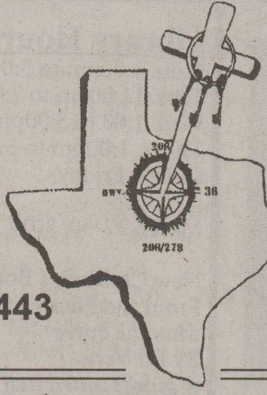


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Cross Plains One-Act Play Wins Area and Advances to Regional - August: Osage County has won again and will be performing back at San Angelo State University this Friday, April 7. Plays will begin at 10:00 AM and curtain time for August Osage County has not yet been determined. Please come to ASU for a great day of theatre and support these hard-working actors and their directors as they try to get to State. Individual awards at Area: Grace Goode: Best Actress; Larson Walker: Best Actor; Hannah Crocket: All-Star Cast; Hannah Cowan: Honorable Mention All-Star Cast; and Jackilann Shepard: Honorable Mention All-Star Cast.

4His Glory Easter Cantata at First Presbyterian Church April 9th at 9 a.m.

The First Presbyterian Church and 4HisGlory will present their Easter Cantata - "Come to the Cross and Remember" on Sunday Morning, April 9th at 9 a.m. at the First Presbyterian Church in Cross Plains. You can come and hear this exciting Easter Performance, then head to your church. The cantata should last about 45 minutes, so you'll have lots of time. 4HisGlory features the talented voices of Mandy Sowell, Matt Sowell, Connie Swift and Rhonda Swift. The First Presbyterian Church is located at 200 Avenue D, Cross Plains.

Easter Cantata at Methodist Church

The Choir at the First United Methodist Church, under the direction of Stacy Montgomery, will present an Easter Cantata at 4:00 p.m. on Sunday, April 9. "Amazing Love, How Can It Be" is an arrangement of traditional and new music composed by the same Russell Mauldin who wrote the Christmas Cantata music that was presented by the choir this past Christmas. Thus you will probably recognize some of the same type of music. Mauldin has taken old favorites such as "Blessed Assurance," "Were You There?" and "The Old Rugged Cross" and blended with newer arrangements like "Jesus Paid it All," "O Praise the Name," and "How Can It Be?" Interspersed are narratives by modern and Biblical characters who share personal testimonies of their faith journeys. The Bell Choir will present a few songs prior to the Cantata; the entire program will take about an hour and will be followed by a reception in the Fellowship Hall. We hope you will invite friends to share in this beautiful Easter message. Feel free to contact FUMC at 725-7377 for more information.



Cross Plains Junior High School Boys are the District Track Champs! Junior High Girls came in second. Results and photos from the district track meet in May are inside.

Pioneer Historical Association Cemetery Board Meeting held Monday, April 10th

The first semi-annual meeting of the Pioneer Historical Association and Cemetery Board will be held at 6:00 p.m., Monday, April 10, 2017, at Jean's Feed Barn in Cross Plains, Texas. 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.



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Pre-Kindergarten and Kindergarten Roundup, Tuesday, April 11th

Cross Plains ISD will be conducting a Pre-Kindergarten and Kindergarten roundup Tuesday, April 11, 2017 for the 2017-2018 school year. There will be two different times that you may attend, 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. and 1:00 - 3:00 p.m. Cross Plains Elementary offers Pre-Kindergarten to all children who will be four years of age on or before September 1, 2017. Pre-Kindergarten will be offered if a sufficient number of four year olds register for the program. It is important that parents participate in the roundup in order to plan classes for 2017-2018. Class sizes for Pre-K may be limited. Students who will be five years of age on or before September 1, 2017 are eligible for Kindergarten. Kindergarten is a full day program. Kindergarten is a basic part of the Cross Plains School system and the service is available to all students. If your child is currently enrolled in Pre-K at Cross Plains Elementary, you will NOT have to go through the screening process. If your child has not been enrolled in Pre-K, and will be attending Kindergarten in the fall, please come to this meeting. Early childhood screening will

Dance at Senior Center Monday, April 10th

Come dance the night away at the Cross Plains Senior Center on Monday, April 10th, starting at 6:30 p.m. Music and entertainment provided by Margie Hartsfield, who also performed at the dances in February and March. Everyone had such a good time then. Snacks and beverage provided. Only \$5 admission. Everyone 55 and older is invited to come and have a good time!



Early Childhood Screening set for Tuesday, April 11th

Cross Plains ISD Early Childhood Screening for children 3-5 years old with a suspected disability will be held on Tuesday, April 11, 2017 from 9:00 a.m. until noon at Cross Plains Elementary School in Cross Plains, TX. Call Cecil or Amy at Comanche Special Services SSA at 254-893-2130 if you ave any questions.

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.



School's Out Easter Break April 14th

Classes will dismiss at 1 p.m. on
Thursday, April 13th, and resume on
Monday, April 17th at regular time.


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

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OBITUARY



Sharon Dillard Lewis
Sharon Lavon Dillard Lewis

Sharon Lavon Lewis, 60, of Midland, passed away on Tuesday, March 28, 2017. The family will receive friends on Thursday, March 30, 2017 from 7:00 pm-9:00 pm at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home in Midland. Funeral services will be held on Friday, March 31, 2017 at 10:00 am at Mid-Cities Community Church in Midland. Burial will follow at Resthaven Memorial Park.

Sharon was born on September 4, 1956 to Eddie Faye and Bobby Dillard in Abilene, TX.

Sharon has left a legacy of unshakable faith in Jesus Christ, unconditional love for people both great and small, and steadfast service to the Body of Christ, The Church. "Eyes on Jesus!" was her anthem and she ever lived to honor that name that is above every name.

She survived by her husband, Jerry Lewis; daughter, Jami Stotts and husband, Camron; and son, Jae Lewis and wife, Lana; grandchildren, Elaine, Owen, Lincoln, Oliver, Miles, Kingston, Lomi, Eva Rose, Hannah, Sophia and Henry; brother, Randy Dillard; sister, Bobra Burkett and husband, Mark.

She is preceded in death by her parents, Eddie Faye and Bobby Dillard.

Pallbearers will be Johnathan Purkey, Chris Kelly, Mark Burkett, Camron Stotts, Christopher Stout, and James Thompson.

Memorials can be donated to The Lewis Memorial Fund at Mid-Cities Community Church, 8700 State Highway 191, Midland, TX 79707.

Arrangements are under the direction of Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home & Crematory of Midland. Online condolences can be made at www.npwelch.com.

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Love Fund

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

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, homecook, artisan or crafter and you are interested in joining Market at Clyde email themarketatsclyde@gmail.com or call 325-518-3939 to learn more and to reserve a booth.

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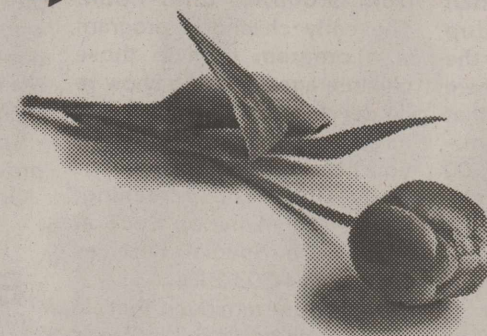
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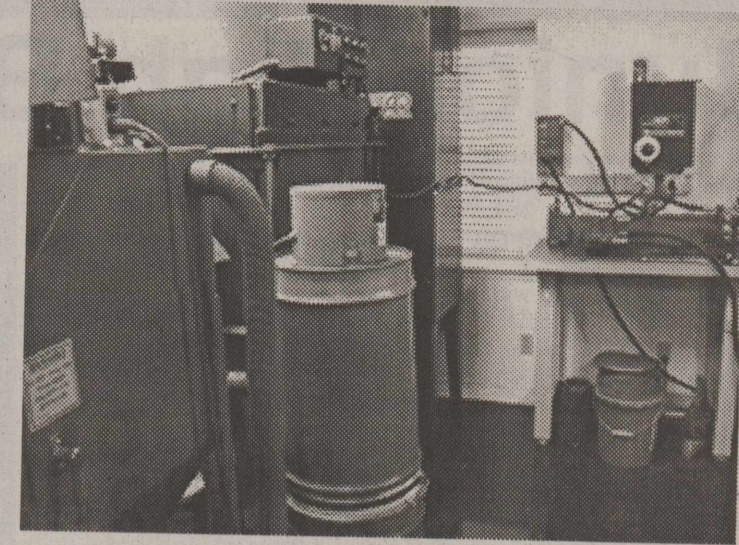
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ACROSS

1 breakfast order: steak and _____

5 Palo _____ Canyon

6 this Mareik is a forward for 2016-17 UT BB team

7 Sam Dyson's goal when he closes a Ranger game

8 TX Kristofferson co-wrote "_____ Day at a Time"

9 title name in UT's original manuscript of Faulkner novel

16 TXism: "_____ lick ol" (none)

18 persons residing in TX prisons

21 extra playing time for the Spurs, Rockets, or Mavericks (abbr.)

22 spoken, not written

23 once a massive TX Panhandle ranch

24 it's raised when a TXn gets an Olympic medal

30 in Young County on U.S. 380

34 Clint of 1984 film "City Heat" with TX Rip Torn (init.)

35 alma mater of former Cowboy kicker Eddie Murray

36 _____ ville, TX is in Fort Bend County

37 TXism: "big frog _____ pond" (VIP)

39 1976 hit for TX Freddy Fender

43 TXism: "stubborn as a long-_____ mule"

DOWN

1 great American inventor, Thomas

2 TX mescal must have this worm in the bottle

3 Trinity County seat

4 TXism: "turn _____ clods" (plow)

9 summer cooler (abbr.)

10 major street in San Antonio or Tyler gentlemen

12 "welcome" rug (2 wds.)

13 TX Judge Roy Bean loved this British actress, Langtry

14 TXism: "dab it _____"

15 TX Jim Lehrer 1966 novel: "Viva _____"

17 TXism: "hard as putting up _____ windstorm"

19 rock fungi

20 war horses

24 Austin univer.

25 _____ Ross State University in Alpine

26 tumbling movement

27 Port _____ TX in Calhoun County used to hit golf ball a short or medium distance (2 wds.)

29 TXism: "treat it with kid gloves"

31 get "hitched"

32 TXism: "big biscuit in the pan"

33 oil-based paints

38 mesquite & pecan

40 "Rawhide" trail boss, Favor

41 TX Willie's "Farm Aid _____" was in Lincoln in 1987

42 TXn who belongs to gun rights group (2 wds.)

48 RBI is this for Astro and Ranger hitters

50 TXism for "not _____ and caboodle"

56 former VP candidate, Palin

57 TXism: "stretch your lips"

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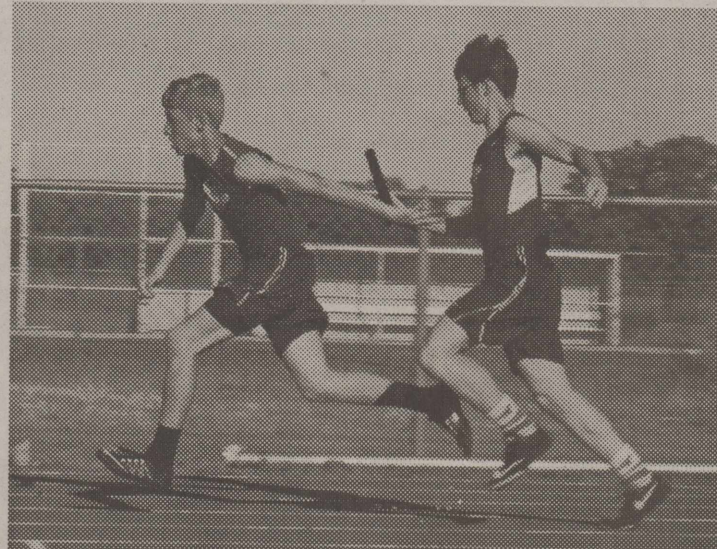
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Junior High Boys Win District in Track

The Cross Plains Junior High School Boys won the May Invitational Track Meet on March 30.

