday, July 12, 2010 at the Rising Star Nursing Center. A memorial service will be held for her at a later date.

She was born on December 28, 1923 to Floyd D. and Carrie Jane (Calhoun) Lee in Callahan County, Texas.

Survivors include a son Troy Sawyer of Brownwood; a daughter, Edith Sorrell of Tucson, Arizona; and many nieces and nephews who loved her very much.

Kenneth "Kenny" Fox

Kenneth "Kenny" Fox, 33, of Clyde died Wednesday, July 7, 2010 at a local hospital. Memorial services were held at 2:00 p.m. Saturday at the First United Methodist Church in Clyde with Rev. James Holman officiating under the direction of Bailey-Howard Funeral Home.

Kenny was born July 23, 1976 in Abilene, Texas to Lee Charles and Debra Jean (Powell) Fox. He graduated from Baird High School. Kenny married Brandy Blackstock in Benbrook on July 25, 2008.

When Kenny was 12, he discovered he had Friedreich's ataxia. He was an avid Dallas Cowboy fan.

Survivors include his wife Brandy of Clyde; his parents Lee and Debra Fox of Breckenridge; two daughters, Chelsea and Ashley Fox, both of Clyde; one son, Matthew Blackstock of Clyde; a brother, Jason Fox and wife Jill of Lancaster.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the First Financial Bank- Clyde, FBO Kenny Fox.

Chelsea Gae Billings

Chelsea Gae Billings, 22, of Baird, died Thursday, July 8, 2010 at an Abilene hospital. Graveside services were held at 10 a.m. Saturday at the Buffalo Gap Cemetery with Merv Warrick officiating, under the direction of Bailey-Howard Funeral Home.

Chelsea was born July 31, 1987 in San Antonio to Joseph Arden Billings and Annetta Gay McDaris. She graduated from Jim Ned High School and was a member of Elm Creek Baptist Church. Chelsea moved to Baird from Arlington in 2008.

Survivors include her mother, Gay Hendrickson "Lucky" of Baird; her father Joe Billings of Las Vegas; one sister, Stephanie Billings of Clyde; aunt Melissa McKibben and husband Shaun and family of Abilene; uncle Mat McDaris and wife Christy of Keller; and cousins, Sara and J.D. Reeves and children of Abilene; Tracy and Thumper Shelton of San Angelo, and J.D. Stoddard of Lawn.

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Barb's Cues

By Barbara Holmes Worcester

Clay Balls

A man was exploring caves by the seashore. In one of the caves he found a canvas bag with a bunch of hardened clay balls. It was like someone had rolled clay balls and left them out in the sun to bake.

They didn't look like much, but they intrigued the man, so he took the bag out of the cave with him. As he strolled along the beach, he would throw the clay balls one at a time out into the ocean as far as he could.

He thought little about it, until he dropped one of the clay balls and it cracked open on a rock. Inside was a beautiful, precious stone!

Excited, the man started breaking open the remaining clay balls. Each contained a similar treasure. He found thousands of dollars worth of jewels in the 20 or so clay balls he had left. Then it struck him.

He had been on the beach a long time. He had thrown maybe 50 or 60 of the clay balls with their hidden treasure into the ocean waves. Instead of thousands of dollars in treasure, he could have taken home tens of thousands, but he had just thrown it away!

It's like that with people. We look at someone, maybe even ourselves, and we see the external clay vessel. It doesn't look like much from the outside. It isn't always beautiful or spar-

ling, so we discount it.

We see that person as less important than someone more beautiful or stylish or well known or wealthy. But we have not taken the time to find the treasure hidden inside that person.

There is a treasure in each and every one of us. If we take the time to get to know that person, and if we ask God to show us that person the way He sees them, then the clay begins to peel away and the brilliant gem begins to shine forth.

May we not come to the end of our lives and find out that we have thrown away a fortune in friendships because the gems were hidden in bits of clay. May we see the people in our world as God sees them.

I am so blessed by the gems of friendship I have with each of you. Thank you for looking beyond my clay vessel.

From the internet.

Goodie Balls

1/2 cup peanut butter
 1/2 cup honey
 1/2 cup instant cocoa or carob powder
 2 cups peanuts or soy nuts
 1/2 cup sunflower seeds
 1 cup toasted wheat germ

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COTTONWOOD NEWS

BEVERLY BROWN

This Friday is the night for the Cottonwood Musical. Come out to the Cottonwood Community Center and welcome some of the old-timers back to Cottonwood. Many of the musicians scheduled on the program played the Cottonwood Musicals back in the old days. You won't want to miss this great old country music. Chuck Patrick will be the emcee. The doors open at 5 p.m. and the music starts at 6 p.m. There's no charge for the musical.

Many of the ladies of the Cottonwood Community are fixing sandwiches and dessert. Coffee, iced tea and soft drinks will be available in the kitchen area of the building. Proceeds from the sandwiches, dessert and drinks go toward the upkeep of the Community Center.

As always, we plan to have a

good time. Sure hope you can come out and visit with friends and neighbors and enjoy some great country music.

Fire Chief Joe, our resident barbecue cooker, has been busy fixing briskets. He'll be cooking the barbecue for the brisket sandwiches for the musical on Friday night. And, between brisket cooking orders, he's still working on getting the barbecue place open.

The Cottonwood Volunteer Fire Control Group will have their next meeting on Tuesday, July 20th at 7 p.m. at the new firehouse. Board members will meet at 6:30 p.m. for a short meeting.

The Cottonwood Quilting Club's been working on the "Rehab Quilt". This is the quilt that the ladies create and stitch

each year that goes into the West Texas Rehabilitation Center Auction in January. Last year's "Colorado Log Cabin" Quilt raised \$710 for Rehab. The quilters have been quilting a half day during the summer. They're at the center from 9 a.m. until noon on Tuesdays.

