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Callahan County Jr. Livestock Show in Cross Plains Thursday, Friday and Saturday

The Annual Callahan County Jr. Livestock Show will be held at the Callahan County Jr. Livestock Barn in Cross Plains on Thursday, January 15th, Friday, January 16th and Saturday, January 17th. Starting time will be Thursday, January 15th, at 4:00 p.m. with the judging of the poultry and rabbits.

Superintendents for this year's show are:

- Heifers, Steers, & Beef-Buster and Karen Smith
- Market & Breeding Swine-Scotty Mitchell and Tom Windham
- Poultry & Rabbits-Scott Byrd
- Sheep & Goats-Bill & Kim Dean

Judging of the poultry and rabbits will begin at 4:00 p.m. on Thursday, January 15th with Paul Booth doing the judging. All participants must be checked in by 4:00 p.m. on the 15th.

Judging will begin at 8:00 a.m. on Friday, January 16th, Brad Brundage will judge the Boer Goat Show, then the Market Goat Show, followed by the Market Sheep Show.

At 1:00 p.m. on Friday, January 16th, Steve Bradshaw, will start judging the Breeding Swine followed by the Market Swine Show.

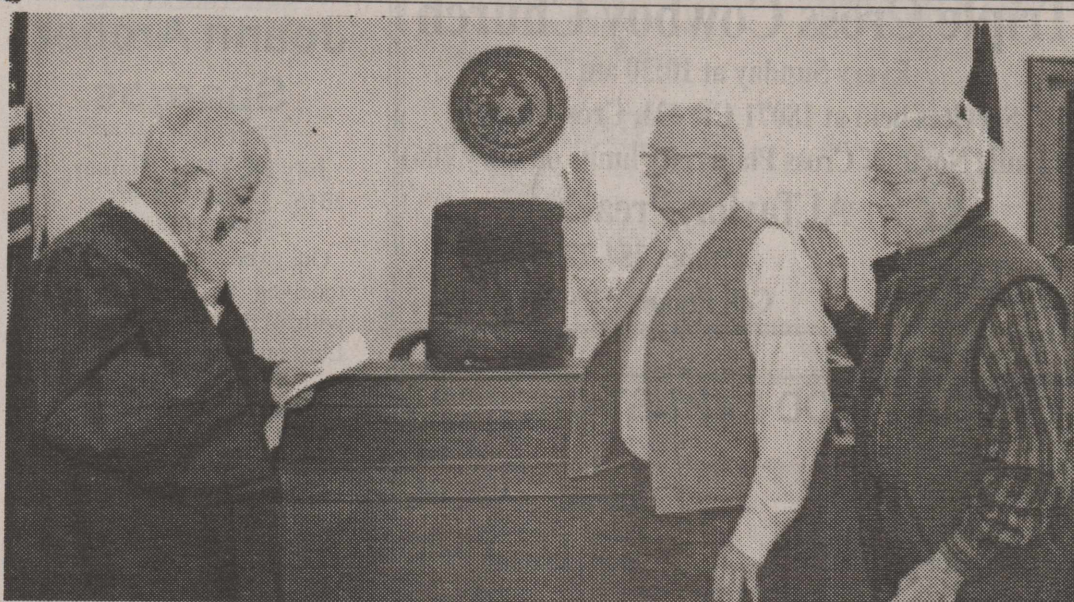
On the afternoon of the 16th from 2:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m. all steers and heifers will be classified and weighed.

Roy Shackelford, will get the judging of the Beef Cattle underway at 8:30 a.m. on Saturday morning, January 17th with the heifer show. Roy Shackelford will also judge the steer show immediately following the heifer show.

The Premium Sale will begin at 1:00 p.m. The Awards Presentation of all the trophies for the champion animals will be held prior to the premium sale auction.

Announcers for the three day show will be Jimmy Hargrove, Phil Mitchell, Jeremy Williams, Diana Dobbins, and Greg Gengross.

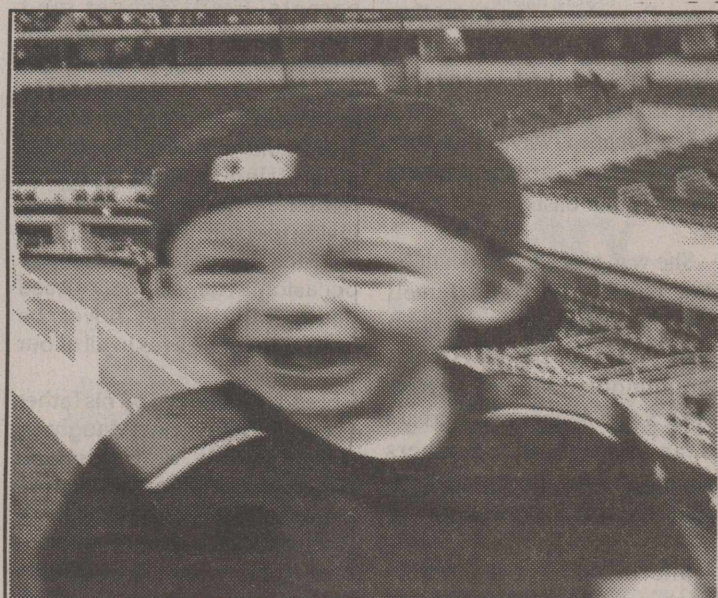
Officials of the Show would like to invite everyone out for all or part of the show and support the young folks of Callahan County.



CROSS PLAINS OATHS OF OFFICE—Callahan County Judge Roger Corn, at left, gives the oaths of office to Callahan County Precinct #4 Commissioner Cliff Kirkham, second

from left; and Callahan County Precinct #4 Justice of the Peace Burlie Taylor, right, during an oath of office ceremony held Monday, January 5th at the

County Courthouse in Baird. The oaths of office was delayed from January 1, 2015 until January 5, 2015 due to icy road conditions throughout the county.



Card of Thanks

It has been one year since I had a stroke and found out I had leukemia. My momma and daddy took good care of me and God gave the doctors and nurses at Cook Children's Hospital the knowledge to give me the right medicines to make me healthy. I like to run and play. I have been hunting, fishing and to lots of football games. My body gets stronger all the time. I want to say thank you for the love you have given to my family and especially for all the prayers.

-Owen Turner



A Big Thanks from Santa at the Bank.

Thank you to everyone that helped with the Santa Tree at the Bank. We had eighty two kids this year and that means we had eighty two plus "Santas". We want to thank everyone who sent a gift or donated money. I would like to thank the American Legion, the Texas Heritage Bank staff, the Dollar General Store, and the Cross Plains Review for all their help. We also thank the community for the generous giving. God has truly blessed us with a caring and giving community.

Cottonwood Fish Fry in conjunction with live music is January 23rd

On Friday, January 23, 2015, the old schoolhouse in Cottonwood, Texas will have the aroma of fish cooking and will be alive with country music. It just might bring back memories of a favorite fishing trip you may have experienced. Instead of sitting on the creek bank, you will have a warm, cozy building to enjoy eating and visiting with you neighbors in.

The Cottonwood Volunteer Fire Control Group will hold their Annual Fish Fry fundraiser in conjunction with the musical.

The Cottonwood Volunteer Fire Control Group, like most volunteer groups are funded by donations and fundraisers. If you would like to make a donation to the Cottonwood Volunteer Fire

Control Group, send it to 13085 CR 429, Cross Plains, Texas 76443. Any donation will be acknowledged and appreciated.

Mark your calendars for Friday night, January 23 2015, and travel to the Cottonwood Community Center, Cottonwood, Texas to enjoy a meal of fish or chicken, beans, coleslaw, fries, hushpuppies, with a dessert and drink. All for \$7.00 adult plate and \$3.50 child plate (for children under 10 years of age).

As always, The Cottonwood Country Musical promises to have some great entertainment.

I regret to say that the special guests have conflicting schedules and can't attend, but it won't take away from the entertainment for the night.

Letters To The Editor

Notice: More Facts on Cemetery Road Controversy

Thanks to HD Weaver for his letter to editor dated December 11, 2014, Titled "Public Funds Were Wasted in Coverup". His letter discloses little known facts about the Old Cottonwood Cemetery road controversy between the Cottonwood Historical Association and the Callahan County Commissioner Court.

The following details bring forward even more important facts.

Elmore Street, now County Road 442, is the only access to the Old Cottonwood Cemetery and the recently acquired Texas Historical Commission Historical Cemetery Marker. The old Cottonwood Cemetery is still in use and requires access in all weather conditions. Elmore Street (CR 442) has been in use for over 60 years by my personal account and for longer according to others who have resided in Cottonwood prior to my time. It was also used daily by the property owners located to the east of the cemetery for entry and exit to their residence/property.

The deed records of the property owners to the south of the road show that the road joined their property boundary on the north. Their deed did not give any portion of their property for the creation Elmore Street now CR 442. The warranty deed of the property owners on the north side of the road, shows the road joining their property boundary on the south. Again no portion of their property was given to create Elmore Street/CR 442. Elmore Street, along with other city streets and alleys, was platted as part of the old township of Cottonwood in 1888 for public use and was not sold as part of any adjoining properties.

The Cottonwood Historical Association, at its own expense, hired a surveyor to locate and stake the road boundary lines. The survey stakes were located and marked. A

survey map of the road and adjoining properties was made and this document was sent to the Cottonwood Historical Association, and the law firm representing the association. The road survey does not show the adjoining properties to be part of the roadway. There are currently five platted city streets that have county road designated numbers and are shown on the county road map. They are: Center Street now County Road 429, Bent Street now County Road 444, Elmore Street now County Road 442, Main Street now County Road 446, and Elm Street now County Road 437.

In 2006, the following public notice appeared in local newspapers:

Pursuant to article 258.002 (c) of the Texas Transportation Code, the Commissioner's Court of Callahan County, Texas, provides this notice to the public of its intention to convene a public meeting to receive comments upon the adoption of a county road map including each road in which the county claims then continued existence of a public interest and a right of access and egress for maintenance of an existing county road. The roads in which the county claims a public interest have been maintained for many years beginning sometime prior to 1981 and have previously been listed in a notice included in the 2005-06 Ad Valorem tax statement.

From the inspection of this notice, County Road 442 is listed as a road in which Callahan County claims the continued existence. From the Commissioner's Court meeting dated February 27, 2006, (filed in Vol. V, page 803, of Commissioner Court meetings), County Commissioner Holland made a motion to approve an order adopting a county road map, pursuant to Chapter 258, of the Texas Transportation Code. Commissioner Grider seconded the

motion and the motion carried 5-0.

Callahan County Road Index Vol. V, page 815 lists CR 442 as an existing county road. Other details of these proceedings are listed in Vol. V, pages 806, 807, & 808 in which it states that the Commissioner's Court did not receive any oral or written objections to the County Road Map.