Cross Plains won with 237 points. Other schools at the meet: May, 115 points; Baird, 108 points; Eula, 52 points; Rising Star, 44 points; Santa Anna, 18 points and Panther Creek, 10 points.

How Cross Plains Junior High boys fared in individual event results:

2400 Meter Run - McKinney, 1st place.

100 Meter Run - Horan, 1st place; Wheeler, 3rd; Baker, 4th.

100 Meter Hurdles - Hernandez, 1st place.

300 Meter Hurdles - McWilliams, 1st place; Hernandez, 2nd.

400 Meter Relay - Cross Plains, 1st place.

800 Meter Relay - Cross Plains, 1st place.

1600 Meter Relay - Cross

Plains, 1st place.

1600 Meter Run - Barker, 4th place; Koenig, 5th; Carey, 6th.

800 Meter Run - McKinney, 2nd place.

400 Meter Run - Allen, 4th place.

High Jump - Odom, 1st place.

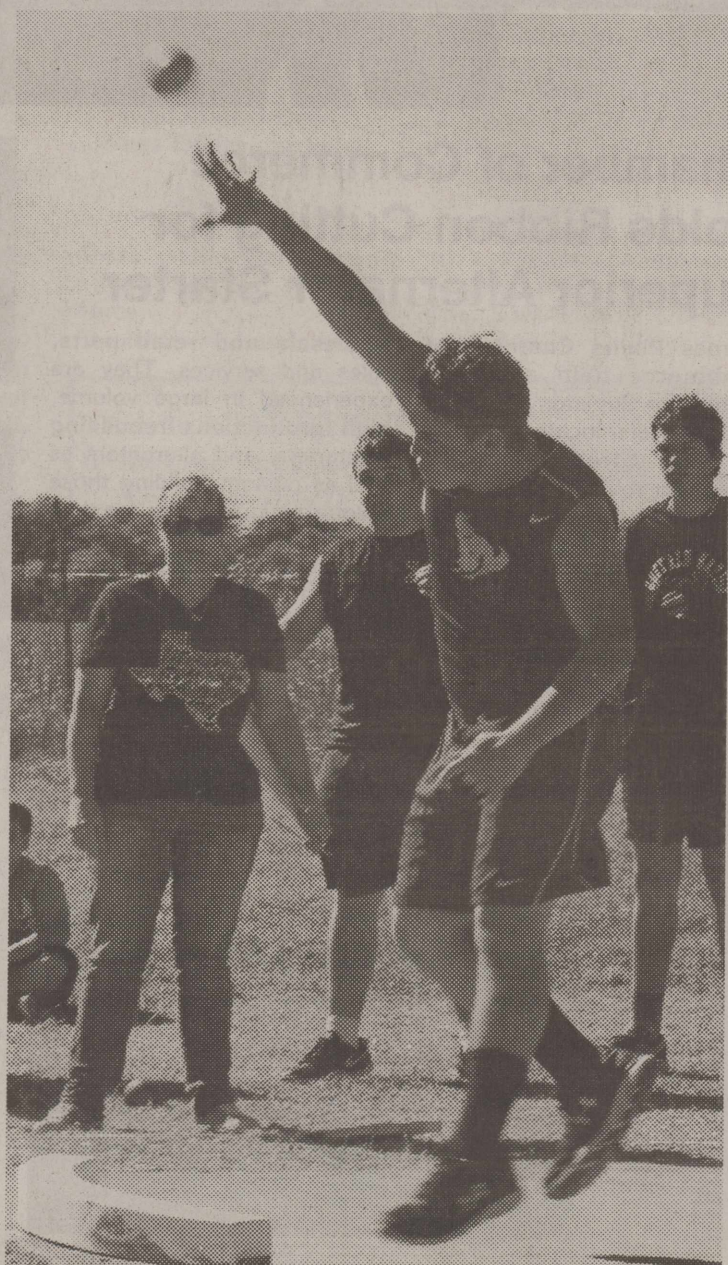
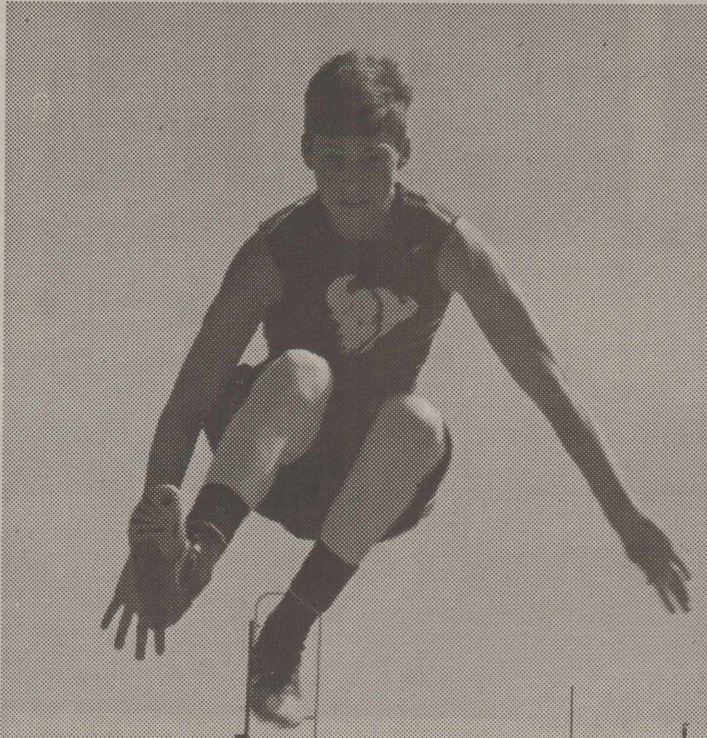
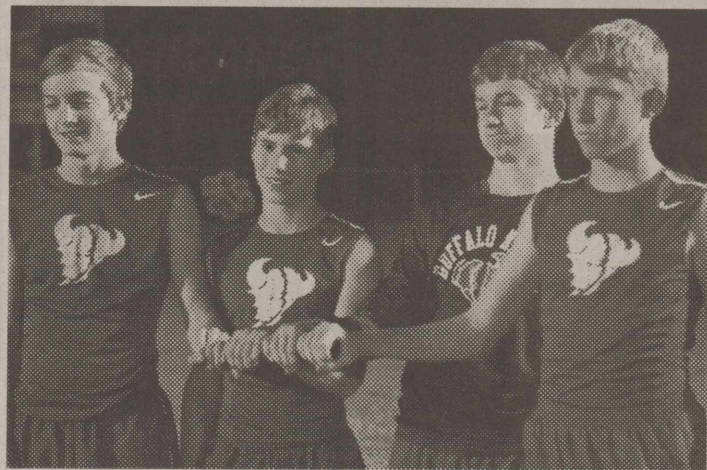
Long Jump - Allen, 1st place; Horan, 2nd; Odom, 3rd.

Triple Jump - Allen, 1st place; Horan, 3rd; Hernandez, 4th.

Discus - Thomas, 3rd place; Baker, 5th.

Shot Put - Baker, 3rd place; Thomas, 5th.

Pole Vault - McWilliams, 1st place; Koenig, 3rd; McKinney, 5th.



