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Firefighters Walking to Honor Cancer Patients & Survivors

At this year's Cancer Walk on Saturday, October 10, Cross Plains Volunteer Fire Department Firefighters will be walking to honor Cancer Patients and Survivors.

The first four firefighters around the track - Fire Chief Rickey Carouth and firemen J. D. Huddleston, Josh Loftis and Byron McNutt - will be walking in full gear. The bunker gear with air packs weights about 65 lbs. These firefighters are going to see how many trips they can make around the track in full gear.

You can pledge \$1, \$5, \$10 or any amount you'd like for one or all of the firefighters for each trip they make around the track in full gear. Just pick up the pledge form at the CPVFD booth at the Cancer Walk.

Proceeds from your pledges will go to the Cross Plains Community Cancer Fund.

FUMC providing maps for Oct. garage sale

First United Methodist Church will again be participating in the Oct. 3 city-wide garage sale in a big way as church members combine their 'stuff' to make the biggest sale site of the day. Members living out in the country can also take advantage of being able to participate in this event, thus adding many tables of miscellaneous items in the Fellowship Hall of the church.

Advance items showing up include golf clubs, ball bats, a batting tee, other assorted toys, lots of kitchen gadgets, some men's clothes straight from the cleaners, a few electronic items, antique dishes...sounds like something for everybody!

The Chamber of Commerce has taken over the sponsorship of the big annual event from the Sorority this year and thus, the headquarters of the sale will not be at the Howard Pavilion. Maps that show addresses of all the participating sales may be picked up at FUMC.

The Church will be open at 8:00 a.m. on Sat., Oct. 3 with lots

of good, used items. Shoppers are encouraged to stop there first to pick up their maps and shop for the best items and return later as prices will drop throughout the day.

One of the side benefits of this event is that the Goodwill Truck will be parked at the Church and people may take any leftovers to the truck; making this truly a win-win day as the Goodwill Industry provides lots of jobs for special people.

Got Manners?

"Please" and "Thank You" Sound so nice
Manners are important
Be Polite!

Come join the After School Adventure Program and learn from our own 'Miss Manners', Connie Kirkham.

We will be meeting on Wednesday, October 7th from 4-5 p.m. She will be giving a demonstration of how to properly set the table, along with etiquette rules and why manners are important. Learning these skills will last a lifetime! Hope to see you there.

Texas Ranger Raffle Tickets

Are you a Texas Ranger fan? Here's your opportunity to win four tickets good for any game you choose (except opening day and playoffs). Location of seats are section 131 in the shade between home plate and the Ranger Dugout.

These 2016 have been donated to honor game tickets are in honor of Howard Edington, who is currently battling prostate cancer. You may purchase raffle tickets for 1/\$5.00 or 3/10.00 from Debbie Edington at Texas Heritage or call 325-370-9897.

Drawing to be held at the Cancer Walk on Saturday Oct 10, 2016. All proceeds of the raffle are to benefit the benefit the Cross Plains community cancer fund. So don't miss out, go by and get your tickets today.

Jail Marker Dedication

Join us Thursday, October 8, at noon for the dedication of the new historical marker at the county jail. The ceremony will begin shortly after noon followed by a hot dog lunch at the Episcopal Church pavilion across the street. Help the Callahan County Historical Commission (CCHC) celebrate



THREE PEOPLE TRAVELLING IN THIS 2003 DODGE PICKUP TRUCK WERE KILLED AND A FOURTH PERSON DIED IN A TWO-VEHICLE ACCIDENT AT 12:05 A.M. ON FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 25TH AT THE INTERSECTION OF STATE HIGHWAY 283 & STATE HIGHWAY 36 SOUTH OF BAIRD



THE DRIVER OF THIS 2005 FREIGHTLINER TRACTOR/TRAILER RIG WAS KILLED IN A TWO VEHICLE CRASH ON FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 25TH AT THE INTERSECTION OF STATE HIGHWAY 283 & STATE HIGHWAY 36 SOUTH OF BAIRD

Four killed in two vehicle crash

Four people were killed in a two-vehicle accident which occurred at the intersection of US Highway 283 and State Highway 36, 11.8 miles south of Baird in Callahan County on Friday, September 25th.

Texas Department of Troopers received a call of a two-vehicle accident at the intersection of Highway 283 and 36 at 12:05 a.m., with Trooper Micheal Haley responding as the investigating officer.

Trooper Haley reported a 2005 Freightliner truck, towing a trailer was travelling westbound on Highway 36, when the tractor/trailer rig collided with a 2003 Dodge pickup travelling southbound on Highway 283. The driver of the 2003 Dodge pickup truck failed to stop at the stop

intersection, striking the 2005 Freightliner broadside.

The driver of the tractor/trailer rig, George Earl Nowlain, 71, of Valley Mills, Texas, was pronounced dead at the scene by Judge Taylor. The body was taken to Abilene Professional Funeral Home. Nowlain was not wearing a seat belt.

Two people in the 2003 Dodge pickup truck were also pronounced dead at the scene by Judge Taylor, with all three taken to Abilene Professional Service Funeral Home. Those killed included the driver of the pickup, Joel Flores Jr., 24, of Anaheim, California; and Fernando Ramirez, 48, of Anaheim, California. Flores Jr. and Ramirez were not wearing seat belts.

A third man, Joel Ortega-Flores, 51, of Anaheim, California, was pronounced dead at Hendrick Medical Center in Abilene by Judge Dean. His body was also taken to Abilene Professional Services Funeral Home. Ortega-Flores was wearing his seat belt.

Got Junk, Stuff or Thingumajigs? You're in luck! The Community Wide Yard & Garage Sale is October 3rd

The Annual Community Wide Yard Sale is just around the corner on Saturday, October 3rd.

Want to join us and get some cash for YOUR unwanted items? You can sign up for only \$5 and your sale will be publicized by sponsor Cross Plains Chamber of Commerce. Maps will be

available at the Methodist Church the day of or the Friday before October 2nd at the Chamber office.

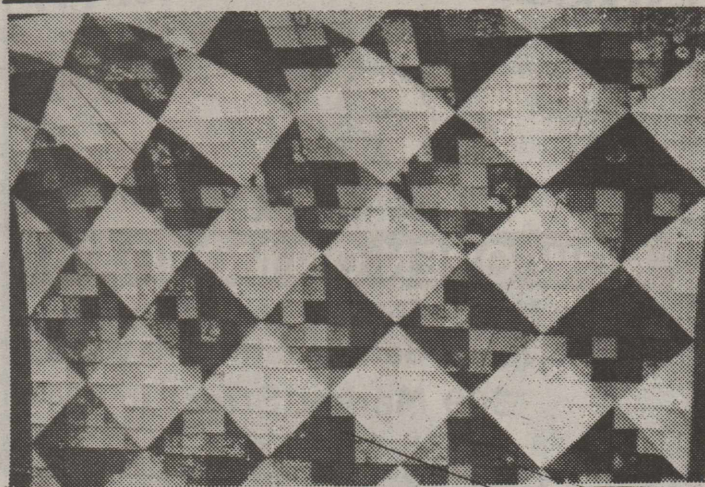
To register your sale call My-leah at the chamber office 10am-3pm, 254-725-7251. A fee of \$5 to be in the map for both individuals or organizations will help with the publicity costs.

Flu and Pneumonia Shots Available

The Flu and Pneumonia immunization clinic has been scheduled for, Thursday October 8, 2015 from 9:00 A.M. - 3:00 P.M. at the Cross Plains Senior Center. Stephen F. Owen, R.PH pharmacist from Owen Pharmacy in Abilene will be returning to Cross Plains to provide both influenza and pneumonia vaccines. Primary Medicare Part

B, Medicare HMO, and Tricare insurance will pay for these vaccines or pay only \$31.99 for influenza vaccine for anyone with these types of insurance.

Mark your calendar, Thursday October 8, 2015, 9:00-3:00, Cross Plains Senior Center, 108 N. Main St. If you need additional information, call 254-725-6521.



Quilt Raffle to Benefit Cancer Fund

You could win this beautiful quilt that was pieced by the Cottonwood Quilting Club and quilted by the Cross Plains Quilters and donated to the Cancer Fund. Tickets are available now at the Senior

Center and at Texas Heritage Bank for \$1 each or 6 for \$5.00. The drawing for the quilt will be held at the Cancer Walk on October 10th. You do not have to be present to win.

City of Cross Plains Requesting Alley Ways to be Cleared

The City of Cross Plains is respectfully requesting local citizens to remove any personal or private property that is park in the city's alley ways or blocking entry into the alley.

There are several areas of town where citizens have put up fences or gates, parked cars or other items in the alley which prohibits easy access to city property.

items a letter will be issued to each citizen who currently meets one of the above situations. If after the letter is issued and NOT complied with, the city will issue a citation or have the items removed at the owner's expense. PLEASE comply with this request to avoid any further action on the part of the City.

Thanking each of you in advance.

If citizens do not remove these

Pedestrian killed walking across I-20 Monday

A Myrtle Beach, North Carolina pedestrian was killed in a pedestrian/vehicle accident reported at 12:51 a.m. on Monday, September 28th on Inter-

state 20.

Department of Public Safety Trooper Vernon Guthrie reported Patrick Hayes Newell, 25 of Myrtle Beach, NC was walking northbound across I-20 near the 307 mile marker of I-20 near Baird, when he was struck by a 2015 Ford passenger vehicle travelling east on I-20, driven by Benny Glen Bundy, 36, of Amarillo. The driver of the vehicle was not injured and was wearing a seatbelt.

Newell was pronounced dead at Hendrick Medical Center in Abilene by Judge McAuliffe.

Helping Hearts & Hands

The Cross Plains Area Housing Initiative Board will once again have a Helping Hearts and Hands work day. The date is set for Saturday, October 17th.

This service is for low income Seniors and the Disabled. The workers will do weatherization, small painting jobs, caulking, yard work and small jobs to help the community. The workers will start at 8:00 A.M. and you must be home to have the work done.

Deadline for applications is October 10th. You may pick up applications for the Helping Hearts & Hands event at Texas Heritage Bank, the Cross Plains Senior Citizen Center and Connie's Cuts and Curls.

Remember Your Loved Ones with a Luminary or Lighted Balloons

Light The Night - Help Raise Funds to Support our Community Cancer Fund

What a special way to honor a loved one by dedicating a luminary candle, or carrying an illuminated balloon in the twilight of our annual Community Cancer Walk. It is truly a beautiful sight to see, and we hope you will help support our efforts to raise money for this cause.

To purchase a luminary or illuminated balloon, please fill out the form below.

*IN HONOR OF _____

*IN MEMORY OF _____

You may list several names under each heading. Each luminary or balloon is a donation of \$5.00. Make checks payable to the Community Cancer Fund and mail to:

Melissa Richards
PO Box 524
Cross Plains, TX 76443

Or forms may be picked up at Texas Heritage Bank and the Cross Plains Senior Citizen Center to be completed and brought back with your donation. The luminary sacks can be personalized by you to honor your loved one.

Should you have any questions call (254) 725-6651.

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

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

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Thomas Estes, Pastor
Gregg Steinle, Youth Pastor
Friendly Church Church (254) 725-6266 Bible Teaching

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208 N. Ave. D

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Bible Class: 9:45 A.M.
Evening Worship: 5:00P.M.
Wednesday: Evening: 7:00P.M.
Ladies Class - Wednesday:
10:00A.M. (at the church activity center on East Hwy 36)
Office: (254-725-6117)
Cell Phone: Rick - (918) 348-6859

Obituaries



AUTNA DEEN BROWN

Autna Deen Havens Brown

Autna Deen Havens Brown went to be with her Savior Jesus Christ on the beautiful Sunday morning of September 13, 2015. She was born on January 21, 1925 to Silas and Rosa Havens in Caradan, TX. Her family moved to Cross Plains, Texas in 1926. She graduated from Cross Plains High School in 1942. Autna Deen Havens married the love of her life, William D. Brown, in Odessa on June 25, 1945. They were married for 66 years, and they had the pleasure of living in various states across the United States. They also lived in many small oil patch communities and company camps in West Texas. One of the ones they spoke most fondly of was the camp at Guadalupe Pass.

Deen retired from Metropolitan Life Insurance Company in 1978.

Deen was a member of the Greatest Generation, and the strength and courage of those who grew up during that time was evident throughout her life. During World War II Deen worked in the parts warehouse at Midland Air Force Base. She was not afraid of hard work, and took pride in all she did. It was always her desire, even though Don went on before her, to live independently in her own home. That is exactly what she did until she passed from this life! Hers was a life well lived.

Deen loved playing card games, working puzzles, watching sports, sewing, crocheting, and most importantly playing Wahoo with her family and friends. She had a green thumb and loved to garden. She also loved fishing, and enjoyed playing golf in years past. "Deenie", as she became known by her bowling teammates and many friends, was an excellent bowler and participated in a bowling league for many years. She loved her family and enjoyed visits from her grandchildren and great-grandchildren. She welcomed her first great-great-grandson in 2015.

Deen is preceded in death by her husband, William D. Brown; one infant daughter, Patricia Elaine Brown; one infant granddaughter, Christina D'Ann Clark; her parents, Silas and Rosa Havens; two sisters, Ruth Havens Neveu McIntosh and Marie Havens Anderson; and two brothers, Floyd Havens, and Silas Loyd Havens.

She is survived by three daughters, Donna (Tex) Clark of Hutto and previously of Midland, Ellen (Lynn) Walthall of Sweetwater, Darcy (Donny) Knight of Midland; seven granddaughters, who knew her as "Granny", Denise (Terry) Hightower of Hutto, Donnita Jackson of Austin, Morgan (Kyle) San-

ders of Round Rock, Krista Knight of Dripping Springs, Casie (Levi) Britt of Abilene, Trina Knight of Waco, Jessica Walthall of Leander; seven great-grandchildren; and one great-great-grandson. She is also survived by one brother, Charlie (Alberta) Havens of Rockwall; and one sister, Rose Haakonsen of Fox River Grove, Illinois, and many nieces and nephews.

As a dedicated member of the Church of Christ, the family finds peace knowing she is with her Savior. Family will receive friends at Ellis Funeral home on Friday, September 18, 2015 from 6:00 to 8:00 P.M. A funeral service will be held at Cross Plains Church of Christ, 433 N. Main Street, Cross Plains, Texas, at 1:00 P.M. on Saturday, September 19, 2015. Burial will follow at Cross Plains Cemetery in Cross Plains, Texas. Arrangements are under the direction of Ellis Funeral Home of Midland, Texas.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to the Pulmonary Hypertension Association, 801 Roeder Road, Suite 1000, Silver Spring, Md. 20910.

Condolences may be made at: www.ellisfunerals.com

Edward Isaac Pancake

Edward Isaac Pancake, age 85, of Cross Plains passed away, Thursday, September 24, 2015 in Rising Star, Texas. Graveside services were held at 2:30 p.m. Saturday, September 26, 2015 at Pioneer Cemetery in Callahan County, Texas with Ronnie White officiating.

Ed was born on June 06, 1930 in Morton Valley, Texas to William Lemoine Pancake Sr and Lola Lee (Arnett) Pancake. He married Nancy L. Skinner on December 22, 1951 in Pioneer, Texas. They celebrated 56 wonderful years of marriage before she preceded him in death on June 29, 2007.