Elmore Street formed the southern boundary of the old Cottonwood township plat. It intersected Cochran Street on the southwest boundary and proceeded east to the old cemetery frontage. Today it intersects Bent Street, now CR 444, and proceeds east to the old cemetery frontage. The road is shown on TX DOT maps, including those printed prior to 1981, indicating that it ends at the southeast corner of the old cemetery. No written documents excluding any portion of CR 442 are found to exist in the new road map file. The new county road map lists CR 442 as a continued county road. I was given this file by Judge Corn for inspection in his office on January 7, 2015.

Although all the written documents, the survey, a county road sign at the intersection of CR 429, and the local people's testimony stating that CR 442 still exists, and is vital to access of the old Cottonwood Cemetery and the Texas Historical Marker, the Commissioner's court continues to unanimously deny that CR 442 exists as a county road. The Court contends that this road is located on private property. The Cottonwood Historical Association members, and the general public that know the details and facts that surround the cemetery road controversy, remain frustrated about the Commissioner's Court's stand on the issue. We ask why the Commissioner's Court would spend over \$20,000 of our tax dollars to deny helping our

volunteer historical group (and others with similar road problems) to preserve the county's historical heritage. Instead the Commissioner's Court spends our tax dollars on a law firm 250 miles away.

Laws exist that state the commissioners court can lawfully spend money to help volunteer groups to preserve historical heritage in the county.

The state cemetery laws Section 713.028 allows Commissioner's Court to lawfully use public funds, county employees, and county equipment for the maintenance of cemeteries with graves more than 50 years old for the purpose of historical preservation.

We, the Cottonwood Historical Association, think this controversy has gone too far. The county judge and Commissioner's negative attitude and refusal to acknowledge the facts keeps this controversy growing.

I ask for your help on behalf of the Cottonwood Historical Association, and other cemetery associations in the county. With your help and support, we can put an end to the waste of tax dollars and historical groups money. These groups are funded by donations and fundraisers.

I urge you to let your elected county official know your thoughts on this controversy. The Callahan County Courthouse number is 325-854-5800. Or contact your appropriate County Commissioner.

I can be reached at 254-979-0673 to answer any questions or for any additional information on the controversy.

Your support on this issue is most appreciated by all.

Bob Robinson, Cottonwood Historical Association Board Member

Donations Needed

The Clothes Closet, "Kingdom's Door" Needs Boy's and Girl's clothing all sizes (jackets, coats, socks) are appreciated. Call Edith at First Baptist Church 725-7629 for drop off information.

Seniors and Students

Would you like to spend a few minutes each week helping students become better readers?

Melissa Richards will be bringing her third graders to the Senior Center twice a day every Thursday. This will give these students a chance to improve their skills by reading to an adult.

Join us each Thursday at 9:45-10:30 and/or 12:30-1:15 at the Senior Center. We are never to old to help someone or build a relationship.

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Morning Worship.....11:00 AM
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Pastor Max Evans
For Information Call (254) 725-7418

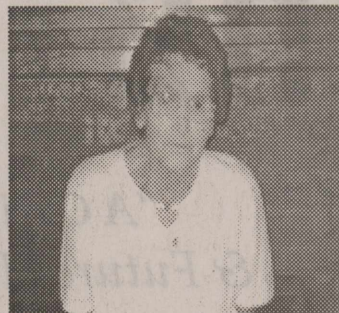
Rowden Baptist Church
Pastor: Wayne Lenz
Music: Karen Lenz & Diane Woods
Bible Study...10:00 am
Sunday Morning Worship...11:00 am
2990 Highway 36 at Rowden 12 Miles West of Cross Plains

Pioneer Baptist Church
Pastor: Dwaine Clowers Music Director: Barbara Jo Medley
Sunday School.....10:00am
Sunday Morning Worship.....11:00am
Sunday Evening Worship.....6:00pm
Wednesday Prayer Service.....7:00pm

First Presbyterian Church
Sunday Service 9:00 AM
Music- Connie Swift
Lead Singers: 4His Glory
Pastor Kathy Monroe
208 N. Ave. D

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433 North Main Street
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Morning Worship: 10:45 A.M.
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Evening Worship: 5:00P.M.
Wednesday: Evening: 7:00P.M.
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10:00A.M. (at the church activity center on East Hwy 36)
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Obituaries



Jewell Joann Archer Spargos

Jewell Joann Archer Spargos

July 28, 1934 - January 9, 2015

Our sweet Sister-Mom Joann received her wings and flew with the Angels to be with her Lord on January 9, 2015.

Joann was born on July 28, 1934 in Amarillo, Texas at 1:00 pm on a hot Texas Saturday afternoon, and Joann was the first-born child to Earl and Jewell Archer. She had brown hair, big brown eyes, and freckles on her nose when she was growing up. She was a proud *Leo* and her birthstone was a Ruby. Watching sports was a passion of hers, as well as talking about the scores with her brothers and brother-in-law Joe.

Joann attended elementary and grade school in Cottonwood, Texas and graduated high school from Cross Plains, Texas, after the Cottonwood school closed. She attended many sales training courses when she was selling Avon, as well as when she was managing a club in Oklahoma City. She was a member of the Cottonwood Baptist Church, Cottonwood, TX, being baptized at a very early age.

She grew up in Cottonwood, Texas and made many friends in Texas and then in Oklahoma City when she moved there over 40 years ago. She never knew a stranger and could easily talk and listen to anyone; once you were her friend you were a friend for life. Her lifelong best girlfriend was Gloria Strahan with a friendship that lasted for over 70 years. Joann would tell stories about Gloria, Danny Myrick, and the Varner girl and all the adventures and trouble they would get into as kids.

She married Buck Morris on December 21, 1953 and they were married for 17 years. She married Robert (Bob) Spargos on October 5, 1970 and they were married for 12 years.

Joann never had any children of her own, but always said she had her 10 brothers and sisters and nieces and nephews, so she did have her 'kids'. She helped raise her nieces and nephews Rita, Tracy, Dana, Melissa Gaye, Kristi, John, David, James, Lydia, and Andrea; her life was full from that standpoint.

Joann had a diverse work career spanning 50 plus years and held jobs as a homemaker/caregiver, waitress, hostess, Avon Sales associate, bar maid, club manager, and helped her brother Rex in many of his business ventures. Her most fulfilling job was caring for our Mother Jewell for the last 10 years of Mother's life. She was a top ranked sales person for Avon in her district and won awards for her sales.

She was a great cook and hostess and loved to hold family dinners. She loved a great cup of coffee with her three spoons of sugars.

Joann was an expert seamstress and she made many of her brothers and sisters clothes, as well as for her nieces and nephews. The embroidery

work she completed was impeccable in every detail and she was never satisfied until each stitch was just right. She also collected dolls, cookbooks, angels and fairies, and Charming Tails mice. She loved a great county song and Alan Jackson was her favorite singer and she loved to play dominoes.

Her nephew J.T. became her 'best buddy' as he took on the role of phone pal and chauffeur since Joann never learned to drive. For over 10 years, J.T. and Joann talked on the phone every day, had dinner on each Friday night, and shopped Wal Mart just about every week.

Her brothers Dan, Mc, Guy, Rex, JS, Claude, and Ted were the delight of her days always loving each one in her own special way. She had a bond with her sisters Barbara and Sharon that was more special than words can ever explain. She loved her brother-in-law Joe and they would spend hours talking sports, national news, and local events and she loved him dropping in to check on her to bring her a Coke.

Joann adored her sister-in-laws Beverly, Anita, Judy, Pat, and her oldest cousin Sherry Jeane. She loved to receive letters and cards, and Gloria and Sherry Jeane always made sure she got those cards and letters on a regular basis.

She was preceded in death by her parents Earl and Jewell Archer, grandparents Franklin and Sarah Elizabeth Archer, grandmother McKee, sisters Rita Swan Archer and Barbara Jean Burns, and brothers Douglas Mc, Raymond Dan, and Benton Rex Archer.

She is survived by her 4 bothers: Claude Boyd (Anita), Clyde, TX; Ted Archer (Wanda), Granbury, TX; Guy Archer, Stephenville, TX; and JS Archer (Beverly), Mount Calm, Texas; 1 sisters: Sharron Archer Merry (Joe), Oklahoma City, OK.; her best girlfriend Gloria Strahan, Lancaster, TX; her sweet cousin Sherry Jeane Meador, Abilene, TX; 14 nieces, 6 nephews and a host of friends across Texas and Oklahoma.

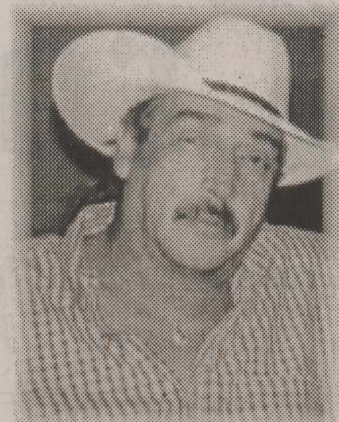
Her brother-in law Joe summed it up all well when he said, "Joann went through more than any one person should ever have to endure with what her life brought to her, but she did it her way."

Joann passed away at 11:45 am on January 9, 2015 at the Integris Hospice House in Oklahoma City, OK on a cold winter morning as the sun was beginning to shine. Services will be held with burial at the Cottonwood (West) Cemetery, Cottonwood, Texas to celebrate Joann's life. Date and time of the services are pending. Her brother, JS Archer will be officiating and her brother Guy and nephews Darwin Archer and Roger Hinkle are handling all the graveside preparation. Her sister Sharon and brother-in-law Joe are bringing her home. Arrangements are under the direction of John M. Ireland Funeral Home and Chapel of Moore, Okla.

"My life's been full, I've savored much - good friends, good times, a loved ones' touch. Perhaps my time seemed all too brief, but do not lengthen it now with undue grief. Lift up your hearts and peace to thee - God wanted me now, he set me free"

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Love Fund
A Love Fund has been opened for Jesse Markham at Texas Heritage Bank for Medical Expenses.



ALFREDO "FREDDY" MENDEZ JR.

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CLYDE - Alfredo "Freddy" Mendez Jr., 50, passed away on January 5, 2015 in Baird, Texas. A Funeral service was held at 12:00 p.m. Saturday, January 10, 2015 at Bailey Howard Funeral Home in Clyde under the direction of Bailey Howard Funeral Home. Visitation was at 6:00 p.m. Friday, January 9, 2015 with a Rosary following at 7:00 p.m. at the funeral home.

Freddy was born on the 16th of September 1964 in Baird to parents Fred Mendez and Dominga Mendez. He grew up and lived in Baird most of his life. He was a son, brother, father, nephew, uncle, cousin and friend to many. His family and friends will always remember him as a fun spirited, loving person with a smile on his face and a tall tale for any occasion. He will be missed dearly but he will never be forgotten for he lives in all of our memories.