Everyone's been canning and freezing and putting up vegetables from their gardens—and fighting the grasshoppers.

Teri and Gilbert report that she visited with Richard and Janelle Purvis when they stopped by Cross Plains last week.

Please be careful when you come out on our dirt roads in Cottonwood. Watch for the kids, the dogs and the other animals that occasionally stray from their pens.

LIBRARY NOTES

July 5-9, 2010

Patrons: 165
Summer Reading Program: 41
Books Checked Out: 155
Copies: 70
Reference: 6
Internet Users: 65

Book Donations:

John Burleson
Wayne Odom
Ginny Hoskins
Charles Rodenberger

Donations:

Connie's Cuts and Curls
Connie Kirkham
Cross Plains Grain and Peanut
Glenn and Peggy Winfrey

Memorials:

Kennith and Ann Beeler
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Volunteers:

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Angela Bogart
Sue Bennett
Megan France
Michael Ellis
Arlene Stephenson
Suzy Stiver-Nash
Wilma Lawrence

AARP suggests home safety tips for senior citizens

By Kim Loop
AARP Texas

For many seniors, homes have rich history. Memories of children growing, precious family moments and fun times with friends are around every corner.

But fewer folks realize that some changes may need to be made to ensure their homes can continue to be as rewarding for many more years to come. Not to fret, we're not suggesting you undertake a large remodeling project. Most of the changes that can help keep you safe in your own home are pretty simple and don't cost a lot of money.

Here we'll highlight the modifications that are suitable for DIY projects, whether you truly do them yourself or enlist the help of a friend or family member. There are other changes that contractors can assist with, but often these simple ones make a considerable difference.

In the bathroom, you should

consider:

Grab bars in the shower, by the toilet and by the bathtub, rubber strips or a non-skid mat in the bathtub, a hand-held flexible shower head, an adjustable shower seat, a phone that's within reach at all times, a transfer bench outside the bathtub (for getting in and out easier).

Around the home, be sure to have: Lever or easy-to-use push door handles, faucets and light switches, nighttime lights in hallways, stairways and frequently used rooms, bright lighting in all parts of the house, adjustable height closet rods and handrails along staircases.

There are other tips that relate to having a neat house: Make sure all walkways are clear of clutter. Remove all rugs, or secure them with carpet tape. Wipe up any spills immediately. Outside, make sure there is adequate drainage, preventing slippery surfaces.

Other suggestions apply to all

homes, and you've undoubtedly heard them many times before. For example, install smoke detectors throughout your home, test them regularly and be sure their batteries are functional.

Making these adjustments to your home will help you (or your parents) continue to live independently and at home. These changes aren't just for the 65+ plus crowd. Anyone who intends to stay in their home for many years and decades to come should start thinking about accessibility and universal design.

See our full checklist on making your home as safe as it can be: http://assets.aarp.org/external_sites/caregiving/checklists/checklist_homeSafety.html

Already made modifications to your home and ready to help friends, family and neighbors do the same? Check out the Create the Good guide to help you. <http://www.createthegood.org/toolkit/home-safety-tips-tools>

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Attention Farmers, Gardeners, Crafts-People!

Clyde Farmers Market set for July 17th

The seasonal, weekly Clyde Farmers Market is kicking off on Saturday, July 17th at 7:00 in the morning! One of the goals of Clyde Incorporated's Villiage Green Project is to support local growers and crafts-people by encouraging and expanding the exchange of locally grown and handmade goods.

If you are, or if you know someone who is interested in

joining this venture, please contact Village Green Project Manager, Chef Joel Trueblood, at 325-829-7782. Growers and craftspeople, even musicians are still needed and are encouraged to participate. The Clyde Farmers Market will be located inside the fence at Happy Trails Furniture, located on the North Access Road in Clyde, next door to Blake Fulenwider's Dealership.

Submitted by: Erica Stallings

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BY AMBER THOMAS

WEEKLY ACTIVITIES

Monday, 19th- 10am Movie Monday, Cokes & Popcorn
Tuesday, 20th- 11am Exercise Class, 10am Mexican Train Dominoes.
Wednesday, 21st- Birthday's Celebrated!! - 12:30pm Free Foot Care by Girling
Thursday, 22nd- 11:00am Exercise Class, 12:15pm Brownie Sundaes
Friday, 23rd- No Activities Planned

Do you know someone that would benefit from a Home Delivered Meal?

The Cross Plains Senior Citizen Center would always like to know if you or someone you know would benefit from a Home Delivered Meal. The meals are delivered Monday-Friday from 11:45am-12:45pm. A hot, nutritious, and delicious meal is available for those who qualify. Please feel free to call the Center Monday-Friday from 9:00am-2:00pm to see if we can help - 254-725-6521.

Farmers Market

Do you have an abundance of fruits and vegetables from your garden? The center has a table that is designated for produce for the Seniors. If you have extra garden items, please bring them to the center and we will put them out to help our seniors get fresh fruits and vegetables.

Volunteer Delivery Drivers Needed!

The Cross Plains Senior Center is in need of a few great people to help deliver Meals on Wheels for the Seniors in this great community! A few spots are open for July and substitute drivers are always needed. If interested or available, please call the center at 725-6521.

SENIOR CITIZENS MENU

JULY 19-JULY 23

MONDAY- Stuffed Bell Peppers, Beans, Bread & Dessert, Tea/Corn, Salad, Bread & Dessert, Coffee/Milk
TUESDAY- Sloppy Joes, Pork-N-Beans, Pickles, Onions, Dessert, Tea/Coffee/Milk
WEDNESDAY- Chicken & Dressing, Sweet Potatoes, Green Beans, Bread & Dessert, Tea/Coffee/Milk
THURSDAY- Beef Tips, Noodles, Salad, Bread & Dessert, Tea/Coffee/Milk
FRIDAY- Ham Salad Sandwich, Shoe Peg Salad, Fruit, Dessert, Tea/Coffee/Milk

Cross Timbers Southern Baptist Association Southern Baptist Convention Seminary Extension July 2010

If you have an interest in joining our study of the book of Hebrews NT 0185 in the fall of 2010 (August-November) notify Baylis Pope at his home phone, 254-725-7749 or Dan Nelson at Dan's Studio 559-1545.