Ed is survived by his daughter, Brandy Pancake of Cross Plains, Texas; brother, Jackie Pancake and his wife, Nelda of Cross Plains, Texas; several grandchildren and extended family.

Ed is preceded in death by his parents; wife; son; 2 brother.



Higginbotham FUNERAL HOME
309 N. E. 4th STREET
P. O. BOX 9
CROSS PLAINS, TX 76443

DEATH NOTICE

Bill David Fulcher

Bill David Fulcher of Cross Plains, passed away September 26, 2015. Visitation will be 5-7pm Tuesday, 29th with funeral services Wednesday, 30th at 10am. Both at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home in Midland, TX. Graveside service will follow at Trinity Memorial Park in Big Spring, TX at 2pm.

Ona Etta "Sally" Davis

Ona Etta "Sally" Davis, 85 of Cross Plains, passed away Thursday September 24, 2015. Services will be held at 11 a.m. Saturday at the Pioneer Baptist Church with Rev. Dwaine Clower officiating. Burial will follow in the Pioneer Cemetery directed by Edwards Funeral Home of Eastland.

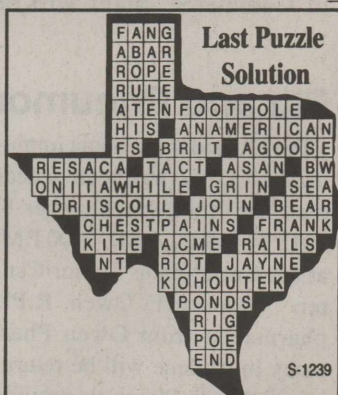
Mrs. Davis was born August 10, 1930 in Paducah, TX to Onnie Thomas Owens and Lillian Etta (Gibbs) Owens. She married Sidney Davis on June 19, 1947 in Paducah. She was a member of the Pioneer Baptist Church. She was a homemaker who enjoyed spending time with her family and babysitting her grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her husband; a son, Sidney Frank Davis; a great-grandson, Miguel Alaniz; 2 brothers; and 5 sisters.

Survivors include 2 sons, Neal Davis of Germany, and Alan Davis of Lockney; 2 daughters, Peggy Chavez of Santa Rosa, NM, and Lil Martinez of Eastland; 18 grandchildren; and 27 great-grandchildren.

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Wednesday 6:30 p.m - Prayer/Worship
Student & Children Ministies
(254) 725-7629 301 N. Main, Cross Plains, TX 76443
www.firstbaptistcp.com

First United Methodist Church
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Love Fund
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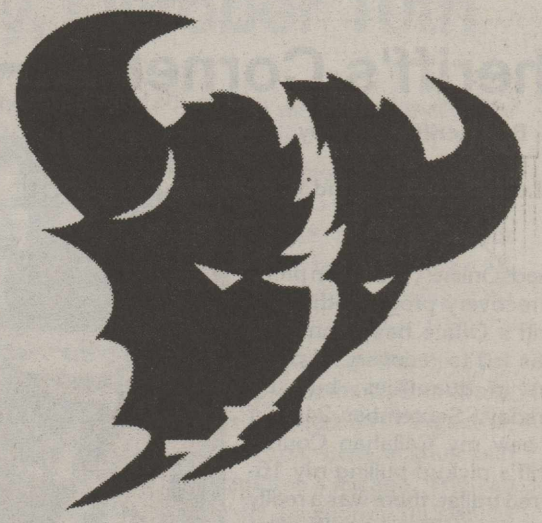
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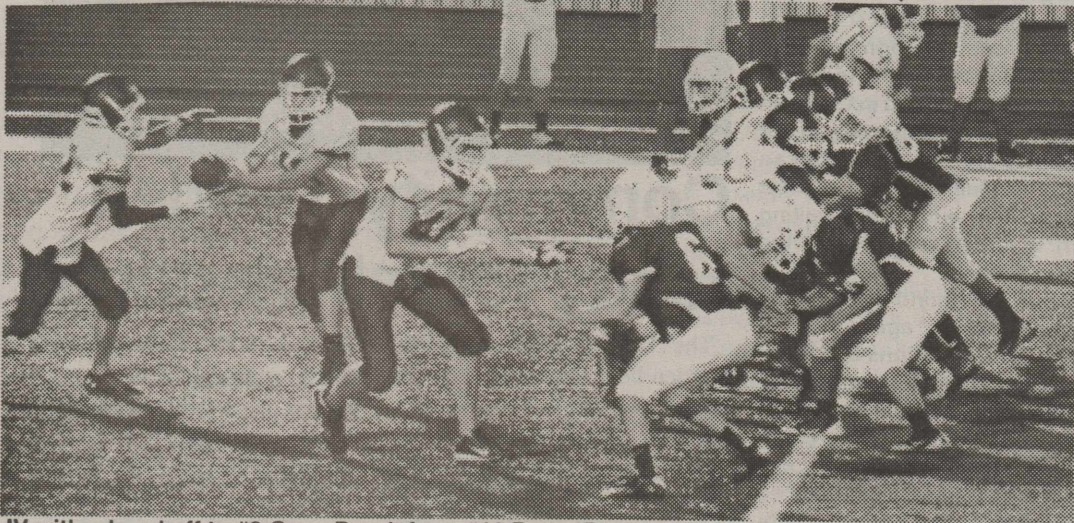
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BUFFALOES



Junior Varsity Buffaloes vs. Irion County Hornets

Junior High Buffaloes vs. Irion County Hornets



JV with a hand off to #2 Gage Brock from #10 Bryce Petree



Junior High Buffaloes with a hand off



Junior Varsity Buffaloes against Irion County Hornets

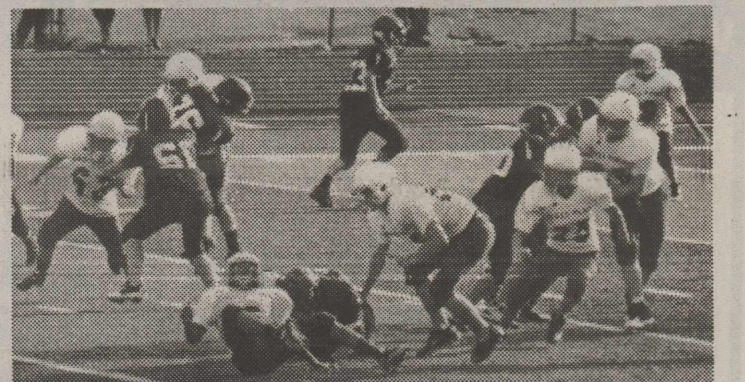


Junior High Buffaloes ready to take the field pictured with the JH Cheerleaders

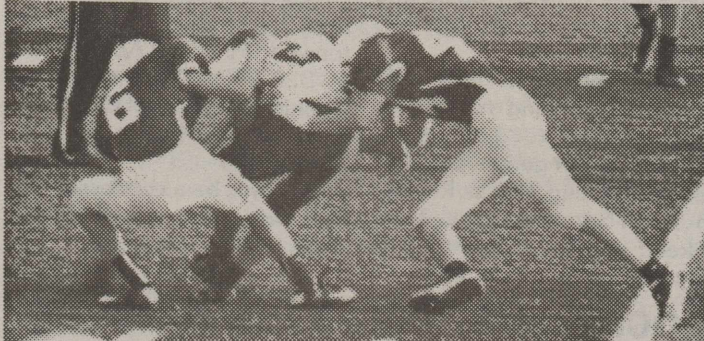
The JH & JV Buffaloes fell to the Irion County Hornets on Friday, September 25th.

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Junior High Buffaloes



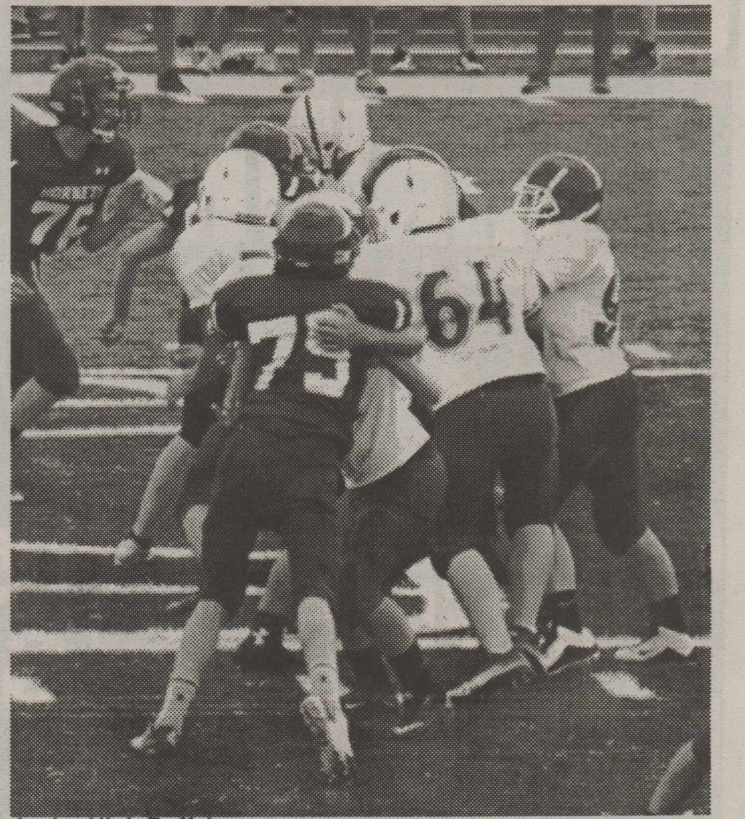
The Hornets working to take down JV Buffalo Gage Brock



JV Buffaloes Brian Moreales and Trent Potter



JV Captains: Bryce Petree, Tripp Thomas and Samuel Guerrero



Junior High Buffaloes

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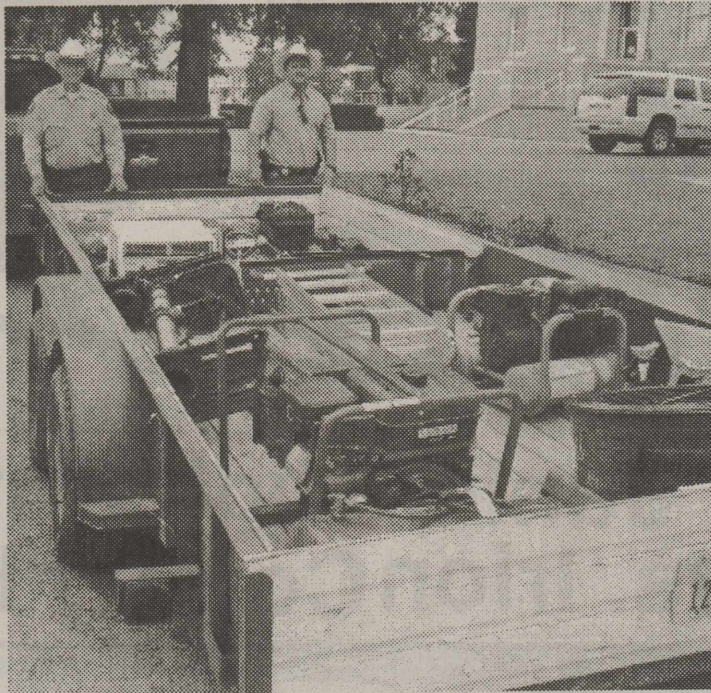
The Thumb Print

Sheriff's Corner

By Sheriff Terry Joy

Leads On Line Lead to Recovery

"LeadsOnline", the stolen property recovery program that the Sheriff's Office has connected to has led to recovery of other items in quantities, but, on Thursday, September 24th, if you saw my Callahan County Sheriff's pickup pulling my 16-foot red trailer, there was a really good reason. The Sheriff's Department doesn't own a trailer and this day one was really needed. I hooked mine up to my county issue pickup to go to 8 pawn shops in Abilene to recover and load all of the items (tools and equipment) you see in the above picture. The next day, Friday, September 25th, I went back to Abilene to two more pawn shops and picked up a Lincoln welder and a t-post driver and other tools that are not shown in this picture.



CALLAHAN COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT DEPUTIES WITH SOME OF THE STOLEN PROPERTY OBTAINED FROM ABILENE PAWN SHOPS

Wednesday night a Callahan County citizen had come to the Sheriff's Office to report all of the property you see in the trailer, had been stolen from his house and workshop. The property owner had made a list of all that was missing that he could remember. He also had serial numbers and a description of his missing property. (Not long ago the Sheriff's Office purchased a year's subscription to "LeadsOnline" for about \$1,100.00. The money was donated by two Callahan County citizens.)

The night the property was reported stolen, Deputy Lemon, who was on duty, started the theft report. All the good information provided by the property owner was fed into "LeadsOnline" and his missing property showed up in eight different pawn shops in Abilene. The suspect's name and identi-

fication was on the pawn receipt and a warrant for his arrest has been issued.

Callahan County Deputy Leroy Foley and I spent all Thursday afternoon going to pawn shops and picking up stolen property. That evening I had the pleasure of delivering the property to the rightful owner in Callahan County. This investigation got off to a good start thanks to the owner who had good records and receipts of his property and thanks to "LeadsOnline" and the two "silent donors" who have made "LeadsOnline" available to the Sheriff's Office.

A few days ago I waded into the jail dispatch booking area and saw a young man sitting in the booking chair. He looked very familiar and I asked him what he was here for. He said for felony theft. I told him that he looked familiar and I asked him where I

knew him from. He said that we had never met. I turned and started walking out. Before I got to the door I remembered where I had seen him. It was on a picture taken by the security cameras at First Bank Texas in Clyde, when he was cashing a \$5,128.00 check. He had scammed a nice Callahan County lady, out of \$5,128.00. He told the lady he was a representative of her electric company and the company's computers showed that her house had a serious electric lead. He told her she needed this work done immediately to keep her house from catching fire because of this malfunction. He was there about an hour and told her it was fixed. He told her she owned the company \$6,200.00 but she could have a discount and it would only cost her \$5,128.00. After he left with

the check she realized she had been scammed but it was too late. He had gone to the bank, cashed the check, and left town before payment could be stopped. When we found out who he was, from First Texas Bank information, we issued a warrant for his arrest.

I turned around and went back where he was sitting and told him that I remembered him. I asked him if he had any of the \$5,128.00 left. He said he spent it all. He said he was high on meth when he was doing all the scams.

Leonard, our transporter/dispatcher/jailer, had just brought him here from a prison unit near Palestine, Texas where he is already serving a 5 year sentence for this same type of scam. He had gone from Callahan County to Parker County and scammed a lady out of approximately \$12,000.00 using the same method he had used in Callahan County. He is temporarily in our jail on a bench warrant so he can enter his plea in our court, after that he has court dates awaiting him in other counties for the same offense.

I want to remind all Callahan County citizens again to write down all descriptions and serial numbers or model numbers or event take pictures of your property and valuables. Keep property locked up as much as possible and strategically placed motion cameras are very helpful. Remember that if it sounds too good to be true it usually is too good to be true. Just hang up on scammers. Do not let strangers in your house. If they say they are from the electric company or any company call the company number from a state you have paid. Never rely on a number the repairman provides you. If you realize you are being scammed, call the Sheriff's Office immediately.

