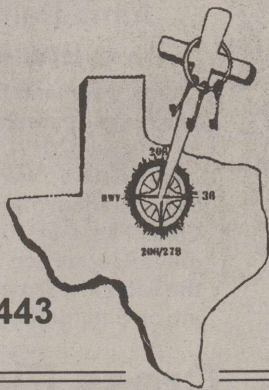


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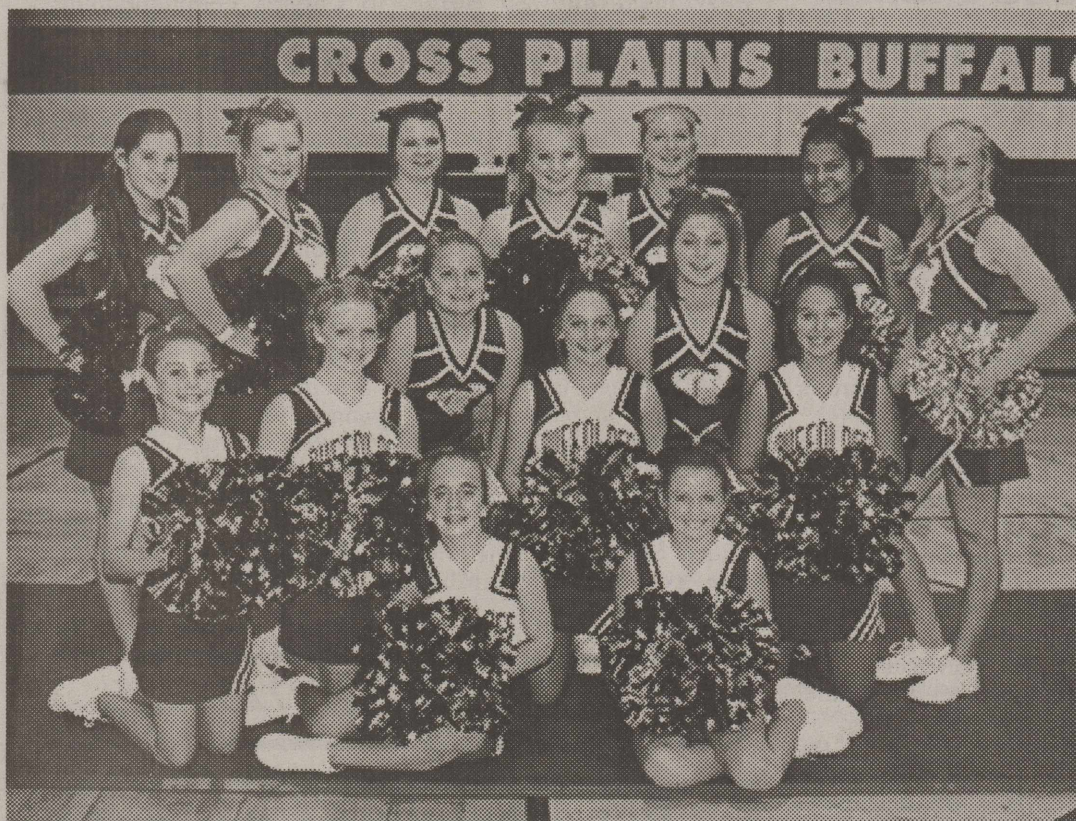


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CROSS PLAINS BUFFALO
Cross Plains High School Varsity Cheerleaders and Cross Plains Junior High School Cheerleaders attended Cheer Camp last week. Back row, left to right: Varsity Cheerleaders Shana Yates, Mallory McCreedy, Kenzie Kleiber, Jordan Hampton, Caley Box, Isabel Dean and Jackilann Shepard. Middle Row: Varsity Cheerleaders Madilyn Shepard and Kinlee Mathews. Front row: Junior High Cheerleaders Abbigale Shepard, Hannah McKinney, Katie Goains and Hailey Mauricio. Very Front: Junior High Cheerleaders Livia Busby and Jocelyn Smoot. More photos from Cheer Camp inside.

"Sully" Book-to-Movie Event Changed to Thursday, July 27th at 5:30 p.m.

In order not to conflict with the Chamber of Commerce Banquet, the Cross Plains Public Library is moving their book-to-movie event back a week. "Sully," the true story of Captain Chesley Sullenberger of The Miracle on the Hudson, will be shown at the Library on Thursday, July 27th at

5:30p.m. This event is free, including the books thanks to a grant from the Institute of Museum and Library Services and the Texas State Library and Archives Commission. Participants may pick up a copy of the book at the library. We will view the movie and then head to Jean's Feed Barn for

a Dutch-treat dinner to discuss the book vs. the movie. If you want to participate, but wish to download the book on your Nook or Kindle, you can be reimbursed with this grant. Just bring your receipt to the library. Join us for a unique opportunity to read his story and view this entertaining film of Sully's life!

Flour Power Bakery Truck to be at the Library on July 19th

On Wednesday, July 19th, the Flour Power Bakery truck from Brownwood will be at the Cross Plains Public Library for our Summer Reading Program at 1:30 p.m. If you have celebrated a birthday at the Senior Center, then you know how delicious their cupcakes are.

We are taking orders to be delivered for our patrons that day. If you would like to order cupcakes (minimum 1 dozen)

please fill out a form available at the library and return it with your check payable to CPPL, before 5pm Thursday, July 13th. Cost is \$2/each or \$24/dozen. We will also have cupcakes available for sale after 3:00p.m. on July 19th.

Order for a future event and put in the freezer - they freeze beautifully up to 3 months when sealed in their original container.

Callahan County 4H Sewing Camp

The 4-H club will be hosting a sewing camp on July 24th and July 25th from 6:00pm - 8:30pm at the First Baptist Church in Cross Plains.

This will be a fun project as well as learning the basics of sewing. Our project is Comfort Pets. The finished projects will be donated to Callahan County First Responders, we hope this will comfort a child during an ambulance ride.

There will be a discussion on the 4-H fashion show. Pillows, purses and or aprons can also be made. Please bring your own material for these projects.

RSVP to the Texas Agri Extension office at 325-854-5835 by July 21st. So we can make sure we have enough supplies.

This camp is open to everyone. You do not have to be a 4-H member.

Special School Board Meeting Called for Wednesday, July 19th

CROSS PLAINS INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT, 700 NORTH MAIN STREET, CROSS PLAINS, TEXAS 76443

NOTICE OF MEETING---BOARD OF TRUSTEE, CROSS PLAINS INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

A Special meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Cross Plains Independent School District will be held on July 19, 2017, beginning at 8:00 p.m. in the Board Room. The subjects to be discussed or considered upon which any formal action may be taken are as follows:

REGULAR MEETING
July 19, 2017 (8:00 p.m.)
CALL MEETING TO ORDER
New Business

Consider Change in Election Order Calling for a Tax Ratification Election (if necessary)

Consider Election Decisions:

Location of Polling Place - Election Judge - John Swift
Early Voting Clerk -
Early Voting Place - Adjourn

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

This notice was posted in compliance with the Open Meetings Act on July 16, 2017, at 7:00 p.m.

PUBLIC FAX (254) 725-7225

Free Advanced Planning Seminar at Higginbotham Funeral Home on July 20th

Higginbotham Funeral Home will host a Free Advance Planning Seminar on Thursday, July 20th from 6:00-7:30 p.m. at the funeral home.

John Scott Odom, Attorney at Law, will explain legal tools that can help protect your family including wills, powers of attorney and trusts.

Greg Whitten, Administrator of Rising Star Nursing Center, will share his experience working with families and seniors and the importance of planning ahead.

Leon Stone, Prearrangement Specialist, will share how advanced funeral planning can help you and your loved ones. Refreshments will be served.

Chamber Banquet Thursday, July 20th

The Cross Plains Chamber of Commerce invites you come to our Annual Banquet this Thursday evening, July 20th at 6:30 p.m. at the First Baptist Church Family Life Center.

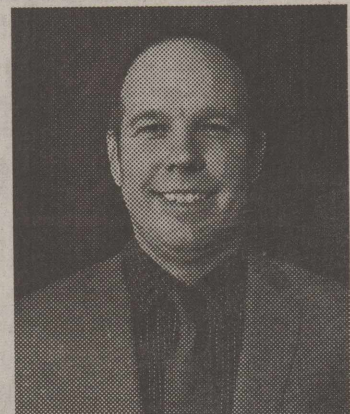
Tickets are \$15, and will be available at the door. Your ticket will put you in the drawing for some great door prizes, too. You don't have to be a chamber member to come to the banquet.

The Chicken Fried Steak dinner will be catered by Mexico City Cafe.

New County Extension Agent Karl Winge will be the guest speaker. You'll want to come and meet him.

There will be a Cake Auction featuring delicious desserts baked by some of the best bakers in Cross Plains, Callahan County -- or even Texas!

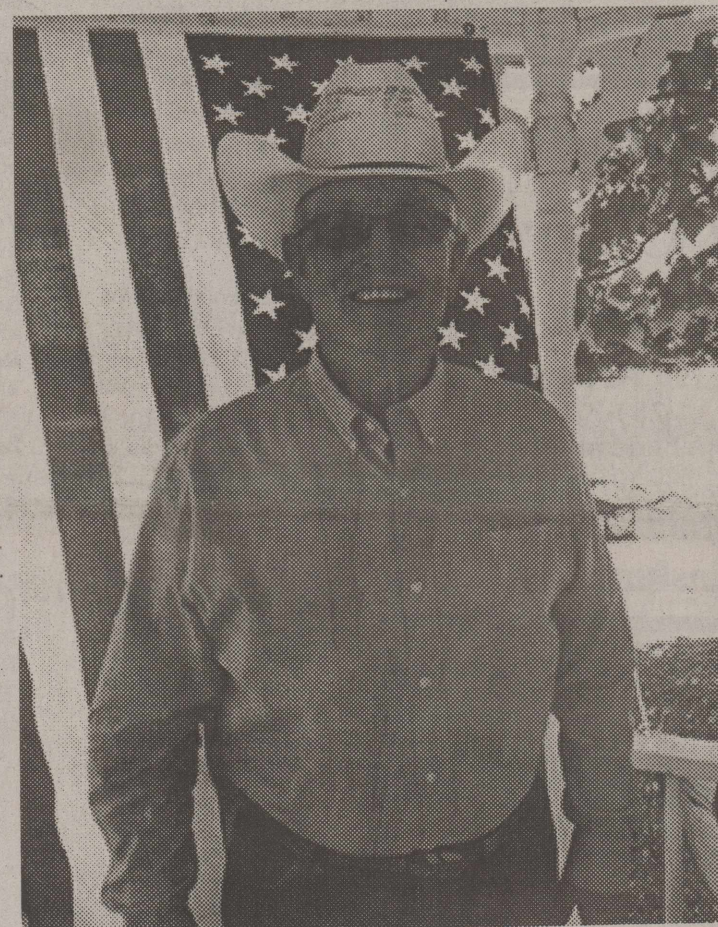
The "Business of the Year" will



Callahan County Extension Agent Karl Winge

be recognized, along with the new businesses in Cross Plains. If you're a new business, be sure you come and join us.

You can purchase tickets at Texas Heritage Bank, City Hall or Junkin Daze or get them at the door on Thursday evening. We look forward to seeing you.



Retiring Precinct 4 Commissioner Cliff Kirkham Cliff Kirkham Retires as Precinct 4 Commissioner; Erwin Clark Appointed to as New Commissioner

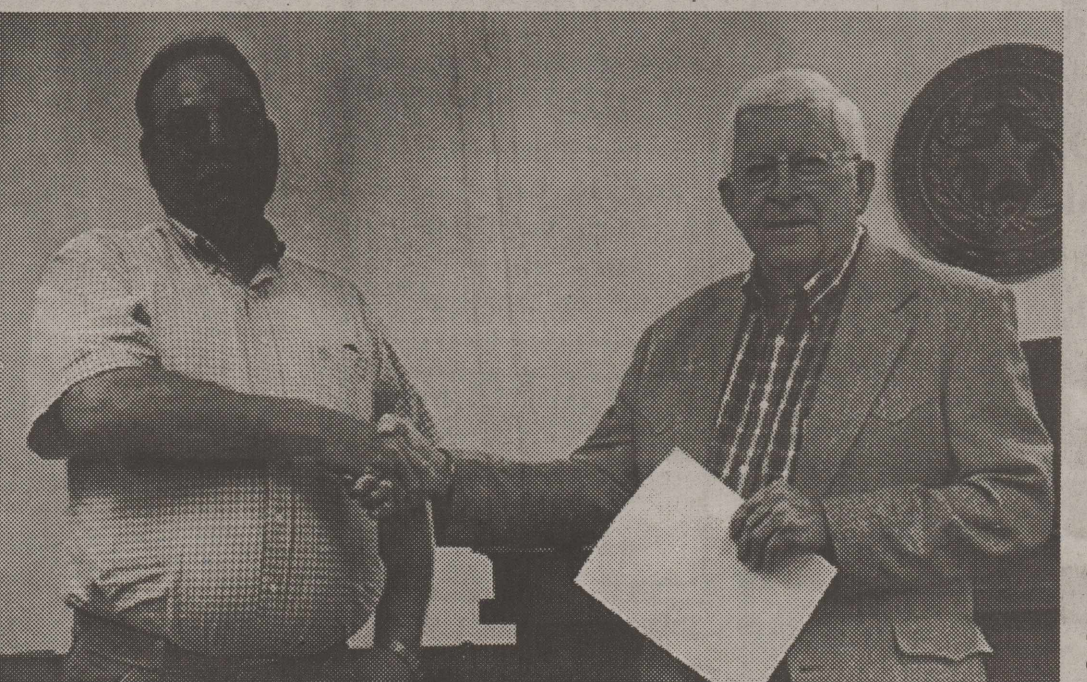
Cliff Kirkham, Callahan County Commissioner for Precinct 4 surprised Commissioner's Court with his retirement last week.