Classes will begin the first week of August. We will need to know your plans to purchase the Study Guide and the textbooks:

Herschel H. Hobbs *Hebrews, R.E. Glaze, Jr. No Easy Salvation, and Thomas D. Lea Hebrews and James in Holman New Testament commentary, vol. 10, by the last week of August.*

Our most recent class was held in Breckenridge. If you are not near there but would like to see about taking the course; give me a call.

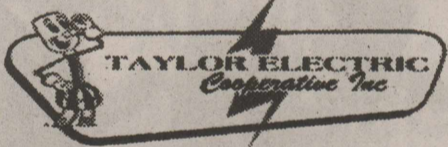
In Appreciation

I thank God for allowing me to live 90 happy years, and to the boys and their families for such a wonderful party.

Thanks to all the family and friends for making the time and effort to come to the party, for all the cards and gifts, and to the Church of Christ for allowing us to use their Activity Center.

It was a wonderful day!

I do thank you and may God bless you,
Virginia Pope



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We live in a defective world with various threats and uncertainty all around us. Whether we stand against evil or surrender to it, is a choice we make. Many see the evil around us and simply believe there is no use in fighting it. But we can be and are in fact, more than conquerors in Christ Jesus. We have the full armor of God available to us to extinguish the flaming arrows of evil. That is the real security and peace of mind.

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For more information contact the chamber office at (254) 725-6951



SUMMER BASKETBALL — #12 Justin Golson lays it up on a fast break against Ballinger. Blake Hutchins, right in black, gets ready for a rebound.



SUMMER LEAGUE — Travis Golson, center white t-shirt, summer league coach, directs the team during a timeout.

Boys Varsity Basketball Goes Undefeated in both Summer Leagues

It was a successful summer for the Buffaloes. The team played in both the Coleman and Comanche summer leagues ending with a 15-0 record. It has been such a pleasure watching these young men develop as athletes. They are playing good basketball right now, a way that most people envisioned they were capable of doing. The boys have really put in a lot of time and dedication towards the basketball program and it will pay off next season...they are excited about the possibilities of next year and are determined that their season will not end when district play is over.

Those players who participated in the summer leagues were: Justin Golson, Chance Senclair, Cody Self, Blake Hutchins, Taylor Savell and Joel Hinten. Other players who participated but were able to make just a few games were Garrett Moening, Cody Ford and Pat Border.

The players who participated in the Junior Varsity leagues were: Dakota Bomar, Joe Holland, Dakota Gilliam, Justin Pope, Brice Wadell, Cutter Halse, Angus Worcester, Josh Branch, Colton McWilliams, Tristen Stephenson and Preston Posuk.

Thanks to all the coaches who helped out during the summer league games and team camps: Travis Golson, John Fred McWilliams, Michael Tolley, Denis Yeager and Glen Senclair. Also, thanks to all the moms who helped out with anything and everything: Shawna Tolley, Kaymie Wells, Samantha Beaty, Deana Golson and Melody McWilliams.

The 2010-11 boys basketball schedule will be posted on the school website as soon as school begins.

Submitted by
Coach Edmonds

CROSS PLAINS I.S.D. SCHOOL BOARD MEETING

A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Cross Plains I.S.D. will be held on July 15, 2010, beginning at 6:00 p.m. in the high school. The subjects to be discussed or considered upon which any formal action may be taken are as follows:

CALL MEETING TO ORDER

1. Open Forum
2. New Business
 - A. Approve Minutes from Previous Meeting
 - B. Review Payment of Bills/ Finance Report
 - C. Review Athletic Policy
 - D. Consider Bids on Diesel

and Milk for 2010-11
E. Approve Student Lunch and Breakfast Prices for 2010-11

F. Approve Recommendations from Policy Review Session Regarding (LOCAL) Policies

G. Set Date for Budget Workshop (Aug. 19, 2010 at 6:00?)

H. Set Date for Budget Hearing and to Adopt the Proposed 2010-11 Budget and Tax Rates (Tuesday, August 31, 2010 at 6:00?)

3. Personnel

A. Resignations

B. Recommendations for Employment

4. Superintendent's Report

A. GPA Calculations for 2010-11 School Year

B. Student and Teacher Cell Phones?

C. GPA Calculations?

D. Electricity Kilowatt Usage

E. Employee Handbooks

F. Student Handbooks and Code of Conduct

5. Adjourn.

This notice was posted in compliance with the Open Meetings Act on July 12, 2010 at 3:00 p.m. by Phil Mitchell for the Board of Trustees.

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Baseball Tryout and Hitting Camp

Coast to Coast Baseball would like to invite local players (ages 10-18) to one of our upcoming tryout events. At the tryout, our staff will evaluate your skills in four areas: hitting, fielding, arm strength and speed.

Players who are accepted to the program, may choose to represent the USA in competition in Puerto Rico, or work with top college coaches and pro scouts at one of the Florida or Arizona Camp and Showcase events held at a MLB spring-training complex.

In addition to the tryout, an instructional hitting camp will be held the same day. The goal of the camp is to help players improve hitting fundamentals as well as their mental approach at the plate. Events will be held at:

University of Dallas - Monday, Dallas August 2

Spring Westfield HS - Wednesday, Spring, TX August 4

St. Edward's University - Saturday, Austin, TX August 7

McMurray University

Abilene, TX - Saturday, August 14

Smithson Valley HS - Saturday, New Braunfels - September 11

El Paso Del Valle HS - Saturday, El Paso - September 25

Tryout Begins: 10 a.m.