FARM BUREAU ANNUAL COUNTY CONVENTION

The Callahan-Shackelford County Farm Bureau annual meeting will be held Tuesday, October 06, 2015 beginning at 6:30 P.M. at the First Baptist Church Christian Life Center in Clyde, according to Phil Williams, county president.

A fish fry and desserts will be catered by Cook's Fish Barn of Comanche to members prior to the meeting. Farm Bureau members and their immediate families will be served at no

charge. There will be a drawing for door prizes.

The main purpose of this annual meeting is to adopt policies for the coming year. Also, new Directors will be elected at this time, as will voting delegates to represent our county at the State Convention to be held in Arlington, Texas on December 5-7, 2015.

Please call the office at 325-854-1044 for reservations if you plan to attend.

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Community Garden ready for fall planting

The Lord's Acre Community Garden boxes are ready for the cooler weather fall crops. After the first summer of abundant produce that was generously shared, the 4X8 foot raised beds are again available for use.

The garden came about last spring with a generous grant from the Fiskar Orange Thumb program that was obtained by Michelle Kaiser. With this grant came lots of Fiskar brand garden tools that are now housed in a shed built by members of the First United Methodist Church. Monies were also made available by Fiskar to purchase building supplies for both the shed and the nine boxes.

The garden is located on the lot just east of the FUMC on

George Scott St. with water being available from a well located on the church property. Although FUMC is providing the land and water, this is not a church project, but rather is open to anybody in the community who would like a space to have a small free garden.

The boxes are 16 inches high and have a screen bottom that quite effectively controls weeds from getting into the beds. Being only four feet across, it is very easy to work the space from both sides with all the trowels, shovels, rakes, clippers, etc. provided by the grant.

Those interested in taking on a box to "care and share" are encouraged to contact the Methodist Church at 254-725-7377 for more information.

4th Annual Cottonwood Sporting Clays Shoot

The 4th Annual Cottonwood Community Sporting Clays Shoot benefiting the Cottonwood Historical Association and the Cottonwood Volunteer Fire Control Group will be held Saturday, October 17, 2015.

The event will take place at the Callahan County 4-H Shooting Range between Clyde and Baird as it has been in previous years.

The event begins at 9 a.m. Saturday morning running all day.

The shotgun games are Whiz Bang Sporting Clays, Regular 5-Stand Sporting Clays, Trap, Skeet, and the Craziest Crazy Quail.

Team sponsors are 5 member teams for \$150 (\$30 per team member) for competition, non-shooting sponsor for \$25, or individuals are welcome to come shoot the regular 5-stand, skeet, or trap for individual round fees. Teams are asked to pre-register by Monday, October 12th.

To pre-register or for additional information, contact Cottonwood Fire Chief Adrian Allen at 325-280-7154, or Bob or Cookie Robinson at 325-660-5771, or Bill Bishop at 325-201-8888.

There will be a concession on the range with hamburgers, chips, drinks and water.

Local Beta Sigma Phi Sorority Has Come Full Circle

The Alpha Rho Zeta Chapter of Beta Sigma Phi Sorority was organized in April, 1977, at the home of Dora (Smith) Warlick. After 38 years of serving the Cross Plains community, the tough decision to disband was made official in a celebration on September 14, 2015. Members who gathered at Dora's home and voted unanimously to disband were Michelle Kaiser, Jane Bonner, Marsha Ossowski, Sue Neal, Elizabeth Hunsaker, Betty Fraley, and Dora Warlick.

In 1931, during the Great Depression, there was a need for an organization that could bring women together and expose them to a social, cultural and educational climate that was not available in those difficult times. Most important, there was a need for friendship and support from other women. Beta Sigma Phi was created out of this need, and became so much more throughout the years.

Every woman who has been a member of our local chapter can celebrate with us, as we remember the fun, friendship, hard work, and service projects that have been so much part of our lives. We have been proud to support the community in various ways: awarding an annual \$500 scholarship to a Cross Plains graduating senior, spon-

soring the 7th grade trip to Austin each spring, organizing the annual community-wide yard sale, hosting "Tour of Homes", assembling Thanksgiving baskets each year for the needy, initiating "Splash in the Park" for kids, hosting style shows, tea tastings, and Mother's Day luncheons, providing eyeglasses for children, and "adopting" needy families, assembling "Care Bags" for local cancer patients, hosting a kids' table at the library Christmas Craft Fair, Miss Valentine Pageants, helping with the Cancer Walk, etc.

This list could go on and on, as it is impossible to remember all of the worthy causes and projects through the years. We would like to thank the community for always supporting our fundraising projects so that we could give back. In keeping with our values, funds left in our treasury will be dispersed among support for cheerleaders participating in New York's Macy's Day Parade, the local Back Pack program sponsored by the First United Methodist Church, and the Jeremiah 29 project which helps provide healthy meals for children in the summer.

Members will continue to serve, volunteer, support, and participate in every aspect of this wonderful community. Our Sisterhood Spirit lives on!

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Wednesday-7th Exercise 11:00
Thursday -8th Flu Shots/Readers with 3rd graders
Friday -9th IntegraCare/Bingo 11:15
Saturday -10th Cancer Walk 5:00-9:00

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

Oct 5th - Oct 9th

Monday 5th- Hamburger Steak, Potatoes, Green Beans, Bread & Dessert
Tuesday 6th- Chicken Spaghetti, Corn, Lettuce & Tomato Salad, Bread & Dessert
Wednesday 7th- Ham & Cheese Sandwich, Lettuce, Tomato, Onion, Chips, Jello & Cookie

Thursday 8th- BBQ Chicken, Pinto Beans, Potato Salad, Corn Bread & Dessert
Friday 9th- Butter Beans & Ham, Spinach, Corn Bread, Fruit & Dessert

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Monthly Menu may be picked up at the Senior Citizen Center

Hey Kids! New Books at the Cross Plains Library

We have 75 new books at the library for young people from 0-18! Come in and "check them out."

Every year, your library works with the Heart of Texas Literature Center, located at Howard Payne University in Brownwood. Major book publishers send new children's books, hoping to get positive reviews they can use in their advertising. H.O.T.'s review publication, The Lognette, gets noticed and used by the publishers. The Cross Plains Public Library sponsors the Center for \$300 per year, and several volunteers review books for the library. This year, in

return for that \$300, we received 75 books with a total retail value of \$1,182.87 - that's paying about \$.25 for every \$1.00 of value received! This year, 30 of those 75 books were hand-picked as being a good addition to our children's collection. Every year since 2000, the library has received a like value of books - just one more way that CPPL makes your donations go as far as possible.

If you would like to know more about the Heart of Texas Literature Center, or would like to help review children's books (1, 2, 3 or more a year - whatever you choose), please call Ginny Hoskins at 254-725-7509.

Clyde Chamber of Commerce Announces 2015 Pecan Festival! Elvis Returns!!!

On Saturday, October 10th, the Clyde Chamber of Commerce will be hosting the 2015 Pecan and Bluegrass Festival. The parade will begin at 10:00 this year, with the vendor market and entertainment starting at 10:30am (or after the parade is finished). The Festival will last until 5:00pm this year and will have its signature live music, vendors galore, all kinds of delicious food, and Bake-Off competition. This year's live music includes the return of Harvey McFadden as Elvis and Denim and Lace! New this year will be a Gospel Sing that kicks off at 6:00pm and ends at 10:00pm at The Platform. Praise teams from several area churches will perform at the Gospel Sing. We are also adding new events and festival games such as a Hot Dog Eating Contest (\$10 registration fee), and a water balloon toss, a three legged race, a potato sack race, and much more! Tickets to play the festival games are \$1 each and may be purchased at the Chamber booth. The Market at Clyde will also be open inside the Old Firehouse, and finally, we will have a special visit from Minnie Mouse, the Incredible Hulk, and the loveable Minion from Despicable Me! You will NOT want to miss our biggest and best Pecan Festival yet!!! A

detailed schedule may be found on our website - www.clydechamberofcommerce.com

We are currently seeking vendors for the Pecan Festival Market. Booth spaces are 12x12, \$30 each, \$40 for electricity and indoor spaces. All vendors are welcome to set up for both the Festival and the Gospel Sing. For a vendor application please check in the Clyde Journal or e-mail chamber@clydeamerica.com. All vendor spaces are first come first served, food booths are given priority for electric spaces, and your space is not confirmed until the Chamber has received both your vendor application and your booth fee. All vendor policies can be found at www.clydechamberofcommerce.com

This year's Bake-Off looks to be quite tasty! Entry forms are included in the Clyde Journal or interested parties may request one by e-mailing chamber@clydeamerica.com. Entry fees for this year will be \$3 per item. First and second prizes will be awarded for each category and we'll have an overall high point, Best of Bake-Off winner. All entries will be dropped off at the Chamber's indoor stage.

We're looking forward to a great Pecan and Bluegrass Festival! Hope to see you there!!!

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The Cross Plains Community Cancer Fund is "Dropping Anchor" on Cancer at this year's Cancer Walk! Set for Saturday, October 10th at the Cross Plains ISD Football Field, starting at 5 p.m., the event brings local residents together for an evening of fun, food, games, live music, prize drawings, support for those fighting cancer and a remembrance of those who have passed on.

Walking teams set up camp on the football field along with all kinds of other booths. Decorate your booth (or even your team) to go along with this year's nautical theme. You could: have a beach party, find Nemo, look for the Little Mermaid, scuba dive, set sail, play beach blanket bingo, dress up like Popeye, go fishing, hide from Jaws, dive under the sea, catch Charlie the tuna, sing 'Anchors Away', party on a paddle wheel, or any one of hundreds of ideas that work with the "Dropping anchor" theme.

Many local organizations and businesses will be at the event including Warriors Against Cancer, Cross Plains High School FFA, Cross Plains Garden Club, Girling Home Health, ResourceCare, Gentiva Hospice, Care Improvement Plus, Some of those who have signed up to have a food booth: Rowden Baptist Church, Church of Christ, Baptist Men's Ministry, Methodist Church, Masonic Lodge, and Hannah's Lemonade Stand.

The kids will enjoy the inflatable Pirate Ship and the 40 ft. Obstacle Course manned by the Cross Plains Volunteer Fire Department. There's also the children's train, face painting,

balloon animals, bingo, duck pond, go fish, balloon pop and other games.

A new feature this year: "The Newlywed Game". Several local well-known couples will be trying to match their answers to questions just like the 1970s style game show. You can help the couples "win" and they will get extra points for donations.

Live music will be presented at the event by Thomas Estes and the Cottonwood Praise Group, the First Baptist Children's Choir and other performers.

A Live Auction feature cakes from some the best bakers in the Cross Plains area and other items. There's also a Silent Auction and a Children's Auction.

Many businesses have stepped up to help the Cancer Fund furnishing prizes for the raffle including a 32" Color Television set, two \$50 gift certificates from Meghan's Market in Eastland, decor items, restaurant gift certificates and other prizes. Tickets are \$1 each or 6 for \$5 and available from the Senior Center or any of the walking teams.

There is another raffle for the beautiful quilt pieced by the Cottonwood Quilting Club and quilted by the Cross Plains Quilting Club. Tickets are \$1 each or 6 for \$5 and available from the Senior Center or any of the walking teams.

The beautiful turquoise, terracotta and yellow "The Journey" quilt made by Brenda Simons dedicated to anyone who has any type of cancer, will be auctioned in the Live Auction at the Cancer Walk on October 10th.

Many businesses, organizations and individuals are also holding prize drawings

to benefit the Cancer Fund.

Texas Heritage Bank is giving a way a Dallas Cowboys VIP weekend package including hotel, transportation to and from the hotel to the game, Bill Bates Tailgate Party for the Cowboys vs. Philadelphia Eagles game on November 8. Tickets are \$10 each or 6 for \$50 and are available at Texas Heritage Bank.

You could win a set of four tickets to a Texas Rangers game, given in honor of Howard Edington who is battling prostate cancer. The Rangers tickets are good for any game (except for opening day and playoffs). Tickets are \$5 each or 3 for \$10 and are available at Texas Heritage Bank or from Debbie Edington, 325-370-9897.

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The CPHS National Honor Society will be sponsoring a 5K Walk/Run for the morning of the Cancer Walk, October 10th.

There are several ways you can help the with the Cancer Walk. Items are needed for the raffle, live auction, silent auction, and the children's auction. You can drop off donations with Dannes at the Senior Citizens Center, Cindy at Resource Care or with Marsha Ossowski.

Cakes are needed for the Bake Sale, Cake/Prize Walk, and Cake Auction.

Prizes are needed for the Cake/Prize Walk.

Get your group or walking team together now and you can help sell tickets for the quilt raffle and the main raffle.

Luminaries are available from Texas Heritage Bank and the Senior Citizens Center. A highlight of the each year's Cancer Walk is the final Memory Walk. The lights around the football field are dimmed and the candles in the luminary sacks are lit. The names of those who have been taken by cancer are read aloud as the walking teams, survivors and all walkers take to the track to remember those we've lost in our community.

Proceeds from all of the prize drawings, both walk/runs, auctions, food booths and all of the events at the Cancer Walk benefit the Cross Plains Community Cancer Fund. This past year, the Cancer Fund has helped over 30 cancer patients with expenses as they travel to and from treatments and doctors appointments.

Cottonwood Community Turkey Supper and Country Musical

It's time for the annual Cottonwood Community Turkey Supper and Country Musical. The event will be held October 23, 2015 at the Community Center.

Serving of the meal of turkey and dressing and all the trimmings will be from 5 to 7 p.m. The charge for the meal is \$8.00 for adults and \$4.00 for children under 10 years of age. The Country Musical will begin at 5:30 p.m.

A drawing for a beautiful handmade quilt, quilted and donated by the Cottonwood Quilting Club will be held at 8:00 p.m. Proceeds from this fundraiser will be used for the maintenance and repair of the Cottonwood Community Center. The project for this year is to put new metal on the roof and do some structural repair.

For any questions call Cookie Robinson at 325-660-5771. Mark your calendars for Friday, October 23, 2015 and come out to the Cottonwood Community Center to enjoy an evening of food, music and fellowship with your friends and neighbors.



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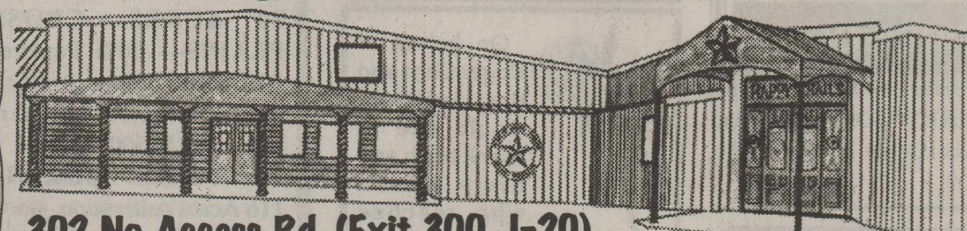
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Texas Alligator Lizard

Being geographically situated where it is, the state of Texas has a multitude of habitats, and as such, is home to a myriad of animals. Rarely will a certain species be distributed throughout this state; more often than not a species will just inhabit portions. One such lizard species bears the namesake of our great state in its common name, but in actuality it thrives primarily south of the border, and that lizard is the Texas Alligator Lizard.