Kirkham, who has held the position since January 1, 2007, will now spend more time farming, traveling and visiting grandchildren.

"I want to thank all my supporters in Precinct 4 and throughout the county,"

Kirkham stated in a recent interview. He went on to say that Erwin Clark will do a good job for the constituents and taxpayers in Callahan County.

Erwin Clark, who has been with Callahan County for over 30 years, was appointed Commissioner by Judge Roger Corn. He will serve until an election is held for the position in 2018.



Judge Roger Corn, right, congratulates new Precinct 4 Commissioner Erwin Clark.

School Starts on Tuesday, August 29th

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Sunday School9:45 AM
 Morning Worship.....11:00 AM
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 Youth Meet at Pool House.....6:30PM
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 Sunday Morning Worship.....11:00am
 Sunday Evening Worship.....6:00pm
 Wednesday Prayer Service.....6:00pm

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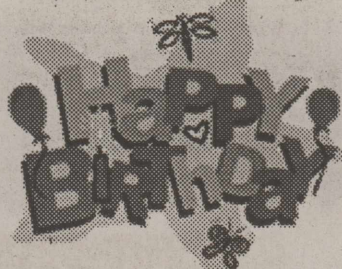
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SUNDAY:

Morning Worship: 10:45 A.M.
Bible Class: 9:45 A.M.
Evening Worship: 6:00P.M.
Wednesday: Evening: 7:00P.M.

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10:00A.M. (at the church activity center on East Hwy 36)
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Tyler Horn
 Mrs. Rolan Bryan
 Elaine Pancake
 Josh Goble
 Bill Hester Jr.
 Myrl Willis
 Max Thetford
 Ronald Chad Bagley
 Jaquiline Denis Newman
 Tabitha Matineau
 Justin Lee Clark
 Geneva Nelson

July 24

J.T. Walker
 Beverlyn Foster
 Cheri Gray
 Mrs. Carroll Gray
 Matthew Wayne Hutchins
 Micheal James Hutchins
 Kathy Churchill
 Sue (Aiken) Strickland
 Lance Stephens

July 25

Debra Green
 Traci Dianne Woody
 Sandra McKeenan
 Mrs. Ross McGary
 Billy E. Pope
 Ronnie Edington
 Sherri Townson
 Randy Montgomery
 Martha Duncan
 Roger Thate
 R.E. Harris
 Johnny Allen
 Megan Reed

July 26

Kaylee Meador
 Maxine Kellar
 Jerry Erwin
 Ricky Potter
 R.B. Dillard Jr.
 J.H. Byrd
 Lauretta Bomar

Vivian Franke Lewis
 Oneitta Fortenberry
 R.H. Wooten
 Zachary Alan Hinkle
 Tammy (Guille) Brown

July 27

Betty Golson
 Mrs. David Gray
 Neva Davis
 Ronnie Smith
 Mrs. Quinn Harris
 James Montgomery
 Hailey Morton
 Beverly Havner
 Edie Ann Switzer

July 28

Valeta Edington Brown
 Jeff Worley
 David Clark Brown
 Debbie Jan McNeel
 Ethel Collier
 Nicole Peterson
 Lori (Erwin) Crisp
 K-Trina Sue Meador
 David Ingram White
 Dewanna Darlene Wyatt
 Lone Rutledge
 Mrs. Lon Duncan
 Micheal Klingler
 Kelly Rene Harris
 Carrie Ferrel (Kay) Green
 John Wagner

July 29

Shannon Nichols
 Lastyn Winfrey
 Corrine Barnett
 Linda Joyce Gambell
 Eula Covington
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 Ashlee (Hutchins) Matthews
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Texas Heritage Bank
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Death Notice

Alma Dalmann Erwin

Alma Dalmann Erwin, 88, of San Angelo passed from this life on July 11, 2017.

Visitation was held at Higginbotham Funeral Home in Cross Plains at 10:00 am with graveside service following at the Sabanno Cemetery at 11:00 am on Saturday, July 15, 2017.

Cross Plains Remembered Books Available

Limited copies of three Cross Plains Remembered books are available. The three volumes each contain hundreds of photographs of people and places in Cross Plains, as well as stories and remembrances from the past.

The first book, Volume 1, has a little bit of everything in it: school photos, street scenes, gas station photos, family histories, and many other photographs.

Volume 2, has many family histories and family photographs, as well as, a little bit of everything else. And, many, many photos.

Volume 3 focuses on the ranches around Cross Plains that have been in businesses for 100 years or more, as well as, rodeo photographs, veterans photos, photos of Cottonwood, Pioneer and surrounding areas and other photos.

Each book is 352 pages and contains hundreds of photographs. At \$20 each, they are a great value. The books, printed in 2011 and 2012, will not be reprinted.

Cross Plains Remembered, Volumes 1, 2 and 3 are available at Texas Heritage Bank, the Senior Center, Salamander's, Lawrence Farm and Ranch Supply, Cross Plains Review, Cross Plains Library and Connie's Cuts and Curls.

You can also order the books by mail. Just specify which book or books you are ordering. Books are \$20 each, plus shipping - \$4.50 for one book, \$6 shipping for two books or \$9 shipping for all three books. Send a check to: Barbarian Festival Committee, P. O. Box 741, Cross Plains, TX 76443, and we'll send the books out to you.

Stephen Ministry Open to Everyone

The First United Methodist Church of Cross Plains is proud to announce their affiliation with Stephen Ministries, a not-for-profit Christian Education organization, to the Cross Plains and surrounding communities. Stephen Ministries was founded in 1975 and is a part of over 12,000 congregations.

In its 42 years of service, Stephen Ministries has trained over 600,000 leaders in 170 Christian denominations in all 50 states, 10 Canadian Provinces, and 25 other countries worldwide.

Stephen Ministry is a source of caring one-on-one ministry within our community. The Stephen Minister (SM) is called to, "bear one another's burdens, and in this way you will fulfill the law of Christ" (Galatians 6:2). The SM develops a purely confidential, caring relationship to walk side by side with you through whatever challenges life has given. Whether it is the difficulty of divorce, parenting, illness, hospitalization, unemployment or death a SM listens and walks with you through the difficult time.

Each SM spends time with one community member

confidentially to listen, encourage, and care for that person exclusively until the hardship resolves. There are both male and female SM to assure that men can meet with men and women with women.

All names and personally identifiable information is omitted to ensure that confidentiality is kept by strict standards.

Stephen Ministry multiplies blessings in the community by allowing Christians to respond to Christ's commandment: "Love one another as I have loved you" (John 15:12). It provides the community with a team of gifted, talented, trained people to help minister to hurting people. People who would benefit from a compassionate companion for emotional and spiritual support. Stephen Ministry may be just what you, or someone you know, need in your life at this moment.

For more information, or to connect with a local Stephen Minister, contact the First United Methodist Church 1000 N. Main, church phone 254-725-7377, Lee Anne Morton-Stephen Leader 325-220-1716.

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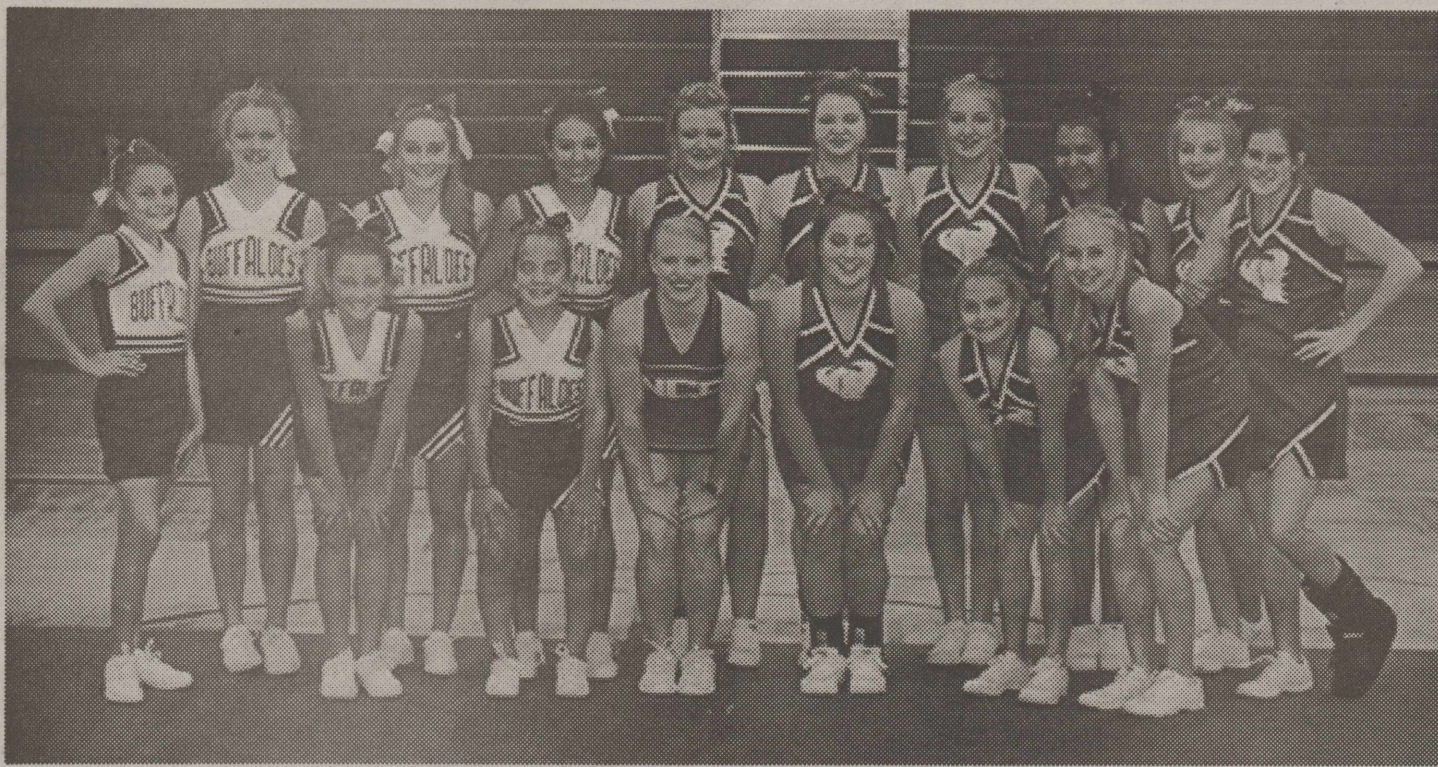
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ACROSS

- San Antonio picante sauce
- TXism: "brains in _____" (computer)
- TXism: "Is the _____ Catholic?" (yes)
- TXism: "sharp as a _____ tooth"
- TXism: "_____ some grave!" (fill)
- In 1835, the Austin community was known as Water _____
- TX Phyllis Davis was Beatrice in this TV crime drama series
- muscle pulls
- Mama Cass
- TX Guy Clark LP "_____ Build"
- ready to drive the golf ball (2 wds.)
- this Hedy was in "Boom Town" with TX Chill Willis
- troops of _____ Thornton were ambushed in TX to start Mexican War
- TX Lefty Frizzell tune: "The Long Black _____"
- TX B.J. Thomas' 1st gospel record: "Home _____ Belong"
- TXism: "wipe the slate clean"
- red vegetables
- TXism: "happy _____"
- TXism: "_____ jaybird"
- TXism: "hot as _____ road _____ July"
- TX or IA town
- TXism: "_____ boose" (jail)
- one-name actor in 1991 TX-filmed "Necessary Roughness"
- TXism: "bath day" (abbr.)
- once a Wichita Falls AM station
- TXism: "_____ a fish in water"
- dir. to Tyler from Dallas
- brandin' or shootin'
- TXism: "_____ the unvarnished truth"
- "those" south of the border
- novelist Deighton
- TX Lynda of TV's "Mission Impossible" (init.)
- Houston eatery was first called: "_____ House"
- Travis Tritt's "It's All _____ Change"
- _____ Cove, TX
- TX Strait's "All My _____ Live in Texas"
- enumerate
- TXism: "_____ opossum _____" (armadillo)
- "bear" south of the border
- horse doc.
- Dallas' 150th birthday party had _____ cake
- "Eyes of TX" song began as prank by UT _____ Club
- TX Willie's 1985 concert in Illinois: Farm _____
- TXism: "nary a _____ (no one)"
- TXism: "table _____ grazed"
- singer Petty (init.)
- TX resident pro golfer Lanny (init.)
- founder of TX Belo company (init.)
- say Lamesa: "luh- _____ suh"
- bdgs. for Mavs, Rockets & Spurs
- horse park near San Antonio
- TX Orbison (init.)
- Paxton's TX title
- "yes" south of the border
- newspaper income
- TXism: "hit the _____ (go to bed)"
- TXism: "mad _____ hen"
- TXism: "a _____ ride the river with"
- _____ Cowboy"
- "buenas _____"
- TXism: "me casa _____ su casa"
- "Fightin' Irish"
- TXism: "mad as _____ snake"
- Alpine, TX is named for the _____ Alps
- snake catcher

