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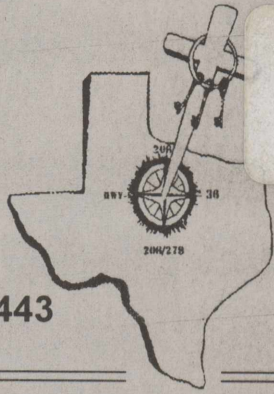
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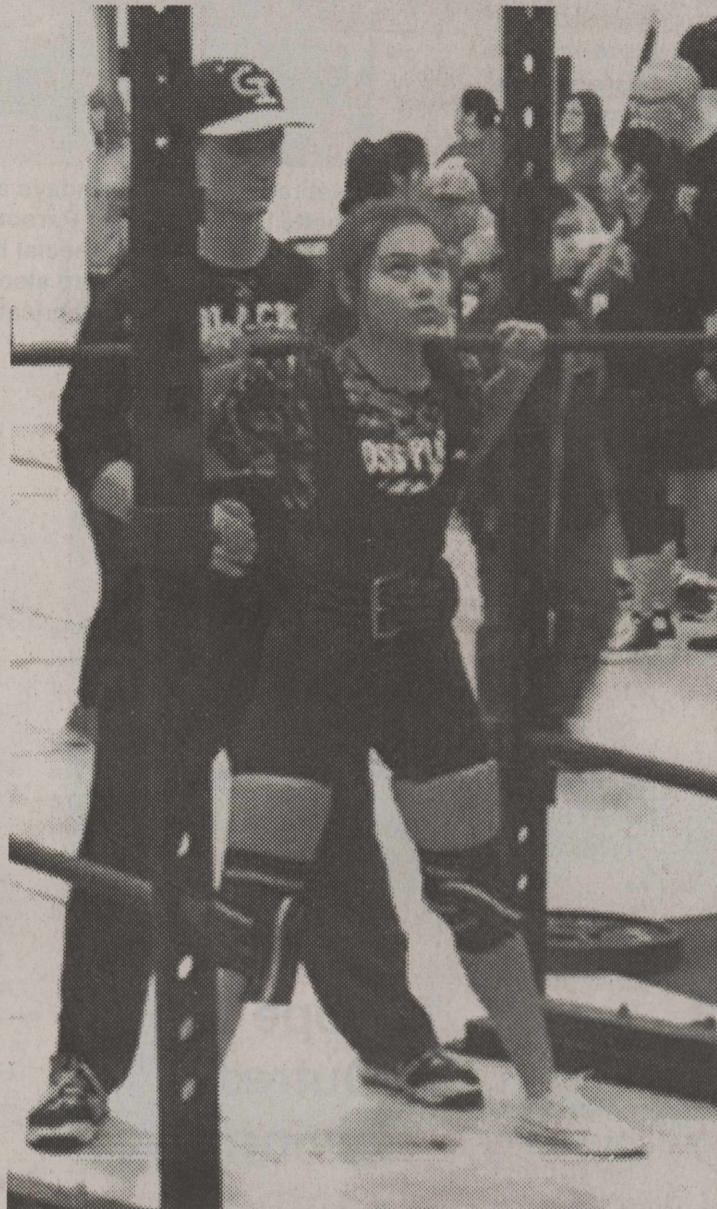


Ribbon Cuttings at Sparks Insurance and Superior Alternator on Thursday, March 23rd

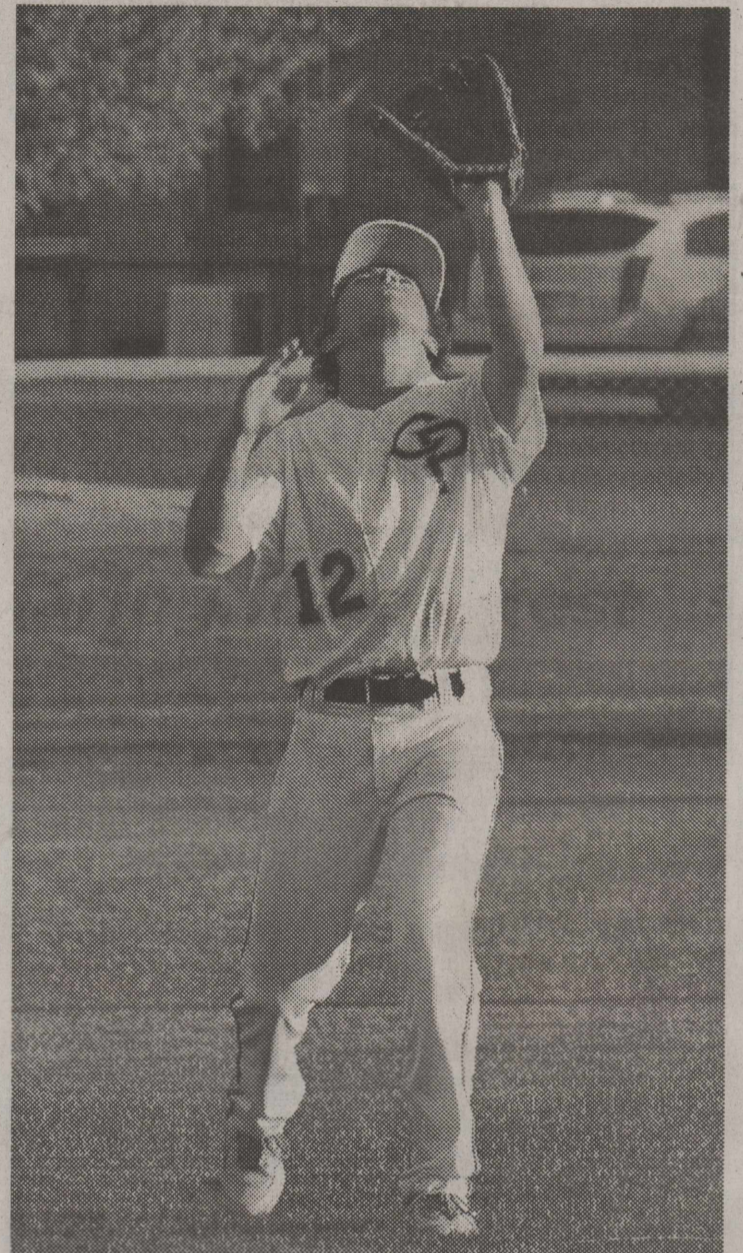
Cross Plains Chamber of Commerce to hold two ribbon cuttings! Ribbon cuttings will take place Thursday, March 23rd. The first ribbon cutting will take place at Sparks Insurance Agency new building at 101 S. Main Street, 12 Noon. The second ribbon cutting will take place at Superior Alternator and Starters located at 348 S. Main St., 12:30pm. The chamber would like to invite the community out to help us welcome this new business.



Addi & Mikki Daliege enjoyed getting ready for the "Puttin on the Ritz" Brunch sponsored by the Cross Plains Library on Saturday.



Cross Plains High School Senior Alexis Mauricio placed 5th at the State Powerlifting Meet. She received a medal in the 114lb class. Her stats: Squat-255, Bench-120, Dead Liff-235; Total: 610. Congratulations, Alexis. All of your hard work has paid off!



Buffaloes Baseball is in full swing. The Buffaloes play here against Winters on Friday at 4:30 p.m. Photos from Friday night's game against May inside.

Riders on the Orphan Train Presented This Saturday, March 25th

Few people today know much about the largest child migration in history. Between 1854 and 1929 over 250,000 orphans and unwanted children were taken out of New York City and given away at train stations across America. Children were sent to every state in the continental United States; the last train went to Sulphur Springs, Texas in 1929. This "placing out" system was originally organized by Methodist minister Charles Loring Brace and the Children's Aid Society of New York. His mission was to rid the streets and overcrowded orphanages of homeless children and provide them with an opportunity to find new homes.