Freddy is survived by his father Fred of Baird; one daughter, Sarah Mathis and husband Anthony of Vernon; three grandchildren, LeKendrick Dockins, Keyana and Kamara Mathis; one sister, Freda Cerda and husband Pedro of Baird; two nieces, Kristy Underwood and husband Cy Cypher of Abilene and Shayne Cerda and Roy Baladez Jr. of Abilene; two great nieces, Kennedy Underwood and Vaylen Baldez; two great nephews, Kody Bryant and Kaden Underwood and many aunts, uncles and cousins.

He was preceded in death by his mother and two brothers, Andrew and Domingo.

Online condolences may be made at [HYPERLINK "http://www.baileyhowardfuneralhome.com"](http://www.baileyhowardfuneralhome.com)

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P.O. Box 1000 105 Oak Street Clyde, Texas 79510
Phone: 325.893.4255 Fax: 325.893.3254
www.baileyhowardfuneralhome.com

Eddie Louise Davis Joy

Baird—Eddie Louise Davis Joy, age 95, passed away Tuesday, January 13, 2015, in the Homestead Nursing Center in Baird, Texas. Services will be held at 10:30 AM Friday, January 16, 2015, in the First Baptist Church of Baird, Texas, with Pastor Jimmy Hatcher officiating. Interment will follow in Admiral Cemetery. Parker Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements. Visitation will take place from 5:30 until 7:00 PM Thursday evening at the funeral home in Baird.

Love Fund
A Love Fund has been opened for Rickey Thomas at Texas Heritage Bank for medical Expenses!

Love Fund
Has been established at Texas Heritage Bank For Owen Turner son of Joseph and Allison Turner and grandson of Greg and Danies Turner

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1st GRADE

Alivia Allison
Karsyn Benett-Phillips
LJ Eppard
Eva Farley
Trace Johnson
Brookelynn Lackey
Tyler Mackey
Delaine Massey
Aiden Mathews
Daniel Mauricio
Amanda Roberts
Toni Roberts
Blake Snell
Avery Switzer
Anthony Wheeler

1st GRADE

Addison Daliege
Cullen Ellis
Jaci McDaniel

2nd GRADE

Graydon Albrecht
Stryker Dillard
Katelyn Gregory
Rhianna Lee
Kade Purvis
Ryder Reed
Chase Rutland
Katie Sutton
Mattie Worley

2nd GRADE

Kadie Carouth
Ialla Cisneros
Elizabeth Haviland
Nathan Lee
Barrett Nickerson
Summer Rodgers-Black
Mackey Taff

3rd GRADE

Theron Albrecht
Addison Long
Abigail Mauricio
Alex Parker

3rd GRADE

Chloe Baker
Coltyn Barron
Jaeden Box
Reya Dean
Harmony Goble
Shyla Lewis
Bianka Montelongo
Able Wheeler
Brenda Willis
Dusty Wyatt

4th GRADE

Jake Bell
Sara Bien
Logan McDaniel
Abbigale Shepard
Jocelyn Smoot

4th GRADE

Livia Busby
Zane Fleming
Brennon Funderburk
Jacoby Gilliam
Katie Goains
Brennan Grissom
Teresta Hass-Barnett
Rowdy Hinds
Kalie Jennings
Hailey Mauricio
Kaylen McAdams
Hannah McKinney
David Mendieta, Jr.
Lupita Morales
Gus Nickerson
Gus Nickerson
Ryan Reed
Garrett Traweck

5th GRADE

Beau Baker
Callie Sutton
Addison Webb

5th GRADE

Spade Koenig
Kashlyn McClure-Hunter
Kiley Morgan
Autum Nickerson
Haylee Nickerson
Alaina Potter
Ashton Powell
Johnathan Wheeler

6th GRADE

Madilynn Shepard

6th GRADE

River Bradley
Lanye Ellis
Amber Fidler
Chelsea Gartman
Jordan Hampton
Sam Horan
Hayley Hughes
Kinlee Mathews
Kolby McKinney
Cody McWilliams
Roby Odom
Joseph Traweck
Abigail Wheeler

7th GRADE

Taylor Busby
Destinee Cooper
Alyssa Grissom
Kyler King
Chelsea Pason
Trent Tollett
Heather Yates

7th GRADE

Macee Steigleder
Lexie Thompson

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Ashley Anderson
Jacob Collier
Gage Connelly
Hanna Fortune
Mallory McCready
Brice Petree
Ky Stout
Jevon Tillery
Madison Wright-Fuller

8th GRADE

Jacy Bien
Hannah Crockett
Kenzie Kleiber
Brian Morales
Trenton Potter
Jackilann Shepard

9th GRADE

James McMillan
Kaiden Petree
Riley Potter
James Rhyme
Kelsi Sasser
Cheyenne Shields
Aaron Willis
Dakota Willis
Shanna Yates

9th GRADE

Joe Alexander
Eddie Calvagna
Joe Crockett
Strena Cunningham
Creed Goode
Katy Morgan
Kayla Stoudemire
Larson Walker

10th GRADE

Nain Martinez
Holden Senclair
Dreland Smith
Loralei Woodard
Kersey Wyatt

10th GRADE

Mackenzie Byrd
Hannah Cowan
Grace Goode

11th GRADE

Darrin Ames
Colton Bradley
Ashley Fulcher
Zachary Gartman
Dalson Gilliam
McKenzie Halsel
Billie Pointer
Inez Salazar
Chance Thompson
Shyler Tillery
Seth Wyatt

11th GRADE

Kelli Bennett
Rebekah Crockett
Teagan Fortune
Shelby McWilliams
Evelyn Morales
Phoenix Sanders
Tibor Vorbeck
Billy Woodard

12th GRADE

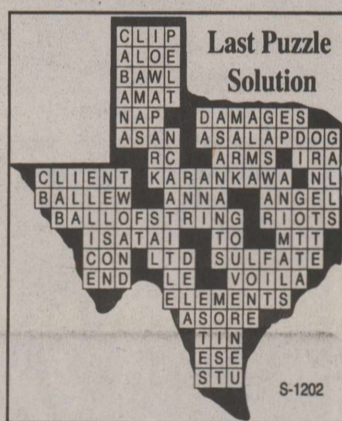
Bronc Dillard
Tucker Isbell
Morgan Manley
Kiefer Steinle
Jurnee Thomas

12th GRADE

Taryn Estes
Megan France
Kelbi Hyles
Brenna Kleiber
Kaitlyn Koettel
Stephen Saltus
Allanta Wheeler

Library
Offers
Children
Programs

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

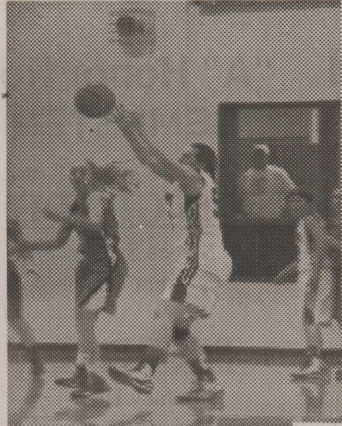


Cross Plains I.S.D. Weekly Menu January 19 - 23, 2015. Table with 5 columns (Monday-Friday) and 2 rows (Breakfast/Lunch).

BUBBA'S Smokehouse advertisement including phone number 254-270-0040, address 501 Ave A off South Hwy 36, and menu items like Family Sandwich Special and Meat Family Deal.

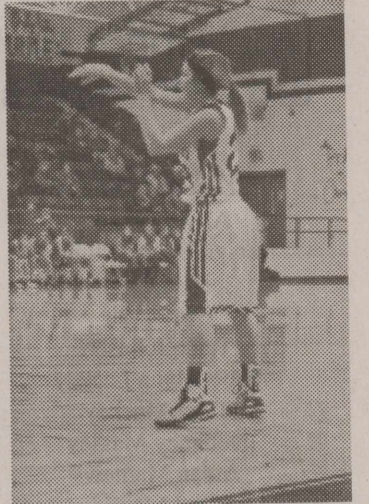
Taylor Electric Cooperative Inc and Texas Farm Bureau Insurance advertisement featuring Angela Jander, agent in Baird, TX, with phone number 325.854.1044.

January Birthdays list for January 19-24, including names like Robery Tonne, Laura Gann Atchley, and Mike McClure. Includes a 'Happy Birthday' graphic and a 'Cross Plains Review 3' box for Jan. 15, 2015.



Varsity -Jurnee Thomas

CROSS PLAINS BUFFALOES Basketball



Varsity Lady Buff

Varsity Buffs Turning Up The Heat Brings Home Win in Cross Plains/ May Game 49-29