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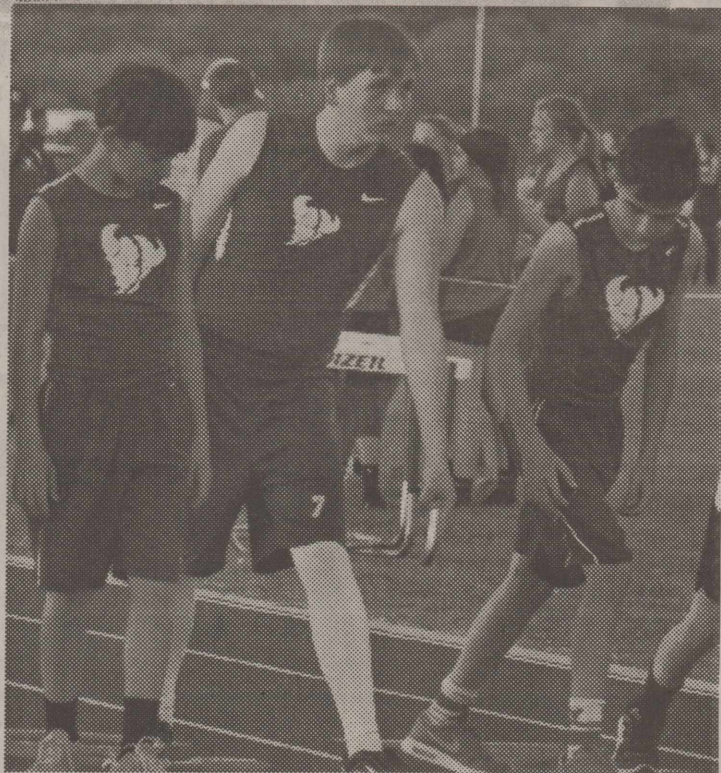
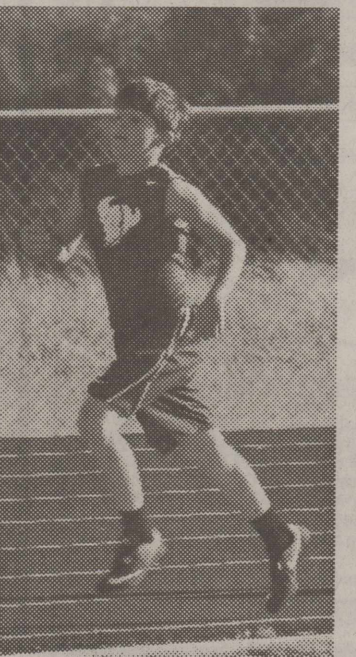
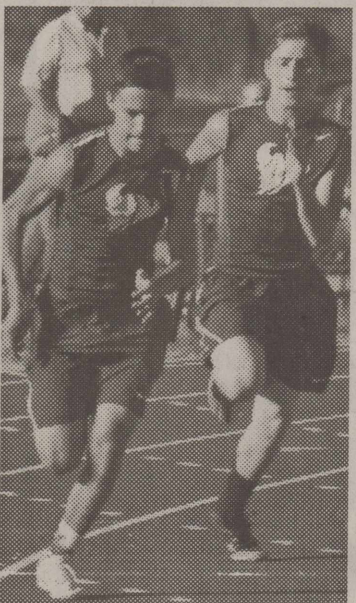
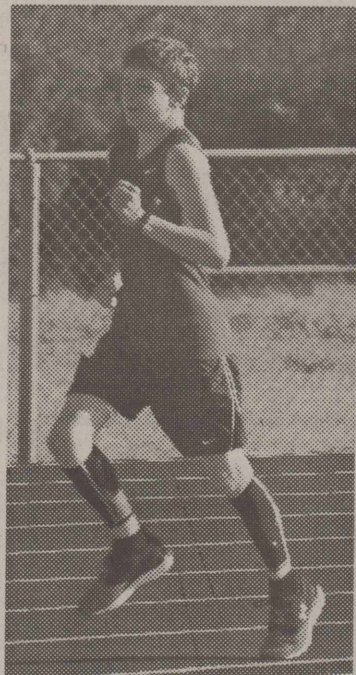
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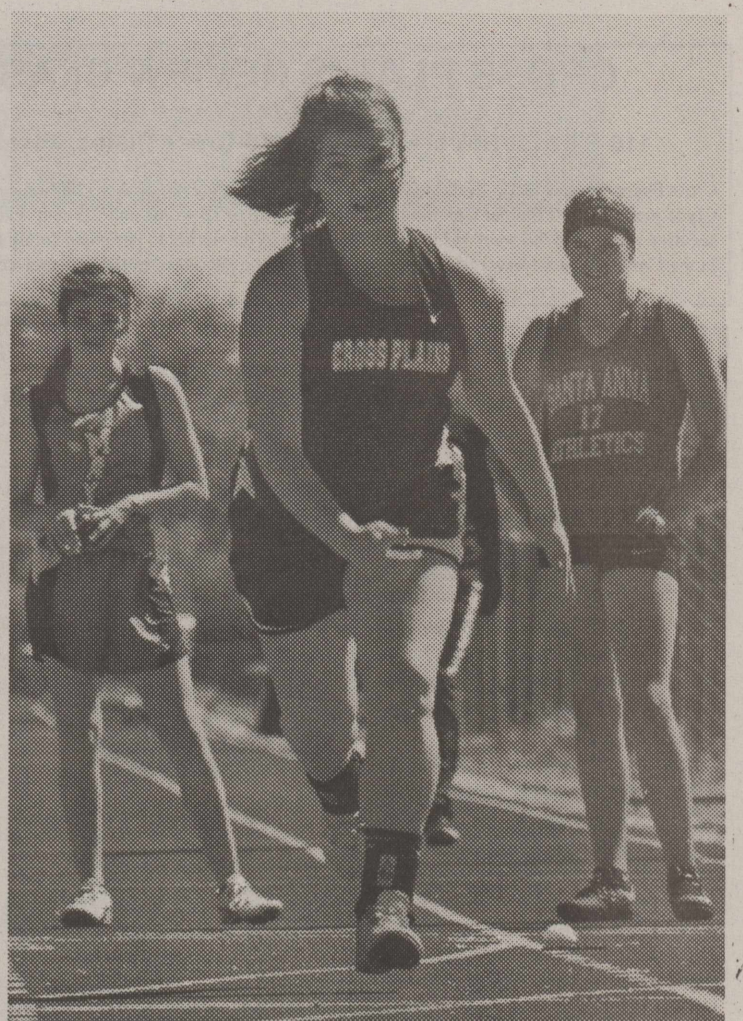
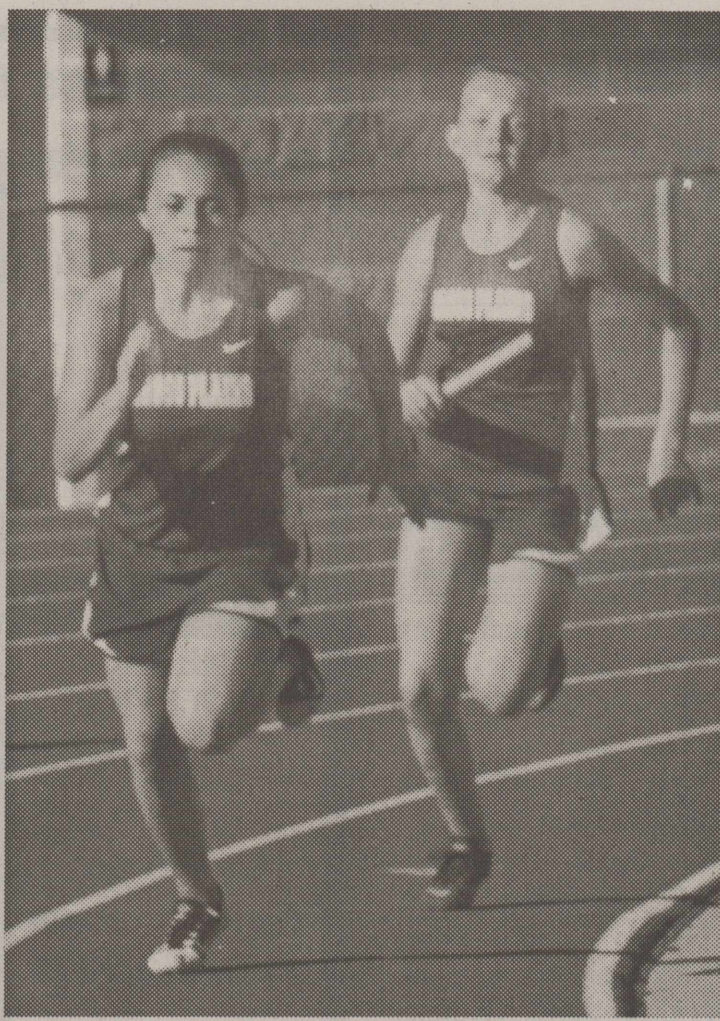
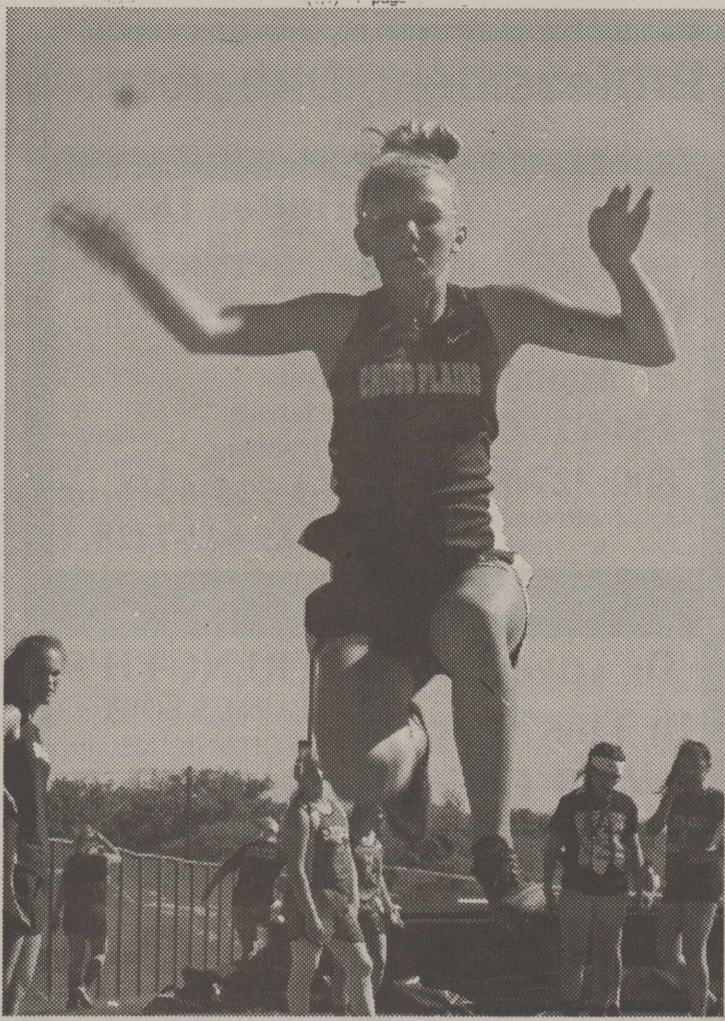
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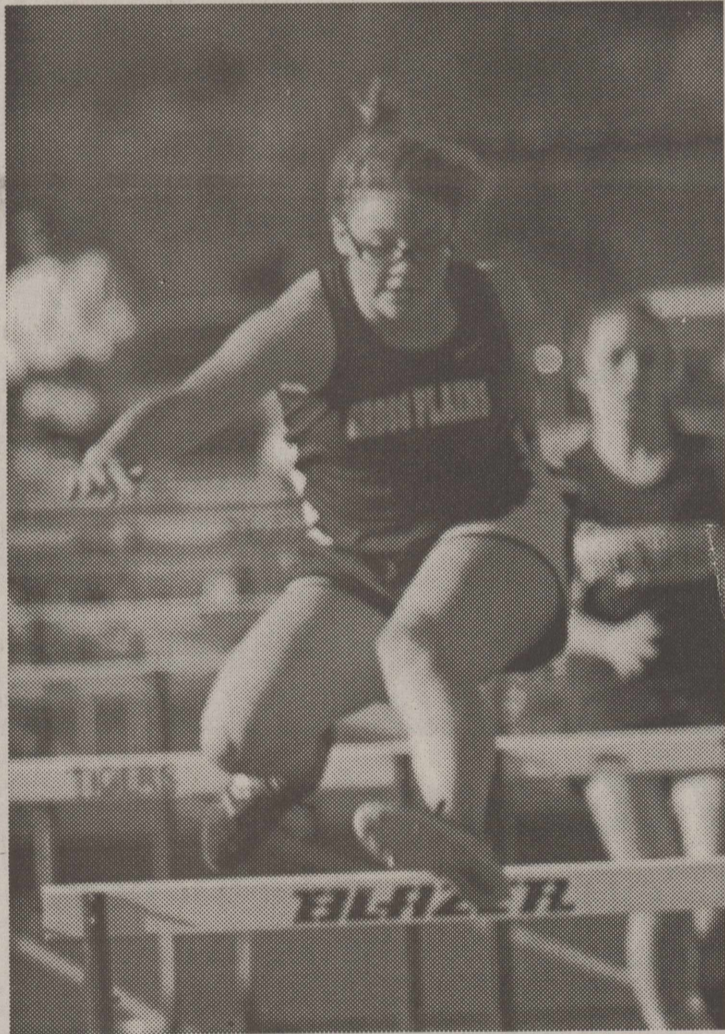
Junior High Girls Finish in Second Place



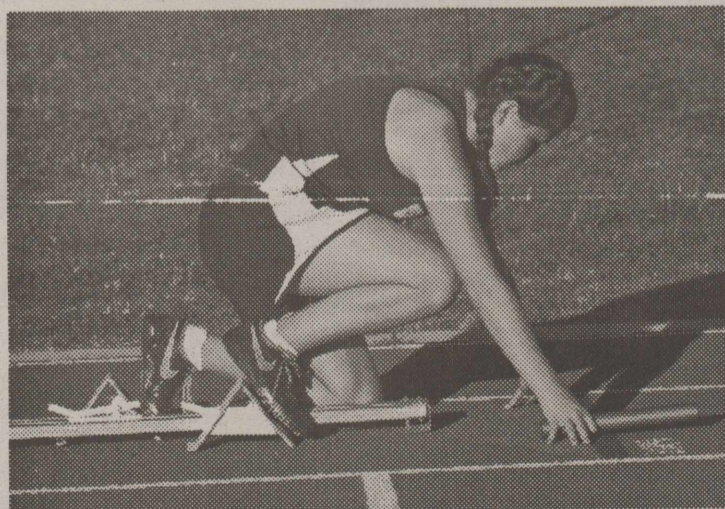
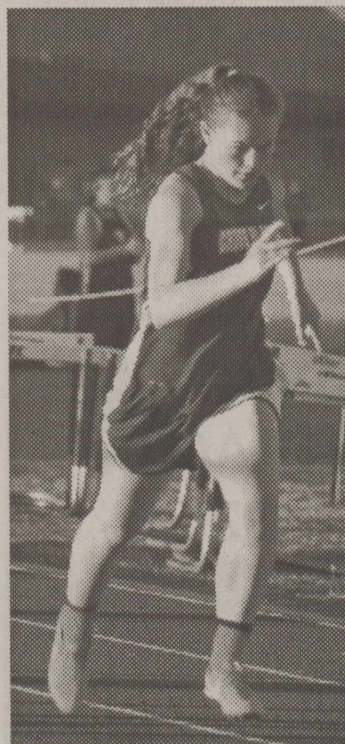
Cross Plains Junior High Girls came in 2nd in the May Invitational, scoring 118 points, to May's first place 159 points. Other schools competing: Santa Anna, 114 points; Baird, 105 points; Eula, 93 points; Rising Star, 11 points; and Panther Creek, 9 points.