Hitting Camp Begins: 2 p.m.

Since the summer of 2001, nearly 2000 athletes (ages 11-12, 13-14, 15-16 and 17-18) from 46

different states have participated in the Coast to Coast Baseball program. Their alumni now compete at every level of collegiate baseball...and even professionally.

For more information, players and parents can visit their website. Register for one or both events on the website or by calling their office:

www.CoastToCoastAthletics.com

740-373-4455.

The Summer Reading Express at the Cross Plains Public Library made stops in several locations last week. Miss Sue's Little Riders visited the South American Rain Forest with several stories about the region. The crafts made that day were colorful rain forest snakes!

For the special programming, the children went to the Cross Plains Volunteer Fire Department to learn all about the duties and responsibilities of the Emergency Medical Team. The first facts were immediately given as the medical team on call and main ambulance was summoned for an emergency run right before the children were scheduled to be there. This gave the backup team of Gerald Brown

and Angela Bogart an opportunity to explain that they may be called at any time night or day to attend to someone in need. Gerald and Angela showed the kids the medical equipment that is used and explained why it is used, letting the kids have hands on experiences with several tools so they could become familiar with them, taking away the fear of the unknown.

Tiffany's Teens and 'Tweens worked their paper mache maracas by adding colorful paint to them.

Next week the Southwest Mobile Dairy will be coming to do a special program. In order to make it more comfortable for the dairy cows, the program will be at 10:00 Wednesday morning.

Be sure to note this time change. The Mobile Dairy Classroom is a division of the Southwest Dairy Museum, Inc. It is a traveling milking parlor, carrying a live cow and providing an oral presentation, a milking demonstration and an answer session.

Sue Bennett's Little Riders will be taking a break from their adventure travels to have a little rest and relaxation by stopping to do a little fishing! Come see what Miss Sue has planned at 1:00.

Teens and 'Tweens, come by at 3:00 to see what Tiffany has planned for you!

Submitted by
Linda Burns
Library Director

Free Physicals Provided at Local Clinic for Cross Plains ISD Athletes

FREE physicals will be provided at SCCRC Resource Care Community Health Center in Cross Plains for Cross Plains I.S.D. 7th, 9th and 11th grade athletes on the following dates:

GIRLS - July 20th
1-4:30 p.m.

BOYS - July 22nd
1-4:30 p.m.

No appointments are necessary, just come to the clinic during the

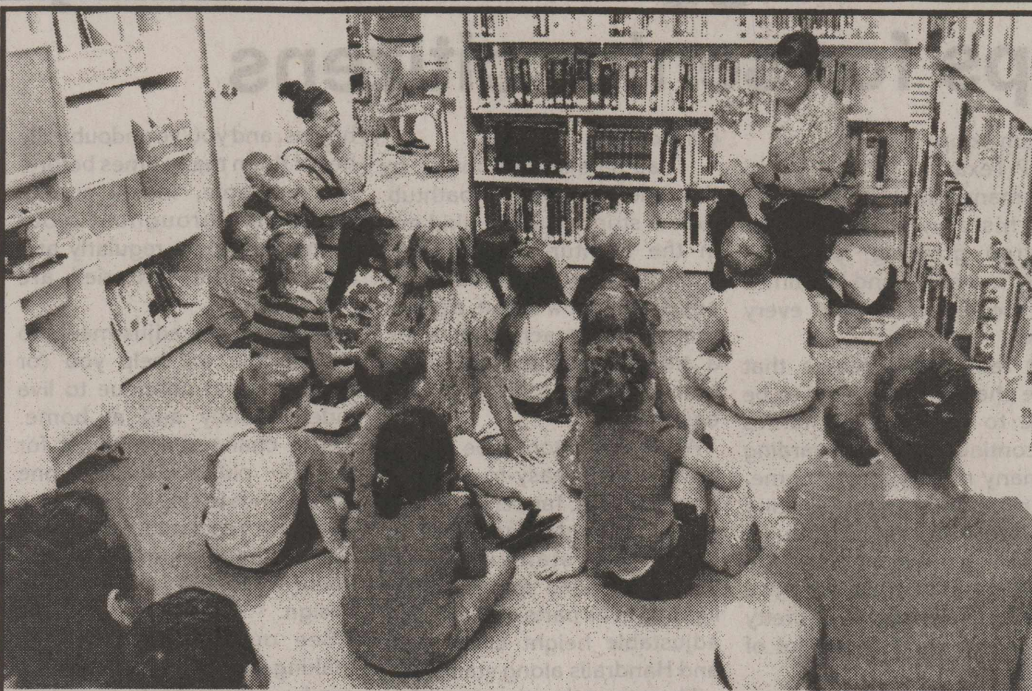
designated time periods. Physicals are needed in order to participate in athletic activities for the upcoming year.

For further information contact Coach Ramsey at 325-370-3572.

If students wear glasses, please bring them with you to the exam. Parents must complete their portion of the form and sign it before the exam can be performed.



SUMMER LIBRARY PROGRAM — Kids participating in the summer reading program were treated to a tour of the Cross Plains Volunteer ambulance bay.



MISS SUE'S LITTLE RIDERS — enjoying a great story by Miss Sue.



TIFFANY'S TEENS & 'TWEENS — enjoying a craft project during the summer library program.

USDA Rural Development seeks applicants for grants to assist rural cooperative and businesses spur job creation

TEMPLE, TEXAS, July 1, 2010- USDA Rural Development announced today that it is accepting grant applications to assist rural businesses and create job opportunities through cooperative development centers. This funding is being made available through the Rural Cooperative Development Grant program.

"USDA Rural Development's mission is to provide assistance that will increase the economic conditions of rural communities," said Paco Valentin, USDA Rural Development Texas State Director. "By providing these grants, we will increase technical and educational assistance available to rural business owners through cooperative development centers and in turn, promote job creation and improve rural business operations."