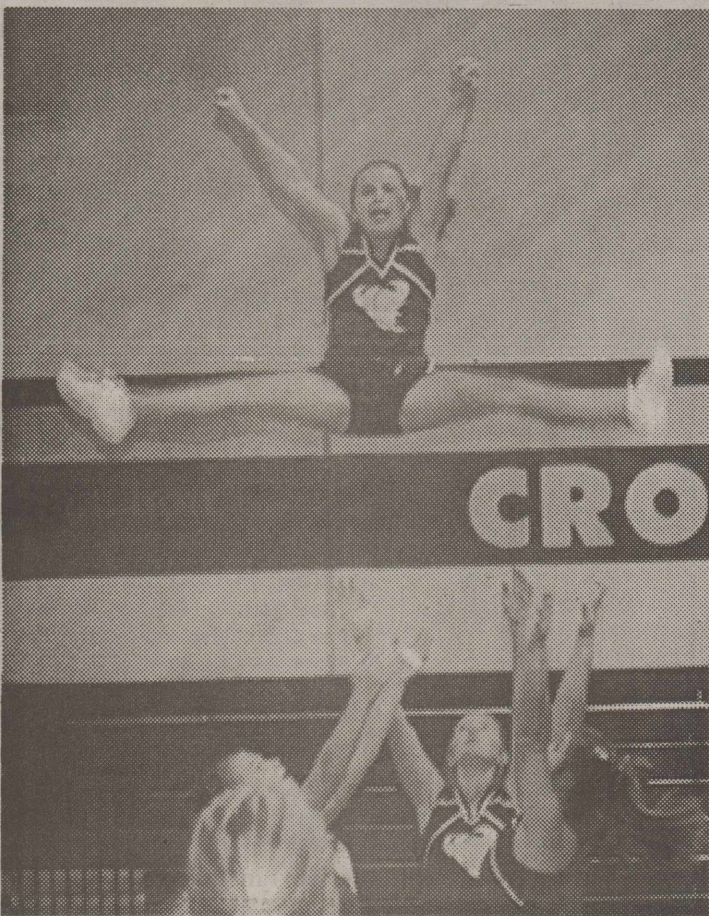
Getting Ready to Cheer on the Buffaloes



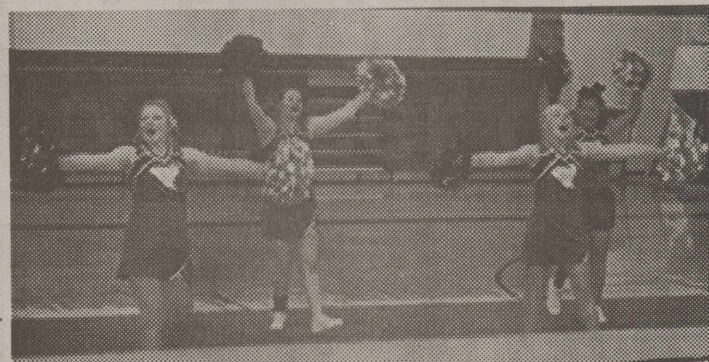
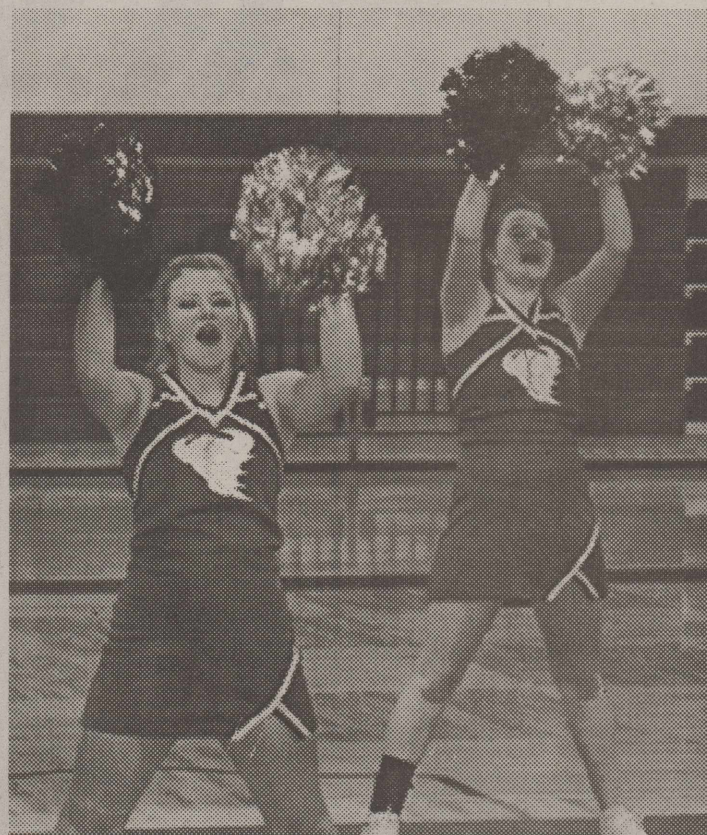
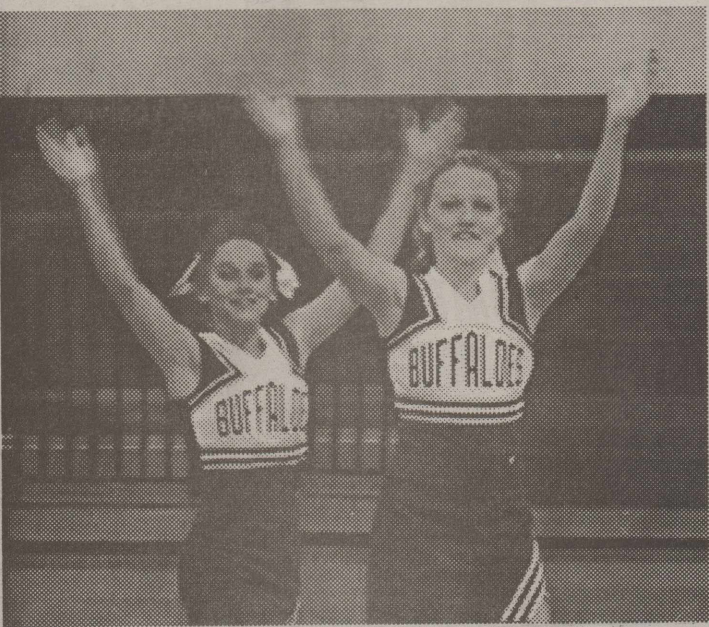
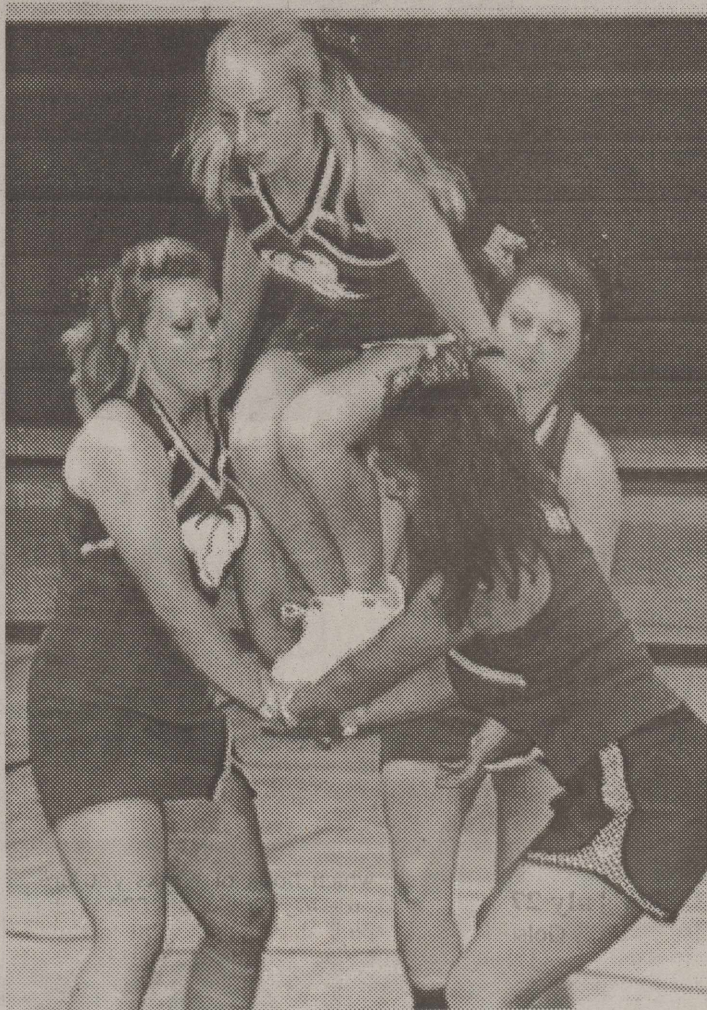
High School and Junior High Cheerleaders attended Cheer Camp at CPHS last week. The girls learned cheers, dances and routines. Back row left to right: Abbigale Shepard, Hannah McKinney, Katie Goains, Hailey Mauricio, Mallory McCready, Kenzie Kleiber, Caley Box, Isabel Dean, Jordan Hampton, Shana Yates. Front row: Jocelyn Smoot, Livia Busby, Instructor Kirstin, Kinlee Mathews, Madilynn Shepard, Jackilann Shepard



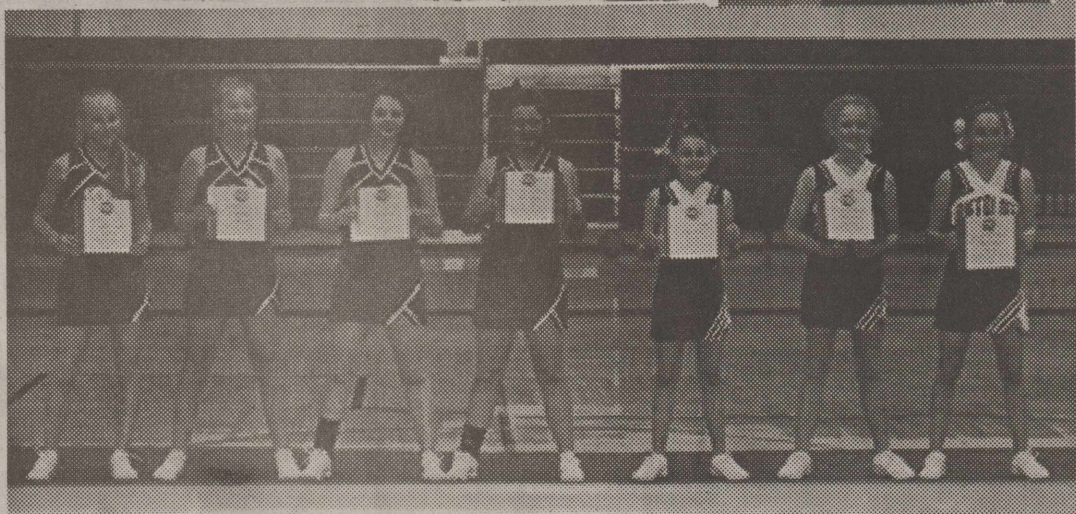
Building a Pyramid



Madilyn Shepard up in the air

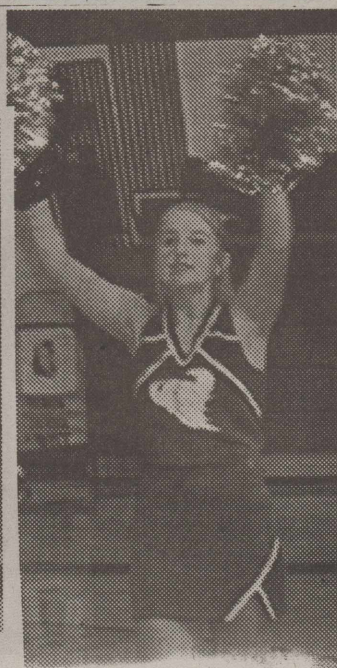


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Tracy Dillard with her mother Lillie Dillard



Sarah Corliss

Rising Star Nursing and Rehab News

Another Success Story!

We have two success stories this week. Our therapy department operated by Rehab Synergies has recently sent home two wonderful people following their rehab stay here. Sarah Corliss and Lillie Dillard have recently completed therapy covered by their Medicare part a plans. In her exit interview,

Mrs. Sarah Corliss of Carbon said "my therapy was awesome. Both therapists, Nicola and Josh were excellent. They pushed me just enough each day to make me better. The got me to give 100% when I did not always feel like it and I didn't even know they were

pushing me. It was an awesome experience." She went on to say she would highly recommend Rising Star Nursing and Rehabilitation to anyone and plans on returning soon.

Ms. Lillie Dillard of Cross Plains said her "experience was wonderful. I love you all." Her and her daughter were both very complimentary of her rehab experience here. Rehab Synergies is managed by Josh Honea of Cisco and Nicloa Thompson of Abilene.

For more information contact Rising Star Nursing and Rehabilitation of Rising Star, Texas at 254-643-6700 or like us on Facebook.

Summer Readers Learn About Stamp Collecting

Hello from the Summer Reading Program. Today's program was all about Stamp Collecting.

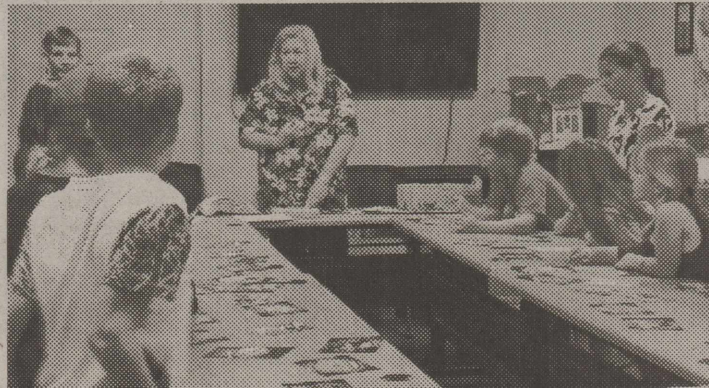
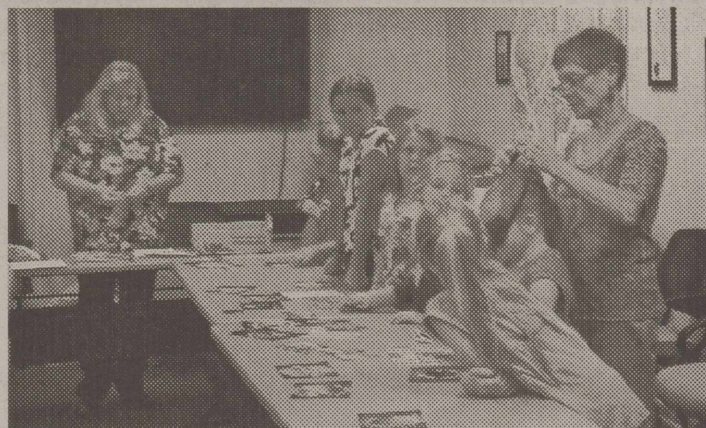
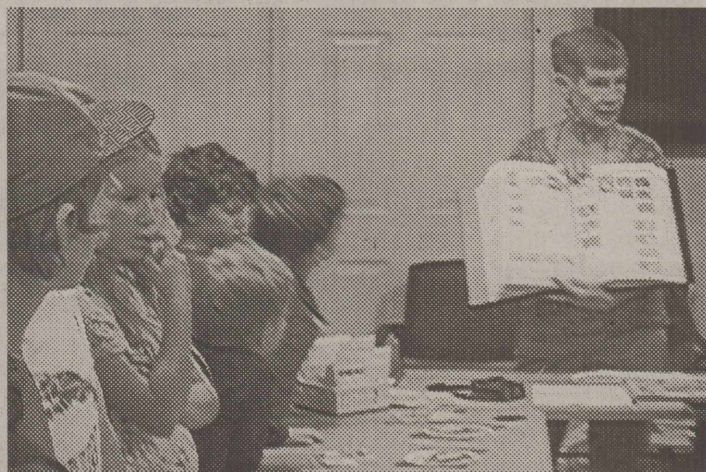
Helen Parson and Michele Jares brought their collections and shared them with the kids. Helen was in junior high when she started collecting stamps and was in a stamp club. Her stamps come from all over the world even from countries that are no longer countries. Some of her stamps include animals, kings, queens, knights, space, boats, state birds, and dinosaurs and many more.