How the Cross Plains Junior High girls fared in individual events:

- 2400 Meter Run - Shepard, 5th.
- 100 Meter Run - Kanady, 4th place.
- 400 Meter Run - Massey, 5th place.
- 800 Meter Run - Potter, 5th place.
- 1600 Meter Run - Potter, 6th place.
- 800 Meter Relay - Cross Plains, 5th.
- 400 Meter Relay - Cross Plains, 5th.
- 1600 Meter Relay - Cross Plains, 3rd.
- 100 Meter Hurdles - Wheeler, 1st place; Hampton, 2nd.
- 300 Meter Hurdles - Wheeler, 1st place; Bilbrey, 4th; Hampton, 6th.
- Long Jump - Kanady, 5th place.
- Triple Jump - Bradley, 4th place.
- Discus - Morgan, 1st place; Dean, 4th.
- Shot Put - Morgan, 1st place; Mathews, 2nd; Wells, 3rd.
- Pole Vault - Wheeler, 1st place; Shepard, 3rd.

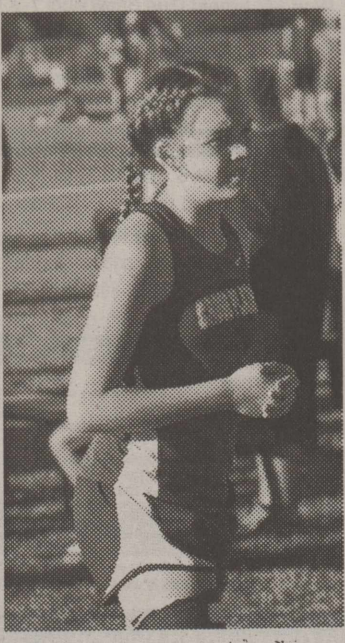


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Lady Buffs Softball Schedule

- April 8 - Saturday, Gorman here, 5 p.m. District Game.
 - April 11 - Tuesday, Santa Anna here, 5 p.m. District Game.
 - April 14 - Friday, Baird here, 10 a.m. District Game.
 - April 16 - Tuesday, May there, 5 p.m. District Game.
 - April 21 - Friday, Goldthwaite here, 5 p.m. District Game.
- Schedule subject to change.



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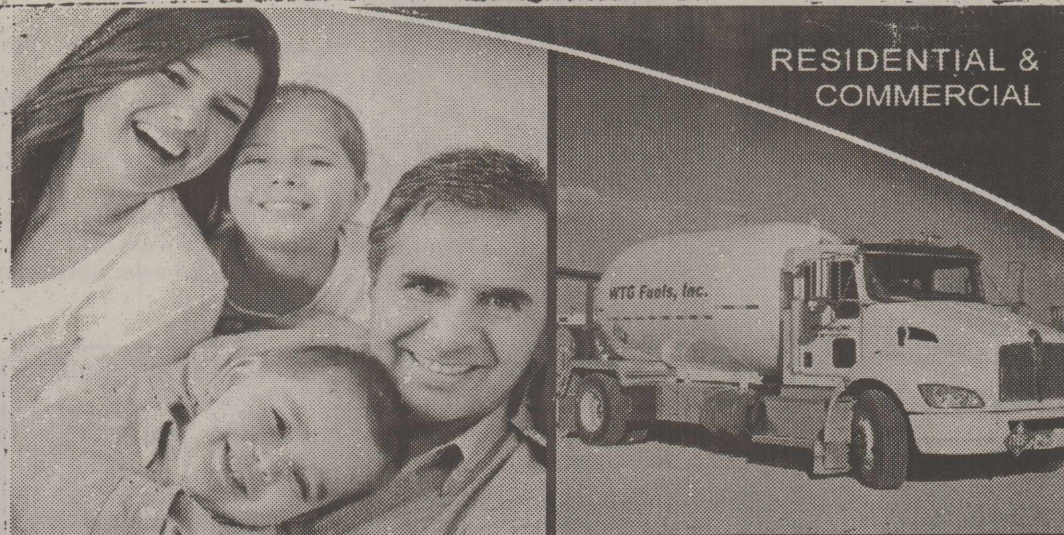
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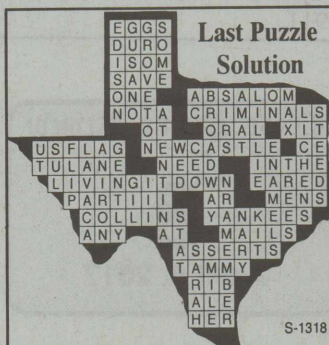
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Governor of Spanish Louisiana Bernardo de Galvez

The Revolutionary War found the American colonies in a desperate struggle for independence against one of the great superpowers of the eighteenth century, the British Empire. America found help in unexpected places. What turned out to be some of its most important foreign aid came from half a continent away from a largely unknown provincial Spanish governor, Bernardo de Galvez. Galvez served as governor of Spanish Louisiana, an area that at the time included Texas.

Bernardo de Galvez was born in a small mountain village on the southern tip of Spain in 1746. His father was a respected officer in the Spanish army. The younger Galvez began his military career at the age of 16 during the Seven Years War in the Spanish attack on neighboring Portugal. He earned the rank of lieutenant and was sent to what is now the American Southwest shortly afterward and fought in many battles with the different Native American tribes the Spanish were trying to subjugate. He was injured many times and cited for his bravery, rising to the rank of captain while still in his teens.

He returned to Spain in 1772. He took a number of assignments, including serving as an instructor at a military academy before returning to the New World and rose through the ranks. In 1777, Galvez was named governor of Spanish Louisiana. The sprawling territory, which included Louisiana, large portions of East Texas and the Red River Valley, and lands all the way to the Dakotas and the Rocky Mountains, were under his command.

The American Revolution erupted two years prior to Galvez becoming governor. A British defeat would take immense pressure off the Spanish in North America. However, the delicate diplomatic situation between Spanish and Great Britain prevented him from taking any overt action. Nevertheless, he devised a plan to aid the colonists anyway. In 1777, he quietly pulled together supplies and sent them up the Mississippi River to the Ohio River and from there to Pennsylvania. He sent weapons, medical supplies, and uniform materials worth upward of \$2 million in 2017 dollars to a grateful Continental Army.

In 1778, a group of American refugees came to Galvez seeking land and founded Galveston in Southeast Louisiana. Galvez began sending troops and colonists to the area in hopes

of transforming the area in a Spanish military base against British intrigues in Spanish Florida. By August 1779, Spain was at war with England, and it was Galvez's job to oversee the defense of Spanish interests in the region.

While there would be clashes between Spanish and English land forces, Galvez realized the bulk of the fighting would be naval battles in the Gulf of Mexico and the Caribbean Sea. English naval supremacy prevented many supplies from reaching the colonies. By contrast, the American navy, though staffed with spirited men, consisted of only a handful of ships and was too small to cause any significant damage to the huge British fleet. However, France and Spain, with their large fleets, proved to be a much more even match.

A message to British forces in Jamaica was intercepted, and Galvez prepared Louisiana for an attack, deflecting a British force at Baton Rouge in 1779. He sent the Spanish fleet to attack British ports and ships in the region. Slowly, he wore down the British advantage, allowing much needed supplies to reach the Americans. Galvez was preparing to press the advantage of the Spanish with an invasion of British Jamaica when word came that the war had ended. George

Washington himself extended his lavish praise to Galvez in his role in the long war for American freedom.

In 1782, Galvez represented Spain in the treaty negotiations in Paris to formalize the end of the war. He worked closely with his American counterpart, Ben Franklin, to help secure the new nation's strategic interests while regaining Florida for Spain. The Treaty of Paris was formally approved in 1783.

In 1785, he was appointed viceroy of New Spain by King Charles III. New Spain included all of Spain's imperial possessions in North America and the Caribbean Sea, from Panama to California to Florida. As viceroy, Galvez was second only to the king in all matters relating to North America.

He fell ill and died in Mexico City in November 1786 at the age of 40. Statues honoring him were later placed in New Orleans, Washington, DC, and Mobile, Alabama. Galveston was named for him when it was founded as a Mexican port in 1825. Congress named him as an honorary American citizen in 2014.

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Cross Plains is a very special place for many of us. I encourage each of you to not only give but to also rally your classmates and friends to get behind the HERD!

2017 Callahan County 4-H Photography Contest Results

CATEGORY	NAME	AGE DIVISION	RIBBON
Animal-Domestic	*Jolie Hutton	Junior	Blue
	*Mikayla Kinslow	Junior	Red
	*Gracelyn Ivy	Intermediate	Red
	Kaitie Saunders	Junior	Red
	Kynlee Clark	Clover	Red
	Ryli Hollis	Junior	Red
Animal-Wildlife	Austin Barcomb	Junior	Red
	*Ryli Hollis	Junior	Blue
	*Austin Barcomb	Junior	Red
	*Jordan Barcomb	Intermediate	Red
	Gracelyn Ivy	Intermediate	Red
	McKenna Podlevsky	Clover	Red
	Kynlee Clark	Clover	Red
	Jayden Shank	Junior	Red
	Emily Bisbee	Clover	Red
Catch-All	Kaitlyn Payne	Junior	Red
	Kaitie Saunders	Junior	Red
	*Abigail Holloway	Intermediate	Blue
	*Jolie Hutton	Junior	Red
	*Jordan Barcomb	Intermediate	Red
	Mikayla Kinslow	Junior	Red
	Ryli Hollis	Junior	Red
	Gracelyn Ivy	Intermediate	Red
Details & Macro	Austin Barcomb	Junior	Red
	*Austin Barcomb	Junior	Blue
	*Gracelyn Ivy	Intermediate	Blue
	*Brookelynn Lackey	Junior	Blue
	Jayden Shank	Junior	Red
	Jordan Barcomb	Intermediate	Red
Dominant Color	Kaitlyn Payne	Junior	Red
	Ryli Hollis	Junior	Red
	*Gracelyn Ivy	Intermediate	Blue
	*Ryli Hollis	Junior	Blue
	*Austin Barcomb	Junior	Blue
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Food	Austin Barcomb	Junior	Red
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	Mikayla Kinslow	Junior	Red
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Marine/Aquatic	McKenna Podlevsky	Clover	Blue
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	*Mikayla Kinslow	Junior	Red
	*Ryli Hollis	Junior	Blue
	*Gracelyn Ivy	Intermediate	Red
Nature & Landscape	*Jordan Barcomb	Junior	Red
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	Austin Barcomb	Junior	Red
	Ryli Hollis	Junior	Red
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	Mikayla Kinslow	Junior	Red
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	*Jolie Hutton	Junior	Blue
	*Gracelyn Ivy	Intermediate	Blue
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	Emily Bisbee	Clover	Red
	Jolie Hutton	Junior	Red
	Abigail Holloway	Intermediate	Red
	*Gracelyn Ivy	Intermediate	Blue
	*Ryli Hollis	Junior	Red
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Best of Show	McKenna Podlevsky	Clover	Red

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State sales tax revenue totaled \$2.2 billion in March

(AUSTIN) — Texas Comptroller Glenn Hegar said today that state sales tax revenue totaled \$2.24 billion in March, 3 percent more than in March 2016.

"Overall net growth in sales tax revenue represents mixed performances by major industry sectors," Hegar said. "Collections from the manufacturing, wholesale trade and information sectors increased, while receipts from construction, retail trade and restaurants declined from last year's levels."

Total sales tax revenue for the three months ending in March 2017 was up by 2.1 percent compared with the same period a year ago. Sales tax revenue is the largest source of state funding for the state budget, accounting for 58 percent of all tax collections in fiscal 2016. Motor vehicle sales and rental taxes, motor fuel taxes and oil and natural gas production

taxes are also large revenue sources for the state.

In March 2017, Texas collected the following revenue from those taxes:

- * motor vehicle sales and rental taxes — \$403.6 million, up 2.2 percent from March 2016;

- * motor fuel taxes — \$266.3 million, down 5.5 percent from March 2016; and

- * oil and natural gas production taxes — \$297 million, up 177 percent from March 2016. The increase is due in part to refunds provided to natural gas severance taxpayers in March 2016, which resulted in artificially low tax collections during that period.

