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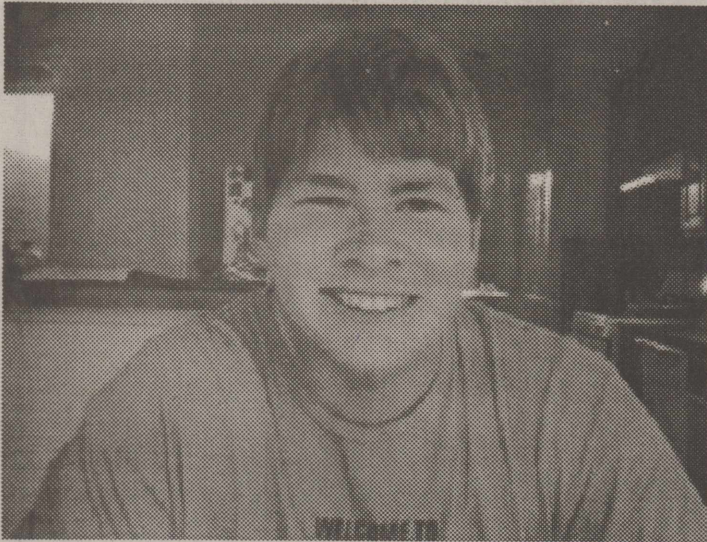


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## Andrew Wheeler needs Medical Treatment

Andrew Wheeler, son of Sherri Ball and Rickey Wheeler, has been diagnosed with blood clots on the right and left side of his body from below the knees up to his sternum with unknown cause. Andrew spent 4 days in ICU while the Cardiologist in Abilene was able to clear about 80% of the clot. A large clot still remains close to the heart at the Inferior Vena Cava. After consulting with specialist across the nation it has been determined that Andrew needs to see a Specialist in Arizona. This all came about very suddenly and at this time he has much difficulty even walking

and is unable to work. He has a long recovery ahead of him.

A Love Fund for Andrew has been set up at Texas Heritage Bank and donation jars are being distributed throughout Cross Plains. Please help Andrew get to Arizona so that doctors can examine and take care of this critical heart problem.

Andrews is the nephew of Tina and Curtis Wyatt, Carie and Robbie Wheeler, and April Wheeler, and is a brother to Chris and Brett Wheeler. He is well-known in Cross Plains and needs our help.

## Texas Heritage Bank to Serve Ice Cream Floats on Thursday, August 31

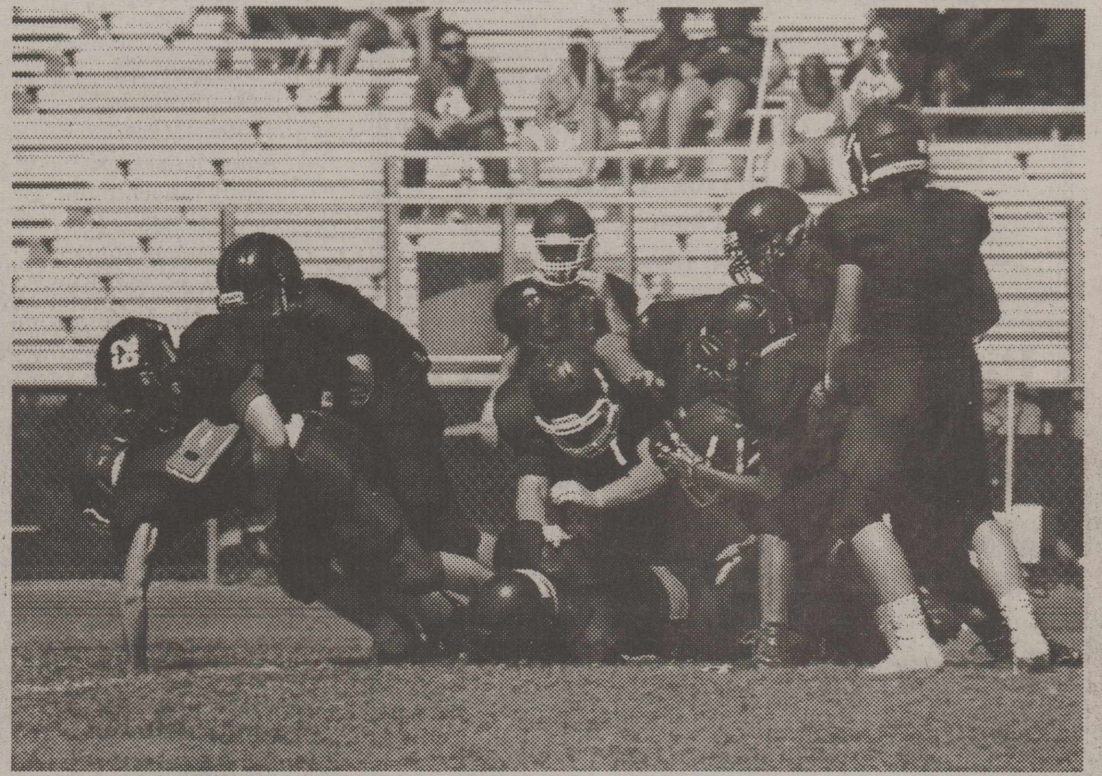
Texas Heritage Bank will be serving Ice Cream Floats to their banking customers on Thursday, August 31st as part of their Customer Appreciation Days.

Ice Cream Float will be served from 11 a.m. until 1 p.m.

## 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.



The Buffaloes Scrimmaged against Hamilton on Saturday Morning. Both Varsity and Junior Varsity had a good showing against the Hamilton Bulldogs. Photos inside.

## Junior Varsity to Scrimmage in Baird on Thursday, August 24th

The Junior Varsity Buffaloes will travel to Baird this Thursday, August 24th to scrimmage against the San Angelo Grape Creek. The scrimmage starts at 5:00 p.m.

## Escape Room at the Library

"Escape Room at The Library" is being planned for mid-October.

You and your partner will have ten quotes from ten books and you will have a set of clues as to where you can locate each book in the library. You will only have a glow stick as a light source and will be in complete darkness.

In order to escape the Library you must find all ten books. Prizes for top two teams. Spots are limited to call and reserve your spot today.



## ASAP After School Program Starts on September 6th

The ASAP program will be in full swing at the library starting the first Wednesday in September. All programs are from 4pm - 5pm.

Here is a list of what will be happening each month.

September 6: Let's Make Some Noise...All about music  
October 4: Pumpkin Painting  
November 1: Turkey Crafts and Food Bags for Senior

Center  
December 6: PJ's, Hot Coco and The Polar Express  
January 3: What is a Super Hero...Do they all wear capes?  
February 7: Valentine's Party  
March 7: Celebrate Earth with the Garden Club  
April 4: Bug Day...all about Bugs  
May 2: Cinco de Mayo Festival  
Schedule is subject to change.



Debbie and Don Gosnell couldn't keep from laughing at the stories that were told about Don at his retirement party on Saturday night. Photos of the storytellers and the party inside.

## Meet the Teacher Monday at Cross Plains Elementary

"Meet the Teacher" at Cross Plains Elementary School is Monday, August 28th, from 4:30 until 6:00 p.m. Come out and meet the teachers and see their

classrooms. You don't have to have children in school to come to "Meet the Teacher". Everyone is invited.

## Cottonwood Country Musical Friday, August 25th

The Cottonwood Country Musical is Friday, August 25th. Since the weather has been rather hot, we're keeping the meal light. On the menu will be taco salad, sandwiches, chips, tea, coffee, or sodas and desserts. The kitchen concession opens at 5 p.m. The proceeds from the

kitchen concession goes to maintenance of the building.

The music will begin at 5:30 p.m.

We have your favorite musicians scheduled for a night of great entertainment.

The Cottonwood Country Musicals are held at the Cottonwood Community Center,

Cottonwood, Texas the fourth Friday night of each month.

Cottonwood, Texas is located in Callahan County on County Road 444 just off FM 1079 and FM 880.

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

## Meet the Buffaloes Friday, August 25th

The Buffaloes face off in a scrimmage against the Irion County Hornets here at Buffalo Stadium on Friday, August 25th. The scrimmage starts at 6 p.m.

After the scrimmage, about 8 p.m., "Meet the Buffaloes."

The Buffaloes, Coaches, Cheerleaders, Band Members and Ms. Rasbury and Cross County Runners and Coach Allen will be introduced.

Then enjoy ice cream, cookies and desserts provided by the Athletic Boosters.

## "Wilvis" is Returning to Cross Plains

Join us for a 50's "sock hop" on Saturday, Sept. 16, to support the Cross Plains Public Library. Guys - don your jeans, t-shirts and leather jackets; gals - grab your scarves and put on the poodle skirts and Bobbie socks. The fun will begin at 6:00 p.m. in the First Baptist Church Family Life Center with a "drive-in" dinner of hamburgers/cheeseburgers, chips and ice cream floats. Then at 7:00 p.m. our friend

"Wilvis" will entertain you with Elvis' old tunes from the 50's and many more of his songs. We are also having an Elvis impersonator contest: sing along to a CD of his songs or just dress up like Elvis - or do both!! Winner will receive a trophy and bragging rights!

Cost is \$10 for adults and \$6 for children 12 and under. This program is suitable for all ages, so bring the kids and travel back in time with us.

## Cross Plains ISD Ready for School to Start on Tuesday, August 29th

Cross Plains ISD opens the doors on the 2017-2018 school year on Tuesday, August 29th.

Administration, teachers and staff have been preparing for the students and are ready to begin the new year.

The Faculty and Staff Assignments for the 2017-2018 School Year:

Phil Mitchell, Superintendent; Brad Jones, High School Principal; Leslie Lawrence, Elementary Principal; Linda Birdwell, Business Manager; Lurene McNutt, Superintendent's Secretary. High School Teachers and Staff: Michelle Allen, Science/Coach; Mykia Anderson, JH Math/Coach; Rhonda Atchley, JH/HS English; Janna Austin, HS English; Shawn Bullock, JH/HS History & JH Health; Keeka Byrd, Spanish/FCS/Art; Dade Cosby, Tech/Assistant Principal/Coach; Laura Cosby, HS Business; Elvan Goode, AG; Evelyn Harris, Library Aide; JoJo Morgan, Special

Education/Coach; Marc Morgan, AG/Coach; Ashley Moses, Special Education/Yearbook; Brandi Purvis, HS Science/UIL Coordinator; Daniel Purvis, Athletic Director/Government/Economics; Cathryn Rasbury, Band; Tracy Tipton, Coach. Stacy Jones, HS Counselor; Tammie Tension, HS Secretary/District Attendance Clerk; Jim Cook, School Resource Officer; Krisi Reed, District PEIMS Coordinator/HS & Elementary Registrar/Administrative Assistant; Rebecca Smoot, Custodian; Kim Thomas and Schrenia Carr, HS Aides.

Elementary Teachers and Staff: April Cowan, Pre-K; Deanna Golson and Janice Phillips, Kindergarten; Charlese Harris and Kelli Hyles, 1st Grade; Jamie Apple and Cyndi Beggs, 2nd Grade; Candie Morgan and Melissa Richards, 3rd Grade; Patricia Cook and Mindy Whitaker, 4th Grade;

Karri Shepard and Amber Shipman, 5th Grade; Stephanie Walker, 6th Grade; Becky Dillard and Paula Winfrey, RTI; Jennifer Gilligan, Special Education; Tracy Tipton and Michelle Allen, PE; Melinda Dixon, DYS; Cathryn Rasbury, Band; Debra Childers, Brenda Montgomery, Beverly Pope and Shawna Tollett, and Annette Tillery, Aides.

Amber Kleiber, Secretary; Verna Matthews and Tiffani Parker, Custodians. Cafeteria Staff: Barbara Barnett, Manager; Deborah Thomas, Loma Muniain, and Stephanie Thompson.

Maintenance: Clarence Tension, Supervisor. Transportation Director: Michiel Perez. Bus Drivers: Bud Dillard, Mitchell Atchley, Tammie Tension, Shawn Bullock and Rebecca Smoot.

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Sunday School .....9:45 AM  
 Morning Worship.....11:00 AM  
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 Youth Meet at Pool House.....6:30PM  
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Every Sunday at 10:30 am  
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**Al Taylor, Preacher**  
 Phone: 254-725-7522  
 Cell Phone: 325-370-6680

### Pioneer Baptist Church

**Pastor:** Dwaine Clowers  
**Music Director:** Barbara Jo Medley  
 Phone: 254-725-7574  
 Sunday School.....10:00am  
 Sunday Morning Worship.....11:00am  
 Sunday Evening Worship.....6:00pm  
 Wednesday Prayer Service.....6:00pm

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*Pastor Max Evans*  
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**Sunday Evening** 6:30 p.m.