Texas Alligator Lizard
(Gerrhonotus infernalis)

The Texas Alligator Lizard (*Gerrhonotus infernalis*) is the only one of its genus that calls Texas home. There are other species, but they all reside far south of our man-made border. Observations of this subtly colored but pretty lizard are generally in a narrow swath that runs east-west from the Big Bend region eastward to just east of Austin. Elsewhere this lacertilian species can be seen include several Mexican states such as Nuevo Leon, Tamaulipas, Coahuila, San Luis Potosi and Queretaro.

The habitat that this slender lizard prefer are well drained rocky canyons that are littered with oaks and junipers, as well as rocky slopes and dry creekbeds.

Not particularly overbearing in coloration as adults, the Texas Alligator Lizard possess a background coloration running the gamut from yellowish, brown, tan, or even gray. On this background there are numerous narrow white and black crossbands.

But what this species lack in coloration it makes up in body shape and overall appearance. The body is quite elongated and there is a lateral fold that runs along each side. The legs are proportionally short and the head is not noticeably separated from the body, and the slender tail, which is colored like the back, is long and about twice the length of the body. Despite the slenderness, this species is actually the second-longest species in the United States.

The name alligator lizard is derived from the fact that the scales on the back are thick and keeled, giving this slim lizard the appearance of an alligator.

Texas Alligator Lizards, like other lizard species, are "cold-blooded", or ectothermic. This means that it does not generate heat from the inside of their body, as mammals and birds do, but rather is dependent on outside sources for heating and cooling. It is active during the early mornings and late afternoons from early April to October, and like many other reptile species it avoids the hottest part

of the day by resting in shaded areas.

This species of lizard is an opportunistic carnivore, feeding primarily on small insects such as crickets, grasshoppers, and beetles, although small rodents and other lizards are consumed occasionally.

The Texas Alligator Lizard is oviparous, which is a fancy way of saying that it lays eggs. After emerging from the winter-long brumation period (reptiles do not hibernate in the true sense of the word), males will search out females to mate. During the breeding season, which is typically in early spring, males will attempt to mate with a suitable female, and after about a month following a successful copulation, the female will begin to lay a clutch of up to 30 eggs. These eggs are laid in areas of high humidity, and typically will hatch

in about eight weeks. The female will often remain in the nesting site for the duration of the incubation period. The four-inch long hatchlings are patterned similarly to the adults, although the contrast between background coloration and crossbands is much more noticeable. Like most other lizard species, the young are capable of fending for themselves immediately.

When not threatened, this lizard species is slow and methodical in its movements. However, when it feels threatened, the short legs are folded along the body and the lizard will move in an undulating motion much like a snake as it quickly darts for cover among the leaf litter.

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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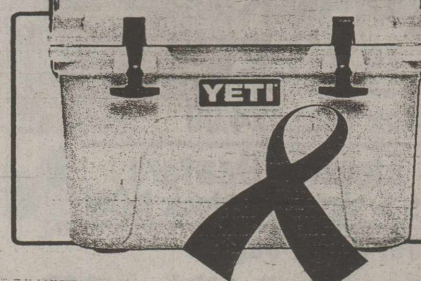
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Texans for Saving Our Hunting Heritage Supports Deer as a Public Trust Resource

AUSTIN, TEXAS—As the opening of white-tailed deer hunting season draws near, Texans for Saving Our Hunting Heritage is working to raise awareness about the important models and doctrines that define hunting as we know it. A coalition of sportsmen and women who value the rich tradition of hunting in Texas, Texans for Saving Our Hunting Heritage supports the long-standing public-private partnerships that manage wildlife in our state.

The **Public Trust Doctrine (PTD)**, with origins in Roman civil law, establishes a trustee relationship of state government to manage wildlife. This doctrine is rooted in the idea that natural resources are universally important and should be forever sustained for the benefit of future generations—hunters and non-hunters alike. The 1842 Supreme Court ruling in *Martin v. Waddell* laid the groundwork in U.S. common law, and the public trust of wildlife has held up in subsequent U.S. Court cases. Public trust of wildlife does not supersede a private landowner's right to deny access and such right encourages free market trade, adding financial value to wildlife and incentivizing stewardship of wildlife on privately owned lands.

The PTD also serves as the foundation for the **North American Model of Wildlife Conservation**, the most successful template for wildlife conservation in

the world. This model maintains that fish and wildlife belong to the citizens of the states and is defined by seven principles:

1. Wildlife is owned by the public.
2. Prohibition on commerce of dead wildlife.
3. Democracy of hunting laws.
4. Hunting is an opportunity for all and not determined by class or social status.
5. Wildlife can only be killed for a legitimate purpose.
6. Wildlife is considered an international resource.
7. Science is the proper tool for discharge of wildlife policy.

Although North America was abundant with wildlife in the early 1800s, by the turn of the century many populations were nearly decimated by out-of-control market hunting and depletion of critical habitats. The Model, as described above, is an articulation of the principles that led to the remarkable recovery of wildlife in North America and it is these same principles that continue to successfully conserve wildlife today.

To conserve the public's natural resources, great minds, such as former President Theodore Roosevelt and renowned conservationist Aldo Leopold, came forth and advocated for prudent regulatory protocols. The result of their efforts was the Federal Aid in Wildlife Restoration Act, better known as the **Pittman-Robertson Act of 1937**. This Act created an 11 percent excise tax on sporting arms and ammunition for conservation and appropriated the revenue from hunting license sales to state wildlife agencies, legitimizing the role of hunters as conservationists. Because of these regulations, species that once neared depletion are thriving today.

Texans for Saving Our Hunting Heritage believes that wildlife is a public resource, to be managed through the private investment of landowners on their properties, with regulatory oversight from Texas Parks and Wildlife Department. This model has yielded healthy and thriving wildlife populations in Texas and beyond and should remain the law of the land.

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Vietnam Veteran's photo sought for "The Wall"

The Cross Plains Review was contacted by a volunteer from the Vietnam Veteran's Memorial in Washington, D.C. this past week seeking our help. The Vietnam Veteran's Memorial Fund has been putting together a virtual wall of faces for each name on the Wall for several years and is using volunteers and community resources to find photographs of soldiers. Callahan County lost two soldiers in Vietnam and one has yet to have his picture sent in to the VVMF.

The photo that is needed is of George D. Weeks. His date of

birth is 1939 and the year of his death in combat is 1966. His home of record with the Veteran's Administration is Cross Plains. As we know in this community, that could mean Burkett, Pioneer, Putnam, Admiral, Cottonwood, etc. If you have any information or a picture of George D. Weeks, please send it to Ms. Janna Hoehn neverforgotten2014@gmail.com she is the volunteer working on obtaining Texas Veteran's pictures for the Wall. For more information on the Virtual Wall of Faces go to: www.vvmf.org/thewall.

Pioneer Historical Board Meeting Scheduled

The second semi annual meeting of the Pioneer Historical Association and Cemetery Board will be held at 6:00 P.M., October 12, 2015 at Jean's Feed Barn in Cross Plains.

If at all possible, board members should be in attendance. Visitors are welcome and all with family ties to the Pioneer Cemetery are especially welcome.

BBB warns Credit Card Fraud Scam

Our thanks goes to Jerry Horton at Accredited Business Southwest Air Conditioning & Heating who alerted the BBB to a fraudulent credit card transaction, this time targeting A/C & Heating contractors. The convoluted scheme included a \$3500 credit card transaction with \$2300 in cash wired to the "owner" of the home where some repairs were needed. BBB advises caution when dealing with customers unknown to you who place credit card orders over the phone. Become familiar with the charge back policies of your credit card processor when taking phone orders & are "forced transactions". If you suspect a stolen card report it to your merchant processor ASAP. These types of crimes are very hard to investigate and prosecute because there is less physical evidence. Often the details of the deal are completed via email. Many times the crooks want you to withdraw cash on the card for unusual "arrangements".

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Governor Abbott Signs Transportation Agreement With Mexico; Announces Energy Task Force

AUSTIN — Governor Greg Abbott today, Tuesday, September 8th, signed a transportation agreement between the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) and the Ministry of Communications and Transportation of the United Mexican States to promote and increase bilateral collaboration on future border infrastructure projects. Additionally, Governor Abbott and Mexico announced the creation of an energy task force to foster economic growth on both sides of the border by finding new and innovative energy solutions.

"The State of Texas recognizes the importance of its long term partnership with Mexico, which is why we must continue to expand our dialogue on issues such as border security, transportation and energy," said Governor Abbott. "Today's transformative agreement on transportation signifies Texas' and Mexico's intent to expand highway infrastructure, encourage economic development and facilitate bilateral trade on both sides of the border. "I am also pleased to announce Texas and Mexico's intent to establish an energy task force, which will foster discussions on energy reform as developments in the energy industry proliferate at home and across the border. Texas and Mexico meet at the center of North America's vast energy resources, and this task force will provide a unique opportunity to enrich economic growth and development for both sides."

Claudia Ruiz Massieu, Mexico Secretary of Foreign Affairs highlighted that "such a deep and diverse relationship as the one Mexico and Texas share flour-

ishes when there is communication and mutual understanding. Governor Abbott's visit reflects the will to take that path."

(Transportation Agreement
• Maintain consistent oral and written communication regarding binational transportation and border issues.

• Promote bilateral collaboration in the exchange of information and research impacting motor vehicle border land cross-

ings.
• Increase collaboration on future border infrastructure projects.

Energy Task Force
• Continue to strengthen and modernize our interconnected electric and natural gas infrastructure.

• Develop resources to find additional energy solutions.
• Promote investments in the energy value productive chain.



TEXAS GOVERNOR GREG ABBOTT, AT LEFT, AND MEXICAN PRESIDENT ENRIQUE PEÑA NIETO, AT RIGHT

Governor Abbott Meets With Mexican President Enrique Peña Nieto; Extends Invitation To Texas

AUSTIN — Governor Greg Abbott today met with Mexican President Enrique Peña Nieto to discuss additional ways Texas and Mexico can work together to further strengthen their partnership. Governor Abbott also extended a formal invitation for President Peña Nieto to visit Texas.

"I want to extend my deepest gratitude to President Peña Nieto

for taking the time to meet with me on my first visit to Mexico as Governor of Texas," said Governor Abbott. "This trip has yielded significant outcomes that will ultimately strengthen the bond between Texas and Mexico. I look forward to continuing our dialogue and working with Mexico to ensure greater prosperity on both sides of the border."



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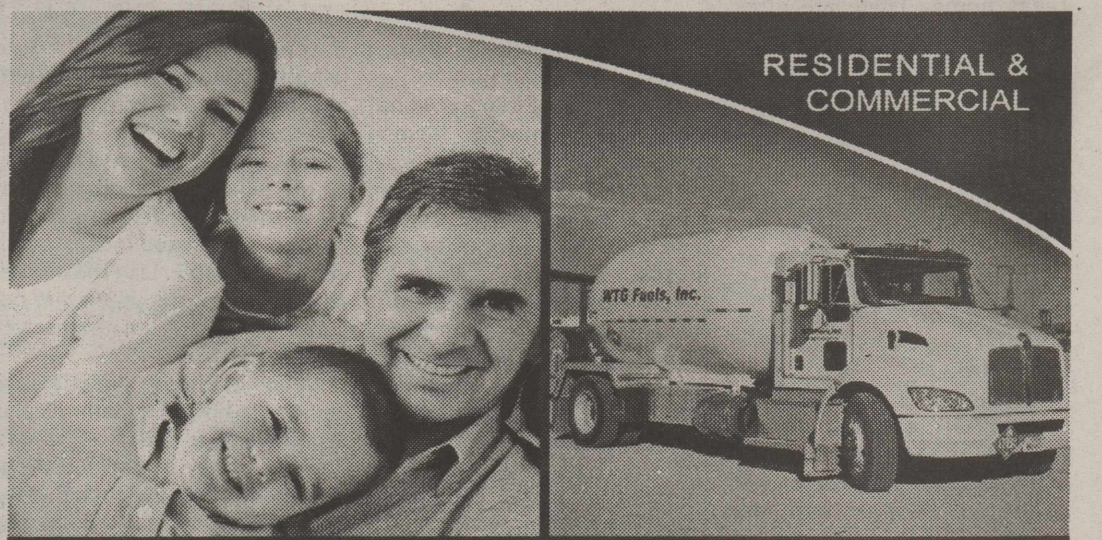
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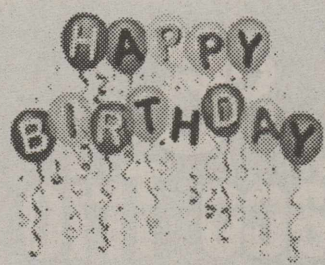
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Scranton Upcoming "Hunters Musical Feed" - Save the Date

The Scranton Musical will be Saturday, October 3, 2015 at the Scranton Community Center. Margaret Starr will be hostess in the kitchen and plans on serving Bar B Que on a bun with coleslaw and beans. There will also be sandwiches and homemade pies.

Come out to enjoy a very good meal and wonderful entertainment. The kitchen begins serving at 5:00 and music will start at 5:30.

Also, the benefit musical that was held September 26th for Buddy Johnson was a huge success. There were about 130 attending and the Lord really worked on people's hearts to open up their pocketbook. Buddy and Ruby are very thankful and appreciative of the love, prayers and support.

See you Saturday!

It is that time of year again! The Hunters Feed is fast approaching! The date is Saturday November 7th. At this annual event we provide any hunter with a hunting license or land owner a free BBQ lunch. We are in need of donations for Door Prizes! Hats, knives, game cameras, gift cards, chairs, deer corn, flash lights, this list just a few of the donations we received last year! This is a great annual event for the community and we hope to hear from you!

This year the chamber also has open positions for new sponsor's. To become a sponsor for the Chamber's annual Hunters Feed it is a \$50 donation, and your business, ranch, or family name will be advertised in all our upcoming promotions.

We will also be having our 200 tourist bags as a free welcome gift for the hunters again this year. If you are interested in having a brochure, coupon, pen, hat, or some type of promotion for your business in the bags please drop off your item at the Chamber office by Thursday, November 5th, 3 P.M. deadline.

We do offer booth space at this great event! If you are currently a chamber member the booth space is free, for non-chamber members the booth fee is \$10. Make sure to reserve your spot early!

Thank you for your ongoing support!

For more information contact Myleah at the Chamber office! Phone 254-725-7251

Cans of Food are Needed for Cancer Walk

You can help feed the hungry and help those battling cancer — all with just one can.

Again this year, the Cross Plains Community Cancer Fund is collecting canned goods to be used at the Cancer Walk on October 10th. The cans will be used in the lighted Luminary Sacks that surround the walking track at dark for the memory walk. After the Cancer Walk, the cans will be divided between the local Food Bank and the Cross Plains Senior Citizens Center.

Your generous donations made last year's event so successful, that we need your help again. We have a collection box set up at Lowe's Market and at the Senior Citizens Center. If you'd like to collect cans at your business, please let Cindy or Dannes know, and we will get a

collection box to you.

Last year, caring citizens from Cross Plains and the surrounding area generously donated hundreds of canned goods to be used at the Cancer Walk. Each can was placed in one of the luminary sacks, a battery-powered tea light sat on the can — and in the dark the luminary sacks created an amazing glow around the CPISD track and football field for the "Memory Walk", the final walk of the Cancer Walk. If you missed this event, make sure you come this year, as the "Memory Walk" is a beautiful and chilling memorial. The tea lights are lit, the overhead lights are turned off and the names of the loved ones who have passed on due to cancer are read aloud.