Michele became involved with stamps when her grandmother passed away and left her the collection. She became

interested in the value and found the book Guide to Stamps and learned what makes them valuable. Her favorite stamps include Helen Keller and seeing eye dogs due to her background with vision impaired children. She also told the kids how stamps are not just for letters and that they made stamps for other things like a tax stamp, or air mail.

The kids then enjoyed cookies made to look like stamps made by Vivian Wooten.

The library would like to thank Helen and Michele for the time they took to speak to our kids. Don't forget Wednesday, July 19th is build a cupcake day.



Cancer Walk Slated for Saturday, October 7th

The Cross Plains Community Cancer Walk is scheduled for Saturday, October 7th on the Cross Plains ISD Football Field.

The event brings together churches, organizations and community members united to raise money for the local Cancer Fund, which is used for transportation expenses for cancer patients.

Clothes Closet Open Saturday

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.

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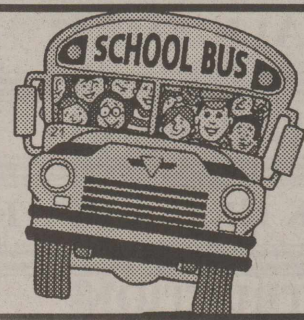
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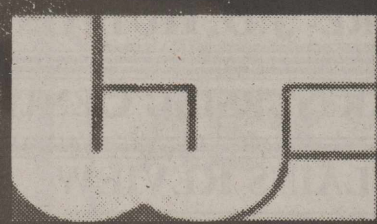
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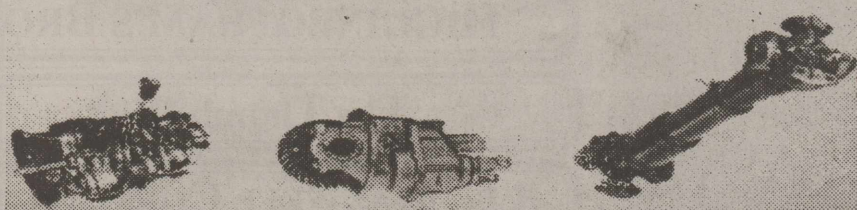


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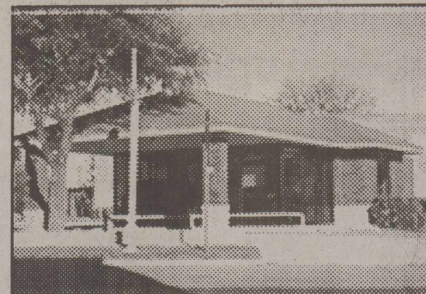
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July 13, 2017
The Cross Plains I.S.D. Board of Trustees met in a regular meeting with the following members present: Jack Shepard, Porcious Potter, Davy Crockett, John McWilliams, Michael Cowan, and Roy Richey. Bryan Bennett was absent.

The following administrators and guests were also in attendance: Supt. Phil Mitchell, Elementary Principal Leslie Lawrence, and community members.

Prayer was led by Jack Shepard.

Motion was made by McWilliams and seconded by Shepard that we accept minutes.

Cowan moved that the property tax rate be increased by the adoption of a tax rate per hundred dollars valuation of \$1.17 for Maintenance and Operations (M&O), of \$0.00 for Interest and Sinking (I&S), for a total rate of \$1.17, which is effectively a 16.7 percent increase in the tax rate.

THE TAX RATE WILL RAISE MORE TAXES FOR MAINTENANCE AND OPERATIONS THAN LAST YEAR'S TAX RATE. THE TAX RATE WILL EFFECTIVELY BE RAISED BY 4.9 PERCENT AND WILL RAISE TAXES FOR MAINTENANCE AND OPERATIONS ON A \$100,000

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The motion was seconded by Crockett. For /Against 0

Motion was made by Shepard and seconded by McWilliams to approve order calling for a tax ratification election on August 26, 2017. For 6/Against 0

Motion was made by Cowan and seconded by Shepard to have polling place at the Cross Plains Community Center. Election Judge John Swift, Early Voting Clerk Debbie Gosnell, and Early Voting Place Cross Plains City Hall. (Due to Secretary of State regulations, the City will be unable to contract to handle the election. This will change the voting places. The Board has called a special meeting for Wednesday, July 19, at 8:00 p.m.) For 6/Against 0

Motion was made by McWilliams and seconded by Cowan that the district will pay \$342.00 for employee's health insurance. For 6/Against 0

Motion was made by Crockett and seconded by McWilliams to accept student transfers. For 6/Against 0

Motion was made by Shepard and seconded by McWilliams that we go with PEAT for property, vehicle, and liability insurance. For 6/Against 0

Motion was made by Cowan and seconded by Crockett that we adjourn. For 6/Against 0

Summer Reading Program: Building A Cupcake on Wednesday, July 19th

The Cross Plains Public Library Summer Reading Program continues on Wednesday, July 19th with "Building a Cupcake". Students can have fun every Wednesday afternoon learning and building bird houses, cup cakes, stamp collections and signs.

The Summer Reading Program ends on August 2nd with the very popular "Splash

in the Park".
The remaining summer reading programs:
July 19th - Building a Cup Cake
July 26th - Building Signs and Posters
August 2nd - Splash in the Park
All of the programs start at 1:30 p.m.

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AgriLife Extension sets White-tailed Deer Summit August 3rd in Abilene

ABILENE - The Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service in Taylor County will conduct the White-tailed Deer Summit Aug. 3 in the Big Country Hall in Abilene.

Big Country Hall is next to the AgriLife Extension offices on the grounds of the Taylor County Expo Center, 1982 Lytle Way, Abilene, TX 79602.

The event will consist of two sessions: Session 1, Managing Property for White-tailed Deer, from 1:30 - 5:00 p.m. and Session 2 from 5:30 - 9:00 p.m. to highlight keys for Hunting Season Success. Participants are encouraged, but not required to attend both sessions.

"We've scheduled this program to help our landowners improve their management strategies for white-tailed deer and to help hunters ensure a successful hunting season," said Thomas Cunningham, AgriLife Extension assistant agent in Taylor County. "All the presentations will be timely and delivered by speakers with firsthand knowledge of their respective topics. It should be interesting for anyone - hunters, landowners and managers - with white-tailed deer interests in our region."

Session 1 topics and speakers will include:

- Managing Free-Range White-tailed Deer, Genetics, Nutrition, Herd Management, Dr. John Tomecek, AgriLife Extension Wildlife Specialist,

San Angelo.
- Deer Habitat Management and Managed Lands Deer Program Highlights, Annaliese Scoggin, Texas Parks and Wildlife Department Biologist, Abilene.

- Deer Management Research, Culling, Chronic Wasting Disease, Dr. Randy DeYoung and Dr. Aaron Foley, Caesar Kleberg Wildlife Research Institute at Texas A&M University Kingsville.

Session 2 will begin with an evening meal at 5:30 and will feature topics and speakers to include:

- White-tailed Deer Nutrition and Supplemental Feeding, Scott Hohensee, Wildlife Specialist, Purina Animal Nutrition, New Braunfels

- White-tailed Deer Hunting Lease Management and Working with Outfitters, Greg Simons, Wildlife Biologist, Wildlife Systems, Inc., San Angelo.

- Preserving Our Hunting Heritage and Ensuring a Successful Hunting Experience, Marc Bartoskewitz, Ranch Manager, Cook Canyon and Clear Fork Ranches, Ranger.

Individual registration is \$15 if you register by August 1 and \$20 thereafter. Registration includes both sessions and evening meal.

For more information, contact the AgriLife Extension office in Taylor County at 325-672-6048 or pre-register online here.

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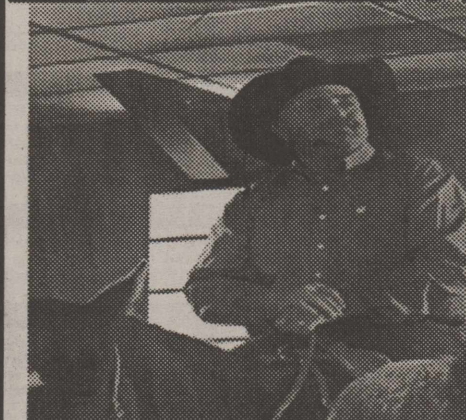
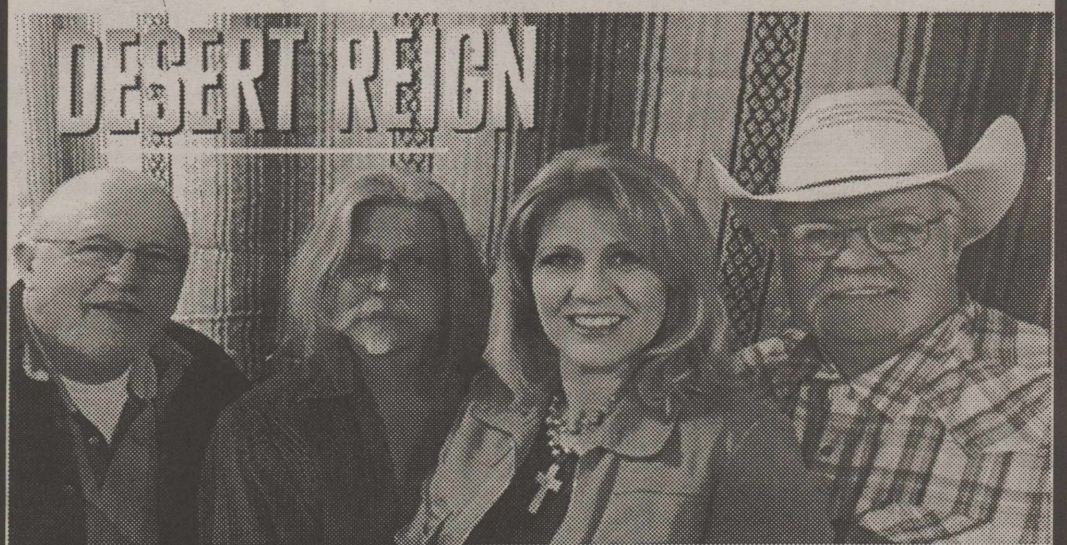
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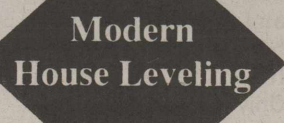
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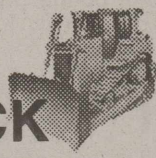
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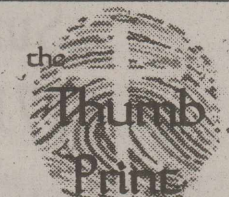
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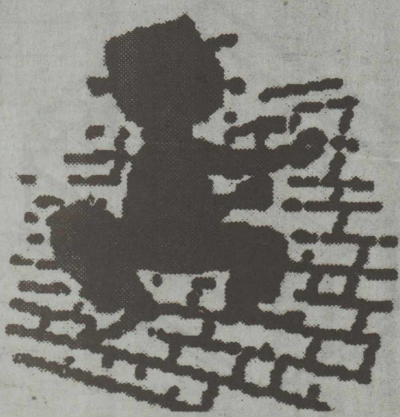
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The first book, Volume 1, has a little bit of everything in it: school photos, street scenes, gas station photos, family histories, and many other photographs.

Volume 2, has many family histories and family photographs, as well as, a little bit of everything else. And, many, many photos.

Volume 3 focuses on the ranches around Cross Plains that have been in businesses for 100 years or more, as well as, rodeo photographs, veterans photos, photos of Cottonwood, Pioneer and surrounding areas and other photos.

Each book is 352 pages and contains hundreds of photographs. At \$20 each, they are a great value. The books, printed in 2011 and 2012, will not be reprinted.

Cross Plains Remembered, Volumes 1, 2 and 3 are available at Texas Heritage Bank, the Senior Center, Salamander's, Lawrence Farm and Ranch Supply, Cross Plains Review, Cross Plains Library and Connie's Cuts and Curis.

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4-H Photography Exhibit on Display at the Senior Citizen's Center



4-H Photography Contest

The Cross Plains 4-H Club participated in the County and District Photography contest. The photos along with the ribbons are on display at the Senior Citizen Center. The 4-H members who participated in this event are Kynlee Clark,

Emjly Bisbee, Jolie Hutton, Brookley Lackey, McKenna Podlevsky and Jayden Shank.

We invite our community to stop by the Senior Citizen Center and view our photos. The photos will be on display until July 31st.