**Sunday School**  
 9:30

**Wednesday**  
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**SUNDAY:**

**Morning Worship: 10:45 A.M.**

**Bible Class: 9:45 A.M.**

**Evening Worship: 6:00P.M.**

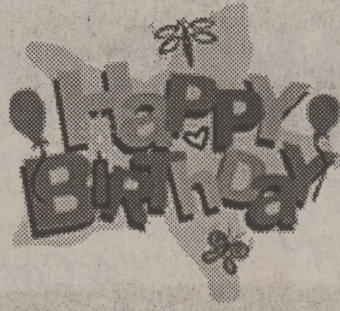
**Wednesday: Evening: 7:00P.M.**

**Ladies Class - Wednesday:**

**10:00A.M. (at the church activity center on East Hwy 36)**

**Office: (254-725-6117)**

**Cell Phone: Rick - (918) 348-6859**



#### August 27

Caley Box  
 Elisabeth (Cavanaugh) Weide  
 Micheal Cowan  
 Monty Champion  
 Bea Kay (Bell) Jackson  
 Gil Tabor

#### August 28

Gary Teasdale  
 Rex Tackett  
 Aaron Jason Pope  
 Billy Dolgener  
 Wade Odom  
 Dawn (Strength) Hilburn  
 Mrs. Freddy Tatom  
 Kim Gregory  
 Marrie Maartijn  
 Marcia Hoover

#### August 29

Grandy Christense  
 Susan Coppinger Cohn

#### August 30

Benjamin Ryan Pope  
 Giovanni Reyes  
 Melinda Dixon  
 Steven Lane Cox  
 Marty Calaway  
 James Ross  
 James Scott  
 D.T. Crockett, Jr.  
 Laura Holly  
 Donald Wilson  
 Carl Bludworth  
 Allen Barnett  
 Brian Clare  
 Kory Hartman  
 Ryan Glenn Payne

#### August 31

Jean (Bonner) McWilliams  
 Vicki (Stover) Strength  
 Nancy Harp

Billie Jean Barr Guilbeau  
 Danny Johnson

Terry Jean Vaught Kruger  
 Marie Harrell  
 Karen Richey  
 Rich Holder  
 Chester Phillips  
 Renee Byars  
 Randy Pope  
 Ernest Jay Hall

#### September 1

Terri Lynn Webb  
 Terrah Sky Augustine  
 Micheal Sadler  
 Jimmy Perry  
 Donald Willis  
 Mack Shepard  
 Traci Ann Dillard  
 Zoe Brandon Smith

#### September 2

Sharlla Payne Stone  
 Stacy Gale Montgomery  
 Stephanie Kay Edington

### Senior Center to offer a Matter of Balance Program

Have you noticed that you are not as steady on your feet as you once were? Do you have concerns about falling? Have you sustained a fall in the past and now restrict activities because of the concerns for falling? Are you interested in improving flexibility, balance, and strength in a fun, relaxed atmosphere?

The Cross Plains Senior Center knows the importance of staying active and protecting yourself from falls and is excited to offer the award winning program A MATTER OF BALANCE. This 8-session program will help participants, view falls and fear of falling as controllable, set realistic goals for increasing activity, learn how to change your environment to reduce the risk of falls, while promoting exercise to increase strength and balance. The program will be begin August 1, 2017 and it is FREE!

If you are age 60 or older, contact Dannes Turner or Leslie Wyatt for the details of this fun-filled program at 254 725-6521 or come by the Cross Plains Senior Center at 108 N Main St.

## VOTE AUGUST 26

Cross Plains ISD has called for a vote on a tax increase of 13 cents in order to fund school improvements to include a new band hall and a cafeteria renovation. Voting day is Saturday, August 26, 2017 at the Community Center from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

**What does this mean to you (the average property owner)?** If you own a home that is on the tax roll in the Cross Plains ISD, and the taxable value is \$50,000, then your taxes will increase by \$32.50 per year because of the 13 cent tax increase.

#### How is that figured?

\$50,000  
 - \$25,000 (homestead exemption) = \$25,000  
 \$25,000 divided by 100 (per \$100 of appraised value) = \$250  
 \$250 x .13 (13 cents) = \$32.50 per year

**What does it mean to the school?** In order to equalize wealth with rich districts like Austin ISD, the state of Texas rewards poor districts like Cross Plains ISD who are willing to pass a tax election. If passed, the additional 13 cents will be funded similar to Austin ISD. The school district will be rewarded with funding similar to the wealthy districts. Students will benefit from the highest levels of funding ever provided by the state that guarantee Cross Plains students the same funding as students in Austin and Dallas.

Local districts that have already passed a tax election are: Eula, Baird, Clyde, Early, Gorman, Zephyr, May, Bangs, Brownwood, Rising Star, Cisco, Coleman, Panther Creek, Santa Anna, and Blanket.

## City-Wide Garage Sale Slated for October 14th

Mark your calendars now for the City-Wide Garage Sale slated for Saturday, October 14th.

Start cleaning out your closets and storage buildings and planning your garage or yard sale.

Sponsored by the Cross Plains Chamber of Commerce, the City-Wide Garage Sale brings people into Cross Plains from neighboring communities to shop for bargains and spend the day in our town.

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### Home Delivered Meals Available

As we age and our health changes, sometime we may need a little help. The Cross Plains Senior Center offers home delivered meals Monday - Friday to residents living within a 2 mile radius of Cross Plains.

These meals are packaged and then delivered to the front door of home-bound persons over 60 years old. If you or someone you know could benefit by receiving a nutritious lunch please call the CrossPlains Senior Center at 254 725-6521.

If there are people in need of this service outside the delivery area, please contact us and we will explore options available. The Cross Plains Senior 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.

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### Rowden Baptist Church

**Pastor: Wayne Lenz**  
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 Sunday Morning Worship...11:00 am  
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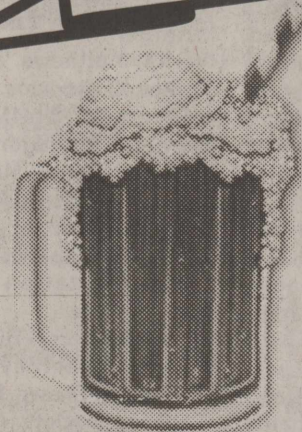
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## Businesses Provided Books for Jeremiah 29:11 Project

The local Kiwanis came to the rescue and donated \$300 toward the purchase of books to give away during the Jeremiah 29:11 Project this summer.

The Cross Plains Public Library provides these free new books to the children each year, but it is not a budgeted item, so we rely on grants and donations. No grant money was awarded this year, so the Kiwanis stepped up to help. Their \$300 provided 157 books (that's less than \$2/book) for our kids, thanks to purchasing from FirstBook.org's Online Marketplace.

In addition to the Kiwanis, local businesswoman Susan Schaefer, CPA, also provided the series "Impossible Quest" and the series "The Phoenix Files" for some of our teens.

Local business Rock Chalk Ranch purchased the "Black Ops" series, "The Star of Deltora" series, and a variety of Choose-Your-Ending books for teens.

In total, the library distributed 288 books and served 32 children. The library board would like to thank these donors and look forward to serving our kids again next summer!

## Seniors Enjoy "A Day at the Beach"

Wednesday was "A Day at the Beach" at the Senior Center. Everyone donned a floppy hat, grabbed a beach towel and a pool float.

Seniors enjoyed celebrating August Birthdays with cakes and cupcakes provided by Barr Fabrication.

Volunteers from the Cross Plains EMS and ResourceCare helped the seniors fill out the "File of Life" a card of emergency contacts, medical information and list of medications.

"A Day at the Beach" was a hit and everyone had a great time!



Ladies Ready for the Beach!

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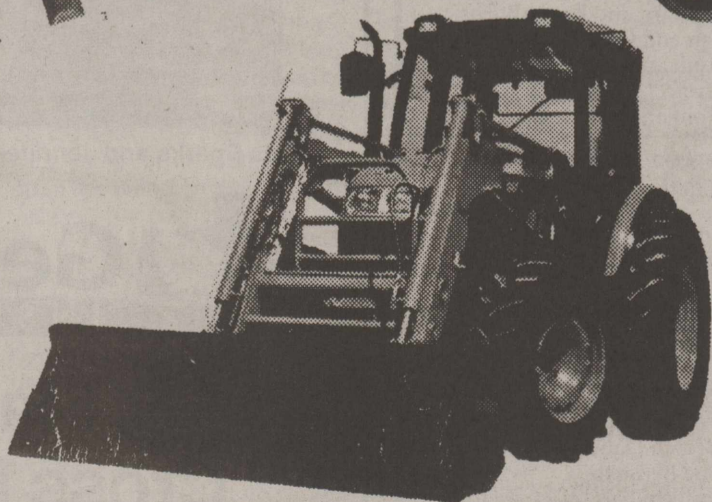
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Leslie Wyatt and Carie Wheeler cooking up a beach-inspired lunch.



Bob Kirkham visits with Sheriff Terry Joy during the lunch on Wednesday.

### Callahan County Library news

New books at the library are: *Vendetta* by Lisa Harris, *Don't Know Jack* by Diane Capri, *No Middle Name: the Complete Collected Jack Reacher Short Stories* by Lee Child and *The Late Show* by Michael Connelly (Large Print).

**From the Past**  
Callahan County Clarendon Saturday August 19, 1882

**Local News**  
Messrs. Claggett & James bought last week 1145 head of California ewes at Big Springs, for which they paid \$5 per head. These sheep are guaranteed to shear ten pounds of wool per head. These gentlemen have secured a bargain in these sheep which will no doubt, prove a splendid investment. Mr. Claggett left yesterday morning for the Springs to start this new purchased flock towards their ranch just north of town.

Our streets are in a very muddy condition, at least, we who are not used to mud, think so, would it not be well for the people of our town to take some steps towards having some sidewalks built or filling in done, so that pedestrians could go from one store to another, dry shod. Then, too, if the sidewalks which are built were kept free from all sorts of obstructions, there would be less danger of some one having a bill of damages to pay some time for a broken limb. And again we have been asked to call the attention of the public to the very filthy back yards in the business part of town. Can not these nuisances be remedied?

Our county is receiving additions to her population every day. They are pouring in from all quarters of the globe. All who see the country are satisfied to stay and make their home with us. Those coming from the north find that instead of coming to a "lot of cut-throats, thieves and robbers," they find here an element of society which is a credit to any community. We have had conversations with several lately and they all express themselves as very much and agreeably disappointed in finding the people, the climate the soil, all so much better than they expected to find here. Our "short grass" and fat stock especially is what astonishes strangers.

**Personal**  
Mr. John Bowyer, of Abilene, was in town last Thursday.

Mr. S. J. Cleary, formerly of this county, but now of Navarro county is in town.

Miss Ina Coppins returned home to Baird last Thursday from a visit to Strawn.

M. J. Blakely and his little daughter, Etta, returned from Denton county by yesterday morning's train.

Mr. R. L. Dunman, of Coleman, started for Hunnewell last Wednesday night to look after the cattle interests of his firm.

Mrs. E. S. Seay took the train for Abilene last Monday. She went to visit her parents and returned again in the evening.

Messrs. J. M. G. Baugh and Thomas Bennet were in town one day this week hunting for the mane who have bucks for sale. We put them on the track of three or four.

PUBLIC FAX (254) 725-7225



# Buffaloes Scrimmage Against Hamilton

The Buffaloes travelled to Hamilton to scrimmage against the Bulldogs for their first scrimmage of the season. Both the Varsity and the Junior Varsity had a good showing at Saturday morning's scrimmage.

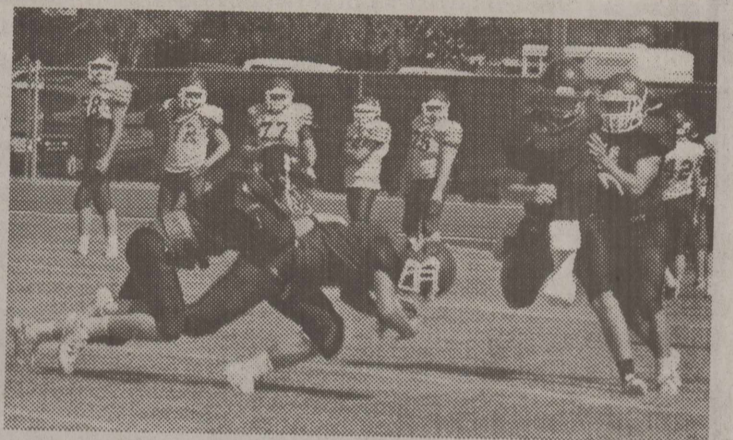
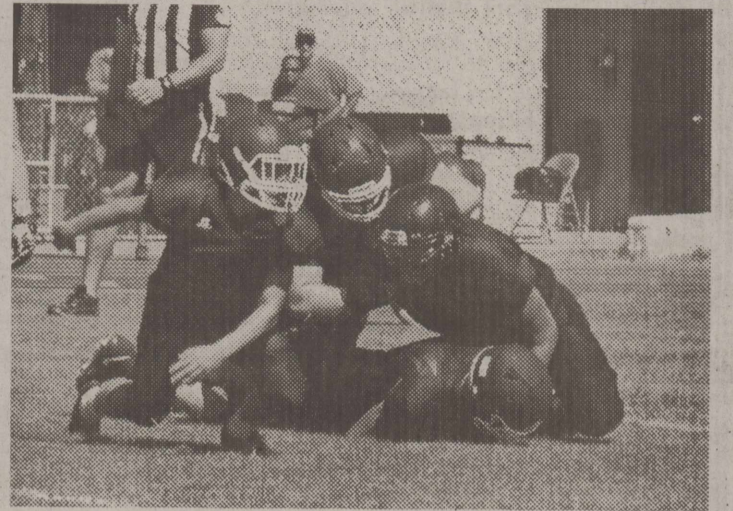
This Friday night, at 6 p.m., the Buffaloes will scrimmage here at Buffalo Stadium against Irion County.