Varsity -Taryn Estes



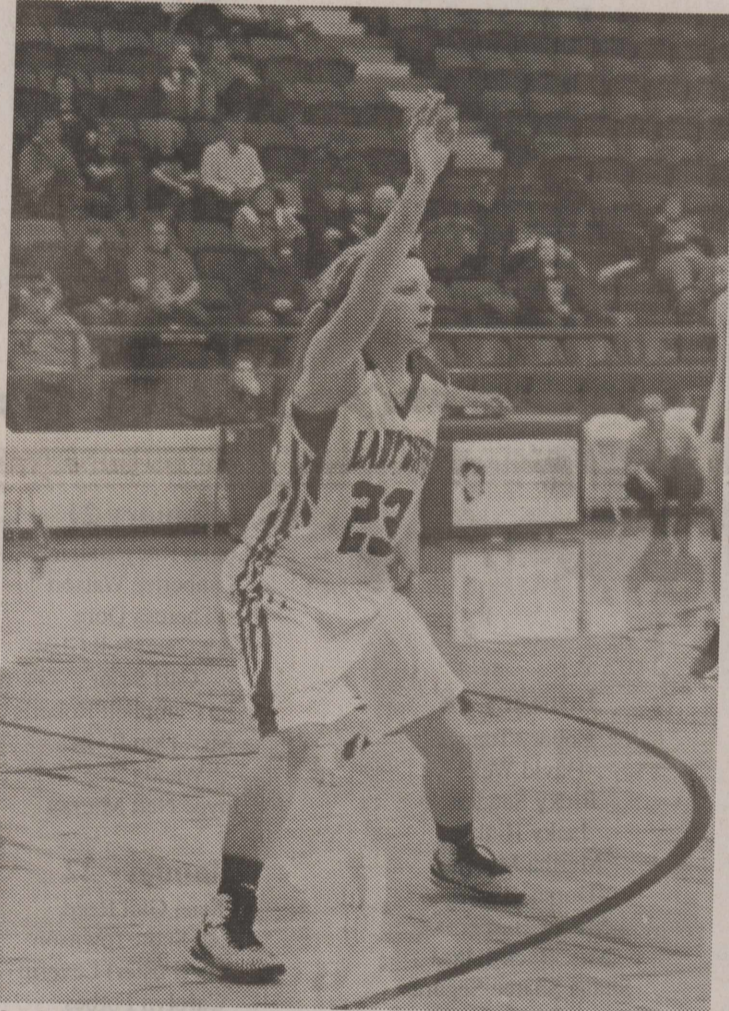
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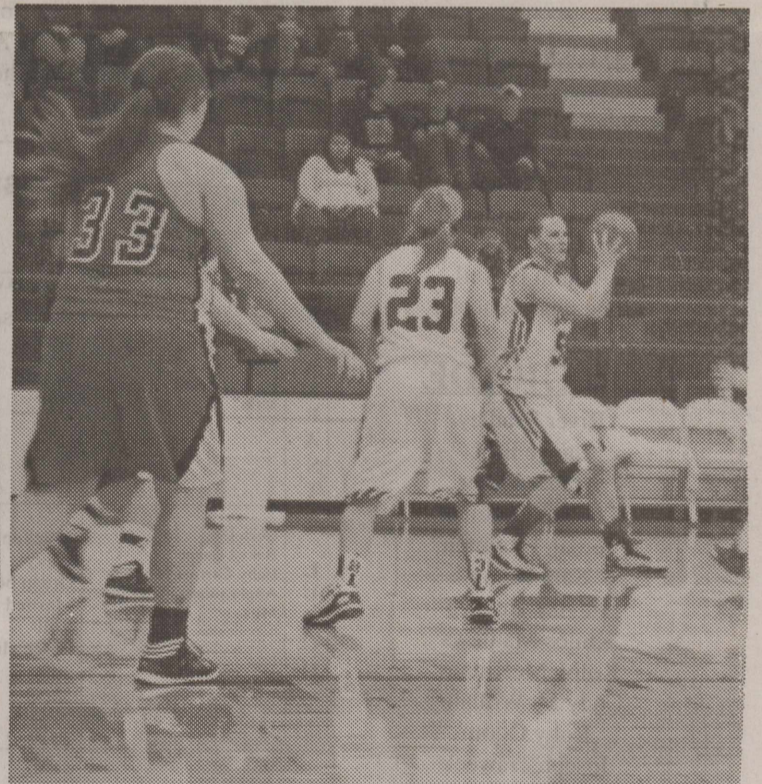
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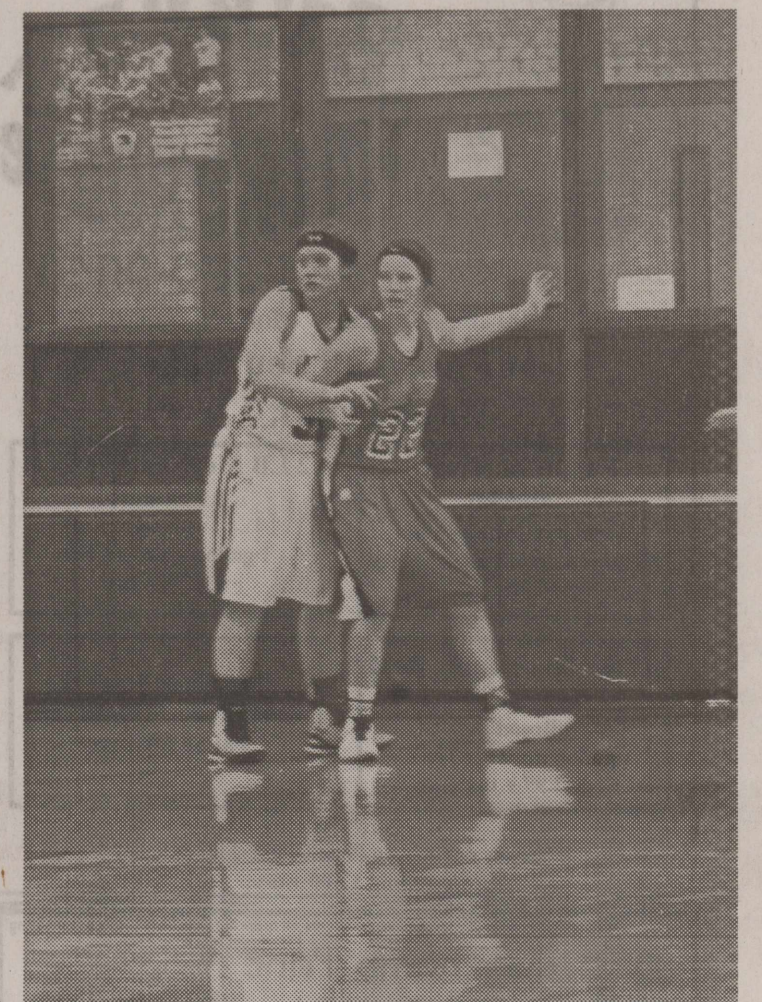
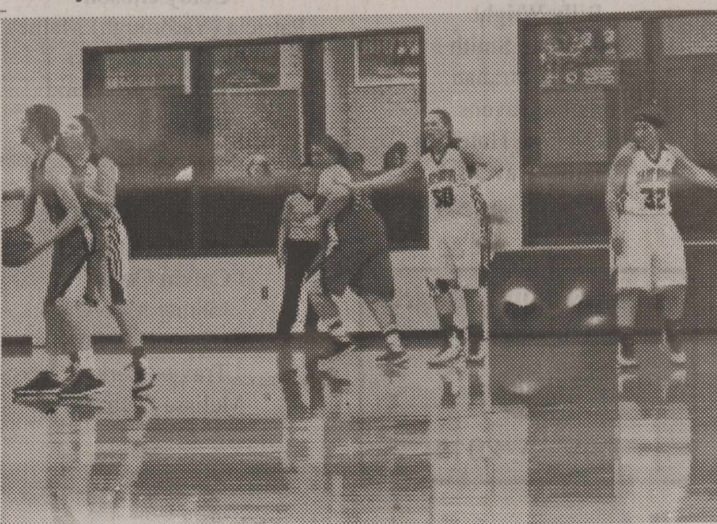
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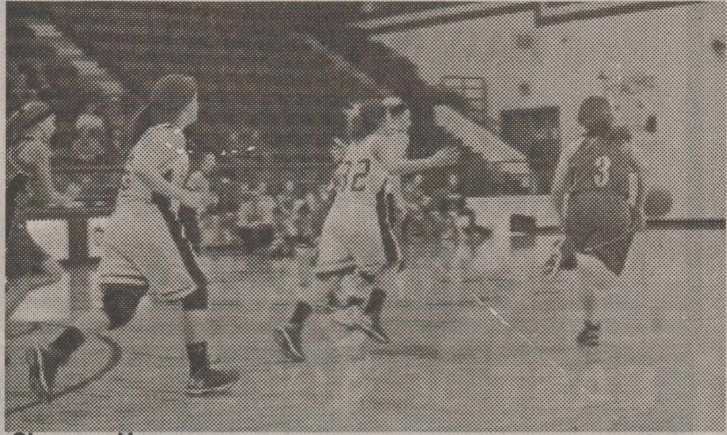
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CROSS PLAINS BUFFALOES

Basketball



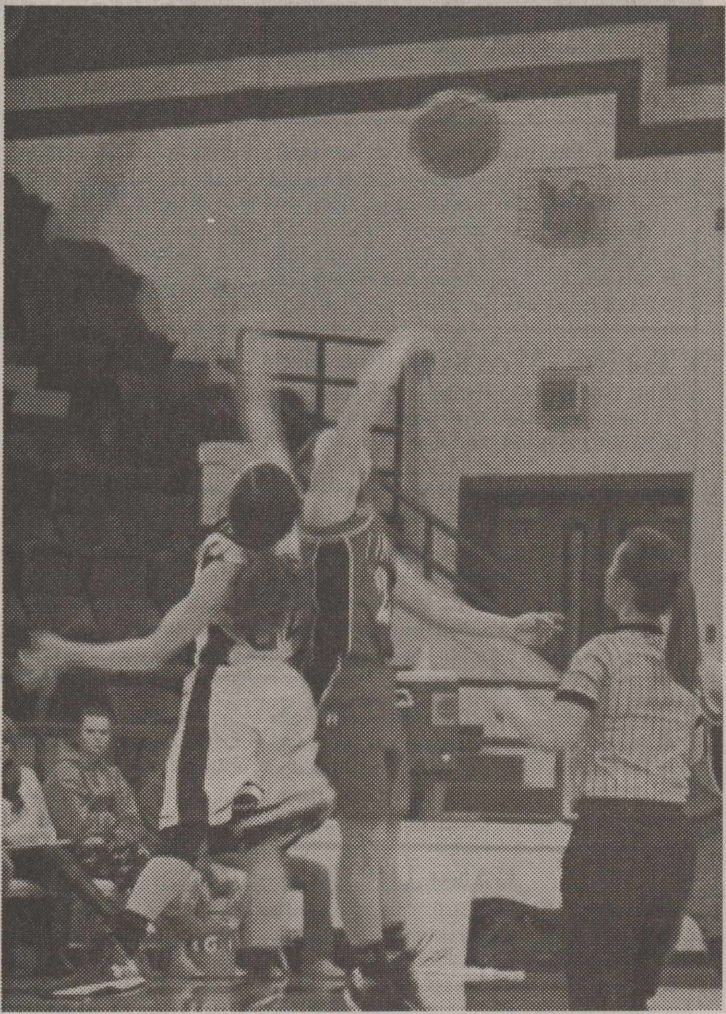
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Varsity Buffaloes Defeated 37-11