July Jubilee at First Baptist Church on Sunday, July 30th

The First Baptist Church will hold a July Jubilee on Sunday, July 30th, from 5-8 p.m.

Come and enjoy games for adults and children of all ages, including three-legged sack race, egg toss, egg and spoon, cotton ball and Vaseline, watermelon seed spitting, cow chip throwing, and tug of war.

Also, for more fun, there

will be a dunking booth, face painting, horseshoes, washer toss, and an area for dominoes and cards.

The kiddos will also have fun on a train ride.

Food for the evening will be hot dogs, chips, drinks and desserts.

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Wild About Texas

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White-tailed Deer

There are many claims about animals native to Texas that instill fear in folks. I can readily recall story after story of snakes that have "tried to chase someone to kill them". Or of hordes of Black Widow spiders hanging out waiting for some unsuspecting victim to attack. Truth be told, these stories are often erroneous and greatly exaggerated. There is, however, a wild animal that is endemic to this state that truly does pose a threat to humans, at least statistically speaking, and that creature just so happens to be the focus of a Disney movie entitled Bambi.

The White-tailed Deer (*Odocoileus virginianus*) belong to a family known as Cervidae that is distributed worldwide and comprised of 43 species, of which 3 are native to Texas. This species is the smallest cervid that calls Texas its home with adult males attaining a body length of just under 6 feet in length (including a tail that is just under a foot in length) and a top weight of around 150 pounds. Females are significantly smaller than mature males.

This hooved species can be observed throughout Texas, although it is undeniably more common in the Edwards Plateau and southern Panhandle Plains eco-regions. Outside of Texas it can be seen throughout most of the United States and the northern countries of South America. In addition to having such a broad natural range, it has also been introduced into many countries of Europe, as well as New Zealand, Cuba, Puerto Rico and other Caribbean areas.

As the common name implies, the tail of this ungulate is white, but only on the underside and along the edges of the top side. This key characteristic is most noticeable as an individual disperses from perceived threats with its tail held high. The coloration of the upperparts on adults of both sexes are dependent on the season: individuals are colored a light tan in the winter months varying to reddish-brown during the summer. The underparts are distinctly white, as are the rings around the eyes and muzzle. Juveniles, or fawns, are colored reddish-brown and are adorned with numerous random white spots that allow them to camouflage while at rest.

Adult females are typically antlerless, although statistics have revealed that 1 in every 10,000 may have antlers. The antlers on mature males will begin to develop in the spring and are covered by a thin tissue that is made up of blood-carrying tissues. This



White-tailed Deer (*Odocoileus virginianus*)

covering is often referred to as velvet. As the testosterone levels increase, and therefore as the mating season begins, the velvet is rubbed off on trees or anything else that is stable. This period of time is known as the rut.

There have been many theories over the years that have tried to explain the how's and why's of antler development, particularly the size and width of the rack. The most consistent explanation is that there are several internal and external reasons for the rack size. It turns out that genetics, weather, dietary habits, and calcium levels, among other, smaller factors, all contribute to rack size. The spread (the distance from one point to the other on the opposite side) can vary from a mere 6 inches to a whopping 2 feet. After successful mating, typically by the middle of December to the middle of February, the antlers are systematically shed.

After a successful mating encounter, the female will gestate the young for over 1/2 of a calendar year. The coloration of the 1 to 3 fawns will allow them to hide while the mother is away grazing; she will return to them several times a day to allow them to nurse. By the end of 3 weeks, the fawns are typically strong enough to follow the mother around on feeding excursions and will wean at about 3 months of age. The white spots will be lost during their first real molt in the fall. Males mature about two times faster than females and are ready to reproduce at about a year and a half of age.

The dietary requirements of this ungulate are pretty

straightforward - just plant a garden anywhere in the Hill Country and watch what happens! But aside from this, White-tailed Deer prefer to forage for plant varieties like grasses, weeds, live oak leaves and acorns and mesquite beans.

There has been ample controversy about the management programs for this species by state officials and even private landowners. As late as the early 2000's, studies were showing that the population of this prolific deer were approaching 4 million in this state alone. Last year, there were over 500,000 harvested legally in Texas. However, there are some who state that these harvest numbers may not be enough to allow for a sustainable strain on other native animals and plants. Others say that the numbers allowed for harvest are adequate to ensure other species survival. In the end, the only true statement on this hullabaloo that I can offer is that the White-tailed Deer is by far Texas' most important game animal, at least economically.

And this economic importance is not limited to just the legal harvest. I started this column off by mentioning the threat that this species poses to humans. In the state of Texas, less than 2 people are killed by venomous snakes annually. Contrast that with the almost 20 people who die annually due to automobile crashes involving White-tailed Deer. In Llano county, for example, it has been reported that there are up to 5 vehicular-deer incidents per day during hunting season. So I ask, just how cute is Bambi now?

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



THE BEACH BOYS TRIBUTE CONCERT COMING TO BROWNWOOD COLISEUM ON SATURDAY, AUGUST 5TH

'Surfin' The Beach Boys Tribute coming to Brownwood August 5th

Surfin' The Beach Boys Tribute comes to the Brownwood Coliseum in Brownwood, Texas on August 5th for a fantastic night of entertainment. Coming all the way from California, Surfin' takes you down memory lane with all the Beach Boys famous hits and more!

The event, which benefits the West Texas Rehabilitation Center is Presented by Central Texas Farm Credit; Entertainment Sponsor, KTAB NEWS; Stage Sponsor, Accurate Air Solutions. Additional support comes from Citizens National Bank of Brownwood, and KOHLER Company of Brownwood.

Surfin' is a band with a faithful recreation of what it would have been like to see The Beach Boys live, in concert, in their prime. The band has truly captured the essence of the original Beach Boys with stunning harmonies and the genius of Brian Wilson's music. This 5 member line-up is unrivaled in their sound, presentation, and professionalism. The

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Options for the evening event include Dinner & Show table seating or General Show Admission with upper Coliseum seats. Dinner & Show reserved tables of 8 are available for \$500 - individual tickets are \$75. General Admission tickets for the show only are \$20 now and \$25 at the door. For information, to reserve tables or purchase tickets, contact 325-660-8338 or 325-660-8334 or go to WestTexasRehab.org. General Admission tickets may also be purchased in Brownwood at Wendlee Broadcasting, KOXE Radio, or the Brownwood Chamber of Commerce, and the West Texas Rehabilitation in Abilene, Texas.

Instrumental in the success

of the event are program committee members Calvin Fryar,

John Guest, Anna Hernandez, Pecan Valley Kiwanis Club Members, Ted & Martha Shelton, Rex Tackett and Mariann Tackett, Dana Thompson, and Evy Winn. Local support of Surfin' The Beach Boys Tribute benefit includes: Wendlee Broadcasting-KXYL Newstalk FM & AM, KQBZ The Breeze FM, KSTA Coleman AM; KOXE FM-KBWD AM; and the Early High School Key Club. Host Hotel for this year's event is La Quinta Inn of Brownwood.

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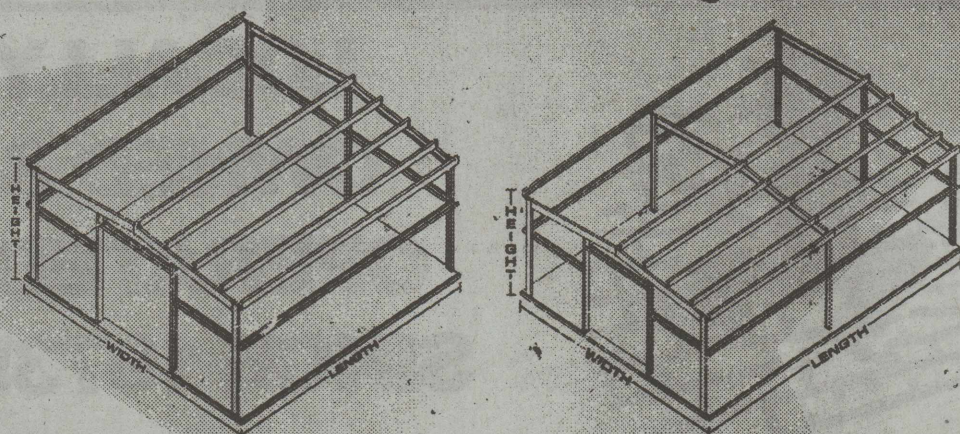
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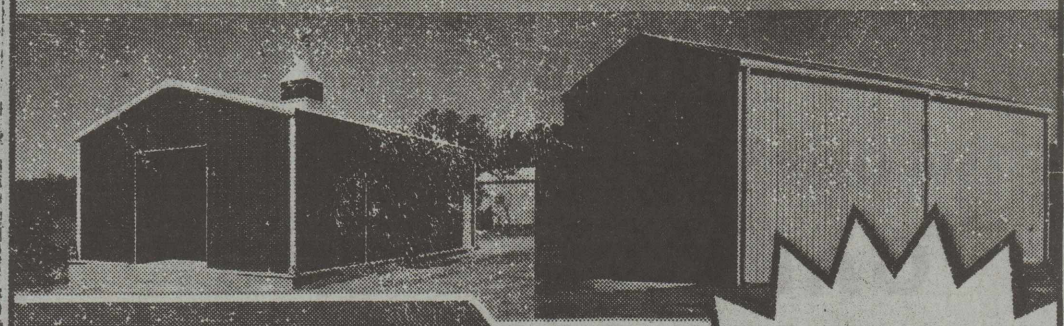
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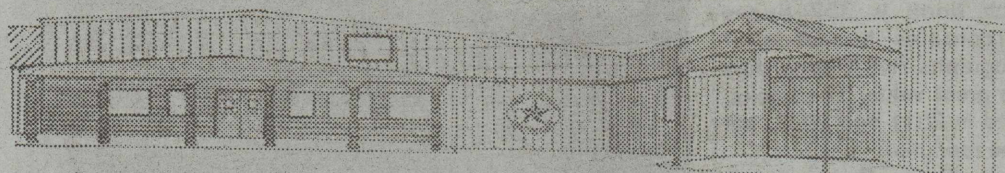


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For the Fancy Nancy we have 4 new ones: **Fancy Nancy & the Delectable Cupcakes**, **Fancy Nancy: Pajama Day**, **Fancy Nancy Sees Stars** and **Fancy Nancy: Time for Puppy School** by Jane O'Connor.

From the Past
Callahan County Clarendon
Saturday August 19, 1882,
Vol. III, No. 20

The Jail Site
We have been told that several of the voters are in a quandary to know should we succeed in carrying the election for Baird suitable ground will be furnished the county for her court house and jail. You can rest assured of that, gentlemen. -- Baird has a reserve in her survey, the most beautiful and slightly portion, a whole block of land expressly for the purpose of building a court house there on and a sufficient amount of land will also be furnished for a jail site. These statements will all be made solid before the election, so that we will not ask the voters to simply take our word for it. In addition to this we will state that the site for a jail here is vastly better than the one in Belle Plain, for here we have better drainage, which is something bitterly complained of by the jail keepers of Belle Plain.

Letter from Cat Claw
Ed. Clarendon: It has been some time since I wrote to the Clarendon and will now drop you a few lines.
All difficulty has ceased on

the creek and peace has been declared.

I learned that J. E. McNeary has moved to Belle Plain.

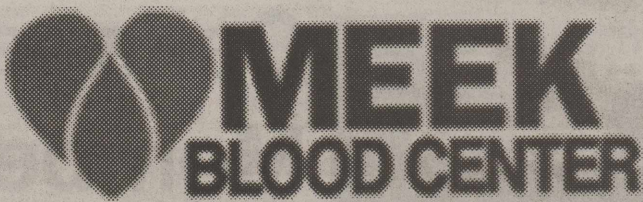
Mitchel & Eastham's thresher has just left the neighborhood. The Captain may talk about Turner's thresher making big runs, but the steam machine of the former can more than double discount it.

I was much pleased with your article in the Clarendon in regard to the county seat question. I think it is indisputable. A county that tries to support so many towns is like a hen setting on a bushel of eggs, she will spoil the whole lot and not hatch a chick. Baird must wake up, take the rocks out of the roads leading to her and improve them, for they are miserable, and the result is that neighboring towns get much of the trade which properly belongs to her. Now, gentlemen, you need the support of the whole county and the county seat to make Baird lively, and the way to get that support is to make good roads, so the trade can get to the town; this done you will certainly get both the trade and the county seat. You have the natural advantages, and if you try you will get the county seat sure. I, for one, will vote for Baird, believing that to be the right place for it. I would like to hear "Granger" express his views on this important question. I will close by saying success to the Clarendon. As ever, W. A. Glenn, Cat Claw, August 11th, 1882.

Cross Plains Community Calendar

July
July 17-20 - Vacation Bible School, First United Methodist Church, 6:00-8:30 p.m.
July 19 - Wednesday, Cross Plains Library Summer Reading Program, Building a Cupcake, 1:30 p.m.
July 20 - Thursday, Cross Plains Chamber of Commerce Banquet. First Baptist Church Family Life Center. 6:30 p.m.
July 20 - Thursday, Advanced Planning Seminar, Higginbotham Funeral Home, 6-7:30 p.m.
July 26 - Wednesday, Cross Plains Library Summer Reading Program, Building Signs and Posters, 1:30 p.m.
July 27 - Thursday, "Sully" Book-to-Movie Event, Cross Plains Public Library, 6:30 p.m.
July 30 - Sunday, July Jubilee, First Baptist Church, 5-8 p.m. Fun and Games
August
August 2 - Wednesday, Cross Plains Library Summer Reading Program, Splash in the Park, 1:30 p.m.
August 18 - Friday, First Football Scrimmage, at Hamilton, 6 p.m.
August 25 - Friday, Buffaloes Scrimmage vs. Irion County, here, 6 p.m.
August 29 - Tuesday CPISD School Starts
September
September 1 - Friday, First

Football Game, Buffaloes at Menard, 7:30 p.m.
September 4 - Monday, Labor Day. Schools out. City, county, federal offices, banks and many businesses closed.
October
October 7 - Saturday, Cross Plains Community Cancer Walk, Cross Plains ISD Football Field.
October 9 - Monday, Columbus Day. School's out.
October 14 - Saturday, Community Wide Garage Sale, sponsored by the Cross Plains Chamber of Commerce.
October 31 - Tuesday, Halloween
November
November 4 - Saturday, Hunter's Feed put on by the Cross Plains Chamber of Commerce, Senior Citizens Center Parking Lot, 11 a.m.
November 11 - Saturday, Veteran's Day.
November 11 - Saturday, Lord's Acre, First United Methodist Church.
November 22-24 - Thanksgiving holidays. School's out.
November 23 - Thanksgiving.
December
December 7 - Thursday, Santa Claus Comes to Town & Christmas Parade, Kiwanis and Cross Plains Chamber of Commerce.