For details on all monthly collections, visit the Comptroller's Monthly State Revenue Watch. Go to the Comptroller's website for an audio clip of Hegar's statement on this month's sales tax revenue.

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Garden Club Plant Sale Friday, April 14th

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.

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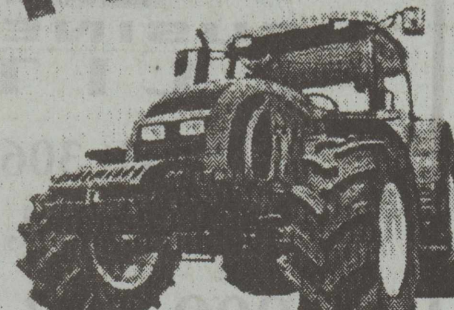
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Callahan County Agricultural newsletter for April

Texas cattle fever ticks are back with a vengeance

COLLEGE STATION- Texas cattle fever ticks, which made Texas longhorns the pariah of the plains in the late 1800s, are once again expanding their range with infestations detected in Live Oak, Willacy and Kleberg counties, said Texas A&M AgriLife experts.

As of Feb. 1, more than 500,000 acres in Texas are under various quarantines outside of the permanent quarantine zone.

Dr. Pete Teel, Texas A&M AgriLife Research entomologist at College Station, said the vigilance and cooperation of regulatory agencies, namely the Texas Animal Health Commission and the U.S. Department of Agriculture and the Animal and Plant Health Service, in collaboration with the livestock and wildlife industries are needed to detect, contain and eliminate cattle fever ticks.

Because there is no cure for tick fever, a series of quarantine levels are used to prevent animal movement and the spread of a fever tick infestation, and to permit animal treatments for tick elimination. For an explanation of these quarantines see <http://bit.ly/2jkqTNX>.

"We've been responding to calls for several weeks now stemming from this outbreak," said Dr. Sonja Swiger, Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service veterinary entomologist at Stephenville.

"Most of Texas has been shielded from this problem for so long that there is little memory of what it took to be able to enjoy the benefit," she said. "Now when producers are confronted with the issue without knowledge of the history and biology and risks associated with cattle fever, they are overwhelmed."

Teel said the historic cattle drives from Texas to railheads in Missouri and Kansas in the late 1800s brought unwanted attention when local cattle died of a strange fever associated with the arrival of Texas cattle.

"Texas cattle fever was ultimately linked to ticks brought along by the Texas longhorns," Teel said. "These ticks were appropriately named Texas cattle fever ticks, due to their ability to transmit a fever-causing agent from infected to uninfected cattle."

By 1906, Teel said, it was determined these ticks and Texas cattle fever were found throughout 14 southern states and were limiting the economic development of the region. It was also discovered that procedures separating cattle from these ticks was essential to disease prevention and tick elimination.

Southern cattle tick, *Boophilus microplus*. (Texas A&M AgriLife photo)

"State and federal eradication programs with industry support began in 1906 and slowly eradicated the disease by eliminating these specific ticks from the eastern seaboard to the Texas-Mexico border, a task declared completed in the 1940s," he said. "A permanent buffer zone was created and has been maintained ever since along the international border from Del Rio to the mouth of the Rio Grande to prevent re-establishment of ticks from Mexico where both ticks and

pathogens remain."

Since the 1970s, there have been periodic incursions of these ticks into Texas. One such incursion is happening now, requiring quarantine and eradication to prevent their spread, he said.

"However, the success of this program has protected our cattle industry from the risks of disease outbreaks by preventing contact with the tick vector for so long that most people do not remember the tremendous effort and significant benefits, and are often unaware that this risk still exists," Teel said.

"Decades of changes in land-use, brush encroachment, expansion of native and exotic game, diversification of animal enterprises and variation in climatic cycles are contributing to new challenges in keeping this problem at bay."

How risky is the disease? Teel said the Southern Region of the U.S. is home to more than 400,000 cattle operations producing a third of all fed cattle in the country. This region is the original distribution location of these ticks before the eradication program, and climate modeling indicates it would still support these ticks today.

Mortality in cattle without prior exposure to the disease is estimated to range from 70-90 percent. There are no protective vaccines and no approved drugs to treat sick animals in the U.S., he said. The U.S. Department of Agriculture has estimated that if eradication of these ticks had not occurred, cattle industry losses across the southern U.S. today would be about \$1 billion annually.

Cattle tick in hand. (Texas A&M AgriLife photo)

The technical name for Texas cattle fever is bovine babesiosis, a name related to the organisms that infect the red blood cells of cattle. It is their destruction of the red blood cells that results in anemia, fever and death, Swiger said.

"There are two closely related tick species capable of transmitting these pathogens, one called 'the cattle tick,' *Rhipicephalus (Boophilus) annulatus*, and the other called 'the southern cattle tick,' *R. microplus*," she said. "Both of these tick species and associated pathogens were introduced to the Western Hemisphere on livestock brought by early explorers and settlers from different parts of the world."

The origin of the cattle tick is the Mediterranean area where climates are relatively temperate, while the southern cattle tick is from the tropics of the Indian sub-continent. Thus, they were both successful in adapting to the southern climates of the U.S., as well as similar climates in Mexico, Central and South America, Teel said.

Teel said fever ticks remain on the same animal through their larval, nymphal and adult stages all the way through until the blood-engorged females drop off the host animal. Once off the host, females lay from 2,500-4,000 eggs, and then die. The males remain on the animal to mate with more females. It takes 20 days from the time the larvae arrive on the host animal until the first females start dropping off with the most females leaving

the host at about Day 25.

So, animal movement during this period allows ticks to be dropped into new locations.

"A successful hatch depends on moderate temperatures and high relative humidity more common to tree and brush covered areas than to open meadow or grass habitats," Teel said. "If ticks pick up the pathogen from their host during blood feeding, the pathogen is passed through the egg to the larvae of the next generation. No other tick species in the U.S. are capable of transmitting the pathogen of Texas cattle fever."

"Cattle are the preferred host and back when cattle were basically the only host, the ticks were much easier to control," he said. "Today white-tailed deer and several exotic ungulates including nilgai antelope serve as hosts. Nilgai, an imported exotic species that have naturalized in much of South Texas, are native to India and were historically noted as a host animal for the southern cattle tick in India. So what we've done is bring both the ticks and nilgai together again."

While there are many challenges to optimizing tick suppression where there is a mix of cattle, wildlife and feral ungulate hosts, Teel said research and technology development are providing new tools to meet these challenges.

"AgriLife Research and the USDA's Agricultural Research Service are collaborating to discover new and improved methods of detecting and eliminating cattle fever ticks," he said. "These efforts include mining sequences of the DNA of both tick species to discover sites to disrupt functions such as tick feeding or egg laying, to identify targets for new pesticides, or genetic approaches for tick suppression or prevention of pathogen transmission."

"There is evidence that the manure of tick-infested cattle contains detectable differences in chemical makeup compared to non-infested animals and may provide for improved methods of tick detection," he said. "And, the complex interactions of tick-host-habitat-climate relationships through simulation modelling are currently being investigated to improve tactics and strategies for tick elimination where both wildlife and cattle are involved."

West Texas bees doubt groundhog's extended winter prediction

SPLAT! West Texas honey bees are on the move, so motorists shouldn't be surprised if their windshields are strafed by a hapless swarm in coming weeks, said a Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service entomologist.

Dr. Charles Allen, of San Angelo, said the unusually warm February, touted as the warmest on record here, has put honey bees in the mood to travel.

"It's a sign spring has arrived, at least to the bees," Allen said. "Usually the number of swarms goes up if the area had sufficient rainfall the previous fall, a situation much of Texas enjoyed."

A swarm of honey bees high atop a mesquite tree in West Texas. (Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service photo by Steve Byrns)

Allen said the itch to move can stem from a number of

factors. Overcrowding in the colony, warm temperatures, a shortage of food, sudden availability of nectar and pollen, or even the presence of honey bee parasites can cause honey bees to swarm.

"But beyond these factors, swarming is the primary way honey bees increase the number of colonies in an area and spread to new areas," he said. "Typically, the old queen and about 60 percent of the bees in a colony leave, while the remaining bees stay and raise a new queen."

Swarms fly from the colony and usually collect in a high place not too far from their former home, he said. There, they form a ball or mass of bees attached to a branch or other structure with the queen safely in the middle. From the mass, scout bees can be seen coming and going in search of a new home. Swarms may stay for only a short time, or as long as a day or two, depending on the length of time it takes to find suitable new quarters.

"It is a common misconception that swarms are dangerous to people," Allen said. "Though a swarm may appear as a fearsome seething mass of angry insects to the uninformed, the truth is that bees, and wasps too for that matter, sting almost exclusively to defend their young or brood. Swarms don't have 'baby bees' to protect, so even the most irritable, pugnacious Africanized honey bees are docile during a swarm. Like the boll weevil in the old song, swarming honeybees are 'just huntin' a home.'"

That said, Allen warns that in Texas most wild bees nowadays are Africanized, so as soon as the queen starts laying eggs and a brood starts to develop, their attitude quickly shifts. The workers, now with young to protect, will become defensive and will attack anything they see as a threat.

Because of the hyper-aggressive African genetic makeup most wild honey bees now have, elimination or removal by a beekeeper in and around homes is a "must do" to keep families and pets from being stung, Allen said.

"Since bees do not orient well in darkness, late evening, early morning or the middle of the night are good times to remove or eliminate wild bee colonies near homes," Allen said. "Honey bees need polarized light such as the sun provides, to be able to locate things. So a flashlight, which does not emit polarized light, works well in the dark as the bees are unable to orient in its light. And since they are cold blooded and less active when the temperature is cold, removal or elimination is less dangerous on a cool to cold night."

Allen said he does not advocate destroying colonies unless there is a danger to humans, livestock or pets. He said some AgriLife Extension offices have a list of beekeepers who might be contacted for bee removal. Barring that, most exterminators also deal with bee issues.

Up Coming Events
Basic Home Lawn Care (May 1st, 2017 Callahan Extension Office)

Cross Timbers- Brush Management Symposium (May 5th, 2017 Stephenville, TX)

Wheat Field Day- (May 5th, 2017 Abilene, TX)

Cottonwood News by Beverly Brown

Cottonwood received about 3 to 3 1/2 inches of rain over the weekend. Thank you, m Lord for the rain!

Because of the rain, the Burn Ban has been lifted for a few days. You still need to call the Sheriff's Office before you light the match to burn. Call them at 325-854-1444.

Mandi and Matt Sowell and 4HisGlory will present their Easter Cantata - "Come to the Cross and Remember" on Sunday Morning, April 9th at 9 a.m. at the First Presbyterian Church in Cross Plains. This is a good time to go and hear

4HisGlory and this wonderful Easter music, then head to your church. The performance should last about 45 minutes, so you'll have lots of time.

The Easter Cantata at the First United Methodist Church will be held on Sunday, April 9th at 4 p.m. The program is called "Amazing Love, How Can It Be", a blend of old and newer songs.

Easter is the following Sunday on April 16th.

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

Market at Clyde and Doggie Pageant, Saturday April 8th

Market at Clyde is this Saturday 10AM-4PM at the Old Firehouse on North First Street.

Not only will your favorite vendors be there, Market at Clyde is also hosting a Doggie Pageant. Bring your dog in costume for the judging. There will be three prizes awarded; a portrait of dog in or out of costume by Danni Louw, a custom made leather collar by Scott Kniffen, a blingy collar by Celise McVay and a rustic dog pendant by Vicki Davis. The first place winner will choose one of these four gifts, second, third and fourth then chose from the remaining gifts in order of placement. Judging will end at 2PM so that prizes can be awarded at 3PM. Dogs can be shown all through the day but must come back at 3PM to receive prize. Some vendors have geared up for the Doggie Pageant by creating special jewelry, handbags and other items to go with this theme.