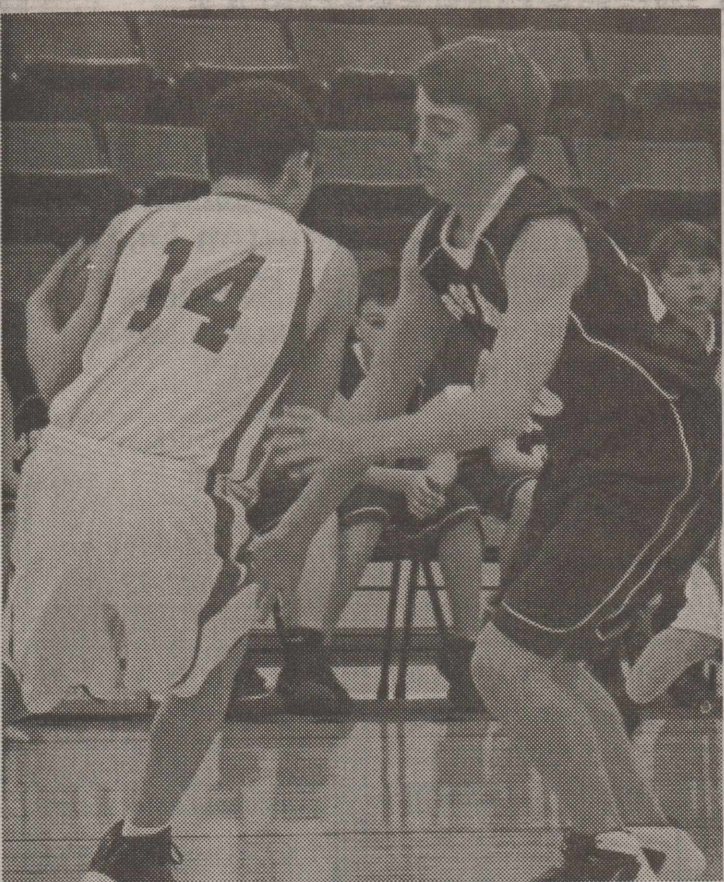


Hannah Fortune



Jacy Bien and Macee Steiegleger

JH Buffs Defeated 47-20



Trenton Potter



Jacy Bien, Macee Steiegleger, Hannah Crockett, Jackilann Shepard

JV Lady Buffs Defeated 55-29



JH Lady Buffs team on guard



Ethan Jones, Brice Petree

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JH Buffs Team

CPVFD Chili Supper



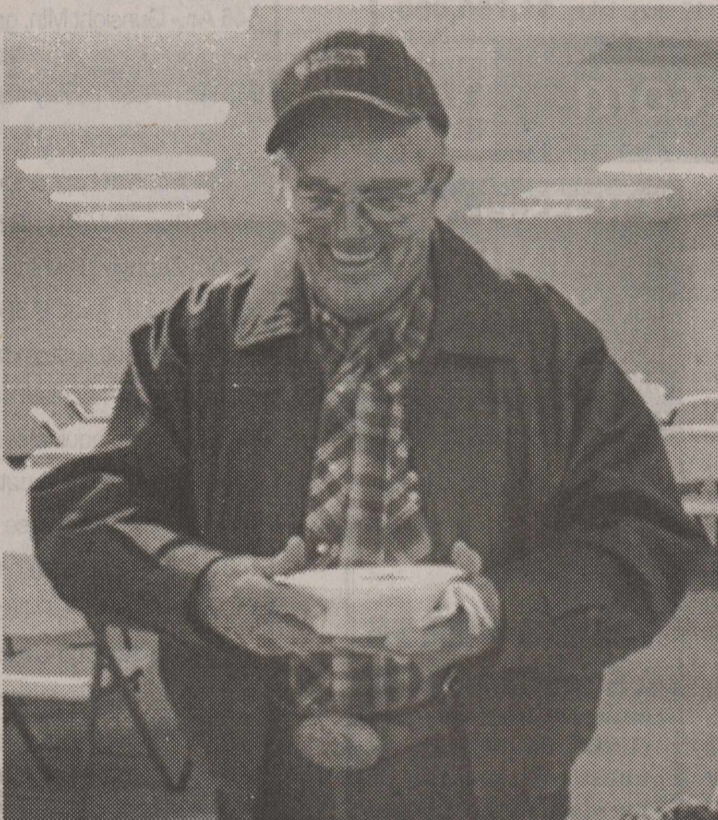
Rural Fire Chief Les Cowan and Fire Chief Rickey Carouth in the kitchen



Blake Foster and Netha Carouth stirring the chili at the CPVFD supper Friday night



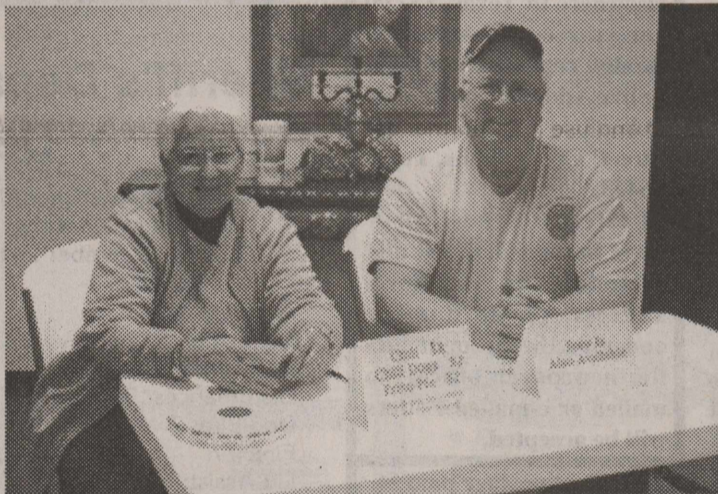
Sheriff Terry Joy visits with locals



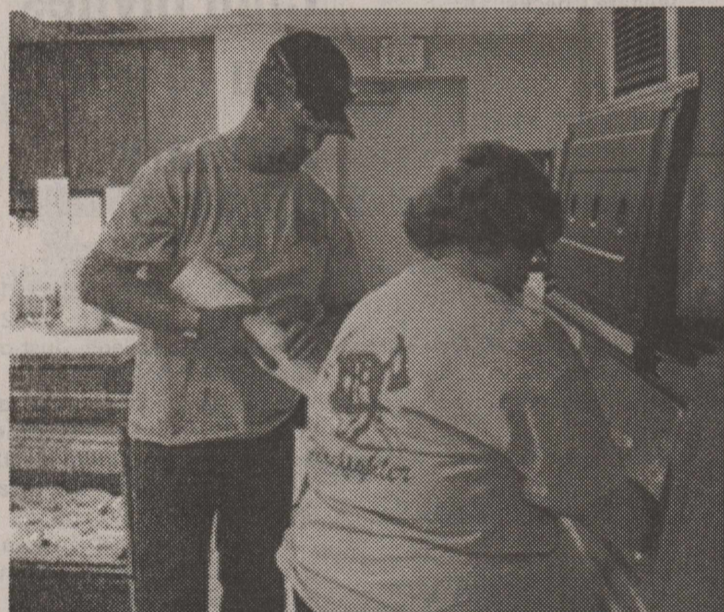
Bob Kirkham is first through the line Friday night



Kevin Morton and Roy Boyd visiting with a group from Cottonwood



Judy and Randy Foster working the door Friday night



Kyle Foster and Linda Reed with ice tea prep

Thank a School Board Member

January is School Board Recognition Month and Cross Plains I.S.D. is joining other districts across the state to thank these local leaders for their dedication and willingness to serve as advocates for our children and public schools.

Even though we are making a special effort in January to show appreciation to our board members, we realize their many contributions reflect a year-round commitment. They generously give of themselves to ensure that decisions directly affecting our local schools are made by representatives of this community, people who are close to our schools and know our teachers, parents, and students, said Phil Mitchell, Cross Plains Superintendent. As elected officials, they are the voice of their communities, serving first and foremost in the best interest of Texas schoolchildren.

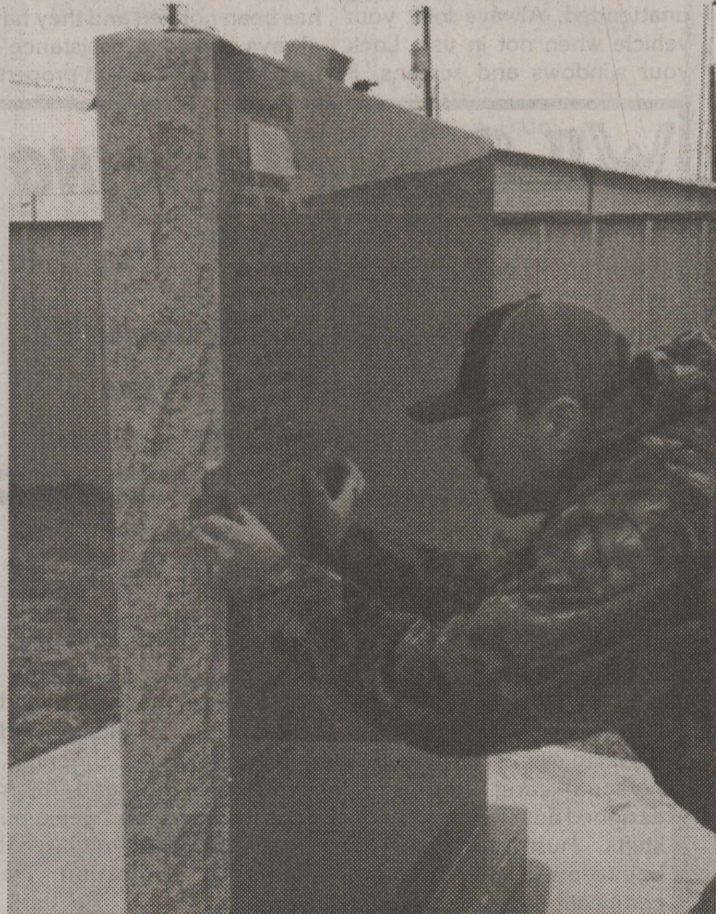
Board members serving Cross Plains I.S.D. are: Tommy Ames-President, Michael Cowan-Vice-President, Bryan Bennett-Secretary, Davy Crockett-Assistant Secretary, Roy Richey-Member, Jack Shepard-Member, and John McWilliams-Member.



One of the workers from Rock Solid Sandblasting of Brady, TX prepares the stone for the sandblasting of the names



Starting sandblasting the names in the stone



Lining up the names

Eight Names Added to Veteran's Memorial

The names of eight Cross Plains area veterans and current servicemen were added to the Veterans Memorial on Monday. Thanks to everyone who has donated for both the addition of names and for the upkeep of Veterans Memorial Park.

The Cross Plains Area Veterans Memorial was erected in 2006 and contains the names well over 3000 area servicemen and veterans from the Civil War to Iraq

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Senior Citizens Center Activities

Jan. 19th - Jan. 23th

- Monday-19th Exercise 11:00
- Tuesday-20th Exercise 10:45/ Bingo 11:15 Game Night 6:00
- Wednesday-21st Exercise 11:00/ Happy Birthday Day/Foot Care by Girling Home Health.
- Thursday-22nd 9:45 Read with the 3rd graders Exercise 11:00/ 1:30 Read with the 3rd graders
- Friday -23rd JW Fore 95th Birthday Party/LD Holcombe 88th Birthday Party at lunch. (Cottonwood VFD BBQ)

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

SENIOR CITIZENS MENU

Jan. 19th - Jan. 23th

- Monday 19th - Swiss Steak, Buttered Noodles, Carrots, Bread, Dessert.
- Tuesday 20th - BBQ Sausage, Pinto Beans, Mac & Cheese, Bread, Dessert
- Wednesday 21st - Fiesta Taco Salad, (meat/cheese/beans) Picante Sauce, Birthday cake
- Thursday 22nd- Chicken on a Bun, English Pea Salad, Chips and Dessert
- Friday 23rd - Baked Chicken, Cheese Potatoes, Turnip Greens, Bread, Dessert

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

Monthly Menu may be picked up at the Senior Citizen Center

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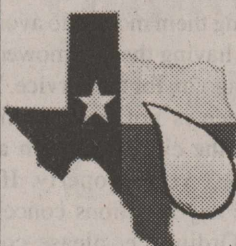
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NOTICE OF MEETING—BOARD OF TRUSTEES CROSS PLAINS INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

A Regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Cross Plains Independent School District will be held on January 14, 2015, beginning at 8:00 p.m. in the Board Room. The subjects to be discussed or considered upon which any formal action may be taken are as follows:

REGULAR MEETING January 14, 2015 (8:00 p.m.)