Following the Scrimmage, "Meet the Buffaloes" will introduce the football players, coaches, cheerleaders, band members, band director and the Cross Country teams.

Ice Cream and Desserts will be served by the Athletic Boosters.

The first game of the regular season will be on Friday, September 1st, against the Menard Yellowjackets at Menard.

The Buffaloes will play here at home on September 8th.

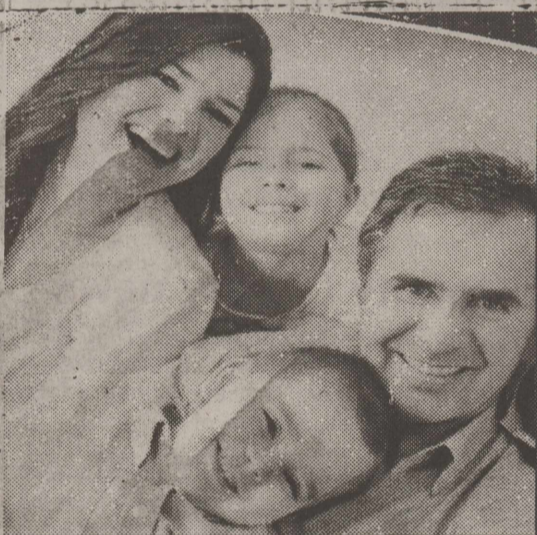


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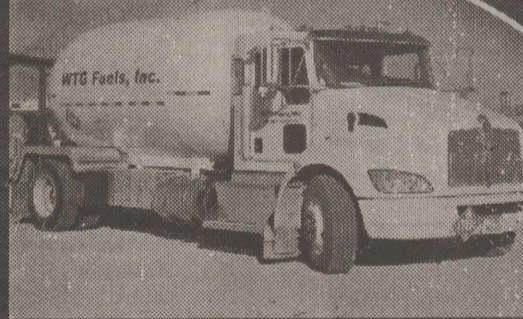
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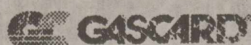
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Wed. 1:00 to 5:00pm  
Thurs. 1:00pm to 5:00pm  
Closed Friday

August 14-17, 2017

Patrons 53

Books Checked 54

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Wi Fi 2  
Computer 5

Reference 9

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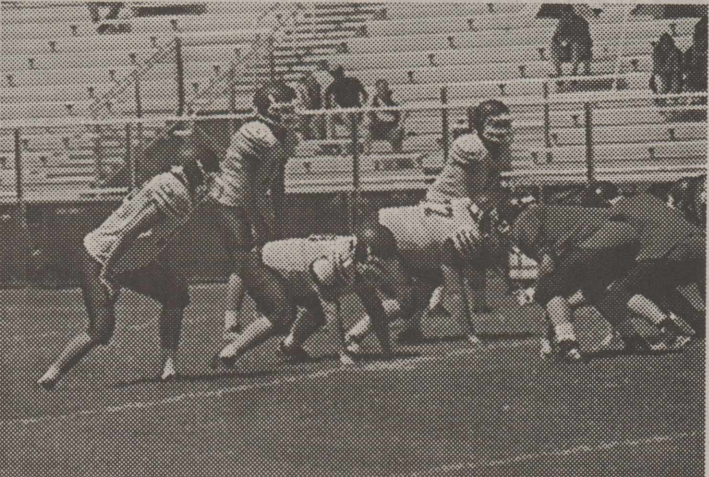
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# Junior Varsity Scrimmage Against Hamilton



## Buffalo Breakfast Schedule

- September 1 First United Methodist Church
- September 8 Cottonwood Baptist Church
- September 15 Cross Plains Church of Christ
- September 22 First Baptist Church
- September 29 First United Methodist Church
- October 6 Bye Week
- October 13 Cottonwood Baptist Church
- October 20 Cross Plains Church of Christ
- October 27 First Baptist Church
- November 3 First United Methodist Church
- November 10 Cottonwood Baptist Church
- November 17 Cross Plains Church of Christ (playoffs)
- November 24 First Baptist Church (playoffs)

Buffalo Breakfasts begin at 7:00 a.m.

## CPHS Varsity Football Schedule

- August 19 Hamilton there - Scrimmage (Saturday, 10 a.m.)
- August 25 Irion County here - Scrimmage
- September 1 Menard there
- September 8 Perrin-Whitt here
- September 15 De Leon there
- September 22 San Saba here
- September 29 Eldorado here
- October 6 Open
- October 13 Baird there - District Game
- October 20 Bronte here - District Game
- October 27 Albany there - District Game
- November 3 Winters here - District Game
- November 10 Miles there - District Game

Irion County Scrimmage start at 6:00. Games start at 7:30.

## 200 Cans of Food are Needed for Cancer Walk

The Cross Plains Community Cancer Fund needs canned goods to put in the Luminary Sacks that will surround the walking track at the football field on the night of the Cancer Walk, Saturday, October 7th. 200 cans of food are needed. After the Cancer Walk, the canned goods will be donated to the Food Bank and the Senior Citizens Center. Please help the Cancer Fund by donating canned goods in our collection boxes at Lowe's Market and at the Senior Citizens Center.

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## CPHS Junior High Football Schedule

- September 14 DeLeon here
- September 21 San Saba there
- September 28 Eldorado there
- October 5 Open
- October 12 Baird here - District Game
- October 19 Bronte there - District Game
- October 26 Albany here - District Game
- November 2 Winters there - District Game
- November 9 Miles here - District Game

All games are on Thursday. Games start at 5:00.

## CPHS Jr Varsity Football Schedule

- August 31 Mason there, 5 p.m.
- September 7 Perrin-Whitt here
- September 14 DeLeon there
- September 21 San Saba here
- September 28 Eldorado here
- October 5 Open
- October 12 Baird there - District Game
- October 19 Mason here - District Game
- October 26 Albany there - District Game
- November 2 Winters here - District Game
- November 9 Miles there - District Game

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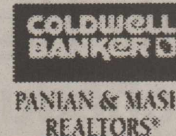
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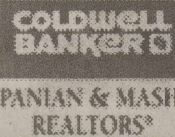
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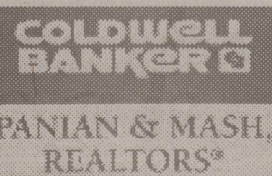
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The Cottonwood Musical is coming up soon on Friday, August 25th at the Community Center. The music starts at 5:30. Dinner that evening will be taco salad, sandwiches, chips, tea, coffee, or sodas and desserts. The kitchen opens at 5 p.m.

Pastor Kevin Morton visited

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## Cross Plains Community Calendar

### August

August 25 - Friday, Buffaloes Scrimmage vs. Irion County, here, 6 p.m. Meet the Buffaloes (and coaches, cheerleaders, band members)

August 26 - Saturday, Back to School Fair, Cross Plains ISD, 5-8 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.

September 6 - Wednesday, ASAP Program, Cross Plains Public Library, Let's Make Some Noise...All about music, 4-5 p.m.

### October

October 4 - Wednesday, ASAP Program, Cross Plains Public Library, Pumpkin Painting, 4-5 p.m.

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 25 - Wednesday, Trunk or Treat, First Baptist Church

October 31 - Tuesday, Halloween

### November

November 1 - Wednesday, ASAP Program, Cross Plains Public Library, Turkey Crafts and Food Bags for Senior Center, 4-5 p.m.

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 6 - Wednesday, ASAP Program, Cross Plains Public Library, PJ's, Hot Coco and The Polar Express, 4-5 p.m.

December 7 - Thursday, Santa Claus Comes to Town & Christmas Parade, Kiwanis and Cross Plains Chamber of Commerce.

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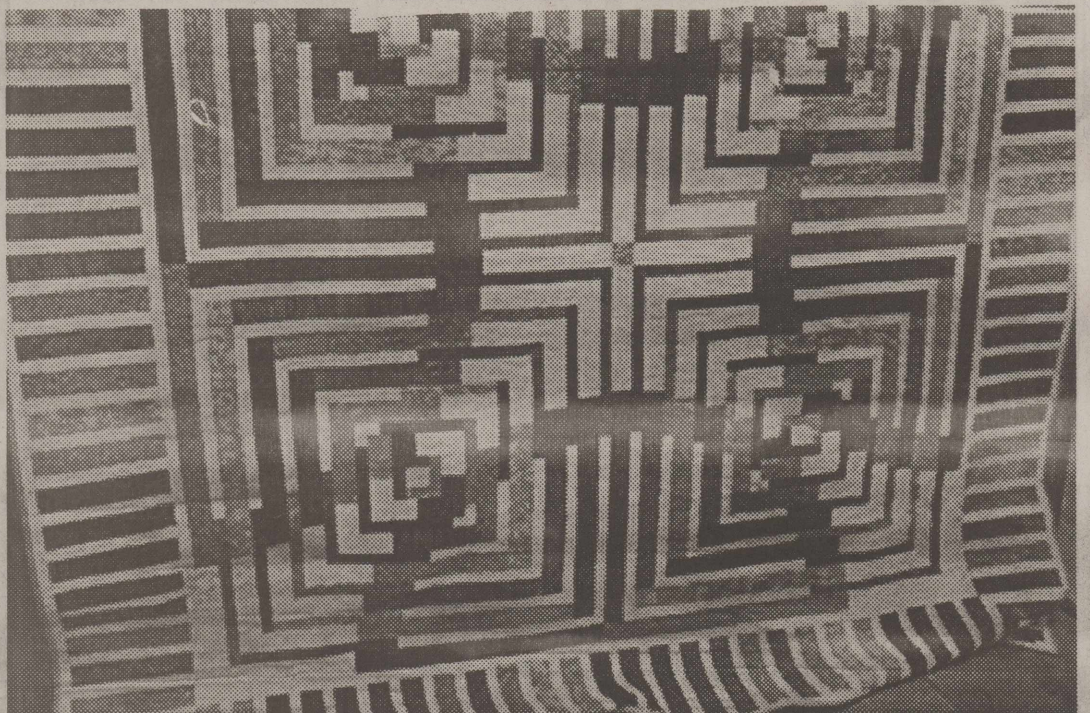
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# The Texas History Minute

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## The founding and early years of SMU

Students begin a new school year with hopes and dreams of better lives. Teachers and administrators similarly have high hopes for their students, trying to create classrooms and schools of the highest quality where these dreams can be nurtured and minds developed, as difficult as this sometimes is given the limits of budgets. Southern Methodist University in Dallas was created with such hopes but also with many obstacles. In the end, SMU was the result of a fight to relocate another college and the fate of a Dallas medical school that culminated in a world-class university.

Southwestern University in Georgetown, just north of Austin, had been founded by the Methodist Church in 1840. As Texas grew, Methodist leaders at the turn of the century questioned if Georgetown was the best location. To many in North Texas, it only seemed reasonable that the college be relocated to Dallas or Fort Worth, given their large population of Methodists and growing business communities.

While some communities were hesitant to embrace colleges and universities in their communities, worried about rowdy students or radical ideas, Dallas leaders saw an opportunity. They quickly realized that a top-rate university would become an important economic engine for the city, attracting students from far and wide and producing the skilled thinkers that businesses increasingly needed to operate.

Southwestern University ultimately stayed in Georgetown, but Dallas was able to secure the new university, in part from help from Southwestern. In 1903, Southwestern had opened a medical school and school of pharmacy in downtown Dallas. The school was small and a drain on resources. Through the efforts of the school's dean, Dr. John McReynolds, Southwestern handed ownership over to the new university to be established in Dallas.

SMU's charter was signed in April 1911. Dr. Robert S. Hyer was hired by trustees to serve as the first president. The medical and pharmacy schools were the only programs offered. Students paid tuition of \$100 per year while SMU trustees poured in \$25,000 trying to update the school's facilities. While it was a modest success, the costs made it difficult to expand into a full university.