Grants of up to \$225,000 may be awarded to colleges, universities, and non-profit

groups to create and operate centers that help individuals or groups establish, expand or operate rural businesses, especially cooperatives. The centers promote President Obama's goal to bring increased economic opportunities to rural residents by allowing them to acquire tools to help their businesses grow. Cooperative program grants can be used, among other things, to conduct feasibility studies, create and implement business plans, and help businesses develop new markets for their products and services.

USDA may award up to \$7.9 million in grants through this notice of funding availability. Grants may finance up to 75 percent of the cost of establishing and operating the cooperative centers. Recipients must match 25 percent of the total project cost. Applications are due August 9, 2010. The application guide for this grant program can be found at

HYPERLINK "<http://www.rurdev.usda.gov/rbs/coops/rcdg/rcdg.htm>" <http://www.rurdev.usda.gov/rbs/coops/rcdg/rcdg.htm>

For more information, please see the June 25, 2010 *Federal Register* at HYPERLINK "<http://edocket.access.gpo.gov/2010/2010-15428.htm>" <http://edocket.access.gpo.gov/2010/2010-15428.htm>

Through its Rural Development mission area, USDA administers and manages more than 40 housing, business and community infrastructure and facility programs through a network of 6,100 employees located in the nation's capital and 500 state and local offices. These programs are designed to improve the economic stability of rural communities, businesses, residents, farmers, and ranchers and improve the quality of life in rural America. Rural Development has an existing portfolio of more than \$138 billion in loans and loan guarantees.

Heartworm: Growing Problem in Callahan County Area with Increase Mosquito Numbers

Dogs with heartworms are being diagnosed on a regular basis in our area. Over 40 cases were diagnosed in 2009. 38 cases have been diagnosed since the first of the year. Our area was once thought to be a low incidence area, however, increased awareness of the problem has increased the testing for heartworms. With the rapid increase in the numbers of heartworm cases, we must take a more aggressive approach to the problem. Heartworm checks and preventatives must be initiated to decrease the incidence of the disease.

Heartworms are on the increase: Mild winters with increased rainfall resulting in more mosquitoes and year around exposure. Owners traveling with their dogs either to or from areas with severe heartworm problems. Owners more aware of the problem which results in more testing of infected dogs.

This is such a deadly disease that it is well worth reminding owners of certain facts: The net result of heartworm disease is the serious mechanical damage it causes to a dog's

heart, lungs, liver and kidneys. While it is stopping up kidneys and blood flow, there are few outward signs of all the internal damage being caused until the disease is very far along. Mosquitoes are key carriers of heartworm disease. When an infected dog is bitten by a mosquito, blood is carried away, which may include tiny, immature forms of heartworms called microfilaria. It takes about three months for these microfilaria to travel through the tissues of the body to enter the heart. Dozens of these larvae travel through the tissues of the body to enter the heart. These larvae (some of which can actually become up to 14 inches long) become adults within another three months. By that time, much of the mechanical damage just mentioned has become fact.

Thanks to research and modern preventative medicine, there is a lot you can do to avoid heartworms in the first place or see that it is successfully treated if it hasn't progressed too far: A blood test is the only way to detect heartworm disease in its early stages. Since it's possible for

an infected dog to have adult heartworms without microfilaria, a thorough examination and other lab tests may be needed to confirm heartworm infection. After the disease has progressed, symptoms can include frequent coughing, sluggishness, rapid tiring and finally, labored breathing. If caught in time, a series of injections of an organic arsenical drug can be used to kill heartworms. Then another drug must be used to kill the microfilaria. No vaccine is available for heartworm disease. You can give regular doses of a medication, which can prevent infective larvae from developing into adult heartworms. Prevention can be in the form of a tablet or a chewable treat once a month, or an injection that will last 6 months.

Also, recently a preventative for cats has become available. Cat heartworms are on the increase nation wide but is not at the high incidence levels as in dogs. We have diagnosed only one case of feline heartworms.

LEGAL NOTICE

THE STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF CALLAHAN

In the name and by the authority of the State of Texas, notice is hereby given as follows: TO

judgment herein.

You are hereby notified that suit has been brought by the County of Callahan, Plaintiff, against the above named persons, as Defendants, by petition filed on March 26, 2010, in a certain suit styled the County of Callahan et al vs. Spencer Johnson and Sandra Johnson et al, for collection of the taxes on said property and that said suit is now pending in the District Court of Callahan County, Texas, 42nd Judicial District, and the file number of said suit is T-1808, that the names of all taxing units which assess and collect taxes on the property hereinabove described, not made parties to this suit are NONE.

Spencer Johnson and Sandra Johnson, if living, and if any or all of the above named defendants be dead, the unknown heirs of each or all of said above named persons who may be dead, and the unknown heirs of the unknown heirs of said above named persons, and the unknown owner or owners of the hereinafter described land, and the executors, administrators, guardians, legal representatives, legatees and devisees of the above named persons, and any and all other persons, including adverse claimants, the unknown stockholders of any defunct corporations, their successors, heirs and assigns, owning or having or claiming any legal or equitable interest in or lien upon the following described property, delinquent to Plaintiff herein, for taxes, all of said property being located in said County and State, to-wit: Lot 7, Block 18, Original Townsite of the Town of Baird, Callahan County, Texas being that property more particularly described in Vol. 106, Page 689 of the Official Public Records, Callahan County, Texas.

Plaintiff and all other taxing units who may set up their tax claims herein seek recovery of delinquent ad valorem taxes on the property hereinabove described, and in addition to the taxes all interest, penalties, and costs allowed by law thereon up to and including the day of judgment herein, and the establishment and foreclosure of liens, if any, securing the payment of same, as provided by law.