CALL MEETING TO ORDER

- Open Forum
- New Business
 - Approve Minutes from Previous Meeting
 - Review Bills/Finance Report
 - Approve Update 101 as Recommended by TASB
- Personnel
 - Perform Superintendent's Appraisal
- Superintendent's Report
 - Elem. Principal and Athletic Director's Contract in March?
 - Teachers Contracts in April?
 - HS Principal Contract in May or June?
 - Board Policy Training – Wed., Feb. 4 at 8:00 p.m.
 - Feb. Board Meeting – Wednesday, the 18th
 - Current Enrollment
 - Goals for 2015-16 and Beyond
 - Superintendent Appraisal Policies
- Adjourn

If, during the course of the meeting, any discussion of any item on the agenda should be held in a closed meeting, the Board will convene in such closed meeting in accordance with the Open Meetings Act, Chapter 551, Government Code. Before any such meeting is convened, the presiding officer will publicly identify the section or sections of the Act authorizing the closed meeting. All final votes, actions, or decisions will be taken in open meeting.

This notice was posted in compliance with the Open Meetings Act on January 9, 2014, at 3:00 p.m.

CEU Forage Seminar in Cross Plains January 27th

A special 5-hour CEU Forage Seminar is set for January 27th at the First Baptist Church in Cross Plains. Registration starts at 8:00 a.m. The program begins at 9:00 a.m. The goal of this program is to provide producers with information on forage management strategies to help them produce uniform, high quality forage to meet their production goals. 5.5 CEU's will be given: 1 - Laws and Regulations, 1 - IPM, 1.5 - Drift minimization, and 2 - General. Speakers for the Seminar will include: Dr. Morgan Russell, Extension Range Specialist, San Angelo, Ralph Porter, Senior Sales Rep. Dow Agro, Abilene, Dr. Charles Allen, Professor & Extension Entomologist, San

Angelo, Robert Frost & Sammy Wilson, NRCS & FSA, Baird, Bill Thompson, Extension Economist, San Angelo, Scott Anderson, CEA Brown County, Jerry Warren, CEA Callahan County. Dr. Russell will discuss "Pasture Management-prescribed burns vs. chemical control of brush & Prickly Pear", Ralph Porter will discuss "Herbicide Impregnated Fertilizers use on Pastures", Dr. Allen will discuss "Livestock Pest Management", Robert Frost & Sammy Wilson will discuss "FSA & NRCS Program Updates", Bill Thompson will discuss "Farm Bill Decisions", Scott Anderson will discuss Laws and Regulation for pesticide applicators, and Jerry

warren will discuss "Drift Minimization and Calibration". The cost of the Seminar and accompanying meal is \$20 to those that pre-register by January 20th, after January 20th there will be a \$25.00 fee to be paid at the door. This program is presented by the AgriLife Extension offices in Brown, Callahan, Coleman, and Eastland Counties. For further information, contact the Callahan County Extension Office at (325) 854-5835.

Sincerely,
Jerry Warren, CEA AG/NR
Texas AgriLife
Extension Service
Callahan County

County Commissioners awarded bids for Sherriff's Department surplus equipment

The Callahan County Commissioners' Court awarded several bids to sell surplus items sold by the Sheriff's Department during the commissioners' court meeting held Monday, January 12th at the Callahan County Courthouse in Baird.

Sealed bids were opened and considered on the following equipment being sold by the Sheriff's Department: 1 Blue ATV, 1 Red ATV, 1 Green ATV, 16 foot homemade trailer, tow trailer, 1994 Ford pickup and an ambulance. The bids were as follows:

Blue ATV
\$400.00 Todd Rodriguez
\$376.00 Terry Hunter
\$277.00 Doug Johnston
\$201.00 Dean Bowen
\$659.00 Kenneth Kendrick
\$201.00 Rickey Cowley

Green ATV
\$361.00 Terry Hunter
\$501.00 Dean Bowen
\$377.00 Doug Johnston
\$1,113.00 Kenneth Kendrick
\$201.00 Rickey Cowley

Red ATV
\$600.00 Todd Rodriguez
\$426.00 Terry Hunter
\$501.00 Dean Bowen
\$502.00 Randall Witte
\$677.00 Doug Johnston
\$879.00 Kenneth Kendrick
\$201.00 Rickey Cowley

\$620.00 for all 3 ATV's K.D. Griffin

1994 Ford Pickup
\$265.00 K.D. Griffin
\$250.00 Terry Hunter
\$201.00 Dean Bowen

\$365.00 Cliff Kirkham
Tow Trailer
\$155.00 K.D. Griffin
\$251.00 Terry Hunter
\$151.00 Dean Bowen
\$177.00 Doug Johnston

16' Homemade Trailer
\$385.00 Erwin Clark
\$265.00 K.D. Griffin
\$600.00 Terry Hunter
\$255.00 Rickey Cowley
\$251.00 Dean Bowen
\$350.00 Cliff Kirkham, Precinct #4
\$457.00 Shannon O'Shields
\$377.00 Doug Johnston

No bids were made on the Ambulance.

After review of the bids by the commissioners' court and the Sheriff's Office, Commissioner Bryan Farmer made a motion to accept the following bids:
Blue ATV-\$659.00 by Kenneth Kendrick
Red ATV-\$879.00 by Kenneth Kendrick
Green ATV-\$1,113.00 by Kenneth Kendrick
16' Homemade Trailer-\$600.00 by Terry Hunter
Tow Trailer-\$251.00 by Terry Hunter
1994 Ford Pickup-\$365.00 by Cliff Kirkham
Commissioner Tom Windham seconded the motion, with carried with a 5-0 vote.
Other agenda items brought before the commissioners' court included:
—The meeting of the commissioners' court was called to or-

Callahan County Businesses reminded to render taxable property by April 15th

If you own tangible personal property that is used to produce income, you must file a rendition with the Callahan County Appraisal District by April 15th, 2015.

A rendition is a report that lists all the taxable property a person owned or controlled on Jan. 1st of this year. Property includes inventory and equipment used by a business. Owners do not have to render exempt property, such as church property or agriculture producer's equipment used for farming, unless specifically requested from the Chief Appraiser.

The Appraisal District may use the information submitted in the rendition to set property values as well as field inspections of businesses. You can also file a report of decreased value to notify the district of significant depreciation of your property. For example, if your property was damaged by a storm, flood or fire last year, you should file a

report of decreased value. The district will look at your property before assigning a value in 2015.

The last day to file a rendition or report of decreased value is April 15, 2015. If a rendition is filed late or incomplete or not at all a 10 percent penalty will be imposed, if a fraudulent rendition is filed, a 50 percent penalty is mandated. Property owners who need more time to file their renditions may file a written request for an extension with the chief appraiser on or before April 15, 2015 to receive an automatic extension to May 15 or the next business day if it falls on a holiday or weekend.

For more information about rendering property, deadline extensions, penalties and rendition forms, taxpayers may contact business personal property appraiser Susan Childers at the Callahan County Appraisal District. 132 W. 4th St., Baird, TX or by phone at 325/854-5865.

Grand Ole Oplin January Line-up

The Grand Ole Oplin hopes everyone survived the Holidays and all the nasty weather. Now it's time for an evening of dancing and enjoying both family and friends. Come out on Jan. 16th MIDNIGHT BLUE returns playing all your favorite country tunes, on Jan. 23rd MUDDY CREEK will be here playing all your favorite two-steps and waltzes, on Jan. 30th MUDDY CREEK will be returning playing some more of your favorite two-steps and waltzes.

The Grand Ole Oplin is hosted by The Oplin Community Center and is located at the intersection of F.M. 604 S. and F.M. 2926. Admission to our Friday night dances is only \$5.00 per person. Our dances begin at 7:30 p.m. and end at 10:30 p.m. Alcohol and smoking are not allowed at any of our functions. Everyone is invited to bring a snack to be enjoyed by all during the band's break.

So gather the family and call all of your friends and come out to The Grand Ole Oplin for an evening of good music and a real good time.

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Thank you from The Market at Clyde

The vendors from The Market at Clyde in the Old Firehouse would like to thank all of those that came out in the freezing weather on Saturday, Jan 10th to support the Market as well as to make food donations to the Heart to Heart Ministry.

Even with the very cold weather there was a good turn out and the donations were

good. Every person that brought a food donation was entered into a drawing for a gift basket that contained items donated by the vendors. Twaylia Waldon was the winner of the basket.

The next Market at Clyde will be held on Valentines Day, Saturday, February 14th from 10:00am-4:00pm.

Courthouse News

Callahan County Court
Roger Corn, presiding

42nd District Court
John Weeks, presiding

Misdemeanor Filings

David Sims, interference with public duties.

Tommy L. Foster, assault causing bodily injury, family violence.

Billy R. Hall, theft by check.

Jamie L. Wallace, theft by check.

Jason L. Sparks, driving while intoxicated (DWI).

Richard B. Long, assault causing bodily injury, family violence.

Civil Filings

Marcell Anthony Wallace and Tina Tabitha Barnes, divorce.

Yahdah Yliyah Kahan Badayah Hawkins and Shoahannah Gayah Badayah Hawkins, divorce.

Civil Minutes

Shannadon Patricia Black and Kenneth Orlando Soto, divorce granted.

Misdemeanor Minutes

Connie Fine, motion to dismiss to DWI granted for completion of PTD Program.

Breanna M. Mayfield, motion to dismiss to theft granted for completion of pre-trial diversion program.

Patrick B. Constanzo, motion to revoke probation and adjudicate granted.

Andrew P. Torres, order amending conditions of probation granted.

Joseph R. Samford, motion to dismiss to DWI granted, insufficient evidence.

Marriage Licenses

Shane Peter Ivanoski and Kassie Barbara Ivanoski, both of Clyde.

Criminal Indictments

Eduardo A. Ibarra, DWI, 3rd or more.

Criminal Minutes

Stacey G. Watson, plea of guilty to possession of a controlled substance, 4 year probation, \$500 fine, \$359 court costs.

Andrea M. Coolman, plea of guilty to possession of a controlled substance, 3 year probation \$1000 fine, \$359 court costs, \$140 restitution.

Dakota S. Flock, plea of guilty to burglary of a habitation, 7 year probation, \$500 fine, \$299 court costs.

Kimberly R. Roberts, judgment revoking probation granted.

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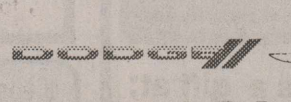
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Cottonwood News by Beverly Brown

Cold weather continued again for a few days this week with warmer weather coming toward the weekend.