Hiram Boaz was hired as vice-president and fundraiser in 1913. Boaz, a Methodist minister and later a bishop in the church, had many connections needed to be able to secure the

donations the university needed. Hyer meanwhile hired 37 professors and started an aggressive recruitment campaign. Dozens of acres were secured in North Dallas and tens of thousands of dollars were spent on the ornate Dallas Hall, the first permanent building on the new site.

In the summer of 1915, SMU was faced with a difficult choice. The university had the money to either operate the medical school or the new university. Trustees made the decision to suspend the medical school in favor of the new campus. By the fall of 1915, SMU opened in North Dallas. Some 456 students enrolled in the college's first classes. Women were also admitted as students in a time when many colleges still refused to admit women. A basic program of the liberal arts and sciences were offered as well as graduate programs and a school of divinity. Two buildings were included on the campus, which included a fully-functioning library, with Hyer and trustees planning even more construction as time progressed.

A campus community quickly coalesced at the new location. The Daily Campus, the student newspaper, began publication that fall. At the university's first graduation ceremony in June 1916, twenty-four bachelors degrees and seven masters degrees were granted. The first years were clearly a success. Anxious to expand the offerings of the university and acquire the

talent needed to help manage the rapidly growing businesses in Dallas, the local business community pushed SMU to open a business school, which opened in 1920.

Hyer retired in 1920 but stayed with the university as a physics professor until his death in 1929. Boaz stepped into the position of president, for two years. Dr. Charles Seleckman then became the university's third president in 1923. The Methodist minister oversaw a massive building project and expansion of the university as it steadily matured.

Under Seleckman's tenure, SMU added nine more buildings to its campus. The SMU School of Law was opened in 1925. The university expanded even further with the opening of the engineering school that year. In 1927, the ornate Highland Park Methodist Church was completed on campus. While the university and the nation struggled through the Great Depression in the 1930s, Seleckman was able to keep enrollment and funding strong.

The college continued to grow, weathering war, controversy, and celebrating successes along the way. It grew over the intervening years to become one of the most respected universities in Texas. SMU today boasts more than 11,000 students pursuing dozens of majors.

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

## Callahan County Commissioners adopt 2017-2018 tax rate

The Meeting of the Callahan County Commissioners' Court was held at its regular meeting place in the Courthouse on Monday, August 21, 2017, 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; Erwin Clark, Commissioner Precinct No. 4; Nicole Crocker, County Clerk; and Jan Windham, County Treasurer. Also attending the meeting was Tammy Walker, Tax Assessor-Collector.

The following items of business were transacted:  
—The meeting was called to order at 9:35 A.M. by Judge Corn. All commissioners were present.

—Commissioner Hicks made a motion to take a record vote on the 2017-2018 proposed tax rate. Commissioner Windham seconded the motion. A record vote was taken. General Tax Rate: \$0.383452 per \$100; Road and Bridge Tax Rate: \$0.159172 per \$100 = \$0.542624.

Debt Service Tax Rate: \$0.016642 per \$100.

Total Tax Rate: \$0.559266 per \$100.

Commissioner Harold Hicks

Commissioner Bryan Farmer

Commissioner Tom Windham

Commissioner Erwin Clark

Judge Roger Corn - yes

—Commissioner Windham made a motion to take a record vote to set salaries, expenses and other allowances of all elected county and precinct officers. Commissioner Hicks

seconded the motion. A record vote was taken.

Commissioner Harold Hicks

Commissioner Bryan Farmer

Commissioner Tom Windham

Commissioner Erwin Clark

Judge Roger Corn - yes

—Judge Corn made a motion to set the following dates for public hearings: August 31, 2017 @ 9 A.M. and September 6, 2017 @ 9:00 A.M. Commissioner Farmer seconded the motion. 5-0

—Commissioner Farmer made a motion to adopt the 2017-2018 budget at September 11, 2017 at 9:30 A.M. Commissioner Clark seconded the motion.

Commissioner Harold Hicks

Commissioner Bryan Farmer

Commissioner Tom Windham

Commissioner Erwin Clark

Judge Roger Corn - yes

—Commissioner Hicks made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Windham seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0. Meeting adjourned at 9:50 A.M.

Commissioner Tom Windham

Commissioner Erwin Clark

Judge Roger Corn - yes

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Tax Assessor-Collector.

The following items of business were transacted:

—The meeting was called to order at 9:10 A.M. by Judge Corn. All Commissioners were present.

—Discussion was held on the 2017-2018 budget. No actions were taken.

—Commissioner Farmer made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Windham seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0. Meeting adjourned at 9:35 A.M.



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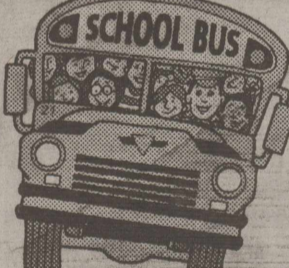


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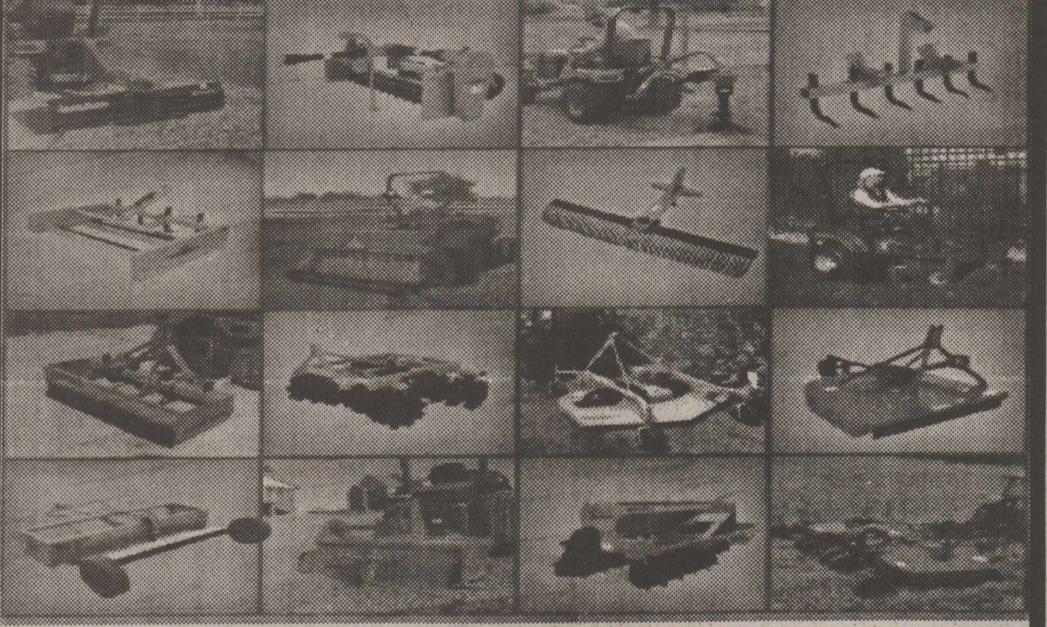
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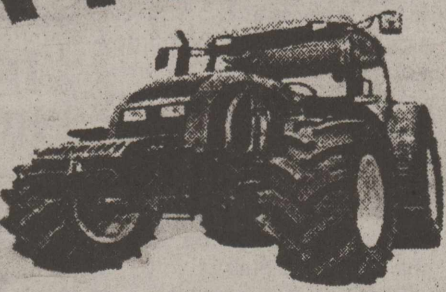
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## Jodi Goode Presents Paper in Slovenia

Howard Payne University's Jodi Goode, a resident of Cross Plains and assistant vice president for information technology services, recently presented a paper on cybersecurity at the Knowledge Management (KM) Conference in Novo-Mesto, Slovenia.

Jodi, a 2000 graduate of Cross Plains High School, is the daughter of Bobby and Cindy Payne, and the granddaughter of Lucille Payne and Aubrey and Jewel Purvis of Cross Plains. Jodi and her husband Levi live in Cross Plains.

The international KM Conference, held at Faculty of Information Studies, provides a showcase for the latest research-in-practice that focuses on knowledge management and how it improves and sustains quality in academia, industry and government. The themes for this year's conference were knowledge management, learning and information technology.

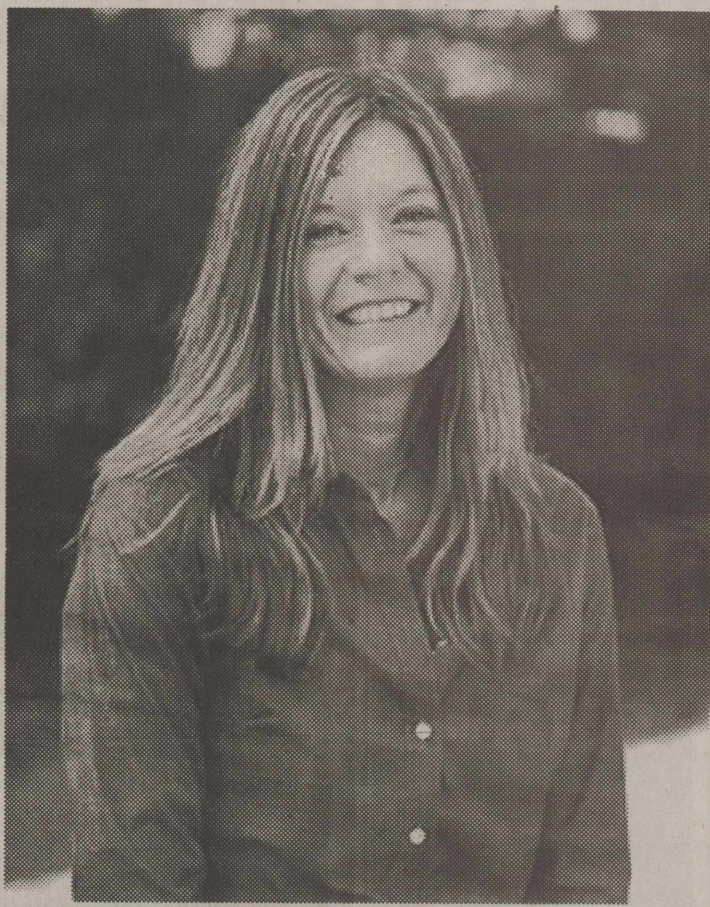
Goode was invited earlier this year to present the paper, titled "Towards empirical exploration of employee's cybersecurity countermeasures awareness and skills: Differences in training delivery method and program type," which is considered

research-in-progress from her dissertation. She is a doctoral candidate pursuing her Ph.D. in information systems with a concentration in information security from Nova Southeastern University's College of Engineering and Computing in Fort Lauderdale, Florida. The paper is co-authored by Dr. Yair Levy, professor of information systems and cybersecurity at Nova Southeastern University.

"KM 2017 was a great experience, with some of the most influential educators and researchers from the fields of information security and cybersecurity in attendance," said Goode. "I had the opportunity to meet these individuals, receive feedback on my ongoing dissertation research and form relationships that will benefit my work at HPU."

Dr. W. Mark Tew, provost and chief academic officer at HPU, called Goode exceptionally talented in the field of information technology.

"The campus community relies heavily on Jodi's extensive knowledge," he said. "We're proud she had the opportunity to share with her colleagues around the world."



Jodi Goode recently presented a paper on cybersecurity at a conference in Slovenia.

## Home Delivered Meals Available

As we age and our health changes, sometime we may need a little help. The Cross Plains Senior Center offers home delivered meals Monday - Friday to residents living within a 2 mile radius of Cross Plains.

These meals are packaged and then delivered to the front door of home-bound persons over 60 years old. If you or someone you know could benefit by receiving a nutritious lunch please call the CrossPlains Senior Center at 254

725-6521. If there are people in need of this service outside the delivery area, please contact us and we will explore options available.

The Cross Plains Senior 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.

## Blazing A Trail Against Cancer - Cancer Walk Saturday, October 7th

The Cross Plains Community Cancer Fund is "Blazing A Trail Against Cancer" on the plans for this year's Cancer Walk slated for Saturday, October 7th at the CPISD Football Field.

With the Western/Hometown Heritage theme, your booth could be Pioneers settling the Old West, Cowboys Riding the Trail, a Civil War Camp, a Scene from the Oil Boom, an Indian Village.... or just about anything Western you can come up with! Start planning your booth now, October 7th will be here soon!

Items are needed for the Live Auction, Silent Auction, Children's Auction and the Raffle at the Cancer Walk. You can drop off donations for the auctions with Dannes at the Senior Citizens Center or with Cindy at ResourceCare. Jamie Roberts is in charge of the Silent Auction and Children's Auction. She or Connie Kirkham can help you with your donations, as well.

This year, the Cake/Prize Walk has turned into the Prize/Plant Walk. Both prizes and plants are needed for the event.