Which said property is delinquent to Plaintiff for taxes in the following amount: \$2,058.57, exclusive of interest, penalties and costs, and there is included in this suit in addition to the taxes, all said interest, penalties and costs therein allowed by law up to and including the day of

and plead and answer to all claims and pleadings now on file and which may hereafter be filed in said cause by all other parties herein, and all of those taxing units above named who may intervene herein and set up their respective tax claims against said property.

You are hereby commanded to appear and defend such suit on the first Monday after the expiration of forty-two (42) days from and after the date of issuance of this citation as set out below, said appearance and answer date being the 6th day of September, A.D., 2010, (which is the return day of such citation), before the honorable District Court of Callahan County, Texas, to be held at the courthouse thereof, then to show cause why judgment shall not be rendered for such taxes, penalties, interest and costs, and condemning said property and ordering foreclosure of the constitutional and statutory tax liens thereon for taxes due the Plaintiff and the taxing units parties hereto, and those who may intervene herein, together with all interest, penalties, and costs allowed by law up to and including the day of judgment herein, and all costs of this suit.

This citation is issued and given under my hand and seal of said Court in the City of Baird, Callahan County, Texas, this 12th day of July, A.D., 2010.

(s) Sharon Owens
Clerk of the District Court,
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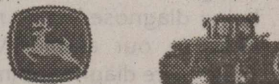
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Census Bureau Back to School facts

By August, summertime will be winding down and vacations will be coming to an end, signaling that back-to-school time is near. It's a time that many children eagerly anticipate — catching up with old friends, making new ones and settling into a new daily routine. Parents and children alike scan the newspapers and websites looking for sales to shop for a multitude of school supplies and the latest clothing fads and essentials. This edition of Facts for Features highlights the many statistics associated with the return to classrooms by our nation's students and teachers.

Back-to-School Shopping
\$7.2 billion—The amount of money spent at family clothing stores in August 2009. Only in December were sales significantly higher. Similarly, sales at bookstores in August 2009 totaled \$2.5 billion, an amount approached in 2009 only by sales in January.

For back-to-school shopping, choices of retail establishments abound: In 2007, there were 27,326 family clothing stores, 7,036 children and infants clothing stores, 27,213 shoe stores, 9,754 office supply and stationery stores, 23,756 sporting goods stores, 10,635 bookstores and 10,116 department stores.

Students
76 million—The number of children and adults enrolled in school throughout the country in October 2008 — from nursery school to college. They comprised 27 percent of the entire population 3 and older.

Pre-K through 12 Enrollment
53%—Percentage of 3- and 4-year-olds enrolled in school in October 2008.

72%—Percentage of children 3 to 6 enrolled in kindergarten who attended all day, as of October 2008.

56 million—The projected number of students to be enrolled in the nation's elementary through high schools (grades K-12) this fall.

11%—Projected percentage of elementary through high school students enrolled in private schools this fall.

43%—Percentage of elementary through high school students who were nonwhite (single race) or Hispanic, as of October 2008.

22%—Percentage of elementary through high school students who had at least one foreign-born parent in October 2008. Five percent were foreign-born themselves.

50%—Percentage of kindergarten through 12th-grade students in California who had at least one foreign-born parent in 2006. California led the nation, followed by Nevada with 36 percent. New York, Florida, Texas, Arizona,

New Jersey and Hawaii were some of the states that also had at least one-quarter of students this age with at least one foreign-born parent.

Nearly 80%—Percentage of students ages 12 to 17 who were academically on-track in 2006, up 8 percentage points from 1998. The odds of being on-track were 48 percent higher for these students if they were in a gifted class and 34 percent higher if they had never been suspended or expelled from school. (Students were considered to be academically on-track if they were enrolled in school at or above the grade level appropriate for their age.)

52%—Percentage of 12- to 17-year-olds who were highly engaged in school in 2006, up 5 percentage points from 1998. For 6- to 11-year-olds, the respective increase was from 56 percent to 59 percent.

41%—Percentage of 6- to 17-year-olds who participated in sports in 2006, up from 34 percent in 1998. Participation in sports was the most popular extracurricular activity.

Languages
10.9 million—Number of school-age children (5 to 17) who spoke a language other than English at home in 2008; 7.8 million of these children spoke Spanish at home.

45%—Percentage of children enrolled in kindergarten through 12th grade in California who spoke a language other than English at home in 2006. California, which led all states, was followed by Texas (35 percent), New Mexico (34 percent) and Arizona (32 percent). The national average was 21 percent. (The percentages for Texas and New Mexico were not significantly different from one another.)

Lunchtime
31 million—Average number of children participating each month in the national school lunch program in 2008.

10 billion—The nation's total apple production, in pounds, in 2009. The chances are good that the apples your children present to their teachers or enjoy for lunch were grown in Washington state, which accounted for more than half of the nation's total production.

College
19.1 million—The projected number of students enrolled in the nation's colleges and universities this fall. This is up from 13.8 million 20 years ago.

16%—Percentage of all college students 35 and older in October 2008. They made up 36 percent of those attending school part time.

64%—Percentage of undergraduates enrolled in four-year colleges in October 2008. Of those enrolled in such

schools, 83 percent attended full time.

49%—Percentage of 18- and 19-year-olds enrolled in college in 2008.

55%—Percentage of college students who were women in October 2008.

40%—Percentage of New Jersey residents who were college freshmen and attended school in-state, the lowest rate in the nation among states (as of fall 2006). Utah, at 90 percent, had the highest rate. (The District of Columbia had a rate of 29 percent.)

26%—Among freshmen enrolled in colleges and universities in Rhode Island, the percentage enrolled in their home state — the lowest percentage in the nation among states in 2006. Texas (92 percent) had the highest percentage in 2006. (The District of Columbia had a rate of 7 percent.)

How Many Schools?
98,793—Number of public schools in 2006-07. In 2007-08, there were 28,218 private schools.

4,352—Number of institutions of higher education in 2007.