The West Texas Rehabilitation Center's 2015 Auction continues through Saturday night, January 17th. This year's quilt, handmade and donated by the Cottonwood Quilting Club, is a Cottonwood Log Cabin quilt in shades of orange, beige, blue and brown. The size is 85x87 to fit a double bed. You can bid on line at rehabauction.org. Just search on "Cottonwood" and you'll see the listing for the quilt - item 944.

David Weaver of Corpus Christi was here visiting his mother, Mary Ella Weaver.

Joe, Deana and Kathleen Terstege and Roger Hinkle all helped out at the CPVFD Chili Supper last Friday night. Some of the other Cottonwood folks spotted at the dinner: Denise and Tim Coulter, Wesley and Vicki Larimore, Roy Boyd, Jim and Lou Rosson, Adrian and Sheila Allen, Judy Luter, and Russ and Diana Miller.

Cottonwood Volunteer Fire Control's Annual Meeting will be held the third Tuesday in

January (January 20th) at the Cottonwood Community Center at 7 p.m. Board members for the new year will be elected.

The next musical is coming up on Friday, January 23. Cottonwood Volunteer Fire Control will hold their Annual Fish Fry the night of the musical. Enjoy a fish dinner and then listen to some good ole country music! Dinner includes fish or chicken, beans, coleslaw, french fries, hush puppies, drink, and dessert for \$7 for adults and \$3.50 for children under 10 years of age. Proceeds from the dinner will benefit both the Cottonwood Historical Association as well as the Cottonwood Volunteer Fire Control. Dinner will be served from 5 until 7 p.m.

The Burn Ban is off. Remember to exercise extreme caution if you do decide to burn - and call the Sheriff's office to let them know you will be burning before you light the match. Their number: 325-854-1444.

Writing Contest

The Cross Plains Public Library is looking for entries for our annual writing contest which is open to all students attending or eligible to attend the Cross Plains Schools. Poetry, essay and short story are allowed. Entries will be accepted from grades K through 12. Home-schooled students may come by the library to pick up a set of guidelines and an entry form. CPISD students should ask their teachers about entering through the school, or they may enter at the library. Only one entry per student will be accepted.

Entries are to be submitted to the library no later than Wednesday January 21, 2015. Entries will be "blind judged," and ribbons will be awarded to the top three entries in each grade. Plaques will be awarded to the top three overall winners from all grades. The three overall winning papers will be submitted to the Cross Plains Review for publication. For more information call the library at 725-7722.

Health Tidbit: Flu

Flu season! We are right in the middle of it. Every year, flu season comes around. It generally runs from October to March, but has been known to come earlier and stay later. The flu is a virus that has no known cure, but can be vaccinated against. The vaccine that is given is a combination vaccine against 3, or sometimes 4 strands of the flu. It will take your body 2 weeks after the vaccine to produce enough antibodies to help prevent the flu. You cannot get the flu from the flu vaccine. If you have been exposed before your body has produced enough antibodies, it is possible to still get the flu. The vaccine is not 100%, but if you do get the flu, the vaccine helps reduce the severity of it. The flu vaccine is offered in a variety of places and should be gotten every year, as early in the fall as possible. Flu is spread primarily through droplets from an infected

person, but can live on a surface for up to 8 hours. There are a few ways to help prevent the spread of the flu:

- Get vaccinated
- Try to avoid close contact with sick people.
- Cover your nose and mouth when you cough and sneeze.
- Wash hands with soap and water or alcohol hand sanitizer.
- Avoid touching your eyes, nose, and mouth.
- Keep hand sanitizer in your car. Make it a habit to use it as soon as you get in the car when you leave a store, especially if you have used the shopping cart.

Some signs of the flu are:

- Fever
- Cough
- Sore throat
- Runny or stuffy nose
- Body aches
- Chills
- Headache
- Fatigue
- Sometimes vomiting and

diarrhea

• Not everyone with the flu will run fever.

The flu can be treated at home and does not always require a trip to the doctor. If you think you have the flu and are only a little sick: Stay home and away from other people as much as possible. Do not return to work or school until you have been fever free for 24 hours.

When to call the doctor:

- If you have flu symptoms and are very sick and worried.
- If you are part of the high risk group which includes young children, people 65 and older, pregnant women, and people with certain medical conditions I.E. (Asthma, Heart disease, Blood disorders, Kidney disorders, Liver disorders, Neurological and Neurodevelopmental, and Endocrine disorders).

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Sandhill Crane

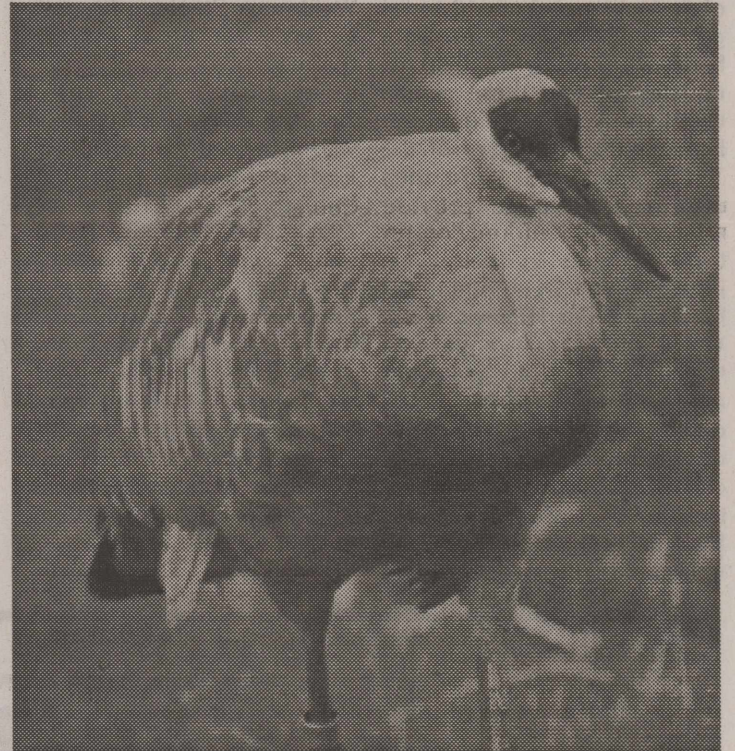
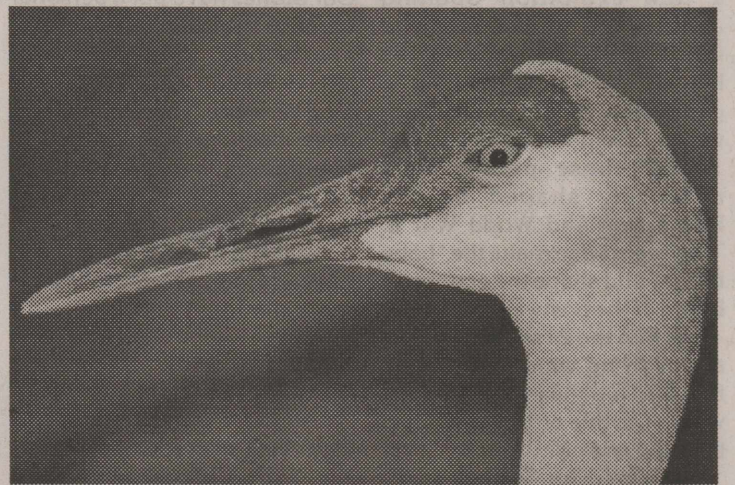
To the budding Texas naturalist, it would seem as though the winter months do not afford ample opportunities to view wildlife due to seasonal inactivity. However, this is really not the case, especially when the goal is to view wildlife that occupies this area for the few brief weeks of what we call winter. One of these wildlife viewings is the spectacular Sandhill Crane (*Grus canadensis*).

Although the primary range of the Sandhill Crane is in the northern portions of this continent during the summer months (where the species nomenclature *canadensis* comes from), when the seasons there begin to change to the brutally cold winter, it makes its home in the temperate climates of the southern continental United States, including the western 2/3rds of Texas. As it makes its migratory journey to and from its winter home, it flies communally, rarely if ever venturing far on its own. Oftentimes, they will fly in a V formation, although occasionally they will fly in a straight line formation. Regardless of the formation they fly in, they will often be heard before they are seen, as they have a tendency to sound off in a nasally trumpet-like song that can be heard from as far off as a mile away.

This species of crane is a large bird that can achieve body lengths of up to 4 feet and wingspans that can approach a whopping 6 1/2 feet. At first sight it seems to have an almost gangly appearance. This stately look is due to the long legs and neck, as well as the large, straight bill. This almost comical look is exaggerated when this animal takes flight as it takes several steps with its long legs as it gains enough momentum to take to the air. In flight, the downstroke of the wings is very slow and methodical, while the upstroke is rapid and jerky. Distinguishing characteristics of this bird as an adult include the bright red crown of the head, white chin and cheeks, light gray body and wings, and the aforementioned long neck and legs.

Sandhill Cranes are omnivorous, meaning that its diet consists of plants as well as animals such as fish, frogs, crustaceans, and insects. It utilizes its long legs to walk great distances through the shallow water of marshes and playa lakes to search for food. It also roosts communally in these areas, typically standing upright through the night.

While on its winter retreat, the males, which are larger than the females, will attempt to court its prospective mate by a noisy and conspicuous dance that consists of leaping up to 8 feet into the air while calling loudly and beating its wings. If the female is interested in mating, then she will join in with the male in this dancing display. After such breeding, the pair remains monogamous and mates for life, and then both return to their summer homes. Upon arrival, both sexes will prepare the nest for the two eggs, which are incubated by both parents for approximately 30 days. The young



Sandhill Crane
(*Grus canadensis*)

will take their first flight at about 2 months of age.

As with many large birds, it was wantonly killed during the earlier parts of the last century. However, habitat loss due to agricultural use has been the largest conservational concern to scientists, but its numbers seem to be stable and even increasing. It can be quite com-

mon in areas of the Panhandle, with large groups congregating in playa lakes south of Lubbock, as well as in portions of the northern Edwards Plateau, with other communal sites occurring near the town of Robert Lee.