Volunteers are needed for many of the booths and events at the Cancer Walk. If you'd like to help, contact Cindy or Dannes, or let us know through our facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/CrossPlainsCancerFund/>

Two quilts are being raffled again this year. One, a beautiful black, gray and white geometric design was created and quilted by Brenda Simons, in honor of Faye Simons. The other quilt in a patriotic red, white and blue theme, was created by the Cross Plains quilting club. Tickets for the raffle on each quilt are \$1 each or 6 for \$5. Tickets for the black and white quilt are available at the Senior Center; tickets for the patriotic quilt are available at Texas Heritage Bank. Tickets will be available soon from any of the team members.

Get your walking team or group together now and start planning your booth and what you will donate for the Cancer Walk. Saddle up and get ready to start "Blazing a Trail Against Cancer".

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## Political Calendar

The Cross Plains Review is authorized to publish the following political announcements for the office filings in the Republican Primary Election set for Tuesday, March 6, 2018.

### For Callahan County Judge

**Gerry Scott Kniffen**  
Political advertisement paid for by Gerry Scott Kniffen, 4322 FM 604 South, Clyde, Texas 79510, Joanne Kniffen, Treasurer.

**Bobby Don Lovell**  
Pol. Adv. paid for by Bobby Lovell for Callahan County Judge, PO Box 166 Clyde 79510.

All political calendar advertising for the Tuesday, March 6, 2018 Republican Primary Election is payable in advance, at a cost of \$125.00. A free press release and photograph will be published one time with each announcement.

## Driver's License Office in Baird Open

The Driver's Office on the second floor in the Callahan County Courthouse in Baird is Open.

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

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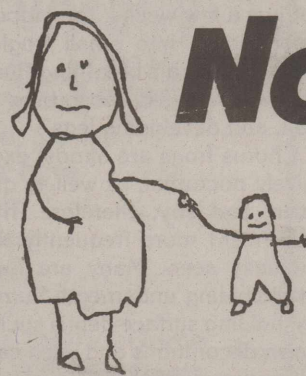
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- TXism: "let's skeedaddle out of..."
- TXism: "best I... on"
- River is the TX-OK border
- TXism: "can't make a silk purse... ear"
- "Anybody Goin' to San Antonio" (song)
- TXism: "... pencil to it" (tally)
- romp and cawcaw
- short rope for rodeo call roping: "... string"
- TX "ZZ Top," e.g.
- Aphrodite, Apollo, and Ares, e.g.
- TXism: "... hill for a stepper" (simple)
- action plans
- TXism: "he ain't got both... in the water" (slow witted)
- "o" of mph
- TXism: "aggressive as a snake... main"
- TX John Garner said being vice president was "not worth a bucket of warm... in Hidalgo County"
- Houston was this before a Texan
- "Hook 'em...!"
- TXism: "you got two chances, slim and... hygiene"
- enjoyed
- consumed food
- TXism: "two-bit (worn-out horse)"
- Abilene Cooper is a class... school
- TX-born Roger Miller sang "... for sale or rent..."
- Cowboy star DE in 1990s, Charles Verde County
- TXism: "blister... (handle)"
- San Antonio shoemaker
- noted TX short story writer, short 2 they're usually short in TX summers
- this James was 33rd TX governor
- Woodville is the seat of this county
- French built "Fort Saint... in TX"
- car
- TXism: "call... day"
- TX Charley Pride's "Where... I Put Her Memory"
- attempt
- historic "Fort Worth Stock..."
- TX Vikki Carr 1988 album: "... Hombres"
- "sun," south of the border
- "Heart of Texas Festival"
- derides
- TX Jay Allen wrote screenplay for "Cabaret"
- TX series for TX Mark Salting
- a TX gemstone
- IATA code for Hilo International Airport
- firm with a TX Ranger role: "True... Park, TX"
- ... the end of the world"
- bolos
- "no pain, no..."
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- TXism: "... the driven snow"
- In Gaines County, on U.S. 62
- TX Steve Miller got a gold record for "The... (1973)"
- Stephenville is the seat of this county
- TX Steve Miller got a gold record for "The... (1973)"
- TX Dabney Coleman
- TX has at least four big oil
- TX actress Stewart who was married to George Hamilton





Don Gosnell receives a plack from Cross Plains Mayor Jerry Cassle

# The Legend Retires: Celebrating Don Gosnell's 50 Years on the Job

Friends, family and law enforcement officers turned out Saturday night to celebrate Don Gosnell's retirement from 50 years in Law Enforcement.

City Councilman Gary Moses presented Don with a Proclamation from Governor Greg Abbott.

Mayor Jerry Cassle presented Don with a plaque from the City of Cross Plains.

Rolan Jones, Wayne Knowles, Jim Cook, Ronnie White, Mark Norris, Mark Goetz, Ed Duncan, Cindy Smith, Bonnie Ubinger, and others all told stories about Don.



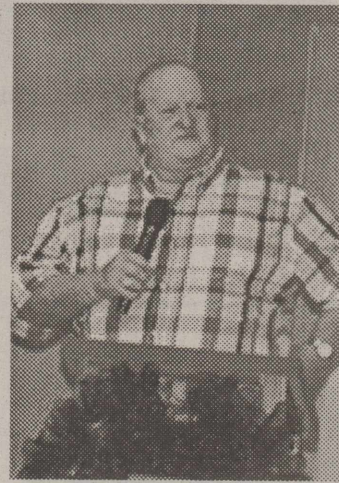
Don and Debbie Gosnell with their children and grandchildren



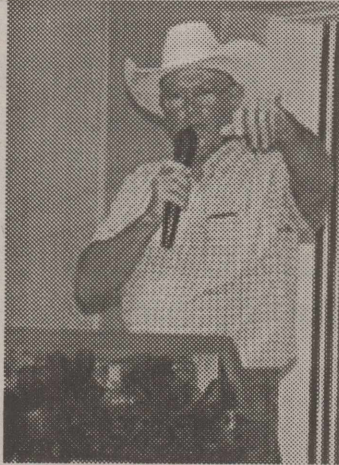
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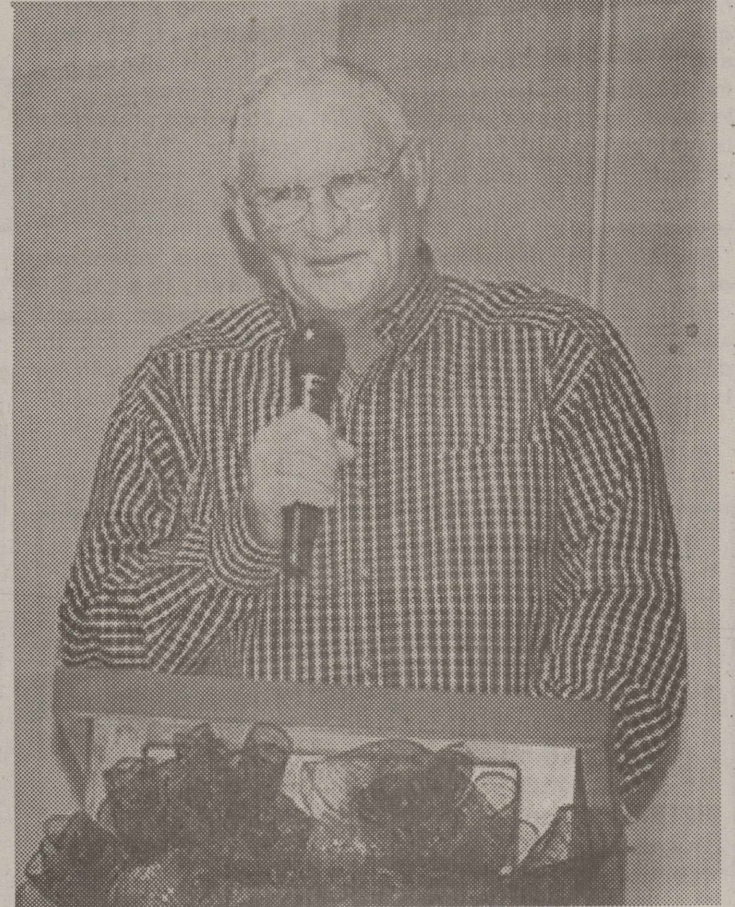
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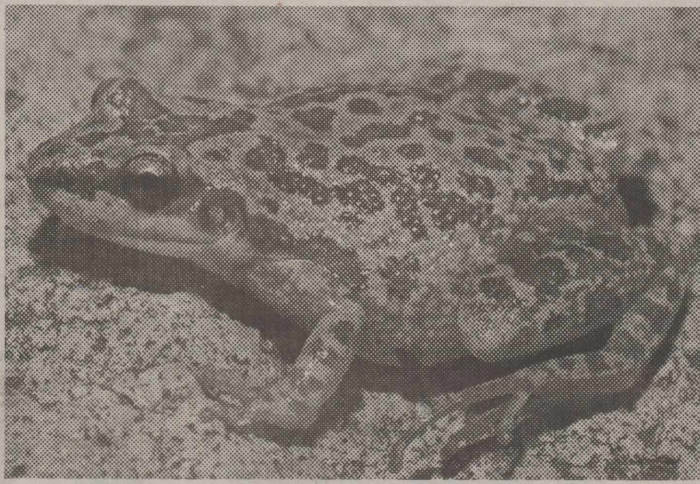
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## Spotted Chorus Frog

Animals utilize many different forms of adaptation to aid in their survival. Some species rely on camouflage for protection, some rely on speed, while others rely on behavior. However, there is a miniscule species that thrives in and among cattle pastures and graze lands that is often referred to as the smallest frog in Texas. That species is the Spotted Chorus Frog.

The Spotted Chorus Frog (*Pseudacris clarkii*) belongs to a genus of frogs that has 4 representatives here in Texas. This particular race occurs throughout the eastern and central Panhandle and Edwards Plateau regions, as well as the Cross-Timbers area of North Texas and the Coastal Plains region. It is absent in far west Texas and far east Texas. It thrives in areas of open prairies, meadows, pastures, and grasslands. More often than not, it is observed near permanent or semi-permanent bodies of water, such as cattle tanks and irrigation canals. Occasional specimens may be found under debris far from such water sources though. Outside of Texas this variety can be observed in similar habitats in central Kansas and Oklahoma southward to northern Tamaulipas. There is a small disjunct population that occurs in northeastern New Mexico as well.

Like most of the family Hylidae, this species can be quite variable in appearance. The ground color typically varies from light tan to darker brown, although in some specimens the background coloration can be dark green. The back and sides are sequined with darker green spots, bars, and squiggles. These markings are outlined with a black



Spotted Chorus Frog  
...(*Pseudacris clarkii*)

edging. There is a diagnostic black-outlined green stripe that runs from the end of the snout through the tympanum (outer ear) to the foreleg. This line with infrequently reach the groin area. The relatively long back legs are spotted similarly as the back and sides. The elongated toes end in a rounded toepad.

This diminutive species is the smallest of its genus. Adult females are slightly the larger sex, with mature individuals approaching 1 1/4 inches in body length. Males are smaller, seldom exceeding one inch. This variety of true frog is one of the smallest, if not THE smallest, species of amphibian that occurs in this state.

Like other amphibians, Chorus Frogs live a dual life. Unlike many frog species that breed in the spring even when temperatures can dip near freezing, this variety prefers to breed later in the year after heavy downpours. Mature adult males will congregate along the banks of the shallow pools that are remnants of heavy rains and will call

for the attention of females. The calling voice is a high-pitched trill and many have likened the sound to a fingernail rubbing the teeth of a pocket comb. Once a receptive female approaches, the male will clasp the female around the waist and externally fertilize up to 500 eggs. This activity is known as amplexus. Once the eggs hatch, the fish-like tadpoles are primarily herbivorous, and over the period of just a few weeks, the tadpoles metamorph into small froglets, developing air-breathing lungs rather than gills, absorbing the tail, and developing legs.

Chorus frogs are almost exclusively nocturnal, as well as quite alert and shy; therefore, most are heard more frequently than actually seen. Many are found while hiding underneath humidity-holding surface debris such as lawn decorations and even cattle dung (cow patties).

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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:www.fullprice71@gmail.com).