Other vendors have concentrated on the Easter season. If you still have Easter Baskets to purchase, this is the place to shop Saturday. The hand crocheted Easter Baskets are beautiful, filled and ready to go. They are a perfect gift for a child or adult. They would also make a beautiful table or desk decoration. In addition to the handmade Easter Baskets there will be candy arrangements that are perfect for gifts or table decorations.

The artist and crafters will have many things for you to choose from to decorate your home or office for Easter, Spring and Summer. Some of these items include wood and metal crosses, even crosses made from motor cycle chain. Kitchen items such as hot pot pads, hand towels, dish towels, cozies for the microwave, so many other kitchen items. Wood items include Scroll Saw Art in very intricate design, rustic wood, small furniture, wall hangings and so much more. Many of these vendors accept special orders.

Items from the kitchen will include jams, jellies, syrups and baked items. Some of these home cooks will accept orders and bake for your special occasions as well. Just ask as you are visiting with the vendors.

Market at Clyde has become a destination stop for those shopping for jewelry. There will be several of your favorite jewelry artist displaying their special creations. Those shopping for unusual crosses will not be disappointed. There are so many jewelry styles for you to choose from.

To see more of what is offered look at the ad in this paper. Also go to The Market at Clyde, Texas Facebook Page or the website. If you are a vendor and would like a space email themarketatclyde@gmail.com or call 325-518-3939.

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Garden Club Preparing for Plant Sale on April 14th

The Garden Club is preparing now for their annual April Plant Sale. The sale is scheduled for Friday, April 14, 2017 from 9:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m. in the park adjacent to the Cross Plains Public Library.

Please mark your calendars - you won't want to miss this event!

We will offer a huge assortment of both indoor and outdoor plants, pots and planters, silent auction items, yard art and more.

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Callahan County Firefighters - The Callahan County Firefighters Association met in Clyde on April 1st for their regular monthly meeting. From left to right: Sheriff Terry Joy; Roy Boyd, Cottonwood VFC; Robert and Faun Wheeler, Hamby VFD; Doug Campbell, Oplin VFD; Roger Hinkle, Cottonwood VFC; Travis Hudspeth, Eula VFD and President of the Association; Lonnie Broadus, Clyde VFD; and Charlie Dawson, Eula VFD. In front: Marty Smith, Putnam VFD; and Rickey Carouth, Cross Plains VFD.

Clothes Closet Open Saturday; Not Taking Donations at This Time

Stop by the Clothes Closet this Saturday from 9 - 11 a.m. and shop for kids summer clothing, as well as ladies and men's clothing. The clothing is free. Everyone is welcome.

The Clothes Closet is also carrying small kitchen appliances and other household items, too.

Due to your generous donations, the Clothes Closet and our storage area are both full. At this time, we cannot accept any more donations.

The Clothes Closet is located behind the Baptist Church.

County Burn Ban has been lifted

Thanks to the widespread rainfall throughout Callahan County this past weekend, County Judge Roger Corn announced the Countywide Burn Ban has been lifted effective immediately.

Leifton Hunter Scholarship

The Leifton Hunter Scholarship Fund was established by Leonard Wilson in memory of Leifton Hunter, 1998 graduate of Cross Plains High School. A graduating senior will be awarded \$250.00 scholarship to assist with tuition, books, and/or fees to further his or her education.

male/female, growing up in the United States in 2017 and I am most hopeful /pessimistic about..."

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2. Please write a one-page essay about of the following topics:

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2. Fully describe the sentence. "I am a ___ year old

Selection:

Selection will be based on school and community involvement, financial need, and completion of brief essay.

Application Deadline:

The application deadline is April 21, 2017 at 5:00 pm. Please return the application with the essay attached to Debbie Edington at Texas Heritage Bank.

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For the Cross Plains Public Library, some examples of service values tell quite a story. Children's Programs valued at \$6.50 per patron (1,575 children) result in services valued at \$10,237.50. Adult programs are valued at \$12.50 per patron (696), making a total of \$8,700.00 for those. Books checked out are valued at an average of \$8.63 per book, and CPPL checked out 5,667 books in 2016 for a total value of \$48,906.20. That means that on a yearly budget of about \$35,000, mostly provided by

donations, the Library provides services to the community of \$67,843.70 just in programs and books borrowed instead of purchased!

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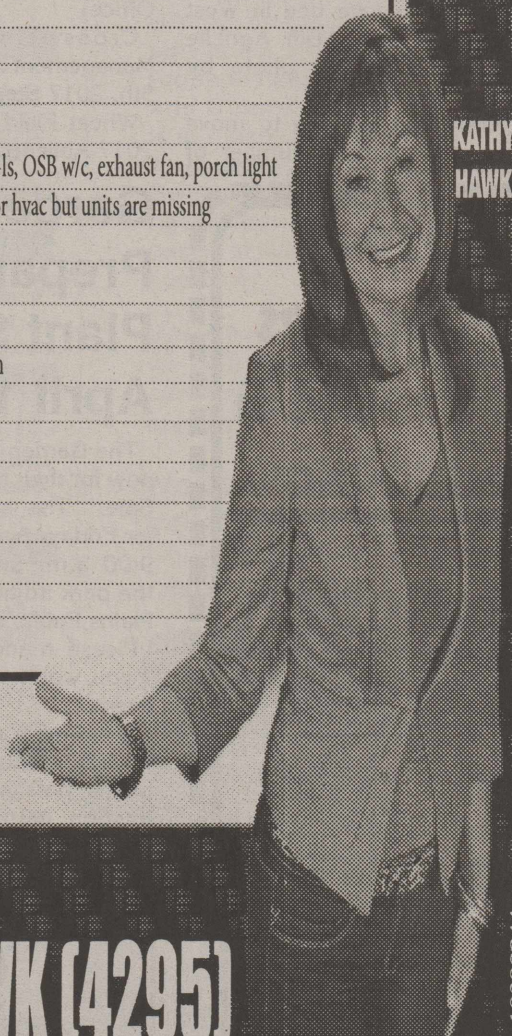
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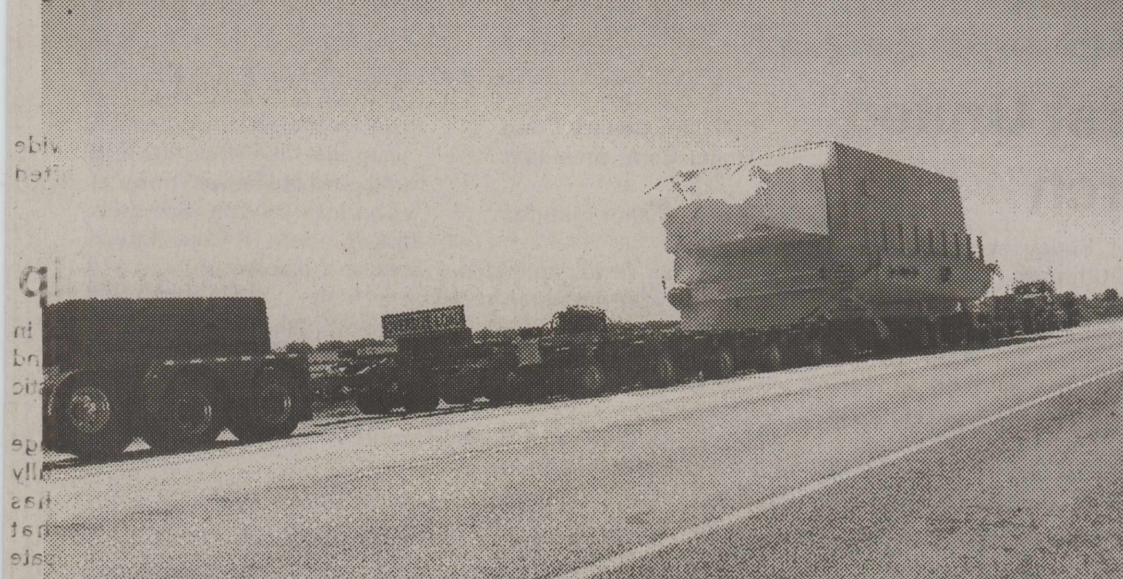
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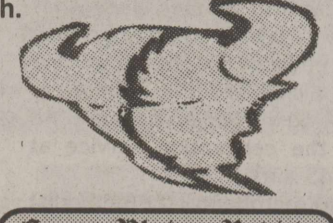
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Birdwatching

Generally speaking, most people have a hobby or two in which they enjoy participating in aside from their daily routines. For some it may be playing or just watching sports, for others it may be something like stamp collecting or coin collecting, and for others it may be fishing or hiking. There is a hobby that has really taken hold in the United States over the past several decades and that is birdwatching, or birding for short.

It has been estimated that more than sixty million people in the United States participate in birding annually. And this great state of ours is a prime area to birdwatch due to favorable weather conditions, as well as geographical placement.

As I begin to generalize a short overview about this hobby, let me just say that the space allotted for this column is not nearly enough to cover the hows, the whats, the whens, the wheres and the whys of birding. It is meant to literally be an overview of a tremendous opportunity to get outdoors!

If one is interested in birding, there are several items that can be considered to be necessities to obtain before beginning. The first is a good bird identification book. There are several quality books to choose from, and making that selection depends largely on how serious you see yourself participating in the hobby. One of my favorites is the Birds of Texas by Fred J. Alsop III. This is one of several field guides by the Smithsonian Handbook series. The next item to obtain would be a good set of binoculars. These are needed for those hard-to-see species that are too small or too far away to make a positive ID. Another item would be a good digital camera. A few years ago, a digital DSLR with a large telephoto lens was the way to go. Now, there are several point and shoot cameras that have up to twelve times zoom capabilities, as well as several megapixels, available for a third of what a single DSLR telephoto



SPRINGTIME IS A GREAT TIME FOR BIRD WATCHING THROUGHOUT TEXAS

lens costs. Digital cameras are really good to use in the field as they allow you to photo a bird, then zoom in for a closer look to aid in the identification.

When in the field birdwatching, there are several questions to ask and answer about a bird's body to assist with making a positive identification. First impressions are the most important in making that ID. Is the head striped, crested, or capped? Is there markings present on the face, such as masking, eye rings, or ear patches? Is the color of the body plumage red, blue, or brown? Are the underparts spotted or streaked? Is the tail forked, rounded, long, or short? Is there distinctive markings on the tail such as spots, bands, or bars? What about the bill? Is it needlelike, or is it hooked, or is it cone-shaped?

There are also other things besides physical attributes to observe. What is the surrounding habitat like? What kind of voice does the bird utilize? What is its behavior? Does it hop on the ground, does it fly from bush to bush, or does it soar? What is its flight pattern? Does it exhibit a direct straight line flight? Or does it hover or zig-zag?

As you can see, there are several key elements in learning how to be a birdwatcher. But with the mastery of these elements, then you are well on your way to become an experienced birder. Happy birding!

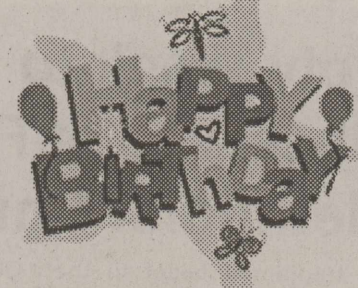
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 Brooklyn Ashley Strength

April 15
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Buffaloes Baseball Schedule

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.

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 your calendar now and make plans to be at the festival.