Many of the children were not orphans but "surrendered" by parents too impoverished to keep them. The New York Foundling Hospital, a Catholic organization, also sent out children to be placed in Catholic homes.

This seventy-six year experiment in child relocation is filled with the entire spectrum of human emotion and reveals a great deal about the successes and failures of the American Dream.

Join us at the First United Methodist Church for this FREE NEA Big Read event - Riders on the Orphan Train - on Saturday, March 25, at 7pm. The one-hour multi-media program combines live music by Phillip Lancaster and Alison Moore, video montage with archival photographs and interviews of survivors, and a dramatic reading of the 2012 novel "Riders on the Orphan Train" by award-winning author Alison Moore. Although the program is about children, it is designed to engage audiences of all ages and to inform, inspire and raise awareness about this little-known part of history.

This event is sponsored by the Cross Plains Public Library and the Callahan County Historical Commission and is made possible, in part, by a grant from Humanities Texas, the state affiliate of the National Endowment for the Humanities, and by Texas Heritage Bank. The Historical Commission will be serving dessert for free-will donations following the program. NEA Big Read is a program of the National Endowment for the Arts in partnership with Arts Midwest.

Children's Book Fair on April 4th to Benefit Cross Plains Public Library and Jeremiah 29:11 Project

Want to purchase high quality books for children and teens at reasonable prices? Then join the Cross Plains Public Library for an Osborne Book Fair with Ruby Schaefer on Tuesday, April 4, from 4-6 p.m. If you are not familiar with Osborne books, then you are missing out. Osborne publishes the famous "flashlight books" (we have one available for checkout at the library) and the "That's

Not My ..." books, plus lots of series for kids and teens. Ruby will be there so that you can see the books in person, or you can order online. Either way, your purchases will earn free books for our library. And if you want to help our kids in this summer's Jeremiah 29:11 Project, we will have a list of books for purchase that you can donate. We will even add a bookplate for you!

Senclair Named All-Region and Honorable Mention All-State

Cross Plains High School Senior, Holden Senclair has been named to the Texas Association of Basketball Coaches (TABC) Class A - Region II All-Region Team.

Senclair also has been named to the Texas High School Coaches Association (THSCA) Academic All-State Basketball Honorable Mention Team, an award that goes only to senior athletes.

To be nominated for THSCA Academic All-State Award, a student must be: An athlete, student trainer or manager in good standing with the team, Of good moral character, a senior and have an overall grade point average of 92



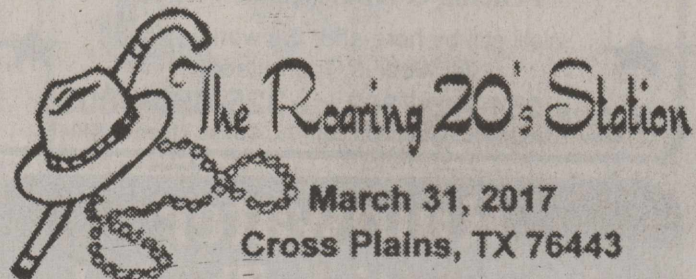
Holden Senclair or above (including courses from grades 9-11 and courses completed from grade 12).

Cottonwood Volunteer Fire Control Group Fish Fry Friday

Friday night, March 24th, is the night! Come to the Cottonwood Volunteer Fire Control Group's annual Fish Fry Fundraiser at the Cottonwood Community Center. Eat a delicious fish or chicken meal, support your local volunteer fire group and as

an added bonus, listen to some good country music.

The meal of fish or chicken, beans, coleslaw, fries, hushpuppies, dessert and a drink will be served from 5 - 7 p.m. See you there!



Roaring 20's Postal Cancellation March 31st

This special Postal Cancellation will be available on March 31, 2017, at the Cross Plains Post Office. The Cross Plains Public Library's NEA Big Read Celebration will culminate with this event.

The drawing for "The Roaring 20's Station" cancellation was

hand drawn by Helen Parson. Mark this date to have your mail hand-cancelled by request only.

NEA Big Read is a program of the National Endowment for the Arts in partnership with Arts Midwest.

The Great Gatsby Book-to-Movie Event on Thursday, March 23rd

The Cross Plains Public Library will host another book-to-movie event featuring "The Great Gatsby" at the library on Thursday, March 23rd at 6:00pm. We will view the 2013 version of the movie starring Leonardo DiCaprio.

Instead of going to Jean's for our discussion, we will be serving Grilled Chicken Caesar Salad (at no cost to attendees) from 5pm - 6pm, then watch the movie and have a discussion. This event is FREE as part of our NEA Big Read celebration and is sponsored by the Institute of Museum and Library Services and the Texas State Library and Archives Commission.

NEA Big Read is a program of the National Endowment for the Arts in partnership with Arts Midwest. Join us for a fun and educational evening. Then, mark your calendar to join

us again on Thursday, March 30, to view the 1949 version of "The Great Gatsby" starring Alan Ladd.

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CPVFD Fish Fry to Be Held on Friday, April 21st

The Cross Plains Volunteer Fire Department will hold their Annual Fish Fry on Friday, April 21st at the First Baptist Church Family Life Center.

The annual event features fried catfish, chicken, beans, coleslaw and hushpuppies prepared by the Cross Plains firefighters.

Mark your calendar now so you don't miss this event.

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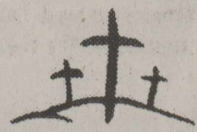
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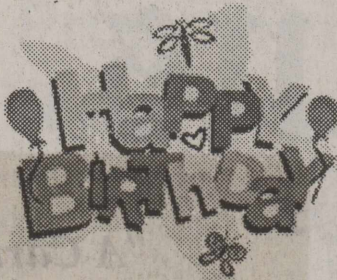
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March 30

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March 31

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Celebrating March Birthdays at the Senior Center - Hannah McKinney, Nora Odom, Janette Dugger, Homer Parson, Rick Terrell, Jarad Fulcher and Roy Hankey. The honorees were given special birthday cakes and presents from Barr Fabrication. Cakes and presents were also delivered to birthday celebrators who receive home delivered meals. Barr Fabrication also furnishes cupcakes each month for everyone at the Senior Center.

3rd 4-H Vet Science Meeting

The 3rd and final Vet Science meeting this year is scheduled for Monday, March 20, 2017 at 7:00 p.m.

The meeting will be conducted at the Callahan County Vet Clinic. 4-H members are encouraged to mark this on your calendars. This will be the final meeting for this year.

If you have any questions call the Extension office at (325) 854-5835.

Hope Outreach giving away clothes for free Saturday

Hope Outreach, put together by Nancie Windham and Courtney Darraugh will be giving away clothes for free March 25th 9am-12pm in the gym of First Baptist Church of Clyde. We have all sizes from newborn to adult clothes and shoes.

Love Fund

has been established at Texas Heritage Bank for Michelle (Shields) Parr to help with medical expenses ^{p21}

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Cottonwood News by Beverly Brown

It looks like Springtime is here. The mesquite trees are budding out and we're looking for the scissor-tales. With temperatures in the 80s on Monday afternoon, it seems like we are skipping spring. Pray for rain.

Cottonwood Volunteer Fire Control Group is planning their Annual Fish Fry for Friday night, March 24th. This will be in conjunction with the Cottonwood Musical on that night. The Fish Fry is at the Community Center.

Ethan Maxwell visited with his dad, James Maxwell, and his grandparents Deana and Joe Terstegge for spring break this

past week. David Weaver of Corpus Christi spent several days this week with his mother, Mary Ella Weaver. His aunt, Billie Kelly also came and visited.

The next dance at Senior Center will be on Monday, April 10th. Everyone has had such a good time at the last two.