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October 5

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October 6

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Pamela Thetford
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October 7

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Jackie Palmore
Katie Goins

October 8

Lance Connelly
Chance Connelly
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Terry Lee Havens
Mrs. Hoyt Byrd
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Amy Kate DeBusk
Billy Pope
Tony Apple
Jennifer Canales Cody
Jack Sykes

October 9

Cheyenne Beaty
J.J. Nickerson
Bill Freeman
Kimberly Ashley
Kim (Jones) Sweetman
Mrs. J.T. Meyers
Mrs. Tommy Smith
Dorothea Dillard

Club Courage support group begins new session in October

Hendrick Hospice Care will begin a new session of Club Courage, a six-week support group for children who have suffered a loss, beginning Tuesday, Oct. 8.

Children participate in activities that promote self-esteem, encourage self-healing and provide an outlet for unexpressed emotions. The supportive environment helps each child develop healthy coping skills through a variety of grief exercises. Club Courage is beneficial for children and

teens experiencing loss due to death, divorce, separation, deployment, incarceration and other painful transitions.

The group meets every Tuesday, Oct. 8 - Nov. 10, from 7-8 p.m. at Southern Hills Church of Christ, 3666 Buffalo Gap Road.

Registration is required. For more information or to enroll a child, contact Hendrick Hospice Care at 325-670-6951 or register online at www.hendrickhospice.org/clubcourage.

Need \$\$\$ for the Holidays? Dates Corrected

We are calling all Crafters!

The Cross Plains Public Library will hold their annual Christmas Craft Sale on Friday, Dec. 4, from noon-6:00 p.m. and Saturday, Dec. 5, from 8:00a.m. until 4:00 p.m. at First United Methodist Church in Cross Plains. We are putting out the word now, so that crafters can be working on holiday projects to bring in some extra \$\$\$ for the holidays. A reserved space will be approximately 8'x10' for only \$10, if you contact us before November 1 - after November 1 the cost is \$15. Contact the library at 725-7722 to reserve your space now.

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Jennifer N. Herod, theft by check.

Misdemeanor Minutes

Phillip J. Carter, motion to dismiss to possession of marijuana granted for plea to other case.

Marriage Licenses

Thomas Christopher Savell Jr. and Jessica Sue Allen, both of Cross Plains.

John Wayne Hughes and Leslie Ann Doroshenko, both of Cross Plains.

James Michael Watson and Chrystie Jean Watson, both of Rising Star.

42nd District Court John Weeks, presiding

Civil Minutes

Linda McCartney and Billy Ray McCartney, divorce granted.
Crystal Conway and Sean E. Conway, divorce granted.

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Bridging the Generation Gap

Do you love kids? Do you love to read? Do you want to make a difference in the lives of children? Do your grandchildren live in other towns and you miss the opportunity to read with them? Whatever the circumstances, have we got a deal for you!!!

Melissa Richards, reading teacher at Cross Plains Elementary began a successful program about 3 years ago. Each Thursday, she drives a bus load of 3rd grade boys and girls to the Senior Center at 9:45 and 1:05 and a student reads to an adult. It is an opportunity not only for the children to improve their

abilities to read, but it gives the "older kids" a chance to share knowledge, life experiences and just a little extra love and care for the students.

It is definitely a way to bridge the generation gap and everyone comes out a winner.

If you are interested, join us at 108 N Main St beginning 9/10/15, or call Dannes Turner at 254 725-6521 for more information.

October is Farm to School Month

By Elisha Smith,
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October is National Farm to School month (#F2SMonth). "Farm to School" refers to schools serving local, farm-fresh foods ranging from fruits and veggies to honey and meat.

The more local foods we serve our kids, the better. One-third of U.S. children are obese or overweight, and only 2% of children get the recommended serving of fruits and vegetable each day. Farm to School programs increase students' daily fruit and vegetable consumption significantly.

Moreover, each dollar invested into Farm to School stimulates an additional \$2.16 of local economic activity. In Maine, shifting 1% of consumer expenditures to direct purchasing of local products was shown to increase incomes of Maine farmers by as much as 5%. And each new Farm to School job contributes to the creation of additional 1.67 jobs.

Often schools incorporate cur-

riculum that help students learn about nutrition, agriculture, science, math and the path that food takes from the farm to the table as well as creating experience-based learning opportunities by visiting farms and participating in gardening, recycling, and entrepreneurial programs.

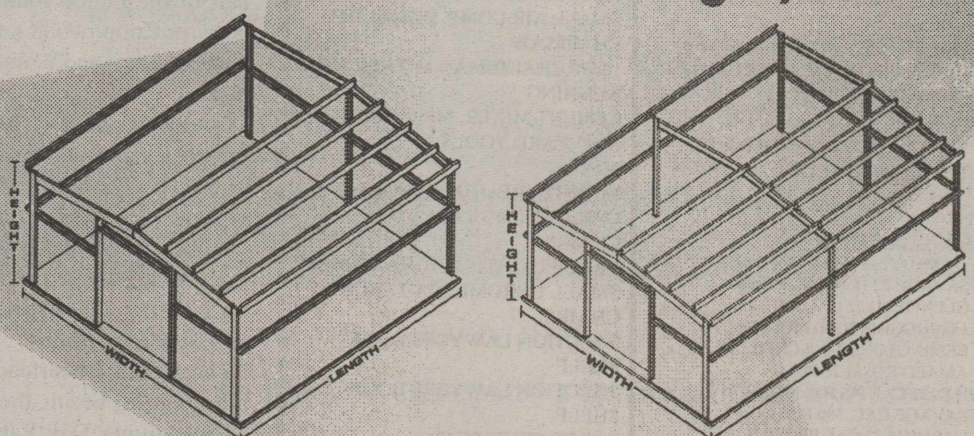
The Farm to School concept is simple: bring tasty, nutritious food from the people who grow it to the school kids that want to eat it. The details involved in making this a reality can be daunting, however. With that in mind the Center for Rural Affairs has put together a *Farm to School Month Starter Kit*, guide and several other resources to help wade through all the complexities. Visit <http://www.cra.org/f2s>.

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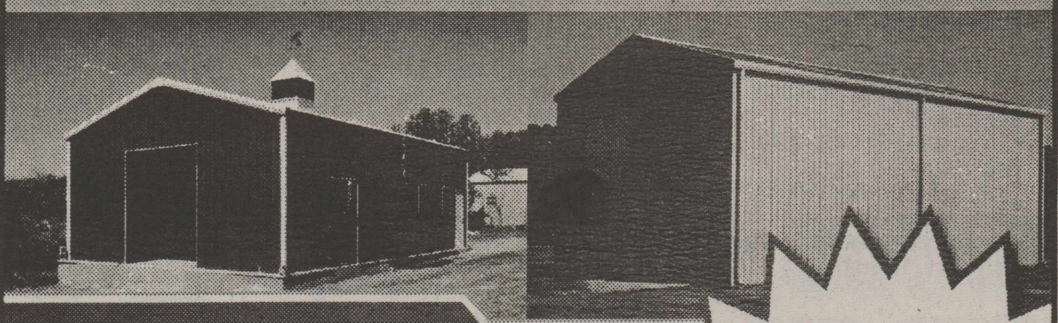
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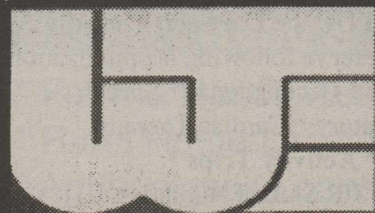
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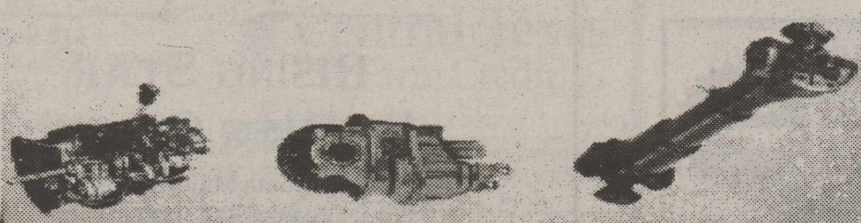
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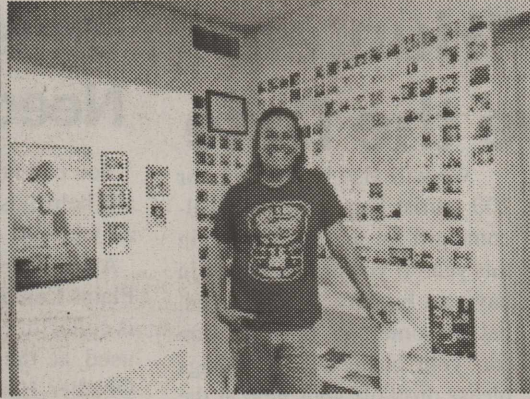


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Joe Sekelsky from Washington state



Peter Blackwell from California

Museum tours continue

September always seems to bring more than usual visitors to town to visit the REH Museum. Last Saturday found two fellows stopping by and two more are scheduled as this goes to print.

Joe Sekelsky from Washington state had been in Texas on business and managed to drive out from Fort Worth between work appointments and his flight back home. He is a Counselor with Fischer Investment of California and Washington. The fantasy stories have always been his favorite among Howard's many genres and he was quite amazed that Howard had such a creative imagination in spite of the lack of literary resources in Cross Plains at that time.

Project Pride has recently received a statuette from the Czech Republic Conan Society in honor of Robert E. Howard. Sekelsky is the first visitor to see the piece on display in the Museum and was quite excited as his grandparents were Czech immigrants. He said that his parents, now in their 90's, would never believe that such a movement was going so strong

in the Czech Republic.

Sekelsky and his wife, a microbiologist with the VA, have a five year old daughter.

Saturday also found Peter Blackwell from CA stopping by for a visit. Also he isn't a real avid reader of Howard's writing, he was fascinated with the museum and how well it has been kept over the years.

Blackwell grew up in TX and had gone to Los Angeles with his band. The band fell apart, but he stayed and got involved with the Hollywood world. After a few bit parts, he landed a bigger role in "Heat," playing opposite Martin Landeau's daughter. A short stint on General Hospital preceded his change of direction to work in the post production video studios.

Initially he did some post audio work for the History and A&E channels.

The video experiences led to his involvement with the Homeland Nation documentary that focuses on the Native Reservations of the US from the

point of view of the reservations inhabitants. Within the borders of the United States lie 310 sovereign nations. During Early-America's turbulent days of westward expansion these nations were established. These nations are the homelands of the first Americans.

Now inhabited by Native men, women and children with a rich past, each has an important story to tell. Each episode addresses the creation story, the Tribe(s) before Western contact, after Western contact and the current reservation via interviews with tribal members. These are their stories in their words as interviewed by Rickey Medlock of Dakota Sioux and Cree descent.

Enter Peter Blackwell in the post production center as he creates original music scoring, foley, SFX, voice over, onscreen scripting, Abiencies, Mastering and more! Blackwell was recognized as Best Producer for the series.

Every day, a new adventure at the Museum.

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Cottonwood News by Beverly Brown

Shirley Byrd of Kellar was here enjoying the Homecoming Festivities last weekend and visiting with her brother, Herman Weaver and wife Naomi, and her sisters Mary Ella Weaver, Billie Kelly and Dena Nickerson.

Joan Edwards Sodowsky passed away on Sunday, September 20th. You may remember Joannie from the Cottonwood Historical Association meetings. She was last here in with her mother, the late Claire Edwards, in 2012 when the Historical Marker was dedicated at the Old Cemetery. Joannie has been ill for sometime. She was buried last Friday at the Moore Memorial Gardens in Arlington. She was part of the Fulton Family from here in Cottonwood and was a niece of Carol and Wallace Bennett.

October's going to be a busy month. It starts out this weekend with the Community-Wide Garage Sale this Saturday, October 3rd. You can pick up a map of the garage sales at 8 a.m. on Saturday at the Methodist Church in Cross Plains.

The CPHS Cheerleaders that are going to be in the Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade will be having a Bake Sale across from Lawrence Farm and Ranch on October 3. Also the proceeds from the Library Book Sale (in the same location) will benefit the Cheerleaders.

The following Saturday, October 10th, is the Cancer Walk on the Cross Plains ISD Football Field. The event starts at 5 p.m. and it's one you won't want to miss. They'll be food, fun, fun for the kids, lots of things to do - and live music some of it provided by Thomas

"Feed a Mind; Feed a Body" Needs Your Help

The Cross Plains Public Library's program, "Feed a Mind; Feed a Body," was created to provide food for students working toward their GED. GED classes start at 5 P.M. and are not over until 9 P.M., so most students don't have time for supper, therefore meals and snacks are being provided by local businesses and patrons. We have plenty of donors for meals, but if you would like to help with snacks, we are always in need of bottled water, juice boxes, chips, cookies, etc. Classes are held every Monday and Tuesday evening at the library. Students can enroll at any time - just show up and someone will be available to get you started. All books and materials are free! There is no excuse for you to put this off any longer.

Thank you to everyone for the overwhelming support we have received in our community - you are helping our students take an important step in turning their dreams into reality.

Save the Date for the MAGI'S BAZAAR

The Altar Society of Our Lady of the Holy Rosary Catholic Church in Cisco will have their 20th annual MAGI'S BAZAAR on Saturday, November 7th, in our Parish Hall. Details for our baked goods, jams and jellies, and hand crafted items, along with "what's for breakfast and lunch", will be announced later. Proceeds benefit care of the sacristy and sanctuary, and upcoming renovations to our 95-year old Church! For now, just save the date, SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 7th, from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.!

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Also at Texas Heritage Bank they are selling chances on a Dallas Cowboys VIP Weekend, Rangers Tickets, a Side of Beef, a Yeti Cooler and the main Cancer Fund raffle which includes a 32 inch television, gift certificates and many other items.

October 10, starting at 9 a.m. Is the Neva Yates Memorial Turkey Roping Event at the Turkey Creek Rodeo Arena. Proceeds benefit the Cancer Walk.

The following Saturday, October 17 is the Annual Sporting Clay Shoot, benefiting the Cottonwood Historical Association and the Cottonwood Volunteer Fire Control.

Saturday, October 17 is also the day for Helping Hands and Hearts in Cross Plains.

Friday, October 23 is the Annual Turkey Supper Night at the Cottonwood Country Musical.

The Fall Festival, presented by the Junior Class of CPHS, is on Saturday, October 24.

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What Are You Reading?

by the Bookworms



Fans of Elvis will enjoy the next installment of Robert Thornhill's Lady Justice Series. In "Lady Justice and the Lost Tapes" a newly-discovered recording session by "The King" stuns the music industry and sends Kansas City cop Walt Williams and his band of senior citizens on more hilarious adventures. This time, he infiltrates a gay bar, works undercover as a transvestite, poses as the Virgin Mary in an outdoor nativity scene, and becomes an Elvis impersonator - all in the line of duty.

Thornhill tells a tale that brings back memories of The Crazy Kats, Eddie Wilson, Bo Diddley and musicians from that era, including many of the early songs from Elvis.