Senior Citizens Center Activities

Apr. 10th - Apr. 14th
Monday-10th Exercise 11:00/ Senior Dance 6:30 pm
Tuesday-11th Exercise 11:00/Game Night 6:00
Wednesday-12th Exercise 11:00/Easter Meal/Blood Pressure Check with Kindred at Home of Eastland
Thursday-13th Exercise 11:00
Friday-14th Center Closed for Good Friday

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SENIOR CITIZENS MENU

Apr. 10th - Apr. 14th

Monday 10th -Chicken Spaghetti, Lettuce Tomato Salad, Corn, Garlic, Bread	Thursday 13th -Steak Fingers w gravy, Potatoes, English Peas, Bread, Dessert
Tuesday 11th -Tuna Salad Sandwich, Pasta Salad, Chips, Fruit, Cookie	Friday 14th - Center Closed Good Friday
Wednesday 12th -Turkey Dressing, Sweet Potatoes, Green Beans, Rolls, Dessert	MEAL IS SERVED - 11:45 A.M. - 12:30 P.M.

Monthly Menu may be picked up at the Senior Citizen Center

Callahan County Library news

Some more paperbacks available at the library are: The Secret Sister and The Secrets She Kept both by Brenda Novak, On Mystic Lake by Kristin Hannah and a 3 in 1 book, Lone Star Brides by Tracie Peterson.

From the Past
Callahan County Clarendon Saturday August 5, 1882, Vol. III, No. 18

Over the State
 San Antonio has five China laundries. There are 380,866 voters in the state, of whom 68,656 are colored.

The Texarkana telephone exchange began operation last Tuesday. Gonzales county has seven thousand dollars in her county treasury. Prairie chicken shooting can be legally carried on after the 1st of August.

The Tarrant county Board of Equalization valued railroads at \$6,000 per mile. El Paso was visited by a severe storm on the 22d ult., and some damage was done by lightning. St. Louis got her first bale of new cotton from Texas last Saturday. It brought 26 cents per pound.

The Texas & Pacific railroad is establishing experimental farms along its line all through western Texas.

... the second story of the temporary capitol building, at Austin is about completed.

Texarkana is rapidly improving. The burned places are being rebuilt as fast as men and material can be procured to do so.

Bountiful rains have recently enlivened the range over the entire grazing regions. Grass is good and growing rapidly. Cattle will be in better condition this fall than they have been in years.

Great floods have occurred recently in San Saba county, and much damage has been done to the crops and farm fences. The San Saba river rose higher, than at any time since the great overflow of 1864.

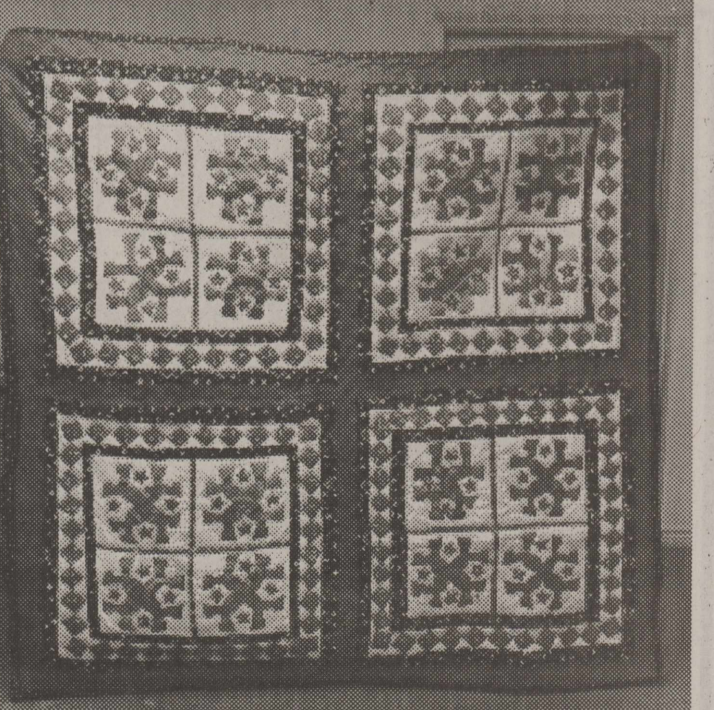
Local News
 Mr. Richard Skinner has brought a car load of hogs which he will ship to his home in Pilot Point.

Mr. Shear, of Illinois, came into Baird last Sunday with two car loads (170head) of fine merino bucks for this market.

Mr. Frank Taylor, of Coleman, has been in town several days this week. He started a herd of about 220 head of stock horses up the trail last Tuesday. They go to Kansas.

A roundup was had at the Cochran & Kerr ranch yesterday. A large outfit from north of us, with John Jones as boss, are doing the rounding. They go to the Hazelwood ranch today.

J. M. Parish, we are informed, will move out west and go into the sheep business now, since he has sold his farm.



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.

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Scranton Homecoming set for May 6th

Former students, residents and friends of the Scranton community in western Eastland County will return for the annual Scranton Homecoming, Saturday, May 6, 2017 at the Scranton Community Center.

Registration begins at 10 a.m. Annual meetings of the Scranton Cemetery Association and the Scranton Exes, sponsors of the event, are scheduled for 11 a.m. The cemetery association will elect a board member for a five-year term. Jerry Morgan of Cisco is currently serving in that position.

Lunch, provided by the Exes, will be served at noon. Scheduled afternoon activities include a raffle and guessing games and a group picture. There will be plenty of time to visit with old friends and

classmates throughout the day. After homecoming activities, the community center kitchen opens at 5 p.m. for the evening meal of the monthly Scranton Musical. Entertainment for that event begins at 5:30 p.m.

The Scranton school system closed in 1964. Part of the old school building is used for the community center, and ruins of the rock gymnasium, constructed during the Great Depression, remain on the site. Scranton is located on FM 1864 just east of the Callahan/Eastland Counties line.

For more information, contact Diane Thompson Boland, President, Scranton Exes at dbolandcpa@aol.com or Bob Shrader, Secretary, Scranton Cemetery Association at bshrader@gmail.com.

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.

Holy Week to Be Observed at First United Methodist Church

A traditional belief in the Methodist Church is that one cannot experience the true joy of the resurrection of Jesus without also experiencing the depth of the pain he suffered in death on the cross.

The time known as Holy Week begins on Palm Sunday (April 9) with Jesus' triumphant entry into Jerusalem to participate in the Passover with his disciples. Maundy Thursday commemorates the last supper that Jesus served to his close followers. Good Friday is the somber acknowledgement of his crucifixion. Then comes the glorious Easter morning celebration of Christ overcoming death and arising from the grave.

Palm Sunday will be celebrated with the waving of the symbolic palm leaves by the younger members as they progress down the aisle to begin the regular 10:45 worship service. The Choir will present an Easter cantata at 4:00 Sunday afternoon to be followed by a reception in the Fellowship Hall.

Both the Maundy Thursday communion service and the

Good Friday services will be at 6:00 p.m. in the church sanctuary.

The Easter morning celebration on April 16 will begin with a 7:00 sunrise service in the Prayer Garden at the Church. This will include a short message and singing as those in attendance await the sun rising on "the perfect day." Everybody is then invited to enjoy a breakfast of pancakes, sausage, coffee and juice and an enjoyable time of fellowship.

Beautiful Easter lilies that have been donated by members of the church will line the aisles and the altar area, making the perfect background for the celebration service at 10:45 a.m.

The members of the Methodist Church warmly invite those who are looking for a special way to celebrate the message of Easter to attend these services.

Please feel free to call the church at 725-7377, e-mail to fumccrossplains@gmail.com or go to our Facebook page at First United Methodist Church, Cross Plains, TX for further information.

COURTHOUSE NEWS

Callahan County Court
Roger Corn, presiding

Misdemeanor Minutes

Christopher Perez, amended motion to revoke probation and adjudication granted.

Marriage Licenses

Greg Davis Cadjew of Baird and Michele Patrice Roberts of Abilene.

Dillon Blake Burton of Clyde and Summer Hope Walker of Abilene.

Beau Randall Myrick of Hawley and Julianna Dawn Carlile of Baird.

Chase Laramie Lynch of Valley Mills and Taylor Alyn Nix of Baird.

42nd District Court
James Eidson, presiding

Civil Filings

Dora Jane Warlick and James Seburn Warlick, divorce.

Daniel Harkins and Heather

Rebecca Harkins, divorce.
Eugena Lee Reeder and Roddie Wayne Reeder, divorce.
Charles Clayton Speckels and Michele Renae Luera Speckels, divorce.

Civil Minutes

Wendell Ryan Moore and Lacey Lauren Moore, divorce granted.

Criminal Minutes

Jonathan J. Garcia, plea of guilty to possession of marijuana, 2 year probation, \$750 fine, \$359 court costs.

Hank Williams, plea of guilty to driving while intoxicated, 5 year probation, \$1000 fine, \$459 court costs.

Gina Fagiani, plea of guilty to possession of a controlled substance, 6 year probation, \$2500 fine, \$359 court costs, \$180 restitution.

Adela Andrade, plea of guilty to a controlled substance, 3 year probation, \$1000 fine, \$394 court costs, \$180 restitution.

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L U N C H	Corn dog Tots Baked beans Broccoli Bites Pineapple tidbits Milk Variety	Salisbury Steak Brown gravy Mashed potatoes Green beans Roll Fruity gelatin Milk variety	Grilled Cheese Vegetable Soup Baby Carrots Pears Lime Sherbet Cup Milk variety	Turkey Sandwich Tiny Tomato cup Seasoned Corn Baked chips Mandarin oranges Milk variety	Holiday

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Property owners have certain rights that may reduce their property tax burden.

HOMEOWNERS

Persons who own their residence on January 1, 2017, may claim their home as a residential homestead. The filing of this document is only necessary if the homeowner has changed homesteads since January 1, 2016, or has become eligible for additional exemptions since last year. Homeowners may also defer the portion of the tax on their residence homestead if the value of the home was raised more than 5% above the previous year. Although the taxes collection is deferred, interest continues to run on the unpaid portion of tax at a rate of 8% per annum and the deferred tax remains a lien on the property. To apply for the deferral, the owner should contact the appraisal district which appraised the property in question and complete an application.

DISABLED PERSONS

Person who are disabled under Social Security law are entitled to additional exemption on their residential homestead. Diable applicants must apply with the appraisal district and furnish a determination letter from Social Security. Disabled persons now receive all benefits on their home that are available to over 65 persons (see below).

PERSONS WHO ARE OVER 65 YEARS OF AGE-EXEMPTIONS AND DEFERRAL

Persons who are over 65 years of age or disabled persons may file for additional exemptions and a ceiling on school taxes for their residential homestead if they become 65 during 2016 or will be 65 during 2017. Over-65 persons should apply for this exemption at the appraisal district office in their county.

Over-65 person are also eligible to defer paying the tax on their residential homestead if they wish. The taxes continue to accrue during the deferral along with an interest rate of 8% annually, but no attempt will be made to force payment during the deferral. Details and an application may be obtained from any appraisal district or the State Comptroller.

DISABLED VETERANS

Persons who have been declared disabled by the Veteran's Administration are eligible for additional exemptions on property they own. The declaration letter from VA is mailed annually, but the appraisal district only needs a copy in the first year of eligibility or if the percentage of disability changes. In certain situations where the disabled vet is 100% disabled and unemployable, their homestead can be completely exempt. An annual reapplication for the 100% exemptions may be required by the Chief Appraiser.

FARM AND RANCH OWNERS

Farmers and ranchers may be entitled to receive an alternate method of appraisal determined by the farm income to the property. This method is available to farms and ranches commercially raising crops or livestock or which are used as a wildlife habitat under State guidelines. An application for agricultural use value and additional information is available from your appraisal district. Re-filing is only necessary if requested to do so by the Chief Appraiser.

EXEMPTION APPLICATIONS

Exemption applications for all property tax exemptions including total exemptions for charitable, religious, and other total exemptions may be obtained from an appraisal district nearest you or

through the State <http://www.windowns.state.tx.us/taxinfo/taxforms/02-forms.html>.