Smoke was spotted in Cottonwood on Monday afternoon, but no fire was located. We are still under a burn ban. Don't burn trash or weld. If you see smoke, it's a fire. Call the 911 to reach the Sheriff's Office to report the fire. Their number: 325-854-1444

County Road 484 to close in Cottonwood area March 27th-April 4th

County Road 484 in the Cottonwood area will be closed from FM 2228 to County Road 453 beginning on March 27th through April 7th, according to Callahan County Commissioner

Tom Windham. Commissioner Windham said the bridge crossing over CR 484 will be out of service while repairs are being made to the bridge.

Go Buffaloes!
 Go Buffaloes!

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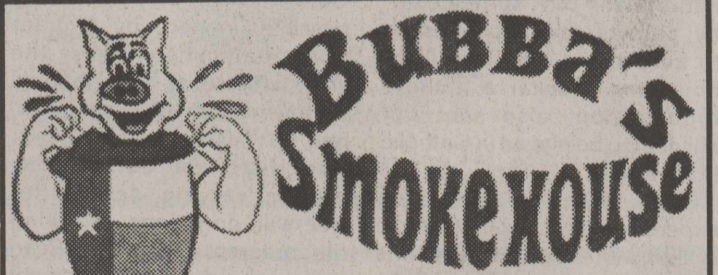
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Last week's Book-to-Movie event featured the 1974 version of "The Great Gatsby." Ten patrons enjoyed the movie and eight journeyed to Jean's Feed Barn for a lively discussion. Such a good time was had, that we decided to watch the 2013 version this Thursday evening at 5:30pm in the library. Everyone is invited to join us. Then, on March 30, we will view the 1949 version for a comparison of each movie vs. the book.



The Library kids had a great time at the spring break Book-to-Movie Event at the Senior Center last week. Popcorn and snacks were provided while the kids enjoyed Willie Wonka and the Chocolate Factory. William Albrecht drew the Golden Ticket - winning the complete set of Roald Dahl books, the DVDs from those books, movie theater snacks and a \$50 certificate to Century 21 Theater in Abilene. The free books and movie were courtesy of a grant from the Institute of Museum and Library Services and the Texas State Library and Archives Commission.

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From the Cross Plains Review - 37 Years Ago March 5, 1980

From the Cross Plains Review... 37 years ago, March 5, 1980.

Boy Scout Troup Members have been busy earning badges: Joe Holland, Brian Ford, Carl Sohns Jr., and Robert Thompson.

Richard Thompson celebrated his 90th Birthday. Some of those present at the dinner: Gladys and Pender Mitchell, Betty Lewis, Danny Lewis, Kathy Jones, Lillian Shelton and Lou Thompson.

Joe Simpson, associate pastor of the First Baptist Church, was ordained to the gospel ministry on Sunday, March 16th, at the First Baptist Church in Leander where his father, Curtis Simpson, is pastor. Joe is a senior at Howard Payne University.

Adult Volleyball Tournament to be held in Cross Plains. Some of the teams playing: Newman's Chicks, Susan Meiron, Margaret Bubenik, Derrick Lounge, Donald Strength, Steve Franke, Leslie Bishop, Evelyn Tyler, Western Auto, Jerry Lewis, E.M.S., Sharon Duffey, Richard Newman, Carl Thomas, Jan Pope, Connie Kirkham, Tony Wyatt, Jim Isbell, Jean McWilliams.

Buffaloes capture 5th place at the Bluebonnet Relays. Tan Flippin, Eddie Jackson, Bill Davis, Duane Hutchins, Eric Robertson, Mike Clark and Robby Bailey are on the track team.

Wilma Lawrence was voted coordinator for the E.M.S.

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Western Diamondback Rattlesnake

Many people are astounded with they learn that Texas has 10 races of rattlesnake that call this state home, and many more are surprised to find out that we have one of the smallest varieties, albeit one with a funny name.

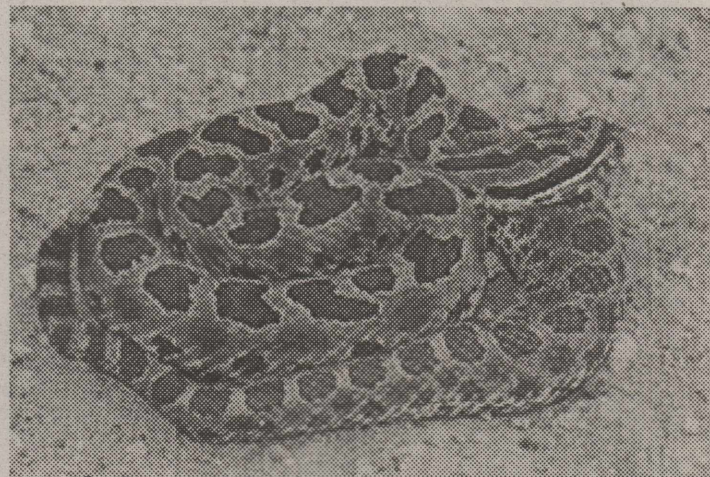
The Desert Massasauga (*Sistrurus catenatus edwardsii*) has a wide-ranging, but

exceptionally localized distribution. It occurs from the extreme southeast corner of Arizona eastward through central and southern New Mexico to western Texas. There are also

disjunct populations in far south Texas and, oddly enough, in 3 localities in the Mexican states of Coahuila, Tamaulipas, and Nuevo Leon. Although it bears the common name of "Desert Massasauga", this diminutive species is actually far more common in the grassland milieus of the Chihuahuan Desert, one of the reasons that it has a fractured distribution. A secondary habitat biome is that of the sandhill regions near Crane and Monahans. It is in these areas that this species is often locally known as the Sidewinder, although this is a misnomer. The TRUE species of rattlesnake known as a Sidewinder (*Crotalus cerastes*) is found much further west in the Sonoran Desert west of the Continental Divide.

Compared to some of the more commonly observed and well-known rattlesnakes, the Desert Massasauga is a true dwarf race. Most adults encountered are less than 1 1/2 feet in total length, including rattle, and the record size was an individual that was just under 2 feet. As such, this species of rattlesnake is arguably the smallest that can be found within the confines of this state.

Desert Massasaugas are not extravagantly colored animals to say the least. The background coloration varies from a light gray to a light tan, and along the spine are large, darker brown blotches that are clearly defined with an outline of white. Directly below these blotches are similarly colored spots that are right above the belly scales. More often not there is a brown "smudge" on the sides that is



Desert Massasauga (*Sistrurus catenatus edwardsii*)

in between the dorsal blotches and the side blotches. It also has a broad, dark line that extends from the eye to the corner of the mouth.

Like other rattlesnakes, the head of this species is distinctly wider than the neck, giving this animal the famous "diamond-shaped" head. The pupils are elliptical, and the rattle is quite tiny and is hard to hear unless one is fairly close to a specimen.

Generally speaking, this species of venomous serpent is surface-active only for a few weeks annually. The first emergence from brumation (not hibernation as the animal does not sleep through the winter, but rather just slows its heart rate and metabolism) usually takes place in late March to early April, depending on the temperatures and the rainfall amounts. It is during this time that it can be found diurnally, particularly in the mornings and late afternoons. Breeding ordinarily takes place during this spring-time surface activity. Desert Massasaugas are oviparous, which means they give birth to living young, and the 5 inch-long neonates (which number from 4 to 6) are typically born in late summer. Other than having a "button" on the end of the tail, they are exact replicas of the adults, and are fully capable of fending for themselves, including having fully functional fangs and venom apparatus'. The only difference in the coloration between adults

and juveniles is the young are adorned with a bright yellow tail. The second activity period is during the late summer early fall when it is more nocturnal in its habits. Interestingly enough, this species is much less heat-tolerant than other rattlesnakes, and during the heat of the summer months, individuals will often remain underground for weeks at a time.

Like other pit-vipers, the Desert Massasauga uses its venom to obtain its prey, which is primarily made up of lizards of various sizes. Adults will occasionally add small rodents and even toads to its diet.