Blood drive in Clyde on Saturday, July 22nd

A community blood drive sponsored by the Cub Scouts will take place at the City Park on Saturday, July 22nd. The Meek Blood Center bloodmobile will be there from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. "There is no substitute for blood. Our volunteer donors provide 100% of the blood that is used for patient care in 17 area hospitals," said Frances Baker, donor recruiter. "Blood donors give the precious gift of

life, which allows someone to have another birthday, another anniversary or another holiday with family and friends," Baker continued.

Each donor will receive a T-shirt, as well as a complimentary total cholesterol test. Those who have eligibility questions may call 325-670-2880. For the latest news and updates follow us at facebook.com/meekbloodcenter.

Cross Plains Public Library News

Library Hours

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July 10-13, 2017

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Callahan County Food Camp

Callahan County 4-H Club will be hosting a food camp on July 31st from 4:00pm-8:00pm at the 1st Baptist Church in Cross Plains. The County and District Food Show rules and regulations will be discussed. The basic knowledge of nutrition and measurements are very important to know in order to have a well balanced and tasteful meal. We will be preparing a fruit pizza. The cost of Food Camp is \$5:00. We invite everyone to join us for this tasteful event. Texas Agri Service 325-854-5835 by July 21st to make sure we have enough supplies. You do not have to be a 4-H member to join us.

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Senior Citizens Center Activities

July 24th - July 28th

Monday-24th- Exercise 11:00/Music Jam 6:00 pm
Tuesday-25th Exercise 11:00/Game Night 6:00
Wednesday-26th Exercise 11:00/Blood Pressure Check with Kindred at Home of Eastland
Thursday-27th Exercise 11:00
Friday-28th 11:15 Bingo with Cisco Nursing Home
Cross Plains Senior Citizens Center seeks to nurture our aging population through nutritional, social and educational programs our goal is for all Seniors, both well and frail, to utilize our services to enrich their lives.

SENIOR CITIZENS MENU

July 24th - July 28th

Monday 24th-Ham & Cheese Wraps, Pasta Salad, Chips, Dessert
Tuesday 25th -Baked Chicken, Sweet Potatoes, Corn, Bread, Dessert
Wednesday 26th-Salisbury Steak, Potatoes with gravy, Broccoli, Bread, Dessert
Thursday 27th- Vegetable Beef Soup, 1/2 Pimento Sandwich, Crackers, Fruit, Dessert
Friday 28th-Fish Sandwich with tater sauce, Baked Beans, Chips, Dessert

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

School Starts on Tuesday, August 29th



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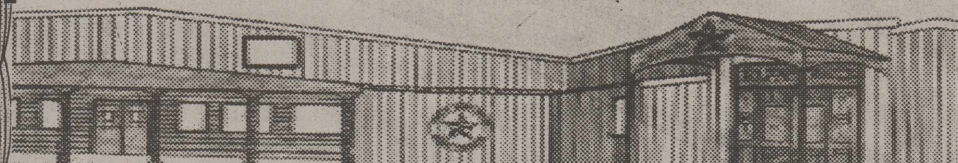


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4-H Kids Go To Camp - Jayden Shank, Bentley Hall, Virginia Allen, Ryli Hollis, Shyla Lewis and McKenna Podlevsky attended 4-H Camp in Brady last week. Ryli is with the Baird 4-H; the rest of the kids are with the Cross Plains 4-H.

Callahan County 4-H Members attend Camp

Callahan County 4-H members attended the District 7 Multi County Camp.

Camp was held at the Heart of Texas Bible Camp in Brady Texas on July 12-14, 2017. Members representing the Cross Plains 4-H club were McKenna Podlevsky, Jayden Shank, Virginia Allen, Shyla Lewis and Bentley Hall. Ryli

Hollis represented the Baird 4-H Club. County Agent Karl Winge and Christine Allen adult volunteer joined the members.

The Western themed activities included learning to line dance, archery, BB Gun, roping and bucking bull.

The McCullough County Game Warden gave an interesting program on predators in Texas.

Each day was filled with fun and games followed by a hay ride to the swimming pool.

Parliamentary procedure was made fun by using ice cream and toppings used to learn to vote and carry out a motion. Craft projects included making a rain stick. Along with making new friends we look forward to going back next year.

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Texas Sheep & Goat Expo in San Angelo set August 18th & 19th

The Texas A&M Agrilife Extension Service will hold a Texas Sheep & Goat Expo on Friday and Saturday, August 18th and August 19th at the First Community Spur Arena in San Angelo.

FOR MORE INFORMATION AND TO REGISTER ONLINE: <http://agrilife.org/westresults/> registration or please contact Marvin Ensor FMI (325) 653-4576.

Speakers for the Expo include: Matt Benz, Rambouillet Breeder, Kansas; Bob Buchholz, Rancher, Schleicher & Crockett Counties; Dr. Joan Burke, Research Animal Scientist, USDA; Clay Burson, Purina Animal Nutrition; Dr. Dawn Brown, Independence Farmstead Fibers; Paul Brown, Independence Farmstead Fibers; Craig Demere, Lone Wolf LLC, Tom Green and Coke County; Connie Dittmar, Rancher, Gillespie County; Dr. William Edmiston, DVM, Eldorado Animal Clinic; Barry English, Ranch Manager, Irion Land and Cattle; Preston Faris, Rancher, Sutton County; Grant Gills, Rancher, Kendall County; Dr. Ron Gill, AgriLife Extension Livestock Specialist, College Station; Dr. Scott Greiner, Extension Beef & Sheep Specialist, Virginia Tech; John Helle, Montana Rancher & Co-Owner of Duckworth; Dr. Andy Herring, Associate Professor,

Texas A&M University; Pauline Holmes, Fiber Artisan; Mike Jernigan, Jernigan Ranch, Pecos County; Ben Lehfeldt, Lehfeldt Ranch, Montana; Dr. Roel Lopez, Director-Institute of Renewable Natural Resources; Seco Mayfield, Mayfield Ranch, Sutton County; Dr. Allan McGinty, AgriLife Extension Range Specialist (retired); Randy McCrea, Rancher, Sterling County; Dr. Jim Muir, AgriLife Research Scientist, Stephenville; Bonnie Nauman, Angora Goat Breeder, Bandera County; Dan Persons, Sheep Producer and US Sales Rep for Shearwell Data; Dr. Ronald Pope, AgriLife Research Scientist, San Angelo; Dr. Reid Redden, AgriLife Extension Sheep & Goat Specialist; Dr. Larry Redmon, AgriLife Extension Forage Specialist, College Station; Dr. Shawn Ramsey, Professor, Texas A&M University; Brad Roeder, AgriLife Extension Agent, Gillespie County; Steve Sturtz, Working Dog Breeder & Trainer, San Angelo; Marty Vahlenkamp, AgriLife Extension Agent, Hood County; Dr. Dan Waldron, AgriLife Research Scientist, San Angelo; Dr. John Walker, AgriLife Research Scientist & Resident Director; and Dr. Travis Whitney, AgriLife Research Scientist-Animal Nutrition.

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Cross Plains' 2017 retail sales up 4% from 2016

The City of Cross Plains' one percent city sales tax payments in 2017 are just over four percent higher than 2016, according to the Texas State Comptroller's office.

Texas State Comptroller Glenn Hegar reported the city's sales tax payment on Wednesday, July 12th.

Cross Plains' 2017 sales tax payments for the year totaled \$129,697.43, which is 4.58 percent higher than the \$124,012.05 in sales tax rebate payments collected in 2016.

The payment to the city for July 2017 was \$17,647.91, which is 7.28 percent higher than the \$16,448.88 payment made to the city in July 2016.

Texas Comptroller Glenn Hegar announced today he will send cities, counties, transit systems and special purpose taxing districts \$679.9 million in local sales tax allocations for July, 9 percent more than in July 2016. These allocations are based on sales made in May by businesses that report tax monthly.

"The cities of Houston, San Antonio, Dallas, Austin, Fort Worth, Midland and Odessa saw noticeable increases in sales tax allocations," Hegar said.

Hegar sent Texas cities \$439.8 million in July 2017, which is higher by 8.0 percent compared to July 2016 and higher by 3.2 percent year-to-date.

He reported \$41.3 million in July 2017 allocations to Texas counties, which is higher by 14.0 percent compared to July 2016 and higher by 3.5 percent year-to-date.

The Texas transit systems received \$153.8 million in July 2017 sales tax allocations, which is 7.9 percent higher than July 2016 and higher by 3.9 percent year-to-date.

Special Purpose Taxing Districts received \$45.1 million in July 2017 allocations, which is 20.1 percent higher than July 2016 and higher by 12.1 percent year-to-date.

Total sales tax allocations were \$679.9 million in July 2017, which is 9.0 percent higher than July 2016 and higher by 3.9 percent year-to-date.

The sales tax figures represent monthly sales made in June by businesses that report tax monthly.

For details of July sales tax allocations to individual cities, counties, transit systems and special purpose districts, locate the Monthly Sales Tax Allocation Comparison Summary Reports on the Comptroller's Web site at <http://comptroller.texas.gov/taxinfo/allocation/compsum.html>.

CROSS PLAINS SALES TAX PAYMENTS		
	2016	2017
Total yearly sales tax payments	\$124,012.05	\$129,697.43
Total monthly sales tax payments	\$16,448.88	\$17,647.91

Other Callahan County towns reporting sales tax payments for this month include:

—The City of Baird reported that sales tax payments in 2017 started the year 3.16 percent higher than the 2016 payments. The city has received \$164,403.07 in 2017, while the 2016 tax payments to the city totaled \$159,353.13.

Baird's monthly payment for July 2017 was \$22,018.75, which is 9.22 percent higher than the \$20,159.34 payment made to Baird in July 2016.

—The 2017 sales tax payments in the City of Clyde are 1.63 percent lower than the payments to the city in 2016. The sales tax rebates for the City of Clyde have amounted to \$392,395.73 in 2017. The 2016 payments to the city during the same payment period were \$398,906.35.

The City of Clyde's monthly payment for July 2017 was \$43,678.73, which is 15.42 percent lower than the \$51,645.56 payment made to the city in July 2016.

—The City of Putnam reported the 2017 payments to the town totaled \$4,167.81, which is lower by 7.98 percent from the 2016 payments to the city in the amount of \$4,529.66.

Putnam's tax payment for the month of July 2017 was \$464.43, which is 12.60 percent lower than the \$531.41 payment made to Putnam in July 2016.

Merchants collect the state and local sales tax and send it to the Comptroller's office with their tax returns. The state keeps its 6 1/4 percent share and returns the local one percent sales tax each month to the local governments. Cities and counties may levy a combined tax of up to two percent above the state's sales tax.

Clyde businesses collect 2.00%, including one percent for the City of Clyde, one-half of one percent for the Clyde Economic Development Corporation and one half of one percent to reduce property taxes

(Proceeds to benefit the Clyde Volunteer Fire Department).

Cross Plains collects 2.00% in local sales taxes, of which 1.00 percent is allocated to the city and 1.00% is allocated for economic development in the town.

Baird collects 2.00% in local sales tax of which 1.00% is allocated to the city, 0.50% is allocated to the community's economic development corporation and 0.50% of one percent to reduce property taxes.

Putnam collects 1.00% in local sales tax of which all 1.00 percent is allocated to the city.

All local sales taxes must be approved by local voters and may be used for any legal city or county expenses. Most areas put the money in their General Fund and use it for normal operations like fire fighting, maintaining roads and law enforcement, the Comptroller said. Some cities use up to an additional one percent of city sales tax to help fund local economic development and to reduce property taxes.



4-H Youth Food & Nutrition Camp

Taylor County 4-H will be offering a Youth Food & Nutrition Camp on Tuesday, August 1st from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. The camp will be held at the Taylor County Extension Office located on the Taylor County Expo grounds in Abilene. Registration deadline is Noon - Tuesday, July 25. To reserve a space in the camp, call the Taylor County Extension Office at 325-672-6048. Cost for the day is \$5 for 4-H members and \$15 for non-members, which includes lunch and supplies. Youth must have completed the 2nd through the 11th grade to participate.

Participants will learn about food preparation and equipment as well as kitchen safety through demonstrations and hands on activities while preparing their lunch. Campers will also learn about good nutrition based on the MyPlate food guidance system which emphasizes more vegetables, fruit and whole grains in the daily diet. All participants will receive a packet with nutrition information and recipes at the end of the camp.

For more information on the camp or to register, contact the Taylor County Extension Office - 325-672-6048.



New Librarian for Cross Plains

We're very pleased to have to hire Becky Collier as our new librarian at the Cross Plains Public Library. She's quickly on to library work really quickly, aided by a good brain and loads of common sense. We asked her for a short biography for this article, and she did such a great job, we decided to let her introduce herself.

"Some of you already know me because I am a Cross Plains native and graduated from CPHS in 1997. I have been married for 20 years to a great catch named Jason Collier. We have three kids: Jordan who is currently enrolled with The Texas Massage Academy in Brownwood, Jacob who is a junior at CPHS, and Jody, a 7th Grader at CPJH.

I have an Associate of Arts Degree and was on active duty in the Air Force, stationed at McGuire AFB, New Jersey. That was almost like being on

foreign soil for a Texan!