BUSINESS PERSONAL PROPERTY OWNERS

State law now **requires** the filing of a rendition declaring what types of business personal property that a person or company owns. Failure to file the rendition will result in a 10% penalty. If a fraudulent rendition is filing, a 50% penalty is mandated. A rendition can be obtained from the appraisal district office where the property is located. Deadline-April 15. A 30 day filing extension is available by written request.

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

If you own tangible personal property that is used to produce income, you must file a rendition with the Callahan County Appraisal District by April 15th, 2017.

A rendition is a report that lists all the taxable property a person owned or controlled on January 1st of this year. Tax laws require all businesses to pay property tax based on the value of the assets used in the business to generate income. These assets include inventory, furniture, fixtures, machinery, equipment and vehicles. Owners do not have to render exempt property, such as church property or agriculture producers' equipment used for farming, unless specifically requested from the Chief Appraiser. By April 15th of each year, business owners must provide the appraisal district with a listing of those assets. Your business should have received a Confidential Business Personal Rendition from the appraisal district. If you have not received this form please call at 325/854-5865. If you own multiple business locations, you will need to complete the rendition form for each location.

The Appraisal District

may use the information submitted in the rendition to set property values as well as field inspections of businesses. You can also file a report of decreased value to notify the district of significant depreciation of your property. For example, if your property was damaged by a storm, flood, or fire last year, you should file a report of decreased value. The district will look at your property before assigning a value in 2017.

The last day to file a rendition or report of decreased value is April 15, 2017. If a rendition is filed late or incomplete or not at all a 10 percent penalty will be imposed, if a fraudulent rendition is filing, a 50 percent penalty is mandated. Property owners who need more time to file their renditions may file a written request for an extension with the chief appraiser on or before April 15, 2017 to receive an automatic extension to May 15th or the next business day if it falls on a holiday or weekend.

For more information about rendering property, deadline extensions, penalties and rendition forms, taxpayers may contact the Callahan County Appraisal District, 132 W. 4th St., Baird, TX 79504 or by phone at 325/854-5865.

AVAILABILITY OF ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATIONS

Taxpayers may receive certain notices required by law from the local appraisal district in electronic format. Written agreements with the county appraisal district must be entered first, ensuring what electronic means of delivery are acceptable. If you are interested in receiving communications in electronic format, you should contact your local appraisal district to receive a form requesting electronic communication and how that communication should be transmitted.

This is a public service announcement by Callahan County Appraisal District, 132 W. 4th, Baird, Texas, 79504.

Texas Brigades Youth Camp

The registration deadline for the Texas Brigades wildlife leadership youth camps conducted in partnership with the Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service is fast approaching, said Dr. Dale Rollins, AgriLife Extension wildlife specialist and the camps' founder. "This summer marks 25 years that the camps have been honing young leaders through the Texas Brigades curriculum," said Rollins, who is based in San Angelo. "That's the whole goal of the camps, to empower young people with the confidence and skills needed to assume professional leadership roles in the future. "While our camps feature quail, deer, bass, redfish, ducks and livestock, the aim is to equip young people with the resources and determination needed to really make a difference in wildlife conservation and proper land stewardship throughout their lives." Rollins said all the camps held at various locations across the state share the focus of teaching youth leadership skills, natural resources conservation and proper land management. Each camp is limited to 20-30 students ages 13-17. "The camps are designed to develop such life skills as critical thinking and team building through fun and interesting activities surrounding the particular camp's species of wildlife, fish or livestock," Rollins said.

The Rolling Plains Bobwhite

Brigade camp is at Centennial Lodge, Coleman, June 10-14.

The camps are all partnership efforts of AgriLife Extension, Texas Wildlife Association, Texas Parks and Wildlife Department, and the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Natural Resources Conservation Service; along with several universities, conservation groups, local soil and water conservation districts, private businesses and individuals with an interest in wildlife and youth leadership development.

Tuition is \$500 per cadet per camp, and sponsors throughout Texas are available to provide financial aid when requested, Rollins said.

Natalie Bartek, Texas Brigades' executive director at San Antonio, said camp organizers are looking for adult leaders to help at all the camps. Adults interested in working with the Texas Brigades program should be highly motivated, preferably over 21 years old and willing to serve as "covey," "school," "herd," or "flock" leaders; no prior wildlife or fisheries knowledge is required to assist in these capacities.

Applications may be found and completed online at <http://www.texasbrigades.org>. For more information, contact Bartek at natalie@texasbrigades.org or call 855-556-1391.

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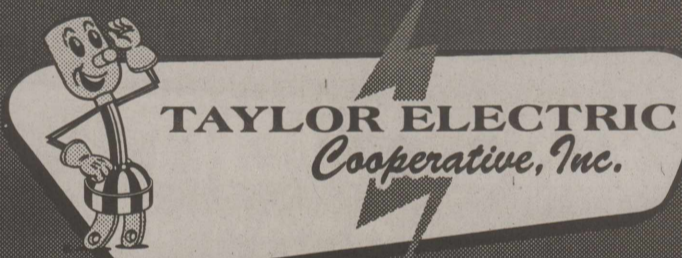


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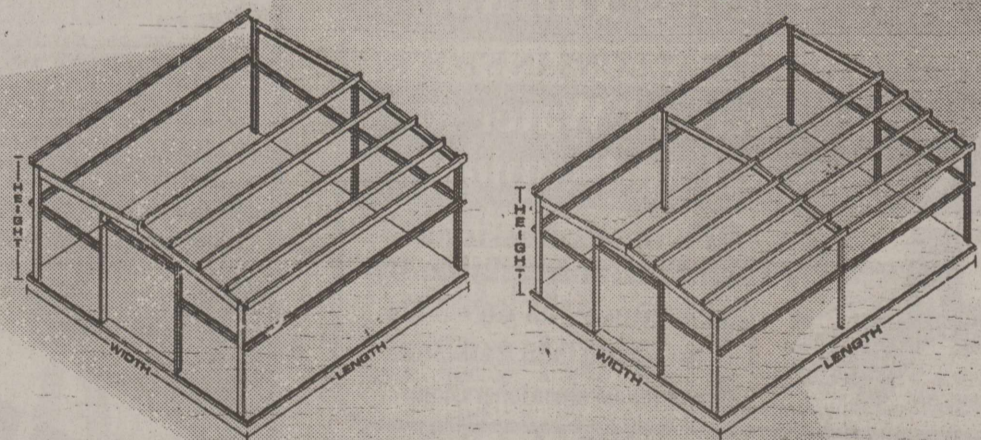
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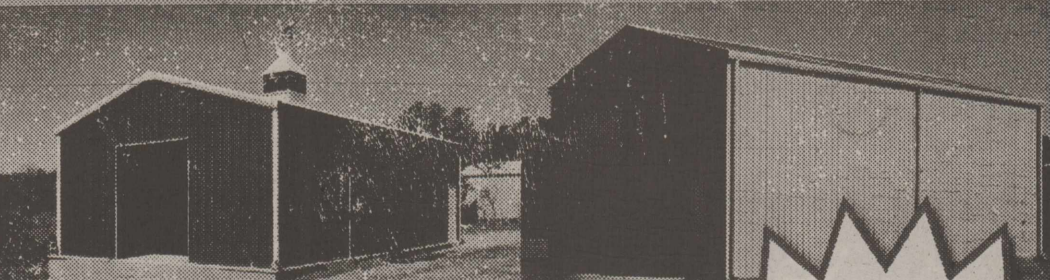
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"A Taste of Heaven" is the new cookbook compiled by the First United Methodist Church and is now available at the Church and at the Cross Plains Public Library. The cookbook is one way the Church celebrated its 130th anniversary late last year; thus making it all the more special. Karen Shumaker coordinated the project and Cher Ptacek designed the cover with her beautiful photographs of the church.

Recipes from former members of the church, as well as lots of good recipes from current members are guaranteed to be delicious. Many people will undoubtedly remember Rosalea Bonner's party punch that graced many a table at

wedding and baby showers as well as parties of all kinds. And who can forget Jimmie Lee Payne's marinated carrots and Loraine Kilgore's chicken tetrazzini. Fannie Bowden's Mexican chicken casserole and Vera Pearl's quick energy treats will be remembered by many as well.

Then you add a wide variety of recipes from current church members and friends and you've a collection well worth the \$15.00 price tag. The three ring binder style enables you to add your own favorite recipes to the book.

Lots of good ideas for good eating and all for a good cause...the mission projects of FUMC.

Celebrate National Arbor Day with 10 Free Shade Trees by Joining the Arbor Day Foundation

National Arbor Day is Friday, April 28, this year, and the Arbor Day Foundation is making it easy for anyone to celebrate the annual tree-planting holiday. Join the Foundation in April and receive 10 free shade trees.

By joining the Foundation in April, new members receive the following trees: red oak, sugar maple, weeping willow, baldcypress, thornless honeylocust, pin oak, river birch, tuliptree, silver maple, and red maple.

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

"These trees provide shade in the summer and vibrant colors throughout the fall," said Matt Harris, chief executive of

the Arbor Day Foundation. "Through the simple act of planting trees, one person can make a difference in helping to create a healthier and more beautiful planet for all of us to enjoy."

The trees will be shipped postpaid with enclosed planting instructions at the right time for planting in April or May. The 6- to 12-inch trees are guaranteed to grow or they will be replaced free of charge.

To become a member of the Foundation and receive the free trees, send a \$10 contribution to TEN FREE SHADE TREES, Arbor Day Foundation, 100 Arbor Avenue, Nebraska City, NE 68410, by April 30, 2017, or visit arborday.org/april.

Clyde FUMC offers \$1000 Scholarship to McMurry University

Clyde First United Methodist Church is offering a \$1000 scholarship per year to McMurry University to a high school graduate who many apply and qualify for this scholarship to attend McMurry University in Abilene, Texas. If no upcoming freshman to McMurry University applies for the scholarship, then the scholarship is open to anyone

interested in attending and graduating from the University, providing that the qualifications meet the standards of the scholarship. The applicant is not required to be actively involved at Clyde First United Methodist Church to receive the scholarship. Scholarship applications may be picked up in the office at Clyde High School, or in the Clyde FUMC office at 217 Oak Street.

Deadline for returning the application is Friday, May 1, 2015. Please return it either to the High School Counselor's office, or to the office of the Clyde First United Methodist Church on or before that date.

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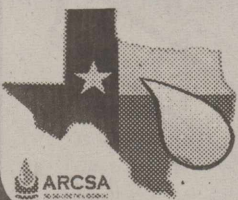
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Cross Plains Community Calendar

~ April ~

Apr 9 - Palm Sunday, Methodist Church Easter Cantata, 4 p.m.

Apr 10 - Monday, Dance at the Senior Center, 6:30 p.m.

Apr 14 - Good Friday, School's out for Easter Holiday
Apr 14 - Garden Club Plant Sale, Park by the Library, 9 a.m.-4 p.m.

Apr 15 - Easter Egg Hunt

Apr 16 - Easter Sunday

Apr 21 - CPVFD Fish Fry, First Baptist Church Family Life Center

Apr 28 - Friday, Arbor Day

~ May ~

May 4 - National Day of Prayer, Thursday, Prayer Service at the Methodist Church, noon. Light lunch afterward.

May 14 - Mother's Day

May 19 - Friday, Last day of School Classes; Graduation

May 26-29 - Memorial Day Weekend, Fire Department, EMS and Caring Citizens stand at 4-Way Stop.

May 29 - Monday, Memorial Day observed

~ June ~

June 8 - Thursday, Barbarian Festival Parade, 6 p.m.; Senior Center Fish Fry, 5-7 p.m.

June 9 & 10 - Friday and Saturday, Robert E. Howard Days

June 10 - Saturday, Turkey Creek Rodeo Club Playday

June 10 - Saturday, Barbarian Festival, Treadway Park, 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.

June 18 - Father's Day

June 24 - Saturday, Turkey Creek Rodeo Club Playday

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