As a rule, Desert Massasaugas appear to be more high-strung and temperamental than the more common Western Diamondback Rattler. However, I am aware of only 2 bites that have been recorded, and both of those were people who placed themselves into position to be bitten; one was in a captive setting and the other was a case of mistaken identity.

Due to its limited surface activity, the risk of encountering a Desert Massasauga is remarkably slim. If such an encounter occurs, remember that this animal, despite its harmful capability, is more afraid of you than you are of it and it would prefer to be left alone. The best course of action is to walk, don't run, in the opposite direction..

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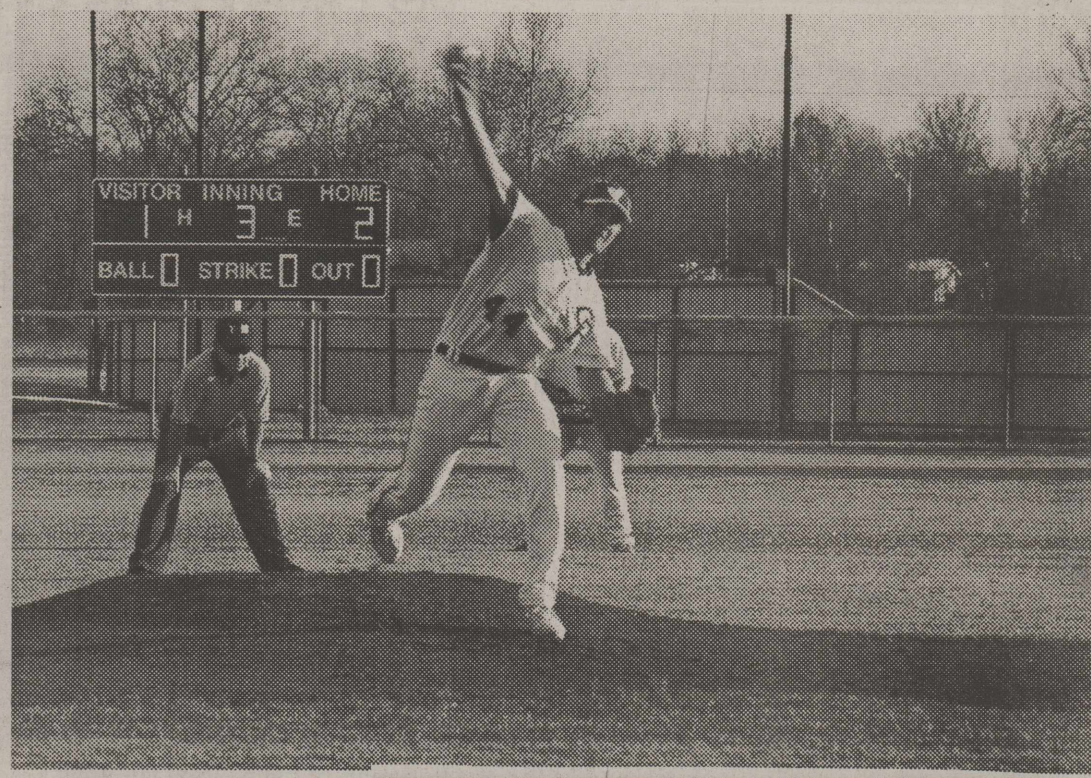
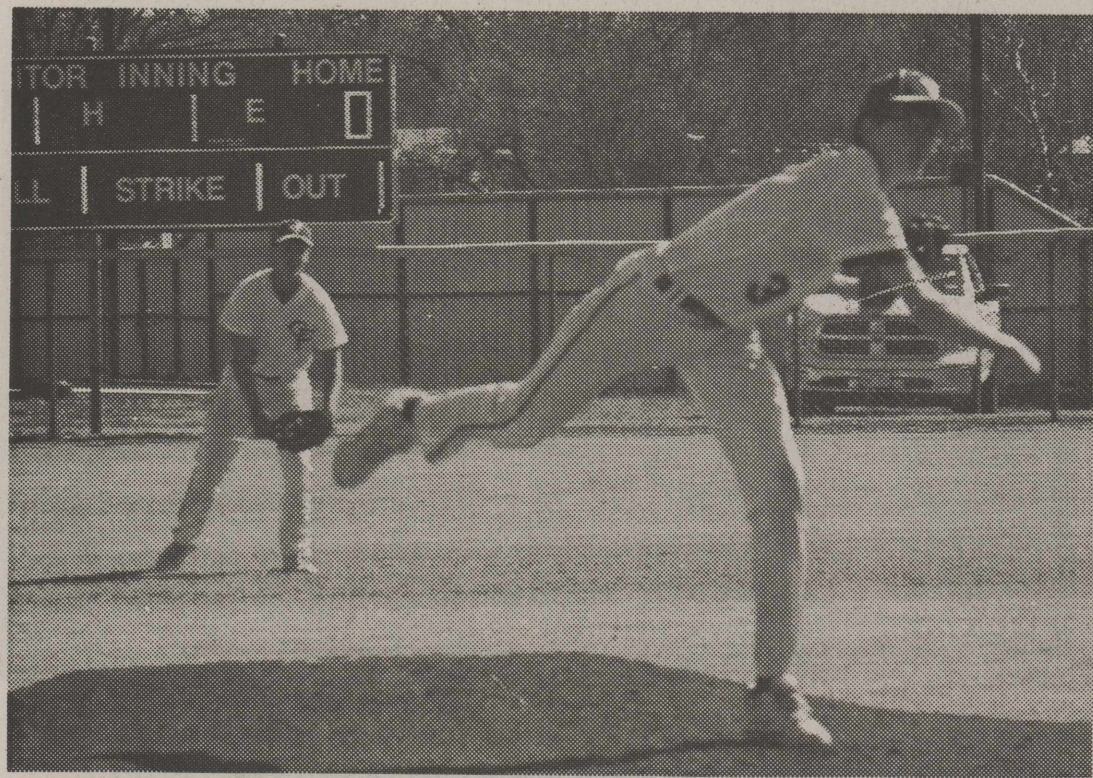
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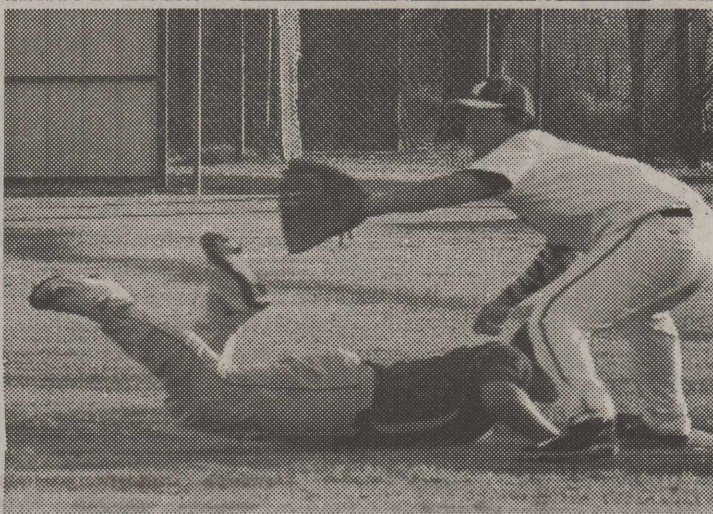
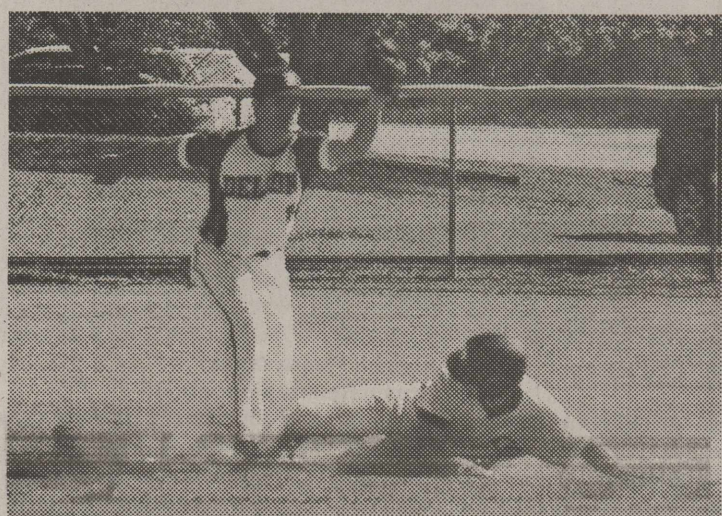
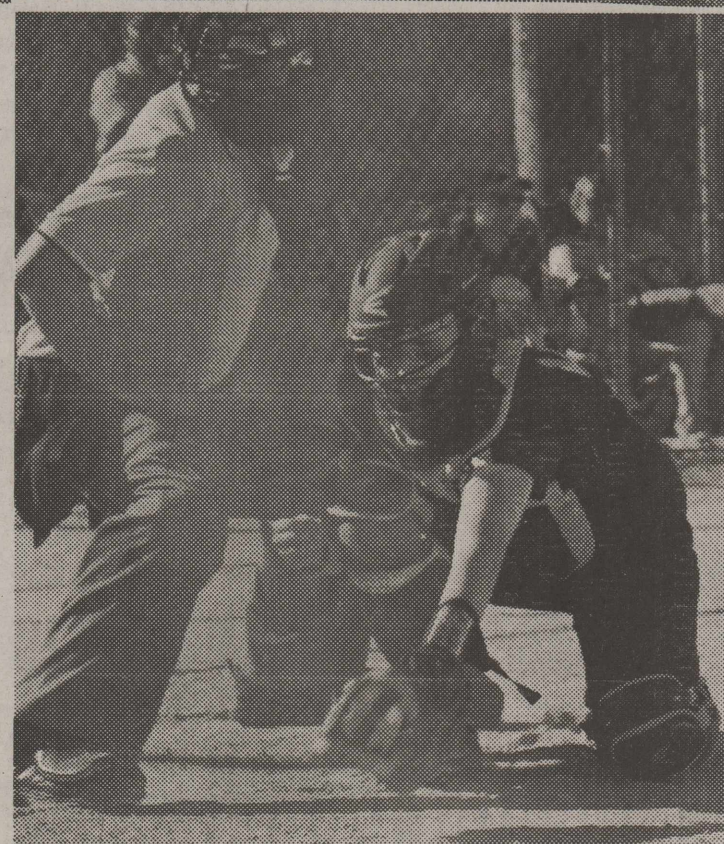
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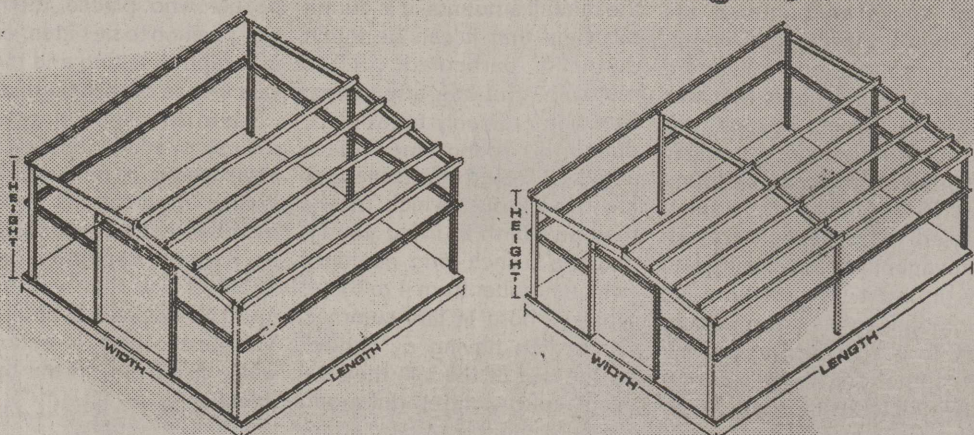