We live north of town at Nimrod and have an 86-acre farm where we raise hogs, cattle and a few chickens. I love to travel and see new places and love the ocean - the smell, the sound of the waves crashing, and the birds calling in the air. I am a football fan and I guess my favorite team is the Buffaloes - that might be because #54 is my favorite player, and I never miss a game. I also have a love/hate relationship with the Dallas Cowboys; we had season tickets for many years but the heartbreak of losing was just too much...

I hope you'll come and meet me at the library and let me know how I am doing and if there is anything I can do to make our library better."

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Couple from Michigan visit Museum

Branden and Autumn O'Grady from South Logan, MI arrived in Cross Plains on the first leg of their round-a-bout journey around Texas and New Mexico. The Robert E. Howard Museum has been on Branden's bucket list for many years after having discovered Howard's stories when he was a teen-ager.

He pretty well fits the mold of visitors these days.....30ish, Information Technologist with a large company and an avid reader of most of Howard's various characters. However, unlike the majority of visitors, he cut his teeth on Howard's westerns and the Breckenridge Elkins comic westerns.

O'Grady works at the Detroit Michigan branch of the Sumitomo Bakelite High Performance Plastics, which is headquartered in Japan and

has plants situated all over the world. It's no wonder he said he worked for SBHPP. The company produces all types of ingredients for a wide variety of plastics.

Autumn is a court clerk in Ann Arbor, mostly because South Logan is about the size of Cross Plains. In preparation for the next stop on their journey, she had stocked up on spray paint to use at the Cadillac Ranch. She was also excited about visiting the Windmill Museum in Lubbock and Branden was looking forward to seeing the UFO display at Roswell, NM.

Certainly an eclectic selection of tourist stops before circling back to DFW for the flight back to Michigan.

Every day, a new adventure at the Museum.

Summer Reading Program: Building Signs and Posters on Wednesday, July 26th

The Cross Plains Public Library Summer Reading Program continues on Wednesday, July 26th with "Building a Signs and Posters".

Students have had fun on Wednesday afternoons learning about miniature houses, touring the ice house and building bird houses, cup cakes and stamp collections. The Summer Reading

Program ends on August 2nd with the very popular "Splash in the Park".

The remaining summer reading programs:

July 26th - Building Signs and Posters

August 2nd - Splash in the Park

All of the programs start at 1:30 p.m.

Turkey Creek Rodeo Club Playday this Saturday, July 22nd

Turkey Creek Rodeo Club will be having their next (fourth) playday this Saturday, July 22nd and we would love for you to come out to compete or even just watch.

Signups start at 8:00 am and the events at 9:00, it is a great family environment, encourages the children to meet new friends, and is a lot of fun to watch as well.

The club has 5 different divisions, lead line, 6 and under, 7-9, 10-12, and 13 & up, competing in four different events: barrel racing, pole bending, horsemanship, and goat tying (sucker plucking or ribbon tying for younger riders).

Each division has riders with skills ranging from beginner to advanced. You don't have to be a member of the club to compete and entry fees are \$5

for one event, or \$15 if you want to compete in all 4.

The date of the last playday has changed to Saturday August 12, with a practice at 6:00 pm on Friday, August 11th.

There is more to the club than just playdays!! We hold ropings, sortings, even a Ranch rodeo. There really is something for everyone. Interested in finding out more about the club? Our next club meeting will be at 7:00 PM, Thursday July 27th, at the Cross Plains Community Center; stop in, ask questions, and meet everyone.

The membership fees are \$25 a year and new members are always welcome. Can't make the meeting? You can always contact Ginger at 1-817-694-7991 or follow Turkey Creek Rodeo Club on facebook.

Cottonwood Country Musical July 28th

After not having a Cottonwood Country Musical in June, I'm looking forward to the musical on Friday, July 28th.

The men of the Cottonwood Historical Association are setting up the big grill at the community center and are cooking those mouth watering hamburgers again.

The menu will be hamburgers, chips, tea, coffee, or sodas and desserts. The kitchen concession opens at 5 p.m. The monies from the concession go to pay for building maintenance and musical expenses.

As always, we will have a lineup of great musicians. One

of the musicians, Byrl Simron, who has been absent because of health issues is able to return for this musical. We are thankful for his healing and welcome his return.

Come to Cottonwood on Friday, July 28th and experience good grilled hamburgers and great country music.

The Cottonwood Country Musicals are held the fourth Friday night of each month.

Cottonwood, Texas is located in Callahan County on County Road 444 just off FM 880.

For any additional information, call Cookie Robinson at 325-660-5771.

Texas FFA Students Receive \$1.4 Million in Scholarships from the Houston Live Stock Show and Rodeo held July 13, 2017, Houston Texas

Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo leadership presented 70 Texas FFA students with \$1.4 million in scholarships during the Texas FFA State Convention in Corpus Christi, Texas, on Wednesday, July 12.

Chartered in 1929, the Texas FFA Association contributes to a model of secondary agricultural education in which students take part in classroom instruction and supervised agricultural experiences.

"When the very first Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo scholarship was presented to a Texas FFA member in 1957, a special tradition began between two great organizations," said Joel Cowley, Show president and CEO. "Texas FFA prepares students for future success through a diverse offering of educational programs, many of which involve some facet of agriculture, and we are pleased to contribute to the development of our future leaders."

Of the 2017 Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo Texas FFA recipients, 62 percent are female and 38 percent are male, with many students from cities with populations less than 500 people. In the fall, these students will major in 31 different fields of study ranging from agricultural economics to nutrition, and biomedical engineering to pre-law.

Each scholar receives a \$20,000 college scholarship, payable over four years.

This is the fourth and final

2017 scholarship presentation, for a Show total commitment over the summer of nearly \$14.3 million in scholarships to Texas youth. These scholarships represent a portion of the Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo's annual commitment of more than \$26 million to scholarships, research, endowments, calf scramble participants, junior show exhibitors, School Art participants and other educational programs. For more information on the Show's educational support, visit rodeohouston.com/Educational-Support/Commitment.

The Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo is a Section 501(c)(3) charity that benefits youth, supports education, and facilitates better agricultural practices through exhibitions and presentation. Since its beginning in 1932, the Show has committed more than \$430 million to the youth of Texas. For more information, visit rodeohouston.com and connect with #RODEOHOUSTON online via Facebook, Twitter, Instagram and YouTube for all of the latest news. The 2018 Show is scheduled for Feb. 27 - March 18.

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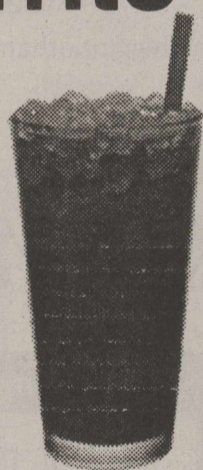
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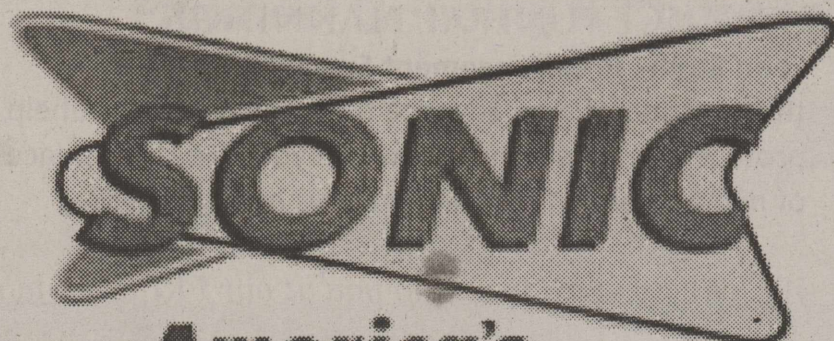
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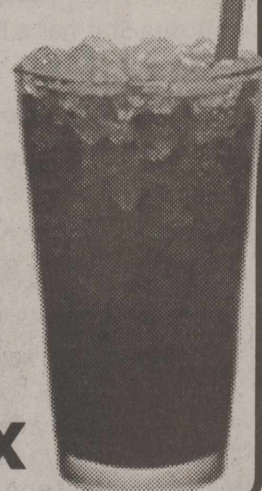
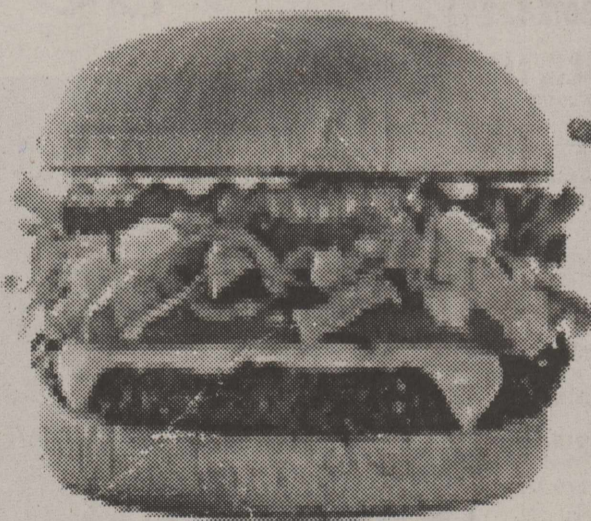
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Callahan County Commissioners' Court meeting minutes published

The Meeting of the Callahan County Commissioners' Court was held at its regular meeting place in the Courthouse on Monday, July 10, 2017 A.D. at 9:30 A.M., with the following officers present to wit: Roger Corn, Judge Presiding; Harold Hicks, Commissioner Precinct No. 1; Bryan Farmer, Commissioner Precinct No. 2; Tom Windham, Commissioner Precinct No. 3; Cliff Kirkham, Commissioner Precinct No. 4; Jan Windham, County Treasurer; and Nicole Crocker, County Clerk. Also attending: Tammy Walker, Tax Collector; and Michal Leddy, Citizens EMS.

The following items of business were transacted:

—The meeting was called to order at 9:30 A.M. by Judge Corn. All Commissioners were present.

—The minutes from the previous meeting were reviewed and signed.

—Under public comment there was none.

—No action was taken on the burn ban. The burn ban remains lifted.

—Sheriff Terry Joy and Deputy Rick Jowers presented the sheriff's report & overtime report. Commissioner Farmer made motion to approve the reports. Commissioner Hicks seconded the motion. The motion carried 5-0.

—Karl Winge presented the Callahan County

Extension Agent Report. Three 4-H members were also in attendance. Ryli Hollis displayed her Best in Class in Elements and Design in District 7 Photography Contest. Tara Kinslow and Kinley Martin spoke to the court about placing 3rd as a team at state in Senior Mohair Judging.

—Judge Corn called for a recess @ 9:50 A.M.

Court resumed @ 9:53 A.M.

—Commissioner Kirkham made a motion to approve the Callahan County Extension Agent's Report. Commissioner Windham seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

—Kelli Batangan with Citizens EMS presented the budget for 2017-2018. No action taken.

—Commissioner Farmer made a motion to approve the deputations in the Callahan County Clerk's Office. Commissioner Hicks seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

—Jan Windham, County Treasurer presented some budget amendments 2016-2017. Sheriff's Office requested that a few line items that are under budgeted be moved to a few line items that were under budgeted. Judge Corn made a motion to approve the budget amendments. Commissioner Windham seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

—Commissioner Farmer made a motion to replace the courthouse roof with 60 mil membrane with a 20-

year warranty and install new downspouts. Commissioner Hicks seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

—Commissioner Hicks made a motion to go ahead with the elevator platform & automobile barriers for the north parking lot area through Ken Hawkins or best price we can get. Commissioner Farmer seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-1 with Commissioner Windham against.

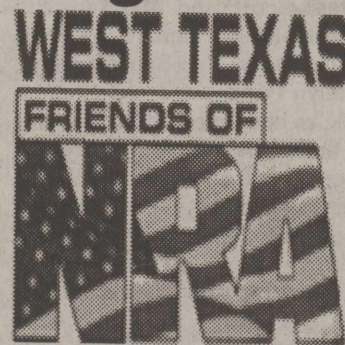
—Jan Windham presented the treasurer's report. Commissioner Kirkham made a motion to approve the treasurer's report. Judge Corn seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

—Commissioner Windham made a motion to pay the approved bills. Commissioner Hicks seconded the motion. The motion carried 5-0.

—Judge Corn read retirement letter from Cliff Kirkham, Commissioner Precinct No. 4, resigning effective July 11, 2017. Commissioner Farmer made a motion to accept Commissioner Kirkham's letter of retirement and resignation with regret. Commissioner Windham seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

—Commissioner Windham made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Hicks seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0. Meeting adjourned at 11:33 A.M.

Friends of NRA Banquet is Saturday, August 5th in Clyde



The Callahan County Friends of the NRA annual banquet will be held on Saturday, August 5th at the Clyde Chamber of Commerce building located on North First Street in downtown Clyde.

Doors for this year's banquet will open at 5:00 p.m. on Saturday, August 5th. The meal will be served at 6:00 p.m. Banquet tickets are \$25.00 per person and advance tickets are still available from any FNRA member, Bonnie Parkhill in Baird, Patrick Clark at Wildlife Nutrition in Cross Plains, at the Clyde Journal in Clyde, from Kevin Meier at Longacre Gun Shop in Abilene, and the Rowden Store in Rowden, Texas.

This year's banquet meal will be catered by 5C Smokehouse and the meal will consist of brisket and sausage, plus pinto beans, potato salad, bread, cobbler and tea or water.

This year's banquet will still hold the "Wall of Guns" bucket

raffle, live auction and the usual games played throughout the course of the night.

Raffle tickets are now available from any Friends of the NRA board member or can be purchased at the Clyde Journal at 312 North First Street in Clyde, the Rowden Store on State Highway 36 in Rowden and from Patrick Clark at Wildlife Nutrition Center in Cross Plains.

One rifle this year will be awarded to one lucky winner. This year's gun is a Ruger Precision .308 with Day/Night

Scope. This gun is currently on display at the Clyde Journal office located at 312 North First Street in Clyde.