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

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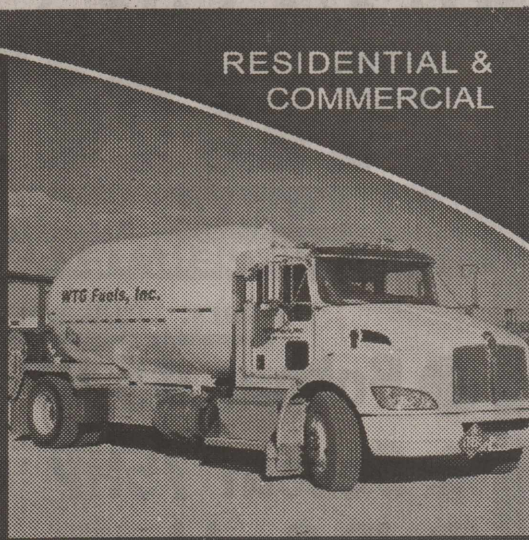
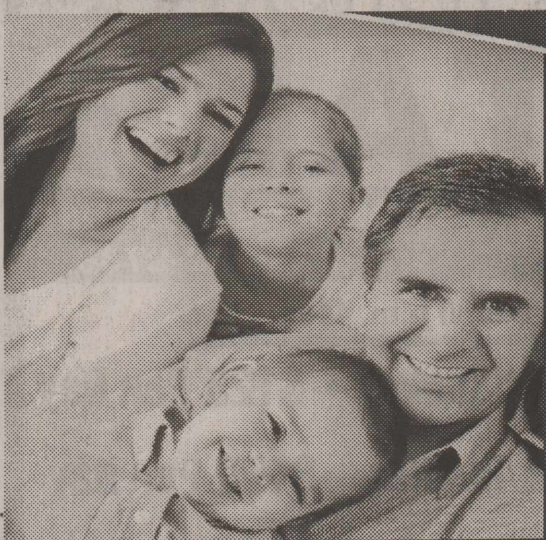
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Heritage Baptist Church singing is Sunday, Jan. 25th

Psalm 69:30
I will praise the name of God with song, And will magnify Him with thanksgiving.

We at Heritage Baptist Church invite you to come lift your voices, bring your talent & gift to Glorify God.

Time: 6:00 p.m.
Address: 101 Pine Street
Clyde, Texas
Date: Sunday, January 25, 2015

There will be fellowship and refreshments following.

Cross Plains Review

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Jan. 15, 2015

Our Lives, Our Stories: America's Greatest Generation set to open January 28th at Eastland County Museum

Who speaks for the experiences of a generation and their impact on the world around them? What experiences help to create a sense of shared identity?

Our Lives, Our Stories: America's Greatest Generation, a new exhibition opening January 28 at the Eastland County Museum, explores the life arc of the World War II generation-as told in their own words. Born in the 1910s and 1920s, these people were decisively shaped by the Depression and World War II. They went on to make the "baby boom" and shape the economic boom of the postwar era. Today - well into the 21st century - we are all living with their legacy. But who are these people upon whom the title of "greatest" has been bestowed?

Our Lives, Our Stories, draws on memories and oral histories gathered by the Minnesota Historical Society to help us understand who these people really were. The exhibition begins with the babies of the 1910s and 1920s, and then explores the human impact of events that marked major turning points in their lives, including the Depression, the bombing of Pearl Harbor, World War II, the rising awareness of Civil Rights, and the growth of media-driven consumer culture during the post-war boom. While this generation's identity is clearly linked to World War II, the focus of Our Lives, Our Stories seeks to restore wholeness to our understanding

of them by allowing people to tell their stories along the larger arc of their lives. In the process, their diversity of memories reveals a complex mix of real people who truly helped shape the world we live in today.

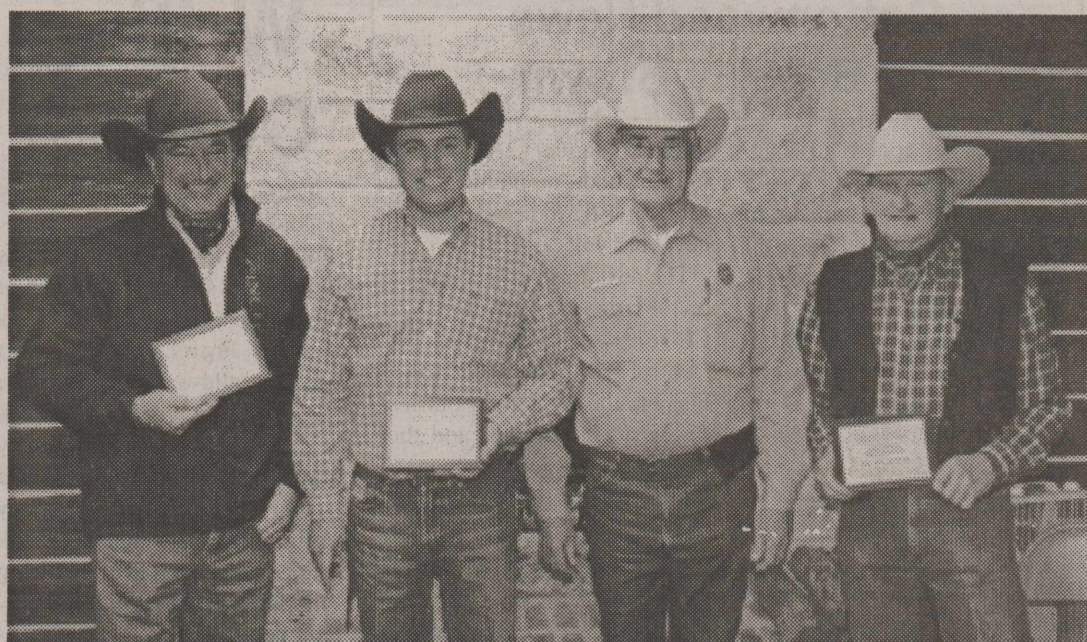
Local organizers of Our Lives, Our Stories have put a personal touch to the national exhibit by conducting their own oral interviews on video of local and area veterans. These interviews have been combined into a special documentary, Answering the Call, with a special viewing to be held at 1 p.m. at the Majestic Theatre in Eastland immediately following the opening ceremony and reception for the Our Lives, Our Stories exhibit Saturday, February 7 at 10:00 a.m. at the Eastland County Museum, featuring guest speaker Retired Air Force Colonel Kenny Weldon, a Stephenville native currently serving as mayor of that city.

Our Lives, Our Stories: America's Greatest Generation will run through March 16, 2015. Exhibit hours are Tuesday through Saturday 10 a.m. until 4 p.m. and Thursdays 10 a.m. until 7 p.m., and private tour groups can arrange appointments by calling the Cross Timbers Fine Arts Council at 254-965-6190. The Museum is located at 114 South Seaman St., on the square in Eastland, Texas. Curriculum is also available for educators who would like to teach the subject to their classes.

Our Lives, Our Stories:

America's Greatest Generation has been made possible by NEH on the Road, a special initiative of the National Endowment for the Humanities. Local funding and support has been provided by the City of Eastland, First Financial Bank, Texas Bank, Texas Commission on the Arts, Comanche Electric Cooperative Association, Mary & Tommy Warford, Alphagraphics, KATX/KWBY Radio, Cross Timbers Fine Arts Council, TXOL Internet, and the Eastland County Museum.

Originally developed by the Minnesota Historical Society in Saint Paul, Minnesota, the exhibition was adapted and is toured by Mid-America Arts Alliance through NEH on the Road. NEH on the Road offers an exciting opportunity for communities of all sizes to experience some of the best exhibitions funded by the National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH). Mid-America Arts Alliance was founded in 1972 and is the oldest regional nonprofit arts organization in the United States. For more information visit HYPERLINK "http://www.maaa.org" www.maaa.org or HYPERLINK "http://www.nehontheroad.org" www.nehontheroad.org. Check us out at HYPERLINK "http://www.olos.info" www.olos.info or Facebook at Our Lives, Our Stories: America's Greatest Generation.



OUTGOING OFFICERS RECEIVE LIFETIME MEMBERSHIPS FOR THEIR 3 YEARS OF VALUABLE SERVICE PRESENTED BY CALLAHAN COUNTY SHERIFF TERRY JOY (L-R)—Secretary/Treasurer David Ratliff, President Seth Goldsmith, Sheriff Joy, 1st Vice President Dr. Rob Harle, not pictured 2nd Vice President Jeff Burleson.



Grilling ribeye steaks outdoors at arena.



Enjoying steaks, beans, potato salad, cobbler & drinks indoors at clubhouse.

Callahan County Sheriff's Posse Annual Membership Meeting

The Callahan County Sheriff's Posse is a Texas nonprofit corporation that owns and maintains the historic county rodeo arena and grounds at Mays, Davincil, TXOL Sparks.

The outgoing Officers, President Seth Goldsmith, 1st Vice President Dr. Rob Harle, 2nd Vice President Jeff Burleson and Secretary/Treasurer David Ratliff, received Lifetime Memberships for their 3 years of service, leadership, vision and contributions in rescuing and restoring the historic Callahan County Sheriff's Posse organization, rodeo arena and grounds.

2015 plans include the annual ranch rodeo with parade and dance, youth horse shows,

Brad Johnson, Secretary/Treasurer Christy King and Directors Seth Goldsmith, Dr. Rob Harle, Teri Hollis, David Mays, David Ratliff & Billy Sparks.

barrel races, sortings, penning, ropings and other outdoor events.

All interested in supporting this ongoing county historical preservation project for community enjoyment and benefit are invited to join. Annual memberships are individual \$25, family \$35, business with 5 or more employees \$125 and lifetime \$500. Sponsors may purchase an advertising banner to be displayed at all events for 5 years for \$1,500. Other donations as well as work volunteers are always welcome. Please contact Secretary/Treasurer Christ King (669-0363) or any other Board member.

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1 illegal block by a Cowboy
5 Valley plant
6 TXism for "cry"
7 "welcome" sight at front door (2 wds.)
8 TXism: "siesta"
9 civil law recovery
16 TXism: "frisky" — unsaddled horse
18 TXism: "tame"

53 TXism: "the tail"
54 TX A.J. Foyt won at Mans, France in 1967
55 ta daaa!
56 rain, sleet, etc.
59 TXism: "sticks out like thumb"
60 TXism: "___horn" (amateur)
61 dir. to Dublin from Abilene

21 former A&M coach Slocum
22 TXism: "he has short ___ and deep pockets" (frugal)
23 TX Willie Nelson's father
24 with "The," TX Tommy Lee film
30 fierce Indians of early Texas
34 former league for the Astros (abbr.)
35 this TX Smith was an early singing cowboy in film
36 Santa ___ TX
37 TX Charley Pride's "Kiss An ___ Good Morning"
39 "mouse wrangler's" play thing (3 wds.)
43 mob disturbances
44 Quannah Parker's medicine man
45 TXism: "got half a mind ___"
46 "Star Wars" troop transport (abbr.)
47 chili ___ carne
48 Ford model '65-'86
50 mineral of TX High Plains: sodium

1 beach bathhouse
2 camel-like animals raised in TX
3 in Wichita Co.
4 critter fur
9 elected county prosecutor (abbr.)
10 TXism: "short ___ eyebrow"
11 TXism: "toe the ___"
12 Yale is TX Bush's ___ mater
13 when fuel stations drop prices to lure customers (2 wds.)
14 this "King" got military training at Fort Hood in TX (init.)

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