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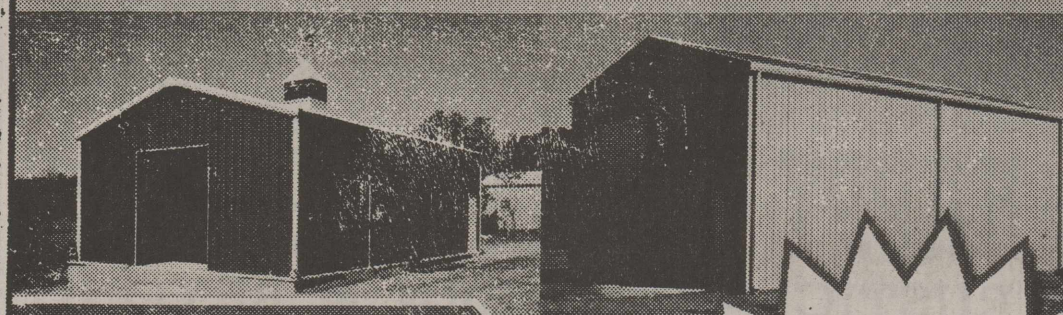
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- March 27 - Monday, Varsity and Junior Varsity, Gorman here, 4:30 p.m. District Game.
- March 31 - Friday, Varsity and Junior Varsity, San Saba here, 4:30 p.m. District Game.
- April 3 - Monday, Varsity and Junior Varsity, at Miles, 4:30 p.m. District Game.
- April 8 - Saturday, Varsity, DeLeon, here, 5:00 p.m. District Game.
- April 11 - Monday, Varsity and JV, May here, 4:30 p.m. District Game.
- April 14 - Friday, Varsity and Junior Varsity, Goldthwaite here, 12:00 p.m. District Game.
- April 18 - Tuesday, Varsity and JV, Winters there, 4:30 p.m. District Game.
- April 22 - Saturday, Varsity, San Saba there, 4:00 p.m. District Game.
- April 25 - Tuesday, Varsity and JV, San Saba there, 4:00 p.m. District Game.
- April 28 - Friday, Varsity, Miles here, 5:00 p.m. District Game.

Track Meet Schedule

- High School:
 - March 23rd - Thursday, Hamilton
 - March 30th - Thursday, Albany
 - April 6th - Thursday, San Saba
 - April 13th - Thursday, May - District Meet.
- Junior High:
 - March 24th - Friday, Hamilton
 - March 30th - Thursday, May - District Meet