3,970—The number of public charter schools nationwide in 2006-07. These schools, exempt from selected state and local rules and regulations, enrolled 1.2 million students.

Teachers and Other School Personnel
7.2 million—Number of teachers in the United States in 2008. Almost 3 million taught at the elementary and middle school level. The remainder included those teaching at the postsecondary, secondary, preschool and kindergarten levels.

\$63,640—Average annual salary of public school teachers in California as of the 2006-2007 school year — the highest of any state. Teachers in South Dakota received the lowest pay — \$35,378. The national average was \$50,758. High school principals earned \$97,486 annually in 2007-08.

\$16.56—Average hourly wage for the nation's school bus drivers in 2007-08. Custodians earned \$14.19, while cafeteria workers made \$11.60.

Technology
14.2 million—Number of computers available for classroom use in the nation's schools as of the 2005-2006 school year. That works out to one computer for every four students.

The Rising Cost of College
\$14,915—Average tuition, room and board (for in-state students) at the nation's four-year public colleges and universities for an academic year (2007-08). That was more than double the cost in 1990.

\$40,640—Average tuition, room and board at the nation's four-year private colleges and universities for one academic year (2007-08). That also was more than double the 1990 figure.

The Rewards of Staying in School
\$83,144—Average annual 2008 earnings of workers 18 and older with an advanced degree. This compares with \$21,023 for those without a high school diploma. In addition, those with a bachelor's degree earned an average of \$58,613 in 2008, while those with a high school diploma earned \$31,283.

\$75,621—Average starting salary offered to bachelor's degree candidates in petroleum engineering in 2008, among the highest of any field of study. At the other end of the spectrum were those majoring in a social science, who were offered an average of \$39,476.

Graduation
3.3 million—Projected number of high school diplomas that will be awarded in the 2010-11 school year.

3.3 million—Number of college degrees expected to be conferred in the 2010-11 school year.

Government Spending on Public Education
\$9,666—The per-pupil expenditure on public elementary and secondary education nationally in 2007. New York (\$15,981) spent the most among states or state equivalents, followed by New Jersey (\$15,691) and the District of Columbia (\$14,324). Utah (\$5,683) spent the least per student, followed by Idaho (\$6,625) and Tennessee (\$7,113).

Parental Involvement
89%—Among K-12 students, the percentage with a parent or other household member who attended a general school or PTO/PTA meeting during the 2006-07 school year. Additionally, 65 percent had such a relative who participated in school fundraising and 46 percent who volunteered to serve on a school committee.

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Clyde petition planned for election on beer and wine sales, mixed drinks

A group of about 20 "highly motivated" Clyde residents will be circulating a petition around the City of Clyde seeking to get 241 signatures on a petition to allow for beer and wine sales for off-premise consumption as well as a local option election to approve the legal sale of mixed beverages in restaurants.

Clyde City Administrator Roger Nelson brought into the *Clyde Journal* newspaper office Monday, July 12th, a notice of application for a local option election in Clyde for Tuesday, November 2, 2010.

Nelson said the committee members are "highly motivated" to get this petition signed before the deadline of July 23rd. He said before a petition is circulated, the committee must make an application with the County Clerk.

Nelson said before a local option election for the sale of beer and wine for off-premise consumption and mixed beverage sales in restaurants can be held, a petition with 241 signatures must be presented to the Callahan County Clerk by Friday, July 23rd to hold the election by November 2nd. Nelson said the number of signatures on the petition is based upon the number of voters in Clyde who voted in the last gubernatorial election.

The city administrator said that although the application says a local option election for the sale of mixed beverages in restaurants by food and beverage holders, the application does also include the sale of beer and wine by restaurants. He did say that restaurants will not be allowed to sell beer and wine for off-premise consumption.

Nelson said the ballot for the local option election will have two distinct ballot items with one for approval for the sale of beer and wine for off-premise consumption and the second to approve the sale of mixed beverages in restaurants by food and beverage holders.

Nelson said the name of the committee distributing the petition has not yet been decided,

and the group does not yet have a treasurer.

Nelson said if the committee obtains the correct number of signatures, the petition will be presented to the Callahan County Commissioners' Court and the commissioners' court has 60 days to act on the petition for a local option election.

The city administrator said the Clyde City Council is aware that a committee has been formed to circulate the petition within the city limits of Clyde.

When the required number of signatures on the petition are received, the County Clerk will look over the names on the petition to make sure those names are registered voters and reside within the city limits of Clyde. Only Clyde city limit residents will be allowed to vote in this local option election.

Nelson said that if the correct number of signatures are obtained, the commissioners' court must okay the election 70 days prior to the election date.

Nelson said unlike the City of Baird's local option election, the City of Clyde election will only include the sale of beer and wine for off-premise consumption, not distilled spirits. He said also unlike Baird's election, the City of Clyde's local option election will allow for the legal sale of mixed beverages in restaurants in the Clyde city limits.

If Clyde voters approve the local option election, businesses and restaurants can begin their licensing process within 30 days of the option election.

The sale of beer and wine for off-premise consumption will be taxed at the City of Clyde's current tax rate of 8.25 percent, of which the state receives 6.25 percent, while the City of Clyde receives 2.00 percent.

Mixed beverages sold in restaurants will be taxed at 14.00 percent, of which the State of Texas receives 12.5 percent and the City of Clyde brings in 1.5 percent. The tax on mixed beverages will be included in the price of the mixed drink sold by the restaurant.

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YOUNG FAN TOURS REH MUSEUM — Nolan Thomas, a 7th grader from Austin, is about the youngest fan to visit the REH Museum. Thomas enjoys video games and baseball as well as reading the Conan stories written by the local author. Nolan has been visiting Cross Plains and brought his grandmother, Barbara Robinson, to see the Museum with him.