Only 200 tickets will be sold. Tickets are \$20.00 each. The drawing will take place during the banquet on August 5th.

All proceeds from this year's Callahan County Friends of the NRA Banquet will benefit the NRA Foundation and the West Texas FNRA.

Again, this year's banquet doors will open at 5:00 p.m. and the meal will be served at 6:00 p.m. on Saturday, August 5th. The banquet master of ceremonies will be Jack Cannon.

Come join the fun for a good time and a good cause. Proceeds from the annual banquet are distributed to West Texas organizations. Previous organizations receiving funds include the Callahan County Shooting Sports and Callahan County Sheriff's Department.

The Texas History Minute

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Cross Plains native Robert E. Howard created the Conan the Barbarian series

Writers are often asked where their story ideas originate. It is a question that writers sometimes have trouble answering. The final product only comes from imagination and a lot of work. One of many great Texas writers, Robert E. Howard, had a significant cultural impact in a short career and certainly put in a lot of work. His publishing career lasted only 12 years, but he produced hundreds of stories. Guided by his imagination and love for storytelling, Howard became a popular writer, whose influence was felt far beyond his short life.

Robert Ervin Howard was born in January 1906 in Peaster, a tiny community west of Fort Worth. His father, Dr. Isaac M. Howard, was a physician. The family moved often but finally settled in the small town of Cross Plains, between Brownwood and Abilene, in 1919.

As a youngster, he absorbed the tales told to him, from ghost stories to folk tales to war stories from surviving Civil War veterans, and developed a great love of reading. In particular, he enjoyed reading tales of ancient cultures and civilizations. By all accounts, he had an excellent memory and noticed details very easily, but he disliked authority and often had problems with his teachers. He decided at an early age to be a writer. By the age of 15, he was quickly writing stories and sending them off to various magazines in hopes of being published. Like many young writers, he faced rejection after rejection for his stories. He pushed forward nevertheless, propelled by his own faith in his writing and his love of storytelling.

He moved to nearby Brownwood in 1922 to complete high school. He began writing for the school newspaper where his first stories were published. After graduation in spring 1923, he returned home and worked a series of odd jobs while trying to start his writing career. He briefly attended Howard Payne College in Brownwood.

In 1924, he sold his first story, the tale of a caveman called "Spear and Fang" for \$16 in a magazine called Weird Tales. Over time, many of his short stories were published in Weird Tales, which included short stories and novellas from the most popular science fiction and horror writers of the day. He enjoyed a warm correspondence with such famed writers of the times as horror novelist H. P. Lovecraft.

Howard said that he enjoyed

the freedom that writing offered and sometimes labored at his stories for up to 18 hours per day. In 1932, he sold the first of his Conan stories, creating a series of stories based on a mythical barbarian. He created similar stories with other characters, either a king building empires or a lone adventurer. Some of these tales took place in mythic lands while others took place in more modern times. His stories included tales of fantasy, horror, mystery, and westerns. His Steve Harrison series involved a detective and almost supernatural mysteries. By the mid-1930s, Howard was writing more western stories, including the bumbling cowboy Breckinridge Elkins and the more dramatic adventures of The Sonora Kid. Eventually, he was able to pull together a comfortable living from his stories.

Howard never married, but he did have a relationship with a local teacher, Novalyne Price. Stories of his erratic behavior circulated, and biographers have sifted through his works trying to find clues as to his final months and years. The collapse of his mother's health and her impending death deeply grieved him.

He was unable to cope with whatever internal demons continued to haunt him. In early June 1936, he bought a family cemetery plot in Brownwood and returned to his mother's bedside.

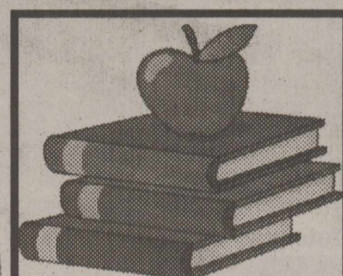
After she fell into a coma and after learning that she would not recover, Howard committed suicide. He was 30 years old.

Years after his death, Howard's works continued to enjoy a wide popularity, more than he ever had during his lifetime. Many manuscripts were found and later published. His works now appear in more than 20 languages around the world. Perhaps his most famous series became a series of movies starting with Conan the Barbarian, starring Arnold Schwarzenegger, in 1982.

Novalyne Price herself later relocated to Louisiana where she enjoyed a long career as a teacher and a writer. She published three books, two of which were about her memories of Howard. Her 1986 memoir of Howard, One Who Walked Alone, was adapted into the movie The Whole Wide World in 1996 with Vincent D'Onofrio and Texas actress Renee Zellweger.

Howard's home in Cross Plains has since become a museum, complete with the typewriter he used for so many of his stories. Each June, the community hosts "Robert E. Howard Days," a celebration of his works and impact on writing.

Dr. Ken Bridges is a Texas native, writer, and history professor. He can be reached at drkenbridges@gmail.com.



School Starts on Tuesday, August 29th

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Cottonwood News by Beverly Brown

The Cottonwood Musical is coming up next Friday night, July 28th. They will be grilling hamburgers outside. The kitchen opens at 5 p.m. and the music starts at 5:30 p.m.

The pre-teen group at the Cottonwood Baptist Church held a Bake Sale last Friday to raise money for teen camp. If you missed the Bake Sale and want to help out, you can send a donation to the Cottonwood Baptist Church, 9996 FM 1079, Cross Plains, Texas.

The Romania Missions Group has returned home. We are proud of them for the work they are doing. Those who went on

the trip: Erik Woodard, Mindy Estes, Scott and MacKenzie Byrd, April and Hannah Cowan, Grace Goode, Kelli Bennett and Katelyn Potter.

We've had reports of a couple of bulls missing in the area. Keep an eye on your livestock, because it seems like someone else might just be watching them too.

Because of the rain, the Burn Ban has been lifted. You can burn and weld, but please be careful. If you are planning a control burn, please call the Sheriff's office before you light the match. Their number: 325-854-1444.

Improvements at the New Firehouse

The front of the new CPVFD Firehouse has a new look with a concrete slab poured across the entrance to the building.

Pads were also poured at both

the north and south entrances, making access easier and keeping the dirt and mud outside the building.



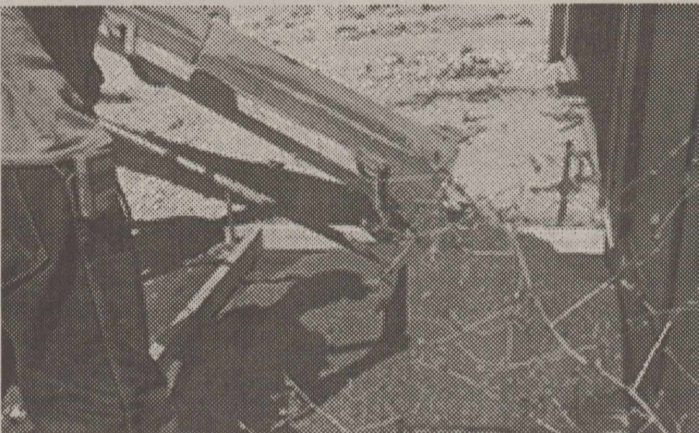
Pouring Concrete in front of the doors at the firehouse



The Cottonwood Baptist Church Youth Group held a Bake Sale on Friday at the Texas Heritage Bank Mozelle Richardson Room and at Hardwicks to raise money for the kids to go to Teen Camp.



The Front of the Firehouse has a new look with a concrete slab at the entrance



The concrete pad by the south door will allow for easier access to the building.

Game Night at the Senior Center, Tuesday, August 2nd

Tuesday, August 2nd is Game Night at the Cross Plains Senior Center.

The fun starts at 6 p.m. Enjoy dominoes, 42, board games or try your hand at shooting pool

Bring a covered dish or snack for a pot luck dinner.

Game night is the first and third Thursday of each month. Everyone is welcome to come out to the Senior Center.

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Courthouse News

Callahan County Court
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Misdemeanor Filings

Shane Albert Powell, assault causing bodily injury, family violence.

Belinda Perez Teran, driving while license invalid (DWLI).
Terry Turner, deadly conduct.

Jonathan Carrion, driving while license expired.

John Edward Norris, terroristic threat.

Edward Andrews, possession of dangerous drug.

Jeanie Marie Key, criminal trespass.

Hudson Tyler Mayo, assault.

Daniel Soto Martinez, driving while intoxicated (DWI).

Joe Anthony Salazar, possession of marijuana 2 oz. < 4 oz.

Joseph Nichols, theft.

Richard Garza, assault causing bodily injury, family violence.

Ethan Cole Stubbs, unlawful carrying of weapon.

Kristi Lynn Wortham, DWI.

Jesse Mendez Jr., assault.

Brian Guerrero Villareal, DWI.

Keylan Dean Braddy, assault.

Raymond Lynwood Grass III, assault.

John Wayne Hughes, assault.

Justin Bailey Key, DWLI.

Vincent Bernard Royal, possession of marijuana, less than 2 oz.

William Neal Black, assault causing bodily injury, family violence.

Layne Brice Dehls, possession of marijuana, less than 2 oz.

Mia Sara Munoz, DWI.

Mia Sara Monoz, deadly conduct.

Alvin John Denys Jr., assault causing bodily injury, family violence.

John Edward Norris, assault causing bodily injury, family violence.

Misdemeanor Minutes

Kenneth Carpenter, motion to dismiss to theft by check granted in the interest of justice.

Marriage Licenses

Rene Russell Cipriano and Nikki Tylene Lowe, both of Clyde.

Arlee Dean Hunter of Abilene and Deborah Dawn Henry of Clyde.

42nd District Court
James Eidson, presiding

Civil Filings

Sheri Catherine Smith and Cheryl Hicks Smith, divorce.

Joshua Don Mays vs. Jillian Diane Craft, injury or damage, motor vehicle.

Brandy Lee Bullard and Clinton Richard Bullard, divorce.

Christian Drake McGough, an adult, name change.

Justin Lee Clark and Stephanie La Nette Clark, divorce.

James Long and Augusta Long, divorce.

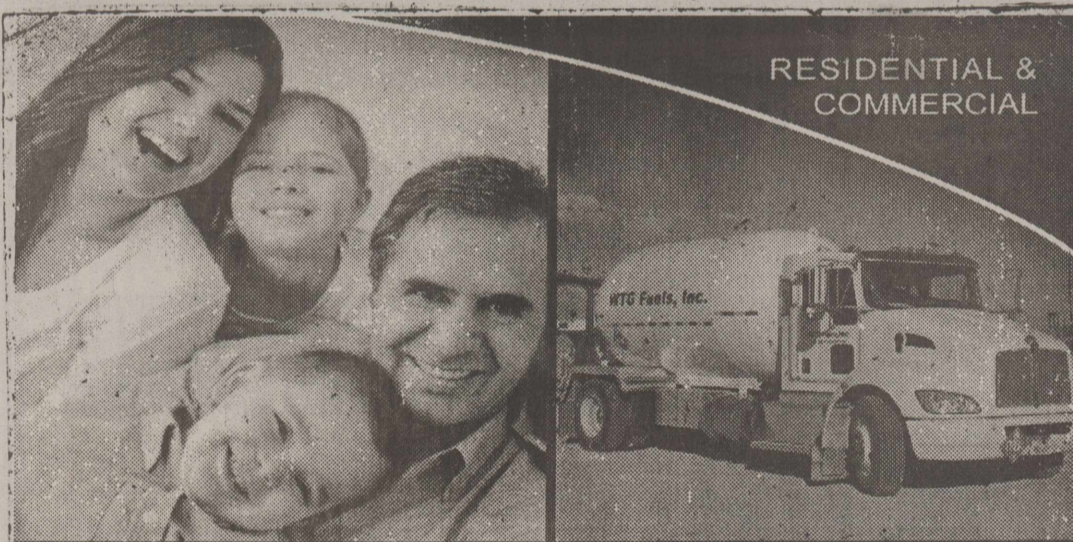
Cathlene Dyer Haley and James Robert Haley, divorce.

Daniel Cheek vs. Arlene Guerrero and Wellington Guerrero, injury or damage; premises.

Civil Minutes

William Shawn Bean and Andrea Shea Bean, divorce granted.

Rentia Evonne Mathis and Hoffman Ailes Mathis III, order granting nonsuit.



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1952-53 Buffaloes Football Team announced by Head Coach James Alexander: Kenneth Beeler, Joe Coppinger, Leonard Bodine, J. Oscar Koenig, Homer Robison, Kenneth Tennison, Carl McCord, Paul Lane, Elzie Wilson, Bobby Phillips, and Gene Bush.

W. B. Porter is stationed near the Buffer Zone in Korea. In a letter to his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ben Porter, he writes that he expects to be moved soon.

Cameron C. Sinclair is the new Church of Christ minister.

3,500 Old Settlers attend the Callahan County Old Settler's Reunion held here in Cross Plains.

You can have your car cleaned and lubricated at Dave Lee Gulf Service Station on North Main Street.

School Supplies are on sale at Bryan Variety Store. Lloyd and Mozelle Bryan, owners.

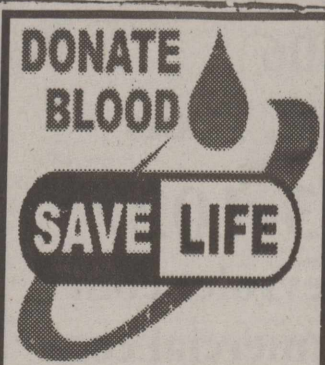
Mr and Mrs. L. W. Pancake and sons, Johnnie and Jackie leave for vacation in Kansas, Missouri and Oklahoma.

Howard McGowen on West Hiway 36 has five automobiles for sale.

T. R. "Dick" Montgomery has moved his Garage and Radiator Shop to the back of the Cross Plains Review building.

Mr. and Mrs. Luther Knight of Burkett celebrated their 50th Wedding Anniversary.

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