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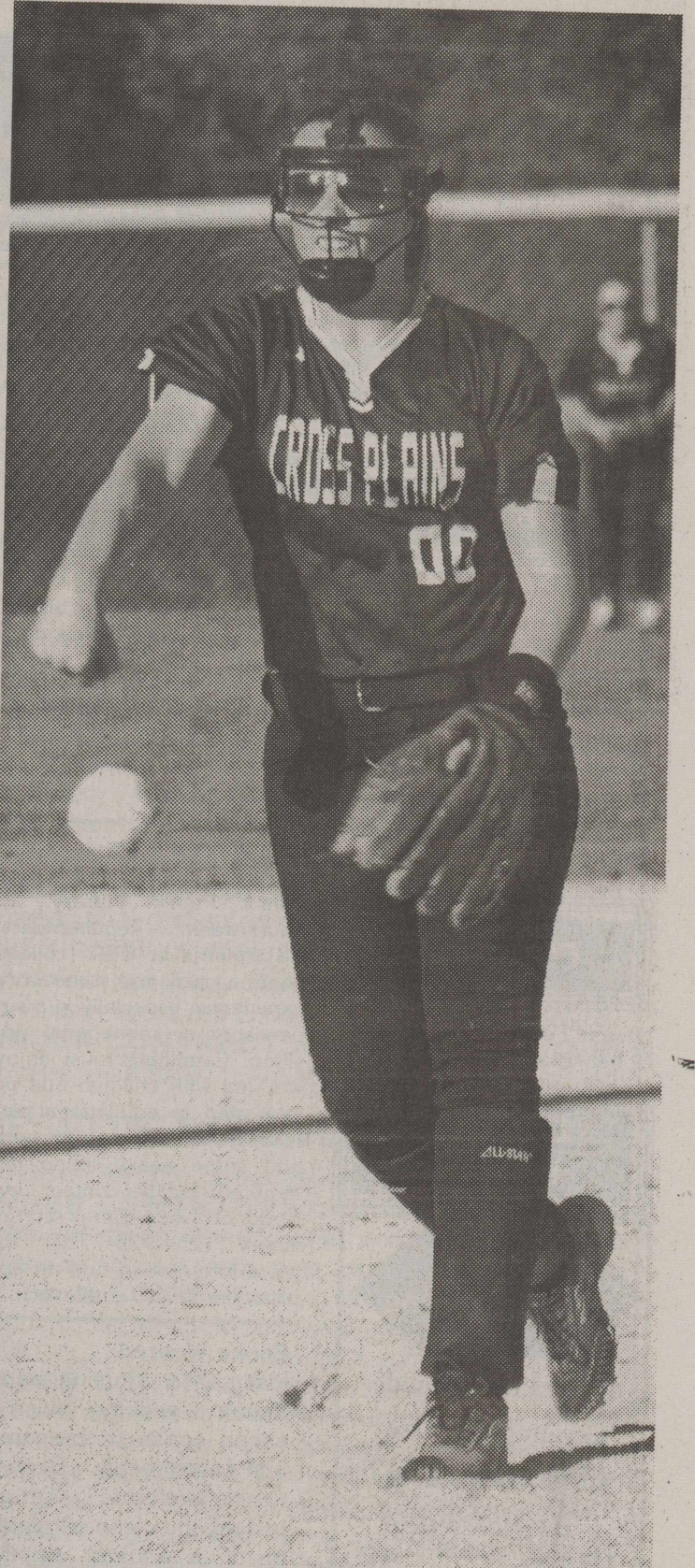
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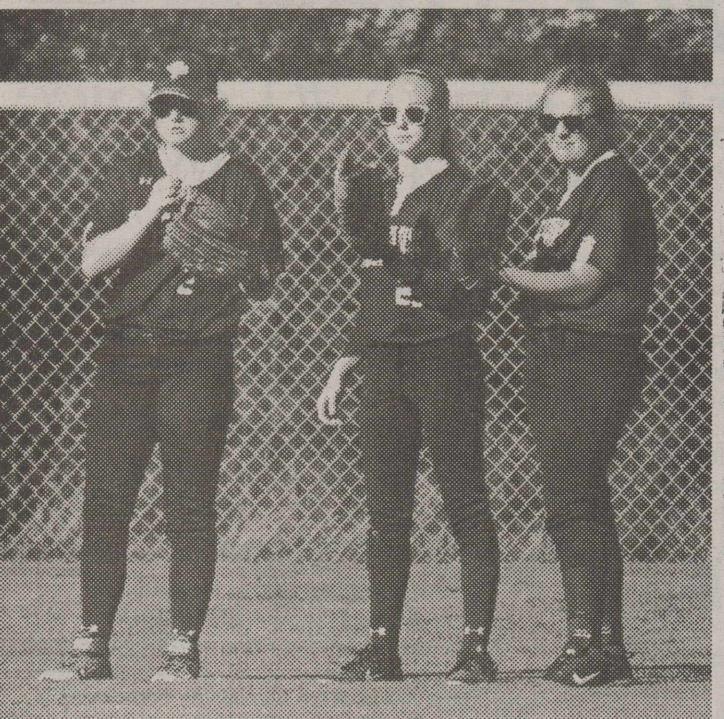
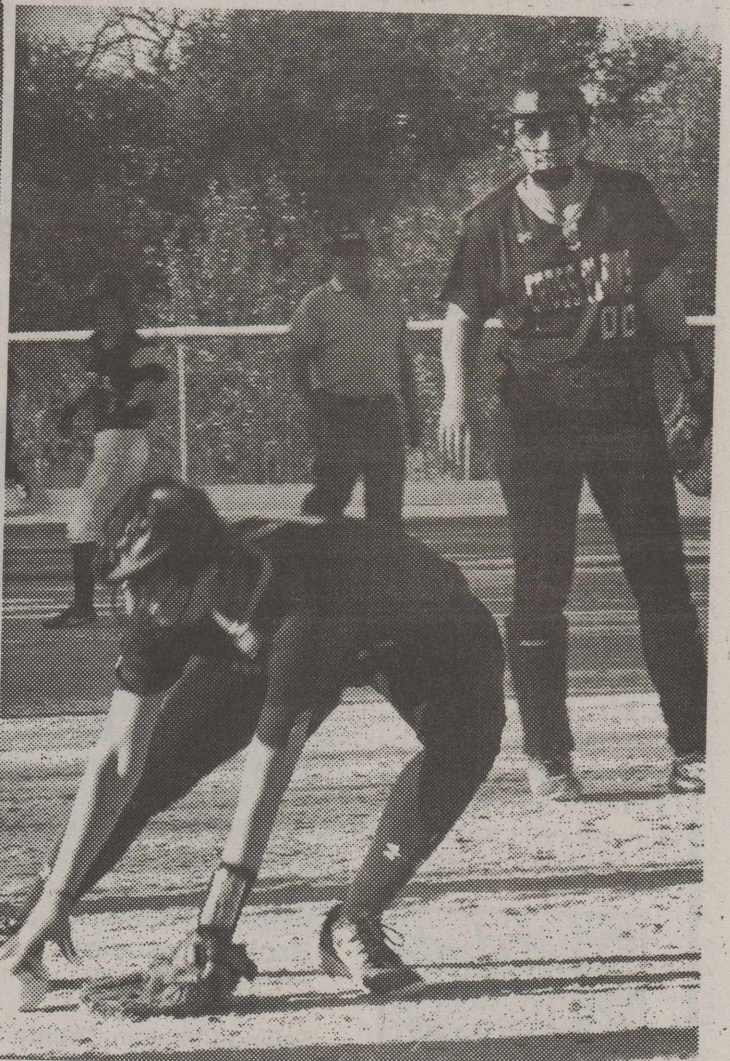
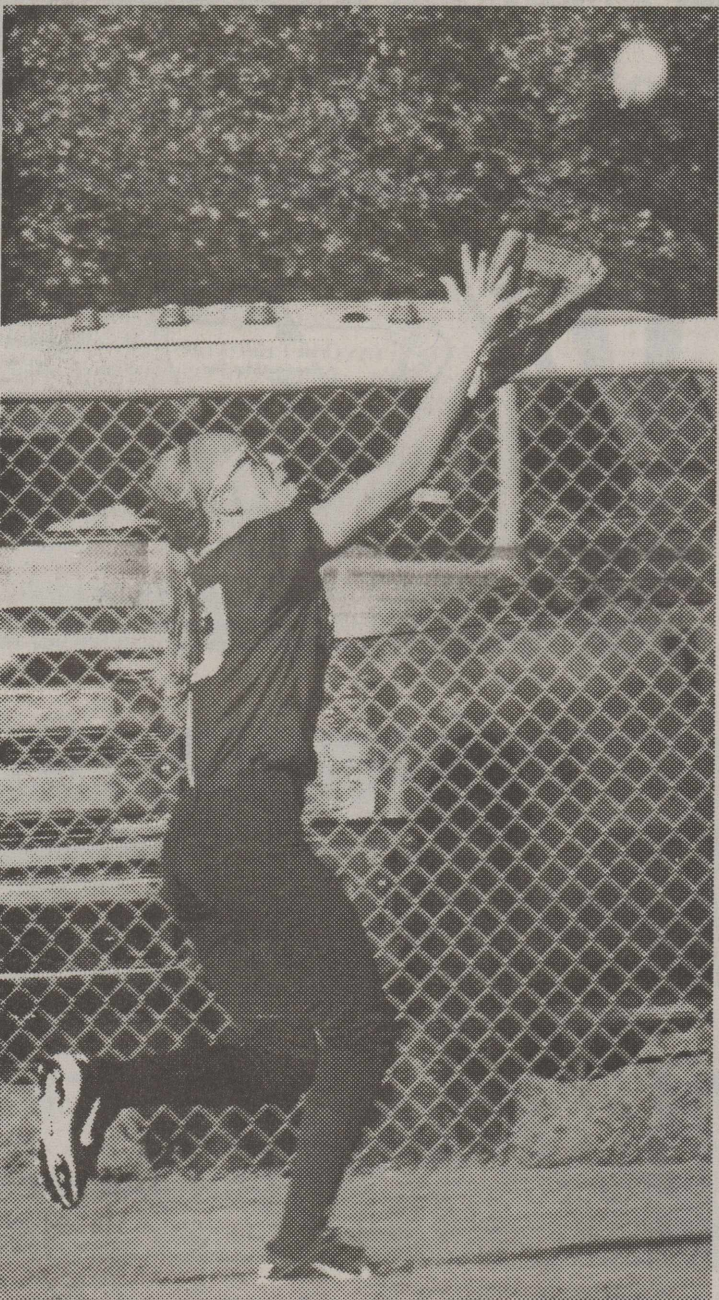
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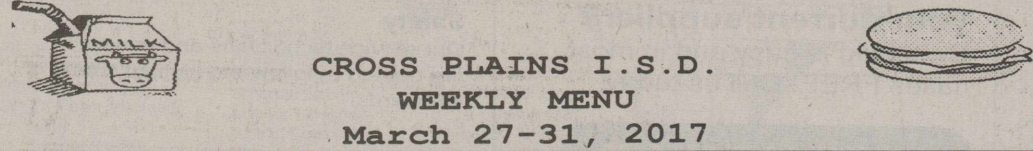
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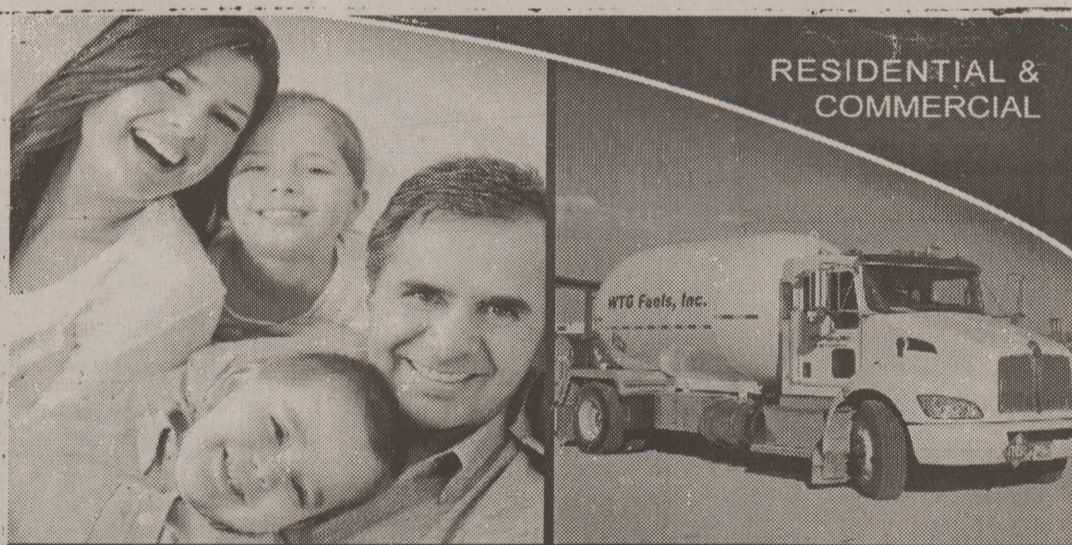
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55 and older is invited to come and have a good time!