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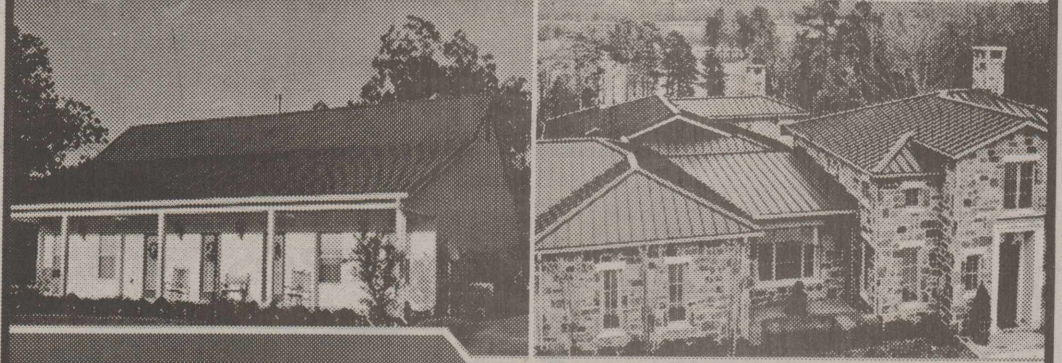
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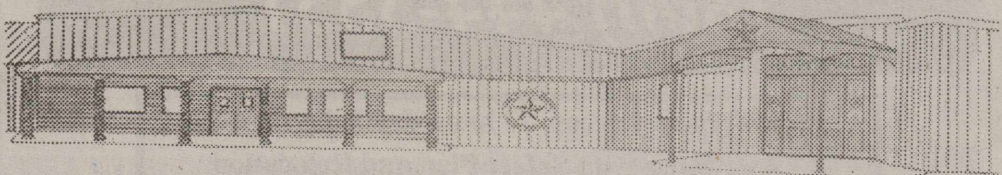


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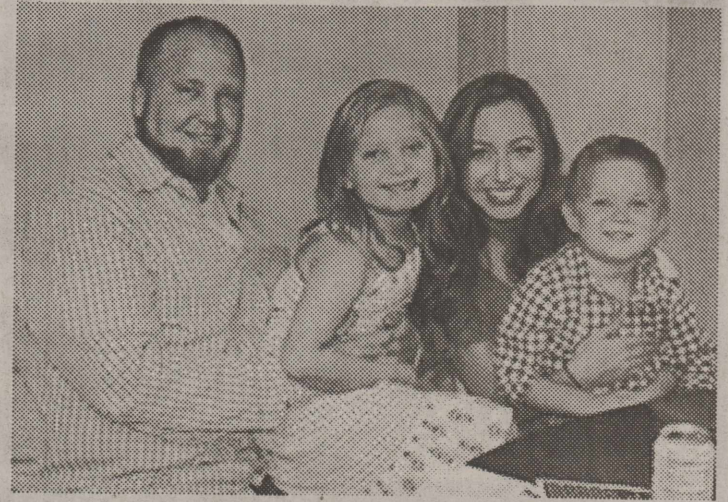
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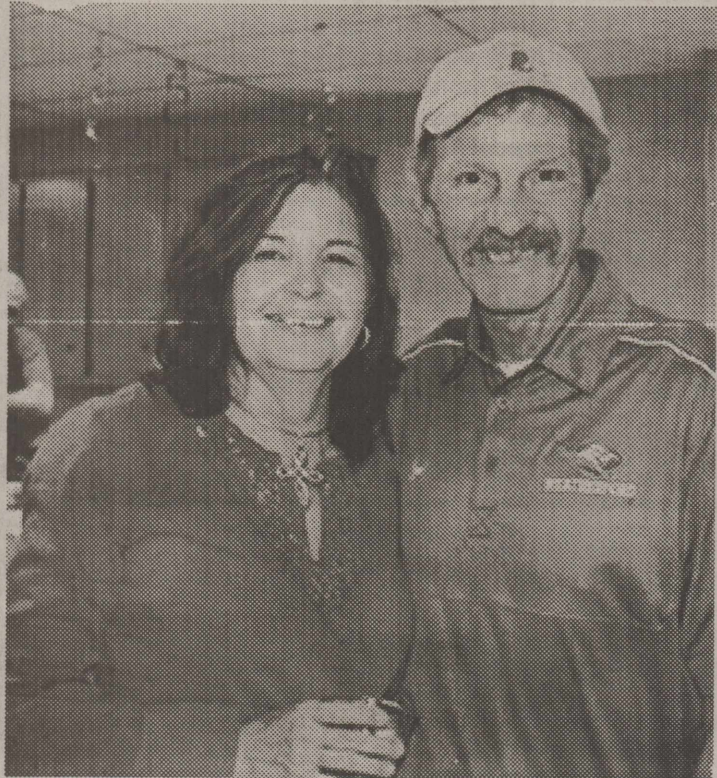
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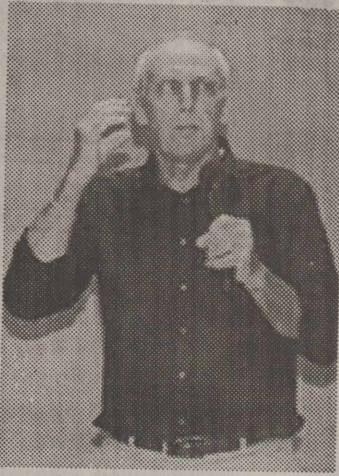
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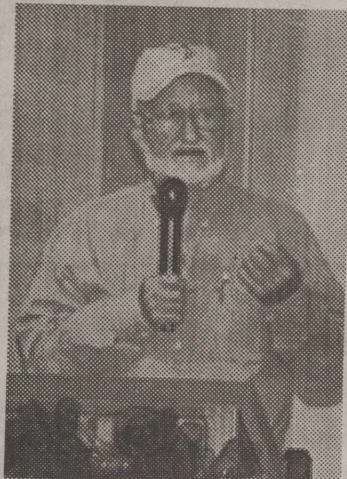


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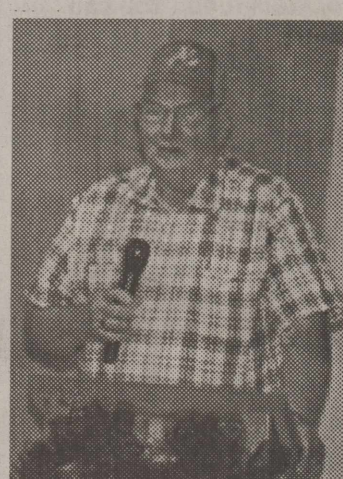


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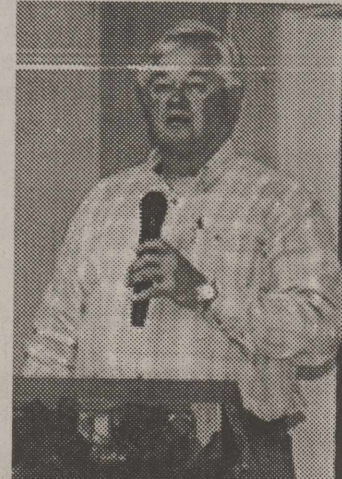
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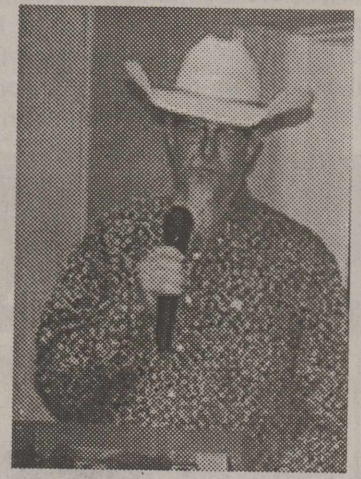
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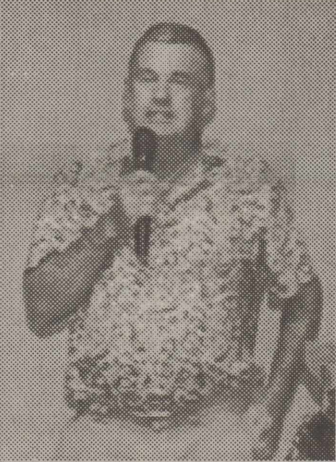
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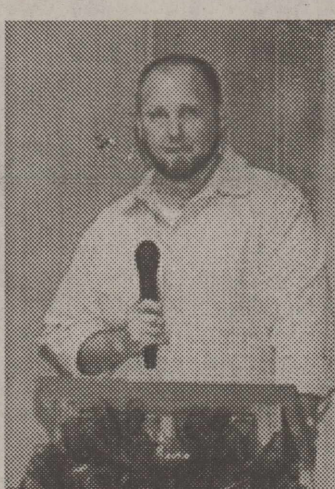
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Barbara Baum visits with Patricia Cook, Melissa and Monty Richards and Ronnie White



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Burlie and Gerl Taylor



Steve Kniffen with some of his beautiful turned wood.



Steve Kniffen with his wonderful custom leather work.

### The Market at Clyde presents Meet our Vendors: The Kniffen Boys

Article & Photographs:  
Danni Louw

The Kniffen Boys, Scott and Steve, and their beautiful wood and leather work, are well known and much liked features at Market at Clyde. Both graduated from Clyde High school, after which they pursued education and careers, but now they are back doing their much sought after wood and leather work. Steve is a wood turner and Scott does custom leather work.

Scott says he started working in leather, because he could not afford to buy the beautiful leather holsters and equipment he saw when he was in law enforcement. Therefore he started playing around working his own leather, and learned and got better over the years. Now that he is retired, he has much more time to spend doing leather-work. He also got involved with Western reenactments and cowboy action shootouts like Legends of Texas, and found he could make the outfits and equipment for cheaper than he could buy it.

Scott makes western coat and hat racks from horseshoes,

cedar, and oak. He makes and custom tools, purses, saddlebags, holsters, belt, scabbards, and other items. His wife ordered his first purse and things just grew from there. His items are all hand tooled, unique and one of a kind, the kind of gift that will become an heirloom. He uses as many natural materials as he can like wooden buttons, antler tie closures. He likes to work with oil tanned leather, and often the brand on the cow hide will become part of his design. He started making rounded bottom bags after covering a canteen, and often his ideas will flow from something a client has asked him to make. His useful scissor-holder is an idea his wife suggested. Scot also learned how to work a sewing machine that can stitch leather. Scott can make custom orders for his clients, and customers are always gathering around his booth to discuss new items.

Steve always liked to tool around, always enjoyed woodwork and really started making his beautiful work after he got a lathe. He makes bowls, platters, peppermills, rolling pins, bangles, pendants, wine

glasses, pens, candleholders, fidget spinners and so much more! He explains that the lathe turns the wood at a rapid pace: 3,000 rpm, and then he uses chisels and other tools to cut away at the wood and create his designs. He has also created some unique painted acrylic tubes to make beautiful pens, so coming by his booth to get that very special gift for someone is highly recommended. He also works with Linnie Branton to create custom turned wood jewelry, which she finishes to a customer's specification.

Steve and Scott enjoy visiting with people, so come by their booth at Market at Clyde to visit with them, enjoy marveling at their beautiful work, or order your custom made items for those special occasions. The Market at Clyde is held every second Saturday of the month at the Clyde Chamber of Commerce building from 10 am to 4 pm. If you are an artist, crafter or home cook and would like a space at Market at Clyde please call 325-518-3939 or email themarketatclyde@gmail.com

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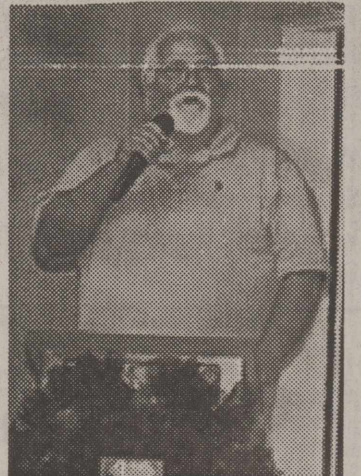
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## Senior Citizens Center Activities

August 28th -Sept. 1st

Monday-28th- Exercise 11:00/Music Jam 6:00 pm  
 Tuesday-29th Exercise 11:00  
 Wednesday-30th Exercise 11:00  
 Thursday-31st Exercise 11:00  
 Friday-1st Exercise-11:00 /Bingo with Interim Hospice.

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

August 28th -Sept 1st

Monday 28th-Enchilada with Chili,Refried Beans, Corn, Chips, Dessert

Tuesday 29th-Cheeseburgers, Tator Tots, Fruit, Dessert

Wednesday 30th-Chicken Strips, Potatoes with gravy, Green Beans, Bread, Dessert

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

Monthly Menu may be picked up at the Senior Citizen Center

## Courthouse News

Callahan County Court  
 Roger Corn, presiding

### Misdemeanor Filings

Nathan Scott Brashear, theft by check, \$20-\$500.

### Misdemeanor Minutes

Jared Clinton Mangum, motion to dismiss to public intoxication granted for plea to other case.

Jared Clinton Mangum, motion to dismiss to disorderly conduct granted for plea to other case.

### Marriage Licenses

Hamilton Fry Wallace of Cross Plains and Julie Anne Perrett of Rio Vista.

### 42nd District Court James Eidson, presiding

### Criminal Minutes

Ricky Balthrop, plea of guilty to assault of a public servant, 4 years in prison.

Billy Ochoa, plea of guilty to unauthorized use of a motor vehicle, 3 year probation, \$1000 fine, \$289 court costs.

Dustin Lee Jordan, motion to dismiss to burglary of a

building granted in the interest of justice.

Daniel Moore, motion to dismiss to driving while intoxicated (DWI) granted for plea to other case.