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**Callahan County
DPS Report**

Calls received by the Callahan County Department of Public Safety from July 4, 2010 through July 10, 2010 include:

- Cases Investigated**
 Warnings—142
 Complaints—70
 Fugitive Arrest-Felony Assault—1
 Fugitive Arrest-Non Child Support—1
 Possession of Drug Paraphernalia—1
 Open Container—1
 Disorderly Conduct—1
 Minor Consuming Alcohol—1
 Vehicle Accidents

There was one vehicle accident investigated during this time span.



TXDOT SERVICE AWARD—Jeff Holland, right, sign technician in the Callahan County maintenance section, is presented a Certificate of Service by Lauren Garduno. Holland, a 15-year employee with the Texas Department of Transportation, was honored for his longevity during a recent supervisors meeting in Abilene. In addition to the framed certificate, he received a 15-year service pin and a buck knife, his gift of choice. Garduno is the Abilene District Engineer. (TxDOT photo by Mary Beth Kilgore)

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Barb's Cues

By Barbara Holmes Worcester

There is a lot of loose talk about what a bad place America is. It could be worse—it was in the '30's.

The Depression of the 30's left a heritage of mingled memories.

The old house with the side rooms, the barns, the sheds and the cow pens are long gone from the old home place. I found an old snuff bottle or two and some red rock from the top of the cistern about where I think the house sat. The hill over to the east was closer than I remembered. I hollered a couple of times and it echoed back just like it did when I was a country boy during the great depression of the early 30's.

They were hard years but many of the memories are happy ones. Memories of things like snow ice-cream, the smell of shoe polish and lye soap on Sunday morning, town boys spending the night and sleeping on beds in the yard, smoking cedar bark, doing without nice things and not knowing the difference.

About all the real excitement we had in those days was when the cat fell in the cistern or a candle fly got in the lamp globe. We had 18 cats and Daddy milked four old half-jersey cows to feed them. The hawks and skunks ate most of our chickens and about all we lived on was okra, rotten ended watermelons, cottontail rabbits and clabber.

Mama wore tennis shoes and under wear made out of flour sacks. Once she was crawling through a barbed wire fence and tore her panties right where it said "Light Crust Flour."

If there was any under arm

deodorant on the market, we didn't know about it and we had no air conditioners. If you got galled, we would slap a hand full of starch where it would do the most good and forget it.

In 1933, we all took the itch. Every night we would apply a liberal amount of sulphur and grease to our bodies, slip on a suit of long handle underwear and crawl into bed. Scratching kind of broke the monotony and gave us young folks something to giggle about. Daddy never did catch the itch. Mama said it was because he dipped snuff.

When we went to town we could cut off the motor and coast from the big hill to the forks of the road to save gas. Once we were in town an hour before we noticed a dead chicken on the running board of the car. We forgot to kick it off on the way.

The only way you could tell a rich man from a poor man was that the rich man had two cars standing on blocks instead of one.

The out door rest rooms we had were not very relaxing or comfortable and not places for deep range planning. Usually I was too busy trying to beat a wasp or a centipede to death with a Sears-Roebuck catalog while fighting a cold updraft or 120 degree heat.

On winter nights we huddled around a red hot wood heater, roasting the front and freezing in the rear. Daddy read Zane Grey books to us by a coal oil lamp.

I can remember like it was yesterday when Daddy was out of money for gifts on Christmas Eve. He went out in the yard, fired the shotgun, came back in the house and told us Santa

Claus had committed suicide.

The chickens roosted in a circle around the top rim of our drinking water barrel and my job every night before going to bed was to go out and turn them all around to where they were facing in.

Yes, I remember the depression. I can't forget the bad things, like people not having new clothes very often, like some people not having enough food or enough medical care or enough money to hold things together.

But I remember the good times, too, like people coming over to visit on the porch at night, without wondering what they wanted. Like a stranger stopping on the road to help you fix a flat. Like people just pulling together.

The great depression, as bad as it was, had a little good in it. I'm glad I was there and I'm glad that I am here now. I just hope I don't catch the itch again.

Jack Craft

QUICK DINNER BUNS

- 3/4 cup warm water (110°-115°)
- 1/4 cup sugar
- 2 1/4 cups sifted plain flour
- 1/4 cup soft shortening or butter
- 1 package active dry yeast
- 1 tsp. salt
- 1 egg

Dissolve yeast in water in mixing bowl. Add sugar, salt, 1/2 flour. BEAT thoroughly two minutes. Add egg, shortening. BEAT IN remaining flour until smooth.

Let rise in bowl 40-60 minutes in warm place. Stir down batter, drop into greased medium muffin pans. Let rise another 30 minutes or until double in bulk. Bake in 425° oven for 10 minutes. Yield: 1 dozen.

Lois Gates



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Trull-Ross Engagement Announced

Clifford Trull of Crosbyton is pleased to announce the engagement of his daughter Suzanne Trull to James Ross, son of Charlie and Beverly Ross of Cross Plains.

Suzanne is the daughter of the late Jean Trull of Crosbyton, and the granddaughter of Berneice Humphreys of Lubbock and the late Jim Humphreys. She is also the granddaughter of the late Harold and Bobbie Trull of Crosbyton.

James is the grandson of Mabel Ross of San Antonio and the late James Robert Ross. He is also the grandson of the late Roy Neil and Ellowayne Tatom of Cross Plains.

The bride is a 2005 graduate of Crosbyton High School and graduated from Texas Tech University in 2009. She is currently employed as a Documentation Specialist for Plains Cotton Cooperative

Association in Lubbock. The groom is a 2002 graduate of Cross Plains High School and graduated from Texas Tech University in 2007. He is currently employed as the Assistant Director of Recreation and Fellowship for First United Methodist Church in Lubbock. The couple will marry on September 25th, 2010 at First Baptist Church in Crosbyton.

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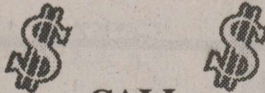
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