Robert E. Howard Days to be Held June 9th-10th

Project Pride announces early plans for the annual Robert E. Howard days to be held on Friday and Saturday, June 9-10 this year. Headquartered at the REH Museum and Pavilion, the event will focus on the recent discoveries of Howard pictures and other new aspects of the total Howard movement. Paul Herman of Houston, noted "rat terrier" of Howard memorabilia, will be the guest of honor and will discuss some of these Howard discoveries.

Herman is known locally for presently the \$1000 scholarship

from the REH Foundation to a graduating Senior each year.

Numerous panel discussions, the Glenn Lord Symposium and the award ceremony for outstanding contributions to the Movement will all be held at the First United Methodist Church. The celebration dinner, hosted by Project Pride, will be once again held in the Community Center.

Stay tuned for developing plans for this event that draws visitors from around the world and all across the USA.

March Mayhem

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Some of our landscapes were weakened by prolonged winds and the hard freeze in mid-December. If you are looking for replacement plants or additional plants to add to your landscape, be sure to join the Cross Plains Garden Club on Friday, April 14 for the Garden Club's Annual Plant Sale. Proceeds from the sale benefit many local organizations including the CP EMS, the CP and neighboring Volunteer Fire Departments, the CP Senior Citizen's Center and support our \$500.00 High

School Scholarship Program.

You will be able to select from a wide assortment of plants; both indoor and outdoor. This year we are adding plants for Easter gift giving in addition to yard art items, pots & planters, vegetables, bulbs, herbs, shrubs, flowering annuals and perennials.

Plan now to join us on Friday, April 14th from 9:00 a.m. through 4:00 p.m. in the park next to the Cross Plains Public Library.

Note: If raining, the event will be held the following Friday.

Barbarian Festival to be Held on Saturday, June 10th

June will be here soon. Plans are being made now for the 19th Annual Barbarian Festival to be held at Treadway Park on Saturday, June 10th.

The festival features live music, an Antique and Classic Car and Truck Show, a Tractor Show, a bounce house for the kids, and lots of food, entertainment and booths.

Mark you calendar now and make plans to be at the festival.



Boys in the 11U Buffaloes Baseball Team and their Coaches sold baked goods outside of Food Plaza on Saturday. Back row, left to right: Billy Wyatt, Jeremy Box, Jayden Box and Donnie Dillard. Front row: Dusty Wyatt, Stryker Dillard and Colton McDaniels.

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Dinner will include brisket, sausage, chicken and all the trimmings for \$8.00 adult and \$5.00 child, 12 and under. Takeouts are available.

A drawing for prizes donated by merchants from Cross Plains, Coleman, Santa Anna, Abilene, Brownwood and Early will be held throughout the evening. Tickets are \$1 each or 6 for \$5.00. You do not have to be present to win.

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Cooking will begin at 9:15 and shortly thereafter at 11 a.m. the Eastland Super Jazz Band will be performing as well as Hardin Simmons Jazz band, Wylie Jazz band, and Eastland Jazz Band

1. The Doc Rockin' Band will start performing around 4:30 to entertain the crowd gathering for dinner.

A new Wild Card Round will be added this year with 4 people from the crowd picked anonymously to judge at 2:30. This is a new category where cooking teams can enter any item other than ribs for a chance to win \$50.00 and a trophy to display. Judging of the St. Louis Style pork ribs will begin at 4 p.m. by the Celebrity Judges selecting the top 5 entries for cash prizes and a trophy.

For more information go to www.ripsribscookoff.com or the Eastland Chamber of Commerce at 254-629-2332.