Daniel Moore, plea of guilty to evading arrest, 5 year probation, \$2500 fine, \$299 court costs.

Stephen E. Wallace, plea of guilty to possession of a controlled substance, 3 year probation, \$1250 fine, \$359 court costs.

Olmedo Olivas, plea of guilty to evading arrest, 6 months in jail, \$319 court costs.

Thomas Chalmers, plea of guilty to DWI, 5 year probation, \$1200 fine, \$459 court costs.

Starlene Seaton, plea of guilty to injury to a child, 4 year probation, \$1000 fine, \$399 court costs.

Jeremy Bryan, plea of guilty to possession of a controlled substance, 3 years in prison, \$384 court costs.

Johnny E. Powers, plea of guilty to indecency with a child, 7 year probation, \$1000 fine, \$409 court costs.

Bobby C. Browne, judgment revoking probation granted.

Thomas Skaggs, plea of guilty to burglary of a habitation, 2 years in prison.



## Dance at Senior Center on Monday, Sept 11th

Come dance the night away at the Cross Plains Senior Center on Monday, September 11th, starting at 6:30 p.m.

Music and entertainmen provided by Margie Hartsfield, who has performed at the dances in the past several months. Everyone has had such a good time.

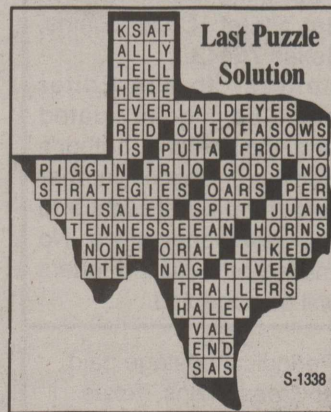
Snacks and beverage provided. Dinner is potluck. Only \$5 admission. Everyone 55 and older is invited to come and have a good time!

## City-Wide Garage Sale Slated for October 14th

Mark your calendars now for the City-Wide Garage Sale slated for Saturday, October 14th.

Start cleaning out your closets and storage buildings and planning your garage or yard sale.

Sponsored by the Cross Plains Chamber of Commerce, the City-Wide Garage Sale brings people into Cross Plains from neighboring communities to shop for bargains and spend the day in our town.



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**Celebrating in August** - The Senior Center celebrated August birthdays with cakes and presents provided by Barr Fabrication. Carie Wheeler and Helen Parson, and several Meals-on-Wheels recipients were all born in the month of August. Everyone who enjoys lunch served by the by the Cross Plains Senior Center, whether at the center or through Meals-on-Wheels, gets a gourmet cupcake.

## Woods, Waters & Wildlife

By: John Jefferson

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**Editor's Note:** This newspaper will provide a weekly outdoor column written by John Jefferson of Austin. He has been a lifelong outdoorsman, Texas Parks & Wildlife Department hunting and fishing regulations coordinator and ultimately director of information and education, 20 - year editor of the Texas Parks and Wildlife Outdoor Annual (regulations booklet published by Texas Monthly), author of two hunting books, published in most regional and some national outdoor publications and recipient of numerous awards for writing and photography. For the past 22 years, he's also written a monthly fishing column. He's a past president of Texas Outdoor Writers Assn., member of Texas Press Assn. and the Professional Outdoor Media Association. He can be reached at: jrjefferson7@gmail.com.

### An Outdoor Column By John Jefferson

**Great Breaking News!**  
 New hunting and fishing licenses go on sale August 15th!

What's so great about that? Well, if new licenses are soon on sale, hunting seasons can't be far behind. And hunting seasons signal a change in the weather -- in this case, a change for the better. Raise your hand if you're as sick of this oven-like, breath-sucking heat as I am.

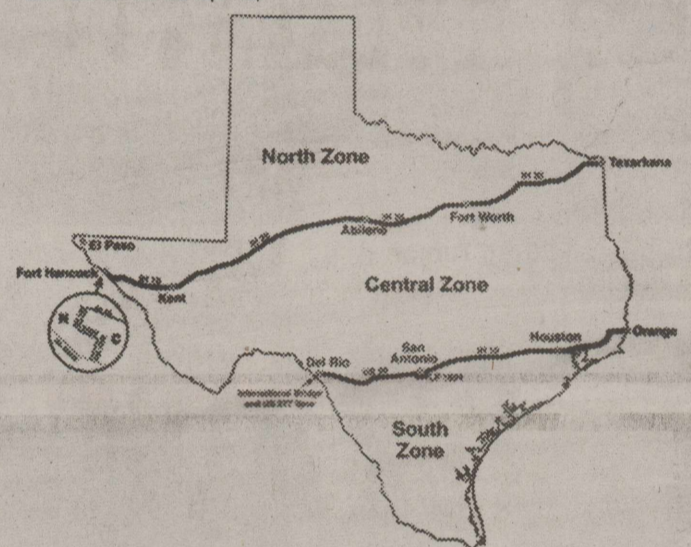
Sometime around mid-September each year, the first cool spell arrives. Occasionally, it comes a little earlier. Let's hope this year is one of those occasions.

The first seasons to open are the north and central zone dove seasons on September 1. South zone dove hunters must wait until September 22 to start shooting, unless they are hunting white-winged doves. Whitewing hunters throughout the entire south zone may hunt September 2, 3, 9 and 10, but only from noon until sunset. During the regular seasons, shooting hours are from one-half hour before sunrise to sunset in all three zones.

It looks like another banner year for dove hunters. Good hatches of mourning doves and whitewings have been noted. Shaun Oldenburger, TPWD's dove leader, says, "Even a bad year for doves in Texas beats a good year elsewhere!"

The dove bag limit is 15 per day in the aggregate (total for all species combined), to include no more than two white-tipped doves. During the special south zone early white-winged dove days, however, only two mourning doves may be included in the daily bag

Texas Parks and Wildlife Dept. map



limit. Eurasian collared doves and common pigeons are not regulated -- shoot 'em if you've got 'em.

Statewide teal season and East Zone Canada goose season (only) open September 9 and both end September 24. Great teal reproduction in the north and good habitat conditions in Texas prompted TPWD waterfowl leader Kevin Kraai to say, "The table is set for one of the best teal seasons in years." Canada geese are increasing in east Texas, but populations are scattered. Most are in north Texas and east of Dallas.

For all hunting seasons, you'll need new licenses after August 31. Resident hunting licenses cost \$25, but that's just a start. You need endorsements on your license if you hunt deer or turkey during the Archery-Only season, or archery-hunt deer anytime in certain counties, hunt migratory game birds, or hunt upland game birds. Endorsements are \$7 each. A \$25 federal migratory bird hunting and conservation stamp (duck stamp) is required for any waterfowl hunters 16 years - old and older and HIP certification is required for

hunting all migratory birds.

All hunters born on or after September 2, 1971 must also complete a Hunter Education Training course. See pages 21-23 of the free Texas Parks and Wildlife Outdoor Annual for more information on licenses, endorsements and hunter education alternatives.

Fishing licenses (\$30 Freshwater Package; \$35 Saltwater Package; \$40 All-Water Package) also expire on August 31, unless they are "Year from Purchase" license packages (\$47). The appropriate endorsement is included with the packages, and the All-Water package includes both.

Whew! Complicated. If you are likely to both hunt and fish, the best bargain and easiest thing to do is buy a "Super Combo License" for \$68. It'll save you \$18 - and a whole lot of hassle! All endorsements except the Federal duck stamp are included. Licenses are sold at all TPWD offices, at many sporting goods retailers, by phone at 1-800-895-4248 and online at [www.tpwd.texas.gov/licenses/online\\_sales](http://www.tpwd.texas.gov/licenses/online_sales).

Good hunting and fishing! Be legal; be safe!

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## Are store credit cards worth it?

AUSTIN, Texas—While store credit cards might seem like a safe option compared to general-use credit cards, the truth is they can get cardholders into serious debt if not used responsibly. However, if used correctly, they can save money on both big-ticket items and smaller everyday things.

If you're thinking about opening a store credit card, below are some perks and pitfalls to consider when deciding if it's the right decision for you and your finances.

**Perk: Store Credit Card Qualification is Easier**

The application requirements, such as your credit score, are less strict with store credit cards compared to regular credit cards so there is a better chance you'll be approved.

**Pitfall: High Interest Rates**

The counter side of store credit cards being easier to get is that they carry higher interest rates. It is especially important to spend responsibly so you can pay off your full balance every month before interest kicks in. Also, retail cards generally carry a lower credit limit.

**Perk: Help Build Credit**

If you're young and haven't had a chance to build a credit history, or if you're trying to repair past poor credit, a store credit card can be helpful. Again, you can usually qualify for a store credit card with a lack of credit history or lower credit score. Once you get the card, experts recommend you make a purchase or two a month—keeping the total below 10 percent of your credit limit—that you pay off on time and in full every month to build your credit history and boost your credit score.

**Pitfall: Applying for Credit Impacts Your Credit Score**

Every time you apply for credit, regardless of what type it is, your credit score takes a small hit. For most people, that's fine as you'll build it back quickly, especially if you're using the card responsibly. But you don't want to open numerous retail credit cards over a short period. Also, if you're planning to refinance or apply for a mortgage, hold off on opening any new lines of credit.

**Perk: They Provide Discounts and Incentives**

The reason most consumers get store credit cards is for the discounts and other store perks.

The smart thing to do is wait to open a store card until you make a large purchase, on furniture or electronics for example, which can lead to hundreds of dollars in savings. Alternatively, it makes sense to get a card from a retailer you regularly purchase from to benefit from ongoing smaller perks like discounts and in-store rewards.

**Pitfall: Temptation is Tough**

The hardest part of having a retail card for a store you frequent is the temptation that comes with the special discounts and incentives. Experts advise to throw out coupons unless you were already planning to go to the store for a specific reason. If you wouldn't buy it without the coupon, you probably don't need it with the coupon.

At the end of the day, a credit card is a credit card. If you're borrowing money, which is what credit is, you need a budget and a plan to repay

it in full every month. This is even more true with retail cards and their high interest rates. Think about it this way: If you get a 20 percent discount for using a store credit card but the monthly interest rate is 25 percent and you don't pay it in full monthly, you're losing money. However, there are times when opening a store credit card makes financial sense, but ensure you evaluate whether it's worth it before you're tempted at the register by a salesperson's hard sell.

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## Seven Constitutional Amendments to be determined in November

AUSTIN, TX—Texas Secretary of State Rolando Pablos today drew the ballot order for seven proposed amendments to the Texas Constitution that will appear on the November 7 ballot. In order to appear on the ballot, the proposed amendments must be approved by at least two-thirds of the members of both the Texas Senate and the Texas House of Representatives. After the drawing ceremony, Secretary Pablos reminded all eligible Texans to register to vote in the November Constitutional Amendment election.

"The future of Texas is and will always be in the hands of Texans," Secretary Pablos said. "This year, Texas voters will have the opportunity to directly impact the Texas Constitution, and I strongly encourage all eligible Texans to register to vote so that they can actively participate in shaping the future of the Lone Star State."

Texans will have the opportunity to approve the following amendments with a majority vote:

### Proposition 1 (HJR 21)

"The constitutional amendment authorizing the legislature to provide for an exemption from ad valorem taxation of part of the market value of the

residence homestead of a partially disabled veteran or the surviving spouse of a partially disabled veteran if the residence homestead was donated to the disabled veteran by a charitable organization for less than the market value of the residence homestead and harmonizing certain related provisions of the Texas Constitution."

### Proposition 2 (SJR 60)

"The constitutional amendment to establish a lower amount for expenses that can be charged to a borrower and removing certain financing expense limitations for a home equity loan, establishing certain authorized lenders to make a home equity loan, changing certain options for the refinancing of home equity loans, changing the threshold for an advance of a home equity line of credit, and allowing home equity loans on agricultural homesteads."

### Proposition 3 (SJR 34)

"The constitutional amendment limiting the service of certain officeholders appointed by the governor and confirmed by the senate after the expiration of the person's term of office."

### Proposition 4 (SJR 6)

"The constitutional

amendment authorizing the legislature to require a court to provide notice to the attorney general of a challenge to the constitutionality of a state statute and authorizing the legislature to prescribe a waiting period before the court may enter a judgment holding the statute unconstitutional."

### Proposition 5 (HJR 100)

"The constitutional amendment on professional sports team charitable foundations conducting charitable raffles."

### Proposition 6 (SJR 1)

"The constitutional amendment authorizing the legislature to provide for an exemption from ad valorem taxation of all or part of the market value of the residence homestead of the surviving spouse of a first responder who is killed or fatally injured in the line of duty."

### Proposition 7 (HJR 37)

"The constitutional amendment relating to legislative authority to permit credit unions and other financial institutions to award prizes by lot to promote savings."