Once again, humor fills Thornhill's book and he had me laughing out loud as inept chef Walt and his equally challenged sous chef - and girlfriend - Maggie raid the pantry to provid-

ing a Thanksgiving meal for their friends: turkey rubbed with Old El Paso seasoning, Wonder bread with onion and lettuce for stuffing, stock made with chicken noodle soup and crab boil, and gravy made with Aunt Jemima Pancake Mix. The result: Taco Bell meets Joe's Crab Shack.

Two new characters are also introduced in this book: Jerry, the comic who thinks he is the next Rodney Dangerfield, and Pastor Bob, who gives direction and insight into Walt's spiritual questions. Both are as colorful as the characters we met in the first novel. And, in the final chapter, Walt poses a question that will change his life forever! Be sure to read these books in order for the best experience.

Note: In January, the Cross Plains Public Library will be celebrate Elvis' birthday with an encore presentation by "Wilvis." Be sure to read future issues of the Cross Plains Review for details.

TxDOT offers free child safety seat inspection to save young lives

Child deaths on Texas roadways up 25 percent in 2014

The Texas Department of Transportation offers free child safety seat checks at the agency's 25 statewide district offices and encourages all caregivers to make an appointment as part of national Child Passenger Safety Week, Sept. 13-19. TxDOT reminds all Texans that properly restraining their children while riding in vehicles is an everyday, year-round responsibility. It's also the law. "We're not going to stop until every child in Texas is buckled into the correct safety seat for their age and size," said TxDOT Executive Director LtGen Joe Weber, USMC (Ret). "It's not only the law, but it's also unacceptable for any child to die or be injured on our roads - especially if those deaths and injuries could have been prevented with the proper use of a safety seat. "In 2014, crashes on Texas roads killed 81 children younger than 8 years of age. In 2013, that number was 67. Texas law requires all children under 8 years old - unless they are taller than 4 feet 9 inches - to be in a child safety seat whenever they ride in a passenger vehicle. Failure to properly restrain a child can result in a ticket up to \$250. The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration reports most parents are confident they have correctly installed their child's safety seat, but 59 percent have not. Common child safety seat errors include: installing the seat

too loosely; putting the harness straps through the wrong slots; leaving harness straps too loose; positioning the chest clip incorrectly; and using the wrong seat belt path. Drivers should refer to their specific child safety seat manufacturer's manual for instructions on how to install the safety seat. The vehicle owner's manual also includes information on the proper placement of the safety seat and proper use of the seat belt or LATCH system. To schedule a free child safety seat check with a nearby TxDOT Traffic Safety Specialist, text the word "seat" and your ZIP code to 876526. Drivers also can visit www.SaveMeWithASeat.com to learn if a child should be in a rear-facing seat, forward-facing seat or booster seat. During Child Passenger Safety Week, two TxDOT safety demonstration vans will travel the state to show caregivers how to choose and install the correct safety seat for their child. The demo vans will appear at safety seat check events and media outlets. For more information, contact TxDOT Media Relations at MediaRelations@txdot.gov or (512) 463-8700. The information contained in this report represents reportable data collected from the Texas Peace Officer's Crash Report (CR-3). This information was received and processed by the department as of Sept. 1, 2015.

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Project Pride to raffle meat at Cancer Walk

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It's a good thing that winners do not have to be present to win as out-of-towners have won packets in the past.

Folks are encouraged to swing by any of the ticket outlets and fork over some money to help this very important cause. Even if you don't have a way to store and use the meat, you can put the Senior Center or Food Pantry on the ticket and the meat will help others.

After all, that's what our Cancer Walk is all about.

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Call for an appointment during these hours at 254-212-9914 or 325-893-4552 in Clyde at other times. We are also now serving Comanche County in Comanche (325-330-3351). Visit www.texasWIC.org for nutritious recipes, health tips and what to bring to your WIC appointment. WIC: We are here for you!

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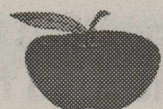
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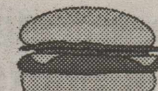
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Cross Plains I.S.D. Weekly Menu October 5- 9, 2015



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LUNCH	Chicken Spaghetti Breadsticks Garden Salad Vegetable Medley Apple slices Milk	Country Fried Steak w/ gravy Mashed potatoes Green beans Roll Strawberry cup Milk	Meat & Cheese Tostadas & salsa Spanish rice Garden salad Refried beans Rosy-Applesauce Milk	Turkey & Cheese Sub Baby carrots w/ranch Seasoned corn Orange smiles Cookie Milk	Beef or Chicken On bun Hamburger garnish Cucumbers Sweet potato fries Sliced peaches Milk

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Cross Plains Community Cancer Walk Shirts are now available

The Cancer Walk is coming up soon on October 10, but the official Cancer Walk shirt is available now! You can be one of the first ones to have this year's shirt! The design, the Hope Anchor and Ribbon, was chosen by the directors of the Cancer Fund and re-created by Teri Brown. The shirt features a bright green anchor and a light purple ribbon. The purple ribbon

signifies "all cancers". The scripture of Hebrews 6:19 surrounds the anchor and ribbon. "We have this hope as an anchor for the soul, firm and secure." Shirts are available in ocean blue, dark purple, charcoal gray and pink. You can see a display of shirts at the Cross Plains Senior Center and at Salmanders.

Annual Hamby Fish Fry

The annual Hamby Fish Fry will be held on Saturday October 3, 2015 from 5:30 pm to 9 pm at the Hamby Activity Center (formerly known as the Hamby Elementary School).

Come on out for some great fried fish with all the trimmings! Dinner plates include a drink, and prices are \$8 for adults and \$4 for 12 and under.

We will also be having a bake

sale, and the building will be open all day Saturday for anyone wanting to donate baked goods for the sale.

We are excited for you to see all of the renovations we have done over the past year, and hope you will come out to visit with old friends, or maybe meet someone new!

Contact Button West 665-1717 for any questions.

CPISD Students Are Set To Read for the Record on October 22nd

Kindergarten and first grade students will once again participate in Jumpstart's premiere national campaign *Read for the Record*, presented in partnership with the Pearson Foundation, thanks to the Cross Plains Public Library.

Read for the Record is one day of the year when millions of individuals come together to celebrate literacy and support Jumpstart in its efforts to promote early childhood education. On Thursday, October 22nd, people across the country will be encouraged to read the children's book "Not Norman: A Goldfish Story" by Kelly Bennett, in support of Jumpstart's mission to work towards the day that every child in America enters school prepared to succeed. Cross Plains' kindergarten and first grade teachers will read the book to their students that day, and thanks to a friend of the library, the Cross Plains Public

Library received funds to purchase a copy of the book for each student to take home.

In addition, staff at the Cross Plains Public Library will be reading the book to preschool children at 4:00 P.M. in the library. The book will be available for checkout also.

In 2006, Jumpstart launched the first *Read for the Record* campaign with the classic story "The Little Engine That Could." Jumpstart began the morning of that campaign day on NBC's *TODAY Show*, which has become a proud tradition. Jumpstart's supporters helped set a new record for reading the same book on the same day, and in the process, created a national forum for concerned citizens to voice their support of early education.

We hope you'll help us break the record by joining us to read "Not Norman: A Goldfish Story" on October 22nd!

Register for 4-H Today!

Callahan County 4-H is registering 4-H members now!

Youth—4-H is for kids of almost any age. If you're in kindergarten, first grade, or second grade, you can be in Clover Kids. From third grade to age 19, you can be in 4-H.

4-H has things everybody can do, in the city or the country or anywhere in between.

Adults—4-H offers a variety of programs, activities and events designed specifically to support and enhance volunteer participation and involvement in kids' lives. They can lead special projects, drive 4-H'ers to activities, make refreshments for meetings, and much more! In fact, your whole family can be part of a lot of 4-H activities! How much does it cost? 4-H

has a participation costs of \$20 (before November 1st of each year) to \$25 (November 1st and after) to join for members third grade to age 19.

For more information or to register please contact the Callahan County Extension Office at (325) 854-5835.

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The Texas A&M University System, U.S. Department of Agriculture, and the County Commissioners Courts of Texas Cooperating.

New location to drop off cans of food needed for the Cancer Walk

Last year, caring citizens from Cross Plains and the surrounding area generously donated hundreds of canned goods to be used at the Cancer Walk. Each can was placed in one of the luminary sacks, a battery-powered tea light sat on the can – and in the dark the luminary sacks created an amazing glow around the CPISD track and football field for the "Memory Walk", the final walk of the Cancer Walk.

If you missed this event, make sure you come this year, as the "Memory Walk" is a beautiful and chilling memorial. The tea lights are lit, the overhead lights are turned off and the names of

the loved ones who have passed on due to cancer are read aloud.

Your generous donations made last year's event so successful, that we need your help again. We are again collecting canned goods for the Cancer Walk that will be held on Saturday, October 10th. We have a collection box set up at Lowe's Market, the Senior Citizens Center, and at Hardwick's Farmers Market. If you'd like to collect cans at your business, please let Cindy or Dannes know, and we will get a collection box to you.

After the Cancer Walk, the canned goods will be donated to the Food Bank and the Senior Citizens Center.

Reminder: New Driver Education Program Now Required For Texas Teens

AUSTIN – The Texas Department of Public Safety is reminding student drivers about the Impact Texas Teen Driver program (ITTD), which went into effect Sept. 1st and is a new requirement for driver license applicants who complete a teen driver education course. The two-hour ITTD program contains several videos that provide awareness about the dangers of distracted driving.

As of September 1, 2015, anyone who takes a teen driver education course – including Parent Taught Driver Education – must also complete the ITTD program, which consists of watching the video and printing out the ITTD completion certificate. ITTD should be completed after the classroom hours and all behind-the-wheel instruction, and it is the last step before taking the driving skills exami-

nation. (Individuals aged 18-24, who choose to complete a teen driver education course, must also complete the ITTD program.)

In order to take the driver skills examination, student drivers must present the ITTD completion certificate along with their driver's education course certificate of completion. The skills examination must be completed within 90 days of date on the ITTD certificate of completion. DPS has been providing information about ITTD when student drivers apply for their learner's permit.

For more information about ITTD or to complete the course, visit <https://impacttexasateen-drivers.dps.texas.gov/>. You can also visit <http://www.dps.texas.gov/DriverLicense/ittdPrm.htm>.

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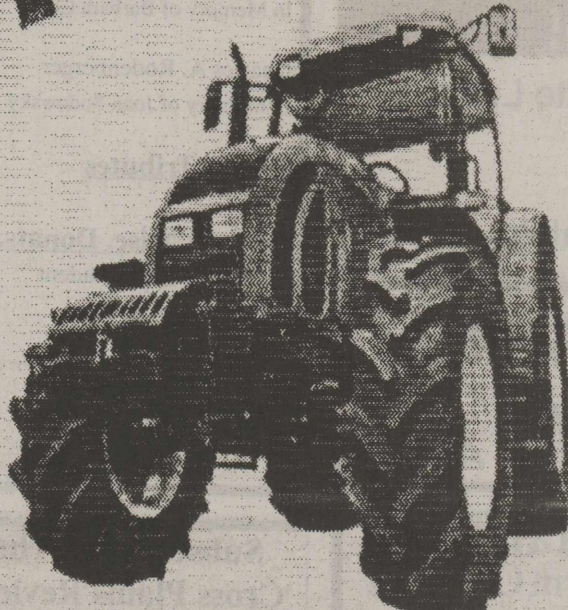
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Grand Ole Oplin October Line-Up

The Grand Ole Oplin invites everyone out each Friday for an evening of good music, good friends and a whole lot of boot scootin. On Oct. 2nd MUDDY CREEK will be joining us playing all of your favorite two-steps and waltzes, on Oct. 9th MIDNIGHT BLUE joins us playing some more of your old favorites, on Oct. 23rd MUDDY CREEK is back playing some more great two-steps and waltzes, and on Oct. 30th MUDDY CREEK will be with us for our Halloween dance (costumes are optional) again

playing all the songs you like to dance to. 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. Our dances begin at 7:30 p.m. and end at 10:30 p.m. Admission to our Friday night dances is \$5.00 per person. Alcohol and smoking is not allowed at any of our community center functions. Everyone is invited to bring a snack to be shared by all during the band's break.

So gather all your friends and family and come on out to the Grand Ole Oplin, we know you'll have a real good time.

SBA Disaster Assistance More than Two Million Loans Approved

WASHINGTON - In the aftermath of floods, earthquakes, hurricanes, tornadoes, power outages, oil spills, droughts and other calamities that have occurred since 1953, the U.S. Small Business Administration has approved more than two million disaster loans to businesses of all sizes, non-profit organizations, homeowners and renters for a total of \$53.8 billion.

"During the past 62 years the SBA has expanded, updated and improved its disaster assistance operation, making it easier for disaster survivors to rebuild their lives and communities," said SBA Administrator Maria Contreras-Sweet. "These two million loans demonstrate the tremendous impact SBA's disaster assistance program has made in terms of saving local jobs and supporting the long-term economic recovery."

SBA disaster loans are the only form of SBA assistance not limited to small businesses. The two million loans approved represent the agency's recovery efforts in the aftermath of the costliest disasters in U.S. history. Those events included: Hurricane Andrew in 1992

(25,992 loans for \$696 million) The Northridge, California earthquake in 1994 (124,262 loans for \$4 billion)

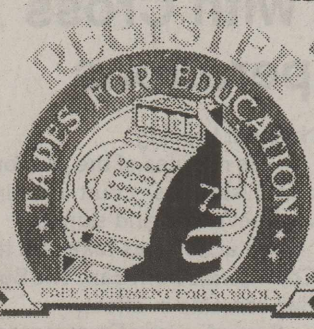
Hurricanes Katrina, Rita and Wilma in 2005 (160,809 loans for \$10.9 billion)

Hurricane Sandy in 2012 (36,913 loans for \$2.5 billion).

The SBA makes low-interest loans to homeowners, renters and non-farm businesses of all sizes. Homeowners may borrow up to \$200,000 to repair or replace damaged real estate. Individuals may borrow up to \$40,000 to cover losses to personal property.

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More information about SBA's disaster assistance program is available at www.sba.gov/disasterassistance.



Save your Lowe's Register Receipts

The Cross Plains ISD is excited to inform you that they are participating in an incredible program that allows them to earn free school equipment. From August 17, 2015-March 31, 2016 they will be able to turn cash register receipts from Lowe's Supermarkets into free valuable and important educational equipment that they would otherwise only dream of getting.

Please stop at Lowe's, save your receipts dated August 17, 2015 - March 31, 2016 and send them into school with your child. Ask your neighbors, friends and coworkers to collect Lowe's register tape too!

You may fill out an entry form and return it to the school with your receipt tapes by January 15, 2016 for a chance to win \$500 Lowe's grocery gift certificate and an iPod Shuffle. Please see complete contest rules at www.registertapesforeducation.com/shoppercontest. Your receipts can be dropped off at the schools deposit box, location of collection boxes are outside the elementary and high school offices, or at the Superintendents office. You may also send your receipts to 700 N. Main St., Cross Plains, Texas 76443.