Market at Clyde and Doggie Pageant April 8th

Market at Clyde is Saturday, April 8, 10AM-4PM, at the old Firehouse on North First Street in down town Clyde. Market at Clyde is a local craft market featuring all hand crafted items.

In conjunction with the craft market a Doggie Pageant will be held this month. Customers are encouraged to bring their dogs in costume. There will be three prizes awarded for the best costume. First prize winner will chose from a hand painted portrait, a custom made leather collar or a 'blingy' collar. Second place will chose one of the other prizes and third place will receive the remaining prize. All dogs must be secured on a leash and attended to by the owner. Judges will see the dogs as they are brought in anytime between 11AM to 2PM and are walked through the Old

Firehouse. Owners and dogs should be there at 3PM when the prizes are awarded. Dogs can be registered as they arrive. Contestants will be judged on costumes only.

Expect to have a fun shopping experience that day with local vendors. There will be lots of wood art, metal art, fine art and paintings, jewelry art, candy arrangements, baked goods, jams, jellies and much more. To see more about what will be offered visit the Facebook page, The Market at Clyde, Texas or the web site.

If you are an artist, home cook, artisan or crafter and you are interested in joining Market at Clyde email themarketatclyde@gmail.com or call 325-518-3939 to learn more and to reserve a booth.

Team Roping set for March 25th at Turkey Creek Rodeo

We welcome and encourage anyone who want to join our club to do so. Fees are \$25 annually per family, this buys you the use of our facilities and the opportunity to input and implement any ideas or suggestions you have for events you are interested in! We have meetings on the fourth Thursday of each month 7pm at the Cross Plains Community Center. We'd love to have you!

2017 promises to be a big year for the rodeo club and everyone who attends the local equestrian events. There will also be a team roping in March on Saturday the 25th so be sure to save these dates and come out and have a great time!

Our summer playday series starts off in June and continues through the first weekend in August. The dates for this five part series are June 10th, June 24th, July 8th, July 22 and August 5th. Participants that compete in at least three of the five are eligible for awesome prizes at our playday banquet. Events offered are barrels, poles, and horsemanship. Fees are \$5 per event. Age groups for the events are determined by the numbers and ages of attendees and we always offer an open class for participants 18yrs and up. Playday clinics will be offered to rodeo club members Friday June 23, and Friday July 7th at 6:00 in the evening. These clinics give playday participants the opportunity to practice their events and learn the patterns for the horsemanship portion of the playday. Dinner is served and desserts. The evening before the last playday of the summer

we hold a family fun night, members are encouraged to come out and ride, play games and participate in a horsemanship clinic offered by Josh King. This will be August 4th at 6:00pm.

Our annual Memorial Ranch Rodeo is also something to look forward to, the date this year is September 9th. This is always an amazing event, local cowboys compete in a doctoring, sorting, branding and the always entertaining wild cow milking. There's mutton busting and Jr and Sr Shetland bronc riding as well.

Then in October we hold the Neva Yates Memorial Team Roping, in honor of one of our founding members that we lost to cancer. The proceeds from this event benefit the Cross Plains Community Cancer Fund, lovely buckles are awarded and it's a big time for a good cause.

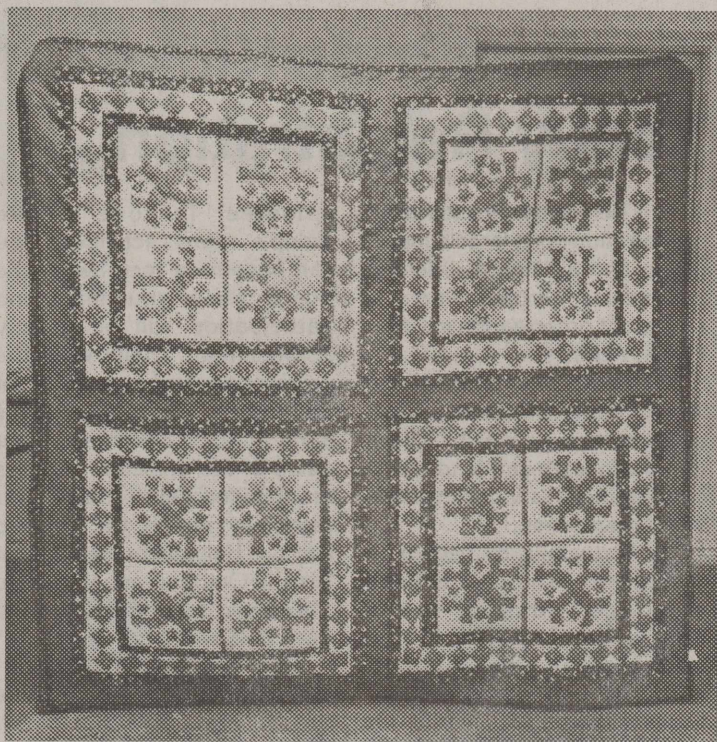
Events and details are subject to change. Watch the local newspapers and like the Turkey Creek Rodeo Club on Facebook as we add events to the calendar and as further details are provided about the events mentioned in this article. You can also call Ginger Bunn at 817-694-7991 or Josh King at 325-669-4509 with questions concerning membership or events. Happy 2017, and let's get riding!!

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The Cross Plains Volunteer Fire Department will be raffling off this beautiful red and blue quilt made by Linda Pringle. Tickets are \$1 each or 6 for \$5 and are available at Texas Heritage Bank, where the quilt is on display. The quilt will be given away at the CPVFD Fish Fry on Friday, April 21st.

Spring is in the Air: Join the Arbor Day Foundation in March and Receive 10 Free Trees

The Arbor Day Foundation is making it easy for everyone to celebrate the arrival of spring by planting trees.

Join the Arbor Day Foundation in March 2017 and receive 10 free white pine trees or 10 white flowering dogwood trees.

"White pine trees or white flowering dogwoods will add beauty to your home throughout the year," said Matt Harris, chief executive of the Arbor Day Foundation. "Dogwoods are known for their showy spring flowers and red berries that attract songbirds during winter. White pine trees are fast-growing landscape trees that will break heavy winds, making them an ideal addition to any yard."

The free trees are part of the nonprofit Foundation's Trees for America campaign.

With planting instructions included, the trees will be shipped at the right time for planting, between March 1 and May 31. The 6- to 12-inch trees are guaranteed

to grow or they will be replaced free of charge.

Arbor Day Foundation members also receive a subscription to Arbor Day, the Foundation's bimonthly publication, and The Tree Book, which contains information about tree planting and care.

To become a member of the Foundation and receive the free trees, send a \$10 contribution to TEN FREE WHITE PINE or 10 FREE DOGWOOD TREES, Arbor Day Foundation, 100 Arbor Avenue, Nebraska City, NE 68410, by March 31, 2017. Or join online at arborday.org/march.



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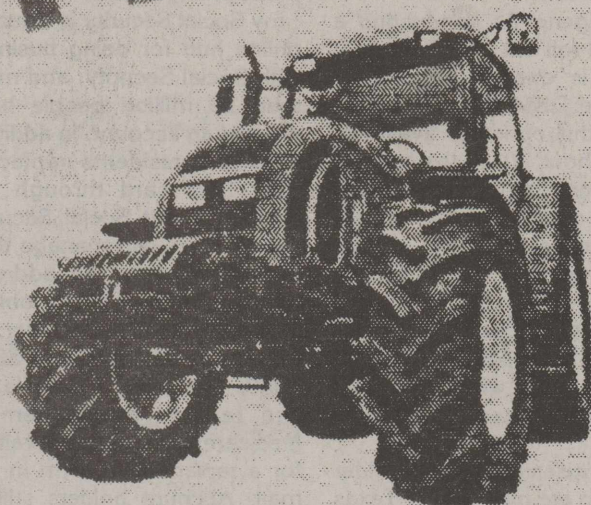


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