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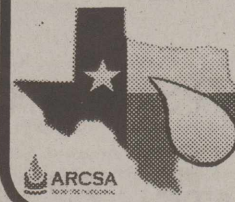
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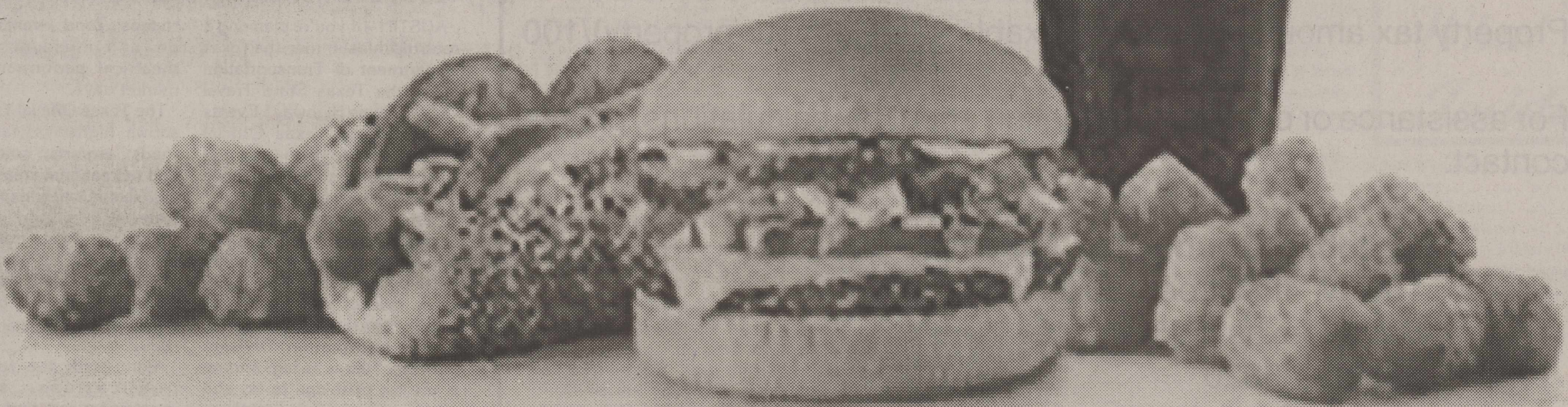


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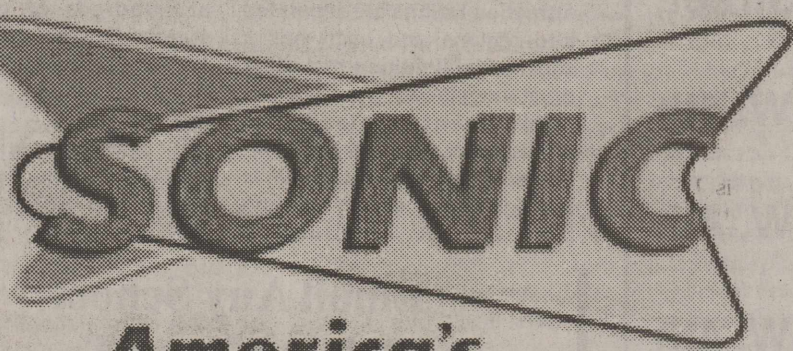
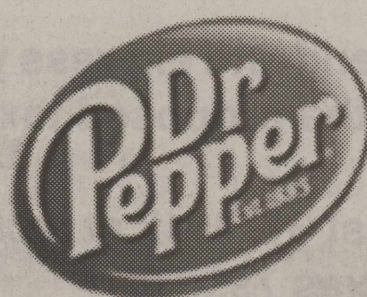
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# Comptroller kicks off tour of Texas manufacturing plants

(AUSTIN) — Texas Comptroller Glenn Hegar kicked off a tour of Texas manufacturing plants today with visits to Samsung in Austin and TECO-Westinghouse Motor Company in Round Rock. During his Good for Texas Tour: Manufacturing Edition, Hegar will tour facilities, meet with local officials and release the results of a study the Comptroller's office recently completed examining the economic impact of the manufacturing industry.

"Texas has an extraordinary manufacturing economy," Hegar said. "The state's resources make it a natural leader in petroleum and chemical manufacturing, our research institutions have fostered computer-related and other high-tech manufacturing, and our business-friendly

environment and skilled labor force have helped create a dynamic automotive manufacturing sector."

The computer and electronics subsector, which includes Samsung, is responsible for \$47.1 billion in annual exports from Texas and more than 300,000 direct and indirect jobs, and contributes \$28.6 billion to the state's gross domestic product (GDP).

"This subsector offers high-paying jobs and provides a considerable portion of the state's exports," Hegar said. "It is, by far, our fastest growing in terms of economic activity, increasing by 584 percent in the last 20 years, and averaging an annual growth rate of 11.3 percent."

The electrical equipment, appliance and component subsector, which includes

TECO-Westinghouse, accounts for \$11.7 billion in annual exports and more than 45,000 Texas direct and indirect jobs, and contributes \$2.5 billion to the state's GDP.

"This subsector comprises several innovative and advanced industries that offer above-average wages," Hegar said.

In all, Texas manufacturers were responsible for 3 million direct and indirect jobs in 2016. The average annual salary for direct jobs is nearly \$75,000. In 2016, Texas manufacturers exported \$210.3 billion in goods and contributed \$225.8 billion to the GDP.

For more information on the tour, including in-depth Texas manufacturing data, visit the Comptroller's website.

## Craft Supplies at the Senior Center

The Cross Plains Senior Center is your one stop shop for fabric (off allcolors and patterns), ribbon, craft books and patterns, lace, rick-rack, embellishments and just about any other thing you might need for quilting and crafts.

Stop by the Center and browse through all the drawers full of measured and packaged materials (thank you Michelle Kaiser).

A donation will be accepted for these items and all proceeds benefit the Cross Plains Senior Center

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## Michael Bob Starr named Global Samaritan Executive Director

ABILENE- Retired Colonel Michael Bob Starr has been selected to be the executive director of Global Samaritan Resources by the organization's board of directors. Starr has been serving as interim executive director since June 12, succeeding Danny Sims who resigned in late May.

Starr recently served as chair of the Global Samaritan Food and Hope event/telethon that raised money and decorated boxes of food to be sent to refugee camps in Kurdistan, Northern Iraq. He was also a panel member on a recent forum telecast on KTAB-TV concerning the worldwide refugee crisis.

"I have long supported Global Samaritan Resources," Starr

said in a statement, "But being immersed in its mission over the last few weeks has profoundly deepened my passion and appreciation for providing humanitarian aid logistics services. I'm very grateful for this opportunity to serve with the incredible staff of Global Samaritan to show God's love not only to our community, but also to people facing hardship, crisis, and disaster around the world."

Tim Surles, board chair, said, "As we hoped, Michael Bob's leadership has been a perfect fit for Global Samaritan Resources. He has already had a lasting, positive impact on our organization and we are excited about where he will lead us in the future."

## Stephen Ministry Care Giving

Stephen Ministry began in 1975 when Dr. Kenneth C. Haugk, a pastor and clinical psychologist in St. Louis, Missouri, trained parishioners to help meet the needs for care in his congregation.

The Ministry was so successful that other congregations became interested, and Haugk founded the Stephen Ministries organization.

Over the years, more than 70,000 clergy and lay leaders have attended a Leader's Training Course. They have come from 12,000 congregations, representing 170 denominations and have come from all 50 states, 10 Canadian provinces, and 29 other countries. These Stephen Leaders, in turn, have trained more than 600,000 church members as Stephen Ministers. More than one and a half million people have received the formal care of a Stephen Minister, and millions more have been touched in an informal way.

One of the highlights of the Leaders Training Course was that people from dozens

of denominations set aside their differences for seven days and became unified in a single mission: how to bring Christ's healing love to hurting individuals.

Ephesians 4:12 says "His purpose was to equip God's people for the work of serving and building up the body of Christ". A Stephen Ministry is trained to come alongside a person in the midst of a crisis and then meets with that person regularly - to listen, to care, to pray, and to encourage for as long after as needed. In Galatians 6:2, St. Paul writes: "Bear one another's burdens and so fulfill the law of Christ." That's exactly what Stephen Ministers do - they bear another person's burdens by walking with him or her through a time of suffering. The ministry is a one on one and in total confidentiality.

For information, or to contact a Stephen Minister, call the United Methodist Church, 725-7377 or LeeAnne Morton 325-220-1716.

## Money Time and Talents are Vital to the Senior Center

Thanks: a grateful feeling or acknowledgment of a benefit, favor, or the like, expressed by words or actions.

The Cross Plains Senior Center is blessed beyond words by the generosity of people, churches and organizations.

Every day we have someone come in with fresh vegetables, money to be used however we need it, or any number of items that can be used to enrich the lives of our seniors.

We also have volunteers that deliver meals each day to our shut-ins at their own expense,

packaging meals, dusting, sweeping, mopping, the list just keeps on going.

With all the cuts in funding for programs for the elderly, these donations of money, time and talents are vital to the success of our program.

Saying thank you is not enough, so we invite you to come by and visit, play games, or just spend time with the people that are reaping the benefits of your gifts and see for yourselves how beneficial your donations are. Cross Plains Senior Center

## Texas travel information helps plan summer road trips-Available free online, by phone or at one of TxDOT's 12 Travel Information Centers

AUSTIN - If you're planning a road trip this summer, the Texas Department of Transportation offers the Texas State Travel Guide, Texas Highways Events Calendar and Texas Official Travel Map to help you get where you're going and have fun along the way.

"Whether you have a particular destination in mind or are just planning to explore Texas, these publications will help you every mile of your trip," said Joan Henderson, TxDOT's Travel Information Division director. "Texas is big, and so is the list of things to do and places to see offered in these publications. Plus, the travel information is free."

The 264-page Travel Guide offers features on history, arts and culture, music, food, shopping, sports, family activities and the outdoors. In addition, you'll find information on more than 450 cities and 3,000 attractions. The city and attraction listings are separated into regions and each has a section highlighting some of the must-see places.

The Events Calendar is published quarterly by season. The summer edition, available now, includes events ranging from festivals and fairs to

rodeos, food events, music, art and museum exhibits, theatrical performances and market days.

The Texas Official Travel Map shows highways, farm/ranch roads, airports, communities and recreational areas to assist travelers in safely exploring the state.

Pick up these publications at any of the 12 Texas Travel Information Centers across the state. They also may be ordered online or by calling (800) 452-9292.

Along with the free travel publications, summer vacationers will find a wealth of destination information and colorful feature stories in Texas Highways magazine. Founded as a travel magazine in 1974, the award-winning Texas Highways today has nearly 400,000 monthly readers across the United States and around the world. Look for Texas Highways magazine at hundreds of newsstands statewide, including H-E-B, Target, Walmart, Randall's and Barnes & Noble, or subscribe online.

For media inquiries, contact TxDOT Media Relations at MediaRelations@txdot.gov or (512) 463-8700.

## NOTICE OF 2017-18 TAX YEAR PROPOSED PROPERTY TAX RATE FOR CALLAHAN COUNTY

A tax rate of \$0.559266 per \$100 valuation has been proposed by the governing body of Callahan County. This rate exceeds the lower of the effective or rollback tax rate, and state law requires that two public hearings be held by the governing body before adopting the proposed tax rate. The governing body of Callahan County proposes to use revenue attributable to the tax rate increase for the purpose of providing services to the citizens and to meet unfunded mandates from the State.

PROPOSED TAX RATE:	\$0.559266 PER \$100
PROCEEDING YEAR'S TAX RATE:	\$0.562146 PER \$100
EFFECTIVE TAX RATE:	\$0.517306 PER \$100
ROLLBACK TAX RATE:	\$0.542624 PER \$100
DEBT SERVICE RATE:	\$0.016642 PER \$100

The effective tax rate is the total tax rate needed to raise the same amount of property tax revenue for Callahan County from the same properties in both the 2016 and the 2017 tax year.

YOUR TAXES OWED UNDER ANY OF THE ABOVE RATES CAN BE CALCULATED AS FOLLOWS:

Property tax amount = (rate) x (taxable value of your property)/100

For assistance or detailed information about tax calculations, please contact:

**Callahan County Tax Assessor-Collector**  
100 W. 4th Street, Suite 101  
Baird, Texas 79504  
325 854-5820  
[tax.info@callahancounty.org](mailto:tax.info@callahancounty.org)

You are urged to attend and express your views at the following public hearings on the proposed tax rate:

**First Hearing: August 31, 2017 at 9:00 a.m. at 100 W. 4th Street, Suite 200, Baird, Texas 79504**

**Second Hearing: September 6, 2017 at 9:00 a.m. at 100 W. 4th Street, Suite 200, Baird, Texas 79504**

**Adopt Budget: September 11, 2017 at 9:30 a.m. at 100 W. 4th Street, Suite 200, Baird, Texas 79504**

**Adopt Tax Rate: September 11, 2017 at 9:30 a.m. at 100 W. 4th Street, Suite 200, Baird, Texas 79504**

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