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Location of this year's show moved to Clyde City Park Keeper's Car Club getting ready for Annual Show

The Keeper's Car Club of Clyde is getting ready to put on their 12th annual car show that will coincide with the Pecan Festival. The show date is Saturday, October 10th. What has changed with the annual show is the site it will be held. This year's show will be at the Clyde City Park rather than its original site at the old Jr. High school off Hunt St.

We expect over 100 cars, trucks, and motorcycles. If you have an old car, truck or motorcycle or just have one you want to put in the show please come and enjoy the fun. Judging will be by the participants. The TOP THIRTY that are chosen will receive a trophy. Also, Lady's Choice, Keeper's Choice and Kid's Choice trophies will be awarded.

The show starts at or around

8:00 a.m. The registration fee is \$25.00 at the show and \$20.00 for pre-entrants.

There will be food for all to purchase which is cooked by the Keeper's and an auction that afternoon. All proceeds from the food and the auction will go to the Backpack for Children Program at Clyde Independent School.

Several local business donated items for the auction and door prizes for the show participants. This year which is also different from previous years, we have only six major sponsors whom we are very thankful. They are Hanner Supercenter-Chevrolet Pontiac GMC Trucks Trailers RV's, KAS Enterprises of Baird, Carrigan Construction-Willie Carrigan of Clyde, J & H Paint-

ing of Clyde, First Bank of Texas-Clyde Branch, and First Financial Bank of Clyde.

We appreciate their support tremendously. Every year there are members that are highlighted on our t-shirts and at the show. The three cars/members chosen this year are Robert and Janis Miller's 1939 Chevy Sedan, John and Vivian Smith's 1952 Willys and Mike and Kelly Nigar's 1966 Ford Fairlane.

Be sure to come out to see these cars and so much more. On behalf of the Keeper's members, we hope you all will attend our show and help us make this the best ever. For more information about the show or to enter call Jill Allen at 325-529-3679 or Larry Musick at 325-893-1744.

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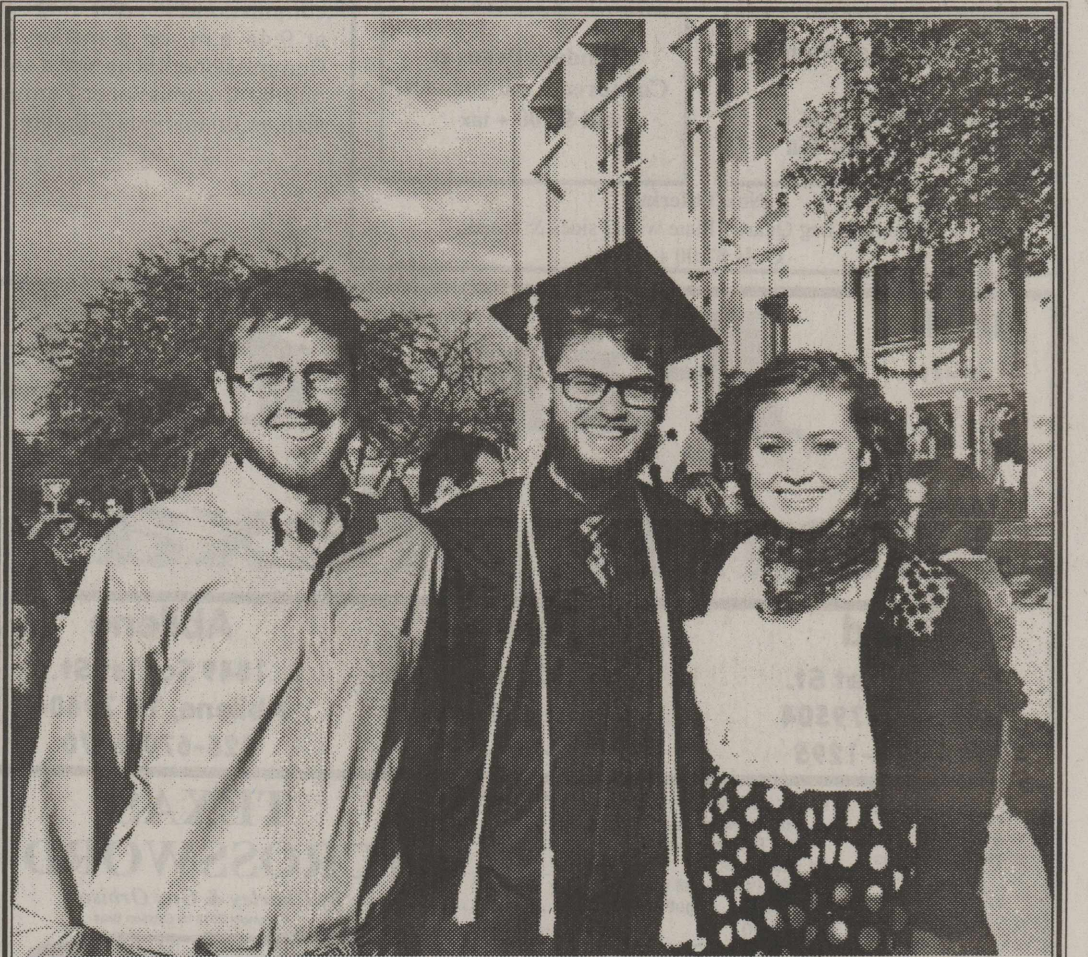
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Congratulations Jacob Estes

Jacob David Estes, son of David and Mindy Estes, grandson of Jerry and Shirley Smith of Cross Plains, Bert and Barbara Estes of Springtown, graduated **Summa Cum Laude** from **Hardin Simmons University** with a **Bachelor of Arts** degree in **Music** with an emphasis in composition and theory.

In January, Jake moved to Brisbane, Australia to complete an internship with the mission organization, YWAM. He has since completed his internship and he is now teaching religion classes in the public elementary schools and classes for 9th grade boys on courage, character and integrity.

Jake has a heart for missions and has travelled to Mexico, China, Australia, Russia, Macedonia, Spain and Africa.

County Commissioners approve agreement with Cross Plains, Baird & Clyde to provide dispatch operations

The Callahan County Commissioners' Court approved an Interlocal Agreement between the cities of Cross Plains, Baird and Clyde to provide dispatching operations through Callahan County.

The commissioners' court took the action Friday, September 25th during a regular meeting of the commissioners' court held at the County Courthouse in Baird.

On a motion by Commissioner Bryan Farmer, and a second by Commissioner Cliff Kirkham, the commissioners voted 5-0 to enter into an Interlocal Agreement between the cities of Cross Plains, Baird and Clyde to provide dispatch operations at the Callahan County Sheriff's Department in Baird.

Other agenda items brought before the commissioners' court included:

—The meeting of the commissioners' court was called to order at 9:34 a.m. by Judge Roger Corn with Commissioner Precinct #1 Harold Hicks, Commissioner Precinct #2 Bryan Farmer, Commissioner Precinct

#3 Tom Windham, Commissioner Precinct #4 Cliff Kirkham, County Treasurer Jan Windham and Deputy Clerk Nancy

Charlton present. Also attending the meeting were: Floyd Darnell, III, Sam Goldsmith, and Billy Hughes with American

First of two public meetings held on Courthouse renovation

The Callahan County Commissioners' Court held a public meeting to inform and to discuss with the public the issuance of certificates of obligation in an aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$1,500,000 for the purpose of paying for improvements to the Callahan County Courthouse in Baird.

The commissioners' court meeting took place at 10:05 a.m. Saturday, September 26th in the District Courtroom of the County Courthouse in Baird.

Callahan County commissioners are looking to obtain \$1,500,000 for (1) renovation and improvements to the Callahan County Courthouse, (2)

renovation of the old county hospital building to house county offices, and (3) the payment of professional services and costs of issuance of the certificates of obligation related thereto.

Present at the public meeting to give information and to answer questions were Jack Clark, Financial Advisor; Gordon Marchant, Komatsu Architecture; Eva Osborne, Texas Historical Commission; and County Judge Roger Corn.

A second public hearing on the renovation project is expected to take place on Tuesday, September 29th, also at the County Courthouse in Baird.

County Commissioners approve 15-year bond to renovate County Courthouse

Callahan County Commissioners voted to approve a 15-year bond being obtained for improvements to be made to the County Courthouse in Baird.

The commissioners' court took

the action Saturday, September 26th during a brief called meeting of the commissioners' court held at the County Courthouse in Baird.

The Texas Historical Commis-

sion will provide a grant in the amount of \$450,000 to renovate the County Courthouse. Renovations will include changing out all the windows in the Courthouse building, and rewiring the entire building. The total cost of the project is \$1,700,000 to \$1,800,000 of which the Texas Historical Commission will pay \$450,000.

On a motion by Commissioner Tom Windham and a second by Commissioner Cliff Kirkham, the commissioners' court voted 5-0 to go with the 15-year bond for the improvements to the County Courthouse.

The meeting of the commissioners' court was called to order at 9:37 a.m. by Judge Roger Corn with Commissioner Precinct #1 Harold Hicks, Commissioner Precinct #2 Bryan Farmer, Commissioner Precinct #3 Tom Windham, Commissioner Precinct #4 Cliff Kirkham, and County Treasurer Jan Windham present.

Commissioners adjourned the commissioners' court meeting at 9:44 a.m. on a motion by Commissioner Hicks and a second by Commissioner Farmer, with an unanimous 5-0 vote.

The Market at Clyde, Saturday, October 10th starting at 10 a.m.

The Second Saturday of each month vendors from the area gather together at The Old Firehouse at Clyde to show and sell their items. This month The Market will be in conjunction with the Clyde Pecan-Bluegrass Festival. Vendors will be set up and ready to sell at 10:00am and some will remain as late as 10:00pm. This will be a great day of community activity for shopping, visiting, dancing and listening to some good music. Admission is free.

The items available at The Market are as varied as are the talents of the crafters, artisans and artist you will get to visit with.

You will find jellies, jams, preserves and other wonderful creations that have been made over the summer in home kitchens. Most of these are made with fruits gathered from the cooks own garden or orchard. Other home cooked items include cookies, sweet breads and many other choices. This is an opportunity to purchase pure comfort food from a real home kitchen. All of these cooks have completed the class required by the Texas Cottage Food Law. These items sell quickly so if you want to stock your shelves for winter with home cooked items arrive early to shop.

The Market also is well known for artisan created soaps, scrubs, and other personal care

products. These are top quality products you would expect to pay much more for in a specialty boutique. Holiday themes will be represented.

Hand crafted wax melts and candles will also be available. These are crafted here in Clyde from the purest ingredients. The season is here for gathering wonderful scents for your home.

Not many venues feature as many gifted wood crafters as are found at The Market at Clyde. There is scroll saw art, hand crafted furniture, yard ornaments, wall hangings, table decorations, toys and much more. Each of these artists also takes personal orders.

There are too many unique items to list but this a few more include fine art on canvas, beautiful paintings on saws, one of a kind jewelry, sewn items, crochet, much, much more.

The second Saturday of each month is a great time to visit and shop with local artisans. This is the time to acquire unique items for yourself, your home or for gifts. For more information visit Facebook page The Market at Clyde, TX. Also watch for additional information and an ad in this paper next week. The Market at Clyde will be featured on local TV stations on Friday October 9; KTAB4u at 4:00pm and on KRBC on the 5:00pm news.

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Design Contest for Kids

Hey, kids 12 and under! You can win a \$25 gift card to Amazon.com by designing the winning center block for our 2015-2016 kids' quilt. This coming year our inter-generational quilt will celebrate the 100th birthday of Ezra Jack Keats (1916-1983), a pioneer in American children's literature. Rules and entry forms are available at the library. Entries will be judged by the staff of Salamander's Apparel. Deadline for entries is Oct.29th. More

than one entry per child is permitted.

Ezra Jack Keats broke the color barrier with the mainstream success of *The Snowy Day*, in 1962. He based the lives of his multiracial characters on his childhood but added loving parents, friends, and pets. He believed that all children should be able to see themselves in the books they love. "If we could see each other exactly as the other is," he wrote, "this would be a different world."

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County Commissioners hold Staff Development Workshop

The Callahan County Commissioners' court held a meeting in the District Courtroom in the County Courthouse in Baird on Tuesday, September 22nd to hold a Staff Development Workshop.

The meeting was called at 12:15 p.m. by County Judge Roger Corn, with Commissioner Precinct #1 Harold Hicks, Commissioner Precinct #2 Bryan Farmer, Commissioner Precinct #3 Tom Windham, Commissioner Precinct #4 Cliff Kirkham, and County Treasurer Jan Windham present.

No action was taken following the Staff Development Workshop.

The commissioners' court meeting was adjourned at 1:08 p.m. on a motion by Commissioner Windham and a second by Commissioner Farmer, with an unanimous 5-0 vote.

Six Week Success

The first six weeks of the 2015-2016 school year are history, and it seems like the entire school is falling into to the regular fall schedule. CPHS Student, Gage Connally says, "The first six weeks have been great. The new principal is the best."

But not every student at Cross Plains High School feels exactly the same as Gage. Jevon Tillery, CPHS student said he's having mixed feelings about his high school classes, and how some were harder than he expected. However, Jevon did state that High school was getting better. CPHS students Ashley Anderson, and Jackilann Shepard agreed along with Jevon by talking about how it was hard at first, but they are overcoming the obstacles of high school. They also commented on how they enjoy being able to socialize more.

All-in-all things are going smoothly at Cross Plains High School. Students and teachers are working hard and enjoying a fresh school year.



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ACROSS

- 1 wolf's long tooth
- 5 TXism: "busy as _____ tender on payday"
- 6 TXism: "holler call _____" (give up)
- 7 "The Golden _____"
- 8 TXism: "wouldn't touch that with _____"
- 17 _____ and Hers
- 18 book by UT prof. David Oshinsky: "Polio: _____ Story"
- 21 Sinatra of film "4 for Texas" (init.)
- 22 British person
- 23 TXism: "loose as _____"
- 24 former channel of the Rio Grande diplomacy
- 29 TXism: "mean _____ old range cow"
- 31 this country singer Walker was "The Tall Texan" (init.)
- 32 TXism: "chew _____" (ponder)
- 34 "_____ and bear it"
- 35 Gulf reptile: _____ turtle
- 36 this Clara was "The Savior of the Alamo"
- 37 "_____ hands"
- 38 when East TX was first settled, the Louisiana Black _____ was common
- 39 heart attack symptoms (2 wds.)
- 41 1st name of actor/singer in 21-across
- 42 this TX Tom had 19 PGA Tour victories

DOWN


- 1 TX blonde television "Angel"
- 2 TXism: "turn _____ fair play"
- 3 in Morris Co. on 67
- 4 Tom _____ County
- 9 absurd event
- 10 TXism: "I'm drawing a bead _____"
- 11 horse morsel
- 12 24th gov. of TX: _____ Campbell
- 13 TXism: "two _____ a pod" (alike)
- 14 Fort Worth's Broadway Baptist has TX's largest pipe _____
- 15 athlete at Ozona High School
- 16 ecological prefix
- 19 TXism: "bland _____ without salt pork"
- 20 Peterbilt moved HQ to Denton from this California town
- 22 Rangers' arena in 1994: "The _____ in Arlington"
- 24 TX ballad singer Roy (init.)
- 25 TXism: "it'll make your hair stand on _____" (scary)
- 26 polite response by TX kid: "Yes _____"
- 27 TXism: "clings like _____ to a dog's ear"
- 28 TXism: "_____ his chips" (die)
- 29 TX Janis Joplin's last band: "Full-_____ Boggie Band"
- 30 ex-Mav Roy Tarpley played for this Greek team
- 33 TXism: "useless as panty _____ on a pig"
- 34 GTT meant "_____ to Texas" in 1800s
- 35 this TX-born Bobby co-founded the "Black Panthers"
- 37 Award won by UT's Aaron Ross in 2006
- 38 "on the _____ of war"
- 40 chicken pen (2 wds.)
- 41 actress Alice of film "Fallen Angel" with TX Linda Darnell
- 44 rodents
- 47 adjudicated
- 49 "_____ Creek" provides waterfalls in "McKinney Falls State Park"

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Canine Flu Spreading in Texas

How to Curb the Contagion

The Canine Influenza has been spreading throughout the continental United States, including Texas, so the American Veterinary Medical Association (AVMA) has some information and tips to help dog owners better understand the virus. "What we need to keep in mind is that humans can physically transmit the virus - which can stay on our clothes for up to 24 hours- so it is important to be careful about interacting with any unknown dogs," says AVMA spokesperson Dr. Aspros. "With proper education, we can do our best to minimize the spread."

What is canine influenza?

Canine influenza (CI), or dog flu, is a highly contagious infection caused by an influenza A subtype H3N8 virus first discovered in 2004.

What are common symptoms of the infection in dogs?

In the mild form, the most common sign is a cough that

persists for 2-3 weeks. However, some dogs can develop signs of severe pneumonia, such as a high-grade fever (104°F-106°F) and faster breathing. Other signs in infected dogs include nasal and/or ocular discharge, sneezing, fatigue, and refusing food.

Is every dog at risk of infection?

All dogs, regardless of breed or age, are susceptible to infection.

How does it spread?

Canine influenza is spread from dog to dog through the air, contaminated objects (kennel surfaces, food and water bowls, collars and leashes), and people interacting with infected and uninfected dogs. On surfaces, the virus is alive and can infect dogs for up to 48 hours, on clothing for 24 hours, and on hands for 12 hours.

Can veterinarians test for canine influenza?

The most reliable and sensitive method for confirmation is

serologic testing. Antibodies to canine influenza virus can appear in blood as early as 7 days after symptoms begin, and the virus may be identified in nasal or pharyngeal swabs during the first 4 days of illness.

Any treatment options?

In May 2009, the USDA approved the first influenza vaccine for dogs. Trials have shown that it can significantly reduce the duration of illness, including the incidence and severity of damage to the lungs. Dog owners should consult with their vet to determine whether the vaccine is appropriate for their dog.

Can canine influenza infect people?

There is no evidence that the virus can be transmitted from dogs to humans.

For more information about canine influenza virus, visit <https://www.avma.org/KB/Resources/Reference/Pages/Canine-Influenza-Backgrounder.aspx>

Buffalo Football is "on the air"

Starting with this season, KATX Radio will be broadcasting real-time, play by play digital streaming of each Buffalo football game. All fans will have to do is head over to KATXradio.com and click on the Cross Plains Buffalo logo to hear the game live with play by play action.

Driver's License Office in Baird is open again

The Driver's License Office in the Callahan County Courthouse in Baird is now OPEN again.

The Baird office will be open on the first, third and fifth Wednesday of each month. Office hours are 9:00 a.m. until 12:00 noon and from 1:00 p.m. until 4:00 p.m.

Enjoy the Majesty of Fall; Join the Arbor Day Foundation in October And Receive 10 Free Autumn Classics Trees

The Arbor Day Foundation will brighten up your fall by offering 10 free autumn classics trees when you join the organization in October.

The free trees are part of the nonprofit Arbor Day Foundation's Trees for America campaign, a program dedicated to environmental stewardship through the planting of trees.

Everyone who joins the Arbor Day Foundation in October will receive 10 free autumn classics or other trees selected for your area: two sugar maples, two red maples, and one each of scarlet oak, sweetgum, northern red oak, silver maple, white flowering dogwood, and Washington hawthorn.

"Members will especially enjoy these trees during the autumn months because they'll add abundant, vibrant color to any yard or landscape for years to come," said Matt Harris, chief

executive of the Arbor Day Foundation.

The trees will be shipped postpaid at the right time for planting, between Nov. 1 and Dec. 10. The 6- to 12-inch trees are guaranteed to grow or they will be replaced free of charge. Planting instructions will be enclosed with each shipment of trees.

To receive 10 free autumn classics, send a \$10 membership contribution to Autumn Classics Trees, Arbor Day Foundation, 100 Arbor Ave., Nebraska City, NE 68410, by October 31, 2015, or join online at arborday.org/october.

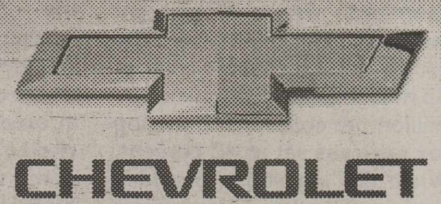
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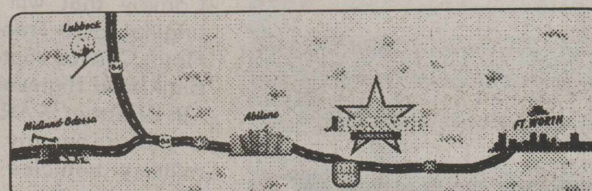
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Death Tax adversely affects domestic economy

By: Robert McKnight, second vice president, Texas and Southwestern Cattle Raisers Association

The federal estate tax, also known as the death tax, is a levy on the transfer of the estate of a deceased property owner. The Texas and Southwestern Cattle Raisers Association (TSCRA) doesn't believe death should ever be a taxable event. The death tax is a topic that makes many ranchers, agricultural producers and landowners cringe. As a seventh-generation rancher who has dealt with this onerous tax on several occasions, I understand how difficult it can be, especially while coping with the loss of a loved one.

In 2012, Congress passed the American Taxpayer Relief Act (ATRA), narrowly avoiding a return to a \$1 million estate tax exemption with a 55 percent tax rate. The ATRA set the estate tax exemption level at \$5 million per individual or \$10 million per couple, and the top tax rate was set at 40 percent. While this legislation provided some protection for ranchers from the estate tax, a full repeal is still needed.

We too often hear stories about how ranchers are adversely impacted by the death tax, however it doesn't only affect ranchers, landowners and small business owners - this tax creates a ripple effect that causes the domestic economy to suffer.

According to the USDA, agriculture is responsible for 1

out of every 7 jobs in Texas and 1 out of every 12 jobs in the country. Each time a rancher or farmer is forced out of business to comply with the death tax, jobs are lost and the monetary output of the agricultural industry is negatively impacted, causing a major gut-punch to the economy.

Some see the death tax as a minor inconvenience for the wealthy, but this is simply not the truth. These individuals don't realize many ranching and farming families are asset-rich and cash-poor. Most of their estate is attributed to the value of the land they own and use to raise cattle and grow food and fiber for millions worldwide. The amount of money a rancher's property is valued at can easily trigger the estate tax. This is before including the worth of the other equipment and infrastructure on the property.

If Uncle Sam comes knocking on the door demanding millions in taxes, many have no other choice but to sell off assets to come up with the cash. Piece by piece, their family's culture and heritage is sold off to pay the unreasonable tax bill. This forces ranchers to lay off skilled employees, leaving them jobless, while in-turn taking away their ability to feed and clothe their family. This costs the federal government more in reduced economic growth than it is as a source of positive tax revenues.

The middle-class takes one of the hardest hits from the estate

tax. A study by the Joint Economic Committee reports that the estate tax hurts economic growth by discouraging savings and small business growth. It is a fact that many communities rely on their local farmers and ranchers to keep small businesses, such as feed stores, grocery stores and restaurants etc. operating. When a ranching or farming operation goes under due to the estate tax, each and every economic sector of a community can be harmfully impacted.

Many studies have indicated that ending the estate tax would actually increase the overall federal tax revenue by encouraging more investment. I know many ranchers, including myself, would rather focus on expanding livestock herds, re-investing in communities by creating jobs and continuing to produce affordable food for consumers.

In addition, we need to be thinking about the next generation. Our country will rely on millennials to continue building the economy. Many young folks are hesitant to take over their family's ranching operations because they worry about inheriting a hefty estate tax along with the property.

Future generations deserve better, and we should always be encouraging them to take over and succeed in the family business. One thing is certain - American ranchers and farmers are hands-down the best producers in the world. They

work tirelessly to provide food and fiber for millions and sacrifice to build and maintain operations to pass along to their children and grandchildren. The death tax puts us at risk of losing a generation of expertise that can't be replaced to efficiently produce food and fiber.

TSCRA will continue to fight for a repeal of this unfair tax on family ranching operations. Until the death tax is fully and finally repealed, TSCRA will support legislation to keep the current 2012 levels in place. We appreciate Reps. Kevin Brady (TX-08) and Mac Thornberry (TX-13) for their efforts in the U.S. House of Representatives to repeal the death tax, and we encourage more members of Congress to follow their lead.

Instead of saddling ranchers, farmers and small businesses with burdensome estate taxes, the federal government has a terrific opportunity to encourage a healthy economy by fully and permanently repealing the death tax.

Robert "Bobby" McKnight, of Fort Davis, Texas, raises registered and commercial Herefords and crossbred cattle on ranch land in Jeff Davis, Brewster, Presidio, Reeves and Crane counties. He became a TSCRA director in 1989, and he currently serves as the TSCRA Second Vice President. He also serves on the El Paso Federal Reserve Bank board of directors.

New Checkoff Website Helps Producers Share Beef Industry News

AUSTIN, TX -The producer-led Texas Beef Checkoff (TBC) is proud to announce the launching of a fully-responsive online resource. The new website texasbeefcheckoff.com allows producers, media and beef industry stakeholders full access to the most up-to-date checkoff information and tools.

"We are excited to have a place for both producers and trade media to connect online," Misty Martin, Ag Communications Manager at TBC said. "The new website highlights the research and education efforts checkoff dollars are funding, as well as quantifies beef promotion efforts for our hard-working ranchers. It's our responsibility to communicate back to the 149,000 beef producers in Texas paying into the program. The website is a tool to make that information more accessible for everyone."

TBC is maximizing outreach through a joint effort between the consumer-facing website txbeef.org and the new producer-focused site. Consumers still have access to all of the great beef recipes and nutritional information, while producers can now find compliance resources like online remittance forms and collection forms organized under one page.

"Our ranchers spend a lot of their time out in the field with their cattle. It's not always easy to sit down in front of a computer," Dave Edmiston, McCulloch County cattleman and TBC board member said. "By using the new website, producers can easily pull up the information they need on their cell phones while they're out in the pasture.

It's really interactive and user-friendly."

The page also acts as a resource for media and beef industry stakeholders. Interested parties can access a full events calendar, press releases, videos, and even sign up for a newsletter. The checkoff-funded outreach effort aims to equip Texas beef producers with information on both the state and national Beef Checkoff Programs.

To learn more about online resources and TBC programs, please visit texasbeefcheckoff.com.

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The Texas Beef Council (TBC) conducts the \$1 per head national checkoff program for Texas beef producers and is also the contractor for the Beef Promotion Research Council of Texas (BPRCT), which administers the \$1 per head Texas state checkoff program. TBC's mission is to increase beef demand in the state through programs of beef promotion, research and education. TBC also helps fund national and international beef checkoff programs to increase marketing opportunities around the globe. The BPRCT's mission is to improve Texas producer profitability by strengthening and expanding beef demand. The TBC and the BPRCT are directed by a 20-member board of cattlemen and women representing the state's beef producers. For more information on this and other checkoff-funded programs, please visit www.TexasBeefCheckoff.com or call (800) 846.4113.

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SSG. Michael C. Murphrey 2nd Annual 5K Run/Walk a huge success & thanks to supporters

The family of SSG. Murphrey would like to take this time to give a truly heartfelt "thank you" to everyone for helping to make the 2nd annual SSG. Michael C. Murphrey 5-K run/walk a huge success.

This year's run/walk had 135 registered runners. What a great event!

Thank you to all the following sponsors: The United States Army Recruiting Center, Cardinal Contractors Inc., RDA

Graphics and Sportswear, Cowboy Candle and the RDA Pro Mart.

Also, the First State Bank of Abilene, Bailey-Howard Funeral Home, Super Clean Car Wash, the UPS Store #5454, Blake Fulenwider CDJ, White Drilling Company, Paul and Mary Summey, First Financial Bank-Clyde, HEB and Sam's Club.

A Very Special "thank you" to SSG. Kevin Smithers and

Clyde's own Rodger Brown for their untiring work in helping to organize the 5K run/walk.

Thank you all for all of your time and energy in helping make this a great and successful event.

We appreciate all who came out to help kick this off and made it a great run/walk.

All proceeds benefit the SSG. Michael C. Murphrey Memorial Scholarship Fund.

Region Prepares to Welcome Historic Military Vehicle Bankhead Highway Convoy

Communities within the Texas Forts Trail Region are preparing to welcome the Military Vehicle Preservation Association's Bankhead Highway convoy as it passes through the region Tuesday, October 6 through Thursday, October 8, 2015. With as many as 65 privately owned Historic Military Vehicles (HMVs), the convoy will include motorcycles, jeeps and large cargo trucks ranging in age from the WWI era to those just released from armed forces inventories. The Military Vehicle Preservation Association will be conducting a 95th Anniversary Convoy that will retrace the original 1920 Transcontinental Motor Convoy route - along the Bankhead Highway.

In 1920 the US ARMY executed a motor convoy of various military vehicles across the country on the newly-formed Bankhead Highway. The Bankhead Highway crossed the state of Texas from Texarkana

to Garland, Fort Worth; on through Mineral Wells, Strawn, Ranger, Eastland, Cisco, Baird, Abilene, Sweetwater; and finally from Midland to Van Horn and El Paso. The Bankhead was the precursor to Highway 80 and Interstate 20.

These Convoys represent the ground forces legacy of the nation, showcasing America's historic military vehicles of many types. Each day's plans have been carefully prepared, including a detailed route map, stopping locations for morning and afternoon breaks as well as lunch and dinner stops and lodging plans for all of the BH'15 teams. The Convoy will have the support of local, county and state law enforcement agencies in many areas along the Convoy route.

Follow the Convoy on line with Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/MVPAConvoy>. Amateur (HAM) Radio operators can follow the

Convoy at www.CONVOYONTHEAIR.org. Route Maps are available; Itinerary Details:

Tuesday, Oct 6, 2015: Start Fort Worth

- Morning Break: Aledo
- Lunch National Vietnam Memorial, Mineral Wells
- Afternoon Break: Thurber
- Evening Break/Overnight: Eastland Football Stadium, Eastland

Wednesday, October 7, 2015: Start Eastland

- Morning Break and Lunch: 12th Armored Museum, Abilene
- Afternoon Break/Overnight: Nolan County Coliseum, Sweetwater

Thursday, October 8, 2015: Start Sweetwater

- Morning Break: West of Colorado City
- Lunch: on road
- Afternoon Break: Hanger 25 Museum, Big Spring
- Overnight: Scharbauer Sports Complex, Midland

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